

Sequencing technologies



Benchtop

Production-Scale

Illumina: Sequencing Platforms

https://www.illumina.com/systems/sequencing-platforms.html









iSeq 100 System

MiniSeq System

MiSeq Series •

NextSeq Series •

Benchtop

Run Time	9–17.5 hours	4–24 hours	4–55 hours	12–30 hours
Maximum Output	1.2 Gb	7.5 Gb	15 Gb	120 Gb
Maximum Reads Per Run	4 million	25 million	25 million [†]	400 million
Maximum Read Length	2 × 150 bp	2 × 150 bp	2 × 300 bp	2 × 150 bp









NextSeq Series **◆**

HiSeq Series •

HiSeq X Series[‡]

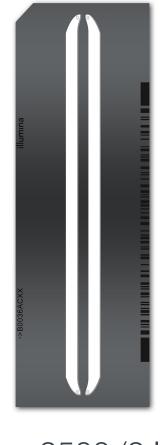
NovaSeq 6000 System

Production-Scale

Run Time	12–30 hours	< 1–3.5 days (HiSeq 3000/HiSeq 4000) 7 hours–6 days (HiSeq 2500)	< 3 days	16–36 hours (Dual S2 flow cells) 44 hours (Dual S2 flow cells)
Maximum Output	120 Gb	1500 Gb	1800 Gb	6000 Gb
Maximum Reads Per Run	400 million	5 billion	6 billion	20 billion
Maximum Read Length	2 × 150 bp	2 × 150 bp	2 × 150 bp	2 × 150 bp

Flow cell

- A glass surface coated with an arrangement of paired oligos that are complementary to the adapters added to your template molecules.
- A flow cell can have varying numbers of lanes, depending on the sequencing machine. http://training.bioinformatics.ucdavis.edu/docs/2014/09/september-2014-workshop/Monday_JF_HTS_lecture.html



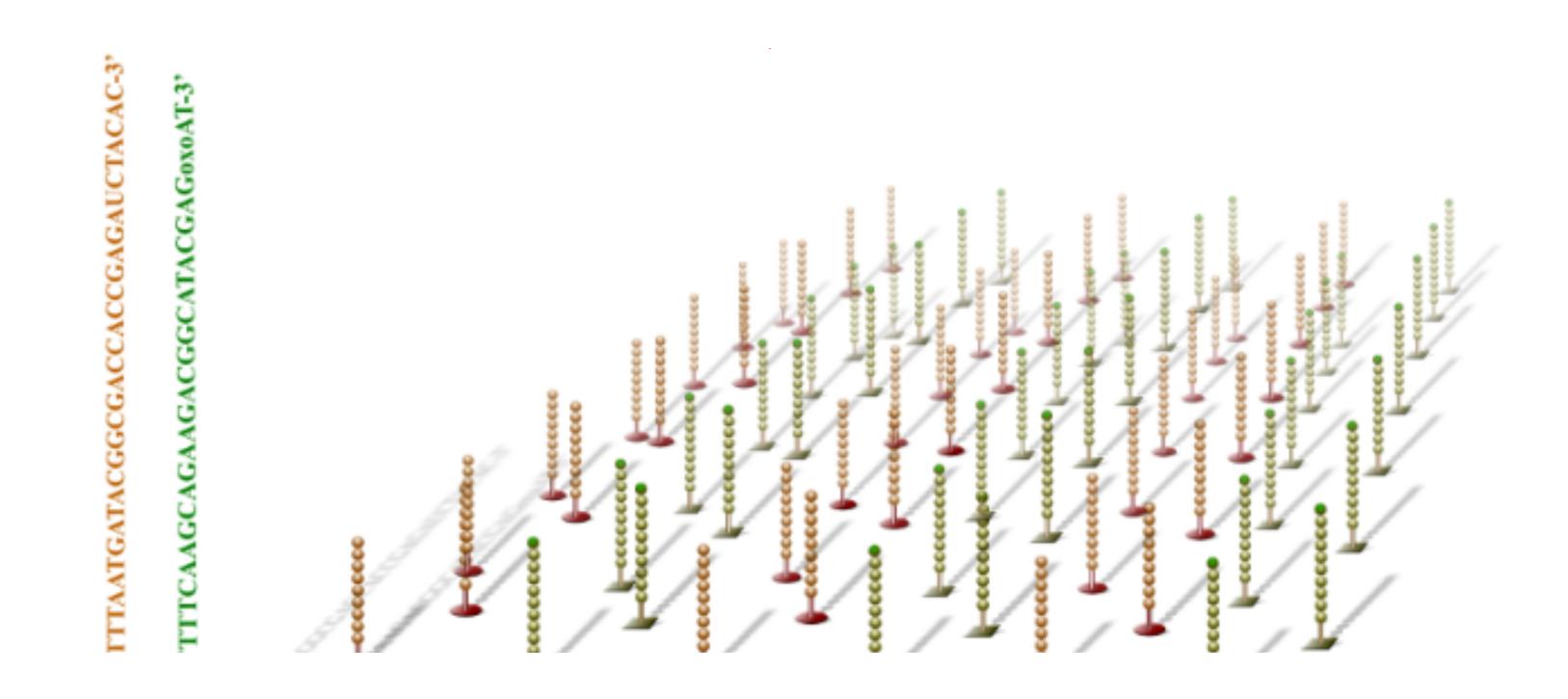
HiSeq 2500 (2 lane)



HiSeq 3000/4000



NextSeq 500



Illumina: flow cell

Introduction to Sequencing by Synthesis

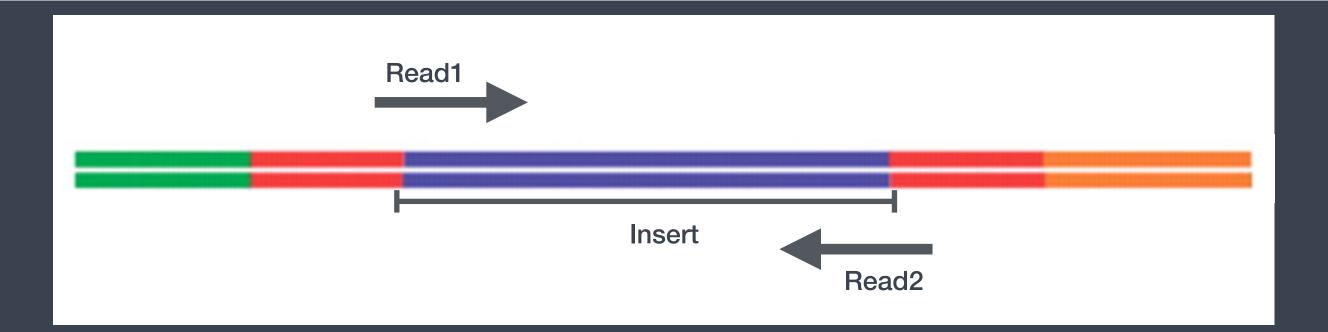
Video courtesy of Illumina YouTube channel

Number of clusters ~= Number of reads

Number of sequencing cycles ~= Length of reads

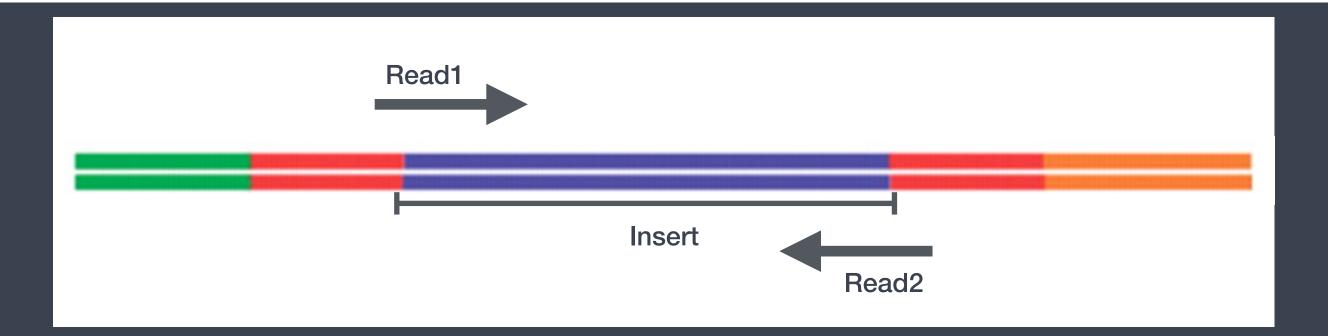
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Depends on your goals, paired-end reads are better for reads that map to multiple locations, for assemblies and for splice isoform differentiation.



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- ✓ Fragment length: ~300-500bp
- ✓ Read length: 50bp 250bp, depends on the sequencer (HiSeq2500, MiSeq, NextSeq)

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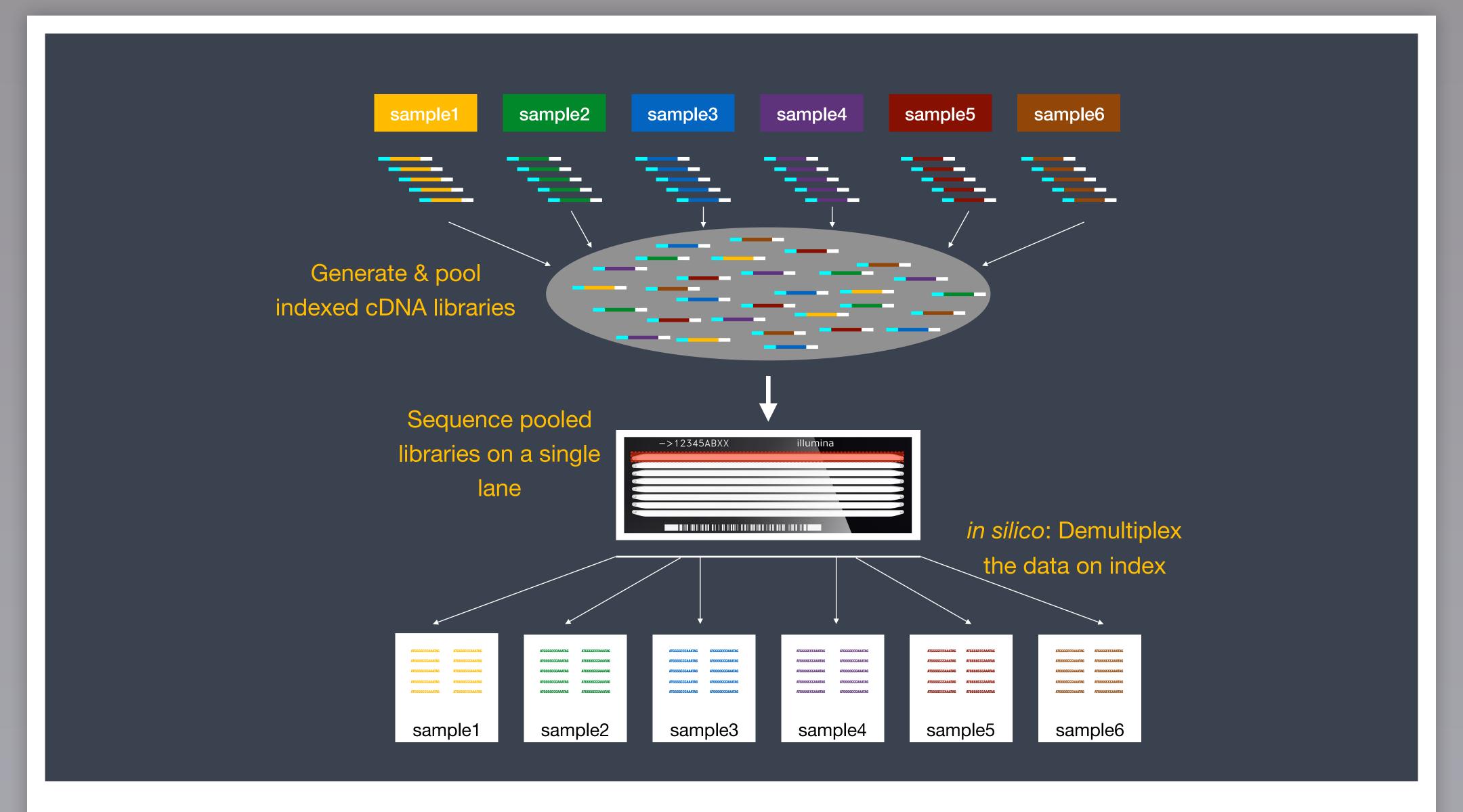
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For differential gene expression, which one you pick depends on-

- If you are specifically interested in isoform-level differences
- The abundance of paralogous genes in your system of interest
- Your budget, paired-end data is usually 2x more expensive

Multiplexing (with barcodes and indices)

- → Charges for sequencing are usually per lane of the flow cell, and usually you don't need one lane per sample
- → Multiplexing allows you to sequence multiple samples per lane with addition of indices (within the Illumina adapter) or special barcodes (outside the Illumina adapter).



Pacific Biosciences: http://www.pacb.com/

Oxford Nanopore (MinION): https://nanoporetech.com/

10X Genomics: https://www.10xgenomics.com/

Other Sequencing Platforms

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