

# Genomics: A perspective

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# Sequencing Platforms

- 1986 - Dye terminator Sanger sequencing, technology dominated until 2005 (and remains relevant) until “next generation sequencers”, peaking at about 900kb/day



# 'Next' Generation

- 2005 – 'Next Generation Sequencing' as Massively parallel sequencing, both throughput and speed advances. The first was the Genome Sequencer (GS) instrument developed by 454 life Sciences (later acquired by Roche), Pyrosequencing 1.5Gb/day



**Discontinued**

# Illumina (Solexa)

- 2006 – The second ‘Next Generation Sequencing’ platform. Now the dominant platform with 75% market share of sequencer and an estimated >90% of all bases sequenced are from an Illumina machine, Sequencing by Synthesis > 1600Gb/day.

NovaSeq



HiSeq





# Complete Genomics

- 2006 – Using DNA nanoball sequencing, has been a leader in Human genome resequencing, having sequenced over 20,000 genomes to date. In 2013 purchased by BGI and is now set to release their first commercial sequencer, the Revolocity. Throughput on par with HiSeq

NOW DEFUNCT

Human genome/exomes only.

10,000 Human Genomes per year



# Bench top Sequencers

## ❖ Roche 454 Junior



## ❖ Life Technologies

- Ion Torrent
- Ion Proton
- Gene Studio S5



## ❖ Illumina

- MiSeq
- MiniSeq
- iSeq 100



# The 'Next, Next' Generation Sequencers (3<sup>rd</sup> Generation)

- 2009 – Single Molecule Read Time sequencing by Pacific Biosystems, most successful third generation sequencing platforms, RSII ~2Gb/day, newer Pac Bio Sequel ~14Gb/day, near 100Kb reads.

[SMRT Sequencing](#)



Iso-seq on Pac Bio possible, transcriptome without 'assembly'

# Oxford Nanopore



- 2015 – Another 3<sup>rd</sup> generation sequencer, founded in 2005 and currently in beta testing. The sequencer uses nanopore technology developed in the 90's to sequence single molecules. Throughput is about 500Mb per flowcell, capable of near 200kb reads.

**Fun to play with but results are highly variable**

[Nanopore Sequencing](#)



FYI: 4<sup>th</sup> generation sequencing is being described as In-situ sequencing



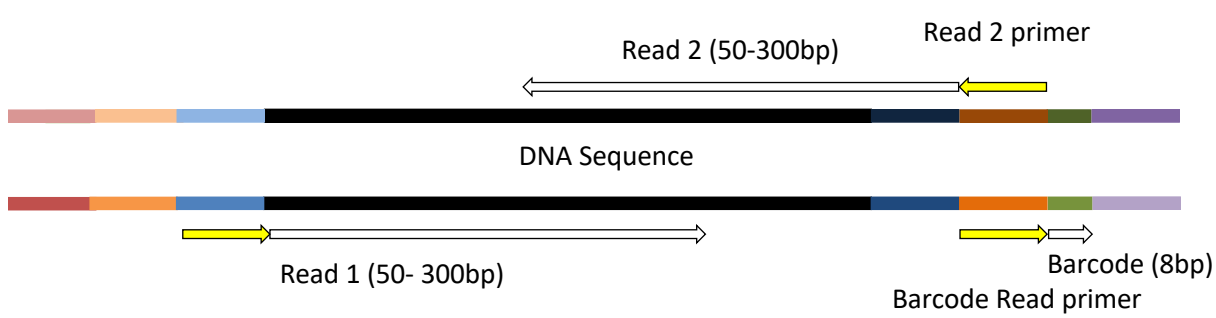
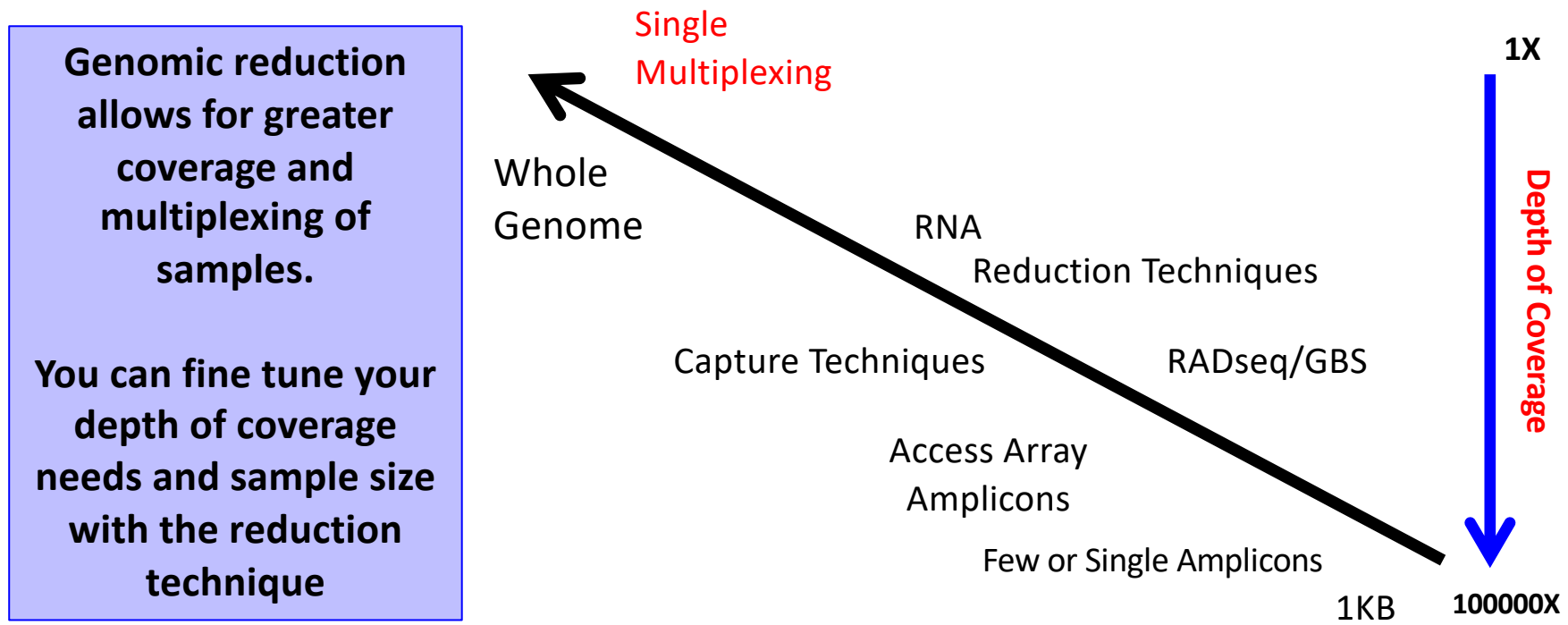
# Bioinformatics

Old Way of  
thinking about  
Bioinformatics



Appro Cluster

# Illumina's Flexibility



Greater Multiplexing

# Sequencing Libraries : MLA-seq

DNA-seq	DNase-seq	tagRNA-seq	EnD-seq
RNA-seq	ATAC-seq	PAT-seq	Pool-seq
Amplicons	MNase-seq	Structure-seq	G&T-seq
ChIP-seq	FAIRE-seq	MPE-seq	Tn-Seq
MeDiP-seq	Ribose-seq	STARR-seq	BrAD-seq
RAD-seq	smRNA-seq	Mod-seq	SLAF-seq
ddRAD-seq			

[Methods](#). 2018 Jun 11. pii: S1046-2023(18)30064-1. doi: 10.1016/j.ymeth.2018.06.004. [Epub ahead of print]

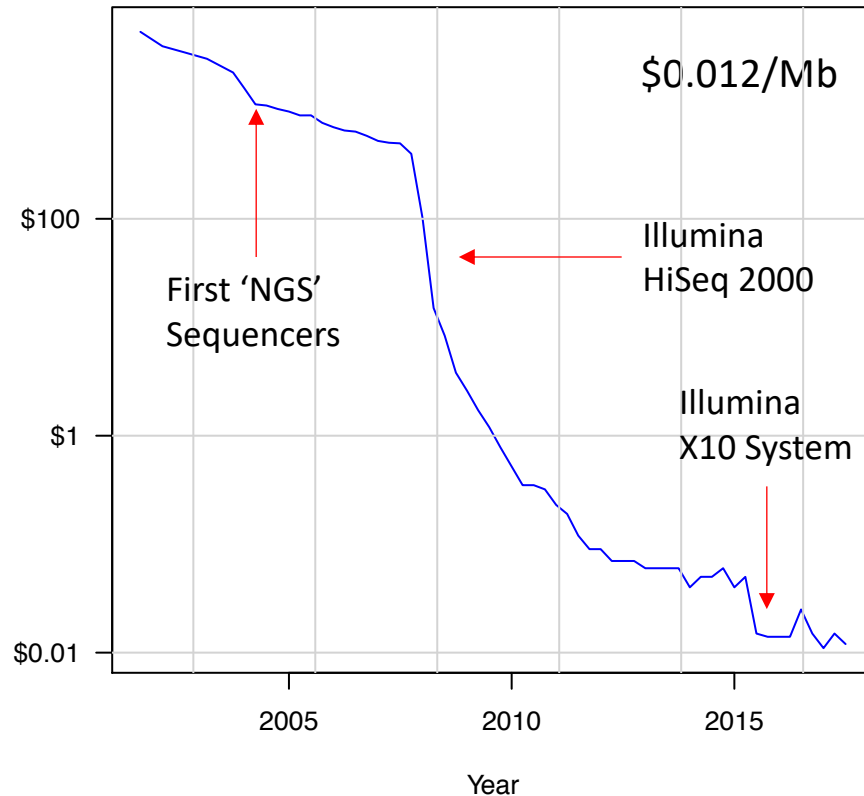
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Kim B<sup>1</sup>, Kim VN<sup>2</sup>.

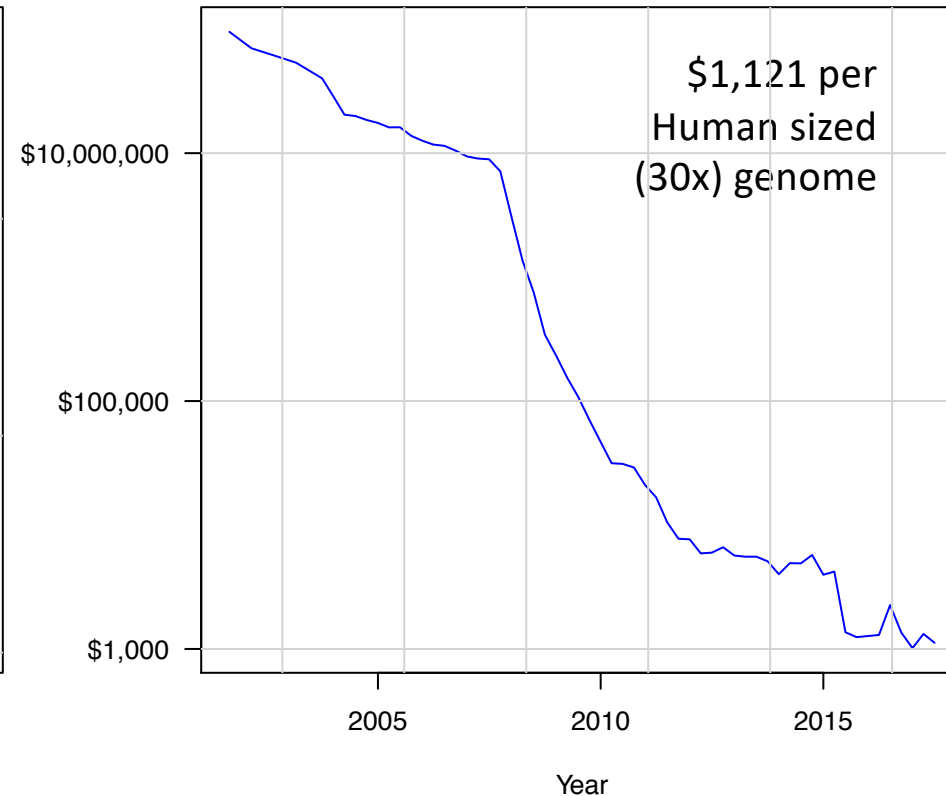
# Sequencing Costs

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Cost per Megabase of Sequence



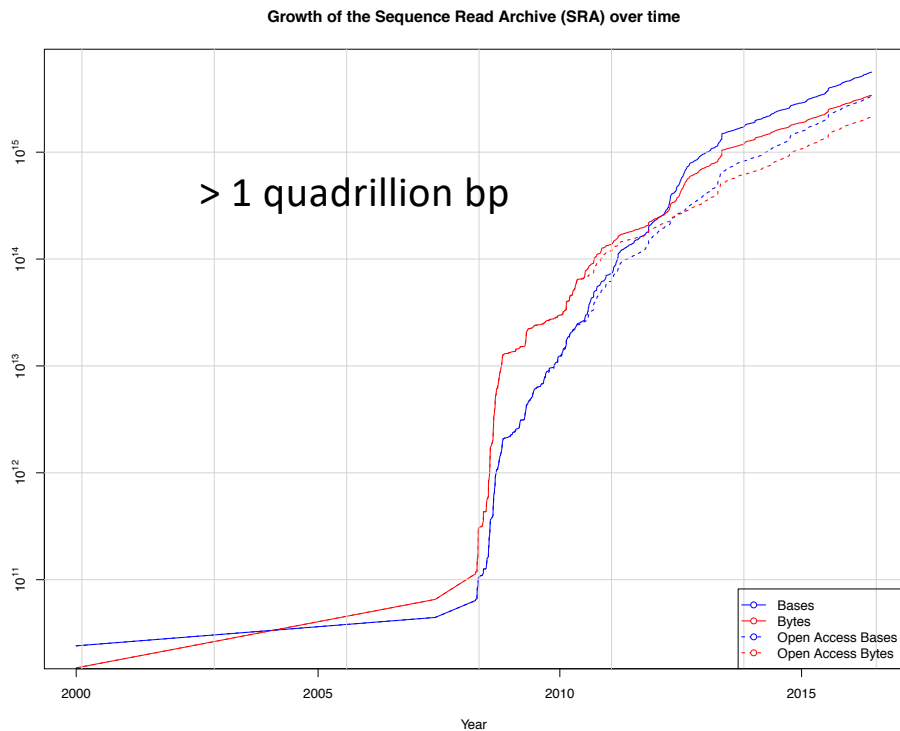
Cost per Human Sized Genome @ 30x



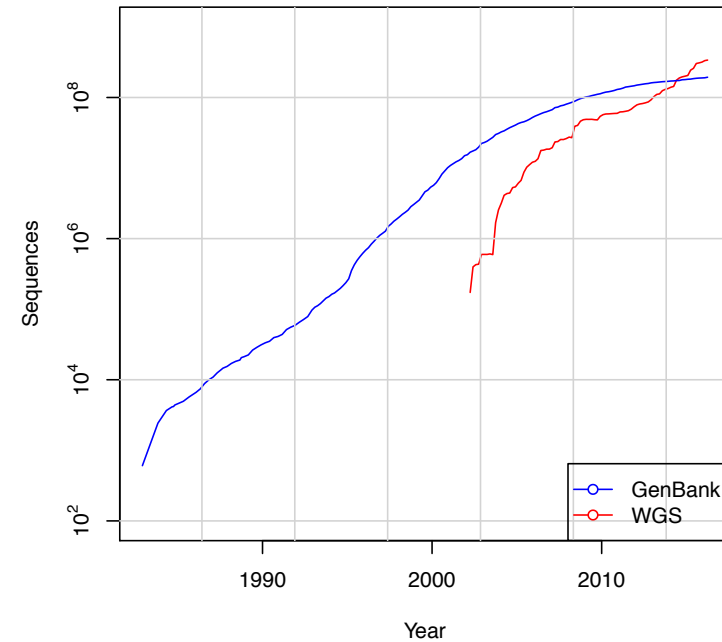
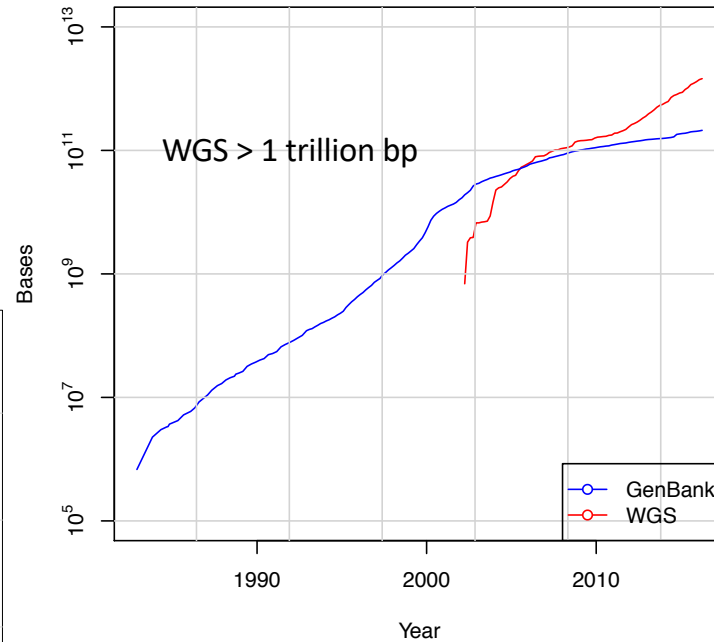
- Includes: labor, administration, management, utilities, reagents, consumables, instruments (amortized over 3 years), informatics related to sequence productions, submission, indirect costs.
- <http://www.genome.gov/sequencingcosts/>



# Growth in Public Sequence Database



<http://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/Traces/sra/>



- <http://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/genbank/statistics>

# The data deluge



- Plucking the biology from the Noise

# Reality



- Its much more difficult than we may first think

# Data Science

Data science is the process of formulating a quantitative question that can be answered with data, collecting and cleaning the data, analyzing the data, and communicating the answer to the question to a relevant audience.

# 7 Stages to Data Science

1. Define the question of interest
2. Get the data
3. Clean the data
4. Explore the data
5. Fit statistical models
6. Communicate the results
7. Make your analysis reproducible

## 1. Define the question of interest

### **Begin with the end in mind!**

what is the question

how are we to know we are successful

what are our expectations

### **dictates**

the data that should be collected

the features being analyzed

which algorithms should be use

2. Get the data
3. Clean the data
4. Explore the data

**Know your data!**

know what the source was  
technical processing in producing  
data (bias, artifacts, etc.)  
“Data Profiling”

**Data are never perfect but love your data anyway!**

the collection of massive data sets often leads to unusual ,  
surprising, unexpected and even outrageous.

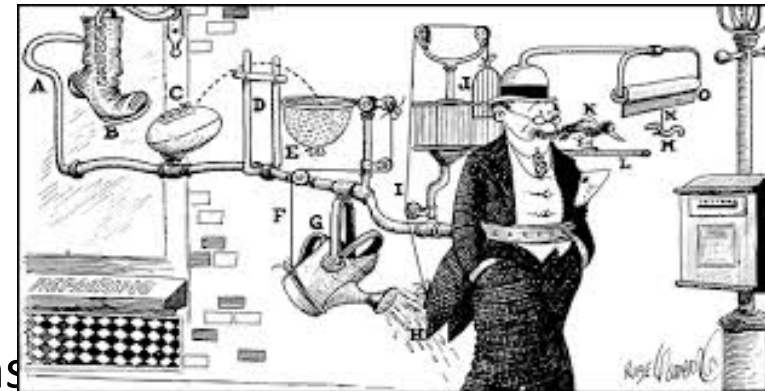


## 5. Fit statistical models

**Over fitting is a sin against data science!**

Model's should not be over-complicated

- If the data scientist has done their job correctly the statistical models don't need to be incredibly complicated to identify important relationships
- In fact, if a complicated statistical model seems necessary, it often means that you don't have the right data to answer the question you really want to answer.





6. Communicate the results
7. Make your analysis reproducible

**Remember that this is 'science'!**

We are experimenting with data selections, processing, algorithms, ensembles of algorithms, measurements, models. At some point these ***must all be tested for validity and applicability*** to the problem you are trying to solve.



**Data science done well looks easy – and  
that’s a big problem for data scientists**

**simplystatistics.org  
March 3, 2015 by Jeff Leek**

**Bad data science (bioinformatics) also looks easy**

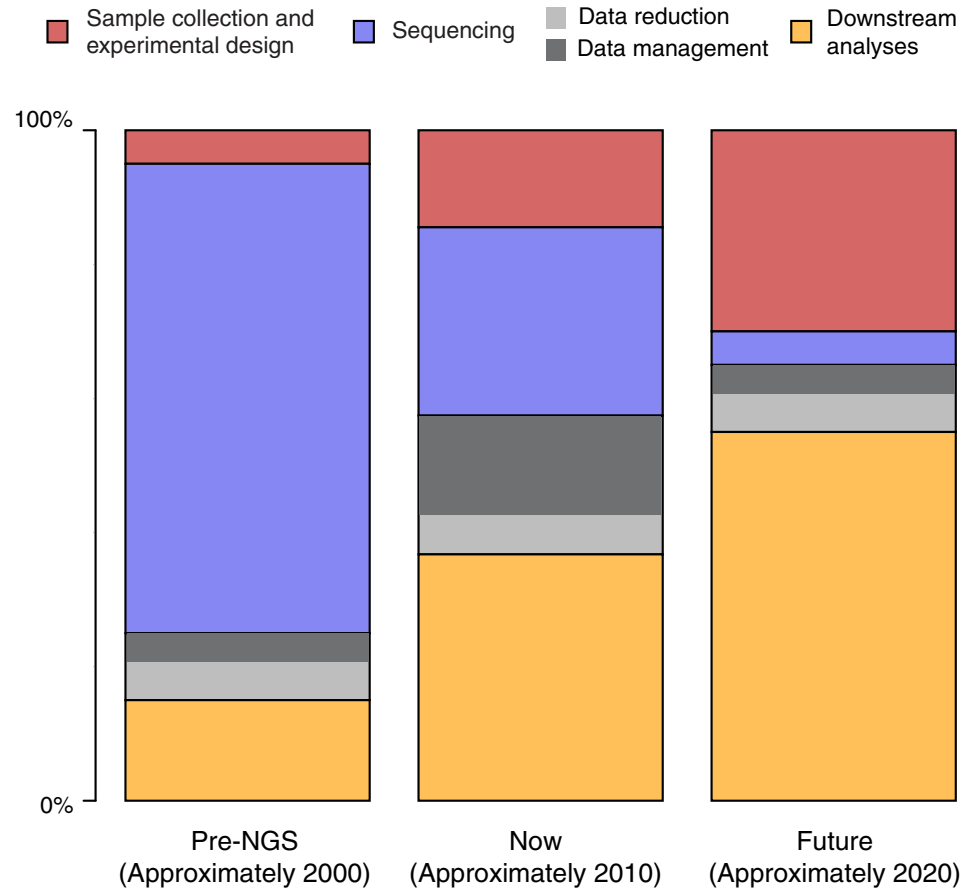
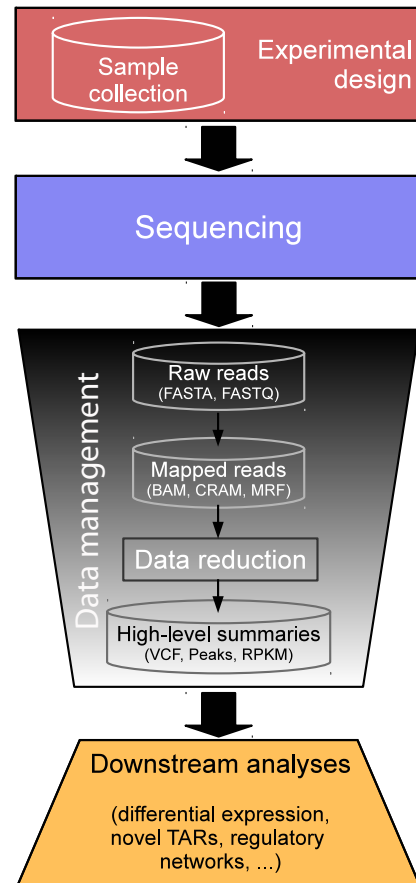
# The Data Science in Bioinformatics

Bioinformatics is not something you are taught,  
*it's a way of life*

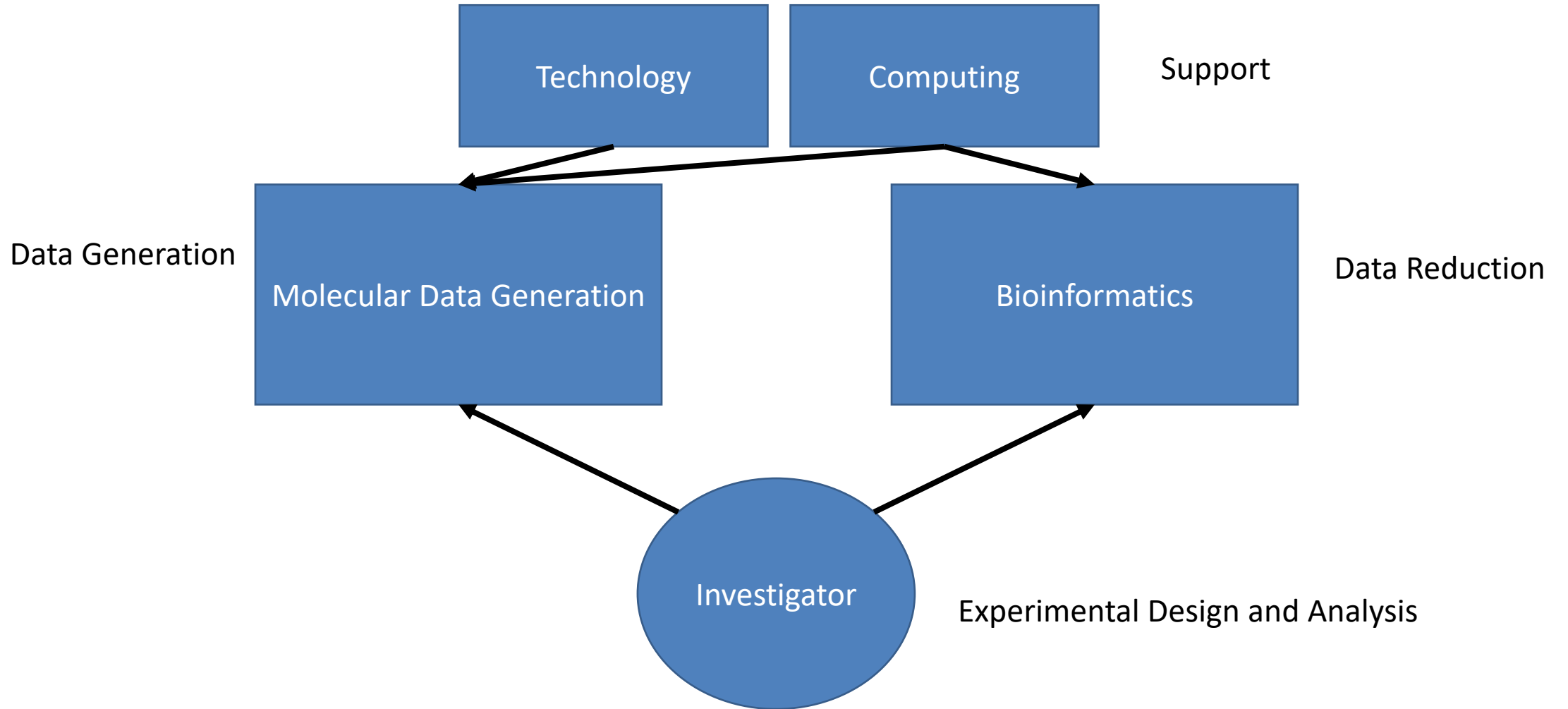
*“The best bioinformaticians I know are **problem solvers** – they start the day not knowing something, and they enjoy finding out (themselves) how to do it. It’s a great skill to have, but for most, it’s not even a skill – it’s a passion, it’s a way of life, it’s a thrill. It’s what these people would do at the weekend (if their families let them).”*

Mick Watson – Rosland Institute

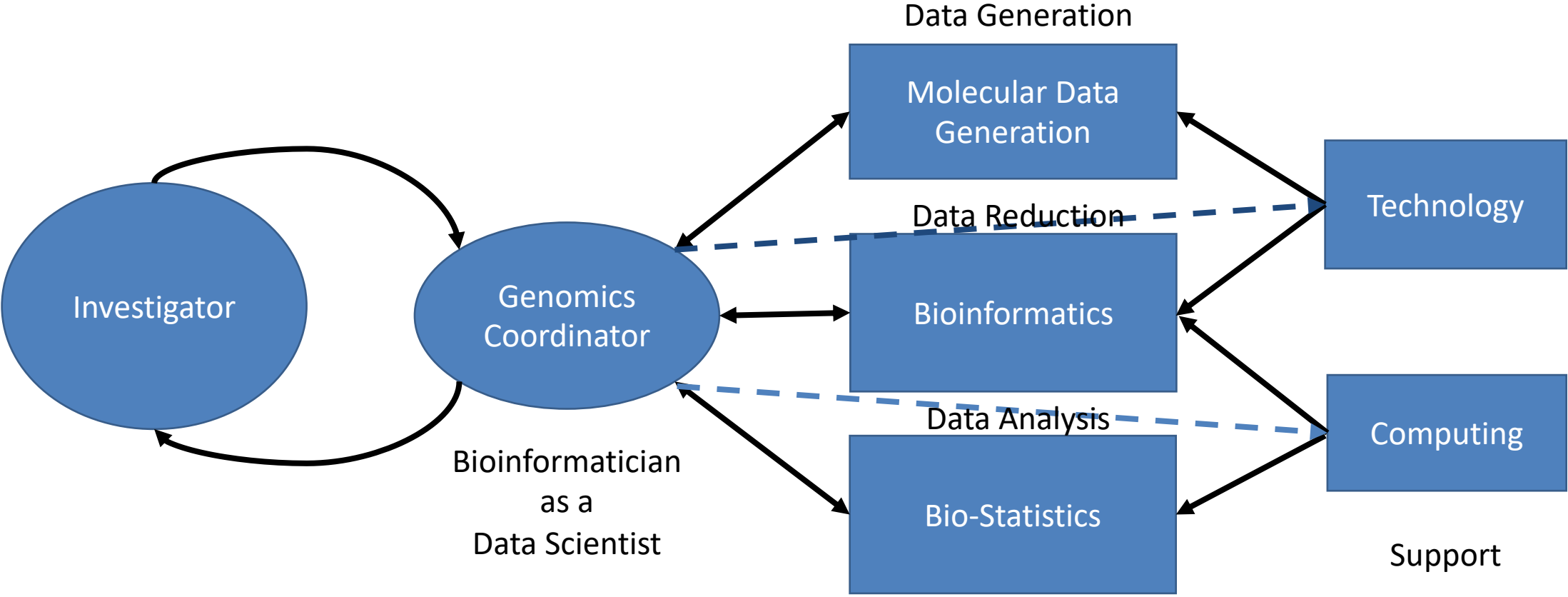
# “The real cost of sequencing”



# Old (Current) Model - Genomics

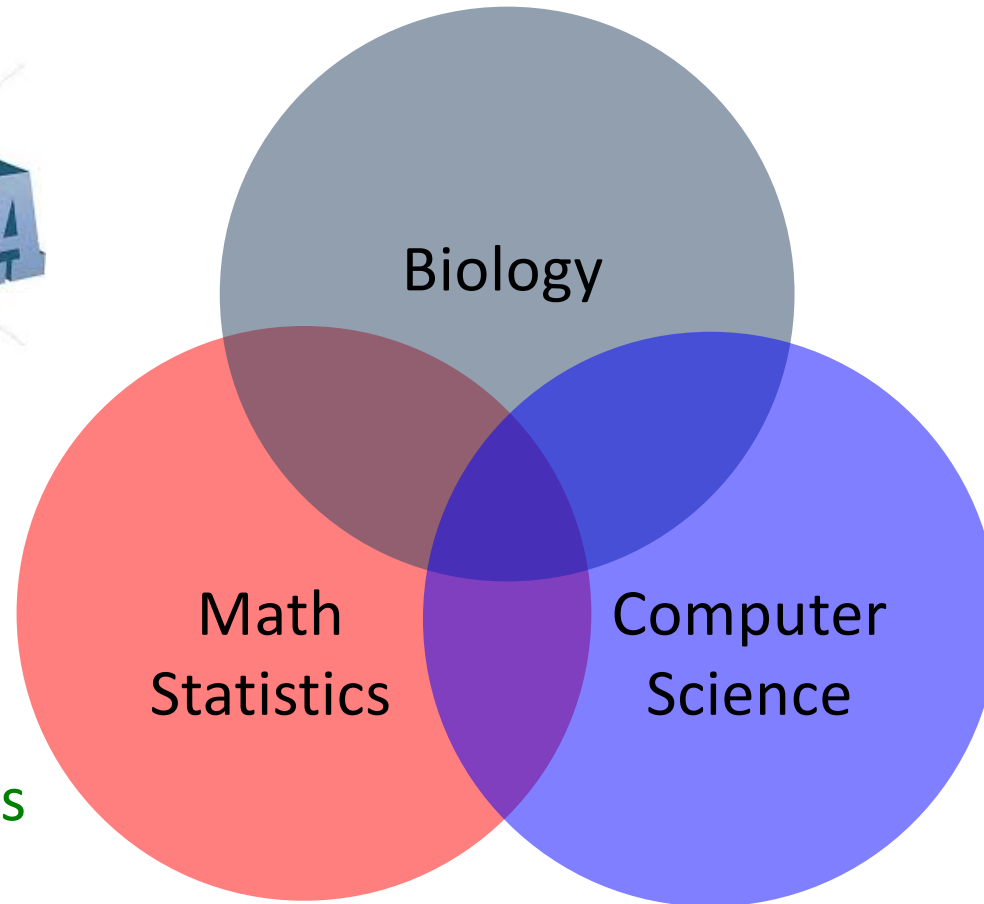


# Needed Model - Genomics



# Genomics Coordinator – Data Scientist

Computational Biology

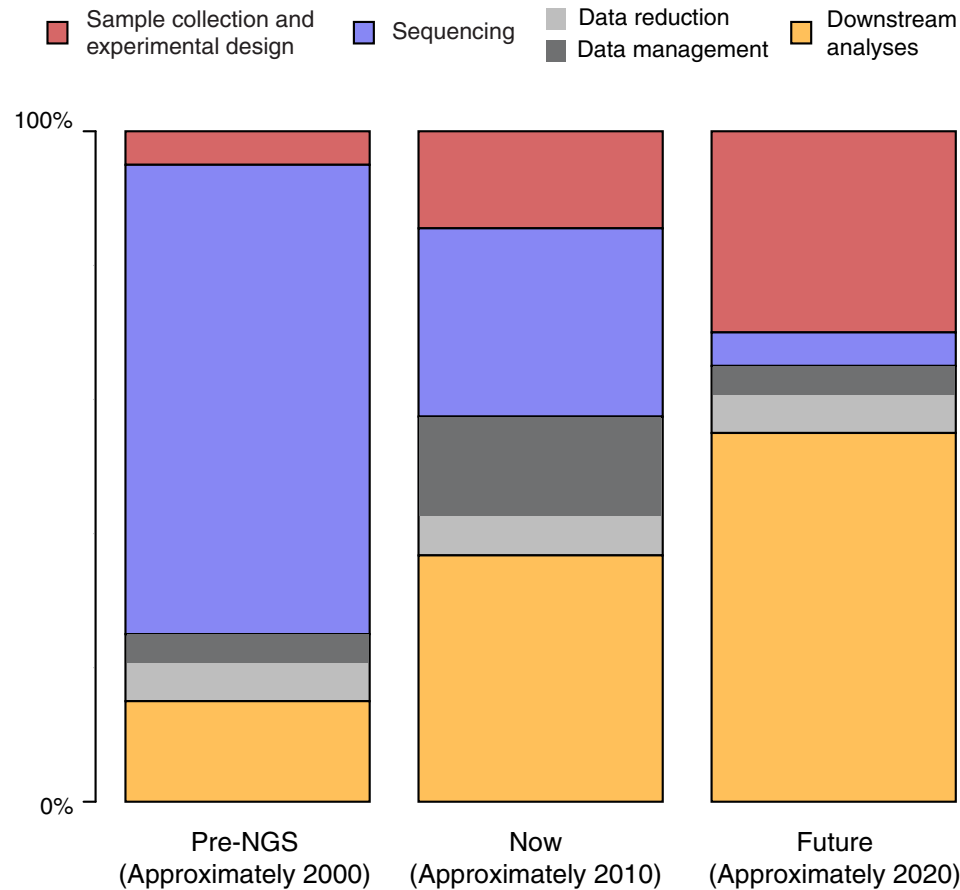
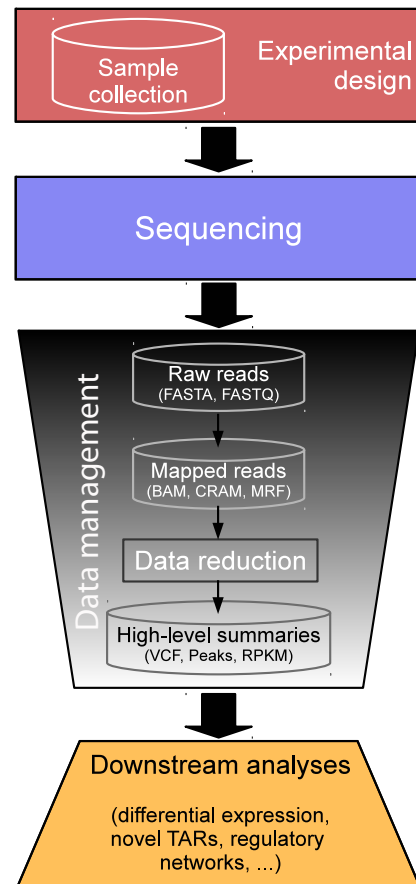


Biostatistics

Bioinformatics

‘The data scientist role has been described as “part analyst, part artist.”’  
Anjul Bhambhri, vice president of big data products at IBM

# “The real cost of sequencing”



Genomics  
Coordinator  
Bioinformatics  
Data Scientist



# Prerequisites for doing Bioinformatics

- Access to a multi-core (24 cpu or greater), 'high' memory 64Gb or greater Linux server.
- Familiarity with the 'command line' and at least one programming language.
- Basic knowledge of how to install software
- Basic knowledge of R (or equivalent) and statistical programming
- Basic knowledge of Statistics and model building

# Training - Models

- Workshops
  - Often enrolled too late
- Collaborations
  - More experience persons
- Apprenticeships
  - Previous lab personnel to young personnel
- Formal Education
  - Most programs are graduate level
  - Few Undergraduate

# Substrate

Cloud Computing



Cluster Computing



BAS™

# LINUX

Laptop & Desktop



# Environment

“Command Line” and “Programming Languages”



vs

Bioinformatics Software Suite



# Training: Data Science Bias

Data Science (data analysis, bioinformatics) is most often taught through an apprentice model

Different disciplines/regions develop their own subcultures, and decisions are based on cultural conventions rather than empirical evidence.

- Programming languages
- Statistical models (Bayes vs. Frequentist)
- Multiple testing correction
- Application choice, etc.

These (and others) decisions matter **a lot** in data analysis

*"I saw it in a widely-cited paper in journal XX from my field"*



# The last mile



<http://www.bikeblanket.com/blog/suisse>

# The Bottom Line: In Genomics

Spend the time (and money) planning and producing **good quality, accurate and sufficient data.**

Get to know to the data, develop and test expectations, explore and identify patterns.

Result, **spend much less time** (and less money) extracting biological significance and results with fewer failures and reproducible research.