

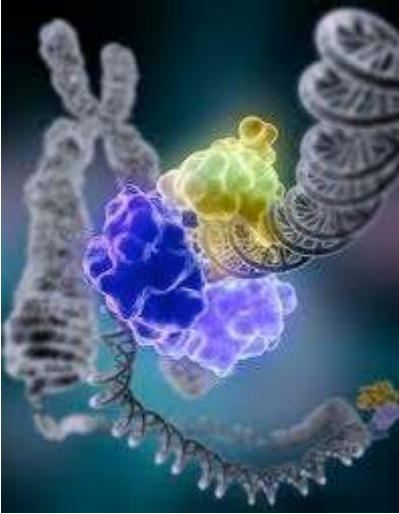
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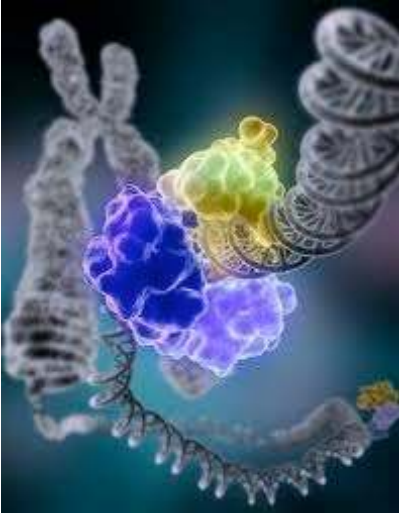
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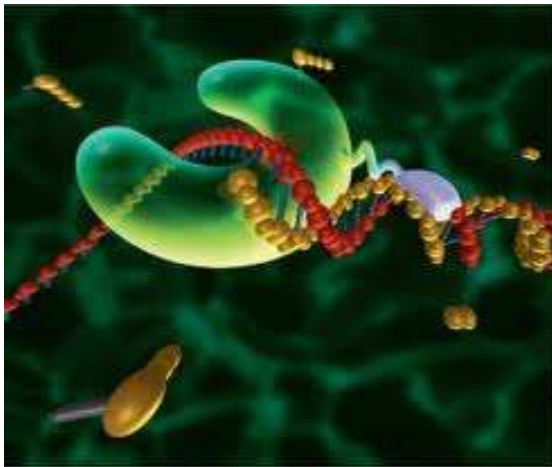


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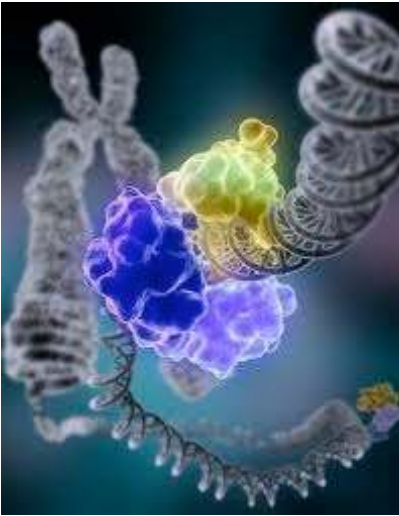


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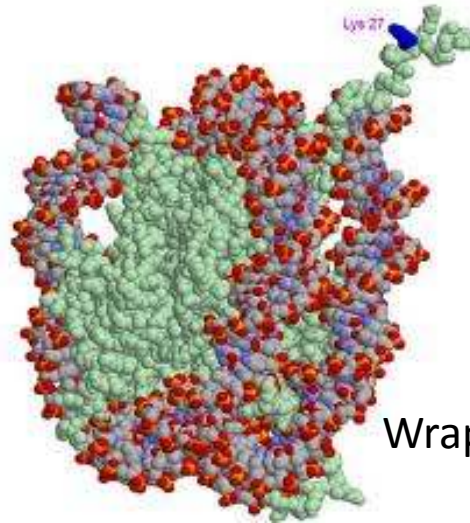


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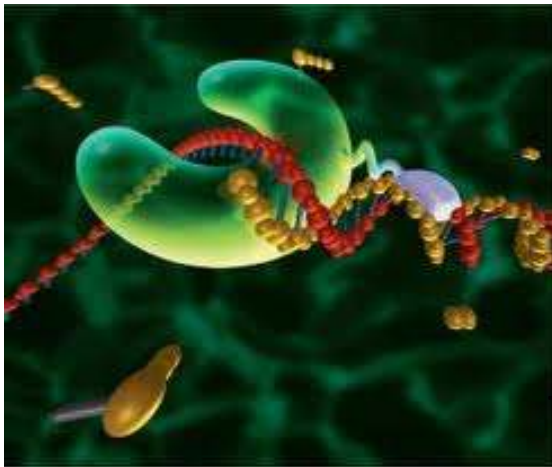
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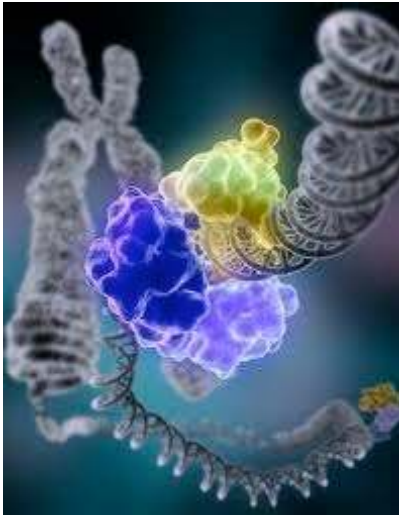


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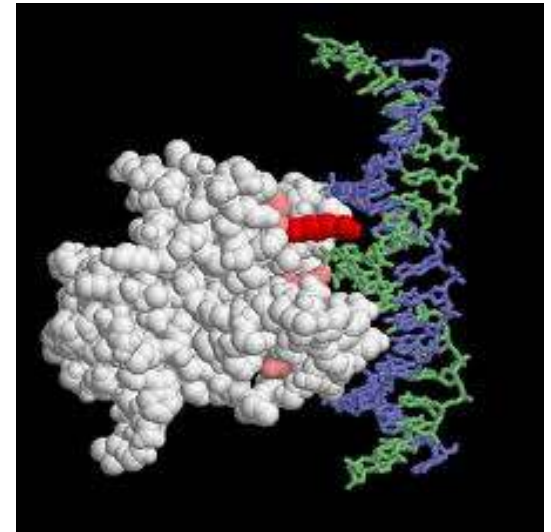
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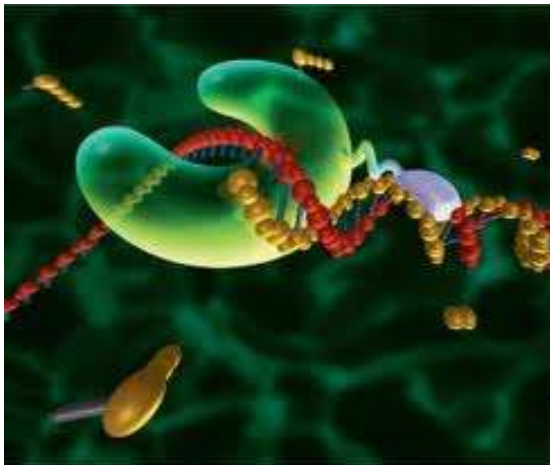


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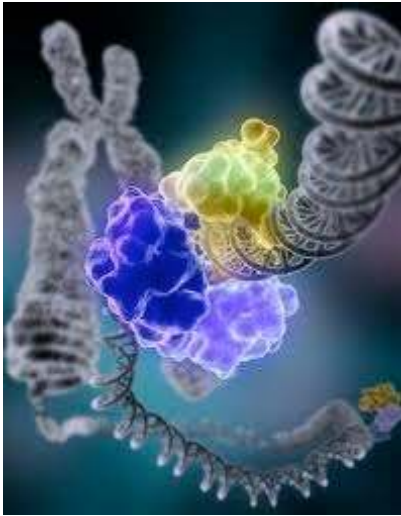


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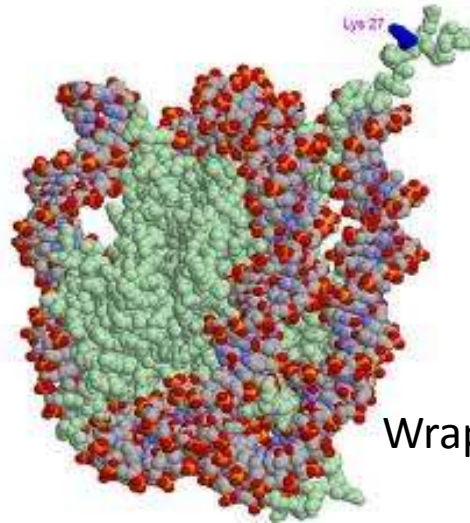
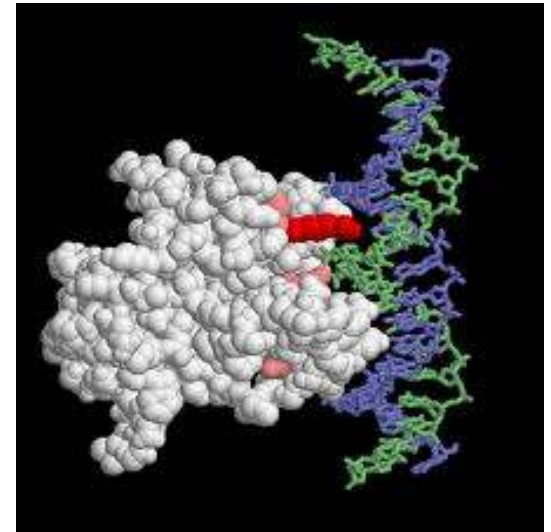
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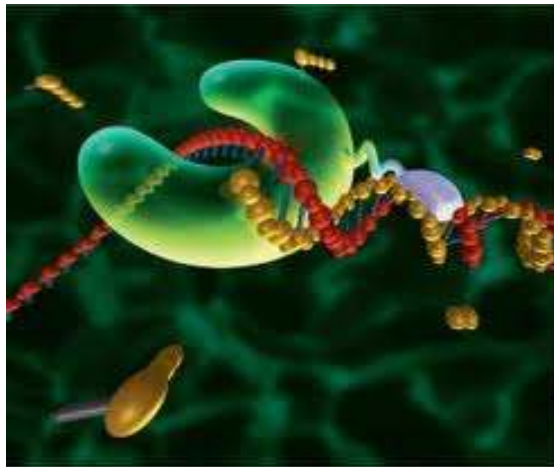


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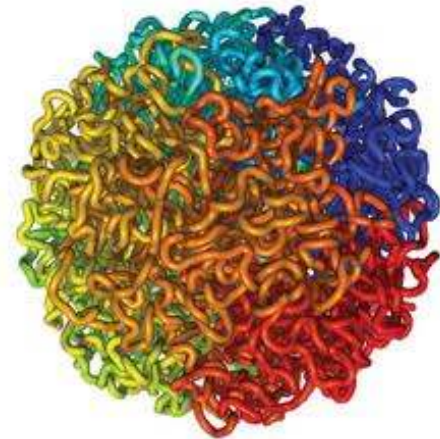


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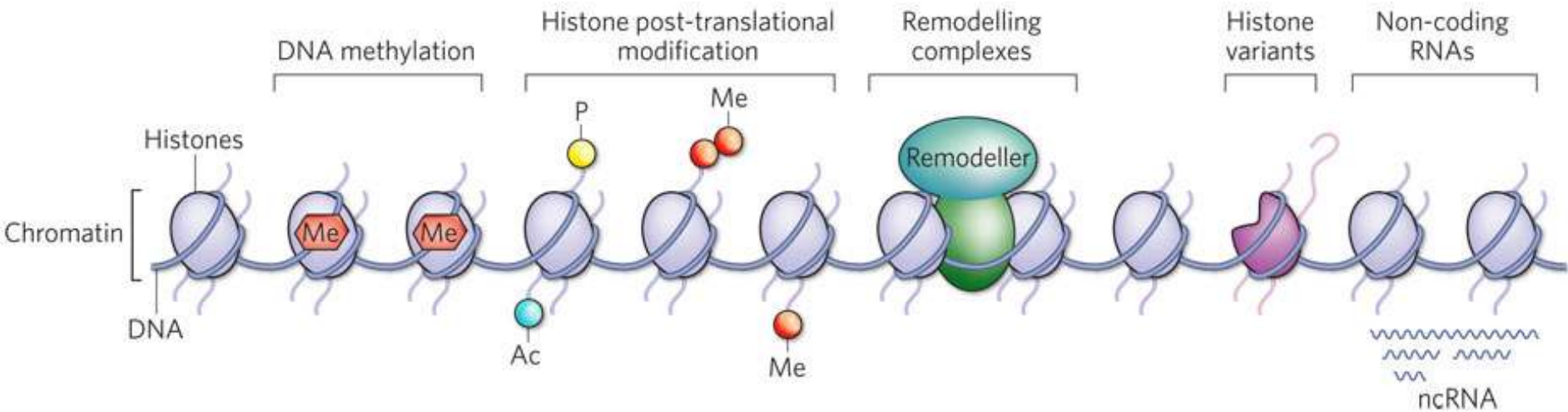


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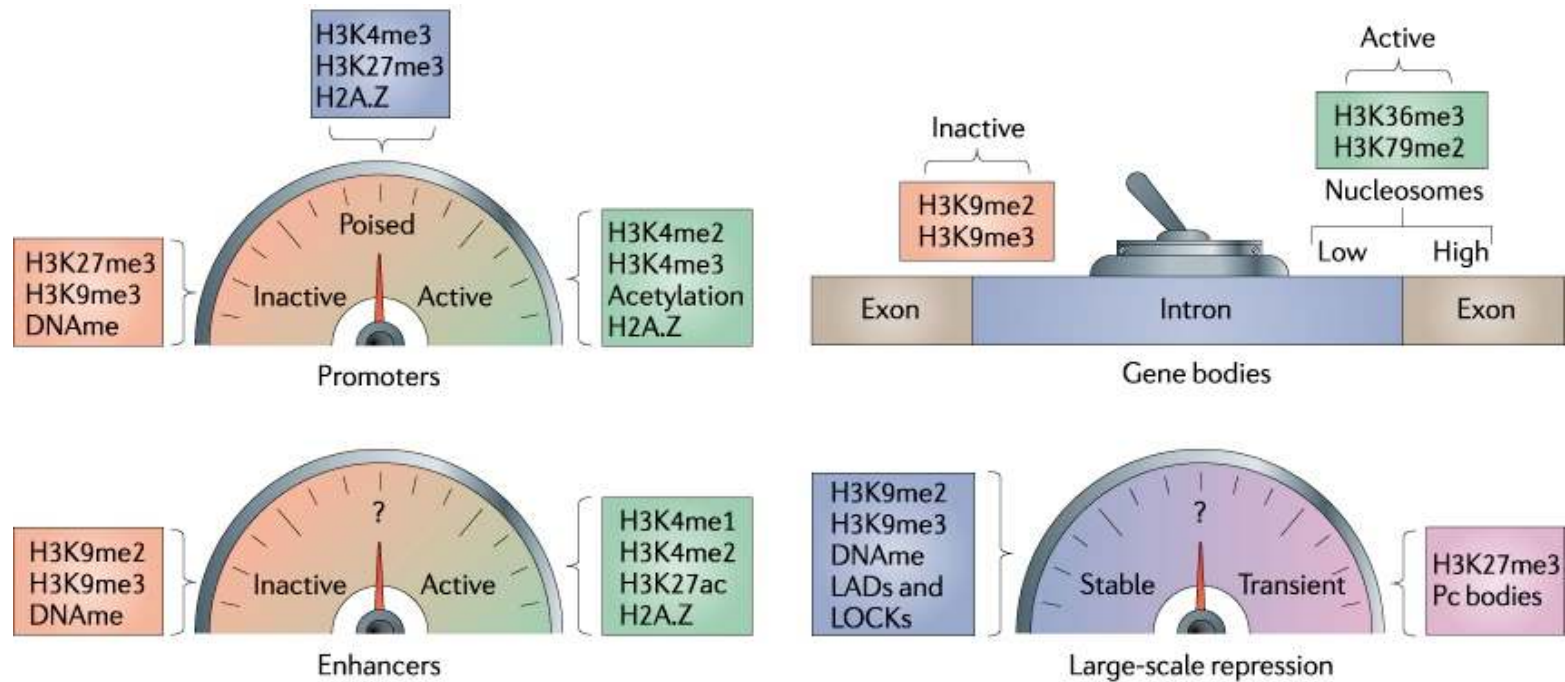


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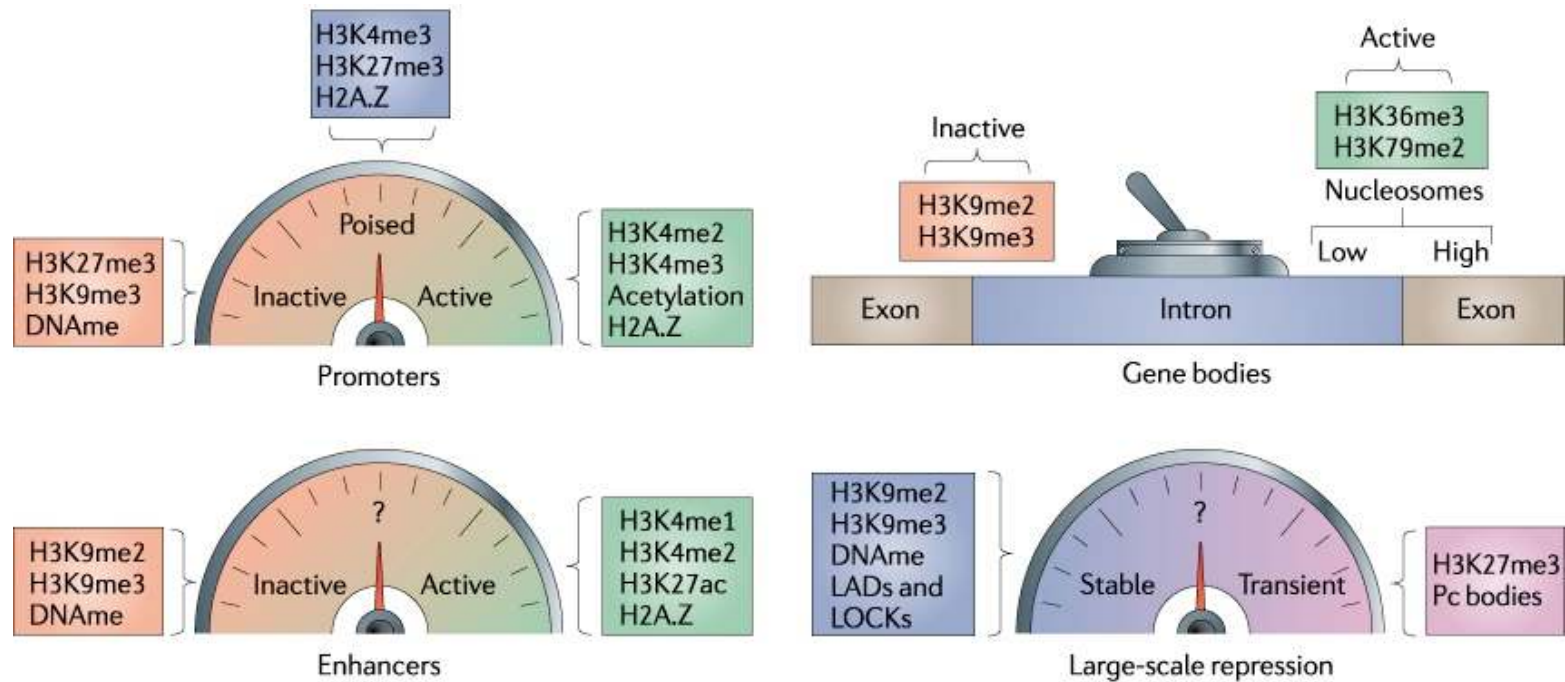
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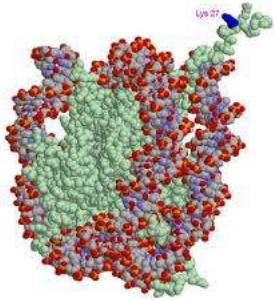


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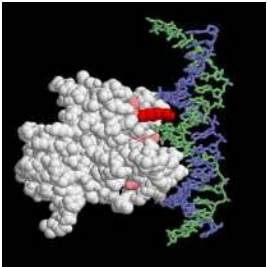
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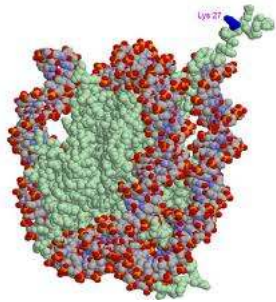


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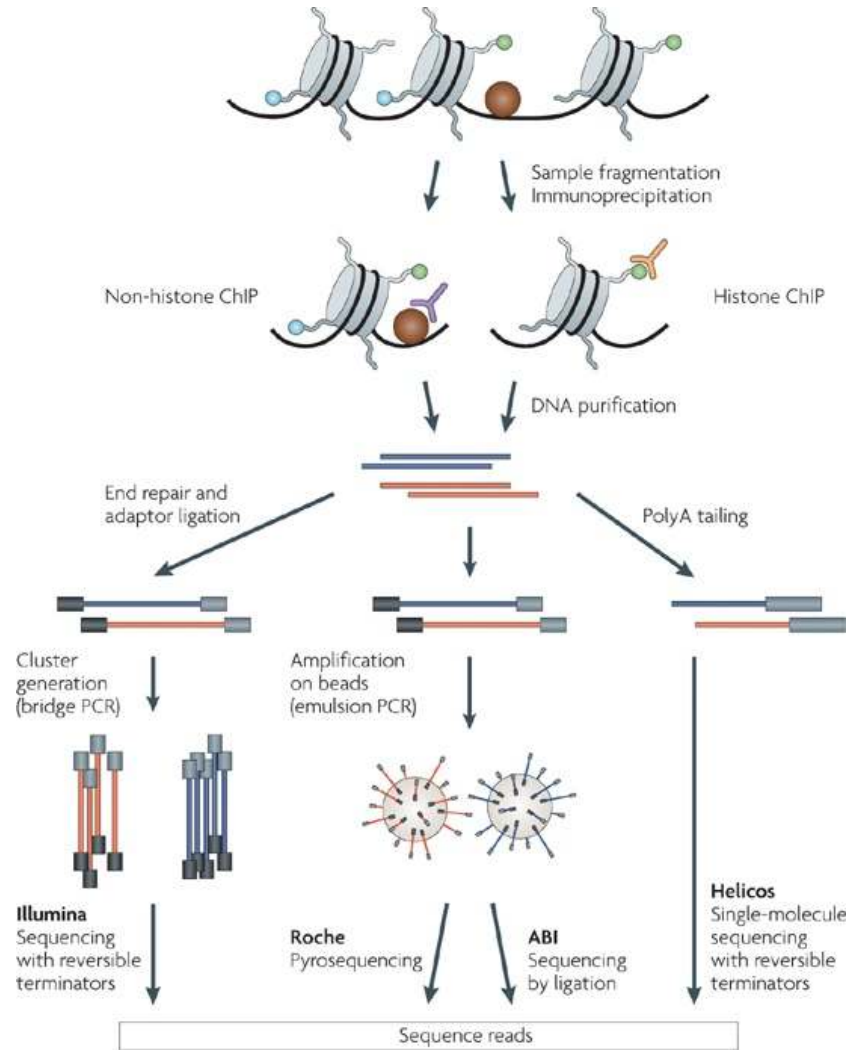
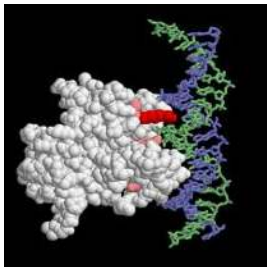
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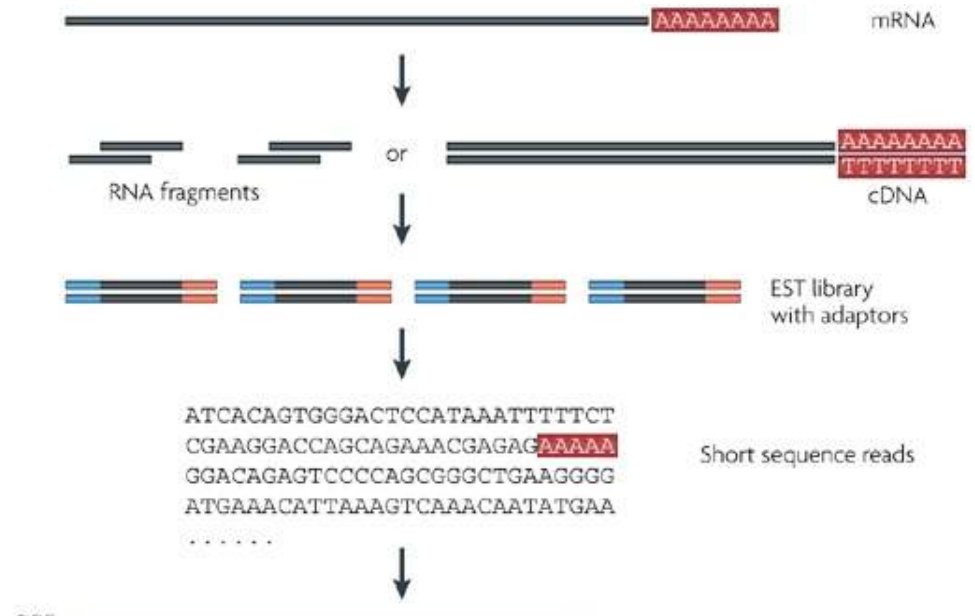
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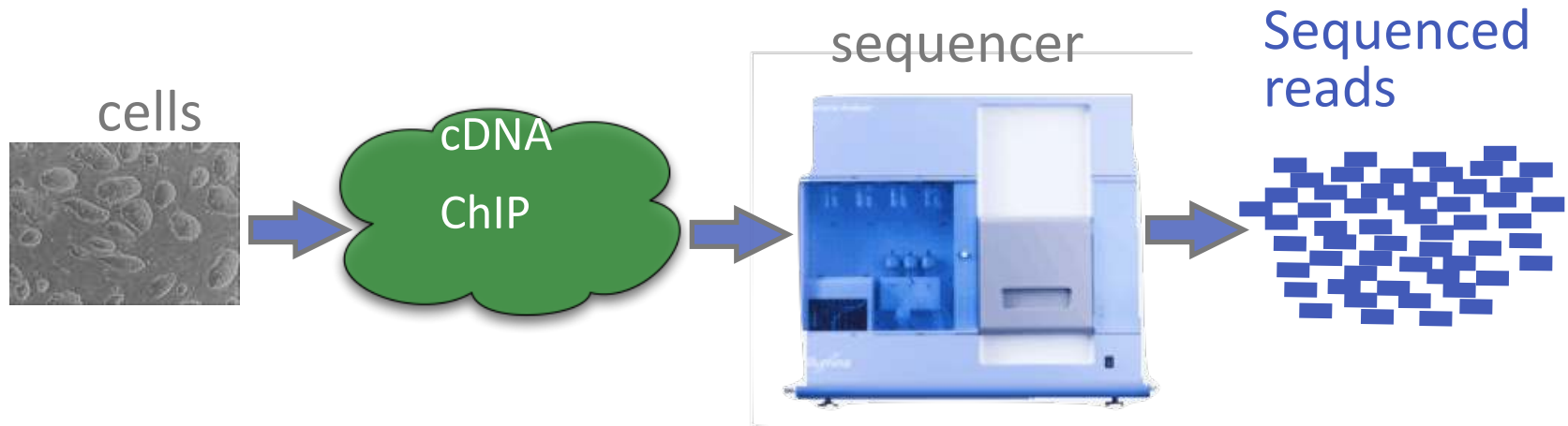
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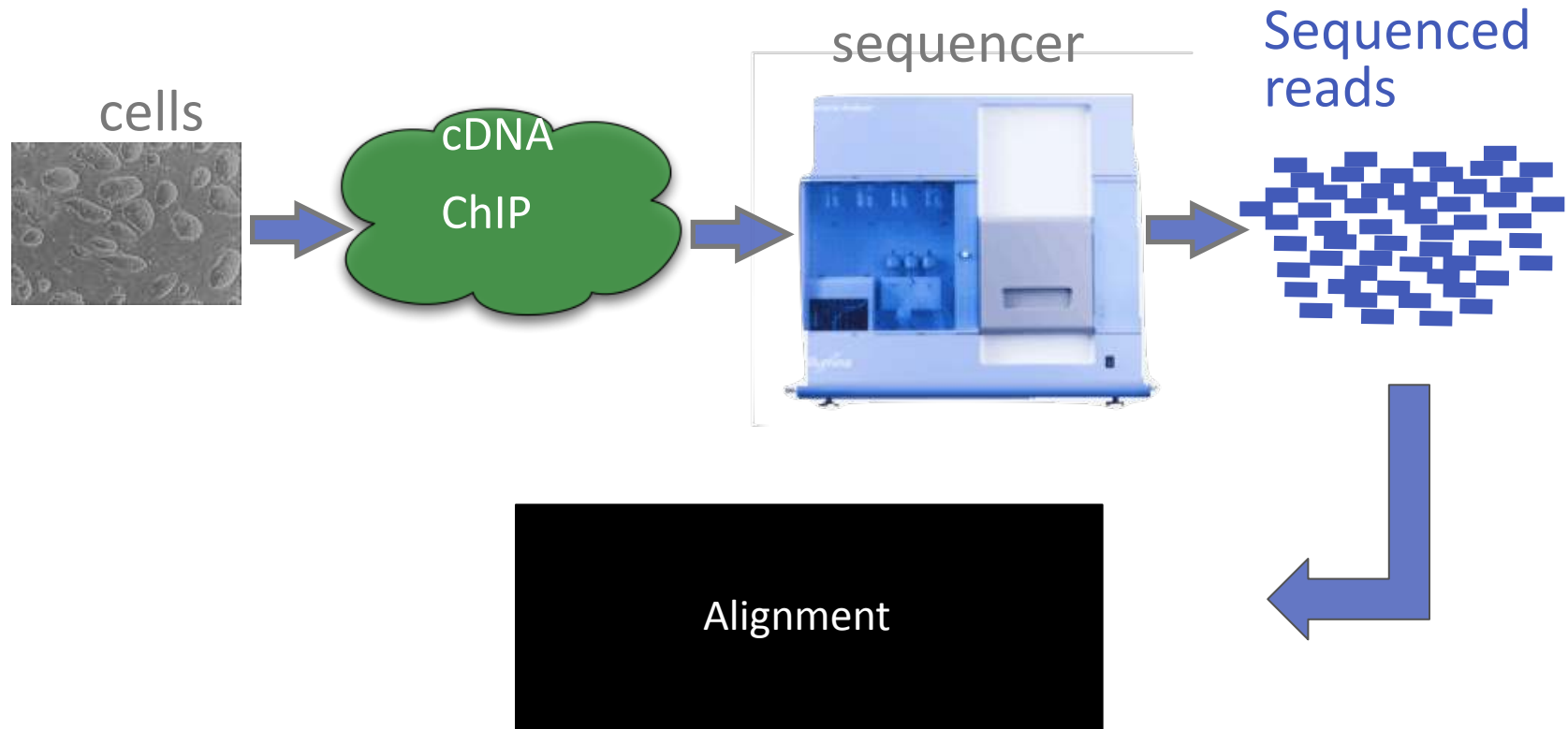


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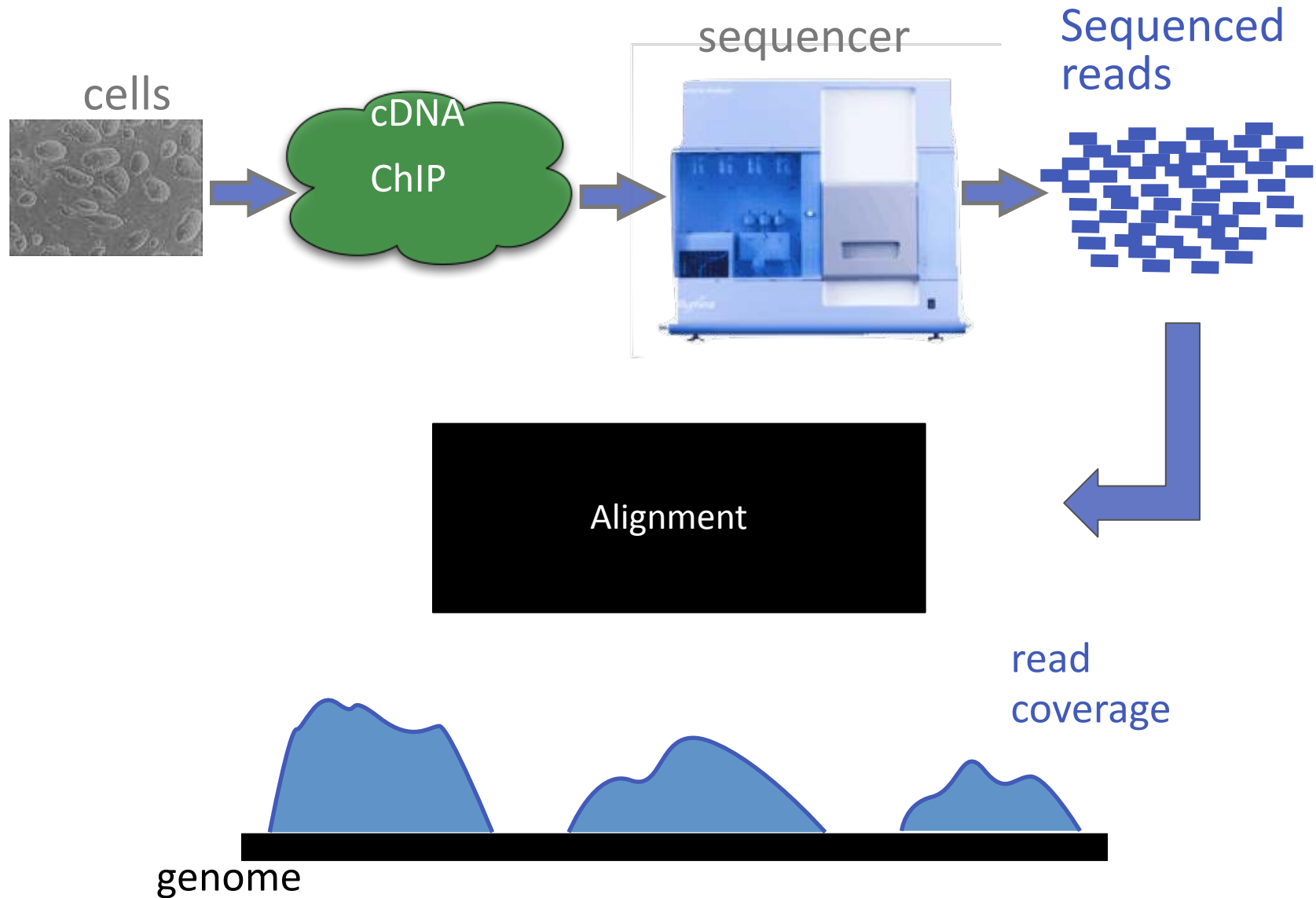
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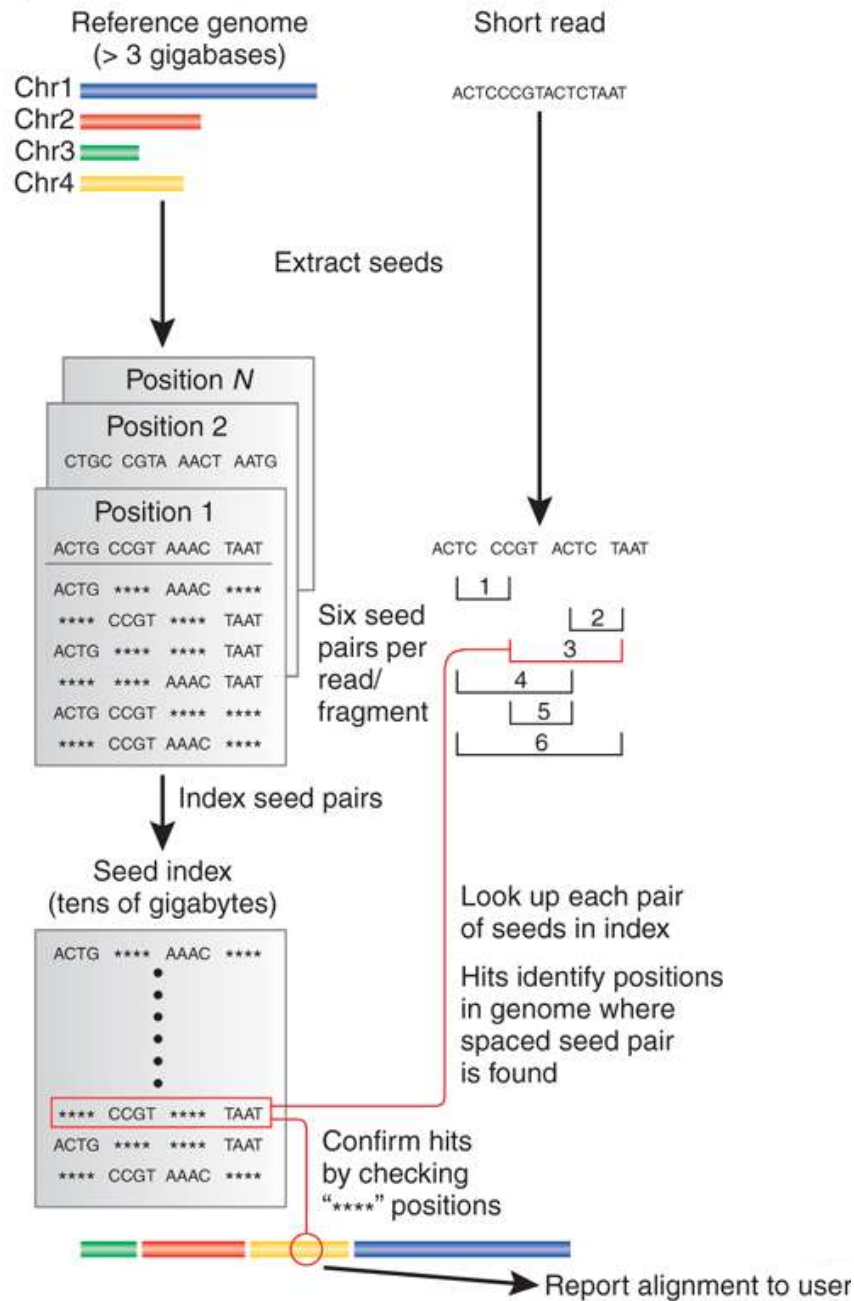
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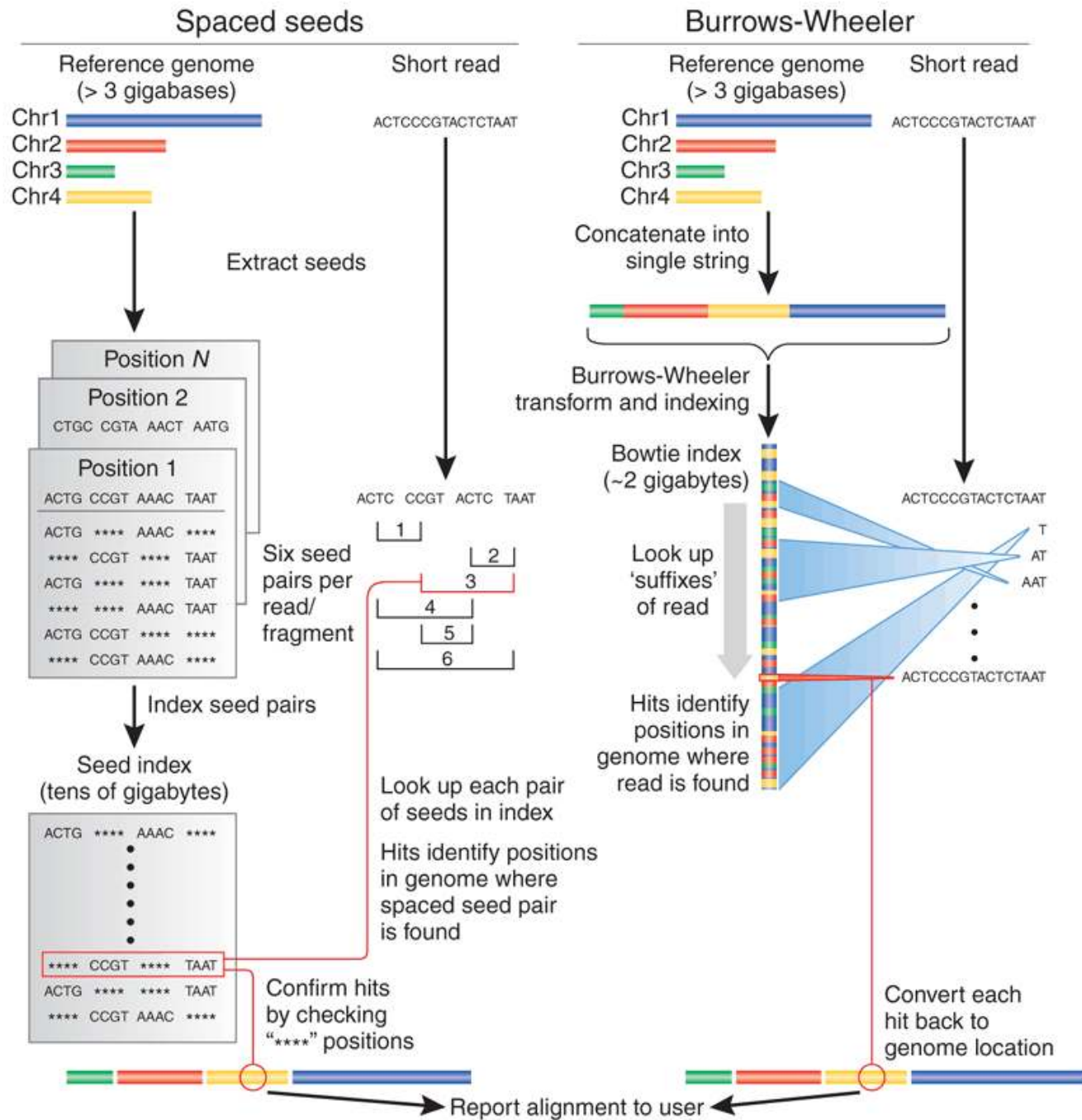
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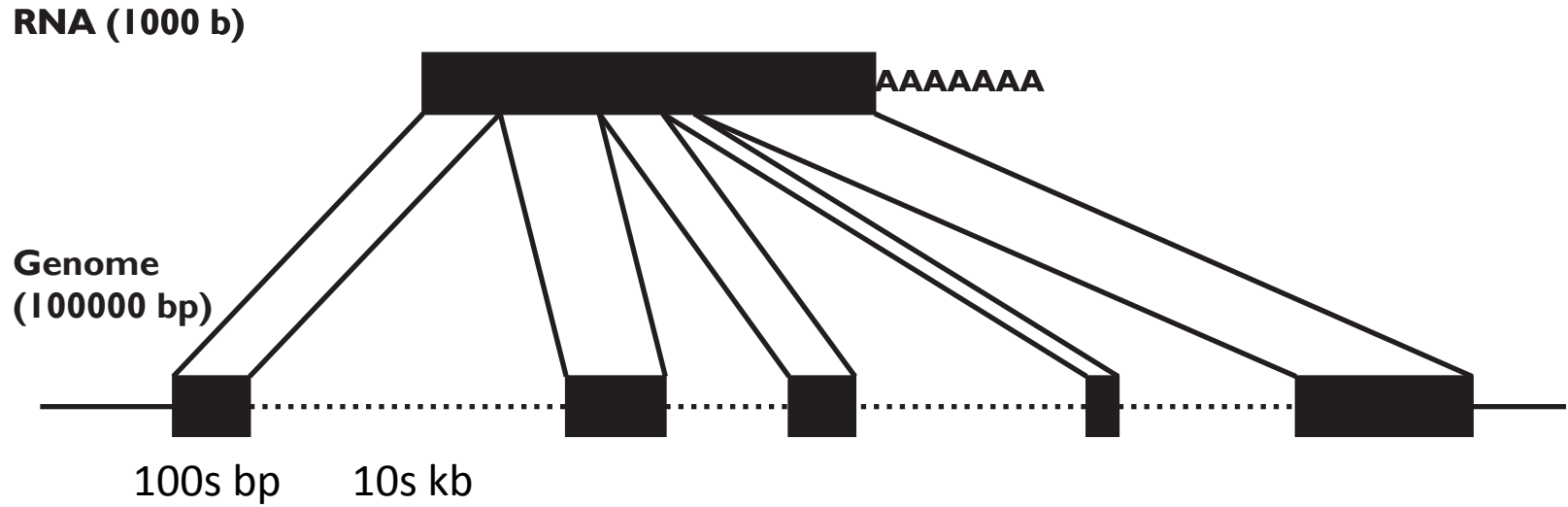
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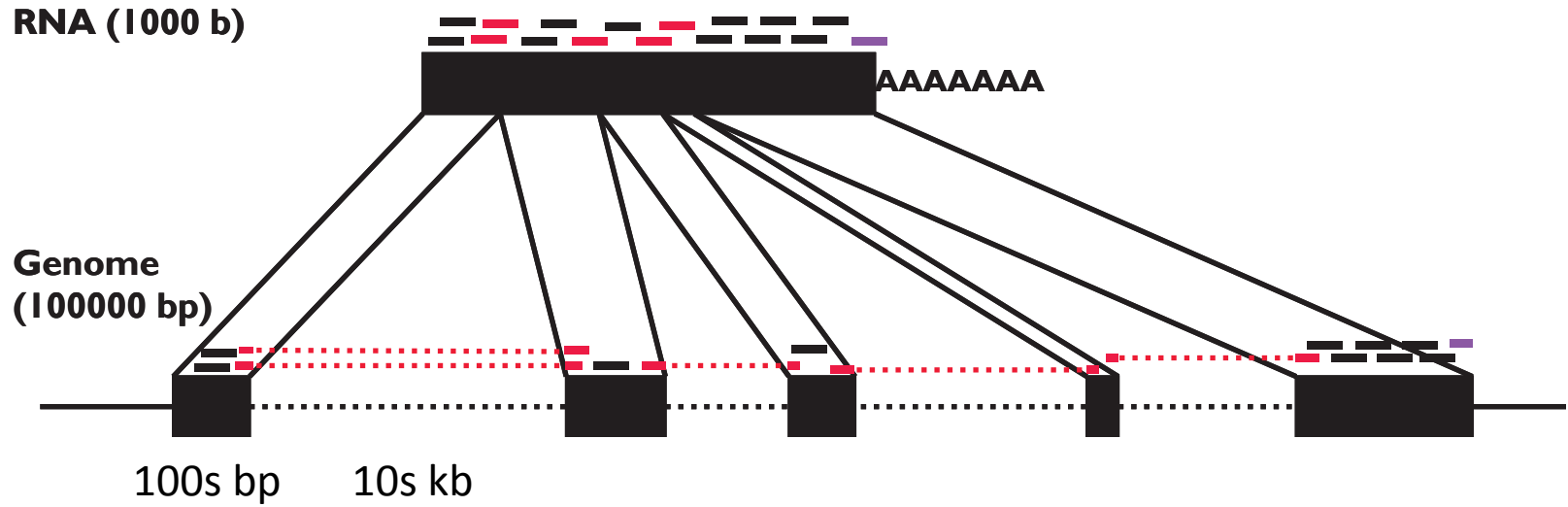
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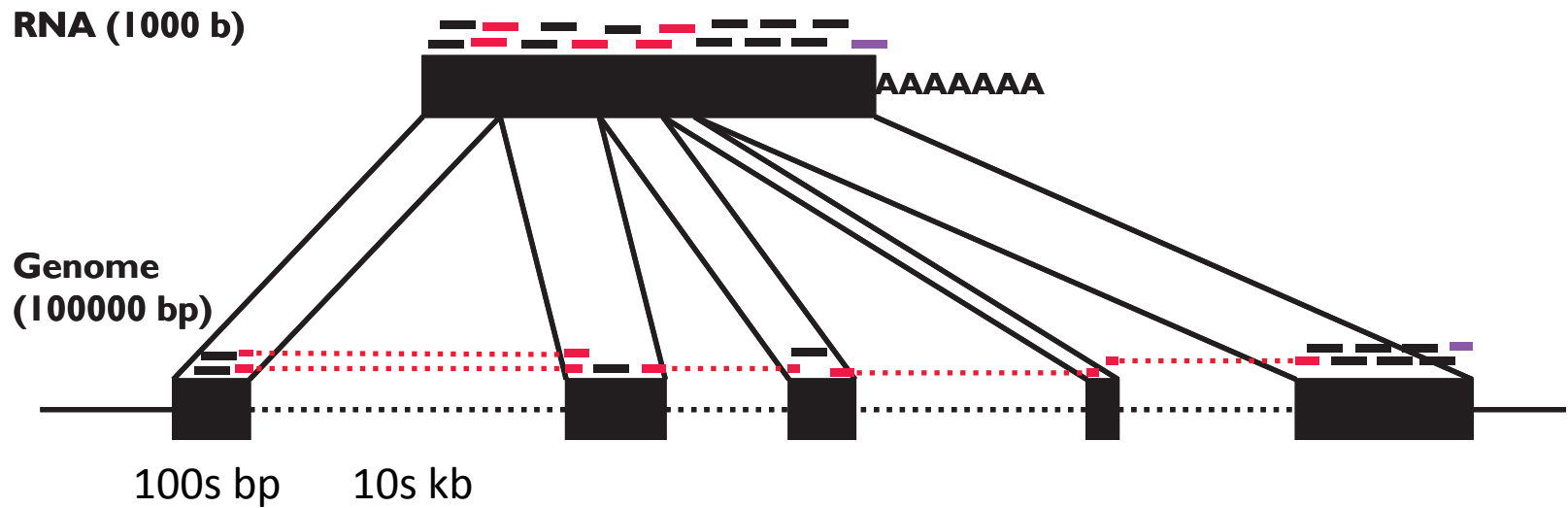
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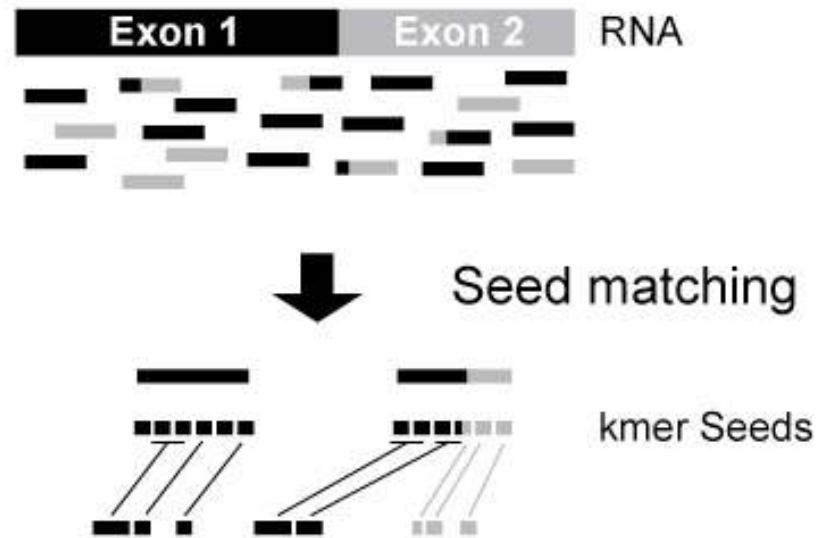


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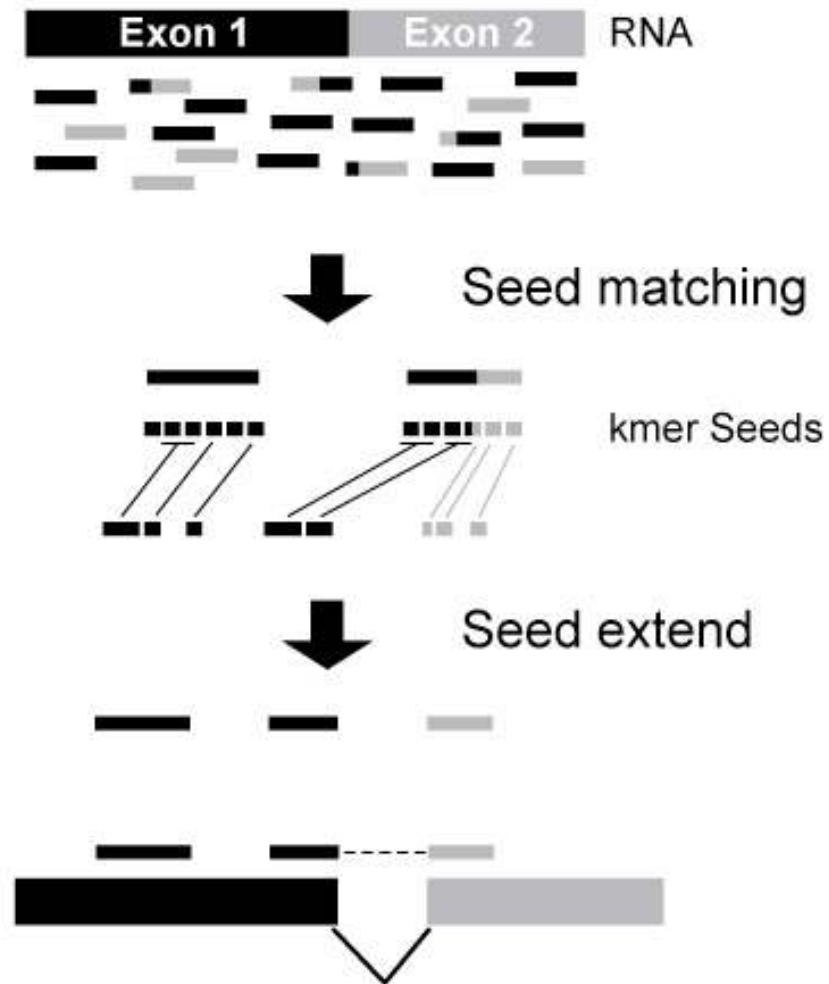
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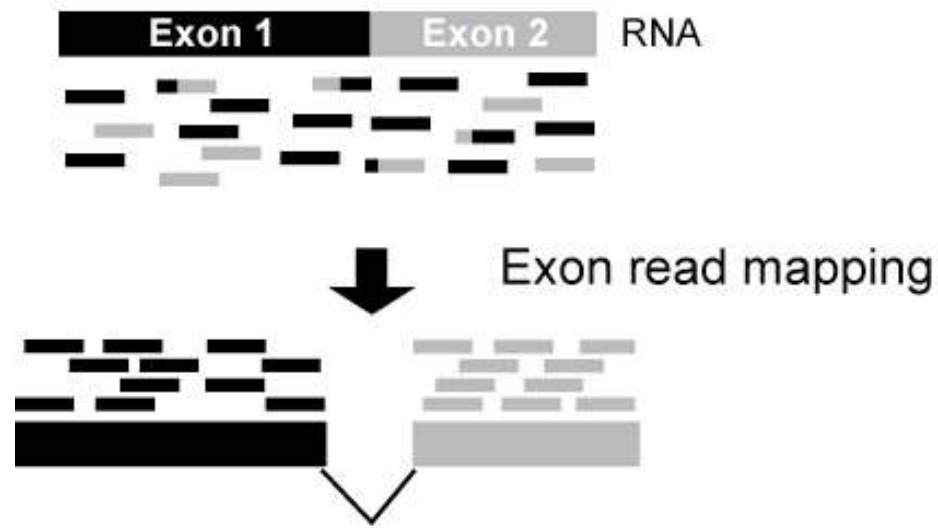
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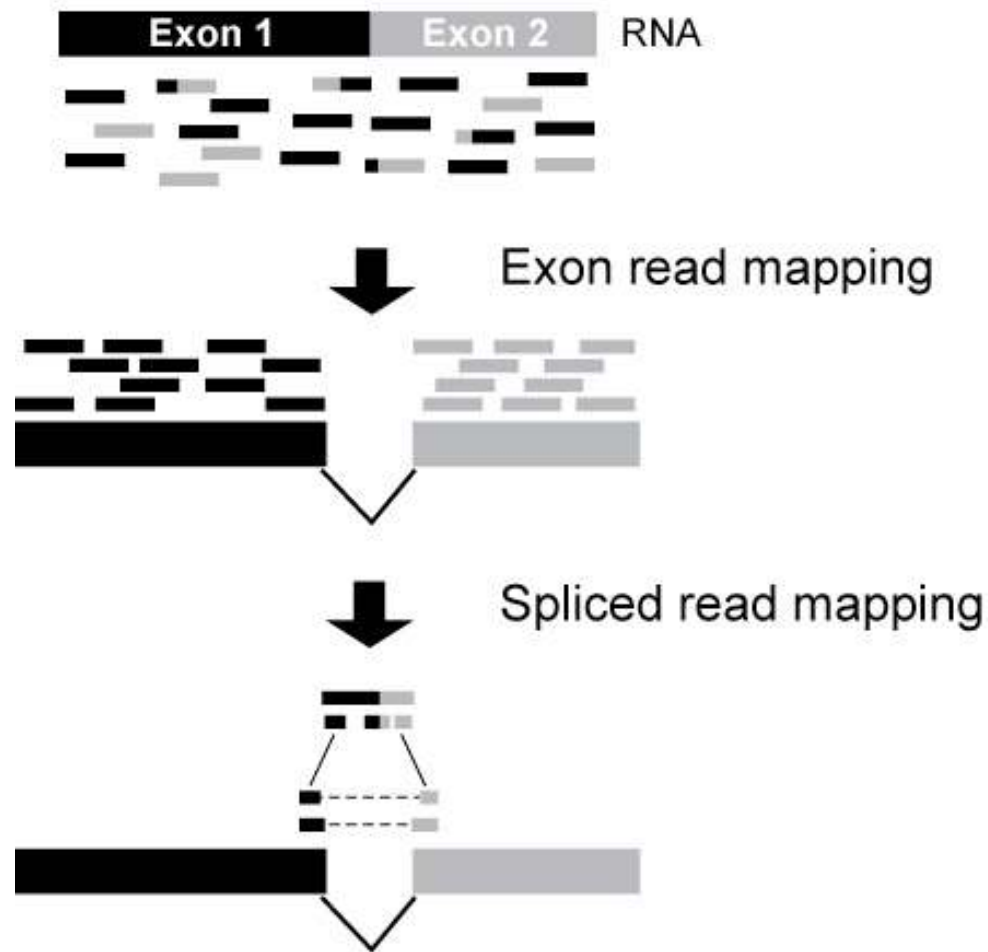
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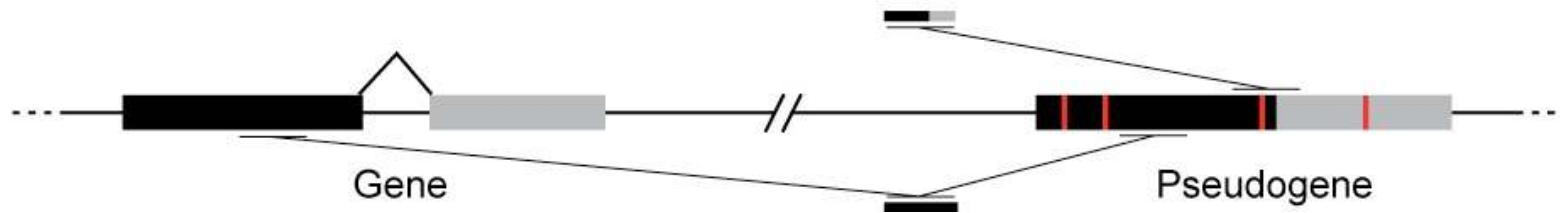
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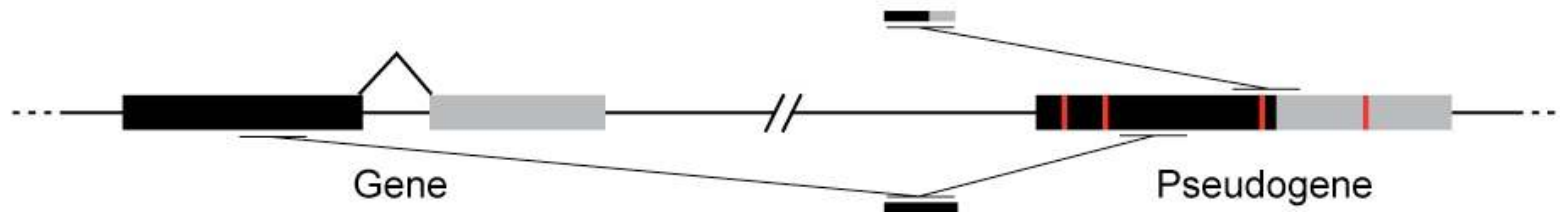
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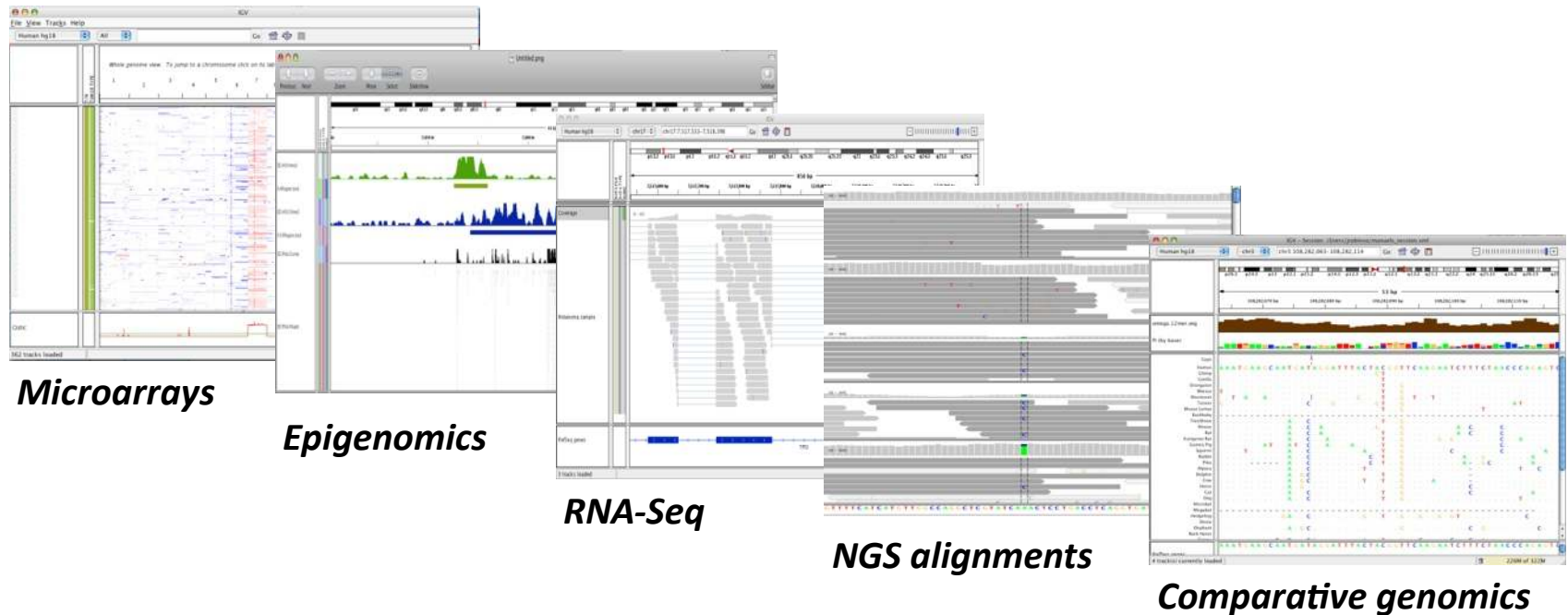
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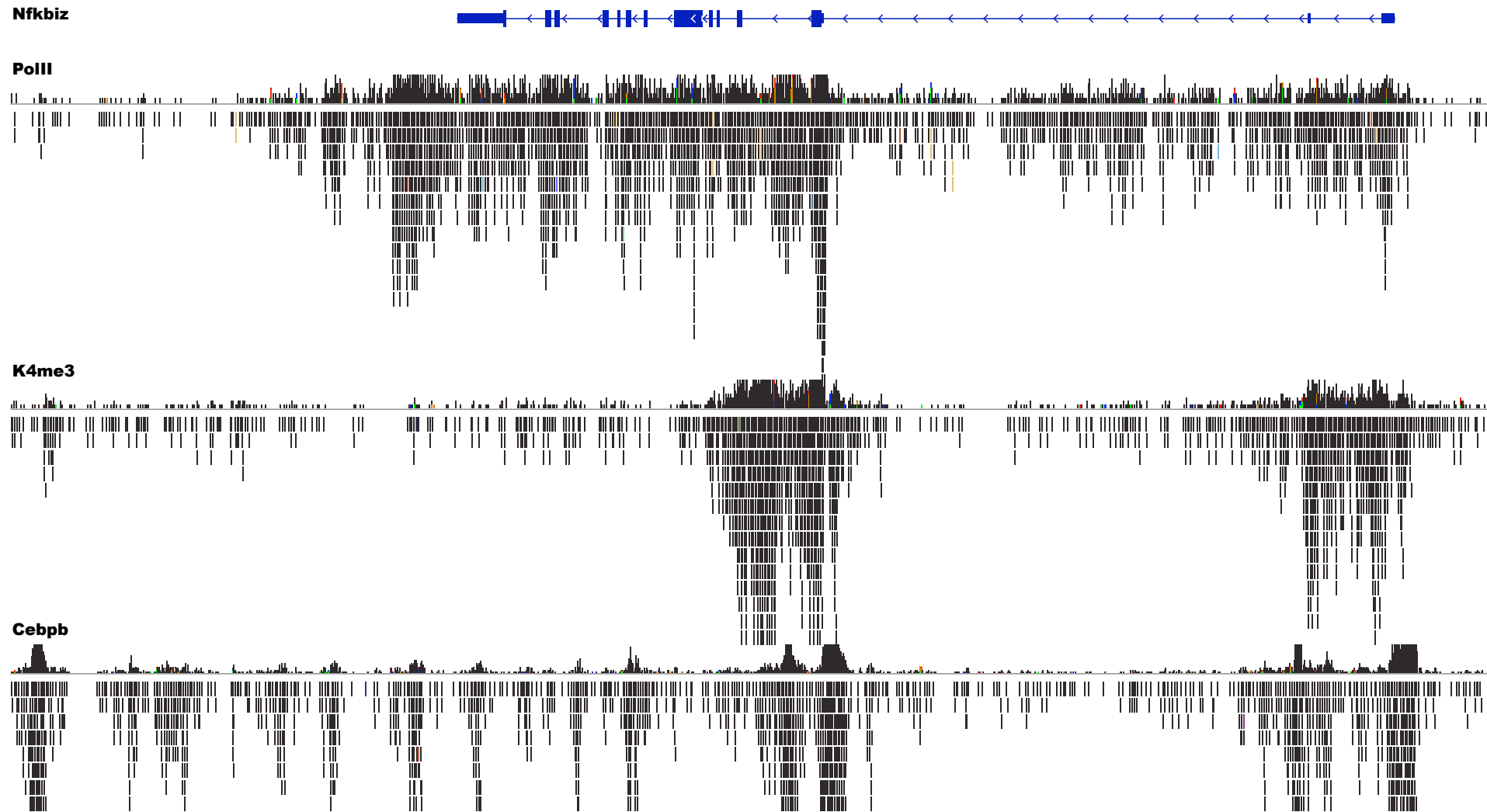


A desktop application

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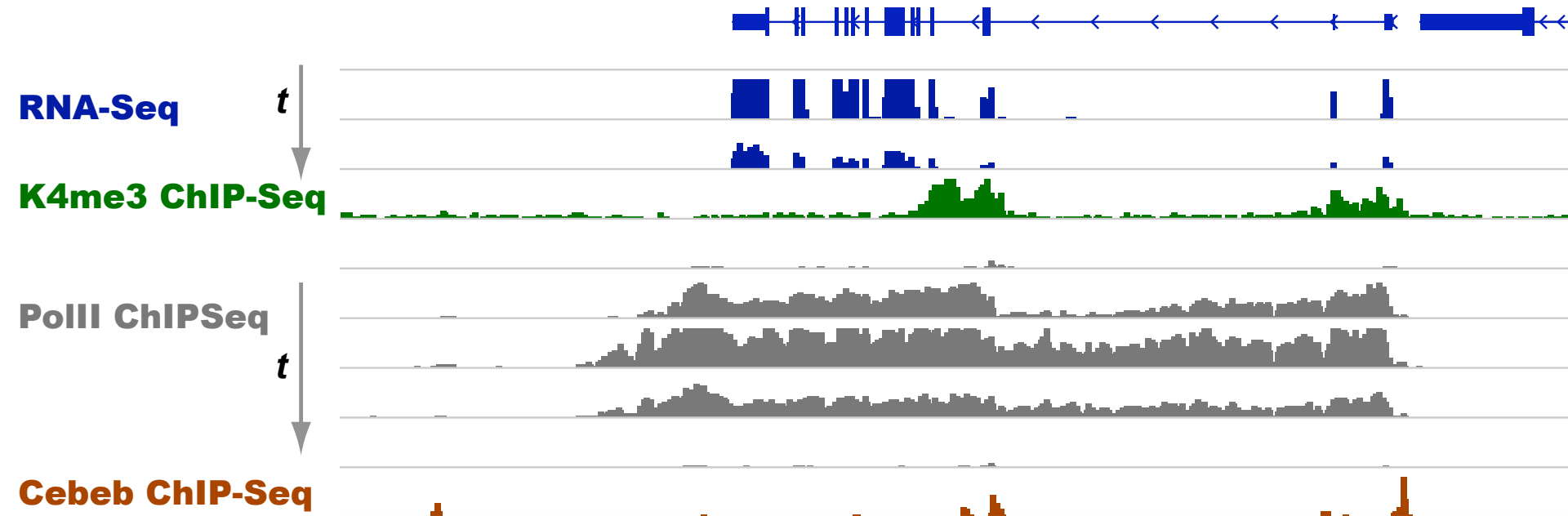


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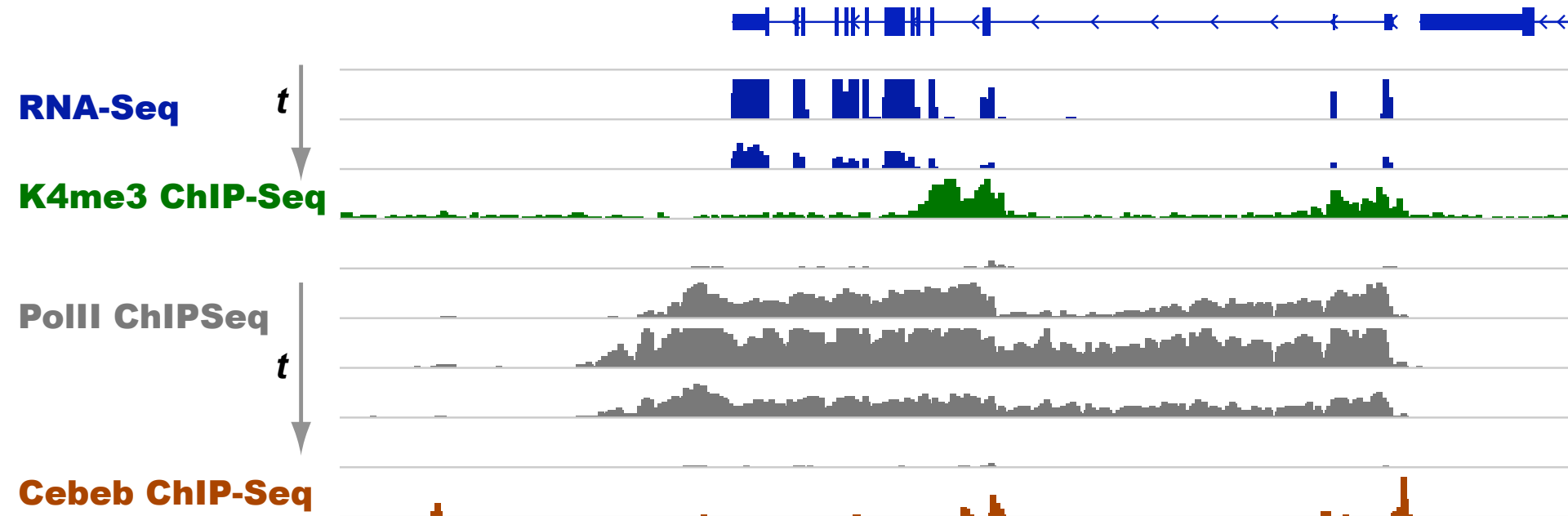
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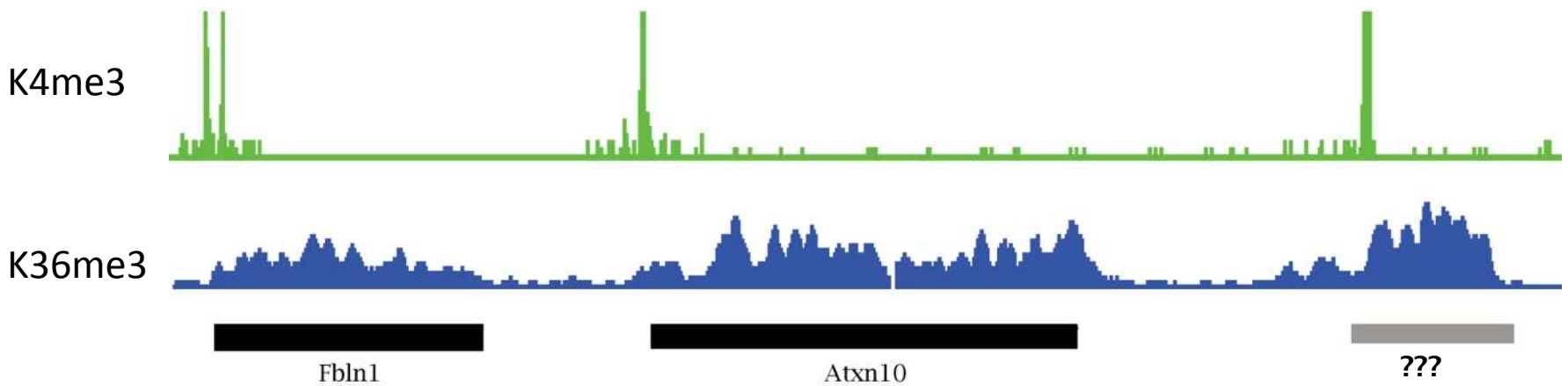
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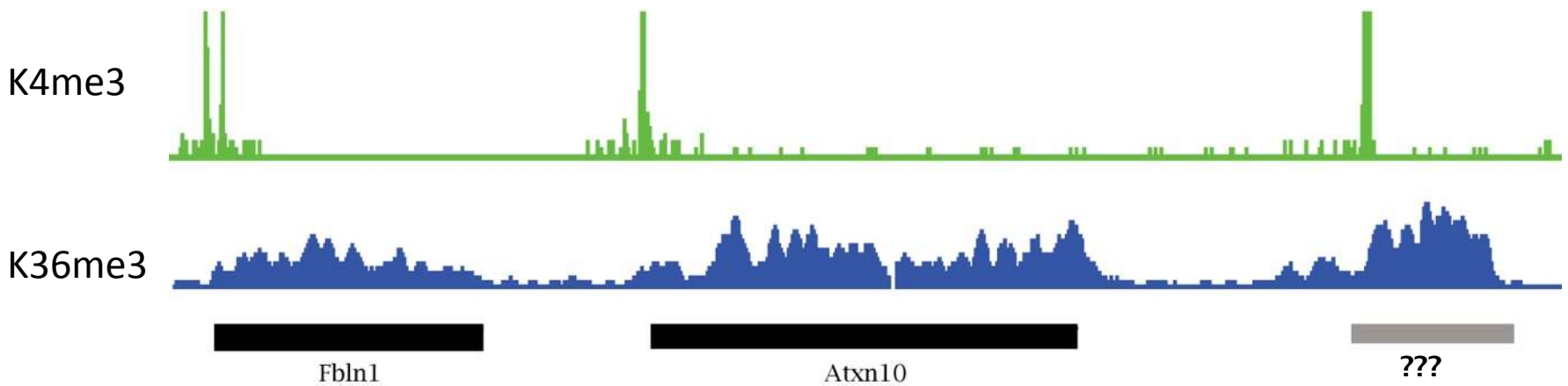
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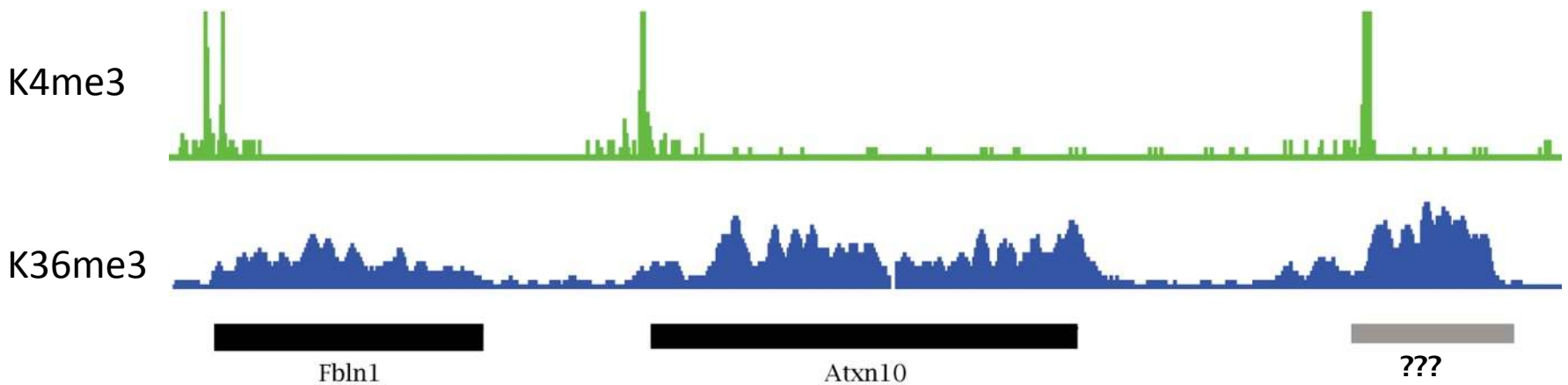
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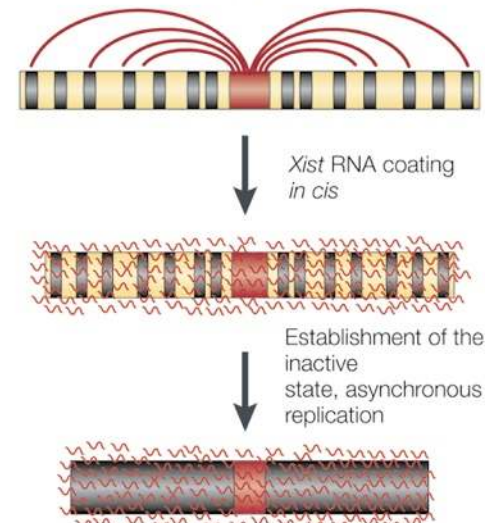


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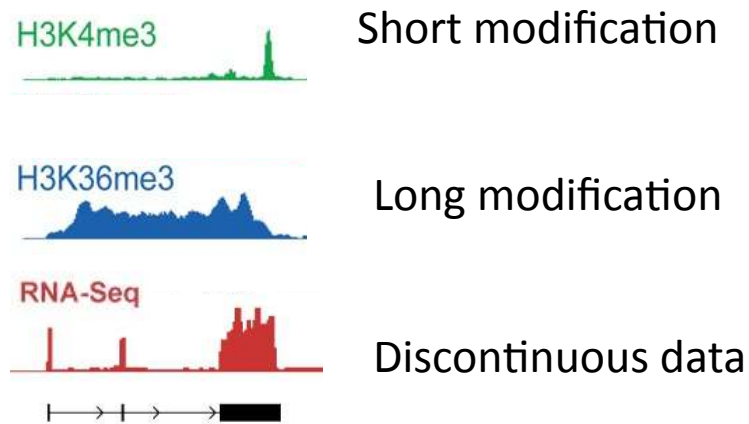


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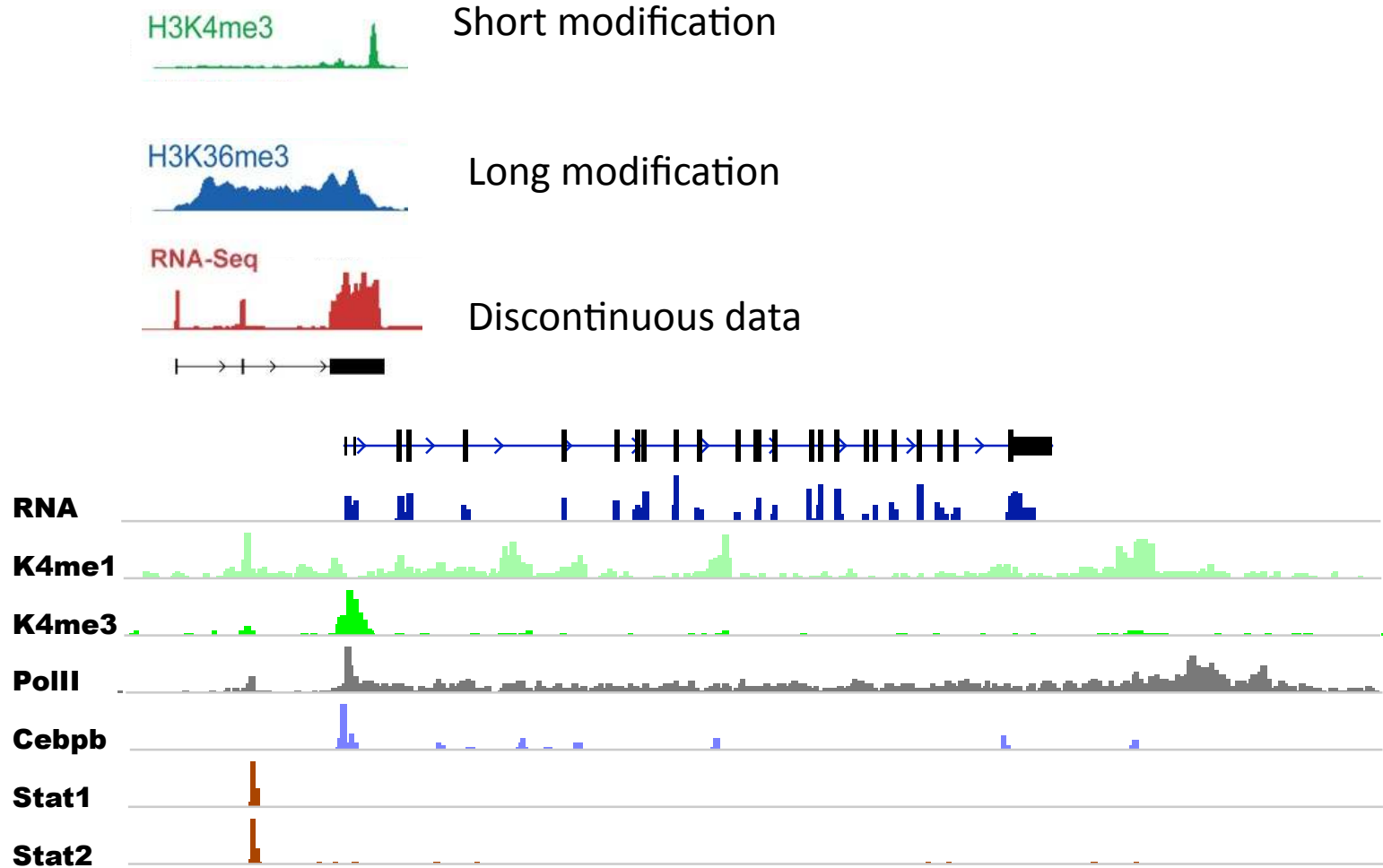
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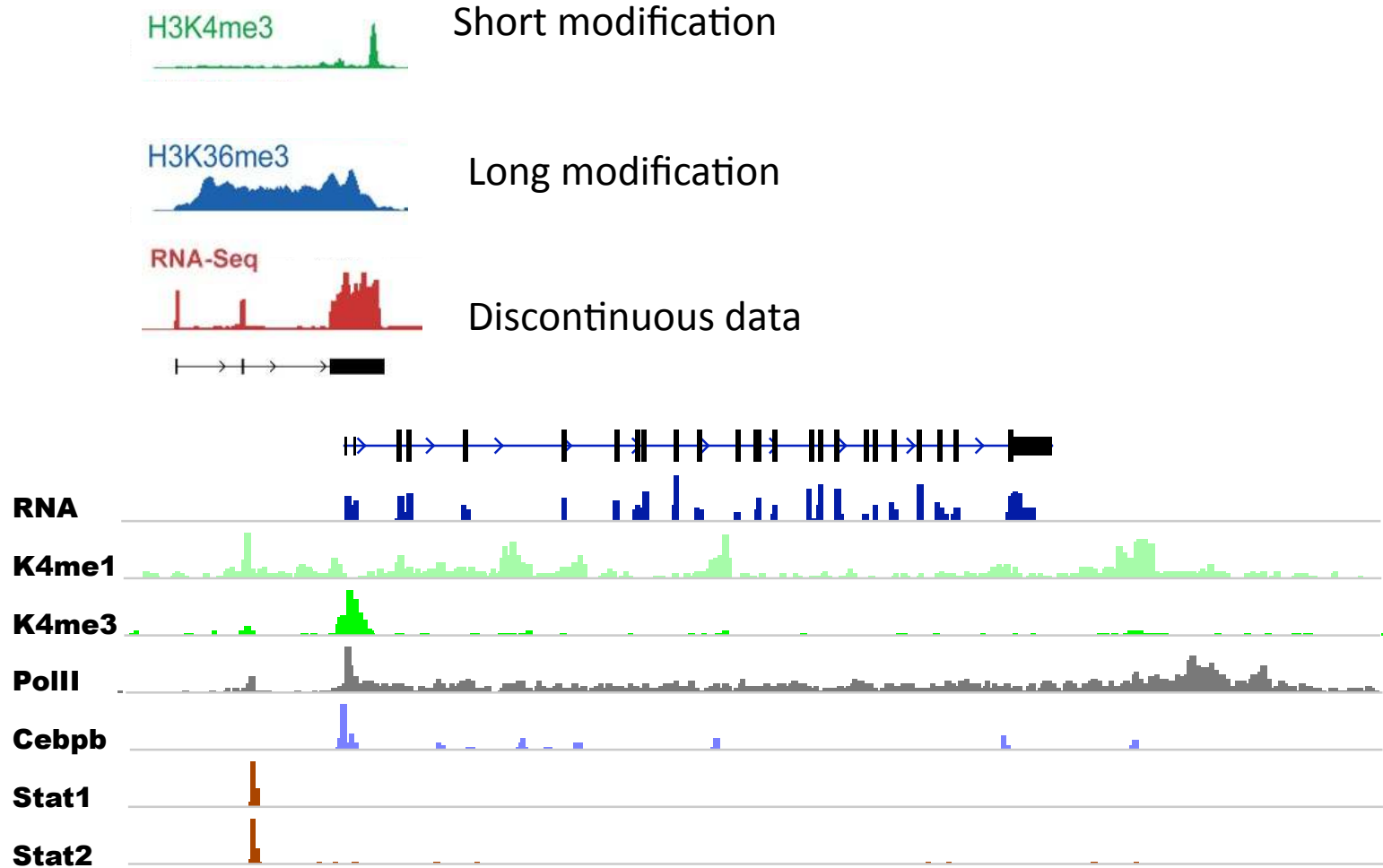
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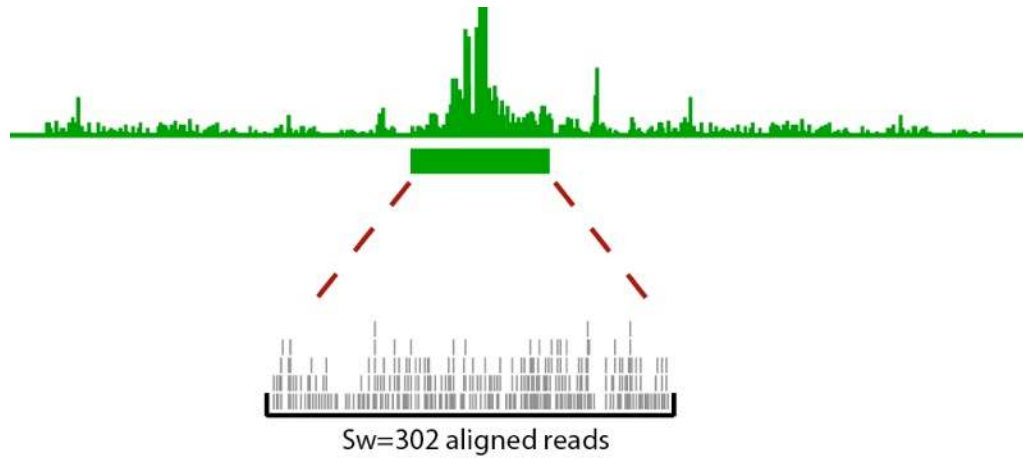


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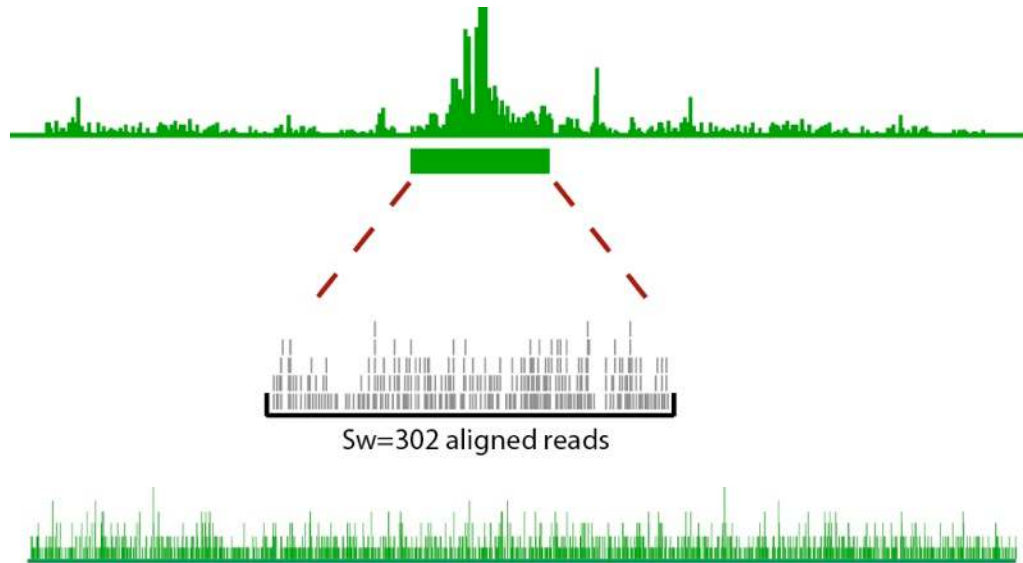
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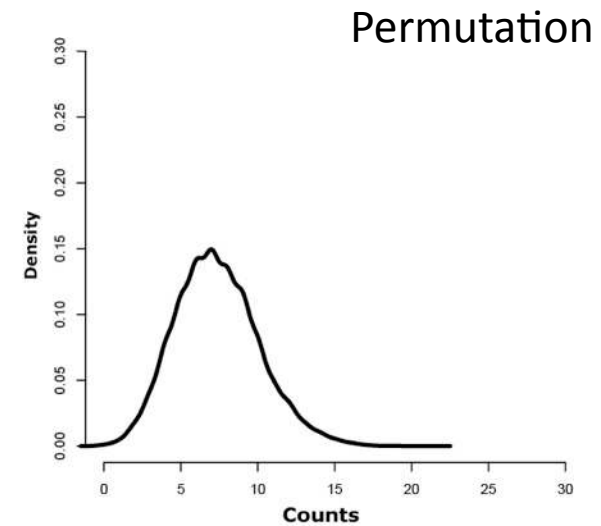
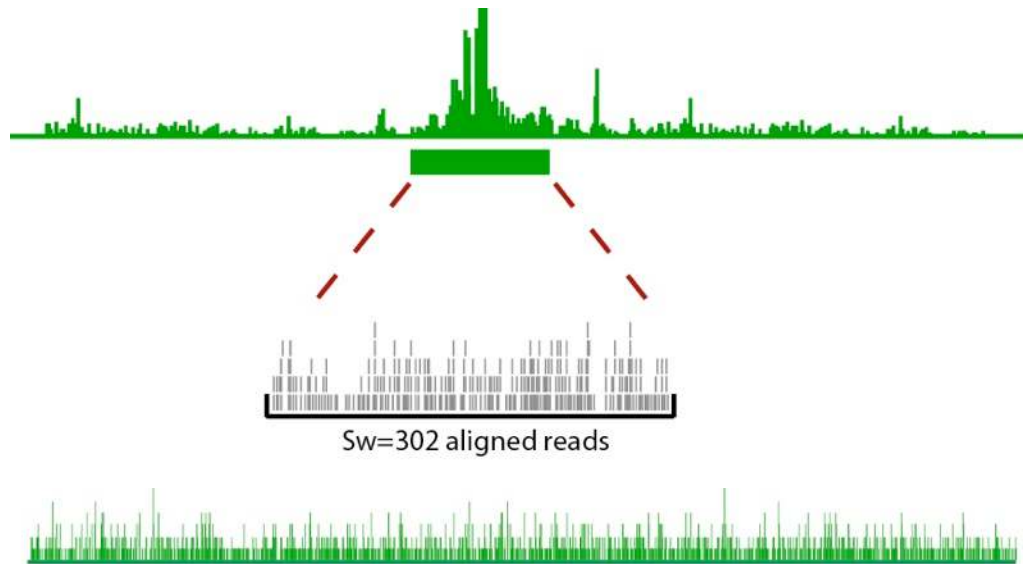
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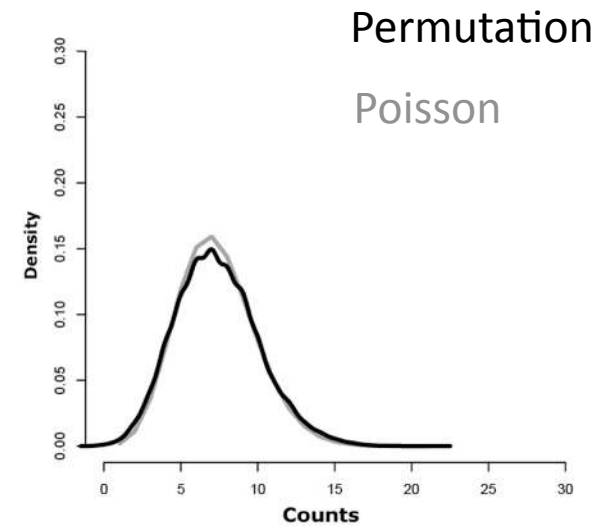
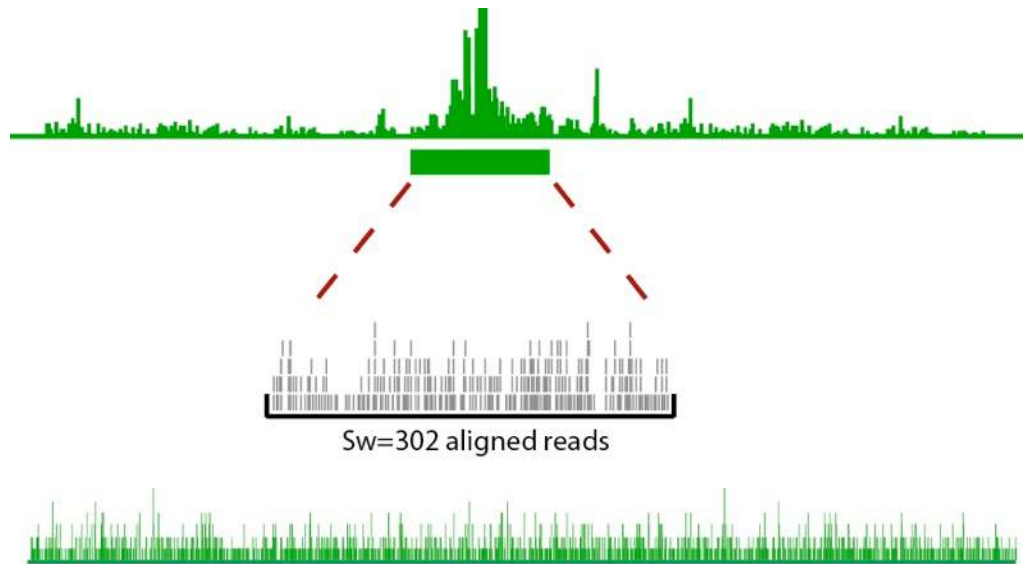
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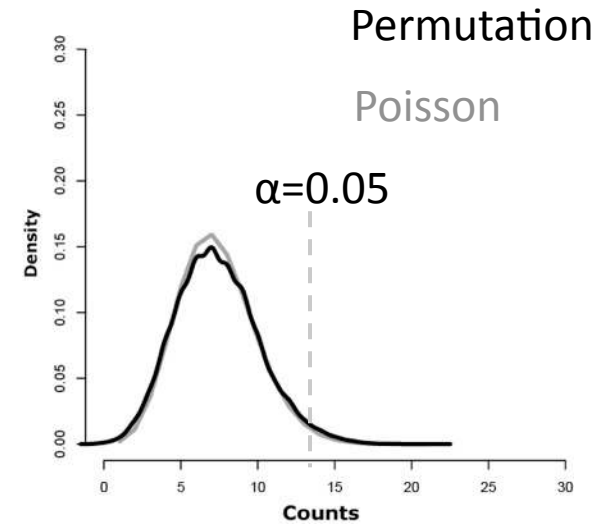
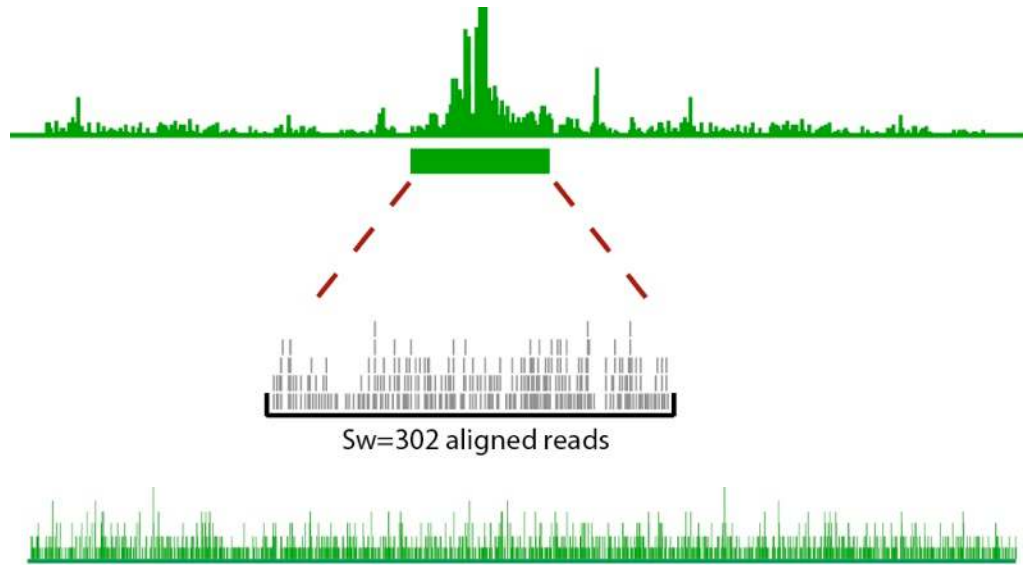
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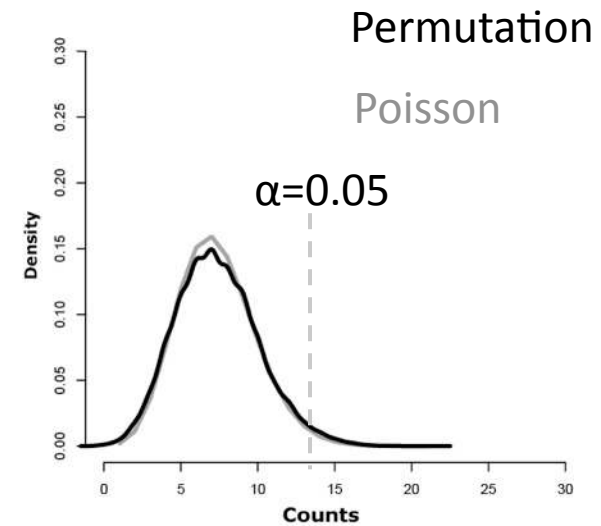
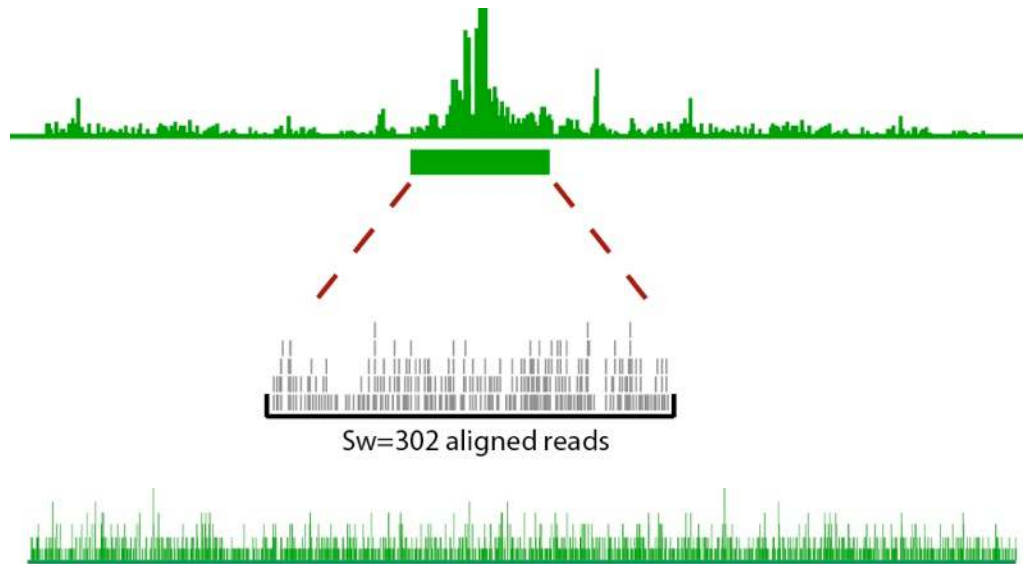
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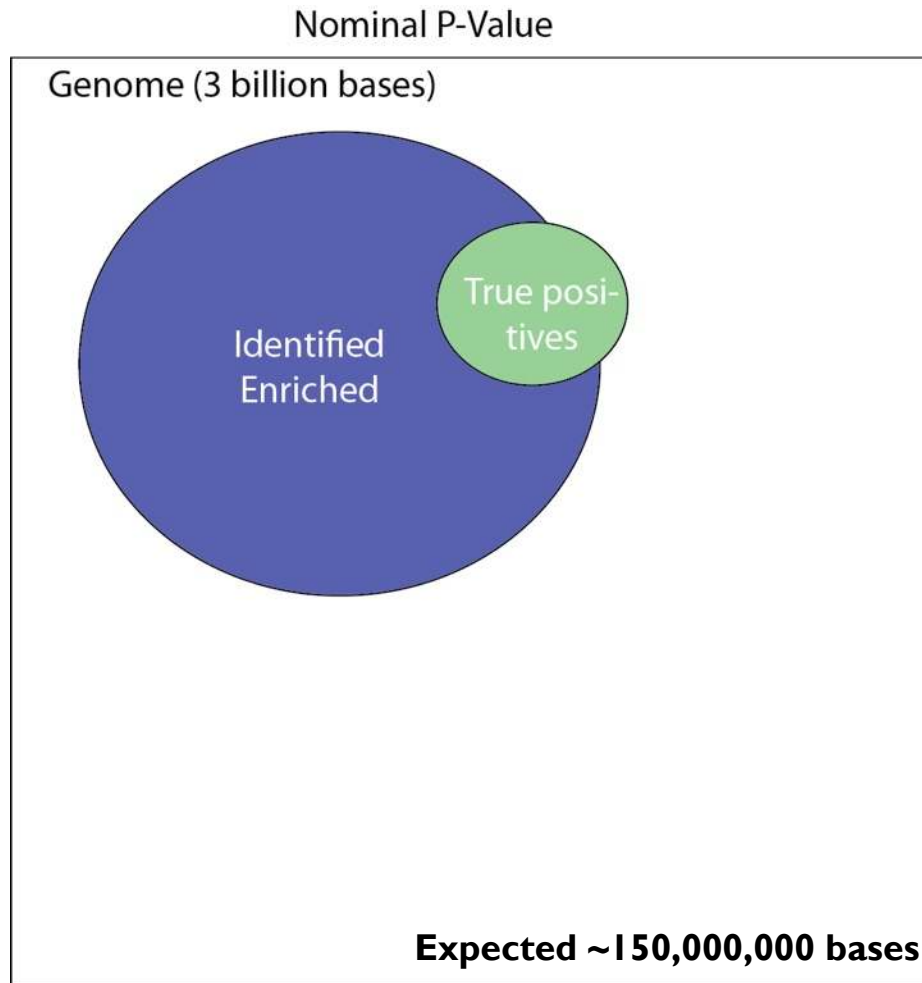


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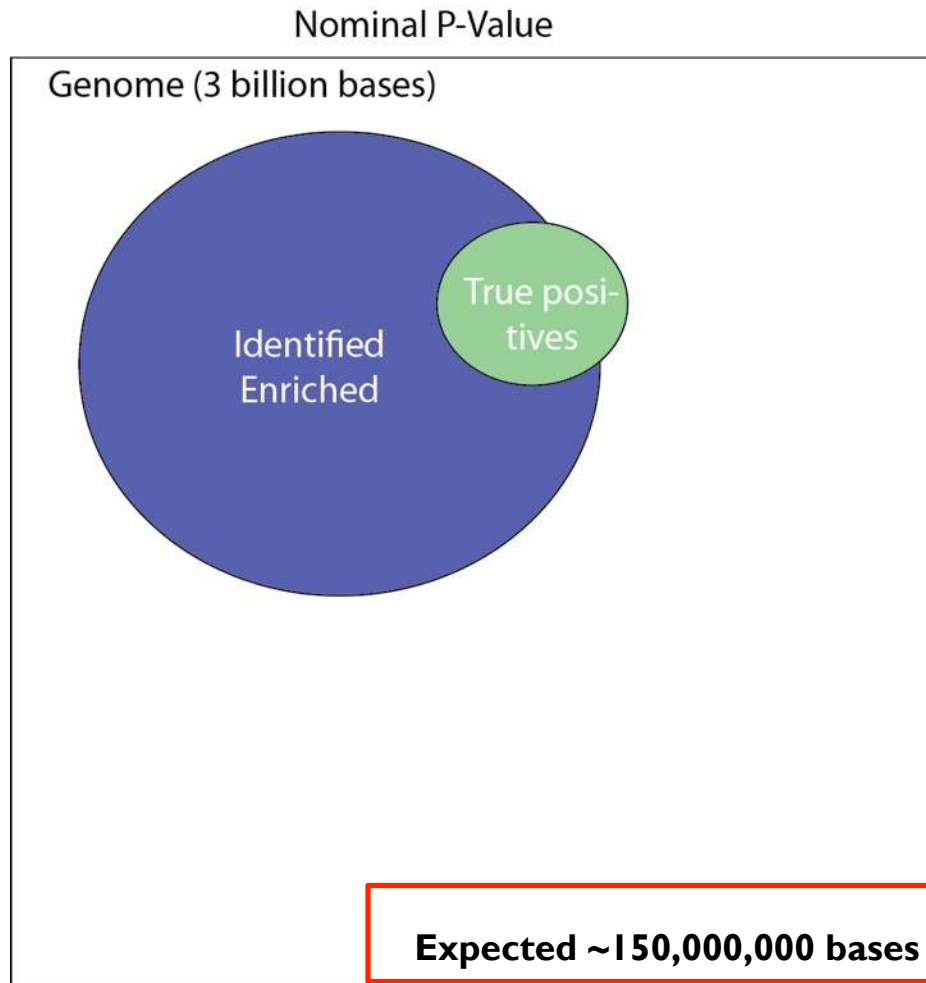


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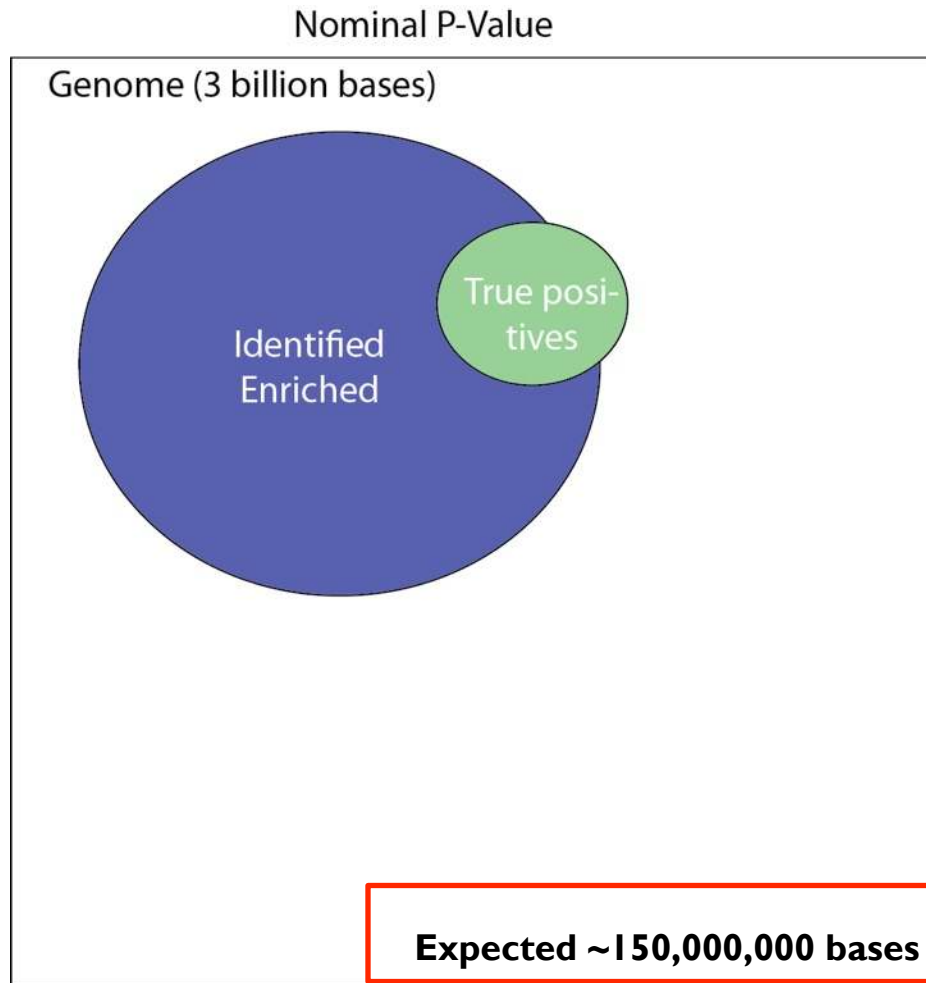
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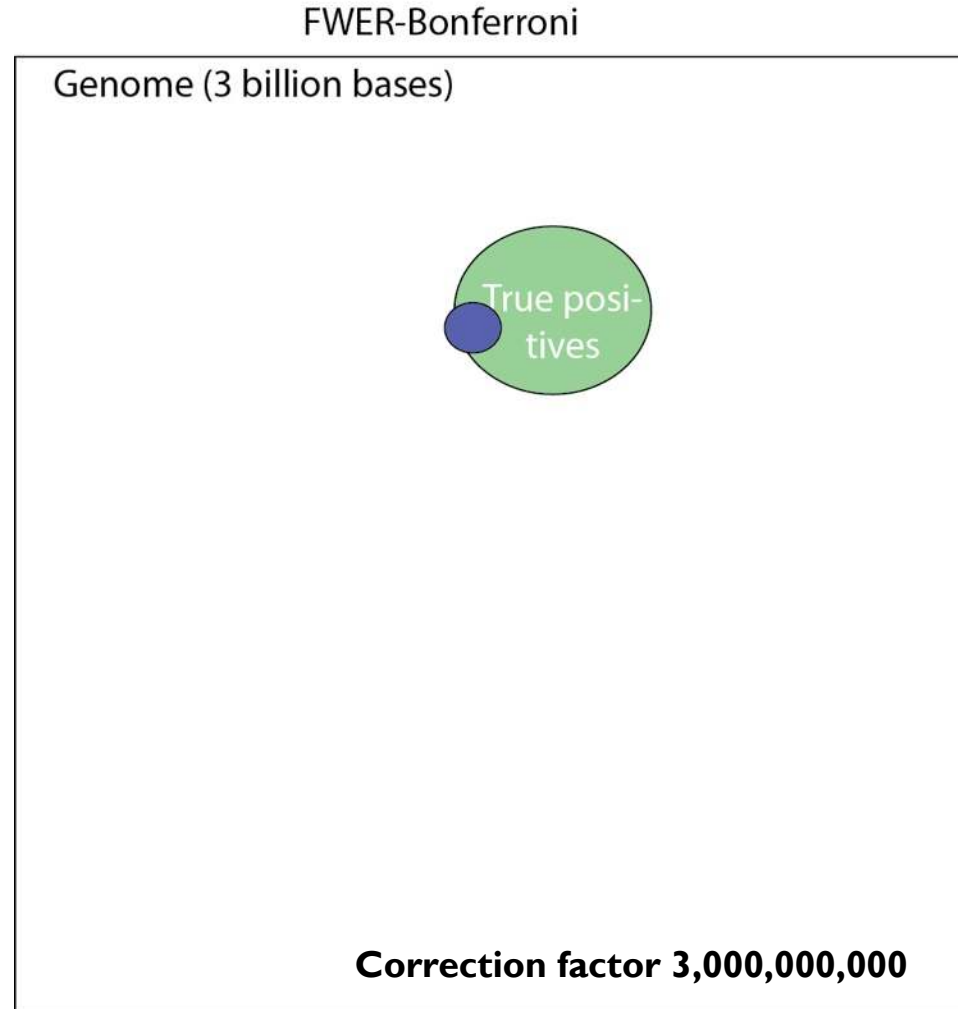


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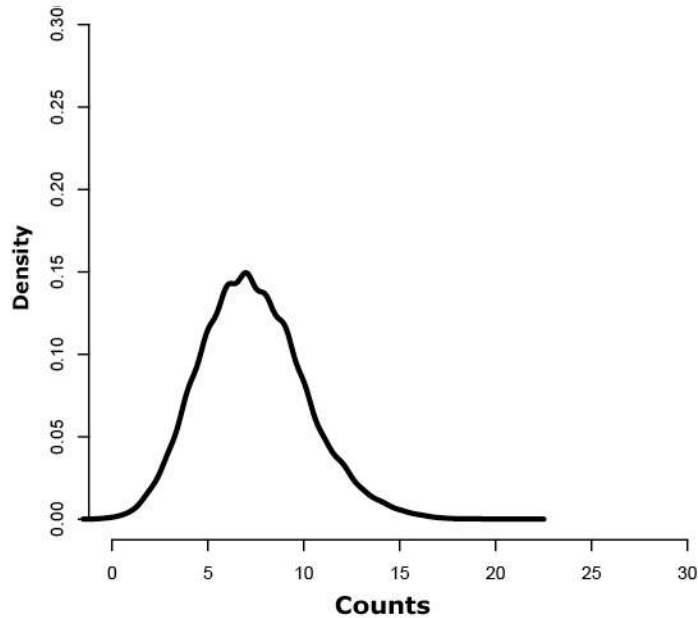
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Bonferroni correction is way to conservative



Bonferroni corrects the number of hits but misses many true hits because its too conservative– How do we get more power?

Controlling FWER



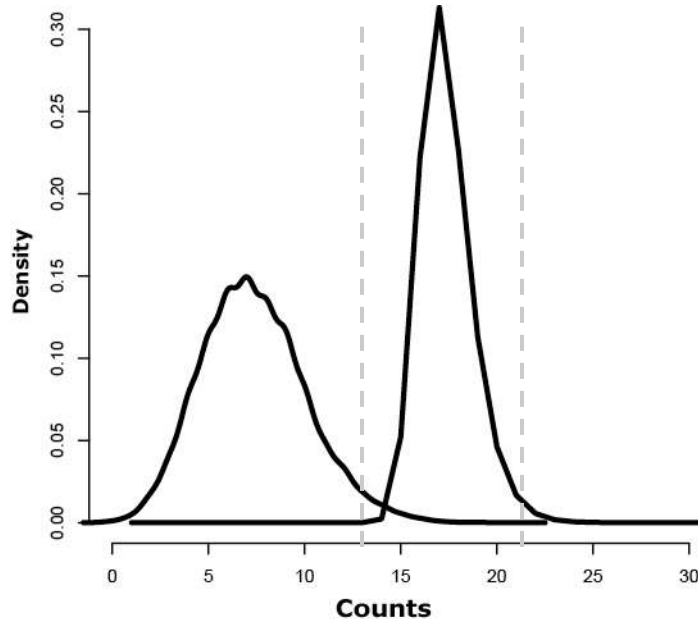
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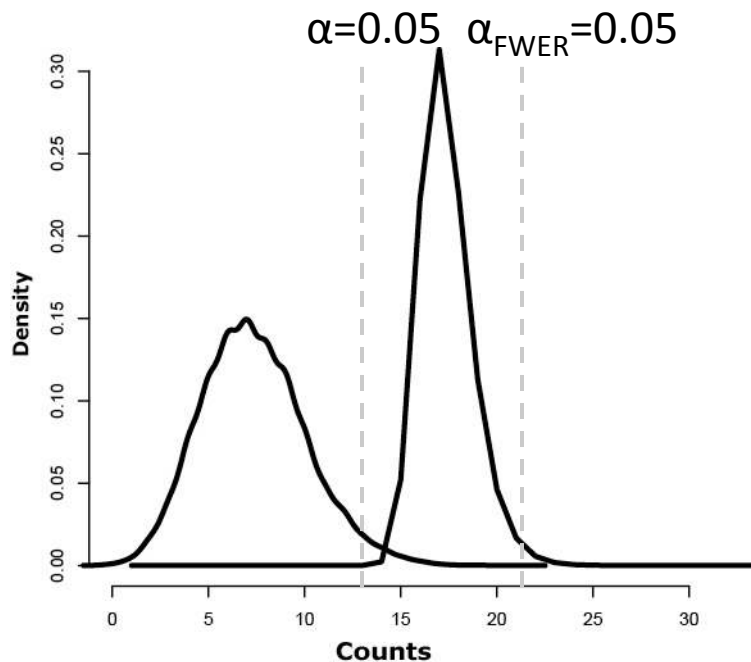
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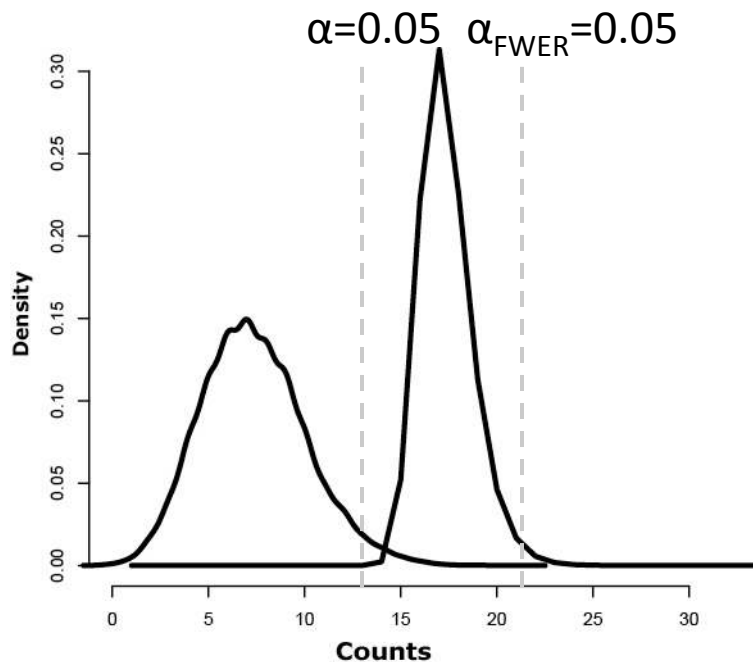
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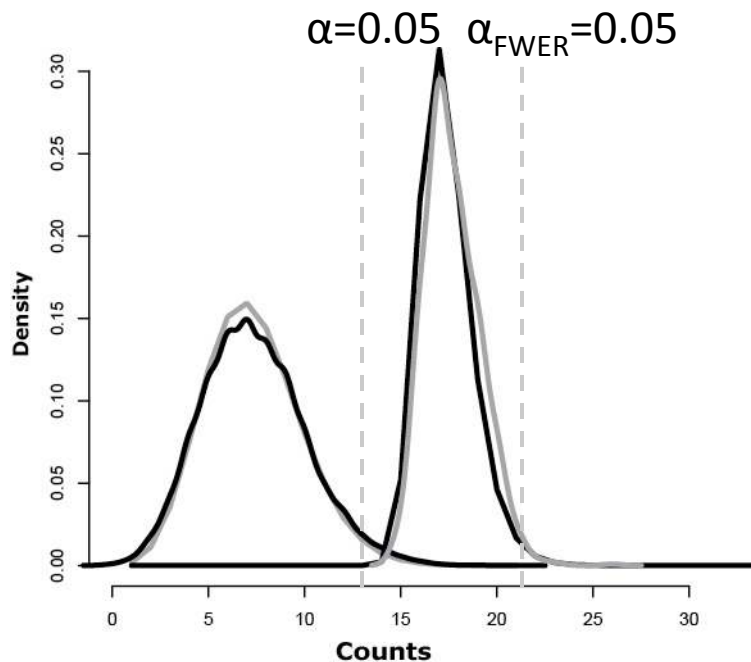
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Scan distribution for a Poisson process

The probability of observing k reads on a window of size w in a genome of size L given a total of N reads can be approximated by (Alm 1983):

$$P(k|\lambda w, N, L) \approx 1 - F_p(k-1|\lambda w)e^{-\frac{k-w\lambda}{k}\lambda(T-w)}P(k-1|\lambda w)$$

where

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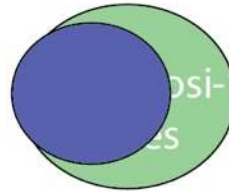
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The scan distribution gives a computationally very efficient way to estimate the FWER

FWER-Scan Statistics

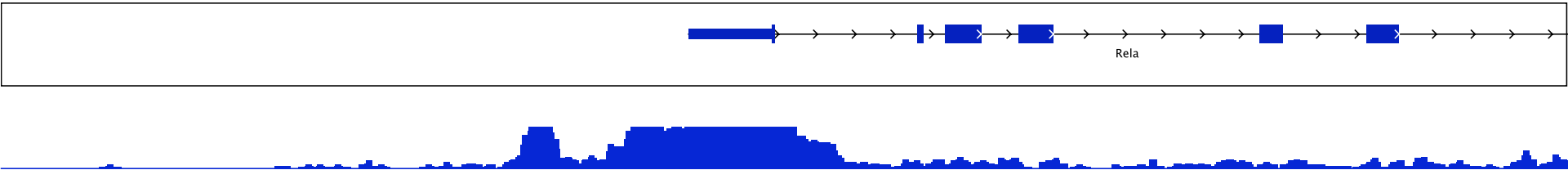
Genome (3 billion bases)



By utilizing the dependency of overlapping windows we have greater power, while still controlling the same genome-wide false positive rate.

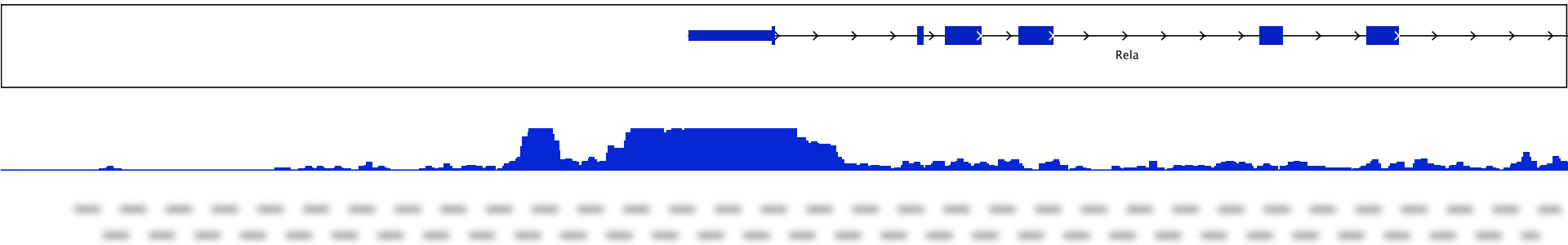
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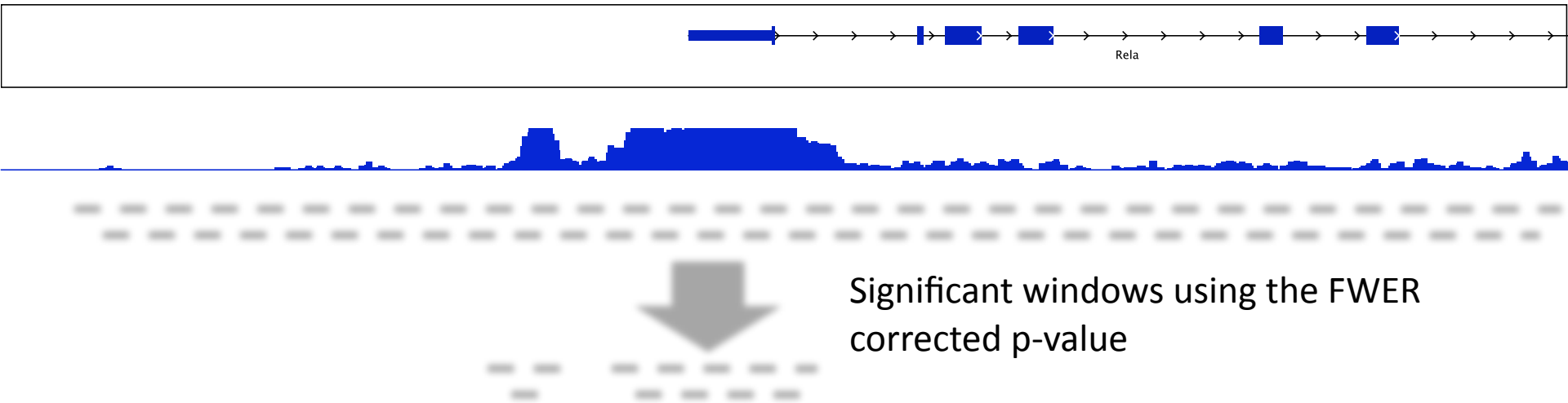
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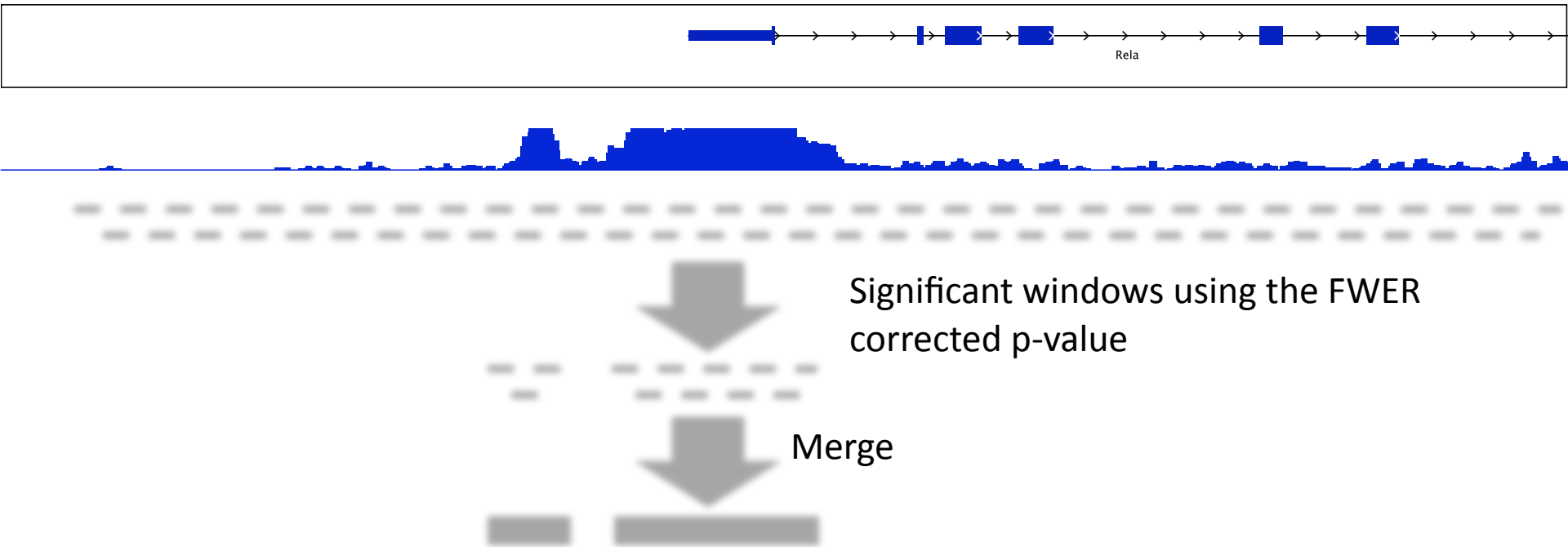
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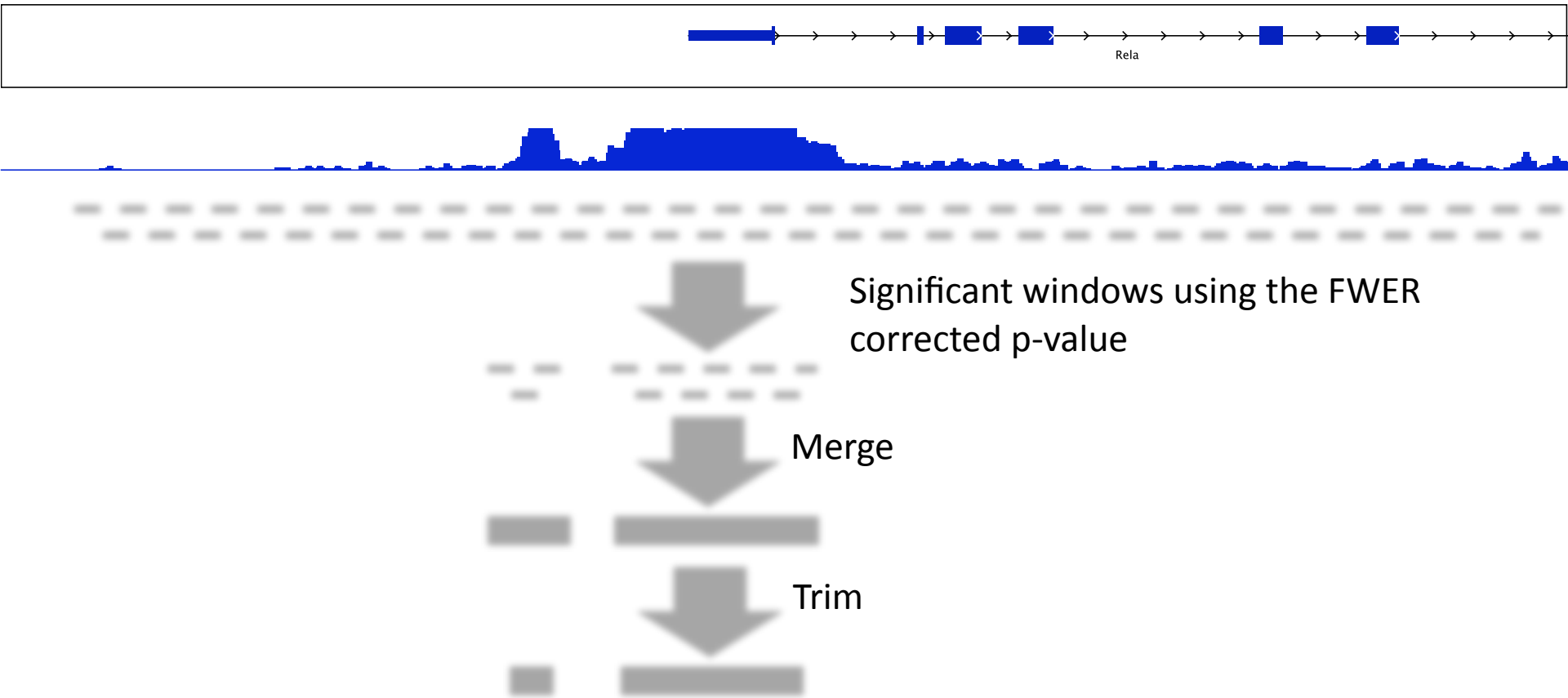
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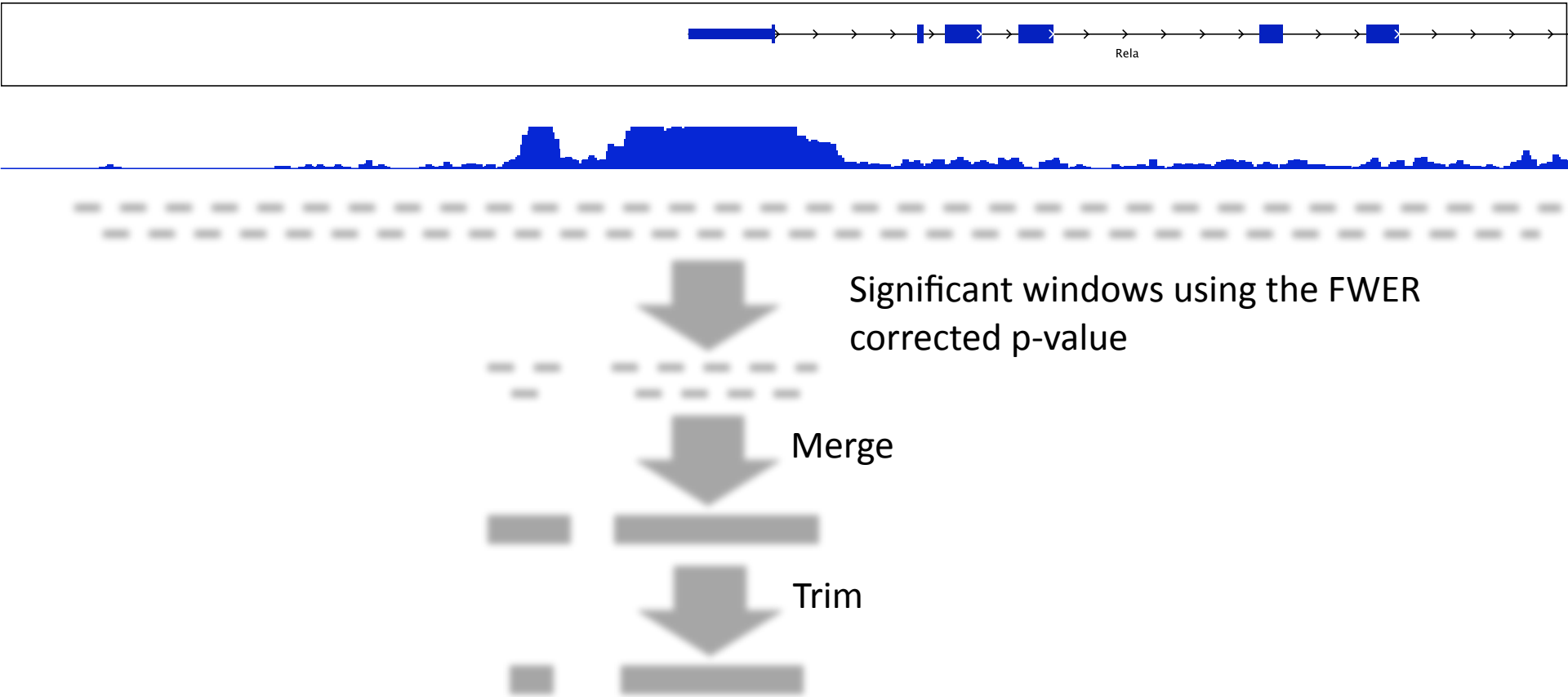
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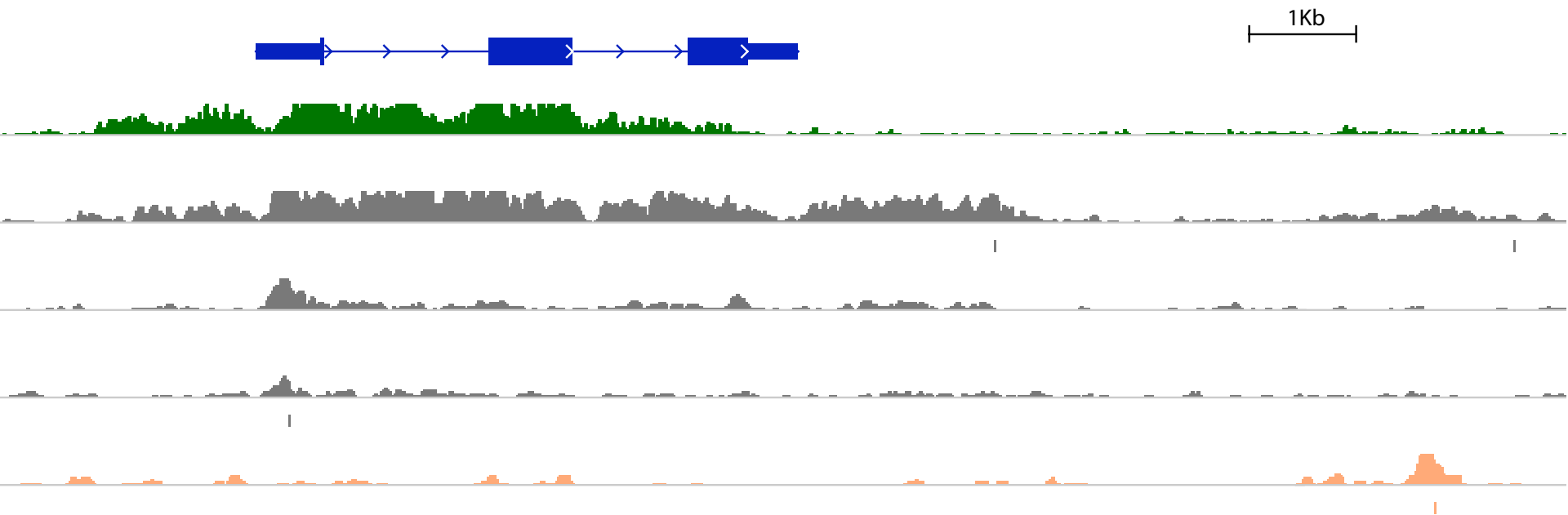


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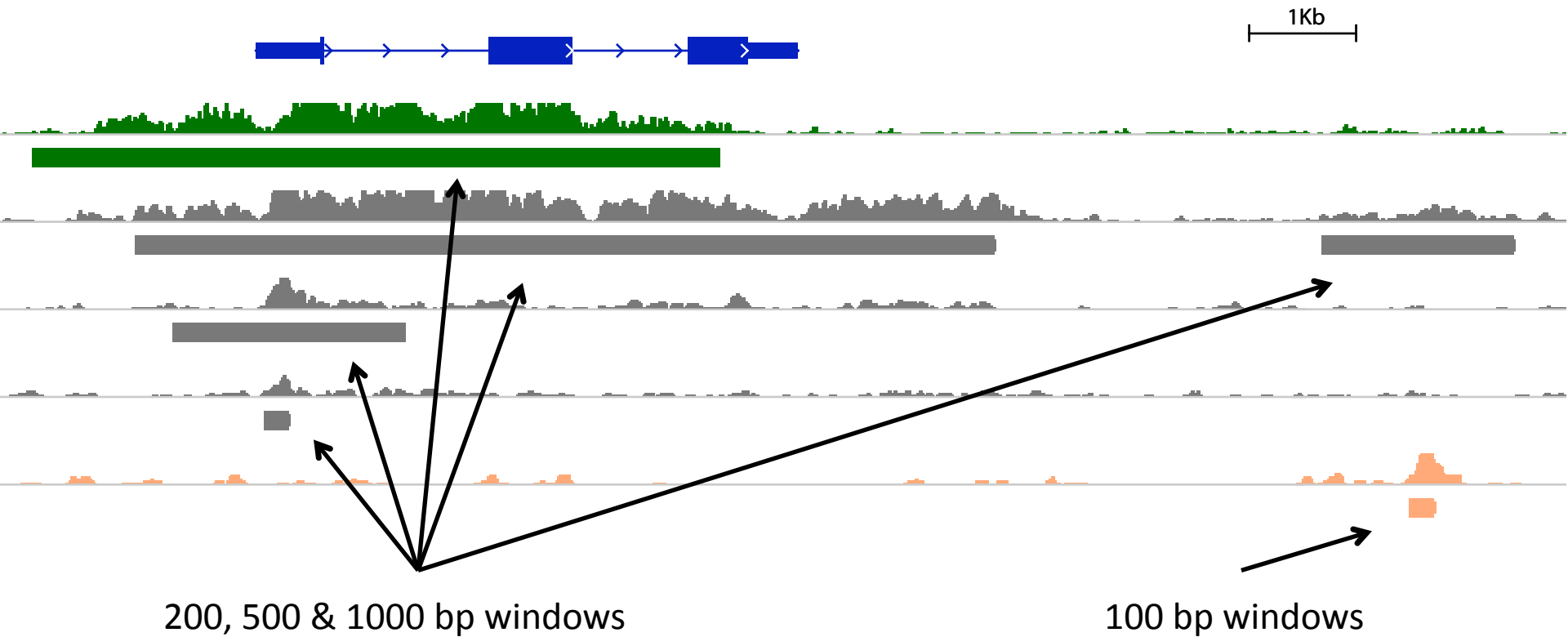
We use multiple windows

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- Longer windows can detect regions of moderate enrichment over long spans.
- In practice we scan different windows, finding significant ones in each scan.
- In practice, it helps to use some prior information in picking the windows although globally it might be ok.

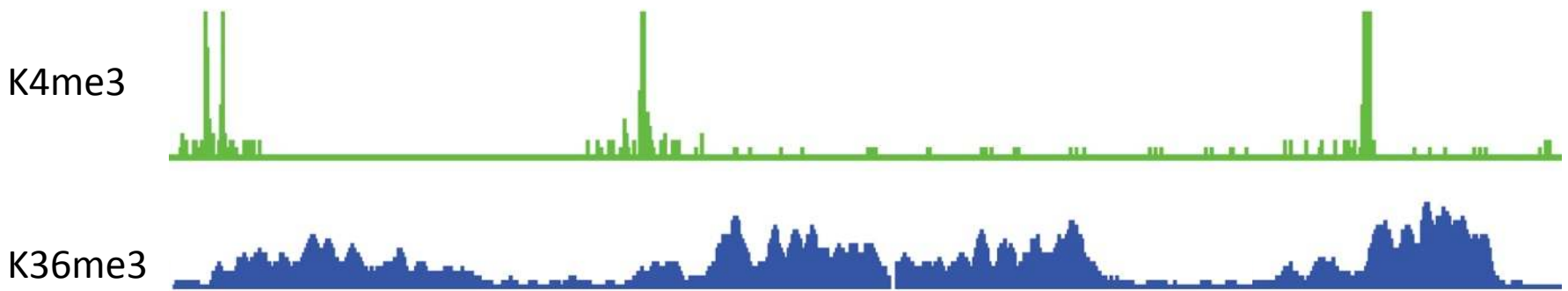
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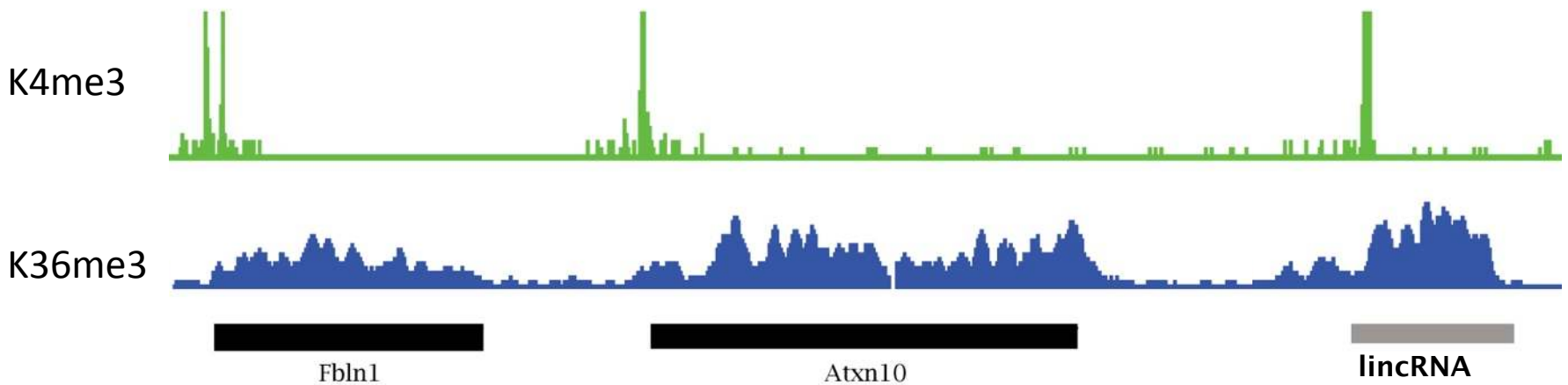


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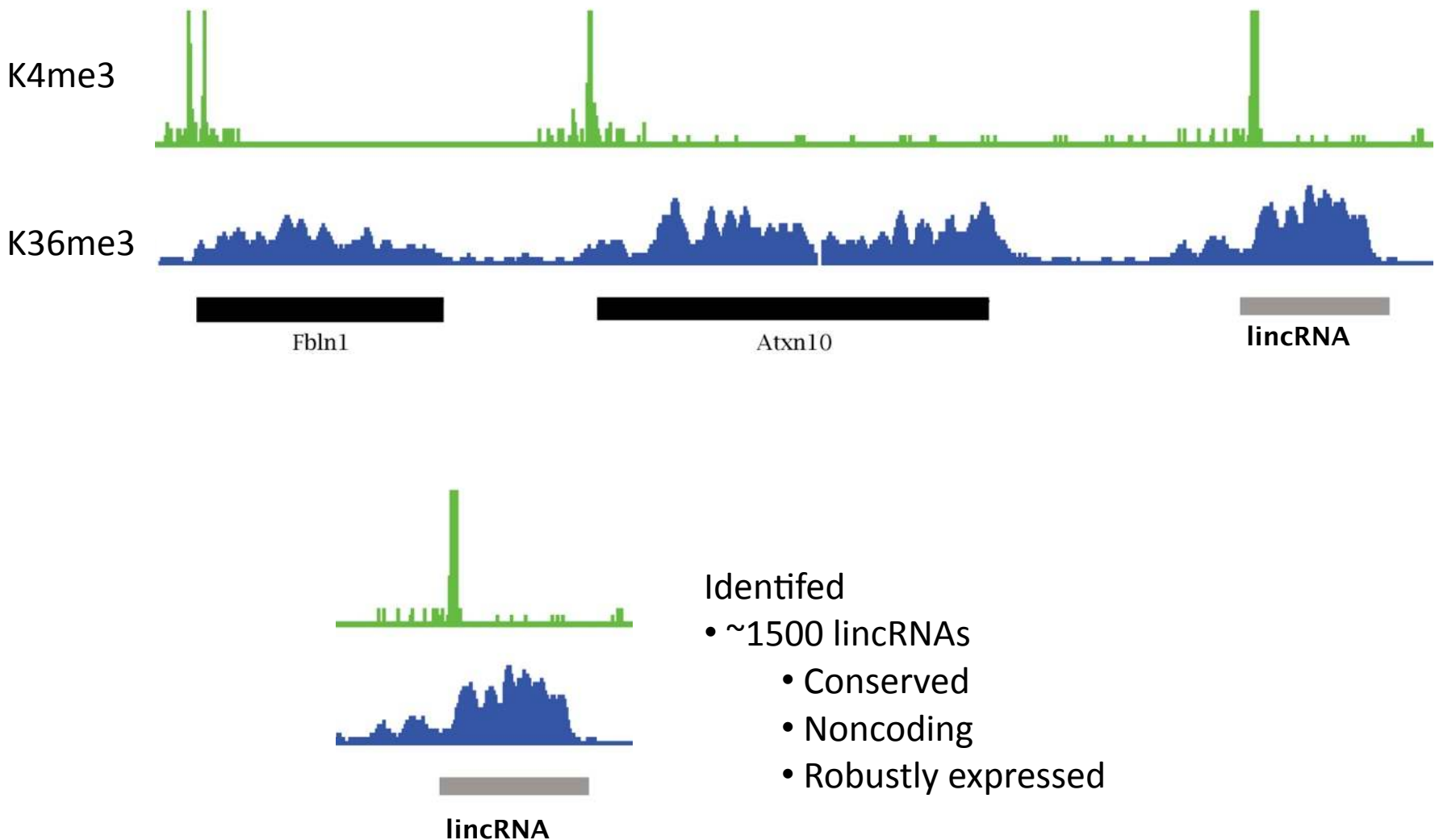
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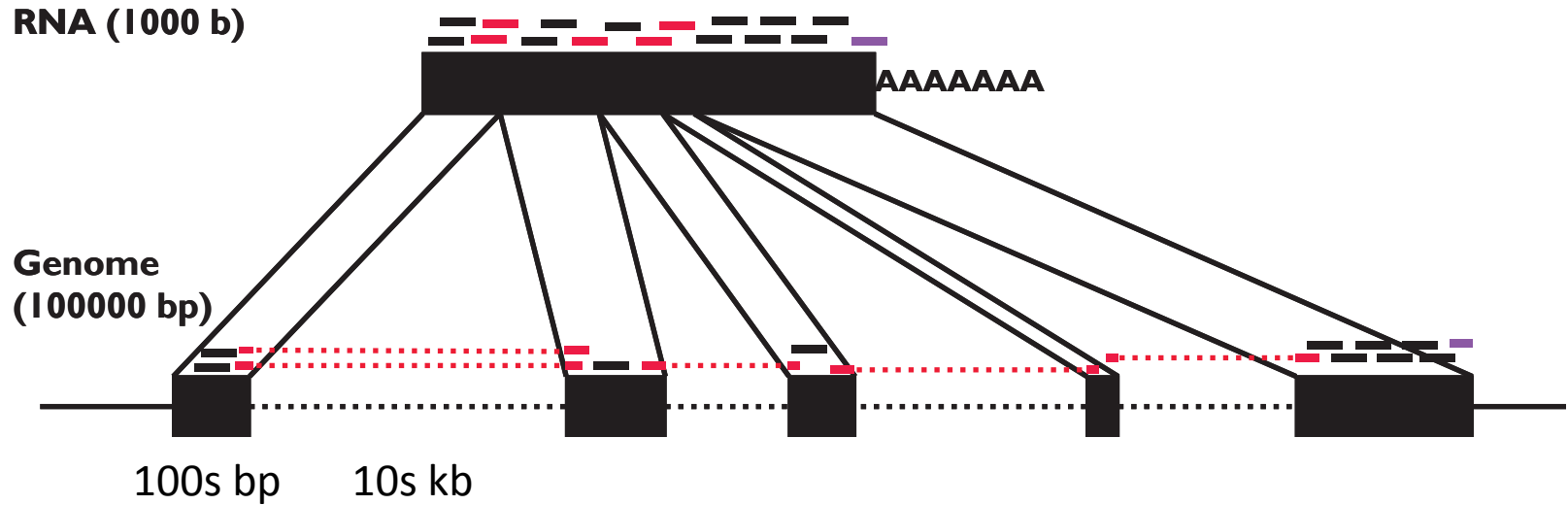
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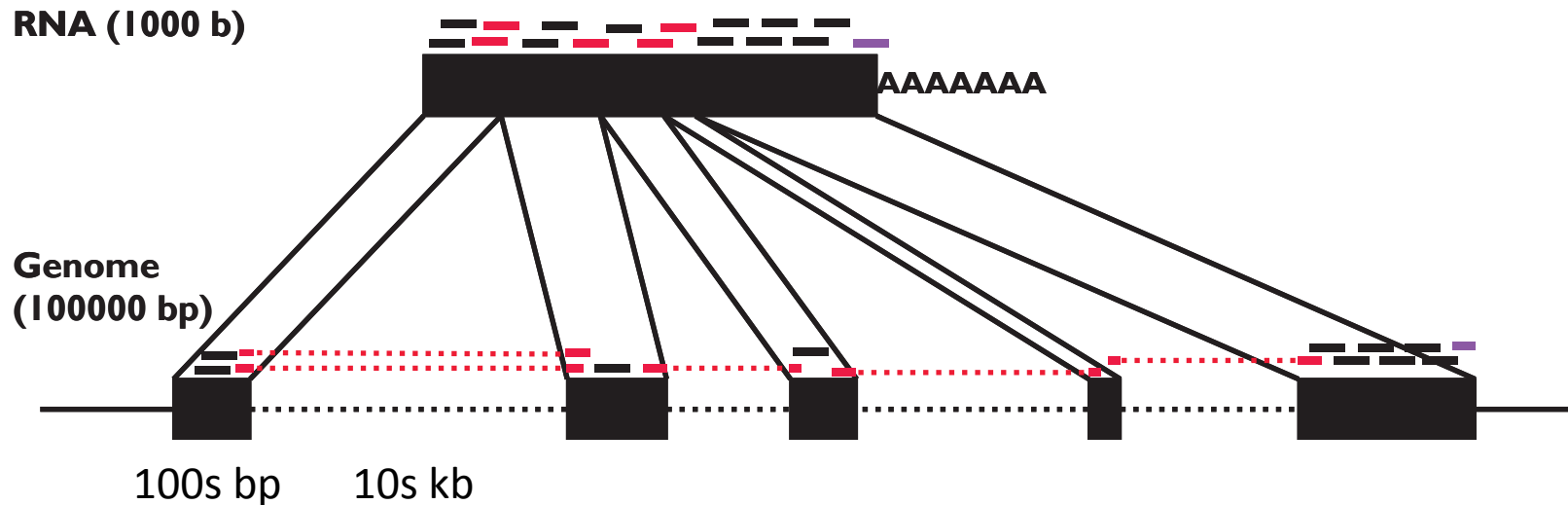
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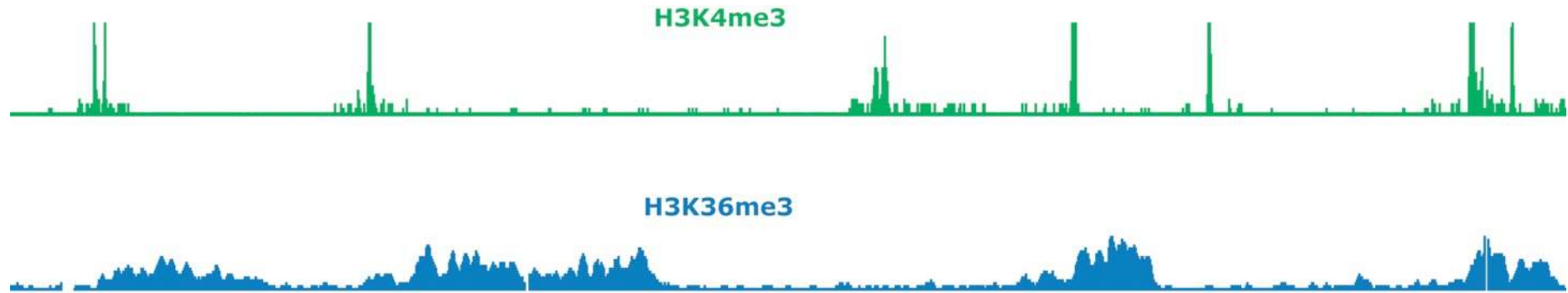
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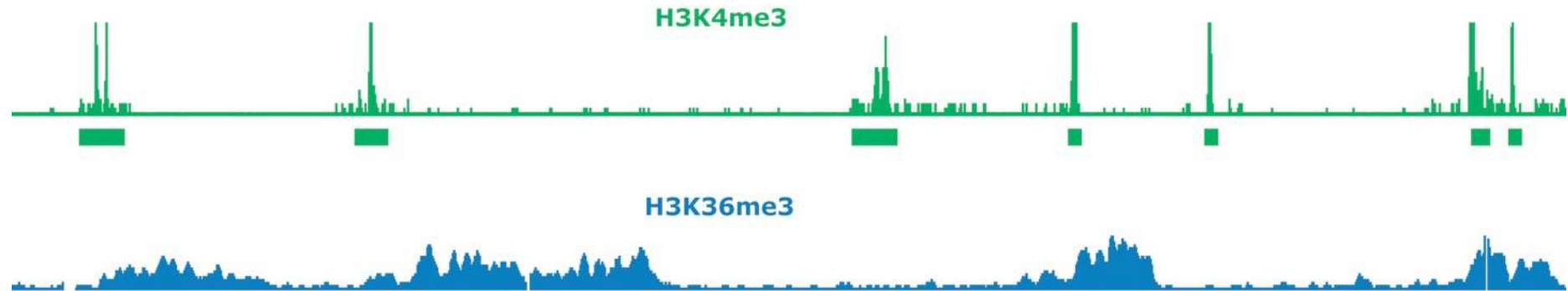
Challenges:

- Genes exist at many different expression levels, spanning several orders of magnitude.
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- Reads are short and genes can have many isoforms making it challenging to determine which isoform produced each read.

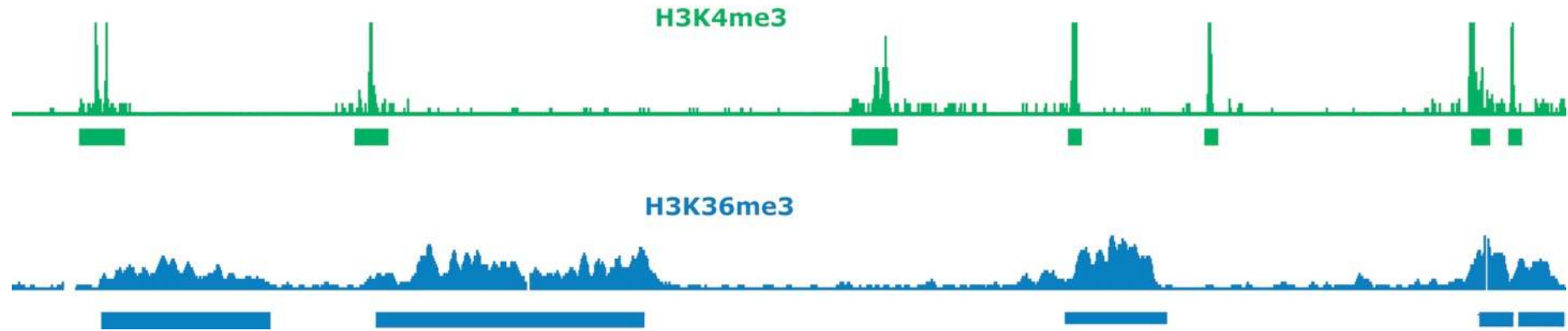
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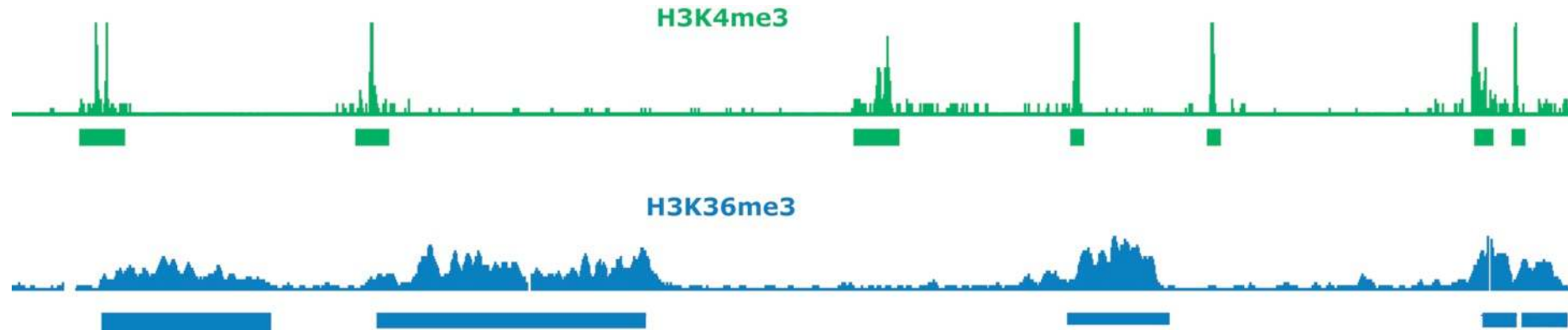
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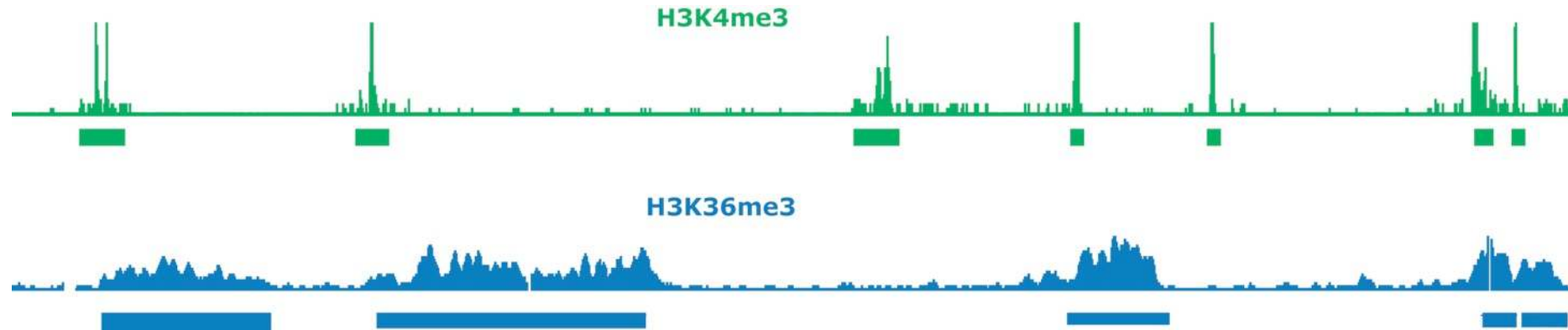


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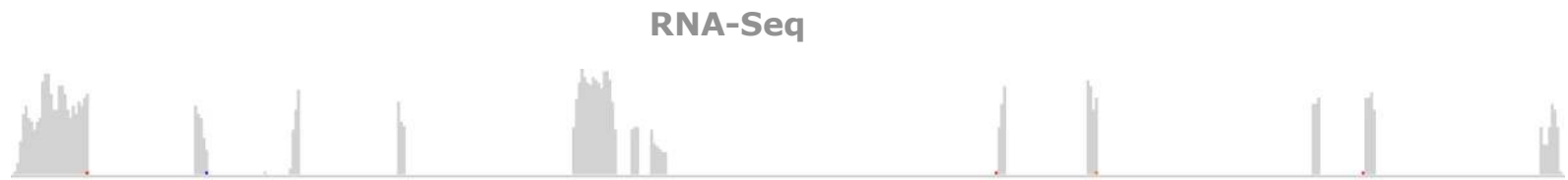


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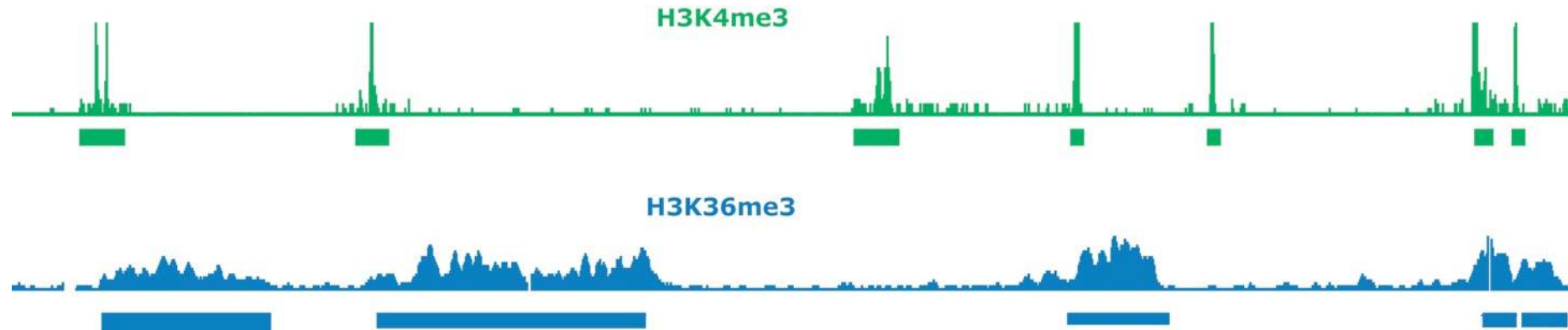
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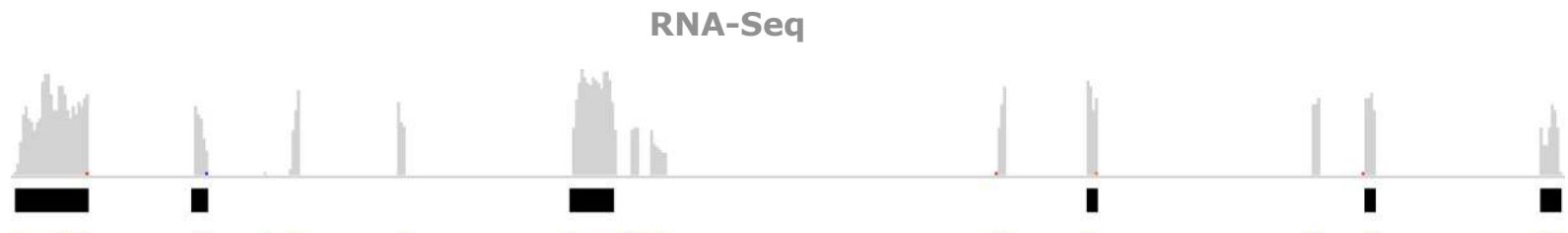
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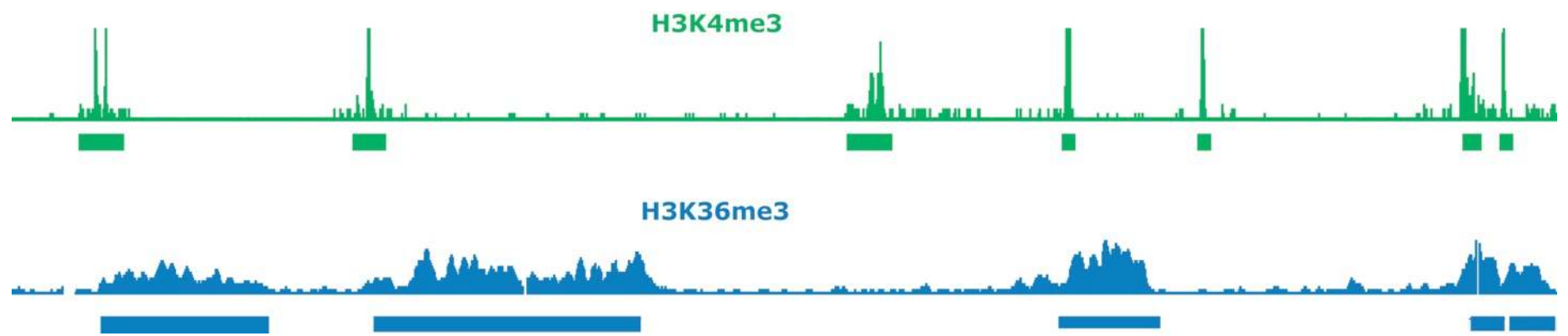
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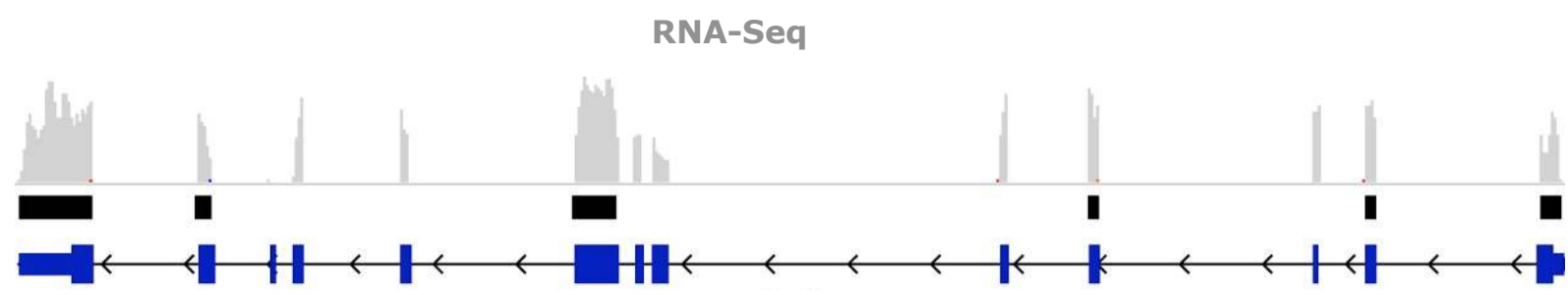
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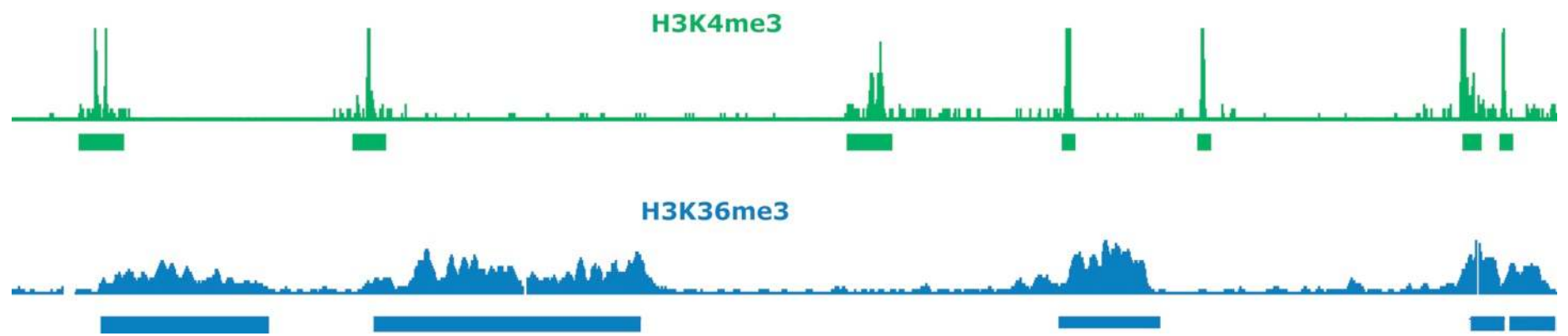
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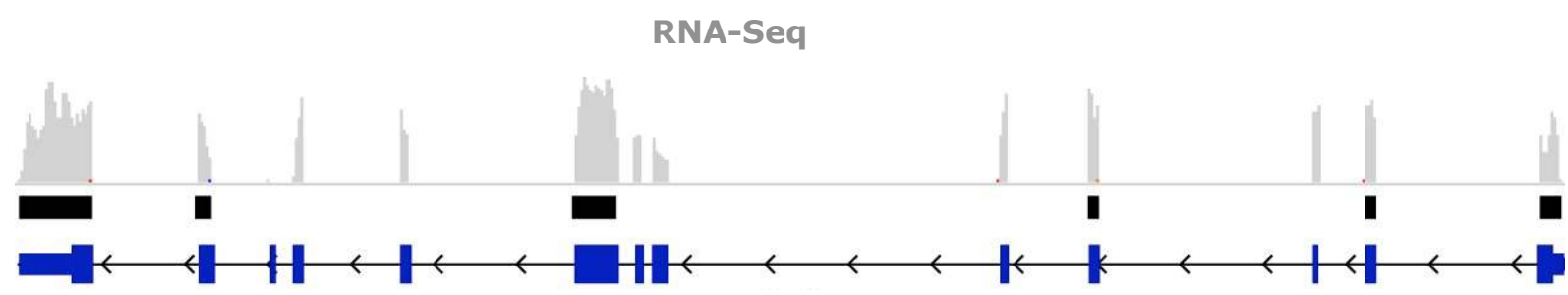
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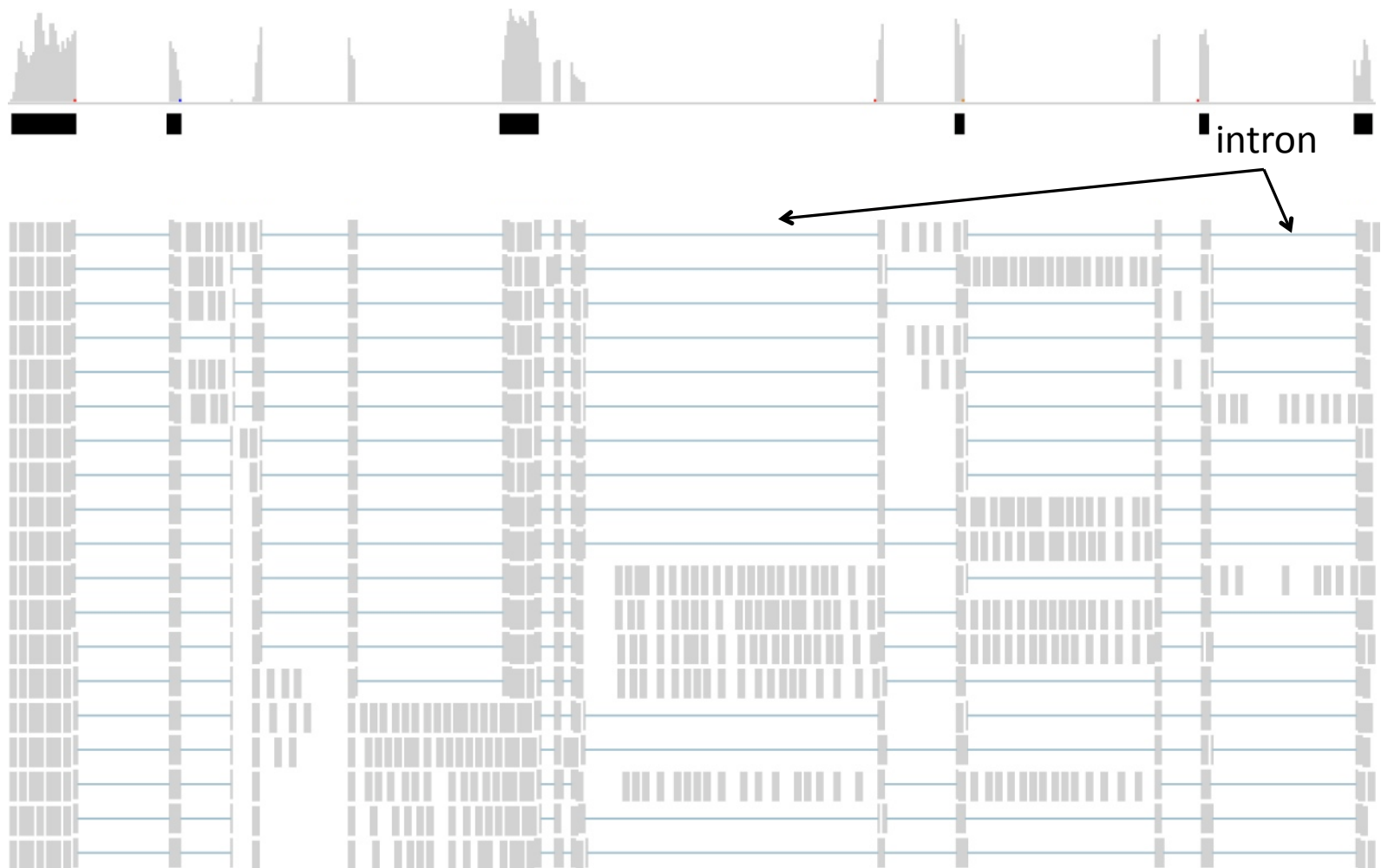


If we know the connectivity of fragments, we can increase our power to detect transcripts

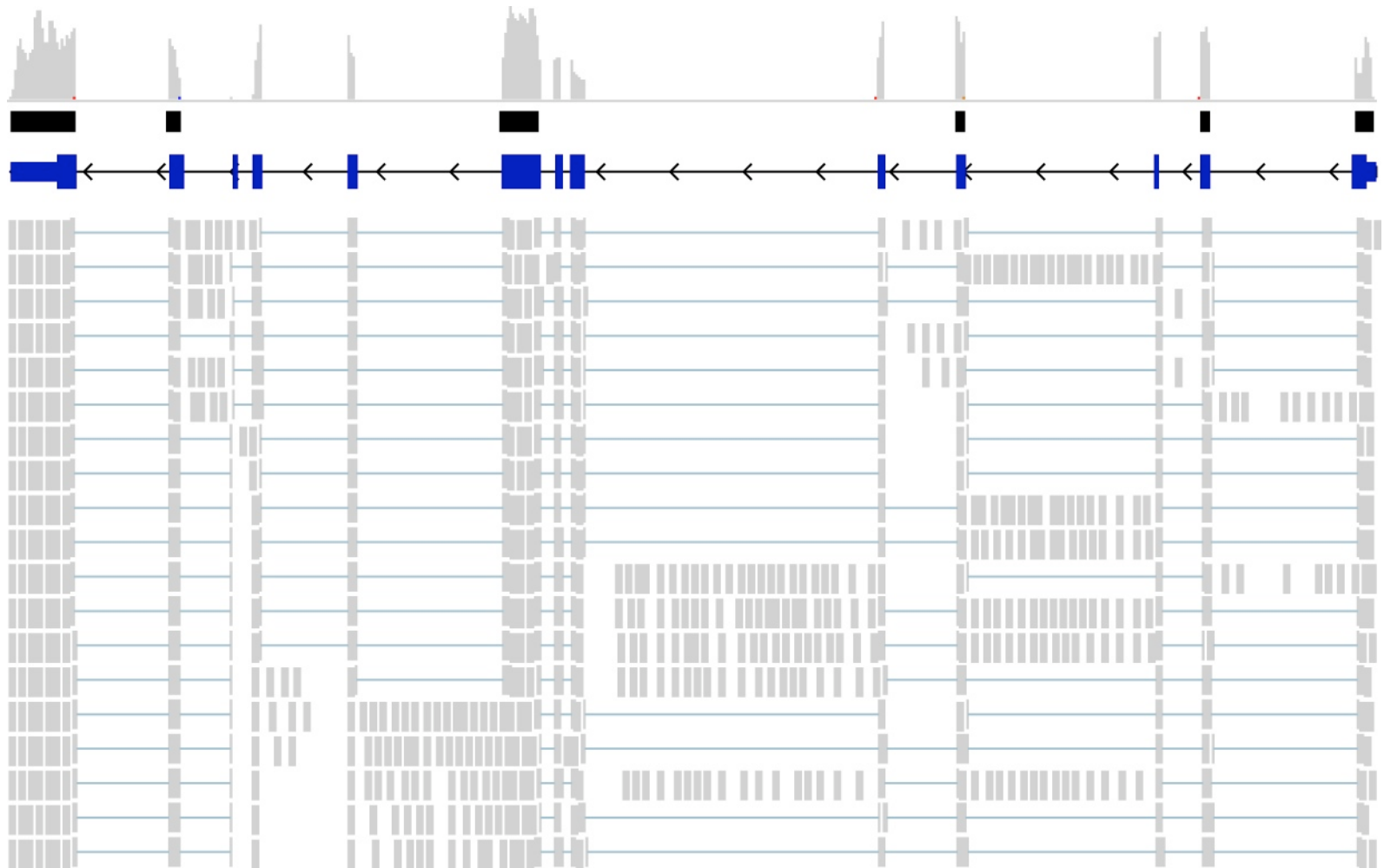
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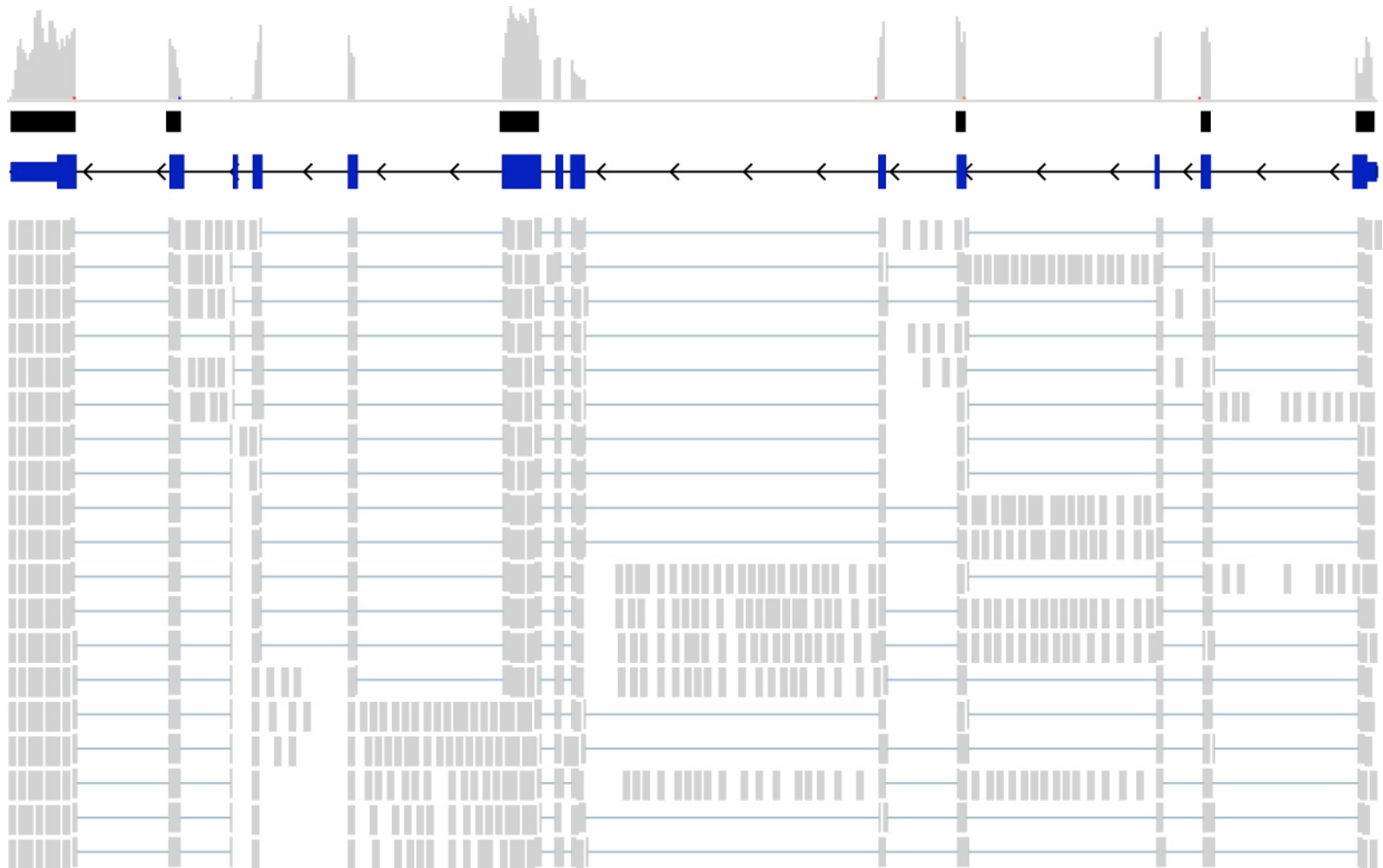
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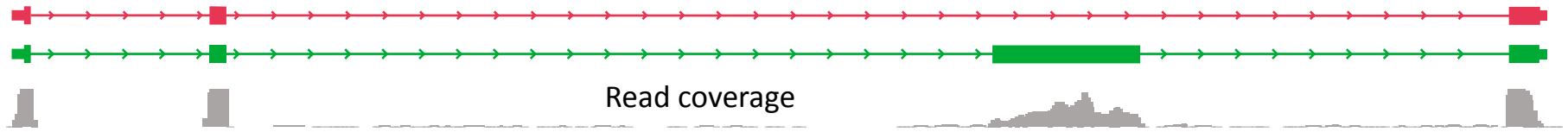
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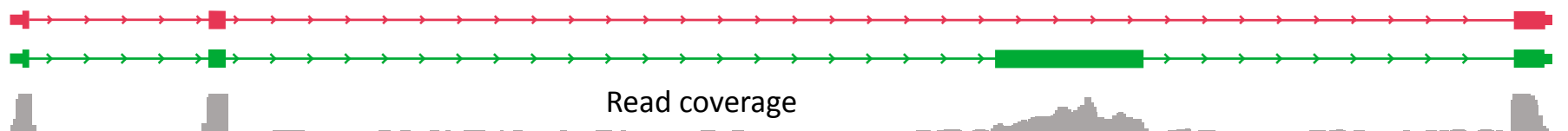
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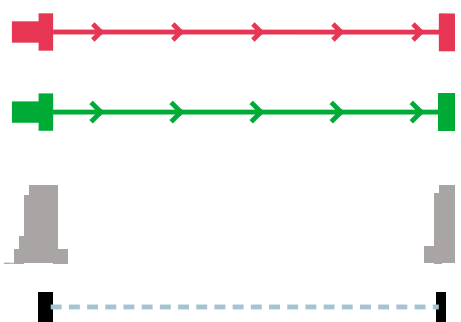
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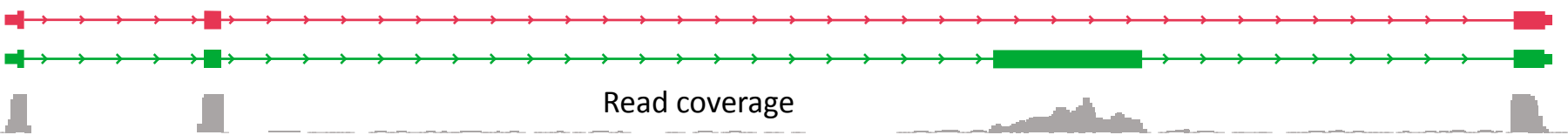
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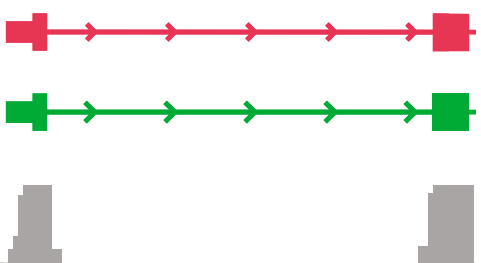
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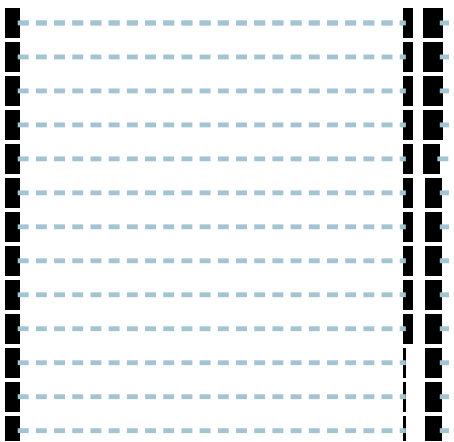
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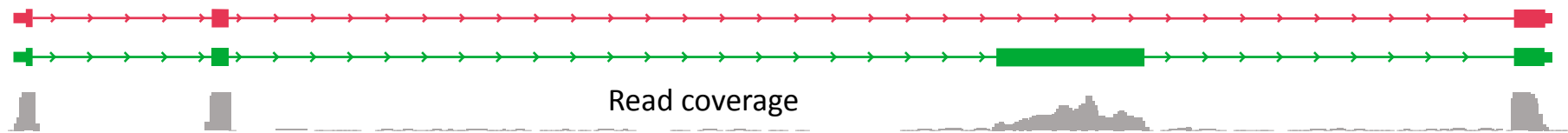


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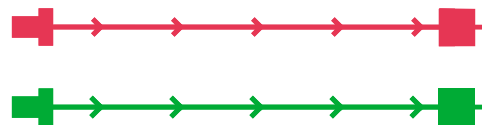


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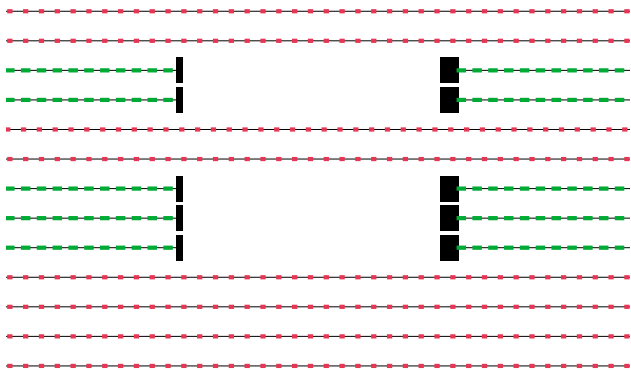
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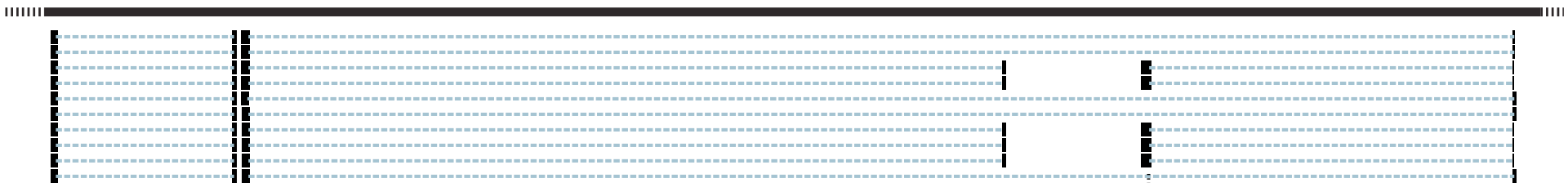
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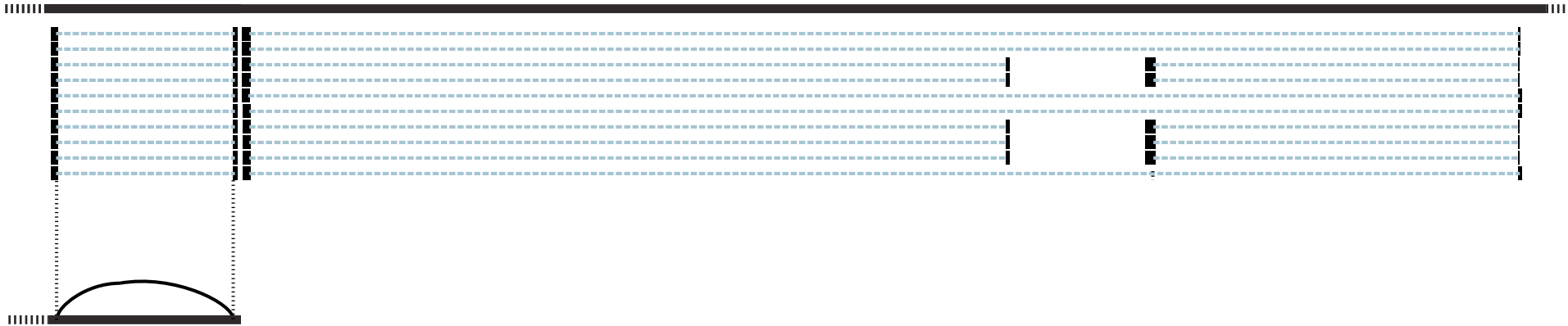
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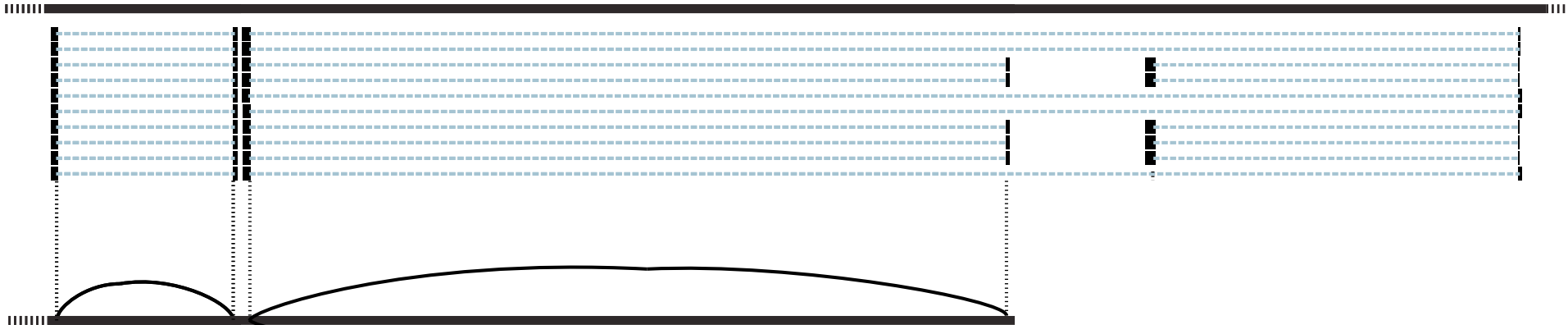


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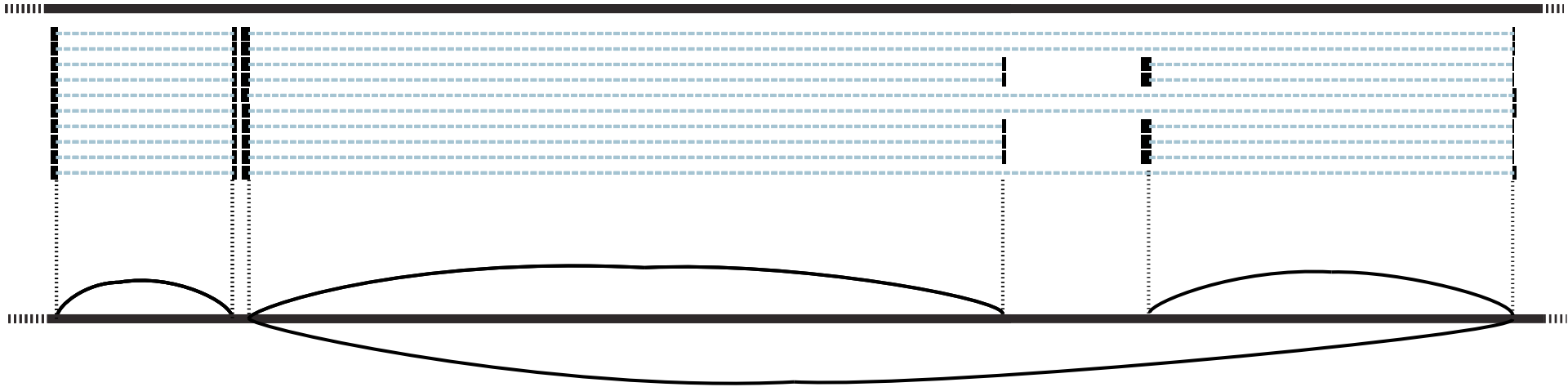


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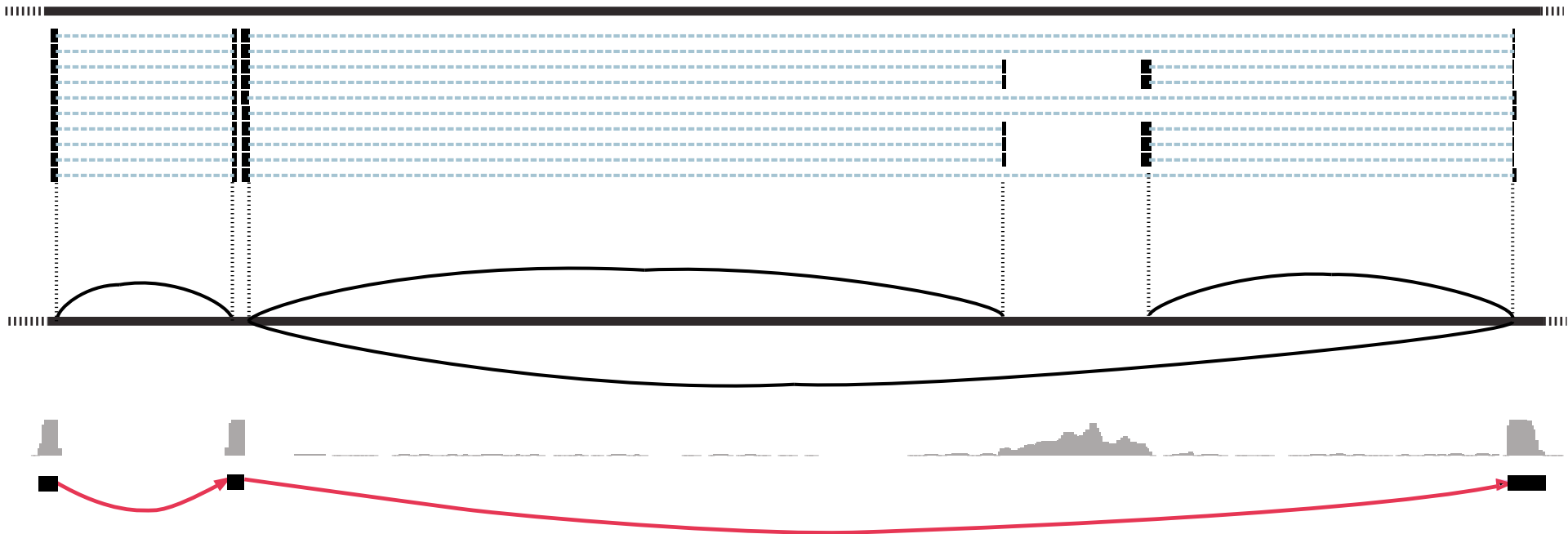


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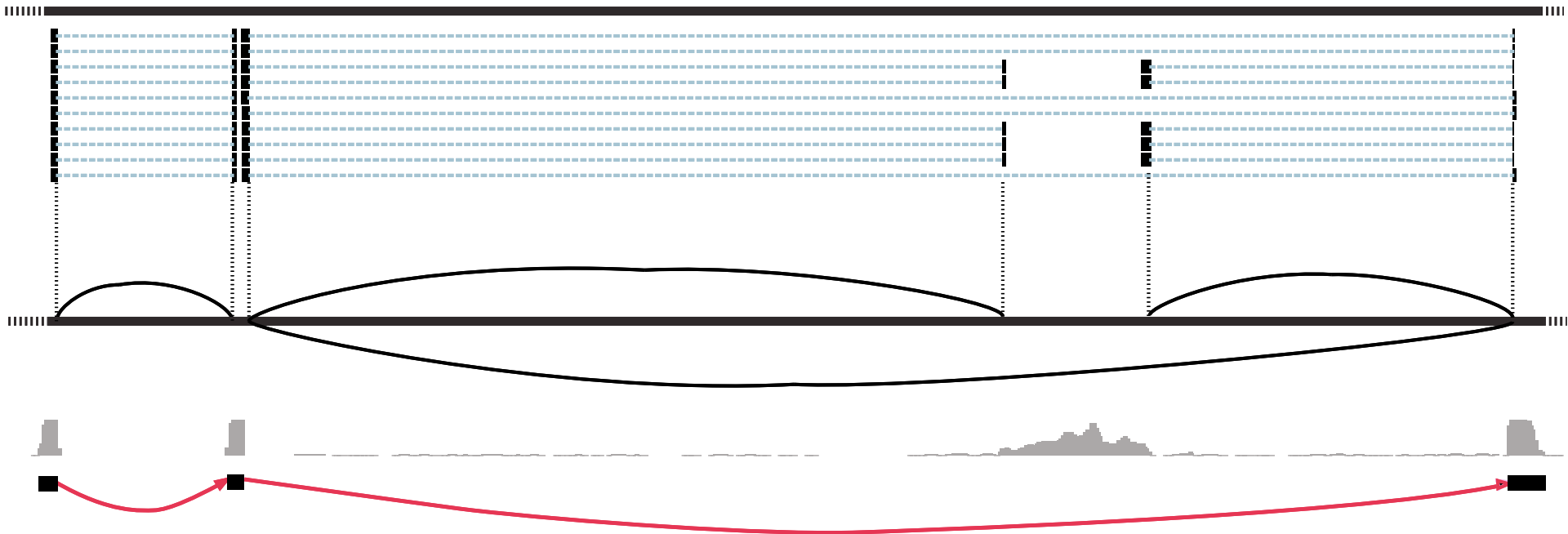
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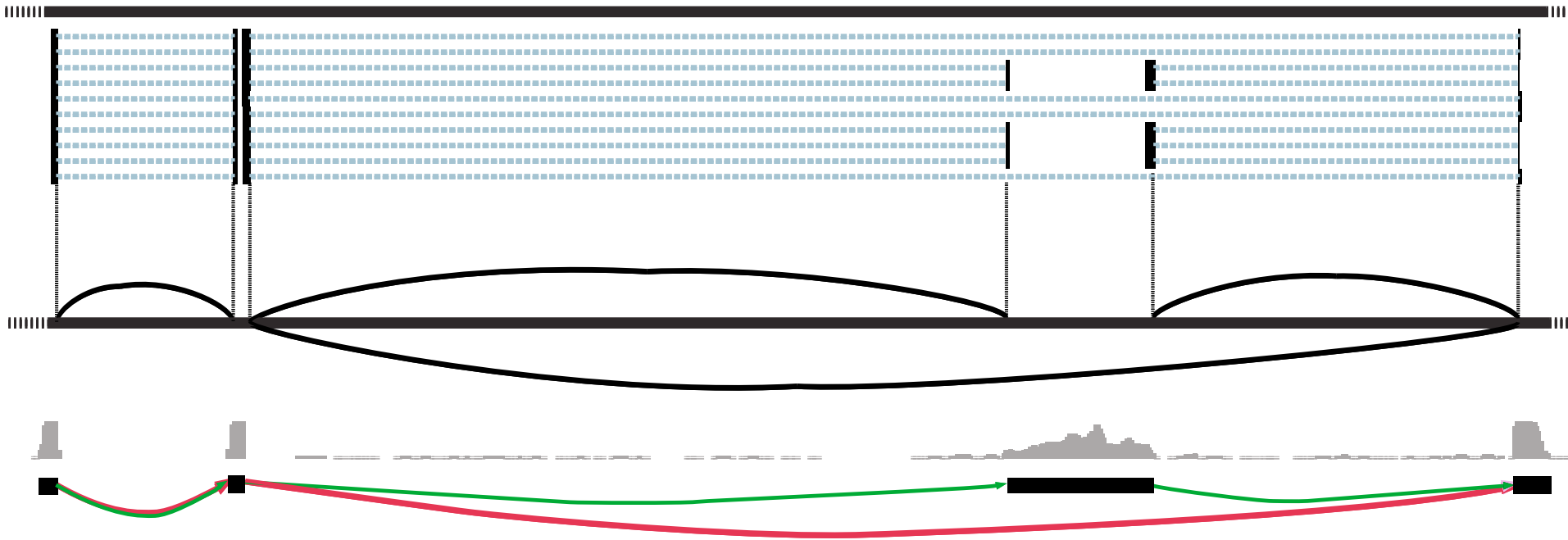


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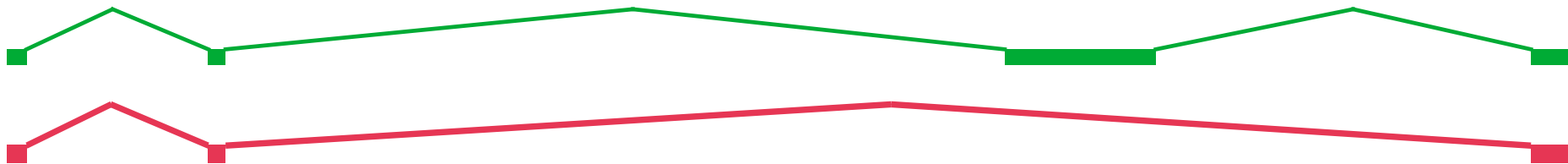


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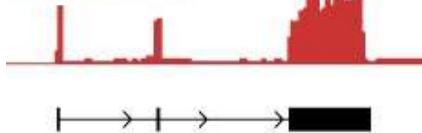
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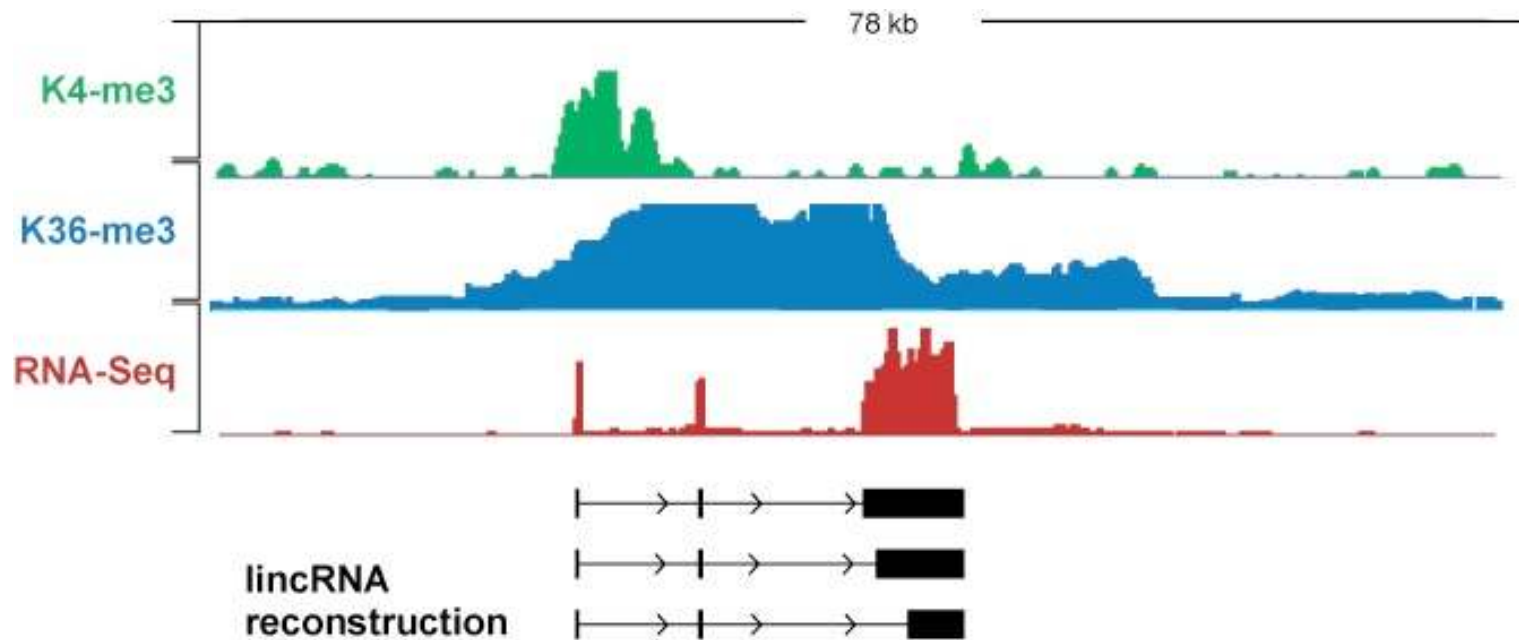


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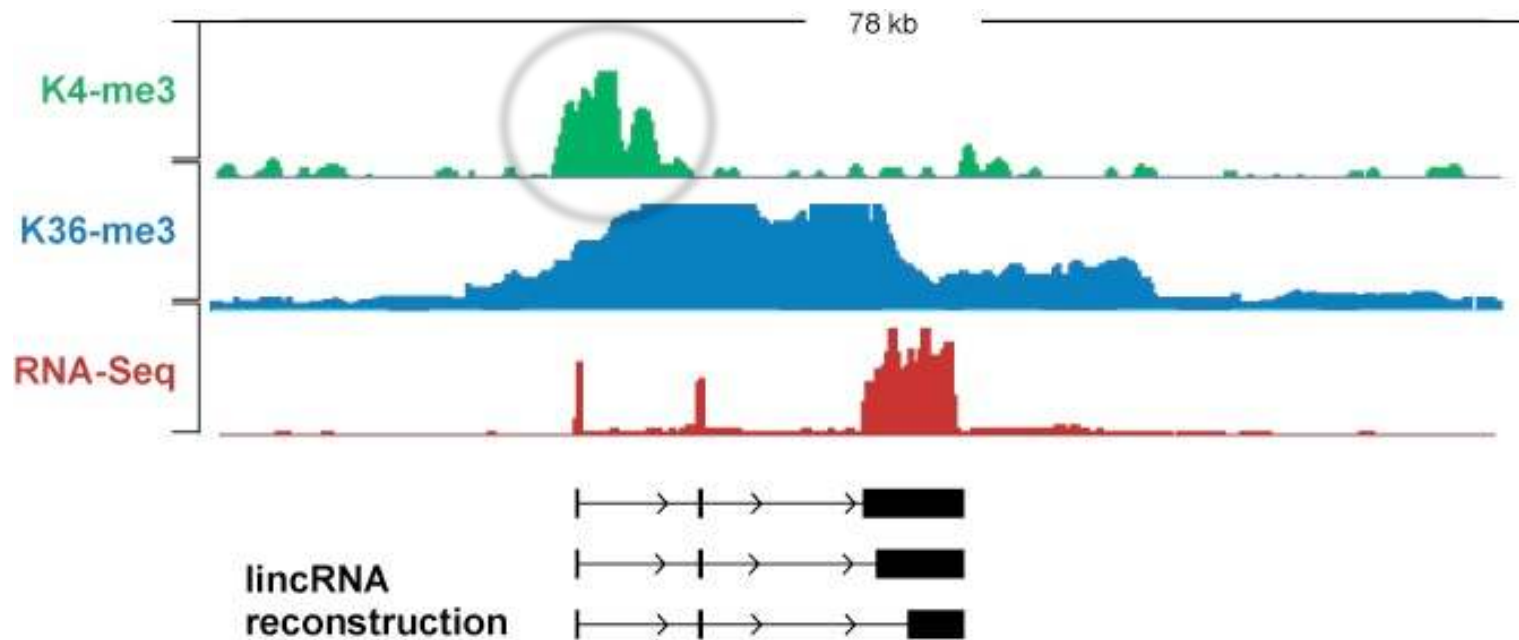


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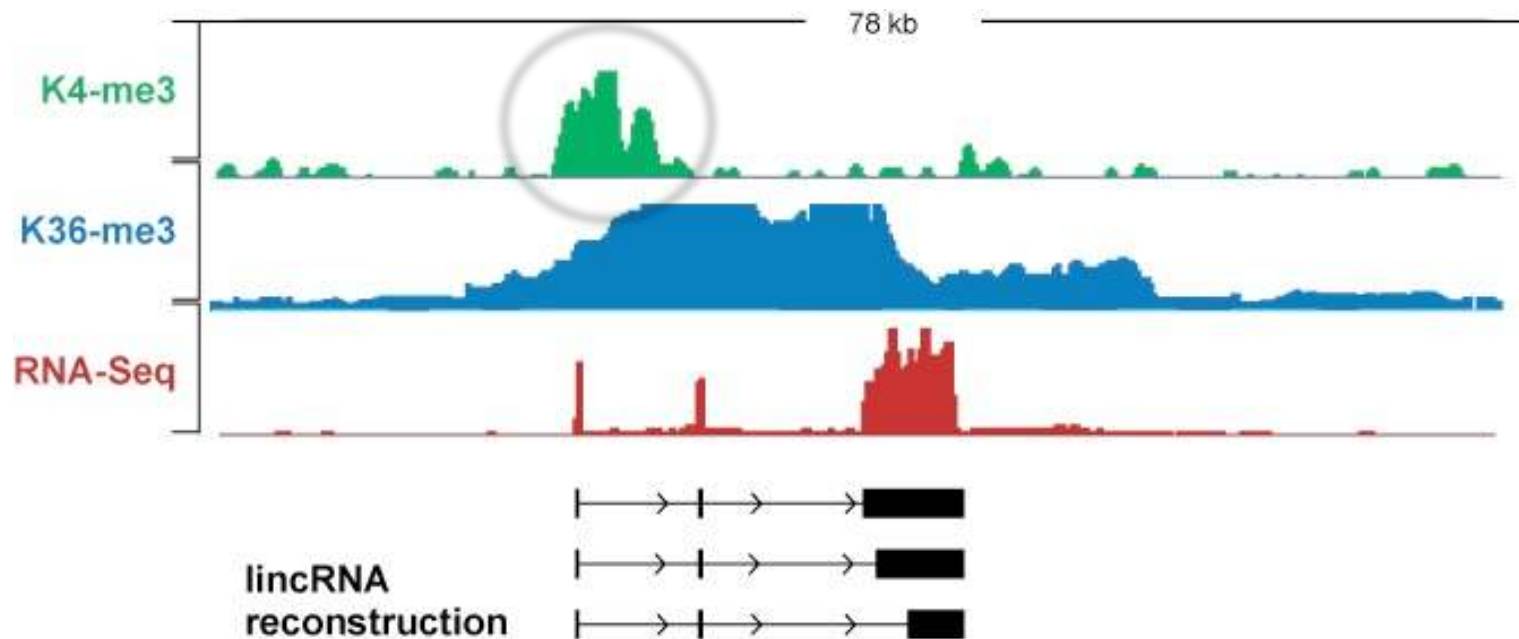
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Library construction can help provide more information. More on this later

Applying scripture: Annotating the mouse transcriptome

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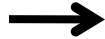


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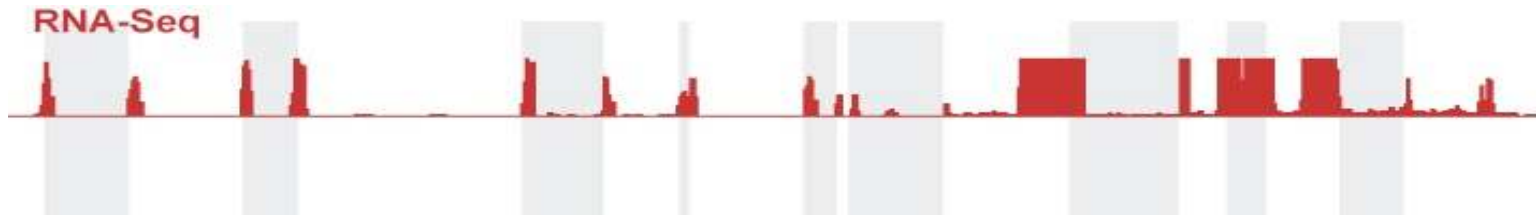
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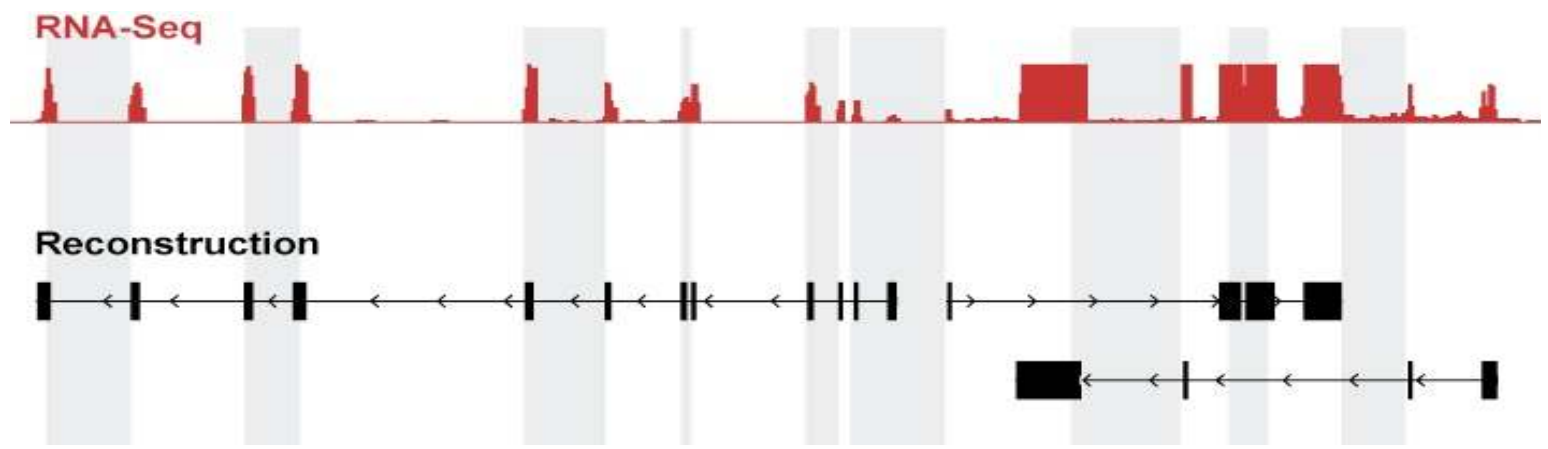
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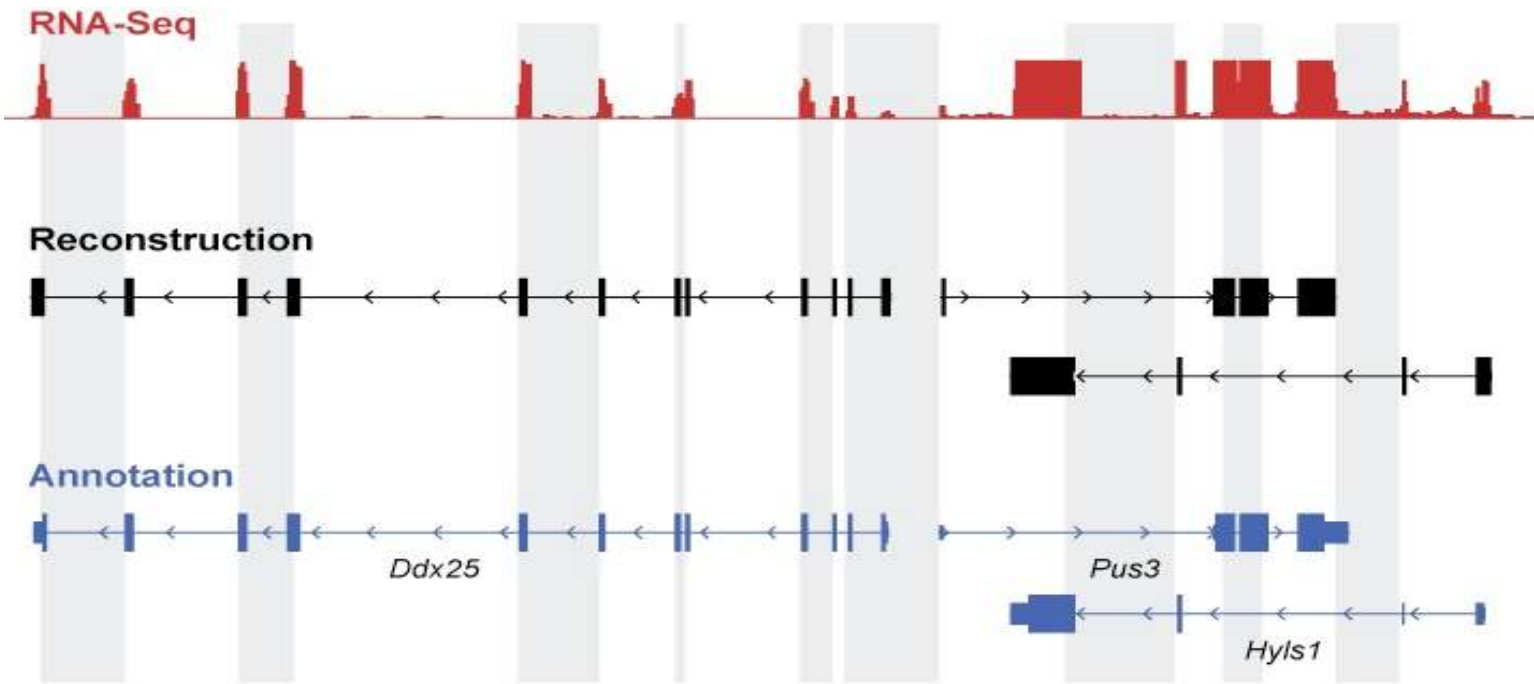
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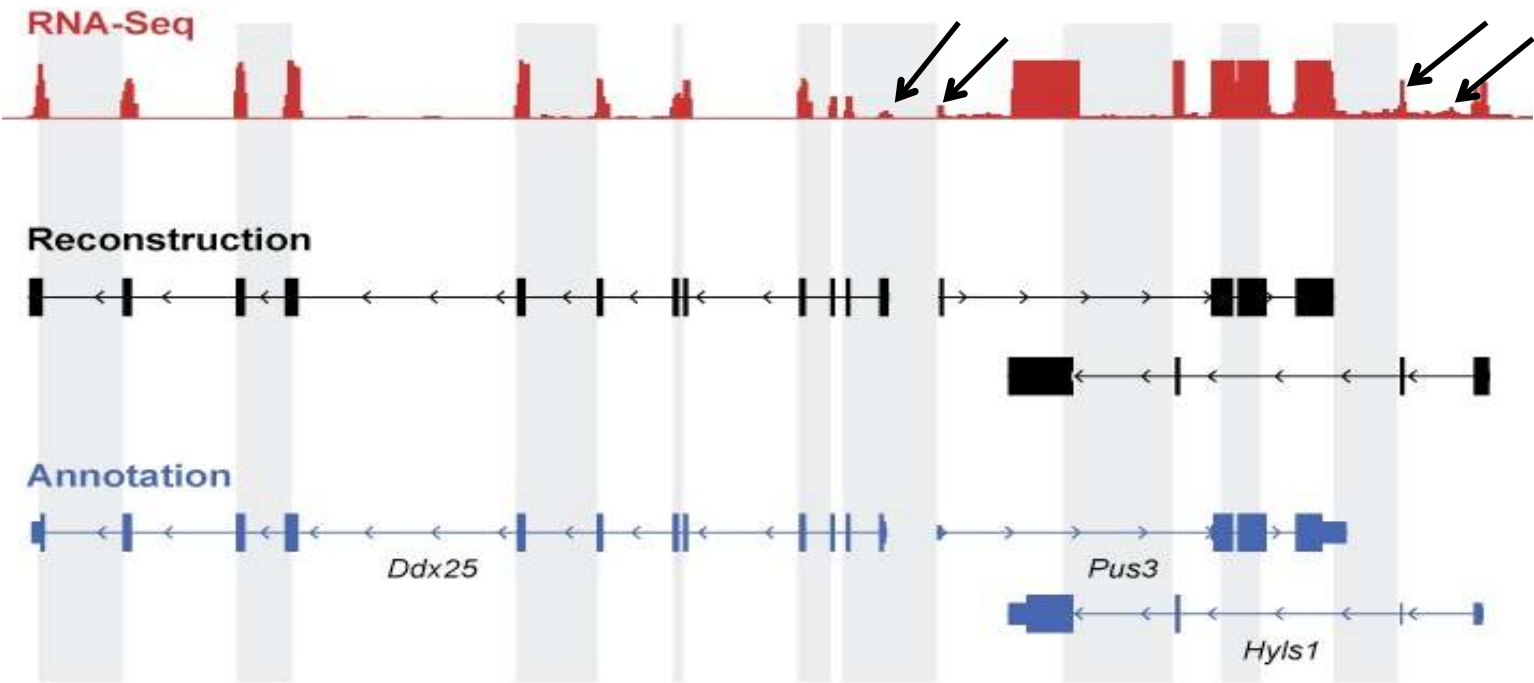
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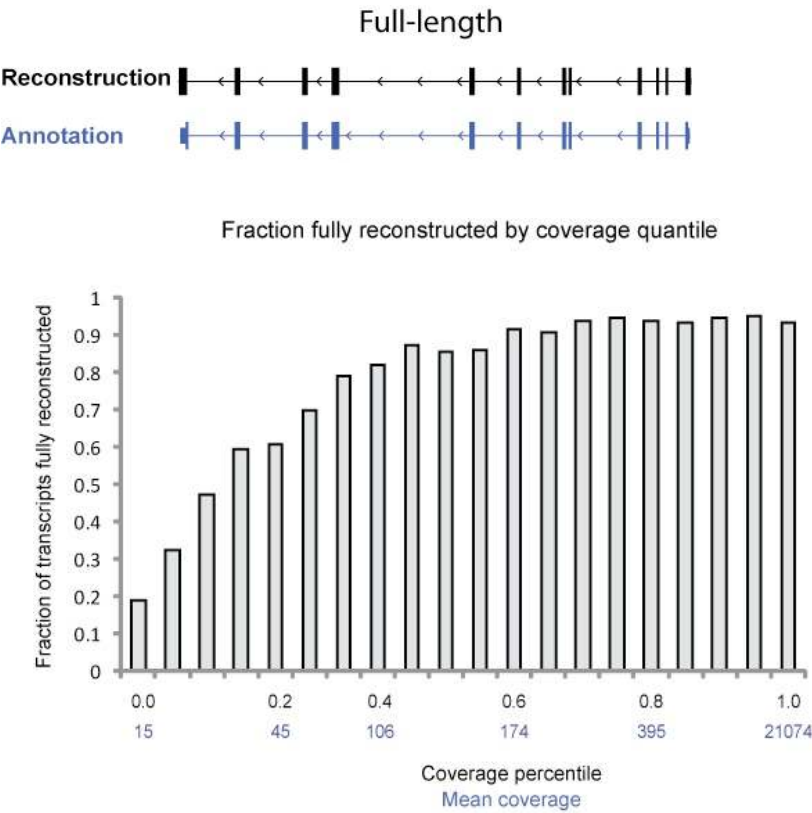
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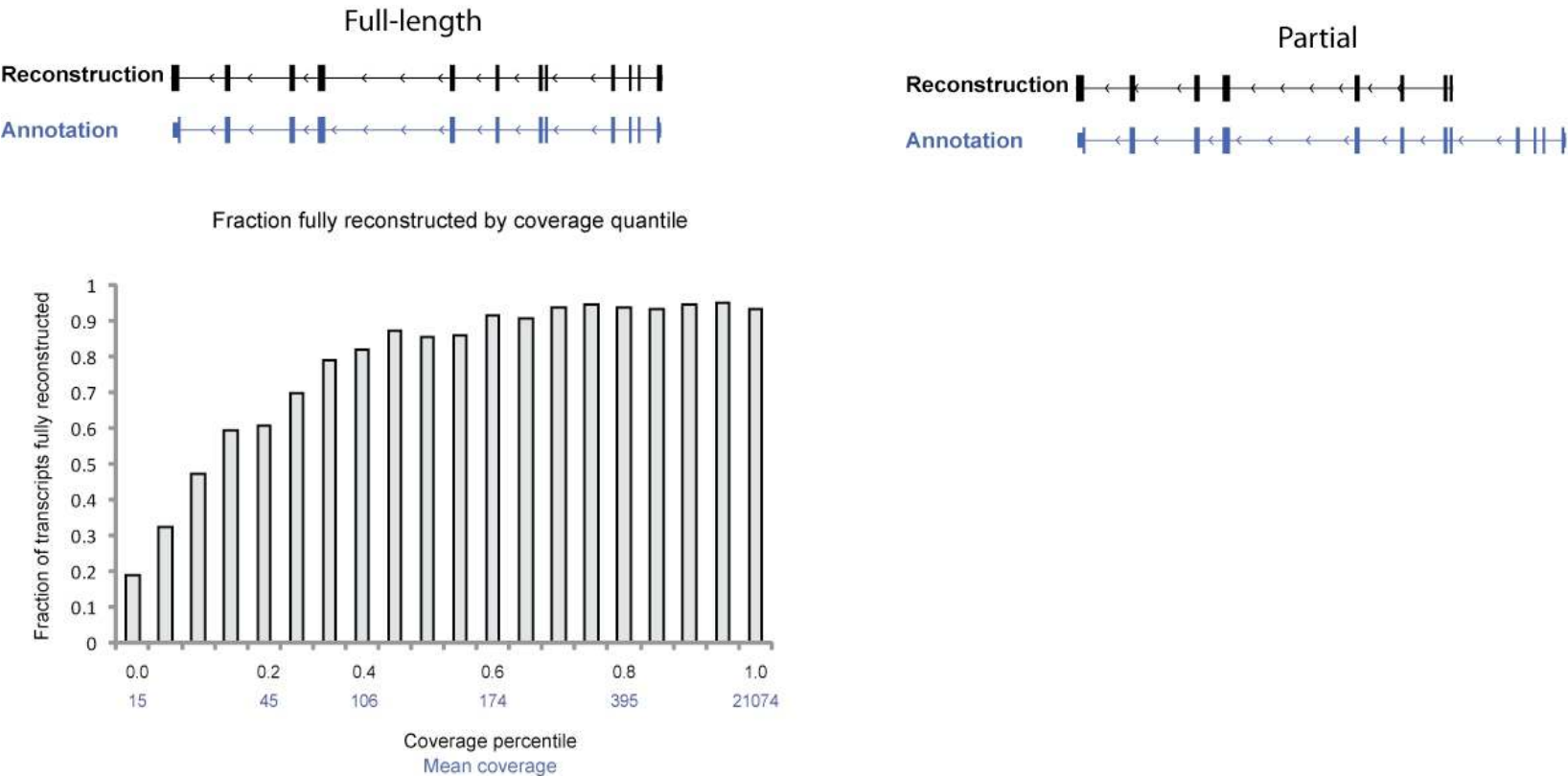
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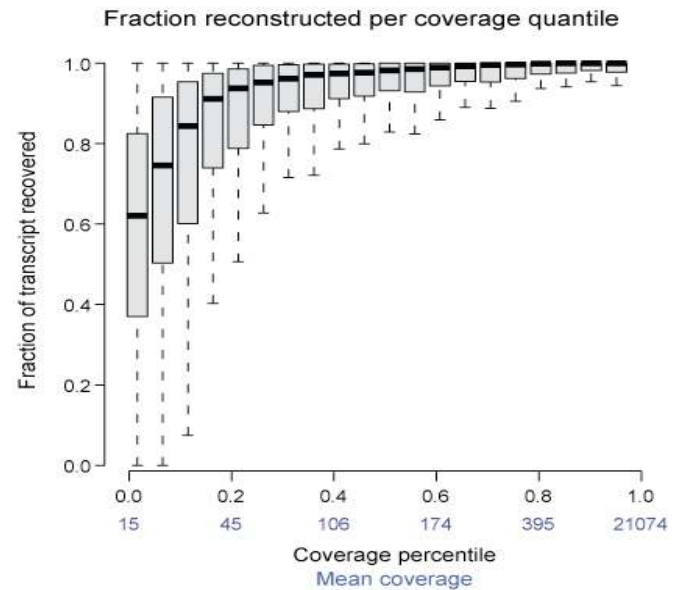
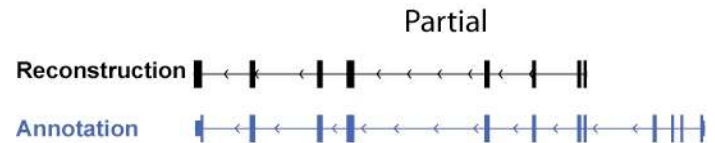


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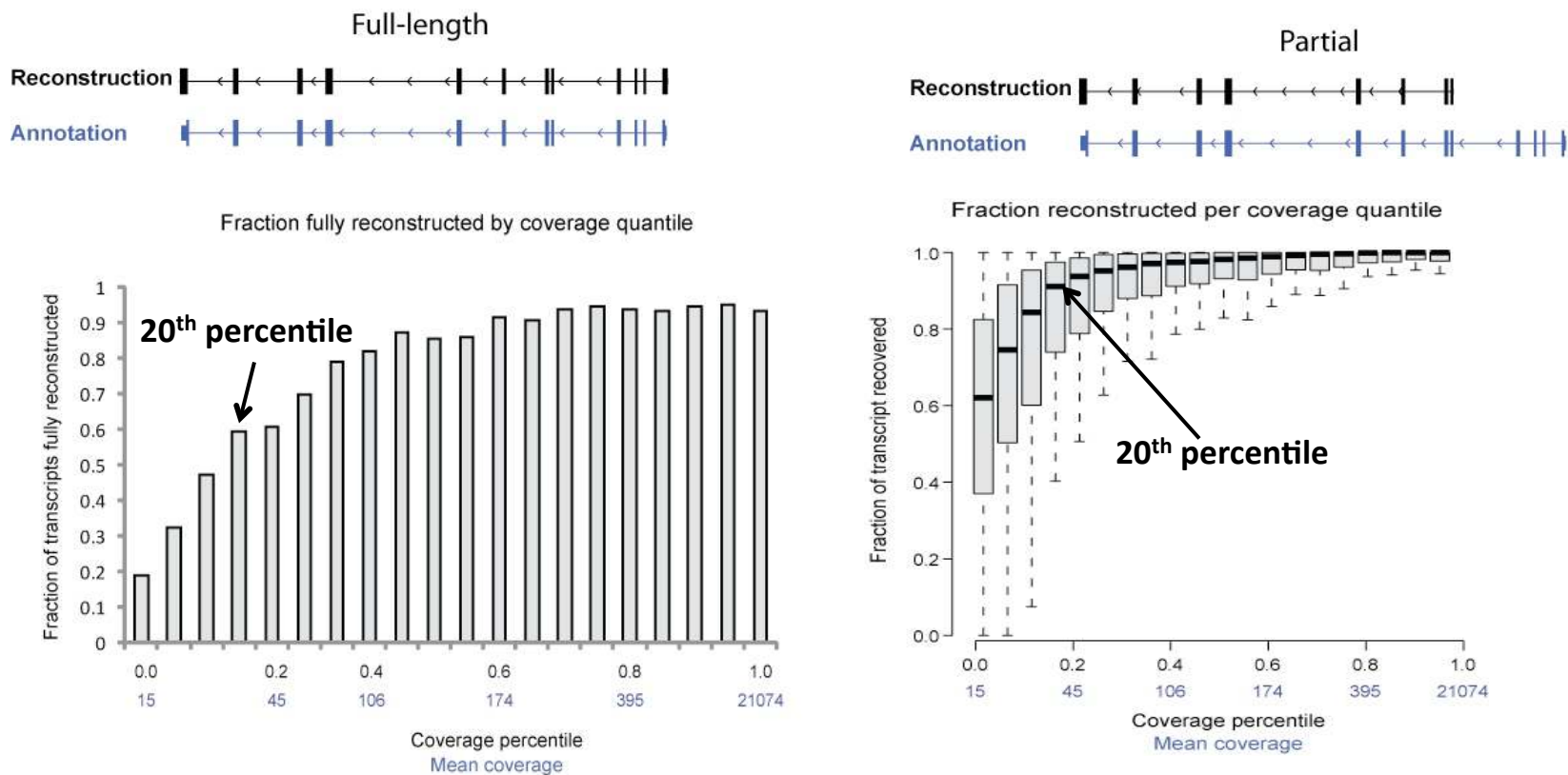


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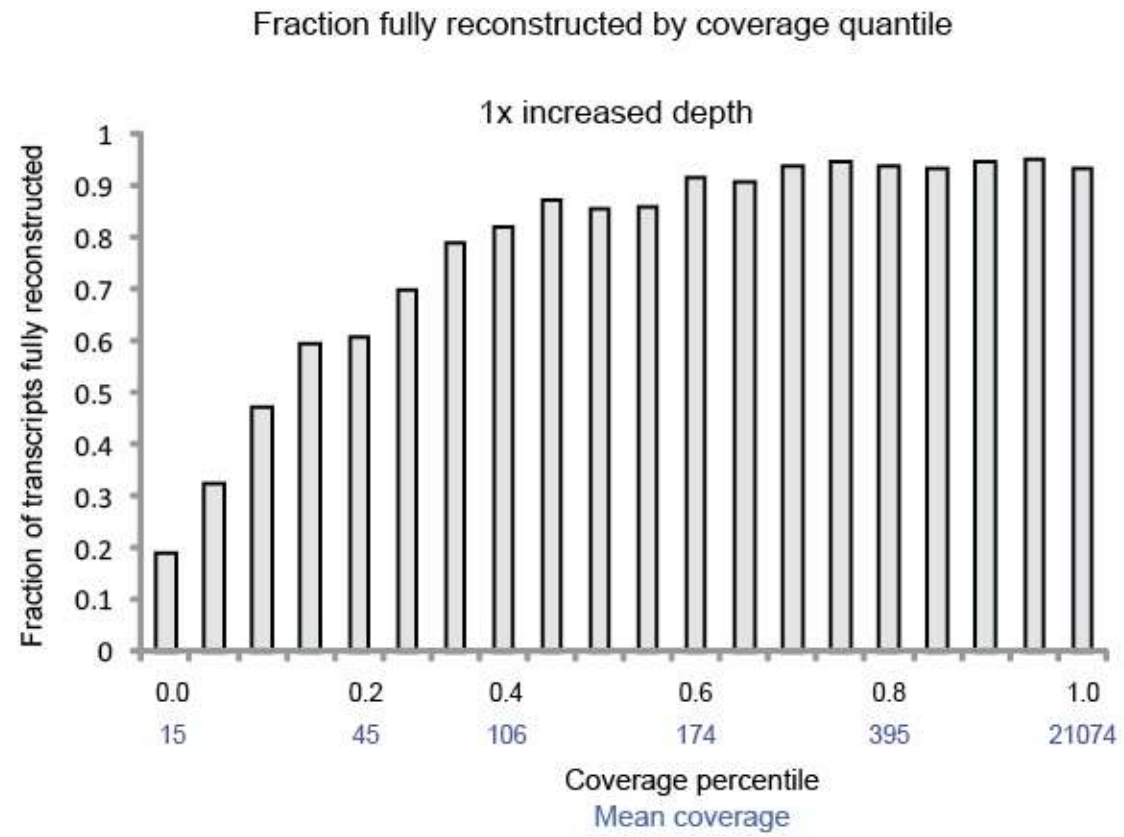


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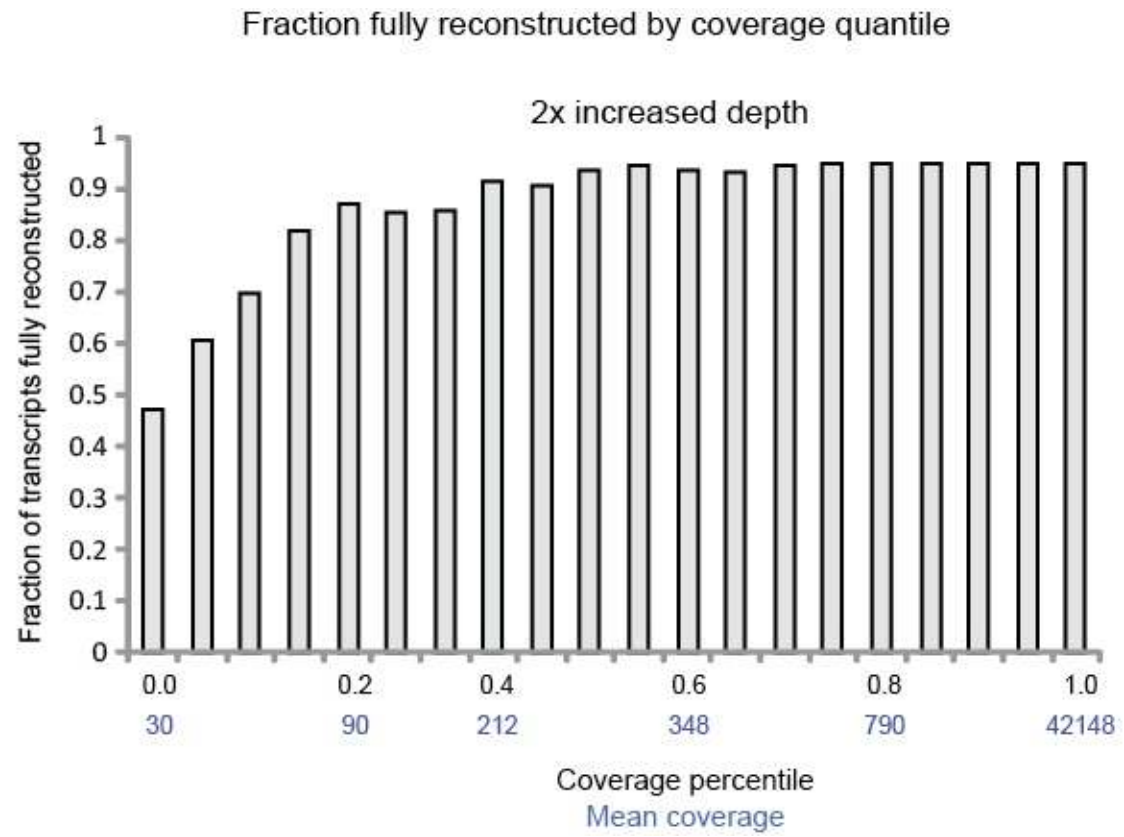


**Even at low expression (20th percentile), we have:
average coverage of transcript is ~95% and 60% have full coverage**

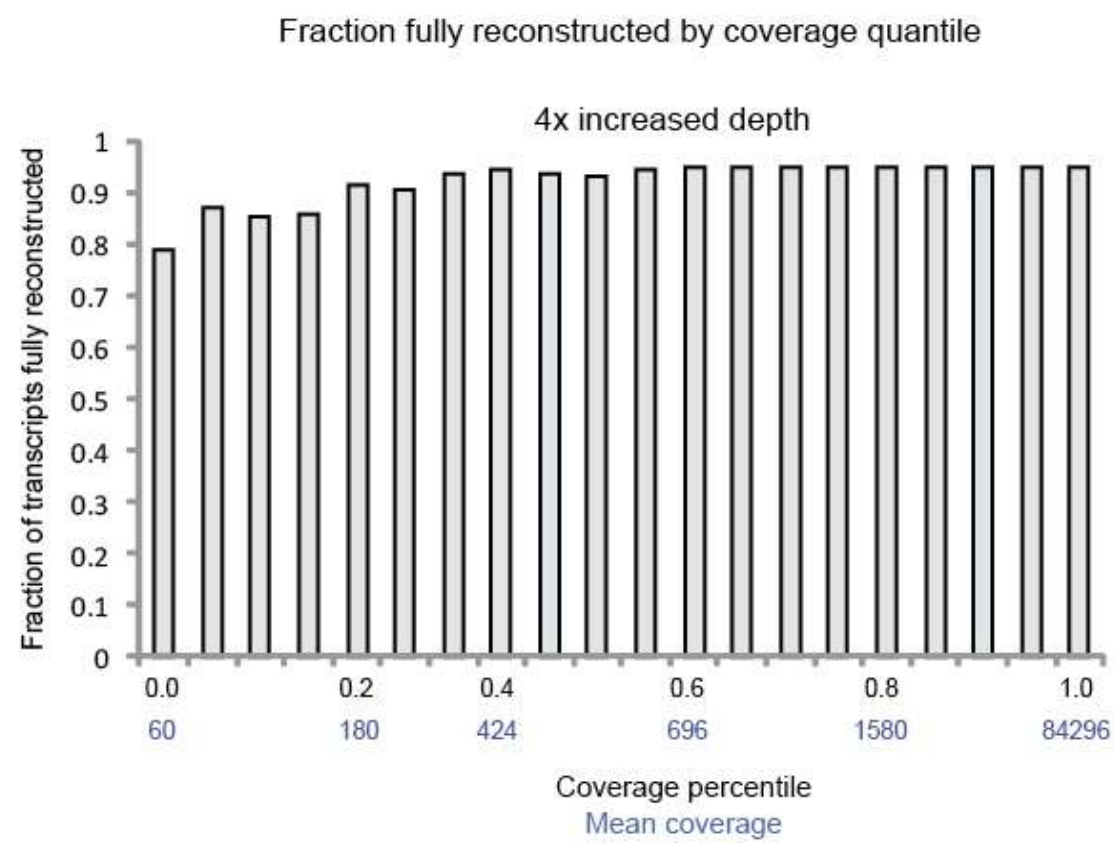
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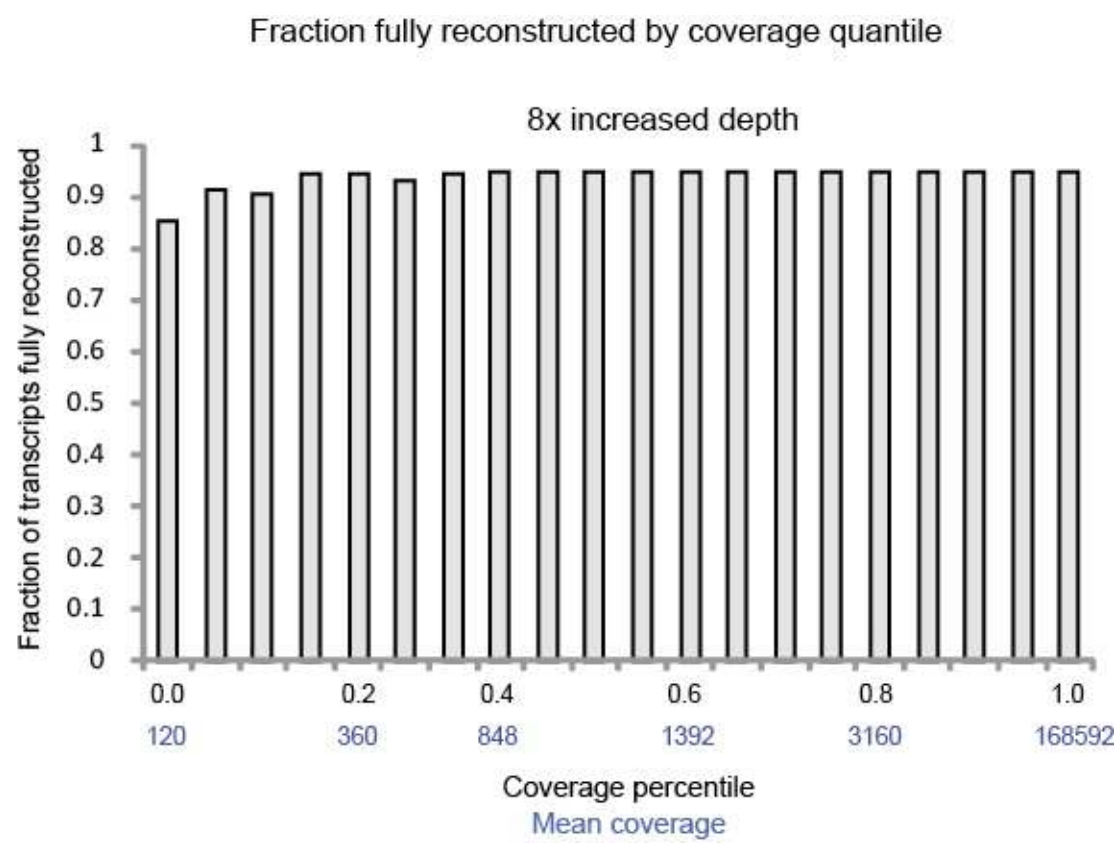
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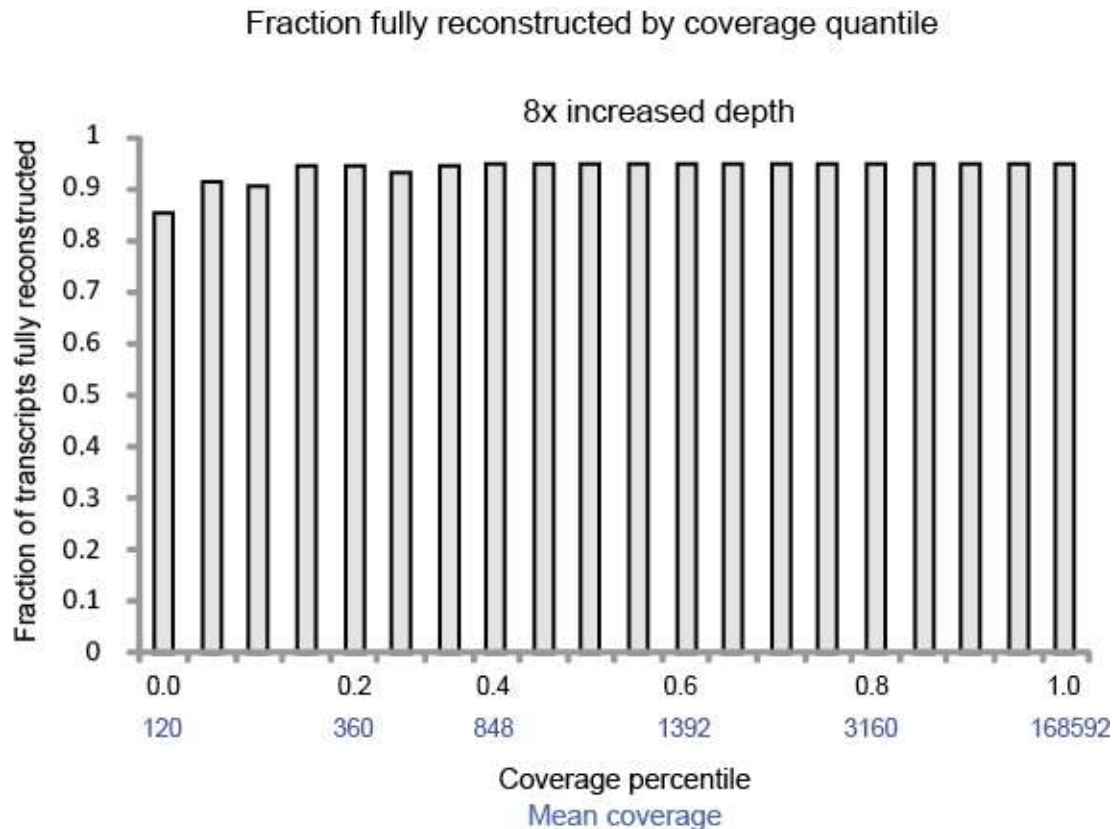
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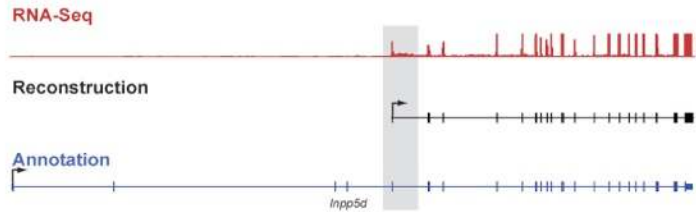


As coverage increases we are able to fully reconstruct a larger percentage of known protein-coding genes

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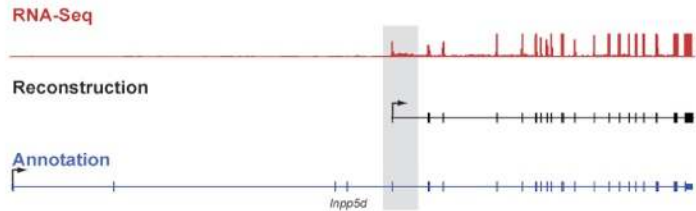
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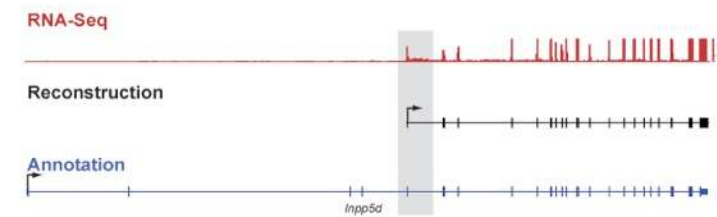
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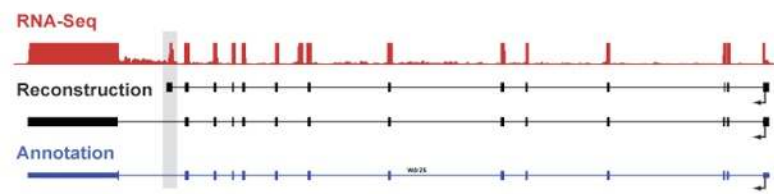
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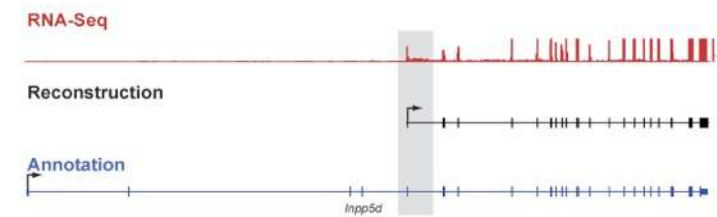
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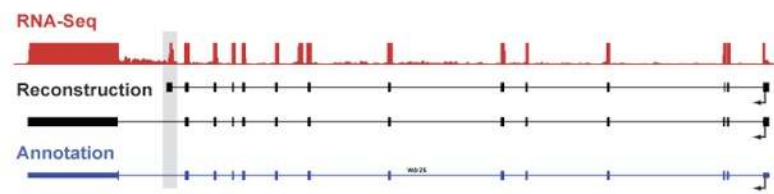
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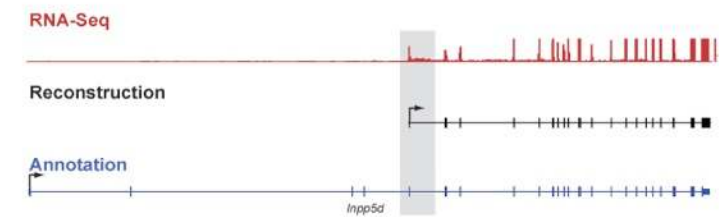


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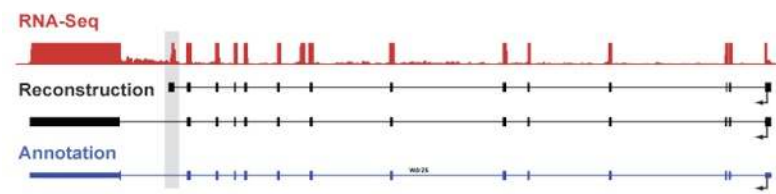
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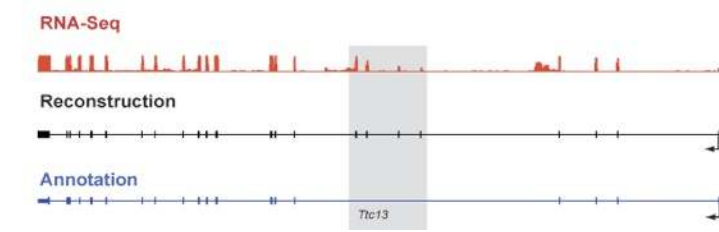
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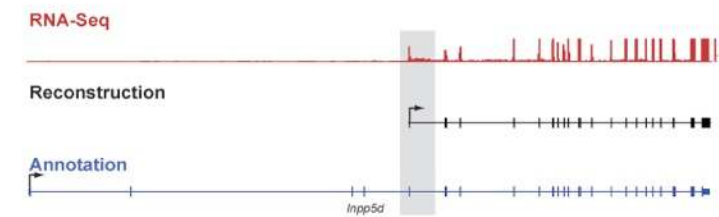
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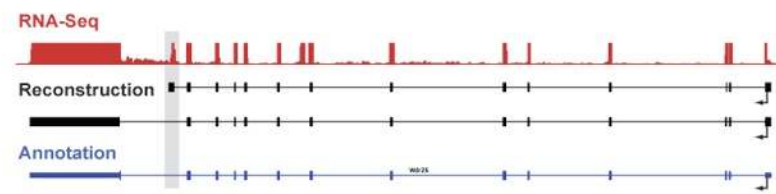
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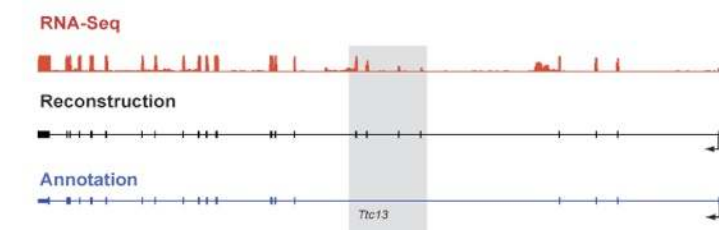
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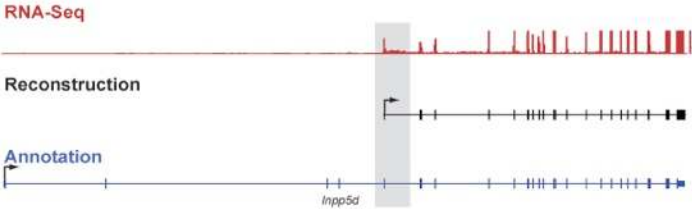
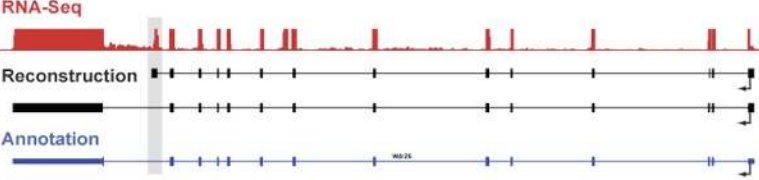
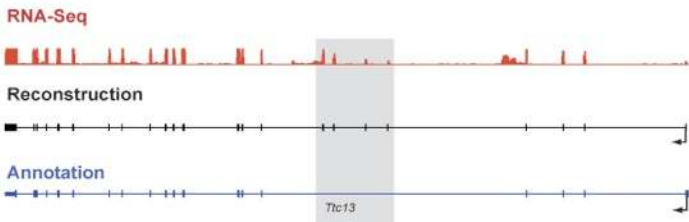
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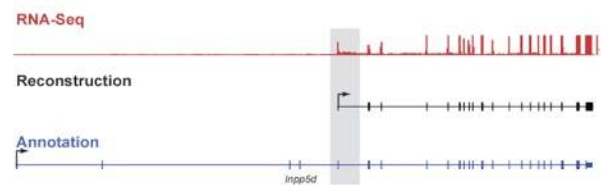
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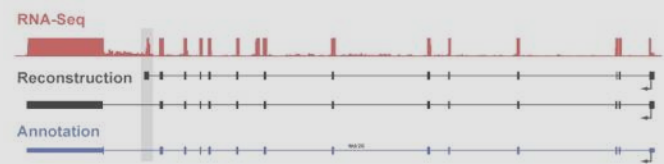
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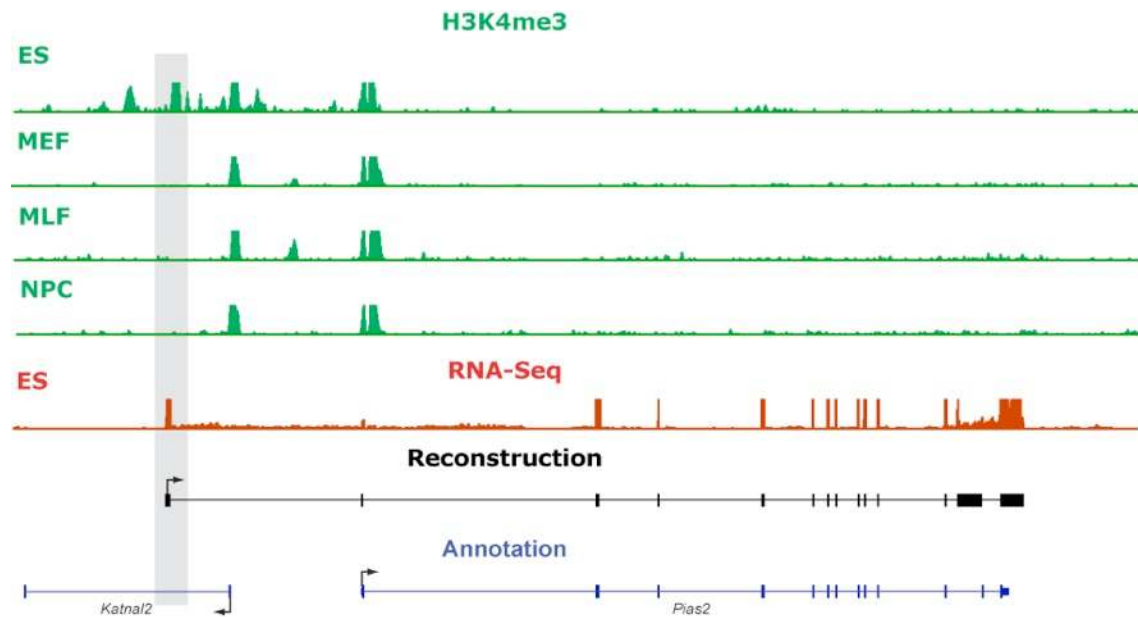
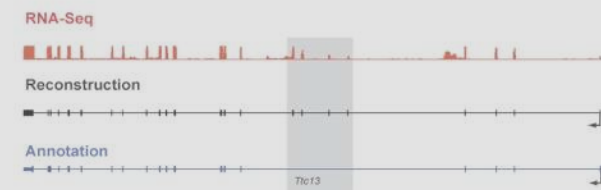
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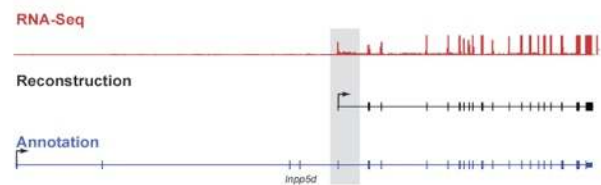


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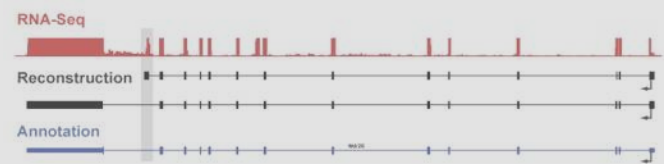


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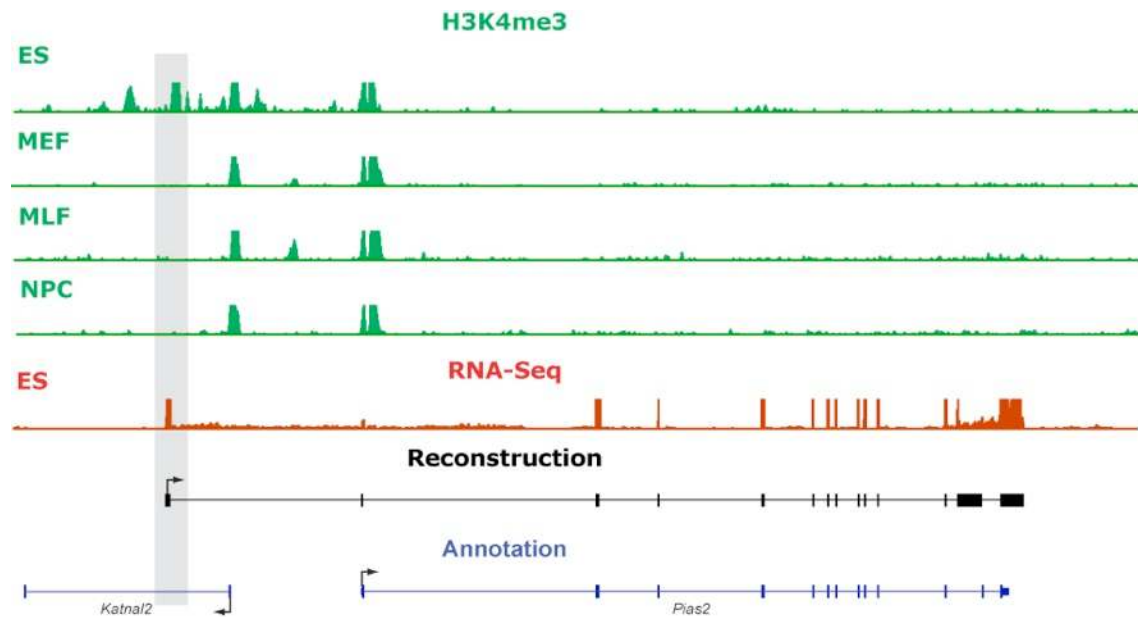
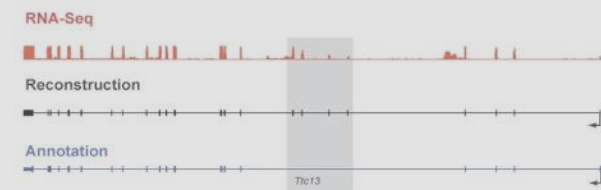
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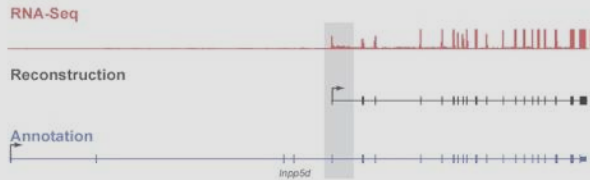
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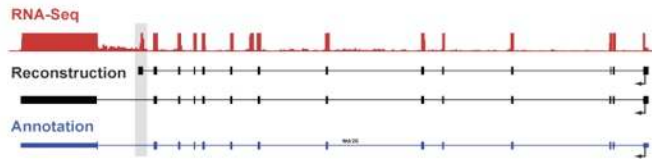
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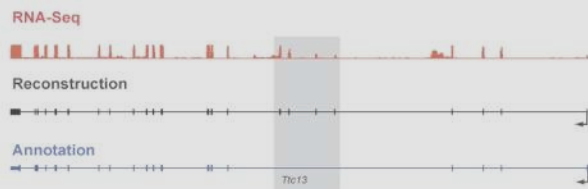


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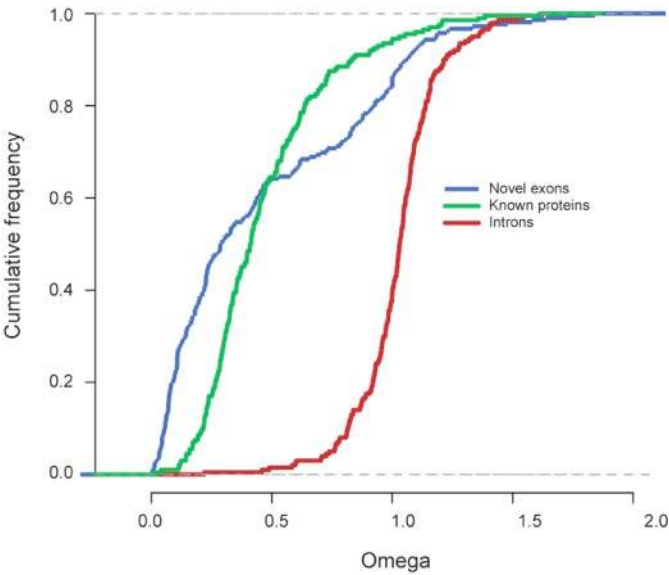


~50% contain polyA motif
Compared to ~6% for
random

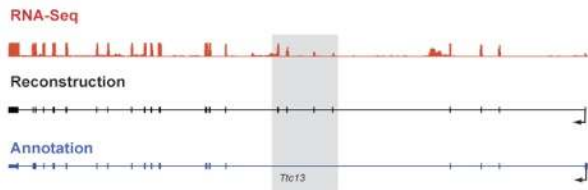
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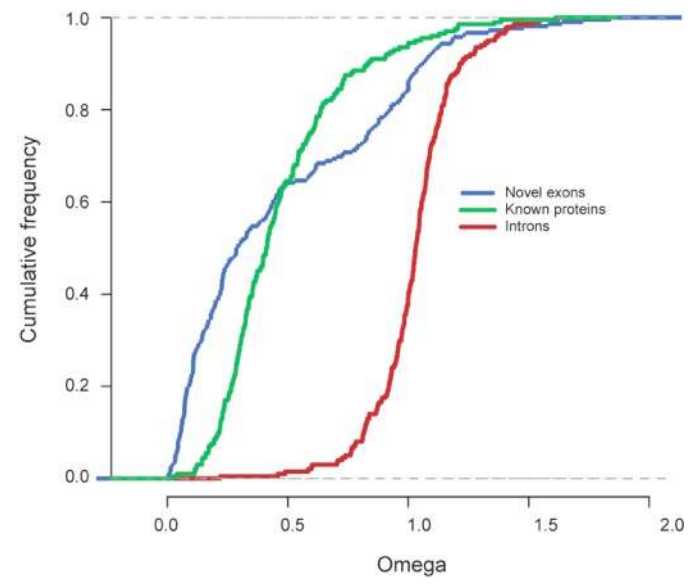
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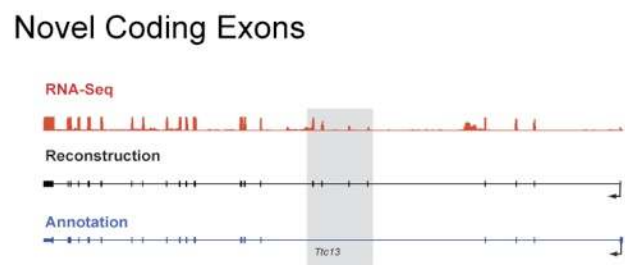
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~80% retain ORF



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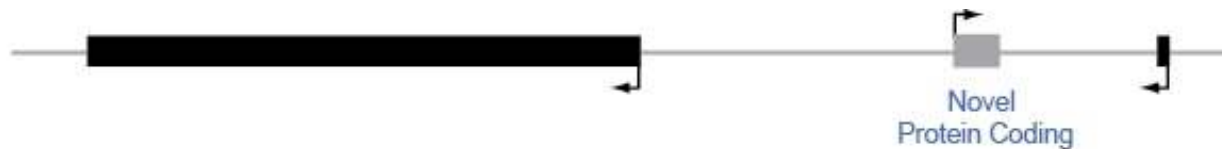
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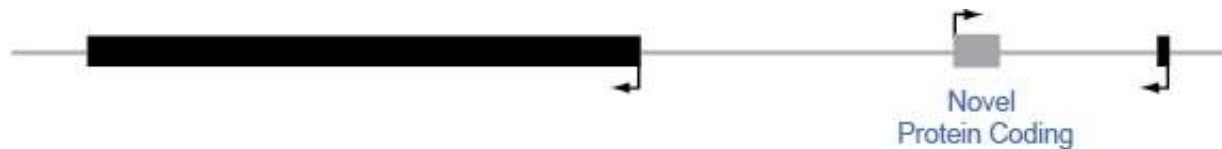
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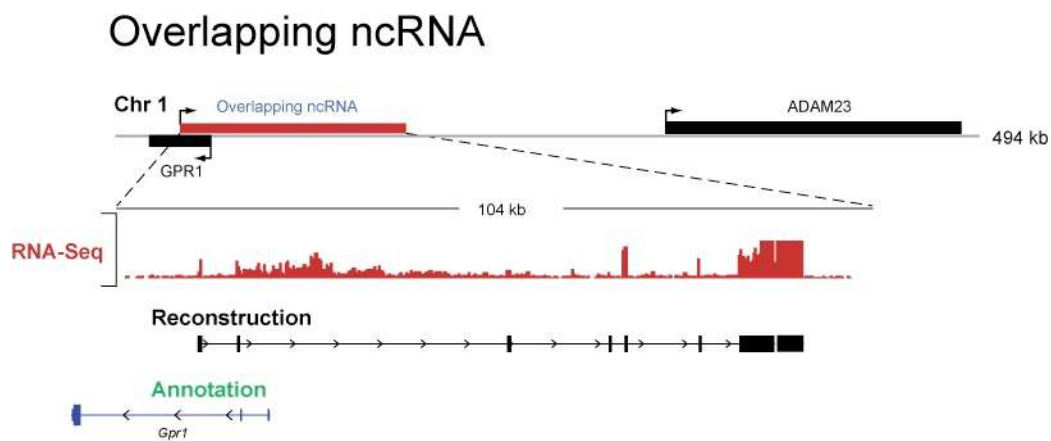
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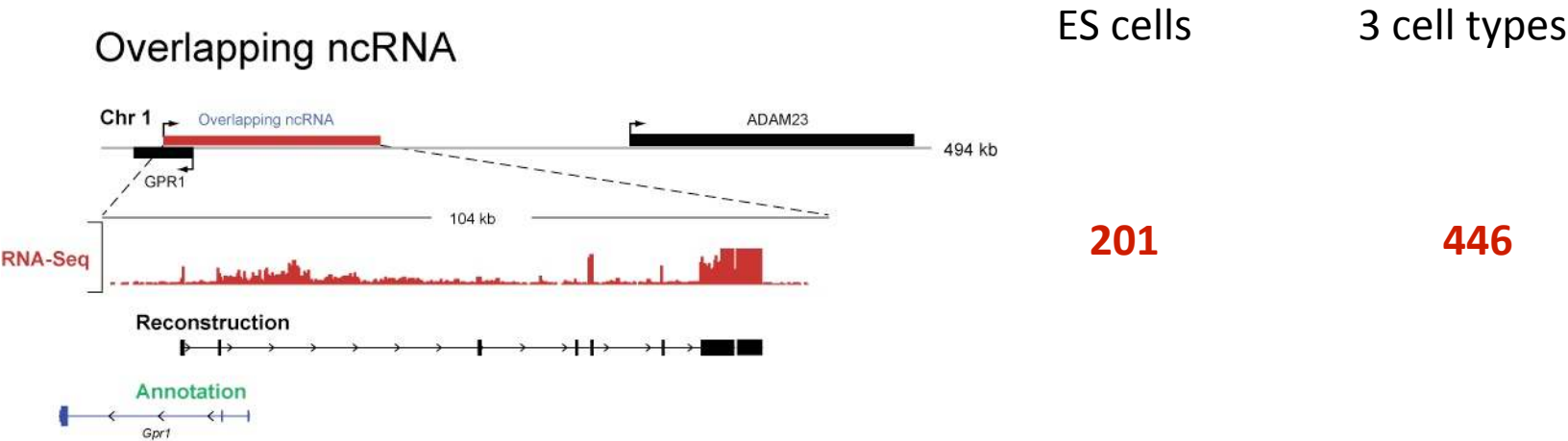


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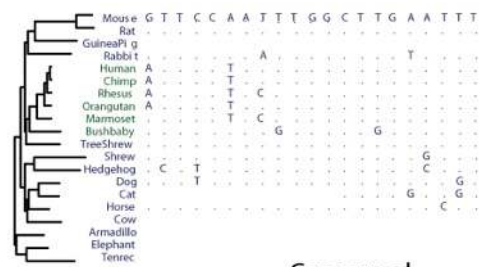
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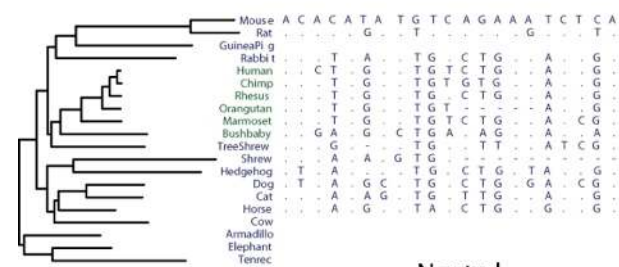
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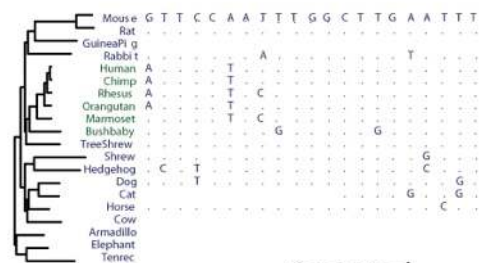
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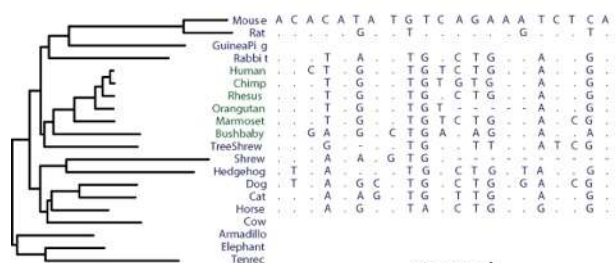
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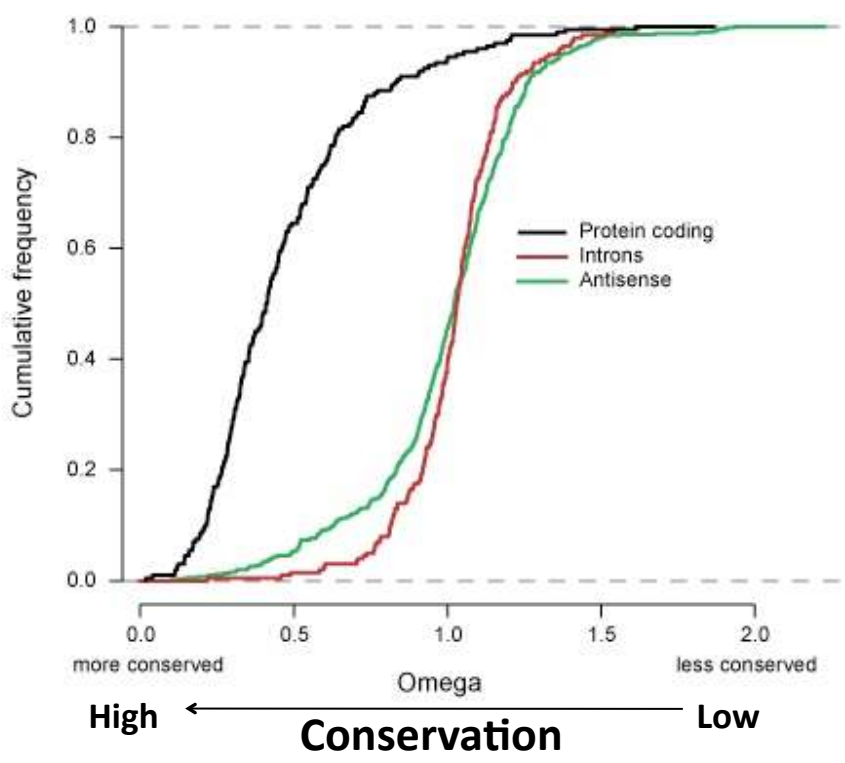


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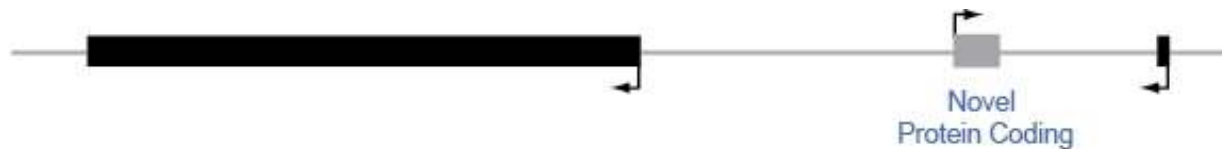
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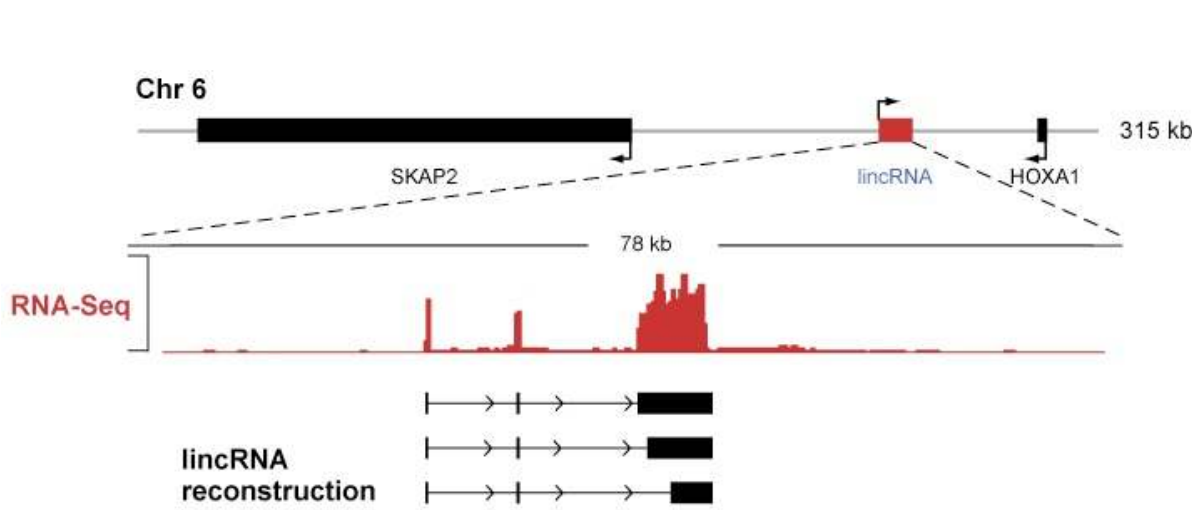
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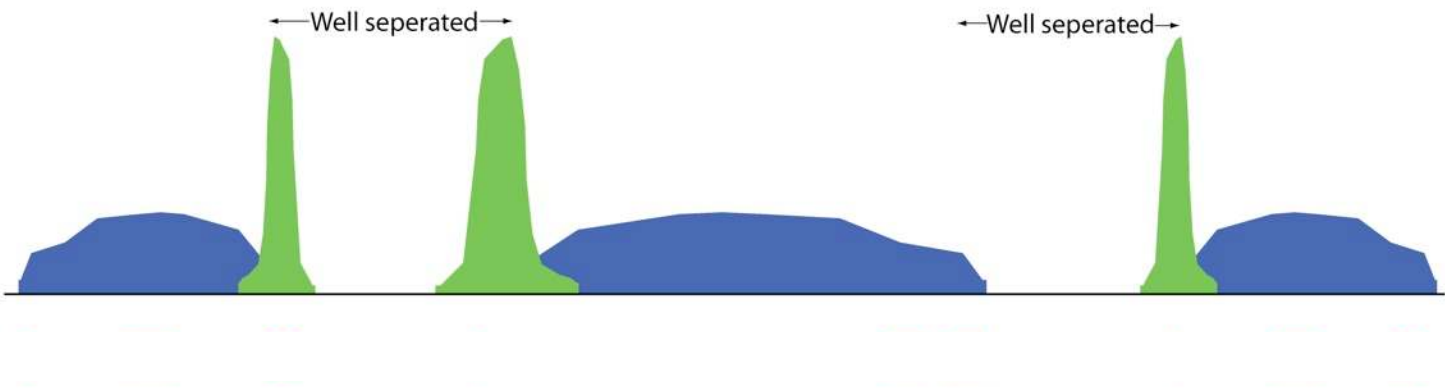
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~500

~1500

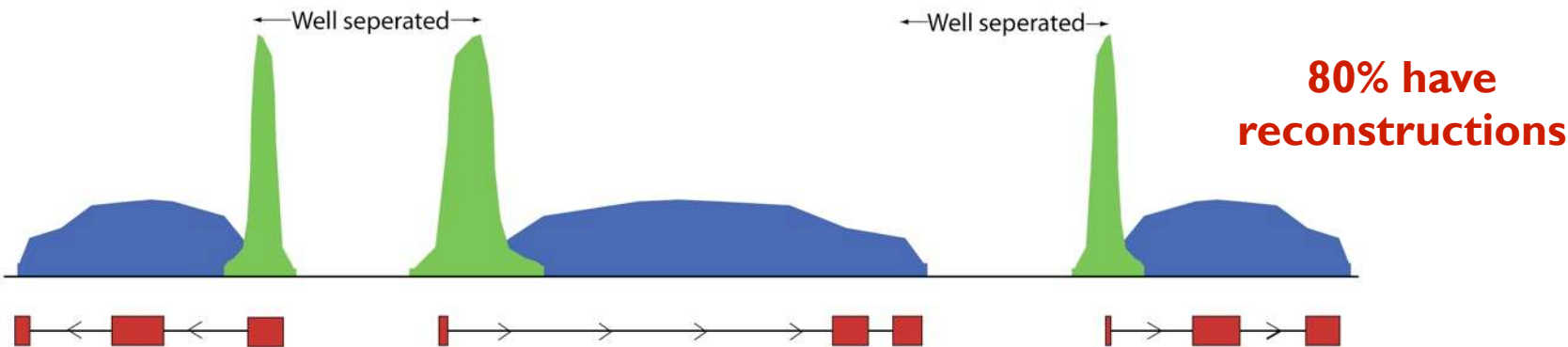
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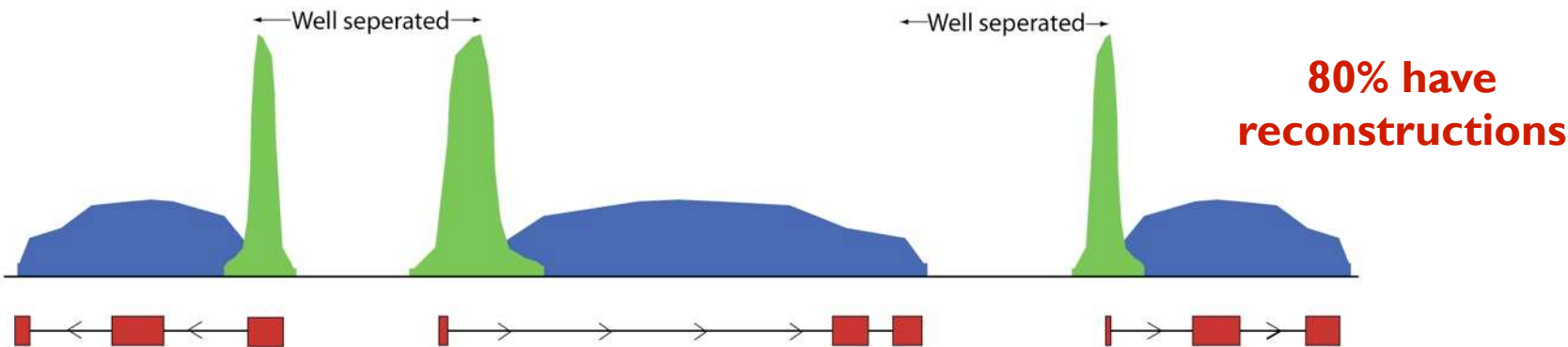
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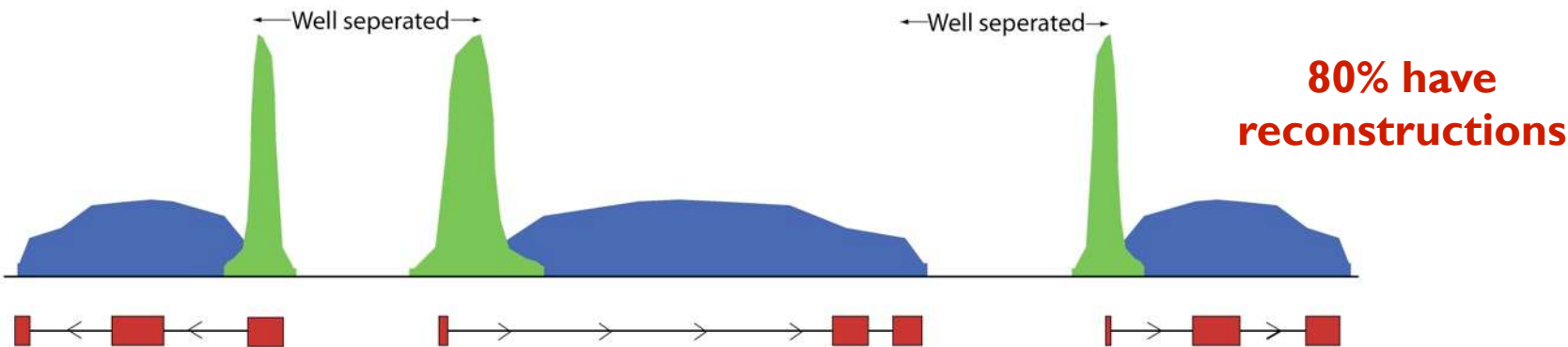
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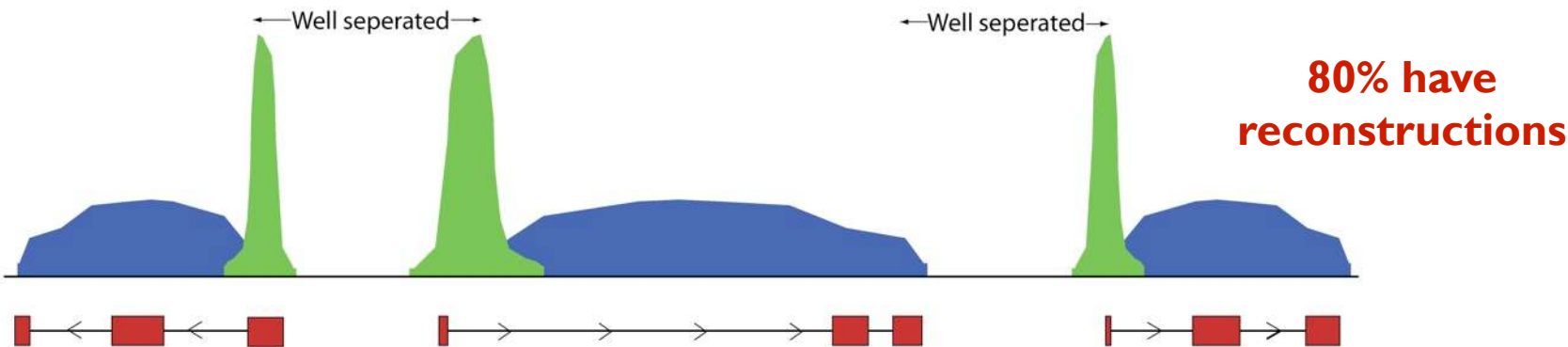


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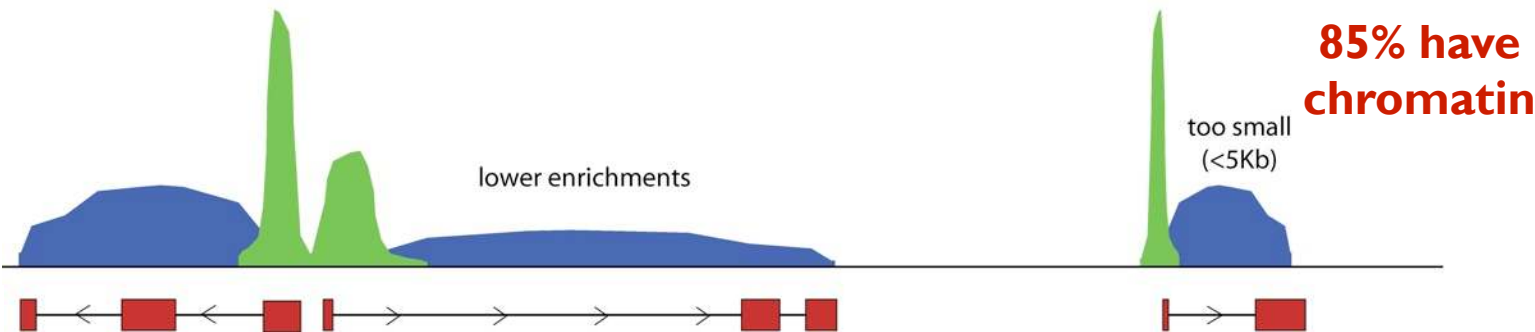


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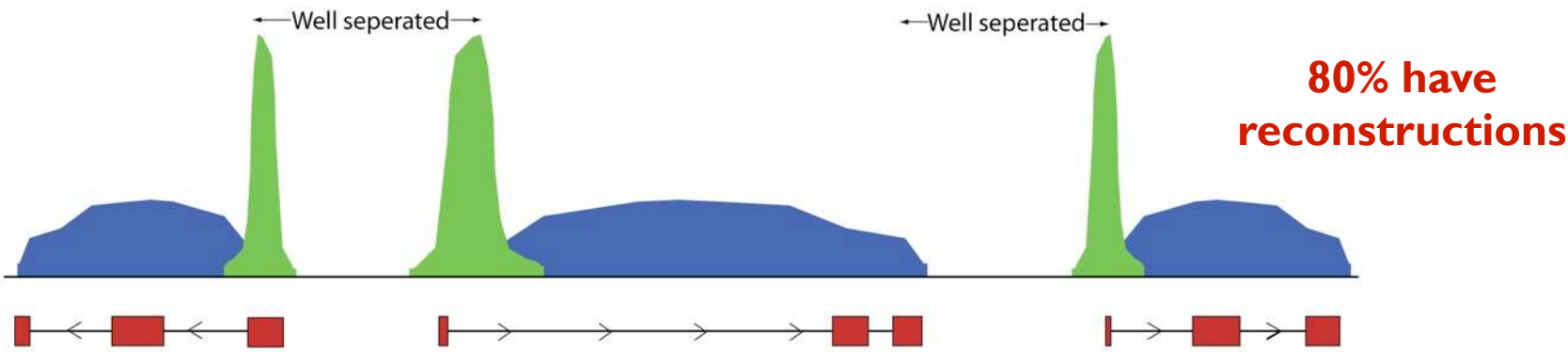


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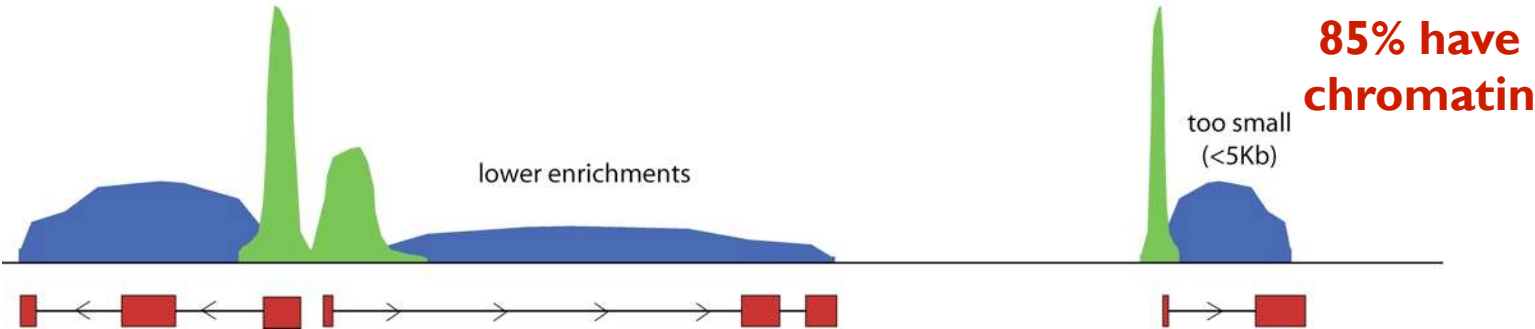


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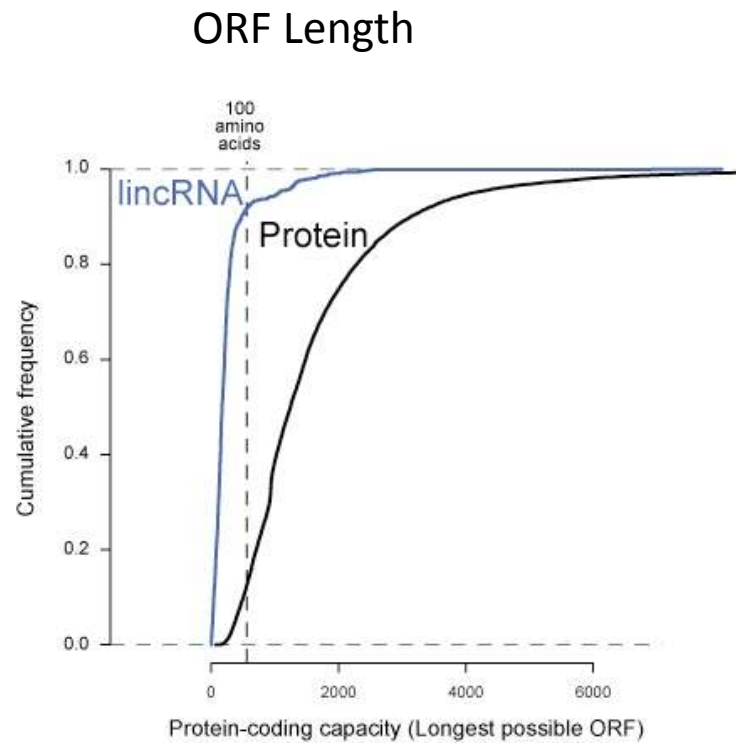


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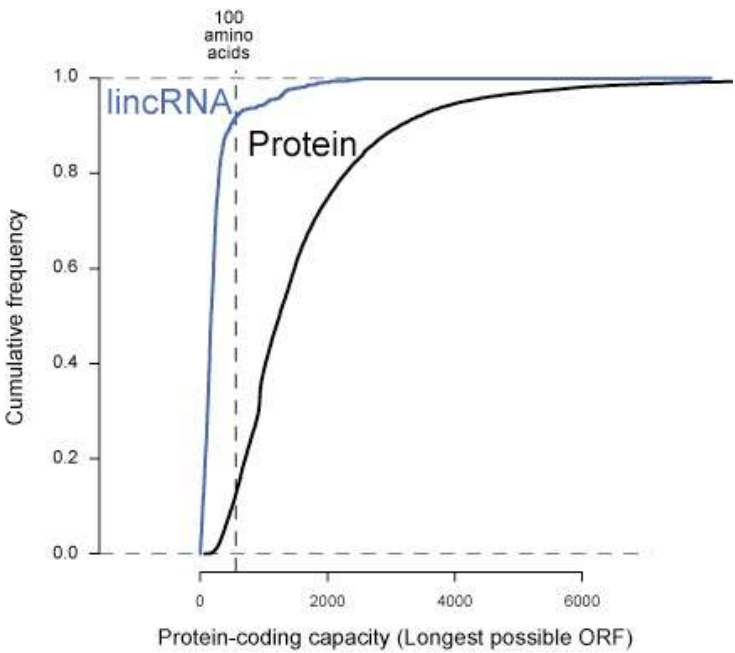
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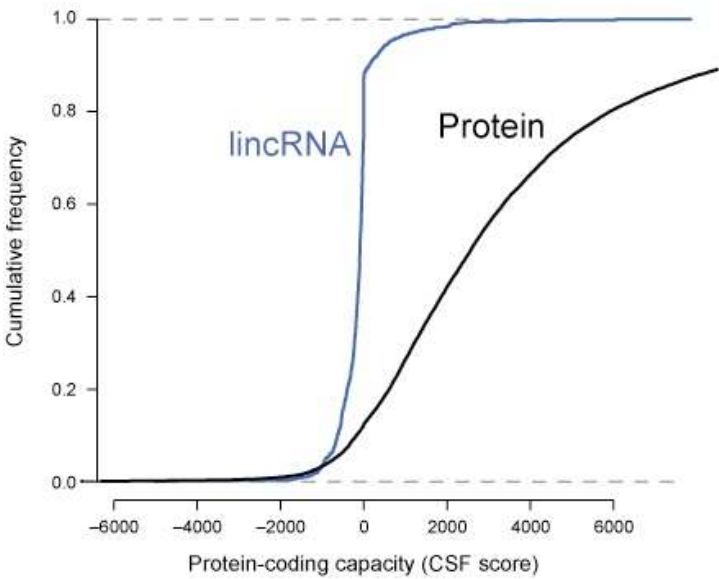


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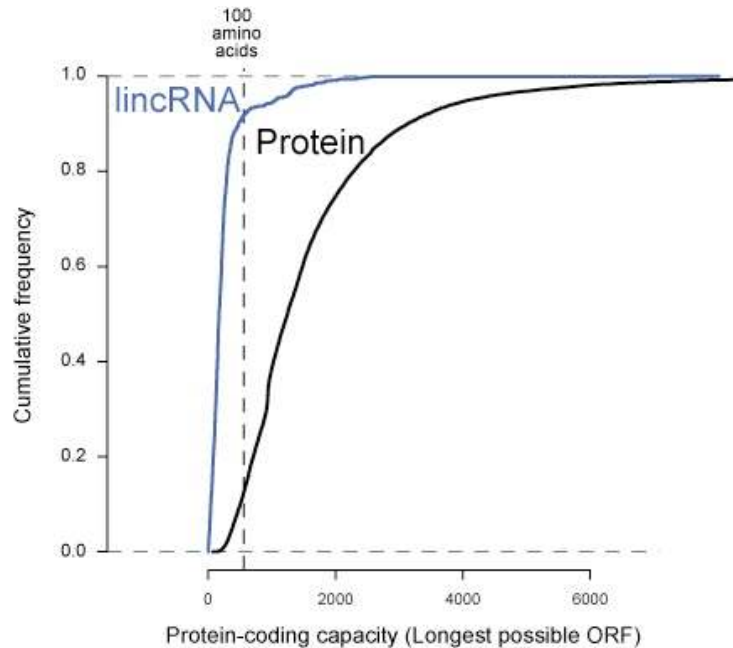


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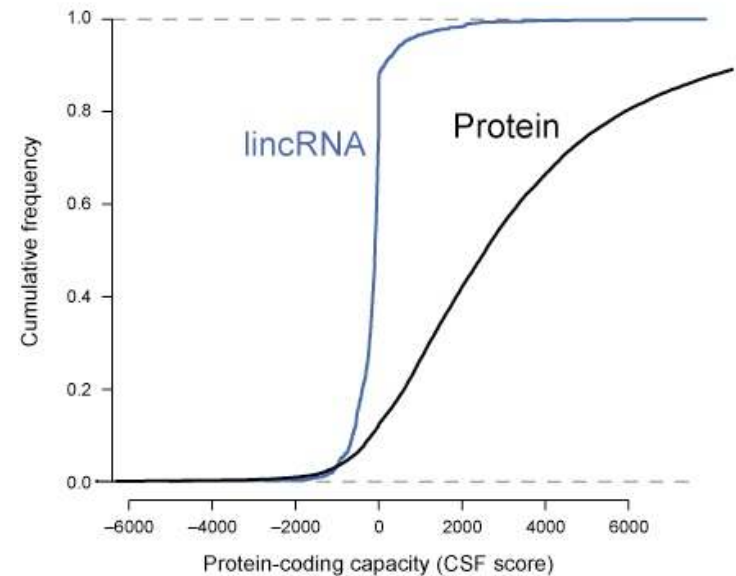


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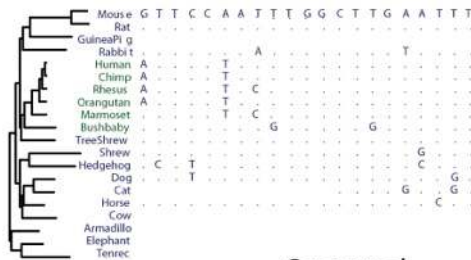


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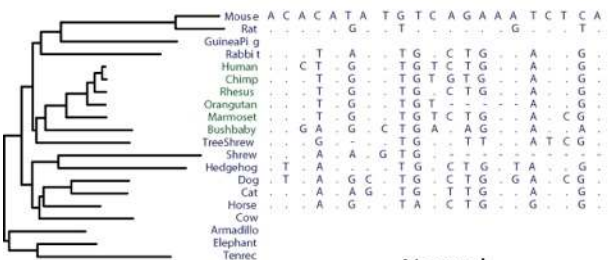


>95% do not encode proteins

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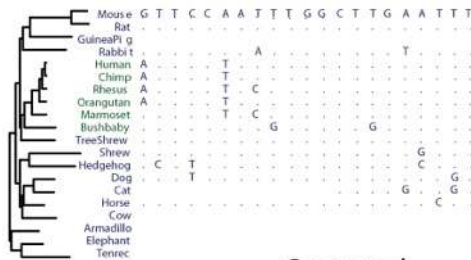


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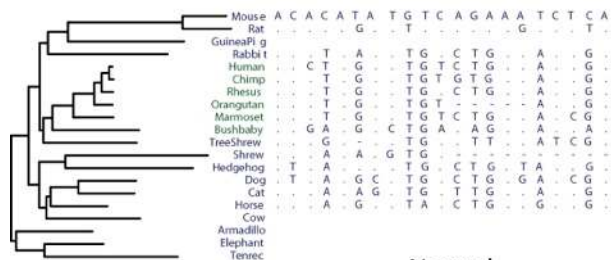


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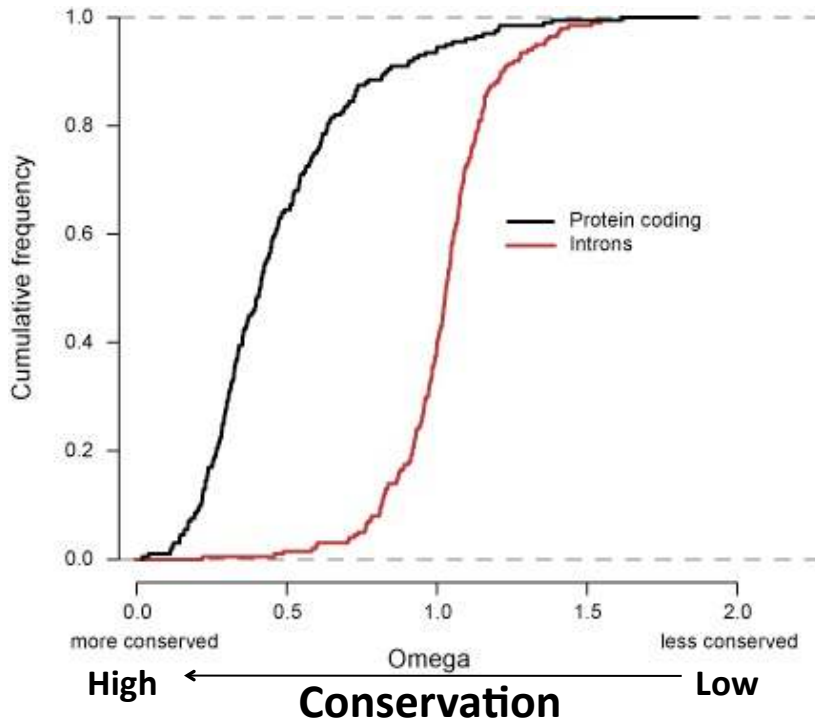
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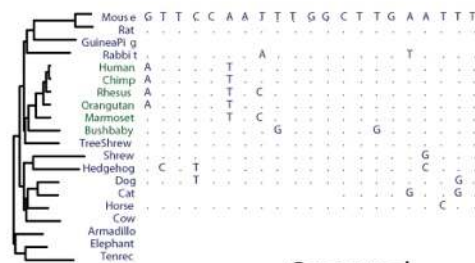
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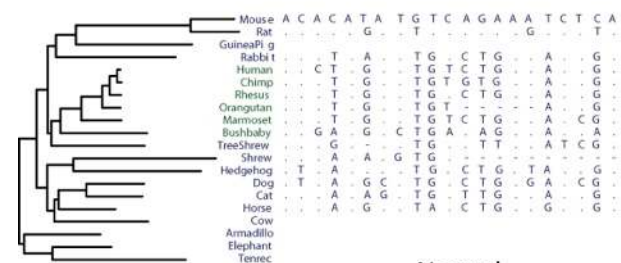
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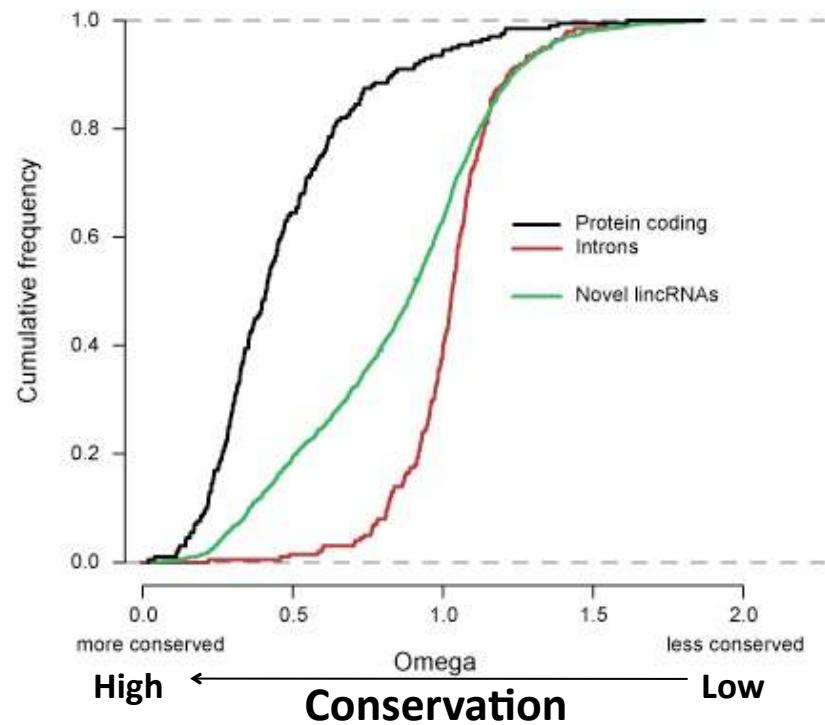
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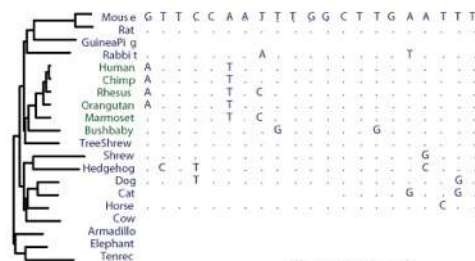
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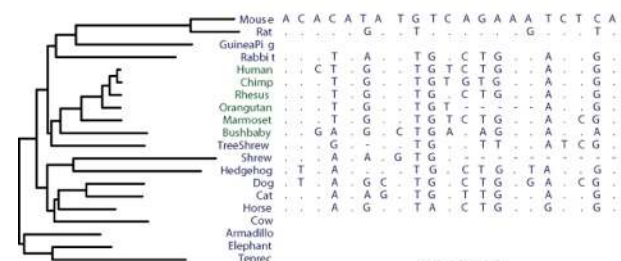
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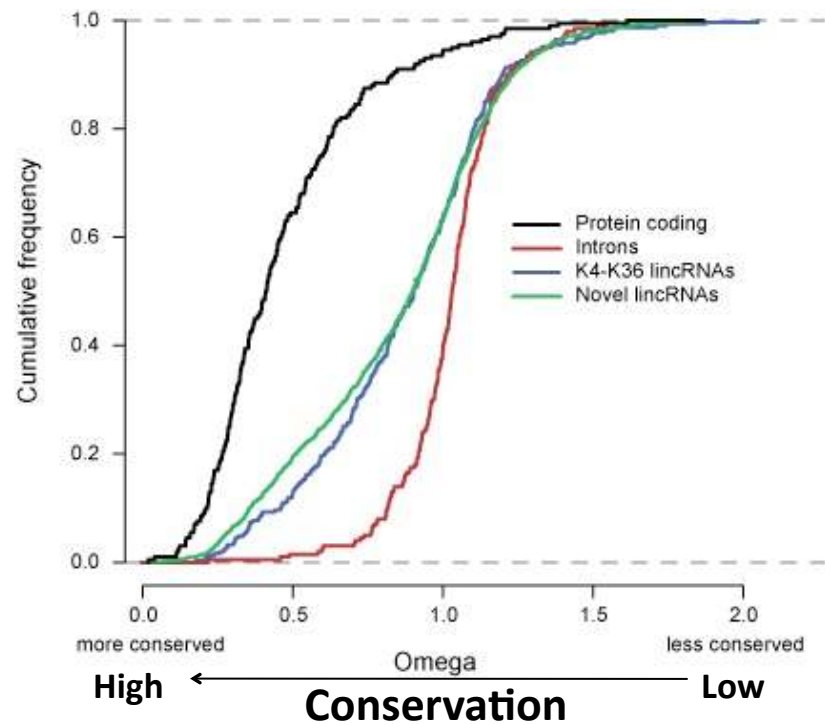
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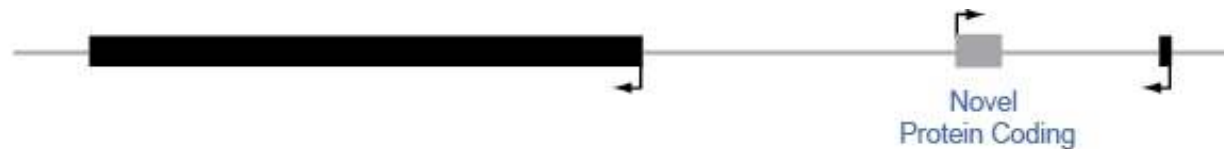
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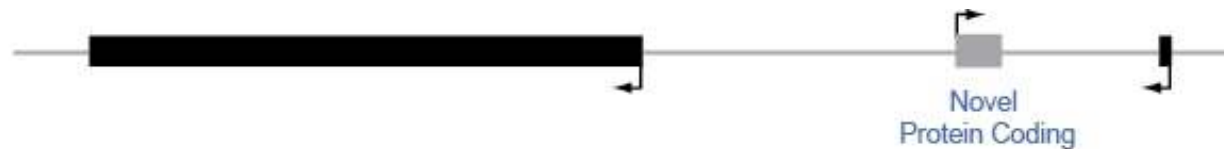
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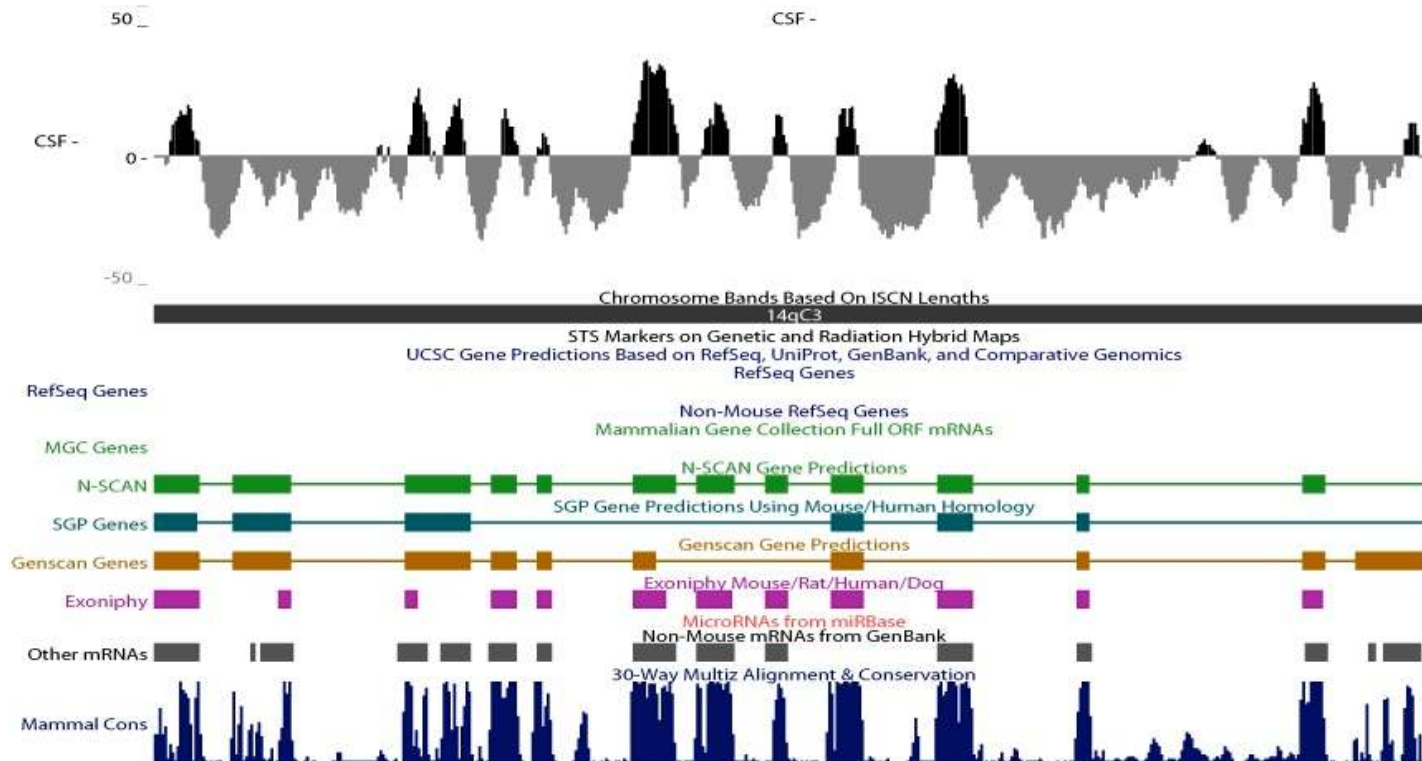


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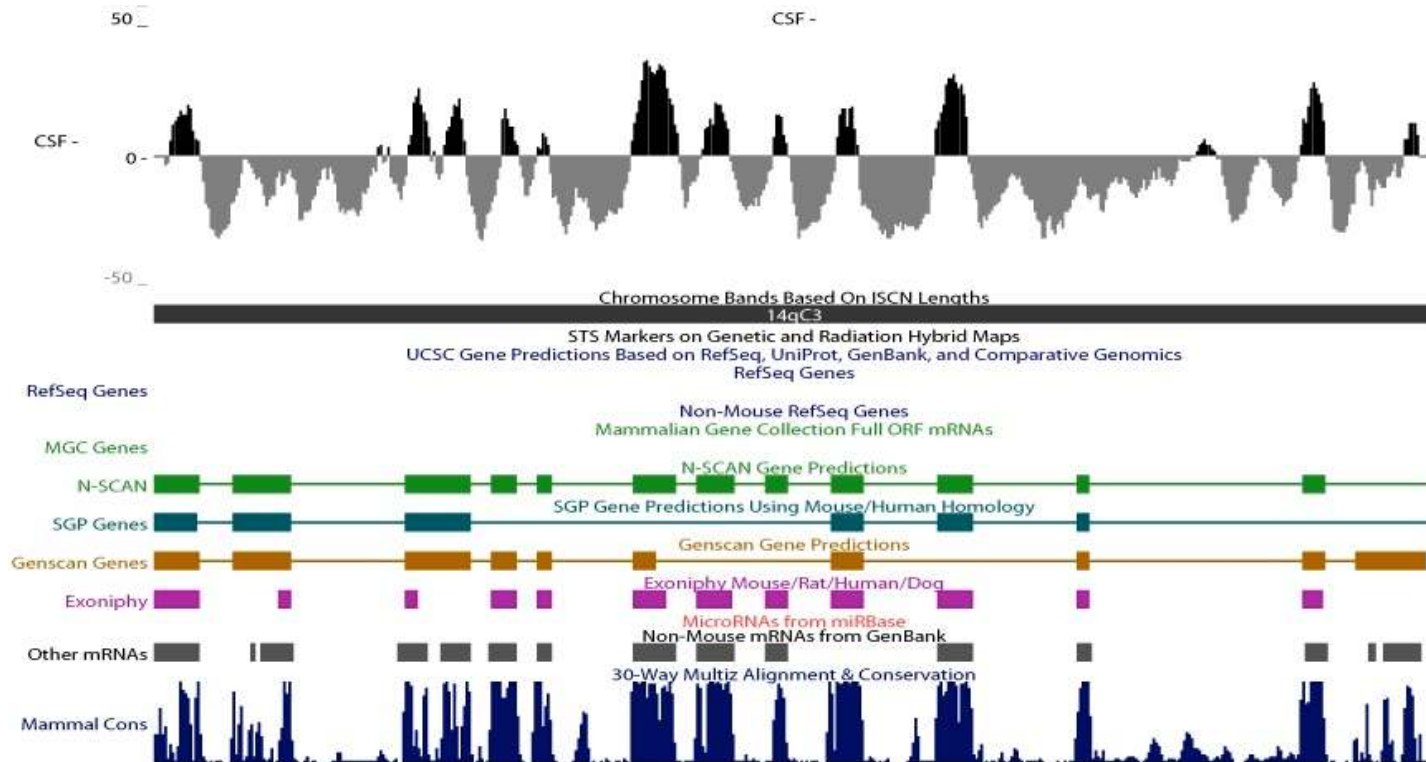


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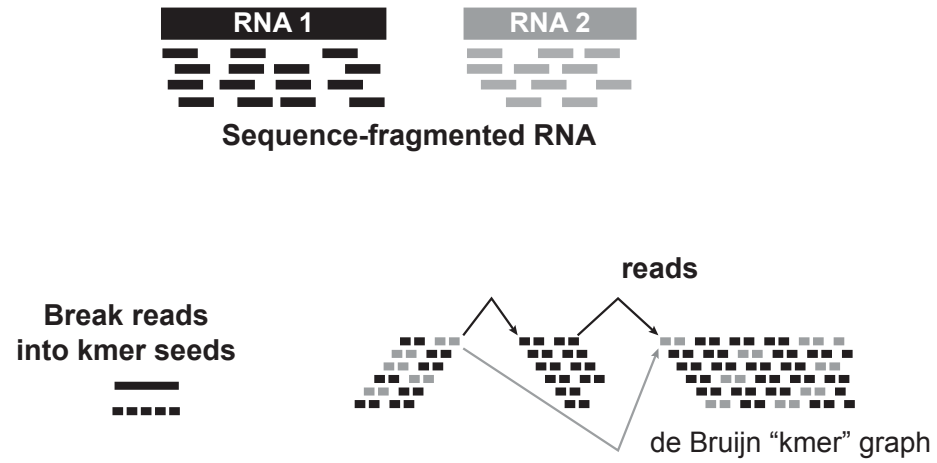
~40 novel protein-coding genes

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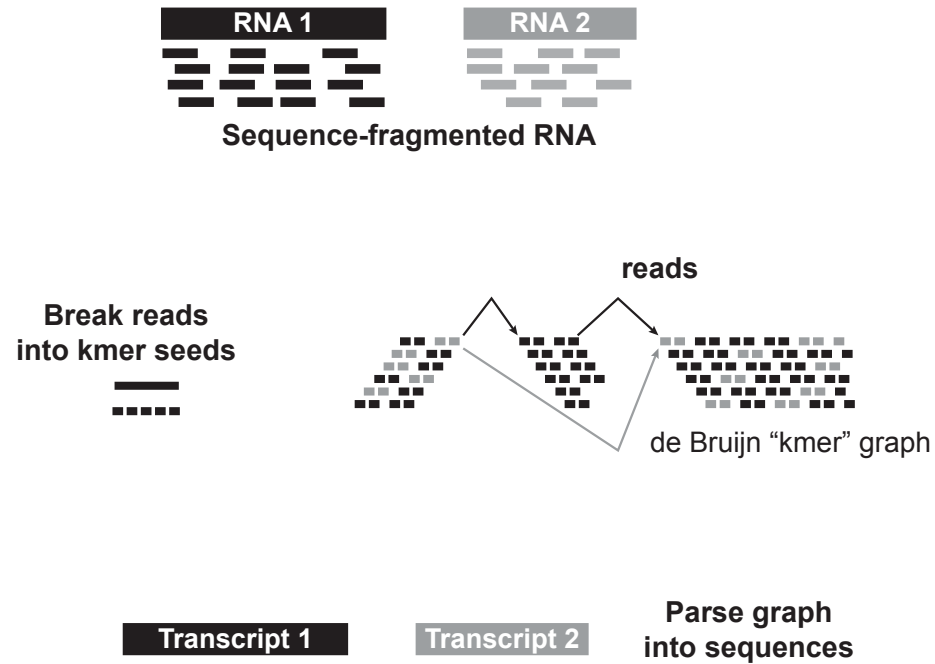
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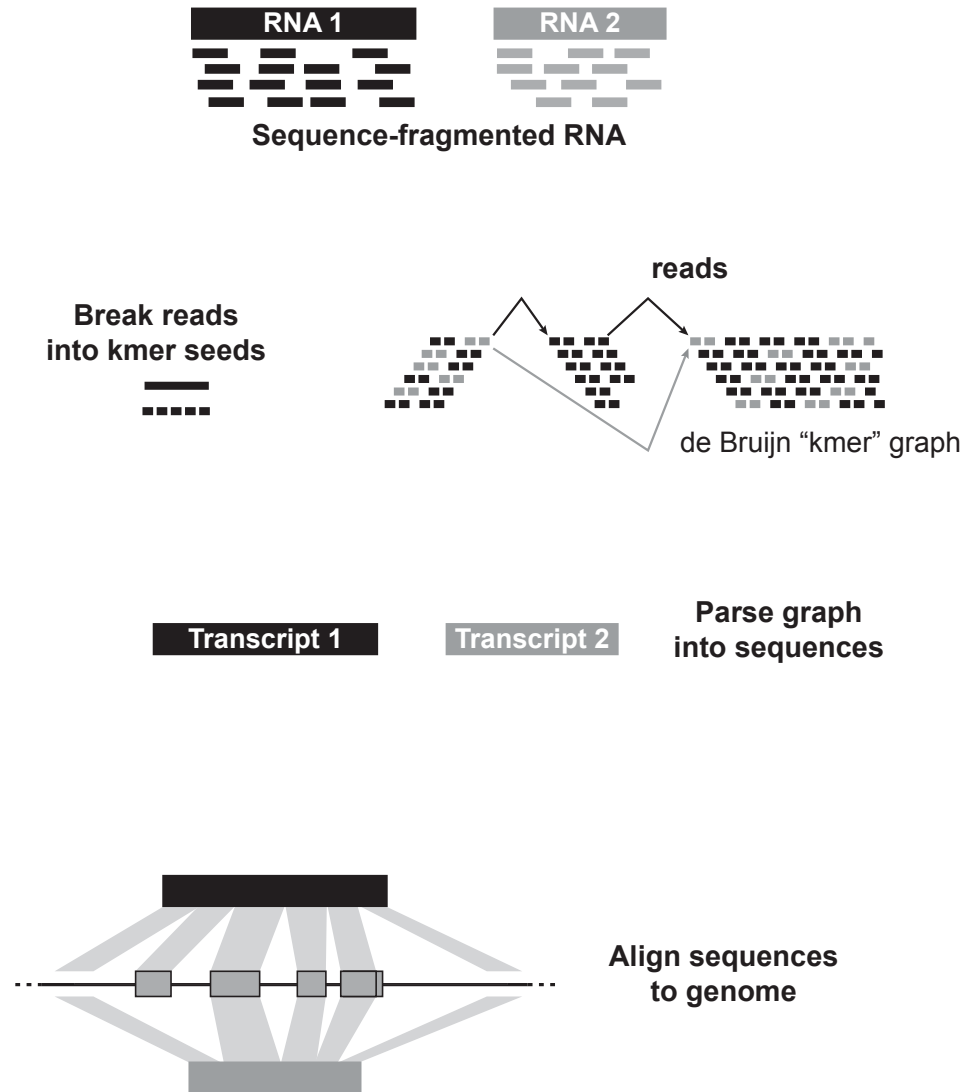
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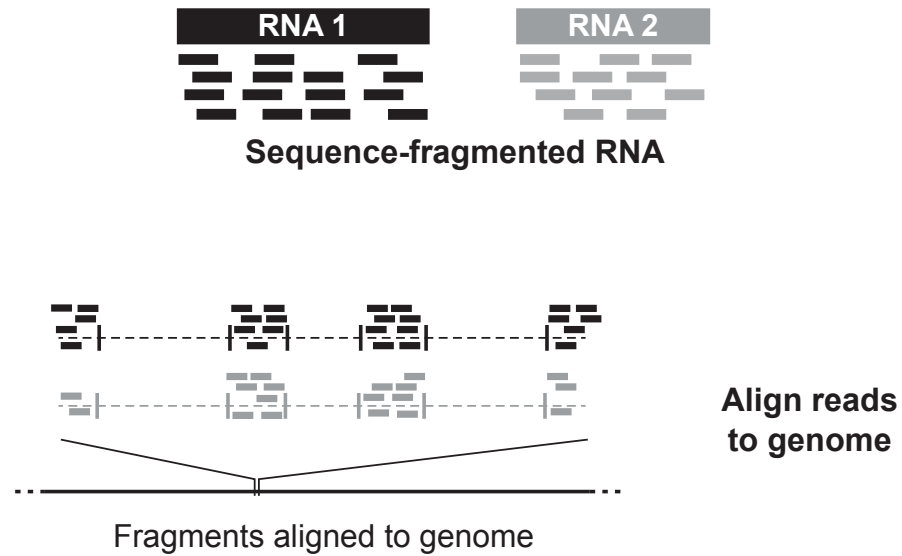
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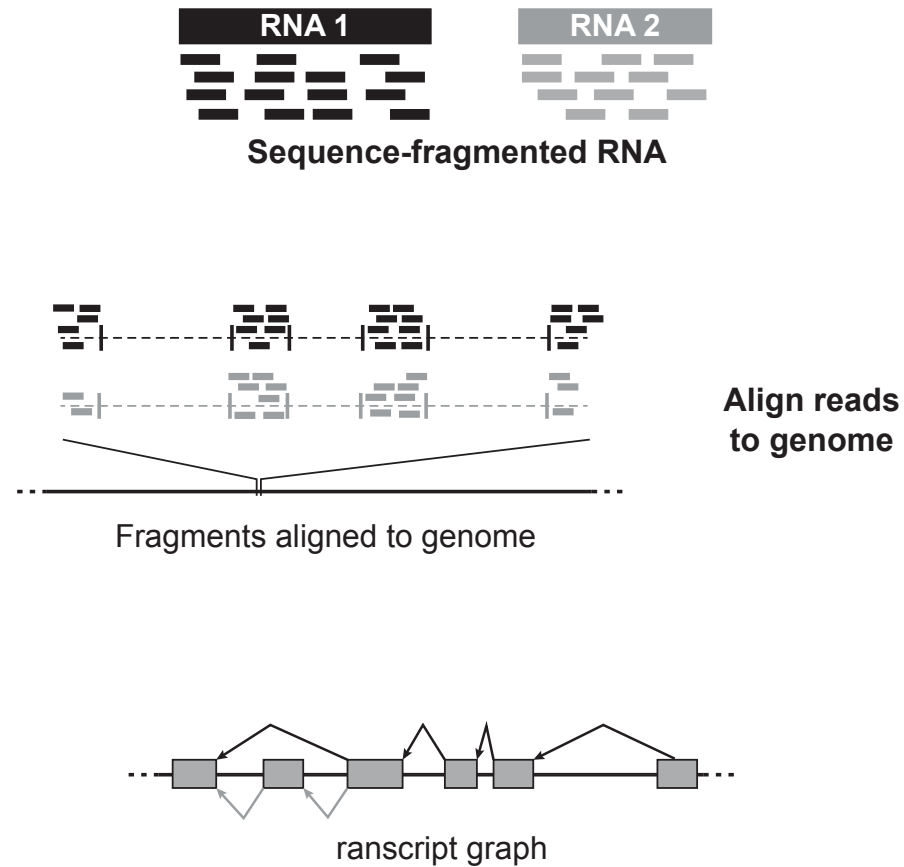
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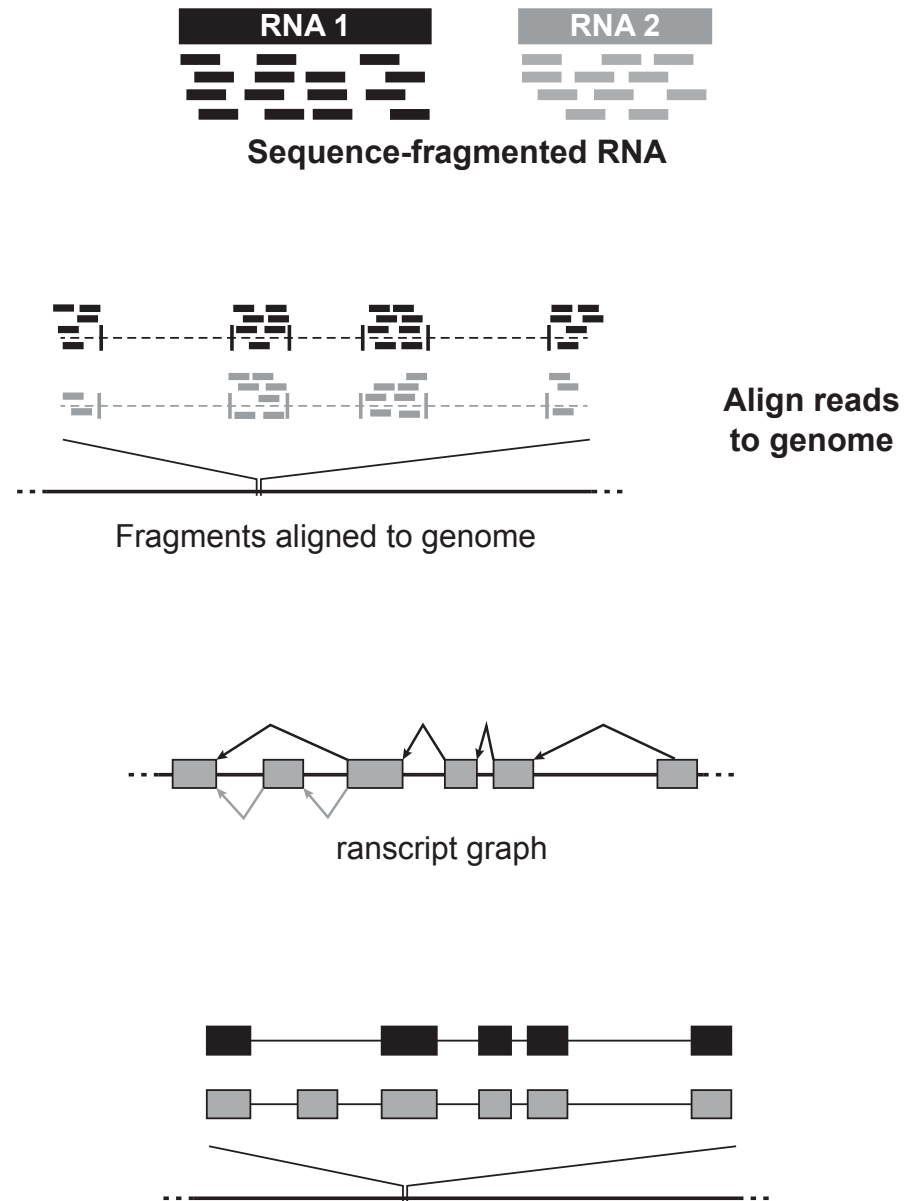
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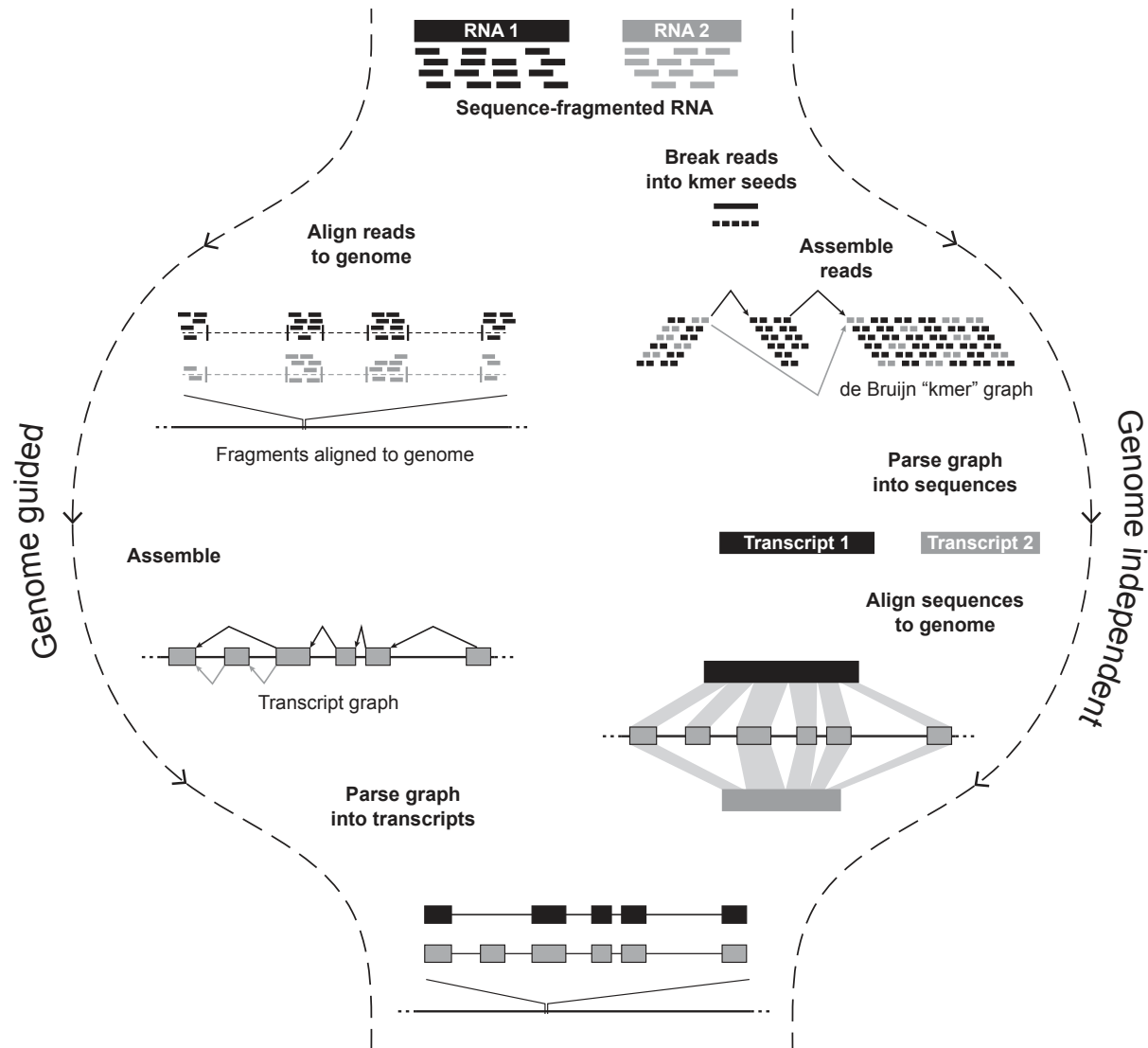
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Trans-ABYSS	Scripture
Trinity	

Differences between Cufflinks and Scripture

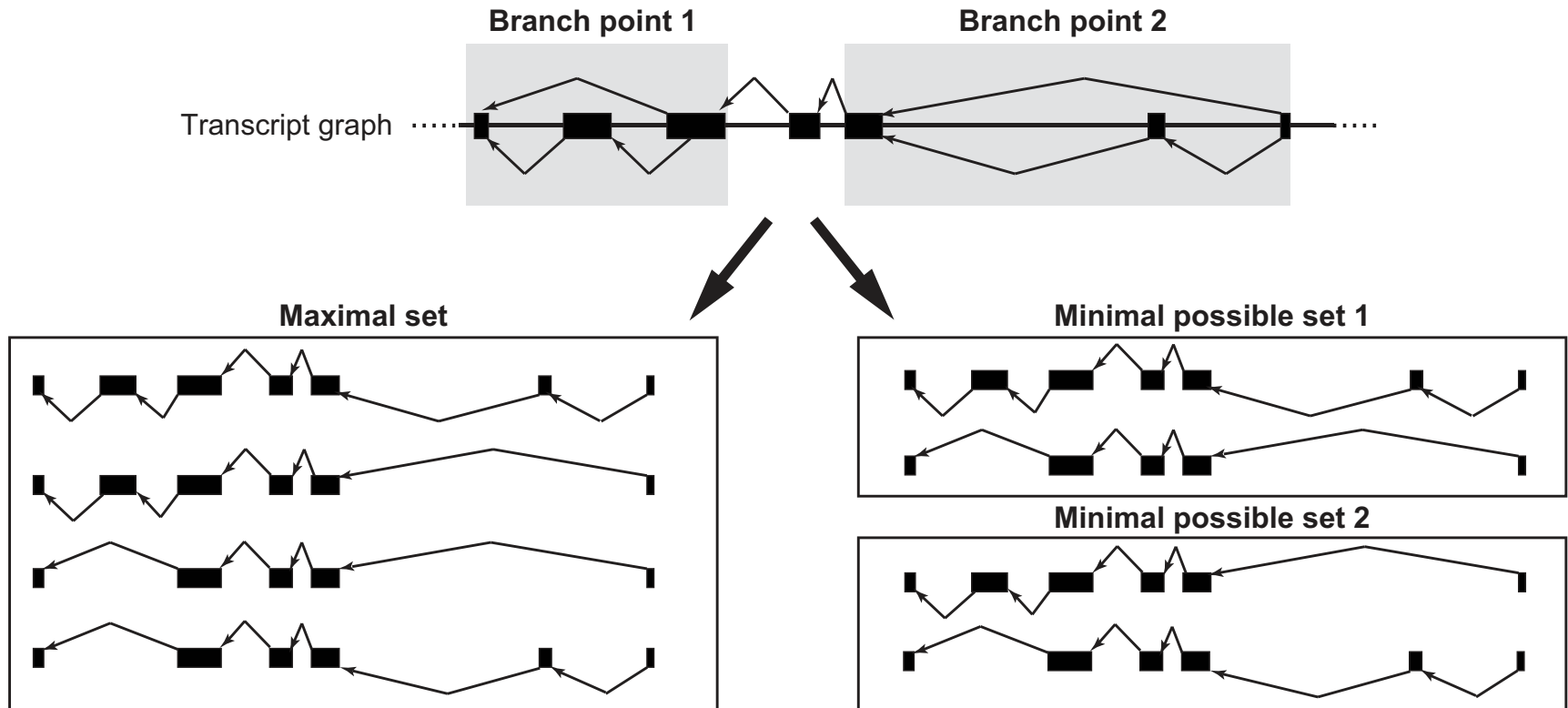
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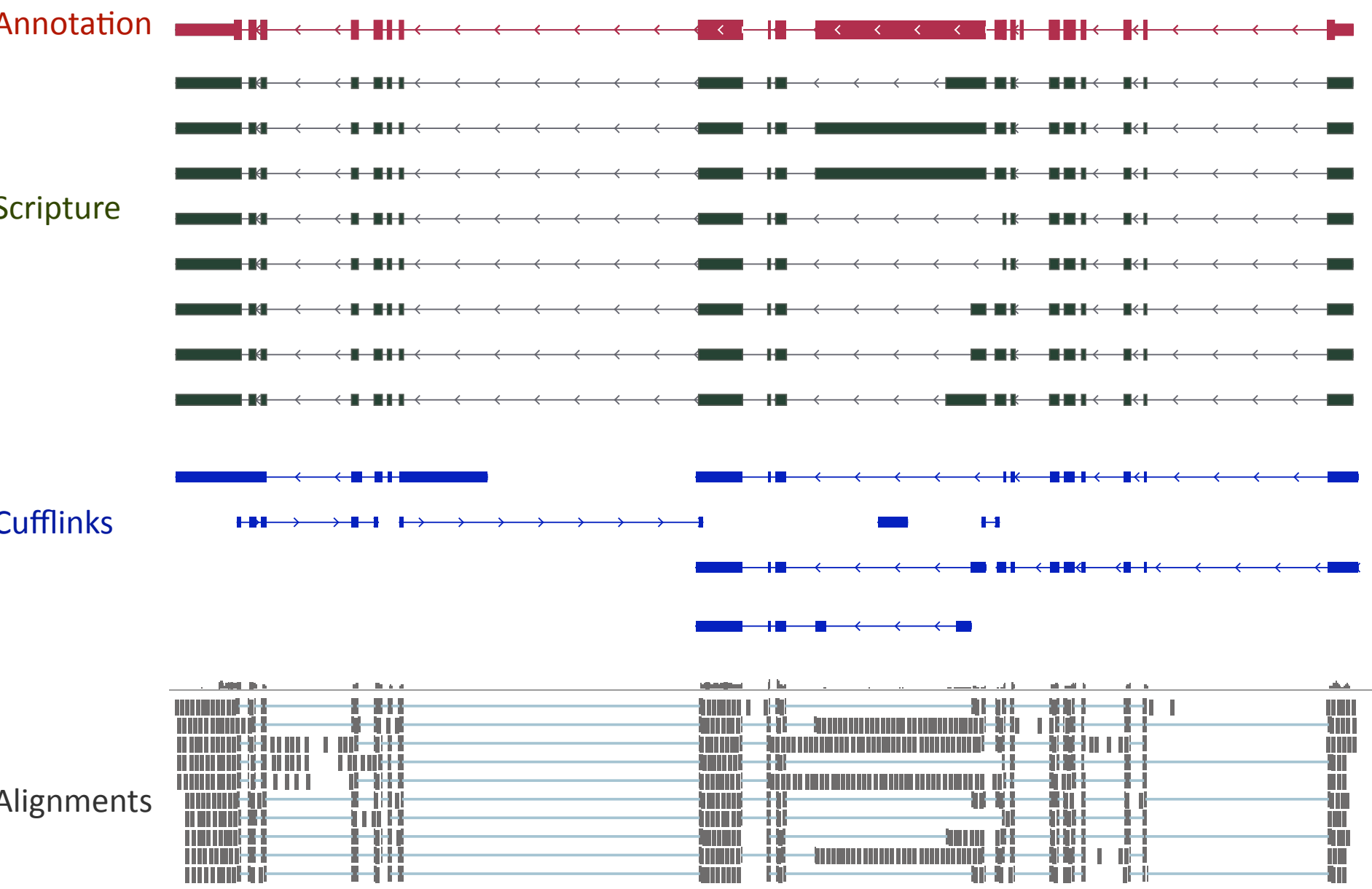
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Differences between Cufflinks and Scripture – Example



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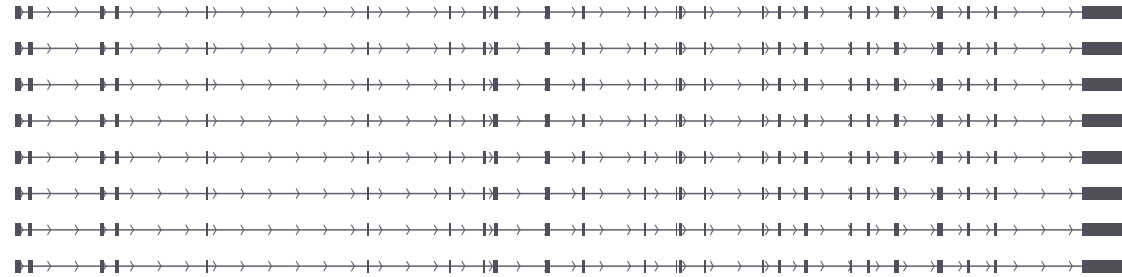
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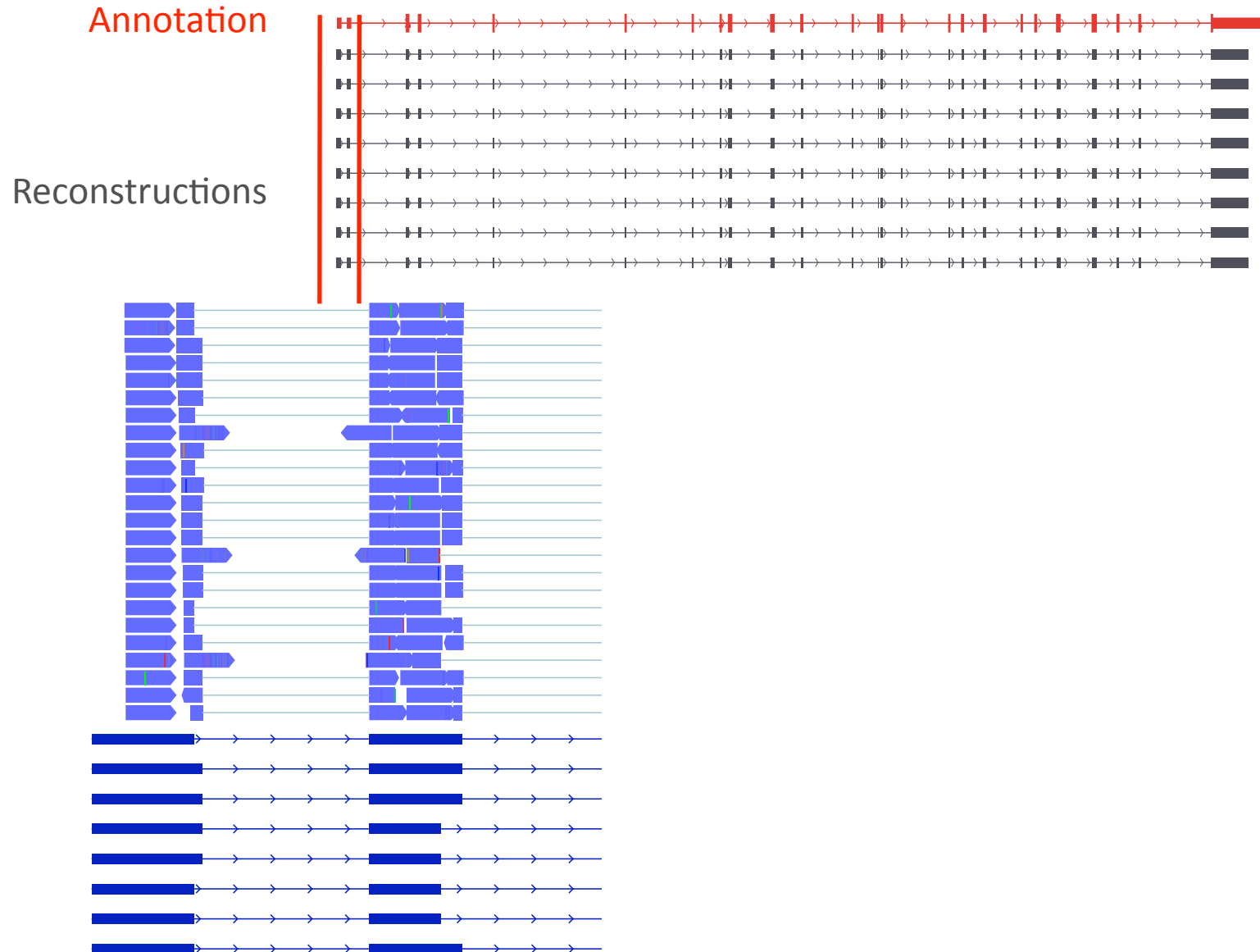
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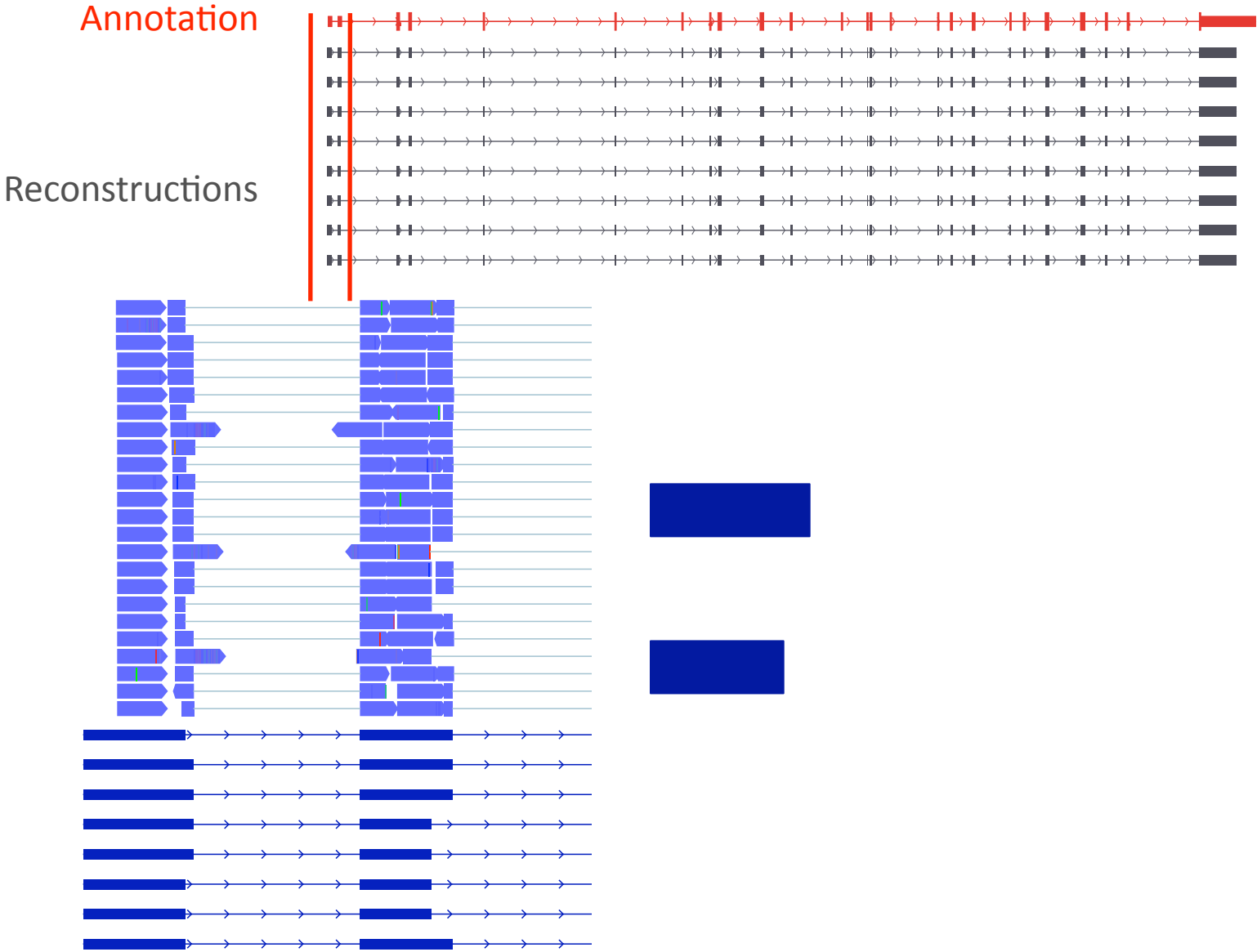
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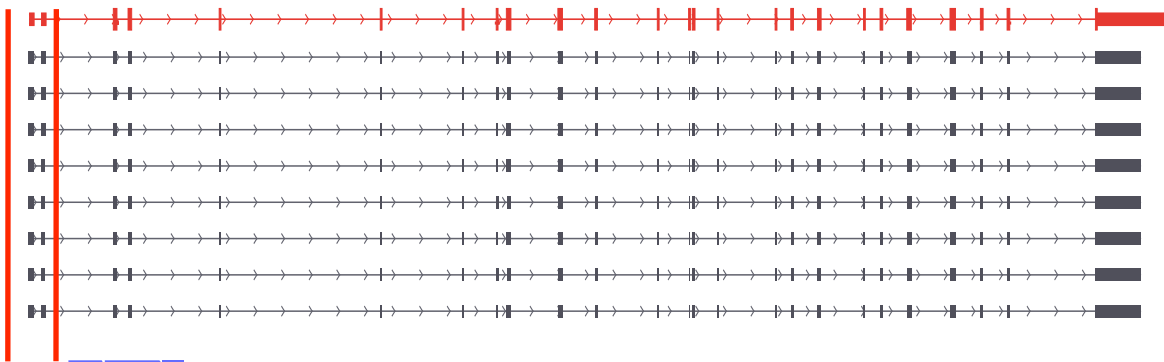


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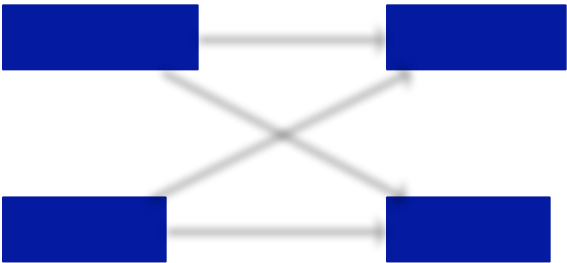


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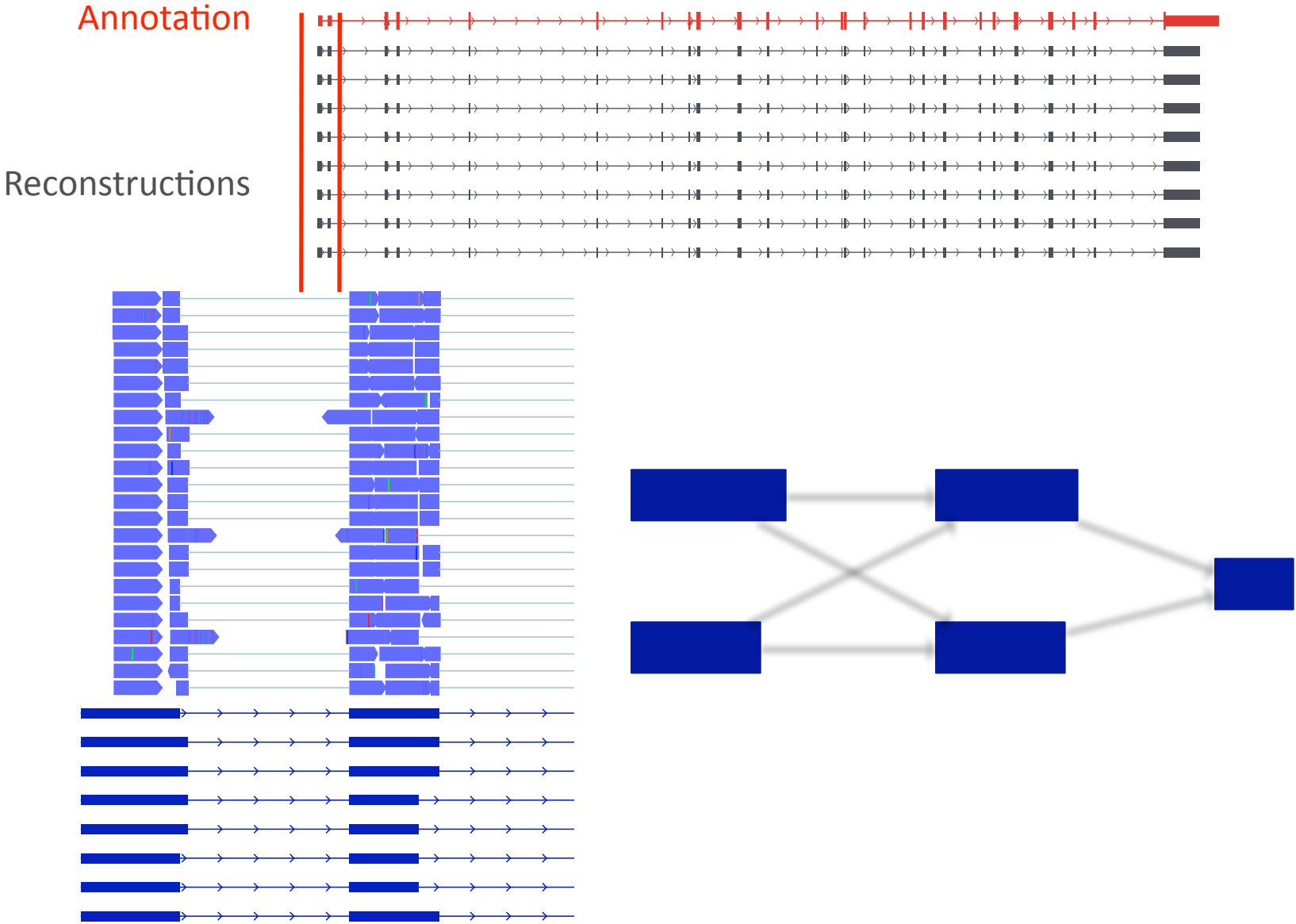
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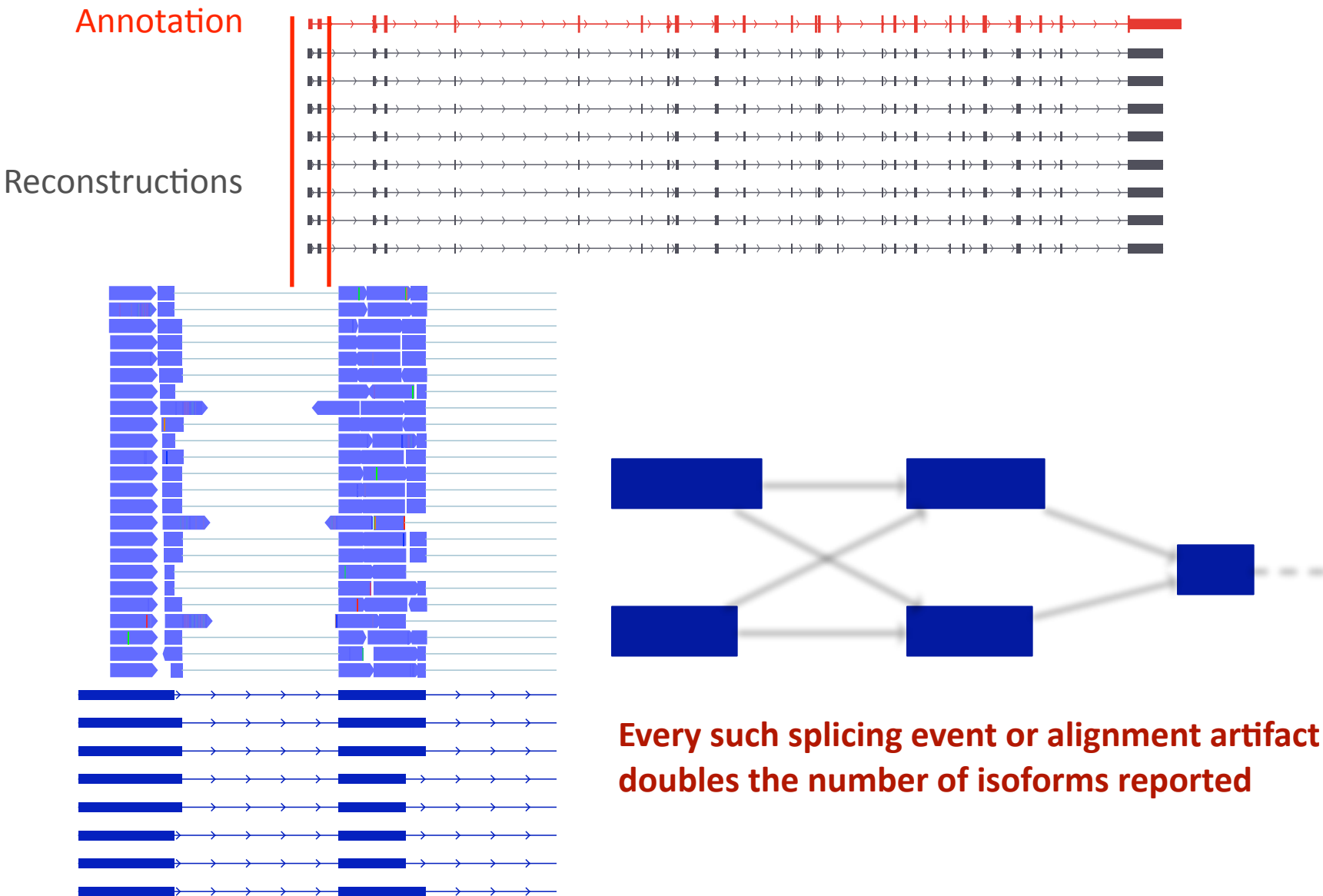
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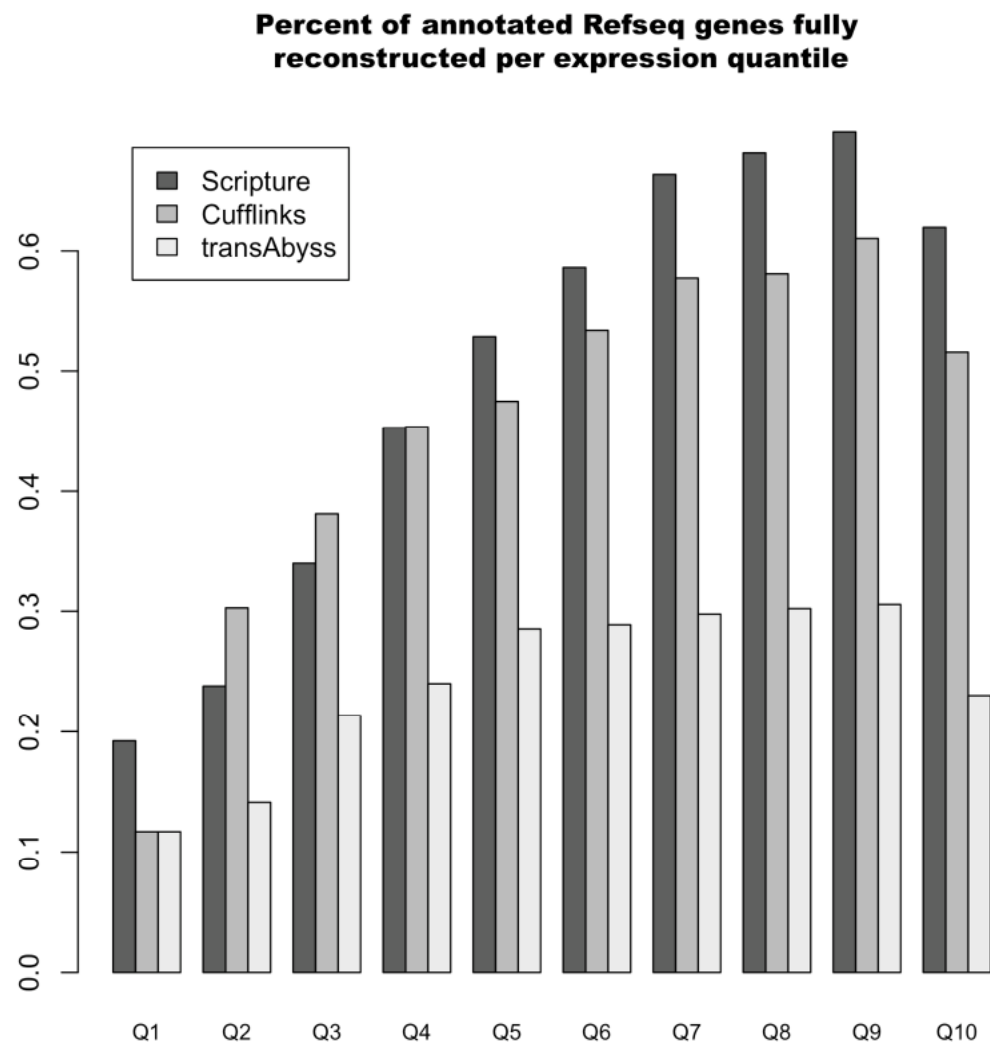
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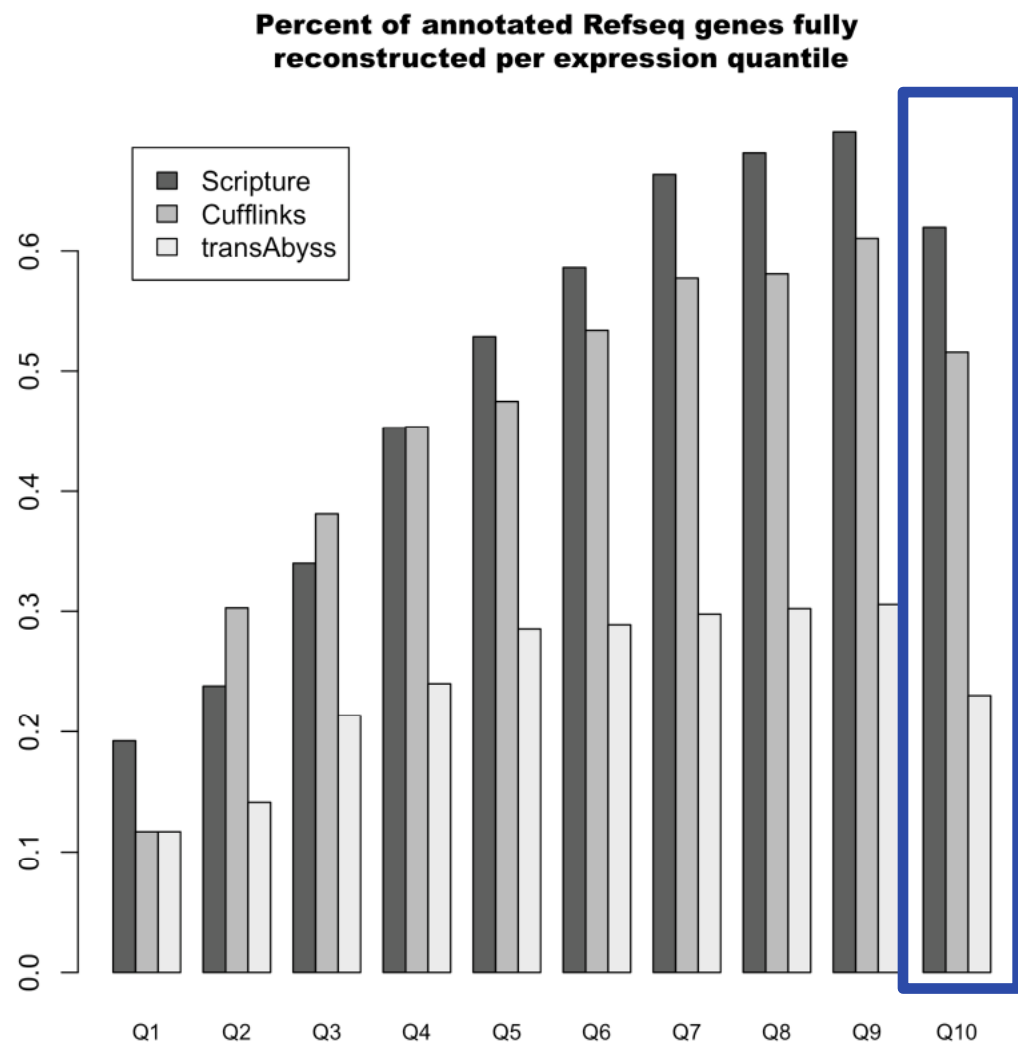
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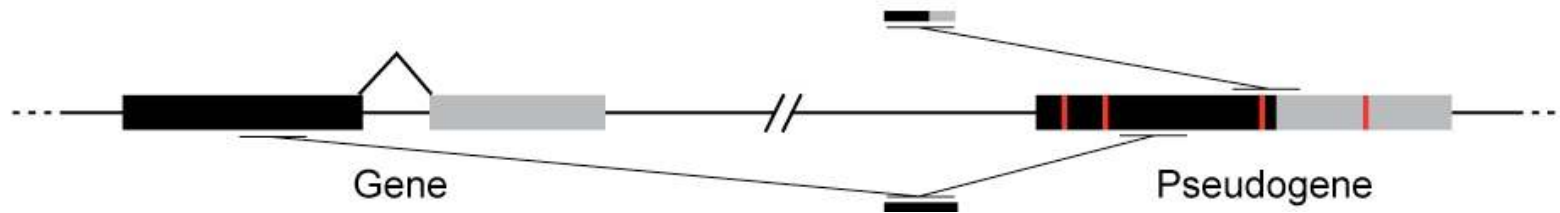


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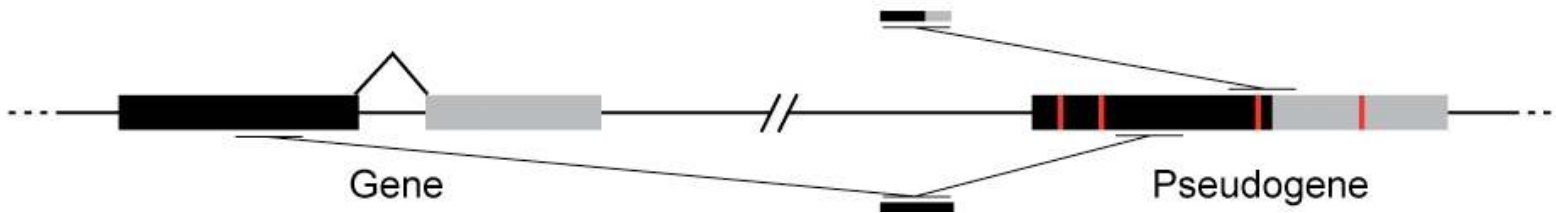


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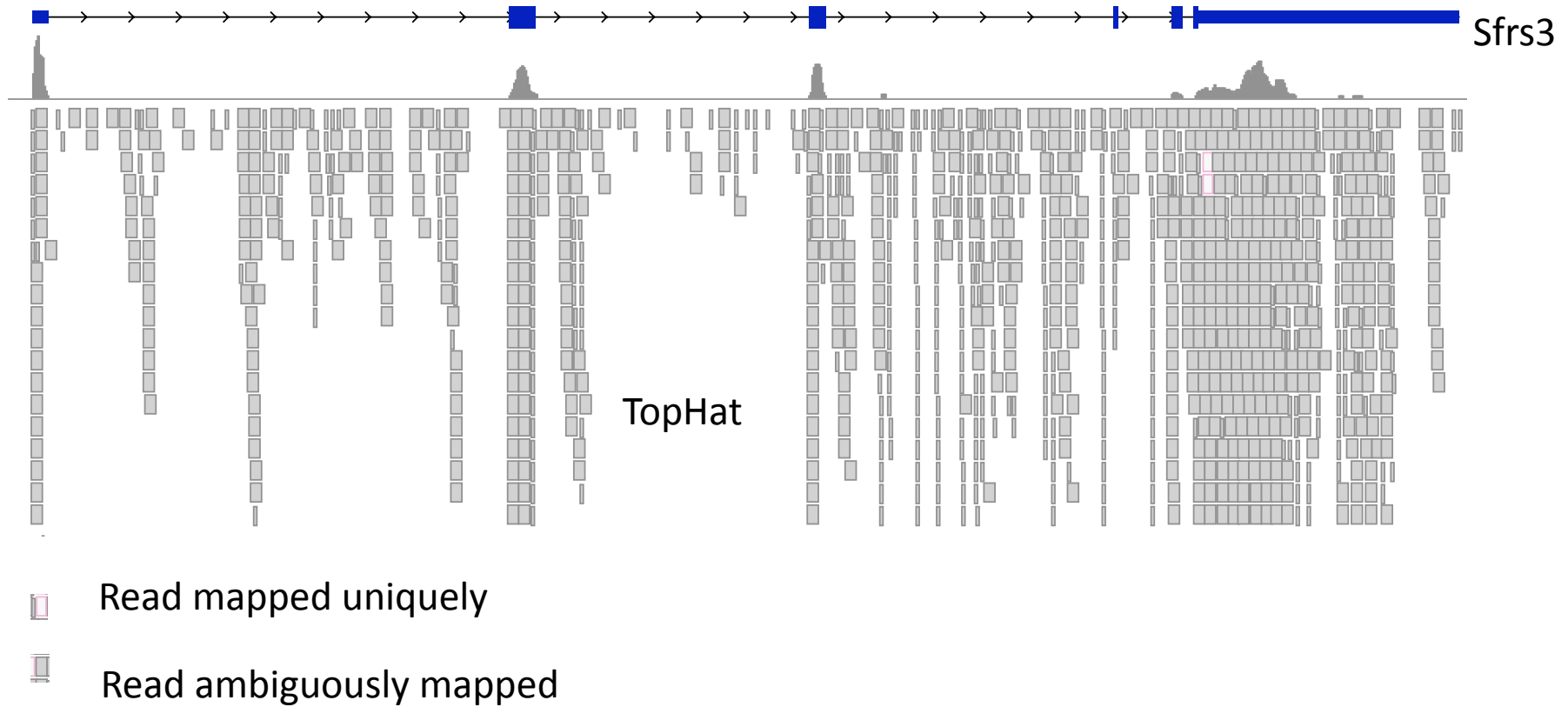


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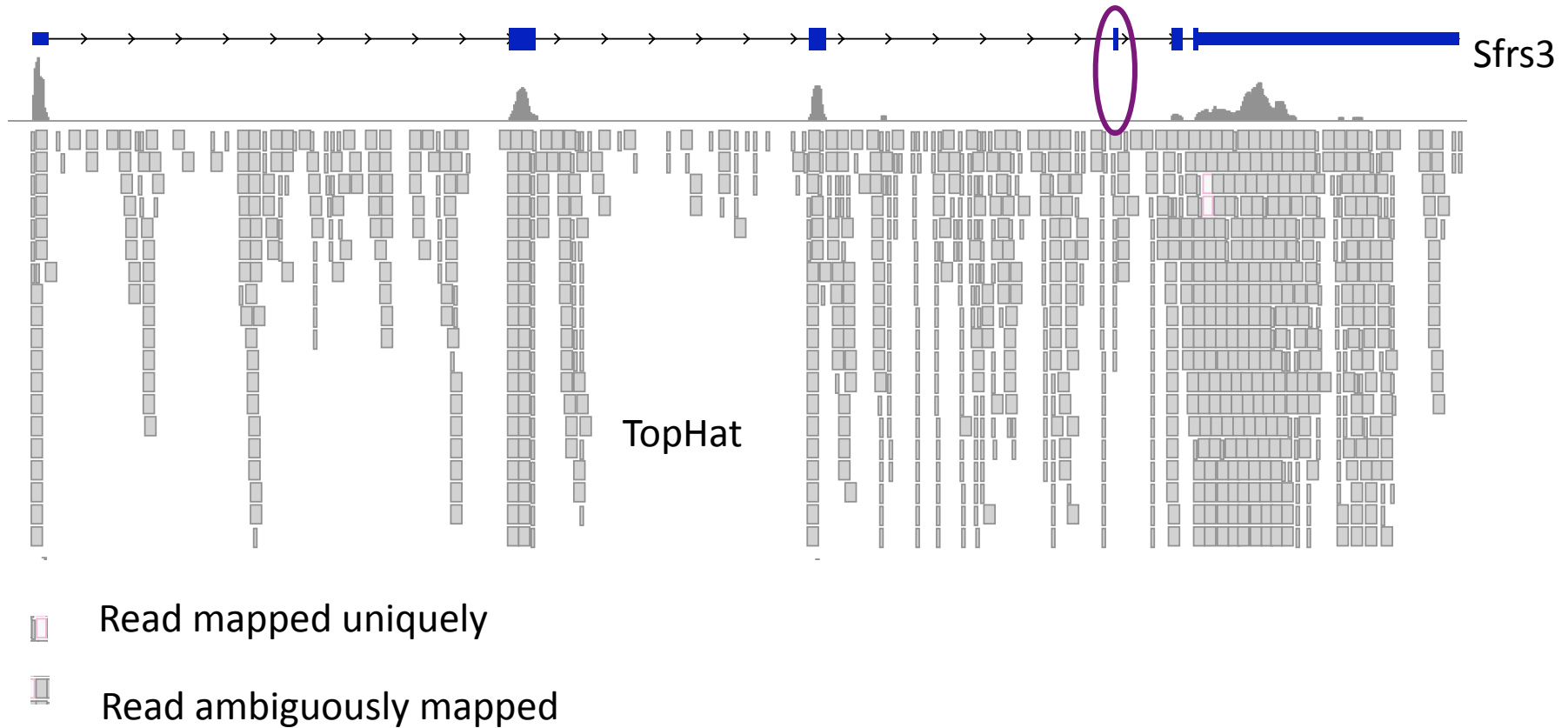


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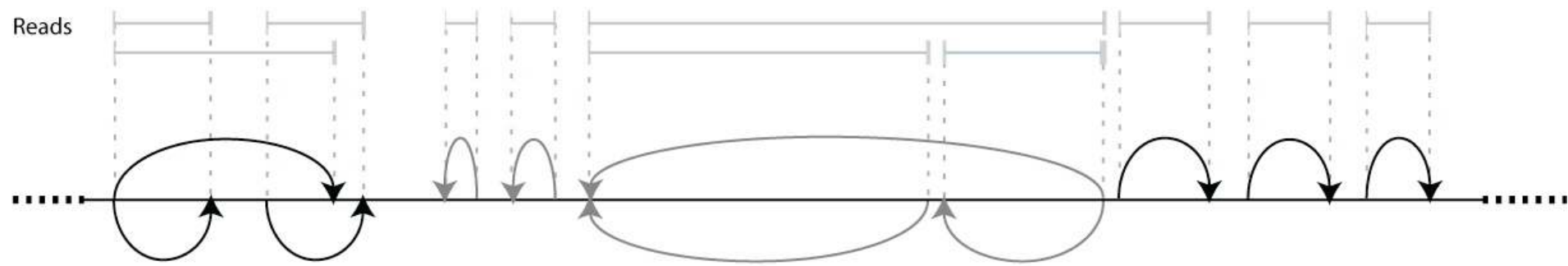
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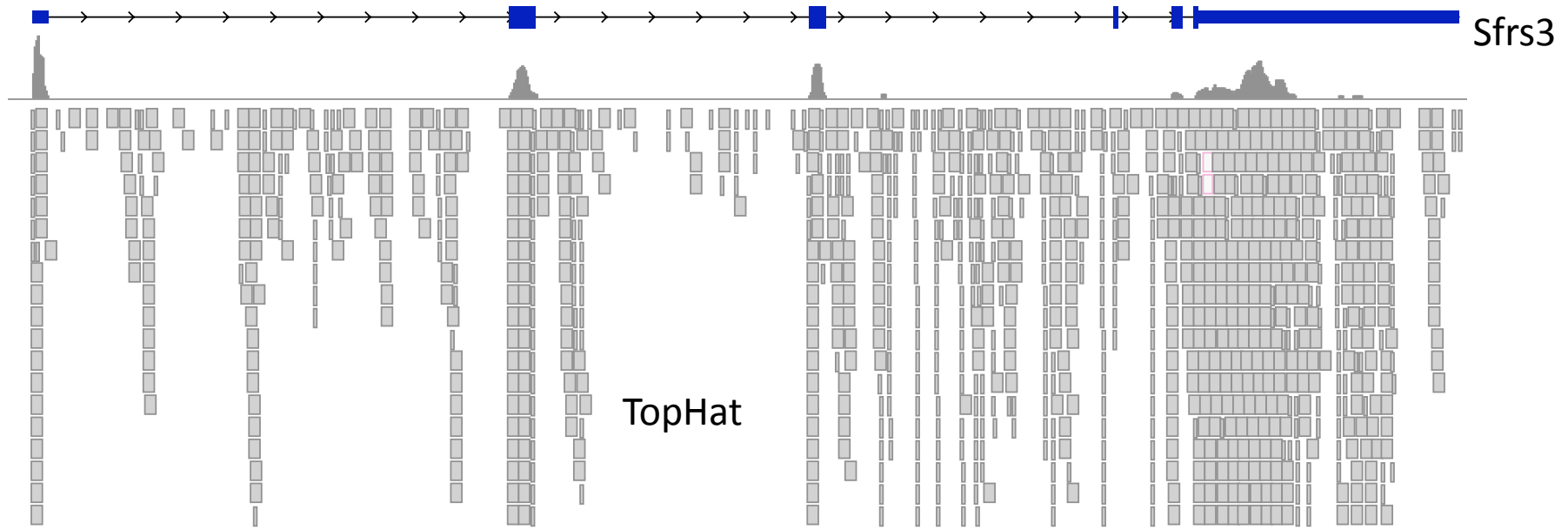
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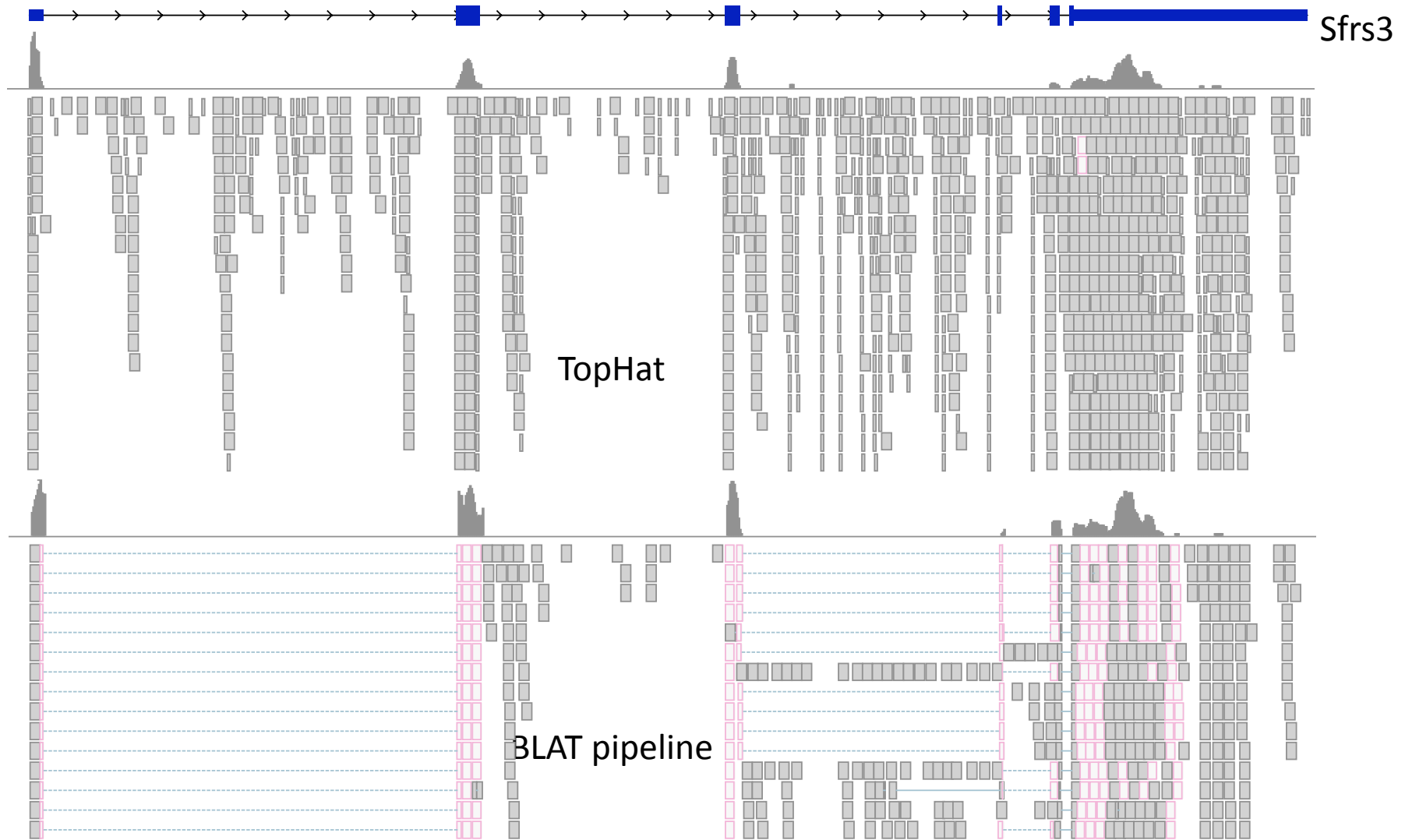
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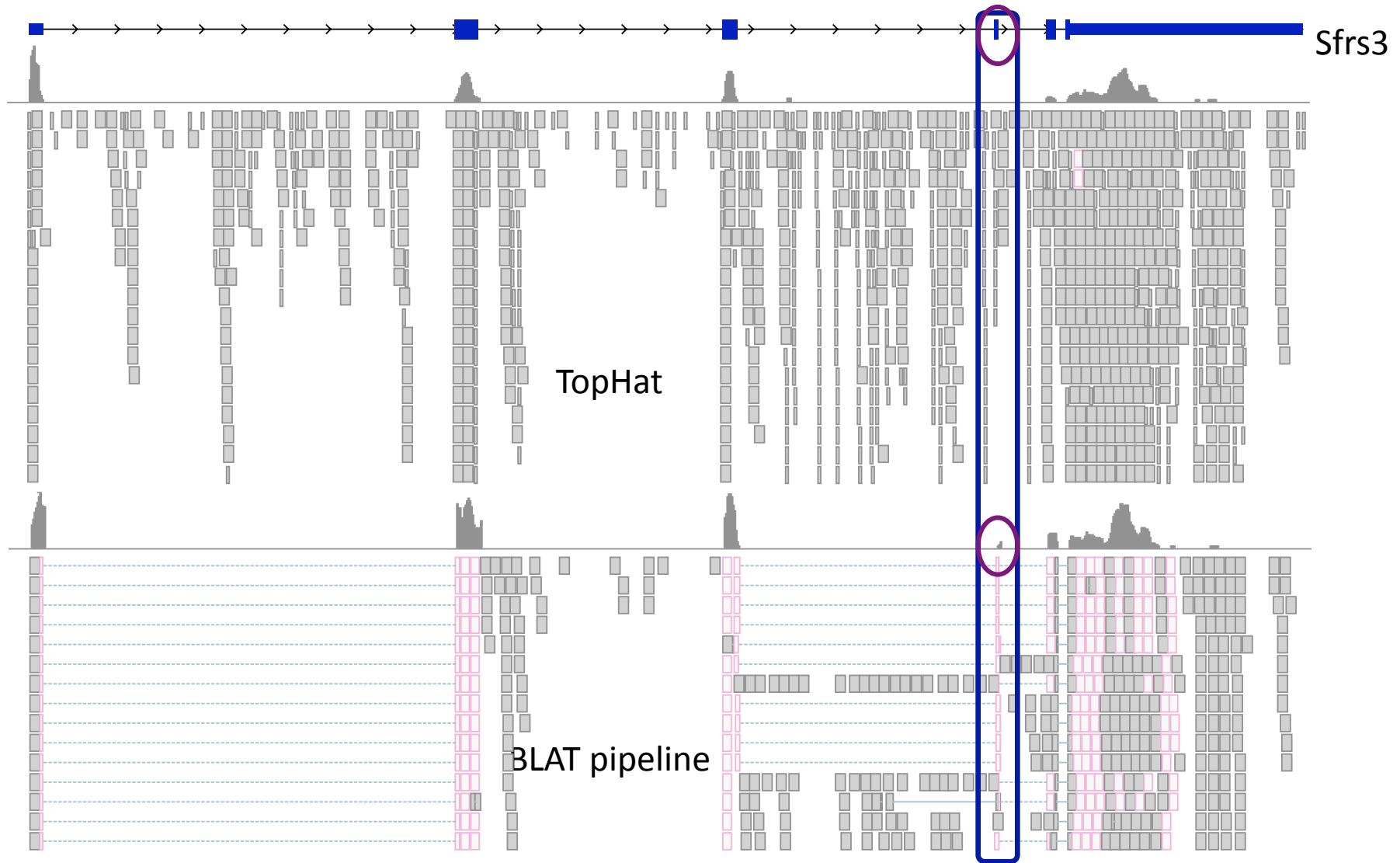
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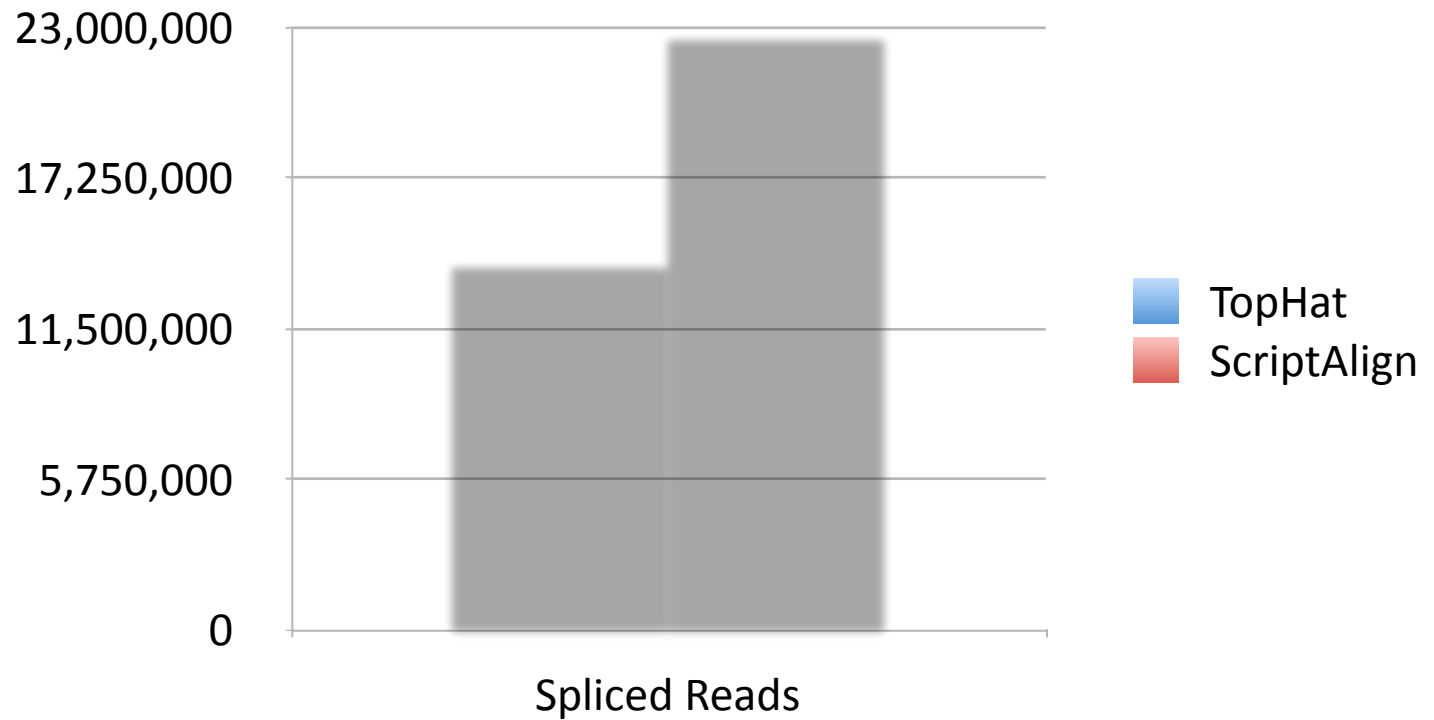
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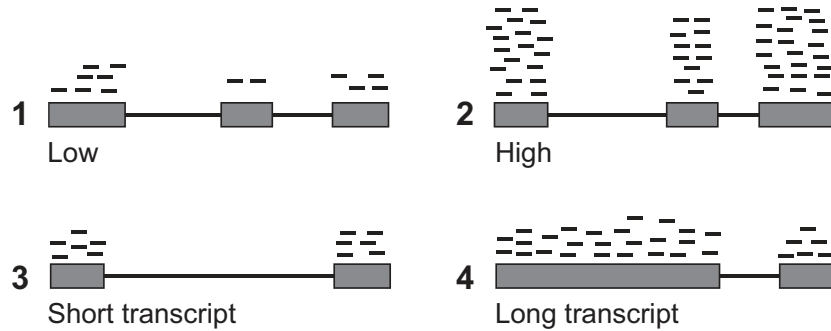
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Overview of the session

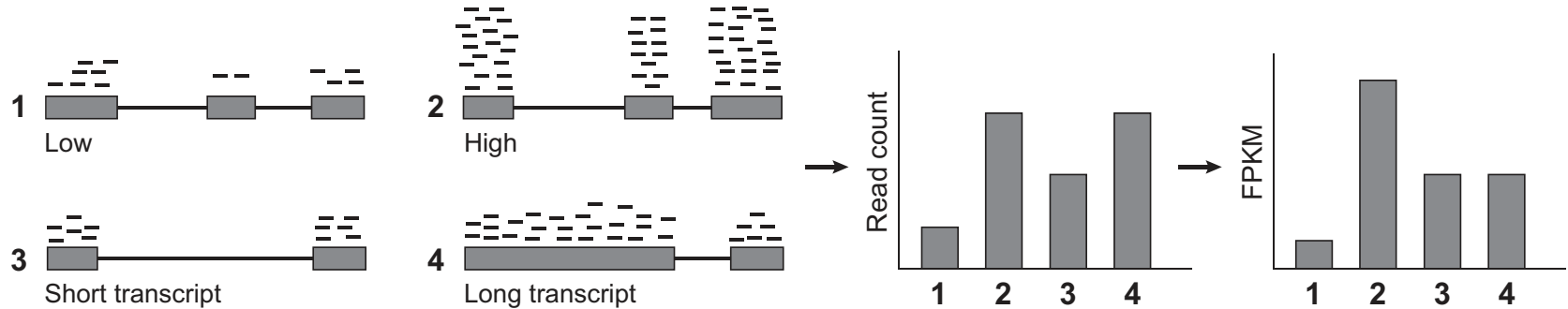
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- Reconstruction: Finding the regions that originate the reads
- Quantification:
 - Assigning scores to regions
 - Finding regions that are differentially represented between two or more samples.

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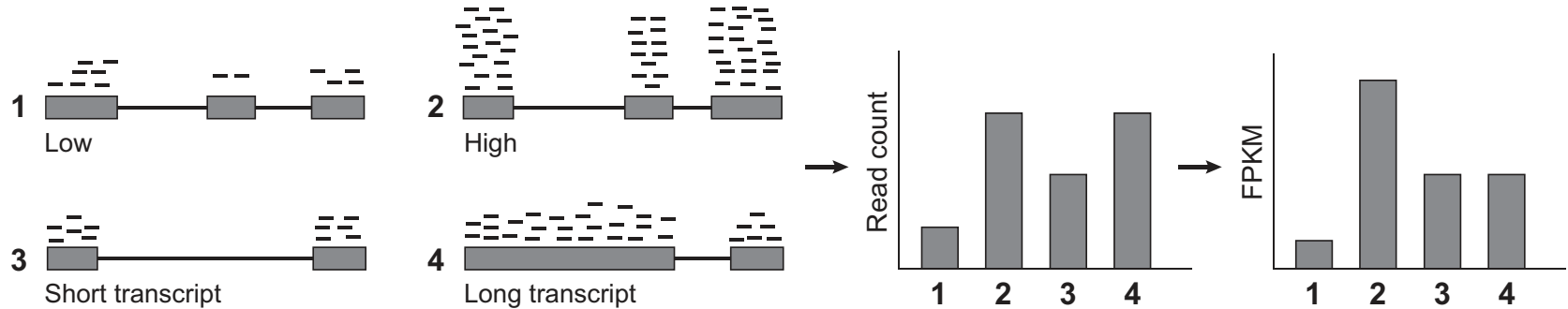
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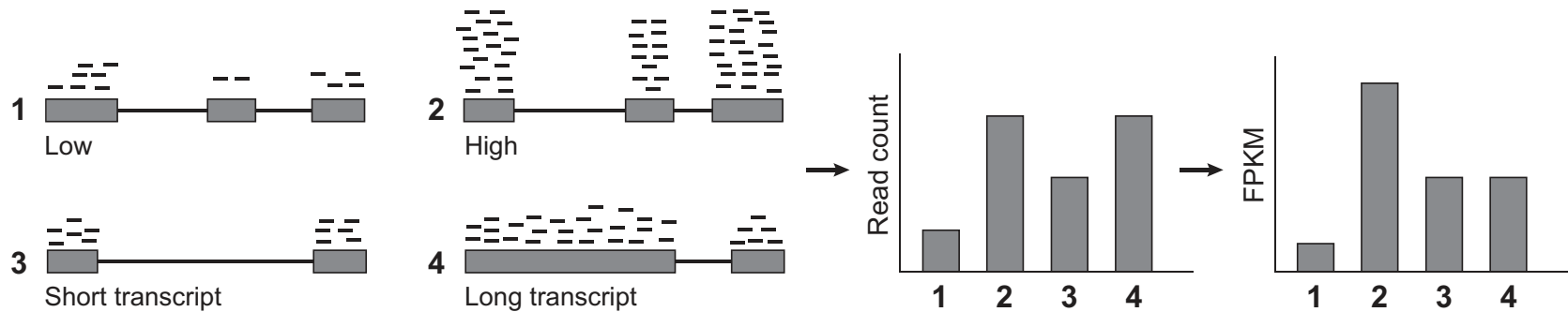


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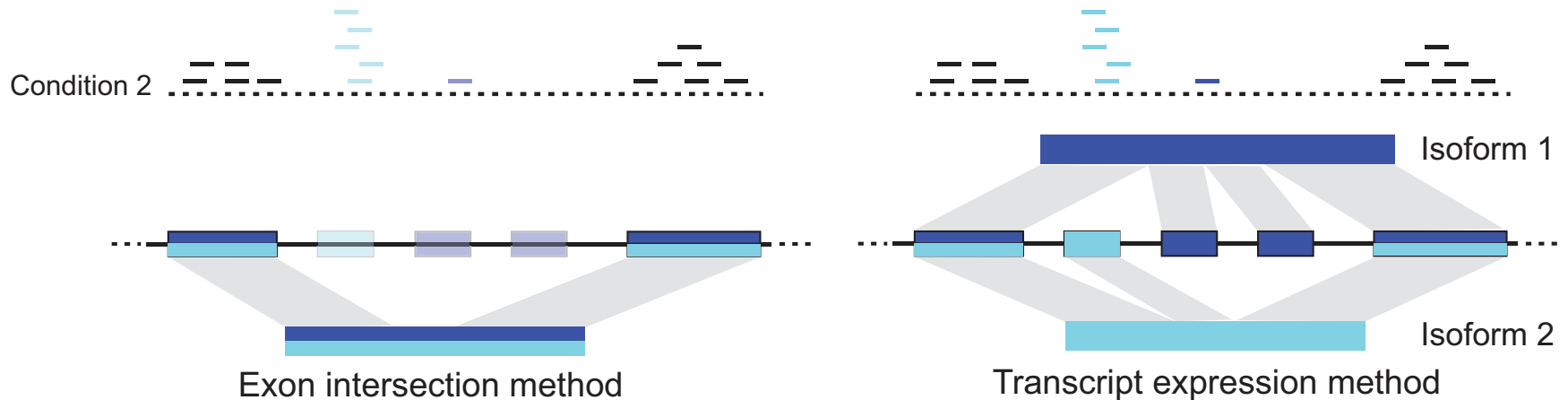
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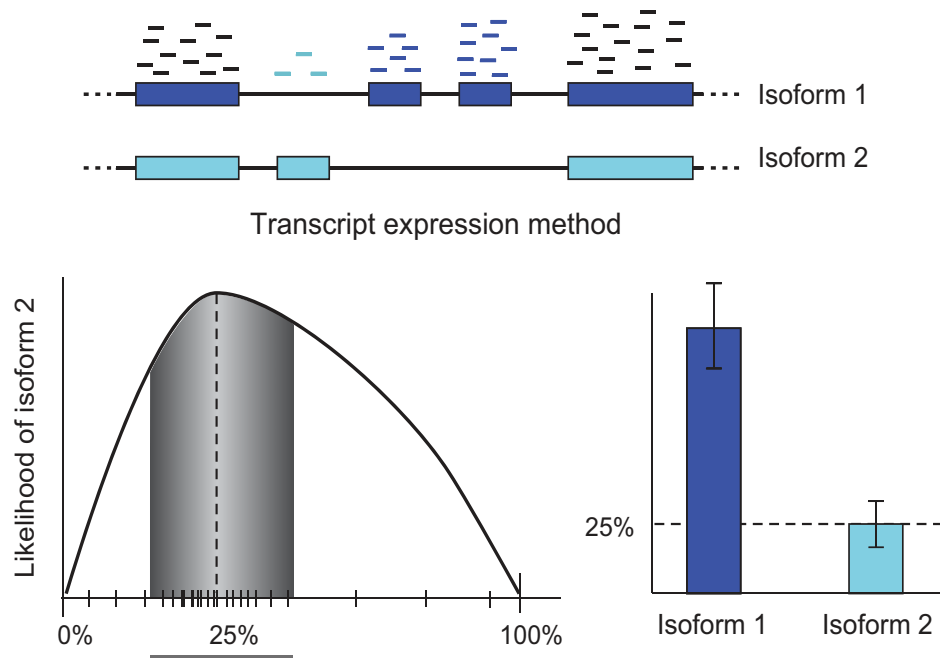


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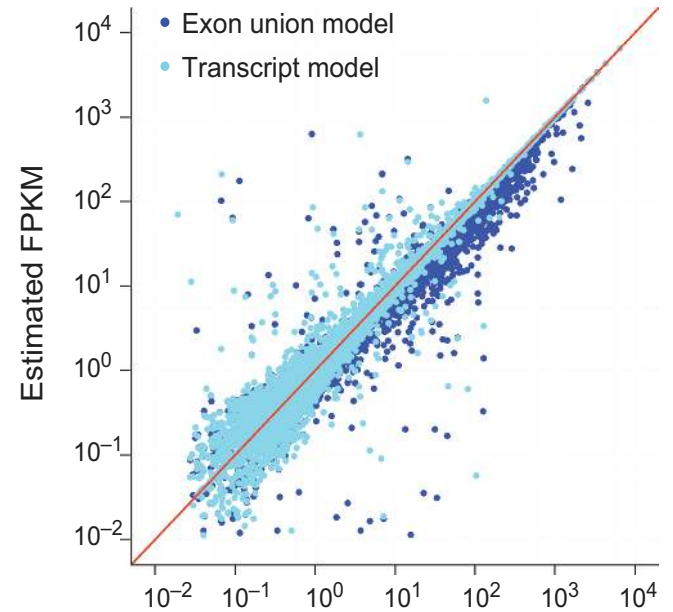
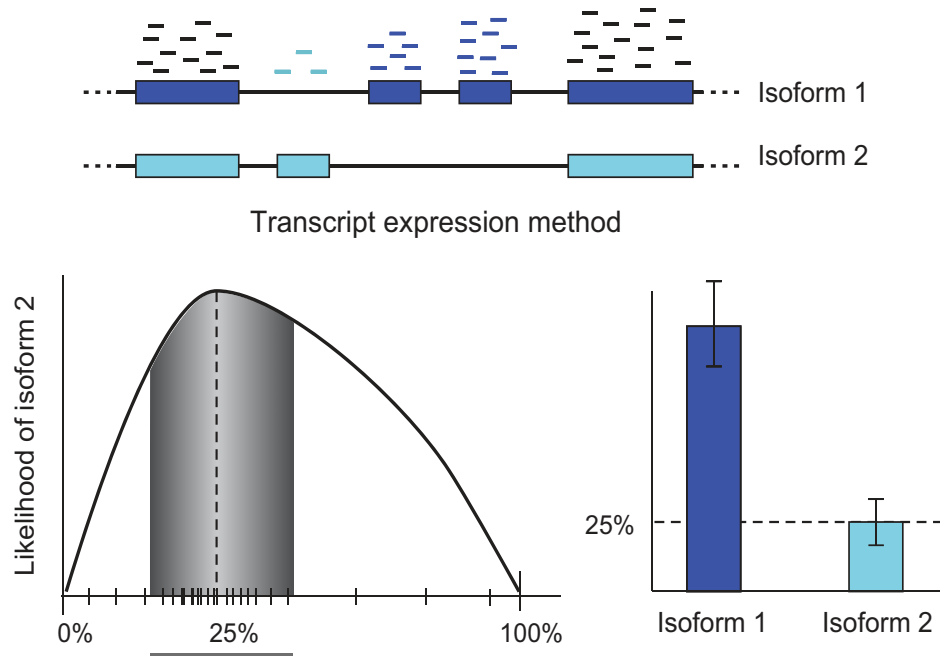
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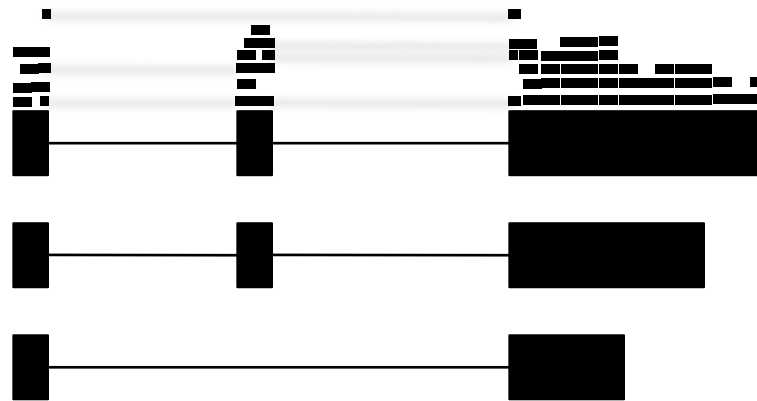
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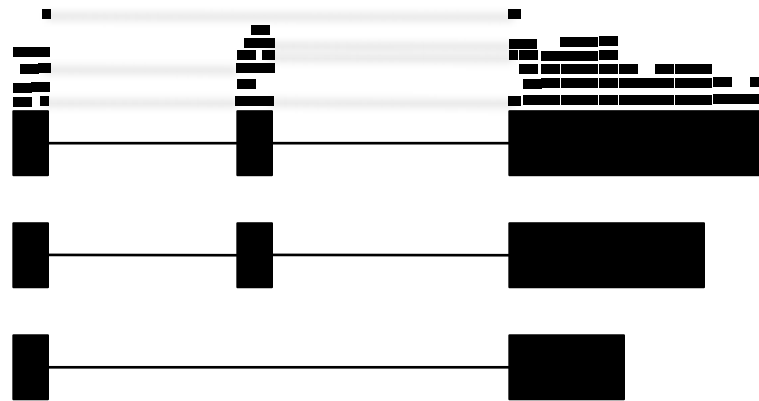
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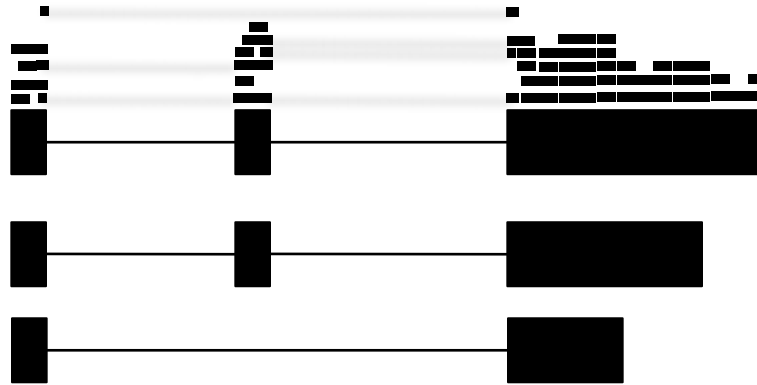
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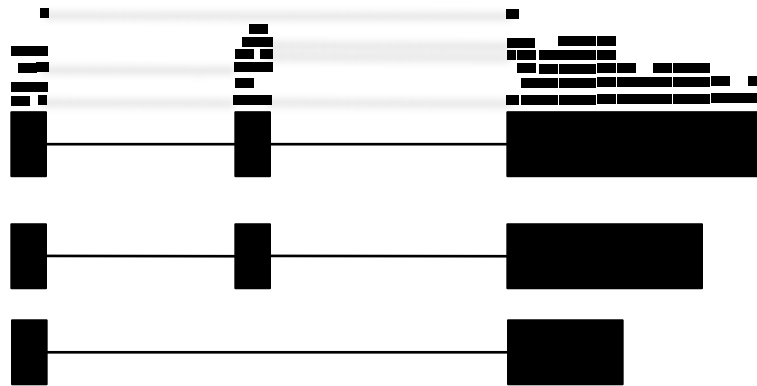
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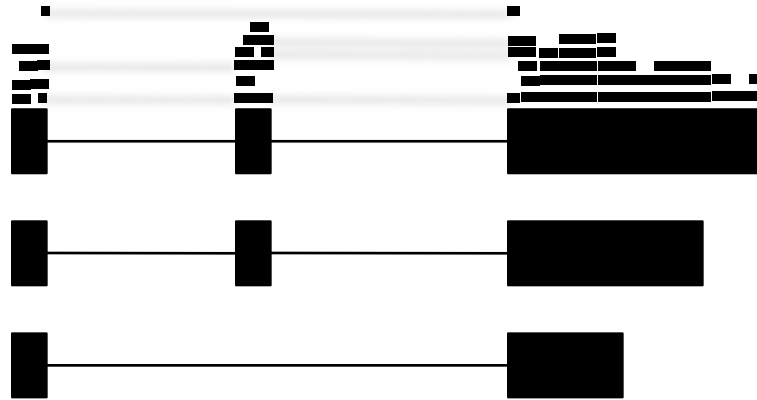
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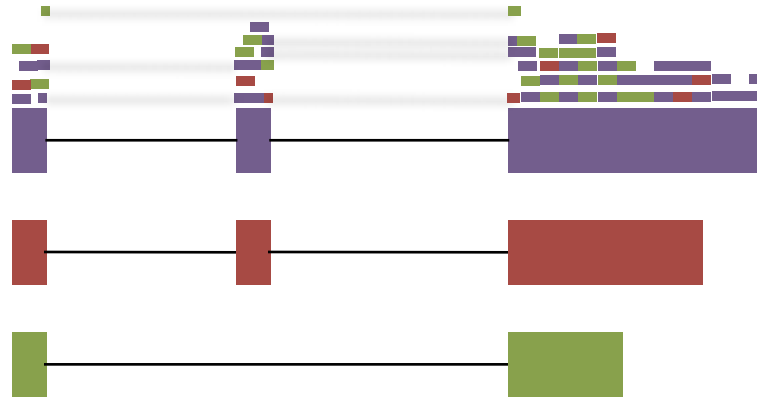
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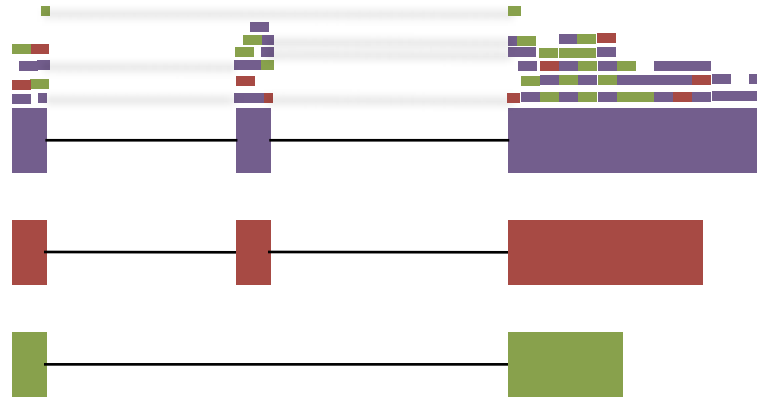
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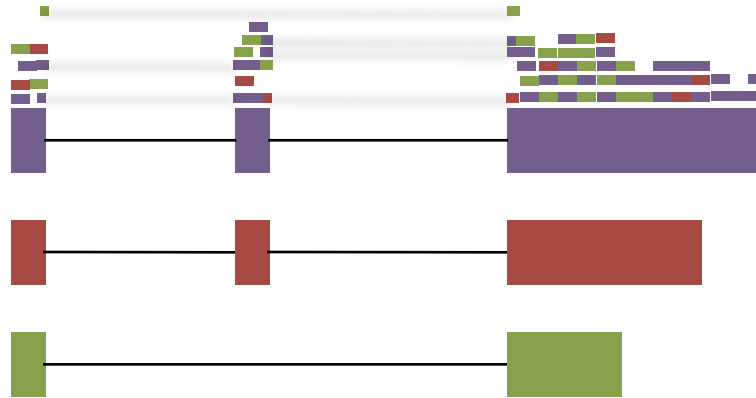


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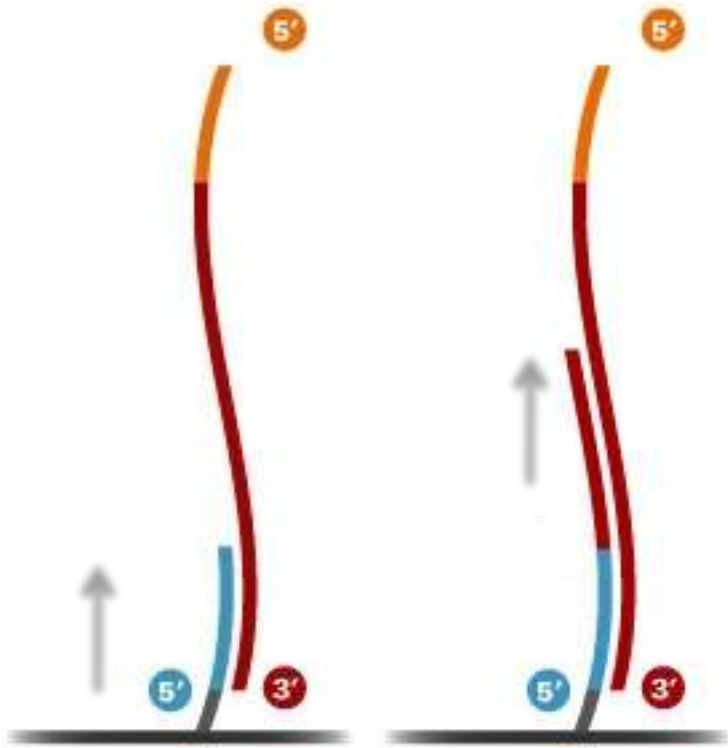
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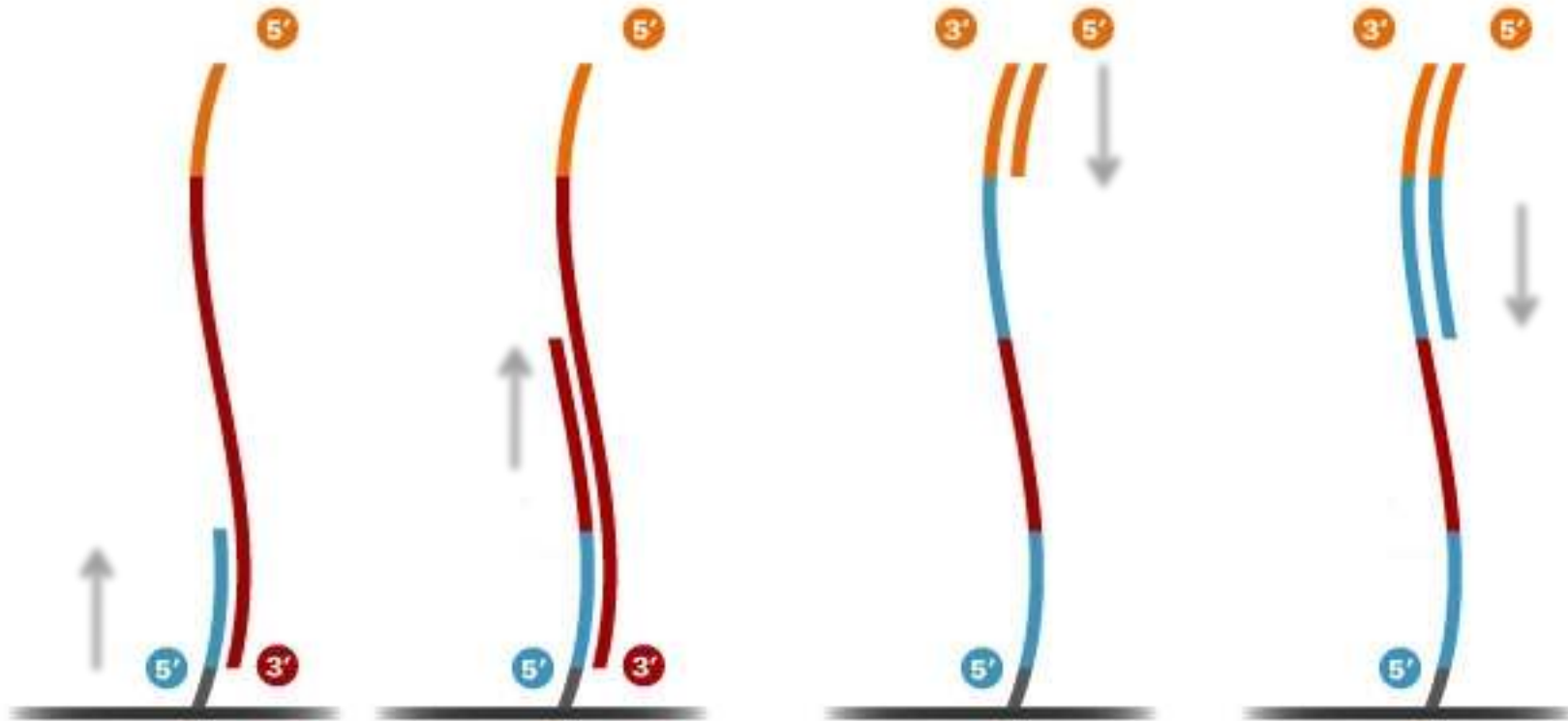
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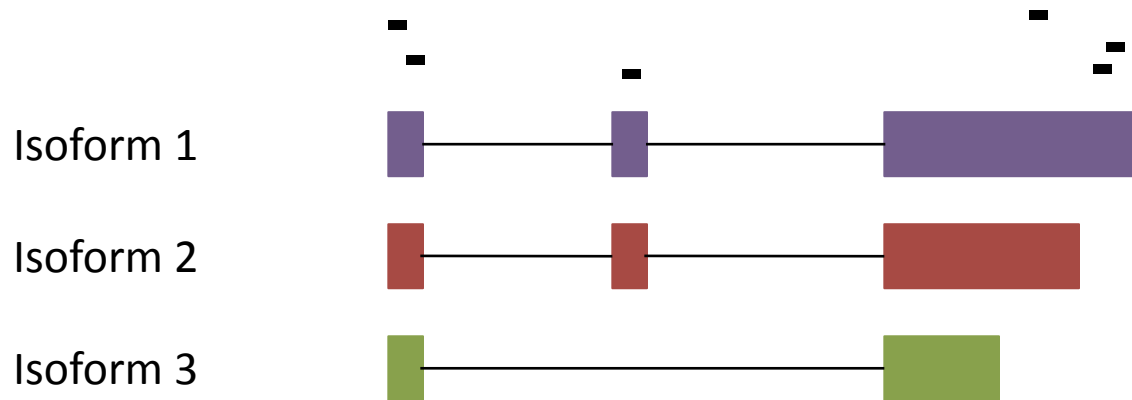
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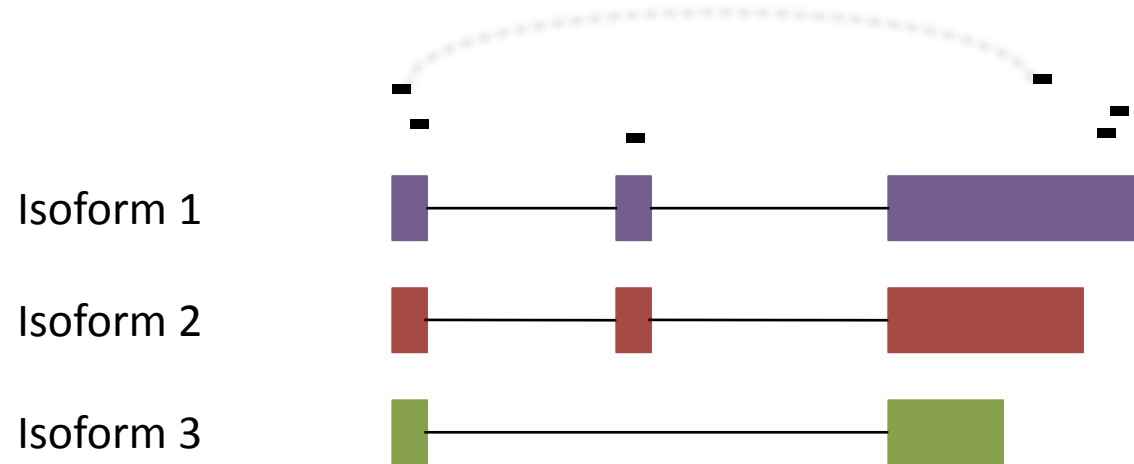


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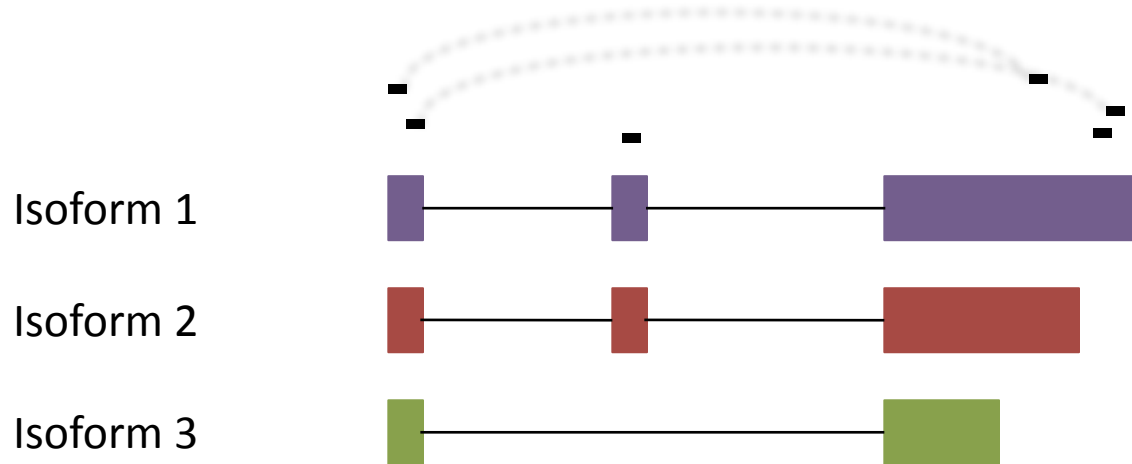
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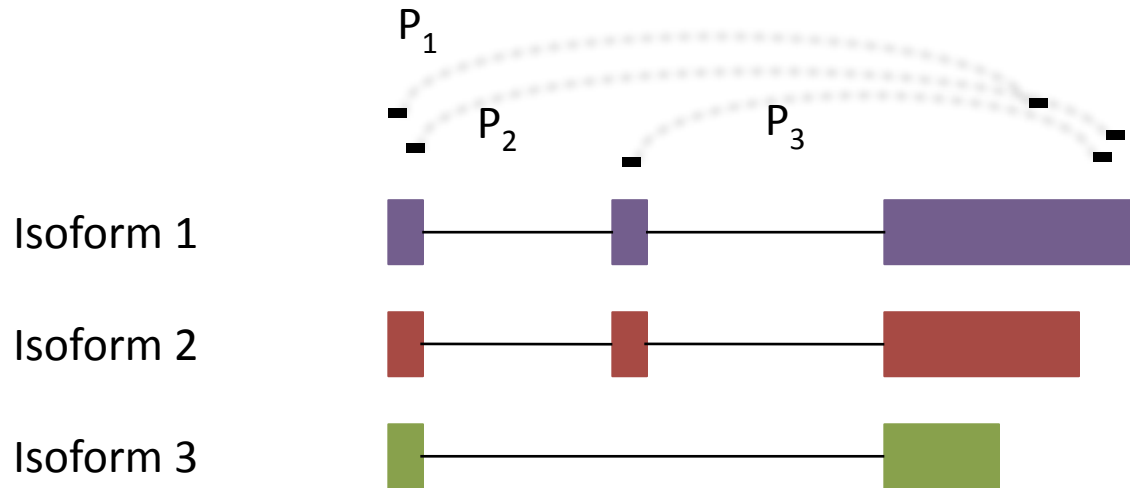
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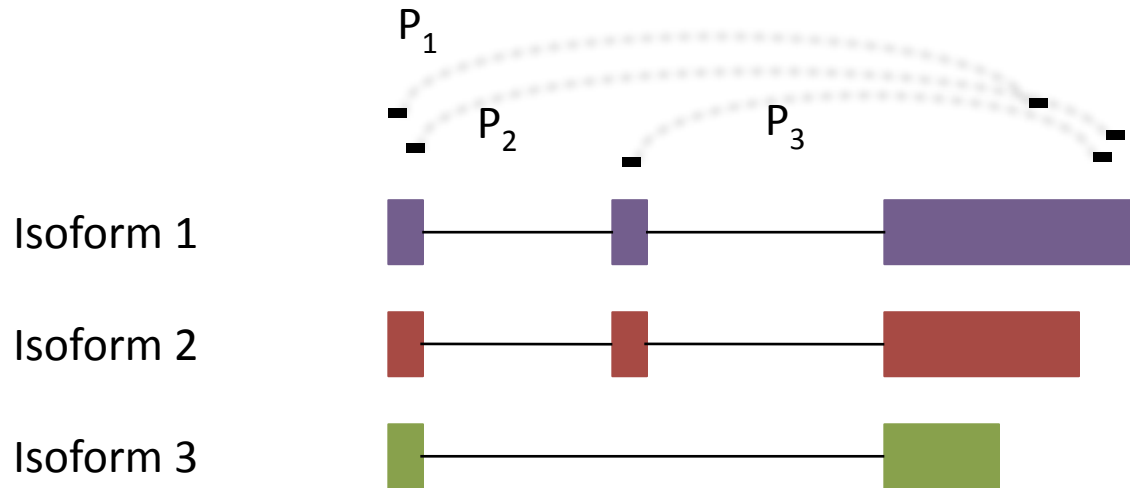
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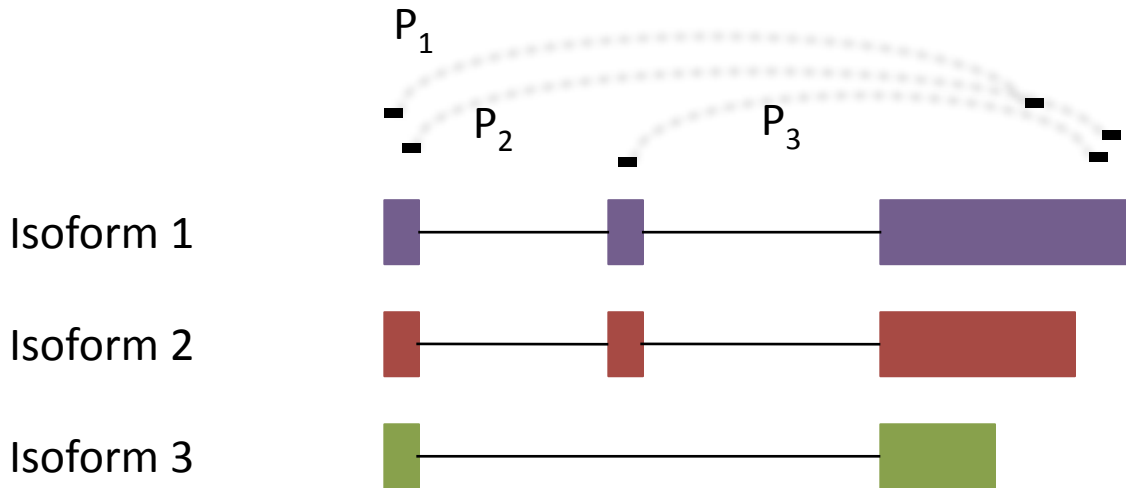


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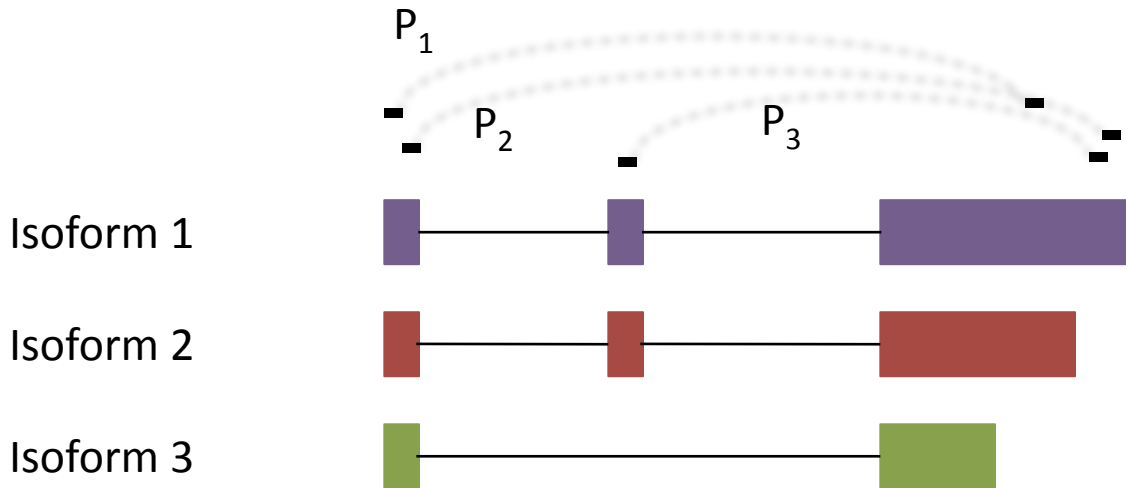
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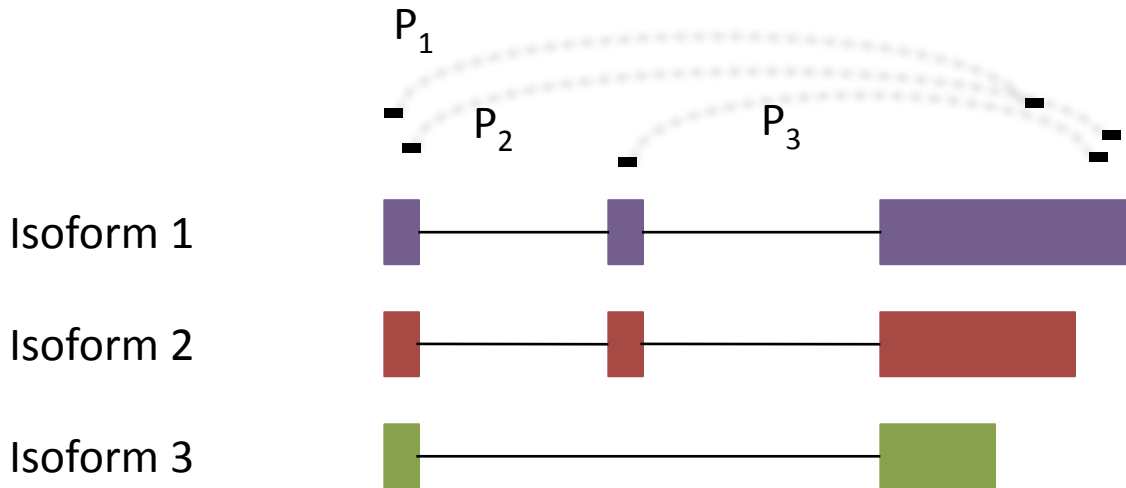
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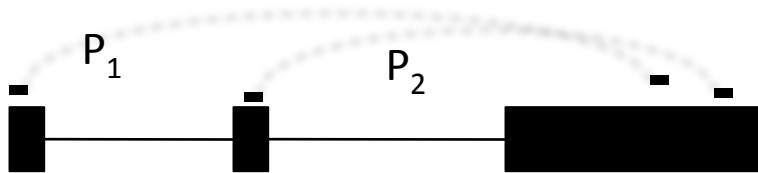


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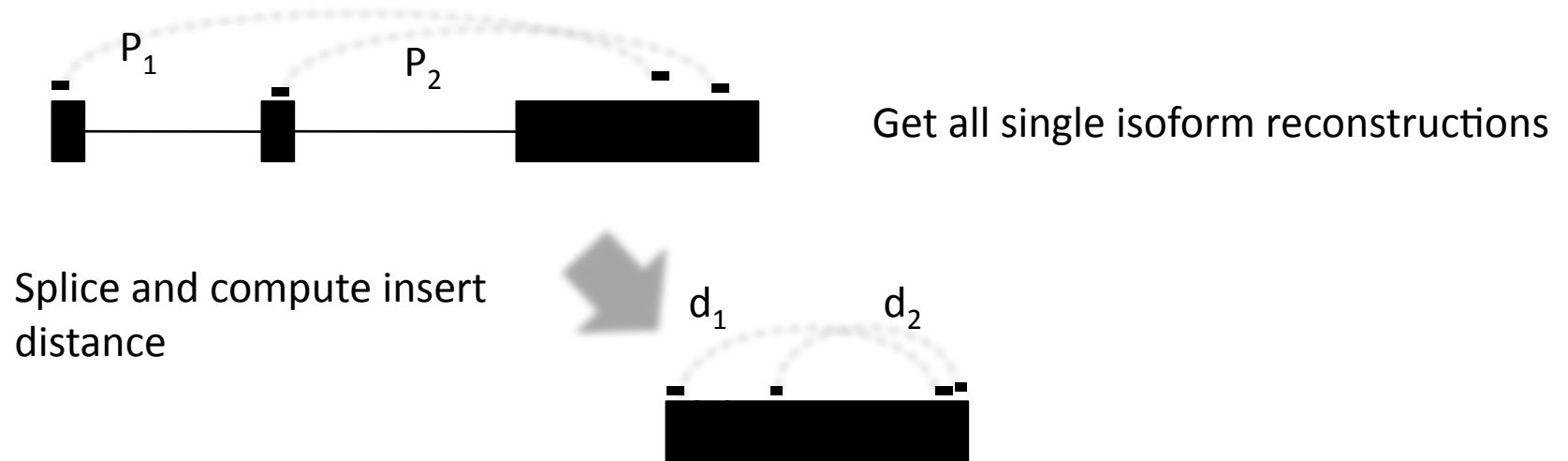
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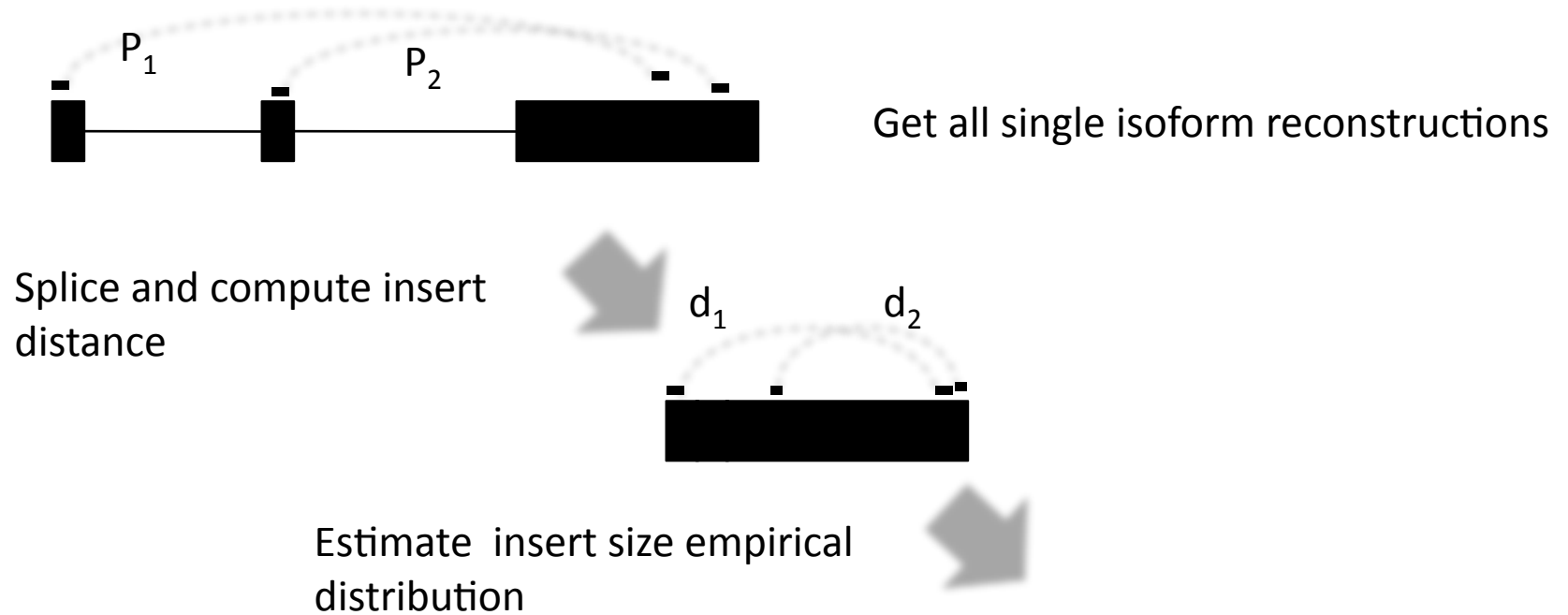


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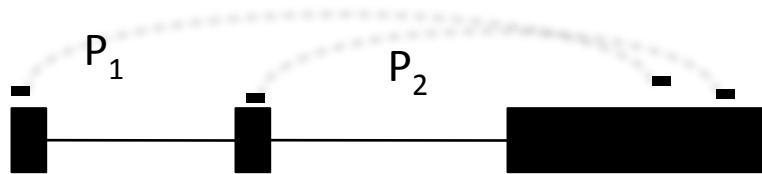
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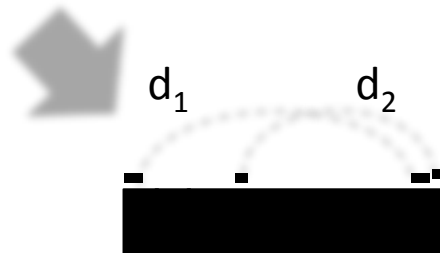


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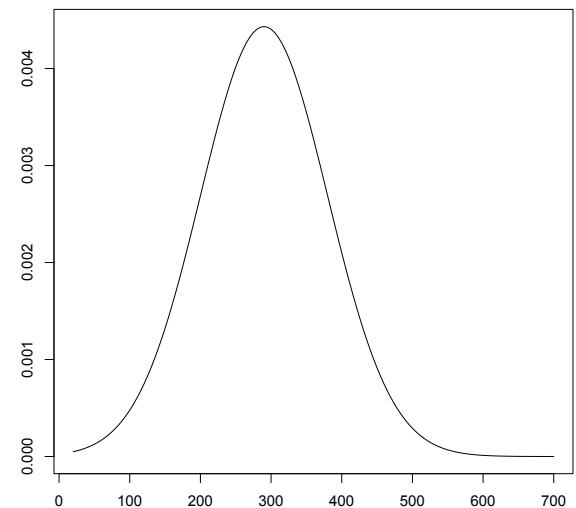


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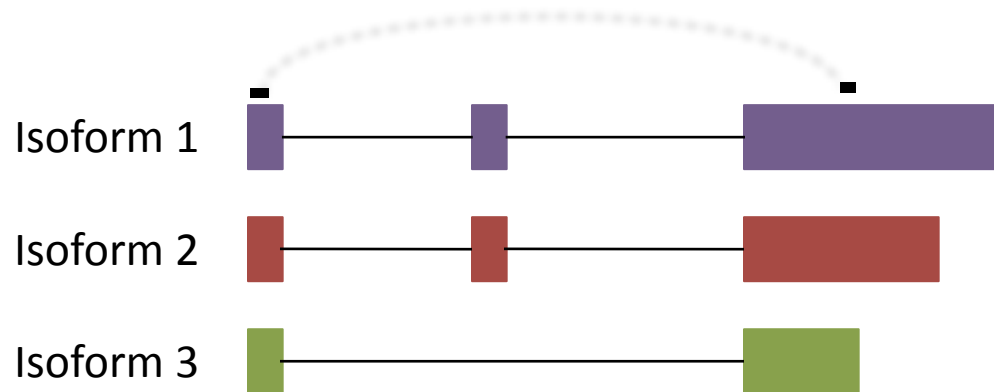
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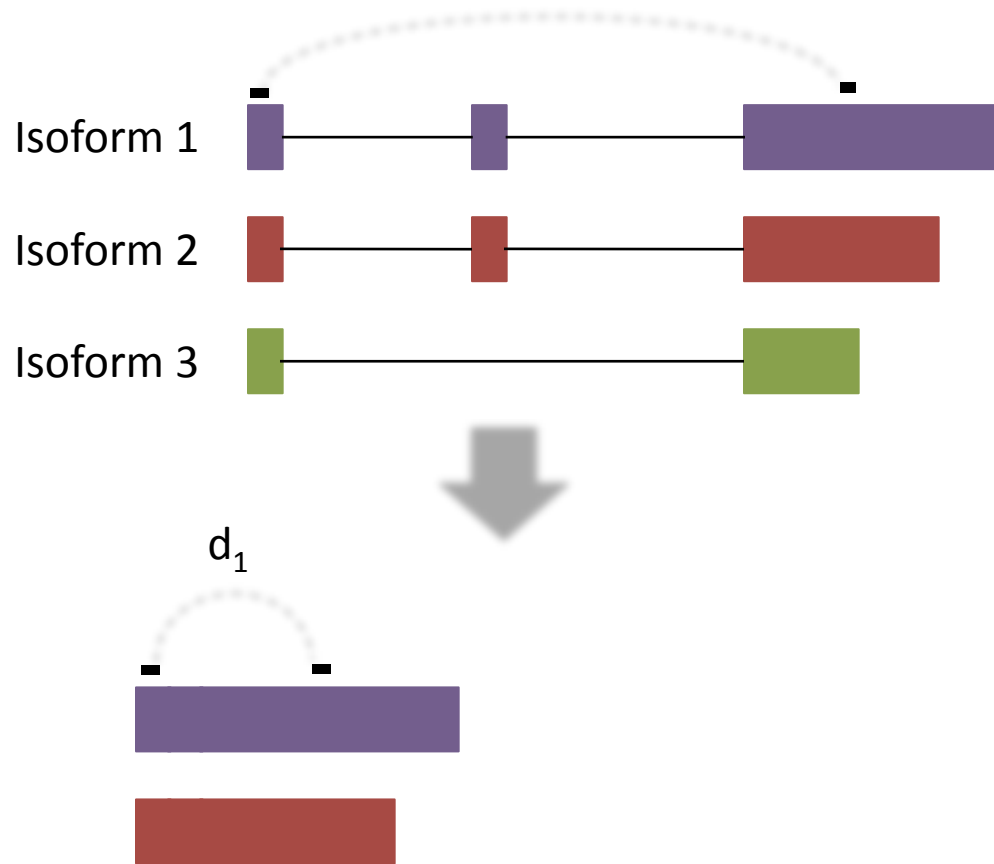
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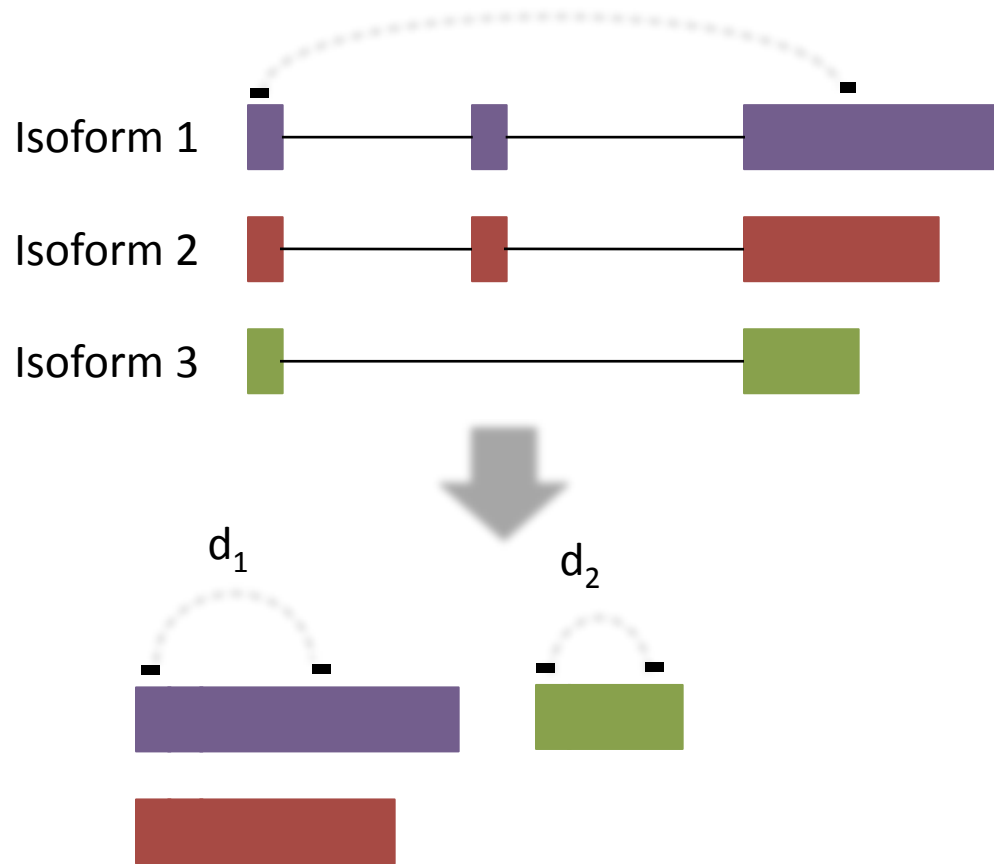
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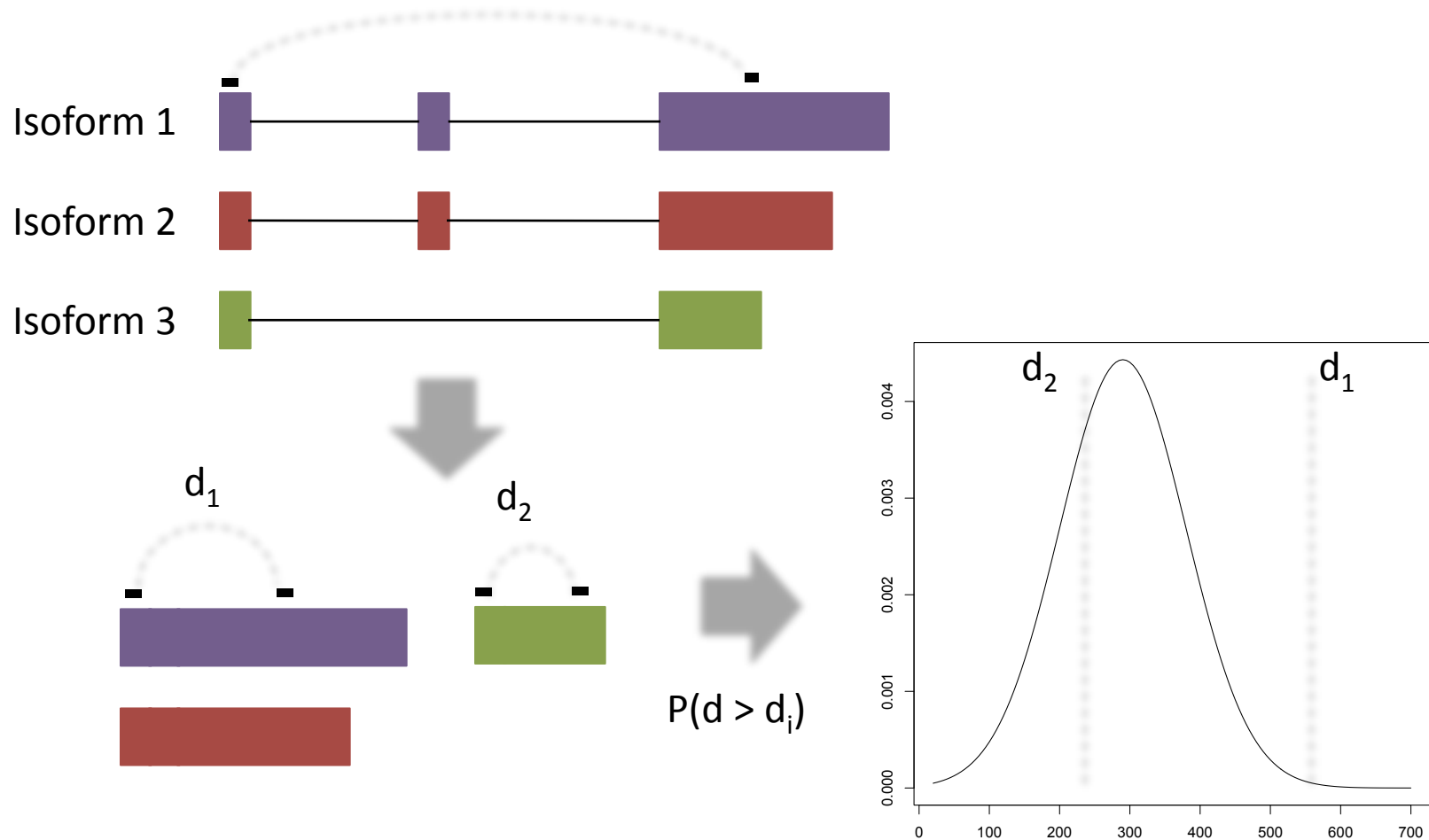
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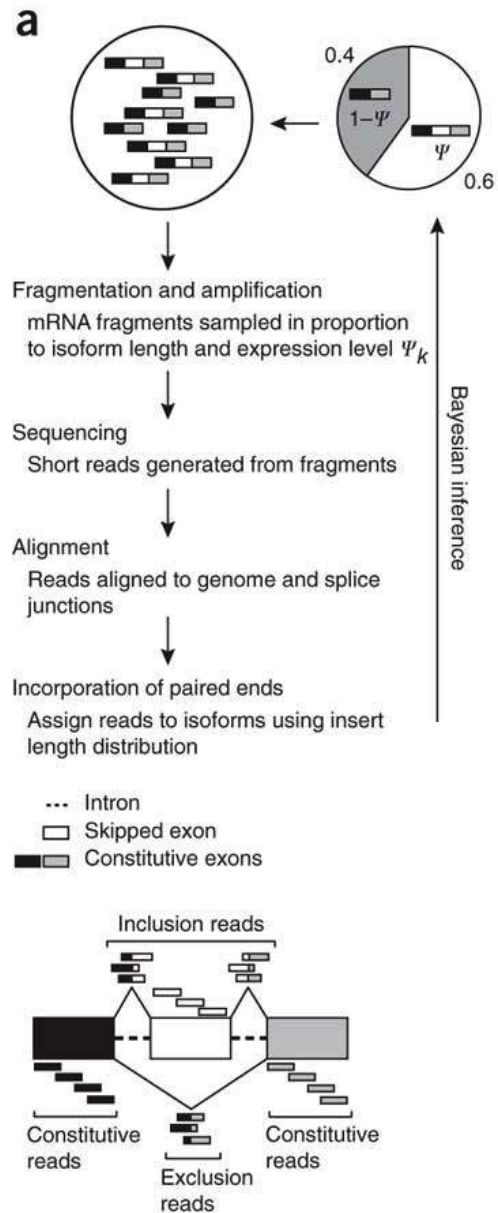
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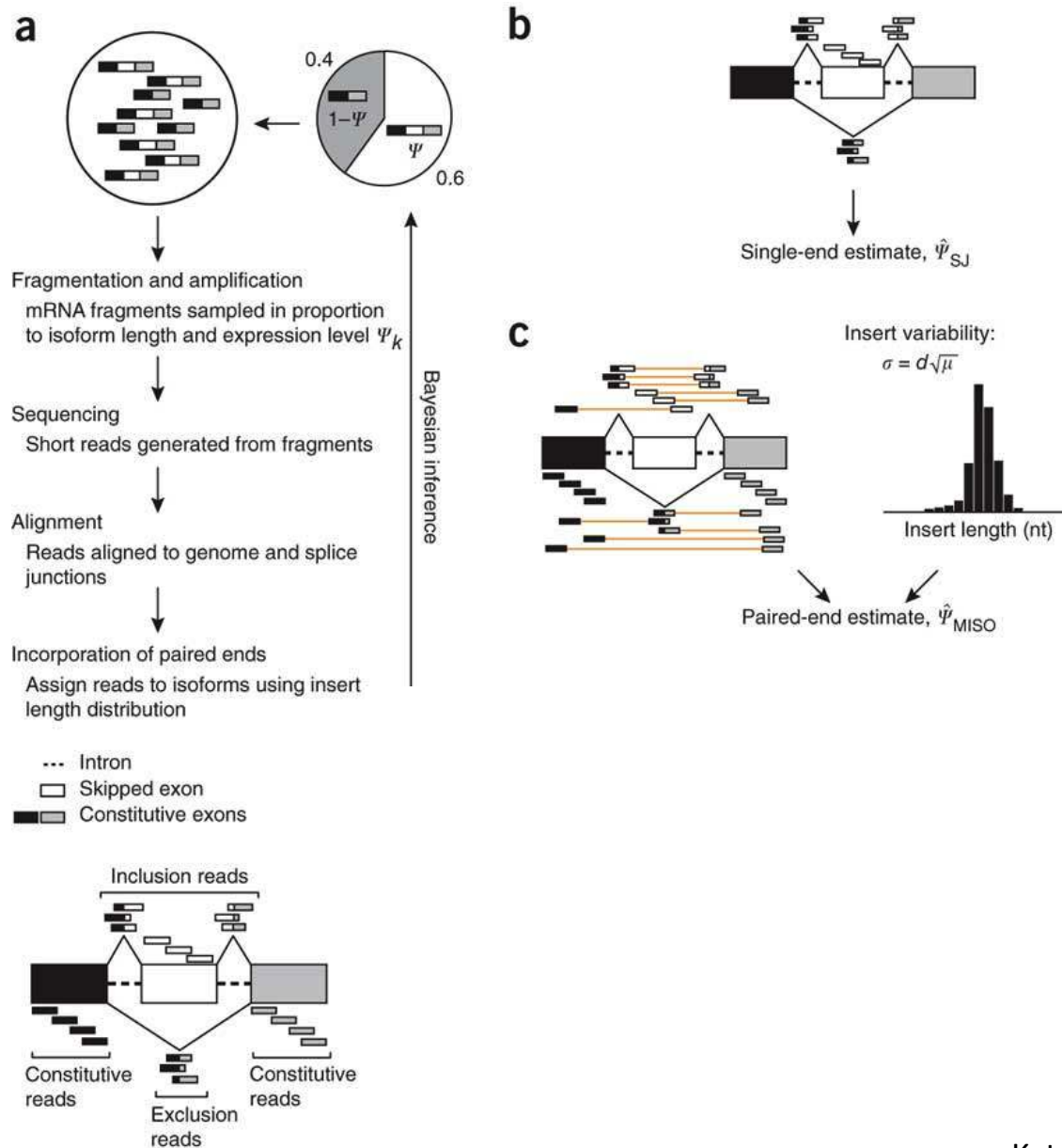
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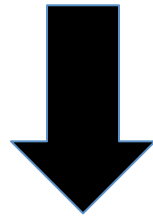
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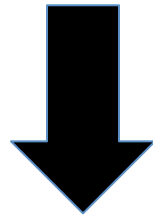
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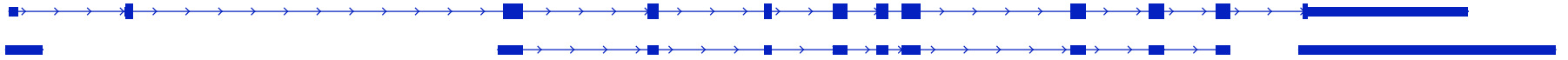
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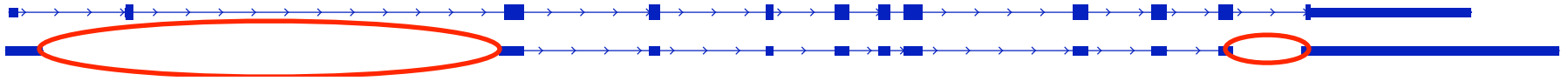
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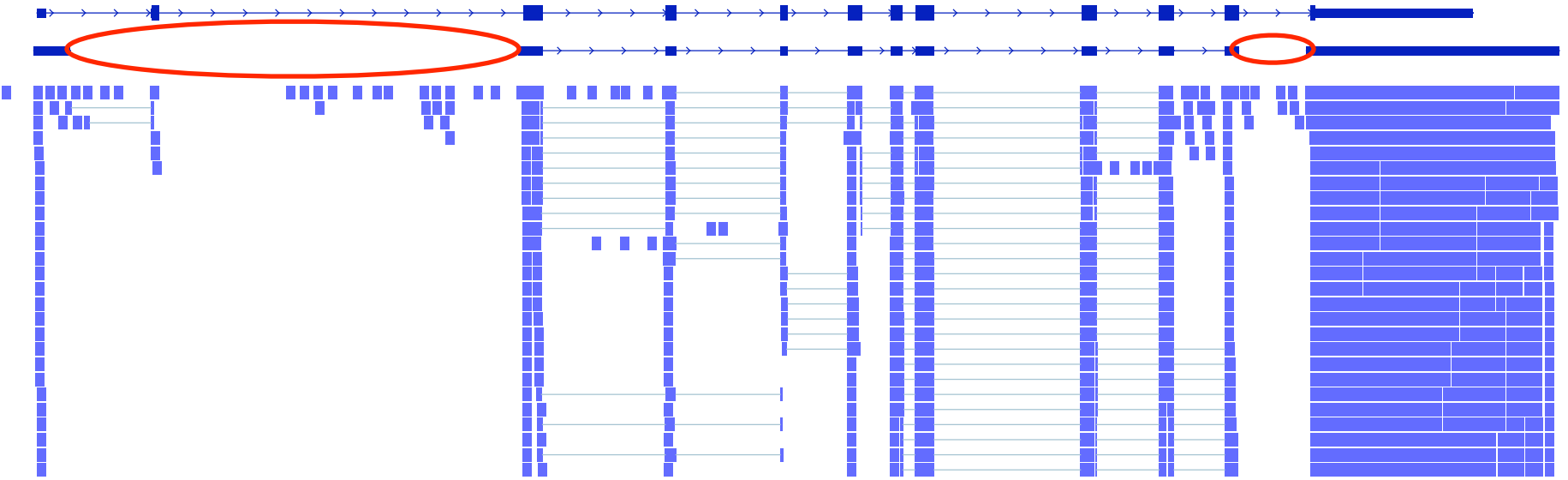
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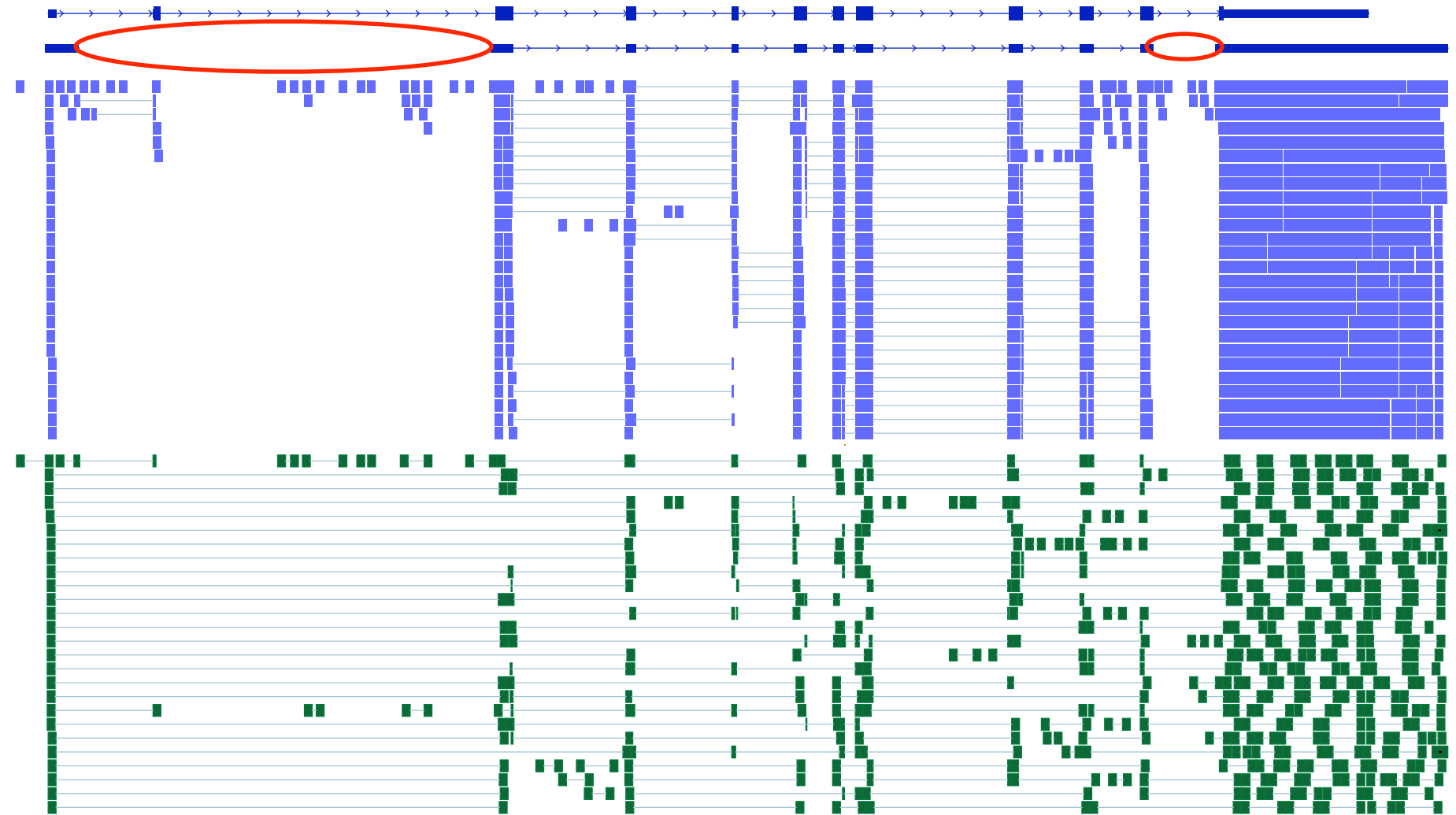
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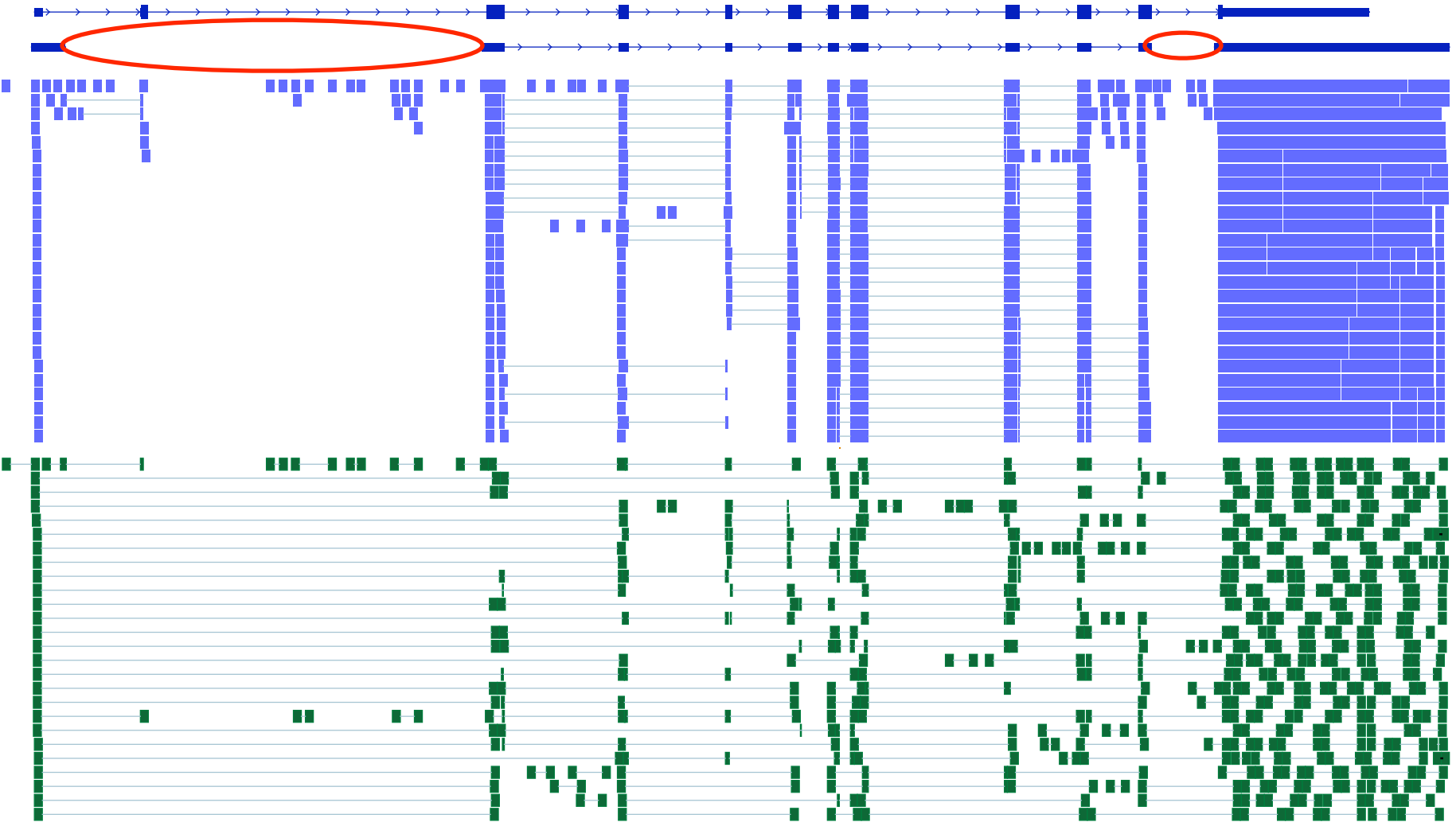
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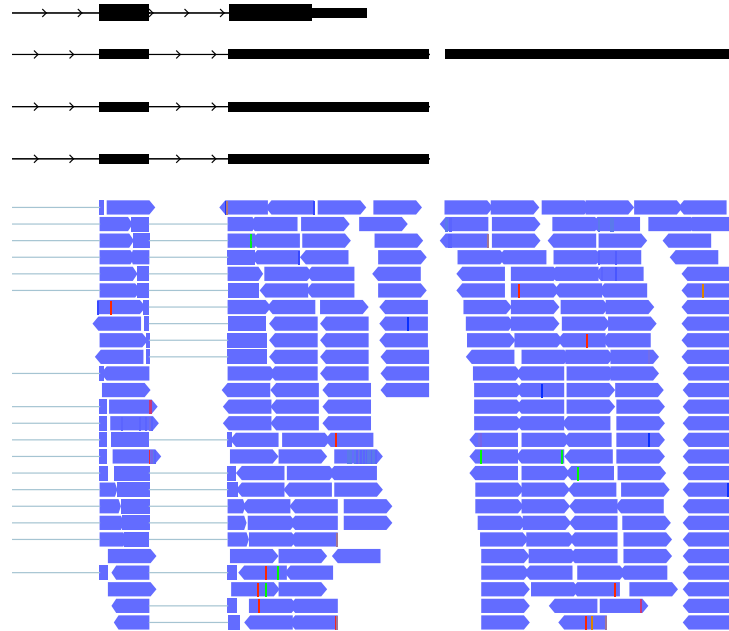


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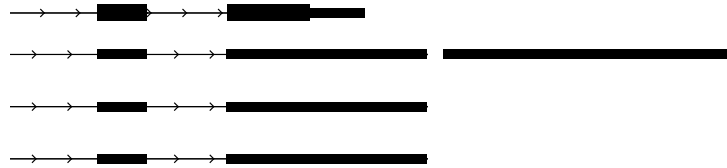
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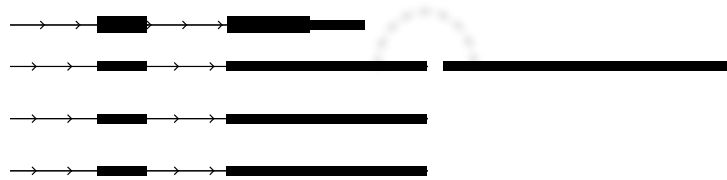
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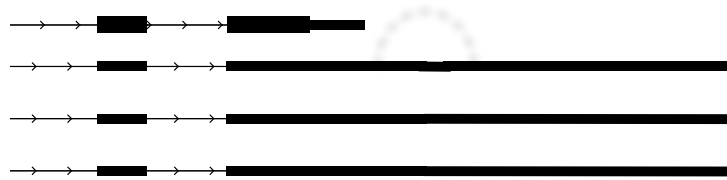
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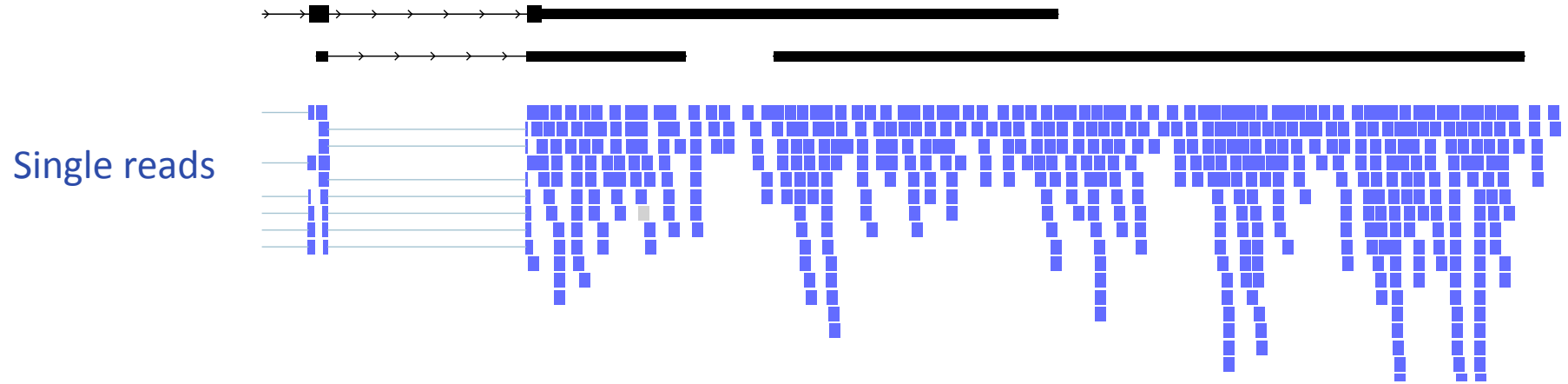
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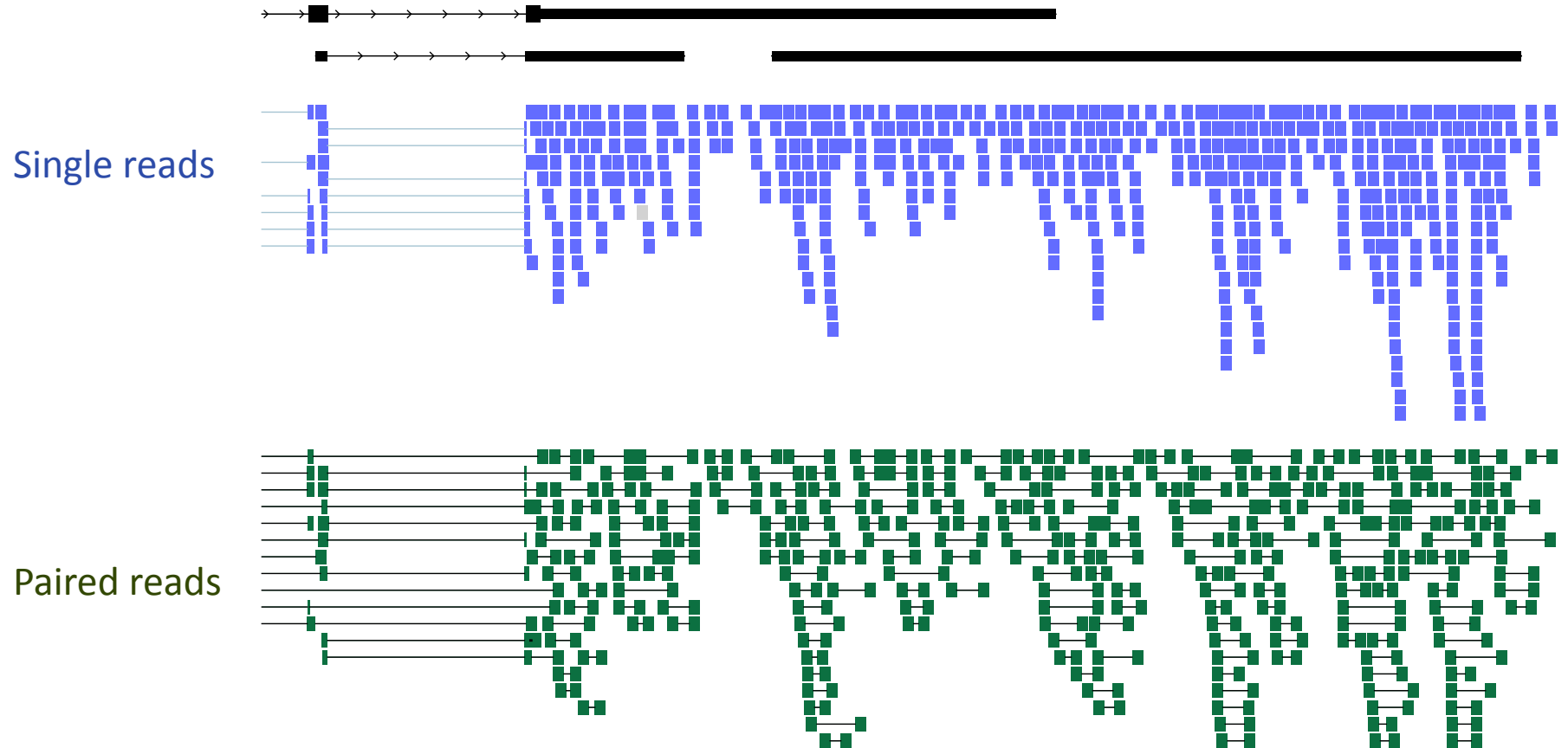
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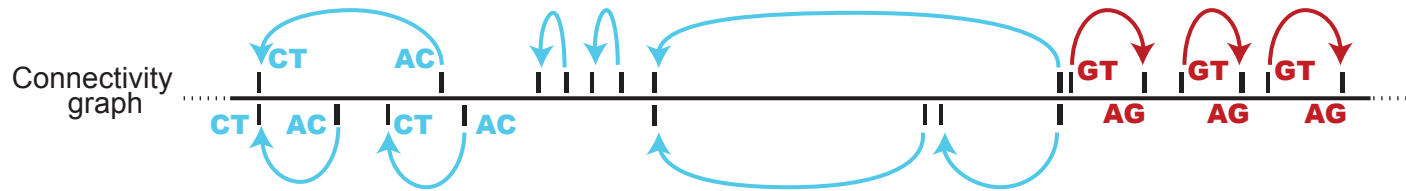
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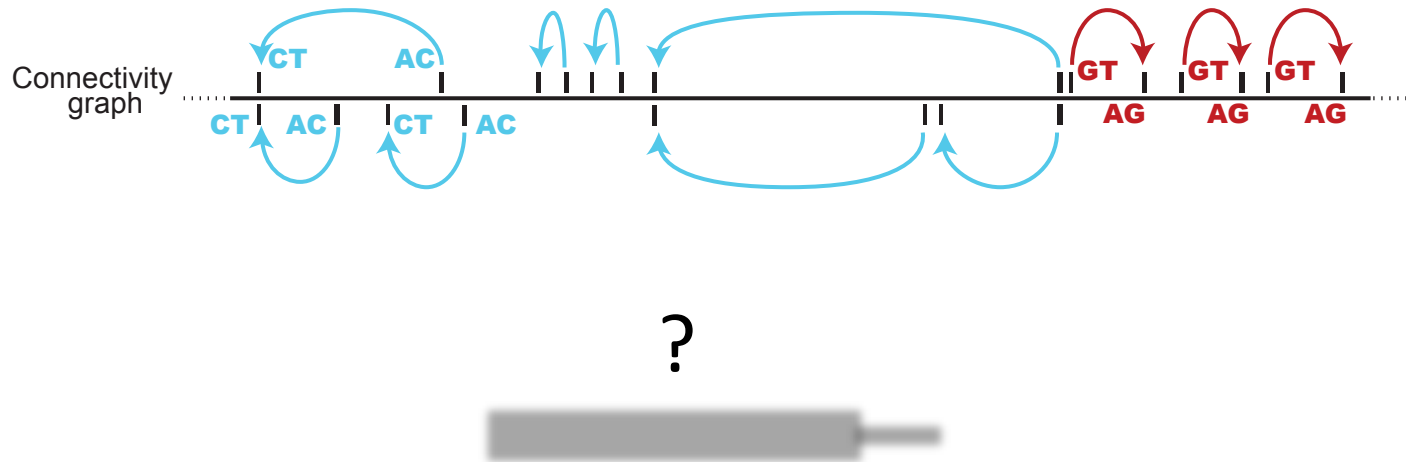
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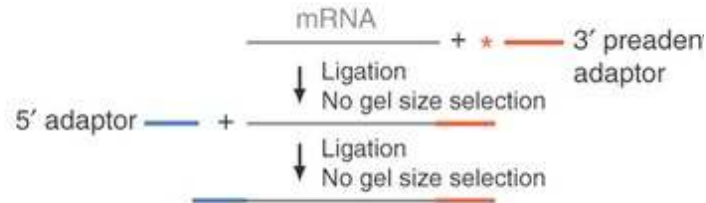


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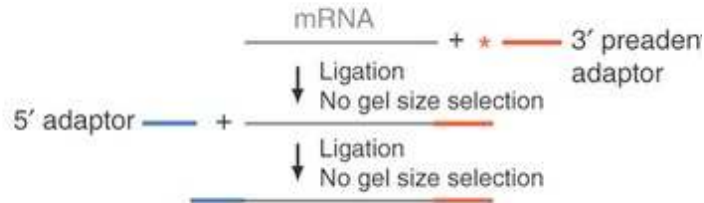
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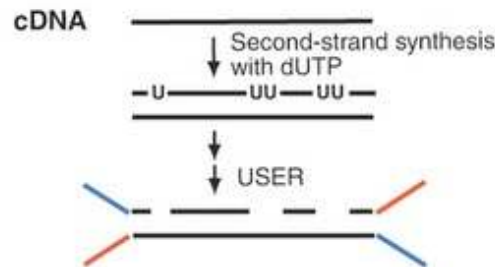
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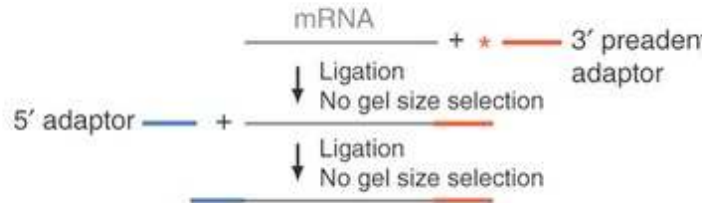
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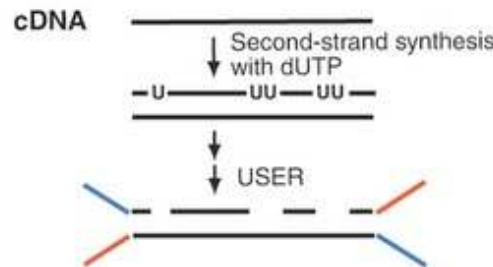
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Overview of the session

The 3 main computational challenges of sequence analysis for *counting applications*:

- Read mapping: Placing short reads in the genome
- Reconstruction: Finding the regions that originate the reads
- Quantification:
 - Assigning scores to regions
 - Finding regions that are differentially represented between two or more samples.

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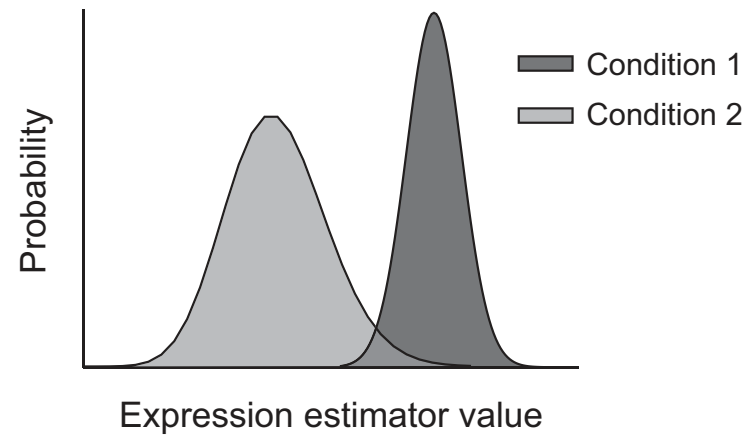
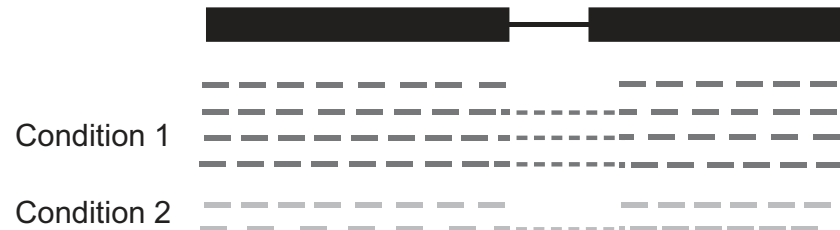
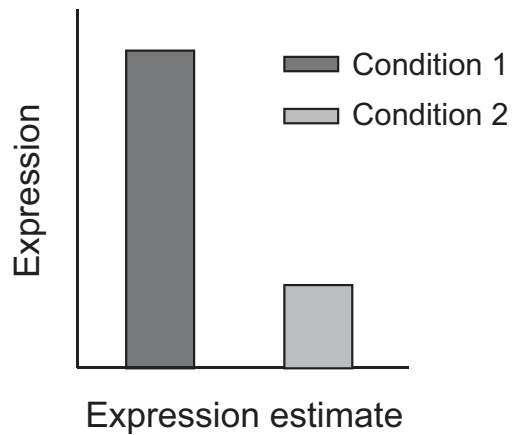
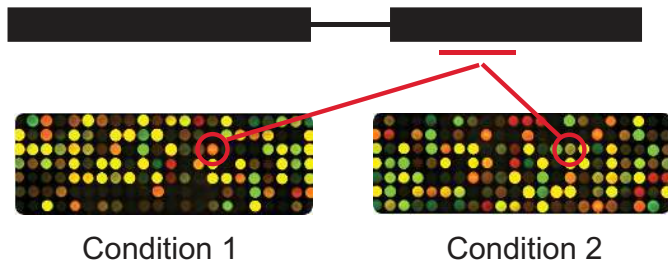
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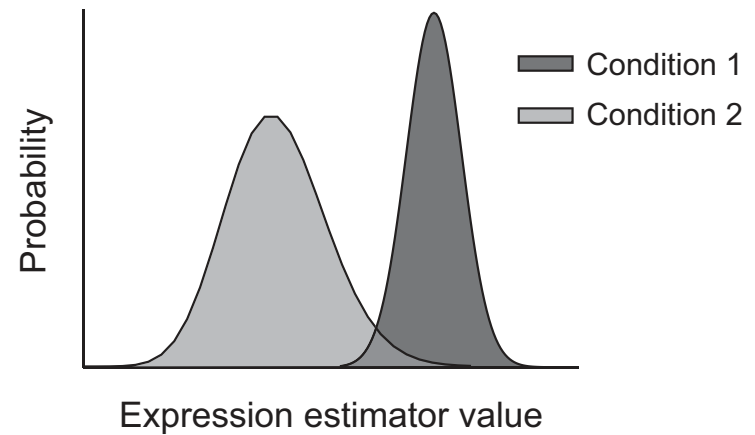
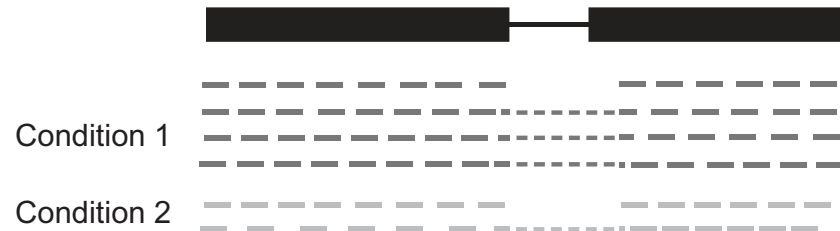
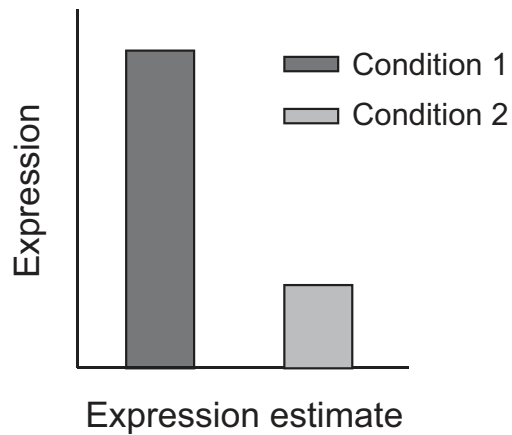
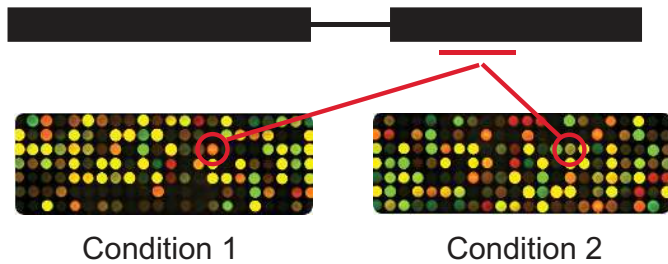
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Cufflinks differential isoform usage

Let a gene G have n isoforms and let $p_1, \dots, p_n$ the estimated fraction of expression of each isoform.

Call this a the isoform expression distribution P for G

Given two samples the differential isoform usage amounts to determine whether $H_0: P_1 = P_2$ or $H_1: P_1 \neq P_2$ are true.

To compare distributions Cufflinks utilizes an information content based metric of how different two distributions are called the Jensen-Shannon divergence:

$$JS(p^1, \dots, p^m) = H\left(\frac{p^1 + \dots + p^m}{m}\right) - \frac{\sum_{j=1}^m H(p^j)}{m}.$$

$$H(p) = - \sum_{i=1}^n p_i \log p_i.$$

The square root of the JS distributes normal.

RNA-Seq differential expression software

	Underlying model	Notes
DegSeq	Normal. Mean and variance estimated from replicates	Works directly from reference transcriptome and read alignment
EdgeR	Negative Binomial	Gene read counts table
DESeq	Poisson	Gene read counts table
Myrna	Empirical	Sequence reads and reference transcriptome

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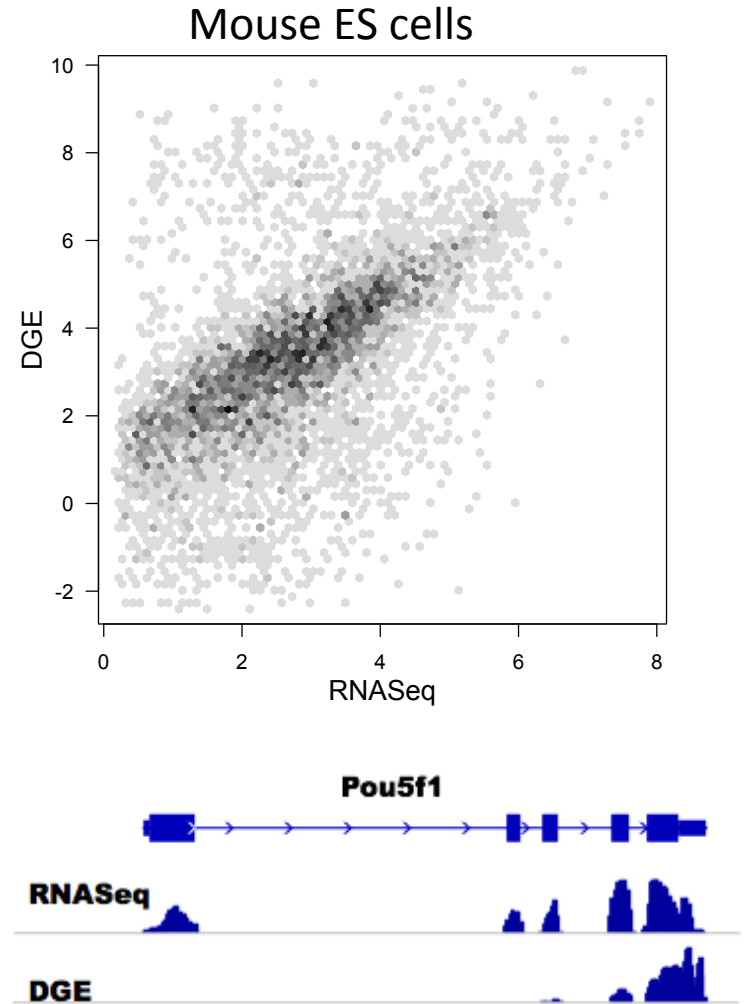
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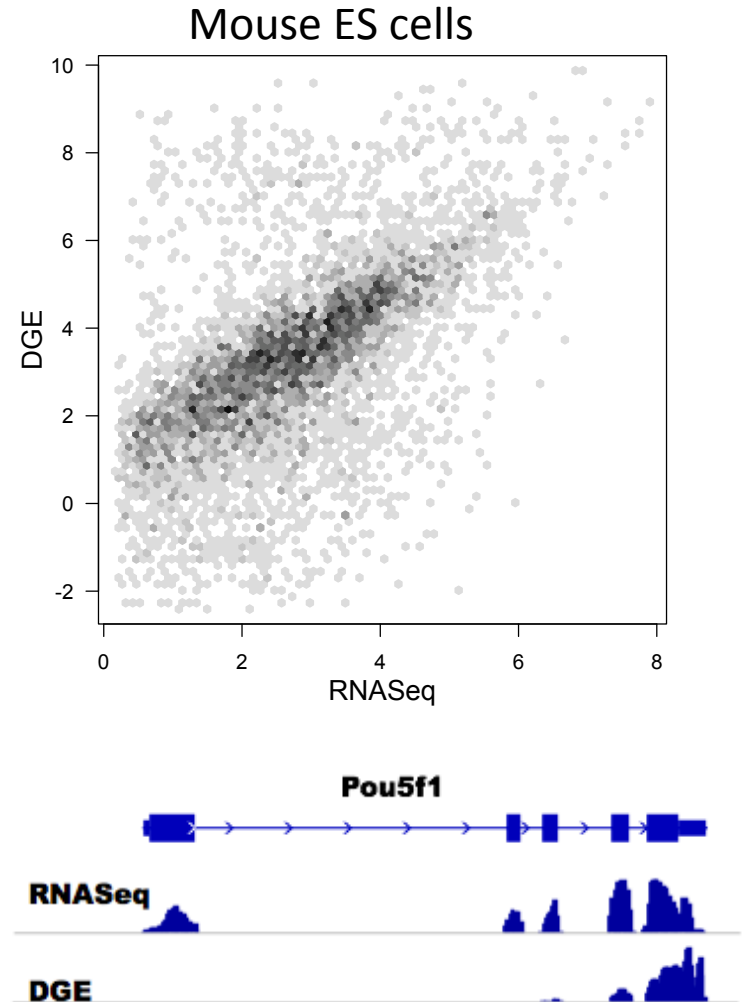
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