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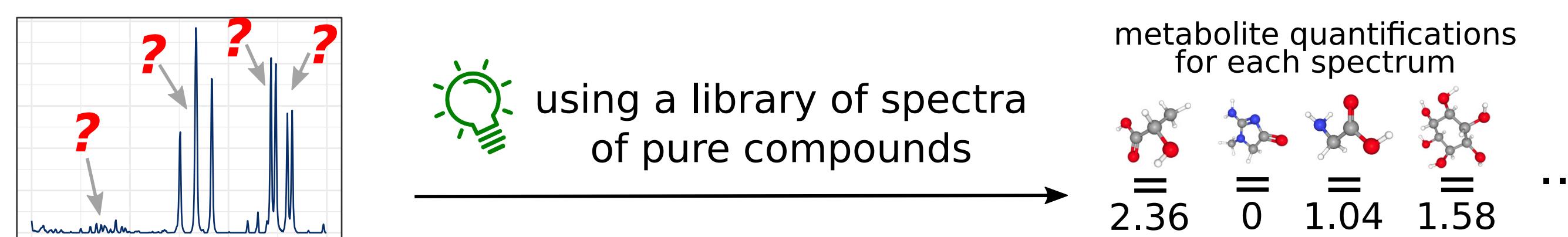
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From NMR spectra to metabolite quantifications

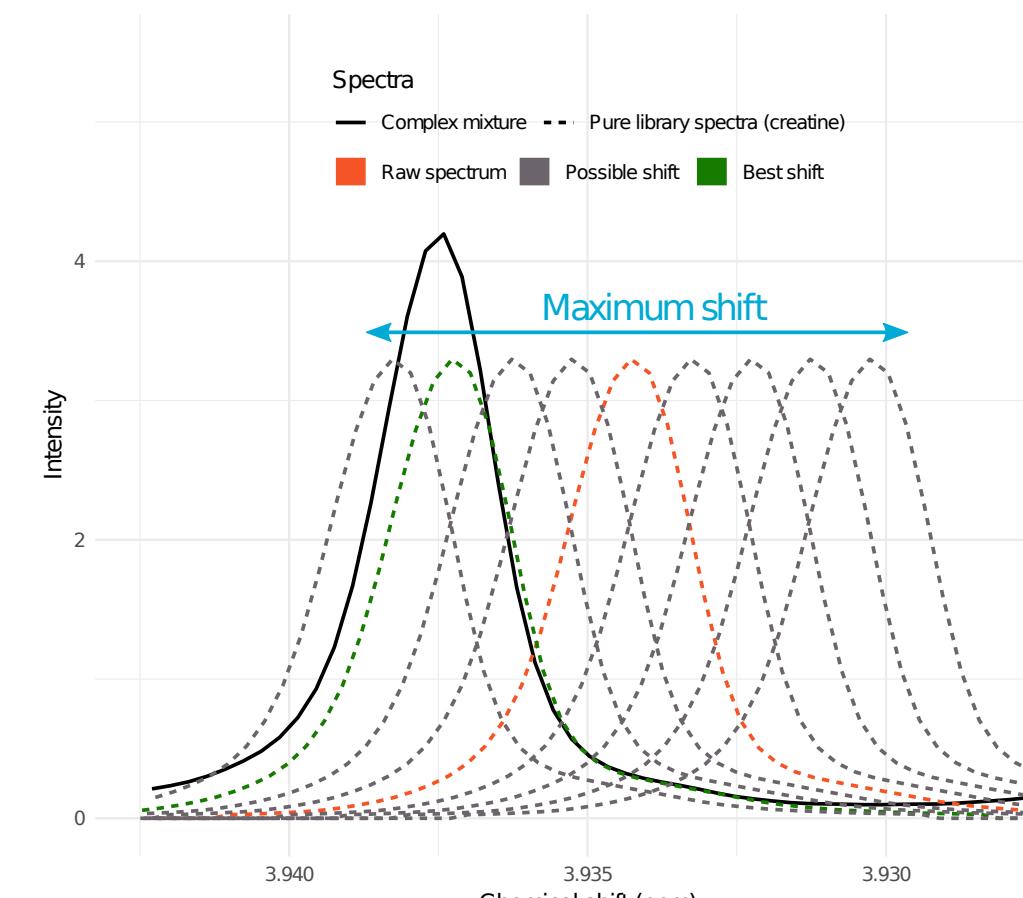


Main features

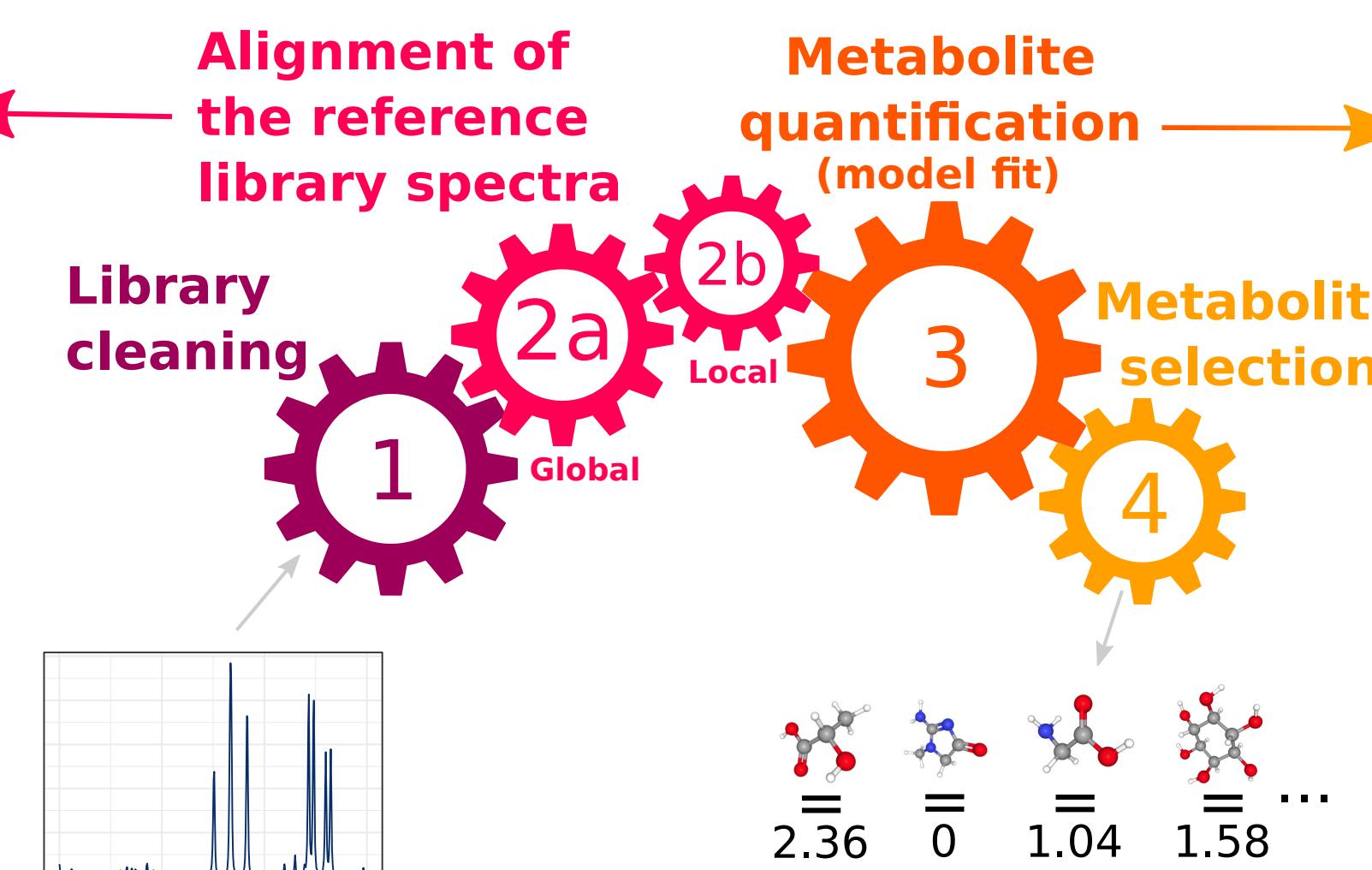
- Joint alignment of pure library spectra by using all complex mixtures together
- Joint quantification and identification of metabolites using multi-response model with a group-Lasso penalty

Independent vs. joint alignment and quantification

Independent
[1] Optimization of the FFT cross-correlation [2] between all possible shifted pure spectra and complex mixture with a common maximum shift for all pure spectra



Quantification workflow

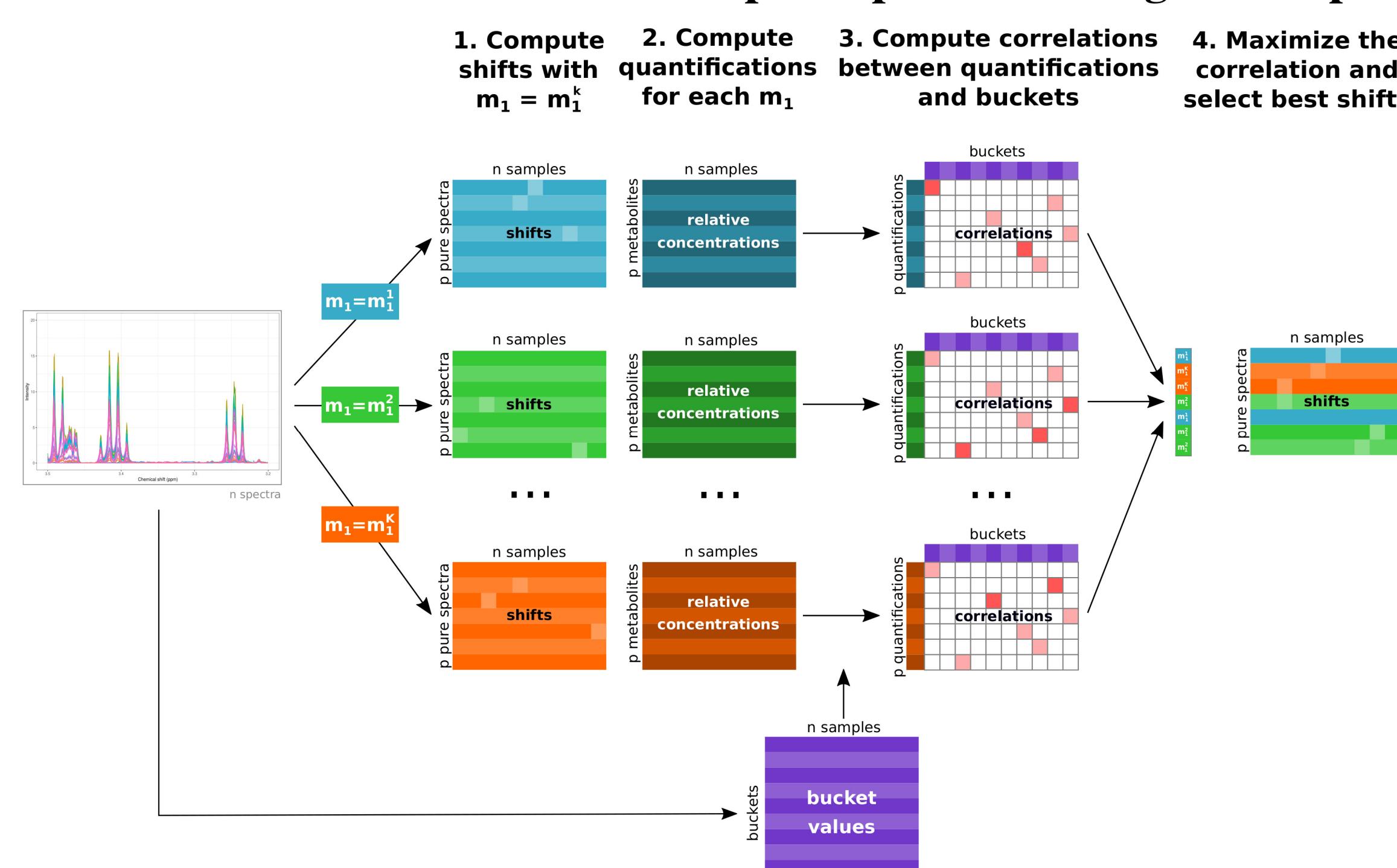


Independent
[1] Estimation of metabolite quantifications using linear combination of pure spectra followed by metabolite selection procedure based on FWER [3]

$$\text{Complex mixture} \quad \text{Pure spectra} \\ f(t) = \sum_{j=1}^p \beta_j g_j(t) + \epsilon(t) \quad \text{with } \beta_j \geq 0 \\ \downarrow \\ \text{Metabolite quantifications}$$

Joint

Optimization of the maximum shift for each pure spectrum using all complex mixtures



Joint

Joint quantification of metabolites using a multi-response model [4] with a group-Lasso penalty [5]

$$\begin{aligned} \text{All complex mixtures} & \quad \text{Pure spectra} \\ \arg \min_{\beta \in \mathbb{R}^{p \times n}} \left\{ \frac{1}{2} \|F - \Gamma G \beta\|_F^2 + \lambda \sum_{j=1}^p \|\beta_j\|_2 \right\}, \quad \text{st } \beta_{ji} \geq 0 \\ & \quad \uparrow \\ & \quad \text{Metabolite quantifications of all complex mixtures} \\ & \quad \uparrow \\ & \quad \text{Group-Lasso penalty} \end{aligned}$$

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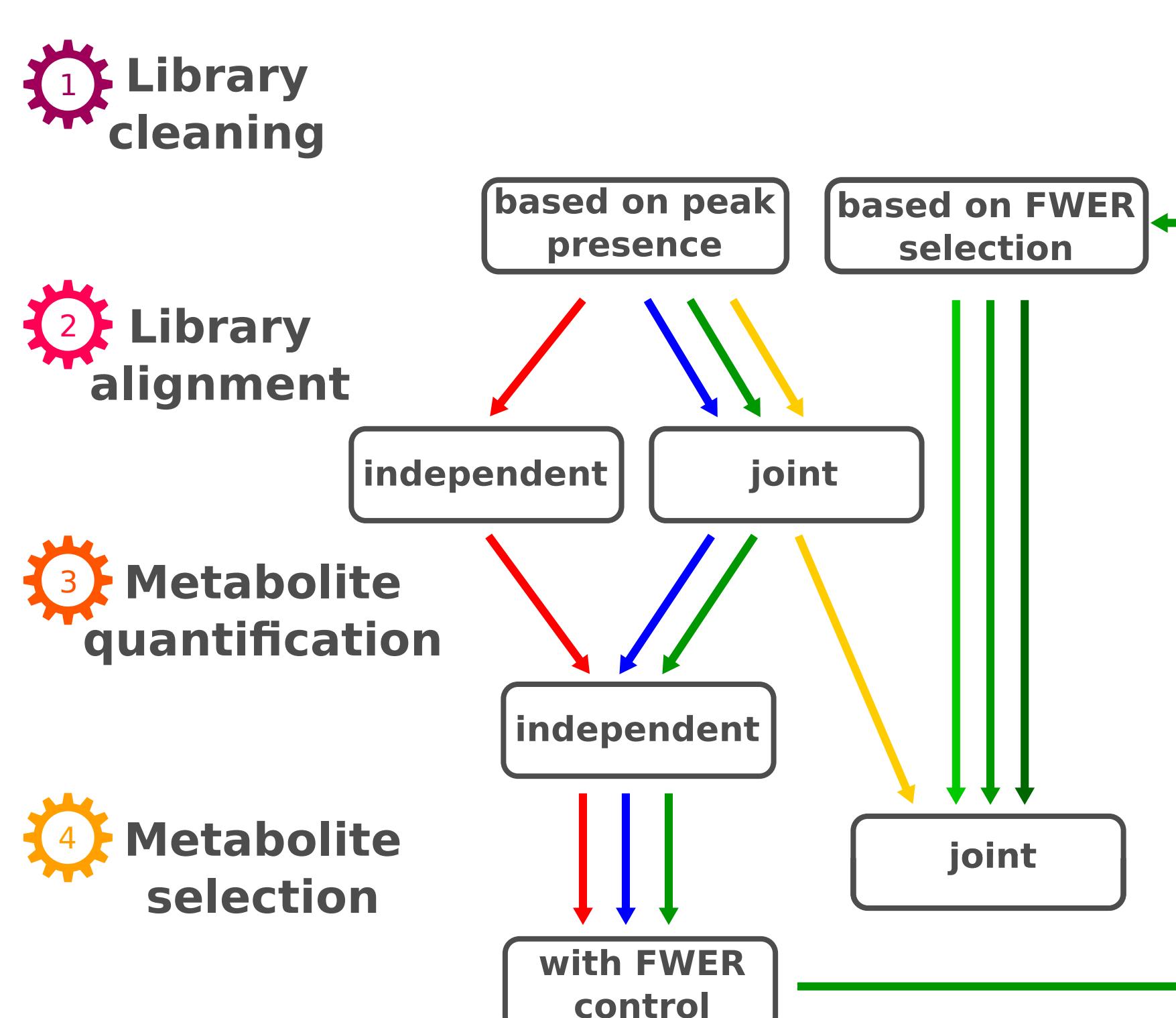
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Evaluation of the new algorithm

Data 97 samples of newborn piglet plasma on which NMR spectra and amino acid UPLC dosages were obtained

Other tested methods icoshift [1] and speaq [2] for alignment and rDolphin [3] for quantification

ASICS Different scenarios tested with ASICS are represented in the figure below



Quantification/UPLC dosage correlations

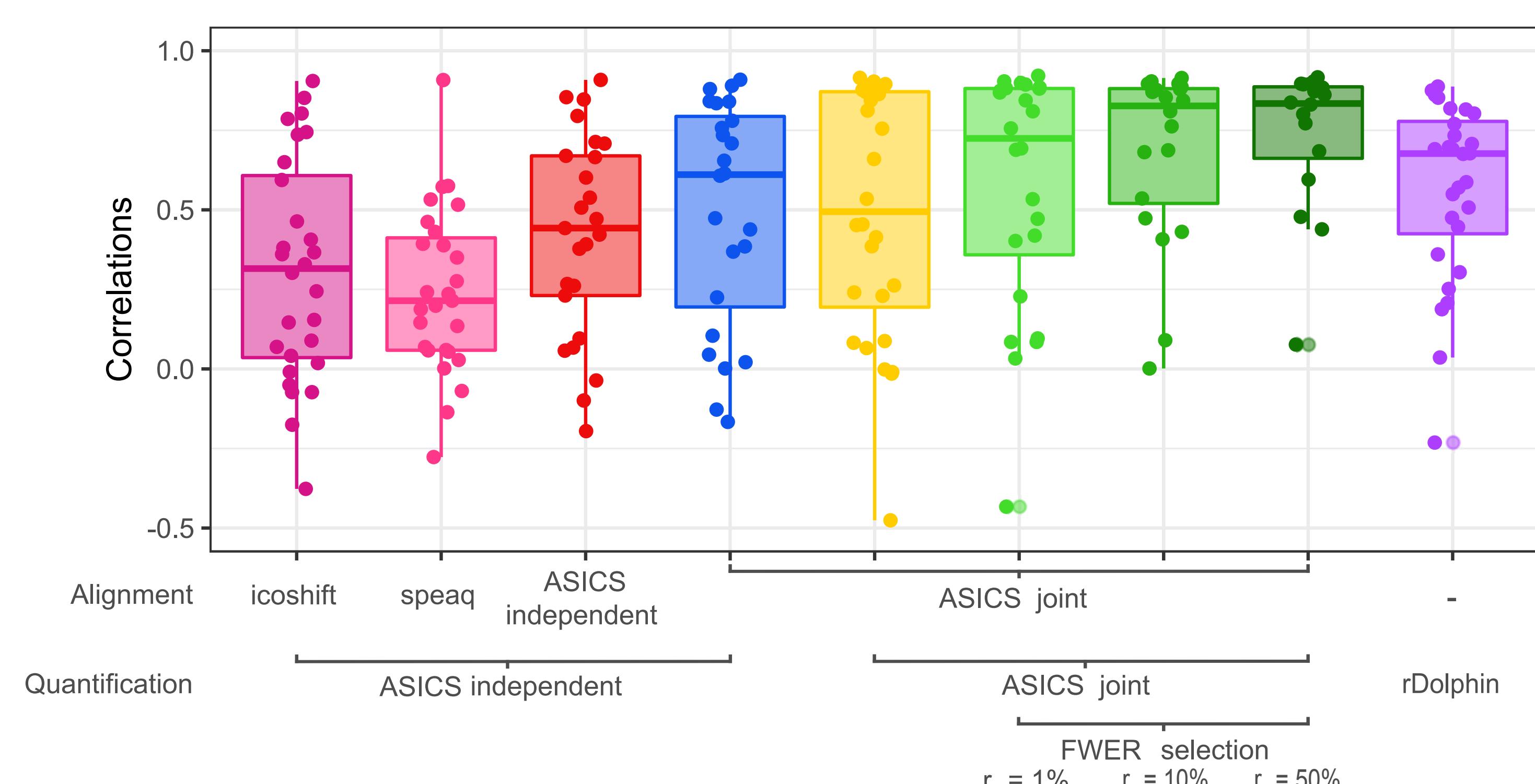


Figure 1. Correlations between metabolite quantifications from NMR spectra and UPLC dosages obtained on same samples shown that ASICS joint alignment is better than other alignments and ASICS joint quantification is better than other methods if it was used with a FWER procedure for metabolite selection ($r_c \geq 10\%$).

Conclusions

- Better results with joined alignment and quantifications
- Available in R ASICS (<https://bioconductor.org/packages/ASICS/>)

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