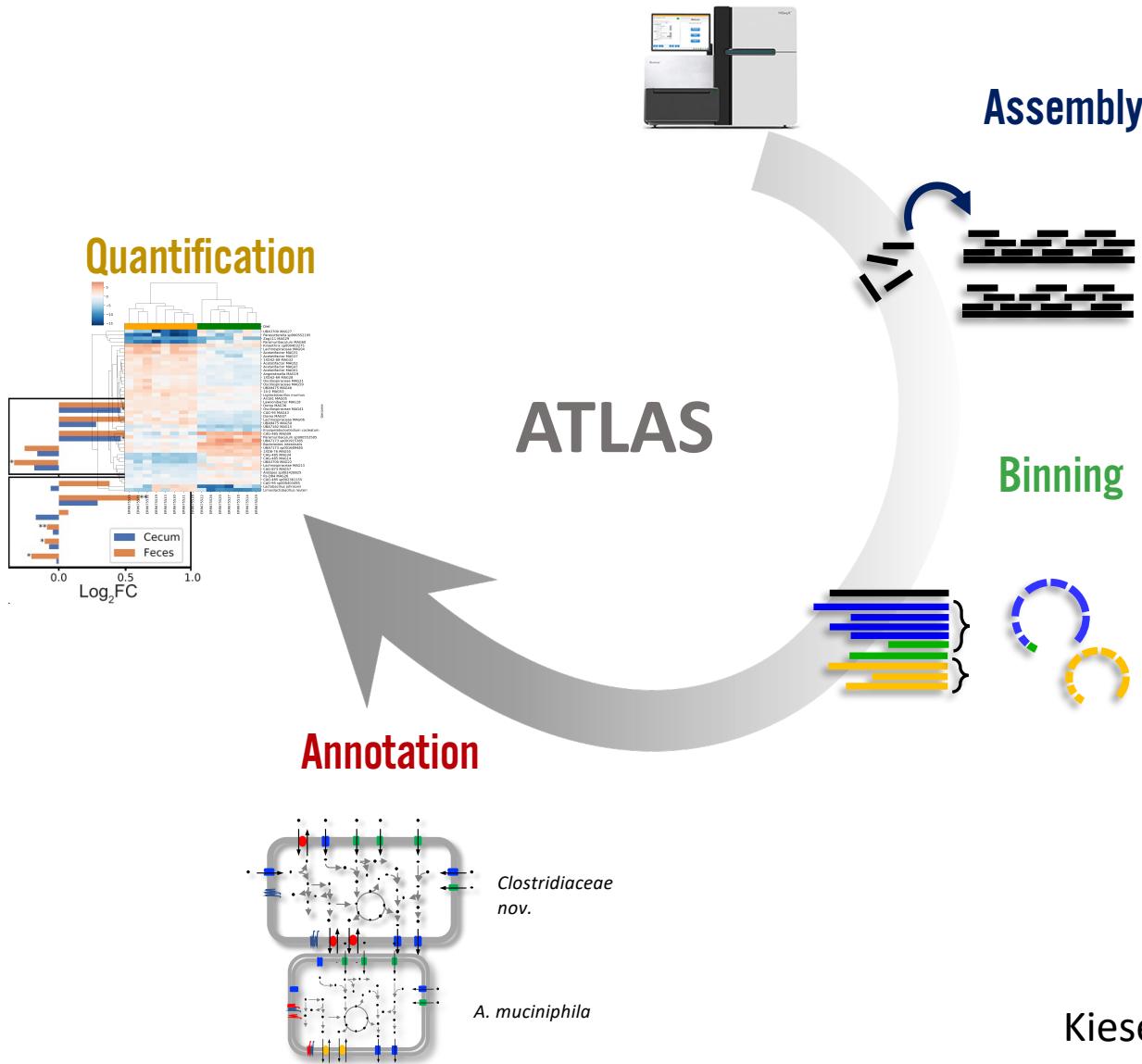


# Metagenome atlas

And the bioinformatics behind it



# Others on Metagenome-Atlas



**Aria Hahn**, Co-founder Koonkie inc.

Thanks for the great tool! I've been using it in my research and telling everyone about it!



**Taylor Reiter** Graduate from UC Davis.

Learners were excited about all of the functionality that **just worked** without them having to type out all of the steps.



**Josh Neufeld**, Professor at University of Waterloo.

Very useful package for my lab.

# Start in three commands!

```
conda install metagenome-atlas  
atlas init path/to/fastq  
atlas run all
```



# 1 Dependency



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**Snakemake**

# Why do I need a pipeline?

- Install of dependencies
- Parallelization
- Multiple samples
- Log and control of completion
- Cluster submission on different systems



# Snakemake

Create rules

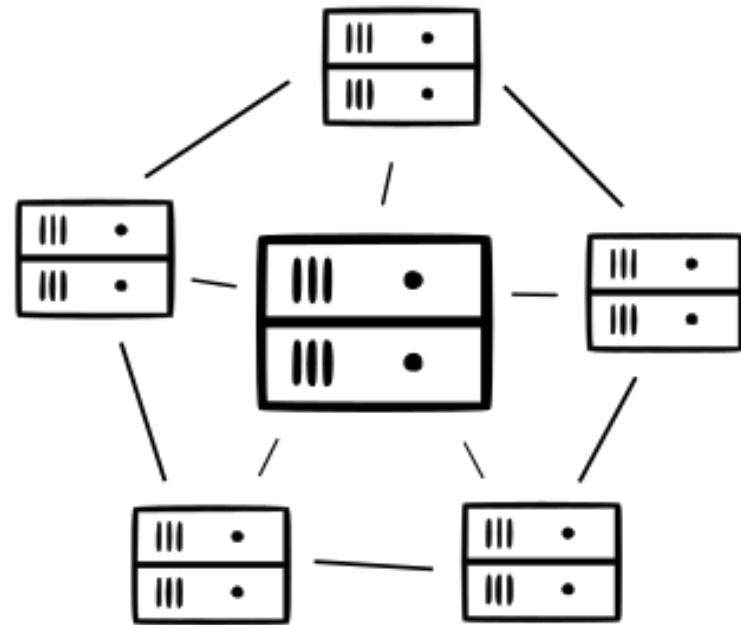
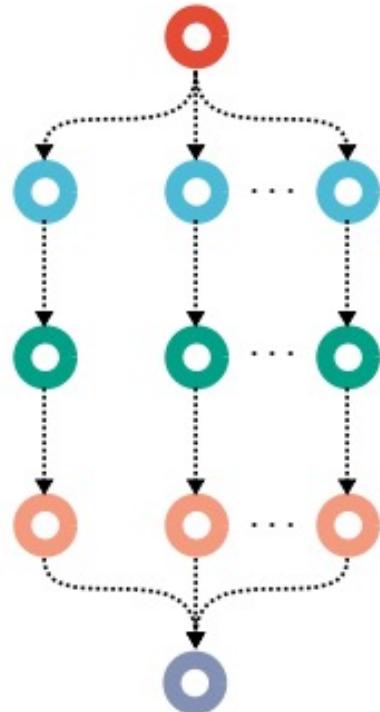
```
rule plot:
    input:
        "raw/{dataset}.csv"
    output:
        "plots/{dataset}.pdf"
    shell:
        "somecommand {input} {output}"
```

Install dependencies automatically

```
channels:
  - bioconda
  - r
dependencies:
  - python=2.7
  - checkm-genome=1.0.7
  - prodigal >=2.6.1
```



# Snakemake



# Cluster submission

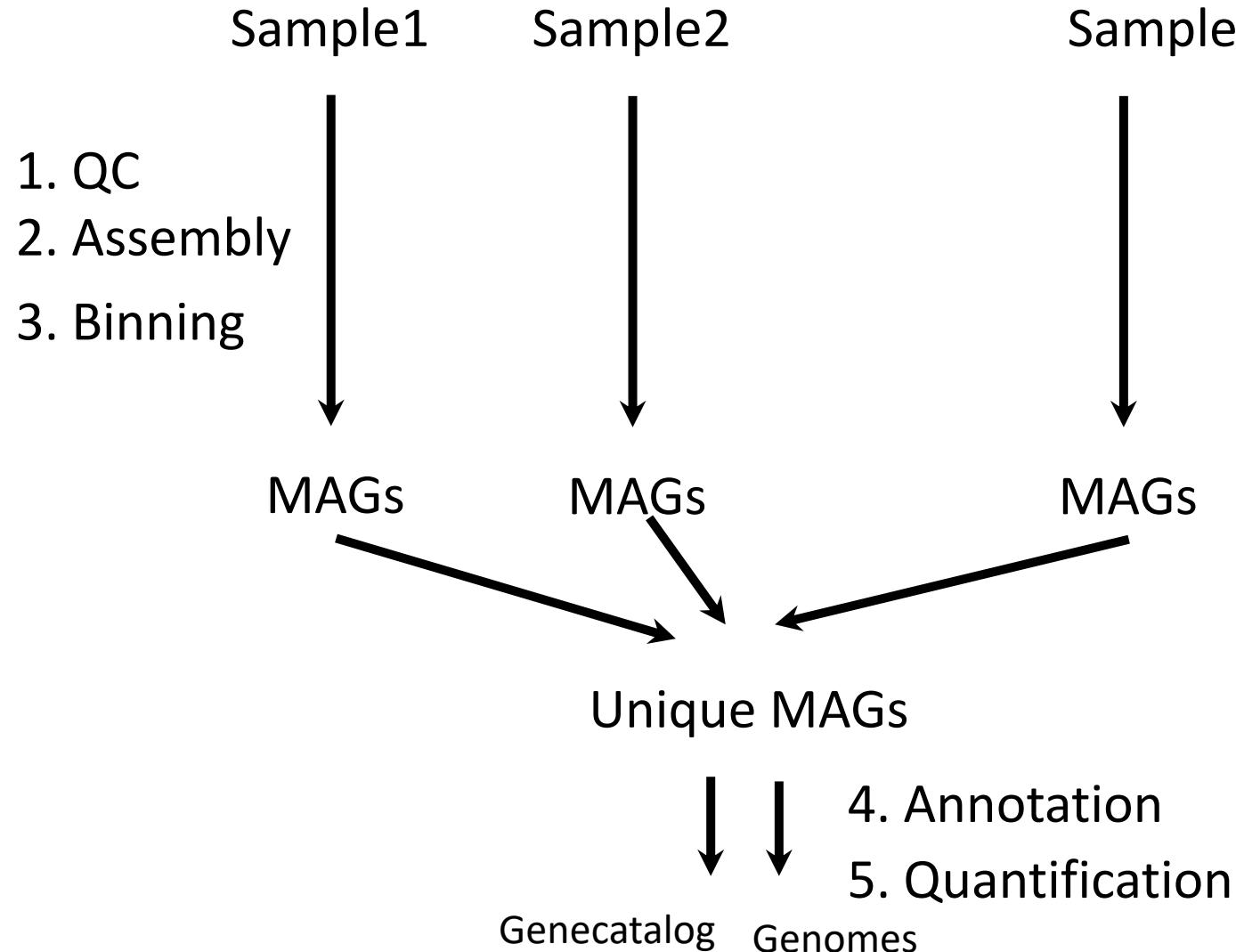
- Different cluster systems
- Different resource-limits
- Different queues
- Error handling

→ Atlas cluster wrapper

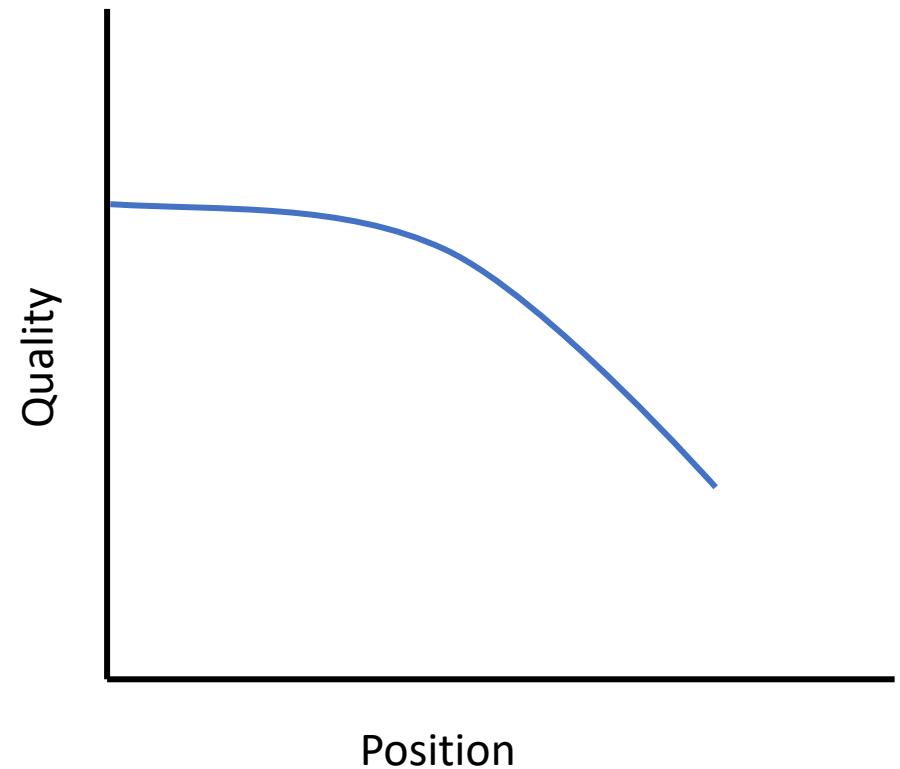
# Metagenome-Atlas in detail

```
atlas run genomes
```

# Atlas workflow



# 1. Quality control



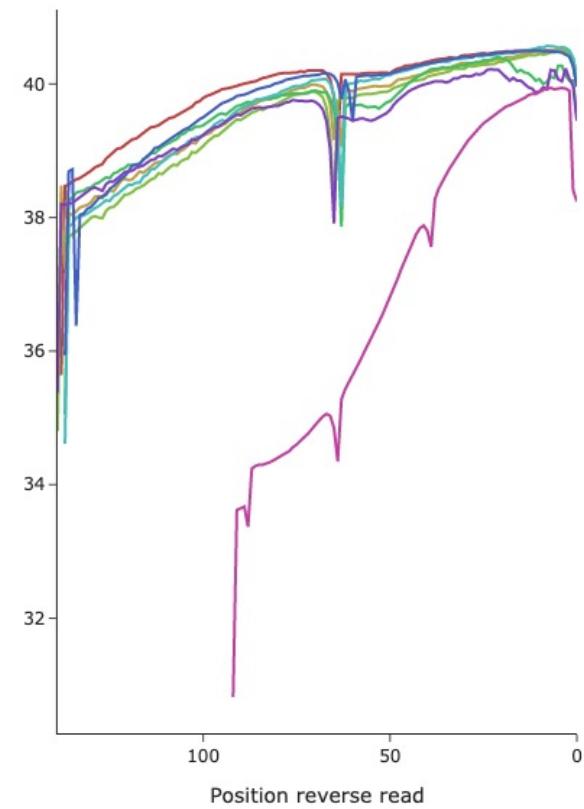
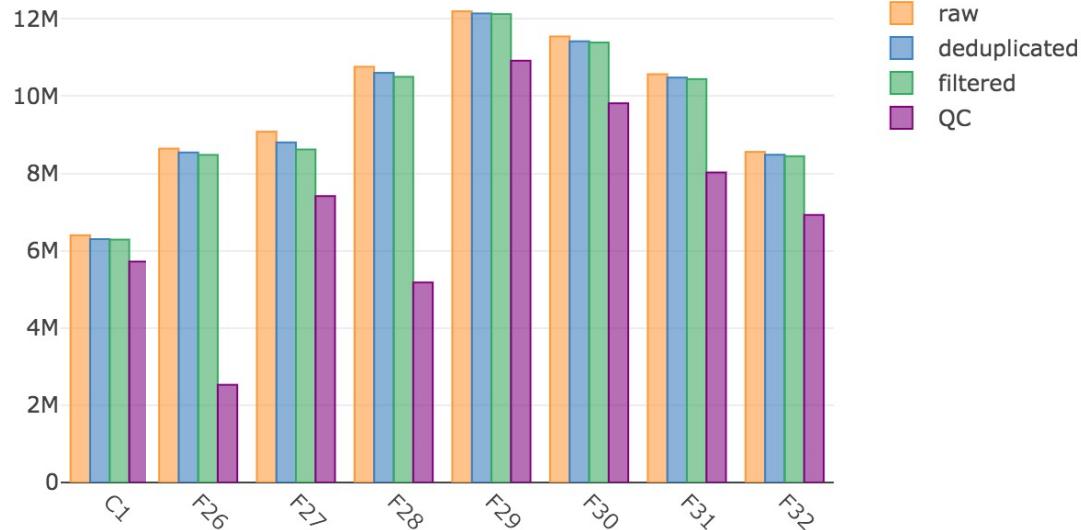
# 1. Quality control

- Using bbmap-tools
- Remove low quality bases
- Contaminant removal
- Host removal

➤ **Good-quality reads**

# Quality report

## Total reads per sample

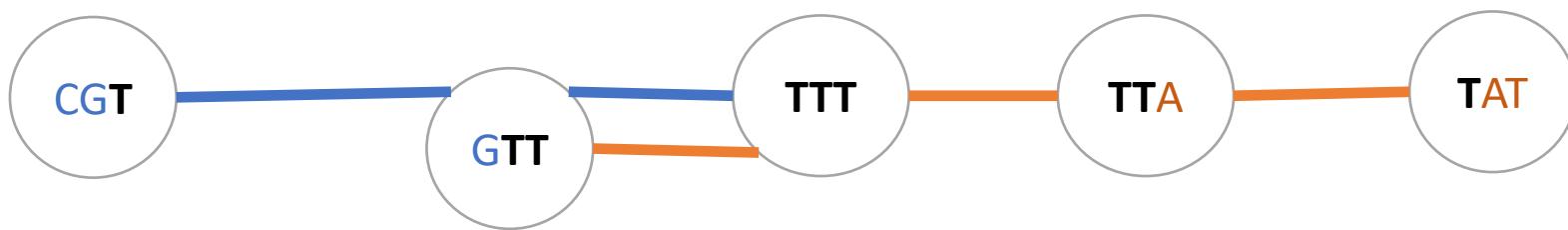


## 2. Assembly

# Building assembly graphs

K=3

ATCGTCAC**GTTT**  
**GTTT**ATCGTCTG



# Building assembly graphs

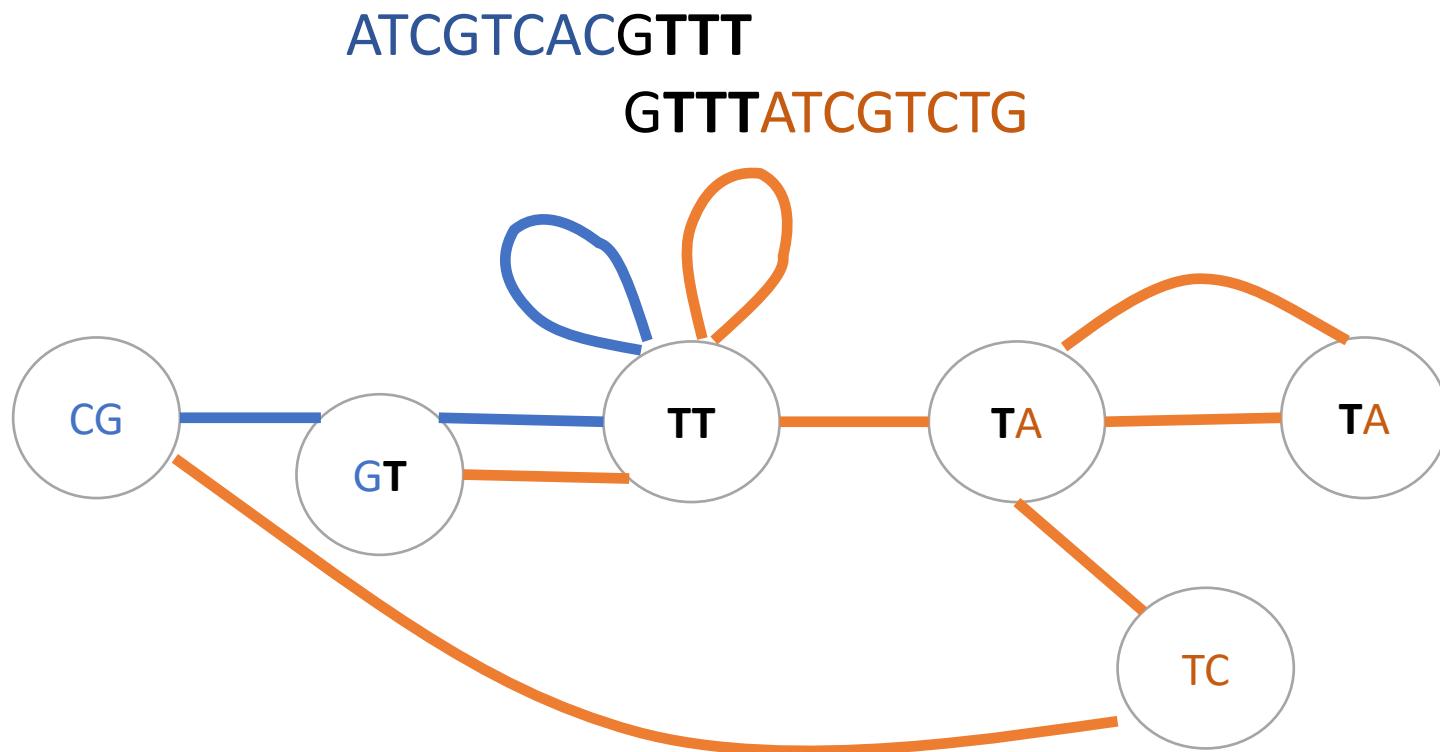
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**GTTT**ATCGTCTG



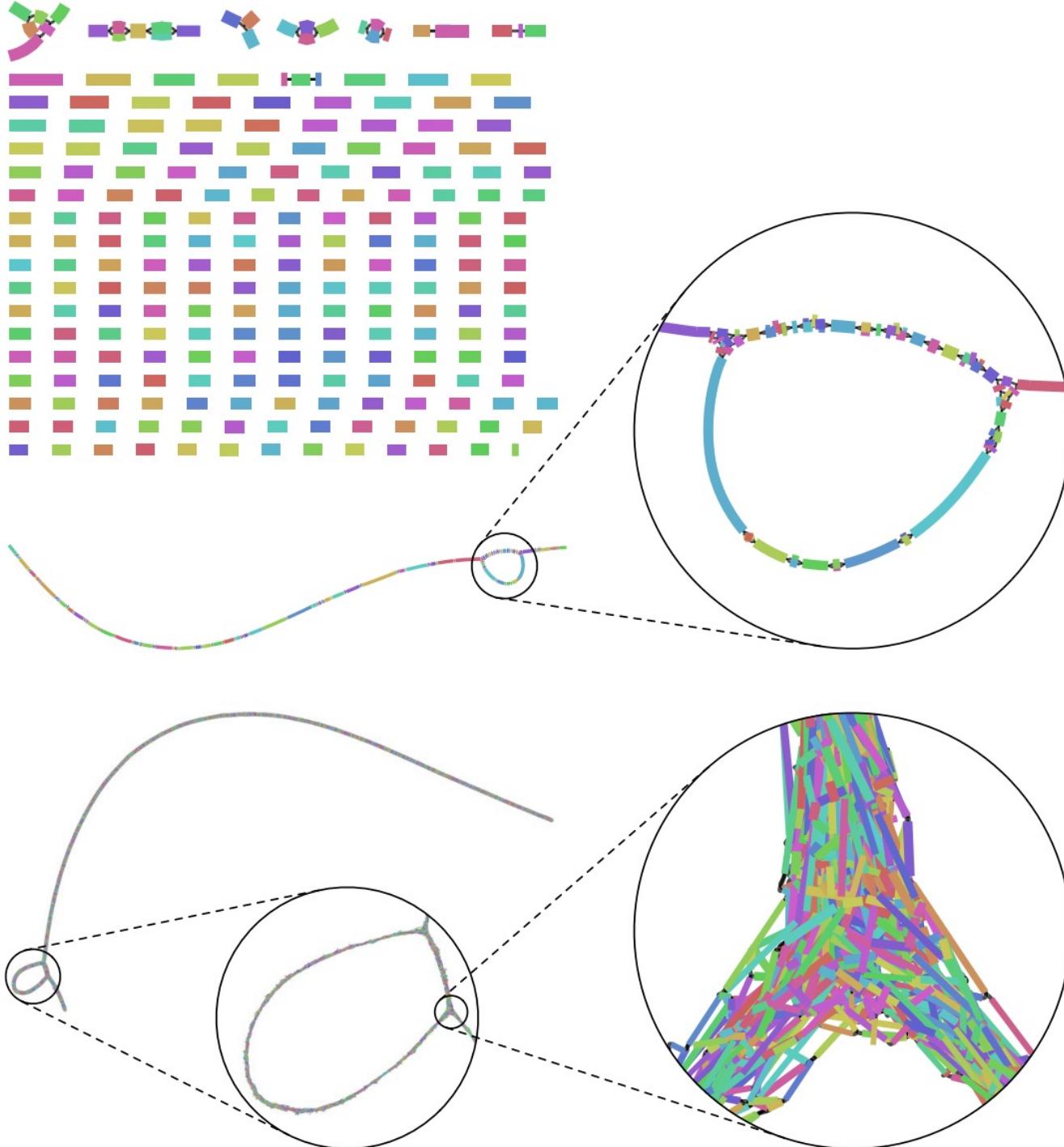
# Building assembly graphs

K=2



## 2. Assembly

- Assembly graph with multiple k-mers
- Sophisticated graph simplification
- Error correction



# 2. Assembly

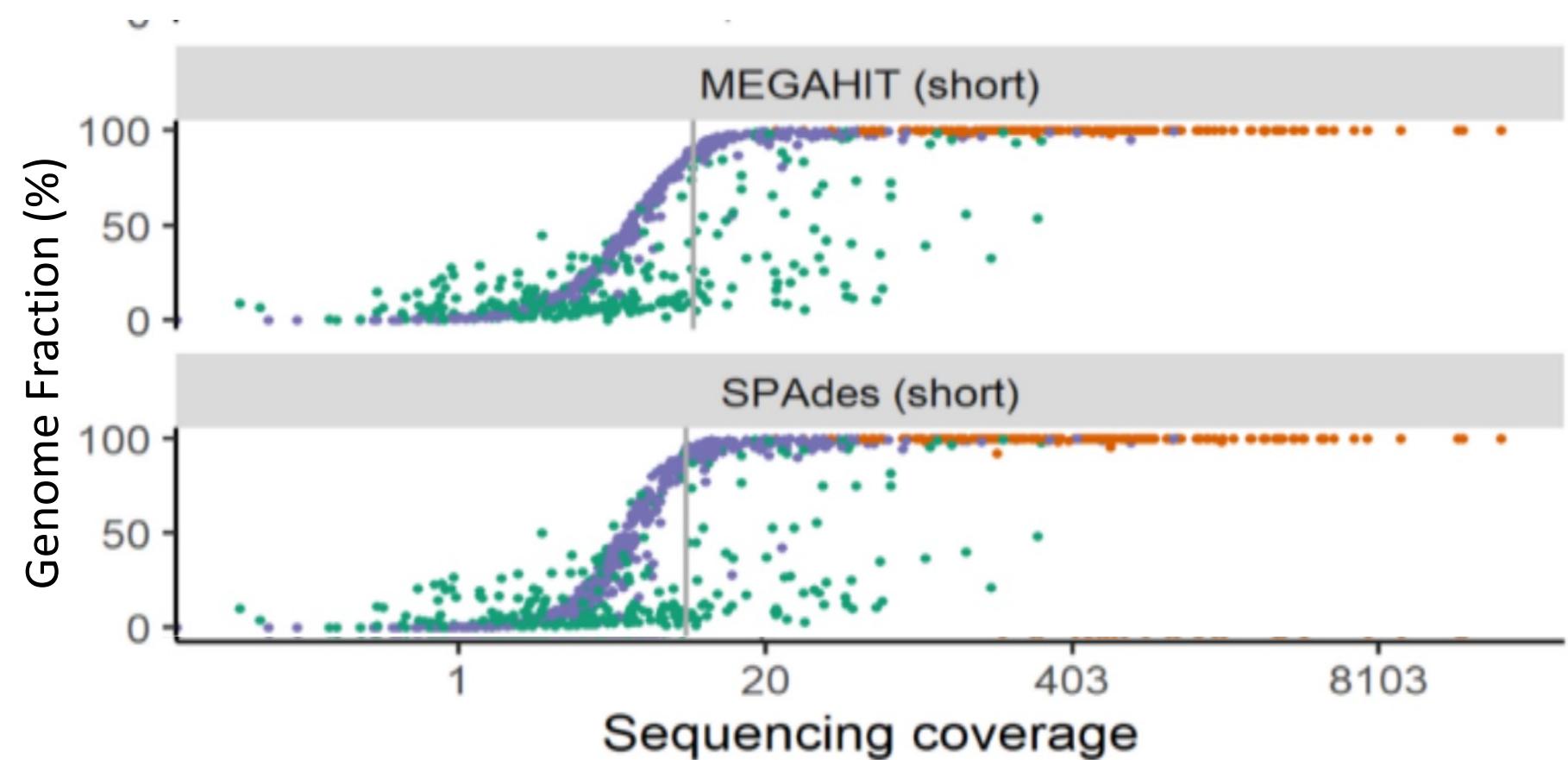
- Uses metaSpades or megahit
- Pre-processing
  - Error correction
  - Paired-end merging (pre-assembly)



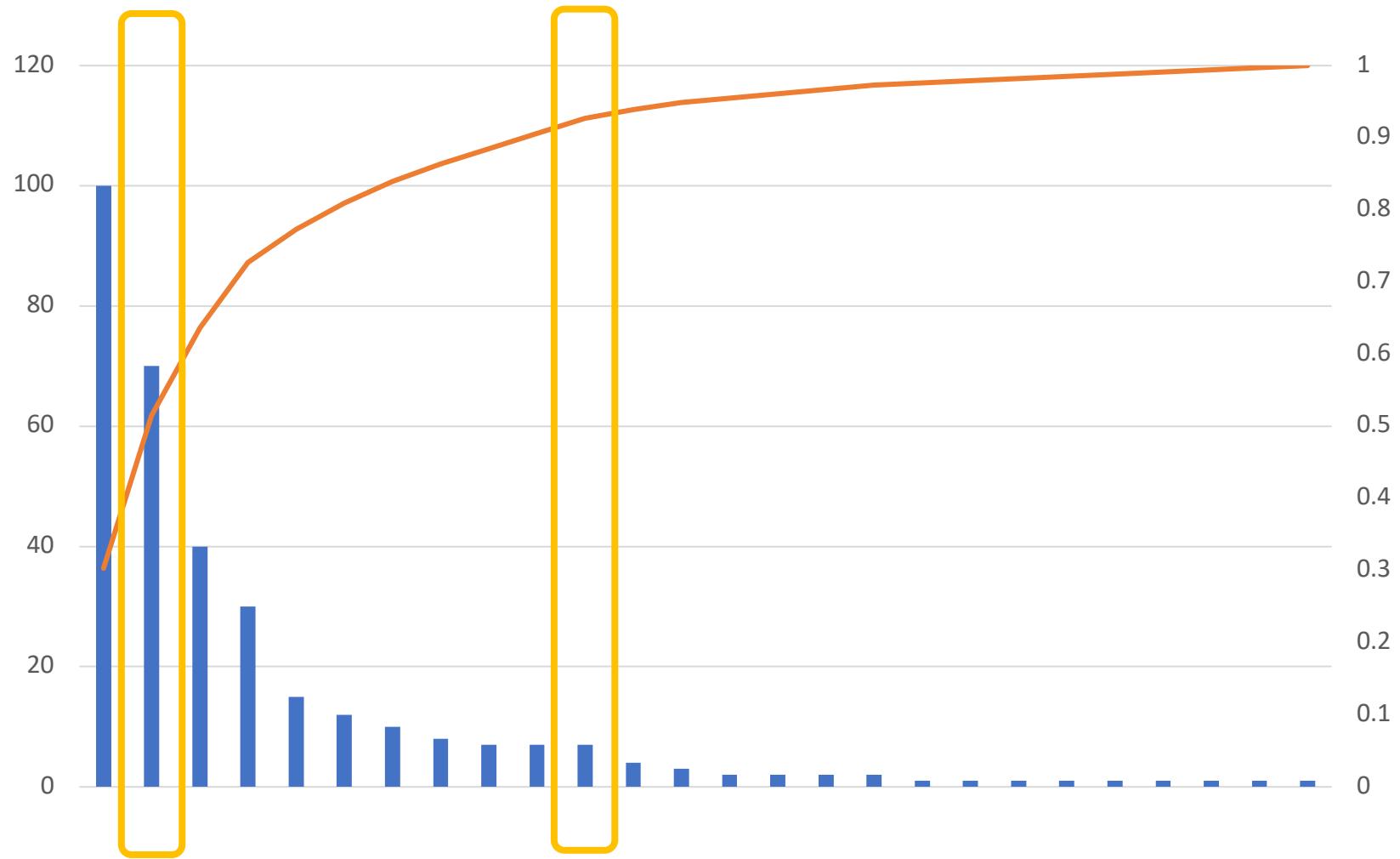
## 2. Assembly

- Uses metaSpades or megahit
- Pre-processing
  - Error correction
  - Paired-end merging (pre-assembly)
- Post-processing
  - Filtering based on length and coverage
- Hybrid assembly supported

# A minimum coverage is needed for good assembly



# N50/N90

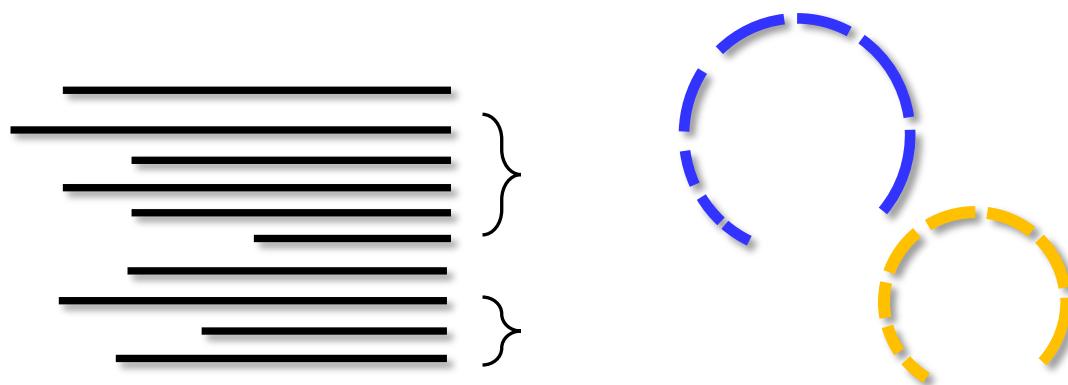


# 3. Binning

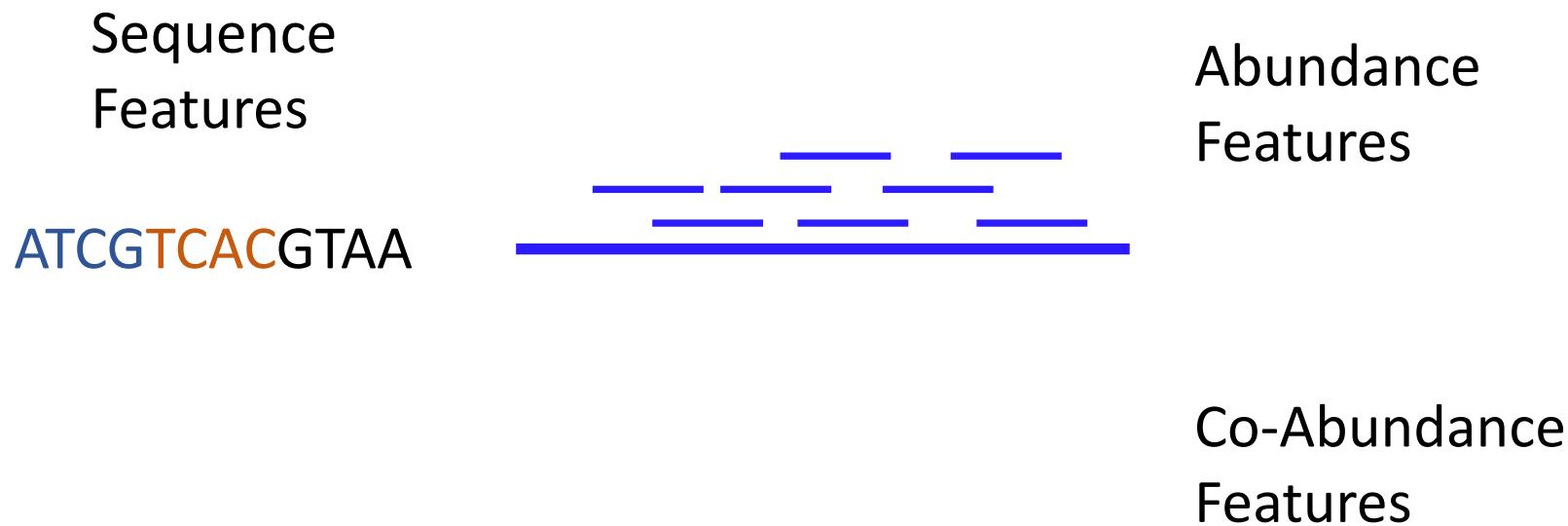
# 3. Binning

- a) Binning
- b) Quality estimation & Bin refinement
- c) Dereplication

# Binning: Clustering of Contigs

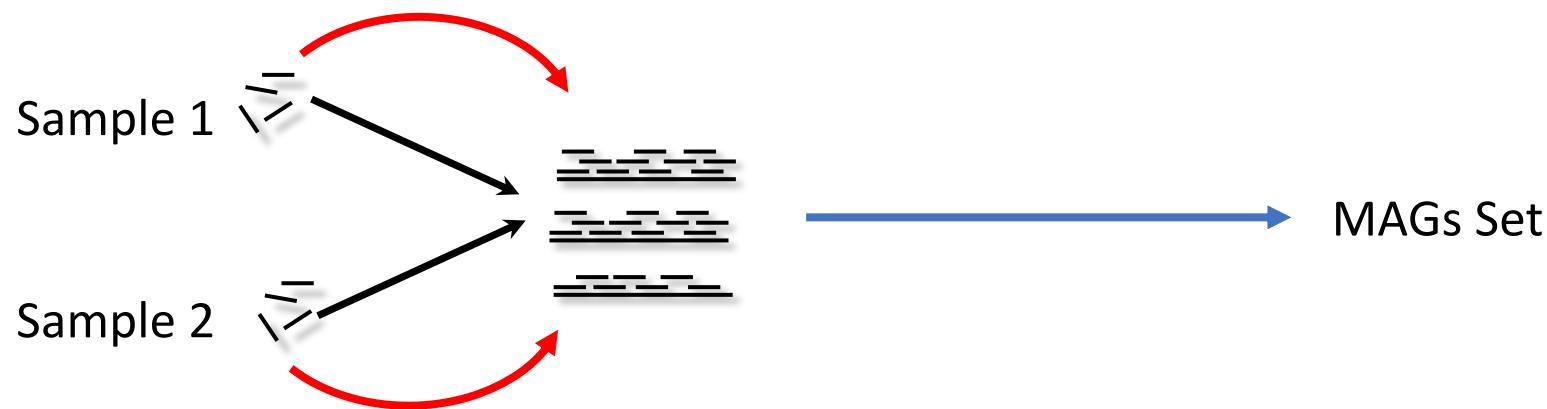


# How do we bin contigs into genomes?



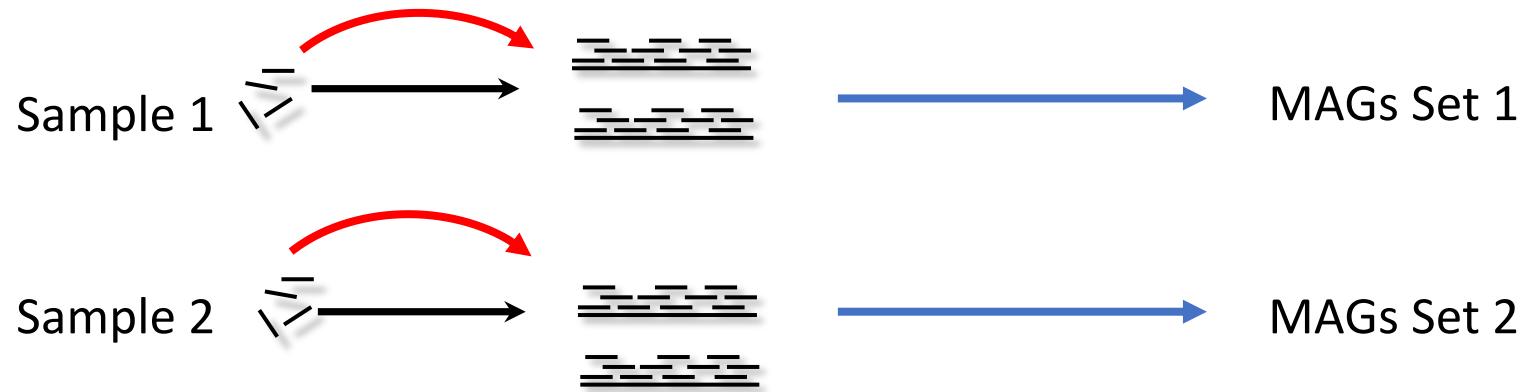
# Co-abundance

## Option 1: Co-assembly



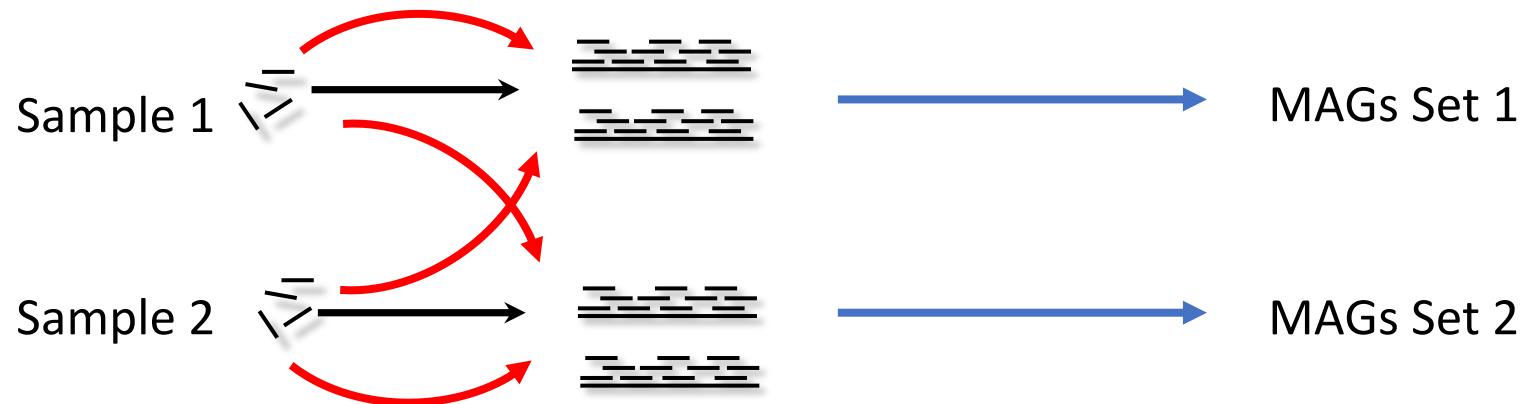
# Co-abundance

Option 2: Single-sample assembly/Binnig



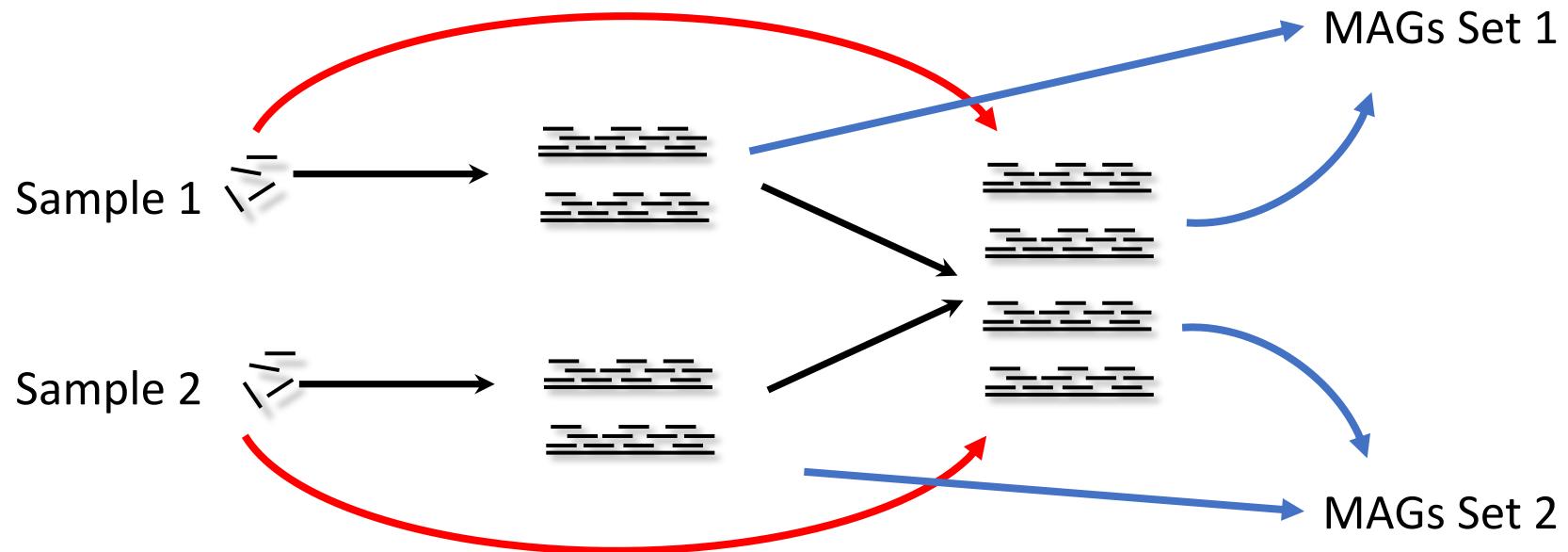
# Co-abundance

## Option 3: Cross mapping



# Co-abundance

## Option 4:Co-binning



# 3 Binning

Single-sample / Cross mapping:

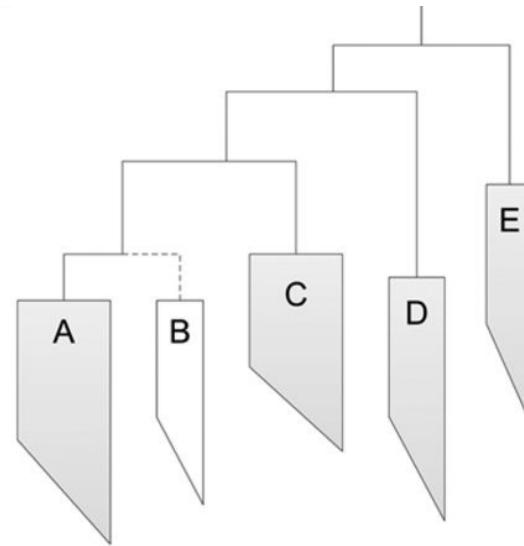
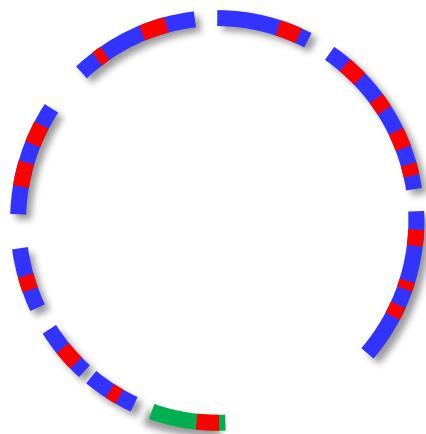
- Metabat2
- Maxbin2

Co-Binning

- Vamb
- SemiBin

# Quality estimation

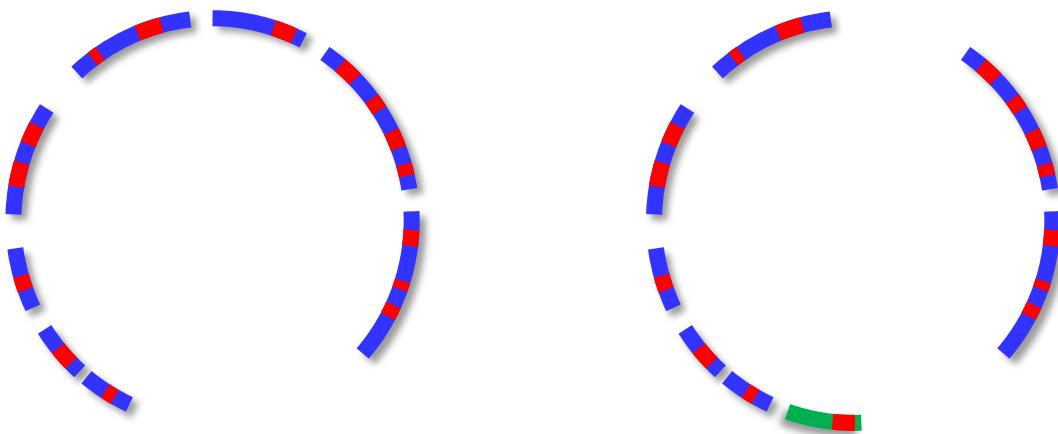
(Essential) single-copy genes



**BUSCO**

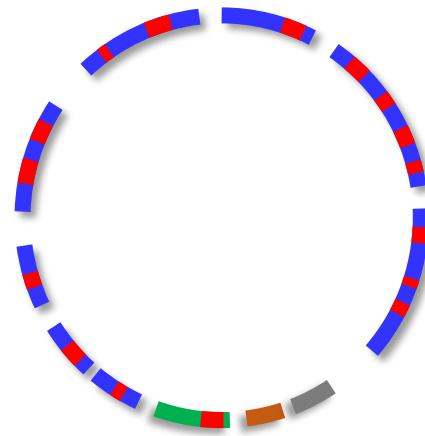
# Bin Refinement

DAS Tool: Choose best Bin



# Bin Refinement

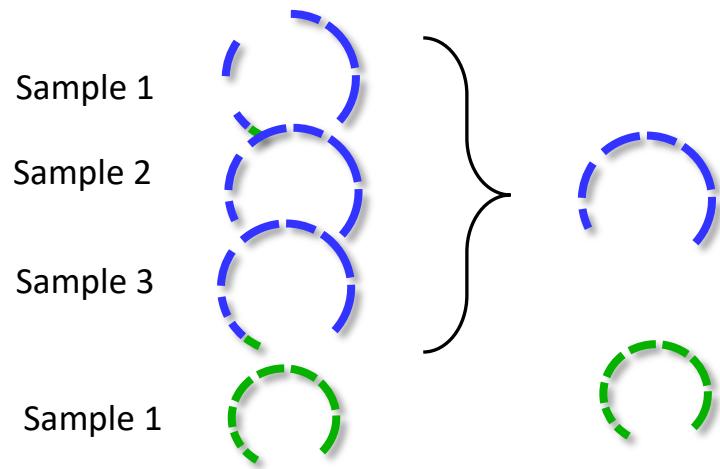
GUNC: Filtering based on Taxonomy



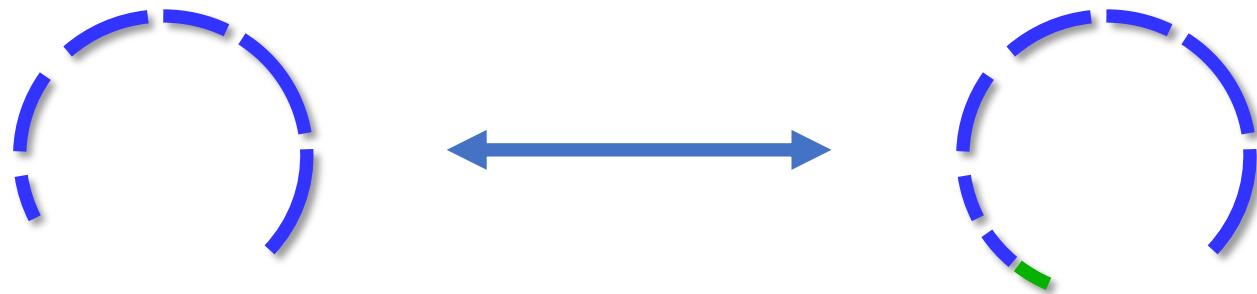
# Atlas uses the same tools as large-scale studies on the Human microbiome

	CIBO	EBI	JGI	ATLAS
	Pasolli et al. 2019	Almeida et al. 2019	Nayfach et al. 2019	Kieser et al. 2020
Assembly	metaSpades Megahit			
Binning	Metabat	Metabat	Metabat Maxbin Concoct DASTool	Metabat Maxbin  DASTool VAMB SemiBin
Quality estimation	CheckM			

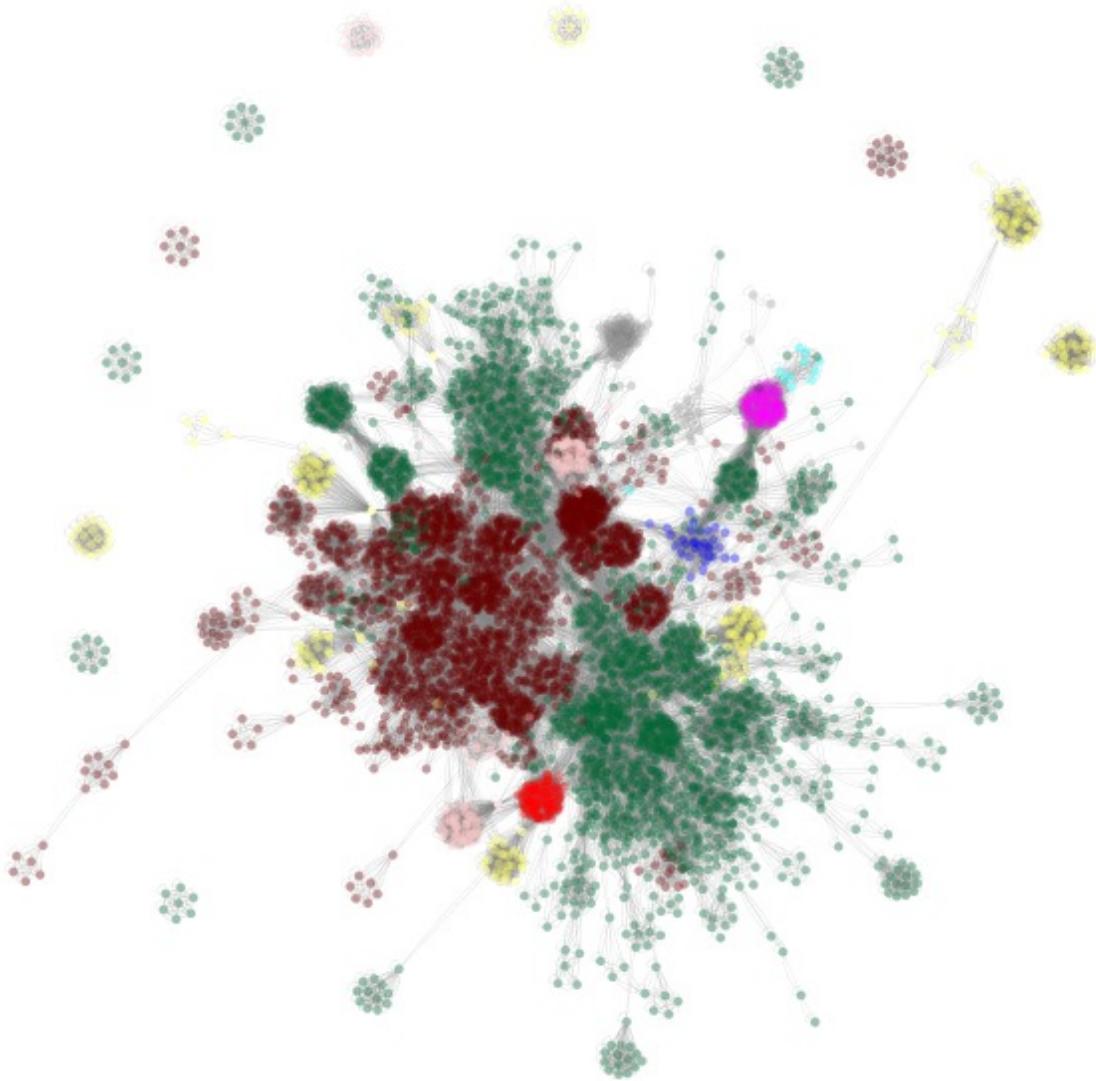
# De-replication



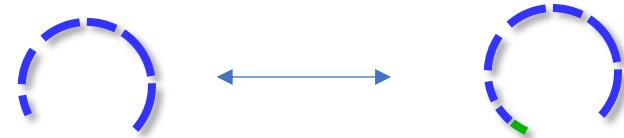
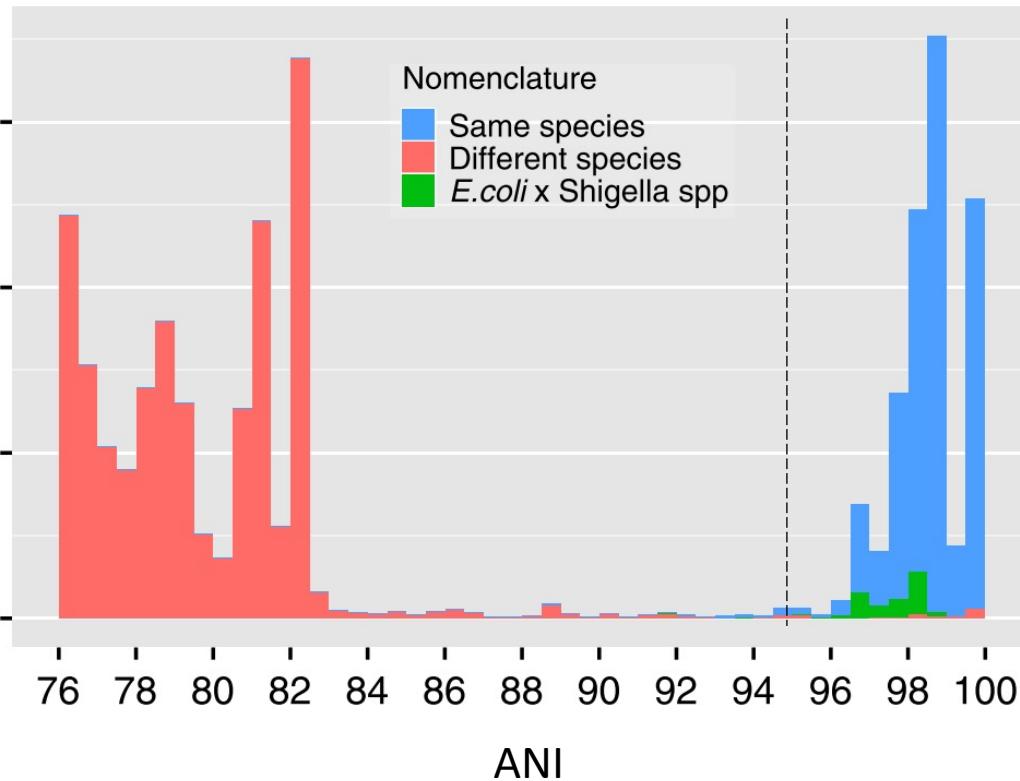
# Average nucleotide Identity (ANI)



Mash

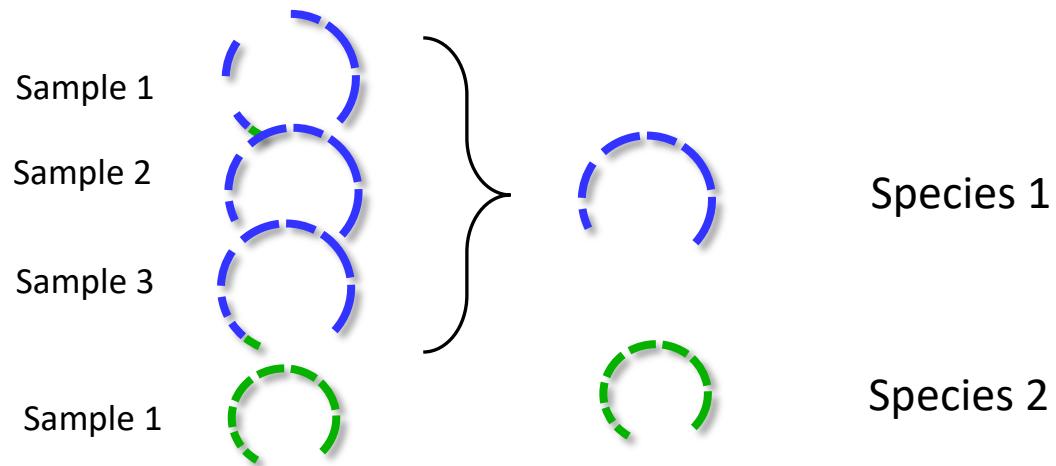


# 95% ANI used as species threshold



Jain et al. 2018

# De-replication



# 4. Annotation

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What does it all mean?

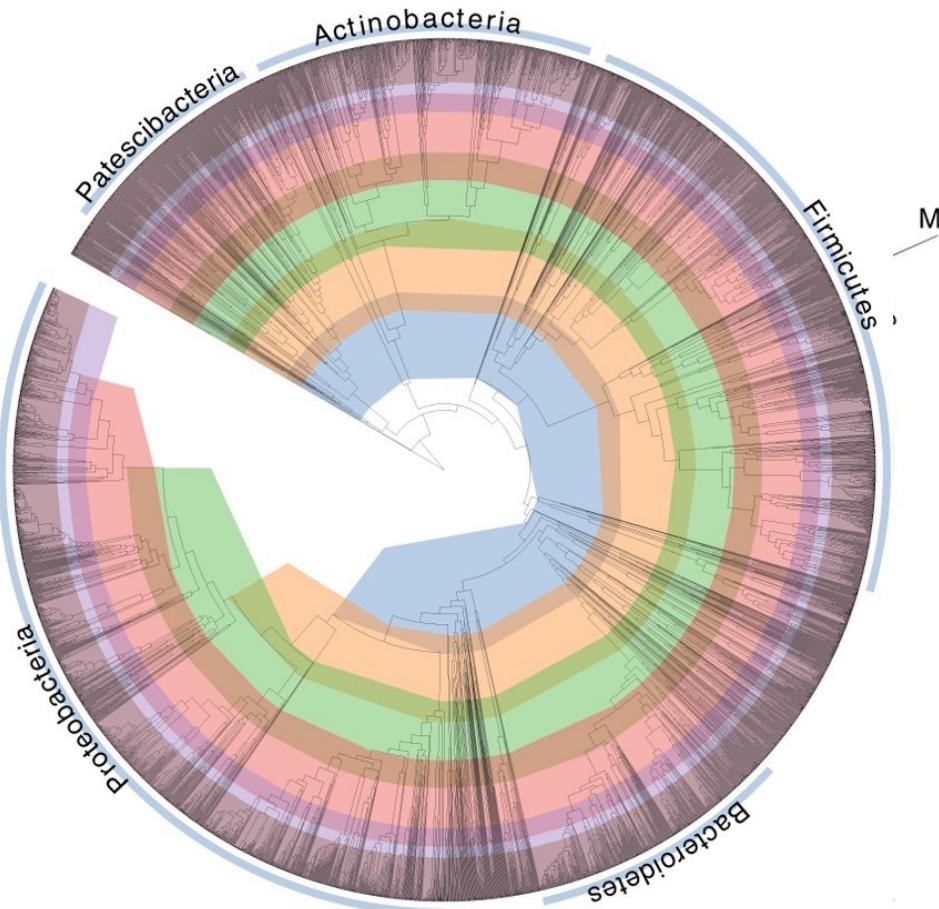
# 4. Annotations

- a) Functions
- b) Taxonomy

# Taxonomic annotation

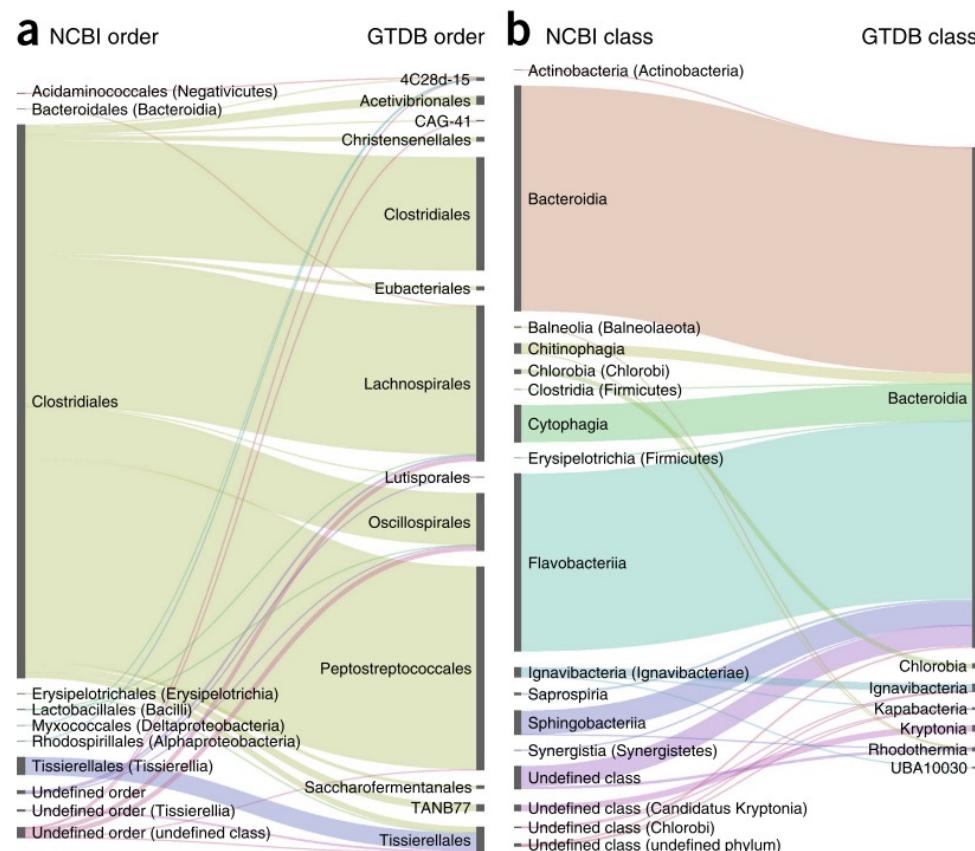
Genome Taxonomy database  
(GTDB)

# Genome Taxonomy database

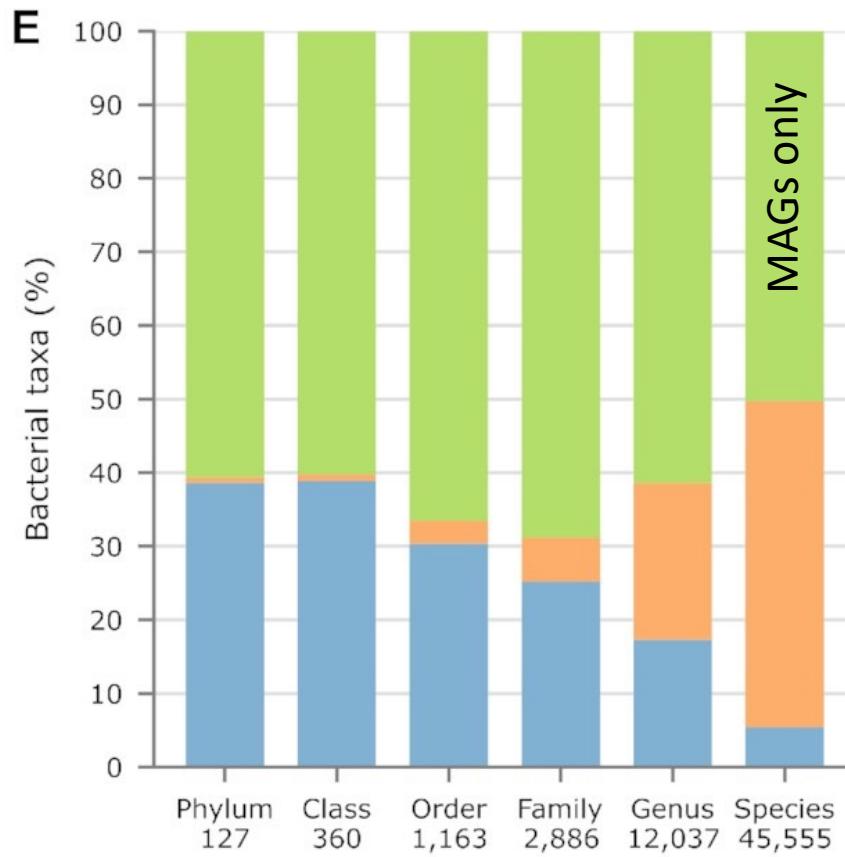


Parks et al. 10.1038/nbt.4229.

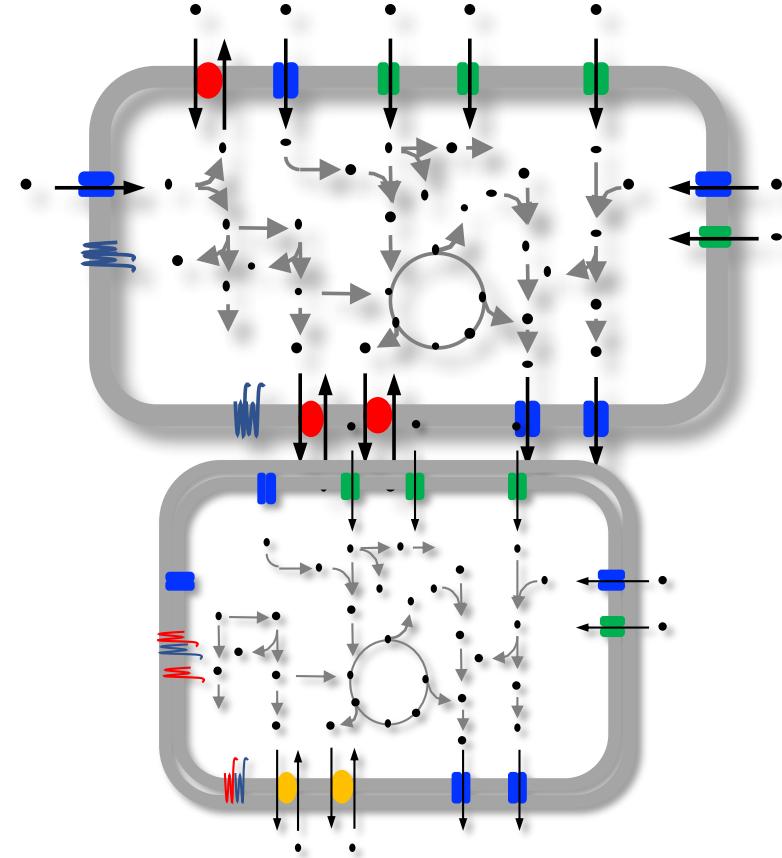
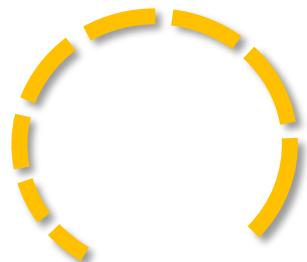
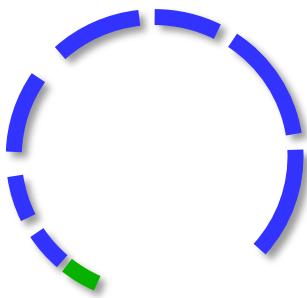
# Proposed rearrangements



# Genome Taxonomy database



# Functional annotation

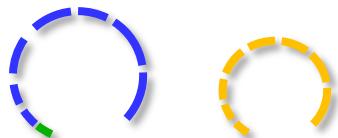


# Functional annotation

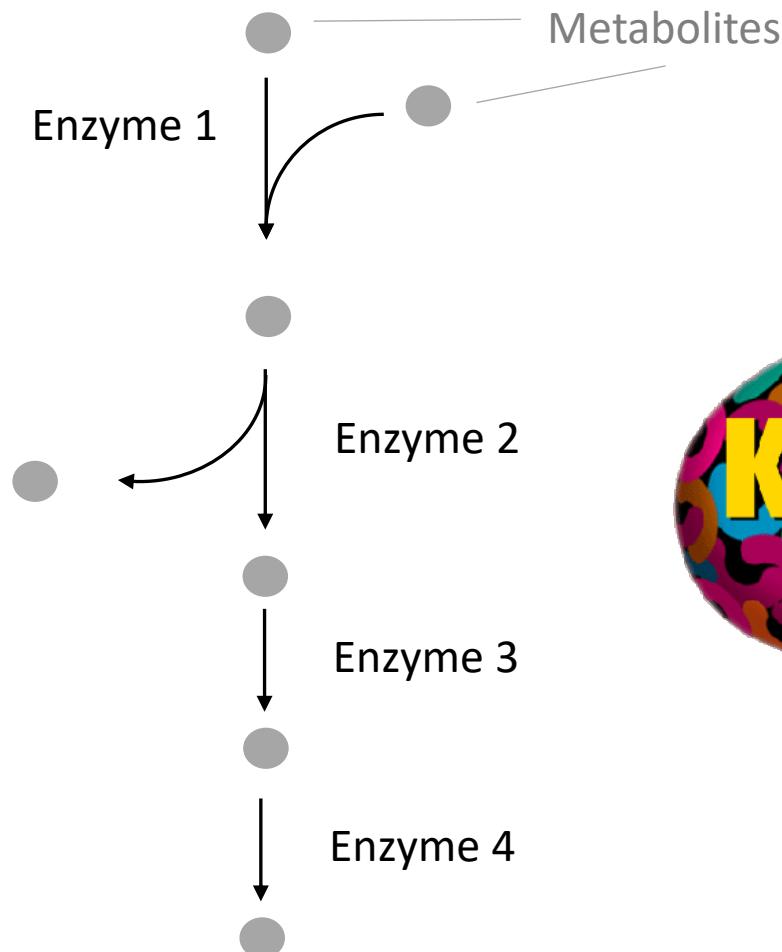


# Pathway inference

MAG 001 MAG002



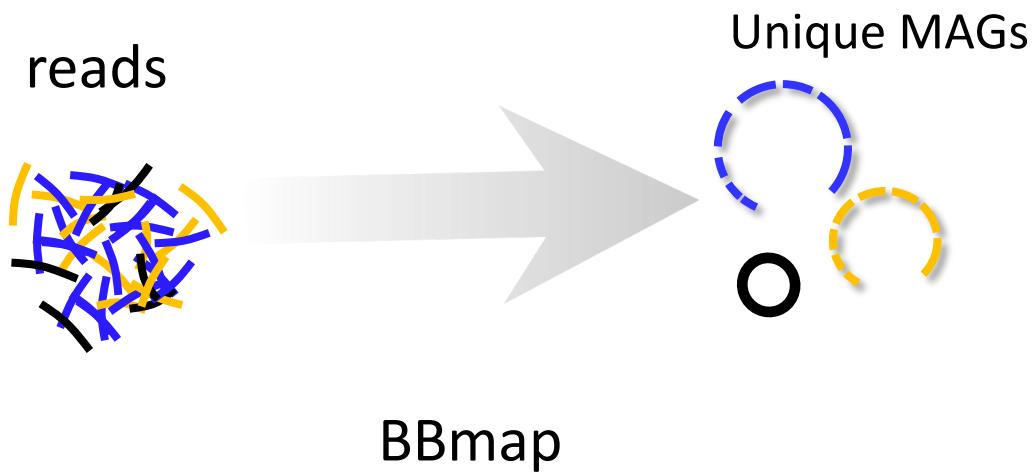
Enzyme 1	Enzyme 1
Enzyme 2	Enzyme 2
	Enzyme 4
X	✓



DRAM

# Quantification

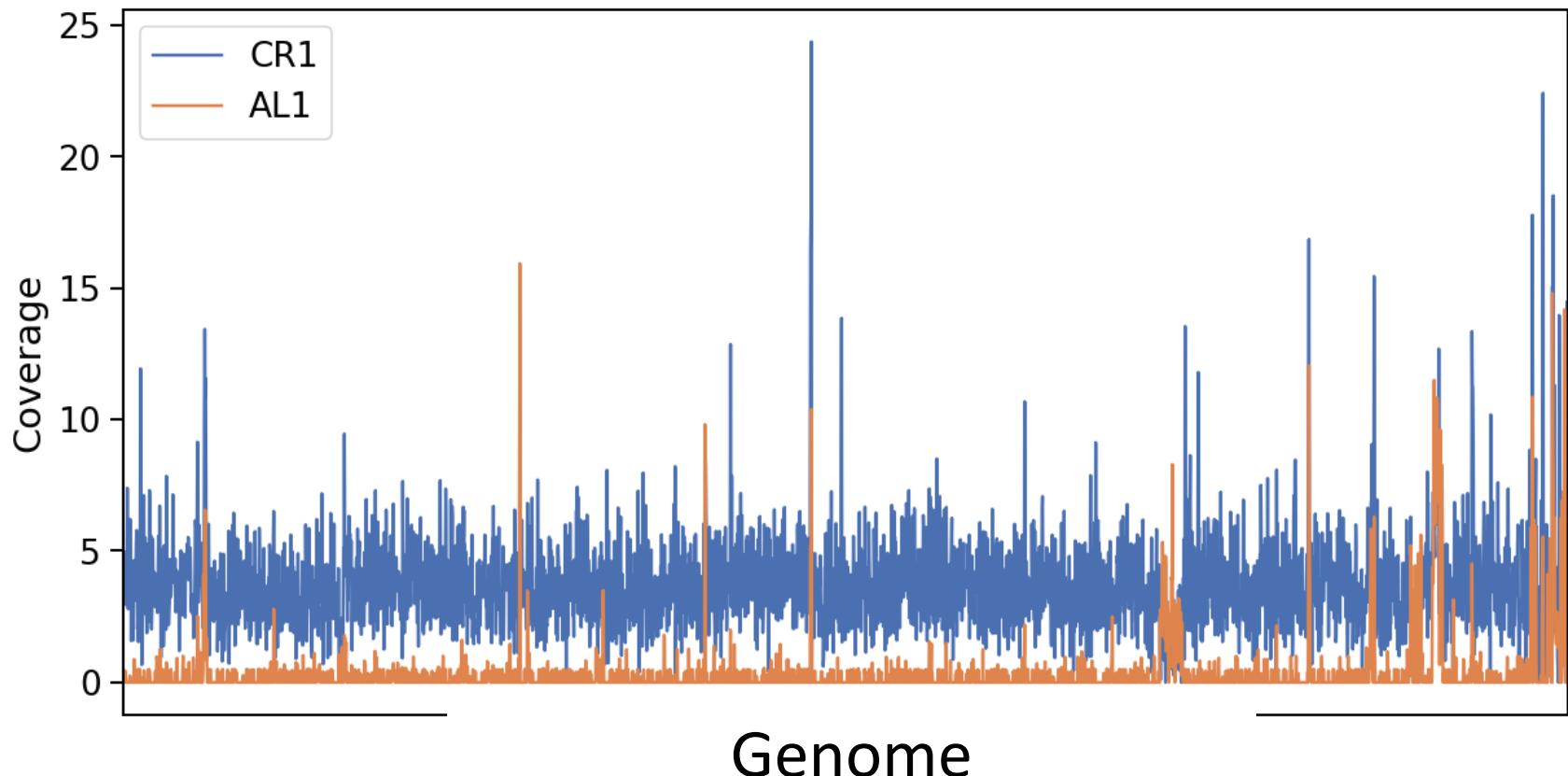
# Quantification



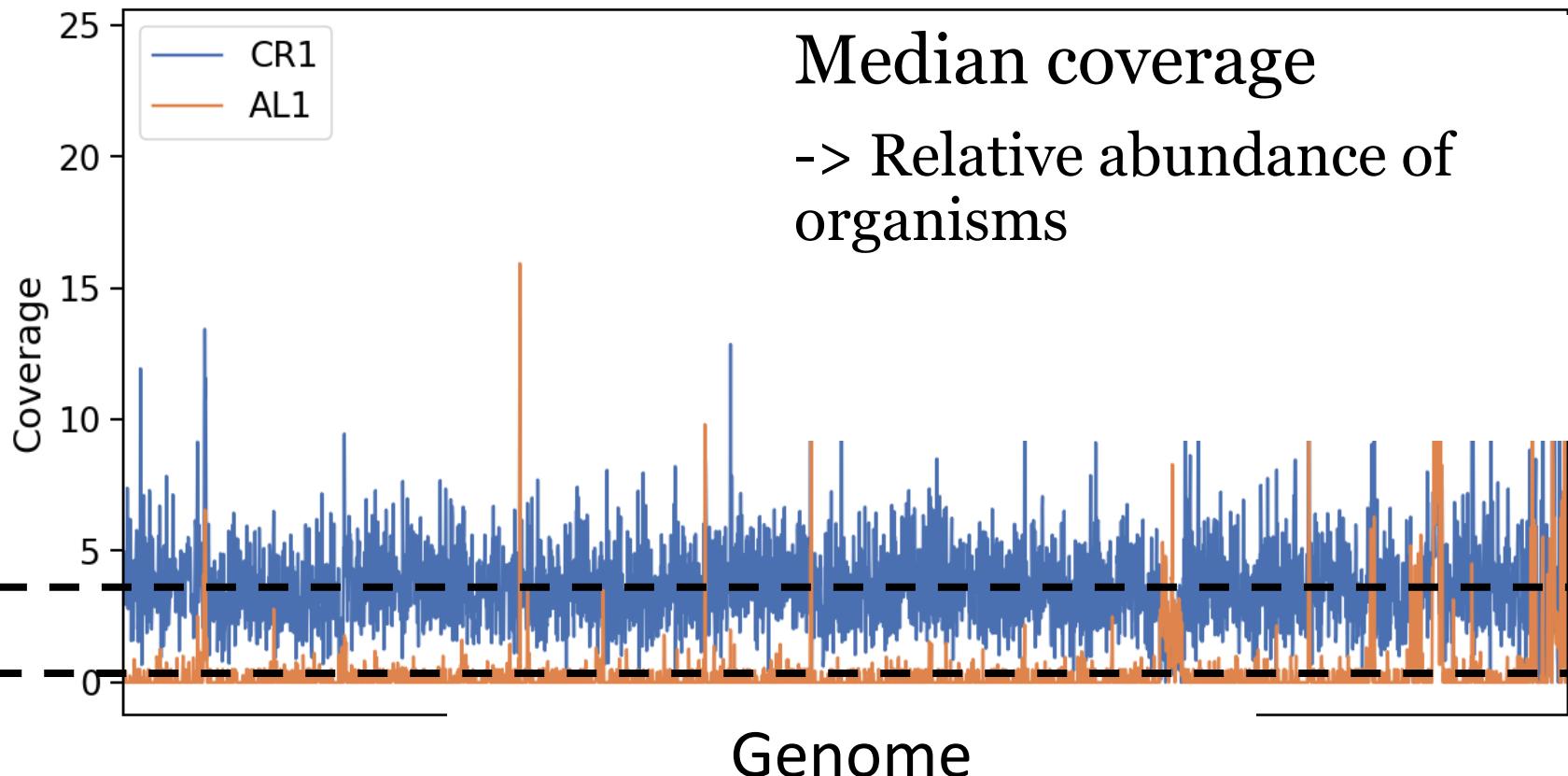
# Quantifying genomes is not straight forward

- Unmapped reads
- Ambiguous mapped reads
- Variability in coverage
- **Compositional nature of microbiome data**

# What is the abundance of a genome?

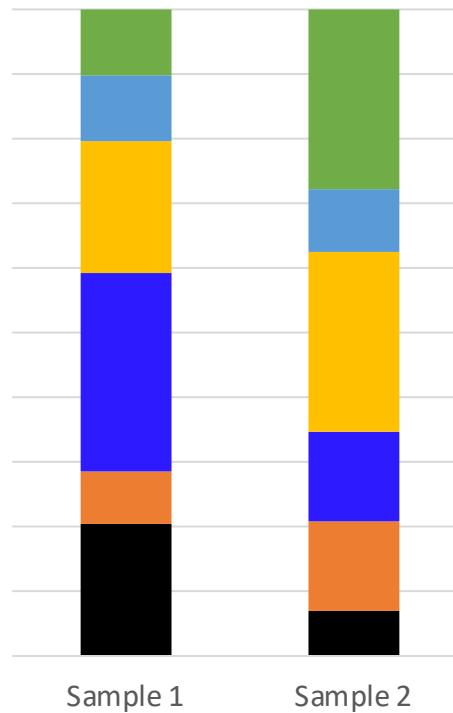


# What is the abundance of a genome?



# Statistical analysis

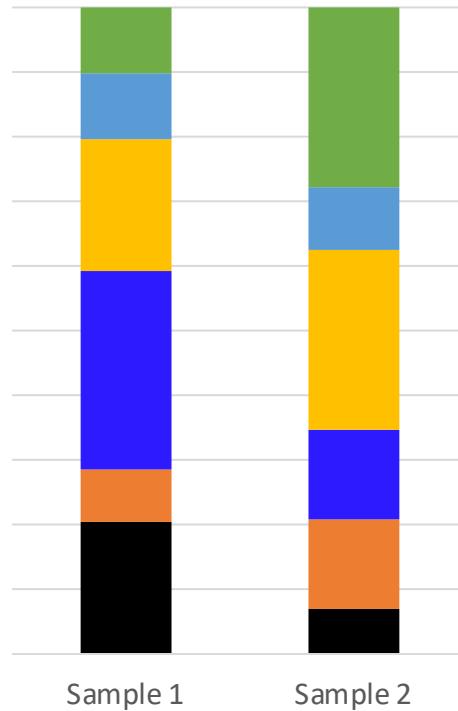
# Relative abundance



What to do with the unmapped reads?

Interpret microbial  
abundances as ratios

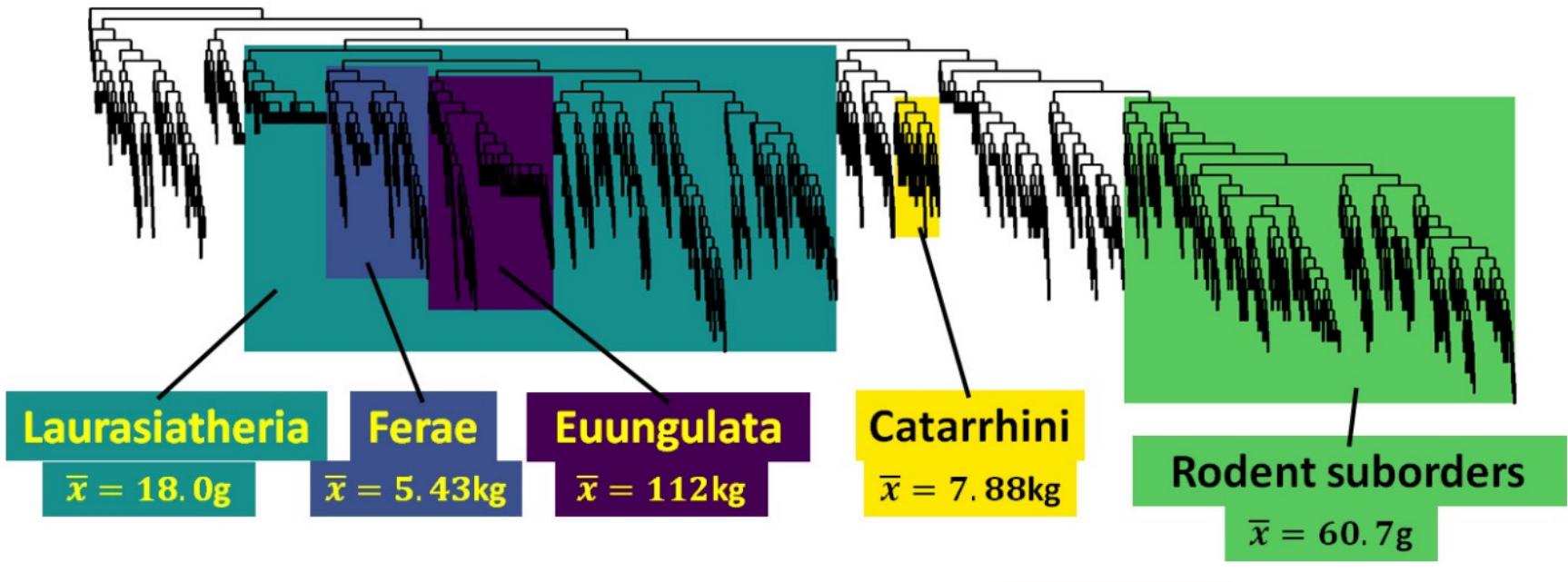
# Ratios



# Calculate ratios

- A) Based on phylogeny
- B) Centered log-ratios (CLR)
- C) Machine-learning based on ratios

# Phylofactor



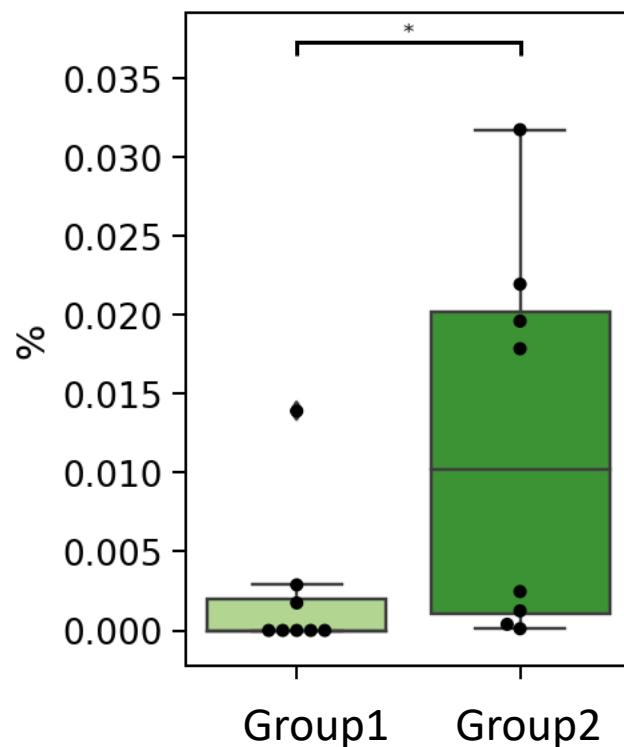
# Centered log ratios

Impute zeros

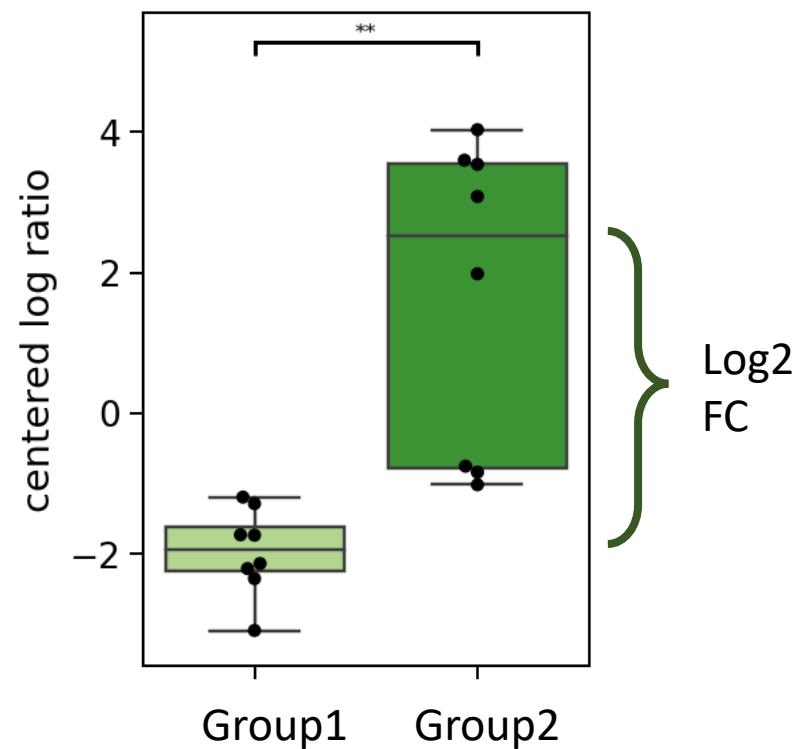
1. Take log
2. Subtract sample-mean

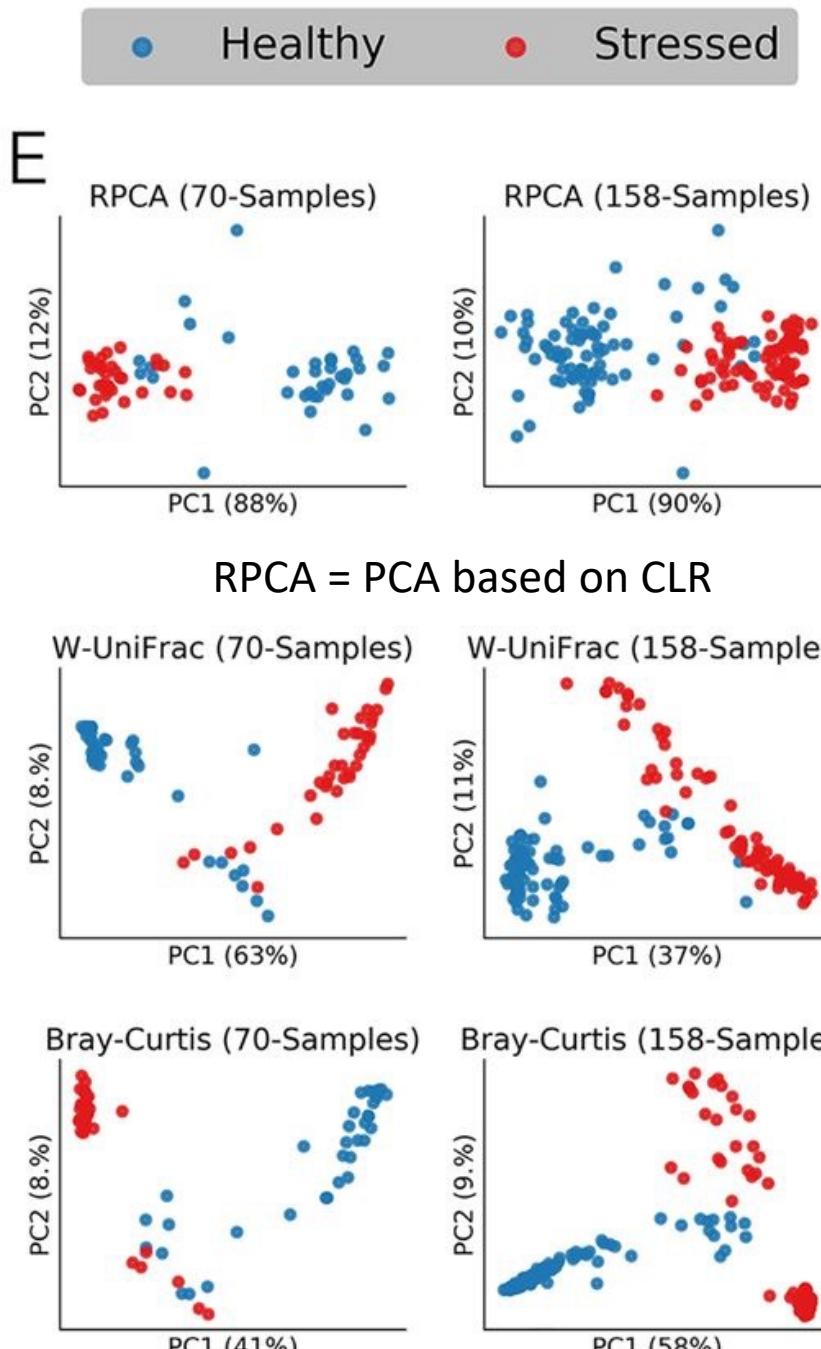
# Centered log ratios

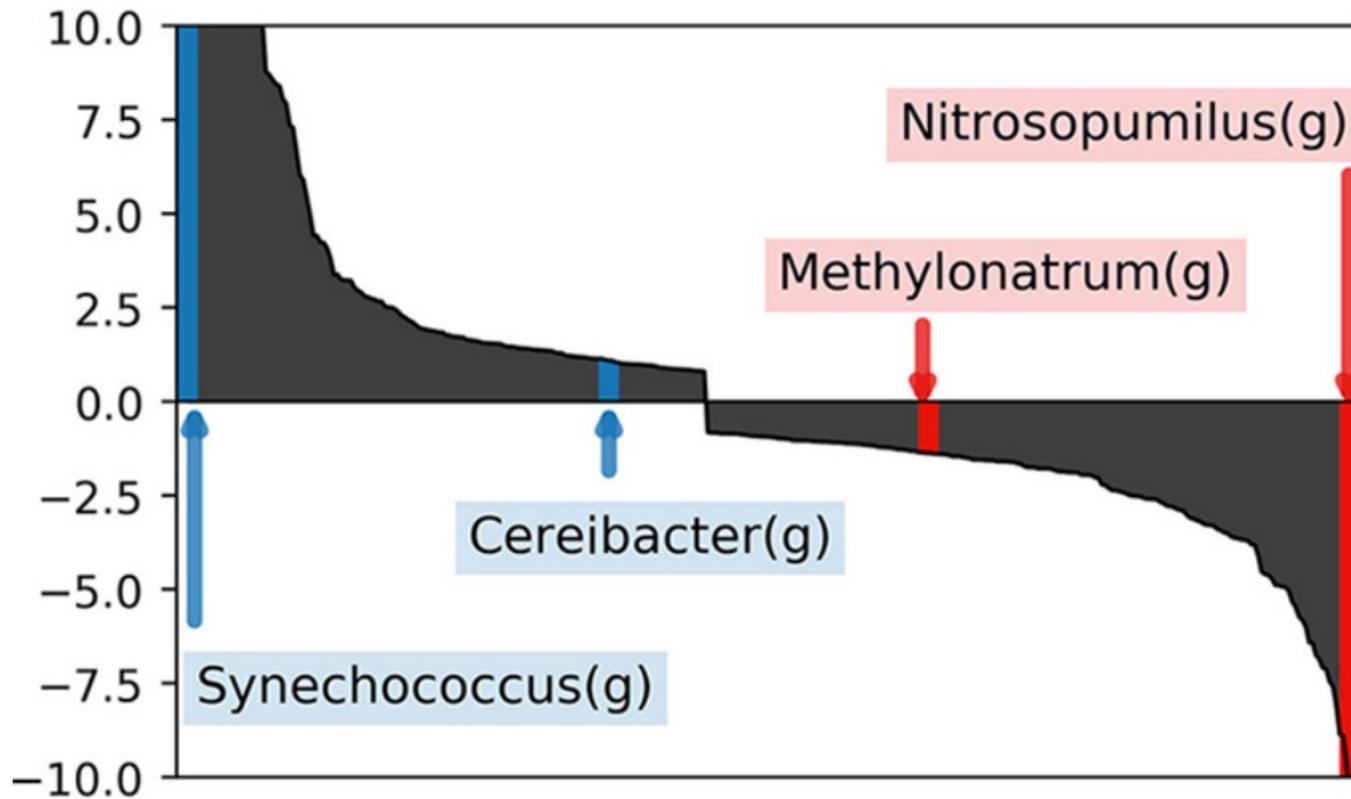
**Relative abundance**



**Centered log ratios**





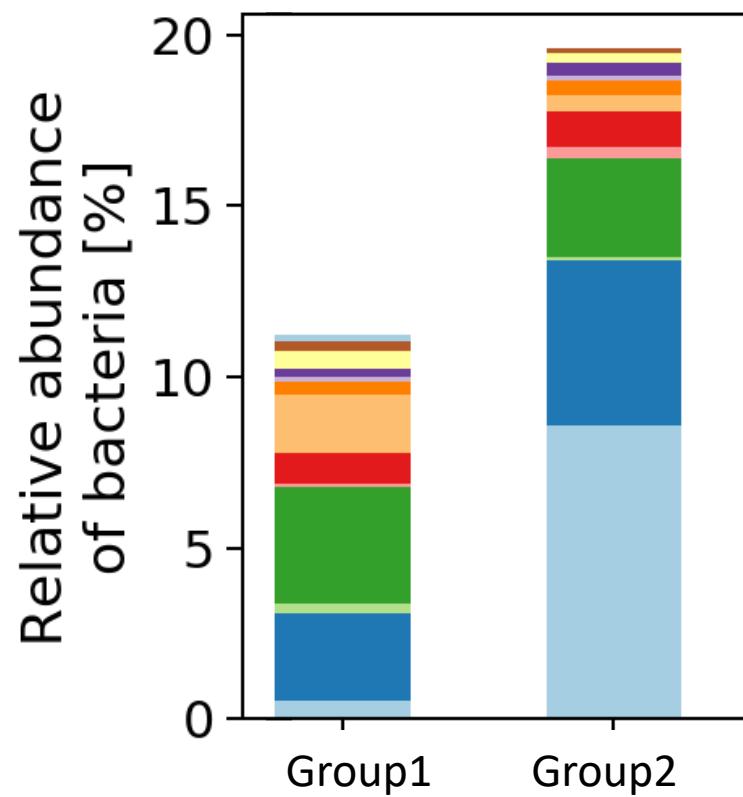


[silask.github.io](https://silask.github.io)  
Chapter 5 of my thesis

# Abundance of pathways

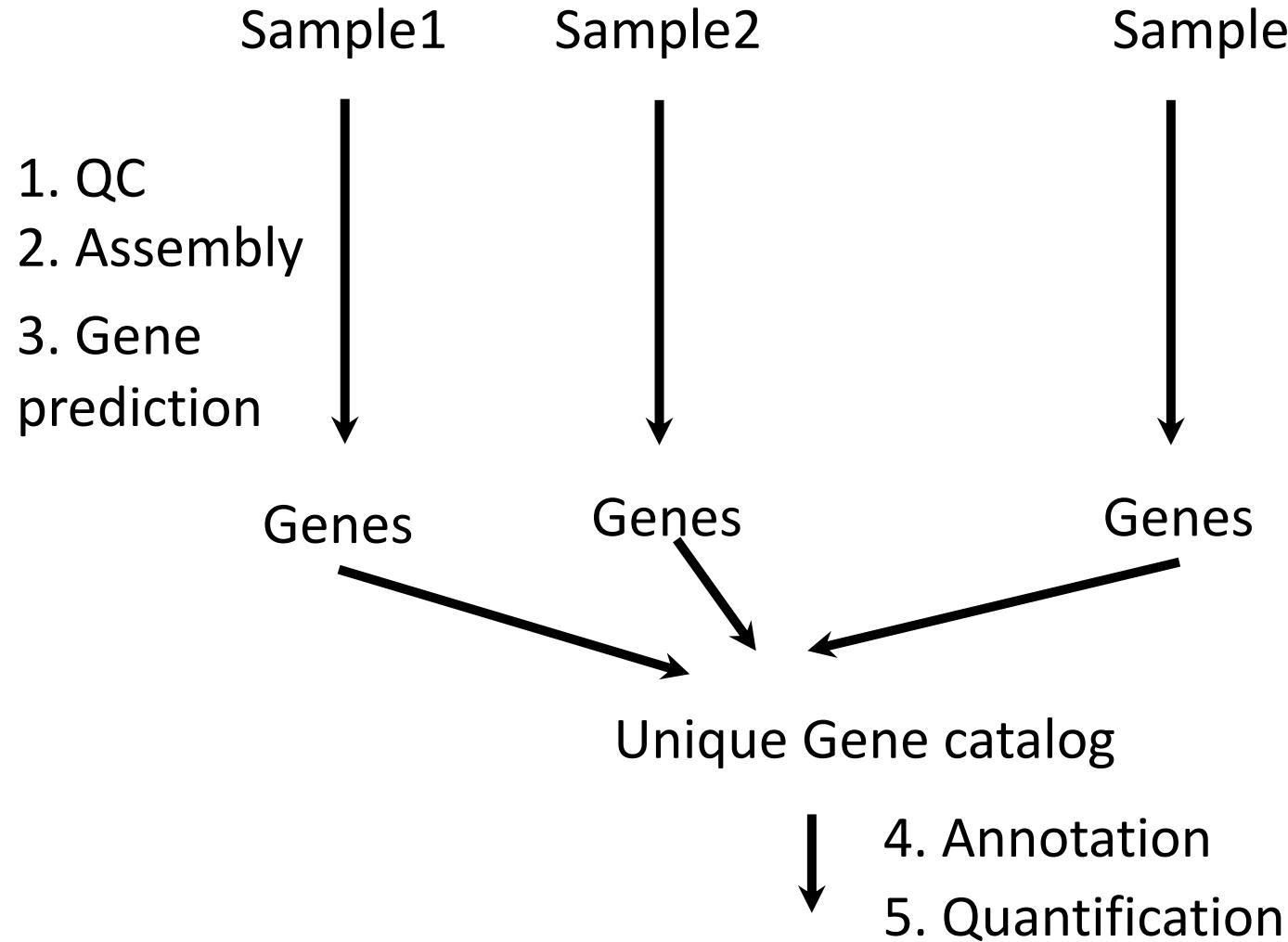
Sum of the species-abundance  
for all species where the  
pathway is present

# Abundance of pathways



# Gene catalog

# Atlas workflow



```
atlas run genecatalog
```

# Annotation

