

Read Mapping

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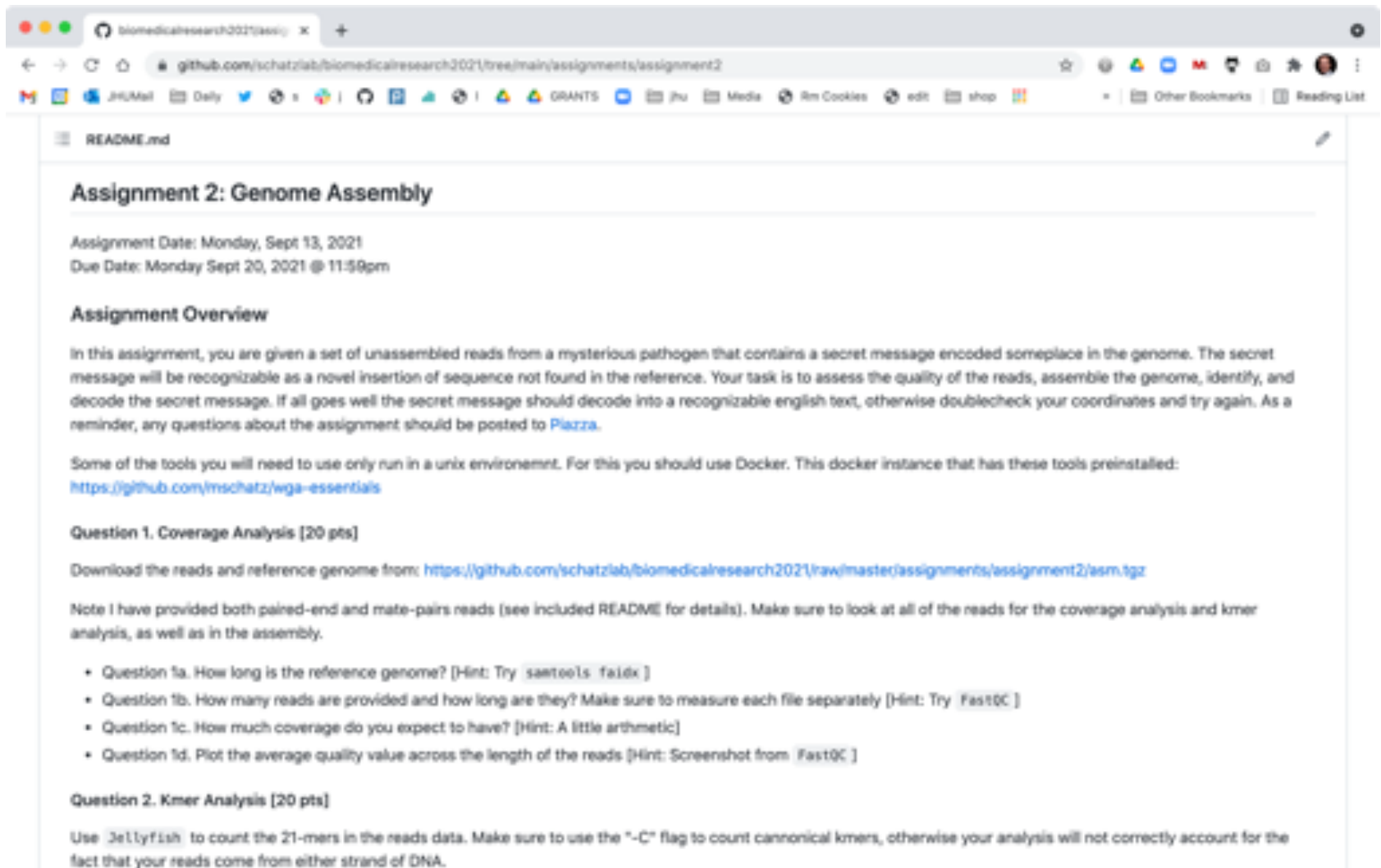
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Lecture 7. Computational Biomedical Research



Assignment 2: Genome Assembly

Due Monday Sept 20 @ 11:59pm



The screenshot shows a web browser displaying a GitHub repository page. The address bar shows the URL: github.com/schatzlab/biomedicalresearch2021/tree/main/assignments/assignment2. The page title is "Assignment 2: Genome Assembly". Below the title, it states: "Assignment Date: Monday, Sept 13, 2021" and "Due Date: Monday Sept 20, 2021 @ 11:59pm". The section "Assignment Overview" describes the task: "In this assignment, you are given a set of unassembled reads from a mysterious pathogen that contains a secret message encoded someplace in the genome. The secret message will be recognizable as a novel insertion of sequence not found in the reference. Your task is to assess the quality of the reads, assemble the genome, identify, and decode the secret message. If all goes well the secret message should decode into a recognizable english text, otherwise doublecheck your coordinates and try again. As a reminder, any questions about the assignment should be posted to Piazza." It also mentions tools and Docker: "Some of the tools you will need to use only run in a unix environment. For this you should use Docker. This docker instance that has these tools preinstalled: <https://github.com/mschatz/wga-essentials>". The section "Question 1. Coverage Analysis [20 pts]" includes instructions to download reads and reference genome from <https://github.com/schatzlab/biomedicalresearch2021/raw/master/assignments/assignment2/asm.tgz> and a note about paired-end and mate-pairs reads. It lists four sub-questions: "Question 1a. How long is the reference genome? [Hint: Try `samtools faidx`]", "Question 1b. How many reads are provided and how long are they? Make sure to measure each file separately [Hint: Try `FastQC`]", "Question 1c. How much coverage do you expect to have? [Hint: A little arithmetic]", and "Question 1d. Plot the average quality value across the length of the reads [Hint: Screenshot from `FastQC`]", "The section "Question 2. Kmer Analysis [20 pts]" instructs to use `Jellyfish` to count 21-mers and to use the `-C` flag to count canonical kmers.

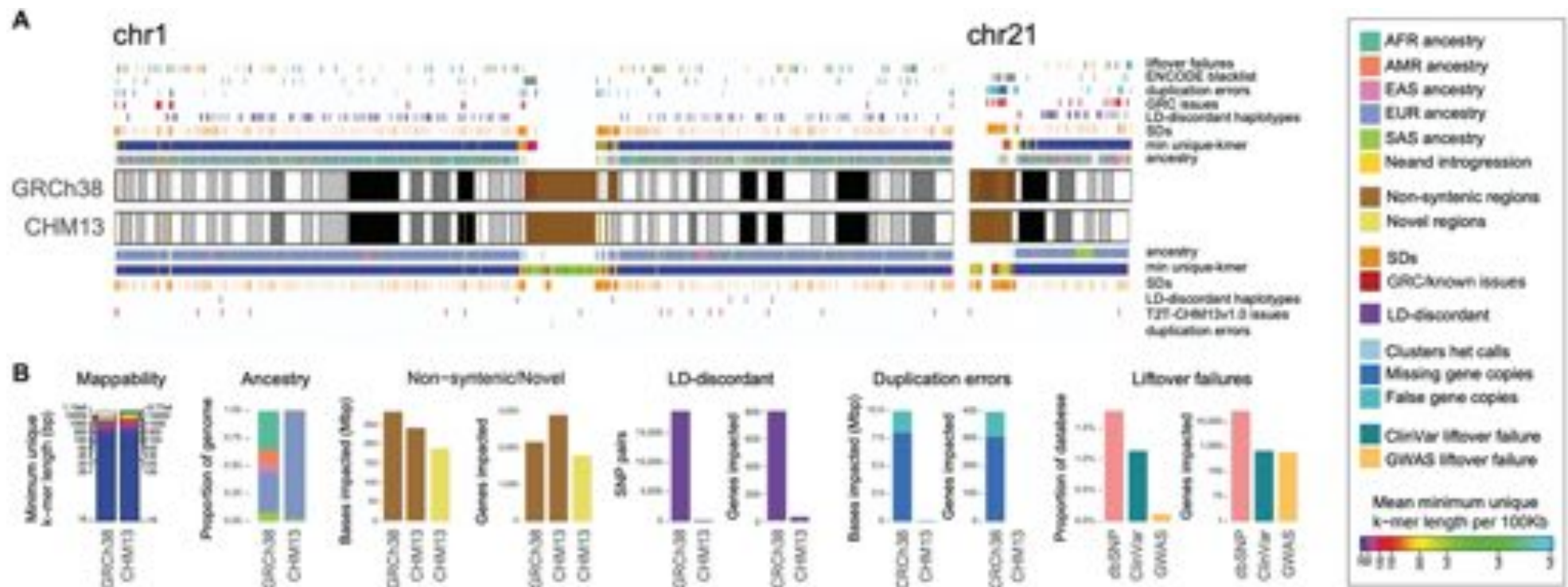
<https://github.com/schatzlab/biomedicalresearch2021>



Assignment 3: Variant Calling

Postponed for 1 week!

The complete sequence of a human genome



CHM13v1.1 genome size is **3.057 Gbp with zero Ns**

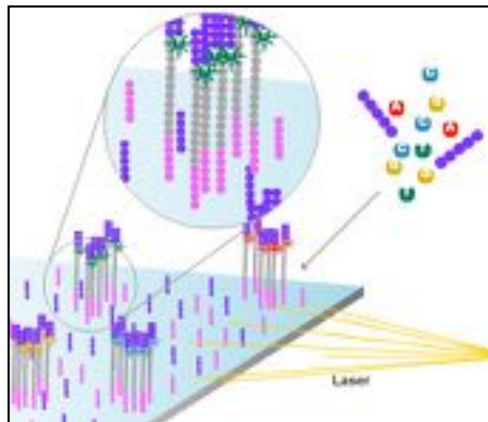
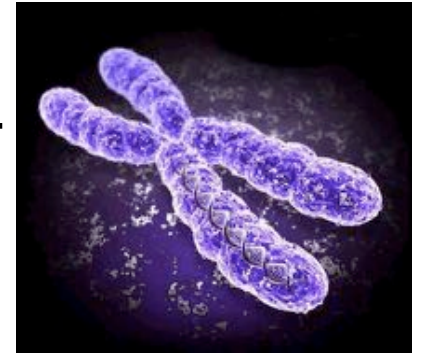
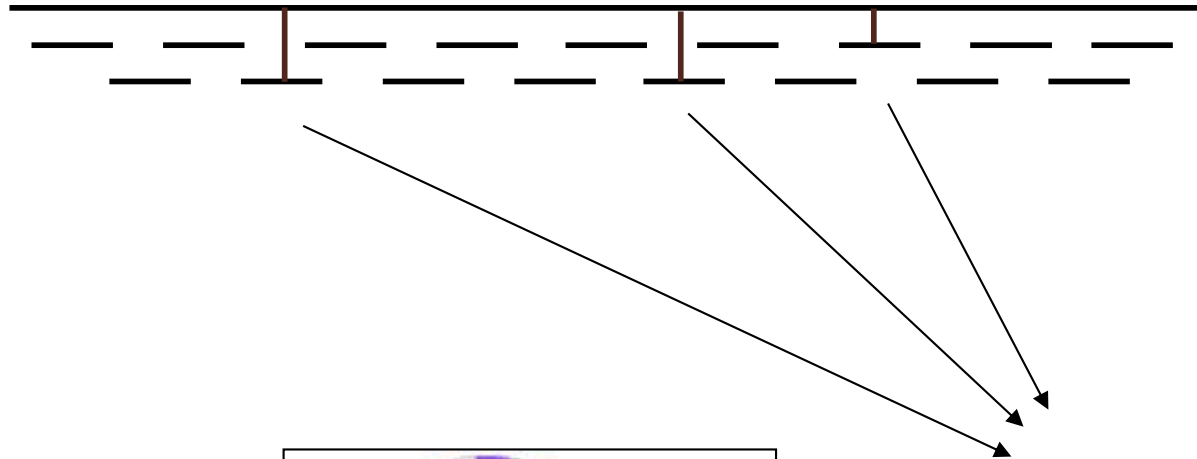
Every chromosome is telomere-to-telomere, quality estimated >Q70
~190 Mbp (3–6%) of new sequence vs. GRCh38, fixes thousands of errors

A complete reference genome improves analysis of human genetic variation

Aganezov, S*, Yan, SM*, Soto, DC*, Kirsche, M*, Zarate, S*, et al. (2021) bioRxiv. doi: <https://doi.org/10.1101/2021.07.12.452063>

Personal Genomics

How does your genome compare to the reference?



Heart Disease

Cancer

Presidential Smile

Searching for GATTACA

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- Strategy I: Brute Force

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Match at offset 2

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No match at offset 3...

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No match at offset 9 <- Checking each possible position takes time

Brute Force Analysis



- Brute Force:
 - At every possible offset in the genome:
 - Do all of the characters of the query match?
- Analysis
 - Simple, easy to understand
 - Genome length = n [3B]
 - Query length = m [7]
 - Comparisons: $(n-m+1) * m$ [21B]
- Overall runtime: $O(nm)$
 - [How long would it take if we double the genome size, read length?]
 - [How long would it take if we double both?]

Brute Force Reflections

Why check every position?

- GATTACA can't possibly start at position 15

[WHY?]

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- Improve runtime to $O(n + m)$

[3B + 7]

- If we double both, it just takes twice as long
- Knuth-Morris-Pratt, 1977
- Boyer-Moyer, 1977, 1991

- For one-off scans, this is the best we can do (optimal performance)

- We have to read every character of the genome, and every character of the query
- For short queries, runtime is dominated by the length of the genome

How can we make this go faster?

Lets play the hi/lo game

Hi/Lo Game

Im thinking of a secret number ...

Call out a number, and I'll tell you if you guessed it, or are too hi or too low

Just like grade school

Except my secret number is between 1 and 1,000,000 😊

Possibilities:

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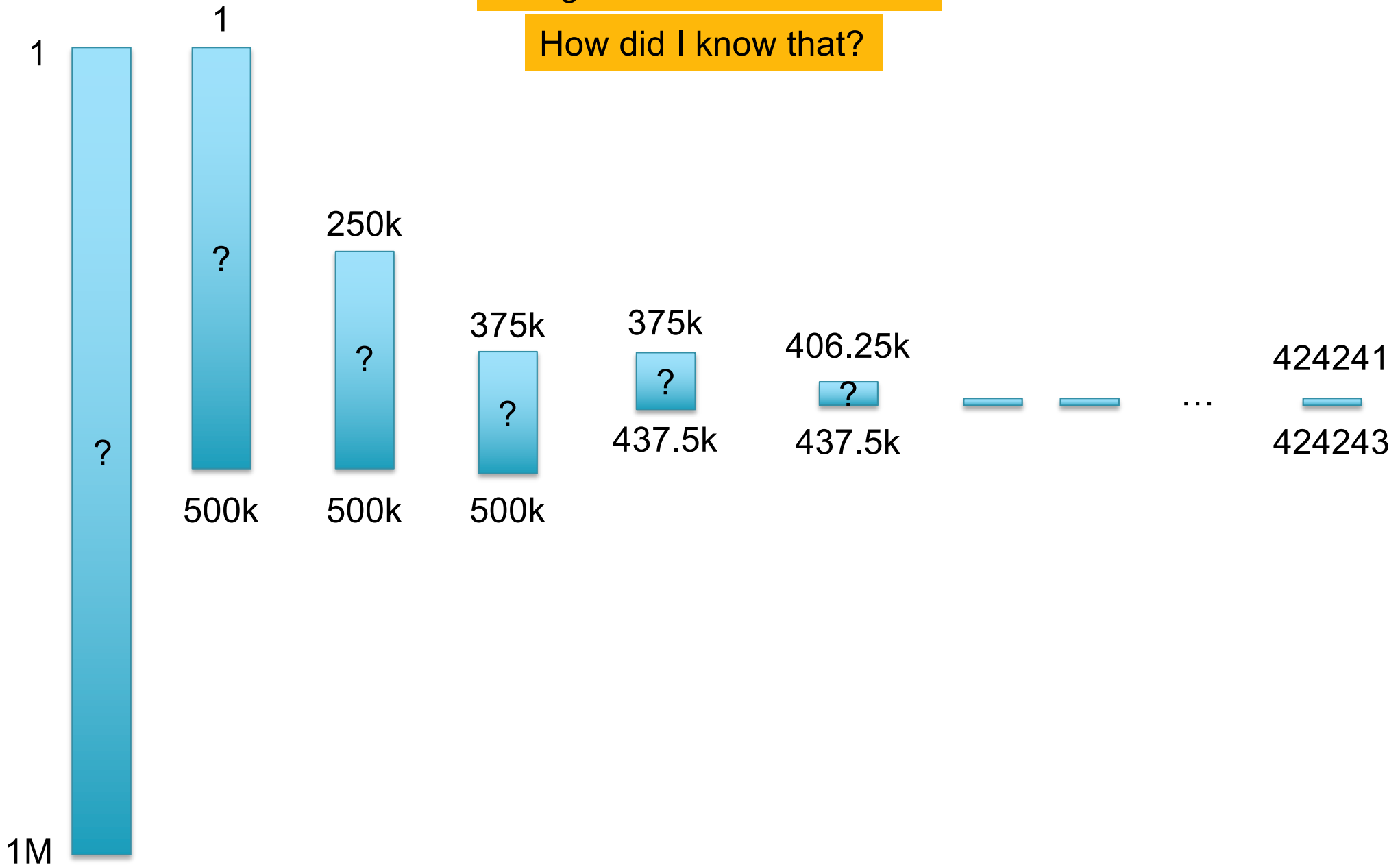
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Results???

Hi/Lo Game

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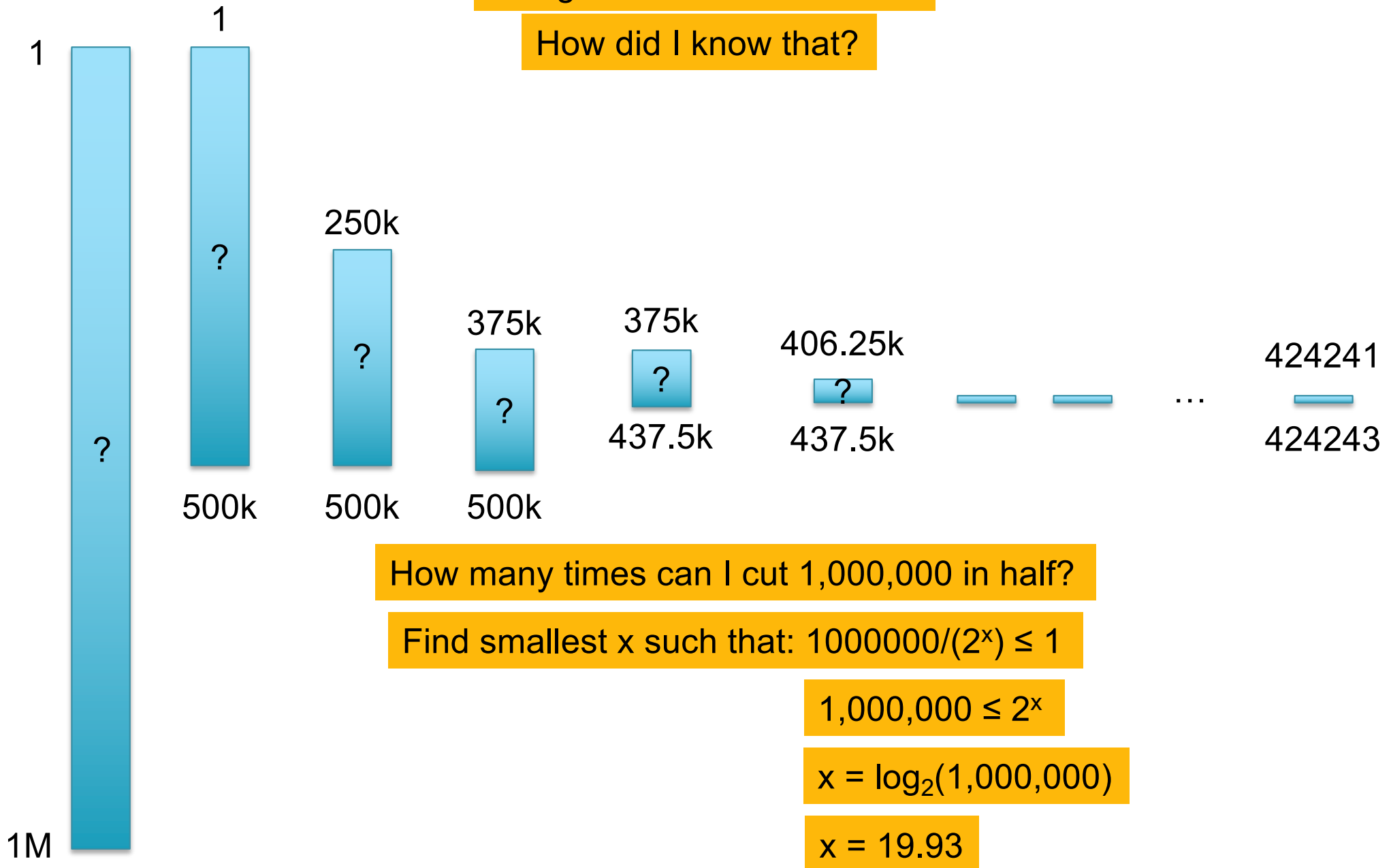
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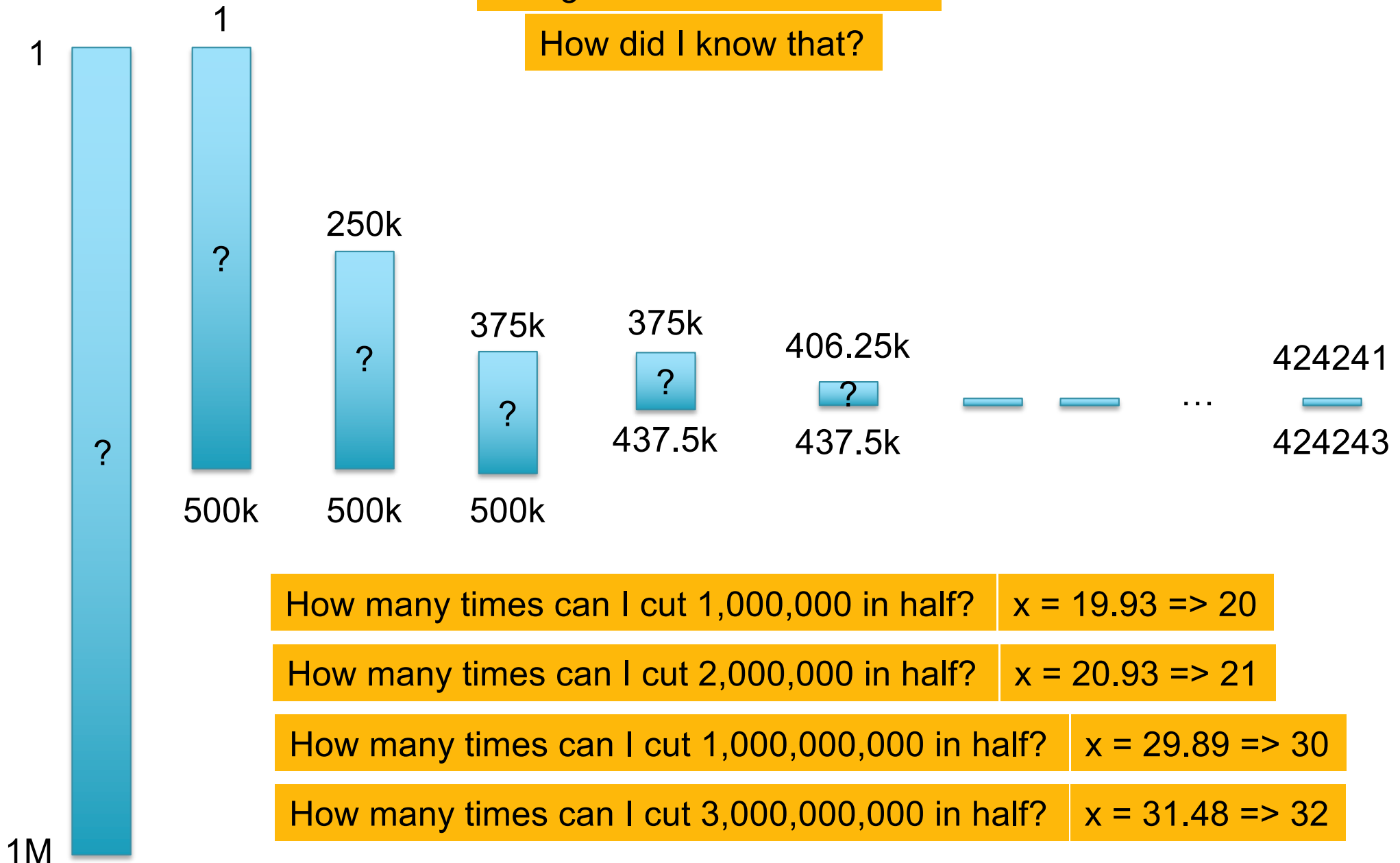
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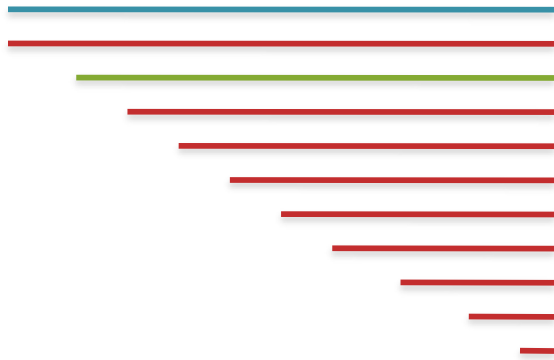


Searching the Phone Book

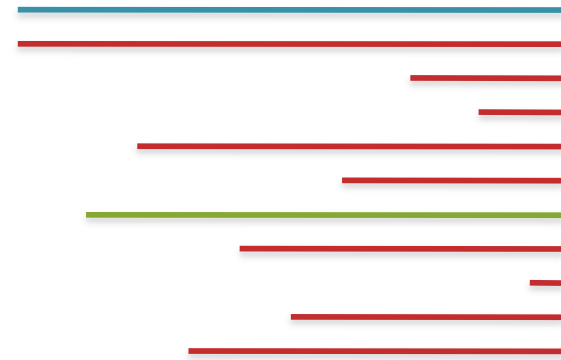
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- Sorting the genome: Suffix Array (Manber & Myers, 1991)
 - Sort every suffix of the genome



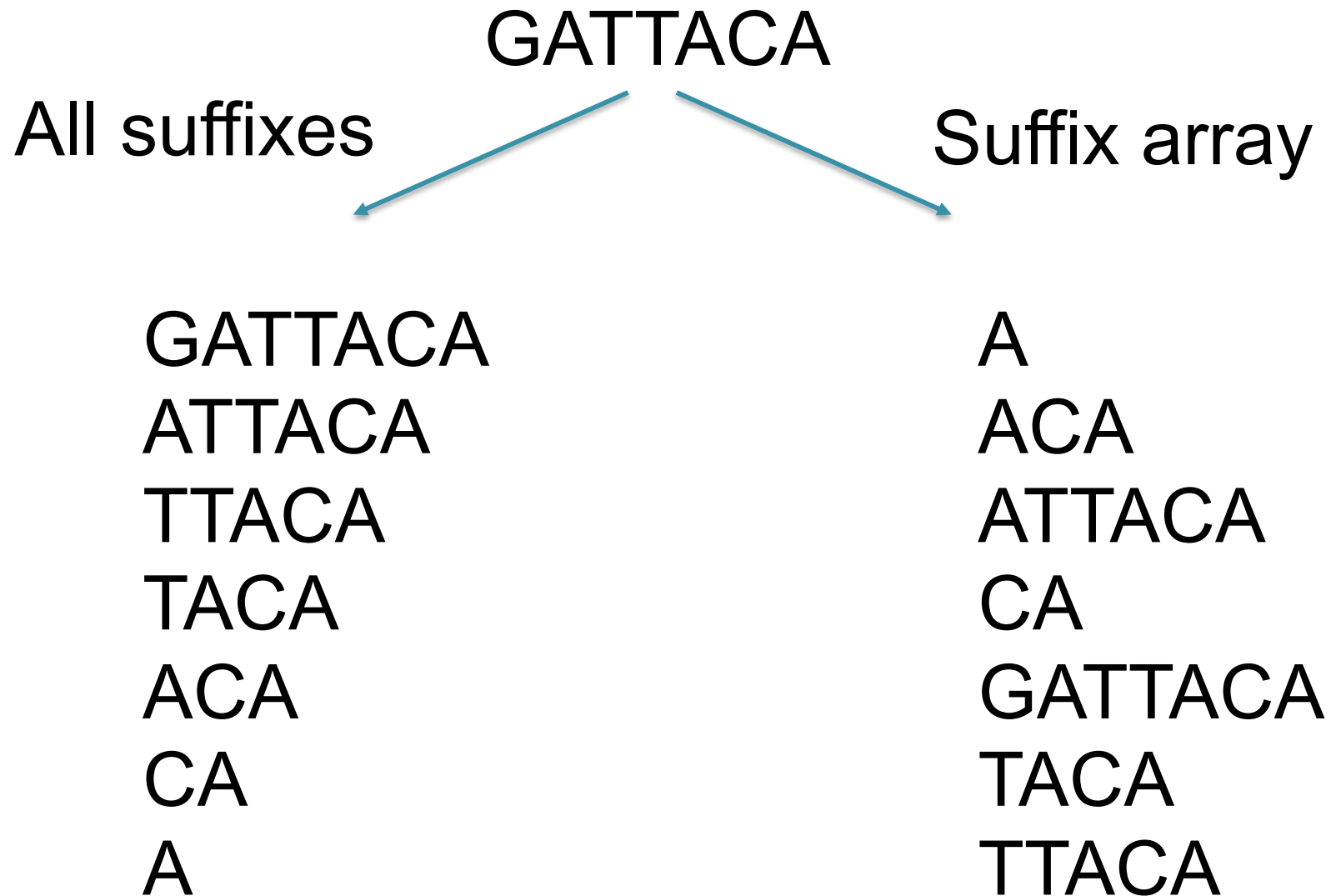
Split into n suffixes



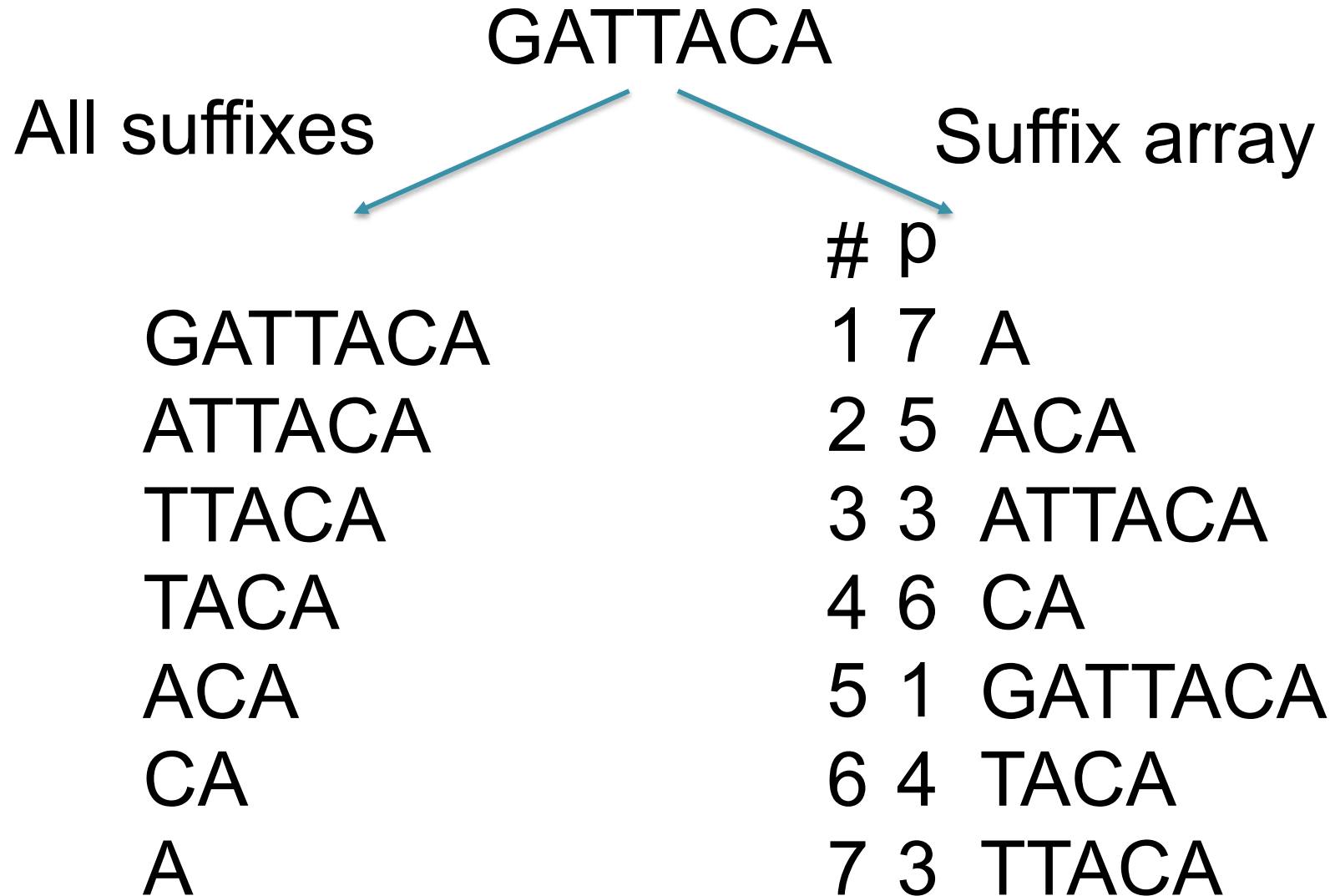
Sort suffixes alphabetically

[Challenge Question: How else could we split the genome?]

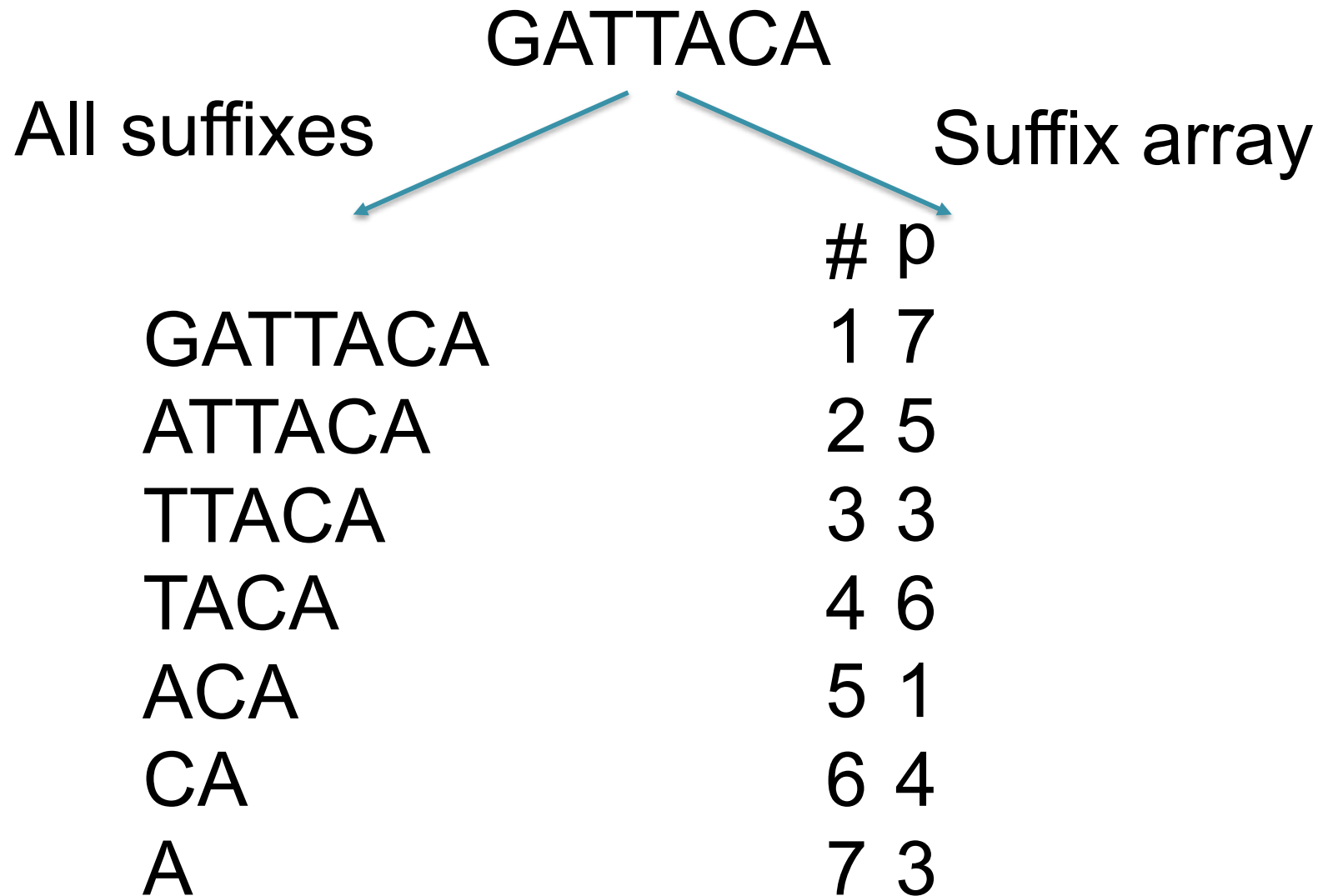
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=> Match at position 2!

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Binary Search Analysis

- Binary Search

Initialize search range to entire list

$mid = (hi+lo)/2$; $middle = suffix[mid]$

if query matches middle: done

else if query < middle: pick low range

else if query > middle: pick hi range

Repeat until done or empty range

[WHEN?]

- Analysis

- More complicated method

- How many times do we repeat?

- How many times can it cut the range in half?

- Find smallest x such that: $n/(2^x) \leq 1$; $x = \lg_2(n)$

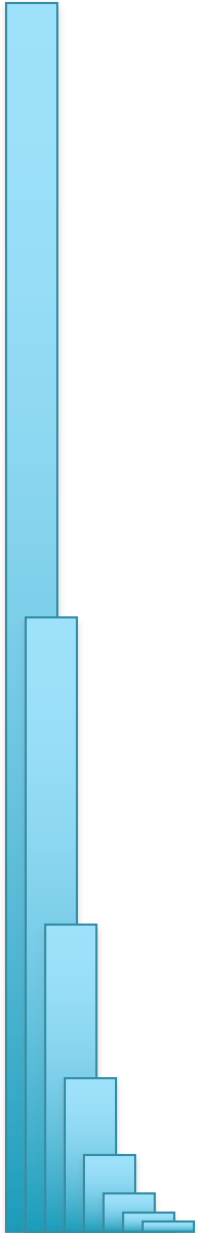
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- Total Runtime: $O(m \lg n)$

- More complicated, but **much** faster!

- Looking up a query loops 32 times instead of 3B

[How long does it take to search 6B or 24B nucleotides?]



Suffix Array Construction

- How can we store the suffix array?
[How many characters are in all suffixes combined?]

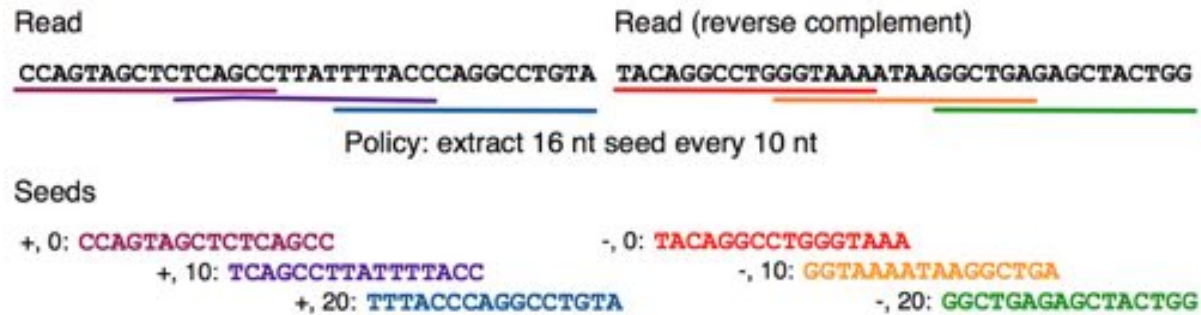
$$S = 1 + 2 + 3 + \dots + n = \sum_{i=1}^n i = \frac{n(n+1)}{2} = O(n^2)$$

- Hopeless to explicitly store 4.5 billion billion characters
- Instead use implicit representation
 - Keep 1 copy of the genome, and a list of sorted offsets
 - Storing 3 billion offsets fits on a server (12GB)
- Searching the array is very fast, but it takes time to construct
 - This time will be amortized over many, many searches
 - Run it once "overnight" and save it away for all future queries

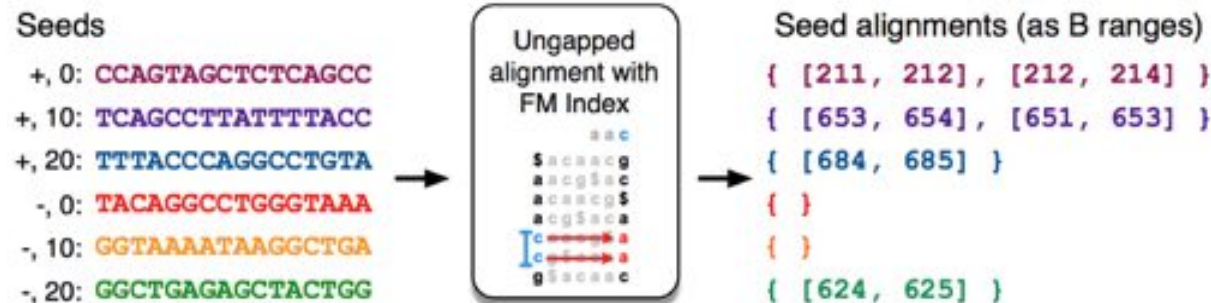
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Bowtie2 Algorithm

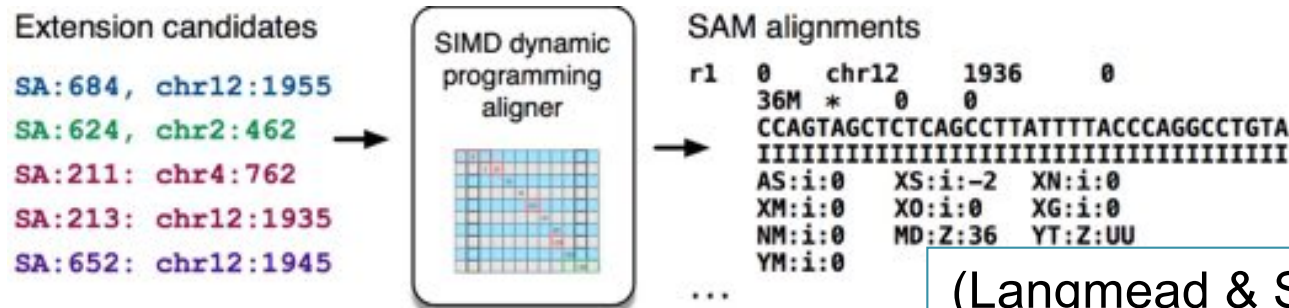
1. Split read into segments



2. Lookup each segment and prioritize



3. Evaluate end-to-end match



(Langmead & Salzberg, 2012)

Sapling: Accelerating Suffix Array Queries with Learned Data Models



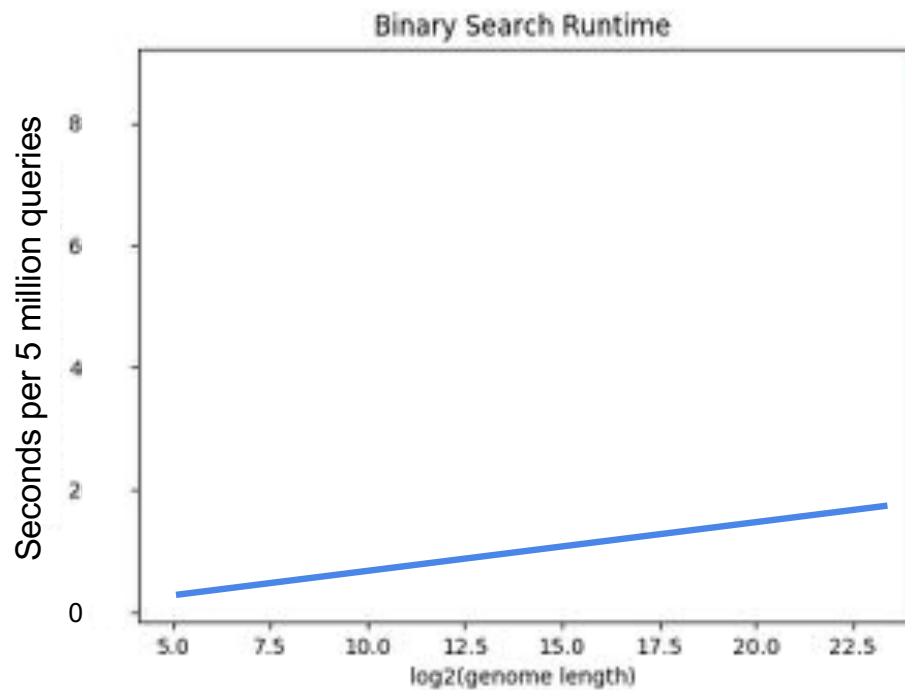
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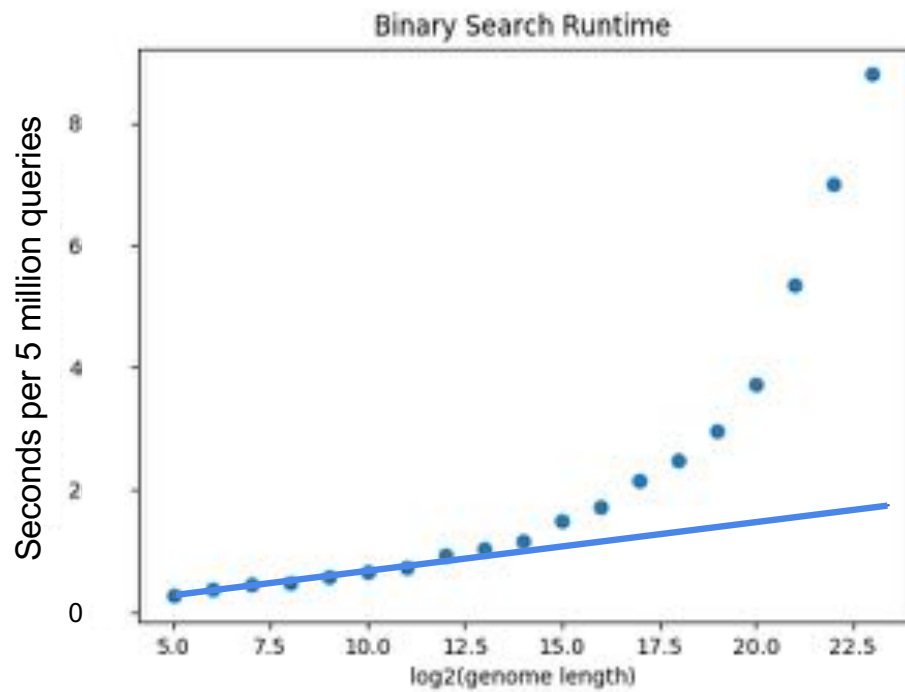
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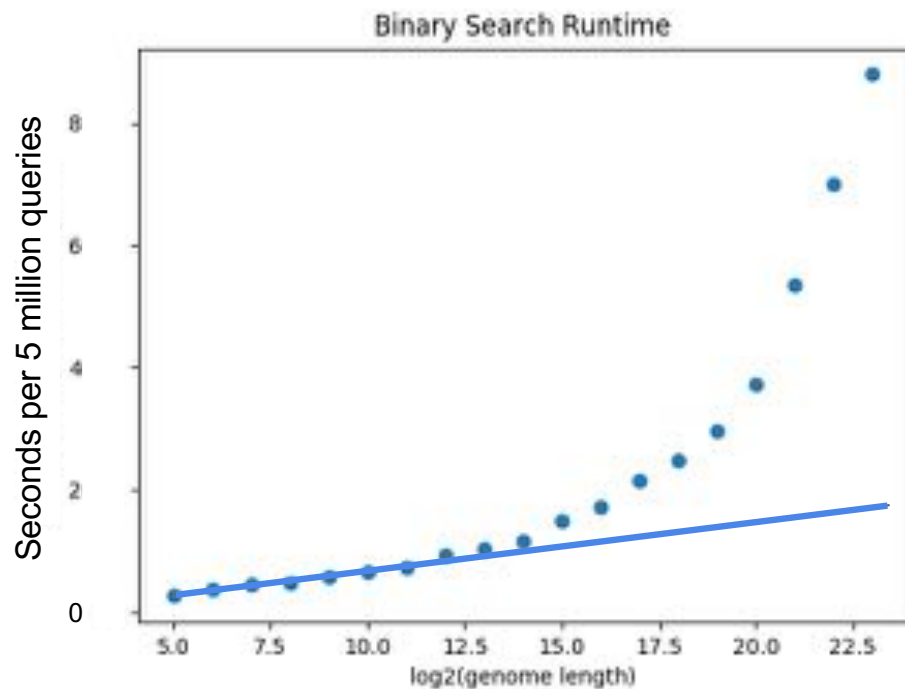
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with log2 of the genome size

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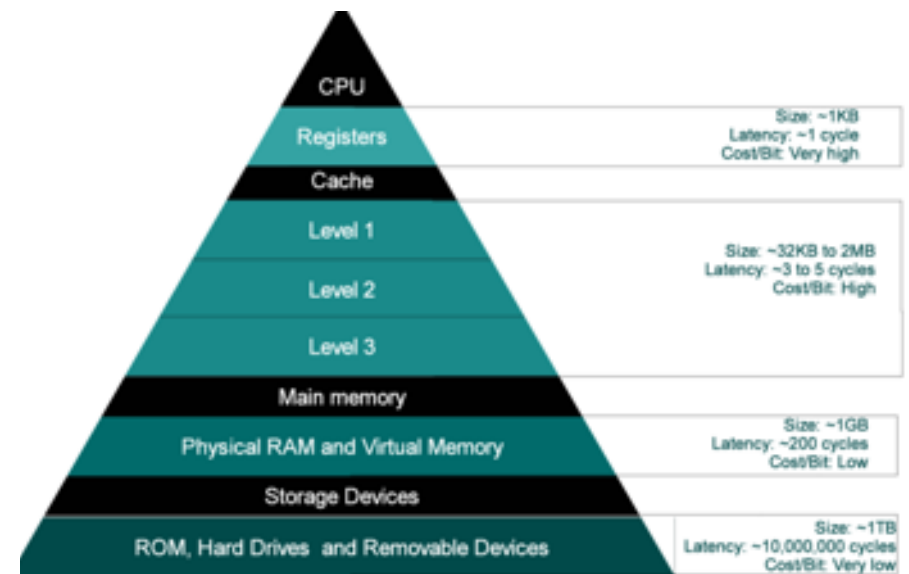
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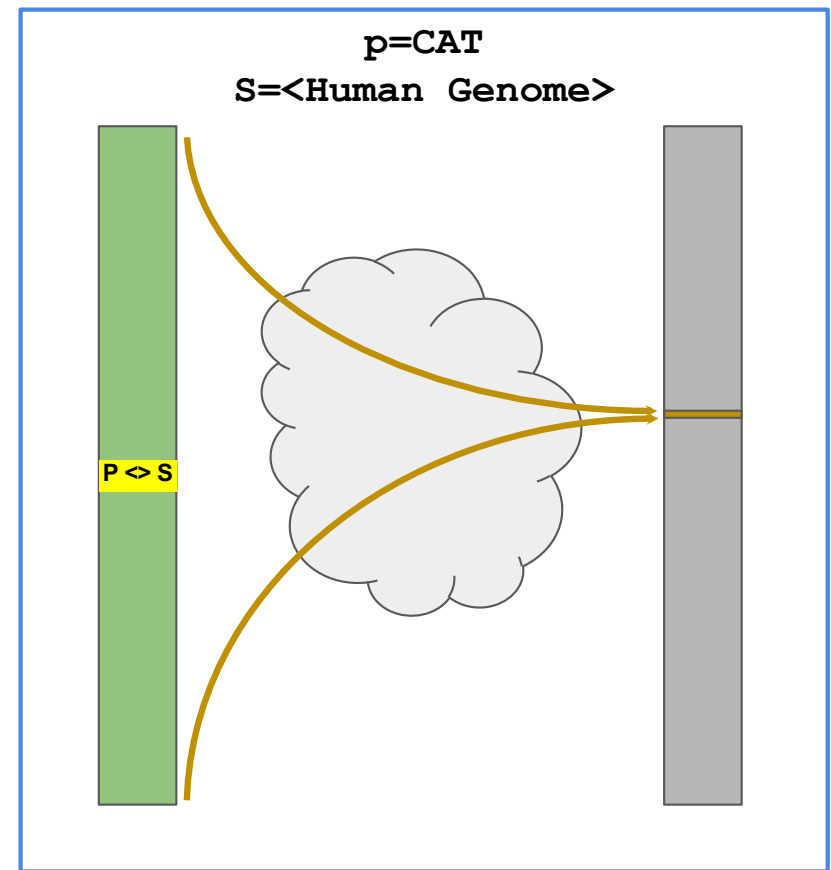
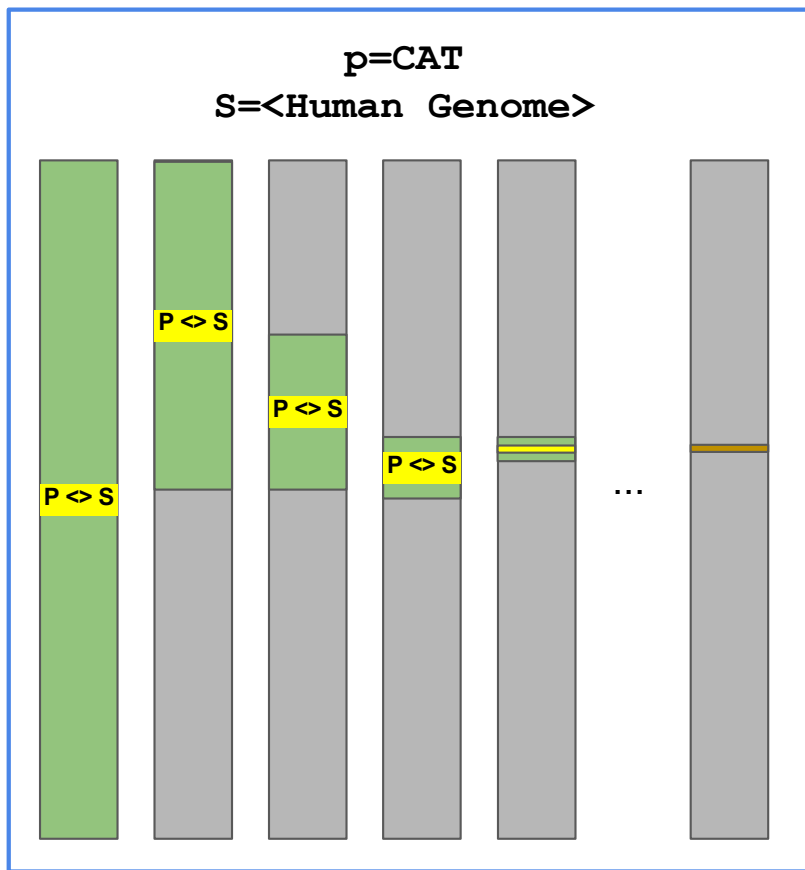
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Memory Hierarchy



Binary search suffers from poor locality causing many lookups in main memory

Suffix Array Prediction



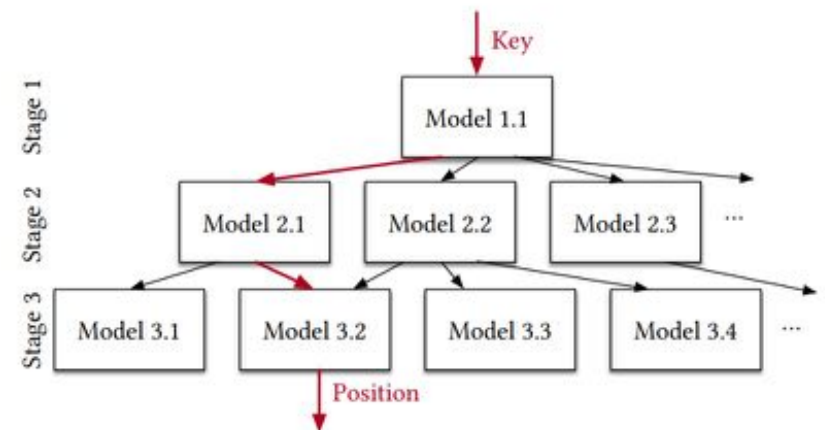
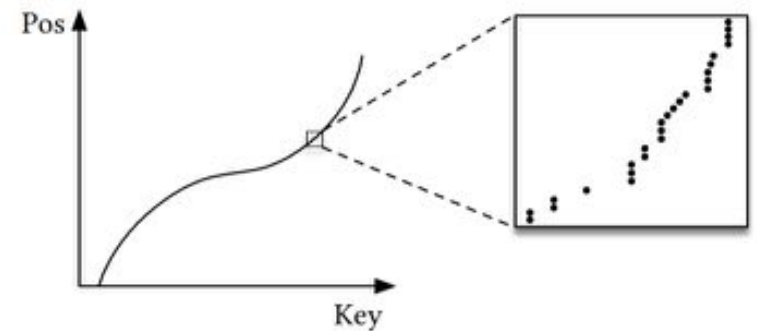
***What if instead of a slow algorithmic approach to find the correct rows,
we could somehow quickly guess/predict the correct rows?***

Learned Index Structures

Researchers at Google using neural networks to replace classical data structures such as B-Trees, HashMaps, and Bloom Filters

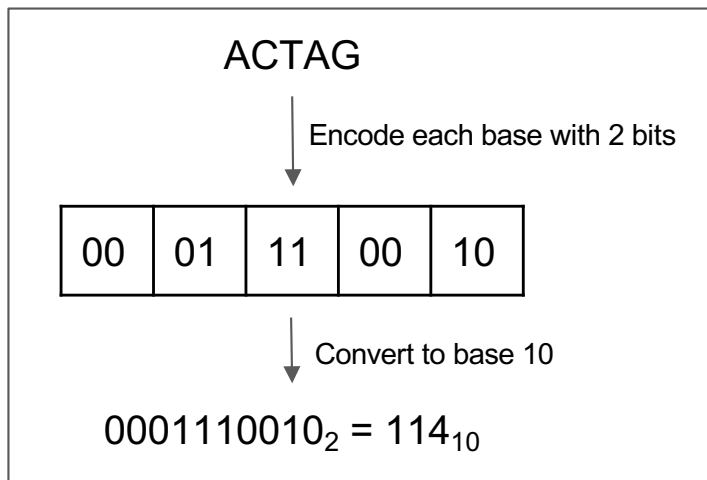
Train network to predict position of a data point in the structure given its value

Compute the maximum error $E = |\text{predicted position} - \text{actual position}|$ among all points in data structure. Then, narrow search to within E of predicted value.

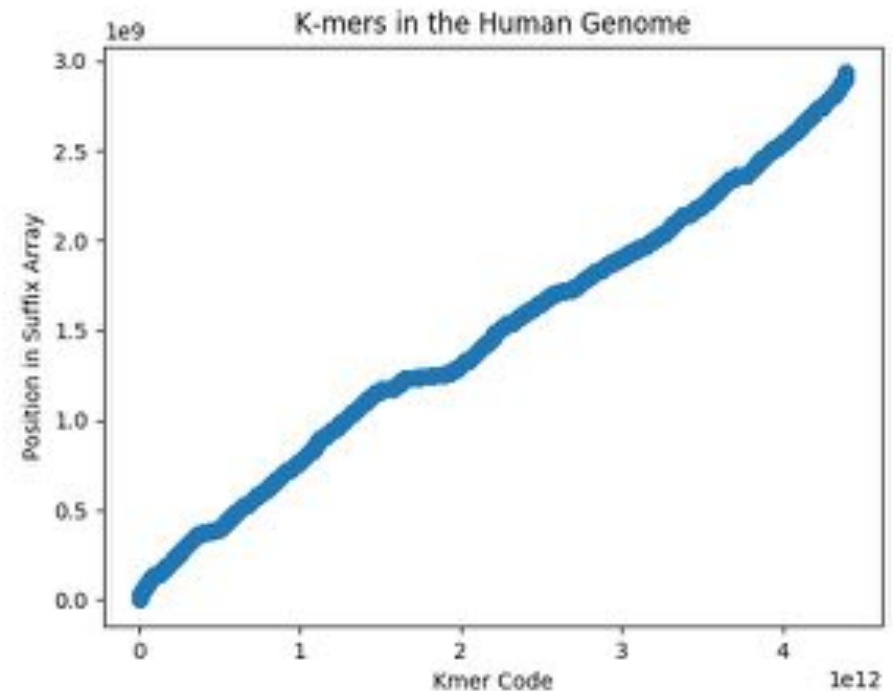


Kraska et. al. "The Case for Learned Index Structures". SIGMOD 2018.

Suffix Array Search as a Prediction Task

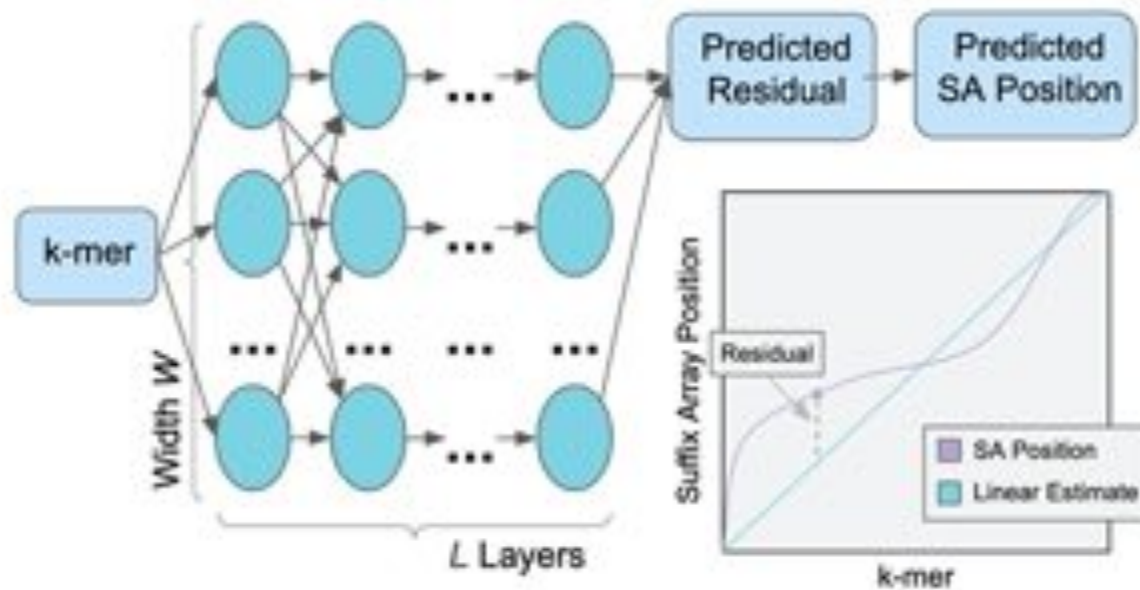


Goal: Given a query string and a suffix array, predict the suffix array position where the suffix begins with that query string

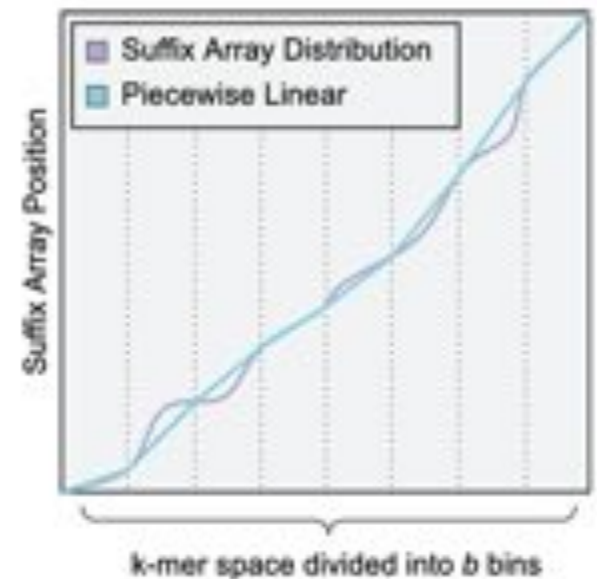


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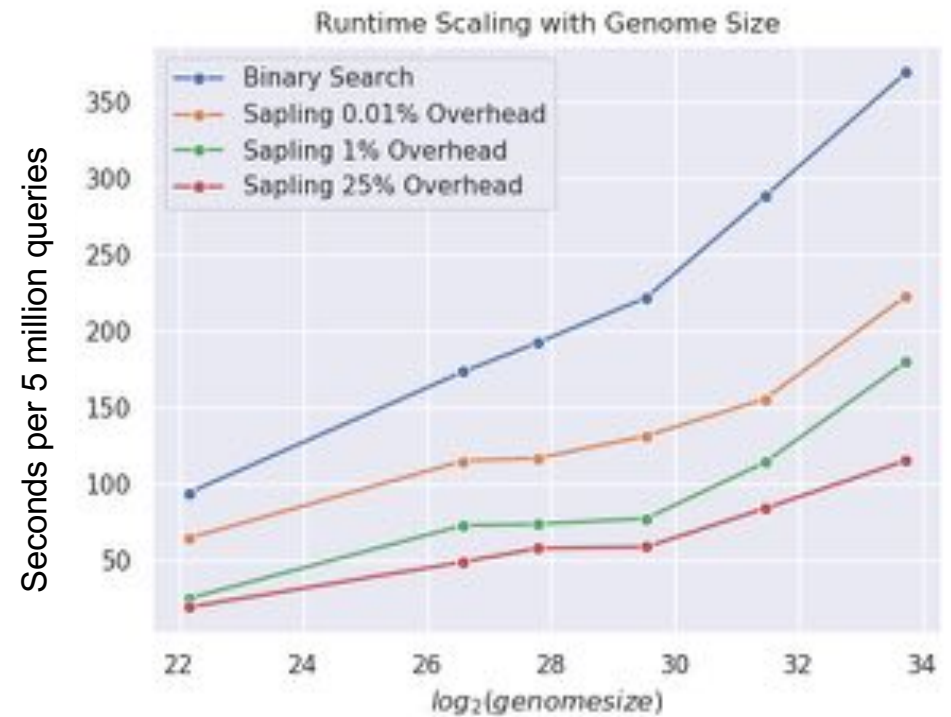
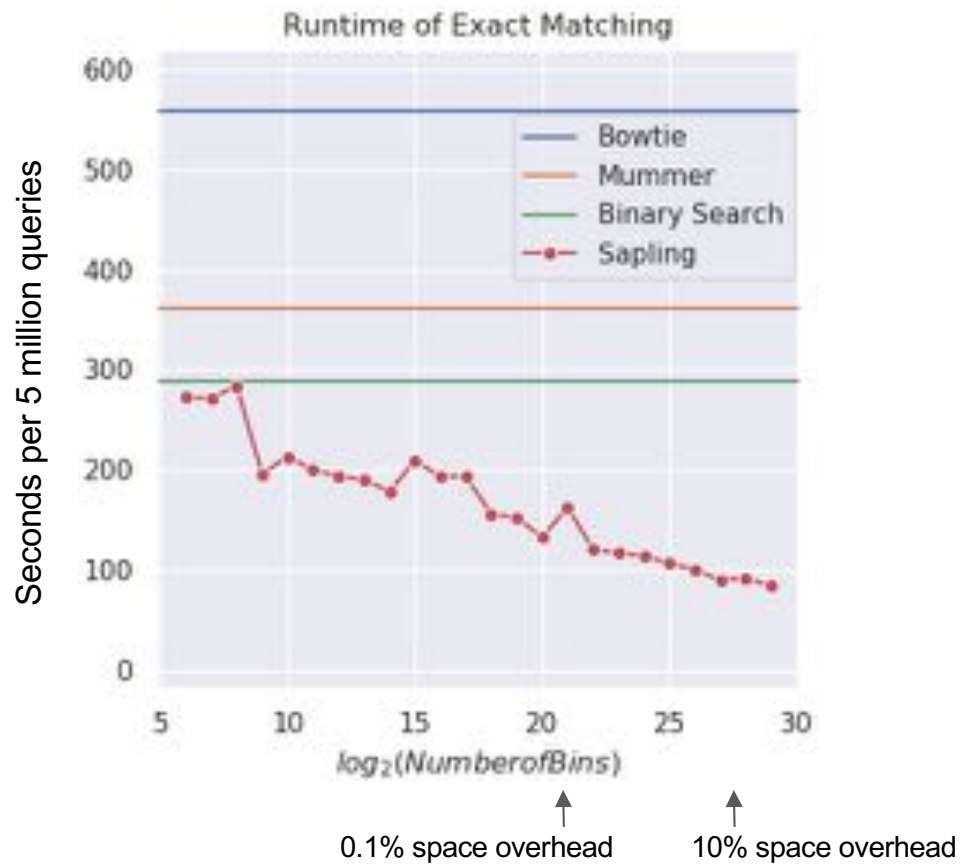
a) ANN Architecture



b) Piecewise Linear Architecture



Performance Results



Conclusion

SAPLING allows faster string searching than existing approaches

- Scales well with genome length and could be used for searching large collections of genomes, e.g. metagenomics search
- Technique of treating data structure lookups as predictive function evaluation has the potential to speed up many other genomic data structures

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Abstract

Motivation

As genomic data becomes more abundant, efficient algorithms and data structures for sequence alignment become increasingly important. The suffix array is a widely used data structure to accelerate alignment, but the binary search algorithm used to query it requires widespread memory accesses, causing a large number of cache misses on large datasets.

Results

Here, we present Sapling, an algorithm for sequence alignment, which uses a learned data model to augment the suffix array and enable faster queries. We investigate different types of data models, providing an analysis of different neural network models as well as providing an open-source aligner with a compact, practical piecewise linear model. We show that Sapling outperforms both an optimized binary search approach and multiple widely used read aligners on a diverse collection of genomes, including human, bacteria and plants, speeding up the algorithm by more than a factor of two while adding <1% to the suffix array's memory footprint.

Availability and implementation

The source code and tutorial are available open-source at <https://github.com/mkirsche/sapling>.

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