

# BITAH05 – Database technologies

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## Lecture 3 – MySQL and other languages, NoSQL, online databases, APIs & version control

# Previously

- MySQL monitor → GUI
  - MySQL Workbench
- Data model
  - Structure of data
    - Conceptual
    - Logical
    - Physical
- Database model
  - Flat
  - Hierarchical
  - Network
  - Relational
  - Object-relational
  - Object-oriented

# Previously

- Normalisation
  - UNF
  - 1NF
  - 2NF
  - 3NF
  - BCNF
- MySQL Workbench
  - Create model → Entity Relationship Diagram
  - Forward engineer
  - Reverse engineer
  - Import/Export data

# MySQL and other languages

## PHP

- MySQLi extension
  - Works only with MySQL
  - Procedural vs. Object-Oriented
  - `sudo yum install php-mysqli`
- PDO (PHP Data Objects)
  - Works with 12 different database systems

# MySQL and other languages

## PHP – MySQLi Procedural: Connect

```
<?php
$servername = "localhost";
$username = "username";
$password = "password";

// Create connection
$conn = mysqli_connect($servername, $username, $password);

// Check connection
if (!$conn) {
    die("Connection failed: " . mysqli_connect_error());
}
echo "Connected successfully";
?>
```

# MySQL and other languages

## PHP – MySQLi Procedural: Query

```
<?php

// Create database
$sql = "CREATE DATABASE myDB";
if (mysqli_query($conn, $sql)) {
    echo "Database created successfully";
} else {
    echo "Error creating database: " . mysqli_error($conn);
}

mysqli_close($conn);
?>
```

- Other possibilities: INSERT, SELECT, DELETE, UPDATE

# MySQL and other languages

## PHP – MySQLi Procedural: INSERT

```
<?php
```

```
$sql = "INSERT INTO MyGuests (firstname, lastname, email)  
VALUES ('John', 'Doe', 'john@example.com')";
```

```
if (mysqli_query($conn, $sql)) {  
    $last_id = mysqli_insert_id($conn);  
    echo "New record created successfully. Last inserted ID is: " .  
$last_id;  
} else {  
    echo "Error: " . $sql . "<br>" . mysqli_error($conn);  
}
```

```
mysqli_close($conn);
```

```
?>
```



# MySQL and other languages

## PHP – MySQLi Procedural: INSERT (prepared)

```
<?php
// prepare and bind
$stmt = mysqli_stmt_init($conn);
mysqli_stmt_prepare($stmt, "INSERT INTO MyGuests (firstname, lastname,
email) VALUES (?, ?, ?)");
mysqli_stmt_bind_param ($stmt,"sss", $firstname, $lastname, $email);

// set parameters and execute
$firstname = "John";
$lastname = "Doe";
$email = "john@example.com";
mysqli_stmt_execute ($stmt);

echo "New record created successfully";

mysqli_stmt_close($stmt);
mysqli_close($conn);
?>
```

# MySQL and other languages

## PHP – MySQLi Procedural: SELECT

```
<?php
$sql = "SELECT id, firstname, lastname FROM MyGuests";
$result = mysqli_query($conn, $sql);

if (mysqli_num_rows($result) > 0) {
    // output data of each row
    while($row = mysqli_fetch_assoc($result)) {
        echo "id: " . $row["id"]. " - Name: " . $row["firstname"]. " " .
$row["lastname"]. "<br>";
    }
} else {
    echo "0 results";
}

mysqli_close($conn);
?>
```

# MySQL and other languages

## PHP – MySQLi Object-Oriented: Connect, Query, Insert

```
<?php
$conn = new mysqli($servername, $username, $password);

$sql = "CREATE DATABASE myDB";
$conn->query($sql);

$sql = "INSERT INTO MyGuests (firstname, lastname, email)
VALUES ('John', 'Doe', 'john@example.com')";
if ($conn->query($sql) === TRUE) {
    $last_id = $conn->insert_id;
    echo "New record created successfully. Last inserted ID is: " .
    $last_id;
}
?>
```

# MySQL and other languages

## PHP – MySQLi Object-Oriented: Insert (prepared)

```
<?php
// prepare and bind
$stmt = $conn->prepare("INSERT INTO MyGuests (firstname, lastname, email)
VALUES (?, ?, ?)");
$stmt->bind_param("sss", $firstname, $lastname, $email);

// set parameters and execute
$firstname = "John";
$lastname = "Doe";
$email = "john@example.com";
$stmt->execute();

echo "New records created successfully";

$stmt->close();
$conn->close();

?>
```

# MySQL and other languages

## PHP – MySQLi Object-Oriented: SELECT

```
<?php
```

```
$sql = "SELECT id, firstname, lastname FROM MyGuests";  
$result = $conn->query($sql);
```

```
if ($result->num_rows > 0) {  
    // output data of each row  
    while($row = $result->fetch_assoc()) {  
        echo "id: " . $row["id"]. " - Name: " . $row["firstname"]. " " .  
$row["lastname"]. "<br>";  
    }  
}
```

```
$conn->close();
```

```
?>
```

# MySQL and other languages

Python (more info in BIT04-Scripting)

- **mysql.connector**

```
import mysql.connector
cnx = mysql.connector.connect(user='username', database='myDD')
cursor = cnx.cursor()
query = ("SELECT id, firstname, lastname FROM MyGuests")
cursor.execute(query)
cursor.close()
cnx.close()
```

- **MySQLdb**

```
import MySQLdb
db = MySQLdb.connect(host="localhost",user="username",passwd="password",db="myDB")
cur = db.cursor()
cur.execute("SELECT id, firstname, lastname FROM MyGuests")
db.close()
```

# NoSQL

## Introduction

- Database Management Systems
- Non relational
- More flexible
- Big-data and real-time web applications
- Lack of
  - Atomicity
  - Consistency
  - Isolation
  - Durability

# NoSQL

## Introduction

- Different categories
  - Column store
  - Key-value store
  - Graph store
  - Multi-model
  - Document store



# NoSQL

## Introduction

- Column store
  - Tuples consist of 3 elements
    - Unique name
    - Value
    - Timestamp
  - Does not have to be in every row
  - Number of columns can change from row to row
  - E.g. Apache Cassandra



# NoSQL

## Introduction

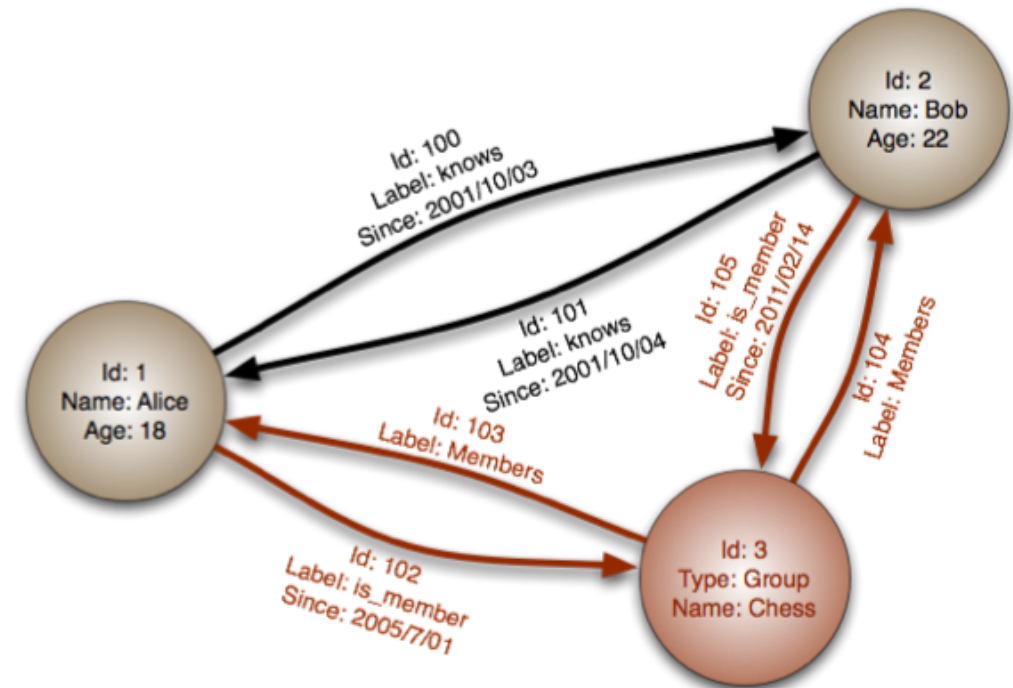


- Key-value store
  - Data is stored in dictionary or hash
    - Collection of object or records
      - Different fields
  - Unique key per record
  - Single collection, different fields per record possible
  - Uses less memory
  - E.g. Oracle NoSQL Database

# NoSQL

## Introduction

- Graph store
  - Nodes, edges and properties
  - Simple and rapid data retrieval
  - SPARQL
  - Shortest path queries
  - E.g. OrientDB



# NoSQL

## Introduction



- Multi model
  - Multiple data models against a single, integrated backend
  - Document, graph, relational, and key-value models supported
  - E.g. Couchbase (relational, document)

# NoSQL

## Introduction

- Document store
  - Semi-structured data
  - Subclass of key-value store
    - Internal structure in the document
    - All information for given object stored in single instance
    - Every stored object can be different from every other
  - Web applications
  - Documents identified by unique key
  - Supports CRUD

# NoSQL

## Introduction



- Document store
  - No predefined data formats
    - Change in type and form has no effect on database and existing stored documents
  - No normalisation
  - E.g. MongoDB

# NoSQL

## mongoDB

- Free and open-source
- JSON-like documents
- Ad hoc queries
  - Fields, ranges, regex
- Indexes
  - Primary and secondary
- Replication
- Load balancing
  - Sharding
- File storage
  - Grid File System (GridFS): store files larger than 16 MB
- Aggregation
  - MapReduce

# NoSQL

## mongoDB – JSON format

- JavaScript Object Notation
  - Data-interchange format
  - Easy to parse and generate
  - Objects and arrays
    - Attribute-value pairs

```
{
  "firstName": "John",
  "lastName": "Smith",
  "age": 25,
  "address": {
    "streetAddress": "21 2nd Street",
    "city": "New York",
    "state": "NY",
    "postalCode": "10021"
  },
  "phoneNumber": [
    {
      "type": "home",
      "number": "212 555-1234"
    },
    {
      "type": "fax",
      "number": "646 555-4567"
    }
  ],
  "gender": {
    "type": "male"
  }
}
```



# NoSQL

## mongoDB – install server

- Linux
  - <https://docs.mongodb.com/getting-started/shell/tutorial/install-on-linux/>
- Mac
  - <https://docs.mongodb.com/getting-started/shell/tutorial/install-mongodb-on-os-x/>
- Windows
  - <https://docs.mongodb.com/getting-started/shell/tutorial/install-mongodb-on-windows/>

# NoSQL

mongoDB – start, stop, restart

- Linux/Mac

```
$ sudo service mongod start
```

```
$ sudo service mongod stop
```

```
$ sudo service mongod restart
```

```
$ mongod
```

- Windows

```
$ C:\> "C:\Program Files\MongoDB\Server\3.2\bin\mongod.exe"
```

```
$ C:\> "net start MongoDB"
```

```
$ C:\> "net stopMongoDB"
```

# NoSQL

mongoDB – mongo shell

- Once you have installed and starte MongoDB, connect to the mongo shell
  - Linux/Mac
    - \$ mongo
  - Windows
    - \$ C:\> "mongo.exe"
- Many options, check the help
  - > help

# NoSQL

## mongoDB – databases and collections

- BSON documents are stored in collections, collections in databases
- Select a database in the mongo shell
  - > use myDB
- Create a database
  - DB does not have to exist yet
  - > use myNewDB
  - > db.myNewCollection1.insert({x:1})
- Collections (~tables in relational databases)
  - Collection does not have to exist yet
  - > db.myNewCollection2.insert( { x: 1 } )
  - > db.myNewCollection3.createIndex( { y: 1 } )



# NoSQL

## mongoDB – documents

- Records = documents
  - Field and value pairs
  - Values of field may include other documents, arrays, and arrays of documents

```
{  
  name: "sue",  
  age: 26,  
  status: "A",  
  groups: [ "news", "sports" ]  
}
```



← field: value  
← field: value  
← field: value  
← field: value

- Advantages of documents
  - Similar to programming languages
  - Less need for joins
  - Polymorphism

# NoSQL

## mongoDB – data types

```
var mydoc = {  
  _id: ObjectId("5099803df3f4948bd2f98391"),  
  name: { first: "Alan", last: "Turing" },  
  birth: new Date('Jun 23, 1912'),  
  death: new Date('Jun 07, 1954'),  
  contribs: [ "Turing machine", "Turing test", "Turingery" ],  
  views : NumberLong(1250000)  
}
```

# NoSQL

## mongoDB – field names

- Strings with restrictions
  - The field name `_id` is reserved for use as a primary key; its value must be unique in the collection, is immutable, and may be of any type other than an array.
  - The field names cannot start with the dollar sign (\$) character.
  - The field names cannot contain the dot (.) character.
  - The field names cannot contain the null character.

# NoSQL

## mongoDB – dot notation

- MongoDB uses the dot notation to access the elements of an array and to access the fields of an embedded document.
  - Arrays: use zero-based index
  - Embedded documents: use field name

```
var mydoc = {  
  _id: ObjectId("5099803df3f4948bd2f98391"),  
  name: { first: "Alan", last: "Turing" },  
  birth: new Date('Jun 23, 1912'),  
  death: new Date('Jun 07, 1954'),  
  contribs: [ "Turing machine", "Turing test", "Turingery" ],  
  views : NumberLong(1250000)  
}
```



# NoSQL

## mongoDB – \_id field

- Primary key
- By default, MongoDB creates a unique index on the \_id field during the creation of a collection
  - ObjectId
  - Always first field in document
  - If not, moved to beginning by DB
- May contain values of any BSON data type, other than an array.

# NoSQL

## mongoDB – BSON data types

- ObjectId
  - small, likely unique, fast to generate, and ordered
    - a 4-byte value representing the seconds since the Unix epoch,
    - a 3-byte machine identifier,
    - a 2-byte process id, and
    - a 3-byte counter, starting with a random value.
- String
- Timestamp
  - Internal MongoDB use
    - the first 32 bits are a time\_t value (seconds since the Unix epoch)
    - the second 32 bits are an incrementing ordinal for operations within a given second.
- Date
  - number of milliseconds since the Unix epoch

# NoSQL

## mongoDB – mongo shell (continued)

- See all databases on the server
  - > `show dbs`
- List all methods you can use on your db object
  - > `db.help()`
- See all collections in a database
  - > `show collections`
- List all methods you can use on your collection object
  - > `db.collection.help()`
- List all cursor methods
  - > `db.collection.find().help()`

# NoSQL

## Query optimization

- Create index
- Query selectivity
  - Less selective queries match larger percentage of documents
    - Unable to use indexes (effectively)
- Covered query
  - All the fields in the query are part of an index
  - All the fields returned in the results are in the same index
- Limit number of query results
  - `limit()` method
  - Reduces network demand
- Return only necessary data
  - Use query projections

# NoSQL

## mongoDB – create operations

- Add new documents to a collection
  - > `db.collection.insert()`
  - > `db.collection.insertOne()`
  - > `db.collection.insertMany()`

```
db.users.insert (  ← collection
{
  name: "sue",      ← field: value
  age: 26,          ← field: value
  status: "A"       ← field: value
}
)                  } document
```

# NoSQL

## mongoDB – create operations

- Collection created if not exists
- `db.collection.insertOne()`
  - Insert a single document into a collection
- `db.collection.insertMany()`
  - Insert multiple documents into a collection
- `db.collection.insert()`
  - Insert a single or multiple documents into a collection

# NoSQL

## Exercises

- Create a collection `users` and add yourself to it (name, age, sex)
- Add some more users using a different command

# NoSQL

## mongoDB – read operations

- Retrieve documents from a collection
  - > `db.collection.find()`
  - > `db.collection.findOne()`

```
db.users.find(  
  { age: { $gt: 18 } },  
  { name: 1, address: 1 }  
) .limit(5)
```

← collection  
← query criteria  
← projection  
← cursor modifier



# NoSQL

## mongoDB – read operations

- `db.collection.find()` returns a cursor to the matching documents
- Optional fields are possible
  - Query filter
  - Query projection
- Cursor modifier if wanted

# NoSQL

## mongoDB – query filter

- Specify equality condition
  - > `db.collection.find({ <field1>: <value1>, ... })`
- Use query operators
  - > `db.collection.find({ <field1>: { <operator1>: <value1> }, ... })`
- AND conditions
  - By default when specifying multiple conditions
- OR conditions
  - > `db.collection.find({ $or: { < field1 >: <value1> }, { < field2 >: <value2> } })`

# NoSQL

## mongoDB – query operators

- Comparison

{ <field>: { <operator>: <value> } }	
\$eq	Values that are equal to a specified value
\$gt	Values that are greater than a specified value
\$gte	Values that are greater than or equal to a specific value
\$lt	Values that are less than a specified value
\$lte	Values that are less than or equal to a specific value
\$ne	Values that are not equal to a specified value
{ field: { <operator>: [<value1>, <value2>, ... <valueN> ] } }	
\$in	Any of the values specified in an array
\$nin	None of the values specified in an array

# NoSQL

## mongoDB – query operators

- Logical

{ <operator>: [ { <expression1> }, { <expression2> }, ... , { <expressionN> } ] }	
\$or	All documents that match the conditions of either clause
\$and	All documents that match the conditions of both clauses
\$nor	All documents that fail to match both clauses
{ field: { \$not: { <operator-expression> } } }	
\$not	All documents that do not match the query expression

- Element

{ field: { \$exists: <boolean> } }	
\$exists	All documents that have the specified field

# NoSQL

## mongoDB – query operators

- Array

<code>{ &lt;field&gt;: { \$all: [ &lt;value1&gt; , &lt;value2&gt; ... ] } }</code>	
<code>\$all</code>	Arrays that contain all elements specified in the query
<code>{ &lt;field&gt;: { \$elemMatch: { &lt;query1&gt;, &lt;query2&gt;, ... } } }</code>	
<code>\$elemMatch</code>	Documents where the element in the array field matches all the specified <code>\$elemMatch</code> conditions
<code>{ field: { \$size: 2 } }</code>	
<code>\$size</code>	Documents if the array field is a specified size

# NoSQL

mongoDB – query projection

```
{ field1: <value>, field2: <value> ... }
```

- Value can be any of the following
  - 1 or true
  - 0 or false
  - Expression using projection operators

# NoSQL

## mongoDB –projection operators

<code>db.collection.find( { &lt;array&gt;: &lt;value&gt; ... }, { "&lt;array&gt;.\$": 1 } )</code>	
<code>\$</code>	First element in an array that matches the query condition
<code>{ &lt;field&gt;: { \$elemMatch: { &lt;query1&gt;, &lt;query2&gt;, ... } } }</code>	
<code>\$elemMatch</code>	First element in an array that matches all the specified <code>\$elemMatch</code> conditions

# NoSQL

## mongoDB – cursor modifier

- Methods that modify the way that the underlying query is executed
  - `sort()`
    - Returns results ordered according to a sort specification
  - `count()`
    - Returns the number of documents in the result set
  - `hasNext()`
    - Returns true if the cursor has documents and can be iterated
  - `next()`
    - Returns the next document in a cursor.
  - `limit()`
    - Constrains the size of a cursor's result set.
  - `skip()`
    - Returns a cursor that begins returning results only after passing or skipping a number of documents.
  - `size()`
    - Returns a count of the documents in the cursor after applying `skip()` and `limit()` methods.



# NoSQL

## Exercises

- Populate your collection using the contents of the file *mongo1.txt*
- Select all documents in the collection
- Select all documents where status field has the value A
- Select all documents in the collection where the status equals "A" and *either* age is less than 30 or type equals 1
- Retrieve all documents from the users collection where status equals either "P" or "D"
- Retrieve all documents where the favorites field is an embedded document that contains only the fields artist equal to "Picasso" and food equal to "pizza", in that order
- Use the dot notation to match all documents where badges is an array that contains "black" as the first element
- Retrieve all documents where the finished array contains at least one element that is greater than (\$gt) 15 and less than (\$lt) 20

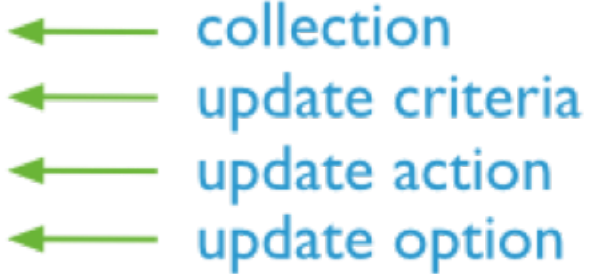
# NoSQL

## mongoDB – update operations

- Modify existing documents in a collection

- > `db.collection.update()`
  - > `db.collection.updateOne()`
  - > `db.collection.updateMany()`
  - > `db.collection.replaceOne()`

```
db.users.update(  
  { age: { $gt: 18 } },  
  { $set: { status: "A" } },  
  { multi: true }  
)
```



← collection

← update criteria

← update action

← update option

# NoSQL

## mongoDB – update operators

<code>{ \$inc: { &lt;field1&gt;: &lt;amount1&gt;, &lt;field2&gt;: &lt;amount2&gt;, ... } }</code>	
<code>\$inc</code>	Increments the value of the field by the specified amount
<code>{ &lt;operator&gt;: { &lt;field1&gt;: &lt;value1&gt;, ... } }</code>	
<code>\$set</code>	Sets the value of a field in a document.
<code>\$addToSet</code>	Adds elements to an array only if they do not already exist in the set.
<code>\$pop</code>	Removes the first or last item of an array.
<code>\$pull</code>	Removes all array elements that match a specified query.
<code>\$push</code>	Adds an item to an array.

# NoSQL

## Exercises

- Update all documents where Picasso is the favorite artist so that the value of the favorites.artist field is "Pisanello" and the value of the type field is 3
- Replace the *first* document that matches the filter name equals "abc" with the new document

```
{ name: "amy", age: 34, type: 2, status: "P", favorites: { "artist": "Dali",  
  food: "donuts" } }
```
- Replace the first document that matches the filter name equals "xyz" with the new document (do not use the same method as before)

```
{ name: "mee", age: 25, type: 1, status: "A", favorites: { "artist": "Matisse",  
  food: "mango" } }
```

# NoSQL

## mongoDB – delete operations

- Add new documents to a collection
  - > `db.collection.remove()`
  - > `db.collection.deleteOne()`
  - > `db.collection.deleteMany()`

```
db.users.remove(  
    { status: "D" }  
)
```

← collection  
← remove criteria

# NoSQL

## Exercises

- Remove all documents from the users collection where the status field equals "P"
- Remove the first document from the users collection where the status field equals "D" (2 ways)

# NoSQL

## MongoDB vs. SQL

MongoDB	SQL
database	database
collection	table
document	row
field	column
index	index
Primary key	Primary key
Embedded documents	joins

# NoSQL

## mongoDB – aggregation

- aggregate() method
    - Return states with populations above 10 Million
- ```
> db.zipcodes.aggregate( [  
  { $group: { _id: "$state", totalPop: { $sum: "$pop" } } },  
  { $match: { totalPop: { $gte: 10*1000*1000 } } } ] )
```

```
SELECT state, SUM(pop) AS totalPop  
FROM zipcodes  
GROUP BY state  
HAVING totalPop >= (10*1000*1000)
```

- Many aggregation pipeline operators
  - \$sum, \$avg, \$group, \$match, \$limit, \$skip, \$sort, \$concat, ...



# NoSQL

## Exercises

- Import the zipcodes selection from file zips.json  
\$ mongoimport zips.json
- Return average city population by state
- Return largest and smallest cities by state

# NoSQL

## mongoDB - GUI

- MongoDB Compass
  - Visually explore your data
  - Interact with your data with full CRUD functionality
  - Run ad hoc queries
  - View detailed information about indexes
  - View visual explain plans to help optimize query performance
- Robo 3T
  - Full Power of a MongoDB Java Script environment. Robo 3T embeds a complete JavaScript engine (based on Mozilla SpiderMonkey).
  - Multiple Shells. Open as many shells as you need. Every tab in Robo 3T is a MongoDB shell, fully isolated from each other.
  - Multiple Results. Robo 3T executes your code in statement by statement way. That means that you will receive as many result as many statements you have.
  - Autocompletion. Robo 3T provides you with autocompletion for all objects (and thus functions) that are known by JavaScript runtime, including autocompletion for databases, collections and even your document objects.
  - Cross-platform, open source.

# Databases in bioinformatics

Why?

- Make biological data available to scientists
  - Collect data in a single place
  - Published data may be difficult to find (time-consuming)
- Make biological data available in computer-readable form
  - Needed for analysis

# Databases in bioinformatics

## Types of databases

- Characterisation based on several properties
  - Type of data
  - Data entry and quality control
  - Primary or derived data
  - Technical design
  - Maintainer status
  - Availability

# Databases in bioinformatics

## Types of databases

- Type of data
  - Nucleotide sequences
  - Protein sequences
  - Gene expression data
  - Metabolic pathways
  - 3D structures

# Databases in bioinformatics

## Types of databases

- Data entry and quality control
  - Data deposited directly
  - Appointed curators add and update data
  - Treatment of erroneous data: removed, or marked
  - Type and degree of error checking

# Databases in bioinformatics

## Types of databases

- Primary or derived data
  - Primary databases: experimental results
  - Secondary databases: results of analysis of primary databases
  - Aggregate of many databases
    - Consolidation of data
    - Combination of data

# Databases in bioinformatics

## Types of databases

- Technical design
  - Flat files
  - Relational database
  - Object oriented database



# Databases in bioinformatics

## Types of databases

- Maintainer status
  - Large, public institution (EMBL, NCBI)
  - Quasi-academic institute (Swiss Institute of Bioinformatics, TIGR)
  - Academic group or scientist
  - Commercial company

# Databases in bioinformatics

## Types of databases

- Availability
  - Publicly available, no restrictions
  - Available, but with copyright
  - Accessible, but not downloadable
  - Academic, but not freely available
  - Commercial

# Databases in bioinformatics

## Identifiers and accession codes

- Identify an entry in two different ways
  - Identifier
    - String of letters and digits (understandable)
    - Can usually change
  - Accession code (or number)
    - Number that uniquely identifies an entry in its database
    - Stable

# Databases in bioinformatics

## Primary nucleotide sequence databases

- 3 main databases
  - EMBL (ENA), GenBank, DDBJ
  - Little error checking
  - Redundancy
  - Synchronized on a daily basis
  - No legal restrictions

# Databases in bioinformatics

## Primary nucleotide sequence databases

- European Nucleotide Archive
  - DNA and RNA sequences
  - 3 databases
    - Sequence Read Archive
    - Trace Archive
    - EMBL Nucleotide Sequence Database
  - Maintained by European Bioinformatics Institute
  - XML, HTML, FASTA, FASTQ
  - <http://www.ebi.ac.uk/ena>



# Databases in bioinformatics

## Primary nucleotide sequence databases

- GenBank
  - Open access
  - Publicly available nucleotide sequences and their protein translations
  - More than 100000 distinct organisms
  - Maintained by National Center for Biotechnology Information (NCBI)
  - Entries retrievable by NCBI GenBank webpage (or FTP)

# Databases in bioinformatics

## The GenBank format

- Flatfile with 3 main sections
  - Header
  - Features
  - Sequence

NCBI Resources How To Sign In to NCBI

Nucleotide Nucleotide Search Help

Display Settings: GenBank Send

Change region shown

Customize view

Analyze this sequence

Run BLAST

Pick Primers

Highlight Sequence Features

Find in this Sequence

LinkOut to external resources

FlyBase [FlyBase]

Order EIF4E cDNA clone/Protein/Antibody/RNAi [OrfGene]

Related information

Gene

GeneView in dbSNP

Map Viewer

Protein

PubMed

PubMed (Weighted)

Taxonomy

Recent activity

Turn Off Clear

Drosophila melanogaster eukaryotic initiation factor 4E (eIF4E) gene, alternative splice products, complete cds

RefSeq Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ) - RefSeq Help

BY020330 RIKEN full-length enriched, mammary gland RCB-0526 Zyg-MC(A) EST

PUAA gene transcription can enhance the sensitivity of epirubicin-induced apopt

p53 (76640) Published

See more...

LOCUS DROS4469 2881 bp DNA linear INV 22-SEP-2008

DEFINITION Drosophila melanogaster eukaryotic initiation factor 4E (eIF4E) gene, alternative splice products, complete cds.

ACCESSION U54469

VERSION U54469.1 GI:1322283

KEYWORDS -

SOURCE Drosophila melanogaster (fruit fly)

ORGANISM Drosophila melanogaster

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LAVIDE,C.A., LACHANCE,P.E., SONENBERG,N. and LASKO,P.

ALTERNATIVELY SPLICED TRANSCRIPTS FROM THE DROSOPHILA eIF4E GENE PRODUCE TWO DIFFERENT CAP-BINDING PROTEINS

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FEATURES

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ORIGIN

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# Databases in bioinformatics

## Primary nucleotide sequence databases

- DNA Data Bank of Japan
  - DNA sequences
  - Only nucleotide sequence data bank in Asia
  - <http://www.ddbj.nig.ac.jp/>





# Databases in bioinformatics

## Secondary nucleotide sequence databases

- RefSeq
  - DNA, RNA and their protein products
  - Annotated and curated
  - Single record for each natural biological molecule
- OMIM
  - Catalog of human genes and genetic disorders and traits
  - Based on selection and review of published peer-reviewed literature
- HapMap
  - Haplotype map of the human genome
  - Genetic variants affecting health, disease and responses to drugs and environmental factors

# Databases in bioinformatics

## Other nucleic acid databases

- Gene expression databases
  - Mostly microarray data
  - a.o. Gene Expression Omnibus, Expression Atlas, ...
- Gene ontology
  - Relationships between concepts within a domain
- Genome databases
  - Annotated and analyzed genome sequences
  - a.o. Ensembl (Genomes), Flybase, Wormbase, ...
- Phenotype databases
  - a.o. PhenCode
- RNA databases
  - a.o. miRBase, LNCipedia, ...

# Databases in bioinformatics

## Sequencing databases

- Datasets from sequencing experiments
  - Sequence Read Archive
    - Hosted by NCBI
    - Raw data in BAM-format
    - Experimental metadata available
  - European Genome-phenome Archive
    - Hosted by EMBL-EBI
    - Data not publicly available

# Databases in bioinformatics

## Protein databases

- Protein sequence
  - Derived from translation of nucleotide sequences
    - secondary databases: NCBI Protein and trEMBL
  - Computational analysis, manual review and annotation
    - SwissProt
- Protein structure
  - a.o. Protein Data Bank, NCBI Structure

# Databases in bioinformatics

## The General Feature Format (GFF)

- Features of a particular gene, DNA and protein sequence
  - Tab-delimited
  - One line per feature, all but the final field in each feature line must contain a value; "empty" columns should be denoted with a '.'
    - **seqname** - name of the chromosome or scaffold; chromosome names can be given with or without the 'chr' prefix. **Important note:** the seqname must be one used within Ensembl, i.e. a standard chromosome name or an Ensembl identifier such as a scaffold ID, without any additional content such as species or assembly. See the example GFF output below.
    - **source** - name of the program that generated this feature, or the data source (database or project name)
    - **feature** - feature type name, e.g. Gene, Variation, Similarity
    - **start** - Start position of the feature, with sequence numbering starting at 1.
    - **end** - End position of the feature, with sequence numbering starting at 1.
    - **score** - A floating point value.
    - **strand** - defined as + (forward) or - (reverse).
    - **frame** - One of '0', '1' or '2'. '0' indicates that the first base of the feature is the first base of a codon, '1' that the second base is the first base of a codon, and so on..
    - **attribute** - A semicolon-separated list of tag-value pairs, providing additional information about each feature.

# Databases in bioinformatics

## The General Feature Format (GFF)

```
##gff-version 3
##sequence-region P69905 1 142
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# Databases in bioinformatics

## Genome browsers

- Graphical interface for genomic data
  - UCSC genome browser
    - Search by gene name
    - Search by location (chrN:startposition-stopposition)
  - Ensembl genome browser
    - Annotated genes aligned to a reference genome
    - Export data in multiple format (FASTA, GFF, EMBL, ...)

# Databases in bioinformatics

## Exercices

- What information about the rabies virus sequence can you obtain from its annotations in the NCBI Sequence Database? Give the accession number, definition, organism and PubMed ID of the record.
- How many nucleotide sequences are there from the bacterium *Chlamydia trachomatis*?
- How many nucleotide sequences are there from the bacterium *Chlamydia trachomatis* in the RefSeq part of the NCBI Sequence Database?
- How many nucleotide sequences were submitted to NCBI by Matthew Berriman?
- How many nucleotide sequences from the nematode worms are there in the RefSeq Database?



# Databases in bioinformatics

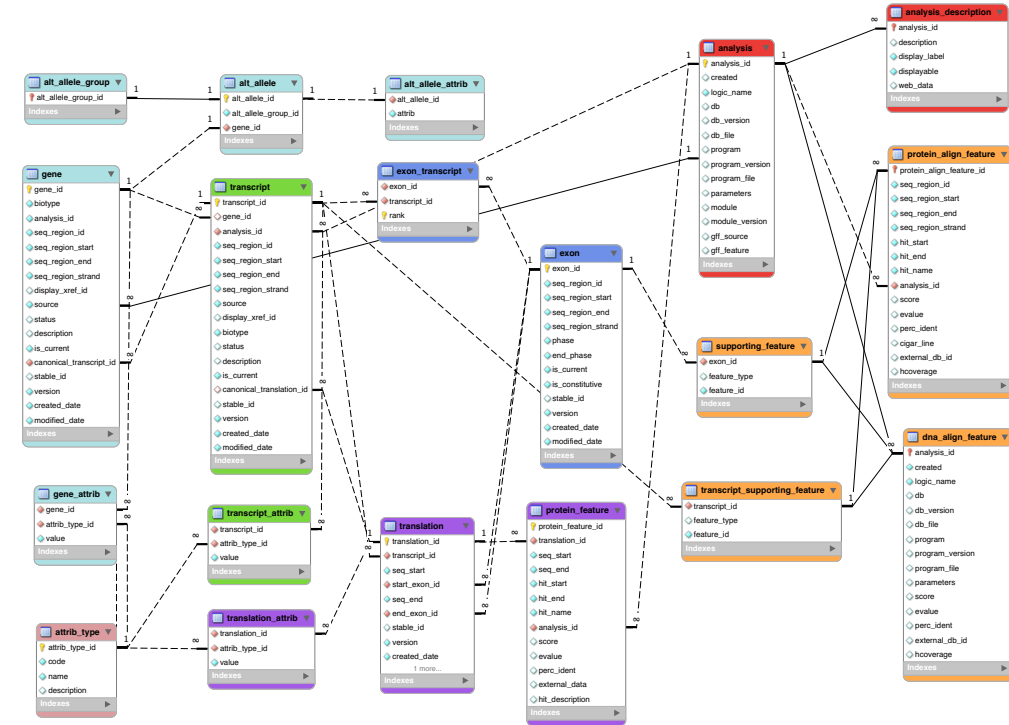
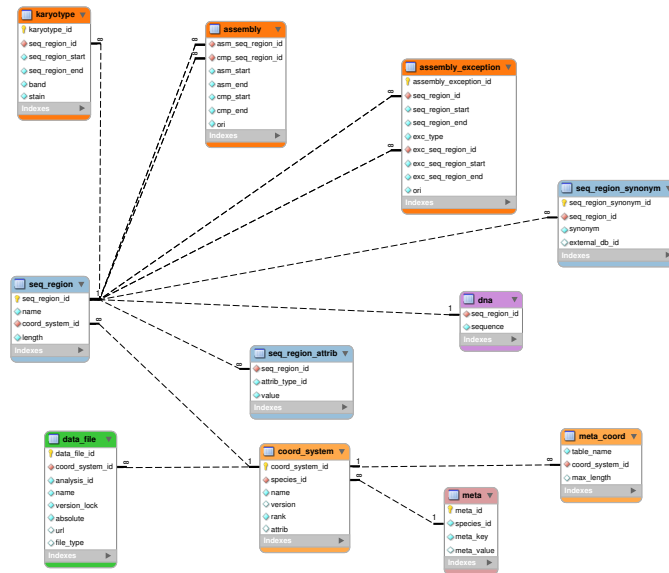
## Query MySQL databases directly

- UCSC
  - Hostname genome-mysql.cse.ucsc.edu
  - User genome
  - Password
- Gene Ontology
  - Hostname mysql-amigo.ebi.ac.uk
  - User go\_select
  - Password amigo
  - Database go\_latest
  - Port 4085
- Ensembl
  - Hostname ensemblldb.ensembl.org
  - User anonymous
  - Password

# Databases in bioinformatics

## Ensembl database

- Complex database schemas
- Not suited to retrieve sequences



# Databases in bioinformatics

## API

- Uniform method of access to data
- Reusable in different systems
- Reliable
- Insulates developers to underlying database changes

# Databases in bioinformatics

## Ensembl API

- Perl API
- Installation instructions on Ensembl website
- Different versions based on Ensembl release
- Use Registry to find Ensembl database and connect to them

```
Bio::EnsEMBL::Registry->load_registry_from_db(  
    -host => 'ensemldb.ensembl.org',  
    -user => 'anonymous',  
    -verbose => '1'  
);
```

# Databases in bioinformatics

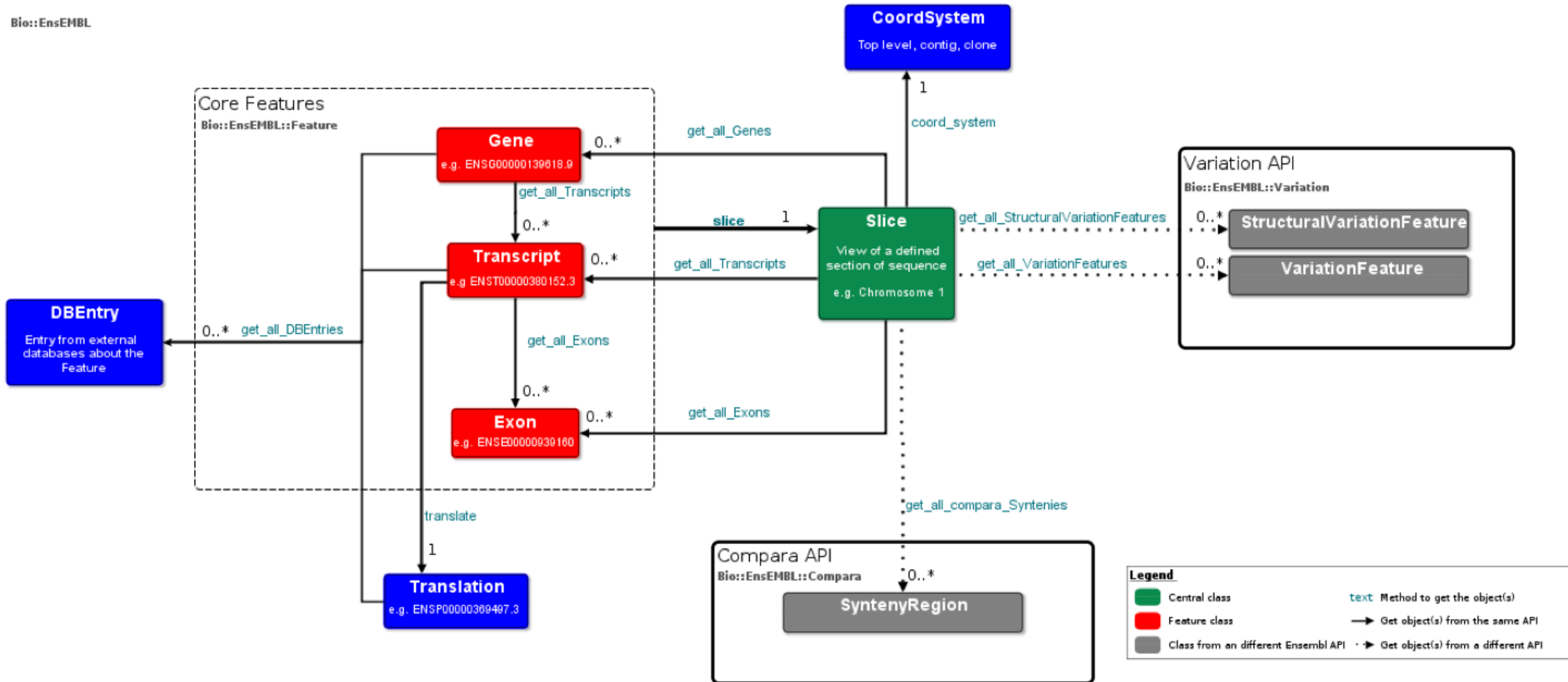
## Ensembl API

- Several databases
  - Core (genes, transcripts, translations, assembly, sequence)
  - Compara (SNVs, CNVs, somatic variations, phenotypes)
  - Variation (gene trees, homologies, multiple and pairwise genomic alignments)
  - Regulation (regulation, motifs, array probes)

# Databases in bioinformatics

## Ensembl Core API Overview - Slice centered

Bio::Ensembl



# Databases in bioinformatics

## Ensembl API

- Core database
  - Annotation information for each organism in Ensembl
  - Species specific databases

```
# get a slice adaptor for the human core database
my $slice_adaptor = $registry->get_adaptor( 'Human', 'Core', 'Slice' );

# Fetch all clones from a slice adaptor (returns a list reference)
my $clones_ref = $slice_adaptor->fetch_all('clone');

# If you want a copy of the contents of the list referenced by
# the $clones_ref reference...
my @clones = @{$clones_ref};

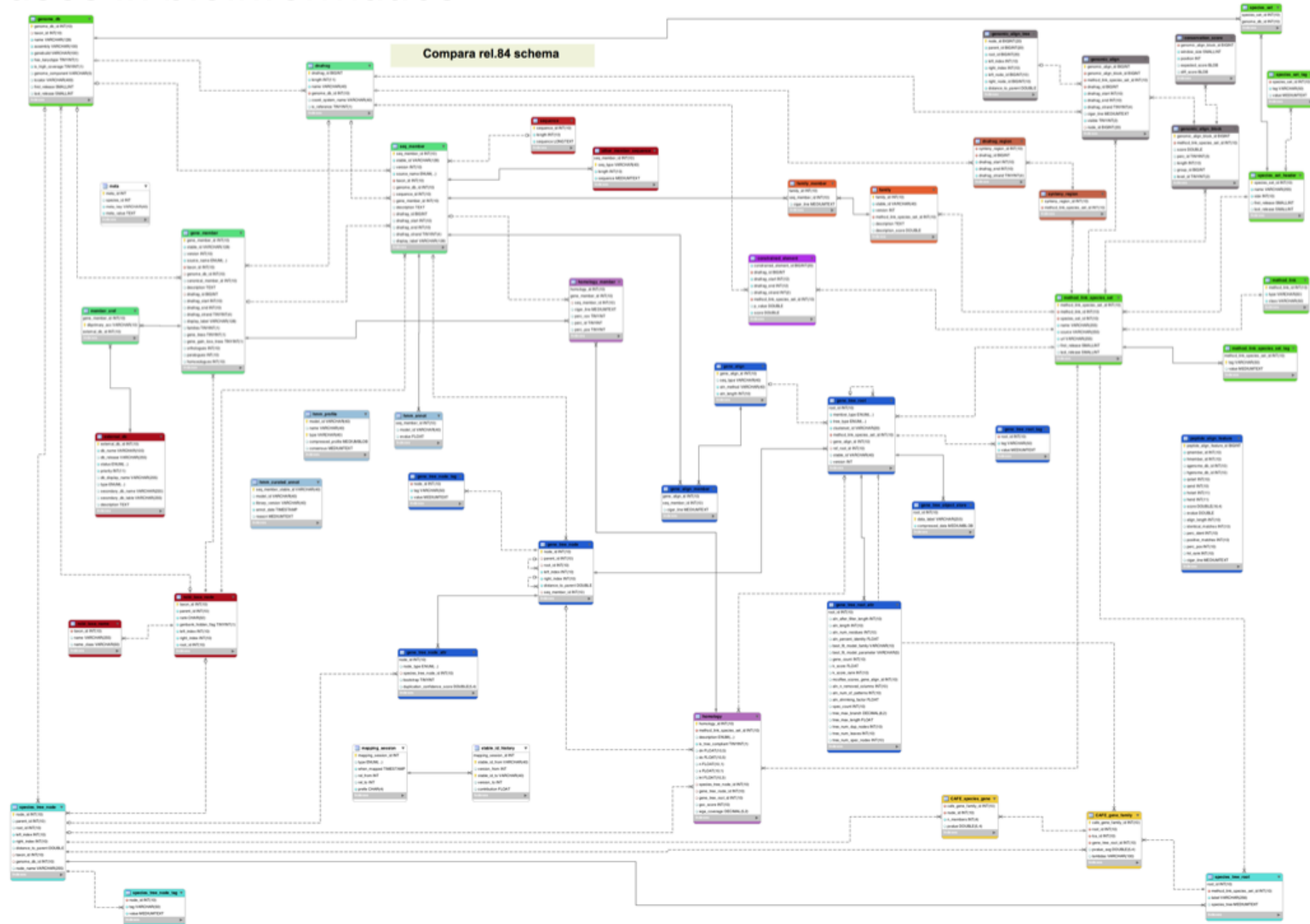
# Get the first clone from the list via the reference:
my $first_clone = $clones_ref->[0];

# Iterate through all of the genes on a clone
foreach my $gene ( @{$first_clone->get_all_Genes() } ) {
    print $gene->stable_id(), "\n";
}

# More memory efficient way of doing the same thing
my $genes = $first_clone->get_all_Genes();
while ( my $gene = shift @{$genes} ) {
    print $gene->stable_id(), "\n";
}

# Retrieve a single Slice object (not a list reference)
my $clone = $slice_adaptor->fetch_by_region( 'clone', 'AL031658.11' );
# No dereferencing needed:
print $clone->seq_region_name(), "\n";
```

# Databases in bioinformatics



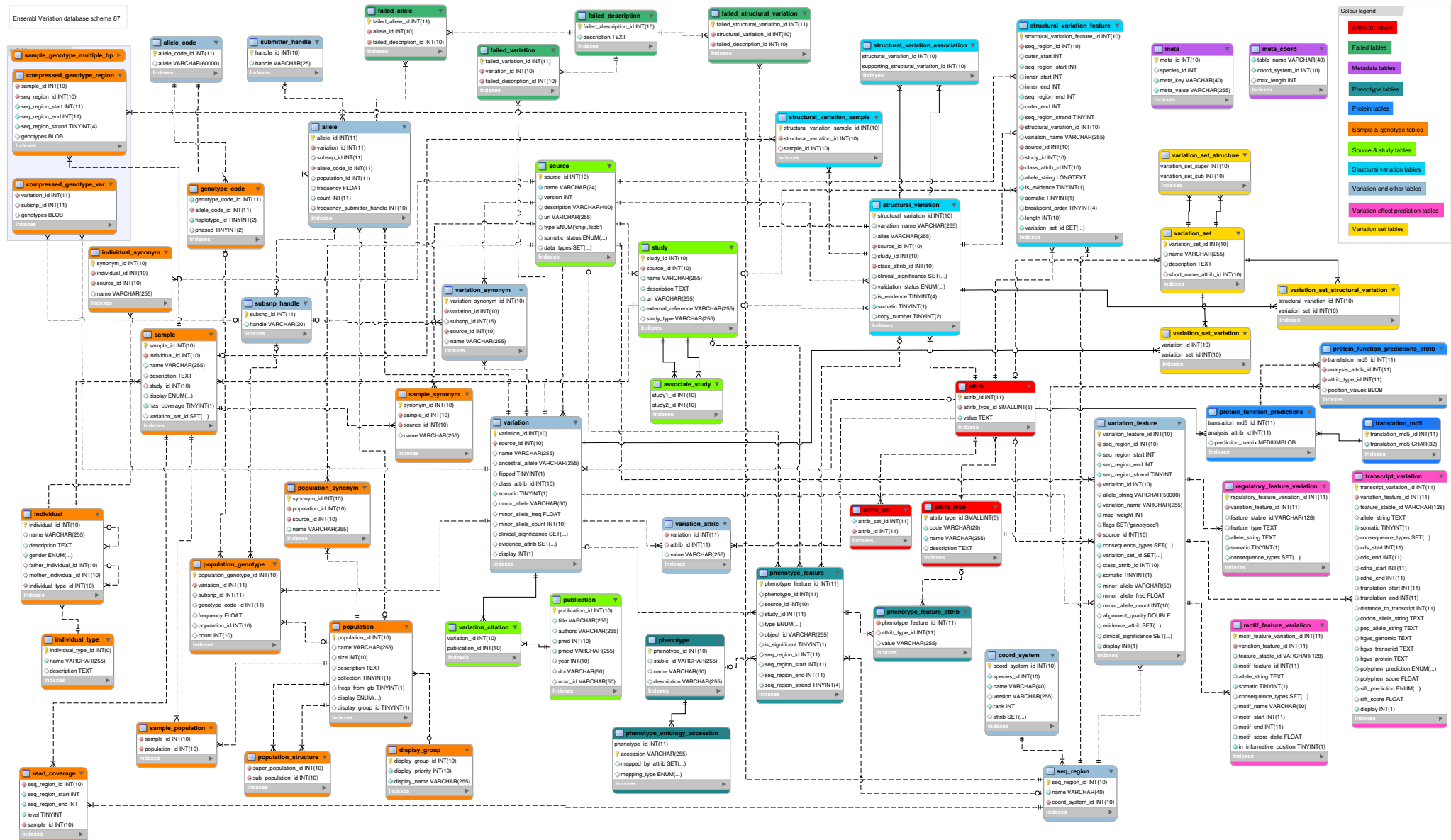


# Databases in bioinformatics

## Ensembl API

- Compara database
  - Cross-species database
  - Genome-wide species comparisons
    - DNA-sequence level
      - Whole genome alignments
      - Synteny regions
      - Conservation scores / constrained elements
  - Gene level
    - Phylogenetic trees
    - Homology predictions

# Databases in bioinformatics

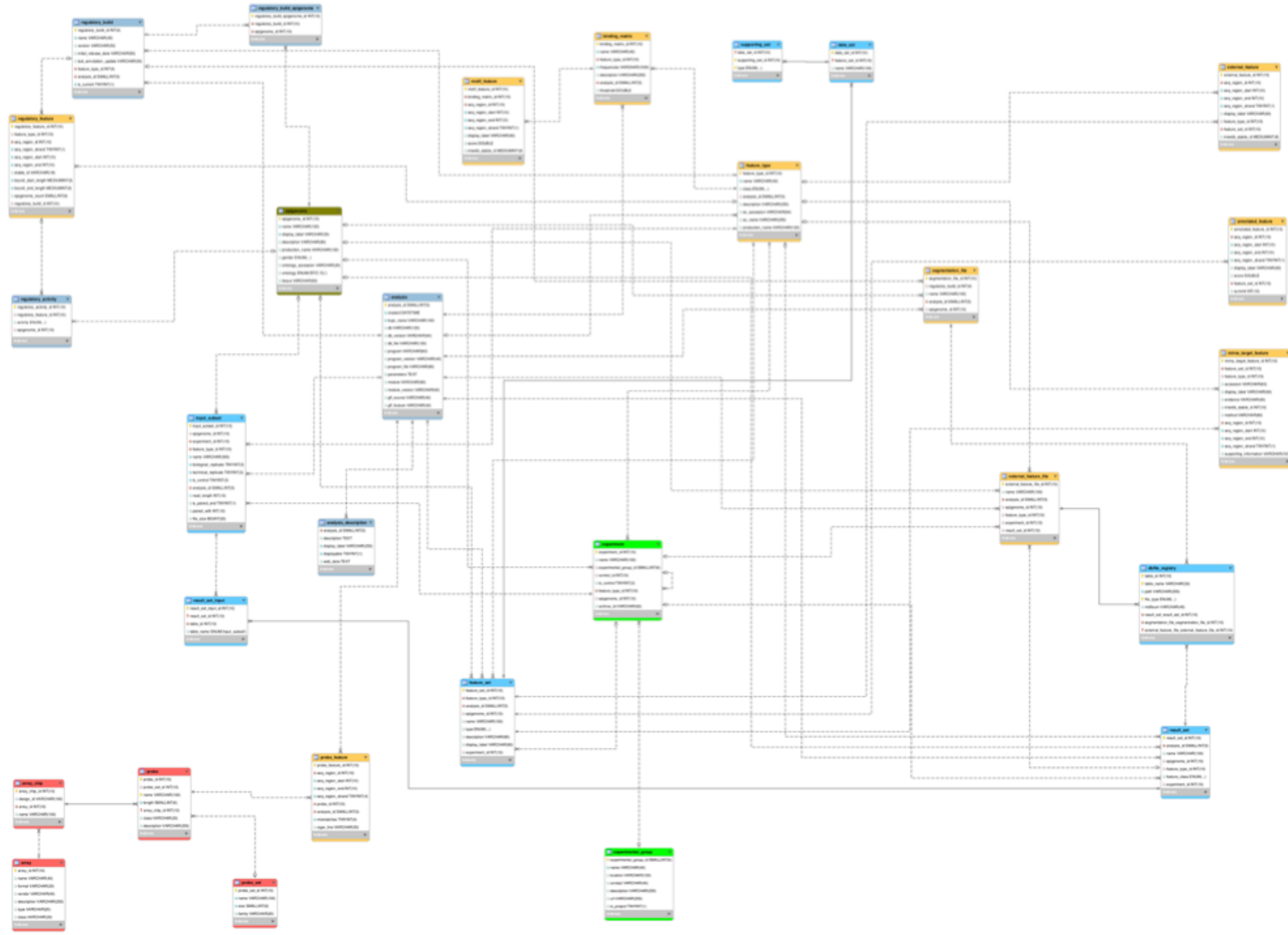


# Databases in bioinformatics

## Ensembl API

- Variation database
  - Areas of the genome that differ between individual genomes
  - Associated disease and phenotype information
  - Different types of variants
    - Sequence variants
      - SNP (Single Nucleotide Polymorphism)
      - Insertion (one or more nucleotides)
      - Deletion (one or more nucleotides)
      - Indel (insertion and deletion, affecting 2 or more nucleotides)
      - Substitution (no change in length)
    - Structural variants
      - CNV (Copy Number Variation)
      - Inversion
      - Translocation

# Databases in bioinformatics



# Databases in bioinformatics

## Ensembl API

- Regulation database
  - Gene expression and its regulation in human and mouse
  - Focus on transcriptional and post-transcriptional mechanisms

# Databases in bioinformatics

## REST API

- Representational state transfer / RESTful
  - Base URL
  - Internet media type
  - Standard HTTP methods
    - OPTIONS
    - GET: list or retrieve
    - PUT: replace or create
    - POST: create new entry
    - DELETE: remove

# Databases in bioinformatics

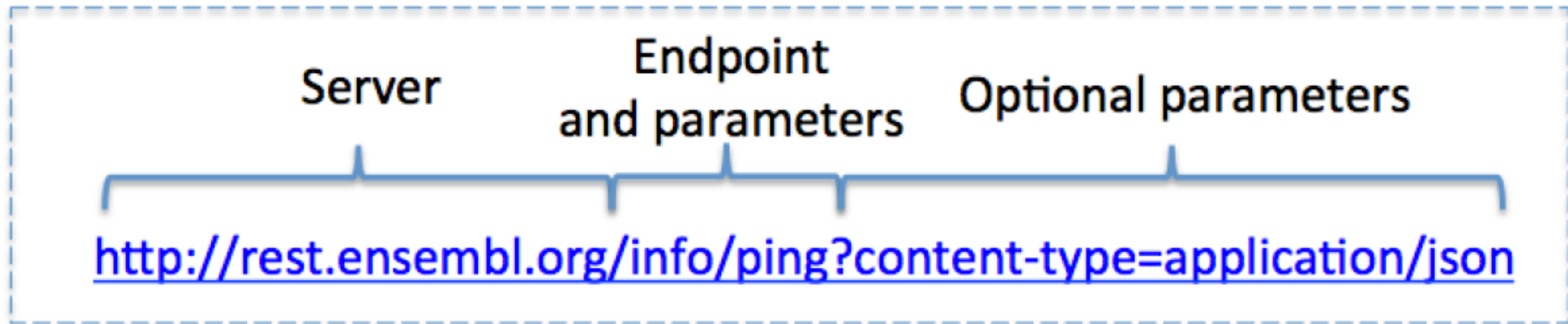
## Ensembl REST API

- <http://rest.ensembl.org>
- Language agnostic bindings to Ensembl data
- Able to create REST client in
  - JAVA
  - Perl
  - Python
  - Ruby

# Databases in bioinformatics

## Ensembl REST API

- URL structure
  - 0 or more required parameters
  - 0 or more optional parameters
  - In a standard URL required parameters are flagged with a : e.g. :species.
  - Optional parameters should go into the request body if performing a POST or as key value pairs after the ? if performing a GET.





# Databases in bioinformatics

## Ensembl REST API

- Parameters
  - Specify what is required and type of returned data from REST API
  - id
  - region
  - species
  - symbol
  - external\_db
  - object\_type
  - callback

# Databases in bioinformatics

## Ensembl REST API

- Output formats
  - JSON, FASTA, BED, XML, ...
  - Depends on client and operation
    - GET
      - Content-type HTTP header
      - Content-type HTTP parameter
      - Accept HTTP header
      - File extension
    - POST
      - Accept HTTP header

# Databases in bioinformatics

## Ensembl REST API – Endpoints

- Archive

|                    |                                                           |
|--------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------|
| GET archive/id/:id | Uses the given identifier to return the archived sequence |
| POST archive/id    | Retrieve the archived sequence for a set of identifiers   |

- Comparative genomics

|                                             |                                                                                             |
|---------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| GET genetree/id/:id                         | Retrieves a gene tree for a gene tree stable identifier                                     |
| GET genetree/member/id/:id                  | Retrieves the gene tree that contains the gene / transcript / translation stable identifier |
| GET genetree/member/symbol/:species/:symbol | Retrieves the gene tree that contains the gene identified by a symbol                       |
| GET alignment/region/:species/:region       | Retrieves genomic alignments as separate blocks based on a region and species               |
| GET homology/id/:id                         | Retrieves homology information (orthologs) by Ensembl gene id                               |
| GET homology/symbol/:species/:symbol        | Retrieves homology information (orthologs) by symbol                                        |

# Databases in bioinformatics

## Ensembl REST API – Endpoints

- Variation

|                            |                                                                                                                                            |
|----------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| GET variation/:species/:id | Uses a variant identifier (e.g. rsID) to return the variation features including optional genotype, phenotype and population data          |
| POST variation/:species    | Uses a list of variant identifiers (e.g. rsID) to return the variation features including optional genotype, phenotype and population data |

- Sequence

|                                      |                                                                                                                         |
|--------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| GET sequence/id/:id                  | Request multiple types of sequence by stable identifier. Supports feature masking and expand options.                   |
| POST sequence/id                     | Request multiple types of sequence by a stable identifier list.                                                         |
| GET sequence/region/:species/:region | Returns the genomic sequence of the specified region of the given species. Supports feature masking and expand options. |
| POST sequence/region/:species        | Request multiple types of sequence by a list of regions.                                                                |

# Databases in bioinformatics

## Exercices

- Return the archived sequence with Ensembl id *ENSG00000141510*
- Return the archived sequence for both *ENSG0000012048* and *ENSG00000136997*
- Return a condensed XML-list of all orthologues in *Mus musculus* for *ENSG00000159763*
  - Do the same for *BRCA2*

*HINTS:*            *type=orthologues*  
                  *target\_taxon=<taxon\_id>*  
                  *format=condensed*

- Retrieve the genomic FASTA sequence for *ENST00000288602.10*
- Get a sequence from 100 nucleotides located on human chromosome 2 starting at position 100000
- Show the taxonomy information of the mouse
- Find the species and the database for *ENSMUSG00000059552*
- Return the length of following chromosomes in human and mouse
  - 2
  - 7
  - X
  - Which are the longest?

# Version control

GIT – Track and store revisions/versions of files

- Help  
\$ git help [*<git\_command>*]
- Configuration  
\$ git config

More info: [Git-it](#)

# Version control

GIT – Track and store revisions/versions of files

- Initialize  
\$ git init
- Show status  
\$ git status
- Track files  
\$ git add <filename>
- Commit changes  
\$ git commit [-m "<commit\_message>"]  
\$ git reset
- Show logs  
\$ git log
- Checkout a commit  
\$ git checkout <checksum>
- Show differences between revisions  
\$ git diff [<checksum1> [<checksum2>]]

# Version control

GIT – Track and store revisions/versions of files

- Branching
  - \$ git branch
  - \$ git branch <'new\_branch'>
- Merging
  - \$ git merge <new\_branch>
  - Merge conflicts: same file modified on 2 separate branches
- Delete branch
  - \$ git branch -d <new\_branch>
- Remotes
  - GitHub (public repositories)
- Clone repository
  - \$ git clone <repository\_name> <local\_dir>
- Update repository
  - \$ git pull <remote\_name> <branch\_name>
- Submit changes
  - \$ git push <remote\_name> <branch\_name>



# Version control

## Exercises

- Create a directory *db\_git* and copy some of the course files to this new directory
- Create a git repository in this directory
  - Make sure your `user_name` and `user_email` are set correctly (HINT: `git config`)
- Commit all `.sql` files and all other files with two different commit messages
  - Check your commit history
- Add a README file to your repository
- Create a second branch in your repository
  - Change to this new branch
  - Add and delete some files
  - Add some lines to your README file
  - Show the differences between your 2 branches
- Include the changes from your new branch into your original branch
- Delete your second branch

# Version control

## Exercises

- Go to <https://github.com/> and create a new repository *db\_github*
- Add the contents of your existing *db\_git* repository to your newly created remote one.
- Check the results