## Introduction to Biomedical Informatics

#### Who is this class for?

- People interested in biomedical informatics or interdisciplinary research
- People interested in gaining research skills
- People interested in user interface design, human computer interaction, ubiquitous computing
- There will be a lot of reading
- There will be a lot of group collaboration
  - There will be some programming within groups

## What are we going to do in this class?

**Topics in Biomedical Informatics** 

Intense

Synthesis Paper

Techniques to use when conducting biomedical informatics research

More time for project

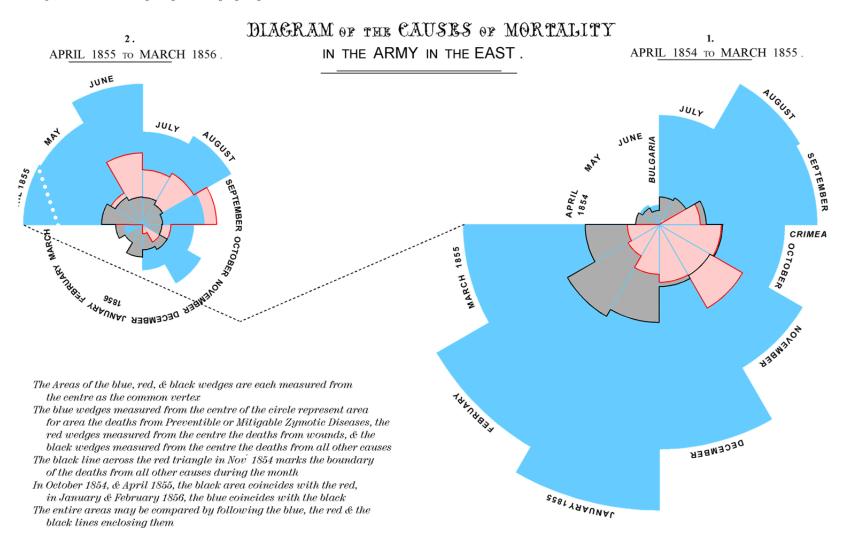
Final Project

#### Class Goals

- 1. To develop the skills and practices necessary to collaborate with medical researchers and create assistive and performance support applications.
- 2. To develop practical research oriented skills for interdisciplinary (or transdisciplinary) research.
- 3. To provide an overview of ongoing and emerging research topics in biomedical informatics.

#### A definition

"The field that is concerned with the optimal use of information, often aided by the use of technology and people (researchers, practitioners, users, etc.), to improve individual health, health care, public health, and biomedical research" - Hersh, 2010



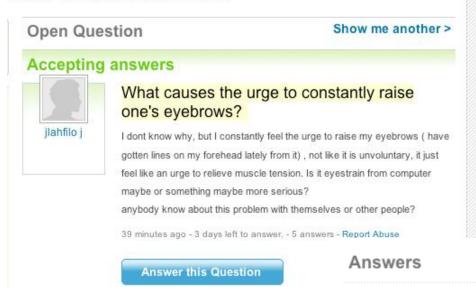
## Standard idea of biomedical informatics



#### ...or...

### Good or Bad?

General - Diseases & Conditions > Question





tension in shoulders. You might want to try a massage - it cant hurt - and it'll

Show:

feel good even if it doesnt help.

You might need glasses, you might have stress in the back of your neck or

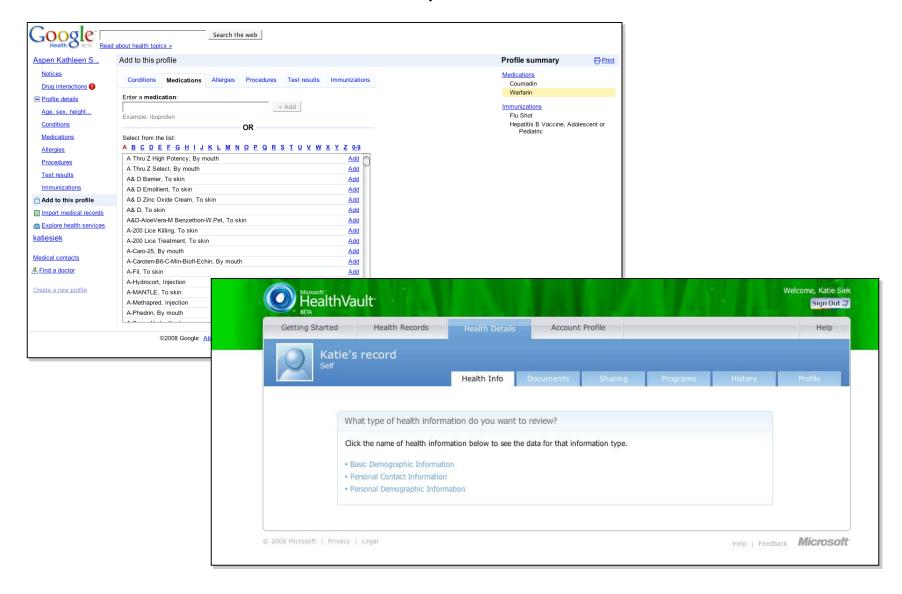
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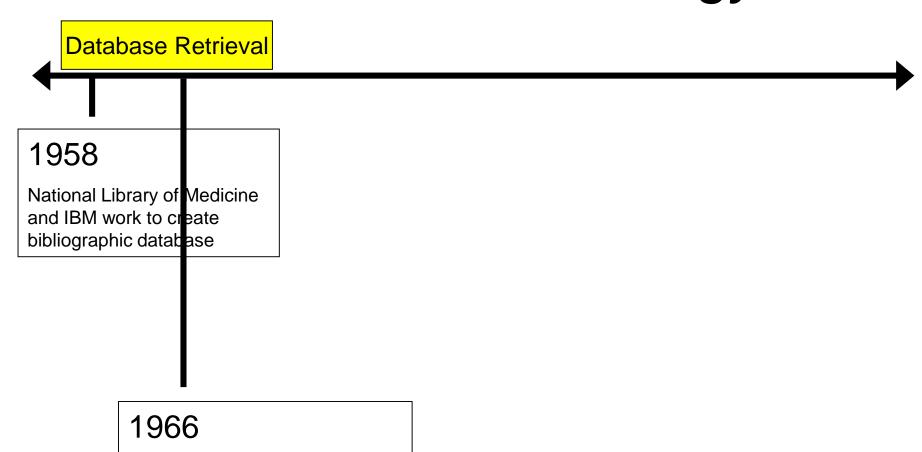
(Stress in those areas could cause the big muscle that cover the top of your head to contract - its the cause of tension headaches when its acute perhaps chronically at a lower level it could cause this....!'ll admit I'm making a guess here.)

Then, there is a possiblity that for you its a physical habit - in the same way that some people adapt "slouching" as a physical habit.

Good Luck

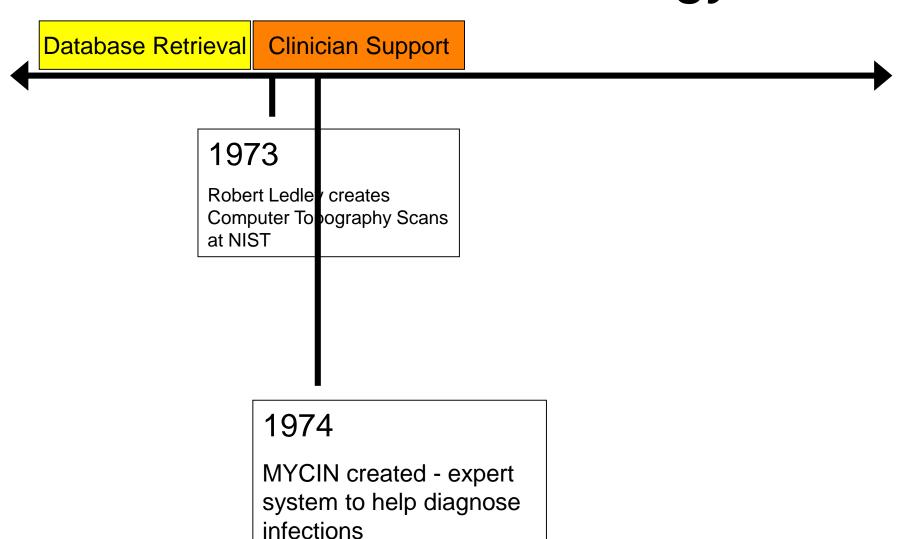
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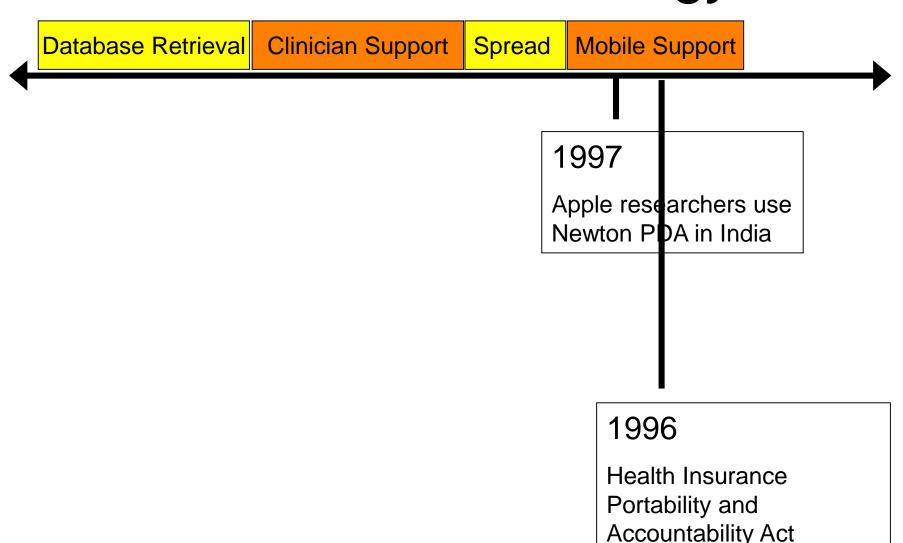


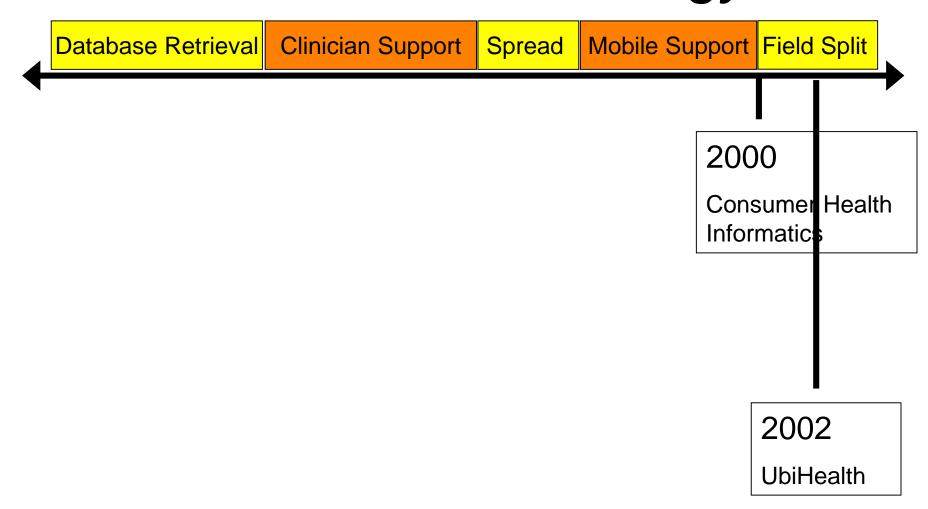


Massachusetts General Hospital Utility Multi-

Programming System







#### Another Way of Thinking About BMI (for visual learners)

- Biomedical Informatics<sub>Mathematical</sub> & Computational Sciences
- ✓ Mathematics
- ✓ Computer Science
- ✓ Information Science
- ✓ Information Technology

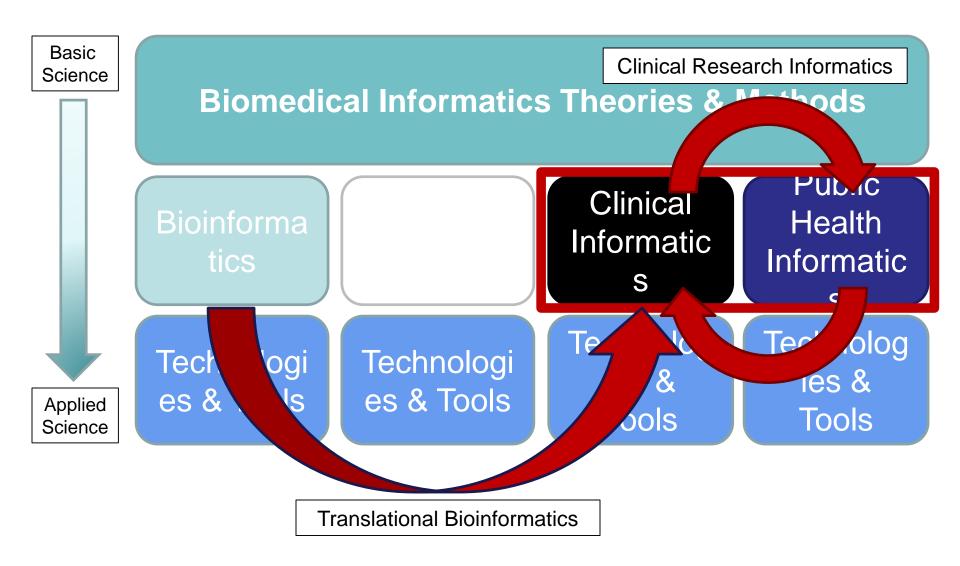
Social Sciences

Health & Life Sciences

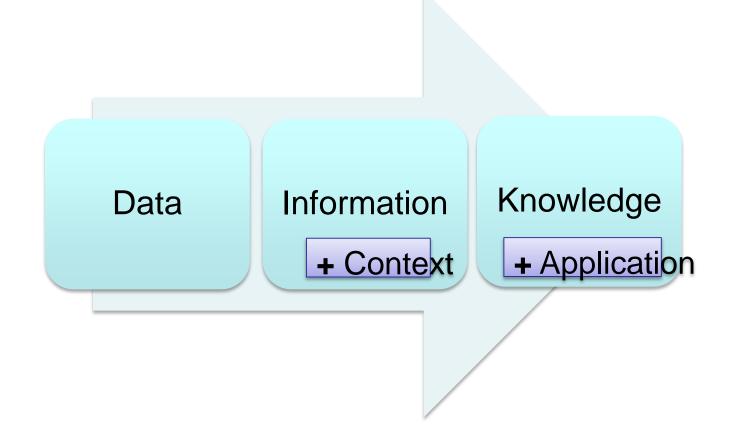
- ✓ Cognitive Science
- ✓ Management
- ✓ Sociology
- √ Human Factors

- ✓ Biology
- ✓ Medicine
- ✓ Bio-engineering

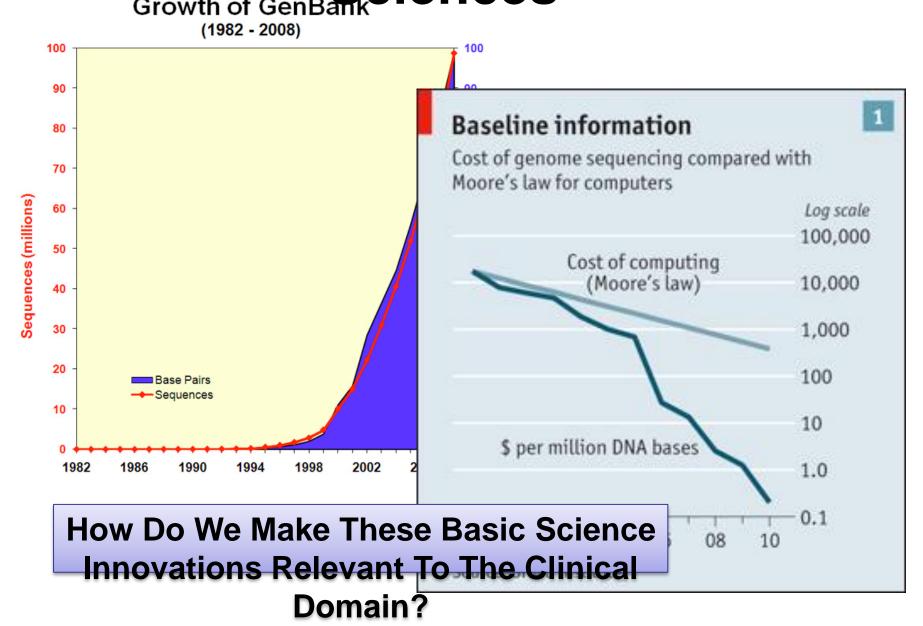
#### **Combining Basic and Applied Science Across Domains**



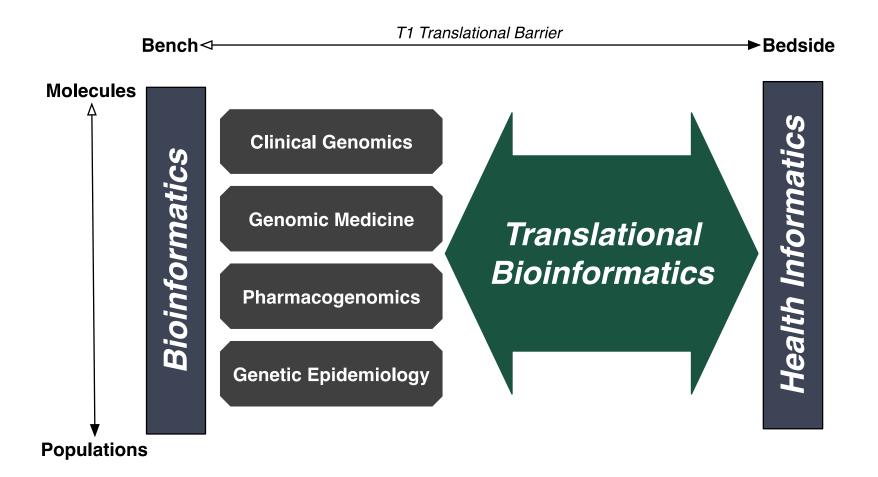
### The Central Dogma of BMI



## Data Tsunami Facing the Life Growth of GenBank Ciences



### A BMI Solution to the Data Tsunami: Linking Molecules and Populations



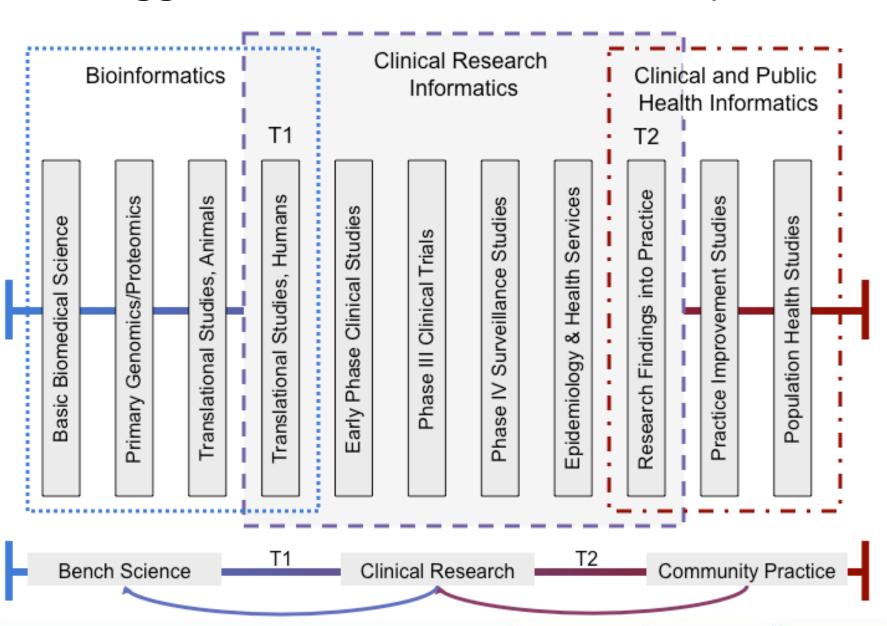
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### A Formal Definition for Translational Bioinformatics (TBI)

The development of storage, analytic, and interpretive methods to optimize the transformation of increasingly voluminous biomedical data into proactive, predictive, preventative, and participatory health. (Source: JAMIA)

#### Individual and/or Population Phenotype **Biological Models Domain Knowledge** and Technologies **Translational** Science **Biomedical** JAMA Knowledge Knowledge & Information Translation Knowledge & Integration & Representation & Source(s) Information Analysis Dissemination Acquisition Individual and/or Population **Bio-markers**

#### The Bigger Context: The Translational Spectrum



The Basics: Realizing a Leaning Healthcare System is Hard!







HIT + Biomedical Informatics



Management, Integration, Delivery

Research



**Knowledge Generation**