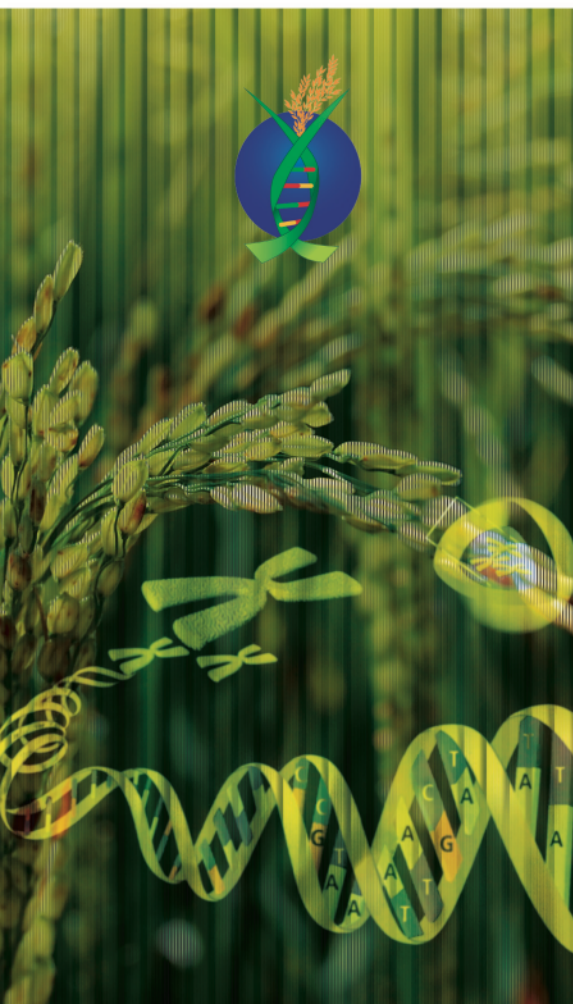




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Meiotic recombination in rice is modified by structural genomic variation

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Diversity, **A**daptation and **D**evelopment
of plants

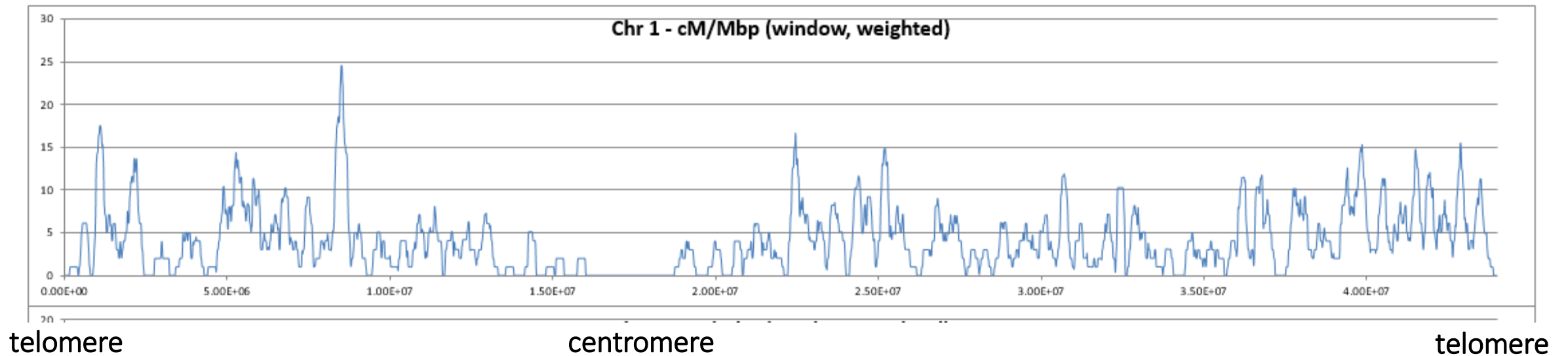


Alliance



(Plant Genome I, 1992)

Local
recombination rate



Local recombination rate (in cM/Mbp) along rice chromosome 1

Why is recombination important?

- Academically interesting: how meiotic recombination works
- Genetic recombination is the basis of **plant breeding**
 - Phenotypes of progeny depend largely on recombination
 - More recombinants = higher $p(\text{interesting phenotype})$

Understanding the laws of recombination means ability to *predict* it...
...so we can select the best progenitors for breeding

Some known factors that affect recombination in plants

GC3 content

Serres-Giardi et al (2012). The Plant Cell, three grass species

Sequence peculiarities in and around 'hot spots'

Kianian et al (2018). Nature Communications, maize

de Haas et al (2017). DNA research, tomato

Pericentromeric heterochromatin/DAPI-bright regions

Cheng et al (2001). Genome Research, Rice

de Haas et al (2017). DNA research, tomato

Certain genes families

Chen et al (2017) Plos One, Cotton

Genes and TEs abundance

Colomé-Tatché et al (2012). PNAS, Arabidopsis

DNA methylation

Mirouze et al (2012). PNAS, Arabidopsis

... and many more

Is genomic structural variation also a factor?

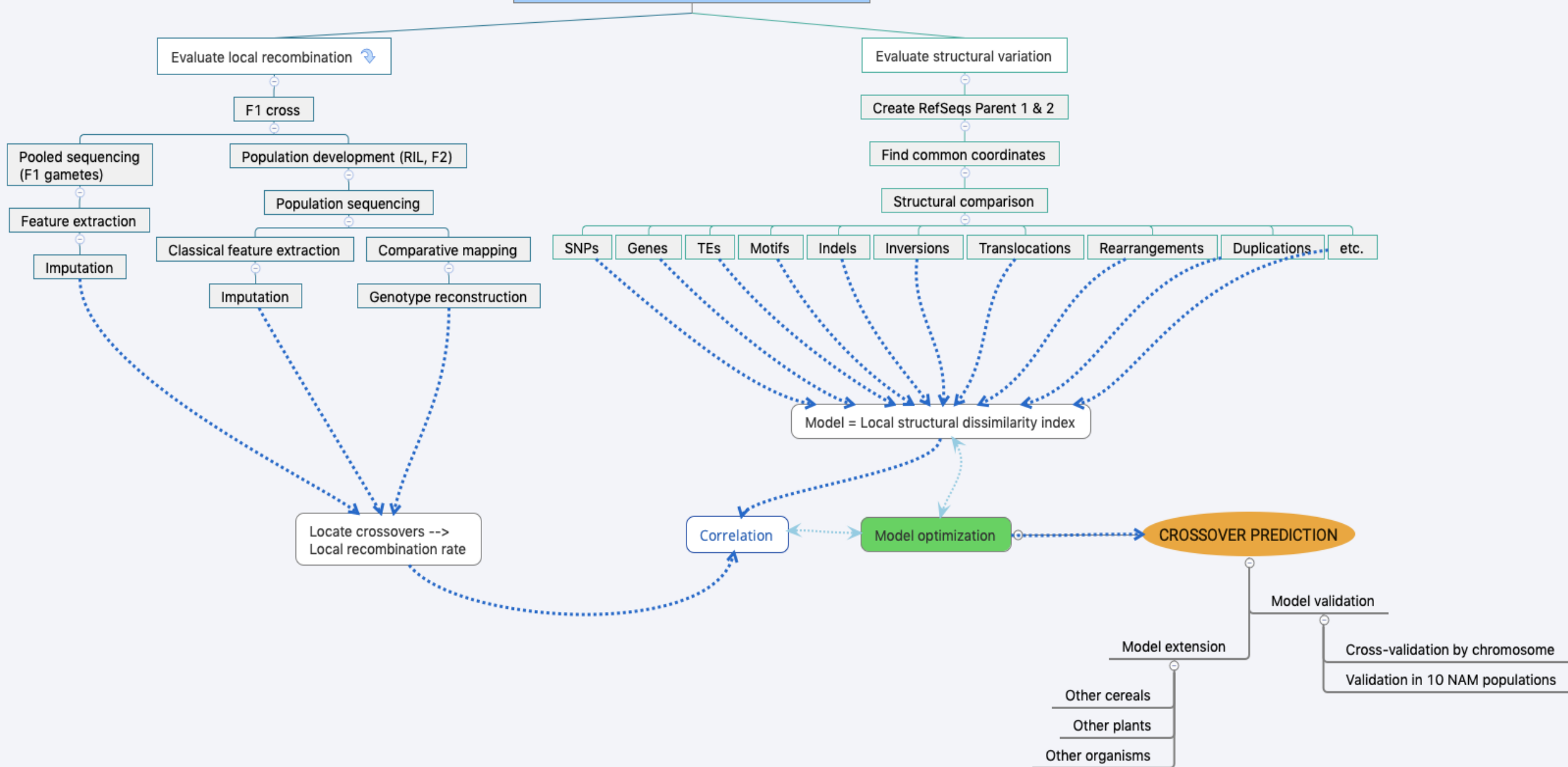
Hypothesis: recombination rates in the F_1 hybrid are altered by structural differences between the parental genomes

Test the hypothesis: three steps

1. Estimate F_1 recombination as precisely as possible
2. Assess genomic variation between the parents
 - *not* Illumina re-sequencing
 - we want *de novo* sequences because we need the genome *structure*
3. Search for correlations between recombination and genomic sequence differences

If successful, derive a model for recombination based on parental sequence properties

Genome structure as a predictor for meiotic recombination



1. Estimating local recombination

Recombination data [prototype]

- A population of 212 F_{12} *recombinant inbred lines* (RILs)
[IR64 × Azucena] $\rightarrow F_1 \rightarrow F_2 \rightarrow \dots \rightarrow F_{12}$
inter-subspecific *indica* × *japonica* $\rightarrow$ reveals wide range of genomic differences
(400-600k years divergence)
- A set of ~1.8 million SNP markers
 - Illumina ~1.5x paired-end whole-genome sequencing (WGS)



Problem 1: missing data

Reducing cost has a cost

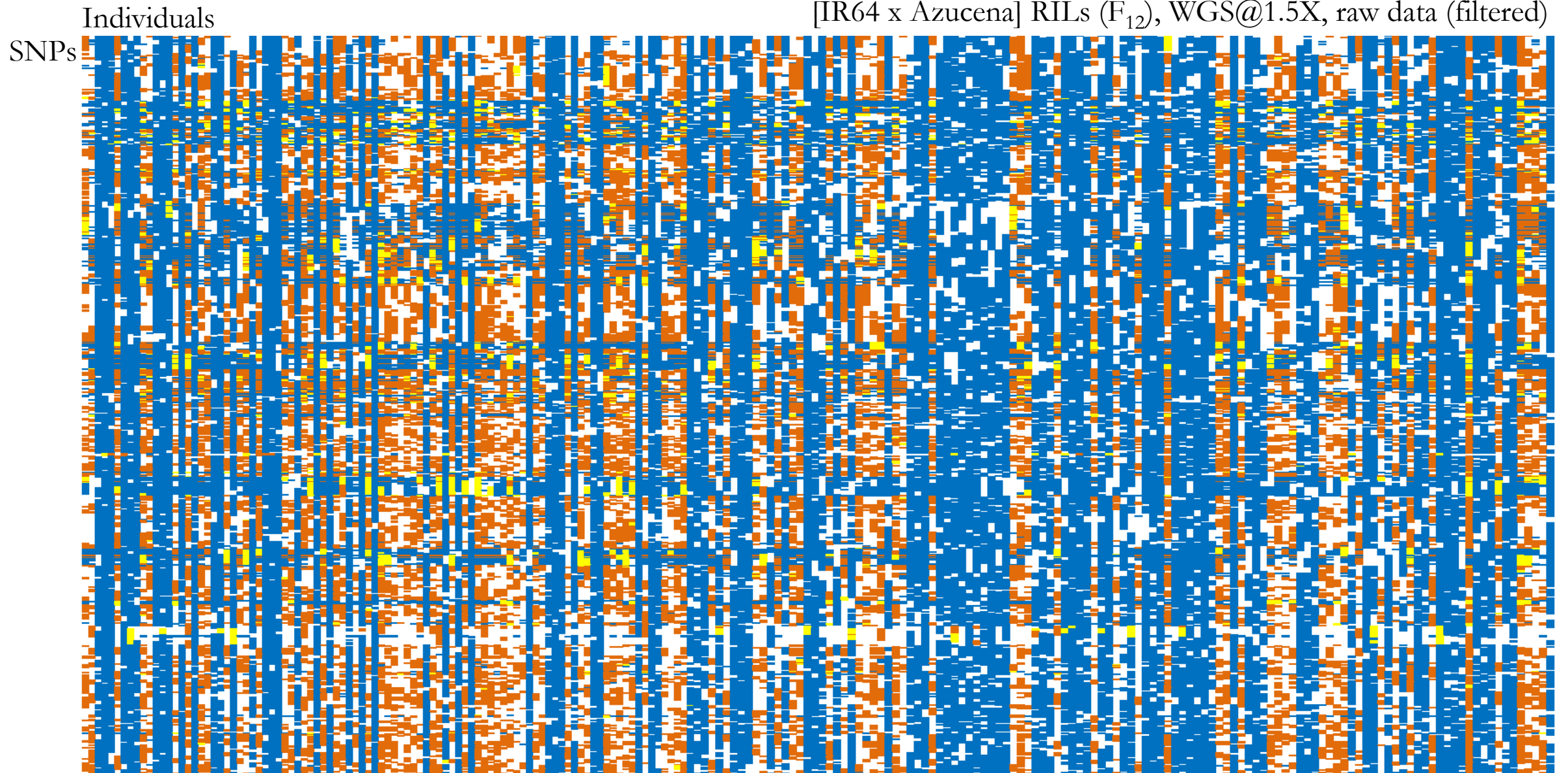
- lots of missing data
- sequencing errors not corrected by other reads
- heterozygotes not seen

We need *imputation*



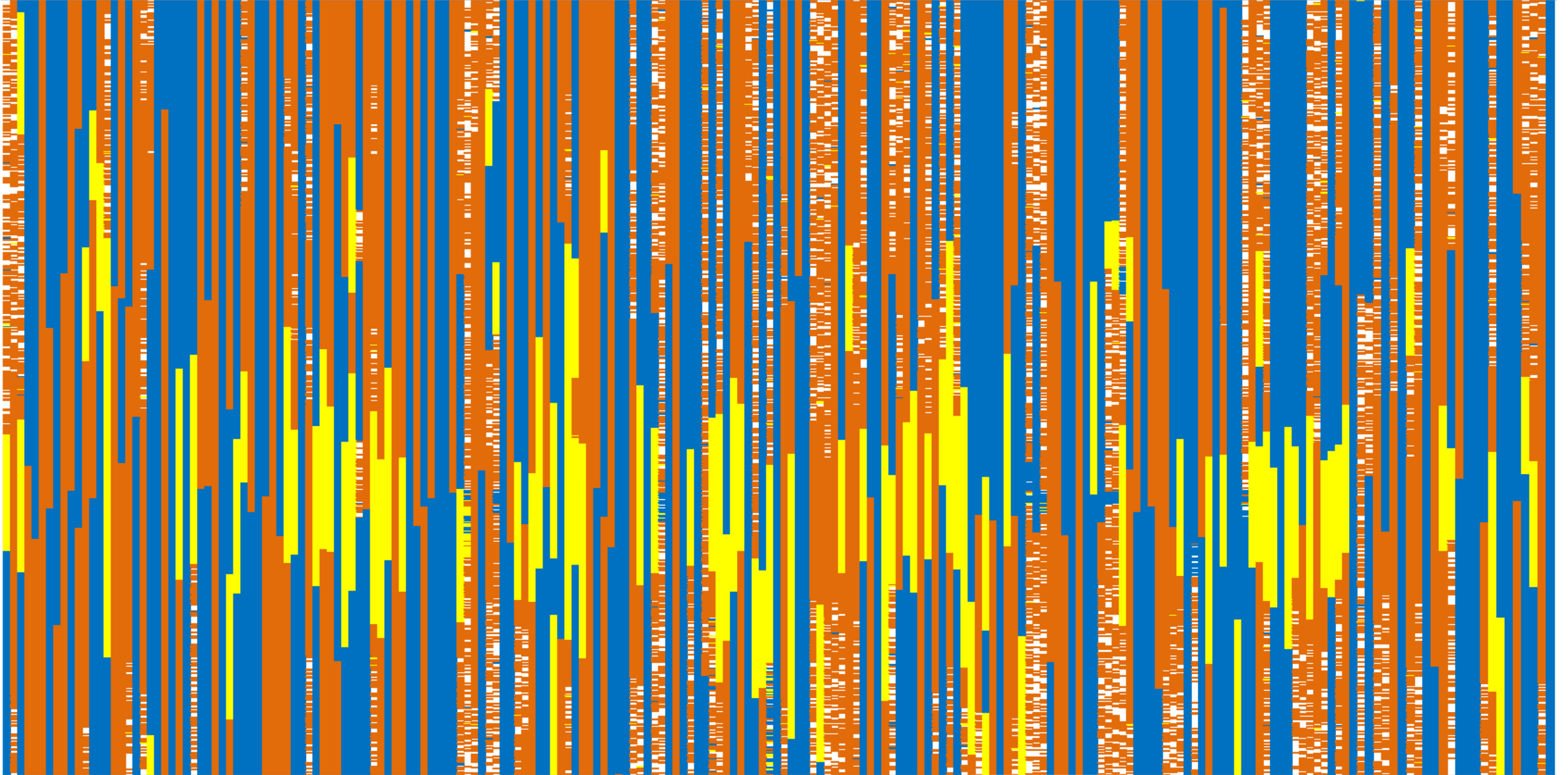
Simulation of a 1.5 X WGS coverage (Poisson distribution) on 100 discrete positions

Problem 2: noisy data



Imputation with Genotype-Corrector

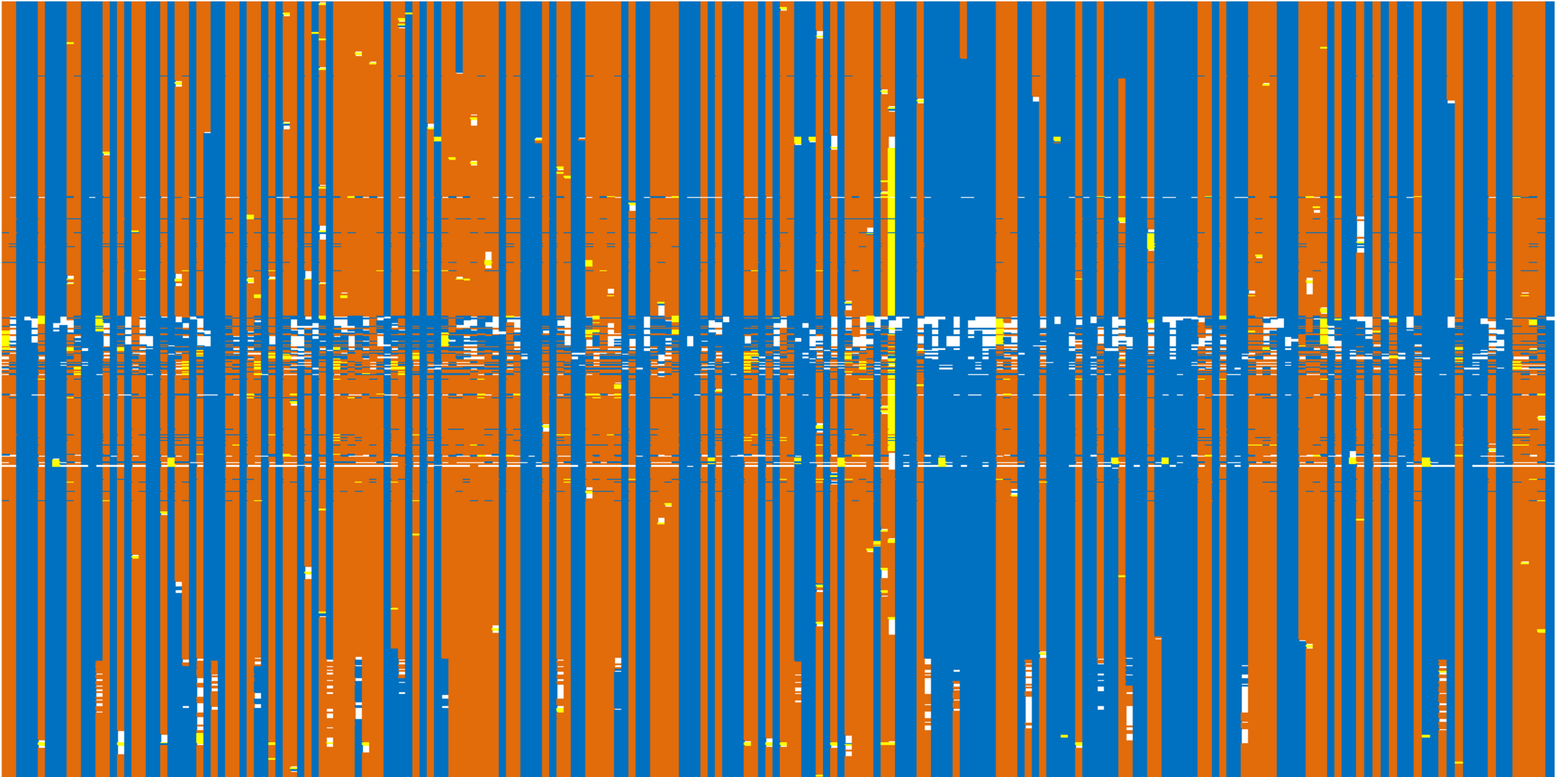
Genotype-Corrector: improved
genotype calls for genetic mapping
in F_2 and RIL populations
SCIENTIFIC REPORTS 2018



Imputation with Tassel-FSFHap

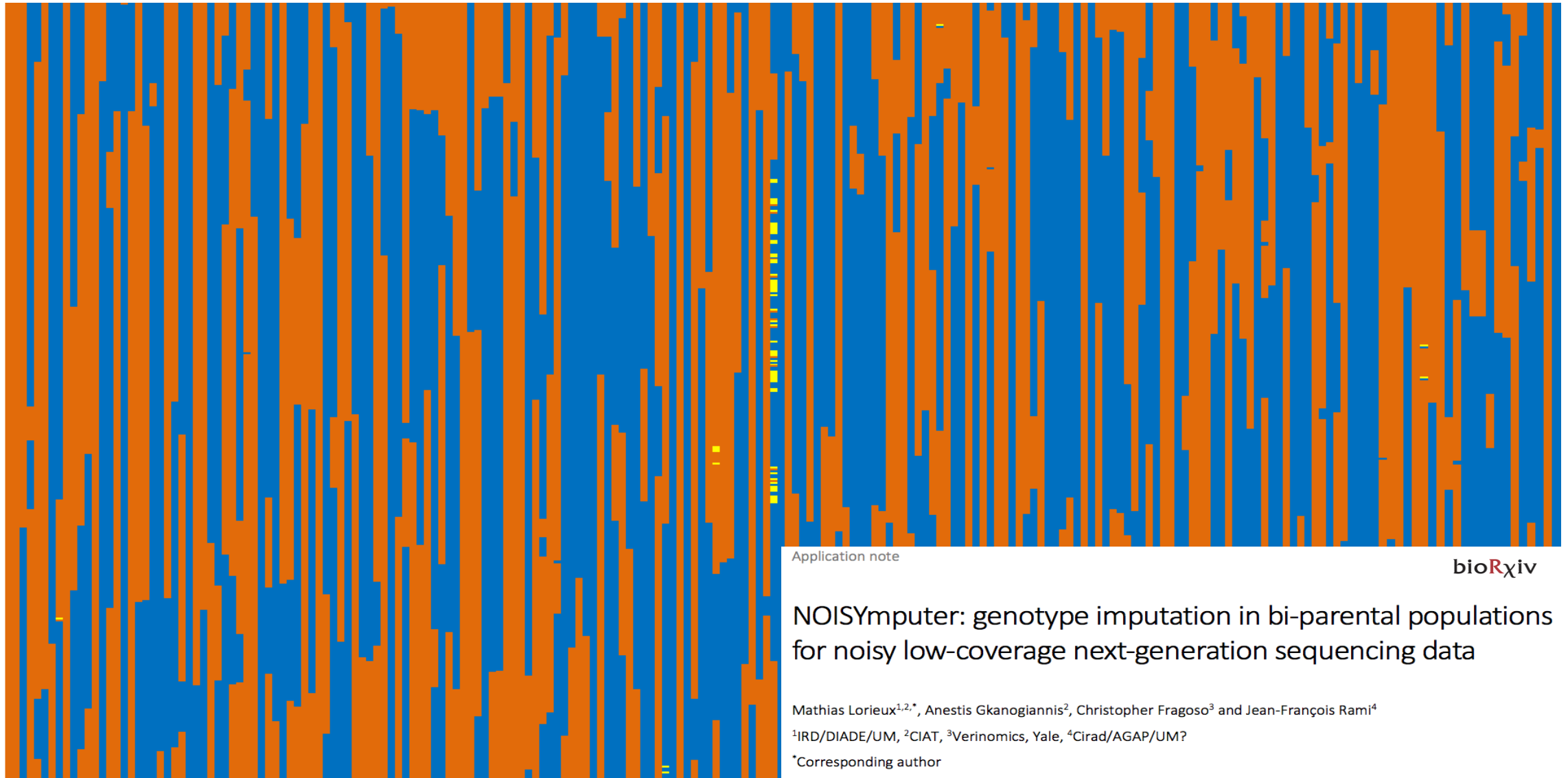
Novel Methods to Optimize Genotypic Imputation
for Low-Coverage, Next-Generation Sequence Data
in Crop Plants

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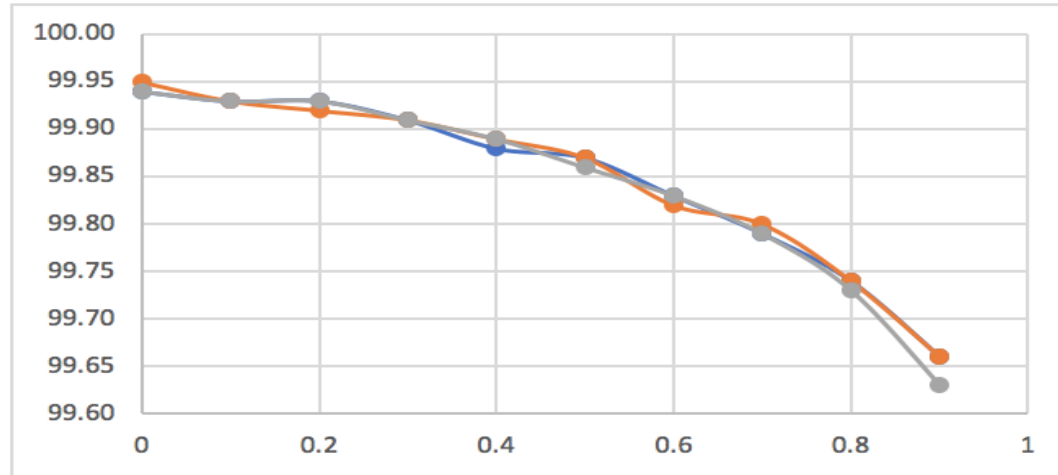
New imputation approach

v. 0.5: improved breakpoint imputation in F_2 s

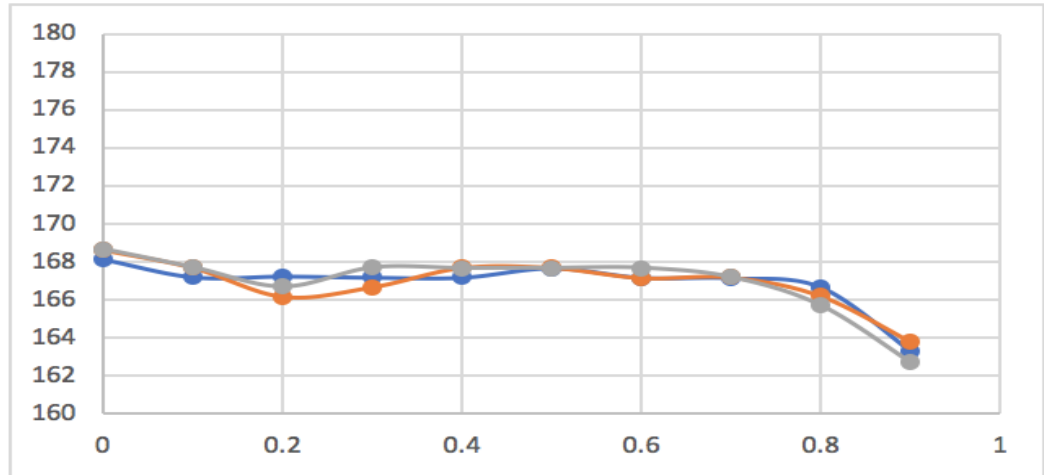


Imputation accuracy (simulated data)

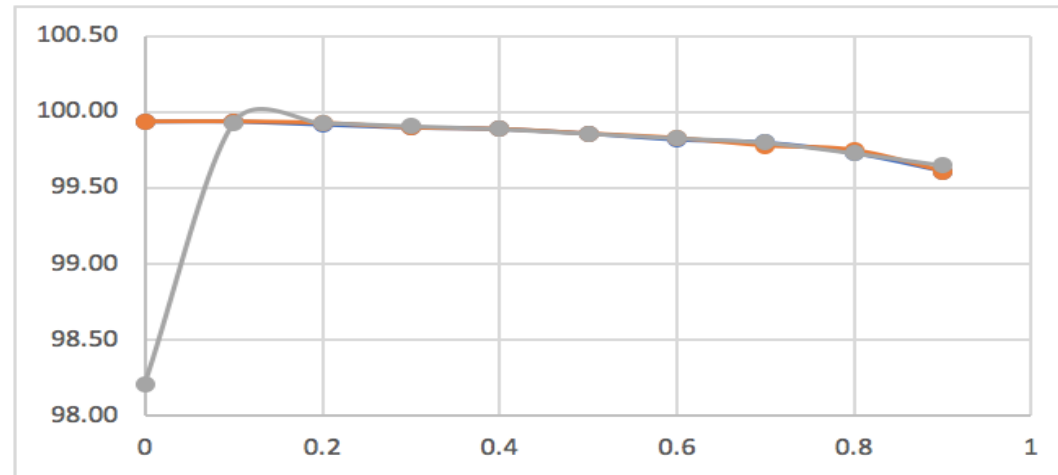
Situation 1 - Accuracy



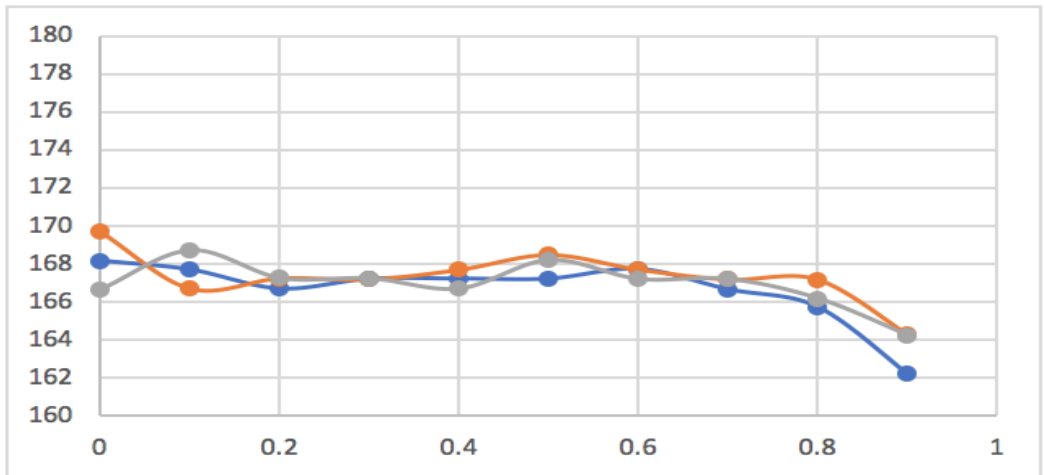
Situation 1 - Map size



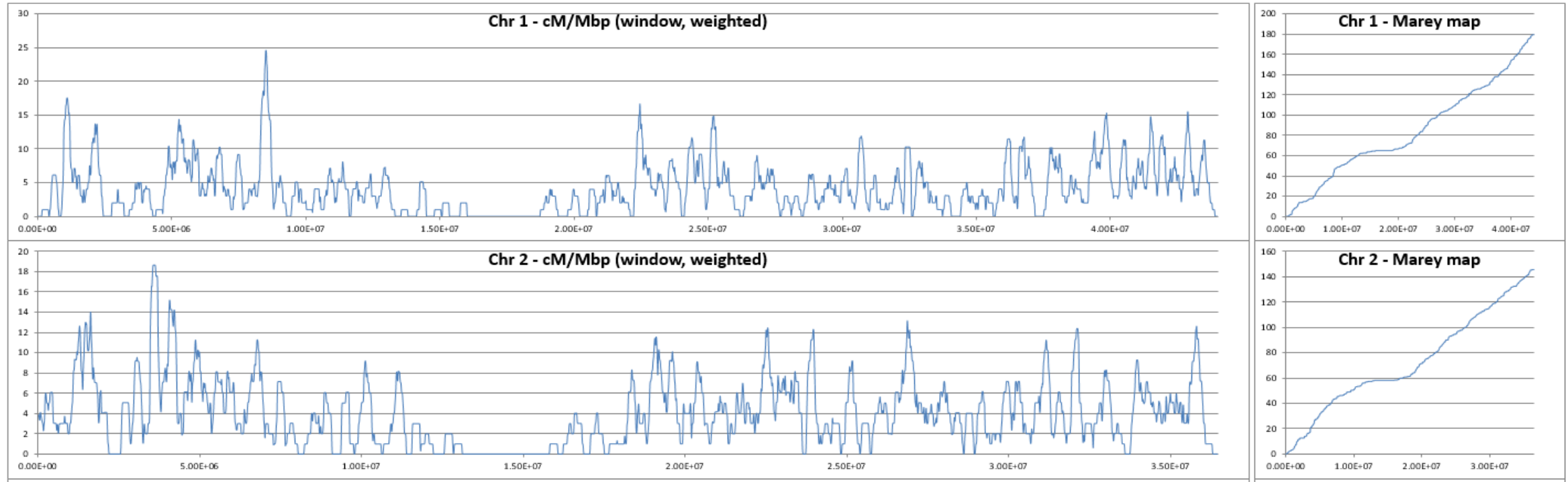
Situation 2 - Accuracy



Situation 2 - Map size



Now we can compute local recombination rates



Genetics and population analysis

Bioinformatics, 2017

Constructing linkage maps in the genomics era with MapDisto 2.0

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2. Estimating local genome variation

Genomic data

High-quality PacBio genomes of the two parents,
IR64 and Azucena – ~120x PacBio + ~40x Illumina

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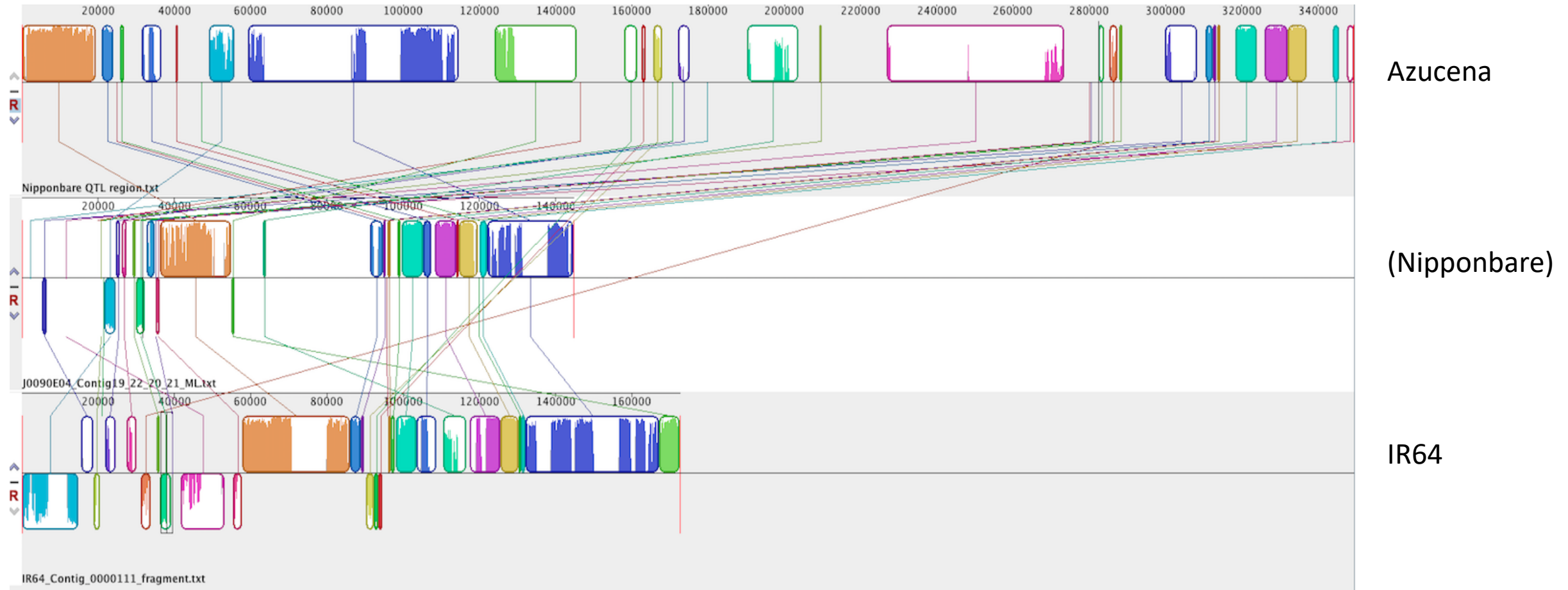
A platinum standard pan-genome resource that represents the population structure of Asian rice

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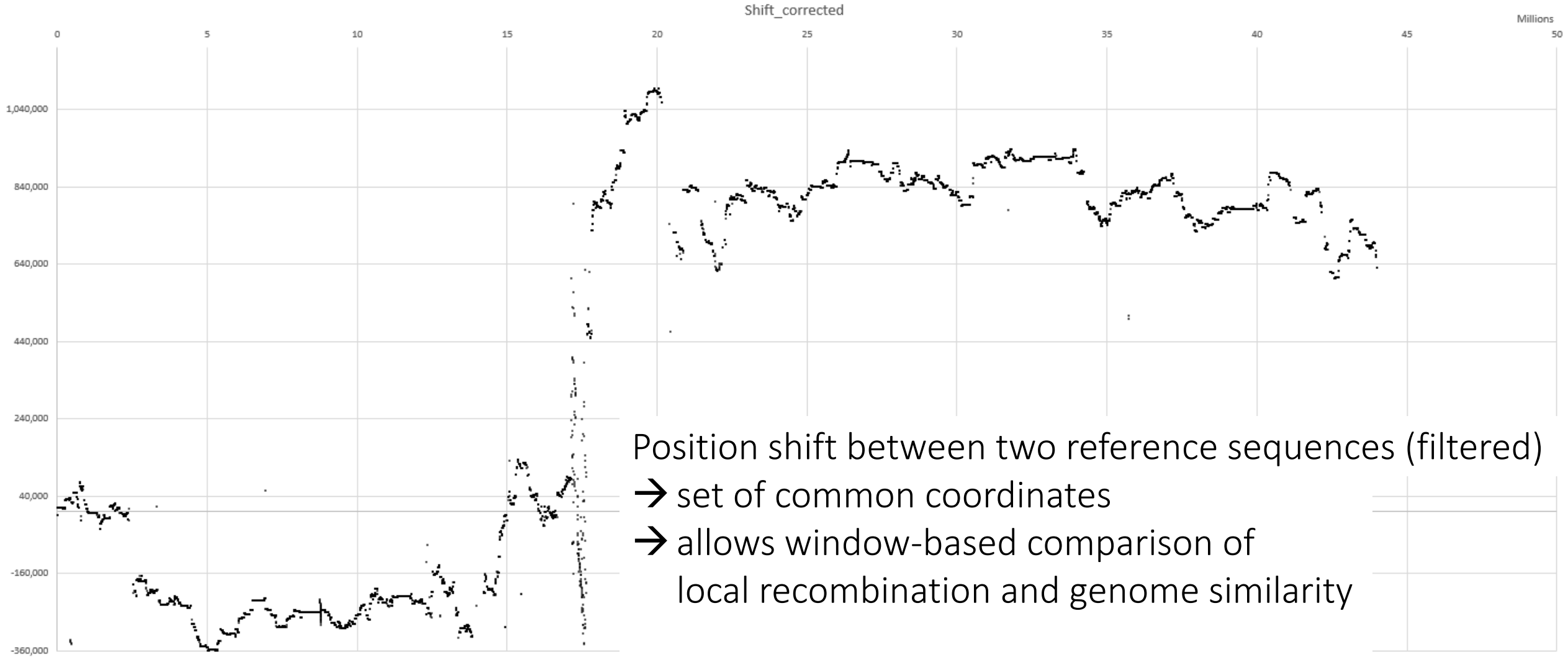
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IR64 and Azucena can vary substantially



Graphics from Mauve analysis

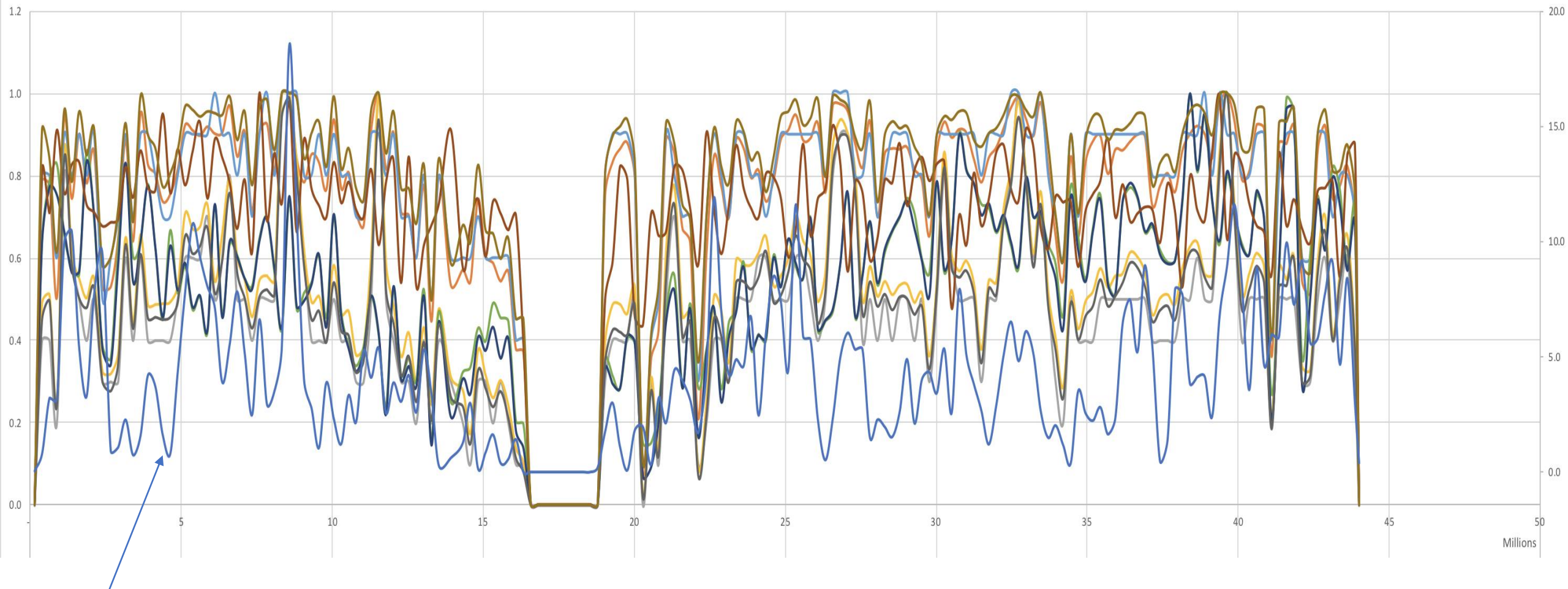
Finding common coordinates



3. Comparing recombination with genome variation

$$r = 0.59$$

Comparing genomes: which indicator?

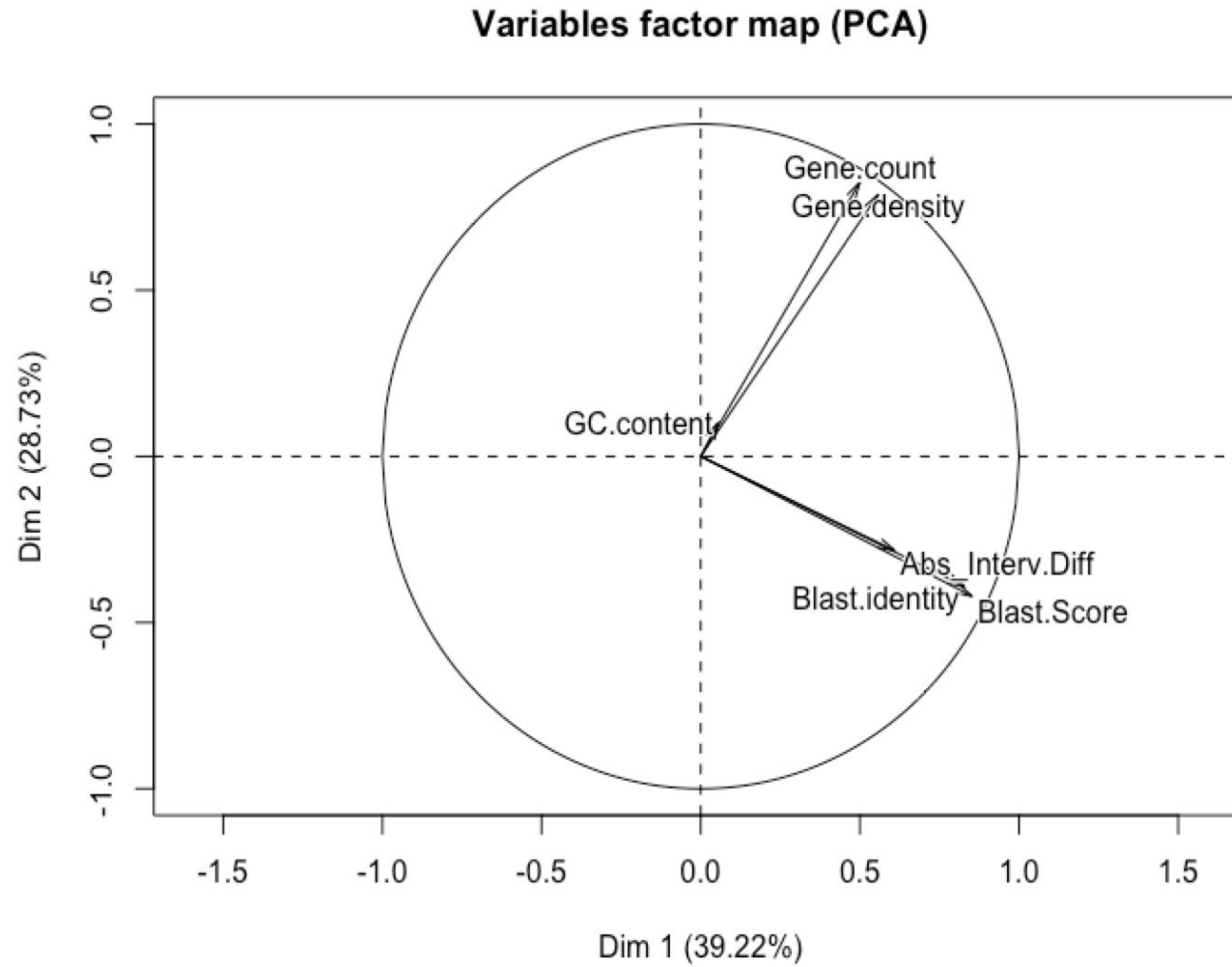


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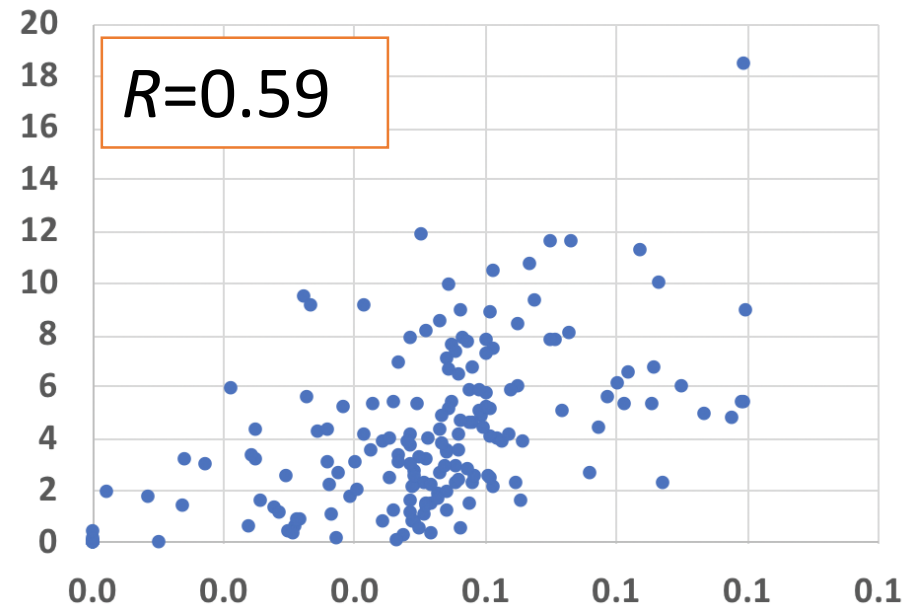
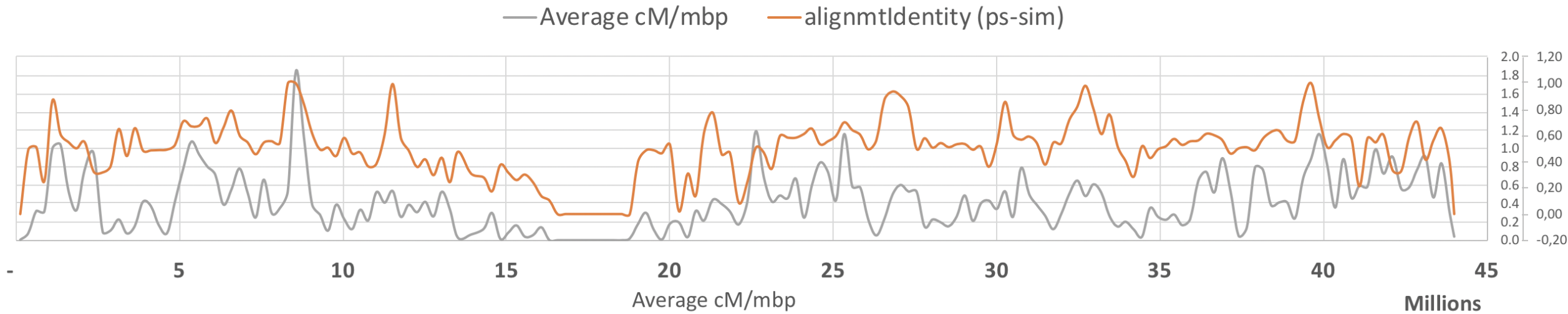
Other curves:

Chunk size difference; BLAST score; BLAST identity; GC %; Gene count; Gene density; TE density; Combined; SNP abundance

Finding uncorrelated features



Blast score + gene density vs. recombination



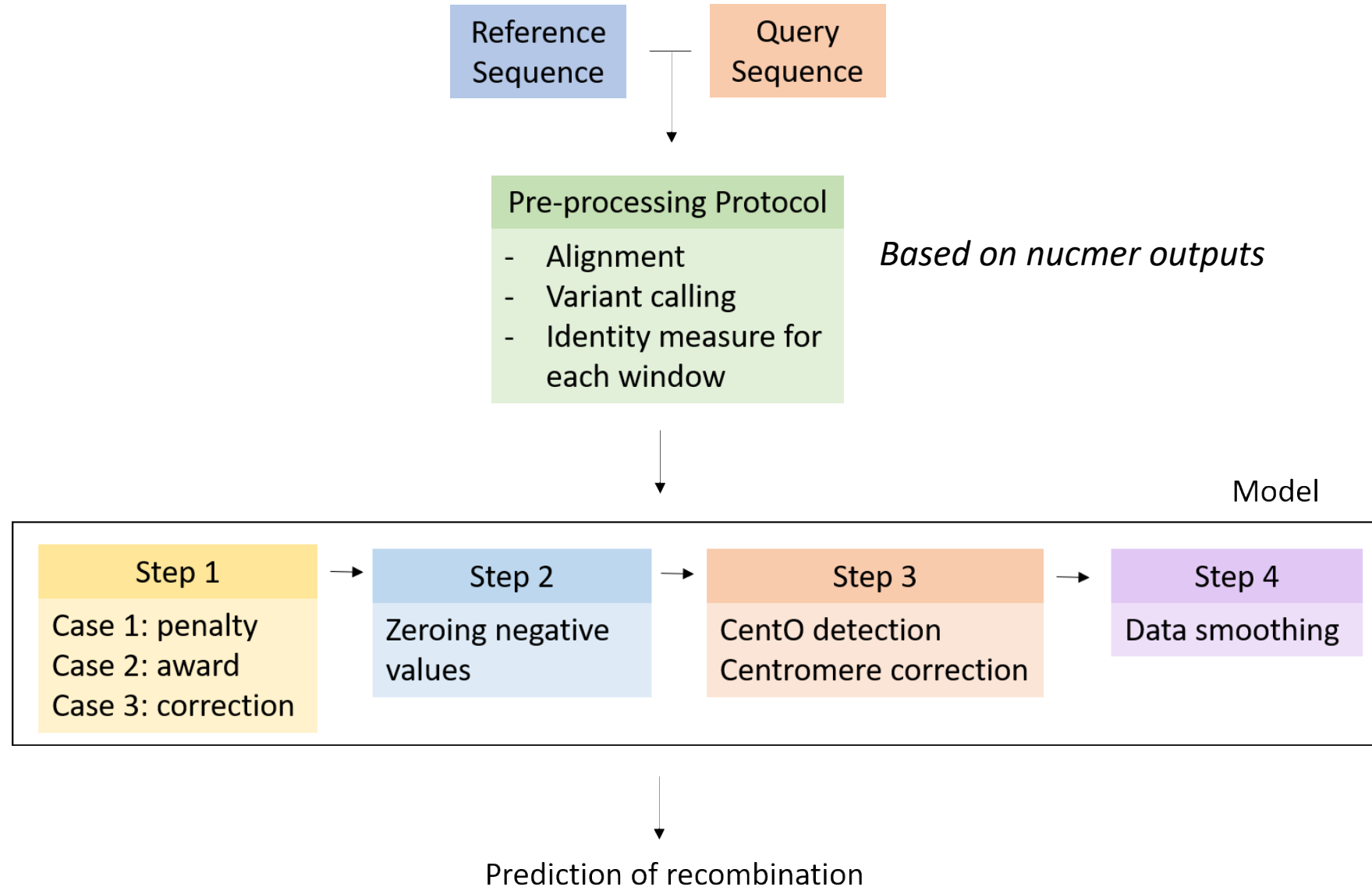
Let's try something better



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Camila Riccio



$$Id(w) = window_size - V(w) - I(w) - A(w)$$

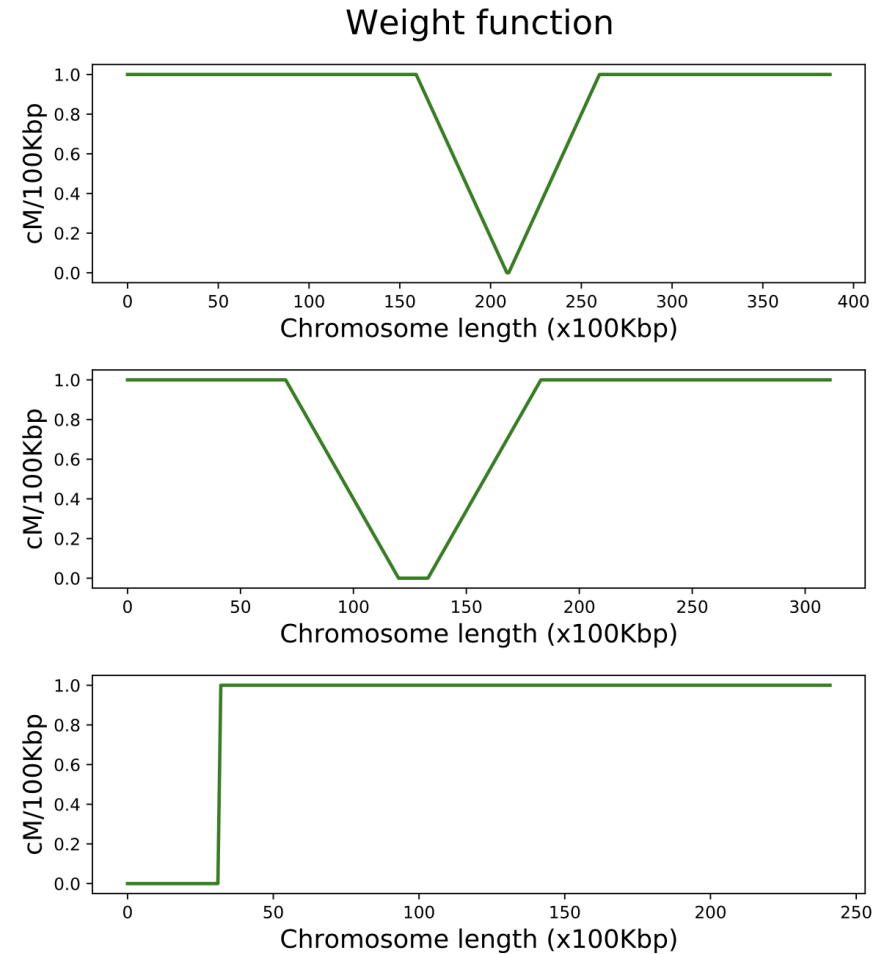
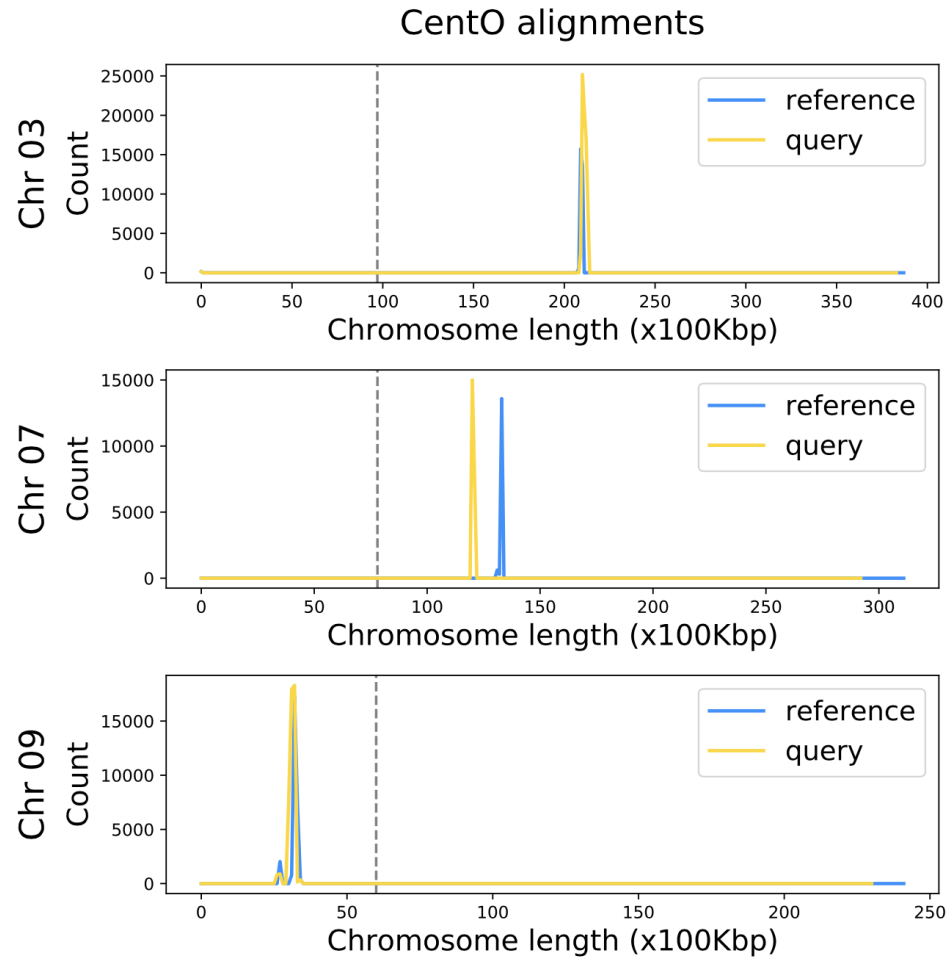
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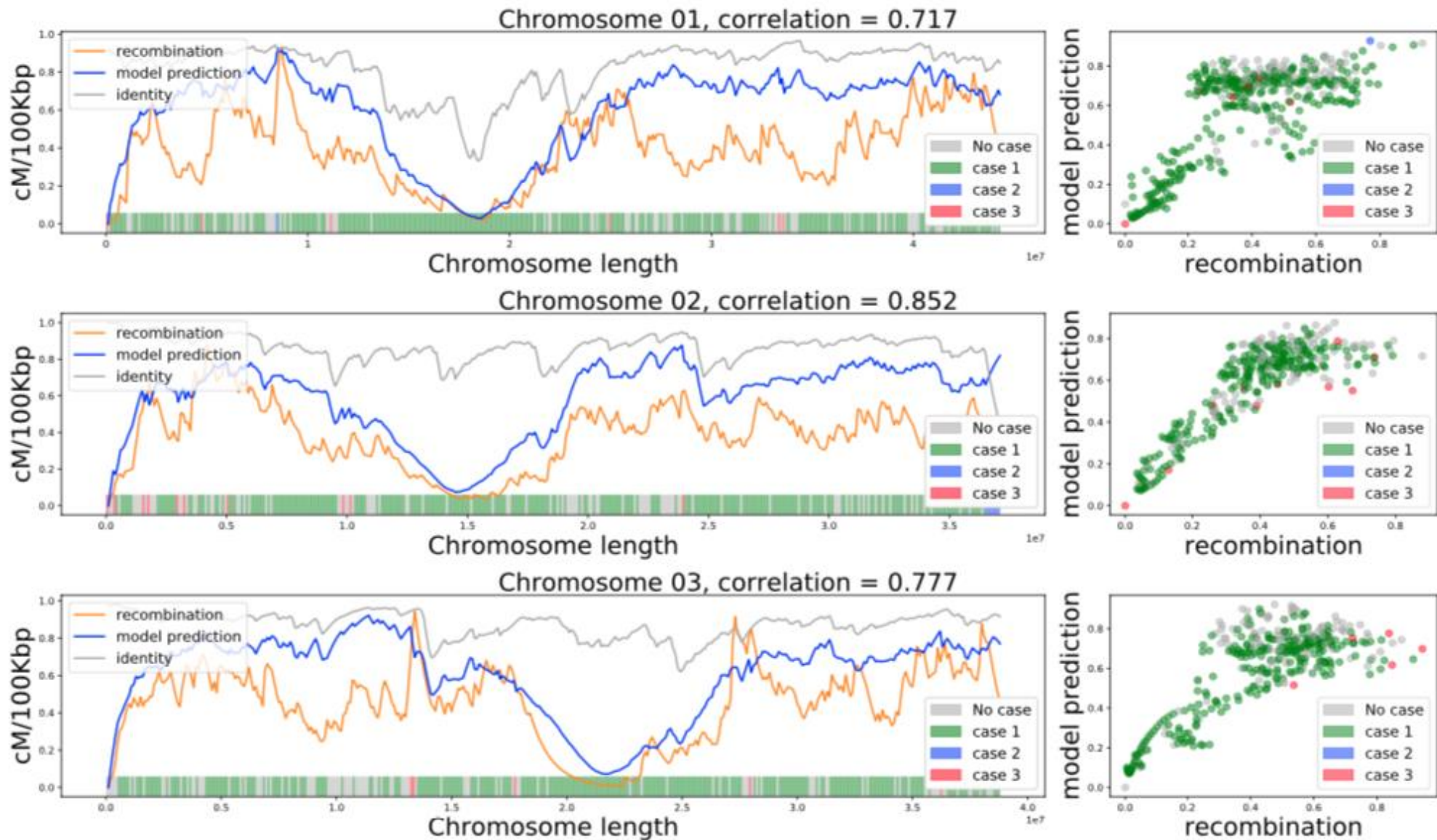
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nucmer outputs parsing

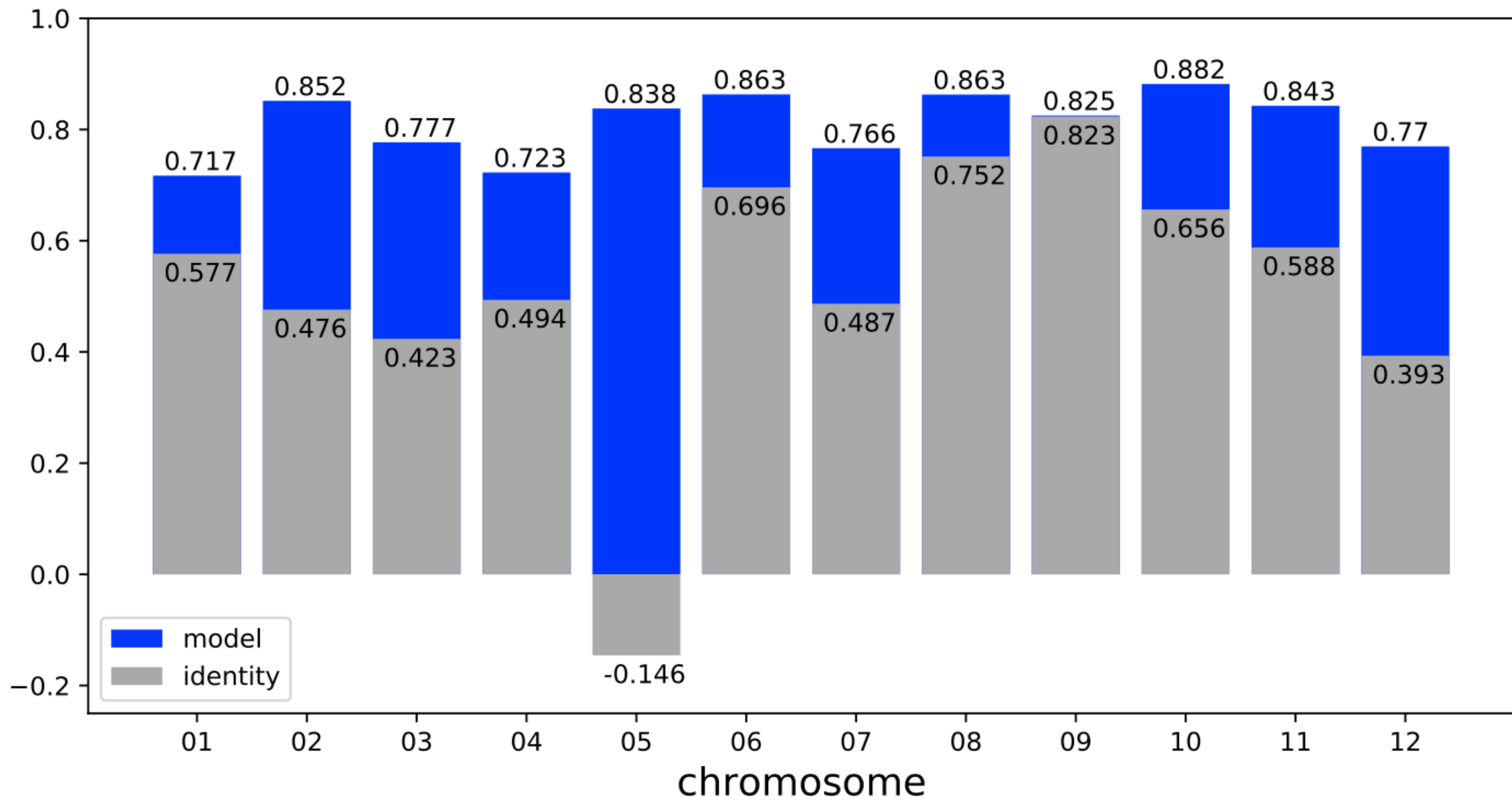
Centromere detection using CentO sequences and centromere correction



Local recombination vs. model (chromosome 1)



correlation



Sequence Identity Allows Prediction of Crossover Recombination

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Abstract

Meiotic recombination is a crucial cellular process, being one of the major drivers of evolution and adaptation of species. In plant breeding, crossing is used to introduce genetic variation among individuals and populations. A better characterization of the variation of the recombination rates along the chromosomes would enable breeding programmes to increase the chances of creating novel allele combinations, and more generally, to introduce new varieties with a collection of desirable traits. While different approaches to predict recombination rates for different species have been developed, they fail to estimate the outcome of a crossing between two specific accessions. This is missing in the panel of tools that breeders can use to reduce costs and execution times of crossing experiments. This paper builds on the hypothesis that chromosomal recombination correlates positively to a measure of sequence identity. In particular, we develop a model that uses sequence identity, combined with other features derived from genome alignment (including the number of variants, inversions, absent bases, and CentO sequences) to predict local chromosomal recombination in rice. Model performance is validated in an inter-subspecific *indica* x *japonica* cross, using 212 recombinant inbred lines. Across all 12 chromosomes, an average correlation of about 0.8 between experimental and prediction rates is achieved.

4. Now the life-size project

LANDSREC: The high-resolution landscapes in rice meiotic recombination

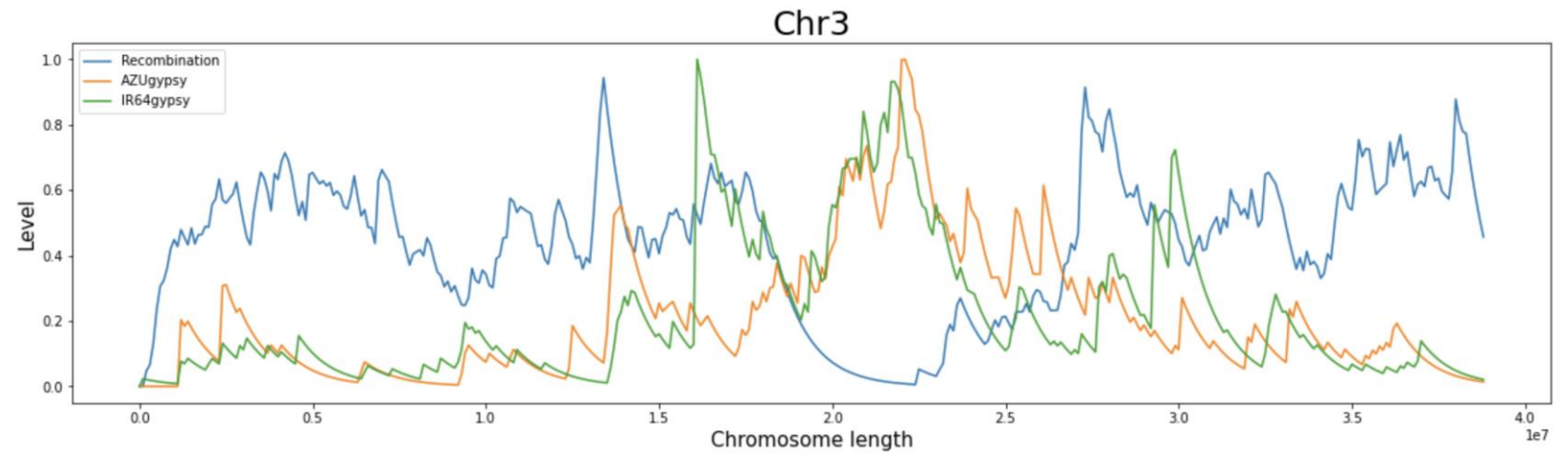
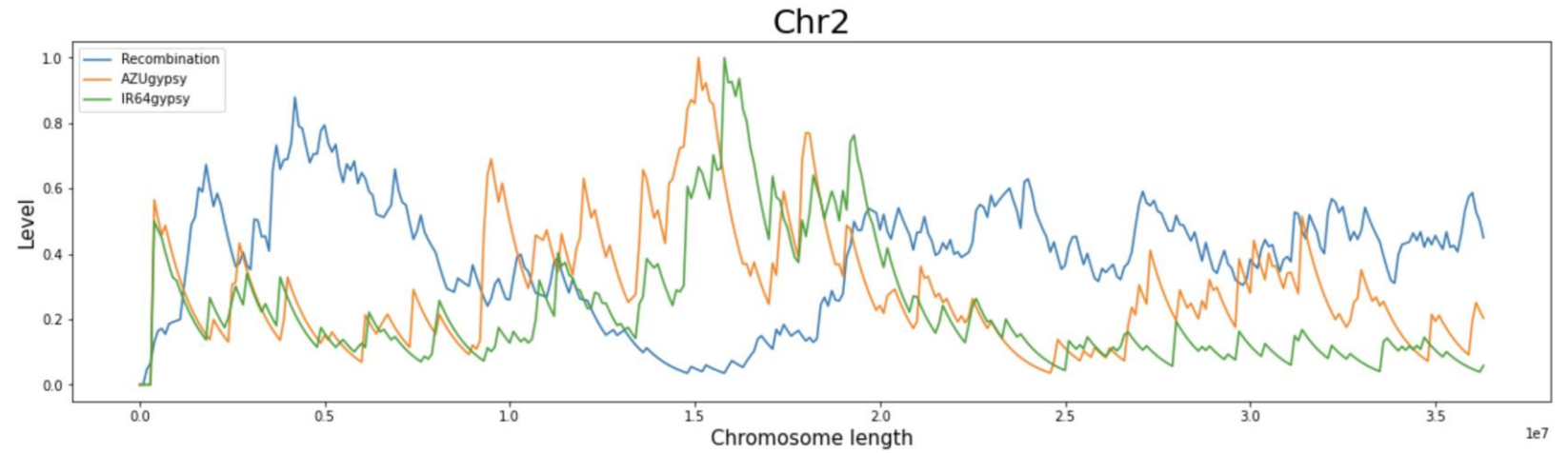
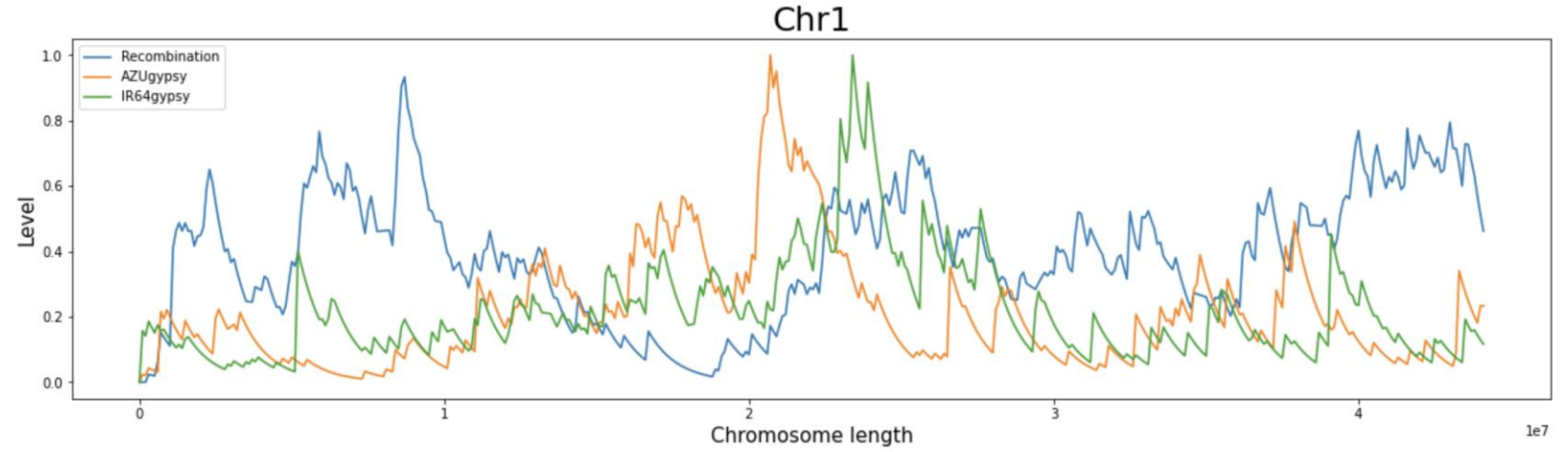
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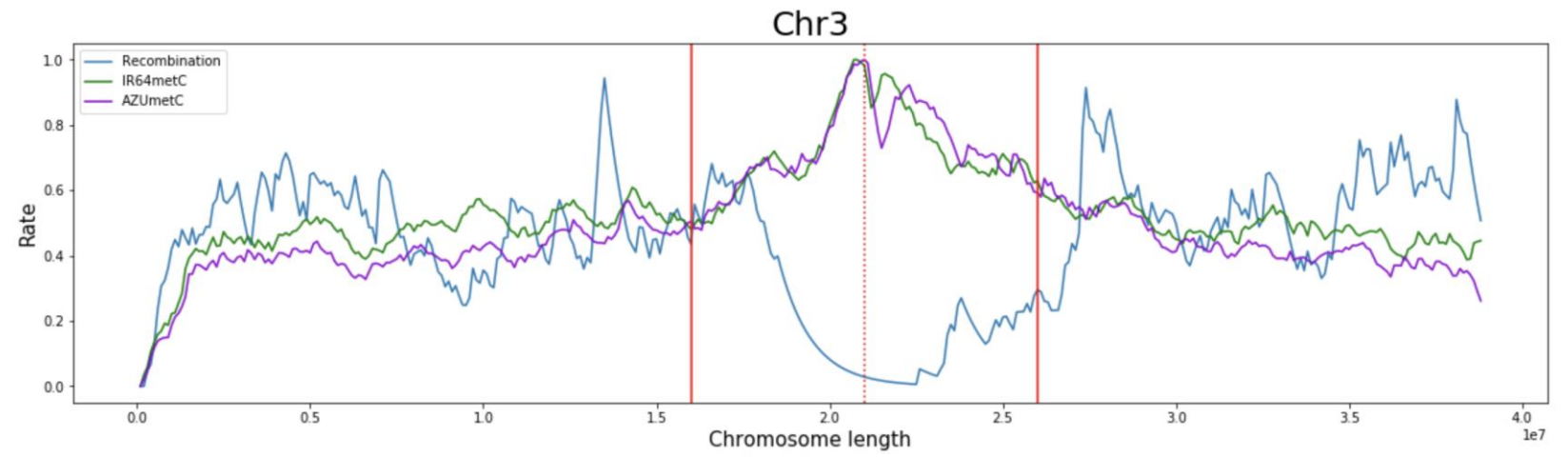
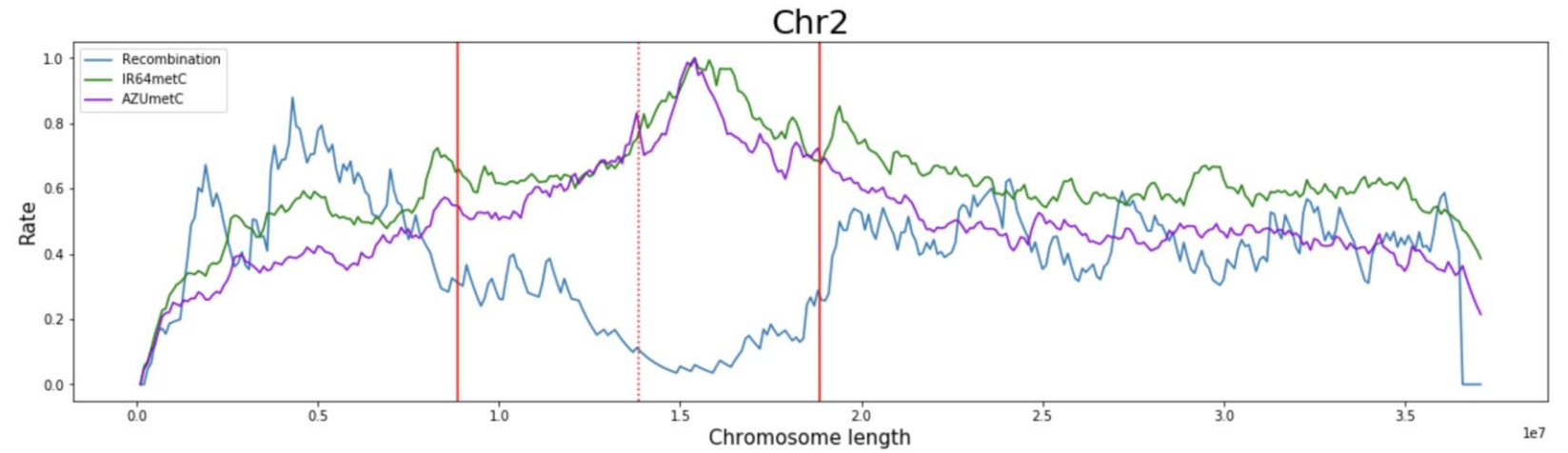
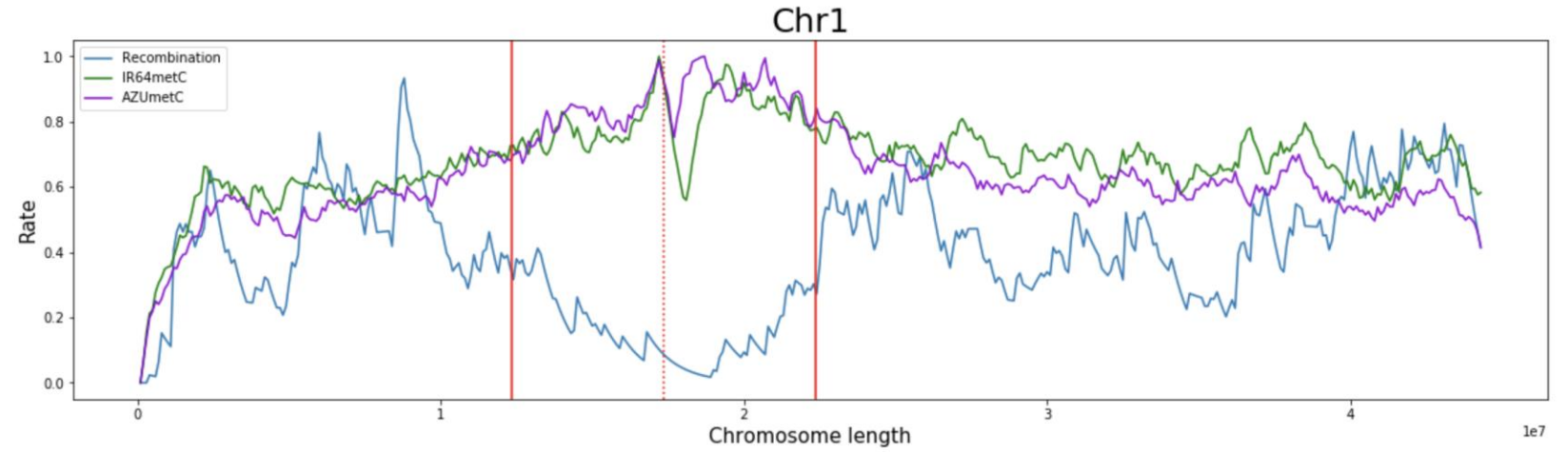
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- WP3
- A *new* population of **2,000** F₂ individuals from the same cross [IR64 × Azucena]
 - 10x more precise estimates of local recombination
 - Direct estimation of the F₁ recombination rate
 - 2x WGS for **each single** F₂ individual genome
 - NOISYmputer v. 0.5 → Julia code [jupyter{book}](#)
 - Look at motifs, GC3, etc 
 - Methylation
 - TEs, genes, duplications
 - Better methods to calculate genome “similarity” (SyRI)
 - Try AI for model construction
 - Cross-validation
 - between chromosomes
 - between 10 Nested-Association Mapping populations

Gypsy elements vs. recombination



Methylation vs. recombination



A possible application

Predict recombination for all possible pairs of the 3,000 rice genomes

→ Breeders can choose the best predicted crosses
(recombination in QTLs)

- Requires genome structure reconstruction from Illumina

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