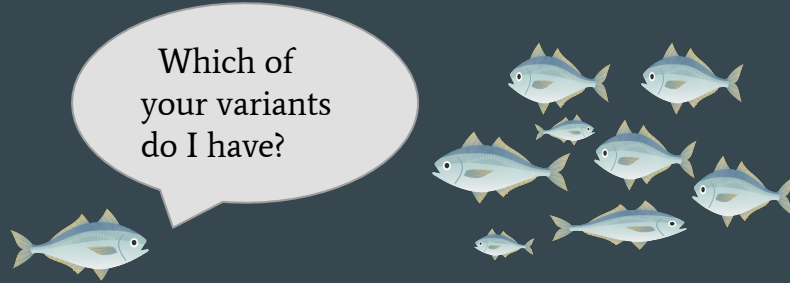


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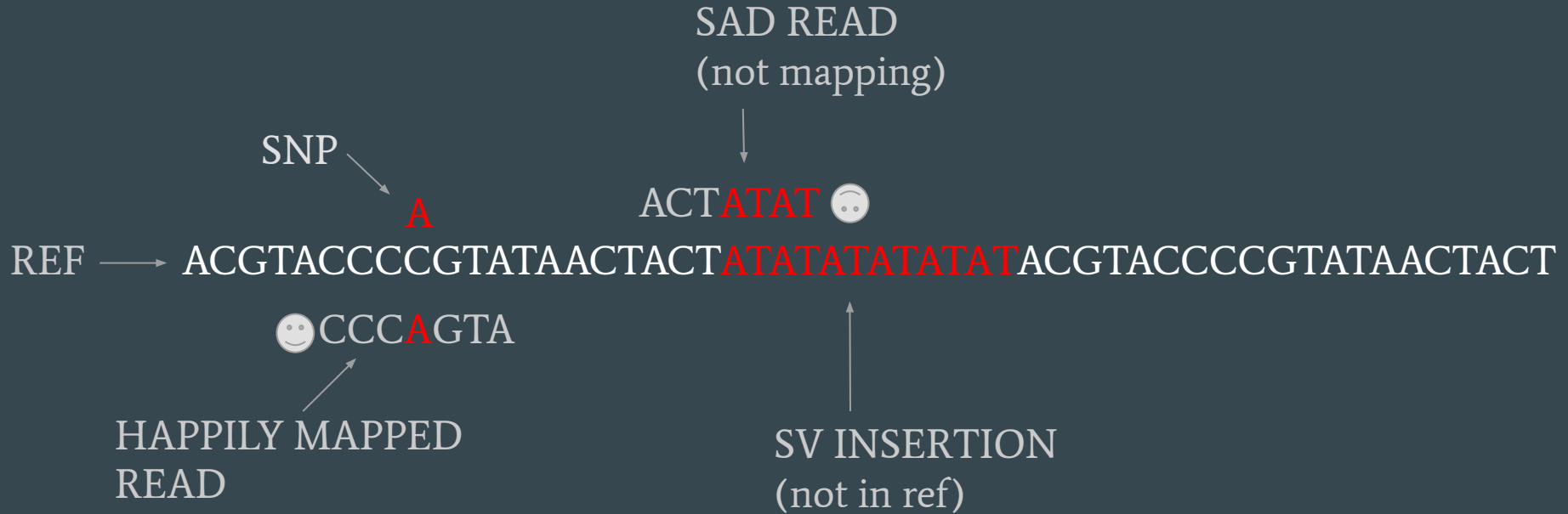
In the era of pangenomes



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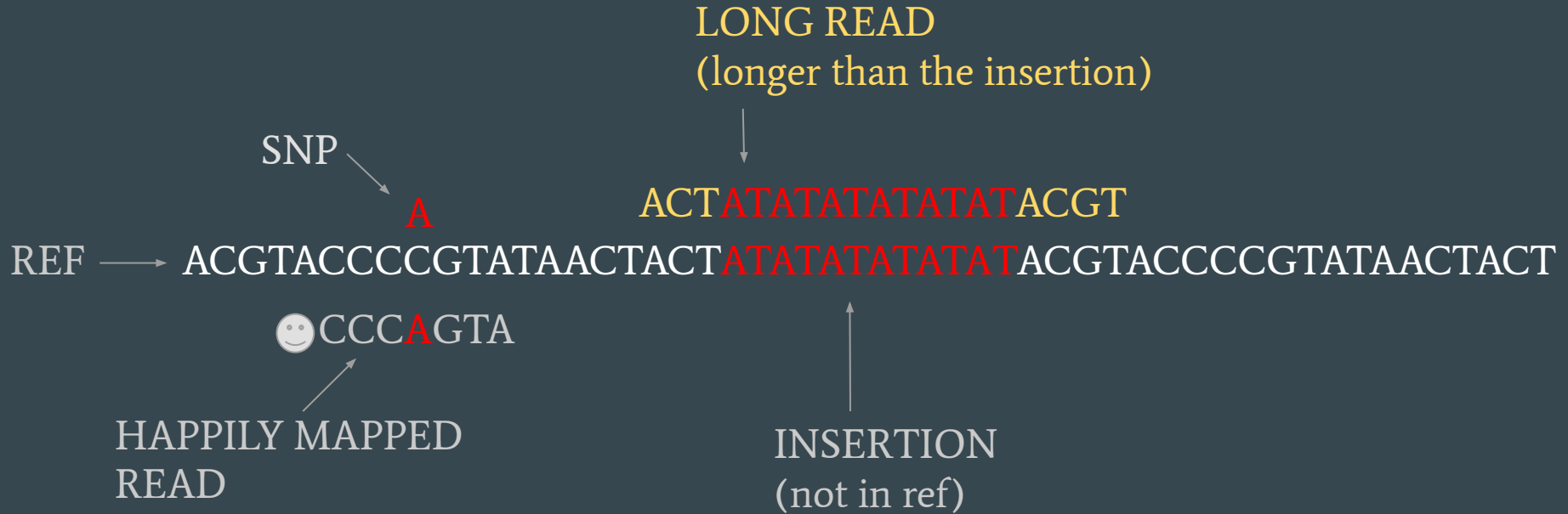
1. The challenge of genotyping structural variation
2. The role of pangenomes
3. KAGE

Genotyping structural variation is trickier than SNPs/indels



... mapping short reads to a reference genomes is bad for detecting SVs

Long reads can solve this

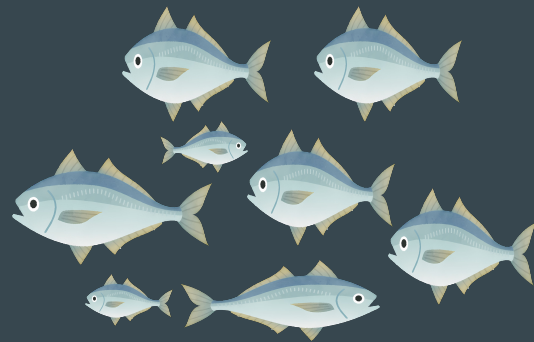


.. but long reads are expensive

Pangenomes are changing how we “call variants”

~~What variants do I
have?~~

Which **of your** variants
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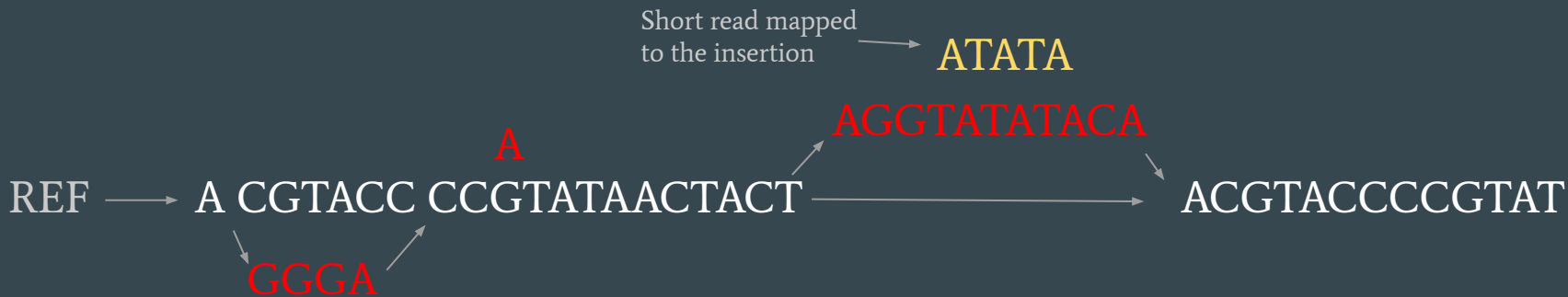
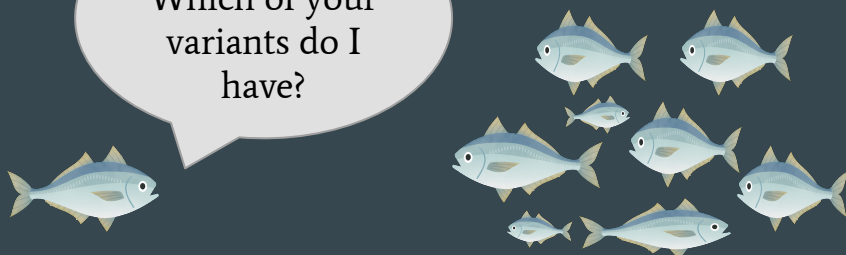


Pangenomes are changing how we “variant call” / genotype

If we know the variation present in a population:

call sample by genotyping known variants

Which of your variants do I have?



This idea is not new

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pangenome reference. The pangenome contains 47 phased, diploid assemblies from a cohort

of genetically diverse individuals¹. These assemblies cover more than 99% of the expected

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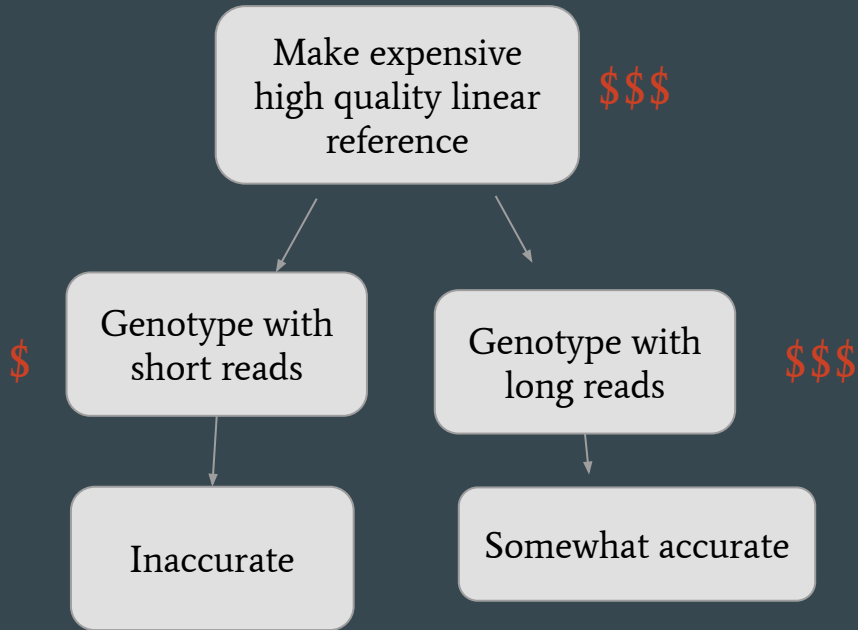
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Missing heritability in genome-wide association studies defines a major problem in genetic analyses of complex biological traits^{1,2}. The solution to this problem is to identify all causal

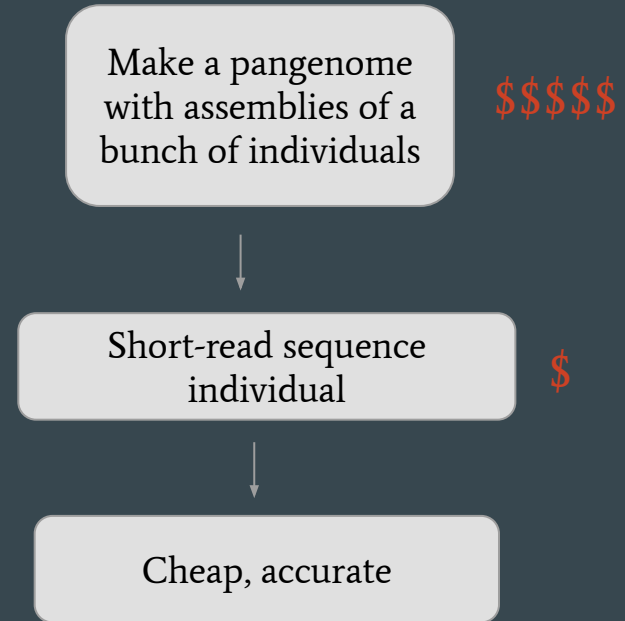
.. but good assemblies are making it relevant now

The pangenomic approach to genotyping

Traditional approach



Pangenome approach

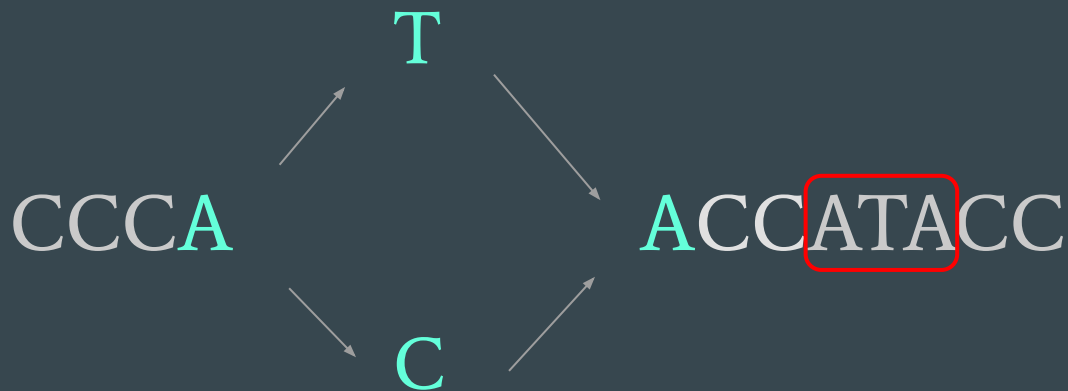


.. we have the assemblies, but what about the tools?

KAGE enables fast and accurate genotyping using pangenomes

- KAGE uses a graph-representation of known variants in a population
- Alignment-free, only looks at kmers (fast)
- **Two** key novel ideas makes KAGE pretty good

A puzzle: Which genotype?

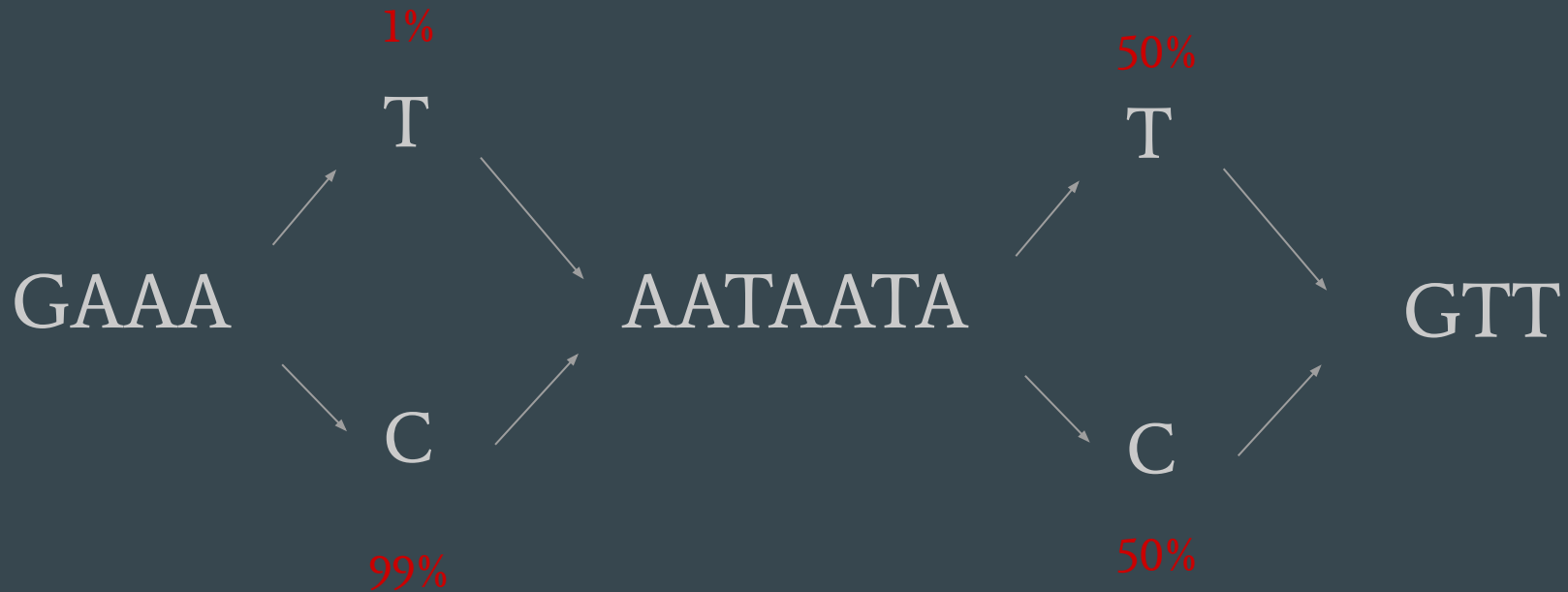


We sequence an individual and get these 4 reads:

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The ATA supports the variant, but we expect higher ATA-count due to the repeat.

It helps to look at multiple variants together



$$P(T \mid C \text{ at other variant}) = 0.9999$$

Non-unique kmers and repetitive sequences are common for SVs

- Since KAGE models these, we can genotype variants that are otherwise tricky

SNP strongly associated



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Difficult to call SV



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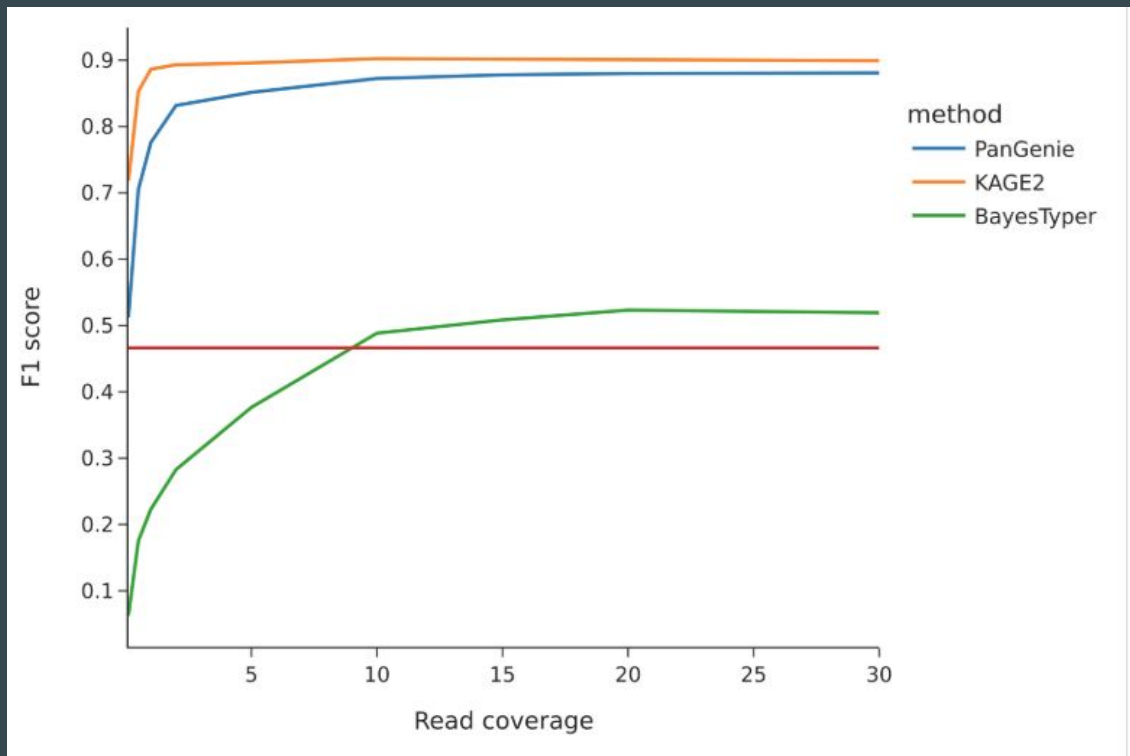
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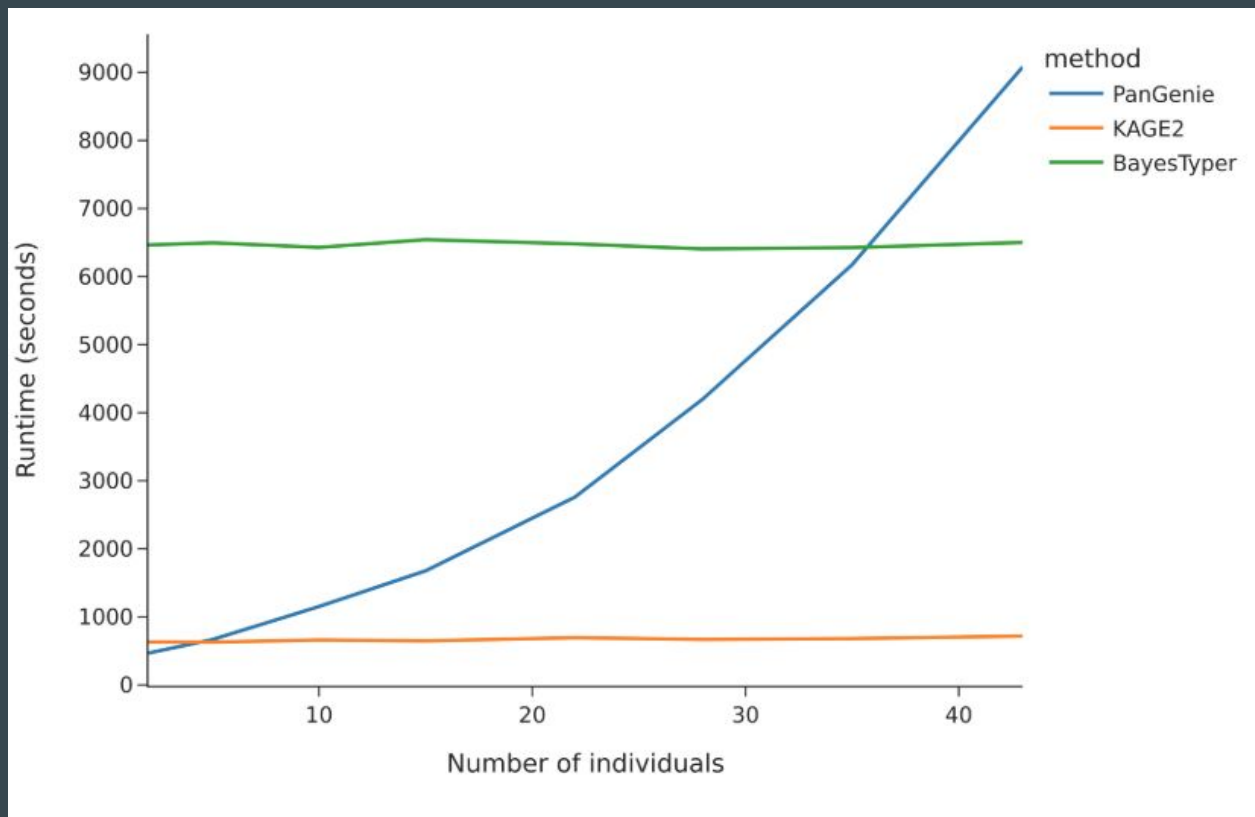
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Easy-to-genotype SNPs and indels guide SV-genotyping

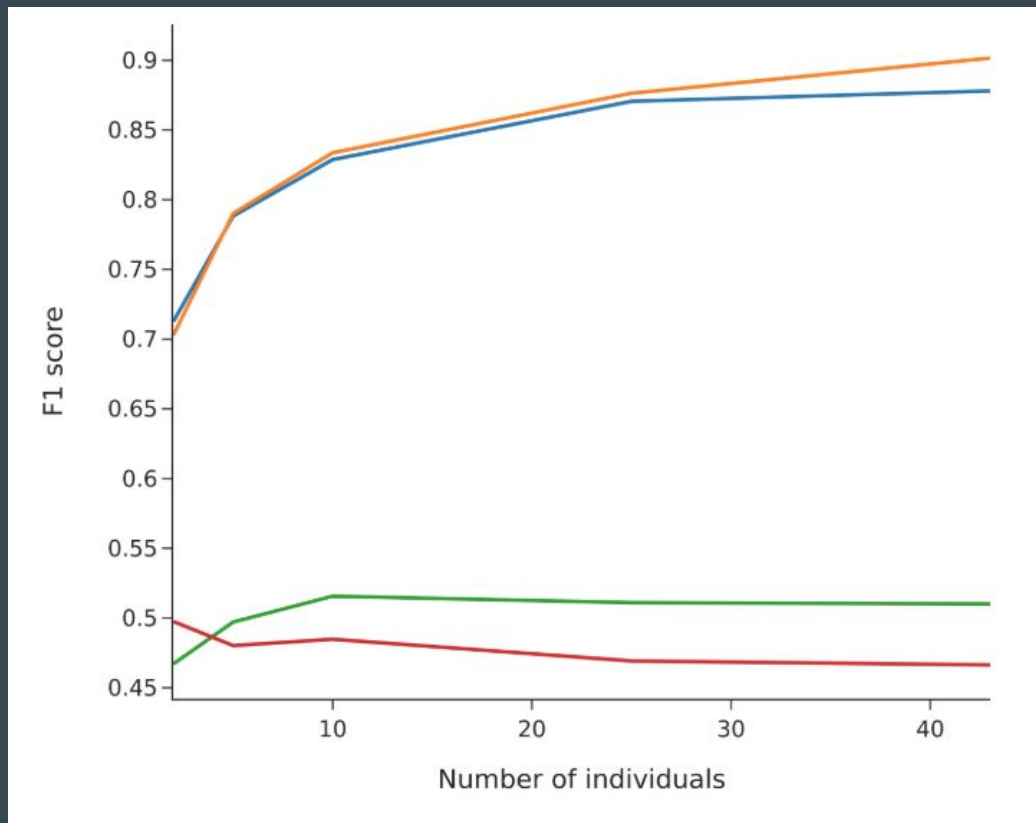
Good accuracy even when low read-coverage



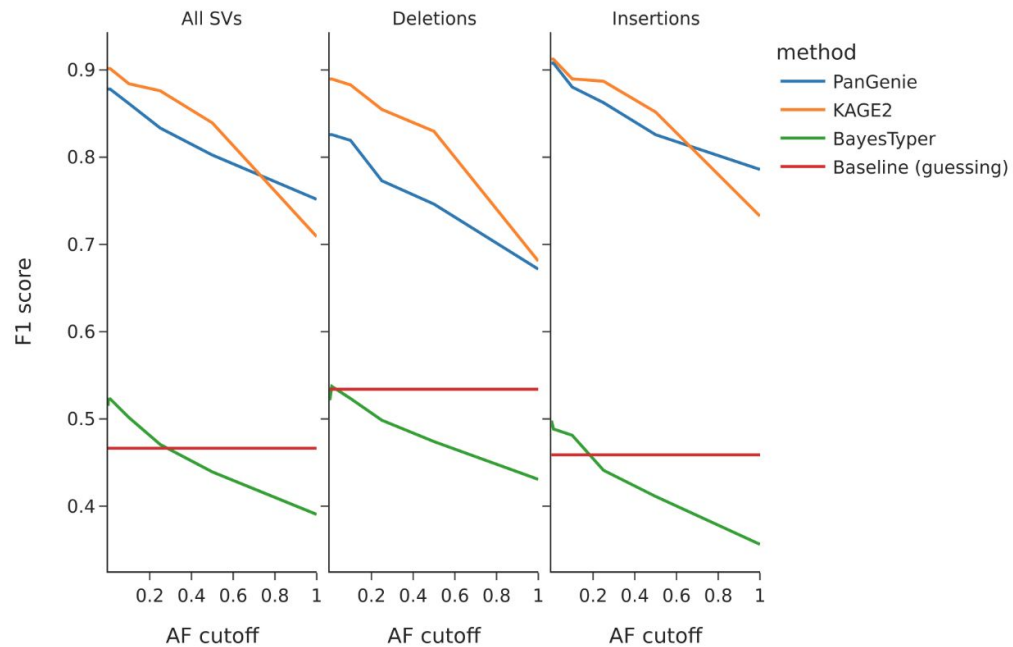
KAGE scales well to LARGE pangenomes



Larger pangenomes: Higher accuracy



SNPs and Indels help SV-genotyping

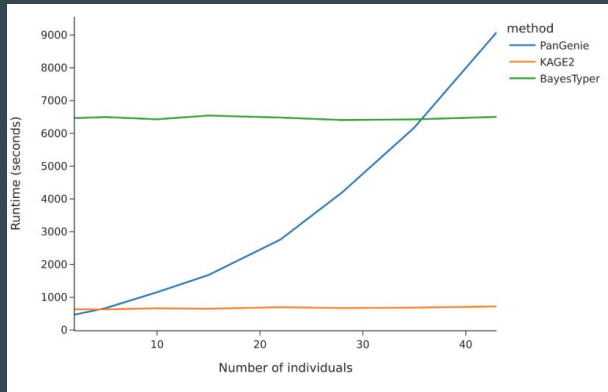


KAGE2 was recently released: Please use it and give feedback :)

- KAGE1 was released a couple of years ago and supported SNPs and indels
- KAGE2 is on bioRxiv and supports SVs
- KAGE works even better together with GLIMPSE
- **GPU-support** for insanely fast genotyping

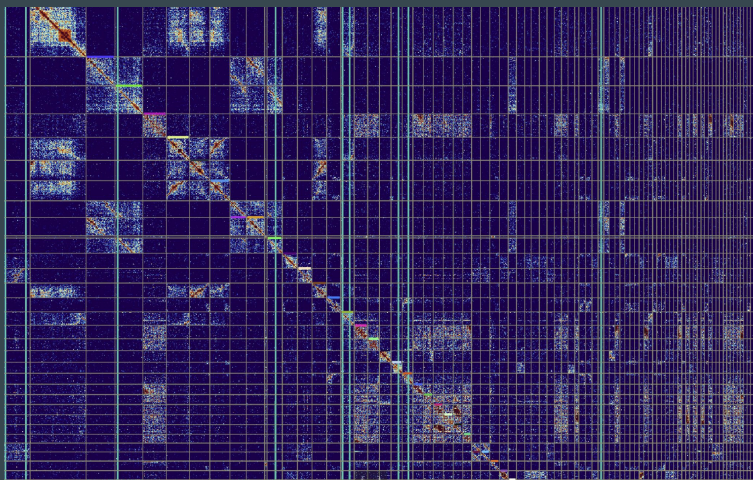
Why does speed matter?

- All of us Project: Genotype a million individuals
- Your project: Genotype a few hundred animals or plants?
- Also: Accuracy increase with pangenome size, current methods don't scale



KAGE was built with BioNumPy

- Python-based, but >10x faster than PanGenie and other tools written in C
- Another tool we are building with BioNumPy is a **scaffolder**



If anyone is interested in scaffolding, please talk to me later

- Work by me, Knut Rand and Geir Kjetil Sandve
- KAGE is available at <https://github.com/kage-genotyper/kage/>
- Happy to answer questions :)