

# Linked- and Long-Read Sequencing

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(Most slides by Michael Schatz)

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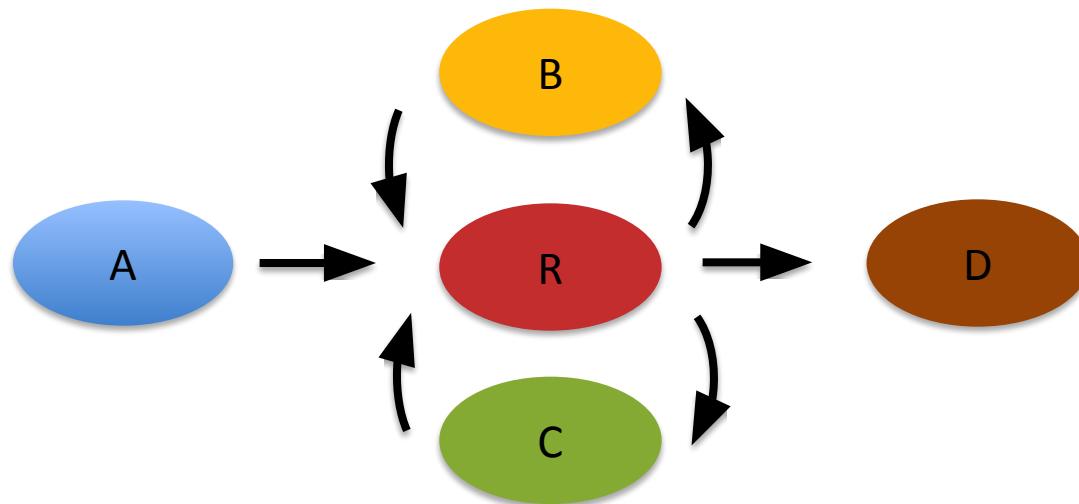
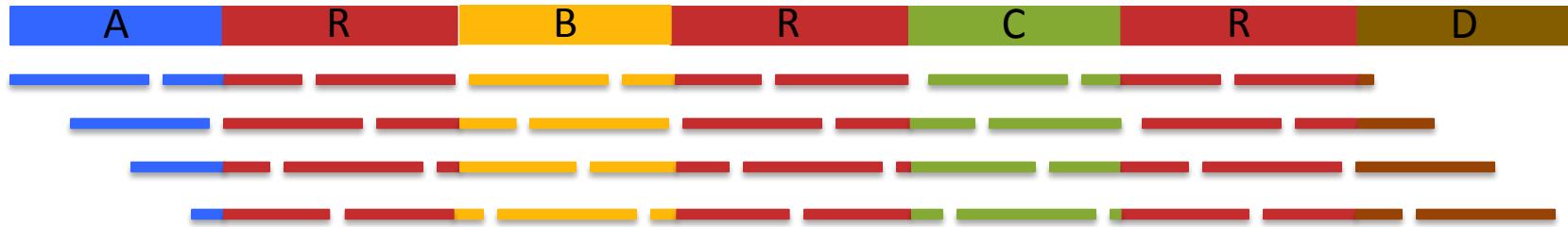


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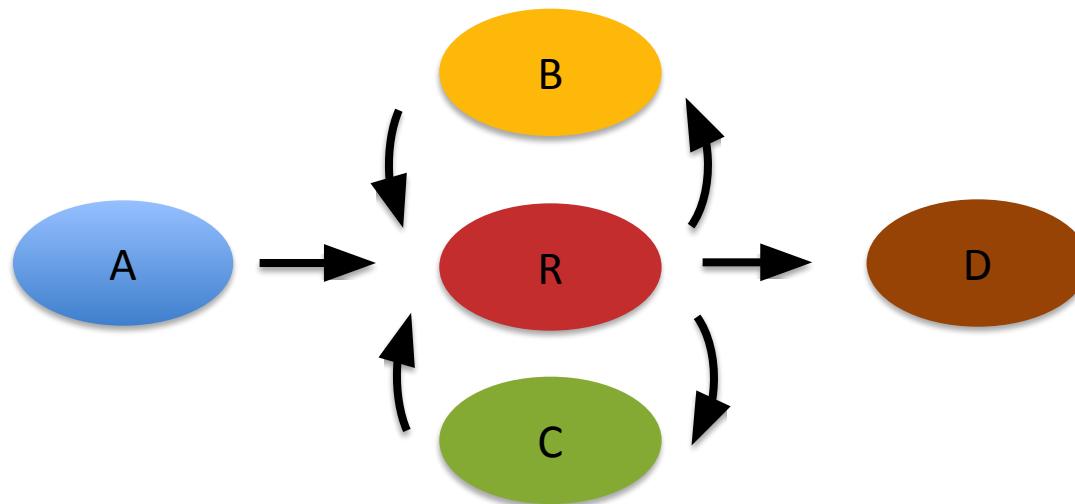
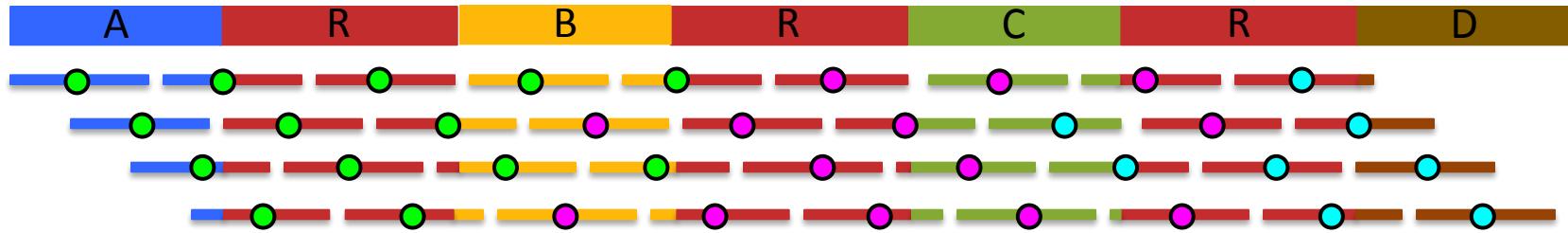
I will try to finish grading today, but here is some general feedback from what I've seen:

- Provide EXACT commands/code for each question
  - Include it in the corresponding answer, not at the end
- Command-line-based solutions (and brevity in general) is encouraged
  - Many people submitted dozens of lines of code for what could be done with a few piped commands
- Mark the pages for each answer on Gradescope

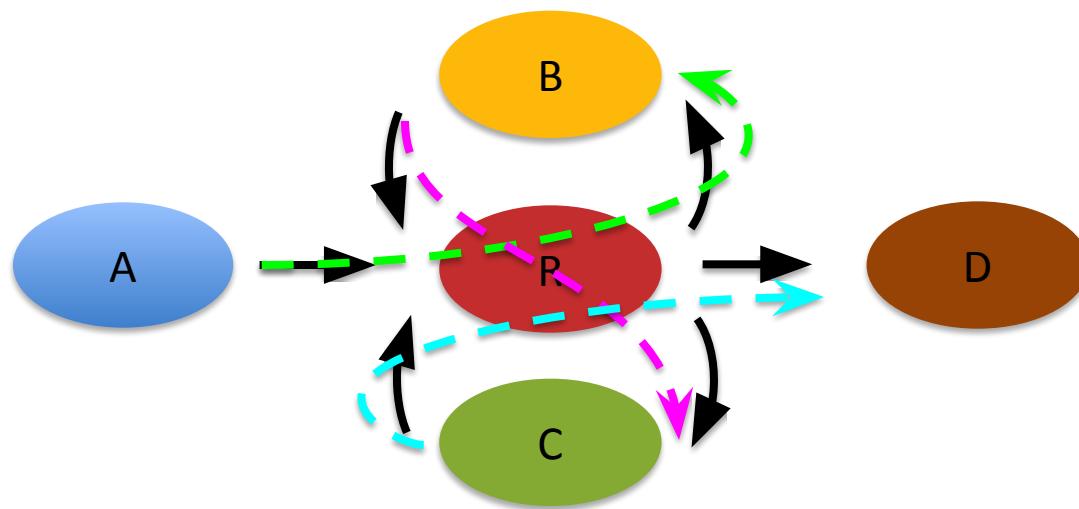
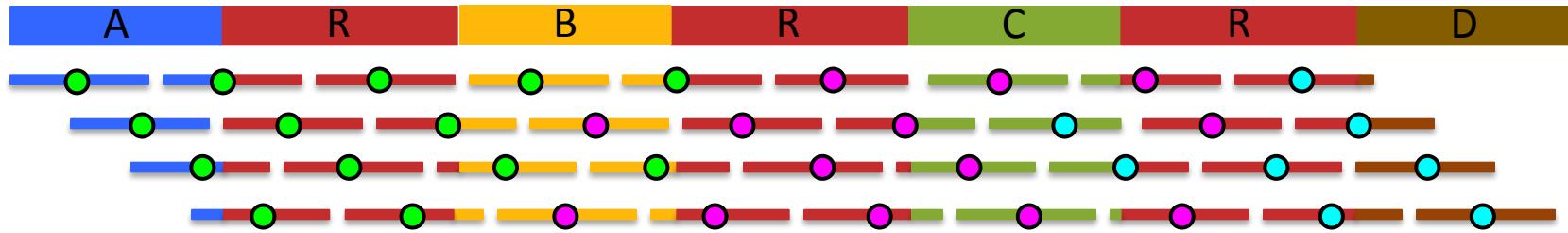
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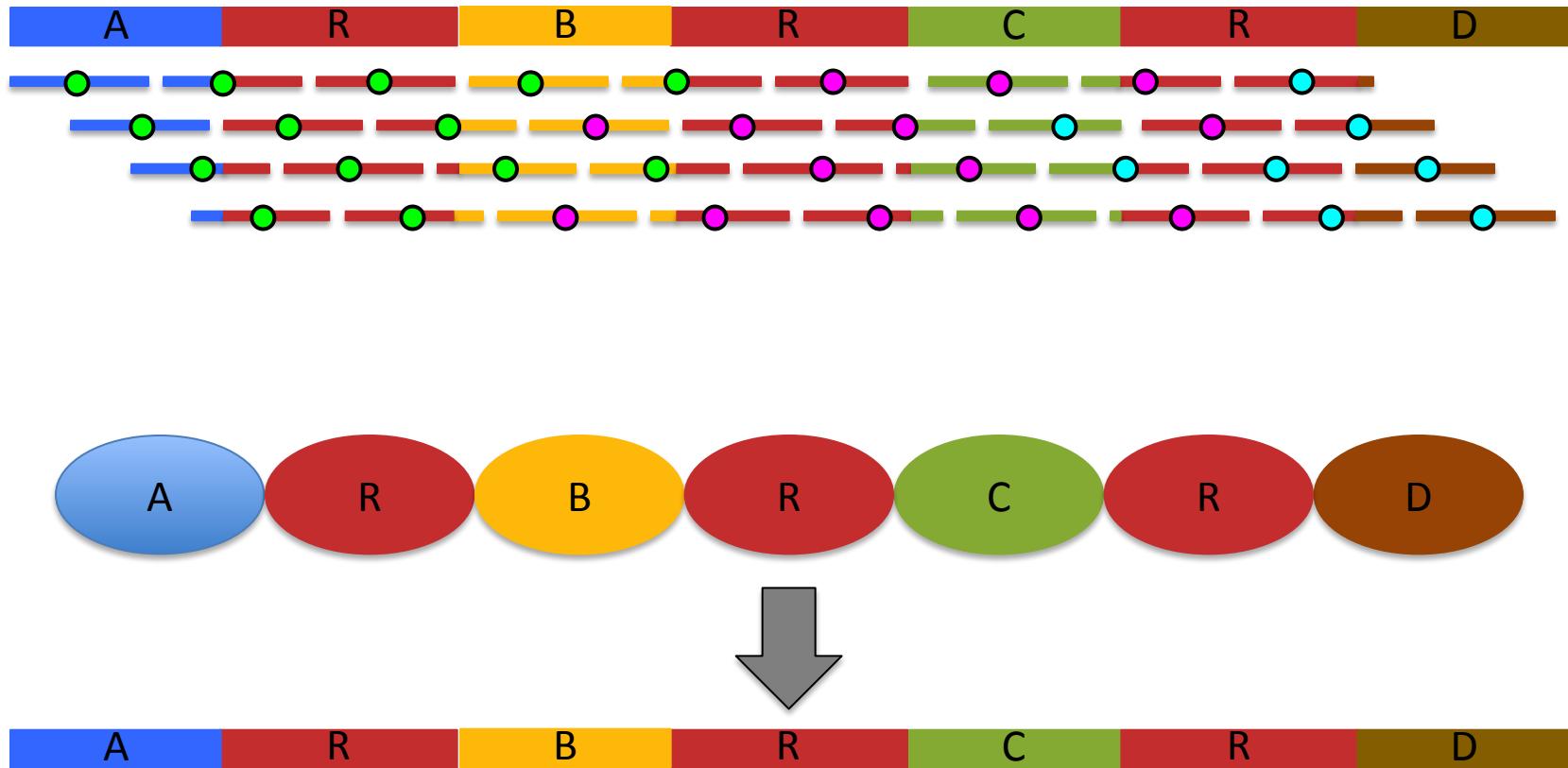
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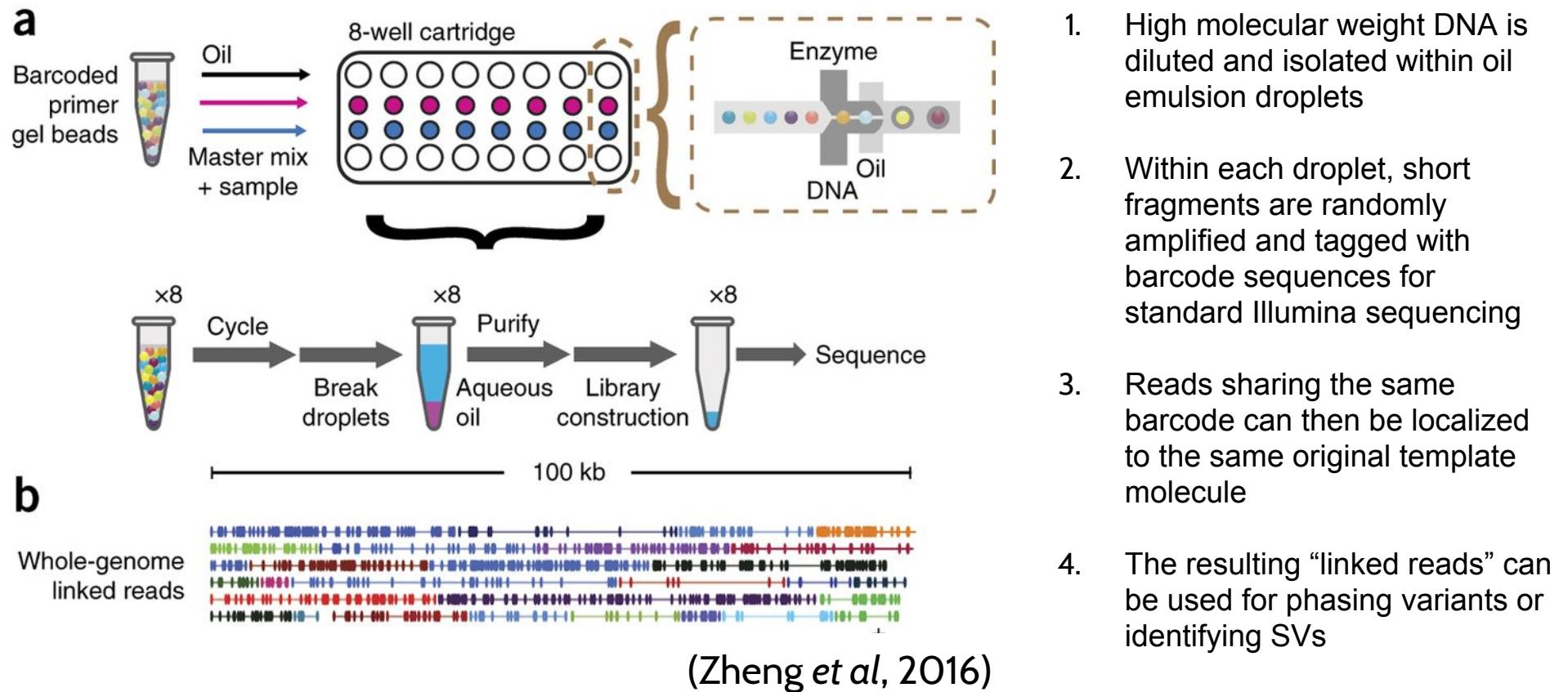
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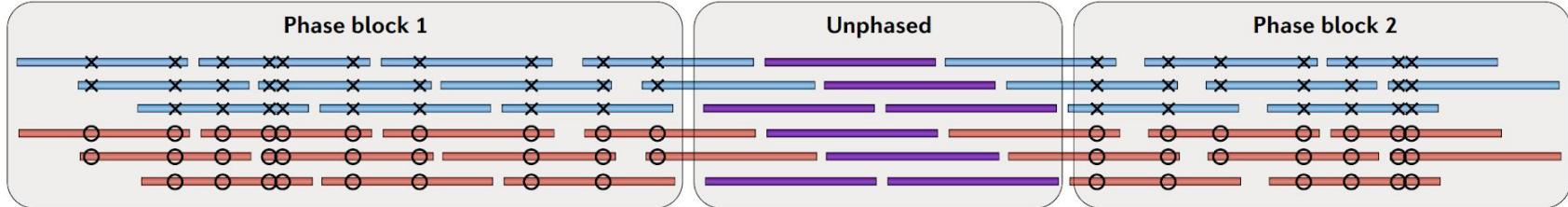
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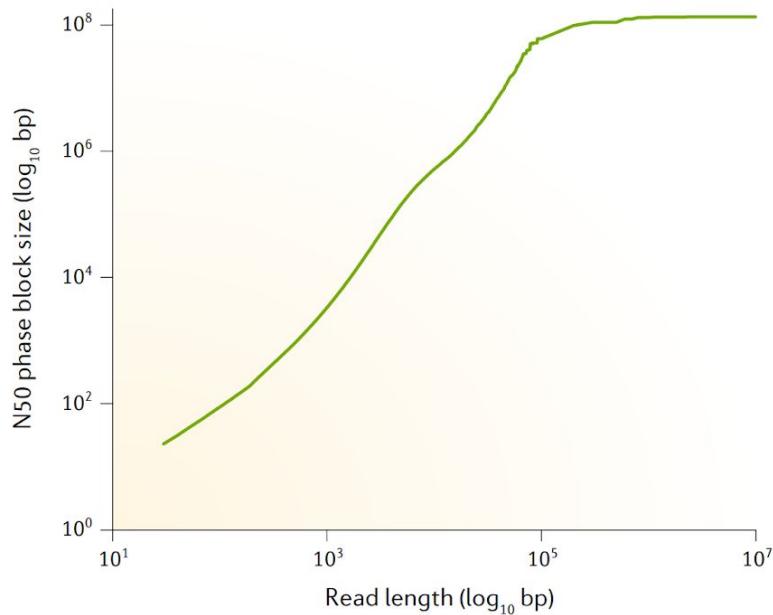
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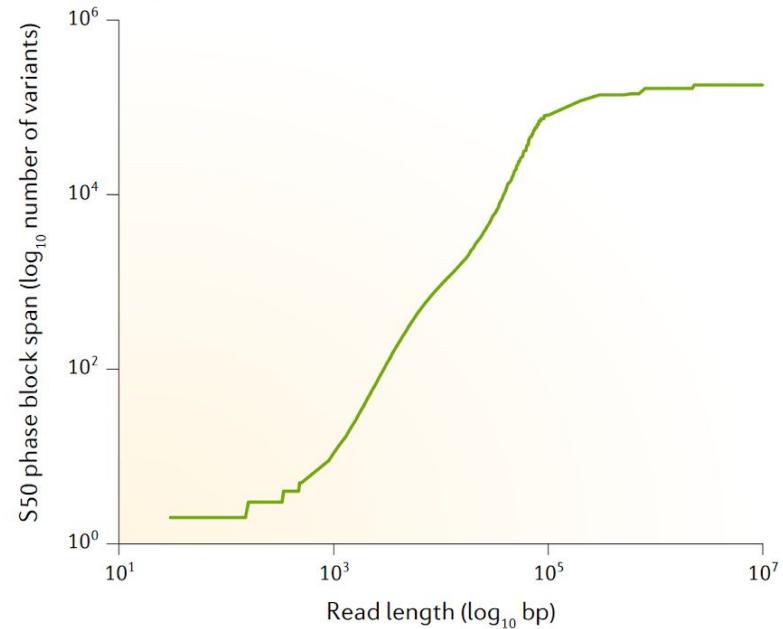
# Haplotype Phasing



**b** NA12878 Optimal phase block length increases with read length



**c** NA12878 Optimal phase variant span increases with read length



Piercing the dark matter: bioinformatics of long-range sequencing and mapping  
Sedlazeck et al. (2018) *Nature Reviews Genetics*. 19:329

# Uncertain Future for 10X



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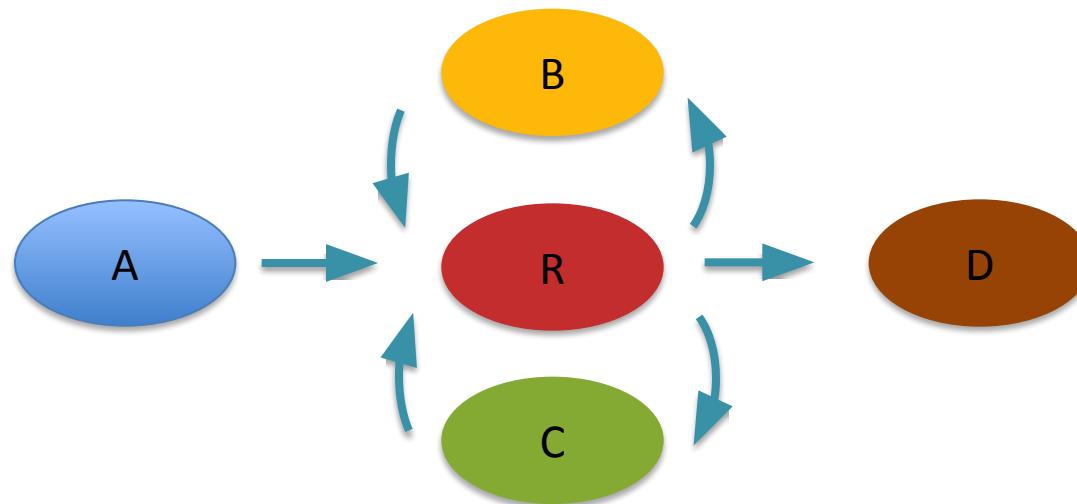
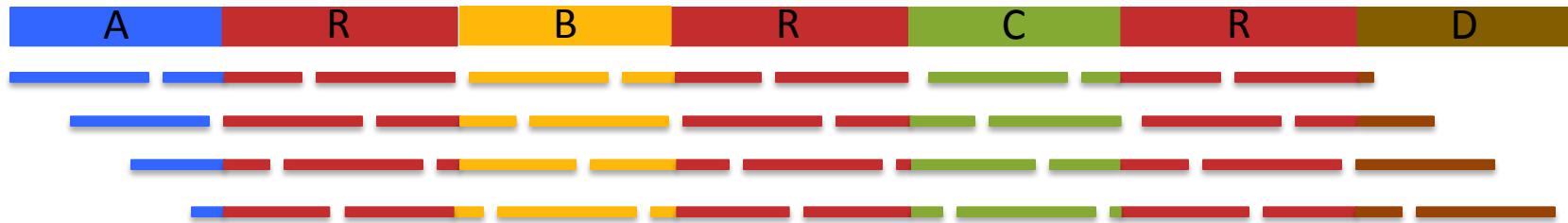
## Bio-Rad Awarded \$24M in 10x Genomics Patent Infringement Lawsuit

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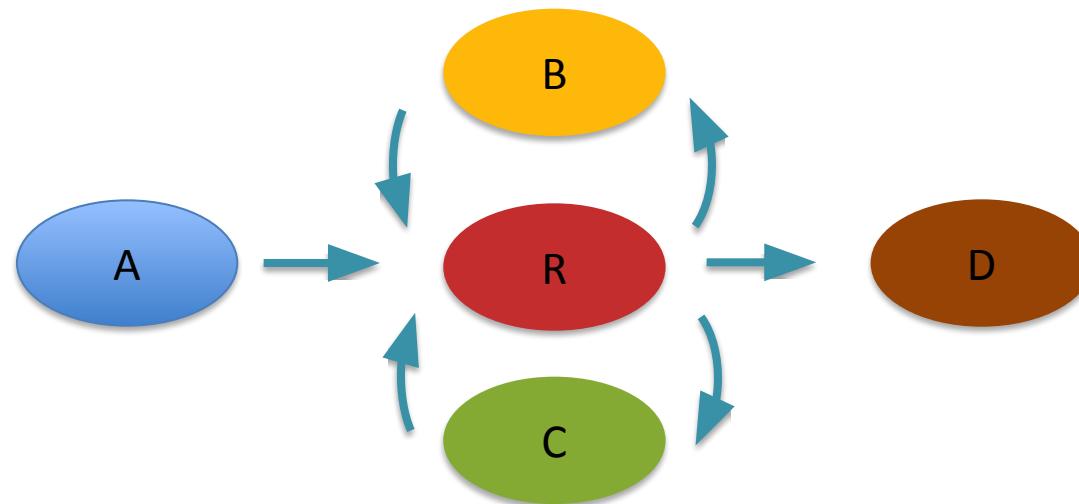
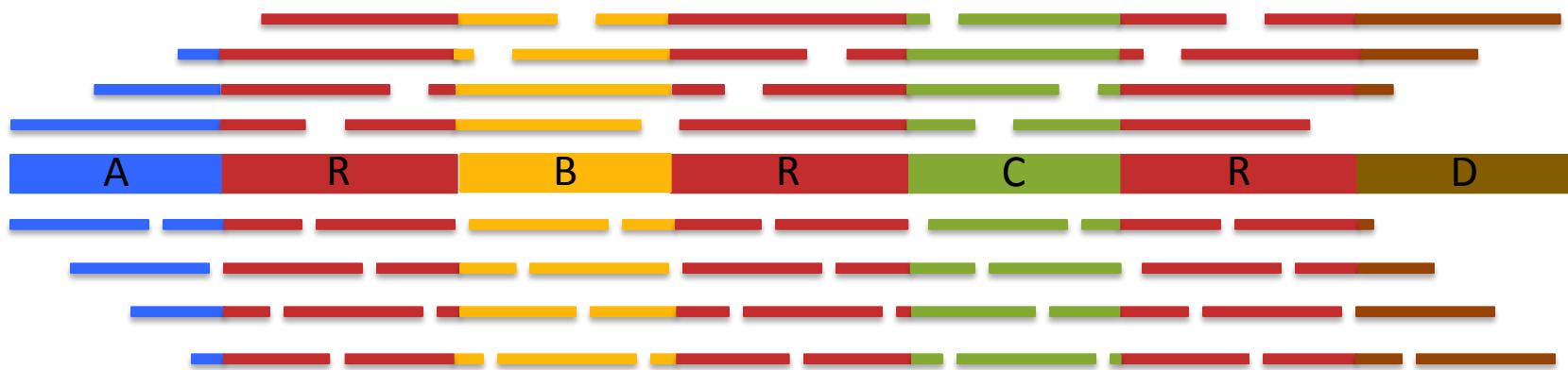
# PacBio Single Molecule Real Time Sequencing (SMRT-sequencing)



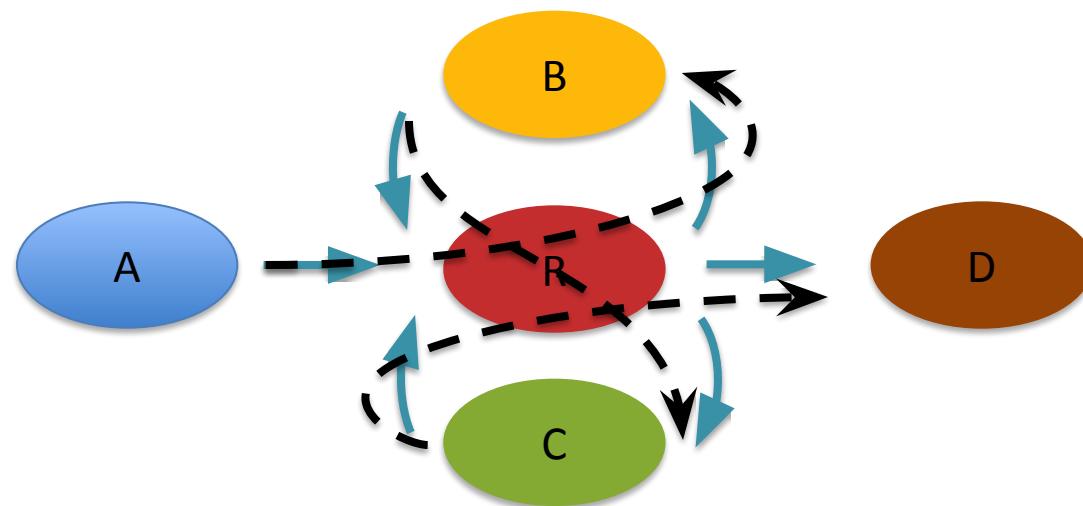
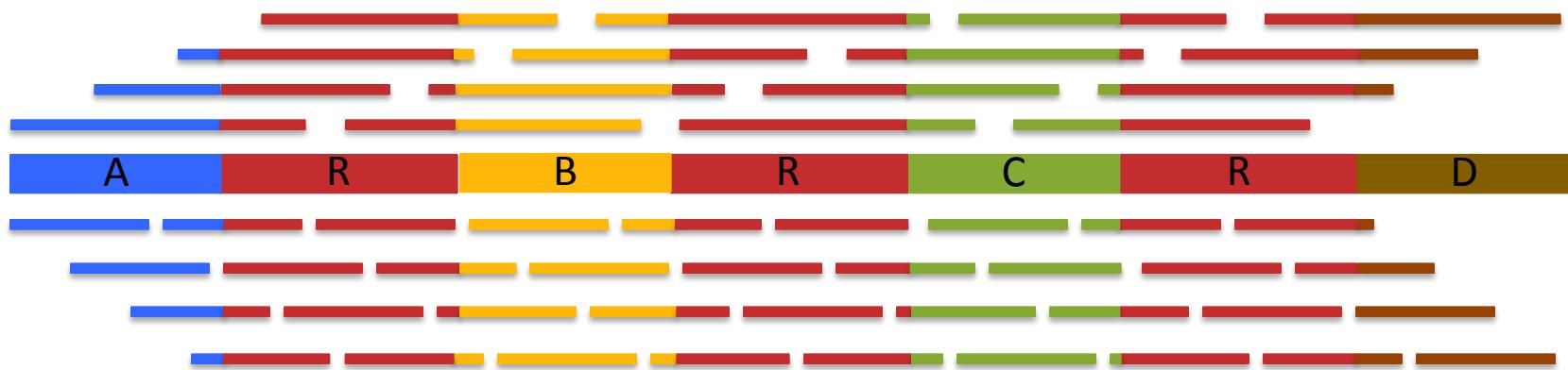
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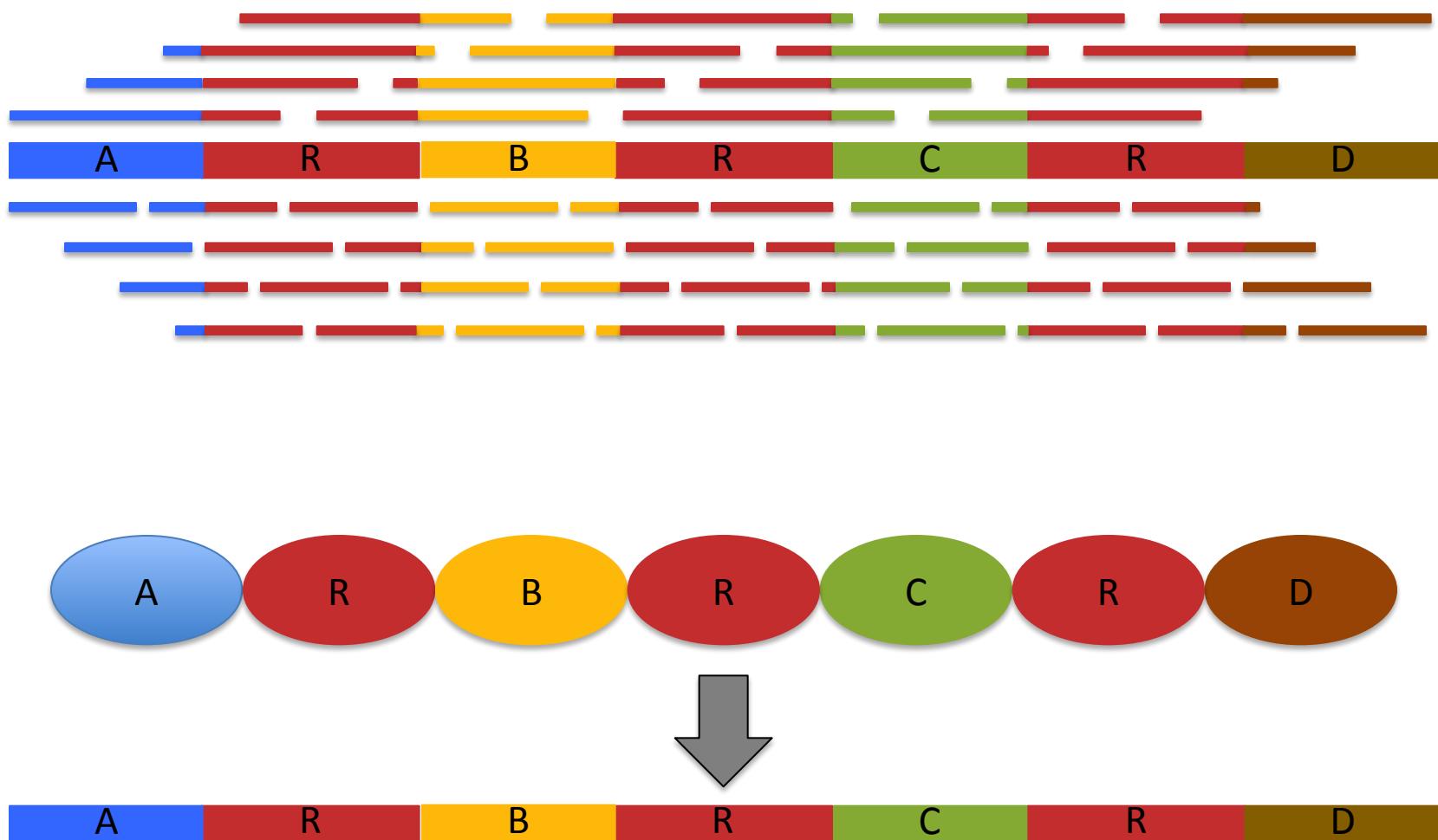
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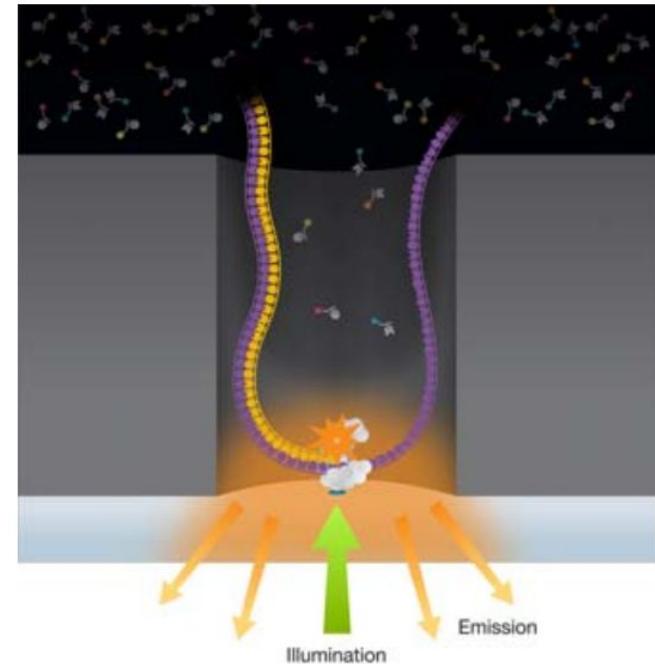
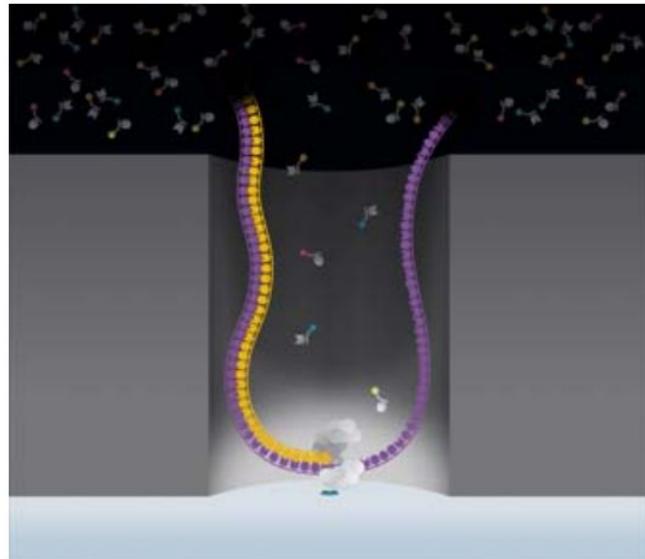


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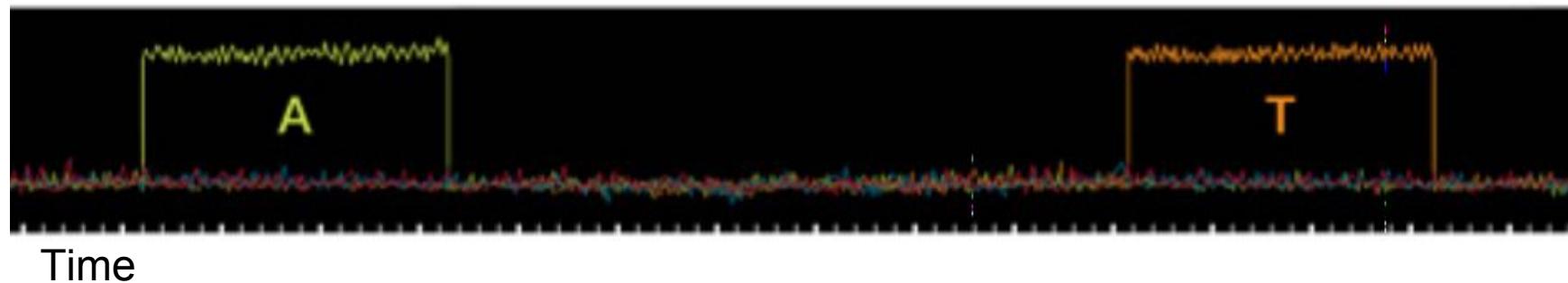
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# PacBio: SMRT Sequencing

Imaging of fluorescent phospholinked labeled nucleotides as they are incorporated by a polymerase anchored to a Zero-Mode Waveguide (ZMW).

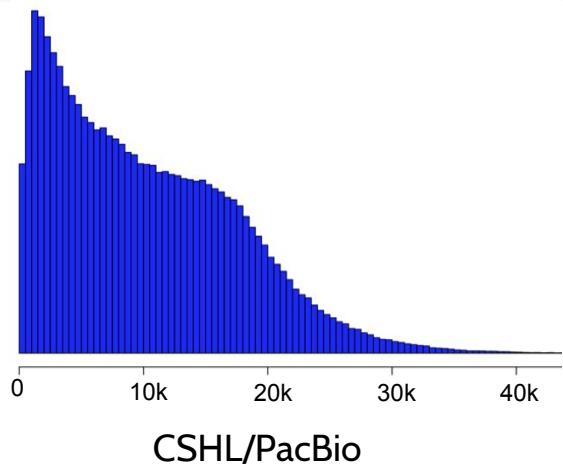


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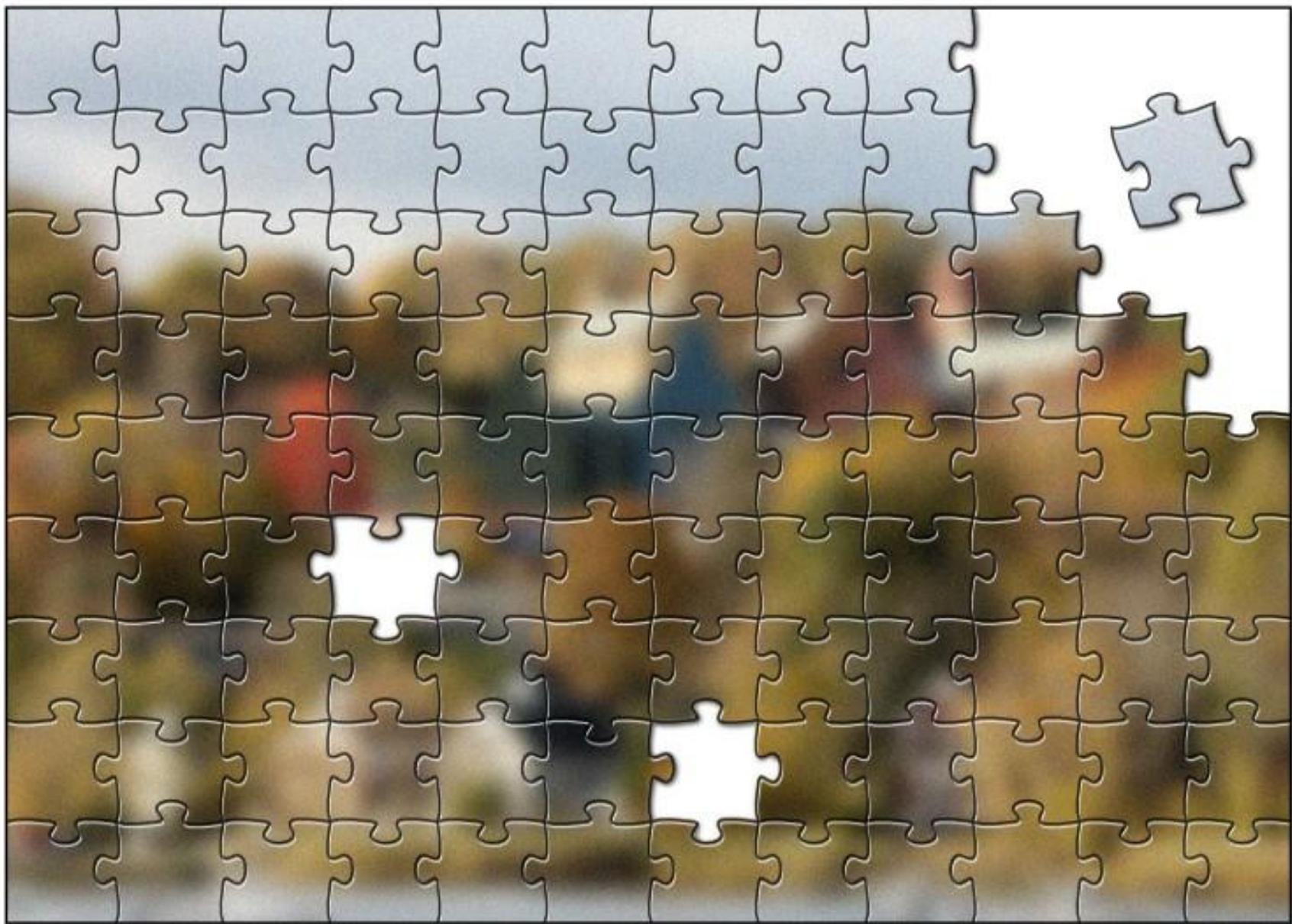
# SMRT Sequencing Data

# PacBio RS II

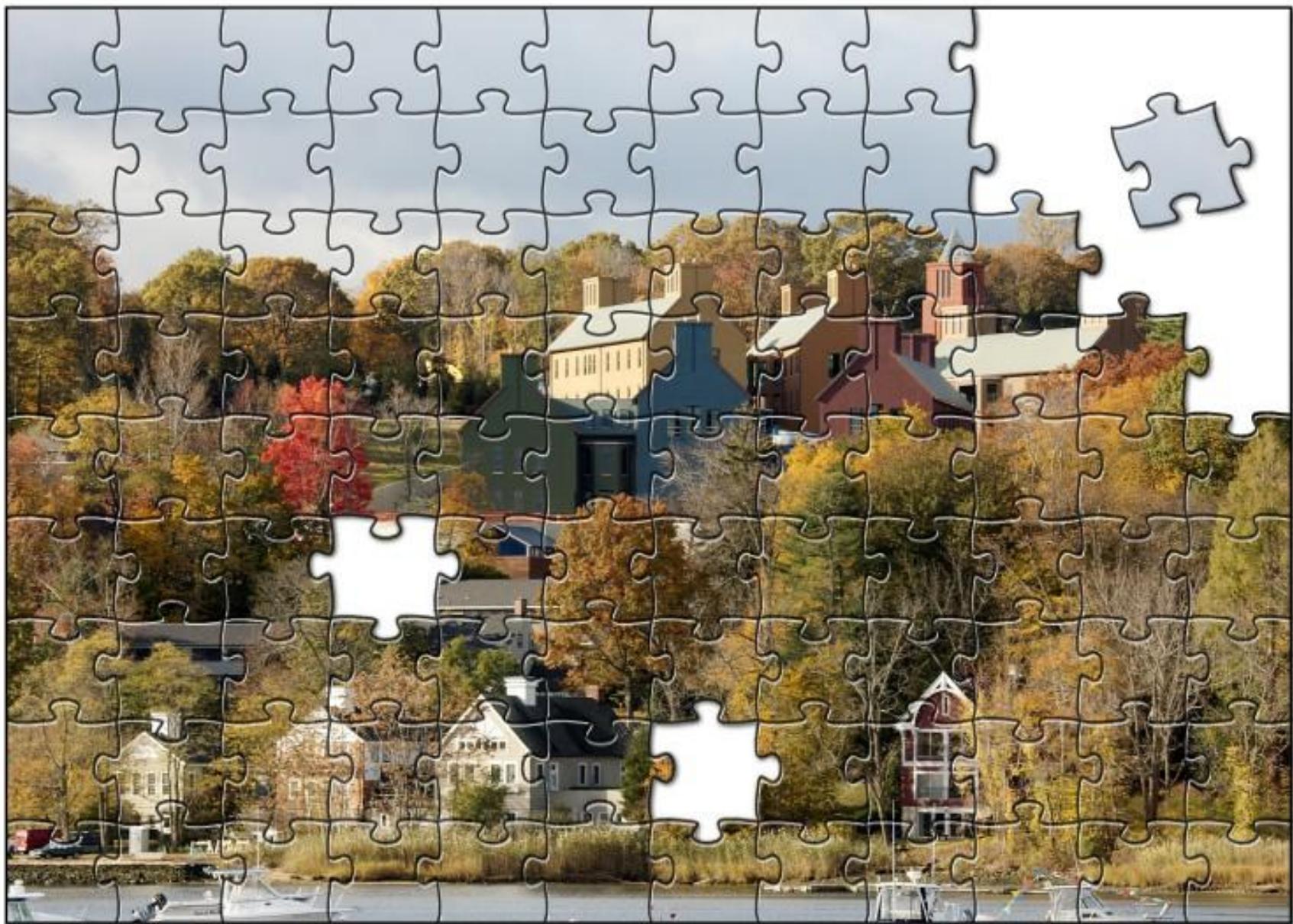


Sample of 100k reads aligned with BLASR requiring >100bp alignment  
Average overall accuracy: 83.7%, 11.5% insertions, 3.4% deletions, 1.4%

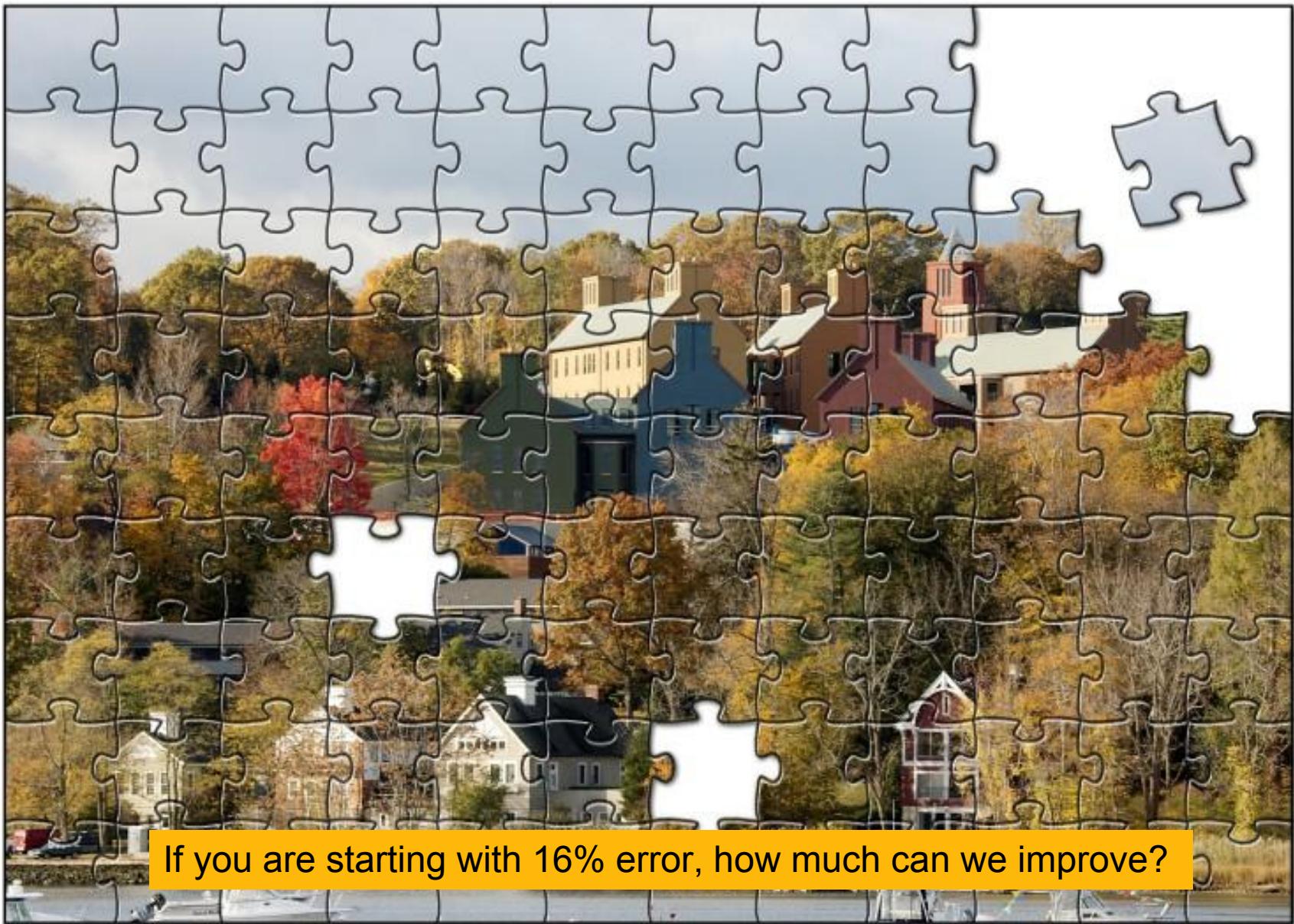
# Single Molecule Sequences



# “Corrective Lens” for Sequencing

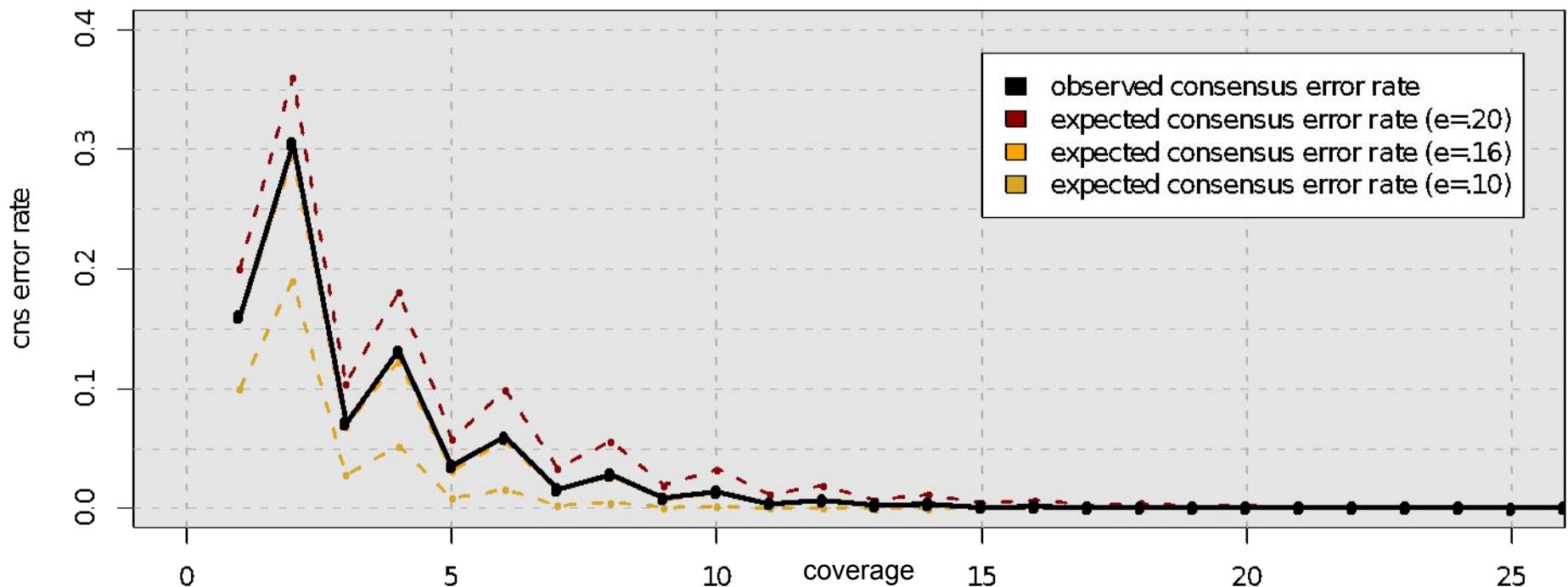


# “Corrective Lens” for Sequencing



If you are starting with 16% error, how much can we improve?

# Consensus Accuracy and Coverage



Coverage can overcome random errors

- Dashed: error model from binomial sampling; solid: observed accuracy
- For same reason, CCS is extremely accurate when using 5+ subreads

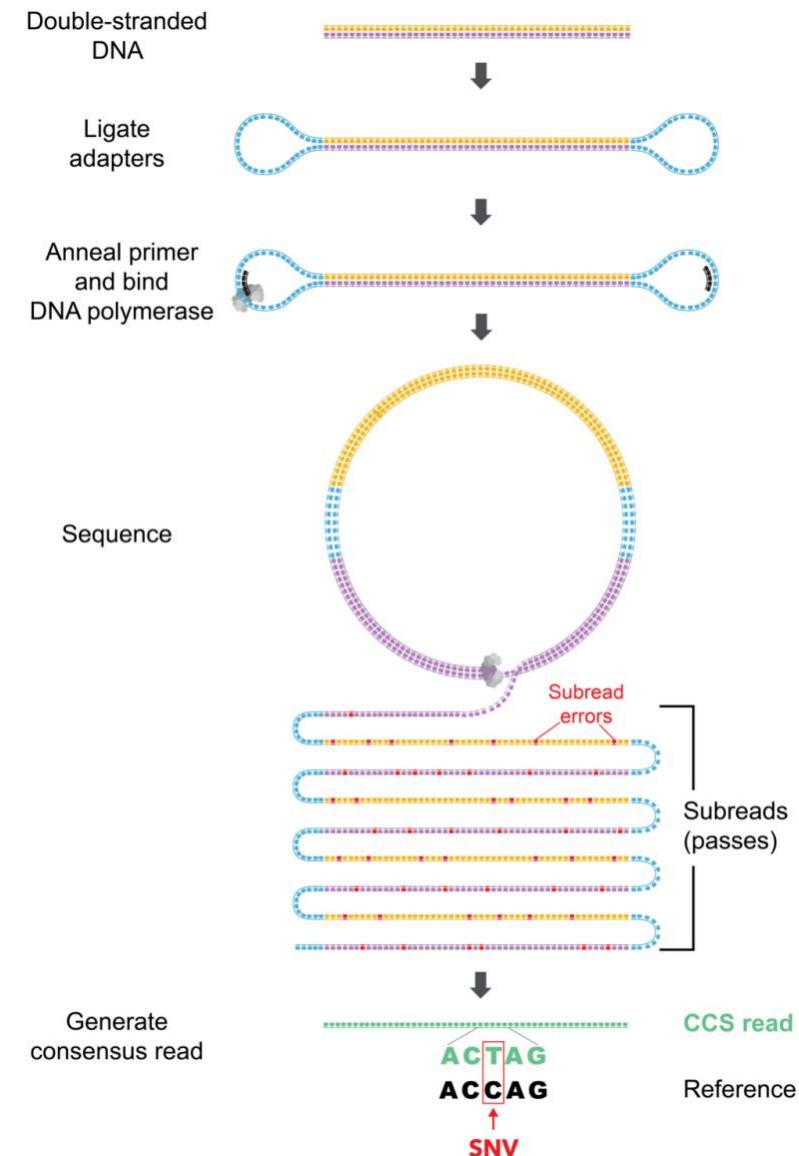
$$CNS\ Error = \sum_{i=\lceil c/2 \rceil}^c \binom{c}{i} (e)^i (1-e)^{n-i}$$

# Circular Consensus Reads

High-quality reads produced by sequencing the same molecule multiple times

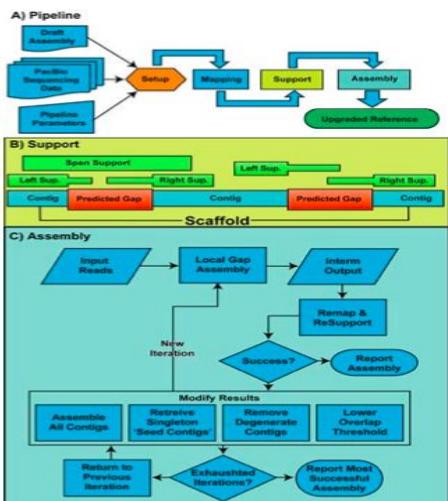
Higher accuracy for low-coverage sequences like somatic variants or lowly expressed transcripts in RNA-seq, more interpretable alignments, faster assembly

Limits read length, very expensive, calling consensus is currently slow



# PacBio Assembly Algorithms

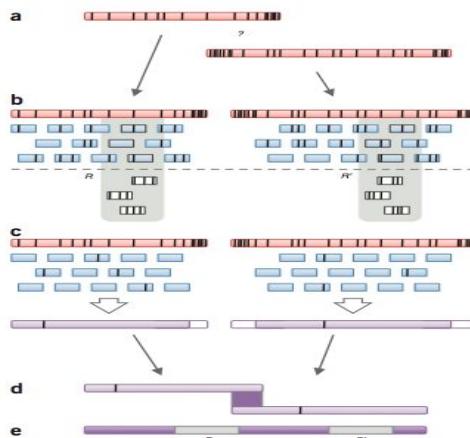
## PBJelly



Gap Filling  
and Assembly Upgrade

English *et al* (2012)  
*PLOS One*. 7(11): e47768

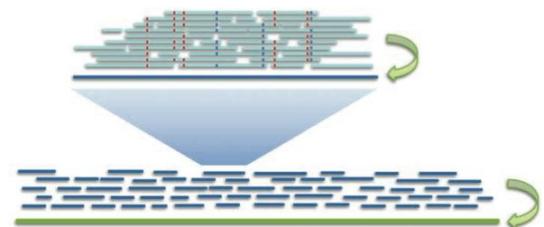
## PacBioToCA & ECTools



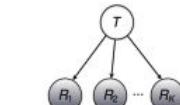
Hybrid/PB-only Error  
Correction

Koren, Schatz, *et al* (2012)  
*Nature Biotechnology*.  
30:693–700

## Canu/FALCON & Quiver/Arrow



$$\Pr(R | T) = \prod_k \Pr(R_k | T)$$



Quiver Performance Results  
Comparison to Reference Genome  
(*M. ruber*; 3.1 MB ; SMRT® Cells)

	Initial Assembly	Quiver Consensus
QV	43.4	54.5
Accuracy	99.99540%	99.99964%
Differences	141	11

PB-only Correction & Polishing

Chin *et al* (2016)  
*Nature Methods*. 13:1050–1054

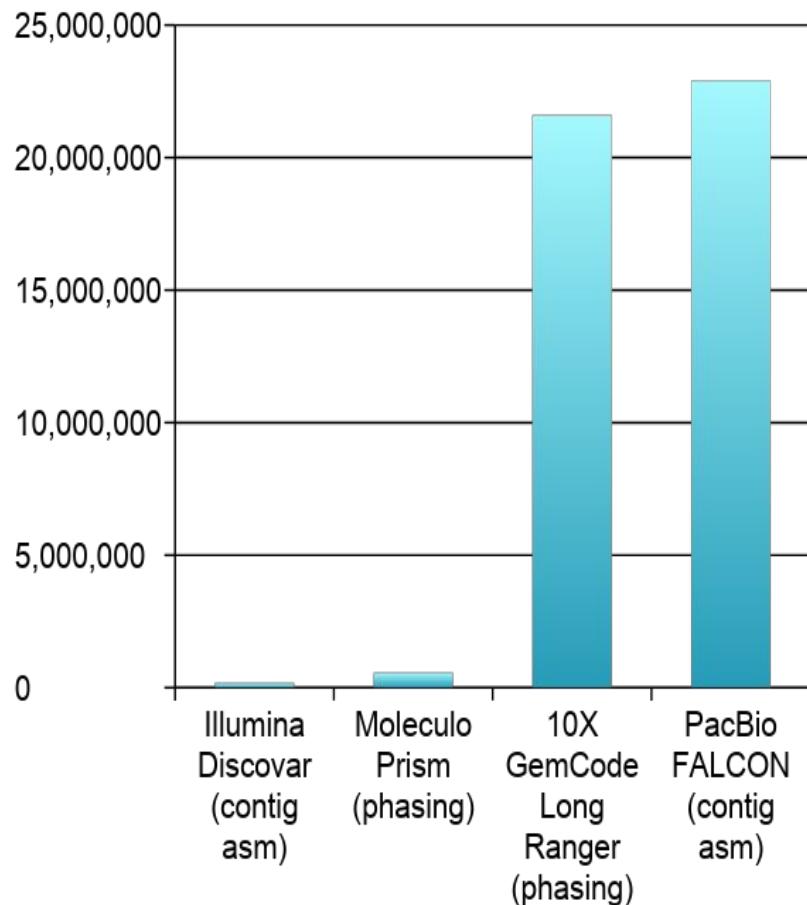
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PacBio Coverage

> 50x

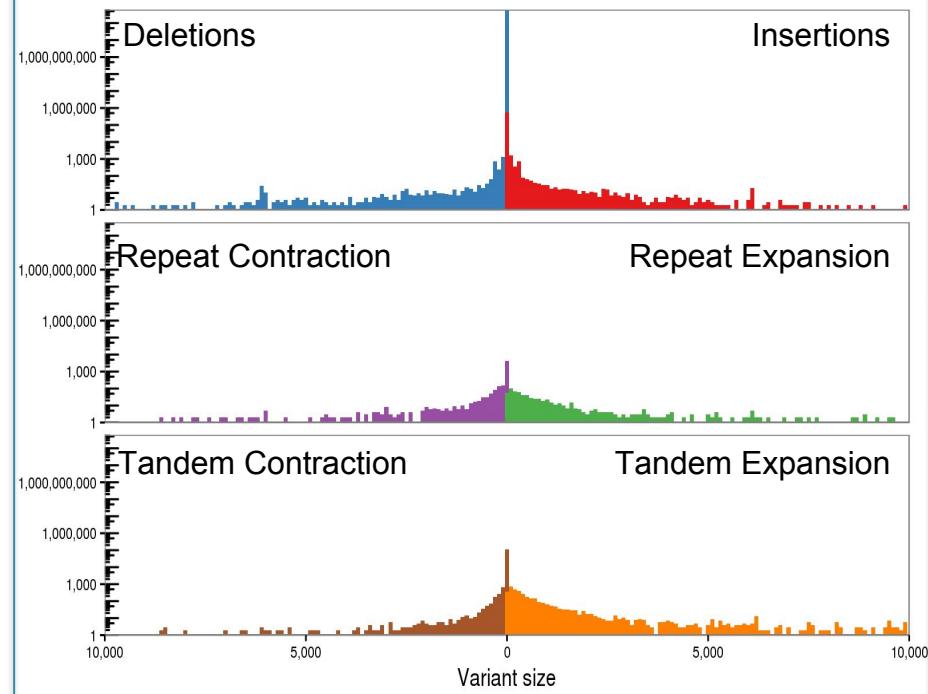
# Recent Long Read Assemblies

Human Analysis N50 Sizes



*Third-generation sequencing and the future of genomics*  
Lee et al (2016) *bioRxiv*  
doi: <http://dx.doi.org/10.1101/048603>

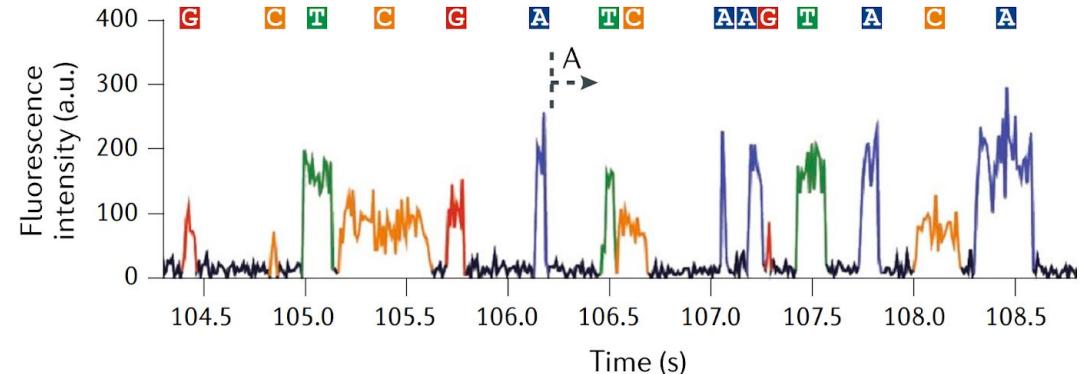
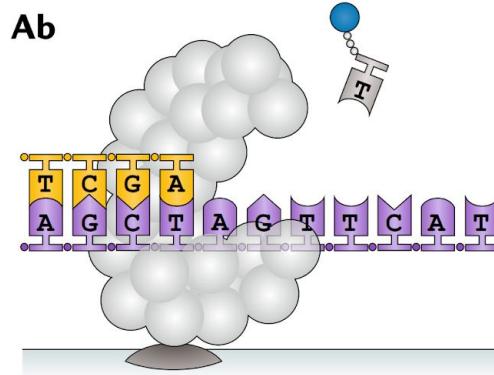
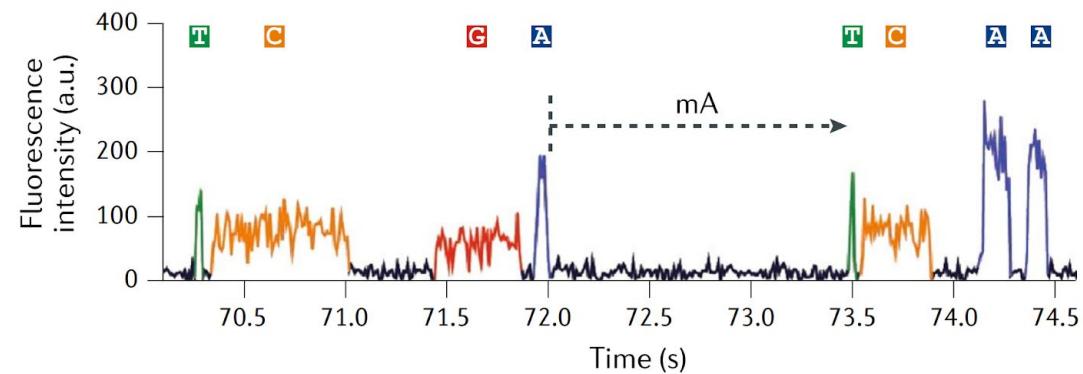
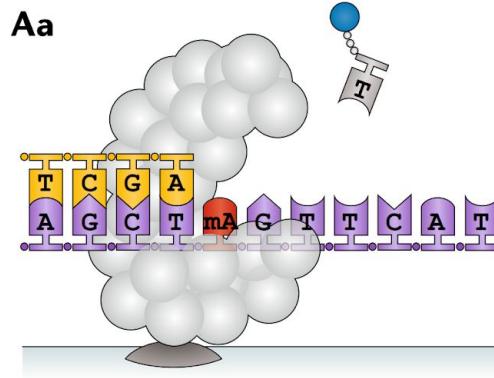
Structural Variants in CHM1



*Assemblytics: a web analytics tool for the detection of variants from an assembly*  
Nattestad & Schatz (2016) *Bioinformatics*.  
doi: [10.1093/bioinformatics/btw369](https://doi.org/10.1093/bioinformatics/btw369)

# Methylation Detection

- **Methylation** - an epigenetic modification that can have a variety of effects, such as gene repression
- Can detect methylation from raw PacBio signal



# PacBio Roadmap



## *PacBio Sequel II*

\$350k instrument cost  
841 lbs

~\$6k / human @ 50x



## *SMRTcell v2*

1M Zero Mode Waveguides  
~15kb average read length  
~10 GB / SMRTcell  
~\$1000 / SMRTcell

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# DNA sequencing giant Illumina just bought rival Pac Bio for \$1.2 billion — here's why

- Illumina just paid \$1.2 billion for Pacific Biosciences, to help it retain its dominant position in the DNA sequencing space, biotech experts say.
- Illumina, which is valued at more than \$45 billion, makes the machines that companies from 23andMe to Ancestry rely on for their sequencing.

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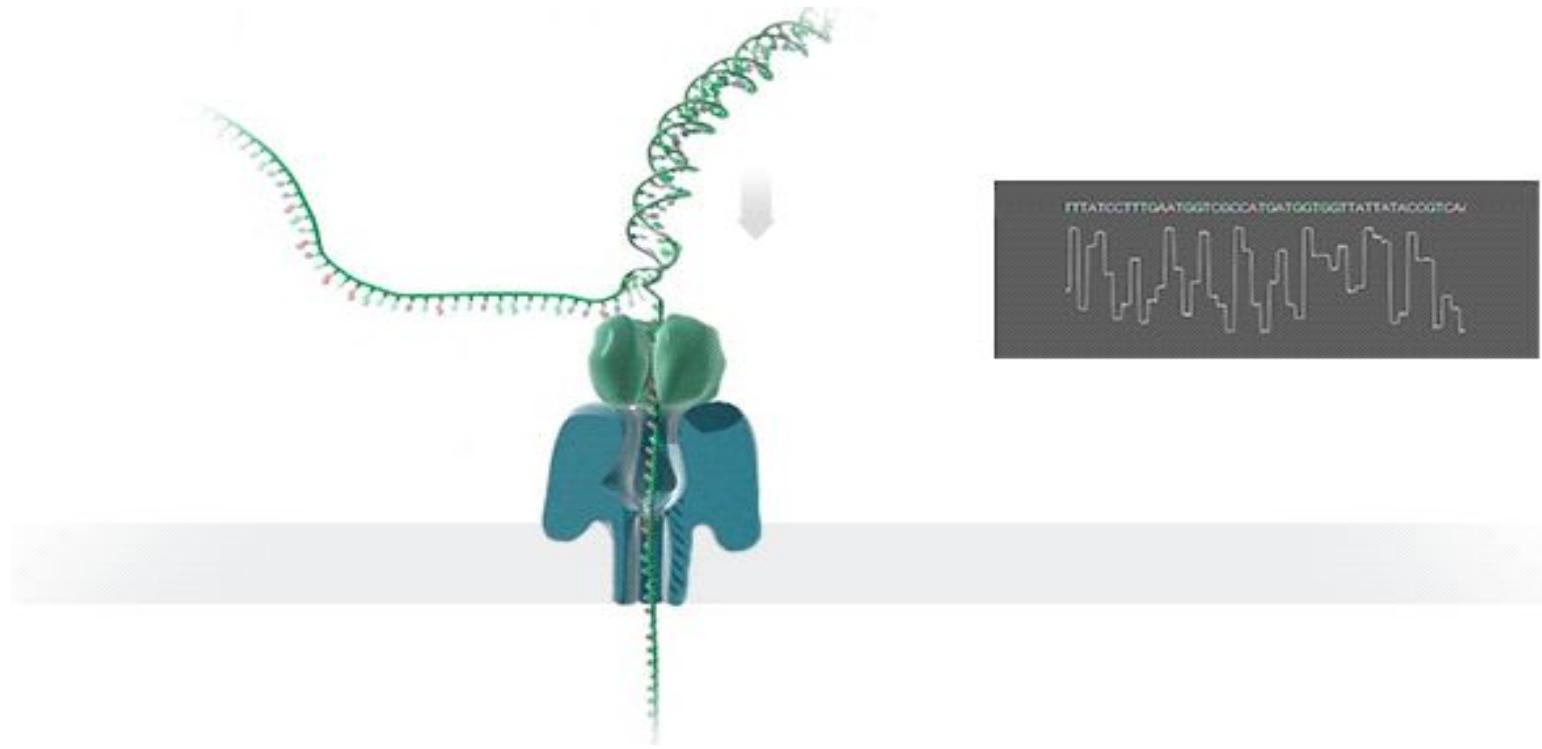
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# Nanopore Sequencing

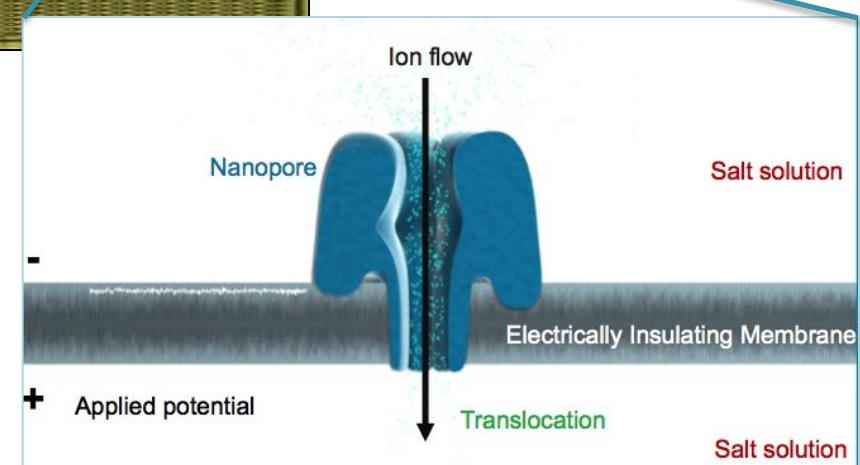
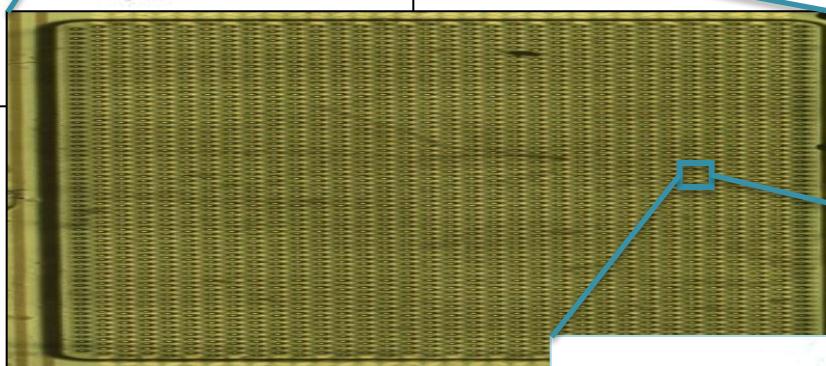
Sequences DNA/RNA by measuring changes in ionic current as nucleotide strand passes through a pore



# Oxford Nanopore MinION



- Thumb drive sized sequencer powered over USB
- Contains 512 channels
- Four pores per channel, only one pore active at a time



- Early access began in 2014
- Officially released in 2015  
(the same year I met Mike!)

# “Ultra-Long Read” Assembly

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## Nanopore sequencing and assembly of a human genome with ultra-long reads

Miten Jain<sup>1,13</sup>, Sergey Koren<sup>2,13</sup>, Karen H Miga<sup>1,13</sup>, Josh Quick<sup>3,13</sup>, Arthur C Rand<sup>1,13</sup>, Thomas A Sasani<sup>4,5,13</sup>, John R Tyson<sup>6,13</sup>, Andrew D Beggs<sup>7</sup>, Alexander T Dilthey<sup>2</sup>, Ian T Fiddes<sup>1</sup>, Sunir Malla<sup>8</sup>, Hannah Marriott<sup>8</sup>, Tom Nieto<sup>7</sup>, Justin O’Grady<sup>9</sup>, Hugh E Olsen<sup>1</sup>, Brent S Pedersen<sup>4,5</sup>, Arang Rhie<sup>2</sup>, Hollian Richardson<sup>9</sup>, Aaron R Quinlan<sup>4,5,10</sup>, Terrance P Snutch<sup>6</sup>, Louise Tee<sup>7</sup>, Benedict Paten<sup>1</sup>, Adam M Phillippy<sup>2</sup>, Jared T Simpson<sup>11,12</sup>, Nicholas J Loman<sup>3</sup> & Matthew Loose<sup>8</sup>

We report the sequencing and assembly of a reference genome for the human GM12878 Utah/Cepheid cell line using the MinION (Oxford Nanopore Technologies) nanopore sequencer. 91.2 Gb of sequence data, representing ~30x theoretical coverage, were produced. Reference-based alignment enabled detection of large structural variants and epigenetic modifications. *De novo* assembly of nanopore reads alone yielded a contiguous assembly (NG50 ~3 Mb). We developed a protocol to generate ultra-long reads (N50 > 100 kb, read lengths up to 882 kb). Incorporating an additional 5x coverage of these ultra-long reads more than doubled the assembly contiguity (NG50 ~6.4 Mb). The final assembled genome was 2,867 million bases in size, covering 85.8% of the reference. Assembly accuracy, after incorporating complementary short-read sequencing data, exceeded 99.8%. Ultra-long reads enabled assembly and phasing of the 4-Mb major histocompatibility complex (MHC) locus in its entirety, measurement of telomere repeat length, and closure of gaps in the reference human genome assembly GRCh38.

The human genome is used as a yardstick to assess performance of DNA sequencing instruments<sup>1–5</sup>. Despite improvements in sequencing technology, assembling human genomes with high accuracy and completeness remains challenging. This is due to size (~3.1 Gb), heterozygosity, regions of GC% bias, diverse repeat families, and segmental duplications (up to 1.7 Mbp in size) that make up at least 50% of the genome<sup>6</sup>. Even more challenging are the pericentromeric, centromeric, and acrocentric short arms of chromosomes, which contain satellite DNA and tandem repeats of 3–10 Mb in length<sup>7,8</sup>. Repetitive structures pose challenges for *de novo* assembly using “short read” sequencing technologies, such as Illumina’s. Such data, while enabling highly accurate genotyping in non-repetitive regions, do not provide contiguous *de novo* assemblies. This limits the ability to reconstruct repetitive sequences, detect complex structural variation, and fully characterize the human genome.

Single-molecule sequencers, such as Pacific Biosciences’ (PacBio), can produce read lengths of 10 kb or more, which makes *de novo* human genome assembly more tractable<sup>9</sup>. However, single-molecule sequencing reads have significantly higher error rates compared with Illumina sequencing. This has necessitated development of *de novo* assembly

algorithms and the use of long noisy data in conjunction with accurate short reads to produce high-quality reference genomes<sup>10</sup>. In May 2014, the MinION nanopore sequencer was made available to early-access users<sup>11</sup>. Initially, the MinION nanopore sequencer was used to sequence and assemble microbial genomes or PCR products<sup>12–14</sup> because the output was limited to 500 Mb to 2 Gb of sequenced bases. More recently, assemblies of eukaryotic genomes including yeasts, fungi, and *Caenorhabditis elegans* have been reported<sup>15–17</sup>.

Recent improvements to the protein pore (a laboratory-evolved *Escherichia coli* CsgG mutant named R9.4), library preparation techniques (1D ligation and 1D rapid), sequencing speed (450 bases/s), and control software have increased throughput, so we hypothesized that whole-genome sequencing (WGS) of a human genome might be feasible using only a MinION nanopore sequencer<sup>17–19</sup>.

We report sequencing and assembly of a reference human genome for GM12878 from the Utah/CEPH pedigree, using MinION R9.4 1D chemistry, including ultra-long reads up to 882 kb in length. GM12878 has been sequenced on a wide variety of platforms, and has well-validated variation call sets, which enabled us to benchmark our results<sup>20</sup>.

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# Current Nanopore Assembly

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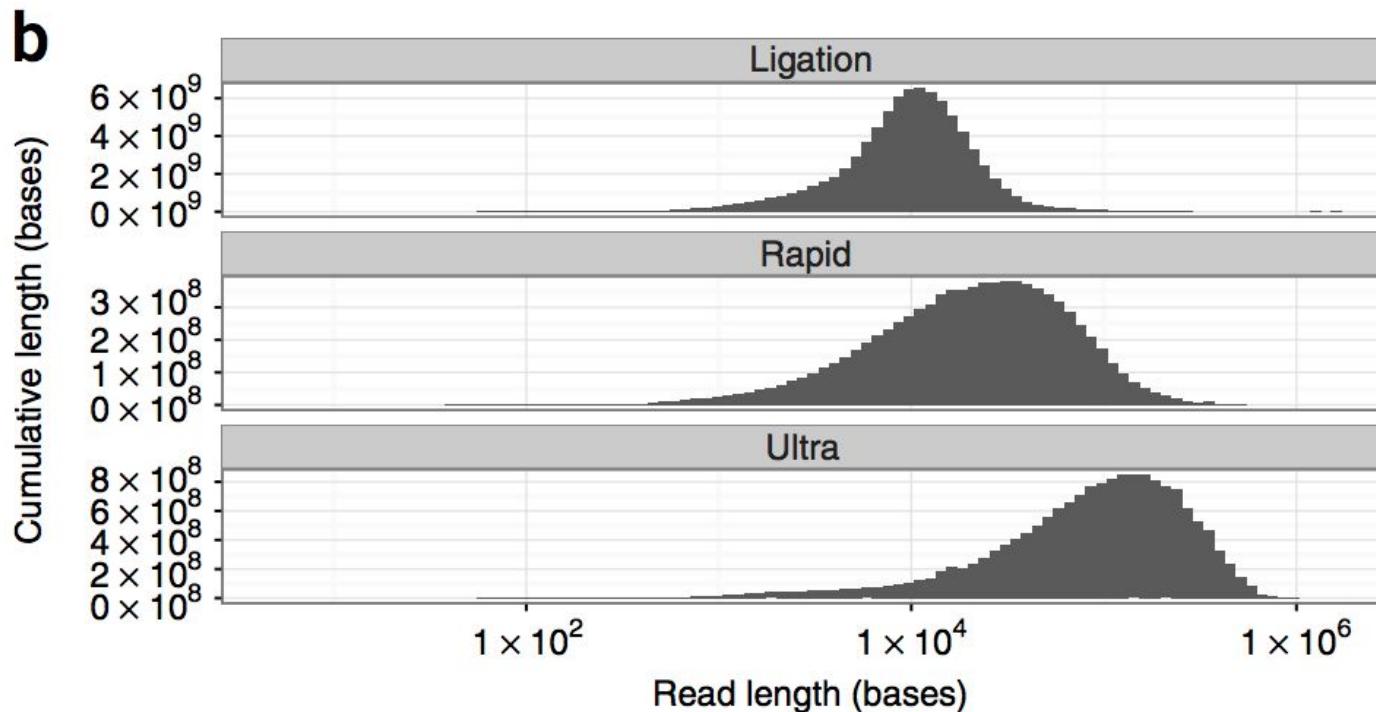
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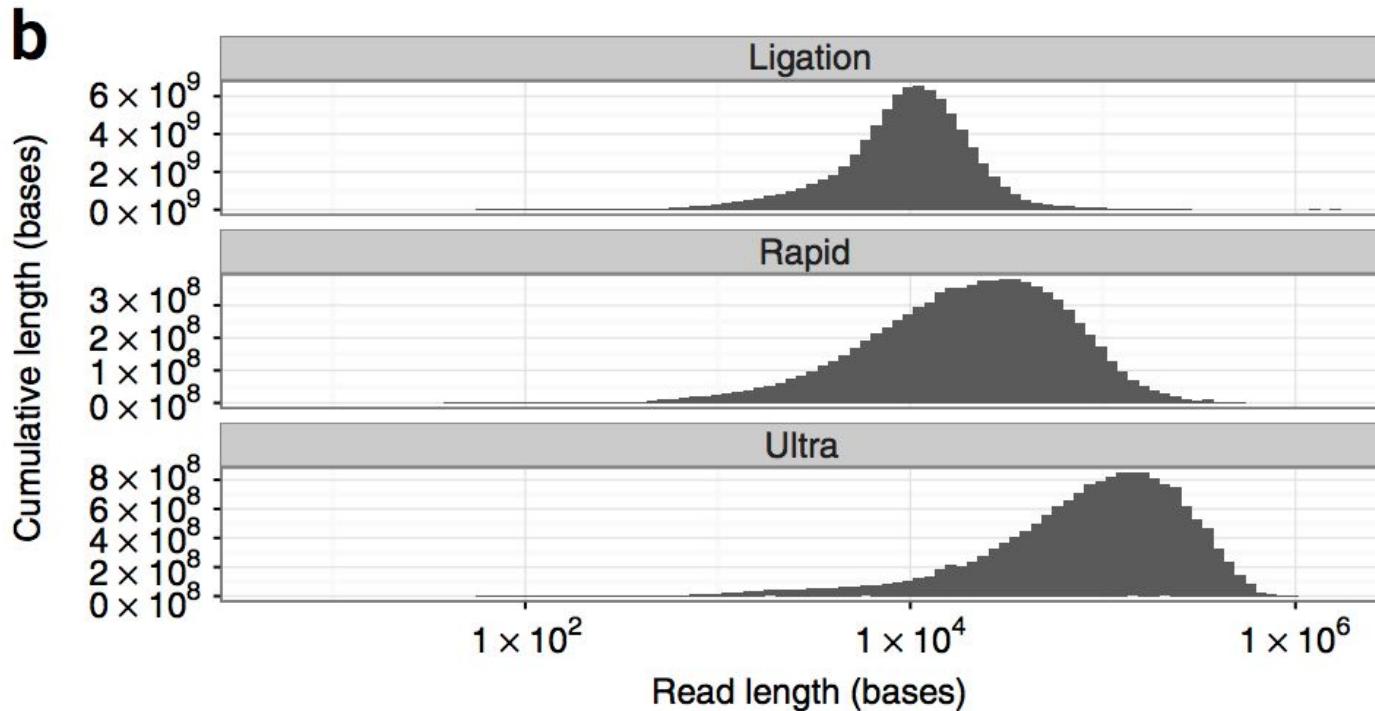
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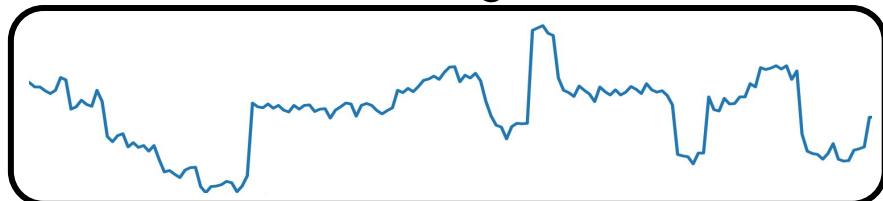
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Same group recently reported a read 2.3 million bases long!

No theoretical upper limit

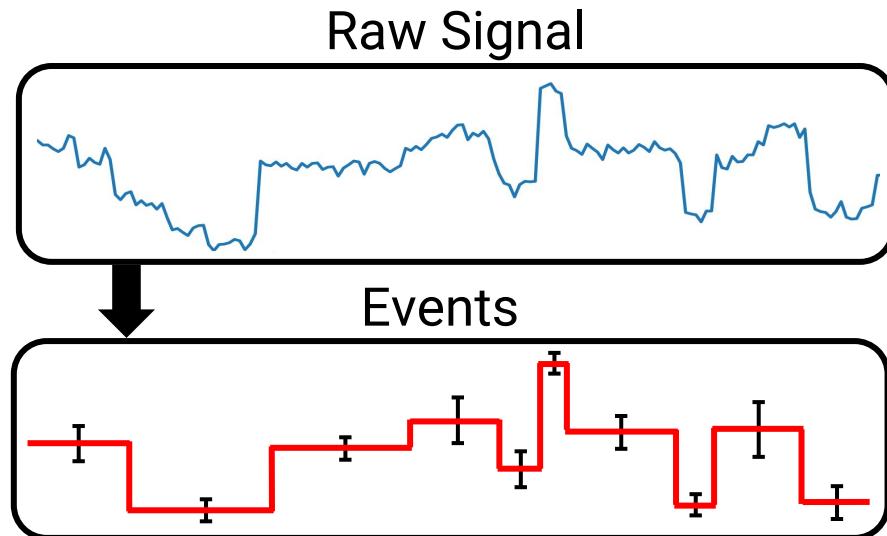
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Raw Signal



Translation of raw signal  
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Early basecallers began by  
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using “events”, which were  
then input to an HMM

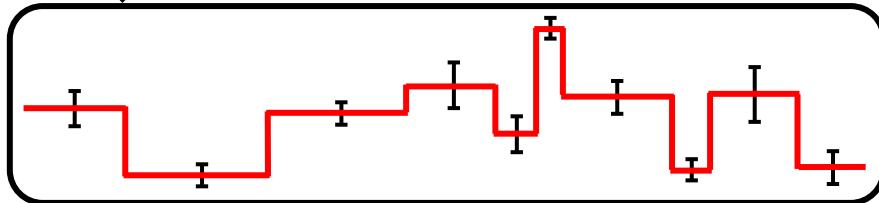
Modern basecallers use  
neural networks directly  
on raw signal

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Raw Signal



Events

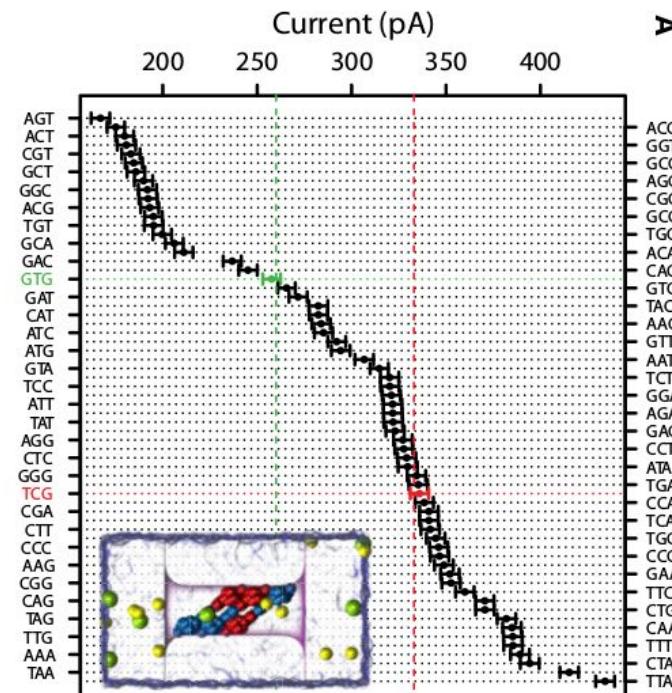


Possible k-mers

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AGCA	TGGC	TTAC	TCCA
GTCT	ATTA	ACGT	GACG
GATT	ATTG	GTCT	ACGG

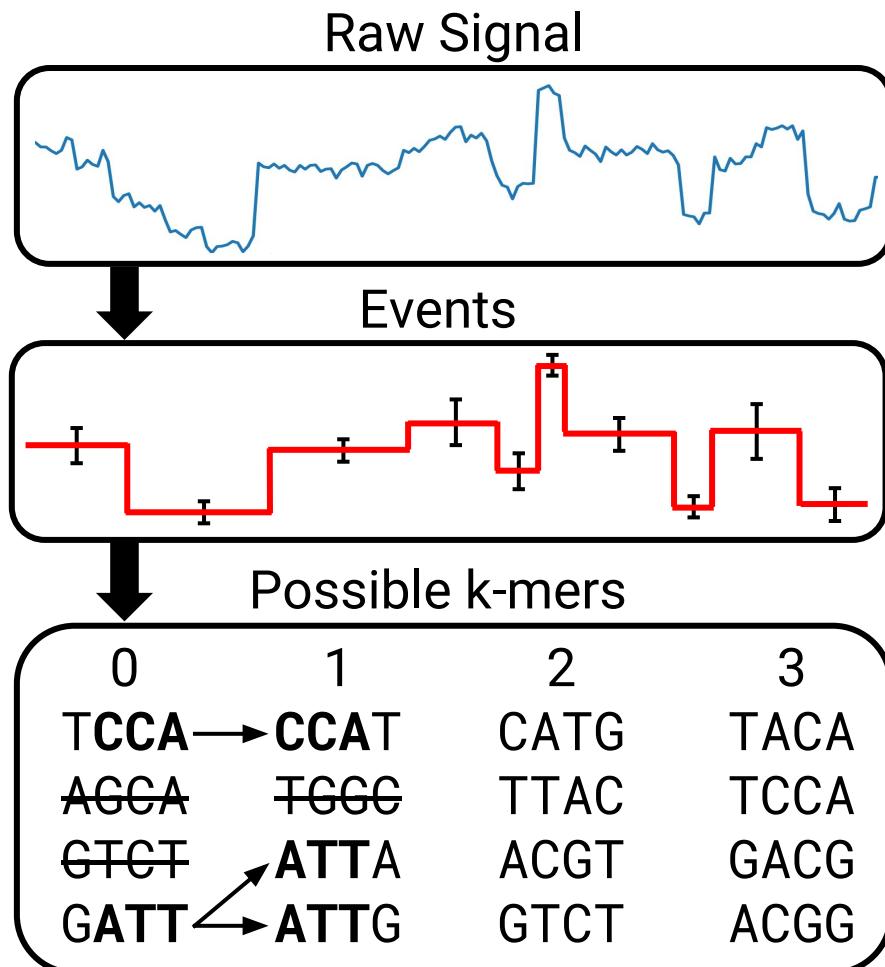
(Based on probability of event matches)

ONT releases k-mer models with expected current distribution of every k-mer

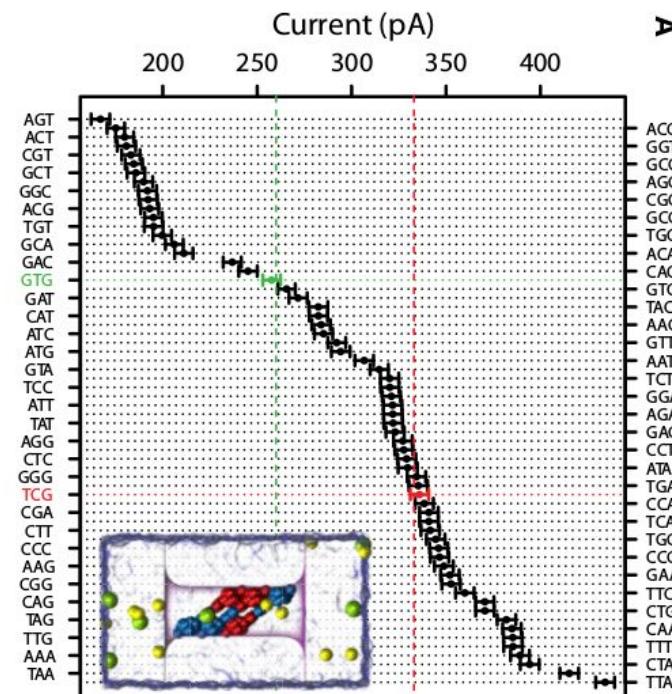


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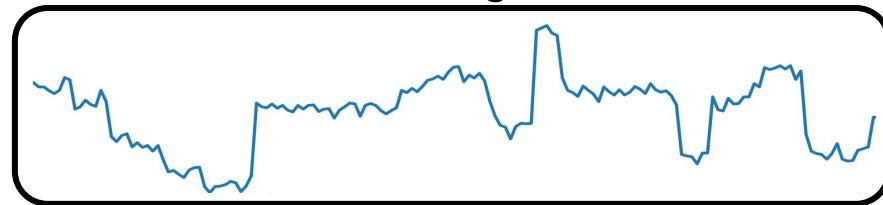
Certain k-mers can be eliminated based on possible transitions



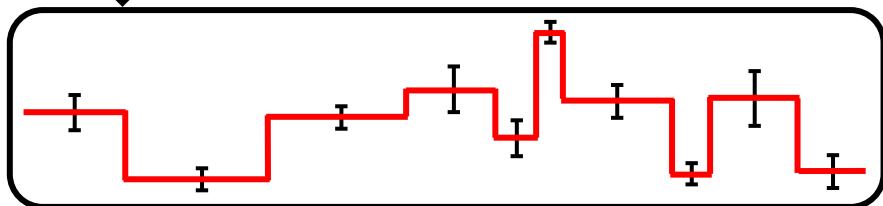
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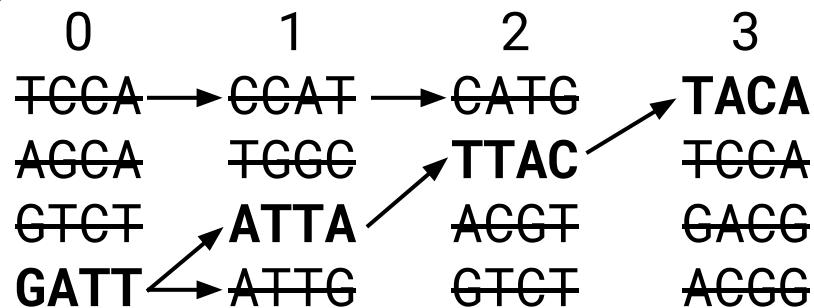
Raw Signal



Events

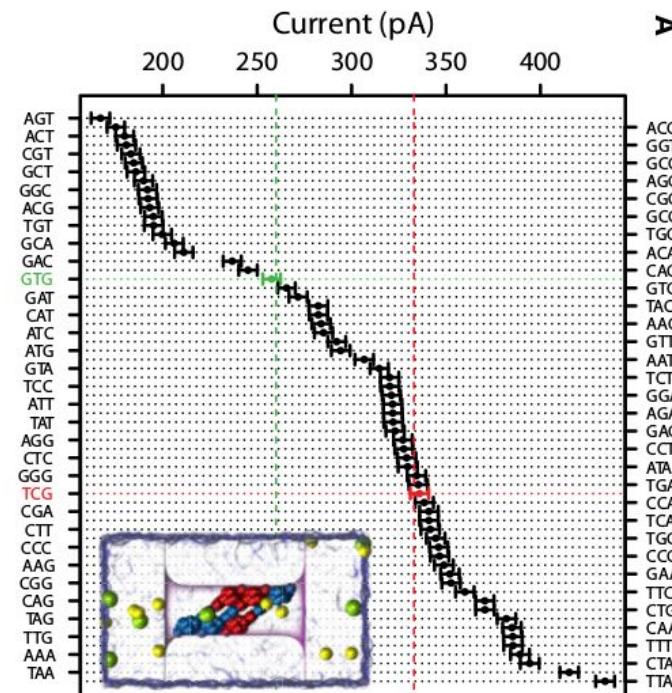


Possible k-mers



**GATTACA**

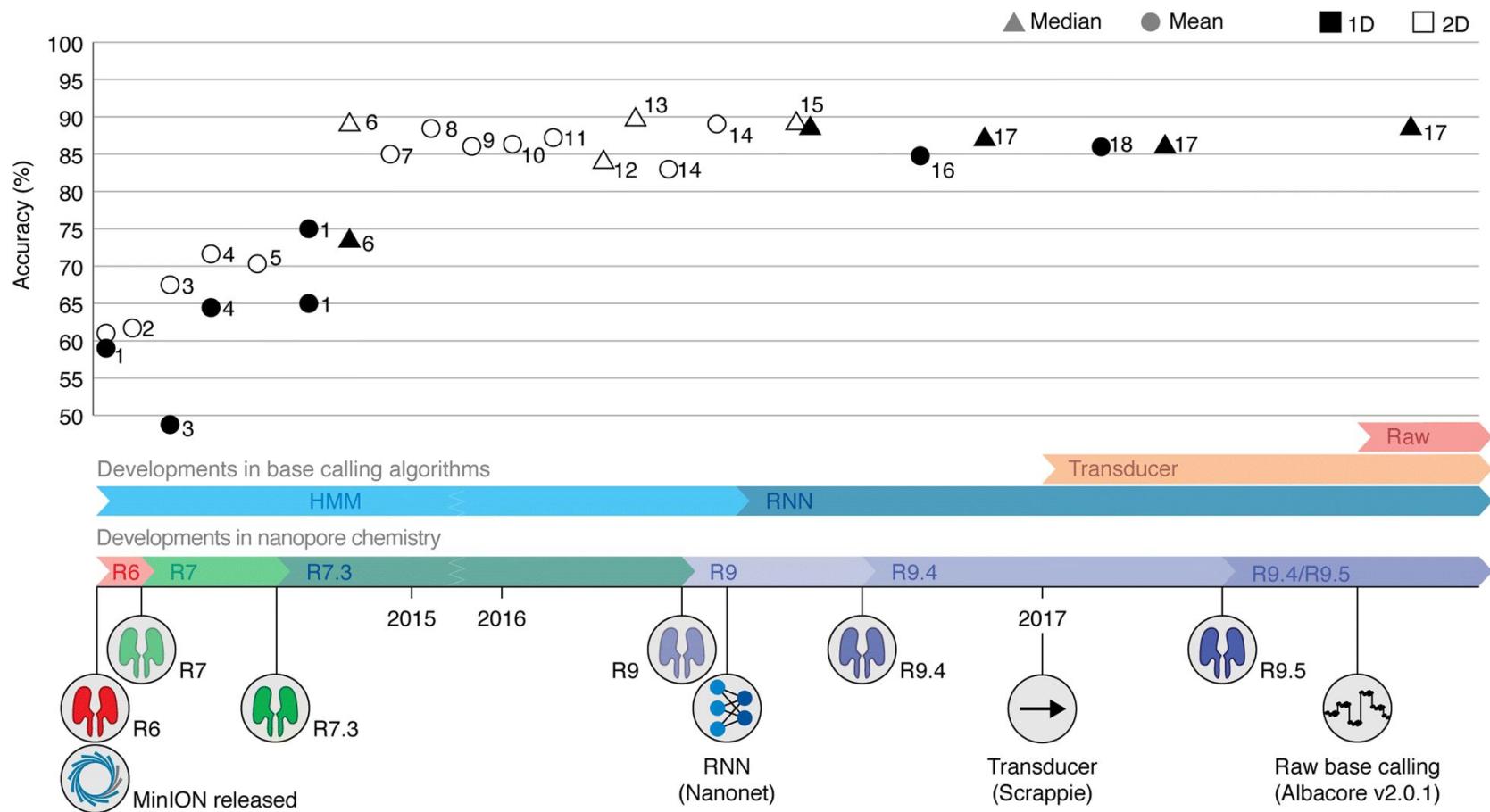
Final sequence determined  
by most probable k-mers



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# Basecaller/Pore Timeline

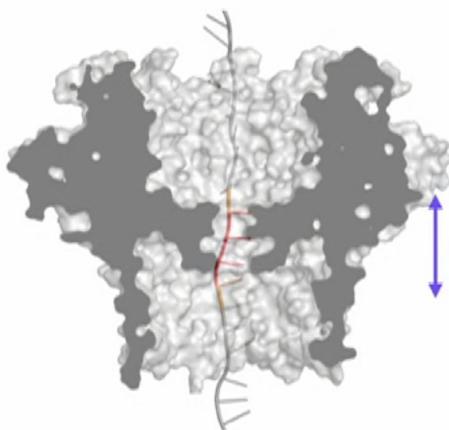
Development of both pore chemistry and basecalling algorithms is responsible for improvement in accuracy



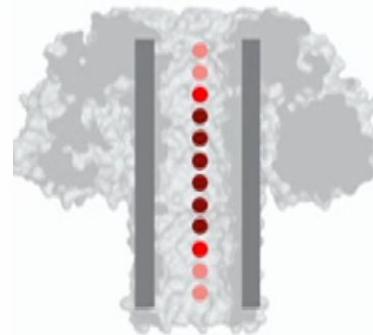
*From squiggle to basepair: computational approaches for improving nanopore sequencing read accuracy*  
Rang et al (2018) Genome Biology. <https://doi.org/10.1186/s13059-018-1462-9>

# New Pore Chemistries

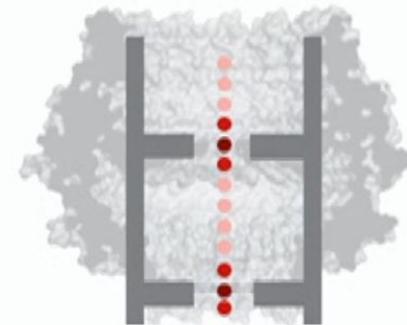
ONT is developing alternate pore chemistries to improve accuracy, particularly for homopolymers



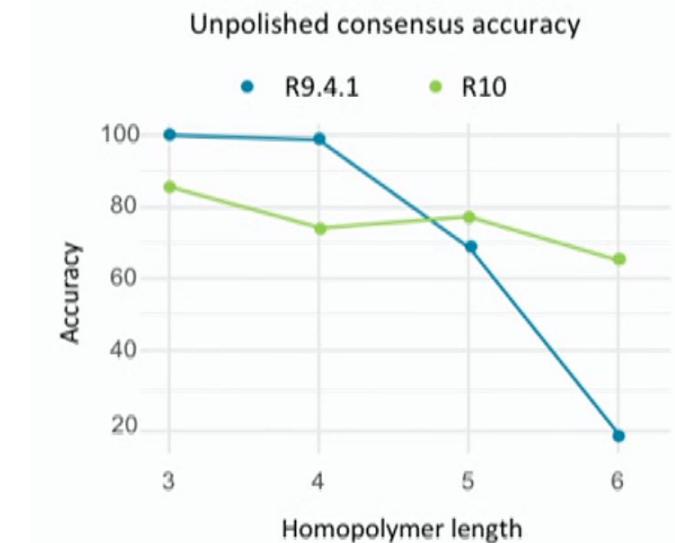
Standard pore  
chemistry  
“R9”



Pore with long  
reader head  
Lysenin –  
“R8”



Multiple points of  
contribution  
“R10”



From 2018 London Calling Keynote  
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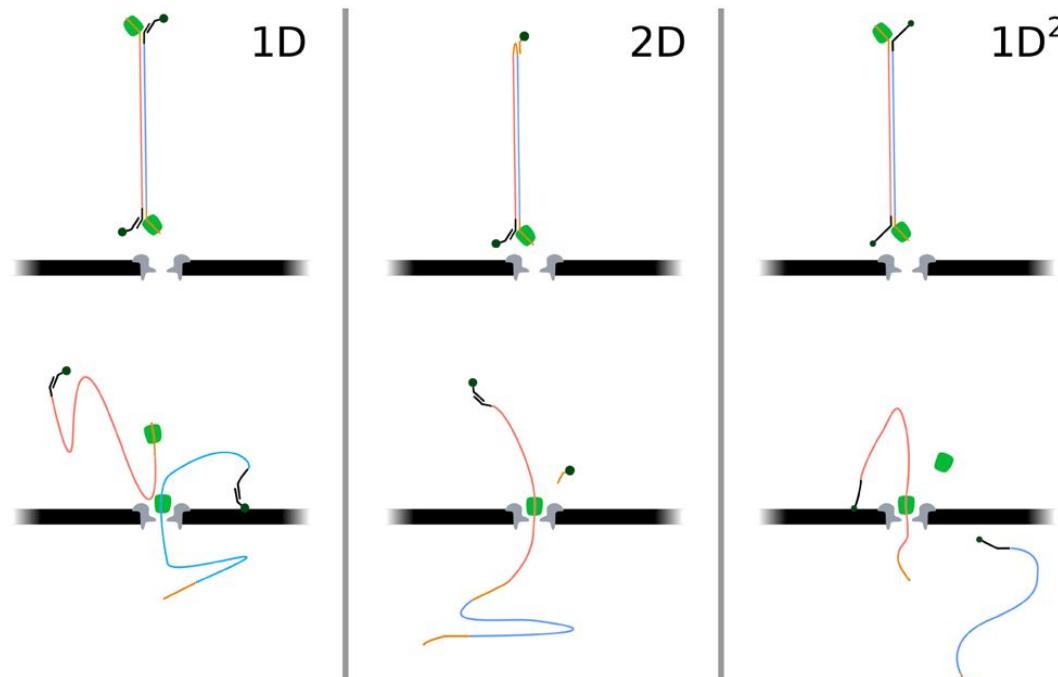
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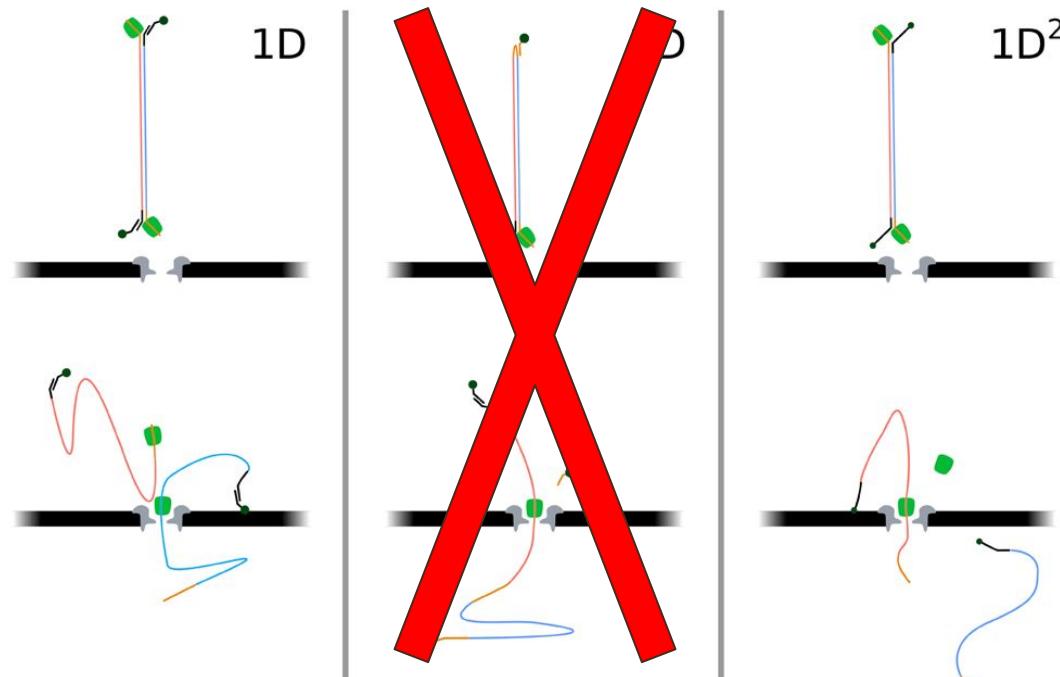
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# More Throughput



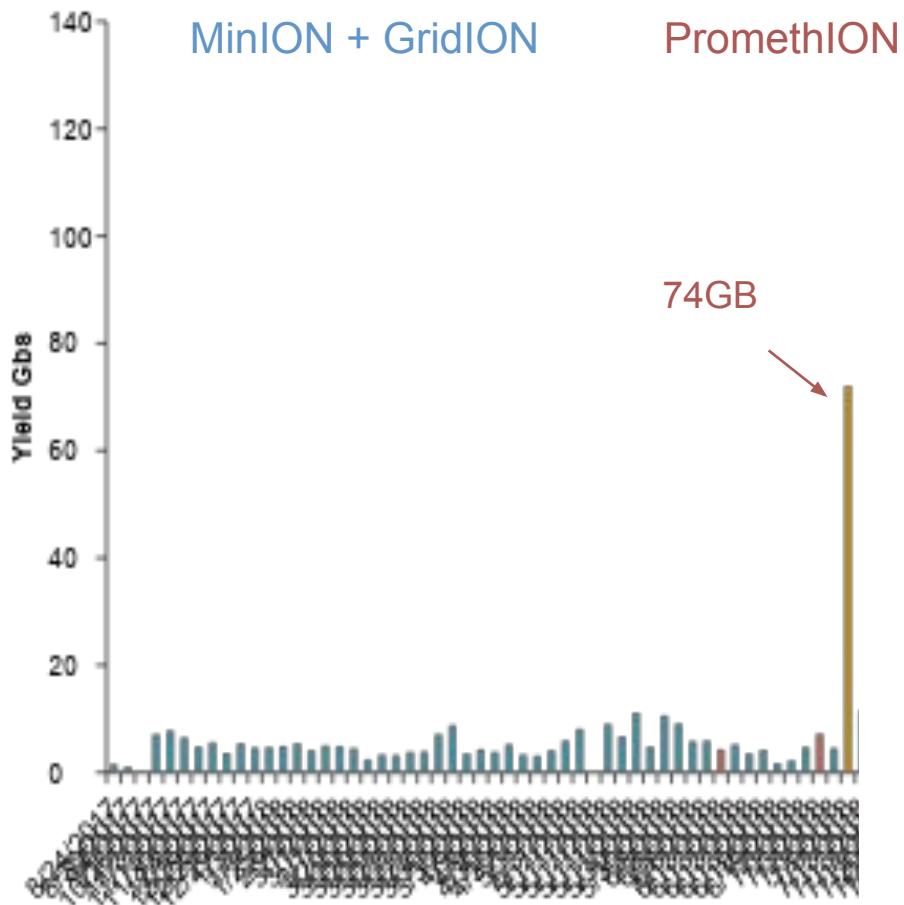
**MinION**  
Quick Mobile  
Sequencing  
\$1k / instrument  
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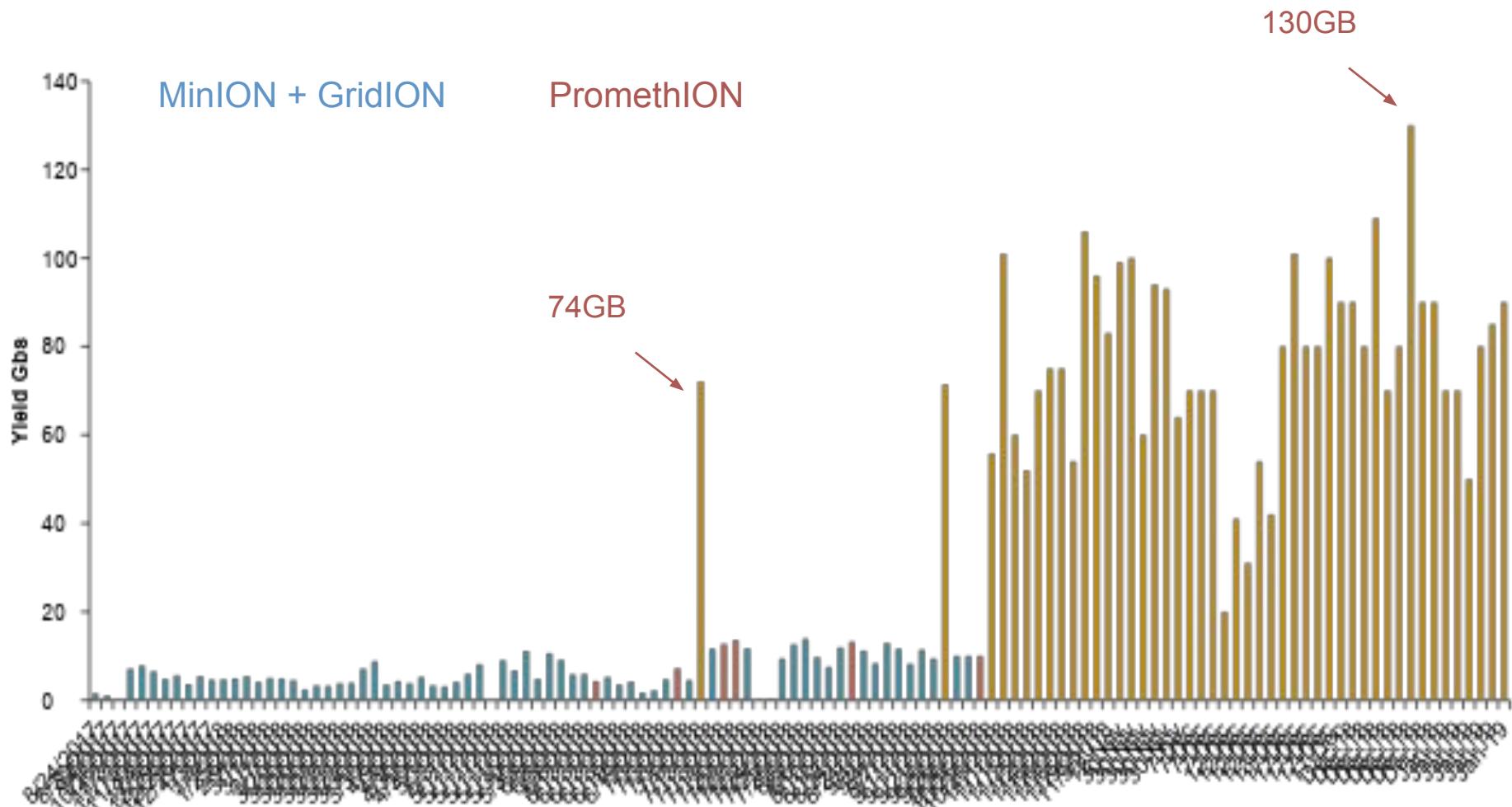
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Part of collaboration  
between JHU and CSHL  
to sequence 100 tomato  
genomes in 100 days

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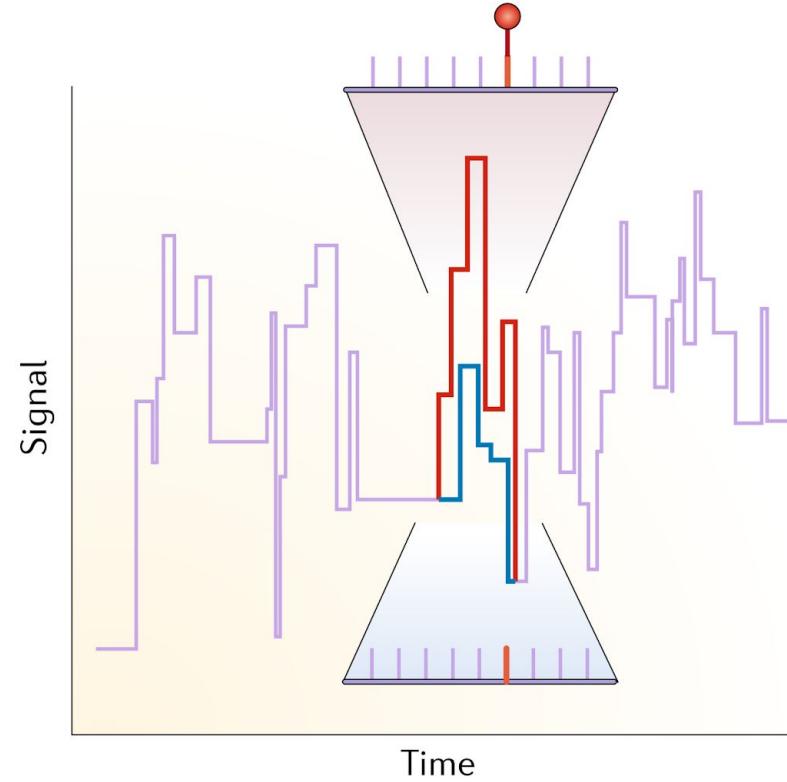
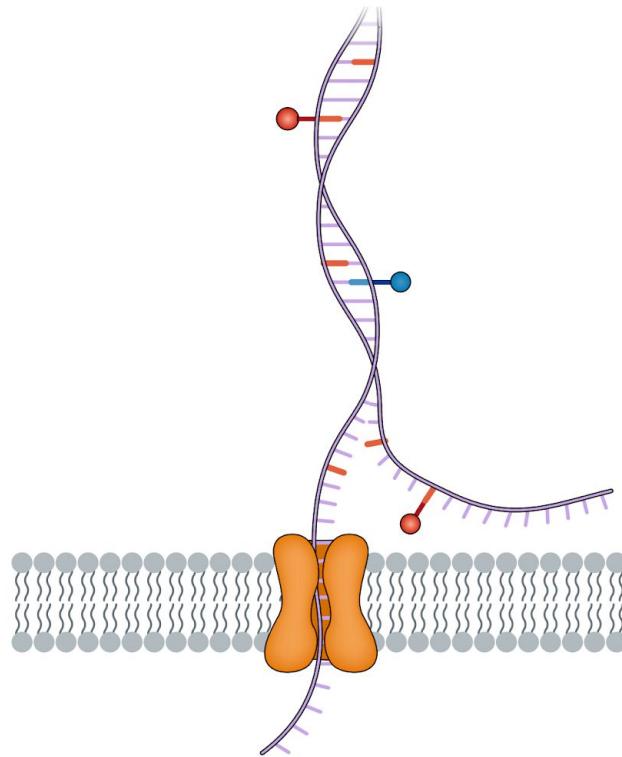
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# DNA Modification Detection

Like PacBio, ONT can detect methylation from raw signal

- Or any other modification that changes ionic current



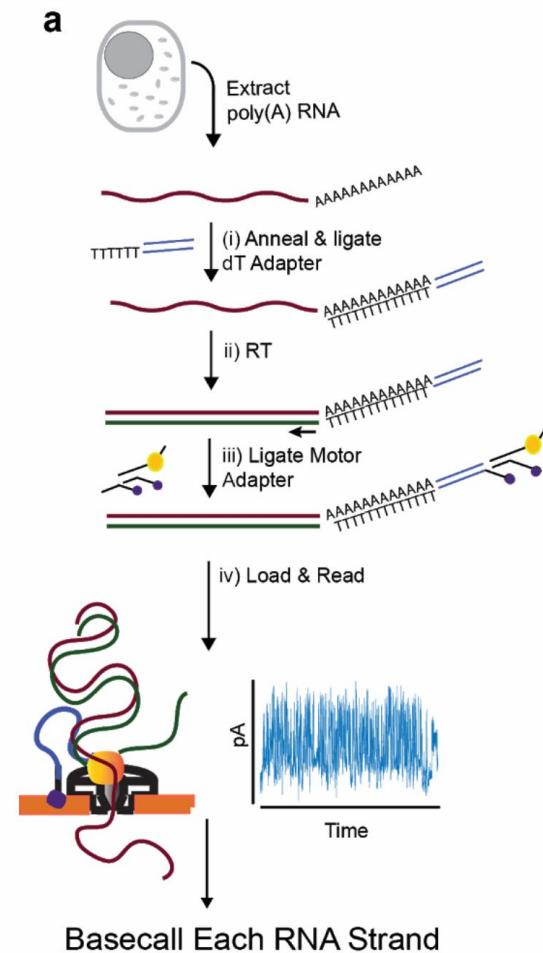
Piercing the dark matter: bioinformatics of long-range sequencing and mapping  
Sedlazeck et al. (2018) *Nature Reviews Genetics*. 19:329

# Direct RNA-seq

Standard RNA sequencing (RNA-seq) requires creation of complementary DNA (cDNA)

ONT recently introduced direct RNA sequencing

Allows detection of RNA modifications, and potentially secondary structure



Nanopore native RNA sequencing of a human poly(A) transcriptome  
Workman et al. *BioRxiv* (<https://www.biorxiv.org/content/10.1101/459529v1>)

# Less Throughput (coming soon)



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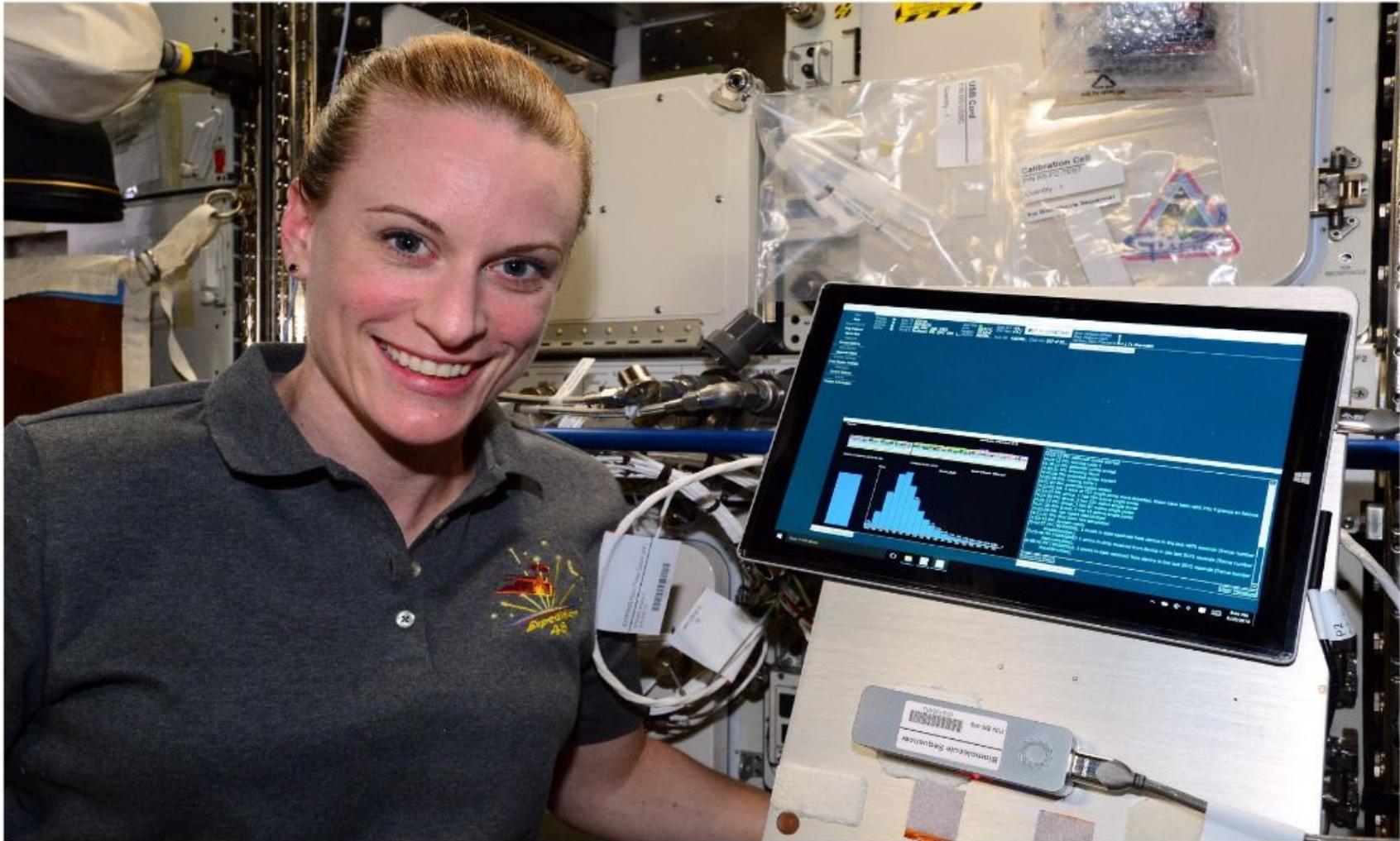
- An adapter for MinION for smaller tests or experiments
- Single-use, on-demand, cost efficient sequencing
- Suitable for quality checks, amplicons, smaller genomes, targeted regions, or those interested in diagnostics/other tests
- [MinIT](#) available to support IT/software needs



## SmidgION

- Designed to be our smallest sequencing device so far
- Same nanopore sensing technology as MinION and PromethION
- Designed for use with a smartphone in any location

# Extremely Portable Sequencing!



Kate Rubins sequencing DNA on the ISS

# Ebola Surveillance

## LETTER

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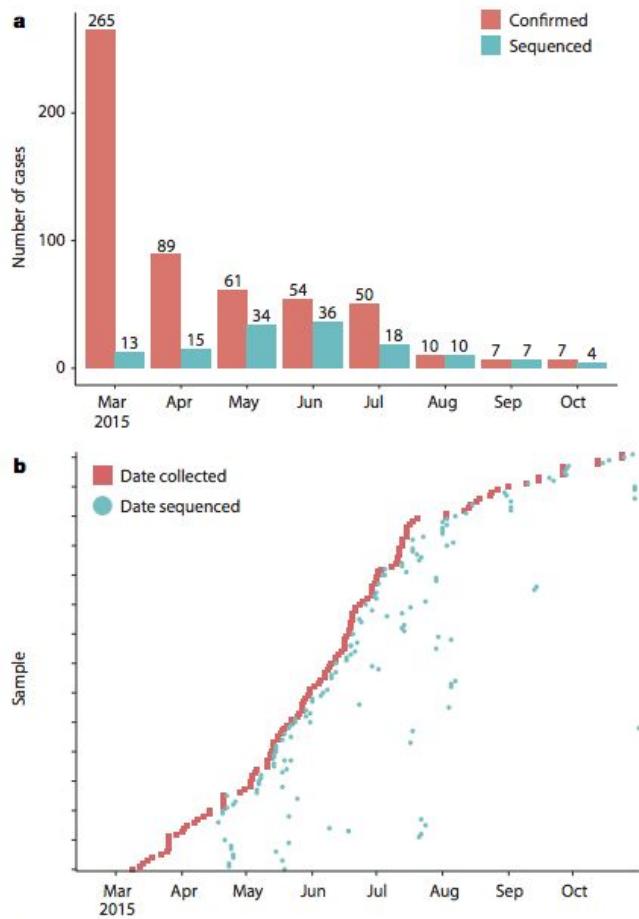
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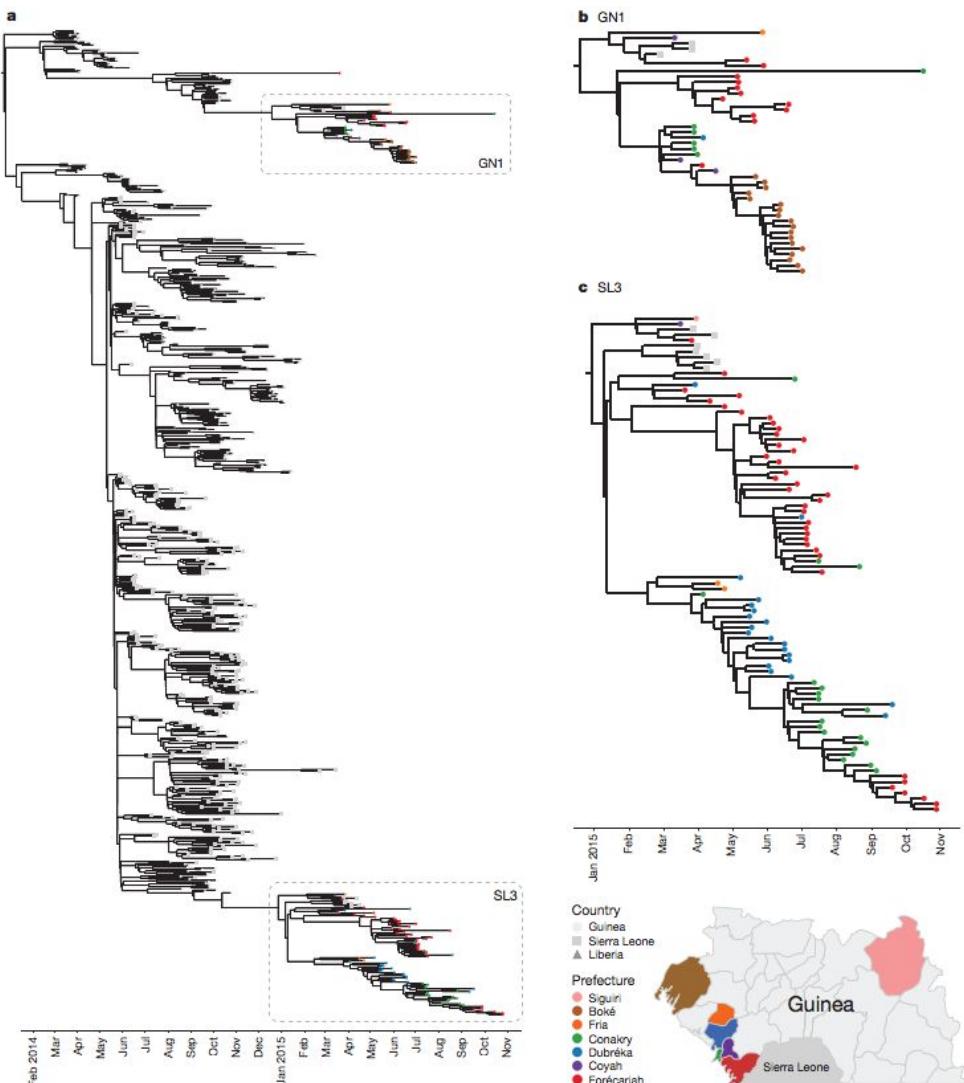


**Figure 1 | Deployment of the portable genome surveillance system in Guinea.** **a**, We were able to pack all instruments, reagents and disposable consumables within aircraft baggage. **b**, We initially established the genomic surveillance laboratory in Donka Hospital, Conakry, Guinea. **c**, Later we moved the laboratory to a dedicated sequencing laboratory in Coyah prefecture. **d**, Within this laboratory we separated the sequencing instruments (on the left) from the PCR bench (to the right). An uninterruptible power supply can be seen in the middle that provides power to the thermocycler. (Photographs taken by J.Q. and S.D.)

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**Figure 2 | Real-time genomics surveillance in context of the Guinea Ebola virus disease epidemic.** a, Here we show the number of reported cases of Ebola virus disease in Guinea (red) in relation to the number of EBOV new patient samples ( $n = 137$ , in blue) generated during this study. b, For each of the 142 sequenced samples, we show the relationship between sample collection date (red) and the date of sequencing (blue). Twenty-eight samples were sequenced within three days of the sample being taken, and sixty-eight samples within a week. Larger gaps represent retrospective sequencing of cases to provide additional epidemiological context.



**Figure 3 | Evolution of EBOV over the course of the Ebola virus disease epidemic.** a, Time-scaled phylogeny of 603 published sequences with 125 high quality sequences from this study. The shape of nodes on the tree demonstrates country of origin. Our results show Guinean samples (coloured circles) belong to two previously identified lineages, GN1 and SL3. b, GN1 is deeply branching with early epidemic samples. c, SL3 is

related to cases identified in Sierra Leone. Samples are frequently clustered by geography (indicated by colour of circle) and this provides information as to origins of new introductions, such as in the Boké epidemic in May 2015. Map figure adapted from SimpleMaps website (<http://simplemaps.com/resources/svg-gn>).

# ReadUntil Sequencing

ONT machines can stop sequencing a read and immediately start on another in real-time

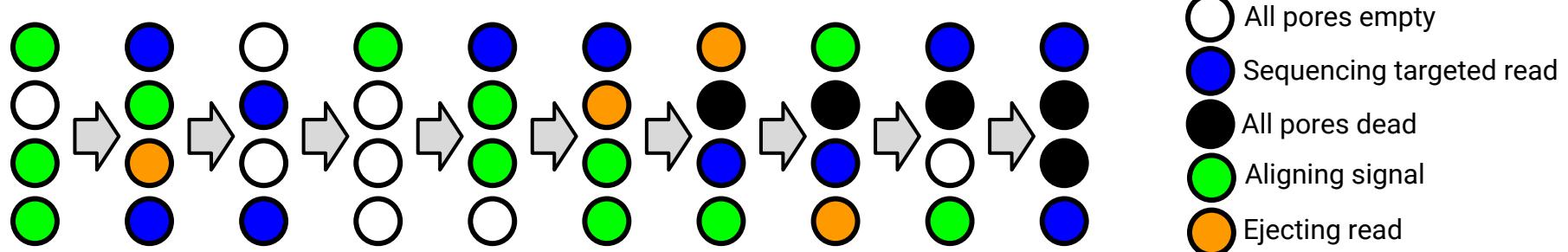
- Each channel has four pores, non-active pores have reads docked

Can potentially avoid sequencing unwanted reads

- For example: reads that align to the human genome, reads that *do not* align to a database of pathogens, reads that align to a region already sequenced to a desired depth

MinION has up to 512 active channels, each reading 450 bp/sec

- Actual number of active channels is variable



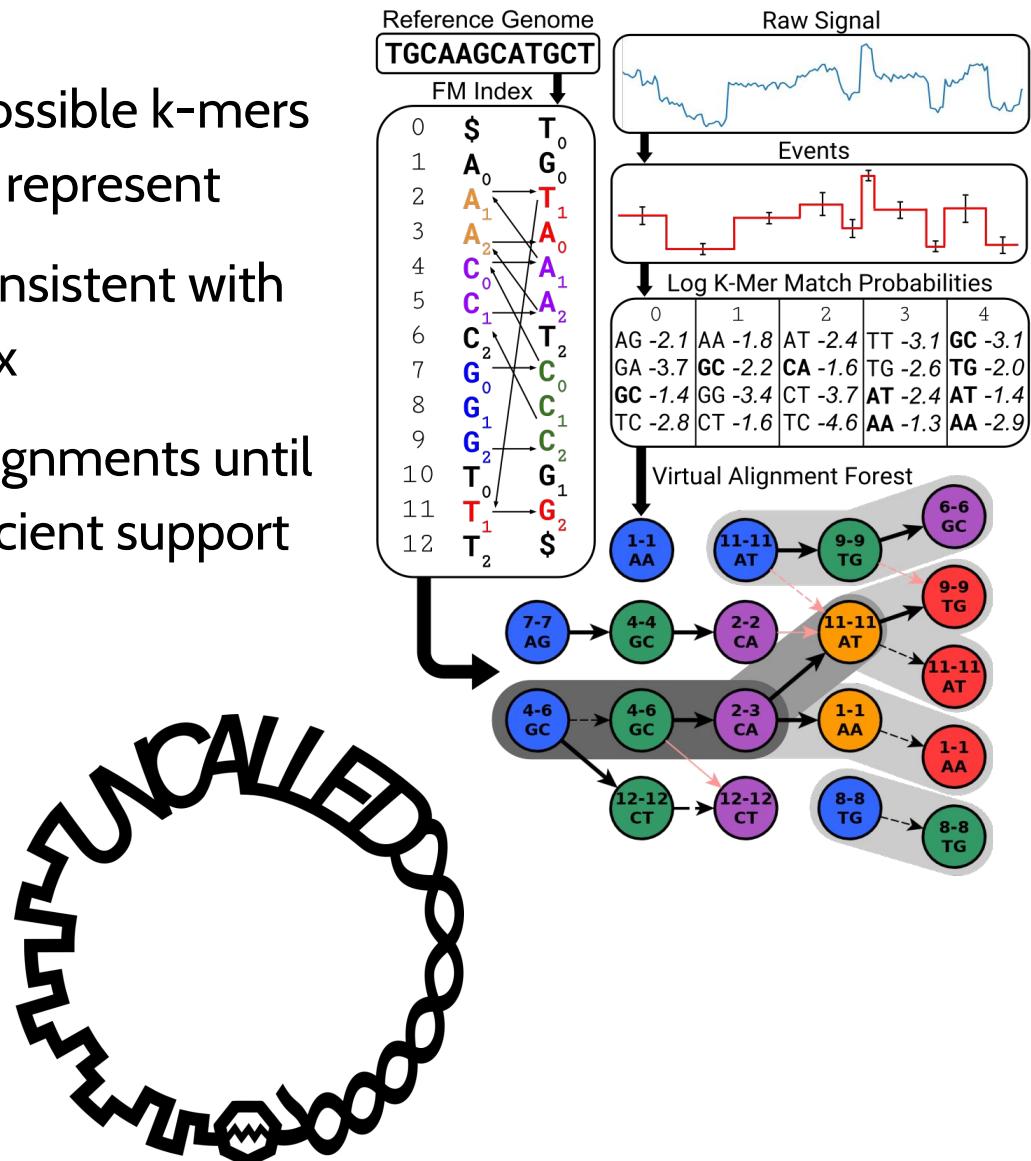
# Utility for Nanopore Current ALignment to Large Expanses of DNA

AKA UNCALLED

- Probabilistically considers all possible k-mers that the streaming signal could represent
- Finds seeds in the reference consistent with those k-mers using an FM index
- Clusters seeds into potential alignments until one or more locations has sufficient support

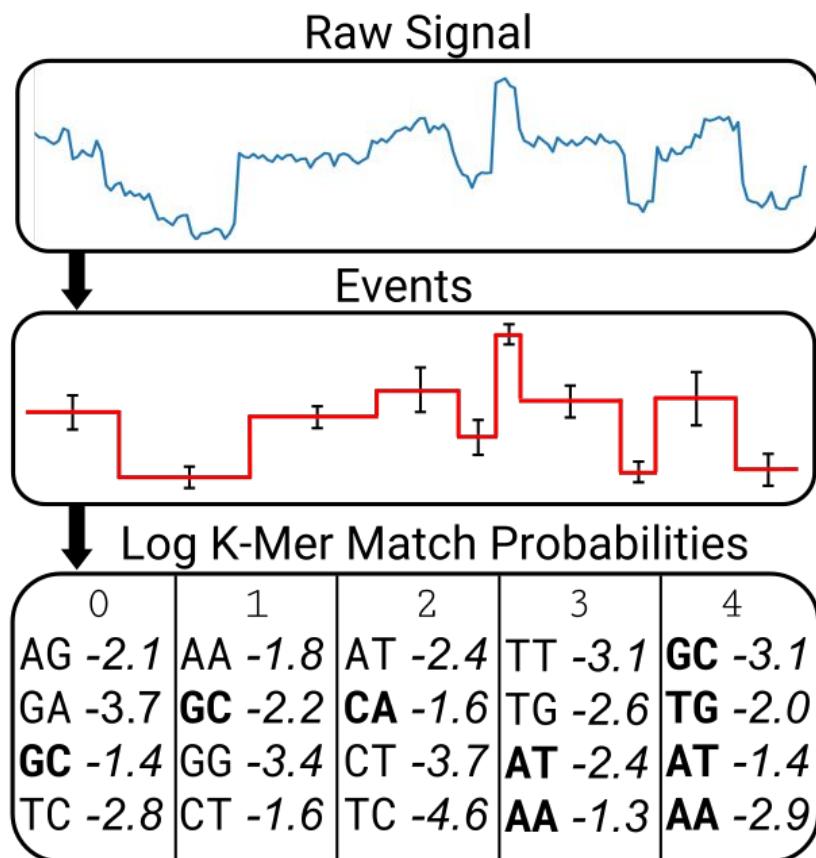
Goal: align reads as fast as ONT machines can sequence them

Started in 2017 as my final project for this class!  
(with Taher Mun and Yunfan Fan)



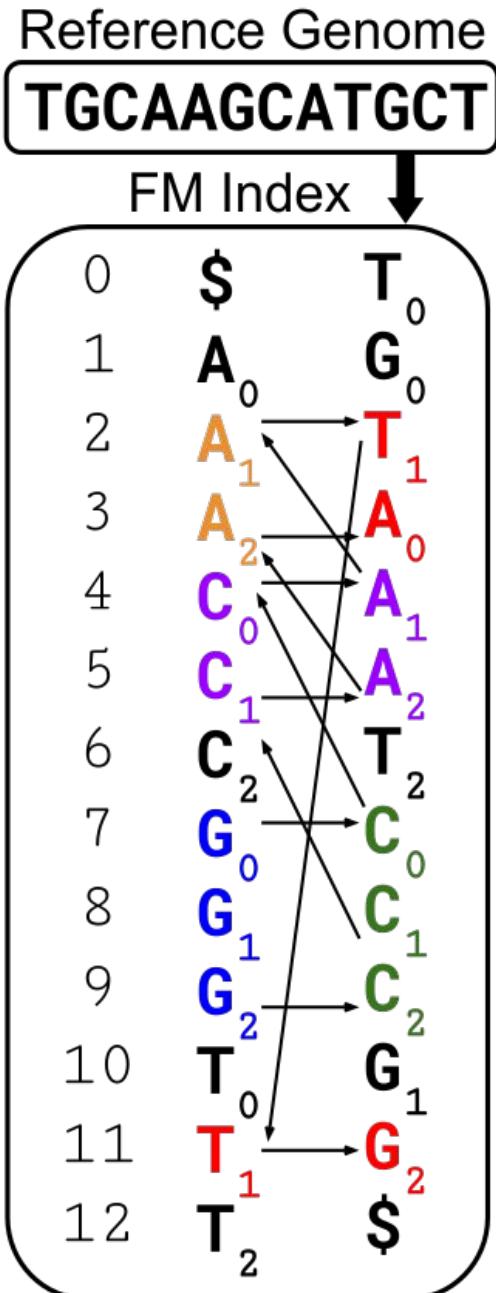
# UNCALLED Signal Processing

- Stretches of similar signal are collapsed into **events**
  - Averages out noise and reduces amount of signal to process
- Ideally each event represents a single k-mer, but many errors occur
  - ~50% of events are **stays**
  - ~1% of events are **skips**
  - A read's event length is usually ~2x greater than its basepair length
- Probability of each event matching every k-mer is then computed
  - Expected current for each k-mer modeled by normal distribution
  - ONT releases 6-mer models (I use 5-mers)



# FM Index

- Used by many aligners such as BWA, Bowtie, and HISAT
- Finds exact string matches of arbitrary length
- Time to align is constant with respect to reference size
- Very small memory footprint
- UNCALLED uses BWA's FM index
  - Interchangeable - started with my own implementation



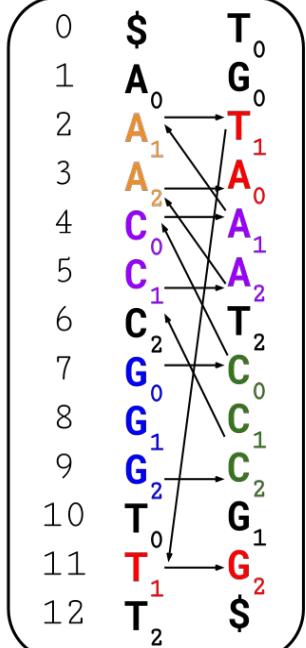
You will learn more about this soon!

# UNCALLED Algorithm

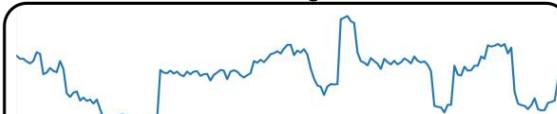
Reference Genome

**TGCAAGCATGCT**

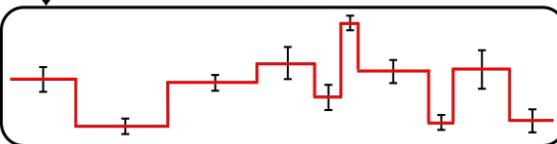
FM Index



Raw Signal



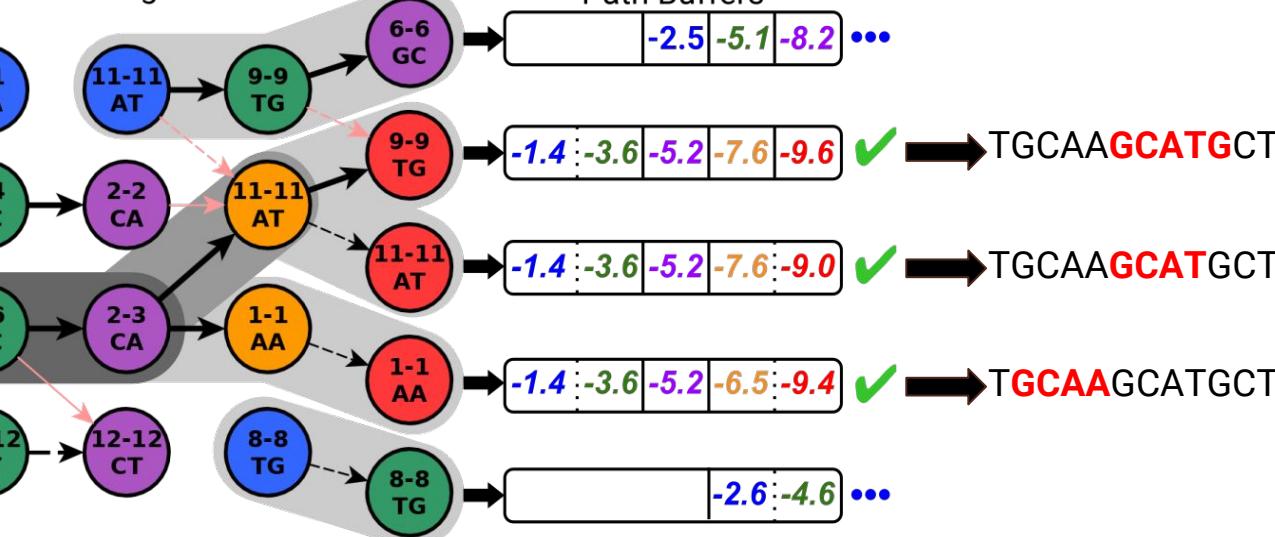
Events



Log K-Mer Match Probabilities

	0	1	2	3	4
AG	-2.1	AA	-1.8	AT	-2.4
GA	-3.7	GC	-2.2	CA	-1.6
GC	-1.4	GG	-3.4	CT	-3.7
TC	-2.8	CT	-1.6	TC	-4.6
				AA	-1.3
				AA	-2.9

Virtual Alignment Forest



Conceptually all possible paths through the FM index form a forest of trees

Traversing trees is cache-inefficient. Instead every path is stored in a fixed-length buffer

- Stores cumulative log probabilities/event types
- Whole buffer must be copied when a path splits

Once a buffer is full:

- Report a seed alignment
- Erase oldest event, making room for next
- Buffers keep rolling across read until no possible extension exists

# *E. coli* Alignments

Aligned 21K *E. coli* reads to the *E. coli* reference genome

- Reads provided by Winston Timp's lab

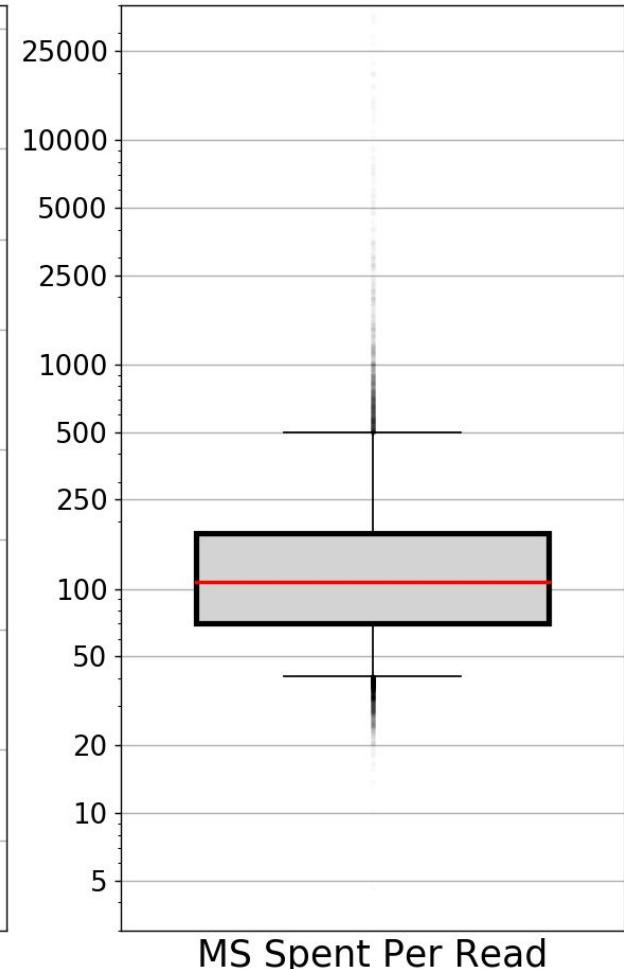
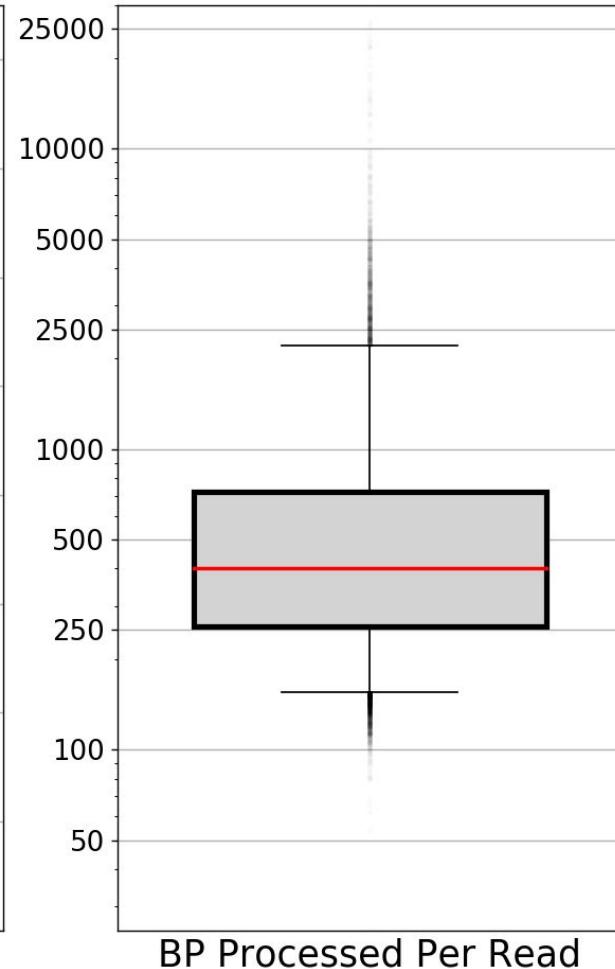
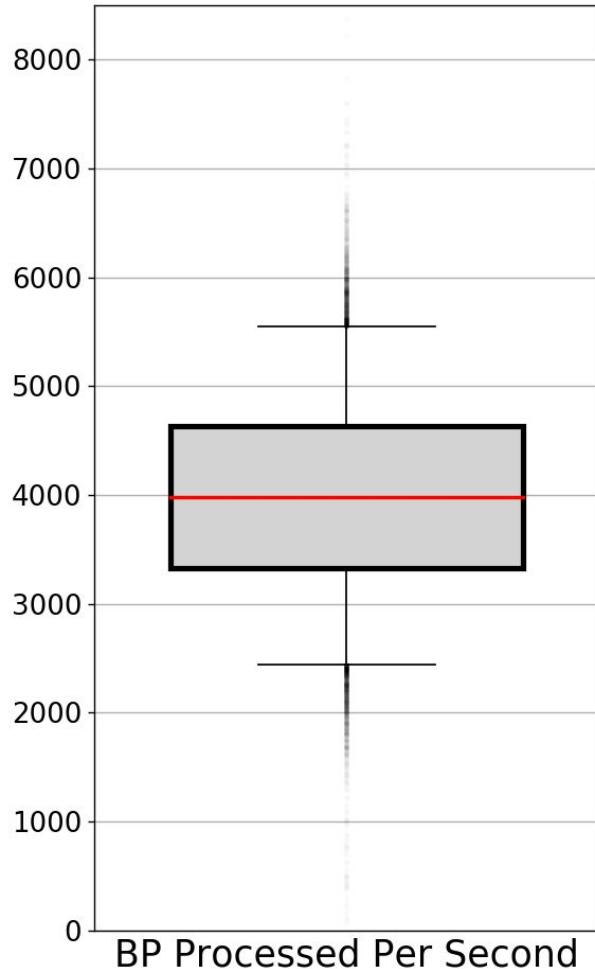
Used minimap2 alignments as ground truth

- FPs and TNs include reads that failed to be basecalled or were unaligned according to minimap2
- Some “false positives” could be alignments found by UNCALLED that minimap2 couldn't find

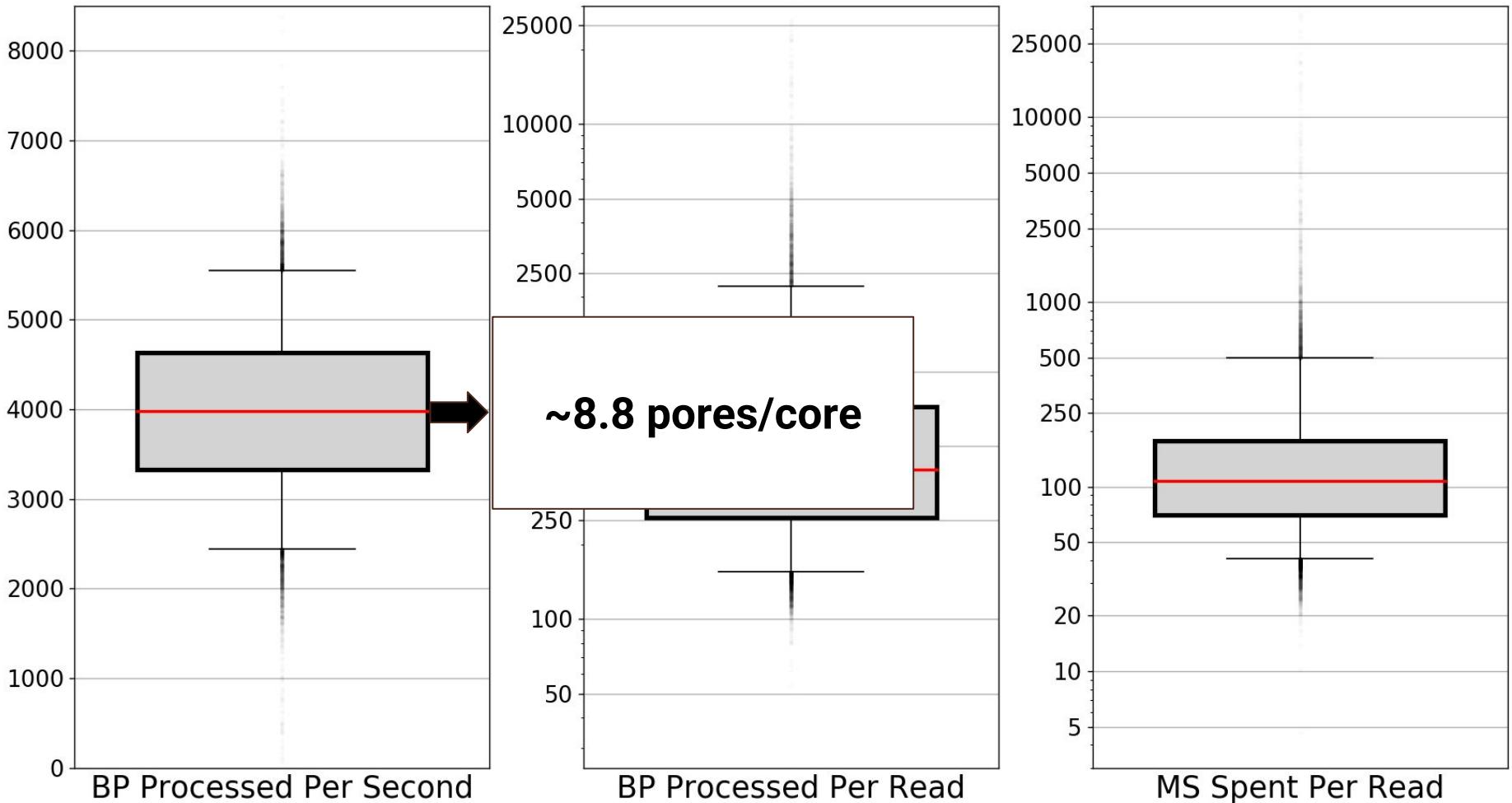
	P	N
T	81.82%	7.99%
F	1.15%	9.04%

50% of “FPs” were  
unaligned by m.m.2  
or not basecalled

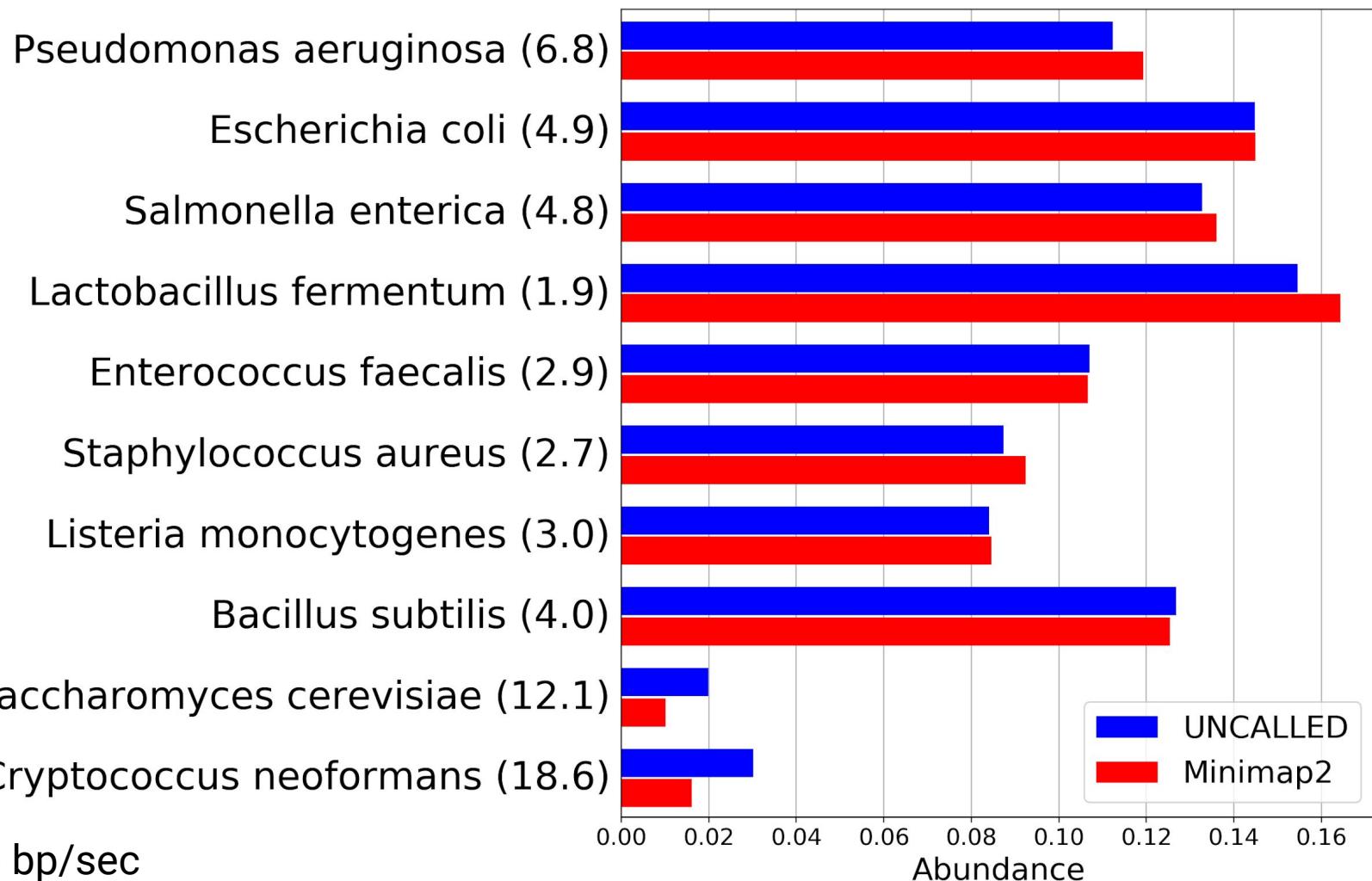
# *E. coli* Timing



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# Mock Community Abundance Estimates



1,136 bp/sec

~2.5 pores/core

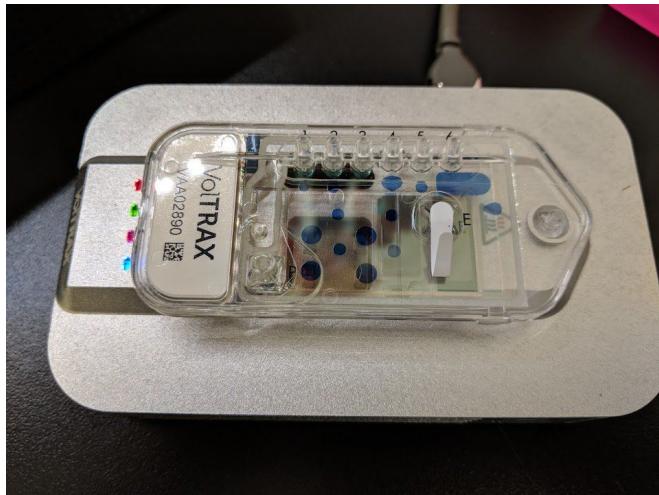
3.5x slower than E. coli

reference 12.9x larger

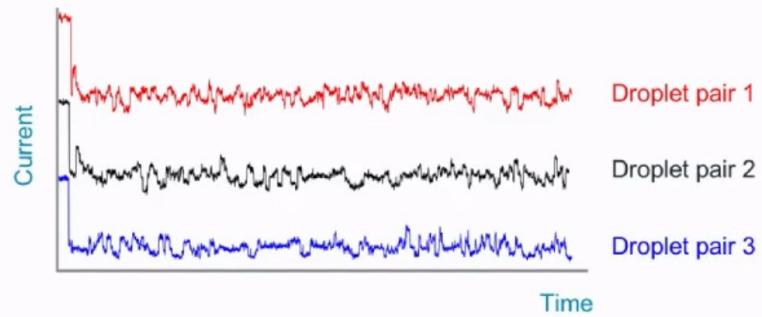
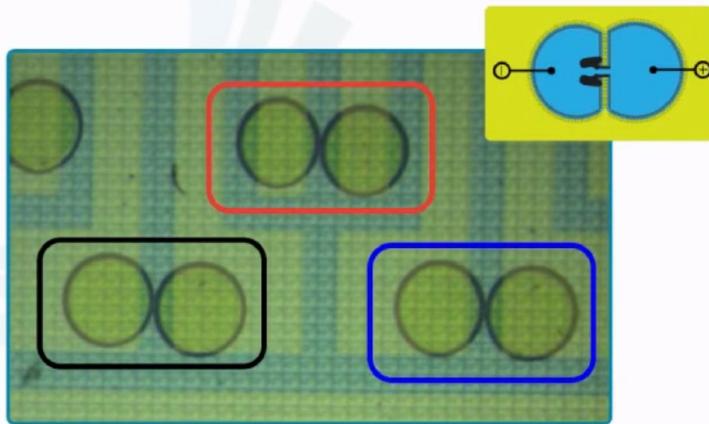
# Class Project

- UNCALLED has come a long way since the class project
- How we split the work between the three of us:
  - Collecting/parsing raw nanopore signal data
  - Signal processing/k-mer matching
  - FM Index construction/basic search algorithm
- All of us brainstormed how the algorithm should work
- We did not have a functional aligner in the end
  - Created a signal-based FM index (later turned out to be unnecessary)
  - Figured out how to compute event/k-mer match probabilities (but messed up signal normalization)
  - Could produce seed alignments based on a very simple algorithm (but had no way to filter the many many false positives)
- Despite the incompleteness it was a successful project!

# VolTRAX - Library Prep (+ sequencing?)



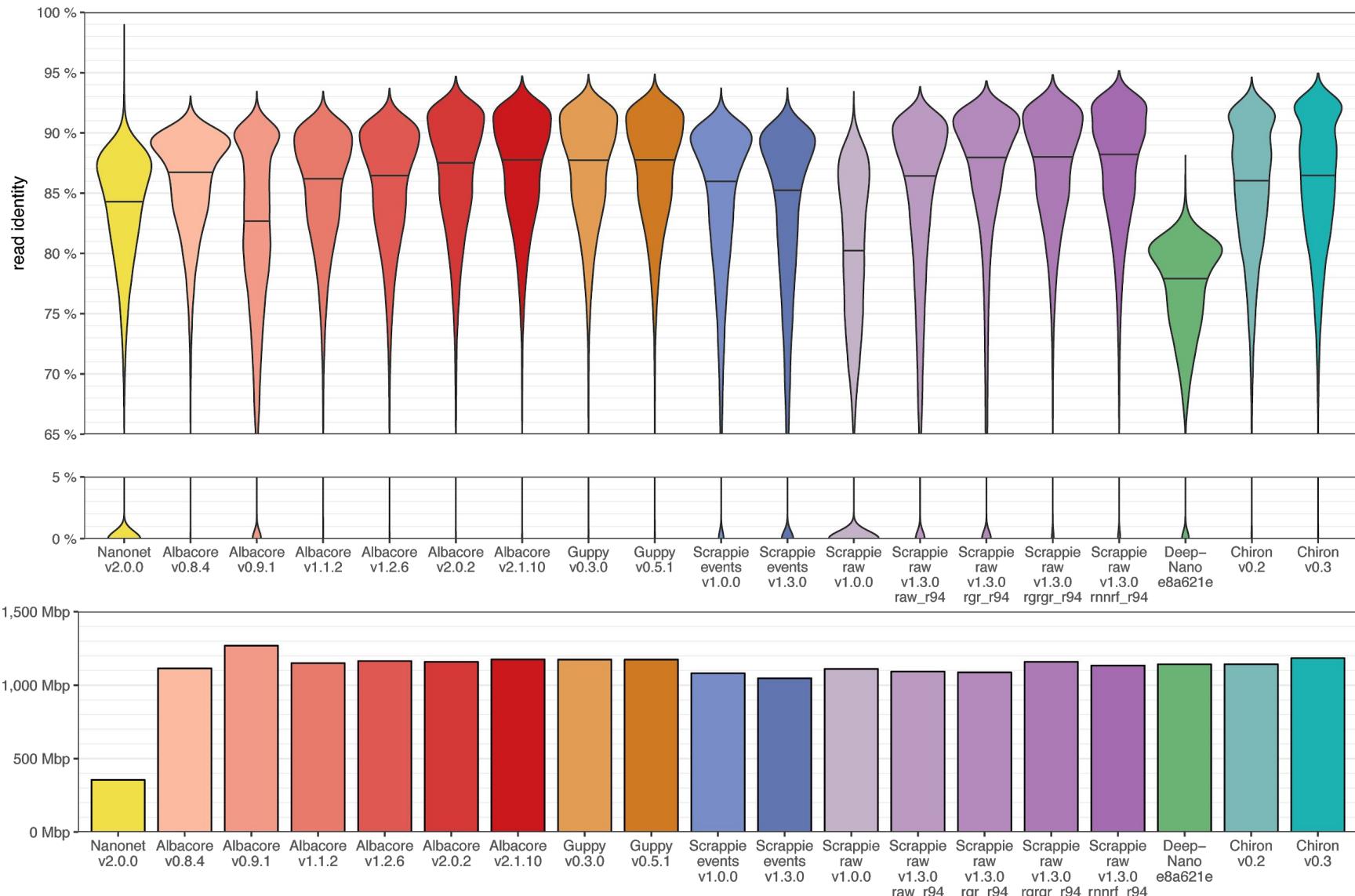
- 3.6 kb DNA, standard ligation library preparation
- Sample + pores in one droplet
- Pores inserted, then library sequenced
- Droplet size ~ 10nL, could be 4.5 nL with current chip



## Proof of concept array demonstrated

- No crosstalk - data taken directly from cartridge
- Wide range of experiments possible
- Will include MinKNOW control and feedback
- Data being collected for model training

# Basecaller Comparison



<https://github.com/rrwick/Basecalling-comparison>

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<https://github.com/schatzlab/appliedgenomics2>

# Questions?