Algorithm 1 Strict Consensus Merger 1: function SCM(tree T_1 , tree T_2) $X \leftarrow \mathcal{L}(T_1) \cap \mathcal{L}(T_2)$ if $|X| \geq 3$ then ▷ Otherwise, the merged tree will be unresolved. 3: calculate $T_{1|X}$ and $T_{2|X}$ 4: $T_X \leftarrow \text{STRICTCONSENSUS}(T_{1|X}, T_{2|X})$ 5: for all removed subtrees of T_1 and T_2 do 6: if collision then \triangleright Subtrees of T_1 and T_2 attach to the same edge e in T_X 7: Insert all colliding subtrees to the same point on e. \triangleright creates polytomy 8: else 9: Reinsert subtree into T_X without violating bipartitions in T_1 or T_2 . 10: end if 11: end for 12: 13: return T_X end if 14: 15: end function