

Testing whether the observed I_{ss} is significantly lower than I_{ss.c}.

Part I. For a symmetrical tree.

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Prop. invar. sites	0.0000
Mean H	0.4730
Standard Error	0.0251
Hmax	1.8656
I _{ss}	0.2535
I _{ss.c}	0.7628
T	20.3133
DF	926
Prob (Two-tailed)	0.0000
95% Lower Limit	0.2043
95% Upper Limit	0.3027

Part II. For an extreme asymmetrical (and generally very unlikely) tree.

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I _{ss.c}	0.5286
T	10.9715
DF	926
Prob (Two-tailed)	0.0000
95% Lower Limit	0.2043
95% Upper Limit	0.3027

Interpretation of results:

Significant Difference

Yes No

I _{ss} < I _{ss.c}	Little saturation	Substantial saturation

I _{ss} > I _{ss.c}	Useless sequences	Very poor for phylogenetics

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