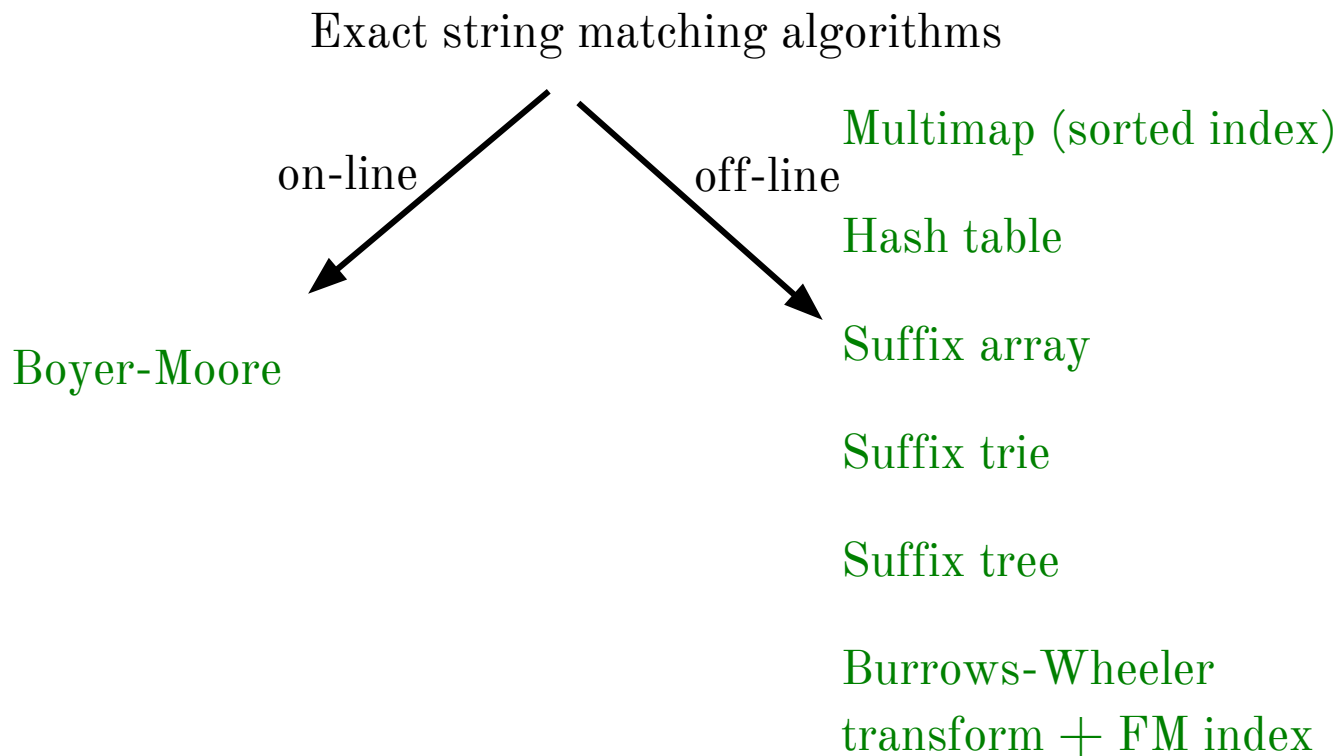


1. Bioinformatic workflows.
2. Variant calling.
3. Cancer analysis.

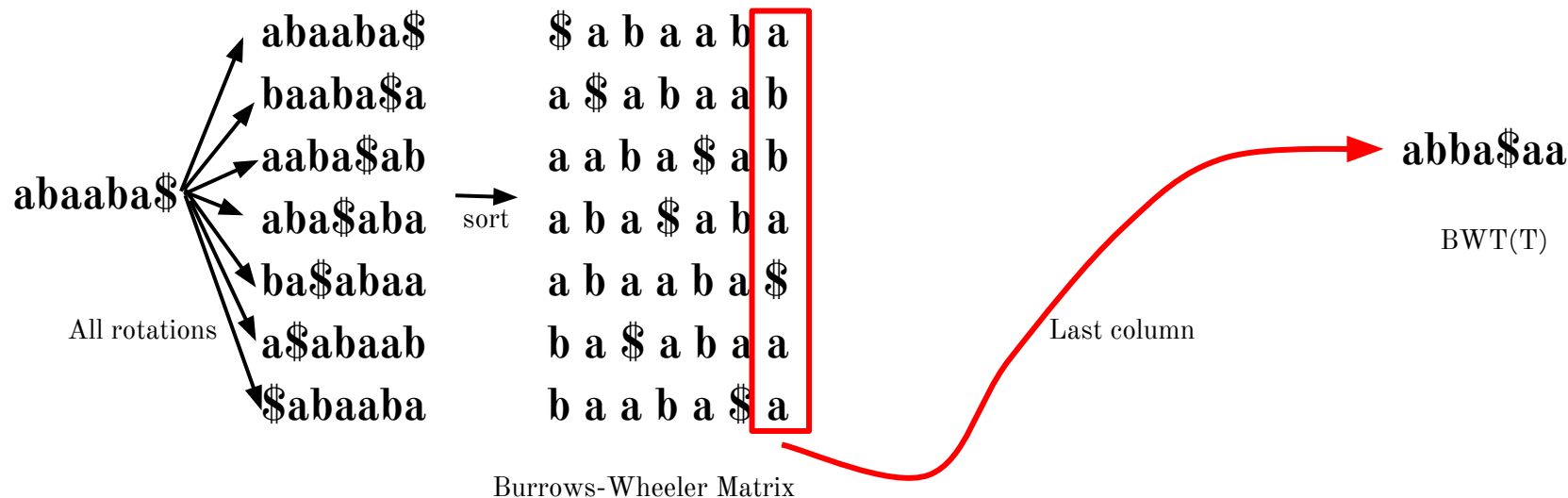
Lesson 05

Recapitulation



Burrows-Wheeler Transform

Reversible permutation of the characters of a string, used originally for compression



How is it useful for compression?

How is it reversible?

How is it an index?

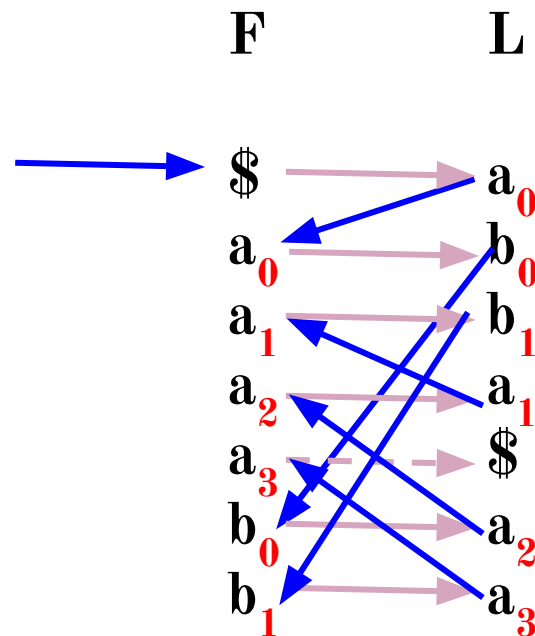
Burrows-Wheeler Transform: reversing

Reverse BWT(T) starting at right-hand-side of T and moving left

Start in first row. F must have \$.

L contains character just prior to \$: a_0

...



Reverse of chars we visited = $a_3 b_1 a_1 a_2 b_0 a_0 \$ = T$

FM Index: querying

Look for range of rows of BWM(T) with P as prefix

Do this for P's shortest suffix, then extend to successively longer suffixes until range becomes empty or we've exhausted P

$P = ab\mathbf{a}$

\$	a	b	a	a	b	a	a_0
a_0	\$	a	b	a	a	b_0	a_0
a_1	a	b	a	\$	a	b_1	a_1
a_2	b	a	\$	a	b	a_1	a_2
a_3	b	a	a	b	a	\$	a_3
b_0	a	a	b	a	\$	a_2	b_0
b_1	a	\$	a	b	a	a_3	b_1

Look at those rows in L.

b_0, b_1 are b-s occurring just to left.

Use LF Mapping. Let new range delimit those b-s

$P = a\mathbf{b}a$

\$	a	b	a	a	b	a	a_0
a_0	\$	a	b	a	a	b_0	a_0
a_1	a	b	a	\$	a	b_1	a_1
a_2	b	a	\$	a	b	a_1	a_2
a_3	b	a	a	b	a	\$	a_3
b_0	a	a	b	a	\$	a_2	b_0
b_1	a	\$	a	b	a	a_3	b_1

FM Index: querying

We have rows beginning with **ba**, now we seek rows beginning with **aba**

$P = \text{a} \textcolor{red}{ba}$

\$	a	b	a	a	b	a	₀
a	₀	\$	a	b	a	a	b
a	₁	a	b	a	\$	a	b
a	₂	b	a	\$	a	b	a
a	₃	b	a	a	b	a	\$
<div style="border: 1px dashed red; padding: 2px;">b</div>	₀	a	a	b	a	\$	<div style="border: 1px solid red; padding: 2px;">a</div>
<div style="border: 1px dashed red; padding: 2px;">b</div>	₁	a	\$	a	b	a	<div style="border: 1px solid red; padding: 2px;">a</div>

Occurs just to the left

$P = \textcolor{red}{aba}$

F							L
\$	a	b	a	a	b	a	₀
a	₀	\$	a	b	a	a	b
a	₁	a	b	a	\$	a	b
<div style="border: 1px solid red; padding: 2px;">a</div>	₂	b	a	\$	a	b	a
<div style="border: 1px solid red; padding: 2px;">a</div>	₃	b	a	a	b	a	\$
b	₀	a	a	b	a	\$	a
b	₁	a	\$	a	b	a	a

Use LF mapping

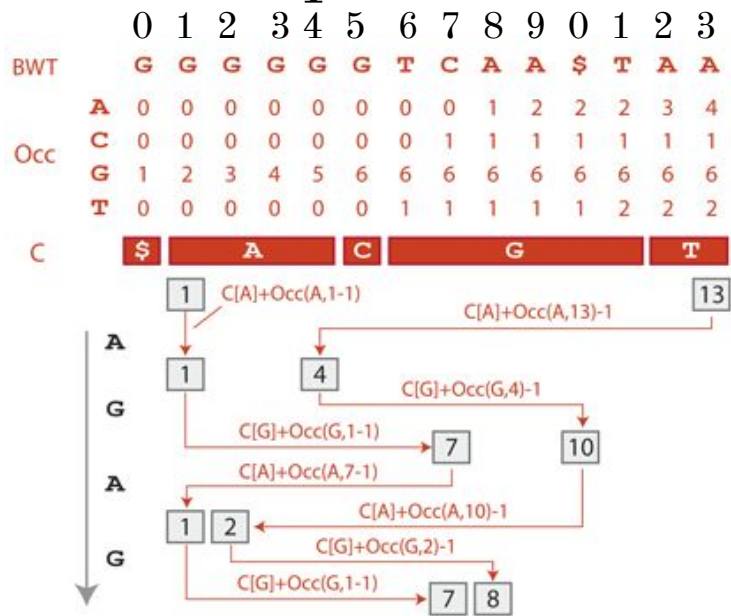
Now we have the rows with prefix **aba**

FM Index

1. $L = \text{BWT}(T)$
2. First column (number of appearances of each character)
3. Suffix Array (or SA Sample)
4. Tally (rank, occurrences) matrix

FM Index: Example

Search for:
GAGA



13	6	8	10	1	4	12	5	7	9	0	3	11	2
\$	A	A	A	A	C	G	G	G	G	G	T	T	
G	G	G	G	T	G	A	A	A	A	A	G	G	
A	A	A	A	C	A	G	G	G	G	G	C	C	
T	T	T	T	G	T	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	
\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	

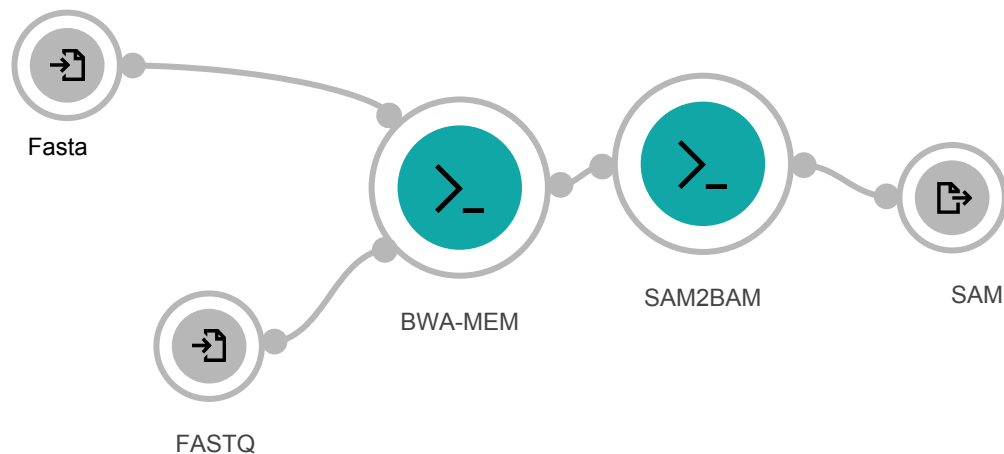
Bioinformatic workflows and cloud computing

Lesson 05.1

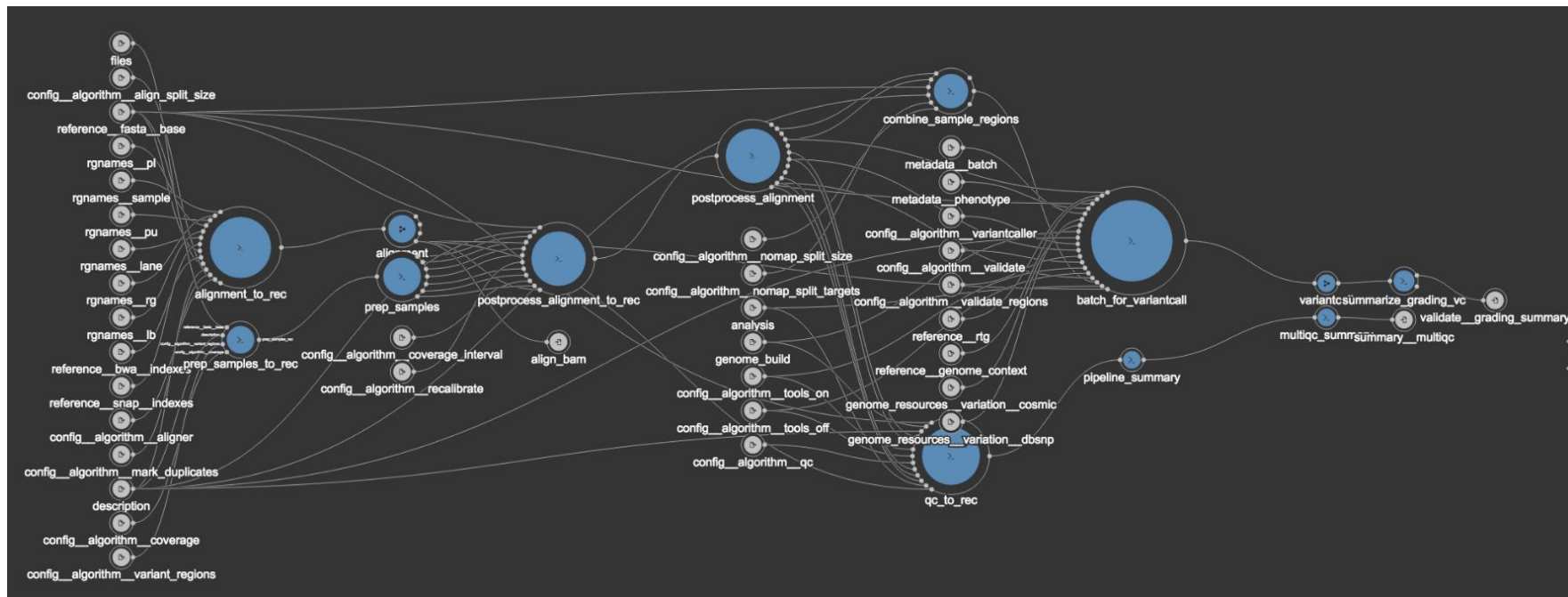
What is a workflow?

- Acyclic graph of tools connected to perform some analysis
- Workflow's nodes are:
 - Inputs (file or parameter)
 - Tools
 - Outputs
 - Workflow

```
bwa mem ref.fa read1.fq read2.fq >
aln.sam
sam2bam aln.sam > aln.bam
```



Why we need a workflow?



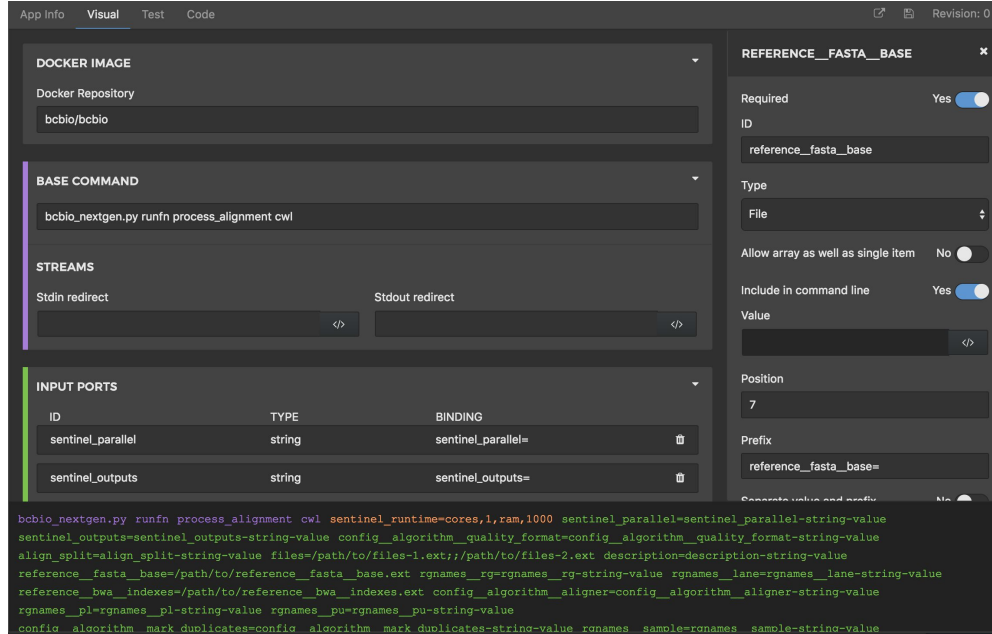
- ```

1- {
2 "class": "CommandLineTool",
3 "cwlVersion": "v1.0",
4 "id": "bggadang/hcbio-vc-tools-and-workflow/process_alignment/0",
5 "baseCommand": [
6 "hcbio_nextgen.py",
7 "runfn",
8 "process_alignment",
9 "cwl"
10],
11 "inputs": [
12 {
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14 "type": "string",
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18 "prefix": "sentinel_parallel=",
19 "separate": false,
20 "itemSeparator": ";;"
21 },
22 "secondaryFiles": []
23 },
24 {
25 "default": "work_bam,align_bam,hla__fastq,work_bam_plus_disc,work_bam_plus_sr",
26 "type": "string",
27 "id": "sentinel_outputs",
28 "inputBinding": {
29 "position": 1,
30 "prefix": "sentinel_outputs=",
31 "separate": false,
32 "itemSeparator": ";;"
33 },
34 "secondaryFiles": []
35 },
36 {
37 "type": "string",
38 "id": "config_algorithm_quality_format",
39 "inputBinding": {
40 "position": 2,
41 "prefix": "config_algorithm_quality_format=",
42 "separate": false,
43 "itemSeparator": ";;"
44 }
45 }
46]
47 }

```

# Common Workflow Language

- **Reproducible** analyses (standard)
- Scalable execution
- Metadata & file registry integration
- **Portability** - deployable on multiple platforms
- Revision management and versioning
- User management / permissions



The screenshot displays the CWL Visual editor interface. The main panel is divided into several sections:

- DOCKER IMAGE:** A dropdown menu showing 'bcbio/bcbio'.
- BASE COMMAND:** A text area containing 'bcbio\_nextgen.py runfn process\_alignment cwl'.
- STREAMS:** A section for Stdin redirect and Stdout redirect, each with a code editor icon.
- INPUT PORTS:** A table with columns ID, TYPE, and BINDING.

| ID                | TYPE   | BINDING            |
|-------------------|--------|--------------------|
| sentinel_parallel | string | sentinel_parallel= |
| sentinel_outputs  | string | sentinel_outputs=  |

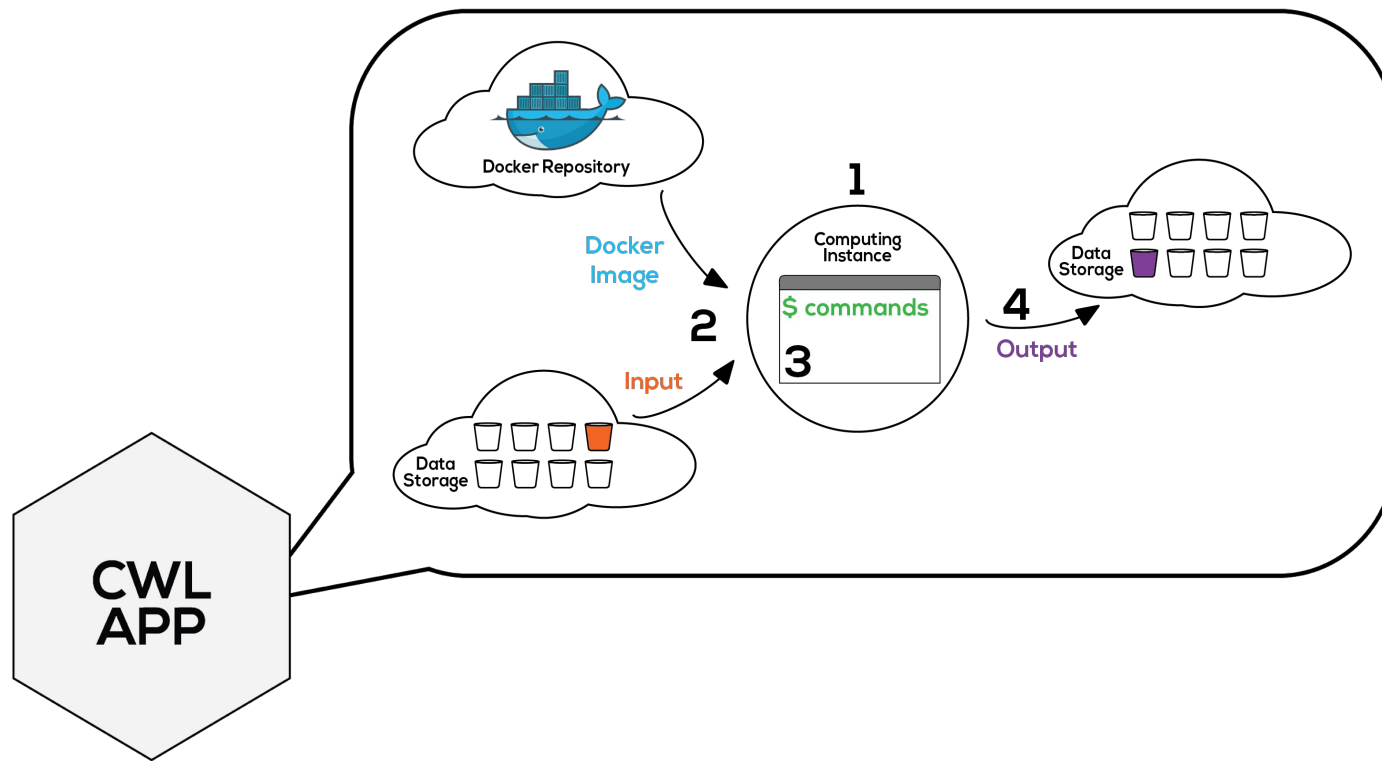
On the right side, a sidebar shows the configuration for 'REFERENCE\_FASTA\_BASE':

- Required:** Yes (toggle on)
- ID:** reference\_fasta\_base
- Type:** File
- Allow array as well as single item:** No (toggle off)
- Include in command line:** Yes (toggle on)
- Value:** (empty text field)
- Position:** 7
- Prefix:** reference\_fasta\_base=

At the bottom, a code editor shows the generated CWL command:

```
bcbio_nextgen.py runfn process_alignment cwl sentinel_runtime-cores,1,ram,1000 sentinel_parallel=sentinel_parallel-string-value sentinel_outputs=sentinel_outputs-string-value config_algorithm_quality format=config_algorithm_quality_format-string-value align_split-align_split-string-value files=/path/to/files-1.ext;/path/to/files-2.ext description=description-string-value reference_fasta_base=/path/to/reference_fasta_base.ext rgnames_rg=rgnames_rg-string-value rgnames_lane=rgnames_lane-string-value reference_bwa_indexes=/path/to/reference_bwa_indexes.ext config_algorithm_aligner=config_algorithm_aligner-string-value rgnames_pl=rgnames_pl-string-value rgnames_pu=rgnames_pu-string-value config_algorithm_mark_duplicates=config_algorithm_mark_duplicates-string-value rgnames_sample=rgnames_sample-string-value
```

# CWL @ Cloud



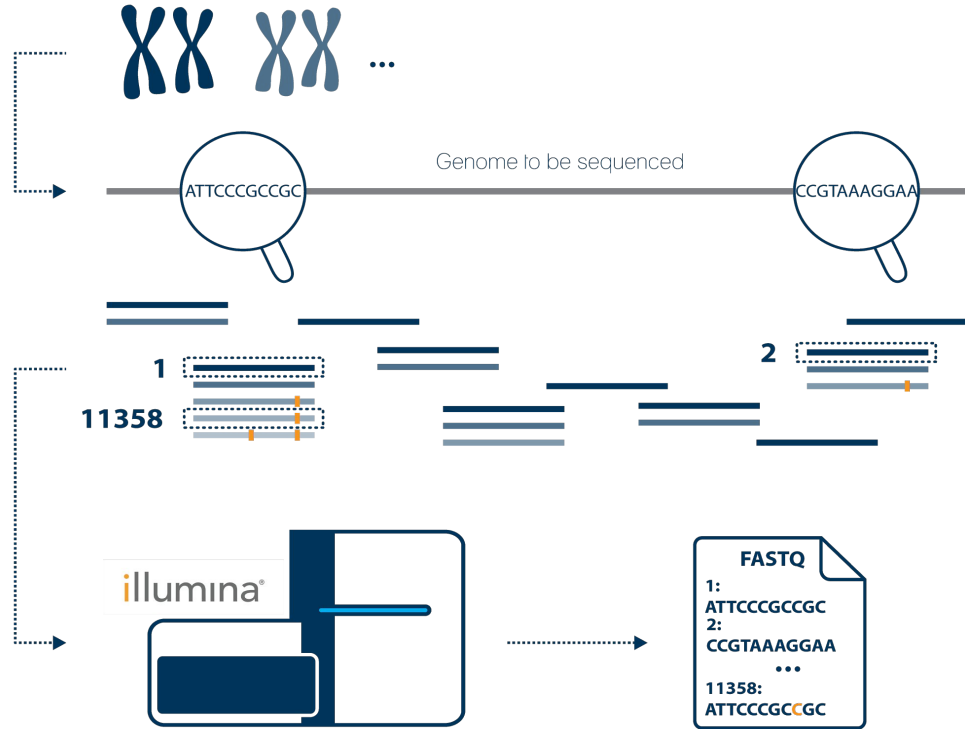
# Variant Calling

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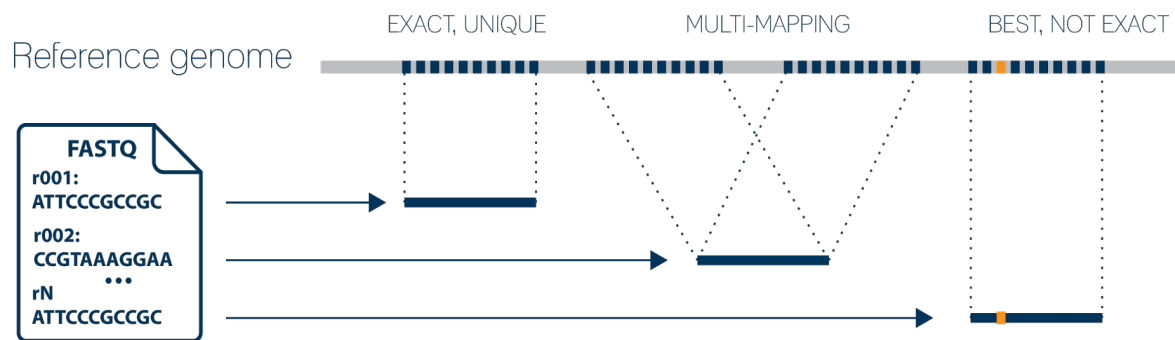
# Reminder: DNA Sequencing

We got a FASTQ files with the “reads” – little pieces of the genome.





# Reminder: Alignment



# Introduction to Variant calling

- Variant calling is the process of finding differences between reference genome and observed sample
- We need aligned reads to the reference genome so we can find – “call” variants
- Different types of genomic variants



# Genomic Variants

Single nucleotide variant



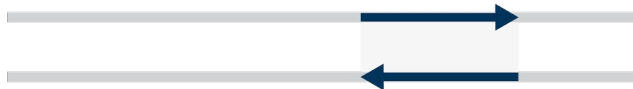
Deletion



Insertion



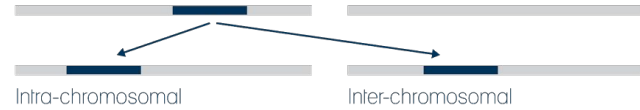
Inversion



Copy number variant



Translocation



Whole genome duplication



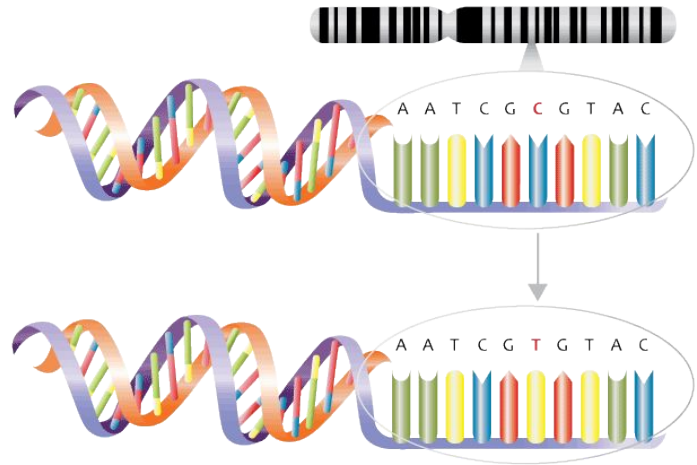
Duplication



# Genomic Variants

- SNV ( Single Nucleotide Variant)

Simple ones - not a big change on the first look, but...

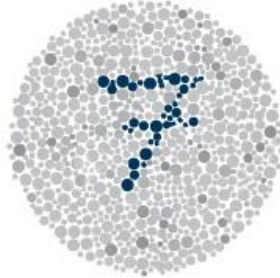


# Genomic Variants

Each of those characteristics causes one SNV



LONGER EYELASHES



DALTONISM



LESS SLEEPING



SUPER STRENGTH

# Genomic Variants

**Breast Cancer**

**BRCA2** gene (TS)

**SNV id : rs1799954**

Chromosome 13  
Position 32,340,455

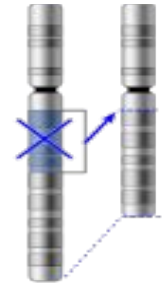
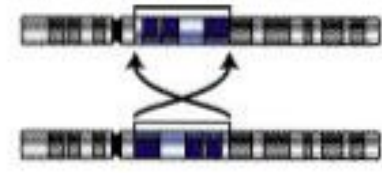
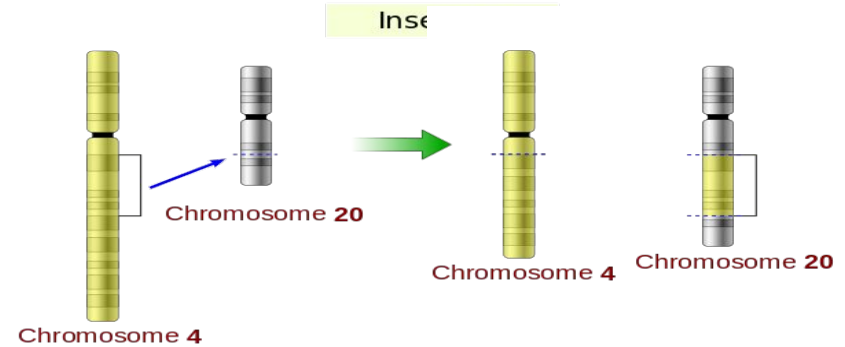
**Cancer genotypes: CC, CT and TT**

[http://www.eupedia.com/genetics/cancer\\_related\\_snp.shtml](http://www.eupedia.com/genetics/cancer_related_snp.shtml)

<https://www.snpedia.com/index.php/Rs1799954>

# Genomic Variants

Deletions, Insertions,  
Translocations, Inversions,  
and some others...

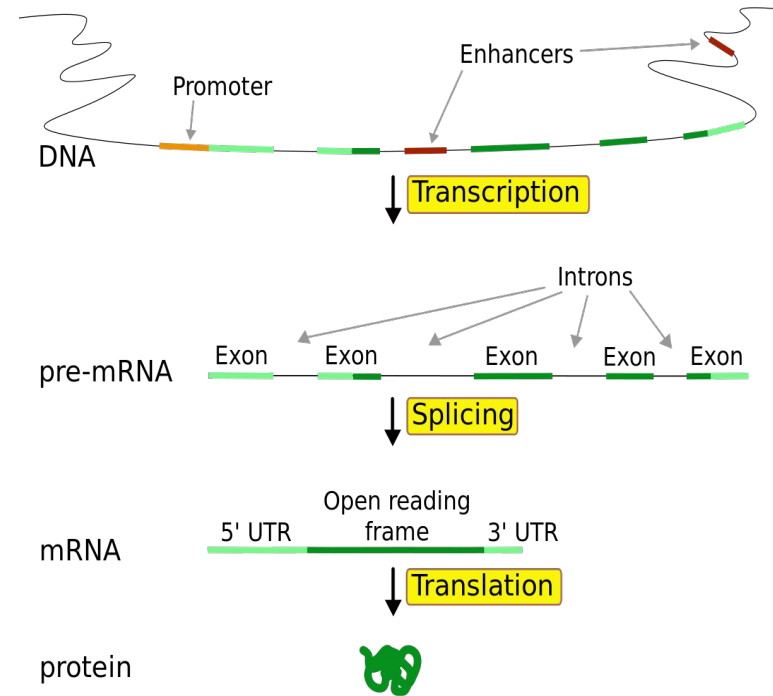


# Genomic Variants

Based on the variant location,  
we can predict if mutation will  
have impact.

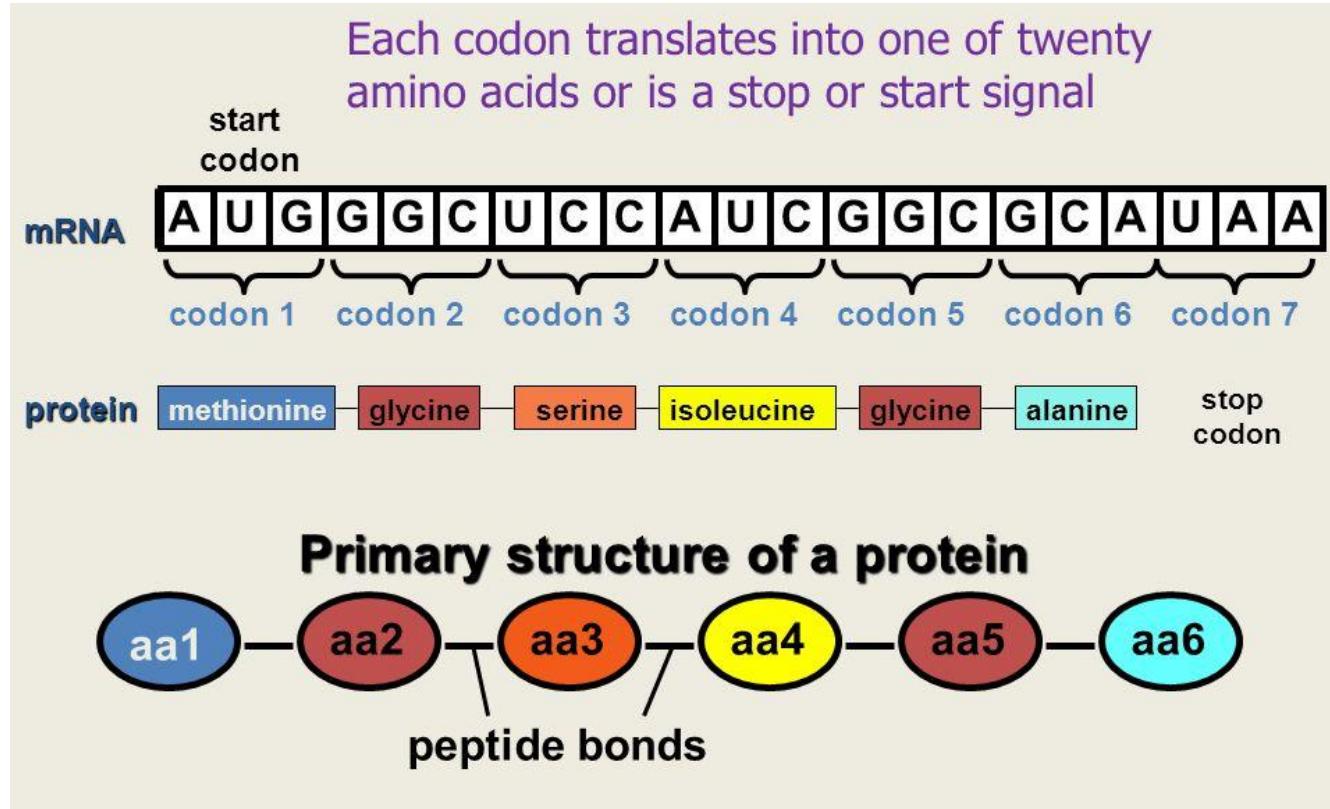


- Central dogma





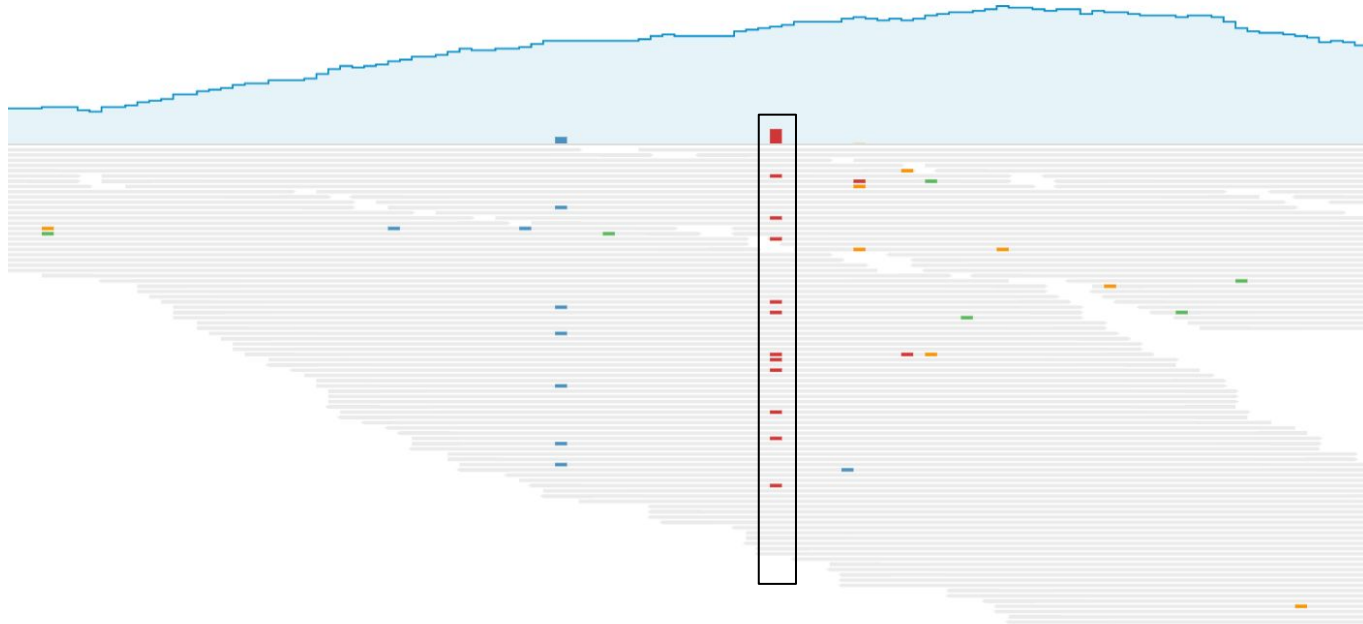
# RNA to Protein



# Genomic Variants

- Variants can have different impact on human cells and organism
- Single Nucleotide Variants(**SNV**):
  - Harmless
    - **Silent** – Usually no effect
  - Harmful:
    - **Missense** – Amino acid change
    - **Nonsense**(Start/Stop Gain/Lost) – AUG / UAG, UAA, UGA
  - Depends on the location
    - **Noncoding regions** ( Promoter, Enhancer, lncRNA, miRNA...)
- Insertions/Deletions – **INDELS**
  - **In frame**
  - **Out of frame (Frameshift)**

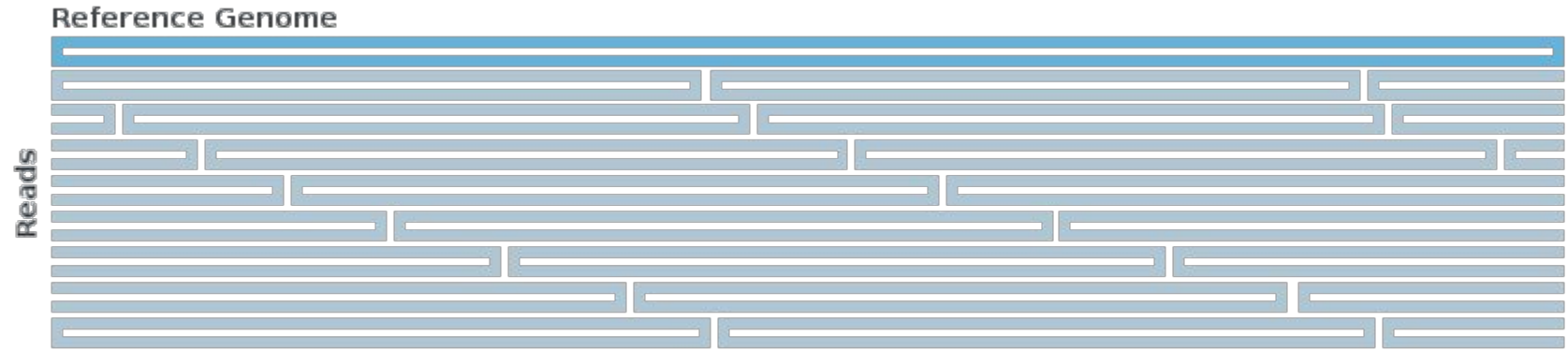
# What is the pileup?



# Ideal Variant Calling



# Ideal Variant Calling

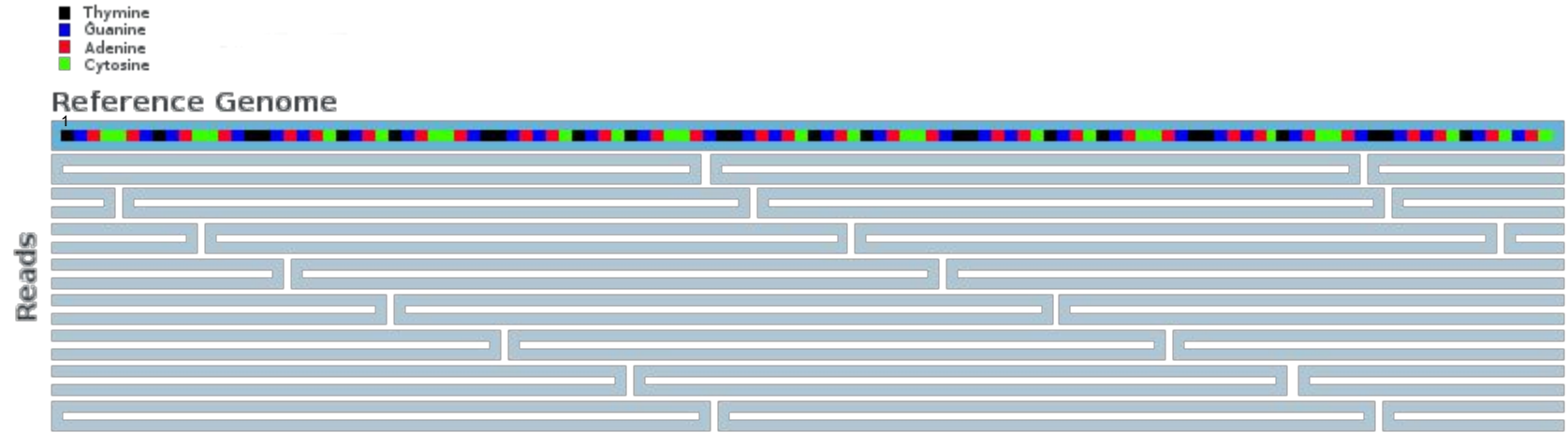


Ideally we will have uniform distribution of reads.

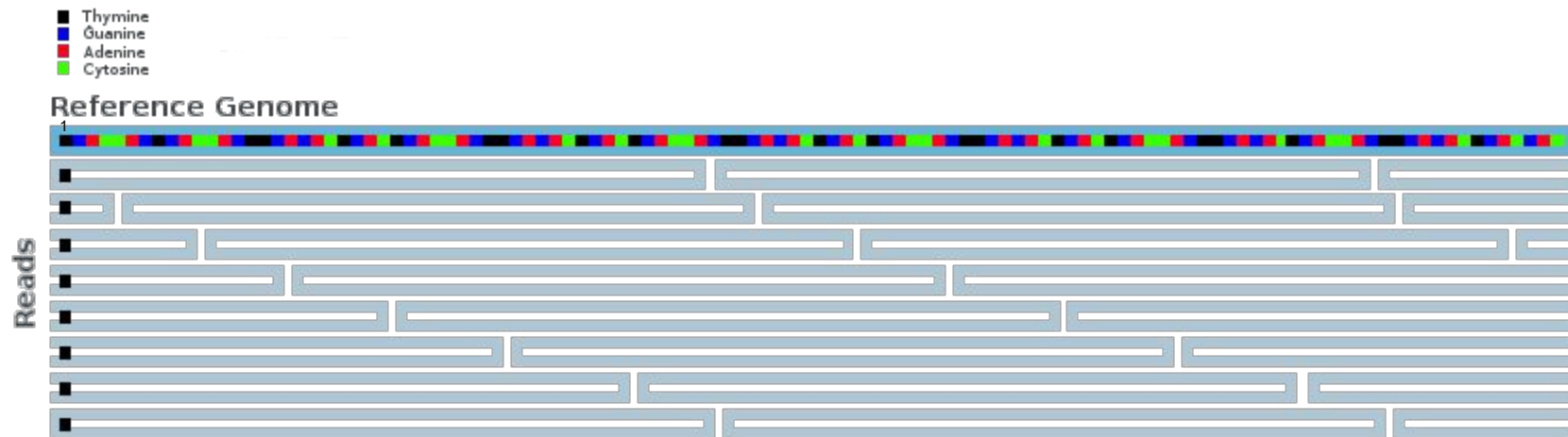
# Ideal Variant Calling



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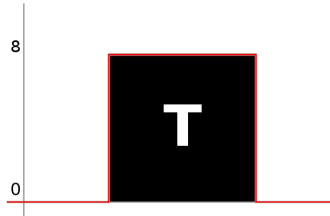
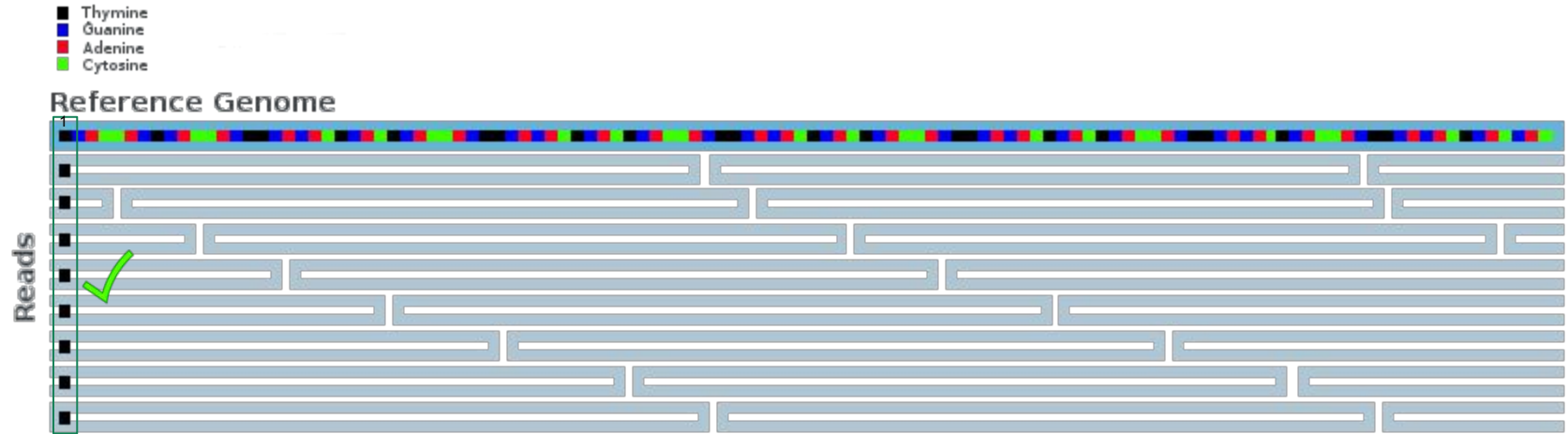


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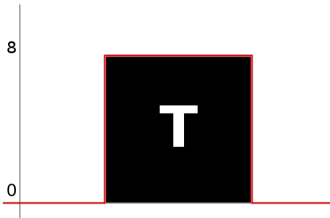
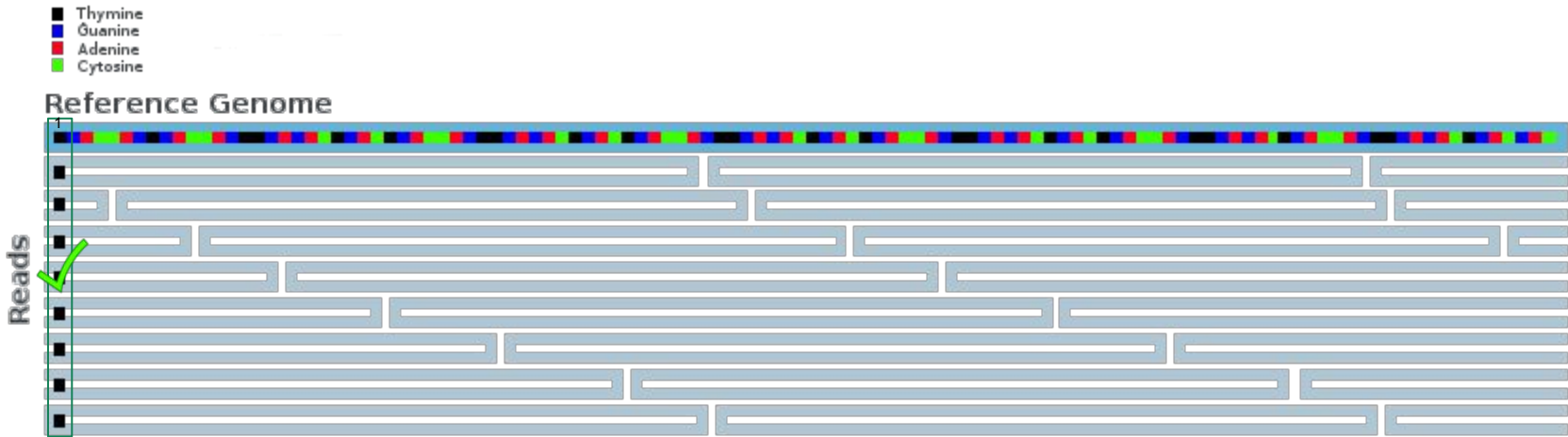


# Ideal Variant Calling



- We have “T” in the all reads covering that position

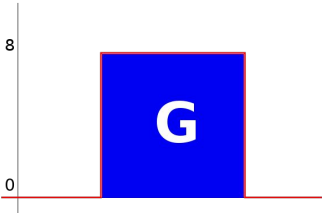
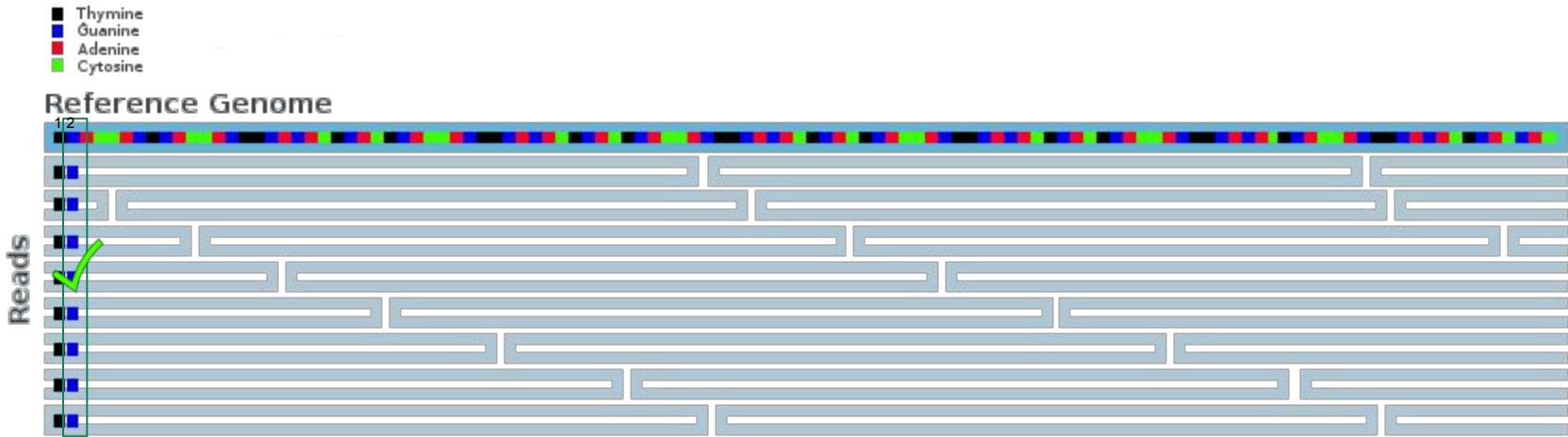
# Ideal Variant Calling



How can we represent what we have observed?

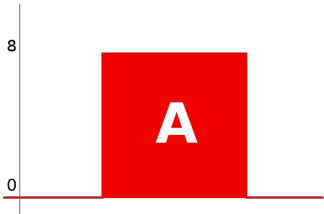
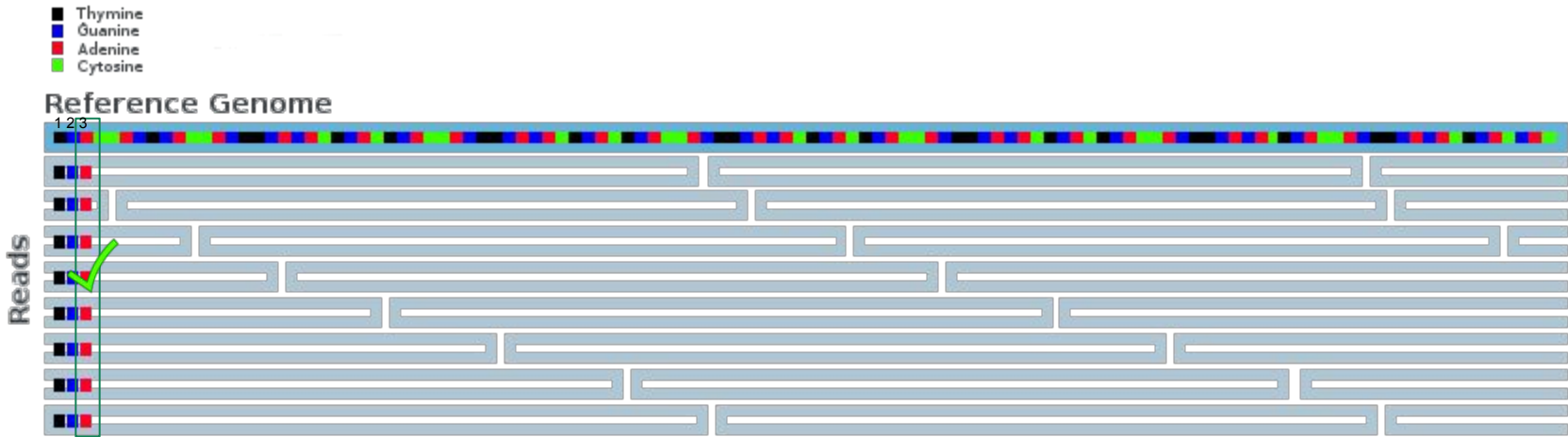
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# Ideal Variant Calling



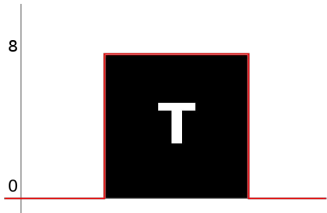
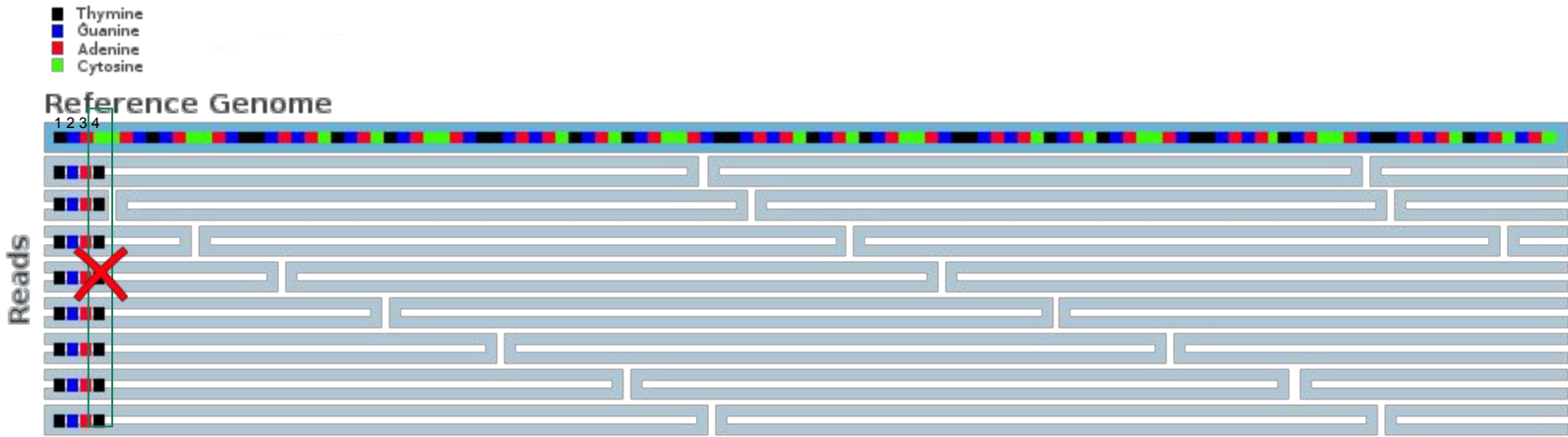
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# Ideal Variant Calling



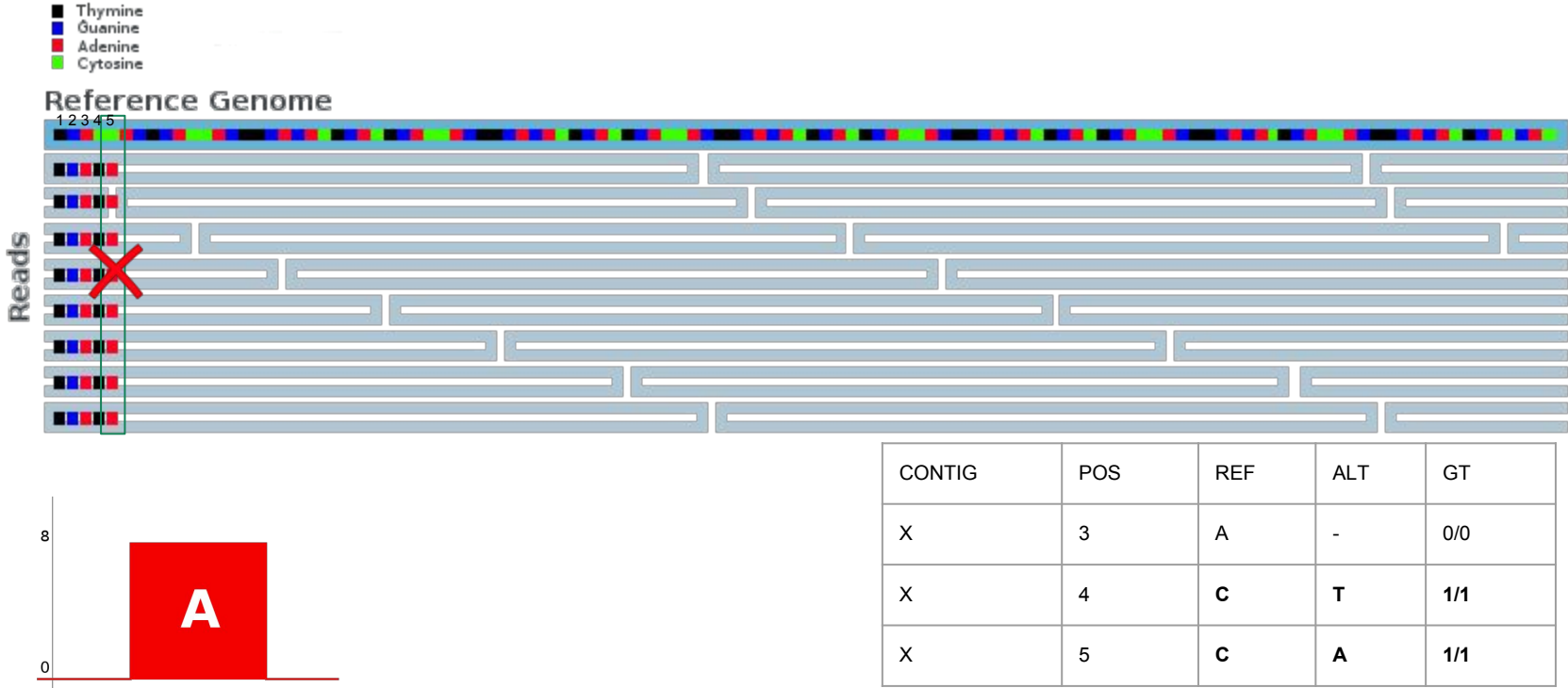
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| X      | 2   | G   | -   | 0/0 |
| X      | 3   | A   | -   | 0/0 |

# Ideal Variant Calling

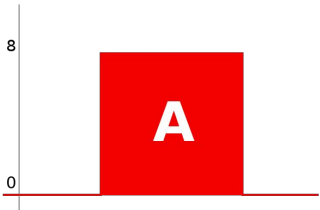
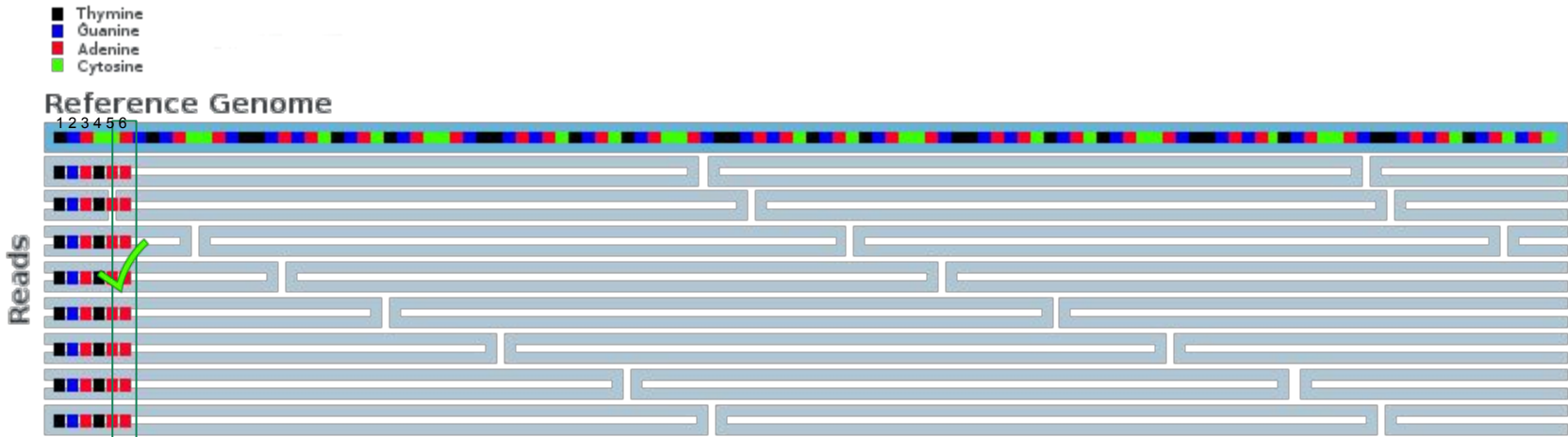


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# Ideal Variant Calling

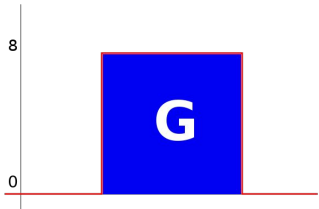
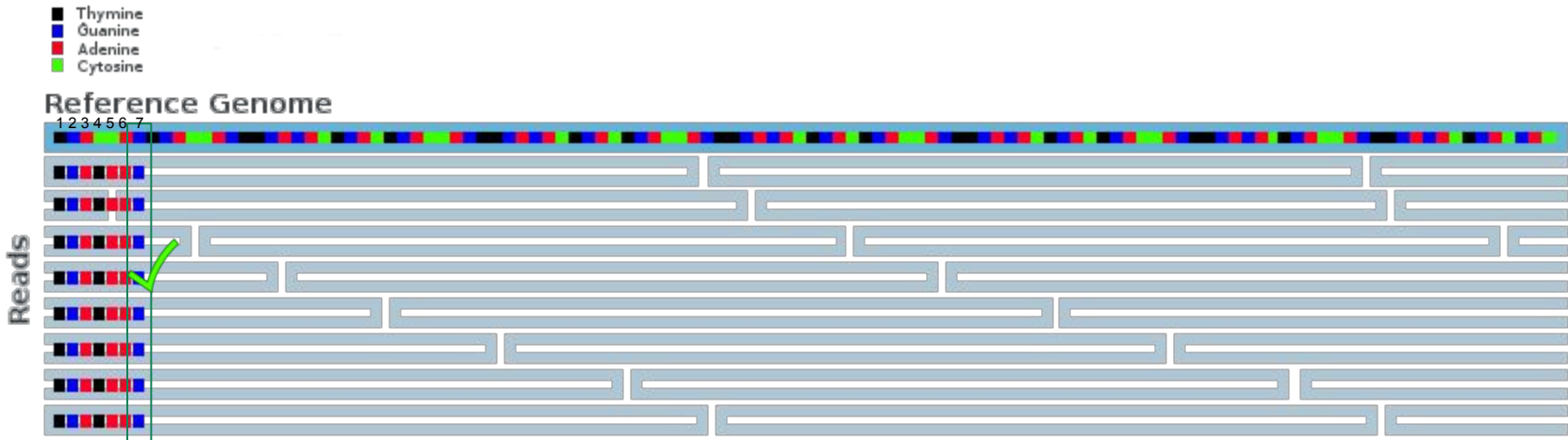


# Ideal Variant Calling



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| X      | 5   | C   | A   | 1/1 |
| X      | 6   | A   | -   | 0/0 |

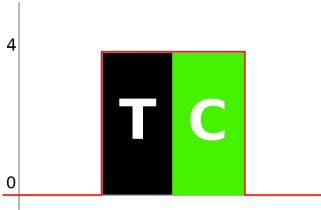
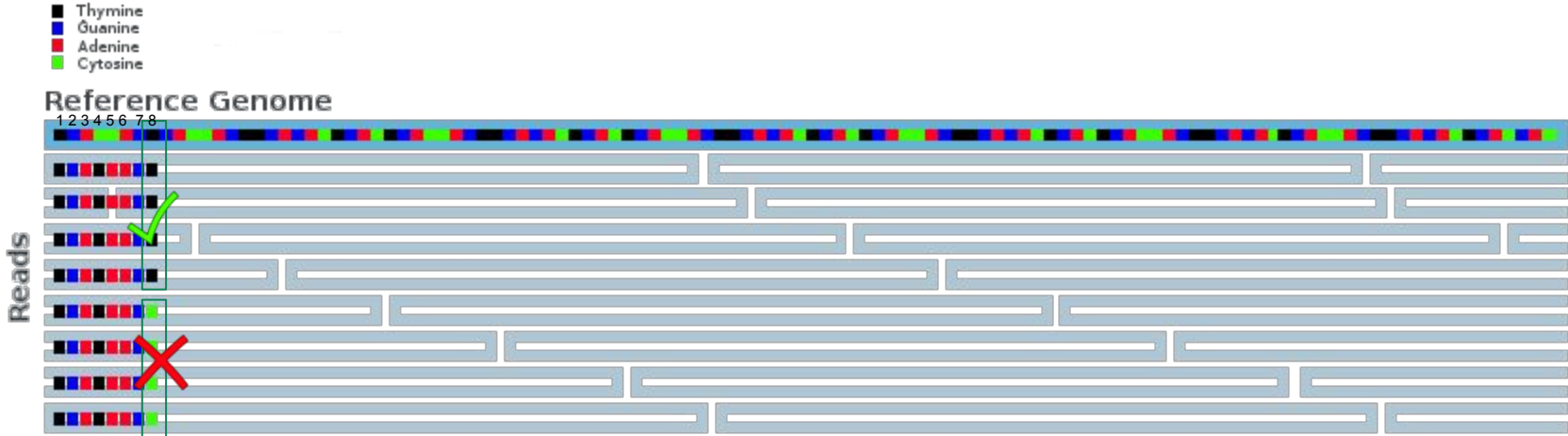
# Ideal Variant Calling



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| X      | 7   | G   | -   | 0/0 |

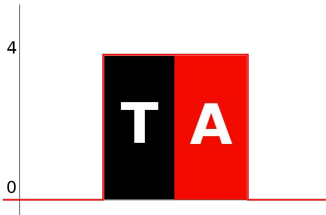
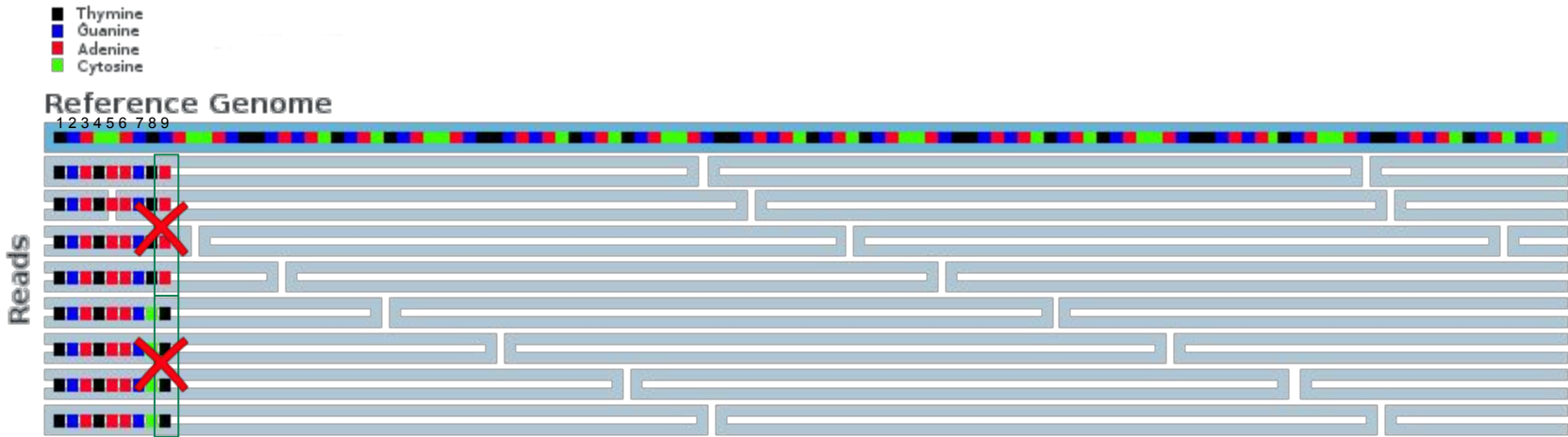


# Ideal Variant Calling



| CONTIG | POS | REF | ALT | GT  |
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| X      | 6   | A   | -   | 0/0 |
| X      | 7   | G   | -   | 0/0 |
| X      | 8   | T   | C   | 0/1 |

# Ideal Variant Calling



| CONTIG | POS | REF | ALT | GT  |
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| X      | 7   | G   | -   | 0/0 |
| X      | 8   | T   | C   | 0/1 |
| X      | 9   | G   | A,T | 1/2 |

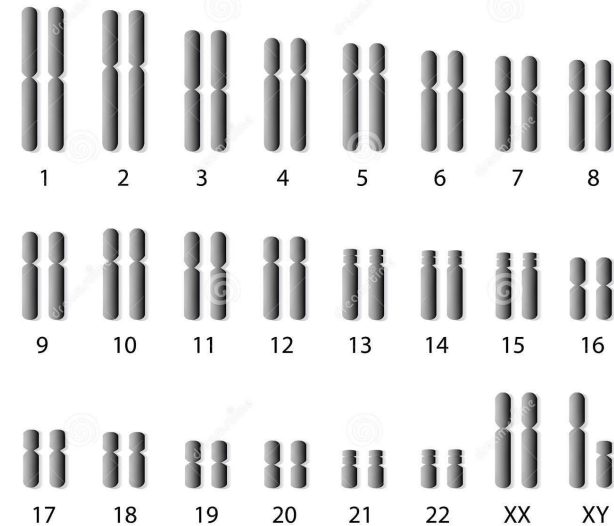
# Variant Calling

- Two possible cases:
  1. All of the bases in pileup are the same nucleotide [A,T,C,G]
  2. Different nucleotides exist in the pileup

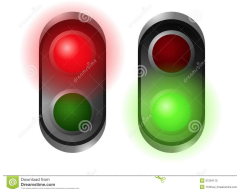
- In the simplest case, assume diploidy
  - There can be only two alleles at a site
  - If there are more than two different letters in the pileup we will only consider the most common two (assume others are errors and discard them)



Normal Human Karyotype



## Hypothetical - traffic light problem

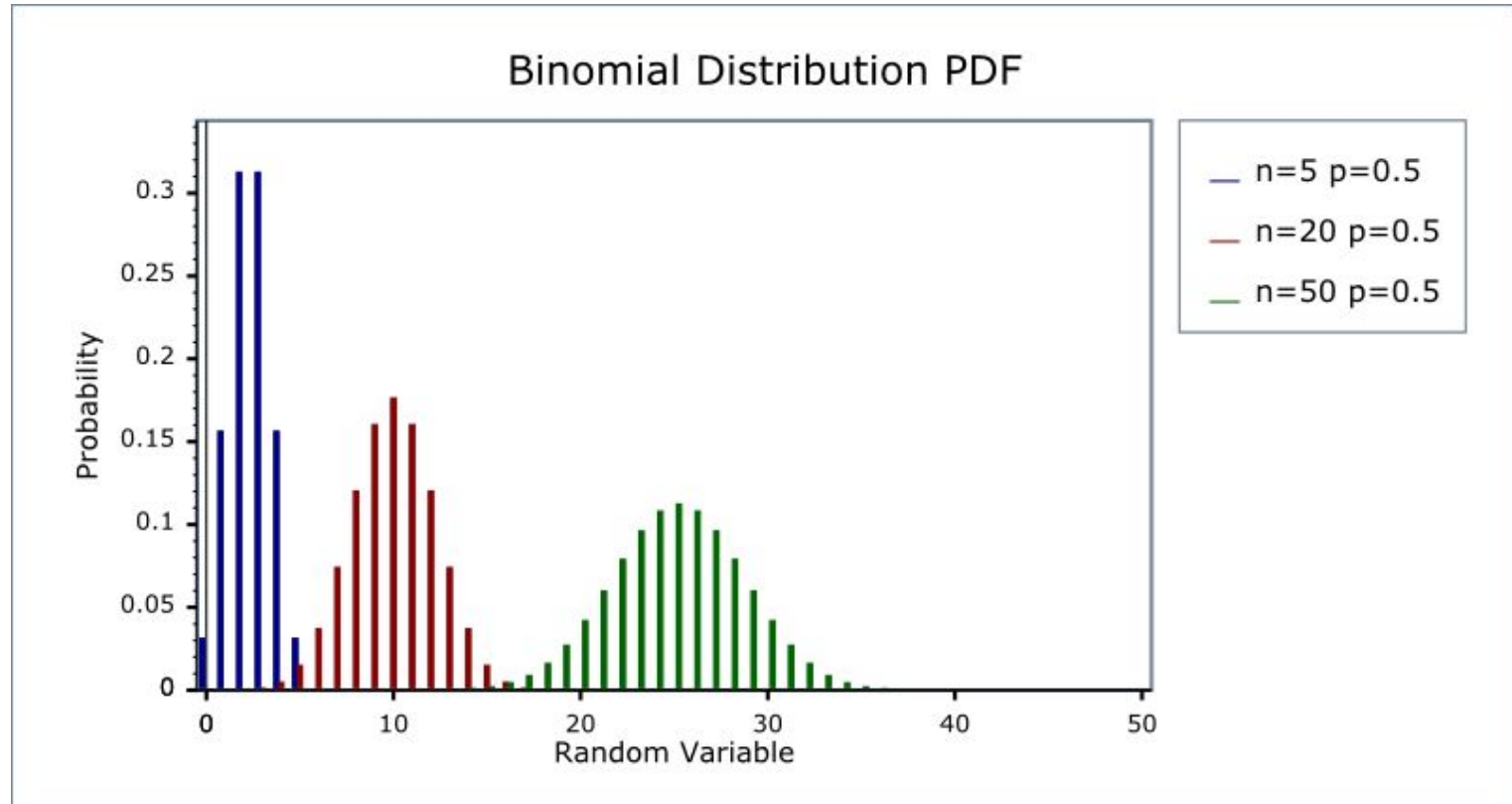


# Binomial distribution

- Models the number of successes in a sequence of yes/no experiments
- Parameters:
  - $n$  - number of trials
  - $p$  - probability of a success in a single trial
  - Probability that  $K$  out of  $n$  trials will be success

$$f(k; n, p) = \Pr(X = k) = \binom{n}{k} p^k (1 - p)^{n-k}$$

# Binomial distribution



# Variant Calling

- So, when we have two letters in the pileup, what should we call?
  - Let's call the two "letters" **b** and **b'** ( $b, b' \in [A, C, T, G]$ )
  - Let **n** be the total number of bases, and **k** number of **b'** bases
  - Three possible explanations for the pileup:
    - Genotype is **bb**; **k** bases are errors, **n-k** are correct
    - Genotype is **b'b'**; **n-k** bases are errors, **k** are correct
    - Genotype is **bb'**; all **n** bases are correct
  - Now we need to find the probabilities of these three cases
    - Will pick the most probable one!

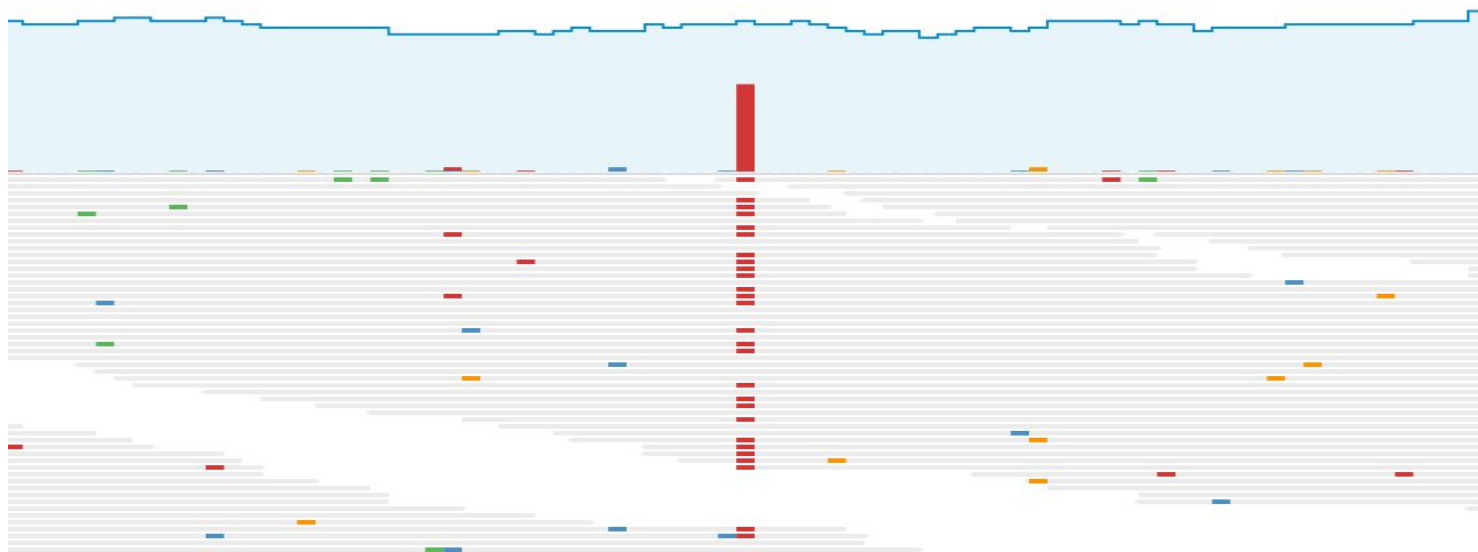
# Variant Calling – advance

- We assumed a flat error rate
  - But we have Base qualities from the sequencer
  - Machine-specific error profiles
- We can look at mapping qualities
  - Mapping errors are a big source of errors
- We can look at haplotypes
  - Errors don't segregate nicely
- Population-based methods
  - Separate variant calling from genotyping





# Variant calling results – check out BAM file



| CHR | POS   | REF | ALT | FORMAT  | NA12877  |
|-----|-------|-----|-----|---------|----------|
| 1   | 14125 | T   | C   | GT, VAF | 0/1, 0.6 |

# Variant calling results

- The result of Variant Calling is a file in VCF format, which contains mutations
- A plain text file format for storing variant data
- A number of line starting with `##` -the header
- Main header line:  
`#CHROM POS ID REF ALT QUAL FILTER INFO FORMAT SAMPLE1`
- This is followed by the actual variant data, one entry per line  
`22 10001 . A C 40 PASS DP=14 GT 0/1`
- More than one sample can be in one line
- For details: <http://samtools.github.io/hts-specs/VCFv4.2.pdf>

# Variant calling results

- Example of VCF format
- Each row represents one mutation

| CHR | POS   | REF | ALT | FORMAT  | NA12878  |
|-----|-------|-----|-----|---------|----------|
| 1   | 14300 | A   | G   | GT, VAF | 0/1, 0.4 |
| 2   | 15367 | A   | C   | GT, VAF | 1/1, 0.9 |
| 3   | 25612 | C   | G,A | GT, VAF | 1/2, ?   |
| 5   | 5632  | TA  | T   | GT, VAF | 0/1, 0.5 |
| 7   | 7824  | T   | TA  | GT, VAF | 1/1, 0.8 |

# Variant Calling Format File

**VCF header**

```
##fileformat=VCFv4.0
##fileDate=20100707
##source=VCFtools
##reference=NCBI36
##INFO=<ID=AA,Number=1,Type=String,Description="Ancestral Allele">
##INFO=<ID=H2,Number=0,Type=Flag,Description="HapMap2 membership">
##FORMAT=<ID=GT,Number=1,Type=String,Description="Genotype">
##FORMAT=<ID=GQ,Number=1,Type=Integer,Description="Genotype Quality (phred score)">
##FORMAT=<ID=GL,Number=3,Type=Float,Description="Likelihoods for RR,RA,AA genotypes (R=ref,A=alt)">
##FORMAT=<ID=DP,Number=1,Type=Integer,Description="Read Depth">
##ALT=<ID=DEL,Description="Deletion">
##INFO=<ID=SVTYPE,Number=1,Type=String,Description="Type of structural variant">
##INFO=<ID=END,Number=1,Type=Integer,Description="End position of the variant">
```

**Mandatory header lines**

**Optional header lines** (meta-data about the annotations in the VCF body)

**Body**

| #CHROM | POS | ID  | REF | ALT   | QUAL | FILTER | INFO               | FORMAT   | SAMPLE1  | SAMPLE2 |
|--------|-----|-----|-----|-------|------|--------|--------------------|----------|----------|---------|
| 1      | 1   | .   | ACG | A,AT  | .    | PASS   | .                  | GT:DP    | 1/2:13   | 0/0:29  |
| 1      | 2   | rs1 | C   | T,CT  | .    | PASS   | H2;AA=T            | GT:GQ    | 0 1:100  | 2/2:70  |
| 1      | 5   | .   | A   | G     | .    | PASS   | .                  | GT:GQ    | 1 0:77   | 1/1:95  |
| 1      | 100 | .   | T   | <DEL> | .    | PASS   | SVTYPE=DEL;END=300 | GT:GQ:DP | 1/1:12:3 | 0/0:20  |

**Reference alleles (GT=0)**

**Alternate alleles (GT>0 is an index to the ALT column)**

**Deletion**

**SNP**

**Large SV**

**Insertion**

**Other event**

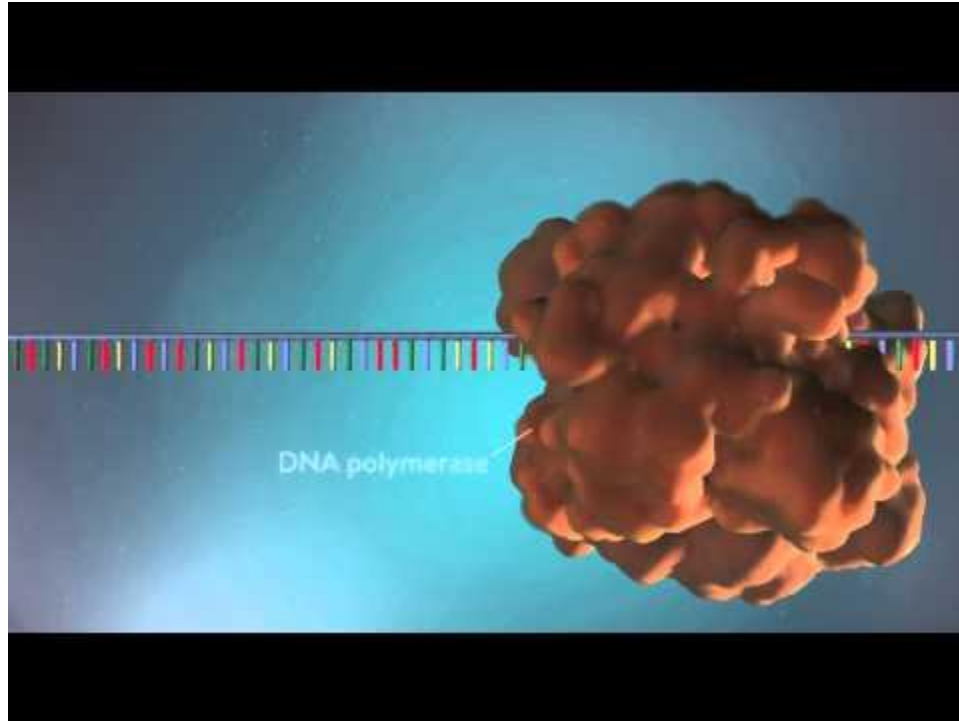
**Phased data** (G and C above are on the same chromosome)

# Computational Cancer Analysis

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# DNA replication



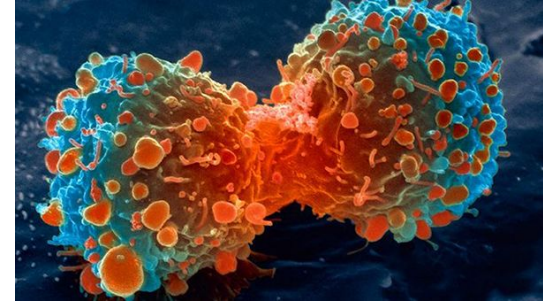
# What is cancer?

Mutation during DNA replication can fall to:

1. Intron (no change)
2. Important gene (cell dies, organism lives)
3. Gene that stops cell division (cell lives, organism...)

What causes cancer (increases probability of mutation)?

1. EM radiation
2. Chemical agents
3. Free radicals
4. Genetic factors
5. Infections (viruses)



A dividing lung cancer cell.

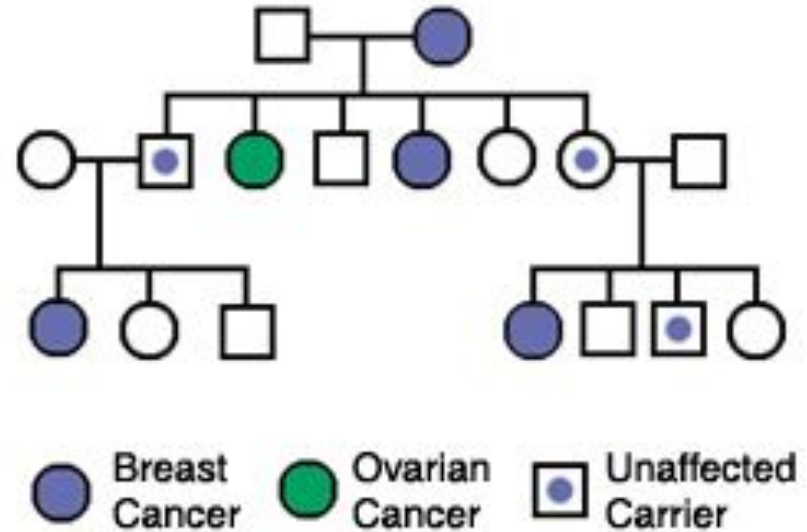
Credit: [National Institutes of Health](#)

# Genetic factors

A typical pedigree from a family with a mutation in the BRCA1 (tumor suppressor) gene

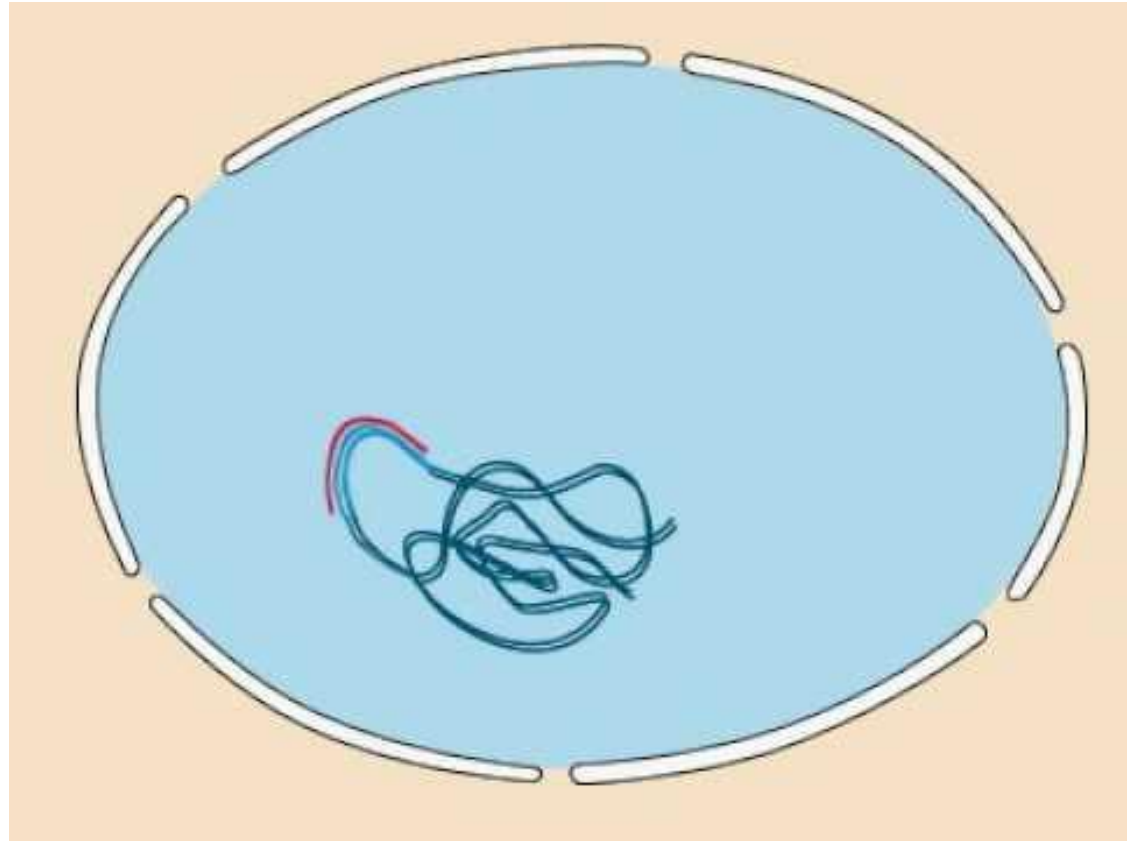
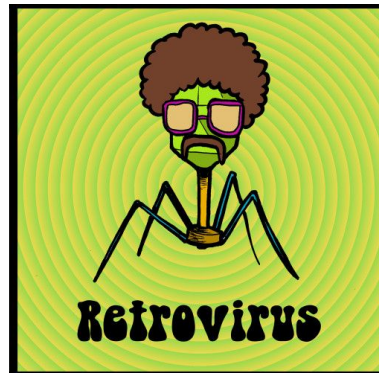
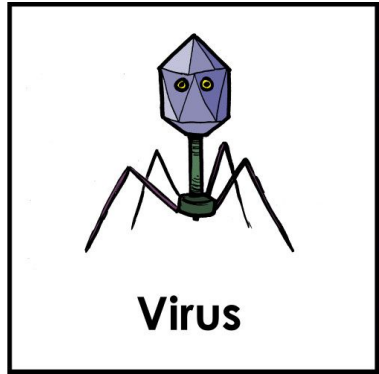
Fathers can be carriers and pass the mutation onto offspring

Not all people who inherit the mutation develop the disease, thus patterns of transmission are not always obvious





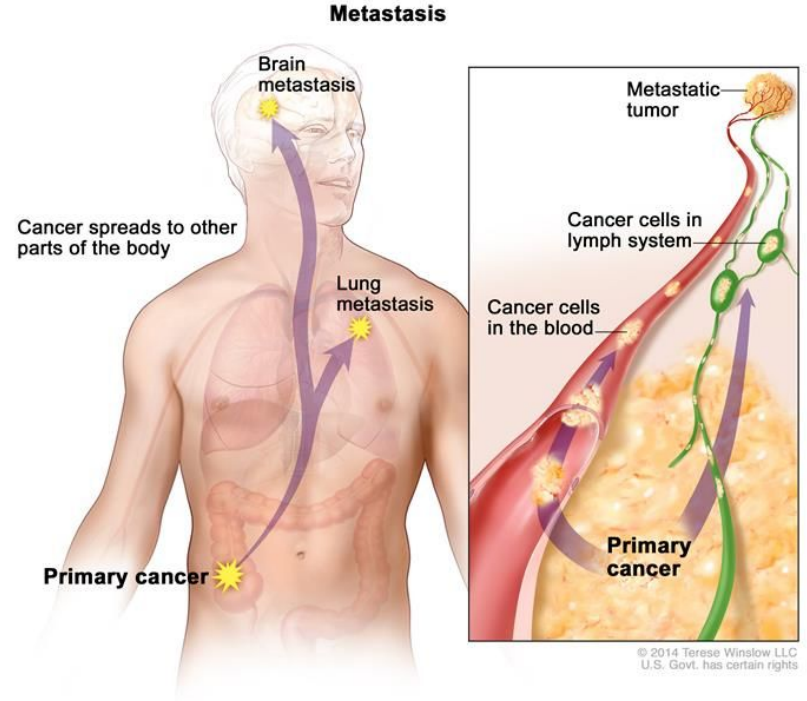
# Viruses and retroviruses



# What is metastasis?

Body's cells begin to divide without stopping and spread into surrounding tissues

Cancer cells - ignore signals that normally tell cells to stop dividing or that begin a process known as programmed cell death, or **apoptosis**, which the body uses to get rid of unneeded cells



# "Drivers" of Cancer

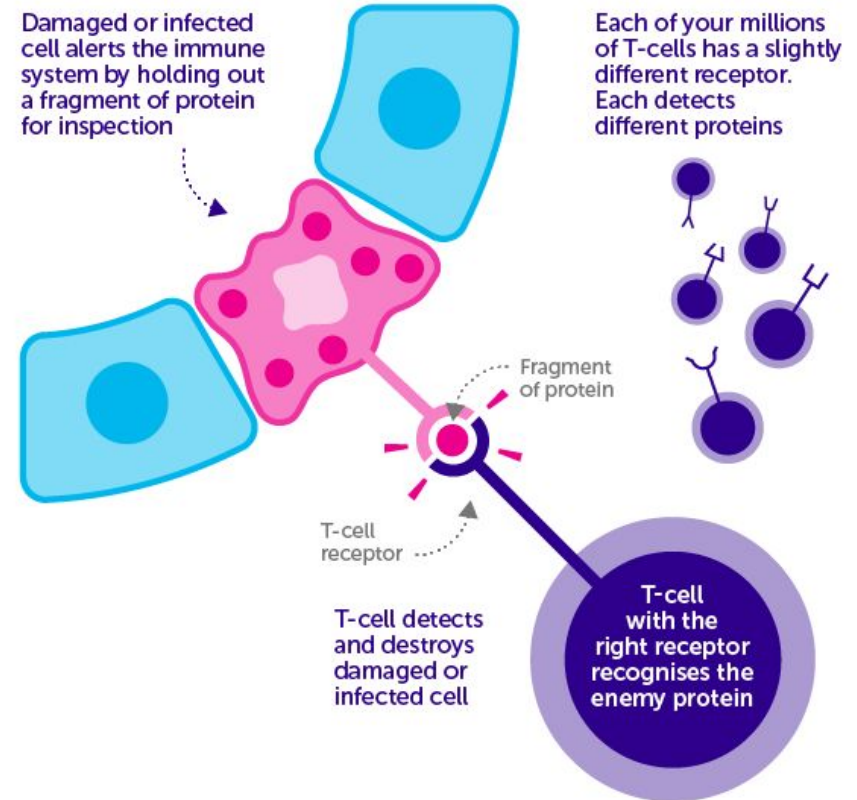
Cancer is a genetic disease that is caused by changes to genes which control the way our cells function, especially how they grow and divide:

1. **Abnormal growth (proto-oncogenes)** Cellular growth mechanism is damaged and cell starts to multiply uncontrollably
2. **Damaged control mechanism** (tumor suppressors) - Cells with certain alterations in tumor suppressor genes may divide in an uncontrolled manner (TP53 - Apoptosis)
3. **Damaged DNA repair mechanism** (Accumulated errors in this group of genes can lead to uncontrollable proliferation)

# Cancer cells

**Our body develops thousands cancer cells every day! OMG OMG**

## IDENTIFYING THE ENEMY

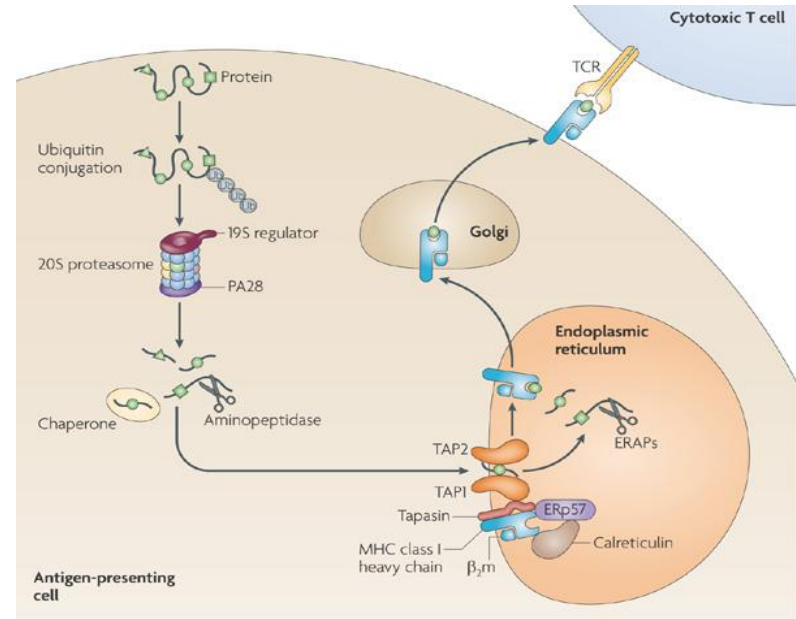


# MHC Complex

MHC is a set of cell surface proteins essential for the acquired immune system to recognize foreign molecules (translated from HLA regions from the genome for humans)

MHC molecules bind to **protein fragments** available in the cell

MHC molecule with **antigen** (MHC complex) is "presented" outside of the cell to cytotoxic T cells and helper T cells

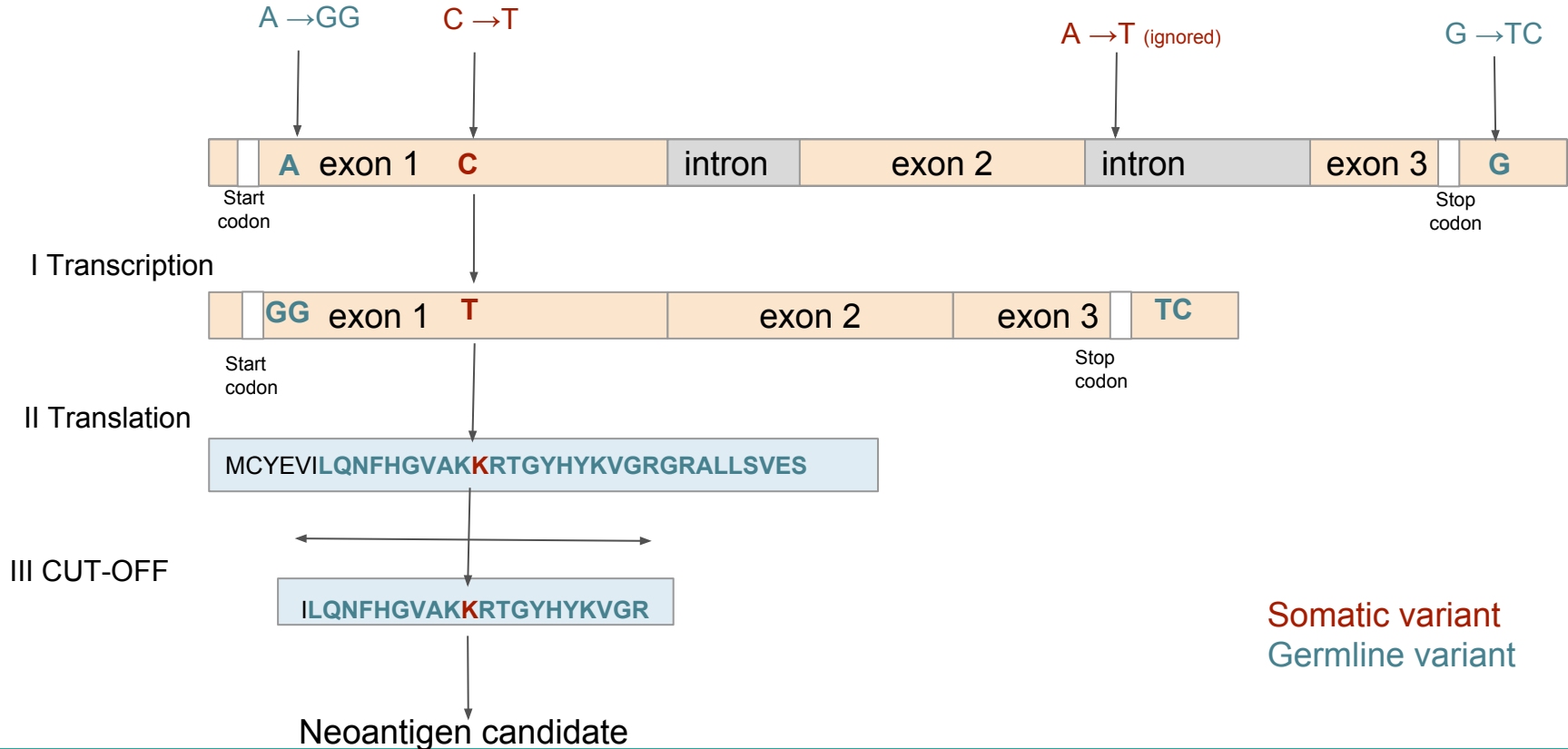


# So, what can be done there?

1. Identify NEOANTIGENS - proteins presented only by cancer cells
2. “Program” T-cells to recognize neoantigens

Compare DNA from Tumor and Normal tissue  
Mutations present in tumor - somatic mutations

# From DNA somatic mutation to neoantigen



# References

**How the Immune System Works - Lauren Sompayrac**

