

# CANCER GENOMICS

## Lecture 1: Introduction to Cancer Genome Analysis

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# Overview of Cancer Genomics Module

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**1. Introduction to Cancer Genome Analysis**

**2. Probabilistic Methods for Mutation Detection**

**3. Probabilistic Methods for Profiling Copy Number Alteration**

**4. Additional Topics: Tumor Heterogeneity, Mutation Detection Power, Structural Variation**

# Homework Assignments and Office Hours

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## Homework #5

**Due: May 8th**

### Office Hours

- Monday, May 4, 2-3pm
- Wednesday, May 6, 2-3pm

## Homework #6

**Due: May 15th**

### Office Hours

- Monday, May 11, 2-3pm
- Wednesday, May 13, 2-3pm

# Outline: Introduction to Cancer Genome Analysis

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## 1. Intro to Cancer Genome Alterations

- Genomic alterations in cancer: drivers vs passengers, somatic vs germline
- Tumor evolution and heterogeneity

## 2. Overview of Cancer Genome Analysis

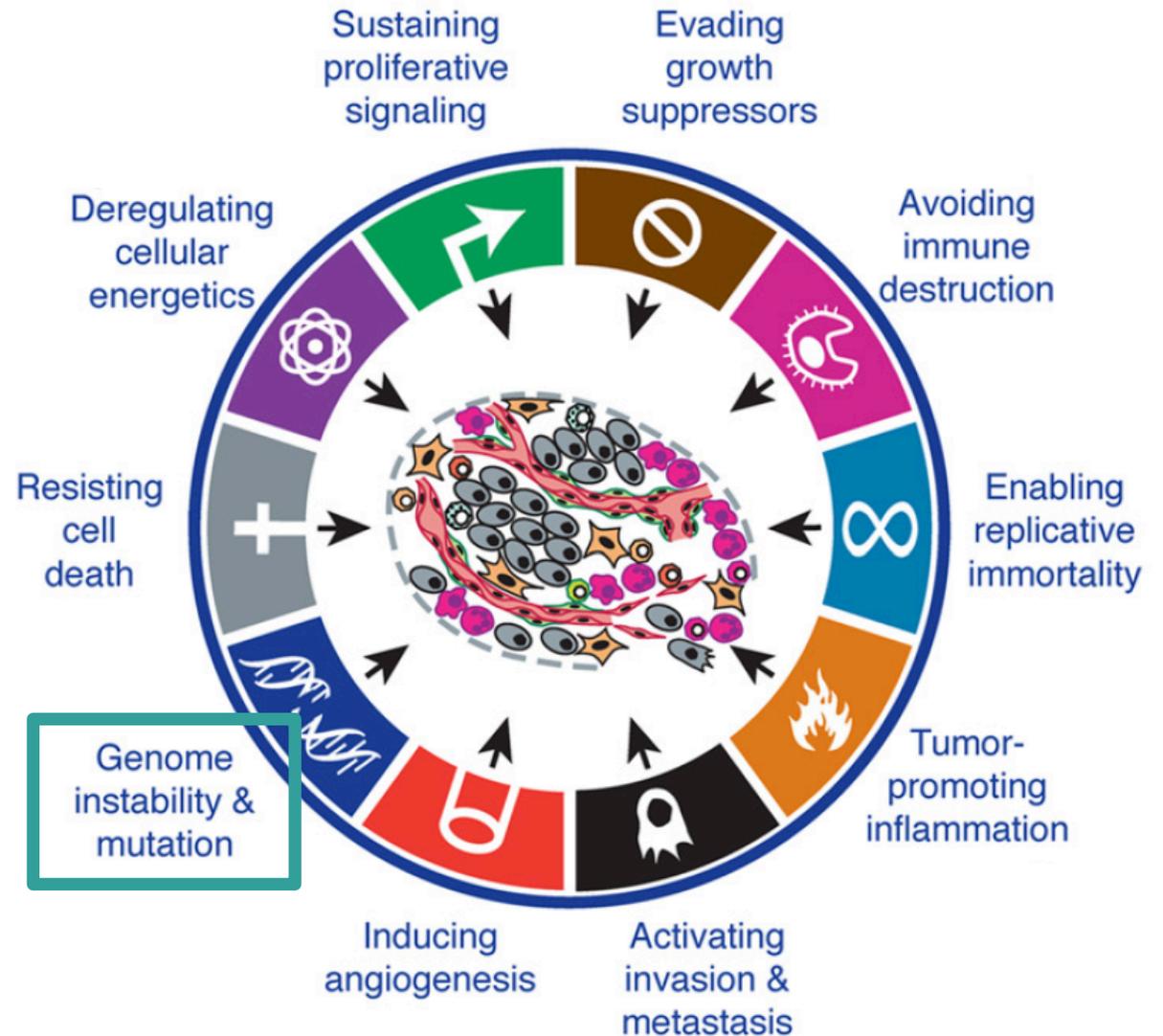
- Computational strategy and workflow
- Tumor DNA Sequencing
- Types of genomic alterations predicted from tumor sequencing
- Methods/tools/algorithms in following lectures

## 3. Primer on statistical modeling

- Binomial probability distribution, Bayesian statistics, parameter learning

# The hallmarks of cancer

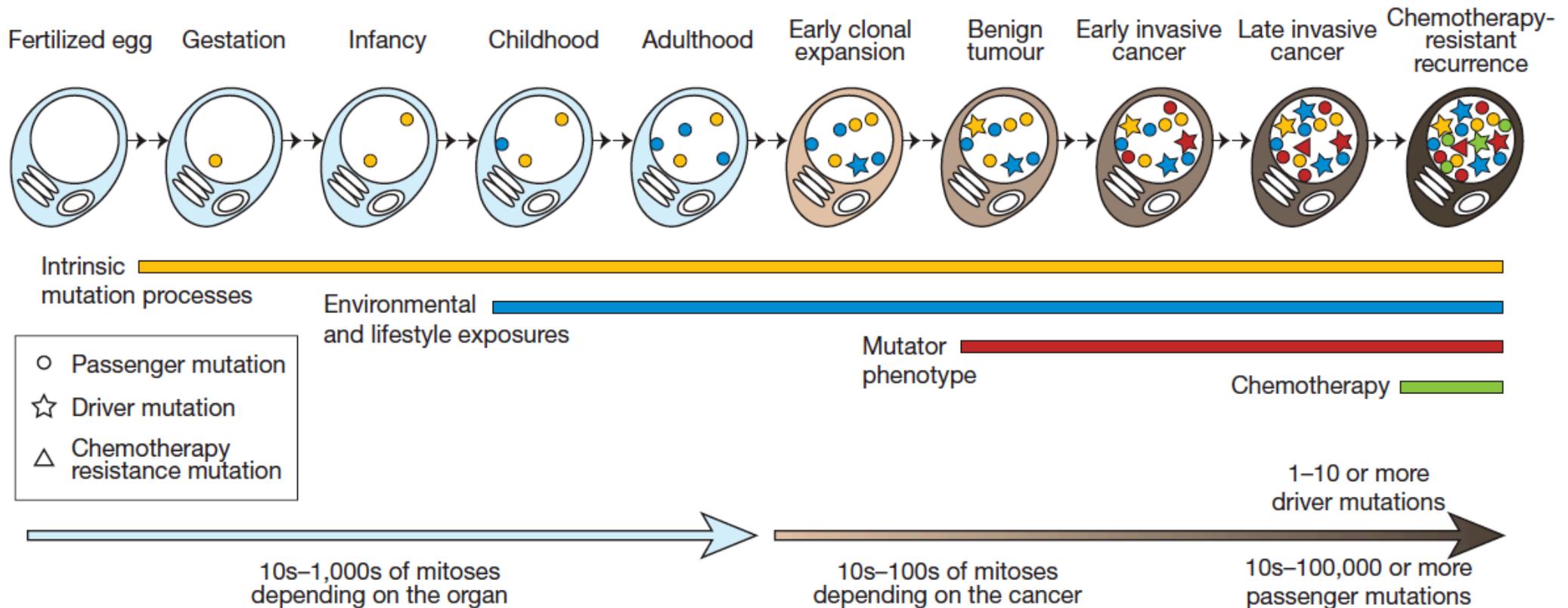
- All cancers exhibit many of these hallmarks that lead to tumor growth
- **Genome instability & mutation** is an enabling characteristic that can result in multiple hallmarks



# Cancer is a disease of the genome

Cancer progression results from **mutations** acquired throughout lifetime

- Few **driver** mutations, many **passenger** mutations
- Mutational process can be intrinsic and from environmental mutagens



# Genomic Variation: Somatic and Germline

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## Variant or Mutation or Alteration or Polymorphism

- Changes in the genome sequence of a sample compared to a reference sequence

## Germline Variant

- Chromosomes: 22 autosomal pairs + 1 sex pair
  - Each set inherited from maternal and paternal germline cells
- Variant inherited from one or both parental chromosomes
- Source of genetic differences between ancestral populations and individuals
- Polymorphism: >1% frequency in a population

## Somatic Variant

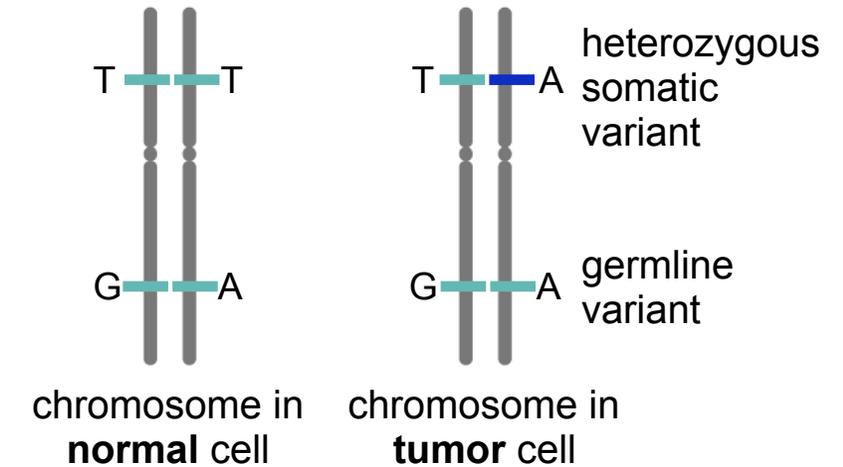
- Mutation acquired during individual's lifetime
- Important to identify in sporadic cancers and other non-familial diseases

# Types of Genomic Variation: Small/Short mutations

## 1. Single nucleotide base substitutions

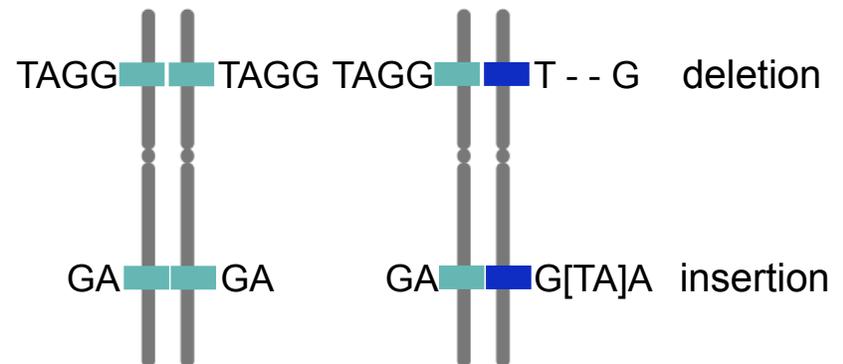
- Germline single nucleotide polymorphism (SNP)
- Somatic single nucleotide variant (SNV)

## Single nucleotide variant



## 2. Small insertions or deletions

- Germline or somatic insertion or deletion (INDEL)
- Small indels: 1 bp - 20 bps
- Large indels: 20 - 10,000 bps



## Insertion-Deletion (INDEL)

# Types of Genomic Variation: Large alterations

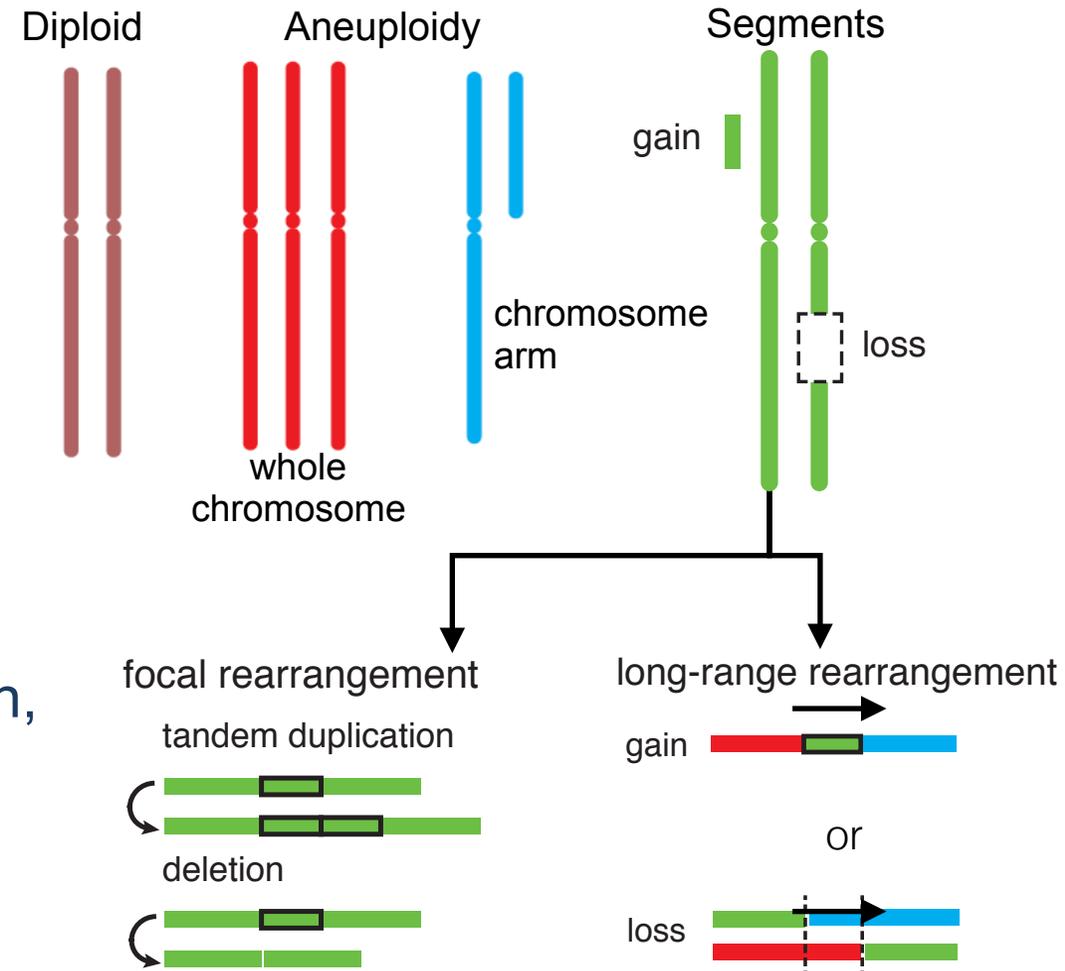
## 3. Copy number changes

- Germline copy number variant (CNV) or polymorphism (CNP)
- Somatic copy number variant (CNV) or alterations (CNA)
- Size > 1 kbps, typically mega-bases (depending on resolution)

## 4. Structural rearrangements

- Germline or Somatic structural variant (SV)
- Simple events: deletion, duplication, inversion, translocation
- Single nucleotide resolution for breakpoints
- Size > 20 bps, typically kilo-bases to mega-bases

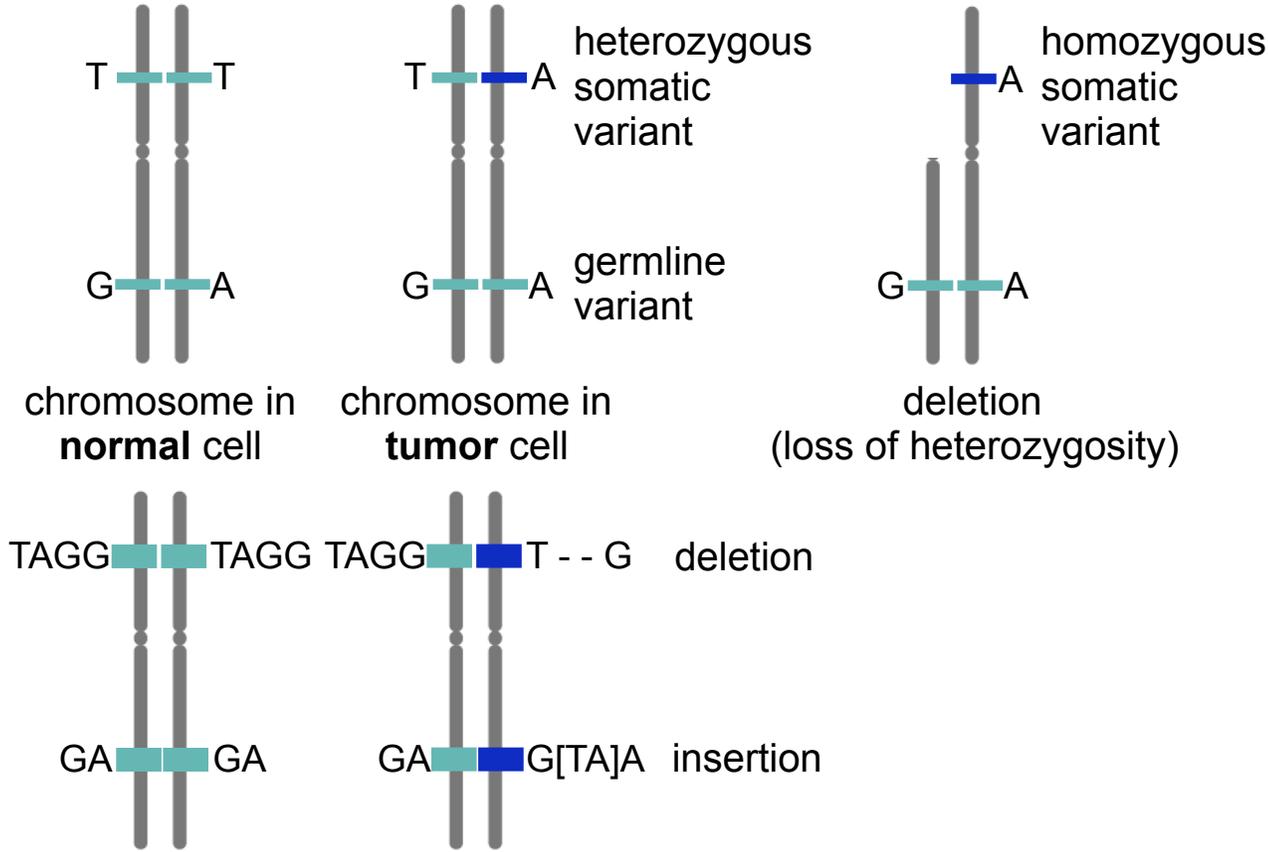
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## Structural rearrangements

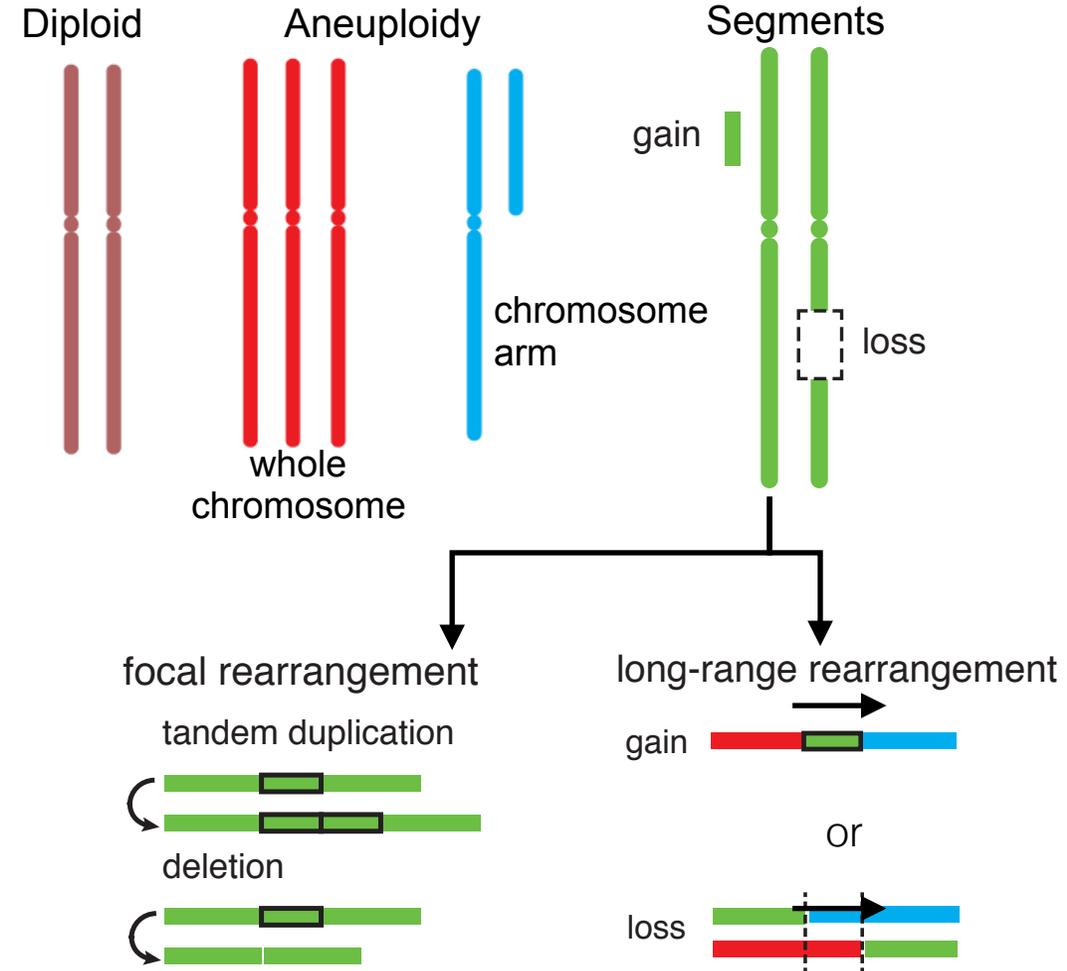
# Types of Genomic Variation in Cancer

## Single nucleotide variant



## Insertion-Deletion (INDEL)

## Copy number alterations



## Structural rearrangements

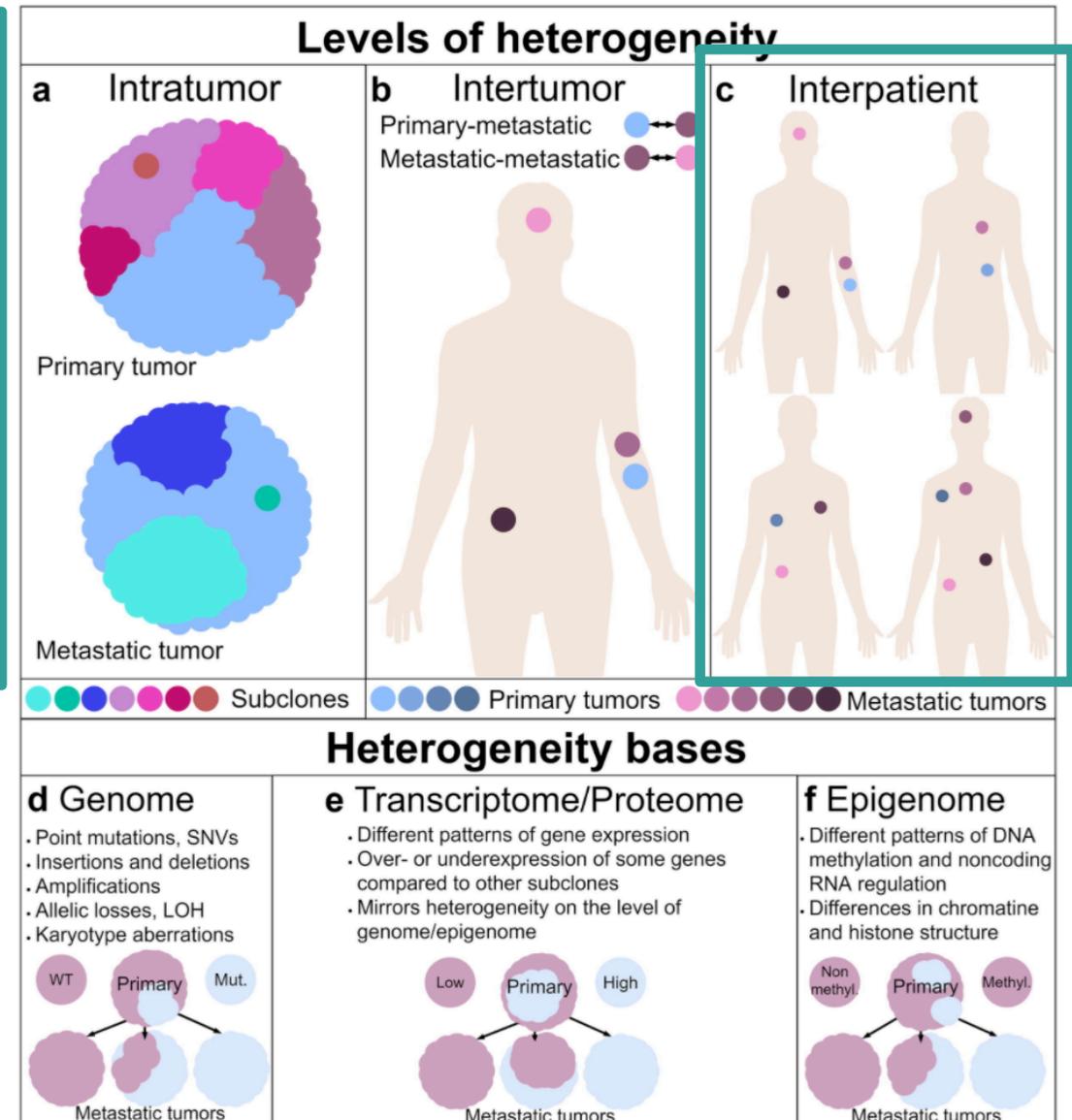
# Tumors exhibit different levels of heterogeneity

## Across patient populations:

1. **Cancer types:** between primary tumors of different organs or tissue-of-origin (eg. Breast and lung cancers)
2. **Same-subtype:** between tumors from different patients
3. **Tumor subtypes:** between subset of patients with tumors having similar molecular features (e.g. ER+ and ER- breast cancers)

## Within an individual patient:

4. **Inter-tumor:** between tumors within a patient
5. **Intra-tumor heterogeneity:** between cells within a tumor lesion (e.g. tumor clones, stromal cells, infiltrating lymphocytes)

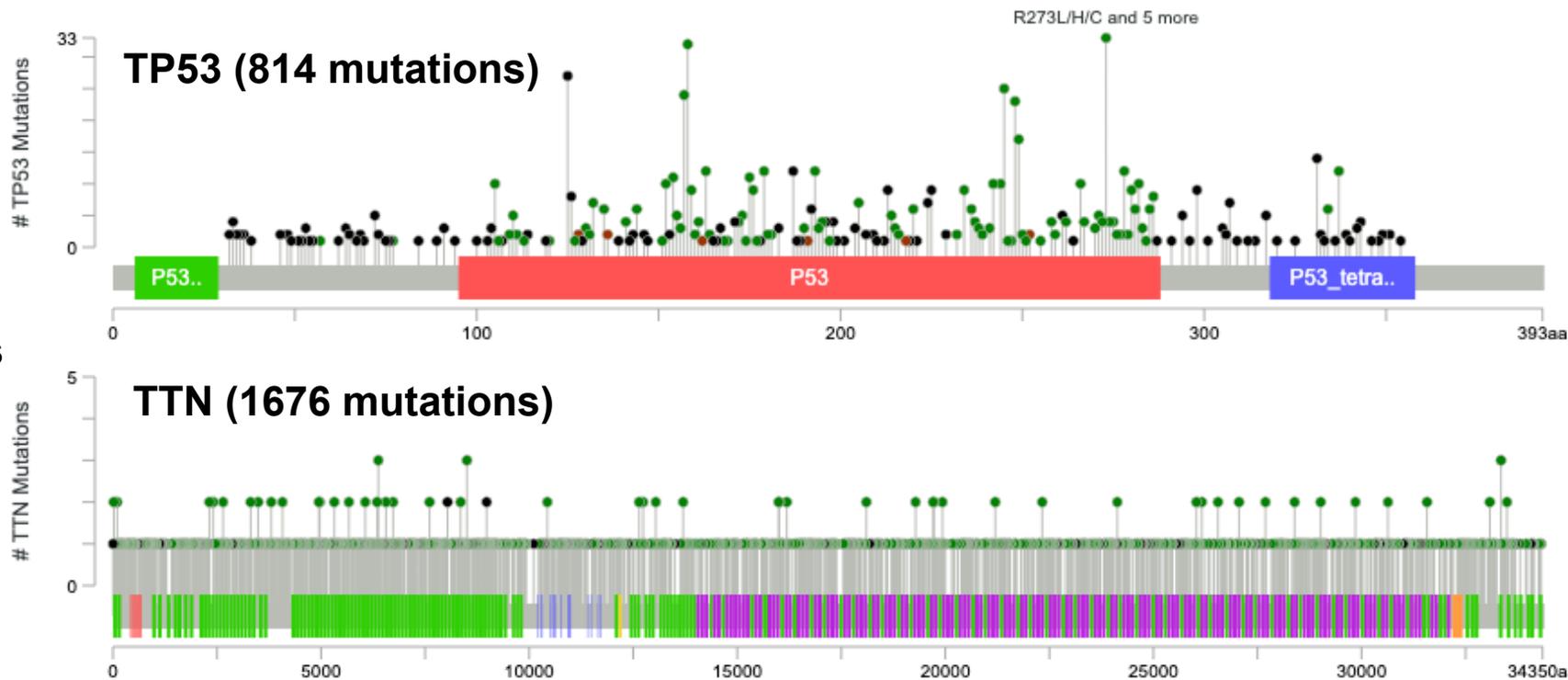


# Cancer Genes: Driver vs Passenger Genomic Alterations

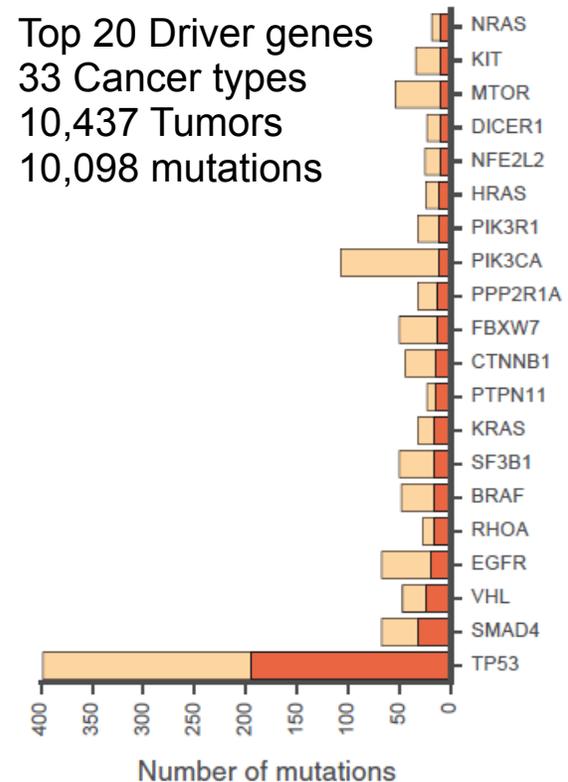
How do we find the mutated genes that *drive* cancer?

- **Significantly Mutated Genes:** recurrently mutated genes in patient cohorts
- Account for covariates (e.g. gene length, expression, replication timing)

1144  
Lung  
Cancers



Top 20 Driver genes  
33 Cancer types  
10,437 Tumors  
10,098 mutations



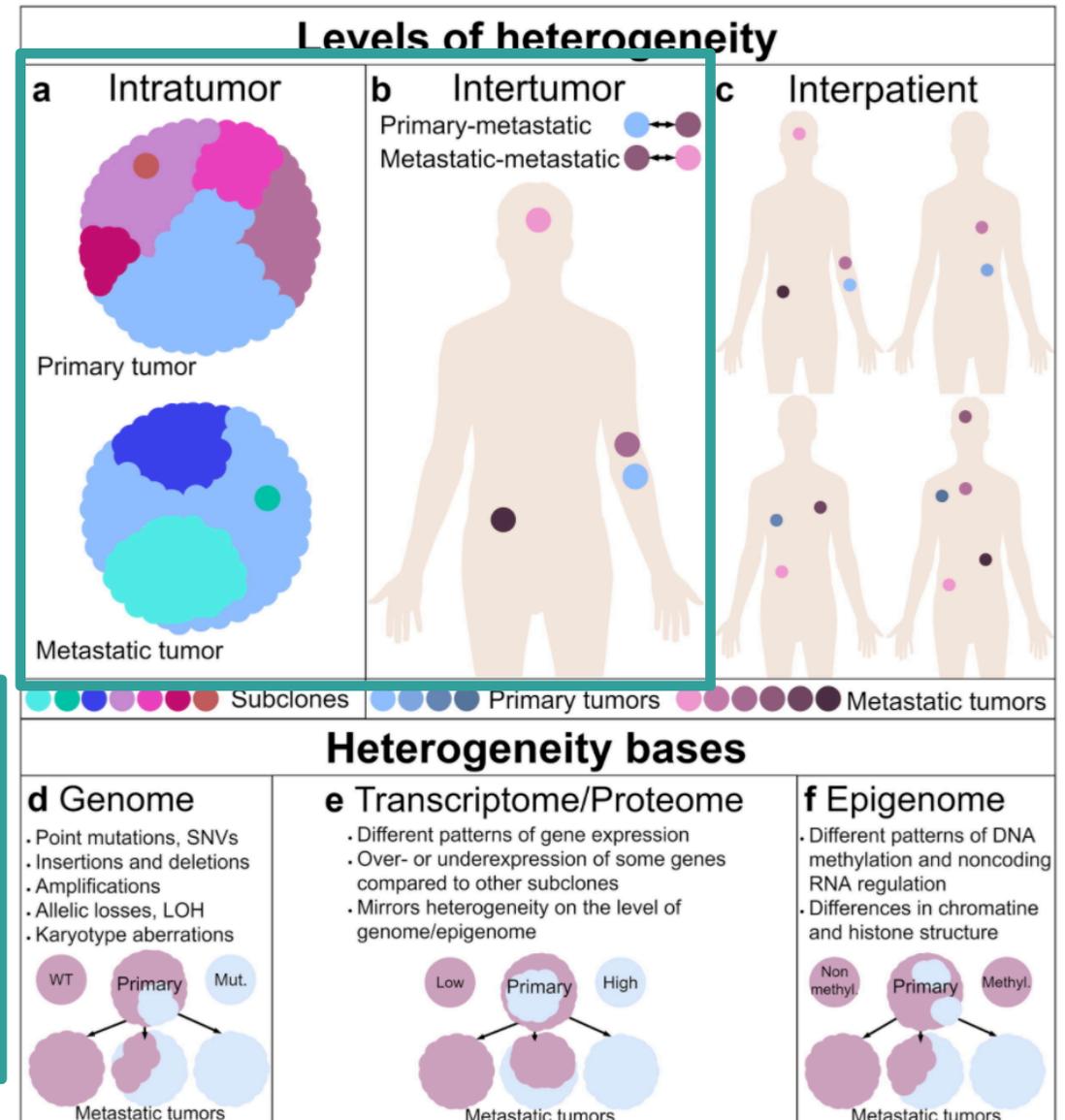
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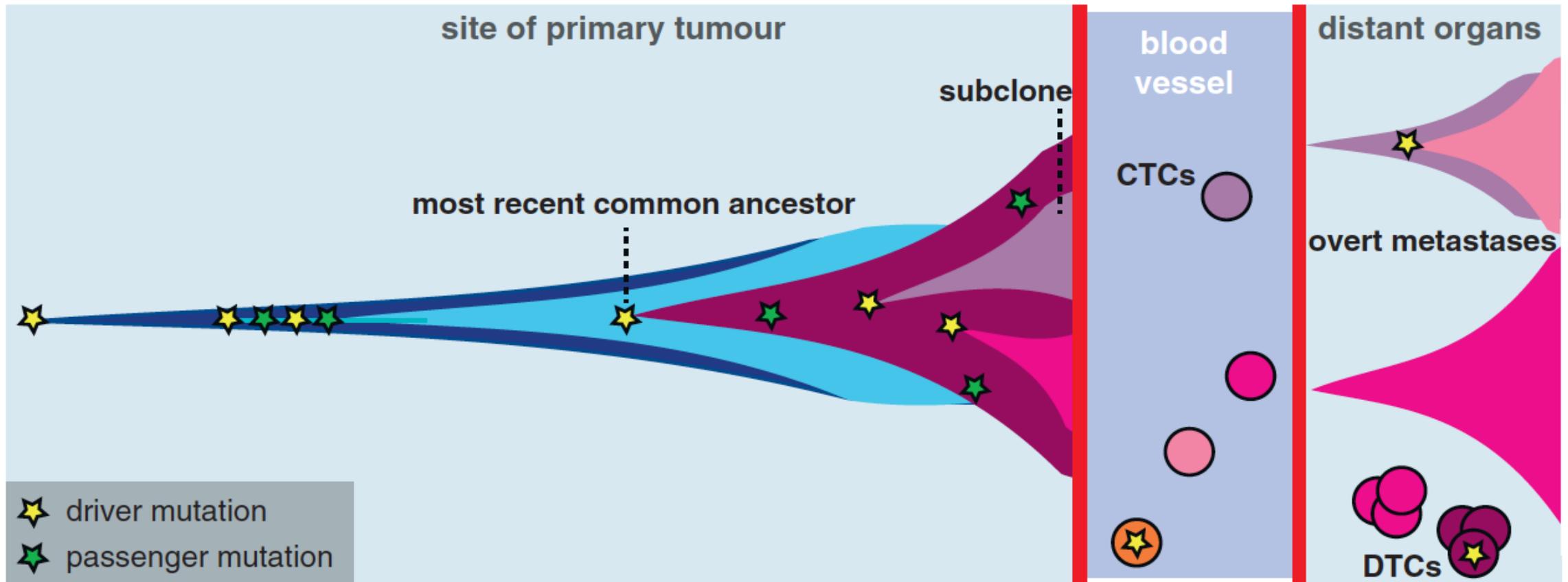
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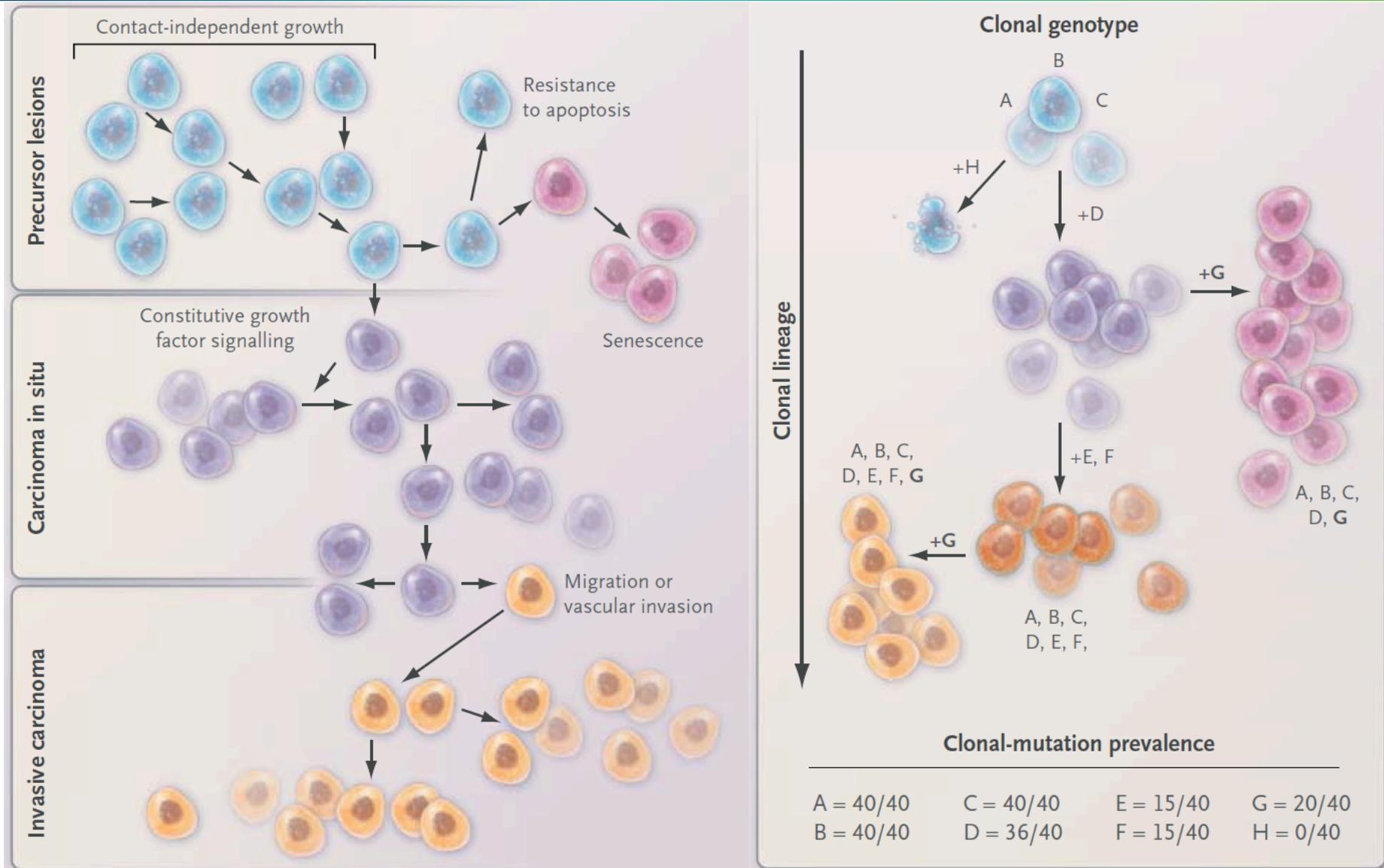


# Tumors undergo genome evolution and clonal expansion

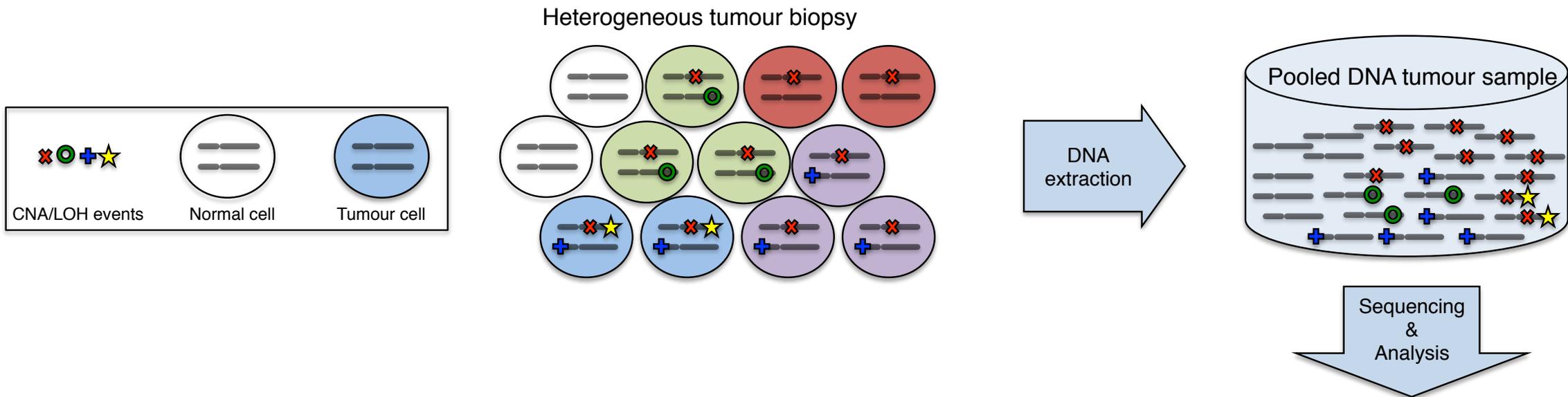
- Clonal diversity may have implications for treatment resistance
- Dynamics of clones can change in the blood and metastases



# Tumor genome evolution selects for cellular phenotypes



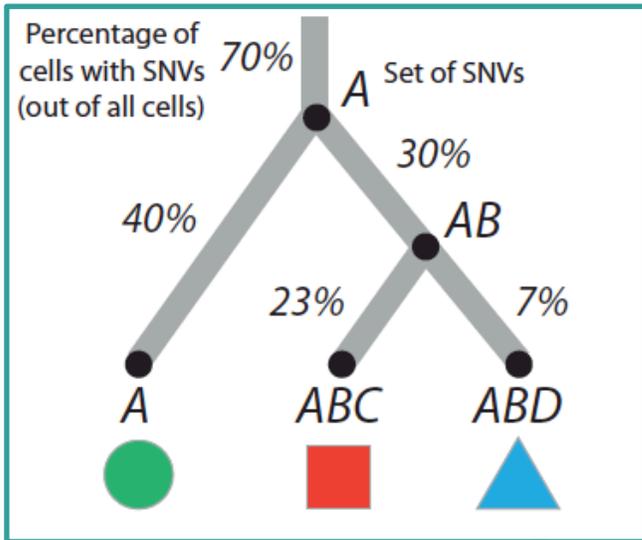
# Inferring intra-tumor genomic heterogeneity from sequencing



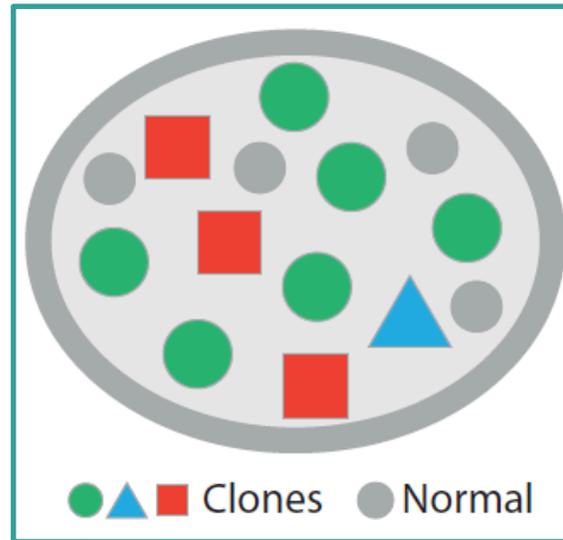
- Combined signals from normal and multiple populations of tumor cells.
- Cellular prevalence: proportion of tumor cells harboring event
- Discuss further in Lecture 4...

# Inferring evolutionary history of a tumor from sequencing

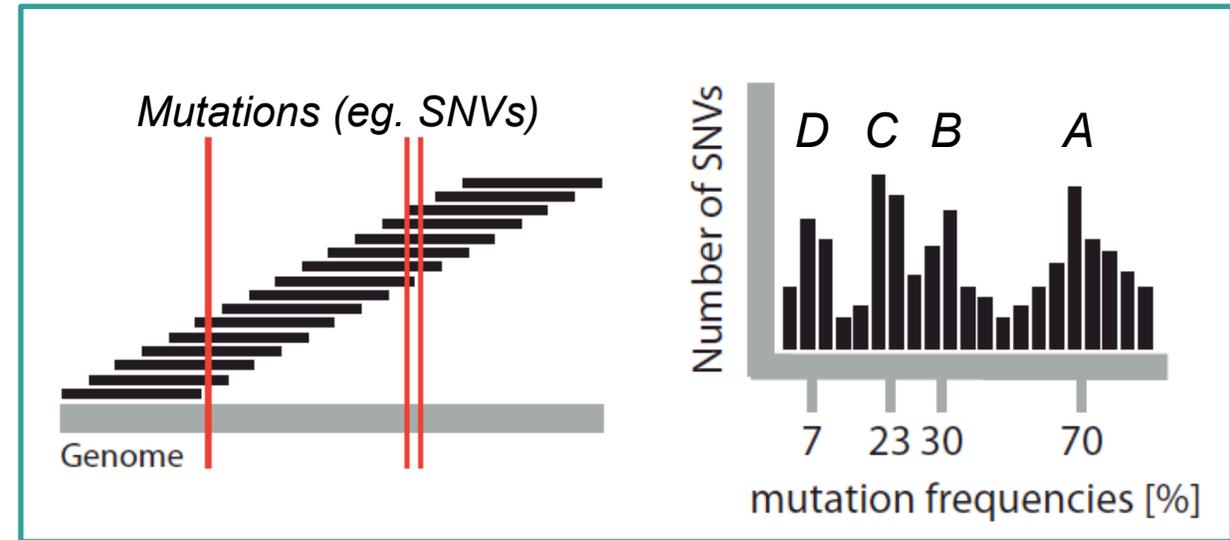
## Evolutionary History



## Clonal Cell Populations



## Sequencing Data



3. Infer evolutionary (phylogenetic) tree

2. Infer clonal prevalence

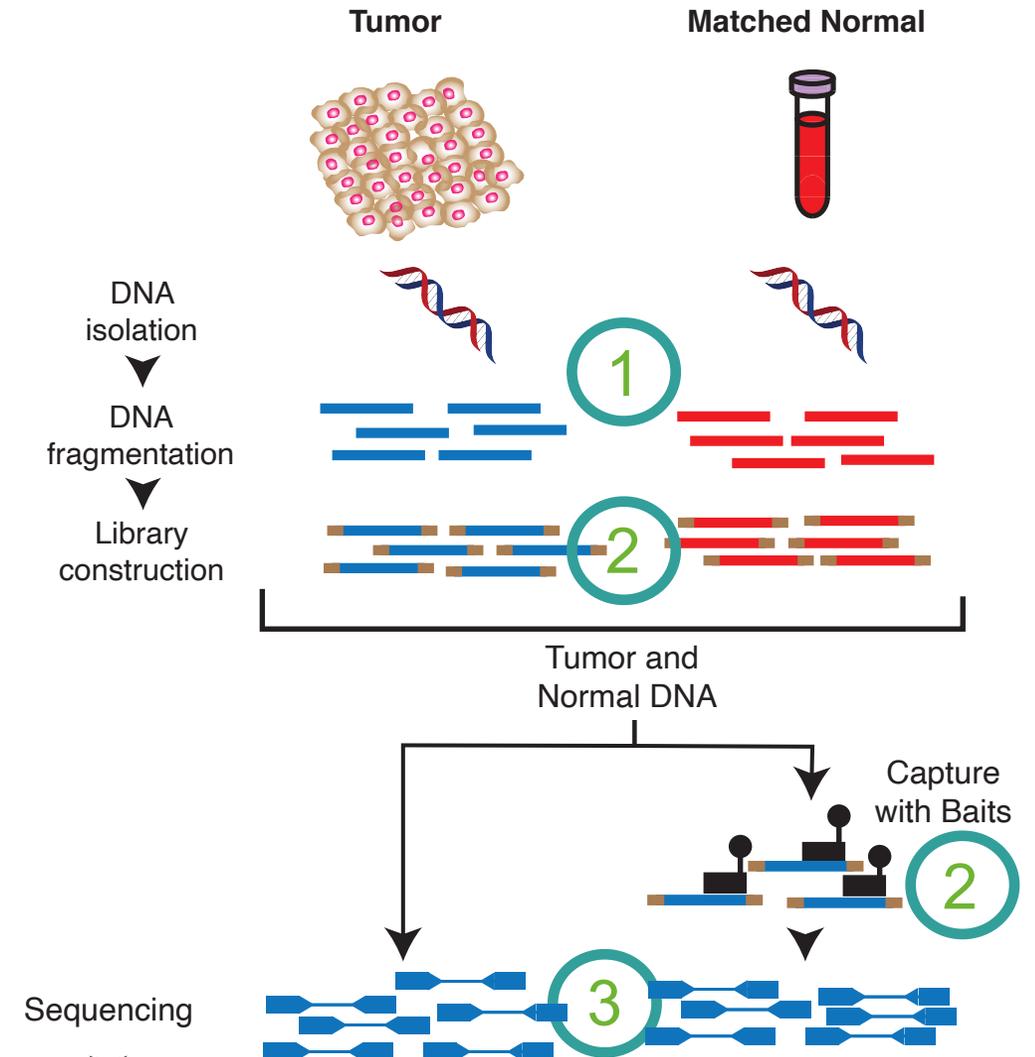
1. Mutation Calling & Analysis

## 2. Overview of Cancer Genome Analysis

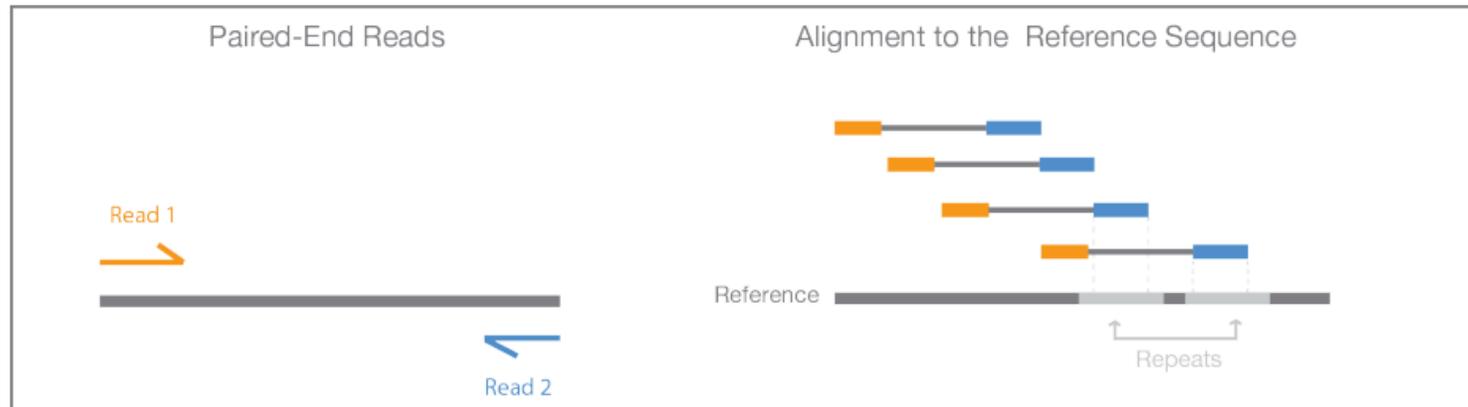
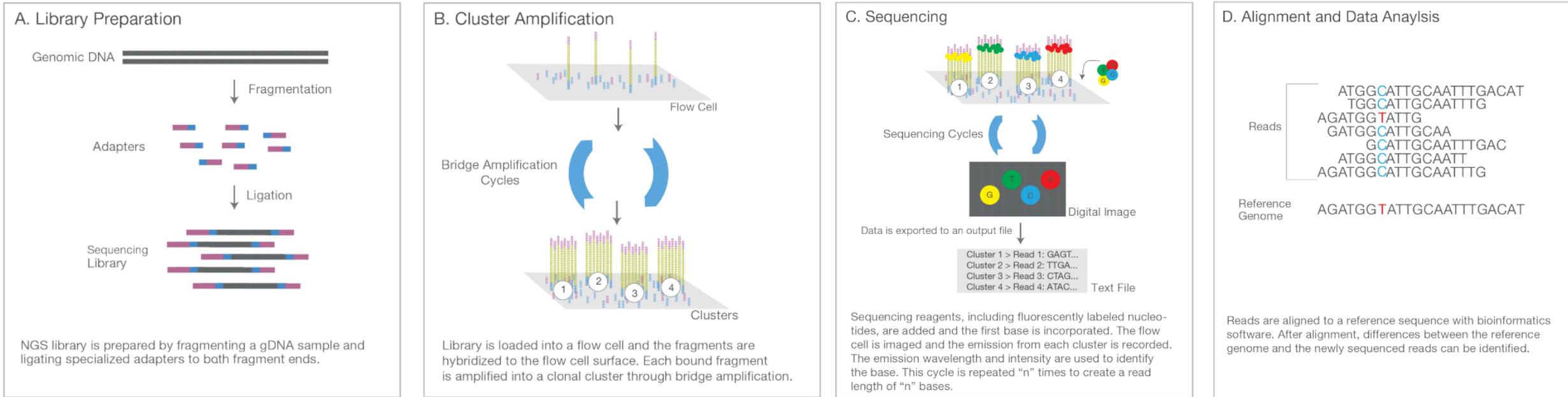
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# General Workflow of Tumor Genome Sequencing (1)

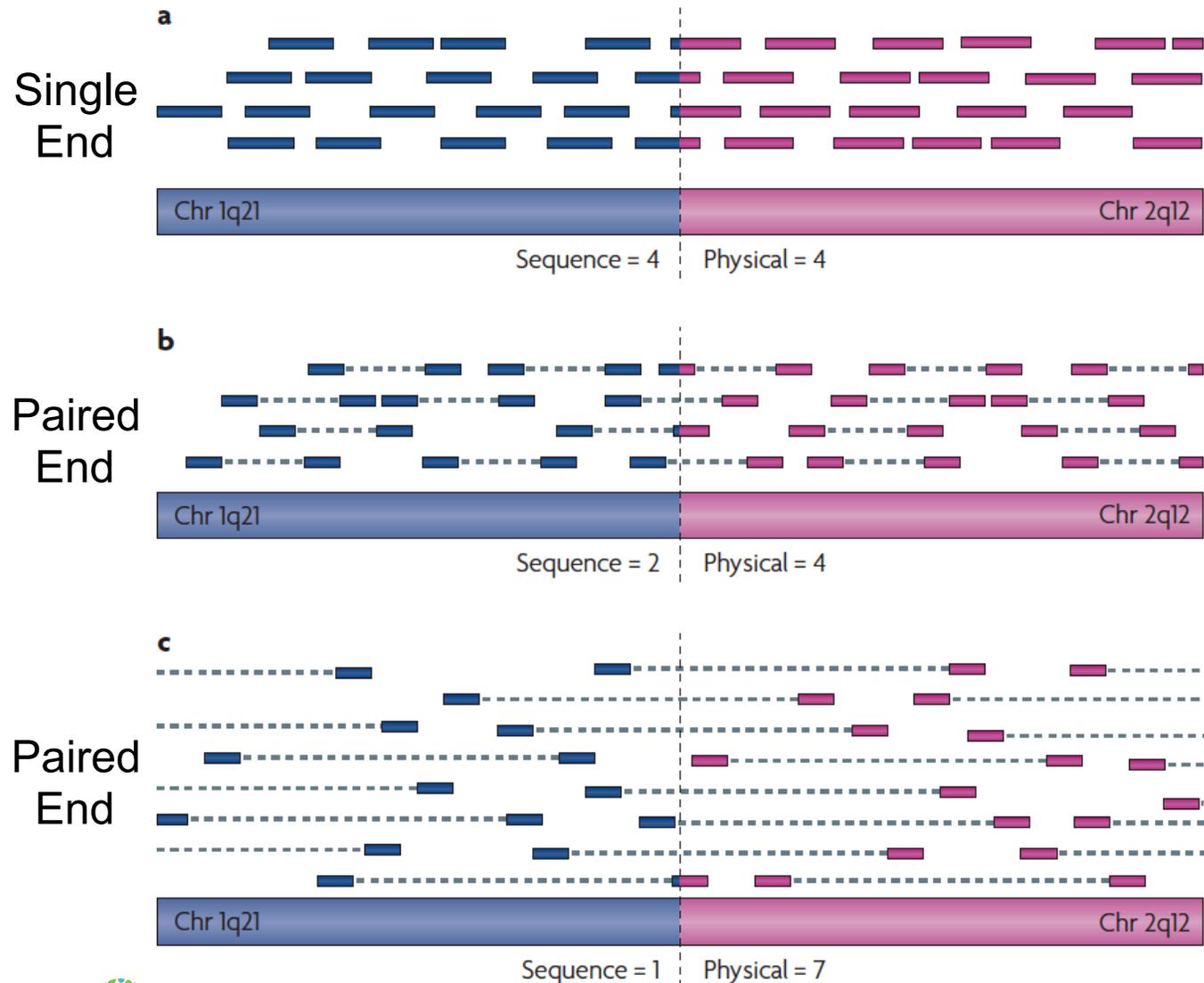
- Tumor and Normal pairing
  - Distinguish somatic and germline alterations
- Capture baits can be used to select regions
  - e.g. whole exome or targeted gene panels
- Potential sources of error can arise
  1. 8-oxoG transversions (C>A/G>T)
  2. PCR errors and GC content bias
  3. Sequencing errors



# Genome Sequencing: Massively Parallel Sequencing



# Genome Sequencing: Sequence vs Physical Coverage

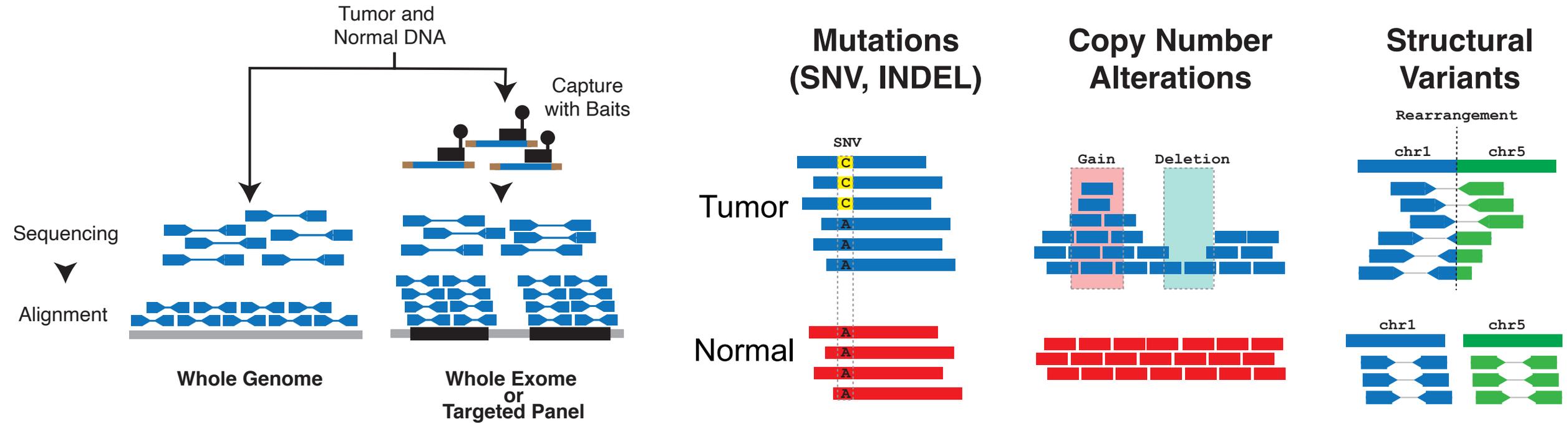


**Sequence Coverage** = number of sequenced reads spanning locus

**Physical Coverage** = number of DNA fragments spanning locus

- Mutation detection rely on sequence coverage
- Rearrangement detection rely on both

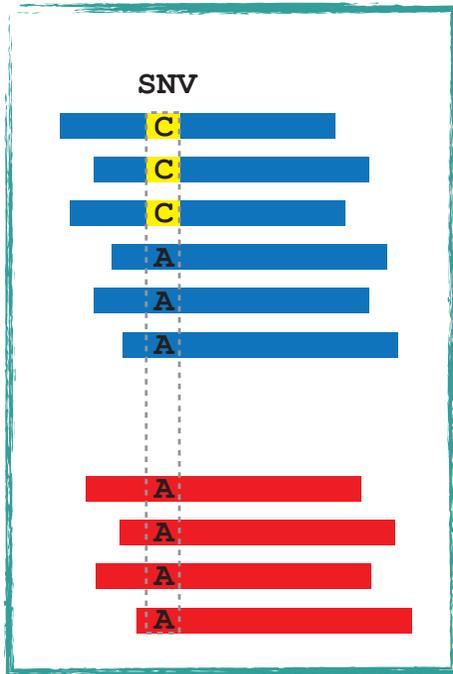
# General Workflow of Tumor Genome Sequencing (2)



| Whole Genome Sequencing  | Whole Exome Sequencing   | Targeted Gene Sequencing   |
|--|--|--|
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Genome-wide (unbiased)</li> <li>0.1-100x genome coverage</li> </ul>                                   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Exons (2% of genome)</li> <li>50-500x target coverage</li> </ul>  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Target regions (1-5Mb)</li> <li>100-25000x target coverage</li> </ul>   |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>More sequencing required</li> <li>Expensive</li> </ul>  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Less sequencing required</li> <li>Cost-effective</li> </ul>   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Least sequencing required</li> <li>Panel design costs</li> </ul>        |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Coding/Non-coding mutations</li> <li>Copy number alterations</li> <li>Structural variation</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Coding mutations (all genes)</li> <li>Copy number alterations</li> <li>Gene fusions rearrangements</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Coding mutations (selected)</li> <li>Targeted rearrangements</li> </ul> |

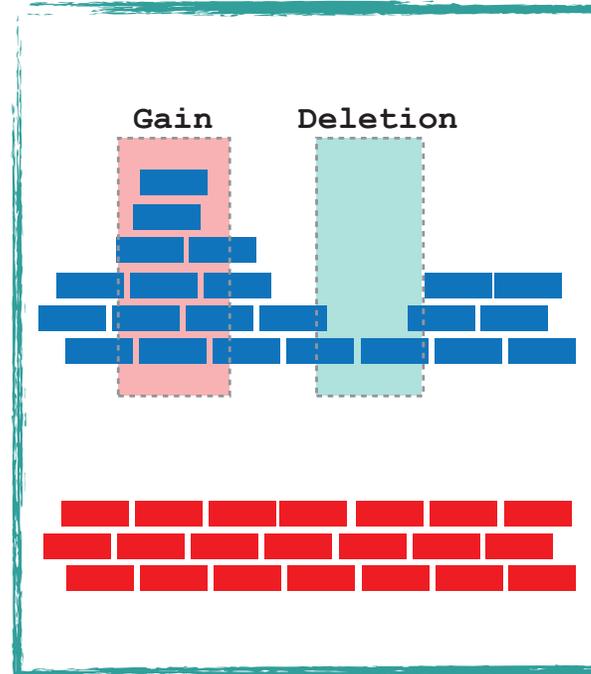
# Types of Genomic Alterations Predicted from Sequencing

## Mutations (SNV, INDEL)



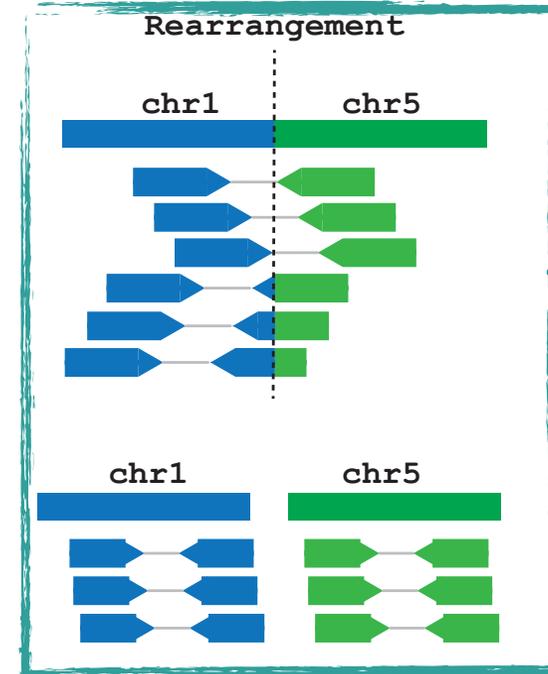
Lecture 2

## Copy Number Alterations



Lecture 3

## Structural Variants



Lecture 4?

# Genome Sequencing: International Consortia & Projects

1000 Genomes Project (<https://www.internationalgenome.org/>)

UK10K (<https://www.uk10k.org/>)

The 100,000 Genomes Project  
(<https://www.genomicsengland.co.uk/>)

- Rare disease, cancer, infectious disease

Genome 10K Project (<https://genome10k.soe.ucsc.edu/>)

- Genomic “zoo” of 16,000 vertebrate species

Exome Aggregation Consortium (ExAC) (<http://exac.broadinstitute.org/>)

Genome Aggregation Database (gnomAD) (<https://gnomad.broadinstitute.org/>)

**The Cancer Genome Atlas (TCGA)** (<https://portal.gdc.cancer.gov/>)

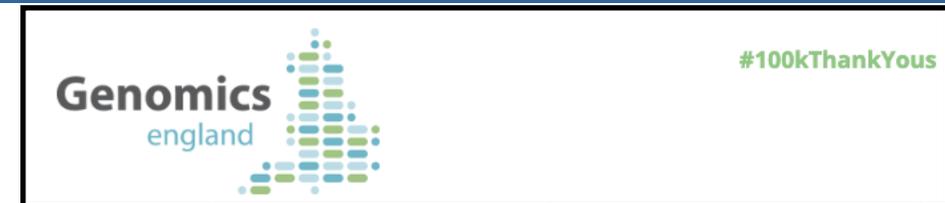
**International Cancer Genome Consortium (ICGC)** (<https://icgc.org/>)



**IGSR: The International Genome Sample Resource**  
Providing ongoing support for the 1000 Genomes Project data



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Harmonized Cancer Datasets  
Genomic Data Commons Data Portal

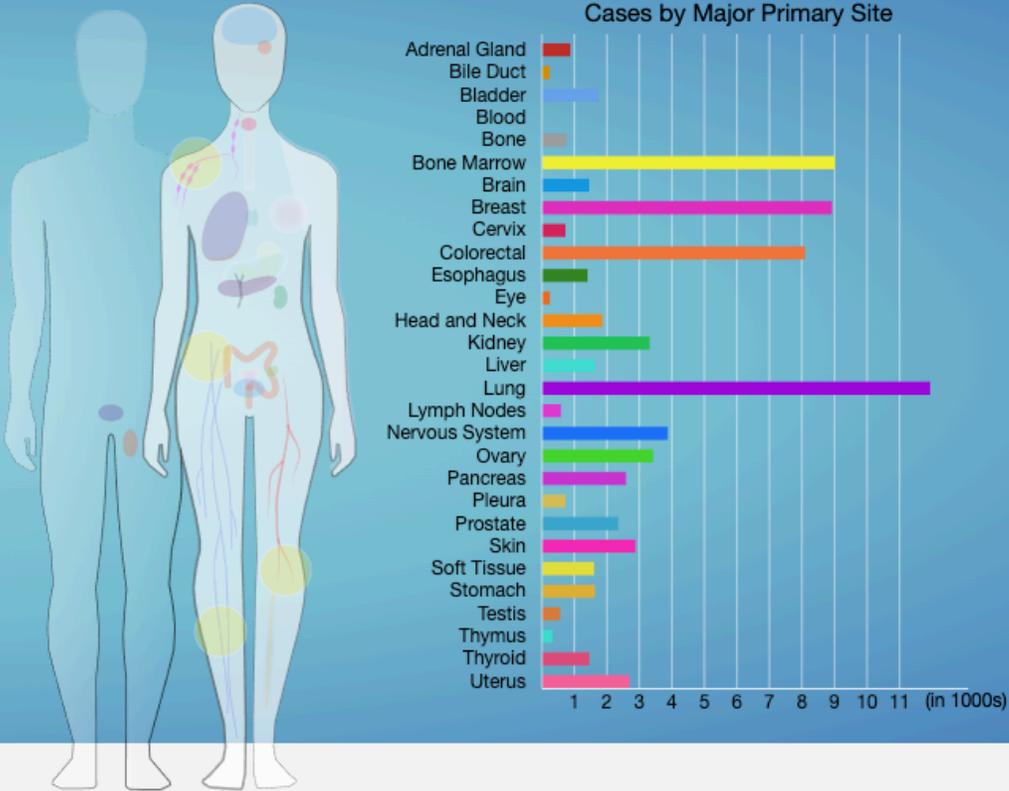
Get Started by Exploring:

Projects Exploration Analysis Repository

Q e.g. BRAF, Breast, TCGA-BLCA, TCGA-A5-A0G2

**Data Portal Summary** [Data Release 22.0 - January 16, 2020](#)

|                             |                                |                                   |
|-----------------------------|--------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| <p>PROJECTS</p> <p>64</p>   | <p>PRIMARY SITES</p> <p>67</p> | <p>CASES</p> <p>83,709</p>        |
| <p>FILES</p> <p>526,931</p> | <p>GENES</p> <p>22,872</p>     | <p>MUTATIONS</p> <p>3,142,246</p> |



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| Bladder/Urinary Tract | 15 |   |  |
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| Bowel                 | 10 |   |  |
| Breast                | 16 |   |  |
| CNS/Brain             | 19 |   |  |
| Cervix                | 2  |   |  |
| Esophagus/Stomach     | 14 |   |  |
| Eye                   | 3  |   |  |
| Head and Neck         | 13 |   |  |
| Kidney                | 17 |   |  |
| Liver                 | 8  |   |  |
| Lung                  | 21 |   |  |
| Lymphoid              | 20 |   |  |
| Myeloid               | 9  |   |  |
| Other                 | 15 |   |  |
| Ovary/Fallopian Tube  | 4  |   |  |

**PanCancer Studies**

- MSK-IMPACT Clinical Sequencing Cohort (MSKCC, Nat Med 2017)   10945 samples
- Pan-Lung Cancer (TCGA, Nat Genet 2016)   1144 samples
- Pediatric Pan-cancer (Columbia U, Genome Med 2016)   103 samples

**Cell lines**

- Cancer Cell Line Encyclopedia (Broad, 2019)   1739 samples
- Cancer Cell Line Encyclopedia (Novartis/Broad, Nature 2012)   1020 samples
- NCI-60 Cell Lines (NCI, Cancer Res 2012)   67 samples

**Adrenal Gland**

**Adrenocortical Carcinoma**

- Adenoid Cystic Carcinoma Project (2019)   1049 samples
- Adrenocortical Carcinoma (TCGA, Firehose Legacy)   92 samples
- Adrenocortical Carcinoma (TCGA, PanCancer Atlas)   92 samples

**Ampulla of Vater**

**Ampullary Carcinoma**

- Ampullary Carcinoma (Baylor College of Medicine, Cell Reports 2016)   160 samples

**Biliary Tract**

**Cholangiocarcinoma**

- Cholangiocarcinoma (MSK, Clin Cancer Res 2018)   195 samples
- Cholangiocarcinoma (National Cancer Centre of Singapore, Nat Genet ...   15 samples
- Cholangiocarcinoma (National University of Singapore, Nat Genet 2012)   8 samples
- Cholangiocarcinoma (TCGA, Firehose Legacy)   51 samples
- Cholangiocarcinoma (TCGA, PanCancer Atlas)   36 samples
- Intrahepatic Cholangiocarcinoma (JHU, Nat Genet 2013)   40 samples

**INTRAHEPATIC CHOLANGIOCARCINOMA**

- Intrahepatic Cholangiocarcinoma (Shanghai, Nat Commun 2014)   103 samples

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**Cancer Studies**

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Cases by Top 20 Primary Sites

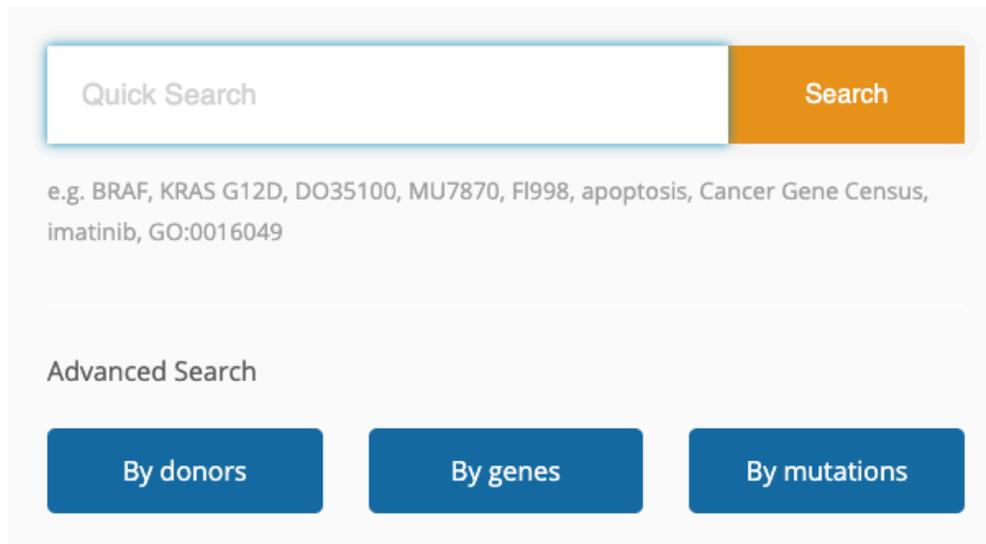


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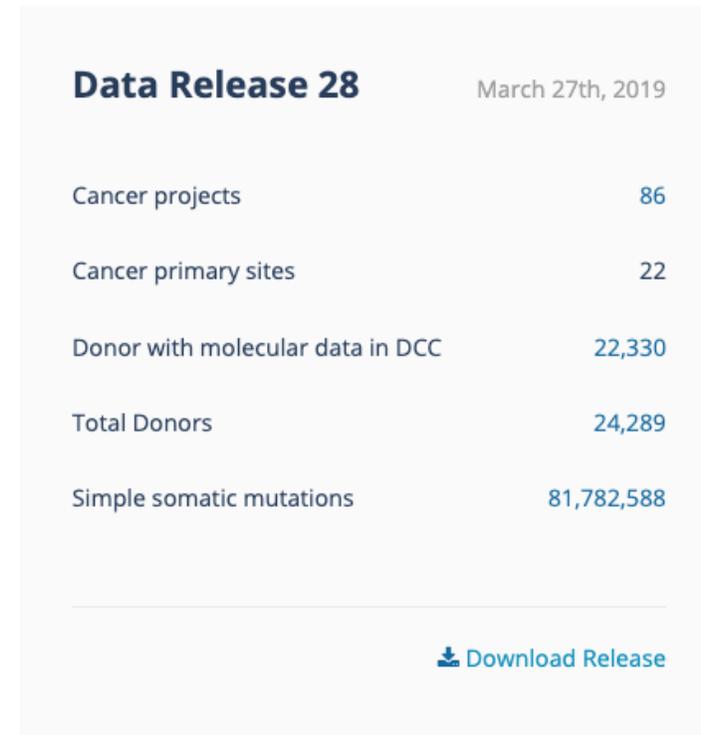


The ICGC Data Portal navigation bar features the ICGC logo (a globe with a DNA helix) and the text "ICGC Data Portal". Below the logo are five colored buttons: "Cancer Projects" (orange), "Advanced Search" (blue), "Data Analysis" (purple), "DCC Data Releases" (teal), and "Data Repositories" (green).

Cancer genomics data sets visualization, analysis and download.



The search interface includes a "Quick Search" input field with a "Search" button. Below the input field, example search terms are listed: "e.g. BRAF, KRAS G12D, DO35100, MU7870, F1998, apoptosis, Cancer Gene Census, imatinib, GO:0016049". Below this is an "Advanced Search" section with three buttons: "By donors", "By genes", and "By mutations".



**Data Release 28** March 27th, 2019

|                                  |            |
|----------------------------------|------------|
| Cancer projects                  | 86         |
| Cancer primary sites             | 22         |
| Donor with molecular data in DCC | 22,330     |
| Total Donors                     | 24,289     |
| Simple somatic mutations         | 81,782,588 |

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# 3. Primer on statistical modeling

- Probability
  - Unsupervised learning, probability rules & Bayes' theorem
  - Binomial distribution, Bayesian statistics
  - Beta-binomial model example
- Mixture models, EM inference
- References:
  - Murphy, K. (2012). Machine Learning: A Probabilistic Perspective. MIT Press. ISBN: 9780262018029
  - Bishop, C. M. (2006). Pattern Recognition and Machine Learning (Information Science and Statistics). Springer. ISBN: 0387310738
  - <https://www.cs.ubc.ca/~murphyk/Teaching/CS340-Fall06/reading/bernoulli.pdf>

# Sequencing Data Analysis Requires Probabilistic Models

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- Sequencing data contain uncertainty due to
  - Technical noise from imperfect measurements & errors
  - Biological features in the signal measurements
- How do we predict genomic alterations accounting for these features and noise?
  - Need approaches to learn the patterns of these features from the data...

Types of machine learning:

- Supervised: output data  $y$ , input data  $x$ , and *training set*  $D = \{(x, y)\}$ 
  - Classification ( $y$  are labels), Regression ( $y$  is continuous)
- Unsupervised: Only given input data  $D = \{x\}$ , *learn the patterns of the data*
  - E.g. clustering input data  $x$  into  $K$  clusters by estimating their assignments  $z$

# Primer: Probability Theory

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Let  $X$  be a random variable. The probability for the event  $X = x$  for some value  $x$  is  $p(X = x)$  or  $p(x)$  for short. Let  $Y$  be another random variable.

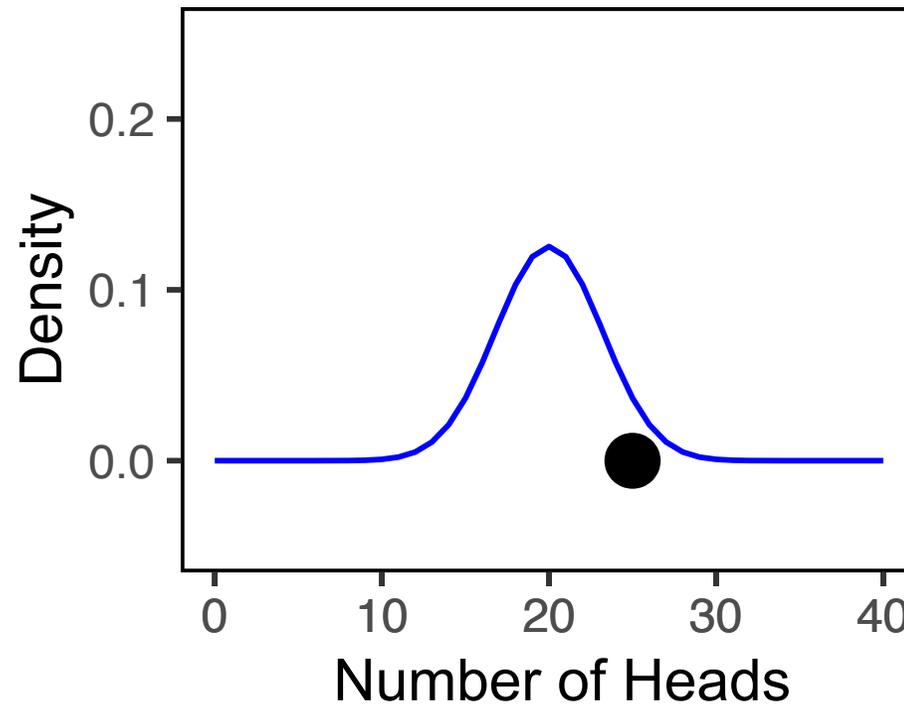
## Probability Rules

- **Sum rule:**  $p(X) = \sum_Y p(X, Y)$
- **Product rule:**  $p(X, Y) = p(Y | X)p(X)$  and  $p(Y, X) = p(X | Y)p(Y)$
- **Conditional Probabilities:**  $p(Y | X) = \frac{p(X, Y)}{p(X)}$
- **Marginal Probabilities:**  $p(X) = \sum_Y p(Y, X) = \sum_Y p(X | Y)p(Y)$
- **Bayes' Theorem (rule):**  $p(Y | X) = \frac{p(X, Y)}{p(X)} = \frac{p(X | Y)p(Y)}{\sum_{Y'} p(X | Y')p(Y')}$

# Probability distribution: Binomial

## Binomial Distribution: Referee Coin Toss Example

- A referee has a coin that he uses to decide which team gets first possession. She tossed the coin  $N$  times last season, once per game. We assume this coin was fair and had a probability  $\mu = 0.5$  for showing a head. We kept track of the number of heads  $x$  that appeared.
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## Probability mass function

- Let  $X$  be the random variable representing the number of heads. If the probability of heads is  $\mu$ , then  $X$  has a binomial distribution,  $X \sim \text{Bin}(N, \mu)$  or  $p(X = x | N, \mu) = \text{Bin}(x | N, \mu)$  where

$$\text{Bin}(x | N, \mu) = \binom{N}{x} \mu^x (1 - \mu)^{N-x}$$

$$\binom{N}{k}$$

number of ways the 25 heads is observed among the sequence of 40 tosses.

- Our coin-toss example: for  $x = 25$  out of  $N = 40$  and a fair coin  $\mu = 0.5$

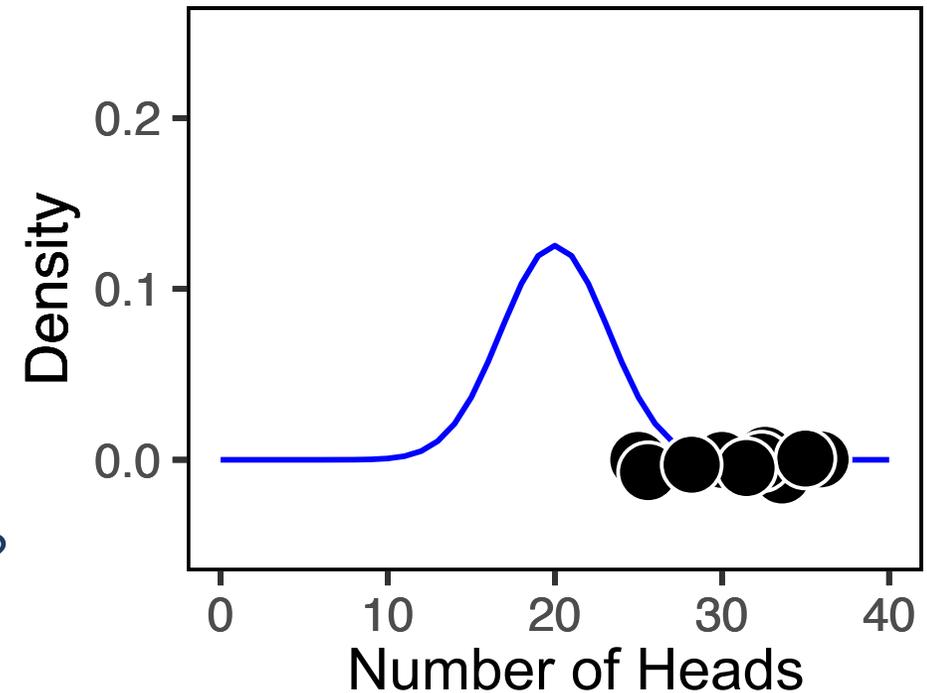
$$p(X = 25 | N = 40, \mu = 0.5) = \text{Bin}(25 | 40, 0.5) = \binom{40}{25} 0.5^{25} (1 - 0.5)^{40-25}$$

# Binomial likelihood model

- Suppose there are  $T$  different referees who toss the *same* coin  $N = \{1, \dots, N_T\}$  times and come up with head counts  $\mathbf{x} = \{1, \dots, x_T\}$ .
- Assuming the referees' tosses are *independent* and *identically distributed (iid)*, what is the probability of observing the head counts given the coin (e.g.  $\mu = 0.5$ )?

$$p(x_{1:T} | N_{1:T}, \mu) = \prod_{i=1}^T \text{Bin}(x_i | N_i, \mu) \quad \text{Likelihood}$$

- What if the coin wasn't fair and the probability of heads,  $\mu$ , might not be 0.5?



|             | # of tosses ( $N$ ) | # of heads ( $x$ ) |
|-------------|---------------------|--------------------|
| Referee 1   | 40                  | 25                 |
| Referee 2   | 42                  | 35                 |
| Referee 3   | 39                  | 27                 |
| Referee $T$ | $x_T$               | $N_T$              |

# Maximum likelihood estimation (MLE)

- What is the probability of heads,  $\mu$ , of this coin given the evidence?
- We can estimate this model *parameter* using

***maximum likelihood estimation***

$$p(x_{1:T} | N_{1:T}, \mu) = \prod_{i=1}^T \text{Bin}(x_i | N_i, \mu)$$

**Likelihood**

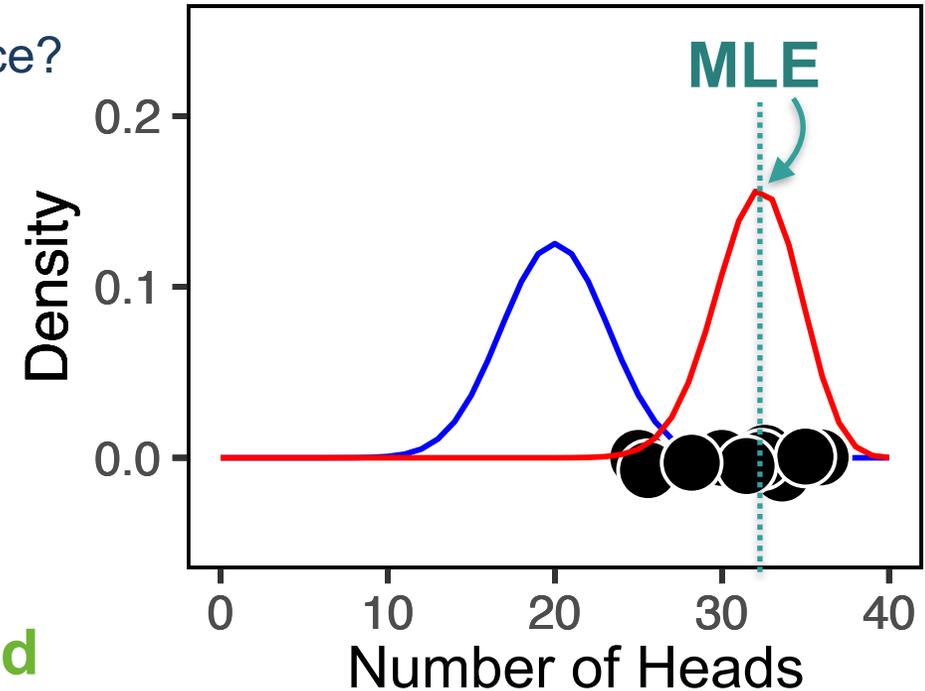
$$\log p(x_{1:T} | N_{1:T}, \mu) = \sum_{i=1}^T \log \text{Bin}(x_i | N_i, \mu)$$

**Log-likelihood**

$$\hat{\mu} = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^T x_i}{\sum_{i=1}^T N_i}$$

**MLE**

1. Log of the likelihood
2. Take the derivative wrt to  $\mu$
3. Equate to 0
4. Solve for  $\mu$



# Bayesian Statistics: Prior distribution for model parameters

## Likelihood for Binomial Model

$$p(x_{1:T} | N_{1:T}, \mu) = \prod_{i=1}^T \text{Bin}(x_i | N_i, \mu) \quad \text{Likelihood}$$

- MLE uses the evidence to estimate parameter  $\hat{\mu}$  but our sample size is small and MLE may **overfit**
- **Zero count or sparse data problem:** If you have a bad record keeper who only tallies coin tosses from referees who never tosses a tail, then does that mean the concept of tails on a coin does not exist at all?
- Can we capture a more natural expectation of how a coin might behave? Also, what if we have some knowledge that the coin might be biased?

|           | # of tosses ( $N$ ) | # of heads ( $x$ ) | Prop. of heads |
|-----------|---------------------|--------------------|----------------|
| Referee 1 | 40                  | 25                 | 0.63           |
| Referee 2 | 42                  | 35                 | 0.83           |
| Referee 3 | 39                  | 27                 | 0.69           |
| Referee T | $x_T$               | $N_T$              | $x_T/N_T$      |

## Prior Distribution for binomial parameter, $\mu$

- The proportion of heads is between 0 and 1 ( $\mu \in [0,1]$ ) and can be sampled from a distribution itself
- $\mu$  can be drawn from a Beta distribution, which is in the interval  $[0,1]$ , with **hyper-parameters**  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$

$$\mu \sim \text{Beta}(\alpha, \beta)$$

$$p(\mu) = \text{Beta}(\mu | \alpha, \beta) \quad \text{Prior}$$

# Bayesian statistics: Posterior for Beta-Binomial Model (1)

## Binomial likelihood and Beta prior

- $T$  different head counts  $\mathbf{x} = \{1, \dots, x_T\}$  for  $\mathbf{N} = \{1, \dots, N_T\}$  sets of tosses and a **prior** distribution on  $\mu$  (prob. of heads)

$$p(x_{1:T} | N_{1:T}, \mu) = \prod_{i=1}^T \text{Bin}(x_i | N_i, \mu) \quad \text{Likelihood}$$
$$p(\mu) = \text{Beta}(\mu | \alpha, \beta) \quad \text{Prior}$$

- To estimate parameter  $\mu$  in a Bayesian framework
  - We need the **posterior**,  $p(\mu | \mathbf{x})$ , but only have  $p(\mathbf{x} | \mu)$  and  $p(\mu)$

- Recall Bayes' Theorem:

$$\text{Posterior} \quad p(Y | X) = \frac{p(X | Y)p(Y)}{\sum_{Y'} p(X | Y')p(Y')} \propto p(X | Y) p(Y) \quad \text{Likelihood Prior}$$

- The **posterior** is our **belief state** by combining evidence from observations and our prior beliefs.

# Bayesian statistics: Posterior for Beta-Binomial Model (2)

## Beta-Binomial Model: Posterior distribution

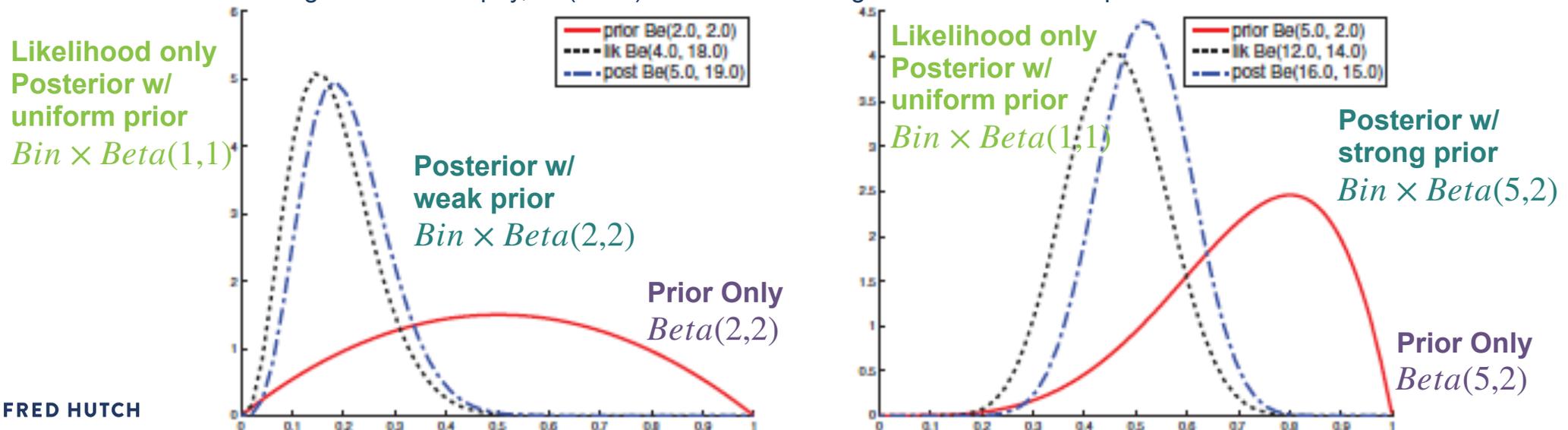
- To estimate the model parameter  $\mu$  in a Bayesian framework, we compute the **posterior**,  $p(\mu | \mathbf{x})$

$$p(\mu | \mathbf{x}) \propto \prod_i^T \text{Bin}(x_i | N_i, \mu) \times \text{Beta}(\mu | \alpha, \beta)$$

- Beta is a **conjugate prior** for the binomial; the product of binomial and Beta has the form of a Beta

$$p(\mu | \mathbf{x}) \propto \prod_i^T \underbrace{\text{Bin}(x_i | N_i, \mu)}_{\text{Likelihood}} \times \underbrace{\text{Beta}(\mu | \alpha, \beta)}_{\text{Prior}} = \prod_i^T \underbrace{\text{Beta}(\mu | x_i + \alpha, N_i - x_i + \beta)}_{\text{Posterior}}$$

Figure 3.6 in Murphy, K. (2012). Machine Learning: A Probabilistic Perspective. MIT Press



# Bayesian statistics: MAP estimate

## Beta-Binomial Model: Posterior distribution

$$p(\mu | \mathbf{x}) \propto \prod_i^T \text{Bin}(x_i | N_i, \rho) \times \text{Beta}(\mu | \alpha, \beta) = \prod_i^T \text{Beta}(\mu | x_i + \alpha, N_i - x_i + \beta)$$

**Posterior**

- Then, what is the probability of heads,  $\mu$ , of this coin given the **evidence** and the **prior**?

## Maximum a posteriori (MAP) estimate

- From the posterior, we can estimate the parameter using the **maximum a posteriori (MAP)**,  $\hat{\mu}_{MAP}$
- MAP refers to the mode of the posterior distribution and the mode of a Beta is  $\frac{\alpha - 1}{\alpha + \beta - 2}$
- Since the posterior has the form of a Beta distribution, then the MAP is  $\frac{\alpha' - 1}{\alpha' + \beta' - 2}$
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$$\alpha' = \sum_i^T x_i + \alpha$$

$$\beta' = \sum_i^T (N_i - x_i) + \beta$$

$$\hat{\mu}_{MAP} = \frac{\sum_i^T x_i + \alpha - 1}{\sum_i^T N_i + \alpha + \beta - 2}$$

1. Log of the posterior
2. Take the derivative wrt to  $\mu$
3. Equate to 0
4. Solve for  $\mu$

**MAP**

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# Mapping the Referee Example to Mutation Calling

## Referee Coin Toss Example

### Data

Referees  $1, \dots, T$

For each Referee  $i$

- Coin Tosses:  $N_i$
- Count of heads:  $x_i$
- Count of tails:  $N_i - x_i$

### Parameters

Probability to draw coins:  $\pi_{fair}, \pi_{heads}, \pi_{tails}$

Probability of heads for 3 types of coins

$$\mu_{fair}, \mu_{heads}, \mu_{tails}$$

### Responsibilities

Probability that Referee  $i$  used coin  $k$ :  $\gamma(Z_i = k)$

## Mutation Calling from Sequencing Data

### Data

Genomic loci  $1, \dots, T$

For each locus  $i$

- Depth (total reads):  $N_i$
- Count of reference reads:  $x_i$
- Count of variant reads:  $N_i - x_i$

### Parameters

Probability of genotypes:  $\pi_{AA}, \pi_{AB}, \pi_{BB}$

Probability of reference base for 3 genotypes:

$$\mu_{AA}, \mu_{AB}, \mu_{BB}$$

### Responsibilities

Probability that locus  $i$  has genotype  $k$ :  $\gamma(Z_i = k)$

# Mixture Models: Online Tutorial and Resource

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**fiveMinuteStats** (<https://stephens999.github.io/fiveMinuteStats/>)

by **Dr. Matthew Stephens**, Professor in Statistics & Human Genetics at University of Chicago

1. Introduction to mixture models with probabilistic derivations and R code
  - Examples with Bernoulli and Gaussian models
  - [https://stephens999.github.io/fiveMinuteStats/intro\\_to\\_mixture\\_models.html](https://stephens999.github.io/fiveMinuteStats/intro_to_mixture_models.html)
2. Introduction to EM with Gaussian Mixture Model example and R code
  - [https://stephens999.github.io/fiveMinuteStats/intro\\_to\\_em.html](https://stephens999.github.io/fiveMinuteStats/intro_to_em.html)

# Homework #5: Single-nucleotide Genotype Caller

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Implement a standard binomial mixture model described in Lecture 2.

- Learn the parameters and infer the genotypes
- Annotate the mutation status for a set of genomic loci.
- Expected outputs for each question will be provided so that you can check your code.
- RStudio Markdown and Python Jupyter Notebook templates provided.

**Due: May 8th**

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- Monday, May 4, 2-3pm
- Wednesday, May 6, 2-3pm