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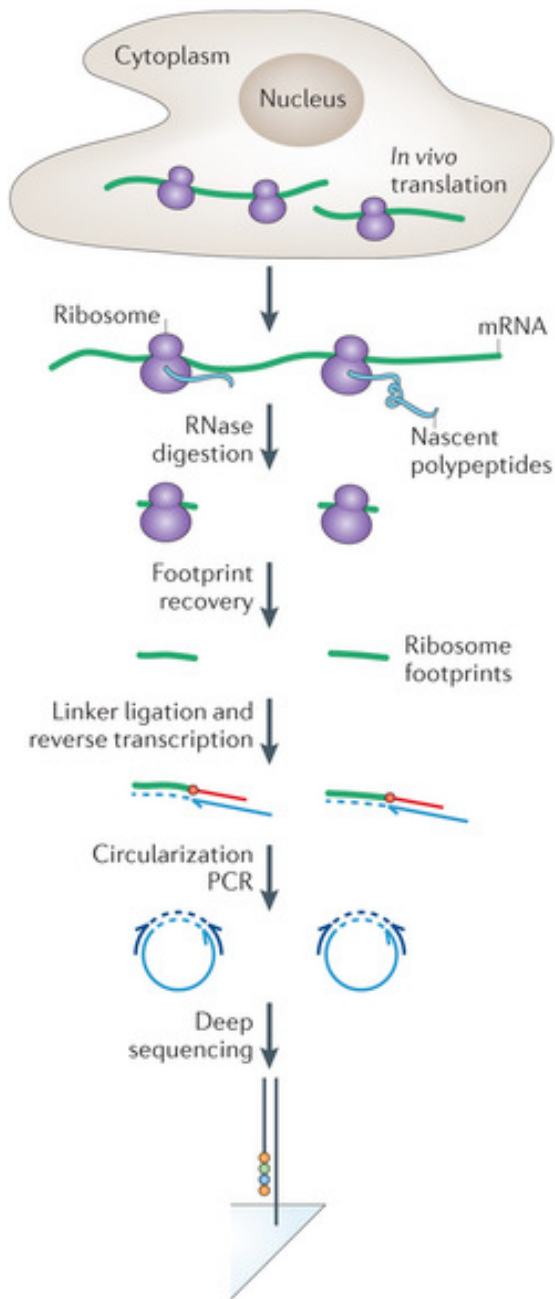
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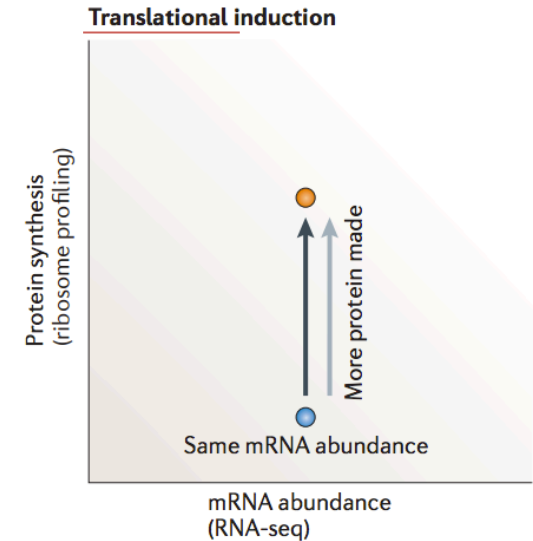
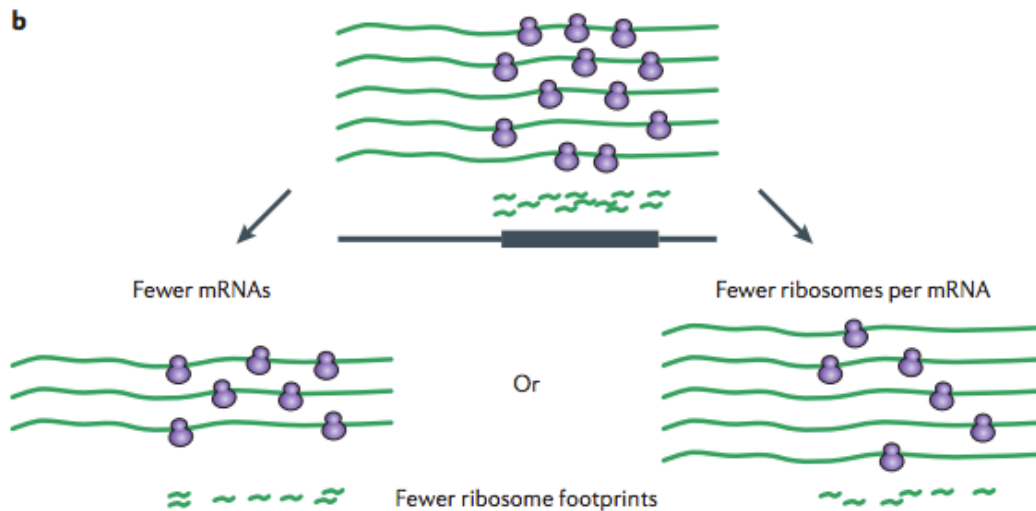
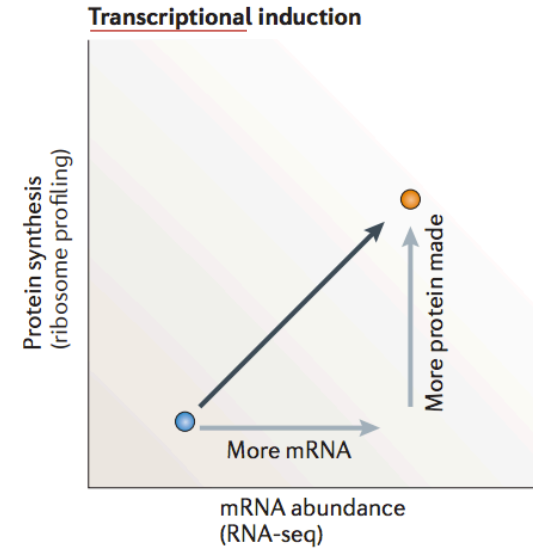
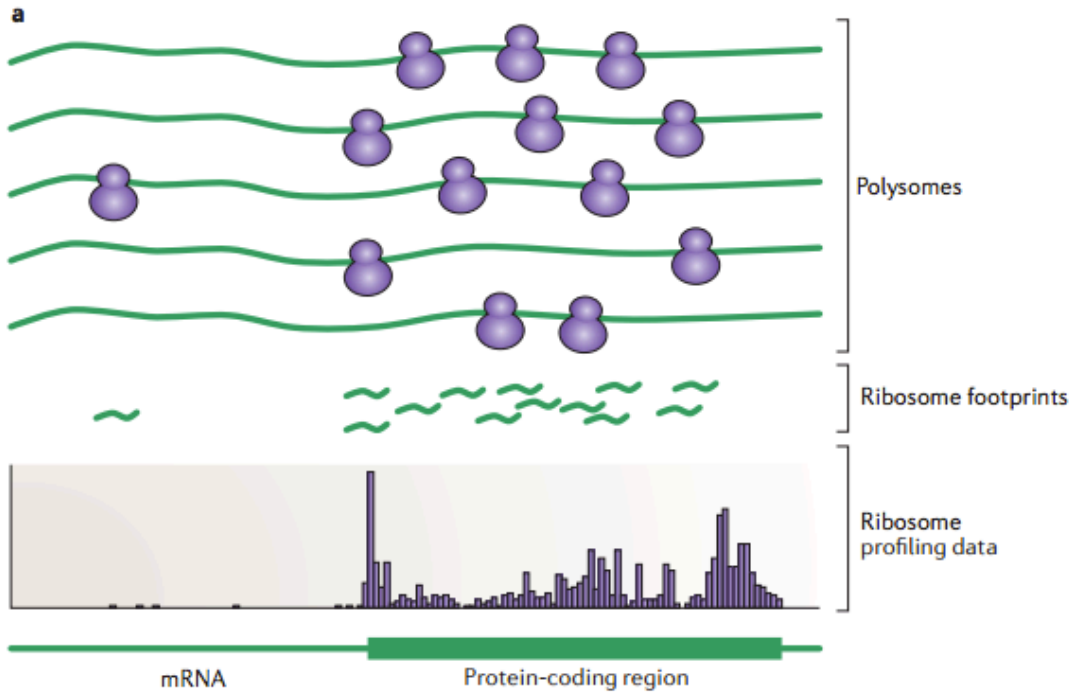
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Limitations

- Depends on **mapping**.
- Ribosome-protected **fragments** are fairly **short** (~30bp); (repetitive sequences, alternative transcripts, longer or PE seq unavailable).
- Existing metrics/statistics, e.g. FPKM by Cufflinks, and log₂ ratio by edgeR is by definition **not suitable for Ribo-seq abundance representation**.
- Both mRNA & riboseq focus on the **current rate** of protein production and not on the total abundance of a protein.
- Discard some information that is found in polysome profiles due to the footprints, i.e. **foot prints rather than entire transcripts**.
- Nuclease digestion **degrades the 5' and 3' UTRs** of transcripts, which may contain regulatory information.
- Obscures the presence of distinct **mRNA subpopulations**

Analysis of ribosome occupancy data



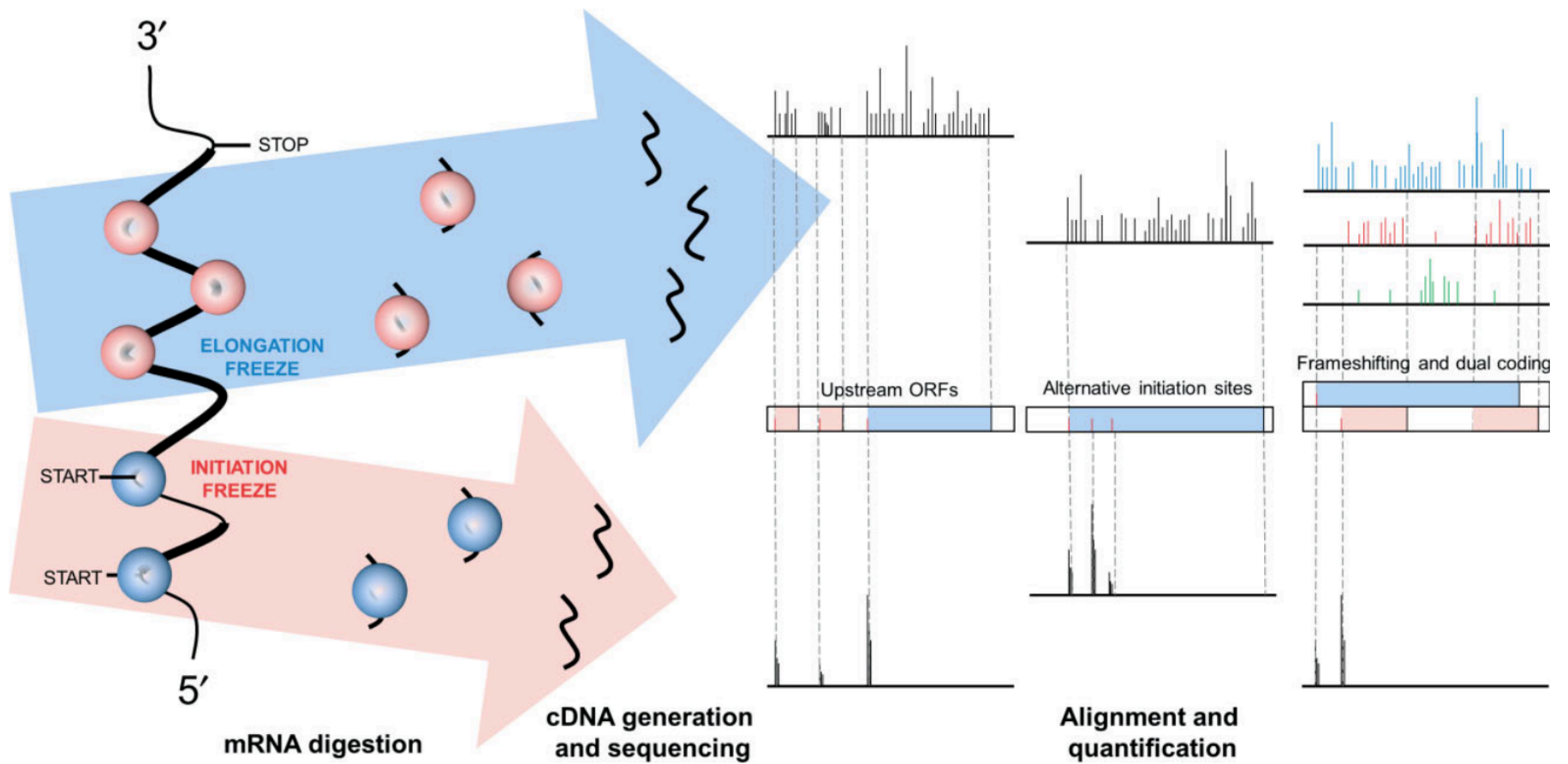


Fig 3 Michel and Baranov (2013)

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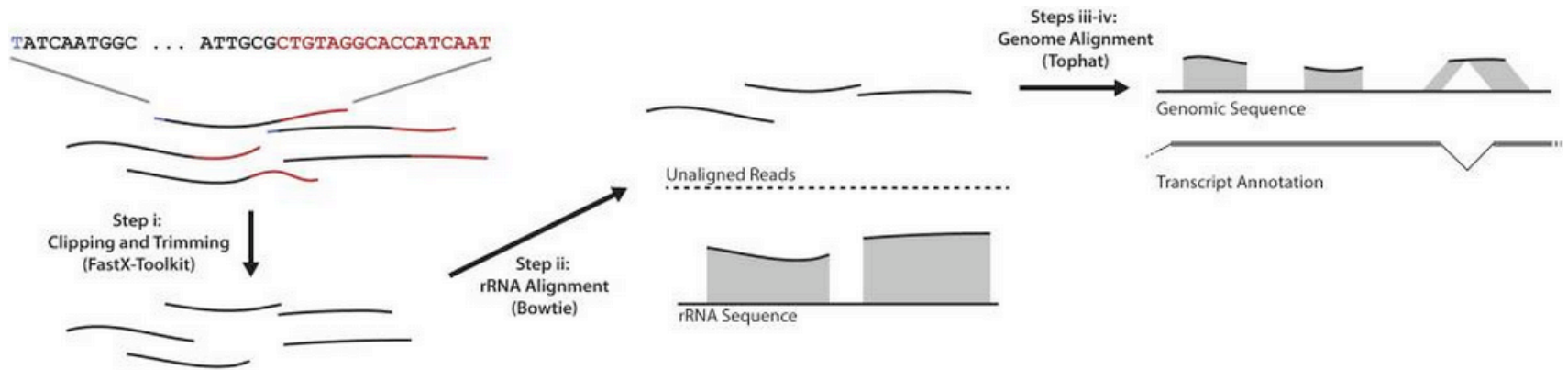
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Causal signals between codon bias, mRNA structure, and the efficiency of translation and elongation

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Ia. Data pre-processing

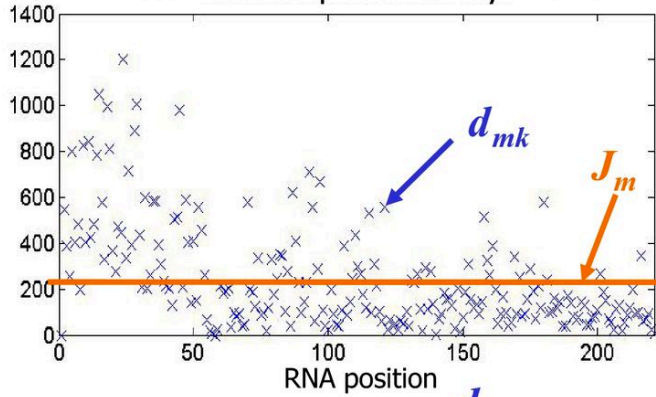
- RPF were aligned against S288C assembly R63.
- kept reads: uniquely mapped & no more than two mismatches & lengths between 28 and 31.



- Genes were ignored if: did not have an AUG start codon, had internal stop codons, had < 50% of positions on the coding sequence with at least one mapped mRNA count, or if all the footprint counts were 0 over the gene.
- codon usage bias is measure by the tRNA adaptation index (tAI)

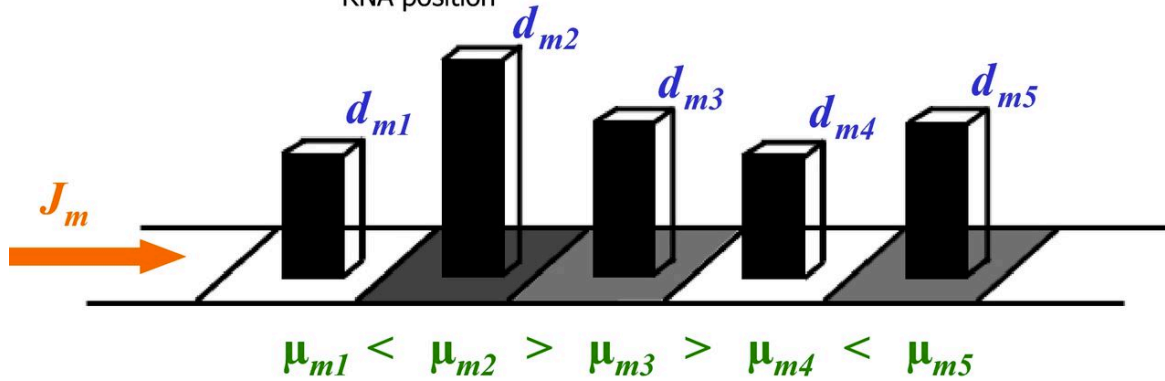
Ib. Queuing model for elongation process

Ribosome Footprint Density Profile



$m = \text{gene}$
 $k = \text{position on gene}$
 $d_{mk} = \text{ribosome footprint count at } (m,k)$
 $J_m = \text{flow per } m$
 $\mu_{mk} = \text{dwell time at } (m,k)$

- use a single μ_m^c for every copy of codon c on message m .
- add a pseudo-count of 1 to all FP counts and use the logarithm of normalized counts in the Poisson term
- during model training, ignore the first 100 codons



count at position = flow * dwell at position

$$d_{mk} = J_m \mu_{mk}$$

Figure 1

$$\max_{\mu_m^c, \mu^c} \log \prod_{m,k'} \mu_m^{c(d'_{mk}/J_m)} \exp(-\mu_m^c) - C \left[\sum_{m,c} w_m^c (\log \mu_m^c - \log \mu^c)^2 \right]$$

log likelihood term
assuming Poisson dist.

L2 soft constraint term

1c. Choice of C did not affect results — correlations for codon bias measures, protein abundance, and outliers

$$\max_{\mu_m^c, \mu^c} \log \prod_{m, k'} \mu_m^{c(d'_{mk}/J_m)} \exp(-\mu_m^c) - C \left[\sum_{m, c} w_m^c (\log \mu_m^c - \log \mu^c)^2 \right]$$

Result		const = 1	const = 10	const = 1000	const = 10000	const = 100000	No μ_m^c
μ^c (const=100)	r	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000
	p	1E-202	5E-206	9E-150	1E-105	6E-95	1E-96
μ_m^c (const=100)	r	1.000	1.000	1.000	0.983	0.838	NA
	p	0	0	0	0	0	NA
J_m (const=100)	r	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000	0.999	0.994
	p	0	0	0	0	0	0
tAI	r	0.210	0.210	0.210	0.213	0.217	0.211
	p	0.104	0.104	0.104	0.100	0.094	0.103
tRNA abund (Cy5)	r	0.144	0.144	0.140	0.140	0.140	0.133
	p	0.380	0.4380	0.393	0.393	0.393	0.420
tRNA abund (Cy3)	r	0.144	0.144	0.140	0.140	0.140	0.133
	p	0.417	0.417	0.429	0.429	0.429	0.456
PA (Newman et al)	r	0.7885	0.7885	0.7886	0.7889	0.7882	0.7782
PA (de Godoy et al)	r	0.6802	0.6802	0.6802	0.6802	0.6786	0.6710

Table S5

I d. Optimization

$$\max_{\mu_m^c, \mu^c} \log \prod_{m,k'} \mu_m^{c(d'_{mk}/J_m)} \exp(-\mu_m^c) - C \left[\sum_{m,c} w_m^c (\log \mu_m^c - \log \mu^c)^2 \right]$$

- 1) Fix J_m to $D_m = \sum_{m \in k} d_{mk} / L_m$
- 2) Initialize μ_m^c & μ_m by averaging over counts (m, k) for $\text{codon}(m, k) = c$
- 3) Estimate parameters by iterating through codons c and learning μ_m^c & μ_m
- 4) Stop codons are excluded
- 5) Compute $J_m = \sum_{k \in m} \frac{d_{mk}}{\mu_m} / L_m = \sum_{k \in m} \frac{d_{mk}}{\mu_m^{c=\text{codon}(m,k)}} / L_m$

I.e. Optimization is not sensitive to initiation

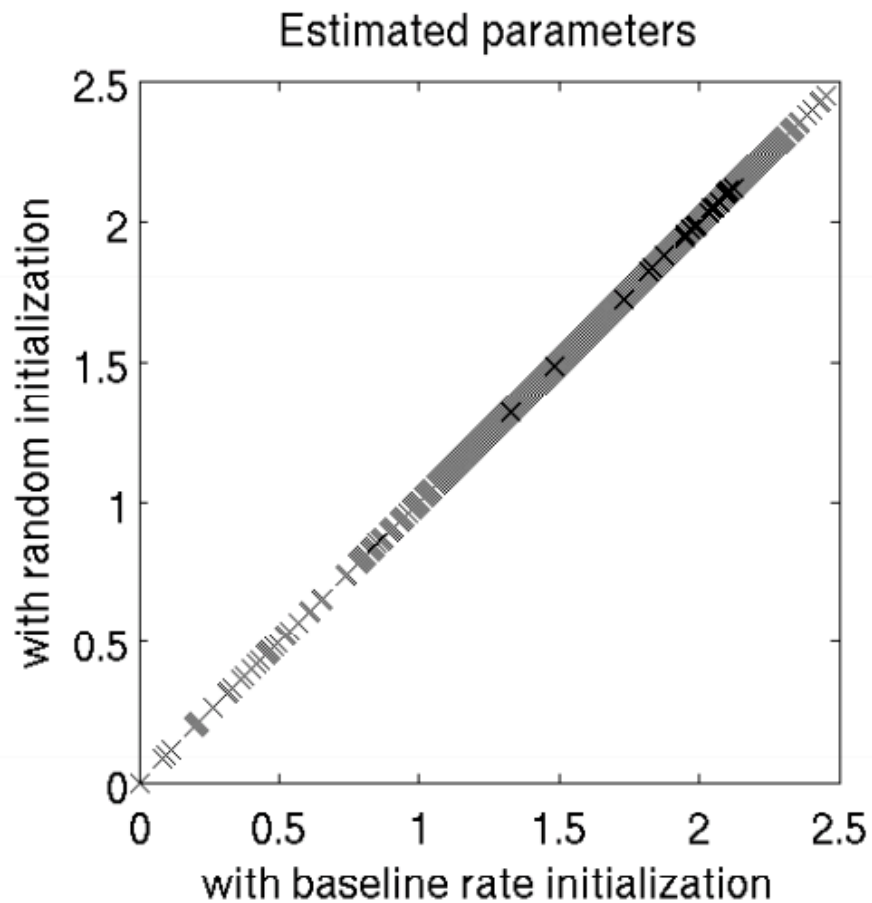
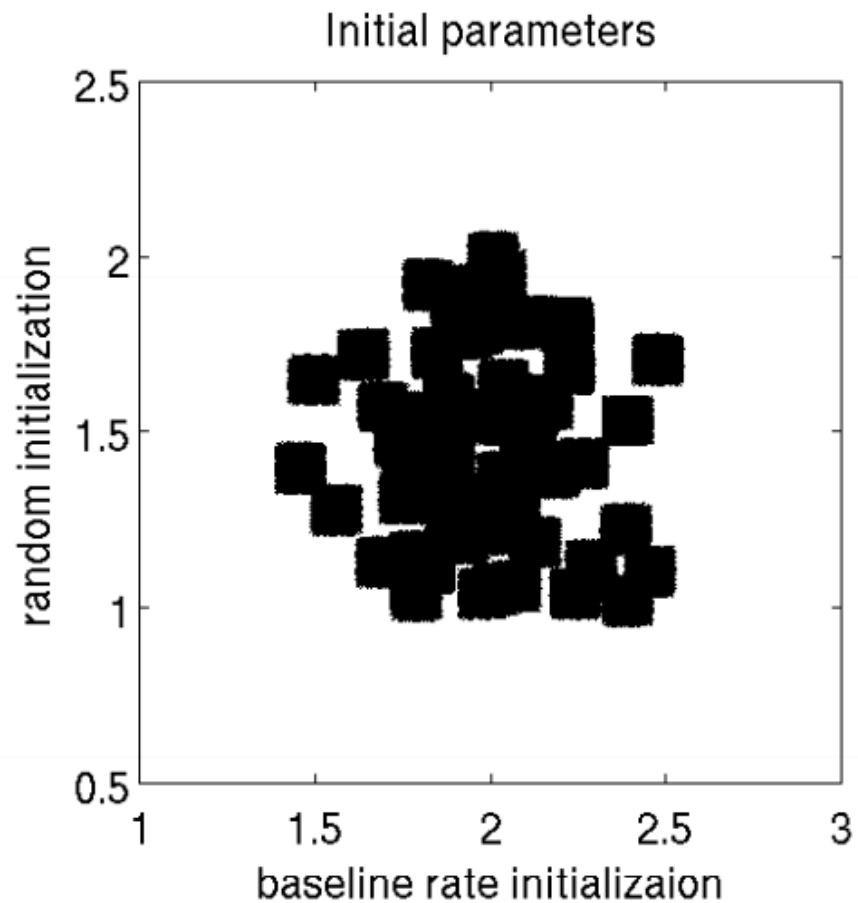


Figure S11

If. Small improvement over baseline average counts

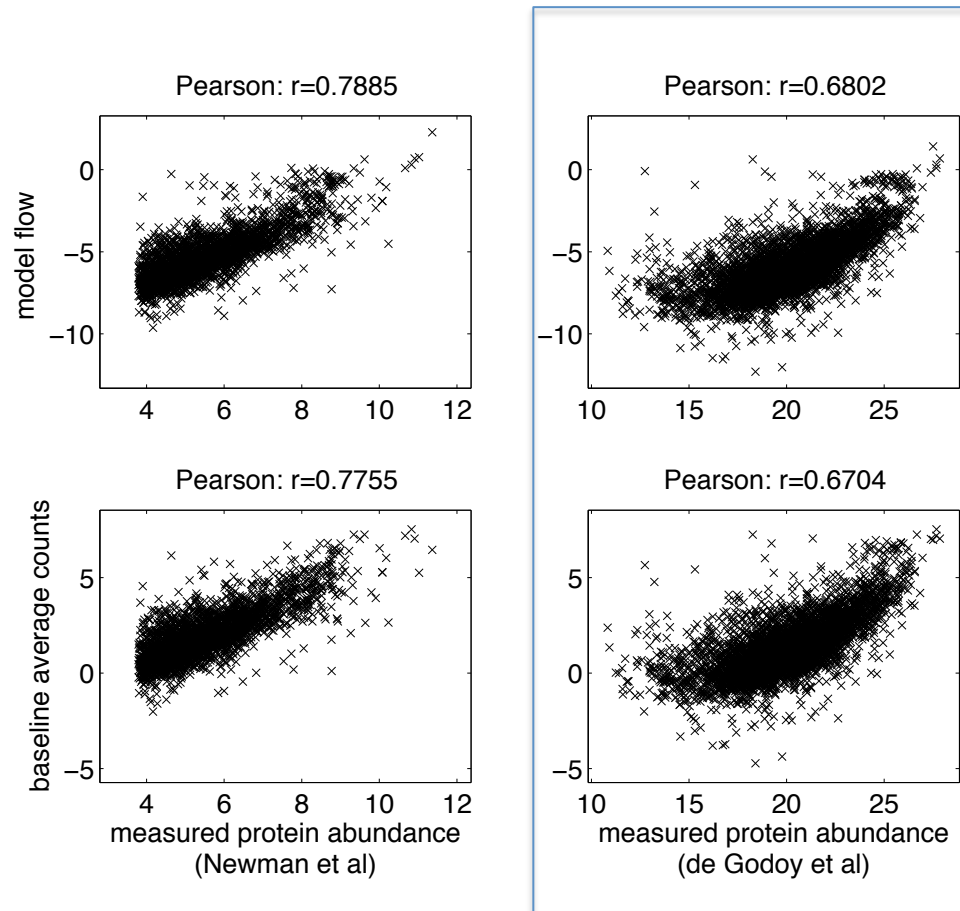


Figure S1, Pop et al (2014)

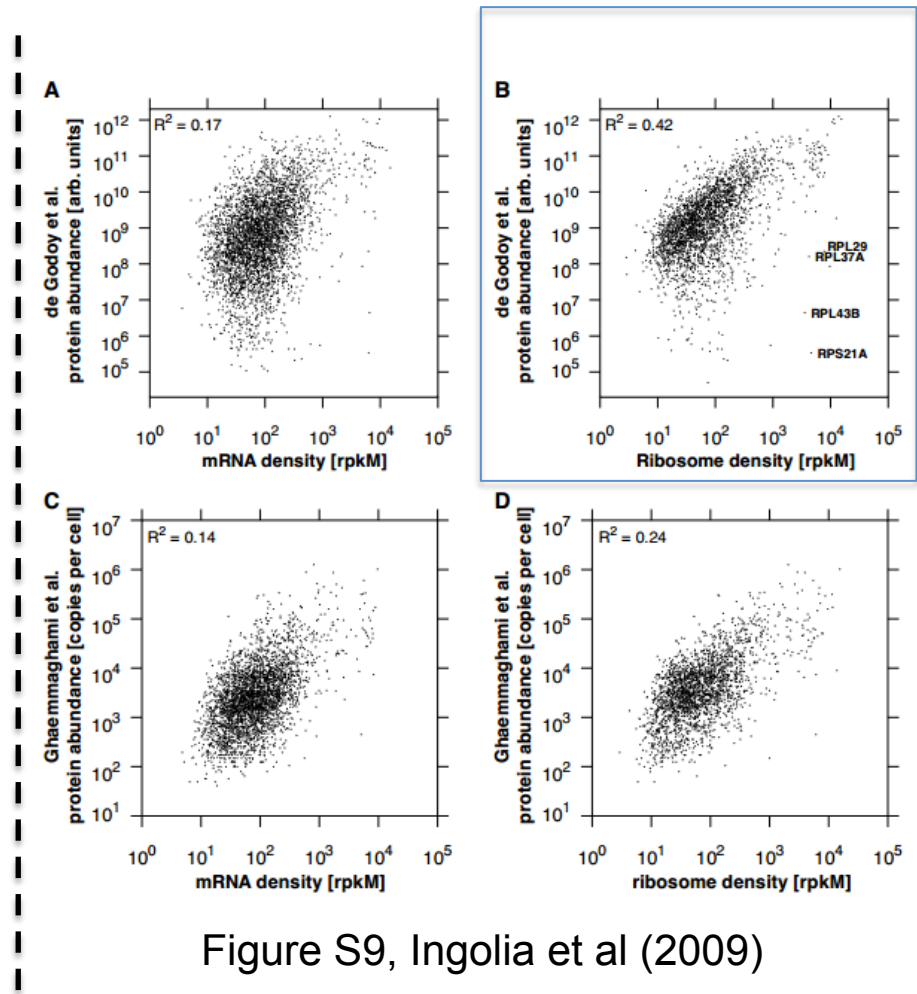


Figure S9, Ingolia et al (2009)

2a. Codon translation is not affected by tRNA abundance or body sequence

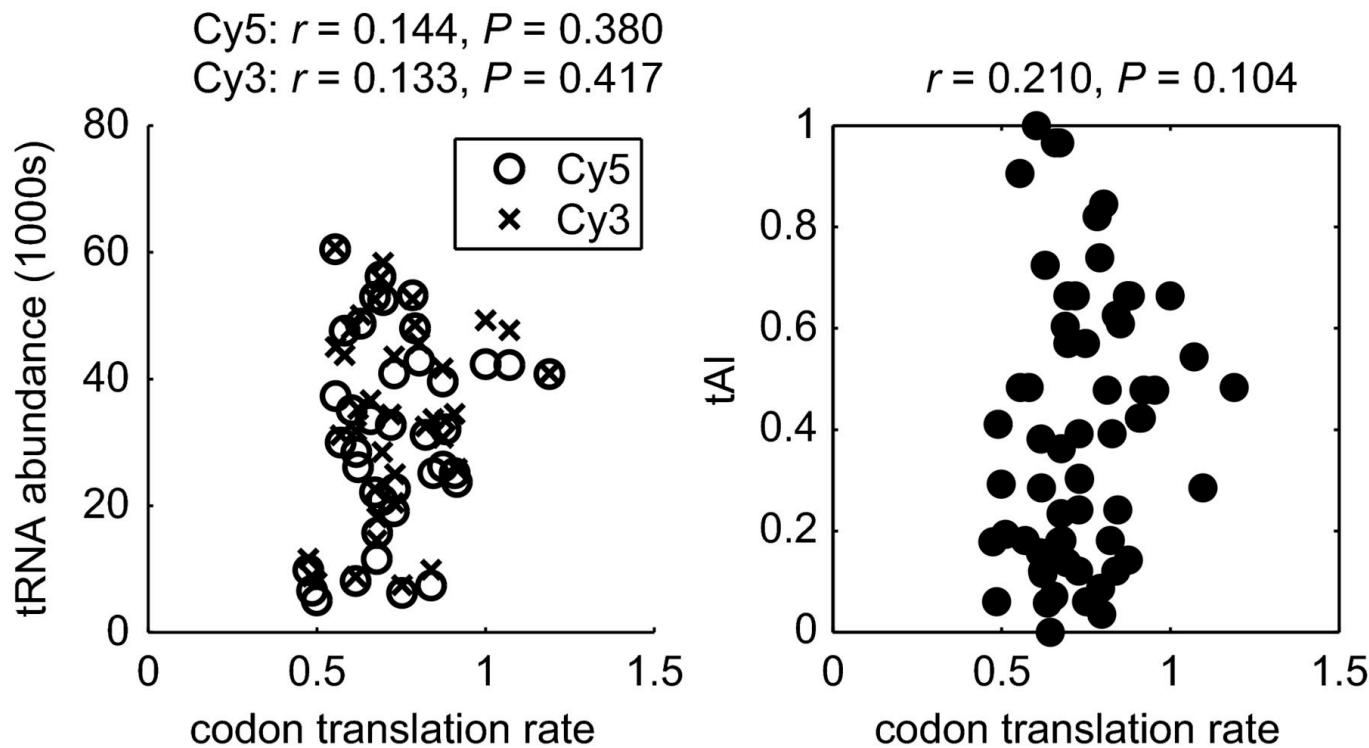


Figure 2

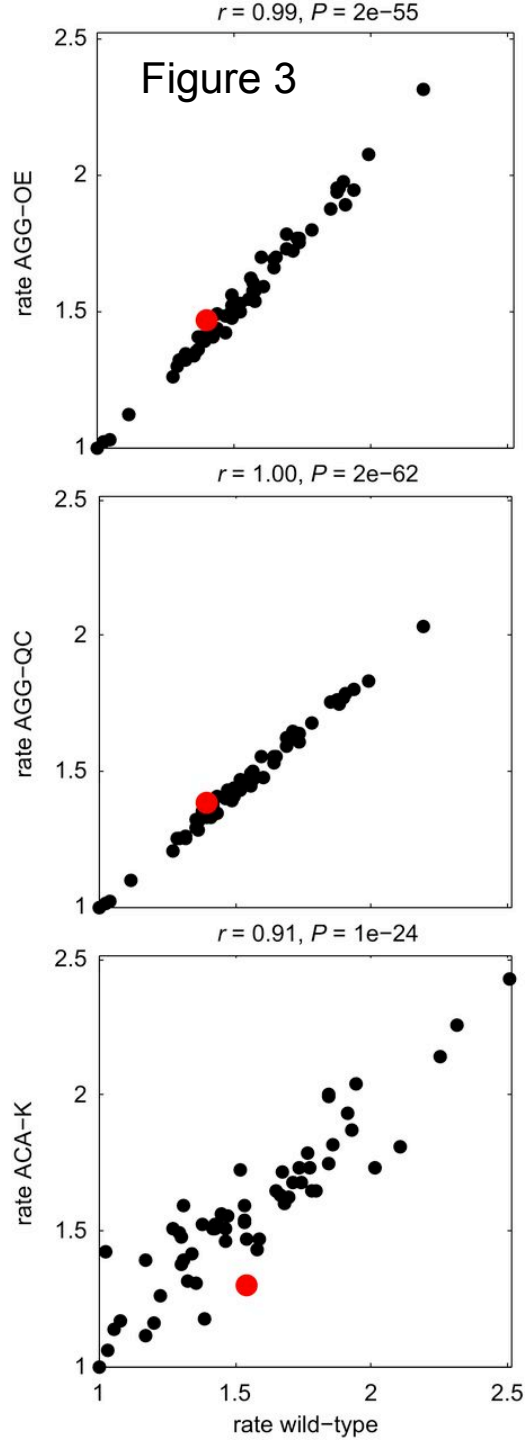
The same insignificant correlation exists in the raw footprint data ($r = 0.112$, $P = 0.392$)

Left: Insignificant Spearman correlation between estimated codon translation rates and tRNA abundance from microarray measurements using either fluorophore **Cy3** or **Cy5** on 39 codons with measured levels.

Right: The correlation to tAI is also not significant. (tAI: a measure of codon bias based on tRNA gene copy number relative to the overall collection of isoacceptor tRNAs)

2b. measure the effect of tRNA abundance on codon translation rate

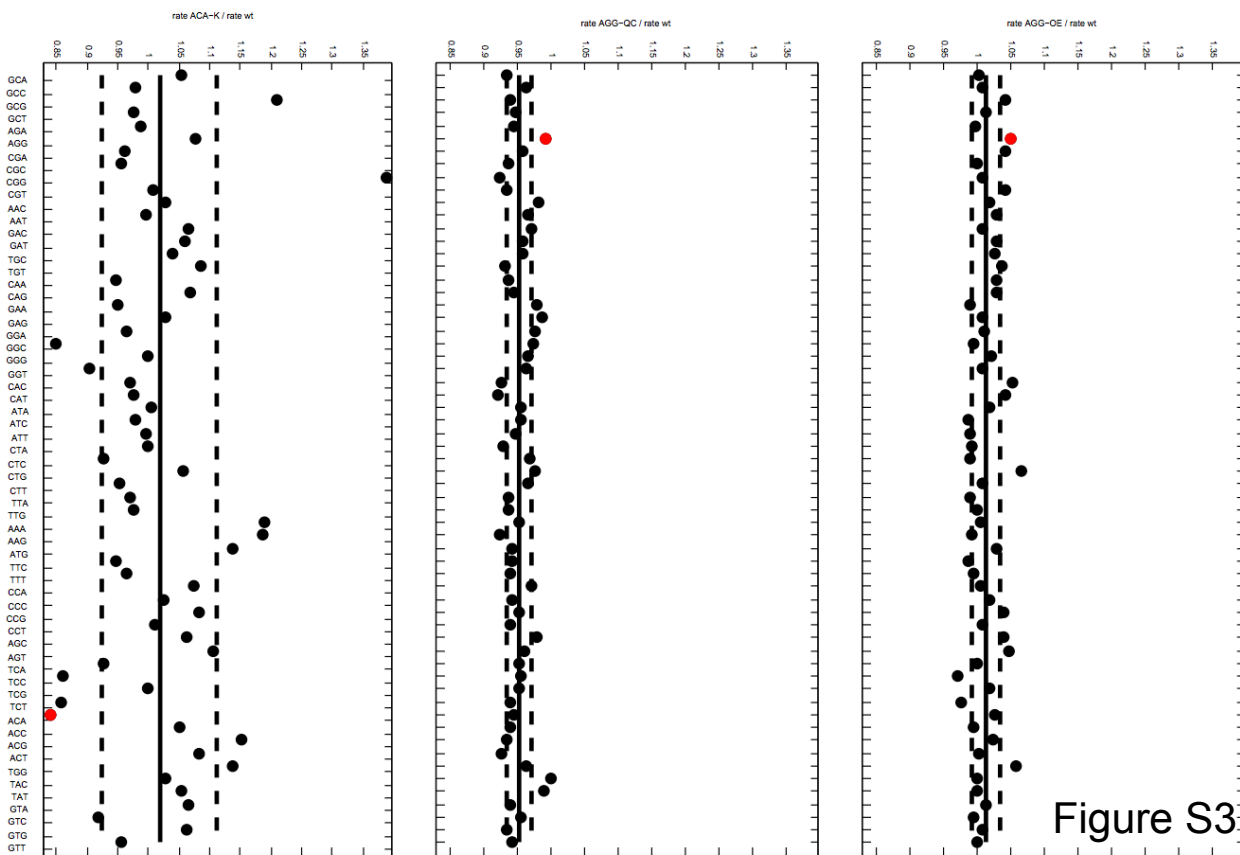
- Created three mutant yeast species to test whether
 - (i) tRNA **overexpression** speeds up translation: **AGG-OE (13)**
 - (ii) the tRNA **body itself** causes the tRNA-dependent rate effect observed in other studies: **AGG-QC (similar)**
 - (iii) **depletion** of tRNA slows down ribosomes: **ACA-K (0.3)**
- Generated ribosome profiling data and ran model on these mutants to test whether
 - i. AGG codons are translated **faster** in AGG-OE and AGG-QC (AGG is a rare codon)
 - i. ACA codons are translated **slower** in ACA-K. (ACA is a heavily used codon)



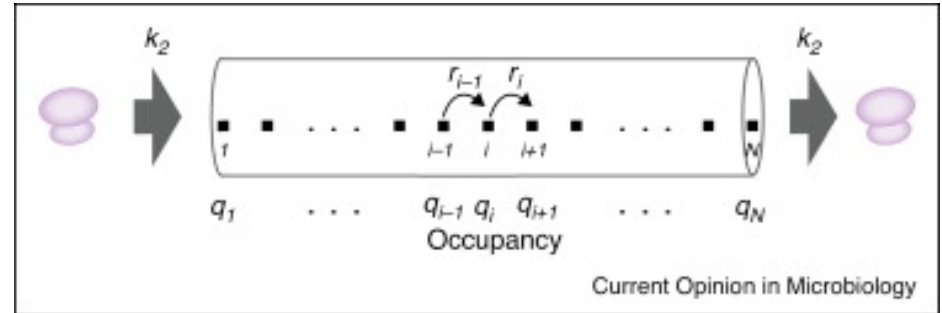
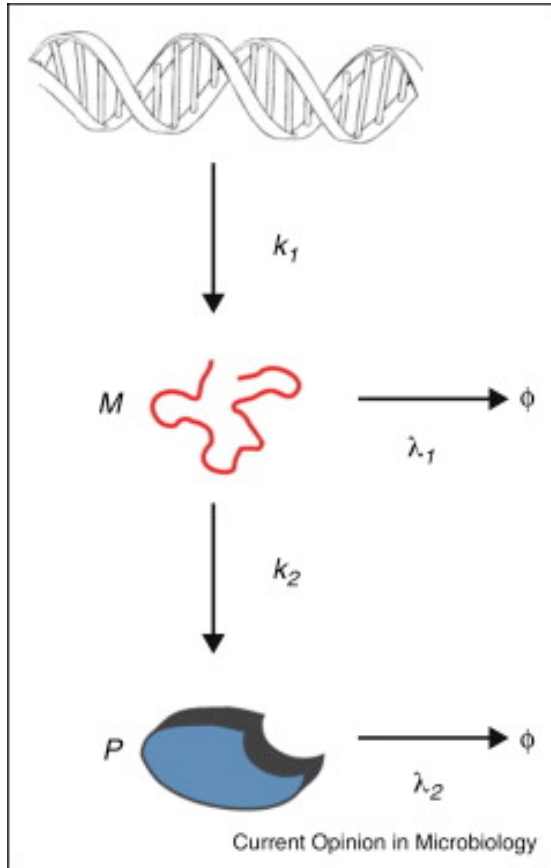
2c. no significant change in the elongation rates of the affected codon in any of the three mutants compared to wild-type

Several-fold changes in tRNA abundance do not affect ribosome dwell time.

Rate ACA-K/ rate wt Rate AGG-QC/ rate wt Rate AGG-OE/ rate wt



3a. Translation efficiency (TE)



$q_i \sim$ the probability that the i th codon is occupied by a ribosome.
 $r_i \sim$ the ribosome translocation rate constant from i to $i + 1$.

$$\left. \begin{aligned} \frac{d}{dt} q_1 &= k_2 - r_1 q_1 \\ \frac{d}{dt} q_i &= r_{i-1} q_{i-1} - r_i q_i \\ \frac{d}{dt} q_N &= r_{N-1} q_{N-1} - k_2 \end{aligned} \right\}$$

$$r_1 q_1 = \dots = r_{i-1} q_{i-1} = r_i q_i = \dots = k_2 \quad \rightarrow \quad q_i = \frac{k_2}{r_i}$$

$$\frac{d}{dt} M = k_1 - \lambda_1 M$$

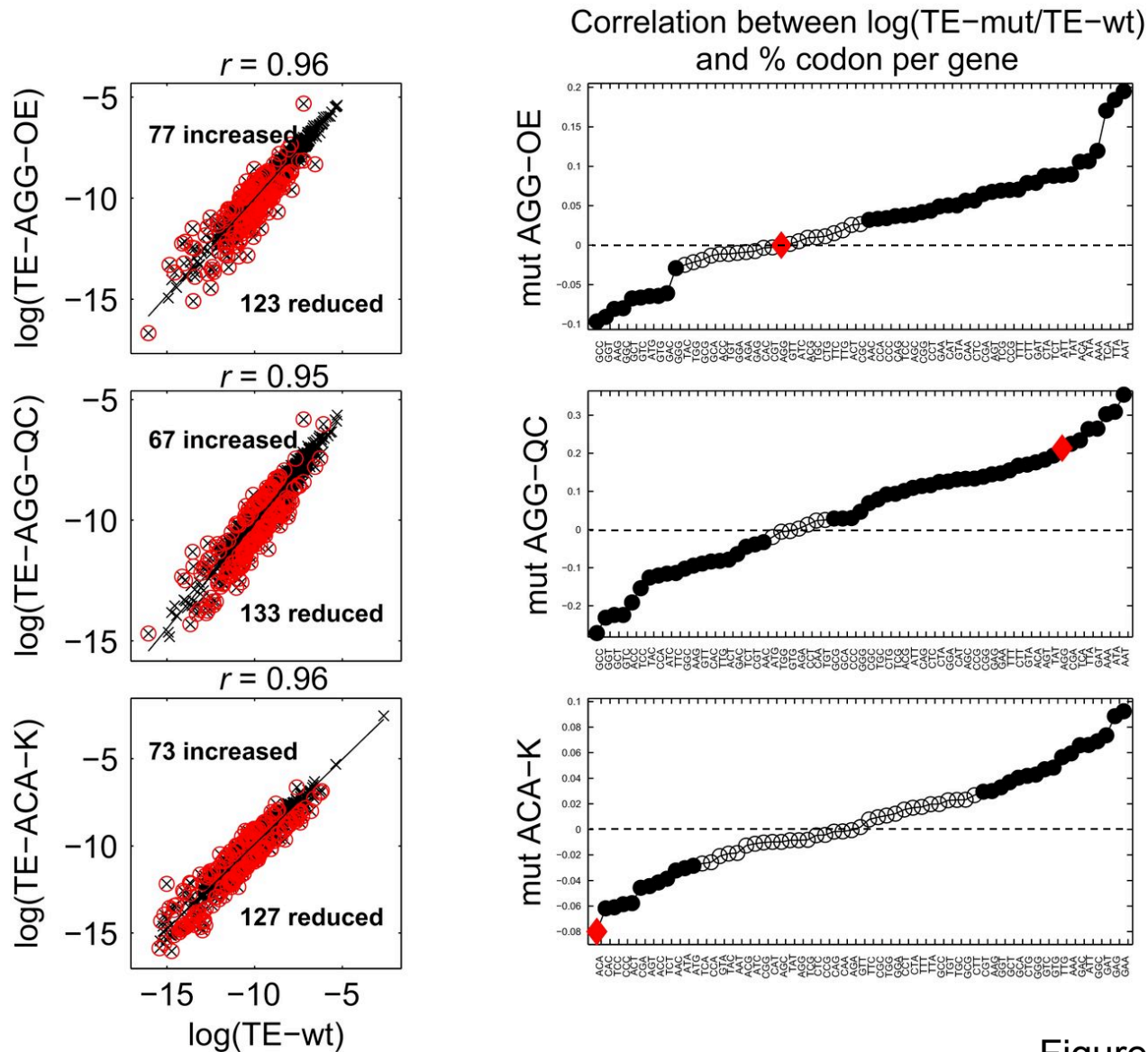
$$\frac{d}{dt} P = k_2 M - \lambda_2 P$$

$$\langle q \rangle = k_2 \left\langle \frac{1}{r} \right\rangle = k_2 \langle \tau \rangle \quad \langle \tau \rangle \text{ is the average translocation time per codon.}$$

TE can be defined as the rate of protein production per mRNA, i.e $TE = K_2$.

$$k_2 = \frac{1}{\langle \tau \rangle} \frac{\langle q \rangle M}{M} = \frac{1}{\langle \tau \rangle} \frac{\text{ribosome density}}{\text{RNA level}}$$

3b. Translation efficiency is mildly affected by tRNA knockdown but not by overexpression



4a. Factors for elongation efficiency

- Key Q: What signals do affect elongation efficiency and translation efficiency?
 - i. slow outliers:** at each position k along a message m as positions where ribosomes are stalled more than expected.
 - ii. fast outliers:** stalled less than expected

outlier strength Δ_{mk} : the deviation from expected dwell time,

$$\Delta_{mk} = \frac{d_{mk} - E[d_{mk}]}{s_{mk}},$$

where s_{mk} is a *sd* representing the variance in that count due to gene abundance and codon.

Divide genes into 32 quantiles (abundance) and compute var per codon.

Thus,

$$\begin{cases} \text{slow outliers} : \Delta_{mk} > T \\ \text{fast outliers} : \Delta_{mk} < T \\ \text{non outliers} : \Delta_{mk} \in (-1, 1) \end{cases}$$

4b. Model for translation efficiency (TE)

Learn through the whole training set

Learn through cross validation

$$\min_w \underbrace{\sum_m (TE_m - w^T f_m)^2}_{\text{Fit } w \text{ to the TE of a set of gene}\{m\}} + \underbrace{\lambda_1 \sum_p |w_p| + \lambda_2 \sum_p w_p^2}_{\text{Enforce sparsity \& shrinkage}}$$

Fit w to the TE of a set of gene{ m }

Enforce sparsity & shrinkage

Create a null model where w is learned from TEs randomly permuted among genes. Final w are the average over all training/testing combinations.

The features used are minimal to maximize the # of genes that have these characterized:

- 1) tAI of gene (codon usage bias);
- 2) computationally predicted energy of 5' UTR, 3' UTR, mRNA,
- 3) window around the start codon with highest correlation with TE;
- 4) length of coding sequence;
- 5) mRNA abundance;
- 6) identity of bases overlapping the Kozac site.

4c. All codons show negative correlation between outlier strength and proximity to gene start

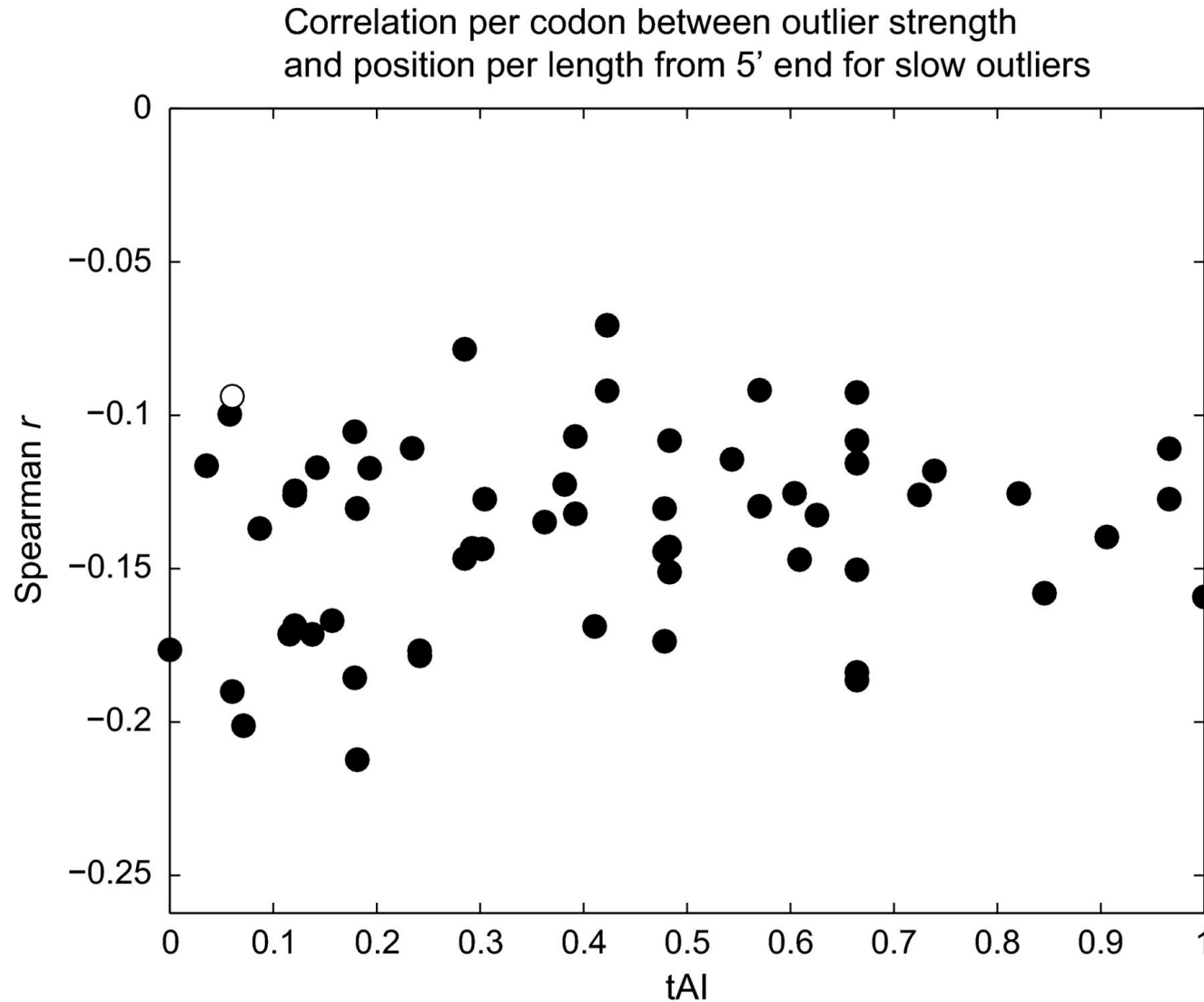


Figure 5

5a. Structural features and sequence motif around the start codon

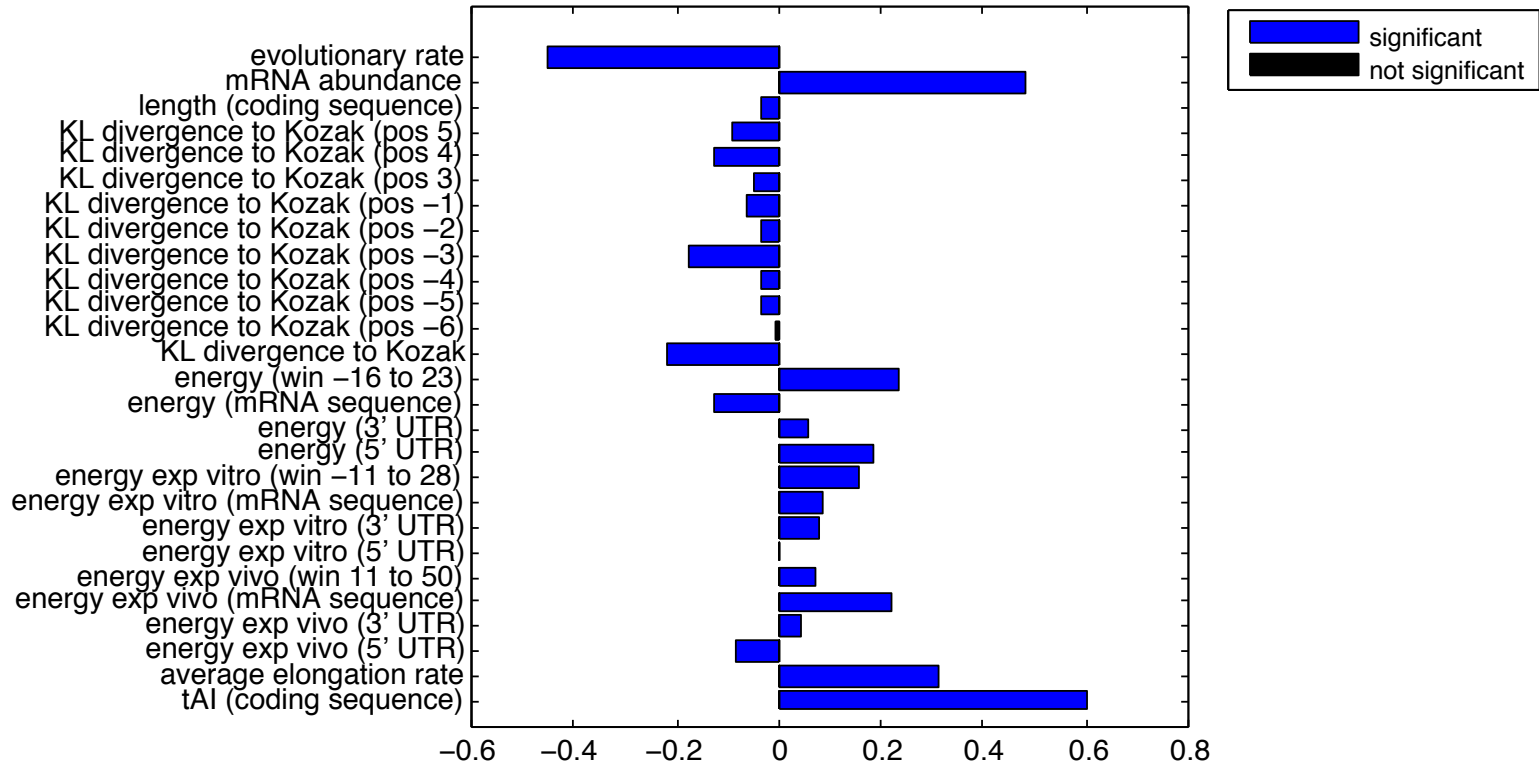


Figure S7

5b. RNA structure energy and its relationship to translation efficiency

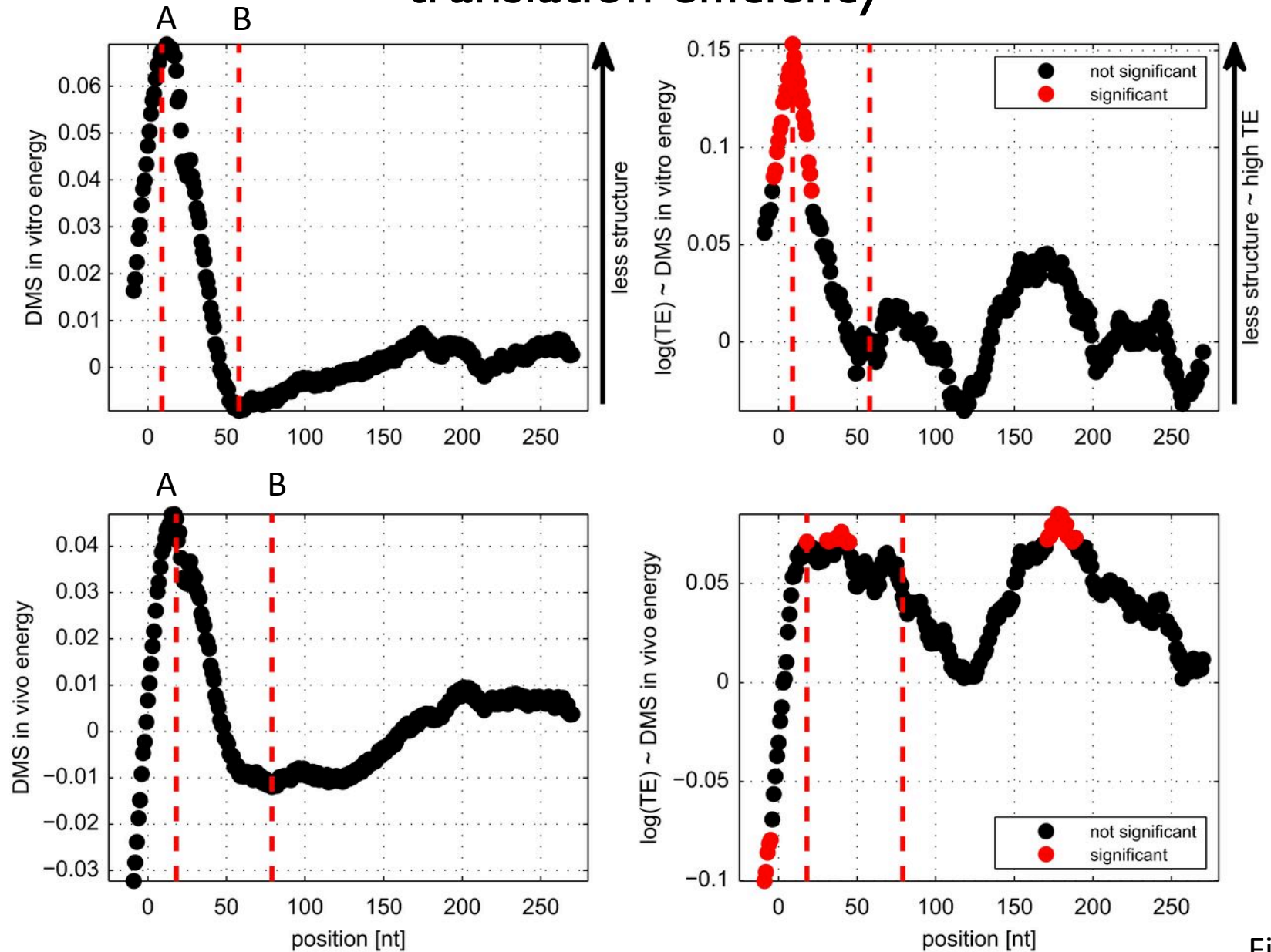


Figure 6

5c. Estimated Kozak motif for efficient genes

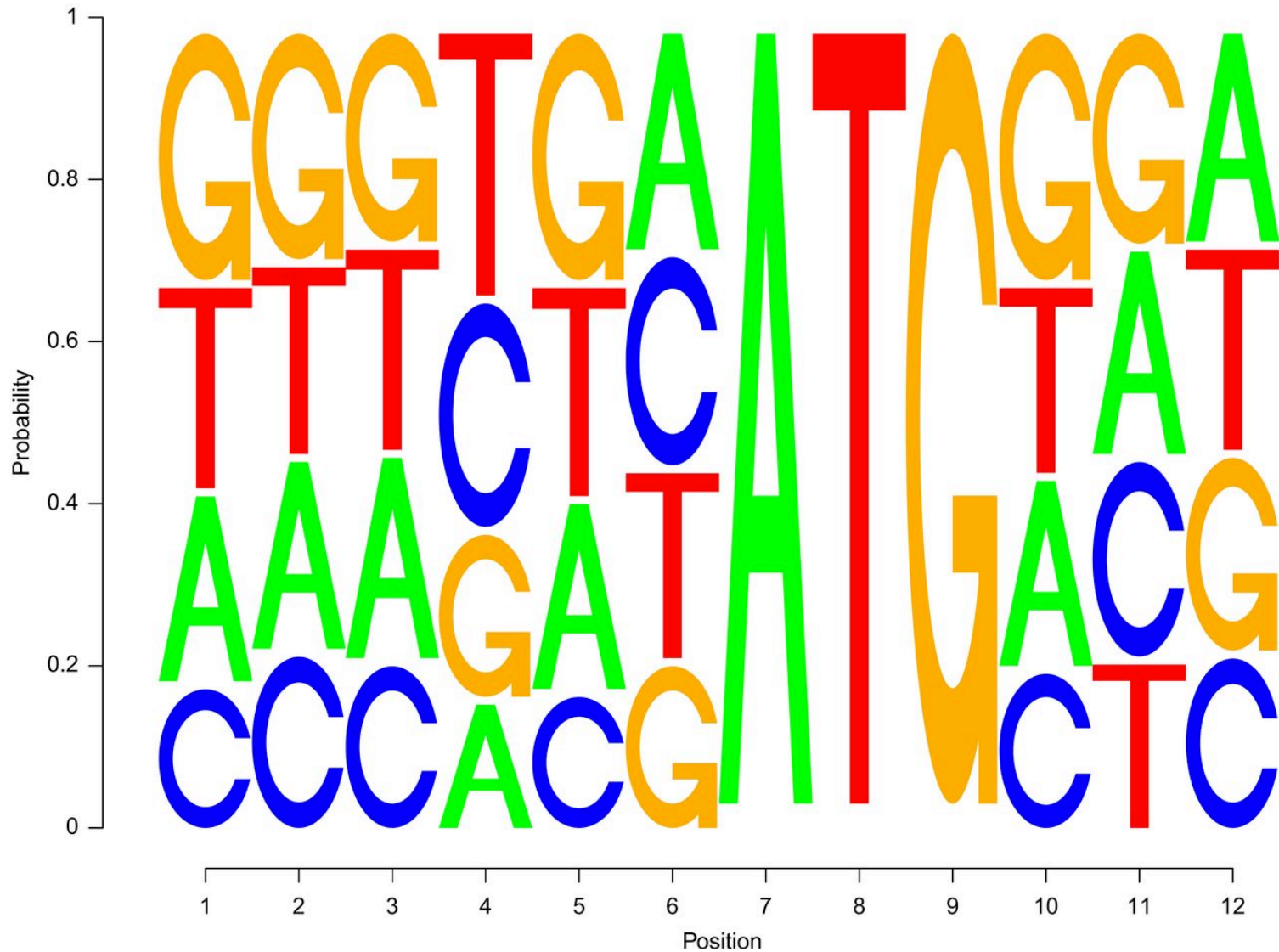


Figure 7

5d. Correlation between log(TE) and gene-level features

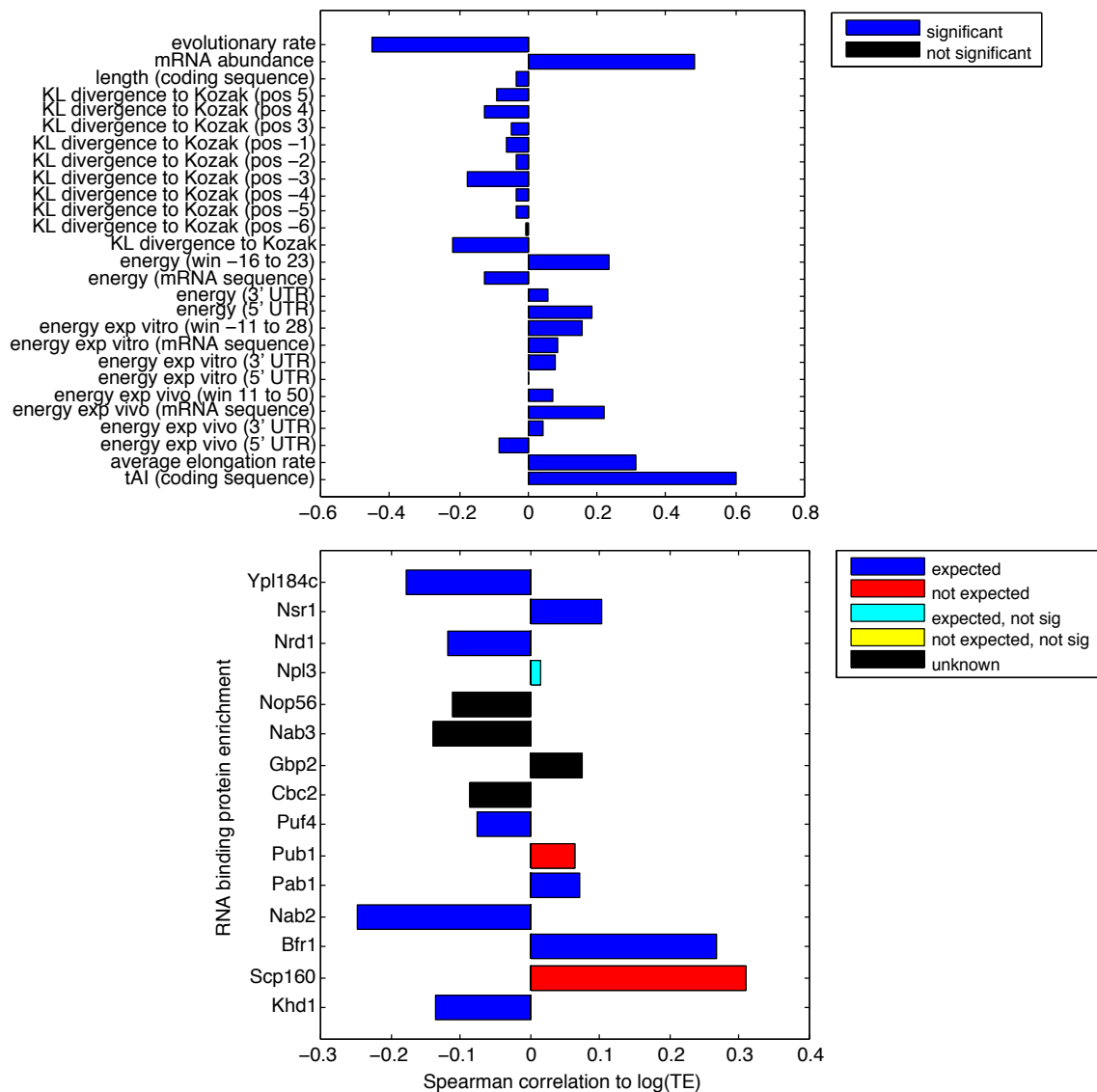


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