

# 1 | METHODS

## 1.1 HI-C DATA

### 1.1.1 Mapping

Raw Hi-C reads were downloaded from published datasets (Table 1) through the Gene Expression Omnibus (GEO)<sup>[1]</sup> or the Short Read Archive (SRA)<sup>[2]</sup> with identifiers: GSE35156 (H1 hESC), GSE18199 (K562) and SRX030113 (GM12878). These paired reads were mapped independently to a reference genome: hg19/GRCh37 for human data, and mm10/GRCm38 for mouse.

Mapping was performed using the hiclib software package<sup>[6]</sup> and bowtie2<sup>[7]</sup> with the `--very-sensitive` flag. An iterative mapping approach was used to maximise the number of aligning fragments.<sup>[6]</sup> Each fragment end was aligned first using short terminal sub-sequences. Those unmapped or with ambiguous mapping were then taken forward into the next iteration and extended until the entire fragment end had been aligned. Those remaining pairs with one or more unmapped ends were discarded.

This approach is designed to maximise uniquely-alignable fragment ends, while avoiding mismappings caused by crossing the fragment junction.<sup>[8]</sup>

### 1.1.2 Filtering

After mapping, interactions are first aggregated into restriction fragments then by regular binning of various resolutions (particularly 40 kb, 100 kb and 1 Mb). Several filters were applied at this stage, with the following cases removed:<sup>[6,8]</sup>

- Reads directly adjacent to a restriction enzyme site (within 5 bp)
- Identical read pairs (presumed PCR duplicates)

Table 1: Public Hi-C data used in this work.

Cell line	Total reads	Accession	Citation
Gm12878	$31 \times 10^6$	SRX030113	3
H1 hESC	$331 \times 10^6$	GSE35156	4
K562	$36 \times 10^6$	GSE18199	5
Cortex	$373 \times 10^6$	GSE35156	4
mESC	$476 \times 10^6$	GSE35156	4
IMR90	$355 \times 10^6$	GSE35156	4

- Very large restriction fragments ( $> 100$  kb) which are likely from a repetitive or poorly-assembled region
- Extremely over-represented fragments (top .05%) which may throw-off eigenvector derivation

### 1.1.3 Correction

Iterative correction and eigenvector expansion (ICE) is an approach to normalisation and processing Hi-C data, implemented as software library written in python.<sup>[6]</sup> The iterative correction algorithm performs matrix balancing with the aim of generating a doubly stochastic matrix from raw interaction counts. That is, such that symmetric matrix  $A$  has both row and columns of equal sum. In practice, this effectively enforces “equal visibility” of each fragment, correcting for previously-described biases in interaction recovery such as GC-content and fragment length<sup>[9]</sup> but without explicitly modelling these latent variables. This procedure is thus converting actual interaction counts into normalised interaction frequencies (IF), and to relative rather than absolute quantities. Scaling of IFs permits comparison of Hi-C experiments with very different sequencing depths (as is the case in this work, see Table 1). Despite differences in the levels of sequencing, otherwise the experiment methods underlying the produced Hi-C data were similar: the HindIII restriction enzyme was used in each case and the Hi-C protocol was largely unchanged (that is, we did not consider data from Hi-C variants such as TCC<sup>[3]</sup> and *in-situ* Hi-C<sup>[10]</sup>).

### 1.1.4 Eigenvector calculation

Additional functionality provided by ICE is the eigenvector expansion of normalised contact maps. Eigenvectors from observed/expected matrices were chosen for consistency with Lieberman Aiden *et al.*,<sup>[5]</sup> as opposed to the related eigenvectors calculated in Imakaev *et al.*<sup>[6]</sup> from the corrected maps alone. The details of this procedure are described in section 1.5.2. Briefly, observed contacts (O) are divided by an expected matrix (E) which is generated by averaging the super- and sub-diagonals of the O matrix. That is, the E matrix gives the expected value of interactions at a given distance.

Importantly, the first two principle components (PCs) were calculated, and that with the highest absolute Spearman correlation with GC content is taken to reflect A/B compartmentalisation. PC eigenvectors were then orientated to positively correlate with GC, ensuring positive values reflected A compartments and negative values B compartments. Another subtlety is the calculation of eigenvectors per chromosome arm as opposed to per chromosome, this prevents issues with some meta- and sub-metacentric chromosomes where the first principle component indicated chromosome

arms.<sup>[5,6]</sup> Eigenvector expansion was performed on both 1 Mb and 100 kb matrices, below these resolutions results became less stable, and it has been shown that eigenvectors at

## 1.2 ENCODE FEATURES

Genome-wide ChIP-seq datasets for: 22 DNA binding proteins and 10 histone marks were made available by the ENCODE consortium<sup>[11,12]</sup> along with DNase I hypersensitivity and H2A.Z occupancy, for each of the Tier 1 ENCODE cell lines used in this work: H1 hESC, K562 and GM12878. These data were pre-processed using MACSv2<sup>[13]</sup> to produce fold-change relative to input chromatin. GC content was also calculated and used in the featureset to give 35 total inputs (Table 2).

**Table 2:** ChIP-seq and other public datasets used in this work.

Histone modifications	DNA binding proteins	Other
H3K27ac, H3K27me3, H3K36me3, H3K4me1, H3K4me2, H3K4me3, H3K79me2, H3K9ac, H3K9me3, H4K20me1	ATF3, CEBPB, CHD1, CHD2, CMYC, CTCF, EGR1, EZH2, GABP, JUND, MAX, MXI1, NRSF, POL2, P300, RAD21, SIX5, SP1, TAF1, TBP, YY1, ZNF143	DNase, GC content, H2A.Z

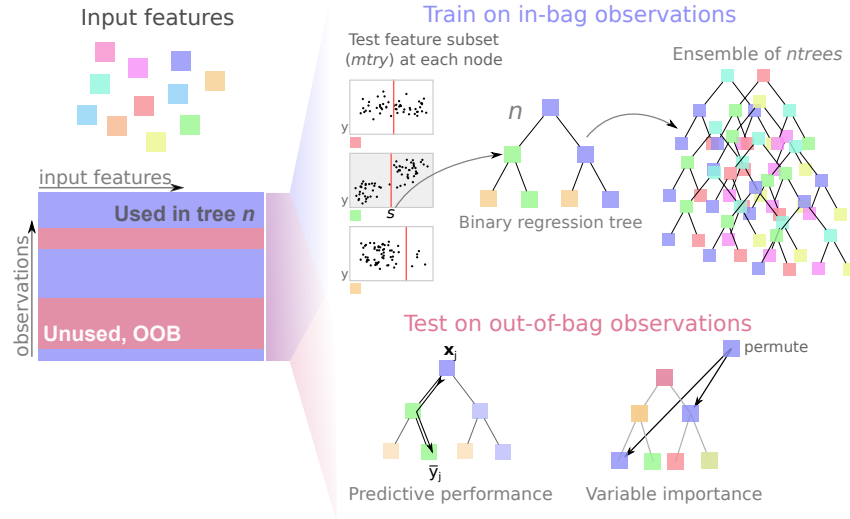
### 1.2.1 Clustering input features

To quantify collinearity of input features, correlation matrices built from genome-wide vectors of input feature measures were built and hierarchically clustered. The "significance" of observed clustering was assessed using sub- and super-sampled bootstrapping, with stable clusters deemed significant, as implemented in the pvclust R package.<sup>[14]</sup>

## 1.3 MODELLING

### 1.3.1 Random Forest

Random Forest (RF) regression,<sup>[15]</sup> was used as implemented in the R package randomForest.<sup>[16]</sup> The RF algorithm (Fig. 1) makes use of a collective of regression trees (size *ntrees*), each built from a bootstrapped sample of the training set. In



**Figure 1: Random Forests overview.** Random Forests are an ensemble of bagged, de-correlated classification or regression trees first described by Breiman.<sup>[15]</sup>

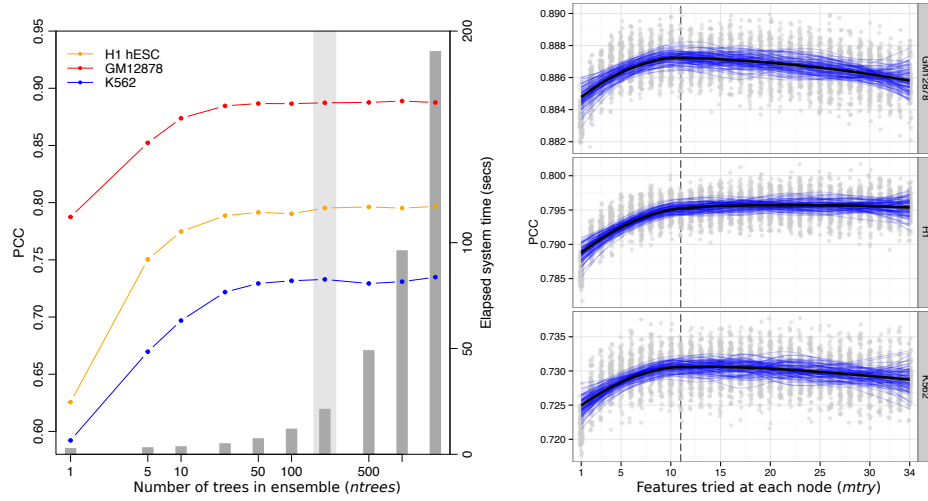
growing each tree, a small number of variables ( $mtry$ ) is tested at each bifurcation node, and that which minimises the variance in child node subsets is selected at a specific threshold. Having trained a group of trees, these can then be used as predictive tools by inputting a vector of features to each tree and averaging the output leaf node value across the forest. RF regression was used as it is known to be one of the most powerful regression methods developed to date,<sup>[17,18]</sup> typically providing low bias and low variance predictions without the need for variable selection.<sup>[19,20]</sup>

Additionally the RF method represents an example of “algorithmic modelling”<sup>[21]</sup> in that it makes no assumptions about the underlying data model. Parameters of  $mtry = \frac{n}{3}$  (where  $n$  is the number of input features) and  $ntrees = 200$  were assumed as they are known to be largely insensitive;<sup>[20,22]</sup> this was verified with the dataset used in this work (Fig. 2).

Variable importance within Random Forest regression models was measured using mean decrease in accuracy in the out-of-bag (OOB) sample. This represents the average difference (over the forest) between the accuracy of a tree with permuted and unpermuted versions of a given variable (Fig. 1), in units of mean squared error (MSE).<sup>[18,20]</sup>

### 1.3.2 Model performance

The effectiveness of the modelling approach was measured by four different metrics. Prediction accuracy was assessed by the Pearson correlation coefficient between the OOB predictions and observed eigenvectors, and the root mean-squared error (RMSE) of the same data. Classification error, when predictions were thresholded



**Figure 2: Random Forest parameters are largely insensitive.** Two user-facing Random Forest parameters are known to be insensitive over a broad range.<sup>[22]</sup> Optimisations for *ntrees* (the number of trees in the forests) and *mtry* (the number of features tested at each node) are shown for three different models, with typical values of 200 trees and  $\frac{1}{3}$  of input variables highlighted.

into  $A \geq 0; B < 0$ , was also calculated using accuracy (% correct classifications or True Positives) and area under the receiver operating characteristic (AUROC) curve. Together these give a comprehensive overview of the model performance, both in terms of regression accuracy of the continuous eigenvector, and in how that same model could be used to label discrete chromatin compartments.

For cross-application of cell type specific models, a single Random Forest regression model was learned from all 1 Mb bins for a given cell type. This was then used to predict all bins from each of the other two cell types.

To test the sensitivity of the models to resolution, we also applied cell-type specific models learnt at 1 Mb resolution to input features binned at 100 kb.

### 1.3.3 Other modelling approaches

Linear regression was used as a baseline for comparison with more complicated approaches such as Random Forest. If the same modelling accuracy could be achieved with simple multiple linear regression, this would be a faster and more interpretable modelling framework.

Partial least squares (PLS) regression was also used to model compartment profiles. PLS regression is well-suited to highly correlated inputs, employing a dimensionality reduction step to help address this redundancy, yet lacks the interpretability of a multiple linear regression. Similar to RF, PLS regression is aimed at building highly-predictive models rather than understanding singular relationships between

a predictor and independent variable.<sup>[23]</sup> The `plsdepot` R implementation of PLS regression was used in this work.

## 1.4 VARIABLE REGIONS

### 1.4.1 Stratification by variability

Median absolute deviation (MAD) was chosen as a robust measure of the variability in a given 1 Mb block between the three primary cell types used in this work: H1, K562 and GM12878. Blocks were ranked by this measure and split into thirds that represented “low” variability (the third of blocks with the lowest MAD), “mid” and “high” variability. Each subgroup was then independently modelled using the previously-described Random Forest approach.

“Flipped” regions are those whose compartment state differs in one cell type relative to the other two. For example, if a 1 Mb bin was classified as “open” in H1 hESC and “closed” in both K562 and GM12878, this is said to be a “flipped” compartment (to open).

### 1.4.2 Enhancer enrichment

Chromatin state annotations used in this work were retrieved from the ChromHMM<sup>[24]</sup> and SegWay<sup>[25]</sup> combined annotations.<sup>[26]</sup> These represent the consensus from two independent chromatin state prediction algorithms, and ignore regions of apparent disagreement; hence in theory making more robust and conservative predictions than either algorithm independently. Nevertheless, Hoffman *et al.* caution that in areas of disagreement, each algorithm may highlight differing biological phenomena so should also be considered separately.<sup>[26]</sup>

The set of state predictions from the combined algorithms are:

1. Predicted transcription start sites (TSS)
2. Promoter flanking regions
3. Transcribed regions
4. Repressed regions
5. Predicted enhancers
6. Predicted weak enhancer or *cis* regulatory element
7. CTCF-enriched elements

Short, discrete state predictions such as enhancers were considered “shared” if there was an overlapping enhancer annotation in either of the two other cell types, and labelled as “tissue-specific” otherwise. This was repeated for each of the called chromatin states.

#### 1.4.3 Gene ontology analysis

Variable regions (section 1.4.1) were tested for functional enrichments using Gene Ontology (GO) annotations.<sup>[27]</sup> The DAVID tool<sup>[28]</sup> was used to compare GO terms for genes located in variable compartments with a background set of genes within all annotated compartments.

## 1.5 BOUNDARIES

### 1.5.1 TADs

TAD boundaries were called using the software provided in Dixon *et al.*<sup>[4]</sup> using their recommended parameters. For the generation of boundary profiles, input features were averaged into 40 kb bins spanning  $\pm 450$  kb from the boundary bin.

To test for the enrichment or depletion of a chromatin feature over a given boundary, a two tailed Mann-Whitney test was used to compare the boundary bin with the ten outermost bins of the window (5 from either side). The significance level at  $\alpha = 0.01$  was then Bonferonni-adjusted for multiple testing correction, and results with  $p$ -values exceeding this threshold were deemed significantly enriched or depleted at a given boundary.

To compare boundaries between cells, each TAD boundary called in K562 and GM12878 were compared with those called in H1 hESC. For each boundary, the minimum absolute difference to the nearest matching boundary in H1 hESC was recorded, and this was then compared with a null model of an equal number of boundaries randomly-placed along available bins. A Kolmogorov-Smirnov test was then used to compare the empirical cumulative distributions of these distances.

### 1.5.2 Compartments

Eigenvectors were calculated as described in section 1.1.4. A/B compartmentalisation has previously been called simply from the properly-orientated principle component eigenvector, with positive values representing a bin in an A compartment state, and negative values representing a bin in a B, more repressive state.<sup>[5]</sup>

Compartment boundaries were called by first training a two-state hidden Markov model (HMM) on the compartment eigenvector and then using the Viterbi algorithm to predict the most likely state sequence that produced the observed values. The point at which transitions occurred between states was taken as a boundary which was then extended  $\pm 1.5$  Mb to give a 3 Mb window in which a boundary was thought to occur.

Boundary enrichments and alignments were tested in the same manner as TADs (Section 1.5.1).

## 1.6 METATAD ANALYSIS

### 1.6.1 Size selection

MetaTADs are a concept discovered by collaborators. Their method for calling such features involve the constrained hierarchical clustering of neighbouring TADs with the greatest inter-TAD contacts. This results in a tree of increasing metaTAD aggregation. For boundary analysis of metaTADs, again a similar approach was used to that of TADs (section 1.5.1) but thresholded to within a given range of sizes. MetaTADs below 10 Mb were excluded, as to have no lower bound results in  $\frac{2}{3}$  of all TAD boundaries likewise considered MetaTAD boundaries, reducing the power to analyse any differences. 10 Mb was chosen in an attempt to compromise minimising the overlap between TAD and metaTAD boundaries, while also retaining a large enough sample size. An upper bound of 40 Mb was also chosen, as beyond this threshold inter-TAD contacts were found to be no higher than expected by chance. In practice, the tree-like structure means any upper-bound has little impact as a filter: in almost all cases, any boundary in a metaTAD of size  $> 40$  Mb will also form metaTADs below this value. Additionally, the hierarchical nature of metaTADs means that some boundaries are present at multiple levels of the tree. Only one case of each boundary position was tested for feature enrichments, and this was performed as with TAD boundaries (Section 1.5.1).

### 1.6.2 Collaborator datasets

Our collaborators in the metaTAD project performed ChIP-seq experiments for PolIII (three variants), H3K27me3, CTCF and DNase-I hypersensitivity. Mapped reads from these experiments were processed using MACSv2<sup>[13]</sup> to give relative signal over background (from an estimated local model), which was then averaged over all boundaries genome wide.

Cap analysis of gene expression (CAGE) data was produced by the FANTOM consortium.<sup>[29,30]</sup> This method produces sequencing data from the 5' end of cDNAs,



and can be used to quantify expression activity at precise promoter locations.<sup>[31]</sup> Here, CAGE was performed at multiple points along a neural-differentiation timecourse and tags were clustered to form CAGE TSS (CTSS) in a manner developed for the FANTOM5 project.<sup>[29]</sup> To count these CTSS over boundary bins, we simply intersect the annotations and count CTSS per bin using `bedtools`.<sup>[32]</sup>

Gene density over metaTAD boundaries was calculated using UCSC `mm9` gene models.<sup>[33]</sup> Again simple intersections were taken to count genes over boundaries using `bedtools`<sup>[32]</sup> and requiring a minimal overlap fraction of 0.5% of a bin (250 bp).

### 1.6.3 LAD coincidence

To compare metaTAD boundaries with those of LADs, we made use of previously-published Lamin-B1 DamID microarray probe intensities. Peric-Hupkes *et al.*<sup>[34]</sup> For analysis over boundaries, these values were averaged into the same boundary windows as used previously (50 kb bins  $\pm 450$  kb around boundary, as in Section 1.5.1).

Transitions between high and low lamina association were detected by fitting a linear regression model across each series of consecutive boundary bins (i.e. Lamina association =  $\beta \cdot \text{bin} + c$ ). Linear models which had an absolute coefficient  $|\beta| > .05$  were taken as crossing a LAD transition. This threshold is a heuristic which appears to perform well at conservatively selecting clear transitions. As a method of seriation for the  $y$ -axis of heatmap figures (e.g. Fig. ??), boundaries were divided into those that coincided with a lamin transition and those that did not, and members within each group were then sorted by average intensity.

To test the significance of the association between boundaries and lamin transitions, we circularly permuted both TAD and metaTAD boundaries on each chromosome 1000 times, and calculated the proportion of boundaries that crossed LAD boundaries using the same linear regression procedure described above. Empirical  $p$ -values were then calculated as the number of permuted results greater than or equal to the observed value.

## 1.7 GIEMSA BAND COMPARISON

Cytogenic band data and Giemsa stain results were downloaded from the UCSC genome browser (table `cytoBandIdeo`). The genomic co-ordinates are an approximation of cytogenic band data inferred from a large number of FISH experiments.<sup>[35]</sup>

To compare G-band boundaries with our compartment data, we allowed for a  $\pm 500$  kb inaccuracy in G-band boundary. For each G-band boundary, the minimum absolute distance to any compartment or TAD boundary was calculated for each cell type. To generate a null model, ...

## 1.8 NUCLEAR POSITIONING

Previously published data on chromosome positioning preference within the nucleus was used to label each chromosome as “inner”, “middle” or “outer”.<sup>[36]</sup> Chromosomes whose DAPI hybridisation signals were significantly enriched ( $p \leq 2 \times 10^{-2}$ ) in the inner nuclear shell, as defined by Boyle *et al.*<sup>[36]</sup>, made up the “inner” group and included chromosomes 1 and 16. Similarly the “outer” group had enriched signals ( $p \leq 5 \times 10^{-3}$ ) in the outer shell relative to the inner nuclear shell and included chromosomes 2, 3, 11-13 and 18. The remaining chromosomes in our filtered dataset, 6, 14 and 15, were assigned to the “middle” group and showed no significant to either inner or outer nuclear shells ( $p \geq 0.1$ ).<sup>[36]</sup> The significance of the difference in distribution of eigenvectors in the inner versus outer shell was determined by a one-sided Kolmogorov-Smirnov (K-S) test, with the alternative hypothesis that the empirical cumulative density function of the inner chromosome eigenvectors  $F_{inner}$  is greater-than or equal-to  $F_{outer}$ . This chromosomal positioning data was measured in lymphoblastoid cells though nuclear architecture is thought to be largely conserved between cell types<sup>[37,38]</sup> and even higher primates.<sup>[39]</sup>

## 1.9 4C ANALYSIS

The experimental protocol used by our collaborators to generate 3C-seq data (also known as 4C) recommends the r3Cseq R package,<sup>[40,41]</sup> part of the bioconductor repository<sup>[42,43]</sup> for the R programming environment.<sup>[44]</sup>

This package functions both to produce normalised interaction frequencies which are comparable between experiments, and to assign statistical significance to any identified contacts, thereby reporting regions that co-localise to a greater degree than expected by their genomic proximity alone.

### 1.9.1 Normalisation

The normalisation procedure is adapted from a previous method for normalising deepCAGE data between samples.<sup>[45]</sup> In short, the reverse-cumulative distribution of read counts per restriction fragment is fit to a power-law model; this effectively encodes the *a priori* expectation of exponential decay of the number of contacts as distance increases from the viewpoint. Transformed read counts per million (RPM) can then be retrieved from a standardised reverse cumulative distribution, parametrised with the empirical coefficient,  $\alpha = -1.35$ .<sup>[41]</sup>

This normalisation procedure has the effect of making the output RPM value independent of the original experiment’s sequencing depth and, more importantly,

acts to reduce the impact of artefacts and errors by enforcing the expected power-law relationship of restriction fragment read counts.

### 1.9.2 Significance estimation

The `r3Cseq` package<sup>[41]</sup> also attempts to assign a measure of significance to observed contact frequencies. This is done through a simple method of background estimation based on observed values. The justification for this non-independent estimate of background signal is that a relatively small proportion of observed contacts are expected to be significantly enriched, thus won't unduly perturb an average signal.<sup>[41]</sup> An improved method that avoids this assumption has since been developed where a background model was iteratively fitted, with outlier removal at each revision.<sup>[46]</sup>

Here a non-parametric cubic smooth spline is fit to normalised read count data using a heuristic smoothing parameter. This model then provides an expected level of interaction at a given distance from the viewpoint in *cis*. From this, it is simple to calculate a Z-score as:

$$Z = \frac{(O - E)}{\sigma} \quad (1)$$

Where  $\sigma$  is the standard deviation of residuals from the observed ( $O$ ), expected ( $E$ ) difference. This Z-score can then be converted to a  $p$ -value which in turn is corrected for multiple testing using bootstrapped estimates of false-discovery rate (FDR)  $q$ -values<sup>[47]</sup> (as implemented in the `qvalue` R package<sup>[48]</sup>). This Z-test approach assumes a normally-distributed test statistic, an assumption that typically does not hold on 4C data where interactions distal to the viewpoint are increasingly sparse, however this approach and variants thereof have been applied in a variety of 4C and 5C analyses (e.g.<sup>[49-54]</sup>).

While we are mostly concerned with these *cis* interactions, `r3Cseq` also offers significance testing for *trans* interactions between the viewpoint and restriction fragments on different chromosomes. Here instead of distance scaling, the expected ( $E$ ) terms in eqn. 1 are genome-wide averages excluding regions  $\pm 100$  kb around the viewpoint.<sup>[41]</sup> This means the absolute values of normalised RPMs reported for *trans* interactions are in practice upscaled, being equivalent to experimental RPMs less the most deeply-sequenced regions, i.e. the viewpoint and immediately adjacent regions.

## 1.9.3 3-D modelling

## 1.10 5C ANALYSIS

## 1.11 SCRIPTS AND OTHER ANALYSES

Much of this work has been performed by writing custom scripts in the R programming language.<sup>[44]</sup> Code for the majority of analyses described in this thesis are available through a public git repository hosted on `github` at [github.com/blmoore/3dgenome](https://github.com/blmoore/3dgenome) (instructions on how to reproduce analyses and figures are included therein). A special mention goes to the packages of Hadley Wickham which are used throughout, especially `ggplot2`<sup>[55]</sup> and `dplyr`<sup>[56]</sup>.

The programming language `python`<sup>[57]</sup> was also employed to a lesser-extent, as were command-line tools such as `bedtools`<sup>[32]</sup> and `SAMtools`<sup>[58]</sup>. Additionally command-line `BigWig*` tools<sup>[59]</sup> were used, as well as the UCSC genome browser associated data tracks.<sup>[60–62]</sup>

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