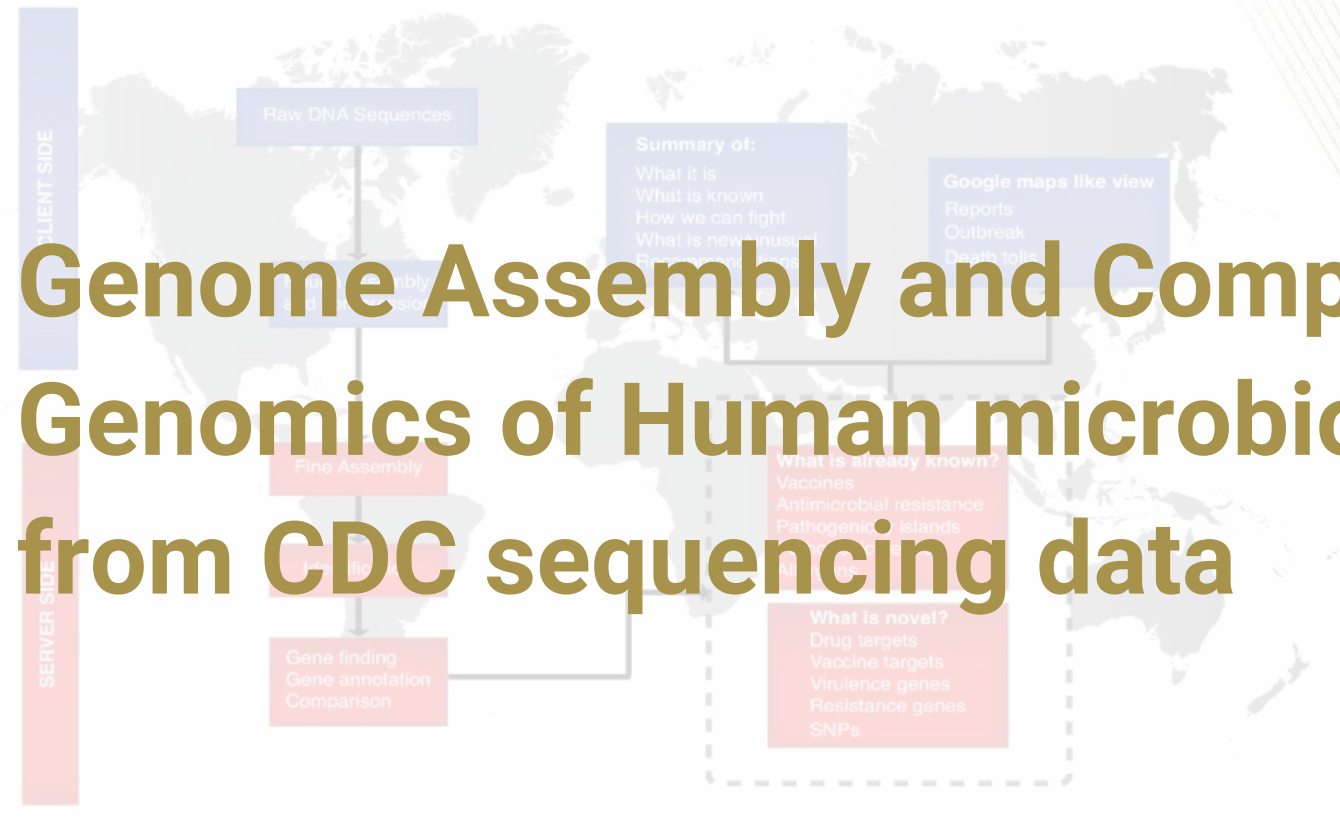


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Genome Assembly Results

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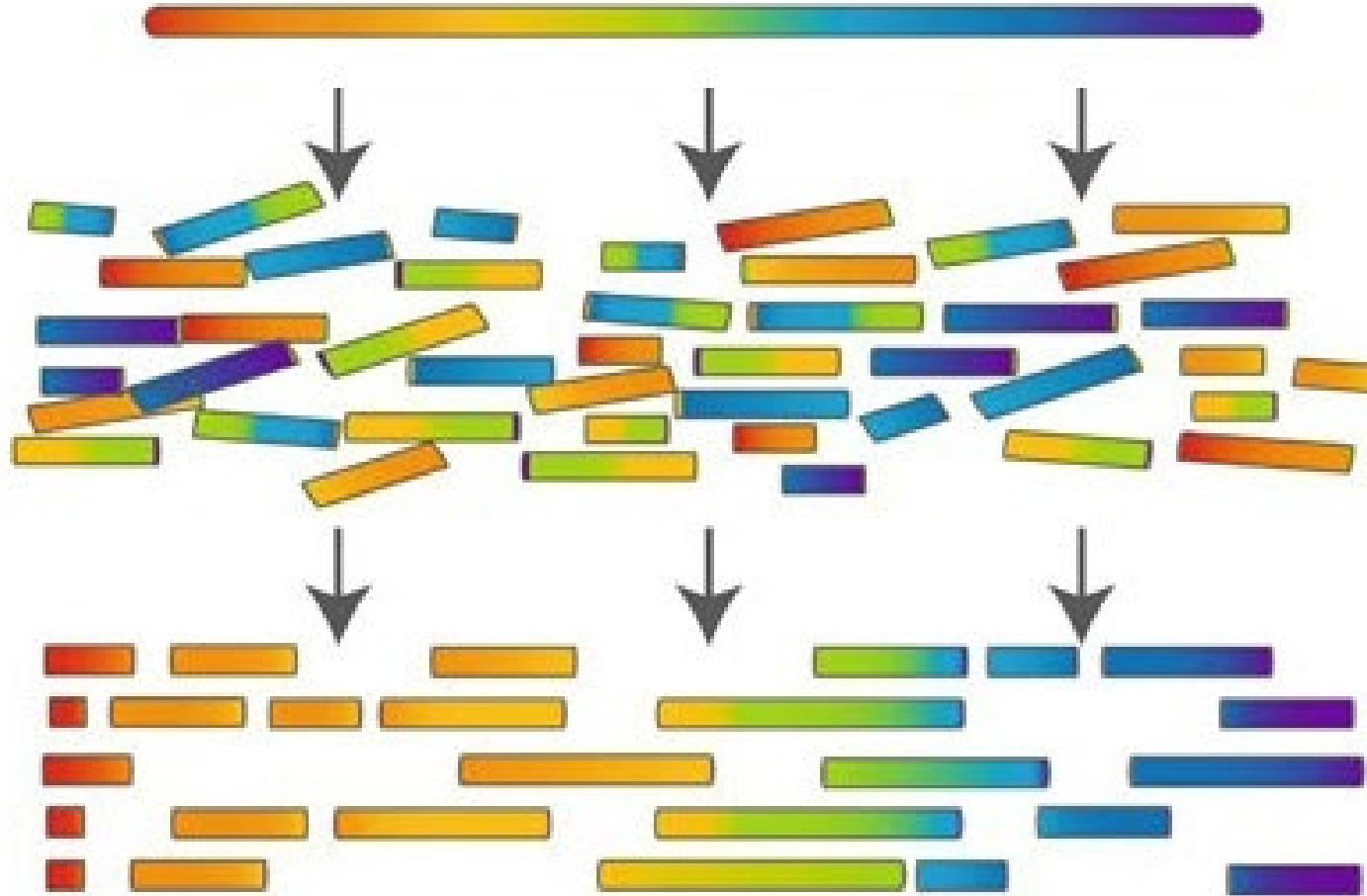
What is genome assembly?

original sequence

reads
(output of
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alignment

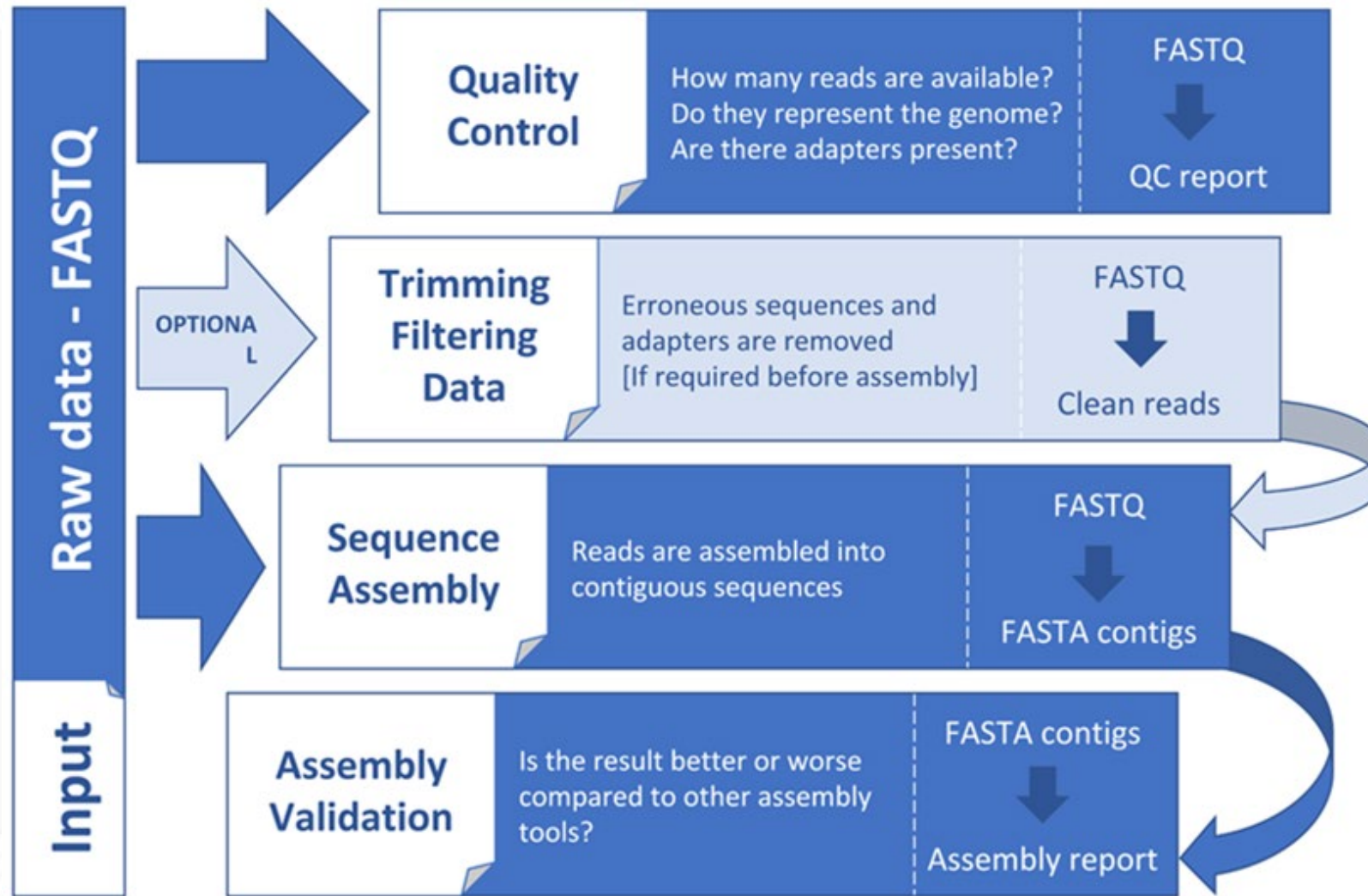
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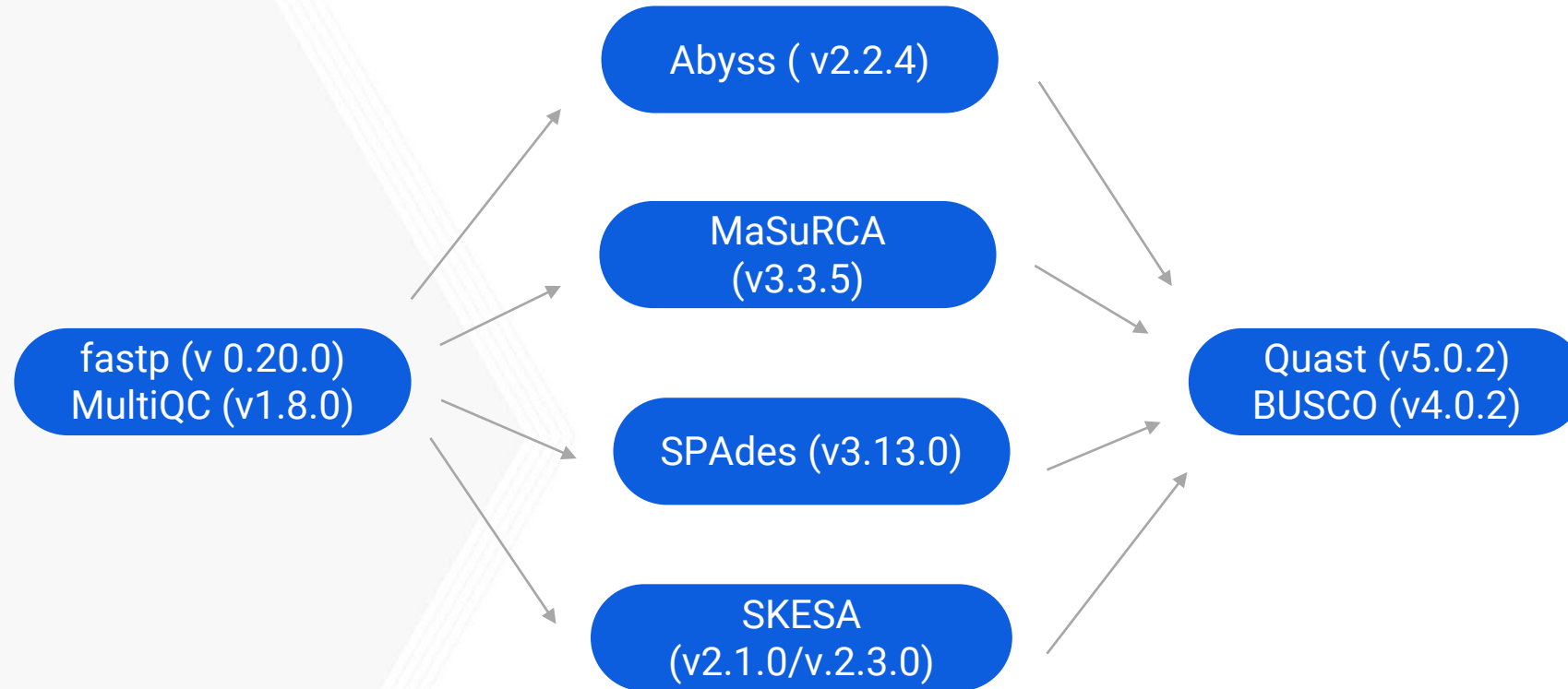
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Adapted from: Commins, Jennifer et al. "Computational biology methods and their application to the comparative genomics of endocellular symbiotic bacteria of insects." *Biological Procedures* vol. 11 52-78. 11 Mar. 2009.

Steps of Genome Assembly



Genome Assembly Tools Bench Marking Plan



fastq

Quality control and trimming for reads

Feb 9th

Quast and BUSCO

Quality control for assembled reads

Feb 17th

Feb 2nd

Assembly

Test out 4 tools and complete assembly

Feb 12th

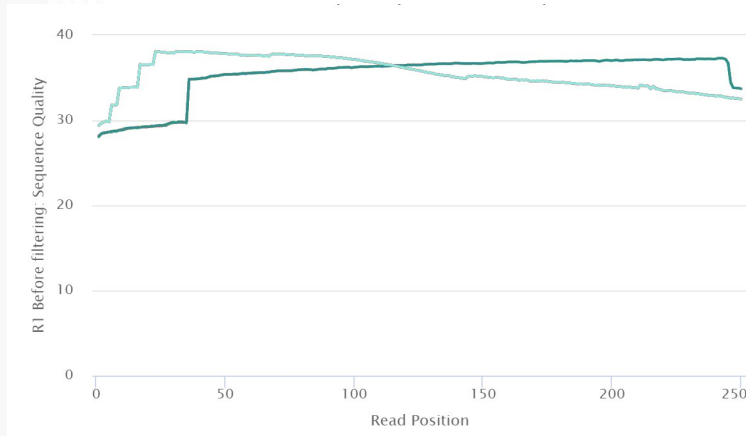
2nd presentation preparation

Finish slides and update the results

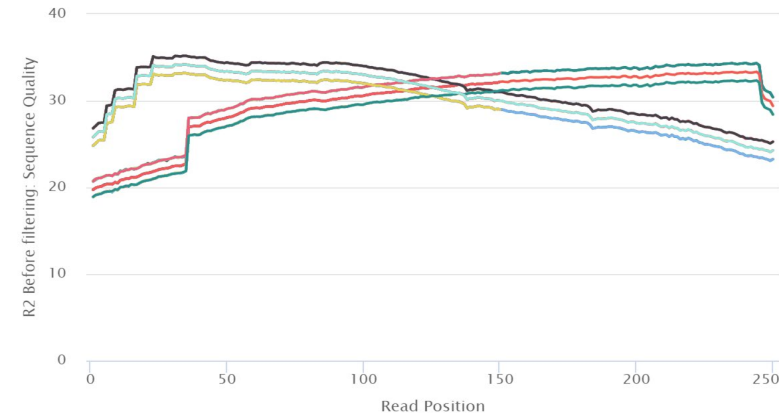
fastp: Pre and post trimming Read Quality

Pre-Trimming

Read 1: Mean Quality Scores

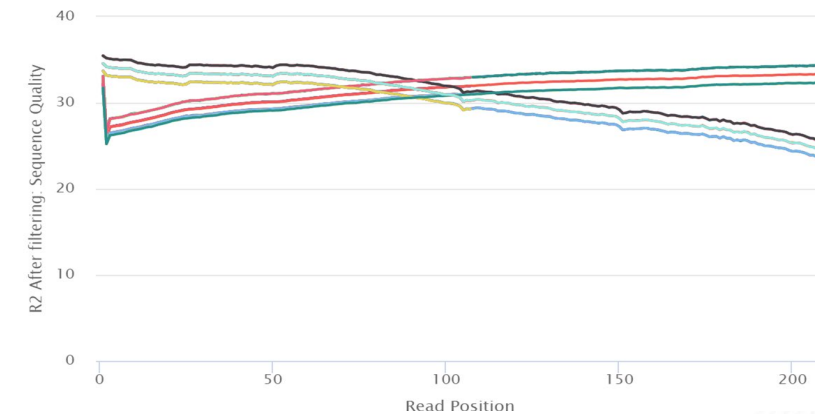
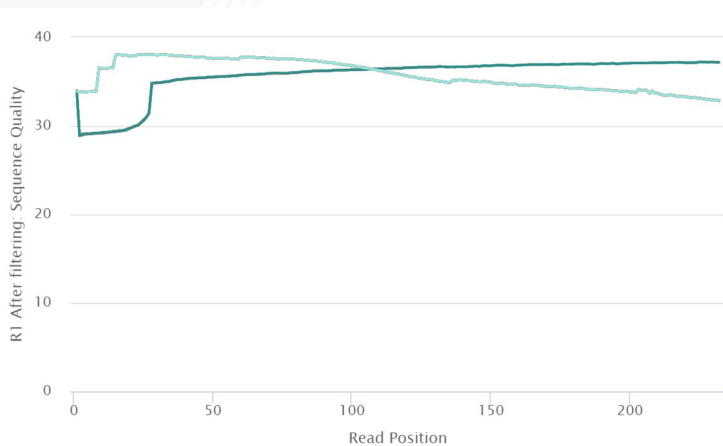


Read 2: Mean Quality Scores

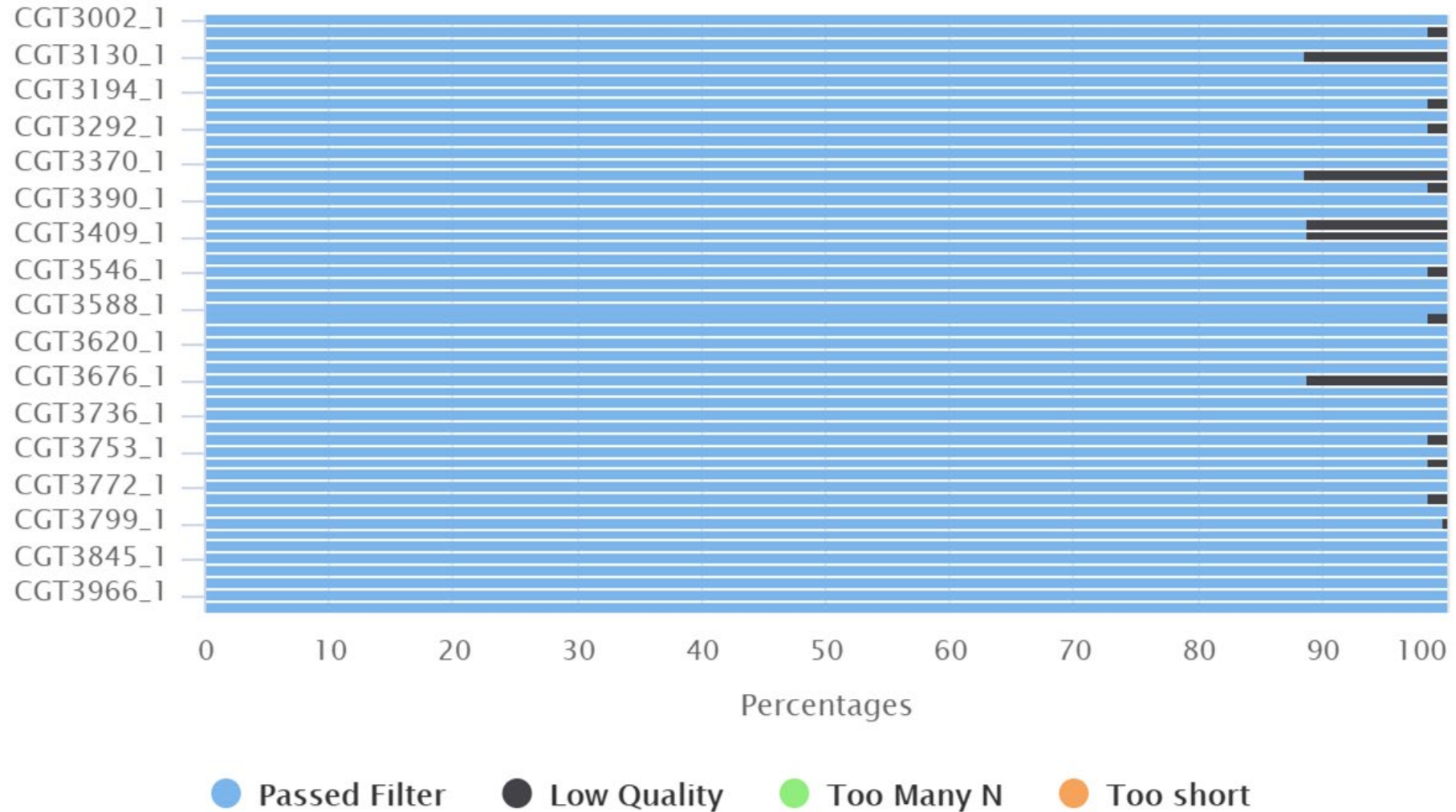


Trimming parameters: `-f 5 -F 30 -t 10 -e 28 -c -5 3 -M 27`

Post-Trimming



Percent of Reads Trimmmed



Created with MultiQC

Assemblers Benchmarked

MaSuRCA

SKESA

SPAdes

Abyss

MaSuRCA

Version:

MaSuRCA v3.3.5

Properties:

- runs on untrimmed reads
- adapted for a mixture of long and short reads, and tolerates high sequencing error
- Pipeline
 - Jellyfish kmer counter automatically selects optimal k-mer size for each sample
 - CABOG Assembler uses “super-reads”

MaSuRCA

Parameters:

- GRAPH_KMER_SIZE = auto
- USE_LINKING_MATES = 1
- CA_PARAMETERS = cgwErrorRate=0.25
(bacteria)

Optimization:

- for each sample tested, MaSuRCA selected a k-mer size of 99

```
PARAMETERS
USE_LINKING_MATES = 1
NUM_THREADS = 16
JF_SIZE = 200000000
USE_GRID=0
GRID_ENGINE=SGE
GRID_QUEUE=all.q
GRID_BATCH_SIZE=300000000
LHE_COVERAGE=25
MEGA_READS_ONE_PASS=0
CA_PARAMETERS = cgwErrorRate=0.25
KMER_COUNT_THRESHOLD = 1
CLOSE_GAPS=1
END
```

Assemblers Benchmarked

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SPAdes

Version:

SPAdes v3.13.0

Command:

```
subprocess.call("spades.py --careful -1 " + f1 +" -2 "+f2+ " -o "+output, shell = True)
```

Parameters:

--careful: Tries to reduce the number of mismatches and short indels, recommended only for assembly of small genomes.

-k: kmer size, input a series of numbers, auto-detection

Unicycler & SPAdes

- An assembly pipeline for bacterial genomes
- Can be used as a SPAdes optimiser
- Came out in 2017, 400+ citations

Version:

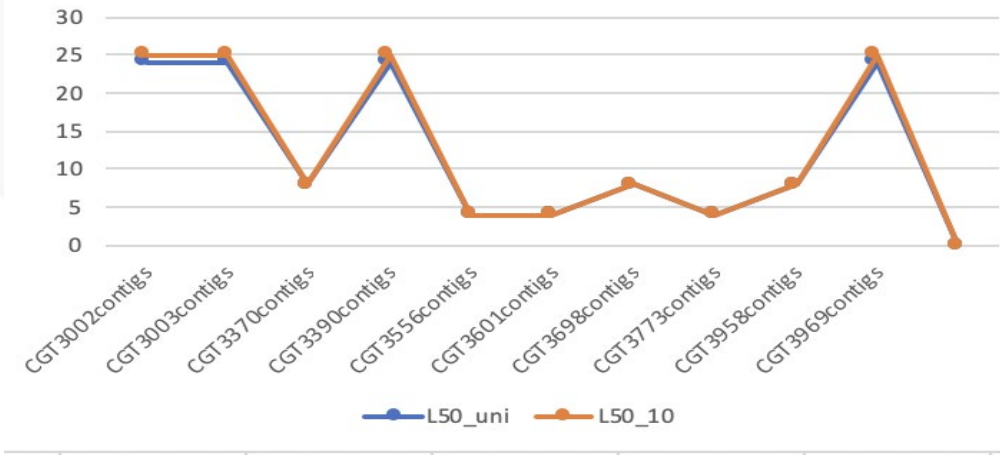
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Command:

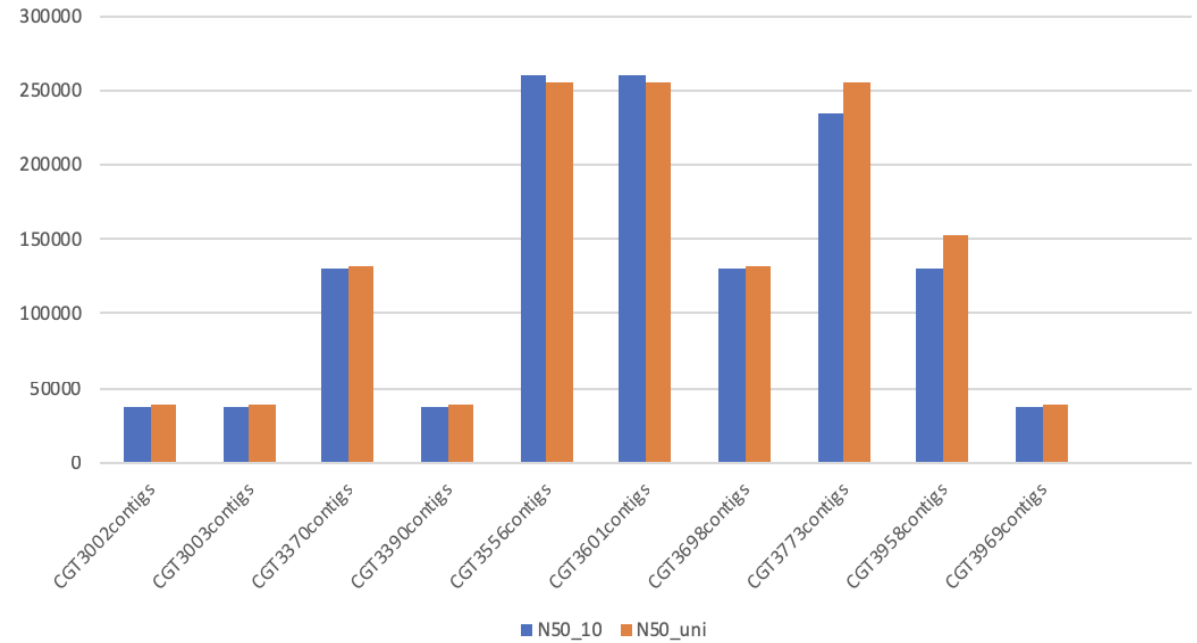
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subprocess.call("unicycler --spades_path spades.py -1 " + f1 +" -2 "+f2+ " -o "+output, shell = True)
```

Unicycler vs SPAdes

L50



N50



Thank you for using SPAdes!

```
Command being timed: "spades.py --careful -1 CGT3002_r1.fq -2 CGT3002_r2.fq -o speed_spades"
```

```
User time (seconds): 2232.40
```

```
System time (seconds): 107.71
```

```
Percent of CPU this job got: 450%
```

```
Elapsed (wall clock) time (h:mm:ss or m:ss): 8:39.37 😊
```

```
Command being timed: "unicycler --spades_path spades.py -1 CGT3002_r1.fq -2 CGT3002_r2.fq -o speed_spades"
```

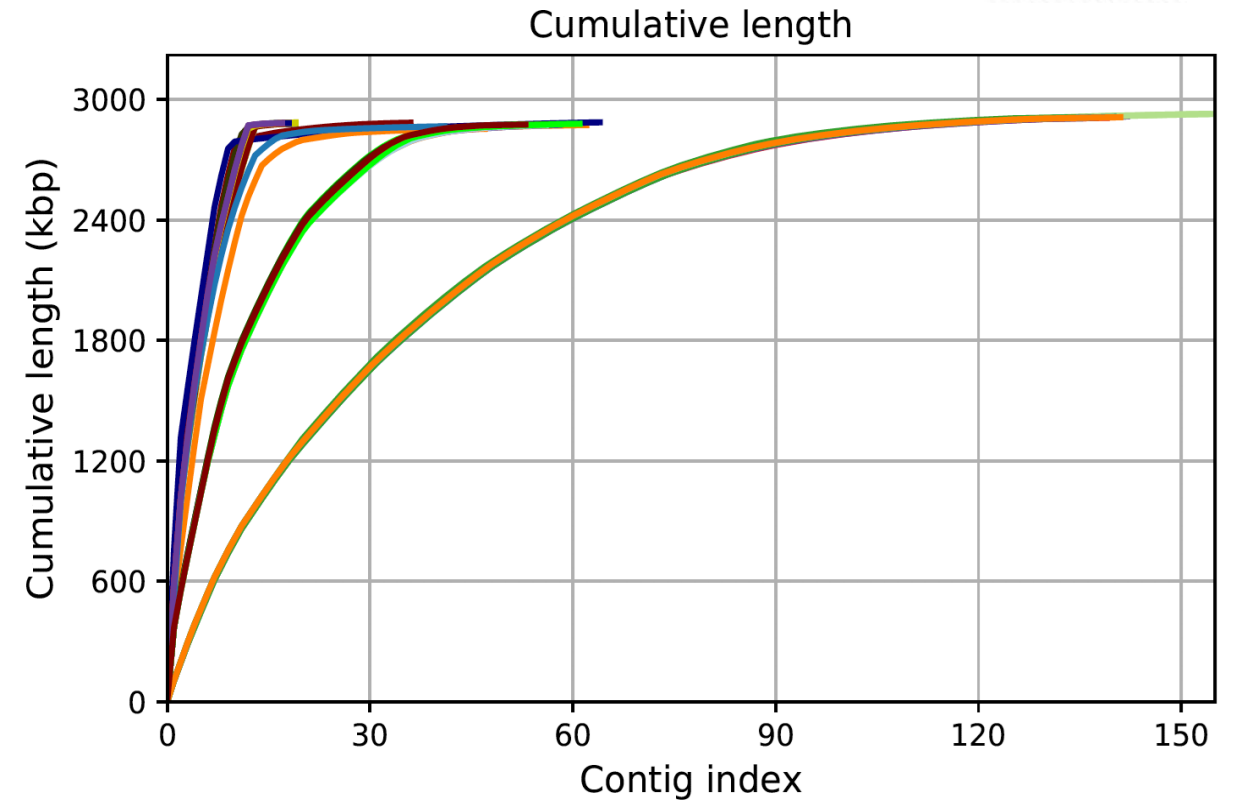
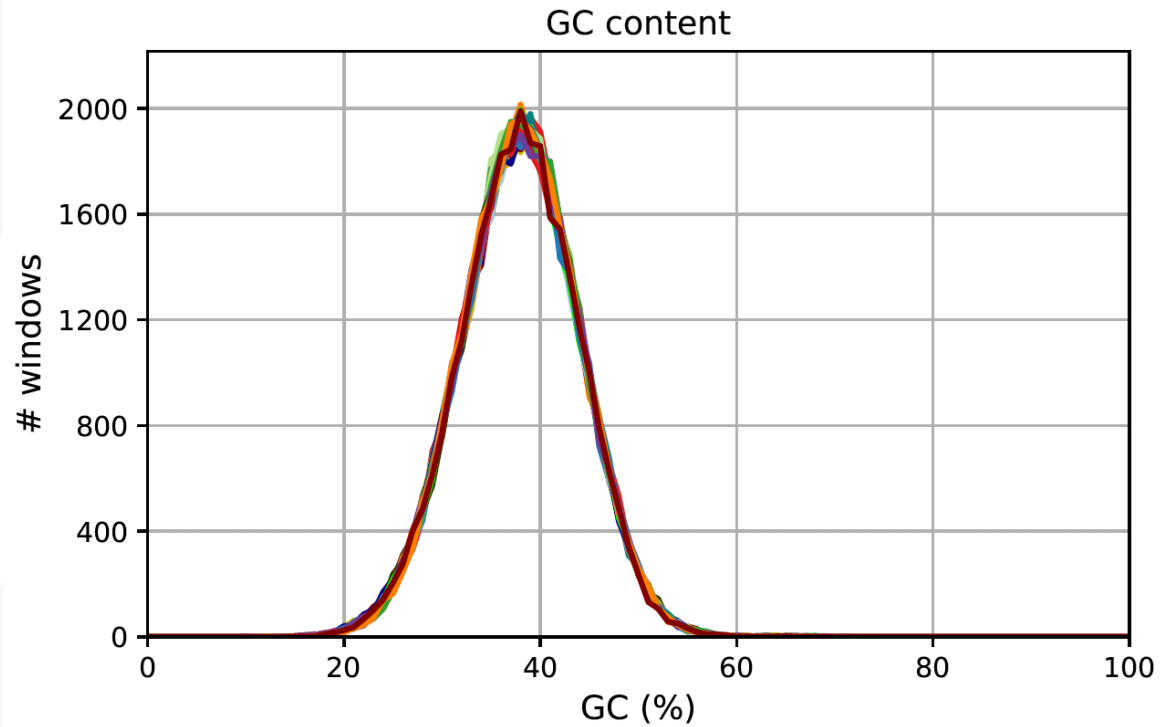
```
User time (seconds): 3365.85
```

```
System time (seconds): 165.50
```

```
Percent of CPU this job got: 327%
```

```
Elapsed (wall clock) time (h:mm:ss or m:ss): 17:57.48
```

SPAdes Output from Quast



Assemblers Benchmarked

MaSuRCA

SKESA

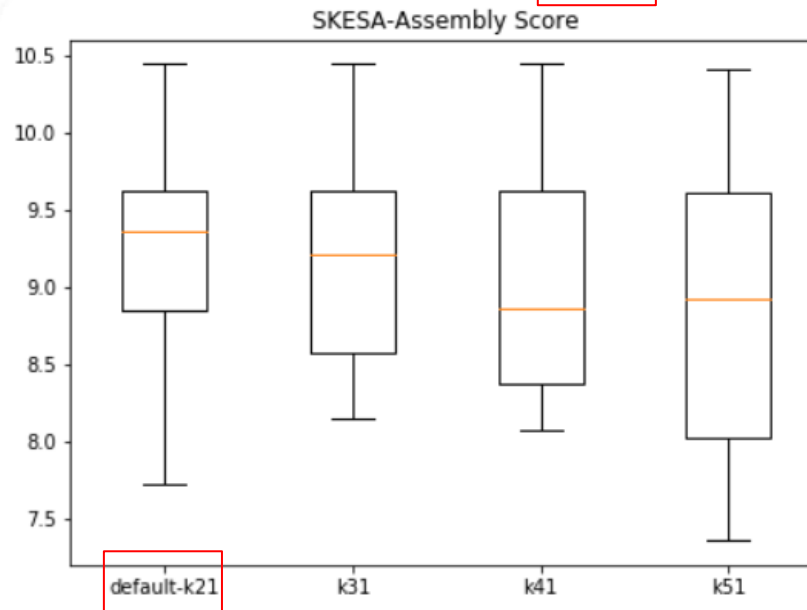
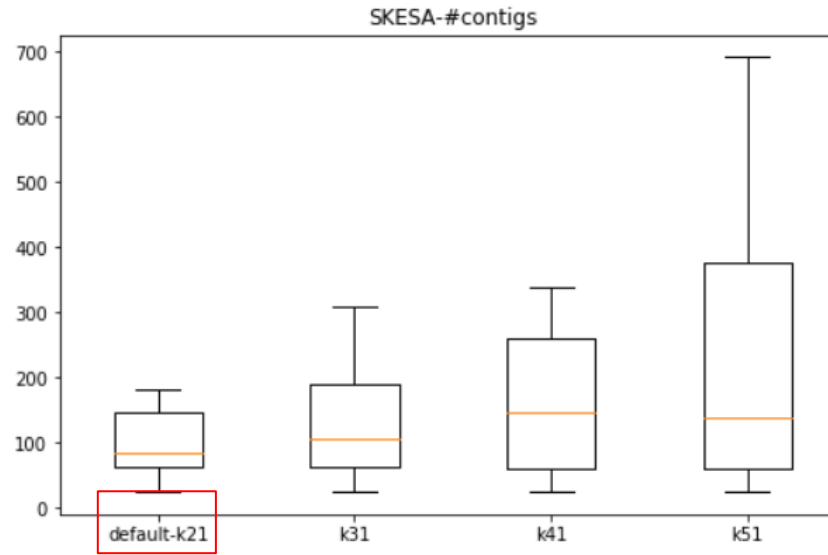
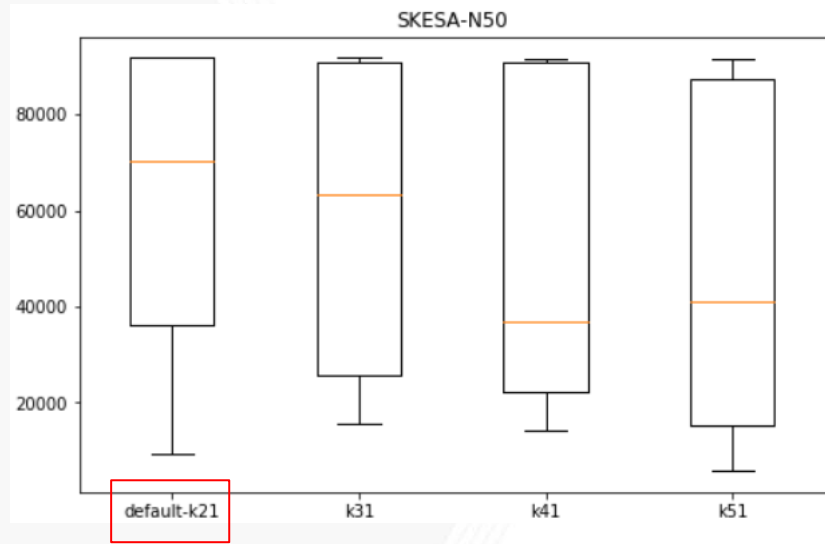
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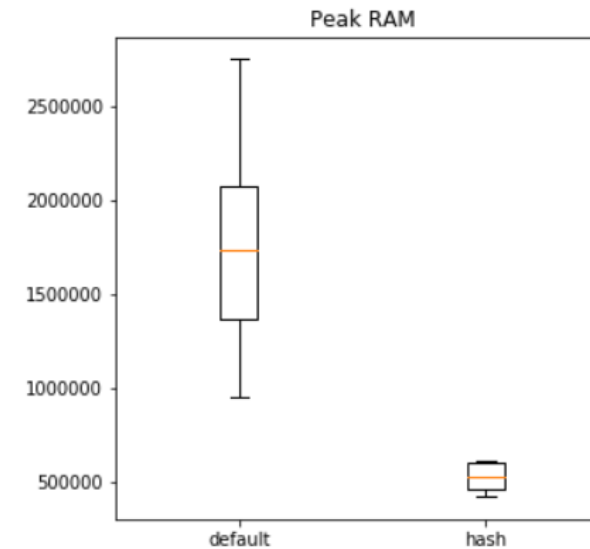
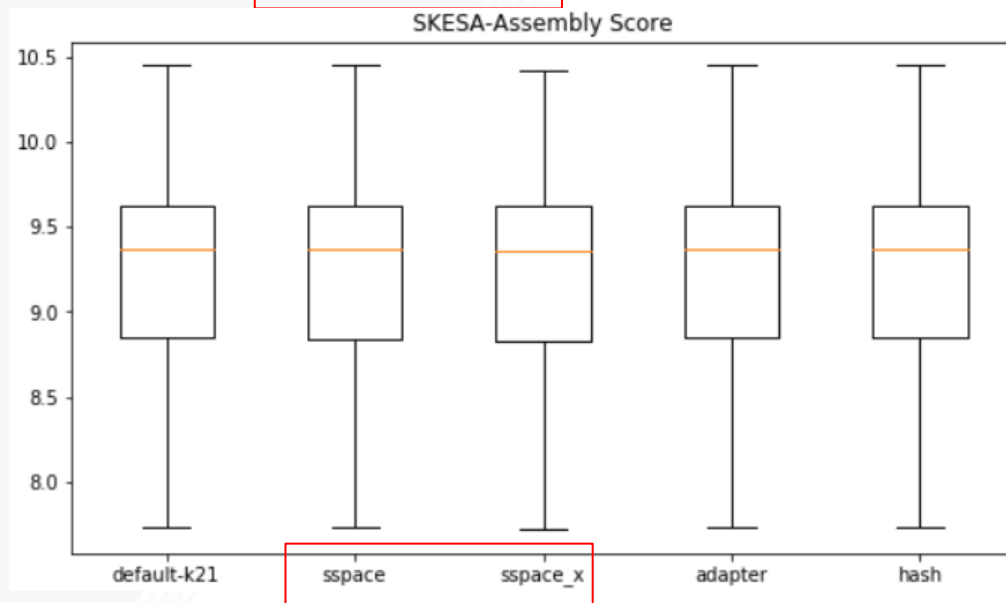
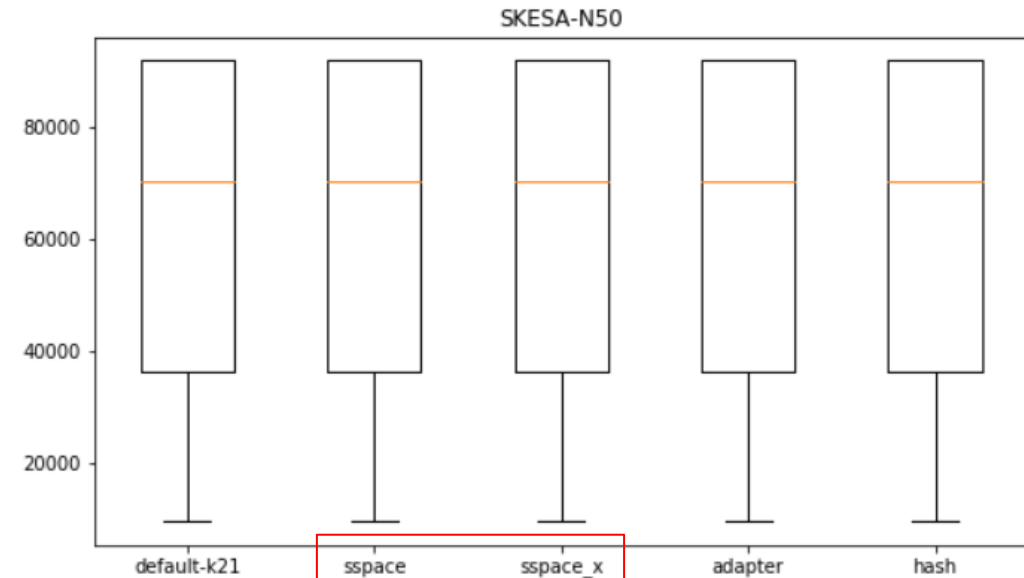
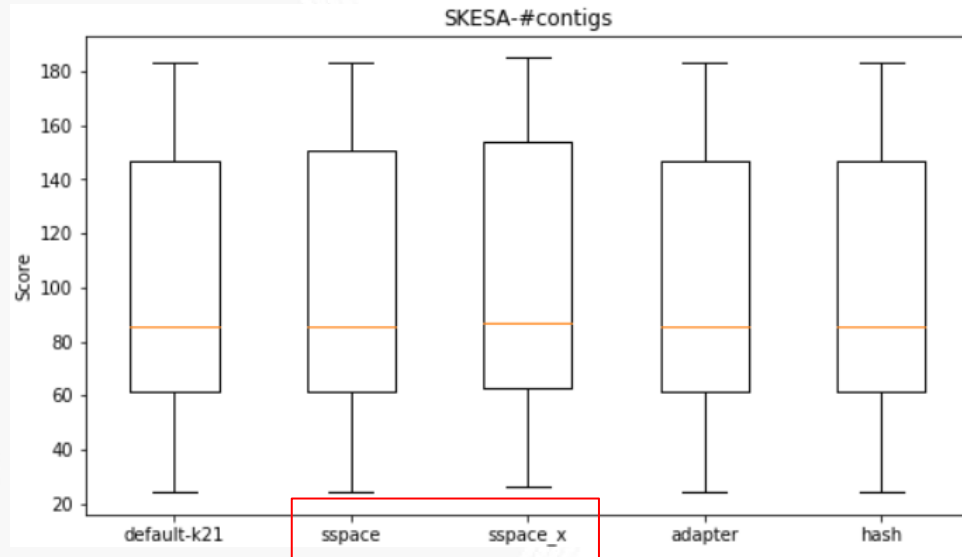
SKESA

- **Version:** 2.3.0
- **Command:** `skesa --cores 4 --fasta/fastq --contigs_out`
 - **--hash_count:** Use hash counter, much lower RAM (~1/3)
 - **--kmer:** Minimal kmer length for assembly, default=21
 - **--vector_percent:** Fractions of adapter, default=0.05
 - other unchanged options
- **sspace:** `-l library -x 0/1 -s contigs`
 - scaffolding pre-assembled contigs
 - `-l`: insert size: 150~450; orientation: FR
 - `-x`: extend input contigs using paired reads, default=0 (off)
- **Default SKESA performs best**

SKESA-kmer



SKESA-other options



Assemblers Benchmarked

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Abyss

Why Abyss?

- de-novo assembler , parallel , designed for short reads
- De Bruijn graph algorithm

Which Version?

- 2.2.4 version
- Old version - more memory consumption
- From 2.0 version - Bloom filter

Stages:

- multistage assembly pipeline - unitigs, contigs and scaffold stages

Abyss

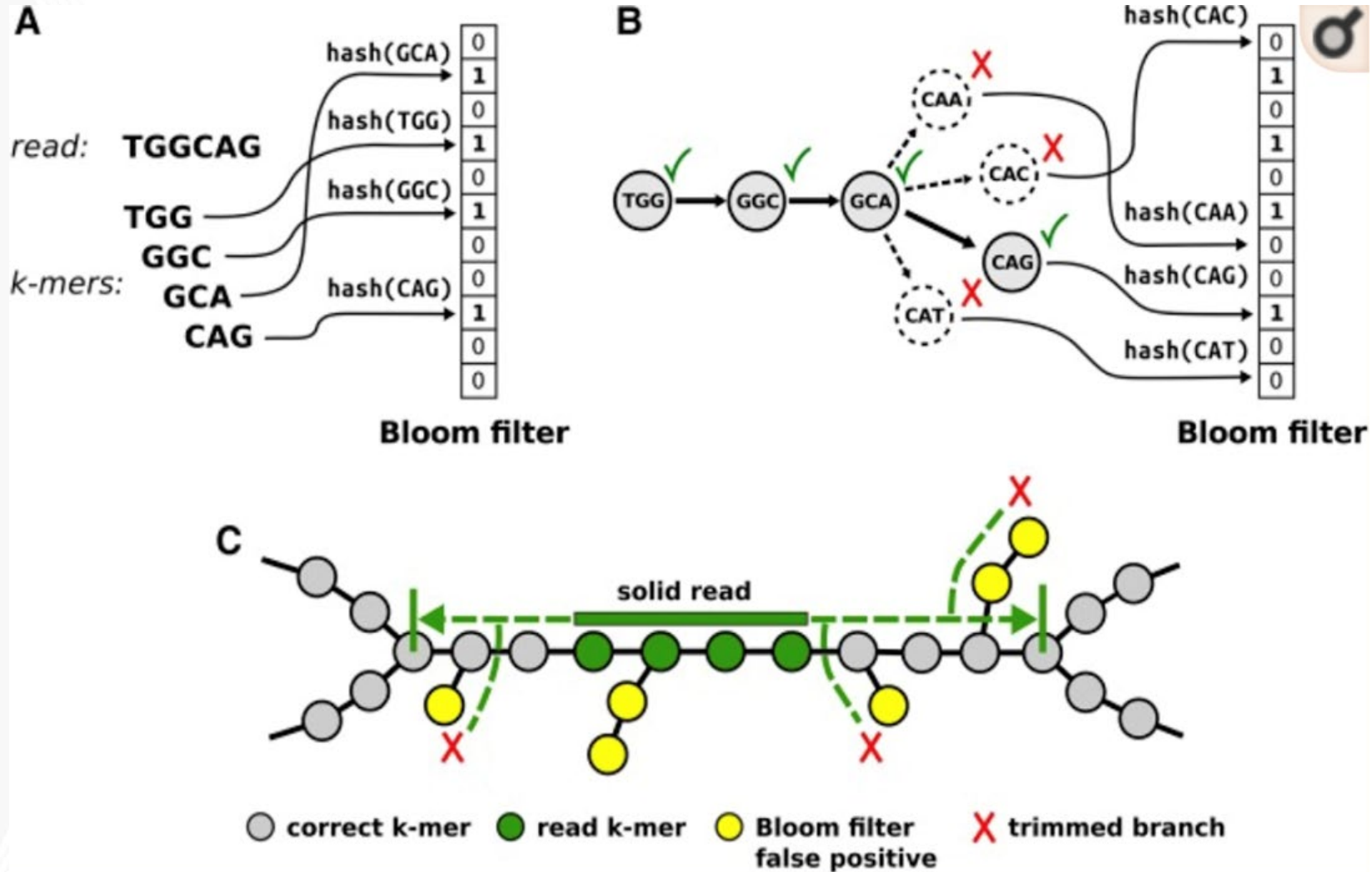
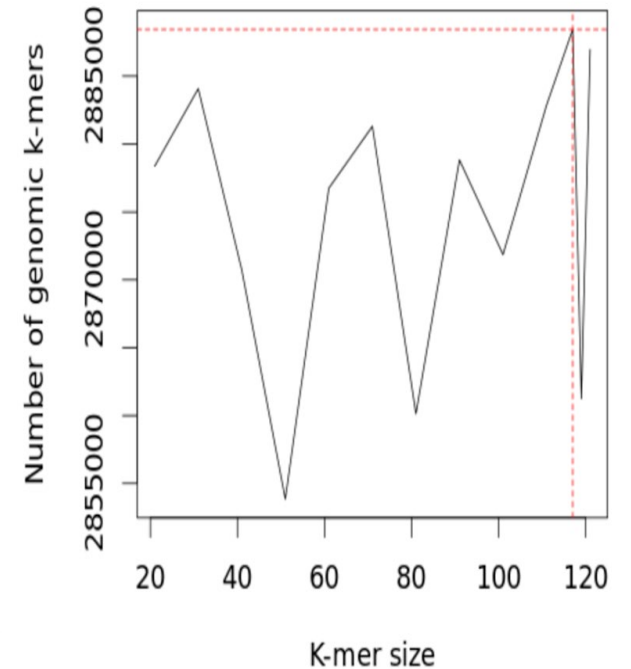
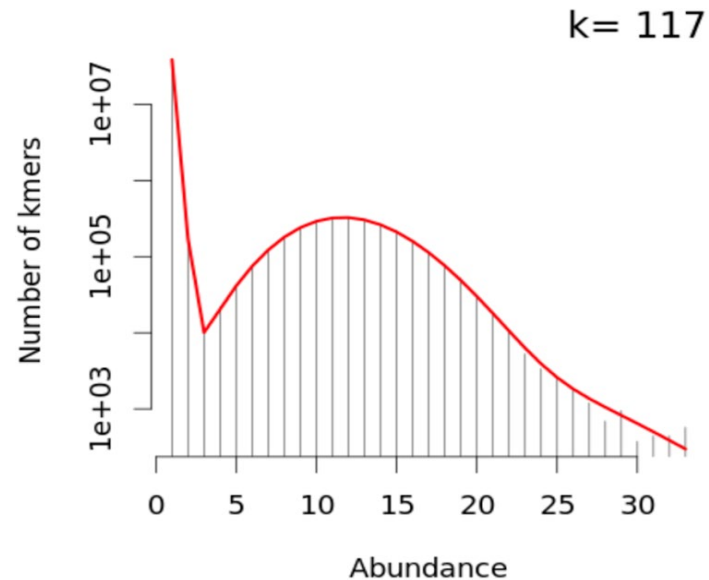
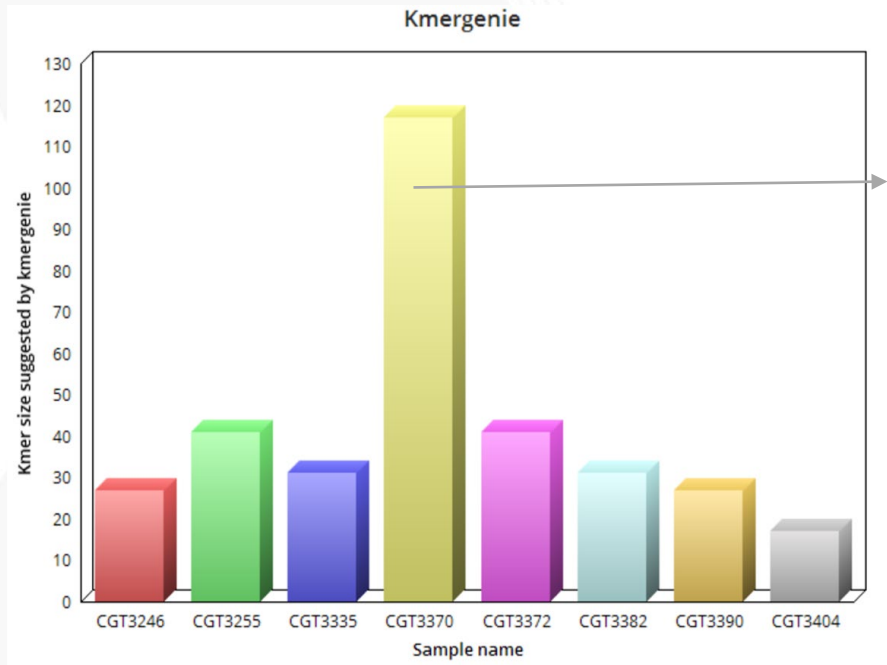


Figure - Shaun D. Jackman et.al [2017] "ABYSS 2.0: resource-efficient assembly of large genomes using a Bloom filter"

kmer counter tools

- Some popular tools: Jellyfish, **kmergenie**, DSK, ntCard



Kmergenie suggested 117 sample - CGT3370

kmergenie suggestions

- kmers suggested in 17 - 117 range, mostly less than 41
- why is it suggesting very low kmers?

SAMPLE NAME	KMERGENIE SUGGESTION
CGT3002	27
CGT3058	41
CGT3130	27
CGT3136	25
CGT3158	41
CGT3246	27
CGT3292	41
CGT3323	41
CGT3335	31
CGT3370	117

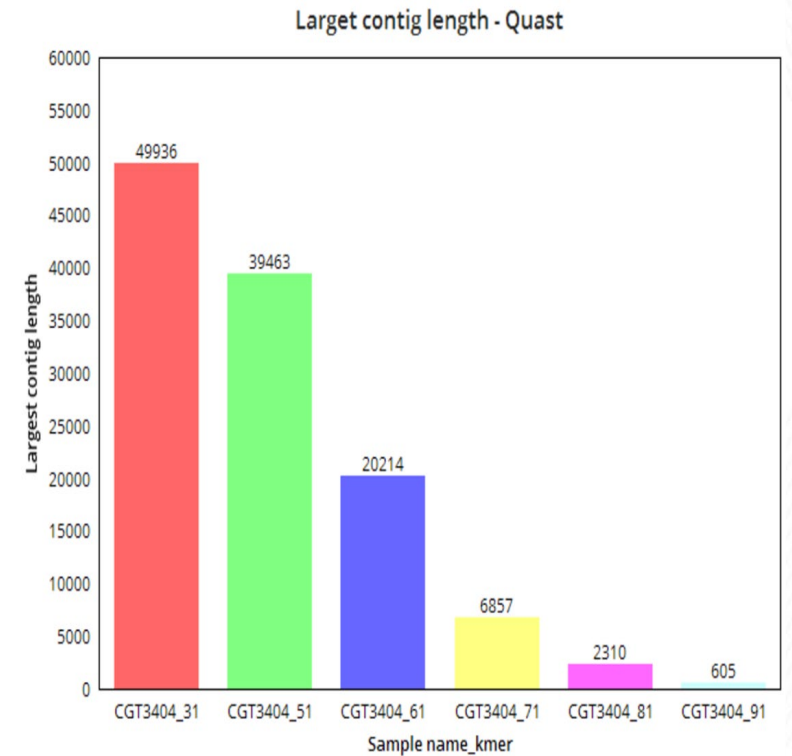
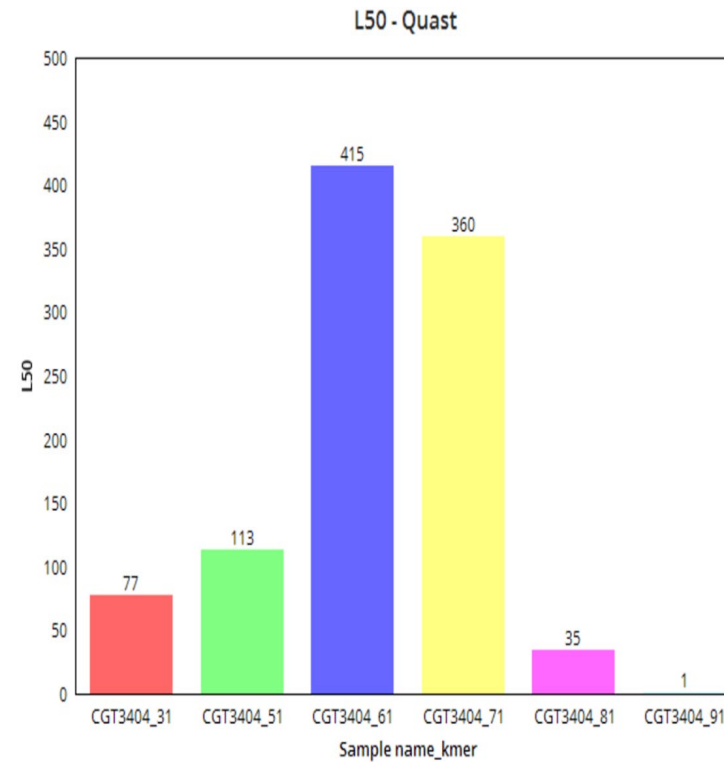
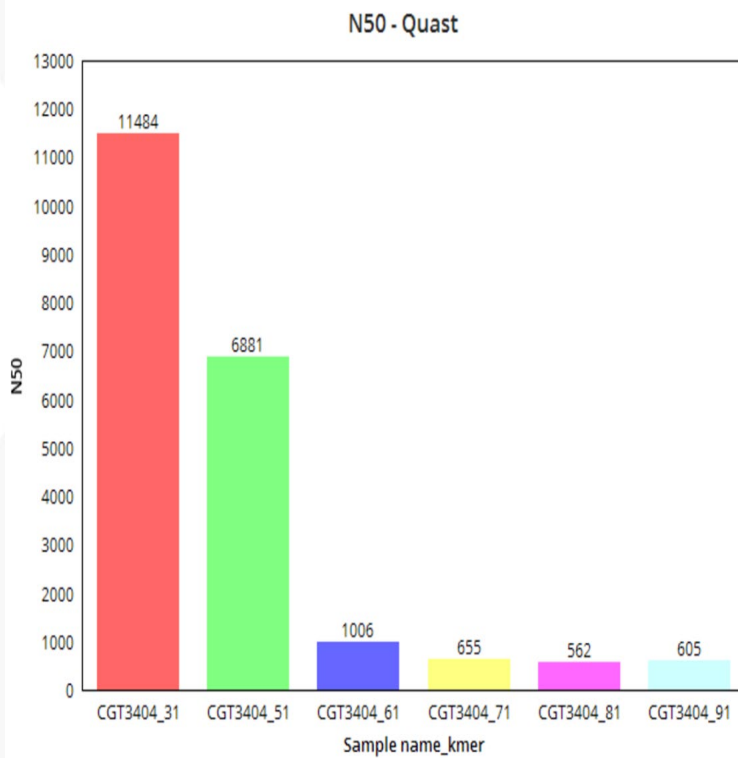
Abyss customized test run

- kmers tested - 31,51,61,71,81,91,101

Group	Samples
Group 1	CGT3409[third], CGT3335[seventh], CGT3404[ninth]
Group 2	CGT3002[first], CGT3588[second], CGT3757 fourth], CGT3768[fifth] , CGT3827[sixth], CGT3390[eighth]
Worst	CGT3757[fourth], CGT3390[eighth]

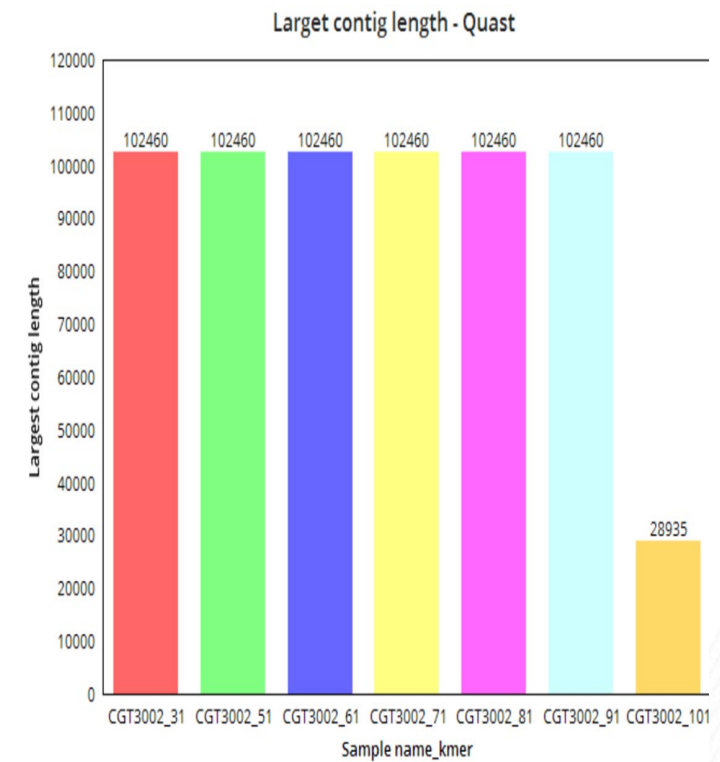
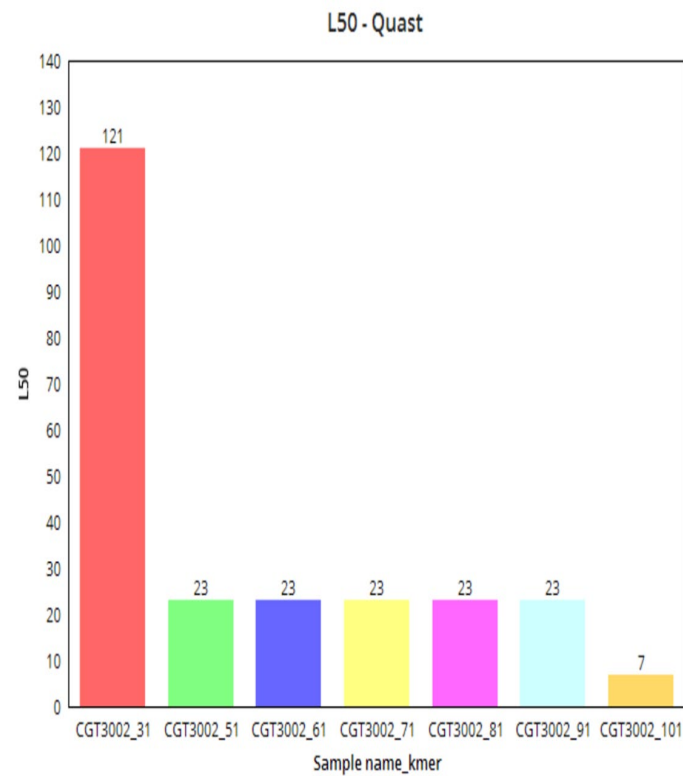
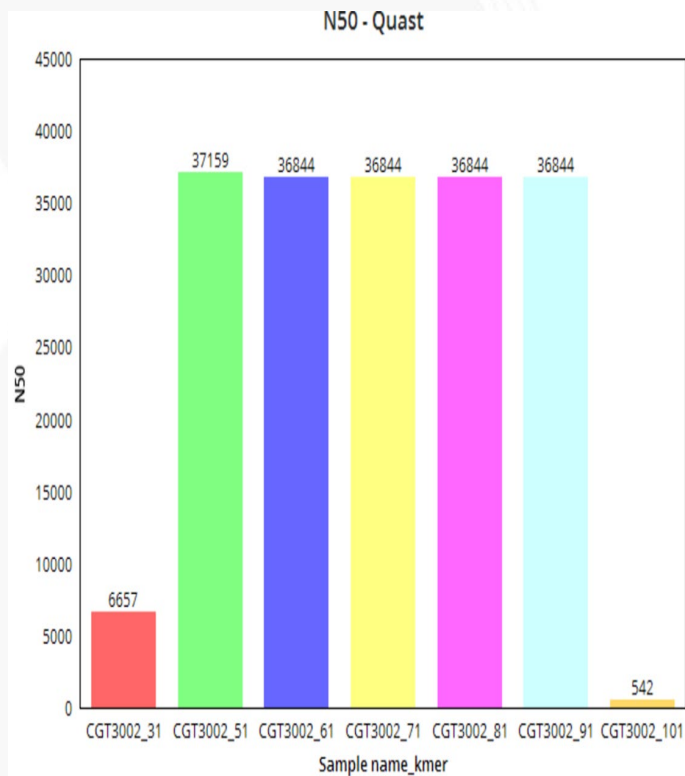
Abyss test run - Quality check - Quast

- Sample CGT3404 [Group 1] - best kmer - 31



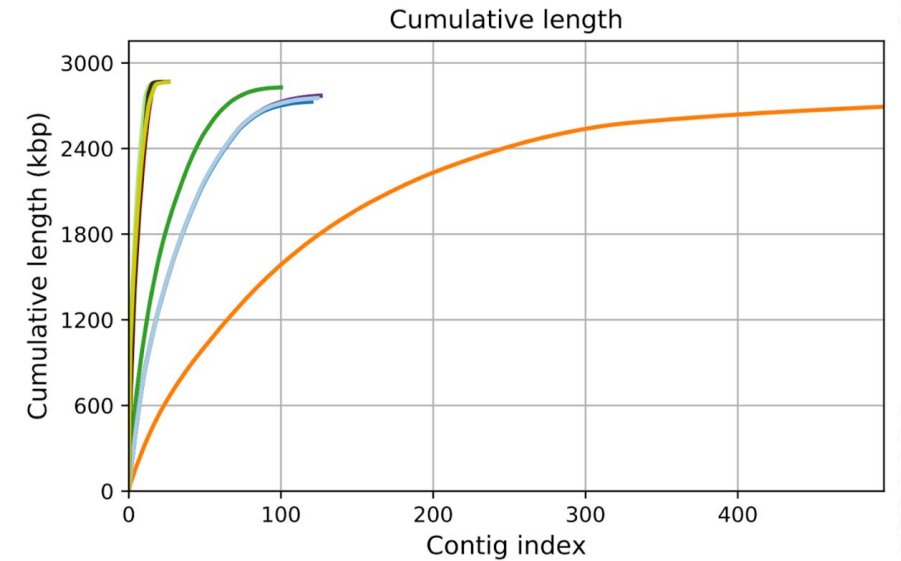
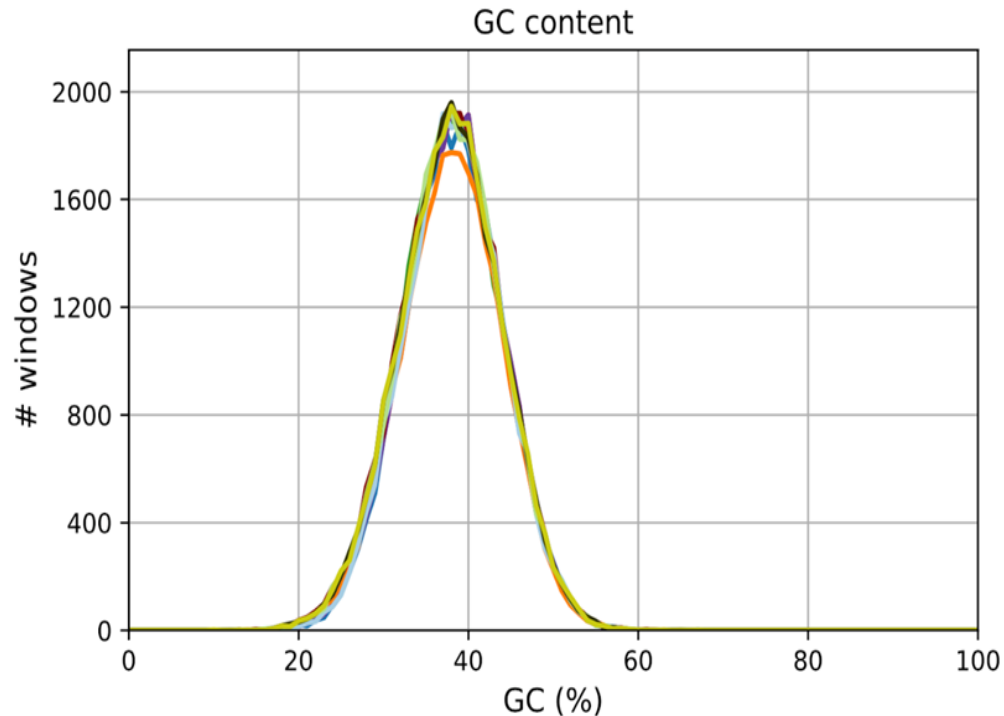
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- Sample CGT3002 [Group 2] - best kmer - 51



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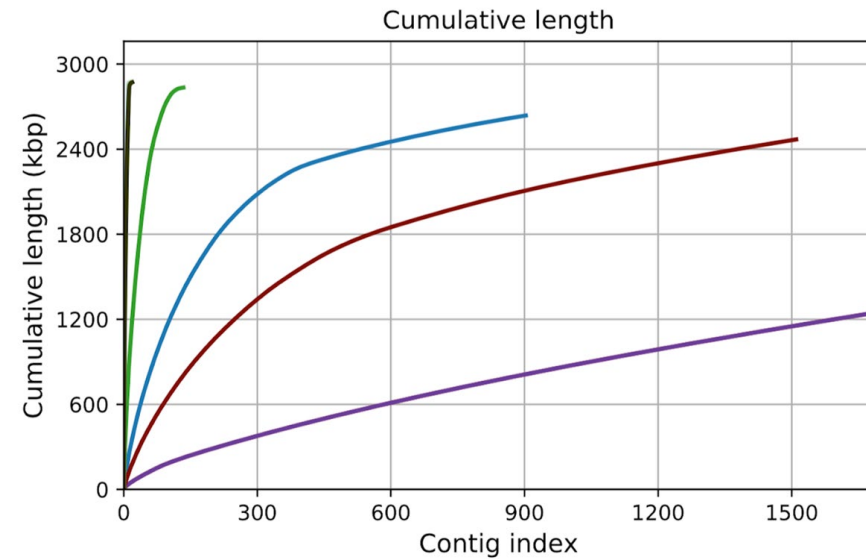
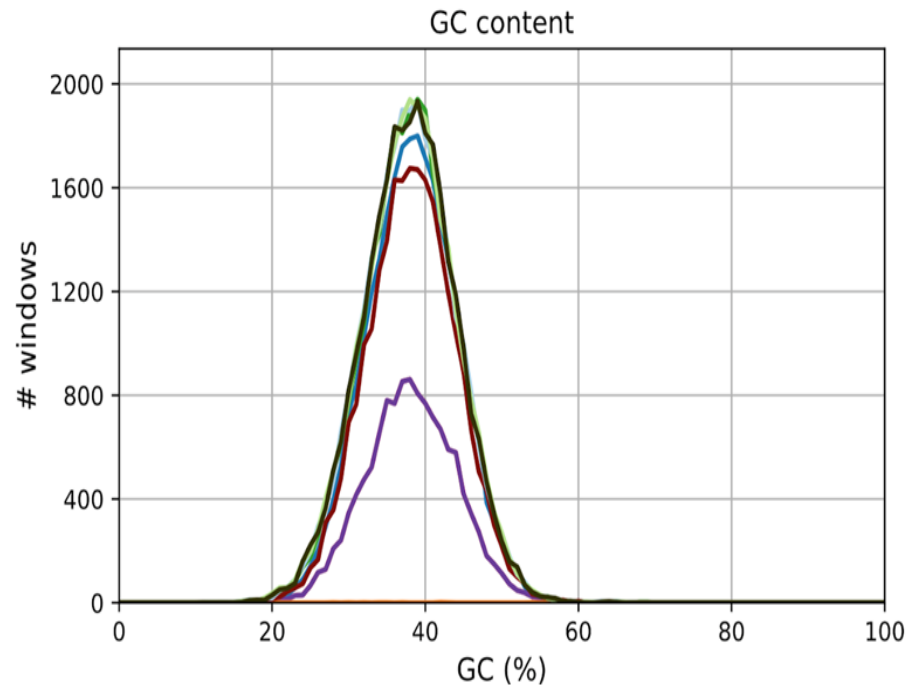
- kmer 31 for 9 samples



CGT3390_31	kmerCGT3404_31	kmerCGT3757_31
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kmerCGT3335_31	kmerCGT3588_31	kmerCGT3827_31
kmerCGT3390_31		

Abyss test run - Quality check - Quast

kmer 101 for 9 samples



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Kmergenie vs Custom test run

Sample	kmer by Kmergenie	kmer by customized test run
CGT3002	27	51
CGT3390	27	71
CGT3335	31	31
CGT3404	17	31
CGT3409	41	61
CGT3588	27	61
CGT3757	41	71
CGT3768	41	31
CGT3827	41	71

Abyss Final run

- Kmergenie suggestion for each sample
- parameters used :
- standard de Bruijn graph

```
abyss-pe k=kmervalue name=outputfilename in='file1 file2' v=-v
```

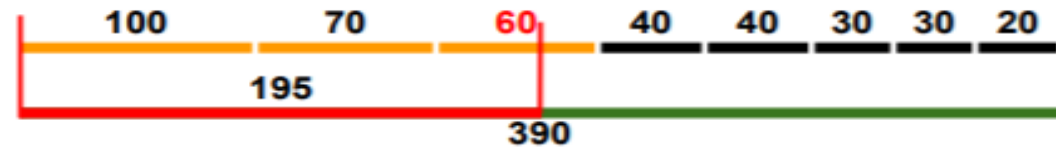
- Bloom filter de Bruijn graph

```
abyss-pe k=kmervalue name=filename in='file_r1.fq file_r2.fq' B=100M H=3 kc=3 v=-v
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Genome Assembly Quality metrics – QUAST and BUSCO

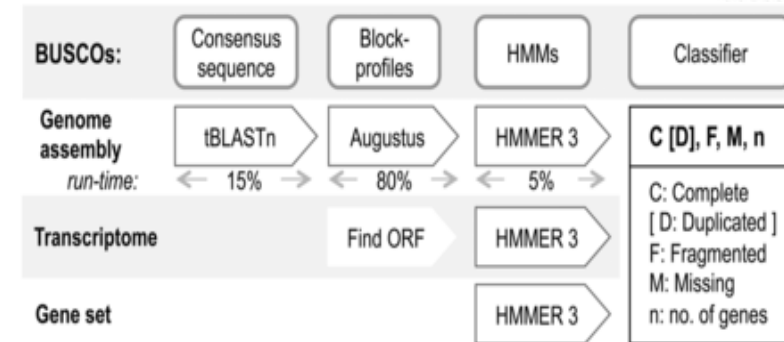
Quast-N50 family metrics

- Length of largest contig
- number of contigs
- N50 and L50
- N75 and L75



BUSCOs: Benchmarking Universal Single Copy Orthologs

- Single-Copy and Duplicated BUSCOs - BUSCO Completeness
- Fragmented BUSCOs - partially present
- Missing BUSCOs
- Lineage database for bacteria was used which contains 124 BUSCOs

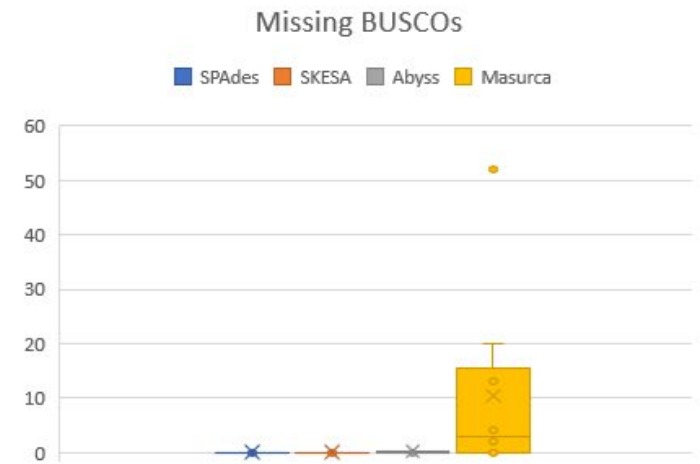
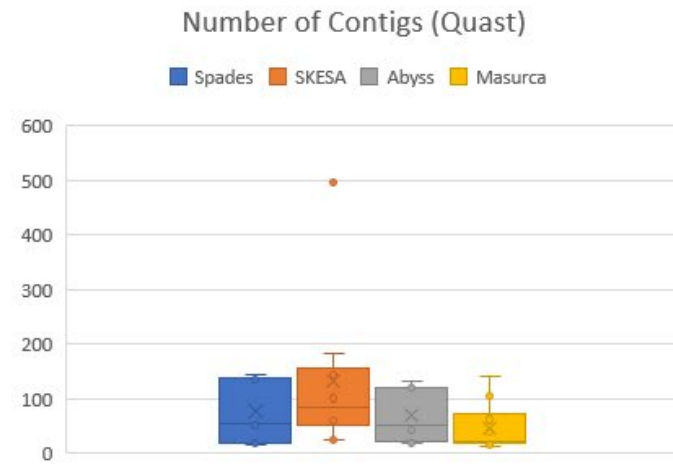
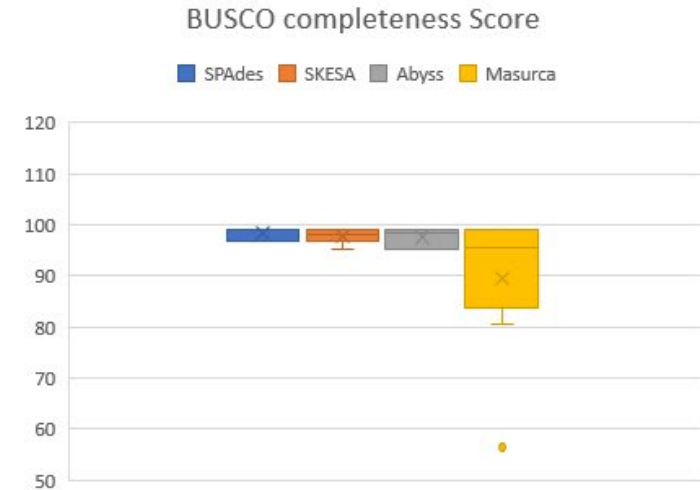
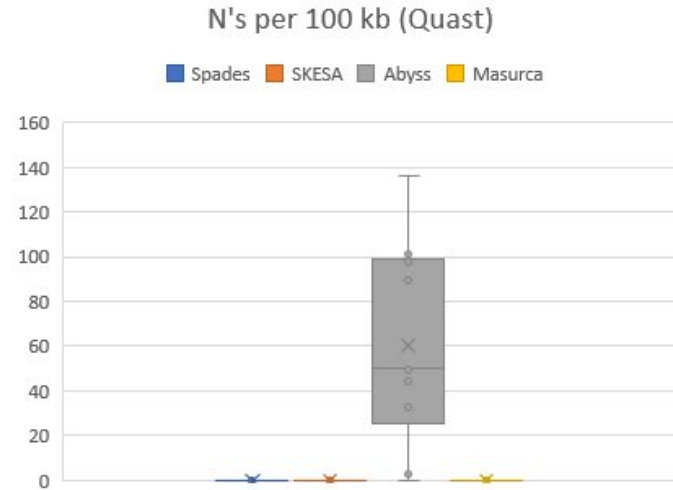
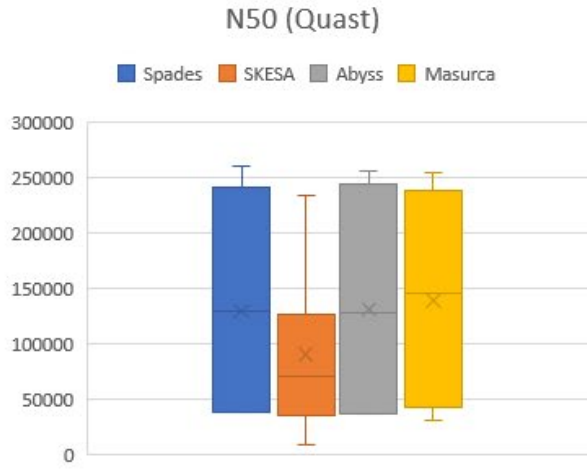


```
busco -m Genome -i config.fa -l bacteria_odb10 -o output
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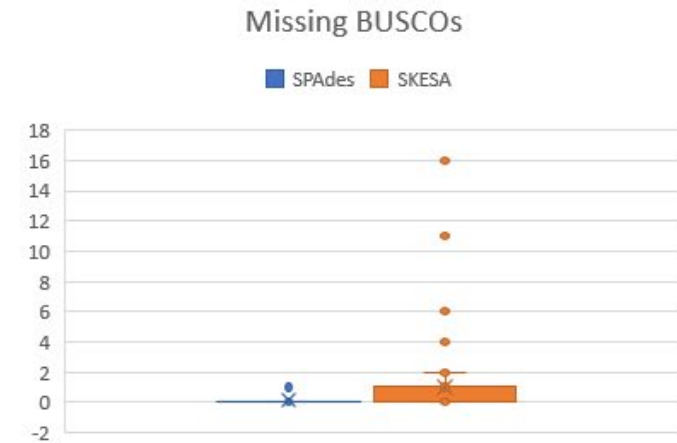
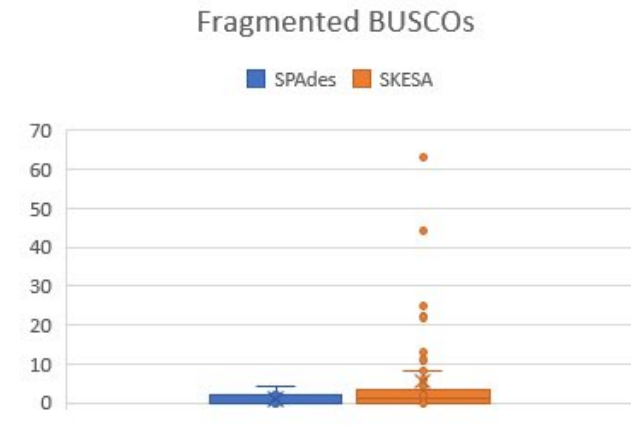
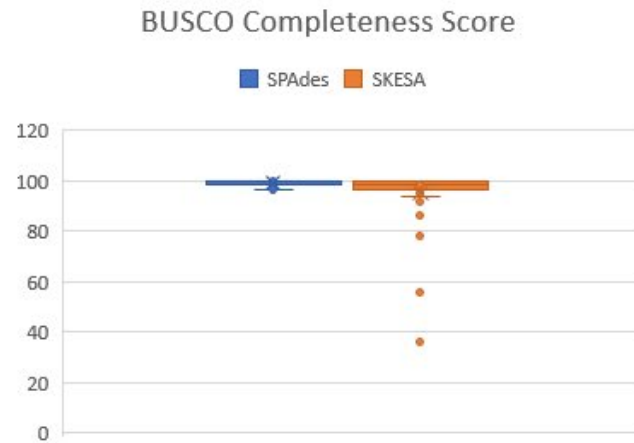
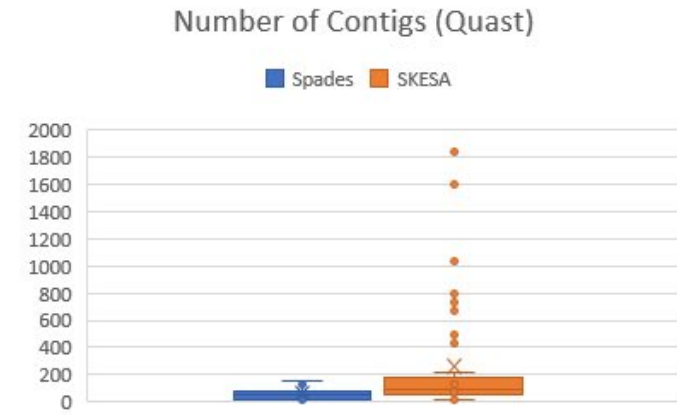
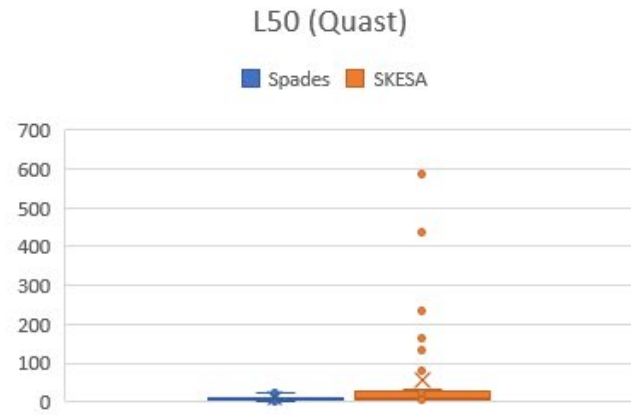
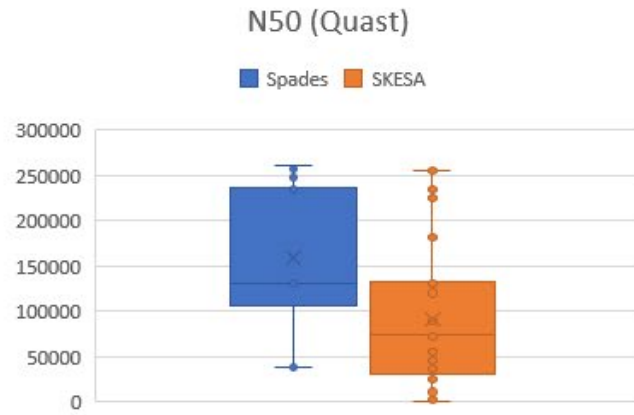

Quast N50 metrics with BUSCO scores on subset of samples

Abyss ruled out at this stage

Masurca ruled out at this stage

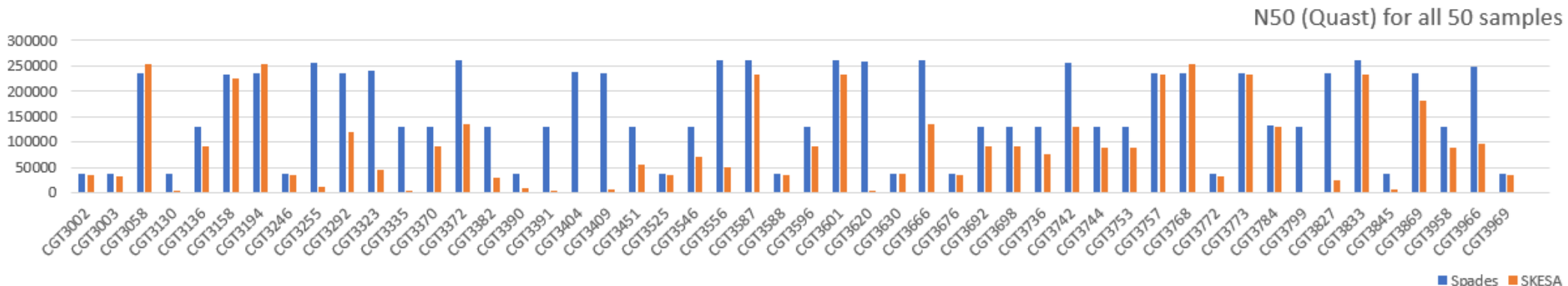
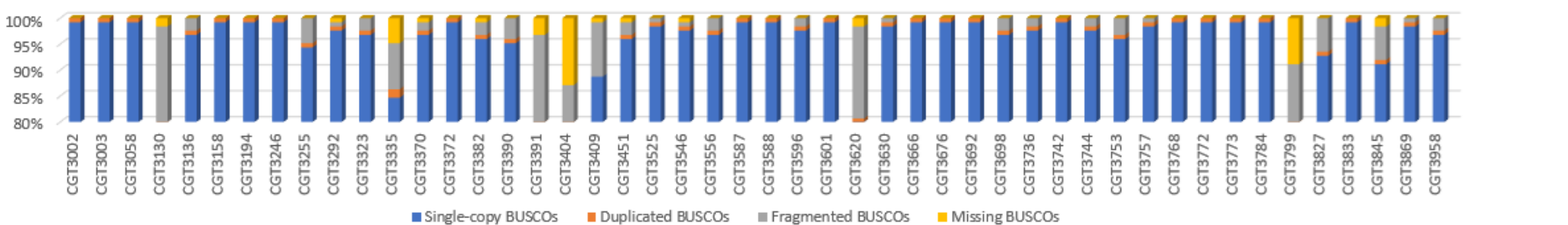
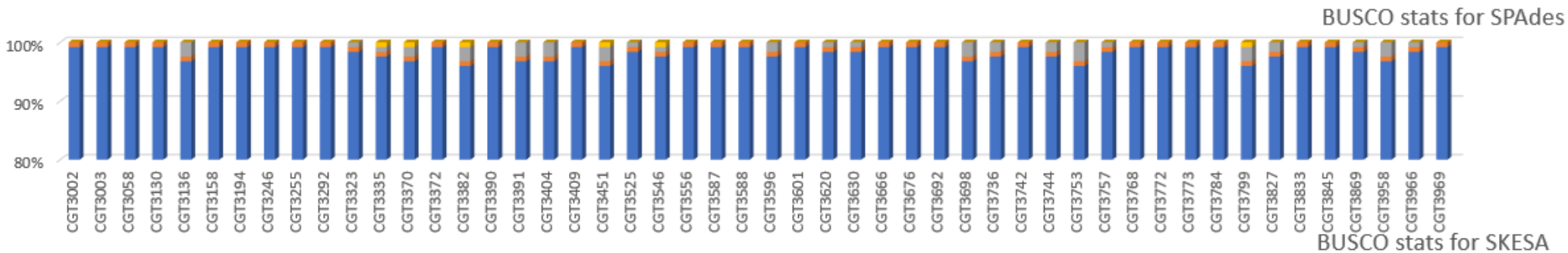


SPAdes vs SKESA



SPADES seems to be better with completeness of BUSCOs

Correlation of N50 with BUSCO for all the samples

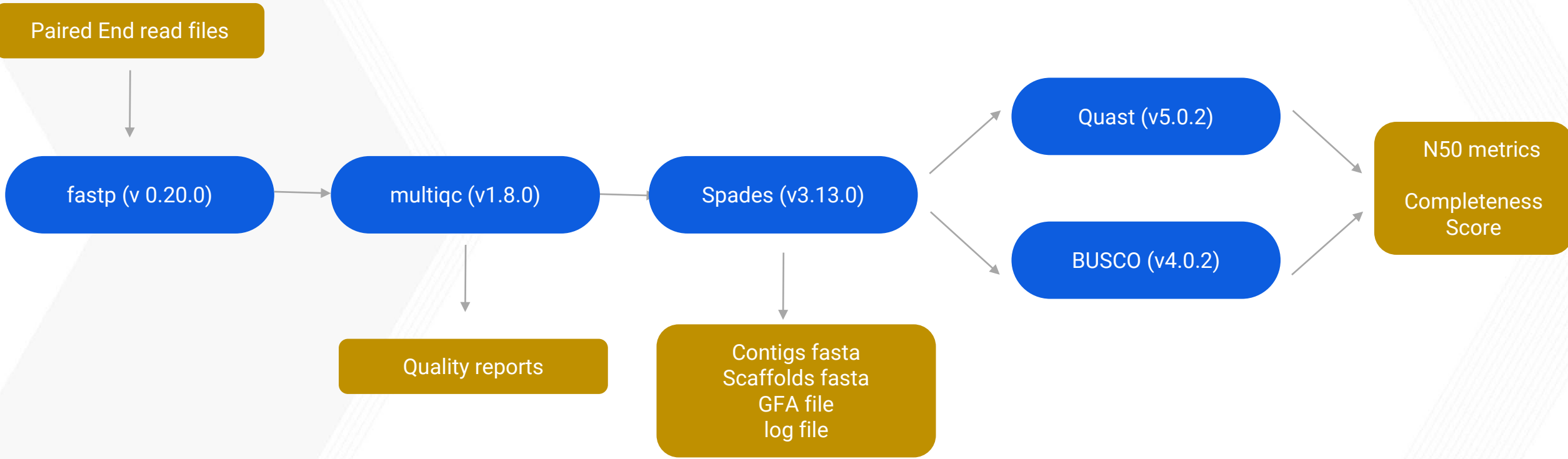


SKESA was not able to handle all the samples provided.

Summary of Assemblers

Criteria	SPAdes	SKESA	MaSuRCA	Abyss
N50	Relatively large	Small	Relatively large	Relatively large
Optimization	Auto-detects k-mers	Auto-detects k-mers	Auto-detects k-mers	Requires external k-mer counter or optimization tool
Time	~8min	<5 min	30-40 mins	<5mins [Bloom filter]
Post-assembly QC	Good completeness scores	A few samples have very low completeness scores	missing BUSCOs, potential loss of data	as good as the kmer counter, possibility of N's in the contigs

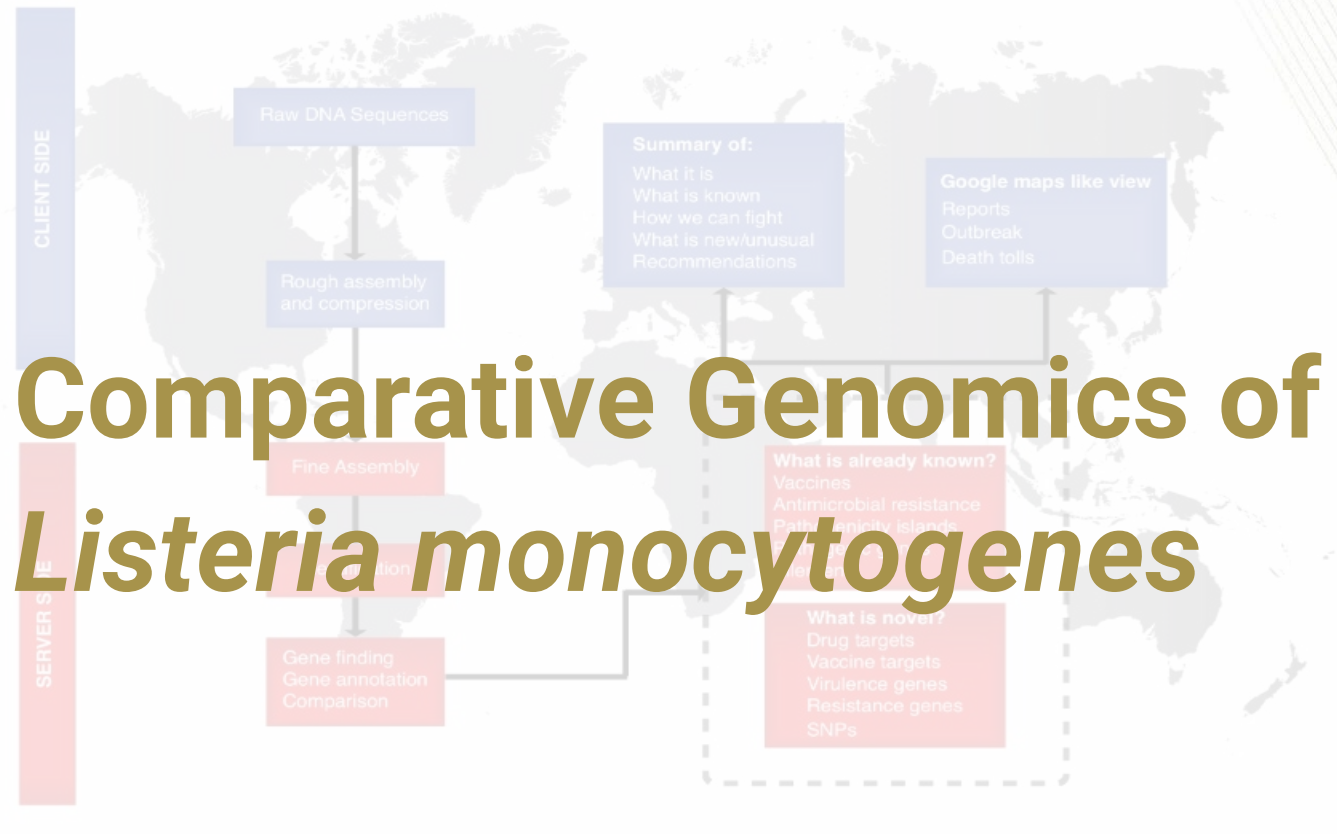
Final Pipeline Overview



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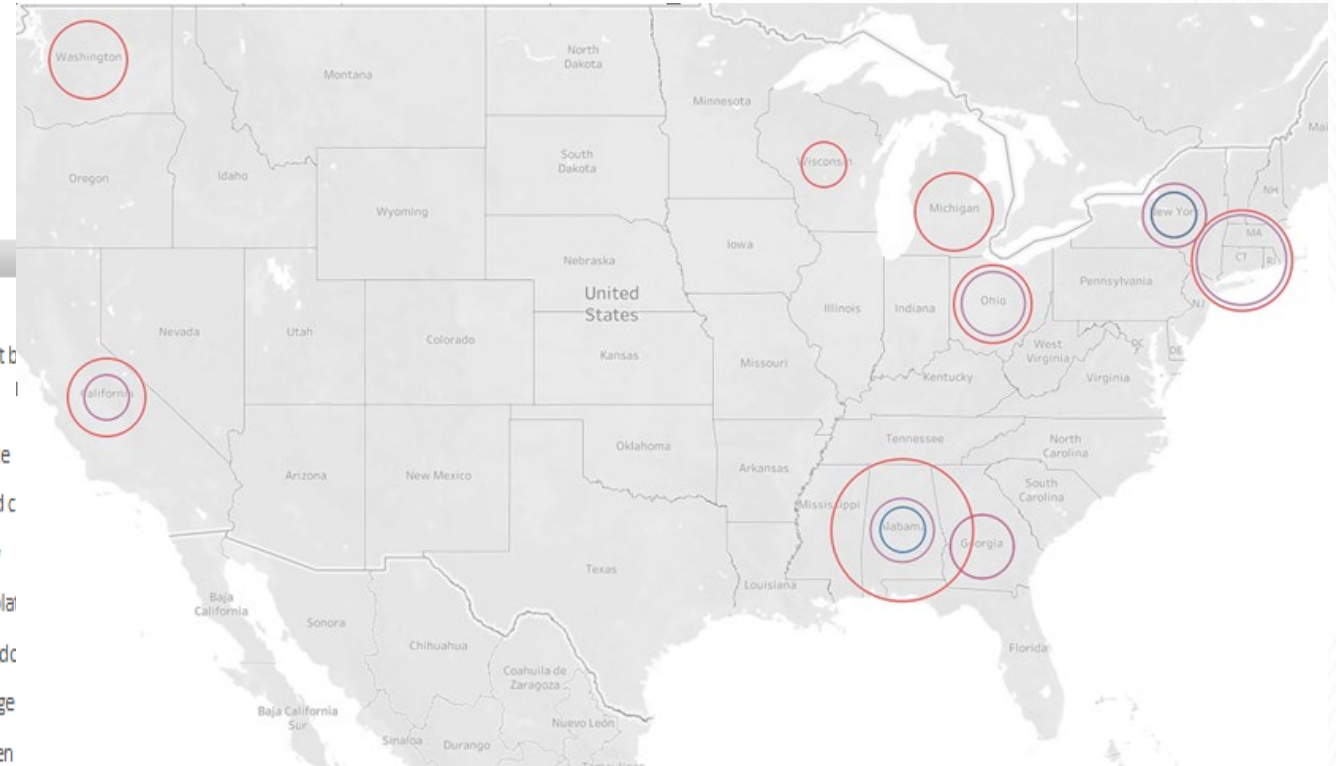
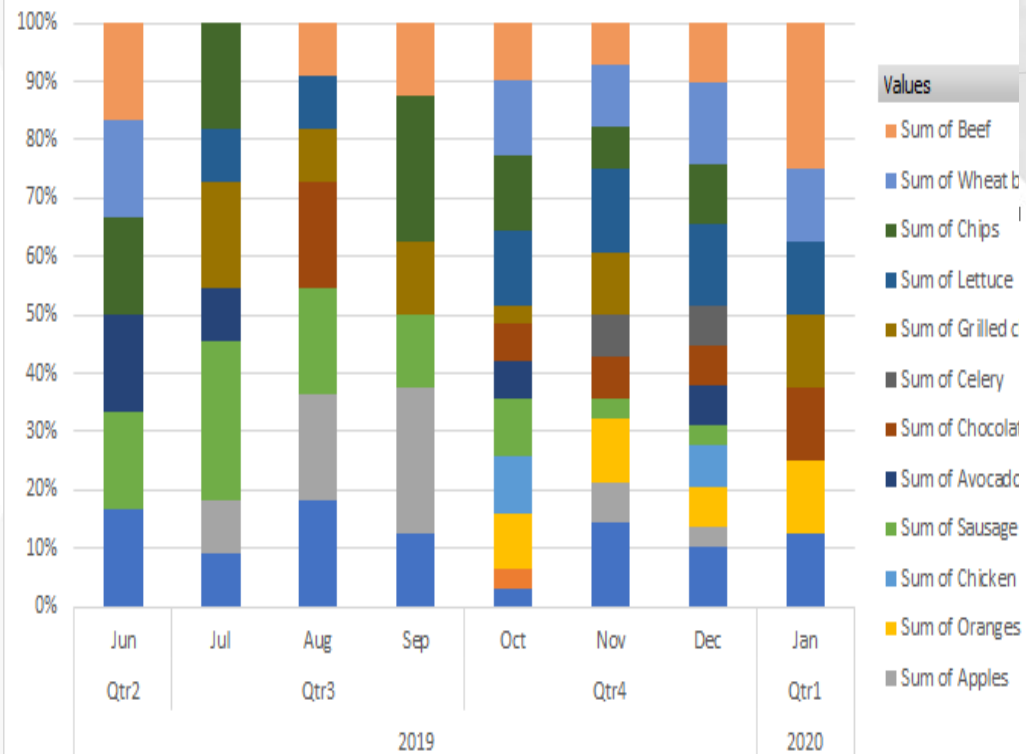
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Information at hand - Analysis from previous groups

- Raw fasta, trimmed data, genes predicted, other functionally annotated genes.
- Genes - Virulence factors - VFDB [Virulence Factor Database]
- Genes - Antibiotic resistance - CARD [Comprehensive Antibiotic Resistance Database]
- Plasmid genes for Virulence and antibiotic resistance

Information at hand - Epidemiological Data

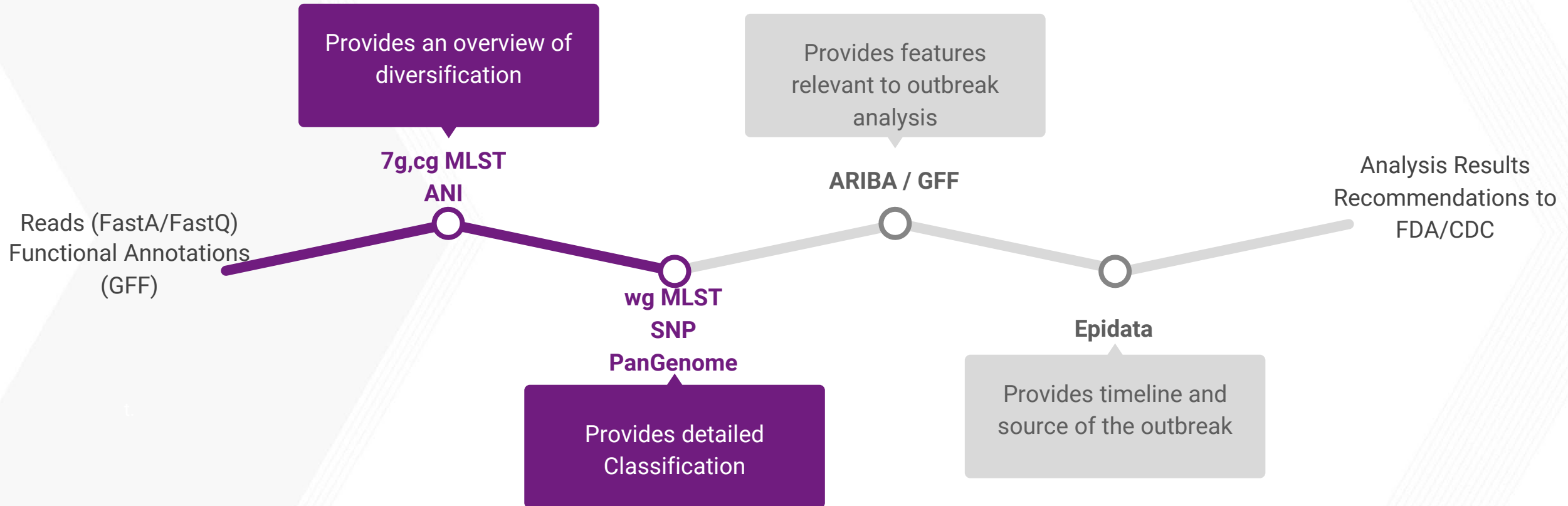
Percentage of food items consumed as per timeline



QUARTER(Sample Date)



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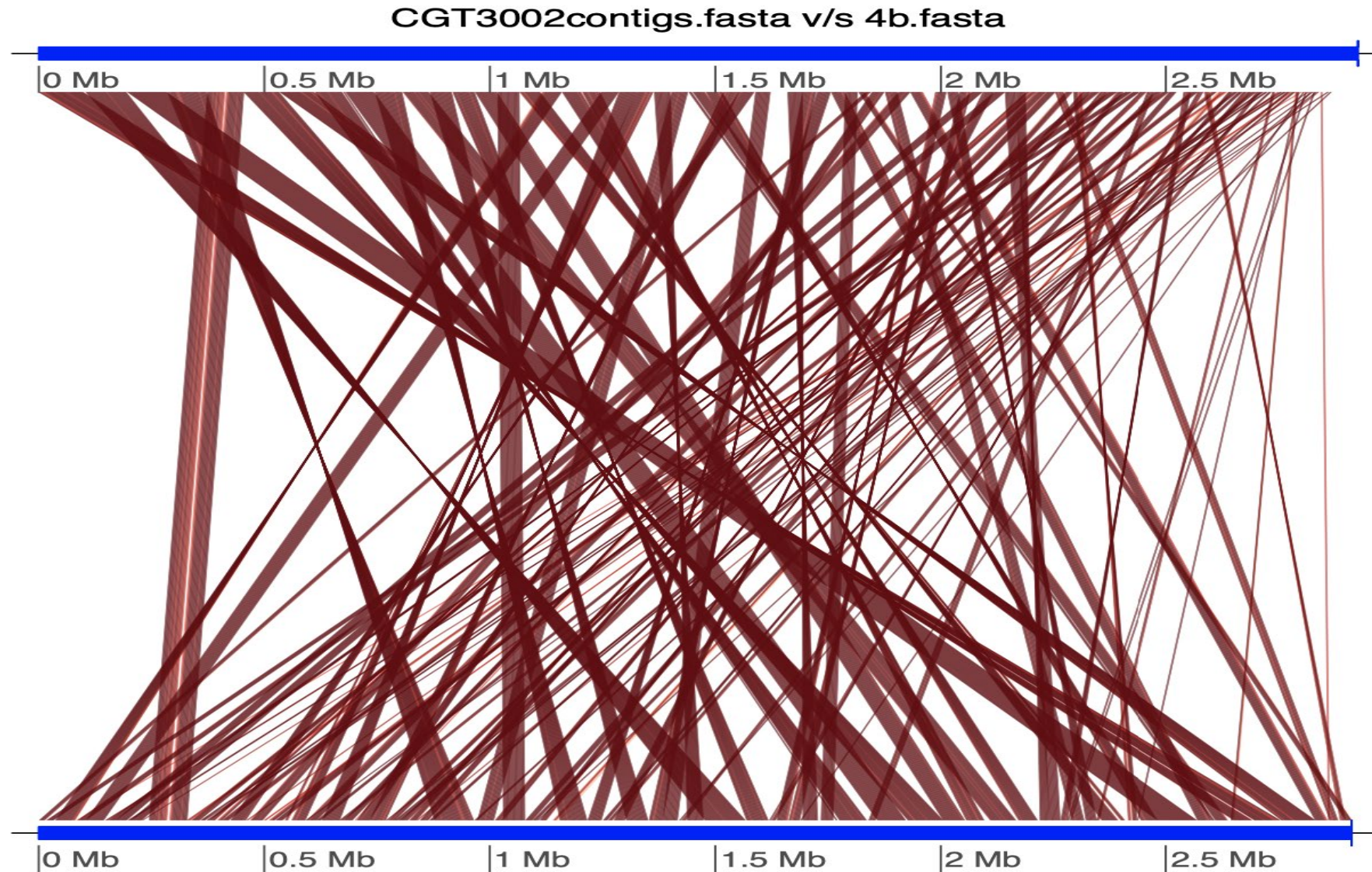
Average Nucleotide Identity (ANI)

- We used FastANI
- Command line:
fastANI --ql query.txt --rl ref.txt -o output.csv
- Using Listeria (serotype: 1/2a, 1/2b, 4b), Campylobacter and COVID-19 as reference genome.
- The result shows that Listeria (serotype: 4b) has the highest average ANI value.

ANI results

Species	Average ANI
Listeria 1/2a	99.443%
Listeria 1/2b	94.736%
Listeria 4b	99.641%
Campylobacter	Below 80%
COVID-19	Below 80%

ANI result



Tool 1: StringMLST

- Input: raw FASTQ files
- 7 housekeeping genes
- Used existing PubMLST schema of *Listeria monocytogenes*

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stringMLST.py --buildDB
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- Output format:

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stringMLST.py --predict
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Sample  abcZ    bg1A    cat    dapE    dat    ldh    lhkA    ST
CGT3058  3        1        1        1        3        1        3        1
CGT3194  3        1        1        1        3        1        3        1
CGT3292  3        1        1        1        3        1        3        1
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Phylogenetic Tree from 7-gene StringMLST



Based on the traditional MLST analysis, there are 5 distinct sequence types among our 50 samples.

Listeria monocytogenes Sequence Types:

219 (1 sample)

397 (3 samples)

1 (18 samples)

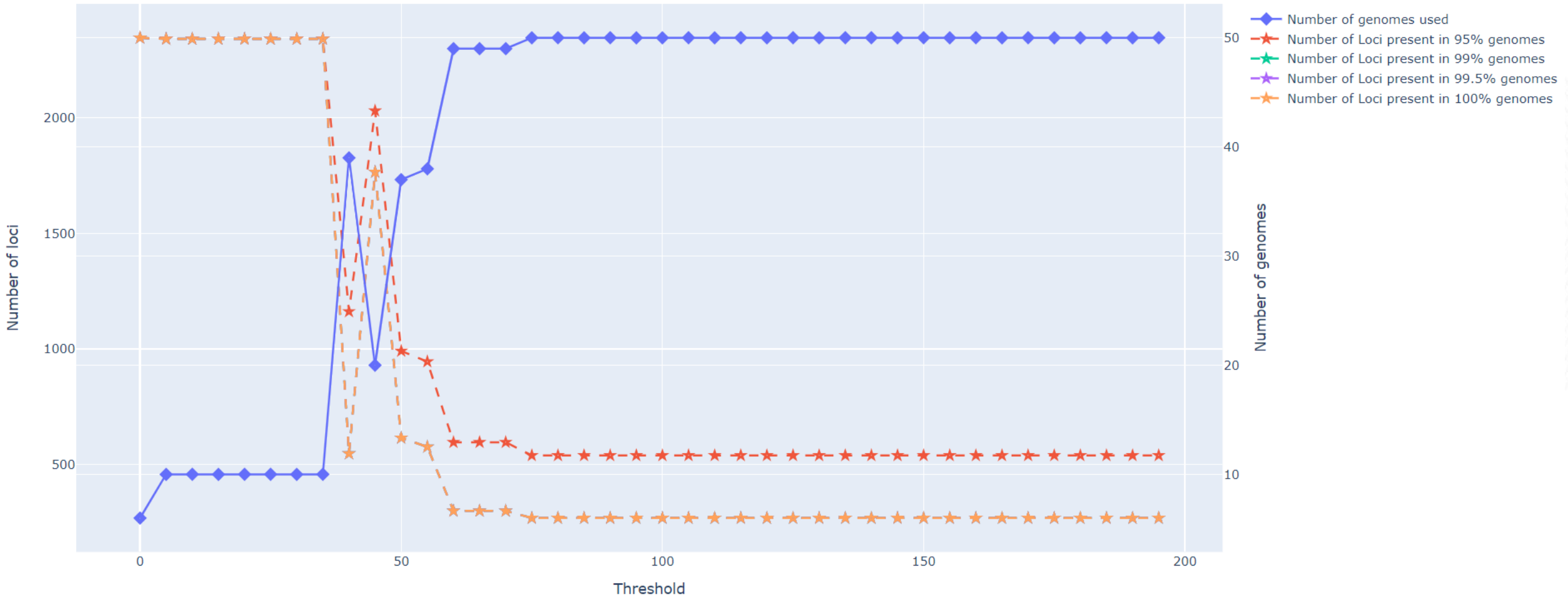
37 (16 samples)

6 (12 samples)

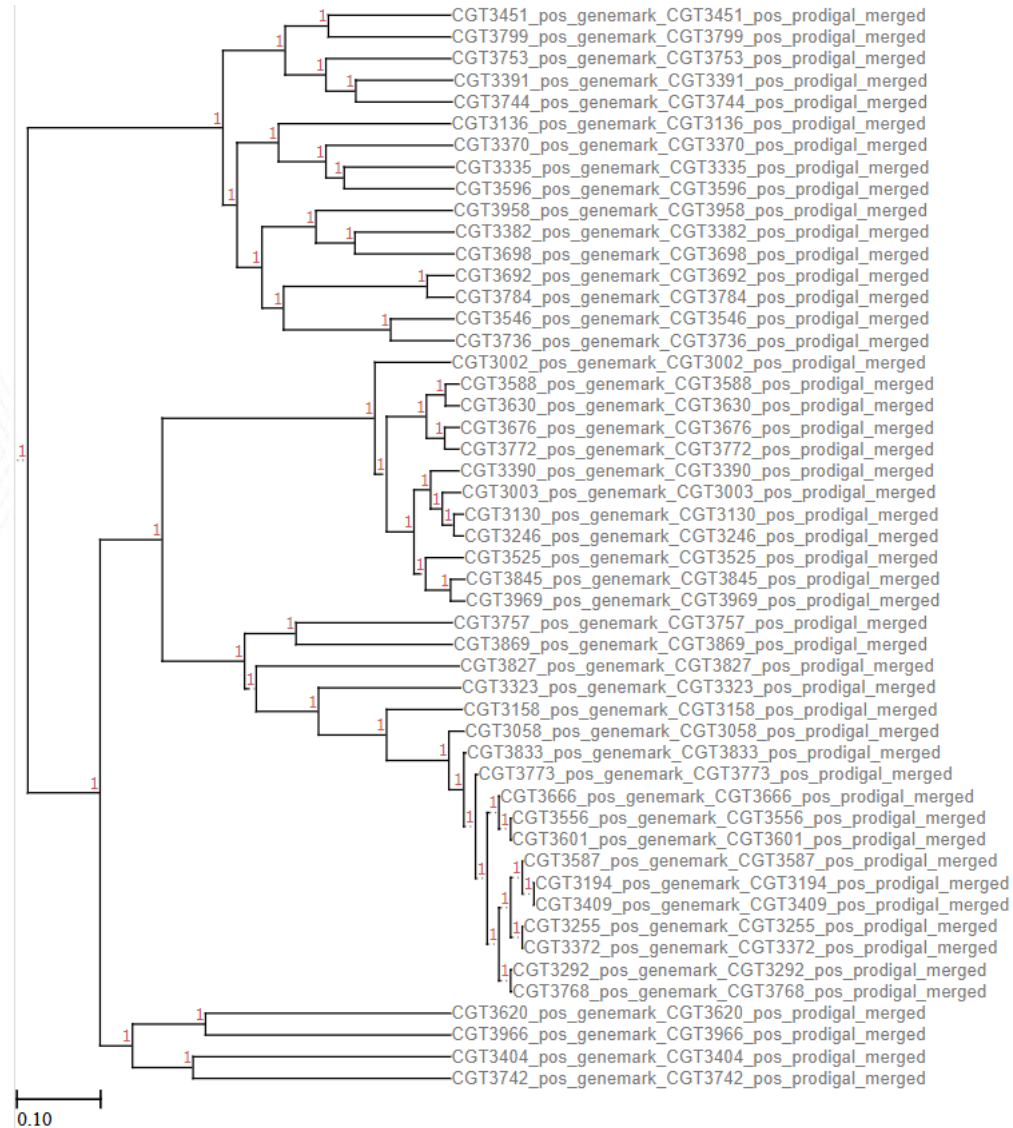
Tool 2: ChewBBACA

- 2997 loci in total, 540 loci used for cgMLST
- Input: FASTA files from Gene Prediction group
- Construct allele schema based genes from all isolates
chewBBACA.py CreateSchema
- Calling alleles from the schema
chewBBACA.py AlleleCall
- Run MLST analysis only with the loci present in 95% of the matrix
chewBBACA.py ExtractCgMLST

Test genomes quality



Phylogenetic Tree from ChewBBACA cgMLST



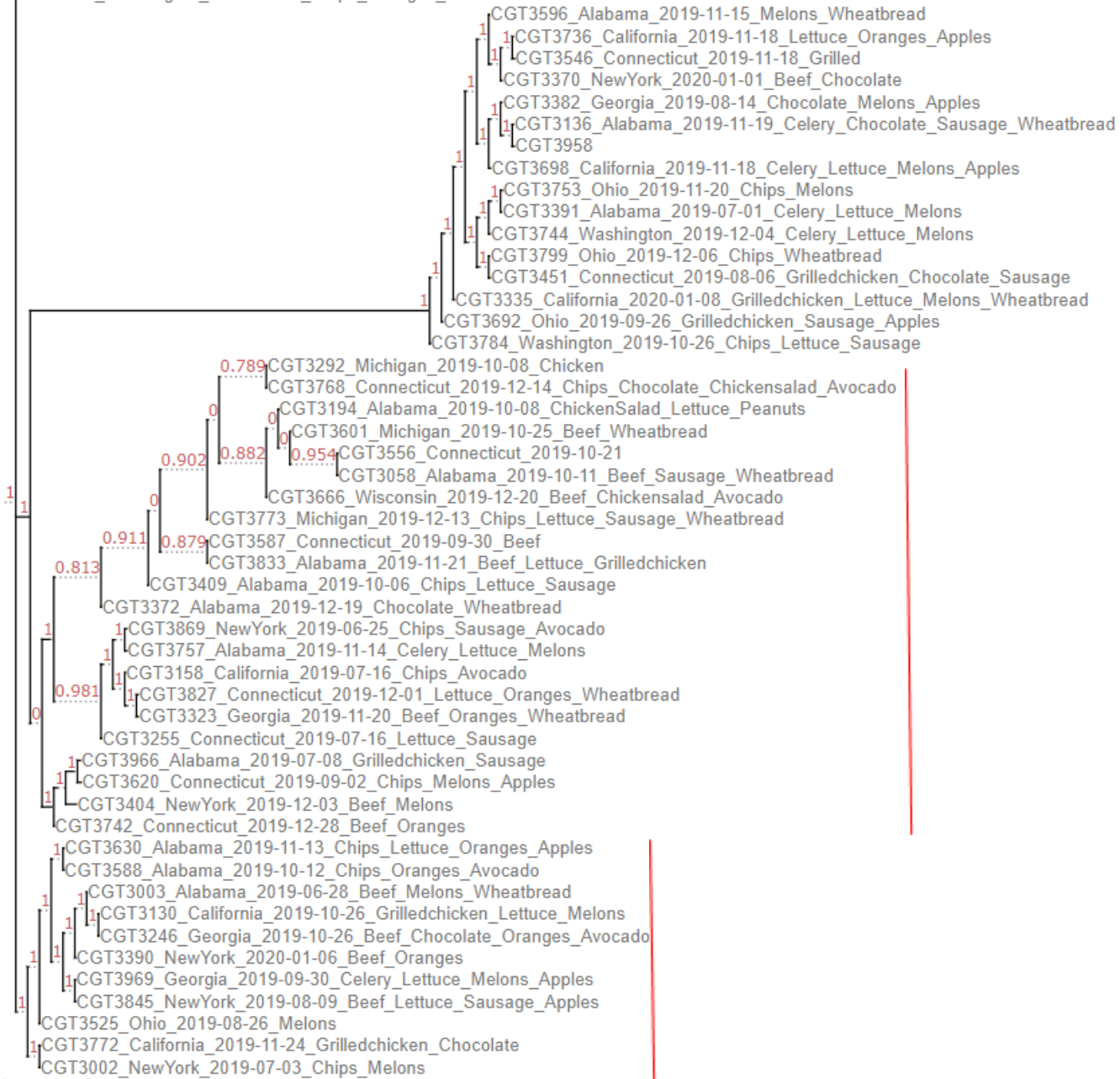
SNP-based Typing

kSNP	Output	Best k
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• input• k-mer• less memory	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• lower resolution• clustering	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• 19• 99.74%

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(base) [yzhang3466@biogenome2020 SNP]$ cat Kchooser.report
Initial value of k is 13.
When k is 13 0.872395562926884 of the kmers from the median length sequence are unique.
When k is 15 0.981747630863476 of the kmers from the median length sequence are unique.
When k is 17 0.995887747660249 of the kmers from the median length sequence are unique.
The optimum value of K is 19.
When k is 19 0.997407662620663 of the kmers from the median length sequence are unique.

There were 50 genomes.
The median length genome was 2886883 bases.
The time used was 641 seconds

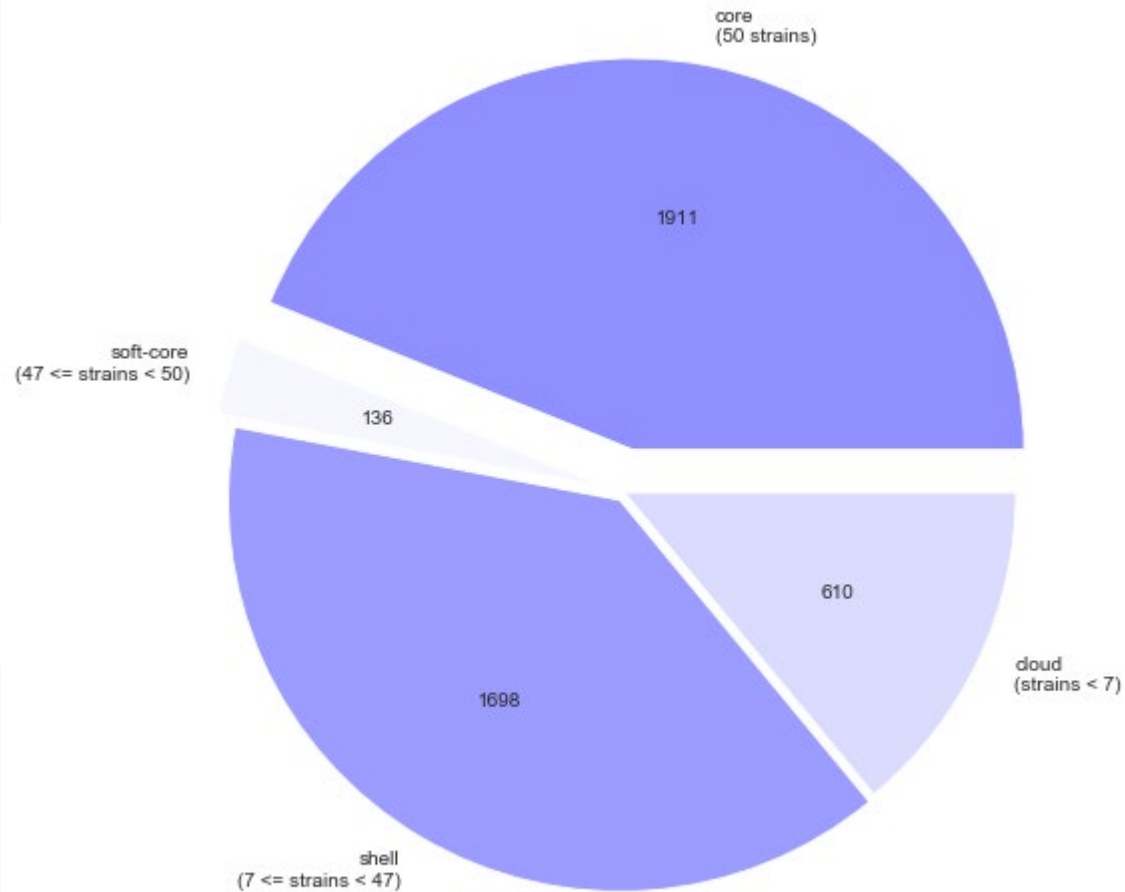
From a sample of 997 unique kmers 594 are core kmers.
0.595787362086259 of the kmers are present in all genomes.
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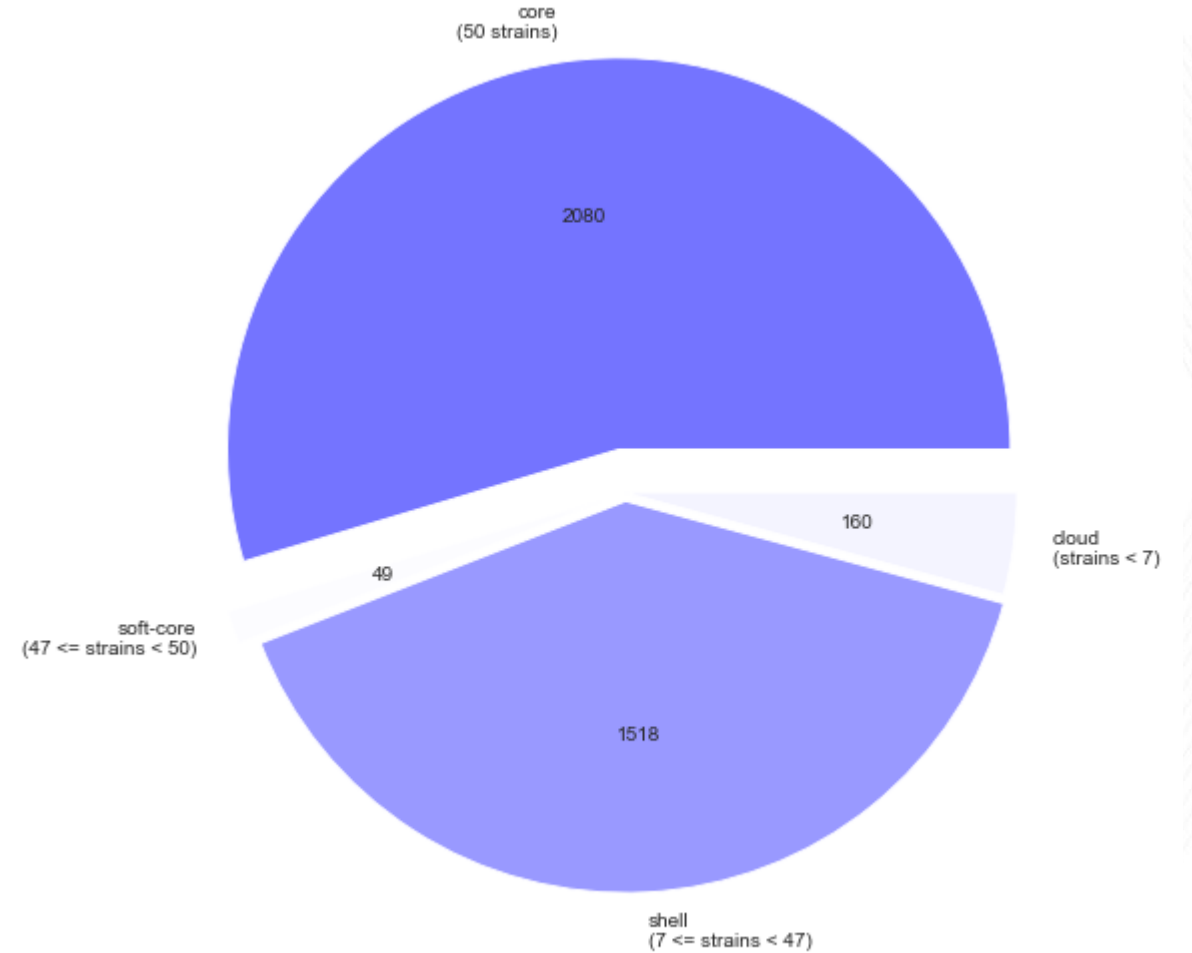
Maximum Parsimony Tree

- Highest accuracy
- Fewest evolutionary change
- Fail to take into account many factors of sequence evolution
- 3 clusters
- Exclude 1 isolate

Pan-genome analysis

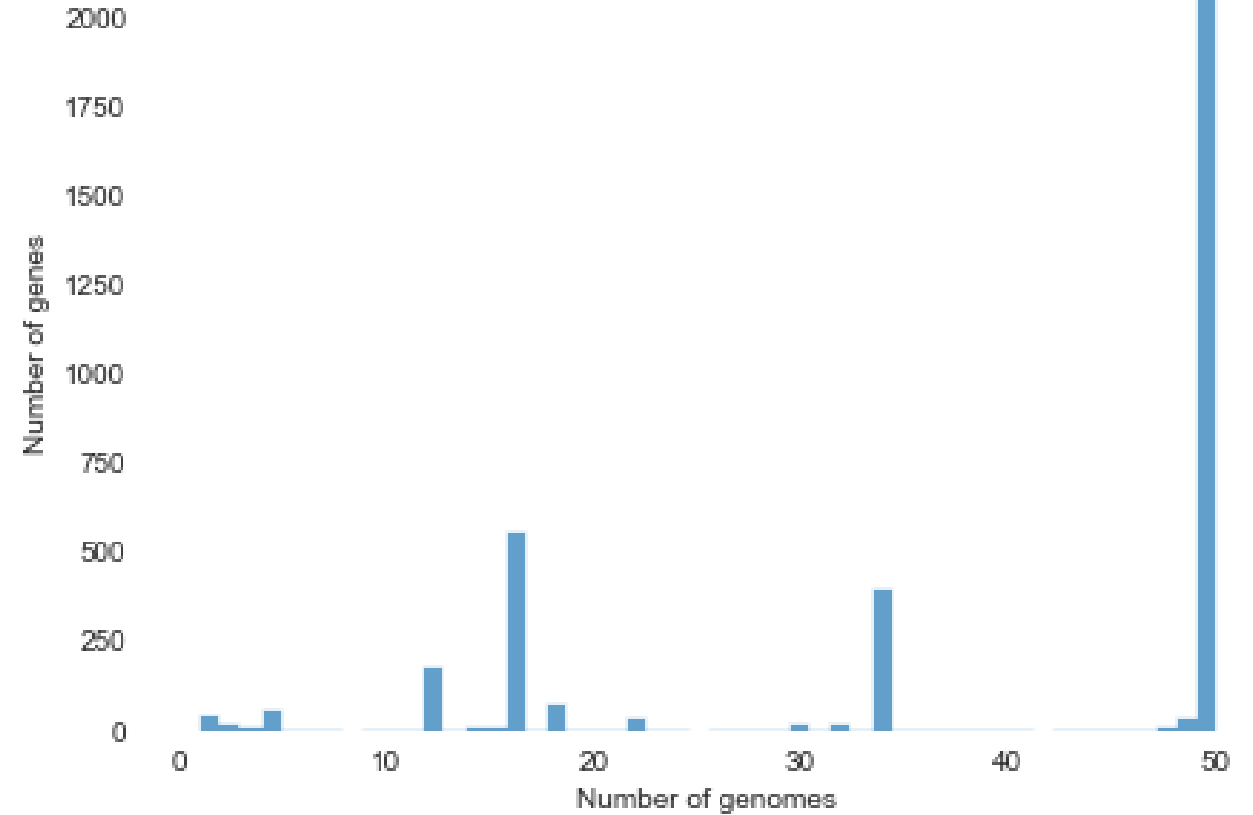
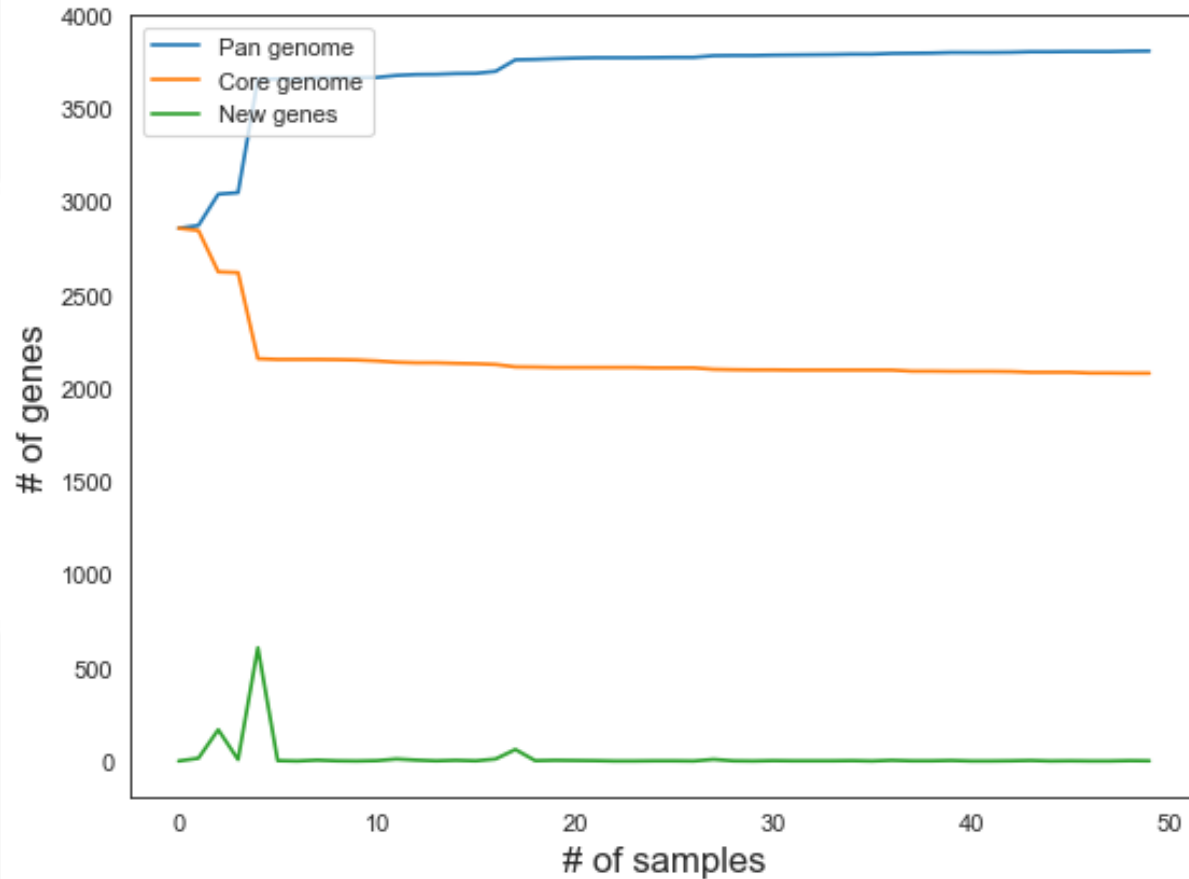


All genes



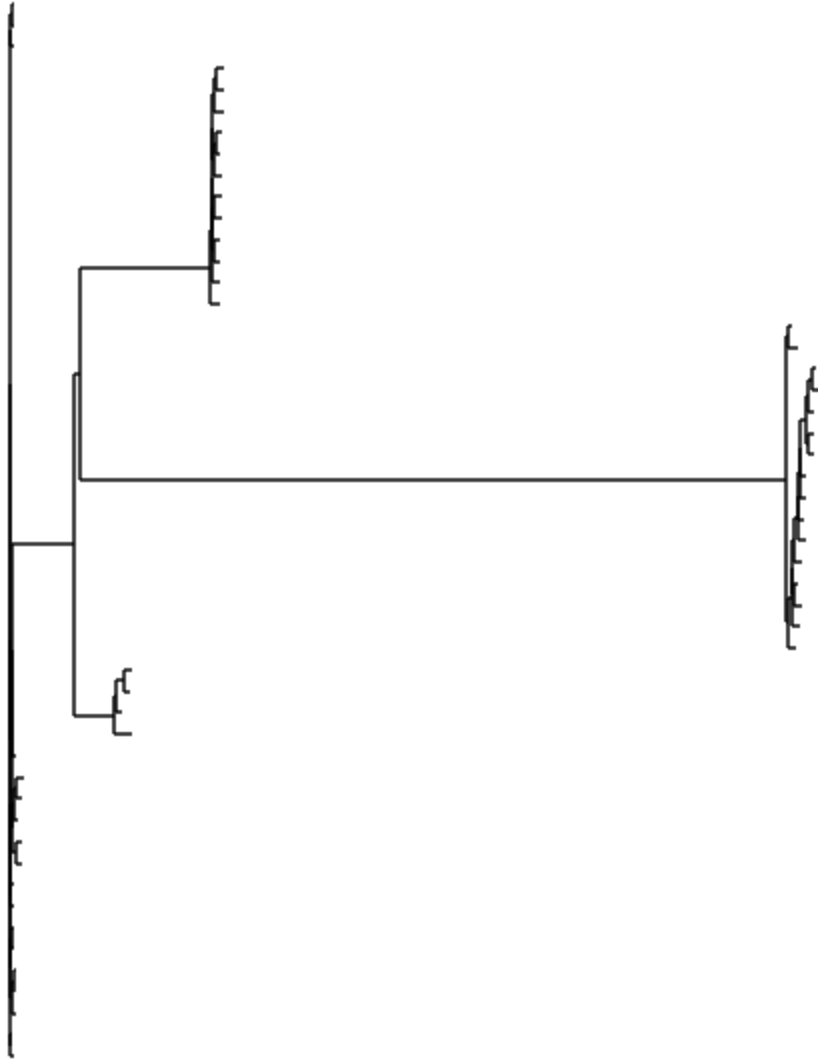
Coding genes

Pan-genome analysis

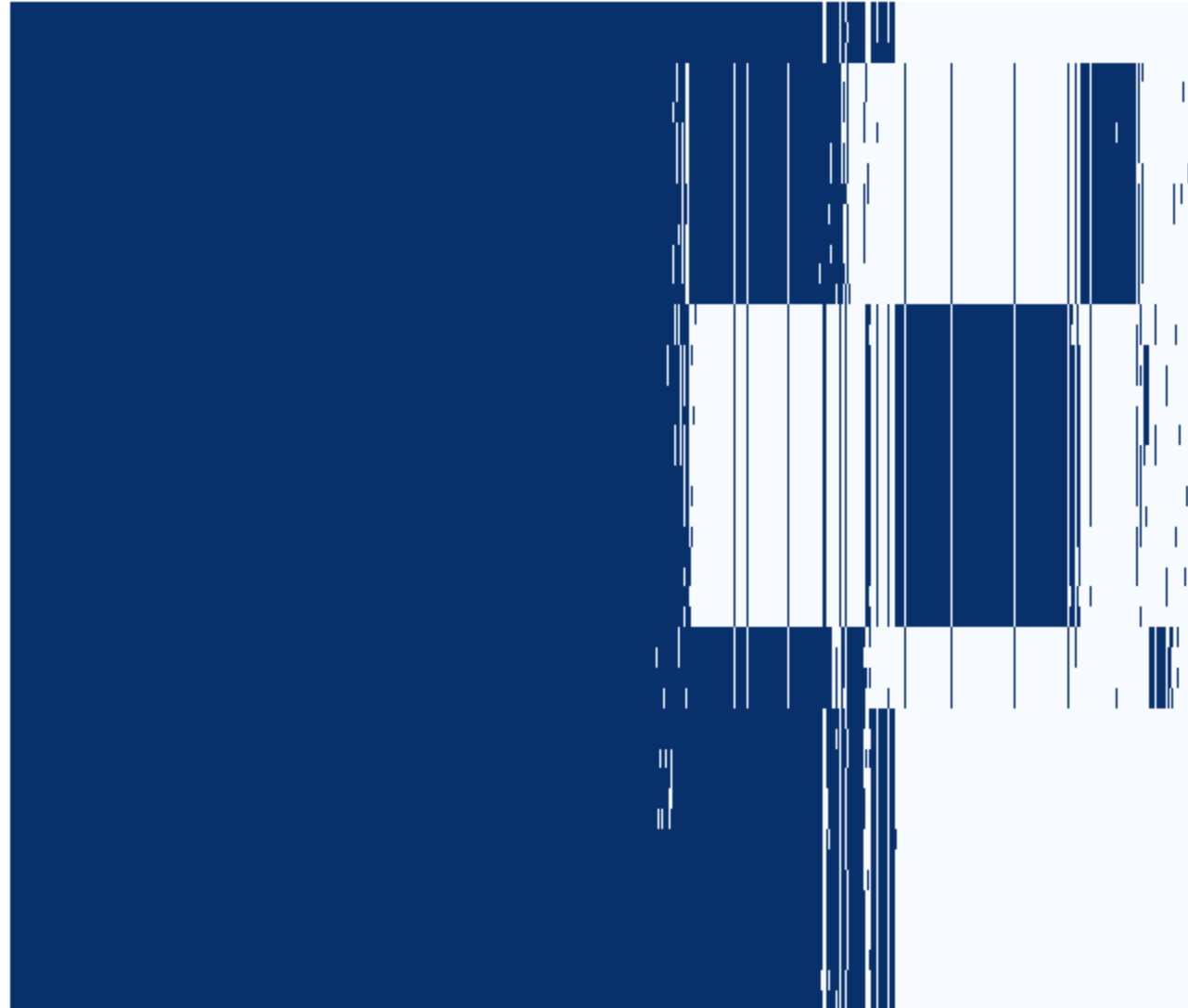


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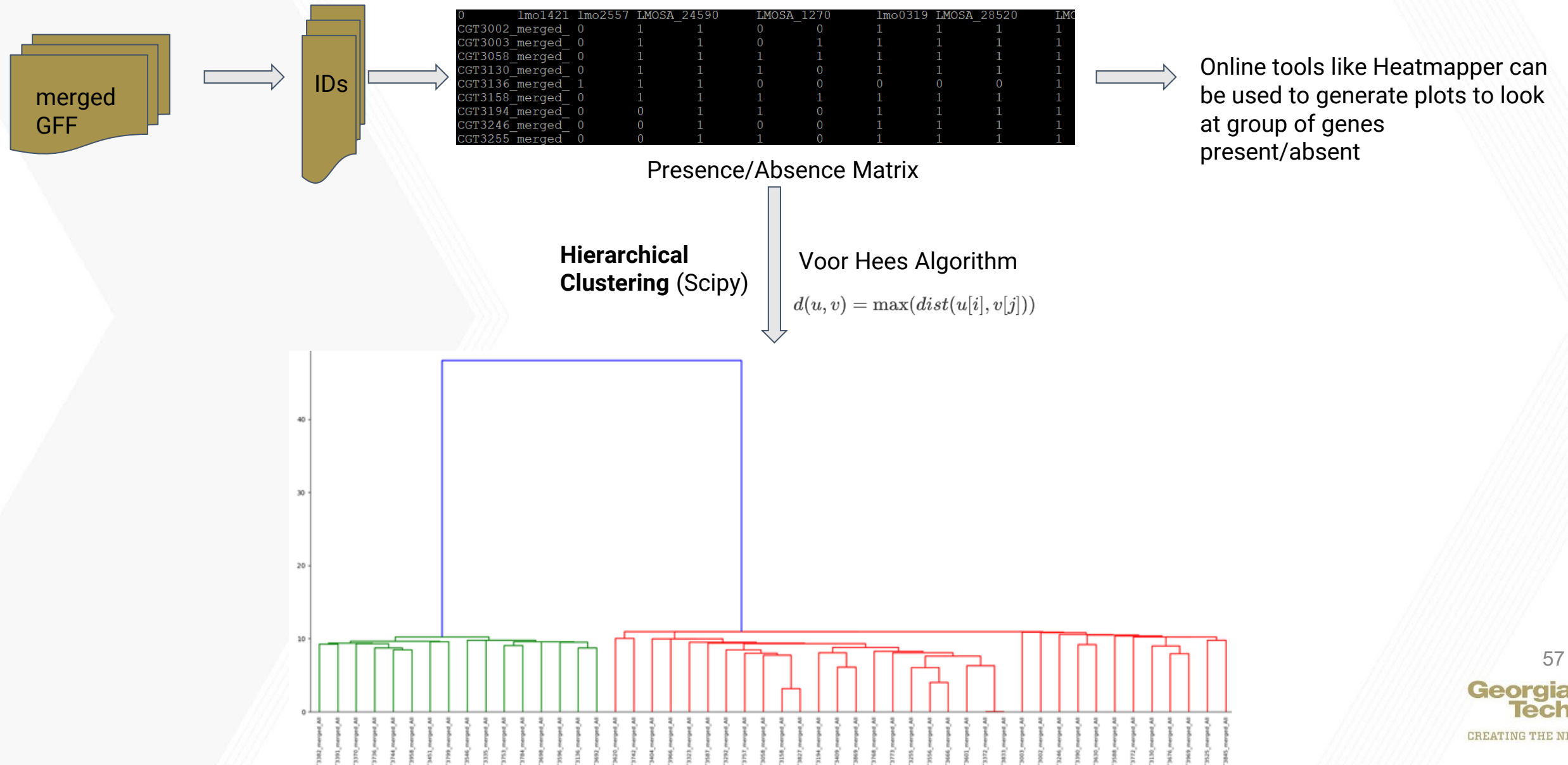
BPGA pan tree
(50 strains)



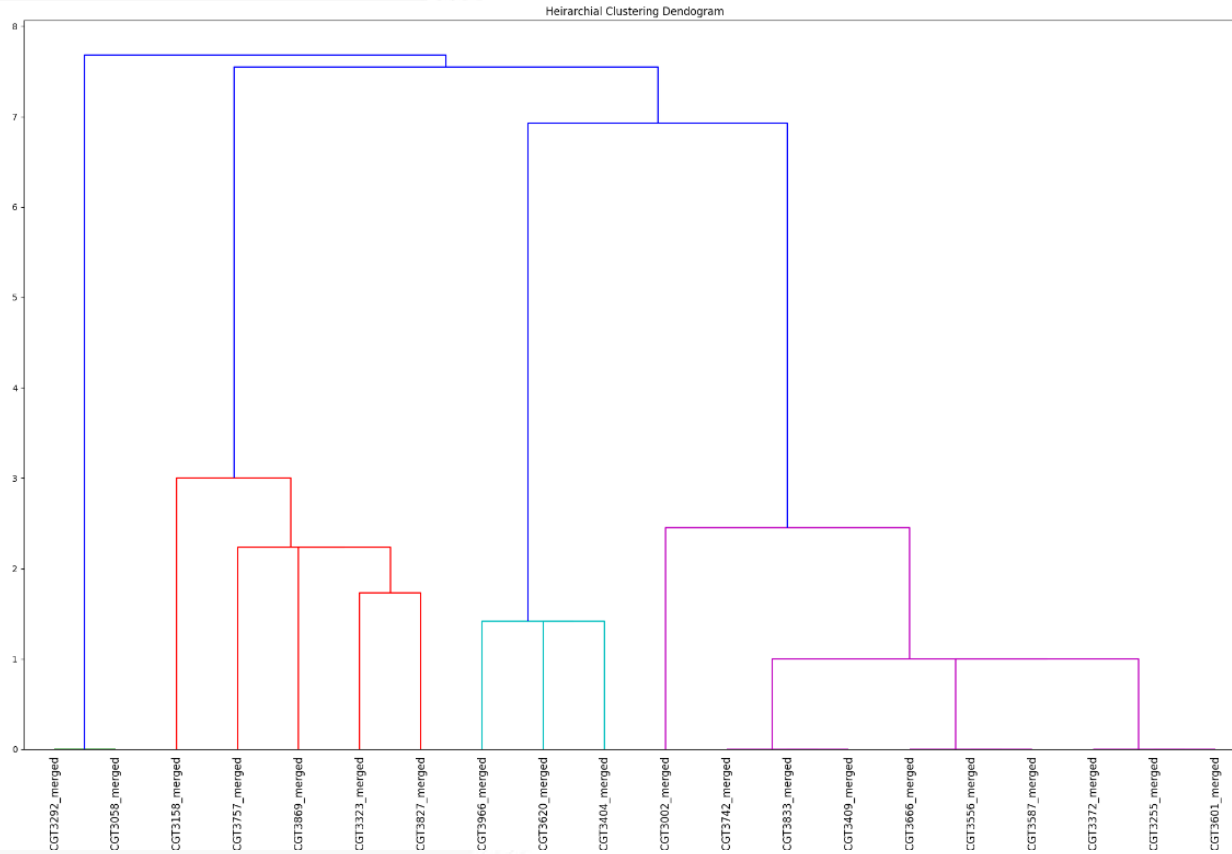
bpga matrix
(3808 gene clusters)



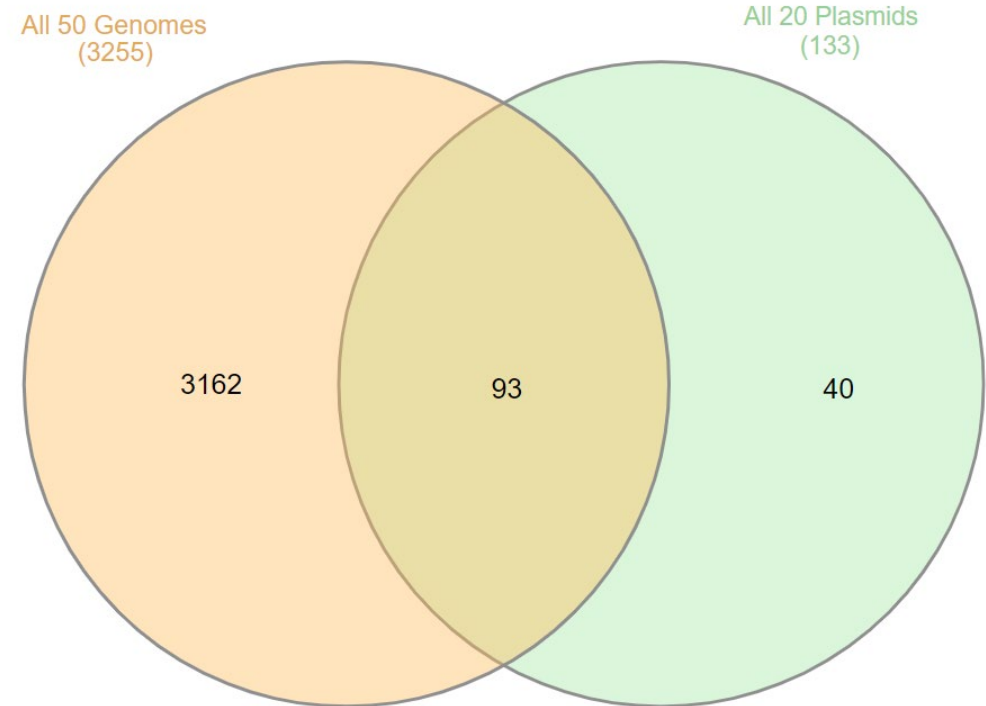
Information extraction from merge annotated data



GFF analysis of Plasmids

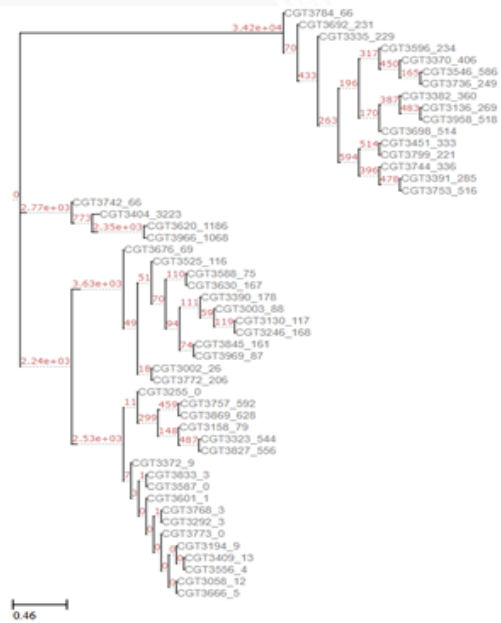


Hierarchical clustering of merged GFF files annotated on assembly files generated using plasmidSPades



Unique annotations uncovered in plasmid data

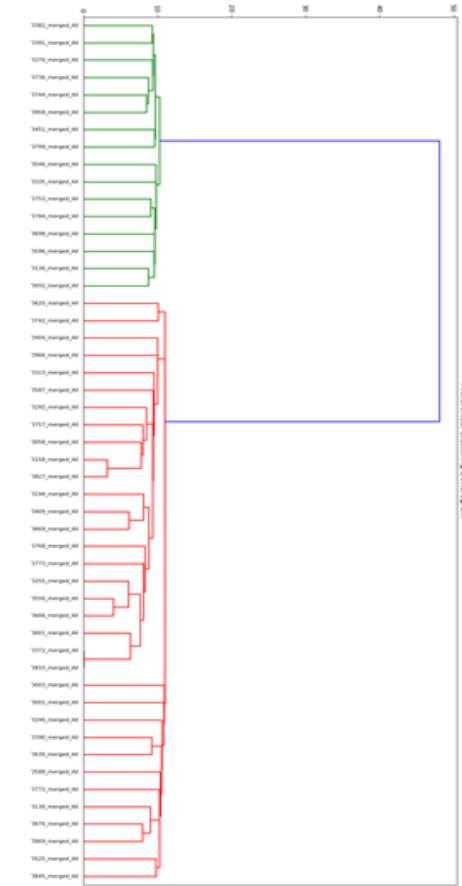
Correlation of clusters with different typing analysis



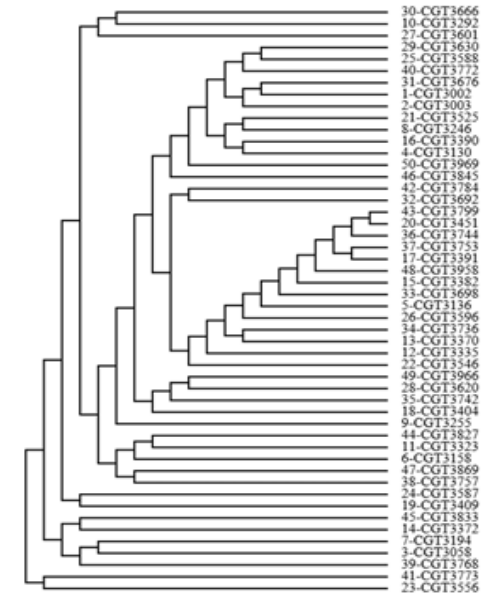
Tip Allele SNP ML Tree



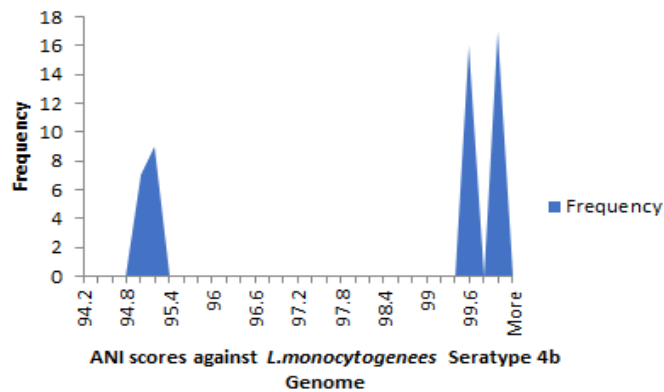
7gMLST



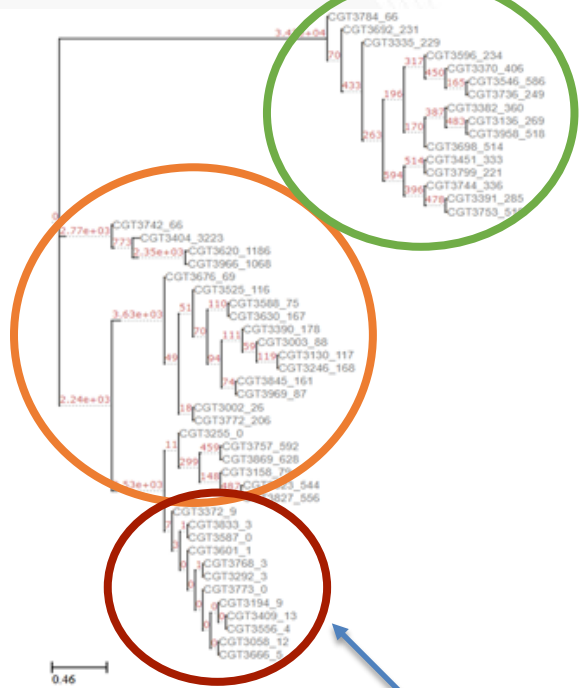
Hierarchical Clustering from merged annotations



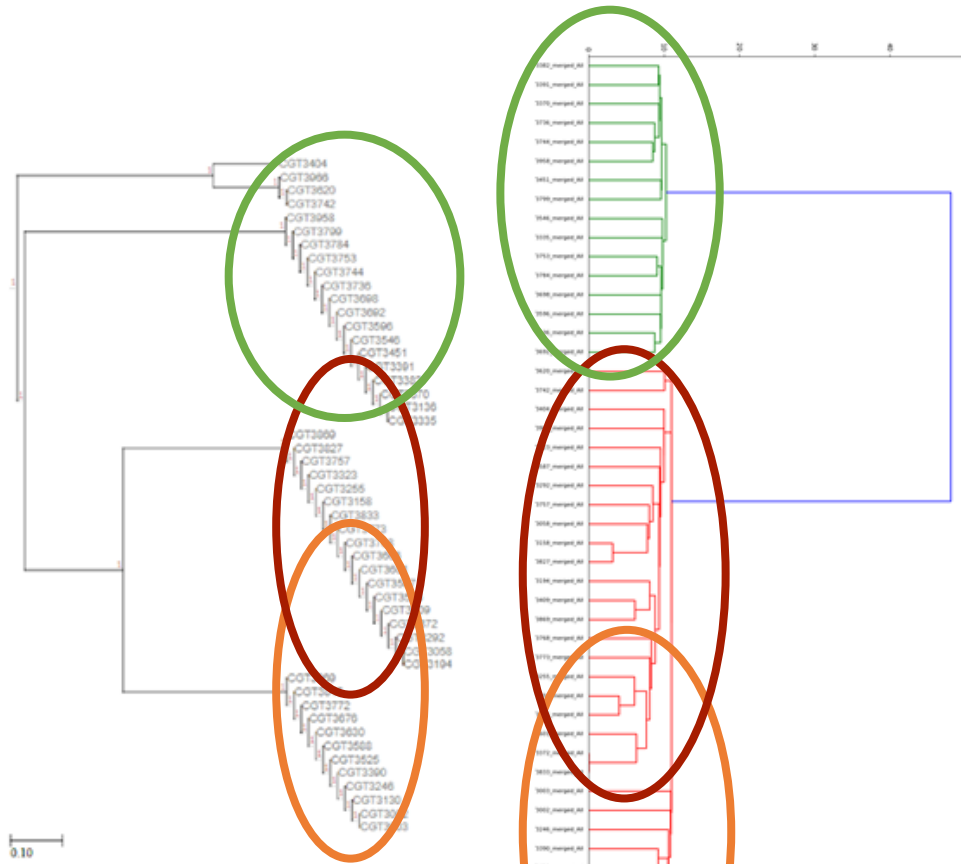
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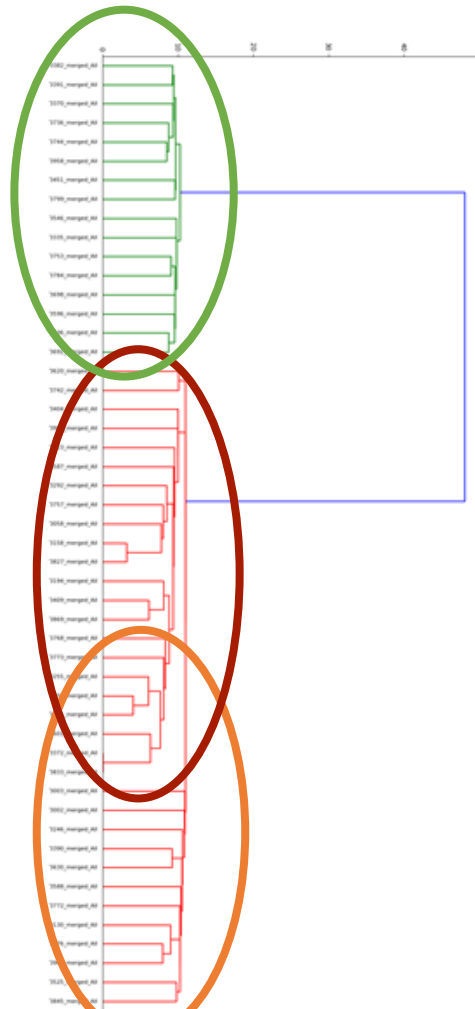
Correlation of clusters with different type of analysis



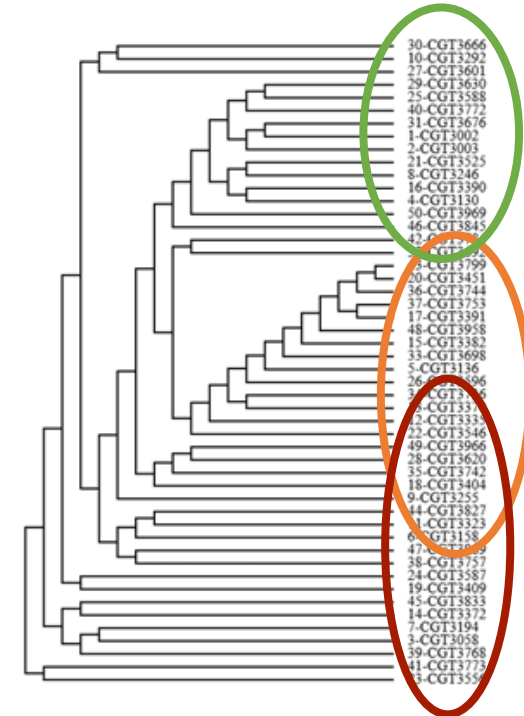
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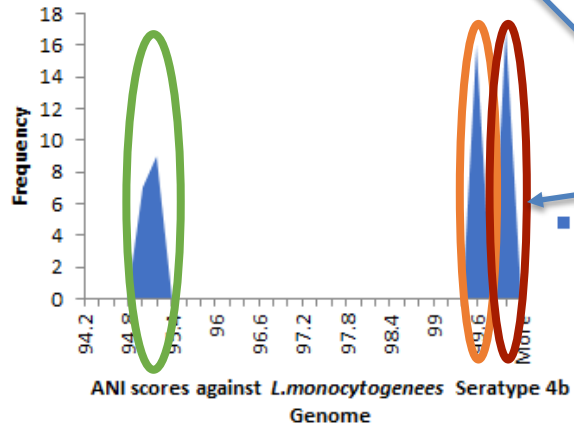
7gMLST



Hierarchical Clustering from merged annotations



BPGA Pan Genome Analysis



Least diversity suggests close association of source. It's the outbreak cluster

■ Cluster 1 - Outbreak ■ Cluster 2 - Similar to outbreak ■ Cluster 3 - Different than outbreak

Timeline and source of Outbreak



Distribution of outbreak and sporadic clusters at the **beginning of the outbreak**



Distribution of outbreak and sporadic clusters at the **peak of the outbreak**

The outbreak source is from **Connecticut!**

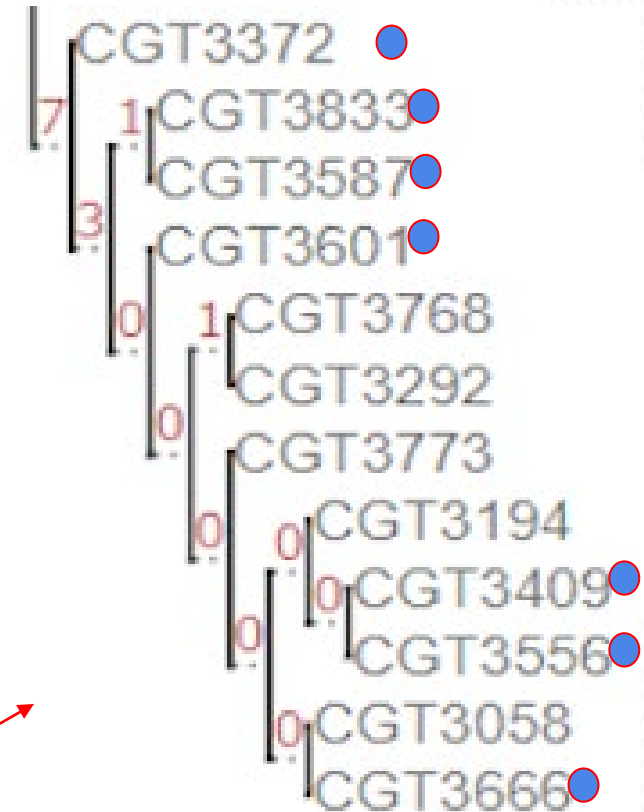
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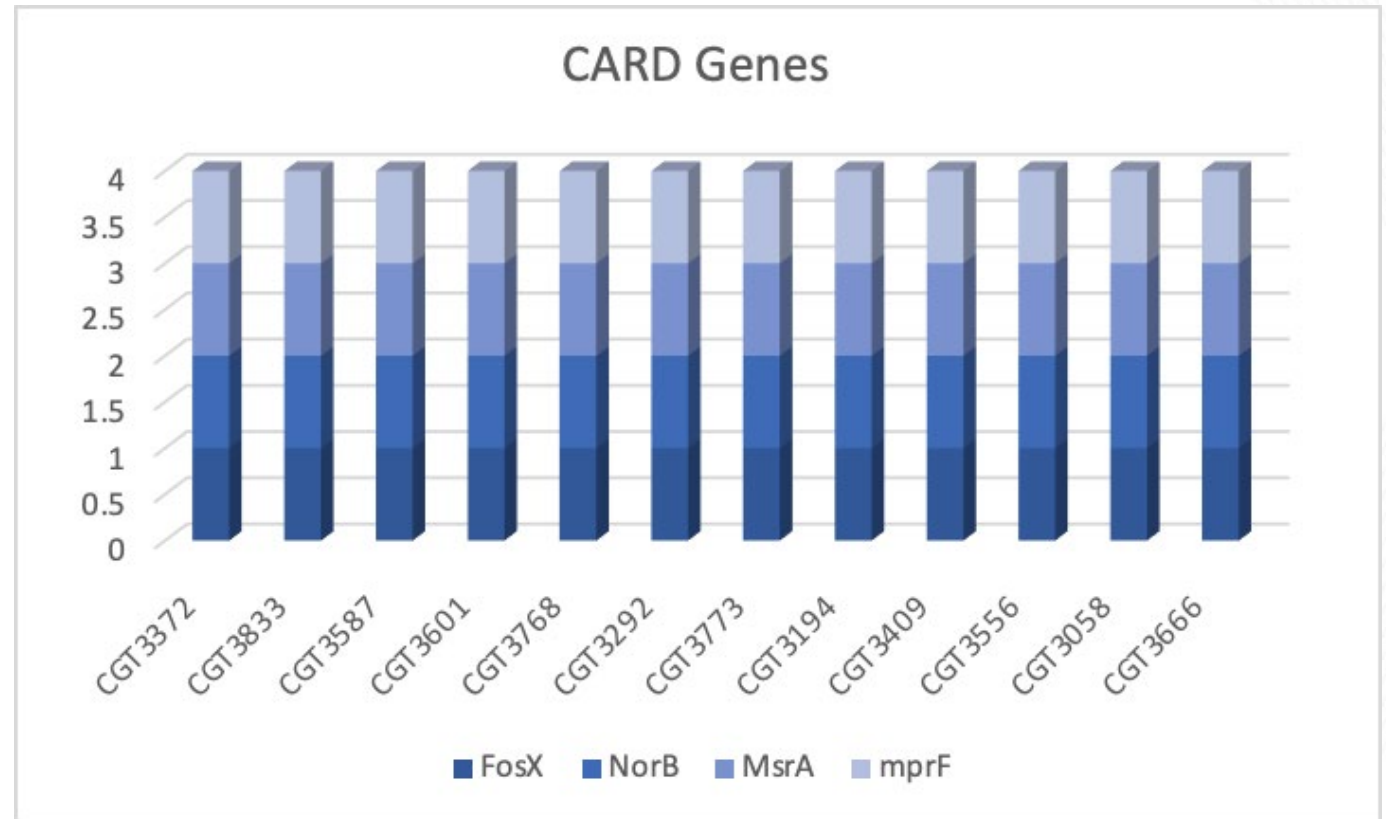
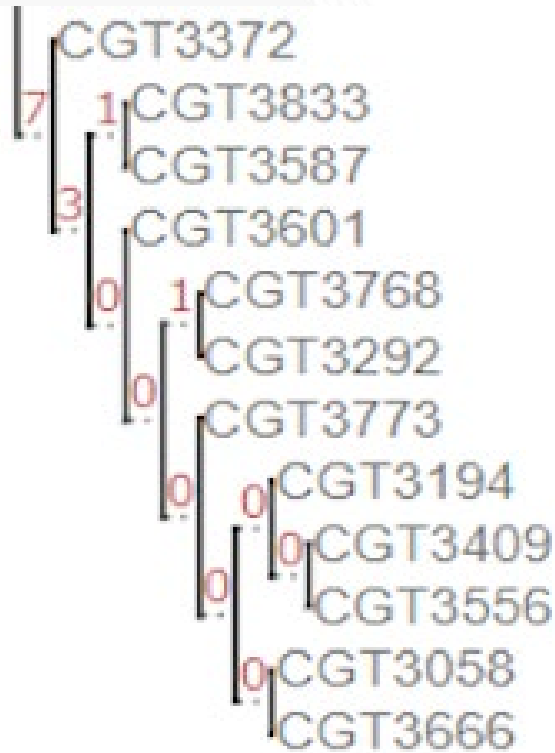
Outbreak Analysis - VFDB

- 35 common virulence factor genes - lapB, inlJ, oatA, hpt, prsA2, lspA, prfA, llsY, llsB, llsH, llsG, llsD, llsX, lpeA, plcA, plcB, actA, pdgA, vip, hly, inlF, inlA, inlB, inlC, clpE, inlP, mpl, clpP, inlK, iap/cwhA, fbpA, clpC, IntA, ami, lap, bsh
- 3 genes absent in outbreak group but present in other isolates- llsP, gtcA, aut
- plasmid analysis of VFDB gave lplA1 gene associated with plasmid.



Outbreak Analysis - CARD gff

Isolates with OUTBREAK strains --> Antibiotic resistance genes based on GFF from functional annotation team



Antibiotic resistance

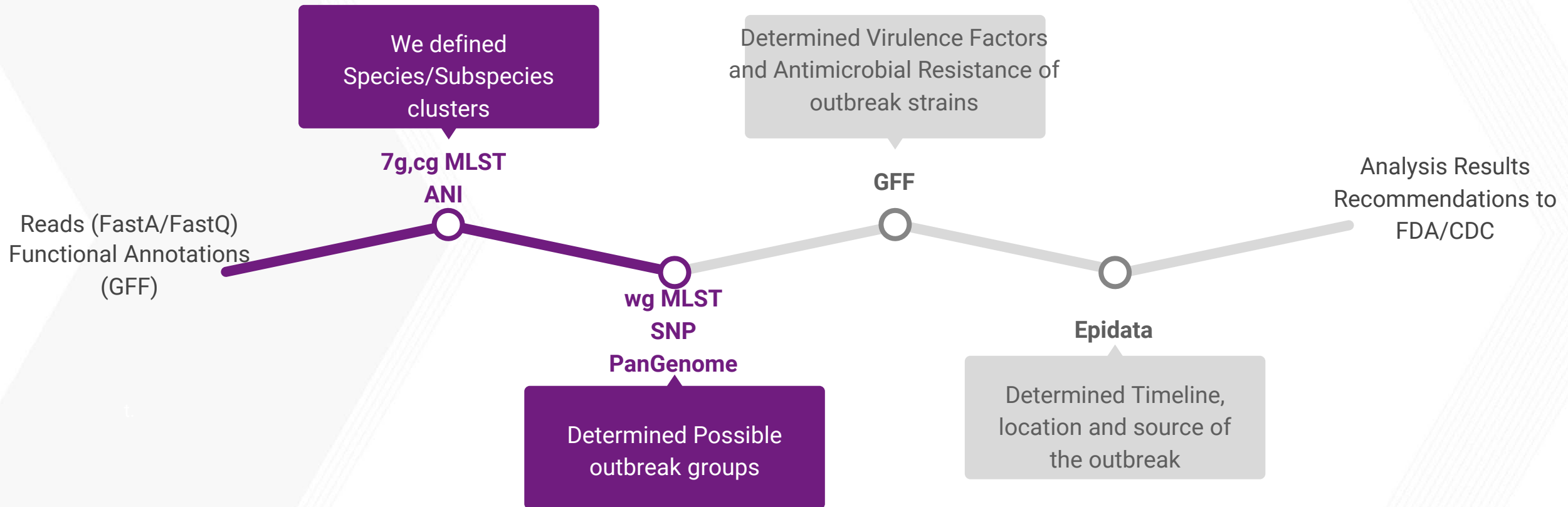
Database	Gene	Present on	Drug resistance	Resistance mechanism	AMR gene family	Drug class
CARD	FosX	Chromosome	Fosfomycin	antibiotic inactivation	fosfomycin thiol transferase	fosfomycin
CARD	msrA	plasmid or chromosome	Erythromycin and streptogramin B	antibiotic target protection	ABC-F ATP-binding cassette ribosomal protection protein	streptogramin antibiotic, tetracycline antibiotic, pleuromutilin antibiotic, macrolide antibiotic, oxazolidinone antibiotic, lincosamide antibiotic, phenicol antibiotic
CARD	norB	chromosome	fluoroquinolones and other structurally unrelated antibiotics like tetracycline.	antibiotic efflux	major facilitator superfamily (MFS) antibiotic efflux pump	fluoroquinolone antibiotic
CARD	Listeria monocytogenes mprF	chromosome	defensin resistance	antibiotic target alteration	defensin resistant mprF	peptide antibiotic

Recommendation for Antibiotic

Listeriosis treatment using	Antibiotic	Recommendation
β -lactam antibiotic	ampicillin	YES
aminoglycoside	gentamicin [+ampicillin]	YES
β -lactam antibiotic	penicillin	YES
β -lactam antibiotic	amoxicillin [not used mostly]	NO
allergy to penicillin	trimethoprim - sulfamethoxazole	YES
allergy to penicillin	vancomycin, meropenem, or a macrolide [not widely used]	YES
alternative treatment	tetracycline	NO
alternative treatment	erythromycin	NO
alternative treatment	Fosfomicin	NO
alternative treatment	Fluoroquinolone	NO

*Cephalosporins, Chloramphenicol are not effective against *Listeria monocytogenes*.

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