

# Analysis of Personal Genomes: Multi-scale Element Annotation & Variant Prioritization

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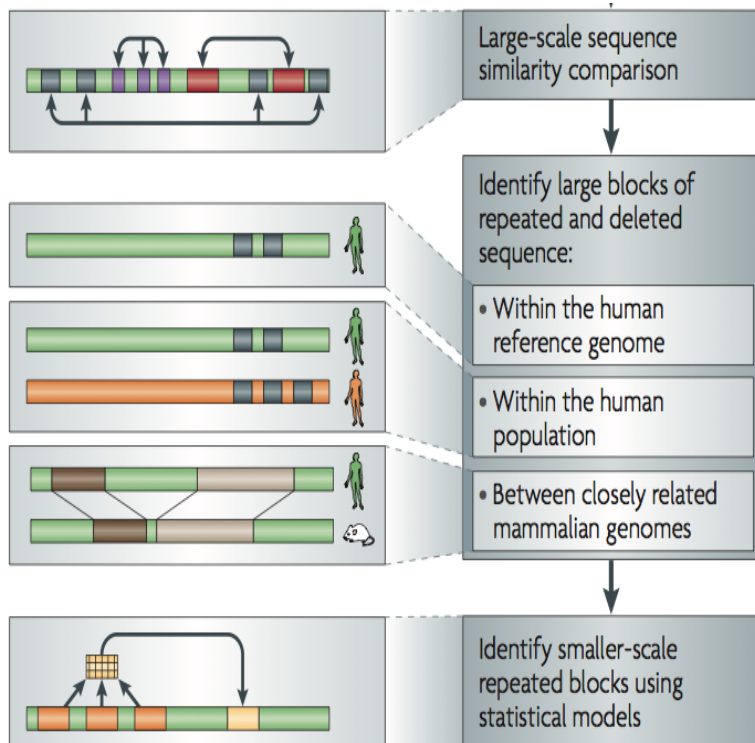
Where is Waldo?  
(Finding the key mutations in ~3M Germline variants &  
~5K Somatic Variants in a Tumor Sample)



# Non-coding Annotations: Overview

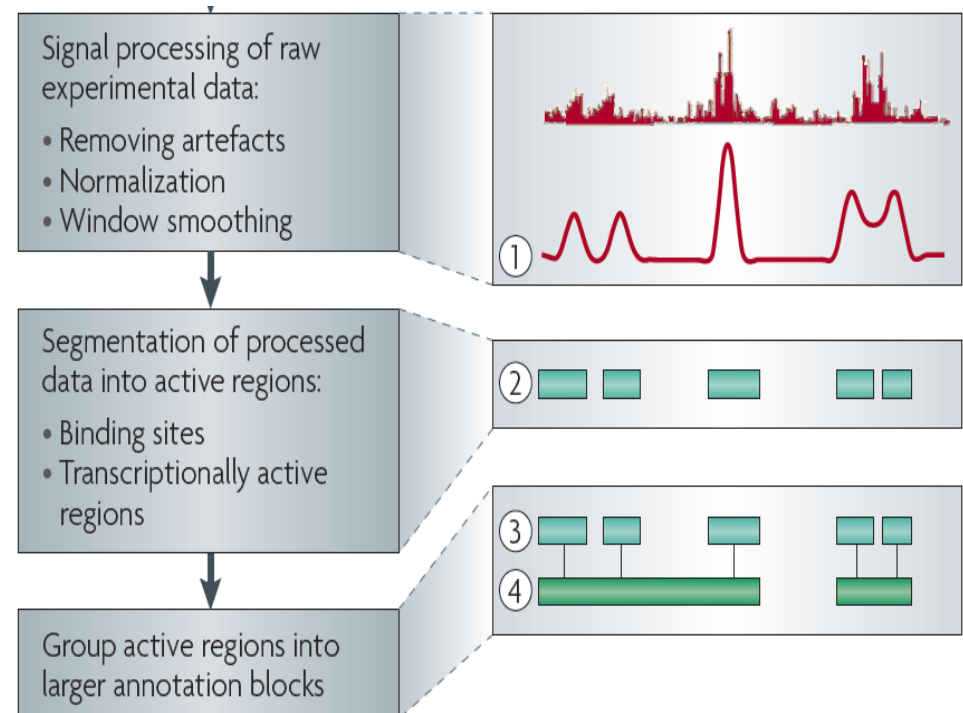
Features are often present on multiple "scale" (eg elements and connected networks)

## Sequence features, incl. Conservation



## Functional Genomics

Chip-seq (Epigenome & seq. specific TF)  
and ncRNA & un-annotated transcription



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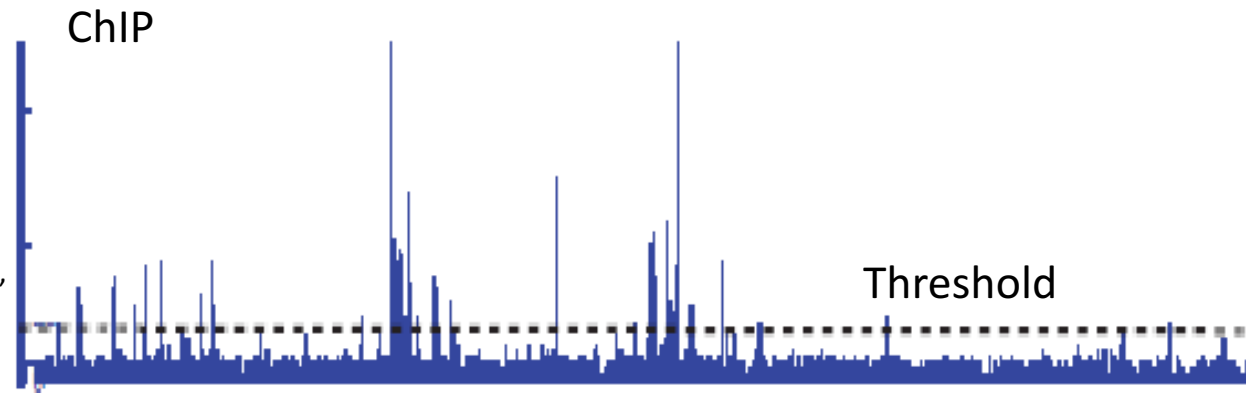


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# Summarizing the Signal: "Traditional" ChipSeq Peak Calling

- Generate & threshold the signal profile to identify candidate target regions
  - Simulation (PeakSeq),
  - Local window based Poisson (MACS),
  - Fold change statistics (SPP)



Potential Targets



- Score against the control



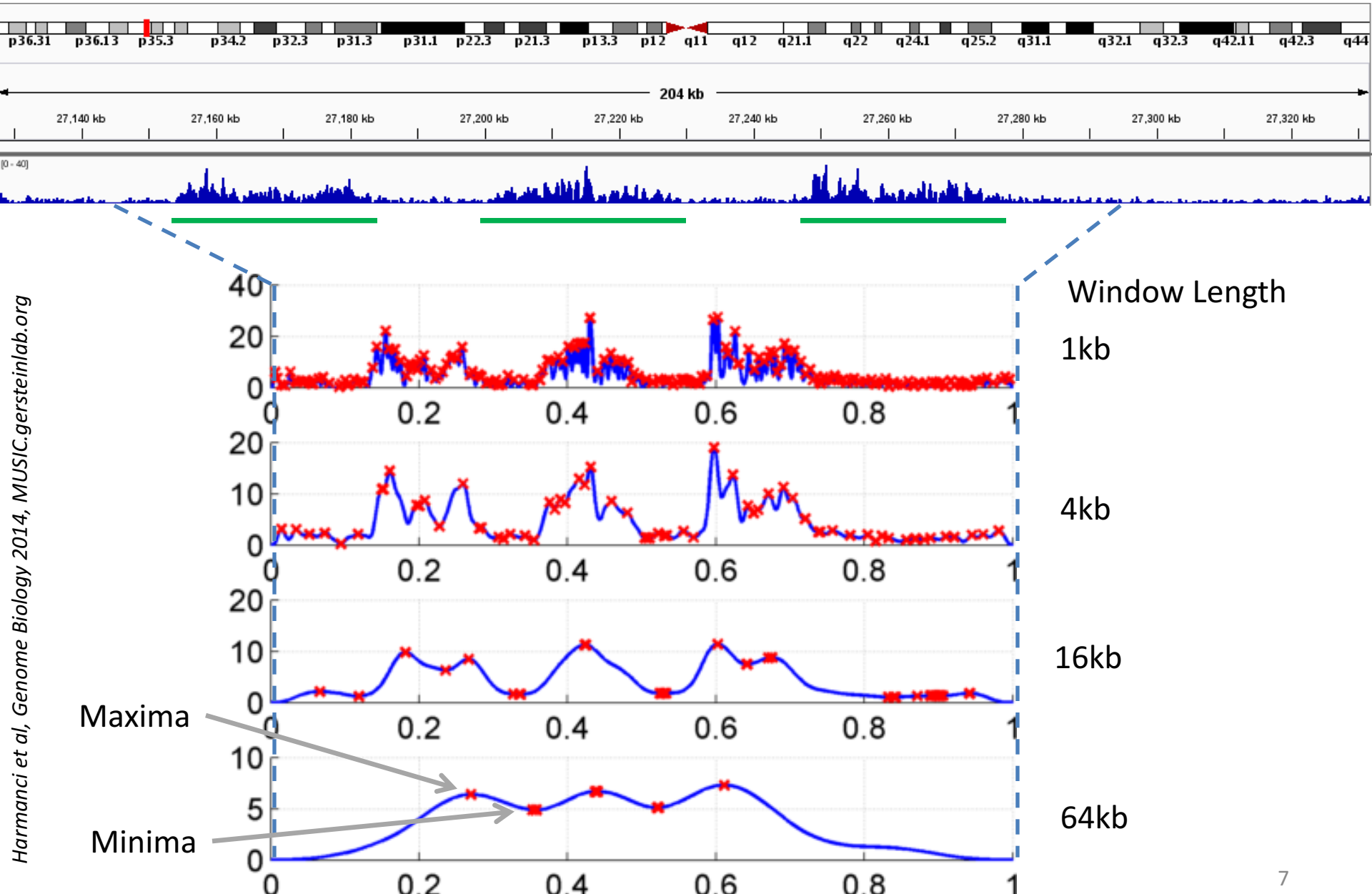
Significantly Enriched targets



Now an update: "PeakSeq 2" => MUSIC

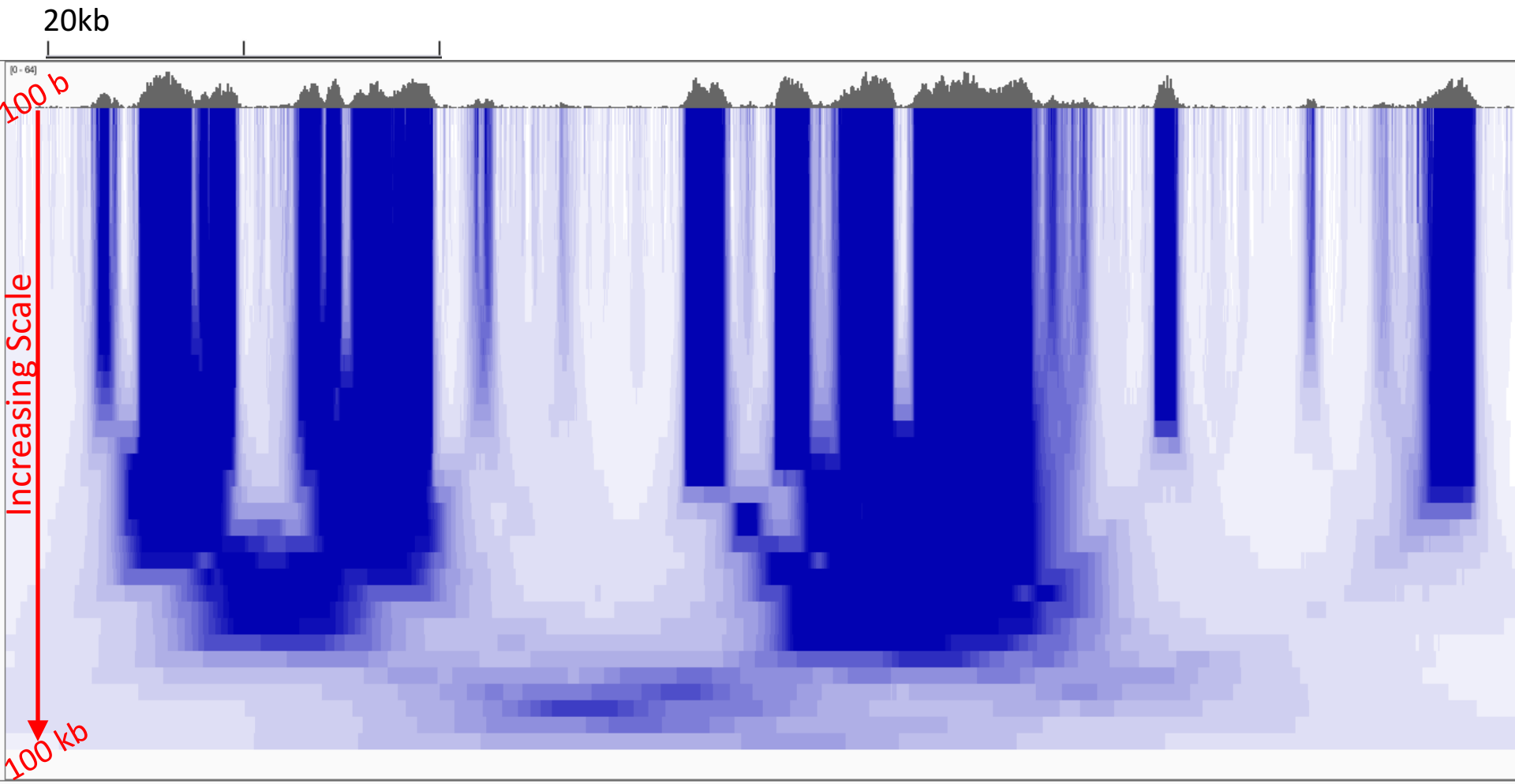


# Multiscale Analysis, Minima/Maxima based Coarse Segmentation



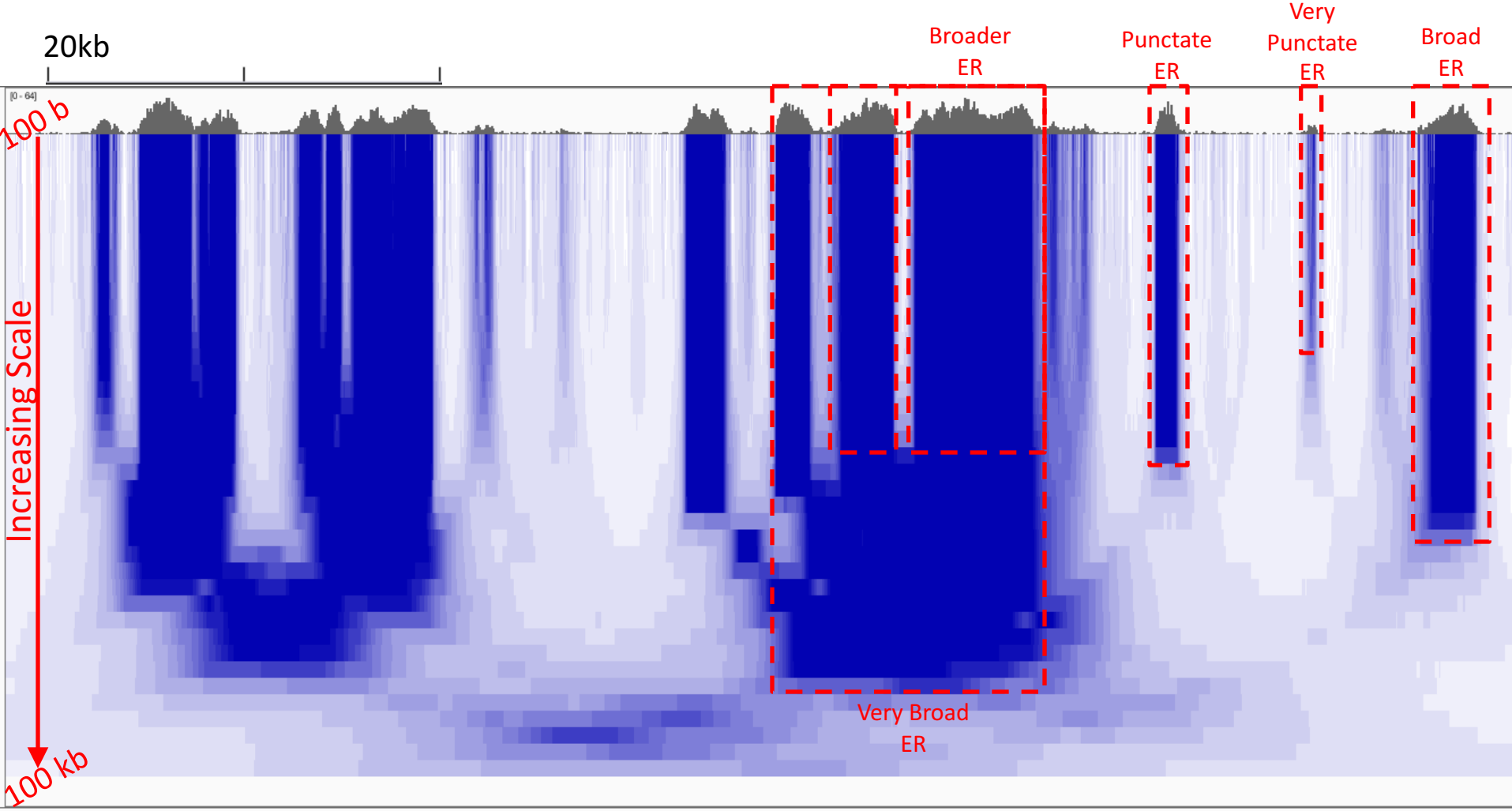
Harmanci et al, Genome Biology 2014, MUSIC.gersteinlab.org

# Multiscale Decomposition



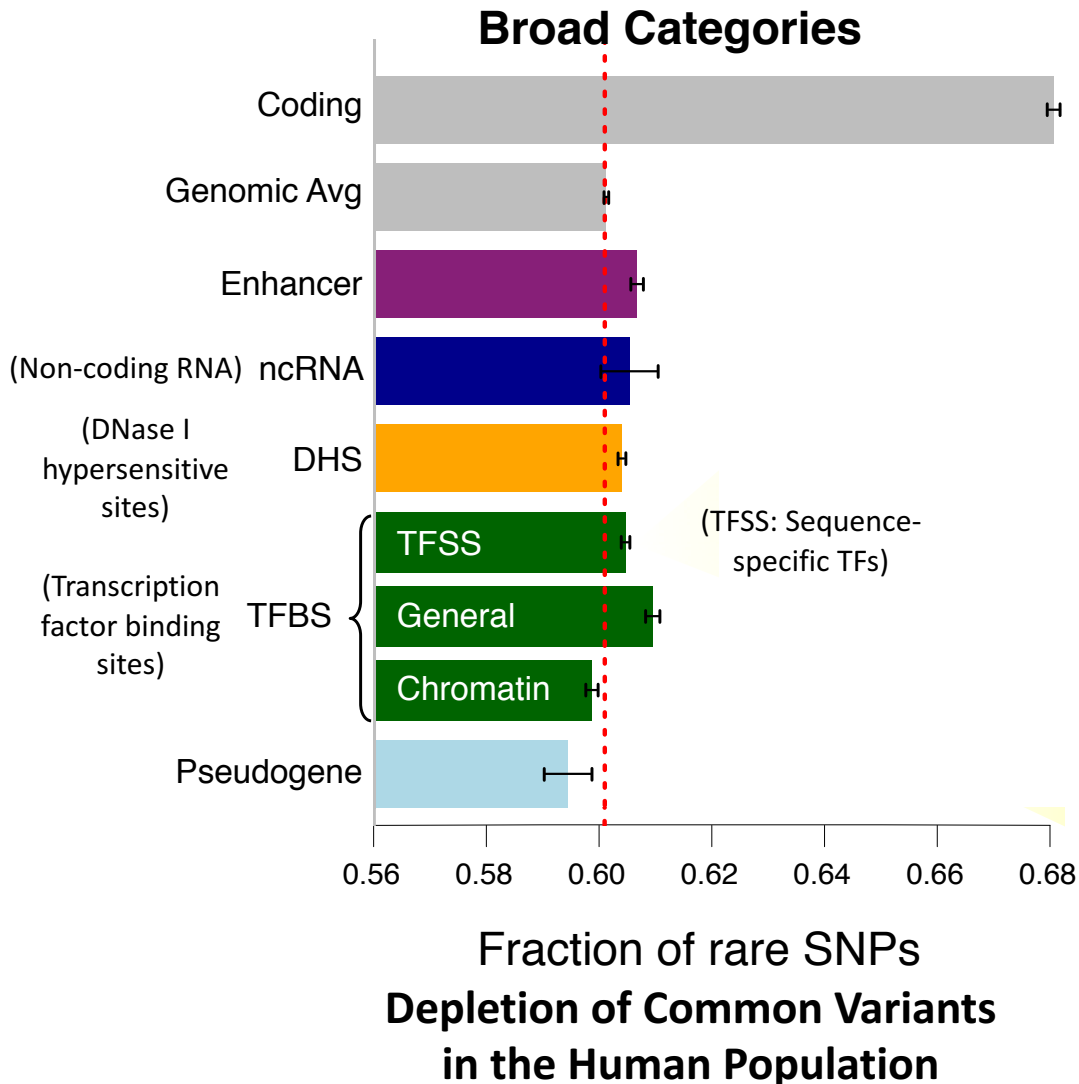


# Multiscale Decomposition



# Finding "Conserved" Sites in the Human Population:

Negative selection in non-coding elements based on  
Production ENCODE & 1000G Phase 1



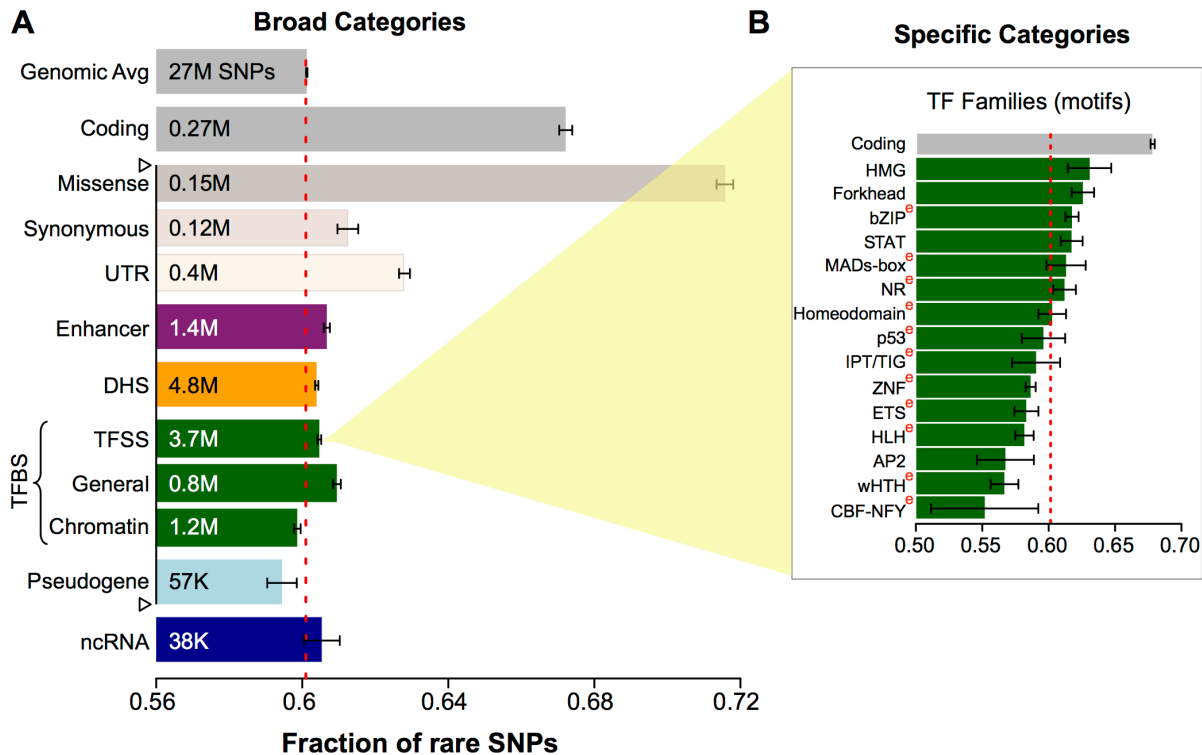
- Broad categories of regulatory regions under negative selection

- Related to:

ENCODE, *Nature*, 2012  
Ward & Kellis, *Science*, 2012  
Mu et al, *NAR*, 2011

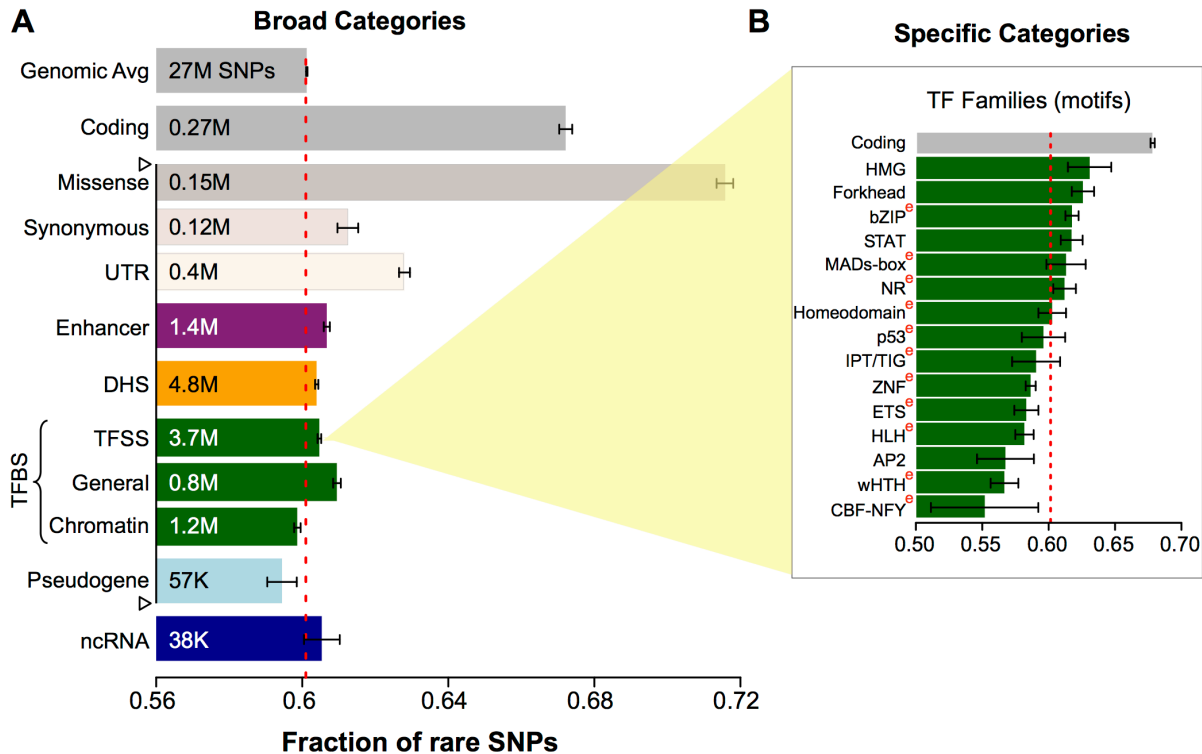
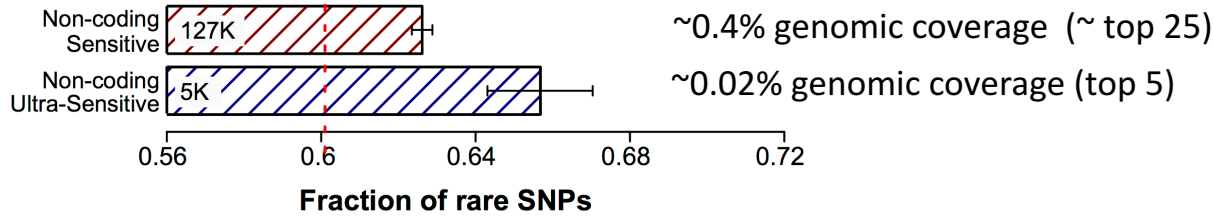


# Differential selective constraints among specific sub-categories



Sub-categorization possible because of better statistics from 1000G phase 1 v pilot

# Defining Sensitive non-coding Regions



Start **677** high-resolution non-coding categories; Rank & find those under strongest selection

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# 3D organization of genome



"We finished the genome map, now we can't figure out how to fold it."

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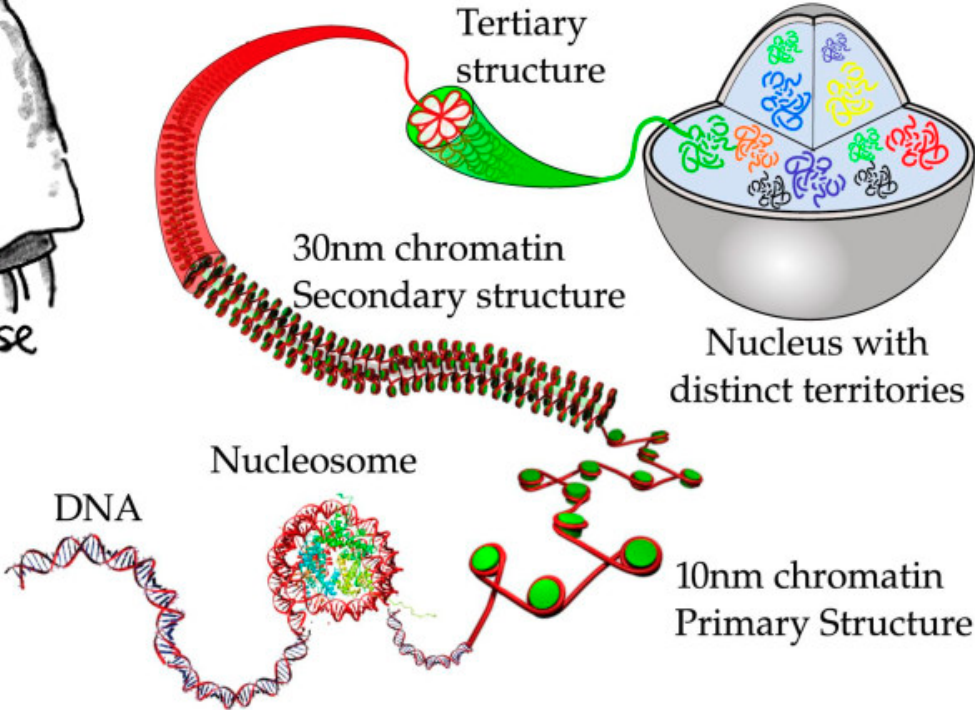
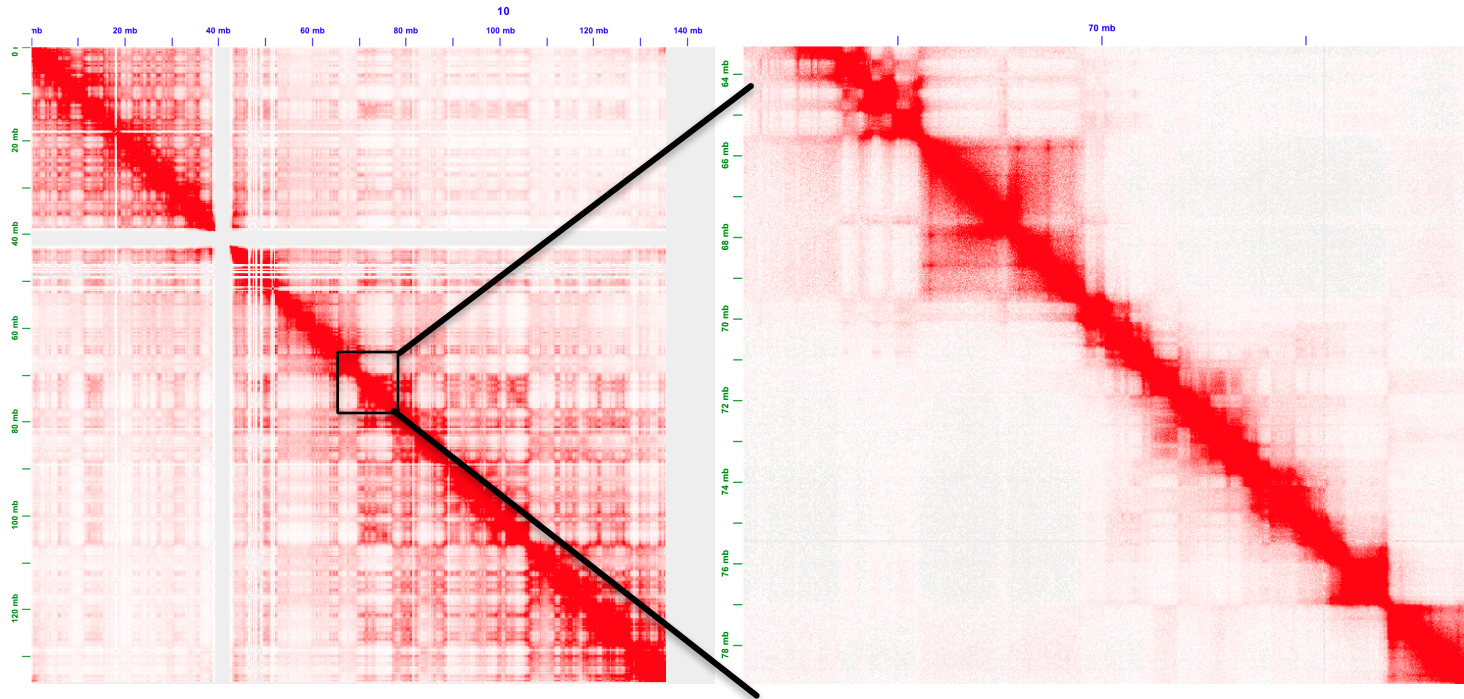


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# Topologically associating domains (TADs)

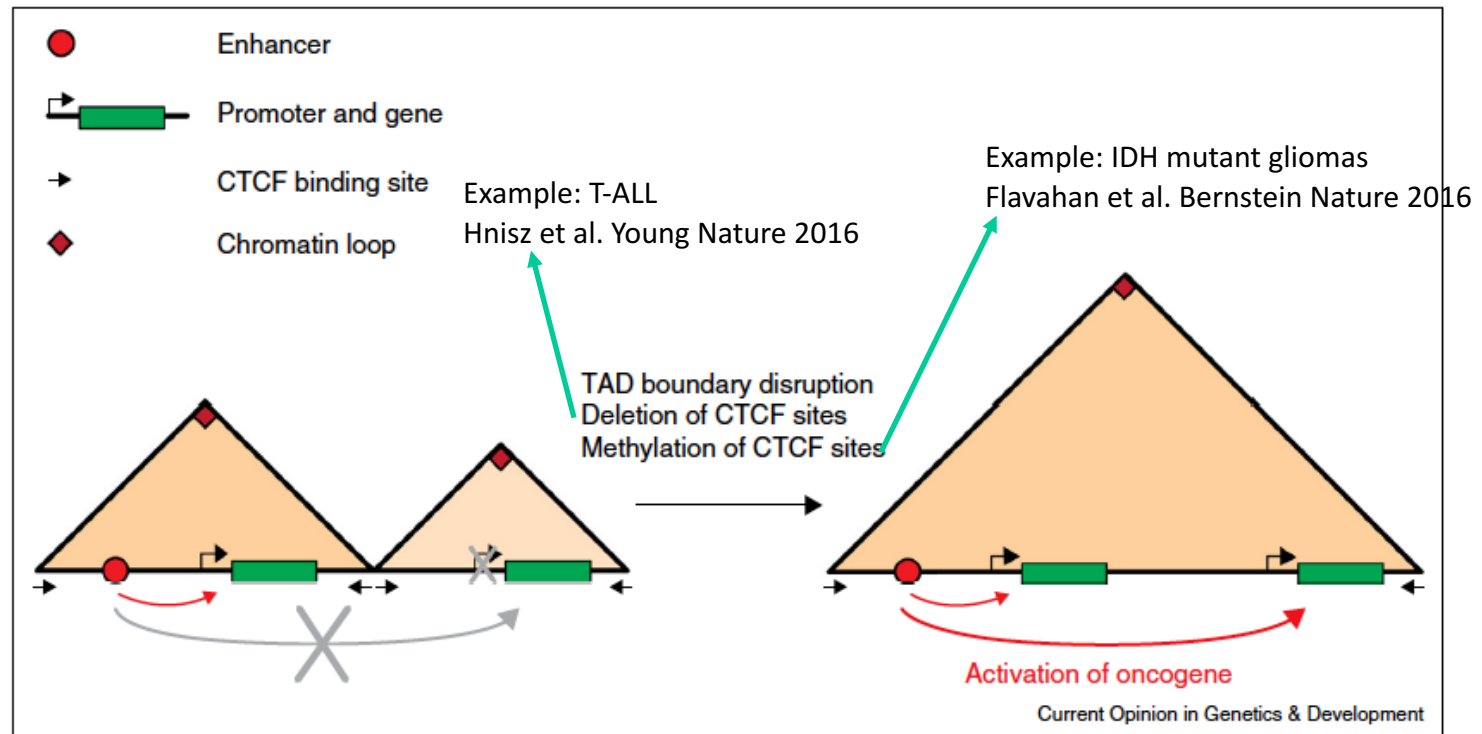


TADs have apparent hierarchical organization

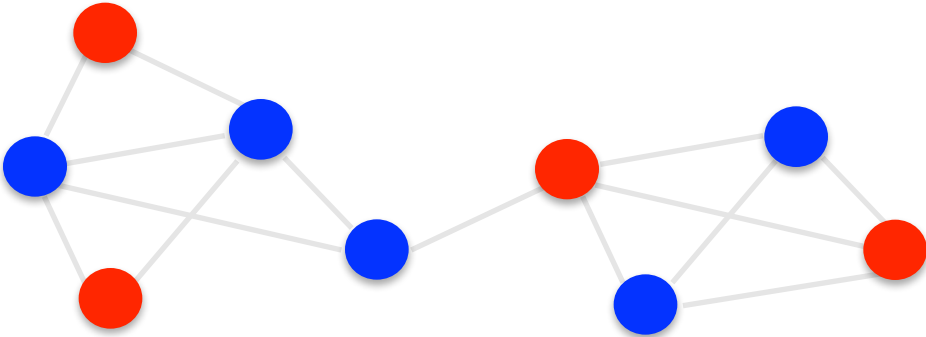




# Local TAD boundary disruption activates oncogene



# Network modularity

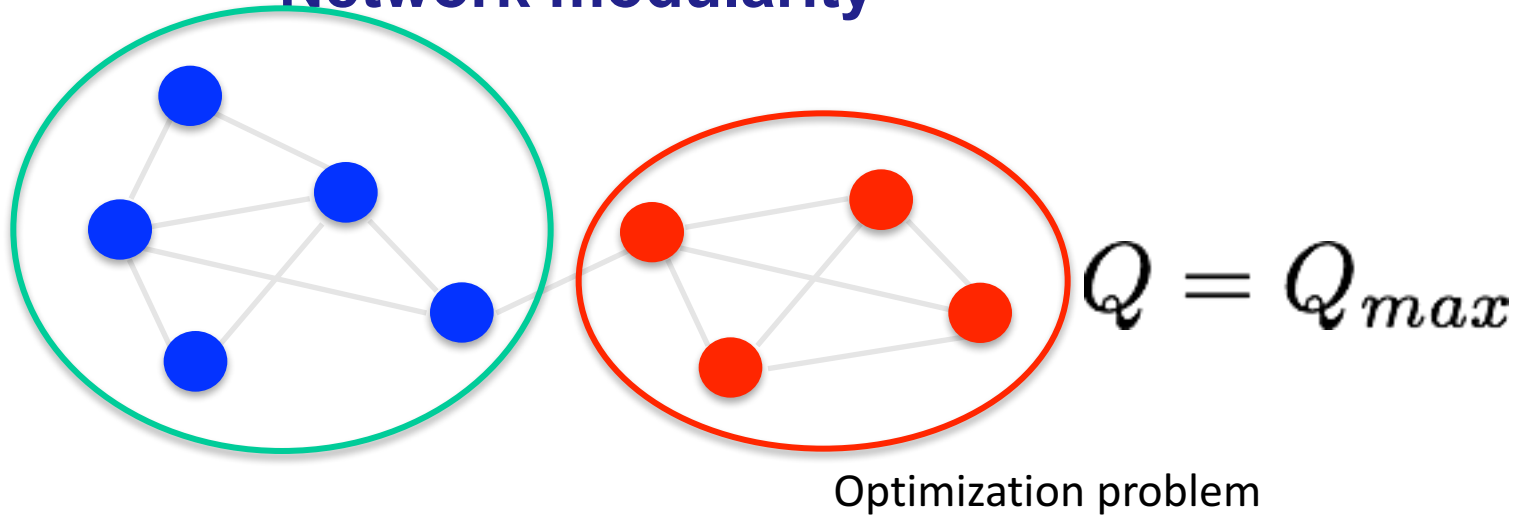


$$Q \approx 0$$

$$Q = \frac{1}{2m} \sum_{i,j} \left( W_{ij} - \frac{k_i k_j}{2m} \right) \delta_{\sigma_i \sigma_j}$$

adjacency matrix  $\rightarrow W_{ij}$   
 degree of  $i \rightarrow k_i$   
 number of edges  $\rightarrow 2m$   
 expected number of edges between  $i$  and  $j \rightarrow \frac{k_i k_j}{2m}$   
 $\delta_{\sigma_i \sigma_j}$  whether or not  $i, j$  are in the same module

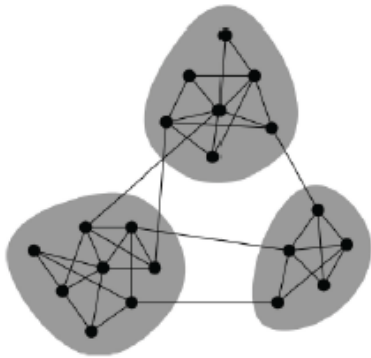
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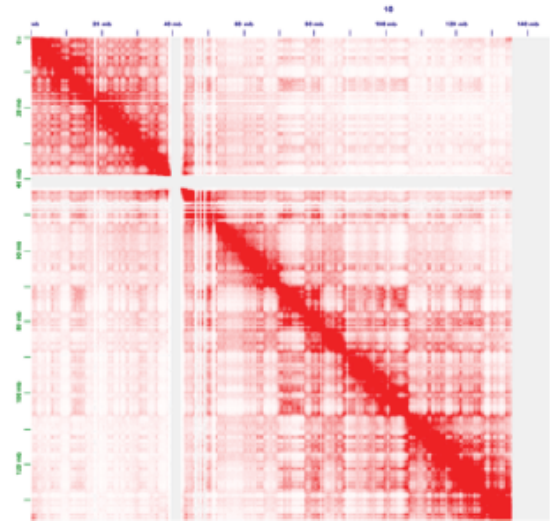
# Identifying TADs in multiple resolutions



Modularity maximization

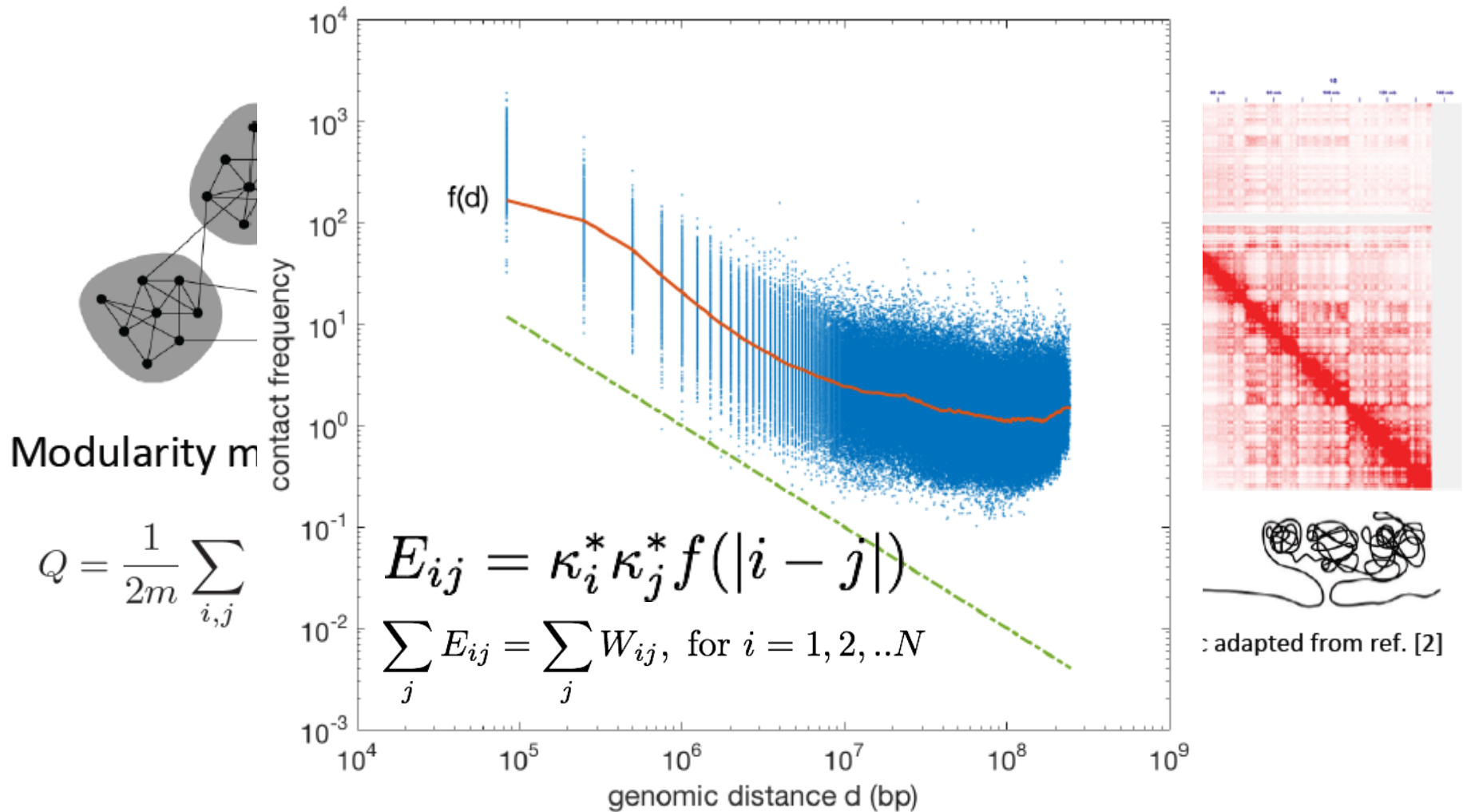
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network	contact map
node	chromosome bin
edge	Hi-C contact
# of connections	coverage
module	domain



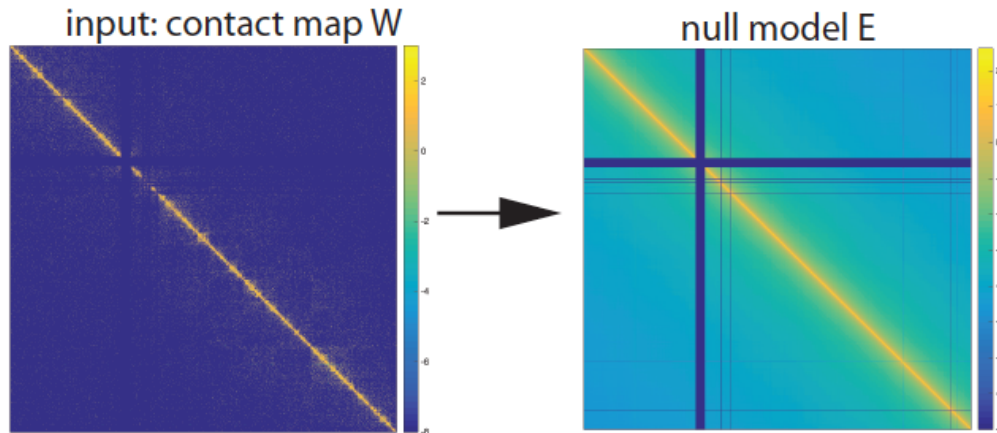
schematic adapted from ref. [2]

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$$E_{ij} = \kappa_i^* \kappa_j^* f(|i - j|)$$

Numerically solve for  $\kappa_i^*$  in equations

$$\sum_j E_{ij} = \sum_j W_{ij}, \text{ for } i = 1, 2, \dots, N$$

Choose a particular resolution  $\gamma$   
Optimize  $Q$  over all possible partitions

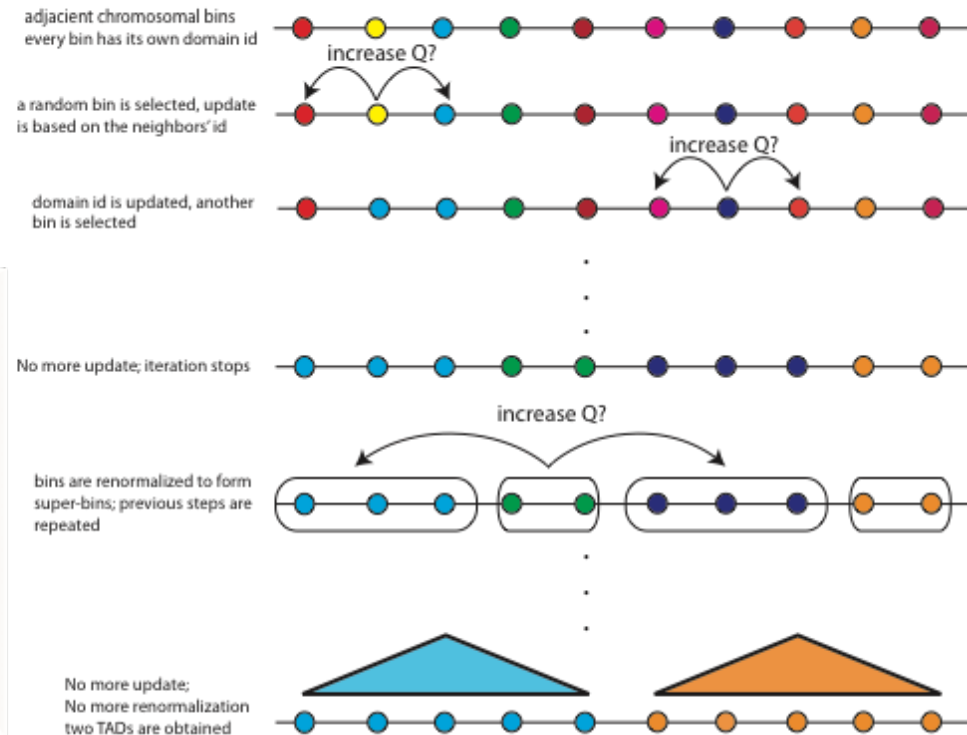
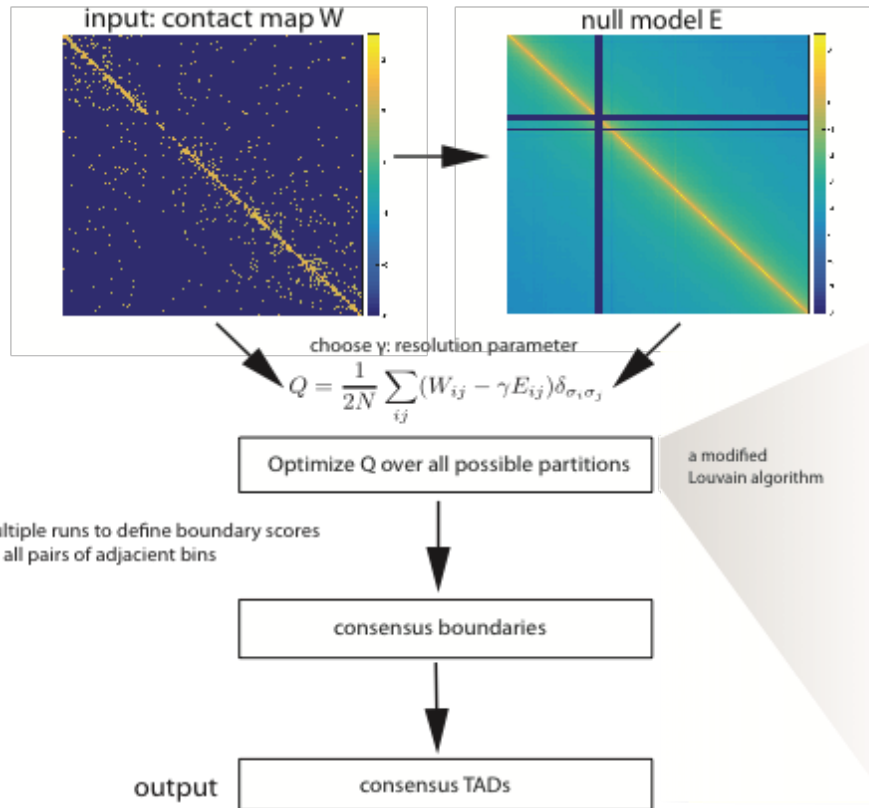
$$Q = \frac{1}{2N} \sum_{ij} (W_{ij} - \gamma E_{ij}) \delta_{\sigma_i \sigma_j} \quad \gamma: \text{resolution parameter}$$

Multiple runs to define boundary scores  
for all pairs of adjacent bins

consensus boundaries based on  
the boundary scores

consensus TADs output

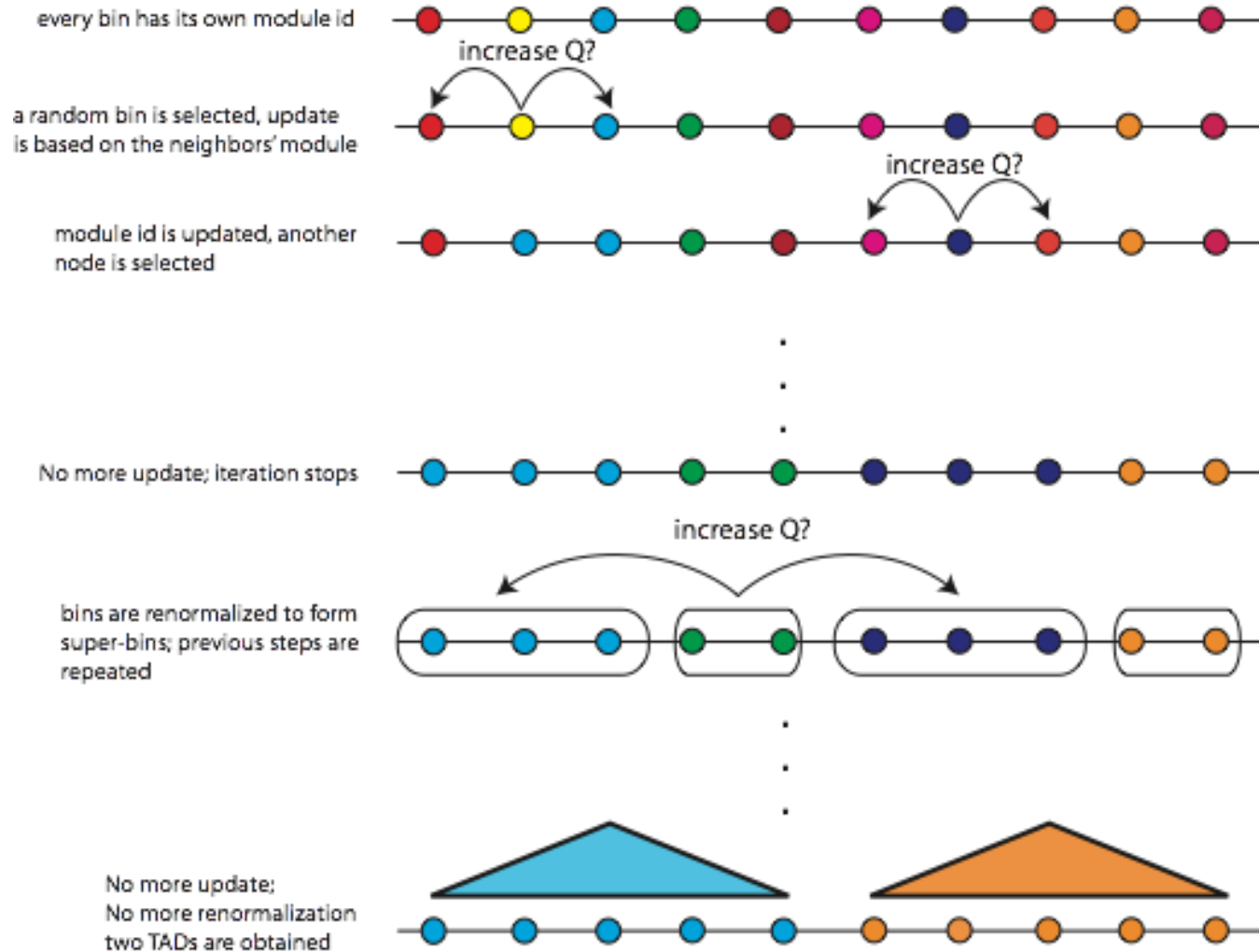
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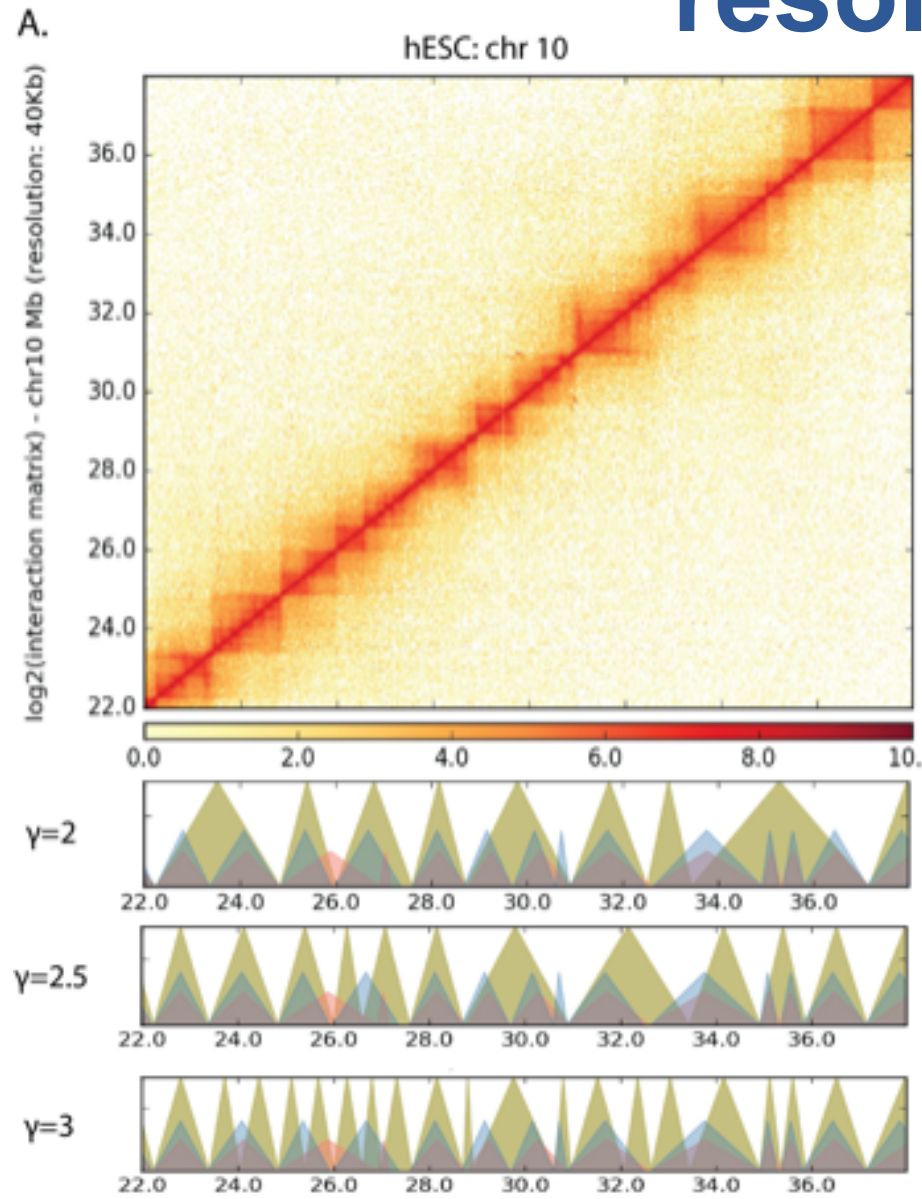
a modified Louvain algorithm

a continuous segment of chromosomal bins

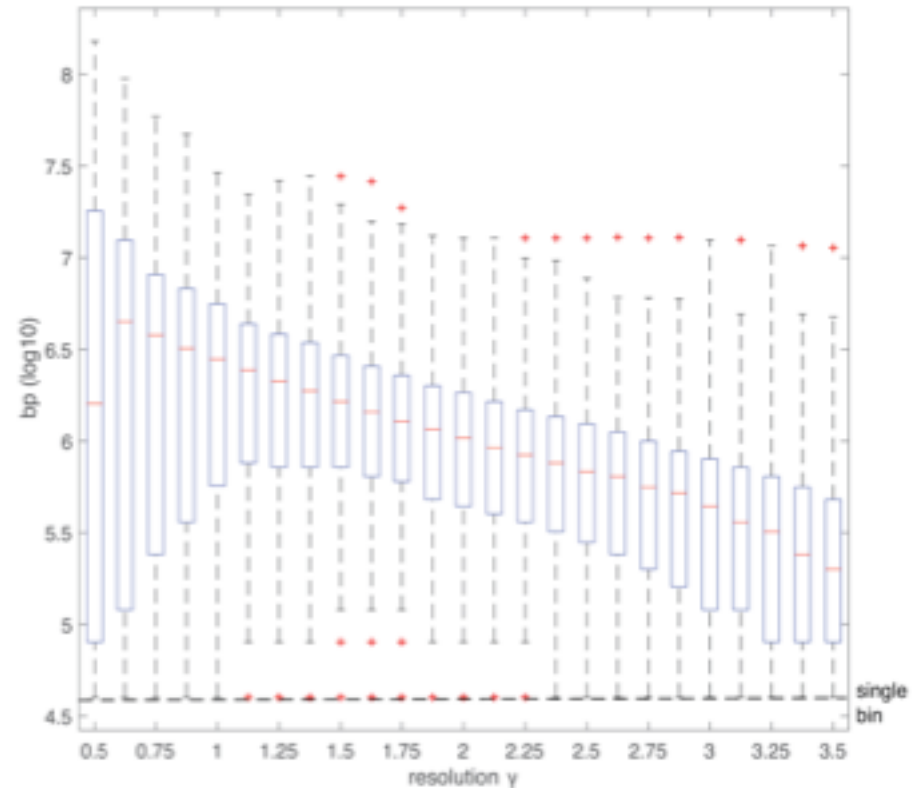


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smaller TADs but are detected  
as the resolution increases

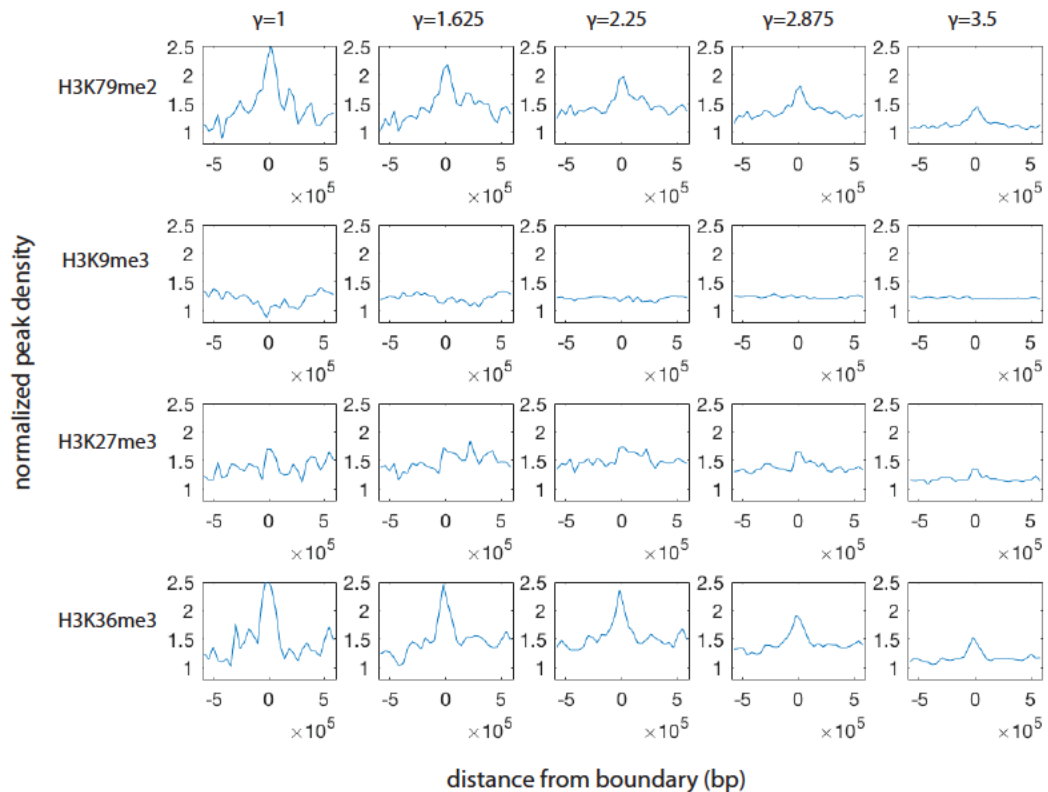
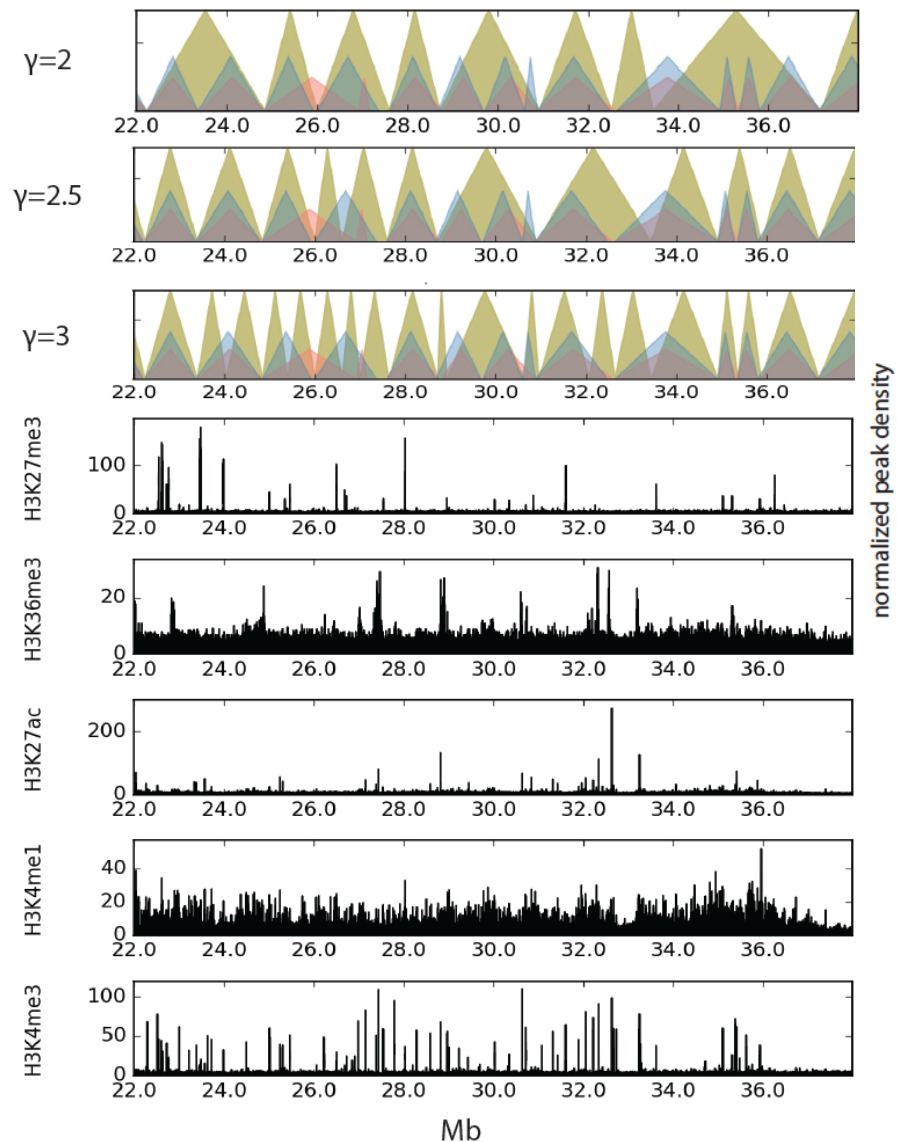


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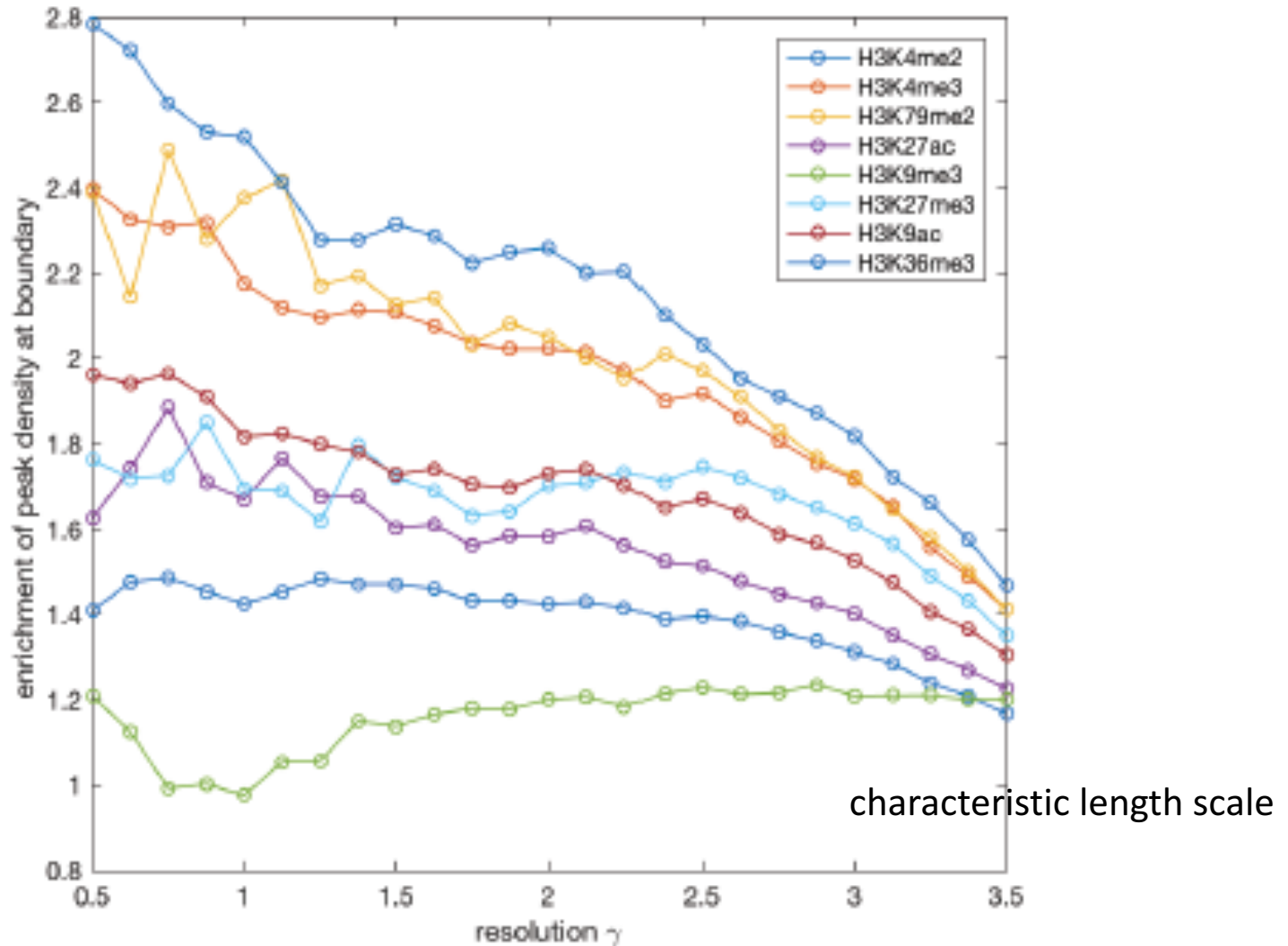


# Enrichment of histone features at different resolution



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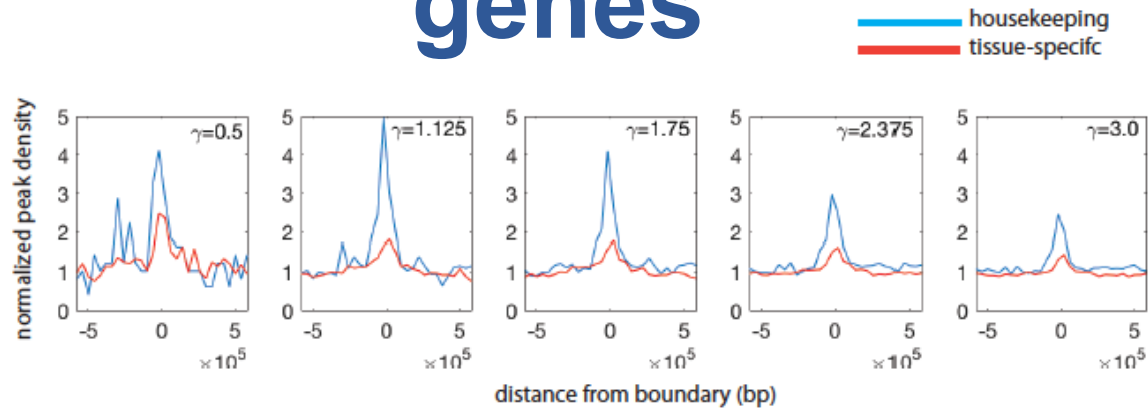
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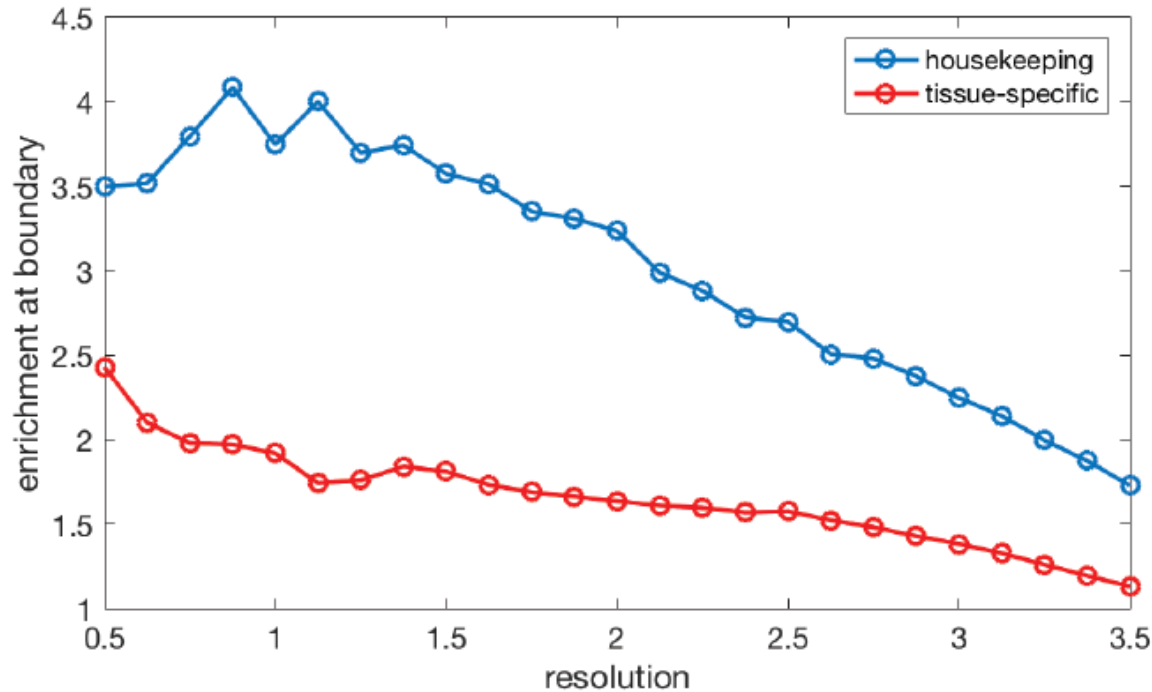
characteristic length scale

# House-keeping vs tissue-specific genes

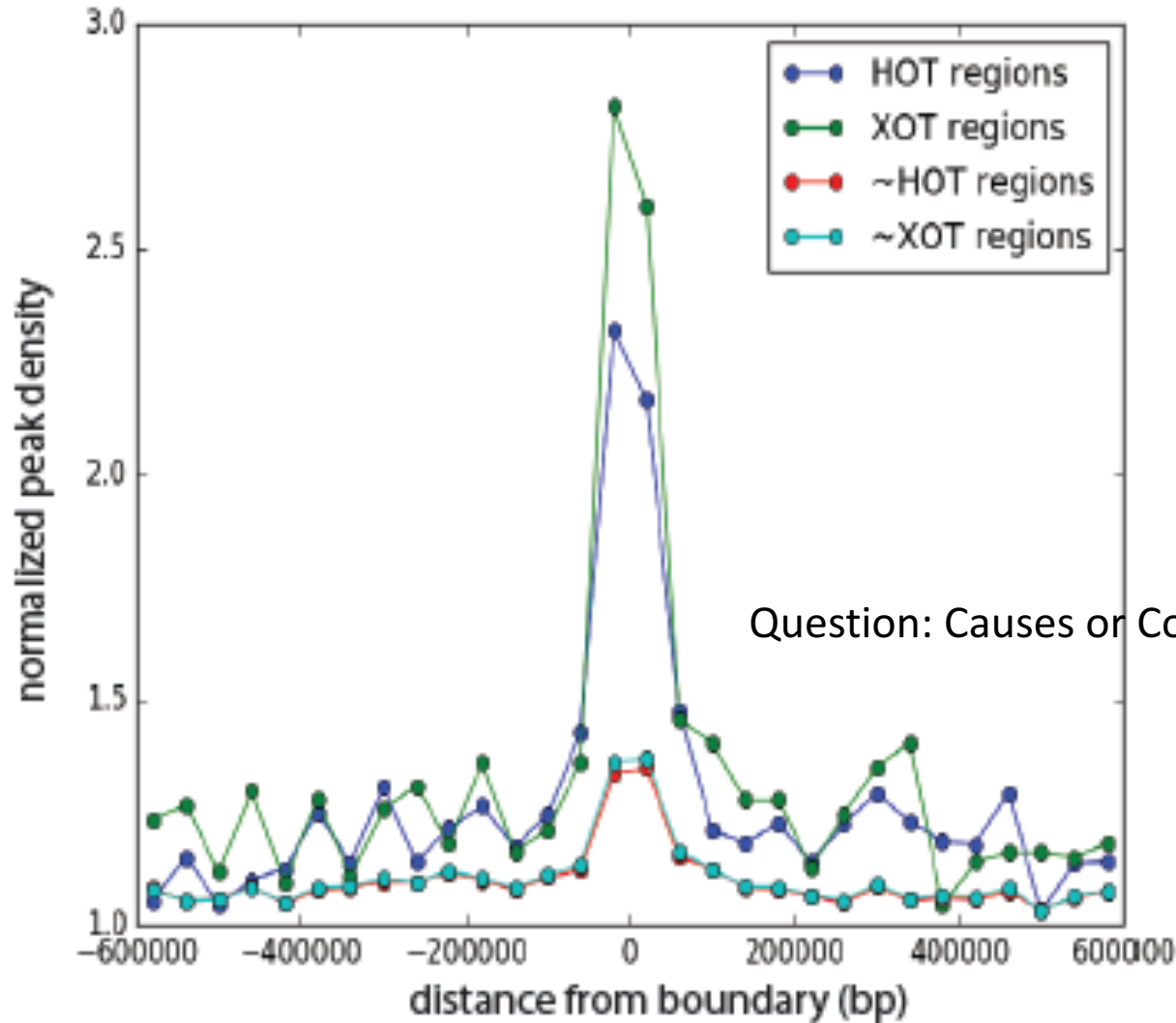
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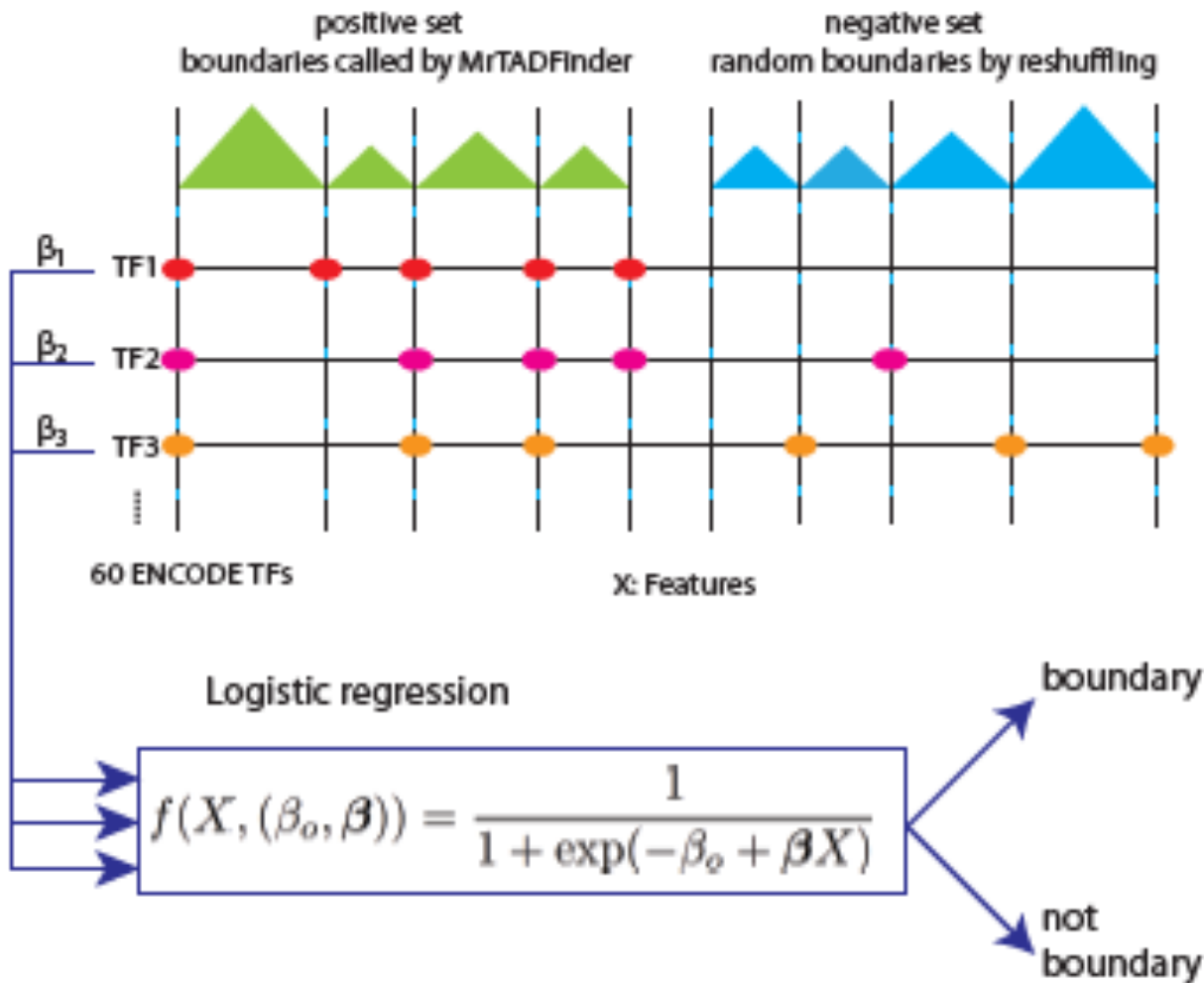
# Enrichment of TF binding sites near boundaries



Question: Causes or Consequences?

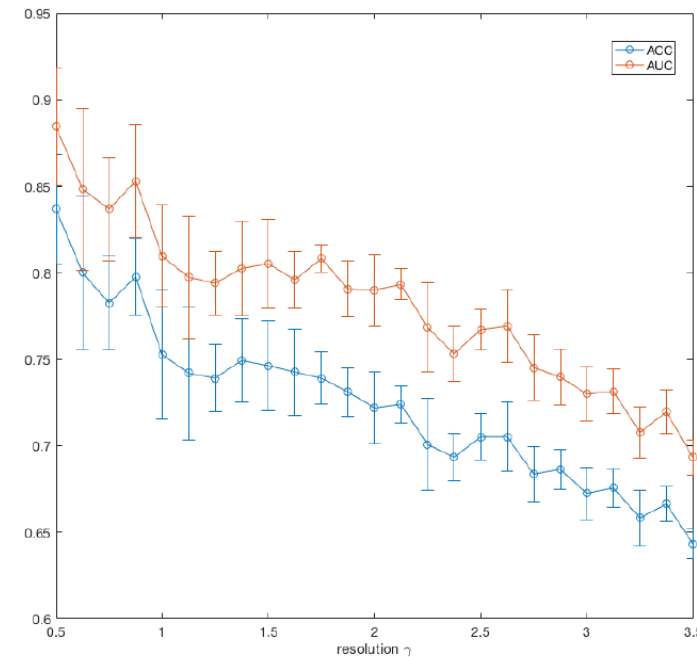
# Predicting TAD boundaries using TFs binding pattern

Classification problem:



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model performance

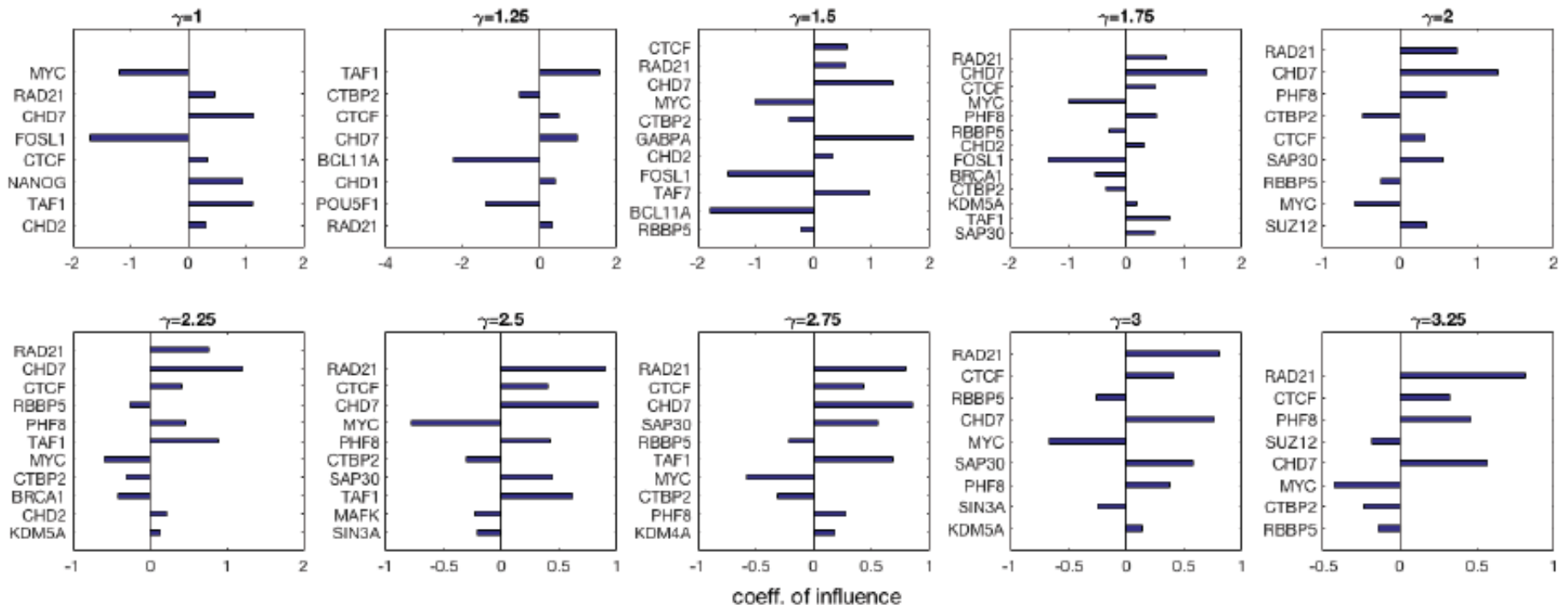




# Predicting TAD boundaries using chromatin features

Which transcription factors play a role in border formation?

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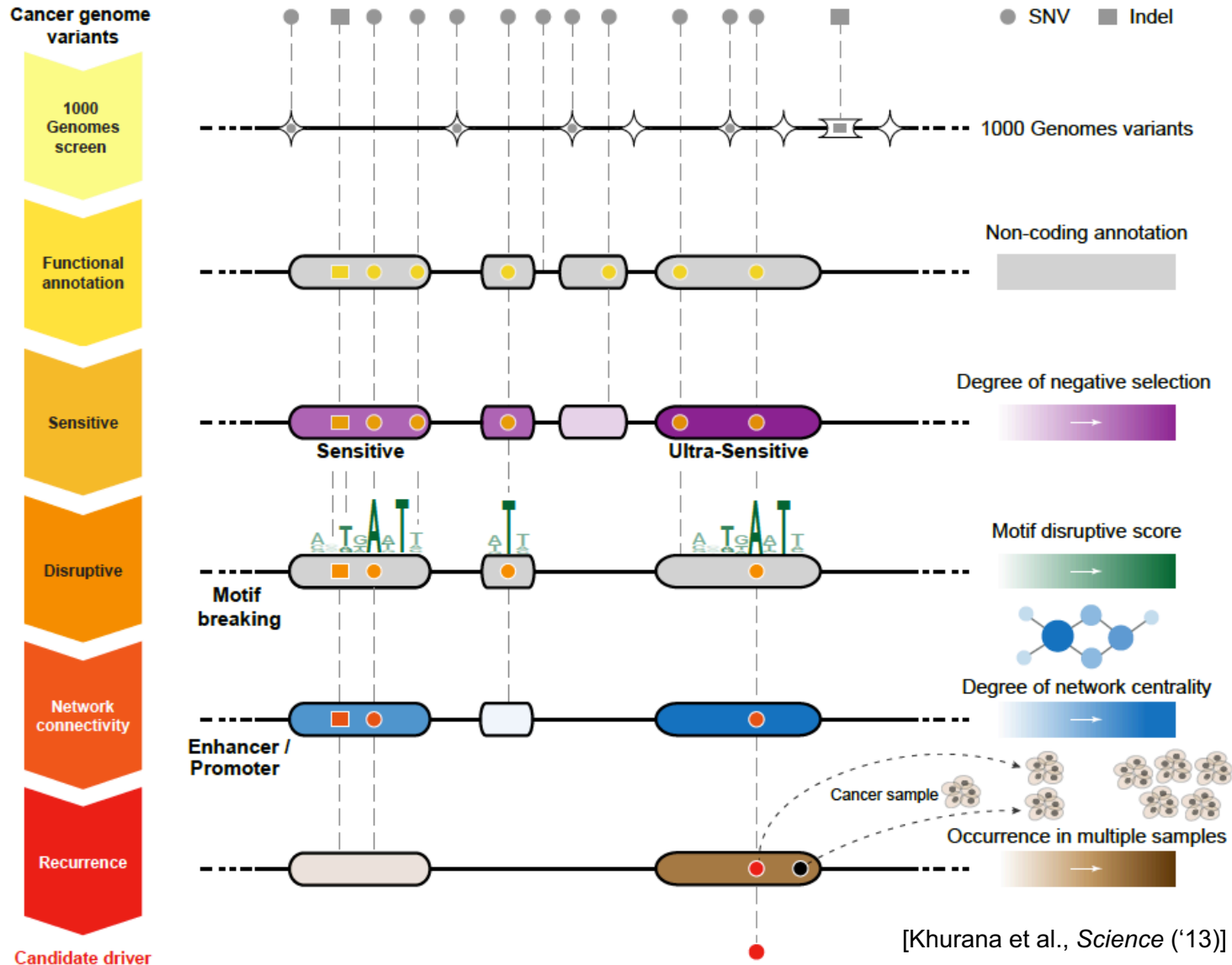


contribution of individual factors

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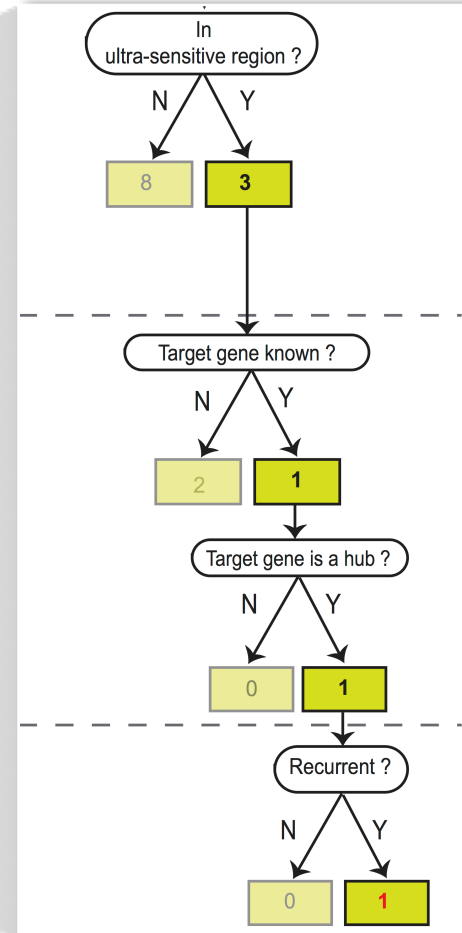
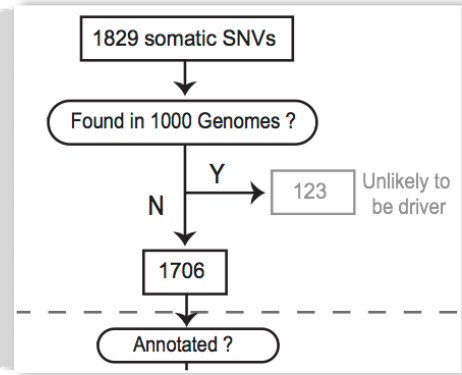
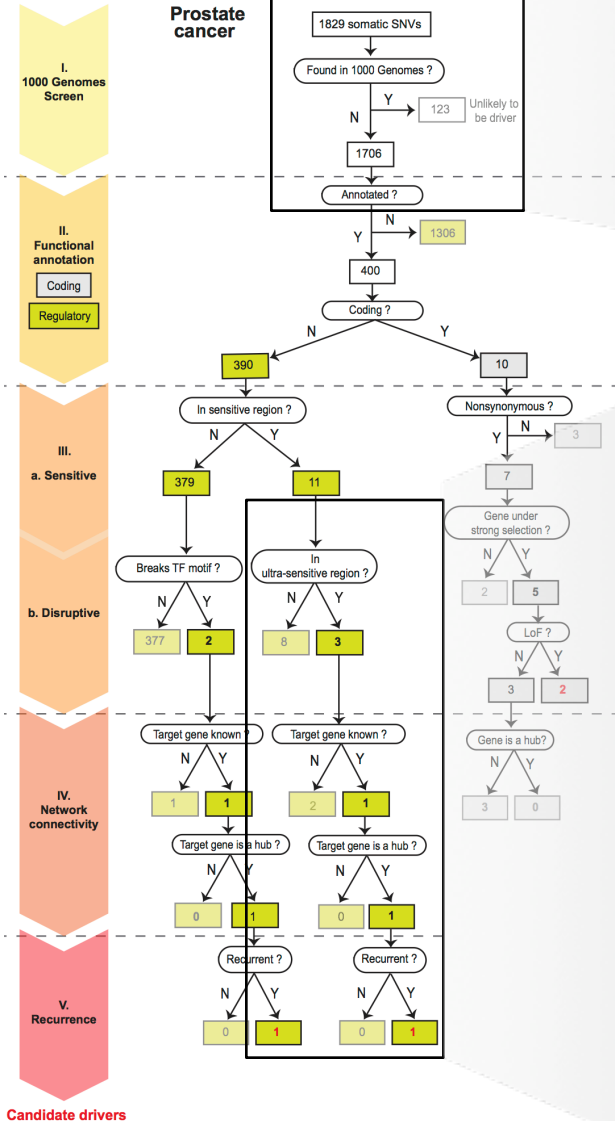
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# Identification of non-coding candidate drivers amongst somatic variants: Scheme



# Flowchart for 1 Prostate Cancer Genome

(from Berger et al. '11)





Overview

This tool is specialized to prioritize somatic variants from cancer whole genome sequencing. It contains two components : 1) building data context from various resources; 2) variants prioritization. We provided downloadable scripts for users to customize the data context (found under 'Downloads'). The variants prioritization step is downloadable, and also implemented as web server (Right Panel), with pre-processed data context.

Instructions

- ♣ Input File - BED or VCF formatted. Click "green" button to add multiple files. With multiple files, the tool will do recurrent analysis. (Note: for BED format, user can put variants from multiple genomes in one file, see [Sample input file](#) .)
- ♣ Recurrence DB - User can choose particular cancer type from the database. The DB will continue be updated with newly available WGS data.
- ♣ Gene List - Option to analyze variants associated with particular set of genes. Note: Please use Gene Symbols, one row per gene.
- ♣ Differential Gene Expression Analysis - Option to detect differentially expressed genes in RNA-Seq data. Two files needed: expression file & class label file. Please refer to [Expression input files](#) for instructions to prepare those files.

♣ Note: In addition to on-site calculation, we also provide scores for all possible noncoding SNVs of GRCh37/hg19 under 'Downloads' (without annotation and recurrence analysis).

Input File: (only for hg19 SNVs)

Choose File No file chosen

BED or VCF files as input. [Sample input file](#)

Output Format:

bed

MAF:

0

Minor allele frequency threshold to filter polymorphisms from 1KG (value 0~1)

Cancer Type from Recurrence DB: [Summary table](#)

All Cancer Types

[Add a gene list](#) (Optional)

[Add differential gene expression analysis](#) (Optional)

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Site integrates user variants with large-scale context

Data Context

Variant Prioritization

Weighted scoring scheme

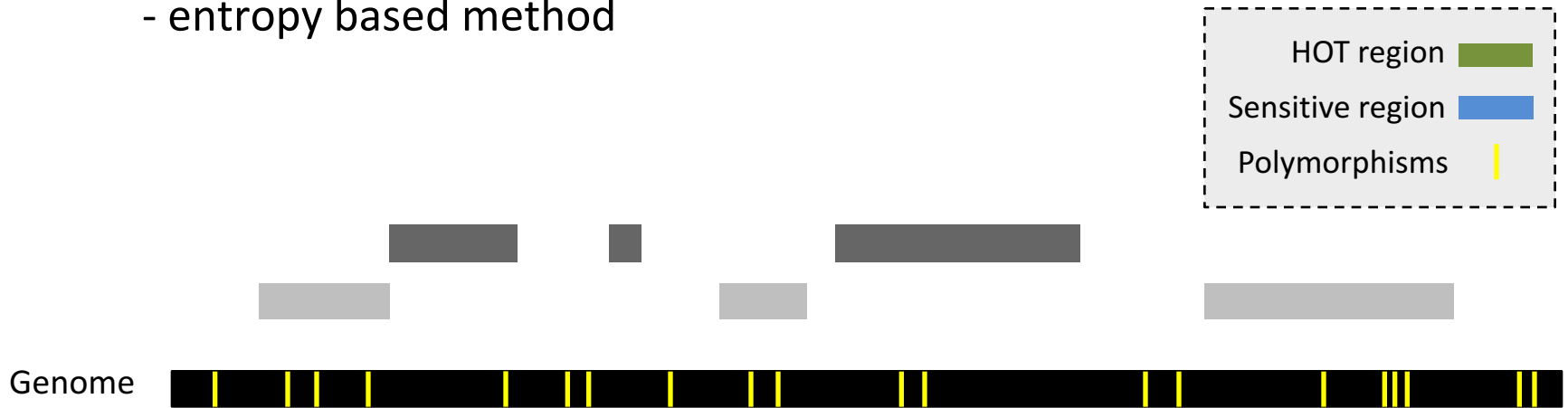
Highlighting variants

User Variants

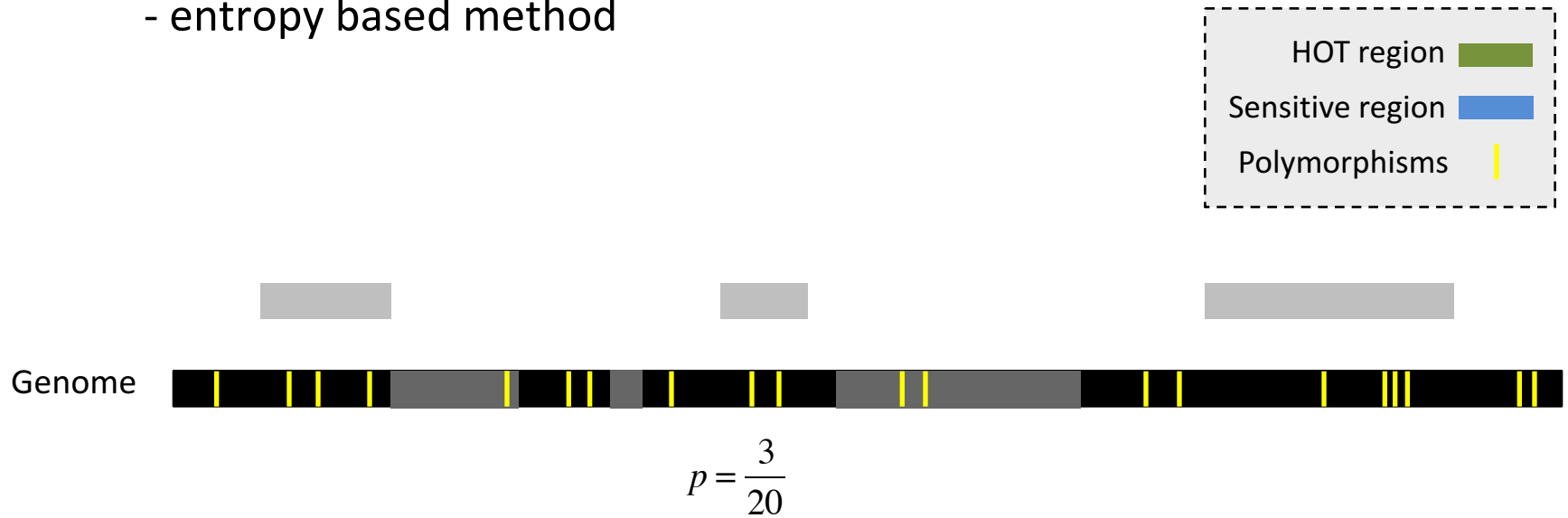
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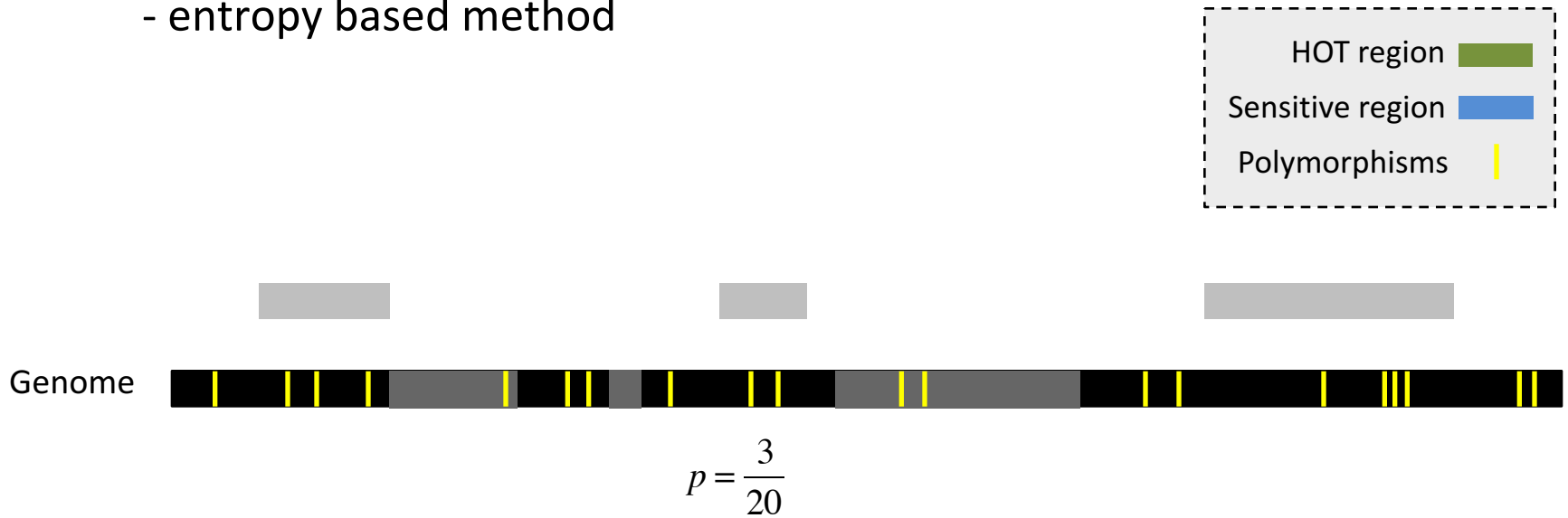


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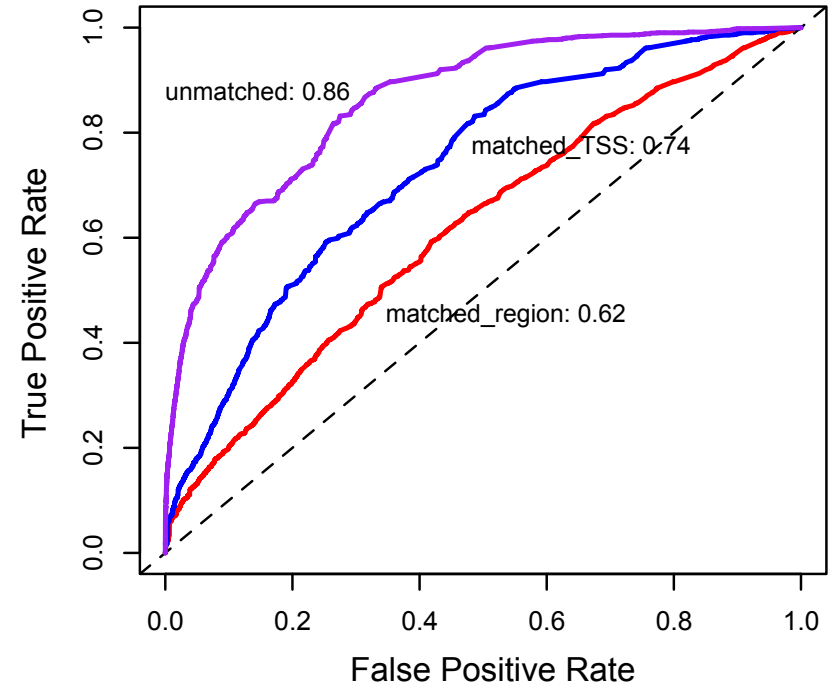
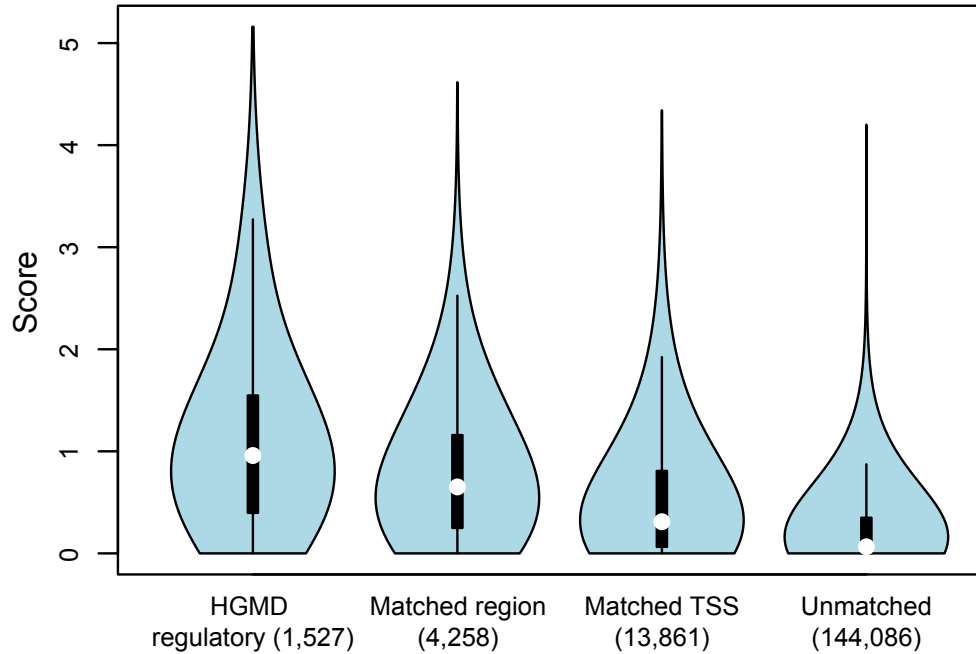


Feature weight:  $w_d = 1 + p_d \log_2 p_d + (1 - p_d) \log_2 (1 - p_d)$

$p \uparrow$     $w_d \downarrow$     $p = \text{probability of the feature overlapping natural polymorphisms}$

For a variant:  $\text{Score} = \sum w_d$  of observed features

# Germline pathogenic variants show higher core scores than controls



3 controls with natural polymorphisms (allele frequency  $\geq 1\%$  )

1. Matched region: 1kb around HGMD variants

2. Matched TSS: matched for distance to TSS

3. Unmatched: randomly selected

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