GenStore:
A High-Performance In-Storage Processing System for Genome Sequence Analysis

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Genome Sequence Analysis

- Genome sequence analysis is critical for many applications
  - Personalized medicine
  - Outbreak tracing
  - Evolutionary studies

- Genome sequencing machines extract smaller fragments of the original DNA sequence, known as reads
Genome Sequence Analysis

• **Read mapping**: first key step in genome sequence analysis
  - Aligns reads to potential matching locations in the reference genome
  - For each matching location, the alignment step finds the degree of similarity (alignment score)

Reference Genome

...GCCCATATGGTTAAGCTTCCATGGAAATGGGCTTTCGCTTCCACAAATG...

Differences

AAGCTTCCATGG  GCTTCCAGAATG
AAATGGGCGTCB  GCCCAAAYGGTY

Differences

• Calculating the alignment score requires computationally-expensive approximate string matching (ASM) to account for differences between reads and the reference genome due to:
  - Sequencing errors
  - Genetic variation

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Genome Sequence Analysis

Data Movement from Storage

Storage System

Main Memory

Cache

Computation Unit (CPU or Accelerator)

Alignment

Computation overhead

Data movement overhead
Accelerating Genome Sequence Analysis

- **Storage System**
- **Heuristics**
- **Accelerators**
- **Filters**
- **Main Memory**
- **Cache**
- **Computation Unit (CPU or Accelerator)**

**Computation overhead**

**Data movement overhead**

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Key Idea

Filter reads that do not require alignment inside the storage system

- **Exactly-matching reads**: Do not need expensive approximate string matching during alignment.
- **Non-matching reads**: Do not have potential matching locations and can skip alignment.

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Challenges

Filter reads that do not require alignment inside the storage system

- Storage System
- Main Memory
- Cache
- Computation Unit (CPU or Accelerator)

Filtered Reads

Read mapping workloads can exhibit different behavior

There are limited hardware resources in the storage system
GenStore

Filter reads that do not require alignment inside the storage system

GenStore-Enabled Storage System

Main Memory

Cache

Computation Unit (CPU or Accelerator)

✓ Computation overhead

✓ Data movement overhead

GenStore provides significant speedup (1.4x - 33.6x) and energy reduction (3.9x – 29.2x) at low cost
**Read Mapping Process**

Reference: ...

Read: GCCCAAATGGTT

K-mers: GCC, CCC, ...

**Index**

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Seeding
- Determine potential matching locations (seeds) in the reference genome

Seed Filtering (e.g., Chaining)
- Prune some seeds in the reference genome

Alignment
- Determine the exact differences between the read and the reference genome

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> 3 billion characters Seeds
Outline

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Motivation

• Case study on a real-world genomic read dataset
  - Various read mapping systems
  - Various state-of-the-art SSD configurations

The ideal in-storage filter significantly improves performance by

1) reducing the computation overhead
2) reducing the data movement overhead
Motivation

• Case study on a real-world genomic read dataset
  - Various read mapping systems
  - Various state-of-the-art SSD configurations

Filtering outside SSD provides lower performance benefit since it

1) does not reduce the data movement overhead
2) must compete with read mapping for system resources

A HW accelerator reduces the computation bottleneck, which makes I/O a larger bottleneck in the system
Our Goal

*Design an in-storage filter for genome sequence analysis in a cost-effective manner*

**Design Objectives:**

**Performance**

Provide high in-storage filtering performance to overlap the filtering with the read mapping of unfiltered data

**Applicability**

Support reads with 1) different properties and 2) different degrees of genetic variation in the compared genomes

**Low-cost**

Do not require significant hardware overhead
GenStore

- **Key idea:** Filter reads that do not require alignment inside the storage system

- **Challenges**
  - Different behavior across read mapping workloads
  - Limited hardware resources in the SSD
Filtering Opportunities

• Sequencing machines produce one of two kinds of reads
  - **Short reads:** highly accurate and short
  - **Long reads:** less accurate and long

**Reads that do not require the expensive alignment step:**

**Exactly-matching reads**
Do not need expensive approximate string matching during alignment

• Low sequencing error rates (short reads) combined with
• Low genetic variation

**Non-matching reads**
Do not have potential matching locations, so they skip alignment

• High sequencing error rates (long reads) or
• High genetic variation (short or long reads)
GenStore

GenStore-EM for Exactly-Matching Reads

GenStore-NM for Non-Matching Reads
GenStore

GenStore-EM for Exactly-Matching Reads

GenStore-NM for Non-Matching Reads
GenStore-EM

- Efficient in-storage filter for reads with at least one **exact match** in the reference genome
- Uses **simple operations**, without requiring alignment
- **Challenge:** large number of **random accesses per read** to the reference genome and its index

**Expensive random accesses** to flash chips

**Limited DRAM capacity** inside the SSD
GenStore-EM: Data Structures

- **Read-sized k-mers**: to reduce the number of accesses per each read

  ![Read-sized k-mers diagram]

- **Sorted read-sized k-mers**: to avoid random accesses to the index

  ![Sorted read-sized k-mers diagram]

  ✓ Only one index lookup per read

  ✓ Sequential scan of the read set and the index
# GenStore-EM: Data Structures

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**Read-sized K-mers**
GenStore-EM: Finding a Match

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Sorted K-mer Index

Comparator

Read = K-mer

Exact match $\rightarrow$ Filter the read
GenStore-EM: Not Finding a Match

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Comparator

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GenStore-EM: Not Finding a Match

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Comparator

Read < K-mer

Not an exact match → Send to read mapper
GenStore-EM: Not Finding a Match

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- ✔ Avoids random accesses
- ✔ Simple low-cost logic

Comparator

Read < K-mer

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GenStore-EM: Optimization

• Read-sized k-mer index takes up a large amount of space (126 GB for human index) due to the larger number of unique k-mers

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Using strong hash values instead of read-sized k-mers reduces the size of the index by 3.9x.
GenStore-EM: Design

Steps 1 and 2 are pipelined. During filtering, GenStore-EM sends the unfiltered reads to the host system.

Data is evenly distributed between channels, dies, and planes to leverage the full internal bandwidth of the SSD.
GenStore

GenStore-EM for **Exactly-M**atching Reads

GenStore-**NM** for **Non-M**atching Reads
GenStore-NM

- Efficient chaining-based in-storage filter to prune most of the non-matching reads

### Seeding
- Determine potential matching locations (seeds) in the reference genome

### Seed Filtering (e.g., Chaining)
- Prune some seeds in the reference genome

### Alignment
- Determine the exact differences between the read and the reference genome

- **Challenge:** how to perform chaining inside the SSD
  - Costly dynamic programming on many seeds in each read
  - Particularly challenging for long reads with many seeds

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GenStore-NM: Mechanism

- GenStore-NM uses a **light-weight chaining filter**
  - Selectively performs chaining only on reads with a **small number of seeds**
  - Directly sends reads that require more **complex chaining to the host system**

**Graph:**

- **Alignment Probability** against **Number of seeds per read**
- Reads with a sufficiently large number of seeds are very **likely to align** to the reference genome

**Checkmark:**

- Filters many non-aligning reads without costly hardware resources in the SSD

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Details on GenStore-NM’s design are in the paper
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Evaluation Methodology

Read Mappers

• **Base:** state-of-the-art software or hardware read mappers
  - Minimap2 [Bioinformatics’18]: software mapper for short and long reads
  - GenCache [MICRO’19]: hardware mapper for short reads
  - Darwin [ASPLOS’18]: hardware mapper for long reads

• **GS:** Base integrated with GenStore

SSD Configurations

• **SSD-L:** with SATA3 interface (0.5 GB/s sequential read bandwidth)
• **SSD-M:** with PCIe Gen3 interface (3.5 GB/s sequential read bandwidth)
• **SSD-H:** with PCIe Gen4 interface (7 GB/s sequential read bandwidth)
Performance – GenStore-EM

For a read set with 80% exactly-matching reads

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2.1x - 2.5x speedup compared to the software Base

1.5x – 3.3x speedup compared to the hardware Base

On average 3.92× energy reduction
Performance – GenStore-NM

For a read set with 99.7% non-matching reads

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On average 27.2x energy reduction
Area and Power

• Based on Synthesis of GenStore accelerators using the Synopsys Design Compiler @ 65nm technology node

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Only 0.006% of a 14nm Intel Processor, less than 9.5% of the three ARM processors in a SATA SSD controller
Other Results in the Paper

• Effect of read set features on performance
  - Data size (up to 440 GB)
  - Filter ratio

• Performance benefit of an implementation of GenStore outside the SSD
  - In some cases, it provides performance benefits due more efficient streaming accesses
  - Provides significantly lower benefit compared to GenStore

• More detailed characterization of non-matching reads across different read mapping use cases and species
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Conclusion

- There has been significant effort into improving read mapping performance through efficient heuristics, hardware acceleration, accurate filters

- **Problem**: while these approaches address the computation overhead, none of them alleviate the **data movement overhead** from storage

- **Goal**: improve the performance of genome sequence analysis by effectively reducing unnecessary data movement from the storage system

- **Idea**: filter reads that do not require the expensive alignment computation in the storage system to fundamentally reduce the data movement overhead

- **Challenges**:
  - Read mapping workloads can exhibit different behavior
  - There are limited available hardware resources in the storage system

- **GenStore**: the first in-storage processing system designed for genome sequence analysis to reduce both the computation and data movement overhead

- **Key Results**: GenStore provides significant **speedup (1.4x - 33.6x)** and energy reduction (3.9x – 29.2x) at low cost
# SAFARI P&S Courses on Genomics (I)

## Genome Sequencing on Mobile Devices

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Accelerating Genome Analysis with FPGAs, GPUs, and New Execution Paradigms
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Backup Slides
End-to-End Workflow of Genome Sequence Analysis

• There are three key initial steps in a standard genome sequencing and analysis workflow
  - Collection, preparation, and sequencing of a DNA sample in the laboratory
  - Basecalling
  - Read mapping

• Genomic read sets can be obtained by
  - Sequencing a DNA sample and storing the generated read set into the SSD of a sequencing machine
  - Downloading read sets from publicly available repositories and storing them into an SSD

• We focus on optimizing the performance of read mapping because sequencing and basecalling are performed only once per read set, whereas read mapping can be performed many times
  - Analyzing the differences between a reads from an individual and many reference genomes of other individuals
  - Repeating the read mapping step many times to improve the outcome of read mapping

• Improving read mapping performance is critical in almost all genomic analyses that use sequencing
  - 45% of the execution time when discovering sequence variants in cancer genomics studies
  - 60% of the execution time when profiling the species composition of a multi-species (i.e., metagenomic) read
Motivation
Motivation

State-of-the-art software read mapper, Minimap2

Base integrated with a software filter that prunes 80% of exactly-matching reads

Base integrated with an ideal in-storage filter
**Motivation**

Low-end SSD with SATA3 interface (0.5 GB/s)

High-end SSD with PCIe Gen4 interface (7 GB/s)

Data preloaded in DRAM, with no I/O overhead

Execution time [sec]

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Benefits of Ideal In-Storage Filter

The ideal in-storage filter significantly improves performance by

1) Reducing computation overhead
2) Reducing data movement overhead
I/O has a **significant impact** on application performance which can be alleviated at the cost of **expensive** storage devices and interfaces.
Overheads of Software Mappers

SW-filter provides limited benefits compared to Base

The filtering process outside the SSD must compete with the read mapping process for the resources in the system.
Overheads of Hardware Mappers

Even the high-end SSD does not fully alleviate the storage bottleneck.

The ideal in-storage filter significantly improves performance.
Ideal-OSF

- Execution time of an ideal in-storage filter:

\[ T_{\text{Ideal-ISF}} = T_{\text{I/O-Ref}} + \max \{ T_{\text{I/O-Unfiltered}}, T_{\text{RM-Unfiltered}} \} \]

- Execution time of an ideal outside-storage filter:
  - 60% slower than Ideal-ISF in our analysis

\[ T_{\text{Ideal-OSF}} = T_{\text{I/O-Ref}} + \max \{ T_{\text{I/O-All-Reads}}, T_{\text{RM-Unfiltered}} \} \]
Comparison to PIM

• Even though read mapping applications could also benefit from other near-data, in-storage processing can fundamentally address the data movement problem by filtering large, low-reuse data where the data initially resides.

• Even if an ideal accelerator achieved a zero execution time, there would still exist the need to bring the data from storage to the accelerator.
  - 2.15x slower than the execution time that Ideal-ISF+ACC provides in our motivational analysis.

In-storage filter can be integrated with any read mapping accelerator, including PIM accelerators, to alleviate their data movement overhead.
## Long Read Use Cases

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<th>Input read set (Short/Long)</th>
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FTL: Metadata

• GenStore metadata includes the mapping information of the data structures necessary for read mapping acceleration.

• In accelerator mode, GenStore also keeps in internal DRAM other metadata structures of the regular FTL.
  - Examples include the page status table and block read counts which need to be updated during the filtering process.

• We carefully design GenStore to only sequentially access the underlying NAND flash chips while operating as an accelerator.
  - Requires only a small amount of metadata to access the stored data.
FTL: Data Placement

• GenStore needs to properly place its data structures to enable the **full utilization of the internal SSD bandwidth**

• When each data structure is initially written to the SSD, GenStore **sequentially and evenly** distributes it across NAND flash chips

• GenStore can specify the physical location of a 30-GB data structure by maintaining only the list of 1,250 (30 GB/24 MB) physical block addresses

• It significantly reduces the size of the necessary mapping information from **300 MB** (with conventional 4-KiB page mapping) to only **5 KB** (1,250 4 bytes)
FTL: SSD Management Tasks

- In accelerator mode, GenStore only reads data structures to perform filtering, and does not write any new data
- GenStore does not require any write-related SSD-management tasks such as garbage collection and wear-leveling

- The other tasks necessary for ensuring data reliability can be done before or after the filtering process
- GenStore significantly limits the amount of data whose retention age would exceed the manufacturer-specified threshold since GenStore’s filtering process takes a short time.
- GenStore-FTL can easily avoid read disturbance errors for data with high read counts since GenStore sequentially reads NAND flash blocks only once during filtering
Data Sizes

• Conventional k-mer index in Minimap2 + reference genome: 7 GB (k = 15)

• Read-sized k-mer index before optimization: 126 GB (k = 150)

• Read-sized k-mer index after optimization: 32 GB (k = 150)
SSD Specs

• **SSD-L:** SATA3 interface (**0.5 GB/s** sequential read)
  - 1.2 GB/s per channel bandwidth
  - 8 channels

• **SSD-L:** PCIe Gen3 M.2 interface (**3.5 GB/s** sequential read)
  - 1.2 GB/s per channel bandwidth
  - 16 channels

• **SSD-L:** PCIe Gen4 interface (**7 GB/s** sequential read)
  - 1.2 GB/s per channel bandwidth
  - 16 channels
Evaluation Methodology

• **Performance modeling**
  - Ramulator for DRAM timing
  - MQSim for SSD timing
  - We model the end-to-end throughput of GenStore based on the throughput of each GenStore pipeline stage
    • Accessing NAND flash chips
    • Accessing internal DRAM
    • Accelerator computation
    • Transferring unfiltered data to the host

• **Real system results**
  - AMD EPYC 7742 CPU
  - 1TB DDR4 DRAM
  - AMD μProf
GenStore-NM

GenStore-Enabled SSD

Host System

# of Seeds ≥ N

High chaining score

M ≤ # of Seeds < N

Chaining-Based Filter (Filters low-score reads)

Seed Count-Based Filter (Filters if # of Seeds < M)

① Seed Finder
K-mer Window
Hash Acc.
Location Buffer

② K-mers
Hash Acc.
Location Buffer

③ Query
KmerIndex
DRAM

④ Seeds
Input
Read Set
Flash Array

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Chaining Processing Element

Best score $S_1, \ldots, S_l$

$S_i$ length
$S_i$ pos. in ref.
$S_j$ pos. in ref.

$S_i$ pos. in read
$S_j$ pos. in read

$w_i$, $x_i$, $x_j$, $y_i$, $y_j$

$\alpha$ (match score)

$\beta$ (gap penalty)

Chaining-Based Filter

f(i)
GenStore-EM

GS-Ext provides significant performance improvements over both Base and SIMD in SSD-M and SSD-H.

GS-Ext provides limited benefits over SIMD in SSD-L due to low external I/O bandwidth.
GS-Ext performs significantly slower than Base (2.28x - 1.91x) on all systems.
Effect of Inputs on GenStore-EM

\[ DM\_Saving = \frac{Size_{Ref} + Size_{ReadSet}}{Size_{Ref} + Size_{ReadSet} \times (1 - Ratio_{Filter})} \]

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[Bar chart showing the normalized execution time for different input scenarios]
Effect of Inputs on GenStore-NM

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