

Trinity On TACC For Everyone

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Genomes vs Transcriptomes

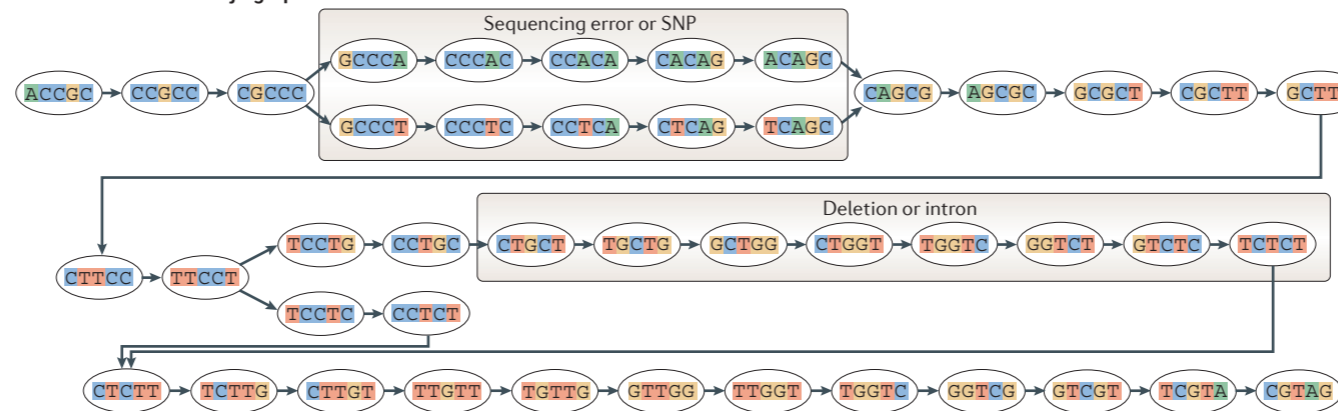
- Genomes: mostly uniform coverage across genome; target is usually tens of chromosomes.
- Transcriptomes: widely varying coverage depending on gene expression; splice variants for thousands of transcripts.
- Genome and transcriptome assemblers are based similar ideas, but must use different algorithms.

de Bruijn Graphs: Modern Assembly

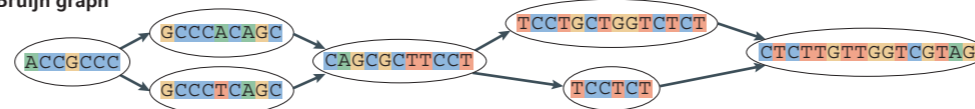
a Generate all substrings of length k from the reads



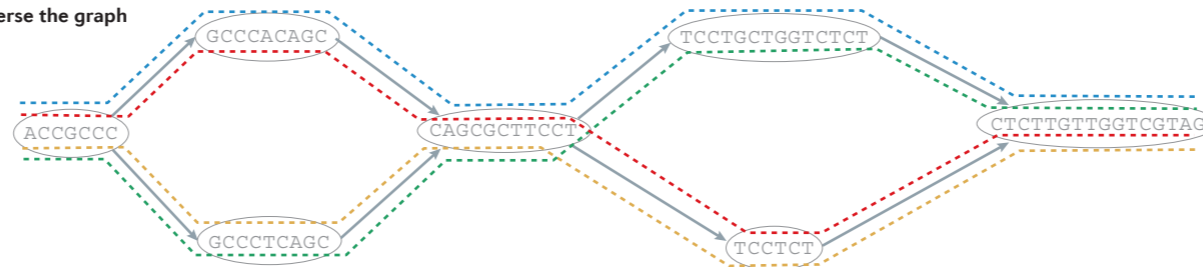
b Generate the De Bruijn graph



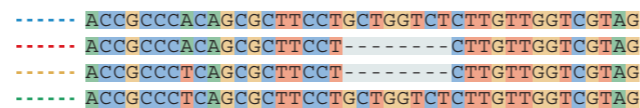
c Collapse the De Bruijn graph



d Traverse the graph



e Assembled isoforms

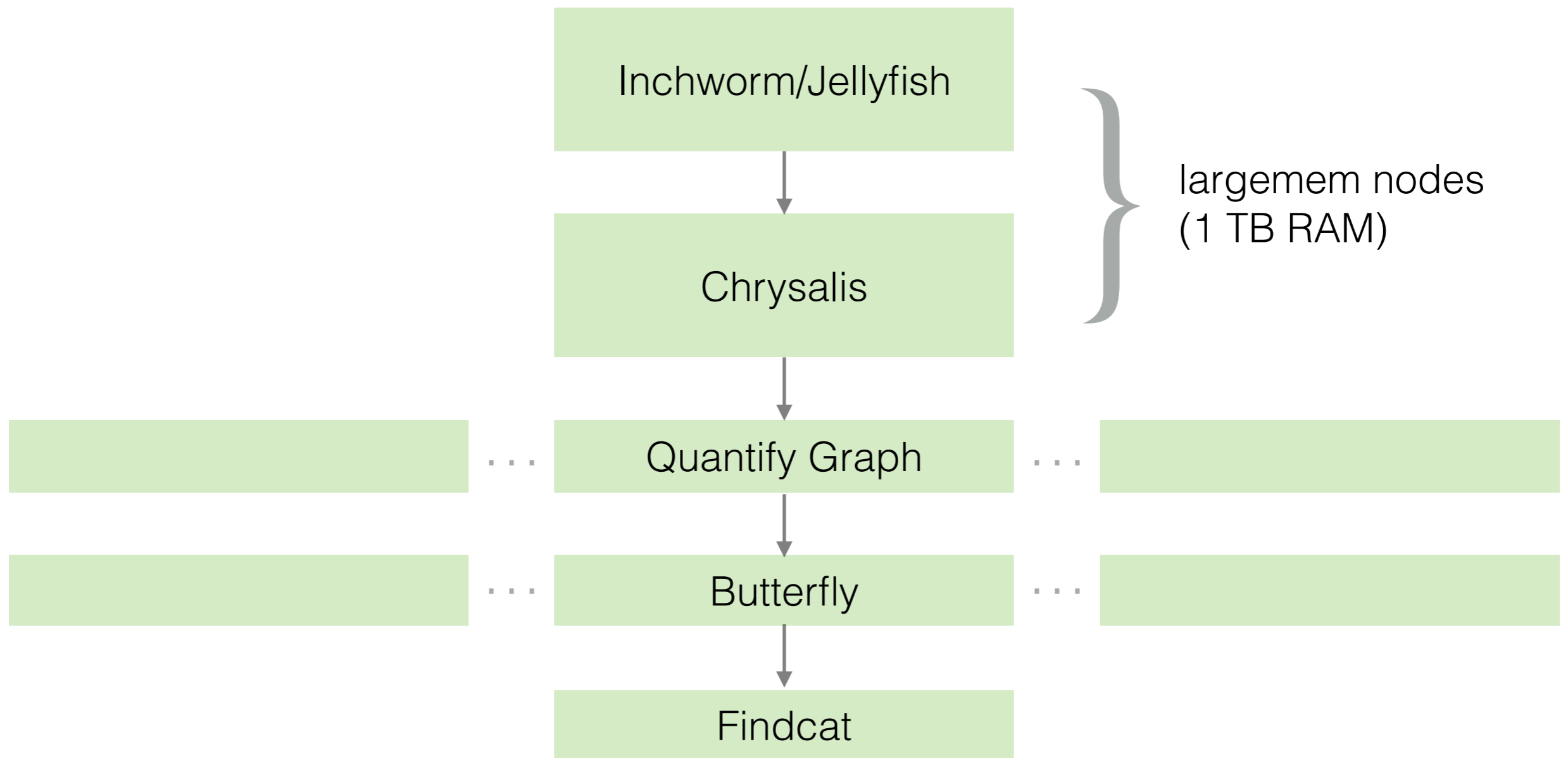


Trinity Is A Pipeline



- Inchworm and Chrysalis are responsible for cutting up short reads into k-mers, and generating the de Bruijn graphs (one graph per gene).
- Butterfly determines putative transcripts (and isoforms) from the de Bruijn graphs that Chrysalis generates.

Trinity Parallelized On TACC



An Actual Command

```
login2:~$ assemble_trinity -a DNAdenovo -l R1_reads -r R2_reads -o Fish
```

allocation

R1 reads

R2 reads

output
directory

Future Development

- Set up `assemble_trinity` to work on Stampede.
- Find a way around the time limits in Lonestar and Stampede. (Some ideas, nothing working yet.)