How is DNA Packaged into Chromosomes?

Chromatin - the unit of analysis of the chromosome

- Reflects the general structure of the chromosome
- Basic structure shared by all eukaryotic chromosomes

Important observations from the Age of Cytogentics

- Used dyes to stain to develop a *karyotype* of the species
- Chromosome number and <u>"organization"</u>

G-banding

The first genomics science!!!!

- Giemsa stain binds to phosphate groups
 - Differentially stained regions observed in all species

Euchromatin

- Lightly-stained regions are euchromatin
- Contain single-copy genes
 - Genetically-active DNA (generally)
 - High rates of recombination

Heterochromatin

- **Darkly-stained** regions are heterochromatic
- Contain repetitive sequences
 - o Genetically inactive (generally)
 - Low rates of recombination
- Thought to contain genes of high functional importance

Treat with trypsin; then stain **Dark bands: A-T rich **Light bands: G-C rich

Human G-banding

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Human G-banding number

• Used to identify cytogenetic location human mutations

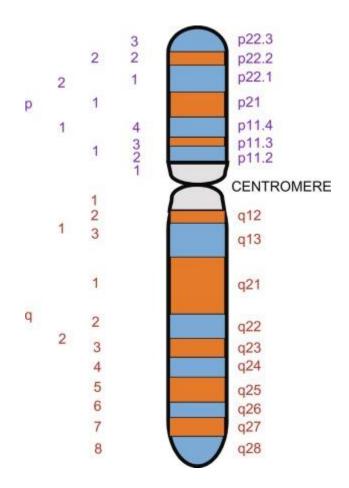
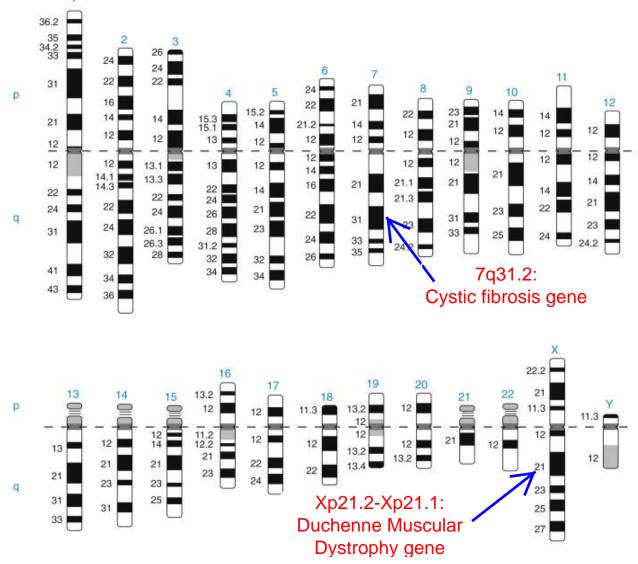


Fig. 13.4. An example of G-banding pattern on X-chromosome. The short arm is p, and the long arm is q. Each arm is divided into larger regions that are further subdivided into smaller bands and interbands. **from:** Chang-Hui Shen (2019) Molecular Diagnosis of Chromosomal Disorders *in* Diagnostic Molecular Biology.



Human Chromosome Karyotype Numbering

FIGURE 11.2. Ideogram showing G-banding patterns of human metaphase chromosomes. About 400 bands are observed per haploid set. Centromeres are indicated by the dark, gray regions separating the short (p) arms from the long (q) arms. **from**: Leon E. Rosenberg, Diane Drobnis Rosenberg (2012) Chromosome Abnormalities *in* Human Genes and Genomes

Location of Human Genes of Interest

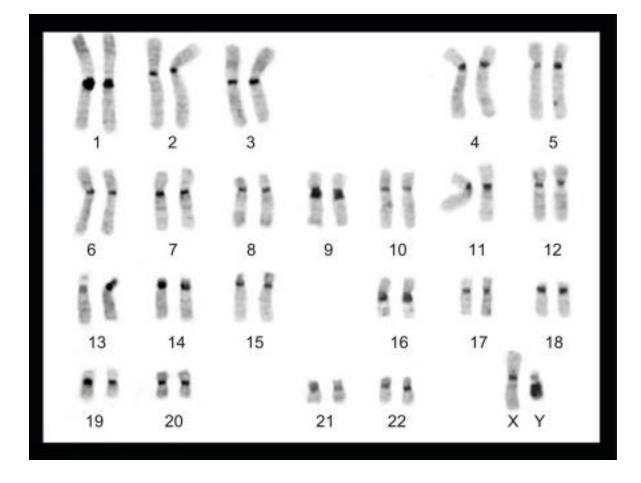
- 7q31.2: Cystic Fibrosis gene
- Xp21.2 Xp21.1: Duchenne Muscular Dystrophy gene
 - Dystrophin largest human gene

Alkaline denaturation of chromosomes; then stain

C-banding

****Specific to heterochromatic regions**

- Stains centromeres of chromosomes
 - o Differentially stained regions observed in all species



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Wheat, an allohexaploid species. Three subgenomes, A, B, and D!!!

Hexaploid Wheat C-banding Detects Evolutionary Differences

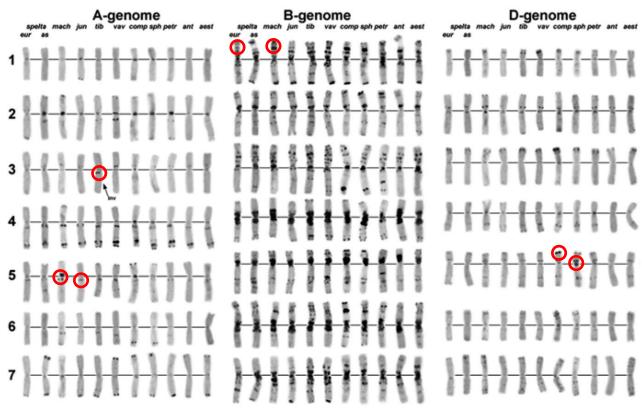


Fig. 9.2 Karyotype diversity in hexaploid wheat species of the Emmer group; splt- T. spelta L., eur – European type, as – Asian type, mach – T. macha Dekapr. et Menabde, jun – T. aesticum ssp. junnanense , tib – T. aestivum ssp. tibetianum Shao, vav – T. vavilovii (Thum.) Jakubz., comp – T. compactum Host, sph – T. sphaerococcum Perciv., petr – T. petropavlovskyi Udacz. et Migush., ant – T. antiquorum Heer ex Udacz, aest – T. aestivum L. em Thell. 1–7 – homoeologous groups. Chromosomal rearrangements are arrowed. **from:** Badaeva et al (2015) Chromosomal Changes over the Course of Polyploid Wheat Evolution and Domestication *in* Advances in Wheat Genetics: from Genome to Field.

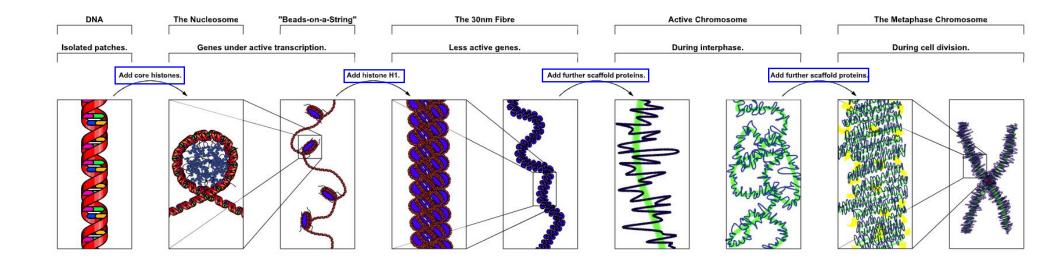
Problem of Great Biological Importance

- Length of DNA is far greater than the size of the nucleus
 - *How does all of that chromosome DNA packed into the nucleus???*
- DNA has to be condensed in some manner
 - So, how is the DNA condensed?

Packing ratio

- Degree to which DNA is condensed
- **Packing ratio** = the length of DNA divided by the length into which it is packaged
- Human Chromosome 22 Example
 - \circ Contains 4.6 x 10⁷ bp of DNA
 - About 10 times the genome size of *E. coli*
 - $\circ~$ 14,000 μm long when fully extended DNA
 - During mitosis chromosome 22 is 2 μm long
 - <u>Packing ratio = 7000 (14,000/2).</u>

Chromatin Packaging Structures



Nucleosome

- Simplest packaging structure of DNA
 - Found in <u>ALL</u> eukaryotic chromosomes
 - Protein/DNA complex
 - Packing Ratio = 6

Histones

- **Protein component of histones**
 - Octamer of proteins
 - Two copies of four histone proteins
 - H2A, H2B, H3 and H4
 - o Highly conserved sequences

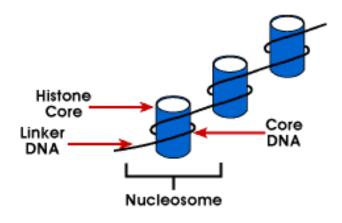
Core DNA

- <u>**146 bp**</u> wrapped around a protein complex
 - Length is invariant in eukaryotes
- <u>Two loops</u> wrap the histone complex
 - DNA sequences 80 bp apart can be brought into close proximity
- Structure causes <u>negative supercoiling</u>

Linker DNA

- DNA located between histone octamer complex
 - $\circ~$ Variable length from 8 to 114 base pairs
 - Species specific
- Linker DNA length associated with
 - Developmental stage of the organism
 - Specific regions of the genome

Nucleosome Structure



30 nm fiber

- Second level of organization of the chromatin
- Solenoid structure
 - Six nucleosomes per turn
- Stability of 30 nm fiber requires
 - o Histone H1
 - Strip H1 from chromatin structure falls apart
- Packing ratio = 40

700 nm Structure

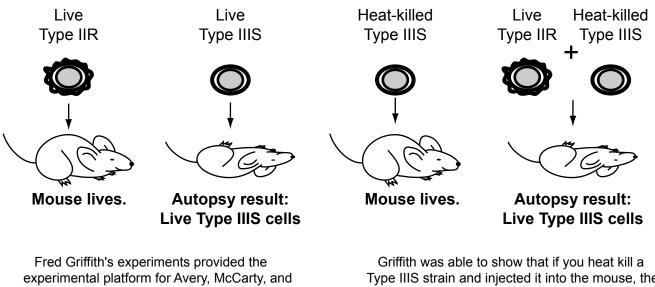
- Final structural level of chromatin
- Seen in the metaphase chromosome.
 - Result of **<u>extensive looping</u>** of the DNA in the chromosome
- Final packing ratio
 - 1,000 in interphase chromosomes
 - **o 10,000 in mitotic chromosomes**

Griffith and the Transforming Principle

A. The Concept

This is the CLASSIC EXPERIMENT that set the stage for the discovery that DNA was the genetic material.

The experiments of Griffith and Avery, MacLeod and McCarty are closely related. Griffith developed the concept of the *transforming principle*. The prinicple was able to transform a non-pathogenic bacteria into a pathogenic strain. Changing phenotype is one of the characteristics of the hereditary material. Griffith called the factor that changed the phenotype the tranforming principle. Avery, McCarty, and MacLeod performed a series of experiments that demonstrated *the hereditary materials was DNA*..



experimental platform for Avery, McCarty, and MacLeold to prove the DNA was the genetic material. He worked with the pathogenic bacteria Streptococcus pneumoniae that is lethal to mice. But not all types of the bacteria all lethal: type R is non-lethal, whereas type S is lethal. In addition, there are type II an III strains of the bacteria. Each of these can be either R or S. So a Type IIIS strain is lethal, whereas a type IIR is non-lethal. Griffith was able to show that if you heat kill a Type IIIS strain and injected it into the mouse, the mouse lived. But if you mixed the heat-killed type IIIS material with live type IIR bacteria, the mouse would die. Furthermore, the autopsy showed that the mouse became infected with the Type IIIS strain. These meant that some material from the Type IIIS strain was taken up by the Type IIR strain to convert it into the Type IIIS strain. Griffith termed the material the *transforming principle*.

One feature of the genetic material is its ability to control phenotype. In Griffith's experiment, the bacteria strains have several phenotypes. The R types are not only non-lethal, and they have a rough (R) appearance on a blood agar plate. The S type are distinct from the R type: they are lethal and have a smooth morphology on the plates. The S types have a polysaccharide capsule that is lacking in the R types. Each capsule type is distinguished using antibodies; the type II capsule is antigenically distinct from the type III. The transformation from type II to type III and the conversion of type R to S are each distinct phenotypic changes. Therefore if the chemical nature of the transforming principle could be determined, then we would know the nature of the genetic material. Avery, MacLeod and McCarty found the answer.

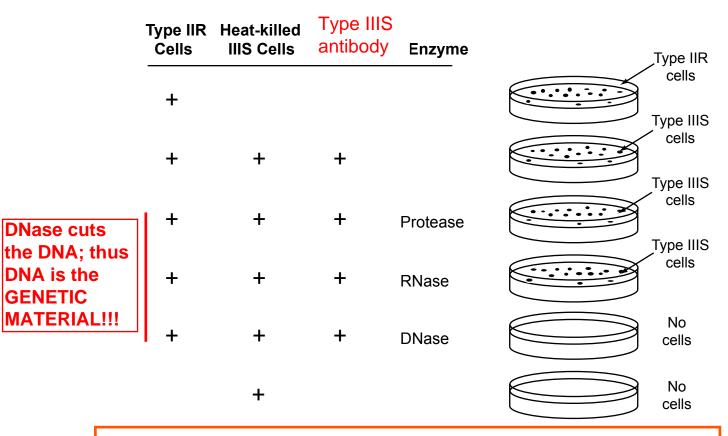
Figure 1. The experiment of Griffith that demonstrated the concept of the transforming principle.

The concept of a *TRANSFORMING PRINCIPLE* is directly related to the term *TRANSGENIC* and the principle of *GENETIC COMPLEMENTATION*.

Avery, MacLeod and McCarty: DNA Is The Genetic Material

A. The Concept

Avery, MacLeod and McCarty extended the work of Griffith. They used his system, but rather than working with the mice they only studied the bacterial phenotypes relative to the material from the dead type IIIS. They performed careful analysis and proved that DNA, and not protein or RNA, was the genetic material.



Rather than work with mice, Avery, MacLeod and McCarty used the phenotype of the *Streptococcus pneumoniae* cells expressed on blood agar. To ensure, a few potentially live cells did not escapte the heat treatment, they also precipitated those cells out of culture using an antibody to the type IIR cells. Finally, they included an enzyme treatment of the the material from the heat-killed cells. Each of these enzyme destroyed either proteins (protease), RNA (RNase), or DNA (DNase). These are the three main components of the heat-killed cells. As you can see above, the only treatement that prevented the conversion of the type IIR cells to type IIIS was DNase. This demonstrated conclusively that DNA was the transforming principle and the heredity chemical of life.

Figure 2. The experiment of Avery, MacLeod and McCarty that demonstrated that DNA was the genetic material.

DNA Structure

A. The Concept

DNA has a regular structure. It's orientation, width, width between nucleotides, length and number of nucleotides per helical turn is constant. All of these features were described by Watson and Crick. Adenine is always opposite thymine, and cytosine is always oppostie guanine. The two strands are held together by hydrogen bonds: two bonds between adeninine and thymine and three bonds between guanine and cytosine.

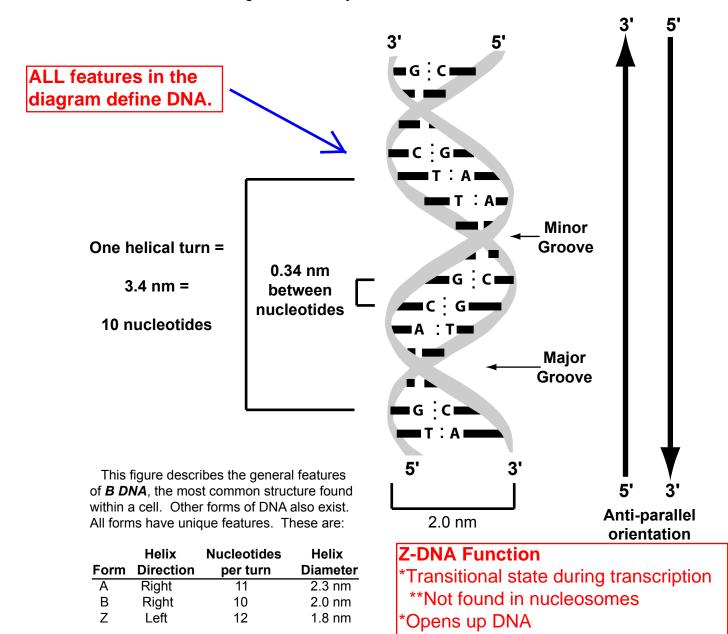


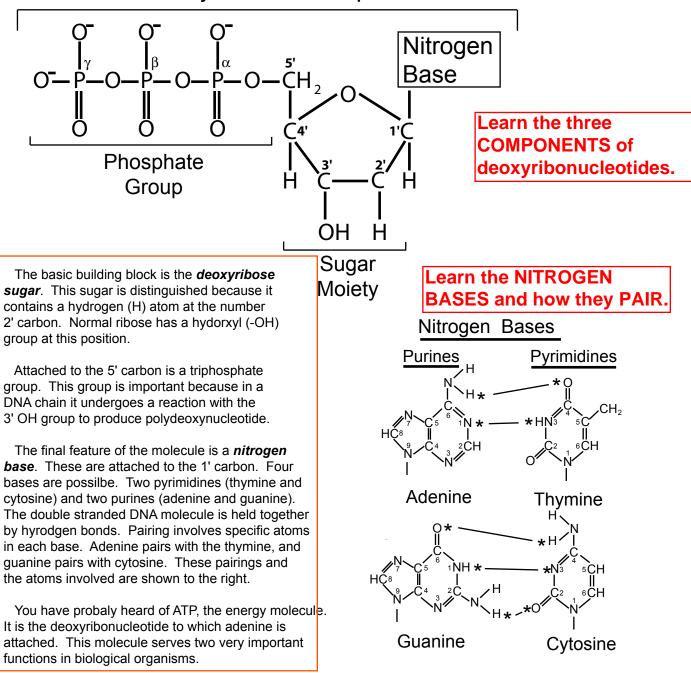
Figure 3. The structure of common DNA molecules.

**Allows access to transciption factors

Deoxyribonucleotide Structure

A. The Concept

DNA is a string of deoxyribonucleotides. These consist of three different components. These are the *dexoyribose sugar*, a *phosphate group*, and a *nitrogen base*. Variation in the nitrogen base composition distingushes each of the four deoxyribonucleotides.



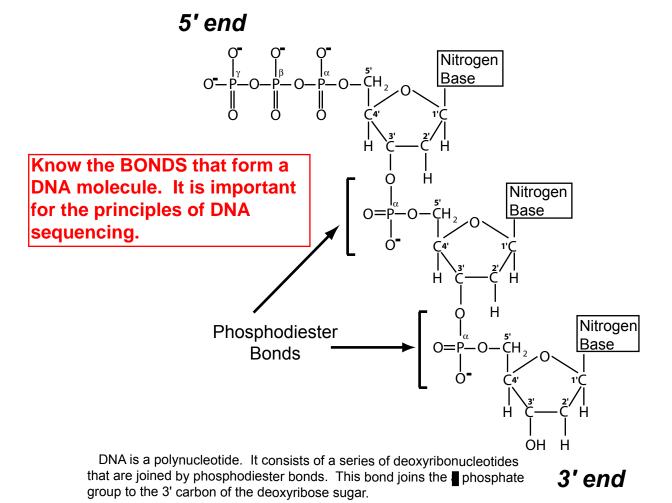
Basic deoxyribonucleotide components

Figure 4. The structure of deoxyribonucleotides and base pairing among N bases.

A Single Strand Molecule of DNA

A. The Concept

Each strand of the double-stranded DNA molecule has the same basic structure. It is a series of **Constant** deoxyribonucleotides linked together by phophodiester bonds.



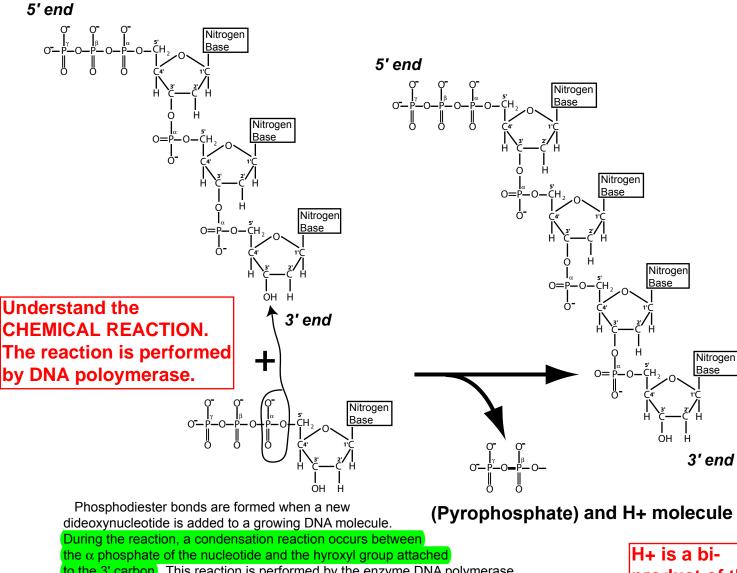
Each strand is complementary to the opposite strand. If one strand has an adenine at a position, its anti-parallel strand would have a thymine at the the corresponding position. Likewise, guanine and cytosine would be complementary.

Fig. 5. The single strand structure of DNA.

Why study DNA chain elongation??? DNA sequencing is a technological adaptation of DNA elongation!!! Making a Phosphodiester Bond/ Growing the DNA Chain

A. The Concept

The addition of a new nucleotide to a DNA molcule creates a phosphodiester bond. This requires the DNA chain that is being elongated and a deoxyribo-nucleotide.



to the 3' carbon) This reaction is performed by the enzyme DNA polymerase. This is also an energy requiring reaction. The energy is provided by the breaking of the high-energy phophate bond in the nucleotide. This results in the release of a pyrophosphate molecule.

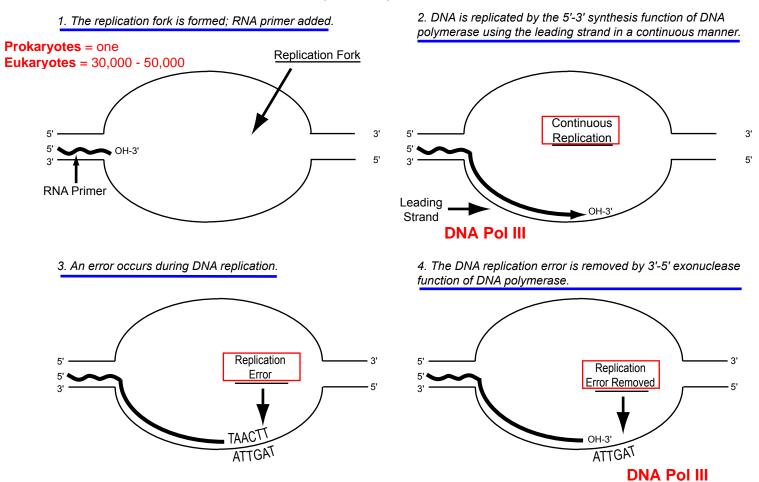
H+ is a biproduct of the reaction. The H+ generation is monitoried in the ION TORRENT sequencing technology.

Figure 6. The formation of the phosphodiester bond that grows the DNA chain.

Steps of DNA Replication (Part 1)

A. The Concept

DNA replication is an essential biological process. It's primary function is to produce new DNA for cell division. The process has several distinct steps that are important to understand. The factors that are absolute requirements for DNA replication to begin are a *free 3'-OH group* and a *DNA template*. A RNA primer provides the free 3'-OH group. The DNA to be replicated serves as the template. It is important to remember that *all* DNA replication proceeds in the 5'-3' direction.



Notes on *E. coli* replication:

DNA Polymerase I and III. Pol III is the primary replicase enzyme that performs the elongation of the DNA strand. It adds nucleotides first to the RNA primer and then grows the chain by creating the phosphodiester bonds. (It also has a 3'-5' proofreading (exonulcease) function that removes incorrecity incorporated nucleotides. DNA Pol I also has the 5'-3' replicase function, but it is primarily used to fill the gaps in the replicated DNA that occur when the RNA primer is removed. This enzyme also has a 5'-3' exonuclease function that is used to remove the RNA primer.

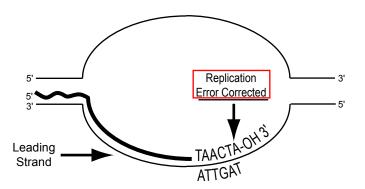
Figure 7. The steps of DNA replication.

DNA Polymerase III Function1. 5'-3' elongation2. 3'-5' proof reading

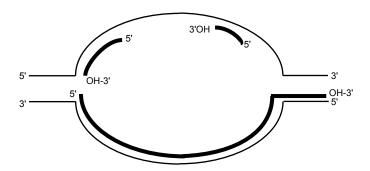
DNA Polymerase I Function 1. 5'-3' exonuclease remove RNA primer 2. 5'-3' replicase to fill in gap

Steps of DNA Replication (Part 2)

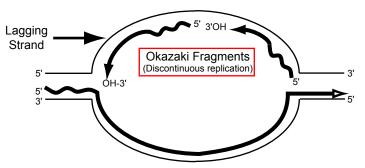
5. The DNA replication error is corrected.



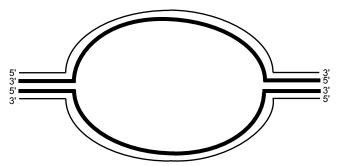
7. The RNA primers are removed by 5'-3 exonuclease function of DNA polymerase.



6. Meanwhile, Okazaki fragments are synthesized using the lagging strand in a discontinuous manner while the leadng strand is completed simultaneously.



8.. Replication is completed by the filling in the gaps by DNA polymerae and DNA ligase.



Notes on replication:

Okazaki fragments: Both prokaryotic and eukaryotic DNA replication proceed in the 5'-3' direction. This poses a problem because the replication fork only moves in that one direction. The problem relates to what is called the *lagging strand*. It must be replicated in a direction that is opposite of the direction of the replication fork. This problem was solved by the discovery of Okazaki fragments (named after the person who discovered the process). In contrast to the *leading strand*, in which DNA is replicated as a single molecule in a *continuous* manner, DNA is replicated in a *disocontinuous* manner on the lagging strand. Each fragment requires a RNA primer, and DNA Pol III in *E. coli* makes short stretches of DNA. These fragments are then stitched together when the primer is removed, and the strands are completed by the action of DNA Pol I and ligase.

Figure 7 (cont.). The steps of DNA replication.

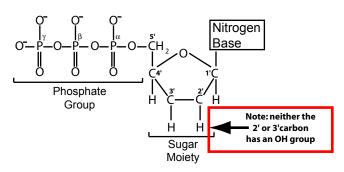
Other Enzymes 1. DNA Polymerase I 2. Ligase

Chain Termination Sequencing: the Sanger Technique

A. The Concept

DNA sequencing is the most important technique of genomics. By collecting the sequence of genes and genomes we begin to understand the raw material of phenotype development. The most common DNA sequencing technique is called *chain termination sequencing* or the *Sanger technique* (named after the person who created it). It is called chain termination because the incorporation of a *dideoxynucleotide* terminates the replication process because this nucleotide lacks the required 3'-OH group.

a. A dideoxynucleotide



b. The reaction reagents

<u>DNA template</u> <u>sequencing primer</u> <u>dNTPs</u> d<u>dNTPs</u> (low concentration) DNA polymerase salts

c. The sequencing reaction result: fragments that differ by one nucleotide in length

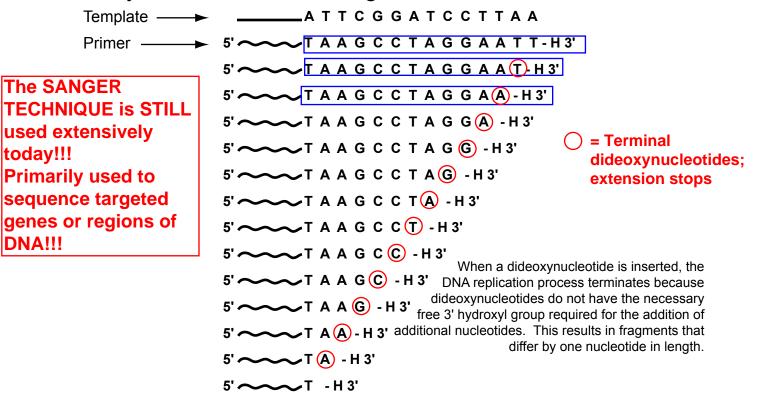
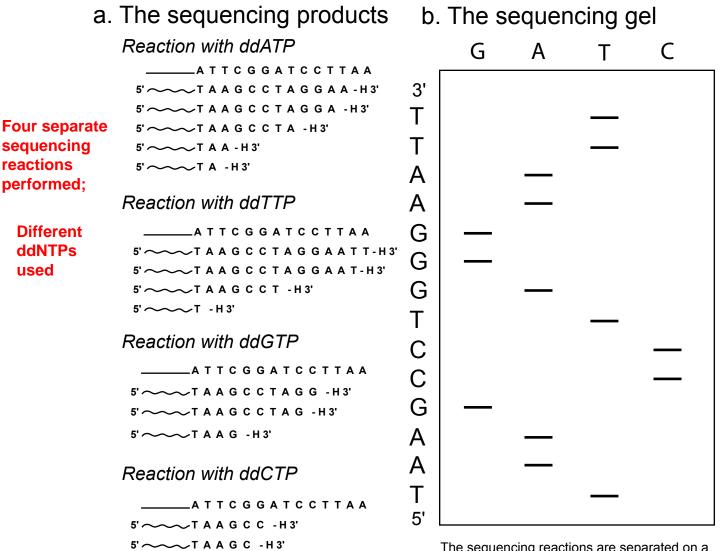


Figure 8. The chain termination (Sanger) DNA sequencing technique.

Gel-based Detection of DNA Sequences

A. The concept

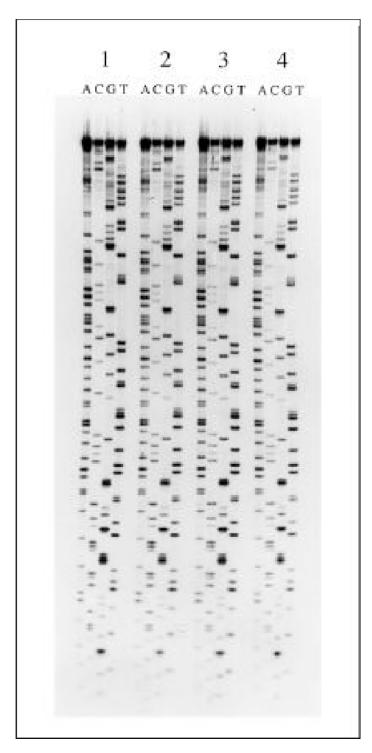
Four DNA sequencing reactions are performed. Each contains only one of the four dideoxynucleotides. Each reaction is added to a single lane on the gel. Since one of the dNTPs is radioactive, the gel in which the fragments are separated, can be used to expose an x-ray film and read the sequence.



The sequencing reactions are separated on a polyacrylamide gel. This gel separates the fragments based on size. The shorter fragments run further, the longer fragments run a shorter distance. This allows the scientists to read the sequence in the 5'-3' direction going from the bottom to the top of the gel.

Figure 9. Gel-based detection of DNA sequencing products.

DNA Autoradiogram



Fluorescent Sequencing and Laser Detection

A. The Concept

Rather than using four different reactions, each with a single dideoxynucleotide, the advent of fluorescently labeled dideoxynucleotide enabled 1) the sequencing reaction to be performed in a single tube, and 2) the fragment could be detected by laser technology. Originally, the products were separated in a polyacrylamide gel prior to laser detection. The introduction of capillary electrophoresis, coupled with laser detection enabled the detection of up to 96 products at a time.

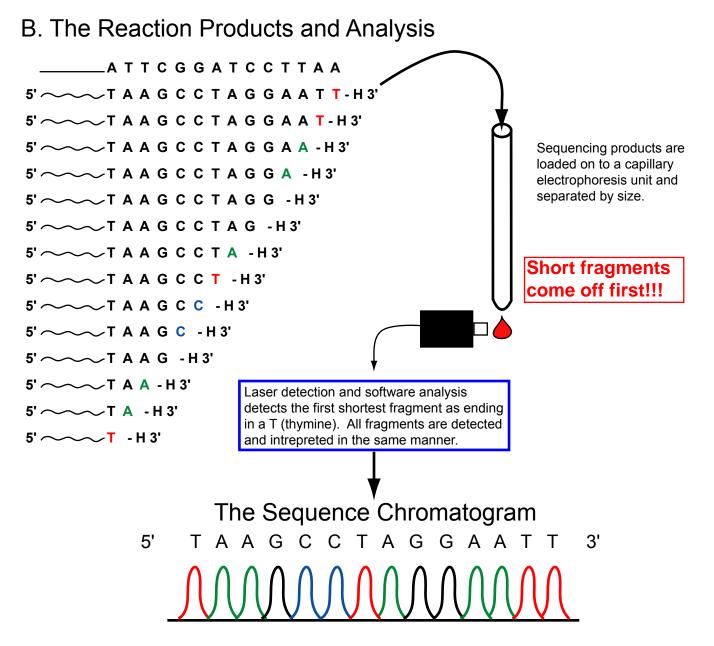
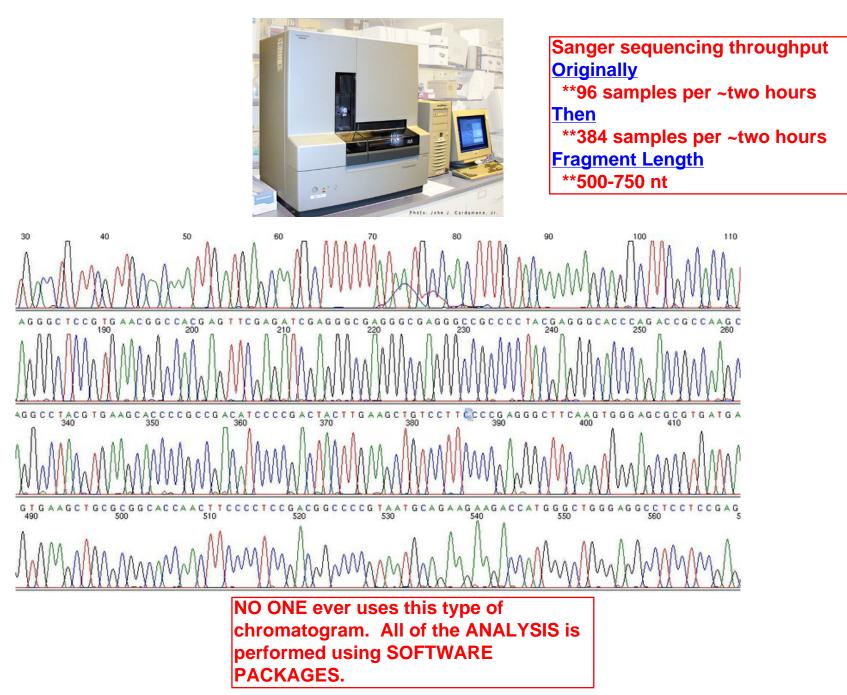


Figure 10. The fluorescent sequencing and laser detectiion process of DNA sequencing.

Output from Automated DNA Sequencer



MASSIVELY PARALLEL SEQUENCING The underlying principle of all modern genome sequencing projects.

What Was Needed for All New Approaches

Reducing Cost

• How: Parallel sequencing

 Large number of sequencing reactions occurring simultaneously

- Requires high density reactions matrix
 - Many reactions in a small space

Miniaturization of reaction unit or space
 Reduce reagent cost

Accomplished when above factors achieved

Throughput

- Many reactions occurring simultaneously
 - Current Sanger macrocapillary system
 - 96-384 reactions per machine
 - Sequencing centers have 30-60 machines
 - New approaches must have significantly greater throughput

Sequence Accuracy Must Be Maintained

Sanger procedure highly accurate

Quality score ** >Q20 requirement

- Well understood Phred scores reported
 - New systems will require quantifiable accuracy scores

Completeness

- Read length issue
 - o Sanger technology with capillary detection
 - o 500-700 nt
 - Allows for assembly into
 - Contigs
- Emerging technologies
 - o Length requirement
 - Must be long enough to align accurately
 - 25-100 nt read length
 - **Original goal** Sufficient for resequencing with a reference
 - genome
- Whole genome sequencing
 - o 100 nt (or longer) needed for smaller genomes
 - o Other advances needed for larger genomes

Today the principle read lengths are: *Illumina = 150 bp (standard) *PacBio = 20 kb (CCS or HiFi) = 60-80 kb (CLR) *Oxford Nanopore Technology (ONT) = up to Megabase

Notice the EVOLUTION of sequencing by the NUMBER OF MACHINES in the sequencing facility.

How Large Scale Sequencing Has Changed Over Time From a Centers Perspective

Then: DOE/JGI Sanger Sequencing Equipment Room



Two rooms **32 96 sample machines **32 384 sample machines

Recently: DOE/JGI Illumina GAII Equipment Room



Now: DOE/JGI Illumina HiSEQ Equipment Room



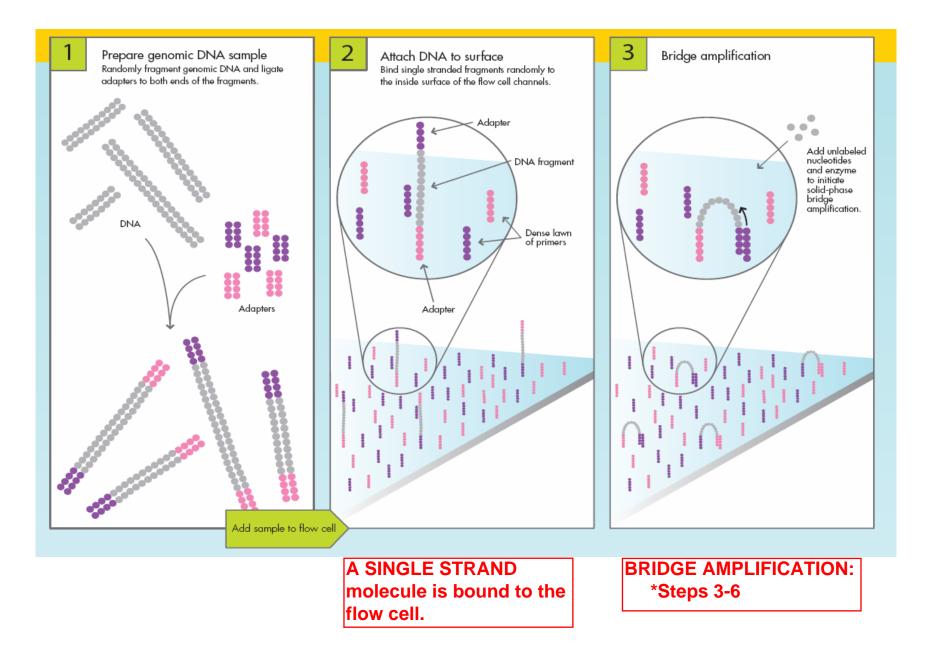
Now: DOE/JGI PacBIO Equipment Room

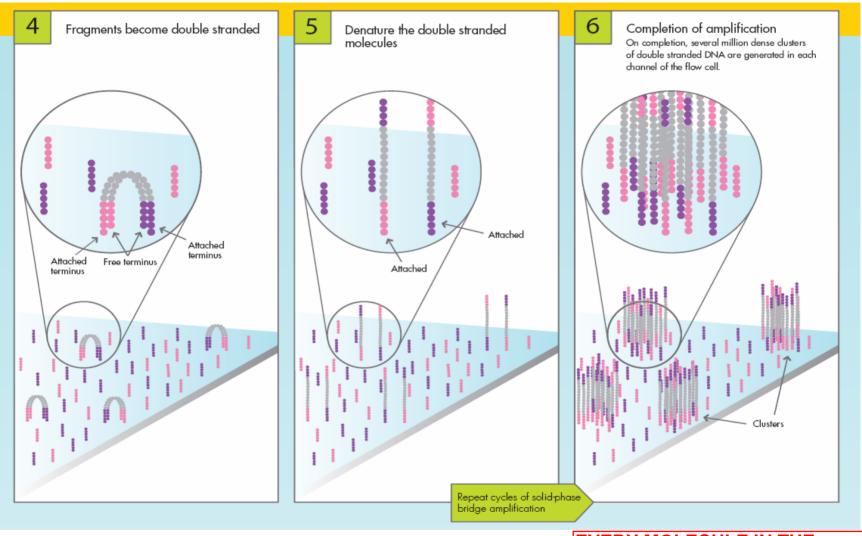




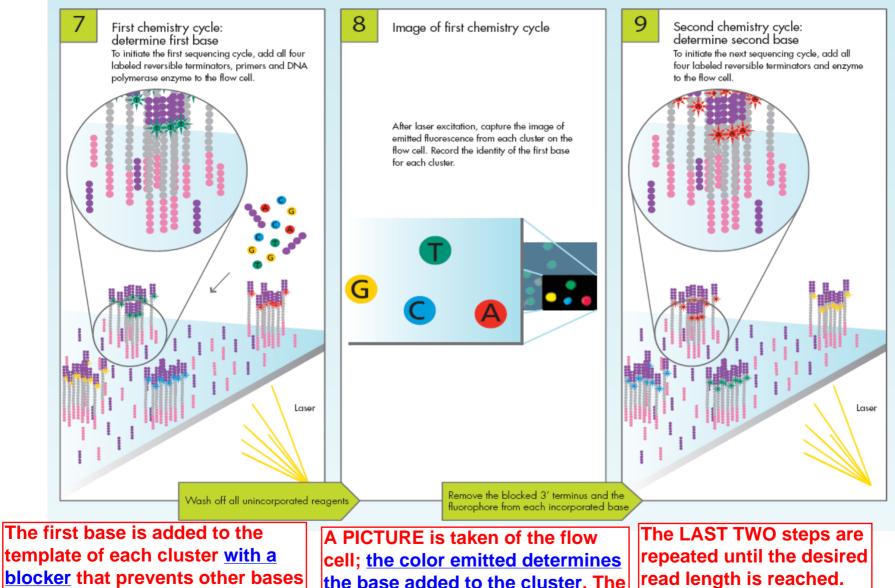
TODAY, Illumina is the MARKET LEADER in high throughput sequencing.

Illumina Sequencing by Synthesis Technology Founded 1998



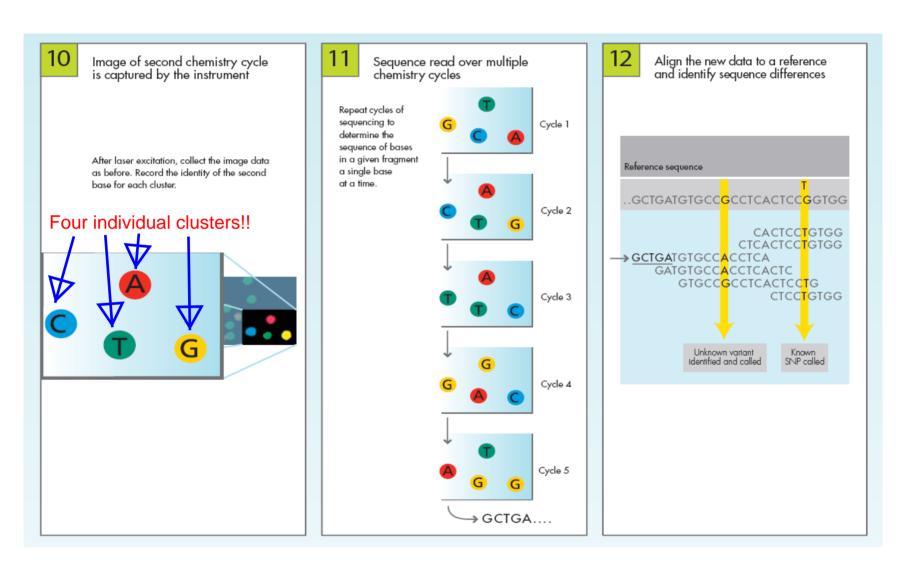


EVERY MOLECULE IN THE CLUSTER IS AN IDENTICAL TEMPLATE FOR SEQUENCING!!



blocker that prevents other bases from being added.

the base added to the cluster. The blocker is removed.



Notice the change in data OUTPUT over the different generations of the machines.

Illumina Sequencers Over Time: Today's Workhorse

Illumina GAII [Maximum (Max) output: 25 gigabases (Gb)]

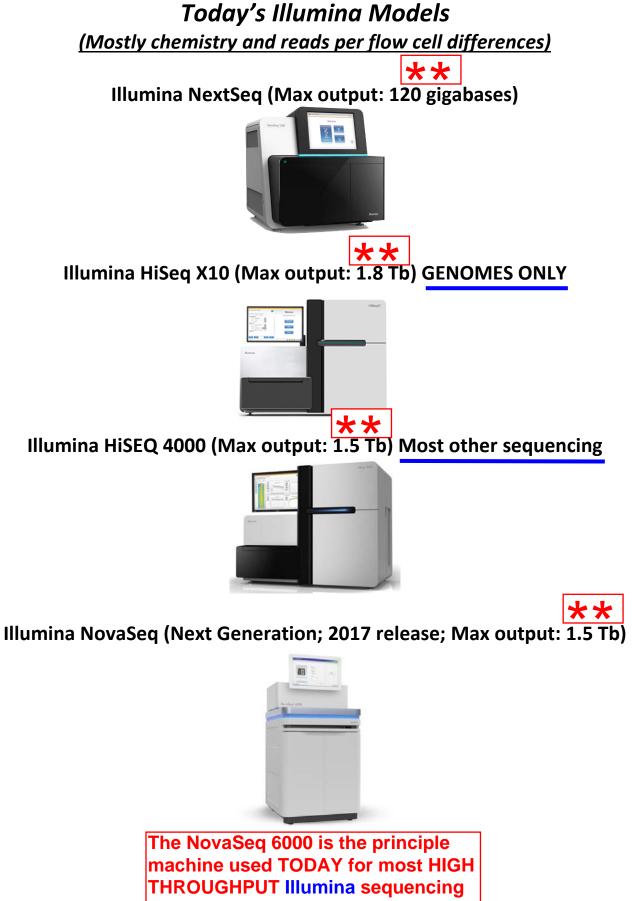


Bean Genome ~550 Mb (=0.55 Gb) ~45 Bean genomes of data collected

Illumina HiSeq 2500 (Max output; 500 Gb; Rapid Run Mode: 150 Gb)



~900 Bean genomes of data collected



in sequencing centers!!!

PACBIO: Single molecule sequencing ***SECOND TOOL in modern genome sequencing

Single Polymerase Real Time DNA Sequencing

Developed by Pacific Biosciences **Founded 2004** Sequences occurs at the rate of <u>10 nt per second</u>

Reaction Cell

Read the details here on your own after going over the images and watching the lecture. This is more for your in-depth knowledge than exam material.

TODAY

used

**25 million cells

**In practice not all

- A single DNA polymerase is immobilized on the bottom of a reaction cell
 - Reaction cell called a ZMW (Zero-mode waveguide)
- Φ29 DNA polymerase is used
 - Fast single subunit enzyme. 100 bp/sec
- Each sequencing plate contains ~3000 individual cells
 - Each holds only a single DNA motecule

Chemistry

- A phospholinked dNTP is used
 - Each dNTP contains a different fluorophore
- During sequence
 - A single labeled dNTP enters the polymerase
 - o dNTP held in place shortly
 - Fluorescence signal is emitted in the ZMW for a short period of time
 - o dNTP leaves and new dNTP enters

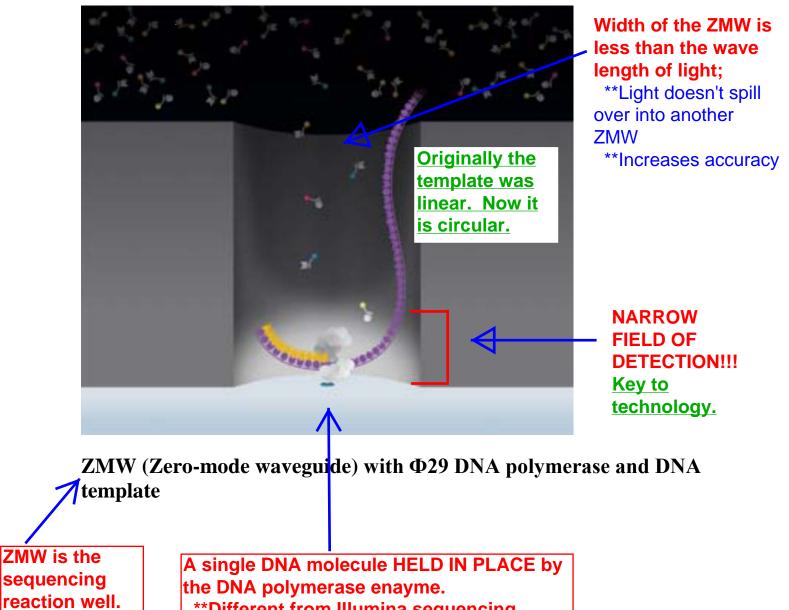
Detection and sequence determination

- Fluorescence signals for each ZMW collected
 - Data is collected as a movie of the sequential signals
 - Each individual signal is measured as a short pulse of light
 - Successive fluorescence signal data is collected
 - DNA sequence of single molecule is determined by sequence of light pulses

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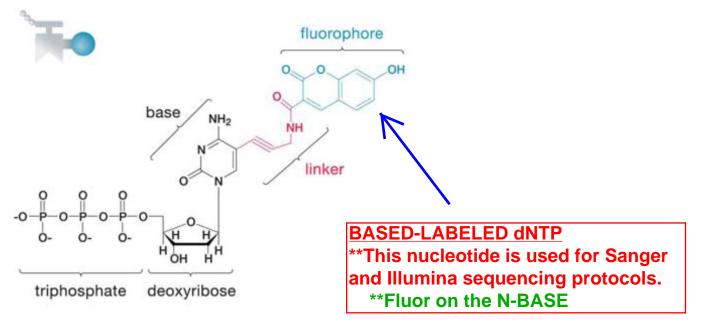
Pacific Biosciences Technology Backgrounder (11/24/2008)

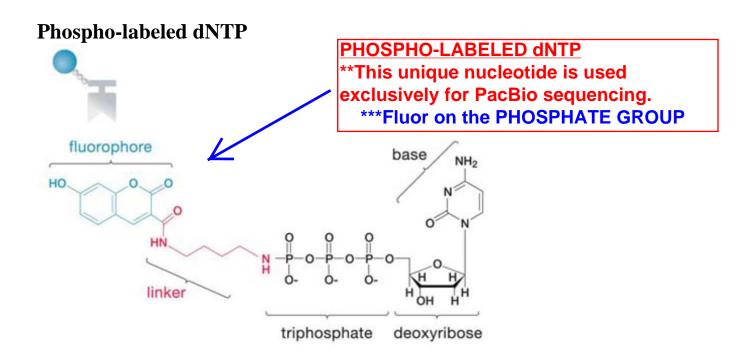
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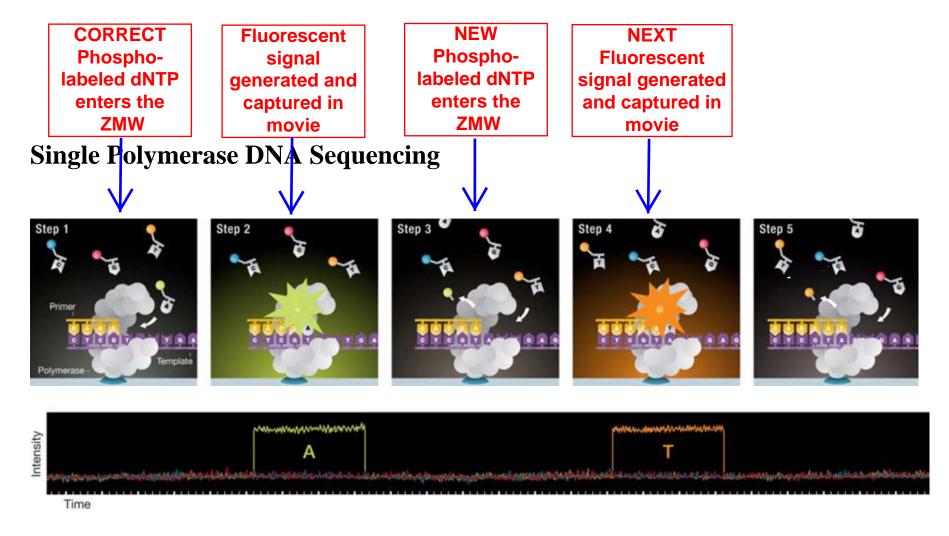


**Different from Illumina sequencing where the DNA template is bound to the flow cell

Base-labeled dNTP







Step 1: Fluorescent phospholinked labeled nucleotides are

introduced into the ZMW.

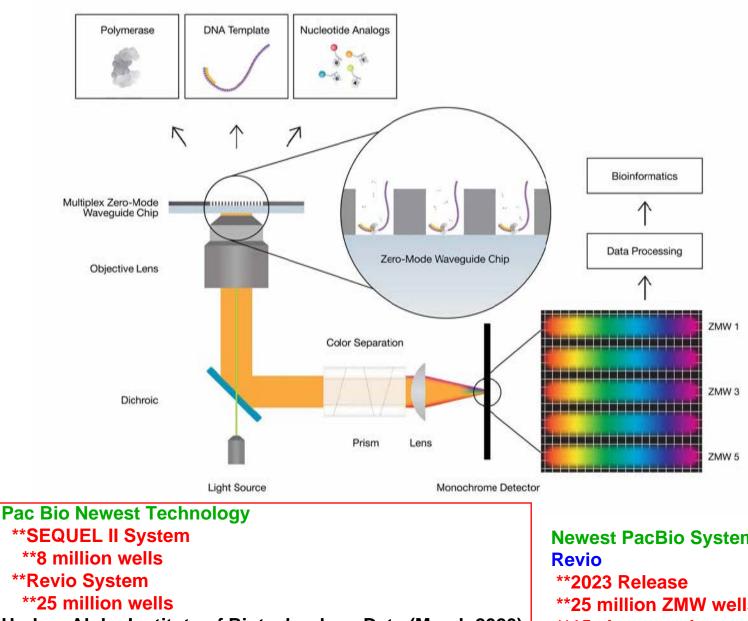
Step 2: The base being incorporated is held in the detection volume

for tens of milliseconds, producing a bright flash of light.

Step 3: The phosphate chain is cleaved, releasing the attached dye molecule.

Step 4-5: The process repeats.





HudsonAlpha Institute of Biotechnology Data (March 2020) **Hi-fidelity CCS (Circular Consensus Sequencing) Mode

**20 kilobases (kb) read length (up to 30kb) **Yield = 25 gigabases (gb) per SMRT cell

**or 45 bean genomes

**Long read CLR (Continuous Long Read)

**30 kb read length (up to 60kb)

**Yield = 120 gb per SMRT cell **or 218 bean genomes

CCS IS PREFERRED BECAUSE OF READ ACCURACY!!!!

Newest PacBio System **25 million ZMW wells **15x increased output

This system is NOT based on DNA replication!! **ONT reads the native DNA sequence!!

Oxford Nanopore Technology

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=E9-Rm5AoZGw

Concept

(Founded 2005)

• Disruption of current flow through nanopore is distinctive for each nucleotide

Tools of Nanopore

- Substrate
 - o Electrically resistant membrane
- Complex
 - Protein nanopore embedded in the membrane

Potential applied to membrane

- Current flows only through the aperture of the nanopore
- Molecules that flow through the nanopore cause a characteristic change in the current flow
 - Measuring the disruption allows the molecule to be identified
 Processive enzyme

Nanopore uses a

• Strand sequencing method

Processive enzyme **Enzyme moves along DNA molecule **Polymerase, helicase, nuclease??

- **Trade secret about which enzyme ONT uses
- **Continuing to develop new enzymes
- A processive enzyme is bound to the DNA to be sequenced
 - DNA strand pulled through the nanopore by the enzyme
 - One base at a time
- Read length
 - $\,\circ\,$ 100s of kilobases

Maximum read length observed: **2 Mb = 2,000 kilobases

- Both strands can be read
 - O DNA preparation creates a hairpin on one strand

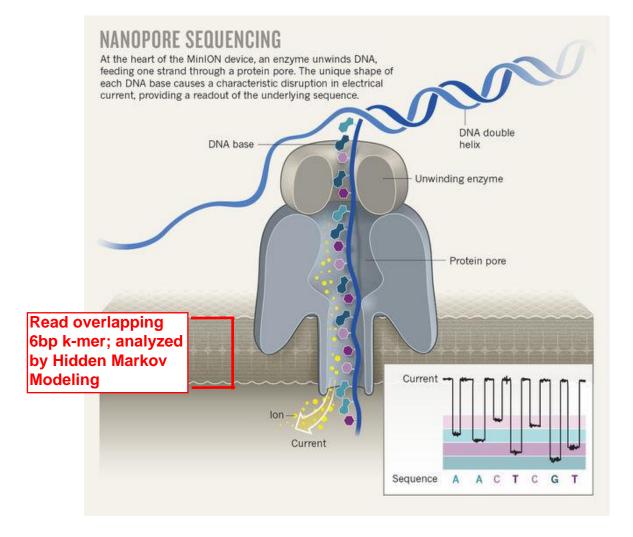
Second strand read after first strand finished

from	
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from \$1,000 \$49,955

\$285,000

	Instrument					
	Flongle	MinION Mk 1B	GridION X5	PromethION (1 flow cell)	PromethION (48 flow cells)	
Run time	1 min - 16	1 min -	1 min -	1 min - 48	1 min - 48 hrs	
	hrs	48 hrs	48 hrs	hrs		
Yield	Up to 3.3	Up to	Up to	Up to 315	10.5 Tb	
(Theoretical)	Gb	40 Gb	200 Gb	Gb		
Current yield	NA	Up to	Up to	Up to 150	NA	
		30Gb	150Gb	Gb		
Number of	Up to 126	Up to	Up to	Up to 3,000	Up to	
channels		512	2,560		144,000	



Flongle



GridION



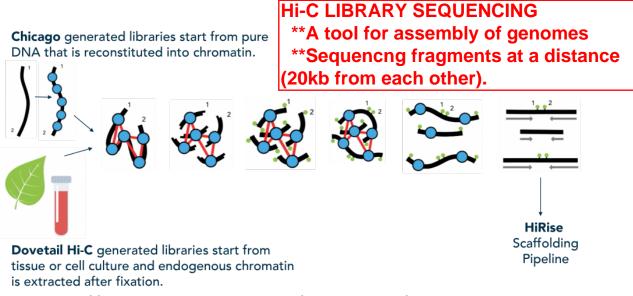
 WinION

PromethION



Proximity Ligation Sequencing Major Tool for Genome Assembly

Dovetail Genomics Sequencing



from: https://dovetailgenomics.com/technology/

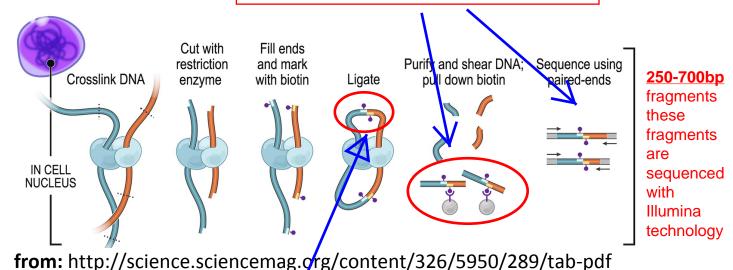
Hi-C linking

- Based on links between natural interactions within a chromosome
 - Regions of the chromosome are associated via chromatin
 - Based on principal that DNA has a 3-D confirmation in the cell
 - 3D configuration occurs because controlling elements that regulate a gene's expression are not always immediately adjacent to coding region of the gene

Chicago Not currently used to aid genome assembly

- An artificial linking procedure
- When used with Hi-C, the Hi-C derived relationships can be confirmed

These sequence reads are 20kb apart. That are used to LINK SCAFFOLDS during assembly.



Hi-C procedure

Two regions far apart now linked

- 1. Crosslink the cells using formaldehyde to stick chromosomes together
- 2. Isolate "crosslinked" DNA bound with chromatin
- 3. Digest DNA with six-cutter restriction enzyme
- 4. Fill ends and add biotin to end
- 5. Ligate ends and pull down molecules with biotin procedure
- 6. Sequence pull down library using Illumina paired-end protocol

Assembly

- Long distance relationships can be used during assembly
- Distances between ends are typically >20Kb
- Data can be used in the final steps of assembly.

Common bean

560 Mb genome

\$10,000 for basic sequence data

General Steps That Apply To ALL Massively Parallel DNA Sequencing Systems

1. Isolate DNA

• Care is needed to ensure the DNA is of uniform high quality

2. Fractionate DNA into appropriate size for specific sequencing system

• Length will vary depending on the read length you will be generating

3. Amplify individual DNA fragments that will be sequenced

• This could be in a reaction emulsion bead (Roche 454) or reaction matrix (Illumina or Pacific Biological Science [PacBio])

4. Load DNA samples onto DNA sequencing matrix

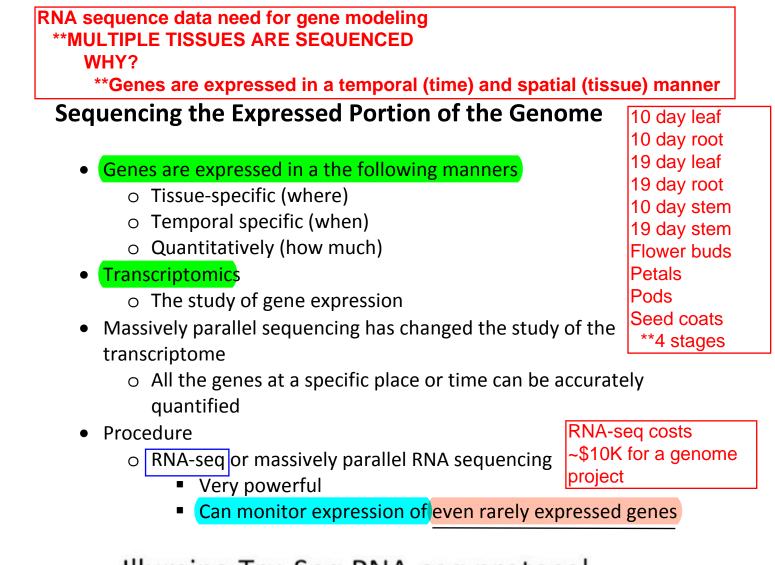
• The matrix can be a solid chip with individual wells (Roche 454, PacBio) or a chip with sequencing oligonucleotides (Illumina)

5. Perform sequencing reactions

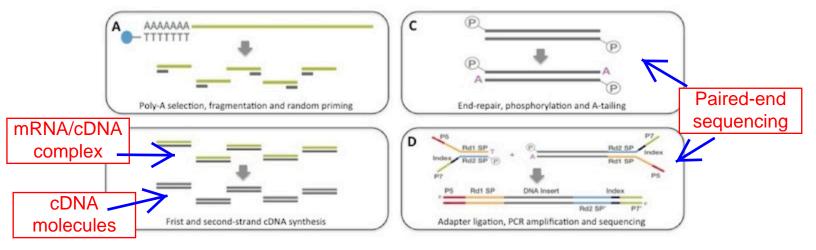
• Varies from system to system

6. Collect DNA sequence data for each read

• Varies from system to system



Illumina Tru-Seq RNA-seq protocol



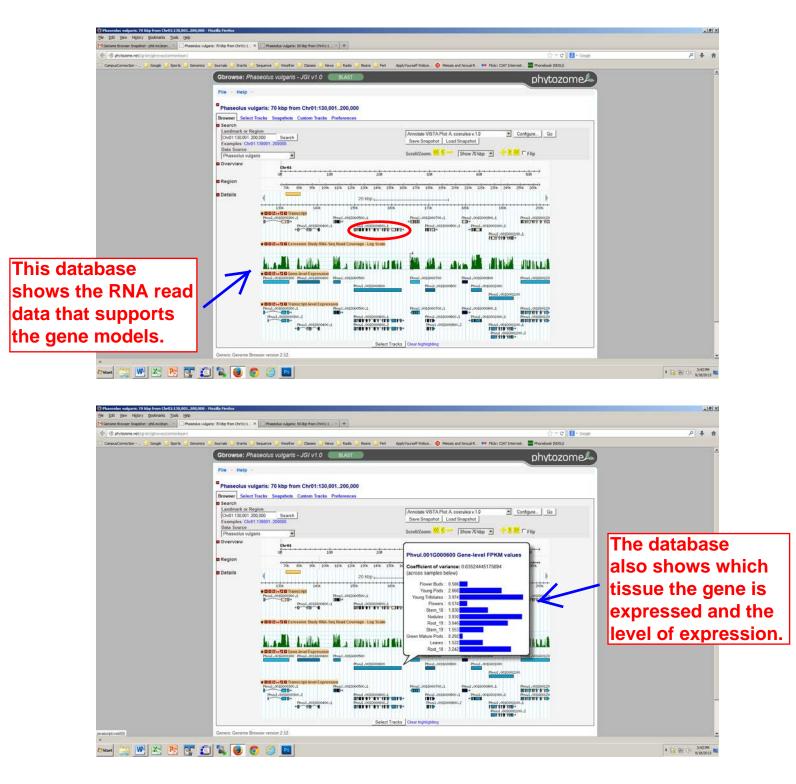
Library prep begins from 100ng-1ug of Total RNA which is poly-A selected (A) with magnetic beads. Double-stranded cDNA (B) is phosphorylated and A-tailed (C) ready for adapter ligation. The library is PCR amplified (D) ready for clustering and sequencing.

RNA-seq procedure

- 1. Isolate RNA from target tissue
- 2. Select mRNA using poly-T primers
 - Based on principle that all mRNA in eukaryotes have a poly-tail
- 3. Perform first and second strand cDNA (copy DNA) synthesis to convert mRNA into cDNA
- 4. Prepare cDNA for sequencing by adding appropriate sequencing adaptors
- 5. Sequence the cDNA pool using a massively parallel technology
- 6. Align reads against a reference genome and quantify

Assembly of mRNA reads into transcripts **RNA-seq data represent expressed mRNAs = genes **Overlapping reads are identified by PERTRAN **Assembled transcripts are used to discover genes during GENE MODELING

Aligning RNA-seq Data to the Reference Sequence



This is the approach that was used for SEQUENCING PLANT GENOMES until ~2017. It required the sequencing of cloned fragments of different sizes. Paired-end reads were collected

Plant Genome Sequencing

Traditional Sanger Sequencing Genome Sequencing Approach

- 1. Create sequencing libraries of different insert sizes
- 2kb

 Bulk of sequencing is performed on these libraries
 10kb

 Used for linking contigs during assembly
 40kb

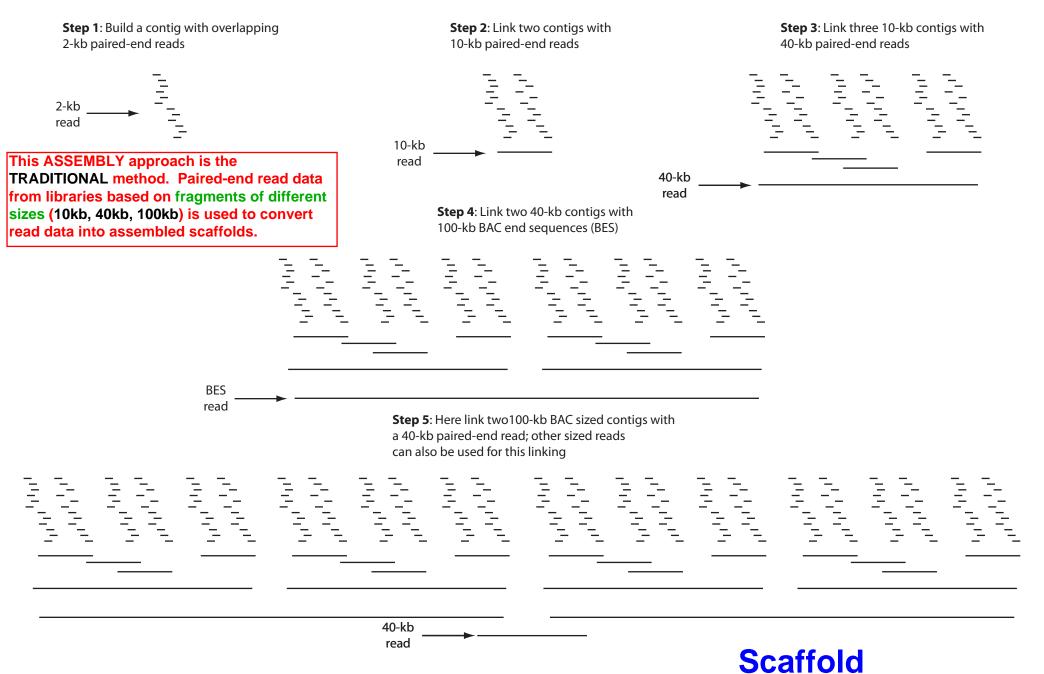
 Used to link larger contigs assembly
 Bacterial artificial chromosomes 100-150 kb

 Used to link ever larger contigs assembly
 - 2. Paired-end sequencing data collected for libraries
 - 3. Contigs created by looking for overlapping reads

4. Contigs assembled based on homology to 10kb, 40kb and BAC sequence data; these large assemblies are called **scaffolds**

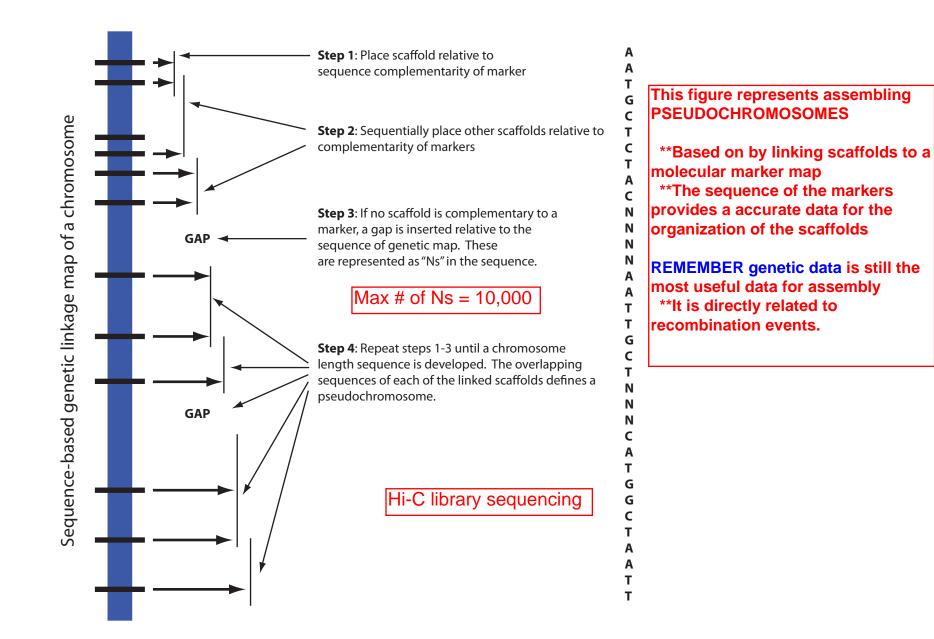
5. Pseudochromosomes assembled based on homology of scaffolds to the markers located on a high-density genetic map

Scaffold Assembly Building a Scaffold Using Paired-end Reads of Different Sized Sequences



Step 6: Continue linking larger blocks of sequences until the block can not be linked with another block. This block is defined as a scaffold.

Genome Assembly Linking Scaffolds to a Dense Genetic Map



How Reference Genome Assemlies are developed today

Modern Long Read PacBio Sequencing Genome Sequencing Approach (~2017-2020)

- 1. Create 20kb insert libraries
- 2. Sequence with PacBio single molecule technology
 - Reads generally 10-15 kb in length

3. Add short read (150bp) paired end data to correct for inherent PacBio errors

- 4. Assembly reads into contigs
 - Contigs MUCH longer than with Sanger sequencing
- 5. Scaffolds developed by long-range scaffolding methods
 - BioNano restriction enzyme mapping
 - Hi-C cross-linked DNA library sequencing

This method was discontinued by the company!!!

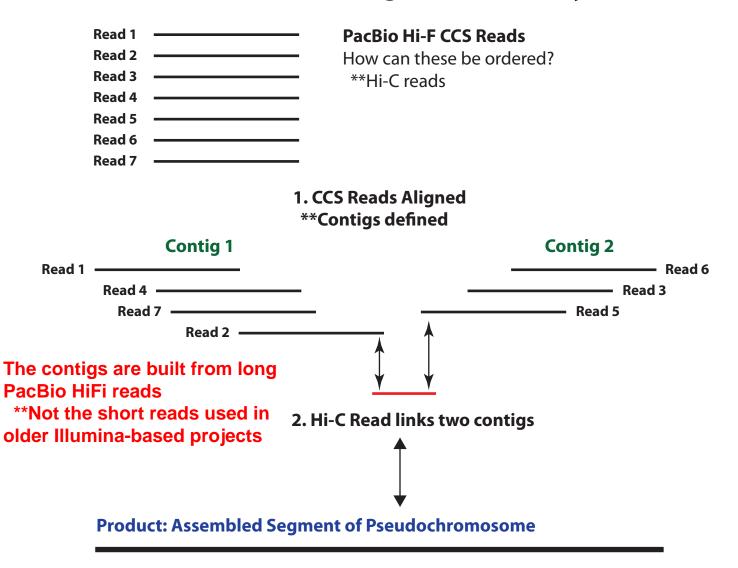
• 10X linked read sequencing

6. Pseudochromosomes assembled based on homology of scaffolds to the markers located on a high-density genetic map

Preferred methods now!!!

Now (2020-current) with HiFi (CCS) mode reads **HiFi (CCS) reads lead to contigs that are much longer **Hi-C data is used to assembly contigs into pseudochromosomes

Chromosome Segment Assembly



N50 and L50: Measures of the Quality of Genomes

Contig

- An aligned group of reads that represent one section of the genome
 - o No missing sequence data

Scaffolds

- Groups of contigs that define a section of the genome
 - o Larger than contigs
 - Can contain gaps (missing sequence) that are filled in with Ns
 - Number of scaffolds is always smaller than the number of contigs

Pseudochromosome

• Group of scaffolds that represent one chromosome of the species

N50

- The number of contigs (or scaffolds) whose collective distance equals 50% of the genome length
 - o This is a **NUMBER**

The SMALLER the number the BETTER the genome.

L50

- The length of the smallest contig (or scaffolds), of the collection of the contigs (or scaffolds)that comprise the set of N50 contigs (or scaffolds)
 - This is a LENGTH

The LARGER the number the BETTER the genome.

IMPORTANT NOTE

Today, the L50 length is almost always reported as the N50

Graphic Illustration of N50/L50 Concept

N50 and L50 Concept

Genome Size = 1 Gigabases 50% Length = 500 Megabases Assembly #2 **3 contigs = 500 Mb; **Shortest contig is 1.5 Mb

Genome assembly #1 N50 = 10 L50 = 100 kb Genome assembly #2 N50 =3 L50 =1.5 megabases

When comparing genome assemblies, the more complete genome ssembly has for Contig and Scaffold statistics

N50 a lower number

L50 a longer number

Why???

- 1. The longer the contigs/scaffolds, the fewer gaps in the assembly!!!
- 2. The longer the contigs/scaffolds, the fewer are needed to account for 50% of the genome

Assemly #1 **10 contigs = 500 Mb; **shortest contig is 100 kb

Measuring the Completeness of A Genome Assembly Based on Gene Content

BUSCO: A measure of the completeness of the genome based on single copy orthologs

BUSCO software

- Benchmarking Universal Single-Copy Orthologs
 - Evolutionary based approach
 - What percentage of your single copy genes found in your genome annotation are found in a database set of genes (n=~400) found in other species in your high-order biological taxa
- Uses a **subset (n~400)** of nearly universal single copy orthologs for each database
 - Highly represented in major biological taxa for comparative purposes
- Multiple databases (Busco v.5.7) are available for each major biological lineage
 - Plants (n=9)
 - e.g. Eudicots, Fabales, Brassicales, Liliopsida, Poales,
 - Vertebrates (n=15)
 - Arthropods (m=8)
 - o Fungi (n=24)
 - Bacteria (n=83)
 - Viruses (n=27)
- Data set is based Orthodb database release 10
 - \circ Orthodb
 - Database of orthologous protein-coding genes
 - Data set specific to each major biological taxa

What is an Ortholog?

- Genes in multiple species that are evolutionarily related by descent
 - A gene found throughout a **biological lineage**
- Example for plants:
 - Genes related to photosynthesis

What is a Paralog

- Genes within a species that are evolutionarily related by duplication
 - A gene found only in that species
- Example for a plant species:
 - o Disease resistance genes

Evolution of Genome Sequencing

Effect of Evolving Sequencing Technologies

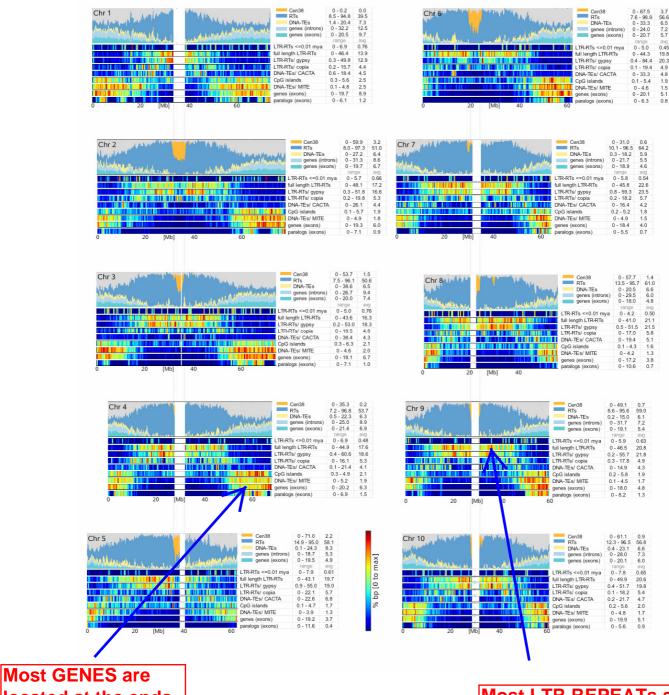
Common Bean Genome Examples

Genotype, version, release	G19833 v1	G19833 v2	UI 111 v1	Labor Ovalle	5-593 v1
date	(2014)	(2015)	(2019)	v1 (2020)	(2022)
		PacBio	PacBio	PacBio	PacBio
Primary Technology	Roche 454	RSII	Sequel II	Sequel II CCS	Sequel II CLR
Average read length	-	-	8.5 kb	19.6 kb	20.2 kb
Coverage	19.2X	83.2X	141.5X	51.2X	135.0X
Main genome scaffold					
total	708	478	58	15	13
Main genome contig total	41,391	1,044	167	36	27
Main genome scaffold					
sequence total	521.1 Mb	537.2 Mb	554.9 Mb	571.9 Mb	572.2 Mb
Main genome contig	472.5 Mb	531.6 Mb	553.8 Mb	571.7 Mb	572.1 Mb
sequence total	(9,3% gap)	(1.1% gap)	(0.2% gap)	(0.0 % gap)	(0.0 % gap)
Main genome scaffold					
N50/L50	5/50.4 Mb	5/49.7 Mb	5/51.0 Mb	5/55.5 Mb	5/54.8 Mb
Main genome contig	3,273/39.5				
N50/L50	kb	73/1.9 Mb	28/8.5 Mb	9/20.5 Mb	7/33.5 Mb
# Protein coding genes	27,197	27,433	27,385	27,218	27,065

Remember:

Contig N50 (again formerly L50) is the critical statistic that measure assembly completeness

DISTRIBUTION of GENES and REPEATS in Sorghum genome. **Typical of most eukaryotic genomes



located at the ends of chromosomes Most LTR REPEATs are located in the heterochromatic region of chromosomes

Reference: Paterson et al (2009) Nature 457(7229):551

Genome Resequencing

Goal

• Discover variation in a population

How?

- Resequence many individuals
- 10x 40x, depending on the goal
- Types of variants Also called SNVs
 - SNPs = single nucleotide variants
 - Single nucleotide differences among a population
 - Indels
 - Typically short in length
 - \circ 1 to 50 nt
 - Copy Number Variants (CNVs)
 - No clear definition
 - Depends on the research group
 - Often considered >1000 nt
 - Can be just 50 nt