

Welcome to the RNASeq Workshop/Course

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Learning Objectives

- Students will be able to apply basic bioinformatic theory and tools to analyze transcriptome datasets
- Students will be able to effectively communicate and critically assess the application of bioinformatic tools to transcriptome data
- Students will have basic competence in the UNIX shell and usage of bioinformatic tools from the command line

Syllabus Review

Course website:

https://github.com/statonlab/rnaseq_workshop/wiki

- Office hours 1:30 - 2:30
- Additional Linux command line practice today, if anyone requests it

Other Stuff

- Help is available!
- Ask questions, have discussion with your neighbors
- Use your stickies



Basics of RNASeq

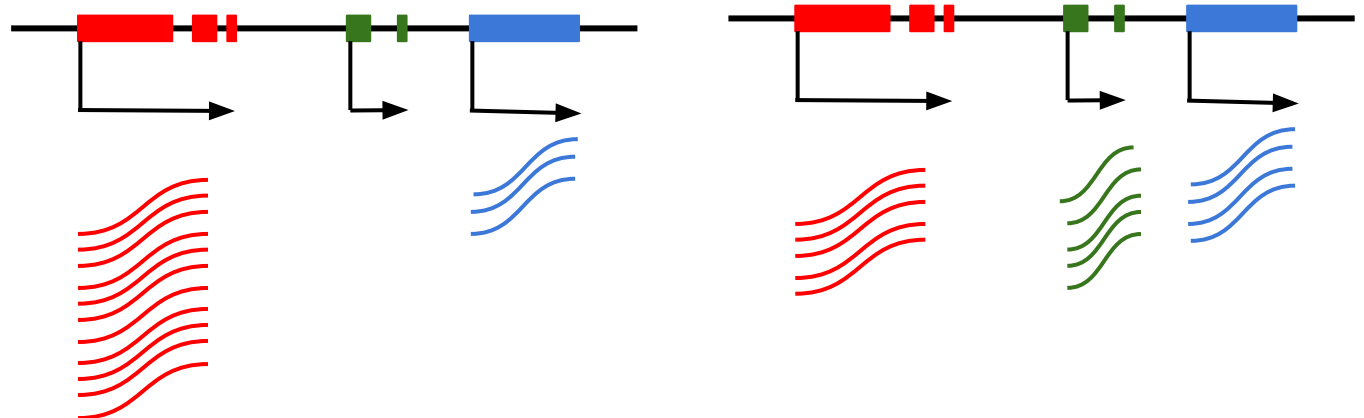
Outline

- The Big Picture
- Illumina platform
- Fasta format
- Fastq format
- RNASeq
- Data set for the class

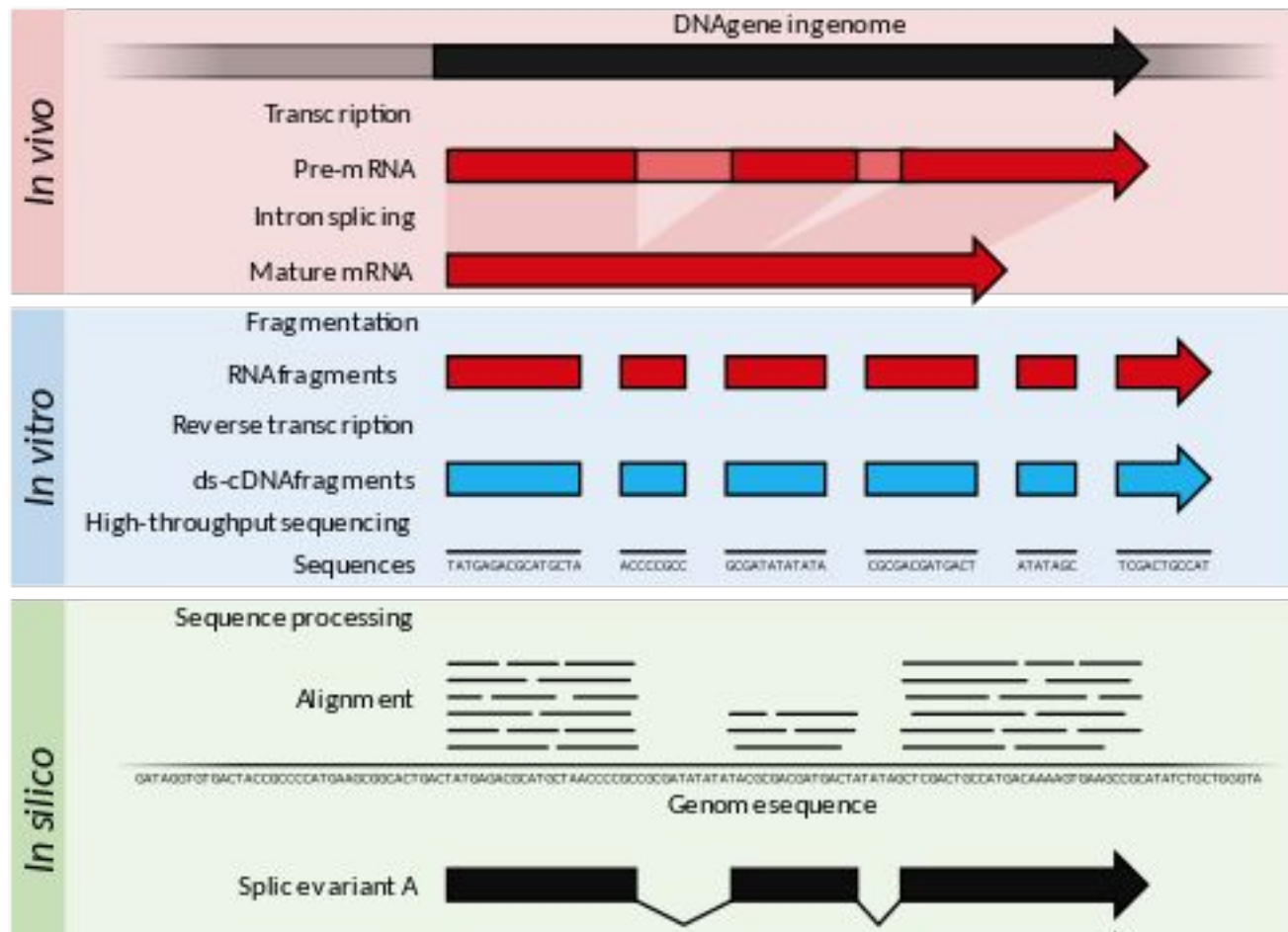
The Big Picture



Genome
Genes
Transcripts



The Big Picture



illumina

Illumina Sequencing Technology

\$3.3 billion in revenue in 2018

Market share (estimated):

90% in 2016

75% in 2018

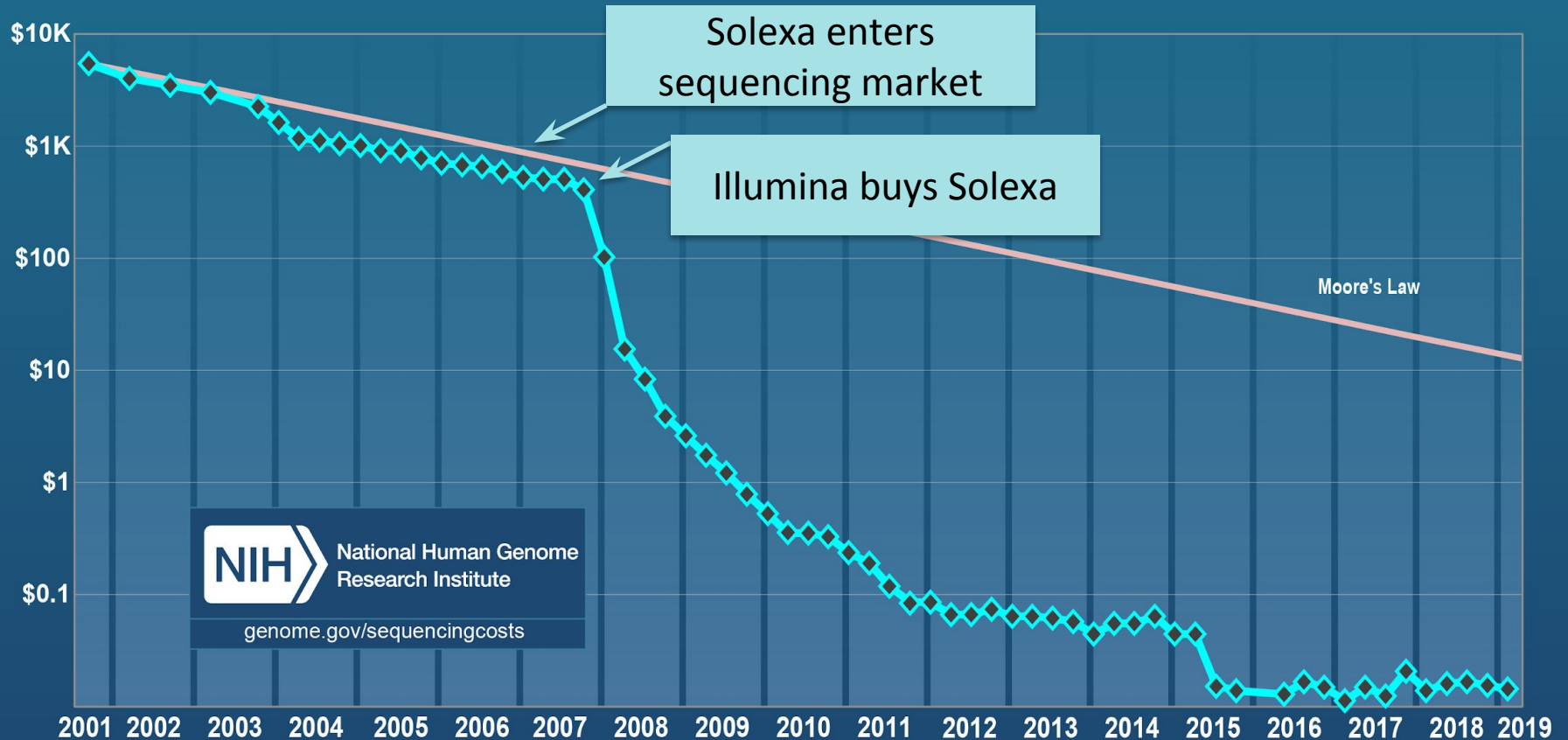
Why are they so popular?

- Low price
- High throughput
- High base calling fidelity
- Paired end sequencing

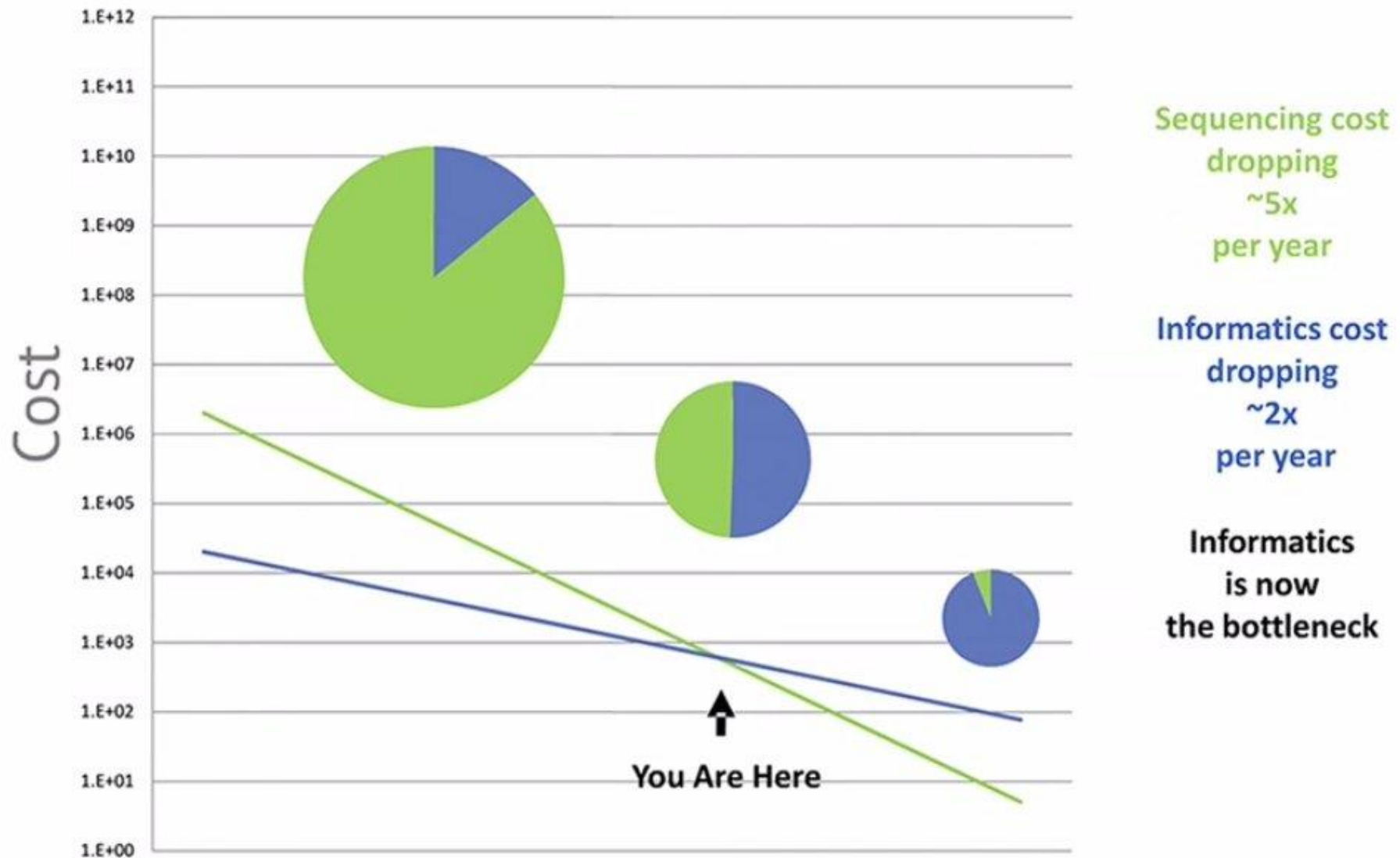
Announced acquisition of
PacBio in late 2018 - may or
may not go through.



Cost per Raw Megabase of DNA Sequence



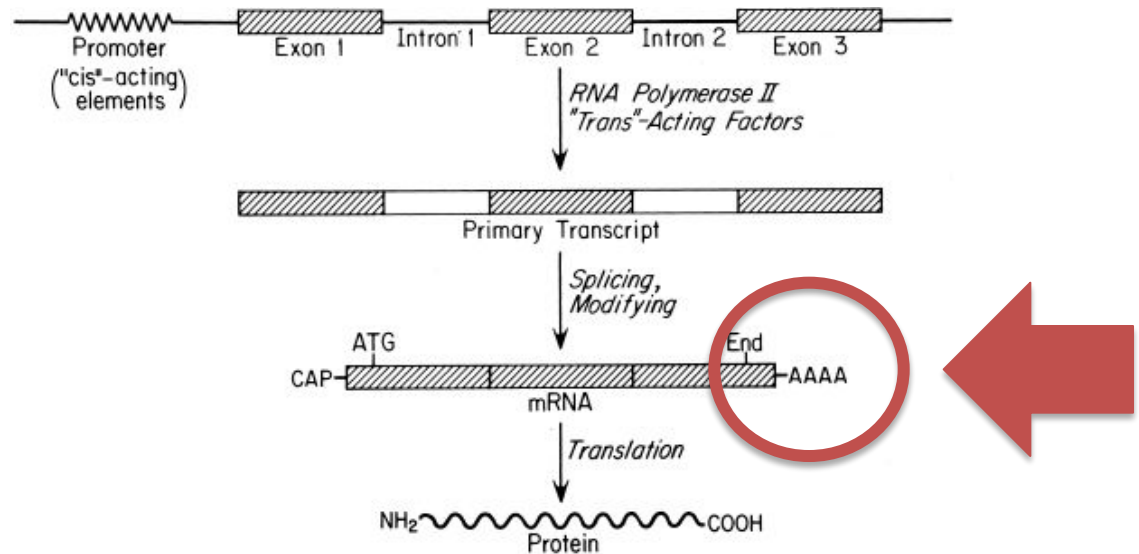
DNA Sequencing Economics



How does it work?

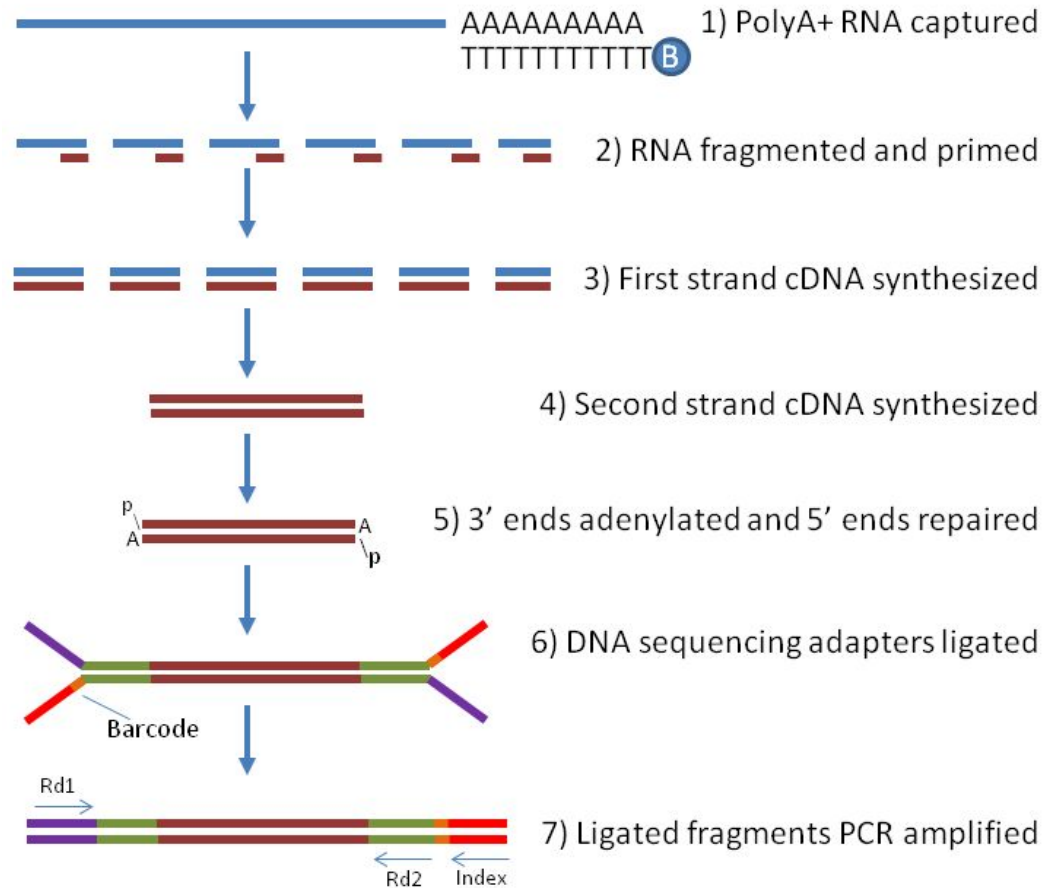
Targeting coding RNA for sequencing

1. **Poly-A enrichment** - purify the poly-A containing mRNA molecules using poly-T oligo attached magnetic beads (eukaryotes)



2. **Riboremoval** - rRNA depletion

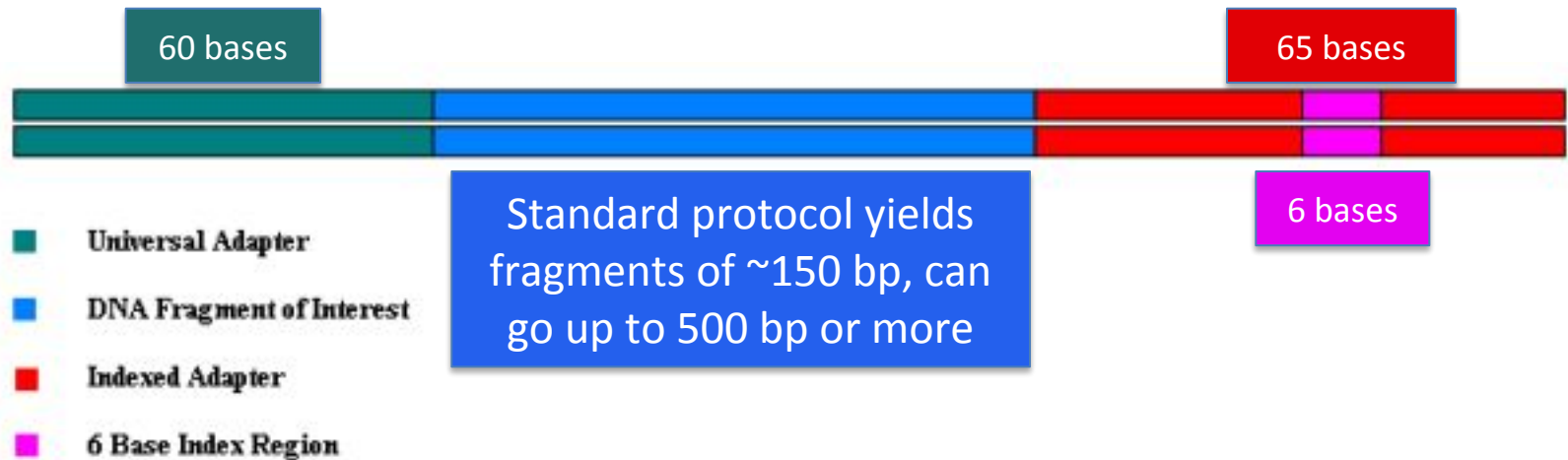
Basics of Library Prep



Final library fragments that are sequenced.

Library construction can vary by kit

TruSeq Example:



You will need the adapter sequences and a good understanding of adapter locations to later trim them out of your data

Videos

Illumina Sequencing by Synthesis by Illumina

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=fCd6B5HRaZ8>

Illumina Sequencing Technology by Illumina

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=womKfikWlxM>

Library Prep by ThermoFisher

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=_yC0Bzw3WbQ

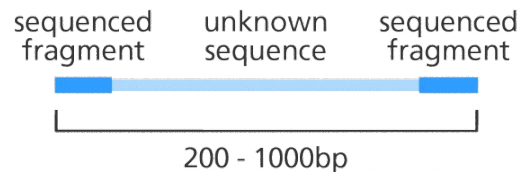
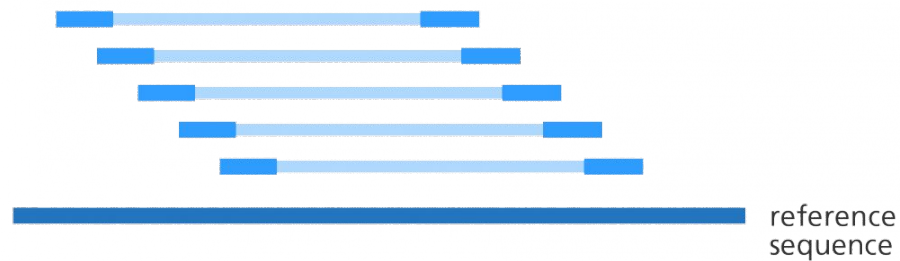
Also many platform specific videos

Paired End Sequencing

Single-end reads



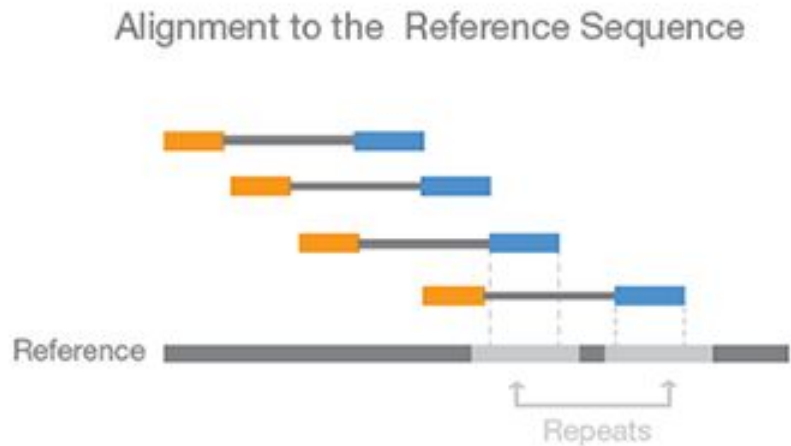
Paired-end reads



Paired End Sequencing

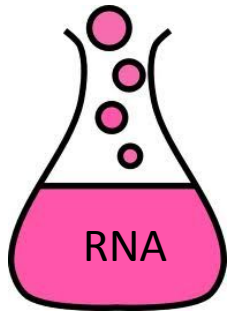
Why?

- Overcome lack of length.
- Map accurately to repetitive regions.
- Identify insertion/deletion mutations
- Better assembly.

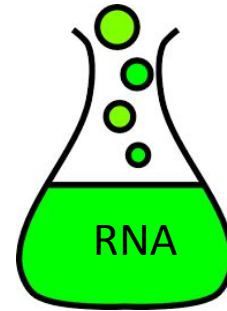
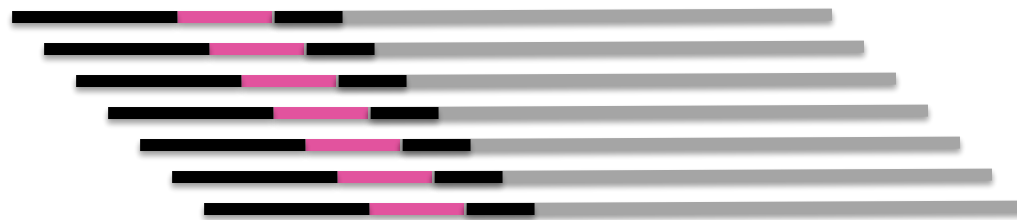


Multiplexing

Loading many samples into one lane.



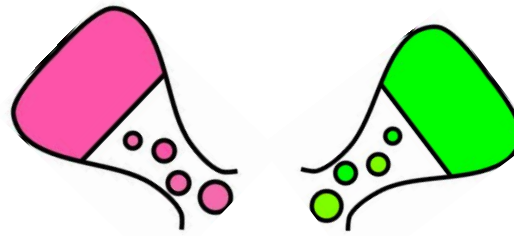
Pink Sample With **CGATGT**



Green Sample with **TGACCA**



CGATGT



TGACCA



Software for De-multiplexing

Pink Sample File

Green Sample File

Price and Throughput



NextSeq Series +



HiSeq 4000 System



HiSeq X Series[‡]



NovaSeq 6000
System

Instrument	NextSeq	HiSeq 2500	NovaSeq	NextSeq	NovaSeq		
Run	Mid-output	High-output	S Prime	High-output	S1	S2	S4
Read Length	2 x 150	2 x 125	2 x 150	2 x 150	2 x 150	2 x 150	2 x 150
Unit	Lane	Lane	Lane	Lane	Lane	Lane	Lane
# of reads	130 M	220 M	375 M	400 M	750 M	1,800 M	2,250 M
Output	39 Gb	55 Gb	112 Gb	120 Gb	225 Gb	540 Gb	675 Gb
Costs	\$1,581	\$3,044	\$2,957	\$5,629	\$4,715	\$10,034	\$8,764
Costs/M reads	\$12.16	\$13.84	\$7.89	\$14.07	\$6.29	\$5.57	\$3.90



Price and Throughput

Companies offer regular deals:

RNASeq library prep + sequencing of 20 million reads per library

\$189



Experimental Goals for mRNA Seq

- Catalog of genes
- Gene expression levels
- Differential gene expression levels
- All of the above for alleles and splice variants
- Annotating the genes in a reference genome
- Variant (Genetic marker) discovery
- Post-transcriptional modifications, RNA-editing

Limitations

- Reverse transcription, PCR and fragmentation steps can introduce biases
 - Depletion of reads at both 5' and 3' ends
 - Difficult to identify the true start and end of novel transcripts
 - May underestimate expression level of short genes
 - PCR-free preps are available
 - GC bias, length bias
- Some genes are difficult to accurately quantify - too short, overlapping, gene family members
- Experimental design!

Long Read Technologies



PacBio (IsoSeq for RNA) and Nanopore

- full length transcripts
- no fragmentation, no amplification
- more expensive
- great if you don't have a reference genome
- great for discovering and profiling alternative splicing variants

File Formats

Fasta Format

```
>gi|31563518|ref|NP_852610.1|  
microtubule-associated proteins 1A/1B  
light chain 3A isoform b [Homo sapiens]
```

```
MKMRFFSSPCGKAAVDPADRCKEVQQIRD  
QHPSKIPVIIERYKGEKQLPVLDKTKFLVPDHV  
NMSELVKII RRRLQLNPTQAFFLLVNQHSMV  
SVSTPIADIYEQEKDEDGFLYMVYASQETFGF  
>FN640832
```

```
CCTGGTAGCTATGGCTTGCCTTTACTAAGA  
CCCATCTCAAACAGGCTCAATTAATTTTGGT  
TCCAAGGGCCTGAAACATTCTTAAAGAAGC  
GAATAGAGAAACACAGGAGCACAGTTTTT  
CGCACCAATATCCCTCCAACCTTTCCCTTTCT  
TCTCCAATGTTAATCCCAGCGTTGTTGCTGT  
CCTTGACACCAAGTCTTTTGCACACCTC
```

A sequence must start with a header line

- Begins with a >
- First “word” is the sequence id
- Rest of line may contain more sequence descriptors

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QHPSKIPVIIERYKGEKQLPVLDKTKFLVPDHV  
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SVSTPIADIYEQEKDEDGFLYMVYASQETFGF
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GAATAGAGAAACACAGGAGCACAGTTTTT  
CGCACCAATATCCCTCCAACCTTTCCCTTTCT  
TCTCCAATGTTAATCCCAGCGTTGTTGCTGT  
CCTTGACACCAAGTCTTTTGCACACCTC
```

The header is followed by the sequence

- May be amino acid or nucleotide
- May be a single line or multiple lines
- Should be consistent within a file

No empty line between sequence entries

Fastq Format

```
@SRR070570.1 HWUSI-EAS455:3:1:1:1388 length=41
CAGCACTAATGCACCGGATCCCATCAGAACTCCGCAGTTAA
+SRR070570.1 HWUSI-EAS455:3:1:1:1388 length=41
BACBC9BCC@.>C>96;CB@:?BB7@5>BA=:4.:B9>BB@

@SRR070570.2 HWUSI-EAS455:3:1:1:1785 length=41
CCAGAACACAAAGCTCATGACACGTTACCTCCTGGAAGTT
+SRR070570.2 HWUSI-EAS455:3:1:1:1785 length=41
>AB@ACBB<BCA:>B;AA;@<B=;-=-;<?@?<?=1-?B<8A

@SRR070570.3 HWUSI-EAS455:3:1:1:1679 length=41
ATCGATGAAGAACGTAGCGAAATGCGATACTTGGTGTGAAT
+SRR070570.3 HWUSI-EAS455:3:1:1:1679 length=41
BA=:==4?:8>A:8:>6:4:;2<07,<:@582+22'-';@>
```

Fastq Format

Sequence Identifier



Optional Description



```
@SRR070570.1 HWUSI-EAS455:3:1:1:1388 length=41
CAGCACTAATGCACCGGATCCCATCAGAACTCCGCAGTTAA
+SRR070570.1 HWUSI-EAS455:3:1:1:1388 length=41
BACBC9BCC@.>C>96;CB@:?BB7@5>BA=:4.:B9>BB@
```


Fastq Format

The Sequence

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Fastq Format

Totally useless line that begins with a + but does not need anything else; id and description are sometimes repeated.

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```

Fastq Format

Quality values for each base.

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BACBC9BCC@.>C>96;CB@:?BB7@5>BA=:4.:B9>BB@
```

FASTQ Quality Scores

Scores are encoded as a single character. From lowest score to highest score:

!"#\$%&'()*+,-./0123456789:;<=>?@ABCDEFGHI
0... ...41

Can calculate the likelihood of a base being wrong with a logarithmic formula.

An I is 99.99% likely be correct.

A * is only 90% likely to be correct.

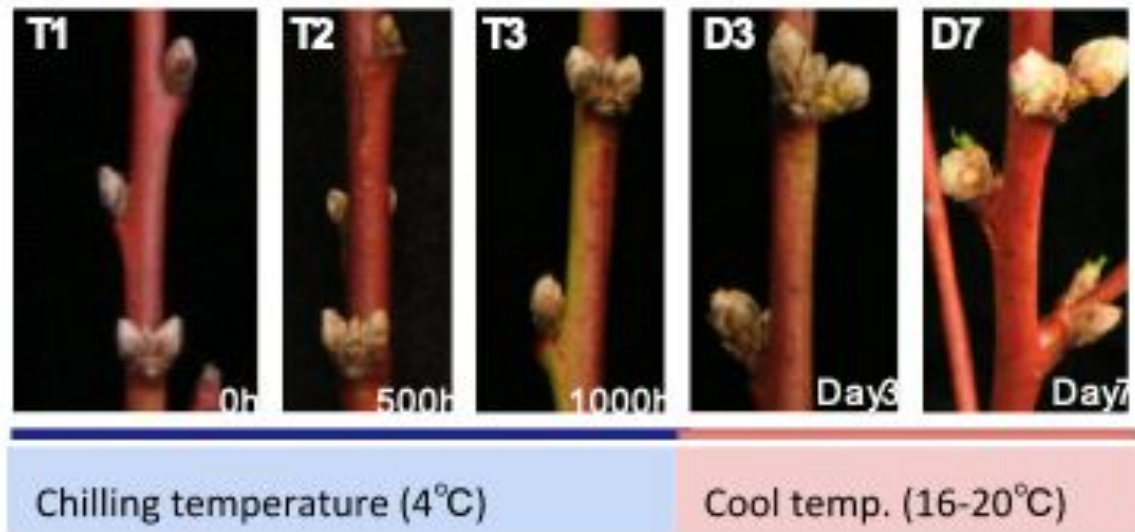
https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Phred_quality_score

Ewing et al, 1998

Data



- USDA grant “Abiotic Stress Response And Adaptive Phenology In Fruit Trees”
- Dormancy in apricots (*Prunus armeniaca*) and peaches (*Prunus persica*)
- Late blooming (high chill) variety – adapted to northern climates
- Early blooming (low chill) variety – adapted to southern climates
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Questions before we begin?