



Pathogen sequences and phylogenetic analysis

Biotechnology Solutions for Infectious Disease



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Previous lecture



STEC and raw milk



Outbreak of STEC O157:H7
associated with contaminated
salad leaves



WGS of MRSA

**Objective: To understand how
pathogen genetics is applied
to epidemiological
investigation and studies**



Assessment 2

- Journal article (1500 words)
- Presenting your results on ARGs in bacteria
- **Phylogenetic tree**
 - Construction
 - Presentation



Exercises

- Finding/identifying gene sequences
- Applications of phylogeny

1. GenBank

2. BLAST

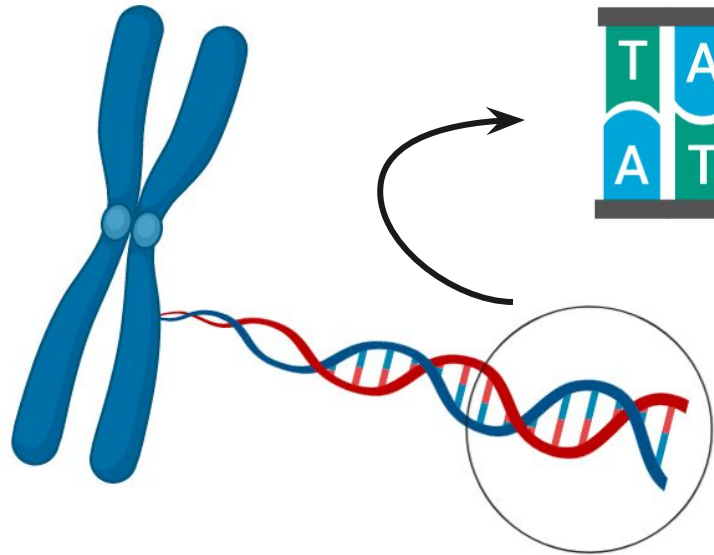
3. Haiti outbreak

4. Vaccinating ebola

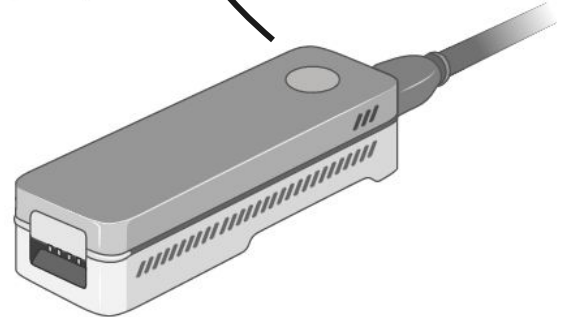
5. HIV transmission

Pathogen sequences

Genetic sequences

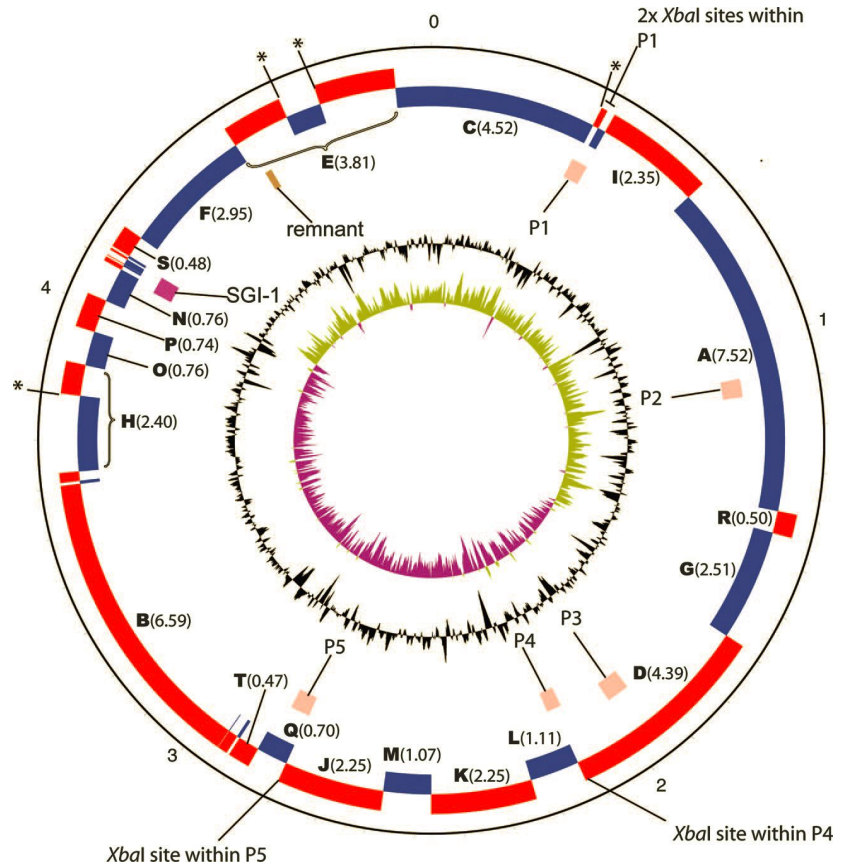


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Bacterial whole genome

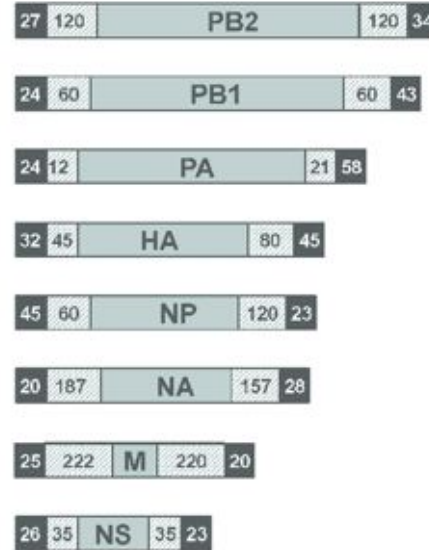
- Physical map of the Salmonella serovar Typhimurium NCTC113348 genome
- circular



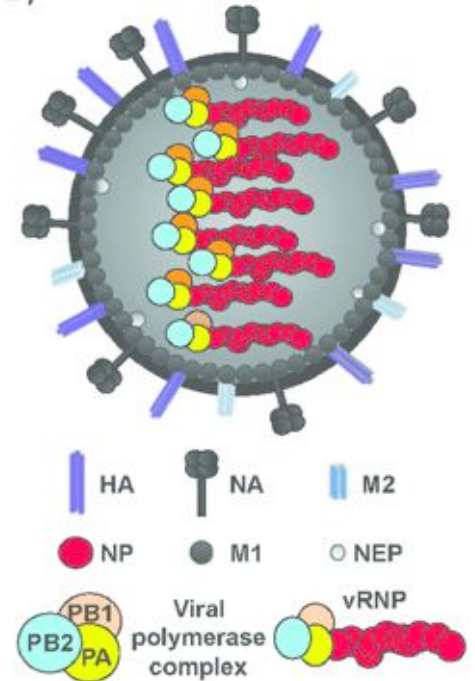
Viral whole genome

- Influenza A virus genome organisation and virion structure
- Linear, segmented

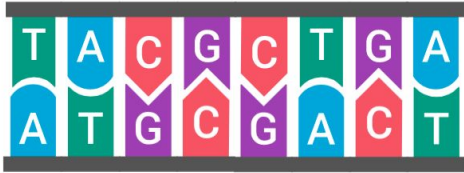
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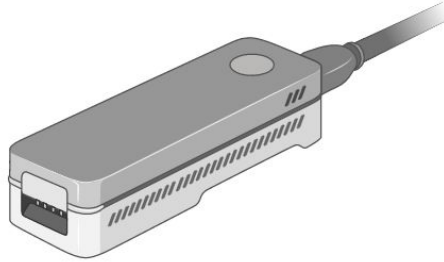


Genetic sequences



Biochemistry

DNA/RNA, Protein



Sequencing

Whole genome, SNPs



File format

.FASTA, .FASTQ, .NEX



Genetic sequences (FASTA)

Salmonella enterica subsp. enterica serovar Typhimurium strain ABBSB1189-1 scaffold00001, whole genome shotgun sequence

GenBank: LAPF01000001.1

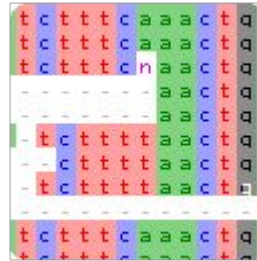
[GenBank](#) [Graphics](#)

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Header

Sequence

Tools - Sequence alignment viewers

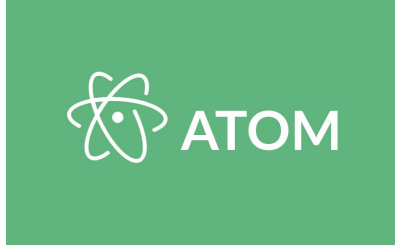


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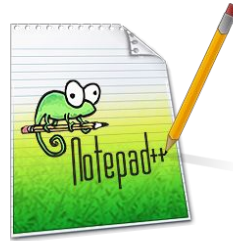


Seqotron

Tools - text editors



Sublime
Text 3



Notepad++



Notepad

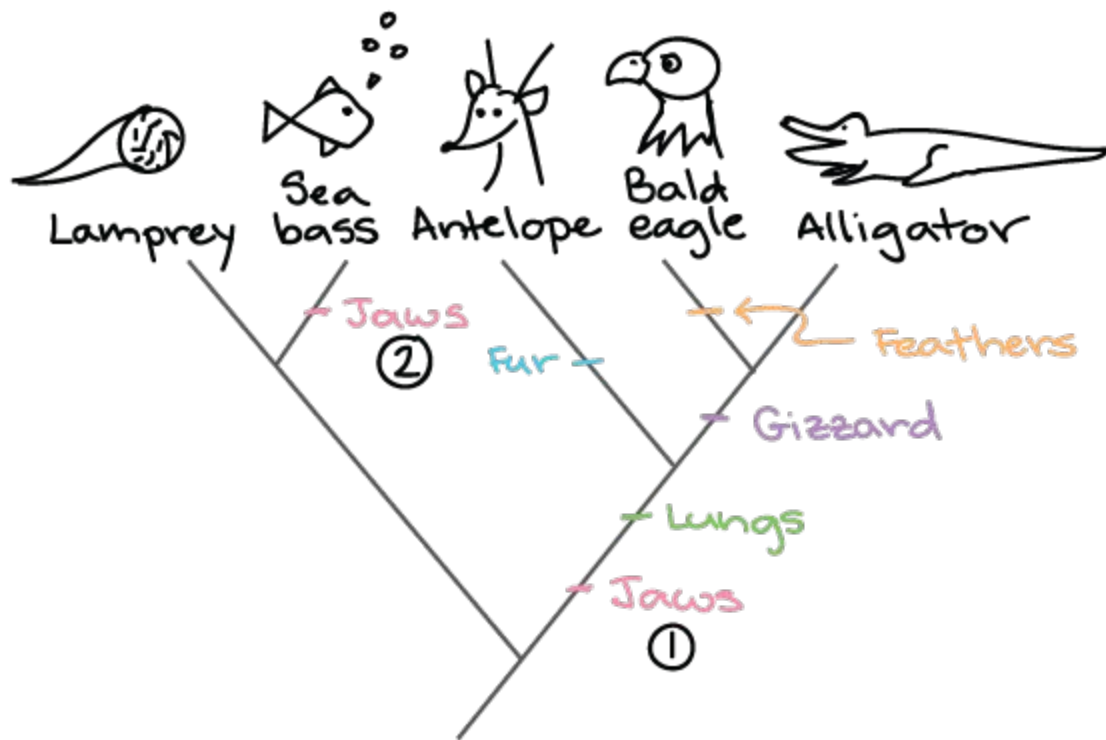
Exercise 1 - NCBI GenBank

Exercise 2 - BLAST

Phylogenetics

1. Relationships between species

2. Evolutionary changes and history



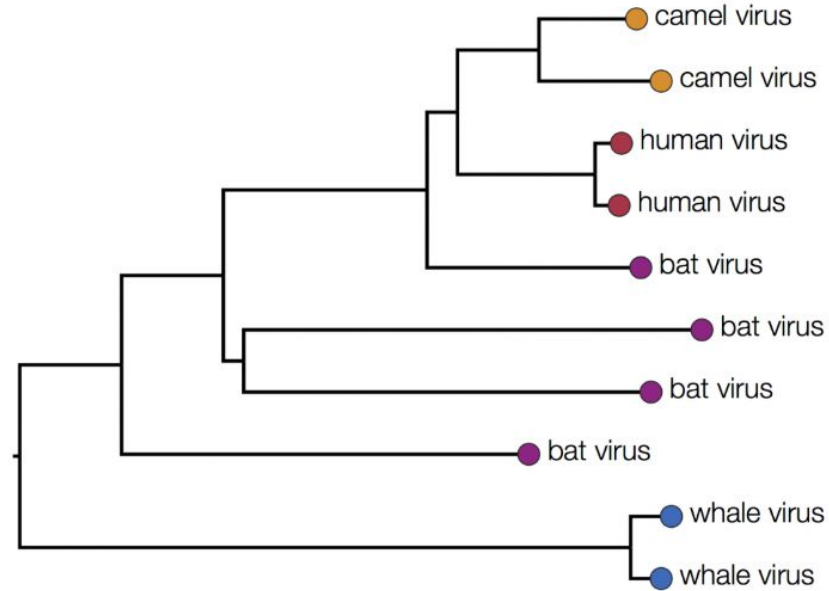
(Cladogram)

1. Relationships between species
TOPOLOGY

2. Evolutionary changes and history
BRANCH LENGTH

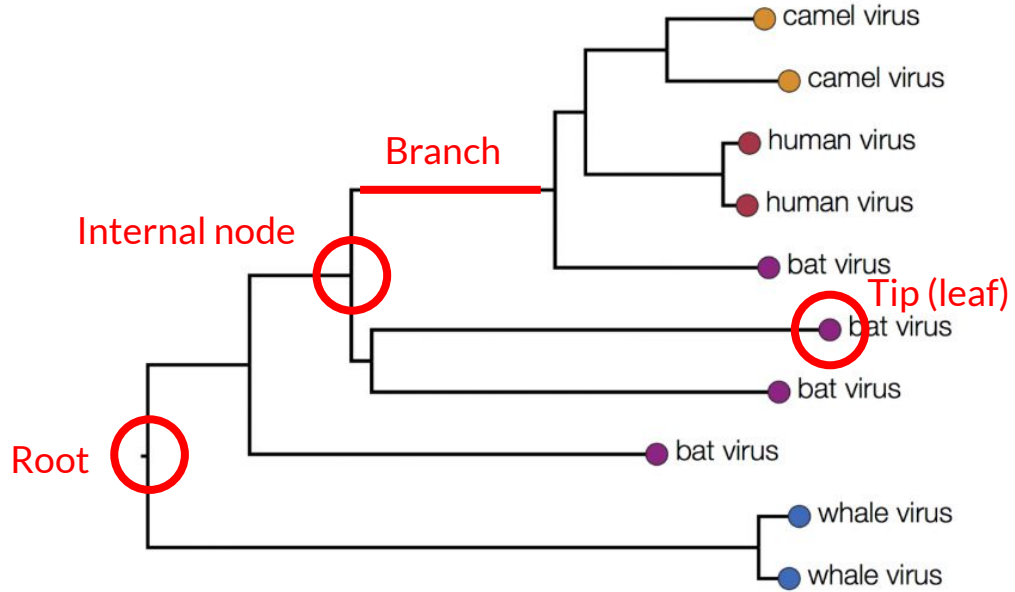
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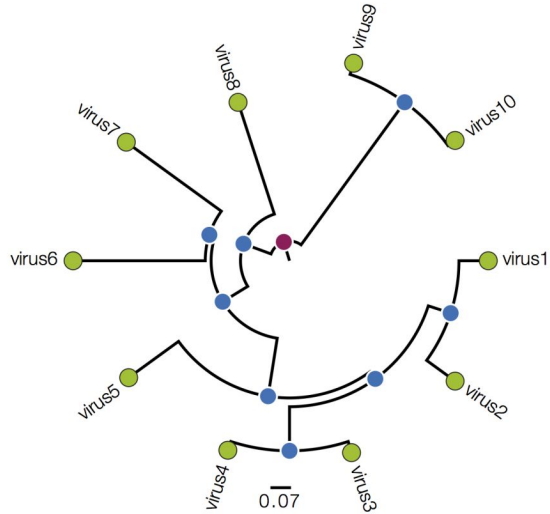
TOPOLOGY

Components of a phylogenetic tree

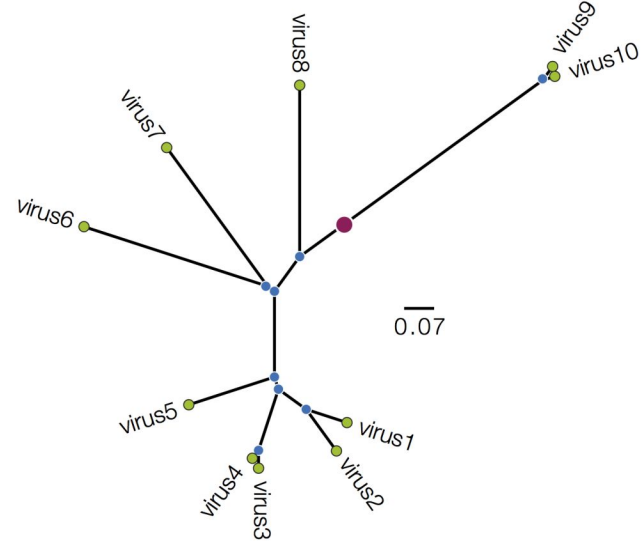


Components of a phylogenetic tree

Variety of tree formats...



Circular/polar



Unrooted



Applications

- Wide range of applications
- Epidemiology - origin, transmission, monitor outbreaks
- Clinical - Drug vaccine, design
- Conservation - identify diversity hotspots
- Cultural - Evolution of art, music, linguistics

PHYLOGENETICS PROGRAMS

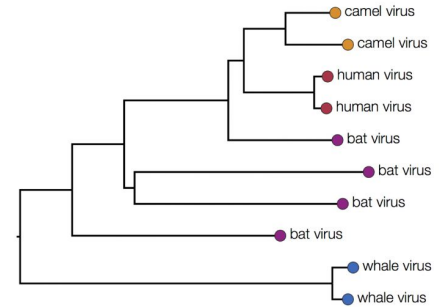
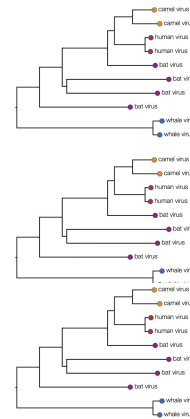
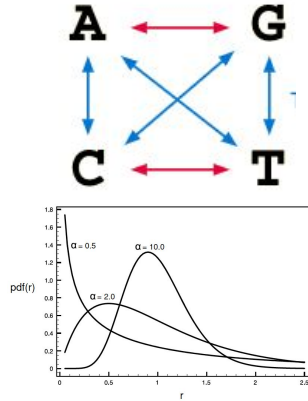
Data

Model
Selection

Tree
inference

Estimation

ACTCGAT
ACTC--T
ACCCG-T
ACCCTTT



Inference workflow



Sequence alignment

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

Human **A****C****T****C****T**

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

Whale **A****C****C****C****T****T****T**



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

Homologous sites aligned



Inference methods

- Parsimony
- Distance
- **Maximum likelihood**
- Bayesian

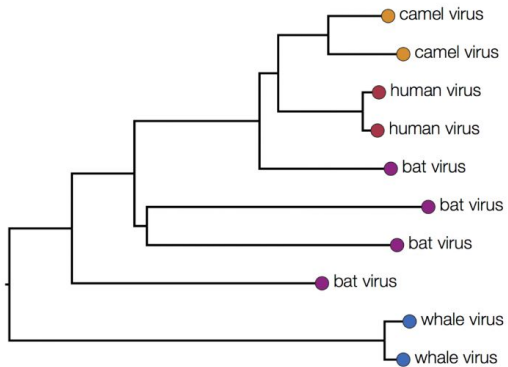


Mr Bayes
Bayesian Inference
of Phylogeny

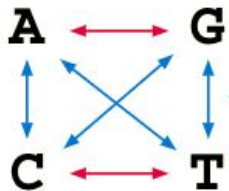
RAXML

IQ-TREE

Efficient software for phylogenomic inference

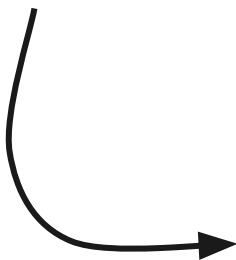


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$P(D|H)$

“Which phylogeny and evolutionary model best explains our data?”



Camel	A C T C G A T
Human	A C T C T
Bat	A C C C G T
Whale	A C C C T T T

Maximum likelihood estimation

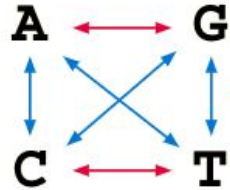
Evolutionary models

Base frequencies

$$\pi_A + \pi_C + \pi_G + \pi_T = 1$$

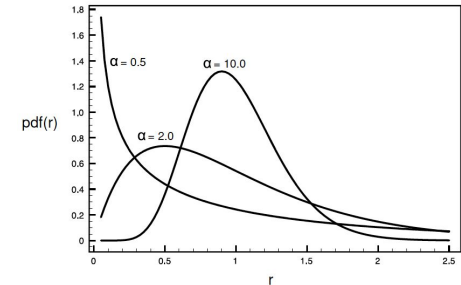
Substitution rates

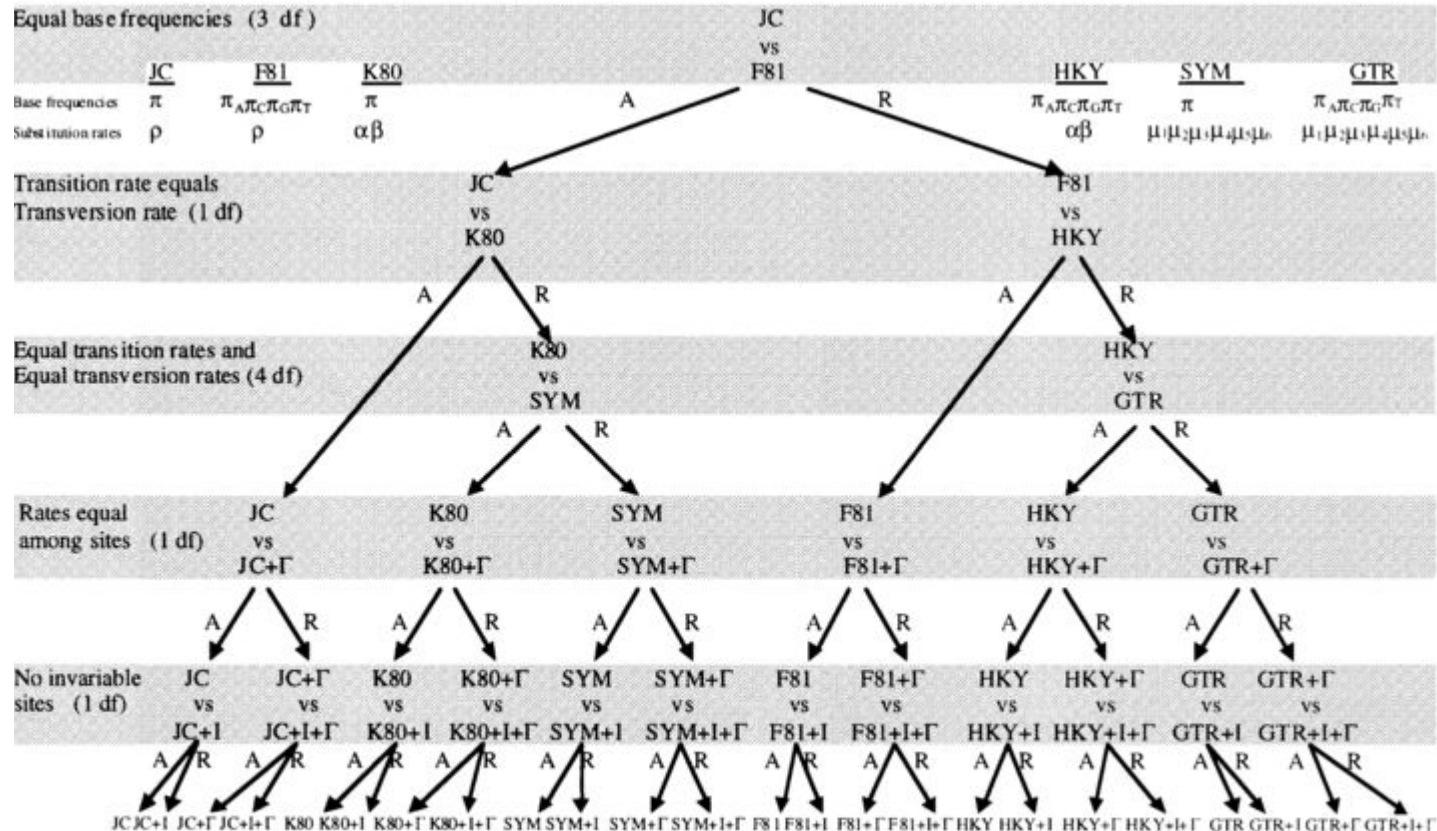
$$\rho, \alpha, \beta, \mu$$



Rate variation

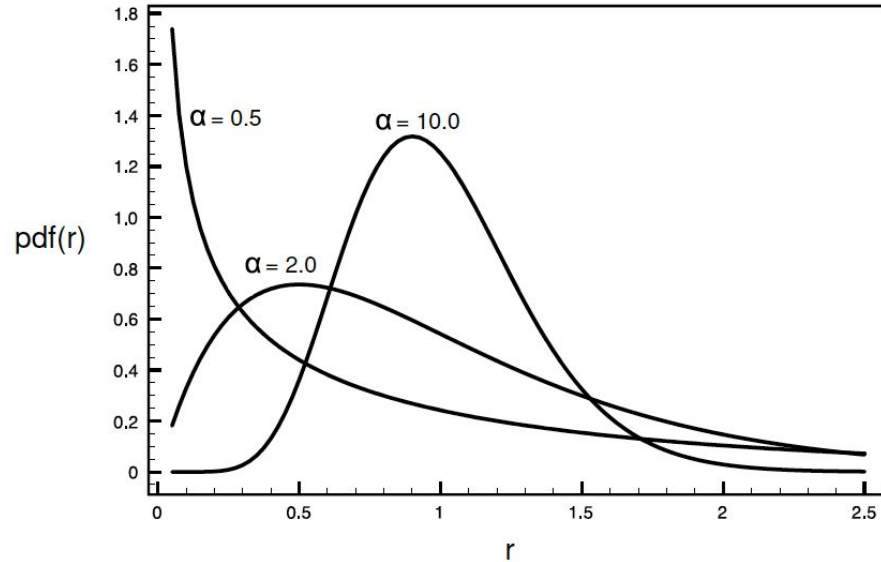
$$+I +G$$





Hierarchical model test (Posada and Crandall, 1998)

Rate variation



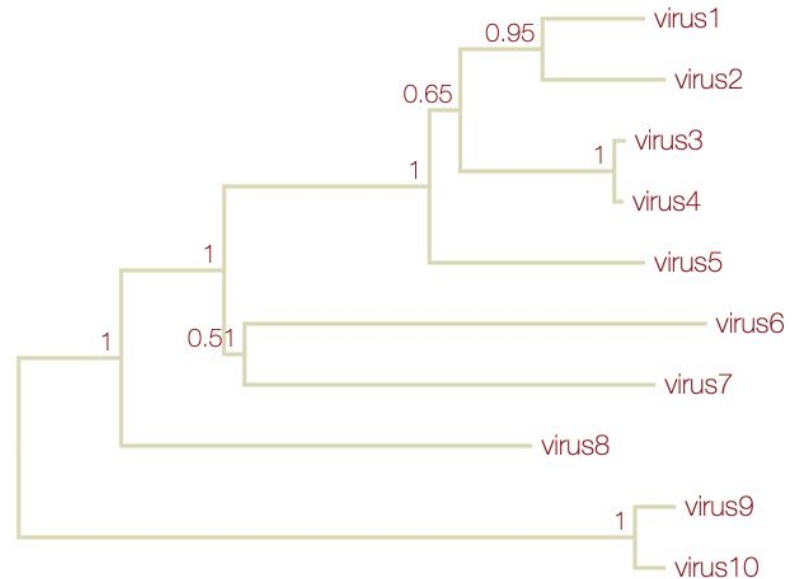
Codon positions mutate at different rates
(3rd > 2nd > 1st)

(+G) The gamma distribution models rate heterogeneity

(+I) Invariant sites assumes “sites do not vary”

Statistical tests

- Bootstrap - measures the certainty of a tree estimate
- Model selection tests:
 - Likelihood ratio tests
 - Akaike Information Criteria (AIC)
 - BIC



**Not all sites evolve at the same
rate**

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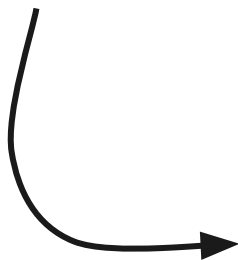


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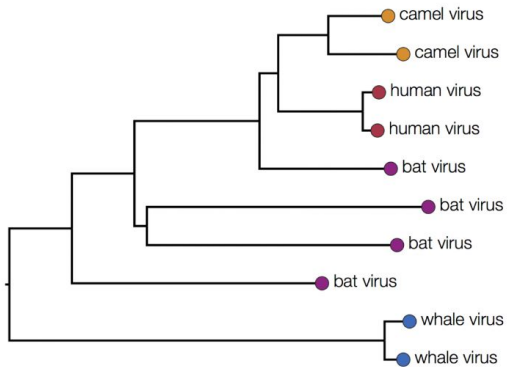


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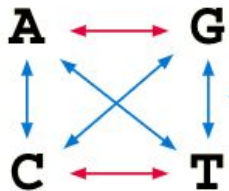
“Which mode of coin toss
and type of coin best
explains our data?”



A conceptual example

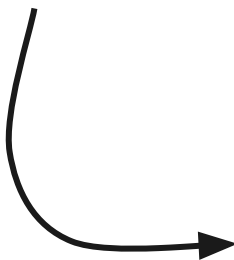


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Maximum likelihood estimation

Exercise 3. Haiti outbreak



Exercise 4. Vaccinating ebola

Exercise 5. HIV transmission