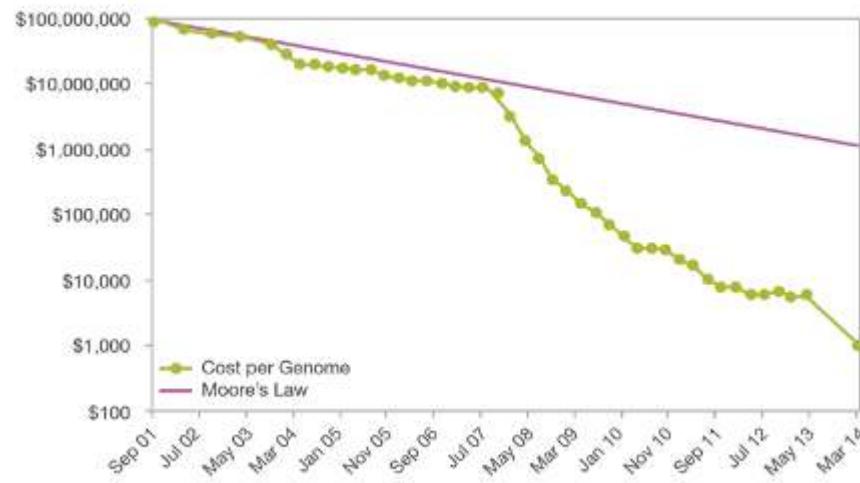


Next Generation Sequencing – NGS Genome Assembly



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Price of Genome Sequencing



Sanger Sequencing

>100,000,000 \$ / Human Genome



Illumina HiSeq X Ten

1,000 \$ / Human Genome



~14 years

NGS sequencers

Illumina



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Ion Torrent



Oxford Nanopore



Roche 454 FLX
No more support



Pacific Biosciences



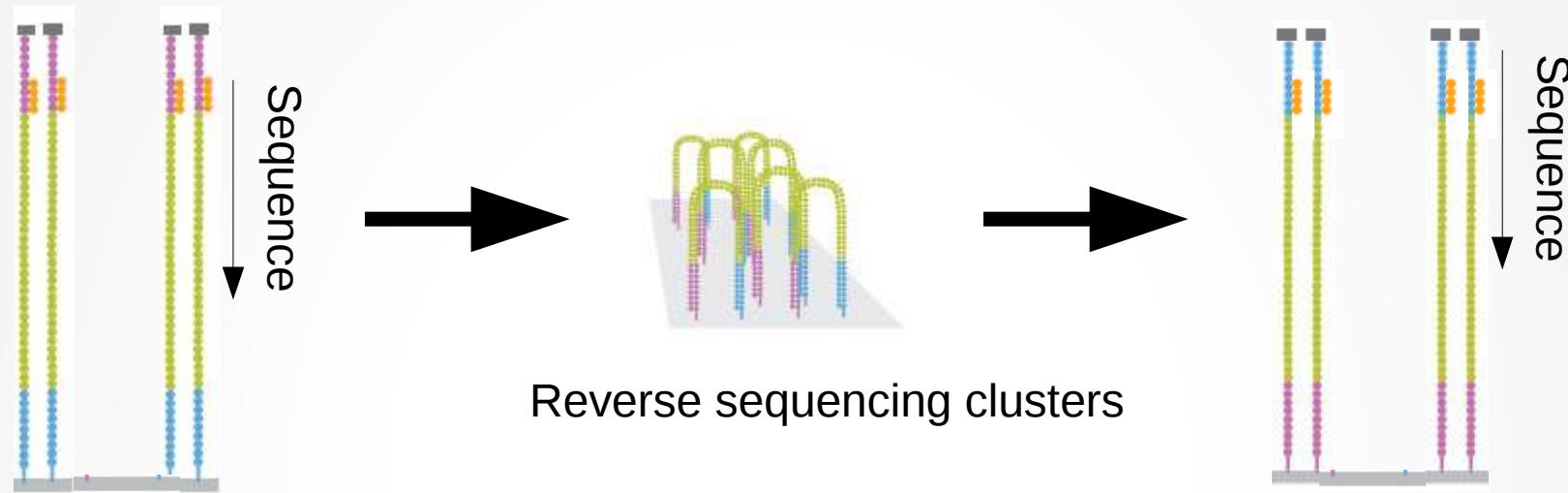
NGS sequencer comparison

	<i>Sanger</i>	<i>454</i>	<i>Ion Torrent</i>	<i>Illumina</i>	<i>PacBio</i>
Read length	1000 bp	max. 700 bp	200 bp	max. 300 bp	max. 1500 bp
Accuracy	100,00%	98,00%	98,00%	99,90%	87-99%
Run time	1(h)	7 (h)	2 (h)	1-10 (days)	2 (h)
Sequenced reads	few	1 million	max. 5 million	3 billion	45 thousand
Price (sequencer)	95k USD	500k USD	80k USD	690k USD	695k USD
Sequencing price	4 USD	7000 USD	350 USD	6000 USD	100 USD
Mb price	2400 USD	10 USD	1 USD	0,07-0,5 USD	2 USD
Generated data	1,9-84 Kb	10-100 Mb	1 Gb	600 Gb	

NGS applications

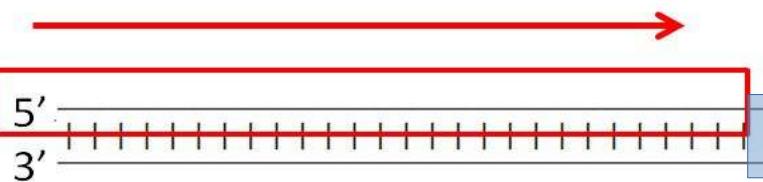
			Sequencing method		
	Category	Example	Single-end	Paired-end	Mate-pair
Genome sequencing	<i>de novo</i>	Create draft genome	(x)	x	x
	Resequencing	Mutation and / or structural variation	(x)	x	
	Metagenomic sequencing	Microbiome identification	x	x	
Targeted sequencing	Exome sequencing	Sequence DNA of all coding genes	x	x	
	Targeted sequencing	Sequence DNA of selected genes	x	x	
	RNA-seq / microRNA-seq	Identify expression levels	x	x	
	Barcode sequencing	Sequence multiple patients in one run	x	x	
	ChIP-Seq / Faire-seq	Sequence open chromatin regions	x	x	

Sequencing – Paired-end



Forward orientation

READ 1



Read length: $2 \times (\text{Read length}) + \text{GAP}$

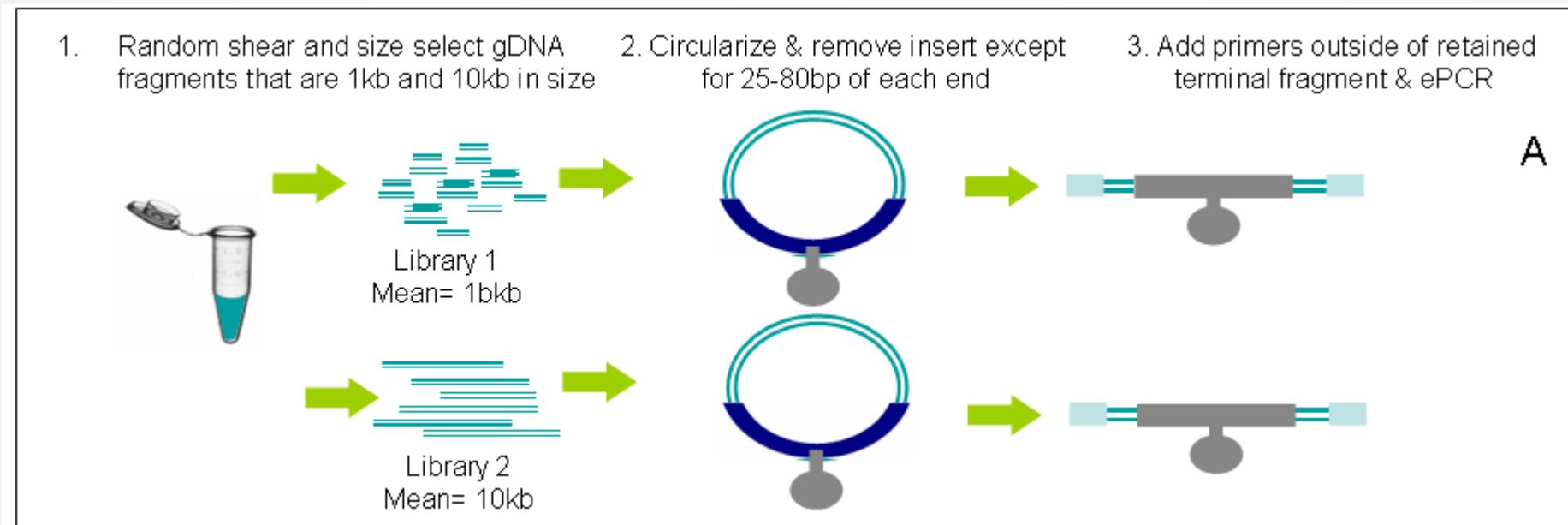
Reverse orientation

READ 2



Gap size: usually < 700 bp

Mate-pair sequencing



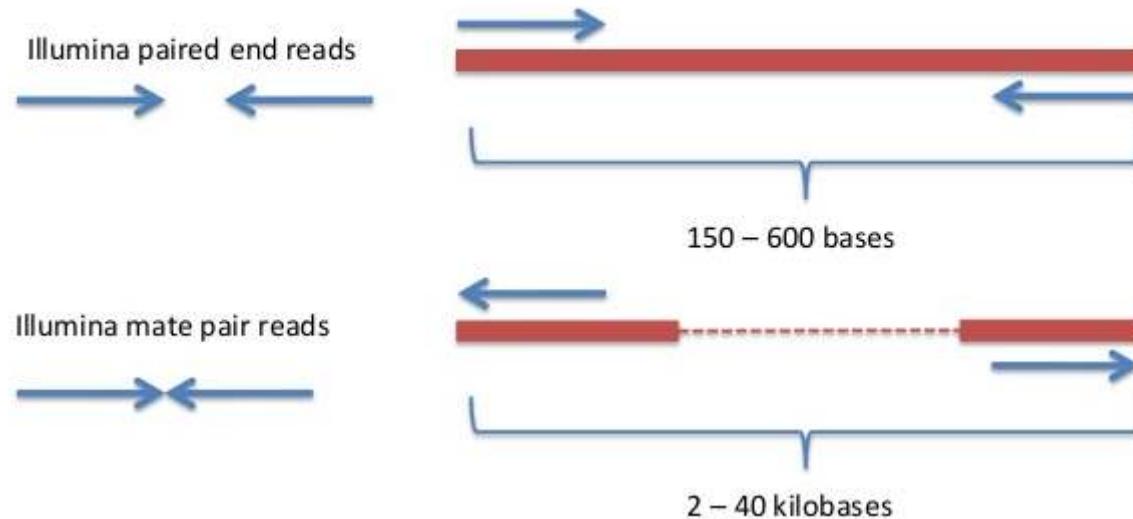
Orientation: First read is reverse, second read is forward (opposite to paired-end)

Read length: **2 x (Read length) + GAP**

Gap size: usually ~1,000 - 10,000

Paired-end vs. mate pair

Mate pair splitting and orientation



Denovo Genome Assembly



Assembly – sequencing requirements

Minimum (only small genomes)

- Single end / Paired end library

Acceptable (small and large genomes)

- Paired end library
- Mate pair library

Optimal (mainly large genomes)

- Paired end library (1 or more)
- Mate pair library (1 or more)
- Long read library (PacBio sequencer)

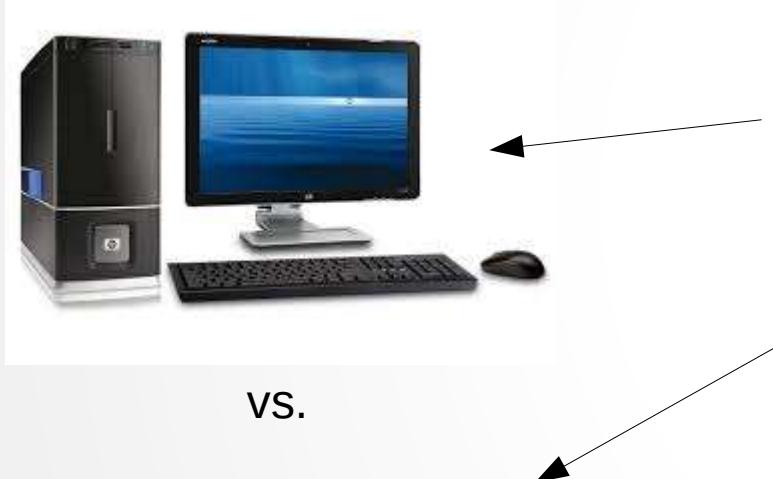
IMPORTANT: Since we (bioinformatics people) do the assembly, we should **advise** the type of library needed. The people from the wetlabs don't always know the minimum requirements

→ Eg: Allpaths-LG: short insert sized paired-end library where the pairs overlap is **mandatory**

Genome Assembly

„What computer resources do I have? What genome will I assemble?”

Mammalian genome assembly: usually not CPU limited, but RAM limited

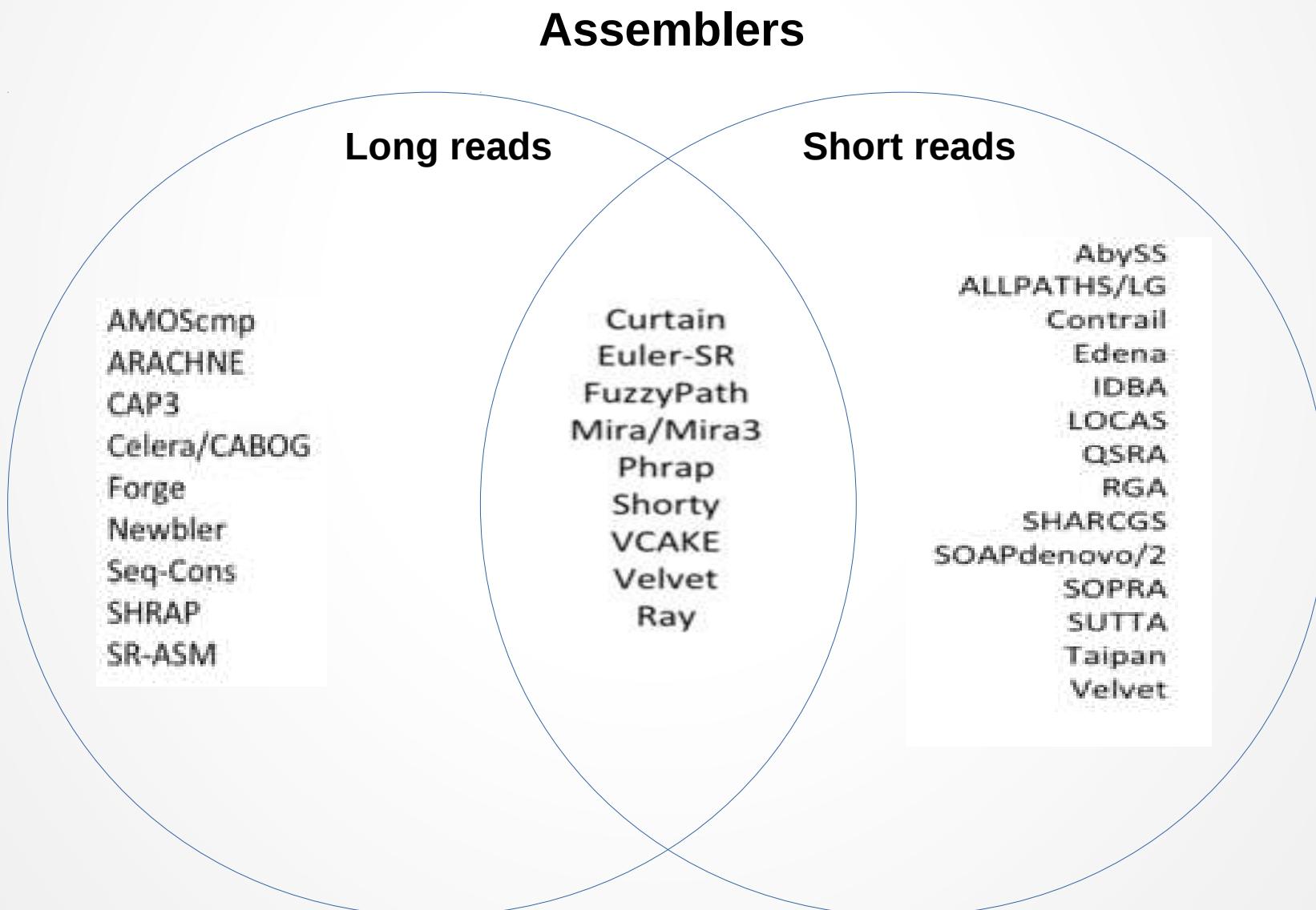


	Memory requirement	Assembly rank
minia	~2 Gb	3
SOAPdenovo	124 Gb	2
AllPaths-LG	~1 Tb	1

Microorganism genome assembly

	Memory requirement
Velvet	>8Gb
SPAdes	>8 Gb

Genome Assembly - „How long are my reads?”



What assembler should I use?

- <http://gage.cbcu.umd.edu/>
 - GAGE is an evaluation of the very latest large-scale genome assembly algorithms.
 - They compared assemblers, have the „recipe” (or commands) and datasets used for assembly.



GAGE

Recipe for Allpaths-LG

Staphylococcus aureus:

```
PrepareAllPathsInputs.pl DATA_DIR=$PWD PLOIDY=1
RunAllPaths3G PRE=. REFERENCE_NAME=. DATA_SUBDIR=. RUN=allpaths SUBDIR=run
```

Rhodobacter sphaeroides:

```
PrepareAllPathsInputs.pl DATA_DIR=$PWD PLOIDY=1
RunAllPaths3G PRE=. REFERENCE_NAME=. DATA_SUBDIR=. RUN=allpaths SUBDIR=run
```

Human Chromosome 14:

```
PrepareAllPathsInputs.pl DATA_DIR=$PWD PLOIDY=2
RunAllPaths3G PRE=. REFERENCE_NAME=. DATA_SUBDIR=. RUN=allpaths SUBDIR=run
```



Genome Assembly Gold-Standard Evaluations

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Assembly results of the human chromosome 14

3. Assemblies of Human chromosome 14 (ungapped size 88,289,540).

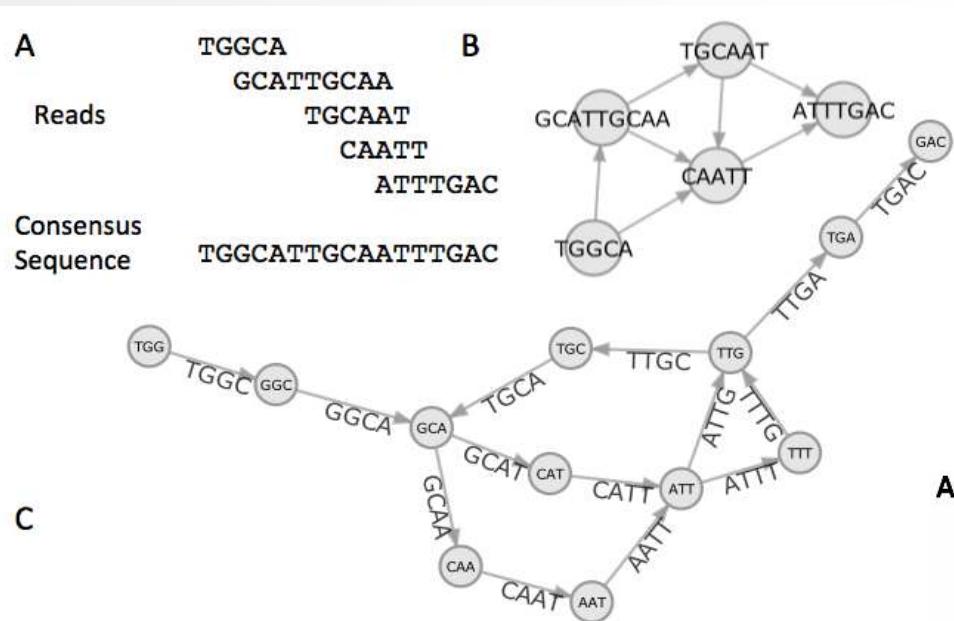
Assembler	Contigs				Scaffolds			
	Num	N50 (kb)	Errors	N50 corr. (kb)	Num	N50 (kb)	Errors	N50 corr. (kb)
ABySS	51,924	2.0	704	2.0	51,301	2.1	9	2
Allpaths-LG	4,529	36.5	2,760	21.0	225	81,647	45	4,702
Bambus2	13,592	5.9	11,943	4.3	1,792	324	143	161
CABOG	3,361	45.3	3,181	23.7	479	393	597	26
MSR-CA	30,103	4.9	5,550	4.3	1,425	893	1068	94
SGA	56,939	2.7	981	2.7	30,975	83	19	79
SOAPdenovo	22,689	14.7	6,424	7.4	13,502	455	268	214
Velvet	45,564	2.3	4,910	2.1	3,565	1,190	9156	27

Assembly algorithm – Greedy algorithm

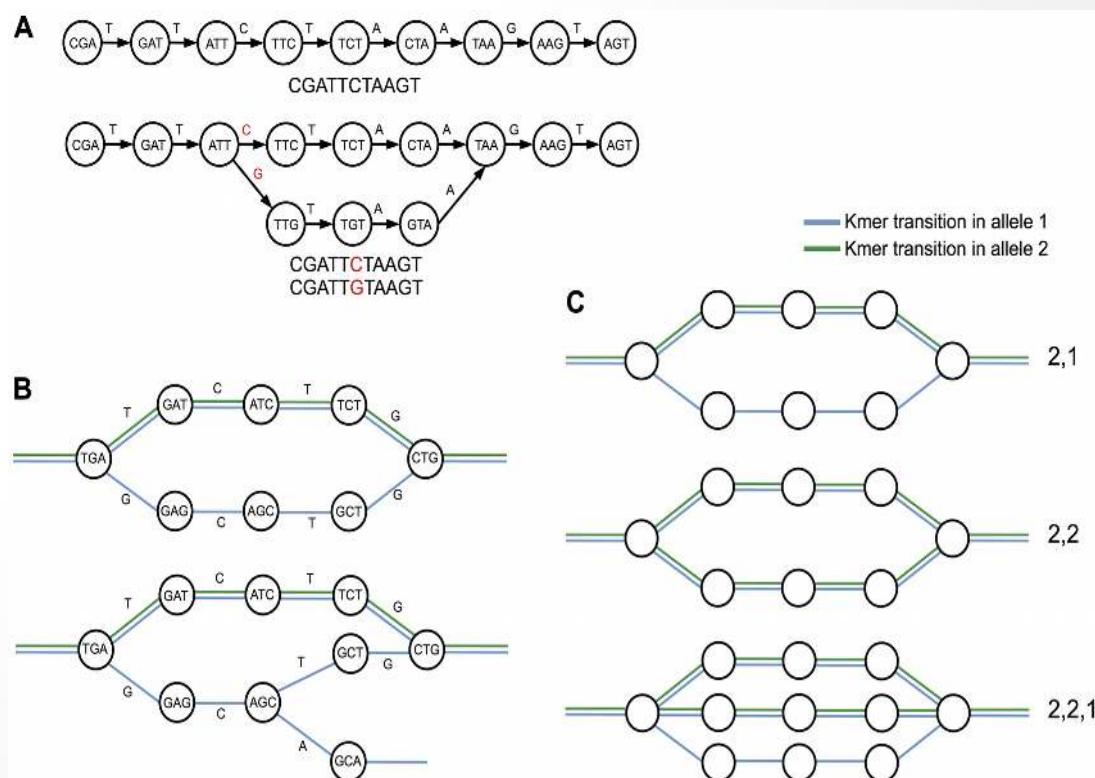
Given a set of sequence fragments the object is to find the shortest common supersequence.

1. Calculate pairwise alignments of all fragments.
2. Choose two fragments with the largest overlap.
3. Merge chosen fragments.
4. Repeat step 2 and 3 until only one fragment is left.
5. The result is a suboptimal solution to the problem.

Assembly algorithm – de Brujin Graph



Heterozygous positions



Genome assembly steps

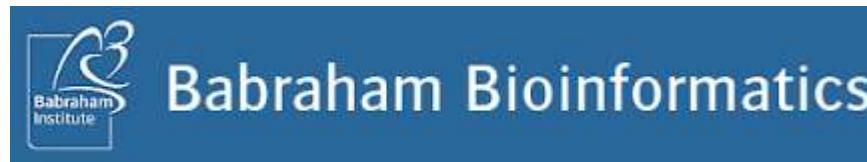
- Check read **quality**
 - Question: Was there any problem with my sample preparation or sequencing?
 - Tool: FastX toolkit
- **Trim** bad reads or read ends
 - eg. Trimmomatic
- Re-check read **quality**
 - Question: Do my reads have better quality? Did the trimming fix my problem (if there were any)?
- Genome assembly, usually with multiple parameters (eg. Different k-mers, change a bit the insert sizes) and / or multiple assemblers

Results: Draft genome!

Quality Control

- How good are my reads?

FastQC



Good sequencing reads

http://www.bioinformatics.babraham.ac.uk/projects/fastqc/good_sequence_short_fastqc.html#M0

Bad sequencing reads

http://www.bioinformatics.babraham.ac.uk/projects/fastqc/bad_sequence_fastqc.html#M0

Trimming reads

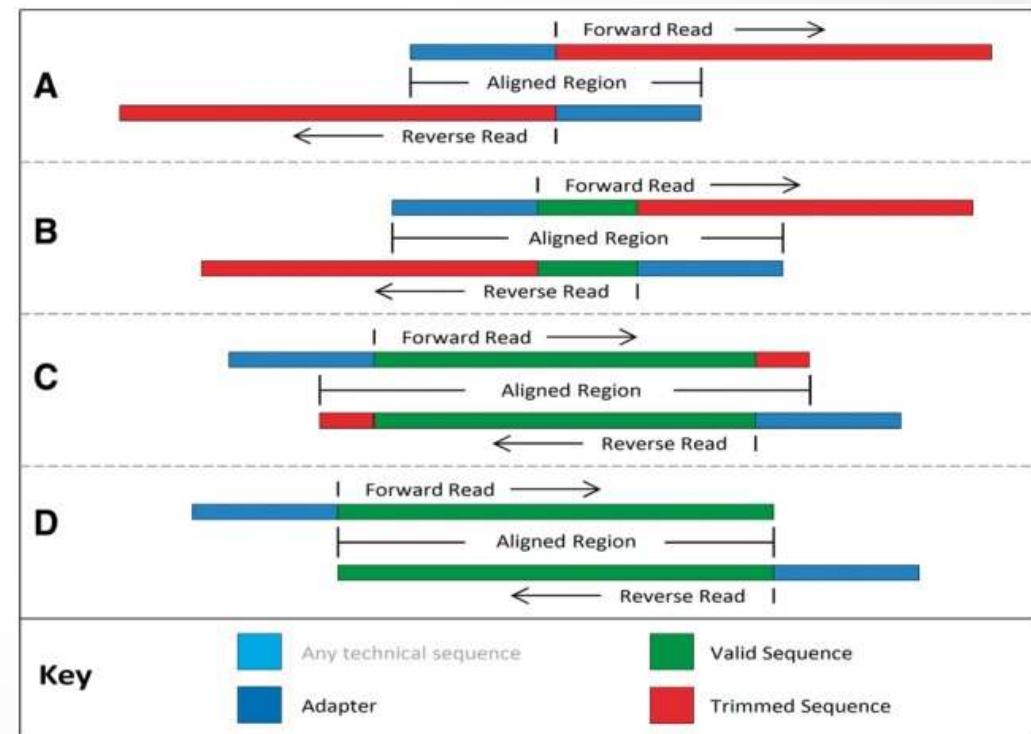
- Remove bad quality reads
- Trimm bad read ends (beginning, end)

Trimmomatic

<http://www.usadellab.org/cms/?page=trimmomatic>

A few options:

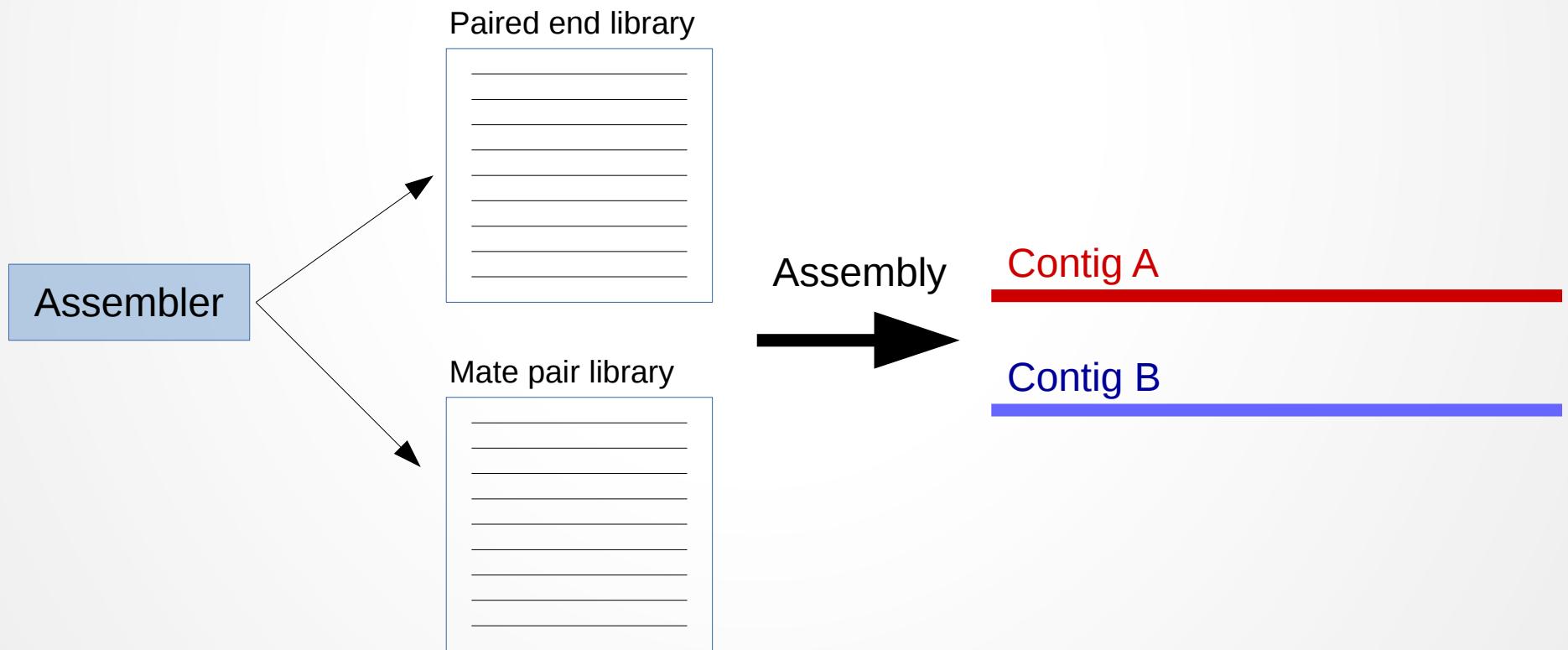
- 1) Remove adapters
- 2) Remove leading low quality or N bases (below quality 3)
- 3) Remove trailing low quality or N bases (below quality 3)
- 4) Scan the read with a 4-base wide sliding window, cutting when the average quality per base drops below 15
- 5) Drop reads below the 36 bases long (MINLEN:36)



Assembly Contigs vs. Scaffolds

A **contig** (from contiguous) is a set of overlapping DNA segments that together represent a consensus region of DNA.

Contigs are the result of the „primary” assembly.



Assembly Contigs vs. Scaffolds

Scaffolds consist of overlapping contigs separated by gaps of known length.

Mate pair library



Mate pair insert size: 2000 bases

Mate pair reads align to the edge of the contigs

Contig A

Contig B

Scaffold1

ACGTNNNNNNNNNNNNNNNTGAA

End of contig 1

Beginning of contig 2

Assembly

Contigs vs. Scaffolds (Example)

End of contig 1

Beginning of contig 2

Assembly quality evaluation

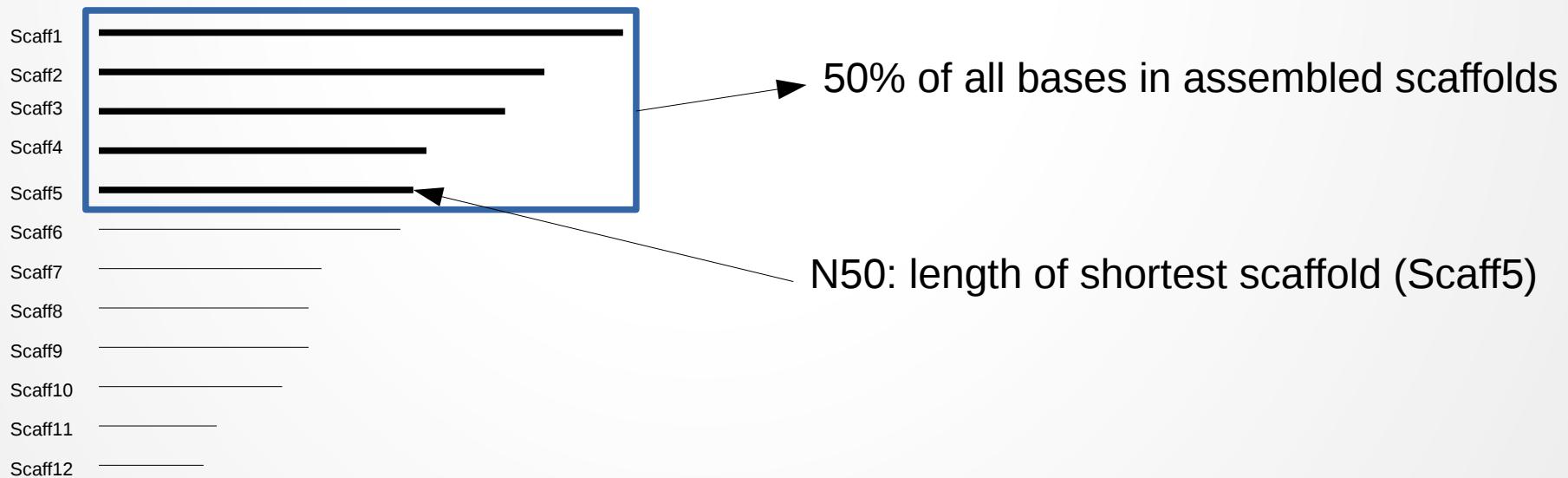
- How can we tell, if we have a good assembly?
 - Assembled genome length?
 - No. of contigs and or scaffolds?
 - Predicted genes in genome?
 - **Length of contigs/Scaffolds??**

Assembly evaluation

N50 value

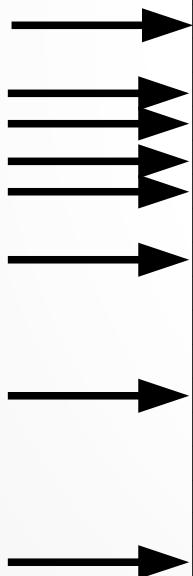
- N50: Given a set of sequences of varying lengths, the **N50** length is defined as the length N for which 50% of all bases in the sequences are in a sequence of length $L < N$.

Assembled scaffolds



Assembly quality evaluation - Quast

- Quast: Quality Assessment Tool for Genome Assemblies



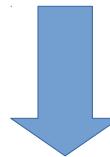
Assembly	SOAPdenovo	Allpaths-Ig	minia
# contigs (>= 0 bp)	1825968	12766	2652684
# contigs (>= 1000 bp)	115065	12477	101164
Total length (>= 0 bp)	1422762994	939385245	979673168
Total length (>= 1000 bp)	1104282542	939106079	630067803
# contigs	199019	12766	201002
Largest contig	953317	5453839	163814
Total length	1162594395	939385245	698425129
GC (%)	38.37	38.23	37.99
N50	49277	600219	10176
N75	6657	191375	3203
L50	5215	388	17287
L75	21312	1087	46128
# N's per 100 kbp	28709.12	26954.32	19473.97
# predicted genes (unique)	155876	96820	117608
# predicted genes (>= 0 bp)	157661	96943	118931
# predicted genes (>= 300 bp)	71251	73645	43897
# predicted genes (>= 1500 bp)	20441	27712	14325
# predicted genes (>= 3000 bp)	9045	13131	6258

Genome Assembly: Important Questions

- What genome do I have to assemble?
- What sequencing libraries do I have?
- What assembler should I use?
- Do I have the correct libraries for my assembler?
- Did the reads / libraries pass quality control? (FastX-toolkit)
- Is my assembly good? (Quast)
- Should I use another assembler?
- How can I validate my assembly?
 - eg. Do I have a Sanger sequenced marker database?
 - eg. Do I have RNA-seq / Exome-Seq data?

Our job today

- Patient with helicobacter pylori infection
 - Symptoms: abdominal pain, nausea and vomiting, fatigue...
- Biopsy → sample isolation and preparation



NGS sequencing

(Illumina paired-end and Pac Bio long reads)

Bioinformatics analysis

Many reads did not map to *H. pylori* genome → ***De novo*** genome assembly

Two different assemblers: SPAdes and Velvet