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Metagenomic 3C, full length 16S amplicon sequencing on Illumina, and the diabetic skin microbiome

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Skin and wound microbiome in type II diabetes

- Does diabetes affect the composition of the skin microbiome, and does this affect microbial colonisation of chronic wounds?
- 10 diabetic and 10 control subjects
 - Sampled every 2 weeks over a 12 week period
 - Skin (foot), wounds (diabetics)

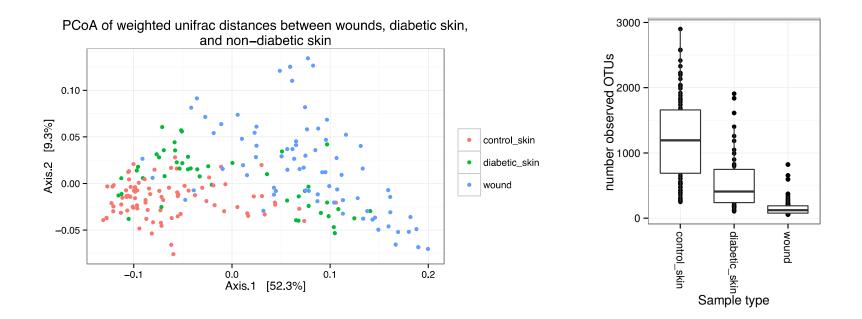




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• Main difference between control and diabetic skin is decreased diversity (at this resolution....)



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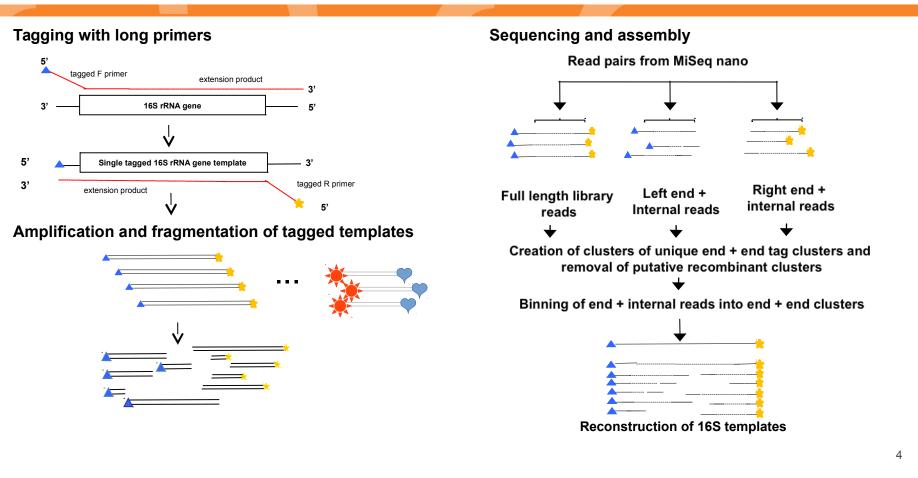
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- Sequencing of full length 16S sequences via addition of unique molecular tags, fragmentation, sequencing and reconstruction.
 - Higher quality sequences
 - Better phylogenetic resolution
 - Removal of PCR artifacts
 - Improvement on PCR bias
- Removal of PCR artifacts and amplification bias



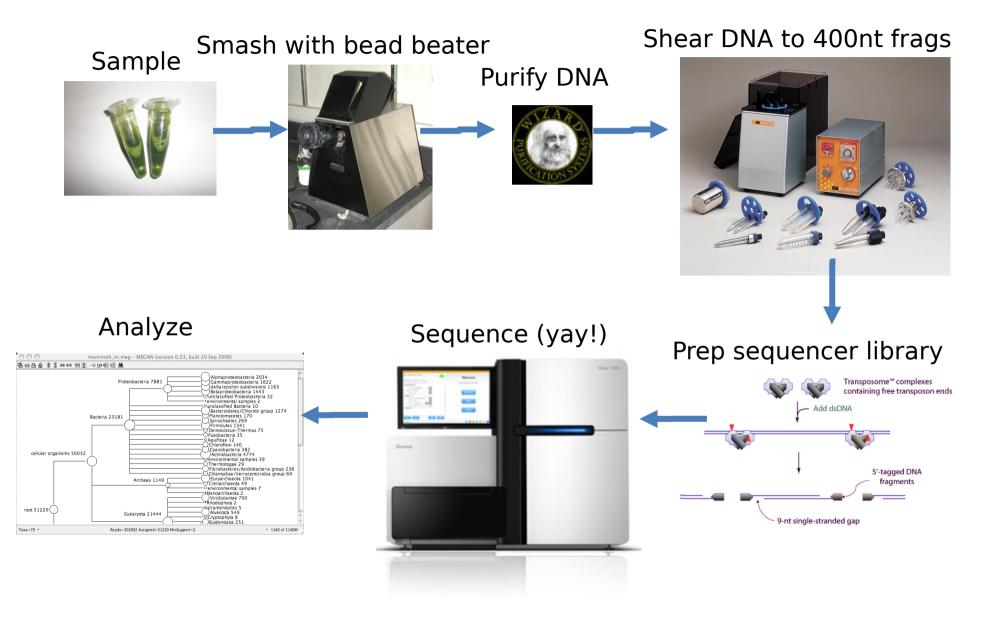


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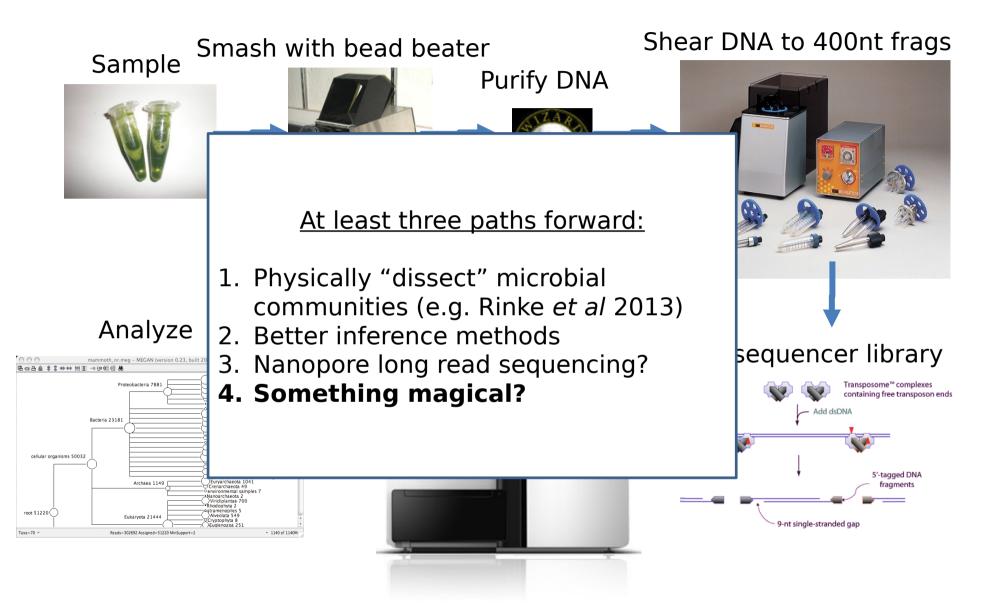




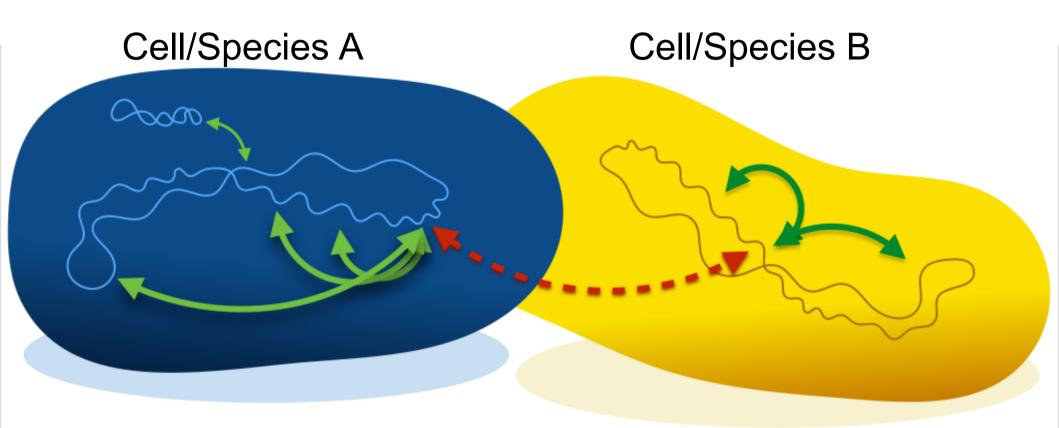
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We propose to use 3C / Hi-C for metagenomics

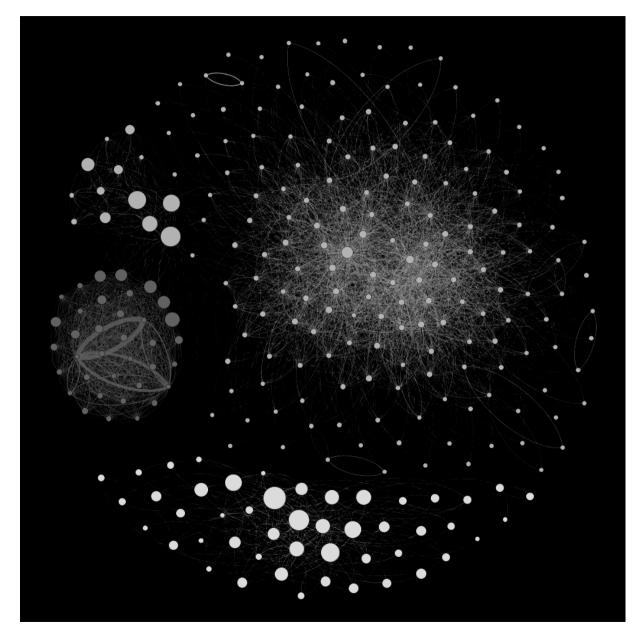


Conjecture: DNA in the same cell will become crosslinked, ligated, and sequenced more frequently (green links) than DNA fragments from different cells (red links)

A little test: Mix up isolate cultures of four species (five strains) with finished genomes, apply Hi-C, sequence on MiSeq. Can reconstruct the input genomes

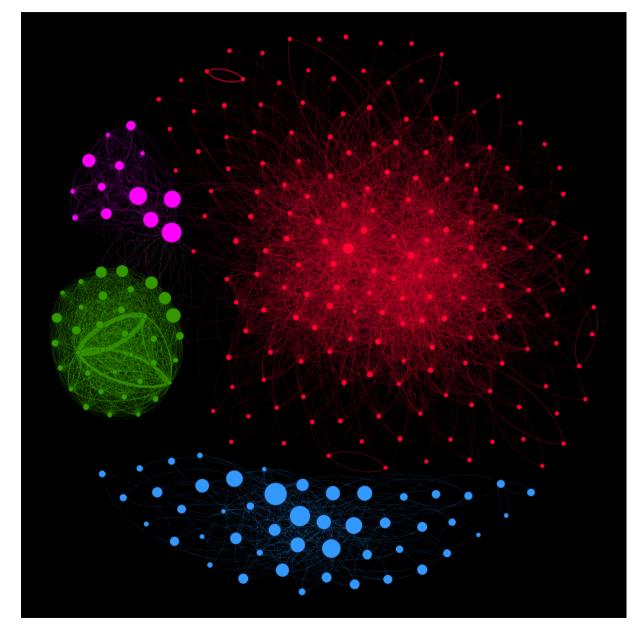
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- Nodes are scaffolds
- node size \propto scaffold size
- edge weights ∝ normalized
 Hi-C read counts linking scaffolds
- Fruchterman-Reingold layout



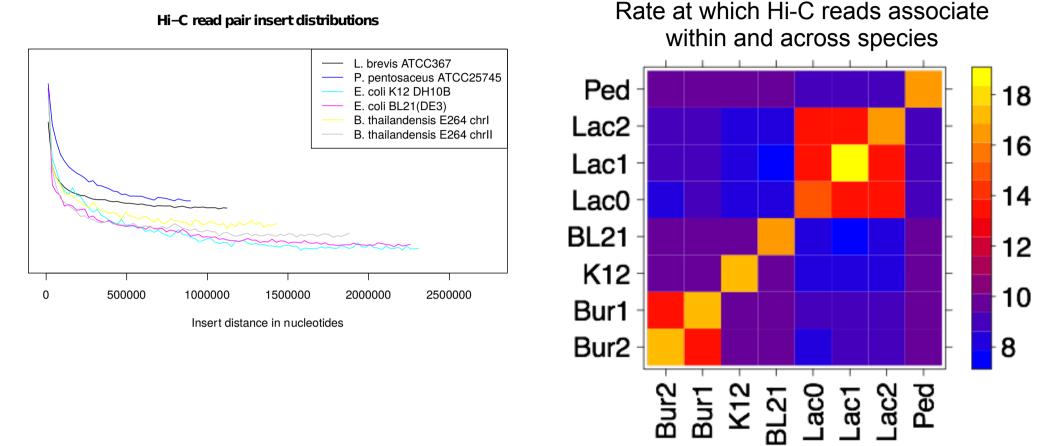
A Hi-C scaffold graph

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- Fruchterman Reingold layout
- Nodes colored by SPECIES
- Can we actually compute clusters?
- Markov clustering, I=1.1:
 4 clusters, >97% of genome in each bin



Beitel et al 2014 PeerJ.

Contig clustering: why it works



- 99% of Hi-C read pairs associate within-species
- Hi-C read pairs associate throughout the chromosome
- Spans distances that no existing or imaginary "long read" technology can cover

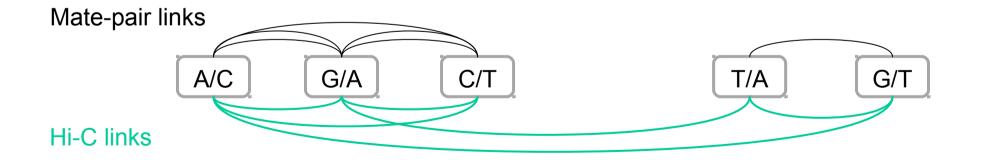
Resolving strain differences: Single nucleotide variants

Define a variant graph:

- Sites containing SNPs between E. coli K12 and BL21 are nodes
- Edges link SNP sites observed in same read pair

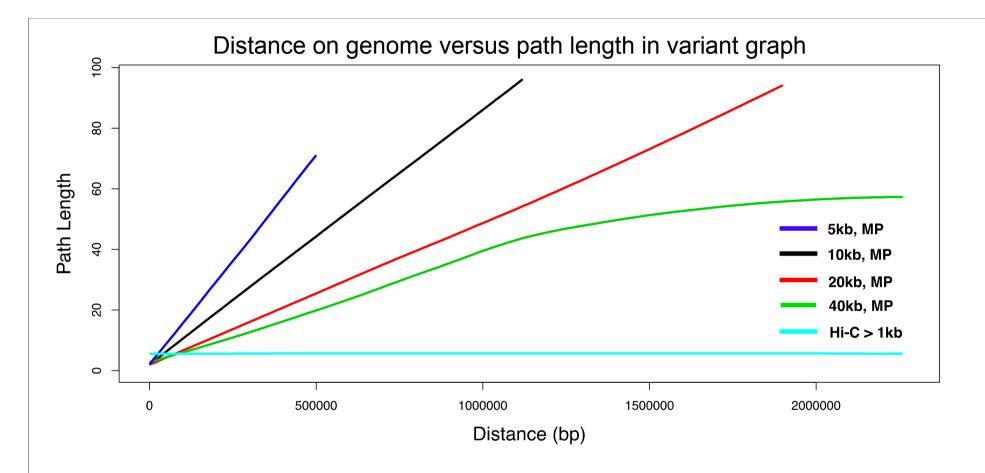
Are Hi-C graphs are better connected than mate-pair??

	5k MP	10k MP	20k MP	Hi-C
Nodes in largest connected component	6.2%	16.6%	32.4%	97.8%



Mate-pairs and paired-end reads make only "local" connections Hi-C makes local and global connections

Resolving strain differences: Hi-C versus mate-pair



Mate pair graph distances scale linearly.

Hi-C graphs are scale invariant.

Estimation error in probability of variant linkage grows with path length!

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