

# 1 HGT scenarios: four species and five genes

## 1.1 Possible scenarios

There are only two topologies for a four-species tree:

## 1.2 Colored-orthology graphs

## 1.3 Coloring the scenarios

## 1.4 How to identify HGT and correct the orthology graph

Let  $T$  be a tree with  $L_T = \{g_1, g_2, g_3, g_4, g_5\}$  which correspond to four species  $A, B, C$  and  $D$ , and say that  $g_1$  and  $g_2$  are in the same species, implying that one of them was acquired via HGT.

How to correct the orthology graph of  $T$ :

1. Identify the HGT donor ( $h$ ) and receptor ( $h'$ ):
  - Let  $G_1$  and  $G_2$  be the sets of four genes such that  $\{g_1, g_2, h\}$  is a subset.
  - Generate the colored orthology graphs for  $S_1$  and  $S_2$  and add them to generate a five-vertex graph with two colors.
  - Identify the bidirectional edges of  $g_1$  and  $g_2$ .
  - Choose as  $h'$ , the vertex which has a bi-colored and bidirectional edge.
  - *Choose as  $h$ , the other vertex of this bi-colored and bidirectional edge.*
2. Delete  $h'$  and its edges from the five-vertex graph.
3. Complete the unidirectional edges to bidirectional edges.