TODAYS MENU:

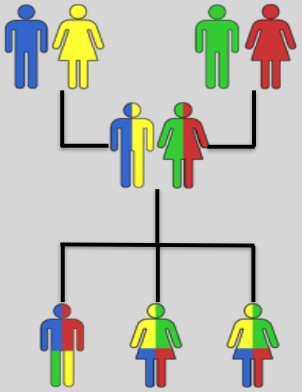
- **What is a Genome?**
  - Genome sequencing and the Human genome project
- **What can we do with a Genome?**
  - Comparative genomics
- **Modern Genome Sequencing**
  - 1st, 2nd and 3rd generation sequencing
- **Workflow for NGS**
  - RNA-Sequencing and Ddiscovering variation

Genetics and Genomics

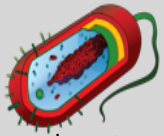
- **Genetics** is primarily the study of individual genes, mutations within those genes, and their inheritance patterns in order to understand specific traits.
- **Genomics** expands upon classical genetics and considers aspects of the entire genome, typically using computer aided approaches.

What is a Genome?

The total genetic material of an organism by which individual traits are encoded, controlled, and ultimately passed on to future generations

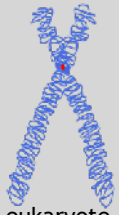


Genomes come in many shapes



prokaryote

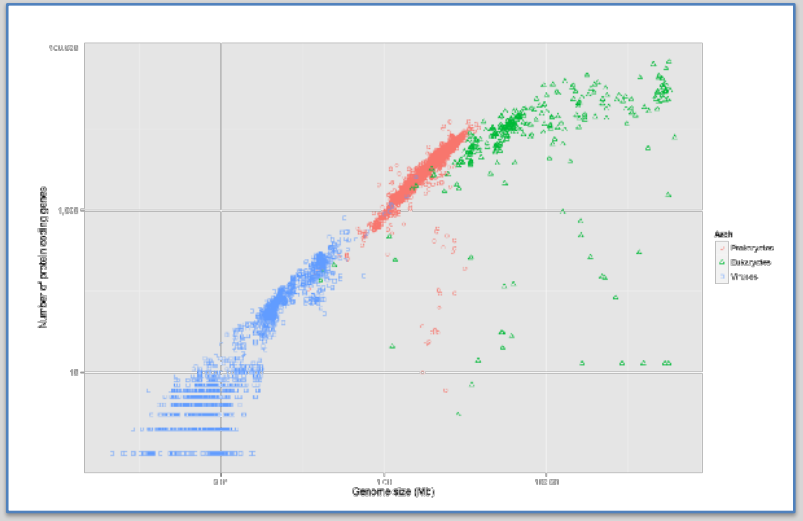
bacteriophage



eukaryote

- Primarily DNA, but can be RNA in the case of some viruses
- Some genomes are circular, others linear
- Can be organized into discrete units (chromosomes) or freestanding molecules (plasmids)

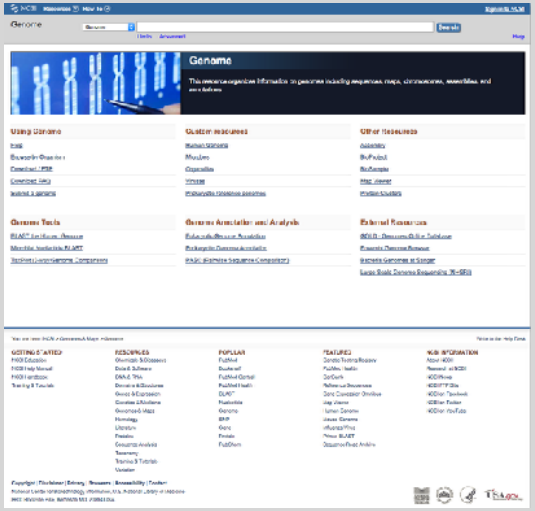
Genomes come in many sizes



Genome Databases

NCBI Genome:

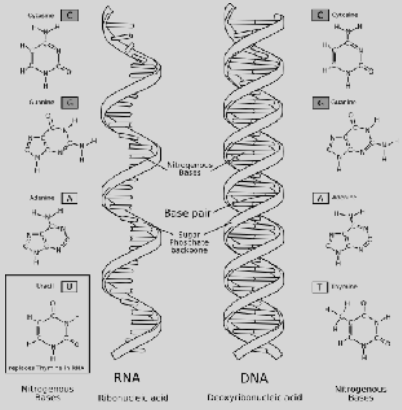
http://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/genome



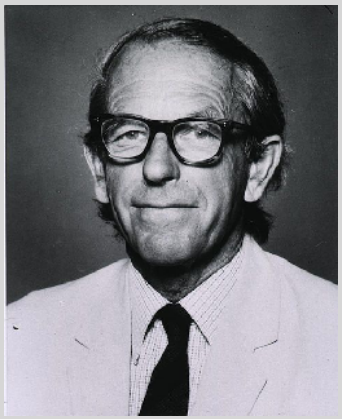
Characteristics of Genomes

- All genomes are made up of nucleic acids
  - DNA and RNA: Adenine (A), Cytosine (C), Guanine (G)
  - DNA Only: Thymine (T)
  - RNA Only: Uracil (U)
- Typically (but not always), DNA genomes are double stranded (double helix) while RNA genomes are single stranded
- Genomes are described as long sequences of nucleic acids, for example:

GGACTTCAGGCAACTGCAACTACCTTAGGA



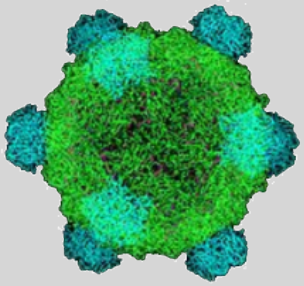
Early Genome Sequencing



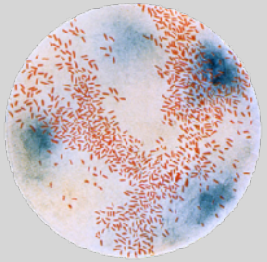
- Chain-termination "Sanger" sequencing was developed in 1977 by Frederick Sanger, colloquially referred to as the "Father of Genomics"
- Sequence reads were typically 750-1000 base pairs in length with an error rate of ~1 / 10000 bases

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Frederick_Sanger

The First Sequenced Genomes



Bacteriophage φ-X174
- Completed in 1977
- 5,386 base pairs, ssDNA
- 11 genes



Haemophilus influenzae
- Completed in 1995
- 1,830,140 base pairs, dsDNA
- 1740 genes

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Phi_X_174

http://phil.cdc.gov/

The Human Genome Project

- The Human Genome Project (HGP) was an international, public consortium that began in 1990
  - Initiated by James Watson
  - Primarily led by Francis Collins
  - Eventual Cost: $2.7 Billion
- Celera Genomics was a private corporation that started in 1998
  - Headed by Craig Venter
  - Eventual Cost: $300 Million
- Both initiatives released initial drafts of the human genome in 2001
  - ~3.2 Billion base pairs, dsDNA
  - 22 autosomes, 2 sex chromosomes
  - ~20,000 genes

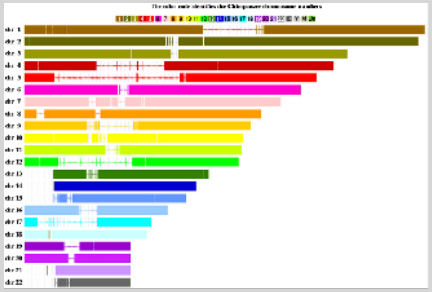
Jane Ades, Courtesy: National Human Genome Research Institute.

What can we do with a Genome?

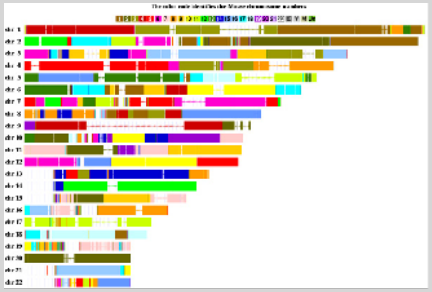
- We can *compare* genomes, both within and between species, to identify regions of variation and of conservation
- We can *model* genomes, to find interesting patterns reflecting functional characteristics
- We can *edit* genomes, to add, remove, or modify genes and other regions for adjusting individual traits

Comparative Genomics

~6-7 million years



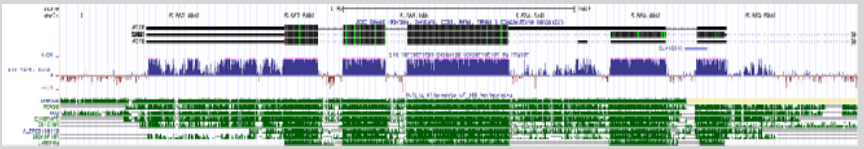
~60-70 million years



http://cbse.soe.ucsc.edu/research/comp_genomics/human_chimp_mouse

Conservation Suggests Function

- Functional regions of the genome tend to mutate slower than nonfunctional regions due to selective pressures
- Comparing genomes can therefore indicate segments of high similarity that have remained conserved across species as candidate genes or regulatory regions



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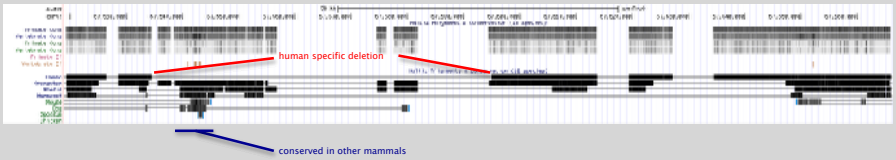
Conservation Indicates Loss

- Comparing genomes allows us to also see what we have lost over evolutionary time
- A model example of this is the loss of “penile spines” in the human lineage due to a human-specific deletion of an enhancer for the androgen receptor gene (McLean et al, Nature, 2011)



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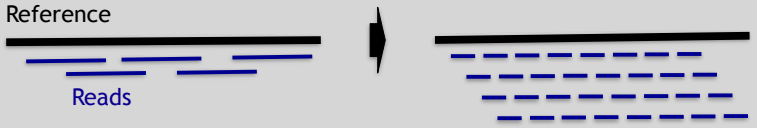
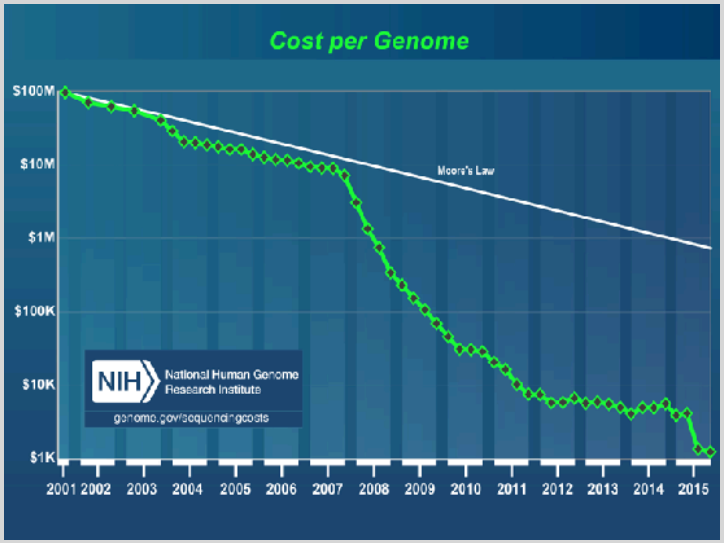
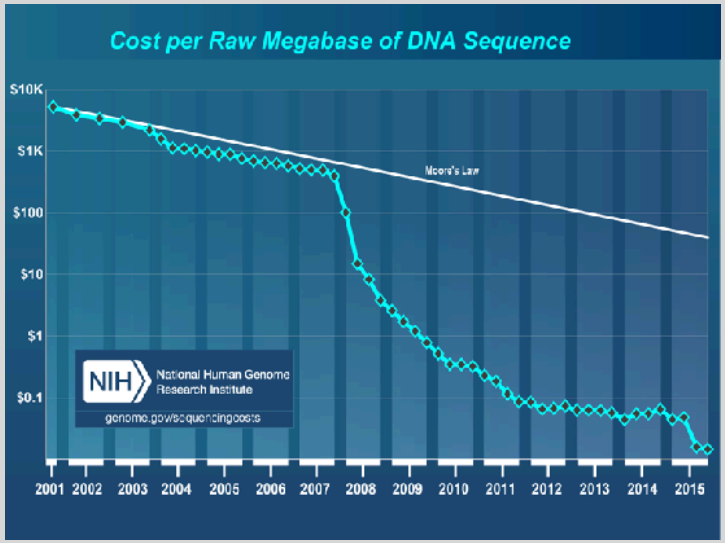
Modern Genome Sequencing

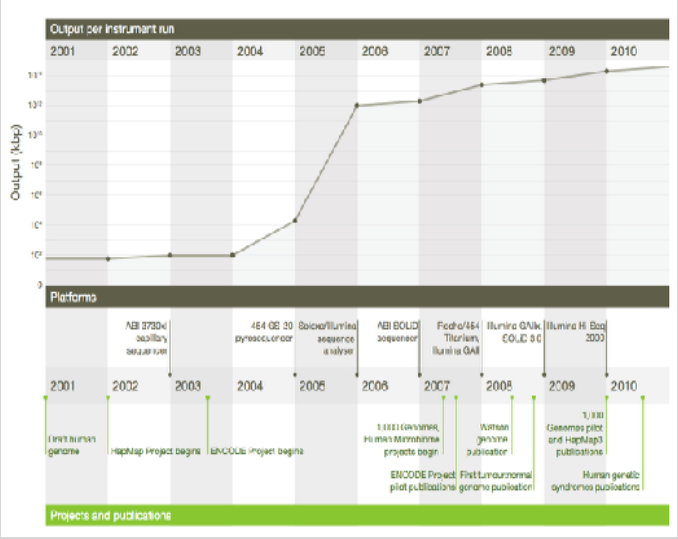
- Next Generation Sequencing (NGS) technologies have resulted in a paradigm shift from long reads at low coverage to short reads at high coverage
- This provides numerous opportunities for new and expanded genomic applications







Timeline of Sequencing Capacity



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DNA Sequencing Concepts

- **Sequencing by Synthesis**: Uses a polymerase to incorporate and assess nucleotides to a primer sequence
  - 1 nucleotide at a time
- **Sequencing by Ligation**: Uses a ligase to attach hybridized sequences to a primer sequence
  - 1 or more nucleotides at a time (e.g. dibase)

Modern NGS Sequencing Platforms

	Roche/454	Life Technologies SOLiD	Illumina Hi Seq 2000
Library amplification method	emPCR* on bead surface	emPCR* on bead surface	Enzymatic amplification on glass surface
Sequencing method	Polymerase-mediated incorporation of unlabelled nucleotides	Ligase-mediated addition of 2-base encoded fluorescent oligonucleotides	Polymerase- mediated incorporation of end-blocked fluorescent nucleotides
Detection method	Light emitted from secondary reactions initiated by release of PPi	Fluorescent emission from ligated dye-labelled oligonucleotides	Fluorescent emission from incorporated dye-labelled nucleotides
Post incorporation method	NA (unlabelled nucleotides are added in base-specific fashion, followed by detection)	Chemical cleavage removes fluorescent dye and 3′ end of oligonucleotide	Chemical cleavage of fluorescent dye and 3′ blocking group
Error model	Substitution errors rare, insertion/deletion errors at homopolymers	End of read substitution errors	End of read substitution errors
Read length (fragment/paired end)	400 bp/variable length mate pairs	75 bp/50+25 bp	150 bp/100+100 bp

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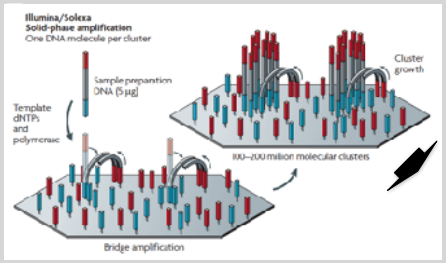
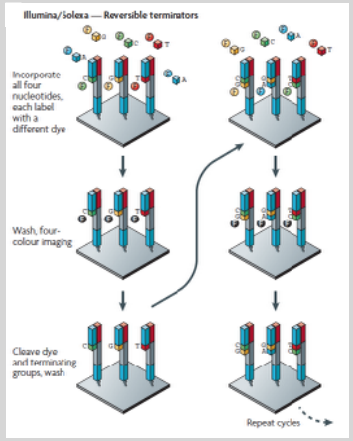
Illumina – Reversible terminators





(other sequencing platforms summarized at end of slide set)

Metzker, ML (2010), *Nat. Rev. Genet*, 11, pp. 31-46

Illumina Sequencing - Video

https://www.youtube.com/watch?src_vid=womKfikWlxM&v=fCd6B5HRaZ8

NGS Sequencing Terminology

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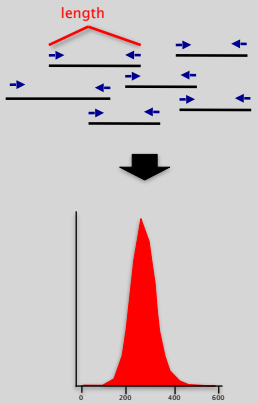

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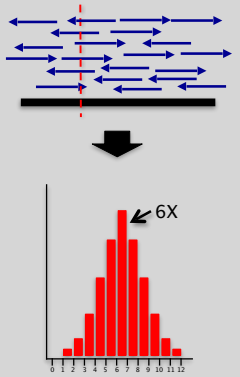
Sequence Coverage



Base coverage by sequence

Summary: "Generations" of DNA Sequencing

	First generation	Second generation[6]	Third generation[8]
Fundamental technology	Size separation of specifically end-labeled DNA fragments, produced by SBS or degradation	Wash-and-scan SBS	SBS, by degradation, or direct physical inspection of the DNA molecule
Resolution	Averaged across many copies of the DNA molecule being sequenced	Averaged across many copies of the DNA molecule being sequenced	Single-molecule resolution
Current raw read accuracy	High	High	Moderate
Current read length	Moderate (~800–1000 bp)	Short, generally much shorter than Sanger sequencing	Long, 1000 bp and longer in commercial systems
Current throughput	Low	High	Moderate
Current cost	High cost per base Low cost per run	Low cost per base High cost per run	Low-to-moderate cost per base Low cost per run
RNA-sequencing method	cDNA sequencing	cDNA sequencing	Direct RNA sequencing and cDNA sequencing
Time from start of sequencing reaction to result	Hours	Days	Hours
Sample preparation	Moderately complex, PCR amplification not required	Complex, PCR amplification required	Ranges from complex to very simple depending on technology
Data analysis	Routine	Complex because of large data volumes and because short reads complicate assembly and alignment algorithms	Complex because of large data volumes and because technologies yield new types of information and new signal processing challenges
Primary results	Base calls with quality values	Base calls with quality values	Base calls with quality values, potentially other base information such as kinetics

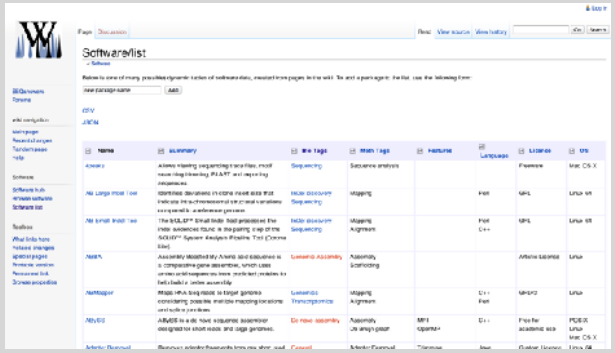
Schadt, EE et al (2010), *Hum. Mol. Biol.*, 19(R2), pp. R227-R240

Third Generation Sequencing

- Currently in active development
- Hard to define what "3rd" generation means
- Typical characteristics:
  - Long (1,000bp+) sequence reads
  - Single molecule (no amplification step)
  - Often associated with nanopore technology
    - But not necessarily!

SeqAnswers Wiki

A good repository of analysis software can be found at http://seqanswers.com/wiki/Software/list



Raw data usually in **FASTQ format**

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+
AAAAAEEEEEEEEEEE//AEEEAEEEEEEEEEEE/EE/<<EE/AAEEAEE///EEEEAEEEAEA<
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Each sequencing "read" consists of 4 lines of data :

1. The first line (which always starts with '@') is a unique ID for the sequence that follows
2. The second line contains the bases called for the sequenced fragment
3. The third line is always a "+" character
4. The forth line contains the quality scores for each base in the sequenced fragment

Generic Workflow for NGS

- There are many different ways to analyze sequences generated from NGS, depending on the specific question you are investigating
- For the analysis of genomic sequence data, a typical (if generic) approach is as follows

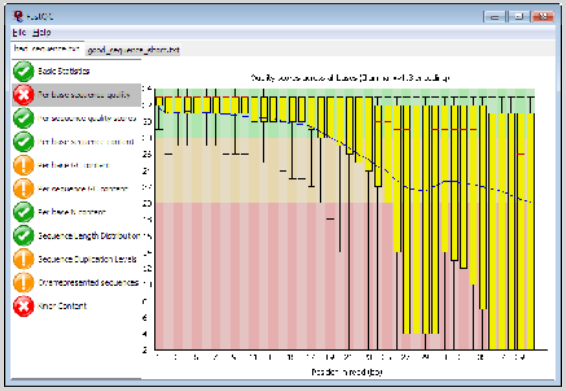
Quality Control (QC)

- Quality checks of raw sequence data are *very* important
- Common problems can include:
  - Sample mix-up
  - Sample contamination
  - Machine interruption
  - DNA quality
- It is crucial that investigators examine their sequences upon first receipt before any downstream analysis is conducted

FASTQC

FASTQC is one approach which provides a visual interpretation of the raw sequence reads

- http://www.bioinformatics.babraham.ac.uk/projects/fastqc/



Sequence Alignment

- Once sequence quality has been assessed, the next step is to align the sequence to a reference genome
- There are *many* distinct tools for doing this; which one you choose is often a reflection of your specific experiment and personal preference

BWA	BarraCUDA	RMAP
Bowtie	CASHx	SSAHA
SOAP2	GSNAP	etc
Novoalign	Mosiak	
mr/mrsFast	Stampy	
Eland	SHRiMP	
Blat	SeqMap	
Bfast	SLIDER	

SAM Format

- **<u>S</u>**equence **<u>A</u>**lignment/**<u>M</u>**ap (**SAM**) format is the almost-universal sequence alignment format for NGS
  - binary version is BAM
- It consists of a header section (lines start with ‘@’) and an alignment section
- The official specification can be found here:
  - http://samtools.sourceforge.net/SAM1.pdf

Example SAM File

Header section

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Alignment section

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http://genome.sph.umich.edu/wiki/SAM

SAM Utilities

- **<u>Samtools</u>** is a common toolkit for analyzing and manipulating files in SAM/BAM format
  - http://samtools.sourceforge.net/
- **<u>Picard</u>** is a another set of utilities that can used to manipulate and modify SAM files
  - http://picard.sourceforge.net/
- These can be used for viewing, parsing, sorting, and filtering SAM files as well as adding new information (e.g. Read Groups)

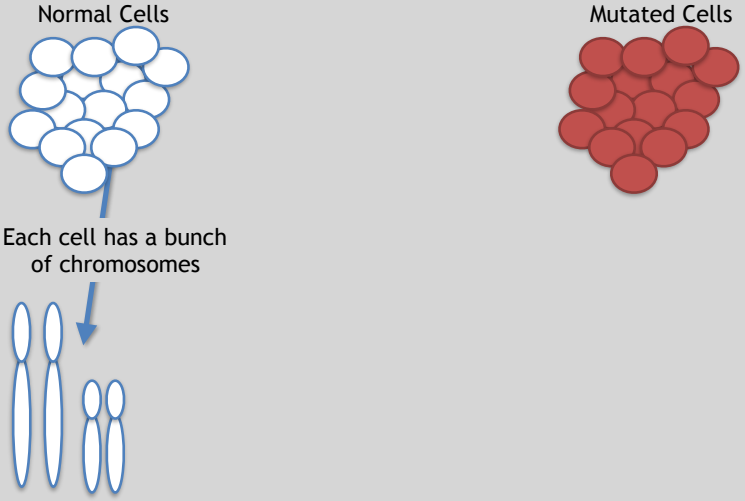
Genome Analysis Toolkit (**GATK**)

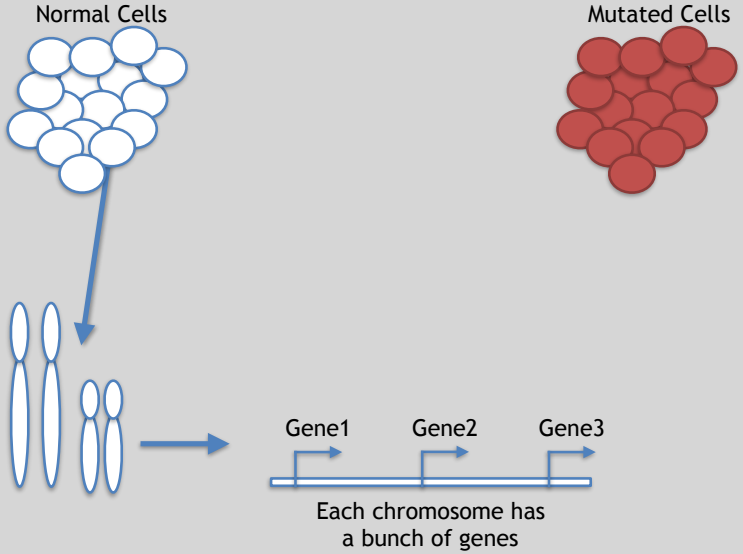
- Developed in part to aid in the analysis of 1000 Genomes Project data
- Includes many tools for manipulating, filtering, and utilizing next generation sequence data
- http://www.broadinstitute.org/gatk/

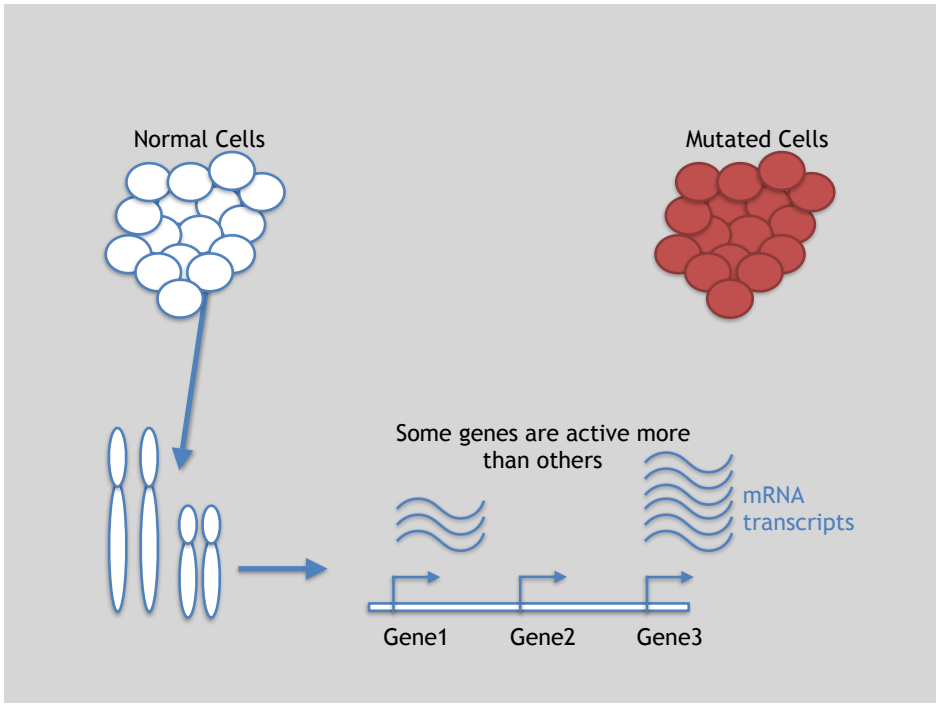
RNA Sequencing

The absolute basics

- The mutated cells behave differently than the normal cells
- We want to know what genetic mechanism is causing the difference
- One way to address this is to examine differences in gene expression via RNA sequencing…



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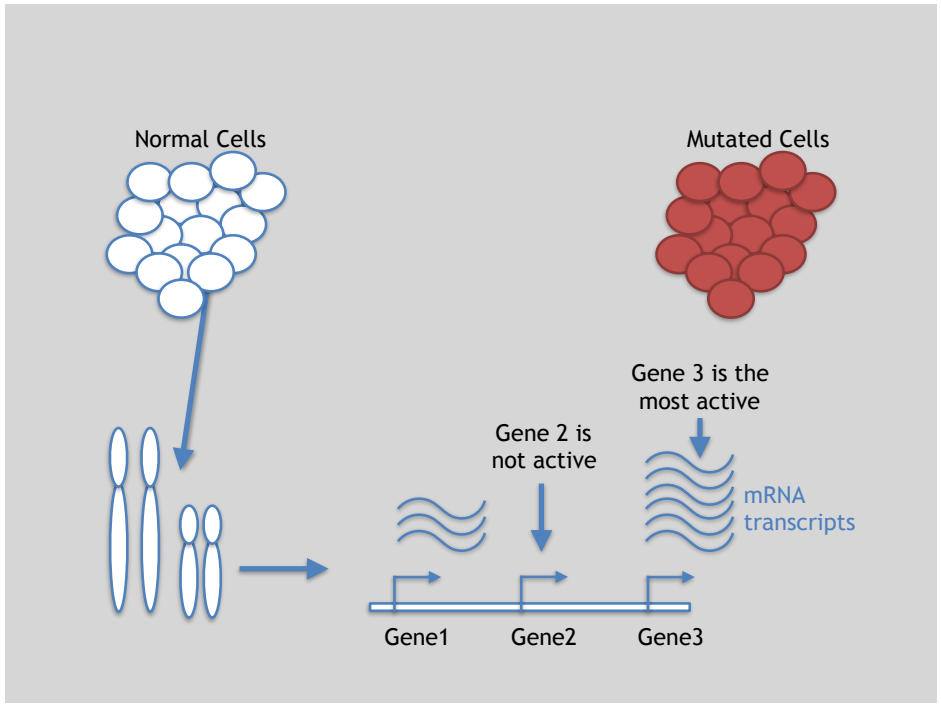
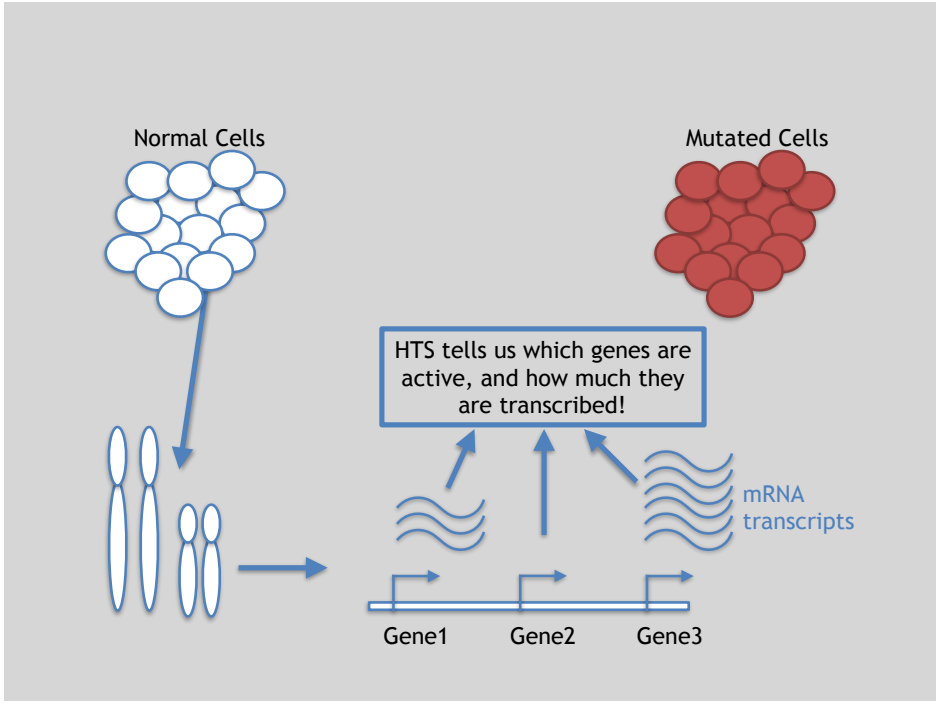
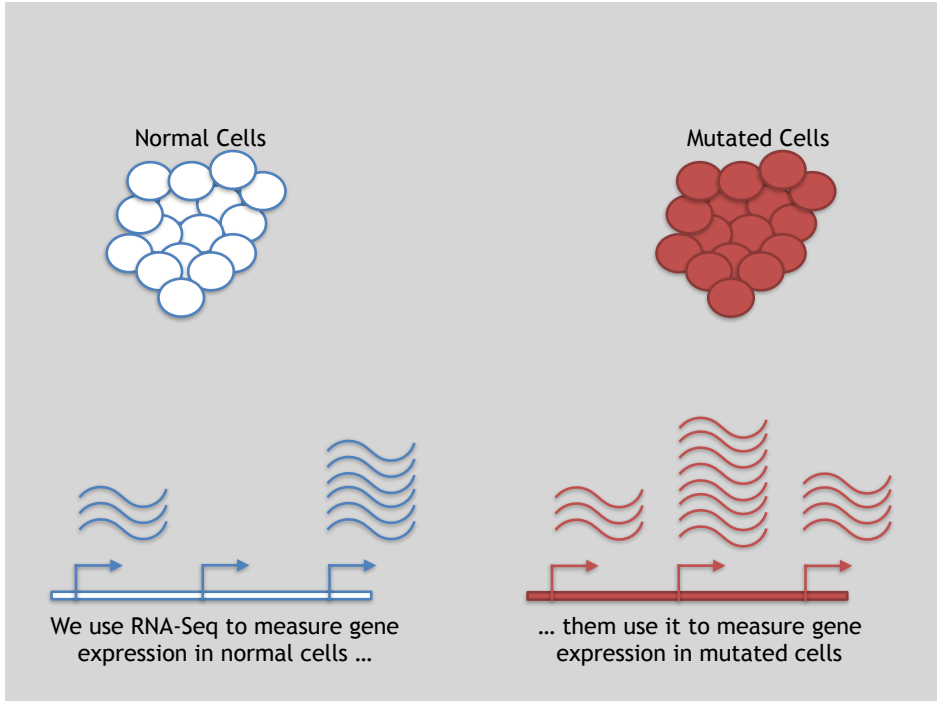
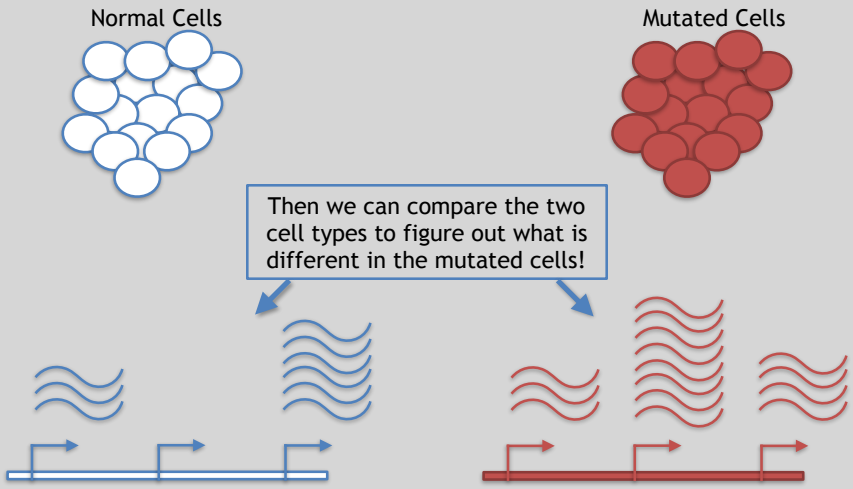
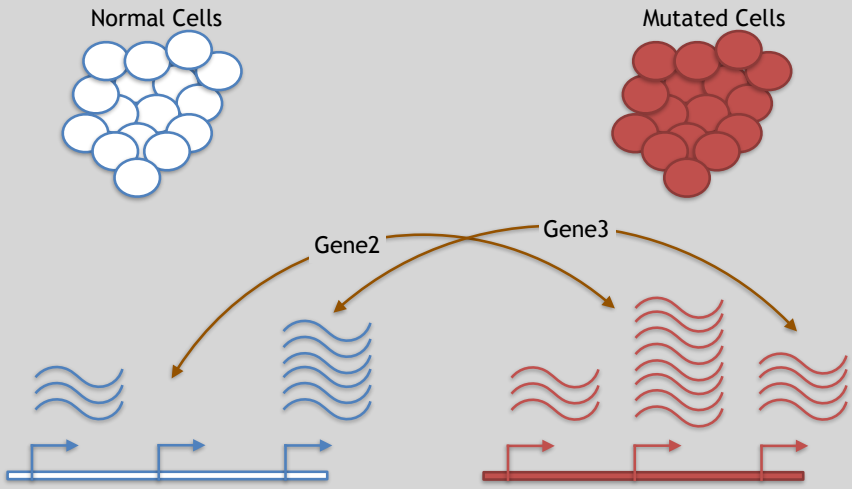
Mutated Cells
Some genes are active more than others
mRNA transcripts
Gene1
Gene2
Gene3


Normal Cells
Mutated Cells
Gene 3 is the most active
Gene 2 is not active
mRNA transcripts
Gene1
Gene2
Gene3


Normal Cells
Mutated Cells
HTS tells us which genes are active, and how much they are transcribed!
mRNA transcripts
Gene1
Gene2
Gene3


Normal Cells
Mutated Cells
We use RNA-Seq to measure gene expression in normal cells …
… them use it to measure gene expression in mutated cells





Differences apparent for Gene 2
and to a lesser extent Gene 3

3 Main Steps for RNA-Seq:

1) **Prepare a sequencing library**
   (RNA to cDNA conversion via reverse transcription)

2) **Sequence**
   (Using the same technologies as DNA sequencing)

3) **Data analysis**
   (Often the major bottleneck to overall success!)

We will discuss each of these steps in detail
(particularly the 3rd) next day!

Lets skip ahead to the start of step 3

Gene	WT-1	WT-2	WT-3	…
A1BG	30	5	13	…
AS1	24	10	18	…
…	…	…	…	…

We **sequenced**, **aligned**, **counted** the reads per gene in each sample and **normalized** to arrive at our data matrix

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Just replace the gene names with “x” and “y” and plot!

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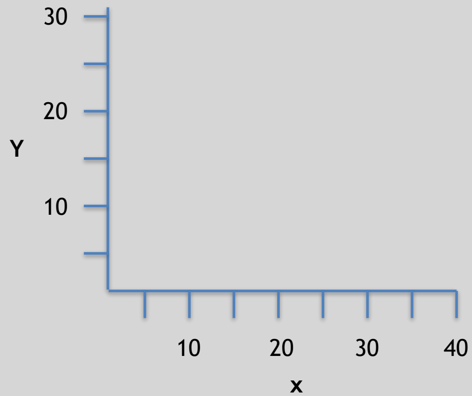
x	30	5	13
y	24	10	18



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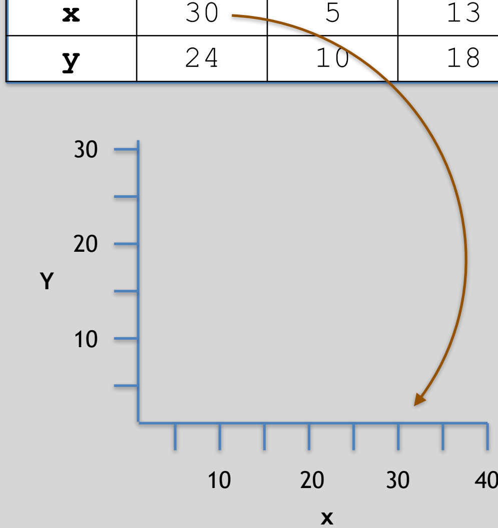

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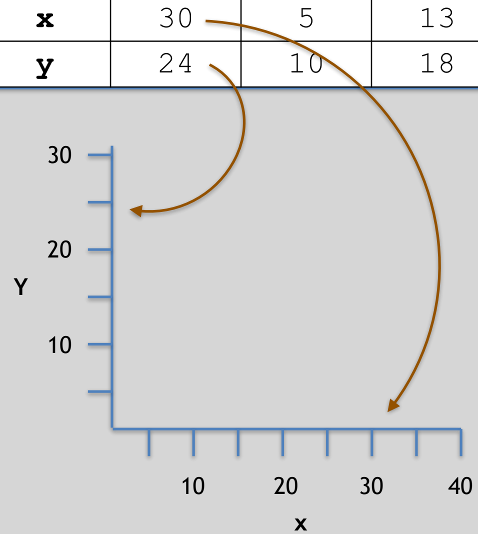

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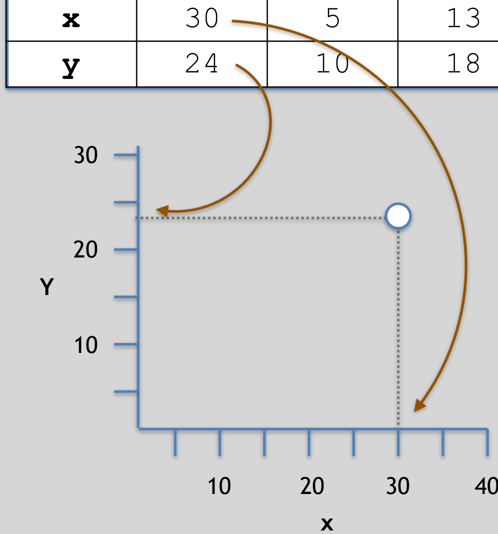

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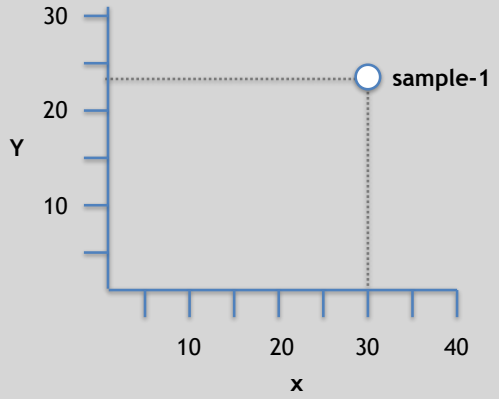

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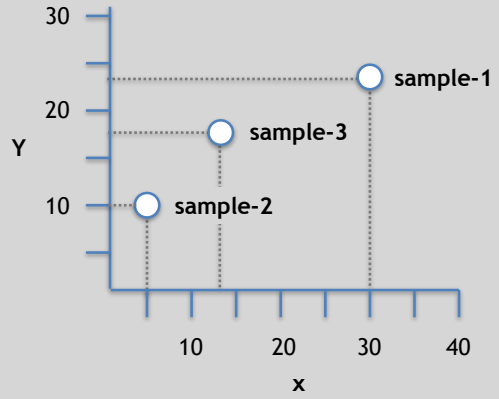


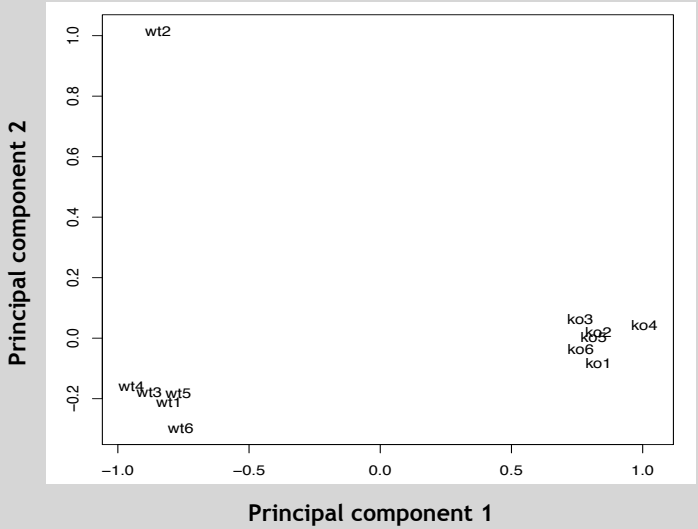
But we have 20,000 genes…

So we would need a graph with 20,000 axes to plot the data!

So we use PCA (principal component analysis) or something like it to plot this data.

PCA reduces the number of axes you need to display the important aspects of the data.

This is a PCA plot from a real RNA-seq experiment done on neural cells. The “wt” samples are “normal”. The “ko” samples are samples that were mutated.



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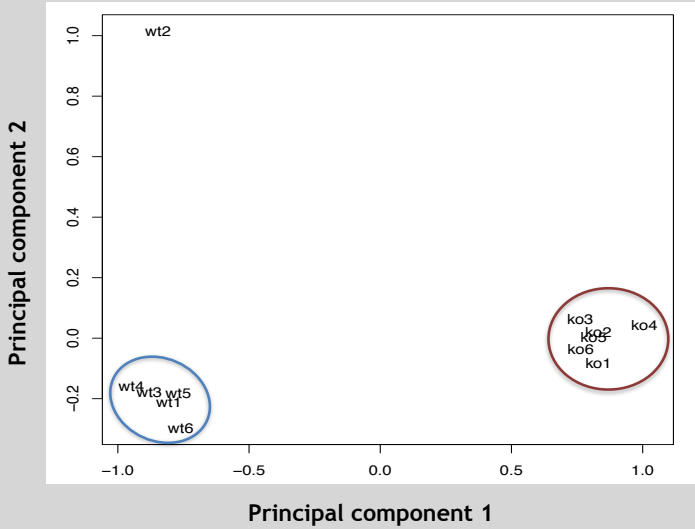


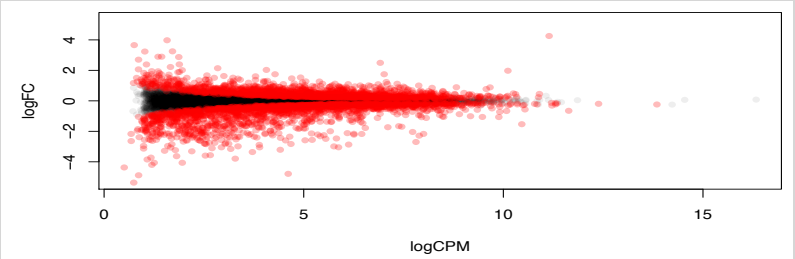
Plotting the data:

(1) Tells us if we can expect to find some interesting differences

(2) Tells us if we should exclude some samples from any down stream analysis.

Step 2: Identify differentially expressed genes between the “normal” and “mutant” samples

This is typically done using R with either the **edgeR** or **DESeq2** packages and the results are generally displayed using graphs like this one



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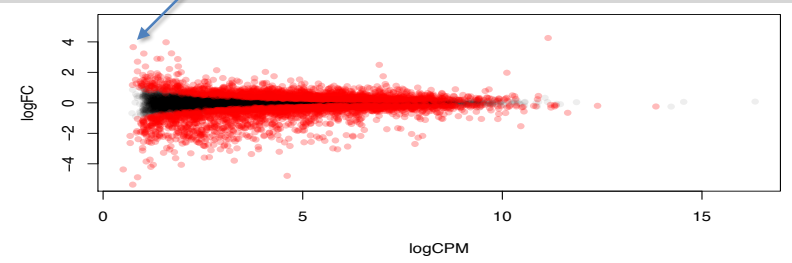
A Red dot is a gene that is different between “normal” and “mutant” samples (black dots are the same).



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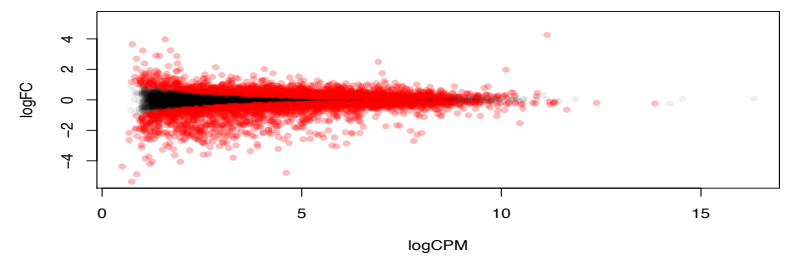

The **x axis** tells us how much each gene is transcribed (CPM stands for Counts Per Million)

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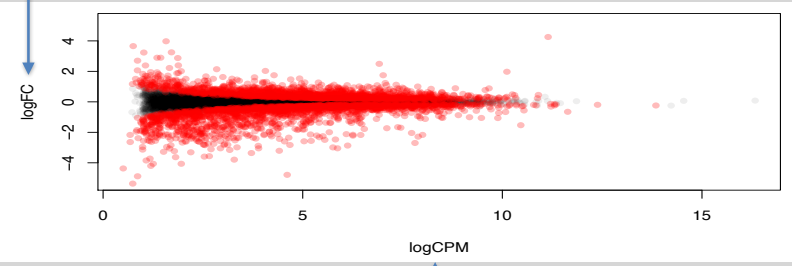
The **y axis** tells you how big the relative difference is between “normal” and “mutant” (FC stands for Fold change)



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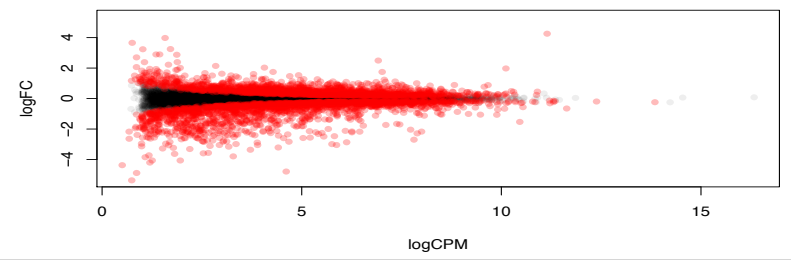
Step 3 and beyond: We’ve identified interesting genes, now what?

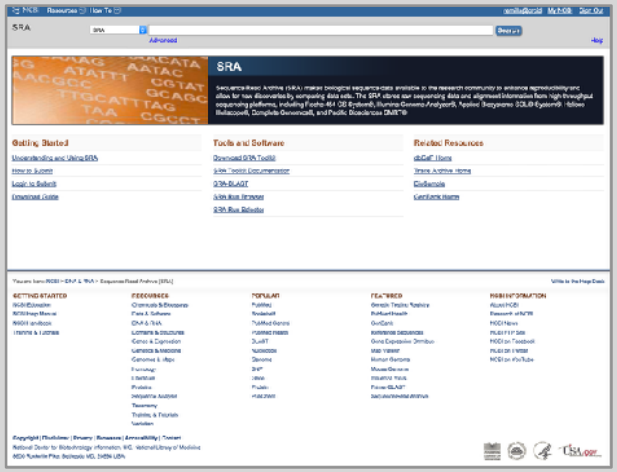


1. If you know what you’re looking for, you can see if the experiment validated your hypothesis.

2. If you don’t know what you’re looking for, you can see if certain pathways are enriched in either the normal or mutant gene sets.

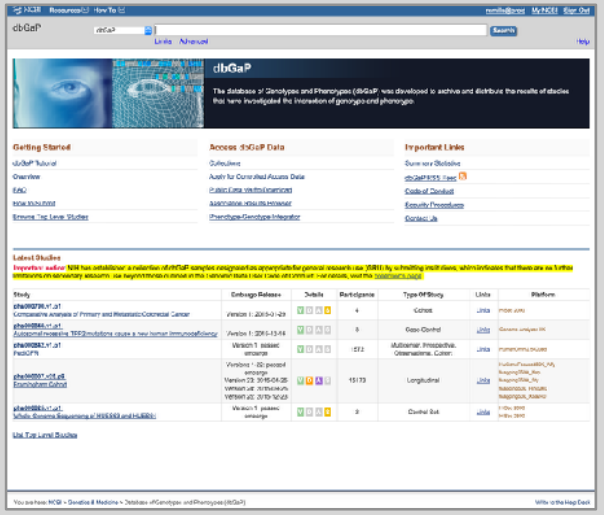
DNA- and RNA-Seq Databases

NCBI Short Read Archive (SRA):
http://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/sra



Protected Data - dbGaP

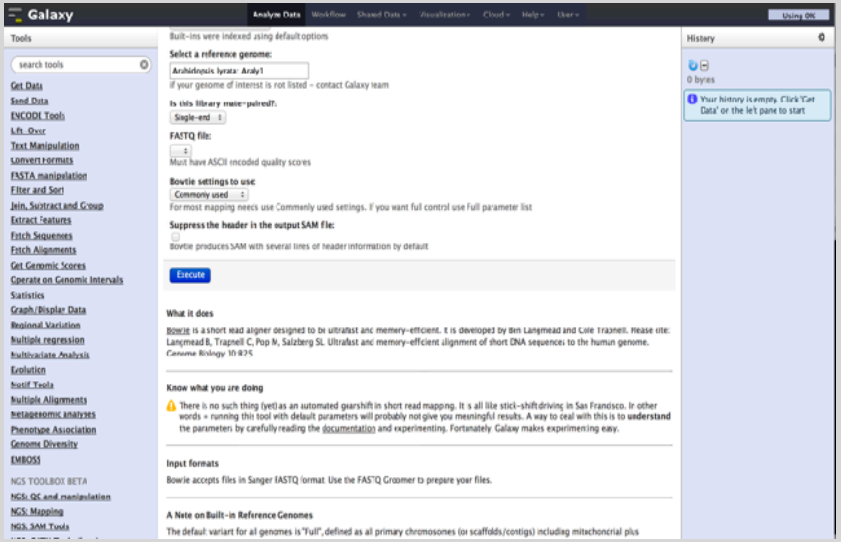
NCBI Database of Genotypes and Phenotypes (dbGaP):
http://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/sra



Today we will use **Galaxy**

- Galaxy is a useful web-based application for the manipulation of NGS data sets
  - https://main.g2.bx.psu.edu/
- It contains many common analysis utilities and provides a somewhat standardized approach to analyzing NGS data
- However, it requires the uploading of data to their server, which typically precludes its application to protected data sets (e.g. human samples) - Or you have to build your own server
- You are also limited to only those tools which have been incorporated into their system

Galaxy Website



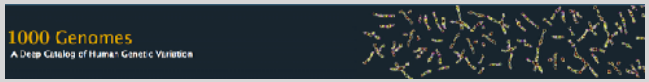
Hands-on Time!

https://bioboot.github.io/bggn213_f17/class-material/lecture14-BGGN213_F17.pdf

Additional Slides follow for Reference

Population Scale Analysis

We can now begin to assess genetic differences on a very large scale, both as naturally occurring variation in human and non-human populations as well somatically within tumors



"Variety's the very spice of life"

–William Cowper, 1785

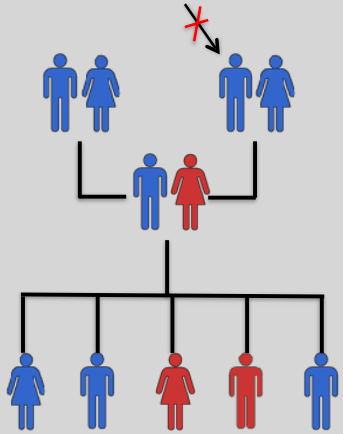
"Variation is the spice of life"

–Kruglyak & Nickerson, 2001

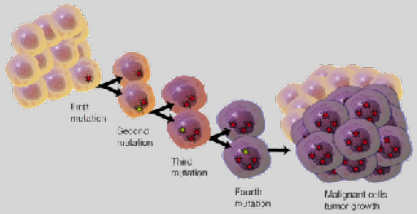
- While the sequencing of the human genome was a great milestone, the DNA from a single person is not representative of the millions of potential differences that can occur between individuals
- These unknown genetic variants could be the cause of many phenotypes such as differing morphology, susceptibility to disease, or be completely benign.

Germline Variation

- Mutations in the germline are passed along to offspring and are present in the DNA over every cell
- In animals, these typically occur in meiosis during gamete differentiation



Somatic Variation



- Mutations in non-germline cells that are not passed along to offspring
- Can occur during mitosis or from the environment itself
- Are an integral part in tumor progression and evolution

Darryl Leja, Courtesy: National Human Genome Research Institute.

Mutation vs Polymorphism

- A mutation must persist to some extent within a population to be considered polymorphic
  - >1% frequency is often used
- Germline mutations that are not polymorphic are considered rare variants

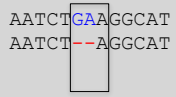
"From the standpoint of the neutral theory, the rare variant alleles are simple those alleles whose frequencies within a species happen to be in a low-frequency range (0,q), whereas polymorphic alleles are those whose frequencies happen to be in the higher-frequency range (q, 1-q), where I arbitrarily take q = 0.01. Both represent a phase of molecular evolution."

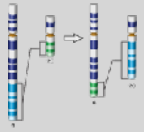
-Motoo Kimura

Kimura M (1983) Mol. Biol. Evol., 1(1), pp. 84-93

Types of Genomic Variation

- Single Nucleotide Polymorphisms (SNPs) - mutations of one nucleotide to another
- Insertion/Deletion Polymorphisms (INDELs) - small mutations removing or adding one or more nucleotides at a particular locus
- Structural Variation (SVs) - medium to large sized rearrangements of chromosomal DNA





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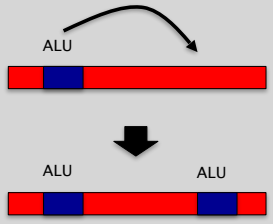
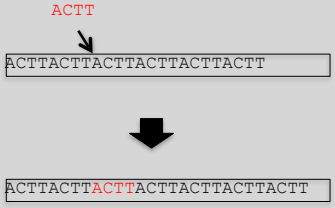
Variant Subtypes: Repetitive Elements

Mobile Elements / Retrotransposons

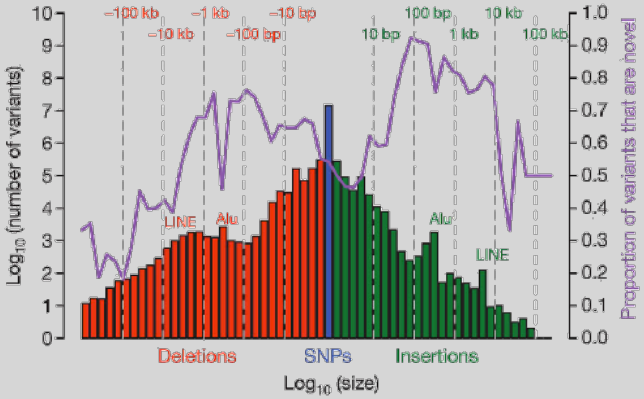


(in humans, primarily ALU, LINE, and SVA)

Repeat Expansions



Variant Length Distribution



1000 Genomes Project, Nature, 2010

Differences Between Individuals

The average number of genetic differences in the germline between two random humans can be broken down as follows:

- 3,600,000 single nucleotide differences
- 344,000 small insertion and deletions
- 1,000 larger deletion and duplications

Numbers change depending on ancestry!

1000 Genomes Project, Nature, 2012

Discovering Variation: SNPs and INDELs

- Small variants require the use of sequence data to initially be discovered
- Most approaches align sequences to a reference genome to identify differing positions
- The amount of DNA sequenced is proportional to the number of times a region is covered by a sequence read
  - More sequence coverage equates to more support for a candidate variant site

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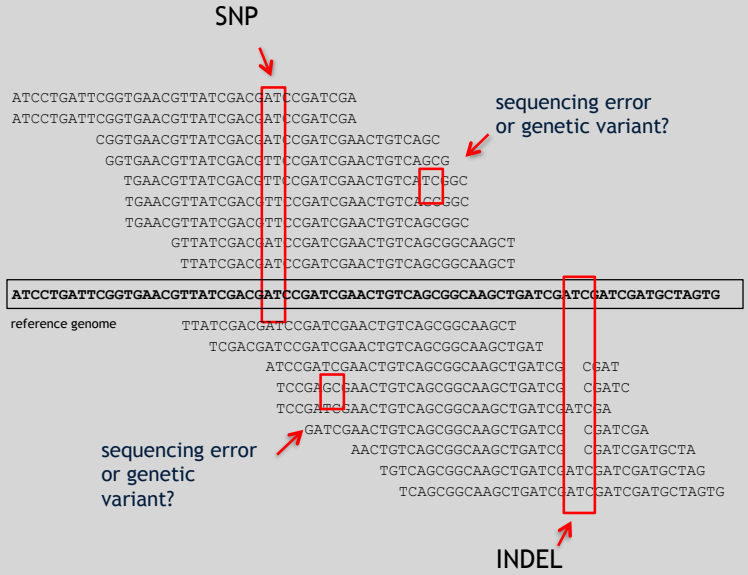
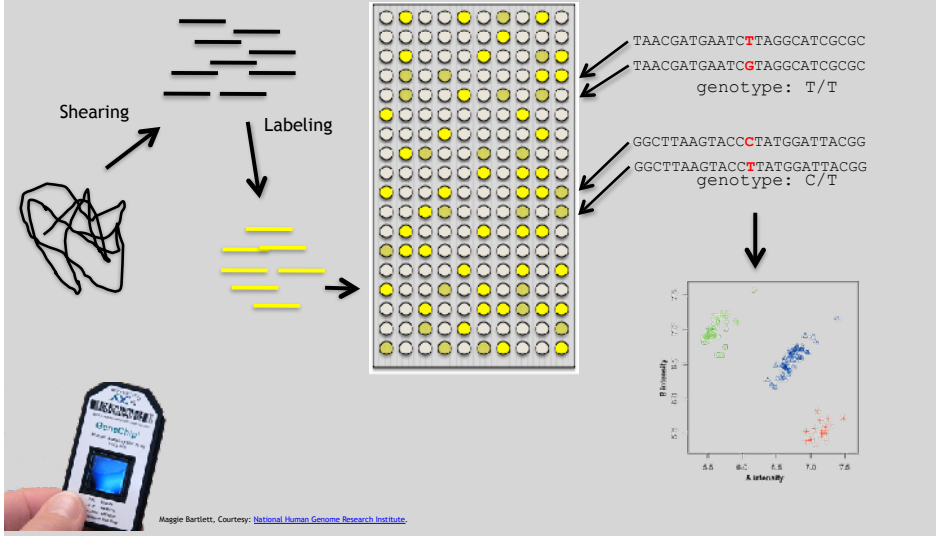


Genotyping Small Variants

- Once discovered, oligonucleotide probes can be generated with each individual allele of a variant of interest
- A large number can then be assessed simultaneously on microarrays to detect which combination of alleles is present in a sample

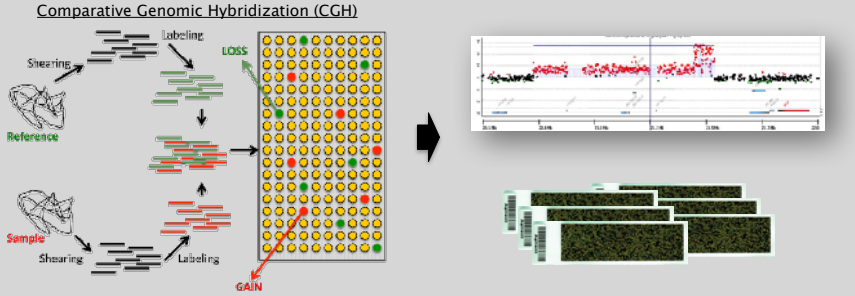
SNP Microarrays



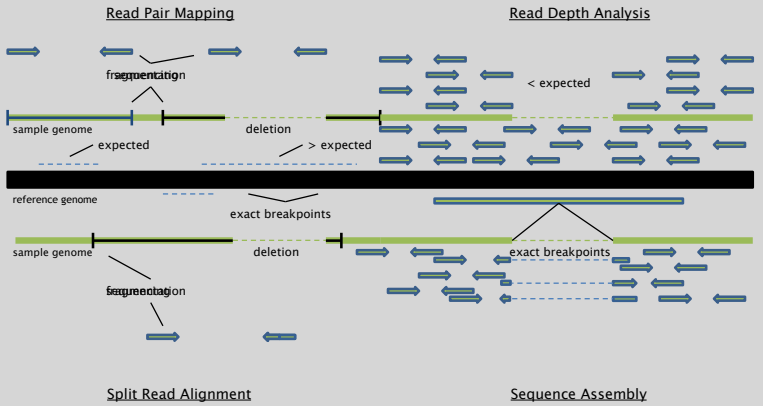
Discovering Variation: SVs

- Structural variants can be discovered by both sequence and microarray approaches
- Microarrays can only detect genomic imbalances, specifically copy number variants (CNVs)
- Sequence based approaches can, in principle, identify all types of structural rearrangements

Microarray-based CNV Discovery



Sequenced-based SV Discovery



Variant Databases and Formats

- dbSNP – repository for SNP and small INDELs
  - http://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/SNP/
- VCF – variant call format for reporting variation
  - https://github.com/samtools/hts-specs

VCF Format Example

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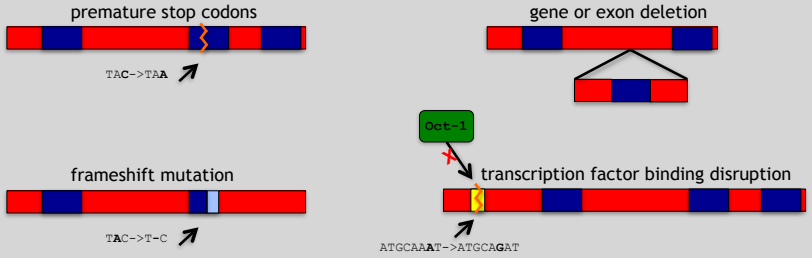
Impact of Genetic Variation

There are numerous ways genetic variation can exhibit functional effects



Variant Annotation

- Variants are *annotated* based on their potential functional impact
- For variants falling inside genes, there are a number of software packages that can be used to quickly determine which may have a functional role (missense/ nonsense mutations, splice site disruption, etc)
- A few examples are:
  - ANNOVAR (http://www.openbioinformatics.org/annovar/)
  - VAAST (http://www.yandell-lab.org/software/vaast.html)
  - VEP (http://http://grch37.ensembl.org/Homo_sapiens/Tools/VEP)
  - SeattleSeq (http://snp.gs.washington.edu/SeattleSeqAnnotation134/)
  - snpEff (http://snpeff.sourceforge.net/)

Variant Annotation Classes

High Impact
- exon_deleted
- frame_shift
- splice_acceptor
- splice_donor
- start_loss
- stop_gain
- stop_loss
- non_synonymous_start
- transcript_codon_change

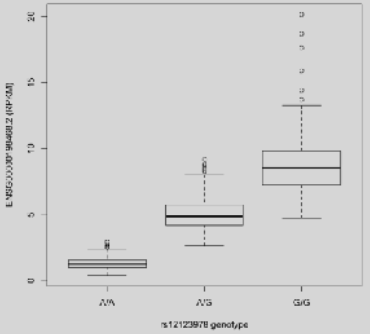
Medium Impact
- non_syn_coding
- inframe_codon_gain
- inframe_codon_loss
- inframe_codon_change
- codon_change_del
- codon_change_ins
- UTR_5_del
- UTR_3_del
- other_splice_variant
- mature_miRNA
- regulatory_region
- TF_binding_site
- regulatory_region_ablation
- regulatory_region_amplification
- TFBS_ablation
- TFBS_amplification

Low Impact
- synonymous_stop
- synonymous_coding
- UTR_5_prime
- UTR_3_prime
- intron
- CDS
- upstream
- downstream
- intergenic
- intragenic
- gene
- transcript
- exon
- start_gain
- synonymous_start
- intron_conserved
- nc_transcript
- NMD_transcript
- transcript_codon_change
- incomplete_terminal_codon
- nc_exon
- transcript_ablation
- transcript_amplification
- feature elongation
- feature truncation

GEMINI, http://gemini.readthedocs.org/

Variation and Gene Expression

- Expression quantitative trait loci (eQTLs) are regions of the genome that are associated with expression levels of genes
- These regions can be nearby (cis) or far away (trans) from the genes that they affect
- Genetic variants in eQTL regions are typically responsible through changes to regulatory elements



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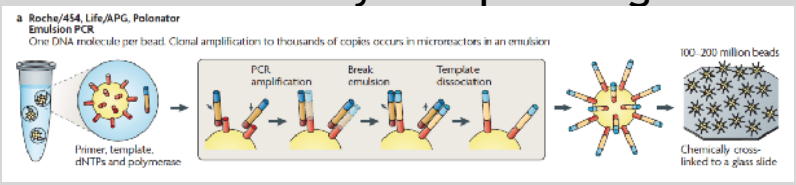
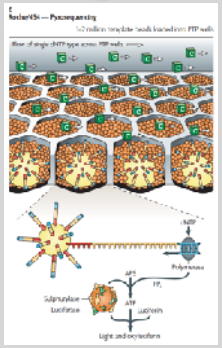
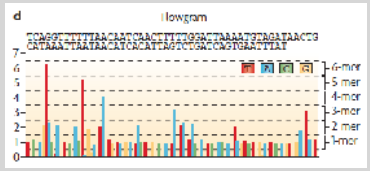
Additional Reference Slides on Sequencing Methods

Roche 454 - Pyrosequencing







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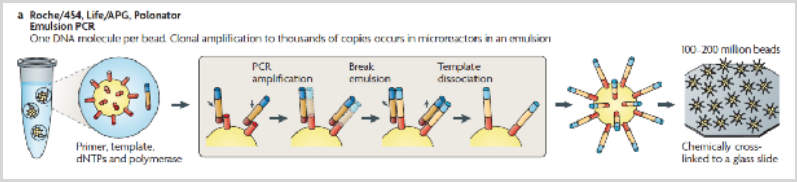

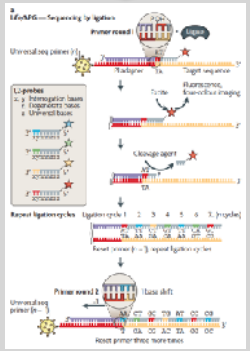

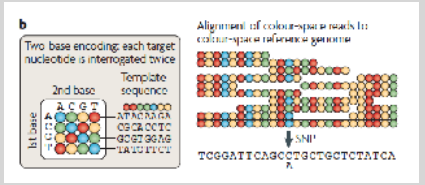

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Complete Genomics – Nanoball Sequencing

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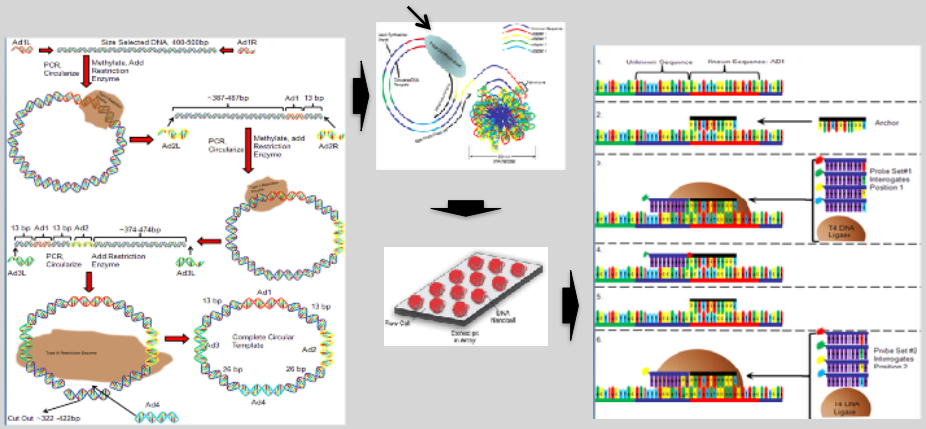

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"Benchtop" Sequencers

- Lower cost, lower throughput alternative for smaller scale projects
- Currently three significant platforms
  - Roche 454 GS Junior
  - Life Technology Ion Torrent
    - Personal Genome Machine (PGM)
    - Proton
  - Illumina MiSeq

Platform	List price	Approximate cost per run	Minimum throughput (read length)	Run time	Cost/Mb	Mb/h
454 GS Junior	$108,000	$1,100	35 Mb (400 bases)	8 h	$31	4.4
Ion Torrent PGM						
(314 chip)	$80,490[a,b]	$225[c]	10 Mb (100 bases)	3 h	$22.5	3.3
(316 chip)		$425	100 Mb[d] (100 bases)	3 h	$4.25	33.3
(318 chip)		$625	1,000 Mb (100 bases)	3 h	$0.63	333.3
MiSeq	$125,000	$750	1,500 Mb (2 x 150 bases)	27 h	$0.5	55.5

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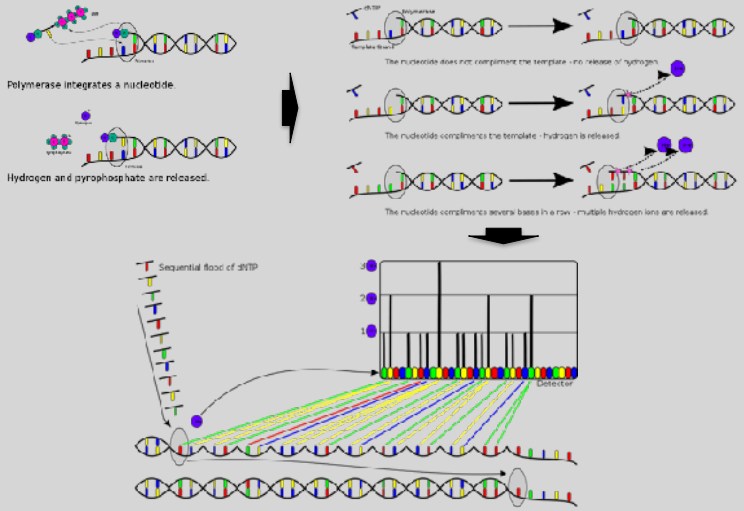
PGM - Ion Semiconductor Sequencing



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