

## Fine-tuning CNV Analysis for the Clinical Analysis of NGS Samples

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## Variant Calling

- Filtering and Annotation
- Clinical Reports
- CNV Analysis
- Pipeline: Run Workflows

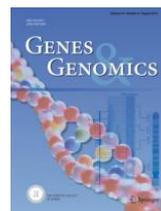
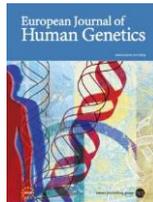
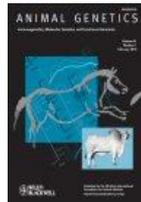
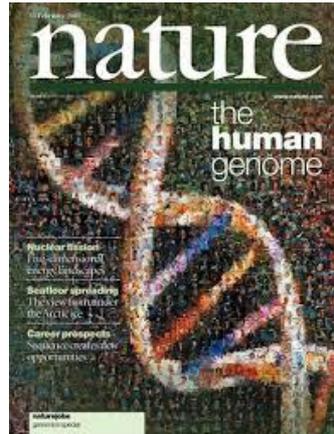
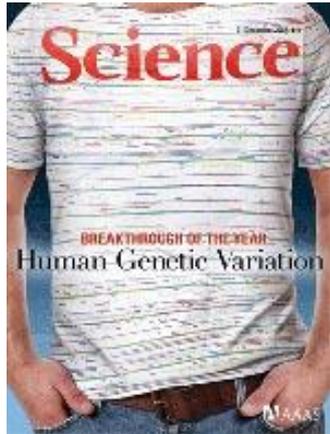


- Variant Warehouse
- Centralized Annotations
- Hosted Reports
- Sharing and Integration

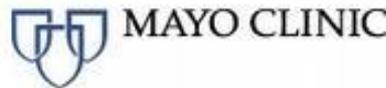


- GWAS
- Genomic Prediction
- Large-N-Population Studies
- RNA-Seq
- Large-N CNV-Analysis

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**PRODUCTS**

**BIOINFORMATICS PIPELINE**

**FUNCTION**



VS-CNV



SENTIEON DNASEQ



SENTIEON TNSEQ

OMIM SIFT & POLYPHEN CLINVAR ENSEMBL GENES  
CADD EXAC & GNOMAD EXOMES DBSNP REFSEQ GENES  
ONCO MD CONSERVATION SCORES COSMIC

FASTQ

SINGLE NUCLEOTIDE VARIATION

BAM

COPY NUMBER VARIATION & LOSS OF HETEROZYGOSITY

VCF

CHROMOSOMAL ABERRATION

**ANNOTATE**

PUBLIC & COMMERCIAL ANNOTATIONS  
TO ENRICH GENOMIC DATA SETS



VARSEQ

VSREPORTS

VSPipeline

**CLINICAL REPORT**

ANNOTATE & FILTER  
VISUALLY INSPECT ALIGNMENTS  
VARIANT PRIORITIZATION  
CLINICAL ASSESSMENT



WAREHOUSE

**DATA WAREHOUSING**

CLINICAL ASSESSMENT CATALOG  
ADVANCED DATA QUERYING  
VERSIONING

WEB-ENABLED INTERFACE  
+ POWERFUL API: JSON, XML  
TSV, CSV, SQL, FHIR

INTEROPERABILITY  
COMPLIANCE WITH HIPAA, CLIA, & CAP  
DATA DISCOVERY



- **Critical evidence needed for many genetic tests**
- **Common driver specific cancers, causal hereditary variation**
  - EGFR Exon 19 deletion common in lung cancer
  - PIK3CA Amplification in breast cancer
- **Large events used heavily in diagnostics**
  - Chromosome 13 deletion common in melanoma
  - Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD)
  - Developmental Delay (DD)
  - Intellectual Delay (ID)

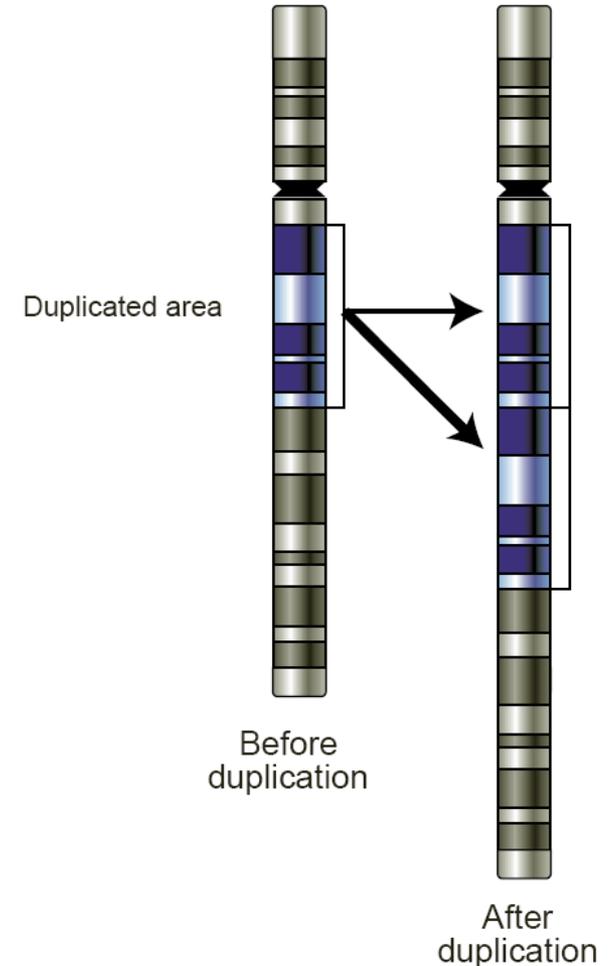


- **Chromosomal microarray**

- Current best practice
- Slow
- Additional expense
- Only detects large events

- **CNV calling from NGS data**

- Calls from existing coverage data
- Detects small single-exon events
- Provides faster results, simplified clinical workflow

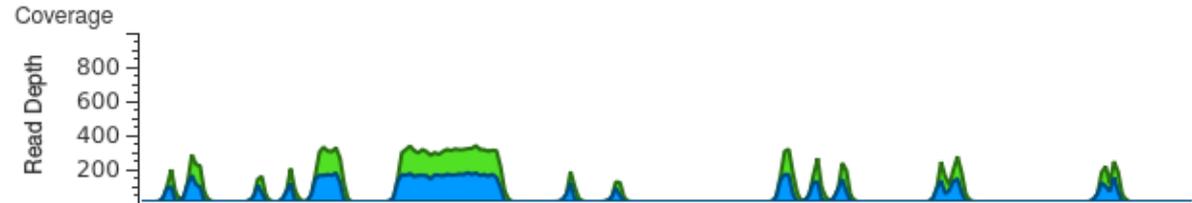


# CNV Detection via NGS

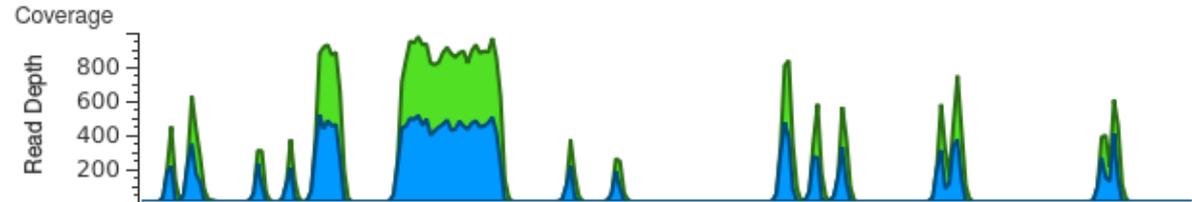


- **CNVs are called from coverage data**
- **Challenges**
  - Coverage varies between samples
  - Coverage fluctuates between targets
  - Systematic biases impact coverage
- **Solutions**
  - Data Normalization
  - Reference Sample Comparison

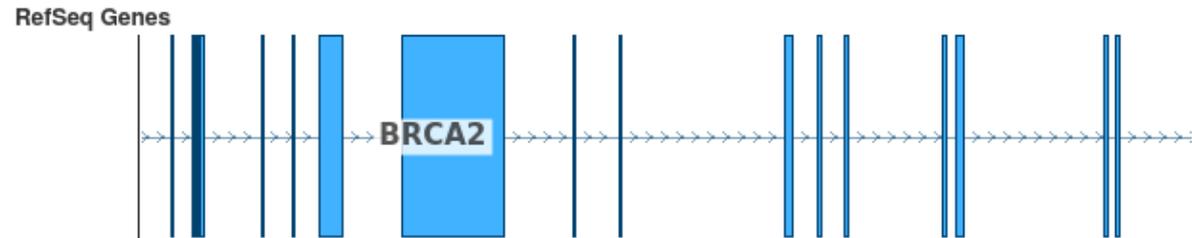
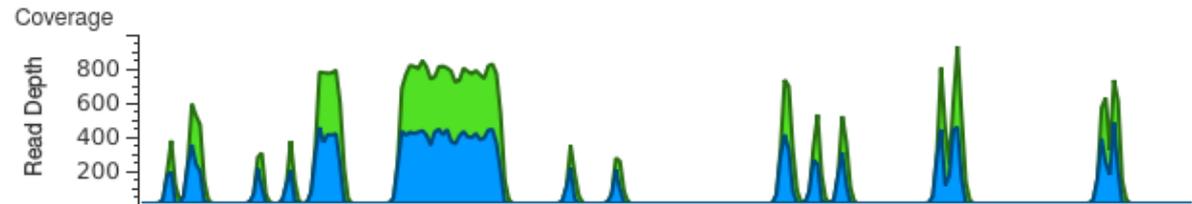
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Current Sample: RD-NGSPROGENITYCANCER-SAMPLE12



Current Sample: RD-NGSPROGENITYCANCER-SAMPLE13



# CNV calling in VarSeq



- **Reference samples used for normalization**

- **Metrics**

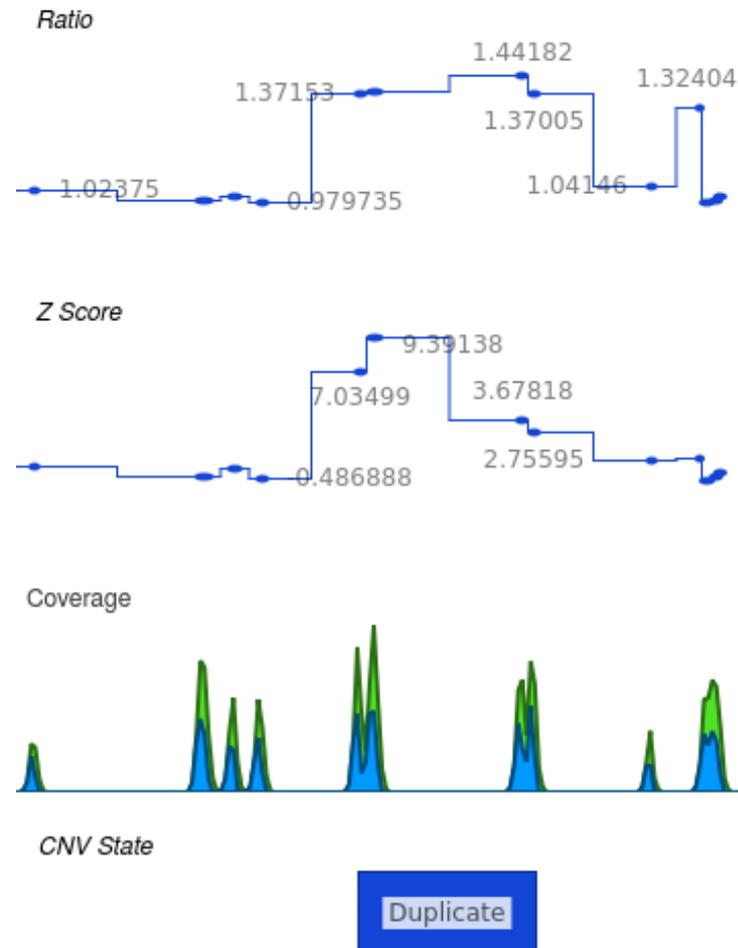
- Z-score: number of standard deviations from reference sample mean
- Ratio: sample coverage divided by reference sample mean
- VAF: Variant Allele Frequency

- **For Gene Panels and Exomes**

- Probabilistic model used to call CNVs
- Segmentation identifies large cytogenetic events

- **For Whole Genome Data**

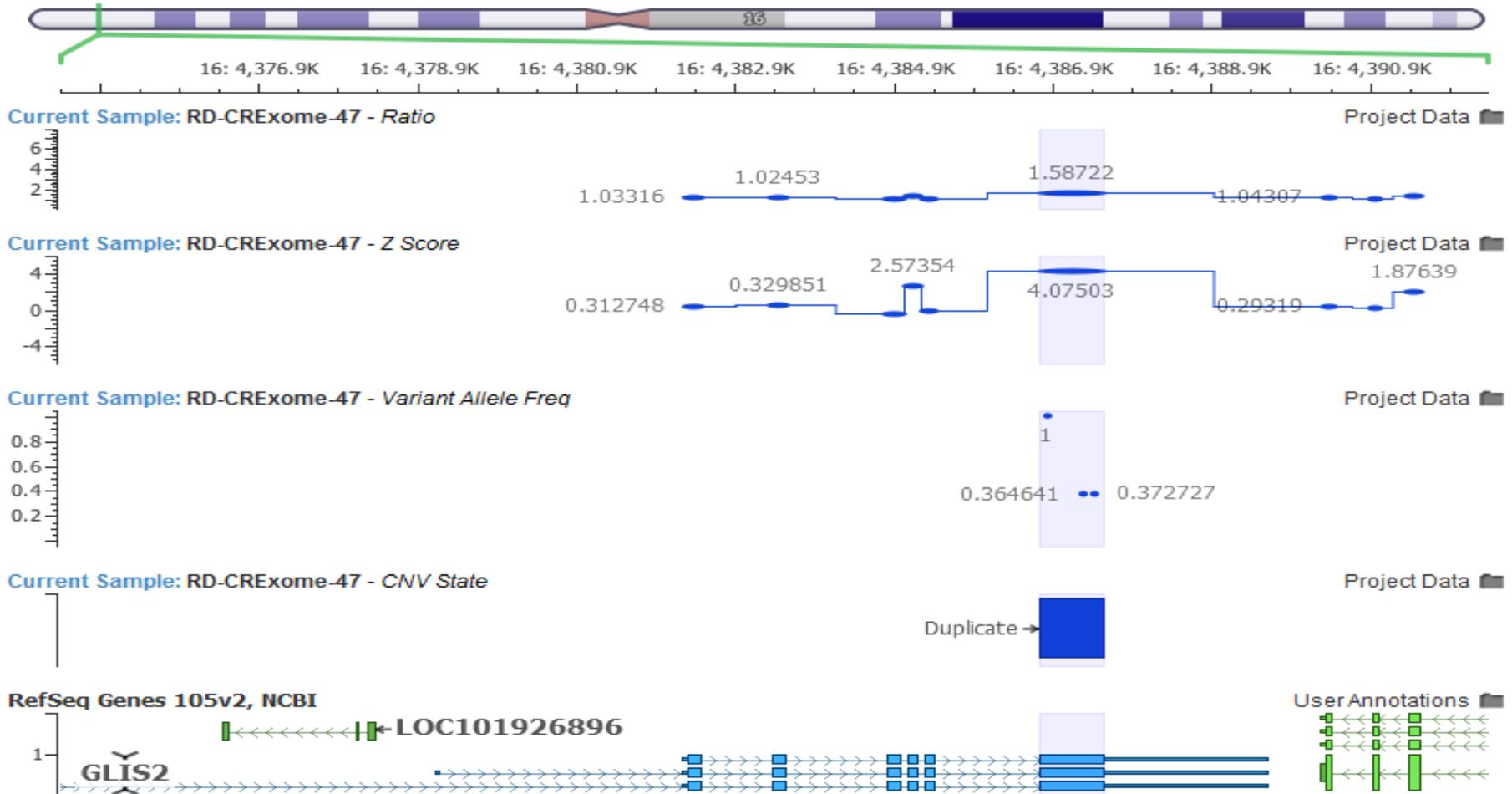
- Targets segmented using Z-scores
- Events called based on Z-score and Ratio thresholds





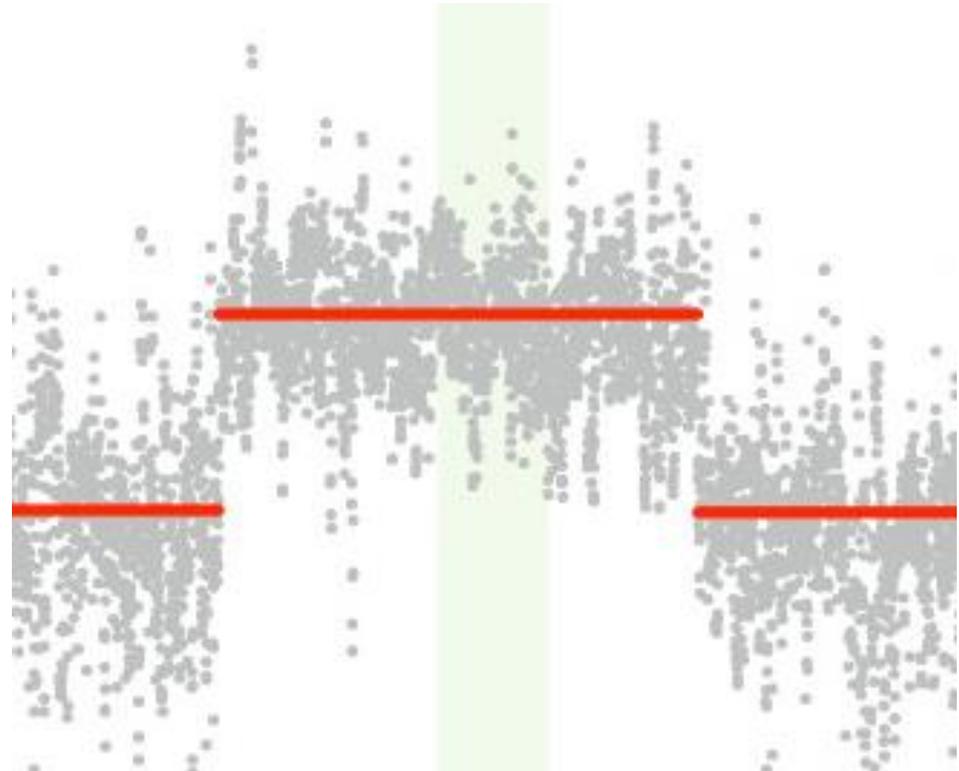
# VAF provides supporting evidence

- Values other than 0 or 1 are evidence against het. Deletions
- Values of  $2/3$  and  $1/3$  are evidence for duplications



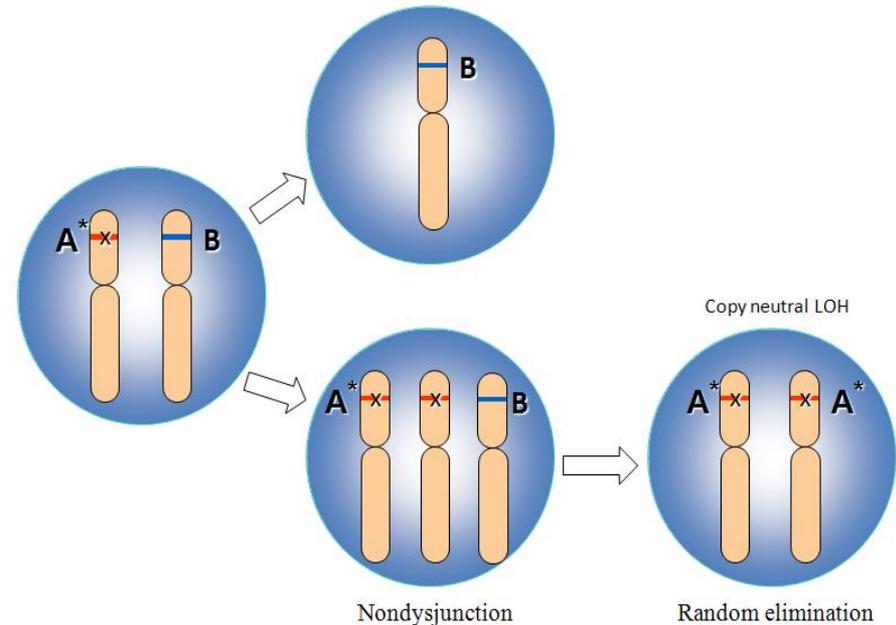


- **Metrics are noisy over large regions**
- **Outliers cause large events to be called as many small events**
- **Addressed using segmentation:**
  - CNAM Optimal Segmentation
  - Regions containing many events are segmented
  - Small events sharing a segmented region are merged





- Large LoH events need to be interpreted in any gene test that covers large CNVs
- New Loss of Heterozygosity(LOH) detection based on H3M2 (Magi *et al.*)
- Calls LoH events using Hidden Markov Model (HMM)
  - Observations are variant allele frequencies
  - States are either Homozygous or Non-Homozygous



# LoH Calling



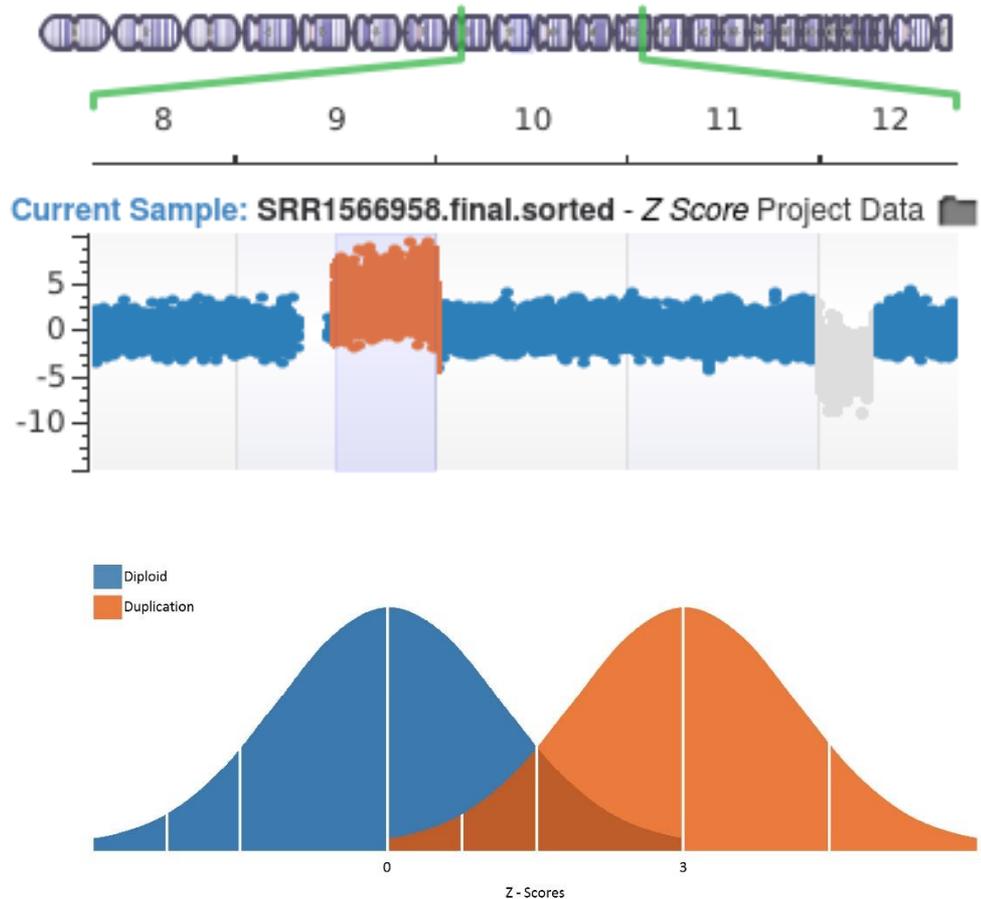


## ■ P-Values

- Probability of z-scores at least as extreme assuming the event targets are diploid
- Computed using Student's t-test
- Distribution of event z-scores compared to distribution of diploid targets

## ■ Quantifies CNV Call Confidence

- Values below 0.01 indicate high confidence calls
- Values above 0.01 indicate lower confidence calls

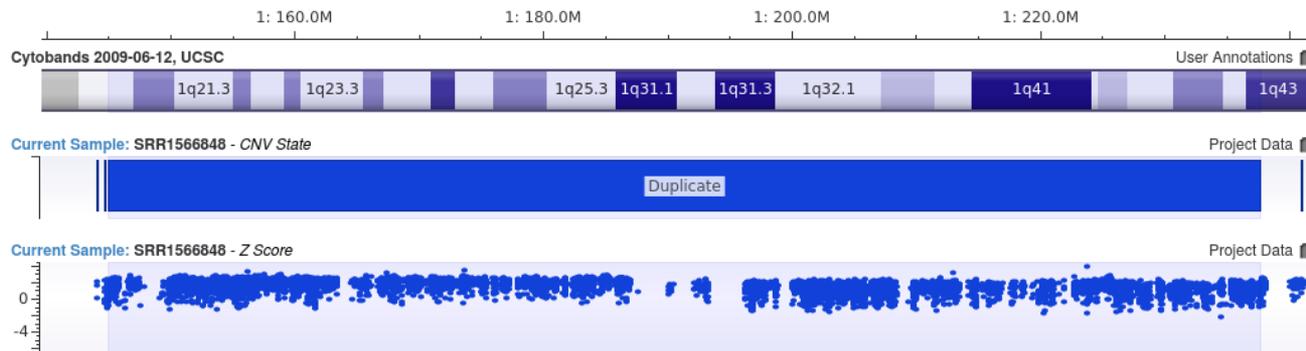


$$p = 1.4 \cdot 10^{-32}$$

# Karyotype Notation



- Karyotype notation provided for large cytogenetic events
- Karyotypes provided at both event and sample level
- Uses common notation
- Specifies chromosome, arm, and band for each mutation



46,XY,dup(1)(q21.1q43)



- **Low quality events can be flagged if**
  - Event targets have low coverage
  - There is high variation between samples at event targets
  - Event cannot be differentiated from noise at a region
  
- **Samples can be flagged if**
  - The sample does not match the references
  - The sample has extremely low coverage
  - There is high variance across the target regions
  
- **Filtering flagged events improves precision**

# Reference Samples



- **Match references are chosen for each sample**
- **Samples with lowest percent difference chosen**
- **Performance affected if controls don't have matching coverage profile**
- **Samples are flagged if the average percent difference is above 20%**



- **100x Coverage**
- **Reference samples**
  - Recommend at least 30 references
  - Minimum of 10
  - From same platform and library preparation
  - Gender matched references required for non-autosomal calls



- **Sex is inferred from coverage data**
  - Sample is inferred female if
    - Y chromosome coverage is low
    - X chromosome coverage matches the autosome
  - Otherwise the sample is inferred to be male
- **Samples are matched on inferred sex**
- **Same-sex samples are used for normalization of non-autosomal chromosomes**

# Sources for Annotating CNVs



- **CNV calls in Populations:**
  - 1000 Genomes Phase3 Large Variants
  - ExAC per-sample CNV calls
  - DGV large-cohort studies
- **Clinical Interpretations:**
  - ClinVar Large Variants
  - ClinGen (Previously ISCA)
- **Genes**
  - Gene track, which transcripts/exons
  - Special considerations considering large sizes
- **Regions**
  - Genomic Superdups (Large Scale)
  - Low Complexity Regions (Smaller Scale)

Select Data Source

Select tracks to use as annotation sources against the imported variant set.

Locations: Local

Filter: \* (Any type) Homo sapiens (Human), GRCh37 g1k (Fe) [X] Current

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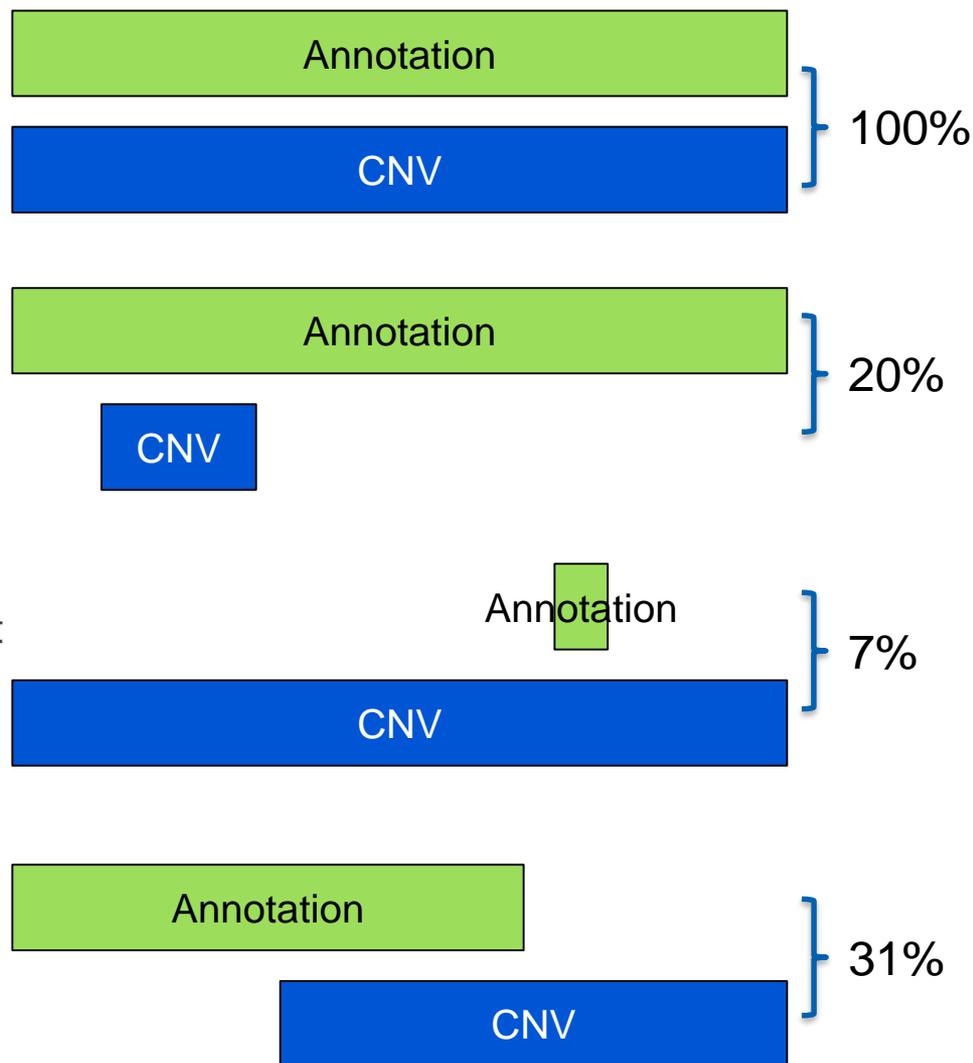
# Annotation Algorithms: Overlapping Regions



- Not expect exact matches
- Need metric of “sameness”
- Jaccard index:
  - “similarity coefficient”

$$J(A, B) = \frac{|A \cap B|}{|A \cup B|}$$

- For fully overlapped regions, the percent overlap of the smaller to the larger
- Default value of 20% for annotations
- If set to 0%, then any overlap matches
- If set to 100%, then exact matches





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