kmtricks: modular k-mer count matrix and Bloom filter construction for large read collections

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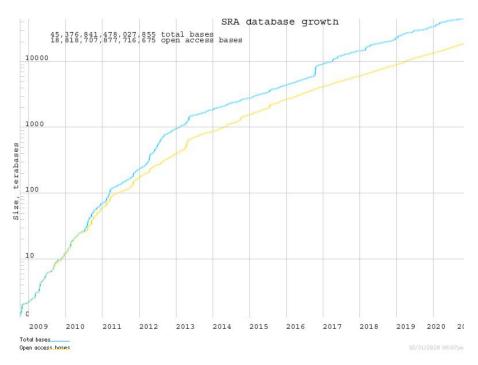








Database growth



- Tara Ocean: **250 billions** metaG reads
- 100000 genome project: ~19 PB
- SRA: > 30 PB

https://trace.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/Traces/sra/

Indexing: Motivation & Applications

Sequencing data → Assembly/Mapping → Analyses →

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Sequencing data

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Analyses



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Querying this data could help answer some questions:

- RNA-seq
 - Expressed isoform according to tissues [1]
 - Gene fusion [2]
- Microbial genomics
 - Antimicrobial resistance [3]
- Genome dynamics
 - Phylogeny [4]
- ...

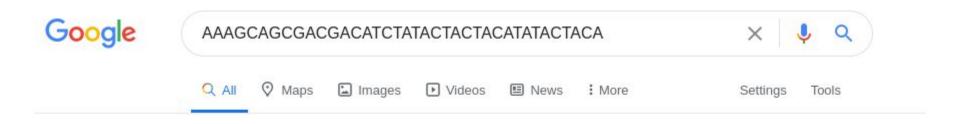
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How to query these data?

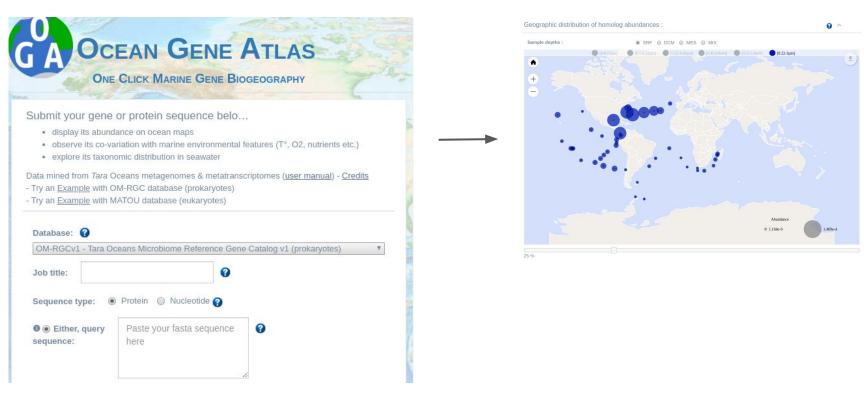


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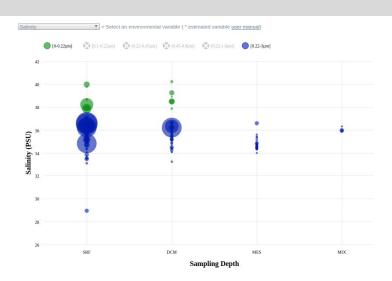
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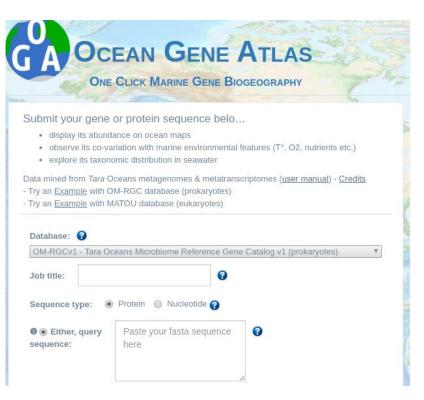
- Make sure that all words are spelled correctly.
- Try different keywords.
- · Try more general keywords.

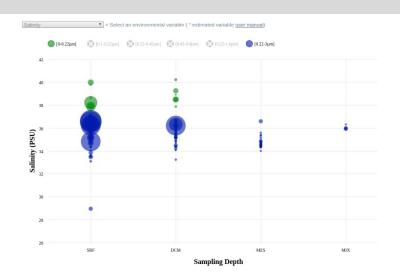












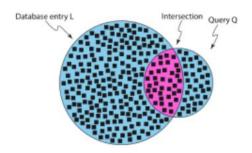
- Limited to Tara assembled Genes
- Usage of Blast, Diamond, HMMER

From sequence alignement to k-mers

Problem: Given experiments sets, and a sequence of interest, which dataset contains this sequence?

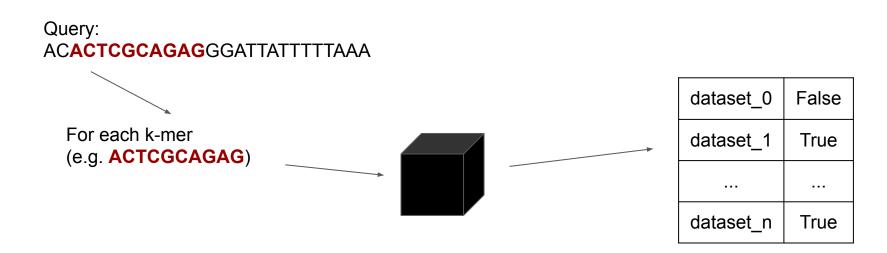
In terms of k-mers:

- A query Q matches an experiment L if at least a fraction θ of Q's k-mers are present in L.



k-mer indexing

query requires membership data structures



k-mer indexing

k-mer indexing methods (non exhaustive):

- BFT (Holley et al., 2016)*
- Sequence Bloom Tree*:
 - SBT (Solomon & Kingsford, 2016)
 - AllSomeSBT (Sun et al., 2017)
 - SSBT (Solomon & Kingsford, 2018)
 - HowDeSBT (Harris & Medvedev, 2019)
- Mantis (Pandey et al., 2018)
- SeqOthello (Yu et al., 2018)
- BIGSI (Bradley *et al.*, 2019)*
- COBS (Bingmann et al., 2019)*

Review of k-mer indexing methods: Data structure based on k-mers for querying large collections of sequencing datasets (Marchet *et al.* 2019)

*Based on Bloom filters

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Mantis	130^{a}	3,500	20^a	N/A	30^a
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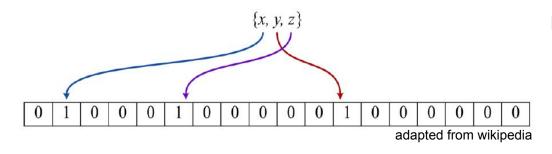
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- focuse on improving data processing time in the case of HowDeSBT

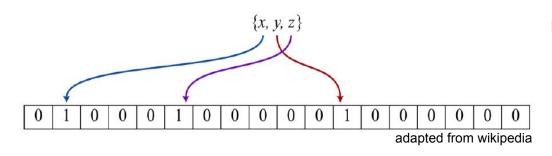
Bloom filters



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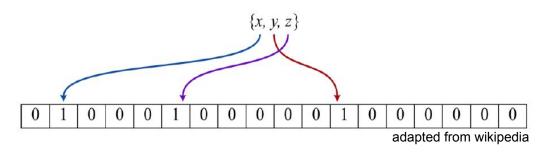
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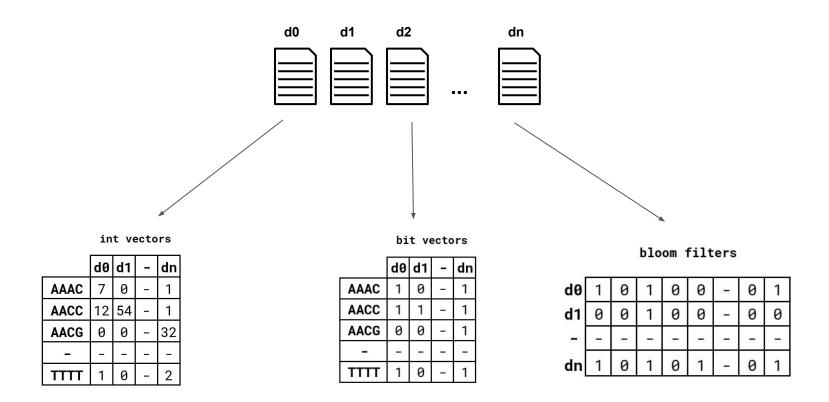
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Bloom filters construction issues:

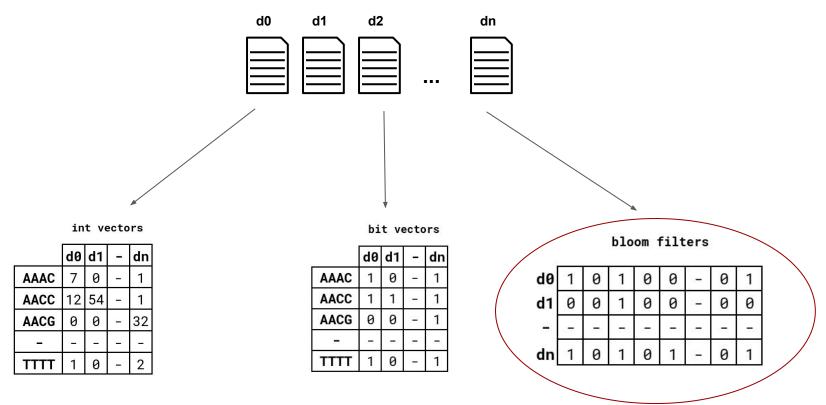
- The largest bottleneck is the k-mer count step
- Bad data locality



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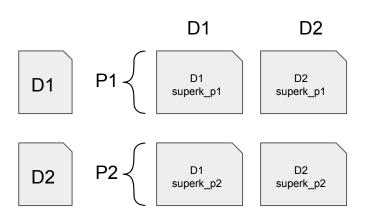


Step 1: Compute minimizers repartition

- Compute minimizers frequency
- Dispatch minimizers in *p* partitions.
- These partitions will contain the k-mers of our data sets.
 The idea is to have an equivalent number of k-mers per partition.

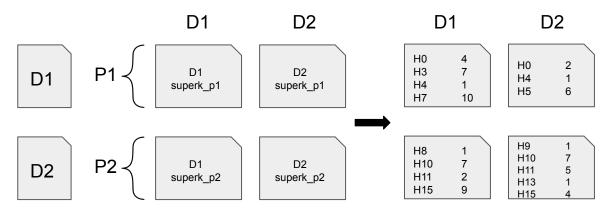
Step 2: Compute super-k-mers from reads

- Dispatch super-k-mers in their partitions according to their minimizers



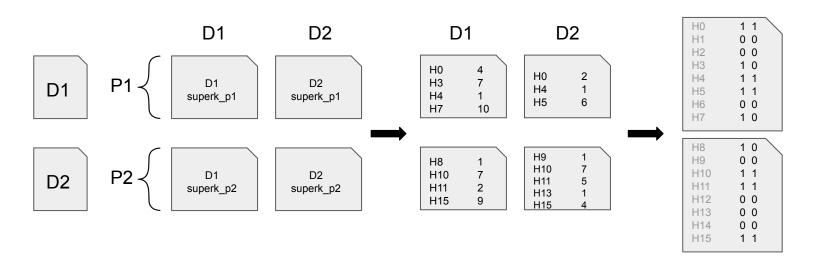
Step 3: Sorting count algorithm

- Split super-k-mers into k-mers and hash them.
- Sort: the count is given by identical consecutive hashes.
- Hash spaces are **specific and consecutive** according to the partitions (== according to a set of minimizers).

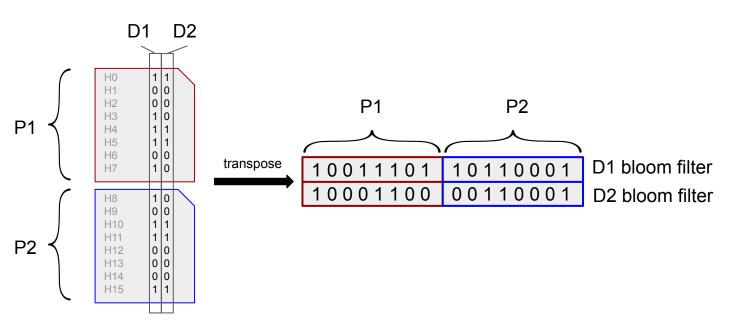


Step 4: Merge equivalent partitions between datasets

- Add **empty lines for missing hashes** (k-mers)
- Hashes are **not stored** but are given by line numbers

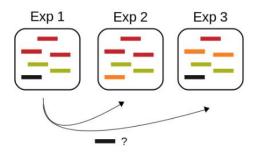


Step 5: Transpose each partition to obtains individual bloom filters



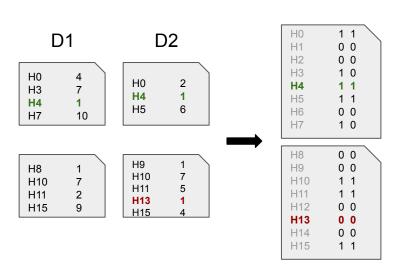
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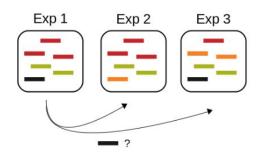
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kmtricks results

Indexing of 100 human RNA-seq read sets:

- Comparison vs HowDeSBT classical construction

	Time	Max memory	Max disk usage
HowDeSBT makebf	2h27	13.2 GB	55.1 GB
kmtricks	35min48s	3.5 GB	56.6 GB

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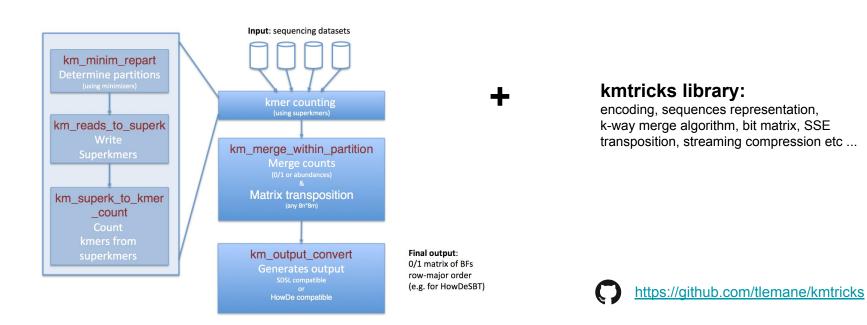
Indexing of 674 human RNA-seq read sets (> 1 TB gzip):

- Comparison vs HowDeSBT classical construction

	Time	Max memory	Max disk usage
HowDeSBT makebf	59h03	13.2 GB	206 GB
kmtricks	22h10	22 GB	1.5 TB
kmtricks w/o merge	17h56	21 GB	238 GB

kmtricks overview

Modular k-mer count matrix and Bloom filter construction for large read collections



Conclusion & Future work

- Improves bf construction time but it's still very insufficient to hope to scale up on the very large databases

Application on medium/large scale dataset: TARA Ocean (running)

- Take advantage of better data locality:
 - The query can be seen as a set of super-k-mers (corresponding to a **set of minimizers**)
 - For a query, we probably don't need the whole set of partitions.

Thank you •••



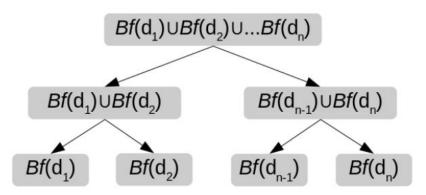
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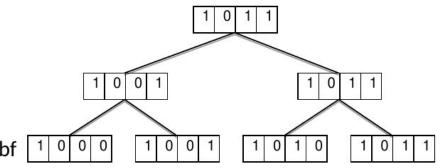
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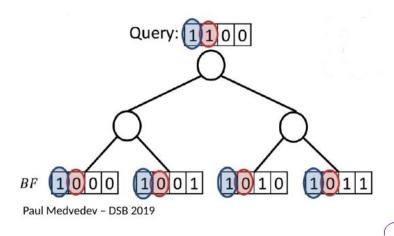
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Sequence Bloom Tree





HowDeSBT



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