



# CANCER GENOMICS

## Lecture 3:

# Probabilistic Methods for Profiling Copy Number Alterations

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# Outline: Probabilistic Methods for Mutation Detection

## 1. Detecting Copy Number Alterations in Cancer Genomes

- Predicting copy number features from sequence data
- Copy number analysis workflow
- Data normalization

## 2. Continuous Hidden Markov Model (HMM)

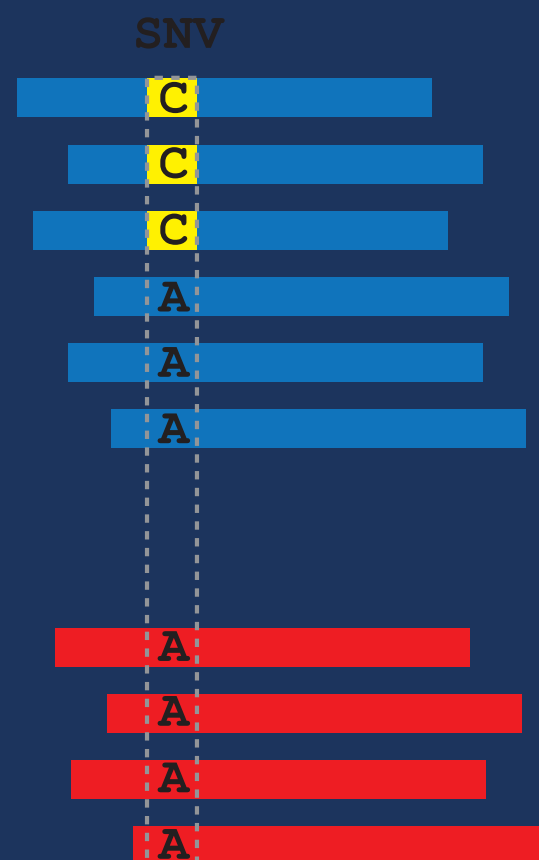
- Graphical model representation
- Components of a continuous HMM
- Inference & parameter estimation using expectation-maximization (EM)

## 3. Copy Number Profiling using a Hidden Markov Model

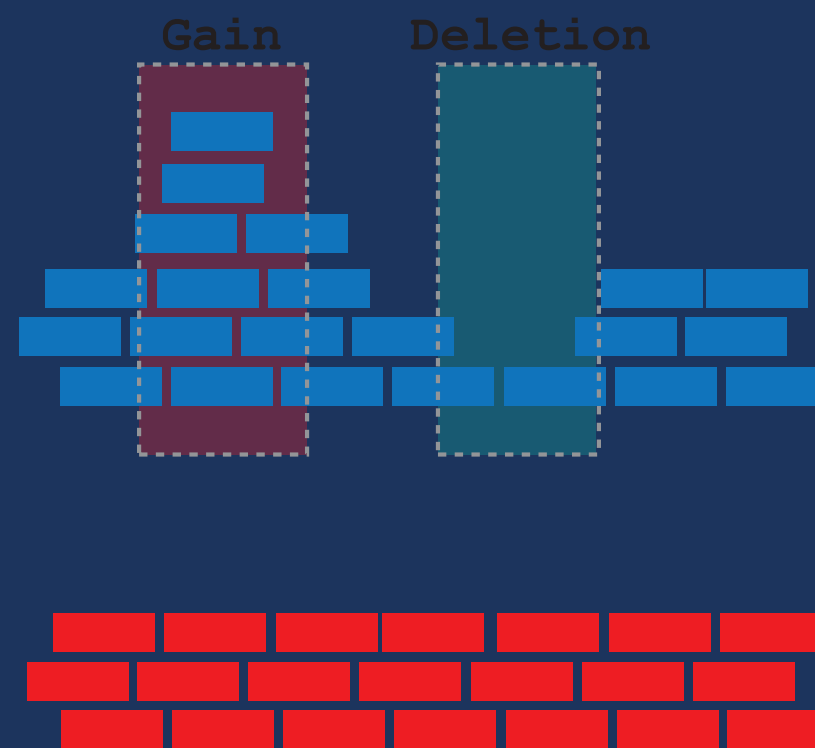
- Probabilistic model for copy number analysis
- Predicting copy number segments using the Viterbi algorithm

# 2. Detecting Mutations in Cancer Genomes

## Mutations (SNV, INDEL)

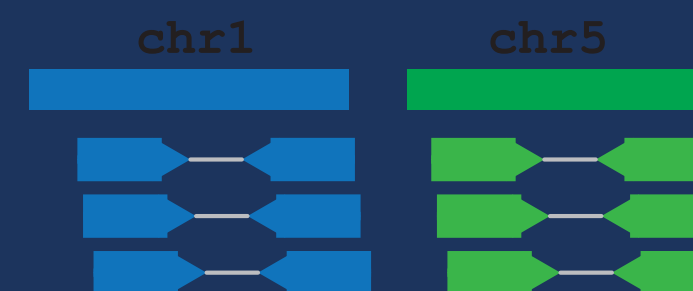
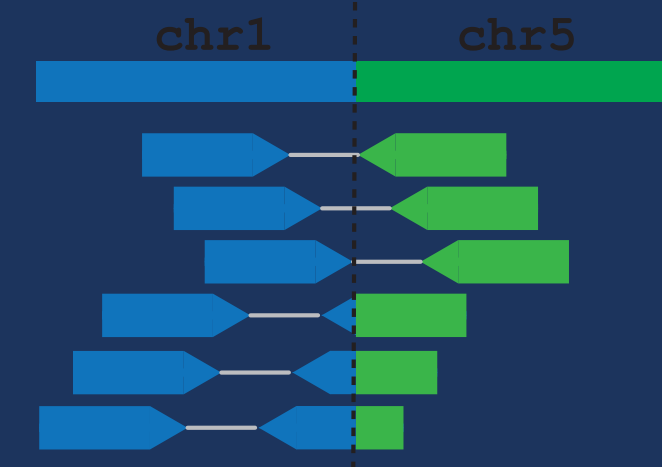


## Copy Number Alterations

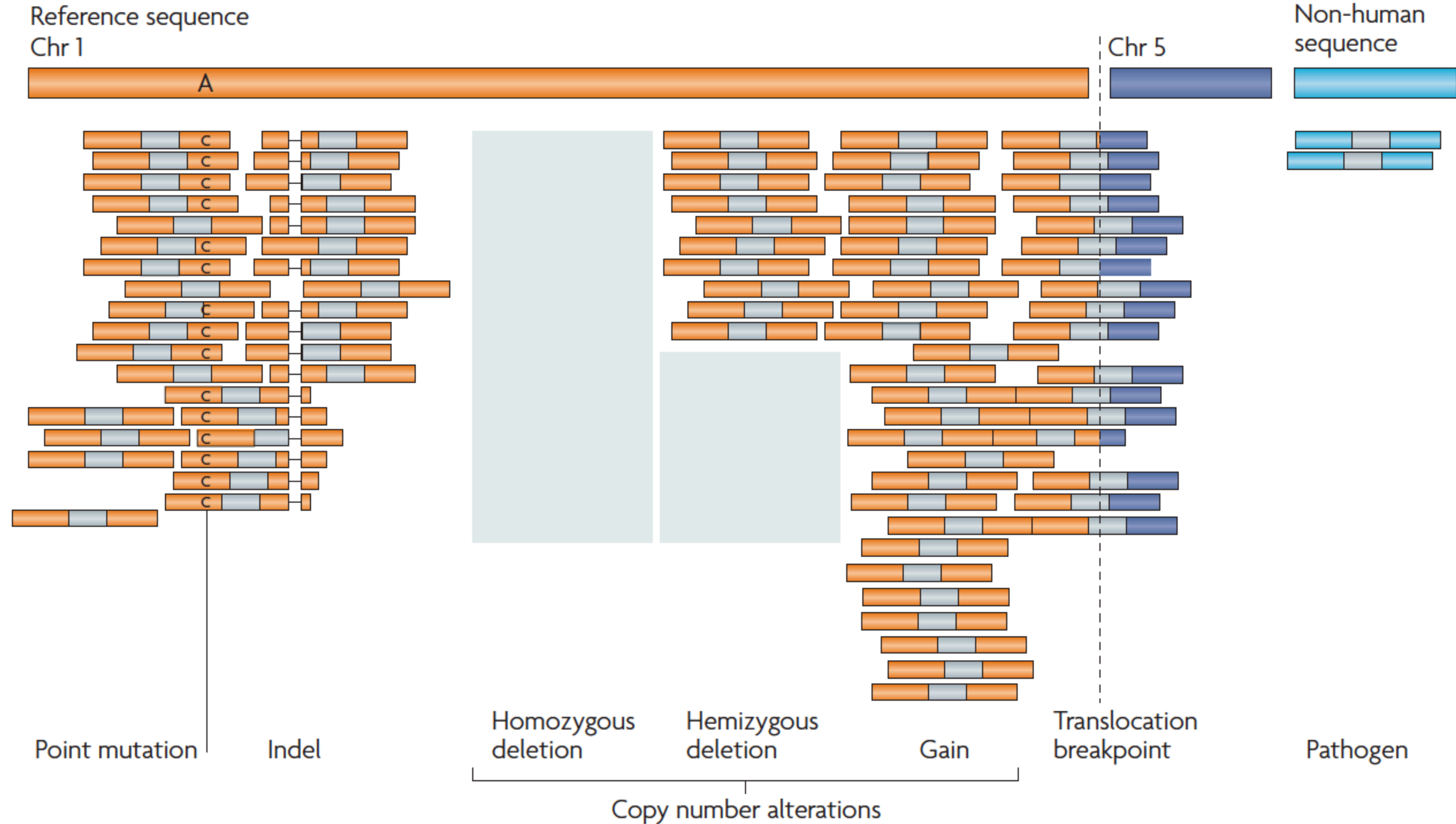


## Structural Variants

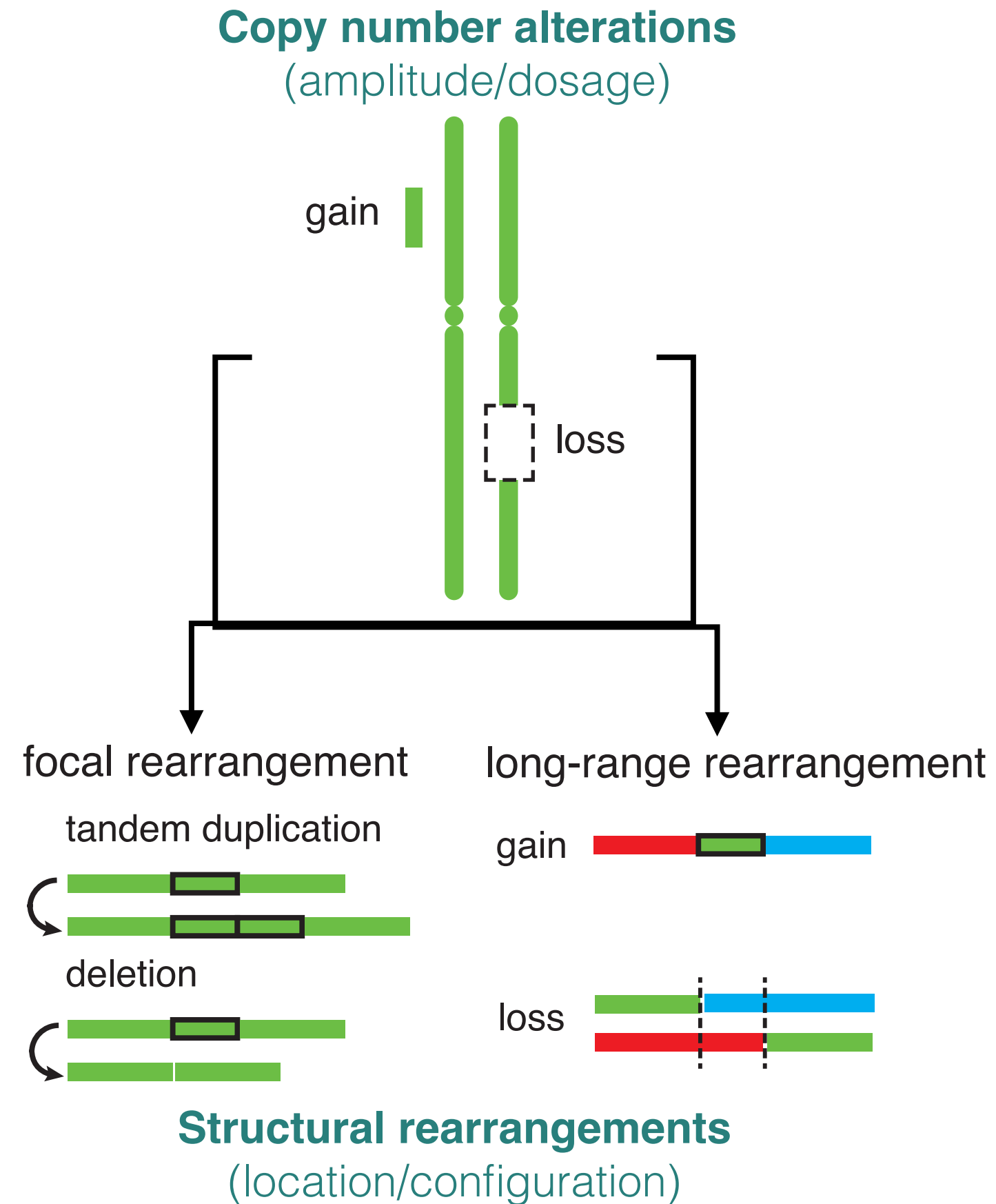
Rearrangement



# Predicting genomic alterations from sequence data

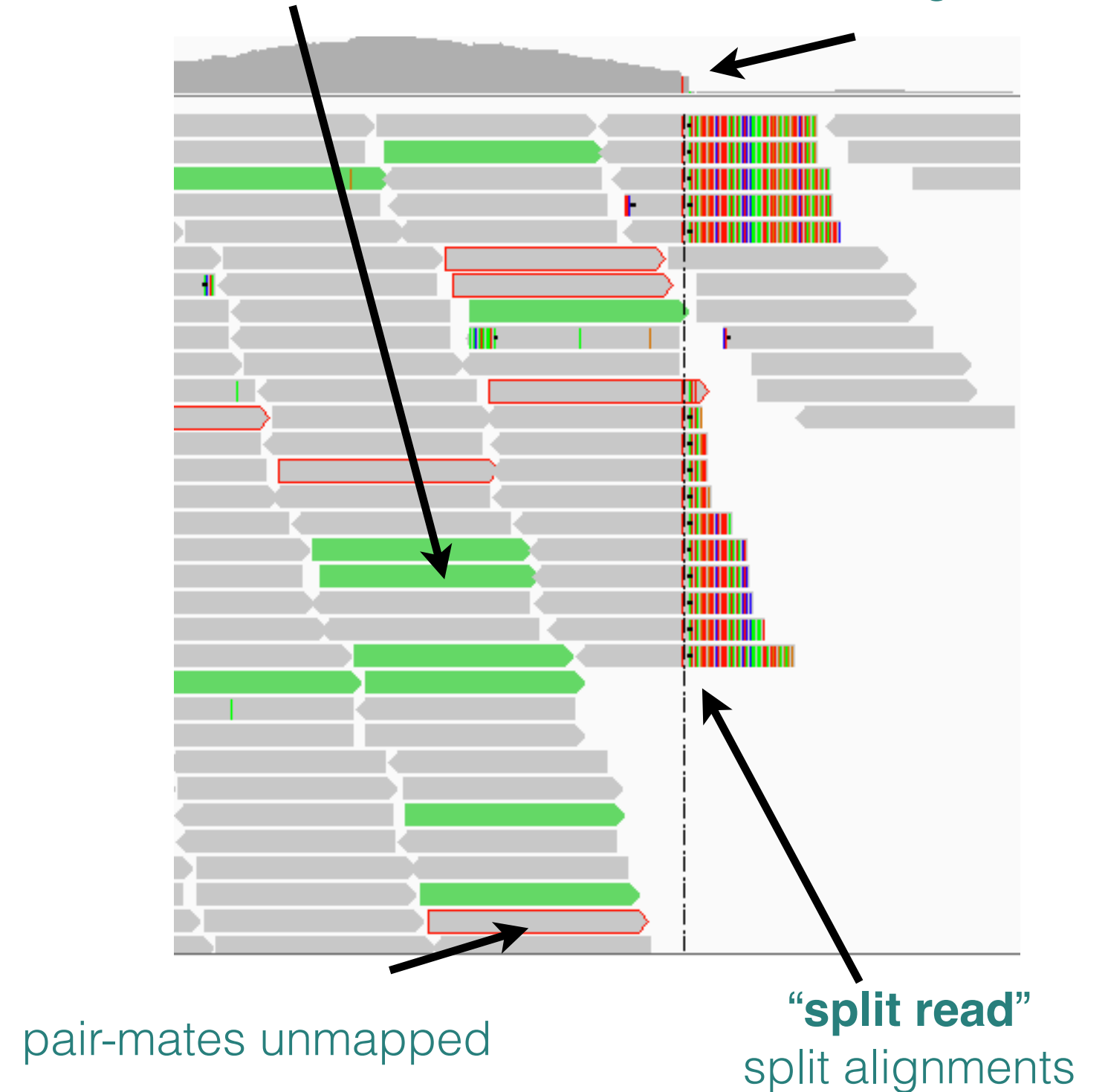


# Predicting genomic alterations from sequence data



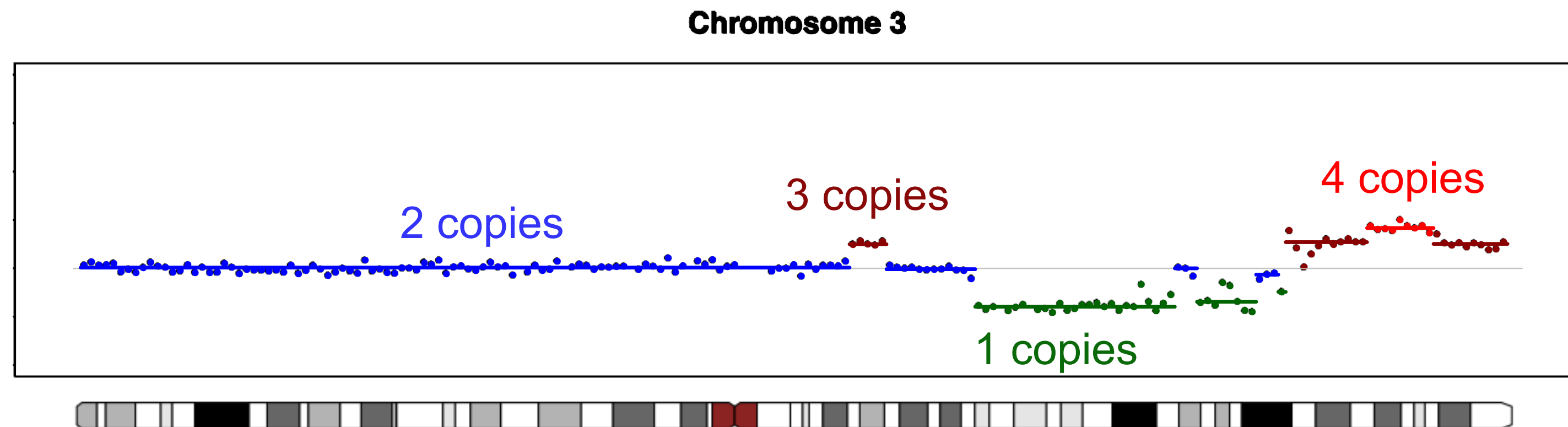
**“discordant read pair”**  
read pairs with aberrant  
inferred fragment length

**“copy number change”**  
abrupt change in read  
coverage

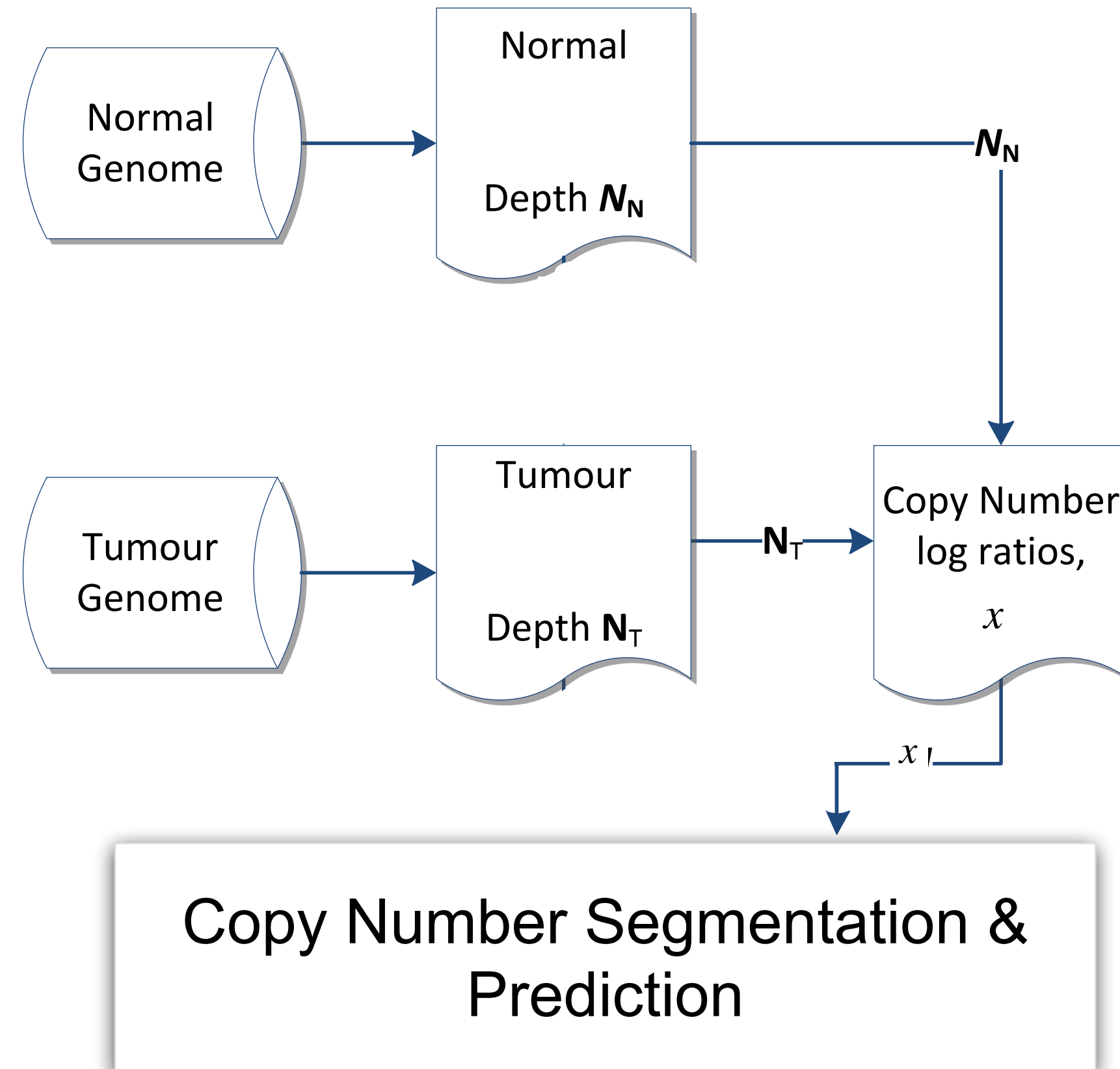


# Tumor DNA Copy Number Analysis Strategy

1. Using sequencing read coverage as a measure for DNA copy number
2. Identifying segments of coverage changes
3. Predicting the number of copies for each segment



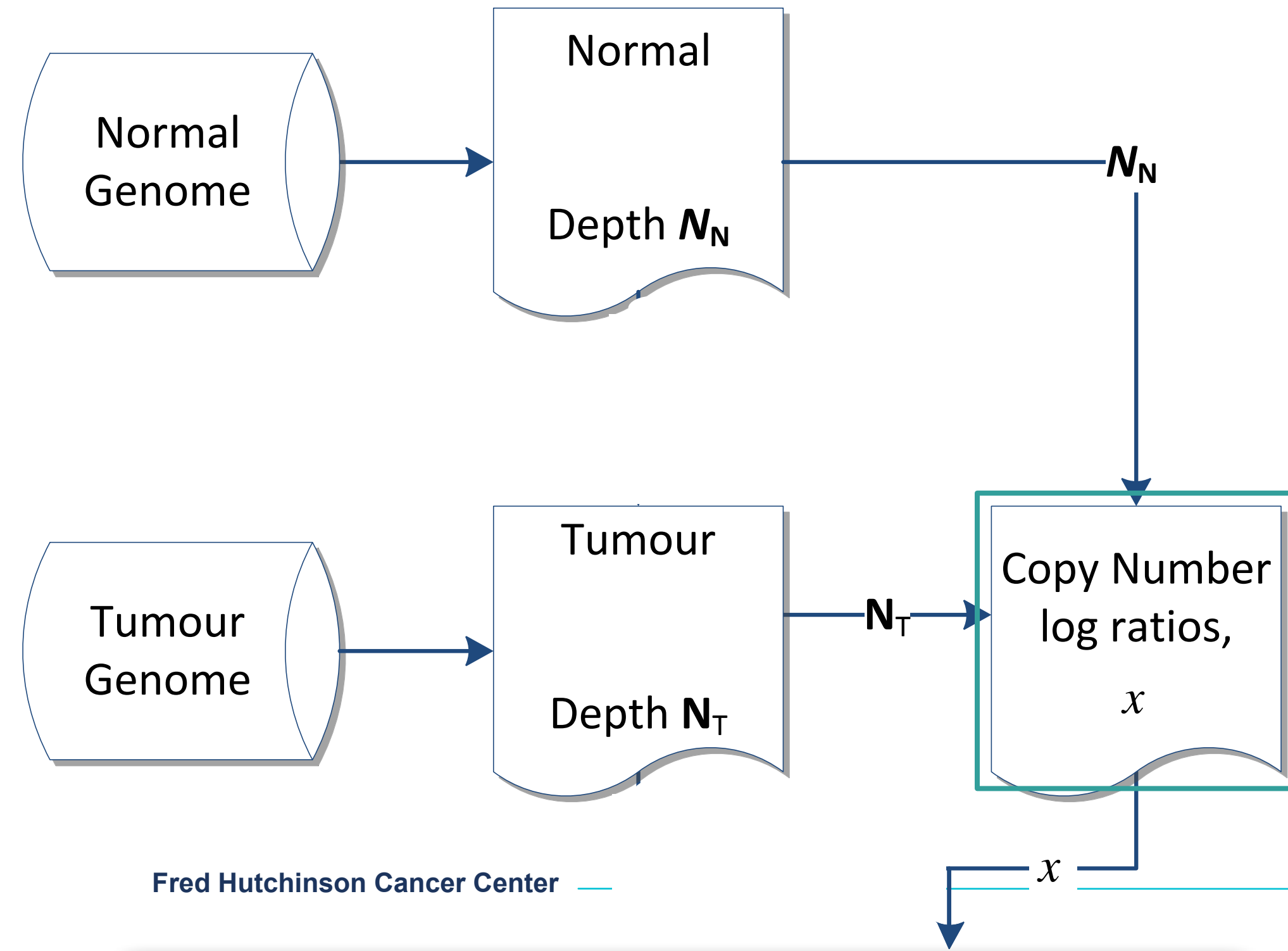
# Cancer Genome Copy Number Analysis Workflow



# Copy Number Analysis Workflow: Normalization



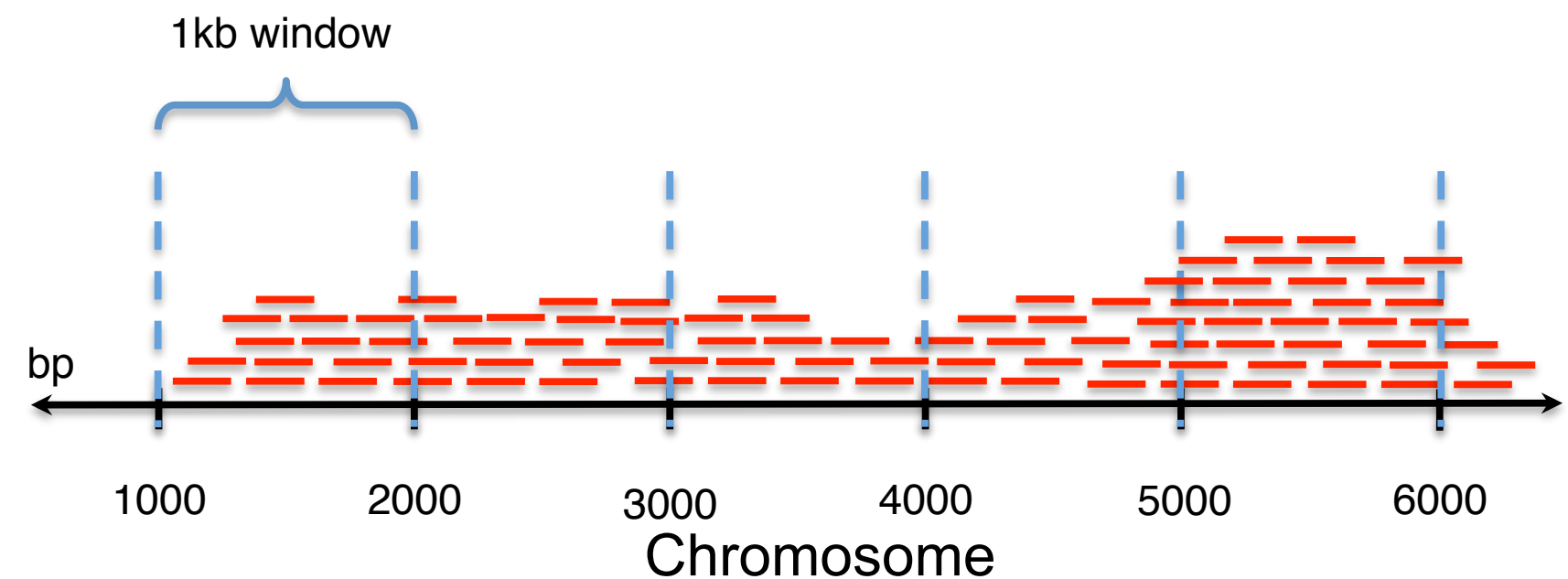
## 1. Correct GC/mappability biases for tumor read depth



$$N^{normal} = \text{normal read depth}$$

$$N^{tumor} = \text{tumor read depth}$$

$$\frac{N^{tumor}}{N^{normal}} = \text{copyratio}$$





# Copy Number Analysis Workflow: GC content bias

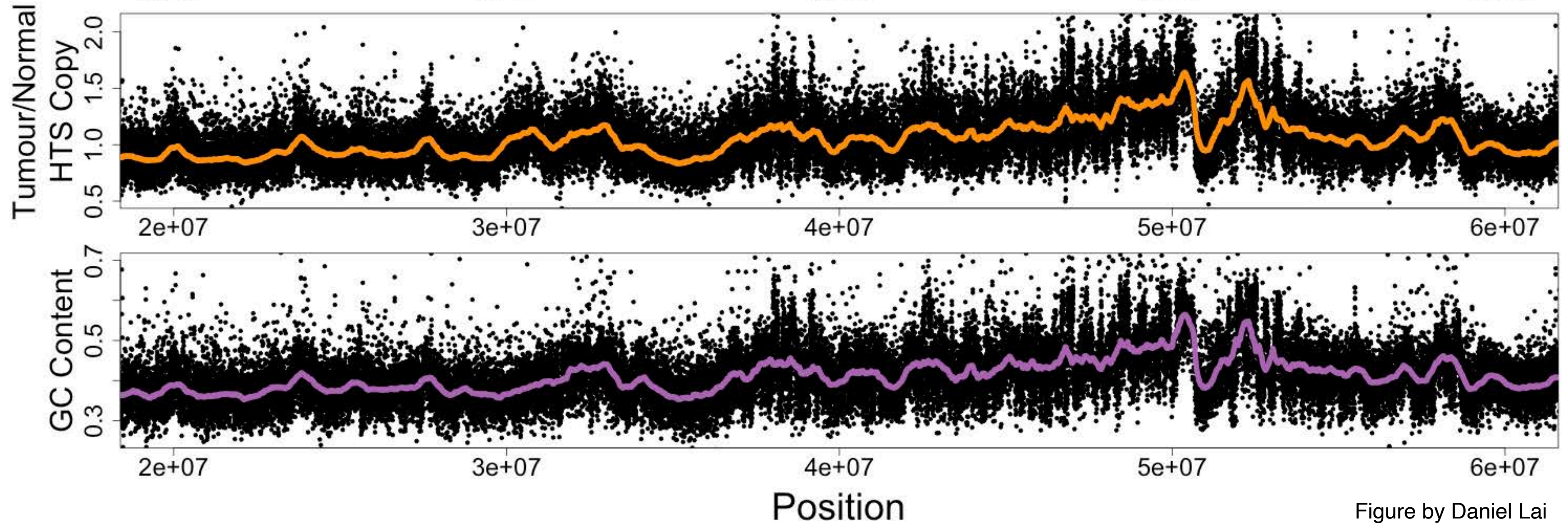


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# Copy Number Analysis Workflow: GC correction (1)

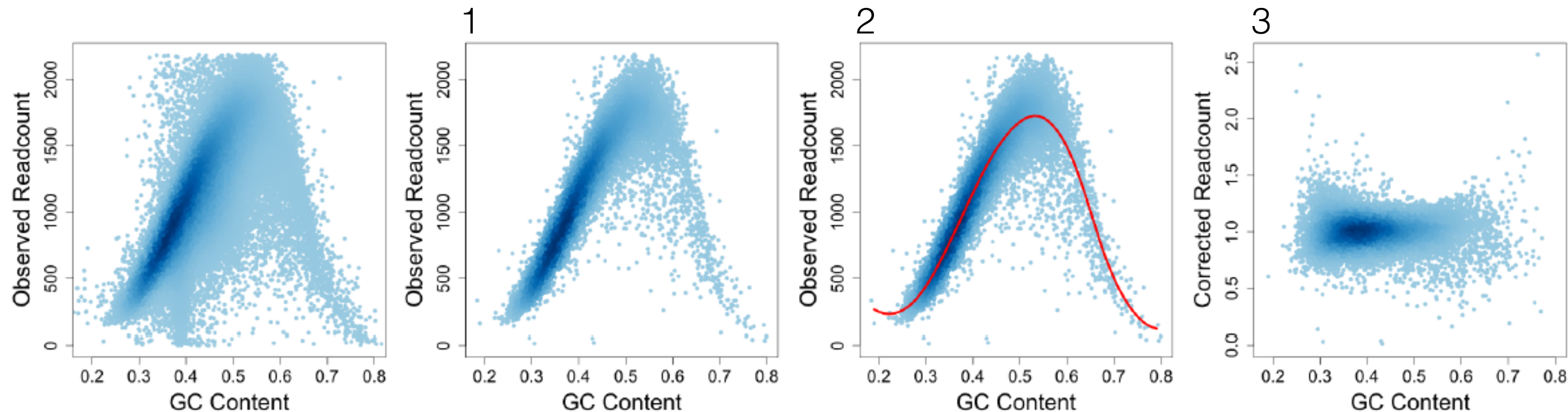
1. Randomly select 50k bins and filter outliers (bottom & top 1%)

2. Fit `loess()` curve

- local nonlinear regression
- smoothing parameter (bandwidth): amount of local data to fit

3.  $corrected\ read\ count = \frac{observed\ read\ count\ (blue\ dot)}{expected\ read\ count\ (red\ line)}$

- relative differences between observed and predicted read counts



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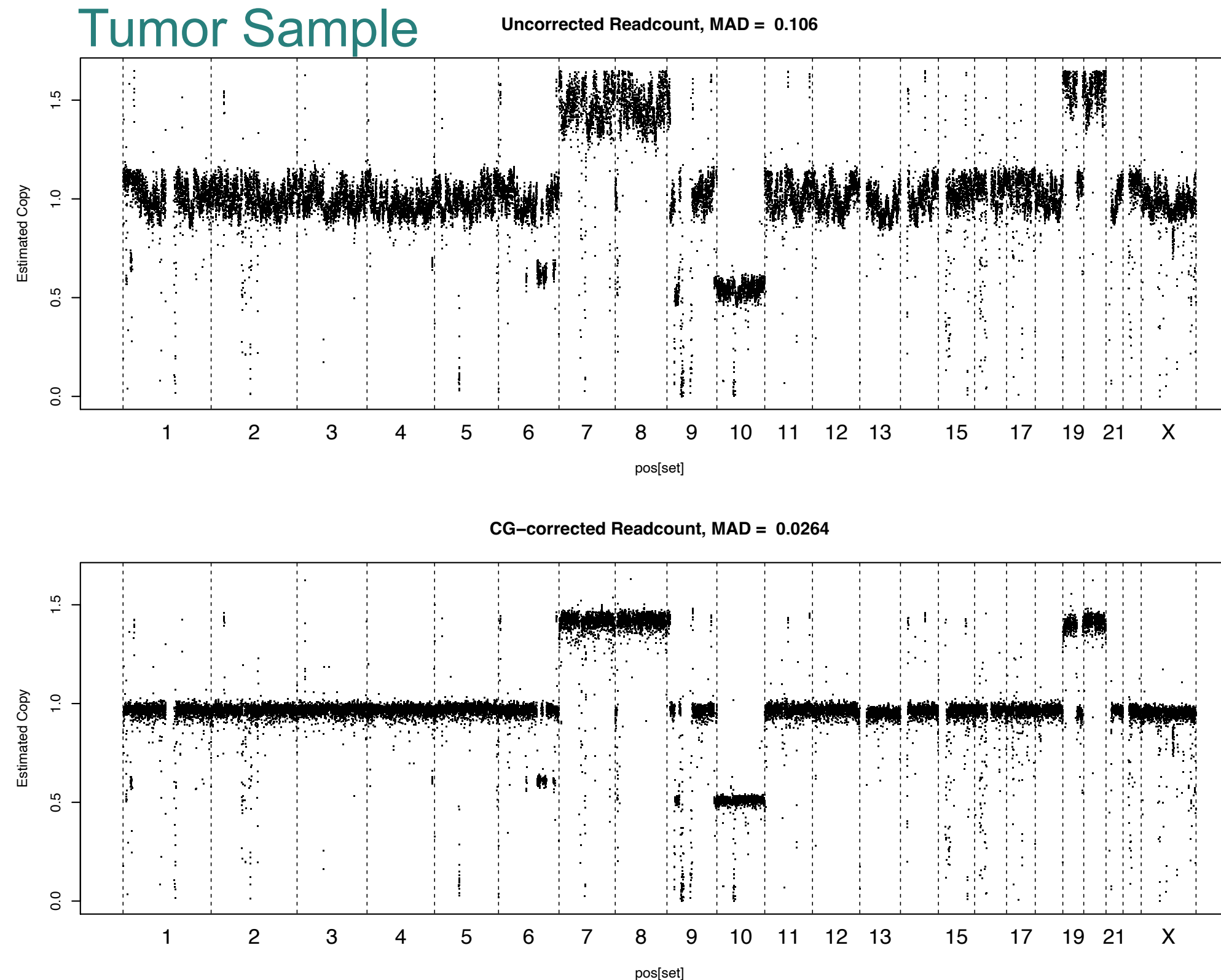
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# Copy Number Analysis Workflow: GC correction (2)



Un-corrected  
read counts



GC-corrected  
read counts

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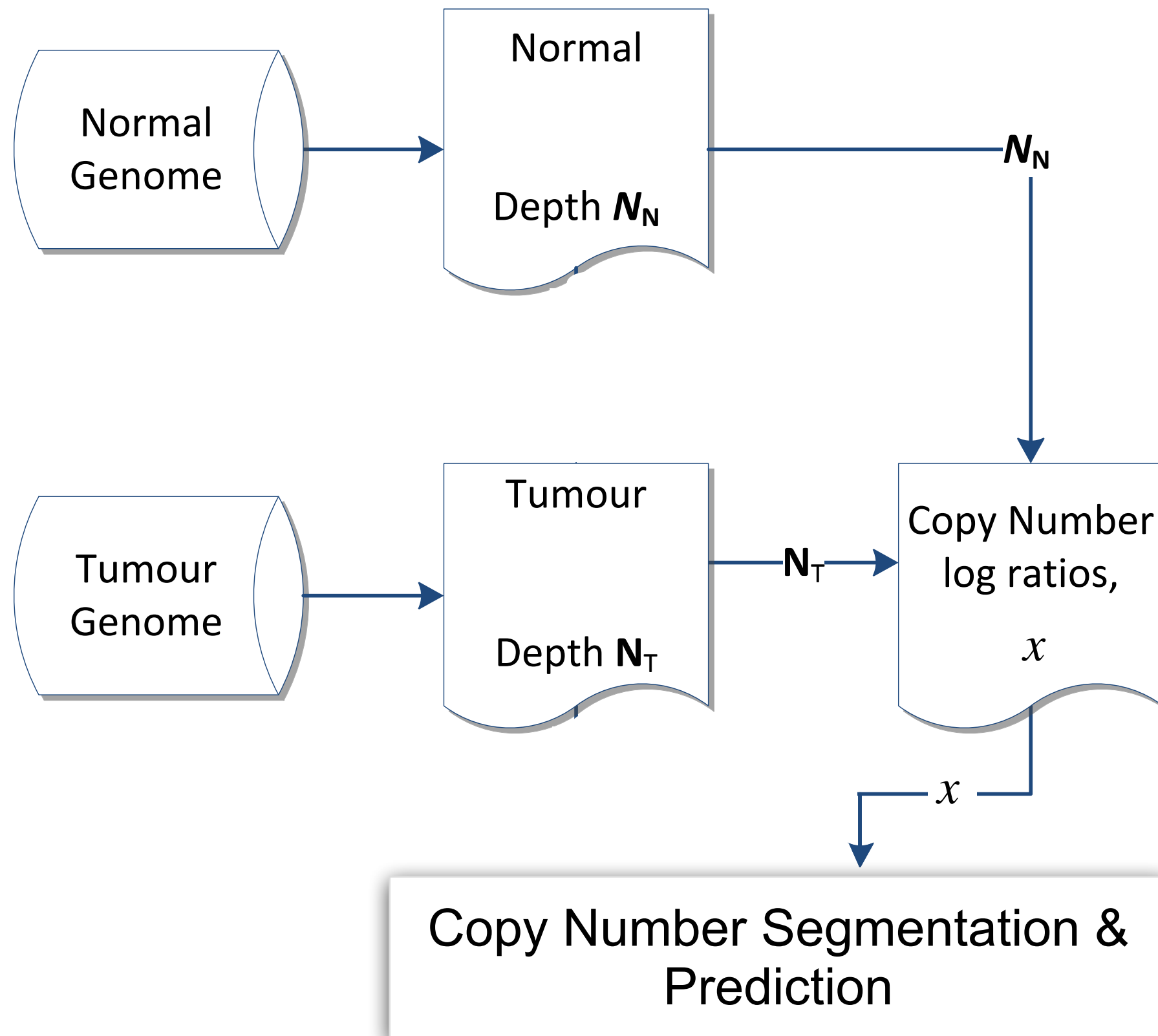
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# Copy Number Analysis Workflow: Normalization



## 1. Correct GC/mappability biases for tumor read depth

$N^{normal}$  = normal read depth

$N^{tumor}$  = tumor read depth

$\hat{N}^{normal}$  = corrected normal read depth

$\hat{N}^{tumor}$  = corrected tumor read depth

$$\log_2 \left( \frac{\hat{N}^{tumor}}{\hat{N}^{normal}} \right) = \text{corrected log ratio}$$

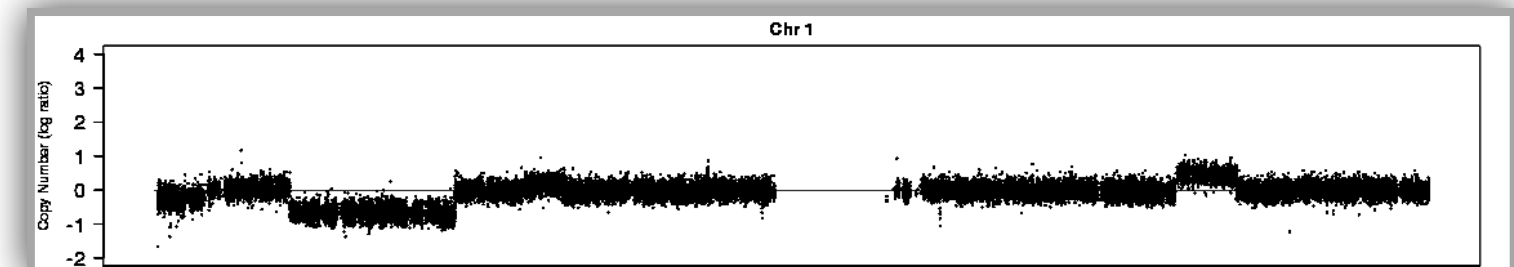
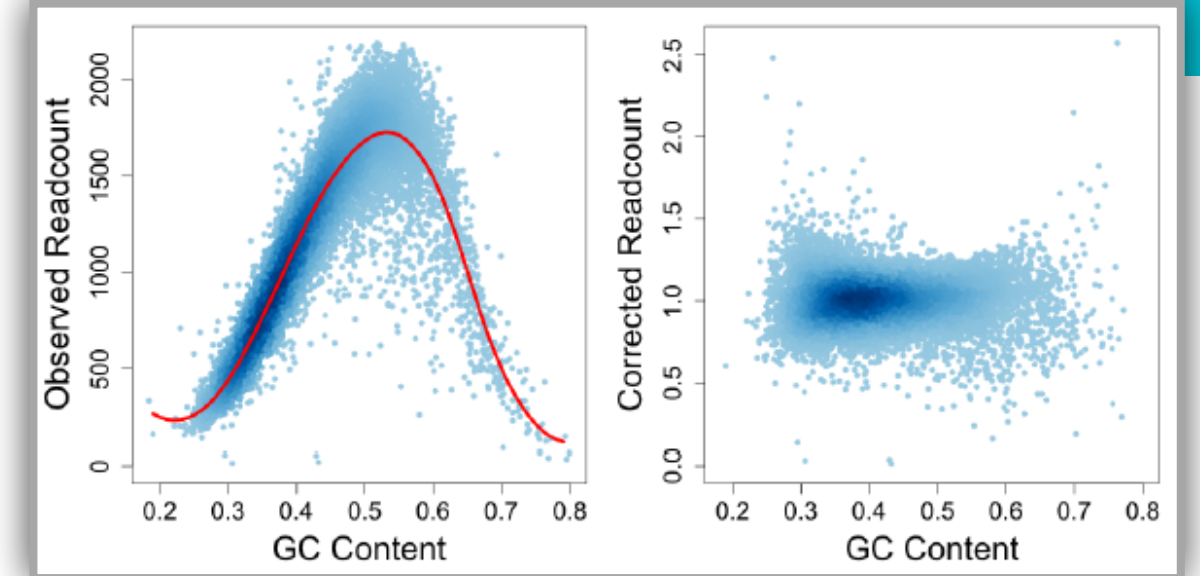
## 2. Perform segmentation and copy number prediction

# Input Sequencing Data for Copy Number Analysis

## Input Data After Normalization

- GC-content bias correction applied to separately for
  - tumor sample reads  $N_{1:T}^{Tumor}$
  - normal sample reads  $N_{1:T}^{Normal}$
- Normalize tumor corrected read counts  $\hat{N}_i^{Tumor}$  with normal corrected read counts  $\hat{N}_i^{Normal}$  to obtain the log ratio for bin  $t \in \{1, \dots, T\}$

$$x_t = \log_2 \left( \frac{\hat{N}_t^{Tumor}}{\hat{N}_t^{Normal}} \right)$$



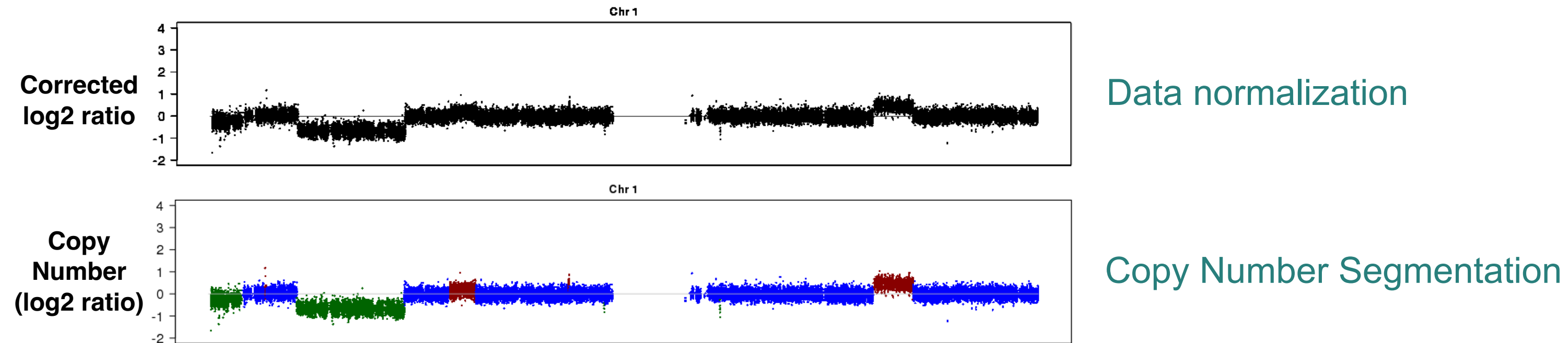
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# Copy Number Segmentation and Prediction

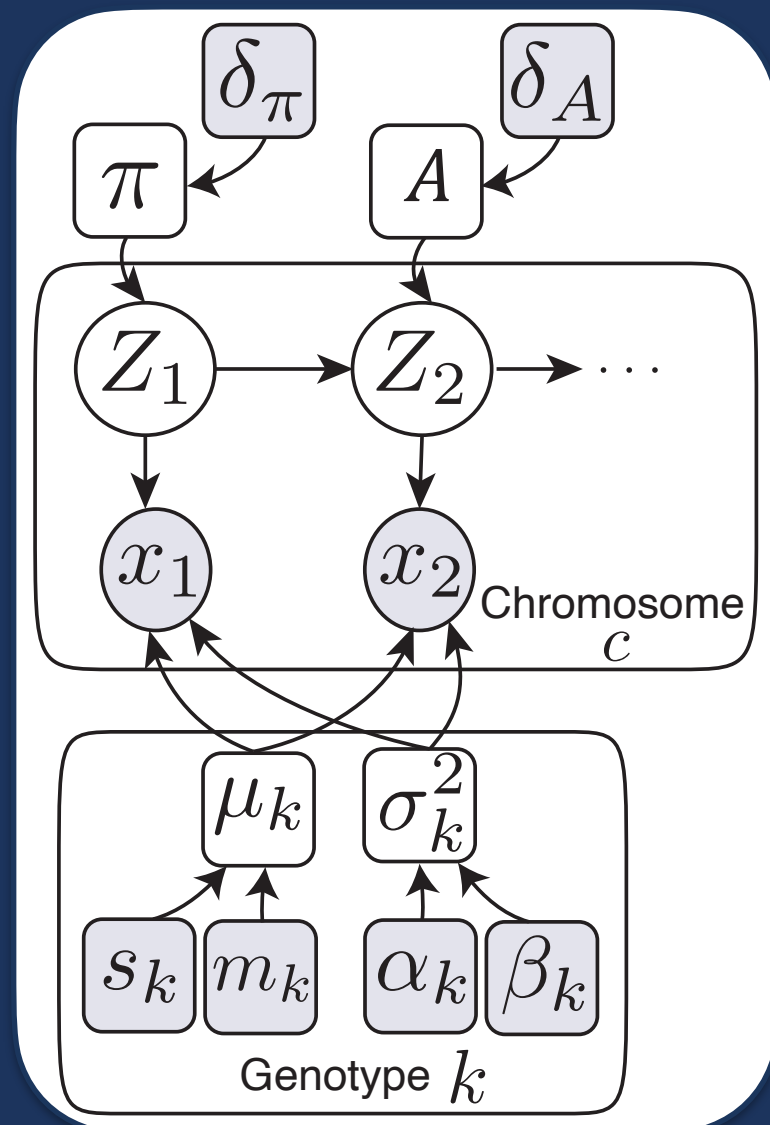


- What are the genomic segments of copy number alterations?
- What is the copy number value for each segment?
- How do we account for variability/noise in the data?

**Continuous hidden Markov model (HMM)**

# 2. Continuous hidden Markov model

- Hidden Markov Models vs Mixture Models
- Components of a Continuous HMM
- Inference and Parameter Learning using EM
- References:

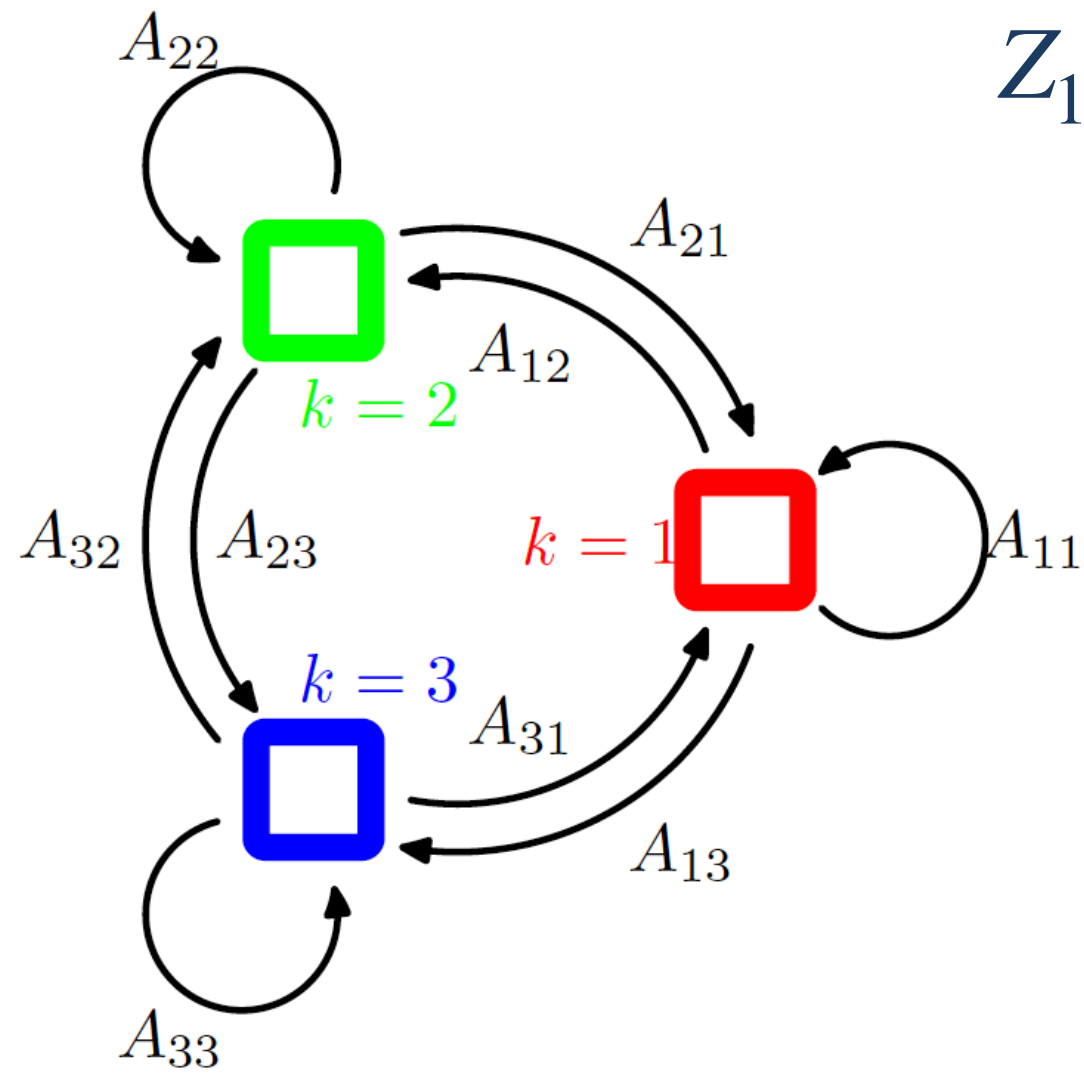


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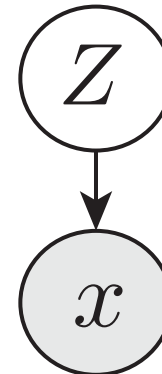
# Probabilistic Graphical Model for HMMs

$x_{1:T}$  observed data

$Z_{1:T}$  latent variables

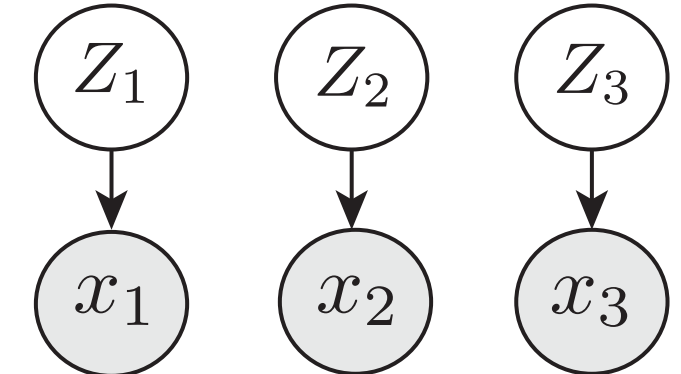


Transition Diagram



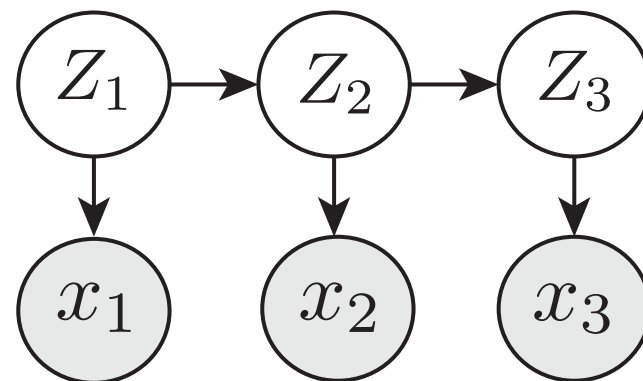
$$p(x, Z) = p(Z)p(x|Z)$$

Mixture Model



$$p(x_{1:3}, Z_{1:3}) = p(Z_{1:3})p(x_{1:3}|Z_{1:3}) \\ = \left[ \prod_{t=1}^3 p(Z_t) \right] \left[ \prod_{t=1}^3 p(x_t|Z_t) \right]$$

Hidden Markov Model



1. Markov Property  $Z_3 \perp\!\!\!\perp Z_1 | Z_2$
2. Conditional independence of observations  $x_3 \perp\!\!\!\perp x_{1:2} | Z_3$

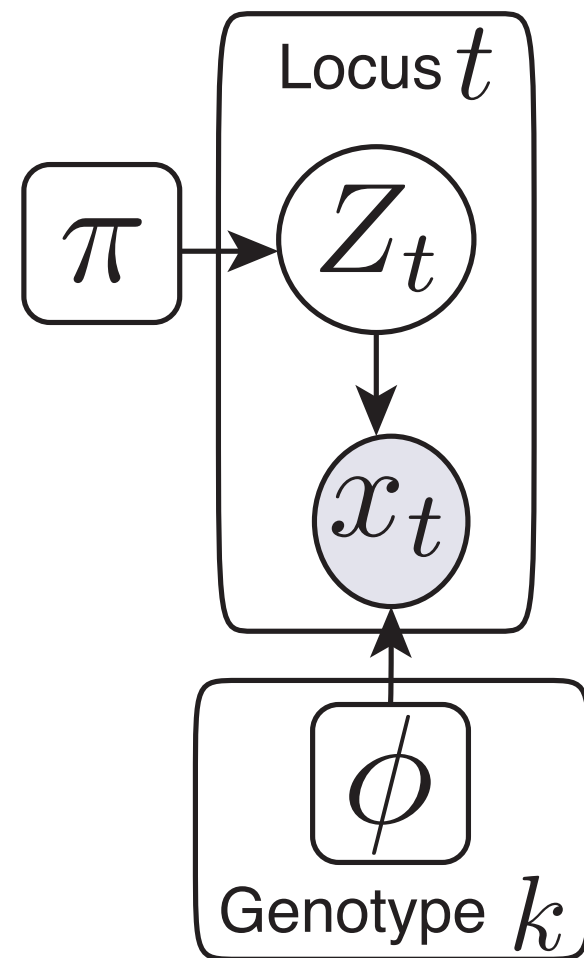


# From Mixture Models to Hidden Markov Models

- Mixture model for iid data is a special case of the HMM

$$p(x_{1:T}, Z_{1:T}) = p(Z_{1:T})p(x_{1:T} | Z_{1:T})$$

## Mixture Model



## Joint Probability Distribution (Data likelihood)

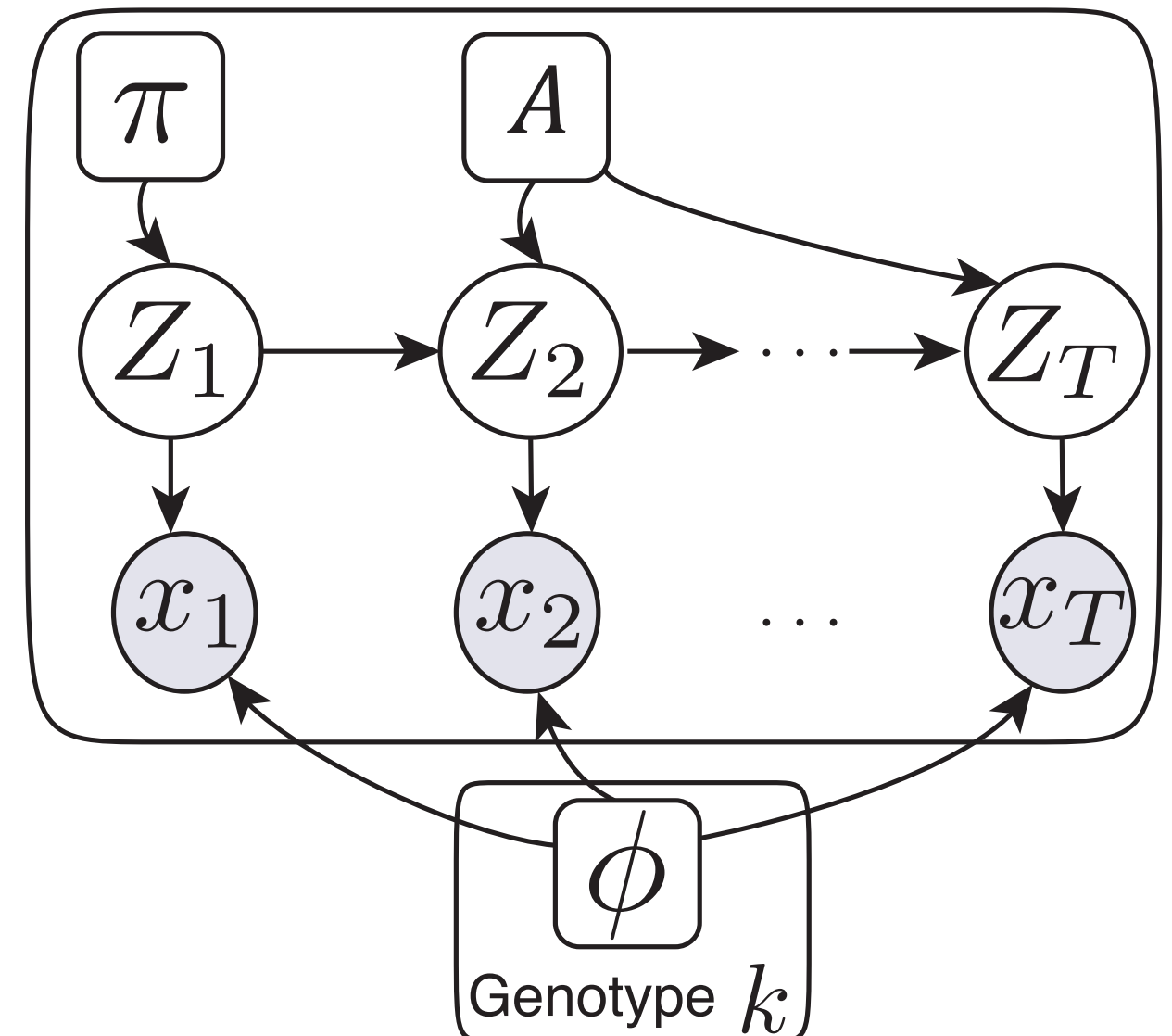
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$Z_{1:T}$  latent variables

$\pi$  mixture weights

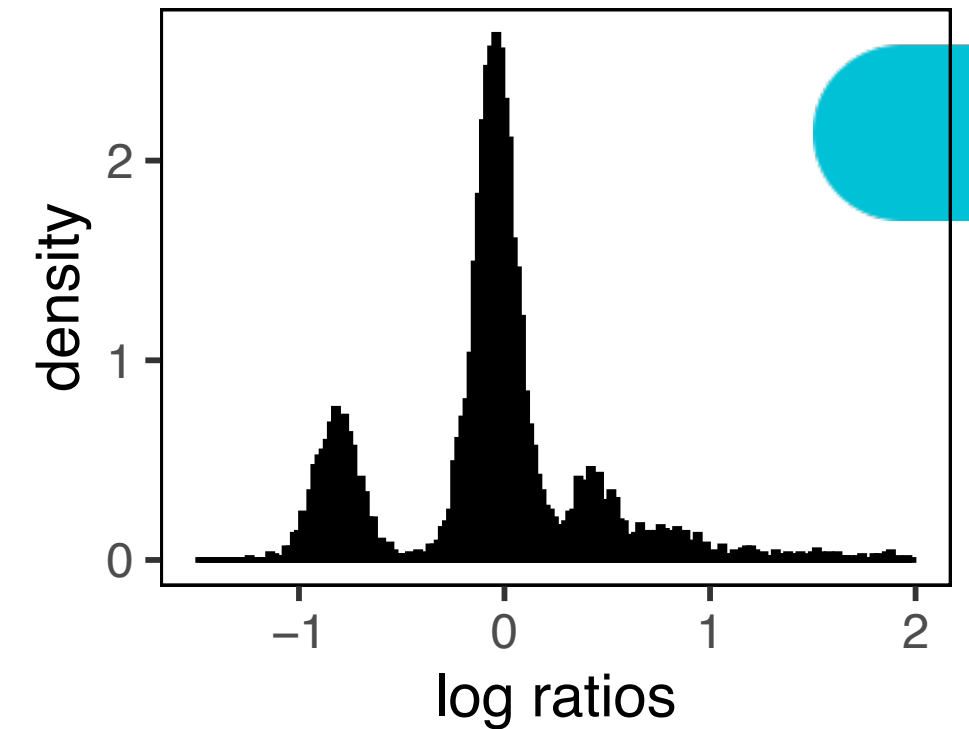
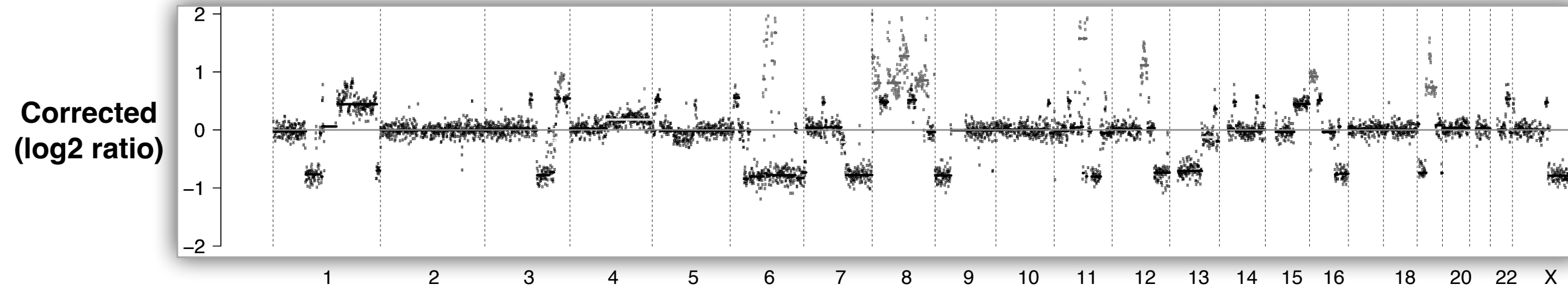
$\phi$  observation parameters

## Hidden Markov Model



$$p(x_{1:T}, Z_{1:T} | \theta) = \left[ \prod_{t=1}^T p(Z_t | \pi) \right] \prod_{t=1}^T p(x_t | Z_t, \phi)$$

# Gaussian Mixture Model for Log Ratio Data



The ratios  $\frac{\hat{r}_t^{Tumor}}{\hat{r}_t^{Normal}}$ , for all  $t$  loci are log-normal distributed, so the log ratios  $x_{1:T}$  follow a normal distribution.

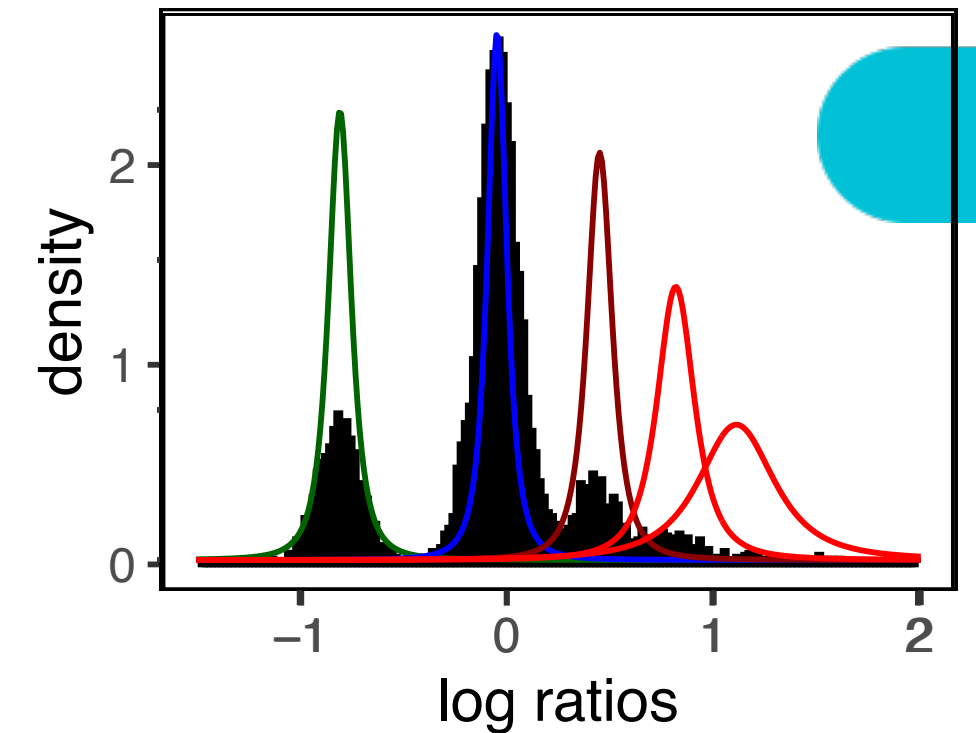
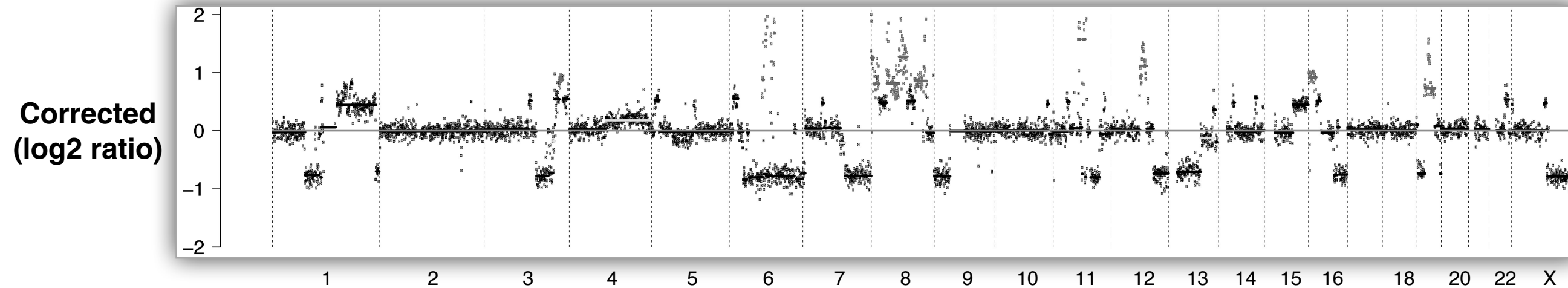
## The Gaussian Distribution

Let  $X$  be a continuous measurement with mean  $\mu$  and variance  $\sigma^2$ , then  $X$  has a Gaussian distribution,

$X \sim \mathcal{N}(\mu, \sigma^2)$  or  $p(X = x) = \mathcal{N}(x | \mu, \sigma^2)$  where

$$\mathcal{N}(x | \mu, \sigma^2) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma^2}} e^{-\frac{1}{2\sigma^2}(x-\mu)^2}$$

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## The Gaussian Distribution

Define a likelihood for a ***K-component mixture of Gaussians*** with means  $\boldsymbol{\mu} = \{\mu_1, \dots, \mu_K\}$  and variance  $\boldsymbol{\sigma}^2 = \{\sigma_1^2, \dots, \sigma_K^2\}$ , where the observation model is a conditional Gaussian

$$p(x_t | Z_t = k, \boldsymbol{\mu}, \boldsymbol{\sigma}^2) = \mathcal{N}(x_t | \mu_k, \sigma_k^2)$$

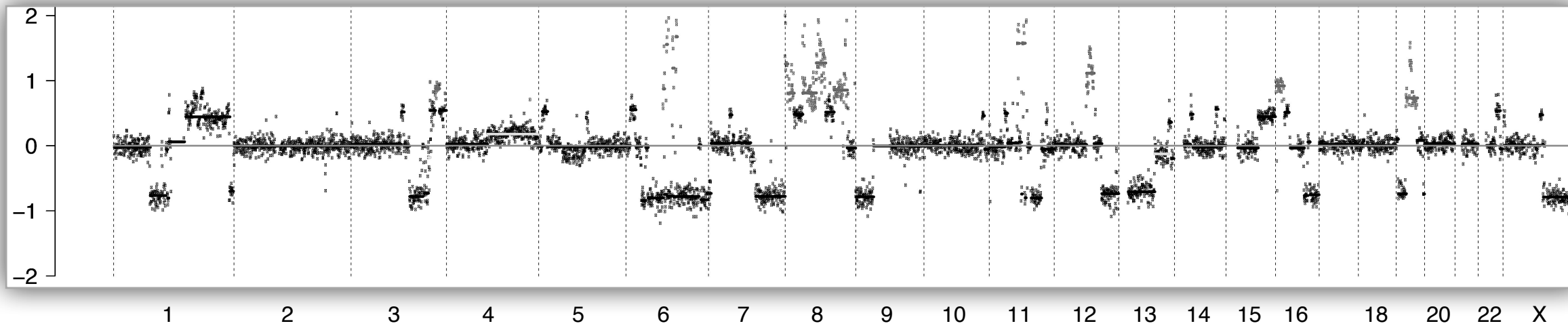
# Rationale for Estimating Likelihood Parameters

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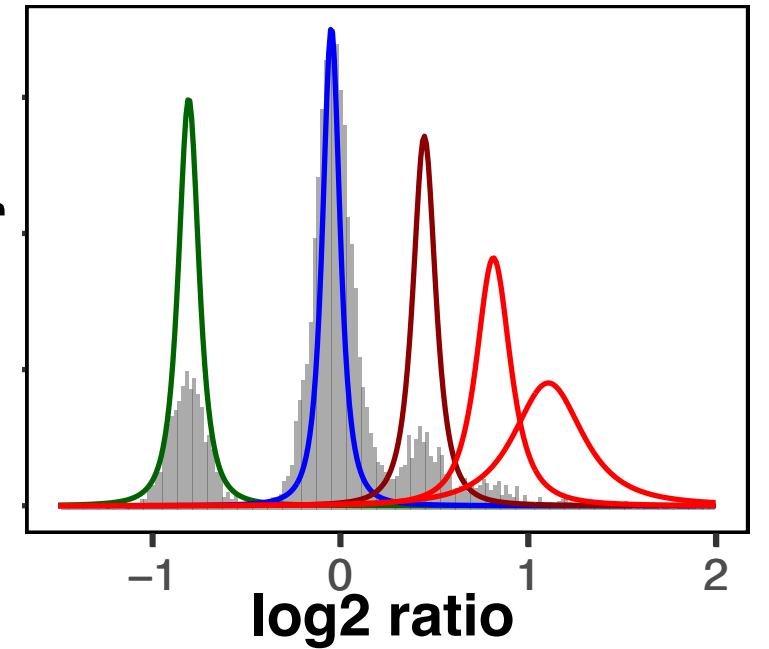
Why should we estimate the mixture distribution parameters?

Patient 288 - Time 1

Copy Number (log2 ratio)

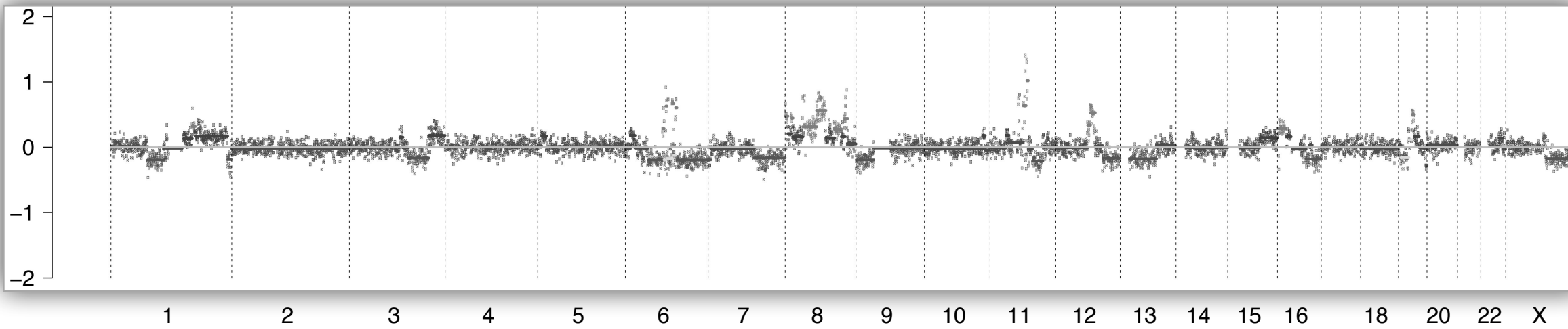


Density

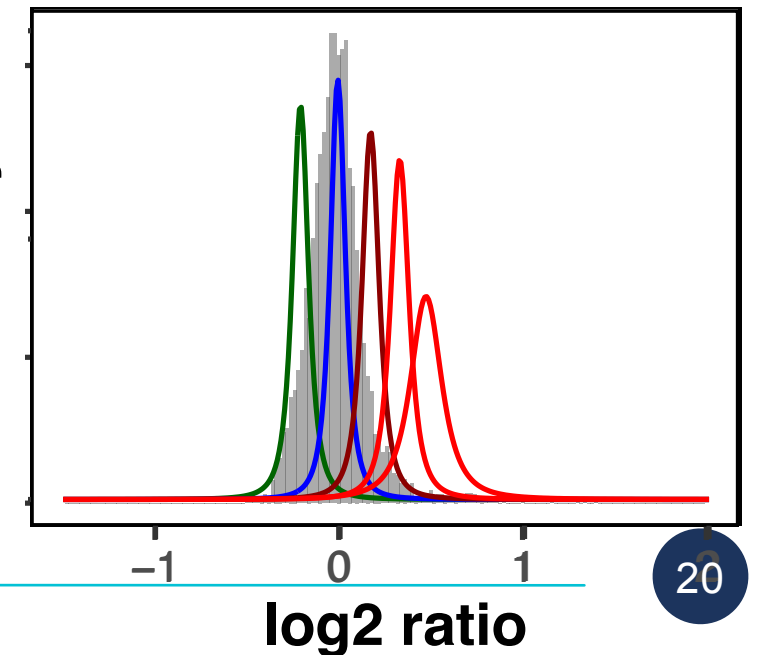


Patient 288 - Time 2

Copy Number (log2 ratio)



Density



# Components of a continuous HMM

## Input Data: log ratios

There are  $T$  different data points with continuous values  $\mathbf{x} = \{x_1, \dots, x_T\}$ .

## Latent State Model

- The latent variables  $\mathbf{Z} = \{Z_1, \dots, Z_T\}$  can be assigned values from a set of  $K$  discrete states with probability

## Initial state distribution

- The probabilities of the states for the first latent variable  $Z_1$  is the parameter  $\boldsymbol{\pi} = \{\pi_1, \dots, \pi_K\}$
- $\boldsymbol{\pi}$  follows a prior distribution  $p(\pi_k | \delta_k) = \text{Dir}(\pi_k | \delta_k)$

## Transition Model (homogenous HMM)

- The conditional distribution between adjacent data  $i$  and  $j$  corresponds to a table  $\mathbf{A}$  of transition probabilities

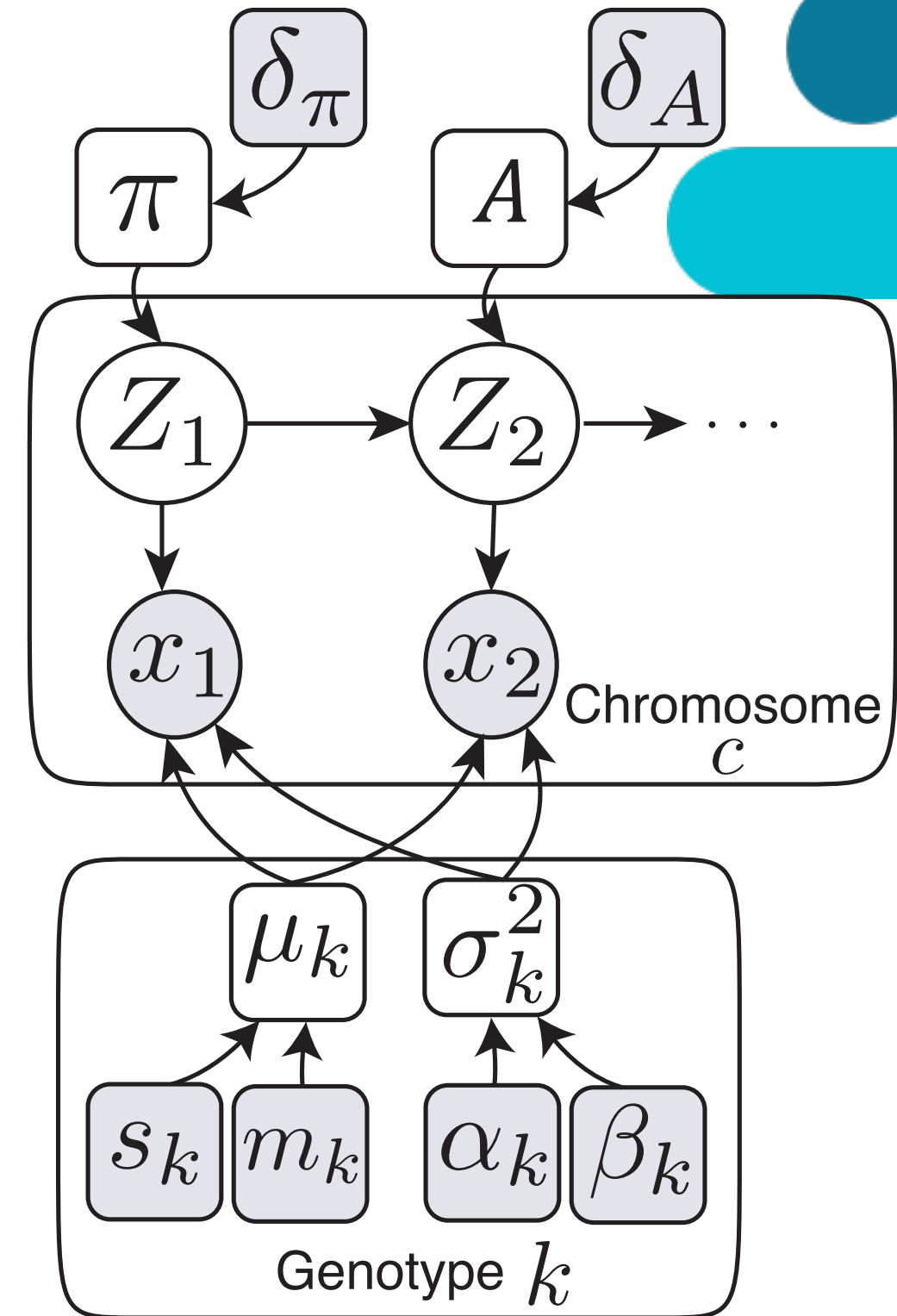
$$p(Z_t = j | Z_{t-1} = i) = A_{ij}$$

## Emission Model (Continuous HMM)

- The emission is modeled using a mixture of Gaussians with the likelihood model

$$p(x_t | Z_t = k, \boldsymbol{\mu}, \boldsymbol{\sigma}^2) = \mathcal{N}(x_t | \mu_k, \sigma_k^2)$$

- $\boldsymbol{\mu}$  is modeled with a prior  $p(\mu_k | m_k, s_k) = \mathcal{N}(\mu_k | m_k, s_k)$
- $\boldsymbol{\sigma}^2$  is modeled with prior  $p(\sigma_k^2 | \alpha_k, \beta_k) = \text{InvGamma}(\sigma_k^2 | \alpha_k, \beta_k)$



# Inference & parameter estimation using EM

Expectation-Maximization: Inference and parameter training

Initialize parameters:

**E-Step: Inference using Forwards-Backwards Algorithm (Baum-Welch)**

1. Compute “responsibilities” (Posterior of the latent states  $\gamma(Z_{1:T})$ )
  - State  $Z_t = k$  is “responsible for generating observation  $x_t$ ”
2. Compute “2-slice marginals” (Posterior of state transitions  $\xi(Z_{t-1}, Z_t)$ )
  - Expected number of transitions from state  $k$  to  $j$

**M-Step: Update parameters (learning)**

1. Initial state distribution,  $\pi$
2. Transition probabilities,  $A$
3. Emission likelihood parameters,  $\mu$

**Iterate** between E-Step and M-Step, check when log posterior likelihood,  $\log \mathbb{P}$ , stops increasing.

# Inference & parameter estimation using EM (E-Step)

## E-Step: Forwards-backwards Algorithm (Baum-Welch; Sum-Product)

- Forward,  $\alpha(\mathbf{Z}_t)$ : joint prob. of observing all *past* data up to time  $t$  when given  $Z_t$
- Backward,  $\beta(\mathbf{Z}_t)$ : conditional prob. of all *future* data from time  $t + 1$  to  $T$  when given  $Z_t$

### Forward Probabilities ( $T \times K$ ) - Past

$$\alpha(Z_t = k) = \mathcal{N}(x_t | \mu_k, \sigma_k^2) \sum_{j=1}^K \left\{ A_{jk} \alpha(Z_{t-1} = j) \right\}$$

### Backward Probabilities ( $T \times K$ ) - Future

$$\beta(Z_t = k) = \sum_{j=1}^K \left\{ \mathcal{N}(x_{t+1} | \mu_j, \sigma_j^2) A_{kj} \beta(Z_{t+1} = j) \right\}$$

# Inference & parameter estimation using EM (E-Step)

## E-Step: Compute Responsibilities & 2-Slice Marginals

- Responsibilities,  $\gamma(Z_t = k)$ : is the posterior on the latent states

$$\gamma(Z_t = k) = \frac{\alpha(Z_t = k)\beta(Z_t = k)}{p(\mathbf{x})}$$

**Responsibilities**  
Matrix  $K \times T$

- 2-Slice Marginals,  $\xi(Z_{t-1} = k, Z_t = j)$ : is the expected number of transitions between  $k$  to  $j$

$$\xi(Z_{t-1} = k, Z_t = j) = \frac{\alpha(Z_{t-1} = k)A_{kj}\mathcal{N}(x_t | \mu_j, \sigma_j^2)\beta(Z_t = j)}{p(\mathbf{x})}$$

**2 Slice Marginals**  
Matrix  $K \times K \times (T - 1)$

- The likelihood  $p(\mathbf{x}) = p(\mathbf{x} | \boldsymbol{\mu}, \boldsymbol{\sigma}^2, \boldsymbol{\pi})$  is computed in the forwards recursion

$$\ell = \log p(\mathbf{x}) = \sum_{t=1}^T \log \left( \sum_{k=1}^K \alpha(Z_t = k) \right)$$

**Log likelihood**



# Inference & parameter estimation using EM (M-Step)

Expected complete data log likelihood

$$Q = \underbrace{\sum_{k=1}^K \gamma(Z_1 = k) \log \pi_k}_{\text{Initial State Dist}} + \underbrace{\sum_{t=2}^T \sum_{j=1}^K \sum_{k=1}^K \xi(Z_{t-1} = k, Z_t = j) \log A_{kj}}_{\text{Transition}} + \underbrace{\sum_{t=1}^T \sum_{k=1}^K \gamma(Z_t = k) \log \mathcal{N}(x_t | \mu_k, \sigma_k^2)}_{\text{Emission}} + \text{priors}_{\text{Priors}}$$

**M-Step: update parameters,  $\pi$ ,  $\mu$ ,  $\sigma^2$**

$$\hat{\pi}_k = \frac{\gamma(Z_1 = k) + \delta^\pi(k) - 1}{\sum_{j=1}^K \{\gamma(Z_1 = j) + \delta^\pi(j) - 1\}}$$

**MAP for initial state distribution**

$$\hat{\mu}_k = \frac{s_k \sum_{t=1}^T \gamma(Z_t = k) x_t + m \sigma_k^2}{s_k \sum_{t=1}^T \gamma(Z_t = k) + \sigma_k^2}$$

**MAP for Gaussian means**

$$\hat{\sigma}_k^2 = \frac{\sum_{t=1}^T \gamma(Z_t = k) (x_t - \bar{x}_k)^2 + 2\beta_k}{\sum_{t=1}^T \gamma(Z_t = k) + 2(\alpha_k + 1)}$$

**MAP for Gaussian variance terms**

Where  $\bar{x} = \frac{\sum_{t=1}^T \gamma(Z_t = k) x_t}{\sum_{t=1}^T \gamma(Z_t = k)}$

# Inference & parameter estimation using EM (M-Step)

## M-Step: Update transition matrix, $A$

Expected number of transitions from  $k$  to  $j$       Prior counts

$$\hat{A}_{kj} = \frac{\sum_{t=2}^T \xi(Z_{t-1} = k, Z_t = j) + \delta_j^A(k)}{\sum_{l=1}^K \left\{ \sum_{t=2}^T \xi(Z_{t-1} = k, Z_t = l) + \delta_j^A(l) \right\}}$$

“Pseudo-counts”

Expected number of transitions from  $k$  to any other state

## Evaluate the log posterior

$$\log \mathbb{P} = \ell + \log \text{Dir}(\hat{\pi} | \delta) + \sum_{k=1}^K \left\{ \log \mathcal{N}(\hat{\mu}_k | m_k, s_k) + \log \text{InvGamma}(\hat{\sigma}_k^2 | \alpha_k, \beta_k) + \log \text{Dir}(A_{k,1:K}^{(0)} | \hat{A}_{k,1:K}) \right\}$$

Log likelihood

Log priors

**Iterate between E-Step and M-Step:** stop when  $\log \mathbb{P}$  changes less than  $\epsilon$  compared to previous EM iteration.

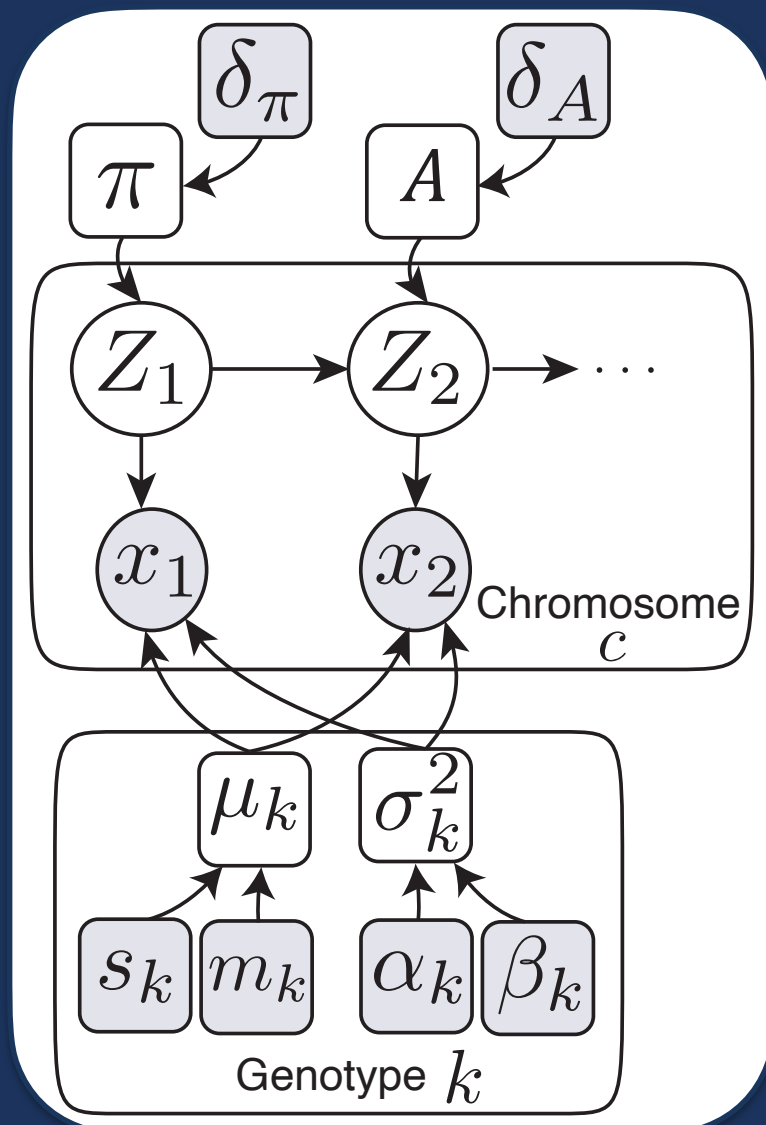
## Algorithm 1 HMM Parameter Learning using EM

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1: Inputs:  
   Data:  $x_{1:T}$   
   Initial parameters:  $\pi^{(0)}, \mu_{1:K}^{(0)}, (\sigma_{1:K}^2)^{(0)}, A^{(0)}$   
   Hyperparameters:  $\delta^\pi, m_{1:K}, s_{1:K}, \alpha_{1:K}, \beta_{1:K}, \delta^A$   
2: Initialize:  
    $\pi \leftarrow \pi^{(0)}, \mu_{1:K} \leftarrow \mu_{1:K}^{(0)}, \sigma_{1:K}^2 \leftarrow (\sigma_{1:K}^2)^{(0)}, A \leftarrow A^{(0)}$   
3: Compute observed likelihood using initial parameters:  
4:   obs.lik  $\leftarrow$  compute.gauss.lik()  
5: while converged = false do  
6:   E-Step: Compute responsibilities using current parameters:  
7:      $(\gamma(Z_{1:T}), \text{loglik}) \leftarrow \text{.Call}(\text{"forward\_backward"})$   
8:   M-Step: Update parameters:  
9:      $\hat{\pi} \leftarrow \text{update.pi}()$   
10:     $\hat{\mu}_{1:K} \leftarrow \text{update.mu}()$   
11:     $\hat{\sigma}_{1:K}^2 \leftarrow \text{update.var}()$   
12:     $\hat{A} \leftarrow \text{update.A}()$   
13:   Assign updated parameters:  
14:      $\pi \leftarrow \hat{\pi}, \mu_{1:K} \leftarrow \hat{\mu}_{1:K}, \sigma_{1:K}^2 \leftarrow \hat{\sigma}_{1:K}^2, A \leftarrow \hat{A}$   
15:   Re-compute observed likelihood using updated parameters:  
16:     obs.lik  $\leftarrow$  compute.gauss.lik()  
17:   Compute log Posterior:  
18:     logP[curr.iter]  $\leftarrow$  compute.log.posterior(loglik,...)  
19:   if ( logP[curr.iter] - logP[prev.iter] <  $\epsilon$  ) then  
20:     converged = true  
21:   end if  
22:   logP[prev.iter]  $\leftarrow$  logP[curr.iter]  
23: end while  
24: return Converged parameters  $\hat{\pi}, \hat{\mu}_{1:K}, \hat{\sigma}_{1:K}^2, \hat{A}$ 
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# 3. Copy Number Profiling using a HMM

- Defining the HMM for copy number analysis
- Copy number segmentation using Viterbi
- References:

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# Probabilistic Model for Copy Number Analysis

## Input Data: log ratios

There are  $T$  different genomic bins with log ratio data  $\mathbf{x} = \{x_1, \dots, x_T\}$ .

## Latent State Model: copy number states

There are 5 different possible copy number states (genotypes),  $K = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5\}$

1. A specific genotype  $k \in K$  can be assigned to the each of the **latent states**  $\mathbf{Z} = \{Z_1, \dots, Z_T\}$
2. The **initial state distribution**  $\boldsymbol{\pi} = \{\pi_1, \dots, \pi_5\}$  is used for the first latent state  $Z_1$

## Transition Model

3. The probabilities for transitioning to copy number state  $j$  in bin  $t$  from state  $i$  in bin  $t - 1$  are contained in matrix  $\mathbf{A} \in \mathbb{R}^{K \times K}$

$$p(Z_t = j | Z_{t-1} = i) = A_{ij}$$

## Emission Model: likelihood for log ratio data

For each copy number state, the log ratio means are  $\boldsymbol{\mu} = \{\mu_1, \dots, \mu_5\}$  and variance  $\boldsymbol{\sigma}^2 = \{\sigma_1^2, \dots, \sigma_5^2\}$

4. The **emission model** is a mixture of Gaussians with *unknown* parameters,  $\boldsymbol{\mu}$  and  $\boldsymbol{\sigma}^2$ ,

$$p(x_t | Z_t = k, \boldsymbol{\mu}, \boldsymbol{\sigma}^2) = \mathcal{N}(x_t | \mu_k, \sigma_k^2)$$

## Prior Model

5. The **priors** in the model have hyper-parameters  $\boldsymbol{\delta}^\pi, m_{1:K}, s_{1:K}, \alpha_{1:K}, \beta_{1:K}, \boldsymbol{\delta}_{1:K}^A$

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		$j$		
	<b>A</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>...</b>	<b>5</b>
$i$	<b>0</b>			
	<b>...</b>			
	<b>5</b>			

$\sum_{j=1}^K A_{ij} = 1$

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	<b>A</b>	0	...	5
$i$	0			
	...			
	5			

$\sum_{j=1}^K A_{ij} = 1$

# Copy number segmentation using Viterbi

## Viterbi algorithm (Max-Sum)

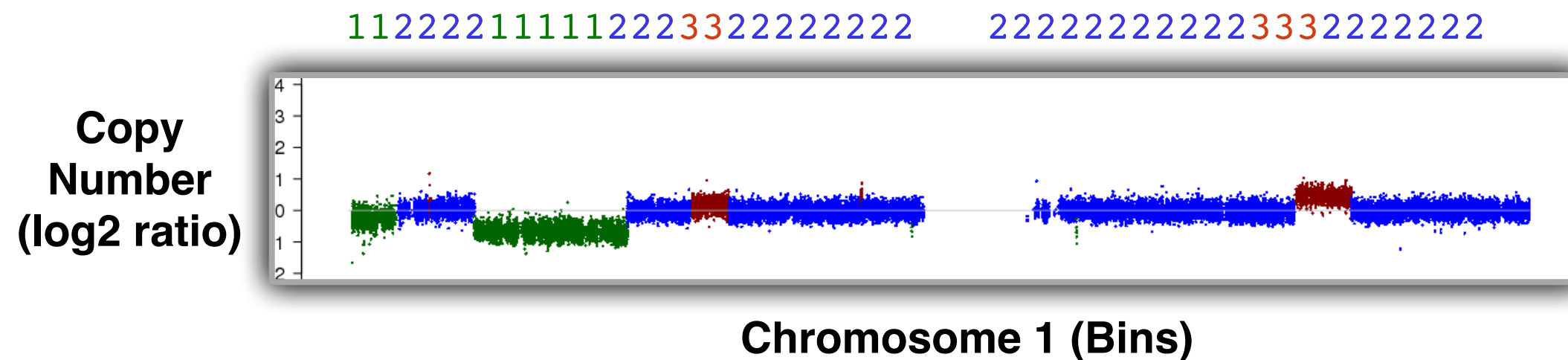
- Find the most probable sequence of copy number states

$$\hat{Z}_{1:T} = \max_{Z_{1:T}} \log p(Z_{1:T} | x_{1:T})$$

- Perform max-sum of probabilities in trellis

$$\omega(Z_{t+1} = k) = \log \mathcal{N}(x_{t+1} | \mu_k, \sigma_k^2) + \max_{Z_t} \left\{ \log A_{Z_t, k} + \log \omega(Z_t) \right\}$$

- Back trace from  $\omega(Z_T)$  to find overall most probable path



# Rationale for Estimating Likelihood Parameters

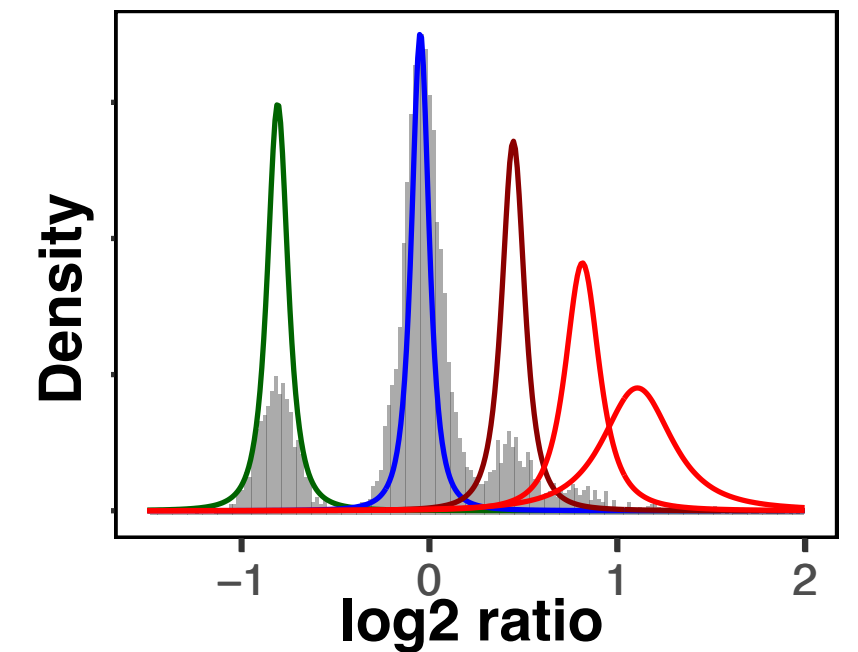
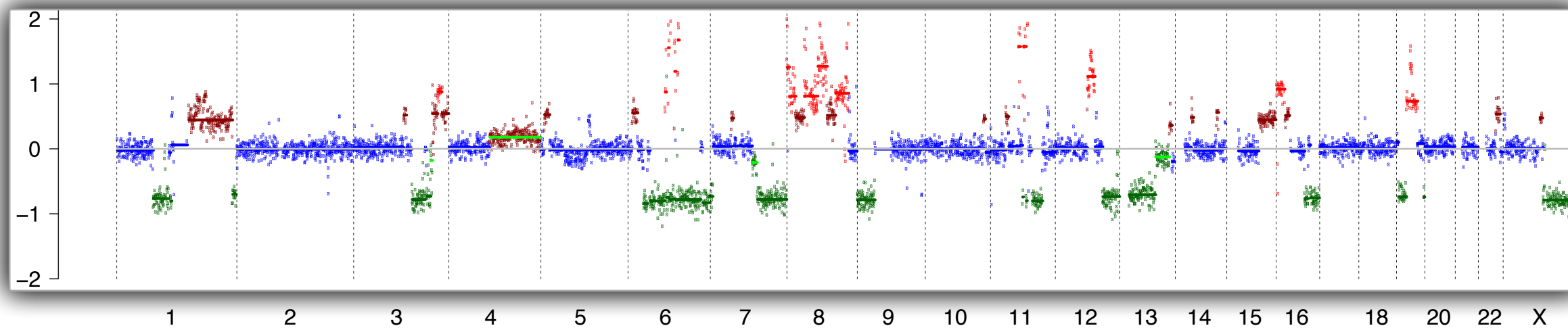
Why should we estimate the mixture distribution parameters?

- Can account for technical and biological “noise” by estimating model parameters

$$\mu = \{\mu_0, \dots, \mu_5\} \text{ and } \sigma^2 = \{\sigma_0^2, \dots, \sigma_5^2\}?$$

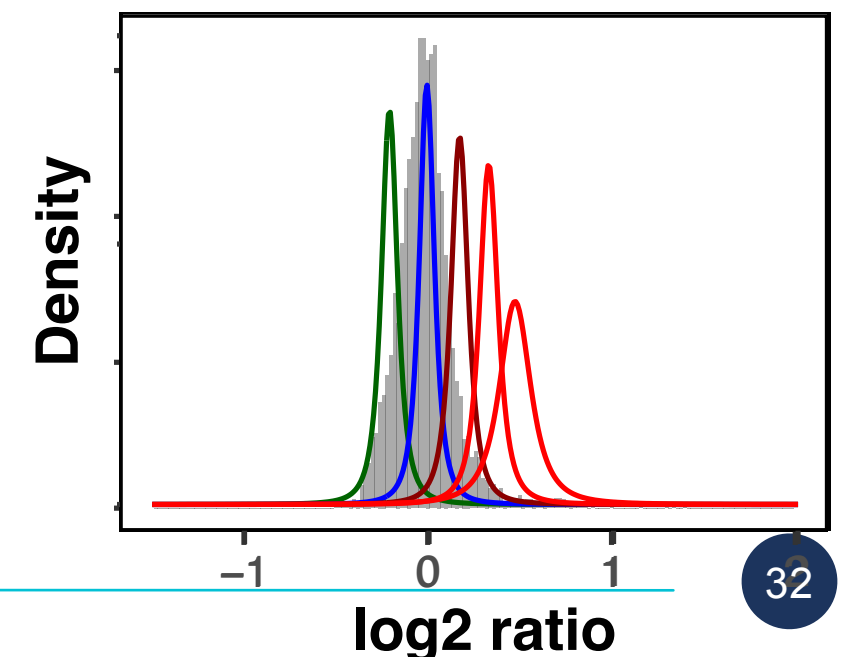
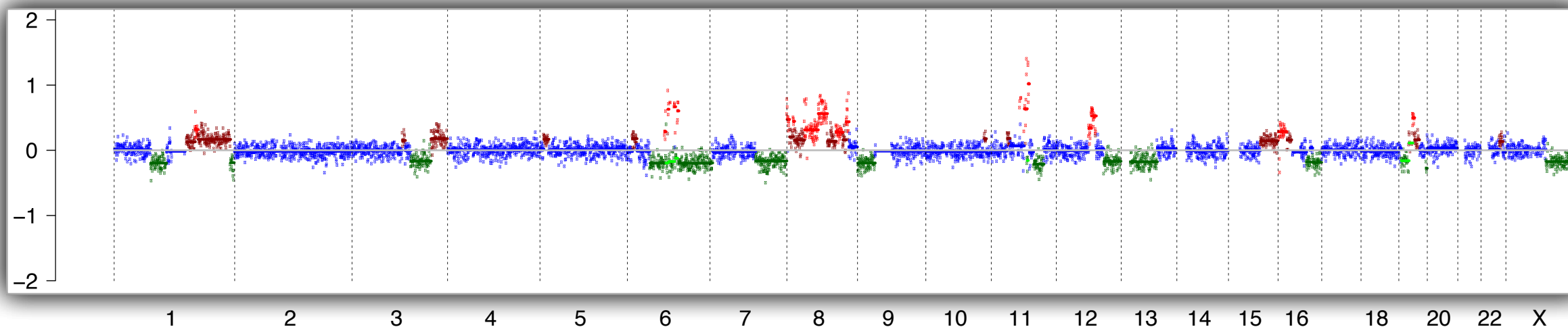
Patient 288 - Time 1

Copy Number (log2 ratio)



Patient 288 - Time 2

Copy Number (log2 ratio)





# Homework #8: Profiling copy number alterations

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A. Implement a copy number alteration (CNA) caller described in Lecture 3

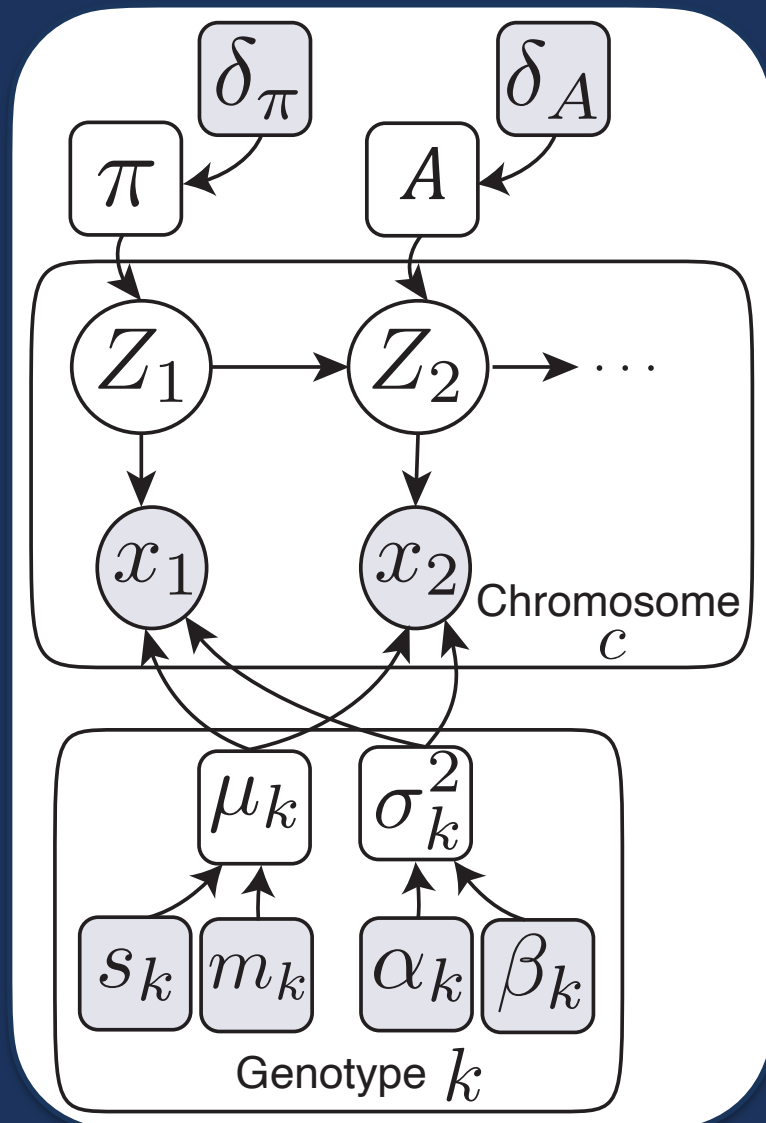
- Implement components of a continuous HMM in a Bayesian framework
- Learn the parameters and infer the genotypes using EM
- Predict the copy number alteration segments for a chromosome.
- Expected outputs for each question will be provided so that you can check your code.

B. Power calculations for mutation detection described in Lecture 4

**Due: May 26th, 2023**

# Extra Slides

- Continuous hidden Markov models (HMMs)
- Parameter inference using EM and copy number segmentation
- References:



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# ichorCNA: Model inference using EM (extra slide 1)

Complete data likelihood: joint distribution of latent and observed variables

$$\begin{aligned} p(x_{1:T}, Z_{1:T} | \theta) &= p(Z_1 | \pi_{1:K}) \left[ \prod_{t=2}^T p(Z_t | Z_{t-1}, A) \right] \prod_{t=1}^T p(x_t | Z_t, \mu, \sigma^2) \\ &= \prod_{k=1}^K \pi_k^{\mathbb{1}(Z_1=k)} \left[ \prod_{t=2}^T \prod_{k=1}^K \prod_{j=1}^K A_{jk}^{\mathbb{1}(Z_{t-1}=j)\mathbb{1}(Z_t=k)} \right] \prod_{t=1}^T \prod_{k=1}^K \mathcal{N}(x_t | \mu_k, \sigma_k^2)^{\mathbb{1}(Z_t=k)} \end{aligned}$$

where  $\theta = \{ \pi_{1:K}, \mu_{1:K}, \sigma_{1:K}^2, A \}$

Complete data log likelihood

$$\log p(x_{1:T}, Z_{1:T} | \theta) = \sum_{k=1}^K \mathbb{1}(Z_1 = k) \log \pi_k + \sum_{t=2}^T \sum_{j=1}^K \sum_{k=1}^K \mathbb{1}(Z_{t-1} = j, Z_t = k) \log A_{jk} + \sum_{t=1}^T \sum_{k=1}^K \mathbb{1}(Z_t = k) \log \mathcal{N}(x_t | \mu_k, \sigma_k^2)$$

Expected complete data log likelihood

$$Q = \sum_{k=1}^K \gamma(Z_1 = k) \log \pi_k + \sum_{t=2}^T \sum_{j=1}^K \sum_{k=1}^K \xi(Z_{t-1} = j, Z_t = k) \log A_{jk} + \sum_{t=1}^T \sum_{k=1}^K \gamma(Z_t = k) \log \mathcal{N}(x_t | \mu_k, \sigma_k^2)$$

# ichorCNA: Model inference using EM (extra slide 2)

E-Step: compute responsibilities using the forwards-backwards algorithm (Baum-Welch)

$$\gamma(\mathbf{Z}_t) = p(\mathbf{Z}_t | \mathbf{x}, \theta^{old}) = \frac{p(\mathbf{x} | \mathbf{Z}_t | \theta^{old}) p(\mathbf{Z}_t | \theta^{old})}{p(\mathbf{x} | \theta^{old})}$$

$$\gamma(\mathbf{Z}_t) = \frac{p(x_1, \dots, x_t, \mathbf{Z}_t) p(x_{t+1}, \dots, x_T | \mathbf{Z}_t)}{p(\mathbf{x})}$$

$$\gamma(\mathbf{Z}_t) = \frac{\alpha(\mathbf{Z}_t) \beta(\mathbf{Z}_t)}{p(\mathbf{x})} \quad \begin{array}{l} \text{Responsibilities} \\ \text{Matrix } K \times T \end{array}$$

Where  $\alpha(\mathbf{Z}_t = k) = \mathcal{N}(x_t | \mathbf{Z}_t = k) \sum_{j=1}^K \{ A_{jk} \alpha(\mathbf{Z}_t = j) \}$  is the forward recursion probability

**Forward Probabilities**  
Matrix  $K \times T$

Where  $\beta(\mathbf{Z}_t = k) = \sum_{j=1}^K \{ \mathcal{N}(x_{t+1} | \mathbf{Z}_{t+1} = j) A_{kj} \alpha(\mathbf{Z}_{t+1} = j) \}$  is the backward recursion probability

**Backward Probabilities**  
Matrix  $K \times T$

$$\xi(\mathbf{Z}_{t-1}, \mathbf{Z}_t) = p(\mathbf{x} | \mathbf{Z}_{t-1}, \mathbf{Z}_t) P(\mathbf{Z}_{t-1}, \mathbf{Z}_t)$$

$$\xi(\mathbf{Z}_{t-1}, \mathbf{Z}_t) = \frac{\alpha(\mathbf{Z}_{t-1}) p(x_t | \mathbf{Z}_t) p(\mathbf{Z}_t | \mathbf{Z}_{t-1}) \beta(\mathbf{Z}_t)}{p(\mathbf{x})}$$

**2 Slice Marginals**  
Matrix  $K \times K \times (T - 1)$

**Likelihood function**

$$\ell = \log p(\mathbf{x}) = \sum_{t=1}^T \log \left( \sum_{k=1}^K \alpha(\mathbf{Z}_t = k) \right)$$

Chapter 13 in Bishop (2006).  
Pattern Recognition and Machine  
Learning. Springer

# ichorCNA: Model inference using EM (extra slide 3)

## M-Step: Update the parameters given the responsibilities

$$\mathbb{P}rior(\pi_{1:K}, \mu_{1:K}, \sigma_{1:K}^2, \mathbf{A}) = \prod_{k=1}^K Dir(\pi_k | \delta_k) Dir(A_k | \delta_A) \mathcal{N}(\mu_k | \alpha, \beta) InvGamma(\sigma_k^2 | \alpha_k, \beta_k) \quad \text{Priors}$$

$$\mathcal{O} = Q + \log \mathbb{P}(\pi_{1:K}, \mu_{1:K}, \sigma_{1:K}^2, \mathbf{A}) \quad \text{Complete data log likelihood + log priors}$$

- The object function  $\mathcal{O}$  is used to obtain the update equations for  $\pi_{1:K}$  and  $\mu_{1:K}$

$$\frac{\partial \mathcal{O}}{\partial \pi_k} = 0, \text{ find } \hat{\pi}_k \quad \text{MAP for initial state distribution}$$

$$\frac{\partial \mathcal{O}}{\partial \mu_k} = 0, \text{ find } \hat{\mu}_k \quad \text{MAP for for Gaussian means}$$

$$\frac{\partial \mathcal{O}}{\partial \sigma_k^2} = 0, \text{ find } \hat{\sigma}_k^2 \quad \text{MAP for for Gaussian variance}$$

$$\frac{\partial \mathcal{O}}{\partial A_{jk}} = 0, \text{ find } \hat{A}_{jk} \quad \text{MAP for transition probabilities}$$

**EM Convergence:** after each iteration, monitor the log posterior

$$\ell = \log p(\mathbf{x}) = \sum_{t=1}^T \log \left( \sum_{k=1}^K \alpha(Z_t = k) \right) \quad \text{Incomplete Data Log likelihood}$$

$$\log \mathbb{P} = \ell + \log \mathbb{P}rior(\pi_{1:K}, \mu_{1:K}, \sigma_{1:K}^2, \mathbf{A}) \quad \text{Log posterior}$$