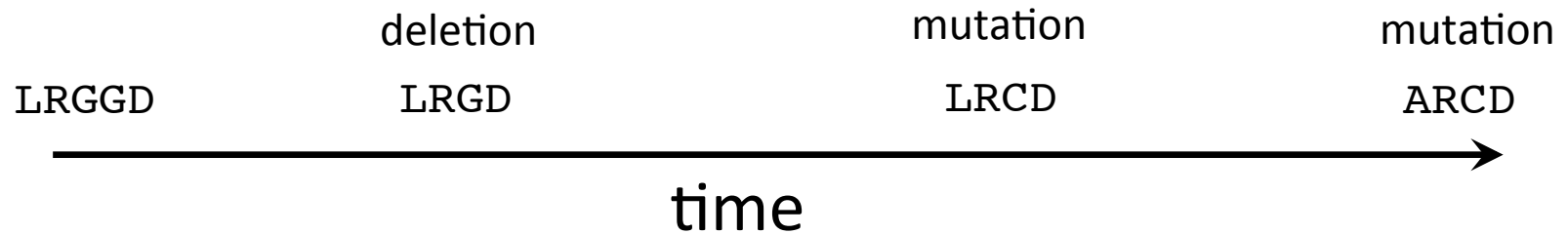


Sequence alignments

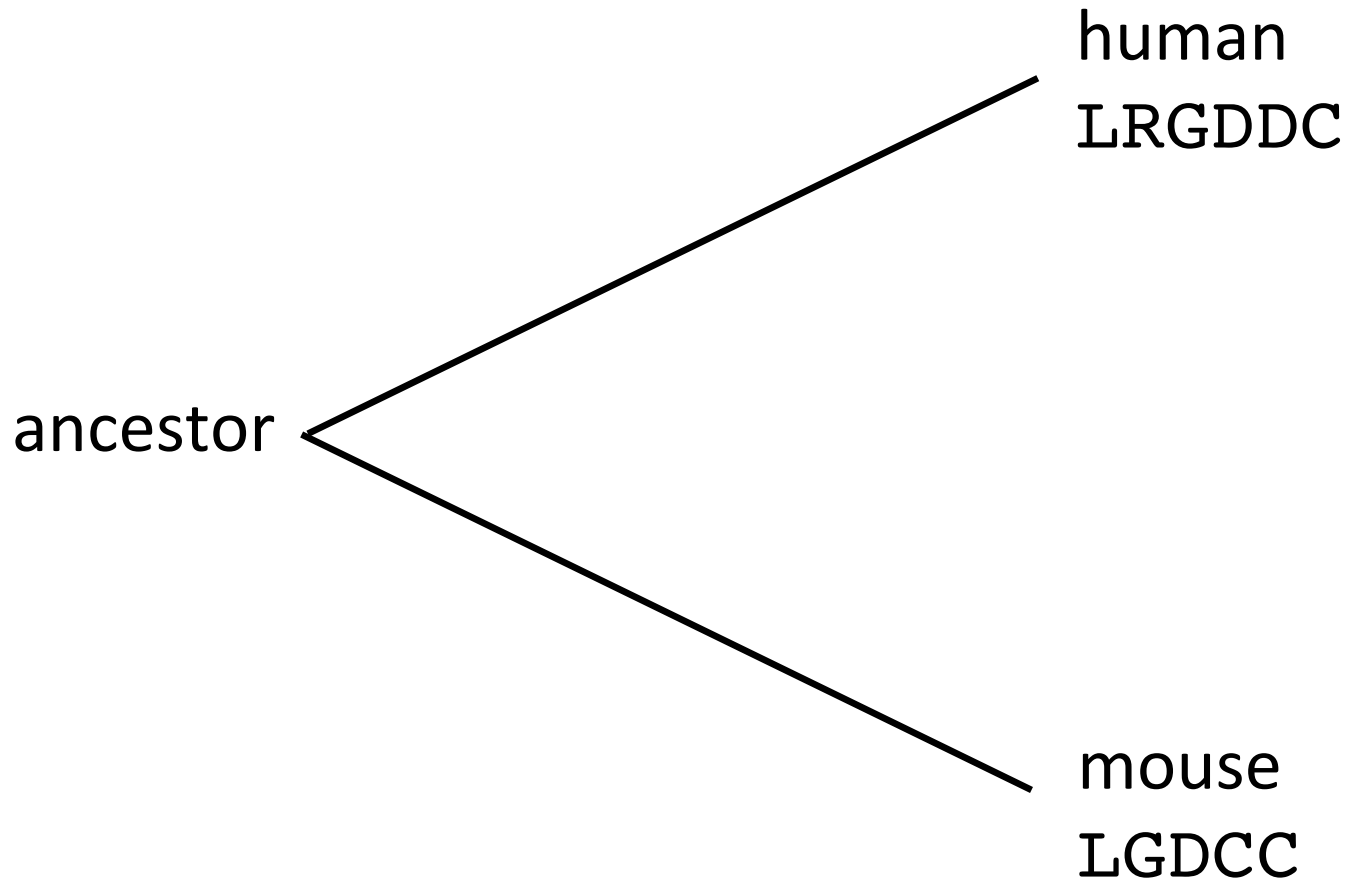
Genetic sequences change over time



Relationship between original and final sequence:

LRGGD or LRGGD
AR-CD ARC-D

In practice: we only know sequences from extant organisms



We need to align these sequences to compare them

human
LRGDDC

mouse
LGDCC

LRGDDC
L-GDCC

LRGDDC-
L-GD-CC

LRGDDC
-LGDCC

Which alignment is correct?

We need to score an alignment

Example:

- match = +1
- mismatch = -1
- gap = 0

LRGDDC	score = 1+0+1+1-1+1
L-GDCC	= 3

LRGDDC-	score = 1+0+1+1+0+1+0
L-GD-CC	= 4

LRGDDC	score = 0-1+1+1-1+1
-LGDCC	= 1

We need to score an alignment

Example:

- match = +1
- mismatch = -1
- gap = -2

LRGDDC

L-GDCC

$$\begin{aligned}\text{score} &= 1 - 2 + 1 + 1 - 1 + 1 \\ &= 1\end{aligned}$$

LRGDDC-

L-GD-CC

$$\begin{aligned}\text{score} &= 1 - 2 + 1 + 1 - 2 + 1 - 2 \\ &= -2\end{aligned}$$

LRGDDC

-LGDCC

$$\begin{aligned}\text{score} &= -2 - 1 + 1 + 1 - 1 + 1 \\ &= -1\end{aligned}$$

We often score by amino-acid similarity

Ala	4																			
Arg	-1	5																		
Asn	-2	0	6																	
Asp	-2	-2	1	6																
Cys	0	-3	-3	-3	9															
Gln	-1	1	0	0	-3	5														
Glu	-1	0	0	2	-4	2	5													
Gly	0	-2	0	-1	-3	-2	-2	6												
His	-2	0	1	-1	-3	0	0	-2	8											
Ile	-1	-3	-3	-3	-1	-3	-3	-4	-3	4										
Leu	-1	-2	-3	-4	-1	-2	-3	-4	-3	2	4									
Lys	-1	2	0	-1	-3	1	1	-2	-1	-3	-2	5								
Met	-1	-1	-2	-3	-1	0	-2	-3	-2	1	2	-1	5							
Phe	-2	-3	-3	-3	-2	-3	-3	-3	-1	0	0	-3	0	6						
Pro	-1	-2	-2	-1	-3	-1	-1	-2	-2	-3	-3	-1	-2	-4	7					
Ser	1	-1	1	0	-1	0	0	0	-1	-2	-2	0	-1	-2	-1	4				
Thr	0	-1	0	-1	-1	-1	-1	-2	-2	-1	-1	-1	-1	-2	-1	1	5			
Trp	-3	-3	-4	-4	-2	-2	-3	-2	-2	-3	-2	-3	-1	1	-4	-3	-2	11		
Tyr	-2	-2	-2	-3	-2	-1	-2	-3	2	-1	-1	-2	-1	3	-3	-2	-2	2	7	
Val	0	-3	-3	-3	-1	-2	-2	-3	-3	3	1	-2	1	-1	-2	-2	0	-3	-1	4
	Ala	Arg	Asn	Asp	Cys	Gln	Glu	Gly	His	Ile	Leu	Lys	Met	Phe	Pro	Ser	Thr	Trp	Tyr	Val

BLOSUM62 Matrix

$$score = \log \frac{p_{ij}}{p_i p_j}$$

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Gaps in alignments are called “indels”

LRGDDC
L-GDCC
↑
indel

Can you guess why?

How do we find the best alignment given a scoring system?

Global alignment: Needleman-Wunsch algorithm

Example: align GCAT and GAT

Scoring: match = 1, mismatch = -1, gap = -1

	-	G	C	A	T
-					
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A					
T					

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	-	G	C	A	T
-	0	-1	-2	-3	-4
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A	-2				
T	-3				

Alignment:

-GAT

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G	-1	?			
A	-2				
T	-3				

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-G-

--G

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--G

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Alignment:

–GCAT

–G–AT

Now try on your own

Align ATGCT and ATTACA

Scoring: match = 1, mismatch = -1, gap = -1

	-	A	T	T	A	C	A
-							
A							
T							
G							
C							
T							

Multiple sequence alignment (MSA)

B9SI54 | B9SI54_RICCO_263_570
 Q01I60 | Q01I60_ORYSA_160_476
 C5Y8S2 | C5Y8S2_SORBI_153_466
 B4FRR6 | B4FRR6_MAIZE_154_469
 D7U4G4 | D7U4G4_VITVI_82_394
 D7M270 | D7M270_ARALY_263_574
 Q8L7Q7 | PME64_ARATH_283_601
 D8QSM2 | D8QSM2_SELML_242_541
 A9TZ89 | A9TZ89_PHYPA_262_575
 D8SH72 | D8SH72_SELML_209_529

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-----DAVVAAD-----GSGQFKTIGEALNSYKLNTK--GWYVIYVKAGVYNEHVFIS
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---IRPDATVCK--PNSGAEP CGYSTVQAAVDAAPNYTA--GHFVIAVAAGTYKENIVIP
---IRPDATVCK--PNSGVKPCGYSTVQAAVDAAPNHTAGAGHFAIAVGAGTYKENVVIP
--SPQPNATVCKG-----GDGCKYKTVEAVNAAPDNDS--SRKFVIRIQEGVYEETVRVP
-SGLKEDVTVC KD-----GKCGYKTVDVNAAPEDNG--MRKFVIRISEGVYEENVVIP
-SGLTEDVTVC KN-----GGKDKYKTVEAVDSAPDTNR--TVKFVIRIREGVYEETVRVP
-----SVV-----VGKSGSFKTIQE AID SAPSNSK--ERFSIYIQEGIYDERIYVS
---SPSVTVDI-----YSAFSSIQRAVDLAPDWST--QRYVIYIKTG VYNEVVRIP
ASLISPSAIVSRT--PDQPQLTIFTSIQAAVDHAPNHCT--ARYVIYIKAGVYAENVVRIP
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Software to generate MSAs

- MAFFT
(very good, very fast)
<http://mafft.cbrc.jp/alignment/software/>
- Clustal Omega
(very good, very fast)
<http://www.ebi.ac.uk/Tools/msa/clustalo/>
- PRANK
(extremely good, very slow)
<http://wasabiapp.org/software/prank/>