

# Genetics 211 - 2018

## Lecture 1

Genome Sequencing

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# Overview of My Lectures

- Genome Sequencing (Lecture 1)
  - Sanger Sequencing
    - Whole Genome Sequencing
    - Sequencing Theory
    - Genome Assembly
  - High Throughput Sequencing Technologies
    - Illumina
    - PacBio
    - Oxford Nanopore
- Short Read Genome (Re)sequencing (Lecture 2)
  - Making DNA sequence libraries
  - Data formats
  - Read alignment
  - Variant calling
  - *De novo* assembly from short reads
  - Gaining longer contiguity information
- Functional Genomics (Lecture 3)
  - Chromatin state
  - ChIP-Seq and Transcription factor binding sites
- Expression
  - RNA-Seq
  - Cluster Analysis

# What to Sequence and Why?

Structure



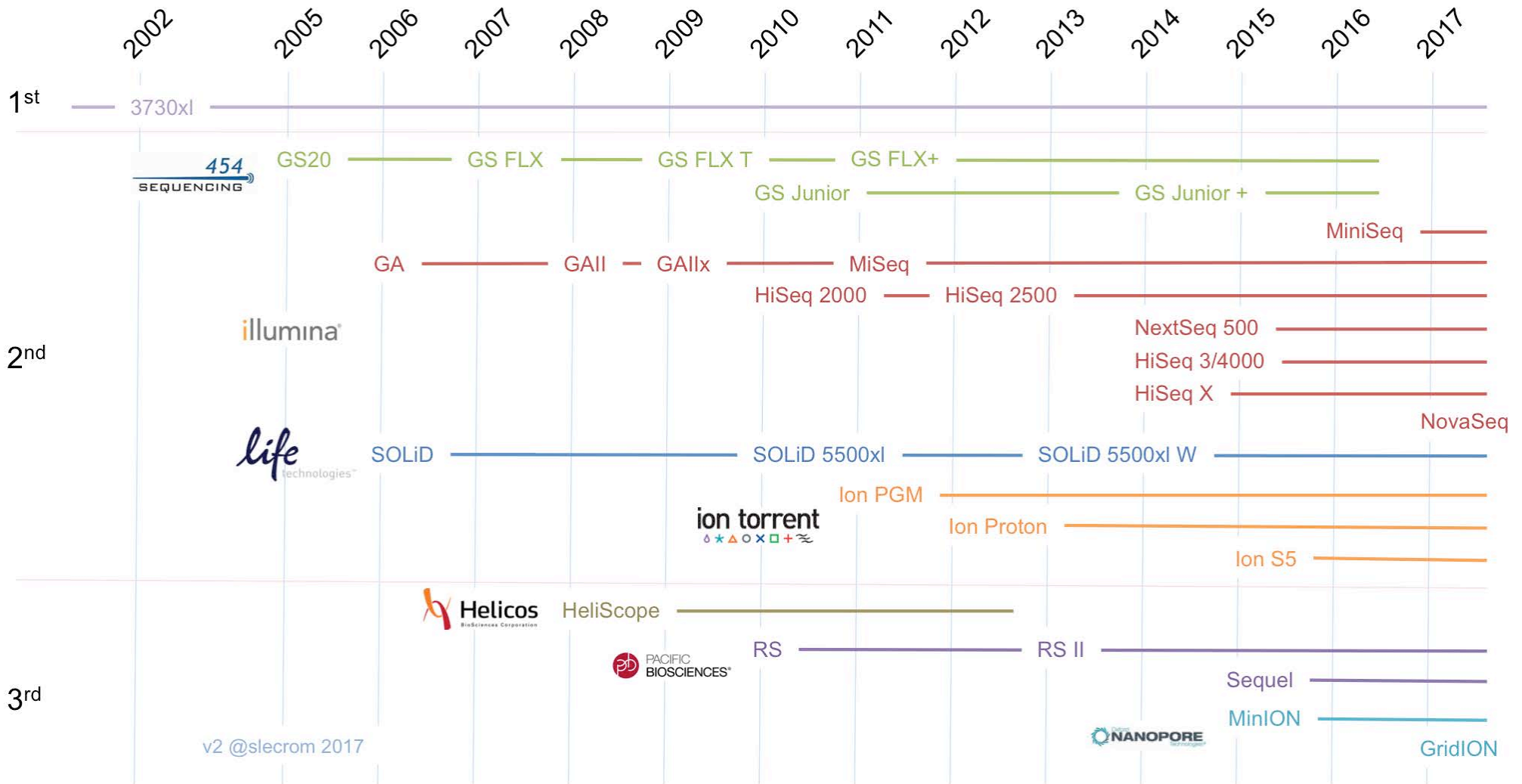
Function

- ***De novo* whole genome sequencing**
  - requires *de novo* whole genome assembly
- **Polymorphism discovery** (distinct from genotyping)
  - Targeted approaches (exome)
  - Whole genome
  - SNPs, copy number variations, insertions, deletions, etc.
- **Expressed sequence discovery and functional genomics**
  - Expression profiling/RNA-Seq
  - ChIP
  - Nucleosome positioning
  - RNA editing
  - Hi-C
  - etc.

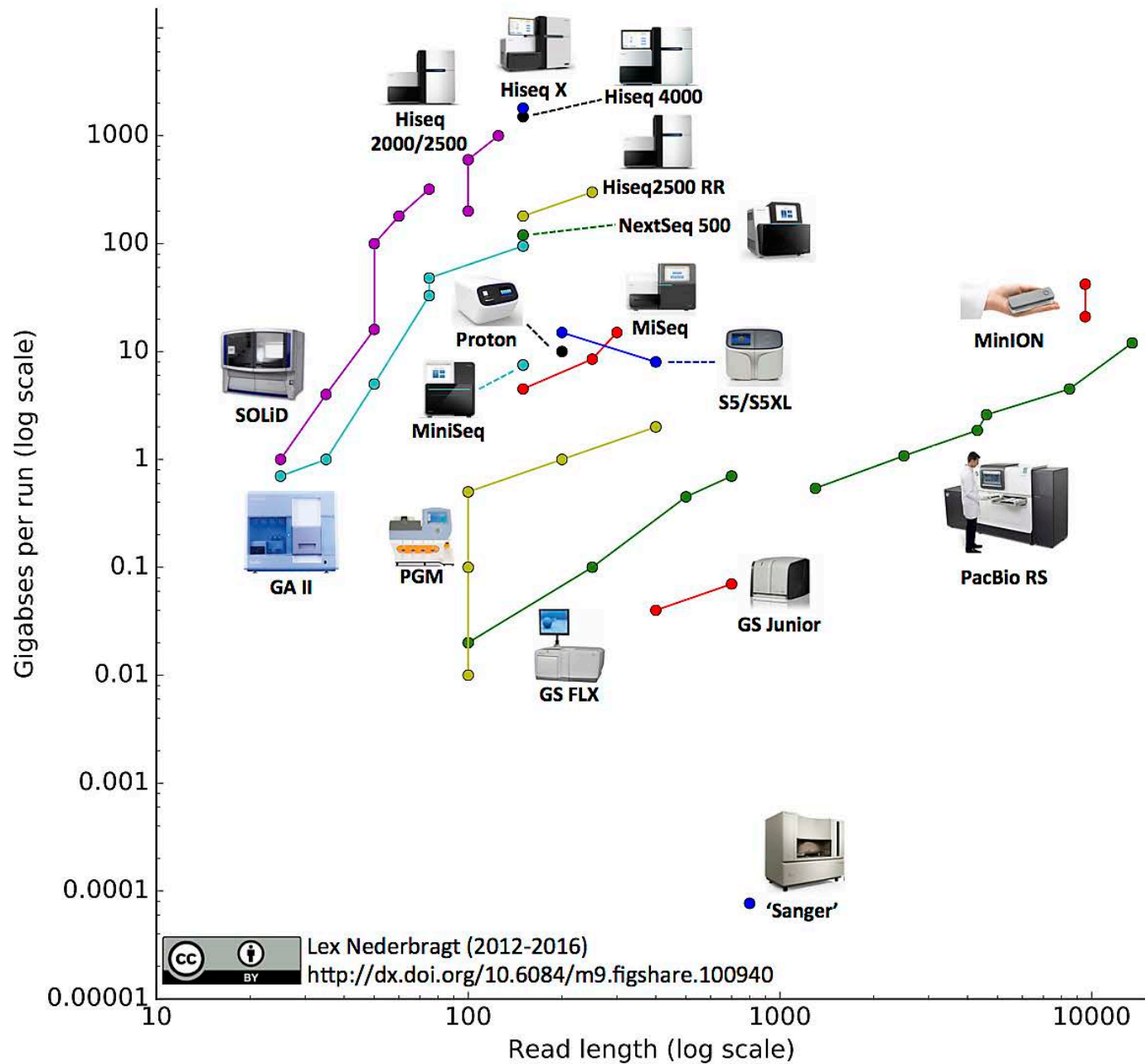
# Four Fundamentally Different Approaches to DNA Sequencing

- Chemical degradation of DNA
  - Maxam-Gilbert
  - obsolete
- Sequencing by synthesis (“SBS”)
  - uses DNA polymerase in a primer extension reaction
  - most common approach
  - Sanger developed it (“Sanger sequencing”)
  - Illumina, Pacific Biosciences, Ion Torrent, 454
- Ligation-based
  - sequencing using short probes that hybridize to the template
  - SOLiD, Complete Genomics
- Nanopore
  - Inferring sequence by change in electrical current as ssDNA is pulled through a nanopore
  - Oxford Nanopore, NABsys, Genia, Illumina

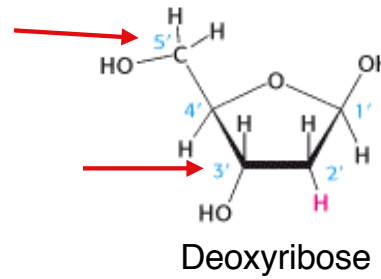
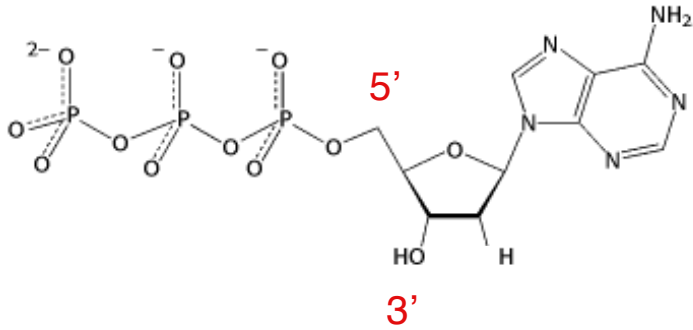
# Commercially Available Sequencers Timeline



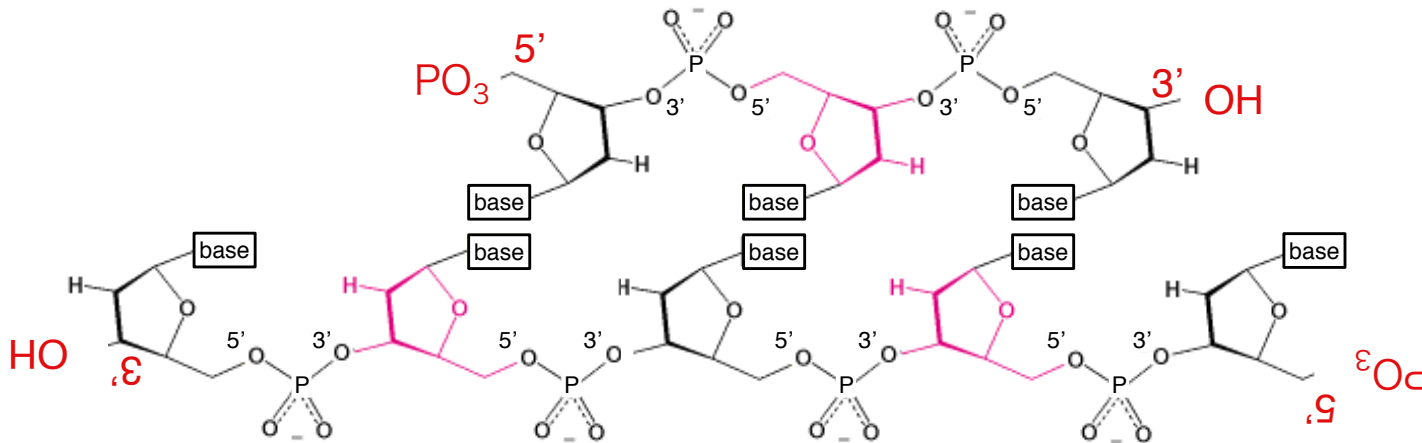
# Developments in Sequencing



# 5' and 3'



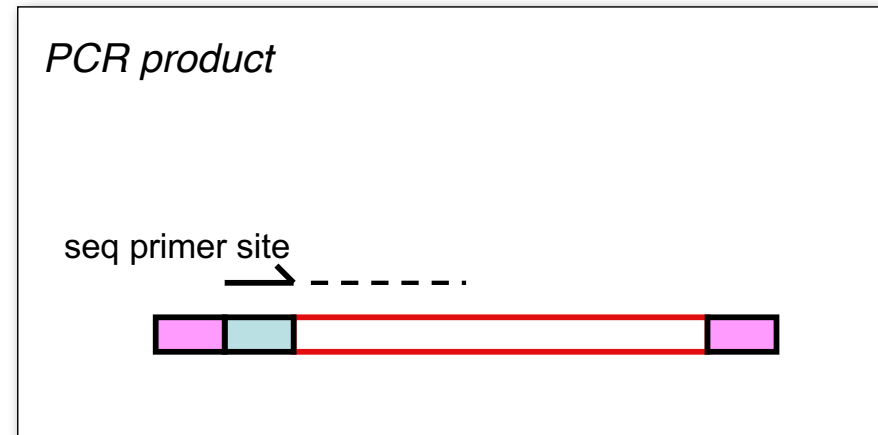
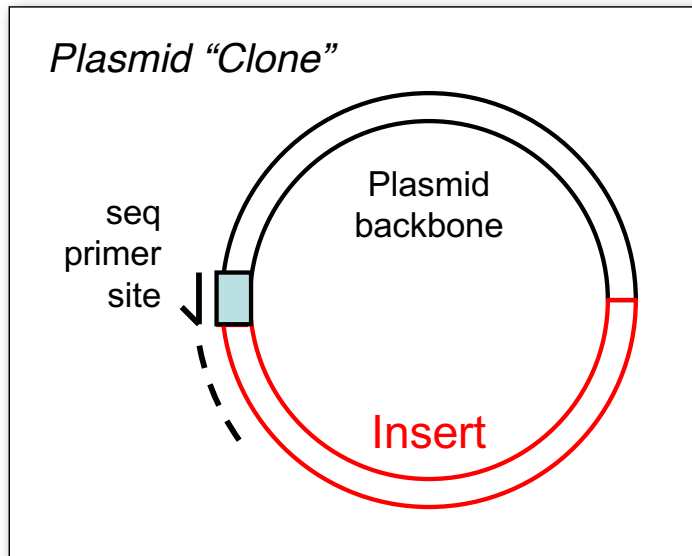
Base	plus sugar
	"nucleoside"
Adenine	Adenosine
Guanine	Guanosine
Cytosine	Cytidine
Thymine	Thymidine
in DNA: "deoxyadenosine"	
plus triphosphate	
"deoxynucleotide"	
"2'-deoxyadenosine 5'-triphosphate" = dATP	



← Antiparallel

If I throw in DNA polymerase and free nucleotide, which end gets extended?

# Sanger Sequencing Templates



Watson 5' .. T A G C G T C A G C T .. 3'  
 Crick 3' .. A T C G C A G T C G A .. 5'

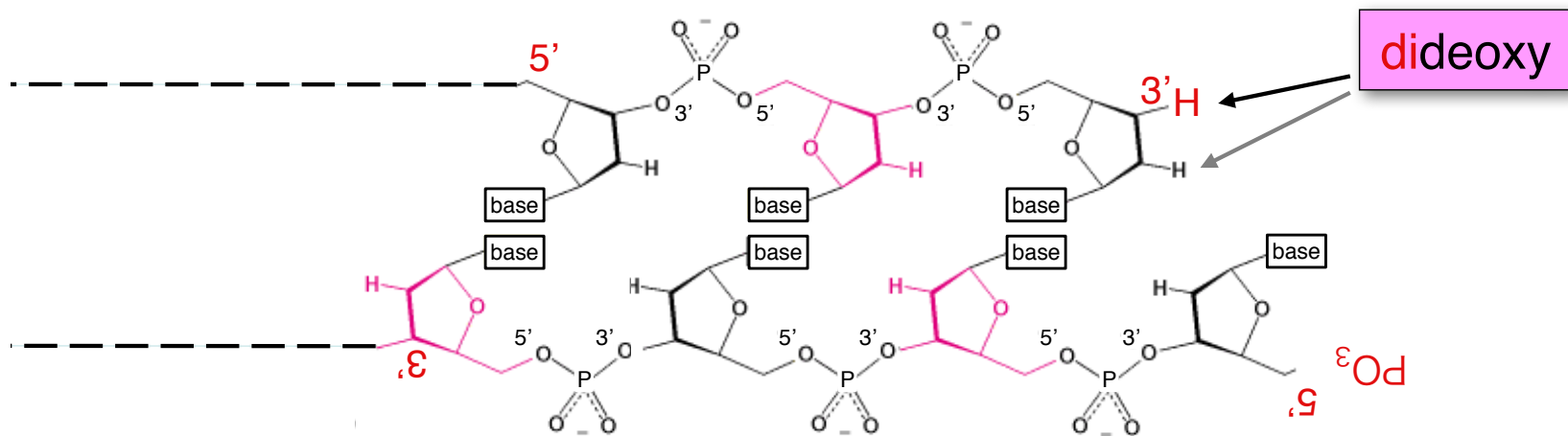
5' Primer T A G C G 3' ----->  
 3' .. A T C G C A G T C G A C .. 5'

In Sanger sequencing, Crick is the template and Watson's synthesis starts at the primer's 3'OH

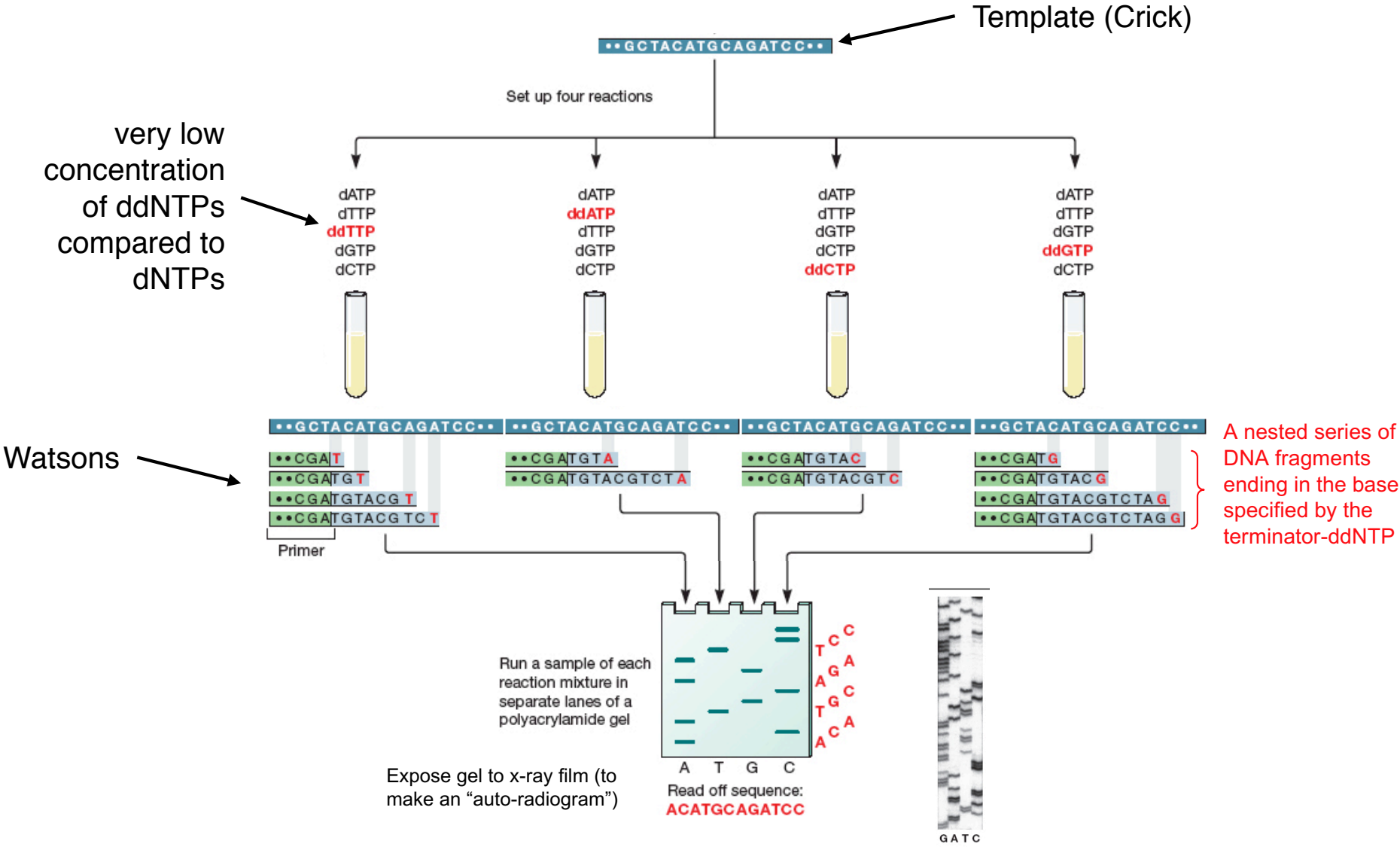


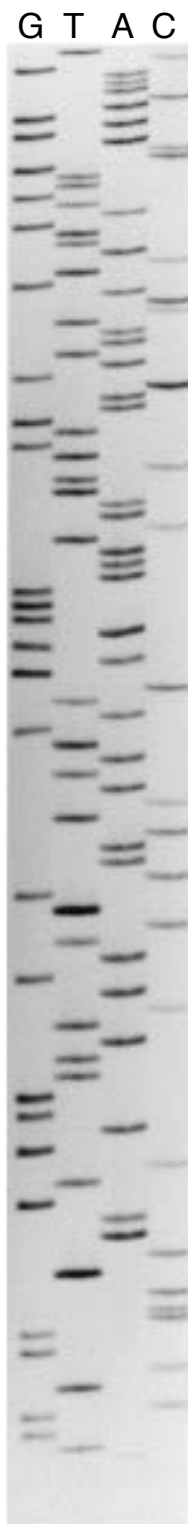
# The Chain Terminator

- Dideoxy nucleotides cannot be further extended, and so terminate the sequence chain



# Original Sanger Sequencing with Radioactive Signal





## This is great, but...

Wouldn't it be great to run everything in one lane?

- Save space and time, more efficient

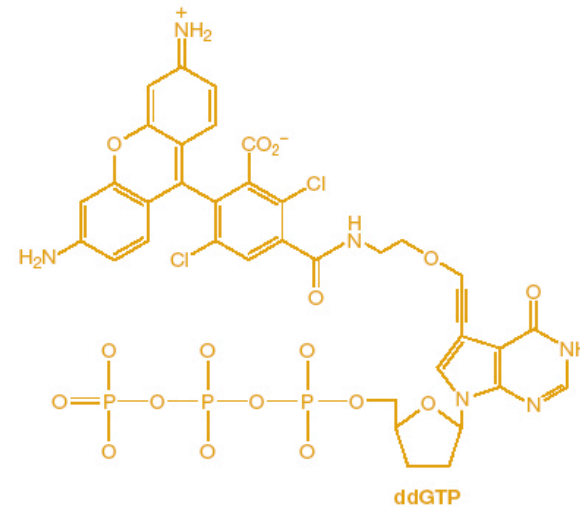
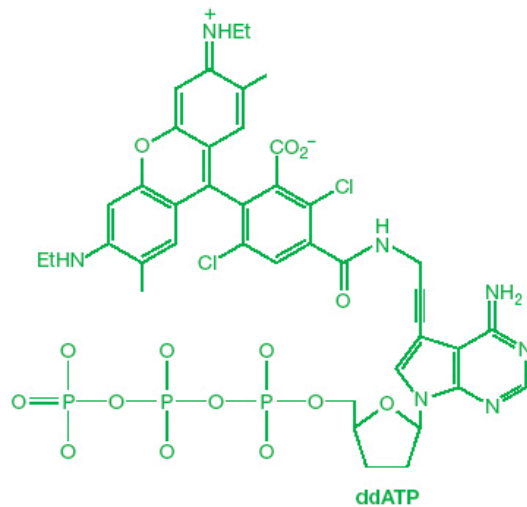
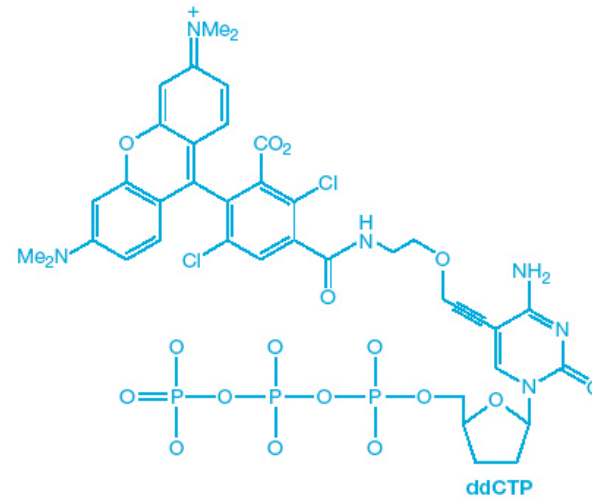
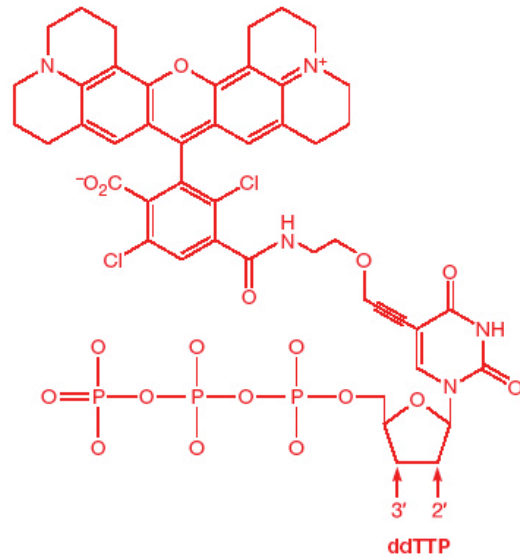
Also, would be nice to read everything at the same point in the gel

- Unable to read sequence near the top, as the bands get closer and closer together.

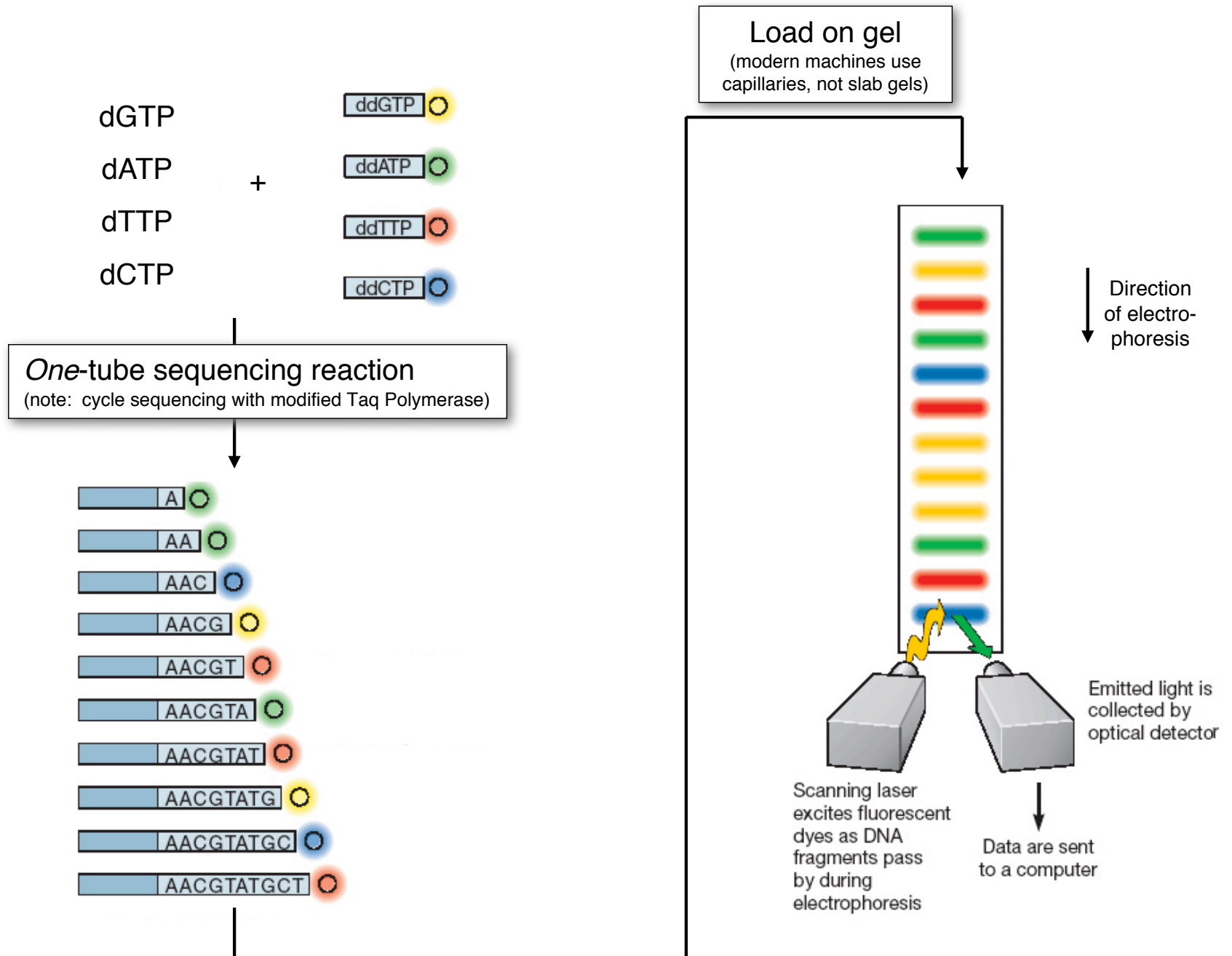
Fluorescently label the ddNTPs so that they each appear a different color, and can be read by a laser at a fixed point

# Fluorescent Sanger Sequencing: “Dye-terminators”

Each of the 4 ddNTPs is labeled with a different fluorescent dye (instead of radioactivity)



# Fluorescent Sanger Sequencing



# Fluorescent Sanger Sequencing Trace

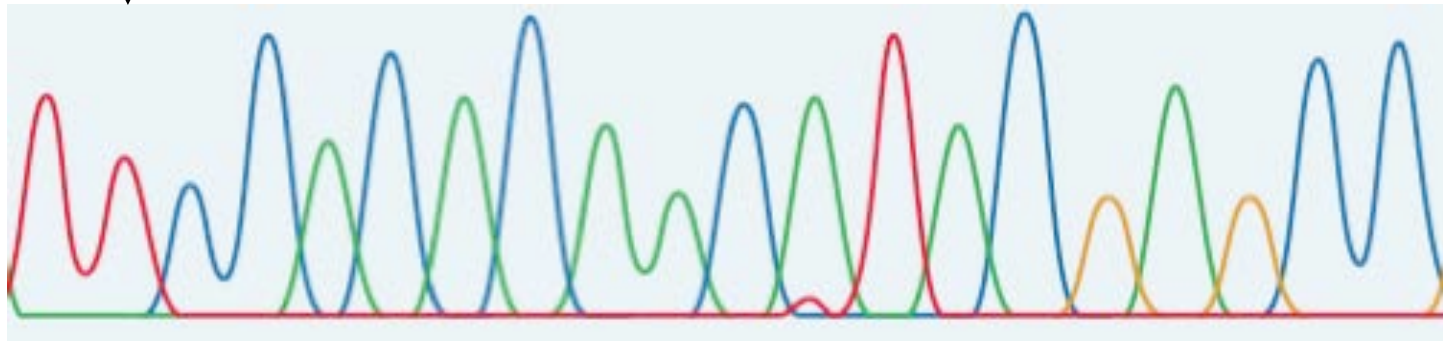
Lane signal



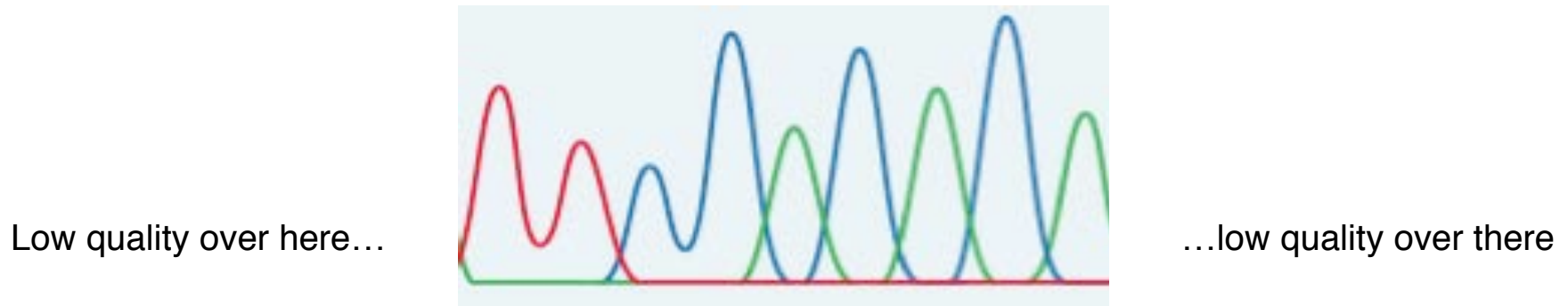
(Real fluorescent signals from a lane/capillary are much uglier than this).

Various algorithms to boost signal/noise, correct for dye-effects, mobility differences, etc., generates the 'final' trace (for each capillary of the run)

Trace



# Sanger Base Calling



↓  
Base Caller (Phred)

... 44 45 46 47 48 49 50 51 52 53 54 55 ... 718 719 720 ...  
... N A G C G T T C C G C G ... A N N ...  
... 0 3 20 25 40 88 95 99 99 99 99 99 ... 10 0 0 ...

Quality score =  $-10 * \log(\text{probability of error})$  or  $P=10^{-Q/10}$   
For Q20, probability of error = 1/100  
For Q99, probability of error  $\sim 10^{-10}$

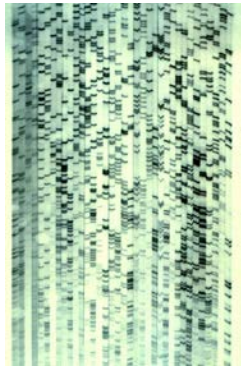
# Phred: *The* base-calling program

- Algorithm based on ideas about what might go wrong in a sequencing reaction and in electrophoresis
- Tested the algorithm on a huge dataset of “gold standard” sequences (finished human and *C. elegans* sequences generated by highly-redundant sequencing)
- Compared the results of phred with the ABI Basecaller
- Phred was considerably more accurate (40-50% fewer errors), particularly for indels and particularly for the higher quality sequences

(Ewing et al., 1998, *Genome Research* 8: 175-185; Ewing and Green 1998, *Genome Research* 8: 186-194)



# Progress of Sanger Sequencing Technology



Radioactive polyacrylamide slab gel  
Low throughput, labor intensive



AB slab gel sequencers (370, 373, 377)  
Fluorescent sequencing  
1990-1999  
6 runs/day  
96 reads/run  
500 bp/read  
288,000 bp/day



AB capillary sequencers (3700, 3730)  
1998-now  
24 runs/day  
96 reads/run  
550 – 1,000 bp/read  
1-2 million bp/day

~1,000-fold increase in throughput since 1985 accomplished by incremental improvements of the same underlying technology

2<sup>nd</sup> Generation Sequencing Technologies have up to 1e6x more throughput than 3730

# Whole Genome Sequencing

- Two main challenges:
  - Getting sufficient “coverage” of the genome
    - A function of read length, number of reads, complexity of library, and size of genome
  - Assembling the sequence reads into a complete genome
    - A function of coverage, and repeat size (relative to read lengths) and repeat frequency

# How much sequence do you need?

- Let  $L$  = read Length;  $G$  = Genome size.
- Assume  $L \ll G$ .
- $P_{\text{obs\_with\_a\_given\_read}} = L/G$
- $P_{\text{not\_obs\_with\_a\_given\_read}} = 1 - L/G$
- $P_{\text{not\_obs\_with\_N\_reads}} = (1 - L/G)^N$
- $P_{\text{covered\_by\_at\_least\_one\_read}} = 1 - (1 - L/G)^N$
- Rearranging gives:  $N = \ln(1 - P) / \ln(1 - L/G)$

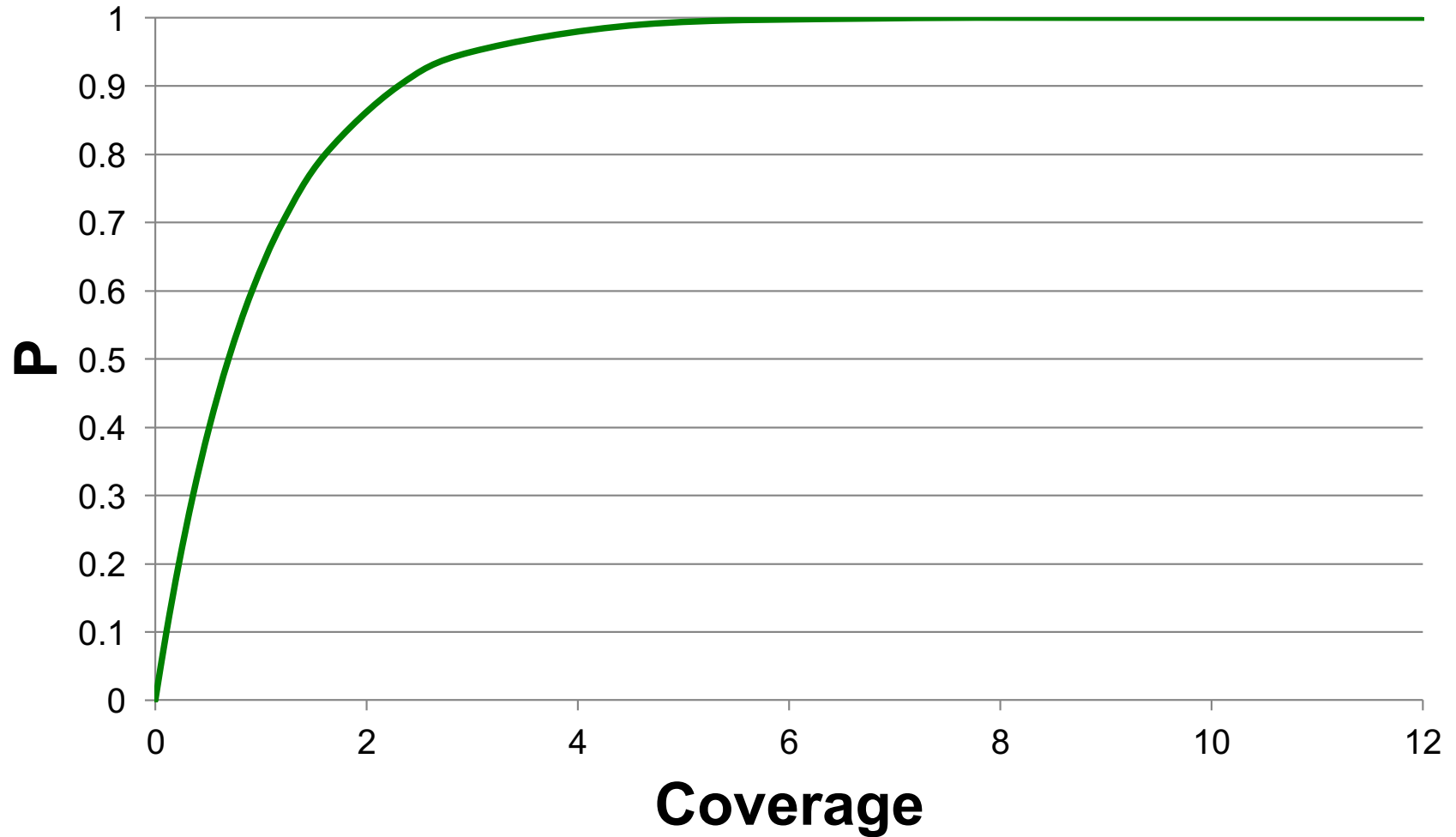
# Example Calculation, Sanger Sequencing

- *E. coli* genome  $G = 4.6\text{Mb}$ , read length  $L = 800\text{bp}$
- How many reads do I need to have a certain probability of observing any particular piece of my genome?
- Remember  $N = \ln(1-P)/\ln(1-L/G)$
- $P = 0.9 \Rightarrow \sim 13,000$        $\sim 2.3\text{x coverage}$
- $P = 0.95 \Rightarrow \sim 17,000$        $\sim 3\text{x coverage}$
- $P = 0.99 \Rightarrow \sim 26,500$        $\sim 4.6\text{x coverage}$

# Back of the Envelope

- Remember,  $P = 1 - (1-L/G)^N$
- Given  $(1-L/G)^N \approx e^{-NL/G}$
- And, coverage,  $R = NL/G$
- Then,  $P \approx 1 - e^{-R}$
- This is a widespread back of the envelope calculation for any project involving redundancy.

# Probability as a Function of Coverage

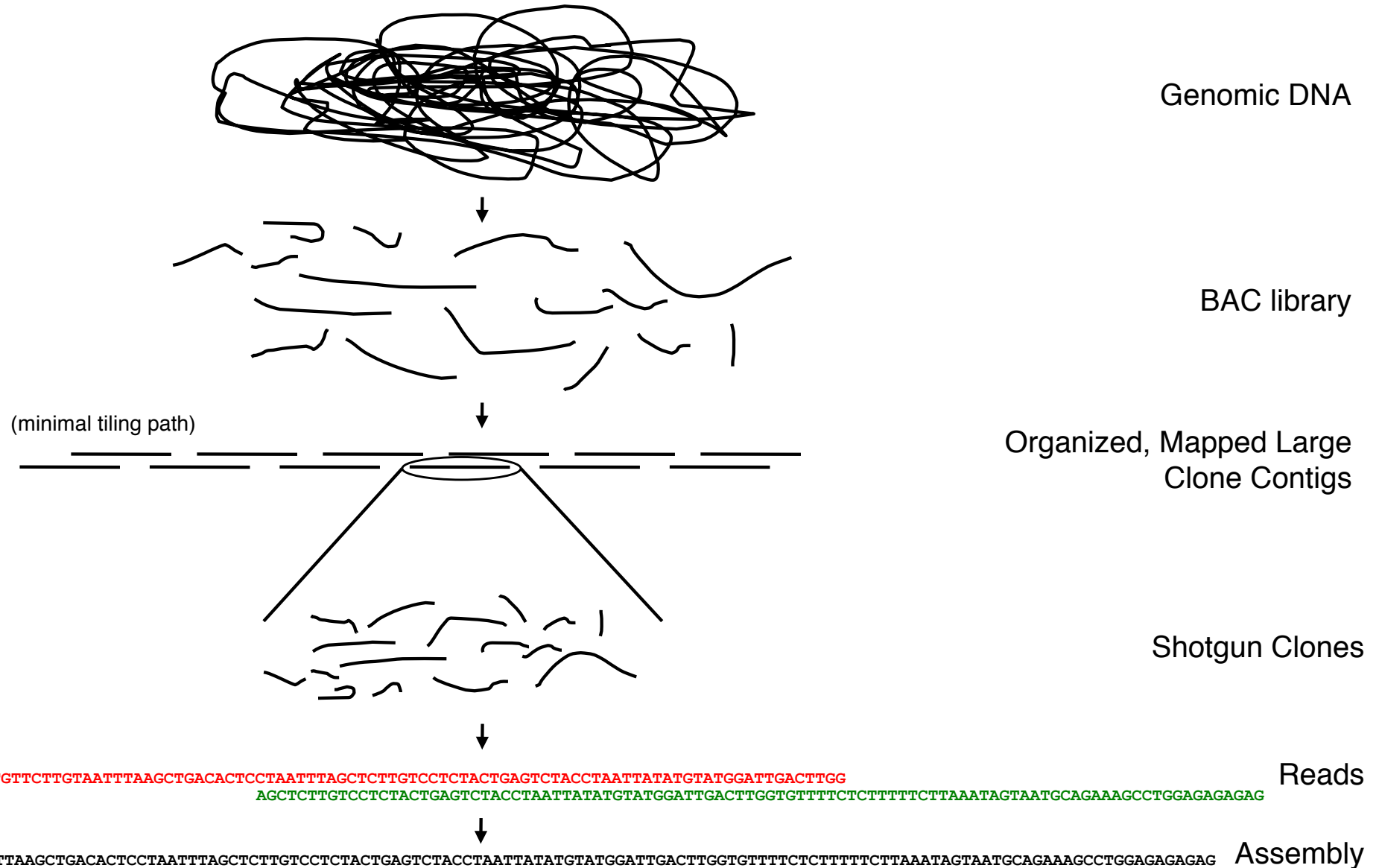


# Overcoming repeats

- Most problematic when:
  - Repeats are longer than read lengths
  - Repeats are present in many copies
- Recognize based on coverage
- Resolve with longer range continuity information:
  - Paired-end reads
  - Multiple insert size libraries
    - Plasmids
    - Fosmids
    - BAC ends
    - Other tricks (which I'll come to later)

# Whole Genome Sequencing Approaches

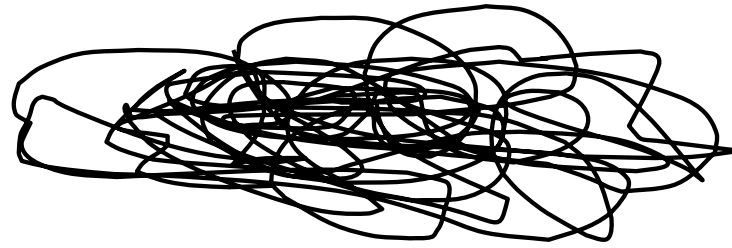
## Hierarchical Shotgun Approach





# Whole Genome Sequencing Approaches

## Shotgun Approach



Genomic DNA



Shotgun Clones



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AGCTCTTGTCCCTACTGAGTCTACCTAATTATATGATGGATTGACTTGGTGTTCCTCTTTTCTTAAATAGTAATGCAGAAAGCCTGGAGAGAGAG

Reads



TATGTTCTTGTAATTAAGCTGACACTCCTAATTTAGCTCTTGTCCCTACTGAGTCTACCTAATTATATGATGGATTGACTTGGTGTTCCTCTTTTCTTAAATAGTAATGCAGAAAGCCTGGAGAGAGAG

Assembly

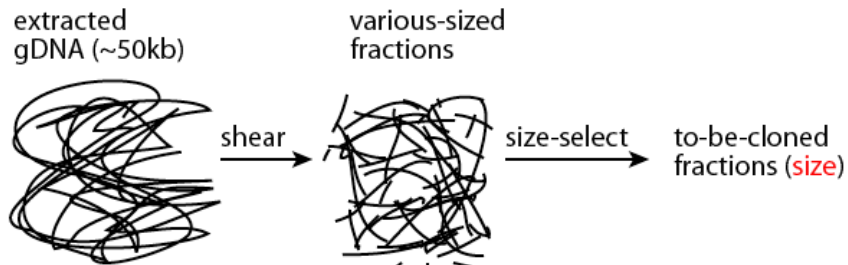
# Rationale for Hierarchical Strategy

- Better for a repeat-rich genome
  - *less misassembly of finished genome*
    - *long-range misassembly largely eliminated and short-range reduced*
- Better for an outbred organism
  - *each clone from an individual and no polymorphisms in the final sequence.*
  - *(Added bonus: get SNPs from regions of overlapping clones)*
  - *Can also get some haplotype information, if individual BACs shotgun sequenced.*
- Better if there are cloning biases
  - *use minimum tiling path, so the same coverage for each region*
- Easier to identify and fill gaps (from unclonable regions) sooner

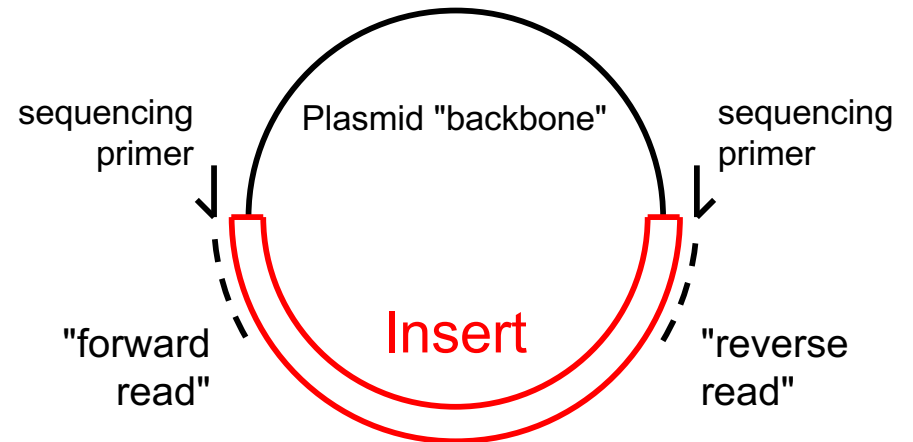
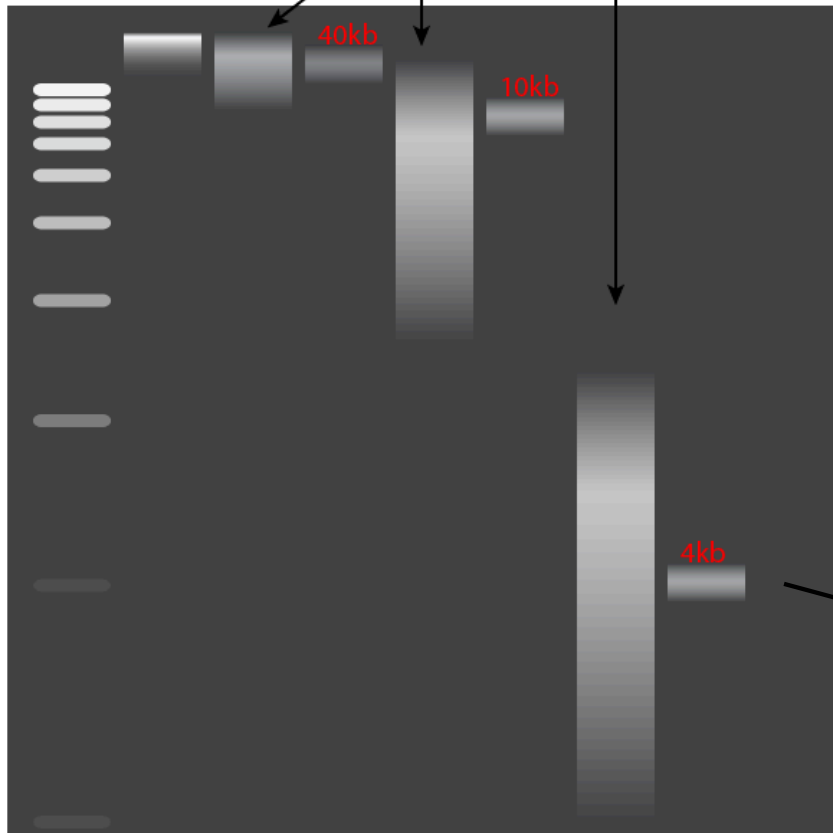
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- **Time consuming and expensive to make minimum tiling path**

# De Novo Whole Genome Sequencing



Make millions of random clones: "Shotgunning"

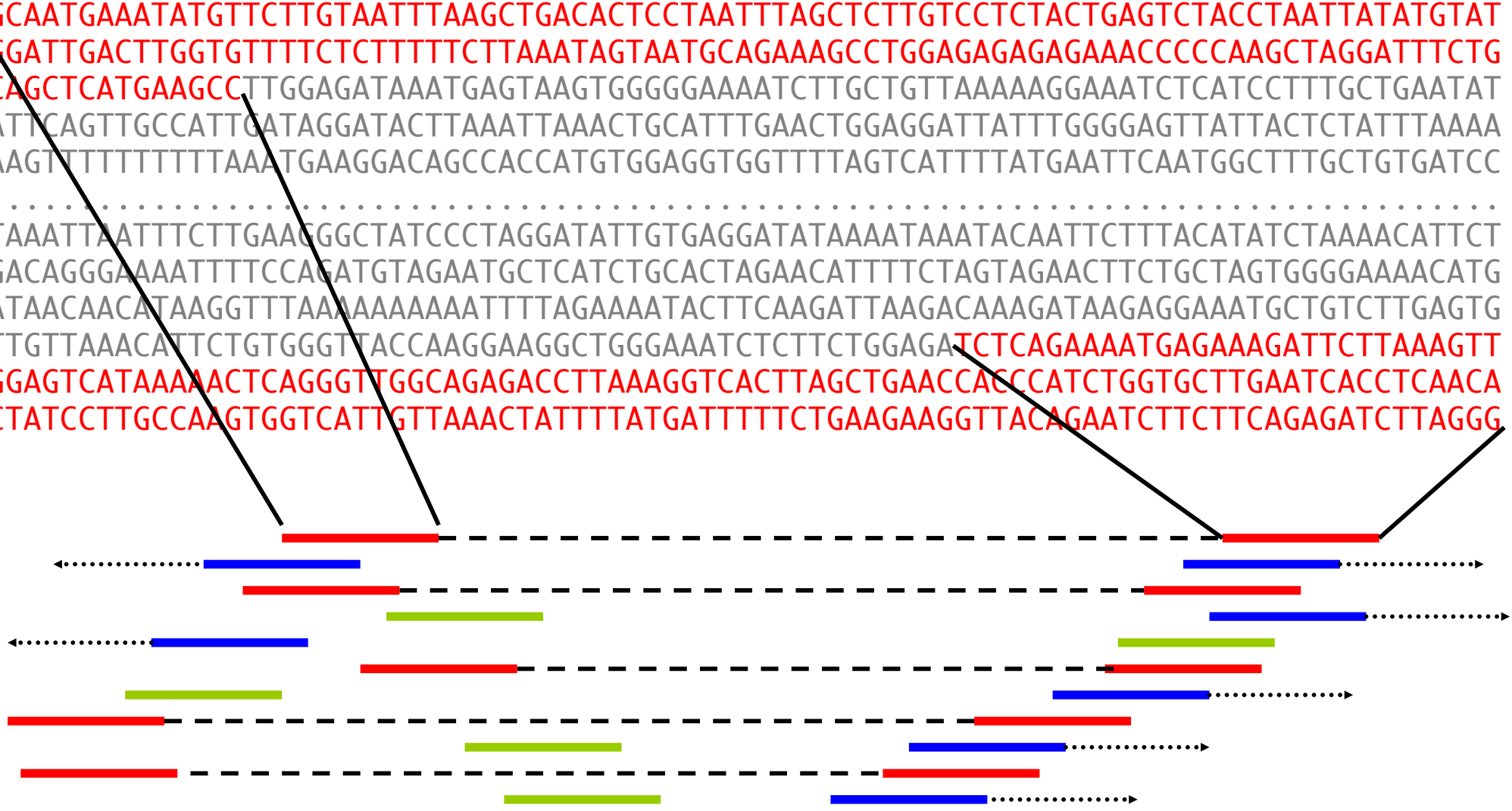


# Sequencing Read

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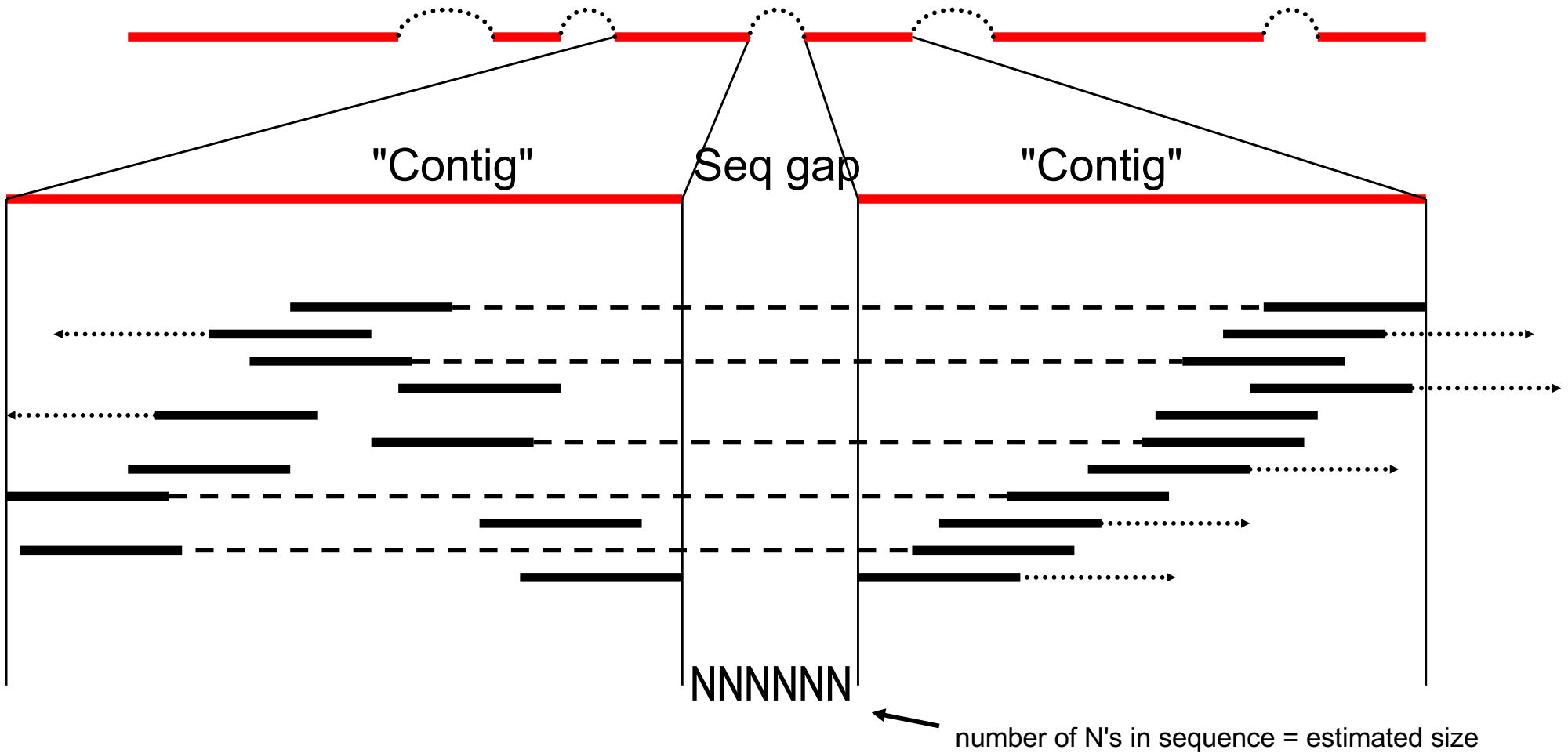
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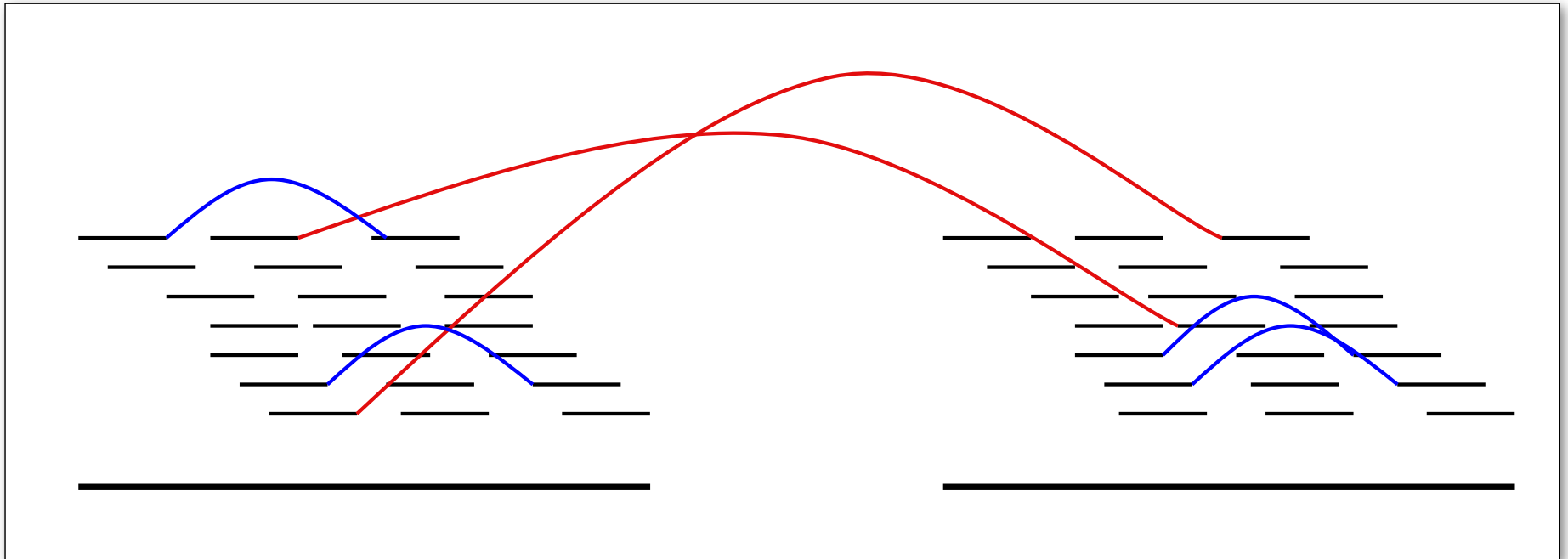


# Assembly: Contigs and Supercontigs

"Supercontig" or "Scaffold"



# Why Different Insert Sizes are Useful



Longer (fosmid) mate pairs connect assembly pieces that are not connected by shorter (plasmid) paired ends

# Key Concepts in Assembly

- **Contig N50**
  - 50% of the genome assembly is in contigs larger than this size
- **Supercontig (scaffold) N50**
  - same, but for scaffolds

- **k-mer**
  - string of bases of length k
  - for computational efficiency, long sequences such as sanger reads are often chopped up into their constituent k-mers; usually *overlapping* k-mers are used because converting a sequence into nonoverlapping k-mers loses information

The first three overlapping 22-mers and their positions in a Sanger read

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Read  tagcgactacctgaactggacctttgaacgag...
0      tagcgactacctgaactggacc
1      agcgactacctgaactggacct
2      gcgactacctgaactggacctt
```

- **High-quality mismatch**
  - A position in two well-aligning reads in which the base calls are *high quality* but *disagree*
  - Indicative of **allelism** or **paralogy**

A high-quality mismatch: High Phred scores (like Q99) on both mismatched bases

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Read 1 ..actacctgaactggacctttgaacg...
Read 2 ..actacctgaactagacctttgaacg...
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# Assemblies are not Perfect

- Sequence coverage may vary
  - missing regions; strong fragmentation
- Some regions don't clone well
  - results in low sequence coverage
  - which causes gaps in assembly
- Some regions don't sequence well
  - extreme GC content
  - homopolymeric or otherwise low-complexity runs
- Some regions don't assemble well
  - mobile elements
    - high identity, large copy number
  - segmental duplications
    - Repeats are the single biggest impediment to assembly
- Polymorphism
- *Best way to improve assemblies is longer reads and better long range continuity*

# High Throughput Sequencing

*“The cost of DNA sequencing has plunged orders of magnitude in the last 25 years. Back in 1990, sequencing 1 million nucleotides cost the equivalent of 15 tons of gold (adjusted to 1990 price). At that time, this amount of material was equivalent to the output of all United States gold mines combined over two weeks. Fastforwarding to the present, sequencing 1 million nucleotides is equivalent to the value of ~30 g of aluminum. This is approximately the amount of material needed to wrap five breakfast sandwiches at a New York City food car.”*

Erlich Y. (2015). A vision for ubiquitous sequencing. *Genome Res.* **25(10)**:1411-6.

# The Players

- Commercially available now:
  - Illumina – **most prevalent technology**
  - SOLiD (Life Technologies)
  - Ion Torrent (Life Technologies)
  - Pacific Biosciences
  - Complete Genomics – aquired by BGI, possibly dead
  - 454, Helicos – both commercially dead
- Next generation approaches
  - Oxford Nanopore
  - Illumina Nanopore (nothing released yet)
    - Recently licensed an alternative nanopore technology
  - NABsys, Genia, Noblegen – might all be dead

# Sequencing Template Approaches

- **Clonal Amplification** of Single Molecules
  - Single molecule only briefly needed as a template
  - Thousands of identical molecules boost signal
  - Two different methods
    - Bridge amplification of molecules immobilized on surface
      - Illumina
    - Emulsion PCR
      - SOLiD and Ion Torrent, 454
- **Single DNA molecule** as a sequencing template.
  - Challenges include:
    - Keeping single molecules stable during insults of sequencing
    - Signal to noise ratio in base detection
  - BUT
    - Avoid amplification biases
  - Pacific Biosciences, Oxford Nanopore, Helicos

# Recommended Reading

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