

Putting this in terms of graph theory:

“edges”

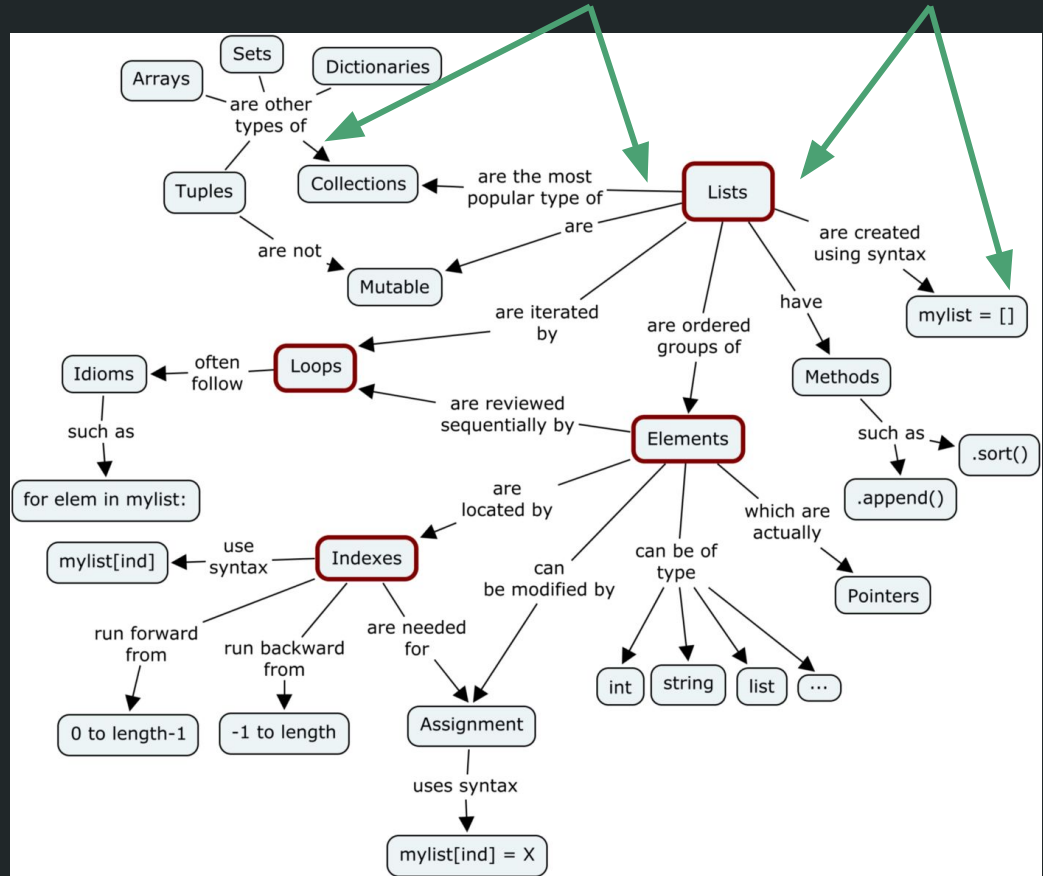
“nodes”

Concept maps

(A directed graph/network)

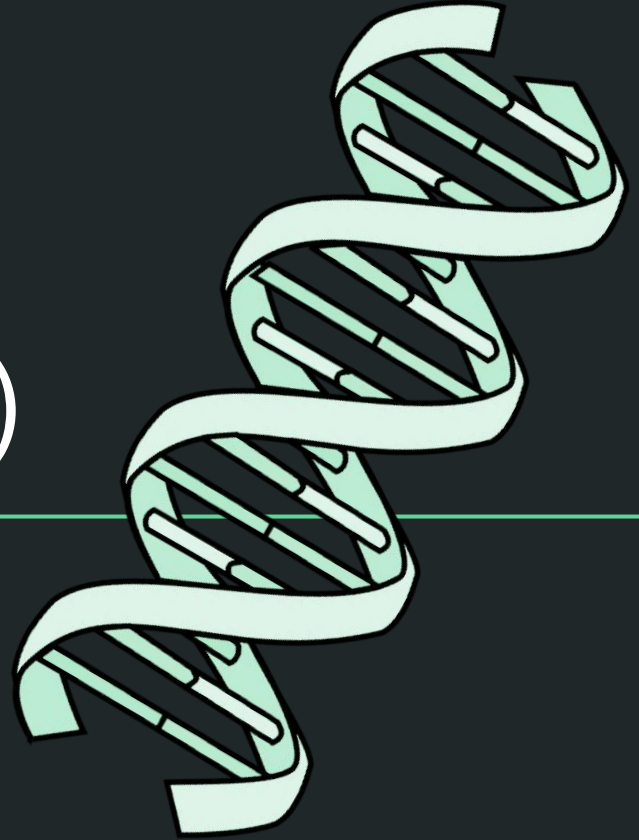
Use paper or tablet or
<https://jamboard.google.com/> or
<https://excalidraw.com/> to create
yours and submit on Canvas

You need at least **10 nodes** and
15 edges



Gene Expression (RNAseq & Patch-Seq)

BIPN 162



Objectives for today

- Compare and contrast DNA microarrays and RNA-seq
 - Describe Patch-Seq
 - Use Pandas to manipulate a Patch-Seq dataset
 - Identify reasons to **transform** and **normalize** data
 - Implement a log transform and normalization
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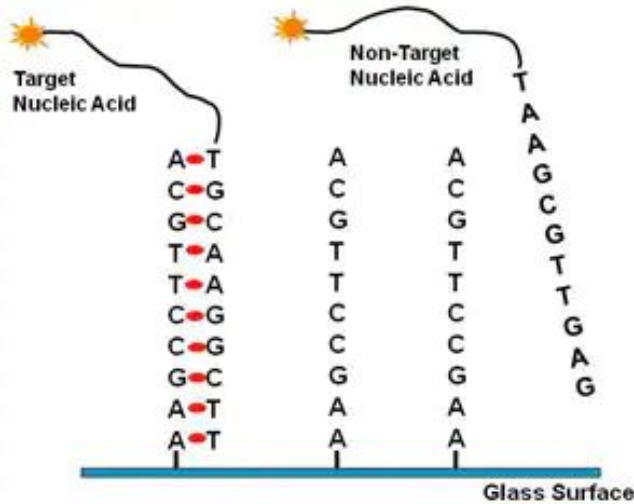


**Extract
mRNA from
samples**



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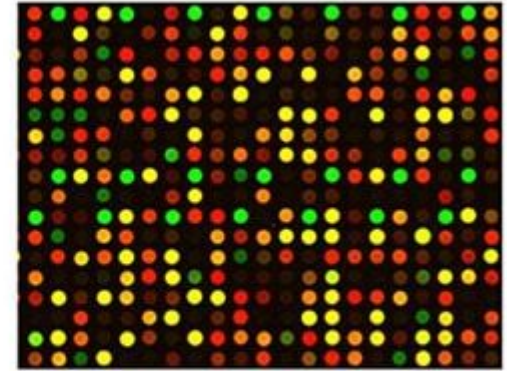
Create cDNA
(via reverse
transcriptase)
**attached to
fluorophore**



**Bind to a microarray chip with
Whole Human Genome probe
set**

Positive controls: Pooled RNA
samples from same brain, and
other brains

Negative control: nuclease free
deionized water (NFdH₂O)



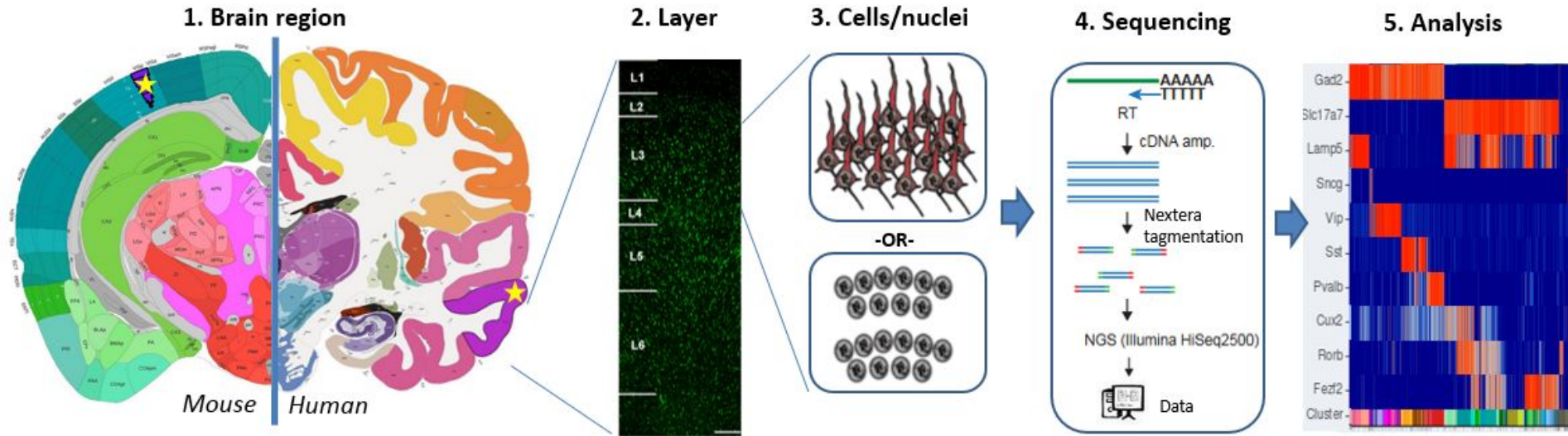
DNA Microarray

**Normalize expression
across all samples**
(from one subject)

and later, across
batches of experiments.

Reminder: microarrays

RNA-seq (by brain region)



<https://portal.brain-map.org/atlas-and-data/rnaseq>

What is RNA-seq?

- Very sensitive assay (single nucleotide, different exons in gene) to measure gene expression
- *Constantly evolving* technology & becoming more inexpensive

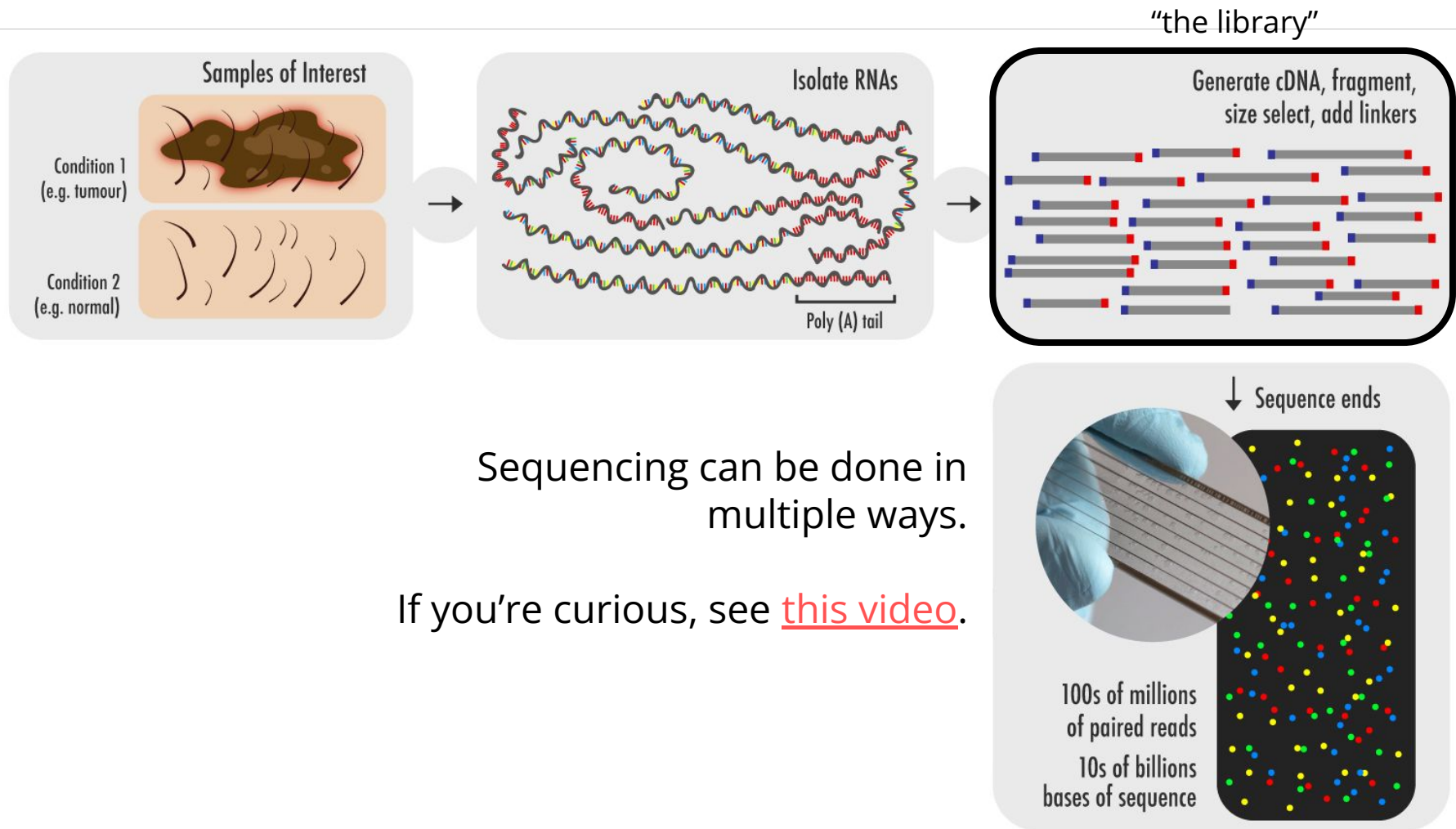
Several different kinds:

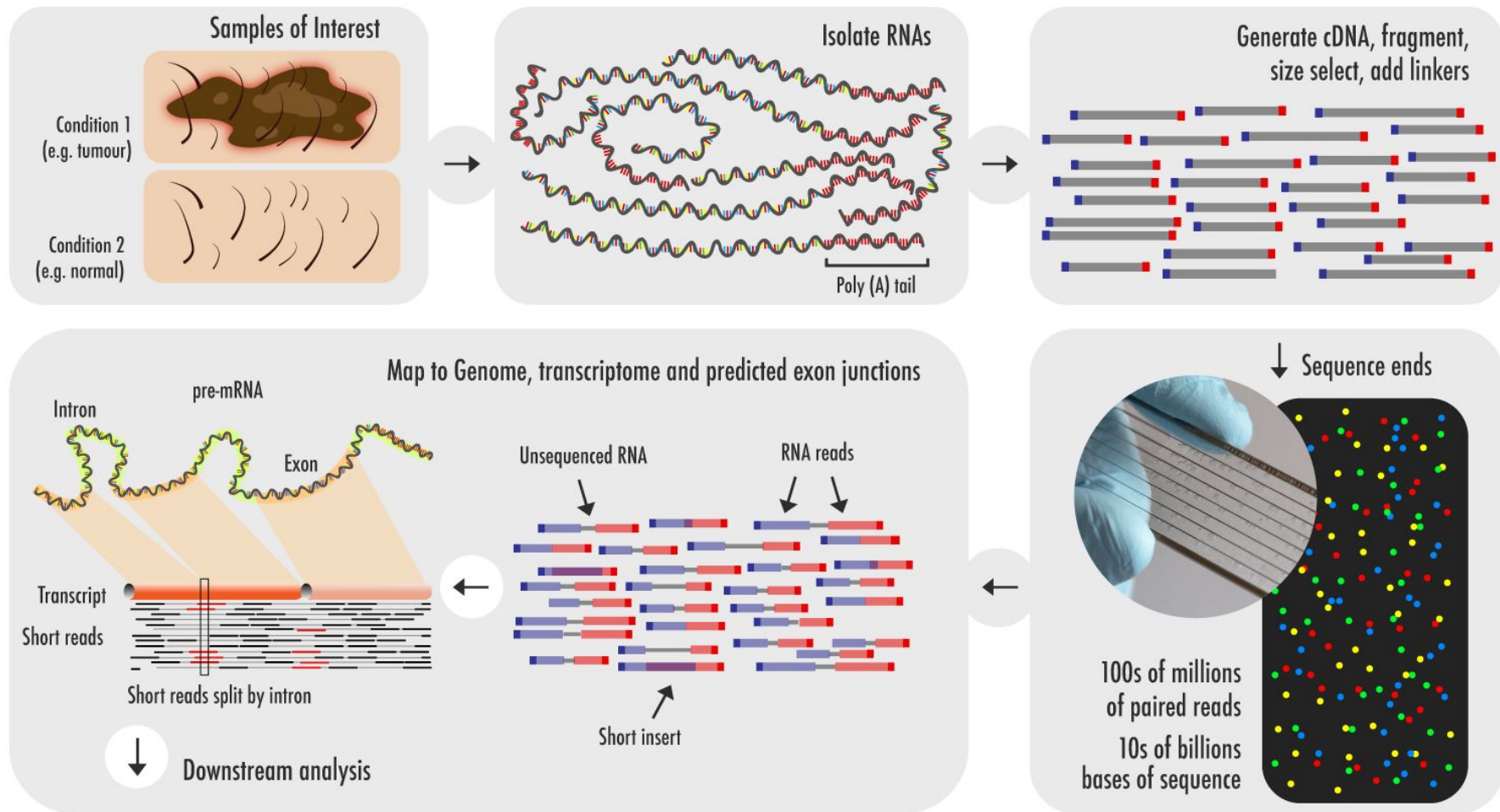
- **Bulk** or **single-cell (scRNA-seq)**
- **Single-read** (cheaper & faster) or **paired-end** (deeper reads)
- **Strand-specific** or **non-strand-specific**
- **With** or **without** a **reference genome**

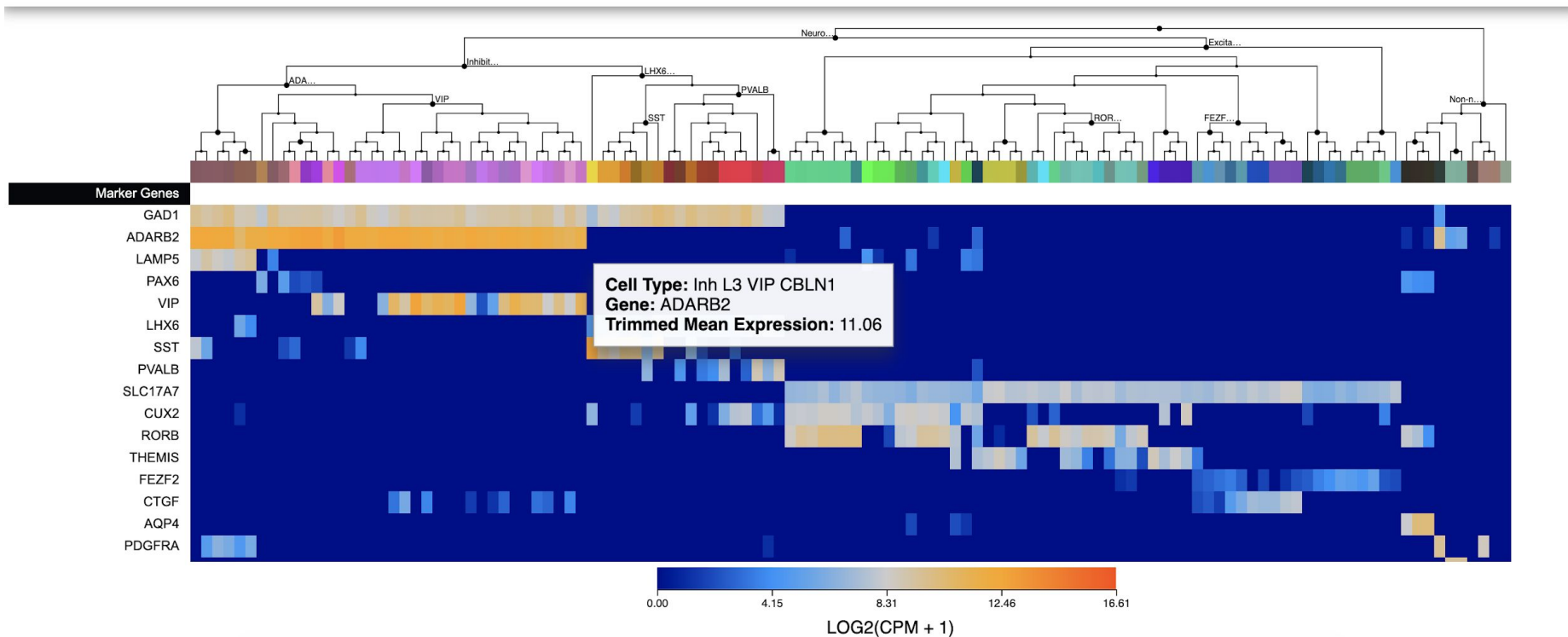
Information on single-cell RNA-seq: [Introduction to Single-Cell RNA Sequencing - Olsen - 2018 - Current Protocols in Molecular Biology - Wiley Online Library](#)

Different options: [Genome Sequencing: Defining Your Experiment | Columbia University Department of Systems Biology](#)

[RNA-Seq: Basics, Applications and Protocol | Technology Networks](#)







Normalization of RNAseq data

- **Normalization** is the process of rescaling values to be able to make comparisons (e.g., across reads, cells, brain areas, subjects, etc.)
 - Typically, we divide by the thing we're controlling for!
- Because the number of reads per cell in RNAseq can vary, it is commonplace to normalize by the total # of reads
 - This normalizes by **depth** but not gene length (shorter genes are sequenced more often!)
- One common way to normalize raw read counts is to calculate **counts per million (CPM)**, obtained by dividing read counts for genes by the sum of raw read counts in that cell (**library size**), and multiplying the results by a million

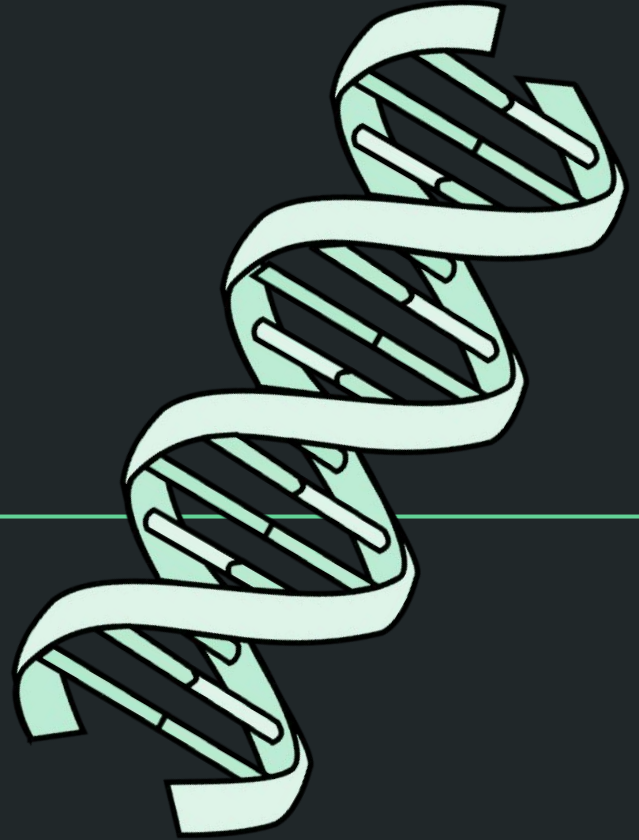
Comparing microarrays to RNA-seq

	Microarray	RNA-seq
Principle	Hybridization	Cloning & sequencing
Required amount of RNA	High	Low
Resolution	Several to 100 bp	Single base
Distinguish allelic expression	Limited	Yes
Discover new genes	No (requires species-specific probes)	Yes
Dynamic range	Few hundred-fold	> 8000-fold
Cost	Medium	High (computational, but getting cheaper)

Important points to remember about measuring gene expression via microarrays or RNAseq

- *Neither* measure actual protein output — which may vary from genes or transcript abundance
- *Both* provide relative measurements that need to be normalized (and the mechanism of normalization can impact results)
- RNA quality also impacts results, particularly for post mortem human studies
- Findings should always be validated (e.g., with Western blotting or immunostaining for proteins, or RT-PCR for better quantification)

Bringing this back to
data science...



Sample publications using the Allen Institute for Brain Science microarray dataset

REPORT




Correlated gene expression supports synchronous activity in brain networks

Jonas Richiardi^{1,2,*,†}, Andre Altmann^{1,†}, Anna-Clare Milazzo^{3,1}, Catie Chang⁴, M. Mallar Chakravarty^{5,6}, Tobias Banaschewski⁷

† See all authors and affiliations

Science 12 Jun 2015:
Vol. 348, Issue 6240, pp. 1241-1244
DOI: 10.1126/science.1255905

Adolescence is associated with genomically patterned consolidation of the hubs of the human brain connectome

 Kirstie J. Whitaker,  Petra E. Vértes, Rafael Romero-Garcia, František Váša, Michael Moutoussis, Gita Prabhu, Nikolaus Weiskopf, Martina F. Callaghan, Konrad Wagst, Timothy Rittman, Roger Tait, Cinly Ooi, John Suckling, Becky Inkster, Peter Fonagy, Raymond J. Dolan, Peter B. Jones, Ian M. Goodyer, the NSPN Consortium, and  Edward T. Bullmore

nature
neuroscience

Resource | Published: 16 November 2015

Canonical genetic signatures of the adult human brain

Michael Hawrylycz , Jeremy A Miller, [...] Ed Lein 

Nature Neuroscience 18, 1832–1844(2015) | [Cite this article](#)

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Increased cerebral blood flow after single dose of antipsychotics in healthy volunteers depends on dopamine D2 receptor density profiles

Pierluigi Selvaggi ^a  , Peter C.T. Hawkins ^a, Ottavia Dipasquale ^a, Gaia Rizzo ^{b, c}, Alessandro Bertolino ^d, Juergen Dukart ^e, Fabio Sambataro ^f, Giulio Pergola ^d, Steven C.R. Williams ^a, Federico Turkheimer ^a, Fernando Zelaya ^a, Mattia Veronese ^{a, 1}, Mitul A. Mehta ^{a, 1}

Overview of Allen RNA-seq datasets

Human

[Protocols](#) | [Background](#)

M1 - 10X GENOMICS (2020)

[Explore & Analyze](#)

[Genome Browser](#)

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MULTIPLE CORTICAL AREAS - SMART-SEQ (2019)

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MTG - SMART-SEQ (2018)

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V1, ACC - SMART-SEQ (2018)

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MTG - 10X SEA-AD (2022)

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Mouse

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NOTE As of 10/21/2021: The Mouse CTX-HPF datasets have been updated to reflect the final taxonomy and cell type annotations from the [May 2021 paper in Cell](#) [here](#).

WHOLE CORTEX & HIPPOCAMPUS - 10X GENOMICS (2020) WITH 10X-SMART-SEQ TAXONOMY (2021)

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WHOLE CORTEX & HIPPOCAMPUS - SMART-SEQ (2019) WITH 10X-SMART-SEQ TAXONOMY (2021)

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V1 & ALM - SMART-SEQ (2018)

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ACA AND MOP - SMART-SEQ (2018)

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Comparative

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MOUSE, HUMAN, MACAQUE - LGN (2018)

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Abbreviations

ACA = anterior cingulate area

ACC = anterior cingulate cortex

ALM = anterolateral visual area

LGN = lateral geniculate nucleus of the thalamus

M1 = primary motor cortex

MOp = primary motor area

MTG = medial temporal gyrus (hippocampal formation)

V1 = primary visual cortex

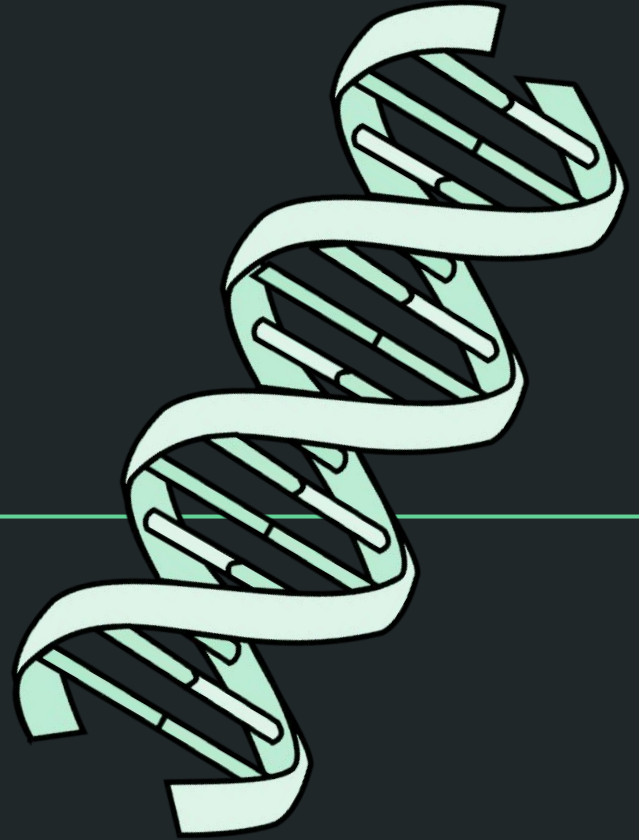
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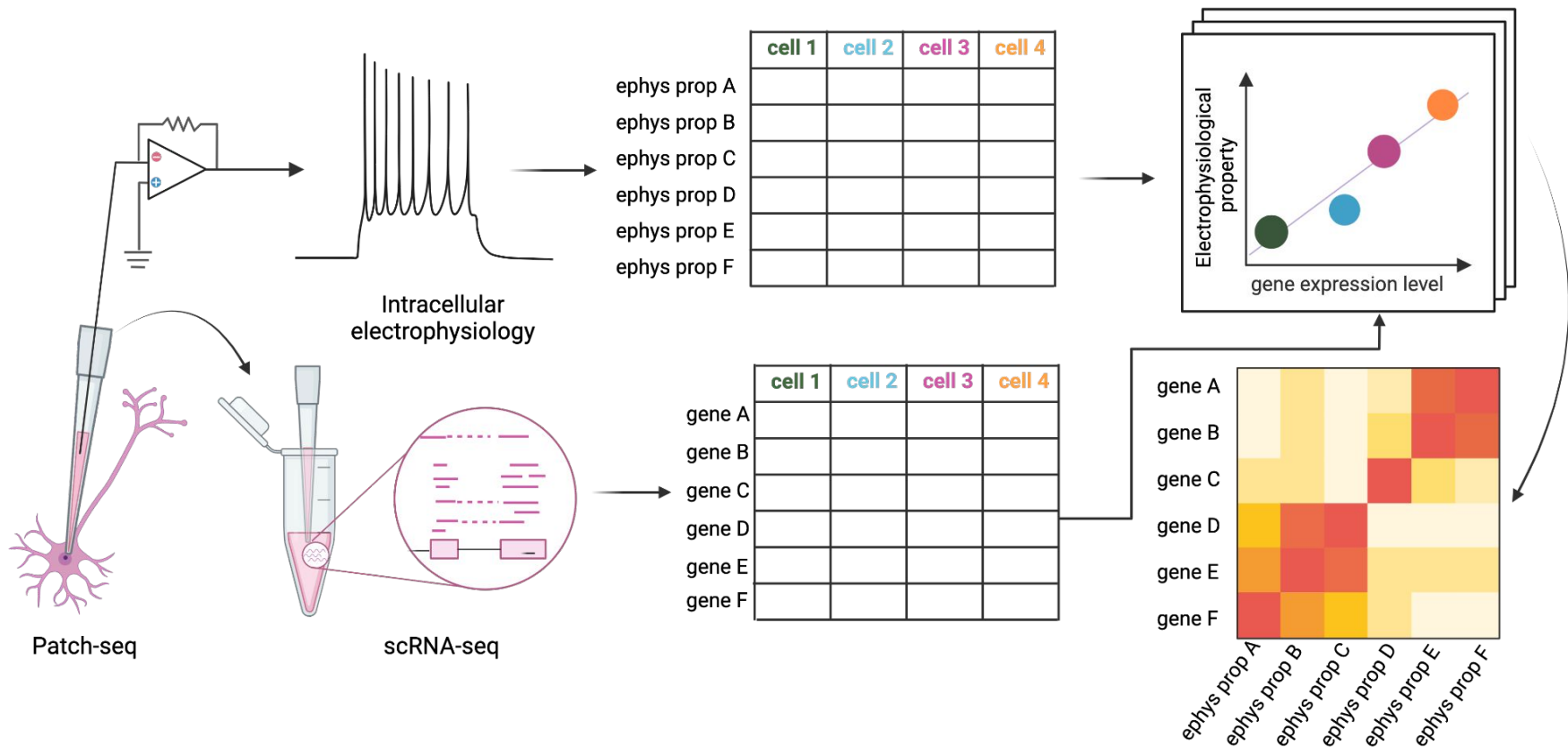
(Somewhat comprehensive) overview of Allen gene expression datasets

	DNA Microarray http://human.brain-map.org/microarray/search	RNA-seq https://portal.brain-map.org/atlas-and-data/rnaseq	<i>In situ</i> hybridization https://human.brain-map.org/ish/search https://mouse.brain-map.org/search/index Across development: http://brainspan.org/ish
Whole brain	Human	--	Mouse
Cortex	Human	Mouse, human	Mouse, human
Motor Cortex		Human	
Visual Cortex	Human	Mouse (V1 & ALM), human (V1)	Mouse, human
Subcortex (e.g., caudate putamen)	Human	--	Mouse, human
Lateral geniculate nucleus	Human	Mouse, human	Mouse
Hippocampus	Human	Mouse	Mouse
Medial temporal gyrus	Human	Human	
Anterior cingulate cortex/area	Human	Mouse, human	Mouse

What if we want information
about a cell's gene expression
and its electrophysiology?

PATCH-SEQ!





Patch-seq overview (see [Gouwens et al. 2020](#) for details)



The Neuroscience Multi-omic Archive

The Neuroscience Multi-omic Archive (NeMO Archive) is a data repository specifically focused on the storage and dissemination of omic data generated from the BRAIN Initiative, SCORCH consortium and other brain research projects.



Welcome

NeMO data will include:

1. Genomic regions associated with brain abnormalities and disease
2. Transcription factor binding sites and other regulatory elements
3. Transcription activity
4. Levels of cytosine modification
5. Histone modification profiles and chromatin accessibility

To search the NeMO Archive please visit the **NeMO Archive Data Portal**.

	Data Volume	416.9 TB
	Files	1,225,533
	Downloads	3.8 PB



NeMO Analytics enables web-based visualization and analysis of multi-omic data. [Learn more](#) →

Where the <https://nemoarchive.org/>

Common file types in data science

- not
compressed
- **Comma-delimited file** (.csv): each data point separated by a comma: . 4 2 , 8 4 , 2 4
 - **Tab-delimited file** (.tsv): each data point separated by a tab: . 4 2 8 4 2 4
 - **JSON, HTML, XML** ([info](#))
 - **Tar file**
 - Tape Archive
 - Combines multiple files into one (it's **compressed**)

Log transformations

Why do we transform data?

- Purely for visualization -- *less problematic*
- To run statistics that make assumptions about distribution of data (e.g., require normality) -- *more problematic and not always useful*; [see discussion here](#)

A **log transform** is just one way of transforming data.

original data



$$\log_{10}(0.00001) = -5$$

transformed data

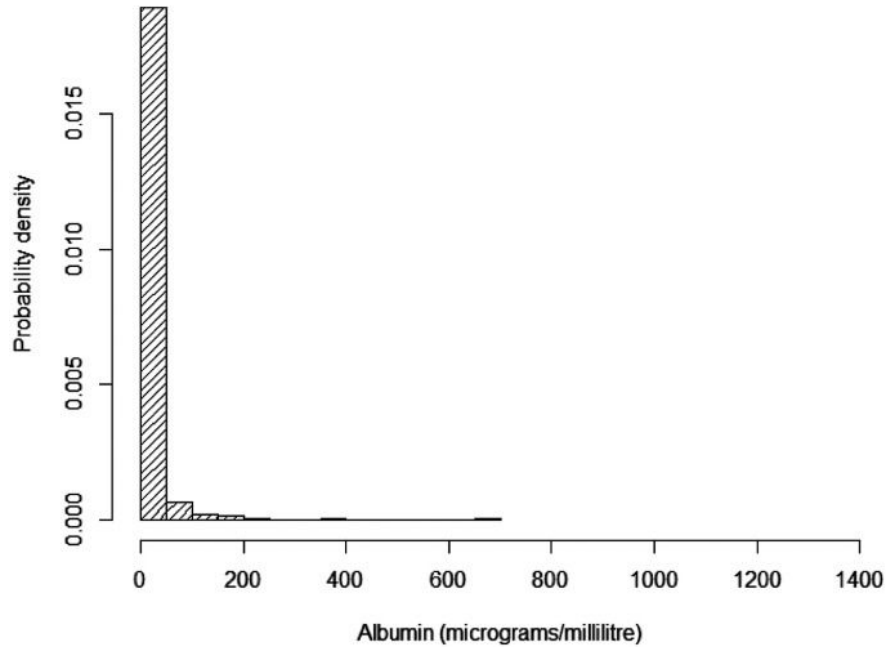


$$\log_{10}(10,000) = 4$$

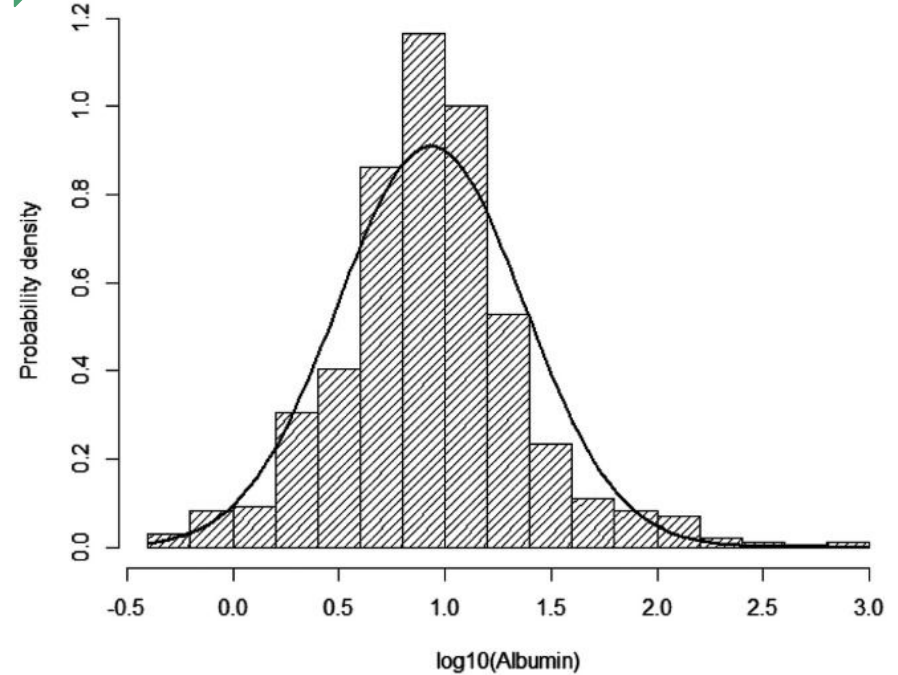
● ● ● $\log_2(16) = 4$

What do we need
to raise 2 to, in
order to get 16?

Urine albumin for males



Log10(albumin) for males



Example of log transform (from [this paper](#))

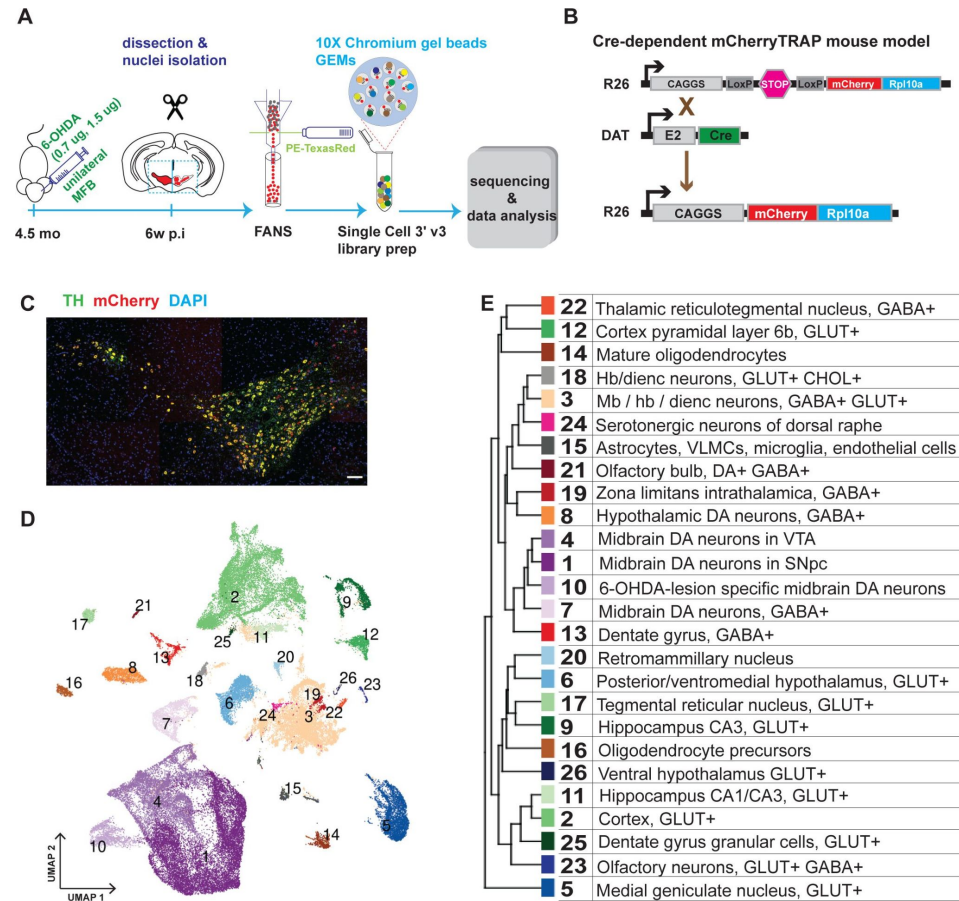
“The main use of the urinary albumin/creatinine ratio is to provide early evidence of microvascular renal disease in patients with diabetes; values much above 3 mg/mmol are considered to be clinically significant”

(Brief) Introduction to dimensionality reduction & UMAP

Dimensionality reduction is a technique that helps represent many-dimensional data in fewer dimensions -- *we'll spend a whole week on this later!*

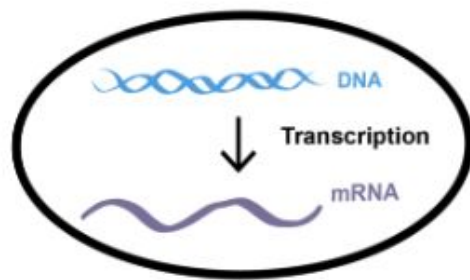
Uniform Manifold Approximation and Projection (UMAP) is one way of transforming and visualizing high dimensional data so that it is more interpretable, commonly transcriptomics data.

<https://alleninstitute.org/resource/what-is-a-umap/>
https://umap-learn.readthedocs.io/en/latest/how_umap_works.html

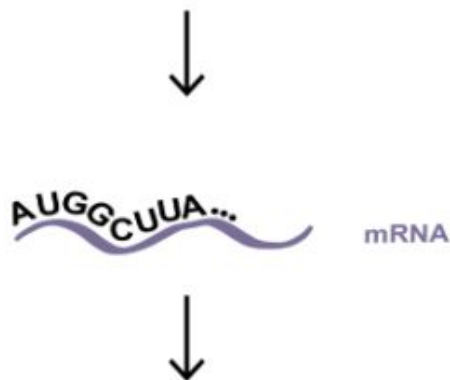


scRNA-seq in mouse midbrain

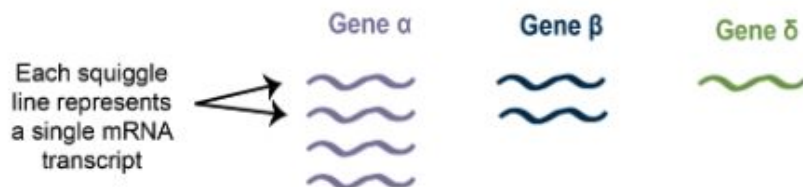
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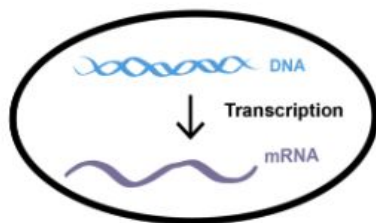
Isolate the nuclei from the cells in the sample of brain tissue and extract the RNA found in each nucleus.



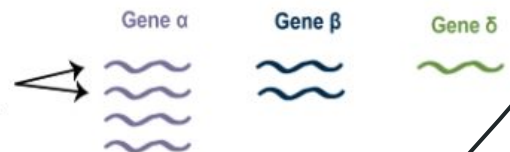
Sequence the mRNA transcripts found in each cell's nucleus in order to determine which genes each brain cell was expressing.



Count the number of mRNA transcripts found for each gene. This allows us to quantify how much each cell was expressing each gene.



AUGGCUUA... mRNA



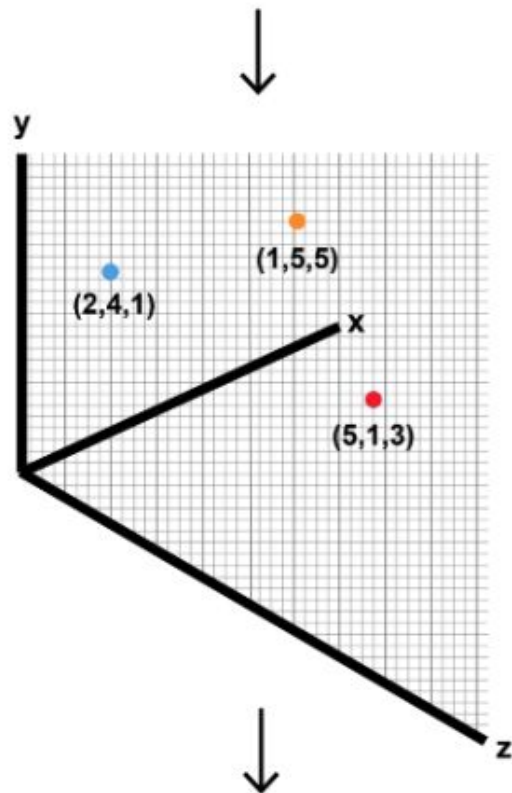
	Gene α	Gene β	Gene δ
# of mRNA transcripts found in Cell 1	4	2	1

	Gene α	Gene β	Gene δ
• # of mRNA transcripts found in Cell 1	2	4	1
• # of mRNA transcripts found in Cell 2	1	5	5
• # of mRNA transcripts found in Cell 3	5	1	3
• repeat count for thousands of cells...

Create a table that shows how much each cell was expressing each gene.

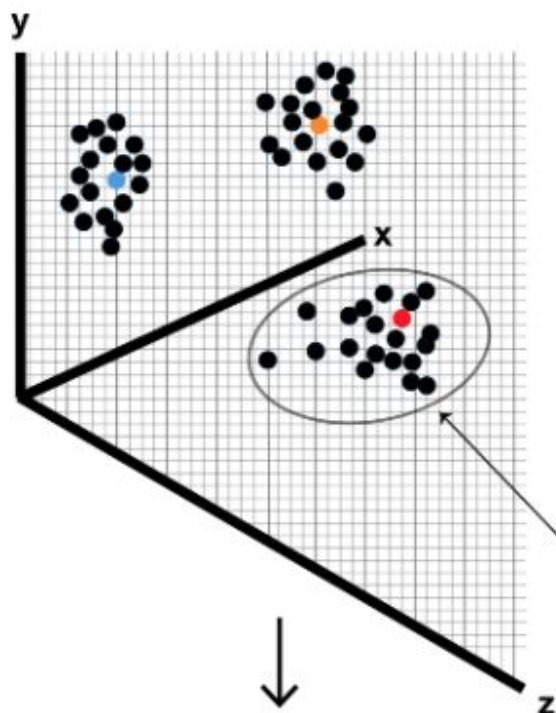
Repeat this process for THOUSANDS of cells. Remember, this means we are counting how much EACH cell was expressing EACH gene. If we wanted to create a table that listed the data in full, this data table would have thousands of rows.

x = gene α value
 y = gene β value
 z = gene δ value



If we wanted to create a graph that plotted the initial data for cell 1, cell 2, and cell 3 and their relative amount of expression of gene alpha, gene beta, and gene delta, we would need a 3D graph like the one on the left.

x = gene α value
 y = gene β value
 z = gene δ value



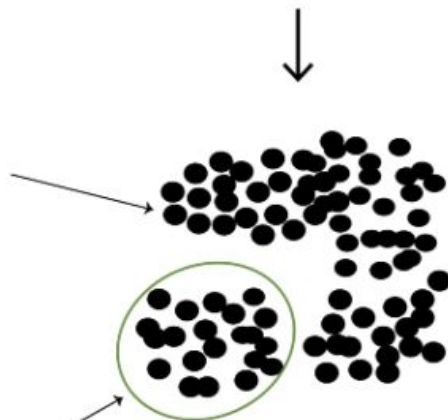
We can repeat this process for the thousands of cells that were collected from the brain tissue sample. Notice that the cells begin to cluster based on how similar their gene expression for gene alpha, gene beta, and gene delta is to one another. These clusters help us identify which cells may be more similar and/or dissimilar to one another!

when we plot the gene expression data for more cells, we notice that cell 3 (red dot) clusters next to these other cells from the sample

	Gene α	Gene β	Gene δ	repeat for thousands of genes...
● # of mRNA transcripts found in Cell 1	2	4	1	...
● # of mRNA transcripts found in Cell 2	1	5	5	...
● # of mRNA transcripts found in Cell 3	5	1	3	...
● repeat count for thousands of cells...

In addition to collecting data on gene expression for thousands of cells, scientists will add another layer of complexity by measuring the gene expression of these thousands of cells for THOUSANDS of genes. A table displaying this data would have thousands of rows and thousands of columns. Since the graph would now have much more than just 3 dimensions, we will need a special type of tool to graphically represent this data in a way that humans can visualize.

Each dot represents a single nucleus isolated from a single brain cell



Identify clusters in the data—these clusters represent cells that are more like each other than they are like any other cells

UMAP

In order to plot this many-dimensional graph in a way humans can visualize, we use a dimensionality reduction tool, such as a UMAP, to plot it in a 2D space. Dimensionality reduction is a technique that helps represent many-dimensional data in just two or three dimensions.

Before running the UMAP, we need to change the way our array is represented

Sparse matrices (or arrays) contain many zeros.

We can change the representation of these to use less memory and require less computation time.

We'll use **scipy.sparse** to represent our data as compressed sparse row (CSR)

Sparse Matrix

	0	1	2	3	4	5
0	0	8	0	0	0	0
1	0	0	0	3	0	0
2	0	0	0	0	0	5
3	0	6	9	2	0	0
4	0	0	0	0	0	0

Space taken = $5 \times 6 \times 2 = 60$ bytes

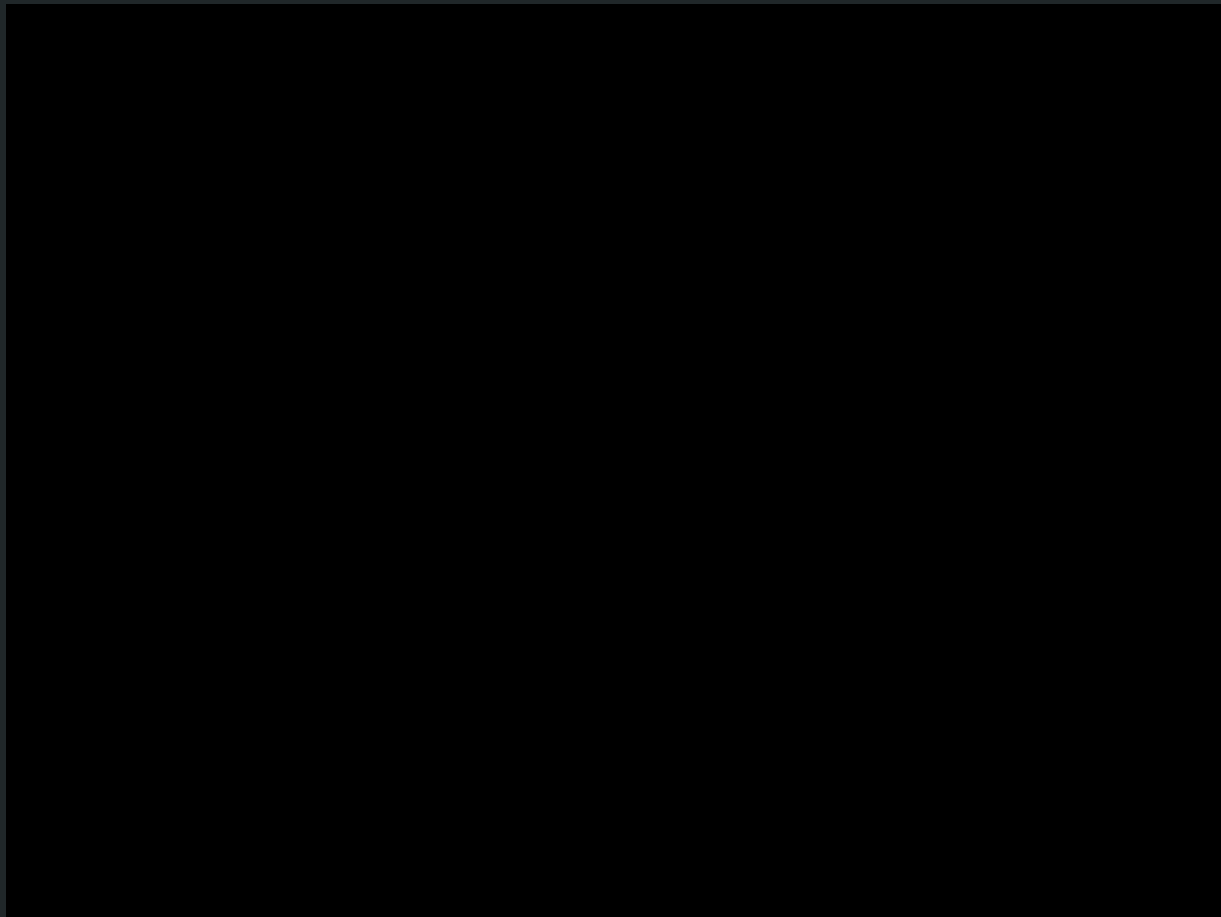


Triplet Representation

	0	1	2
Rows			
Columns			
Value			
0	0	1	8
1	1	3	3
2	2	5	5
3	3	1	6
4	3	2	9
5	3	3	2

Space taken = $3 \times 6 \times 2 = 36$ bytes

Image from <https://www.scaler.com/topics/data-structures/sparse-matrix-in-data-structure/>
See also https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Sparse_matrix and
<https://www.geeksforgeeks.org/what-is-meant-by-sparse-array/>



About the author of the Patch-seq notebook: Nuo Xu! <https://triplab.org/>

Resources

[Unraveling the Complexity of the Mammalian Brain - Allen Institute](#)

[UMAP Zoo](#)

[How UMAP Works](#)

[Log-transformation and its implications for data analysis - PMC](#)