Thoughts on Genome Annotation, Prioritizing Variants & the Application of these Concepts in a Disease Context

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Thus: Need to find & prioritize high impact variants. Particularly hard for non-coding regions.

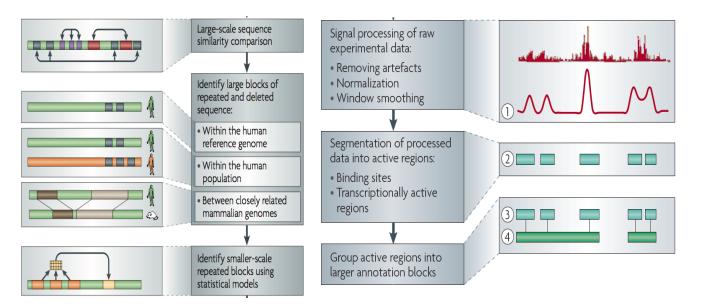
Non-coding Annotations: Overview

Features are often present on multiple "scale" (eg elements and connected networks)

Sequence features, incl. Conservation

Functional Genomics

Chip-seq (Epigenome & seq. specific TF) and ncRNA & un-annotated transcription



What is Annotation? (For Written Texts?)

NATURE

No. 4356 April 25, 1953

MOLECULAR STRUCTURE OF NUCLEIC ACIDS A Structure for Deoxyribose Nucleic Acid

XXE wish to suggest a structure for the salt VV of deoxyribose nucleic acid (D.N.A.). This structure has novel features which are of considerable biological interest

A structure for nucleic acid has already been proposed by Pauling and Corey¹. They kindly made their manuscript available to us in advance of publication. Their model consists of three intertwined chains, with the phosphates near the fibre axis, and the bases on the outside. In our opinion, this structure is unsatisfactory for two reasons : (1) We believe that the material which gives the X-ray diagrams is the salt, not the free acid. Without the acidic hydrogen atoms it is not clear what forces would hold the structure together, especially as the negatively charged phosphates near the axis will repel each other. (2) Some of the van der Waals distances appear to be too small.

Another three-chain structure has also been suggested by Fraser (in the press). In his model the phosphates are on the outside and the bases on the inside, linked together by hydrogen bonds. This structure as described is rather ill-defined, and for



this reason we shall not comment on it.

We wish to put forward a radically different structure for the salt of deoxyribose nucleic acid. This structure has two helical chains each coiled round the same axis (see diagram). We have made the usual chemical assumptions, namely, that each chain consists of phosphate diester groups joining β-D-deoxyribofuranose residues with 3',5' linkages. The two chains (but not their bases) are related by a dred normandianlan to the fibre

Initial sequencing and analysis of the human genome

International Human Genome Sequencing Consortium*

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The human genome holds an extraordinary trove of information about human development, physiology, medicine and evolution. Here we report the results of an international collaboration to produce and make freely available a draft sequence of the human genome. We also present an initial analysis of the data, describing some of the insights that can be gleaned from the sequence.

The rediscovery of Mendel's laws of heredity in the opening weeks of coordinate regulation of the genes in the clusters. the 20th century¹⁻³ sparked a scientific quest to understand the nature and content of genetic information that has propelled biology for the last hundred years. The scientific progress made falls naturally into four main phases, corresponding roughly to the four quarters of the century. The first established the cellular basis of • The full set of proteins (the 'proteome') encoded by the human heredity: the chromosomes. The second defined the molecular basis of hered ty: the DNA double helix. The third unlocked the informational basis of heredity, with the discovery of the biological mechanism by which cells read the information contained in genes and with the invention of the recombinant DNA technologies of cloning and sequencing by which scientists can do the same.

to decipher first genes and then entire genomes, spawning the field of genomics. The fruits of this work already include the genome sequences of 599 viruses and viroids, 205 naturally occurring plasmids, 185 organelles, 31 eubacteria, seven archaea, one fungus, two animals and one plant.

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NATURE VOL 409 | 15 FEBRUARY 2001

• There appear to be about 30,000-40,000 protein-coding genes in the human genome-only about twice as many as in worm or fly. However, the genes are more complex, with more alternative splicing generating a larger number of protein products.

genome is more complex than those of invertebrates. This is due in part to the presence of vertebrate-specific protein domains and motifs (an estimated 7% of the total), but more to the fact that vertebrates appear to have arranged pre-existing components into a richer collection of domain architectures.

• Hundreds of human genes appear likely to have resulted from The last guarter of a century has been marked by a relentless drive horizontal transfer from bacteria at some point in the vertebrate lineage. Dozens of genes appear to have been derived from transposable elements.

> • Although about half of the human genome derives from transposable elements, there has been a marked decline in the overall activity of such elements in the hominid lineage. DNA transposons appear to have become completely inactive and long-terminal repeat (LTR) retroposons may also have done so.

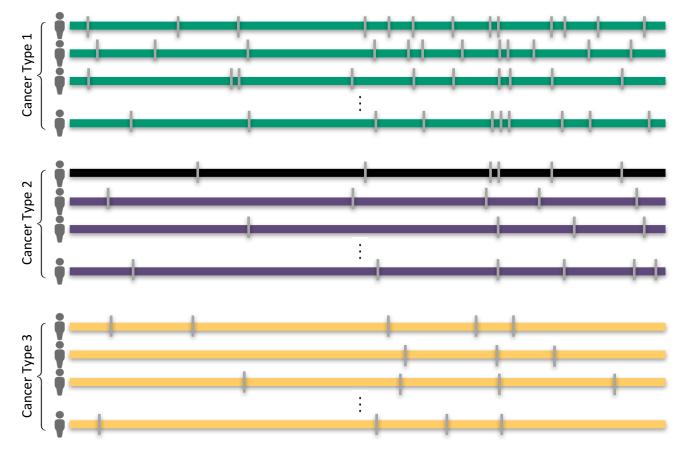
> • The pericentromeric and subtelomeric regions of chromosomes are filled with large recent segmental duplications of sequence from elsewhere in the genome. Segmental duplication is much more frequent in humans than in yeast, fly or worm.

> • Analysis of the organization of Alu elements explains the longstanding mystery of their surprising genomic distribution, and suggests that there may be strong selection in favour of preferential retention of Alu elements in GC-rich regions and that these 'selfish' elements may benefit their human hosts.

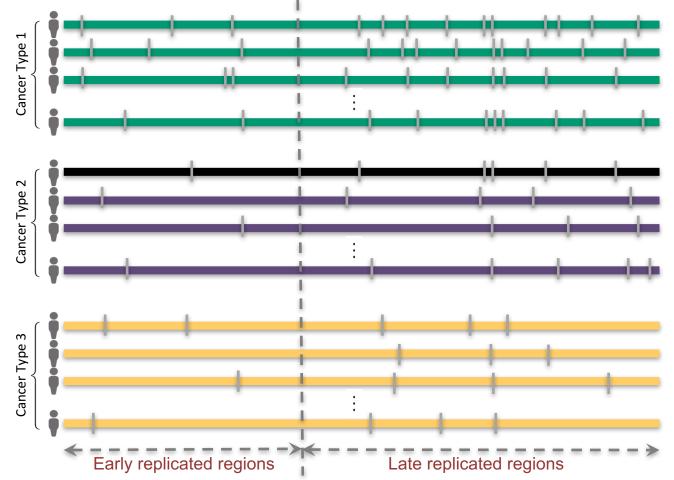
• The mutation rate is about twice as high in male as in female meiosis, showing that most mutation occurs in males.

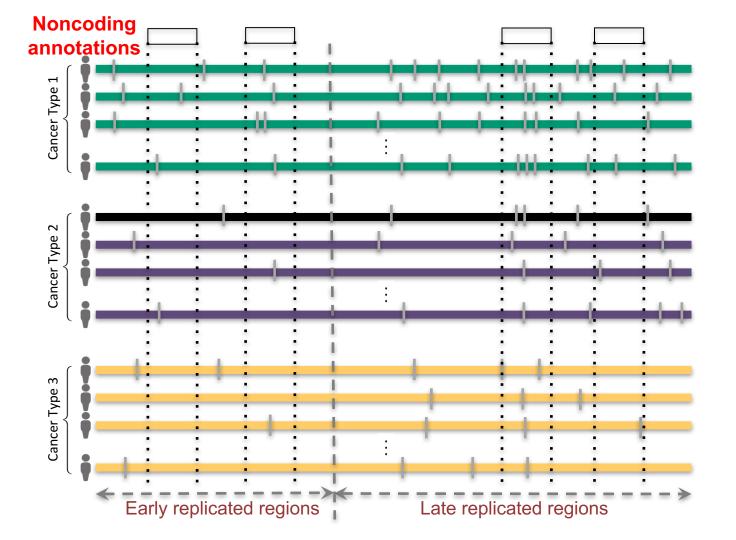
• Cytogenetic analysis of the sequenced clones confirms suggestions that large GC-poor regions are strongly correlated with 'dark

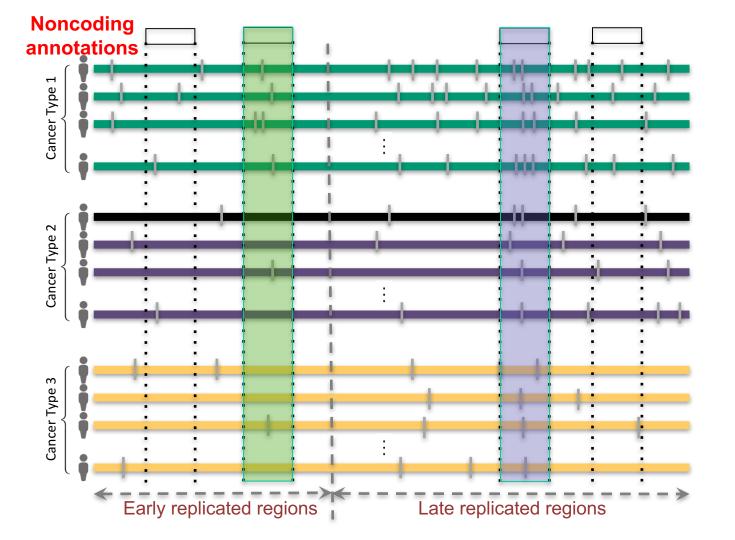
Mutation recurrence



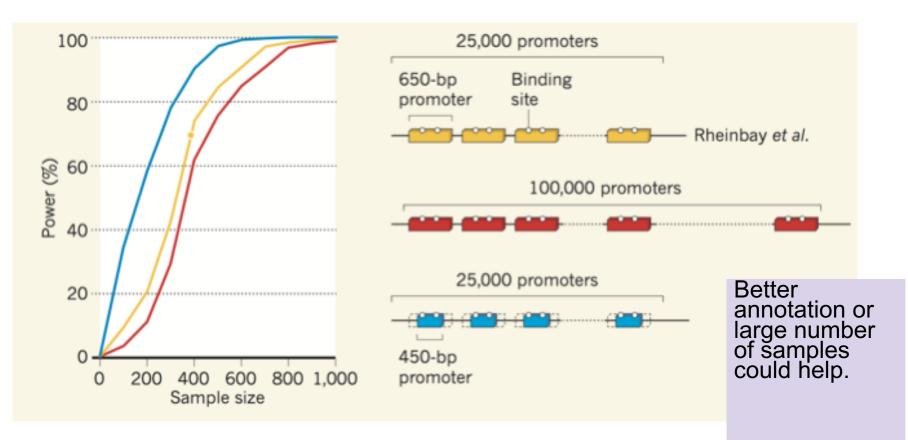
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Power, as an issue in driver discovery



Background on computationally annotation

Peak calling:

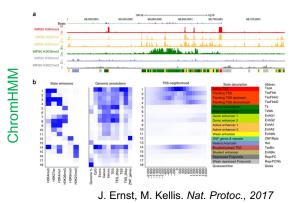
✓ PeakSeq, SPP, MACS2, Hotspot ...

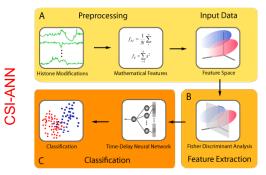
✓ ENCODE Encyclopedia

- Genome segmentation: partition the genome into regions (states) with distinct epigenomic profiles, then assign each state a functional label.
 - ✓ ChromHMM: Multivariate Hidden Markov Model
 - ✓ Segway: Dynamic Bayesian Network Model
- Supervised regulatory prediction: learn predictive models from labeled dataset of regulatory elements.
 - ✓ CSI-ANN: Time-Delay Neural Network
 - ✓ RFECS: Random Forest
 - ✓ DEEP: Ensemble SVM + Artificial Neural Network
 - ✓ REPTILE: Random Forest
 - ✓ gkm-SVM: Gapped k-mer

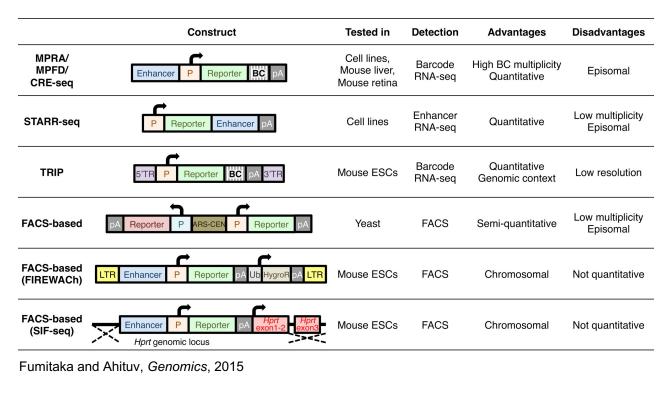
Target finding

✓ Ripple, TargetFinder, JEME, PreSTIGE, IM-PET





High-throughput approaches to dissect enhancer function



MPRA

Patwardhan RP, et al., *Nat Biotech*, 2009 Melnikov A, et al., *Nat Biotech*, 2012 Kheradpour P, et al, *Genome Res*, 2013 Birnbaum RY, et al, *PLoS Genet*, 2014

CRE-Seq

Kwasnieski JC, et al, *PNAS*, 2012 White MA, et al, *PNAS*, 2013 Kwasnieski JC, et al, *Genome Res*, 2014

MPFD

Patwardhan RP, et al., Nat Biotech, 2012

STARR-Seq

Arnold, CD, et al., *Science*, 2013 Arnold, CD, et al., *Nat Genet*, 2014 Shlyueva, D, et al, *Mol Cell*, 2014

TRIP

Akhtar, W, et al., Cell, 2013

FIREWACh

Murtha, M, et al., Nat Methods, 2014

SIF-Seq

Dickel, DE, et al., Nat Methods, 2014

Genetic variant annotation: coding and noncoding

DeepSEA

Tools developed specifically for coding variants:

✓PolyPhen-2

✓SnpEff

✓ SIFT

√...

Tools developed specifically for noncoding variants:

✓RegulomeDB

√HaploReg

✓DeepSEA

✓GWAVA

√...

• Tools for both coding and noncoding variants:

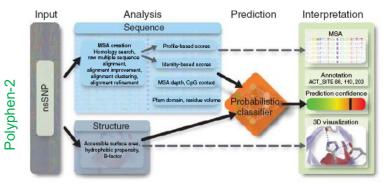
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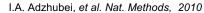
✓ANNOVAR

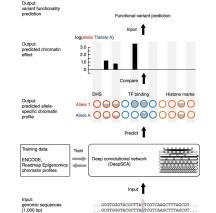
✓VEP

✓FATHMM-MKL

✓







Variant position

J. Zhou, O.G. Troyanskaya, Nat. Methods, 2015

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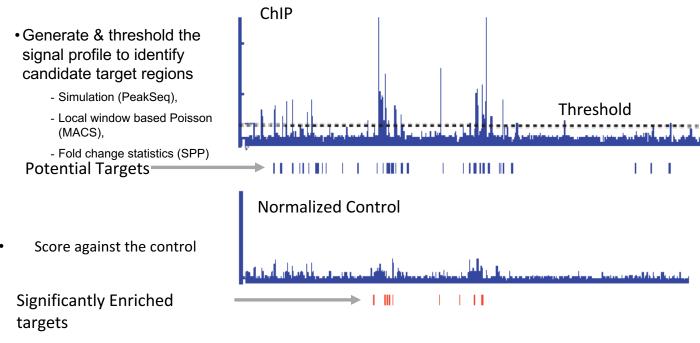
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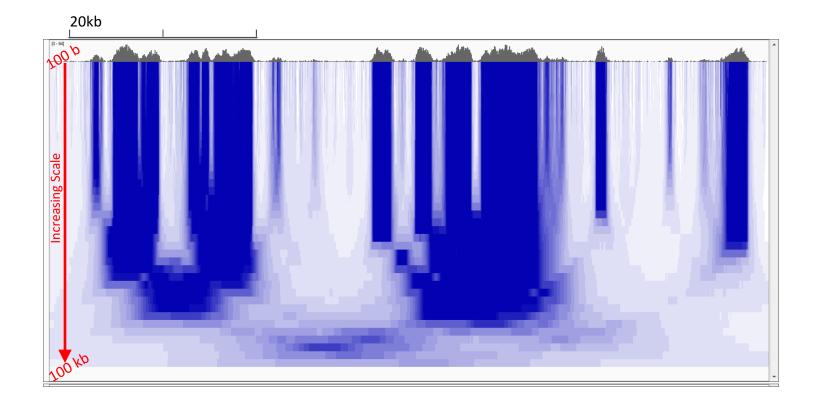
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Summarizing the Signal: "Traditional" ChipSeq Peak Calling

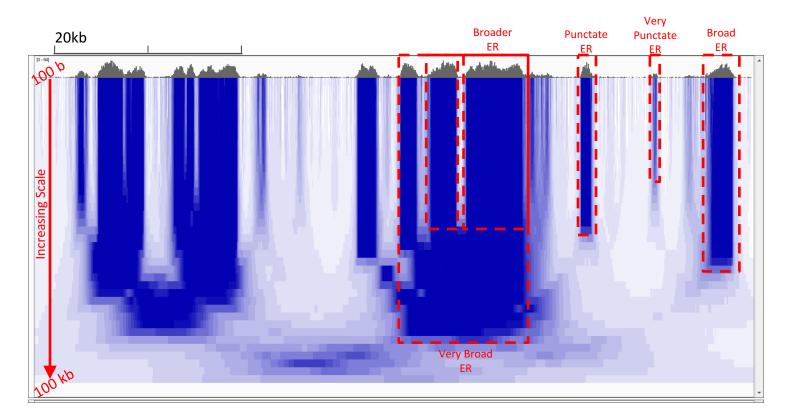


Now an update: "PeakSeq 2" => MUSIC

Multiscale Decomposition



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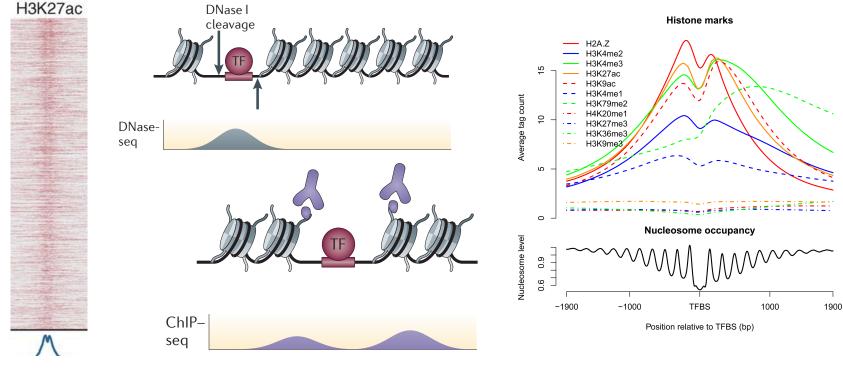
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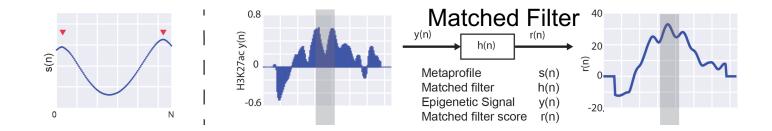
Unique shape associated histone signals flanking active enhancers identified through STARR-seq



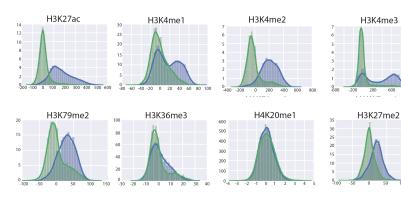
Arnold, et al., Science

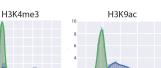
Shlyueva, et al., Nat Rev Genet

Matched Filter recognize shape patterns



Score STARR-seq regulatory regions VS random negatives





Positives

Negatives





Evaluate using ROC curve

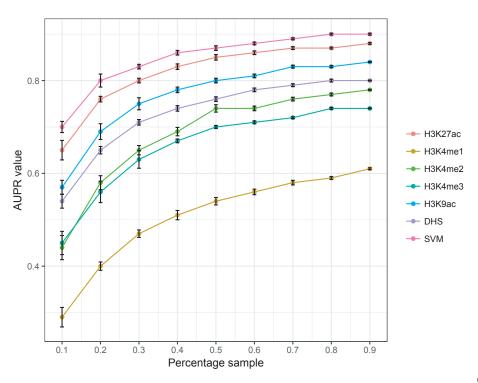


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Integrate matched filter scores of multiple features

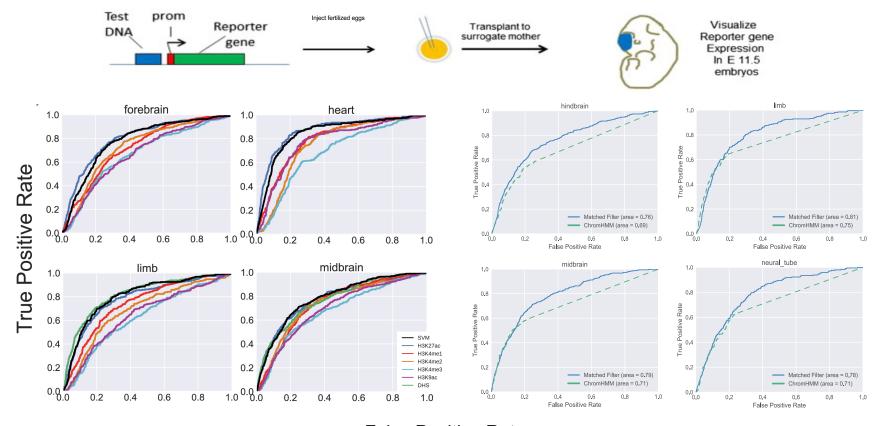
	Model	AUROC	AUPR
	Random Forest	0.96 (0.95)	0.91 (0.79)
	Ridge Regression	0.95 (0.94)	0.90 (0.77)
	Linear SVM	0.96 (0.95)	0.91 (0.78)
	Naive Bayes	0.95 (0.93)	0.89 (0.72)
Cross validation			
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Large scale STARR-seq experiment data helps to improve the performance of integrated model



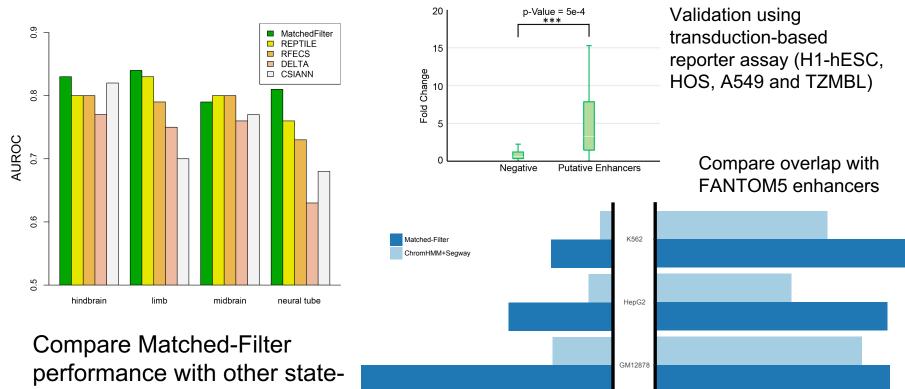
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Validation with transgenic mouse enhancer assay



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Matched-Filter can be applied across different organisms



0.10

Percentage overlapped with FANTOM5 enhancers

0.05

0.00

0.0

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0.15

of-the-art methods

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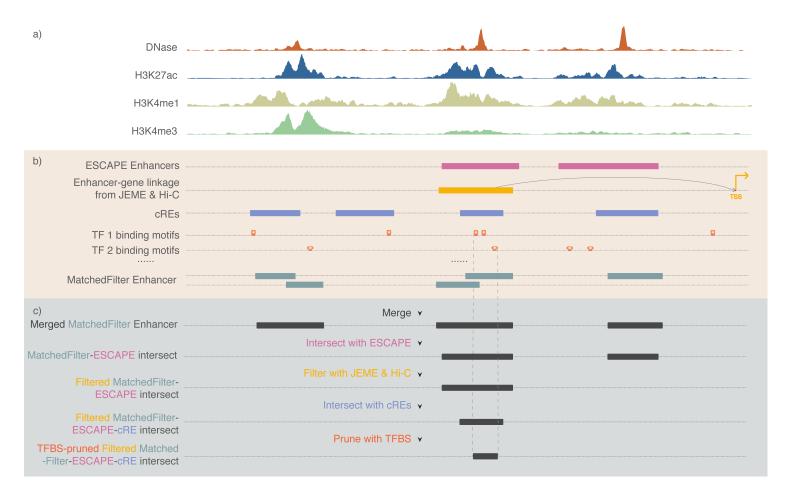
0.4

0.2

Percentage of FANTOM5 enhancers overlapped

0.3

Constructing a high-confidence set of cell-specific enhancers



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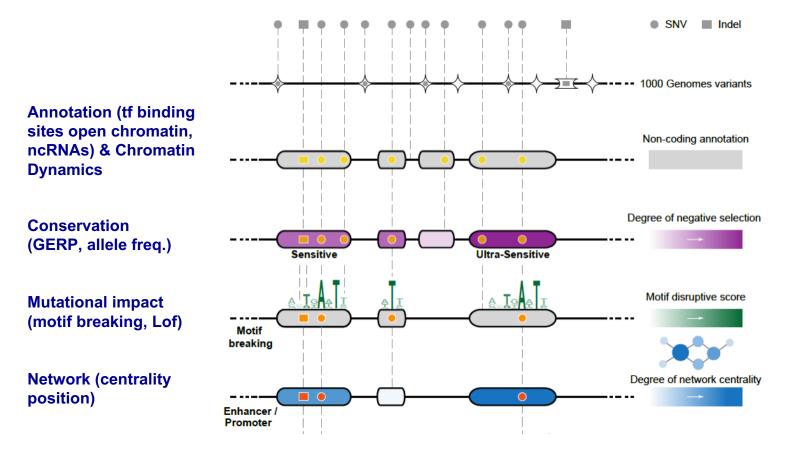
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Funseq: a flexible framework to determine functional impact & use this to prioritize variants

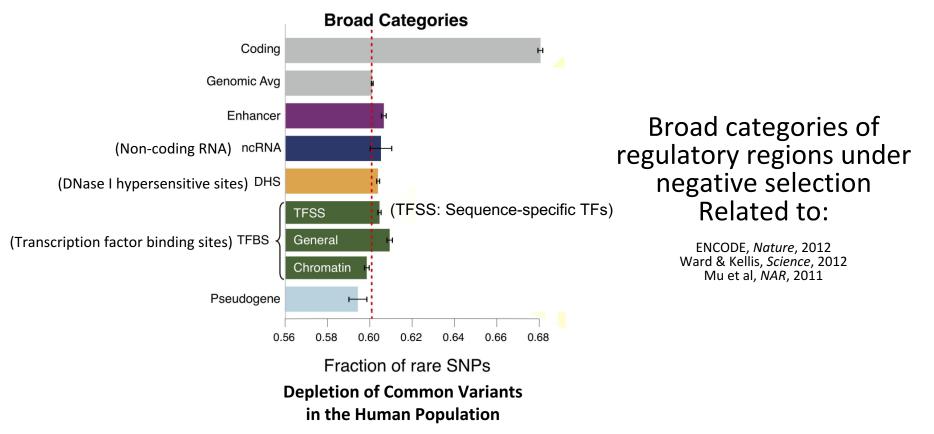


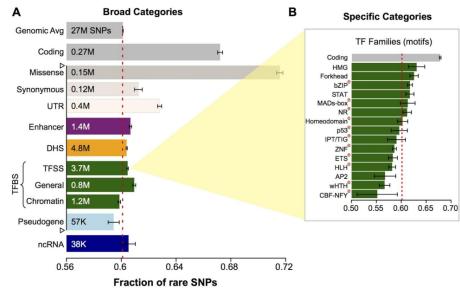
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Finding "Conserved" Sites in the Human Population:

Negative selection in non-coding elements based on Production ENCODE & 1000G Phase 1



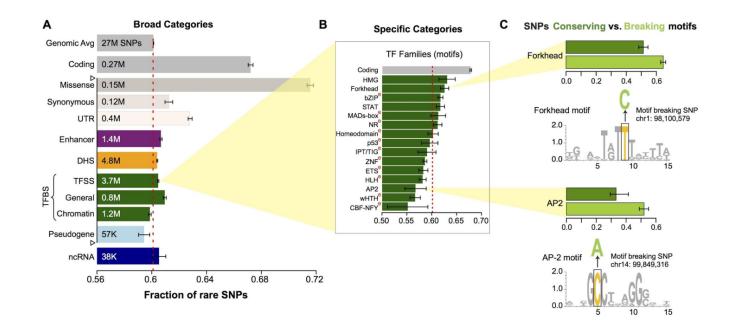


Differential selective constraints among specific sub-categories

Sub-categorization possible because of better statistics from 1000G phase 1 v pilot

[Khurana et al., Science ('13)]

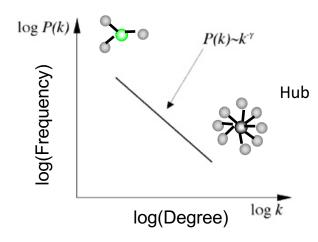
SNPs which break TF motifs are under stronger selection



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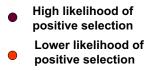
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Power-law distribution



Hubs Under Constraint: A Finding from the Network Biology Community

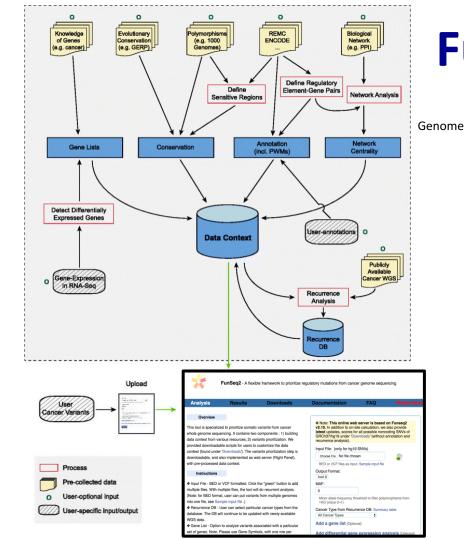
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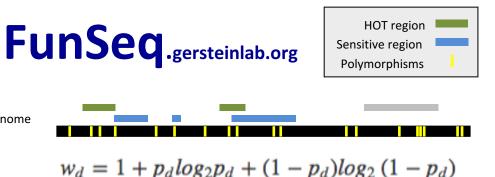


- Not under positive selection
- No data about
 positive selection

[Nielsen et al. *PLoS Biol.* (2005), HPRD, Kim et al. PNAS (2007)]

- <u>More Connectivity, More Constraint:</u> Genes & proteins that have a more central position in the network tend to evolve more slowly and are more likely to be essential.
- This phenomenon is observed in many organisms & different kinds of networks
 - **yeast PPI** Fraser et al ('02) Science, ('03) BMC Evo. Bio.
 - Ecoli PPI Butland et al ('04) Nature
 - Worm/fly PPI Hahn et al ('05) MBE
 - miRNA net Cheng et al ('09) BMC Genomics





- Info. theory based method (ie annotation "surprisal") for weighting consistently many genomic features
- Practical web server
- Submission of variants & precomputed large data context from uniformly processing large-scale datasets

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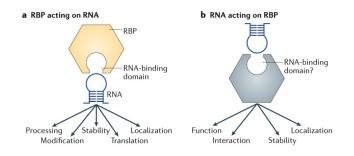
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RNA Binding Proteins (RBPs)

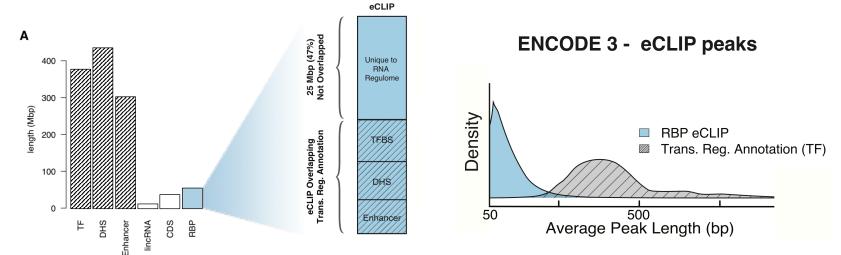


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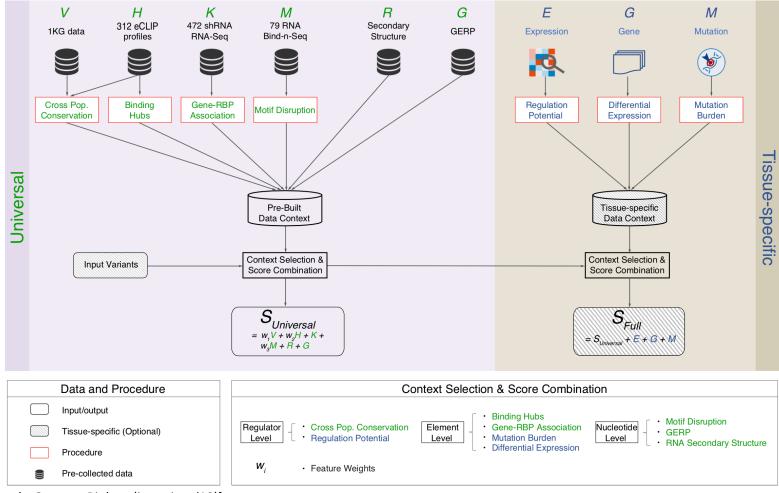


 ENCODE3 did ~350 focused eCLIP expt. for >110 RBPs on HepG2 & K562 (Van Nostrand...Yeo. Nat. Meth. '16; Van Nostrand...Graveley, Yeo (submitted in relation to ENCODE3))

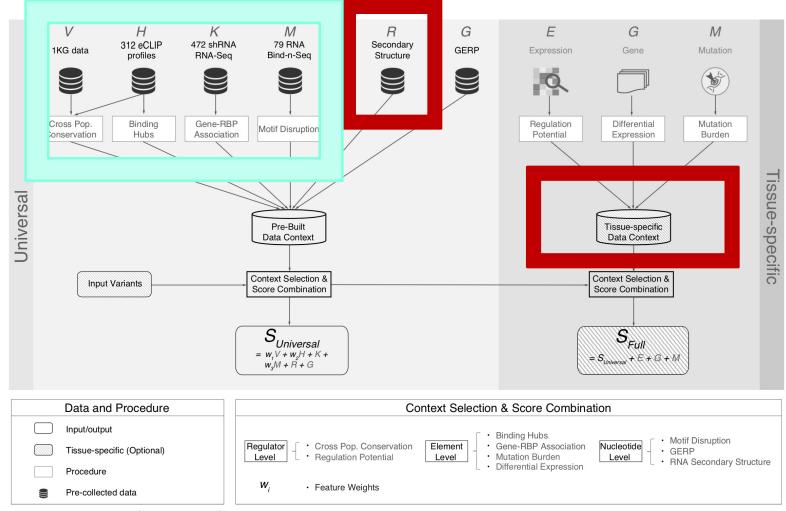


[Zhang*, Liu* et al., Genome Biology (in review '18)]

Schematic of RADAR Scoring



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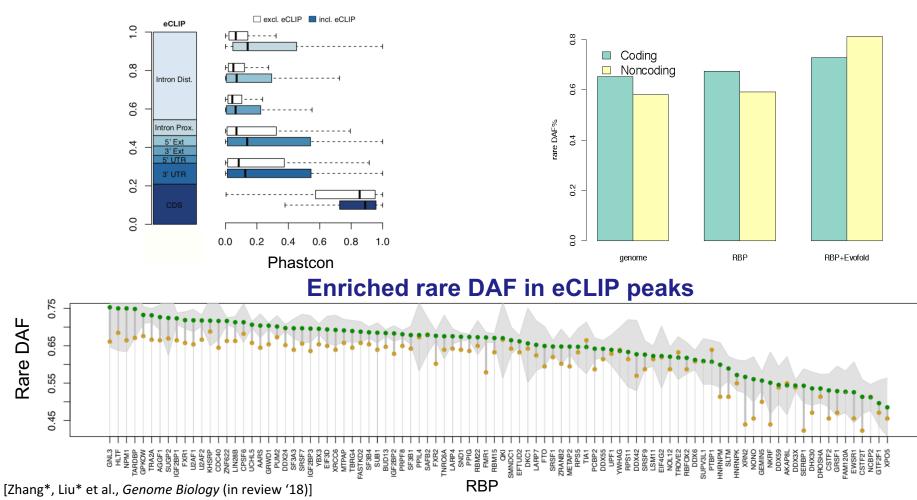


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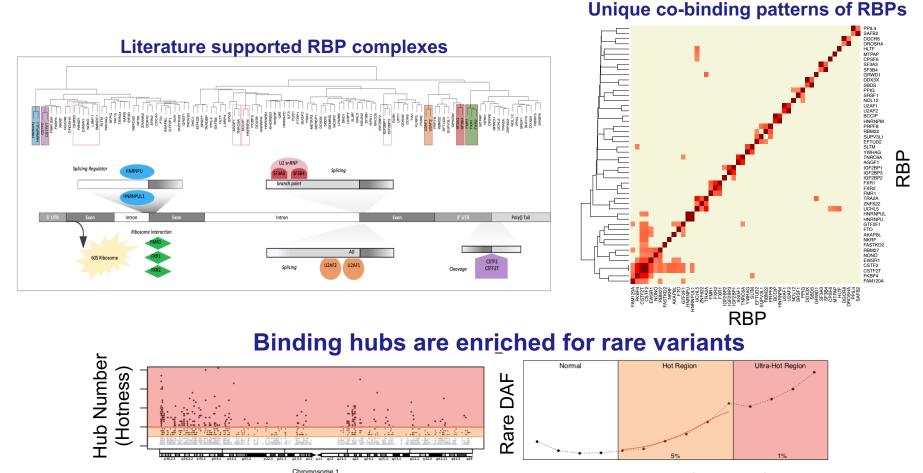
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RNA Structure Cons. from Evofold



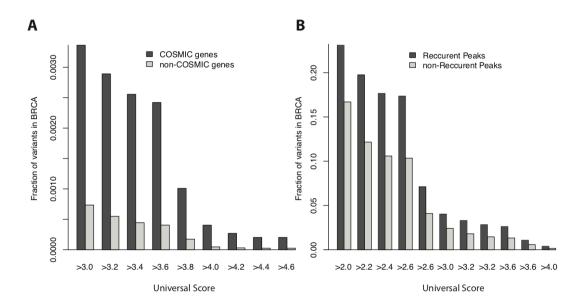
Co-binding of RBPs form biologically relevant complexes



[Zhang*, Liu* et al., Genome Biology (in review '18)]

Hub Number (Hotness)

Validation for Somatic Variants: RADAR Scores enriched in COSMIC genes & recurrently mutated regions + higher for tissue matched context



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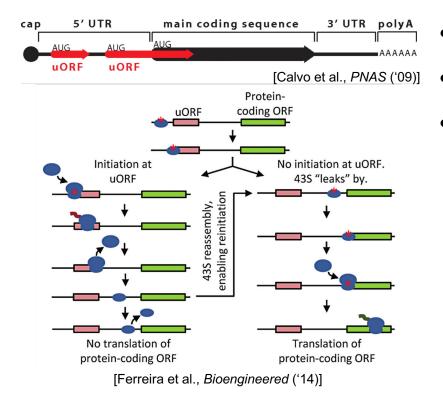
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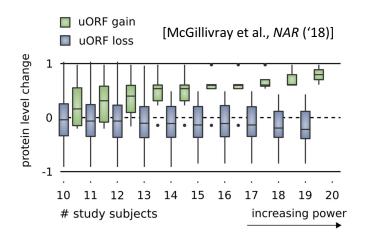
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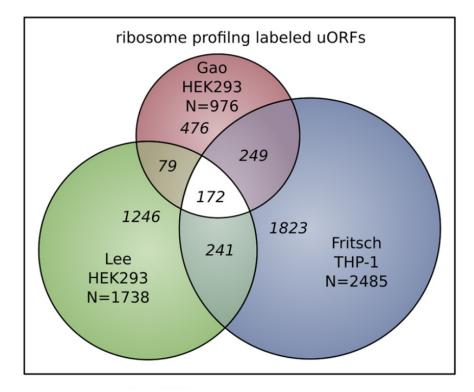
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Upstream open reading frames (uORFs) regulate translation are affected by somatic mutation



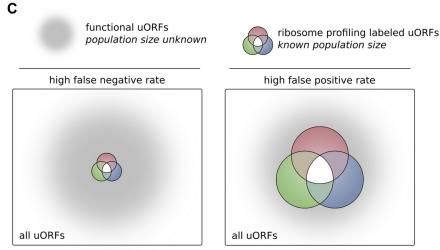
- uORFs regulate the translation of downstream coding regions.
- This regulation may be altered by somatic mutation in cancer.
- In Battle et al. 2014 data uORF gain & loss assoc. protein level change.





From a "Universe" of 1.3 M pot. uORFs

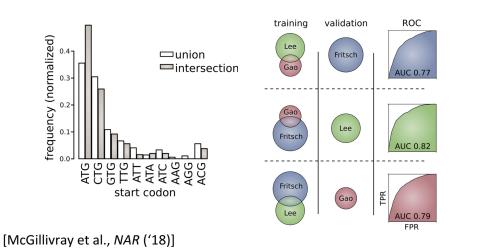
The population of functional uORFs may be significant

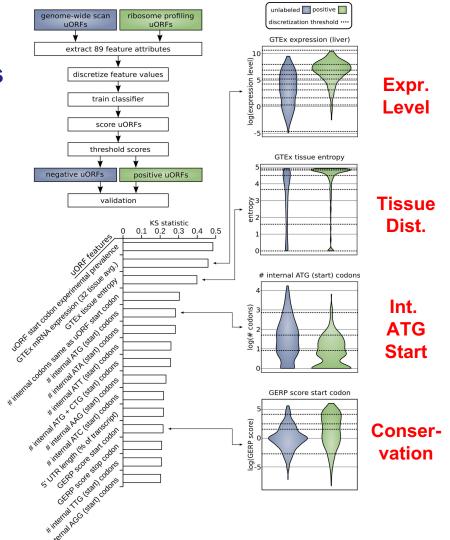


- Ribosome profiling experiments have low overlap in identified uORFs.
- This suggests high false-negative rate, and more functional uORFs than currently known.

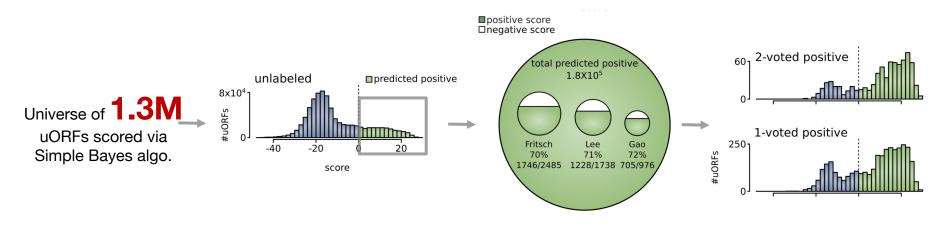
Prediction & validation of functional uORFs using 89 features

- All near-cognate start codons predicted.
- Cross-validation on independent ribosome profiling datasets and validation using in vivo protein levels and ribosome occupancy in humans (Battle et al. 2014).





A comprehensive catalog of functional uORFs



- Predicted functional uORFs may be intersected with disease associated variants.
- **180K**: Large predicted positive set likely to affect translation
- Calibration on gold standards, suggests getting ~70% of known

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Cancer Somatic Mutation Modeling

PARAMETRIC MODELS

Model 1: Constant Background Mutation Rate (Model from Previous Work) $x_i : Binomial(n_i, p)$

Model 2a: Varying Mutation Rate with Single Covariate Correction

- x_i : Binomial (n_i, p_i)
- p_i : Beta $(\mu | R_i, \sigma | R_i)$
- $\mu | R_i, \sigma | R_i$: constant within the same covariate rank

Model 2b: Varying Mutation Rate with Multiple Covariate Correction x_i : Binomial (n_i, p_i)

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- Suppose there are k genome elements. For element i, define:
 - n;: total number of nucleotides
 - x; the number of mutations within the element
 - p: the mutation rate
 - $-R_i$: the covariate rank of the element
 - Non-parametric model is useful when covariate data is missing for the studied annotations
 - Also sidesteps issue of properly identifying and modeling every relevant covariate (possibly hundreds)

NON-PARAMETRIC MODELS

Assume constant background mutation rate in local regions.

Model 3a: Random Permutation of Input Annotations

Shuffle annotations within local region to assess background mutation rate.

Model 3b: Random Permutation of Input Variants

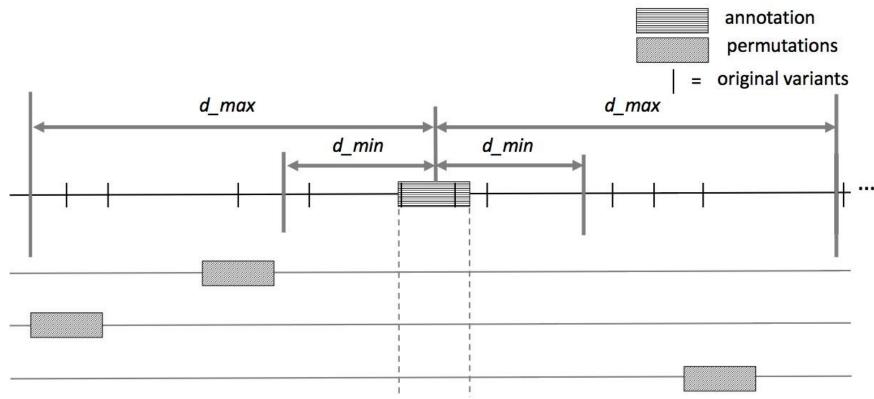
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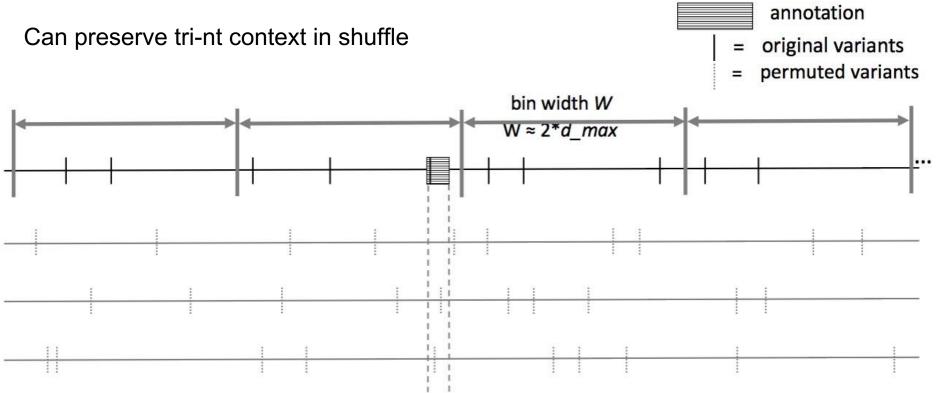
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[Lochovsky et al. NAR ('15)]

MOAT-a: Annotation-based permutation



MOAT-v: Variant-based Permutation



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MOAT-s: a variant on MOAT-v

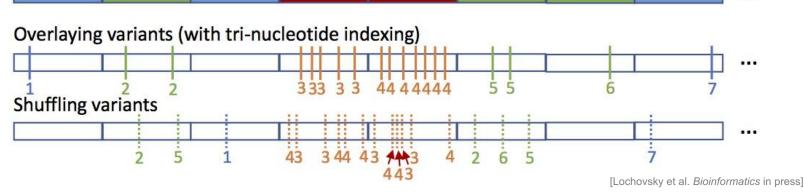
- A somatic variant simulator
 - Given a set of input variants, shuffle to new locations, taking genome structure into account

original variantspermuted variants

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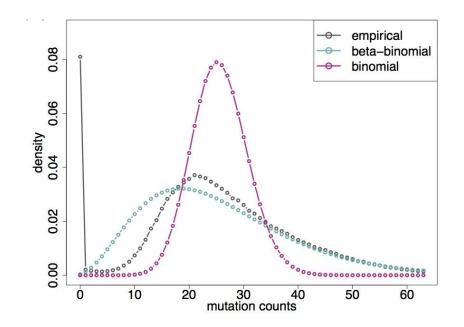
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Binning whole genome
Marking equivalence classes (bins with similar covariate vectors)

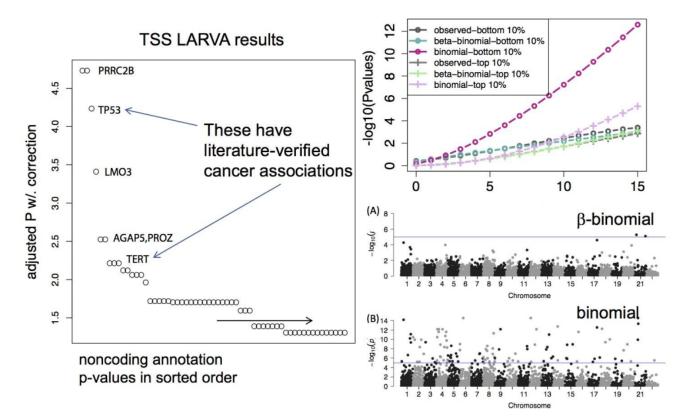


LARVA Model Comparison

- Comparison of mutation count frequency implied by the binomial model (model 1) and the beta-binomial model (model 2) relative to the empirical distribution
- The beta-binomial distribution is significantly better, especially for accurately modeling the over-dispersion of the empirical distribution



LARVA Results



MOAT: recapitulates LARVA with GPU-driven runtime scalability

Gene Name	Documented role with cancer	Pubmed ID
SLC3A1	Cysteine transporter SLC3A1 promotes breast cancer tumorigenesis	28382174
ADRA2B	reduce cancer cell proliferation, invasion, and migration	25026350
SIL1	subtype-specific proteins in breast cancer	23386393
TCF24	NA	NA
AGAP5	significant mutation hotspots in cancer	25261935
TMPRSS13	Type II transmembrane serine proteases in cancer and viral infections	19581128
ERO1L	Overexpression of ERO1L is Associated with Poor Prognosis of Gastric Cancer	26987398

MOAT's high mutation burden elements recapitulate LARVA's results & published noncoding cancer-associated elements.

Computational efficiency of MOAT's NVIDIA[™] CUDA[™] version, with respect to the number of permutations, is dramatically enhanced compared to CPU version.

Number of permutations	Fold speedup of CUDA version
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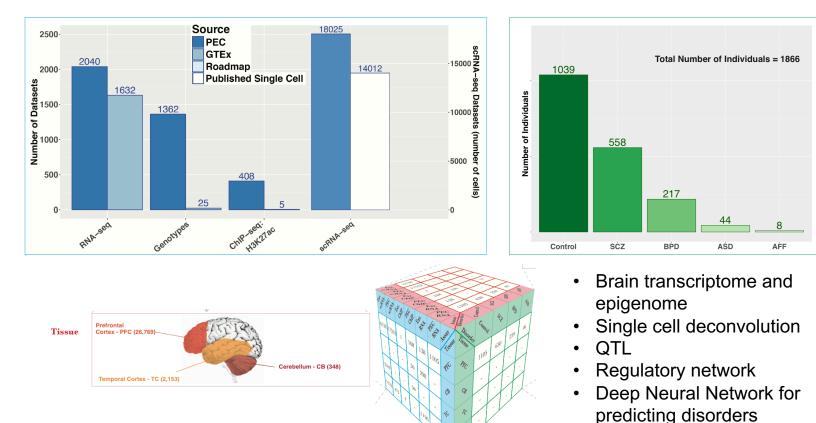
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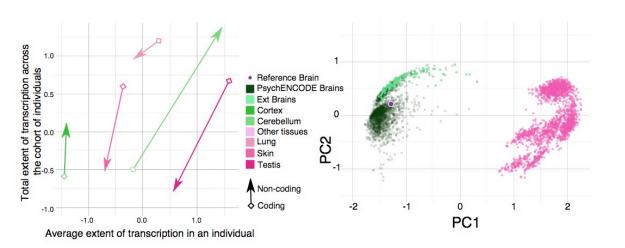
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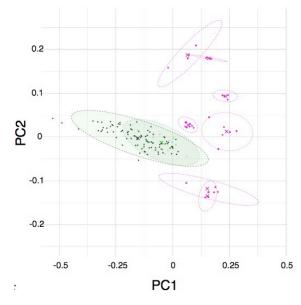
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Multi-omics of PsychENCODE & other consortia to understand functional genomics in brain disorders



Brain specific transcriptome and epigenome from comparative analysis





Transcriptome

Epigenome (~79,000 brain enhancers)

Single cell deconvolution Step 1: unsupervised learning to see cell types

Single cell signatures

PNAS, 2015)

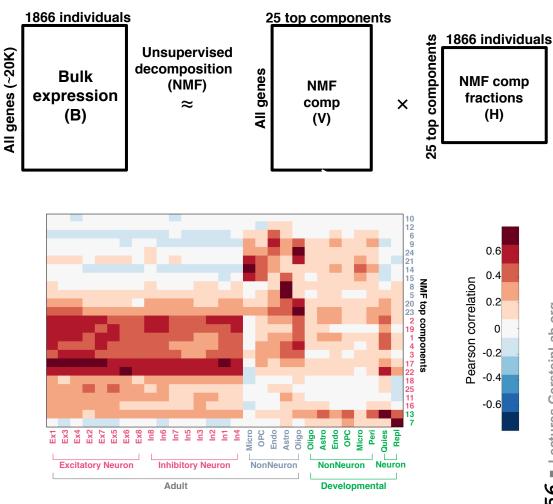
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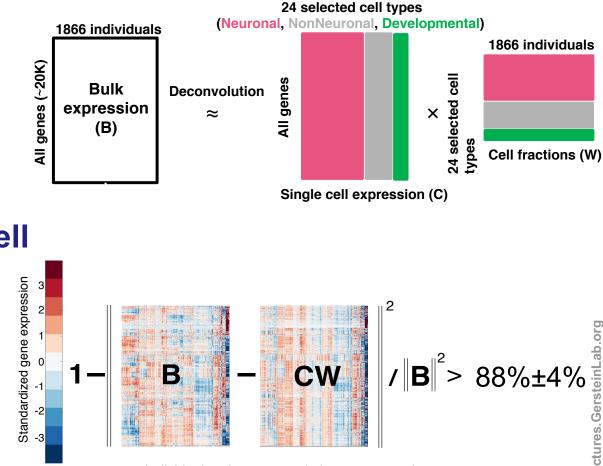
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Single cell deconvolution **Step 2: supervised** learning to estimate cell fractions

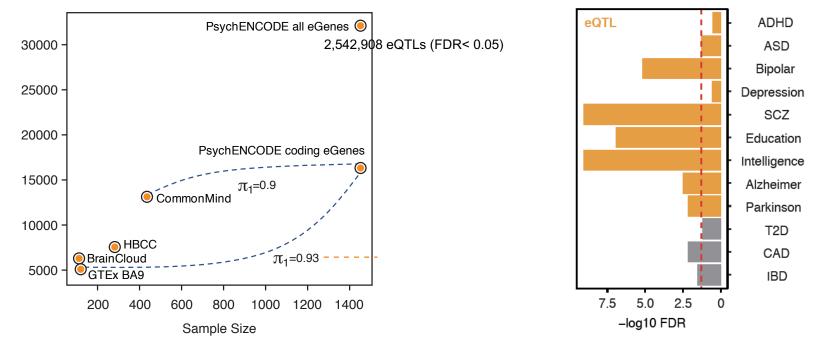


Individual and cross-population reconstruction accuracy via deconvolution

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Larger Brain eQTL sets than previous studies

GWAS enrichment



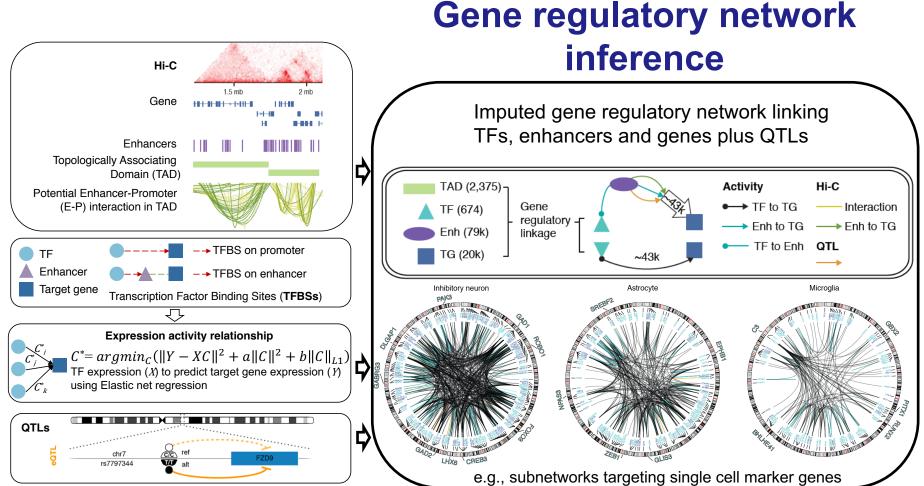
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cQTL*	8,464	8,484	7,983	
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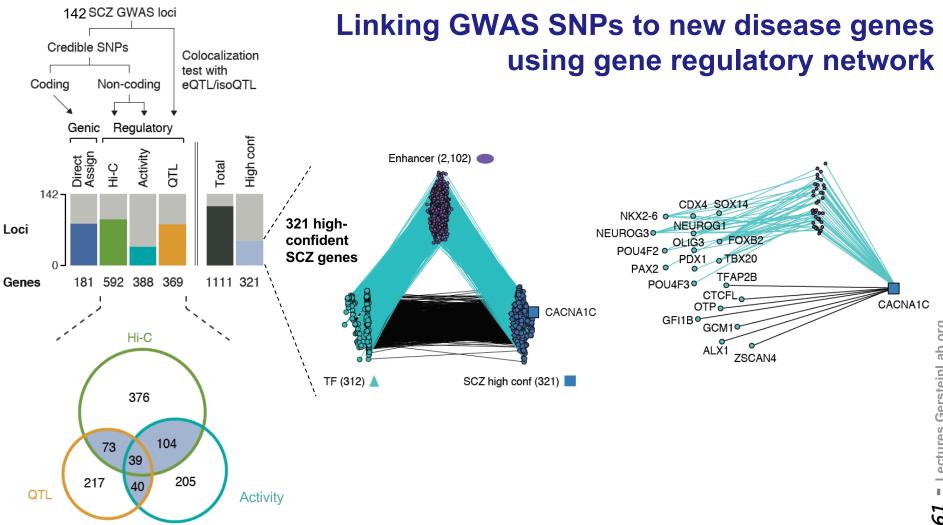
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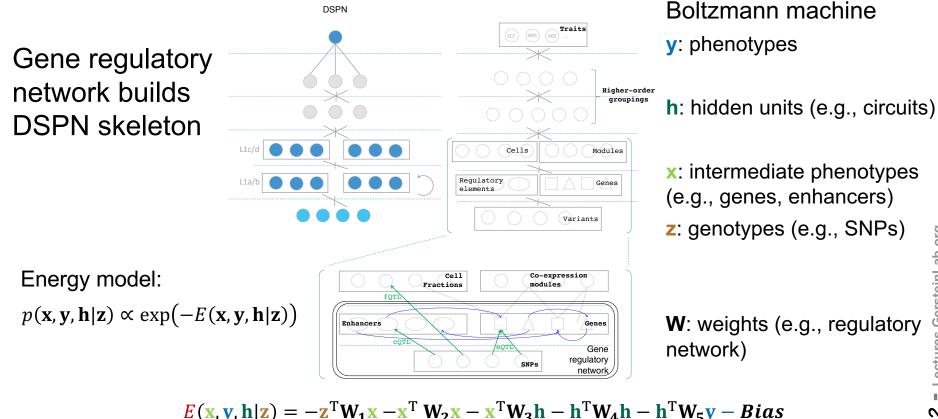
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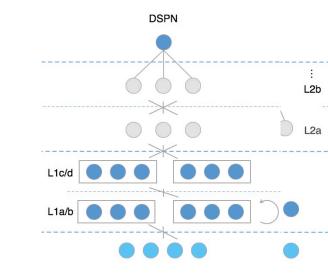
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Deep Structured Phenotype Network (DSPN)



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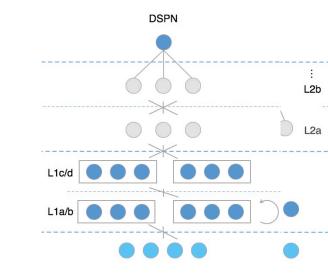


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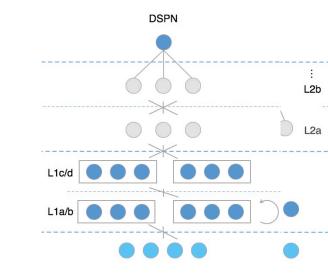


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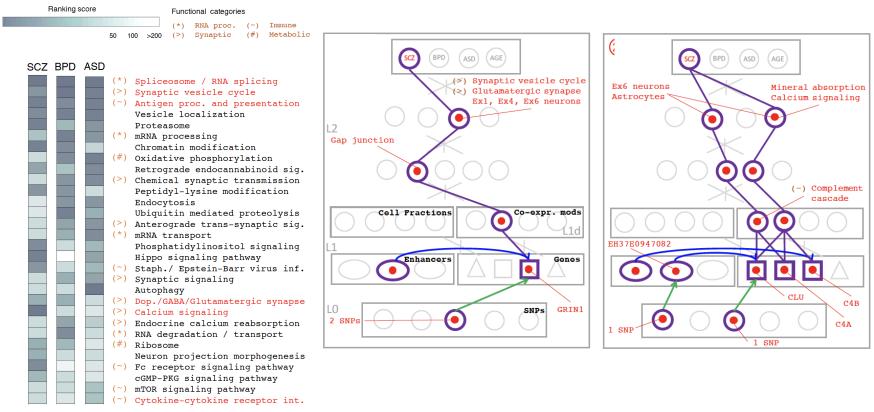
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