



MSIB32500 Advanced Bioinformatics Spring 2019

# RNAseq Data Analysis and Clinical Applications, Part II

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# Outline

- ▶ Part I (05/25/2019)
  - ▶ Introduction to RNAseq technology and clinical applications
  - ▶ Hands on: From raw data to gene expression quantification
- ▶ Part II (06/01/2019)
  - ▶ Differential gene expression analysis and data visualization
  - ▶ Hands on: Identification of genes and pathways significantly changed under condition
  - ▶ **Homework assignment (DUE 06/08/2019 11:59 PM; and optional tasks)**
- ▶ Part III (06/08/2019)
  - ▶ How to associate gene expression data with clinical outcome
  - ▶ Hands on: Use gene expression data to discover tumor subtypes and survival analysis



# Class materials

- GitHub

- <https://github.com/MScBiomedicalInformatics/MSIB32500>

- This lecture note contains the same contents as the notebook. In addition, the notebook also contains hands-on materials

- **lecture9.pdf**

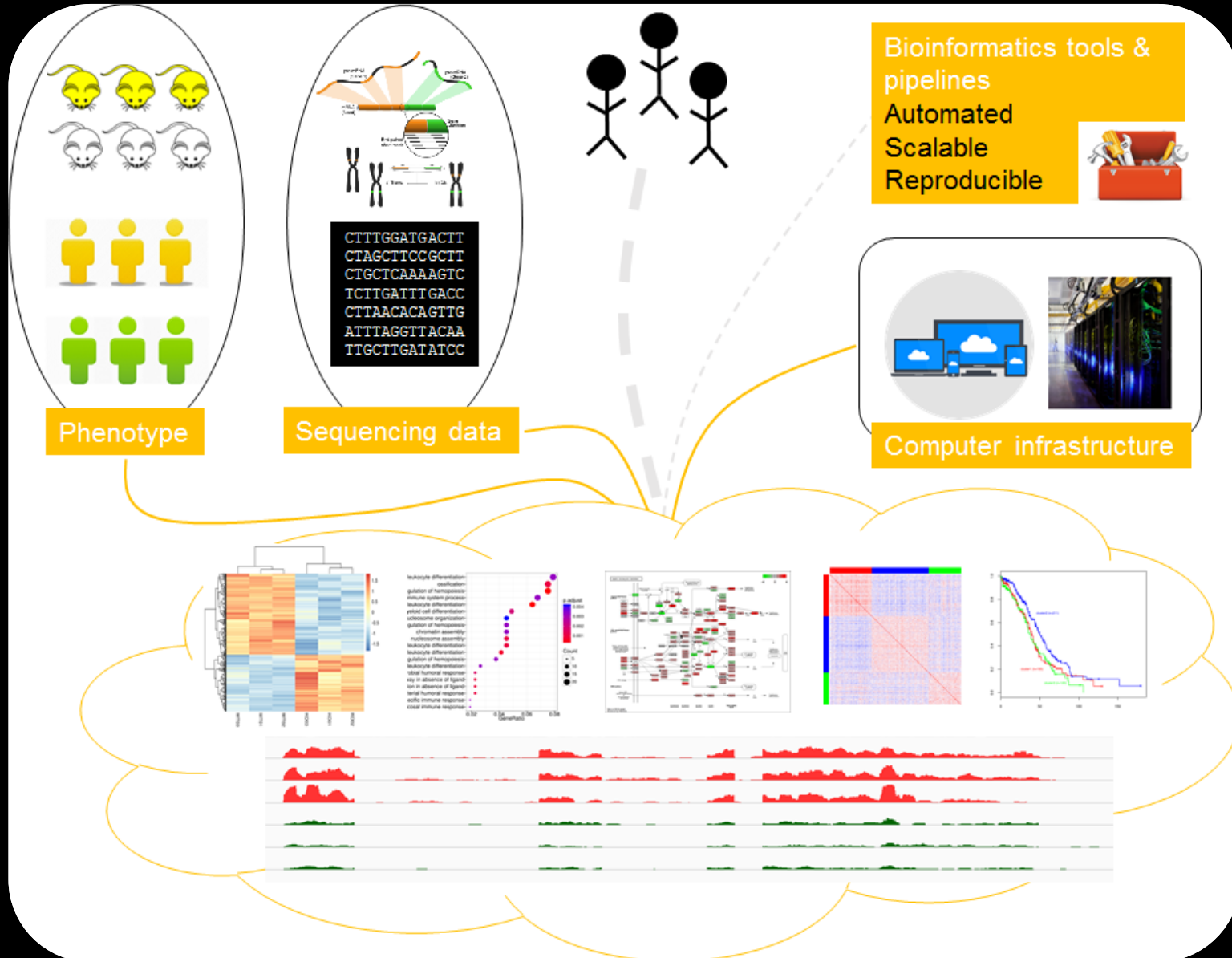
- **Handson9.Rmd**

- Rstudio (or R console) on personal computers (hands on practice)



# Objective

- *(Recap from last class)*
- Detect genes differentially expressed between conditions
- Identify pathways / network enriched in genes of interest
- Generate high-quality figures for publication (PCA, heatmap, sample/gene cluster, GO/pathways, etc.)
- Become familiar with running commands in R / Rstudio

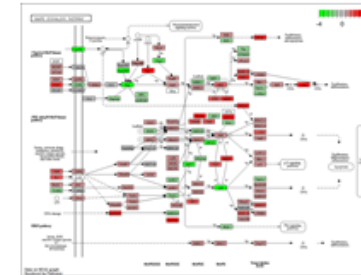
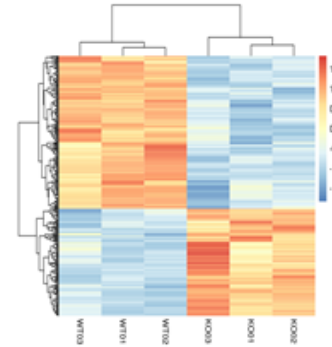
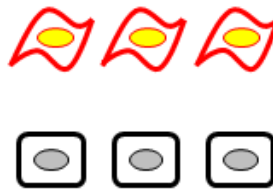


# How to perform RNAseq analysis

The good-practice analysis protocol takes 8 major steps.

- **01-04:** From raw sequencing to transcript quantification
- **05-08:** DEG and pathway analysis (06/01, part II)

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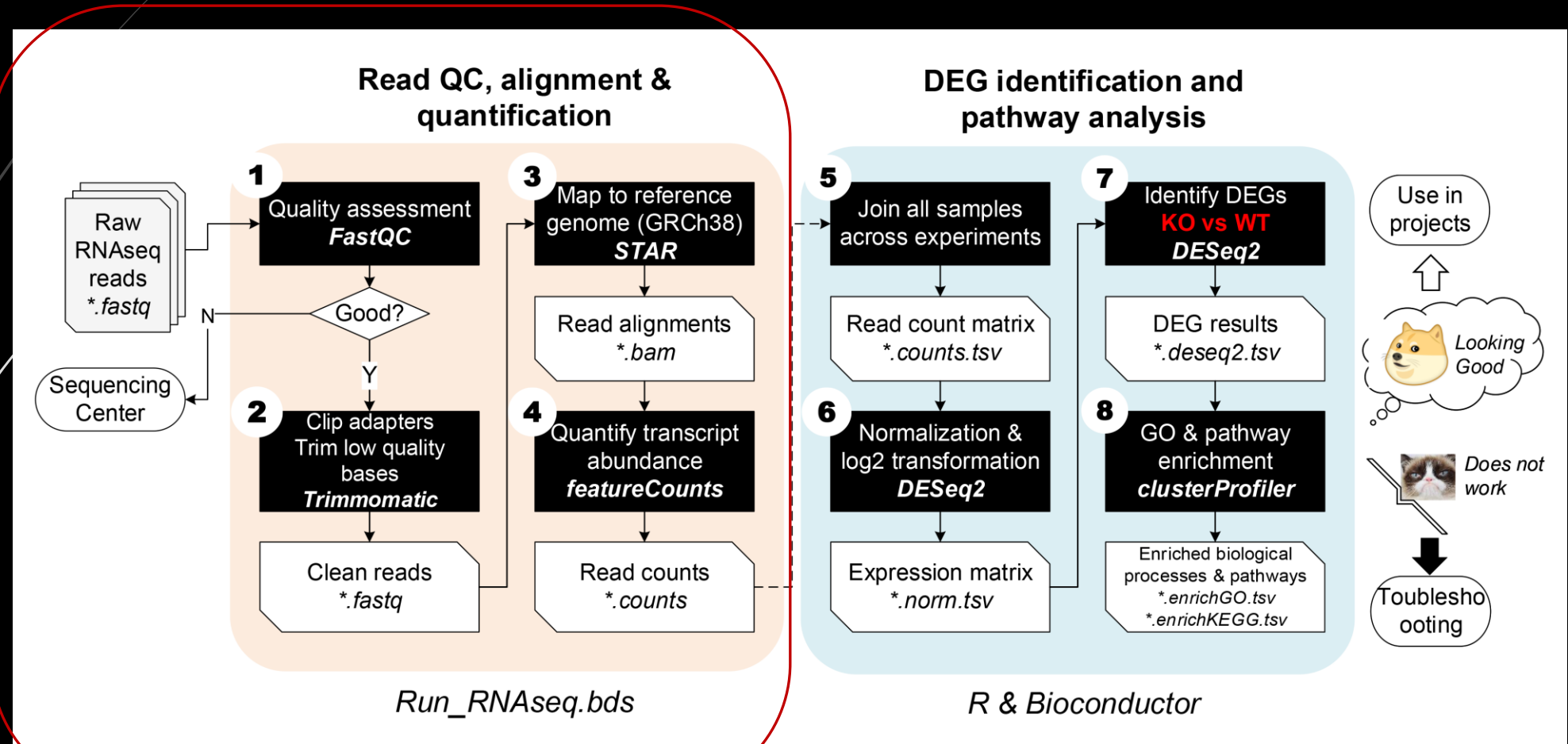


Raw sequencing data + sample group



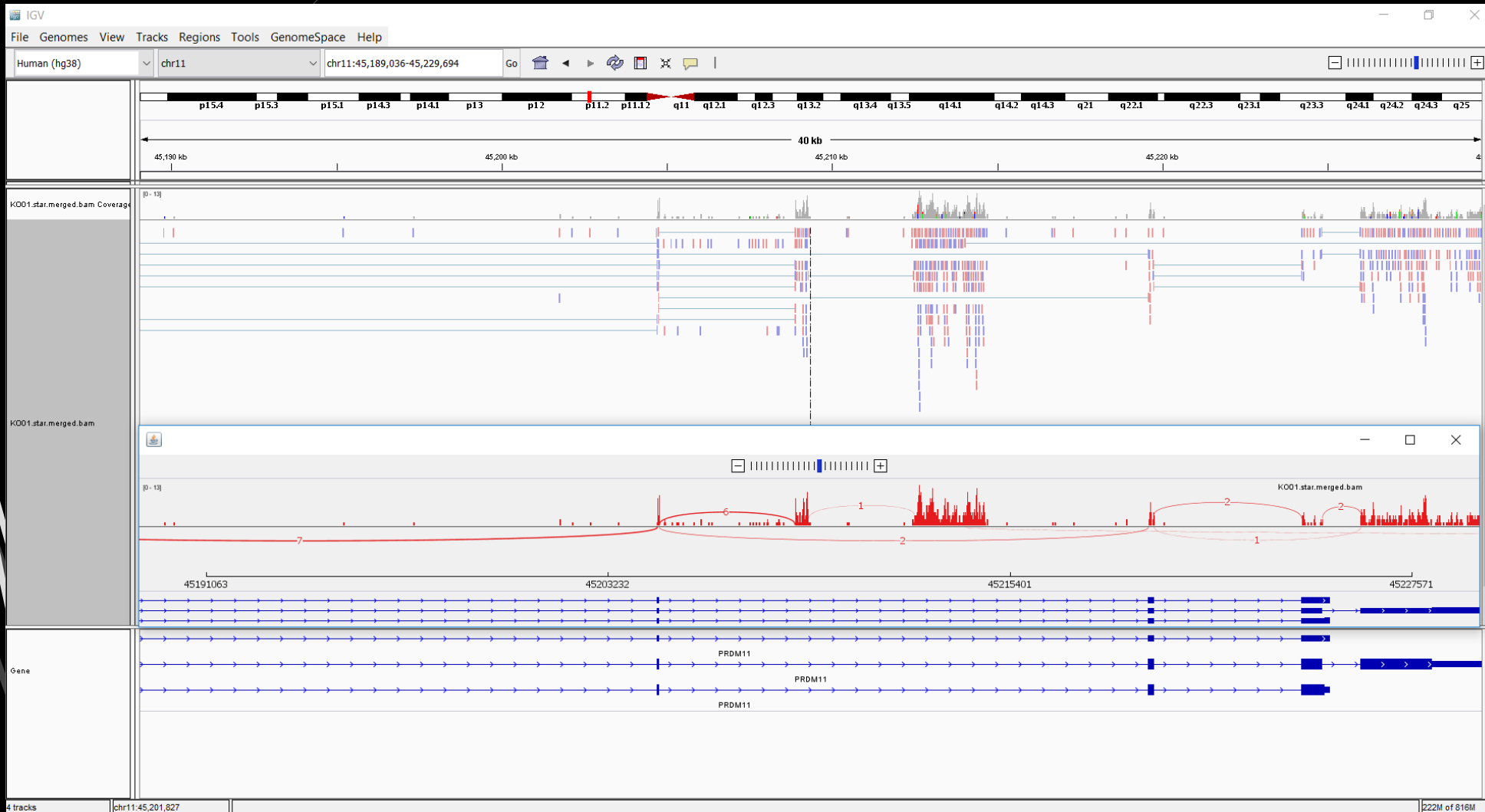
Differentially expressed genes and pathways

# How to perform RNAseq analysis



# IGV (Integrative Genome Viewer)

<http://software.broadinstitute.org/software/igv/home>



- Load existing genomes, or generate custom genomes
- Visualize standard file formats
  - BAM
  - BED
  - GTF
  - ... and more!





# Reference databases

- ▶ **Gene annotation database: GENCODE**
  - ▶ <https://www.gencodegenes.org/>
- ▶ **Ensembl database**
  - ▶ <https://www.ensembl.org/index.html>
- ▶ **UCSC Genome Browser**
  - ▶ <https://genome.ucsc.edu/>
- ▶ **NCBI databases**
  - ▶ <https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/guide/genomes-maps/>
- ▶ **Genomic databases**
  - ▶ GDC: <https://portal.gdc.cancer.gov/>
  - ▶ GTEx: <https://gtexportal.org/home/>
  - ▶ Single-cell RNAseq: [https://portals.broadinstitute.org/single\\_cell](https://portals.broadinstitute.org/single_cell)

[https://www.gencodegenes.org/  
model organisms](https://www.gencodegenes.org/model-organisms)



GENCODE

Data

Stats

DATA  
STATISTICS



HUMAN

GENCODE 28 (05.04.18)

DATA  
STATISTICS



MOUSE

GENCODE M17 (05.04.18)

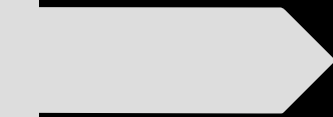
GTF / GFF3 files

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Long non-coding RNA gene annotation	CHR	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>It contains the comprehensive gene annotation of lncRNA genes on the reference chromosomes</li><li>This is a <b>subset</b> of the main annotation file</li></ul>	<a href="#">GTF</a> <a href="#">GFF3</a>
PolyA feature annotation	CHR	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>It contains the polyA features (polyA_signal, polyA_site, pseudo_polyA) manually annotated by HAVANA on the reference chromosomes</li><li>This dataset does <b>not</b> form part of the main annotation file</li></ul>	<a href="#">GTF</a> <a href="#">GFF3</a>
Consensus pseudogenes predicted by the Yale and UCSC pipelines	CHR	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>2-way consensus (retrotransposed) pseudogenes predicted by the Yale and UCSC pipelines, but not by HAVANA, on the reference chromosomes</li><li>This dataset does <b>not</b> form part of the main annotation file</li></ul>	<a href="#">GTF</a> <a href="#">GFF3</a>
Predicted tRNA genes	CHR	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>tRNA genes predicted by ENSEMBL on the reference chromosomes using tRNAscan-SE</li><li>This dataset does <b>not</b> form part of the main annotation file</li></ul>	<a href="#">GTF</a> <a href="#">GFF3</a>

## Version 28 (November 2017 freeze, GRCh38) - Ensembl 92

### General stats

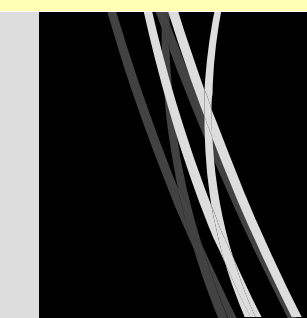
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## Fasta files

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Transcript sequences	CHR	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Nucleotide sequences of all transcripts on the reference chromosomes</li></ul>	<a href="#">Fasta</a>
Protein-coding transcript sequences	CHR	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Nucleotide sequences of coding transcripts on the reference chromosomes</li><li>Transcript biotypes: protein_coding, nonsense_mediated_decay, non_stop_decay, IG_*_gene, TR_*_gene, polymorphic_pseudogene</li></ul>	<a href="#">Fasta</a>
Protein-coding transcript translation sequences	CHR	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Amino acid sequences of coding transcript translations on the reference chromosomes</li><li>Transcript biotypes: protein_coding, nonsense_mediated_decay, non_stop_decay, IG_*_gene, TR_*_gene, polymorphic_pseudogene</li></ul>	<a href="#">Fasta</a>
Long non-coding RNA transcript sequences	CHR	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Nucleotide sequences of long non-coding RNA transcripts on the reference chromosomes</li></ul>	<a href="#">Fasta</a>
Genome sequence (GRCh38.p12)	ALL	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Nucleotide sequence of the GRCh38.p12 genome assembly version on all regions, including reference chromosomes, scaffolds, assembly patches and haplotypes</li><li>The sequence region names are the same as in the GTF/GFF3 files</li></ul>	<a href="#">Fasta</a>
Genome sequence, primary assembly (GRCh38)	PRI	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Nucleotide sequence of the GRCh38 primary genome assembly (chromosomes and scaffolds)</li><li>The sequence region names are the same as in the GTF/GFF3 files</li></ul>	<a href="#">Fasta</a>

- Genome-based alignment: STAR
- Transcriptome-based (pseudo)alignment: Kallisto, Salmon

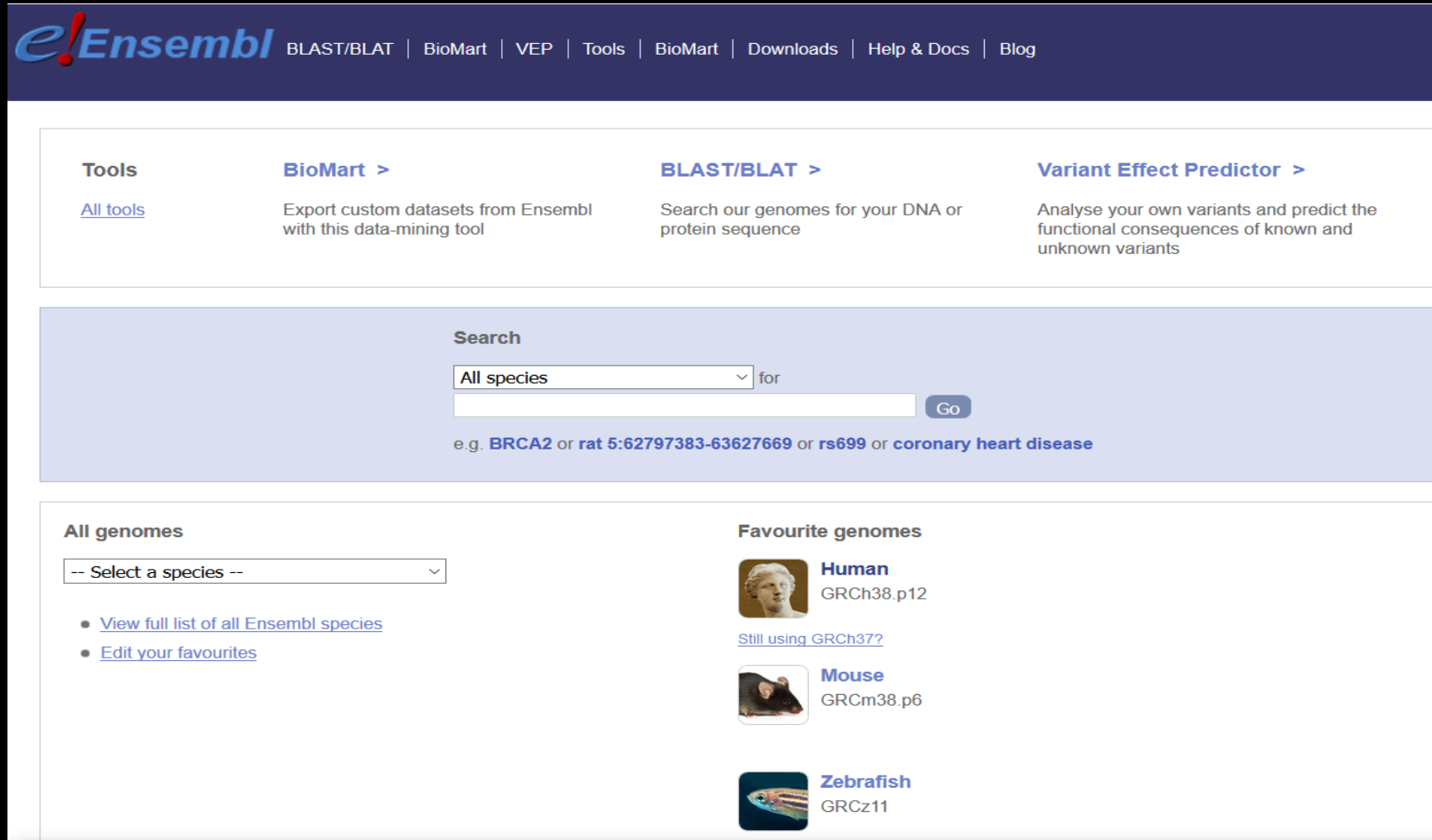


## Metadata files

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Entrez gene ids	ALL	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Entrez gene ids associated to GENCODE transcripts (from Ensembl xref pipeline)</li></ul>	Metadata 
Exon annotation evidence	ALL	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Piece of evidence used in the annotation of an exon (usually peptides, mRNAs, ESTs)</li></ul>	Metadata 
Gene source	ALL	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Source of the gene annotation (Ensembl, Havana, Ensembl-Havana merged model or imported in the case of small RNA and mitochondrial genes)</li></ul>	Metadata 
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PolyA features	ALL	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Manually annotated polyA features overlapping the transcript 3'-end</li></ul>	Metadata 
PubMed id	ALL	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Pubmed ids of publications associated to the transcript (from HGNC website)</li></ul>	Metadata 
RefSeq	ALL	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>RefSeq RNA and/or protein associated to the transcript (from Ensembl xref pipeline)</li></ul>	Metadata 
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ID conversion between different annotation databases (e.g. NCBI/RefSeq, Ensembl)

<https://www.ensembl.org/index.html>  
all organisms



The screenshot shows the Ensembl genome browser homepage. At the top is a dark blue header with the Ensembl logo and navigation links: BLAST/BLAT, BioMart, VEP, Tools, BioMart, Downloads, Help & Docs, and Blog. Below the header is a white section with four columns of links: Tools (with a link to 'All tools'), BioMart > (described as a data-mining tool), BLAST/BLAT > (described as a search tool for DNA/protein), and Variant Effect Predictor > (described as a tool for predicting variant effects). The next section is a light blue search bar with a dropdown menu set to 'All species', a text input field, and a 'Go' button. Below the search bar, example search terms are provided: 'e.g. BRCA2 or rat 5:62797383-63627669 or rs699 or coronary heart disease'. The bottom section is divided into two columns. The left column, 'All genomes', features a dropdown menu to 'Select a species' and links to 'View full list of all Ensembl species' and 'Edit your favourites'. The right column, 'Favourite genomes', lists three organisms: Human (GRCh38.p12) with a classical statue icon, Mouse (GRCm38.p6) with a mouse icon, and Zebrafish (GRCz11) with a zebrafish icon. Each organism entry includes a link to 'Still using GRCh37?'.

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Export custom datasets from Ensembl with this data-mining tool

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Analyse your own variants and predict the functional consequences of known and unknown variants

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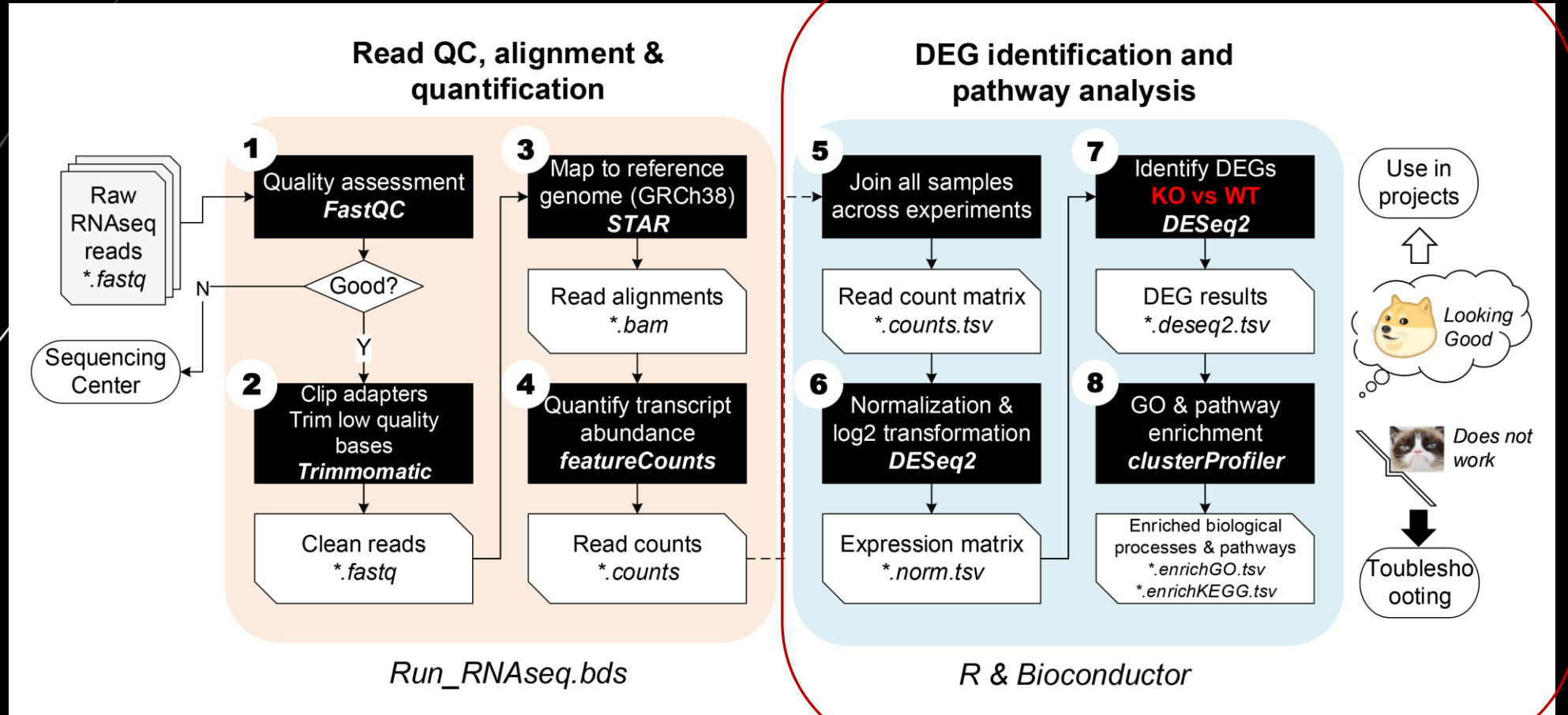
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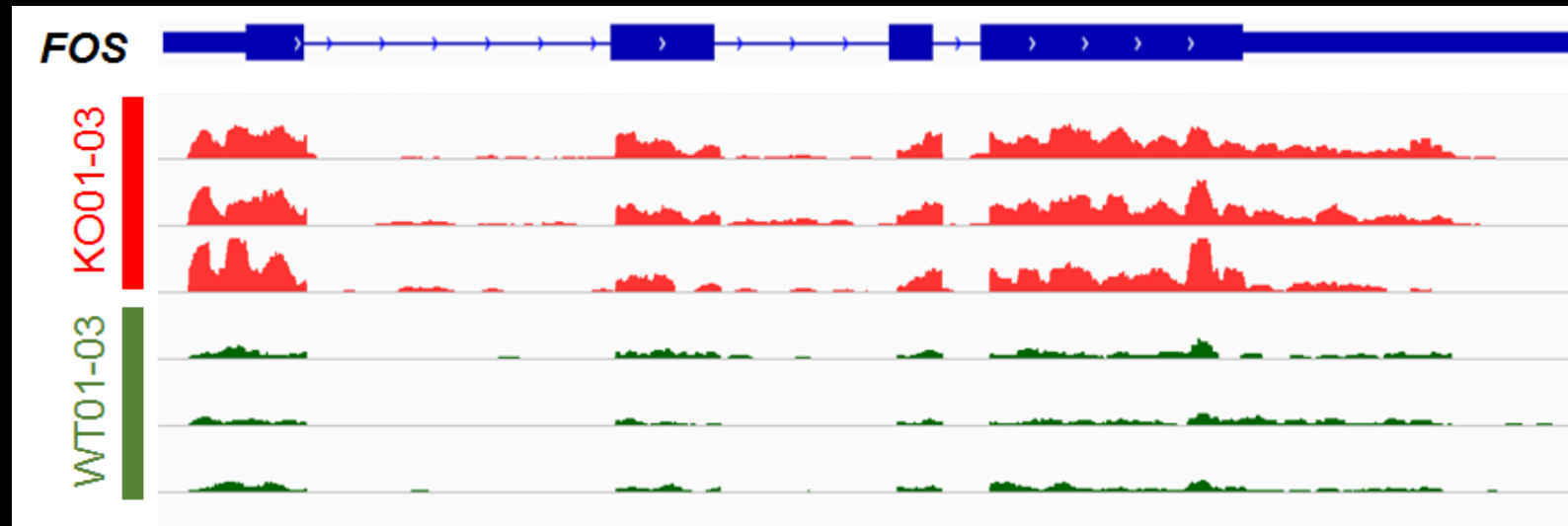
Gencode and Ensembl are generally in sync

# How to perform RNAseq analysis



## 05-08: Identify differentially expressed genes and pathways: DESeq2, clusterProfiler

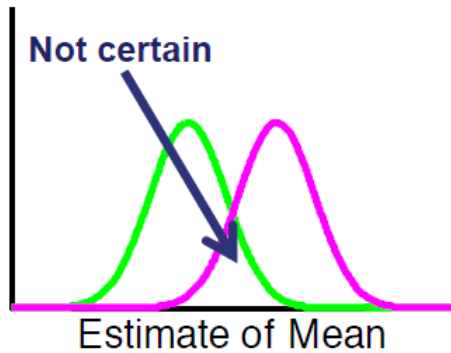
- After steps 01-04, we have generated read alignment and counts for every annotated gene on the genome
- The next step is to utilize the read counts data to detect DEGs
- For example, if we visualize *FOS* gene across 6 samples in genome browser



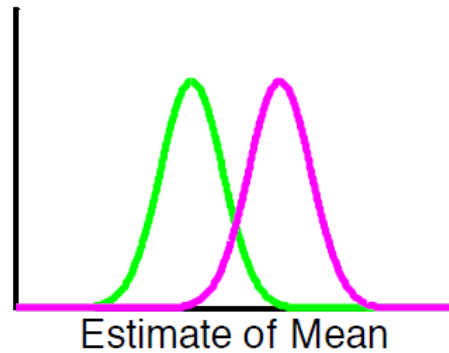
*FOS* = *Fos* proto-oncogene, AP-1 transcription factor subunit

# DEG detection

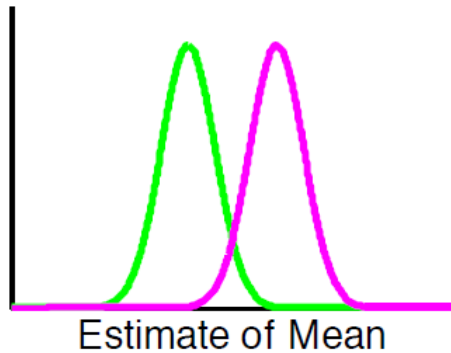
2 Replicates



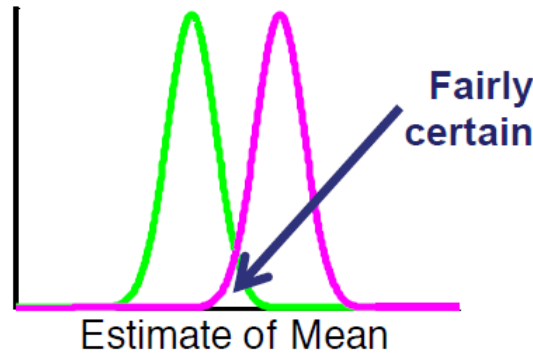
3 Replicates



4 Replicates



5 Replicates



$$SE = \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}}$$

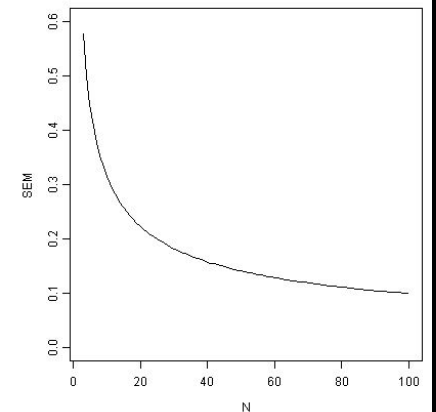
← Standard deviation

← Number of samples

Standard Error of the Mean

$$SE_{M_x} = \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{N}}$$

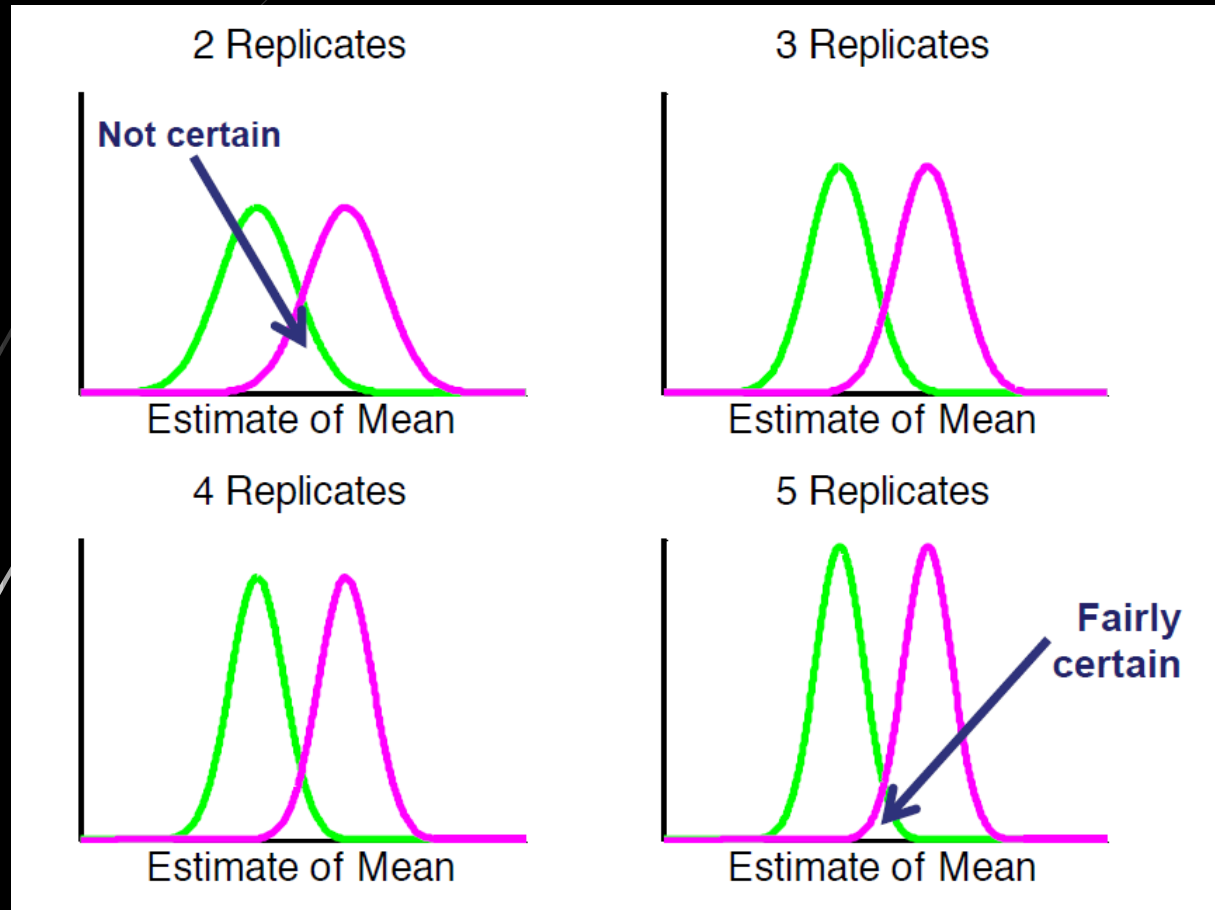
- This equation implies that sampling error decreases as sample size increases.
- This is important because it suggests that if we want to make sampling error as small as possible, we need to use as large of a sample size as we can manage.



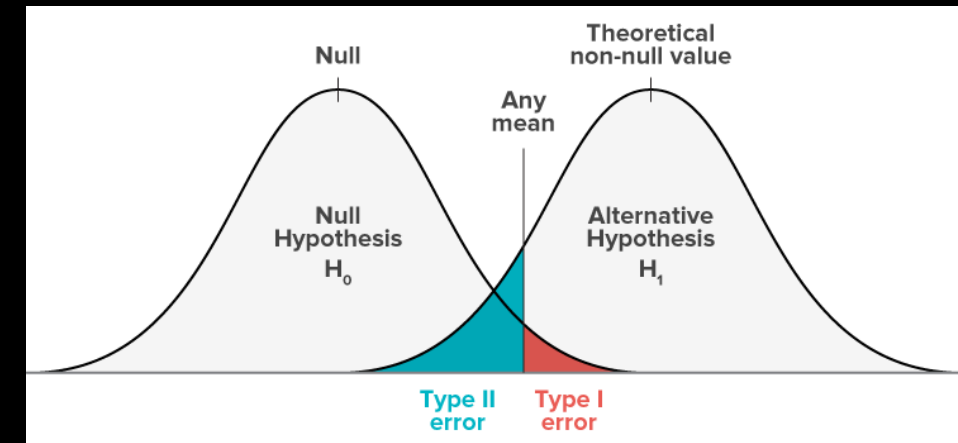
More biological replicates per group lead to higher discovery power, sensitivity and specificity.

# DEG detection

Sensitivity:  $TP/(TP+FN)$  Specificity:  $TN/(FP+TN)$

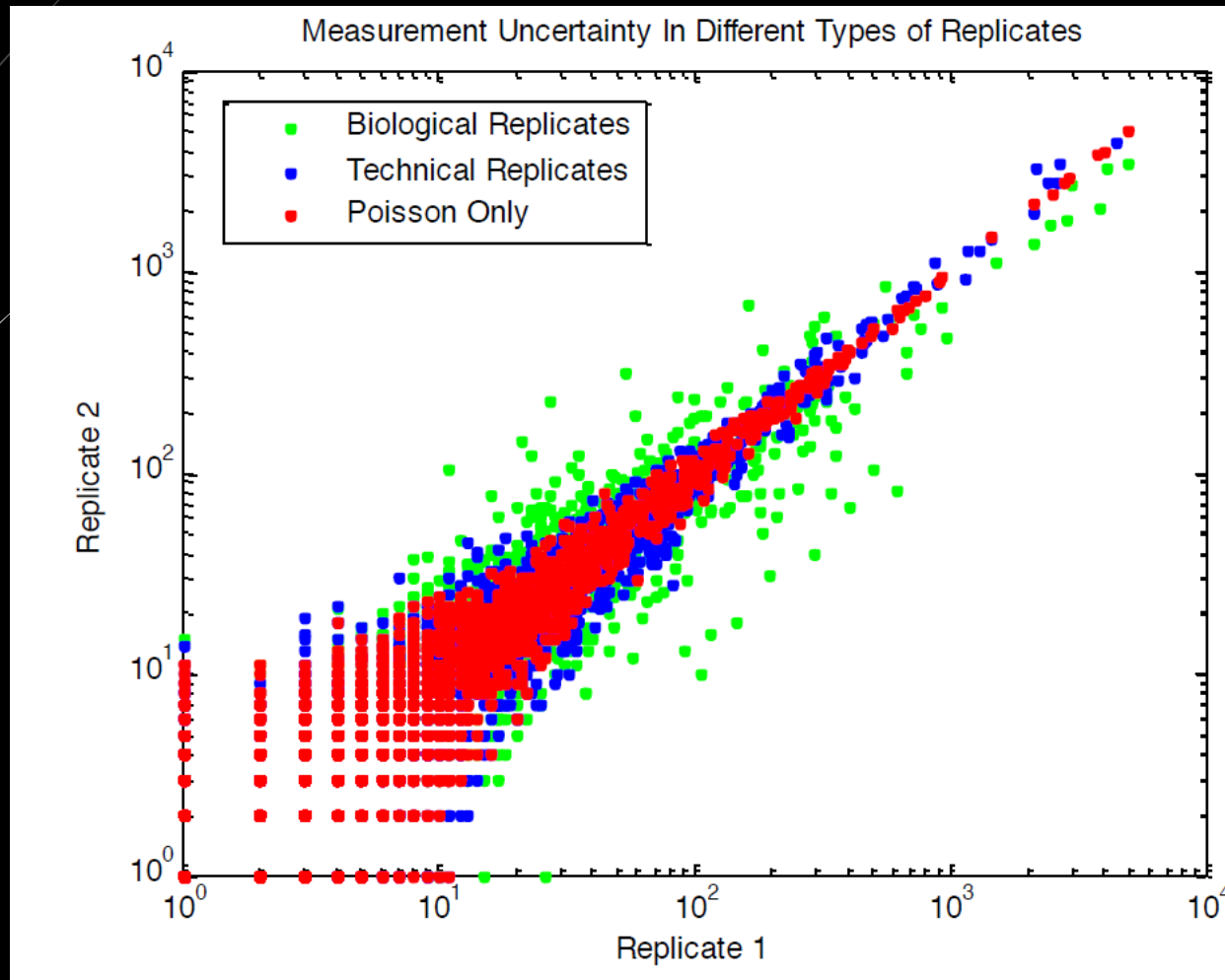


		Reality	
		Positive	Negative
Study Finding	Positive	True Positive (Power) $(1-\beta)$	FP Type I Error $(\alpha)$
	Negative	FN Type II Error $(\beta)$	True Negative



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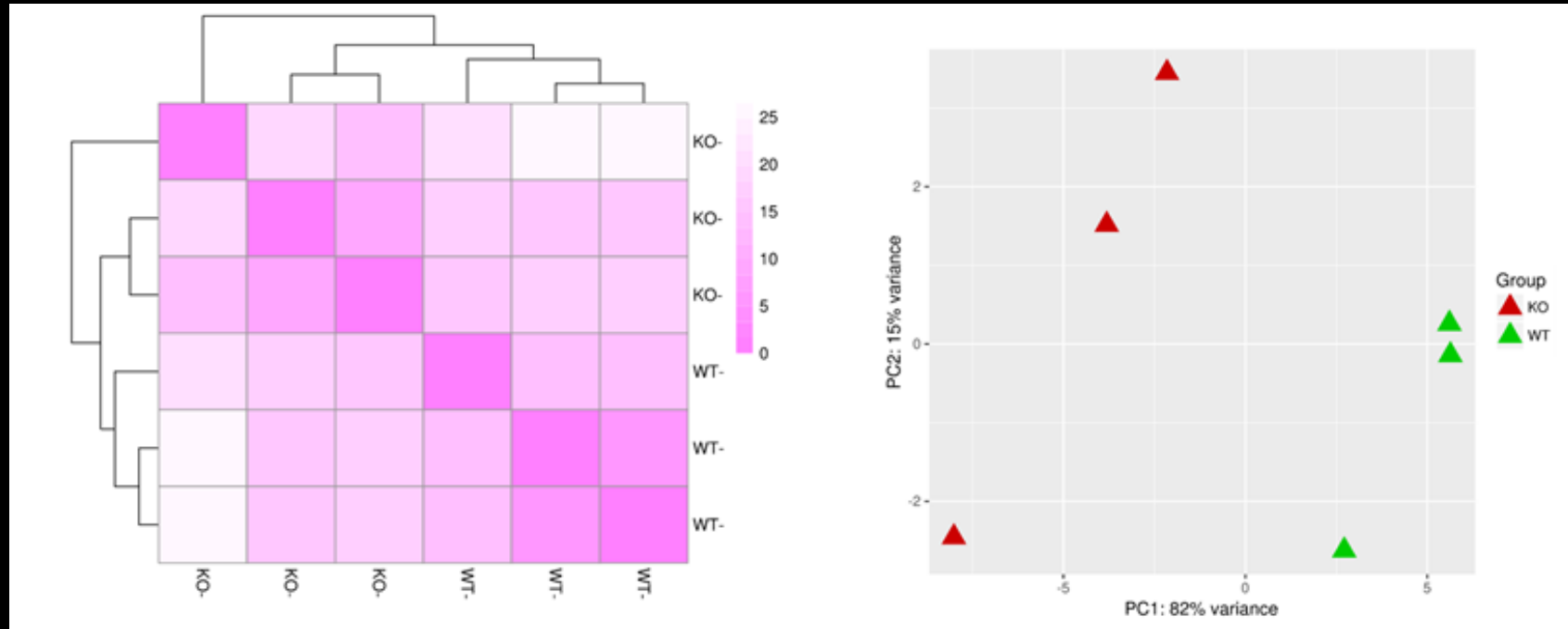


High correlation is expected between biological replicates.

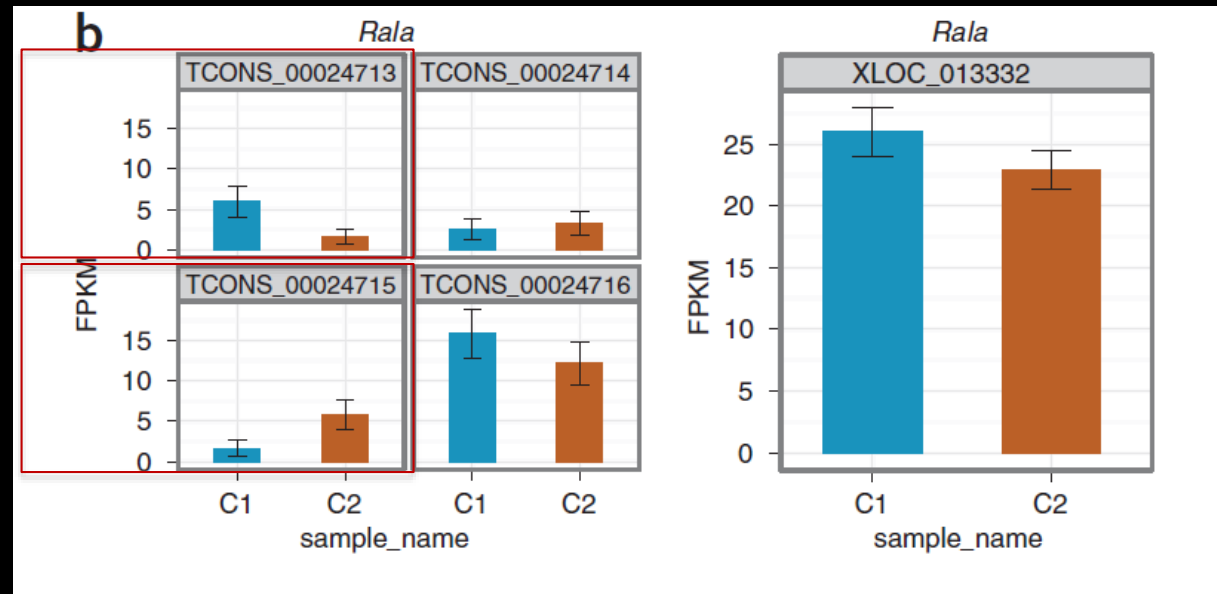
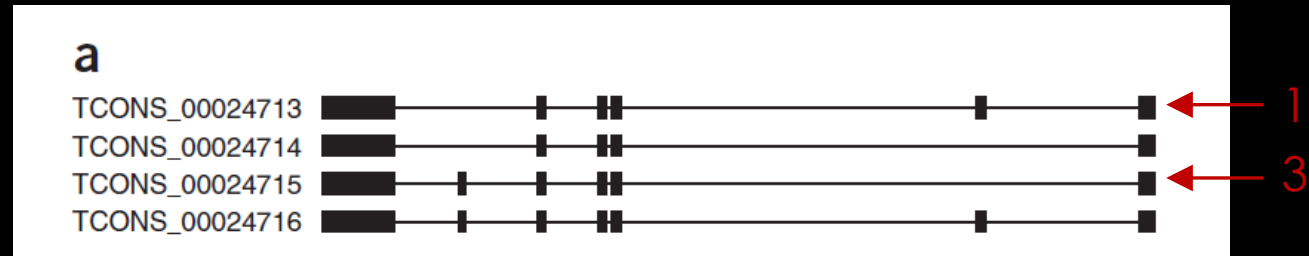
If one sample is an outlier, it can be identified if multiple replicates are included in an experiment.

# How to identify an outlier?

- PCA plot (visualization)
- Unsupervised sample clustering based on all genes or *top variable genes* (e.g. 1500)



# Transcript vs gene level quantification



Isoform 1 \*

Isoform 3 \*

Isoforms 1 – 4

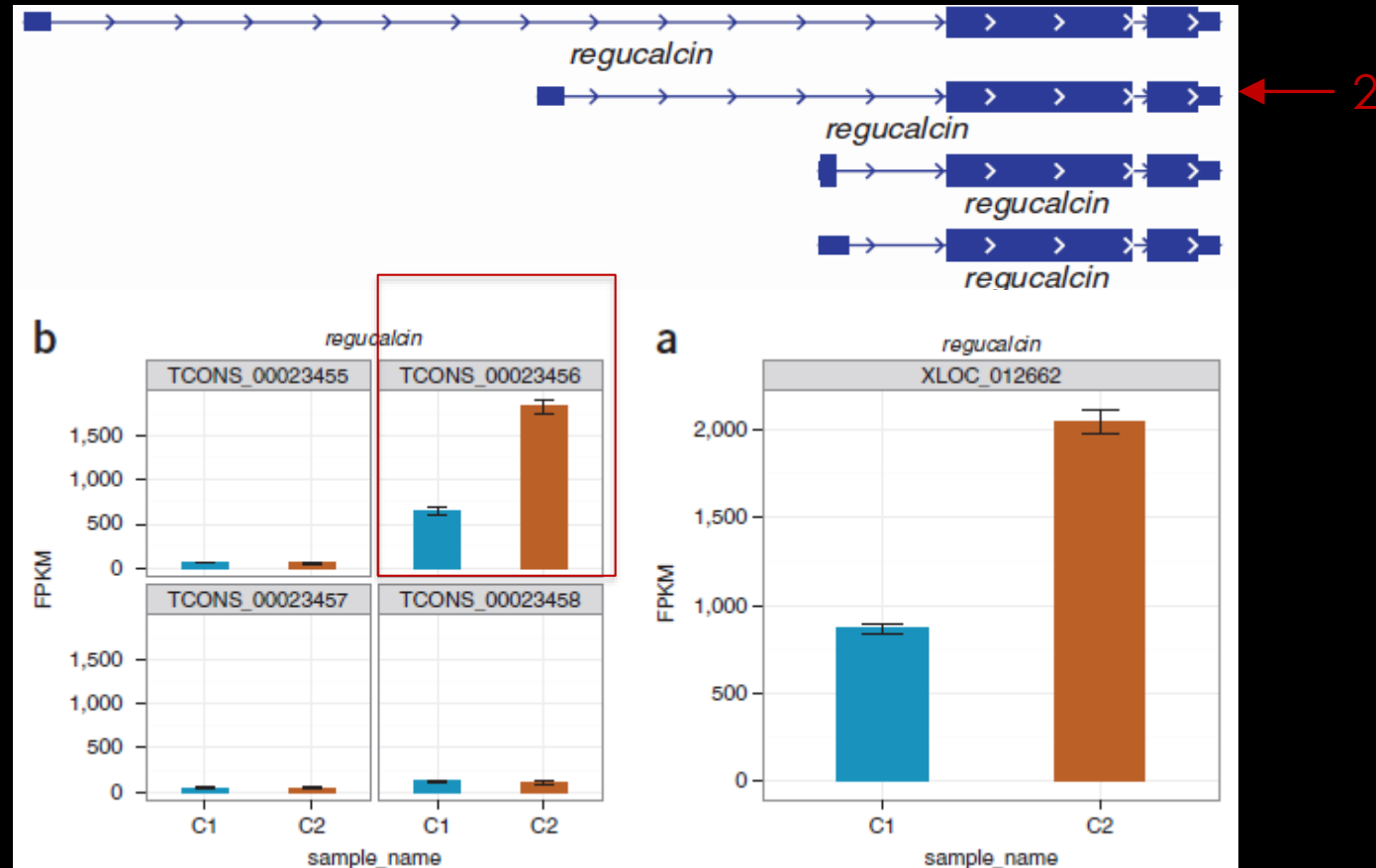
Gene

**Difference in gene-level expression is not significant due to variability of isoforms**



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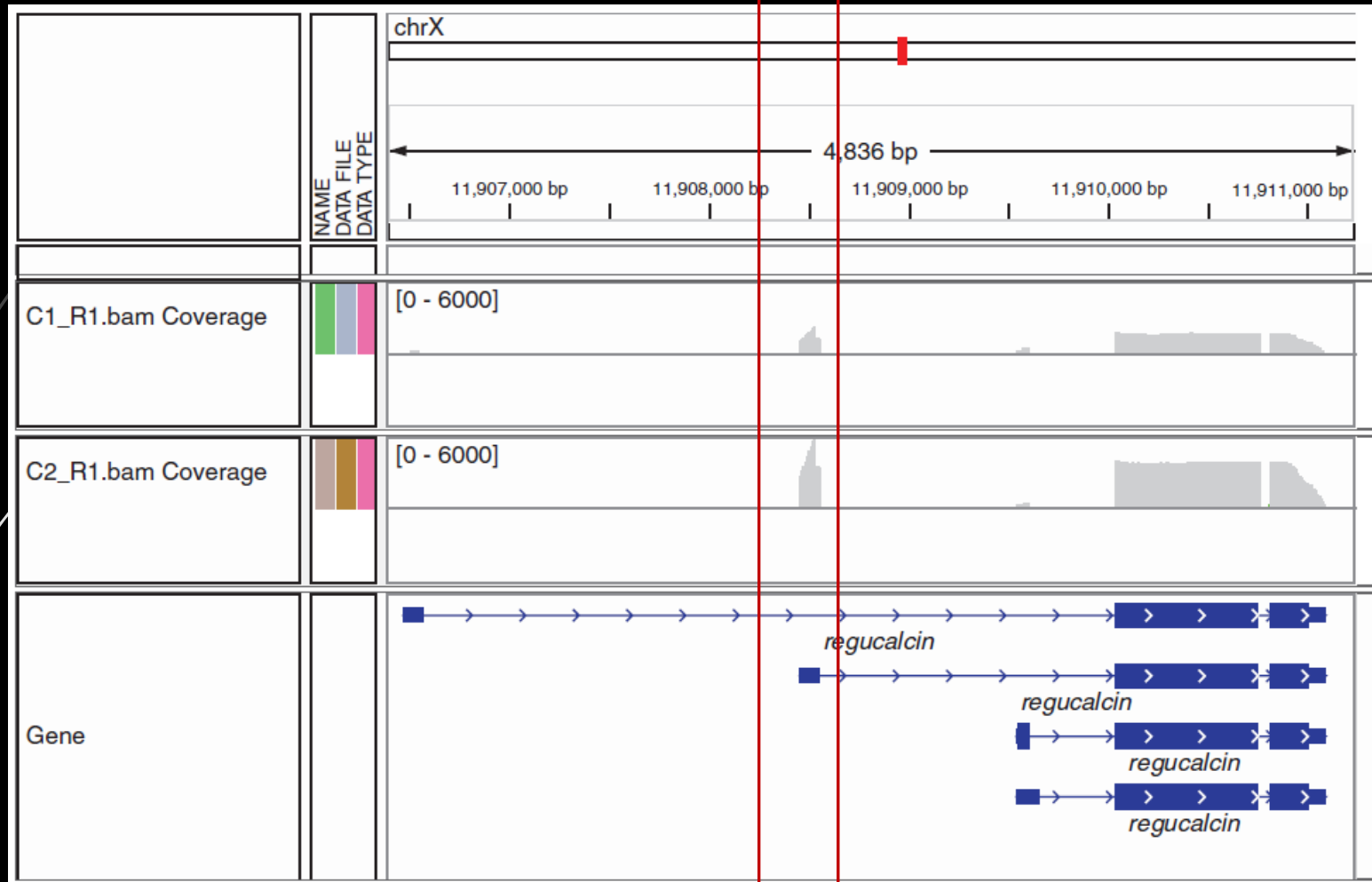
Isoform 2 \*



Isoforms 1 – 4

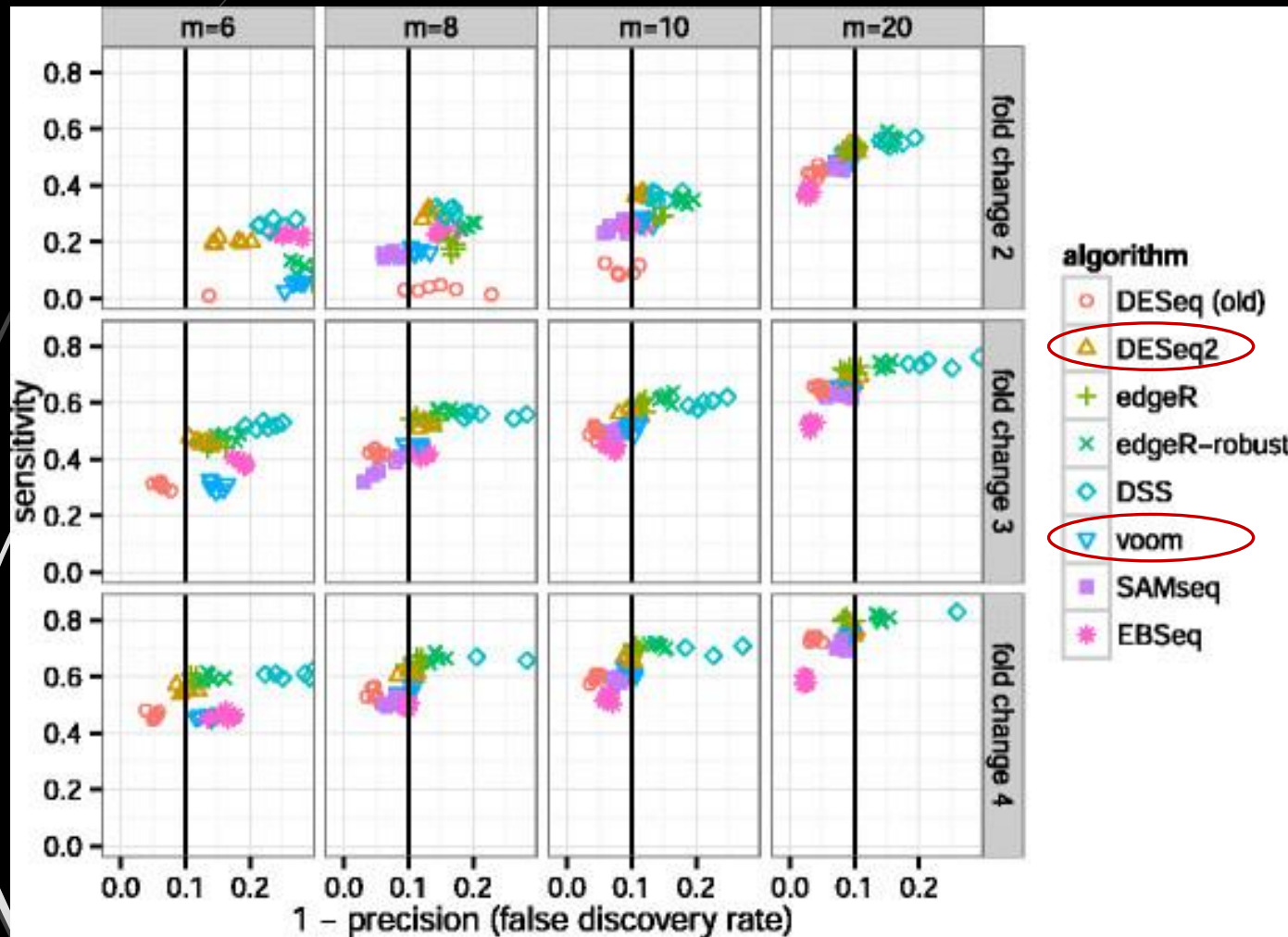
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**Difference in gene-level expression is significant, which is largely due to a great increase in the expression of isoform 2**



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# Comparison of different DEG identification methods



Sensitivity and precision of algorithms across combinations of sample size and effect size.

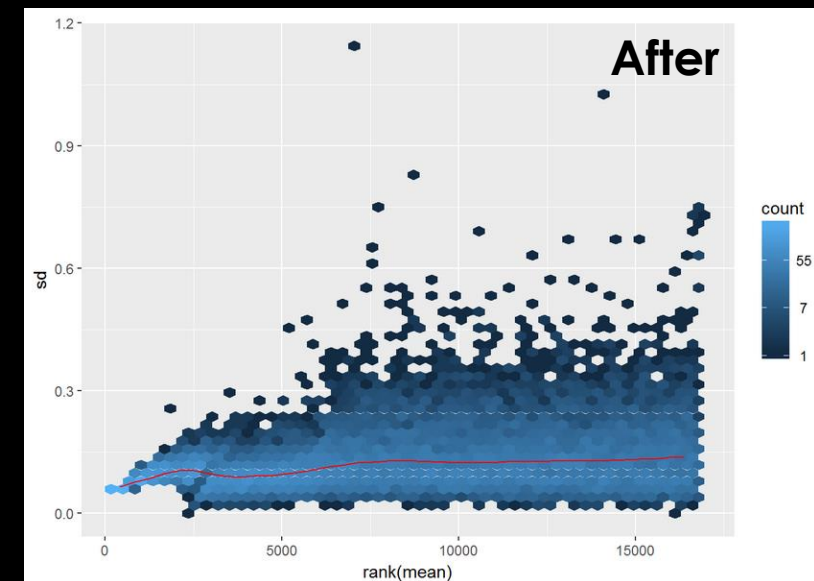
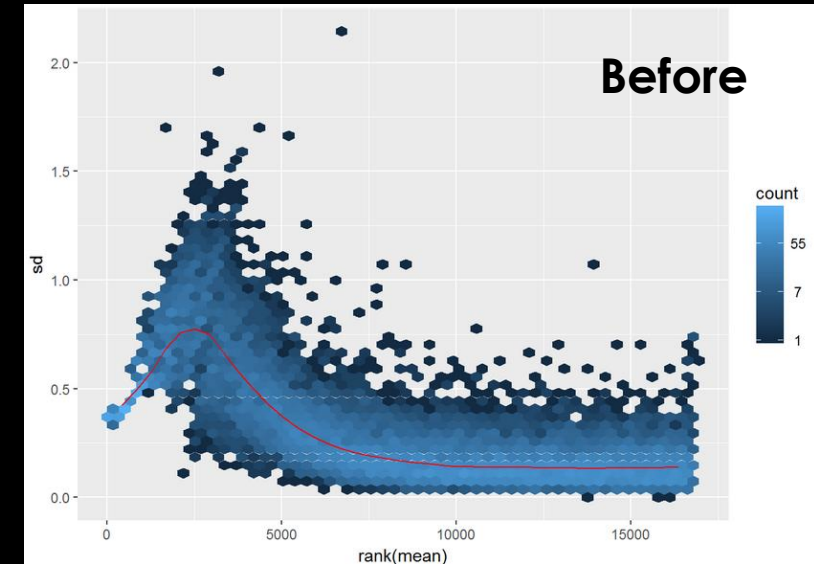
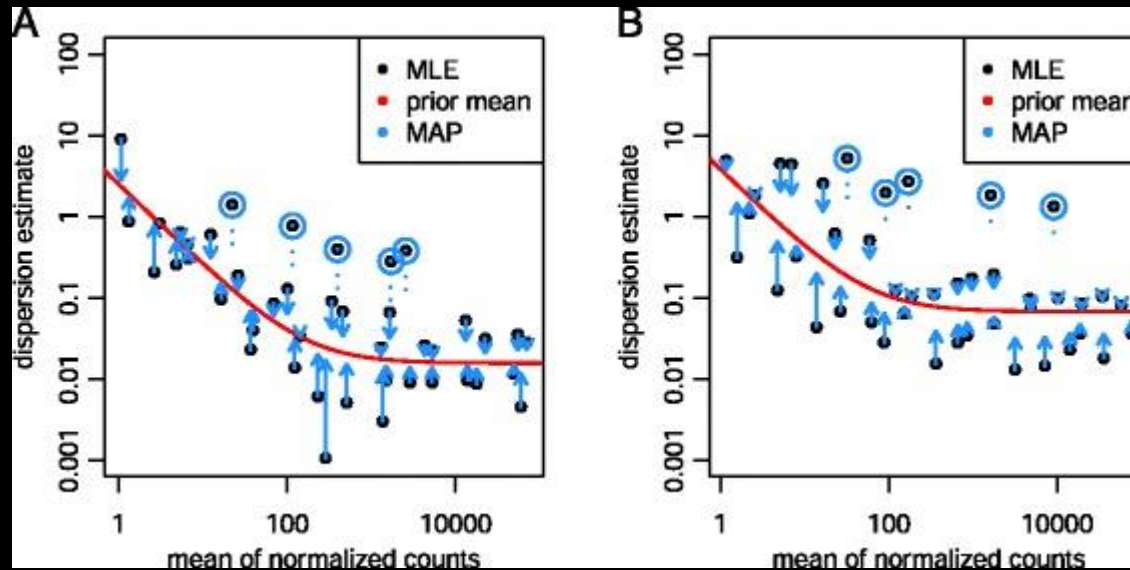
DESeq2 and edgeR often had the highest sensitivity of those algorithms that controlled the FDR, i.e., those algorithms which fall on or to the left of the vertical black line.

*m*: total sample size; split into two even-sized groups for comparison

# DESeq2

- Count matrix data
- Assume data follow negative binomial distribution (sometimes also called a gamma-Poisson distribution) with mean ( $\mu$ ) and dispersion ( $\alpha$ ) parameters
- Within-group variability, i.e., the variability between replicates, is modeled by the dispersion parameter alpha, which describes the *variance* of counts
- Empirical Bayes shrinkage for dispersion estimation

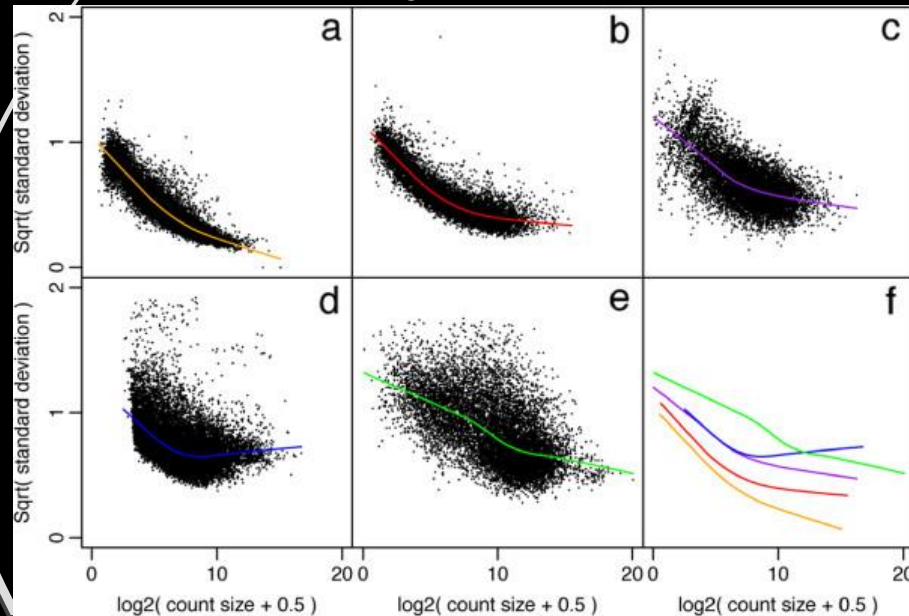
MAP,  
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MLE,  
maximum-  
likelihood  
estimate



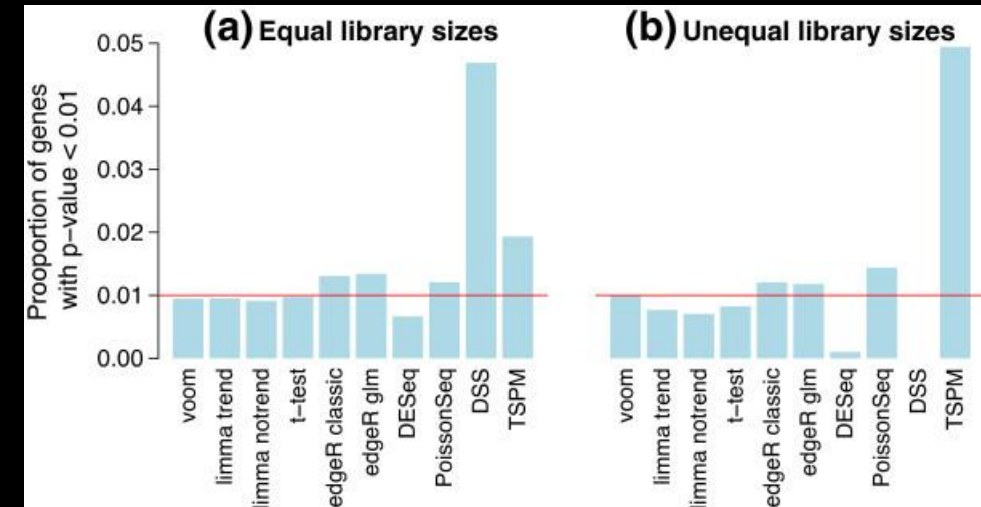
# Limma voom (weighted algorithm)

- To model the mean-variance relationship than to specify the exact probabilistic distribution of the counts (e.g. NB or Poisson)
- Provide accurate Type I (alpha) and Type II error (beta) control compared to other methods, especially when sample size is small
- *Voom with sample quality weights*

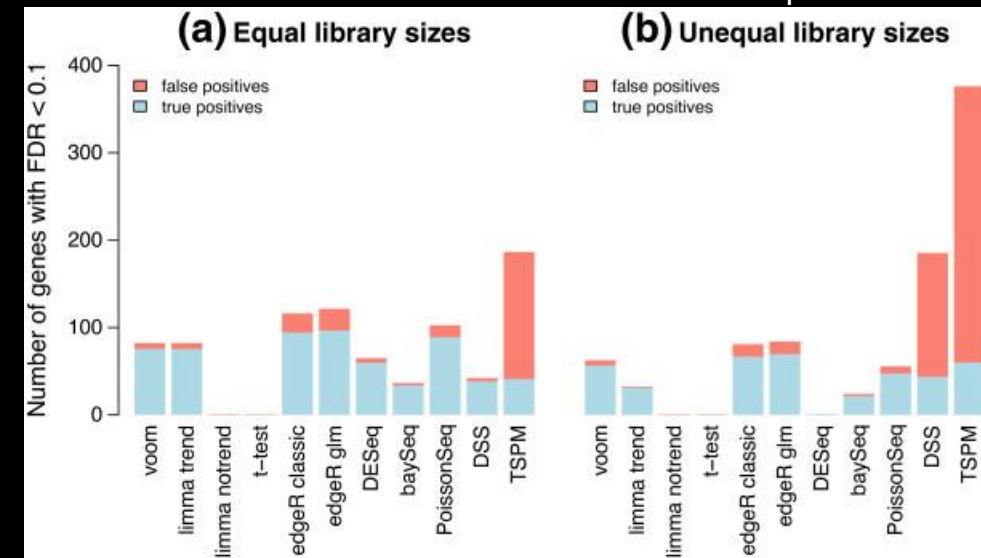
Law et al., Genome Biology 2014



Type I error rates in the absence of true differential expression



Power to detect true differential expression

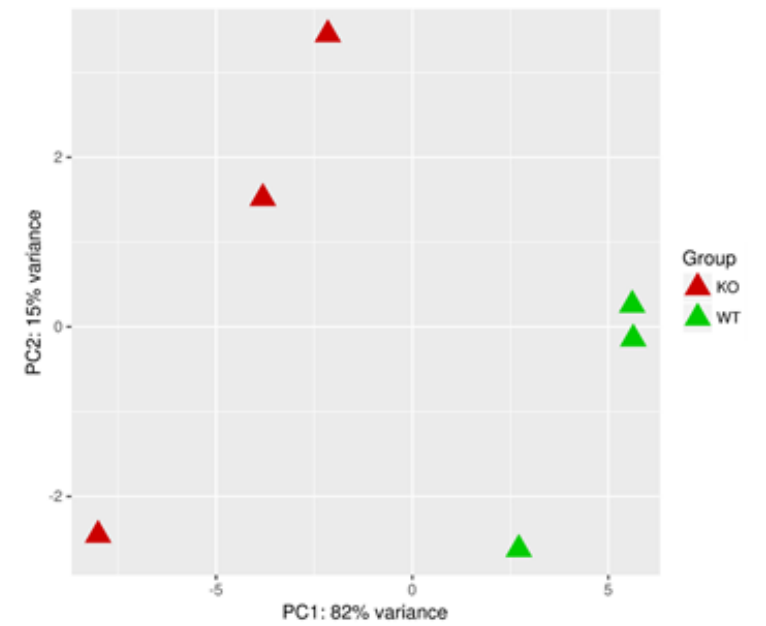
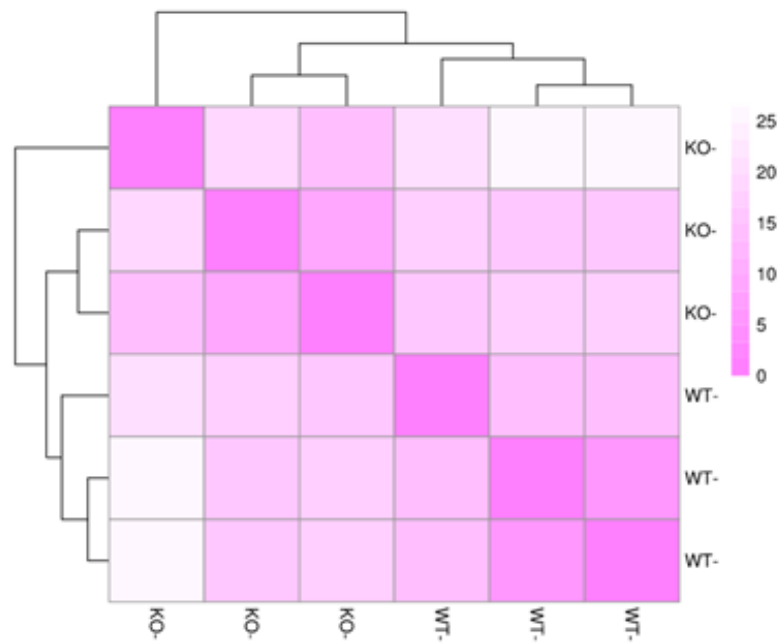




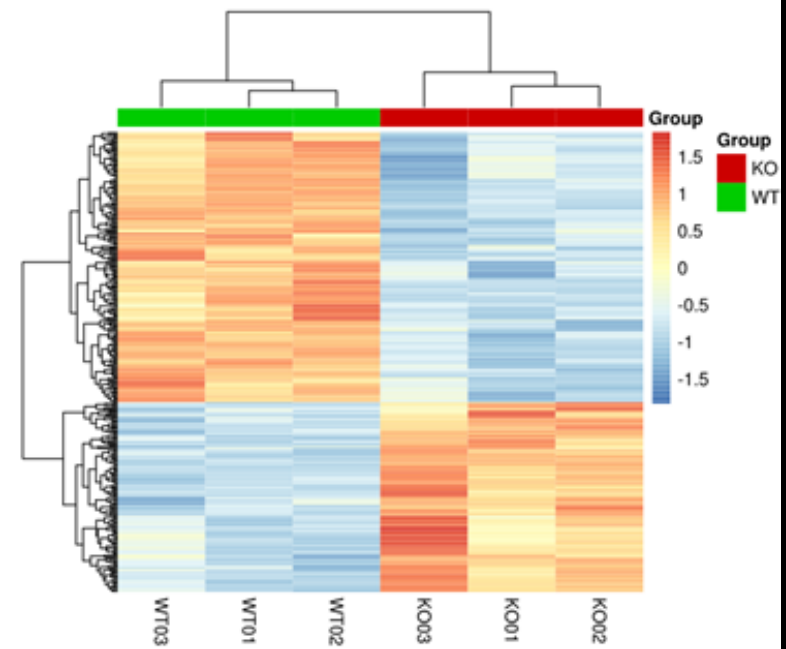
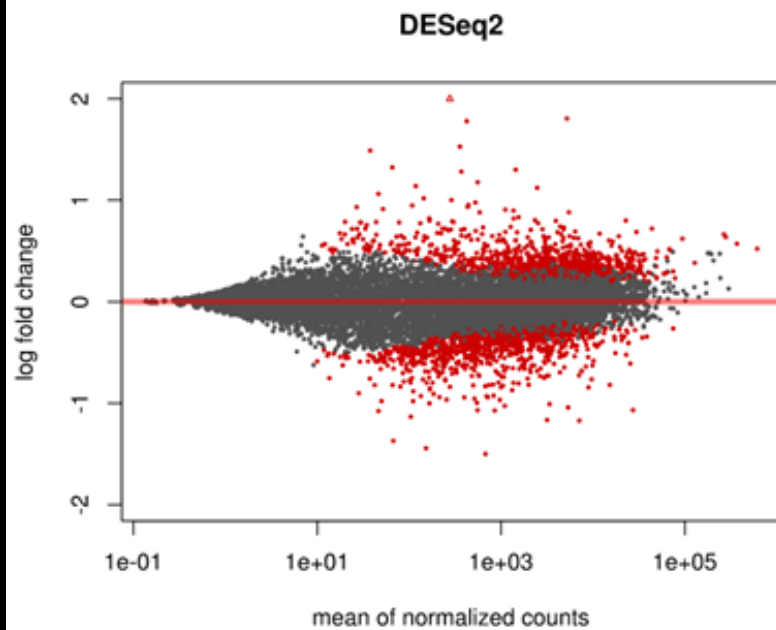


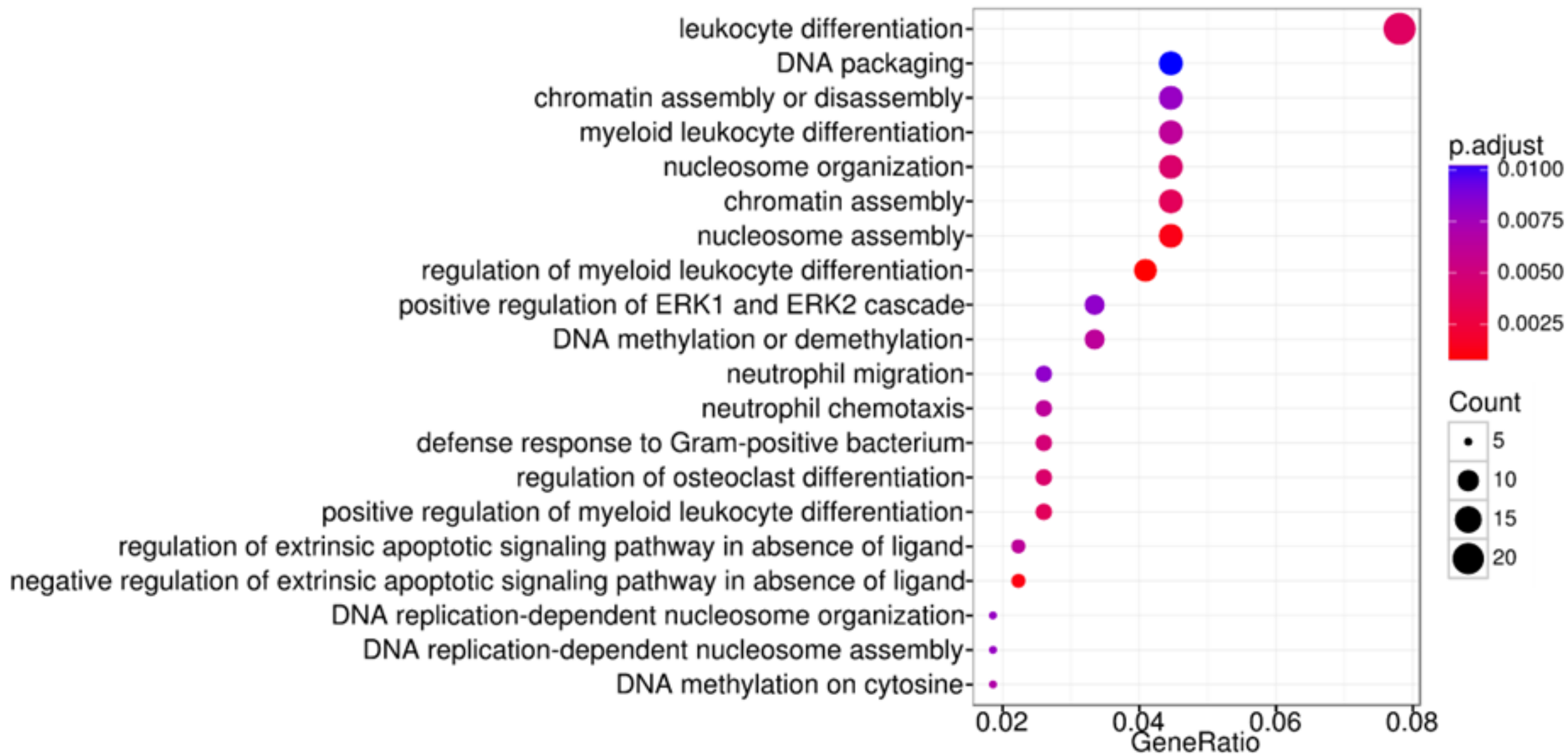
# More databases!

- ▶ Gene annotation database: GENCODE
  - ▶ <https://www.gencodegenes.org/>
- ▶ Gene Ontology (GO) database: Gene Ontology Consortium
  - ▶ <http://www.geneontology.org/>
- ▶ Pathway database: KEGG
  - ▶ <http://www.genome.jp/kegg/>
- ▶ Predefined gene sets: MSigDB
  - ▶ <http://software.broadinstitute.org/gsea/msigdb/>



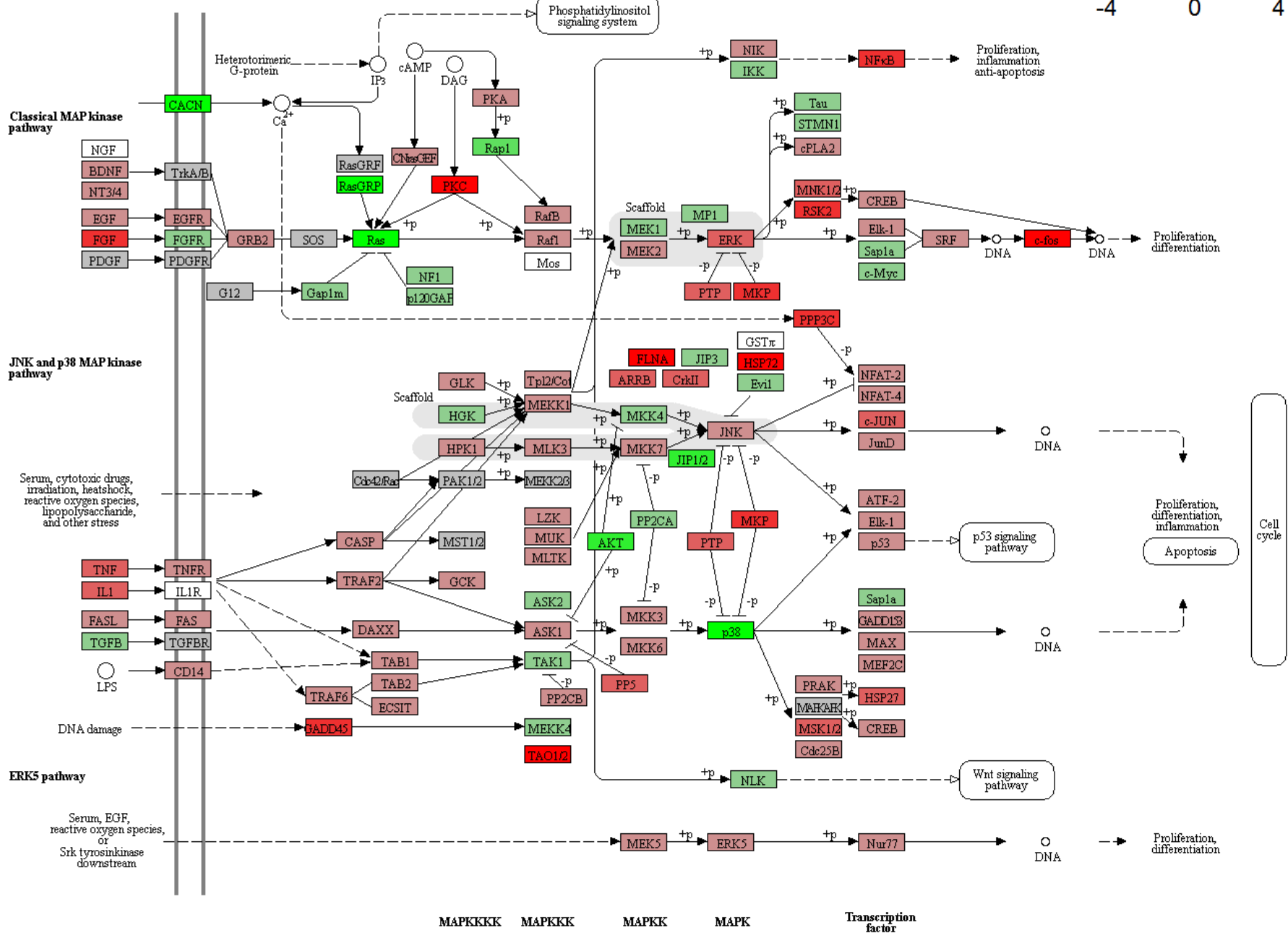
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 [1] "Heatmap = 296 genes on the row, 6 samples on the column"



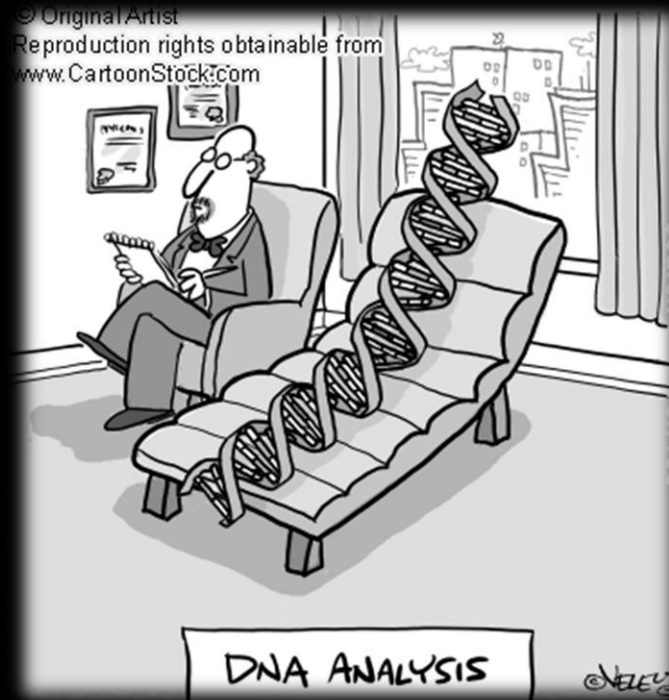




# MAPK SIGNALING PATHWAY



Thank you!



Questions



# Hands-on practice START

- Open your handson.Rmd on the Github or download to local computer
- <https://github.com/MScBiomedicalInformatics/MSIB32500/blob/master/lectures/handson9.html>
- Dataset: two groups (PRDM11 KO vs WT, human U2932 cells), 6 samples
- Single-end reads, unstranded libraries

Sample	Group	Sequencing File	Sequencing Data
KO01	KO	KO01.fastq.gz	74,126,025 reads
KO02	KO	KO02.fastq.gz	64,695,948 reads
KO03	KO	KO03.fastq.gz	52,972,573 reads
WT01	WT	WT01.fastq.gz	55,005,729 reads
WT01	WT	WT02.fastq.gz	61,079,377 reads
WT01	WT	WT03.fastq.gz	66,517,156 reads

Fog. et al. 2015. Loss of *PRDM11* promotes MYC-driven lymphomagenesis. Blood 125(8):1272-81

*PRDM11* = PR/SET domain 11

