

VisRseq: R-based visual analytics software for sequencing data

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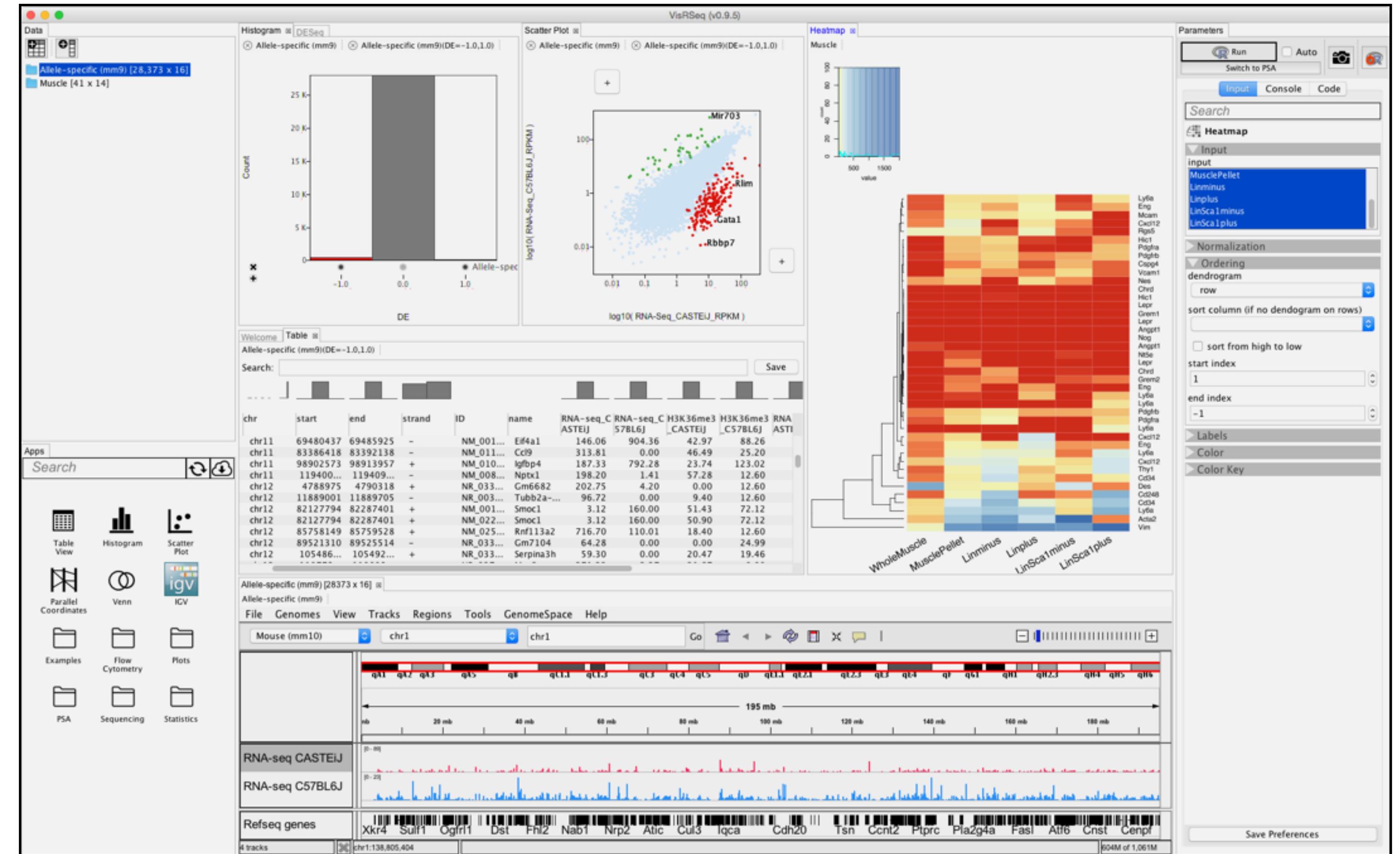
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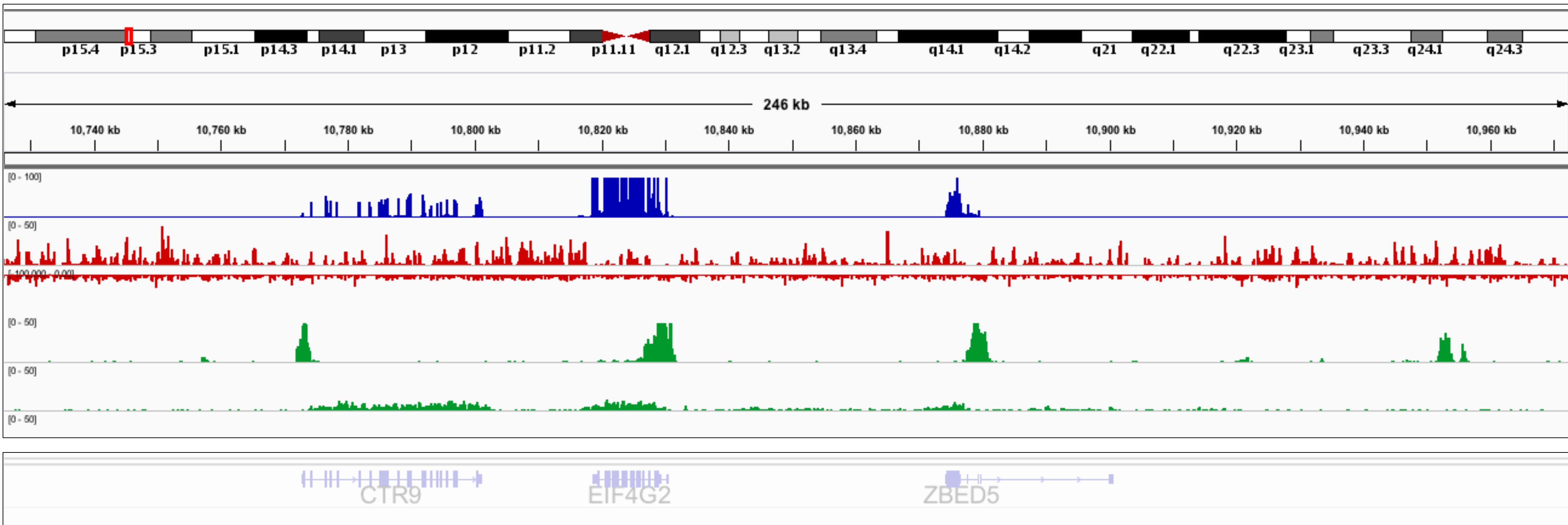
Overview

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introduction

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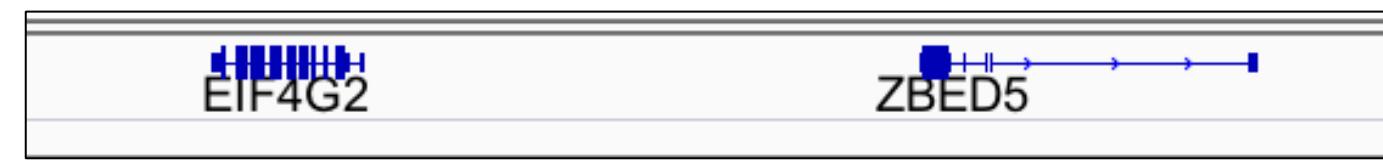


- numerical measures for biological properties per genomic location
- RNA-seq, ChIP-seq, Bis-seq, MeDIP, etc.

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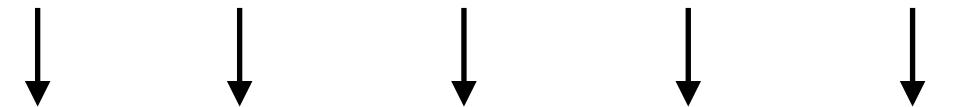


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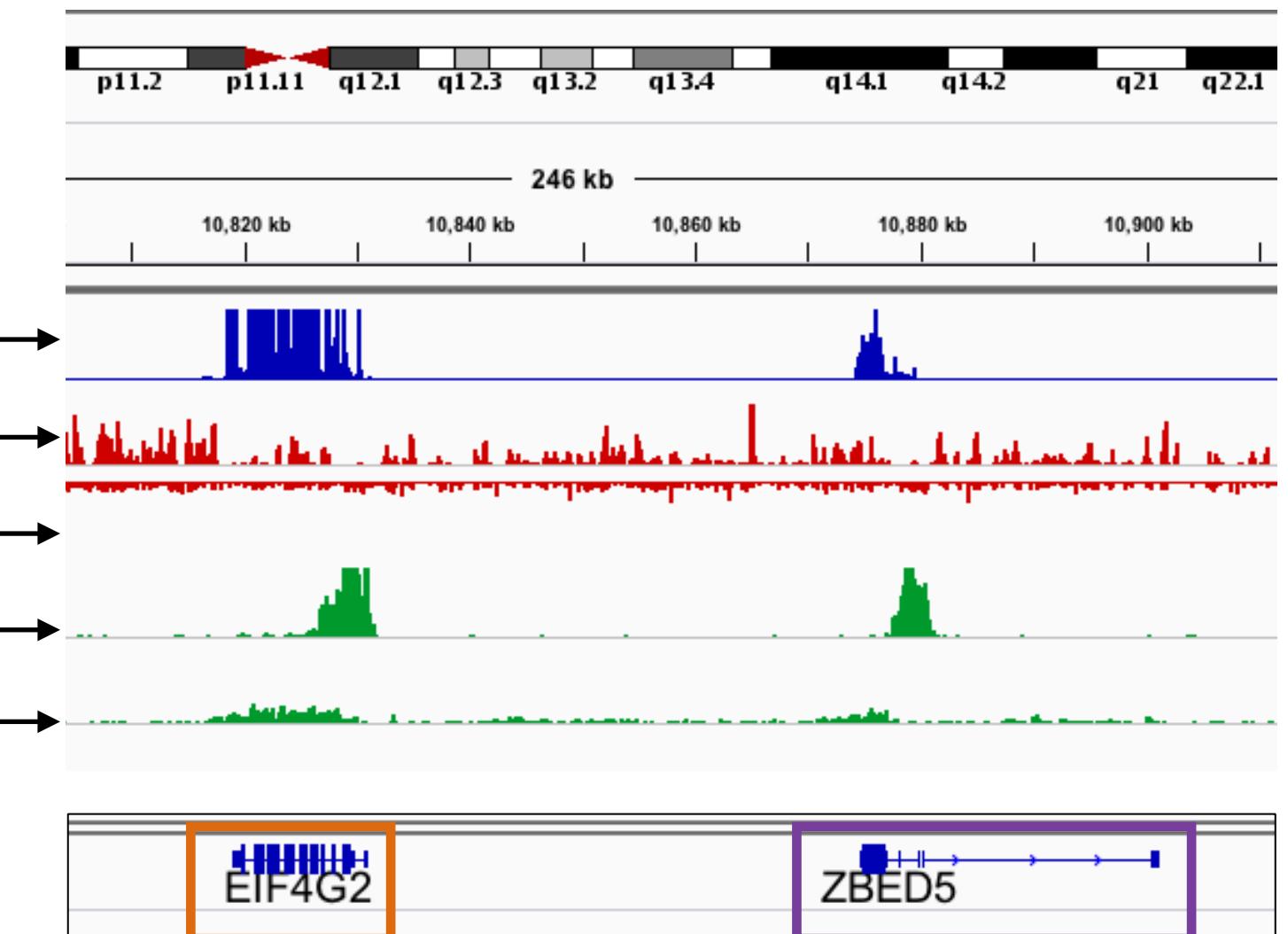
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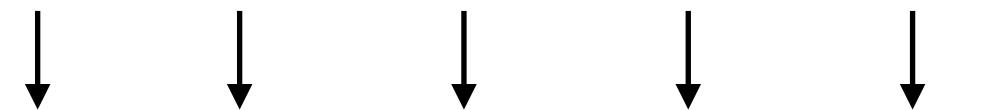


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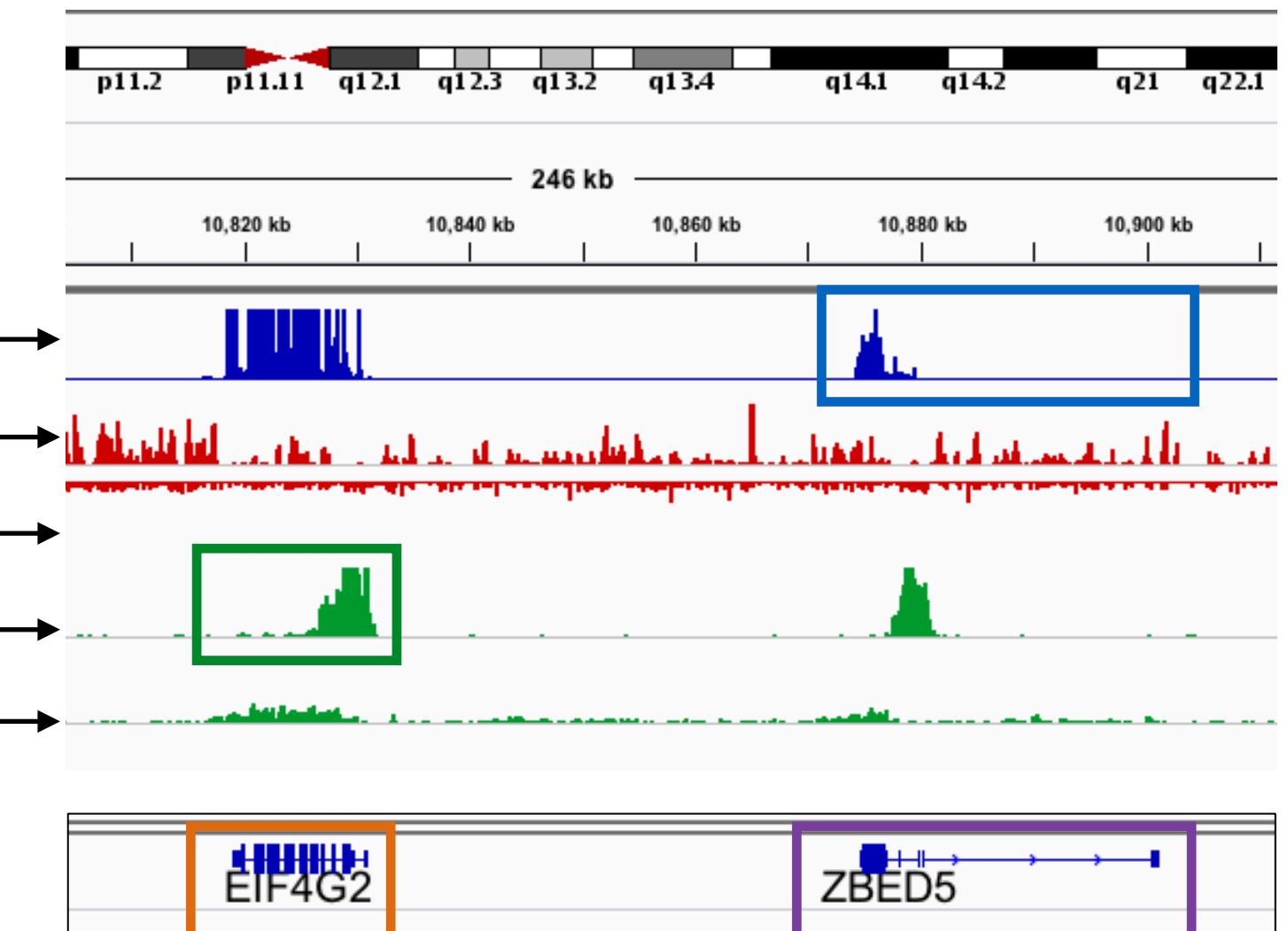
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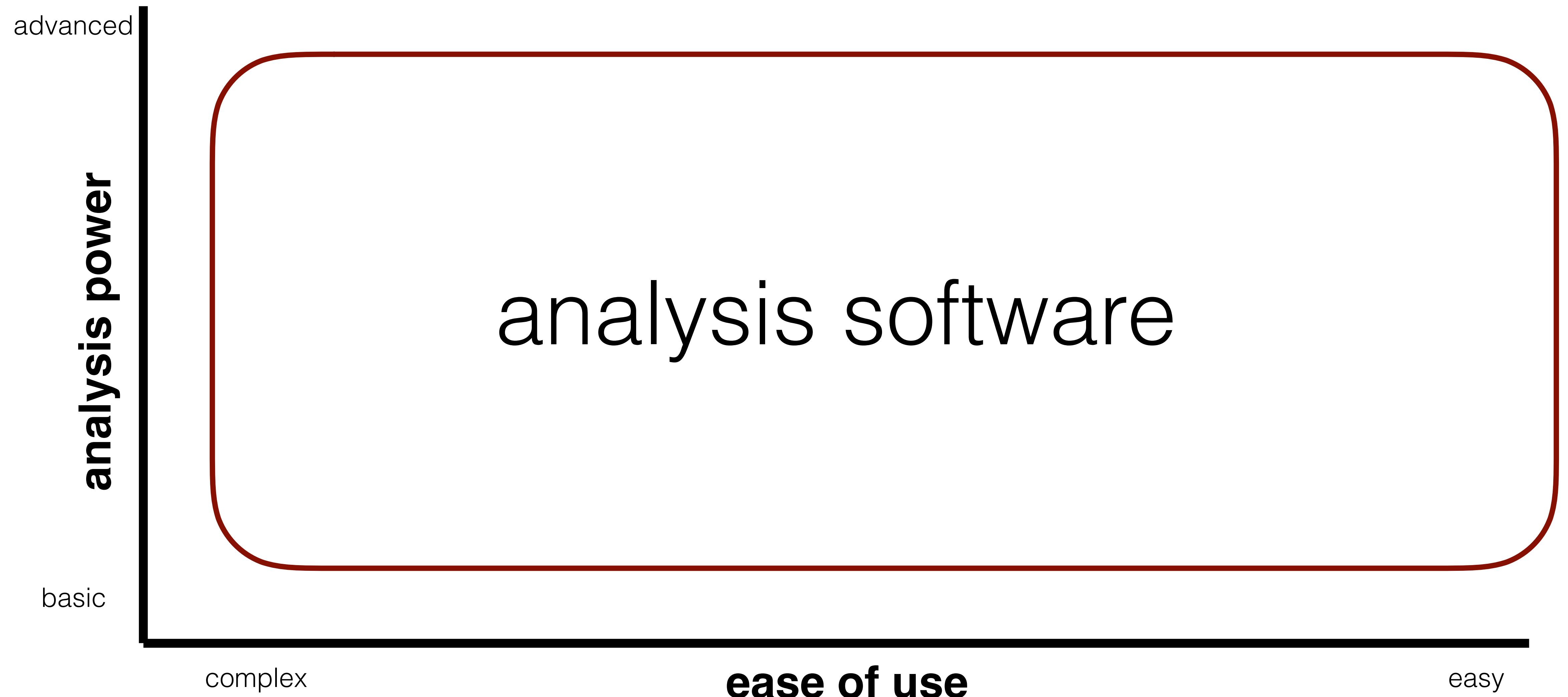
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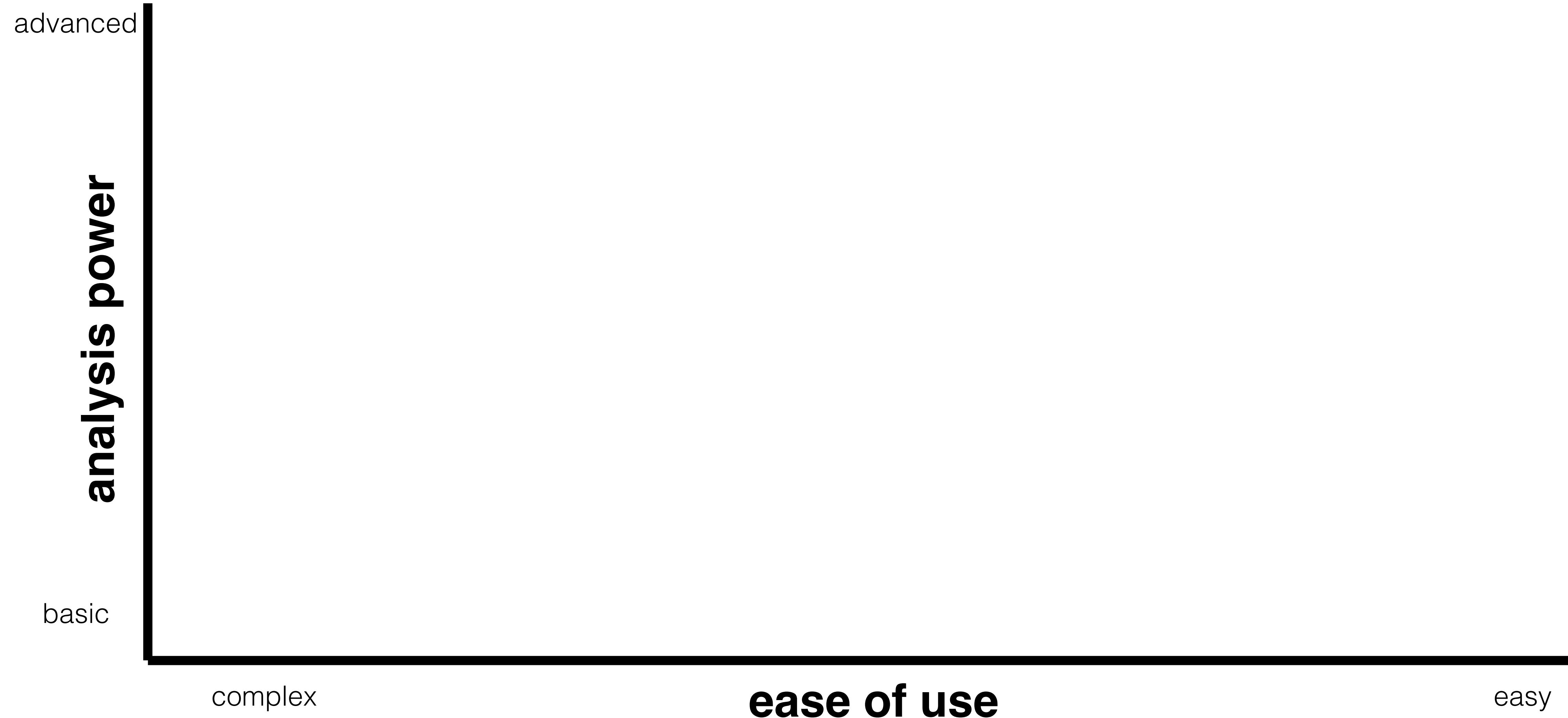
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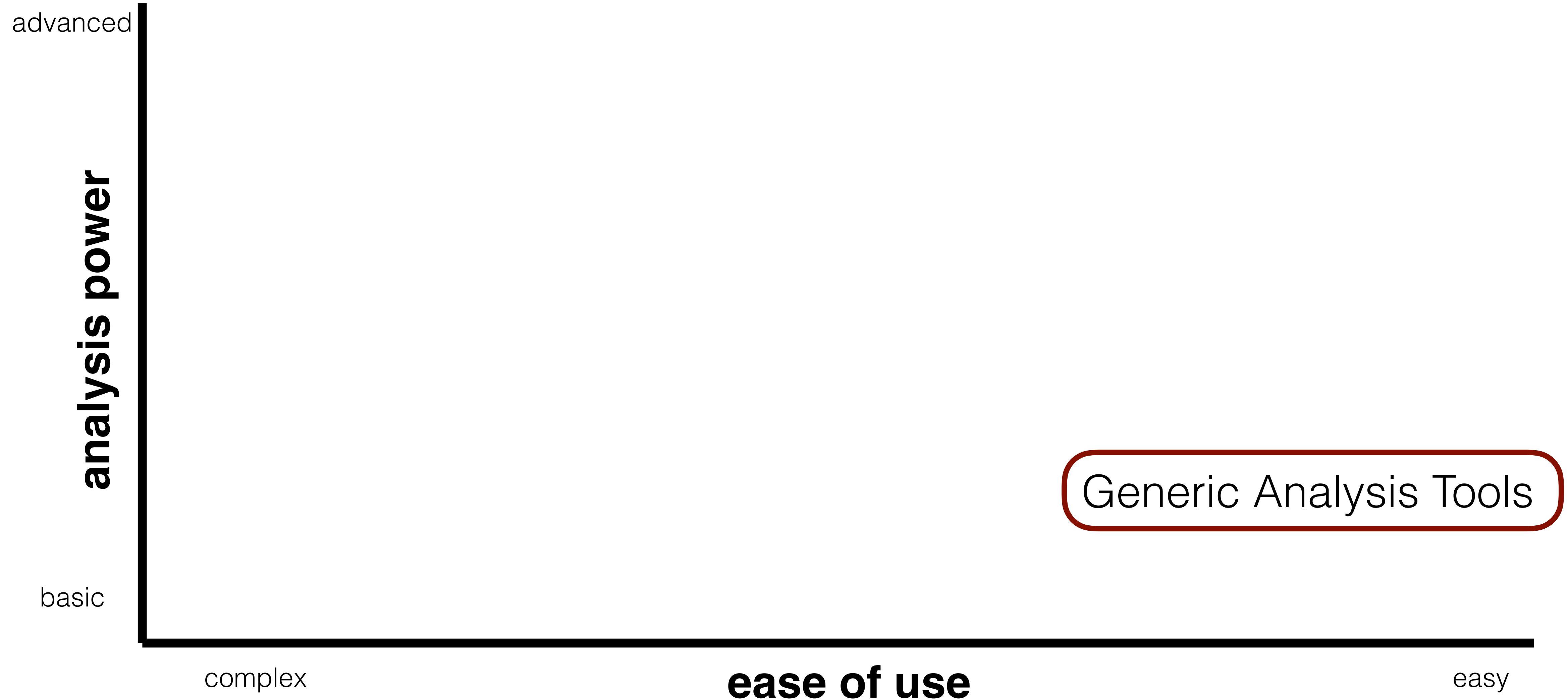
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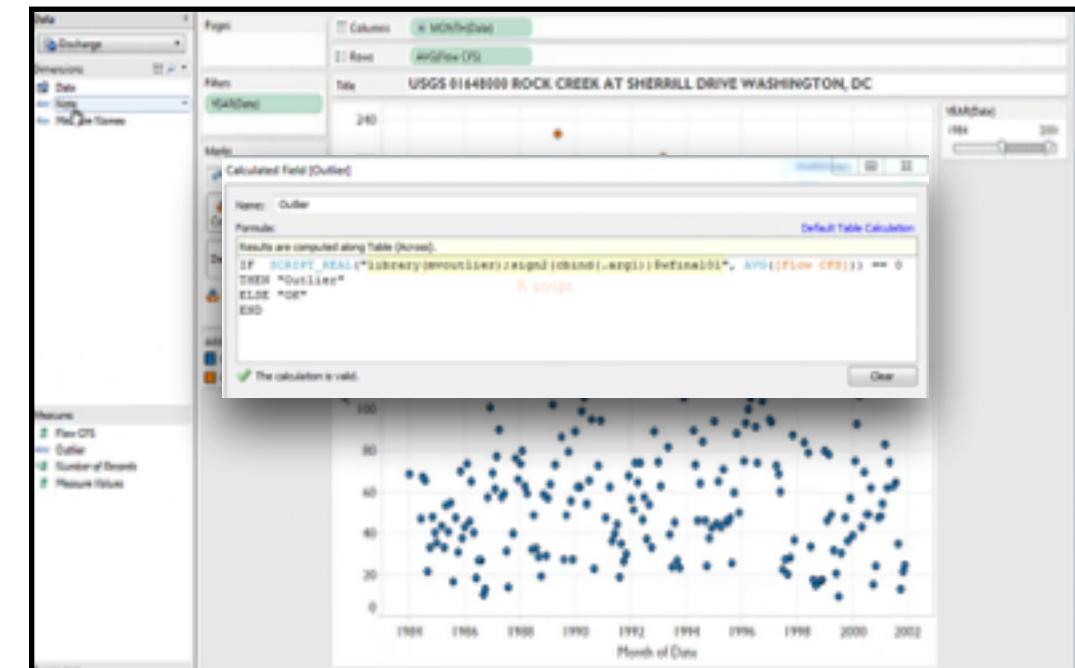
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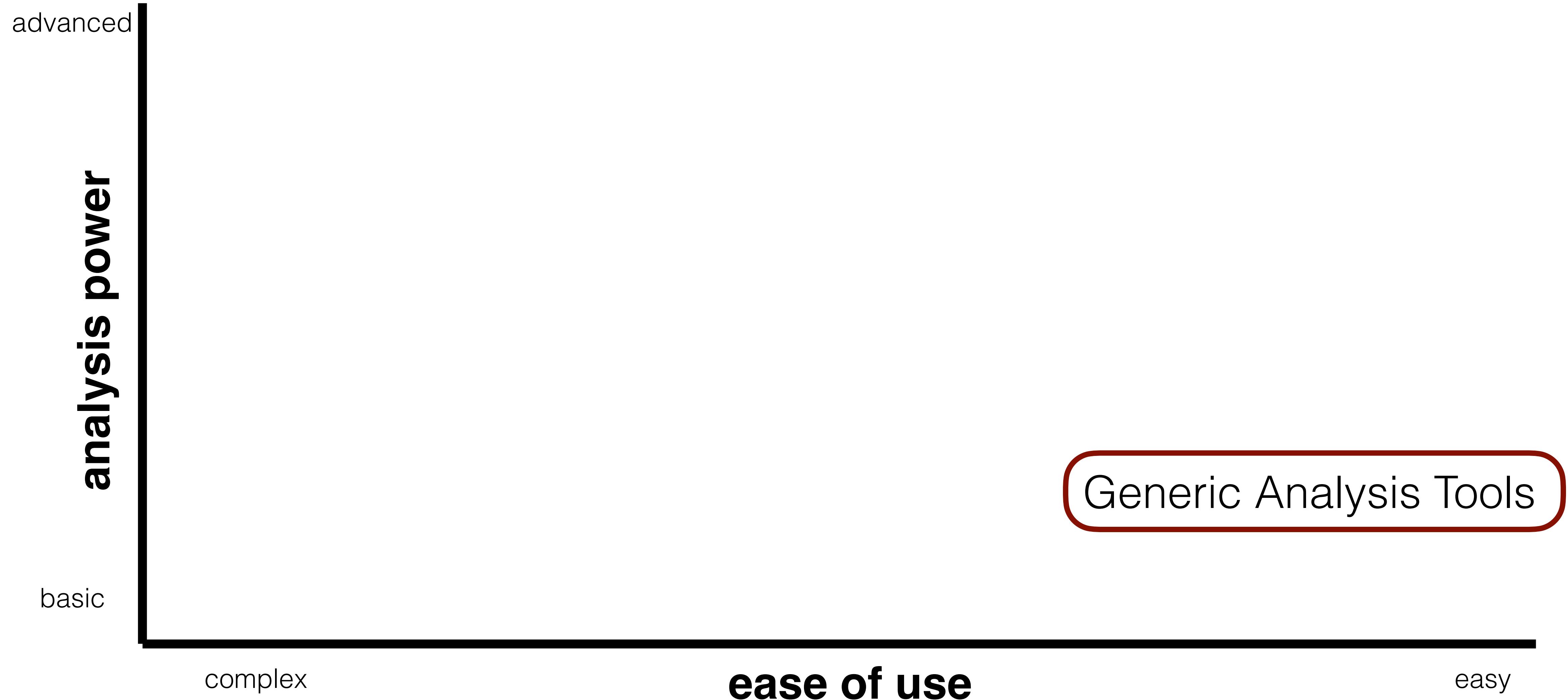
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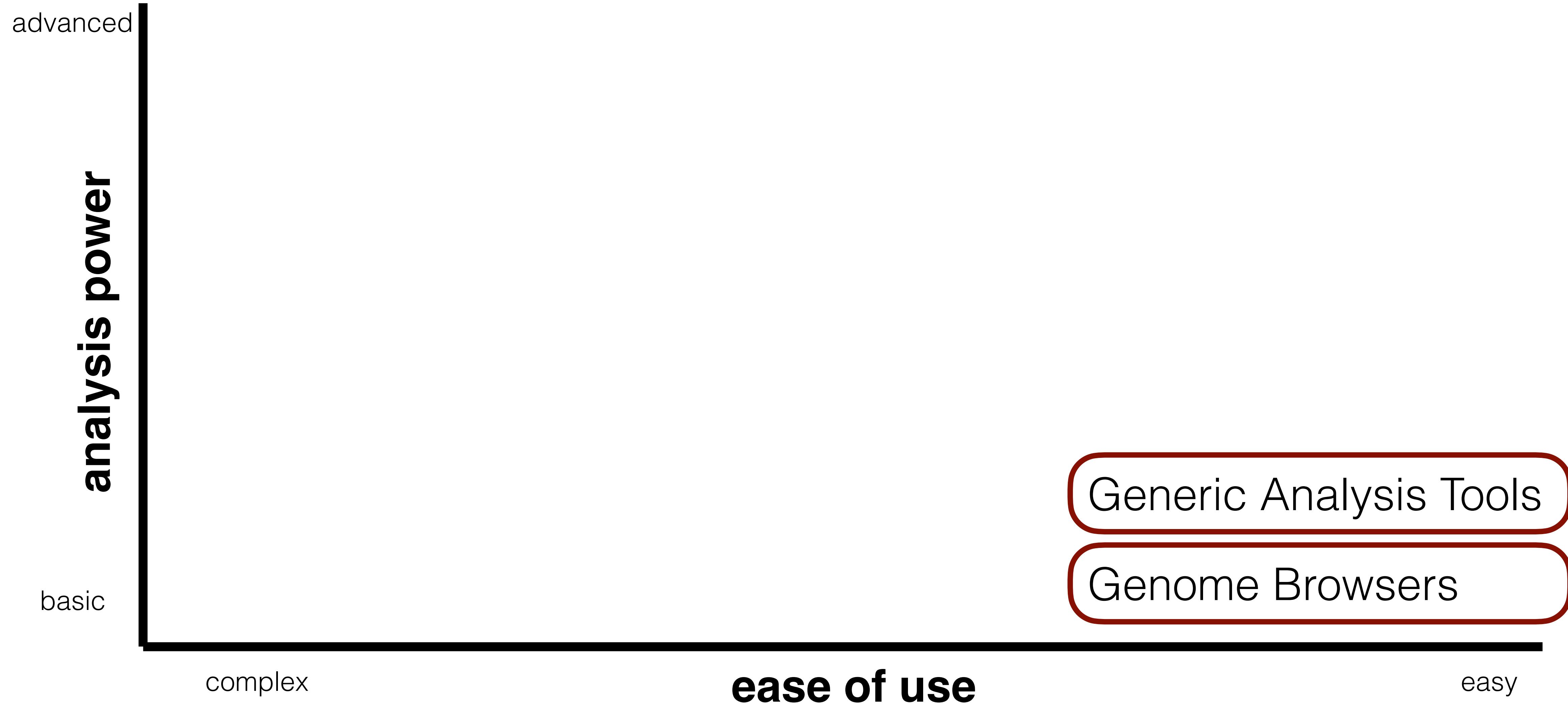
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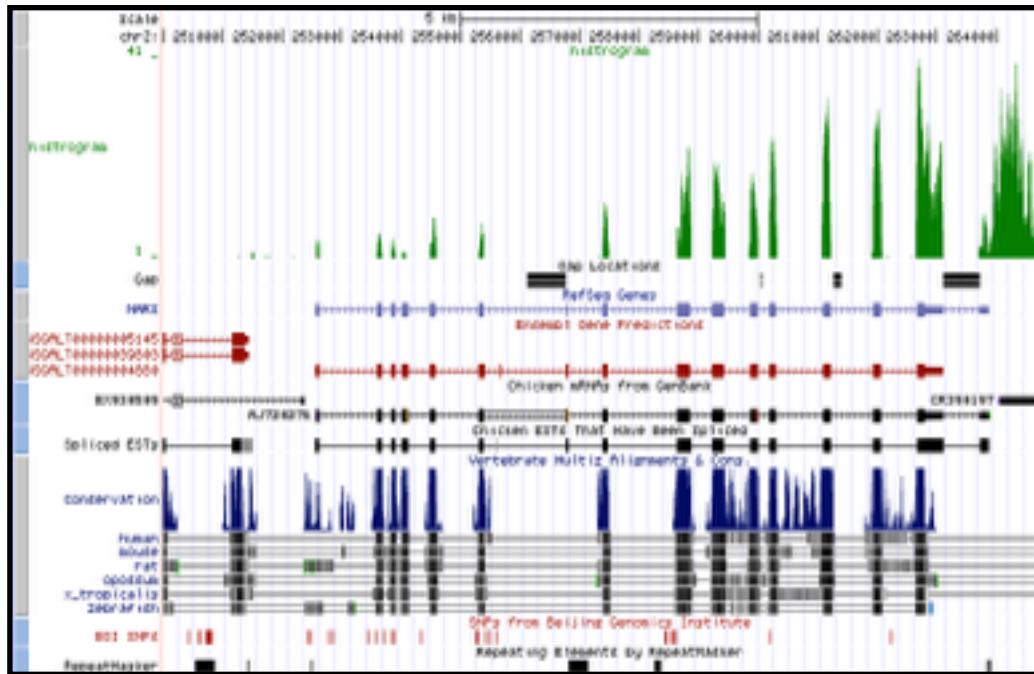


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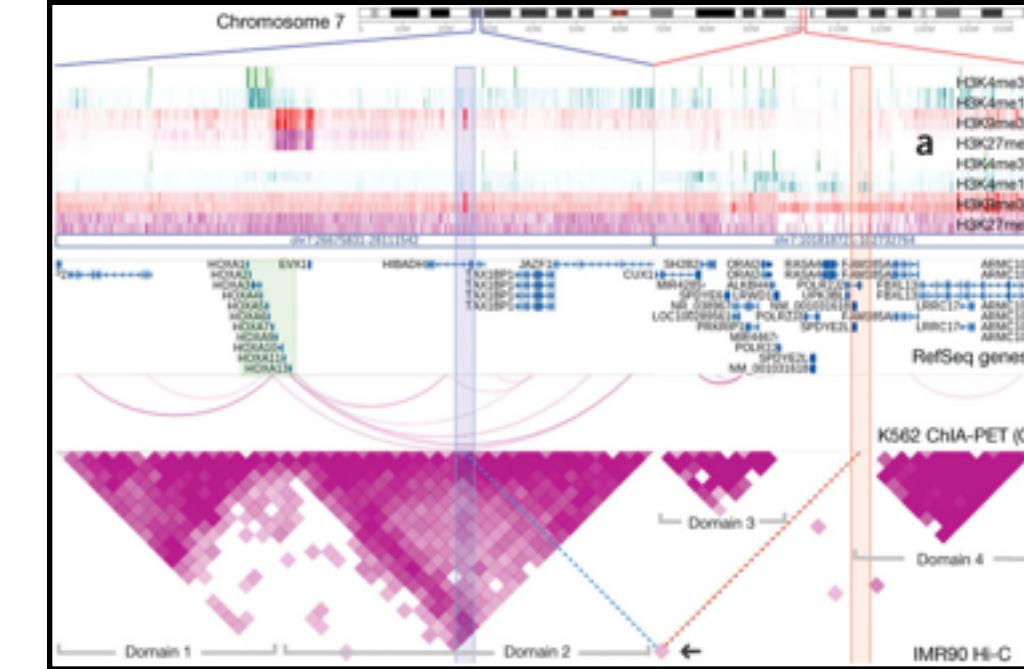


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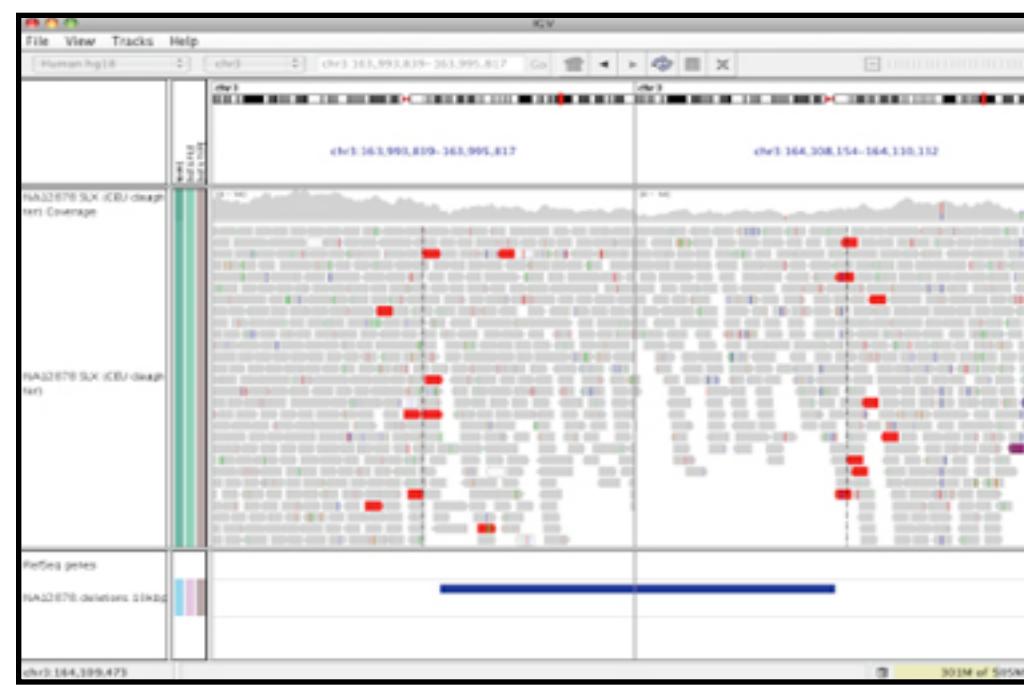


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Integrated Genome Viewer

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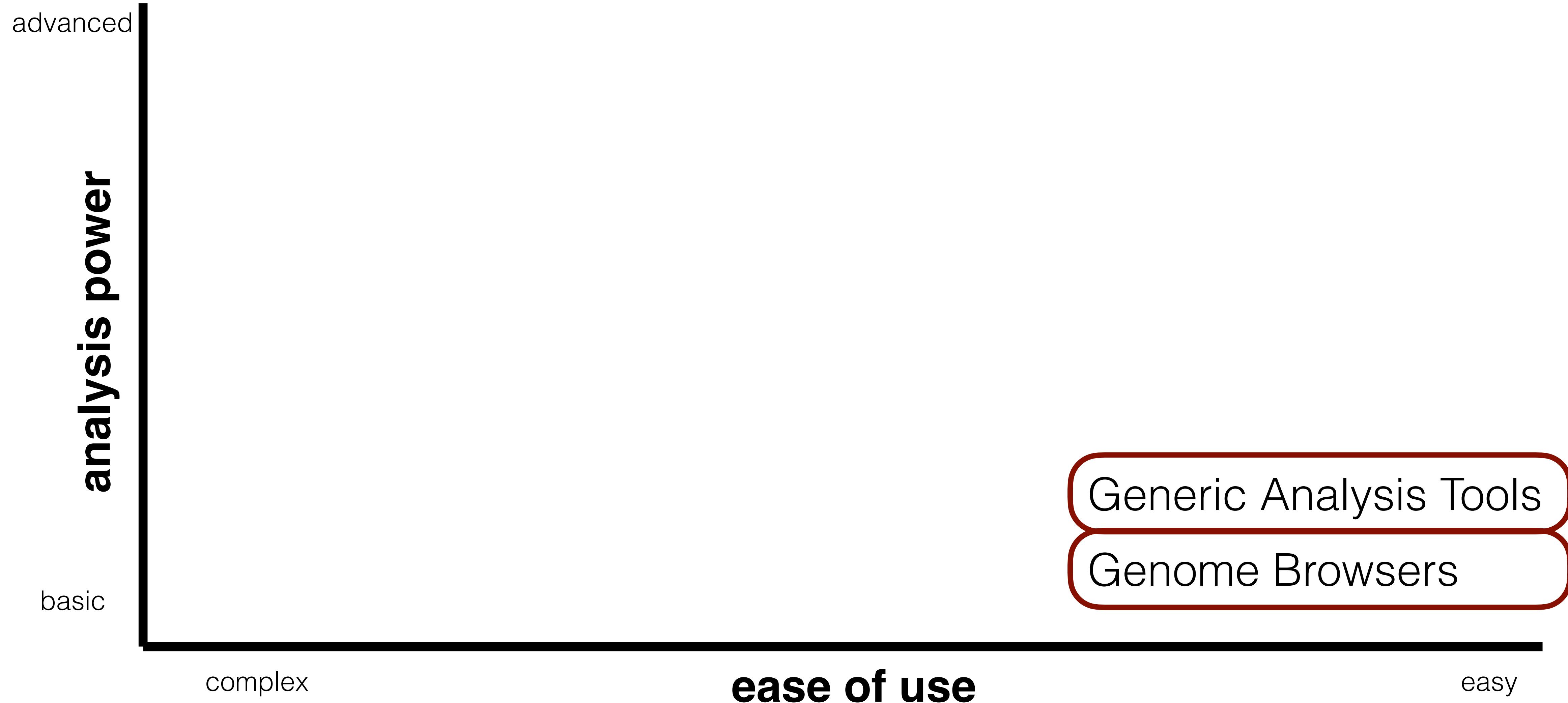
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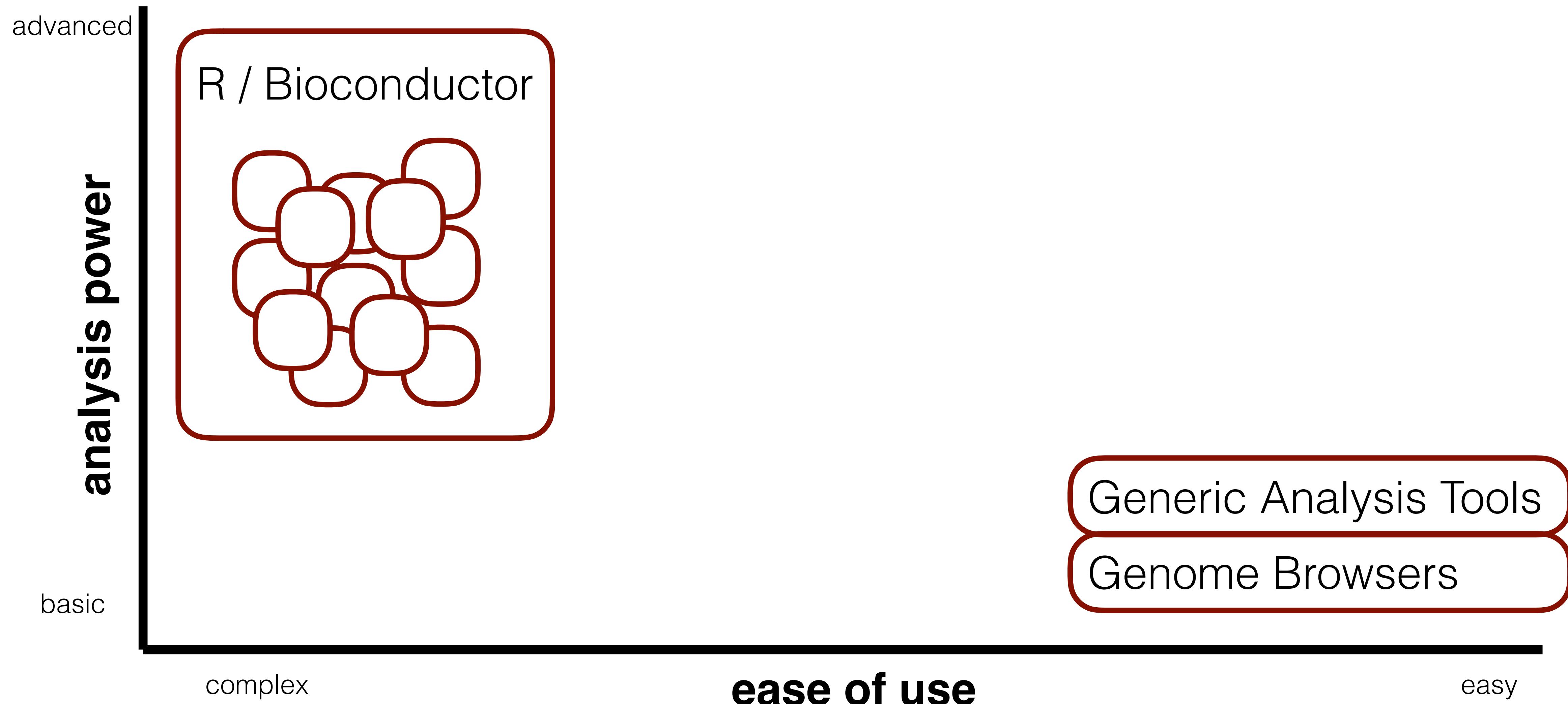
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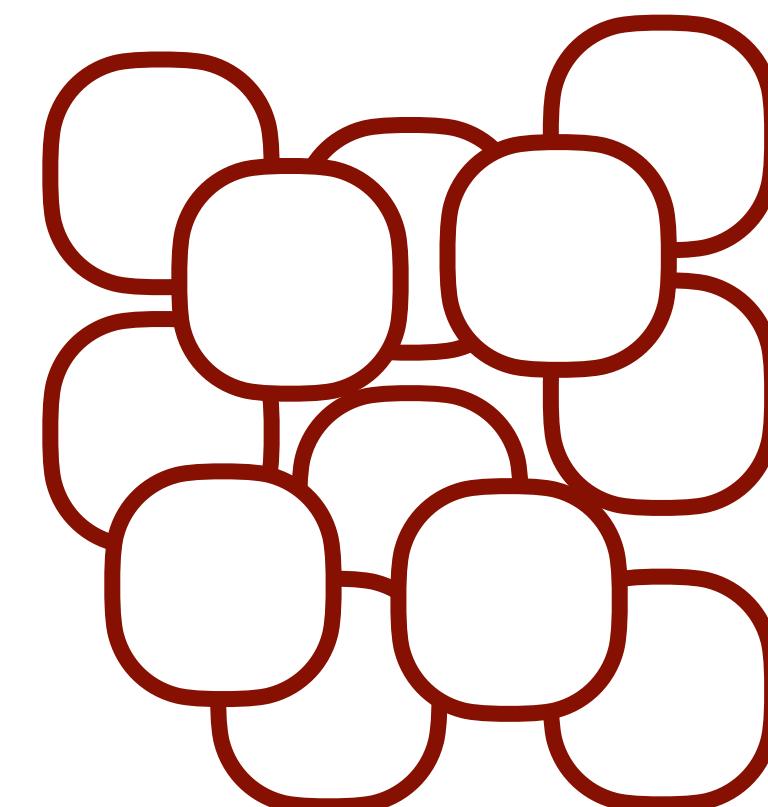
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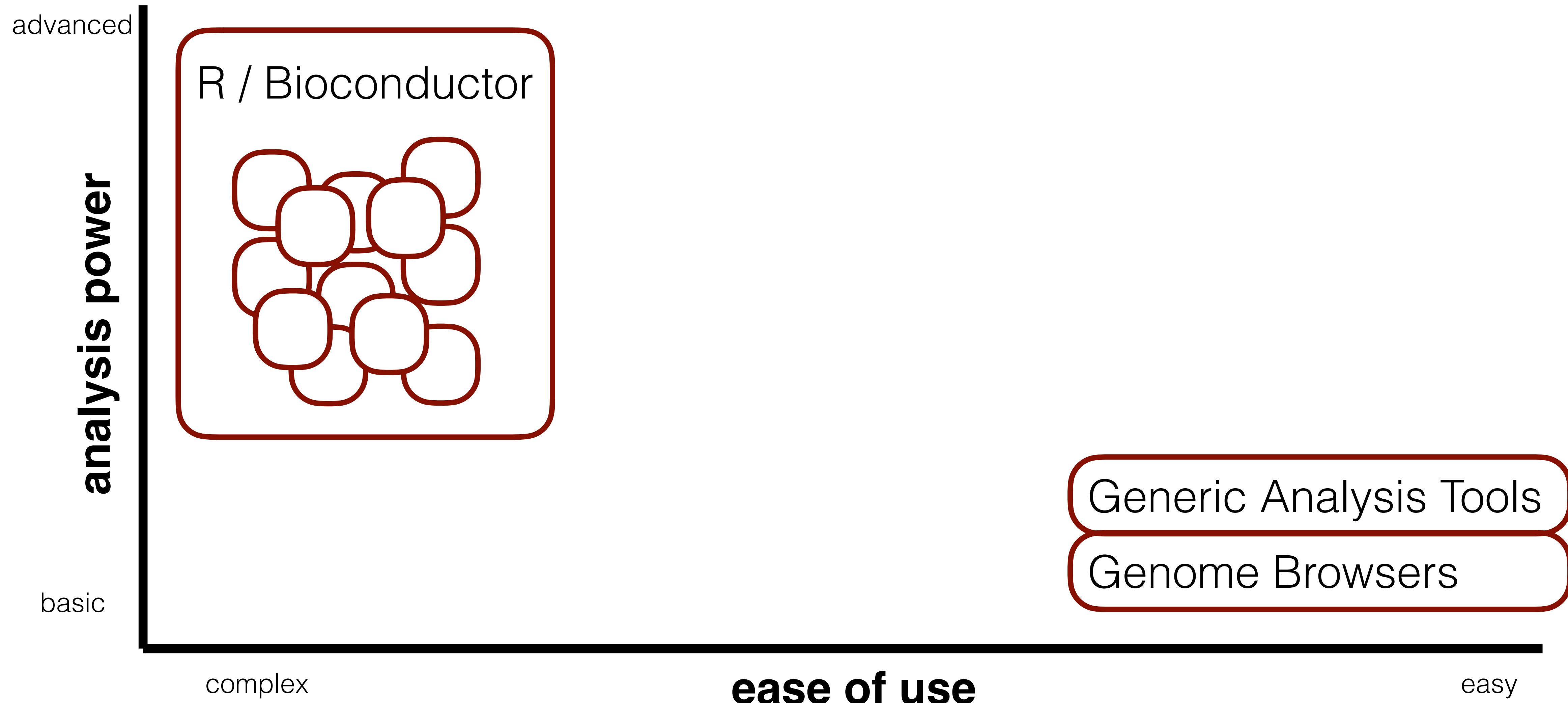
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AllelicImbalance	Jesper R. Gadin	Investigates allele specific expression
ampliQueso	Michał Okoniewski	Analysis of amplicon enrichment panels
AnnotationDbi	Bioconductor Package Maintainer	Annotation Database Interface
anota	Ola Larsson	ANalysis Of Translational Activity (ANOTA).
ArrayExpressHTS	Angela Goncalves, Andrew Tikhonov	ArrayExpress High Throughput Sequencing Processing Pipeline
BADER	Andreas Neudecker	Bayesian Analysis of Differential Expression in RNA Sequencing Data
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bamsignals	Alessandro Mammana	Extract read count signals from bam files

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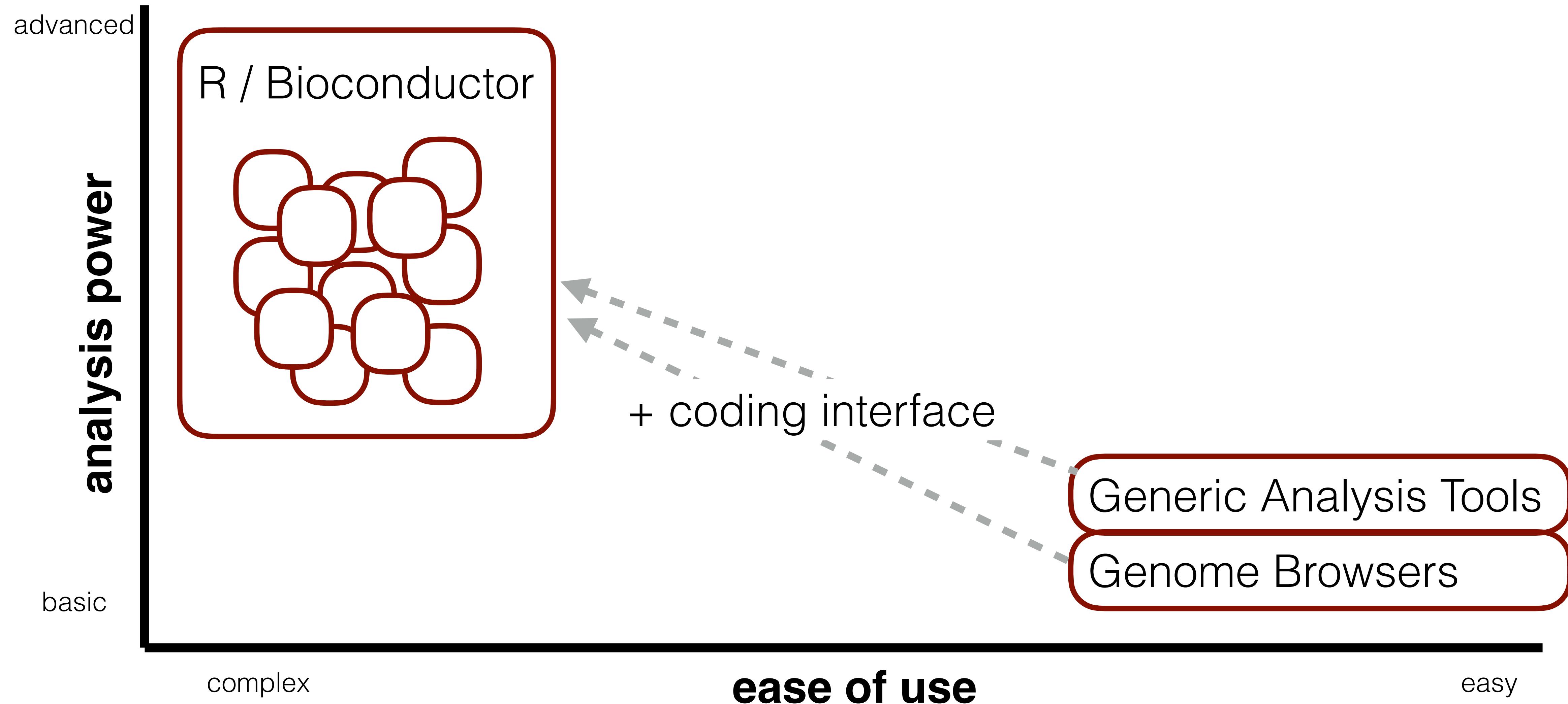
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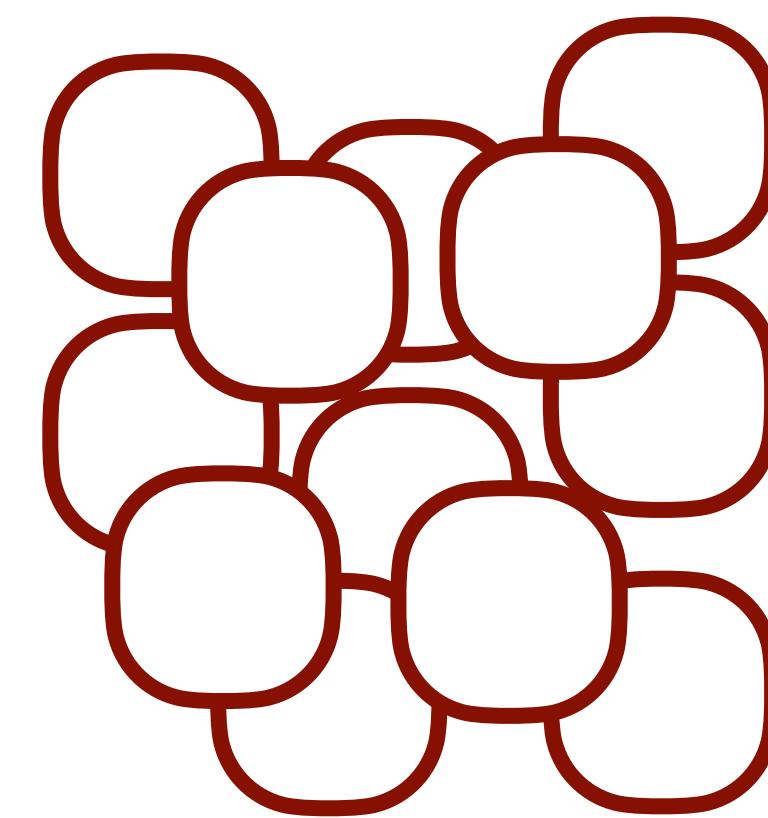
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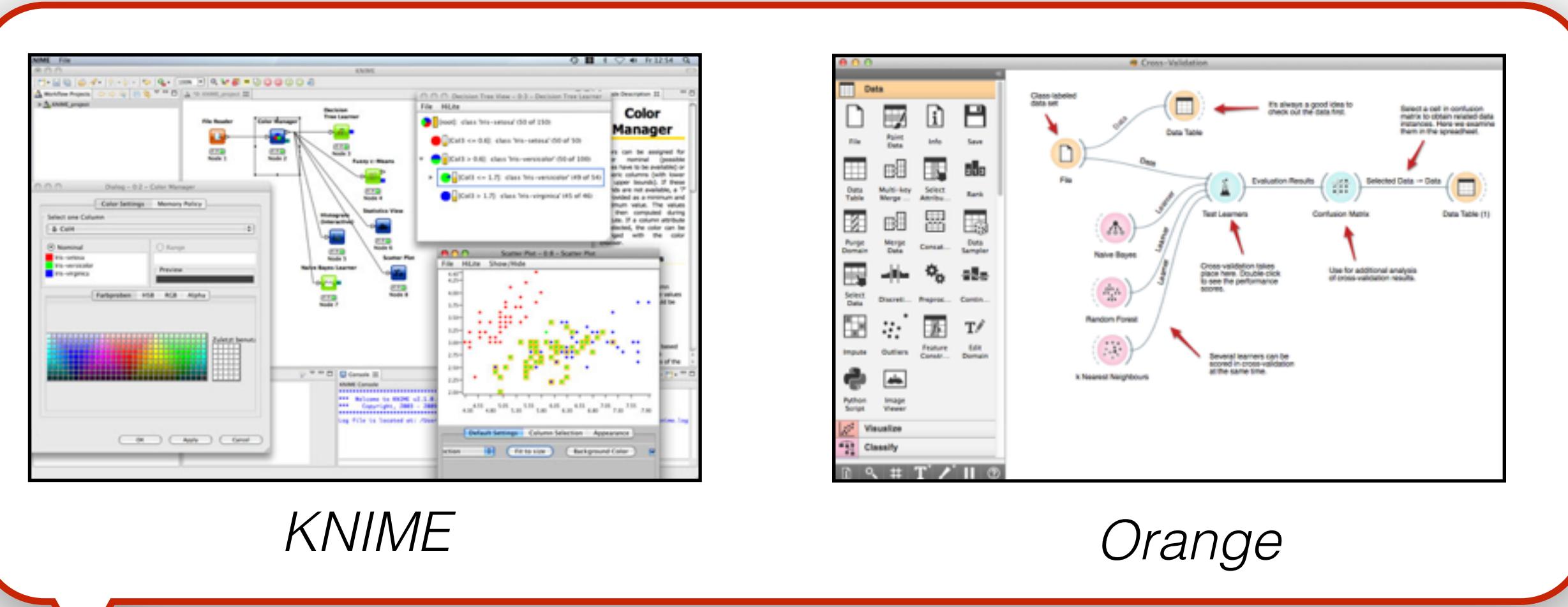
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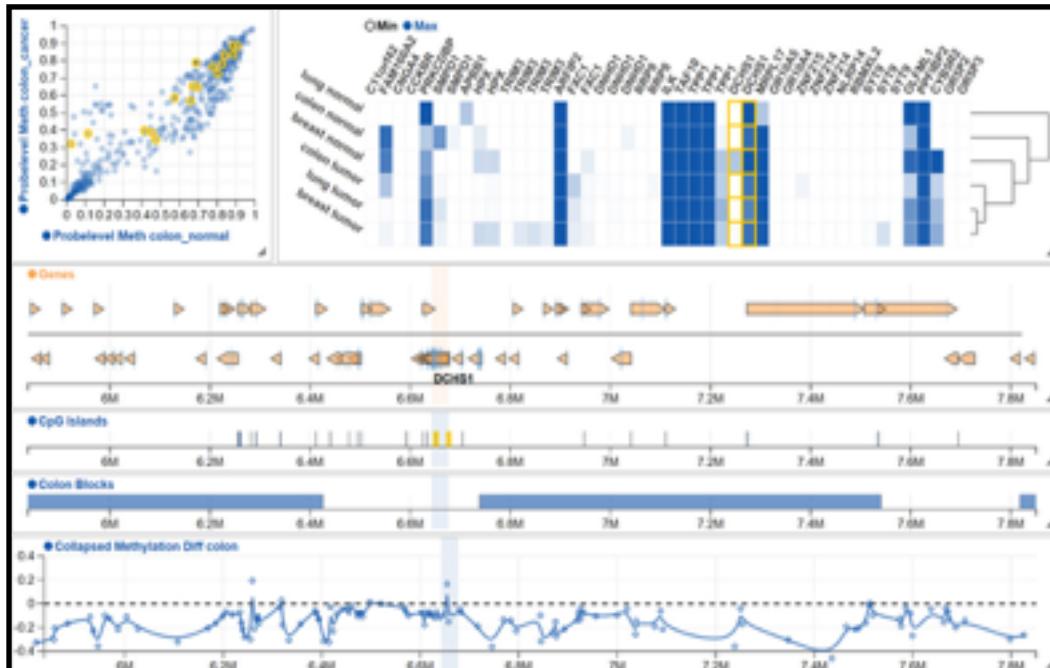
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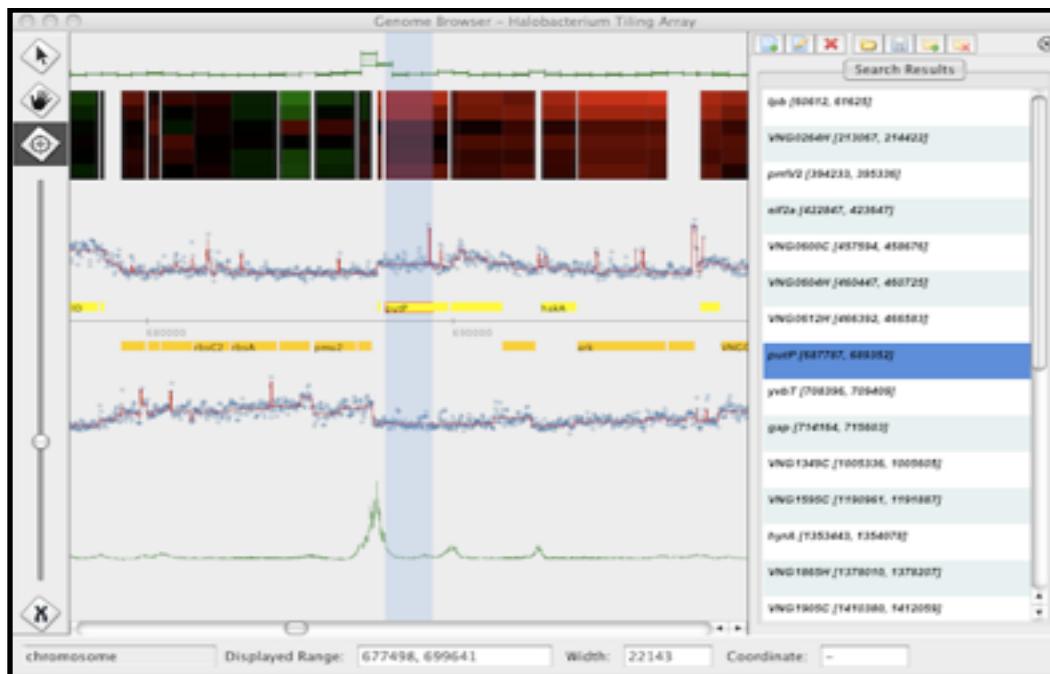
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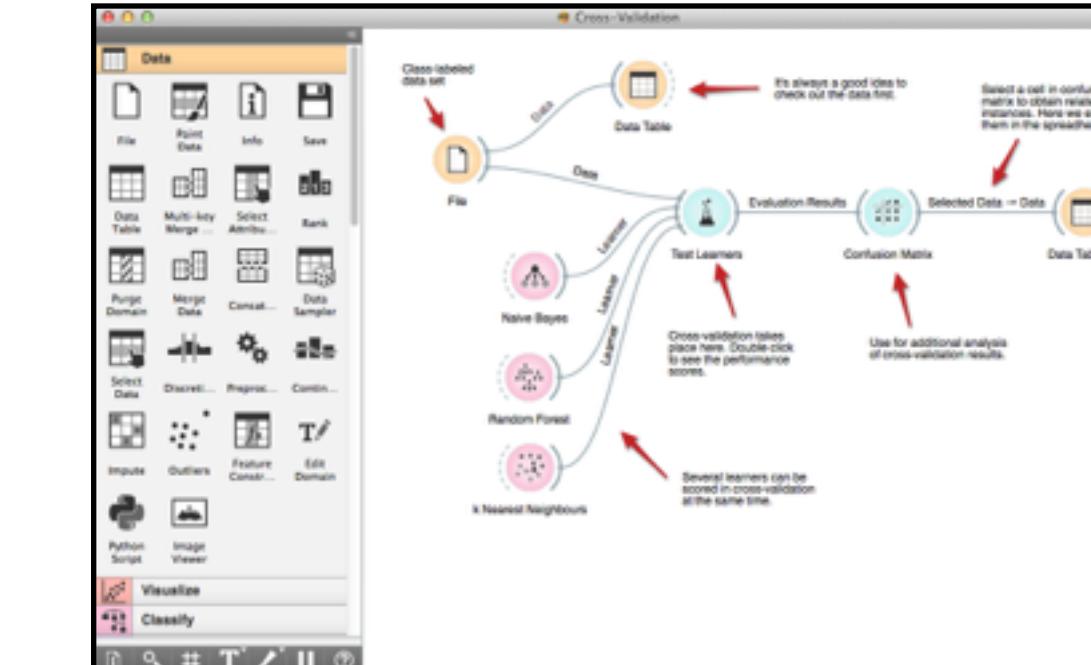
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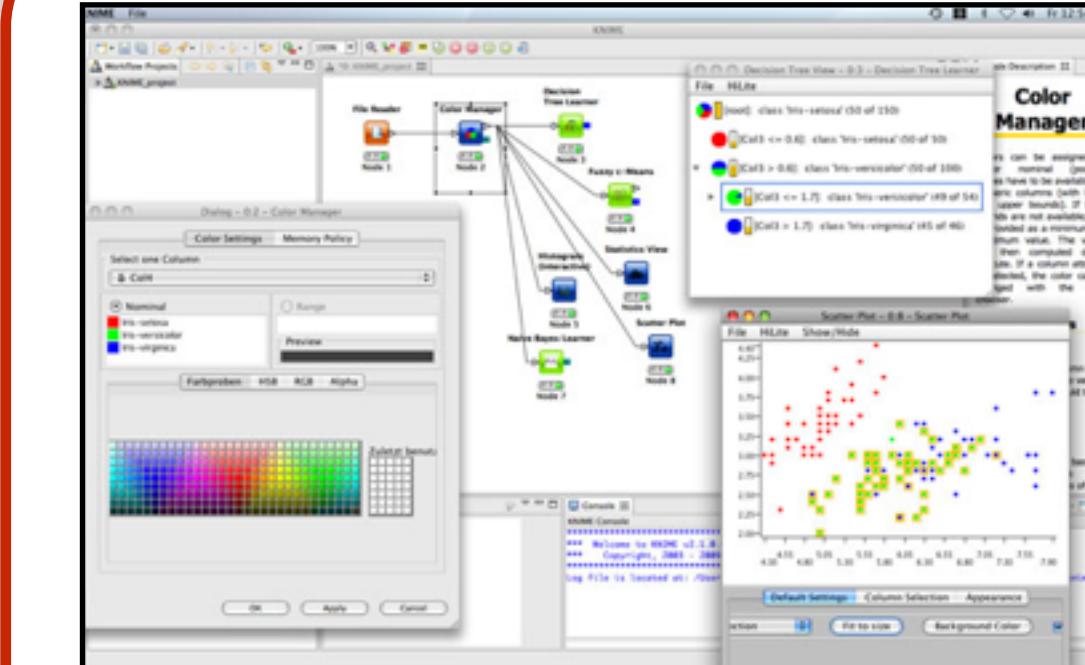
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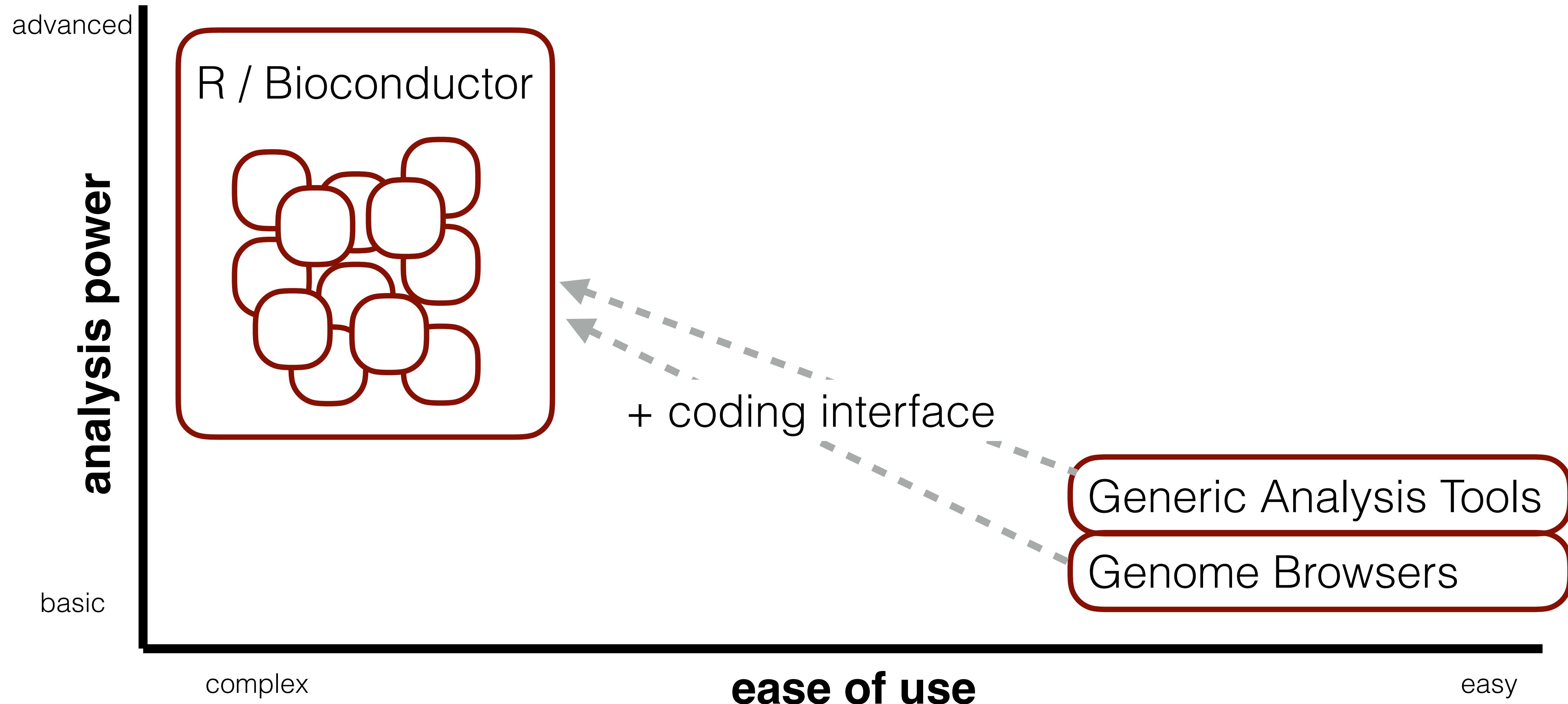


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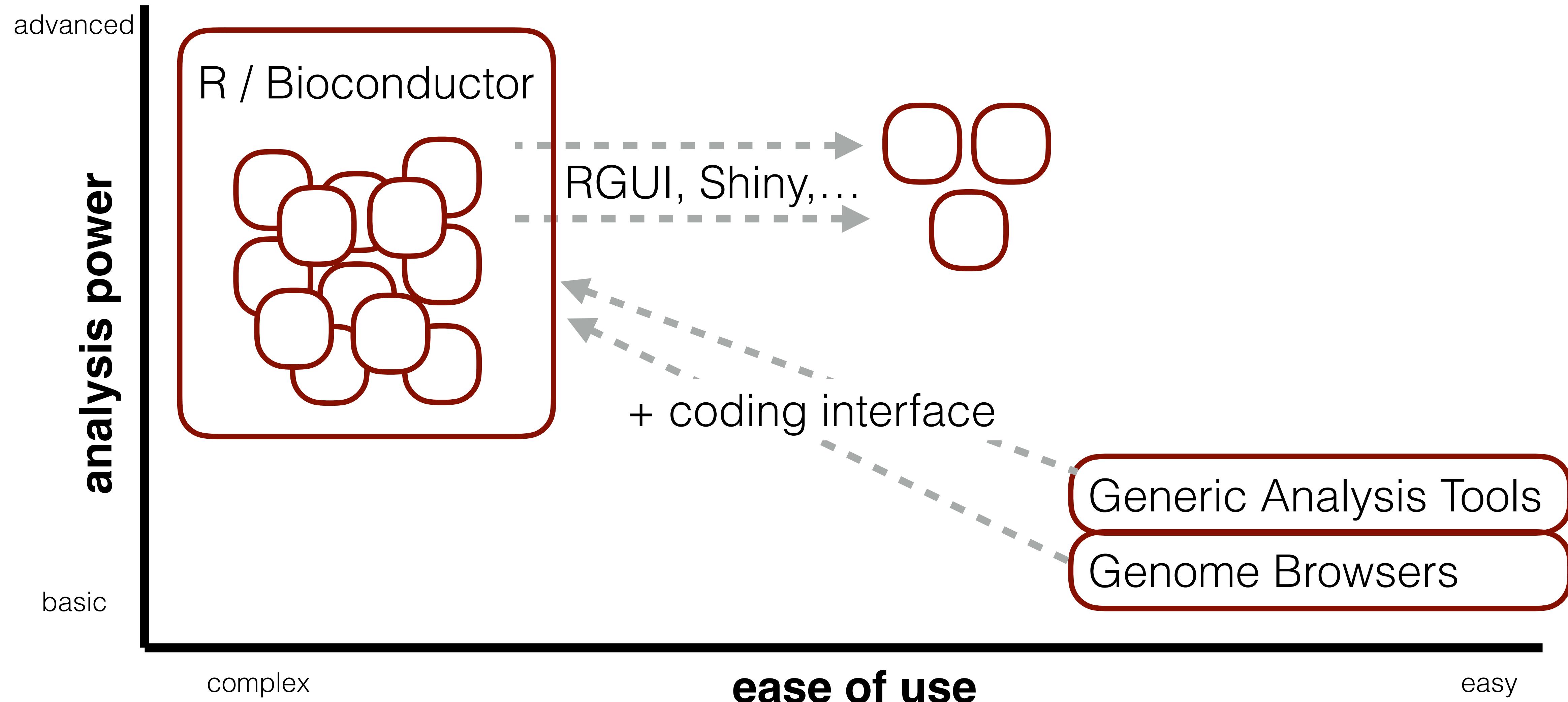
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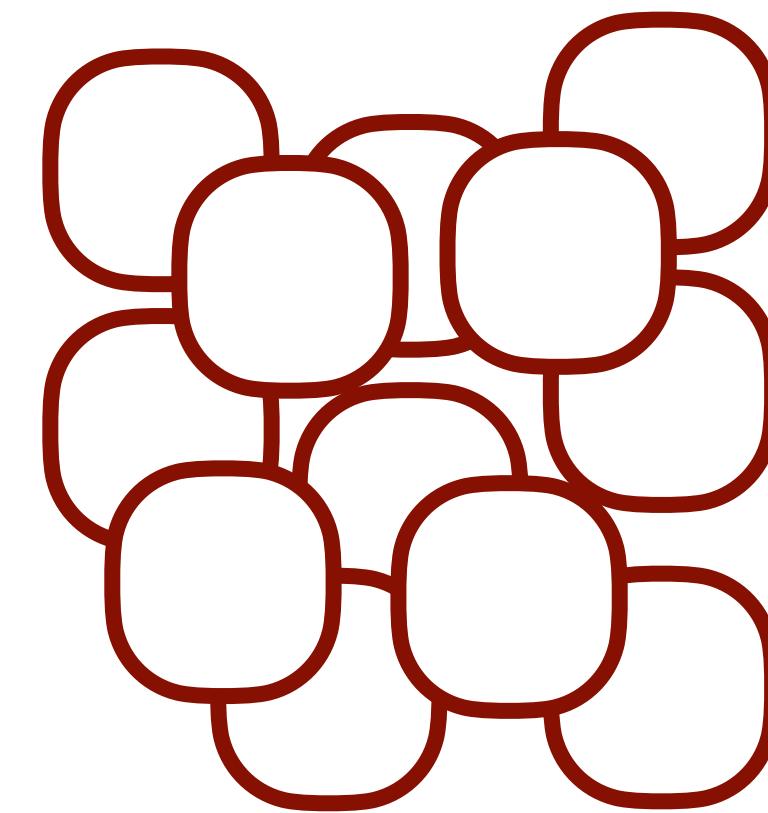


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RGUI, Shiny, ...

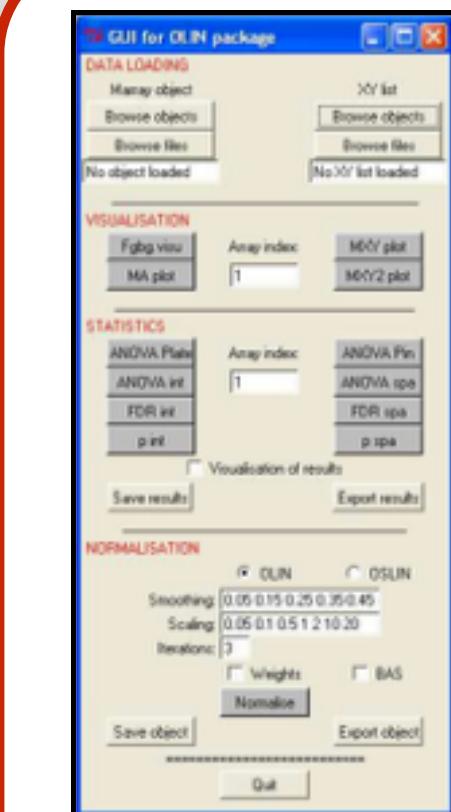
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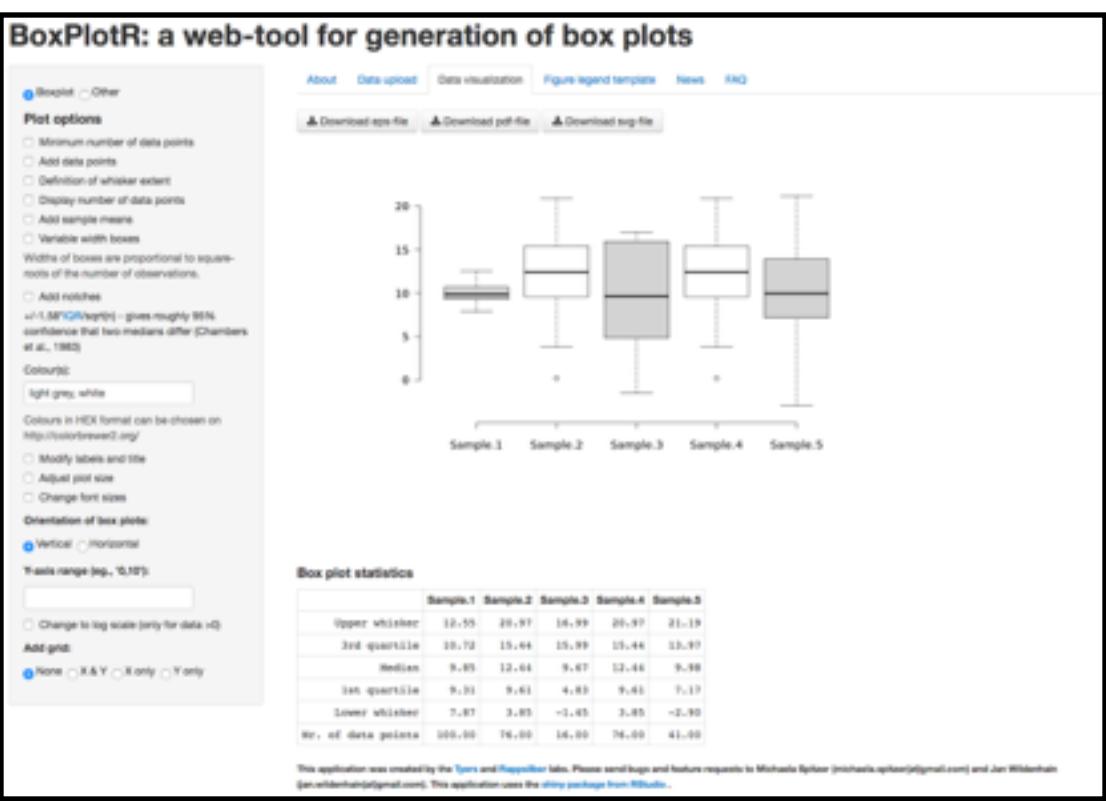
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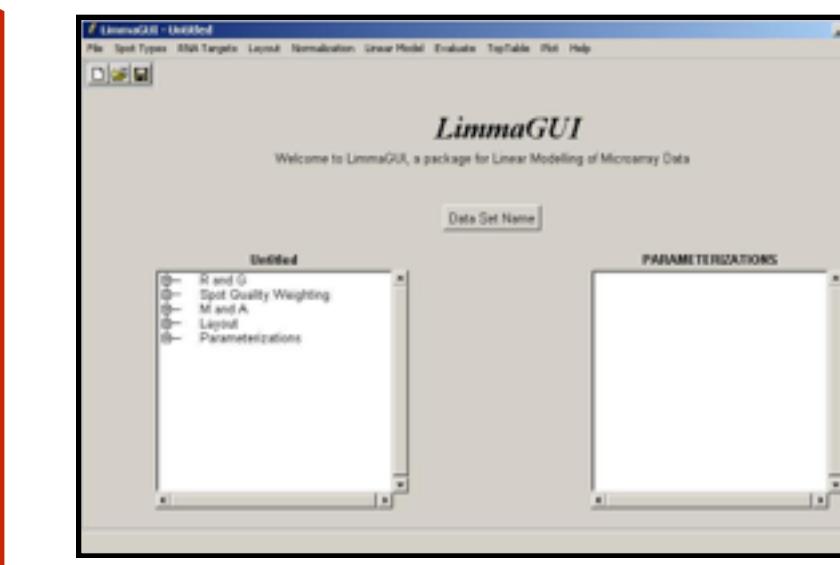
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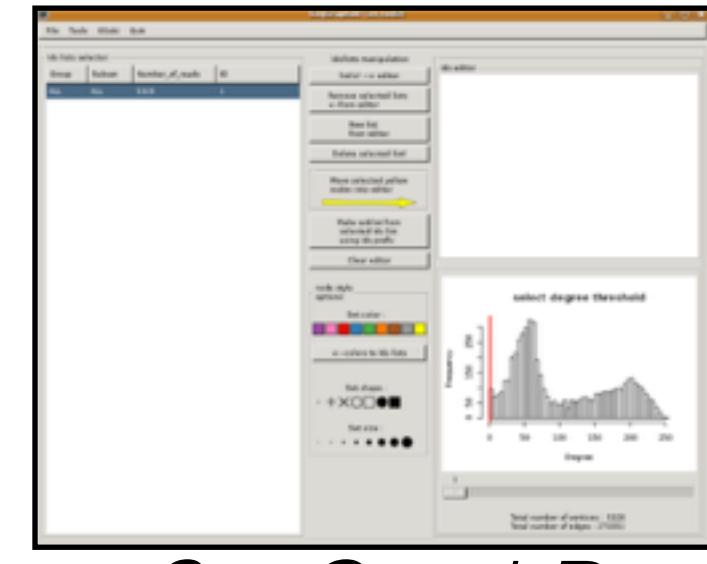
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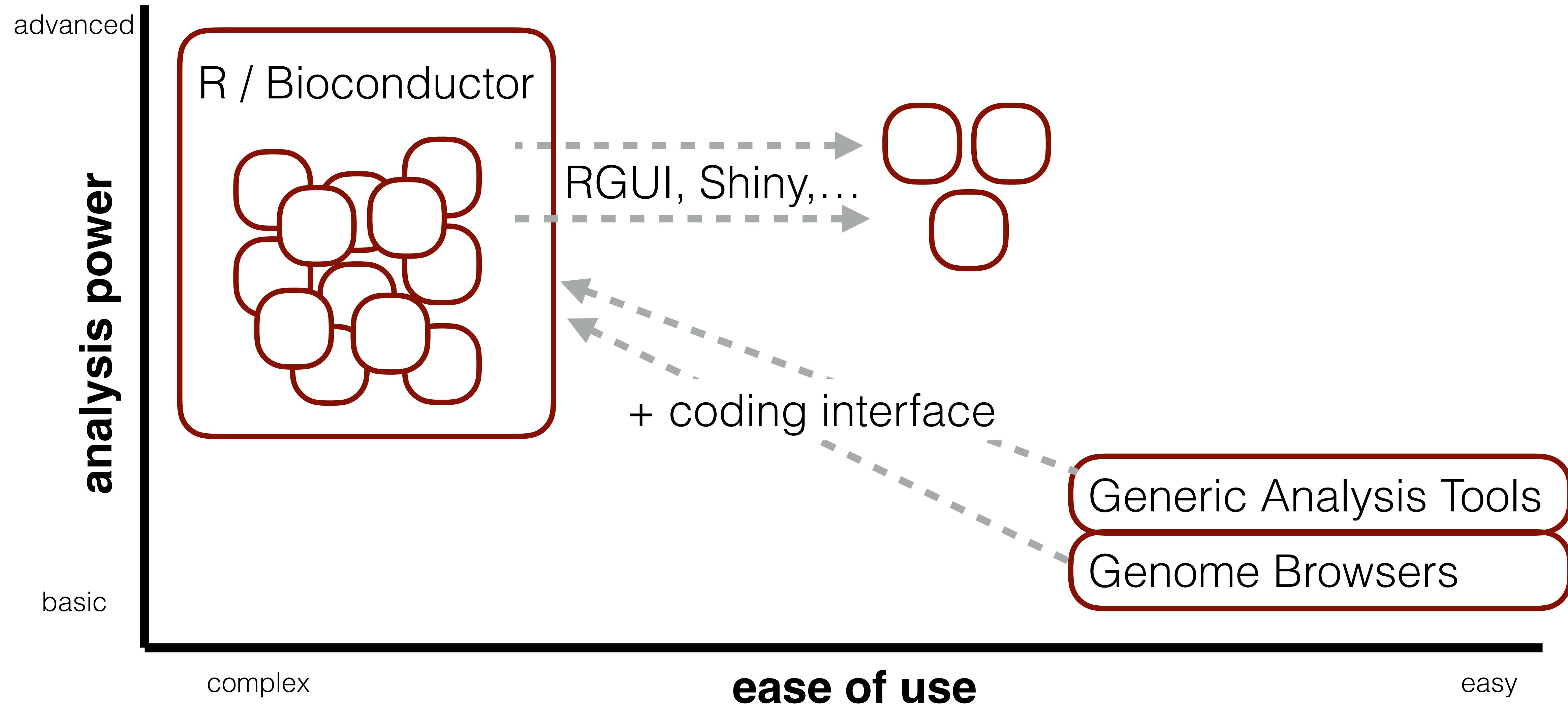


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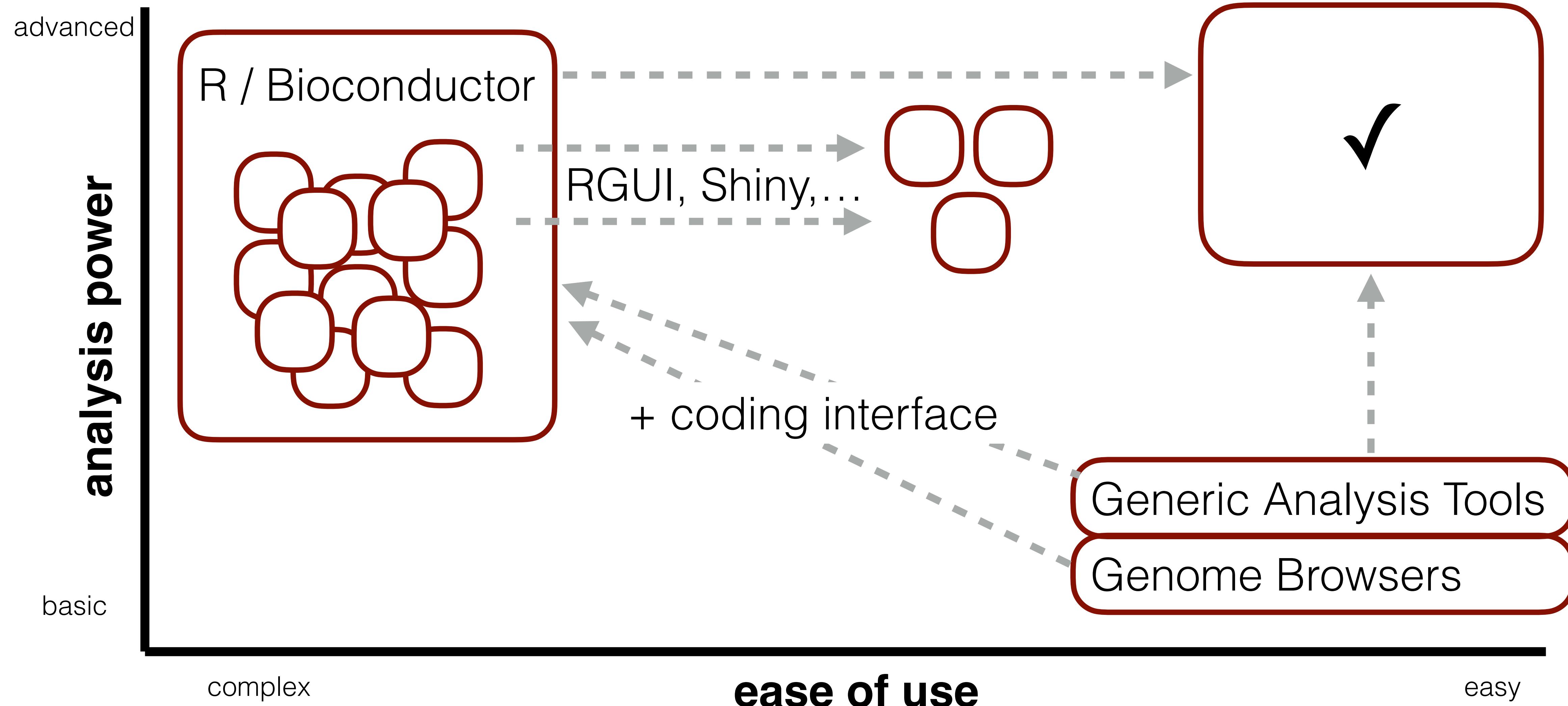
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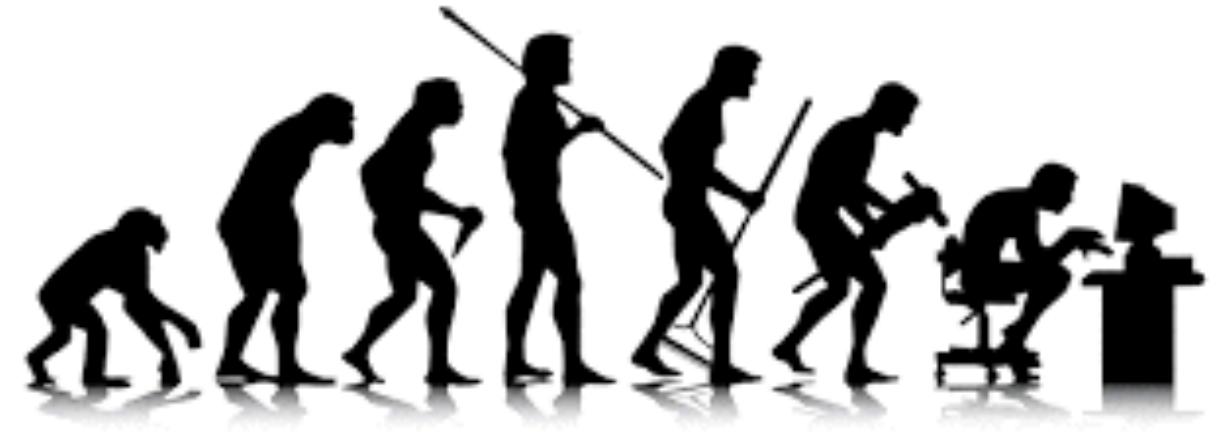


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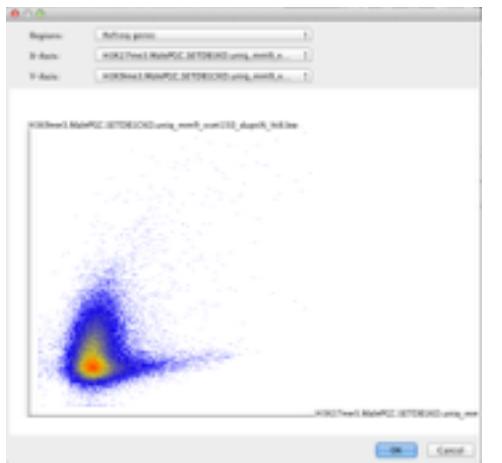
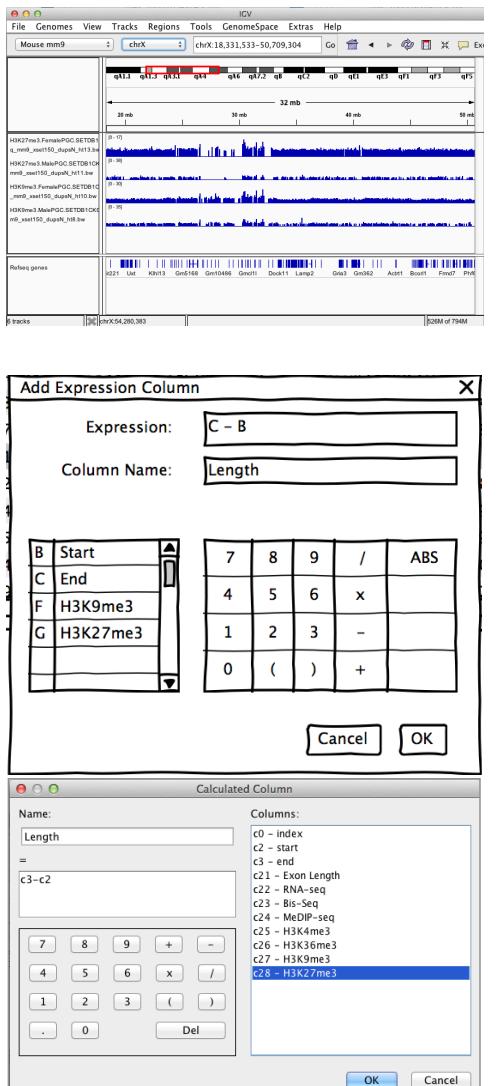
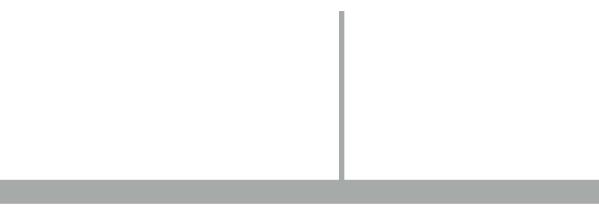
VisRseq

design evolution

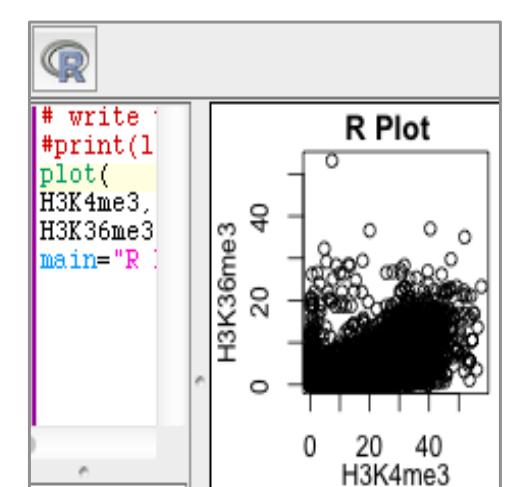


IGV plugin
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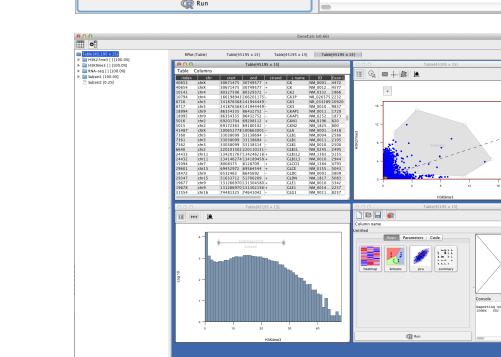
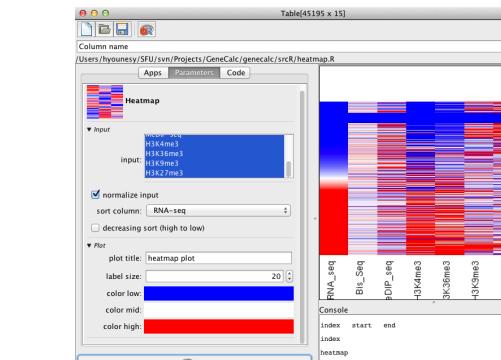
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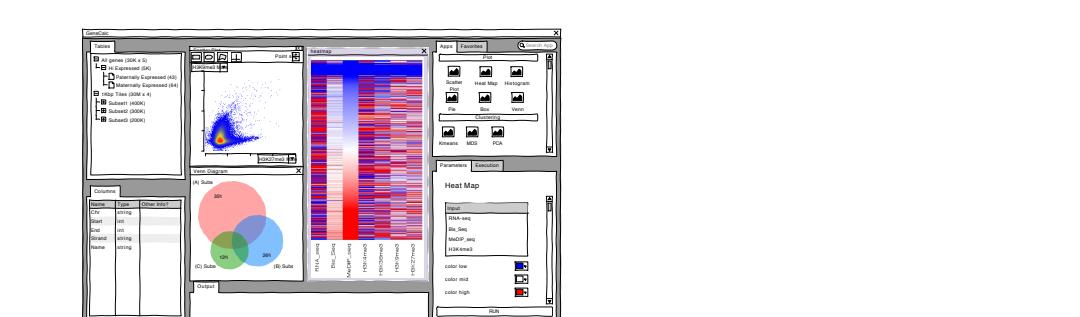
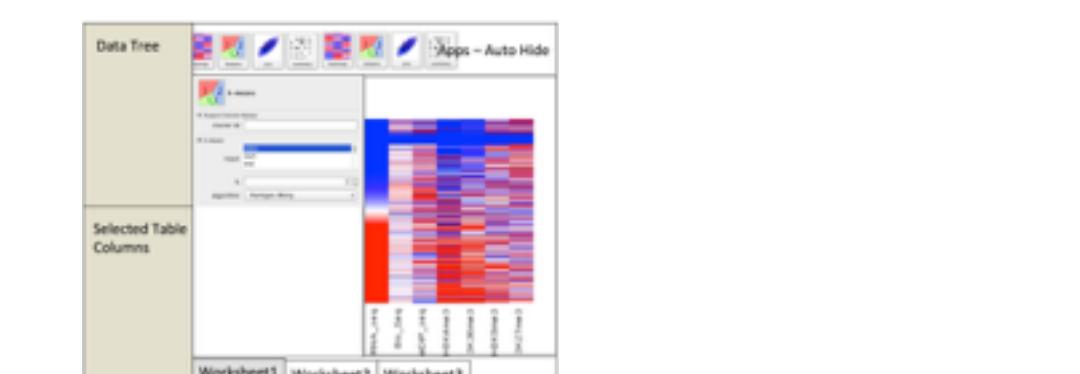
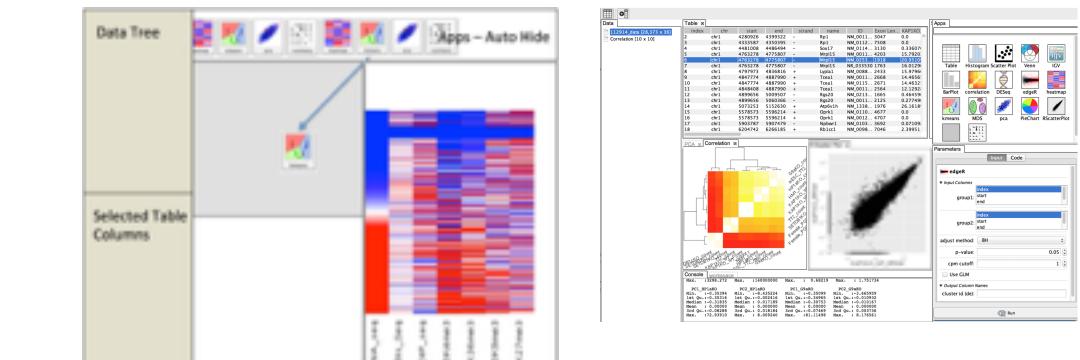
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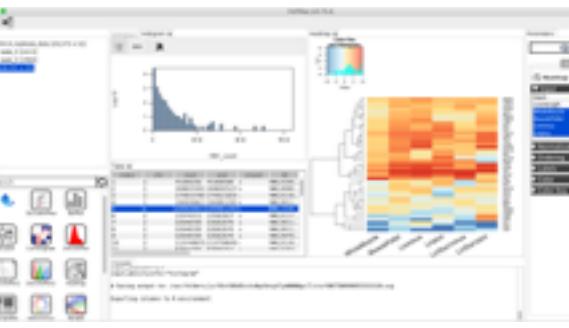
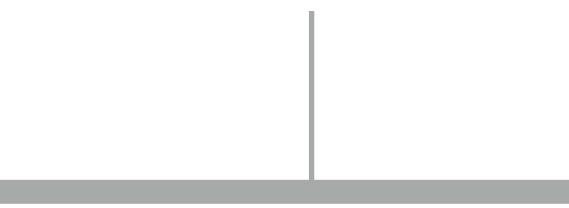
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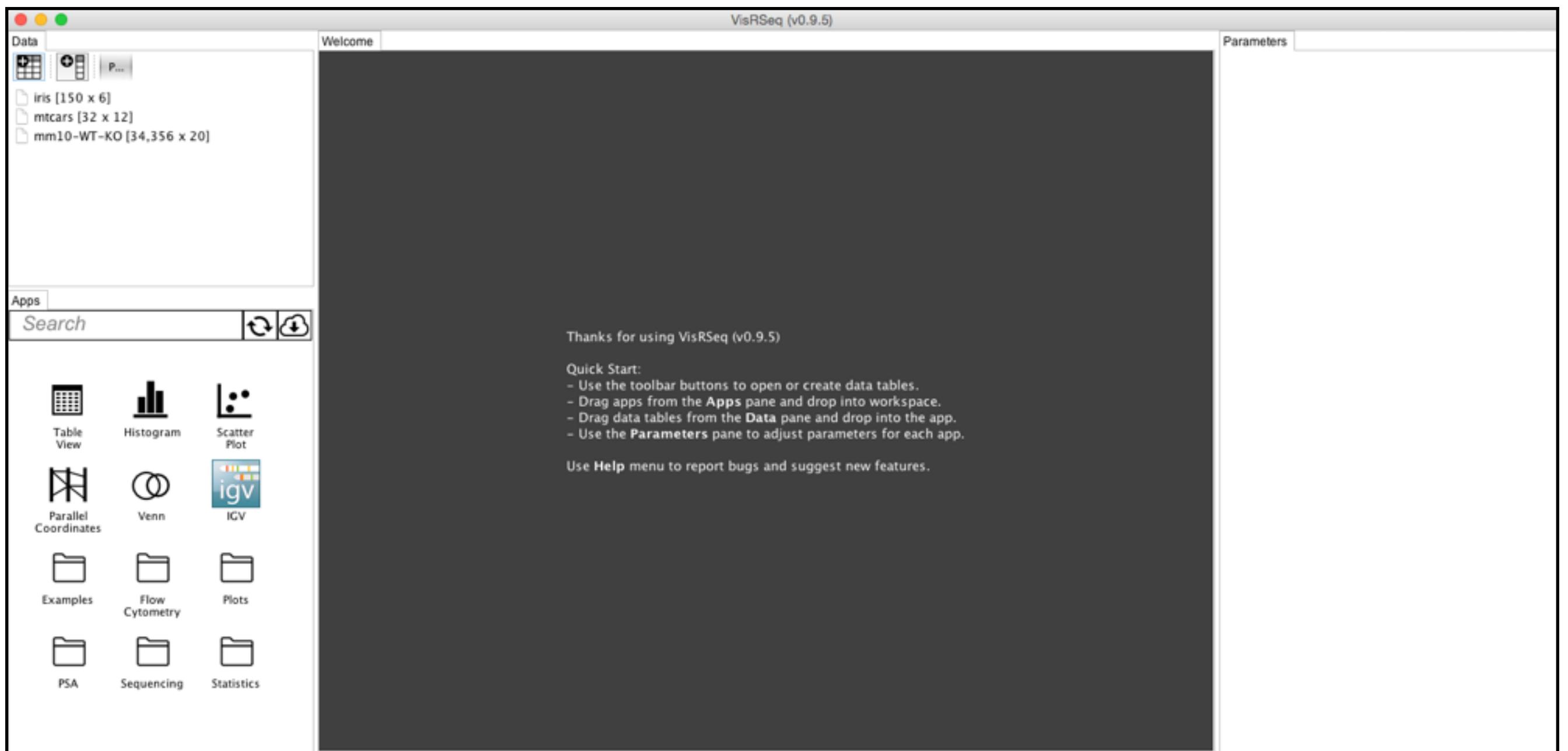


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open beta

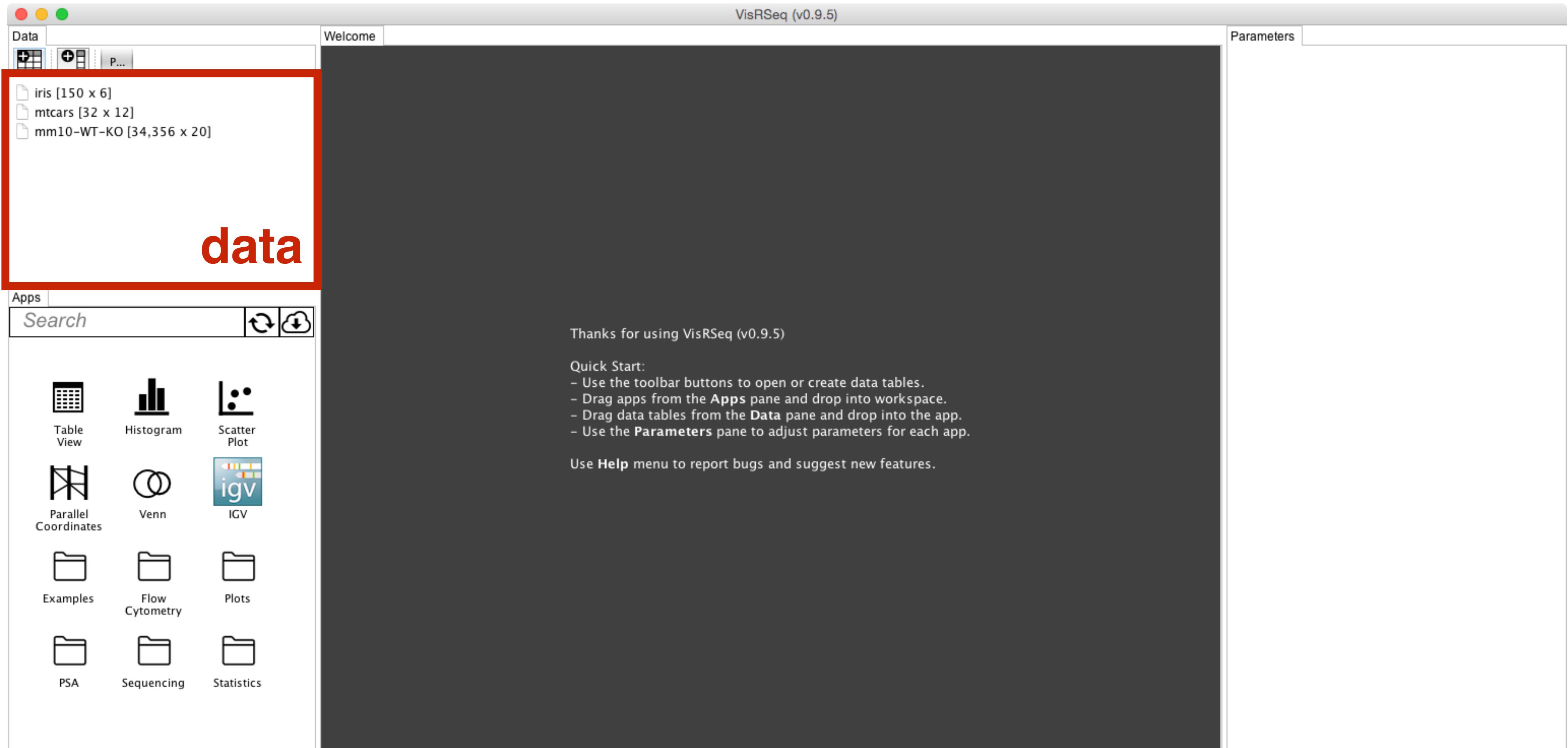


interface

- Installation Requirements:
 - Java SE 7
 - R
- Auto installs required packages
- Open Beta: <http://visrseq.github.io>



interface: data



interface: data

Tab delimited Text

The screenshot shows the VisRSeq (v0.9.5) software interface. On the left, there is a sidebar with various data analysis tools: Data (selected), Apps (Search, Table View, Histogram, Parallel Coordinates, Venn, Examples, Cyton, PSA, Sequen), and Calculated Column. The main workspace displays a tab-delimited text file named "iris.txt" with the first 14 rows of the Iris dataset. The columns are labeled A through E: Sepal.Length, Sepal.Width, Petal.Length, Petal.Width, and Species. The "Species" column contains values for setosa. Below the table, there is a note about using the Apps pane to open or create data tables. In the bottom right corner, a "Calculated Column" dialog box is open, showing a "New Column Name" field with "zscore", a "Numerical Columns" list with several RNA-seq and ChIP-seq variables, and a formula editor with the equation "ZSCORE(c26, c27)". A numeric keypad and a function library are also visible in the dialog.

interface: data

Tab delimited Text

iris.txt

	A	B	C	D	E
1	Sepal.Length	Sepal.Width	Petal.Length	Petal.Width	Species
2	5.1	3.5	1.4	0.2	setosa
3	4.9	3	1.4	0.2	setosa
4	4.7	3.2	1.3	0.2	setosa
5	4.6	3.1	1.5	0.2	setosa
6	5	3.6	1.4	0.2	setosa
7	5.4	3.9	1.7	0.4	setosa
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13	4.8	3.4	1.6	0.2	setosa
14	4.8	3	1.4	0.1	setosa

.BAM, .WIG

Add Data Column

Select Data:

Name	Type
Rat_Oocyte_2_S4_001.bam	BAM
Rat_Oocyte_1_S3_001.bam	BAM

Column Name: []

Regions

Exons

Range: Start: Region Start + 0 bp
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Number of Bins: [] 1

Alignment Track Options

Remove Duplicate Reads

Minimum Read Quality: [] 1

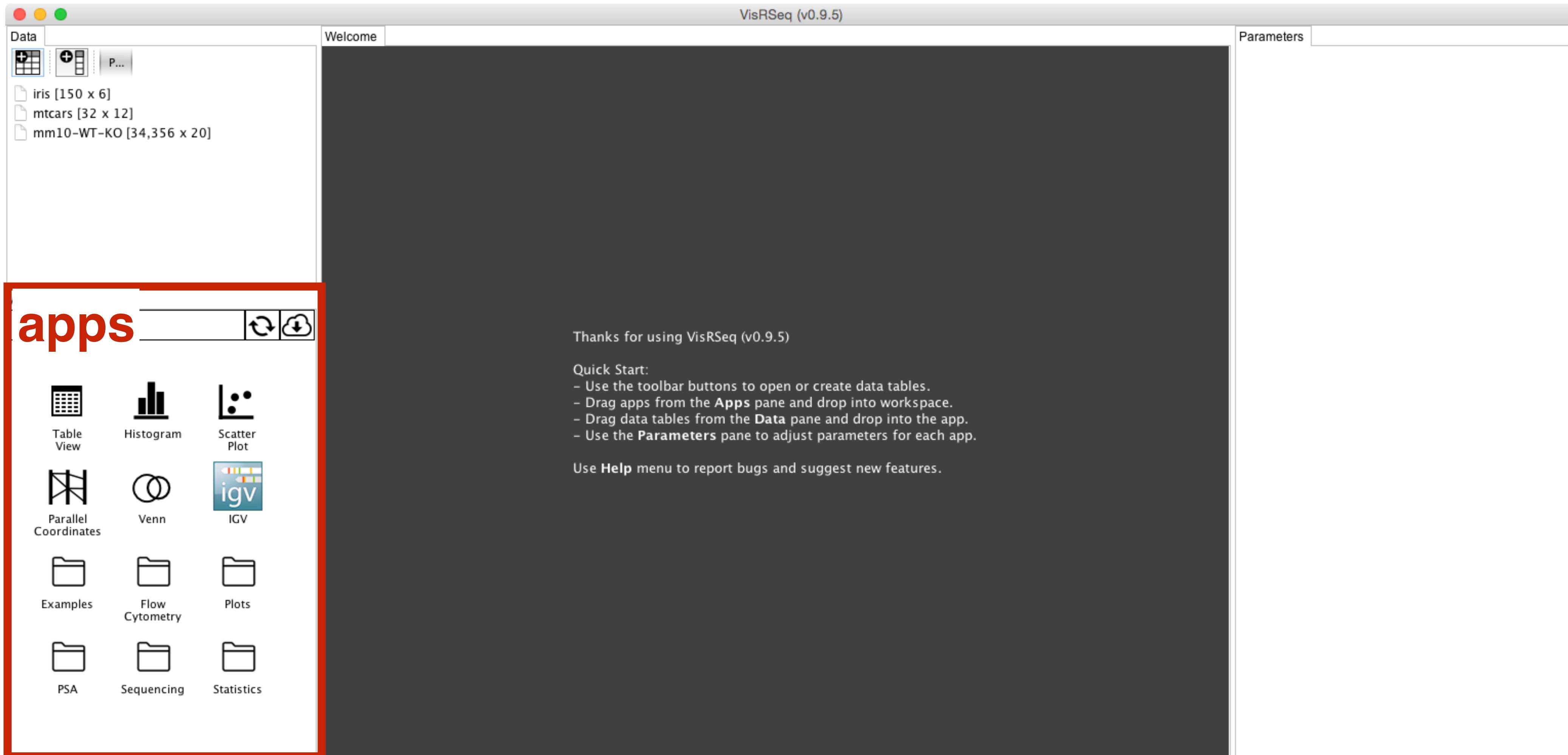
Output

RPKM Normalized by: total reads Tracks: Gene

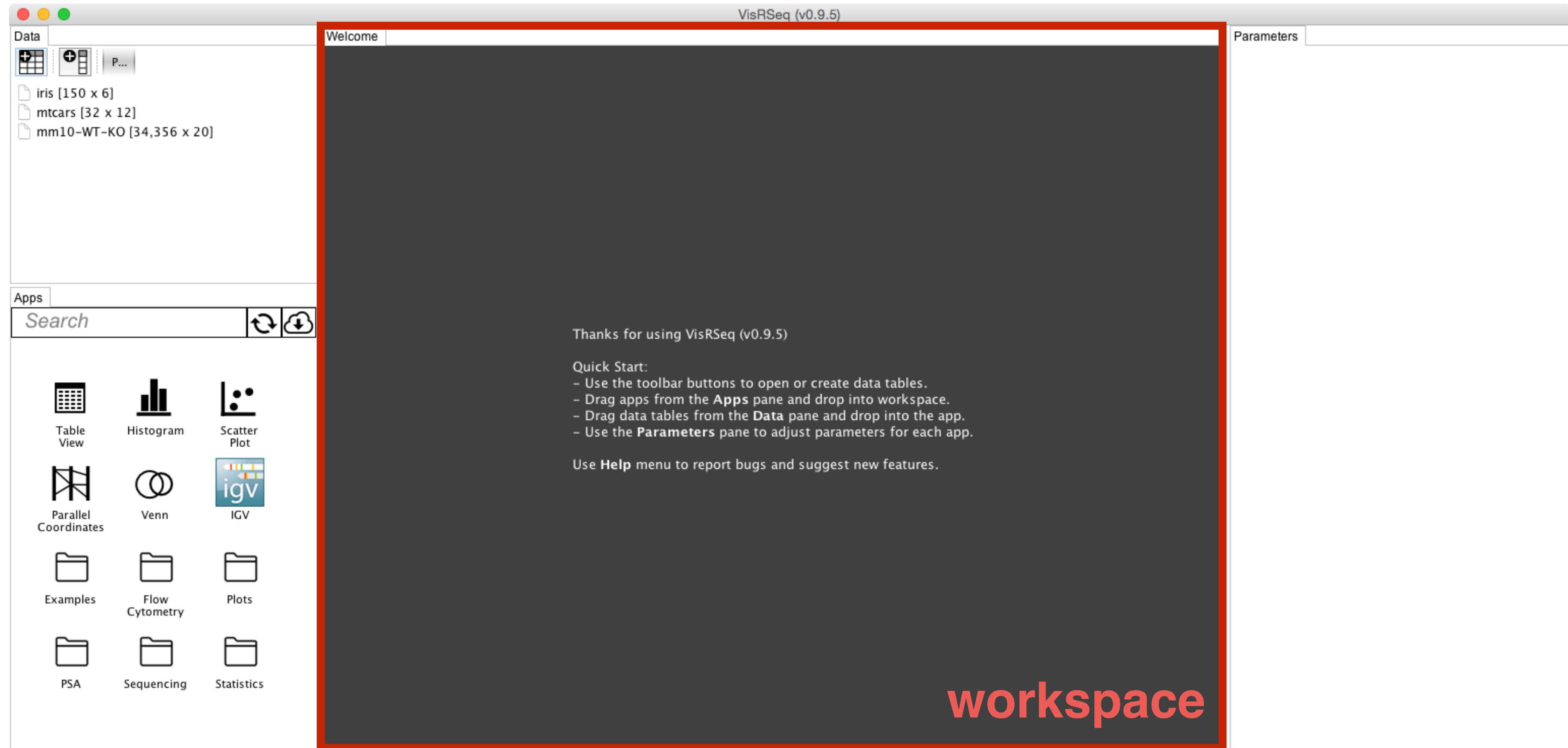
Read Count Read Length for BW tracks: 100

OK Cancel

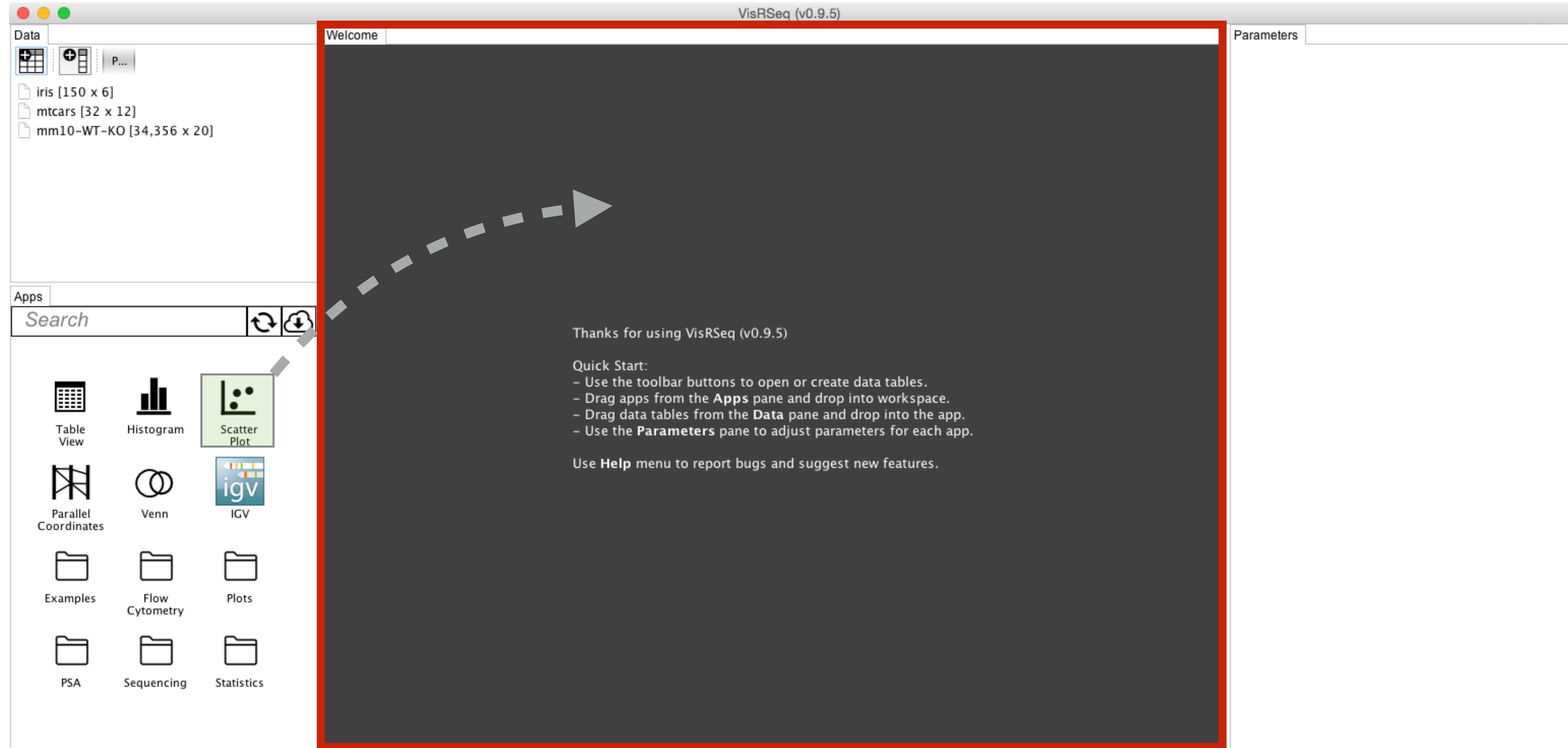
interface: apps



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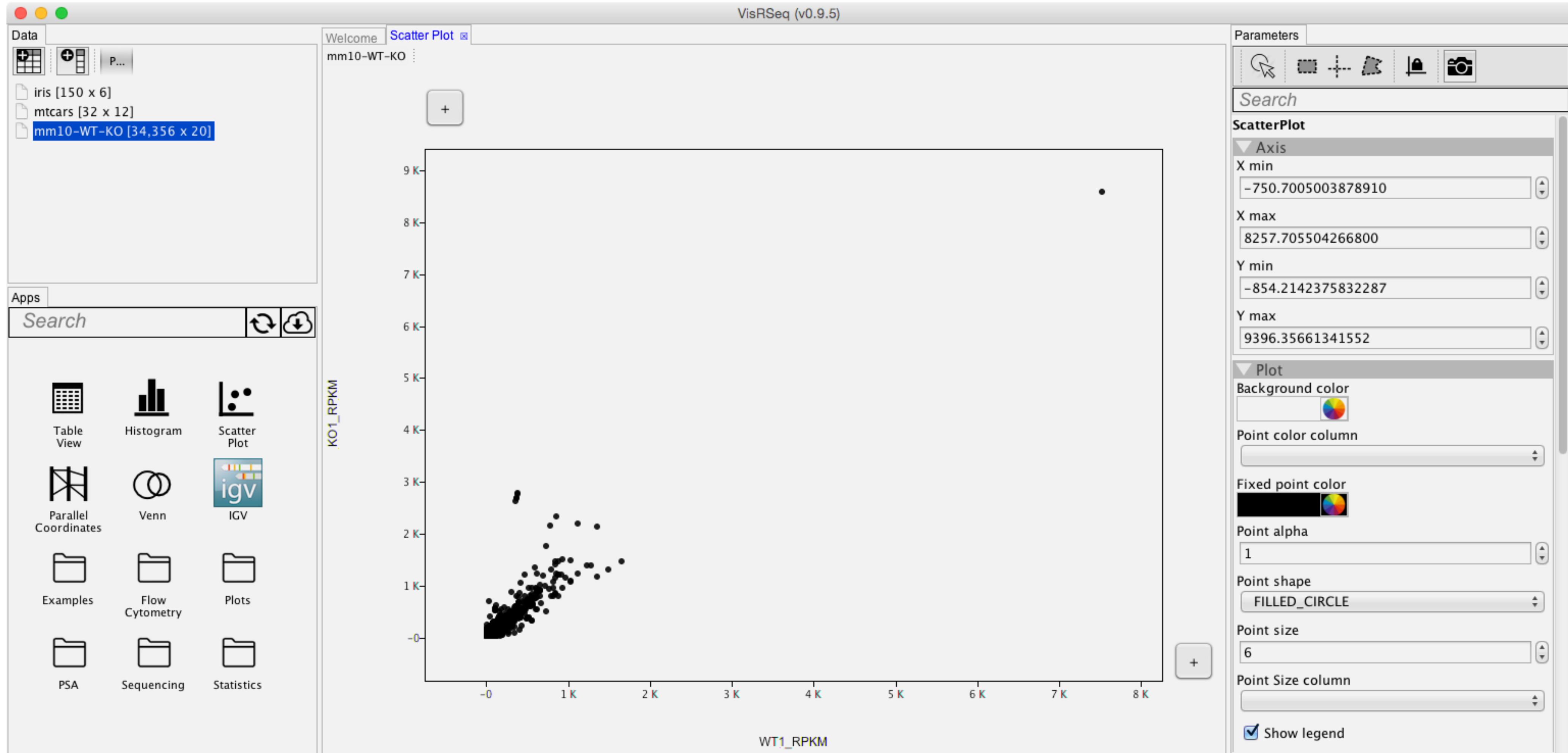
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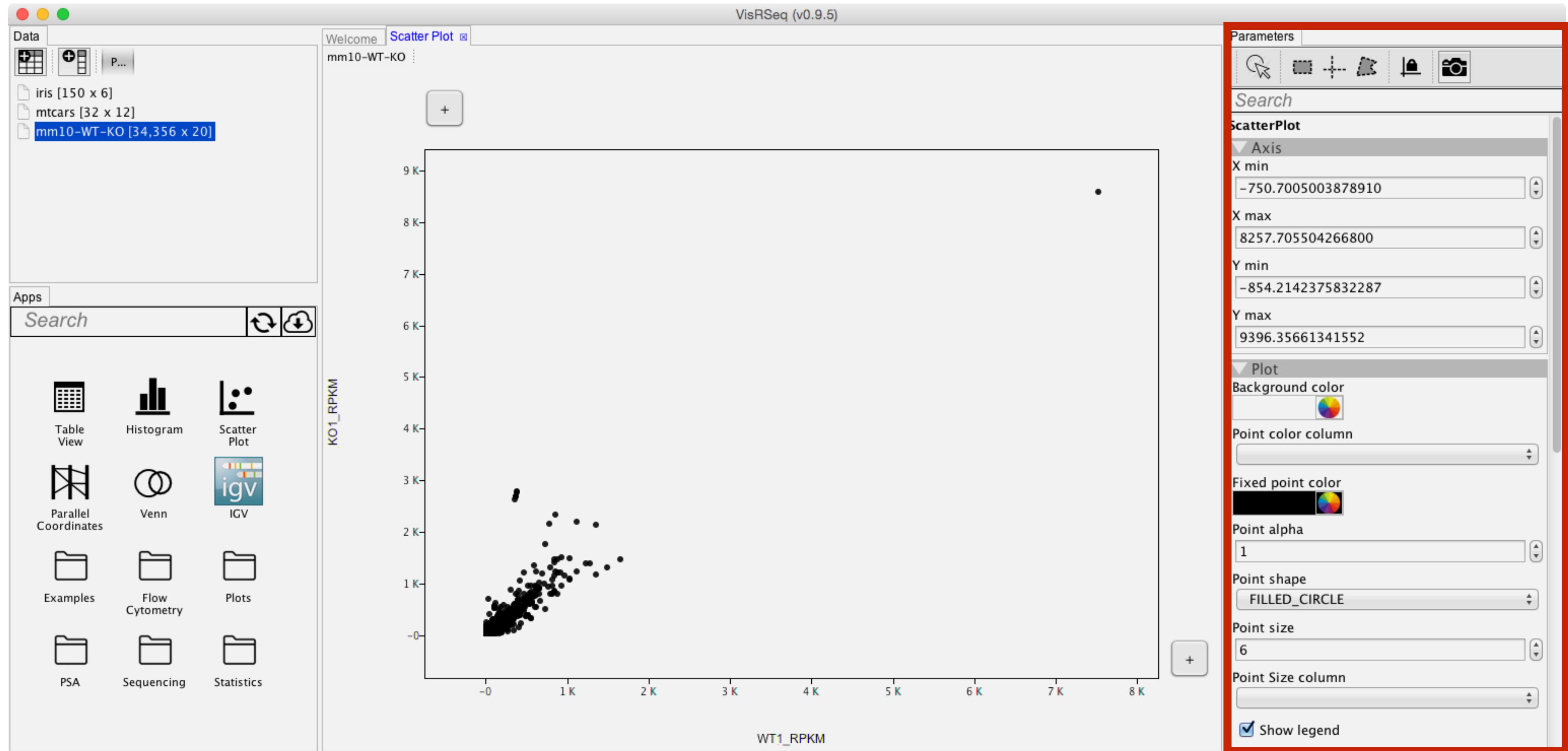


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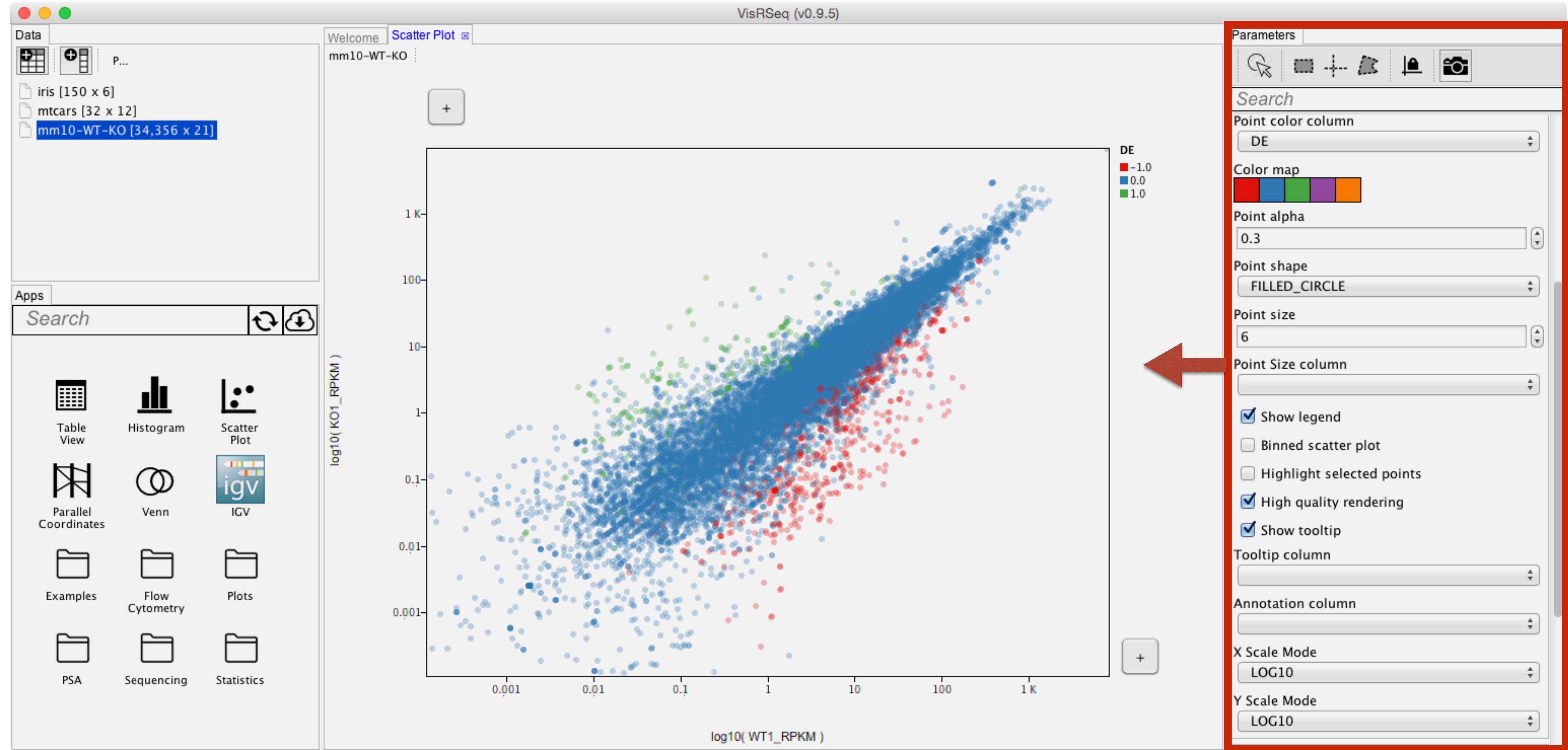
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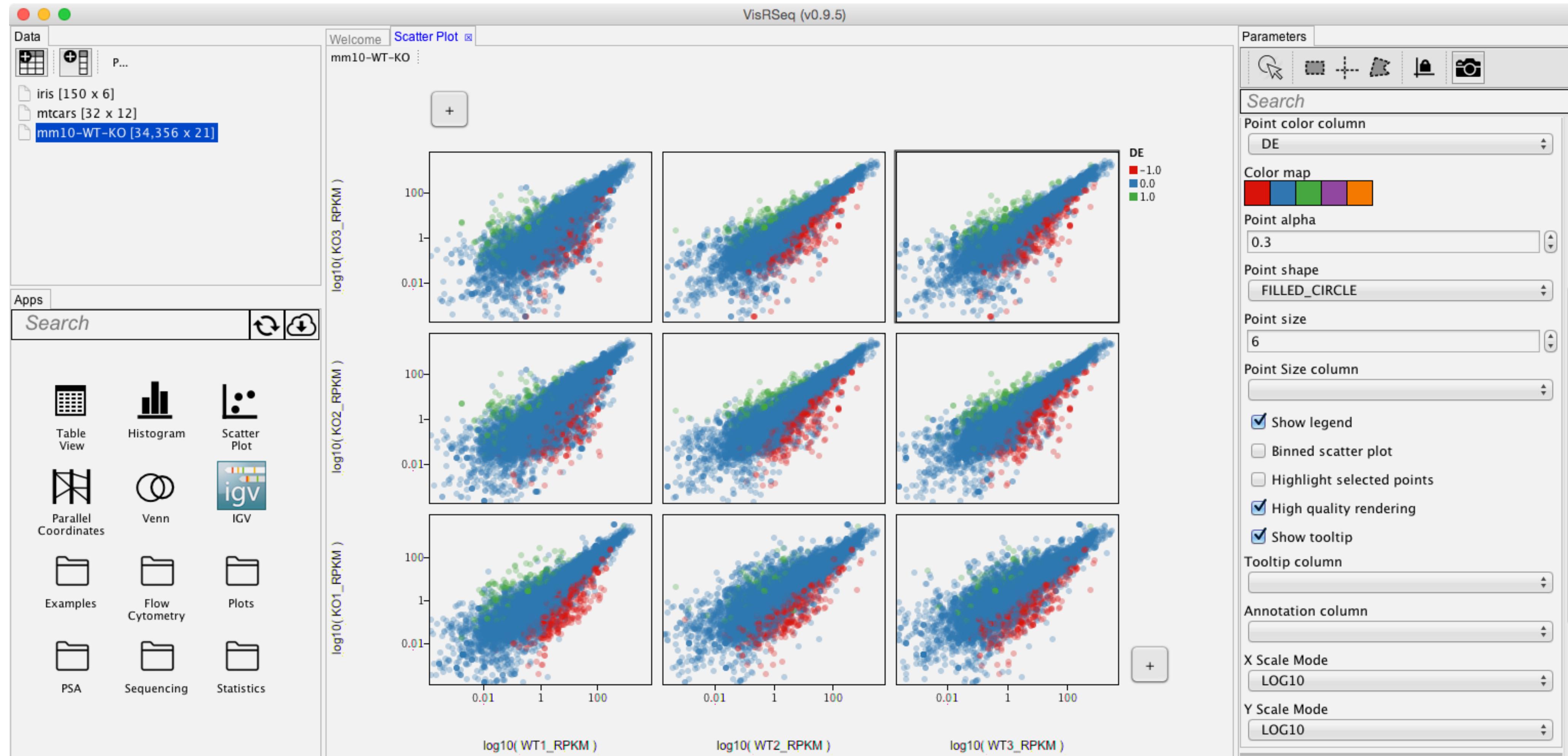


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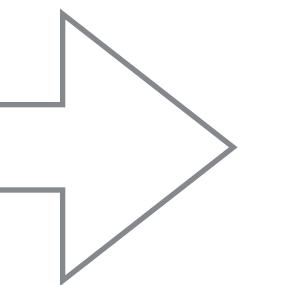
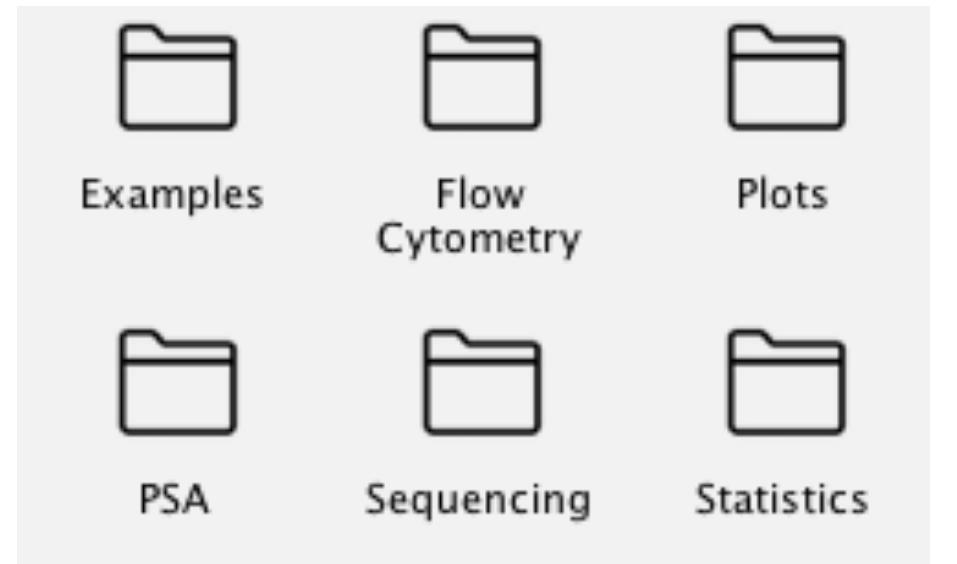


Apps: interactive

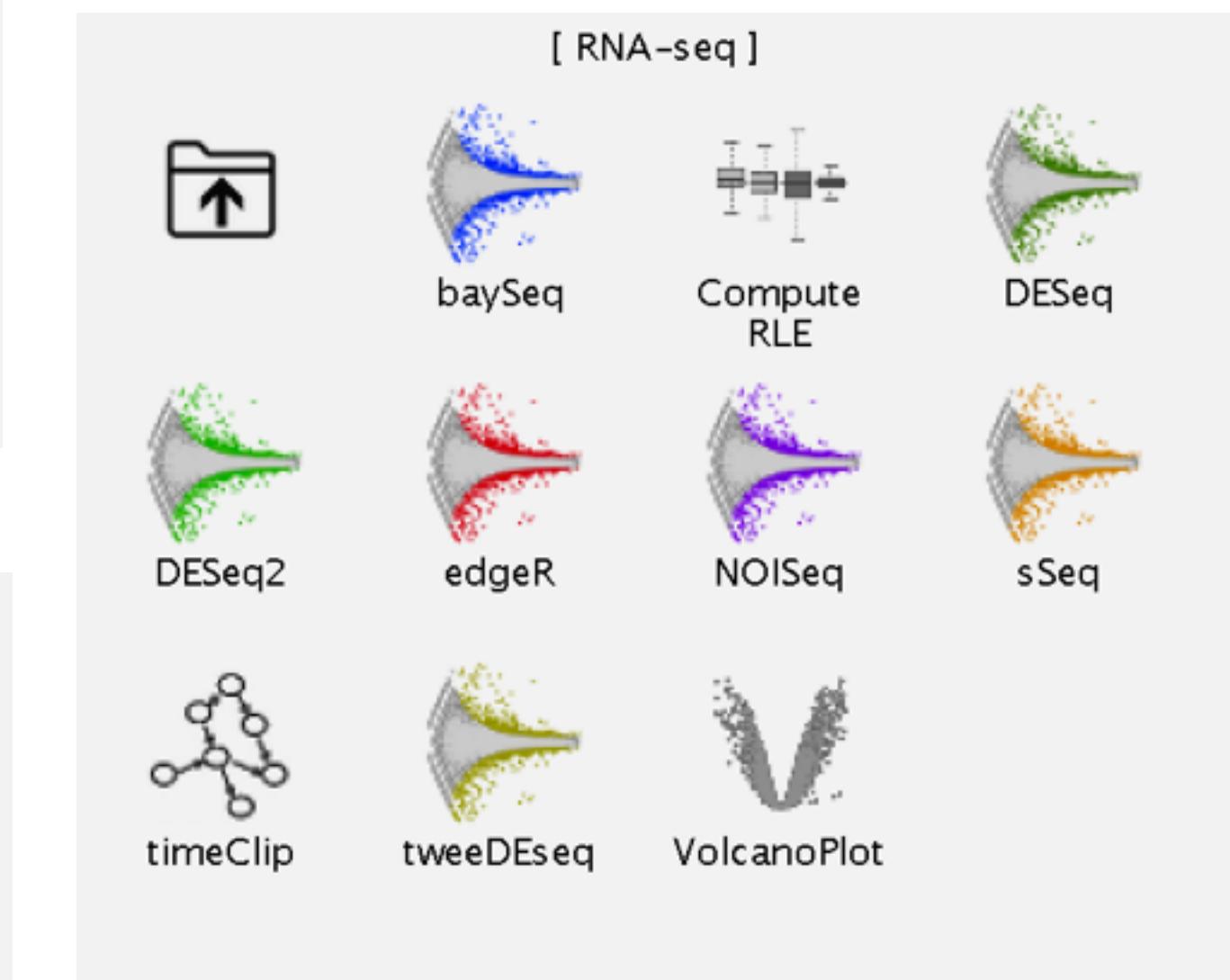
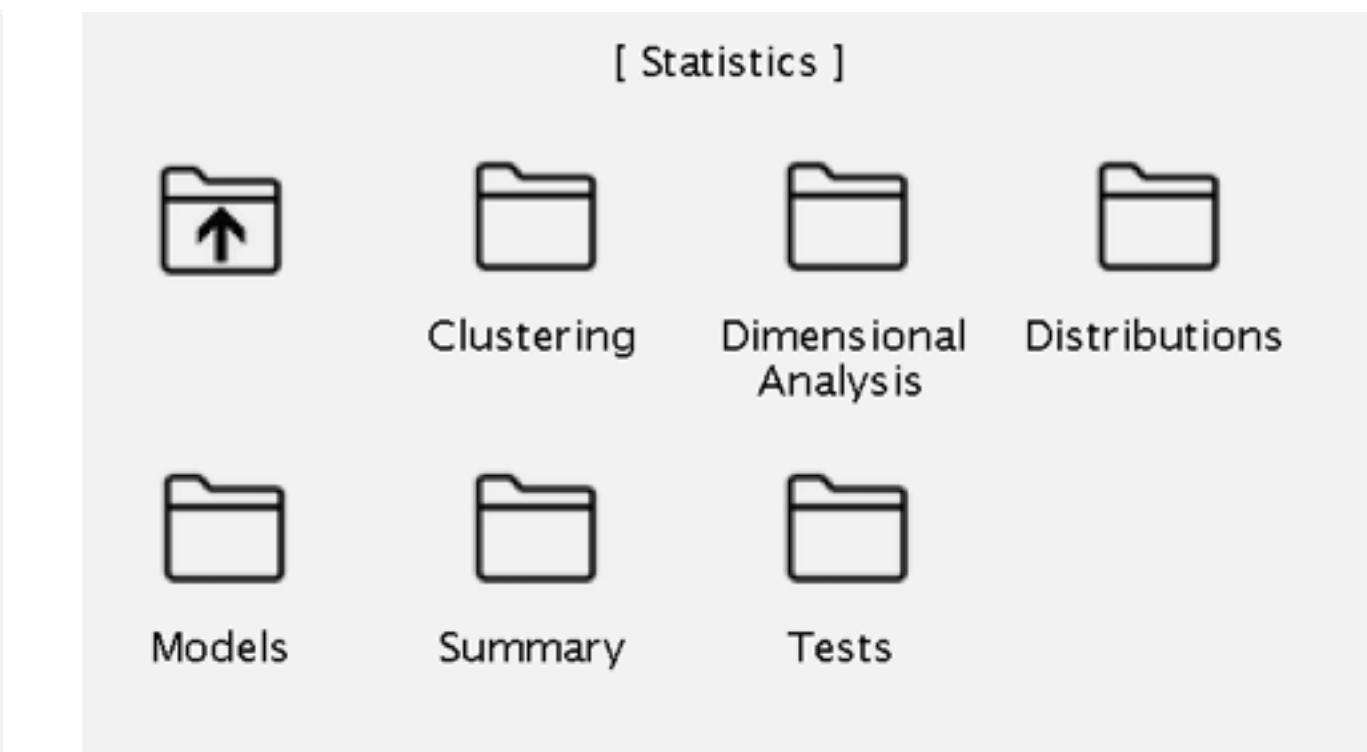
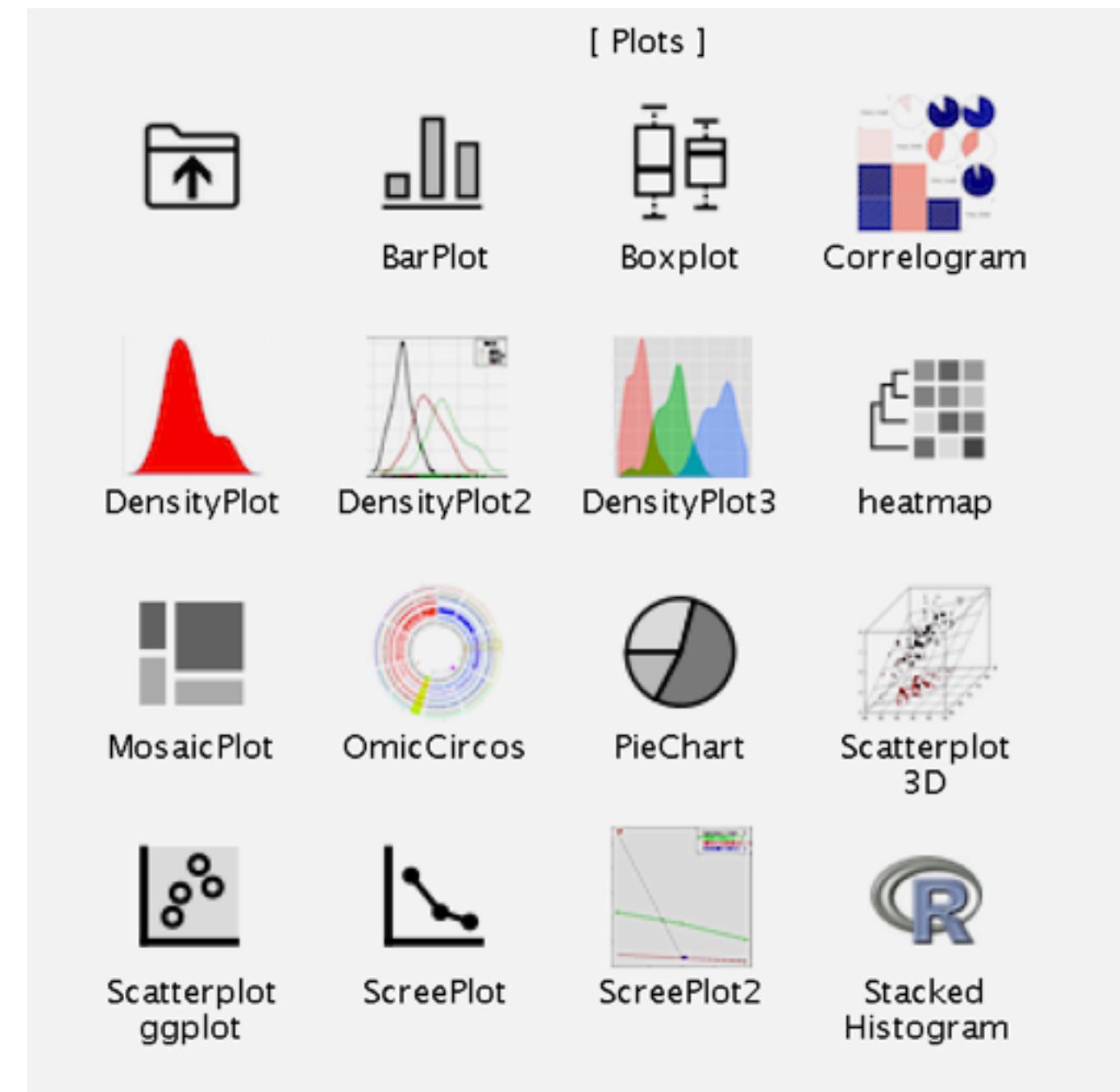
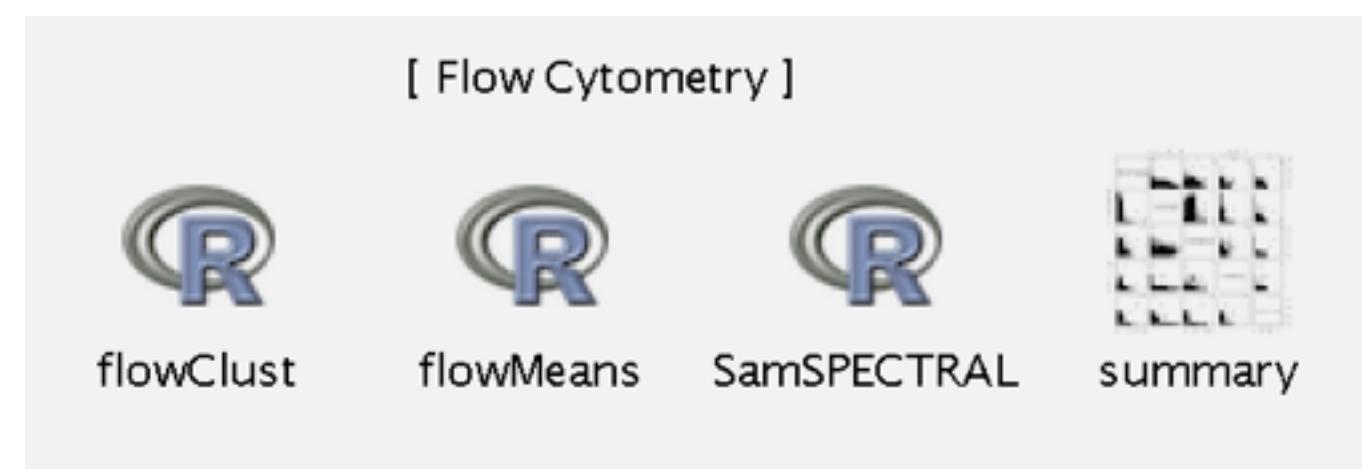
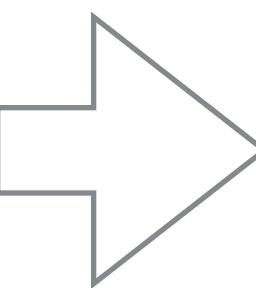
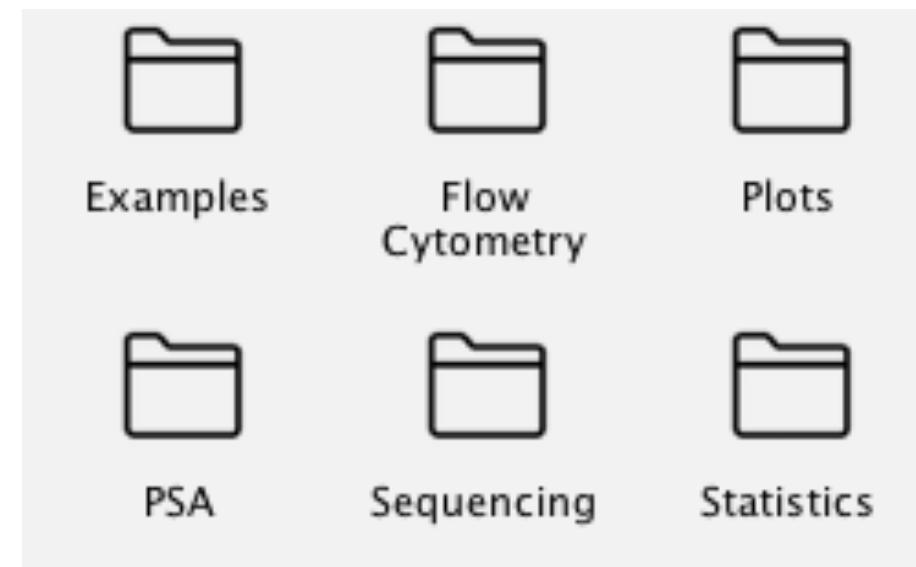


R - apps

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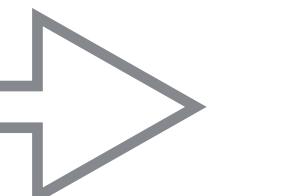
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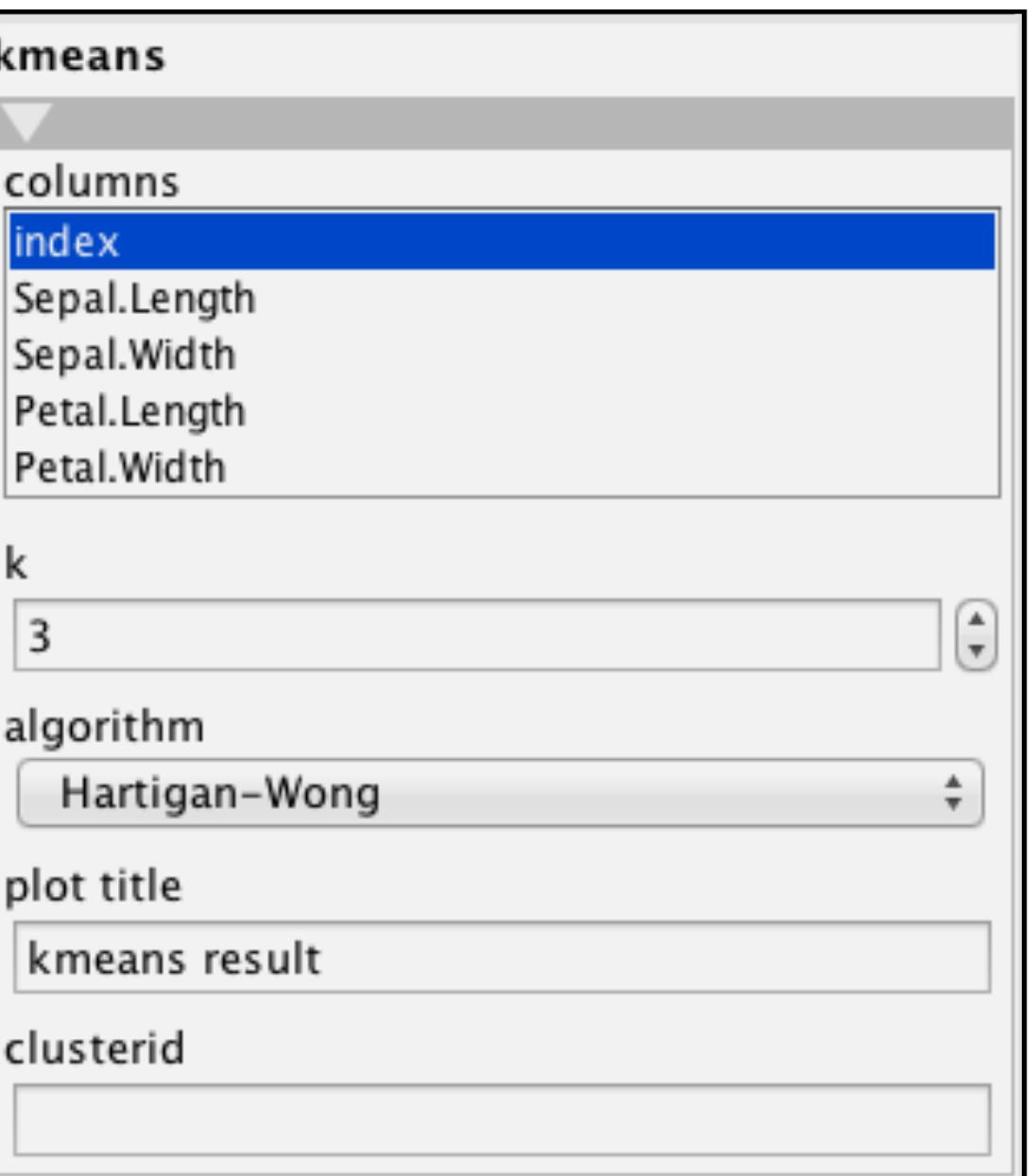
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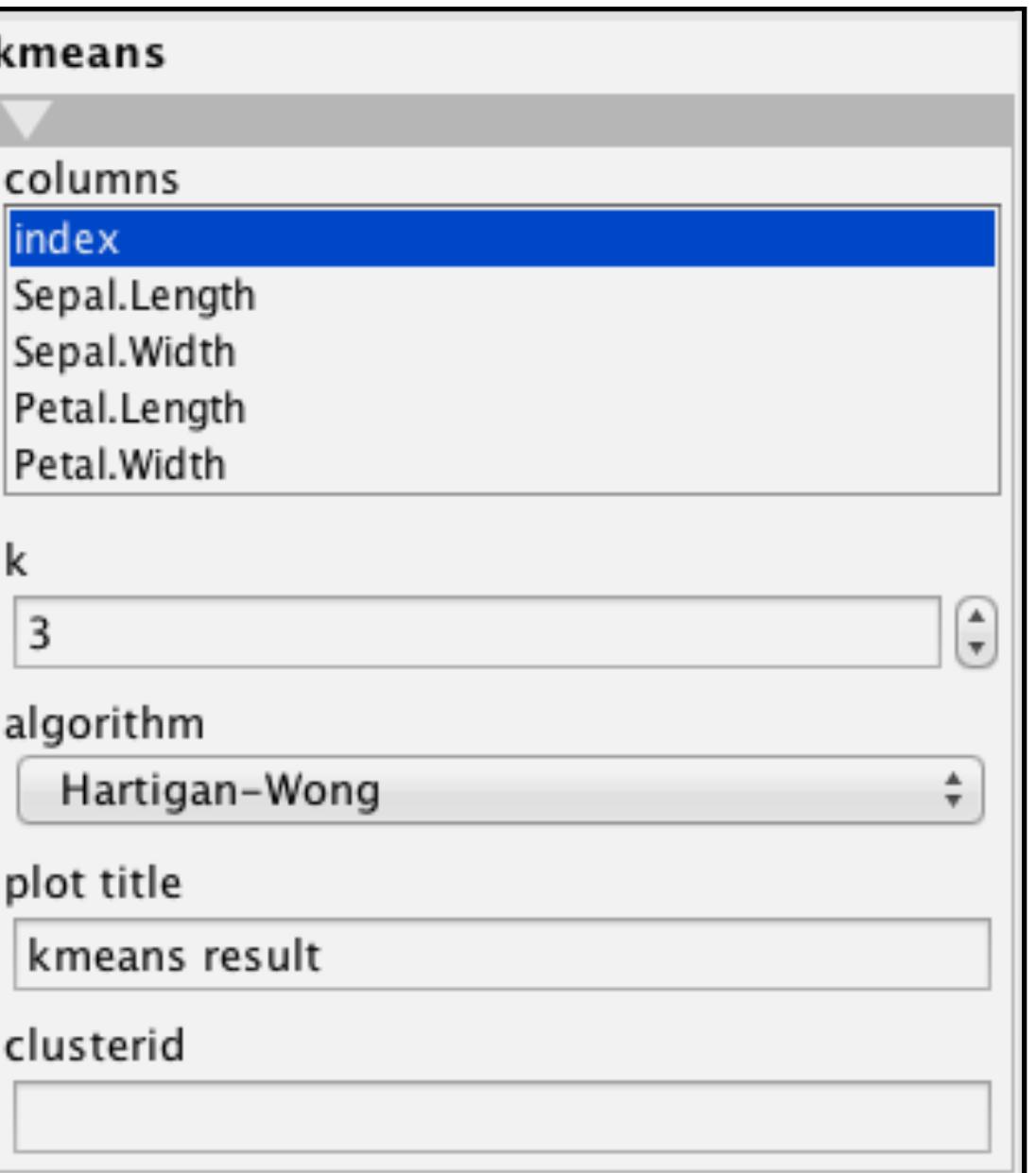
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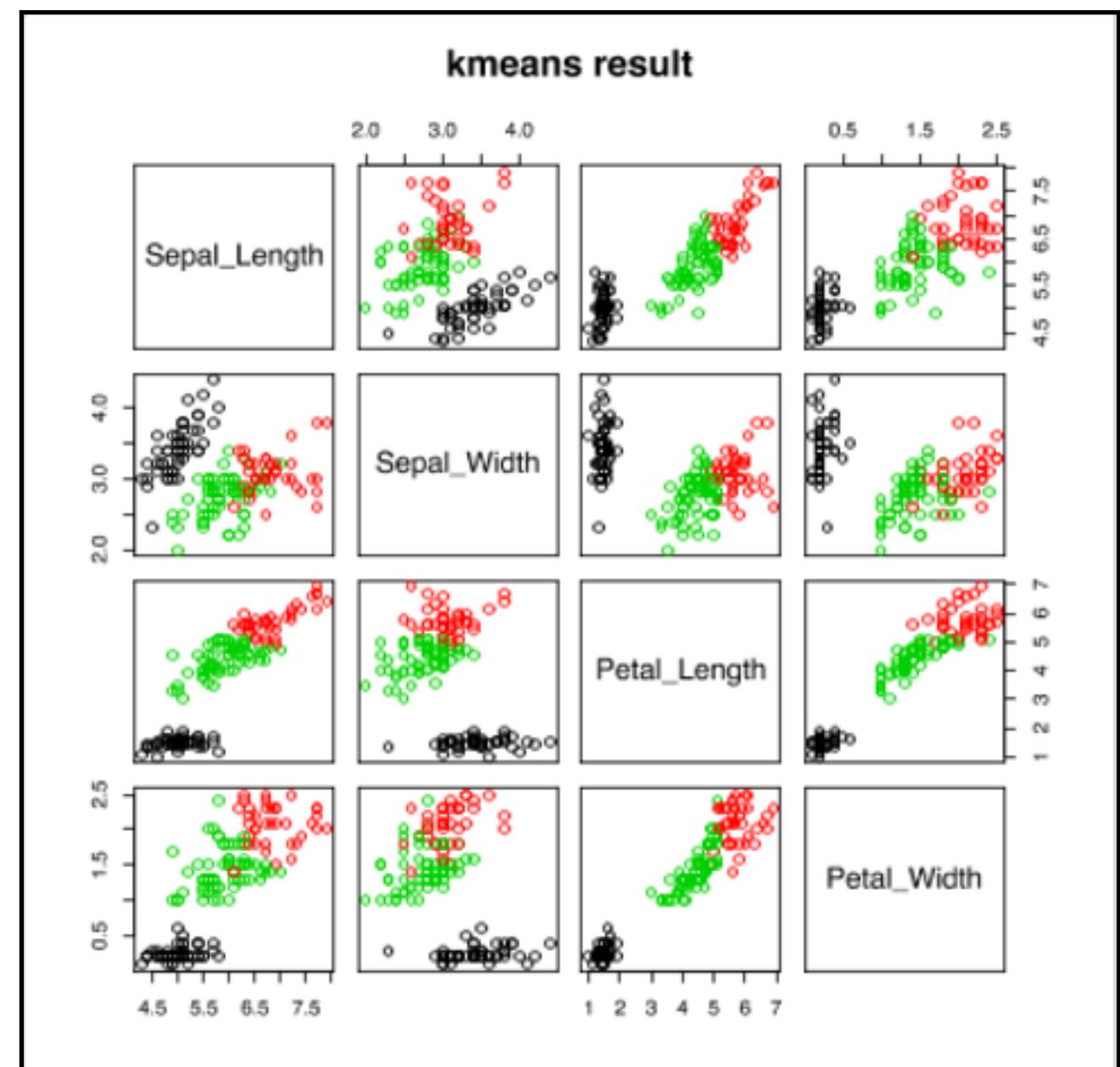
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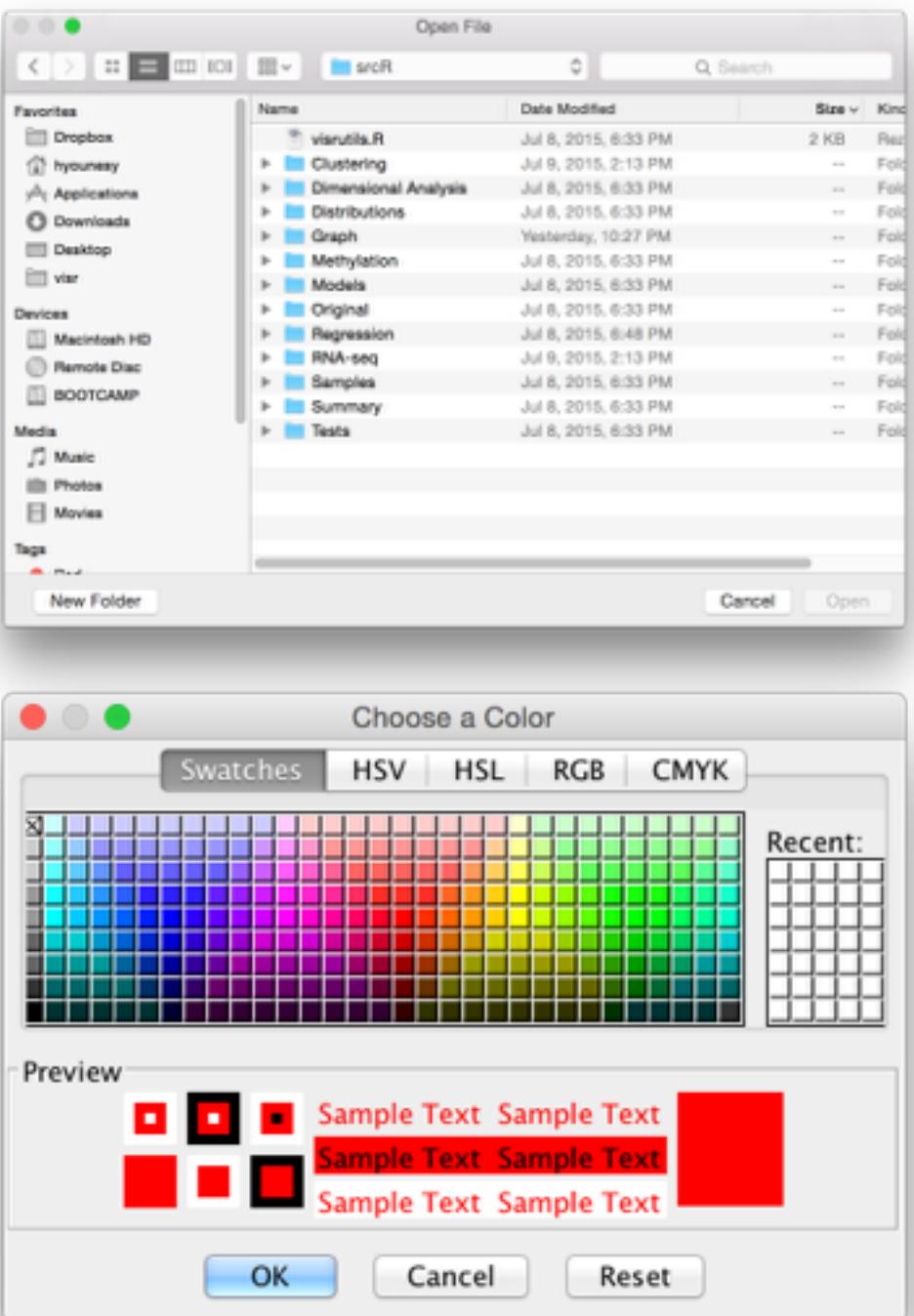
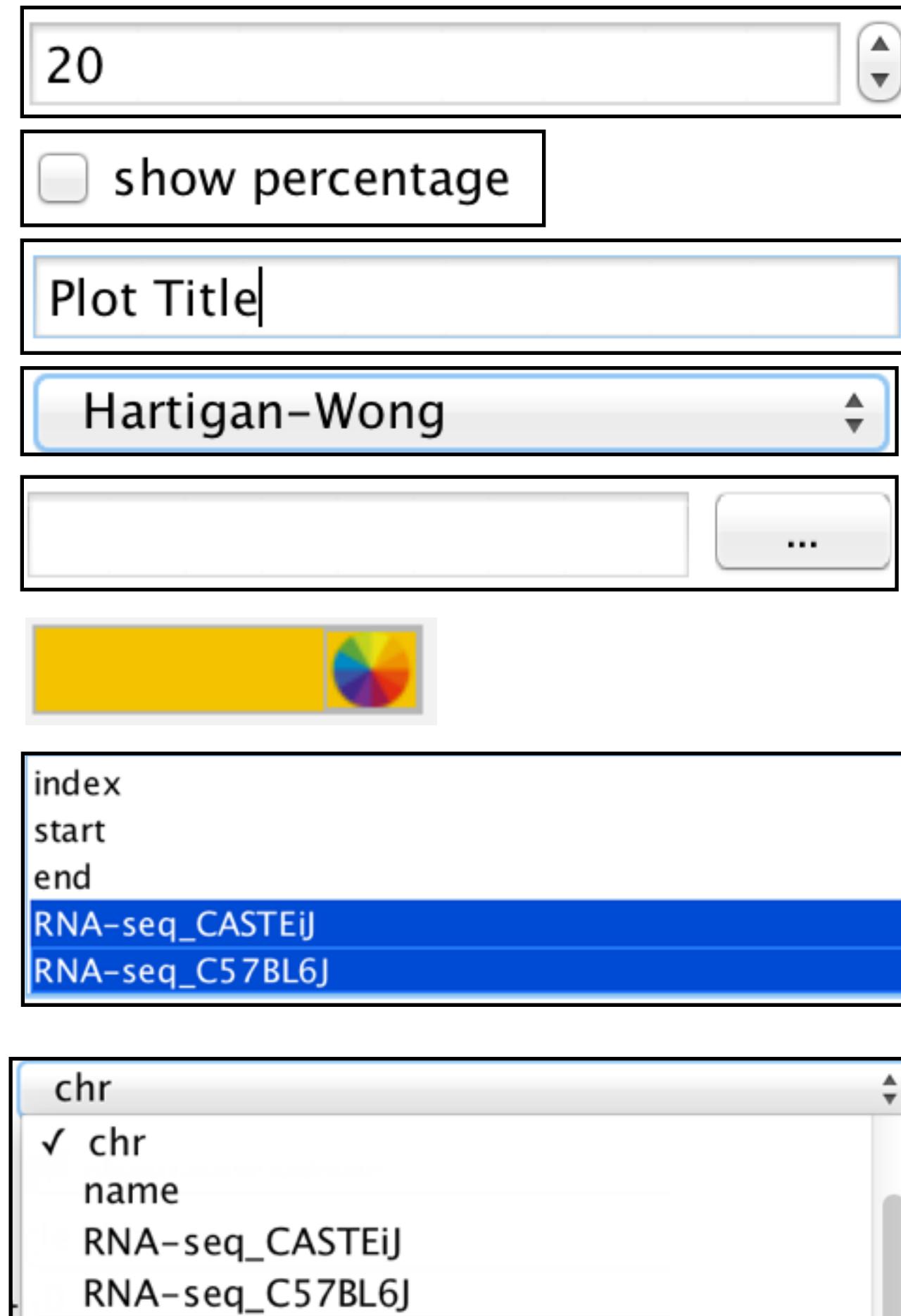
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creating R apps: variable types

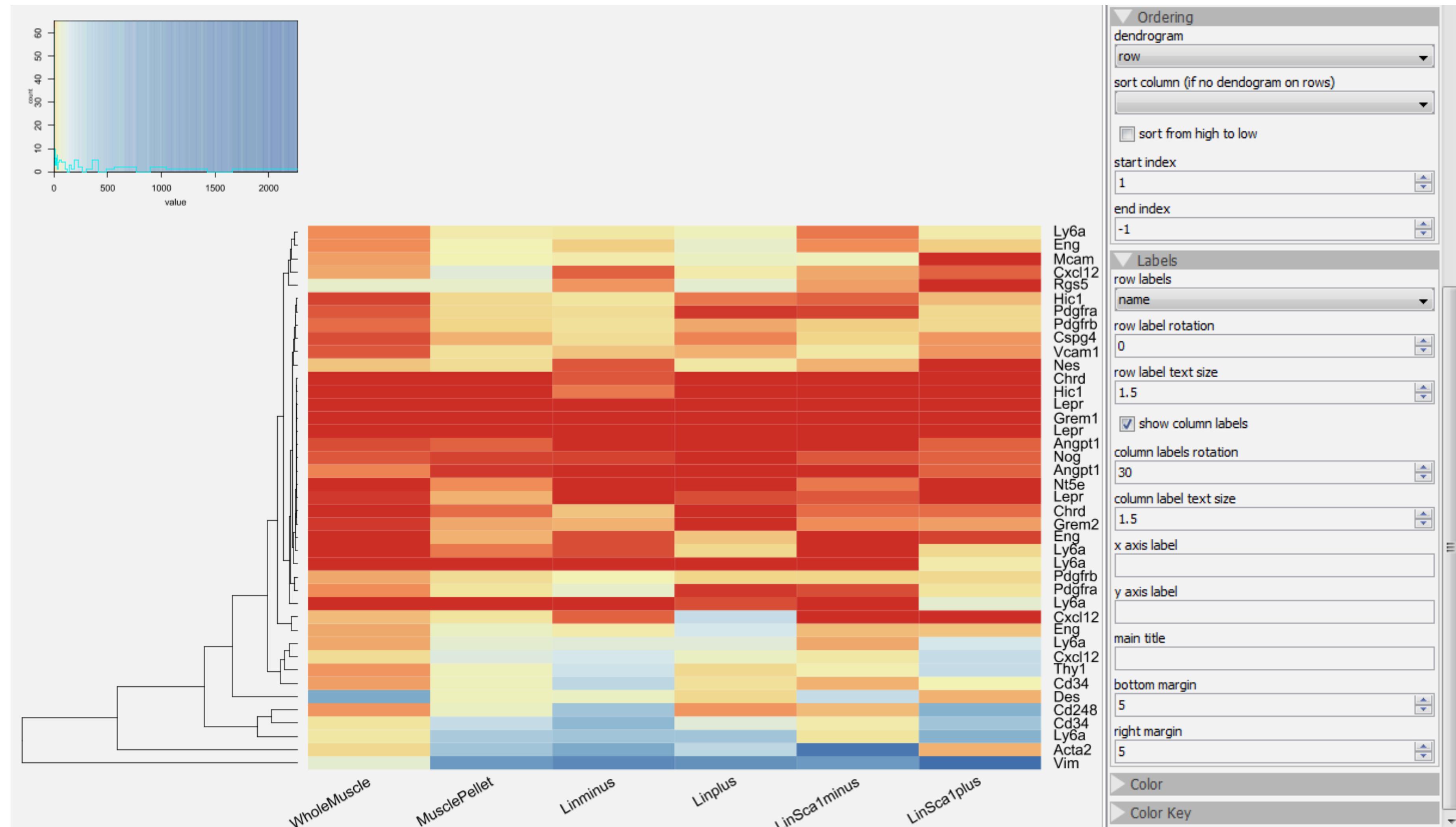
variable type

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- double
- boolean
- string
- string with items
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- column
- column-numerical
- multi-column
- multi-column-numerical
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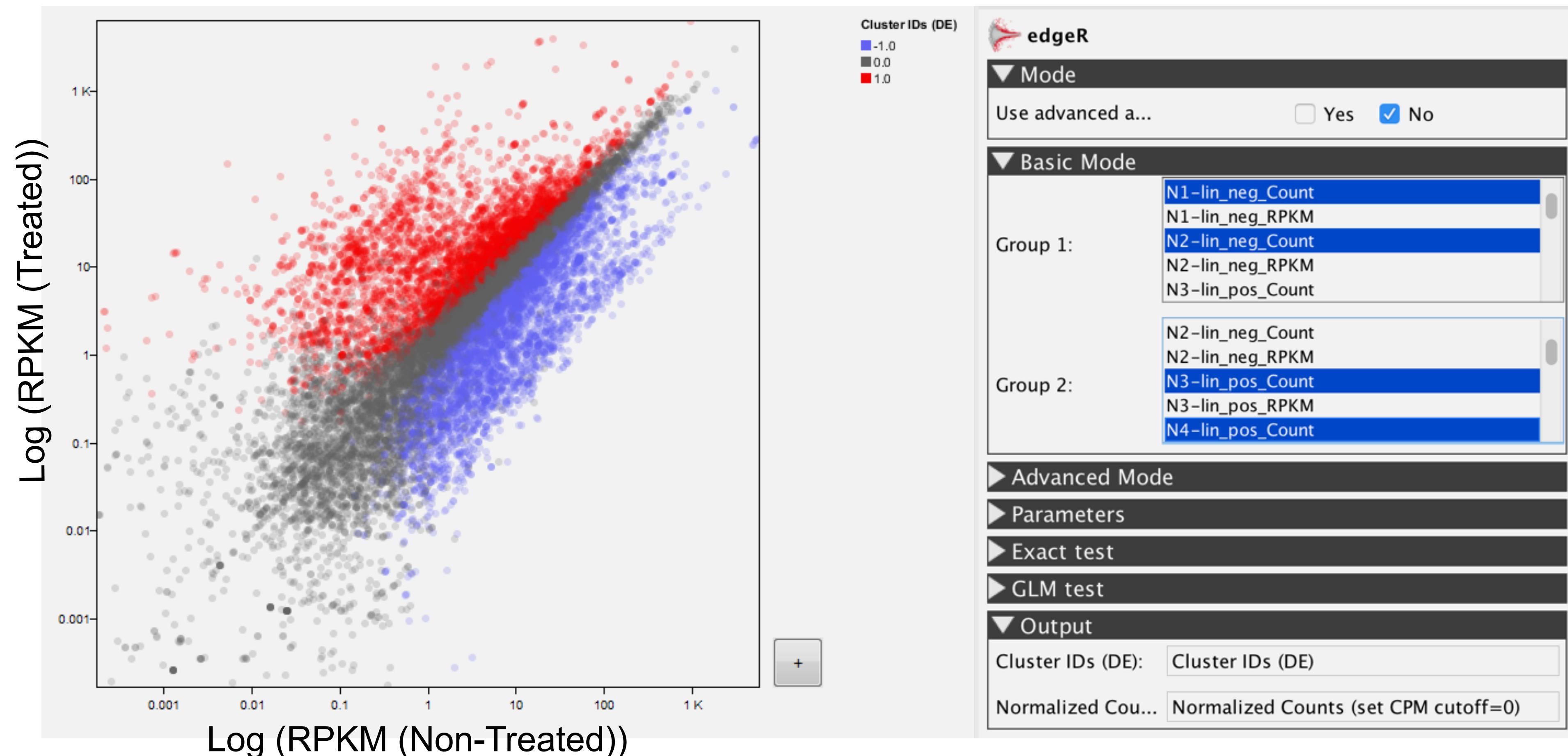


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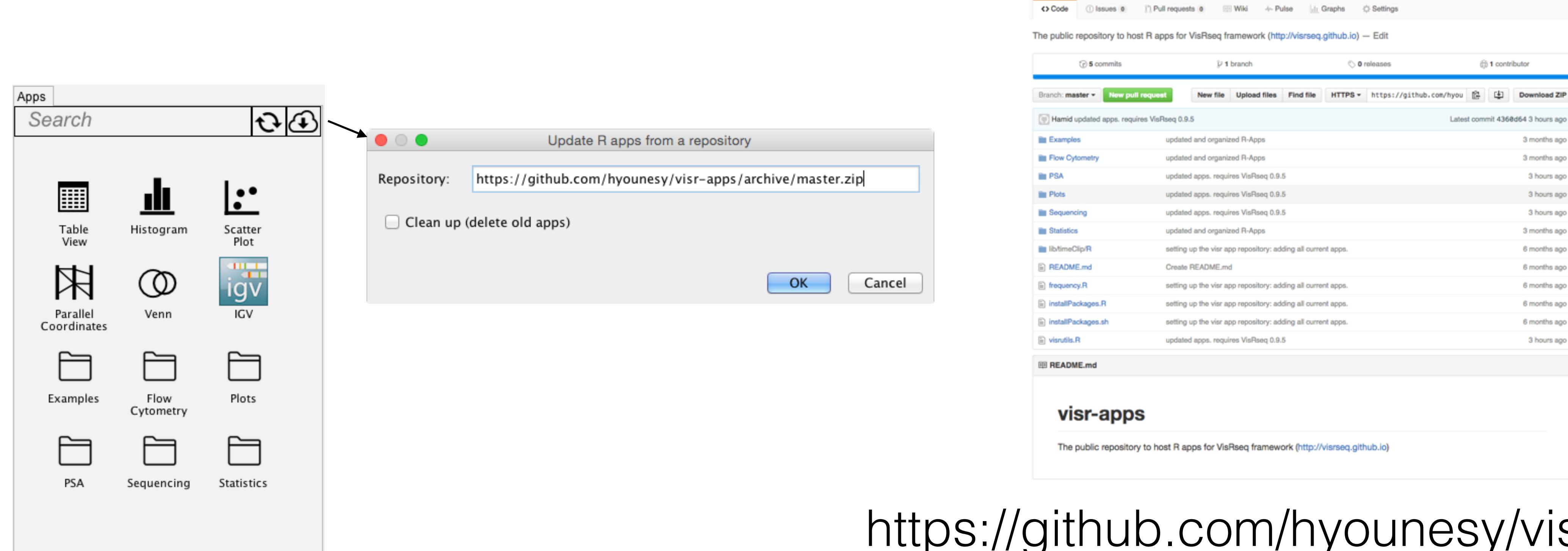
R – Apps example: heatmap



R – Apps example: edgeR



creating R apps: sharing

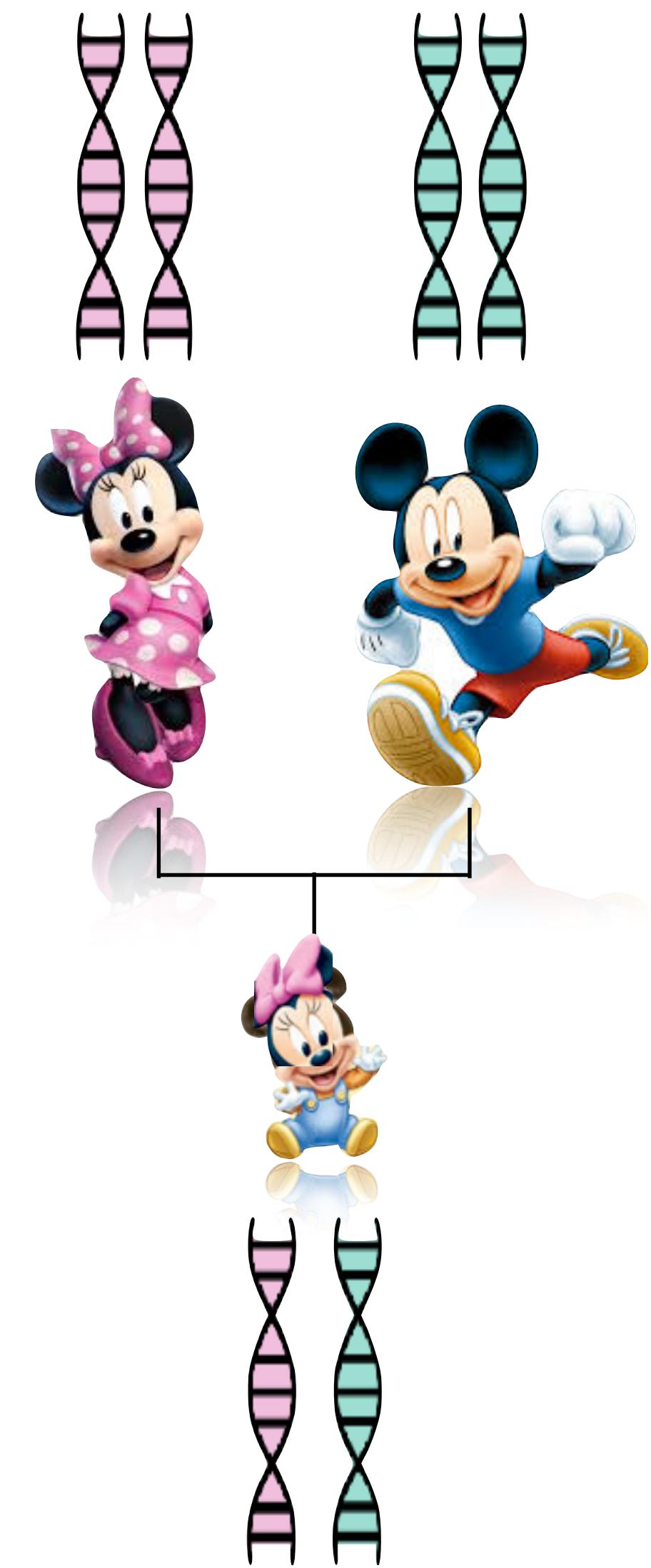


<https://github.com/hyounesy/visr-apps/>

case study

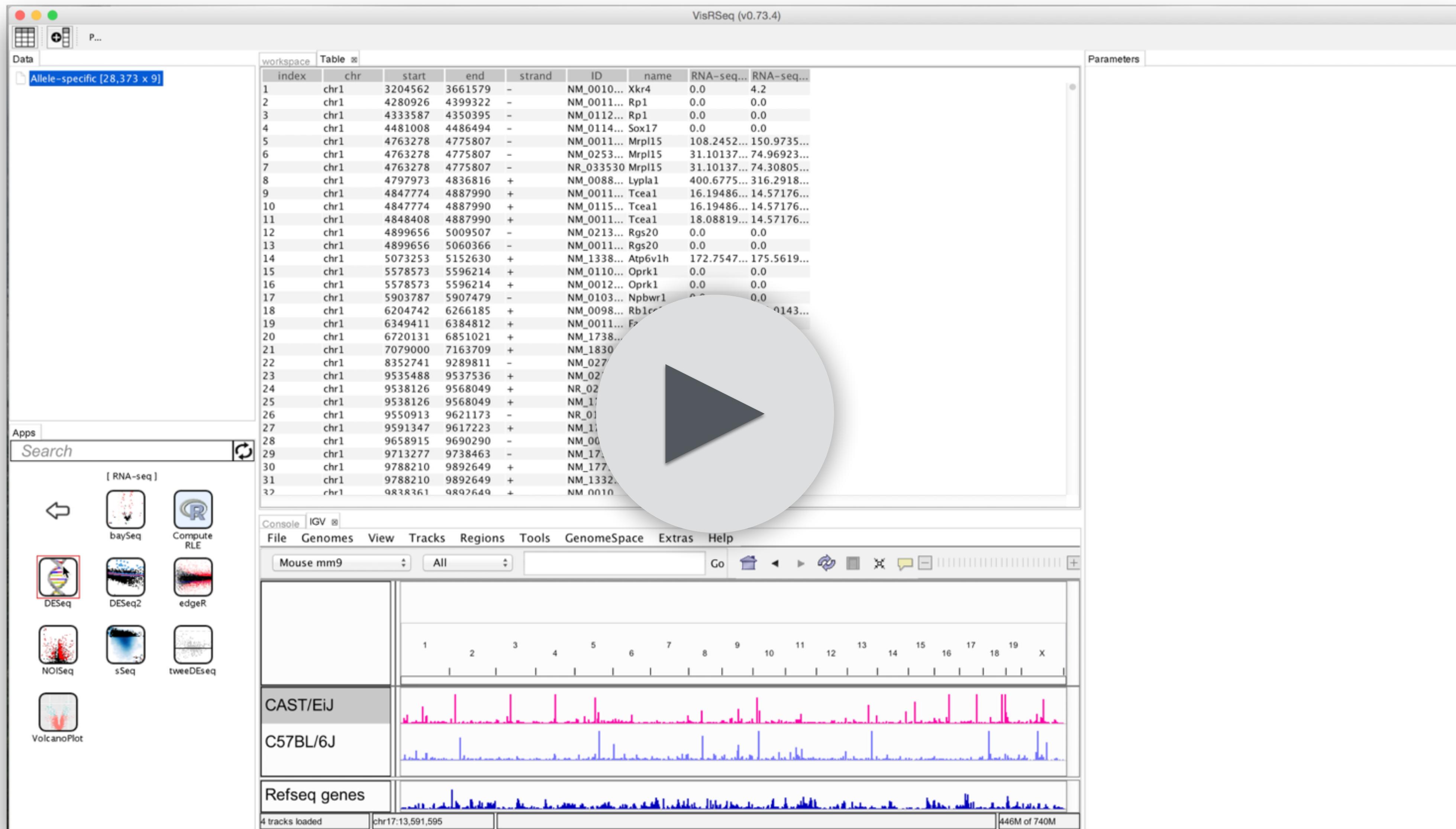
case study

- allele specific gene expression (RNA-seq)
- F1 hybrid mice: CAST + C57
- allelic RNA-seq created using ALEA^[1]



[1] H. Younesy, et.al.: ALEA: a toolbox for allele-specific epigenomics analysis. Bioinformatics 30(8), 1172–1174 (2014)

case study: allele specific expression



parameter space
exploration

parameter space exploration: motivation

what should be the parameter values?

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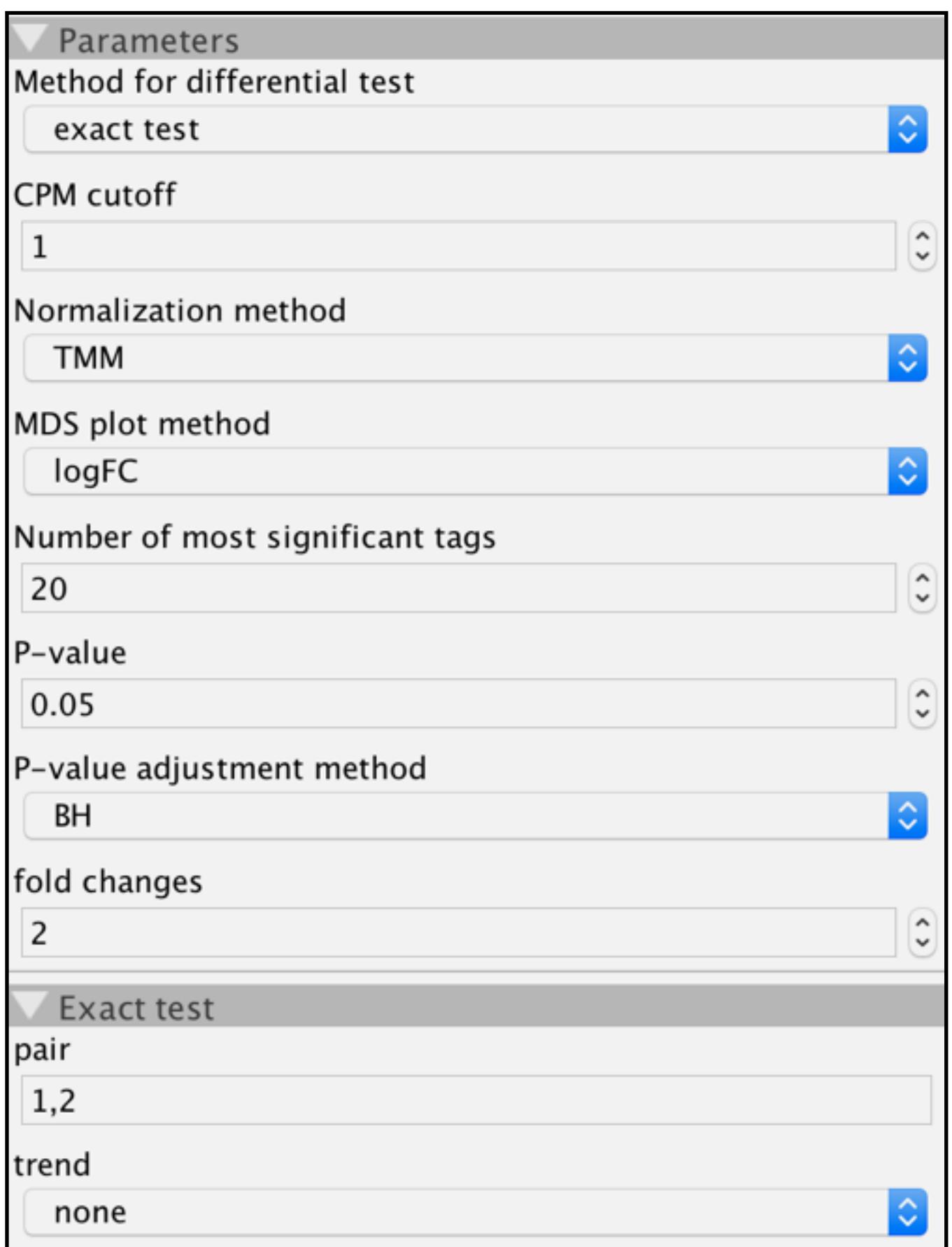
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The screenshot shows a software interface titled "Parameter exploration". It contains several input fields and dropdown menus for configuring a differential test. The fields include "Method for differential test" set to "exact test", "CPM cutoff" set to "1", "Normalization method" set to "TMM", "MDS plot method" set to "logFC", "Number of most significant tags" set to "20", "P-value" set to "0.05", "P-value adjustment method" set to "BH", and "fold changes" set to "2". There are also sections for "Exact test" with "pair" set to "1,2" and "trend" set to "none". Each field has a small up/down arrow icon to its right, likely for numerical or categorical selection.

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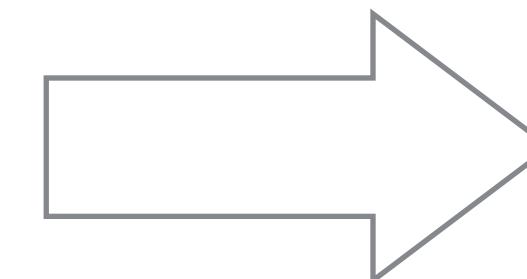
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exact test

CPM cutoff:
0.509

Normalization ...
TMM

MDS plot metho...
logFC

Number of most...
20

P-value:
0.001

P-value adjustm...
none

fold changes:
1.572

▼ Exact test

pair:
1,2

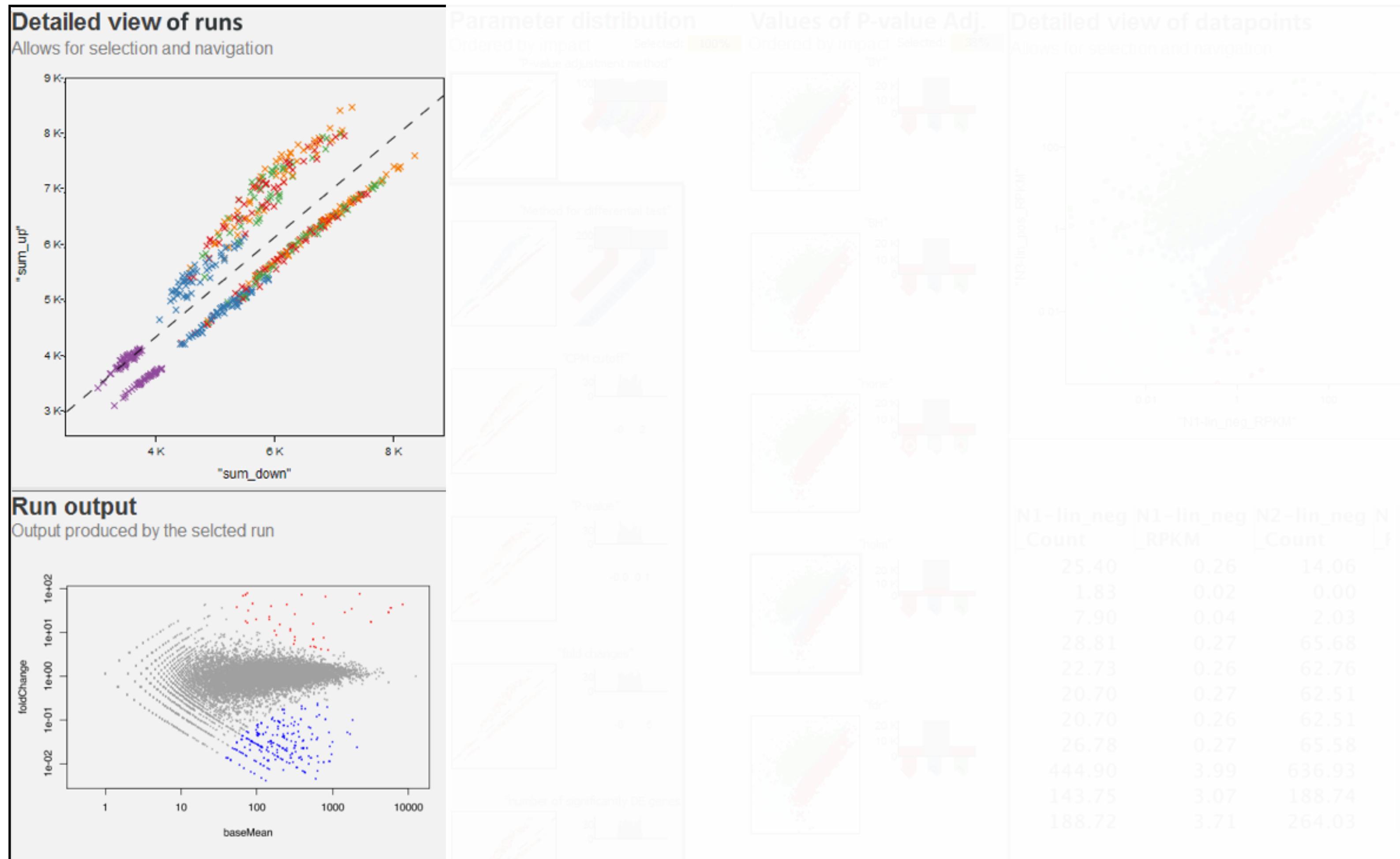
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► GLM test

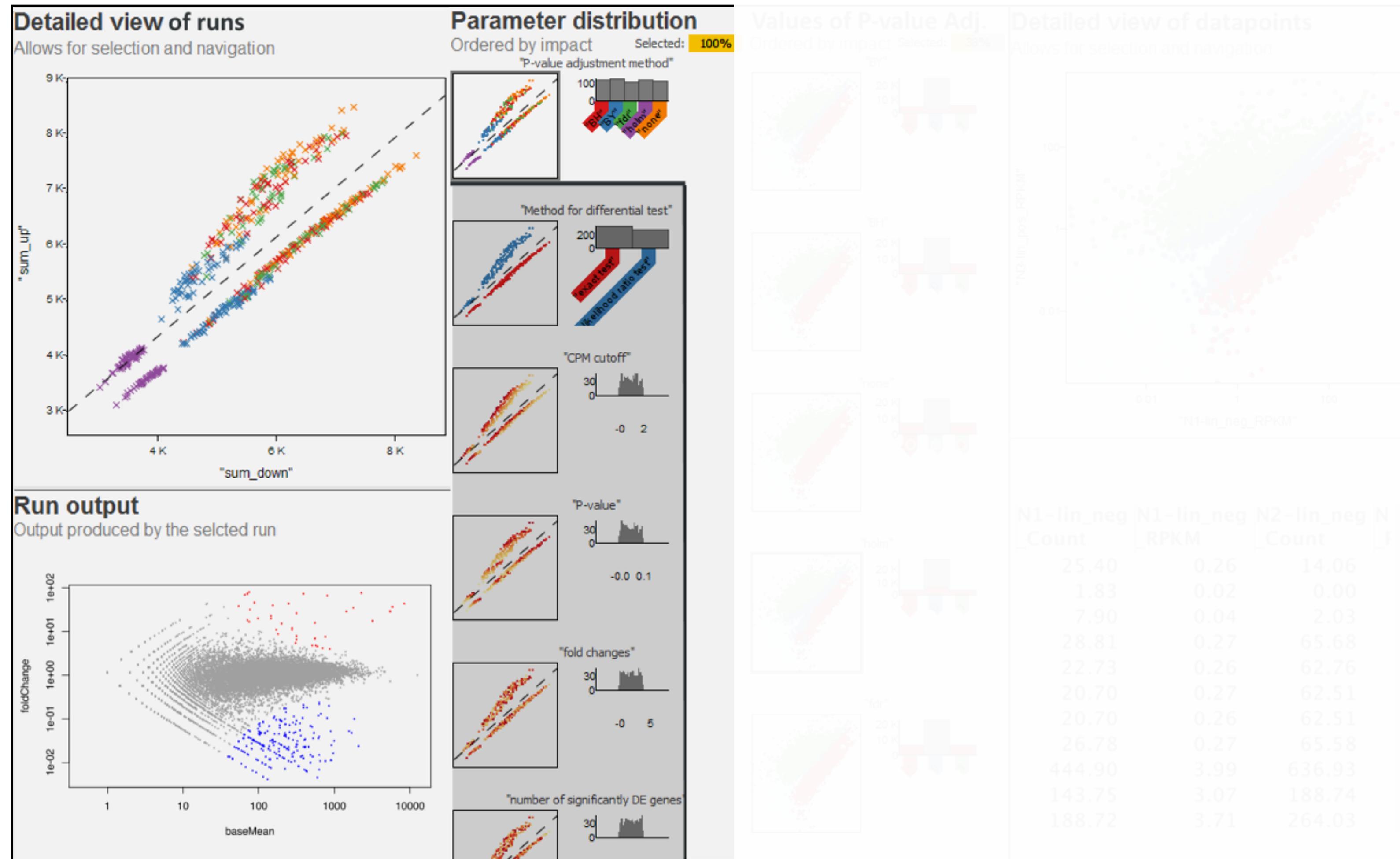
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Runs Until

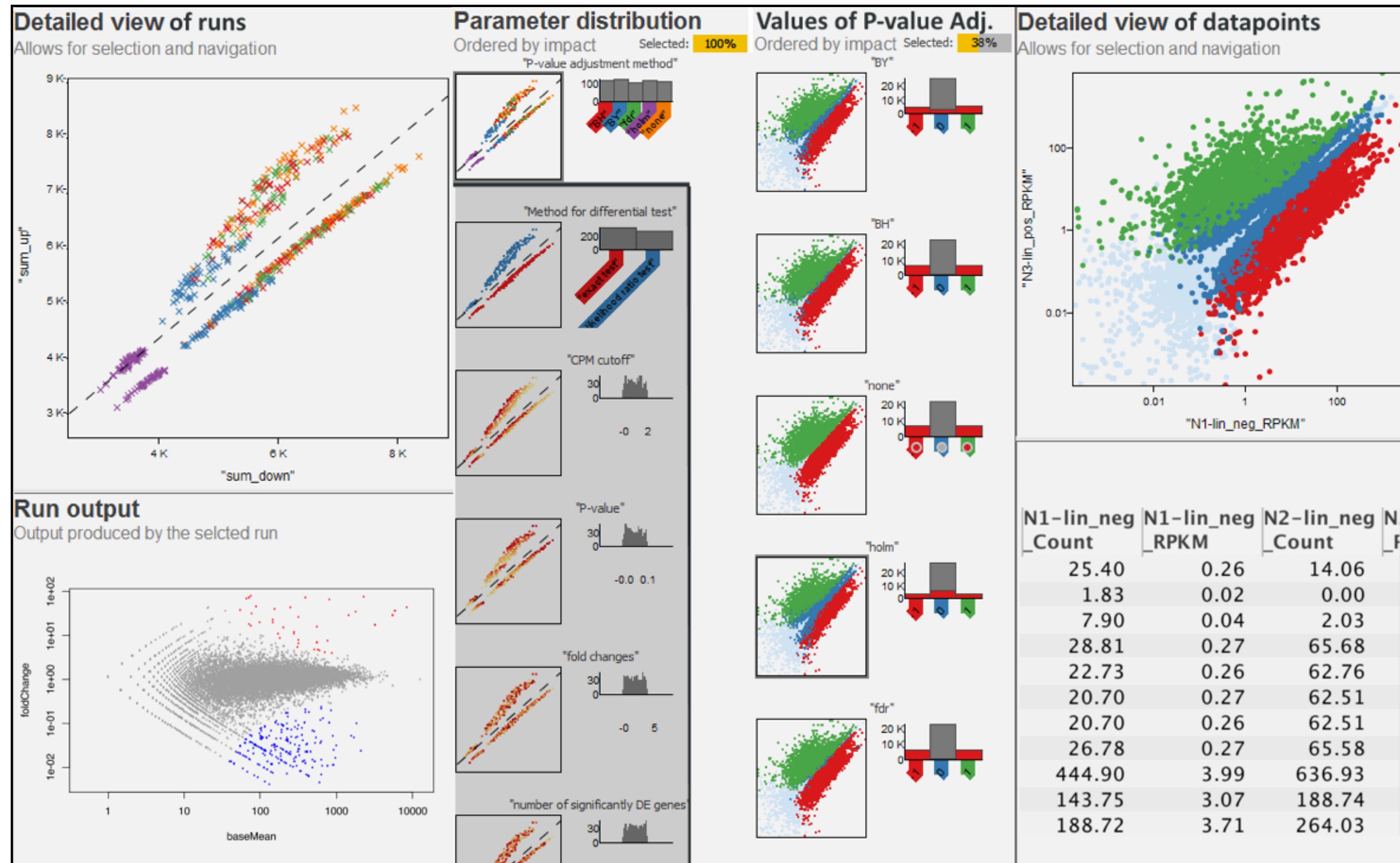
parameter space exploration: result



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conclusions

limitations

- Scalability: few million rows and 30-40 columns of sequencing data
- cannot run R-apps in parallel
- desktop only

future work

- general purpose framework: Apps for other domains (e.g. Proteomics, etc.)
- workflow designer : link several apps to create “macro” apps.
- reproducibility: provenance / parameter exploration

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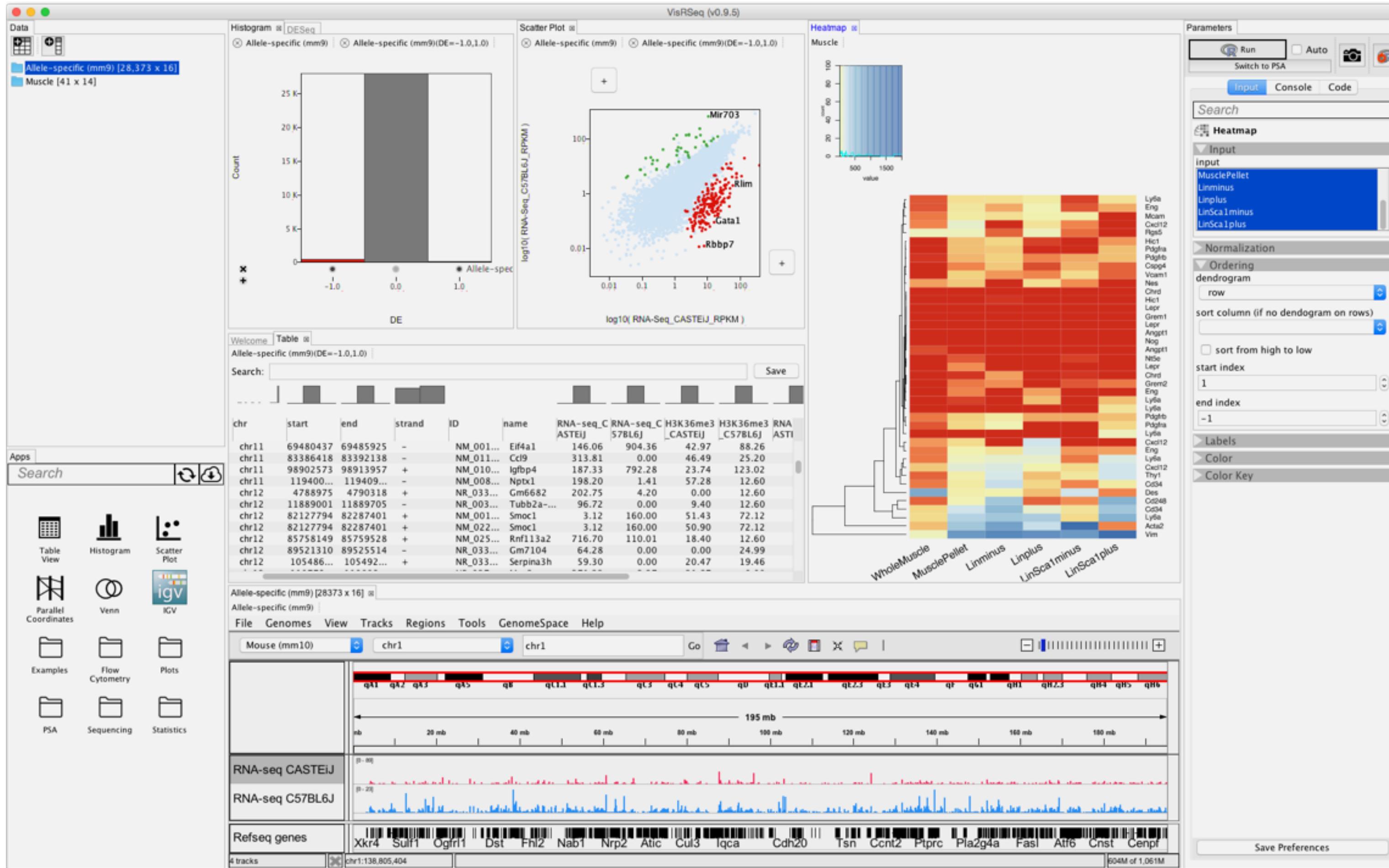


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