JBrowse

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What is GMOD?

- A set of interoperable open-source software components for visualizing, annotating, and managing biological data.
- An active community of developers and users asking diverse questions, and facing common challenges, with their biological data.

Who uses GMOD?















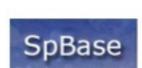












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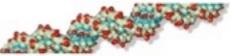


















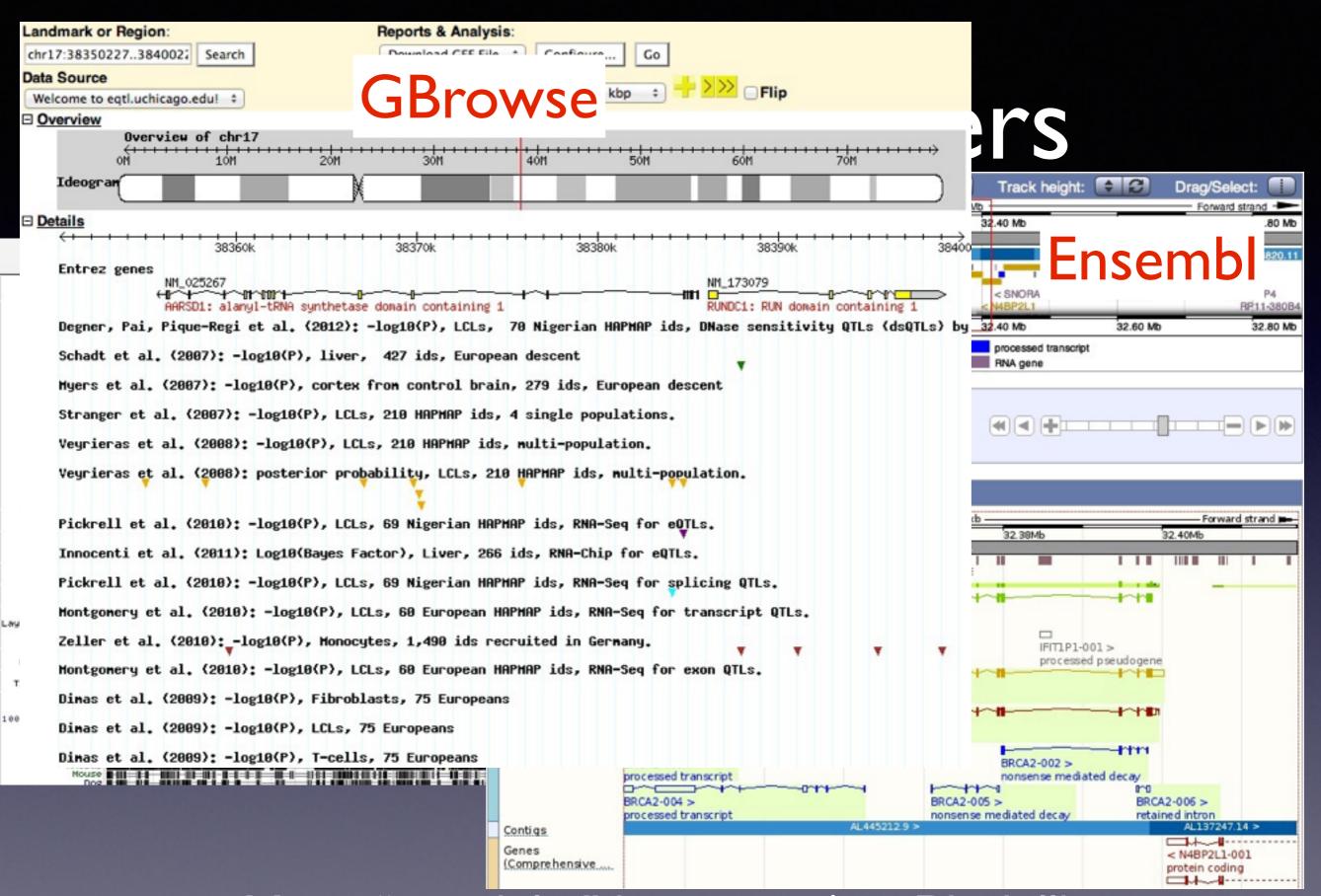






What are Genome Browsers good for?

- Visualizing dense data from a multitude of sources (genes from a GFF file, RNASeq data from a BAM file, variation data from a VCF file)
- Homology and gene expression support for gene models



 Many "specialty" browsers (eg, Biodalliance, Savant)

Why Install Your Own?

- You have data no one else has
- You want to be able to share it with your group, community, the world (potentially with "less savvy" users)
- You want to have control over how it looks

Why JBrowse?

- (Fairly) Easy install
- Good user experience (getting close to a browser-desktop hybrid)
- Good community support (mailing lists, tutorials, software updates)

Installation

- Only requires:
 - Web server (apache, lighttpd, nginx, etc)
 - Conveniently, Mac OS X ships with one installed.
 - Perl/make/standard unix-y tools

JBrowse Attributes

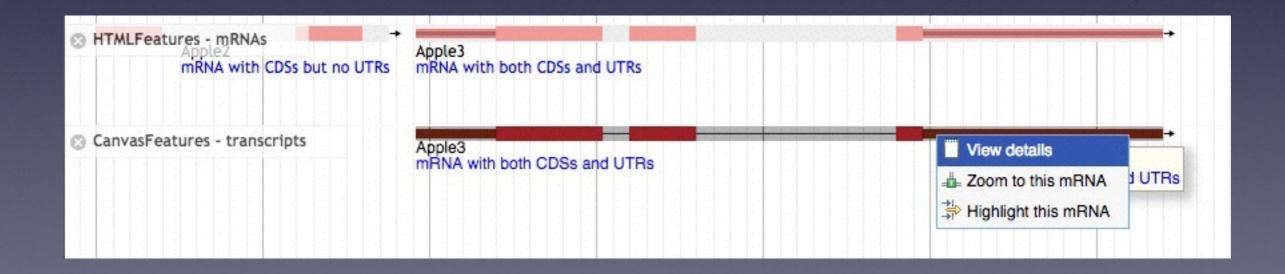
- Do everything possible on the client side, in JavaScript.
- Fast, smooth navigation.
- Supports GFF3, BED, Bio::DB::*, Chado, WIG, BAM, BigWig, VCF, and UCSC import (intron/exon structure, name lookups, quantitative plots).
- Is stably funded by NHGRI.
- Is open source, of course.
- Did I mention it's fast?

The JBrowse Project

- free and open source (license: LGPL / Artistic)
- a GMOD project
 - http://gmod.org
- developed using git, hosted on GitHub
 - http://github.com/GMOD/jbrowse
- Pls most involved: Ian Holmes, Lincoln Stein, Suzi Lewis

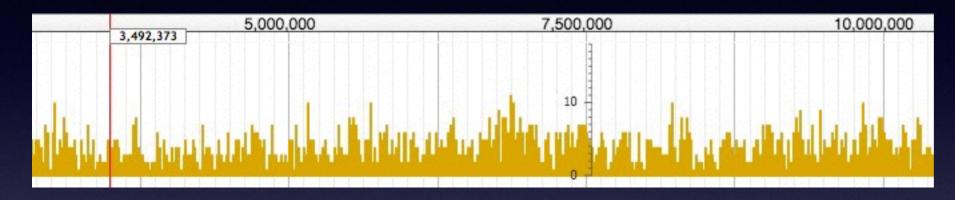
Feature Tracks

- HTMLFeatures: Rectangles (<div>s) with various fills and heights to represent the feature spans (more compatible)
- CanvasFeatures: Much prettier, more configurable glyphs
- Super-configurable left clicking and right-click

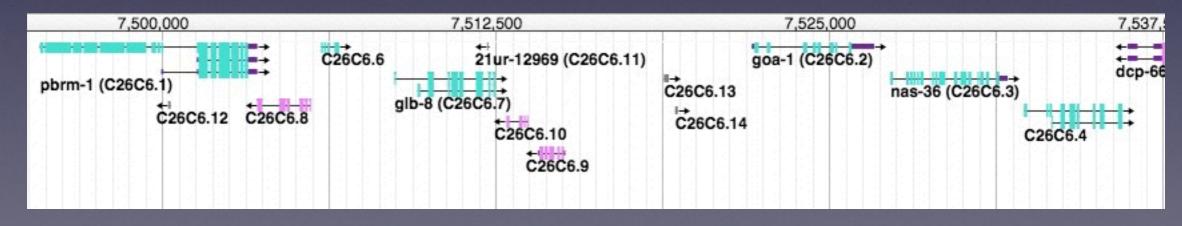


Feature Density Plots

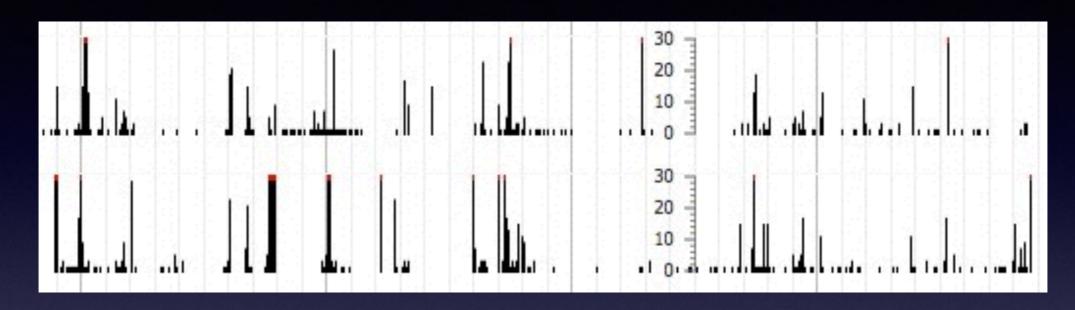
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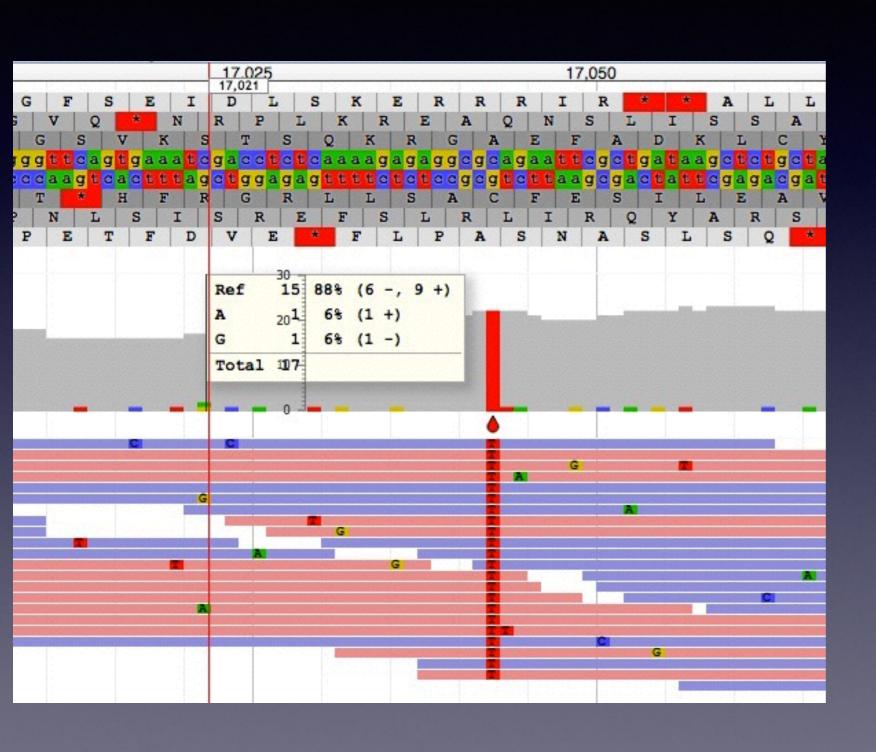


Wiggle/BigWig Tracks



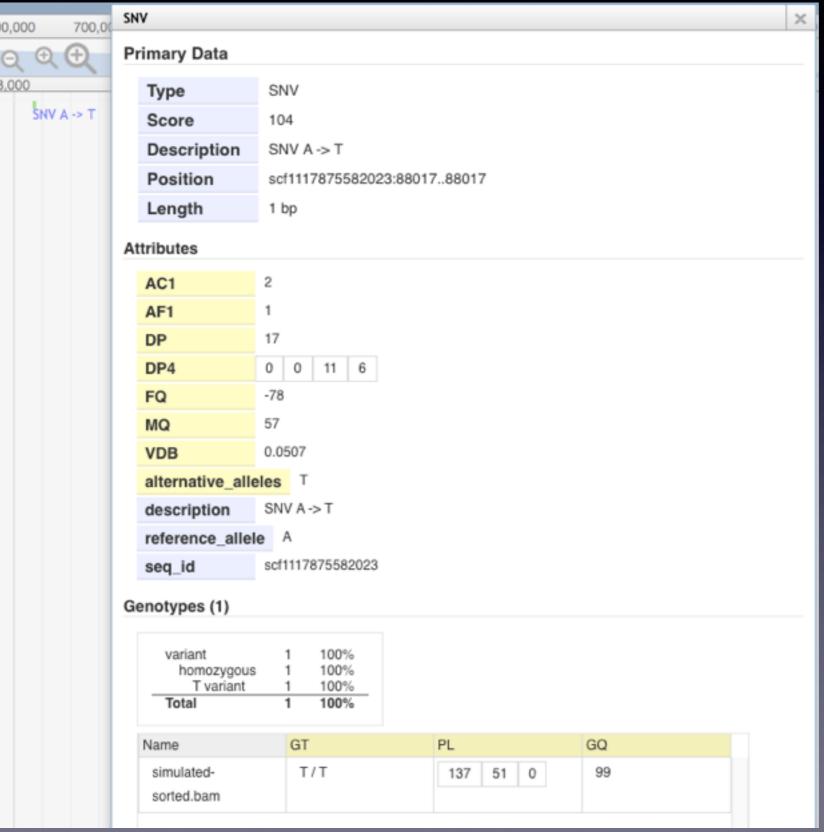
- Reads small chunks directly from BigWig file.
- Needs only a not-super-old (< 5 yrs) browser,
 except for Internet Explorer.
- IE requires version 10.

BAM Alignment Tracks



- Reads small chunks directly from BAM file.
- Coverage and mismatches.

VCFTracks



- Reads directly from VCF files compressed and indexed with bgzip and tabix.
- Shows all VCF data: alleles, genotypes, quality, etc.

Particular Strengths

- Web-based, but fast and smooth easy to set up
- Compressed NGS data: direct-to-browser BAM, BigWig, and VCF
- Optional faceted track selector efficiently search thousands of tracks
- Open local files directly on client, no data transfer required
- Highly customizable, embeddable, integratable, programmable

WebApollo

http://gmod.org/wiki/WebApollo

- Based on JBrowse, using plugin system
- Next generation of the popular Apollo annotation editor
- Online annotation editing and curation!



WebApollo

- Clients receive updates in real time (like Google Docs)
- Saves edits to a central Chado database
- Client side is a JBrowse plugin
- Extensive server-side Java
- Maybe a live demo (later)
- http://genomearchitect.org/WebApolloDemo/

Browse Plugins

- Extend JBrowse with your own JavaScript code
- Can do pretty much anything
 - Add your own track visualizations
 - Add your own data backends
 - Add menu items
 - Subscribe to event notifications (pub/sub system)
 - Reach deep into the guts of JBrowse and (carefully!)
 - change anything at all!
- WebApollo client is a JBrowse plugin

Coming in 2.X

- MORE: data types, sorting options, speed
- Graphical configuration
- Multiple views, linked or independent
- Logins, uploading, track sharing
- Circular genomes

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The End (on to the workshop)

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