



NanoBaseLib

A Multi-task Benchmark Dataset for Nanopore Sequencing

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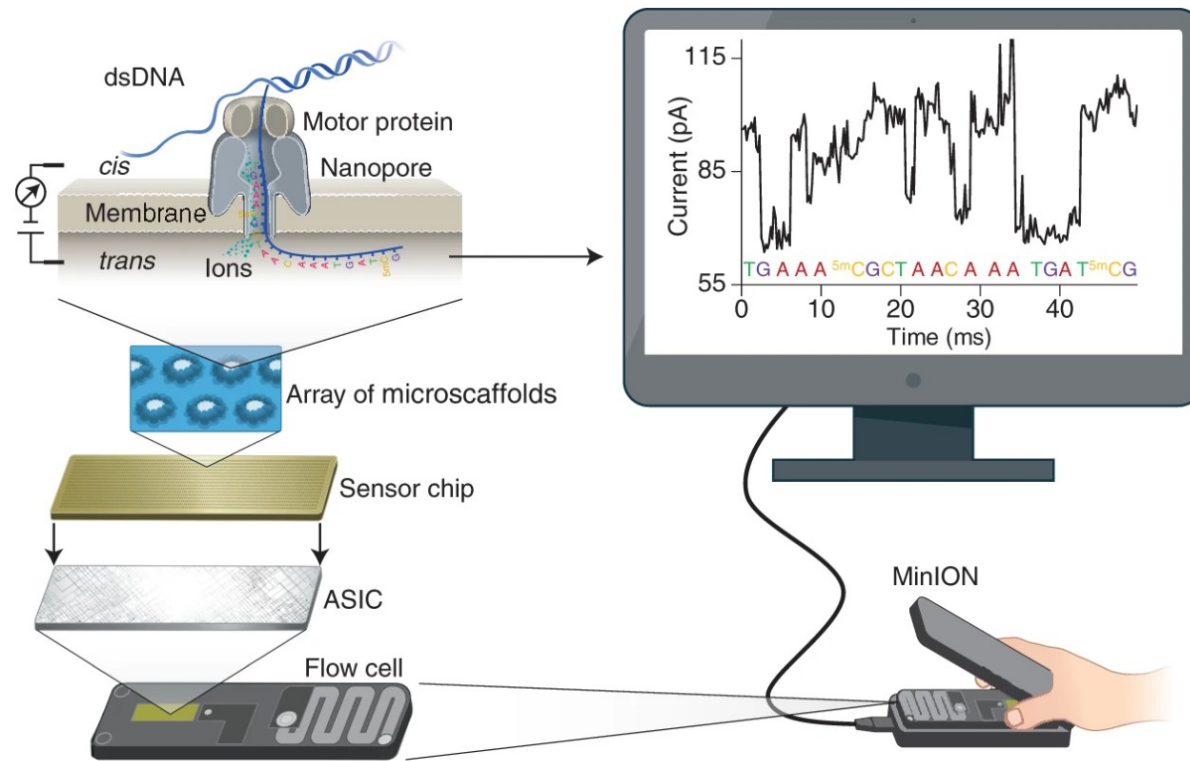
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Background: Nanopore Sequencing

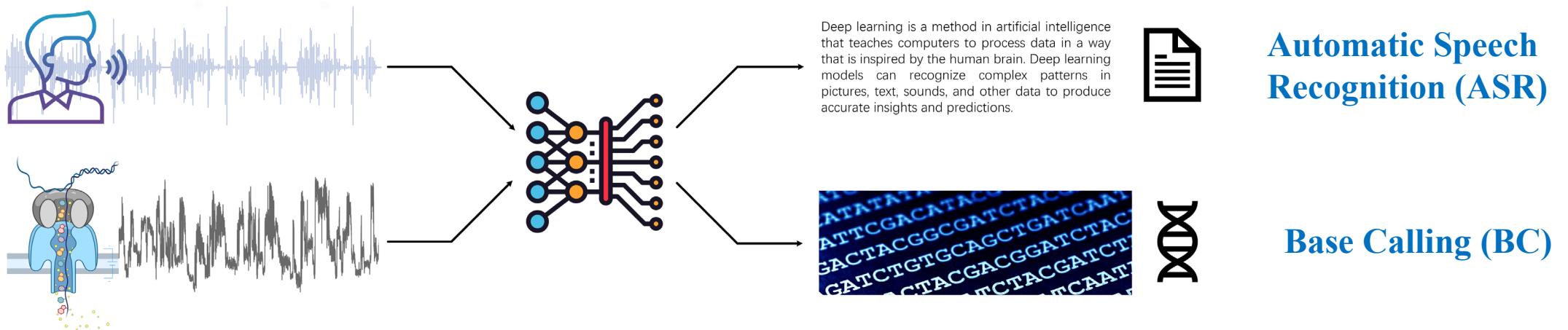
- Nanopore sequencing is the third-generation sequencing technology.



(Source of the figure: Wang, Yunhao, et al. 2021)

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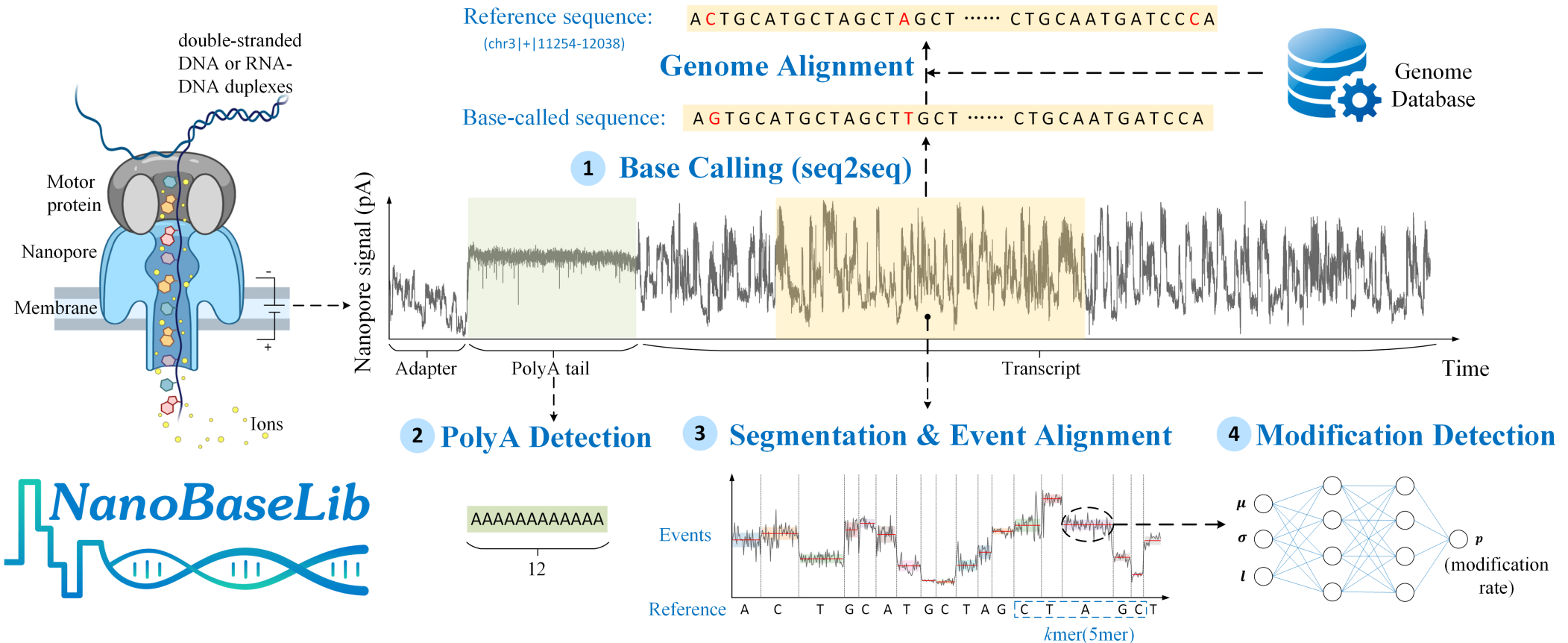
- Base Calling (BC) is the **seq2seq** model similar with Automatic Speech Recognition (ASR).



Motivation

- Dataset
 - Performance improvement needs larger dataset
 - Dataset are scattered in different repositories
 - ONT has released various versions of the pores (R6 ~ R10.4)
- Analysis
 - Different bioinformatic preprocessing workflows
 - Undermines the benchmarking fairness
- Ground truth
 - Various tasks requires lots of domain knowledge

NanoBaseLib: One Dataset, Multiple Tasks



NanoBaseLib: Dataset

- <https://nanobaselib.github.io/dataset.html>

Dataset	Raw Data			Task			
	Size (GB)	Species	Type	BC ¹	PD ²	SA ³	MD ⁴
ont_polya_standard	81	<i>Synthetic</i>	RNA	✓	✓	✓	✗
eGFP_polyA_DNA	43	<i>Synthetic</i>	cDNA	✓	✓	✓	✗
eGFP_polyA_RNA	529	<i>Synthetic</i>	RNA	✓	✓	✓	✗
lambda_phage	19	<i>Lambda phage</i>	DNA	✓	✗	✓	✗
NA12878	68	<i>Homo sapiens</i>	DNA	✓	✗	✓	✗
curlcake	584	<i>Synthetic</i>	RNA	✓	✗	✓	✓
scBY4741_m5C	37	<i>Synthetic</i>	RNA	✓	✗	✓	✓
scBY4741_hm5C	17	<i>Synthetic</i>	RNA	✓	✗	✓	✓
scBY4741_pU	4	<i>Synthetic</i>	RNA	✓	✗	✓	✓
hct116	346	<i>Homo sapiens</i>	RNA	✓	✗	✓	✓
hek293t_wt	224	<i>Homo sapiens</i>	RNA	✓	✗	✓	✓
hek293t_ko	356	<i>Homo sapiens</i>	RNA	✓	✗	✓	✗
mESCs_eligos	220	<i>Mus musculus</i>	RNA	✓	✗	✓	✓
ecoli_eligos	214	<i>Escherichia coli</i>	RNA	✓	✗	✓	✓
dinopore_ivt	15	<i>Synthetic</i>	RNA	✓	✗	✓	✓
dinopore_xenopus	399	<i>Xenopus laevis</i>	RNA	✓	✗	✓	✓

¹ Base calling, ² PolyA detection, ³ Segmentation and event alignment, ⁴ Modification detection.

(Modifications: m6A, m5C, hm5C, inosine, pseudouridine)

Benchmark: Base Calling (BC)

- Input: raw current signal sequence
- Output: DNA/RNA base sequence

Software	Developer		Type		Architecture		
	ONT	Third-party	DNA	RNA	Convolution	Encoder	Decoder
<i>Causalcall</i>	X	✓	✓	X	Causal Dilated CNN		CTC
<i>Rodan</i>	X	✓	X	✓	CNN		CTC
<i>Bonito</i>	✓	X	✓	✓	CNN	LSTM	CTC - CRF
<i>Dorado</i>	✓	X	✓	✓	CNN	Bi-LSTM	CTC - CRF

Table 2: DNA base calling performances on test dataset NA12878.

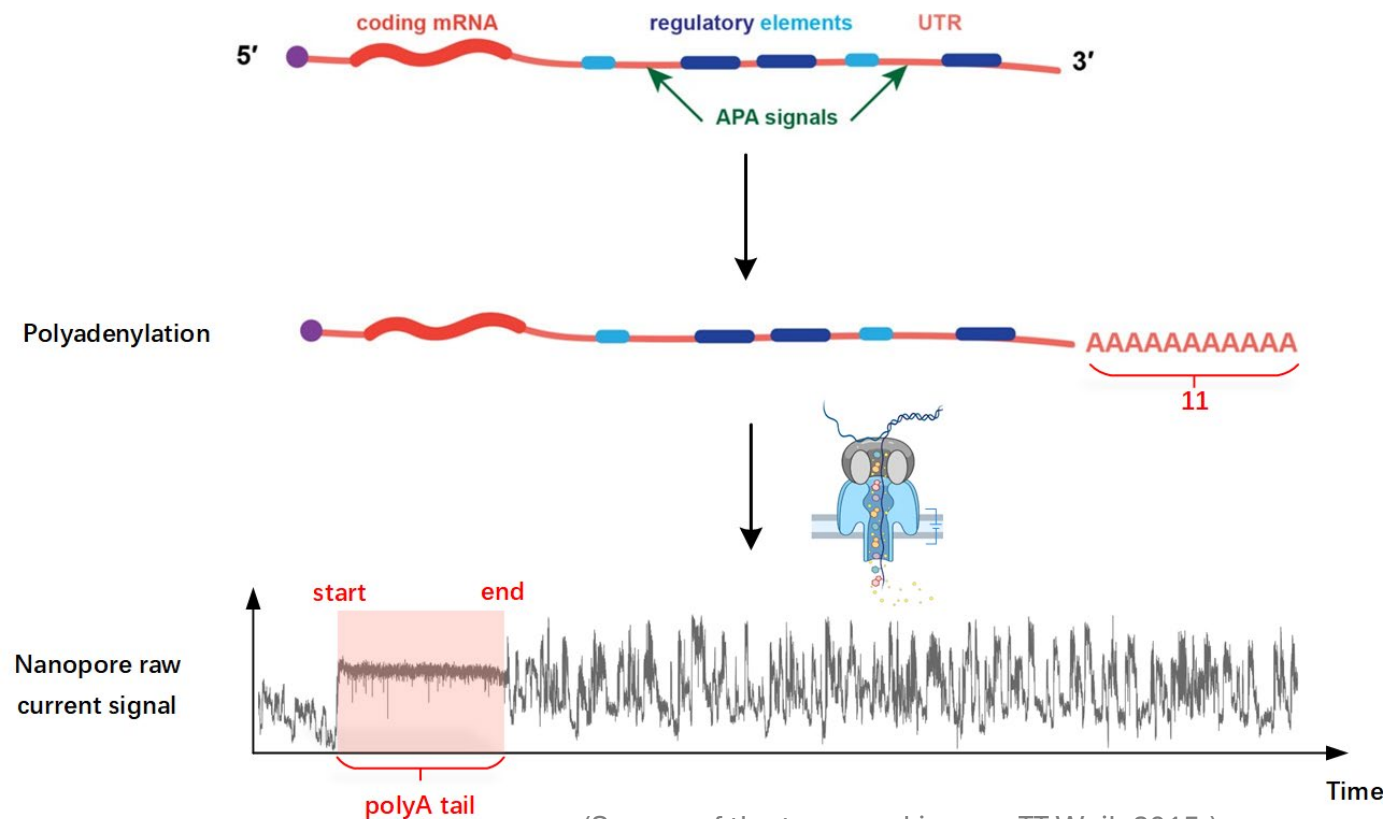
Model	$\frac{M}{Align} \uparrow$	$\frac{I}{Align} \downarrow$	$\frac{X}{Align} \downarrow$	$\frac{D}{Align} \downarrow$	$\frac{M}{Ref} \uparrow$	$\frac{I}{Ref} \downarrow$	$\frac{X}{Ref} \downarrow$	$\frac{D}{Ref} \downarrow$
Causalcall	84.30	0.82	4.11	10.77	84.41	0.82	4.12	10.79
Guppy(v2.3.1)	86.63	2.59	4.34	6.44	88.08	2.64	4.36	6.53
Guppy(v4.5.4)	91.93	1.97	2.68	3.42	93.27	2.01	2.71	3.48
Guppy(v6.0.1)	93.60	1.51	2.12	2.77	94.30	1.54	2.14	2.79
Bonito(v0.7.3)	93.35	1.56	2.23	2.86	94.13	1.59	2.25	2.90
Dorado(v0.5.3)	93.35	1.57	2.24	2.85	93.07	1.57	2.23	2.84
Dorado(v0.7.0)	93.47	1.54	2.18	2.81	93.17	1.55	2.17	2.80

Table 3: RNA base calling performances on test dataset hek293t_wt.

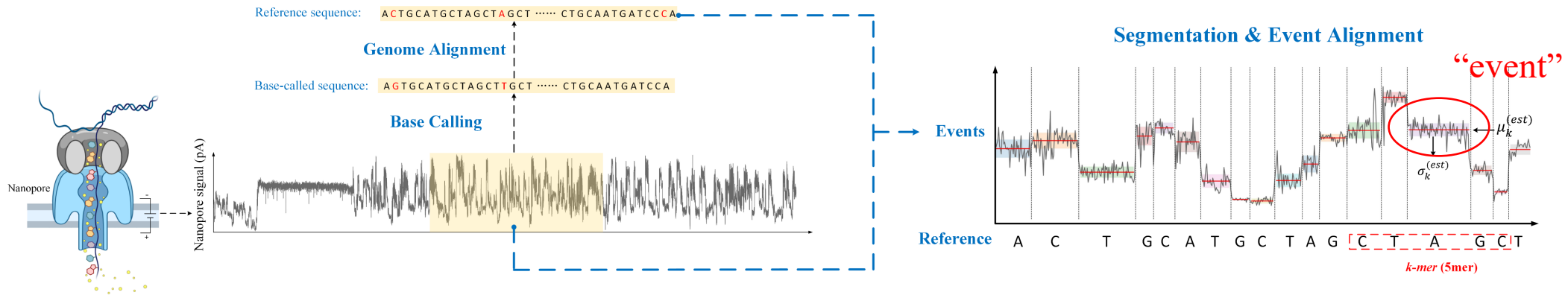
Model	$\frac{M}{Align} \uparrow$	$\frac{I}{Align} \downarrow$	$\frac{X}{Align} \downarrow$	$\frac{D}{Align} \downarrow$	$\frac{M}{Ref} \uparrow$	$\frac{I}{Ref} \downarrow$	$\frac{X}{Ref} \downarrow$	$\frac{D}{Ref} \downarrow$
Rodan	87.72	3.28	4.91	4.08	85.16	3.05	4.17	3.78
Guppy(v2.3.1)	85.67	3.59	4.46	6.29	88.06	3.74	4.54	6.43
Guppy(v4.5.4)	91.78	2.39	2.15	3.67	93.40	2.48	2.19	3.74
Guppy(v6.0.1)	91.78	2.39	2.15	3.67	93.40	2.48	2.19	3.74
Dorado(v0.5.3)	93.96	1.89	1.81	2.34	95.22	1.96	1.84	2.37
Dorado(v0.7.0)	93.74	1.95	1.92	2.40	95.01	2.02	1.94	2.43

Benchmark: PolyA Detection (PD)

- Polyadenylation is the addition of a poly(A) tail to an RNA transcript, typically a messenger RNA (mRNA).



Benchmark: Segmentation and event Alignment



- Evaluation metrics:

$$\hat{\sigma} = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=1}^N \left\{ \frac{1}{K_n} \sum_{k=1}^{K_n} \sigma_{s_n,k}^{(est)} \right\}$$

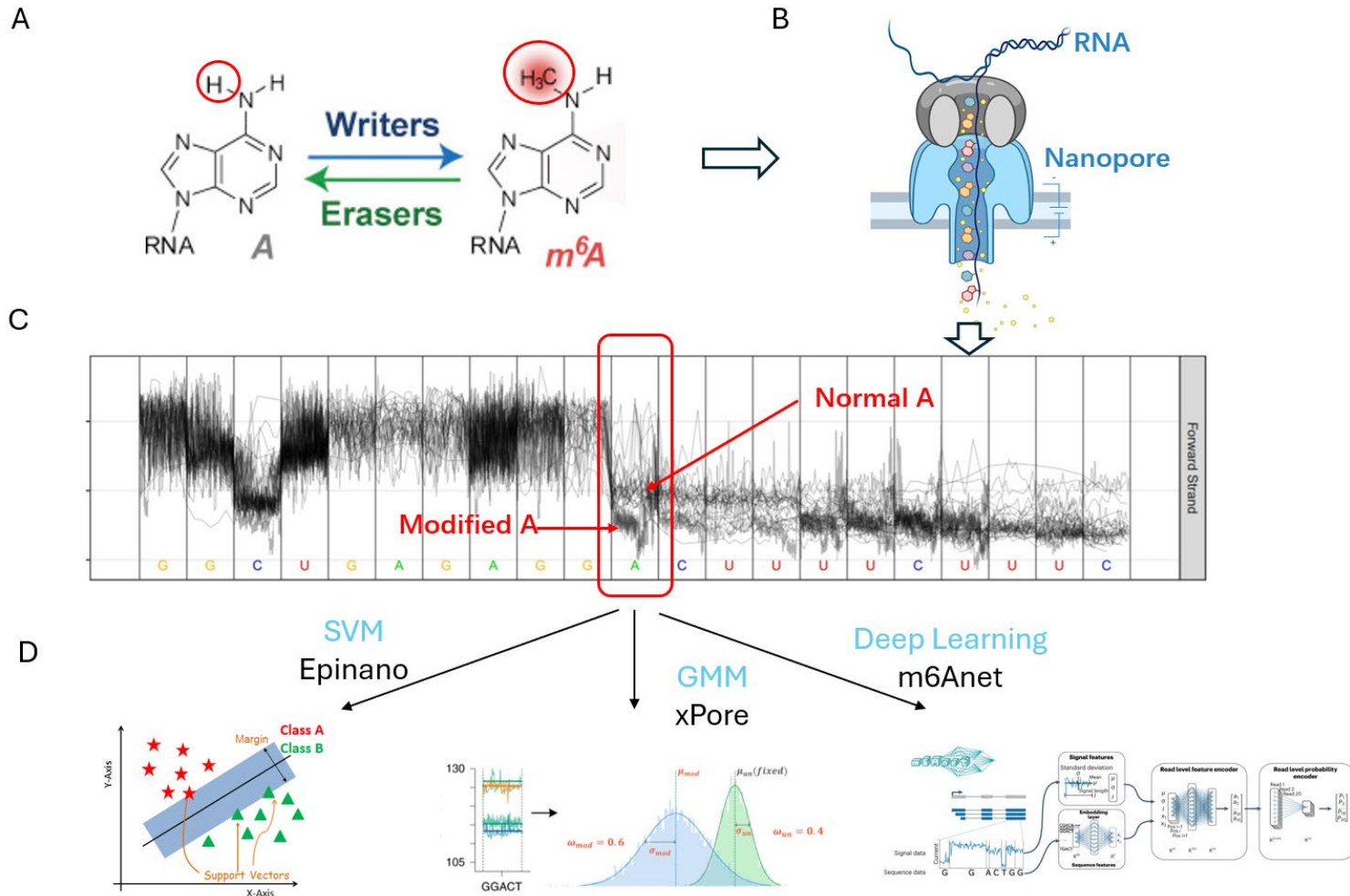
$$\hat{L} = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=1}^N \left\{ \frac{1}{K_n} \sum_{k=1}^{K_n} \log \mathcal{N} \left(\mu_{s_n,k}^{(est)} \mid \mu_{s_n,k}^{(ref)}, \sigma_{s_n,k}^{(ref)} \right) \right\}$$

“standard” kmer parameter table from ONT¹

1	kmer	level_mean	level_stdv
2	AAAAA	108.901413	2.676522
3	AAAAC	105.724444	2.676522
4	AAAAG	106.417182	2.676522
5	AAAAT	104.532801	2.676522
6	AAACA	82.446931	3.018476
7	AAACC	87.188010	3.018476
8	AAACG	84.463941	3.018476
9	AAACT	87.611027	3.018476
10	AAAGA	128.133534	5.559623

[1] https://github.com/nanoporetech/kmer_models

Benchmark: Modification Detection (MD)



(Source of the Figure A: Hailing Shi, et al. 2019. Source of the Figure D: Pratanwanich, Ploy N., et al. 2021, Hendra, Christopher, et al. 2022)

Summary

- One Dataset → Multiple Tasks

- ✓ NanoBaseLib is a **comprehensive dataset** integrating 16 public datasets with over 30 million reads.
- ✓ NanoBaseLib is a **benchmark platform** covering 4 critical tasks.
- ✓ NanoBaseLib is a **software package** designed to incorporate new datasets efficiently.



NanoBaseLib Website !