

# Genomic Data Compression and Processing for Large and Growing Databases

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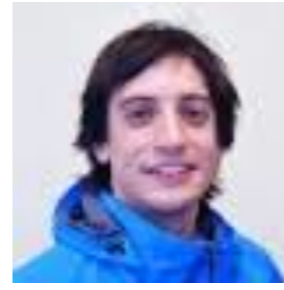
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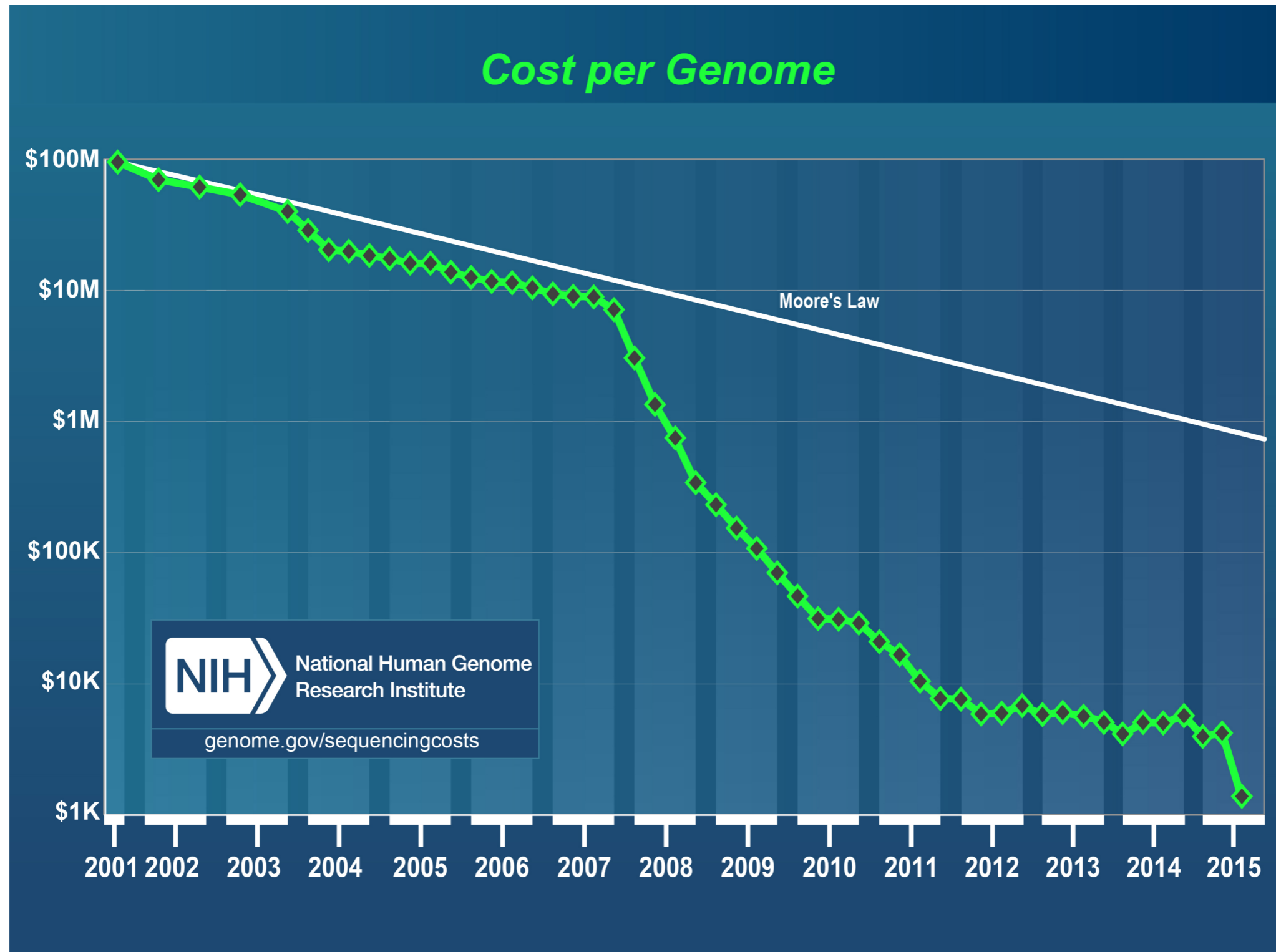


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a slide we've seen (multiple times..)



# why compression of genomic data?

- proxy for reduced cost of storage, communication, computation, processing, etc.
- compression as modelling

# 2 modes

- lossless
- lossy

(true) story of human genome compression

# Single Genome Compression

- ▶ **FASTA Compression:** Compression of a single genome
- ▶ Human genome can be represented using 2 bits/bp, compressed size  $\approx 1\text{GB}$
- ▶ Specialized compressors: MFCompress<sup>1</sup> :  $\approx 1.6$  bits/bp
- ▶  $H(\text{human genome})$ : "Entropy" of the human genome

$$H(\text{human genome}) \lesssim 2 \text{ bits/bp} \sim 1 \text{ GB}$$

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<sup>1</sup>A. J. Pinho and D. Pratas, "MFCompress: a compression tool for FASTA and multi-FASTA data", *Bioinformatics*, vol. 30, no. 1, pp. 117–118, 2014.

# Using a reference

- ▶  $H(\text{human genome}) \lesssim 1 \text{ GB}$
- ▶ We can do better if we know another genome (reference)
- ▶ **Using a reference:** GenomeZip<sup>2</sup> compresses James Watson's genome using:  $\approx 2.5 \text{ MB}$

$$H \left( \begin{array}{c} \text{human} \\ \text{genome} \end{array} \middle| \begin{array}{c} \text{another} \\ \text{human} \\ \text{genome} \end{array} \right) \lesssim 2.5 \text{ MB}$$

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<sup>2</sup>D. S. Pavlichin, T. Weissman, and G. Yona, "The human genome contracts again", *Bioinformatics*, vol. 29, no. 17, pp. 2199–2202, 2013.



# Using a collection

- ▶  $H(\text{human genome}) \lesssim 1 \text{ GB}$
- ▶  $H\left(\text{human genome} \left| \begin{array}{l} \text{another} \\ \text{human} \\ \text{genome} \end{array} \right. \right) \lesssim 2.5 \text{ MB}$

- ▶ **GTRAC**<sup>3</sup> compressor:

$$H\left(\text{human genome} \left| \begin{array}{l} 1\text{K} \\ \text{other} \\ \text{genomes} \end{array} \right. \right) \lesssim 1 \text{ MB}$$

- ▶ **GTC**<sup>4</sup> compressor:

$$H\left(\text{human genome} \left| \begin{array}{l} 27\text{K} \\ \text{other} \\ \text{genomes} \end{array} \right. \right) \lesssim 200 \text{ KB}$$

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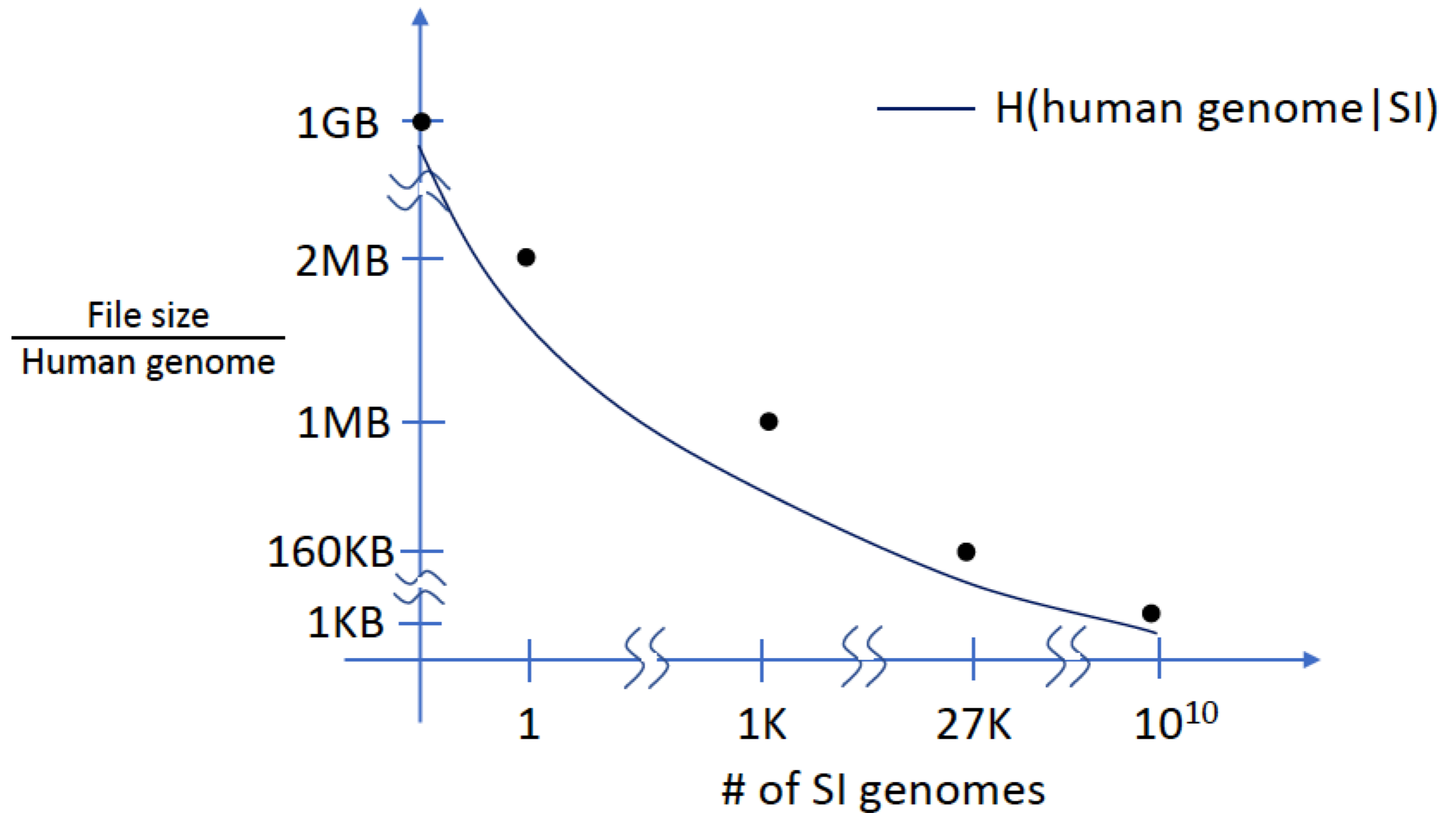
<sup>3</sup>K. Tatwawadi, M. Hernaez, I. Ochoa, *et al.*, "GTRAC: fast retrieval from compressed collections of genomic variants", *Bioinformatics*, vol. 32, no. 17, pp. i479–i486, 2016.

<sup>4</sup>A. Danek and S. Deorowicz, "GTC: how to maintain huge genotype collections in a compressed form", *Bioinformatics*, 2018.

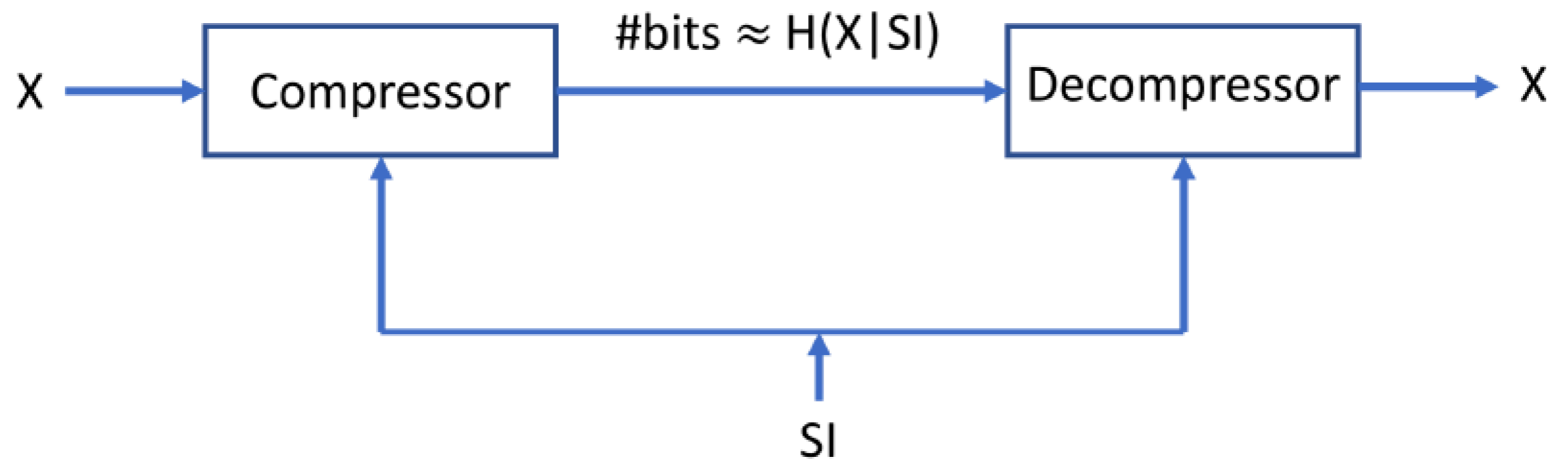
# Full Genome Compression

- ▶  $H(\text{human genome}) \lesssim 1 \text{ GB}$
- ▶  $H\left(\text{human genome} \middle| \text{another human genome}\right) \lesssim 2.5 \text{ MB}$
- ▶  $H\left(\text{human genome} \middle| \text{1K other genomes}\right) \lesssim 1 \text{ MB}$
- ▶  $H\left(\text{human genome} \middle| \text{27K other genomes}\right) \lesssim 200 \text{ KB}$

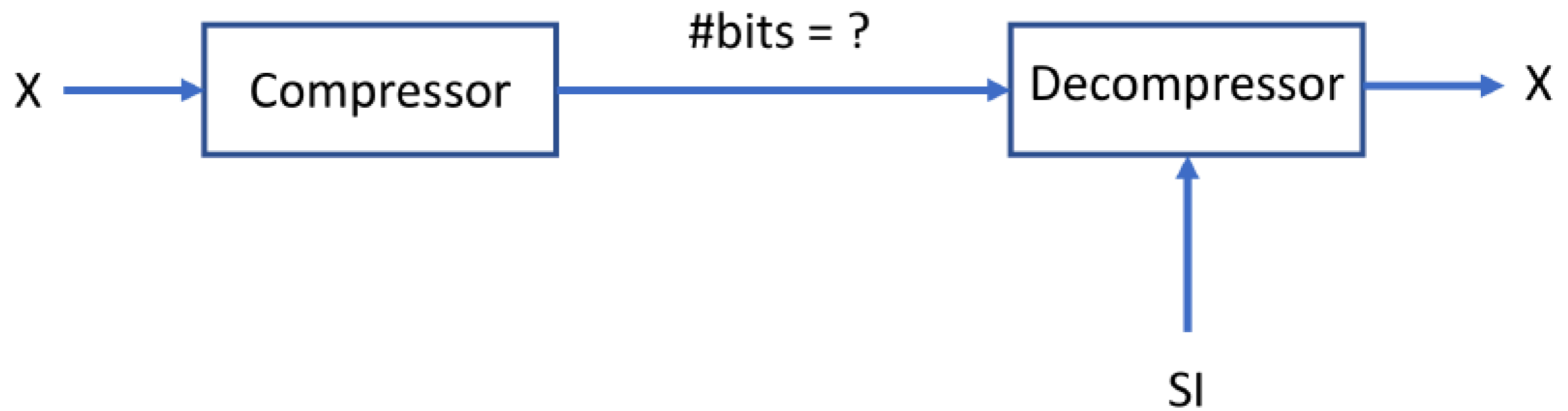
# File Size per Genome Vs Database Size



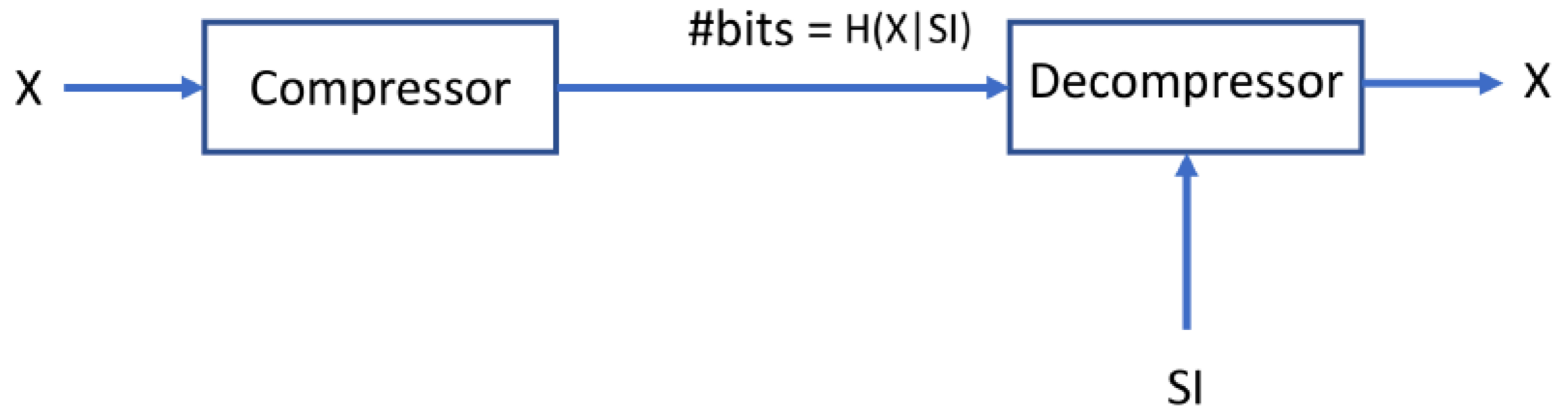
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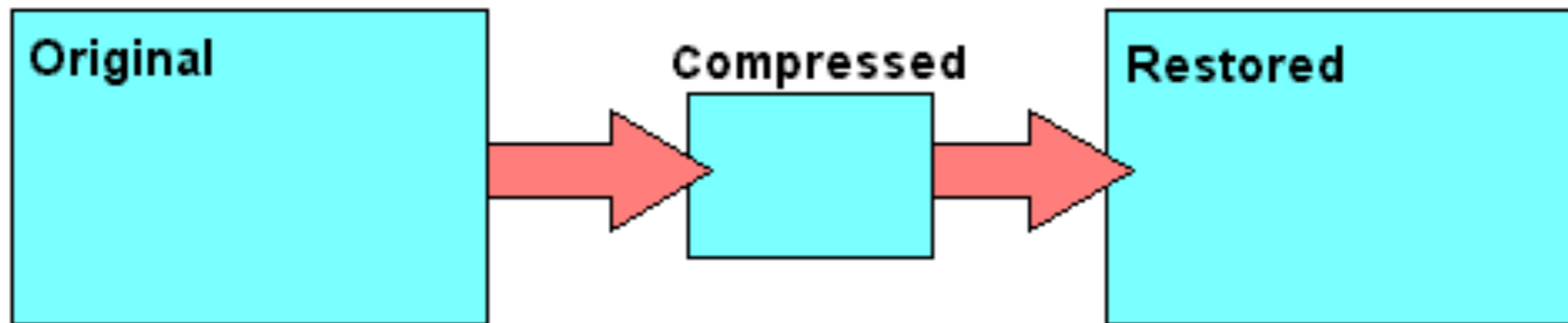


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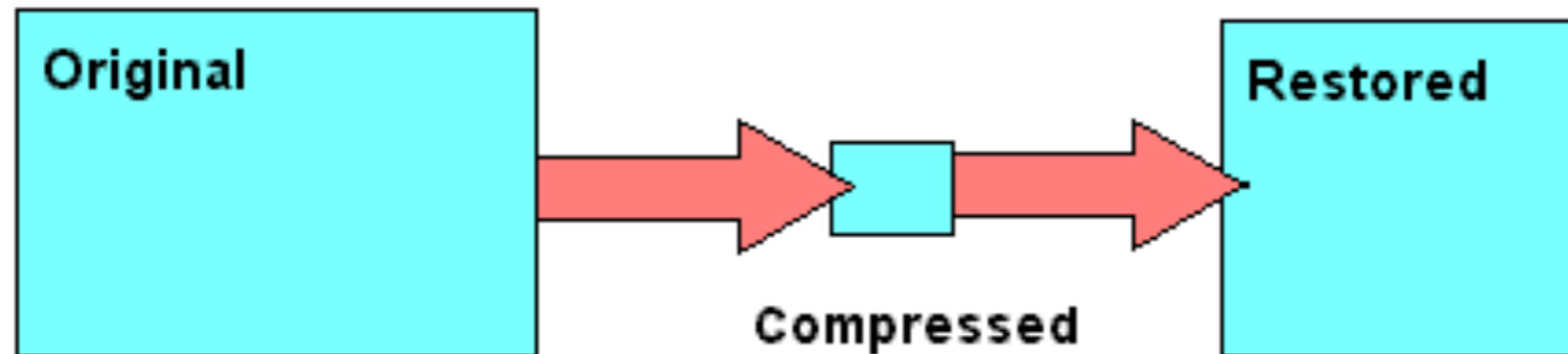
"Noiseless coding of correlated information sources"

# why lossy compression?

## LOSSLESS



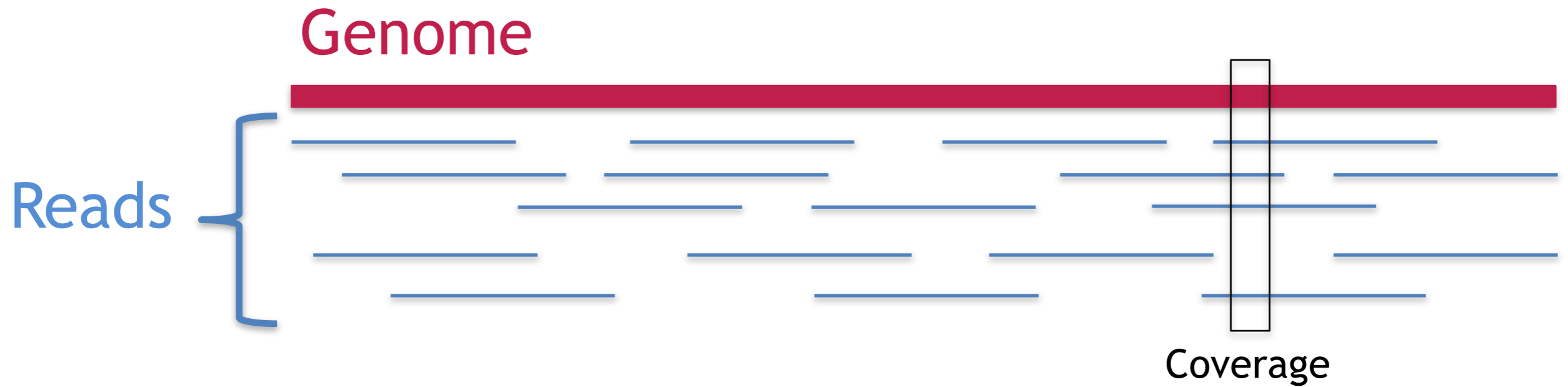
## LOSSY



why *lossy* compression of *genomic* data?

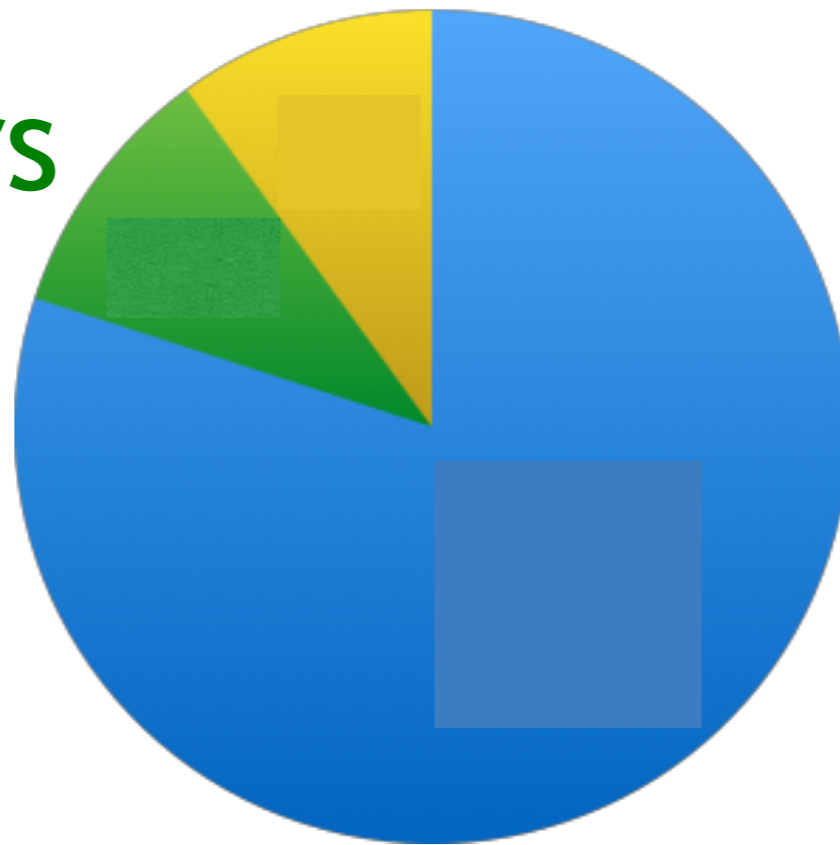


# genome sequencing



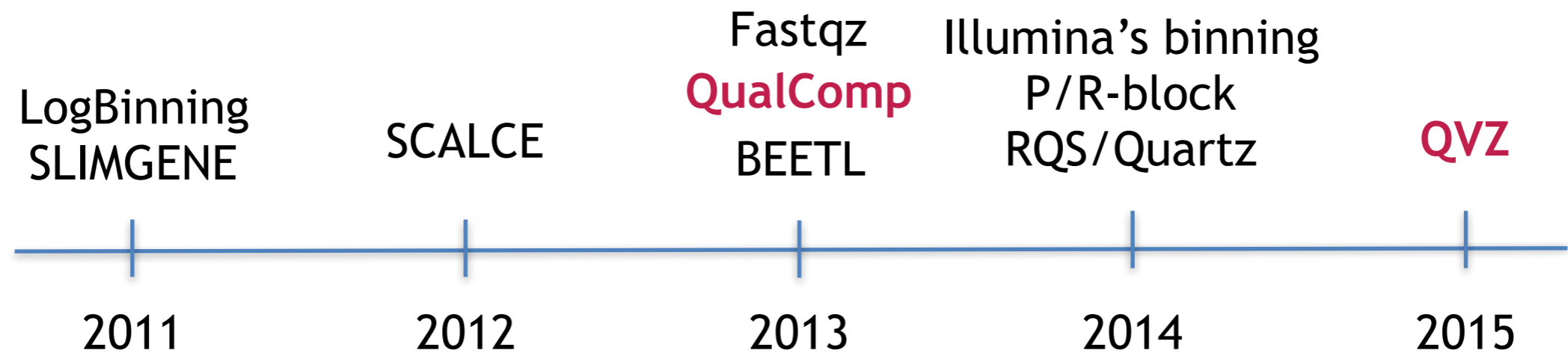
# Reads + alignment information

Identifiers



Quality scores

# lossy compressors of quality scores



**“QualComp: a new lossy compressor for quality scores based on rate distortion theory”**

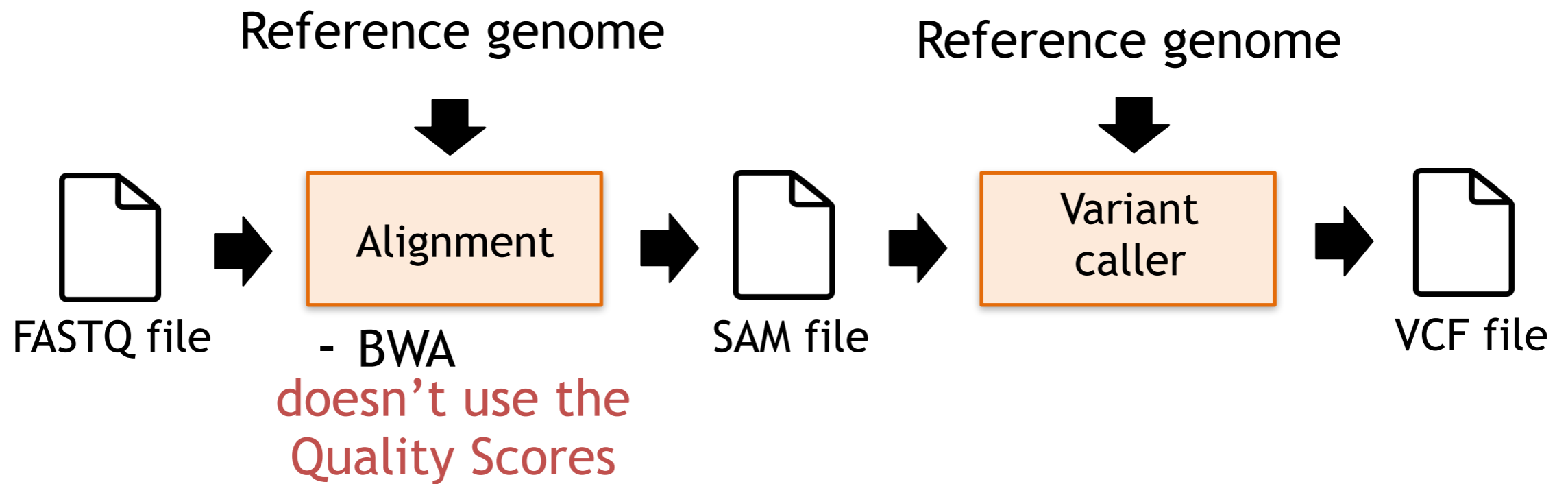
**“QVZ: lossy compression of quality values”**

how does  
lossy compression  
of quality scores  
affect the inference?

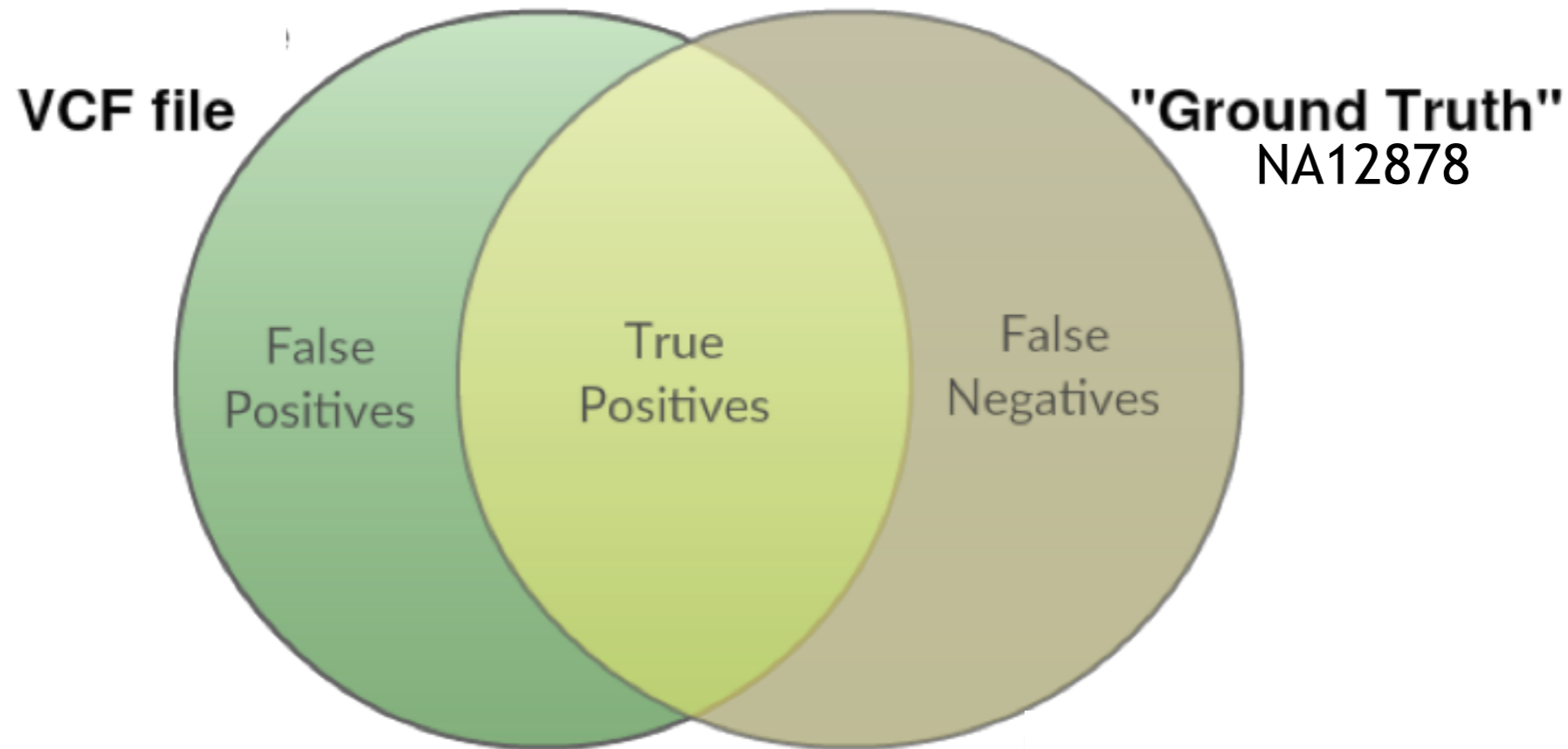
**“Effect of lossy compression of quality scores on variant calling”**

with Idoia Ochoa, Mikel Hernaez, Rachel Goldfeder and Euan Ashley

*Briefings in Bioinformatics, 2017*

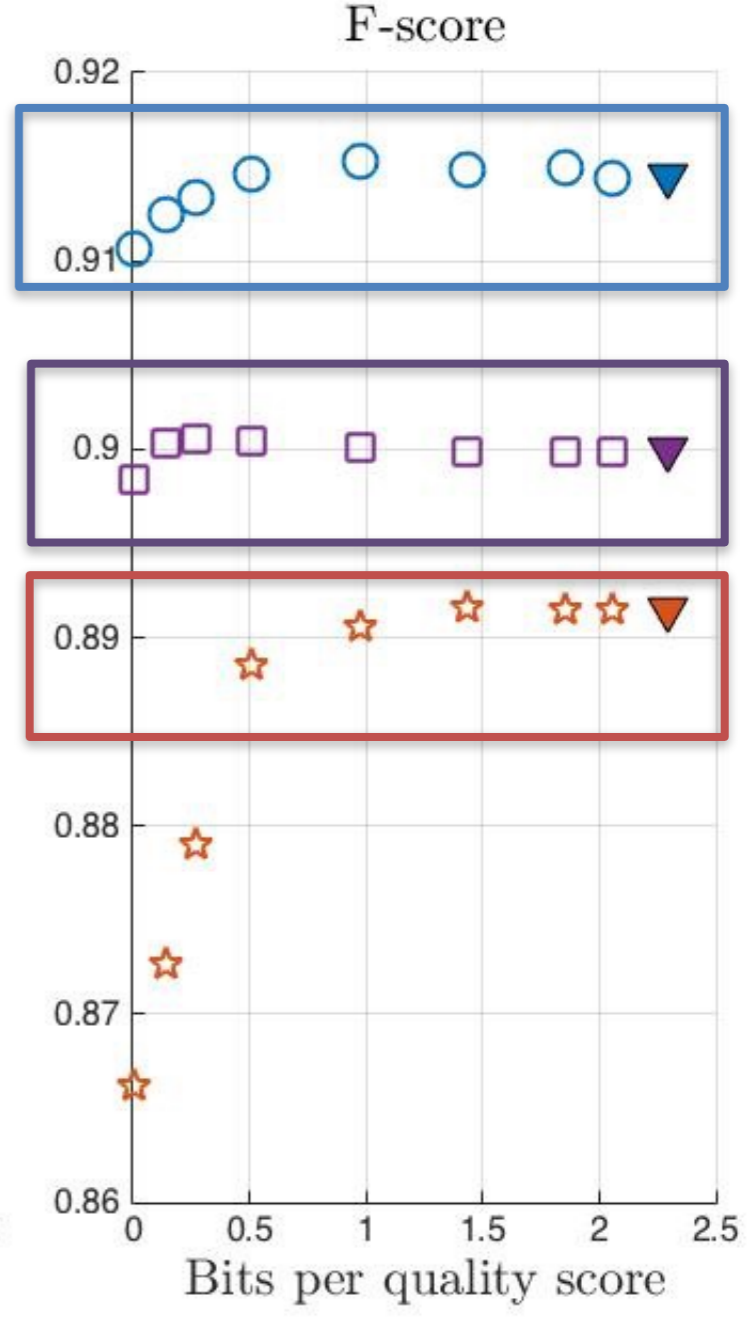
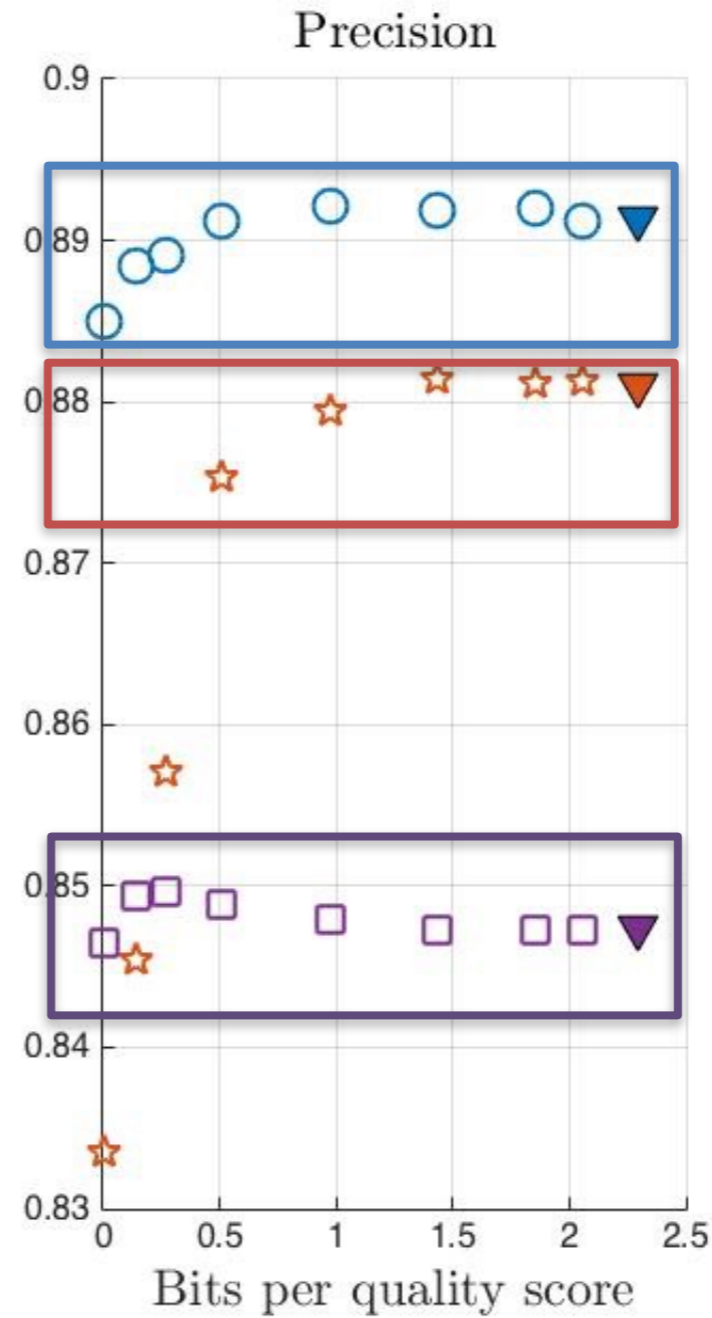
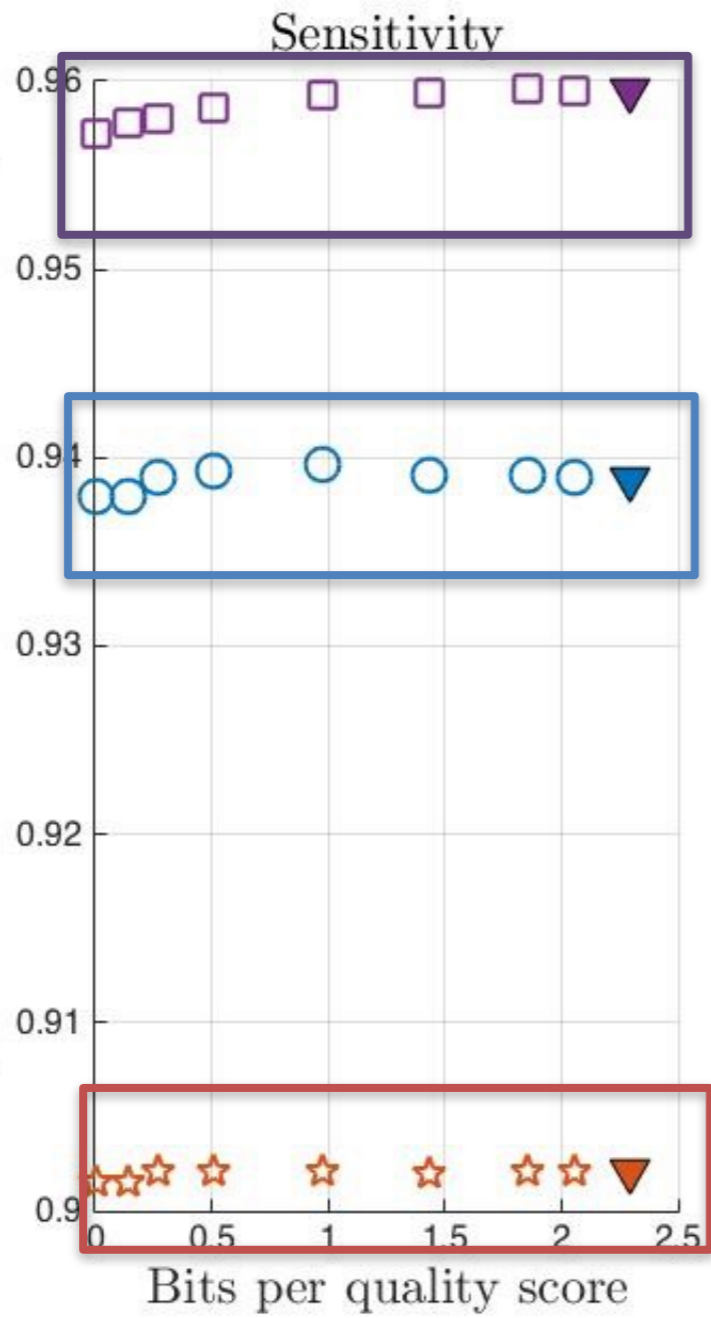
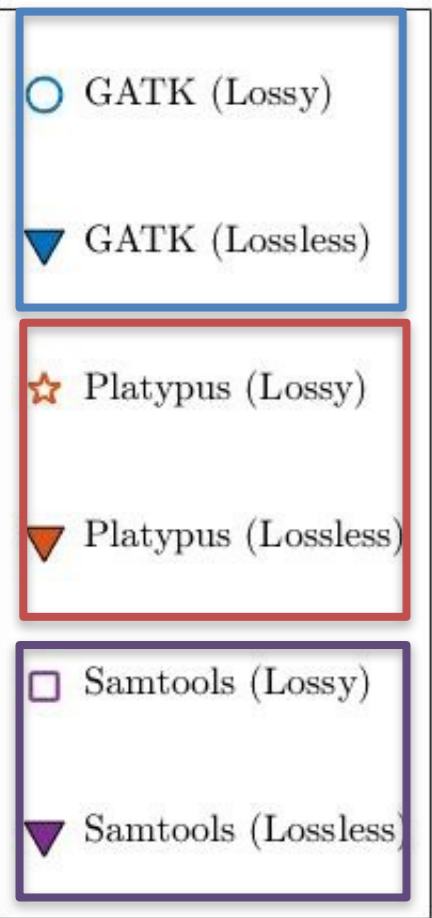


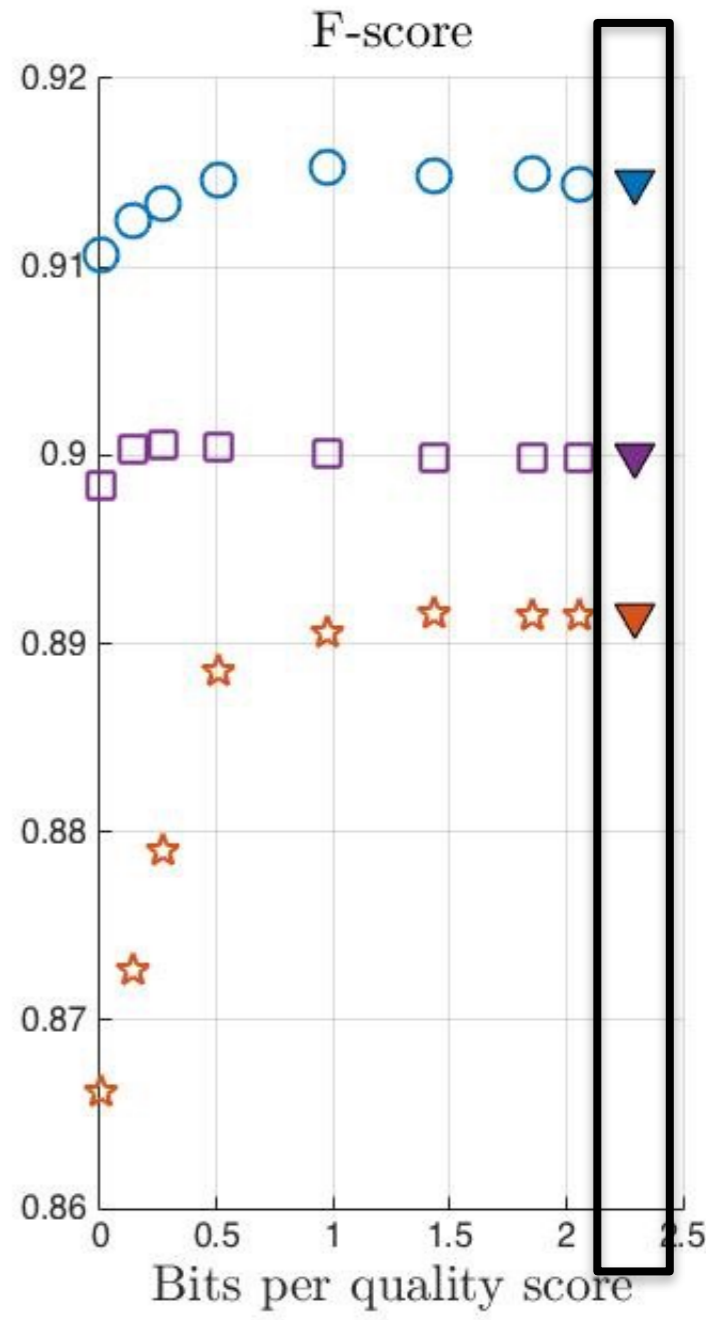
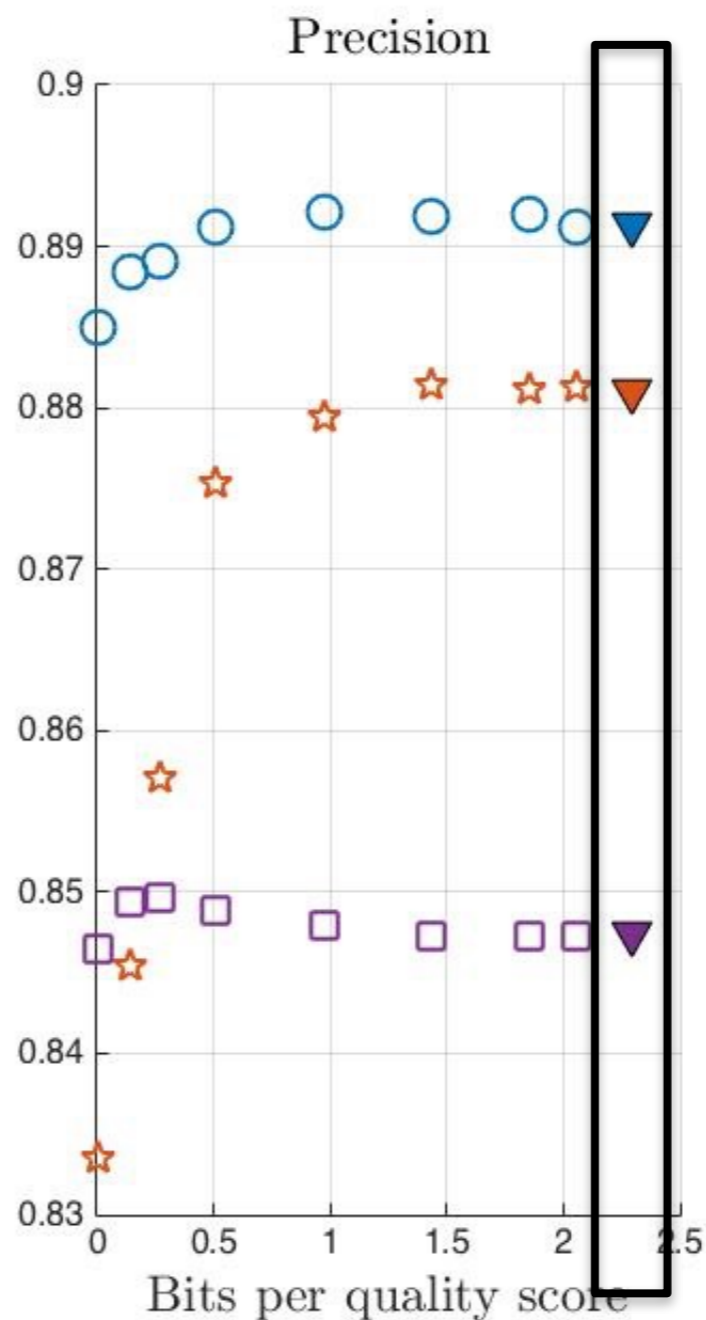
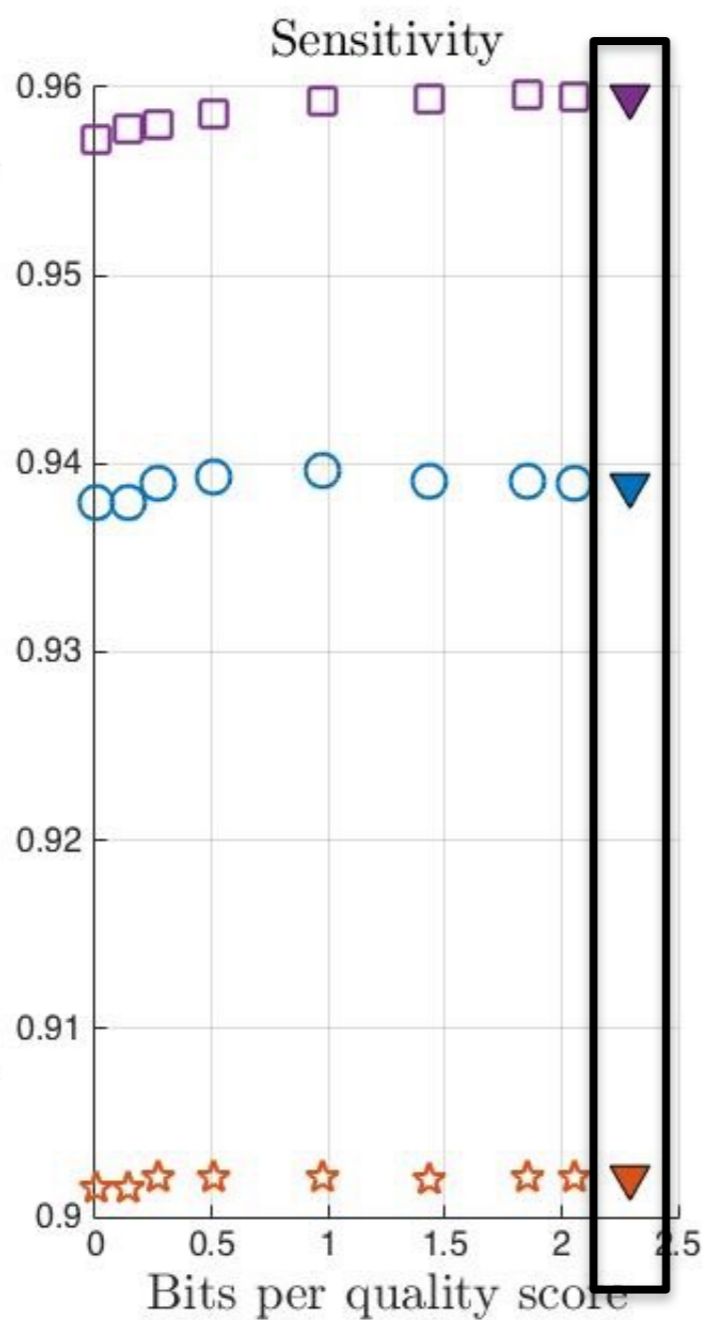
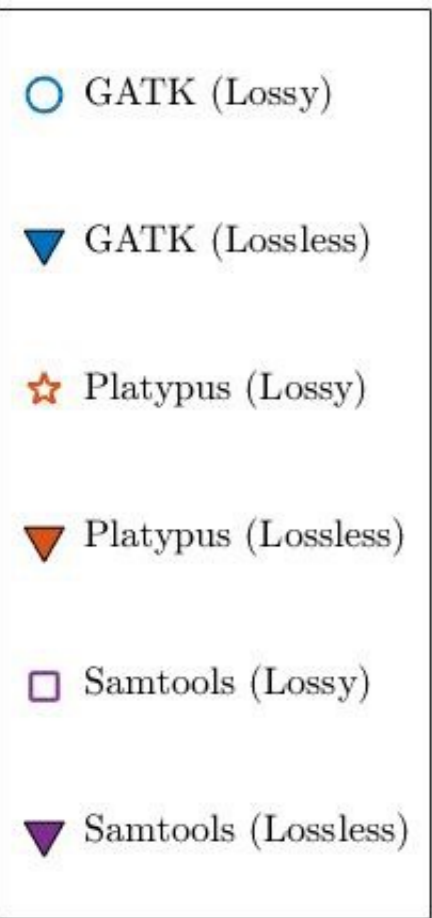
# performance metrics



- *sensitivity*:  $T.P. / (T.P. + F.N.)$
- *precision*:  $T.P. / (T.P. + F.P.)$
- *F-score*: Harmonic mean of sensitivity and precision

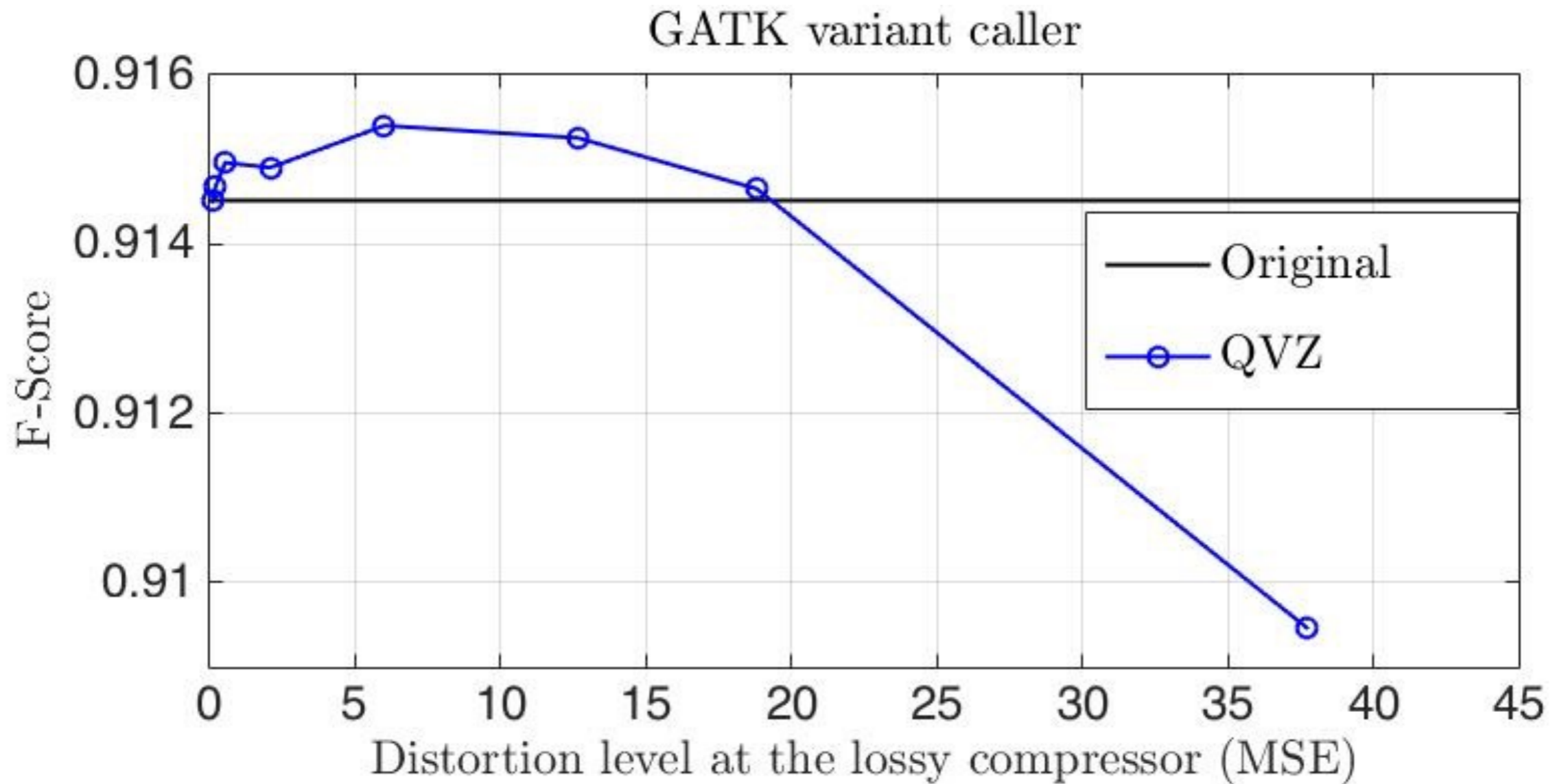
# NA12878, Chr. 11



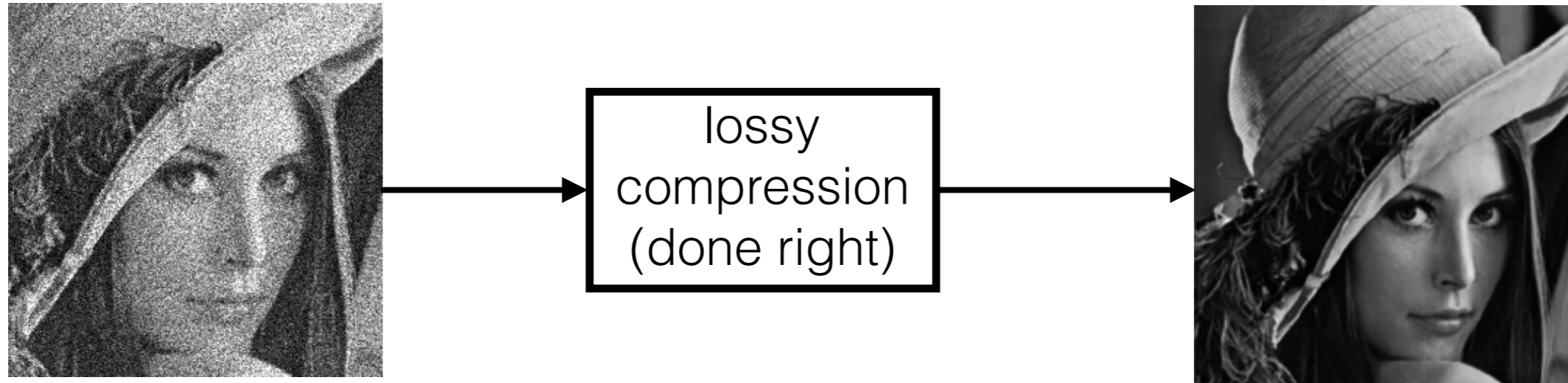




# zooming in

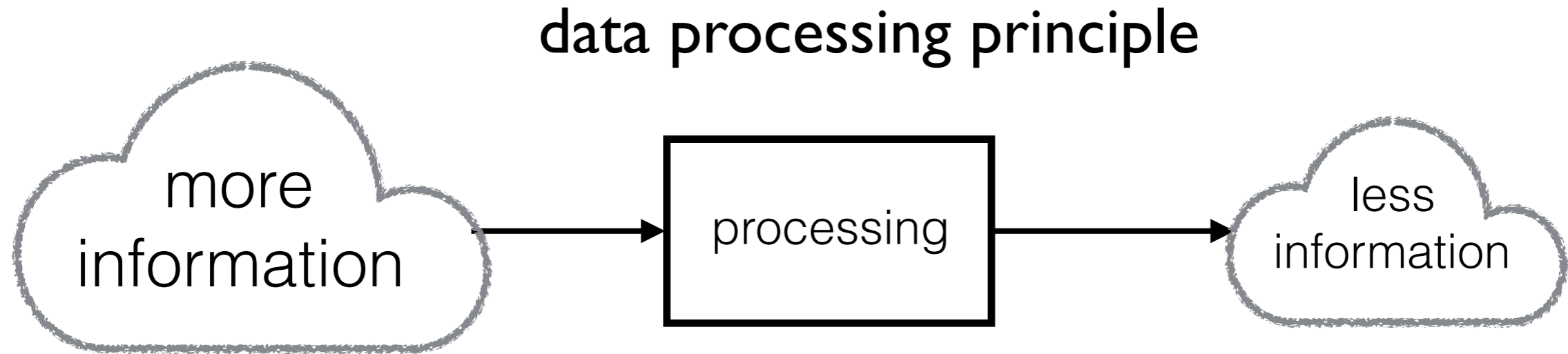


# denoising via lossy compression



- “Occam filters”
- “Compresstimation”
- etc.

# violating the data processing principle ?



suggests need to lift hood of:

- variant callers
- assemblers
- etc.

thanks