Table 1: Runtime, Pearson's correlation coefficient between distance matrices and Fowlkes-Mallows index for k=4 and k=8. The 'reference' method calculates distances from the original sequences. We show only two assembly algorithms that gave the highest correlation and the better algorithm of pairs MESSG/MESSGM.

Dataset	method	finished	assem.	distances	$\frac{\text{UPGMA}}{\text{ms}}$	$\frac{NJ}{ms}$	corr.	$\frac{\text{UPGMA}}{B_4}$	$\frac{\text{UPGMA}}{B_8}$	$\frac{\text{NJ}}{B_4}$	$\frac{\text{NJ}}{B_8}$
Influenza	reference	112/112	0	4,893.33	4.13	11.29	1	1	1	1	1
	$\max( R_A ,  R_B )$	112/112	0	186.87	0.58	0.96	.801	.67	.32	.66	.32
	$\mathrm{Dist}_{MES}$	106/112	0	857,243.98	0.22	0.84	.824	.33	.69	.52	.82
	$\mathrm{Dist}_{MESS}$	106/112	0	854,821.17	0.63	0.41	.942	1	.85	1	.83
	$\mathrm{Dist}_{MESSG}$	96/112	0	859,725.65	0.23	0.33	.98	.99	1	1	.99
	$Dist_{MESSGM}$	96/112	0	862,413.18	0.25	0.32	.978	.99	1	1	.98
	$\mathrm{Dist}_{MESSGq}$	112/112	0	$87,\!278.04$	0.22	0.42	.976	1	.99	1	.99
	ABySS	79/112	20,839.76	9,623.81	0.22	0.25	.637	.41	.49	.54	.48
	Edena	55/112	367	10,757.31	0.24	0.44	.641	.43	.52	.54	.53
	SSAKE	51/112	2,983.75	$12,\!352.33$	0.25	0.25	.72	.46	.59	.55	.66
	Velvet	107/112	463.48	14,329.37	0.25	0.34	.705	.38	.64	.55	.78
	SPAdes	31/112	12,438.81	13,684	0.16	0.23	.722	.56	.68	.66	.72
Various	reference	112/112	0	71,019.2	4.81	11.1	1	1	1	1	1
	$\max( R_A ,  R_B )$	112/112	0	441.49	0.62	1.16	.901	.67	.66	.85	.92
	Dist <sub>MES</sub>	72/112	0	1,214,293.61	0.32	0.53	.589	.39	.41	.47	.32
	Dist <sub>MESS</sub>	72/112	0	1,212,284.96	0.33	0.53	.928	.63	.79	.87	.98
	DistMESSG	64/112	0	1,480,700.73	0.34	0.5	.934	.63	.88	.91	.96
	Dist <sub>MESSGM</sub>	64/112	0	1,482,902.92	0.3	0.56	.934	.65	.89	.87	.94
	Dist <sub>MESSGq</sub>	110/112	_	660,983.1	0.4	0.54	.929 $.394$	.66 .43	.76 .17	.84 .43	.98 .24
	$egin{array}{c}  ext{ABySS} \  ext{Edena} \end{array}$	69/112	27,778.49 $1,112.84$	115,247.36	$0.28 \\ 0.39$	$0.54 \\ 0.61$	.394	.45 .47	.21	.48	.24
	SSAKE	$\frac{57}{112}$ $\frac{57}{112}$	8,471.35	$156,249.28 \\ 160,368.25$	0.39 $0.35$	$0.61 \\ 0.63$	.503	.47	.21	.48	.32
	Velvet	$\frac{37/112}{109/112}$	1,726.28	165,184.43	0.36	0.63	.303	.46	.19	.48	.32
	SPAdes	$\frac{109}{112}$	15,978.65	167,090.27	0.30 $0.27$	0.54	.549	.52	.36	.55	.35
Hepatitis	reference	9/9	0	2,300,822.78	33.22	51.89	1	1	1	1	1
	$\max( R_A , R_B )$	9/9	0	8,301.22	7.78	18.44	.181	.55	.37	.72	.83
	Dist <sub>MES</sub>	$9^{'}\!/9$	0	12,699,975.67	37.89	82.44	.833	1	.95	1	.92
	Distmess	9/9	0	12,566,601.33	399.44	274.44	.788	.9	.95	1	.94
	$\mathrm{Dist}_{MESSG}$	9/9	0	26,958,877.56	376.22	606.67	.964	1	.95	1	.92
	$\mathrm{Dist}_{MESSGM}$	9/9	0	26,943,068	134.56	207.22	.957	1	.95	.98	.97
	$\mathrm{Dist}_{MESSGq}$	9/9	0	616,507.11	3.78	7.89	.901	.94	.96	1	.94
	ABySS	9/9	151,744	2,022,804.67	53.22	72.44	.428	.73	.74	.93	.59
	Edena	9/9	$10,\!546.78$	2,052,872.89	1.44	4.44	.507	.82	.79	.95	.79
	SSAKE	9/9	91,991.33	$2,\!327,\!985.22$	1.44	5	.554	.8	.71	.94	.78
	Velvet	9/9	$22,\!599.89$	3,016,592	1.67	4.11	.783	.8	.84	.96	.86
	SPAdes	9/9	97,626.44	1,882,311.56	304.89	119.11	.578	.82	.83	.95	.83
Chromosomes	reference	1/1	0	886,125	7	20	1	1	1	1	1
	$\max( R_A , R_B )$	1/1	0	868	1	2	.331	.64	.4	.61	.3
	$\mathrm{Dist}_{MES}$	1/1	0	14,006,230	0	1	.886	.42	.26	.6	.28
	$\mathrm{Dist}_{MESS}$	1/1	0	$14,\!107,\!590$	1	0	.359	.6	.44	.61	.3
	$\mathrm{Dist}_{MESSG}$	1/1	0	29,676,206	0	1	.364	.54	.47	.64	.35
	Distmessgm	1/1	0	29,739,506	1	2	.313	.54	.56	.64	.31
	$\mathrm{Dist}_{MESSGq}$	1/1	0	219,485	0	2	.366	.53	.47	.64	.35
	ABySS	1/1	45,123	387,886	0	1	.267	.52	.17	.56	.27
	Edena	0/1	NaN	NaN	NaN	NaN	NaN	NaN	NaN	NaN	NaN
	SSAKE	1/1	57,584	70,383	1	1	.718	.47	.19	.81	.15
	Velvet	1/1	6,387	221,633	0	1	.568	.48	.25	.8	.36
	SPAdes	1/1	27,009	125,688	1	2	.444	.41	.18	.58	.23

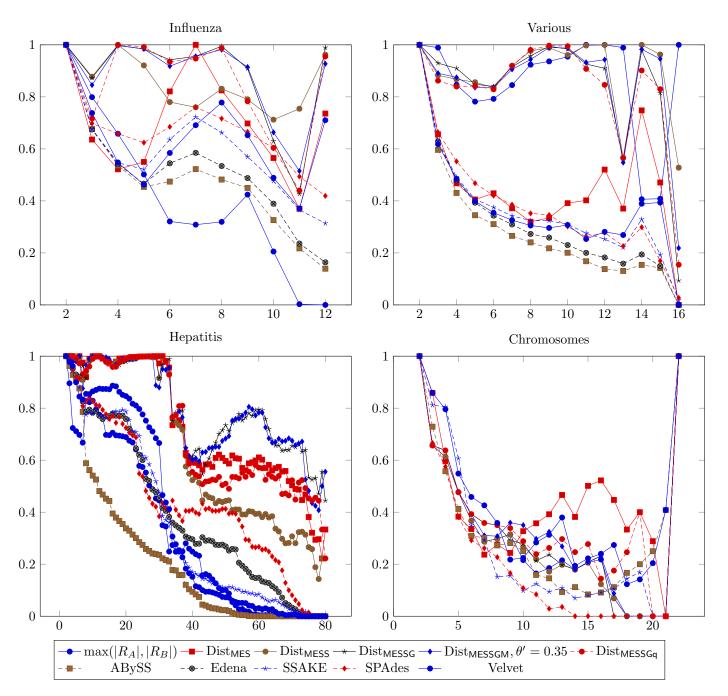


Figure 1: Plots of Fowlkes-Mallows index  $B_k$  versus k. The index compares trees generated by the neighbor-joining algorithm. The tree is compared with the tree generated from the original sequences. If all values are equal to 1, the structures of the trees are the same.

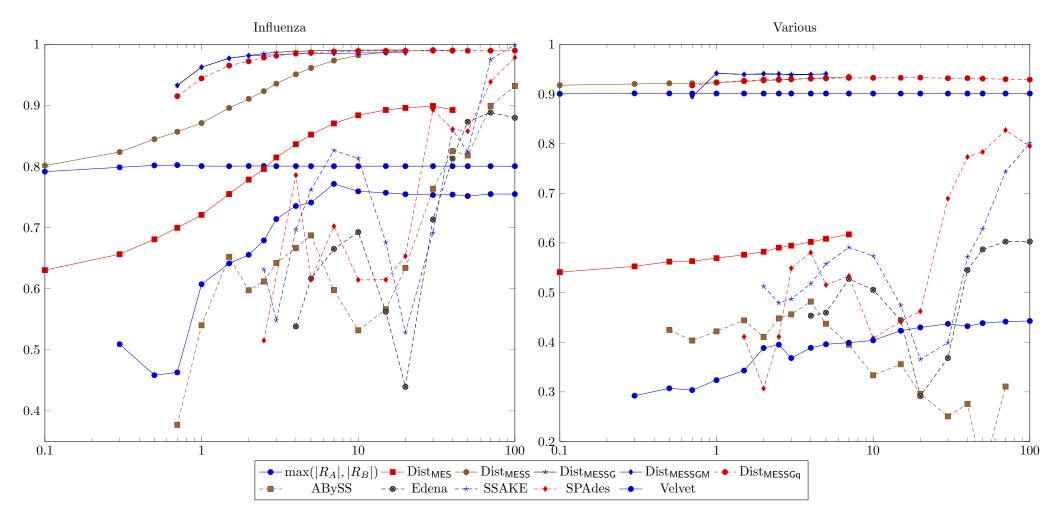


Figure 2: Plot of average Pearson's correlation coefficient for several choices of coverage values.

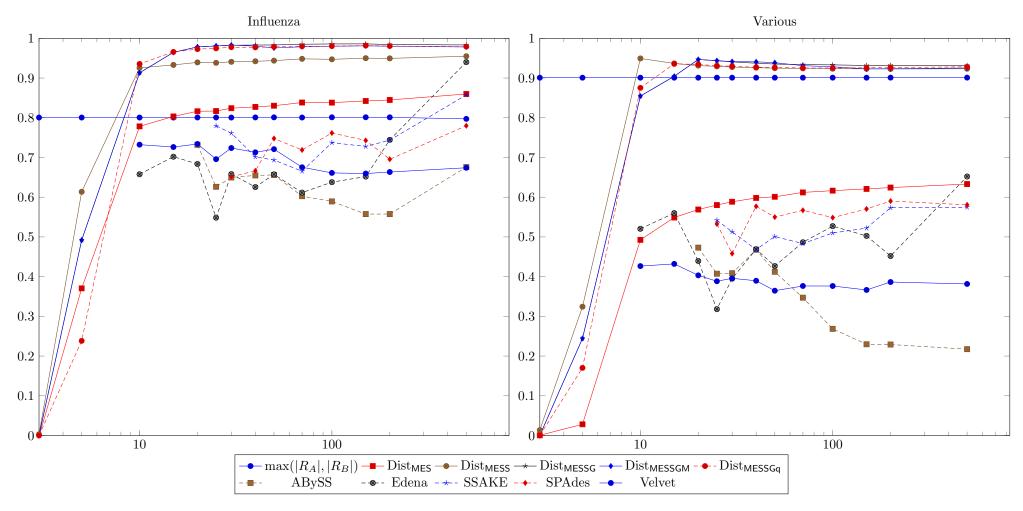


Figure 3: Plot of average Pearson's correlation coefficient for several choices of read length.