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Efficient and Scalable Workflows for Genomic Analyses

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Summary

Contributions:

- Common mathematical kernels: Static analysis of genomic analyses algorithms
- **Performance Pathologies**: Measurement driven diagnosis of performance bottlenecks
- **IGen**: A scalable genomic data analytics framework which overcomes observed inefficiencies

"Variant Calling and Genotyping" Workflow as the driver

	Baseline Runtime	IGen Accelerated Runtime **	Speedup
Blue Waters – Single Node (CPU)	59 hr	28 hr	2.1x
IBM Power 8 – Single Node (CPU + GPU + FPGA)	36 hr	11 hr	5.3x, 3.2x
Blue Waters – 10 Nodes (CPU)	-	2 hr	22x



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Noisy Data Polyploid Samples



The Genomic Data Deluge



http://www.genome.gov/sequencingcosts

- Falling costs
 - Capex: Cost of buying sequencing machines
 - **Opex**: Cost of sequencing genomes
- Potential for large amounts of sequence data to be generated over a short span of time
 - Societally important problem
 - Scope for personalized medicine changing healthcare delivery



Variant Discovery as a Workflow



The Broad Institute Best Practices Guidelines

- Tools come from disparate sources
 - Designed for workstations
 - *Few* are performance tuned
 - Do not fit well in traditional HPC

https://www.broadinstitute.org/gatk/guide/best-practices.php



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Computational Kernels

- **Computational Kernels**: Basic Mathematical Operations common to large number of bioinformatics analysis
- Kernels enable system level optimizations effecting a large number of tools
- Clearly show commonalities between different tools performing the same analysis
- Provide an interface between algorithm designers and system designers
 - Future benchmarks for data-intensive HPC machines
- Defines a simple data-flow abstraction for non-expert programmers (biologists)



Kernels



Single Ended NGS Read Alignment as a DFG



	Kernels	Repeated kernel usage across tools/stages		
Reference	NGS Data Prefix Match Algorithm	Landau-Viehkin Aligned NGS Data		
Workflow stage	ŀ	Kernels		
Error Correction	K-mer computation	K-mer computation		
Alignment	K-mer computation, Prefix	K-mer computation, Prefix Tree, Edit-distance computation		
Indel Re-Alignment	Edit-distance computation	Edit-distance computation		
Re-Calibration	Yates correction	Yates correction		
Variant Calling	Entropy, Convolution, Asser Bayesian inference	mbly, Edit-distance, Pair-HMM,		

See paper for common kernels across multi-sequence alignment, metagenomics and phylogeny



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Deploying genomics workflows on parallel systems





Tools are not well suited for HPC machines





Understanding Performance Issues





System resource utilization for phases of the Broad Institute Best Practices Guide Workflow

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Variant Calling on Spark

- Best performance Best place to start!
- ADAM: Extremely efficient data formats for parallel compute



Time Spent in Serialization for ADAM based file formats

- Several Problems
 - Serialization takes a lot of time
 - Easy to program ≠ Good performance
 - Single Node performance quite poor, Great Scalability
 - Non-trivial (12.3 %) amount of time spent in faulttolerance related computation/messaging
 - JVM Garbage collection



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Sequences to Systems

Key Idea: Decouple algorithms, schedule and accelerators

- Algorithm: What is computed
- Schedule: Where and when it is computed
- Accelerators: How it is computed









Variant Calling and Genotyping in IGen

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* Whole Human Genome @ 60x coverage ** Default tool parameters



Enhancements in IGen

- Succinct data representations
 - All tools use ASCII based in-memory representations
 - Use 2 and 4 bit representation for Nucelotides/CIGAR
- Asynchronous File IO
- Column based data-structures to improve locality and aid vectorization



• Compiler assisted and SIMD intrinsic based implementations of kernels



Conclusions





- Bringing computer systems and analytics to precision medicine
 - ExEn and IGen for accelerated NGS analysis
 - NEAT and AssembleSV for quality control of NGS pipelines
 - Statistical analysis for deriving actionable intelligence



Medical

CompGen Machine



Timely Diagnosis

Personalized Drugs

Model Drug Response

New Biological Insight