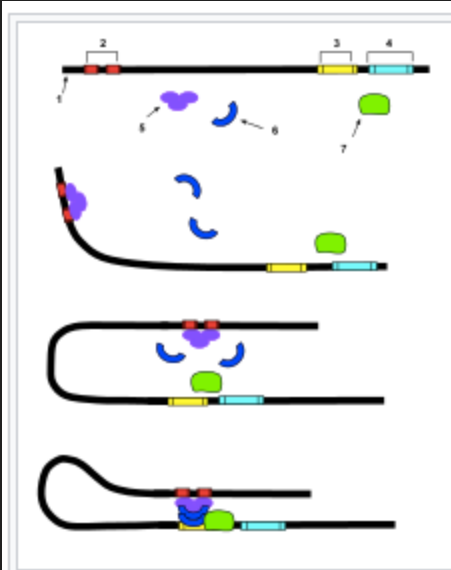


Team Bayes Pair

What's an enhancer ?

- Important for regulation
- Difficult to characterize
- 100-1500 bp
- Transcription factor binding
- May be located upstream or downstream of regulated gene



Seen here is a four step diagram depicting the usage of an enhancer. Within this DNA sequence, protein(s) known as transcription factor(s) bind to the enhancer and increase the activity of the promoter.

1. DNA
2. Enhancer
3. Promoter
4. Gene
5. Transcription Activator Protein
6. Mediator Protein
7. RNA Polymerase

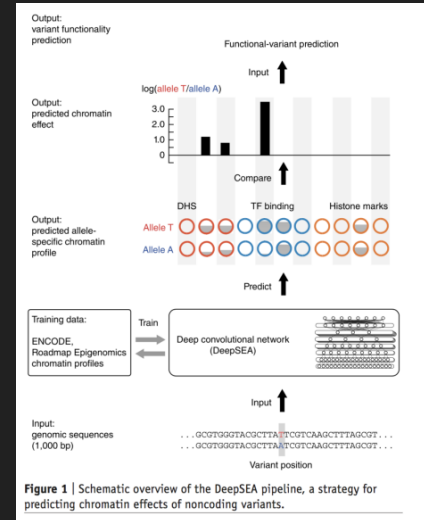
Predicting functional effects of rare SNPs In enhancer regions.

Methods:

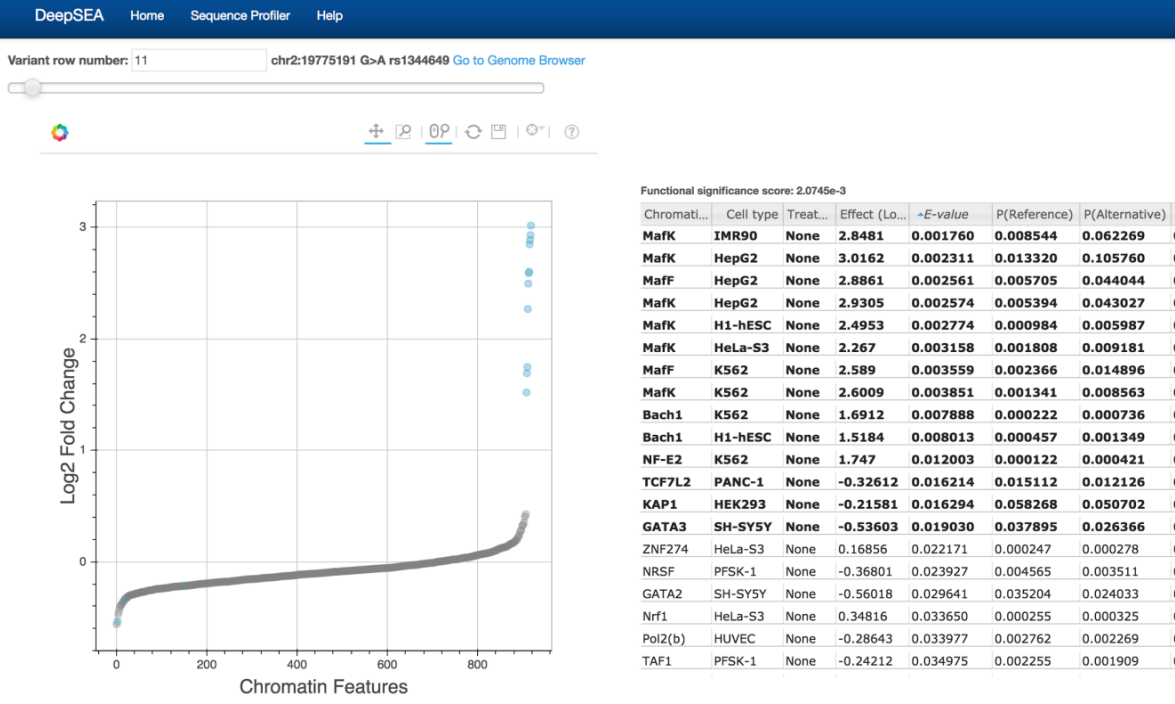
- Use 1000 genome project's SNP distributions to detect rare variants across patient's tumor genome.
- Run Deep Sea's Convolutional Neural Network
 - Trained on experimental enhancer data.

Jian Zhou, Olga G. Troyanskaya. Predicting the Effects of Noncoding Variants with Deep learning-based Sequence Model. Nature Methods (2015).

- Area under the curve (AUC): 0.958



Results



- 236 Rare SNPs identified in tumor
- 35 SNPs with a functional significance score < 0.01

Future Directions

- Apply our process to other NF2 patient samples to further hone in on potentially biologically relevant SNPs in enhancer regions
- Validate findings in vitro
- Use identified enhancer regions as new drug targets
- Refine ML and DL algorithms to improve performance and extend utility

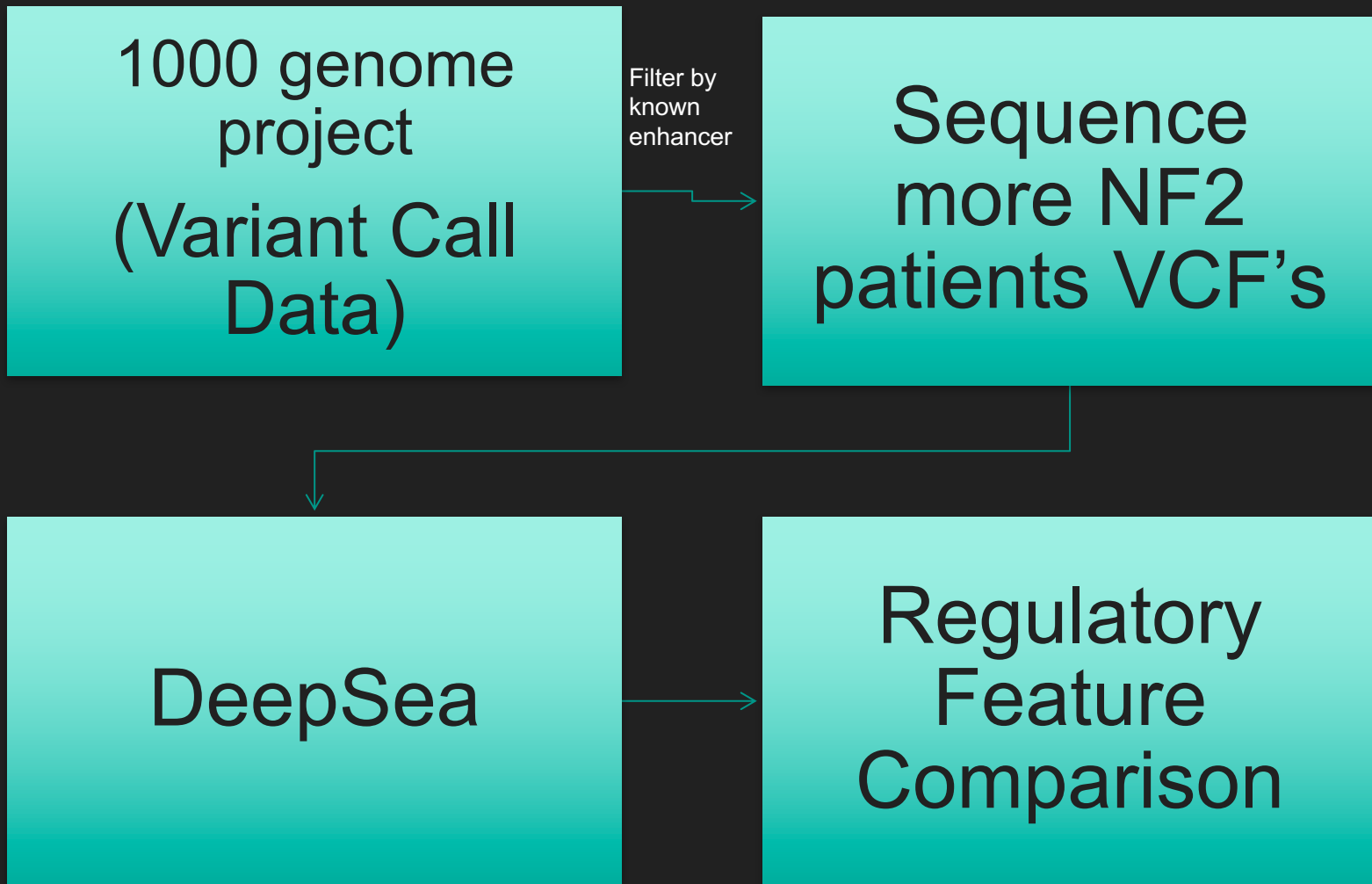
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Filter by
known
enhancer

Sequence
more NF2
patients VCF's

DeepSea

Regulatory
Feature
Comparison



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