Session 1

Tree basics

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Before we start

- Some basic rules
  - Please, if you want to contact me, use the oscar.lao@ibe.upf-clisc.es email (I also check the ESCI one, but less).
- Classroom dynamic
  - Each session is divided in two parts of ~55 minutes.
  - Two hours of theory. Two hours of practical (bring your own laptop!)
- Assessments

- Project shared with ASAB
  - To be done in groups of ~four people.
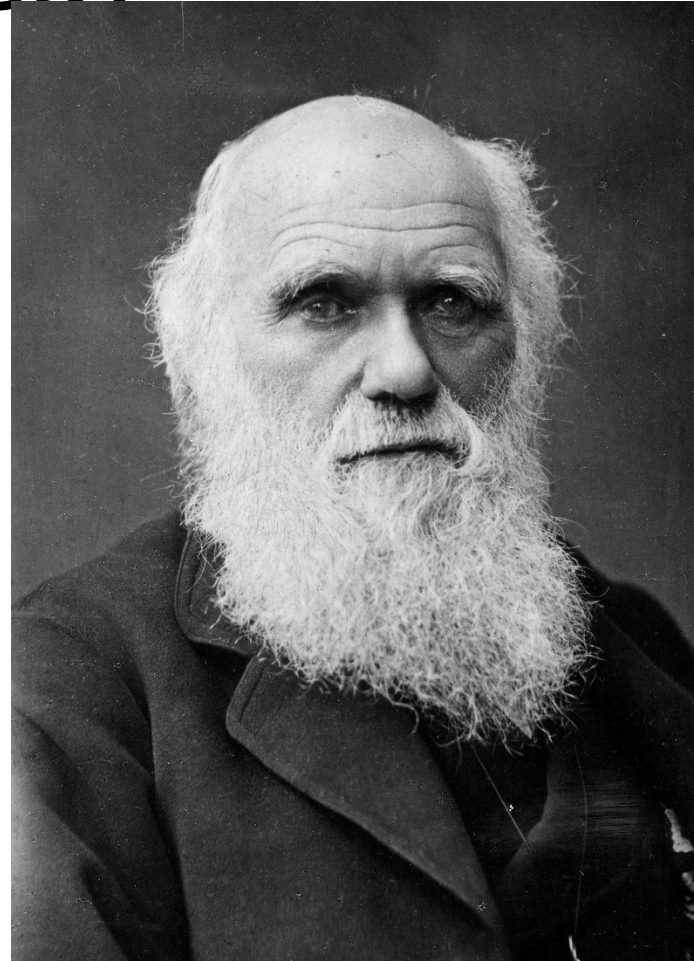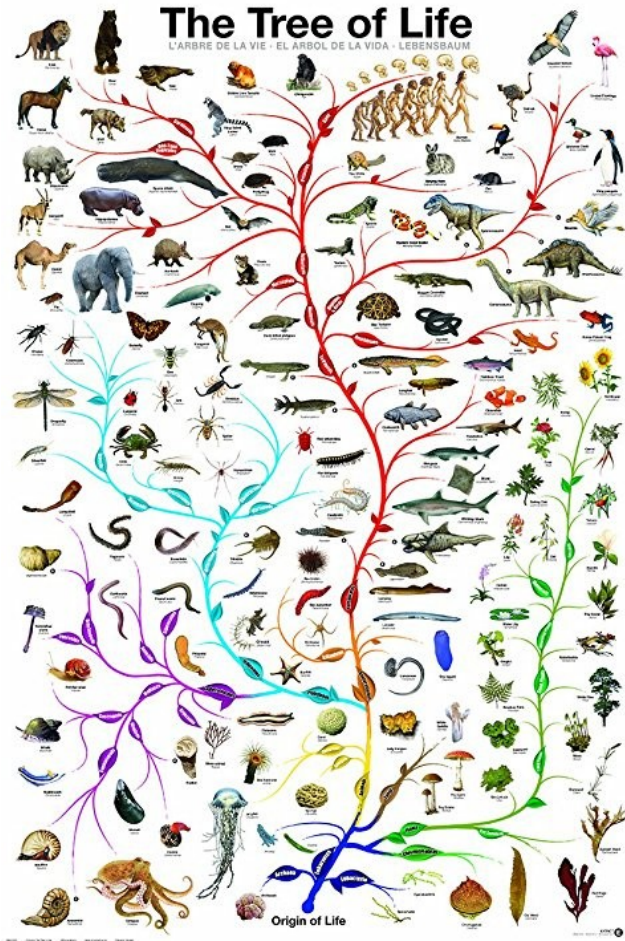- Exams
  - Midterm and final exam

Before we start

- Weekly Assignments are individual, NOT BY PAIRS.
- Plagiarism
- Python
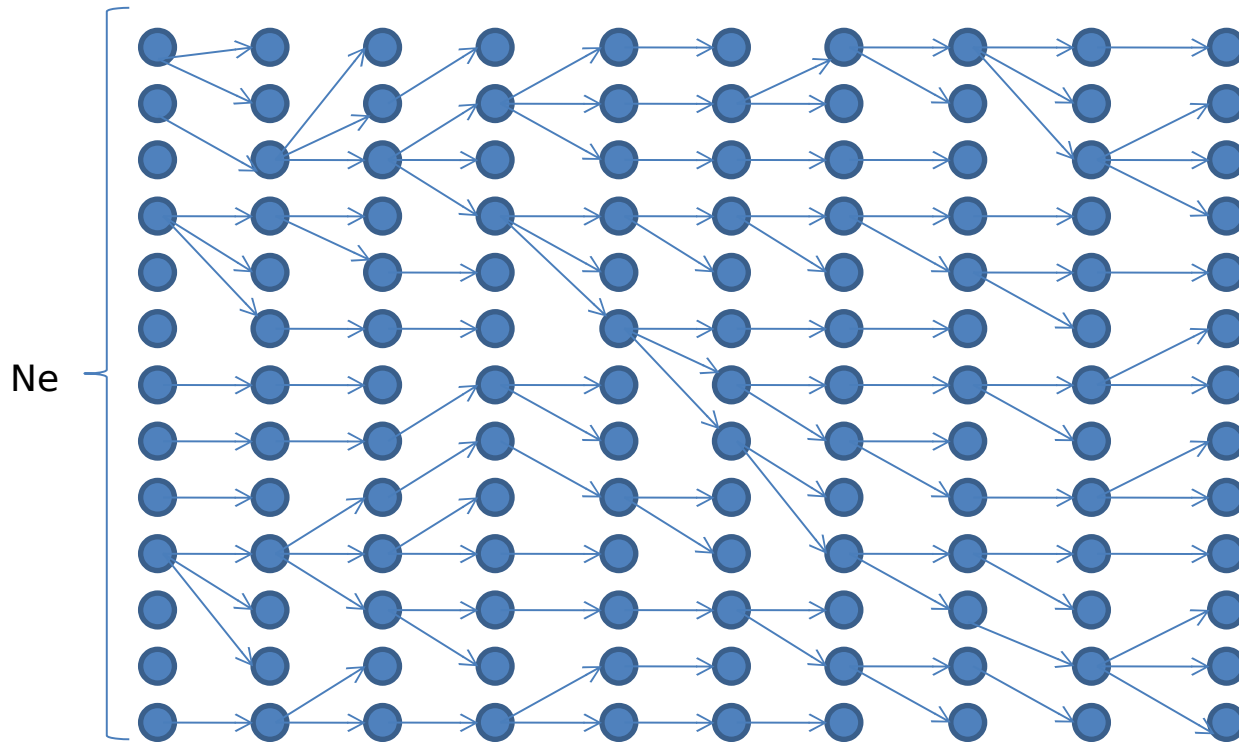- Comment your code

WHY IS THIS A JOKE?
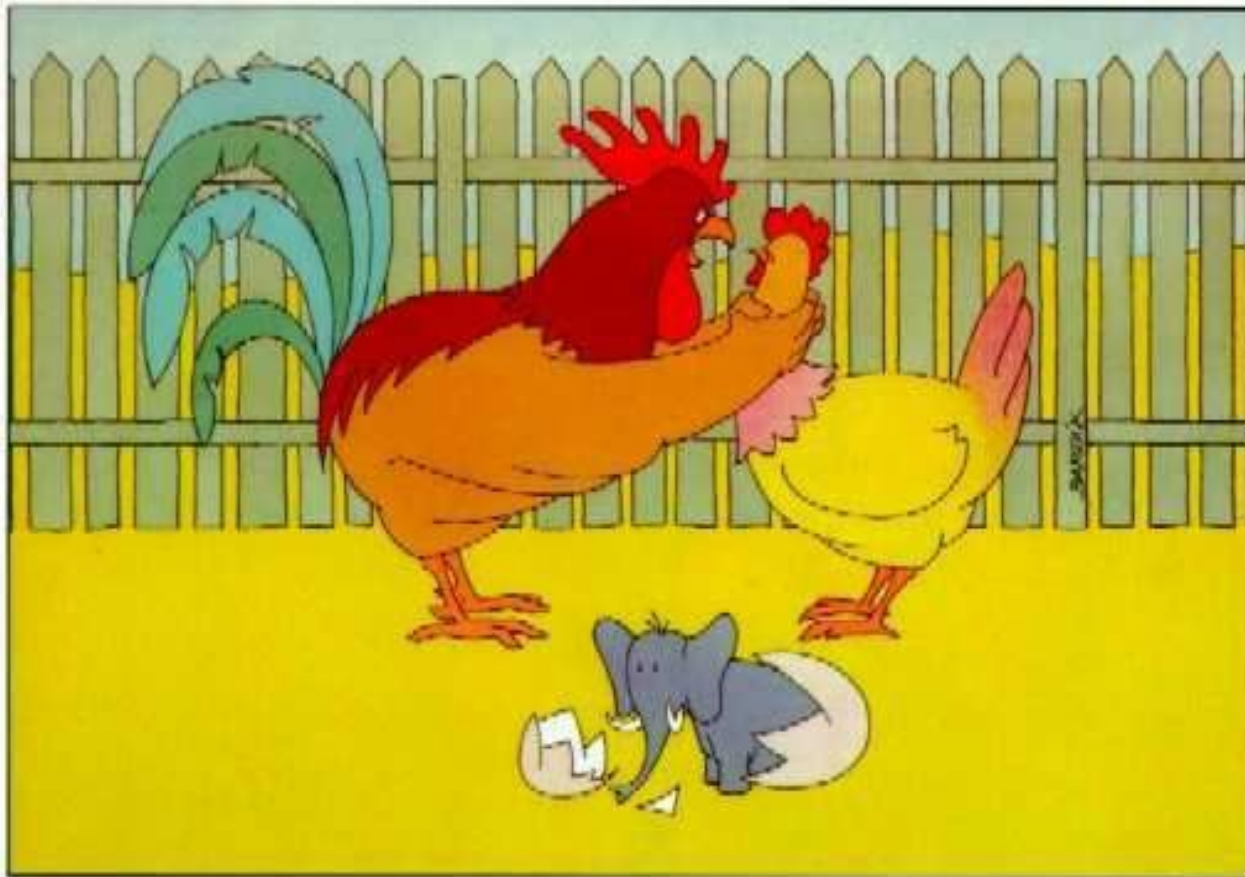
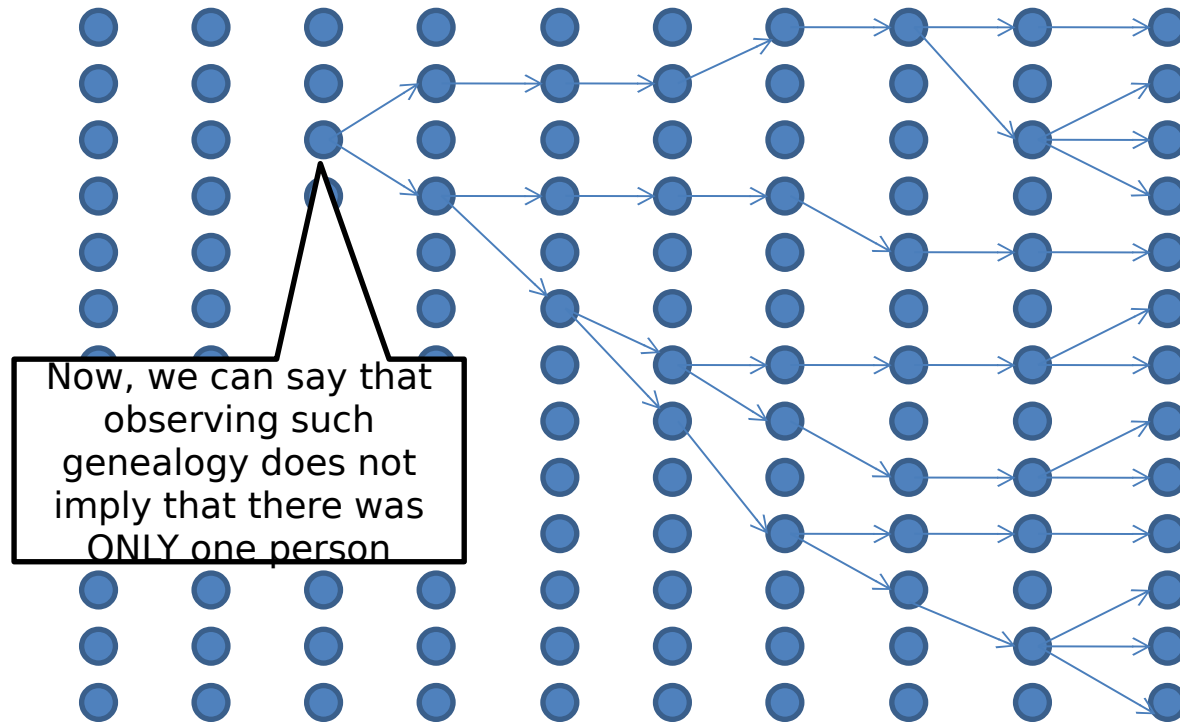# Why do we have to think in trees?

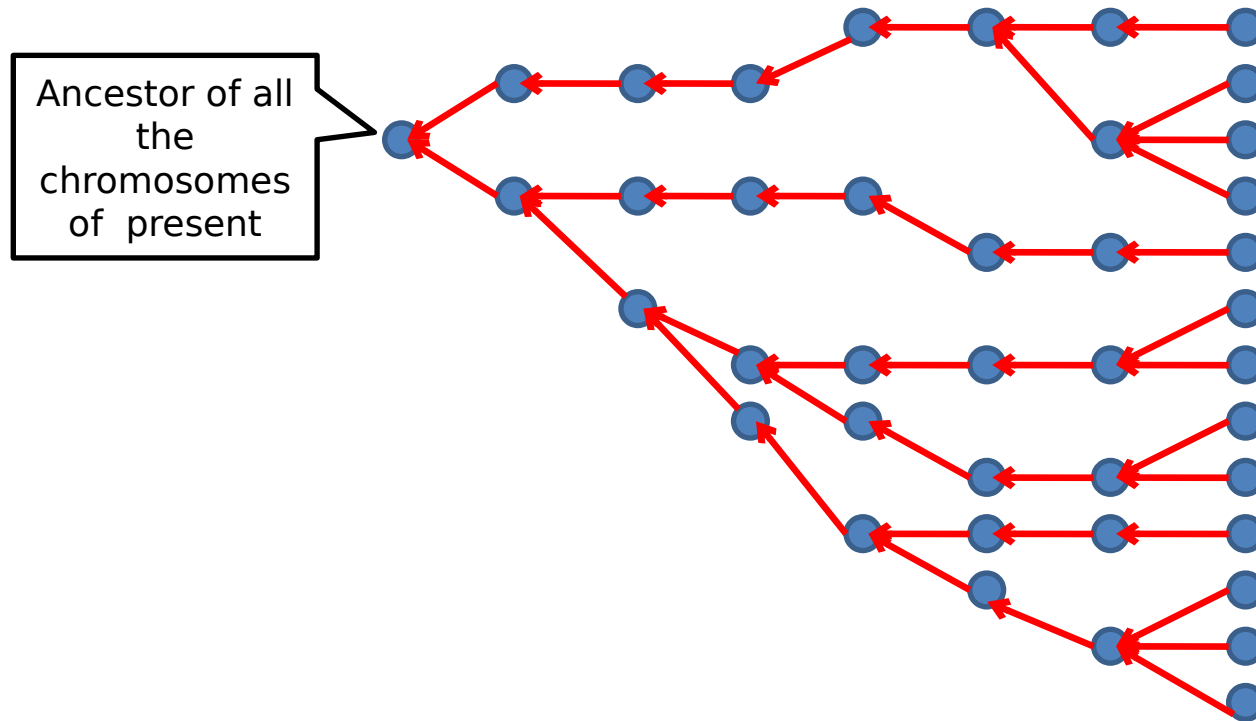# Why do we have to think in trees?

Why do we have to think in trees?

Now, we can say that observing such genealogy does not imply that there was ONLY one person

Why do we have to think in trees?

Ancestor of all the chromosomes of present

Why do we have to think in trees?

Somatic mutation – non-heritable
- **normal soma**: daughter cells carry mutation – 'somatic mosaic'
- **cancer**: clonal expansion of mutant cells

Germ-line mutation – heritable

From an evolutionary point of view these are the important ones!
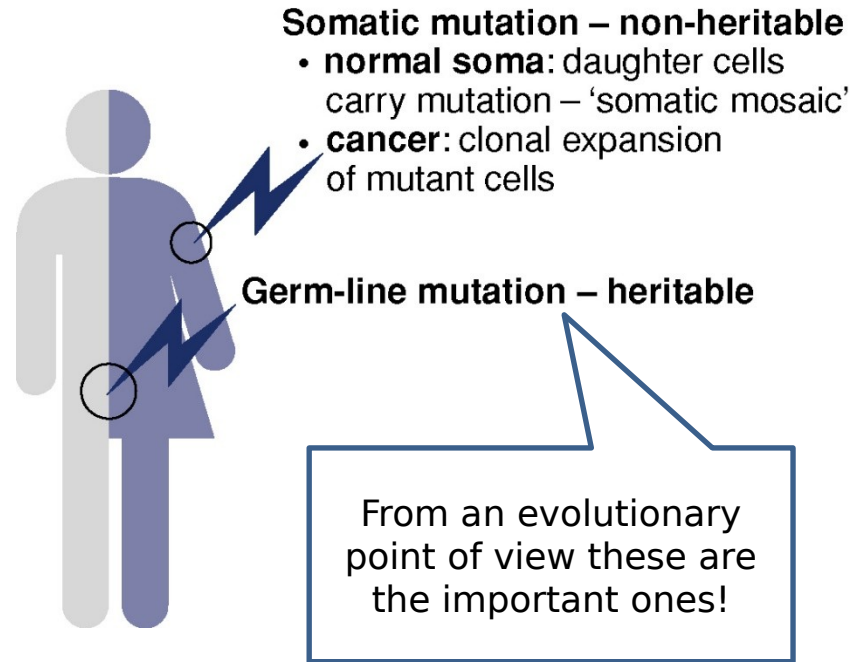
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Why do we have to think in trees?

A mutation occurs at random in one nucleotide that does not influence reproduction

Why do we have to think in trees?

Ancestral sequence
AAAAAAAA

2 -> C

4 -> C

5 -> C

7 -> G

1 -> G   GAAAAAAA

3 -> G

6 -> T

8 -> T

AAAAAAAA
AAAAAAAA
AAAAAAAA
ACGAAAAA
AAACCAAA
AAACCAAA
AAACATAA

Why do we have to think in trees?

Ancestral sequence

AACCTGTGCA

Seq1   AATCTGTGTA   Seq2   ATCCTGGGTT
      *   *   *   * **

Seq1   AATCTGTGTA
seq2   ATCCTGGGTT
        **   *   *
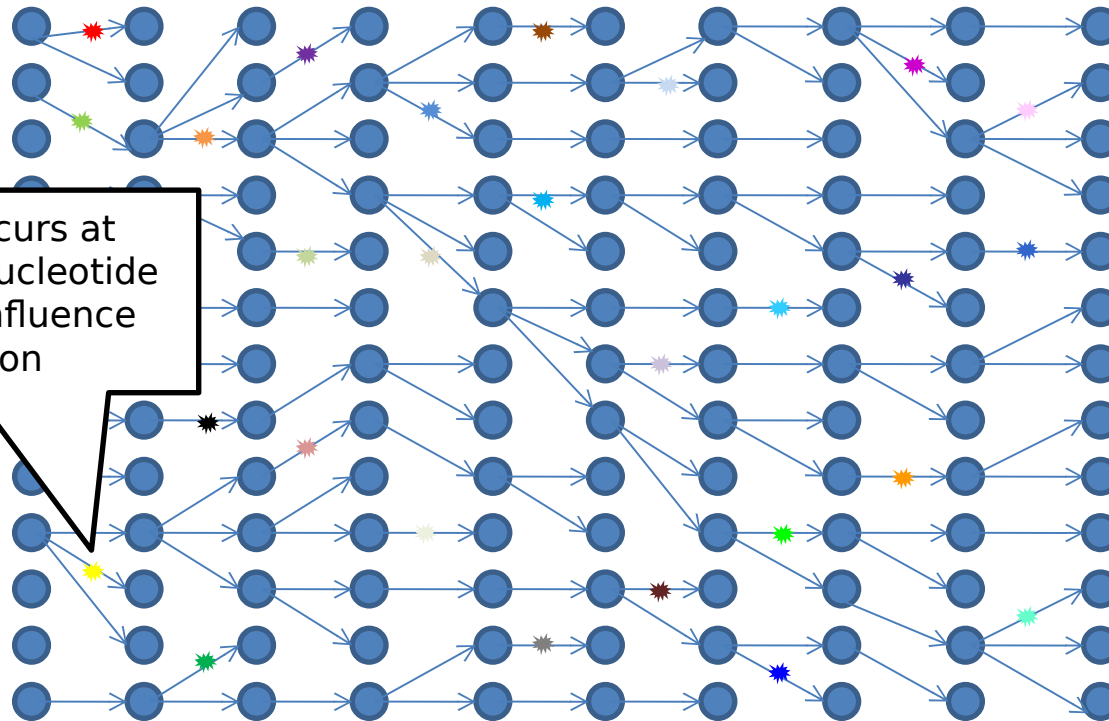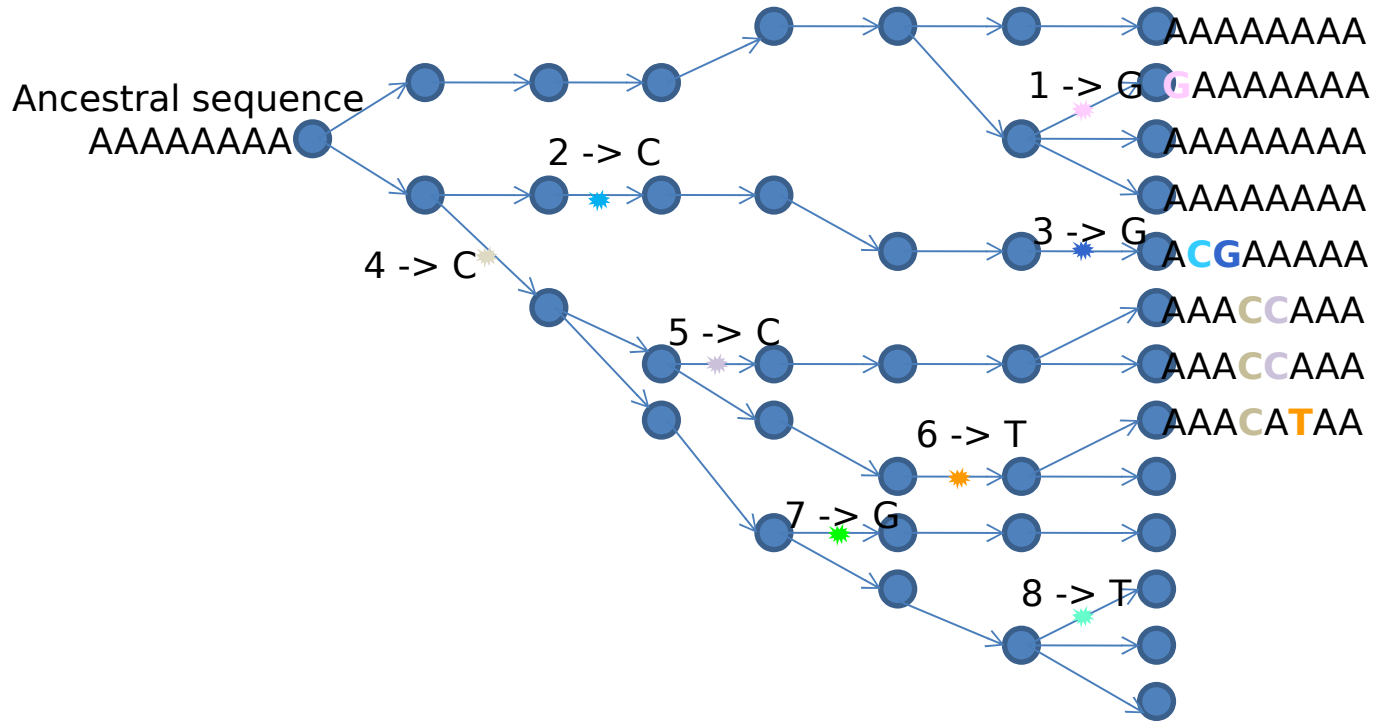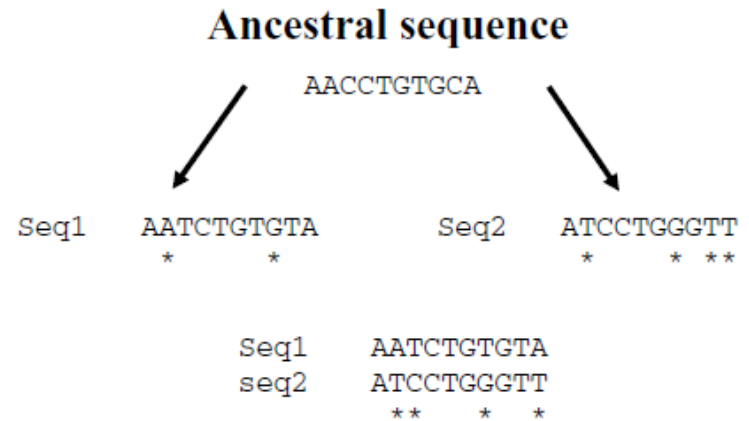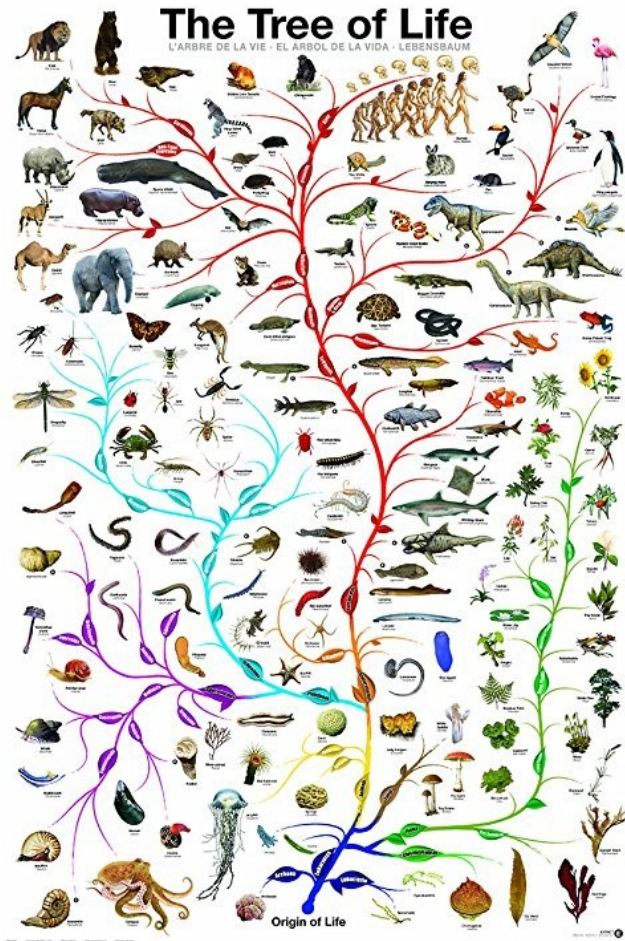
P-distance = 4

What is a tree?

Leaf (vertex)

Alpha   Delta   Gamma   Beta   Epsilon

Node (vertex)

Branch (edge)

Root

Alpha   Delta   Gamma   Beta   Epsilon

Is this a tree? Why?
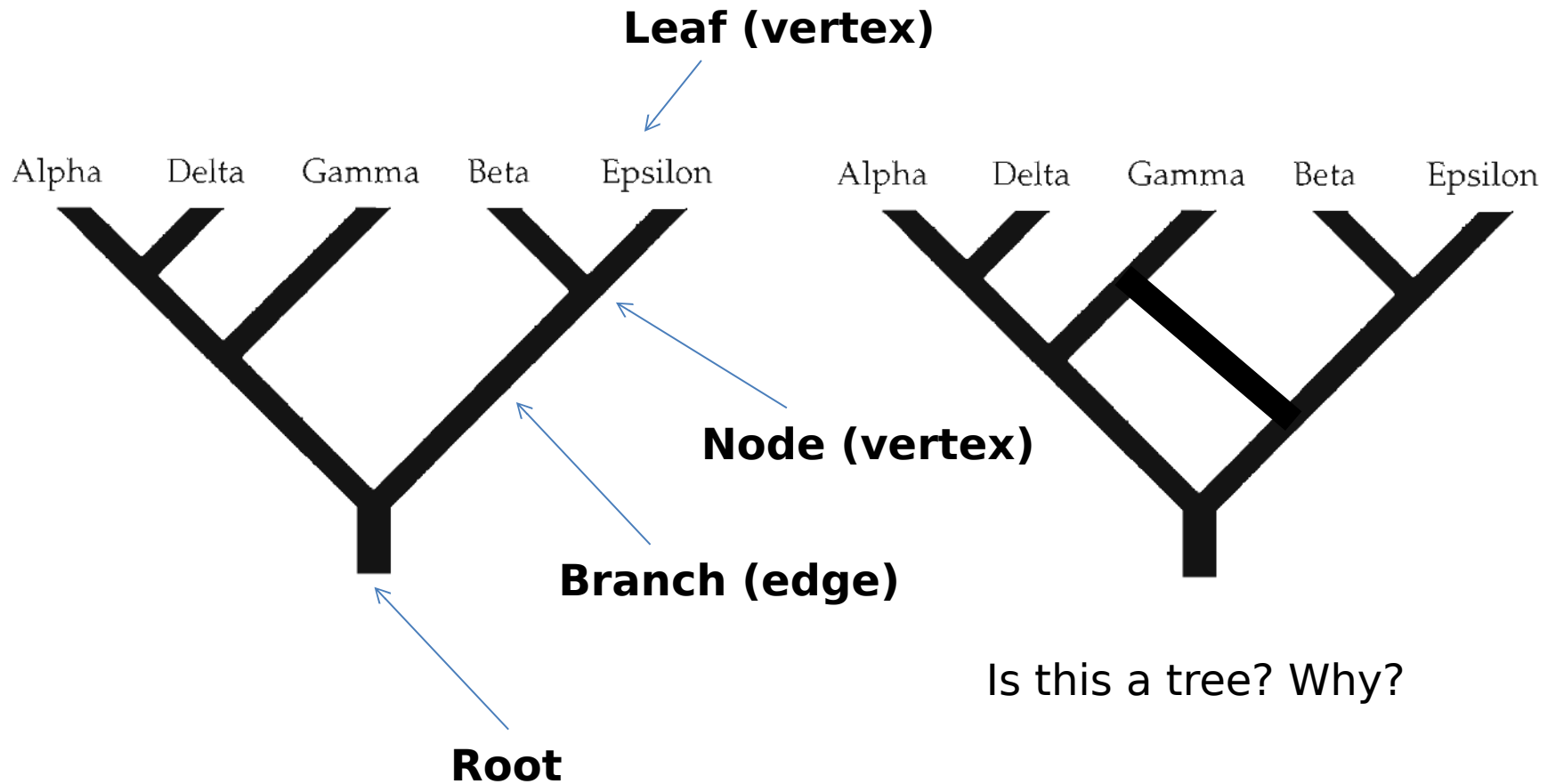
What is a tree?

What is a tree

- Type of graph
- Connected acyclical graph
  - Leaf: vertex of degree one
- Depicts the relationship between Operational Taxonomic Unit (OTUs)

Ways of describing a tree
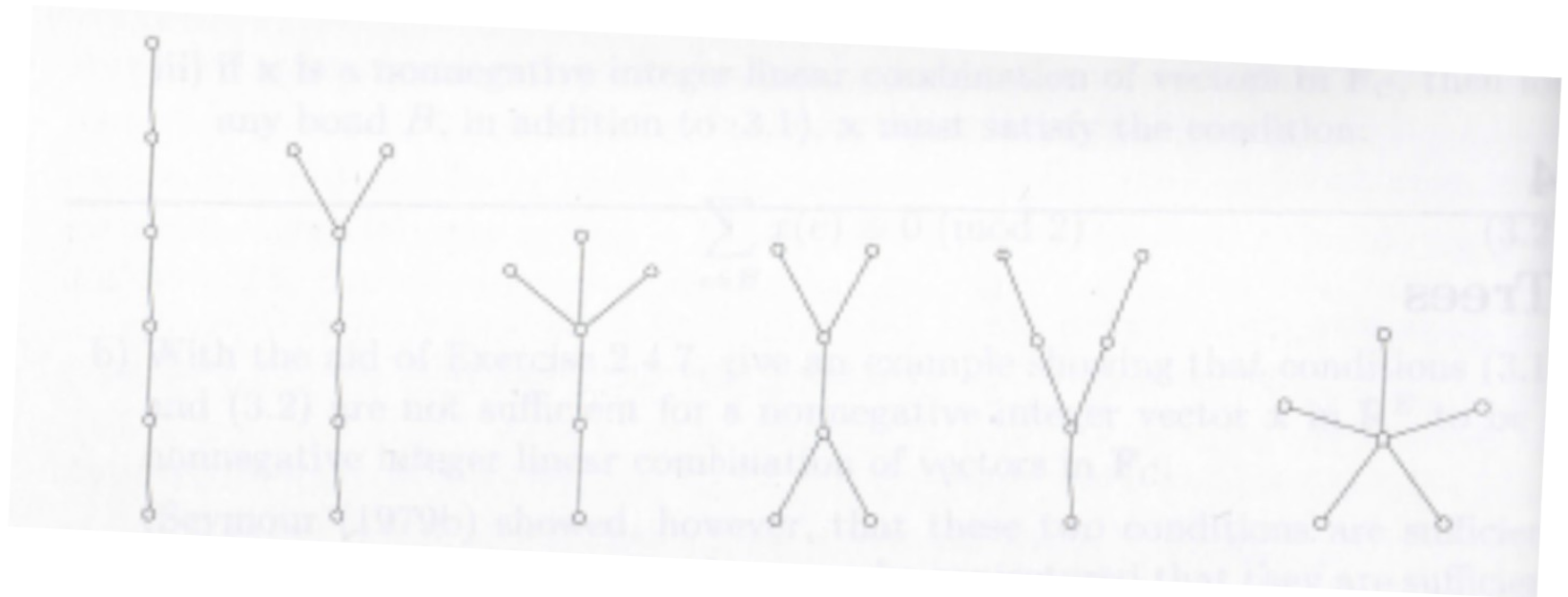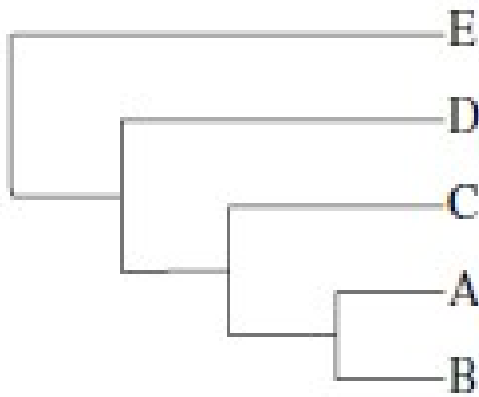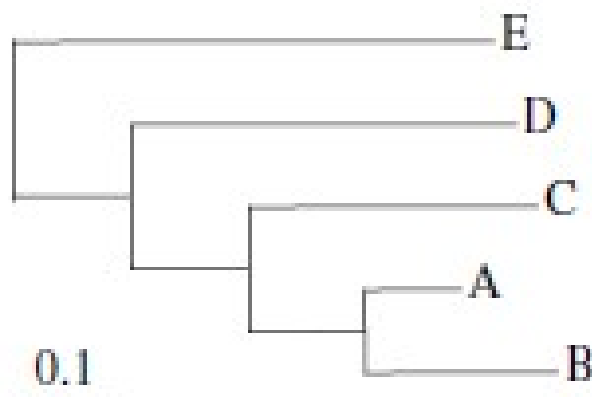

(a) Cladogram   (b) Phylogram   (c) Unrooted tree
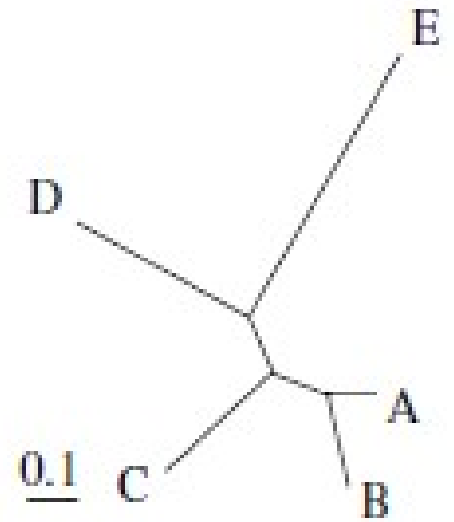
Ways of describing a tree

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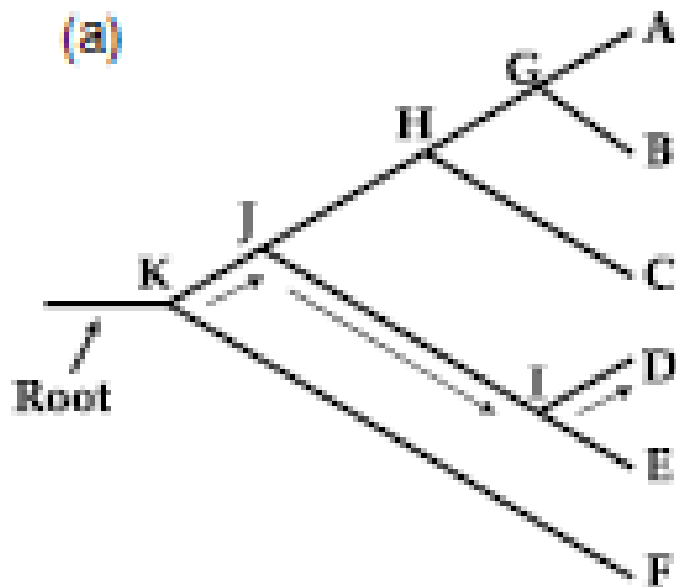
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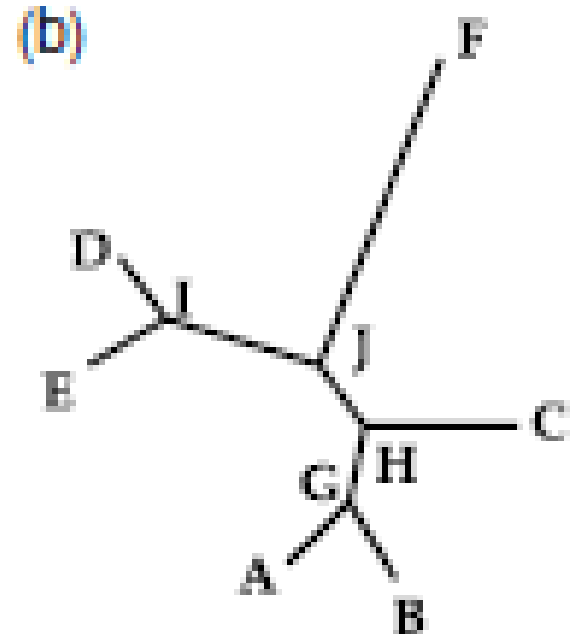
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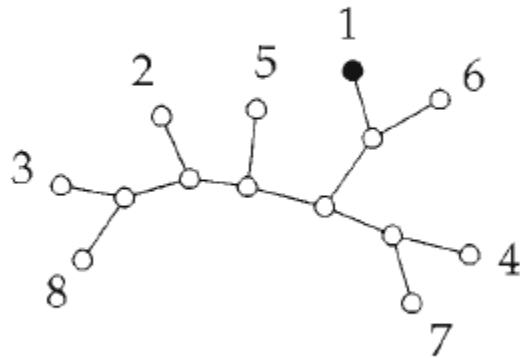
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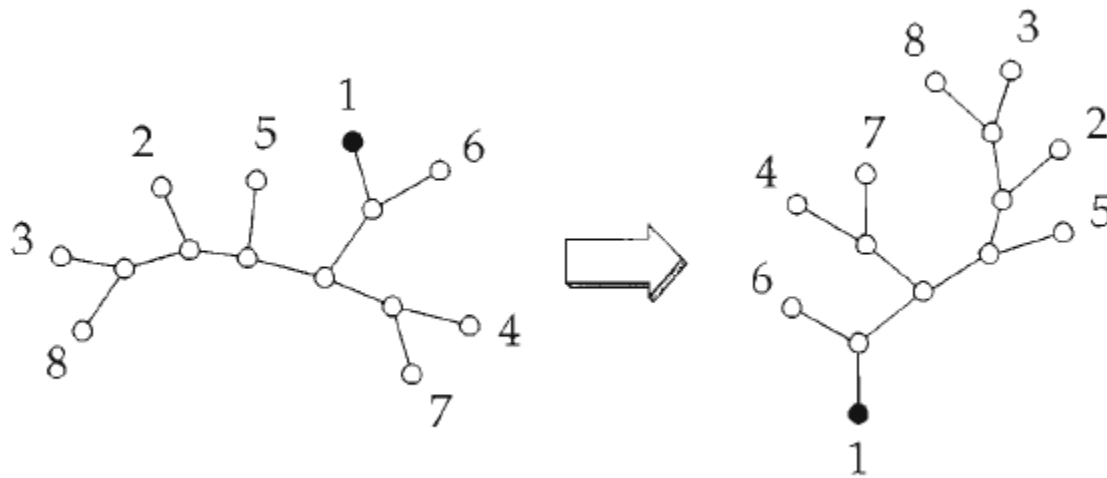
In the context of graph theory, what is a root?

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In the context of a tree, what does a root mean?

Bifurcated vs multifurcated

Resolved vs unresolved

(a)

Polytomy

Star tree   Partially-resolved tree   Fully-resolved tree

(b)

Polytomy

Star tree   Partially-resolved tree   Fully-resolved tree
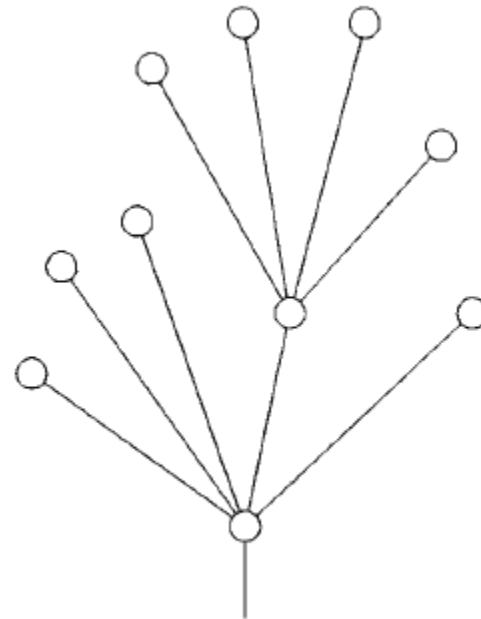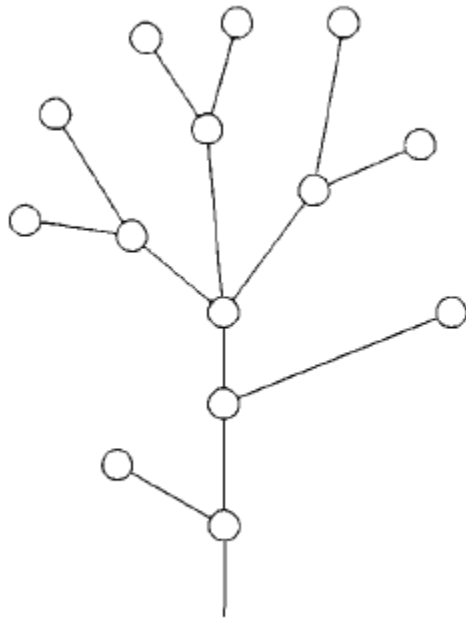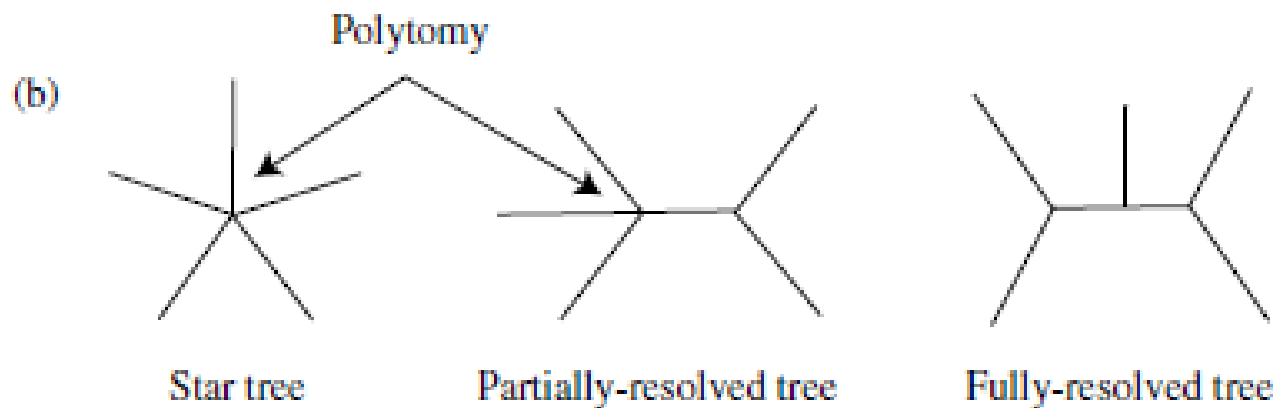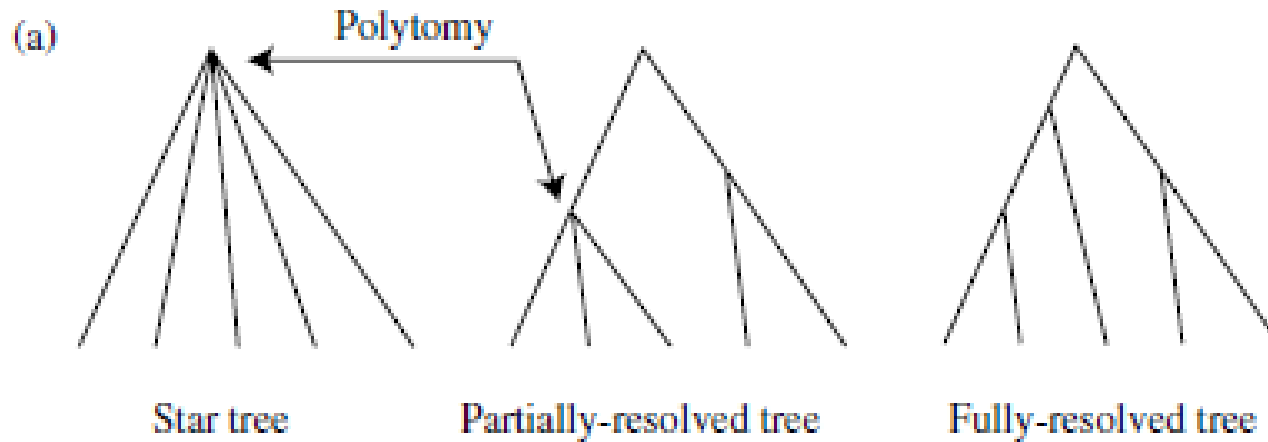
How do we interpret a tree?

- Tree topology
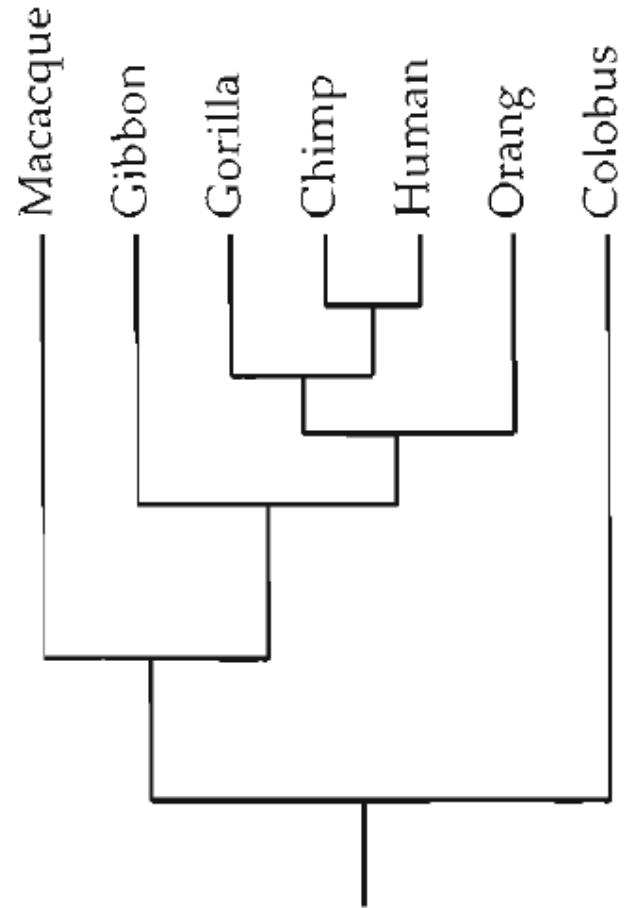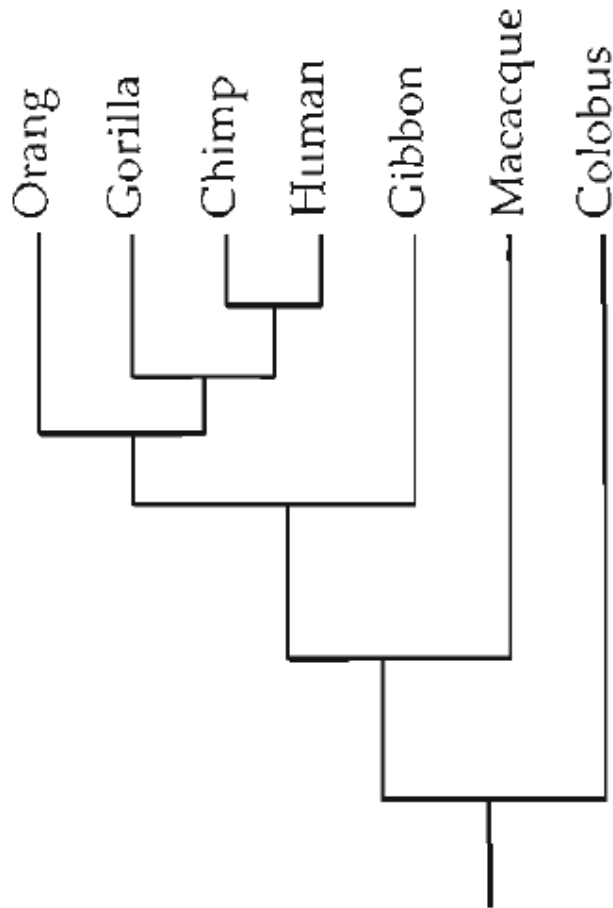
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- Distance between trees
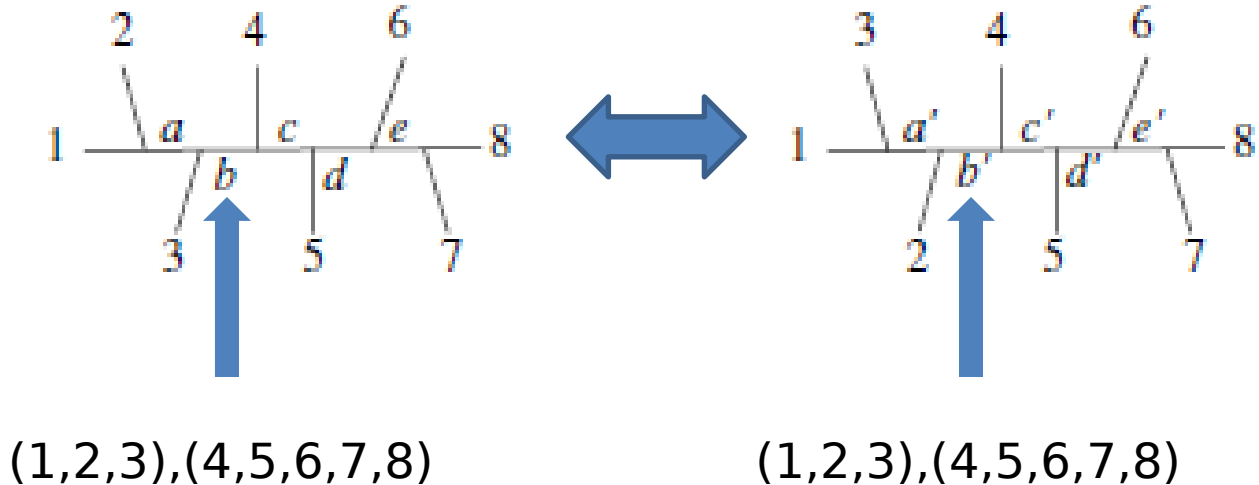
(1,2,3),(4,5,6,7,8)   (1,2,3),(4,5,6,7,8)

total number of bipartitions that are in one tree but not in the other

How do we interpret a tree?

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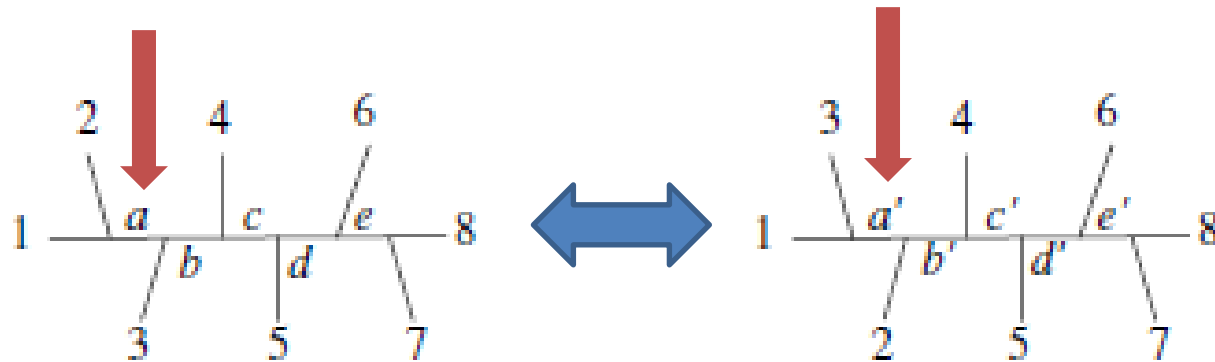
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How do we interpret a tree?

- Branch length
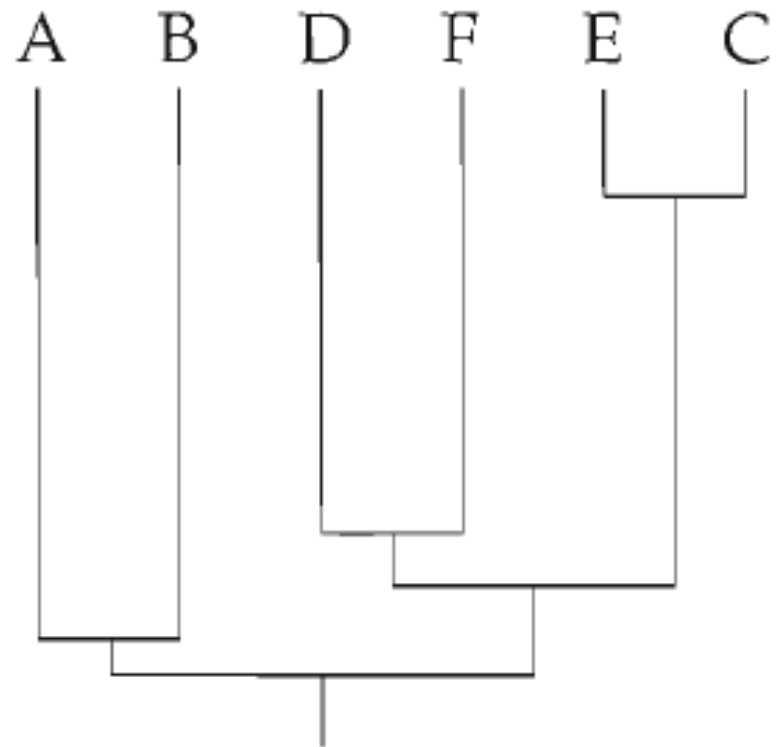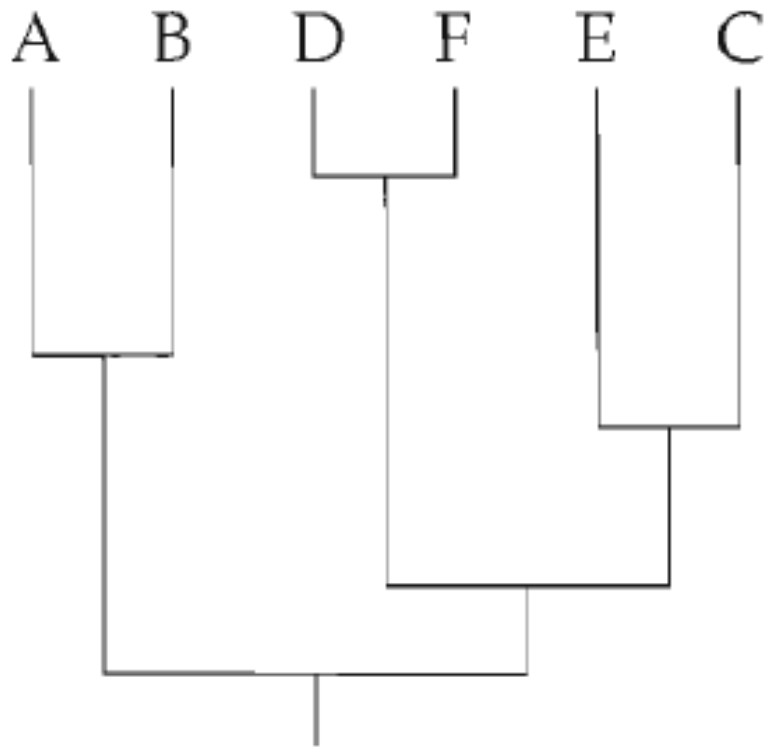
Ways of describing a tree

- Newick format
  - Each internal node is defined by the connections (,)
  - Length between nodes is defined by :

B

C

A

L2

L1 N1

L4

(A:L1,B:L2)

L3 N2

(N1:L3,C:L4)
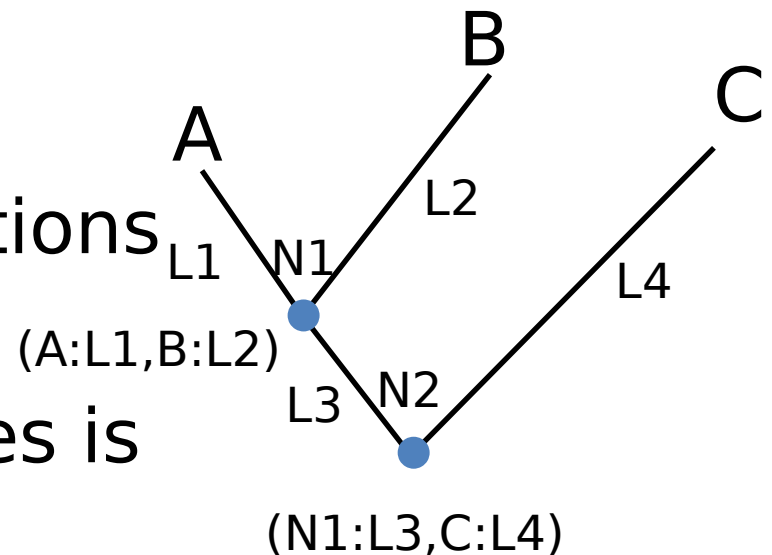
((A:L1,B:L2):L3,C:L4)
(C:L4,(A:L1,B:L2):L3)

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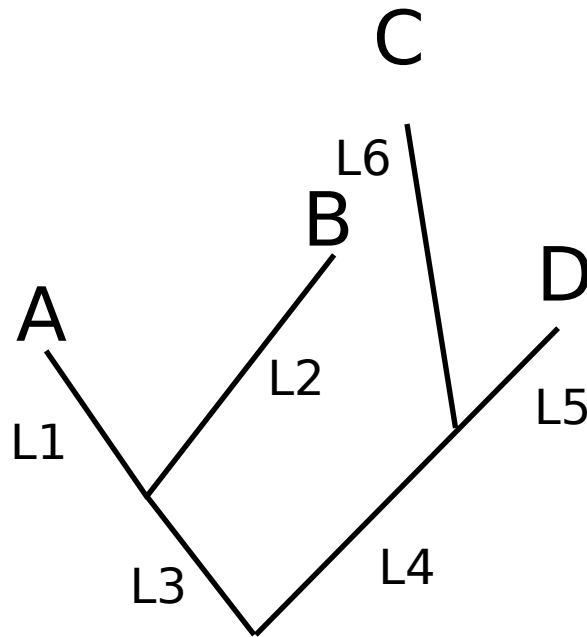
Ways of describing a tree

(A:L1,((C:L6,B:L3):L2,D:L5):L4)

Trees vs reality

When a tree is not reflecting reality?

Trees vs reality

Horizontal gene transfer
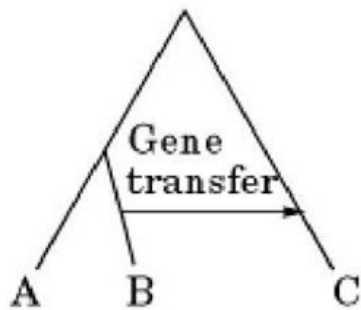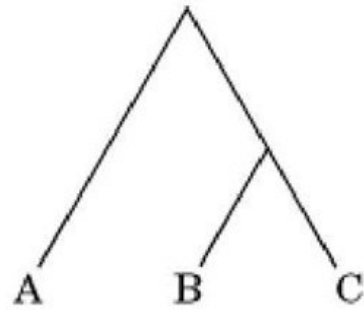
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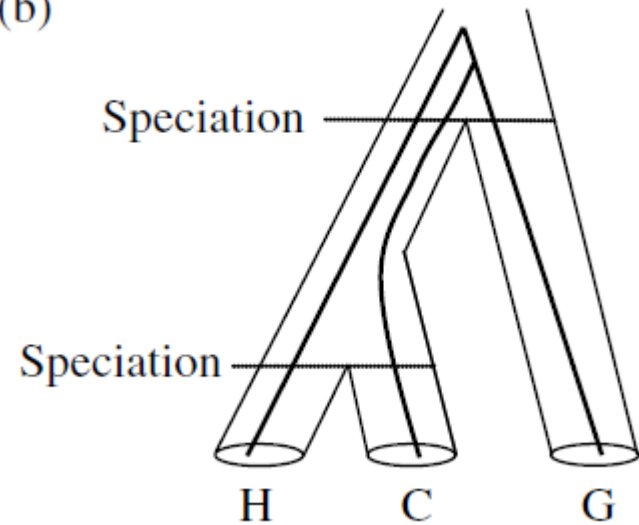
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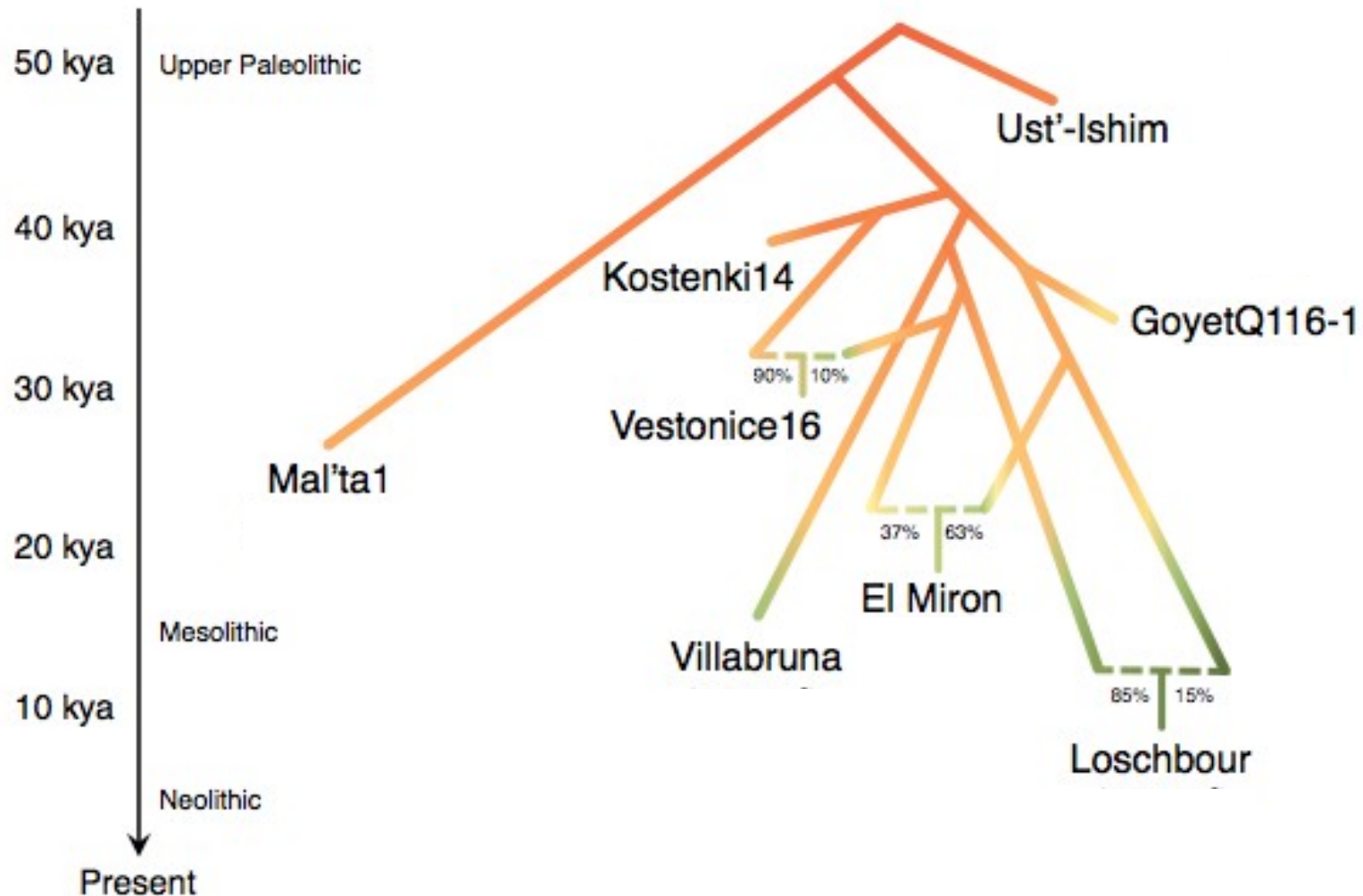
Remember: each locus observed in all current sequences comes from a single ancestor

More than just substitutions

Somatic mutation – non-heritable
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Germ-line mutation – heritable
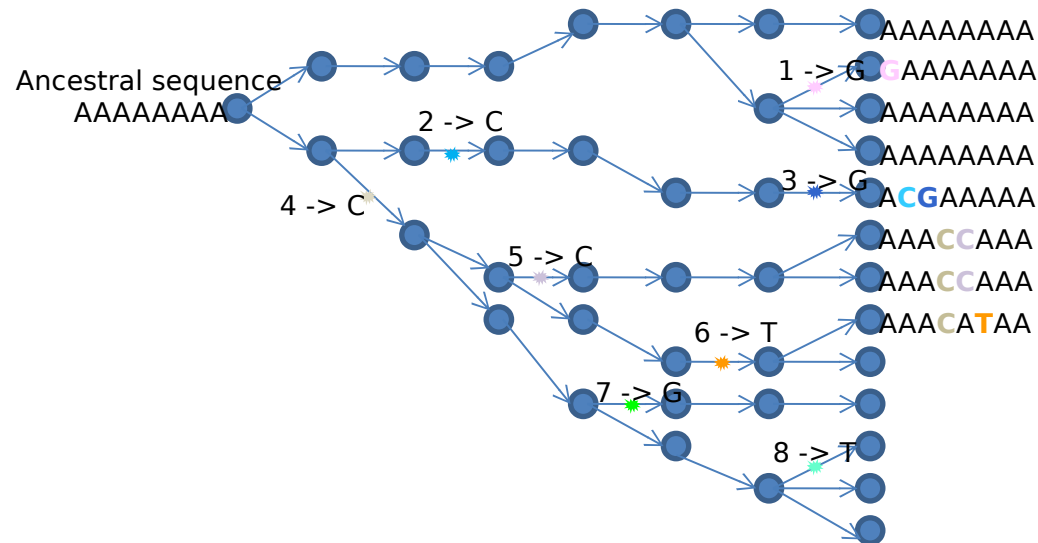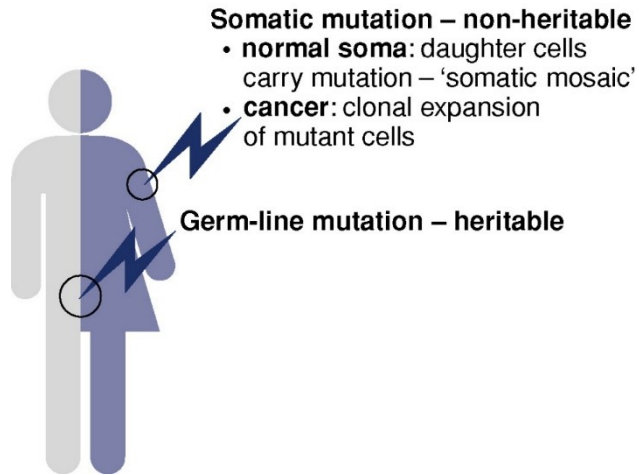
ACGTACTGACTG

Substitution

ACGGACTGACTG

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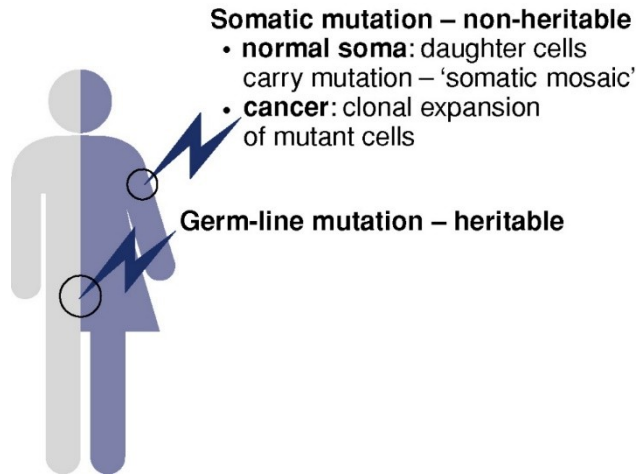
ACGTACTGACTG

Insertion

ACGT**G**ACTGACTG

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Deletion

ACG_ACTGACTG

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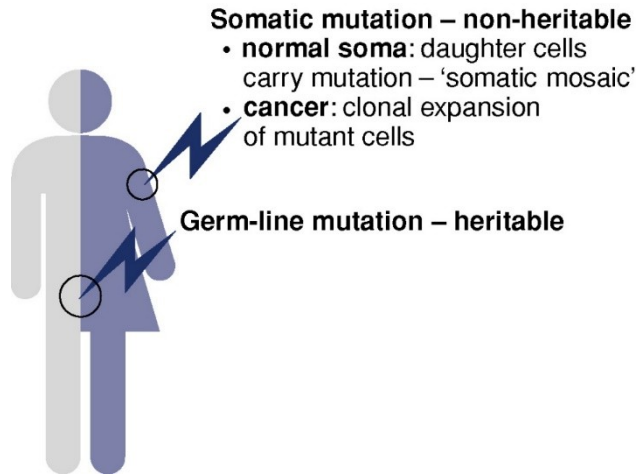
More than just substitutions: gene duplications and deletions
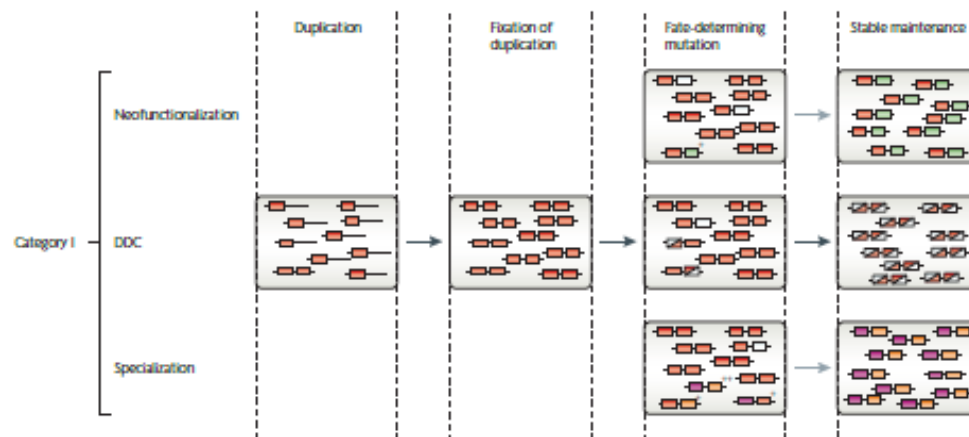
Genetic divergence is a measure of **TIME** divergence
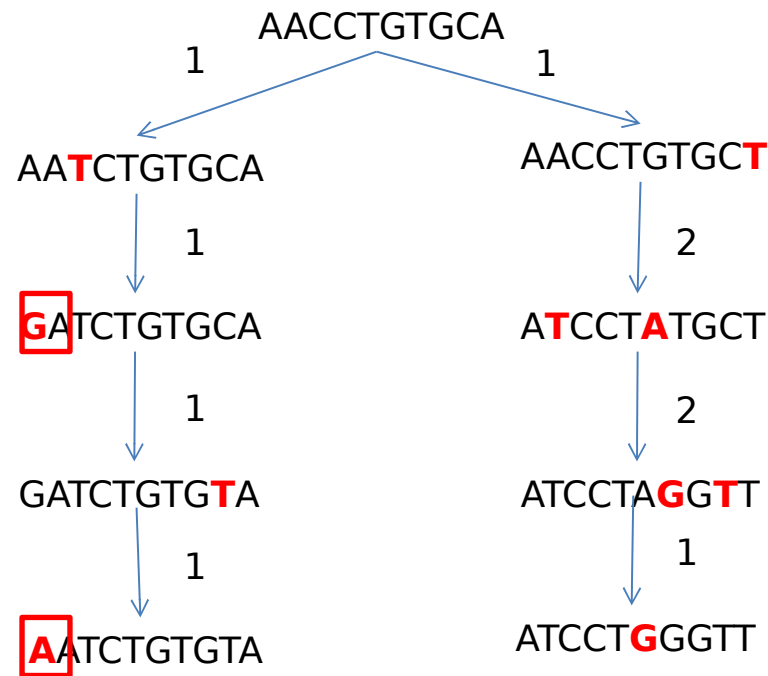
How to model the relationship between mutation and time

- Assume t, an amount of time
- Assume μ, a mutation rate
- Which is the probability that *n* mutations occur in a branch of *t* length with μ mutation rate?

Why is this formula right?   Why is this formula wrong?

Recurrent mutations blur everything!

Original sequence

Split of populations

After k generations

Final sequence
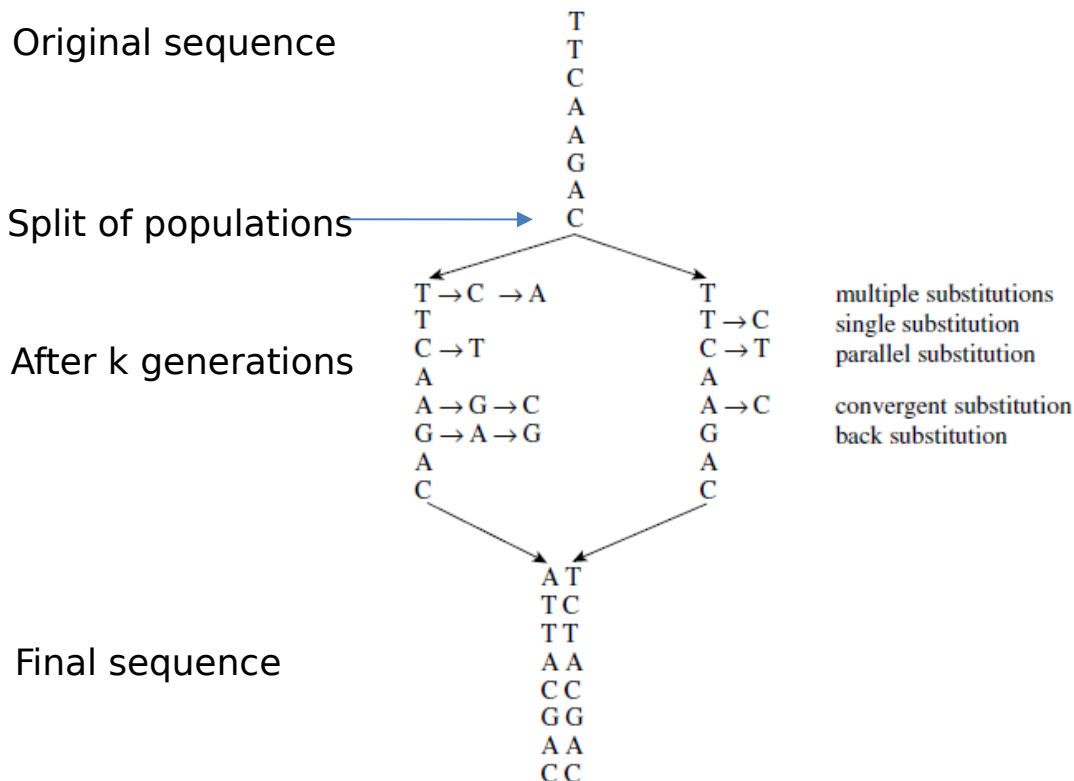
From Phylogenetic Handbook: *"The proportion of different homologous sites is called observed distance, sometimes also called p-distance, and it is expressed as the number of nucleotide differences per site. The p-distance is a very intuitive measure. Unfortunately, it suffers from a severe shortcoming: if the degree of divergence is high, p-distances are generally not very informative with regard to the number of substitutions that actually occurred"*

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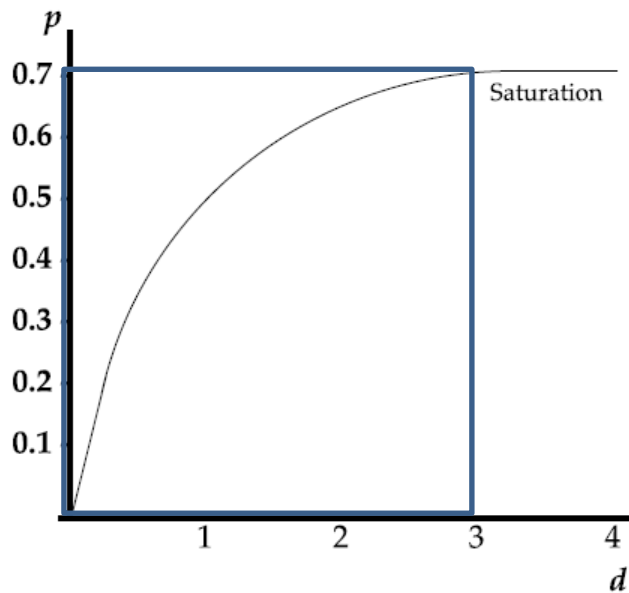
Once we reach this point, the genetic distance is no more a proxy for the time of separation

How to model this process?

For each nucleotide at generation t

Substitution matrix

$$Q=$$
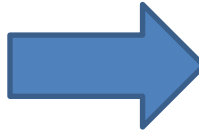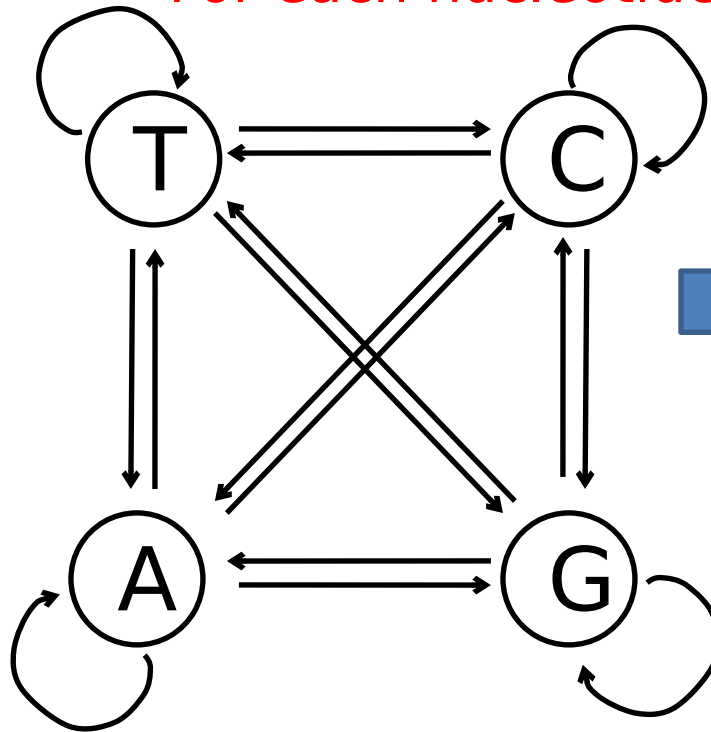
	A	C	T	G
A				
C				
T				
G				

Comes from

Rate at which one nucleotide change to another

Transition matrix

$$P=$$

	A	C	T	G
A				
C				
T				
G				

Comes from

Probability to change of one nucleotide from one generation to anot

How to model this process?

For each nucleotide at generation t

Substitution matrix

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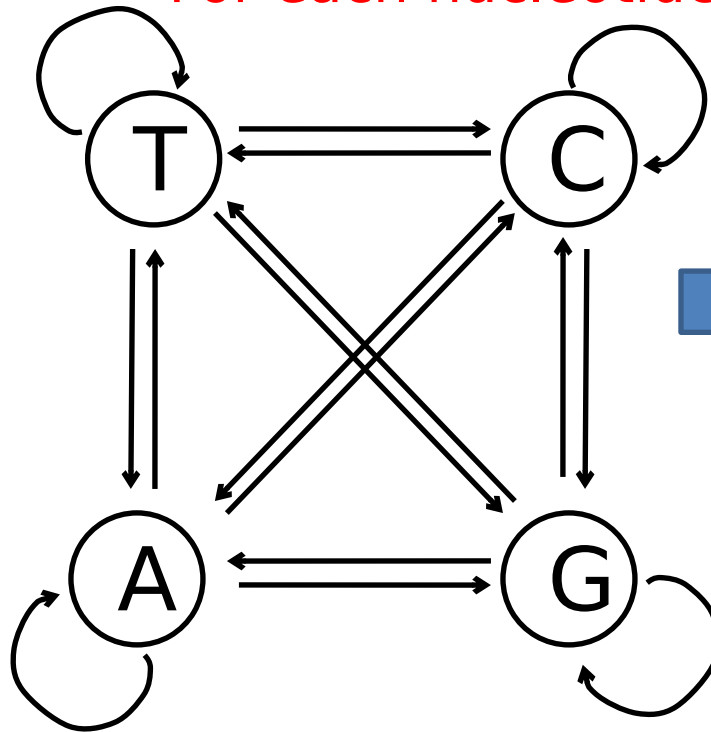
Instantaneous rate of substitution from nucleotide G to nucleotide C

How to model this process?

For each nucleotide at generation t

Transition matrix

$P =$

	A	**C**	**T**	**G**
A				
C				
T				
G				

Comes from

Probability that if I am at time t in G, I will move to C at t+1

$$P(t) = e^{Qt} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} Q^n \frac{t^n}{n!}$$

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For each nucleotide at generation t

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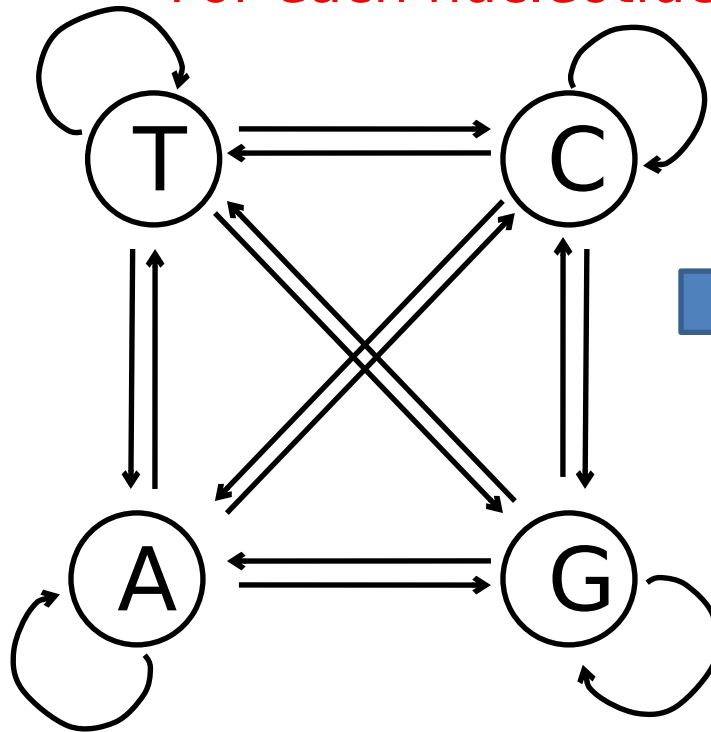
$$Q = \begin{pmatrix} -\mu(a\pi_C + b\pi_G + c\pi_T) & a\mu\pi_C & b\mu\pi_G & c\mu\pi_T \\ g\mu\pi_A & -\mu(g\pi_A + d\pi_G + e\pi_T) & d\mu\pi_G & e\mu\pi_T \\ h\mu\pi_A & i\mu\pi_C & -\mu(h\pi_A + j\pi_C + f\pi_T) & f\mu\pi_T \\ j\mu\pi_A & k\mu\pi_C & l\mu\pi_G & -\mu(i\pi_A + k\pi_C + l\pi_G) \end{pmatrix}$$

Instantaneous rate matrix **Q**. Each entry in the matrix represents the instantaneous sub-stitution rate form nucleotide i to nucleotide j (rows, and columns, follow the order **A**, **C**, **G**, **T**). m is the mean instantaneous substitution rate; a, b, c, d, e, f, g, h, i, j, k, l, are relative rate parameters describing the relative rate of each nucleotide substitution to any other. π_A, π_C, π_T, π_G, are frequency parameters corresponding to the nucleotide frequencies (Yang, 1994). Diagonal elements are chosen so that the sum of each row is equal to zero.

$$\Lambda = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda_1 & \cdots & 0 \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & \cdots & \lambda_4 \end{pmatrix},$$

$$P(t) = e^{Qt} = e^{U^{-1}(\Lambda t)U} = U^{-1}e^{\Lambda t}U$$

How to model the change over time?

Table 1.1 Substitution-rate matrices for commonly used Markov models of nucleotide substitution

	From	To			
		T	C	A	G
JC69 (Jukes and Cantor 1969)	T	.	λ	λ	λ
	C	λ	.	λ	λ
	A	λ	λ	.	λ
	G	λ	λ	λ	.
K80 (Kimura 1980)	T	.	α	β	β
	C	α	.	β	β
	A	β	β	.	α
	G	β	β	α	.
F81 (Felsenstein 1981)	T	.	π_C	π_A	π_G
	C	π_T	.	π_A	π_G
	A	π_T	π_C	.	π_G
	G	π_T	π_C	π_A	.
HKY85 (Hasegawa et al. 1984, 1985)	T	.	$\alpha\pi_C$	$\beta\pi_A$	$\beta\pi_G$
	C	$\alpha\pi_T$	.	$\beta\pi_A$	$\beta\pi_G$
	A	$\beta\pi_T$	$\beta\pi_C$	.	$\alpha\pi_G$
	G	$\beta\pi_T$	$\beta\pi_C$	$\alpha\pi_A$	.
F84 (Felsenstein, DNAML program since 1984)	T	.	$(1+\kappa/\pi_Y)\beta\pi_C$	$\beta\pi_A$	$\beta\pi_G$
	C	$(1+\kappa/\pi_Y)\beta\pi_T$	.	$\beta\pi_A$	$\beta\pi_G$
	A	$\beta\pi_T$	$\beta\pi_C$	.	$(1+\kappa/\pi_R)\beta\pi_G$
	G	$\beta\pi_T$	$\beta\pi_C$	$(1+\kappa/\pi_R)\beta\pi_A$	.
TN93 (Tamura and Nei 1993)	T	.	$\alpha_1\pi_C$	$\beta\pi_A$	$\beta\pi_G$
	C	$\alpha_1\pi_T$	.	$\beta\pi_A$	$\beta\pi_G$
	A	$\beta\pi_T$	$\beta\pi_C$	.	$\alpha_2\pi_G$
	G	$\beta\pi_T$	$\beta\pi_C$	$\alpha_2\pi_A$	.
GTR (REV) (Tavaré 1986; Yang 1994b; Zharkikh 1994)	T	.	$a\pi_C$	$b\pi_A$	$c\pi_G$
	C	$a\pi_T$	.	$d\pi_A$	$e\pi_G$
	A	$b\pi_T$	$d\pi_C$	.	$f\pi_G$
	G	$c\pi_T$	$e\pi_C$	$f\pi_A$	.
UNREST (Yang 1994b)	T	.	q_{TC}	q_{TA}	q_{TG}
	C	q_{CT}	.	q_{CA}	q_{CG}
	A	q_{AT}	q_{AC}	.	q_{AG}
	G	q_{GT}	q_{GC}	q_{GA}	.

The diagonals of the matrix are determined by the requirement that each row sums to 0. The equilibrium distribution is $\pi = (1/4, 1/4, 1/4, 1/4)$ under JC69 and K80, and $\pi = (\pi_T, \pi_C, \pi_A, \pi_G)$ under F81, F84, HKY85, TN93, and GTR. Under the general unrestricted (UNREST) model, it is given by the equations $\pi Q = 0$ under the constraint $\sum_i \pi_i = 1$.

JC69

K80

HKY85
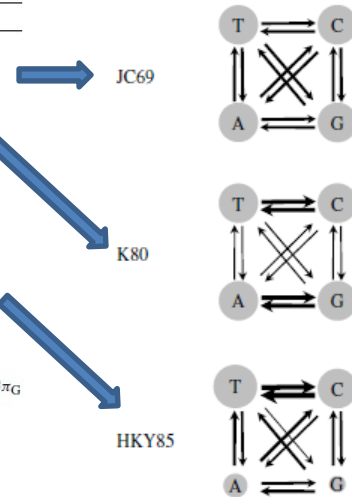
Remember: divergence is a measure of **TIME** of divergence

The trajectory of a
particular nucleotide
follows a
Markov Chain
A -> G -> G -> A

AACCTGTGCA

AA**T**CTGTGCA

GATCTGTGCA

GATCTGTG**T**A

AATCTGTGTA

AACCTGTGC**T**

A**T**CCT**A**TGCT

ATCCTA**GG T**T

ATCCT**G**GGTT

Markov Chains

t0   t1   t2   t3   t4   t5   t6
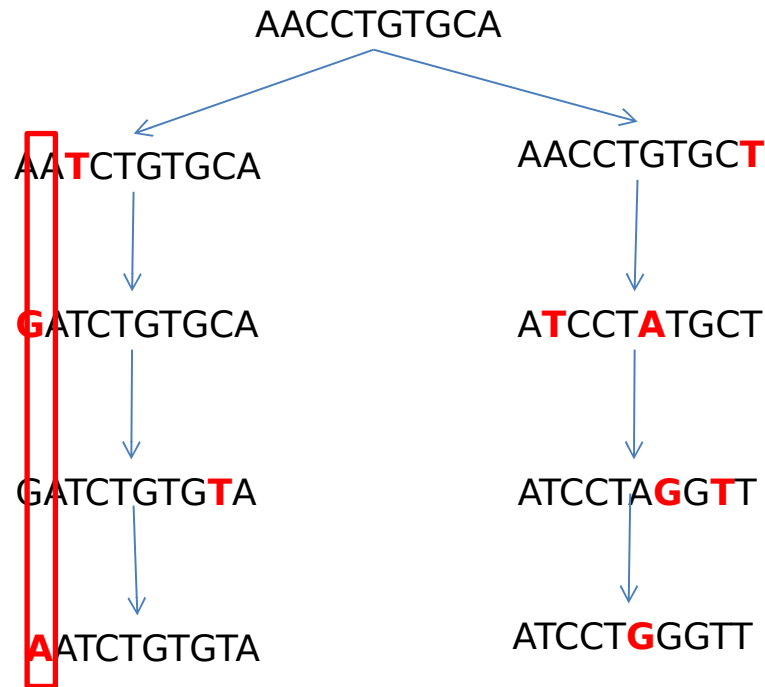
Markov chain   A → A → C → A → G → G → T
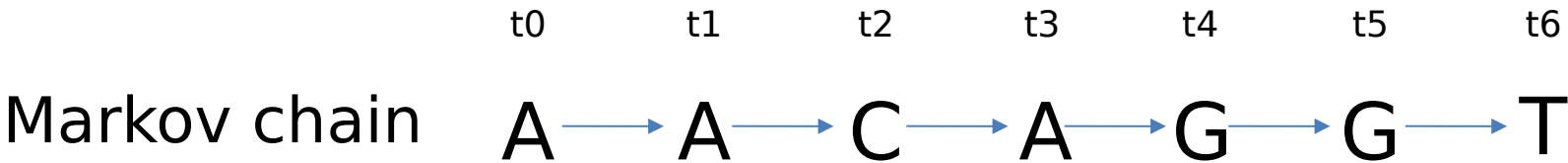
Four possible states

P(t+1=C|t=A)

A   C

G   T
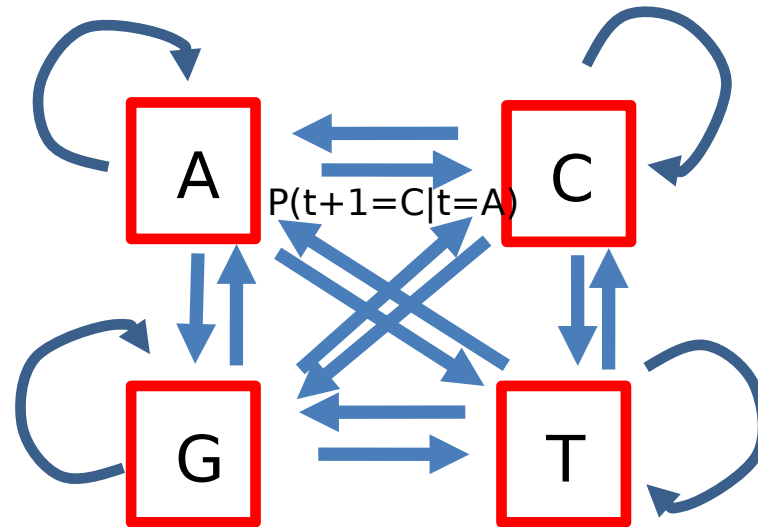
Probability transition matrix

Markov Chains

t0   t1   t2   t3   t4   t5   t6

Markov chain
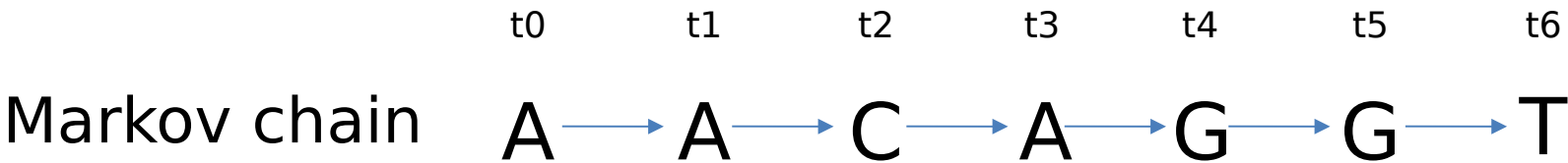
A $\rightarrow$ A $\rightarrow$ C $\rightarrow$ A $\rightarrow$ G $\rightarrow$ G $\rightarrow$ T

$P(AACAGGT) = P(AACAGG)P(T \vee AACAGG)$

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From P(X;Y) = P(Y)P(X|Y)

$$\boldsymbol{P(AACAGGT) = P(A)P\, \text{¿}}$$

However, in a MC, the probability at a position depends ONLY on the previous state

Markov Chains

t0　　　t1　　　t2　　　t3　　　t4　　　t5　　　t6

Markov chain　　$A \rightarrow A \rightarrow C \rightarrow A \rightarrow G \rightarrow G \rightarrow T$
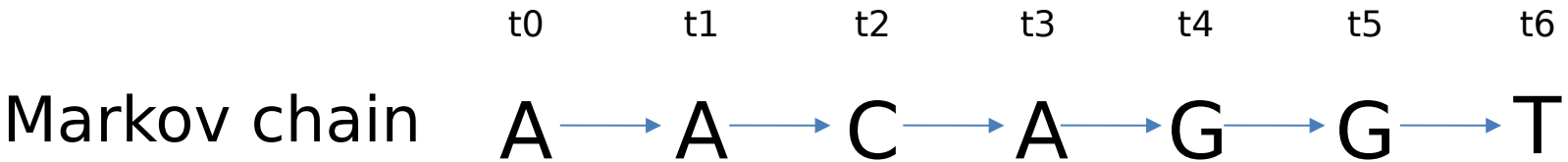
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Prior probability
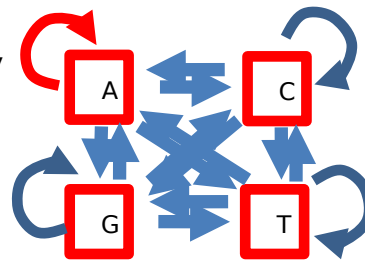
Markov chains
time-homogeneous time continuous stationary

Underlying assumptions:

(1) At any given site in a sequence, the rate of change from base *i* to base *j* is independent
from the base that occupied that site prior *i* (*Markov property*).
(2) Substitution rates do not change over time (**homogeneity**).
(3) The relative frequencies of A, C, G, and T (π_A, π_C, π_G, π_T) are at equilibrium (**stationarity**).

How to compute the probability of changing from nucleotide i to j after t$_1$+t$_2$ times?

The Chapman-Kolmogorov theorem

$$t_1 + t_2$$

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The Chapman-Kolmogorov theorem

$$p_{ij}(t_1+t_2)=\sum_k p_{ik}(t_1)p_{kj}(t_2)$$
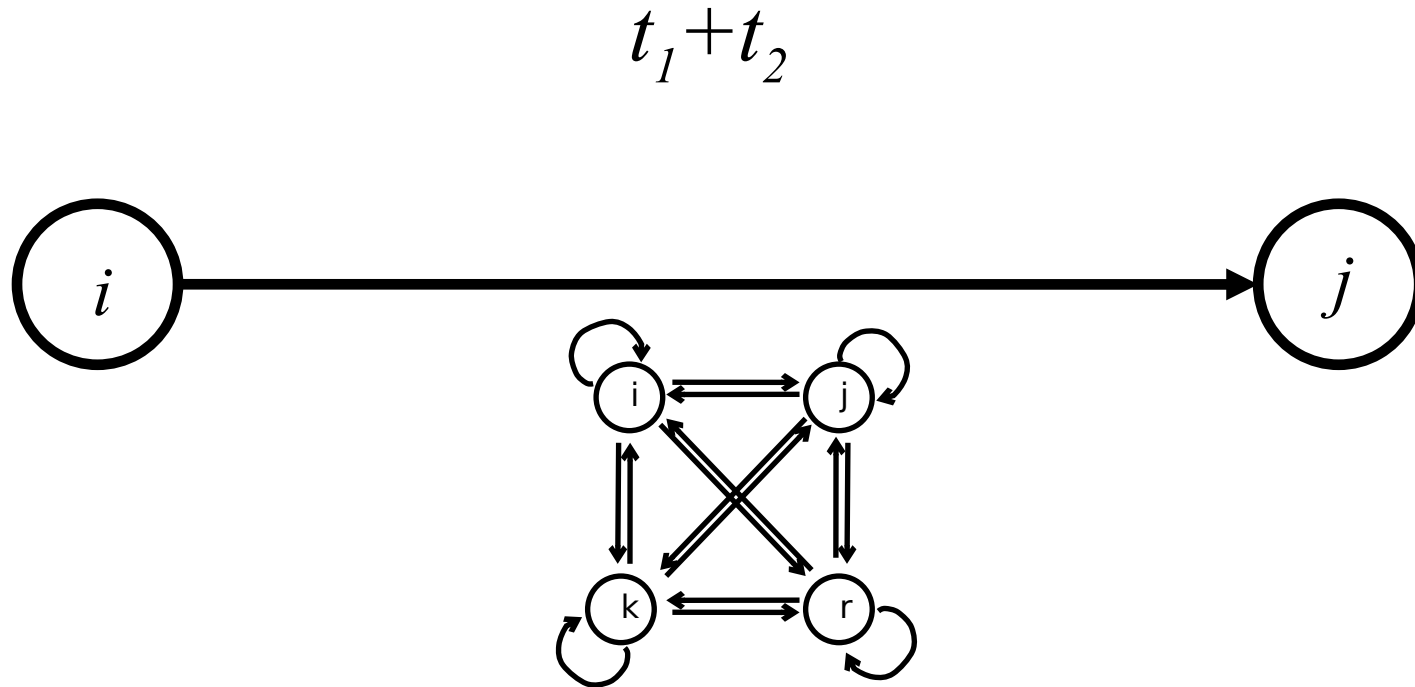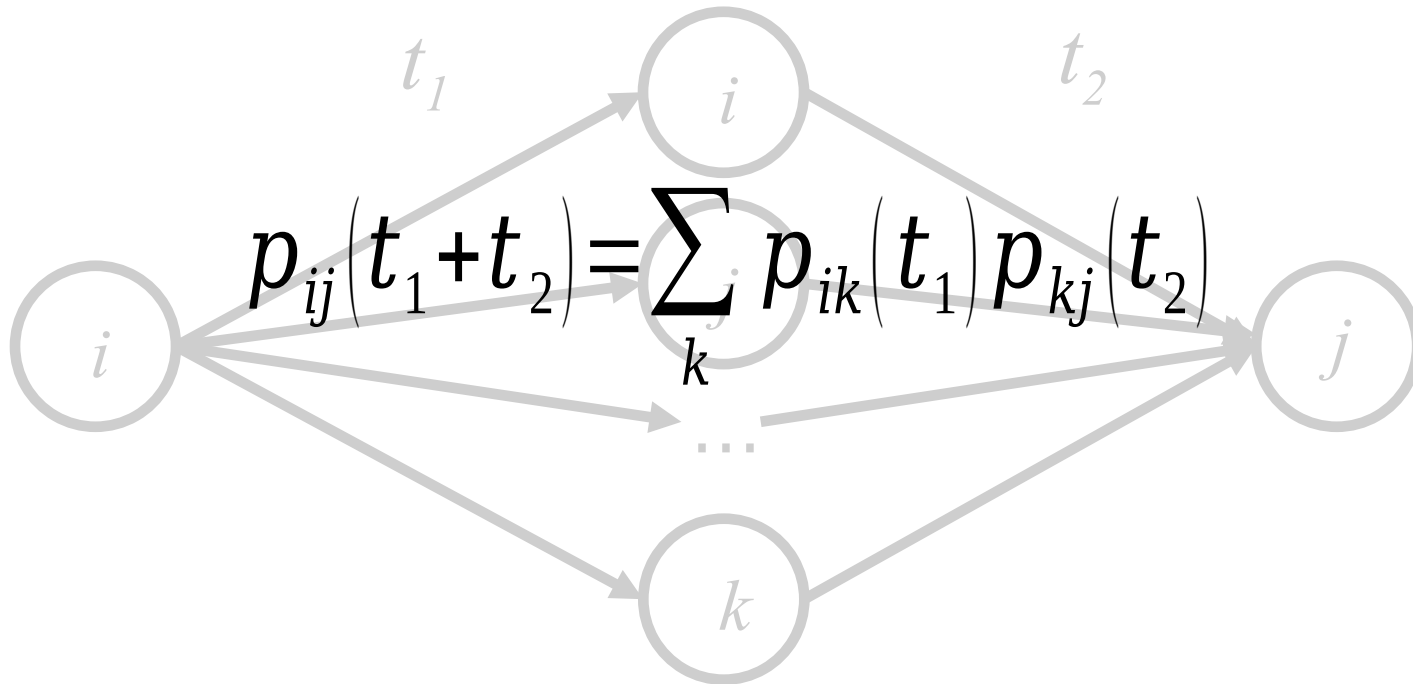
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Imagine a single nucleotide and different s times

Which is the probability I stay A for s3 generations?

s_1 s_2 s_3

T → C → A →

Which is the probability I stay T for s1 generations?

Which is the probability I stay C for s2 generations?

Can you propose another algorithm forward in time for simulating the evolution of a sequence over t generations?

Imagine a single nucleotide and different s times

T ──── s_1 ───▶ C ── s_2 ─▶ A ──────── s_3 ────────▶
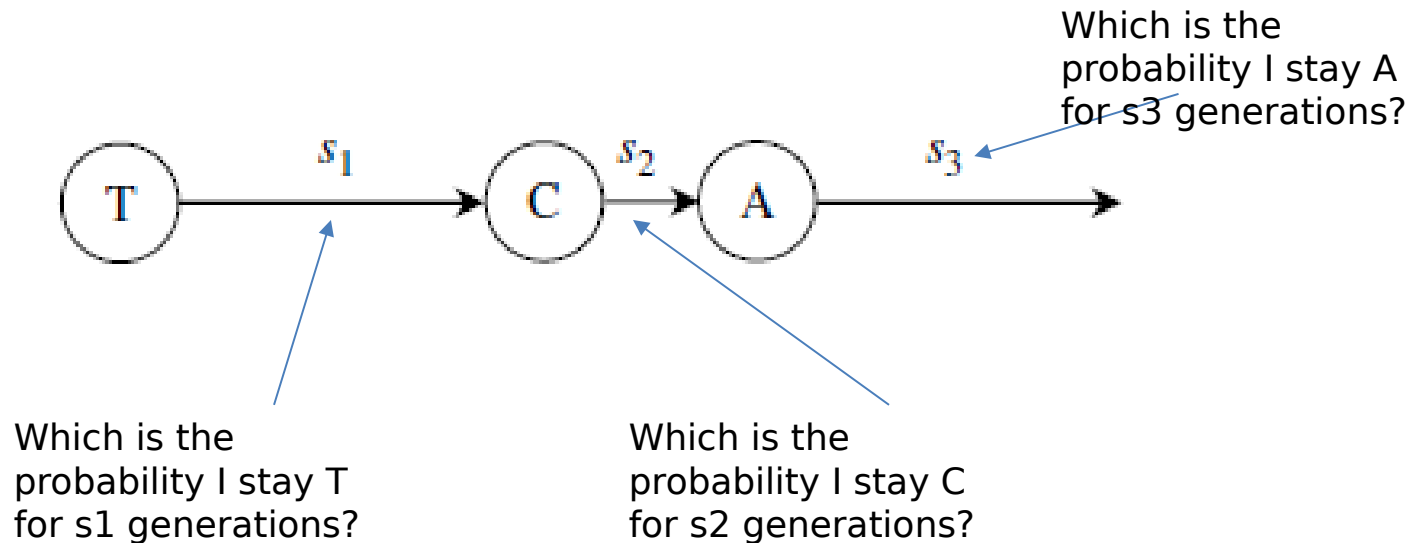
When I am going to change in probability?

The **exponential distribution**

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- ## Transformation method
  - ### A function of a random variable is itself a random variable

  $u \quad U(0,1)$ Random variable uniformly distributed in the range [0,1]

  $CDF_\theta(x)$ Cumulative density function of variable X

  How to get a random sample of x?

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Probability density function f(x) from which I want to get random samples
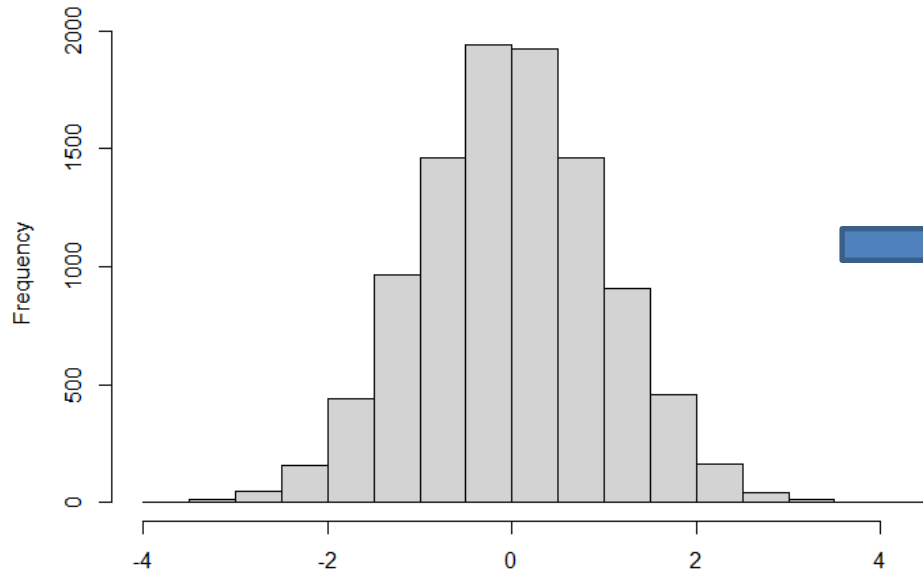
Cumulative density function from which I want to get random samples
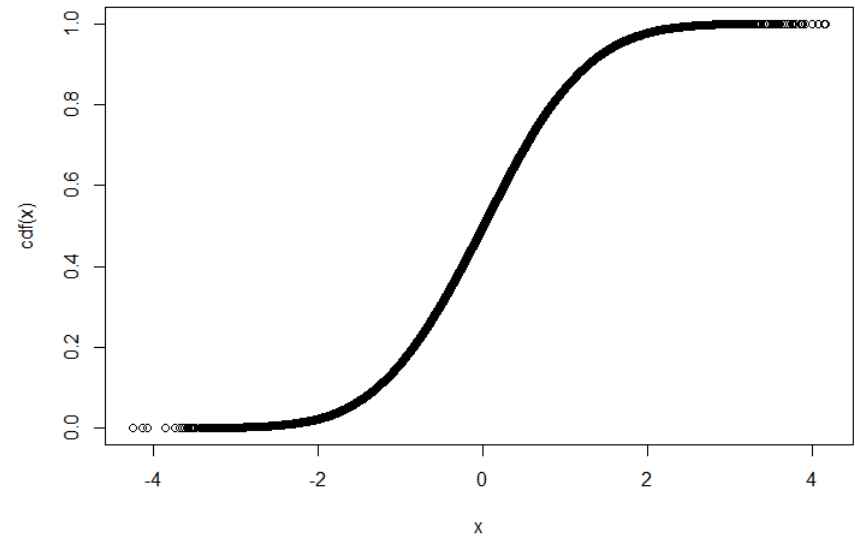
$$N(\mu=0, \sigma=1) \longleftarrow \quad \theta \in [\mu, \sigma] \text{ Parameters that define a normal distribution}$$

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Cumulative density function from which I want to get random samples

Inverse distribution of the cumulative density function using parameters θ from which we want to get random samples

CDF

$$u \sim U(0,1)$$

$$x = CDF_{\theta}^{-1}(u)$$

$$u \sim U(0,1)$$

$$x \sim F_{\theta}$$
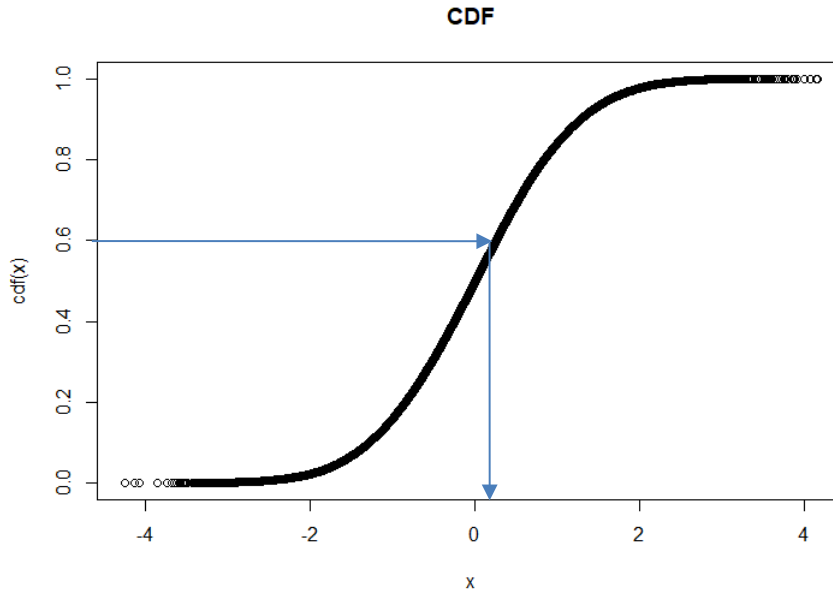
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Transformation method

Inverse Cumulative density function from which I want to get random samples
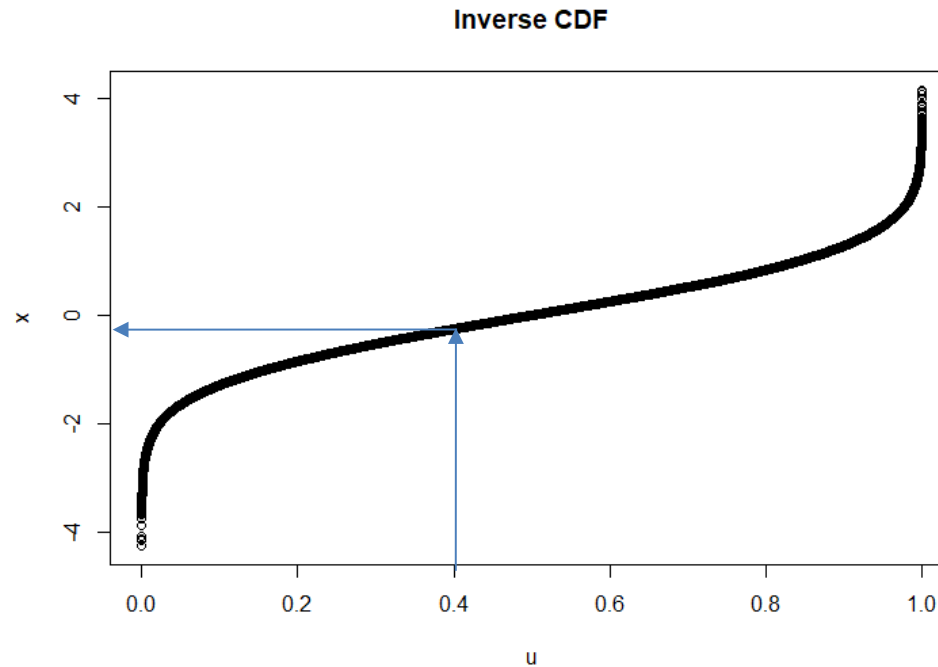
Inverse CDF

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Bernoulli distribution with parameter p

$$u \quad U(0,1)$$

$$x = \begin{cases} 0 \; if \; u < p \\ 1 \; if \; u \geq p \end{cases}$$

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Example: The Exponential distribution

$$f(x) = \theta^{-1} e^{\frac{-x}{\theta}}$$

$$CDF_\theta(x) = 1 - e^{\frac{-x}{\theta}}$$

$$u = 1 - e^{\frac{-x}{\theta}}$$

$$\chi = ?$$

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Inverse Cumulative density function from
which I want to get random samples
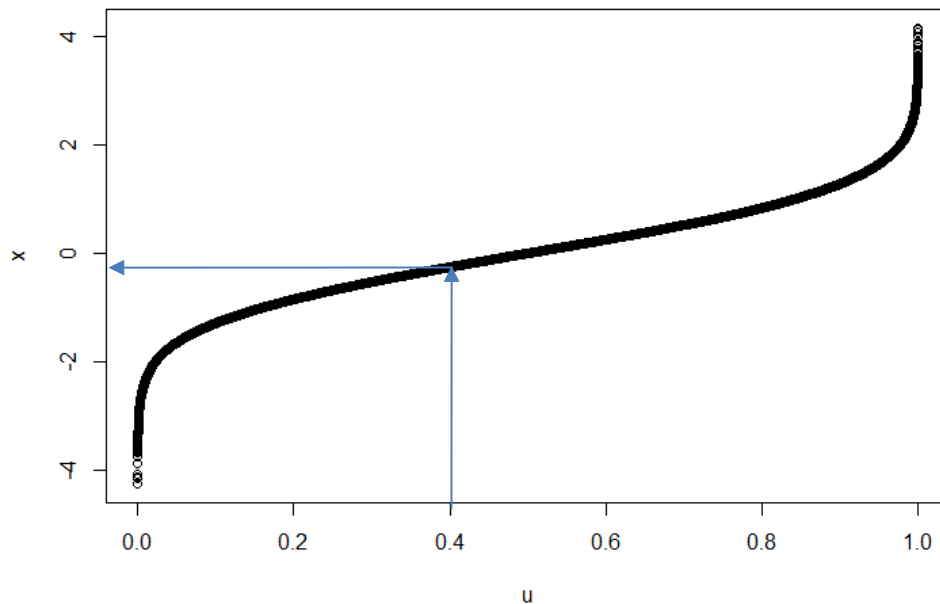
Inverse CDF

For this particular case where the function is Norr

$$N(\theta)$$
$$\theta \in [\mu, \sigma]$$
$$\Phi^{-1}(u) = \sqrt{2}\, erf^{-1}(2u - 1)$$

$$CDF_\theta^{-1}(u) = \mu + \sigma\, \Phi^{-1}(u)$$

Not very easy to compute

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Approximations (for Normal distribution)

Inverse CDF
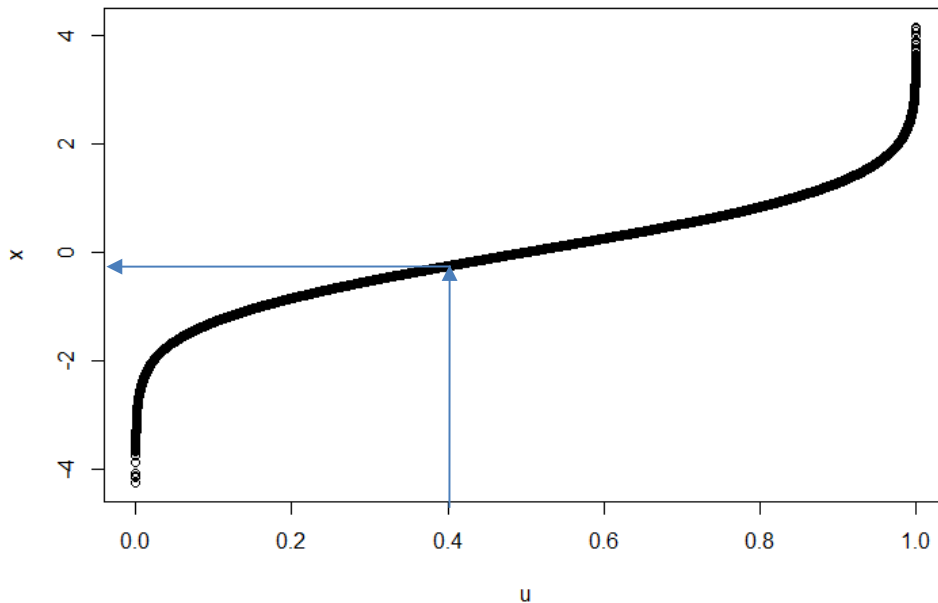
Box and Muller (1958)

$$u_1 \quad U(0,1)$$
$$u_2 \quad U(0,1)$$

$$x_1 = \sqrt{-2\log(u_1)}\sin(2\pi u_2),$$

$$x_2 = \sqrt{-2\log(u_1)}\cos(2\pi u_2)$$

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Simulating random variables from an arbitrary discrete distribution with a finite number of cells (categories)

$$p_{A,C,T,G} = \{0.35, 0.15, 0.4, 0.1\}$$

1st Approach
- Generate the CDF
  - Sort from the smallest to the largest value

  - Estimate CDF

- Generate
- Pick category x such that

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Approach
Problem: For each trial, it requires looking until we suffix the conditio

$$CDF = \text{¿}$$

Unlikely events, but I have to check them

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pproach: The alias method (Walker 1974; Kronmal and Peterson 197

"Any discrete distribution with n cells can be expressed as an equiprobable mixture of n two-point distributions"

$$p_i = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{m=1}^{n} q_i^{(m)}$$

Probability of cell i

Point distribution

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i	A	C	T	G	Sum
	0.1	0.3	0.2	0.4	1
	0.4	1.2	0.8	1.6	4

Each row must add to 1

Maximum value of the column   To which row the other cell refers to ("alias")

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pproach: The alias method (Walker 1974; Kronmal and Peterson 197

i	A	C	T	G	Sum
	0.1	0.3	0.2	0.4	1
	0.4	1.2	0.8	1.6	4
					1
					1
					1
					1

From each row, only two cells can be occupied.
One of the cells must be a column with the same id as row

Maximum value of the column

To which row the other cell refers to

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pproach: The alias method (Walker 1974; Kronmal and Peterson 197

Box 9.2

Algorithm: generate the cutoff and alias vectors F and L for the alias method (Kronmal and Peterson 1979)

(Summary: this creates two vectors F_i and L_i $i = 1, 2, \ldots, n$)

1. (Initialize.) Set $F_i \leftarrow np_i$, $i = 1, 2, \ldots, n$.
2. (initialize the indicator table I_i, $i = 1, 2, \ldots, n$.) Let $I_i = -1$ if $F_i < 1$ or $I_i = 1$ if $F_i \geq 1$.
3. (Main loop.) Repeat the following steps until none of I_i is -1. (Pick up a cell j with $I_j = -1$ and a cell k with $I_k = 1$. Generate distribution $q^{(j)}$, finalizing F_j and L_j for cell j.)
   3a. Scan the I vector to find a j such that $I_j = -1$ and a cell k such that $I_k = 1$.
   3b. Set $L_j \leftarrow k$. Set $F_k \leftarrow F_k - (1 - F_j)$. $(1 - F_j)$ is the probability on cell k used up by distribution $q^{(j)}$.)
   3c. (Update I_j and I_k.) Set $I_j \leftarrow 0$. If $F_k < 1$, set $I_k \leftarrow -1$.

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Approach: The alias method (Walker 1974; Kronmal and Peterson 197

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3b. Set $L_j \leftarrow k$.

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	0.4	1.2	0.8	1.6	4
	0.4			1-0.4	1
	0.4	1.2	0.8	1.6-(1-0.4)	
	-4	1	-1	1	

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3c. (Update I_j and I_k.) Set $I_j \leftarrow 0$. If $F_k < 1$, set $I_k \leftarrow -1$.

i	A	C	T	G	Sum
	0.1	0.3	0.2	0.4	1
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	0.4			0.6	1
				1	1
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		1			1
		0.2	0.8		1
				1	
	0.4	1.0	0.8	1	
	4		2		
	0	0	0	0	

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				1	
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	4		2		
	0	0	0	0	

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Box 9.1

Alias algorithm (To generate a random variable i from the specified discrete distribution p_i, $i = 1, 2, \ldots, n$, using the cutoff and alias vectors F and L.)
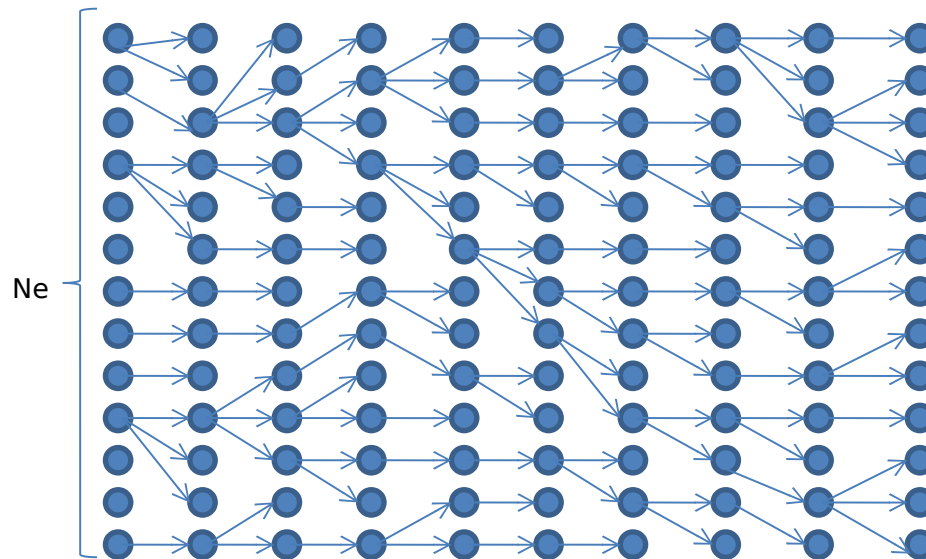
1. (Stimulate a random integer k over $1, 2, \ldots, n$, and a random number $r \sim U(0, 1)$.) Generate random number $u \sim U(0, 1)$. Set $k \leftarrow [nu] + 1$ and $r \leftarrow nu + 1 - k$
2. (Sample from $q^{(k)}$.) If $r \leq F_k$, set $i \leftarrow k$; otherwise, set $i \leftarrow L_k$.
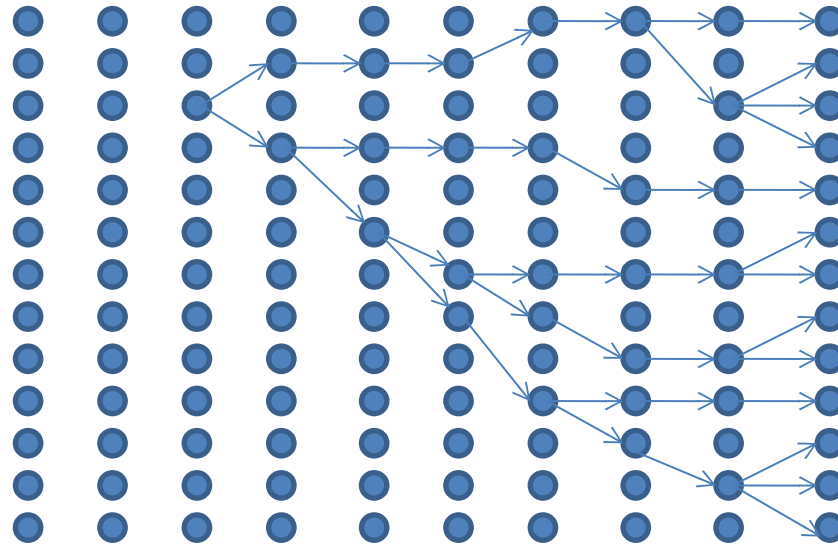
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Approach Bis: Extension of the Alias by Vose (A Linear Algorithm For Generating Random Numbers With a Given Distribution)

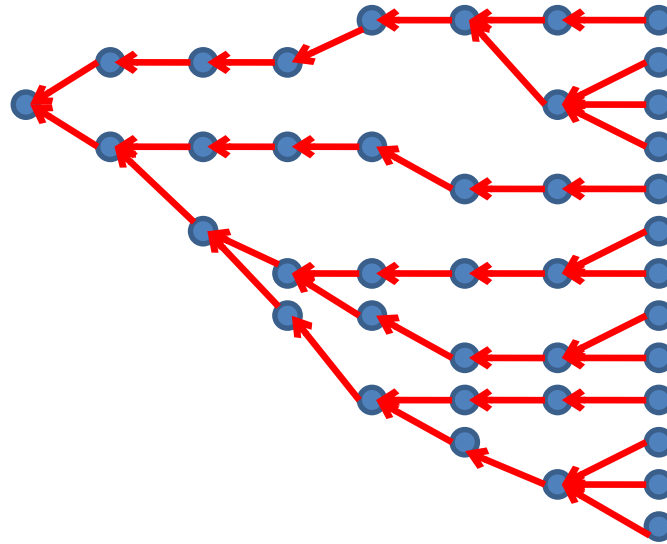| i	A	C	T	G	Sum
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				1	
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	4		2		
	0	0	0	0	

A backward approach

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Can you propose an algorithm backward in time for simulating the evolution of K sequences until complete coalescence?