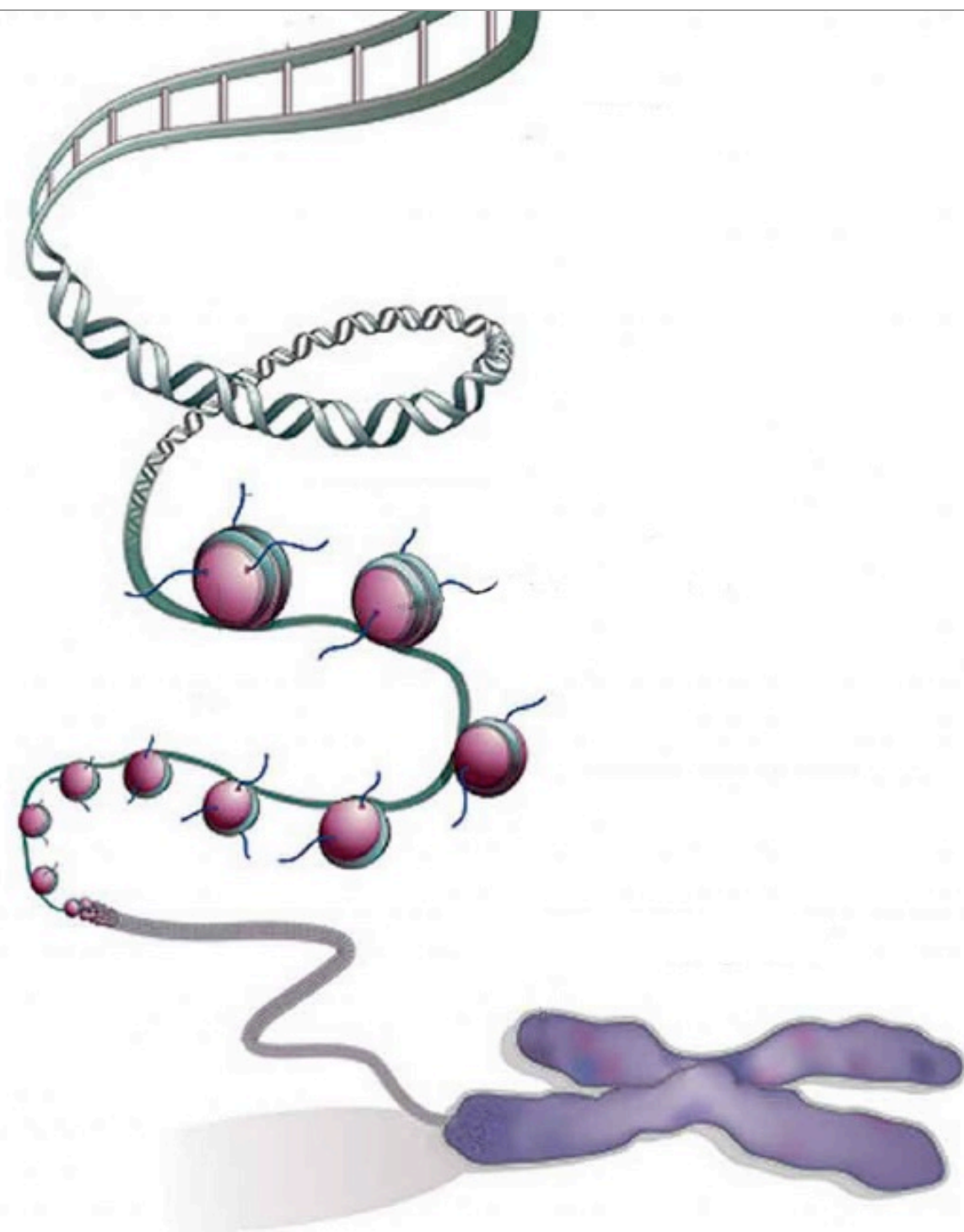


# Matrix decomposition in DNA sequence analysis

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A background image of a man in a dark pinstriped suit, white shirt, and patterned tie. He is looking slightly to the left. The image is overlaid with a white comment box and a dark blue text overlay at the bottom.

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**Calvin Cunningham**

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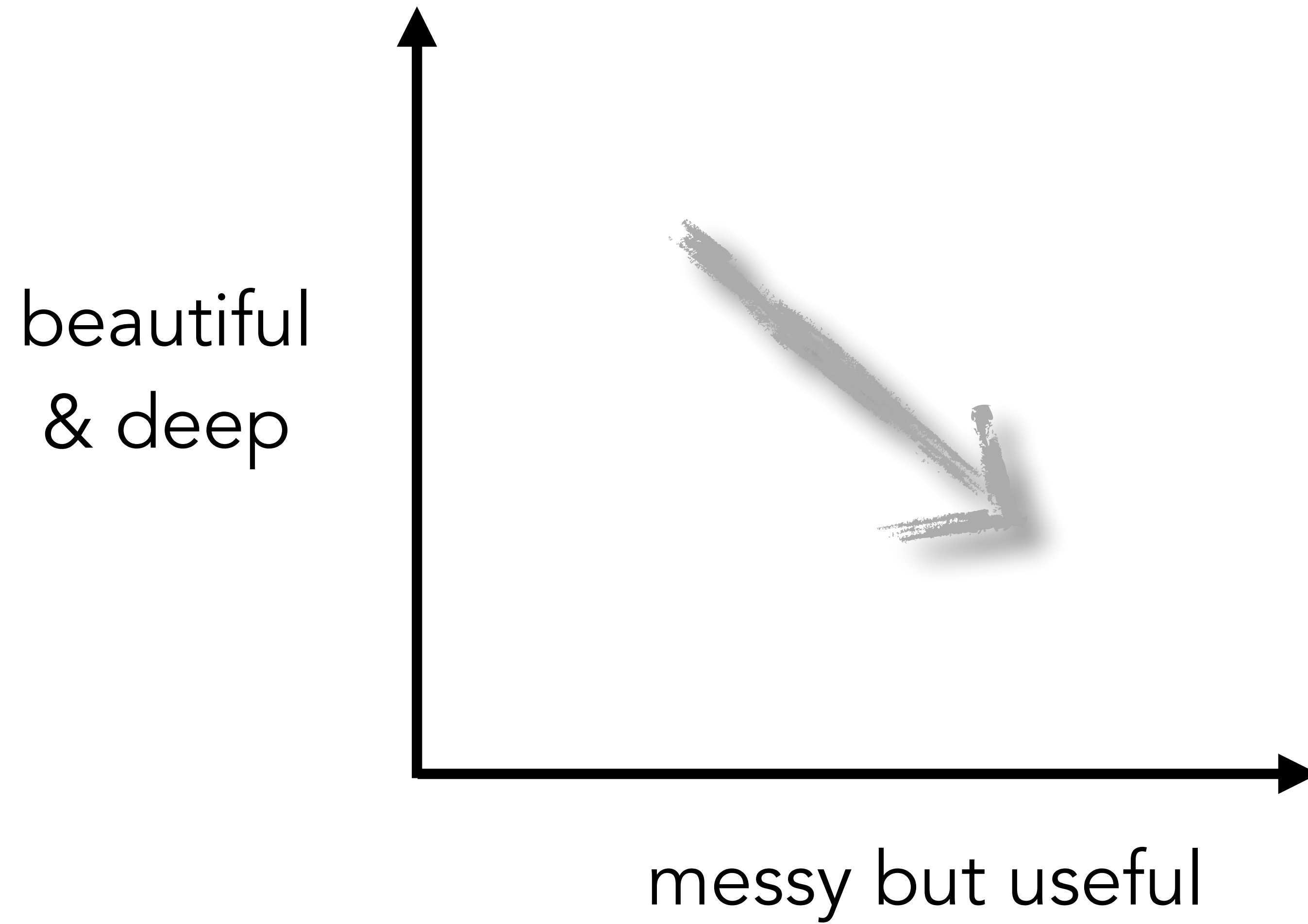
If **Ted Pick** was a real math whiz, he would stop trying to stuff his pockets and attempt to solve the Navier–Stokes Equation.

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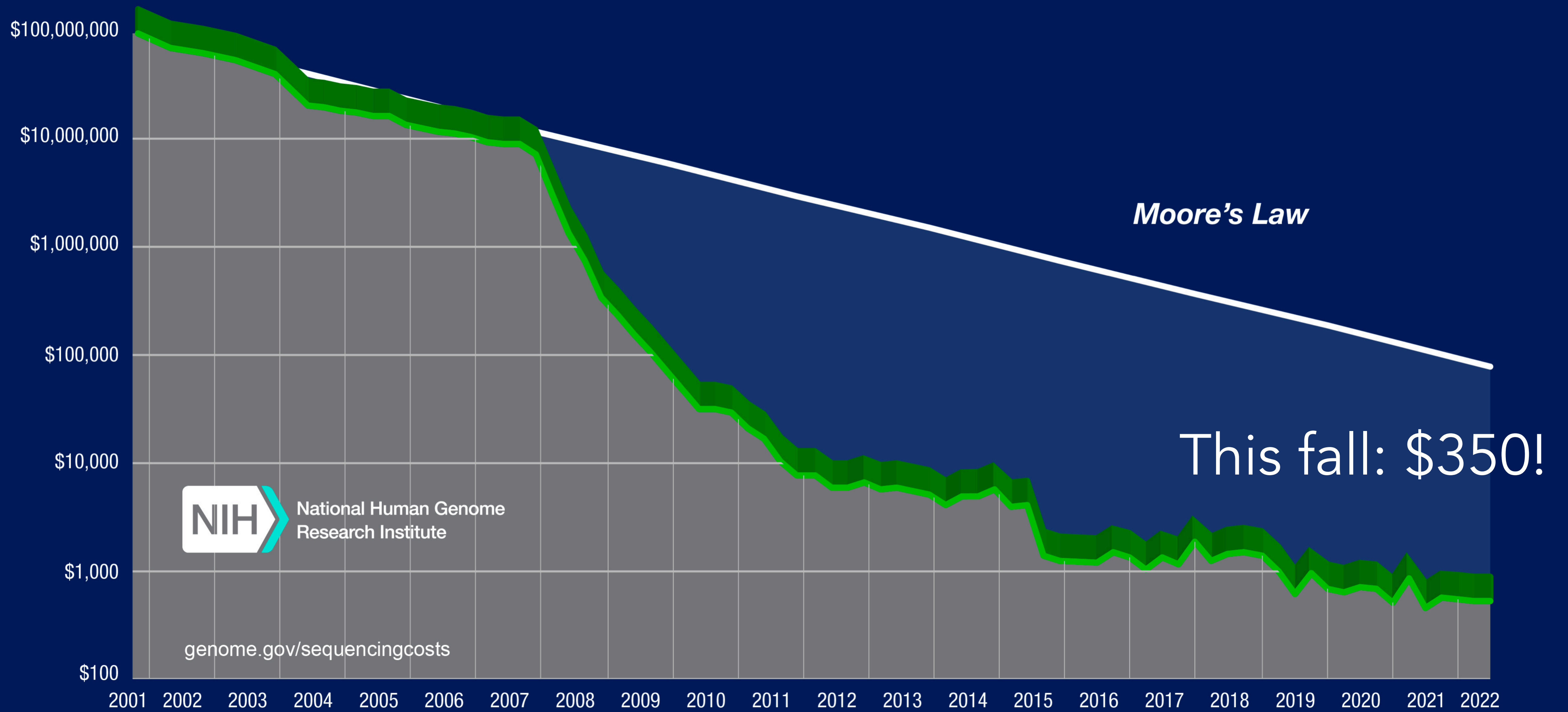
## **Ted Pick Is a Math Whiz Among Math Whizzes. He's the New Morgan Stanley CEO**

The company lifer will have to keep the wealth-management unit happy, while doing the same for investment banking and trading

# Trade-offs?



# Cost per Human Genome



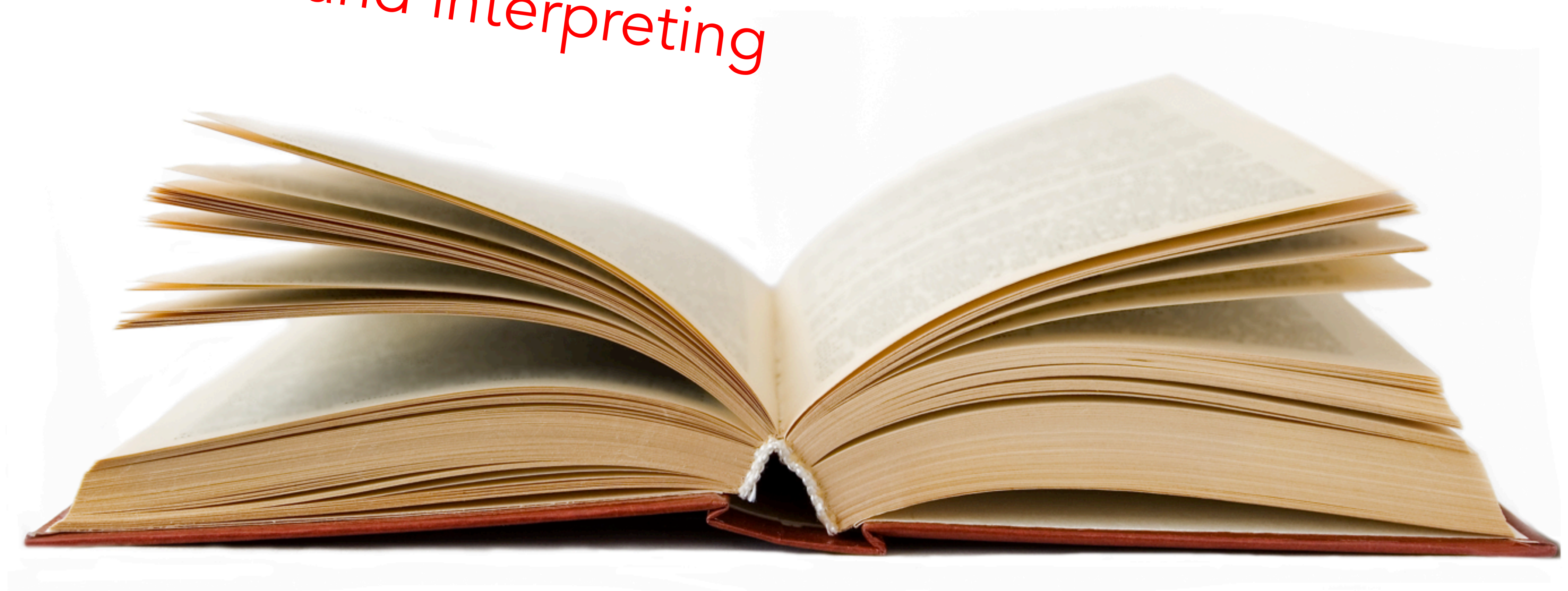
# Genome sequencing technology

- “Reading” the 3-billion nucleotide sequences in a person’s genome
- Four nucleotides: A, C, T, G
- One “whole-genome”: ~100 GB
- Latest machine: ~\$1M, 128 genomes in 2 days



# Sequencing the human genome

*and interpreting*



*War and Peace*: ~3 million characters

Human genome: ~3 billion characters

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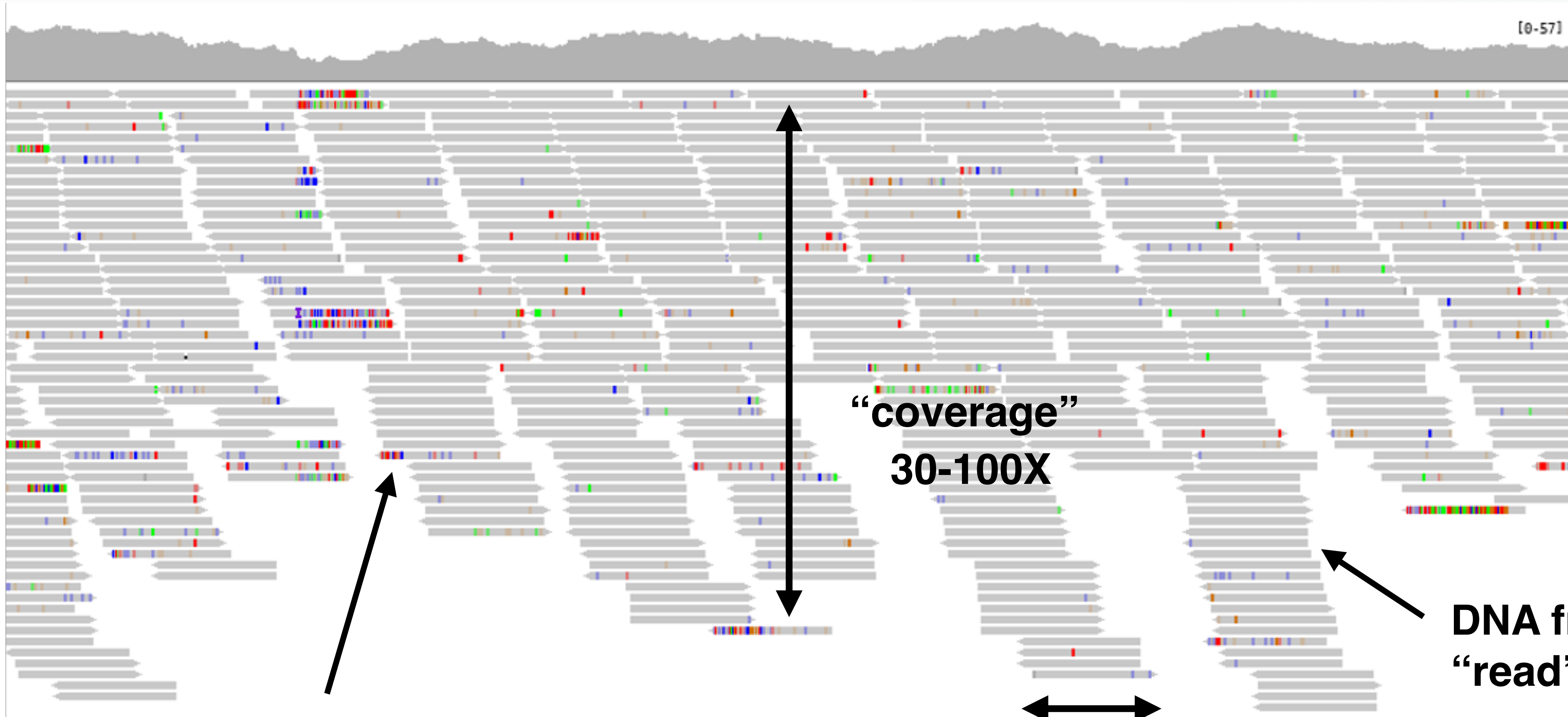
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-- Leo Tolstoy

# Genome sequencing data



colored dots -  
"mismatch" to the  
reference genome

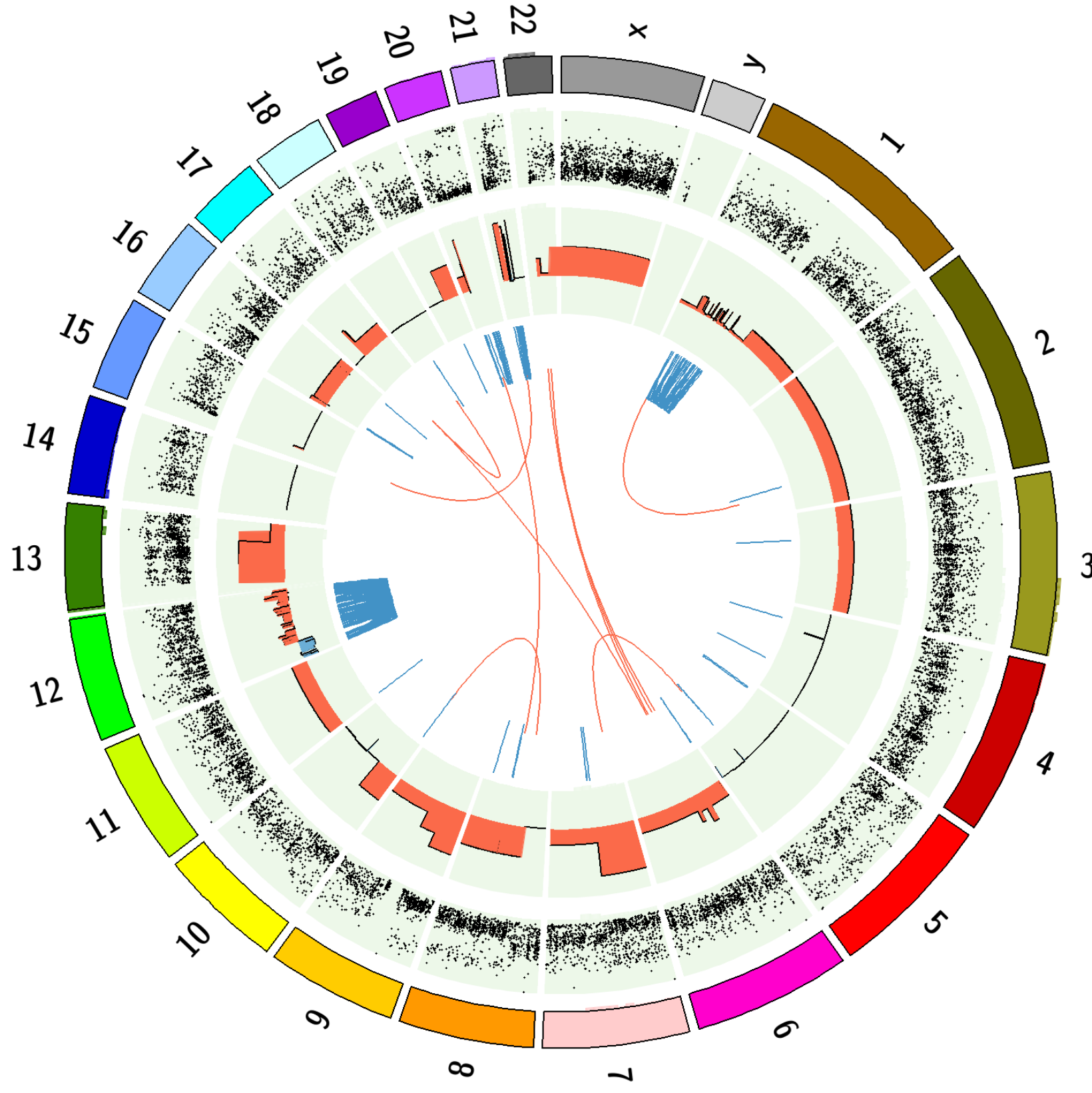
"coverage"  
30-100X

"read length"  
~150bp

DNA fragment  
"read"

# Mutational processes in cancer and normal cells

- How is your genome mutated when you have cancer?
- What are the mechanisms generating the mutations?
- With whole-genome sequencing, many types of genomic alterations can be detected

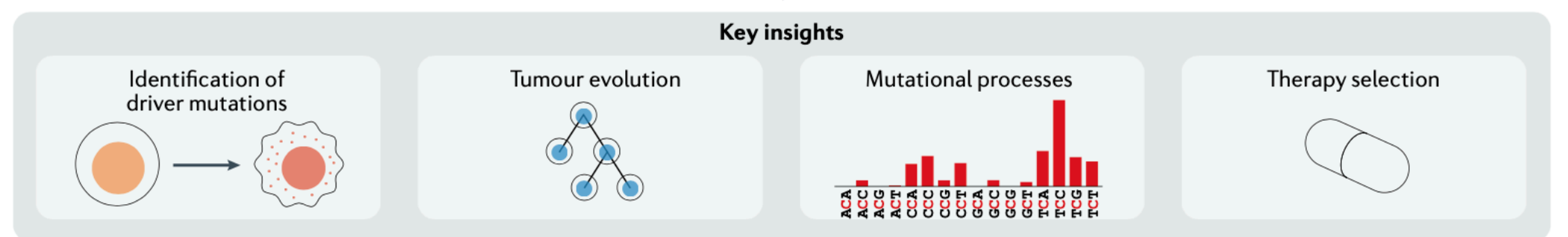
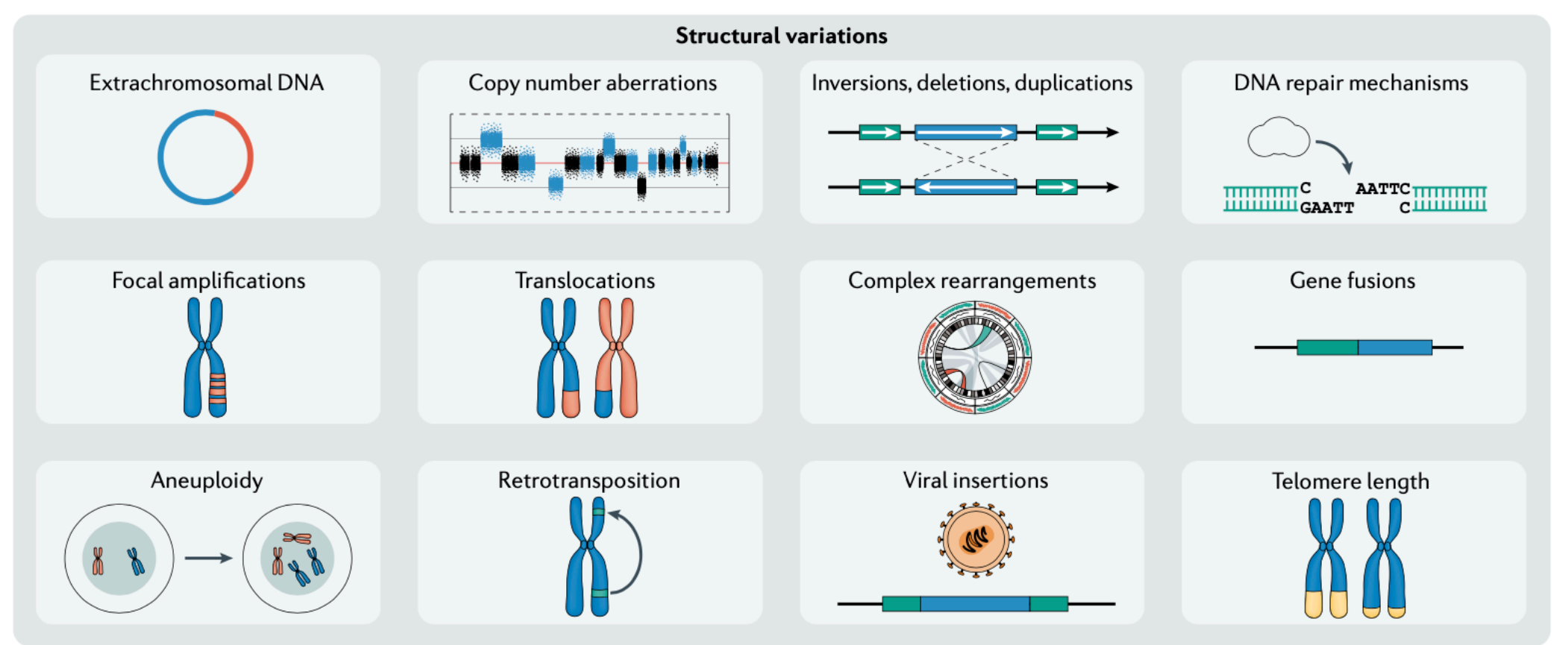
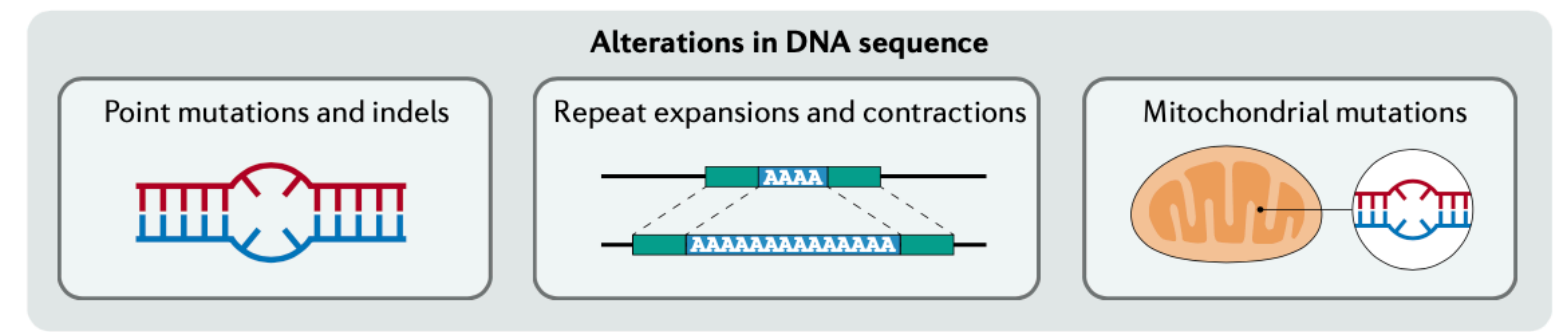


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## Computational analysis of cancer genome sequencing data

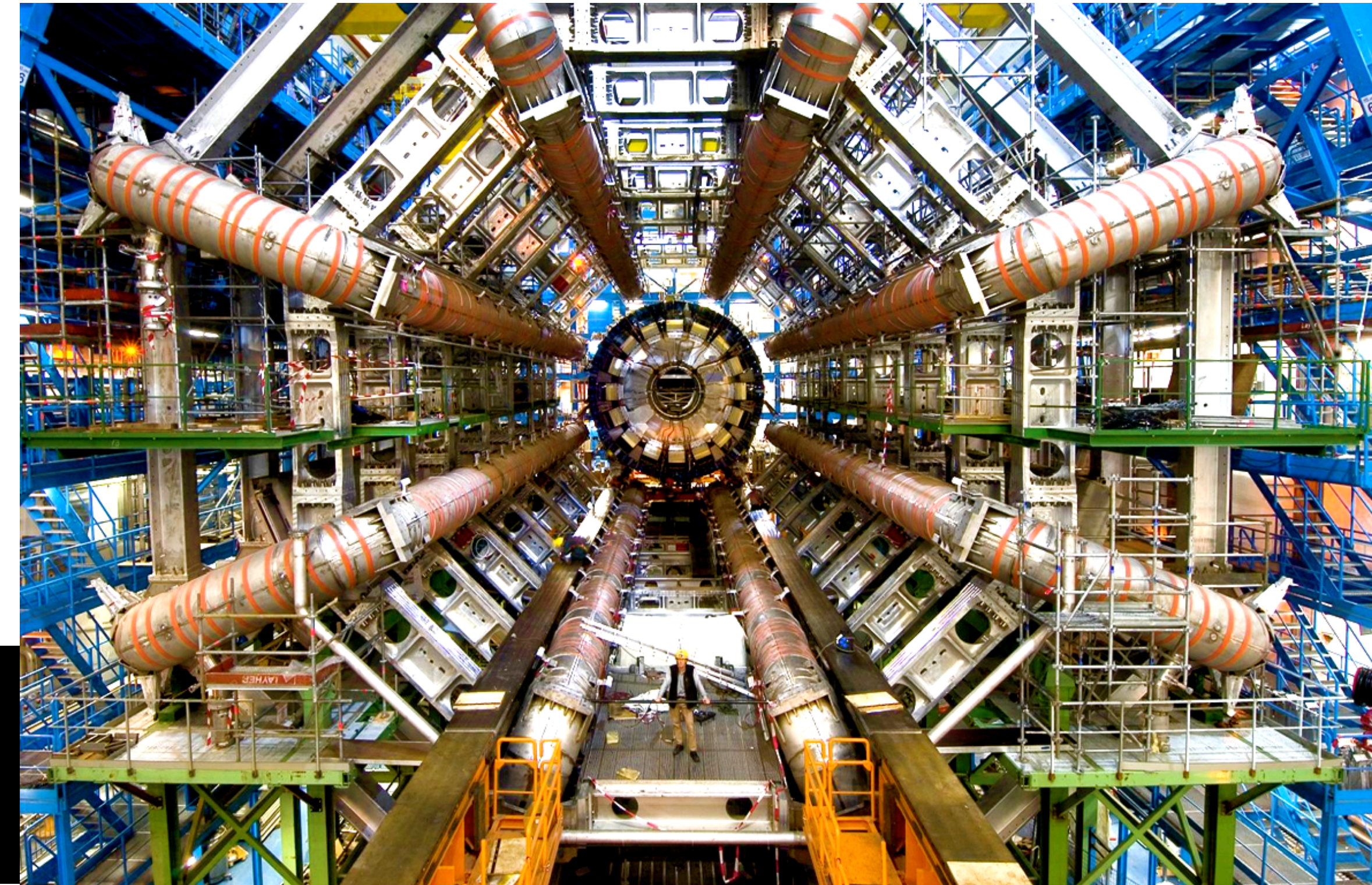
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**Hubble Telescope**  
50 Terabytes in 20 years



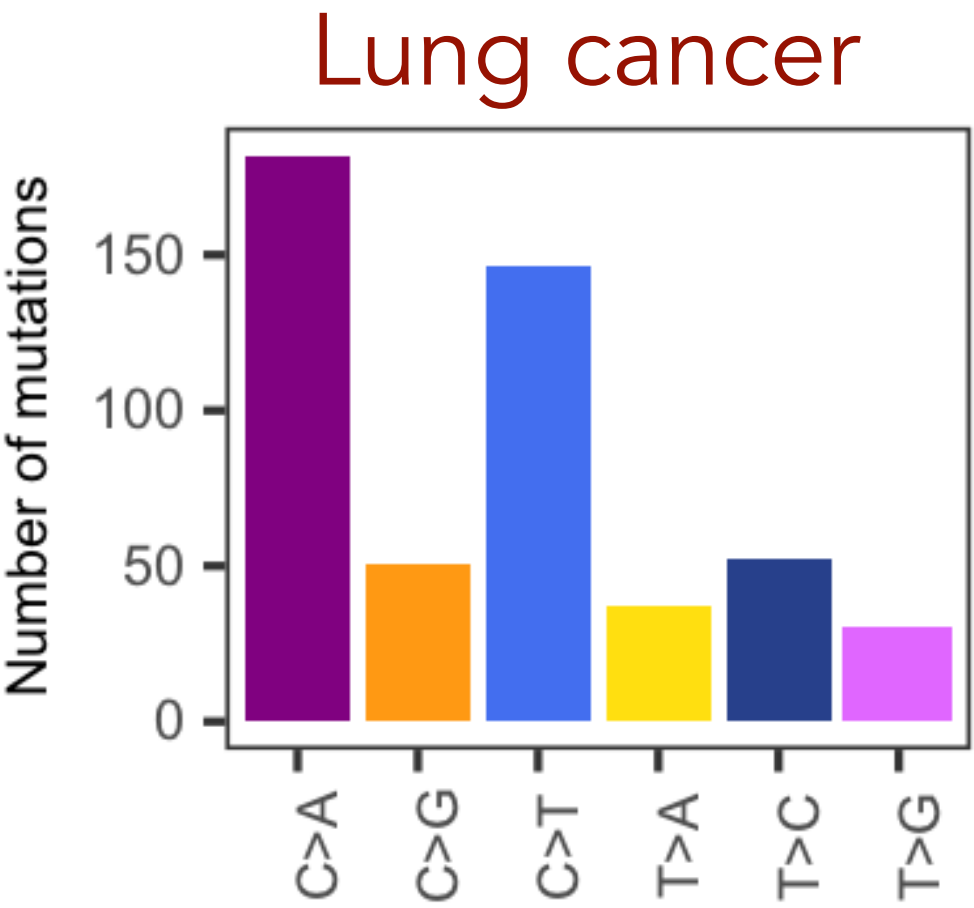
**Large Hadron Collider**  
15 Petabytes in 1 year



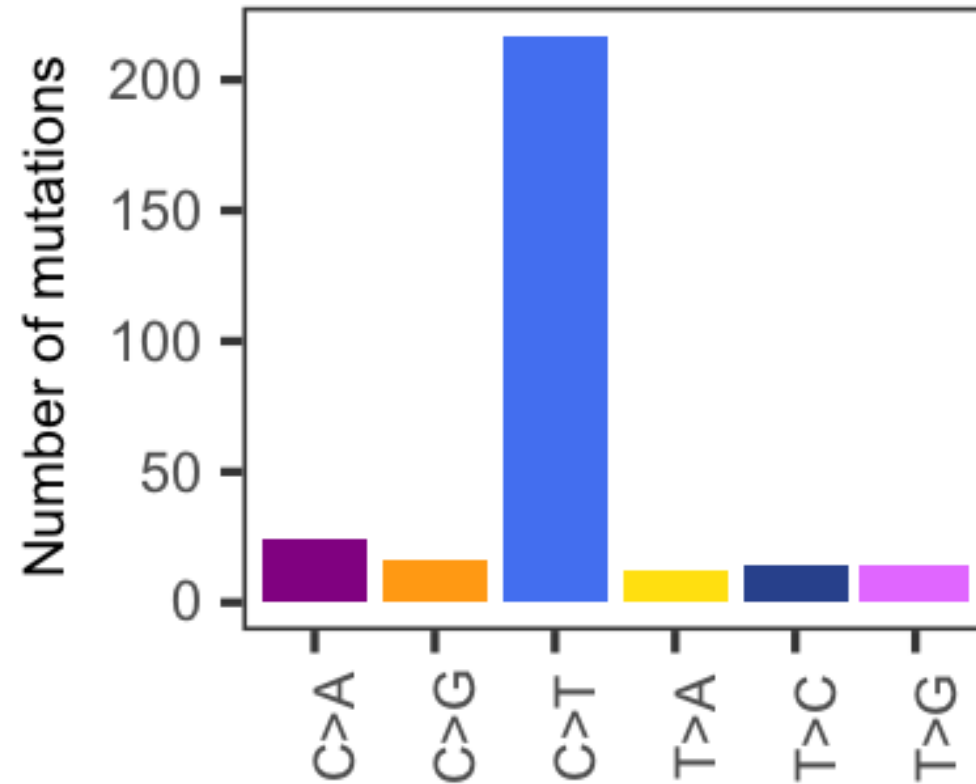
**My lab's data: 2.7 PB**

# Mutational signature analysis - introduction

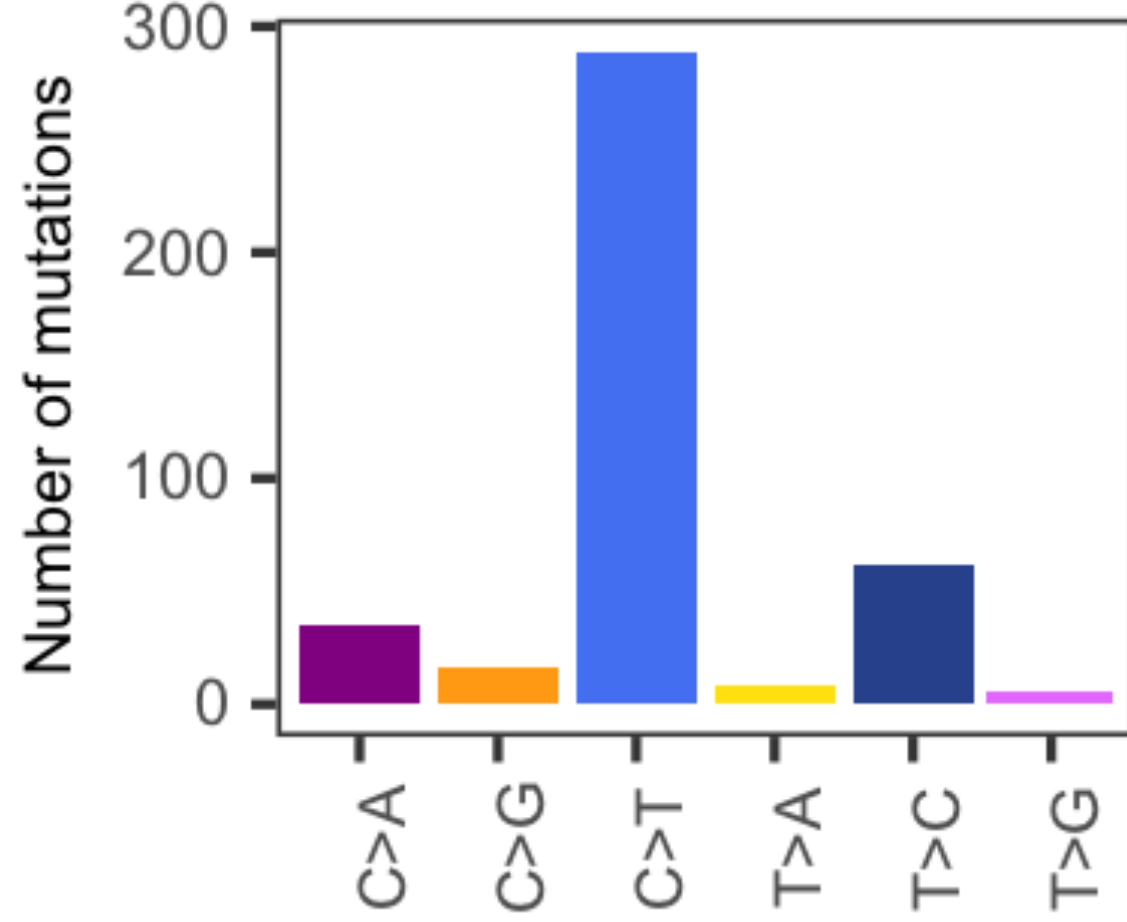
Different mutagenic mechanisms generate different errors on the DNA



### Melanoma, skin



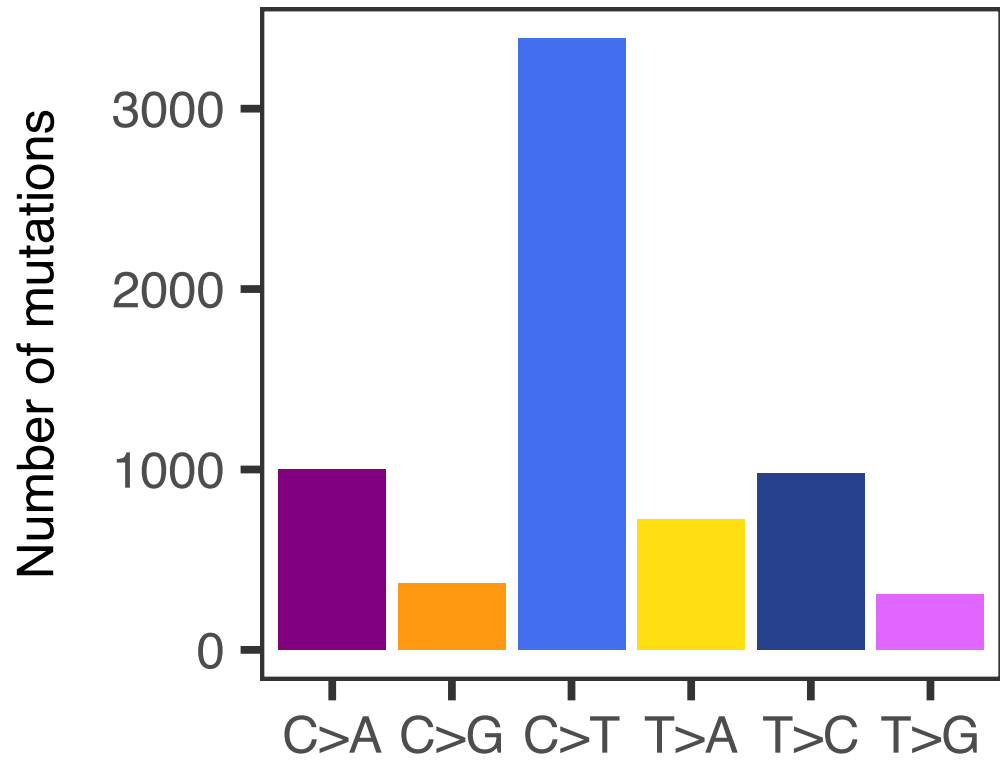
### Glioma, brain



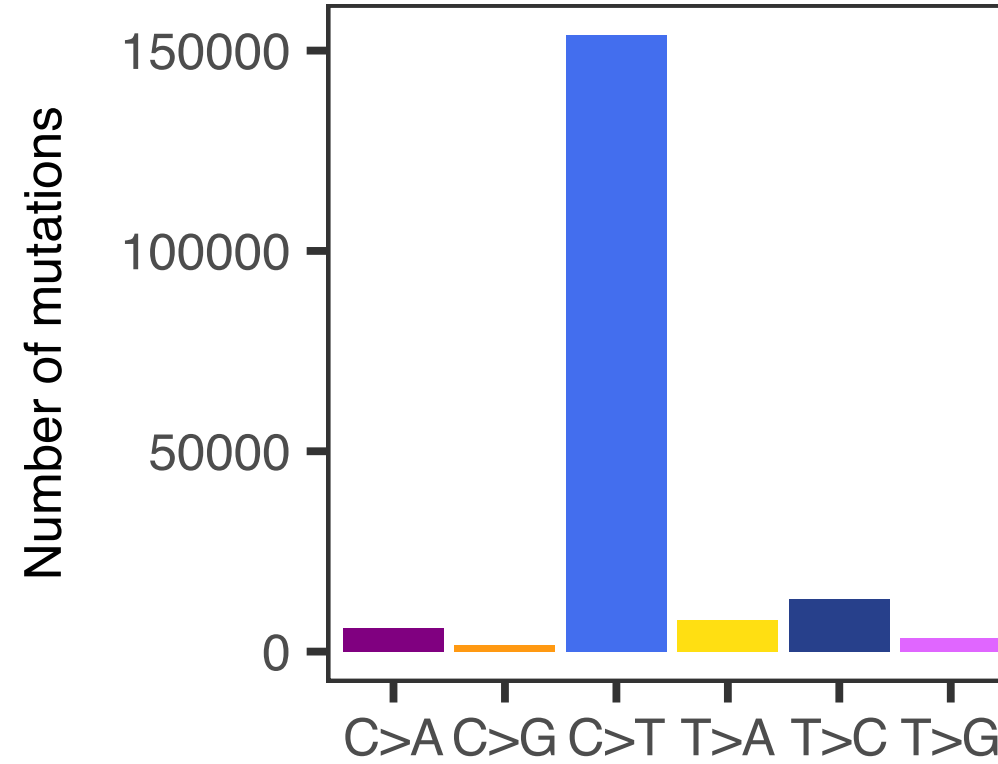
Very similar in 6 dimensions although the source is definitely different

# Neighboring nucleotides are informative

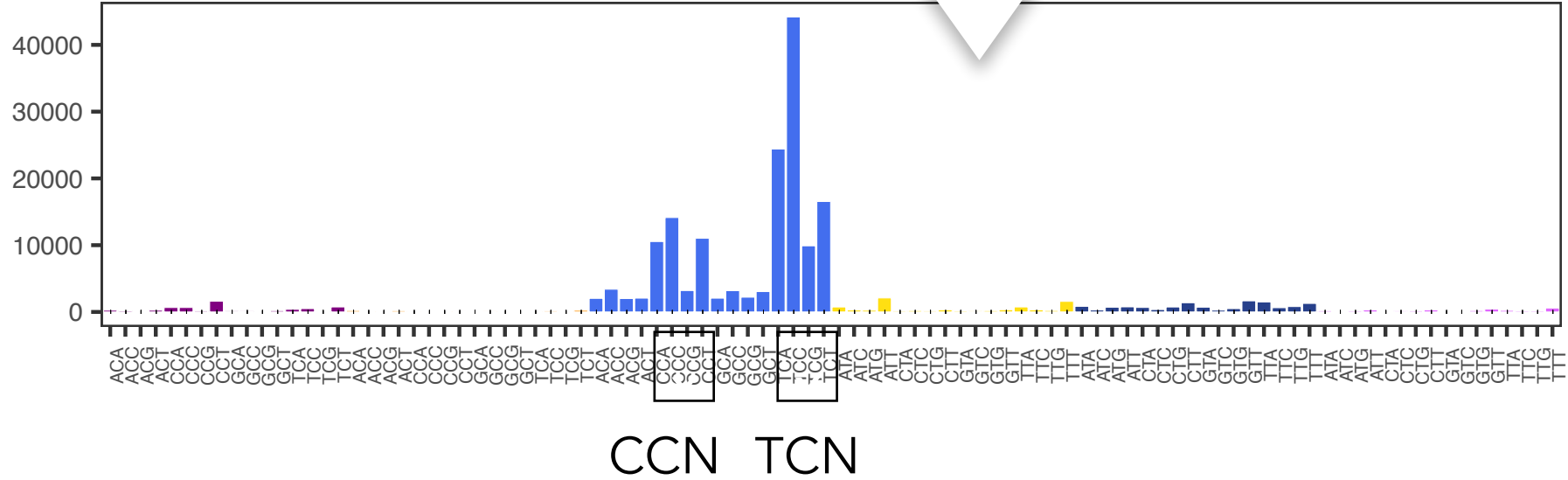
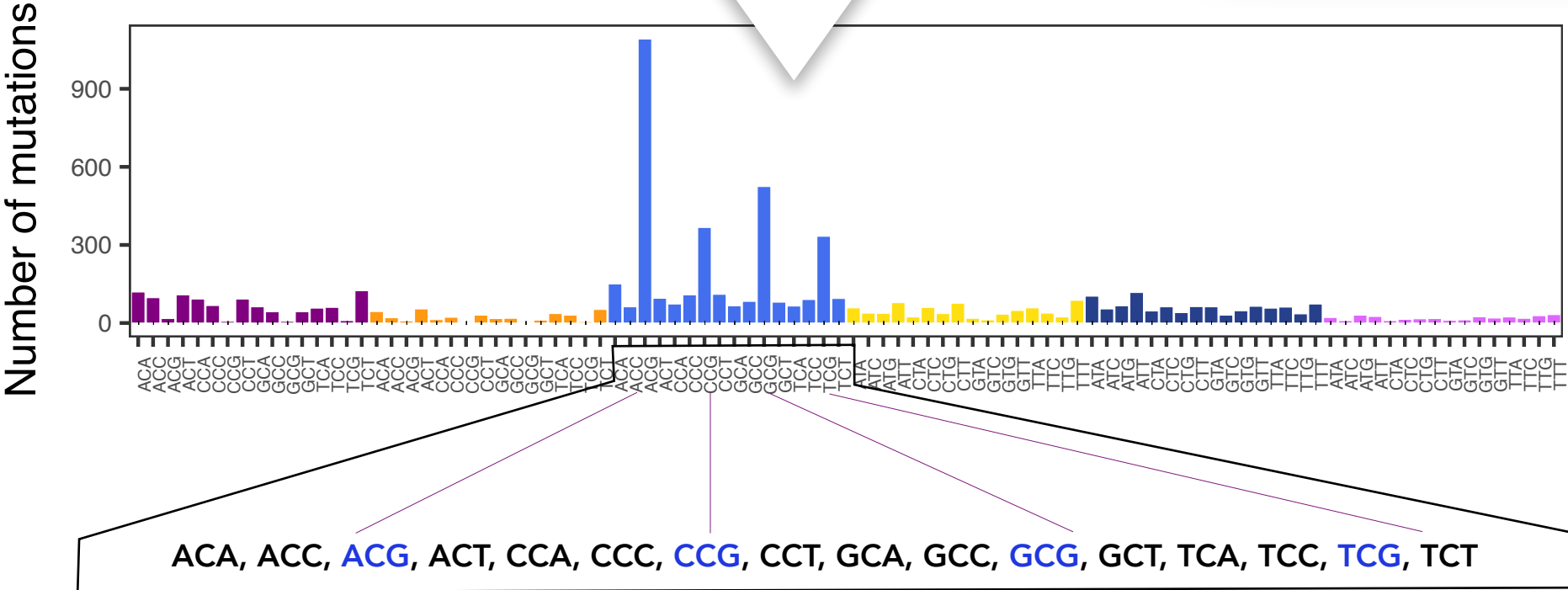
Brain cancer sample



Melanoma sample



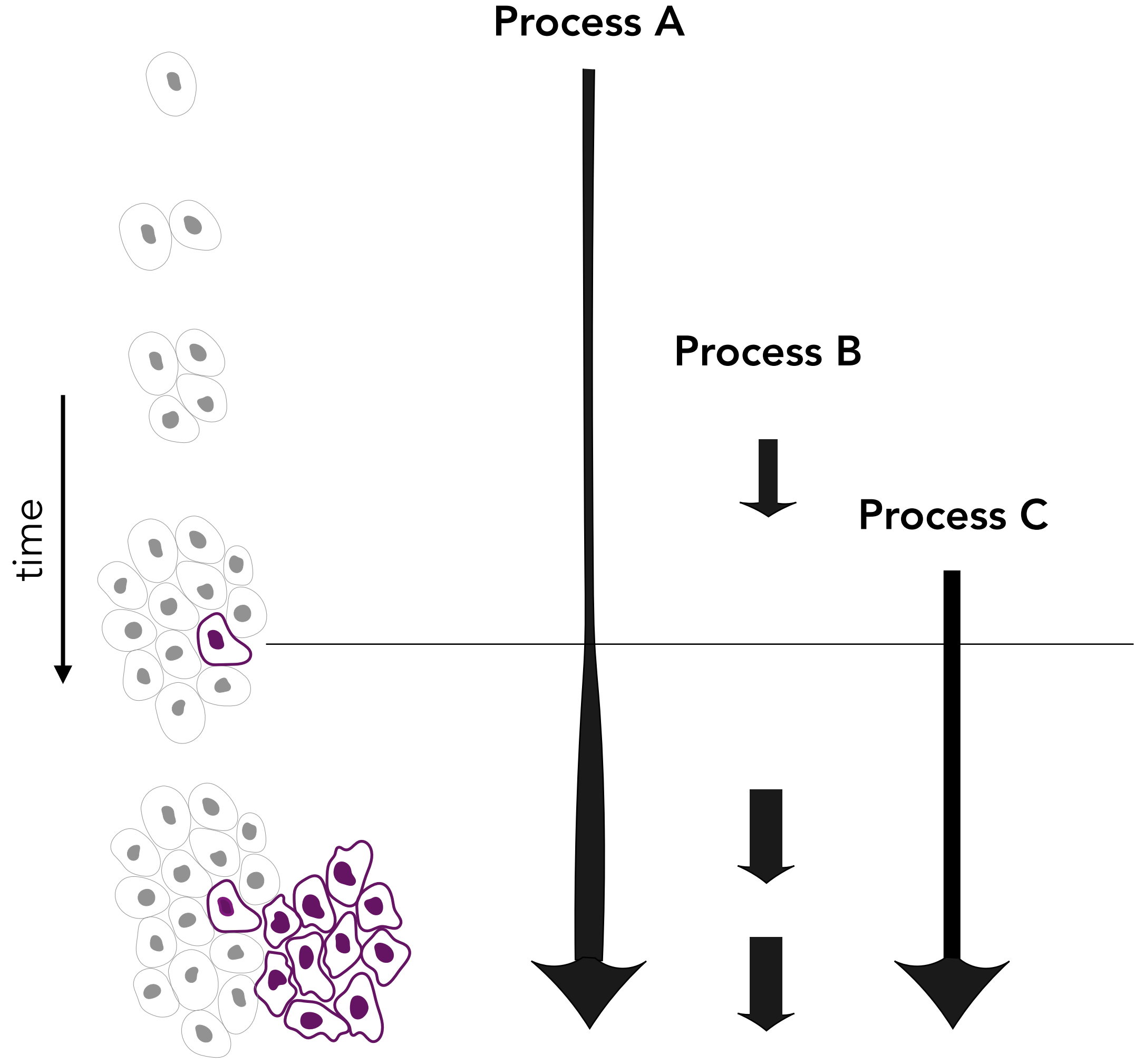
Trinucleotide context  
 $N[N>X]N$   
 $4 \times 6 \times 4 = 96$



> Spontaneous deamination of 5-methylcytosine

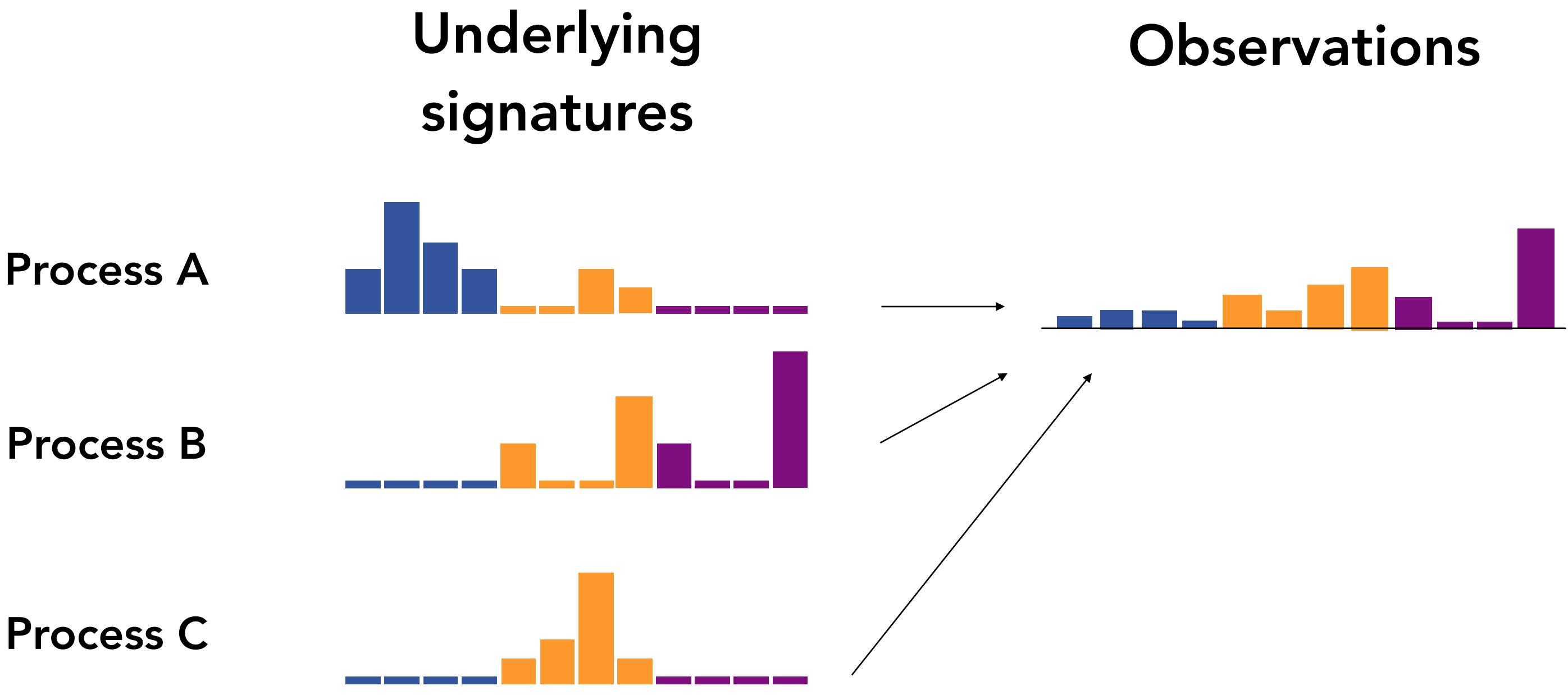
- > C>T at CCN and TCN
- > UV radiation is known to cause CC > TT

# More than one mutational process in a single tumor

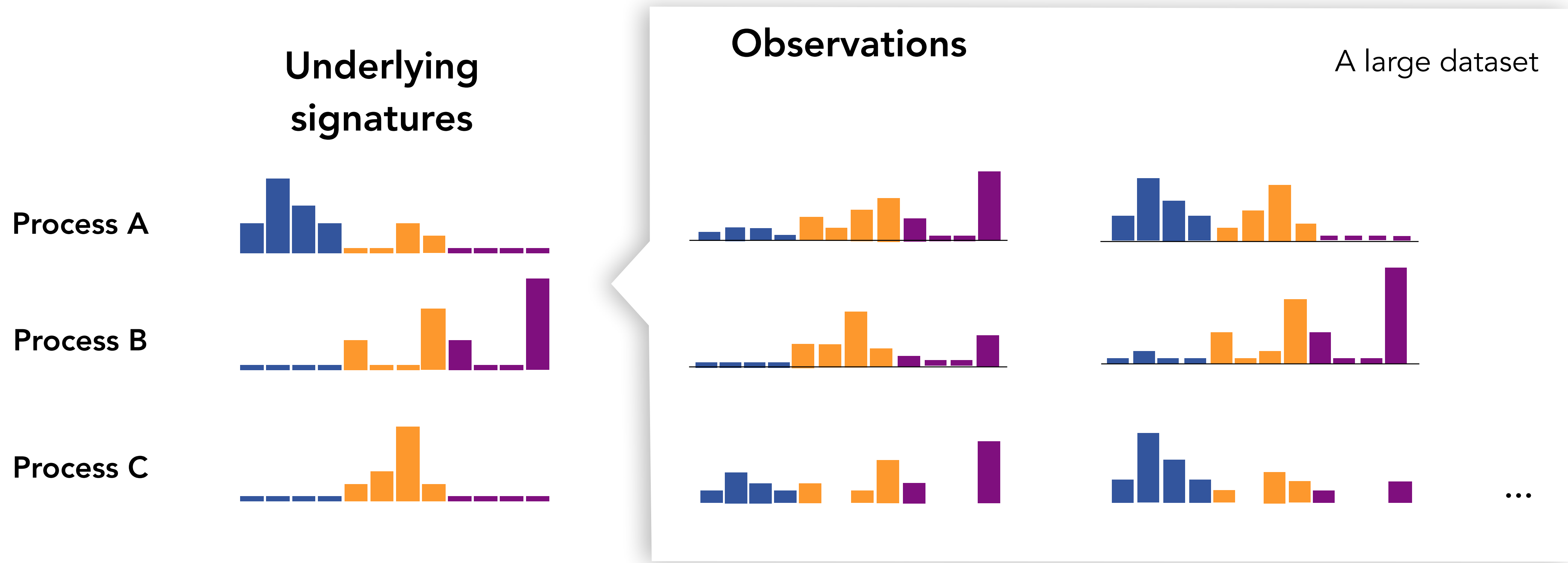




# Signal decomposition into multiple processes

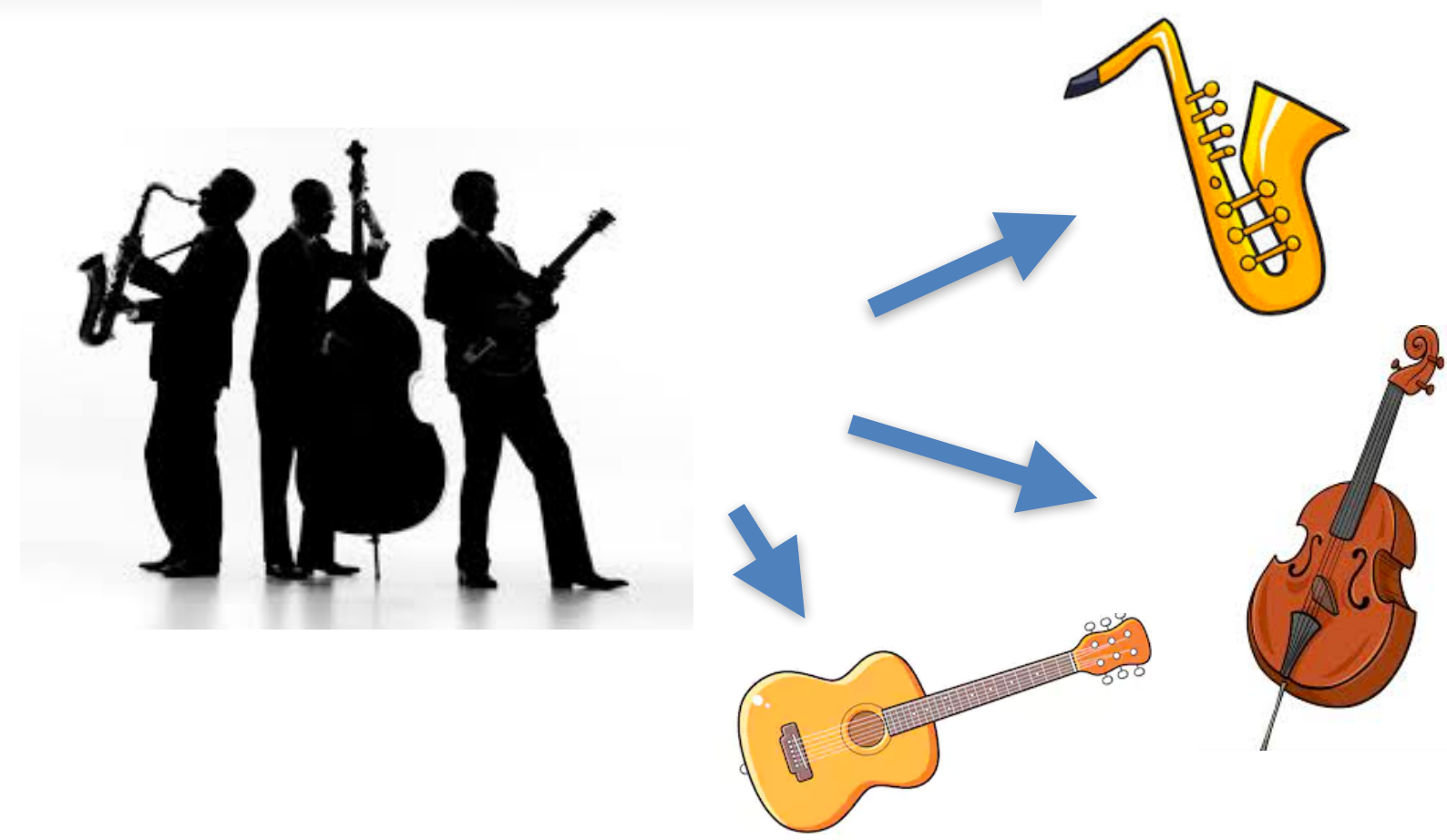


# Signal decomposition into multiple processes



**NMF**  
Non-negative matrix factorization

When enough observations are present pattern recognition algorithms can be used to discover the underlying signatures



# Non-negative matrix factorization

Mutation count matrix

row: mutation type

column: sample

$$X \in \mathbb{R}^{V \times D}$$

Mutation  
matrix

Signature  
matrix

Exposure  
matrix

$$X \approx WH$$

$$W \in \mathbb{R}^{V \times K} \quad H \in \mathbb{R}^{K \times D}$$

$K$  mutational signatures  $w_1, \dots, w_K$

Non-negativity constraint

(element-wise):

$$W, H \geq 0$$

NP-hard, requires an iterative algorithm for finding local minima

A probabilistic interpretation -> maximum likelihood approach

# Non-negative matrix factorization

## Learning the parts of objects by non-negative matrix factorization

Daniel D. Lee\* & H. Sebastian Seung\*†

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 † Department of Brain and Cognitive Sciences, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Cambridge, Massachusetts 02139, USA

Nature, 1999; cited 14000 times

$$V_{i\mu} \approx (WH)_{i\mu} = \sum_{a=1}^r W_{ia} H_{a\mu}$$

$$W_{ia} \leftarrow W_{ia} \sum_{\mu} \frac{V_{i\mu}}{(WH)_{i\mu}} H_{a\mu}$$

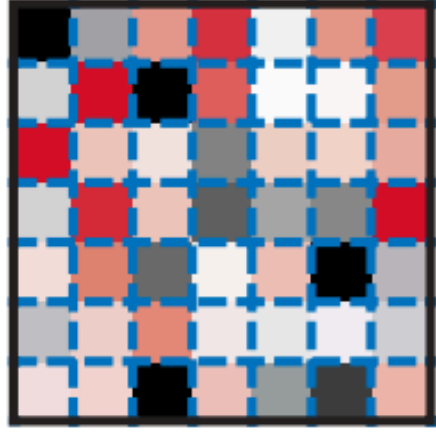
$$W_{ia} \leftarrow \frac{W_{ia}}{\sum_j W_{ja}}$$

$$H_{a\mu} \leftarrow H_{a\mu} \sum_i W_{ia} \frac{V_{i\mu}}{(WH)_{i\mu}}$$

PCA



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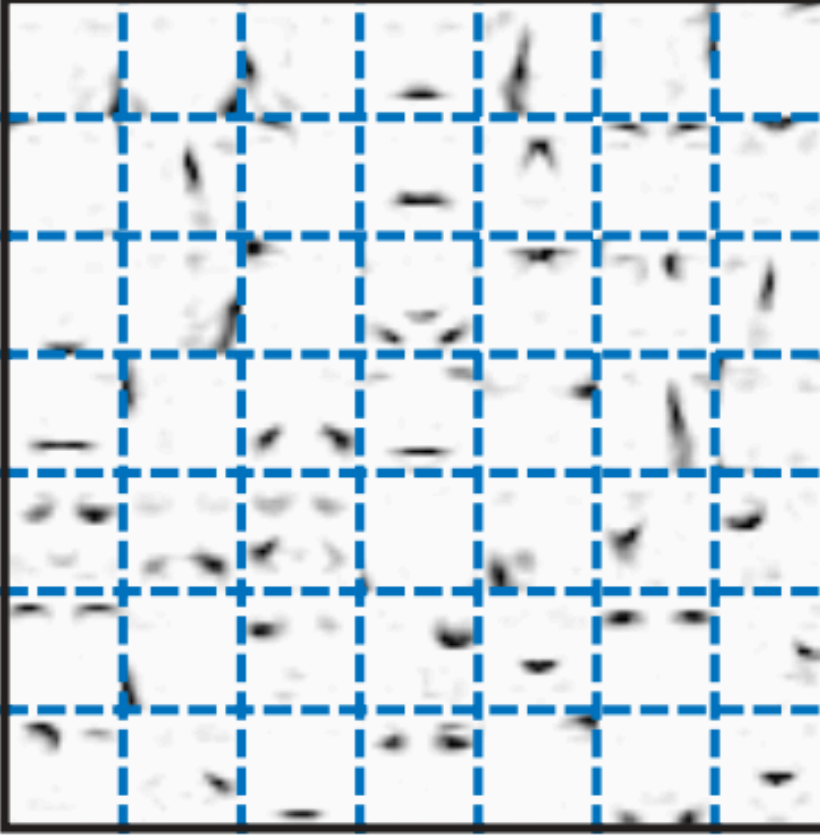


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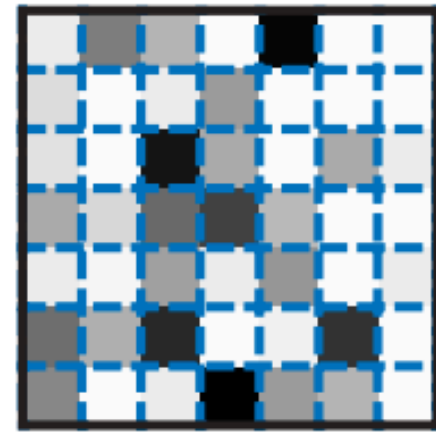


Decomposed using a dataset of >2400 images; 49 basis; black-positive, red-negative;

NMF



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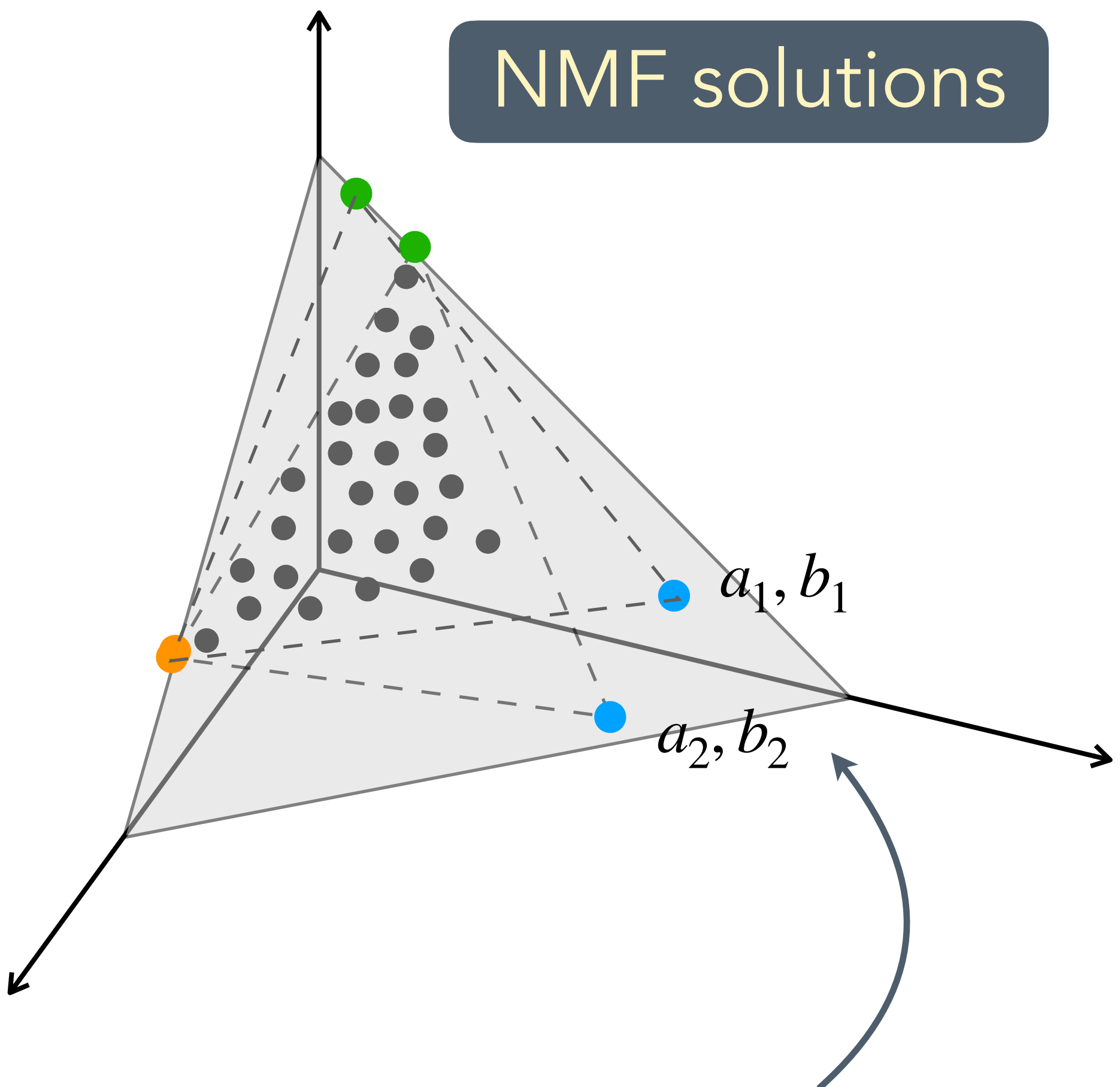
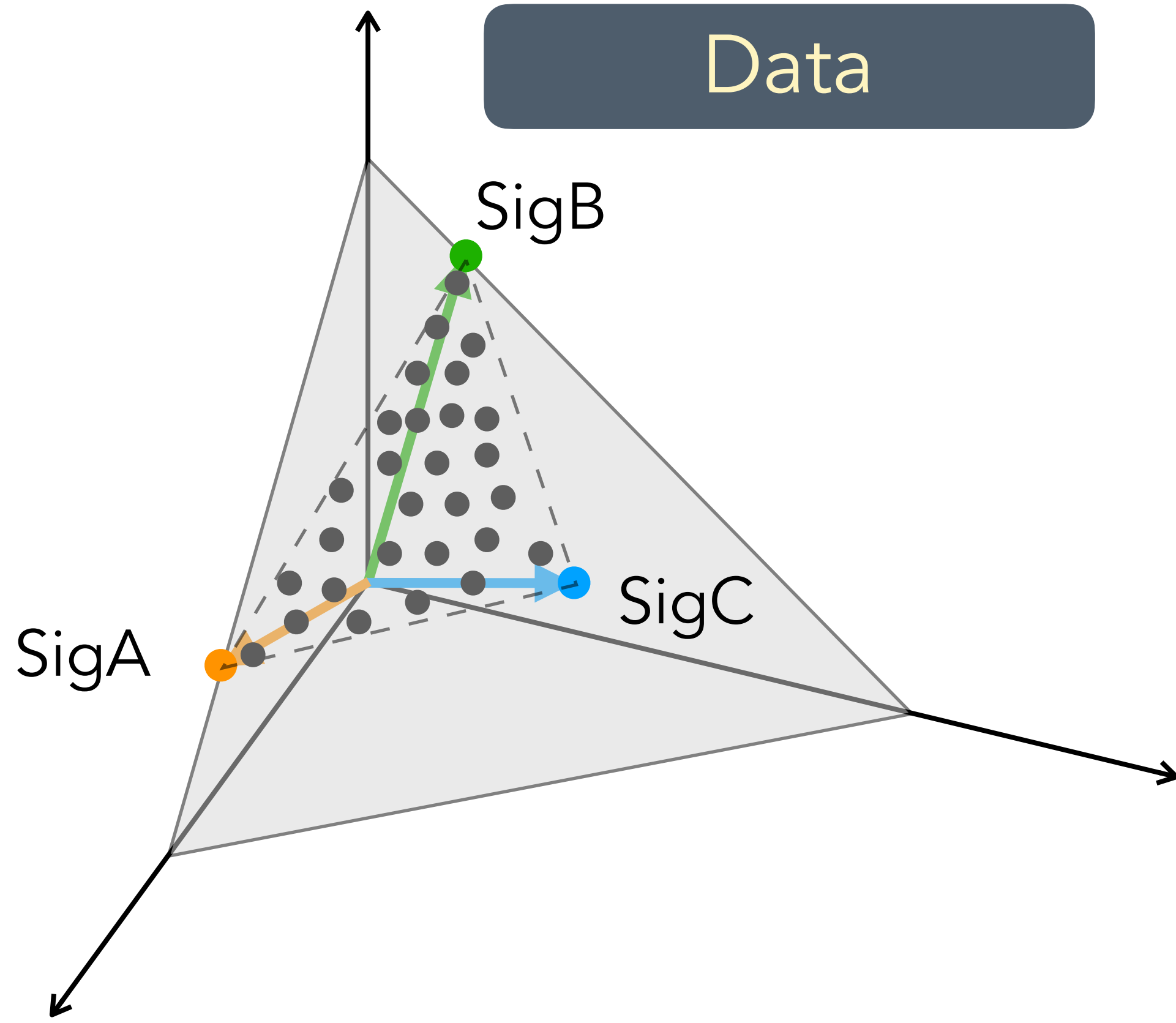
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Original



# Non-uniqueness of NMF solutions

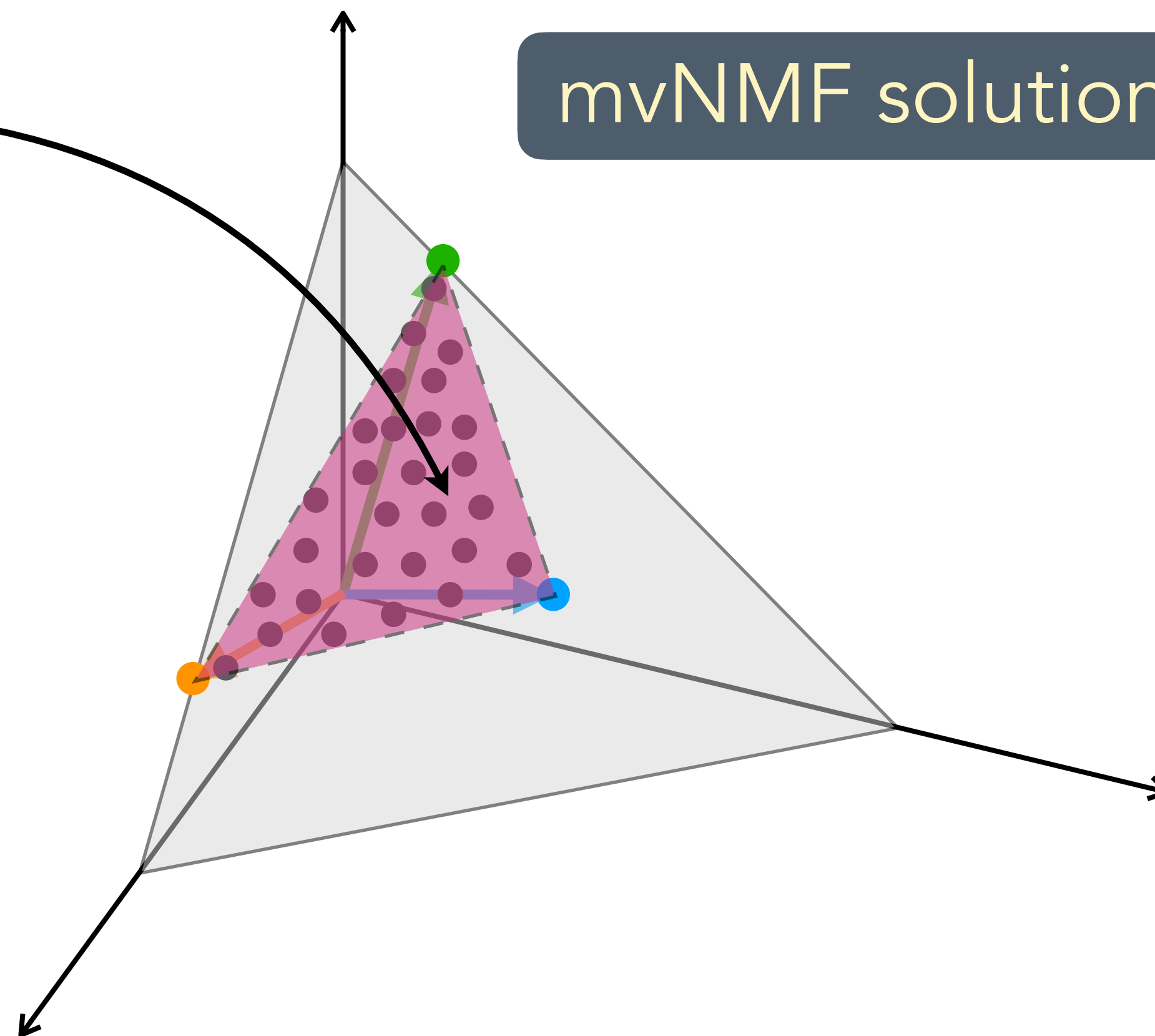


Many possible solutions because of non-uniqueness

# Minimum-volume NMF (mvNMF)

mvNMF penalizes the **volume** spanned by the signatures and induces a unique solution.

mvNMF solution



mvNMF:

Craig et al., *IEEE Transactions on Geoscience and Remote Sensing*, 1994

Miao et al., *IEEE Transactions on Geoscience and Remote Sensing*, 2007

Leplat et al., *IEEE Transactions on Signal Processing*, 2020

But the signatures  
are correlated...

$$\mathcal{L}(L, U, W, \alpha, \sigma^2) = -D_{\text{KL}}(X || WH) - \frac{m}{2}(K + D) \log(2\pi\sigma^2) - \frac{1}{2\sigma^2} \left( \sum_k \|\ell_k\|^2 + \sum_d \|u_d\|^2 \right),$$

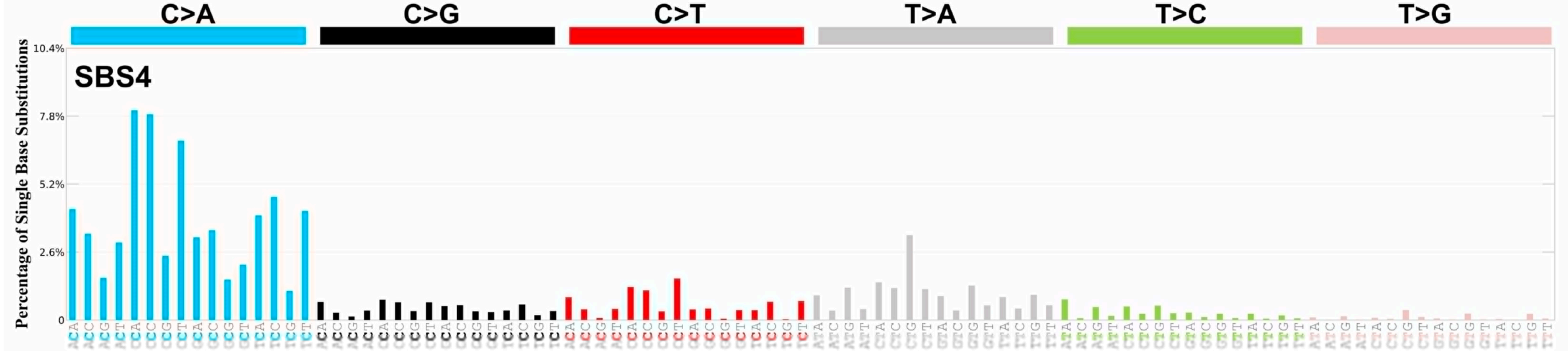
# Catalog of mutational signatures



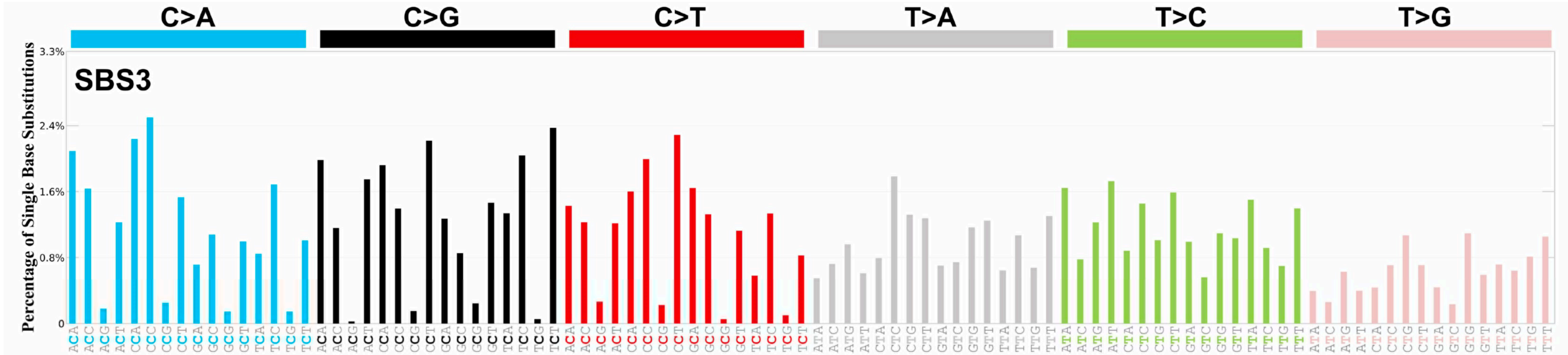
Alexandrov et al, *Nature* (2013)

# Mutational signatures - examples

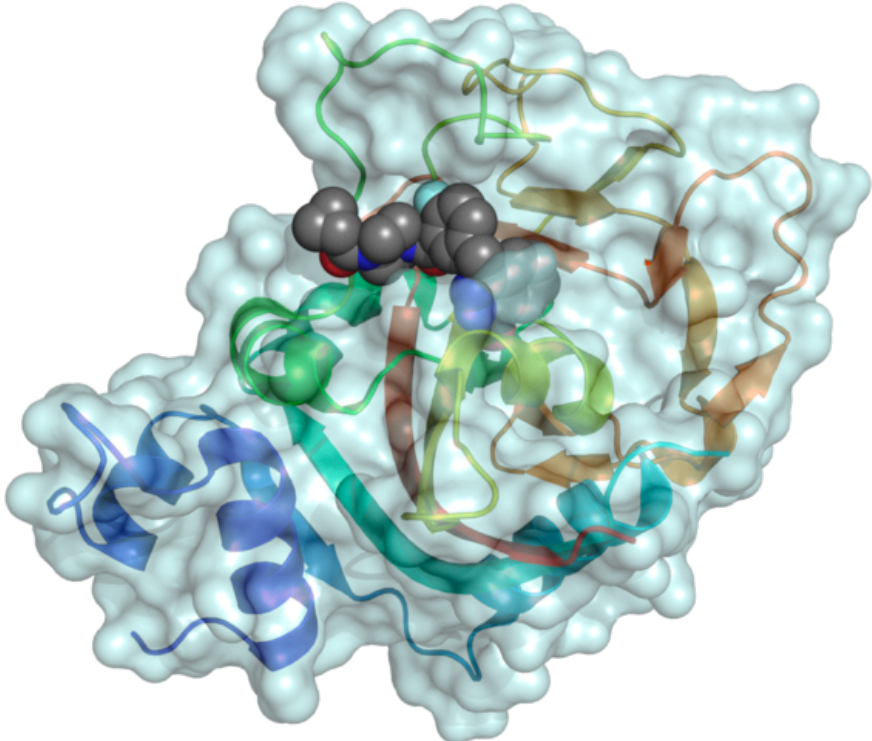
Smoking



Homologous recombination deficiency



If your tumor genome shows SBS3, you should be considered for PARP inhibitor treatment.



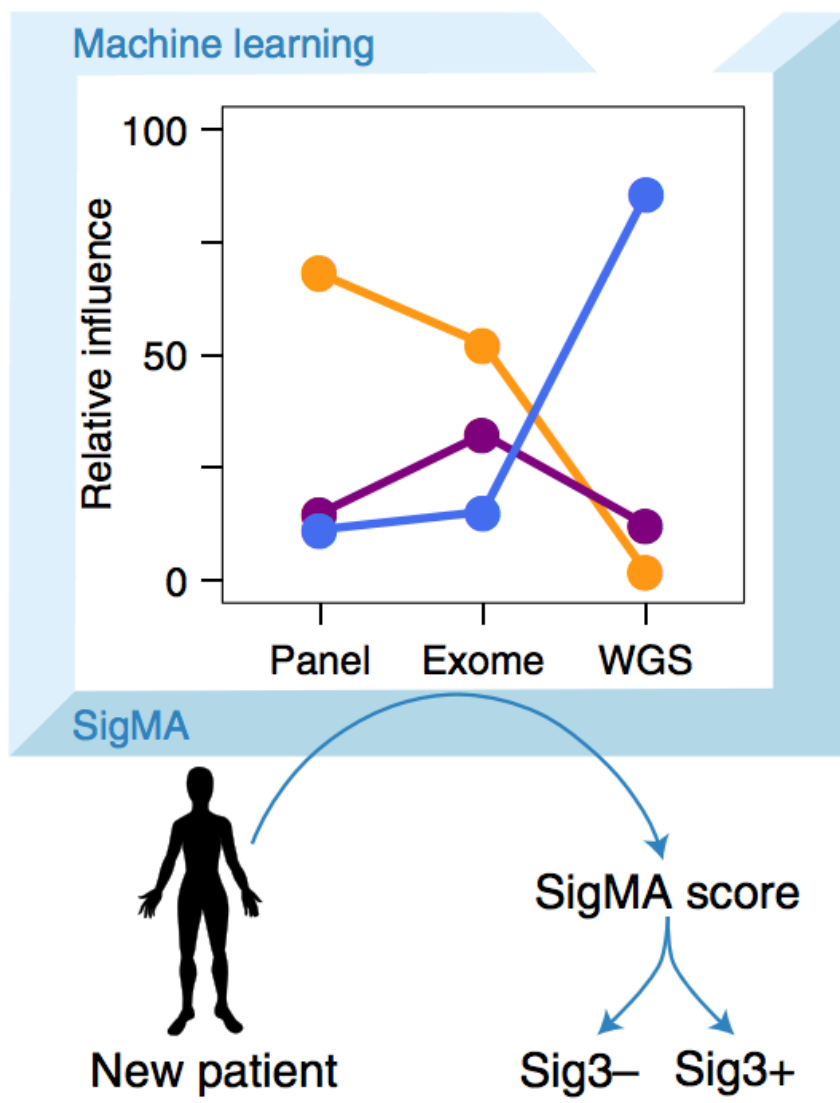
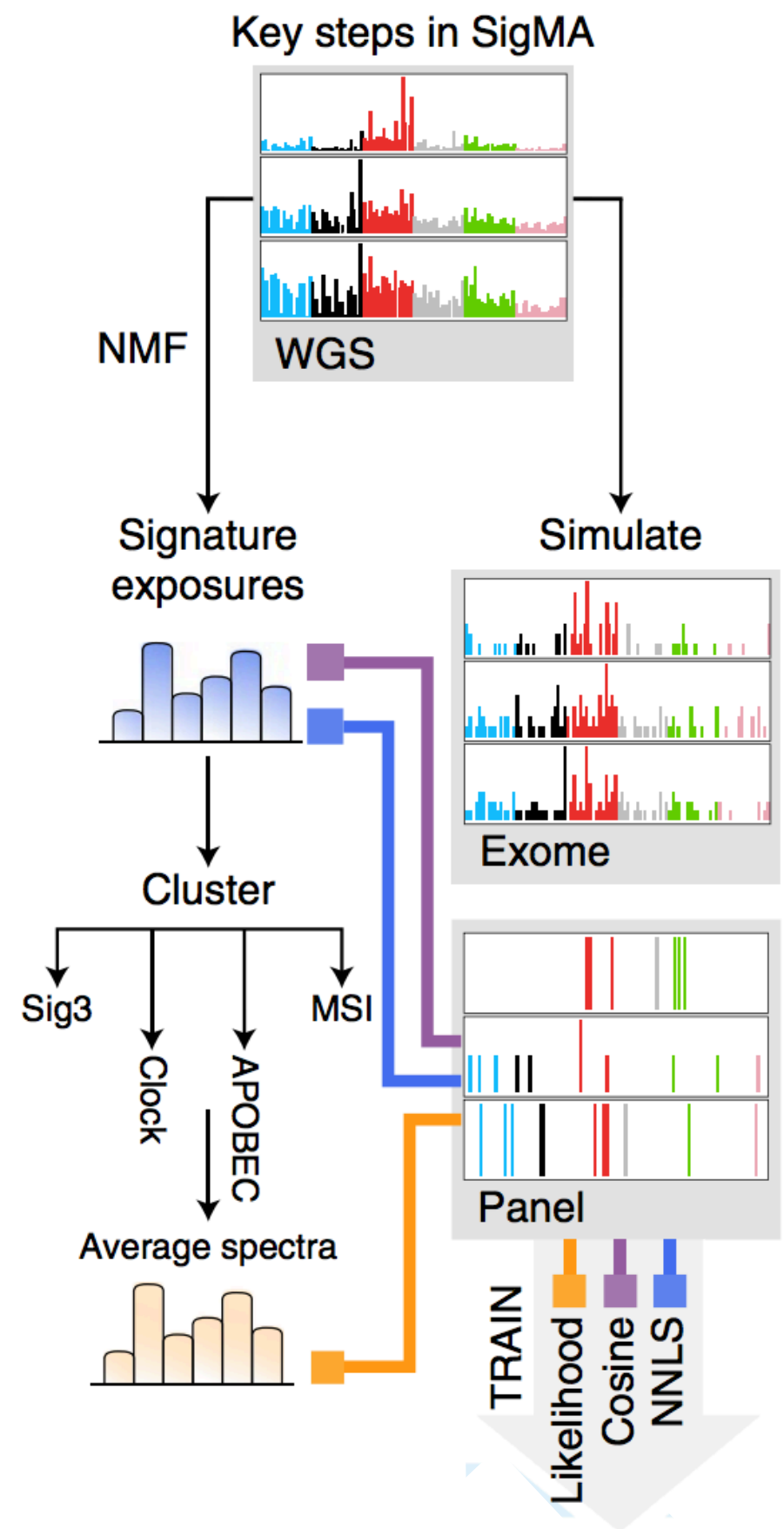


# Catalog of mutational signatures



- How many signatures are there?
- More data -> more signatures?
- What is the mechanism behind each signature?
- What is the best way to determine whether a given patient has a specific signature?
- Are there signatures for other types of mutations?
- Can we identify signatures from blood DNA?

# Mutational signature analysis methods

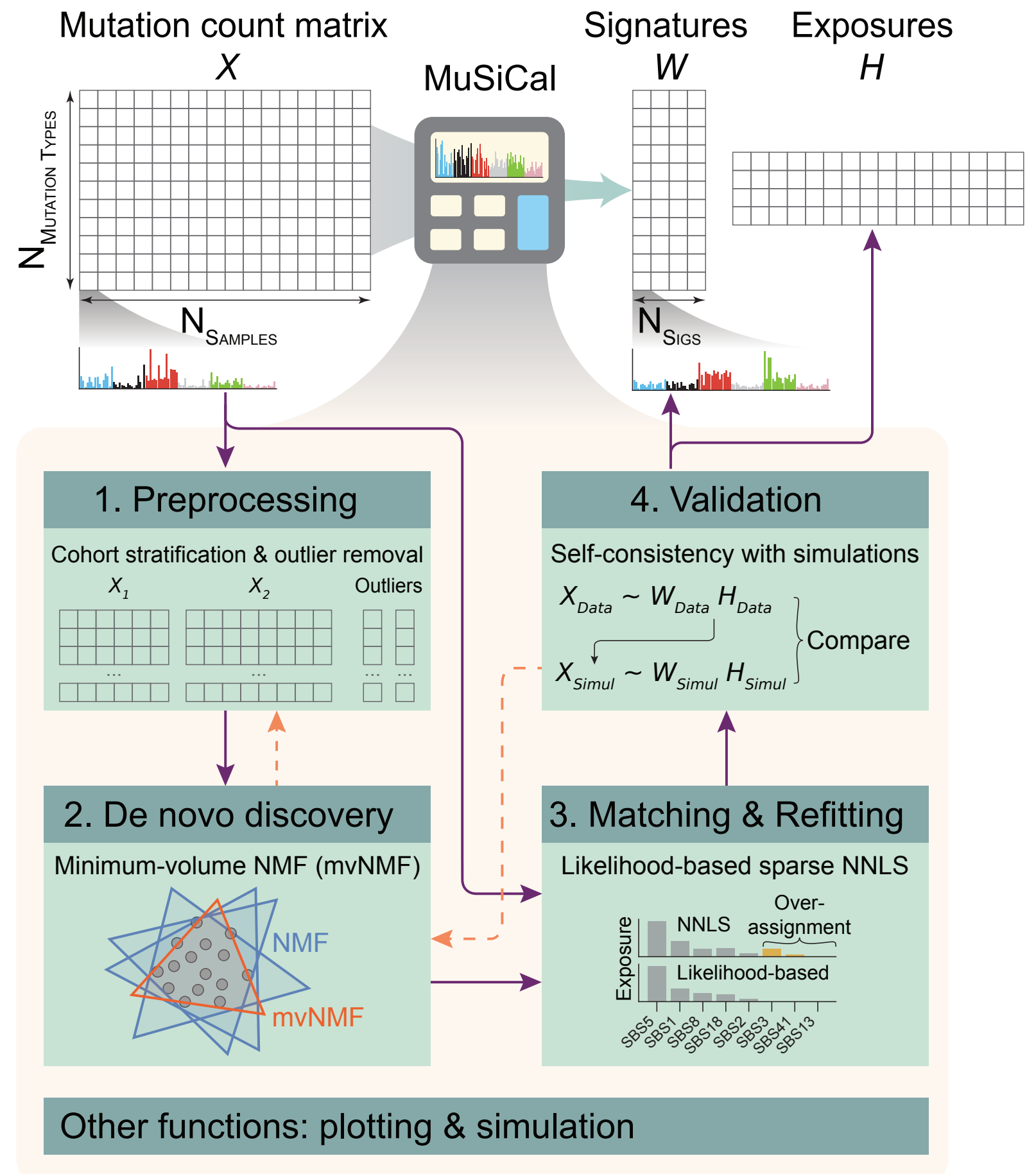


Can we find patients who should receive PARP inhibitor?

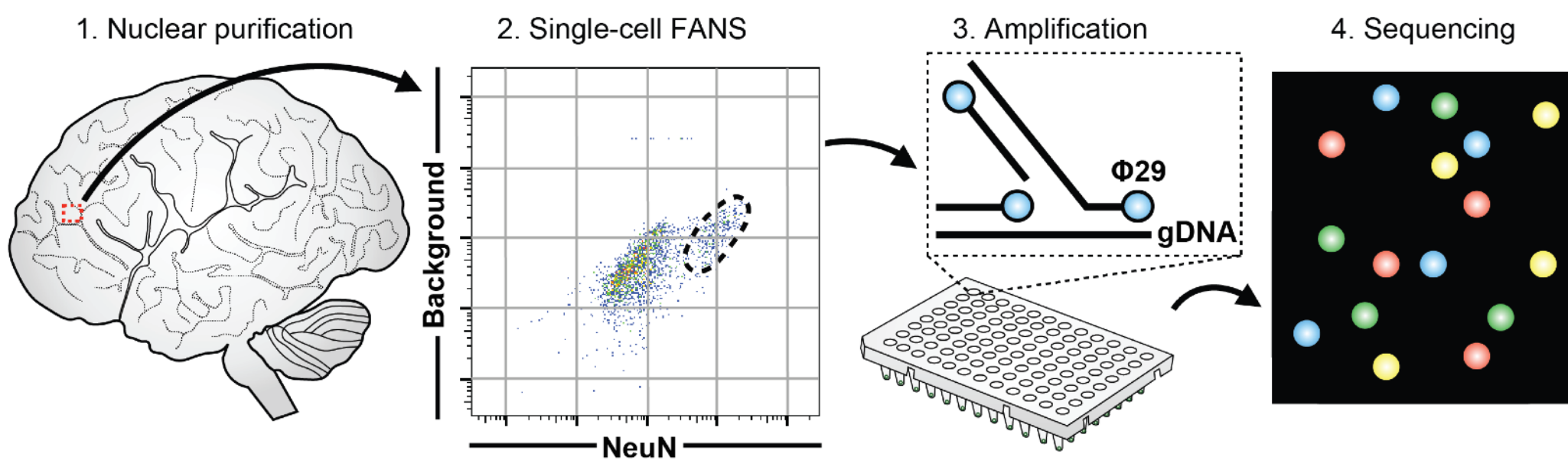
**SigMA**  
Signature Multivariate Analysis  
Gulhan et al, *Nature Genetics*, 2019

**MuSiCal:**  
Mutational Signature Calculator  
Hu et al, *Nature Genetics*, in press

Can we find signatures more accurately?



# Studying mutations in single cells and in the brain



## Somatic mutation in single human neurons tracks developmental and transcriptional history

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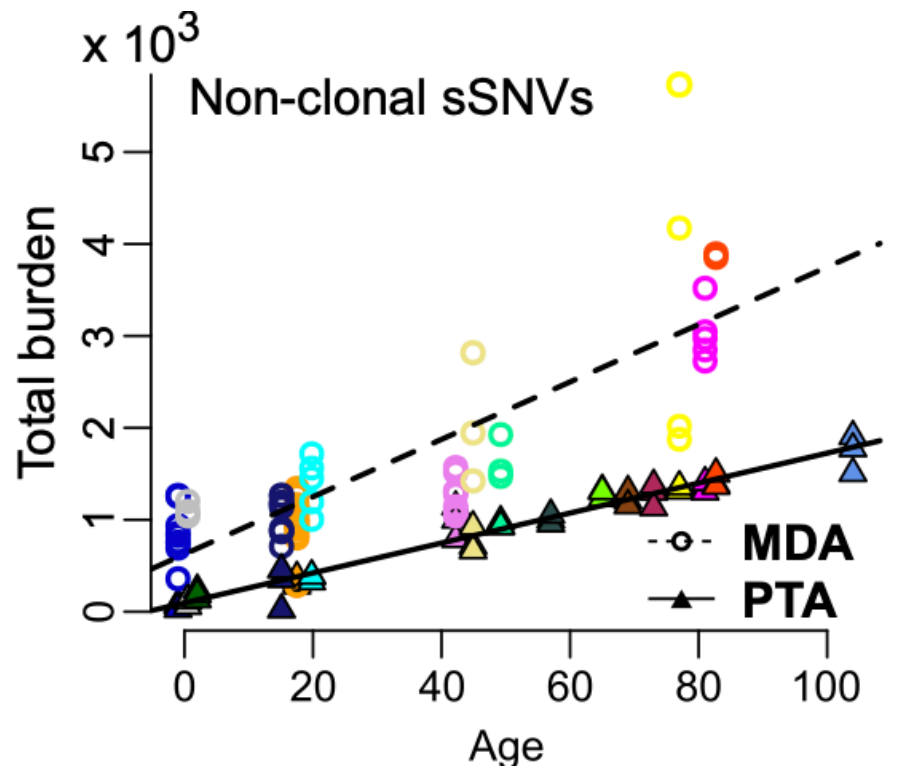
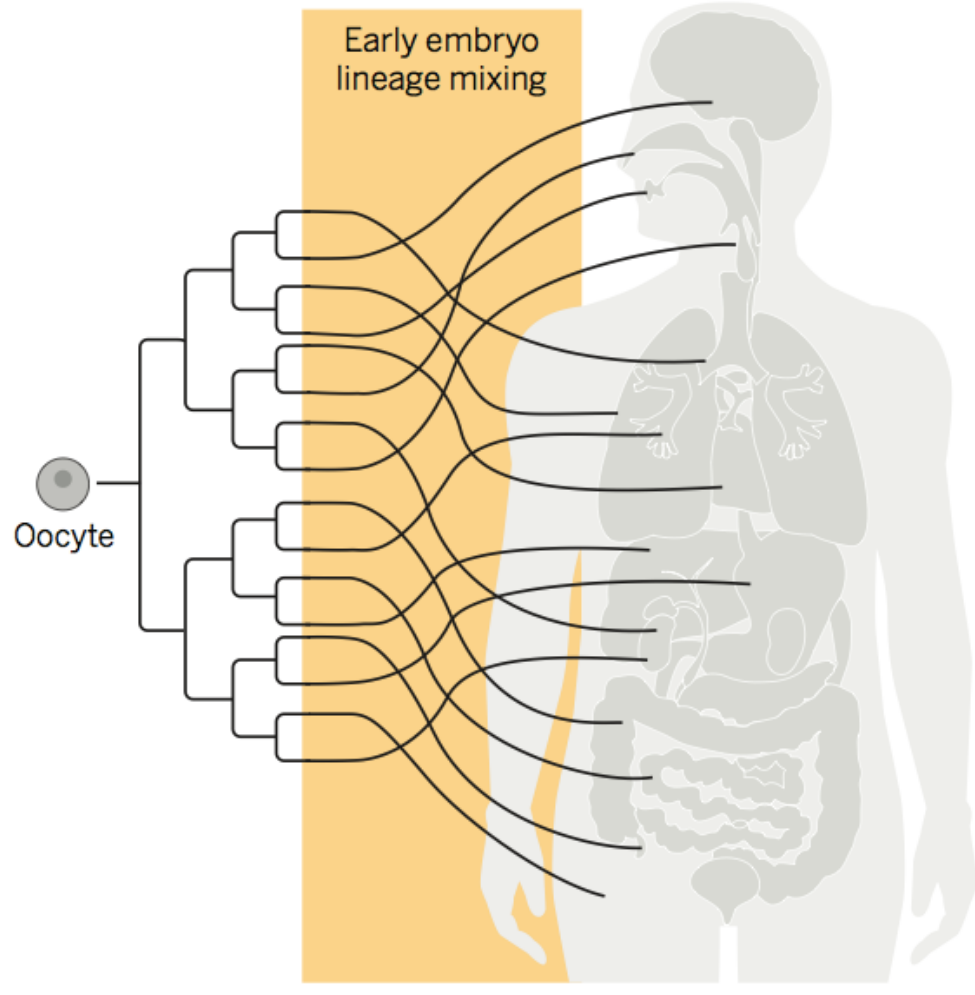
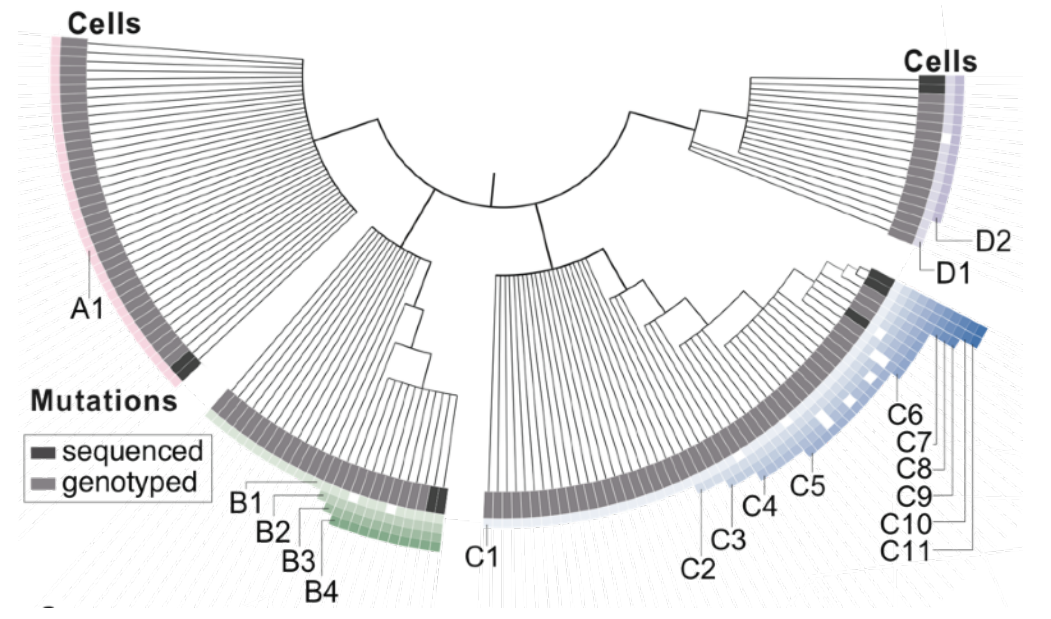
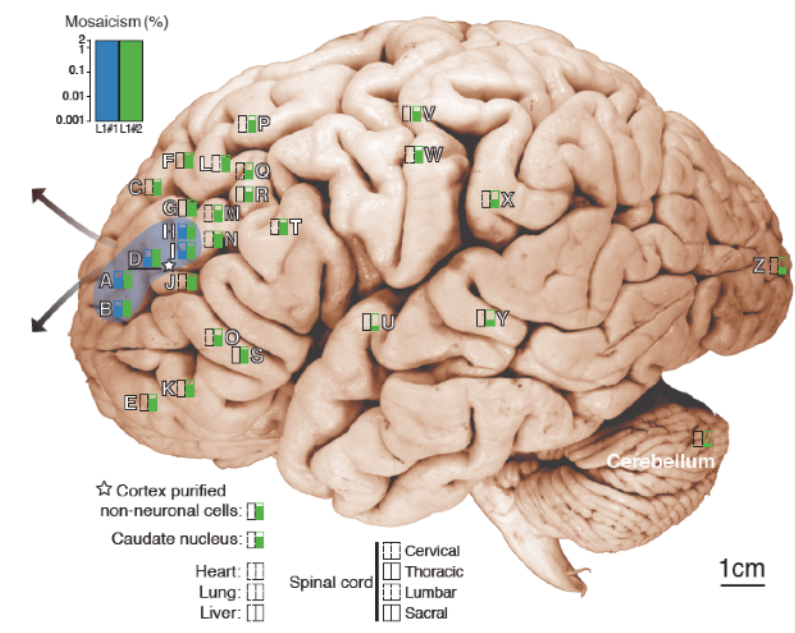
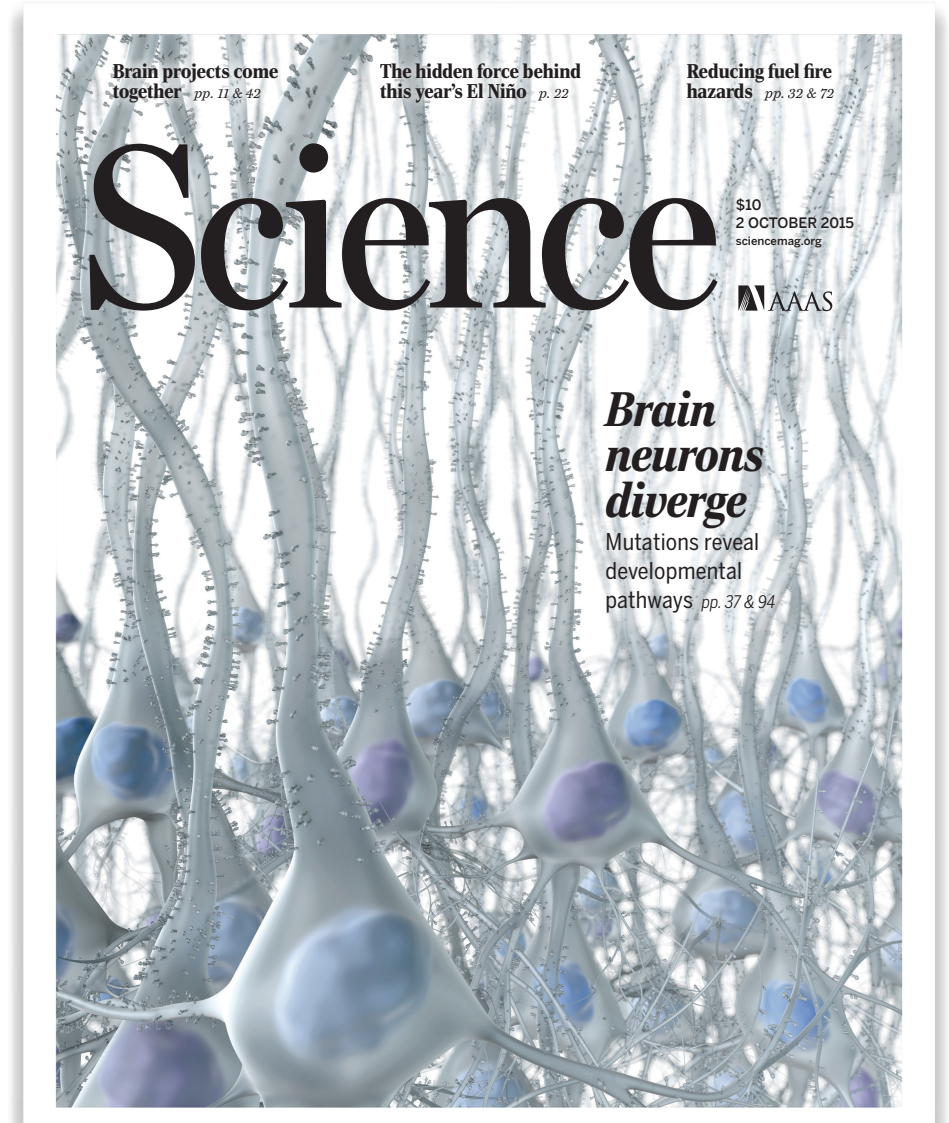
## Aging and neurodegeneration are associated with increased mutations in single human neurons

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### DEVELOPMENT

## Landmarks of human embryonic development inscribed in somatic mutations

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~17 somatic SNVs/year per neuron

Evrony et al, *Neuron*, 2015  
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- Persi Diaconis