Compressive Pangenomics using PanMANs

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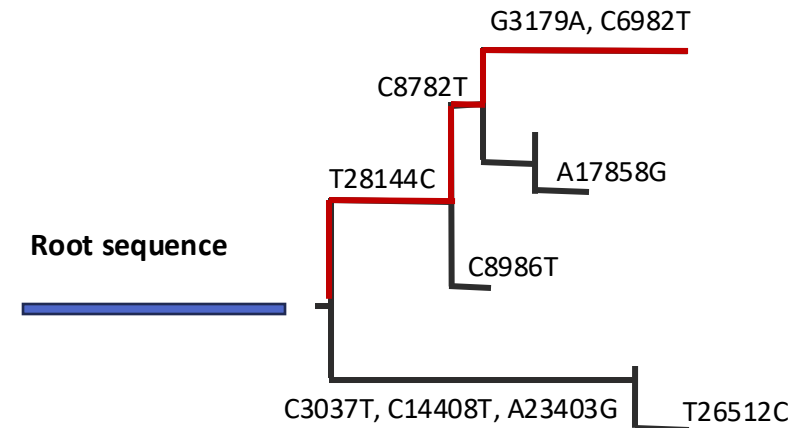https://www.biorxiv.org/content/10.1101/2024.07.02.601807v1
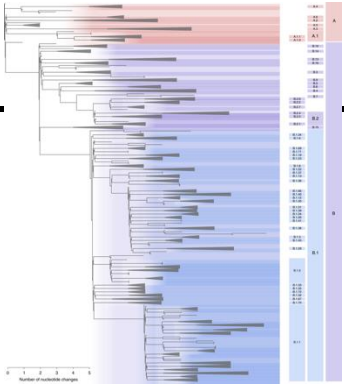
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MAT: The data structure powering UShER

- **MAT**: mutation-annotated tree

- Stores:
  - **Tree topology** corresponding to the inferred phylogeny
  - A single **root sequence** (could be the reference genome)
  - **Mutations** inferred on each branch

- **Property:** sequence corresponding to every tip or internal node of the tree can be derived from the root sequence and the mutations on its path to the root
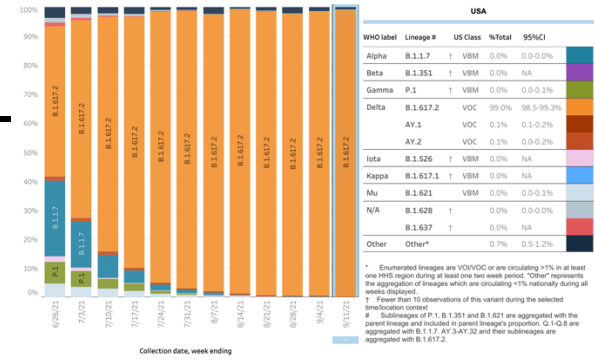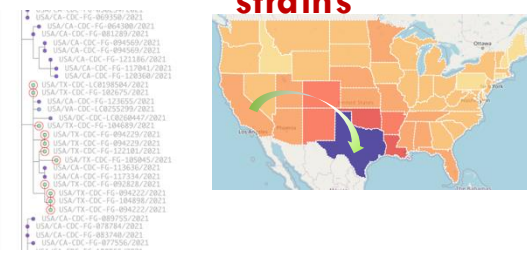
Naming lineages

(Rambaut et al., Nat. Microbiol. 2020)
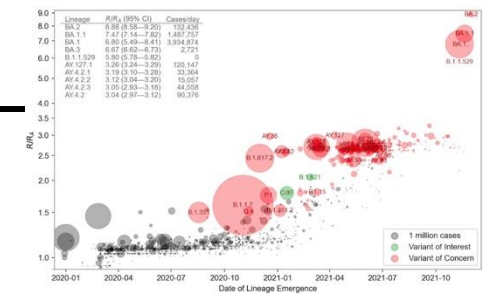
Monitoring circulating lineages

(CDC.gov dashboard 2021)

Identify newly-introduced strains
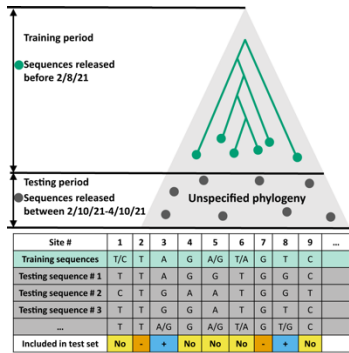

(McBroome et al., Virus Evol. 2022)

Predicting fitness of a new strain

(Obermeyer et al., Science 2022)
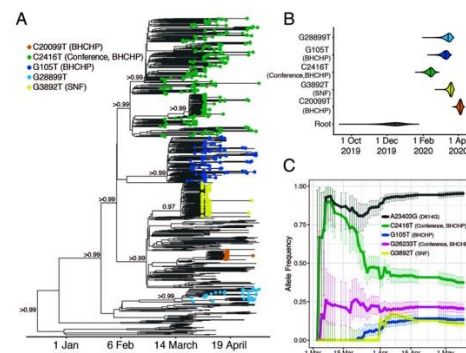

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Predicting the next mutation

(Hallak et al., Nat. Comm Biol. 2022)

Analyze outbreaks and superspreader events
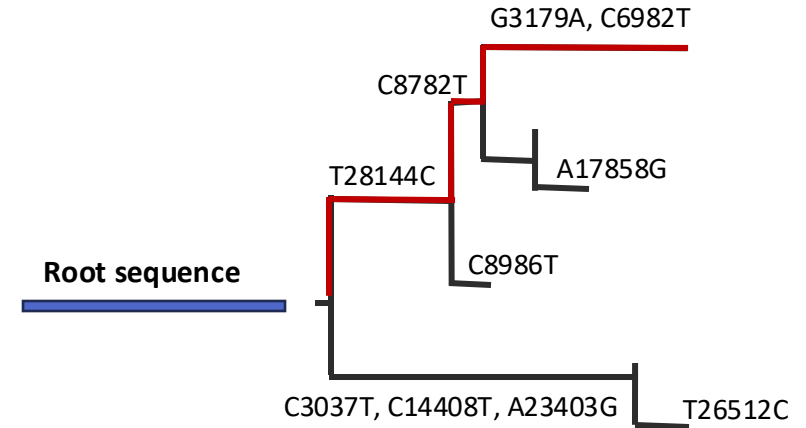

(Lemieux et al., Science 2021)

Wastewater surveillance

(Karthikeyan et al., Nature 2022)

Limitations of UShER-MAT

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S2 : **T**GCT**GC**T

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- Restricted to a single **tree topology** – cannot represent complex mutations (e.g., recombination or horizontal gene transfer) violating the vertical mode of evolution

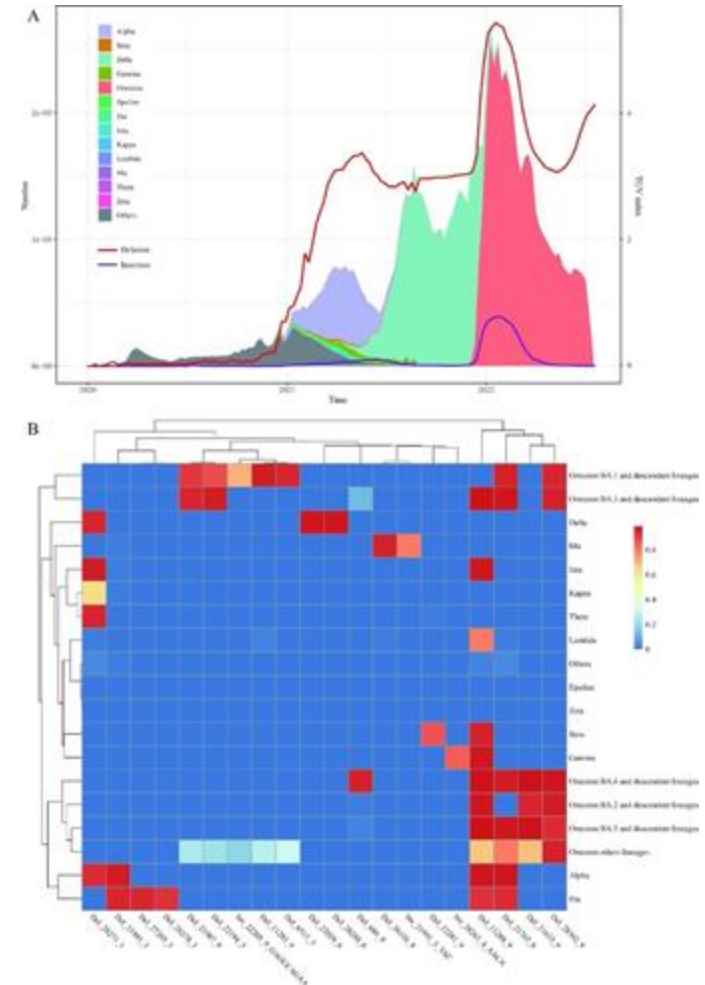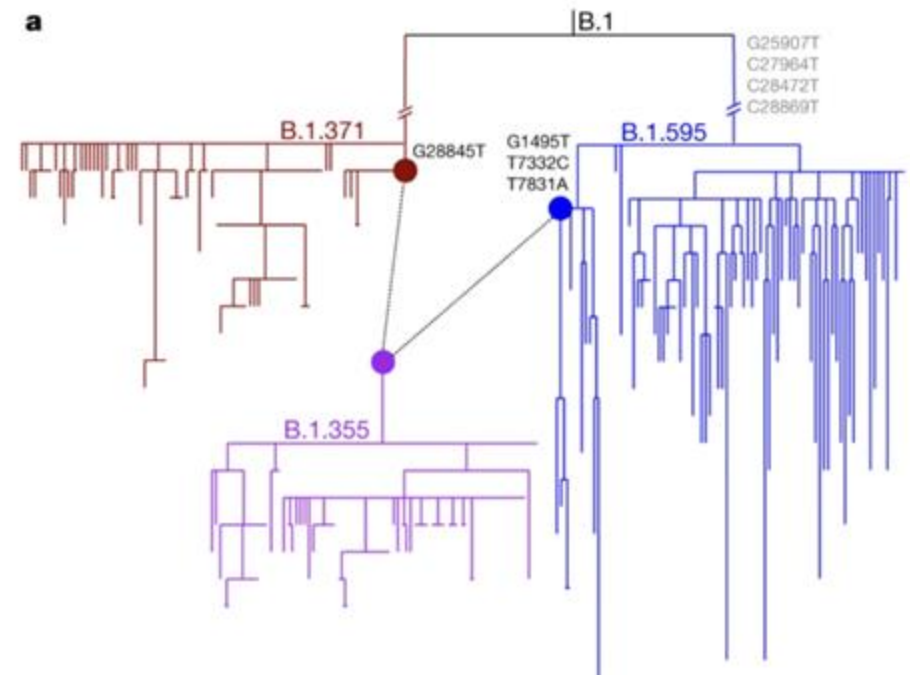# Summary of features in Pangenome formats

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Inferred MSA, Phylogeny, and **mutations** all in **one format!**
PanMAN is not just **information-rich** but also more **compact** and **scalable**
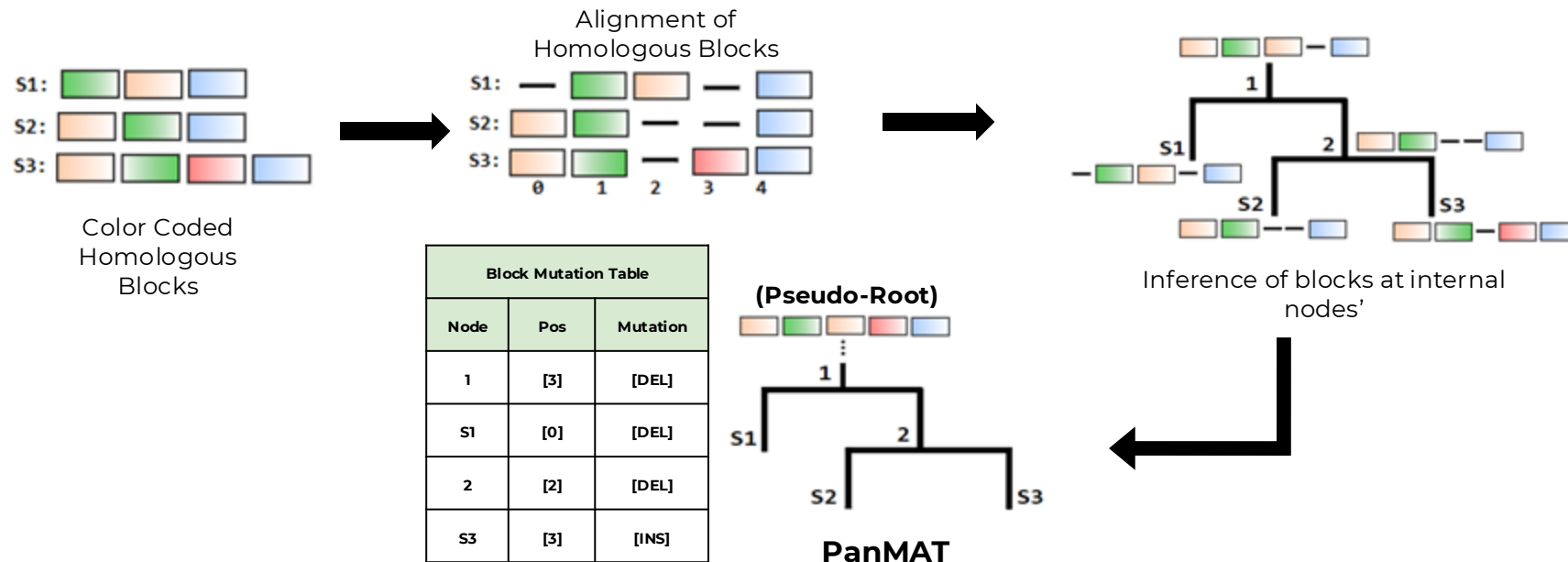
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- Incorporating insertions and deletions (indels) into a MAT
  - MSA defines the coordinate system
  - Gaps treated as special characters

Multiple Sequence Alignment

Phylogenetic Tree

Fitch / PastML

Inference of sequence at internal nodes

Root Sequence

PanMAT

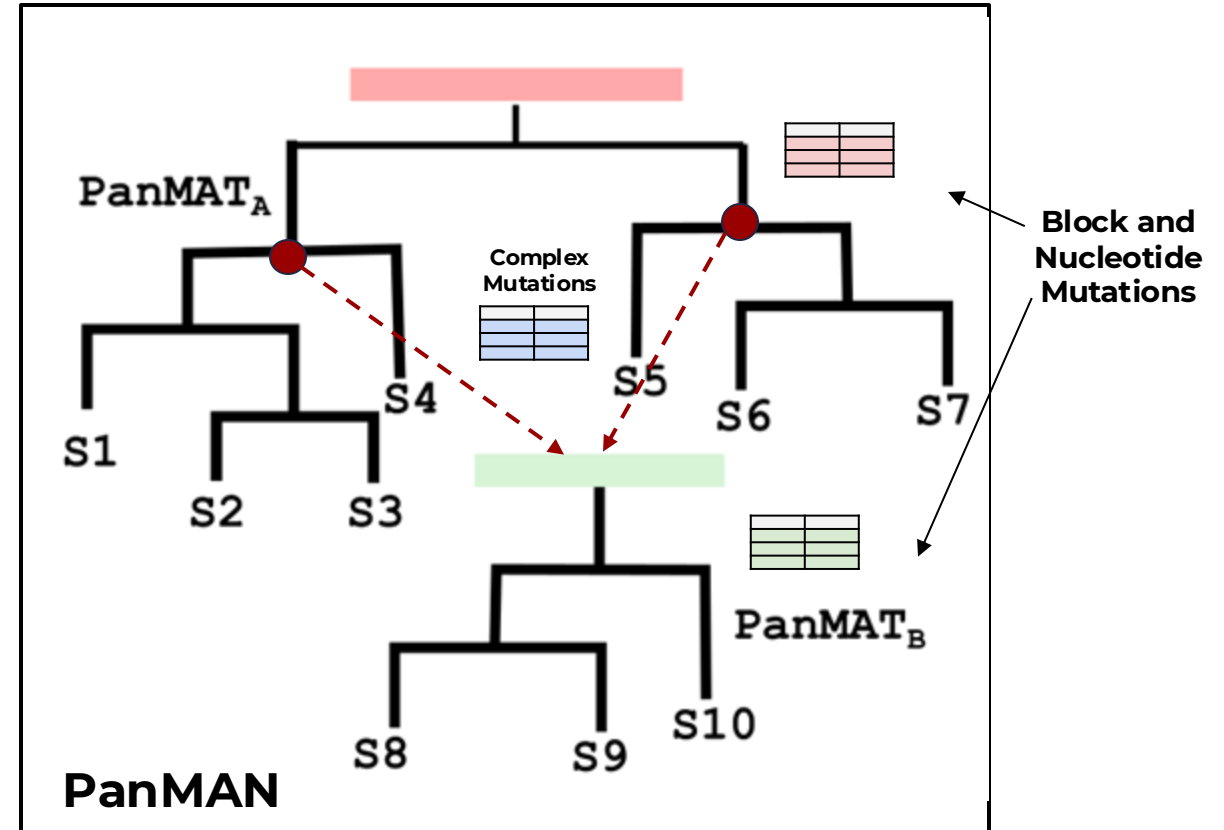| Nucleotide Mutation Table		
Node	Pos	Allele
S1	[0,3,4]	[-,G,C]
2	[6,9]	[A,-]
S2	[8]	[-]

PanMAT: Pangenome Mutation-Annotated Tree

- Incorporating **structural changes** and **rearrangements**
    - Identify homologous blocks
    - MSA of homologous blocks
    - Block mutations are like substitutions to or from gaps

Color Coded Homologous Blocks

Alignment of Homologous Blocks

Inference of blocks at internal nodes'

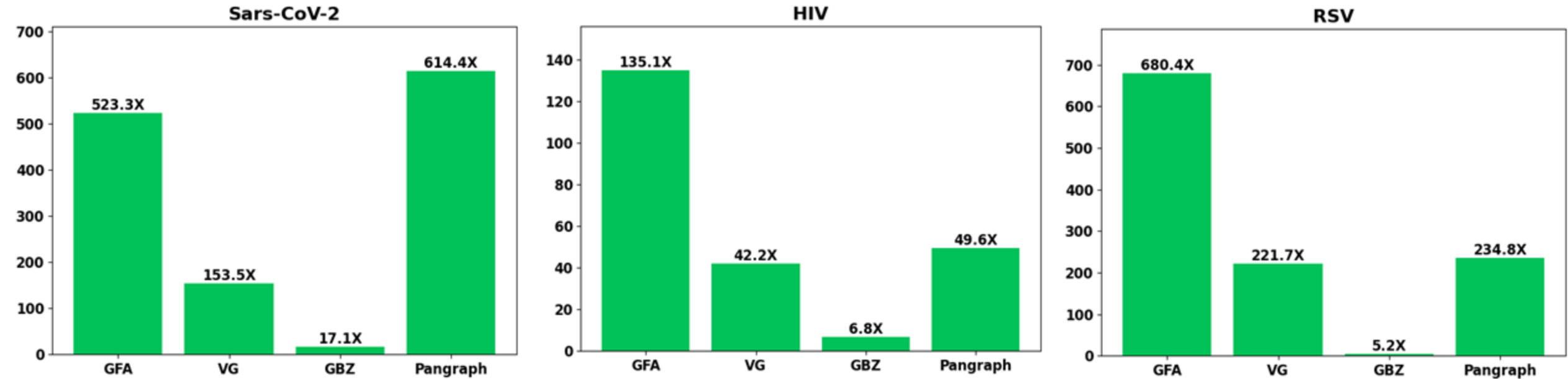| Block Mutation Table		
Node	**Pos**	**Mutation**
1	[3]	[DEL]
S1	[0]	[DEL]
2	[2]	[DEL]
S3	[3]	[INS]

(Pseudo-Root)

PanMAT

PanMAN: Pangenome Mutation-Annotated Network

- **PanMAN:** Generalization of PanMAT to represent **complex mutations**

- One or more PanMATs are connected with network edges (red dotted lines)

- Network Edges stores complex mutations (blue table), i.e., Horizontal Gene Transfer (HGT) and Recombination
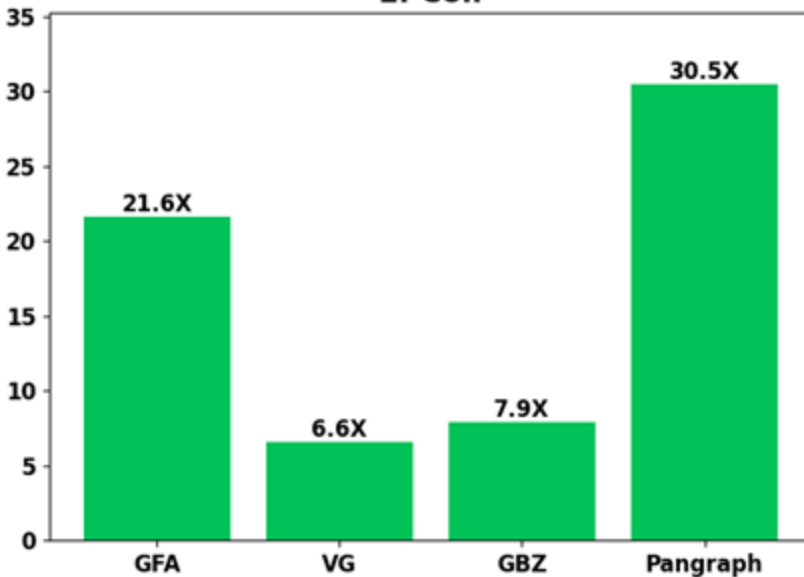
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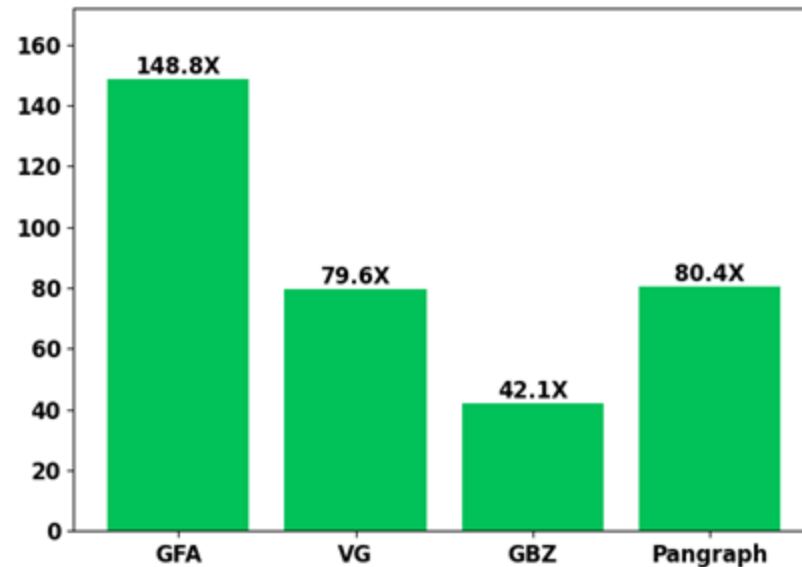**Compression achieved by PanMAN compared to other formats**

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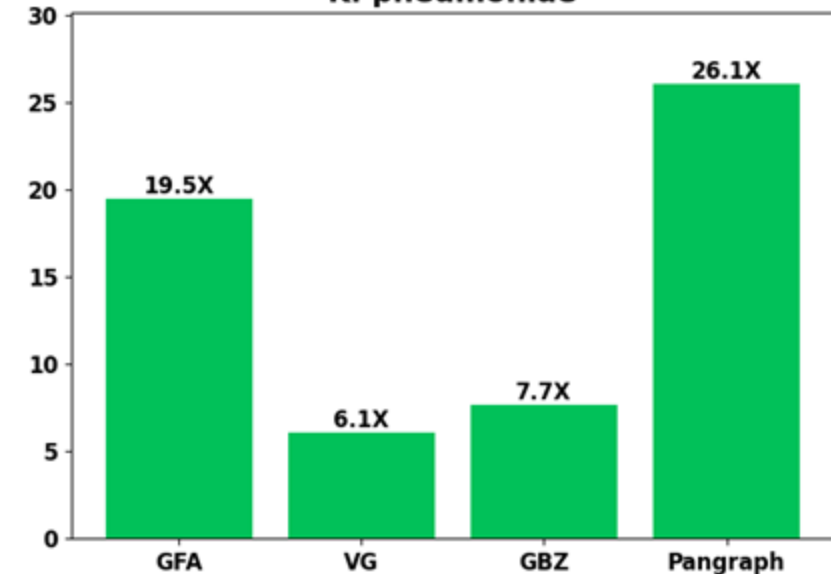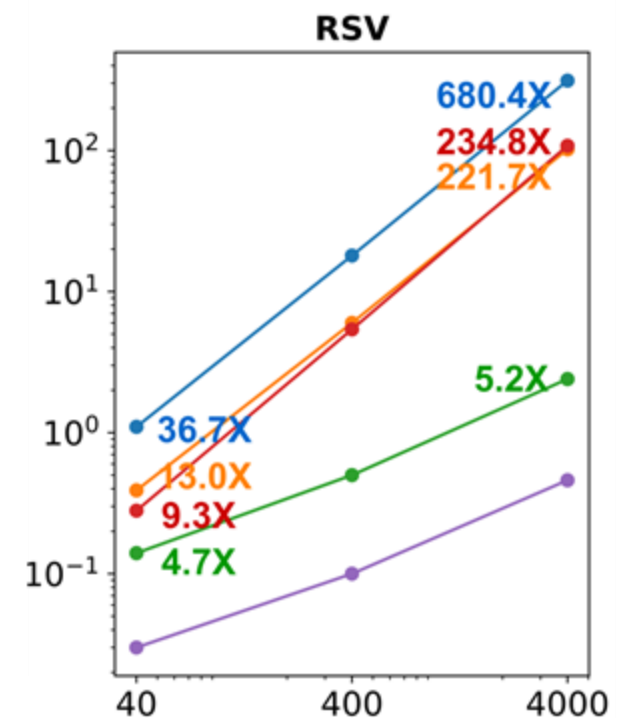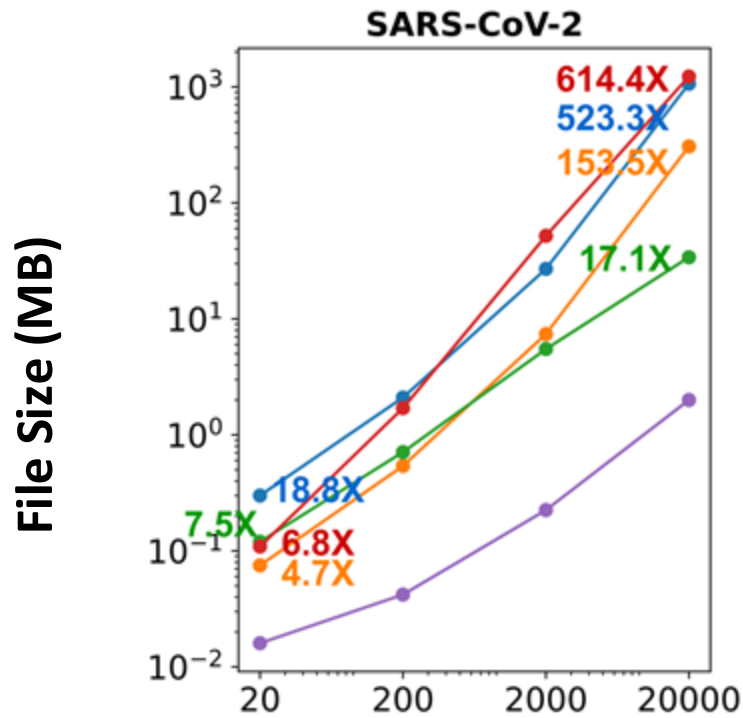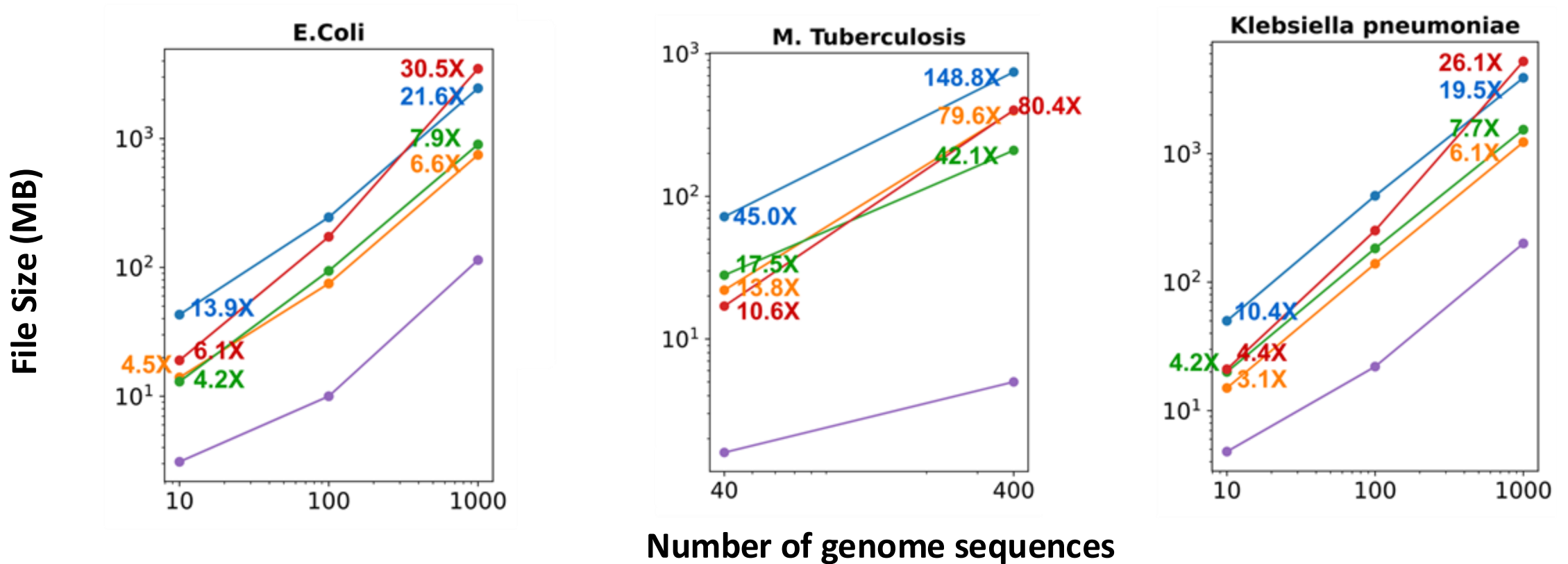
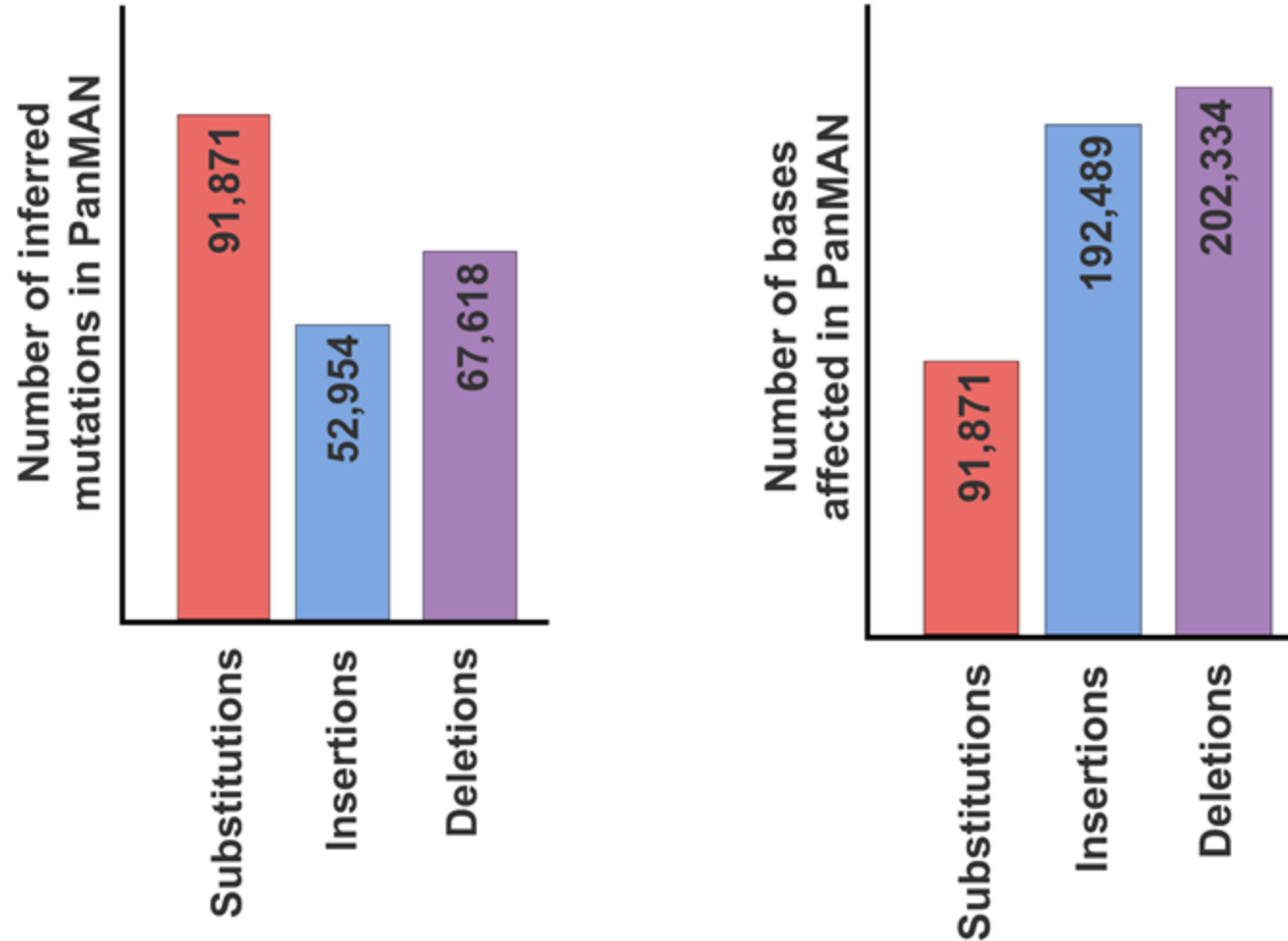**Compression achieved by PanMAN compared to other formats**

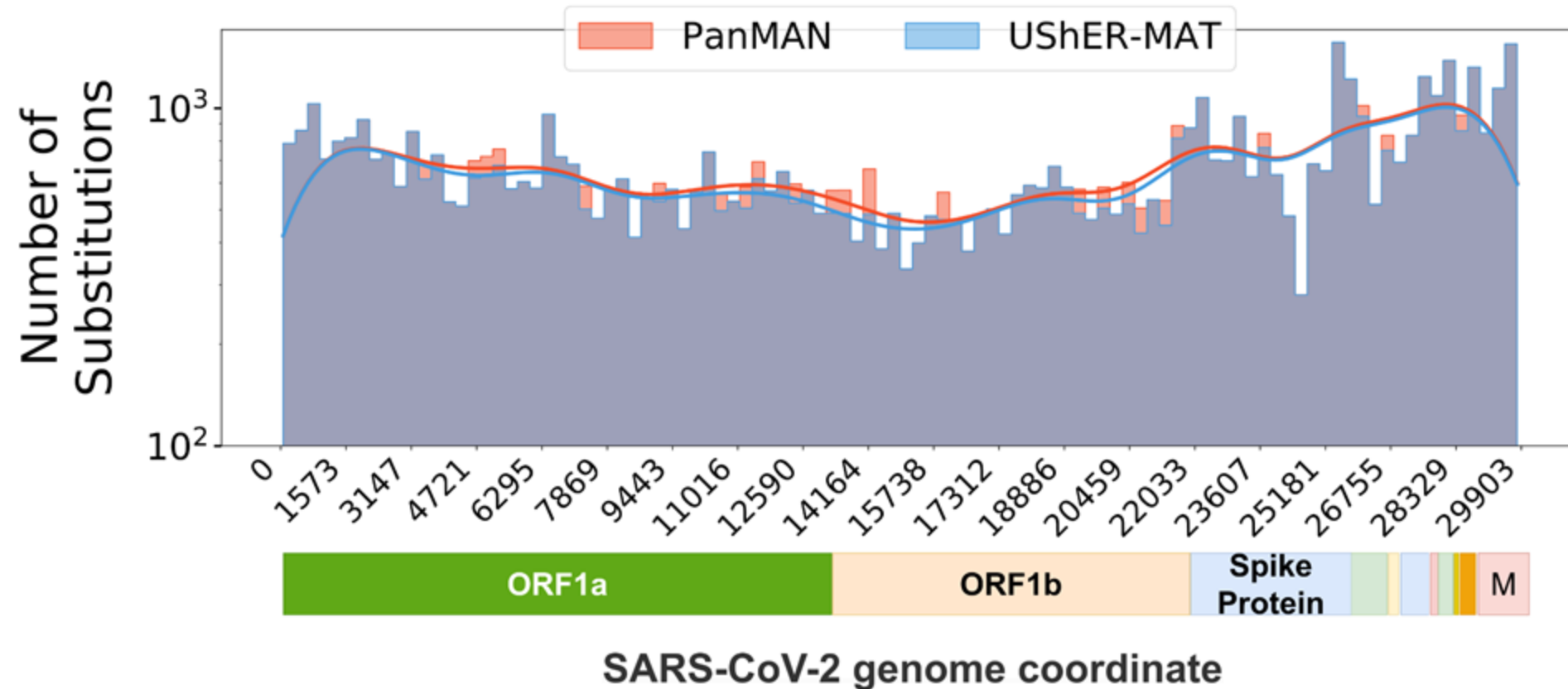# PanMAN scales well relative to other formats

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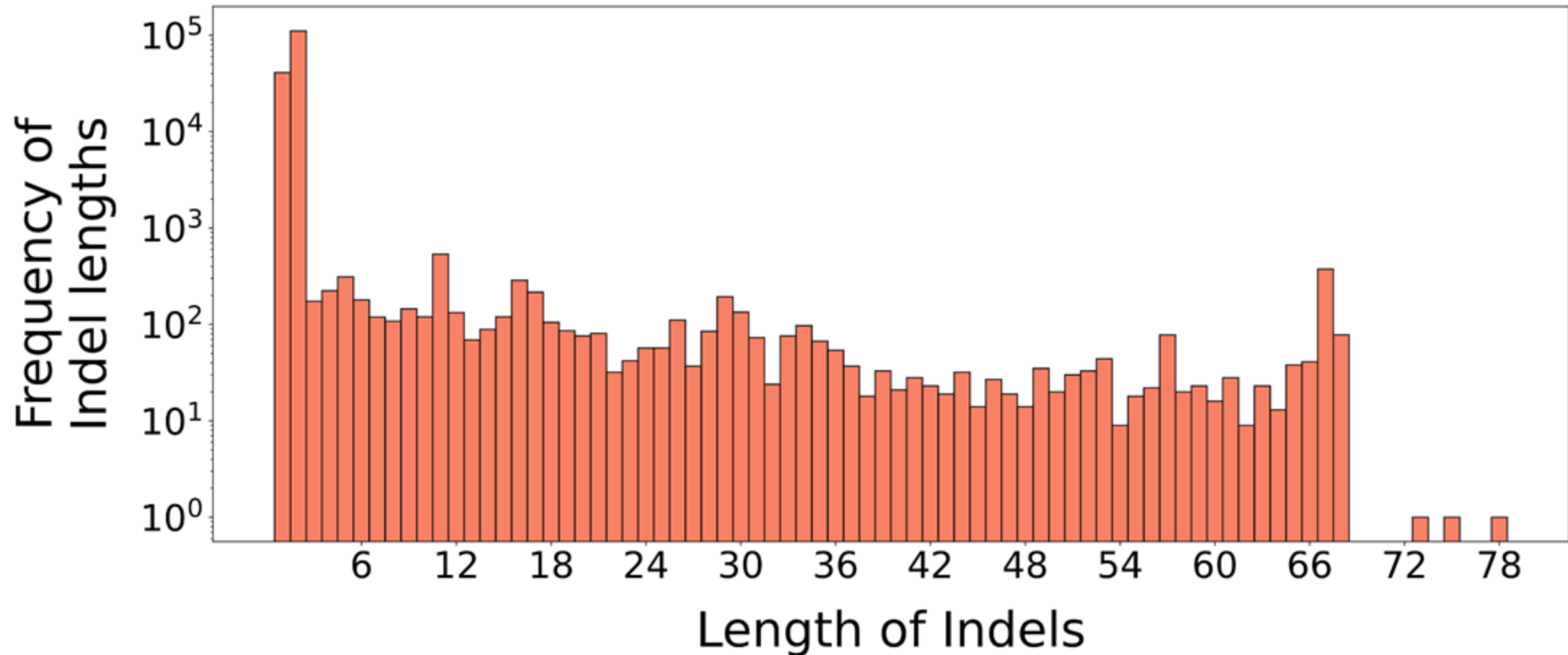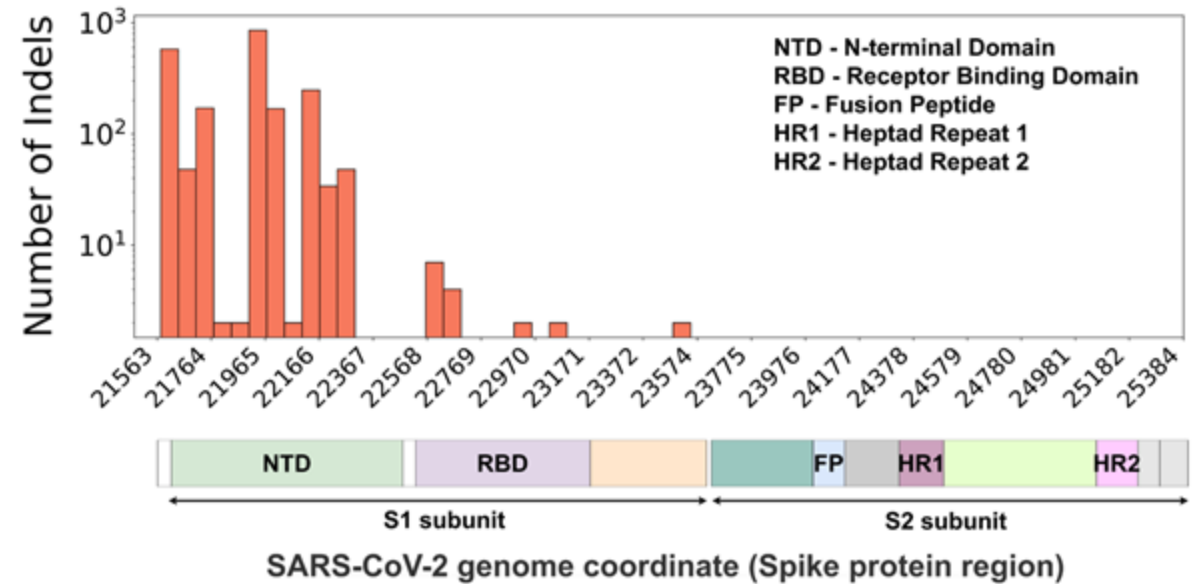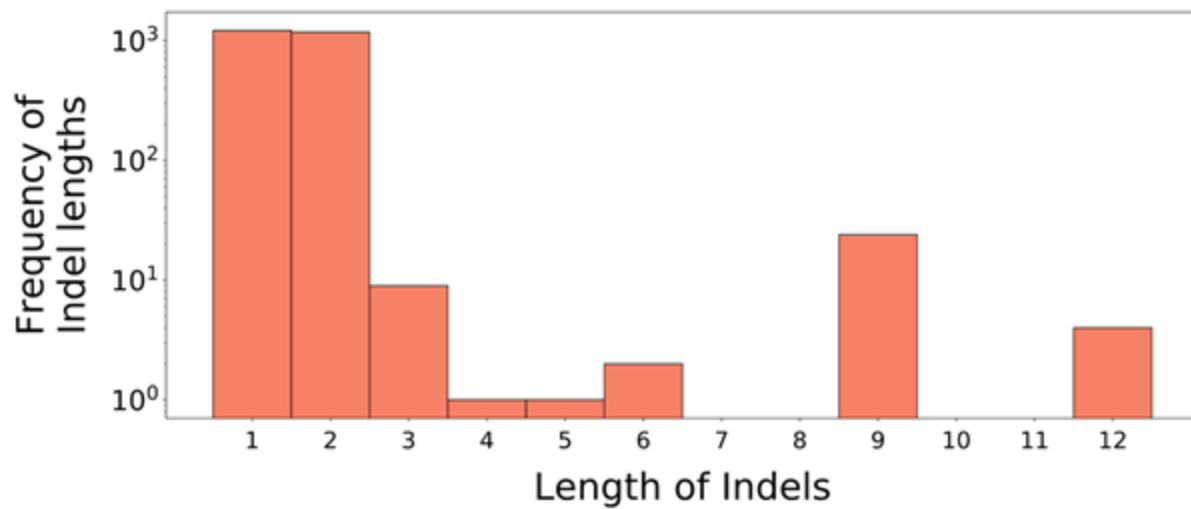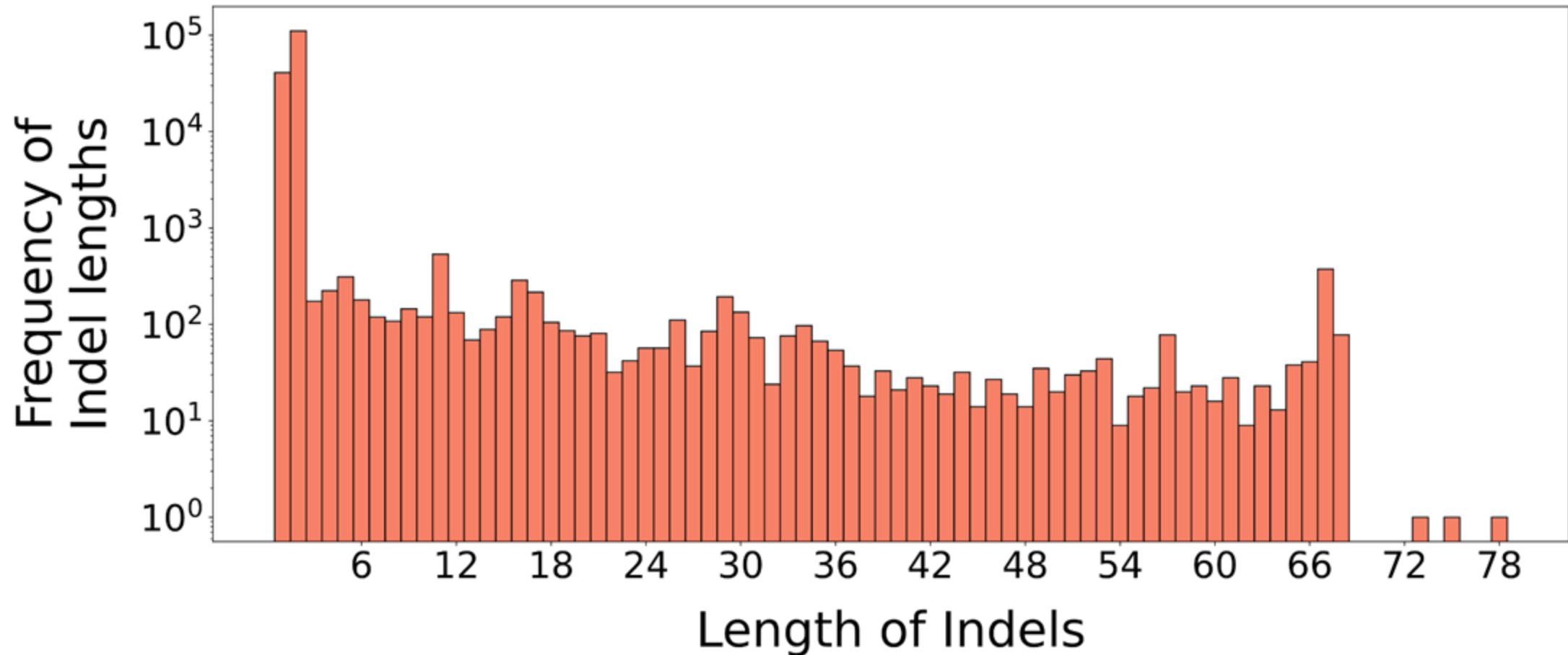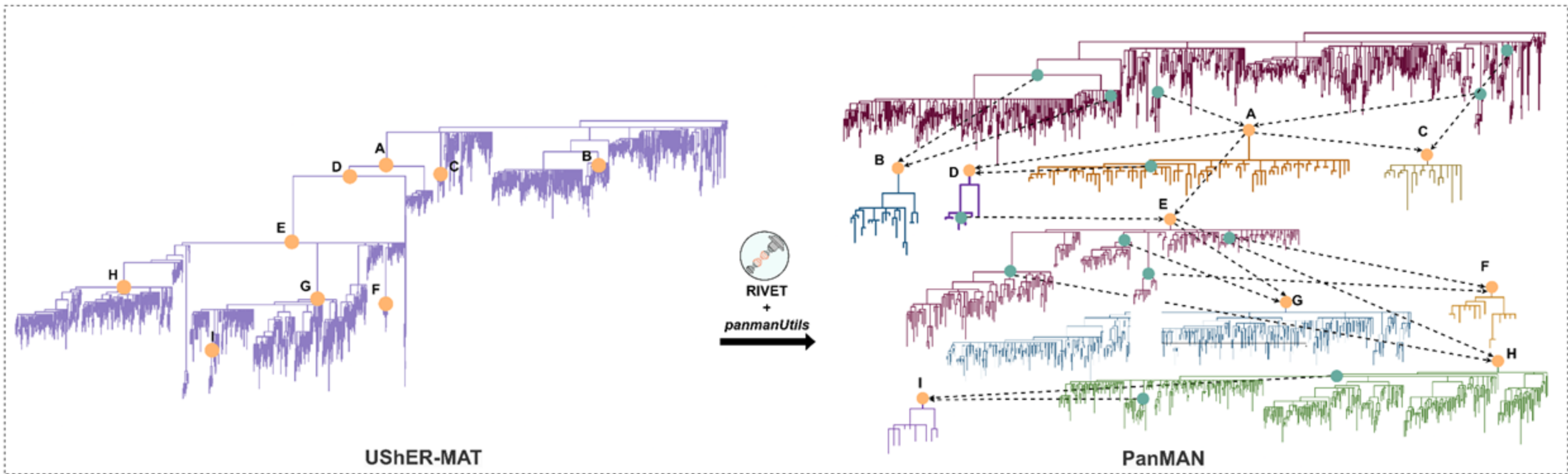
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Pango Designation (WHO labels)	Mutation Type	Mutated Characters	Mutated Position	Mutated Length	Represented in PanMAN?
BA.1 (Omicron)	Insertion	GAGCCAGAA	22205	9	Yes
	Deletion	N/A	11283	9	Yes
	Deletion	N/A	6513	3	Yes
	Deletion	N/A	21765	6	Yes*
	Deletion	N/A	21987	9	Yes*
	Deletion	N/A	22194	3	Yes
BA.2 (Omicron)	Deletion	N/A	11288	9	Yes*
	Deletion	N/A	21633	9	Yes
	Deletion	N/A	28362	9	Yes*
P.1 (Gamma)	Deletion	N/A	11288	9	Yes
	Insertion	AACA	28263	4	Yes
B.1.617.2 (Delta)	Deletion	N/A	22029	6	Yes
	Deletion	N/A	28271	1	Yes*
	Deletion	N/A	28248	6	Yes
B.1.1.7 (Alpha)	Deletion	N/A	11288	9	Yes
	Deletion	N/A	21765	6	Yes
	Deletion	N/A	21991	3	Yes

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PanMAN

PanMANs using likelihood

- Ancestral sequences in PanMAN can be inferred by a a variety of techniques:
  - Parsimony, e.g. Fitch algorithm
  - Likelihood, e.g. PastML, MPPA

- Appears to have a noticeable impact on the file sizes

Dataset	# sequences	File size (MB)		Ratio (LK/parsimony)
		PanMAT-Parsimony	PanMAT-LK	
Sars-CoV2	20	0.019	0.019	1
	200	0.083	0.1	1.2
	2000	0.68	0.91	1.3
	20000	4.8	6.1	1.3
RSV	50	0.047	0.17	3.6
	500	0.137	0.65	4.7
	5000	1.1	4.3	3.9
TB	40	1.9	9.3	4.9
	400	5.1	39.7	7.8

PanMAN Utility for Common Bioinformatic Analyses