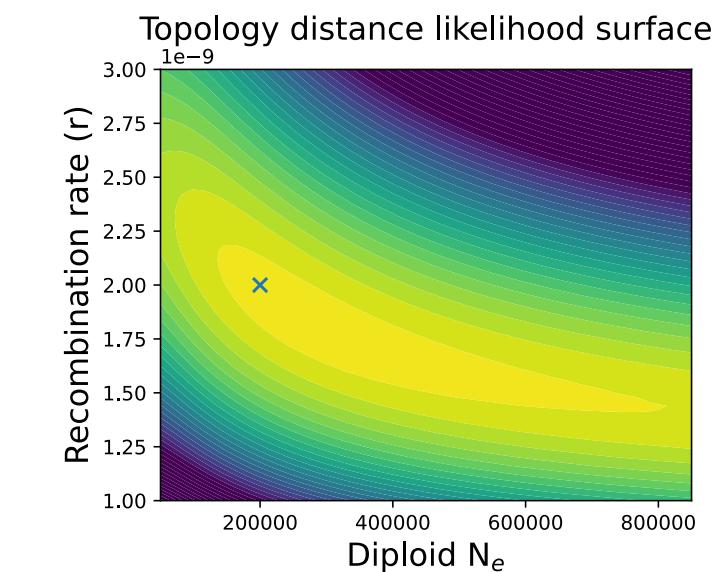
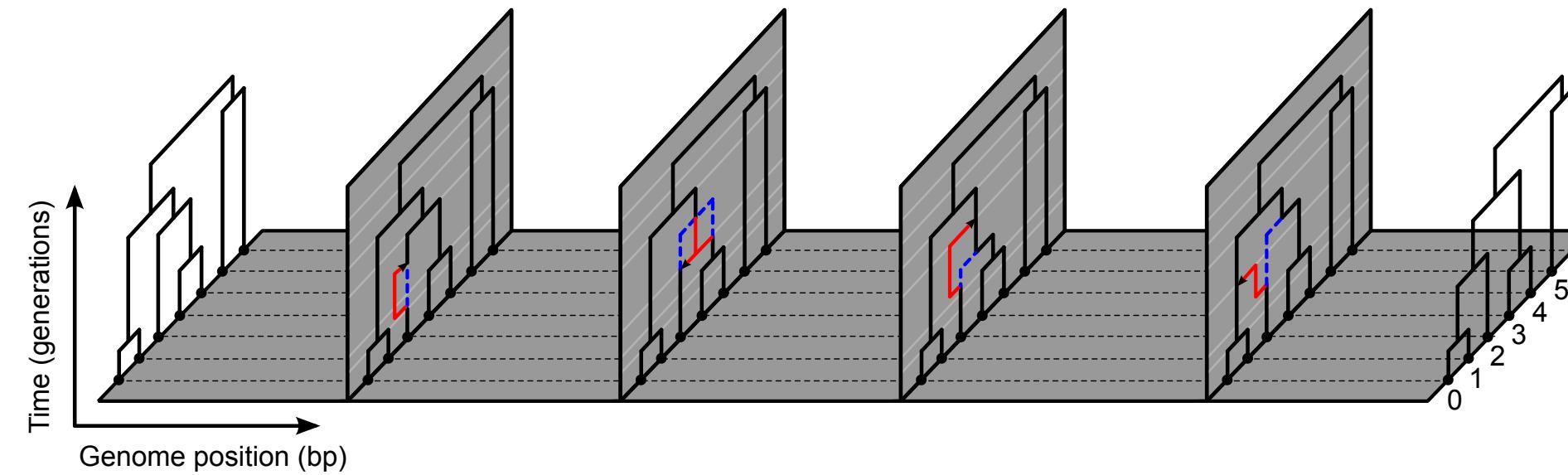


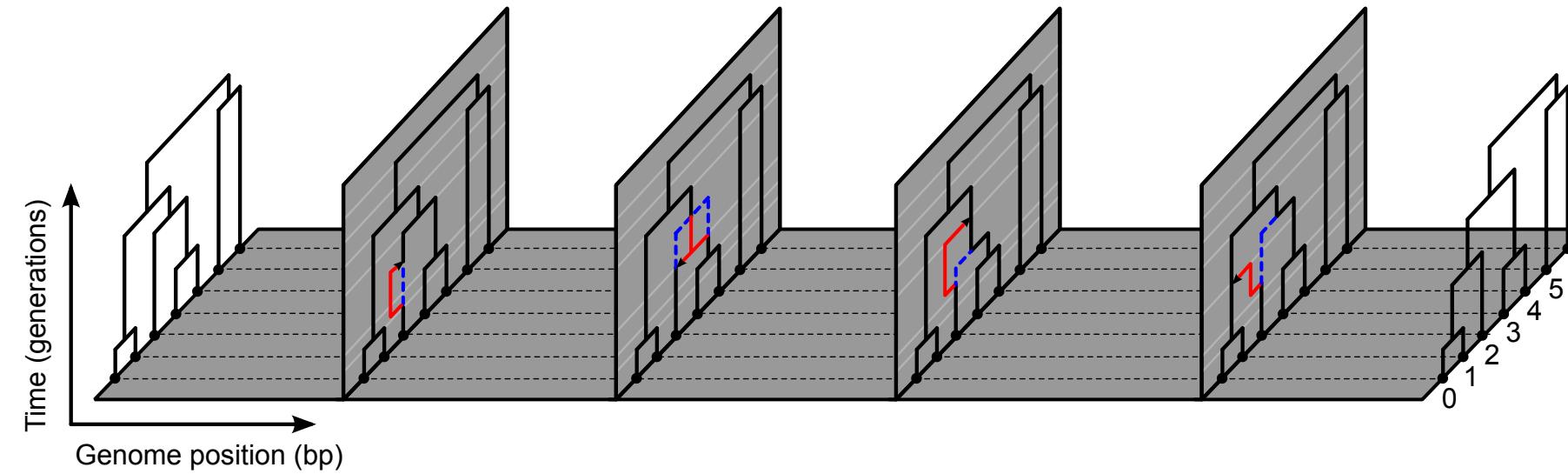
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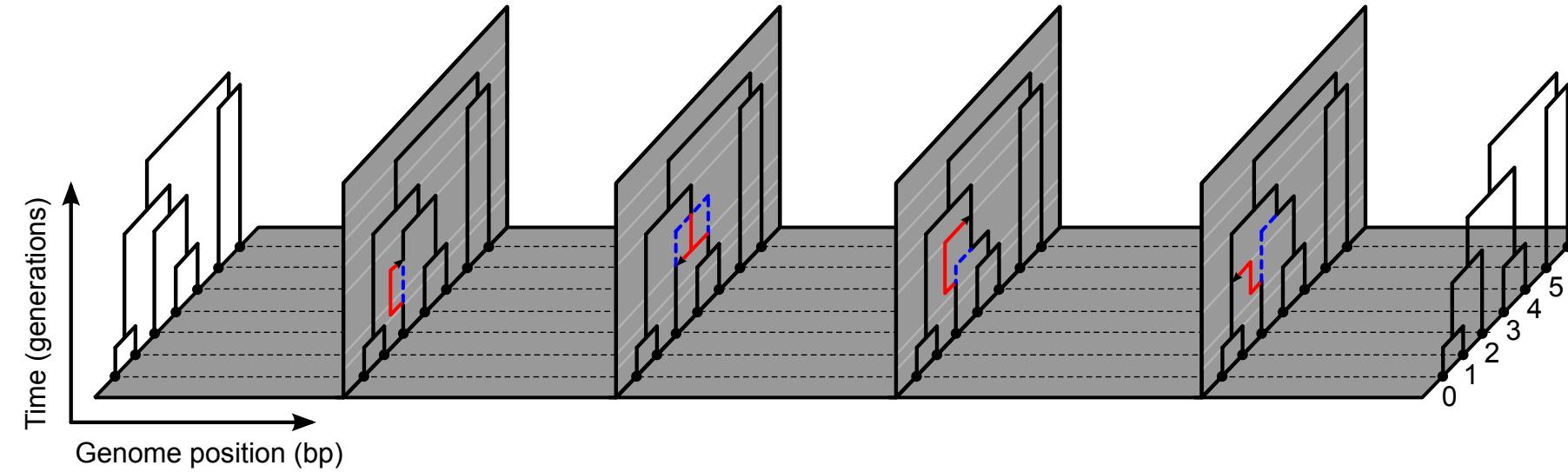
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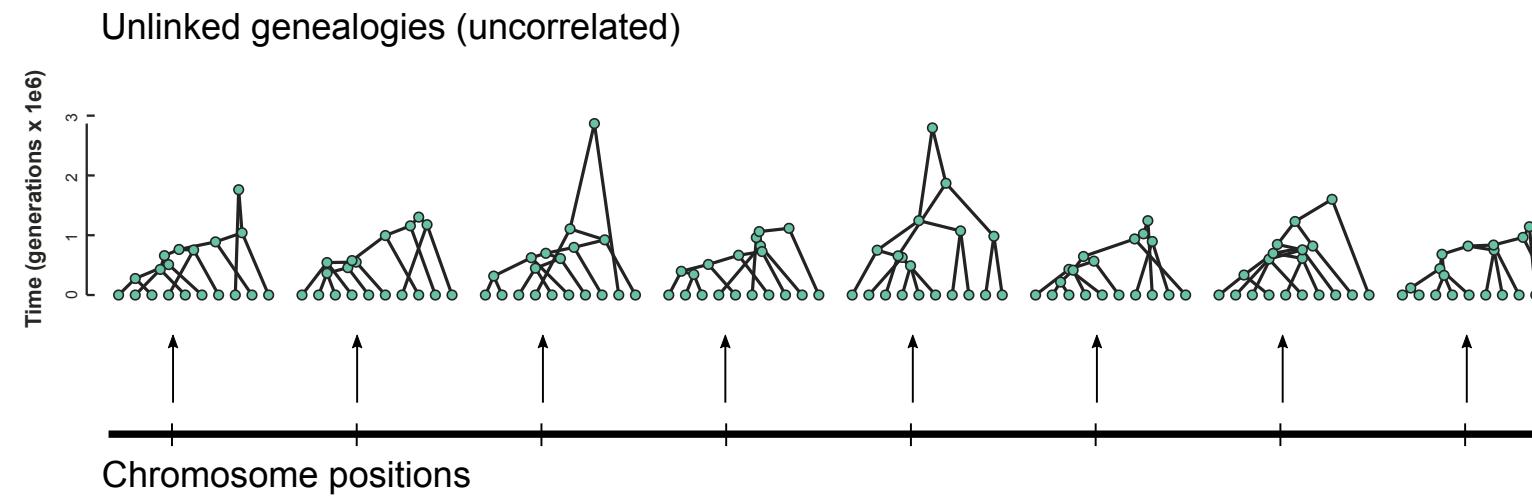
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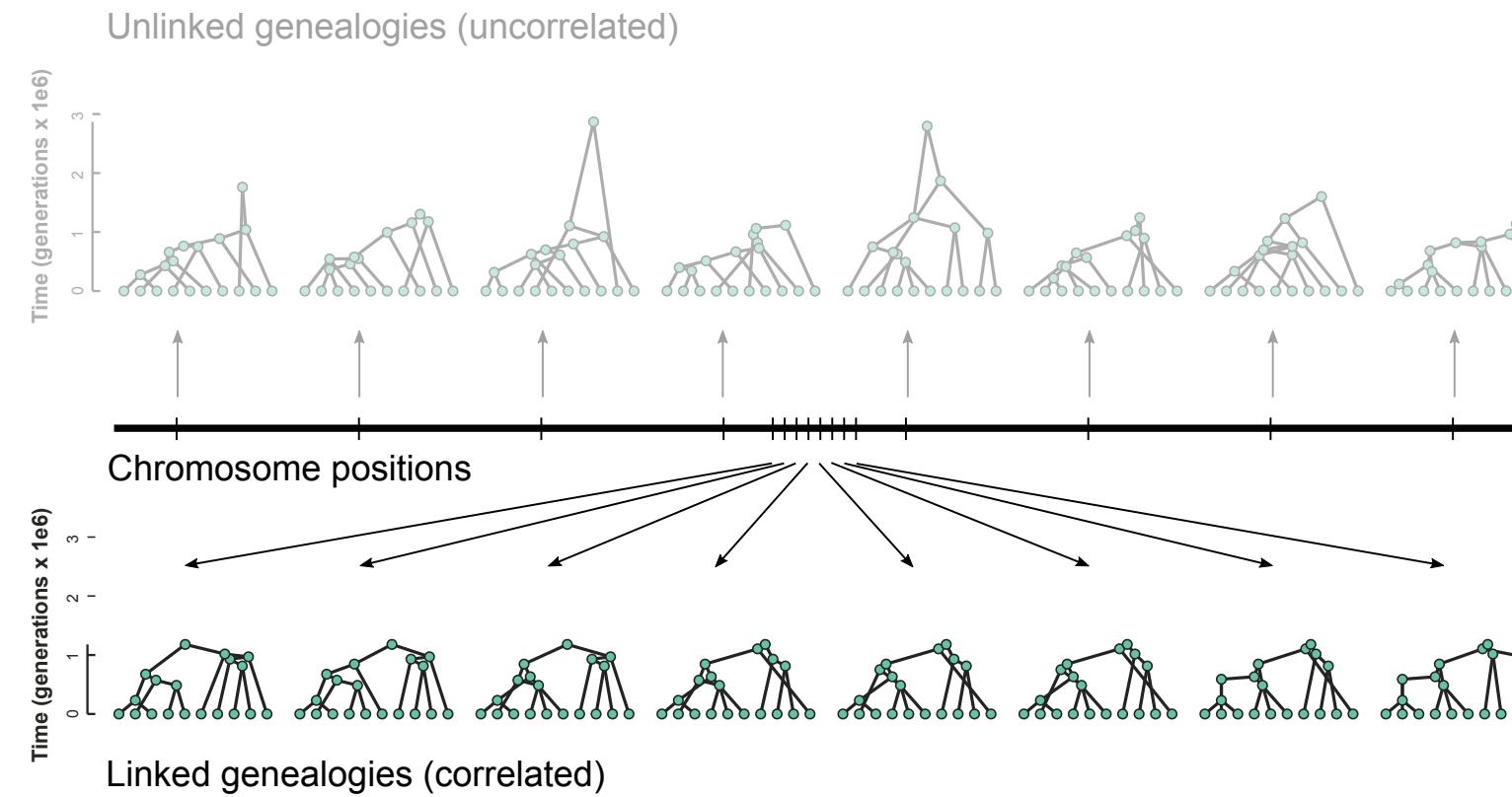
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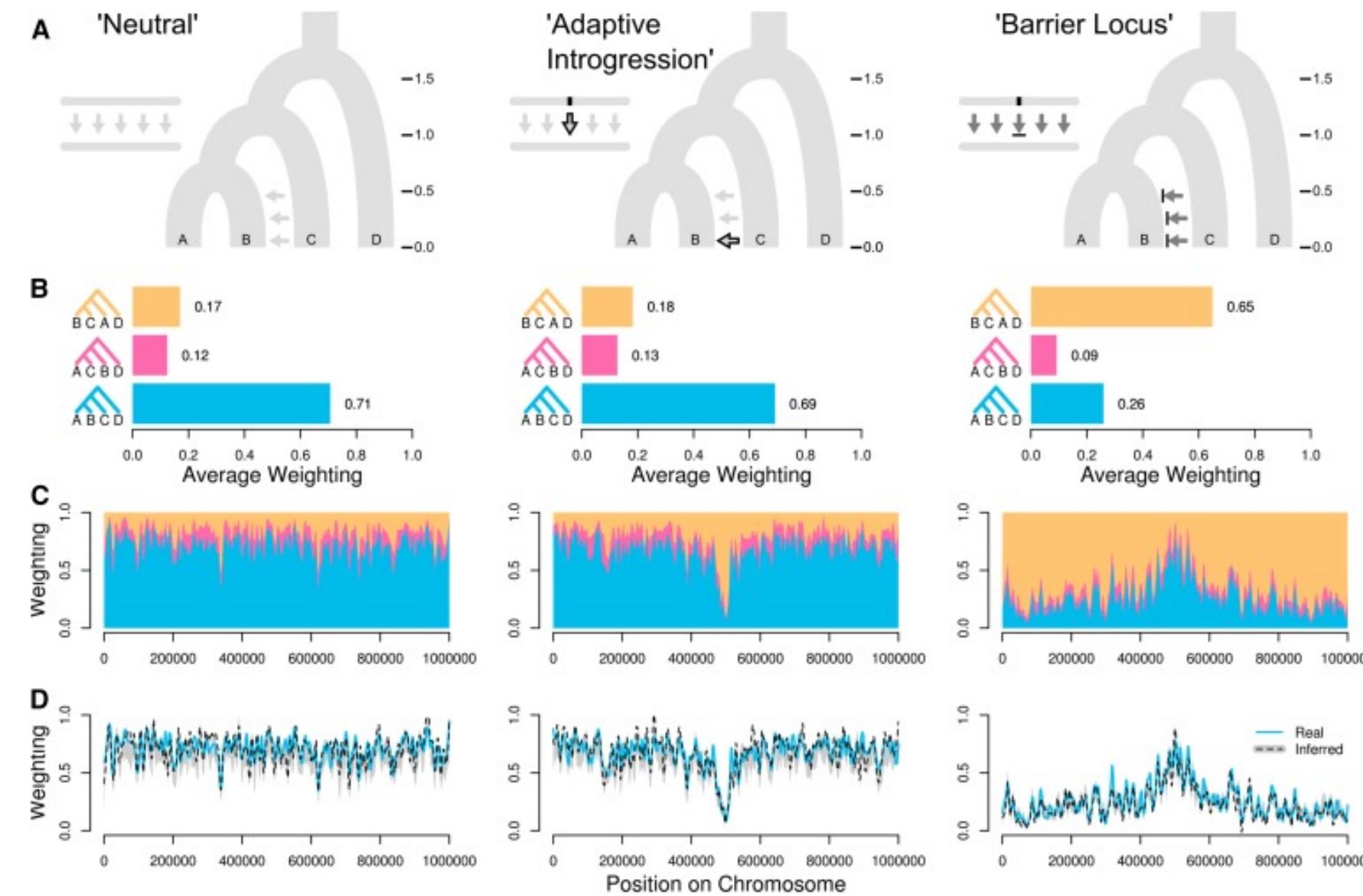
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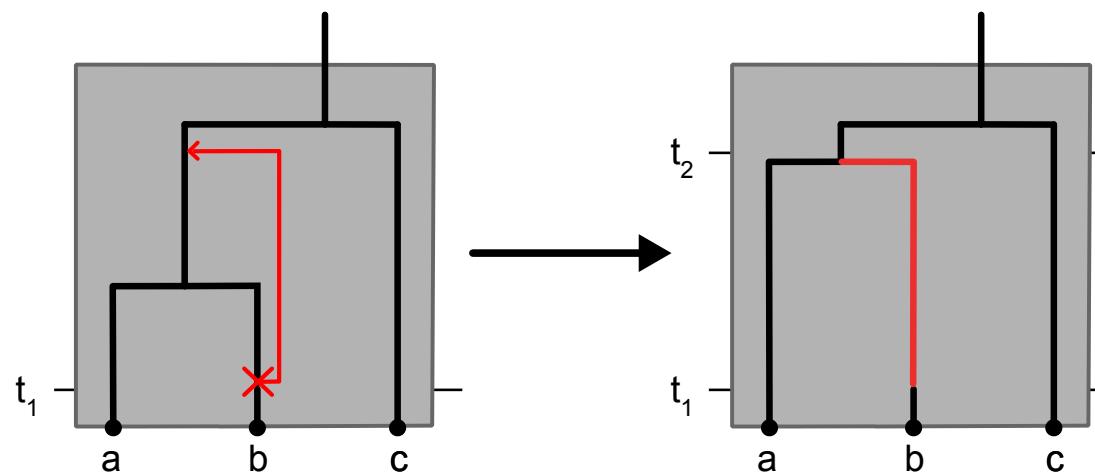
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- Background: SMC' model.
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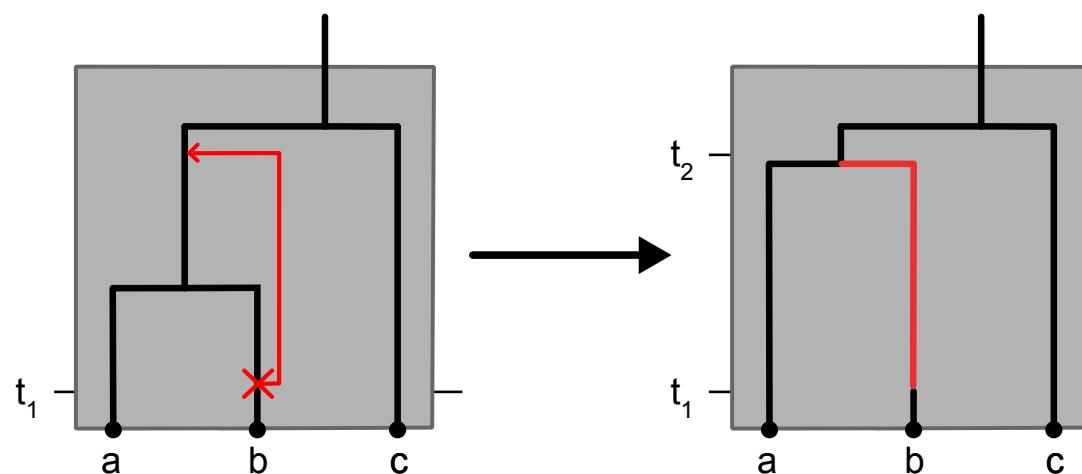


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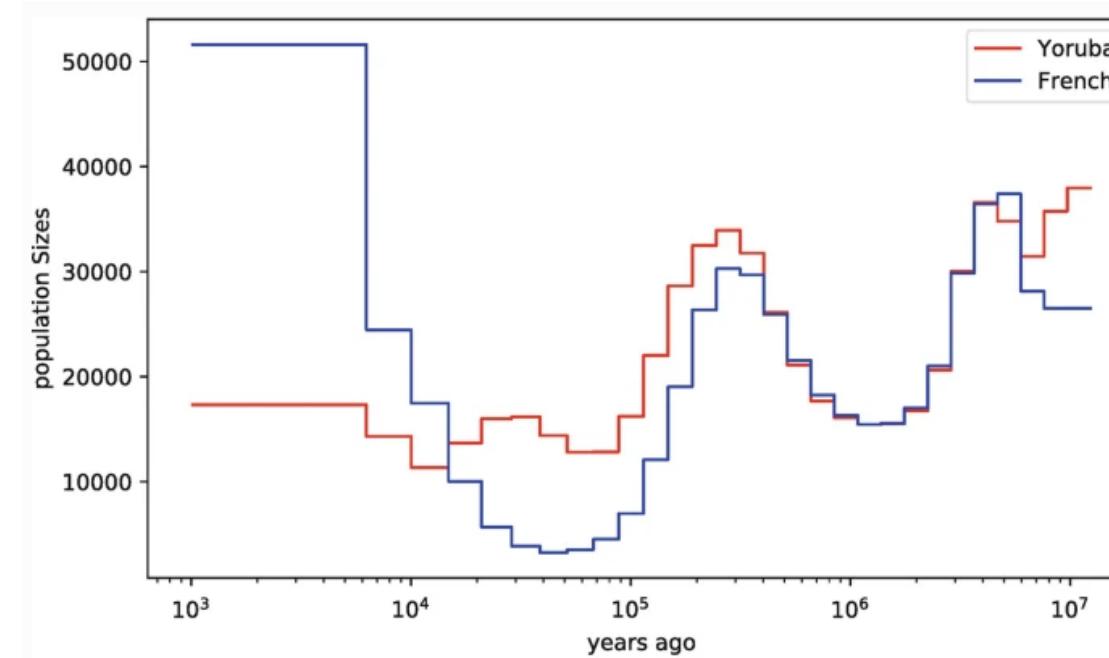
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Process: recombination occurs w/ uniform probability anywhere on a tree ( $t_1$ ), creating a detached subtree, which re-coalesces above  $t_1$  with an ancestral lineage.



# *SMC' is widely used in HMM methods*

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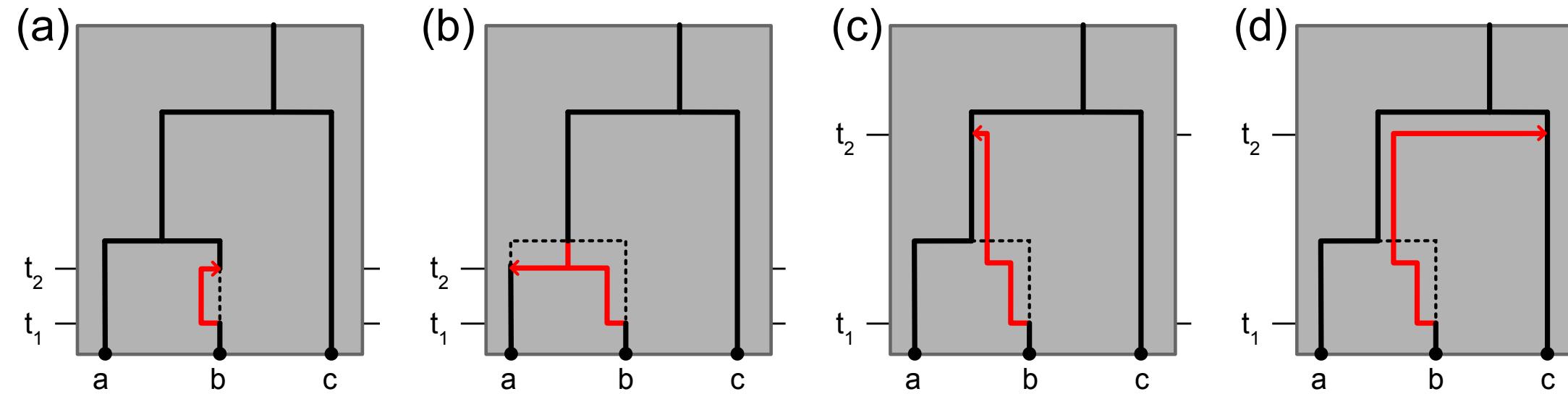


*ARGweaver (Rasmussen et al. 2014) and ARGweaver-D (Hubisz & Siepel 2020) use an SMC'-based conditional sampling method to infer ARGs from sequence data.*

*Currently, we extract a fairly limited amount of spatial information from genomes.*

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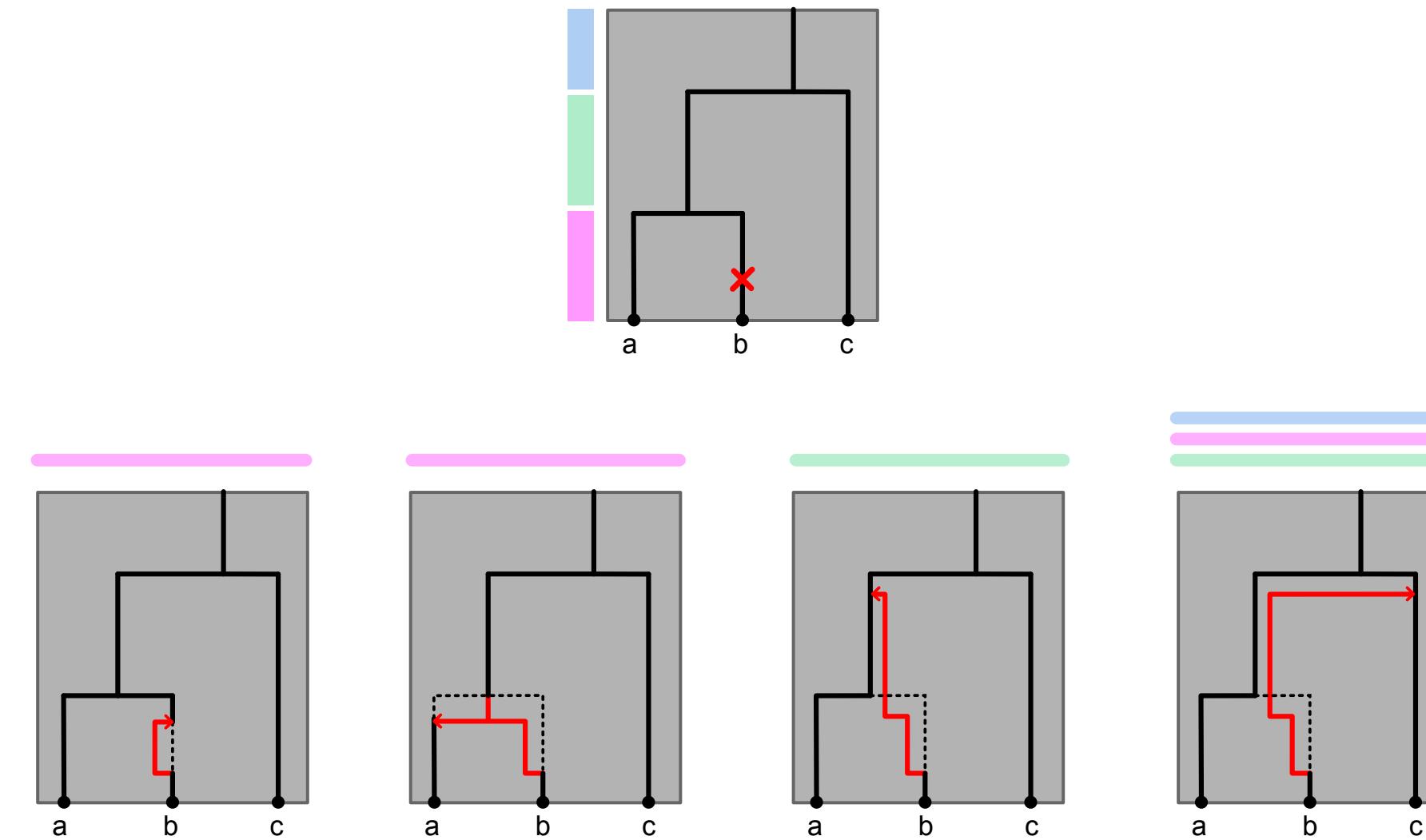
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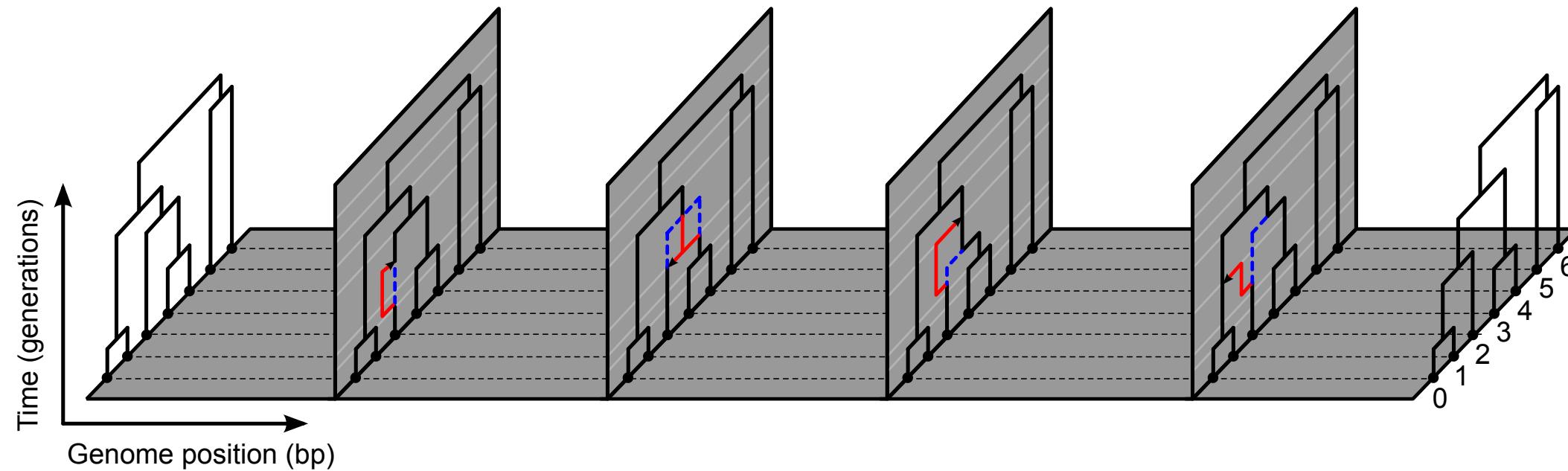
# The distribution of waiting distances in ancestral recombination graphs

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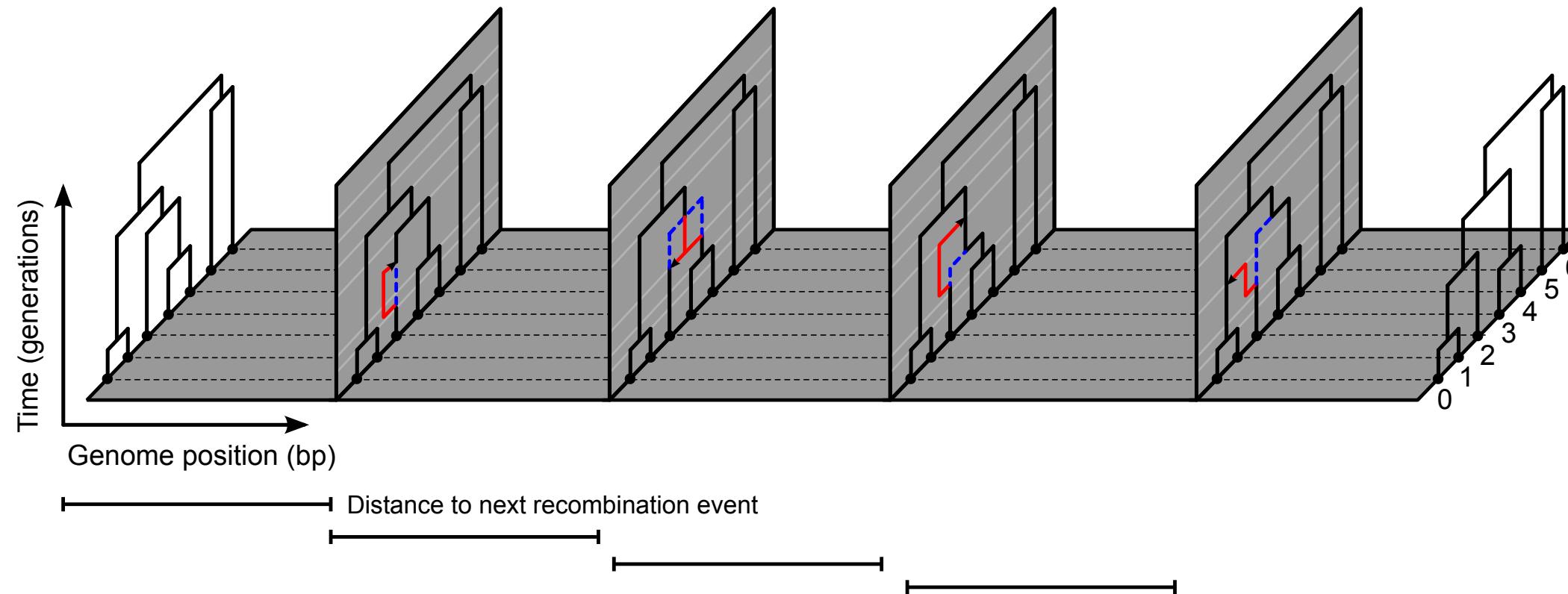
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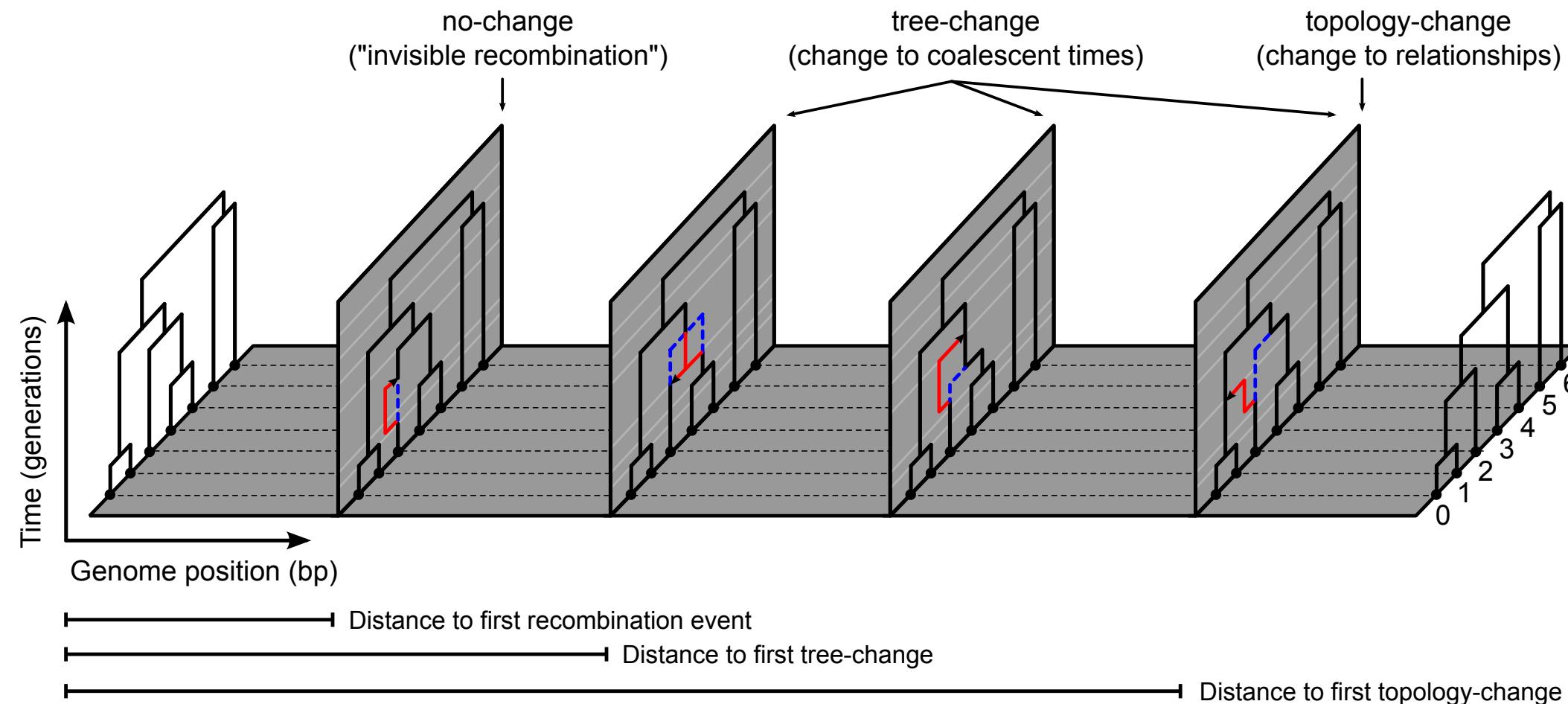
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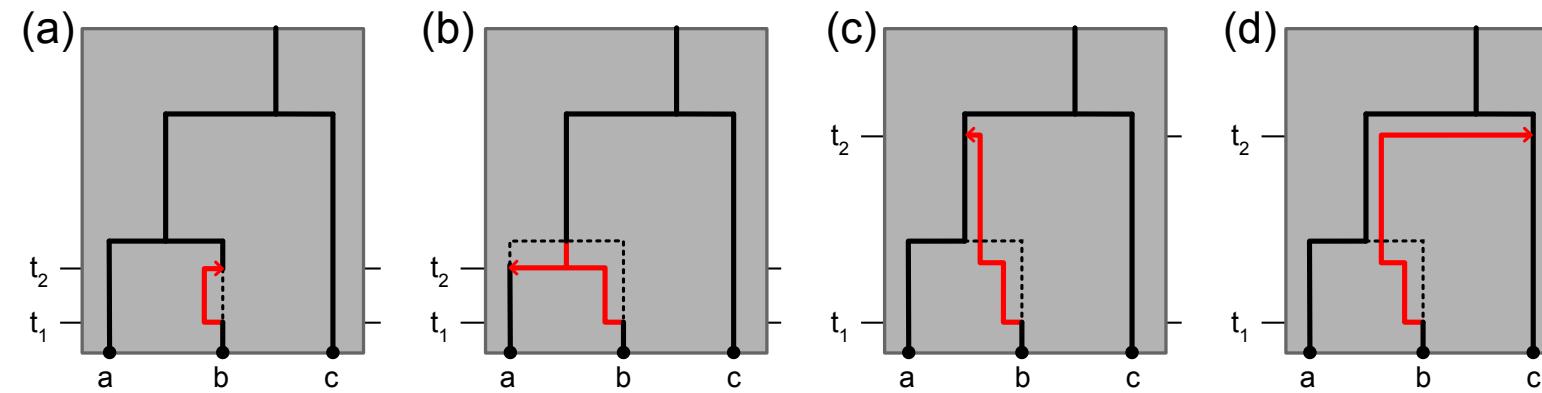
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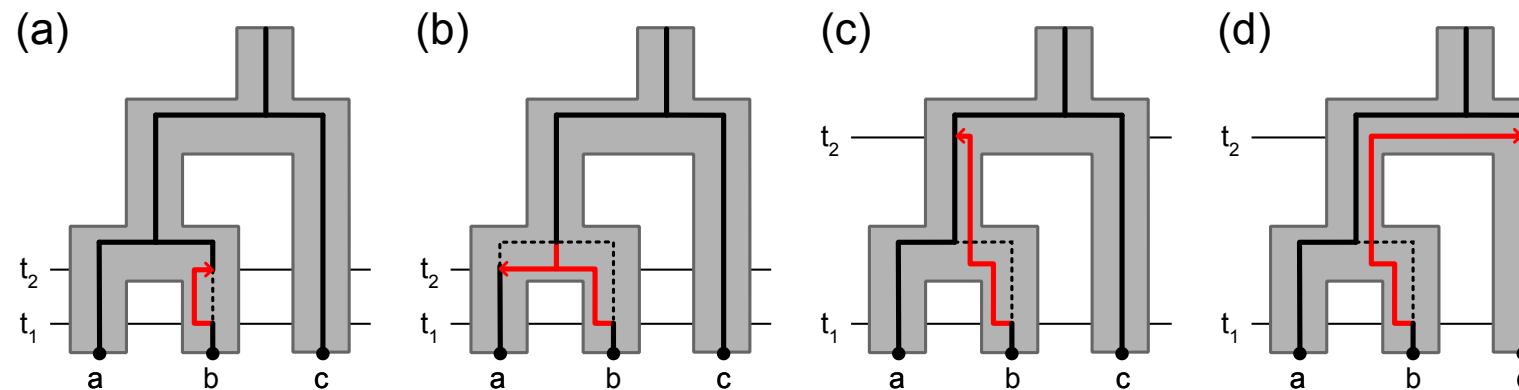
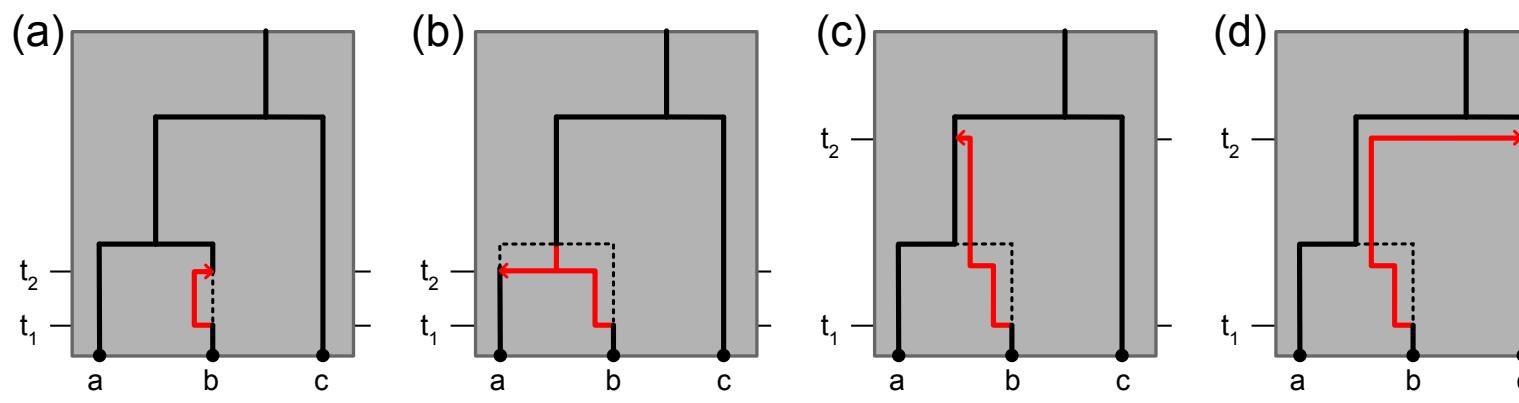
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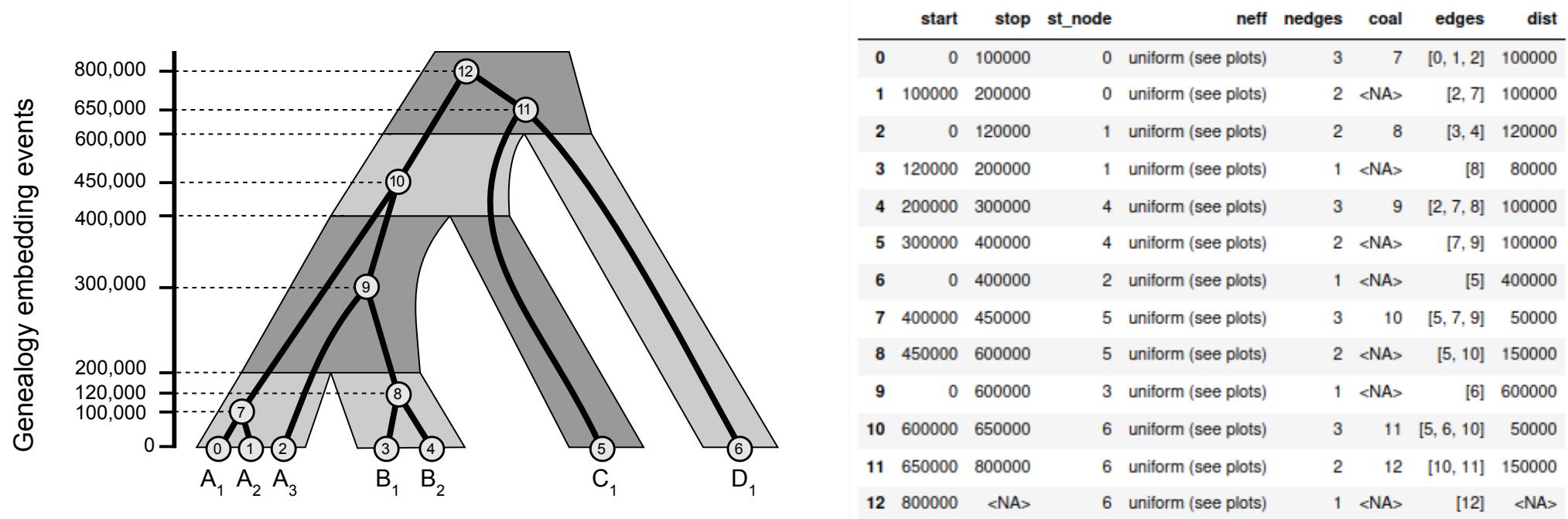
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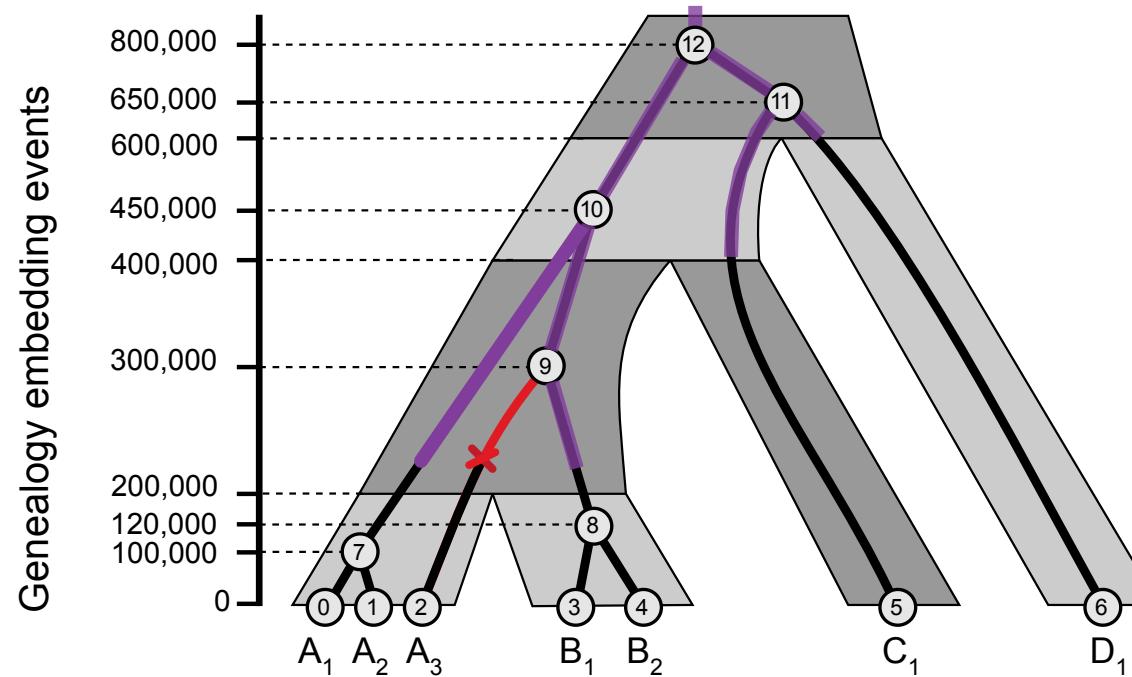
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Genealogy embedding table with piecewise constant coal rates in  
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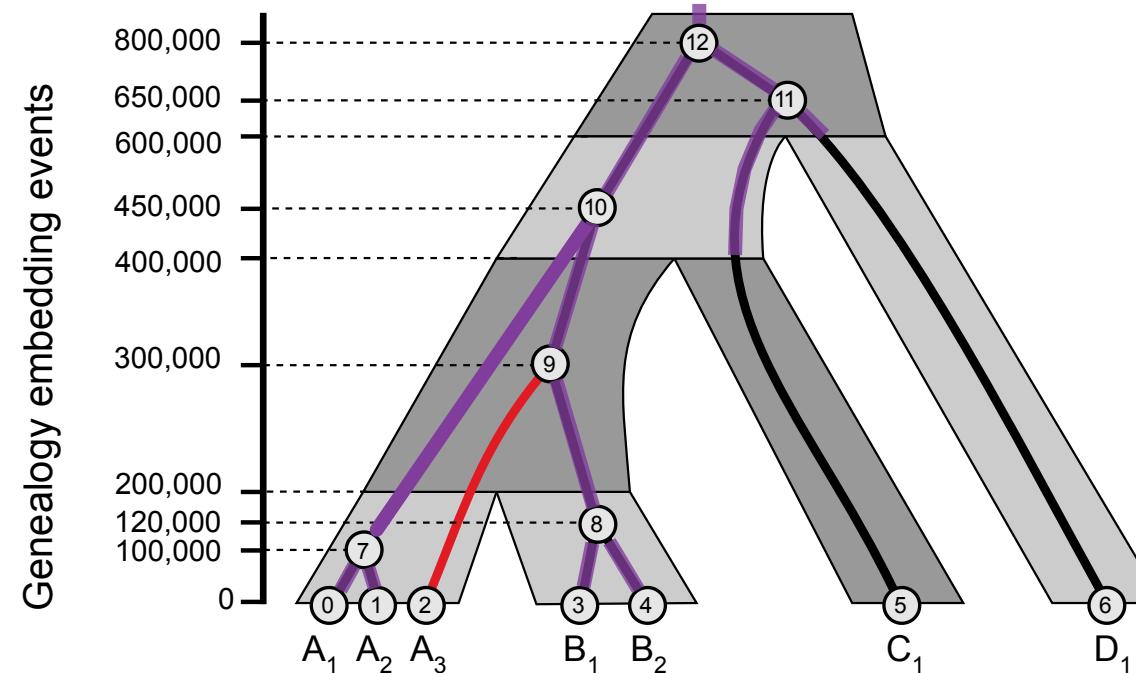
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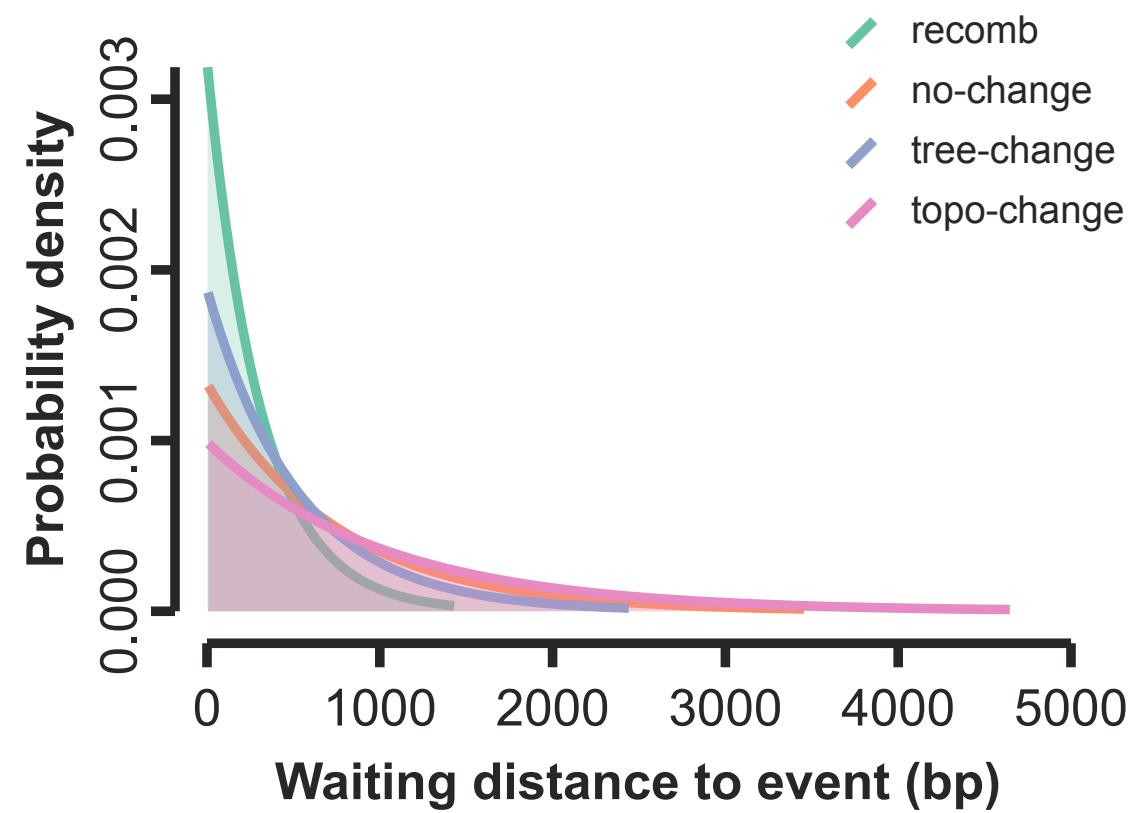
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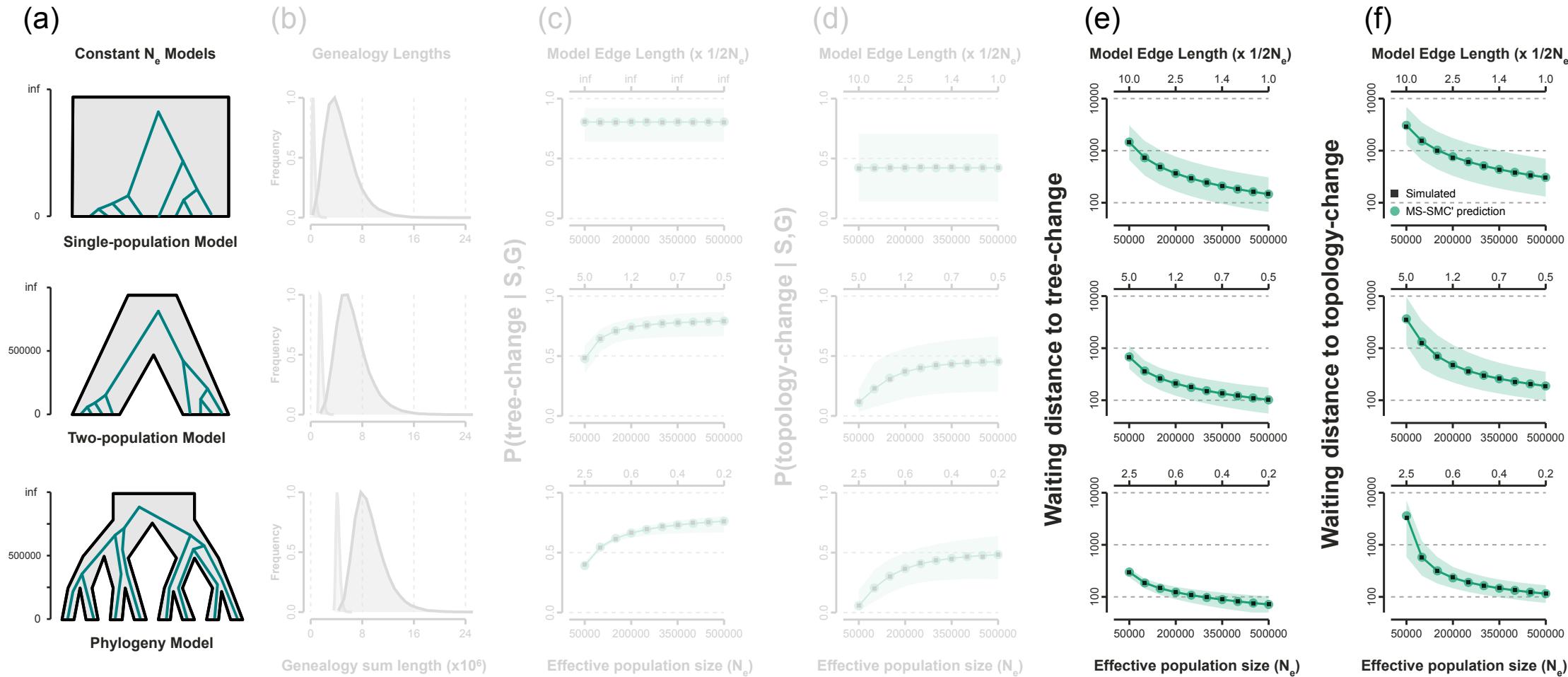
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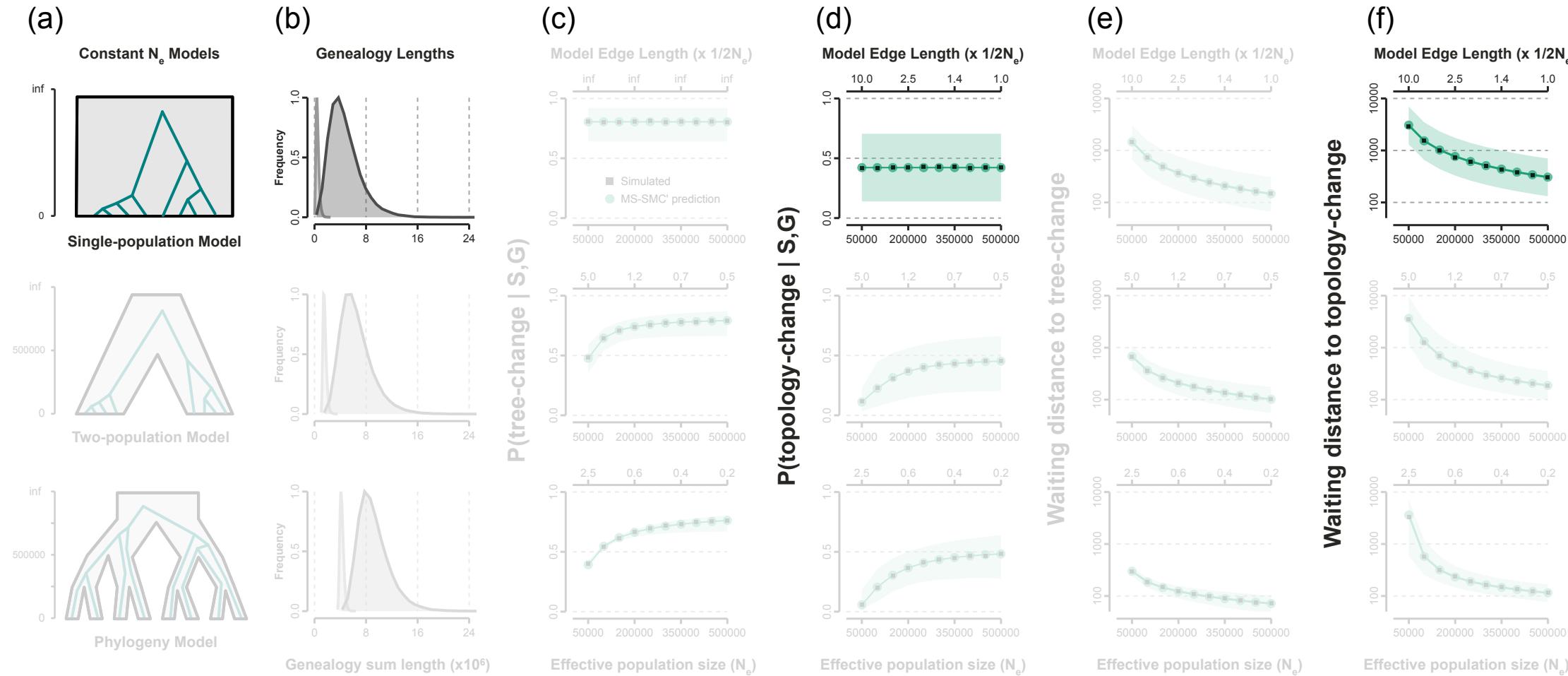
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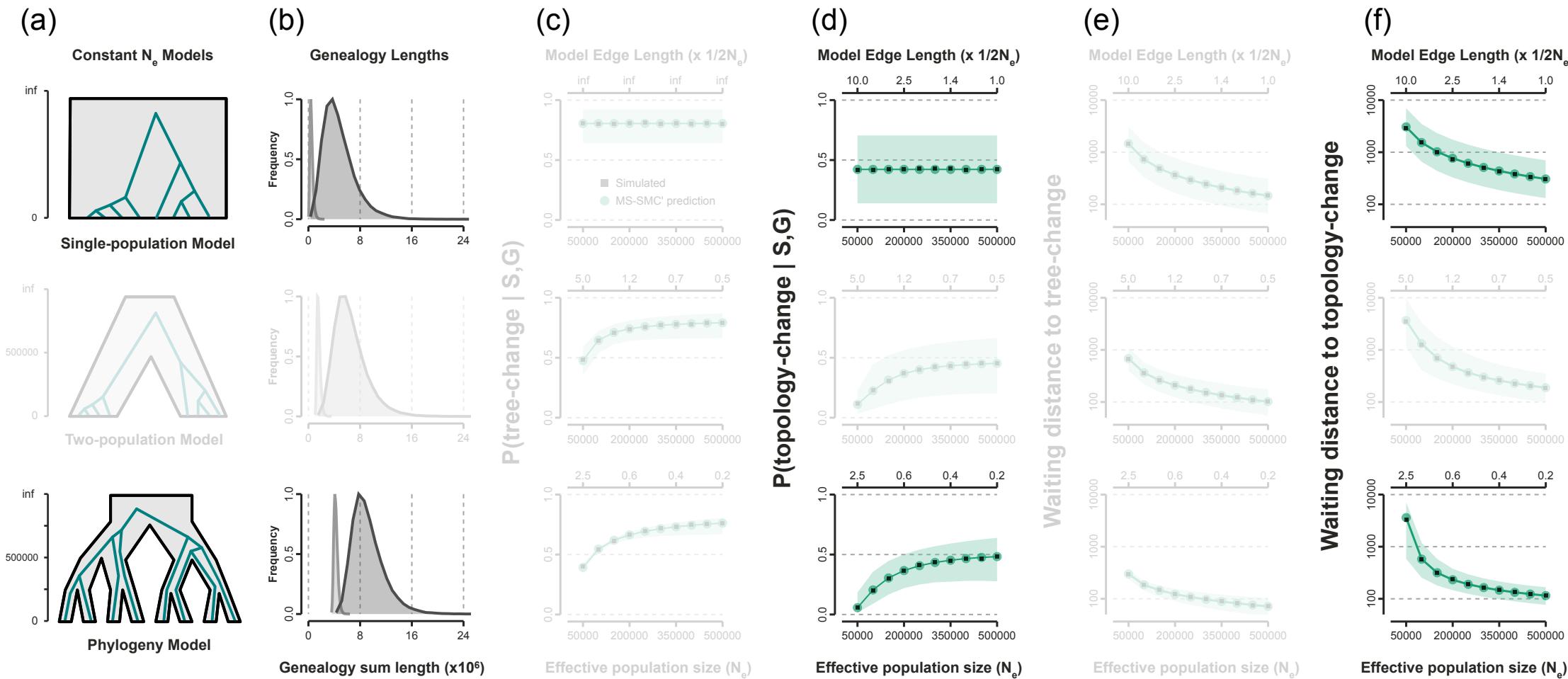
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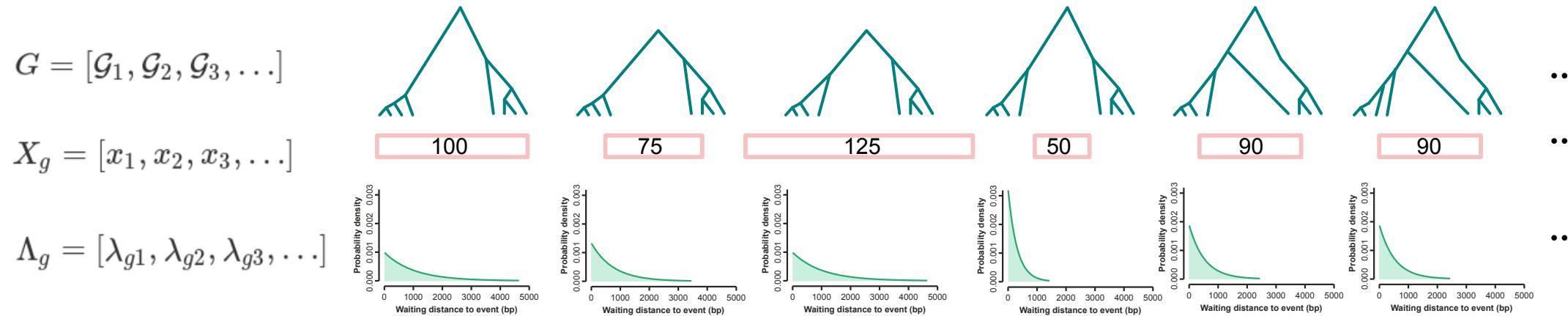
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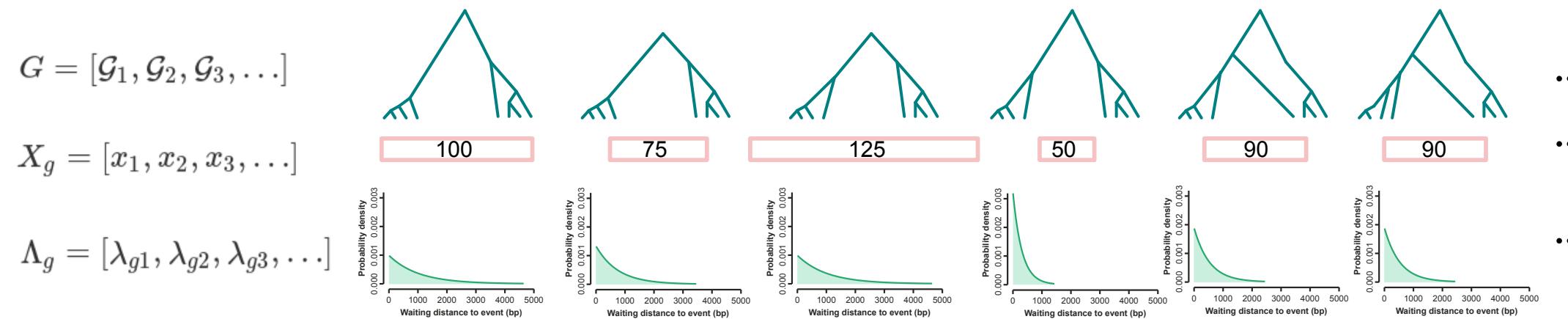
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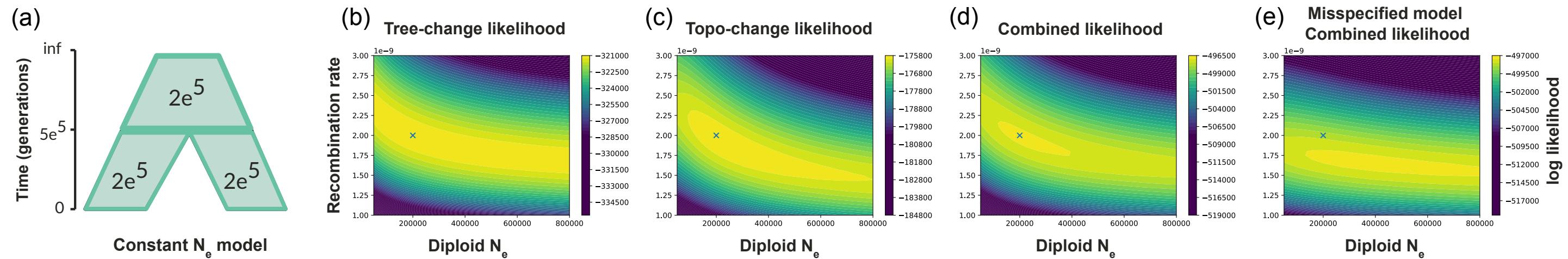
... and calculate likelihood of MSC model ( $\mathcal{S}$ ) from exponential probability densities.

$$\mathcal{L}(\mathcal{S}|\Lambda_g, X_g) = \sum_i \log(\lambda_i e^{-\lambda_i x_i})$$

# Likelihood surface: single $N_e$

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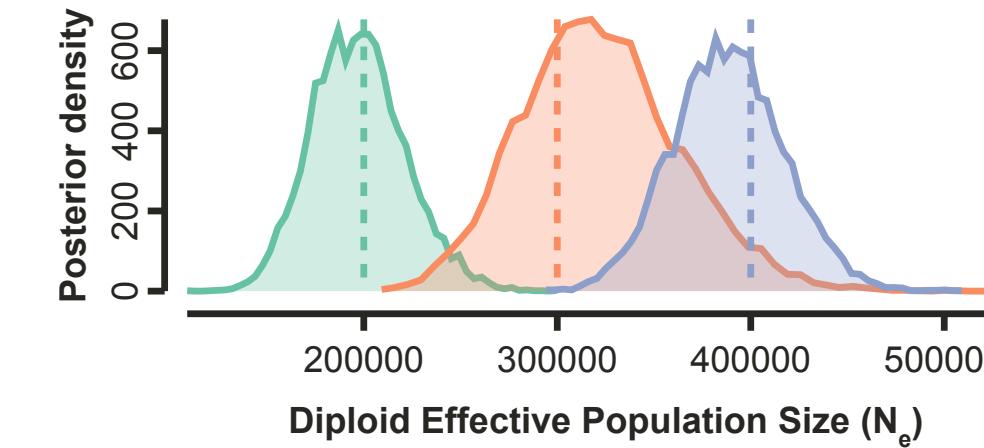
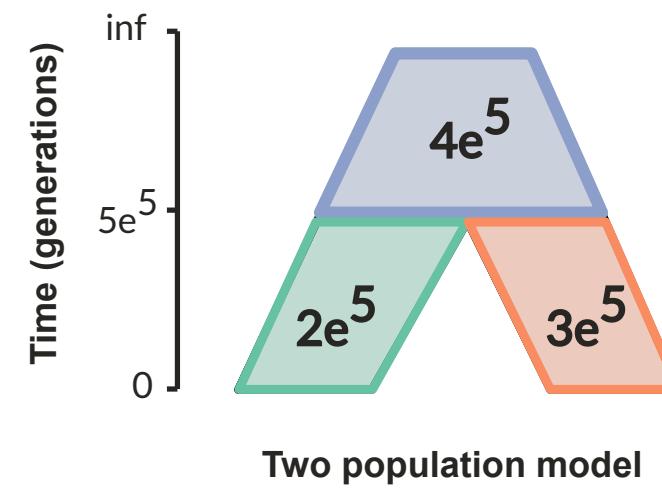
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# Future directions

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- and more...

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