





Enabling reproducible research with Galaxy

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Discovery of human heteroplasmic sites enabled by an accessible interface to cloud-computing infrastructure

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I want you to remember
exactly four (4) things:

<http://usegalaxy.org>

<http://usegalaxy.org/galaxy101>

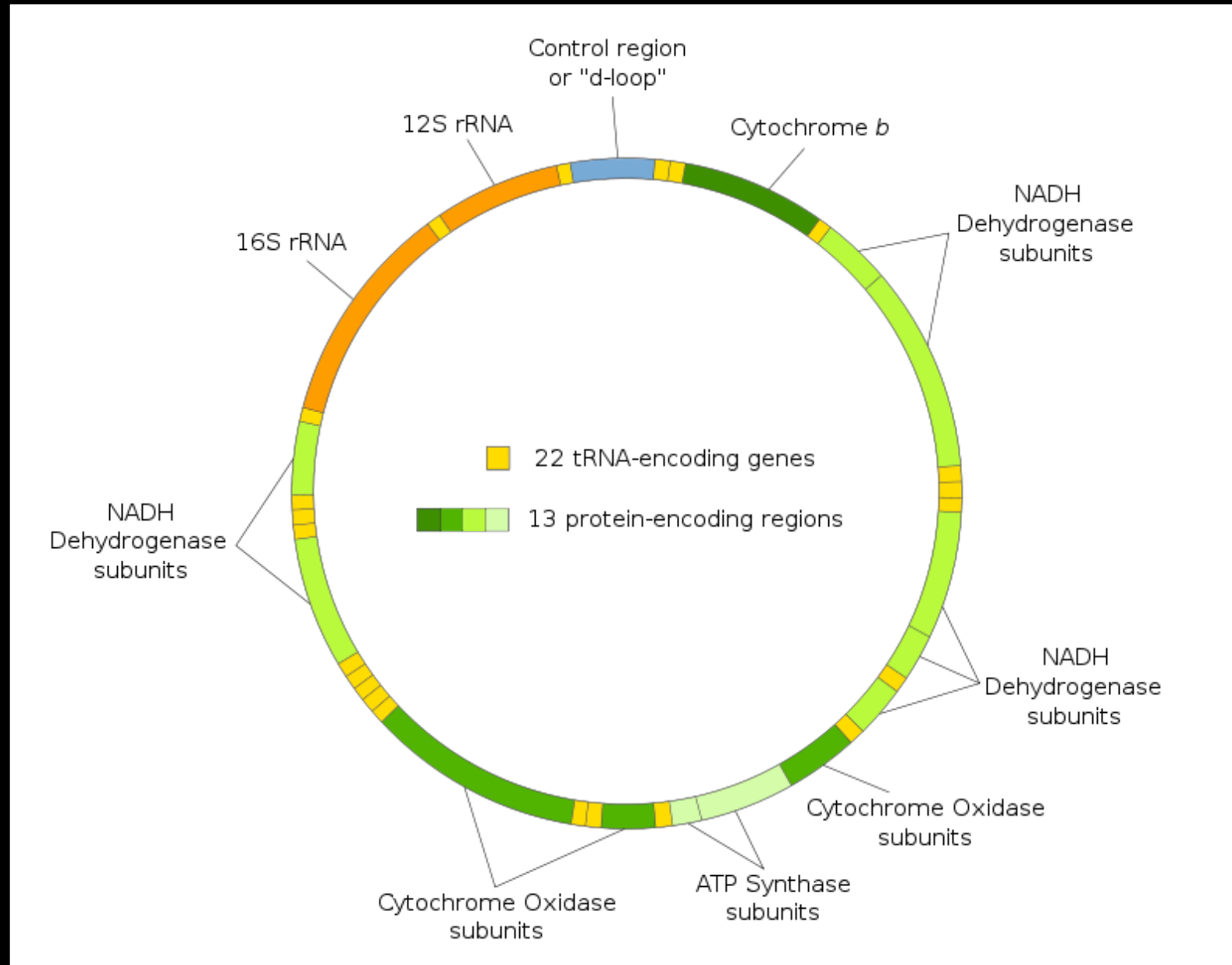
<http://usegalaxy.org/cloud>

<http://getgalaxy.org>

Setup: I will have three windows open

- This presentation
- A browser pointing to <http://usegalaxy.org>
- A browser pointing to a cloud instance

The human mitochondrial genome



Mitochondrial heteroplasmy

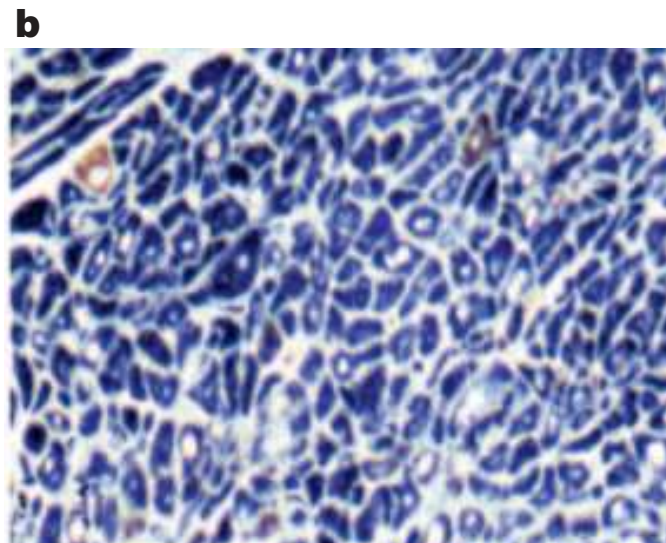
- Typical human cells have ~100s of mitochondria, each with ~10s of copies of the mitochondrial genome
- Heteroplasmy refers to variation among the mitochondrial genomes within a cell or individual

Heteroplasmy and disease

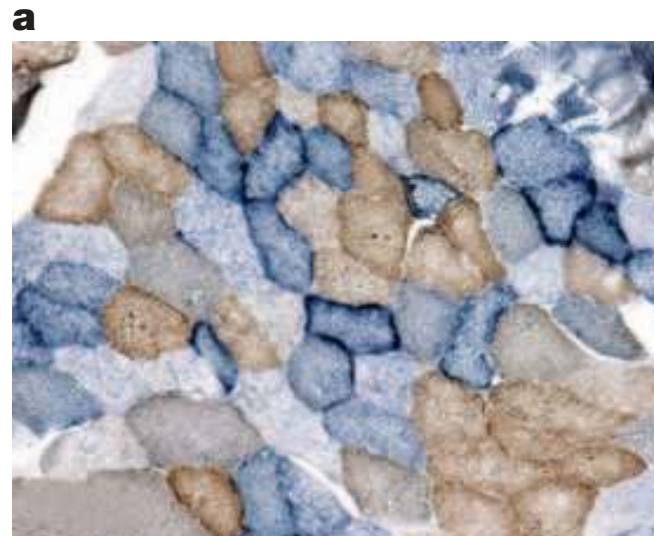
- Mitochondrial mutations are implicated in hundreds of diseases, including common metabolic and neurological disorders
- Many disease causing variants are heteroplasmic, and clinical manifestation depends on levels
 - “Threshold effect”

Brown = Cytochrome c oxidase positive, Blue = COX negative

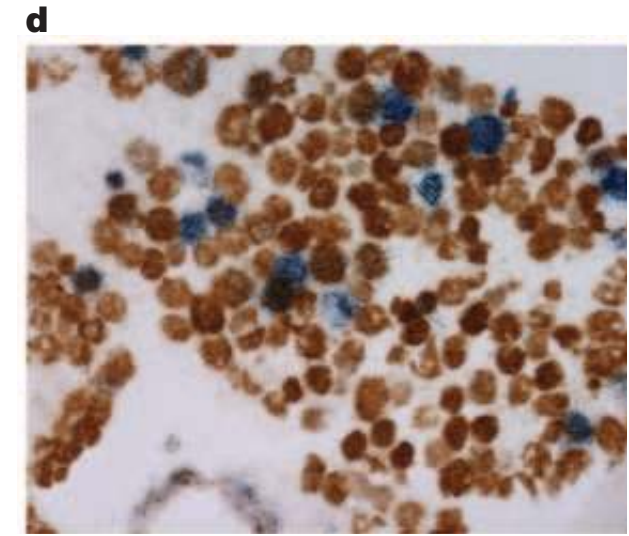
Homoplasmic tRNA mutation
(hypertrophic cardiomyopathy)



Heteroplasmic tRNA mutation
(skeletal muscle)

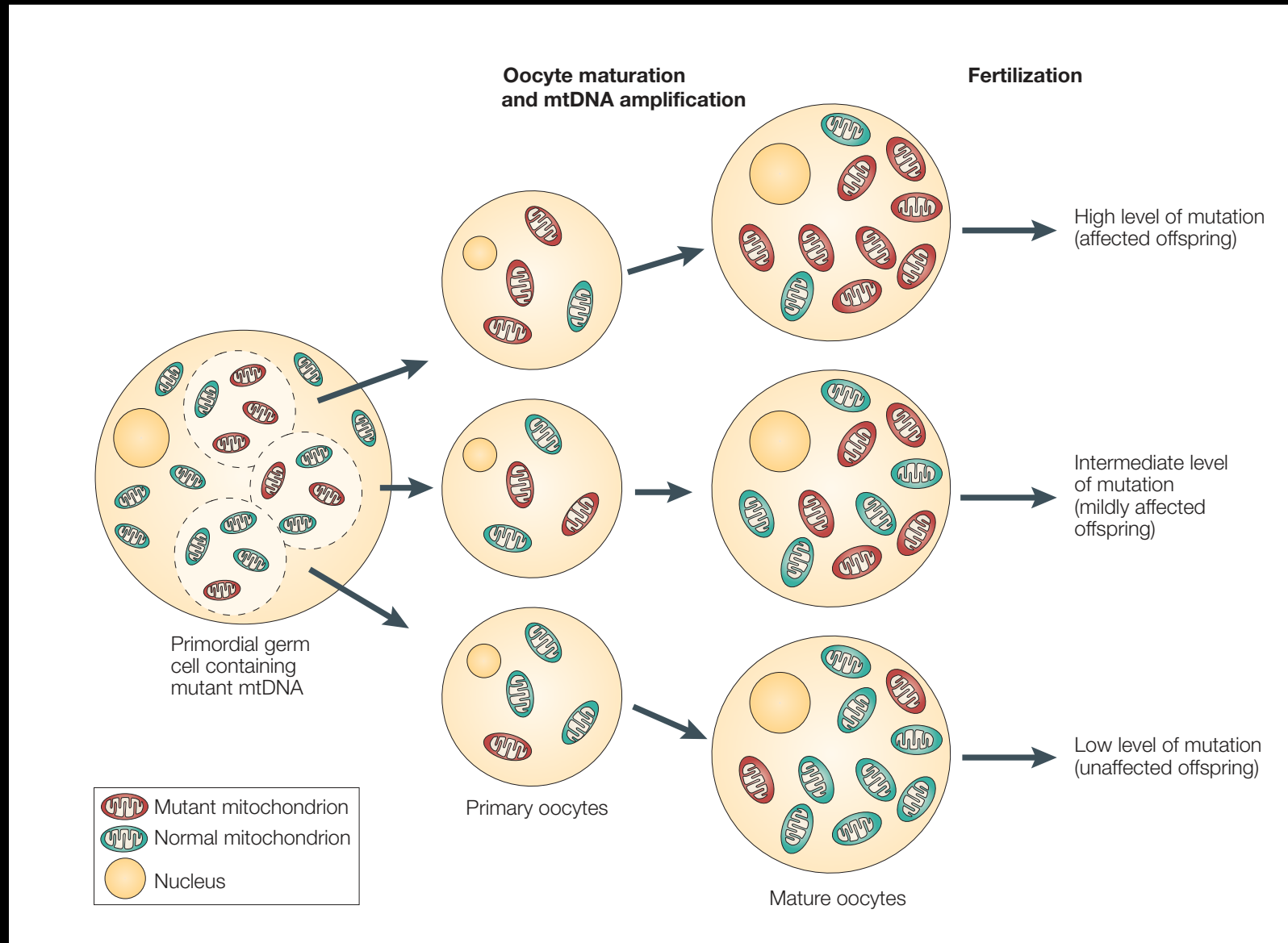


Expanding somatic mutation
(extraocular muscle)



(Taylor RW and Turnbull, Nature Reviews genetics, 2005)

mtDNA bottleneck during oogenesis



(Taylor RW and Turnbull, Nature Reviews genetics, 2005)

Mitochondrial genome

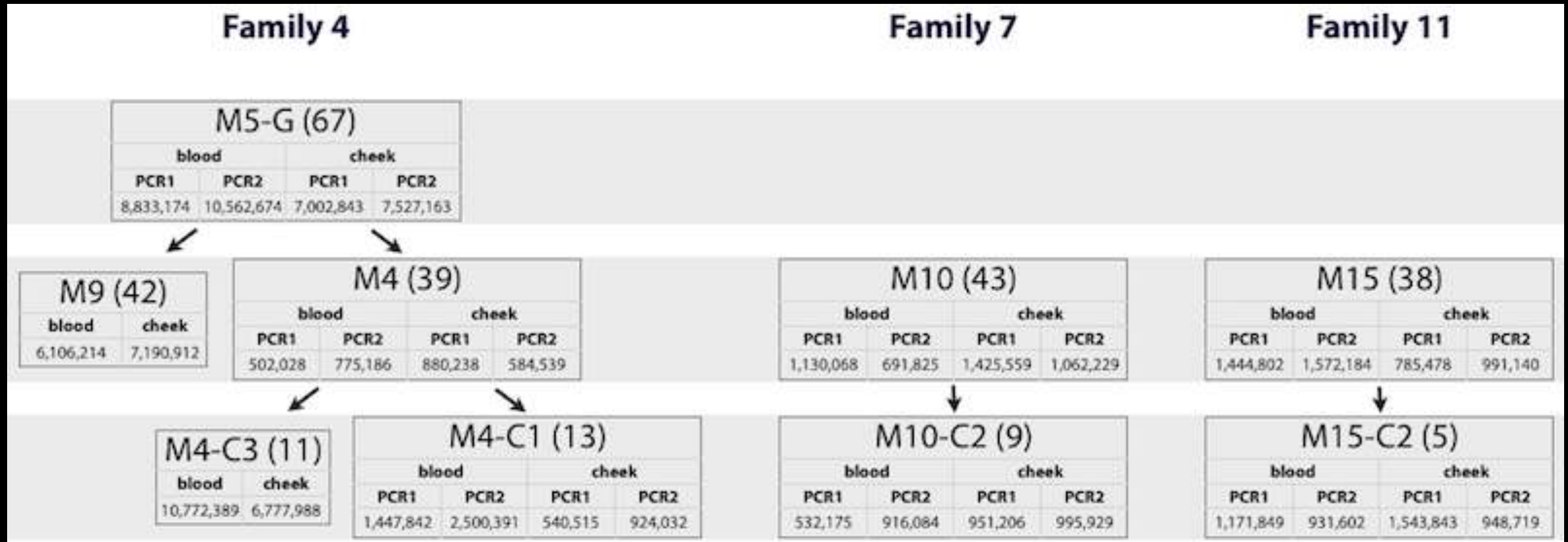
- Multiple genome copies per mitochondria, multiple mitochondria per cell
- Variation exists between genome copies in a cell or individual (heteroplasmy)
- Levels of heteroplasmy can change by sampling in cell division
- Bottleneck in oogenesis can greatly increase these changes in the germline

Measuring frequencies and transmissions of heteroplasmy with deep resequencing

Goals of this study

- Be able to *reliably* identify heteroplasmic sites that occur at very low frequencies ($\ll 10\%$)
- Be able to distinguish somatic mutations from germline mutations

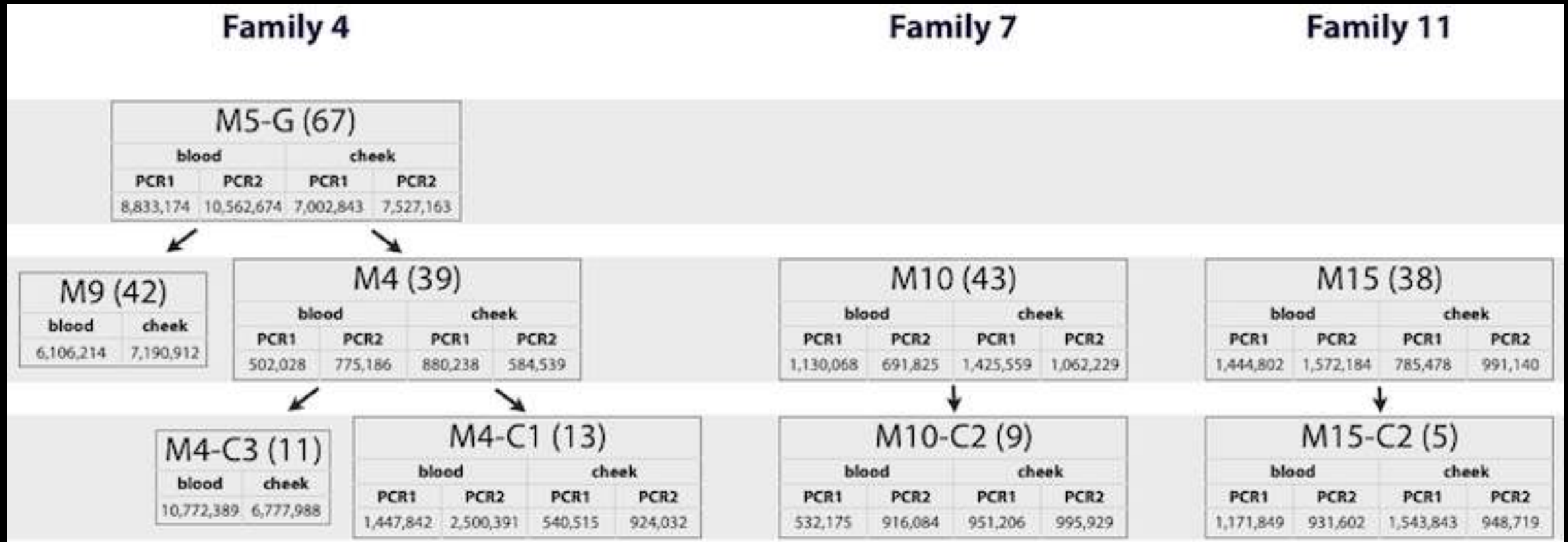
Pilot study: Nine individuals from three families



Strategy

- For each individual, samples taken from two tissues (cheek and blood)
- mtDNA selectively PCR amplified: two independent amplifications for each individual / tissue pair
- High-throughput sequencing using the Illumina platform

Pilot study: Nine individuals from three families



28 Illumina datasets, some multiplexed, 50 or 76bp reads, Performed by Sequensys

Producing the sequence was easy enough...

Now what?

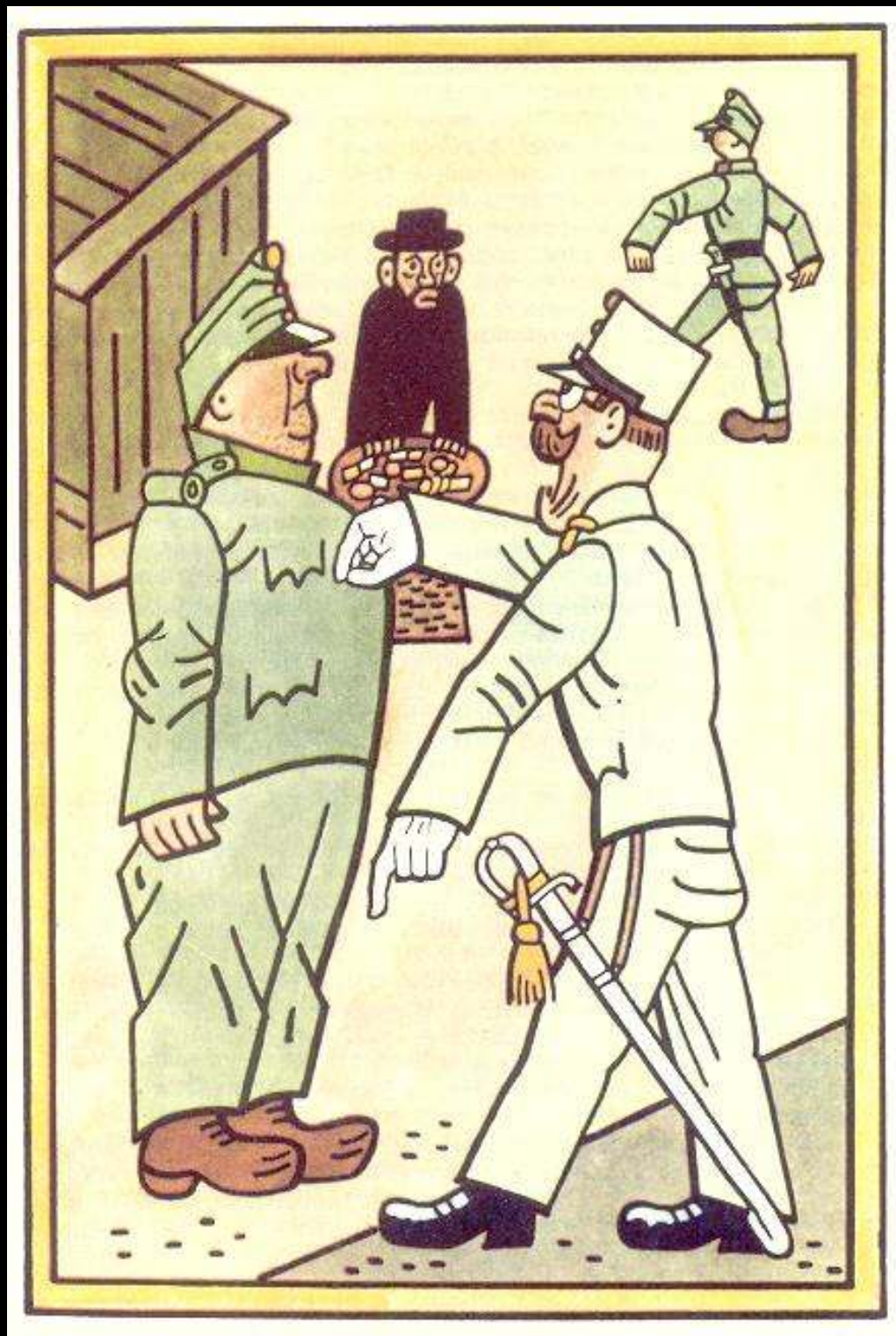
As science becomes increasingly dependent on computation:

- How can methods best be made **accessible** to scientists?
- How to facilitate **transparent** communication of analyses?
- How best to ensure that analyses are **reproducible**?

A crisis in genomics research: **reproducibility**

Key Reproducibility Problems

- **Datasets:** not all available, difficult to access
- **Tools:** inaccessible, hard to record details
- **Publication:** results, data, methods separate



Microarray Experiment Reproducibility

- 18 Nat. Genetics microarray gene expression experiments
- Less than 50% reproducible
- Problems
 - missing data (38%)
 - missing software, hardware details (50%)
 - missing method, processing details (66%)

Ioannidis, J.P.A. et al. Repeatability of published microarray gene expression analyses. Nat Genet 41, 149-155 (2009)

NGS Re-sequencing Experiment Reproducibility

- 14 re-sequencing experiments in Nat. Genetics, Nature, and Science (2010)
- 0% reproducible?
- Problems
 - limited access to primary data (50%)
 - some or all tools unavailable (50%)
 - settings & versions not provided (100%)

Galaxy: accessible analysis system

The screenshot displays the Galaxy web interface in a browser window. The address bar shows the URL <http://main.g2.bx.psu.edu/>. The top navigation bar includes links for **Analyze Data**, **Workflow**, **Data Libraries**, **Admin**, **Help**, and **User**.

Left Panel (Tools): A list of available tools categorized into sections like **Get Data**, **Send Data**, **ENCODE Tools**, **Lift-Over**, **Text Manipulation**, **Convert Formats**, **FASTA manipulation**, **Filter and Sort**, **Join, Subtract and Group**, **Extract Features**, **Fetch Sequences**, **Fetch Alignments**, **Get Genomic Scores**, **Operate on Genomic Intervals**, **Statistics**, **Graph/Display Data**, **Regional Variation**, **Multiple regression**, **Multivariate Analysis**, **Evolution**, **Metagenomic analyses**, **EMBOSS**, **NGS TOOLBOX BETA**, **NGS: QC and manipulation**, **NGS: Mapping**, **NGS: SAM Tools**, **NGS: Peak Calling**, **RGENETICS**, **SNP/WGA: Data; Filters**, and **SNP/WGA: QC; LD; Plots**.

Center Panel: A large box titled "Here is what's happening..." contains the text "Mapping Pipeline for Illumina, 454, and SOLiD" with a "USE IT NOW!" button. Below this, a section titled "Live Quickies (more after May 17 ...)" shows three cards: "Basic fastQ manipulation: Galactic quickie # 13", "Advanced fastQ manipulation: Galactic quickie # 14", and "454 Mapping: Single End: Galactic quickie # 15". At the bottom, text states: "The Galaxy team is a part of BX at Penn State. This project is supported in part by NSF, NHGRI, The Huck Institutes of the Life Sciences, and The Institute for CyberScience at Penn State. Galaxy build: \$Rev 3885:1ab9d6b0ddfc\$".

Right Panel (History): A list of workflow steps, each with an eye icon, a number, and a delete icon. The steps are: "Imported: metagenomic analysis", "16: Draw phylogeny on data 14", "15: Summarize taxonomy on data 13", "14: Find lowest diagnostic rank on data 13", "13: Fetch taxonomic representation on data 12", "12: Filter on data 11", "11: Join two Queries on data 9 and data 10", "10: Concatenate queries on data 8 and data 7", "9: Compute sequence length on data 6", "8: Megablast on data 6", "7: Megablast on data 6", "6: Tabular-to-FASTA on data 5", "5: Add column on data 4", and "4: FASTA-to-Tabular on data 4".

Integrating existing tools into a uniform framework

The image shows a Galaxy tool interface for a tool named 'Cluster'. On the left, a portion of the tool's XML definition is visible, showing parameters like 'interval', 'distance', 'minregions', and 'returntype'. The main part of the interface is a form titled 'Cluster' with the following fields:

- Cluster intervals of:** A dropdown menu with '1: UCSC Main on Huma...ne (genome)' selected.
- max distance between intervals:** A text input field containing '1' with '(bp)' below it.
- min number of intervals per cluster:** A text input field containing '2'.
- Return type:** A dropdown menu with 'Merge clusters into single intervals' selected.
- Execute** button.

Below the form, there is a **TIP** icon and text: 'TIP: If your query does not appear in the pulldown menu, it means that it is not in interval format. Use "edit attributes" to set chromosome, start, end, and strand columns.' Below this is a **Screenshots!** section with a link to 'See Galaxy Interval Operation Screenshots' and a **Syntax** section with a bullet point: 'Maximum distance is greatest distance in base pairs allowed between intervals that will be'.

- Defined in terms of an abstract interface (inputs and outputs)
- In practice, mostly command line tools, a declarative XML description of the interface, how to generate a command line
- Designed to be as easy as possible for tool authors, while still allowing rigorous reasoning

Galaxy analysis interface

The screenshot displays the Galaxy web interface at <http://main.g2.bx.psu.edu/>. The interface is divided into several sections:

- Tools:** A sidebar on the left lists various tools such as Get Data, Send Data, ENCODE Tools, Lift-Over, Text Manipulation, Convert Formats, FASTA manipulation, Filter and Sort, Join, Subtract and Group, Extract Features, Fetch Sequences, Fetch Alignments, Get Genomic Scores, Operate on Genomic Intervals, Statistics, Graph/Display Data, Regional Variation, Multiple regression, Multivariate Analysis, Evolution, Metagenomic analyses, and EMBOSS.
- Megablast Tool:** The main panel shows the configuration for the Megablast tool. It includes options to compare sequences (1: 454 reads), select a target database (nt 01 Dec 2009), set word size (28), report hits above an identity of 80.0, set an expectation value cutoff of 0.0001, and filter out low complexity regions (Yes). An "Execute" button is at the bottom.
- History:** A panel on the right shows a list of previous analyses. The top entry is "data 9 and data 10". Below it, a table shows the results of a Megablast search:

1	2	3	4
TripA-5	67624842	1348	92.98
TripA-10	206564770	5641239	99.55
TripA-10	150953431	5315120	92.31
TripA-16	206564770	5641239	100.00
TripA-16	150953431	5315120	97.26
TripA-19	116096021	2038396	92.16

The history panel also shows the command used for the Megablast search: `megablast -d /depot/data2/galaxy/blastdb/nt.nt.c -i /var/opt/galaxy/main/database/files -o /tmp/tmpyujsgy -m 8 -a 8 -W 28 -p 80.0 -e 0.0001 -F T > /dev/null 2>&1`.

- Consistent tool user interfaces automatically generated
- History system facilitates and tracks multistep analyses
- Exact parameters of a step can always be inspected, and easily rerun

Automatically tracks every step of every analysis

7: Map with Bowtie for Illumina on data 6 and data 5   

9,073,928 lines, format: sam,
database: mm9
Run this job again

1. QNAME	2. FLAG	3. R
HWI-EAS269:3:1:1449:913	99	chr
HWI-EAS269:3:1:1449:913	147	chr
HWI-EAS269:3:1:709:832	99	chr
HWI-EAS269:3:1:709:832	147	chr
HWI-EAS269:3:1:1422:1087	99	chr
HWI-EAS269:3:1:1422:1087	147	chr



Map with Bowtie for Illumina

Will you select a reference genome from your history or use a built-in index?
 

Built-ins were indexed using default options

Select a reference genome:
 

If your genome of interest is not listed - contact Galaxy team

Is this library mate-paired?:
 

Forward FASTQ file:
 

Must have Sanger-scaled quality values with ASCII offset 33

Reverse FASTQ file:
 

Must have Sanger-scaled quality values with ASCII offset 33

Maximum insert size for valid paired-end alignments (-X):

The upstream/downstream mate orientation for valid paired-end alignment against the forward reference strand (--fr/--rf/--ff):
 

Bowtie settings to use:
 

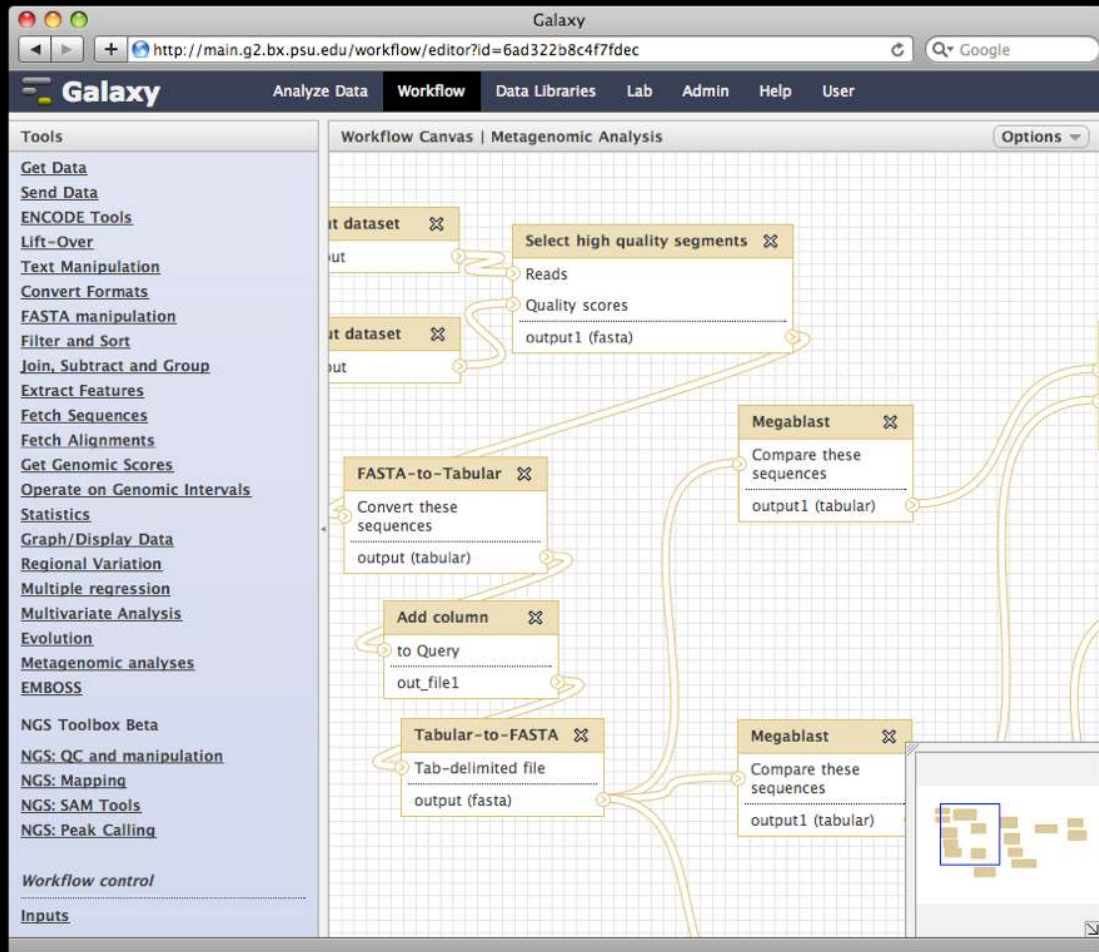
For most mapping needs use Commonly used settings. If you want full control use Full parameter list

Suppress the header in the output SAM file:
☒

Bowtie produces SAM with several lines of header information by default

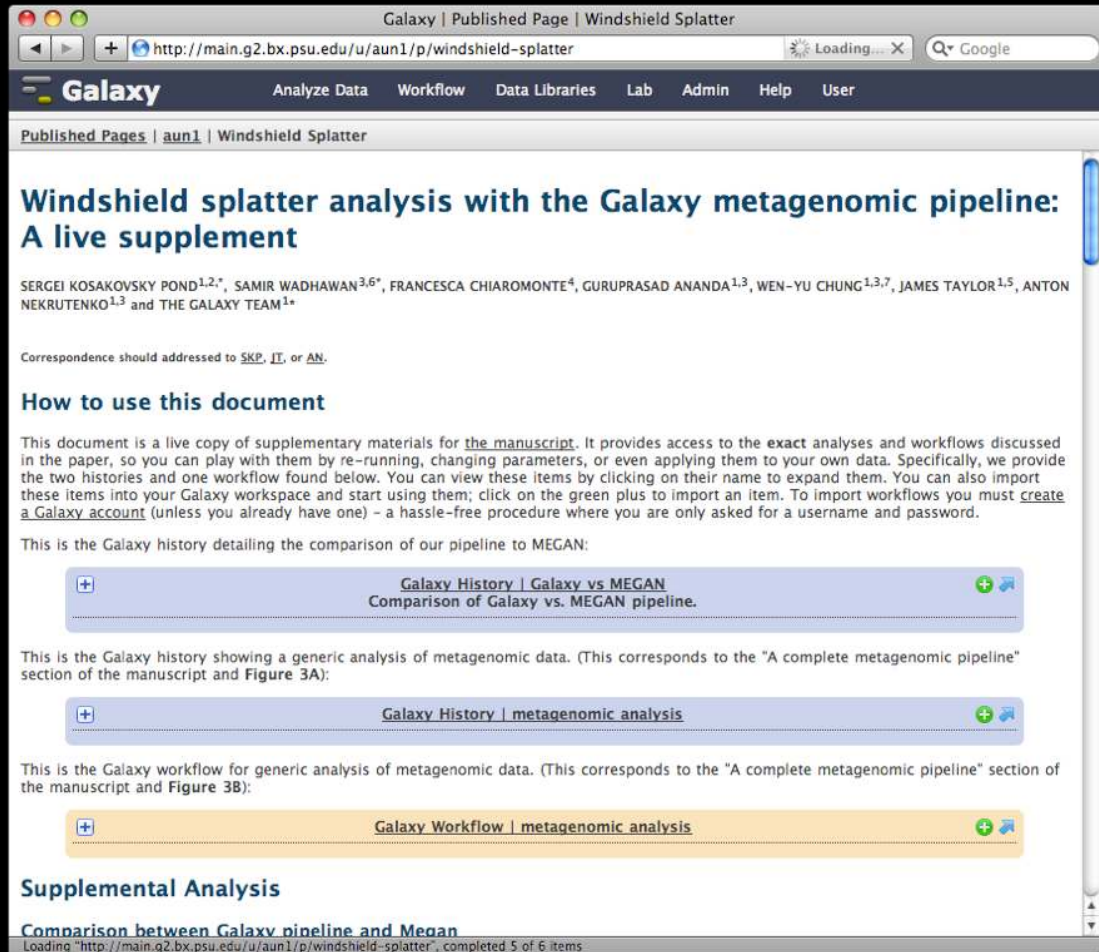
As well as user-generated metadata and annotation...

Galaxy workflow system



- Workflows can be constructed from scratch *or* extracted from existing analysis histories
- Facilitate reuse, as well as providing precise reproducibility of a complex analysis

Sharing and publishing



- All analysis components (datasets, histories, workflows) can be *shared* among Galaxy users and *published*
- Pages and annotation allow analysis to be augmented with textual content and provided in the form of an integrated document

Sharing and publishing

Galaxy | Published Page | Windshield Splatter

Published Pages | aun1 | Windshield Splatter

Windshield splatter analysis with the Galaxy metagenomic pipeline: A live supplement

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How to use this document

This document is a live copy of supplementary materials for the manuscript. It provides access to the exact analyses and workflows discussed in the paper, so you can play with them by re-running, changing parameters, or even applying them to your own data. Specifically, we provide the two histories and one workflow found below. You can view these items by clicking on their name to expand them. You can also import these items into your Galaxy workspace and start using them; click on the green plus to import an item. To import workflows you must create a Galaxy account (unless you already have one) – a hassle-free procedure where you are only asked for a username and password.

This is the Galaxy history detailing the comparison of our pipeline to MEGAN:

[Galaxy History | Galaxy vs MEGAN](#)
Comparison of Galaxy vs. MEGAN pipeline.

This is the Galaxy history showing a generic analysis of metagenomic data. (This corresponds to the "A complete metagenomic pipeline" section of the manuscript and Figure 3A):

[Galaxy History | metagenomic analysis](#)

This is the Galaxy workflow for generic analysis of metagenomic data. (This corresponds to the "A complete metagenomic pipeline" section of the manuscript and Figure 3B):

[Galaxy Workflow | metagenomic analysis](#)

Supplemental Analysis

Comparison between Galaxy pipeline and Megan

Loading "http://main.g2.bx.psu.edu/u/aun1/p/windshield-splatter", completed 5 of 6 items

Galaxy

Analyze Data Workflow Data Libraries Lab Admin Help User

Tools

- Get Data
- Send Data
- ENCODE Tools
- Lift-Over
- Text Manipulation
- Convert Formats
- FASTA manipulation
- Filter and Sort
- Join, Subtract and Group
- Extract Features
- Fetch Sequences
- Fetch Alignments
- Get Genomic Scores

History

imported: metagenomic analysis

16: Draw phylogeny on data 14
6.1 Kb, format: pdf, database: ?
Info:
Image in pdf format

15: Summarize taxonomy on data 13

Galaxy

Analyze Data Workflow Data Libraries Lab Admin Help User

Workflow Canvas | Metagenomic Analysis

Tools

- Get Data
- Send Data
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Workflow Canvas | Metagenomic Analysis

input dataset

output

input dataset

output

Select high quality segments

Reads

Quality scores

output1 (fasta)

FASTA-to-Tabular

Convert these

Megablast

Compare these sequences

output1 (tabular)

Could use the Galaxy web site for this data...

NGS: QC and manipulation

ILLUMINA DATA

- [FASTQ Groomer](#) convert between various FASTQ quality formats
- [FASTQ splitter](#) on joined paired end reads
- [FASTQ joiner](#) on paired end reads
- [FASTQ Summary Statistics](#) by column

ROCHE-454 DATA

- [Build base quality distribution](#)
- [Select high quality segments](#)
- [Combine FASTA and QUAL](#) into FASTQ

AB-SOLID DATA

- [Convert SOLID output to fastq](#)
- [Compute quality statistics](#) for SOLID data
- [Draw quality score boxplot](#) for

Metagenomic analyses

EMBOSS

NGS TOOLBOX BETA

NGS: QC and manipulation

NGS: Mapping

ILLUMINA

- [Map with Bowtie for Illumina](#)
- [Map with BWA](#)

ROCHE-454

- [Lastz](#) map short reads against reference sequence
- [Megablast](#) compare short reads against htgs, nt, and wgs databases
- [Parse blast XML output](#)

AB-SOLID

- [Map with Bowtie for SOLID](#)

NGS: SAM Tools

NGS: Peak Calling

Workflows

Metagenomic analyses

EMBOSS

NGS TOOLBOX BETA

NGS: QC and manipulation

NGS: Mapping

NGS: SAM Tools

- [Filter SAM](#) on bitwise flag values
- [Convert SAM](#) to interval
- [SAM-to-BAM](#) converts SAM format to BAM format
- [Merge BAM Files](#) merges BAM files together
- [Generate pileup](#) from BAM dataset
- [Filter pileup](#) on coverage and SNPs
- [Pileup-to-Interval](#) condenses pileup format into ranges of bases

NGS: Peak Calling

Workflows

Operate on Genomic Intervals

Statistics

Graph/Display Data

Regional Variation

Multiple regression

Multivariate Analysis

Evolution

Metagenomic analyses

EMBOSS

NGS TOOLBOX BETA

NGS: QC and manipulation

NGS: Mapping

NGS: SAM Tools

NGS: Peak Calling

- [MACS Model-based Analysis of ChIP-Seq](#)
- [GeneTrack indexer](#) on a BED file
- [Peak predictor](#) on GeneTrack index

Workflows

However, we would be sharing **compute availability** and **bandwidth** with other users, and need to upload our potential **private data**

Could use a local Galaxy instance...

- Galaxy is designed for local installation and customization
 - Easily integrate new tools
 - Easy to deploy and manage on nearly any (unix) system
 - Run jobs on existing compute clusters
- But, requires an **existing computational resource** on which to be deployed

Welcome to **Galaxy** on the Cloud(s)

[**http://usegalaxy.org/cloud**](http://usegalaxy.org/cloud)

Cloud computing

- Computing using resources acquired on demand
- Spectrum from infrastructure as a service (virtual machines, e.g. Amazon EC2) to software as a service (e.g. Google docs)
- Goal for Galaxy: deliver the provider independence of an IaaS based solution, while approaching the ease of use of a SaaS based solution

Using Amazon EC2: Startup in 3 steps

The image displays three overlapping screenshots of the AWS Management Console, illustrating the process of launching an Amazon EC2 instance.

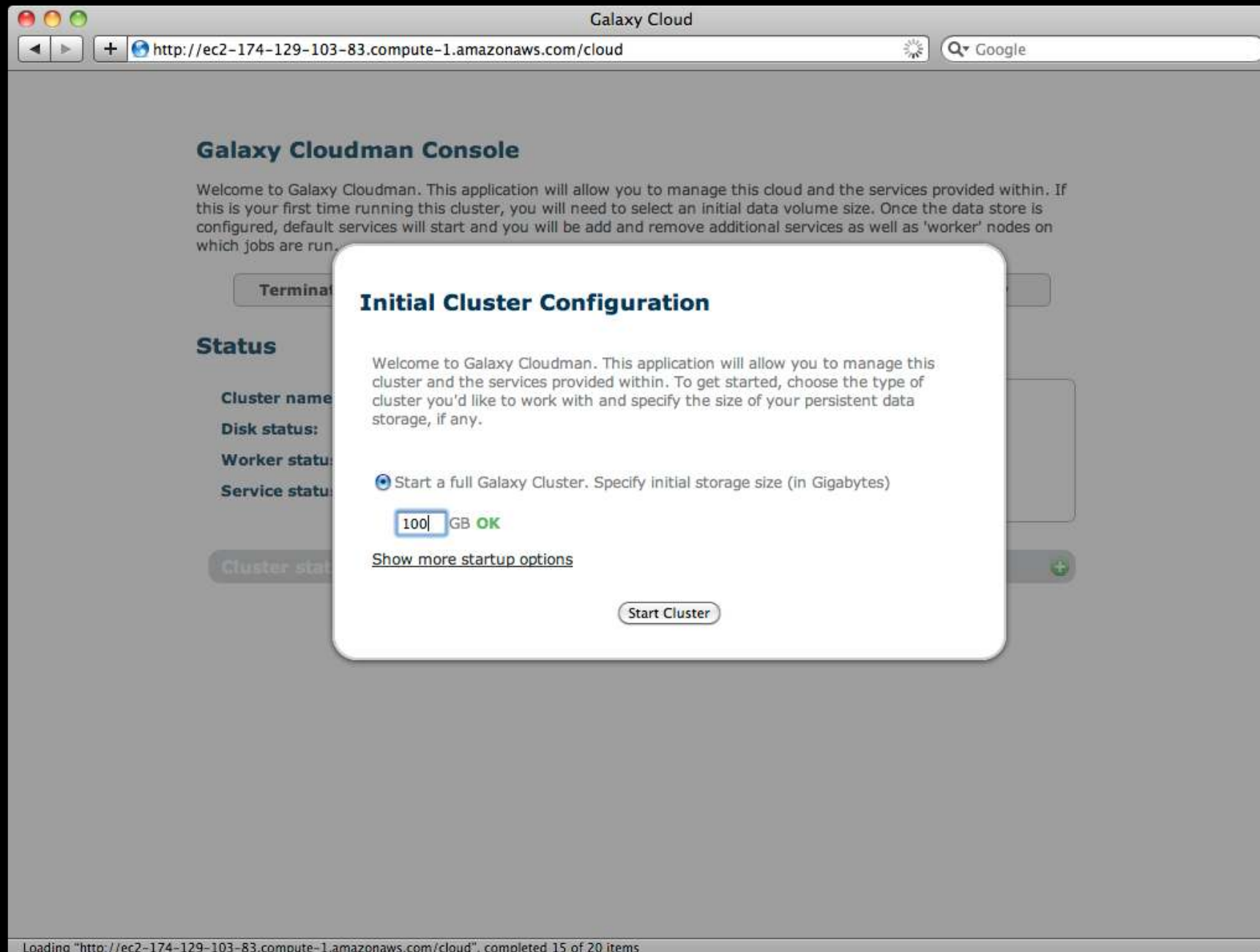
Top Screenshot (Request Instance Wizard): Shows the 'Request Instance' wizard. The 'Choose an AMI' step is active, displaying a list of AMIs. The 'Quick Start' tab is selected, showing AMIs like 'ami-1bce21', 'ami-53ab45', and 'ami-ed03ed'. The 'Number of Instances' is set to 1, and the 'Availability Zone' is set to 'US East-1'.

Middle Screenshot (Request Instance Wizard - Advanced): Shows the 'Advanced Instance Configuration' step. It includes fields for 'Kernel ID', 'RAM Disk ID', 'Monitoring', and 'User Data'. The 'Monitoring' checkbox is checked.

Bottom Screenshot (My Instances): Shows the 'My Instances' page. A table lists the launched instance:

Instance	AMI ID	Root Device Type	Type	Status	Lifecycle	Public DNS	Security Groups	Key
i-453b742e	ami-ed03ed84	ebs	m1.large	running	normal	ec2-184-73-52-147.compute-1	galaxy-web, default	galaxy

Below the table, it states '0 EC2 Instances selected' and 'Select an instance above'.



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http://ec2-174-129-103-83.compute-1.amazonaws.com/cloud

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Galaxy Cloudman Console

Welcome to Galaxy Cloudman. This application will allow you to manage this cloud and the services provided within. If this is your first time running this cluster, you will need to select an initial data volume size. Once the data store is configured, default services will start and you will be able to add and remove additional services as well as 'worker' nodes on which jobs are run.

Terminate cluster

Add nodes ▼

Remove nodes

Access Galaxy

Status

Cluster name: ttt

Disk status: 0 / 0 (0%)

Worker status: Idle: 0 Available: 0 Requested: 0

Service status: Applications Data

Pending

Starting

Ready

Error

Cluster status log

Galaxy Cloud

http://ec2-174-129-103-83.compute-1.amazonaws.com/cloud

Google

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Status

Cluster name: ttt

Disk status: 0 / 0 (0%)

Worker status: Idle: 0 Av

Service status: Application:

Add Nodes

Number of nodes to start:
4
OK

Type of Nodes(s):
Same as Master

Start Additional Nodes

Pending

Starting

Ready

Error

Cluster status log

Loading "http://ec2-174-129-103-83.compute-1.amazonaws.com/cloud", completed 97 of 99 items

Wednesday, January 12, 2011

Galaxy Cloud

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Add nodes ▼

Remove nodes ▼

Access Galaxy

Status

Cluster name: ttt

Disk status: 50M / 100G (1%)

Worker status: Idle: 0 Available: 0 Requested: 4

Service status: Applications Data

Pending

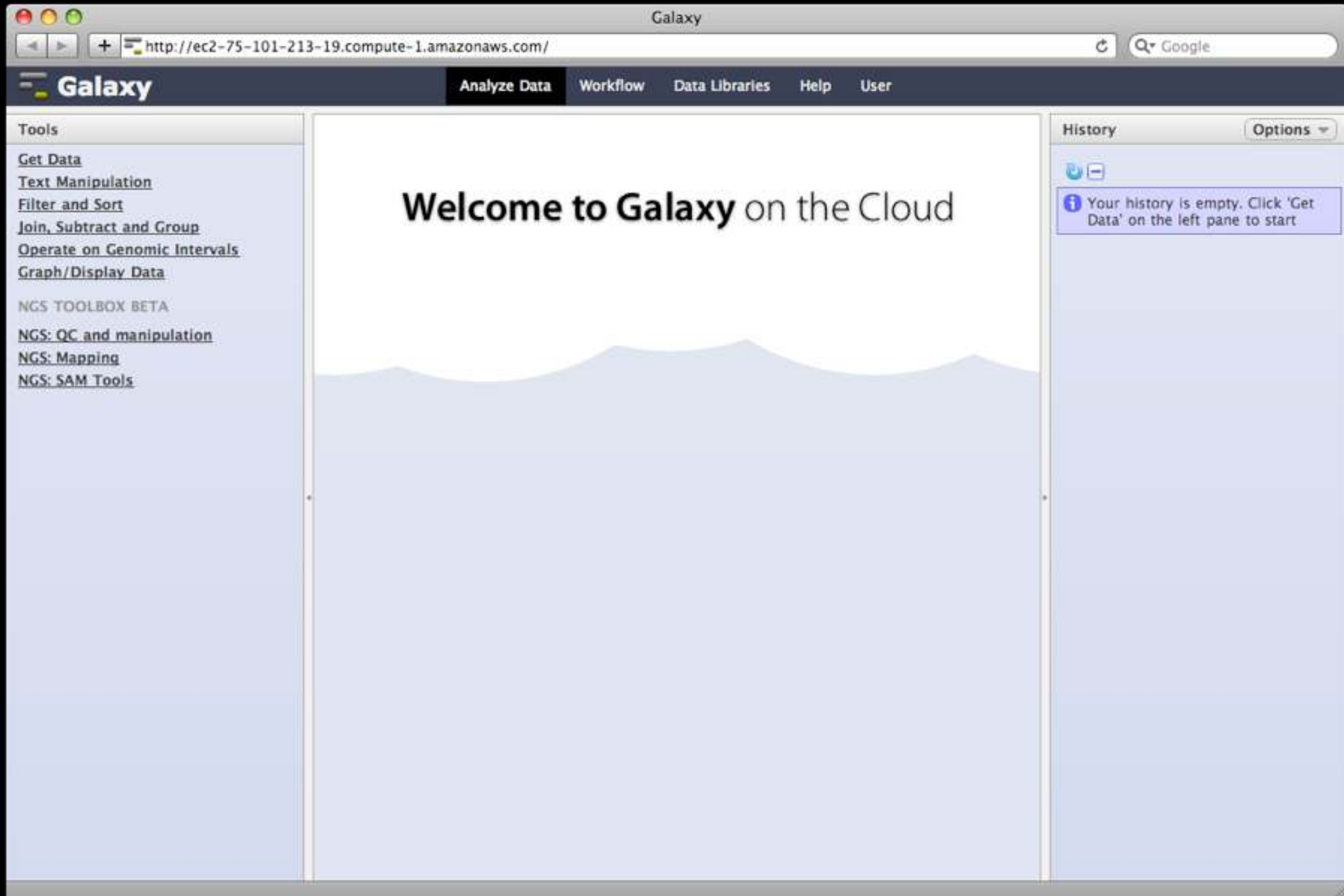
Starting

Ready

Error

Cluster status log

Loading "http://ec2-174-129-103-83.compute-1.amazonaws.com/cloud", completed 246 of 247 items



Analysis defined as a Galaxy workflow...

(created by example, and extracted for reuse across individuals)



Galaxy

http://ec2-184-73-77-101.compute-1.amazonaws.com/root

AWS Management Console Galaxy Cloud Galaxy User

Galaxy

Analyze Data Workflow Data Libraries Help User

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- NGS: SAM Tools
- Workflows
- Determine threshold from PCR replicates
- All workflows

Display a menu

Saved Histories

search [Advanced Search](#)

Name	Datasets (by state)	Tags	Sharing	Created	Last Updated
☐ mt_replicates_pair 2	8 96	0 Tags		about 1 hour ago	2 m ago
☐ mt_replicates_pair 2	8 96	0 Tags		about 1 hour ago	15 m ago
☐ mt_replicates_pair 1 testing	35 3 66	0 Tags		about 2 hours ago	21 m ago
☐ mt_datasets	24	0 Tags		about 2 hours ago	about 2 hours ago

For selected histories: [Rename](#) [Delete](#) [Undelete](#)

History

Options

mt_replicates_pair 3

Galaxy Cloud

http://ec2-184-73-77-101.compute-1.amazonaws.com/cloud

AWS Management Console Galaxy Cloud Galaxy

Galaxy

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Galaxy Cloud Console

The Galaxy cloud console allows you to manage this instance of Galaxy. From here you can start the main Galaxy interface (including an initial set of "worker" nodes on which jobs will be run), as well as add and remove workers while the main interface is running.

[Terminate Galaxy](#)

Scale

[Add more instances](#) [Remove idle instances](#)

Status

Cluster name: james-galaxy-cluster-9May2010-1

Cluster status: Ready

Instance status: Idle: 0 Available: 4 Requested: 4

[Access Galaxy](#)

Filesystems Database Scheduler Galaxy

Cluster status log

```

14:54:40 - Instance 'i-a3e7b2c8' ready
14:54:40 - Setting up Galaxy
14:54:40 - Starting Galaxy...
14:54:45 - Instance 'i-a1e7b2ca' ready
14:54:49 - Instance 'i-afe7b2c4' ready
14:54:56 - Instance 'i-a3e7b2c8' reported alive
14:54:56 - Sent master public key to worker instance 'i-a3e7b2c8'.
14:55:00 - Adding instance i-a3e7b2c8 to SGE Execution Host list
14:55:01 - Successfully added instance 'i-a3e7b2c8' to SGE
14:55:01 - Waiting on worker instance 'i-a3e7b2c8' to configure itself...
14:55:09 - Instance 'i-a3e7b2c8' ready
14:55:16 - Galaxy started successfully!
14:55:16 - Ready for use
  
```

After running first set of workflows, many jobs waiting to run
but cluster is completely utilized...

Galaxy Cloud

http://ec2-184-73-86-186.compute-1.amazonaws.com/cloud

cloud computing

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Terminate Galaxy

Access Galaxy

Scale

Add more instances

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Status

Cluster name:

james-galaxy-cluster-9May2010-1

Cluster status:

Ready

Disk status:

48G / 100G (48%)

Instance status:

Idle: 0 Available: 4 Requested: 12

i-ebe8bf80

State: Ready

Alive: 38m 59s

Filesystems

Permissions

JobScheduler

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Status

Cluster name:

james-galaxy-cluster-9May2010-1

Cluster status:

Ready

Disk status:

59G / 100G (59%)

Instance status:

Idle: 6 Available: 12 Requested: 12

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Persistence

- Once analysis is complete, can scale down worker nodes or shutdown the entire analysis interface
- Data, configuration, et cetera is stored, and you can start the cluster back up to continue analysis at any time
 - Pay for just what you need

**So, what is that workflow
actually doing?**

Determining a good criteria for identifying heteroplasmic sites

1. Using PCR Replicates

- Errors in initial PCR sequencing could appear as very low frequency heteroplasmic sites
- Experimental design specifically allows addressing errors in PCR amplification prior to sequencing
- Comparisons between PCR replicates (sample by sample) determined the maximum observed variation was less than 1%
- Thus, at a detection threshold of 1% or greater, no variation between PCR duplicates

2. Using simulations

- The smallest dataset consists of ~502,028 reads, with a median coverage of 1,170x
- Using this coverage, simulated datasets with different minor allele frequencies (0.001, 0.01, 0.05, 0.1), and sequencing error rates (0.001, 0.01, 0.02, 0.05)
- With a minor allele frequency of 0.01, and an error rate of 0.001, false positive and false negative rates were 0.

3. Strand bias filtering

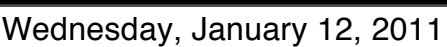
- Illumina sequencing has specific biases, tends toward some specific misidentifications (e.g. A to C).
- Real variants should not show any bias in reads from one strand vs. the other
- Filtering for variants seen in reads aligning to both strands should eliminate these problems (Li et al, AJHG, 2010).

4. Sequencing a clonal specimen

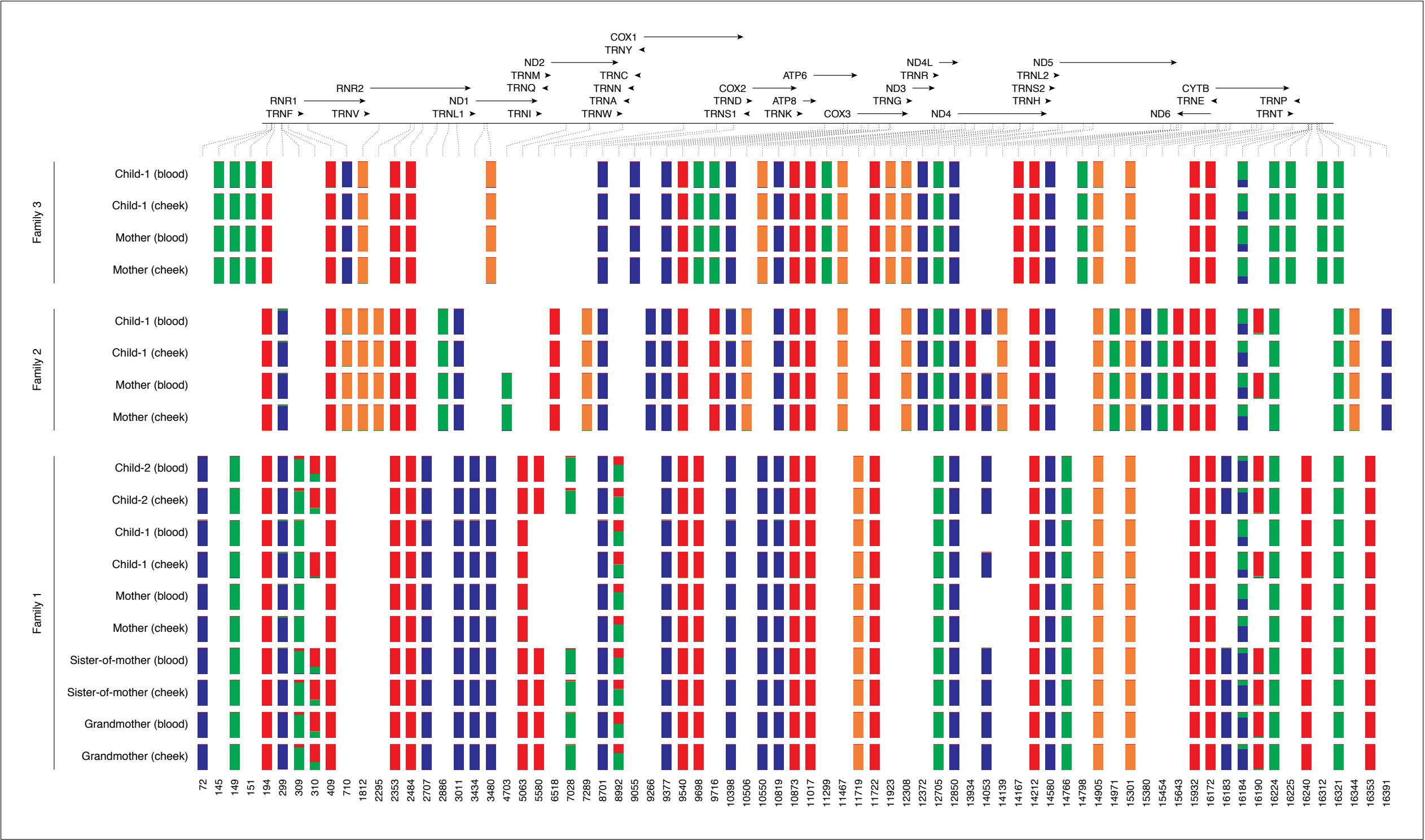
- Sequence a DNA molecule which should have no variation at all, all observed variation will be technical error
- Sequenced plasmid pUC18 to median 1,157,250x with minimum site coverage of 19,382x
- All positions contained at least 2 variant reads, but only one over the simulation threshold of 0.01
- At this one site, this level of variation was not supported on both strands

Heteroplasmy detection workflow

- Map reads to hg19 genome using BWA (Li and Durbin, 2009), and remove non-mt matches
- Pool PCR replicates (no power was gained by treating them separately)
- Split reads by strand
- Identify sites with variation for a given base greater than the detection threshold of 0.02 on both strands (twice our estimated detection level to be conservative)

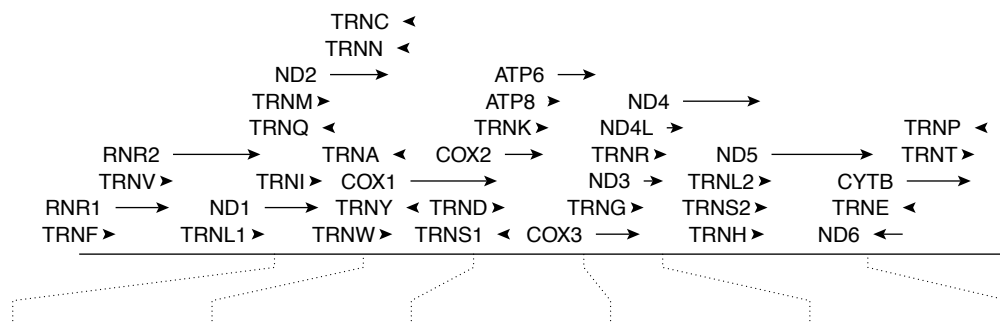


~1 hour and ~\$20 later... results!



Heteroplasmy in the three families

- Of 75 sites showing variation between at least one individual and the reference, 6 show evidence of heteroplasmy
- Two sites in low complexity regions excluded



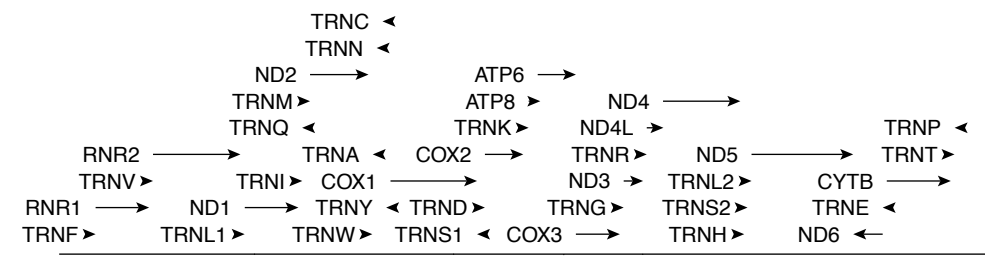
Family 2



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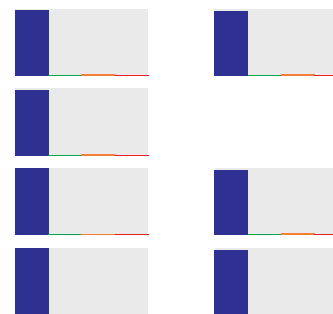


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Family 2

Child-1 (cheek)
Child-1 (blood)
Mother (cheek)
Mother (blood)



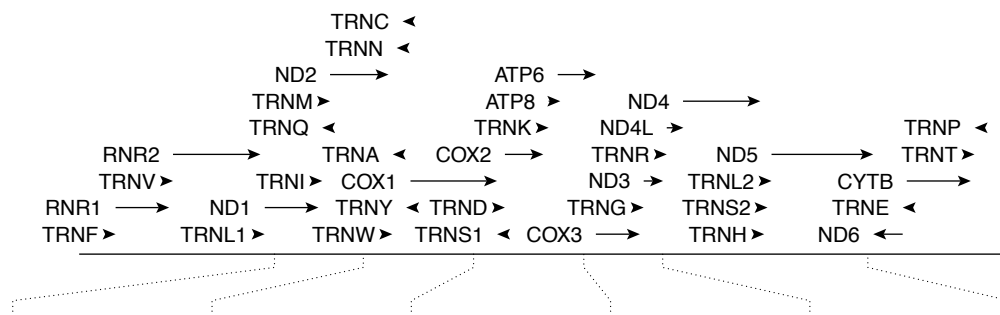
Family 1

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Child-1 (blood)
Mother (cheek)
Mother (blood)
Sister-of-mother (cheek)
Sister-of-mother (blood)
Grandmother (cheek)
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Somatic



Family 2

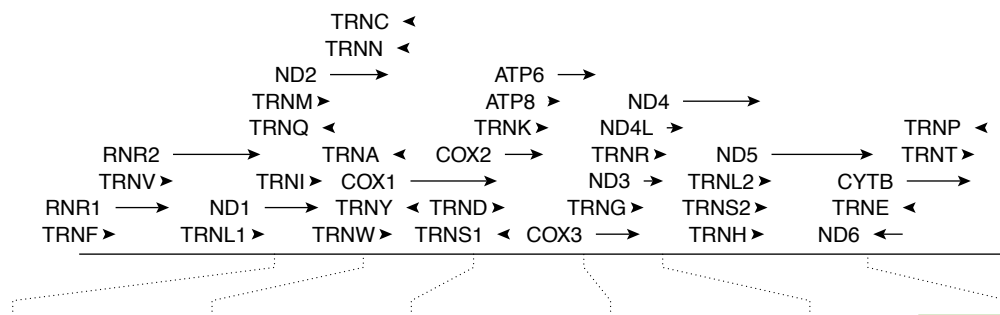


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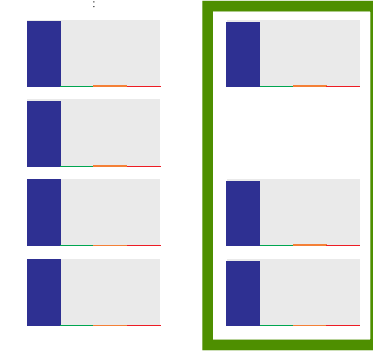
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Somatic
Germline



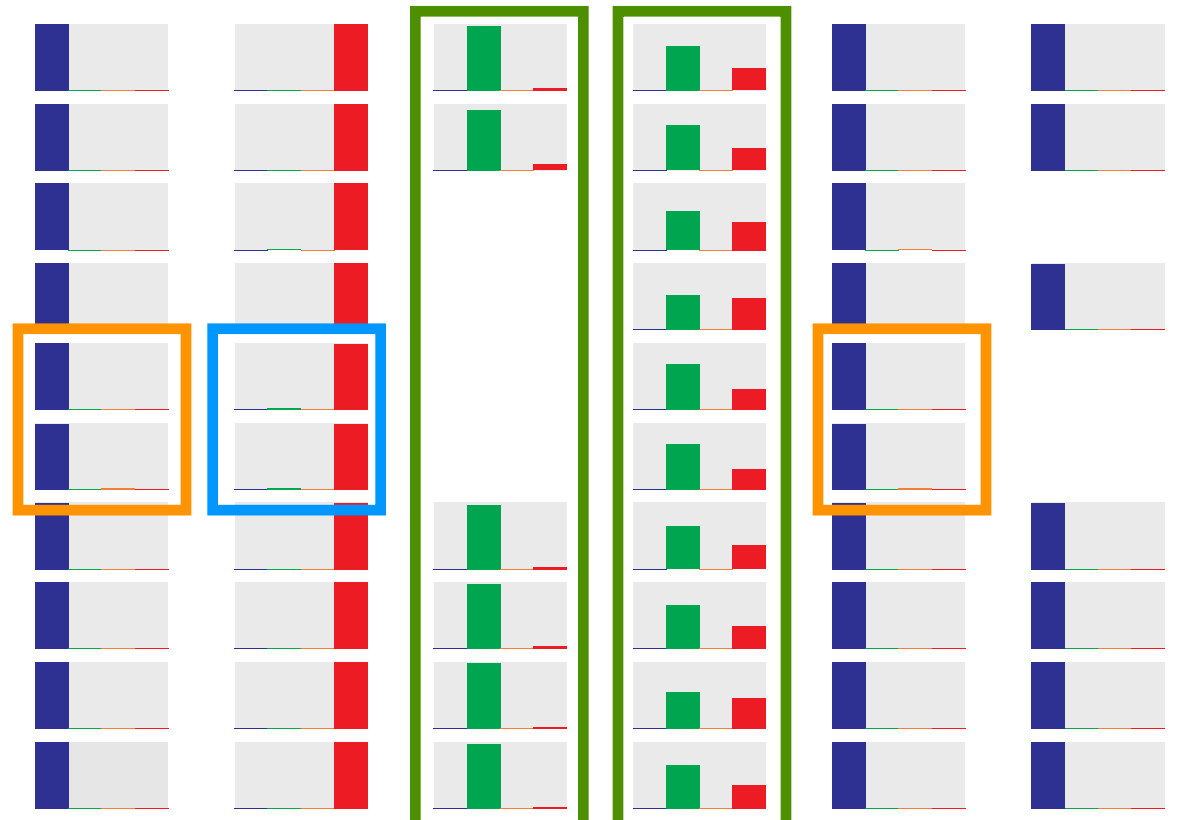
Family 2

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Mother (cheek)
Mother (blood)



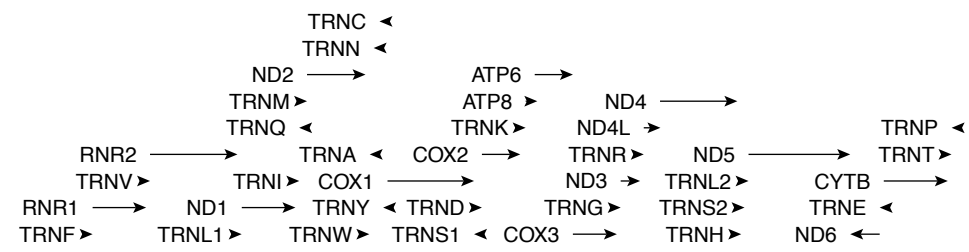
Family 1

Child-2 (cheek)
Child-2 (blood)
Child-1 (cheek)
Child-1 (blood)
Mother (cheek)
Mother (blood)
Sister-of-mother (cheek)
Sister-of-mother (blood)
Grandmother (cheek)
Grandmother (blood)



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Somatic
Germline
Frequency Shift



Family 2

Child-1 (cheek)

Child-1 (blood)

Mother (cheek)

Mother (blood)

Family 1

Child-2 (cheek)

Child-2 (blood)

Child-1 (cheek)

Child-1 (blood)

Mother (cheek)

Mother (blood)

Sister-of-mother (cheek)

Sister-of-mother (blood)

Grandmother (cheek)

Grandmother (blood)



Somatic
Germline
Frequency Shift
Nonsynonymous

Some conclusions...

- Heteroplasmy is relatively infrequent, even with the ability to detect low frequency variation
- Heteroplasmy frequencies change through transmission events: e.g. for heteroplasmic site, allele frequencies were significantly different for all but one transmission

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Dynamics of mitochondrial heteroplasmy in three families: A fully reproducible re-sequencing study

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1. How to use this document

This document is a live copy of supplementary materials for the manuscript. It provides access to all the data as well as to exact analyses and workflows discussed in the paper, so you can play with them by re-running, changing parameters, or even applying them to your own sequencing data. To import workflows you must [create a Galaxy account](#) (unless you already have one) – a hassle-free procedure where you are only asked for a username and password. To make this even easier, we created several screencasts (very short movies) to help you:

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In addition, we created two longer screenacasts:

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M10, M10C2, M15, and M15C2;

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for this we created three separate histories: one for each family. Each history (F4 = Family 4, F7 = Family 7, F11 = Family 11) can be examined in detail and imported below ([see a Screencast explaining how to do this](#)):

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Galaxy History | F4

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Galaxy History | F7

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Galaxy History | F11

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Each of the histories contain original Illumina datasets and outputs of workflows.

3.3 Generating initial summary datasets

In the previous step we identified variable sites in all samples. Now we need to merge the results by generating reports for each family. To do this we first copied results workflow executions into a new history called "F4-F7-F11 final report" ([for explanation on how to copy datasets between histories see this Screencast](#)):

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Galaxy History | F4-F7-F11 final report

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Within this history individual datasets are merged into summaries generated for each family. To be more specific, datasets 1 through 10 were merged into dataset 19 called "F4 summary", datasets 11 - 14 were joined into history item 22 called "F7 summary", and, finally, datasets 15 - 18 were used to generate #24 called "F11 summary". Merging of datasets was performed with "*Join, Subtract, and Group -> Column Join*" tool. Let's look at datasets "F7 summary" to understand what this means:

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Galaxy Dataset | F7 summary

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Results of heteroplasmy workflow for all individuals of family 7 joined together. You can click in "rerun" button above to see the parameters.

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Dataset	Annotation
1: bM4C1-1	Child M4C1 blood PCR 1
2: bM4C1-2	Child M4C1 blood PCR 2
3: cM4C1-1	Child M4C1 cheek PCR 1
4: cM4C1-2	Child M4C1 cheek PCR 2
5: bM4C3	Child M4C3 blood PCR (no replicated were performed for this individual)
6: cM4C3	Child M4C3 cheek PCR (no replicated were performed for this individual)
7: bM5G-1	Grandmother M5G blood PCR 1

Galaxy History | F7

Galaxy History | F11

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Discovery of human heteroplasmy: an accessible interface to

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Datasets

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Dataset

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2: p1-m-c-2.fastq

3: p1-m-b-1.fastq
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Join two Queries

Join:
 56: Cut on data 55

 using column:
 c2

 with:
 62: Group on data 61

 and column:
 c1

 Keep lines of first input that do not join with second input:
 Yes

 Keep lines of first input that are incomplete:
 No

 Fill empty columns:
 Yes

 Only fill unjoined rows:
 Yes

 Fill Columns by:
 Values by column

History

Options

mt parsing pair 3
 64: Cut on data 63
 63: Join two Queries on data 62 and data 56
 15,616 lines, format: tabular,
 database: hg19
 Run this job again

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
chr1	3	4	C	0	590	0	0	590	0
chr1	4	5	A	584	0	0	0	584	0
chr1	5	6	C	0	1006	0	0	1006	0
chr1	6	7	A	944	0	0	0	944	0
chr1	7	8	G	2	0	924	2	928	4
chr1	8	9	G	0	0	1022	0	1022	0

 62: Group on data 61
 61: Concatenate queries on data 57, data 60, and others

Reads were mapped against hg19 version of the human genome using bwa. Only those reads aligning exactly once to the mitochondrial genome and having no hits to the nuclear genome were retained. This procedure eliminated potential contamination of our data with reads associated with numts (our PCR strategy enriched mt DNA but did not eliminate nuclear DNA from the sample: approximately 10–20% of the reads mapped to the nuclear genome and were subsequently eliminated from the analysis). Using PCRs replicates for each sample, the following workflow estimates the methodological error rate by comparing mapping

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Galaxy Workflow | Determine threshold from PCR replicates

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c1==chrM and c10 >= 200
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Step 16: Filter

Filter
Output dataset 'out_file1' from step 14

With following condition
`c1=='chrM' and c10 >= 200`

Step 17: Join

Join
Output dataset 'out_file1' from step 15

with
Output dataset 'out_file1' from step 16

Create a joined file containing the pileup information for all positions that have sufficient quality to consider in both replicates

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Histories resulting from first workflow on each pair: History 'mt replicates pair 1', History 'mt replicates pair 2', History 'mt

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Details

lower than

30

Do not report positions with coverage lower than

200

Only report variants?

No

Convert coordinates to intervals?

Yes

Print total number of differences?

Yes

Print quality and base string?

No

Edit Step Attributes

Annotation / Notes:

Replicate 2: Filter pileup for positions with high coverage (over 200 reads that map with quality of at least 30)

Forward...

- Heteroplasmy
 - We can accurately identify heteroplasmy at low frequencies
 - Deeper sequencing, indels, linkage
 - Many more individuals, low incidence means we need to observe many more transmissions to estimate bottlenecks
- Galaxy
 - Long term archival and migration of analysis artifacts:
 -   
 - Cloud: autoscaling, more parallelism, instance migration

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exactly four (4) things:

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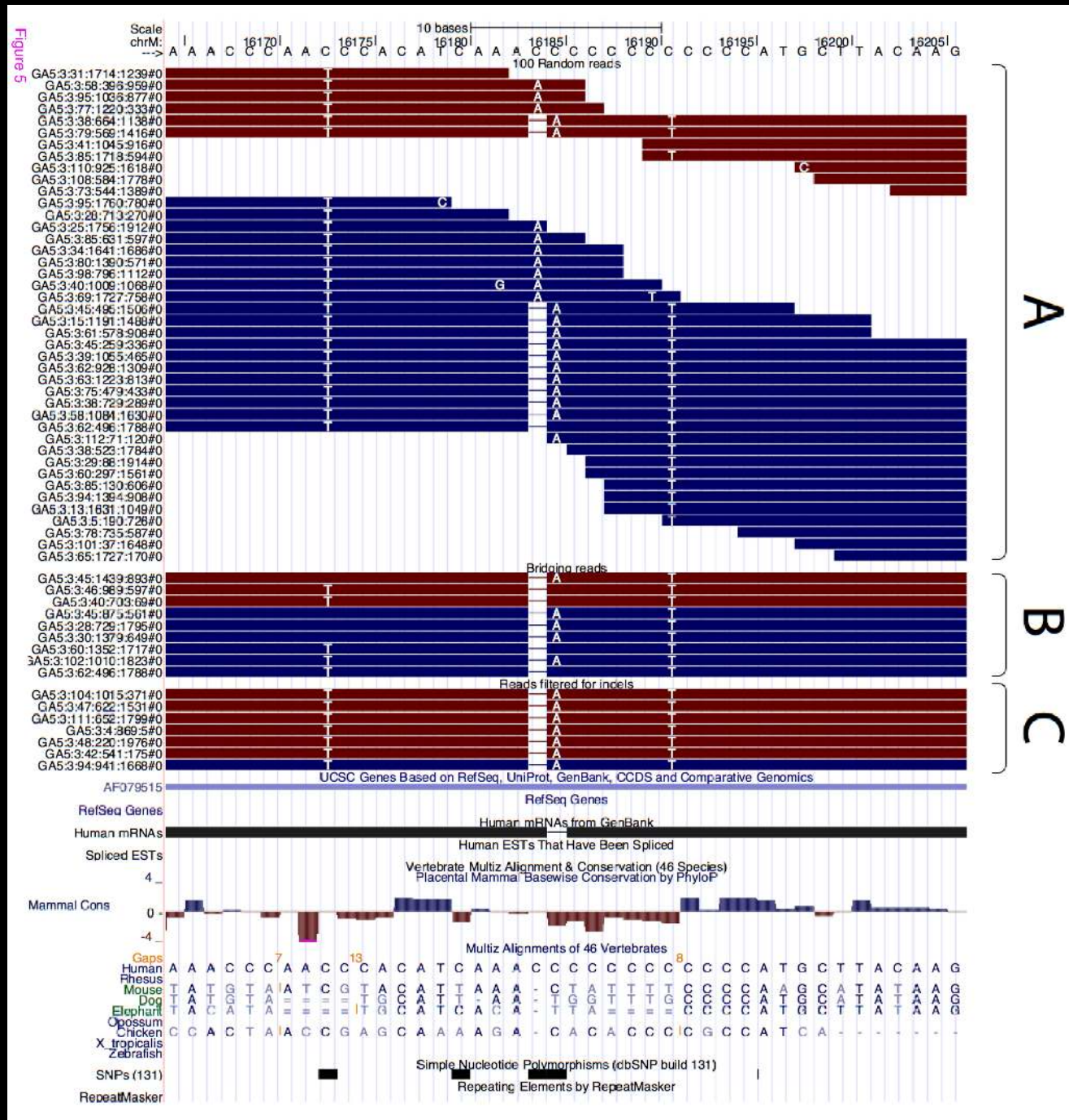
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Erroneous Heteroplasmy at low complexity regions



- Site 16,190:
- Appears to show A/C variation
- However, this is almost certainly alignment error
- Requiring 10 high quality aligning bases on either side reveals a fixed C deletion flanked by a fixed A substitution

LETTERS

Heteroplasmic mitochondrial DNA mutations in normal and tumour cells

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The presence of hundreds of copies of mitochondrial DNA (mtDNA) in each human cell poses a challenge for the complete characterization of mtDNA genomes by conventional sequencing technologies¹. Here we describe digital sequencing of mtDNA genomes with the use of massively parallel sequencing-by-synthesis approaches. Although the mtDNA of human cells is considered to be homogeneous, we found widespread heterogeneity (heteroplasmy) in the mtDNA of normal human cells. Moreover, the frequency of heteroplasmic variants varied considerably between different tissues in the same individual. In addition to the variants identified in normal tissues, cancer cells harboured further homoplasmic and heteroplasmic mutations that could also be detected in patient plasma. These studies provide insights into the nature and variability of mtDNA sequences and have implications for mitochondrial processes during embryogenesis, cancer biomarker development and forensic analysis. In particular, they demonstrate that individual humans are characterized by a complex mixture of related mitochondrial genotypes rather than a single genotype.

Mitochondria are crucial in many basic cellular processes, and as a result of its unique maternal inheritance pattern and relatively high mutation rate, mtDNA is often used in studies of evolutionary biology and population genetics. These same attributes, combined with the high copy number of mtDNA in cells, makes mtDNA a favoured substrate for forensic analysis². In typical human cells, there are between 50 and hundreds of mitochondria per cell and five to ten copies of mtDNA per mitochondrion¹. The presence of multiple copies of mtDNA per cell leaves open the possibility that all the copies are not identical. Many studies have shown that mtDNA is homoplasmic in normal cells; that is, all of the mtDNA copies are identical not only in an individual cell but also among cells. However, there is apparently a low level of heteroplasmy in the mtDNA of various species, including humans^{3–14}. To evaluate this issue further, we have used massively parallel sequencing-by-synthesis approaches to thoroughly characterize the mtDNA of normal and neoplastic human cells.

Two sets of PCR primers, each resulting in amplicons of about 650 base pairs (bp) in length, were designed to cover the mtDNA genome (Fig. 1a). Sequencing libraries for Illumina GAI made from the PCR products of normal colonic mucosa DNA (patient 1) yielded 8.5 million tags that matched the mitochondrial genome. Each mtDNA base was sequenced, on average, 16,700 times and fewer than 11 bases (0.07% of the 16,569 bp in the mtDNA genome) were represented fewer than 1,000 times (Supplementary Fig. 1a).

This high coverage permitted us to identify heteroplasmic variants even when they were relatively rare—theoretically, when present in as few as 1 per 10,000 mitochondrial genomes. However, errors that had

accumulated during the PCR and sequencing steps limited the sensitivity achieved. Control libraries made from PCR products of nuclear DNA demonstrated that the average proportion of mutations per base was 0.058%, with a standard deviation of 0.057%, and no base was mutated at greater than 0.82% frequency (Supplementary Information). We therefore made the very conservative assumption that all variants present in excess of twice this value (1.6%) represented true heteroplasmies rather than sequencing artefacts. Using these criteria, we detected 28 homoplasmic alleles and 8 heteroplasmic alleles in this sample of normal colonic mucosa (patient 1). Homoplasmic alleles were defined as any allele not present in the standard mtDNA reference sequence of humans but present in more than 98.4% (that is, 100% – 1.6%) of the mtDNA sequences analysed. All homoplasmic alleles identified in patient 1 had previously been identified in normal individuals. The less frequent (minor) alleles at the heteroplasmic sites represented 1.6–29.7% of the total alleles at that site (Table 1). All (100%) of these eight heteroplasmic alleles were listed as normal variants in mtDNA databases, whereas only 3,601

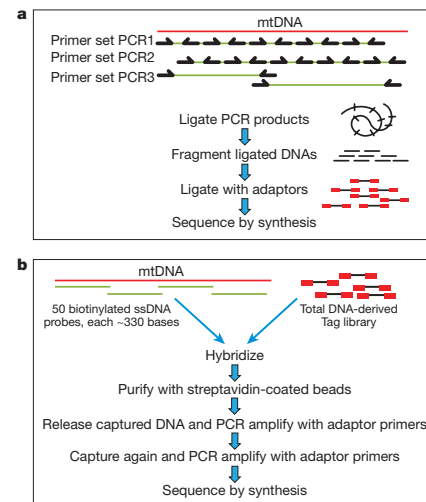


Figure 1 | Sequencing strategy. a, PCR amplification for mtDNA enrichment. **b**, Capture-based method for mtDNA enrichment.

Detecting Heteroplasmy from High-Throughput Sequencing of Complete Human Mitochondrial DNA Genomes

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Heteroplasmy, the existence of multiple mtDNA types within an individual, has been previously detected by using mostly indirect methods and focusing largely on just the hypervariable segments of the control region. Next-generation sequencing technologies should enable studies of heteroplasmy across the entire mtDNA genome at much higher resolution, because many independent reads are generated for each position. However, the higher error rate associated with these technologies must be taken into consideration to avoid false detection of heteroplasmy. We used simulations and phiX174 sequence data to design criteria for accurate detection of heteroplasmy with the Illumina Genome Analyzer platform, and we used artificial mixtures and replicate data to test and refine the criteria. We then applied these criteria to mtDNA sequence reads for 131 individuals from five Eurasian populations that had been generated via a parallel tagged approach. We identified 37 heteroplasmies at 10% frequency or higher at 34 sites in 32 individuals. The mutational spectrum does not differ between heteroplasmic mutations and polymorphisms in the same individuals, but the relative mutation rate at heteroplasmic mutations is significantly higher than that estimated for all mutable sites in the human mtDNA genome. Moreover, there is also a significant excess of nonsynonymous mutations observed among heteroplasmies, compared to polymorphism data from the same individuals. Both mutation-drift and negative selection influence the fate of heteroplasmies to determine the polymorphism spectrum in humans. With appropriate criteria for avoiding false positives due to sequencing errors, next-generation technologies can provide novel insights into genome-wide aspects of mtDNA heteroplasmy.

Introduction

The mtDNA genome remains one of the most widely studied DNA segments in humans. It is particularly useful for studying population and evolutionary genetics because of its abundance in human cells, its uniparental, non-recombining mode of inheritance, and its high mutation rate compared to that of the nuclear genome.¹ Although each individual is typically characterized by a single mtDNA type, in fact each individual is a population of mtDNA genomes, and the presence of multiple mtDNA types within an individual is termed heteroplasmy.

Although little noted at the time, the first report of heteroplasmy in humans was in 1983, involving a study of a noncoding region of human mtDNA from 11 human placentas.² Heteroplasmy has been investigated most often in correlation with mitochondrial disease, aging, and cancer.^{3–6} To date, more than 400 mtDNA mutations have been associated with human disease, and most were observed in heteroplasmic states, with pathogenic mutations coexisting with normal mitochondrial genomes.⁷ This suggests that the heteroplasmic level is of particular interest, as the disease phenotype becomes evident only when the percentage of mutant molecules exceeds a critical threshold value. Although this value differs for different mutations and in different tissues, it is usually in the range of 70%–90%.^{8,9}

Originally, heteroplasmy was believed to be quite rare in healthy individuals,^{10,11} but subsequent studies found many non-disease-related heteroplasmies.^{12–15} Moreover,

heteroplasmy has started to play an important role in some forensic investigations.^{16,17} Thus, heteroplasmy can also be a useful genetic marker. Regarding heteroplasmy as the intermediate stage between the generation of mutations and the fixation of mutations in the individual or cell, it represents polymorphisms within the populations of mitochondrial genomes in one cell or tissue. Thus, it can be a potential resource for studying the mutational pattern, possible role of natural selection, and even the existence of recombination in mtDNA.¹⁸ For example, de novo mtDNA mutations in cancer tissues preferentially locate at the same positions as ancient variants in the human phylogeny, indicating similar selective constraints.¹⁹ Understanding the basis, extent, and forces influencing the occurrence and subsequent fate of heteroplasmic mtDNA mutations is one of the principal challenges facing scientists and clinicians in the field of mitochondrial genetics.

A variety of techniques have been employed for heteroplasmy detection, including Sanger capillary sequencing,¹³ high-performance liquid chromatography (HPLC),²⁰ pyrosequencing,^{21,22} SnapShot,²³ high-resolution melt (HRM) profiling,²⁴ a temporal temperature gradient gel electrophoresis (TTGE) strategy,²⁵ the Invader assay,²⁶ an amplification refractory mutation system,²⁷ and surveyor nuclease.²⁸ However, all of these methods have disadvantages, including the following: for some methods, the candidate heteroplasmic position needs to be defined first; the method may not allow determination of the actual heteroplasmic position; the level of heteroplasmy cannot be

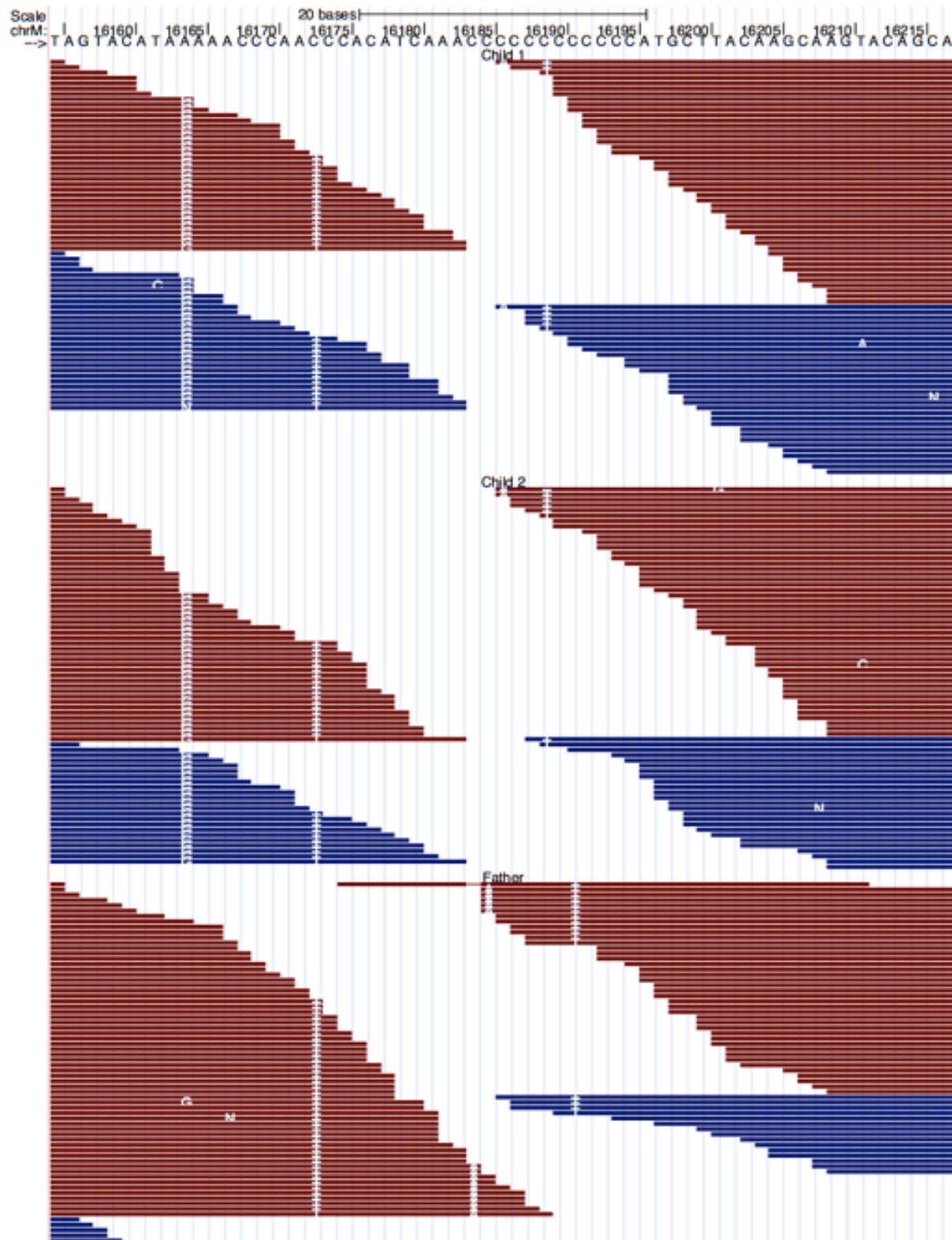
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Comparisons with other studies

- He et al (Nature) 2010: Using a 1.6% detection threshold from PCR replicates, identified 40 heteroplasmies in 10 individuals, concluding heteroplasmy is far more frequent than expected
- Li et al (AJHG) 2010: Using a 10% detection threshold (and strand filtering, simulation, ...) identified 37 heteroplasmies in 131 individuals, significantly less than He et al.
- If we consider one individual from each family, to avoid relatedness, our results support this ($p=0.44$)



- He et al. call two heteroplasmic sites in this low-complexity region
- No reads (from their data) span the region
- Almost certainly misalignment of a single fixed variant

The developer's dilemma

- You have written a command-line script to analyze genomic data and you want to share it with command-line averse colleagues

The Galaxy solution

- Integrate the script as a new Tool into your own Galaxy server
- Steps:
 - Obtain and install Galaxy source code (GetGalaxy.org)
 - Write an XML file describing the inputs and outputs and how to execute the script

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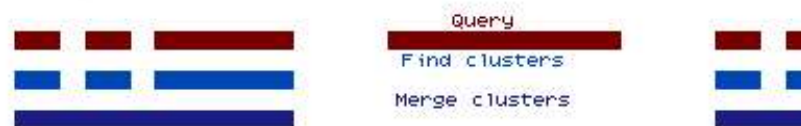
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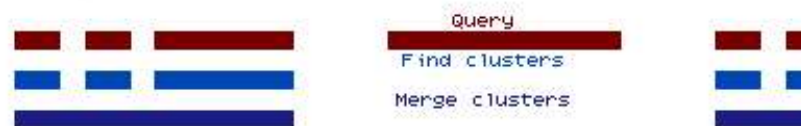
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} Template for generating command line from parameter values

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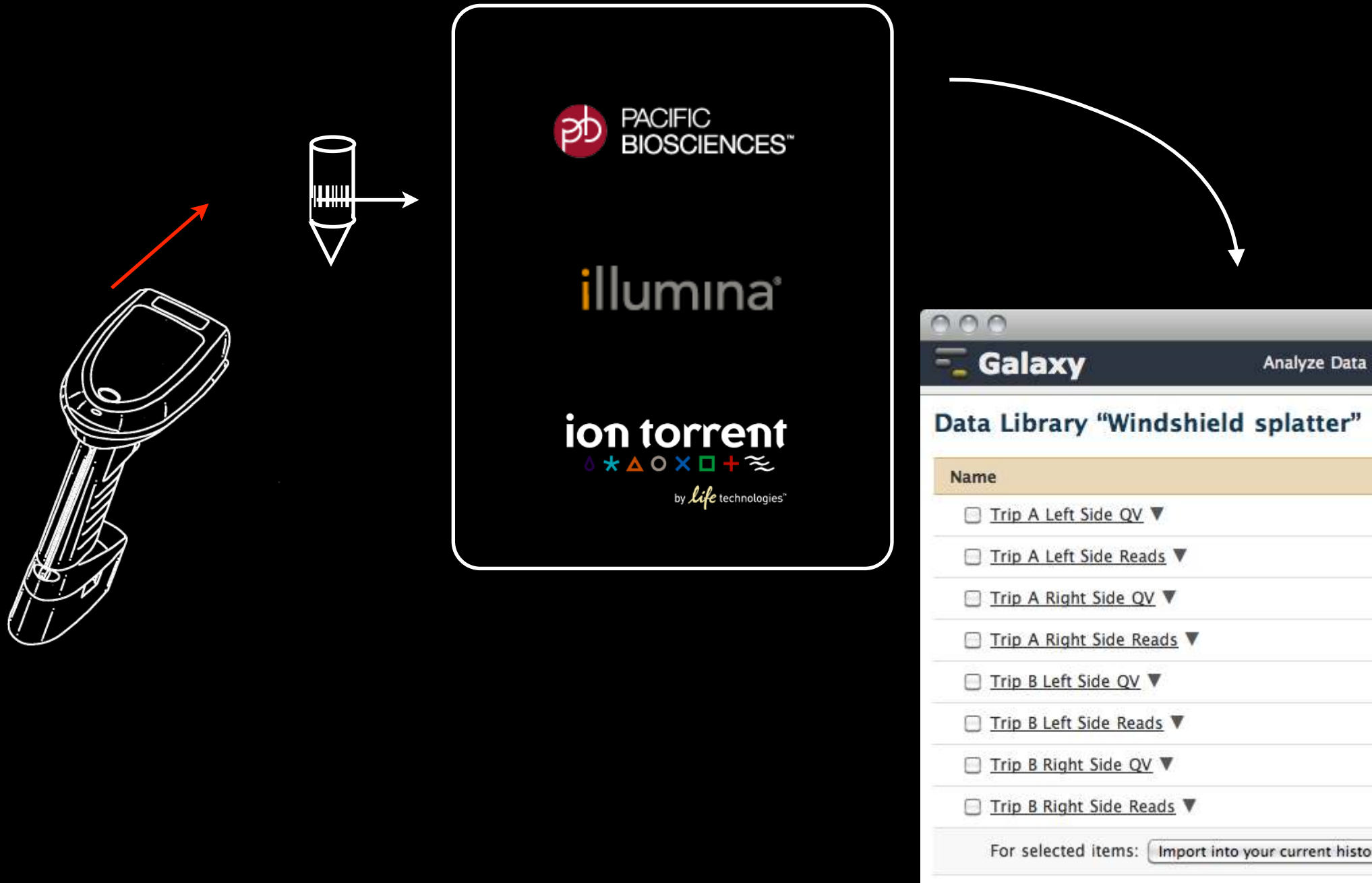
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Text Manipulation	Tools for manipulating data	0
Visualization	Tools for visualizing data	0

Develop:Tools



Lab: Sequencing Request Tracking

Run Galaxy at your site

- Galaxy is designed for local installation and customization
 - Easily integrate new tools
 - Easy to deploy and manage on nearly any (Unix-like) system

Scale up on your cluster

- Move intensive processing (tool execution) to other hosts
- Frees up the application server to serve requests and manage jobs
- Utilize existing resources
- Supports any scheduler that supports DRMAA (most of them)
- It's easy
- But, requires an **existing computational resource** on which to be deployed

