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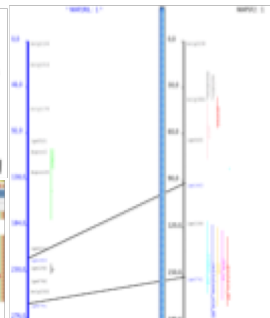
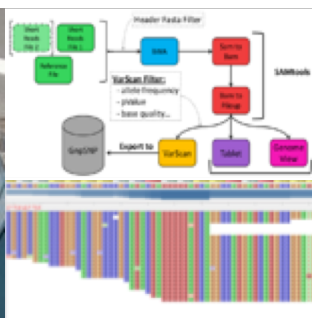
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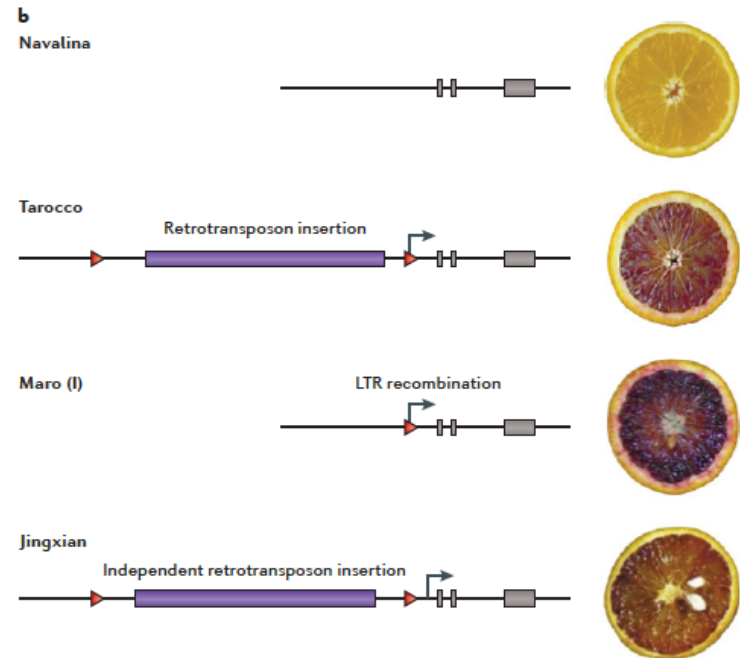


# TEs are key players of genome evolution

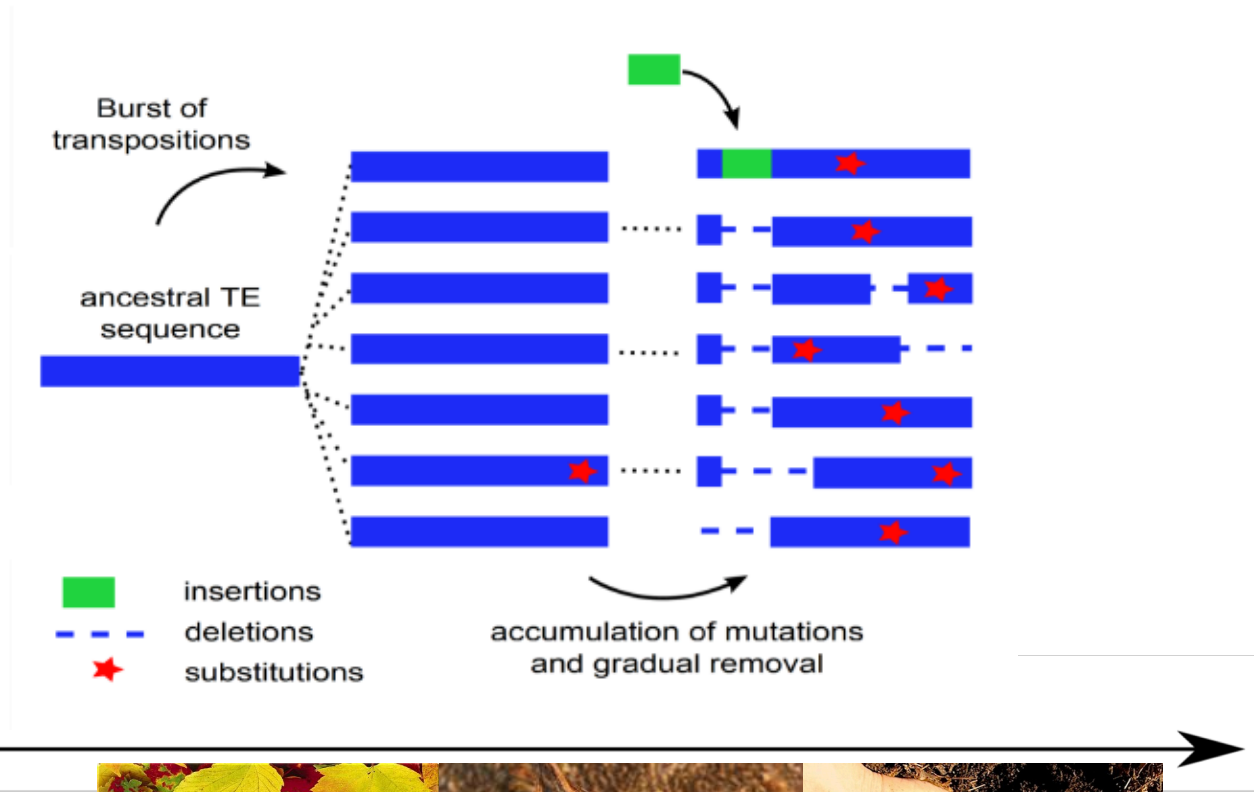
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# TE dynamics



# Scientific questions

**TEs participate to the DNA turnover forming the raw material for genetic innovations.**

**→ How to recognize very old and degenerated repeated sequences up to 40 Myr old.**

**→ Search whether they played key evolutionary roles.**

# Cross-species TE annotation



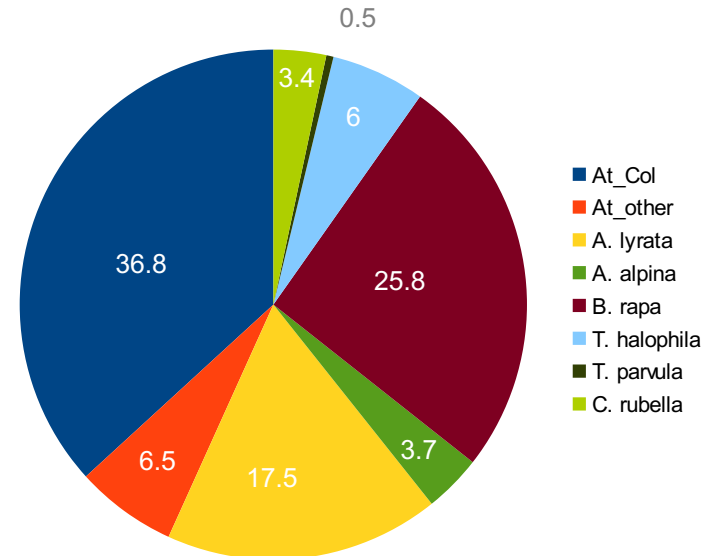
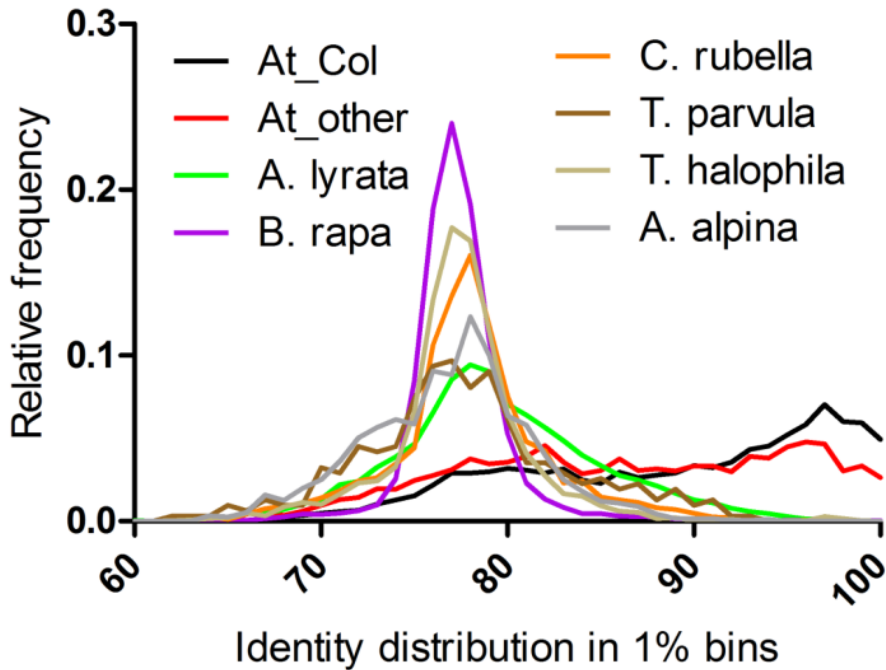
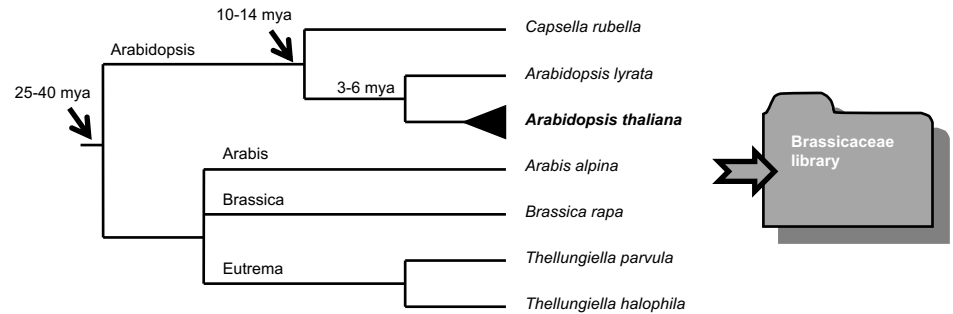
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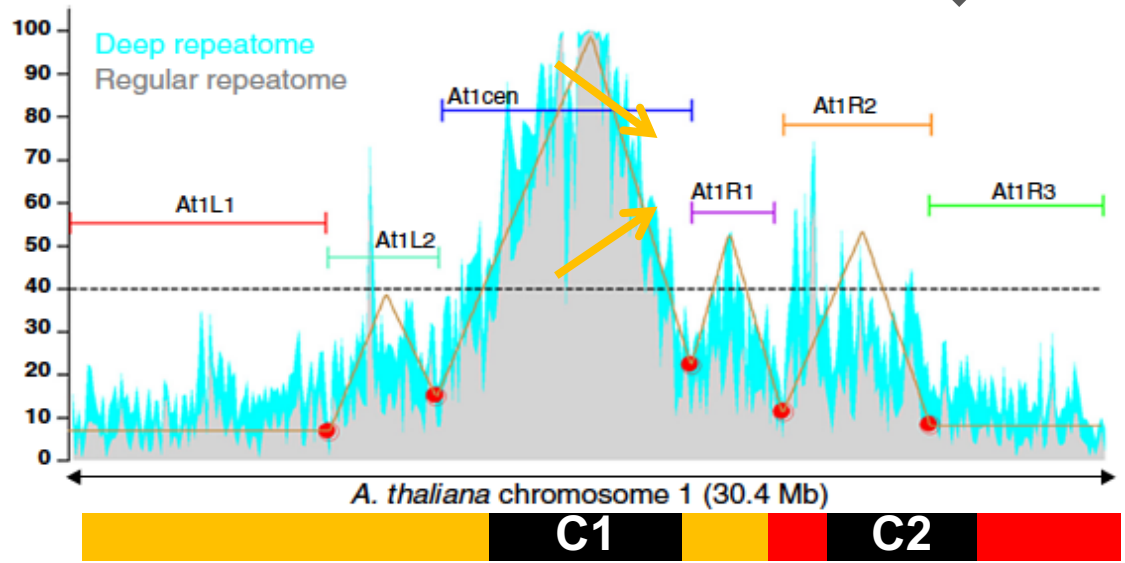
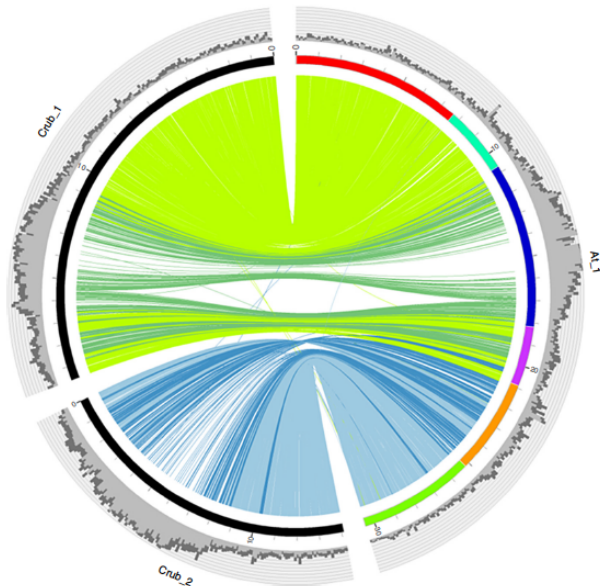
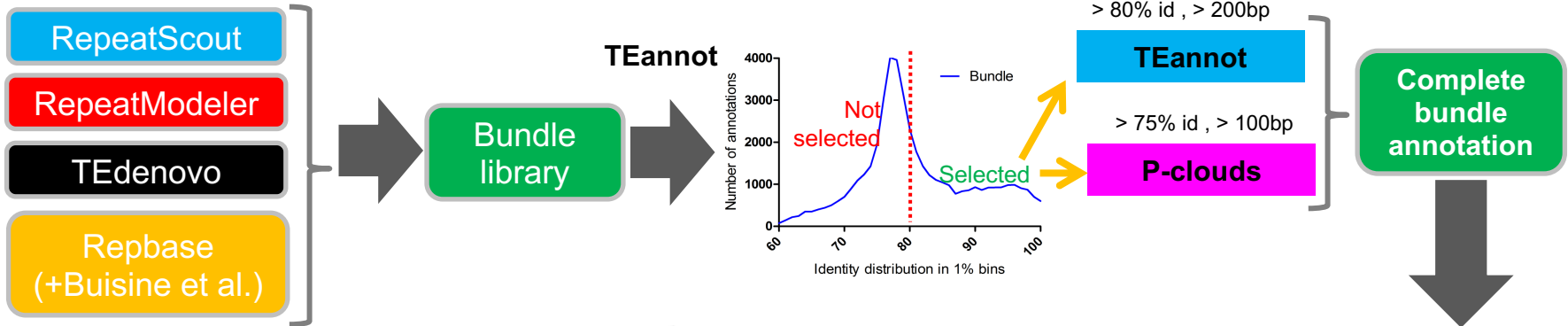
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# Deep Investigation of *Arabidopsis thaliana* Junk DNA Reveals a Continuum between Repetitive Elements and Genomic Dark Matter

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Fusion of two ancestral chromosomes

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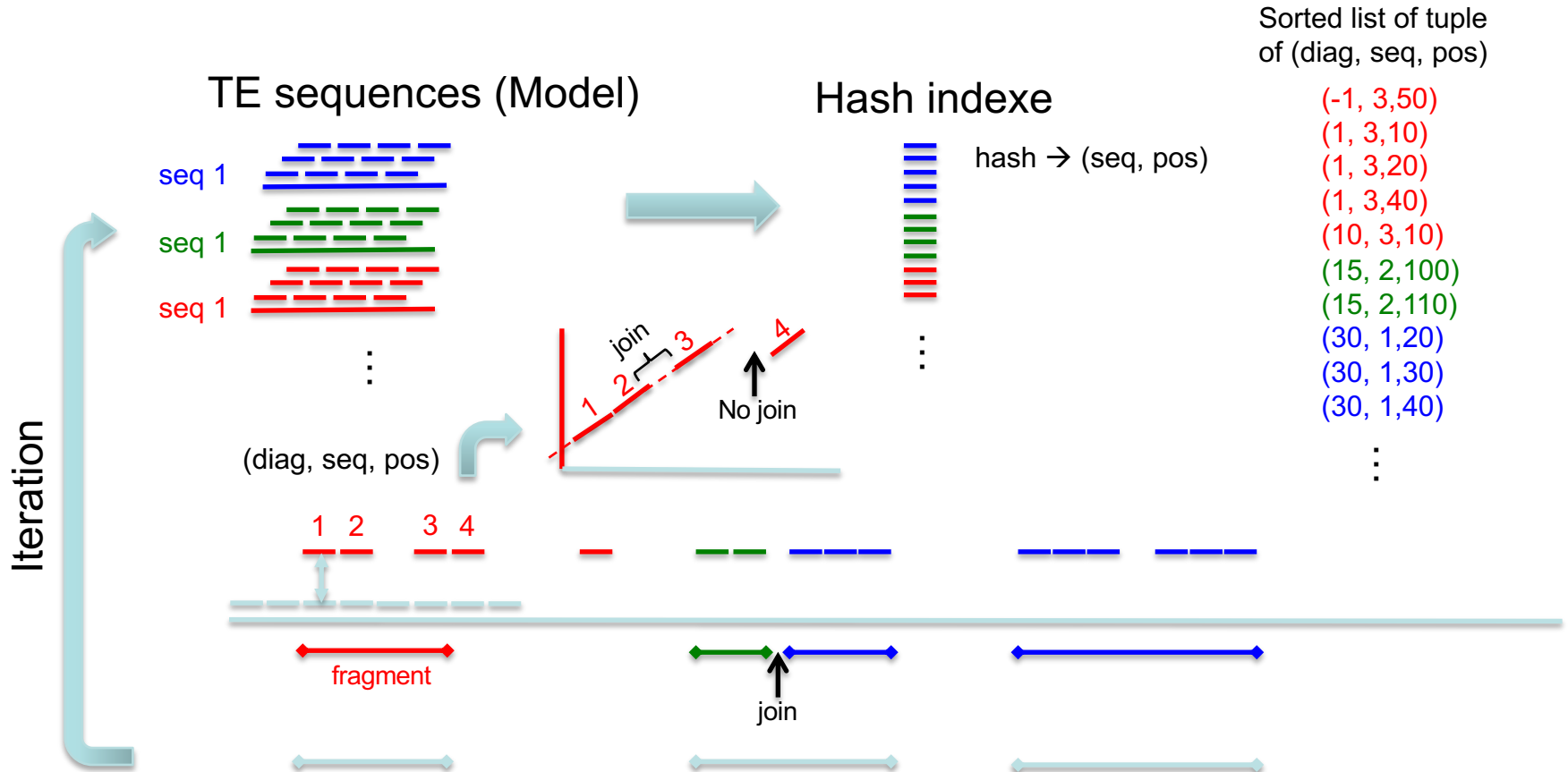
# Mixed strategy

- Use TE copies instead of TE consensus for annotation
  - Use annotation from many related species to take advantage of « cross-species annotation strategy »
- Need efficient algorithm for massive comparisons

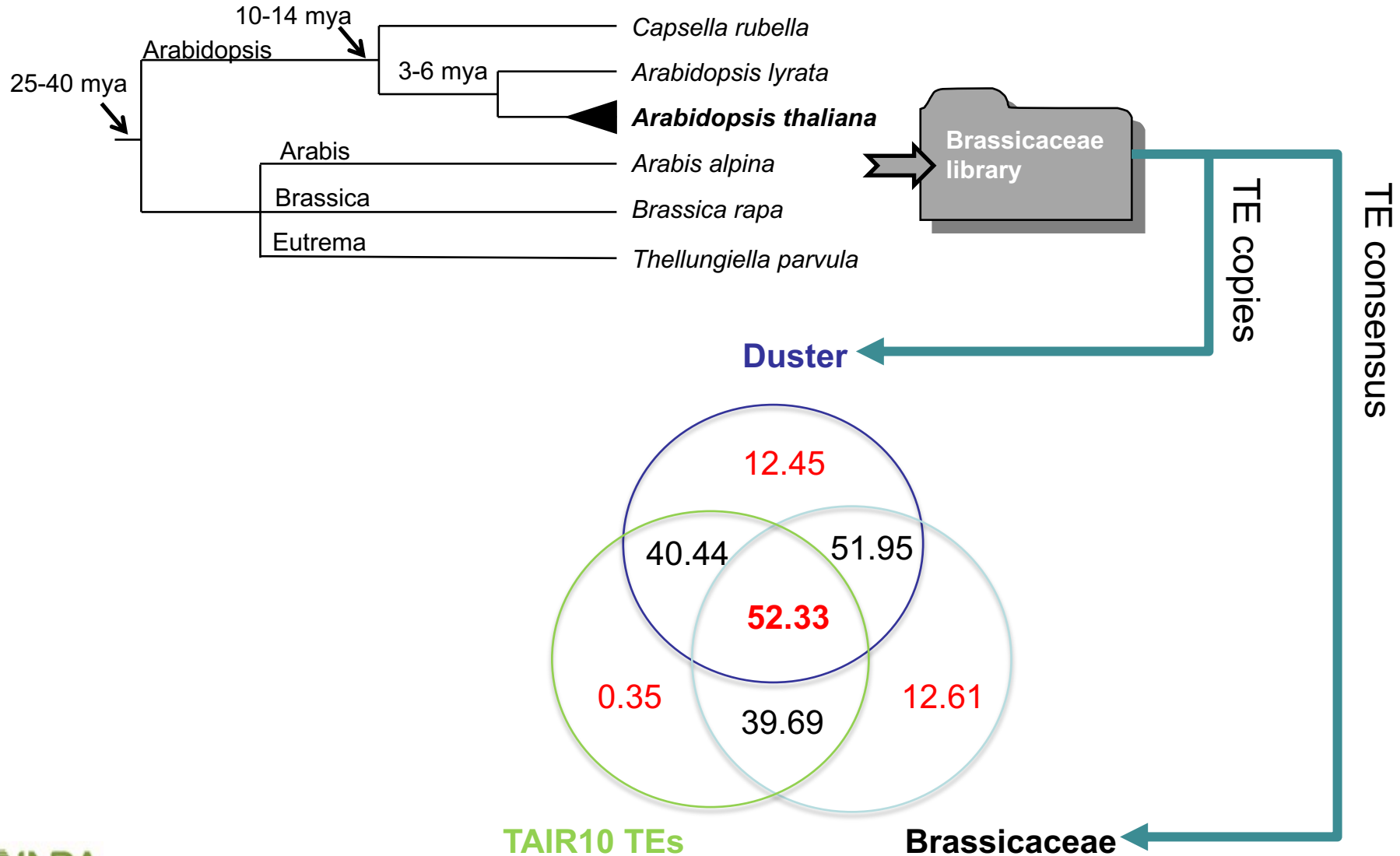


# Duster algorithm

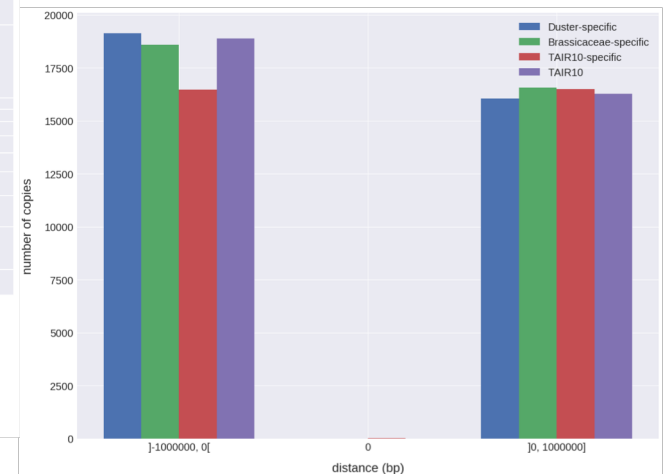
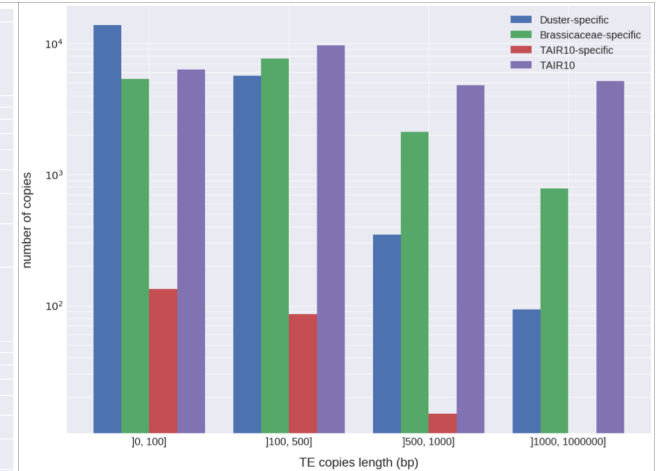
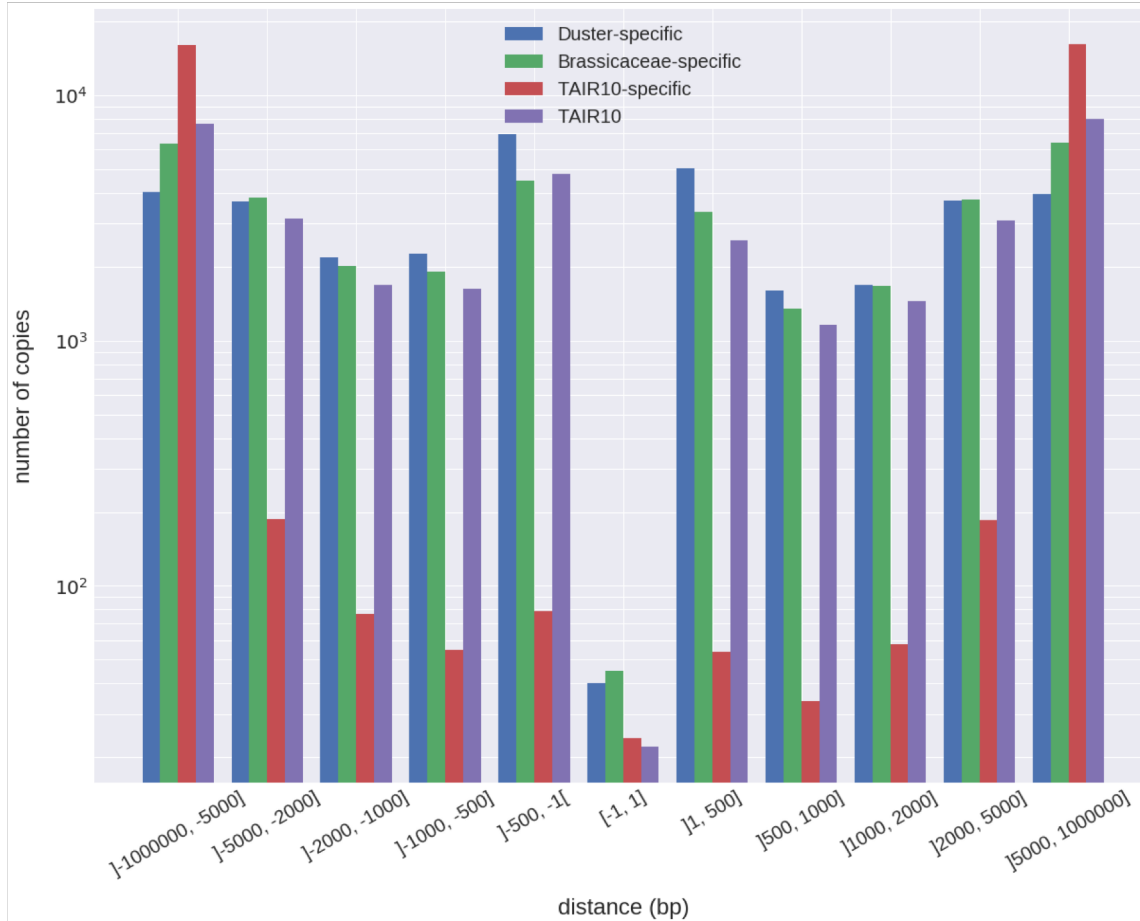
*k*-mer with regularly spaced holes



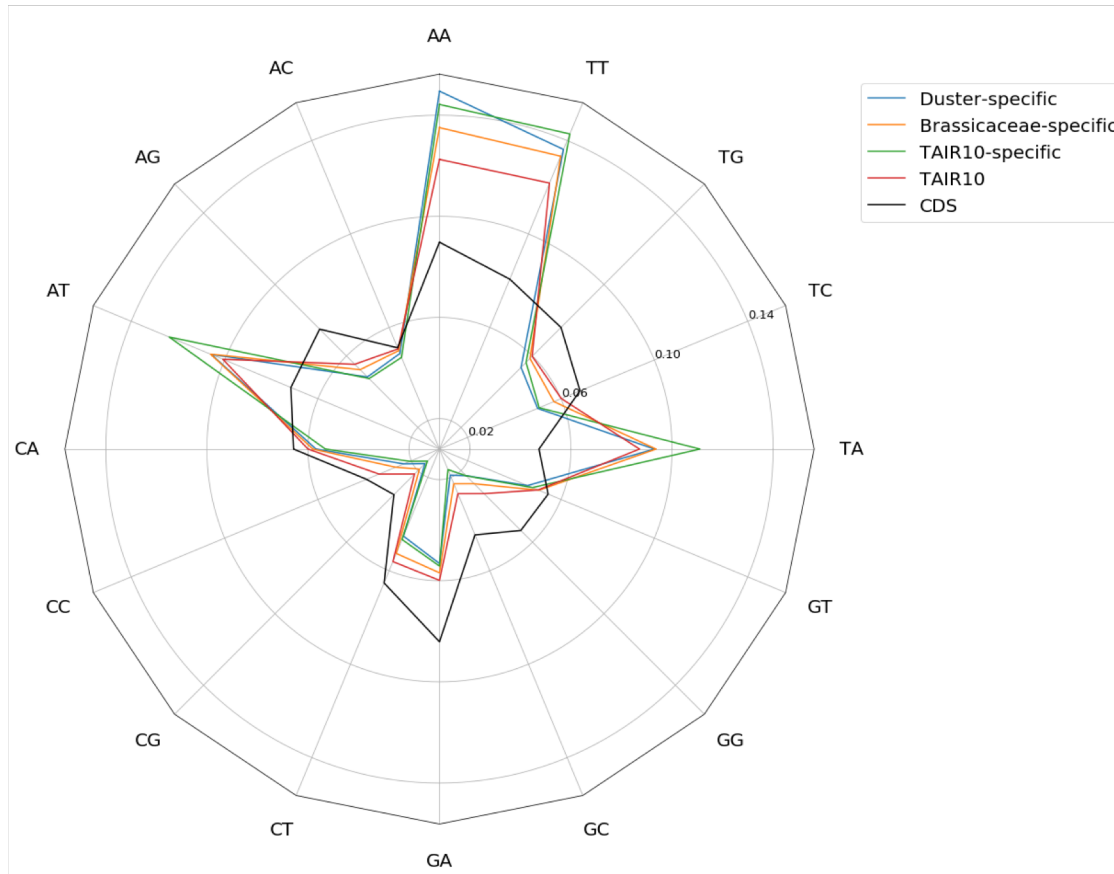
# Combining annotations



# Location to closest gene

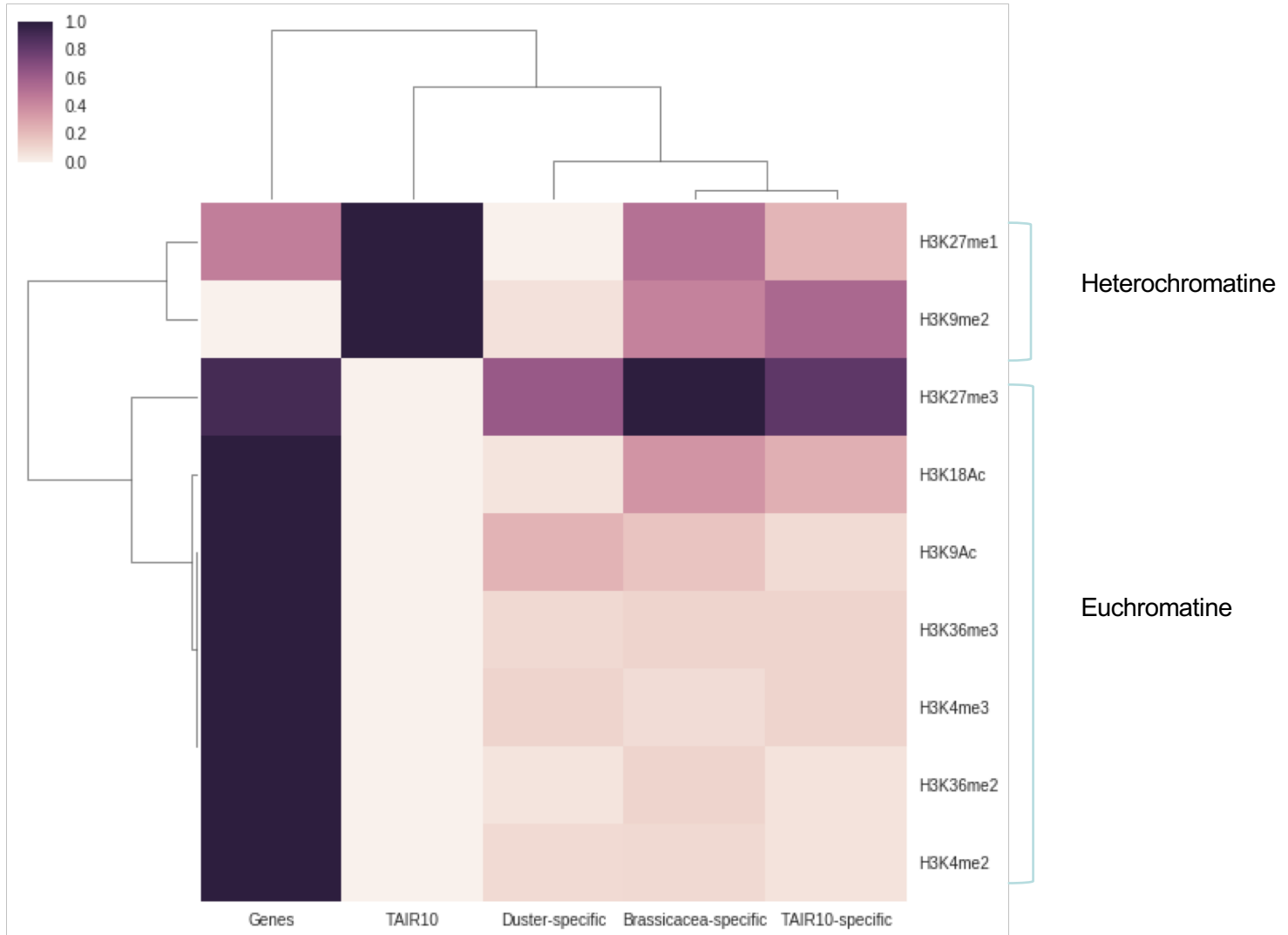


# Base composition

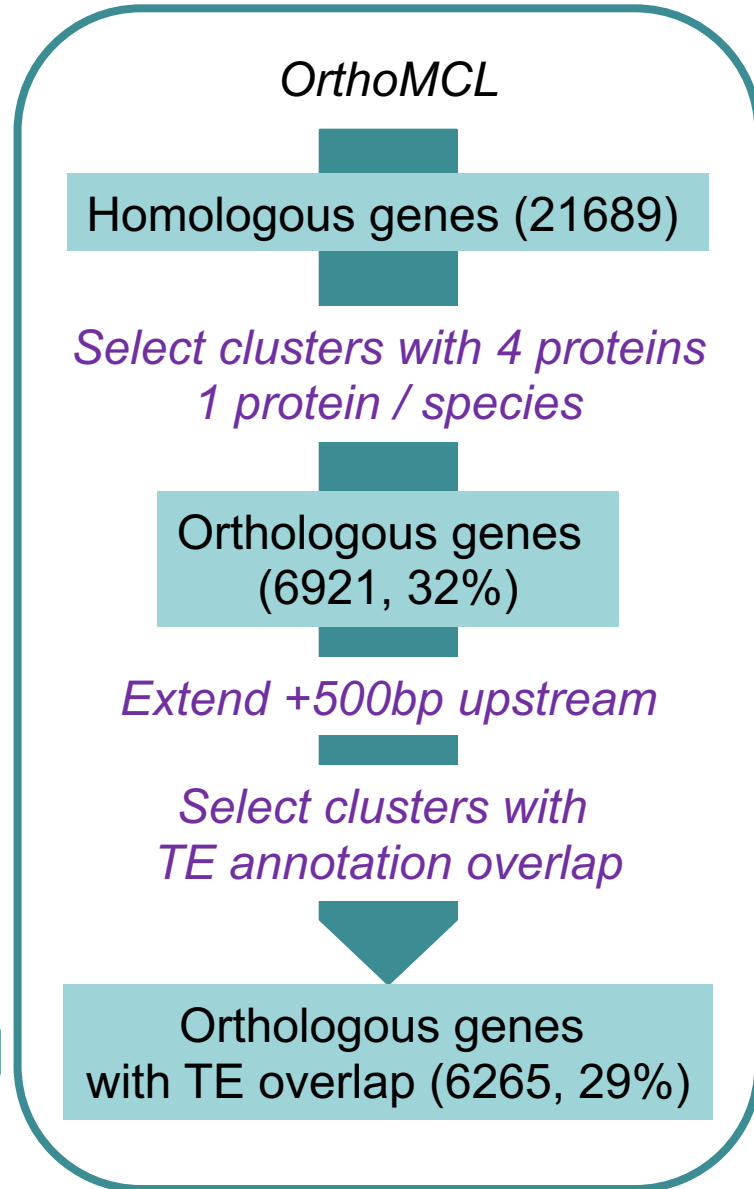
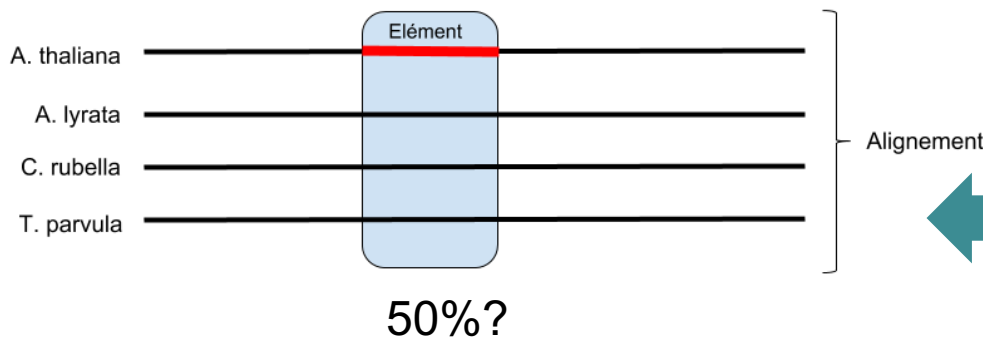
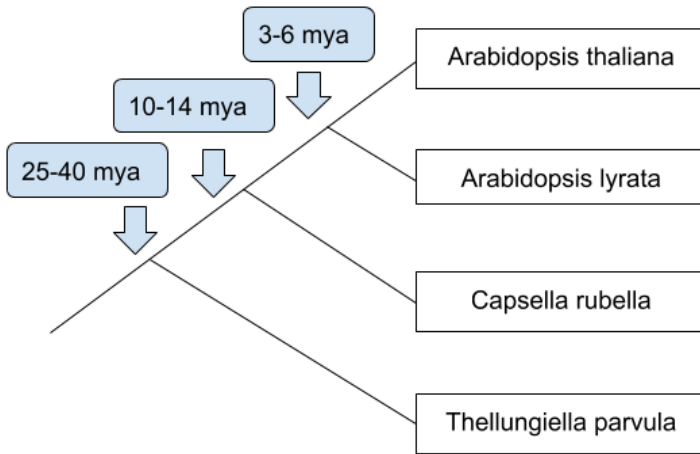


# Epigenetic status

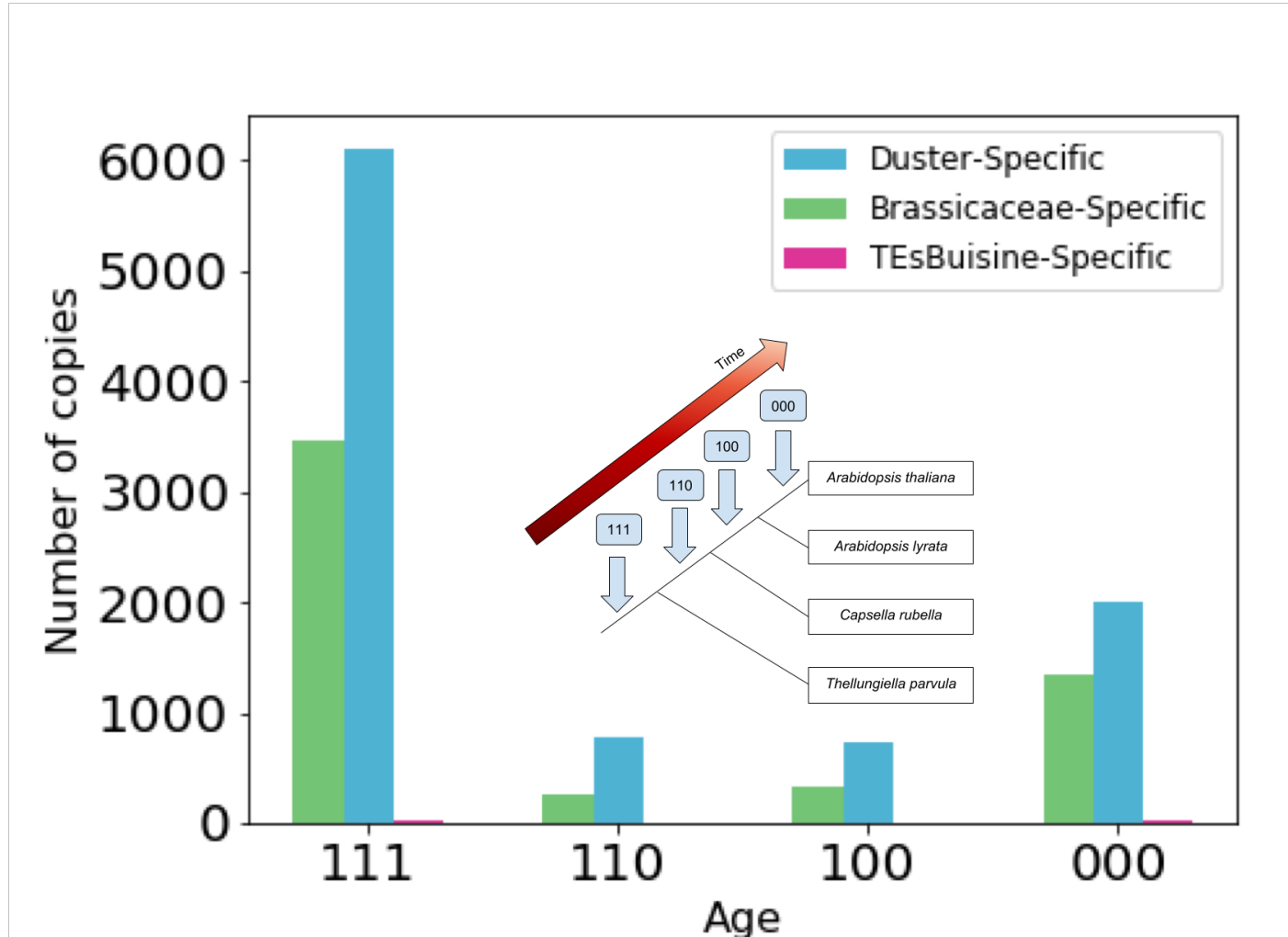
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# Conservation → Orthologs



# Age of insertion



# Conclusions

- ***Duster* more sensitive and faster than *BLAST* and *MegaBLAST* (not shown in this presentation)**
- **Up to ~50% of *A. thaliana* genome derives from TEs.**
  - ◆ Official annotation ~20%
- **Found old and degenerated TE fragments**
- **Upstream of genes**



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