

Genome arithmetic with bedtools.

Applied Computational Genomics, Lecture 17

<https://github.com/quinlan-lab/applied-computational-genomics>

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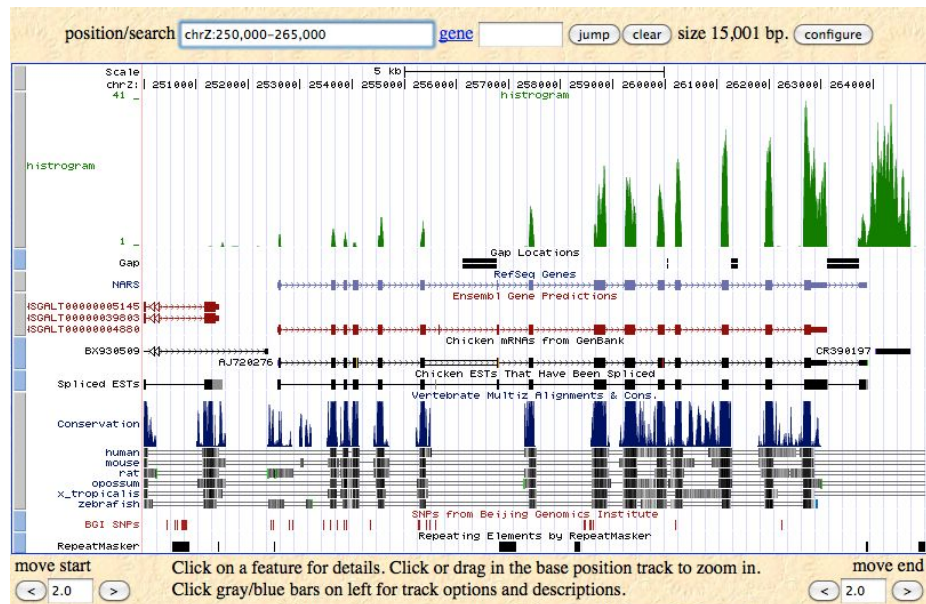
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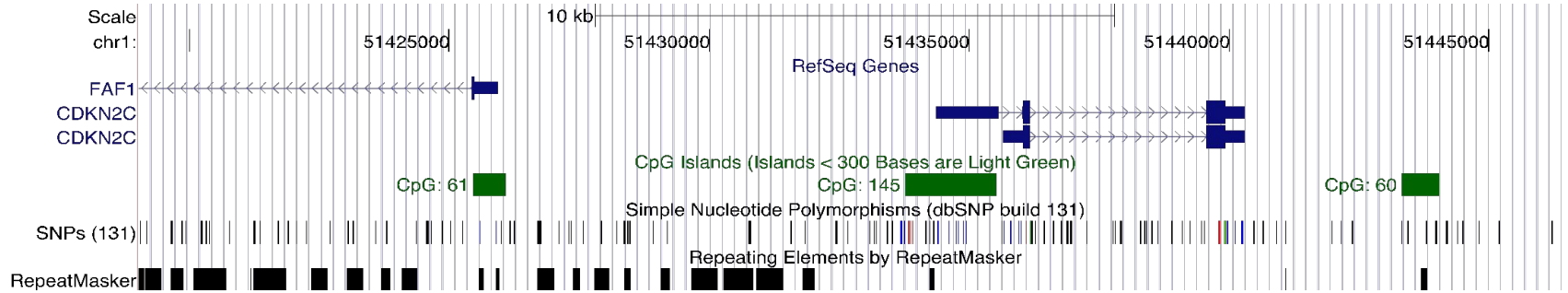
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What is a genome interval?

- Genes: exons, introns, UTRs, promoters (BED, GFF, GTF)
- Conservation (BEDGRAPH)
- Genetic variation (VCF)
- Sequence alignments (BAM)
- Transcription factor binding sites (BED, BEDGRAPH)
- CpG islands (BED)
- Segmental duplications (BED)
- Chromatin annotations (BED)
- Gene expression data (WIG, BIGWIG, BEDGRAPH)
- Your own observations: put them in context

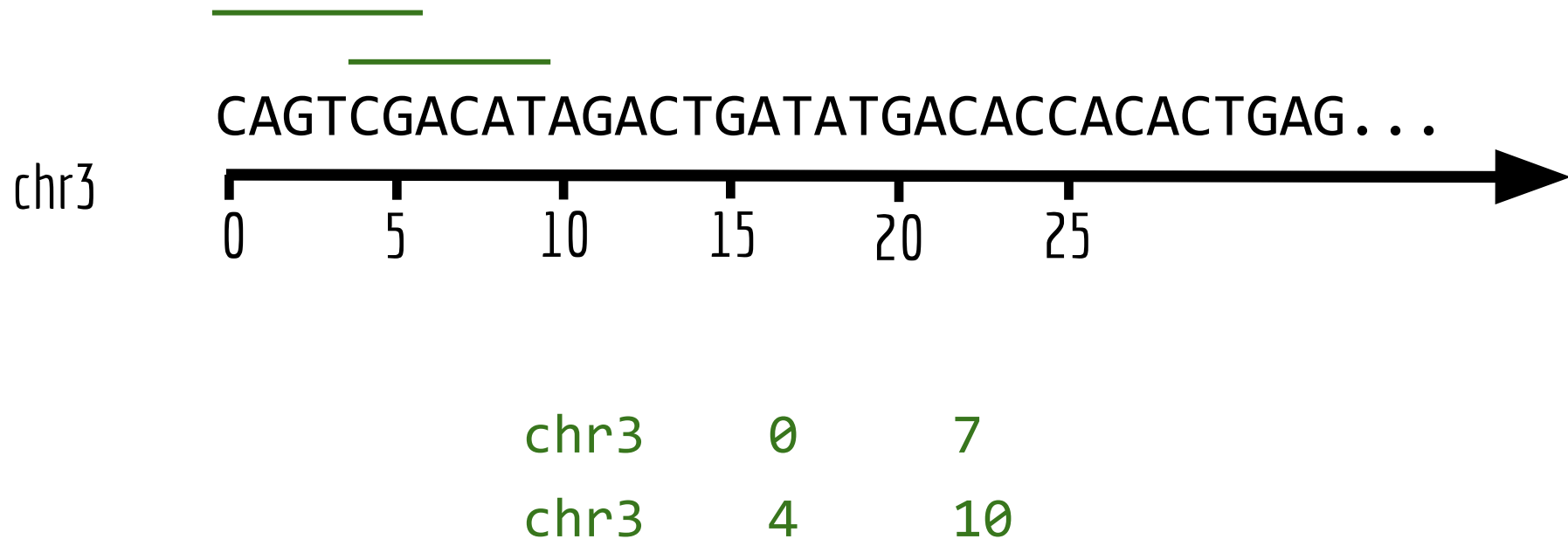


Genome intervals

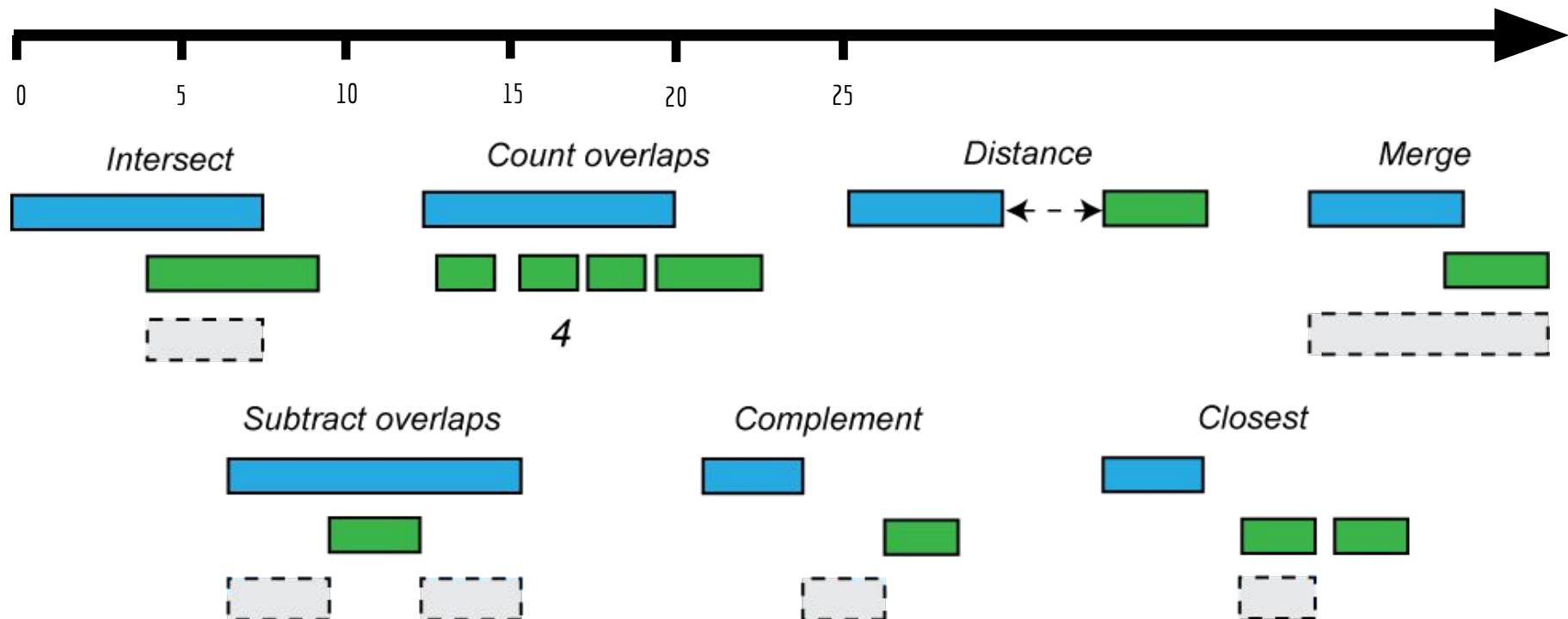


Genome arithmetic: the method of comparing, contrast and gain insight among multiple genome interval files

Genome arithmetic depends upon the genome coordinate system



Genome arithmetic operations



Do two intervals intersect (overlap)?



```
if ((a.start <= b.start and a.end >= b.start) or
    (b.start <= a.start and b.end >= a.start) or
    (a.start <= b.start and a.end >= b.end) or
    (b.start <= a.start and b.end >= a.end))
{
    INTERSECTION!!!
}
else NADA!!!
```

Do two intervals intersect (overlap)? A simpler way.



$$I = \min(a.\text{end}, b.\text{end}) - \max(a.\text{start}, b.\text{start})$$

if $I > 0$, intersection,
if $I \leq 0$, distance between the intervals

$$\begin{aligned} &= \min(20, 27) - \max(10, 17) \\ &= 20 - 17 = 3 \end{aligned}$$

Bedtools: a swiss army knife for genome analysis



BEDTools: a flexible suite of utilities for comparing genomic features

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Abstract

Motivation: Testing for correlations between different sets of genomic features is a fundamental task in genomics research. However, searching for overlaps between features with existing web-based methods is complicated by the massive datasets that are routinely produced with current sequencing technologies. Fast and flexible tools are therefore required to ask complex questions of these data in an efficient manner.

Results: This article introduces a new software suite for the comparison, manipulation and annotation of genomic features in Browser Extensible Data (BED) and General Feature Format (GFF) format. BEDTools also supports the comparison of sequence alignments in BAM format to both BED and GFF features. The tools are extremely efficient and allow the user to compare large datasets (e.g. next-generation sequencing data) with both public and custom genome annotation tracks. BEDTools can be combined with one another as well as with standard UNIX commands, thus facilitating routine genomics tasks as well as pipelines that can quickly answer intricate questions of large genomic datasets.

Papers:

<https://doi.org/10.1093/bioinformatics/btq033>
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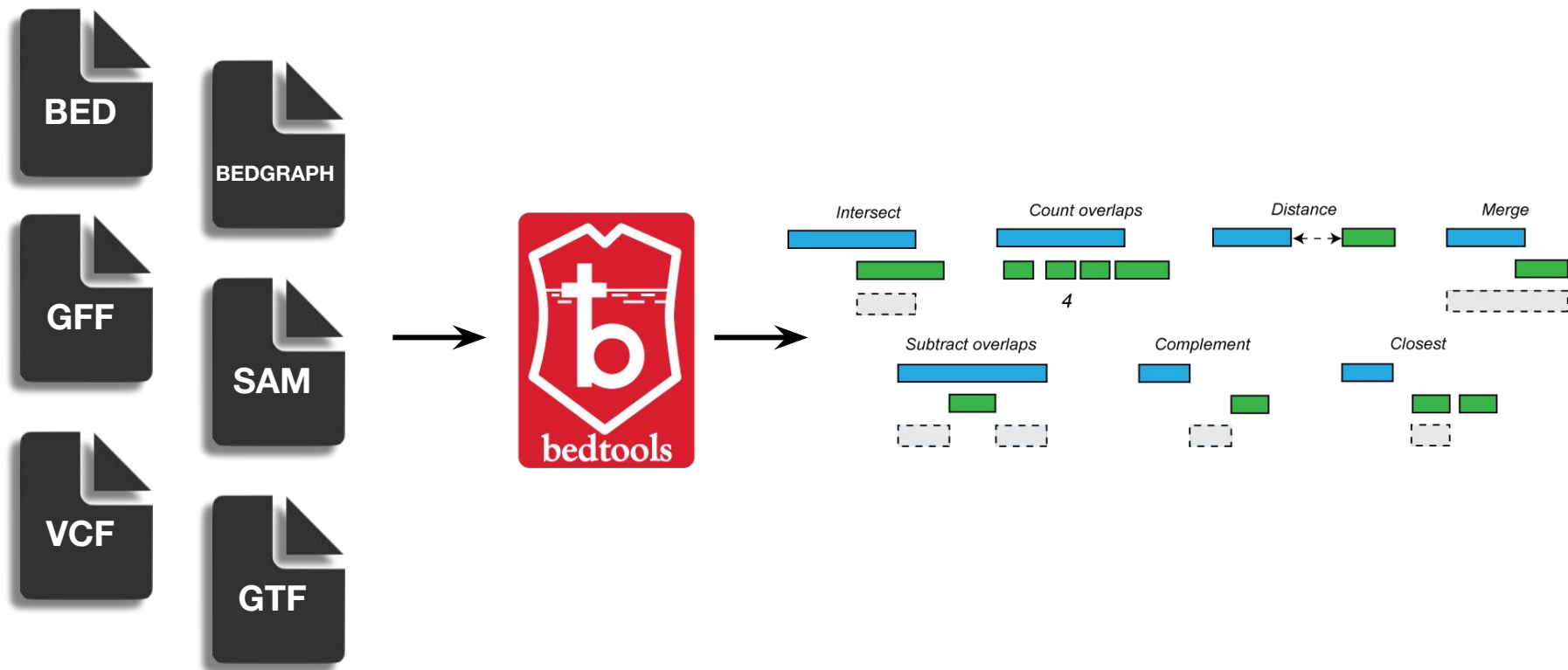
Documentation:

<http://bedtools.readthedocs.io/en/latest/>

Code:

<https://github.com/arq5x/bedtools2>

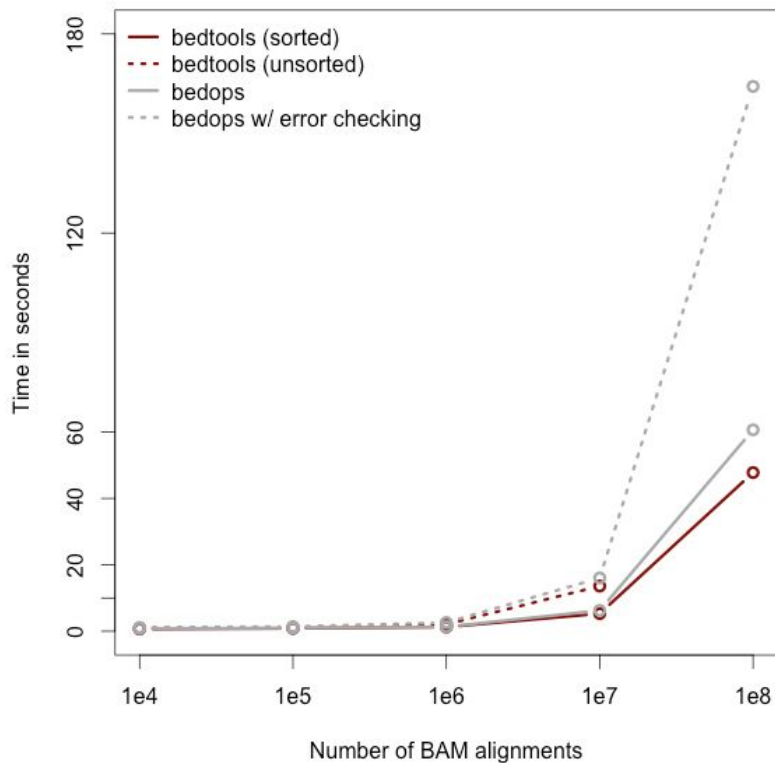
Supports most interval formats & handles diff. coordinate systems



Bedtools: example analyses

- Closest gene to a ChIP-seq peak.
- Is my latest discovery novel?
- Is there strand bias in my data?
- How many genes does this mutation affect?
- Where did I fail to collect sequence coverage?
- Is my favorite feature significantly correlated with some other feature?
- What is the density of variants in "windows" along the genome?

Bedtools is fairly fast.



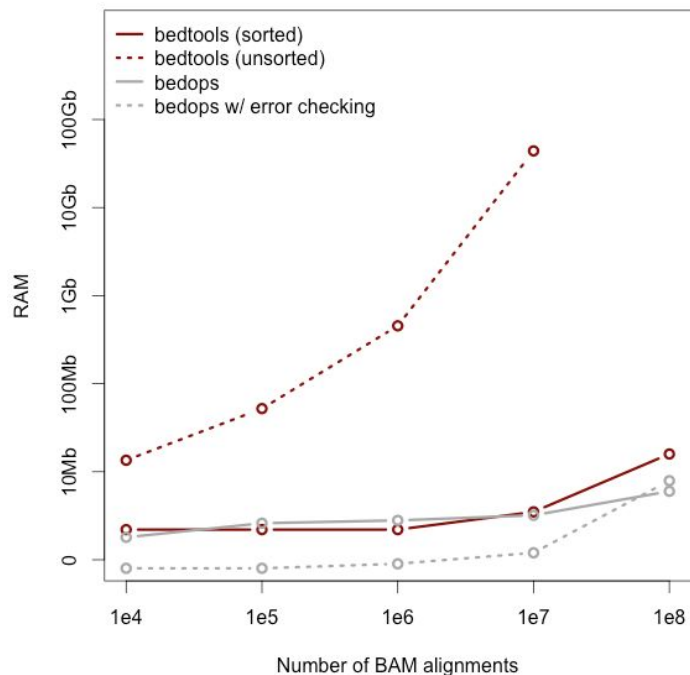
```
# bedtools sorted
$ bedtools intersect \
    -a ccds.exons.bed -b aln.bam.bed \
    -c \
    -sorted

# bedtools unsorted
$ bedtools intersect \
    -a ccds.exons.bed -b aln.bam.bed \
    -c

# bedmap (without error checking)
$ bedmap --echo --count --bp-ovr 1 \
    ccds.exons.bed aln.bam.bed

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```

And doesn't use (too) much memory when files are "genome sorted".



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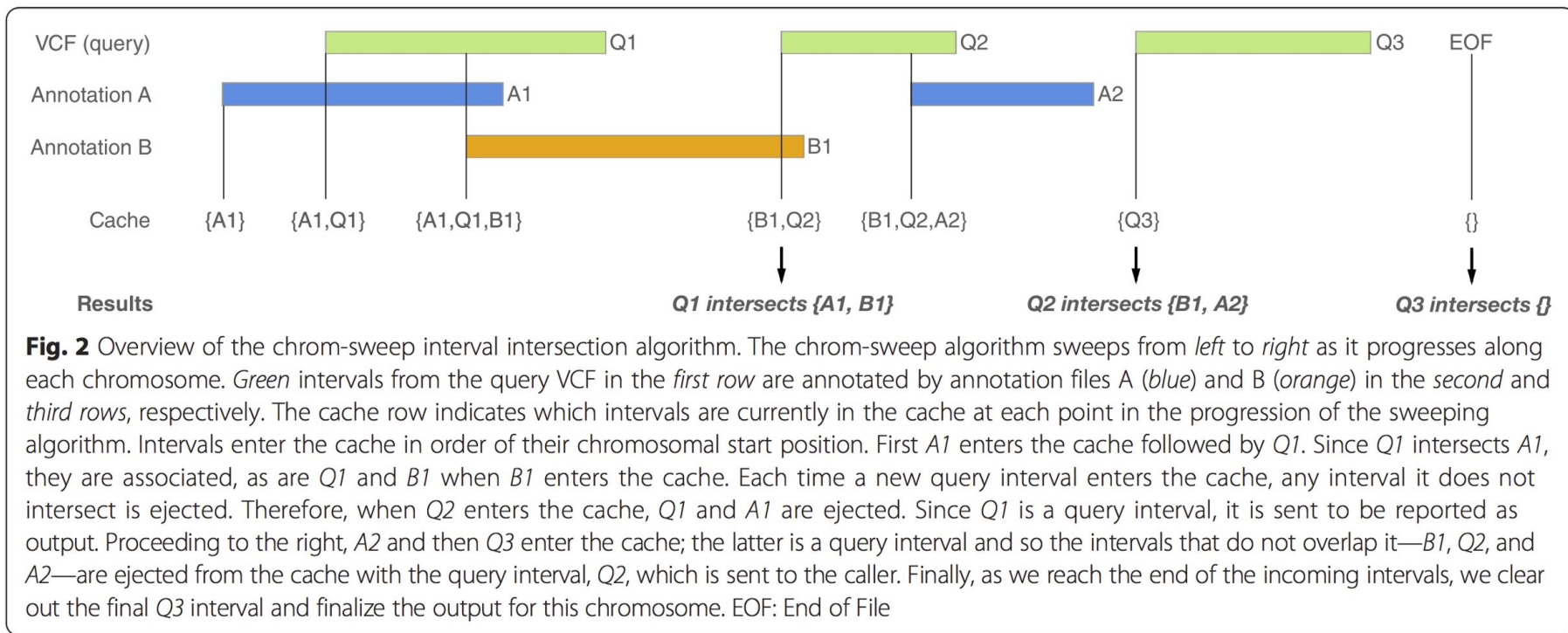
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```

Sort chromosomes lexicographically.

Then sort numerically by start coordinate

`sort -k1,1 -k2,2n myfile.bed > myfile.sorted.bed`

The "chromsweep" algorithm



Let's work through the bedtools tutorial.

bedtools Tutorial

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What are these files?

The bedtools help

bedtools "intersect"

Default behavior

Reporting the original feature in each file.

How many base pairs of overlap were there?

Counting the number of overlapping features.

Find features that DO NOT overlap

Require a minimal fraction of overlap.

Faster analysis via sorted data.

Intersecting multiple files at once.

bedtools "merge"

Input must be sorted

Merge intervals.

Count the number of overlapping intervals.

Merging features that are close to one another.

Listing the name of each of the exons that were merged.

bedtools "complement"

bedtools "genomcov"

Producing BEDGRAPH output

Sophistication through chaining multiple bedtools

Principal component analysis

A Jaccard statistic for all 400 pairwise comparisons.

Puzzles to help teach you more bedtools.

Synopsis

Our goal is to work through examples that demonstrate how to explore, process and manipulate genomic interval files (e.g., BED, VCF, BAM) with the [bedtools](#) software package.

Some of our analysis will be based upon the Maurano et al exploration of DnaseI hypersensitivity sites in hundreds of primary tissue types.

Maurano et al. Systematic Localization of Common Disease-Associated Variation in Regulatory DNA. Science. 2012. Vol. 331

www.sciencemag.org/content/337/6099/1190.short

This tutorial is merely meant as an introduction to whet your appetite. There are many, many more tools and options than presented here. We therefore encourage you to read the bedtools [documentation](#).

NOTE: We recommend making your browser window as large as possible because some of the examples yield "wide" results and more screen real estate will help make the results clearer.-

Setup

From the Terminal, create a new directory on your Desktop called `bedtools-demo` (it doesn't really matter where you create this directory).

```
mkdir -p ~/workspace/monday/bedtools
```

Navigate into that directory.

```
cd ~/workspace/monday/bedtools
```

Download the sample BED files I have provided.

```
curl -O https://s3.amazonaws.com/bedtools-tutorials/web/maurano.dnaseI.tgz
curl -O https://s3.amazonaws.com/bedtools-tutorials/web/cpg.bed
curl -O https://s3.amazonaws.com/bedtools-tutorials/web/exons.bed
curl -O https://s3.amazonaws.com/bedtools-tutorials/web/gwas.bed
curl -O https://s3.amazonaws.com/bedtools-tutorials/web/genome.txt
curl -O https://s3.amazonaws.com/bedtools-tutorials/web/hesc.chromHm.bed
```

Now, we need to extract all of the 20 Dnase I hypersensitivity BED files from the "tarball" named `maurano.dnaseI.tgz`.

```
tar -zxvf maurano.dnaseI.tgz
rm maurano.dnaseI.tgz
```

Let's take a look at what files we now have.

```
ls -l
```

Connect to malibu.

```
mkdir bedtools-tutorial
cd bedtools-tutorial
```

<http://quinlanlab.org/tutorials/bedtools/bedtools.html>

Homework #6.

1. Finish the bedtools tutorial on your own **before class on Thursday.**
2. Answer the 10 puzzles at the bottom of:
<http://quinlanlab.org/tutorials/bedtools/bedtools.html>

Due March 21

Submit your answers as a txt file named LASTNAME.uNID.HW6.TXT to the following Google Drive location (just drag and drop to this location):

<https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/0B5Jmsvw39gJkbGdfeHZqTzlxGc?usp=sharing>