

1 Online appendix for “Convergence-divergence
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10 Sections, algorithms, definitions, theorems, propositions, figures and expressions intro-
11 duced in the main text are labeled numerically. Any introduced in the online appendix
12 are labeled with a number followed by “A”.

13 **1A Parameter identifiability**

14 Recall that we decompose edges of the principal tree into “diverging sections” and
15 “converging sections”. Converging sections span only a single epoch, while diverging
16 sections may span multiple epochs.

17 Recall that rates and epoch times cannot be identified individually; only their
18 products can be identified. A parameter associated with a diverging section of an

edge than spans a single epoch cannot be identified. Instead, an “average” over the maximum number of epochs a contiguous diverging section can span can be identified. For example, suppose rate matrix \mathbf{Q}_1 applies over epoch time t_1 to a diverging section of an edge immediately before an event and rate matrix \mathbf{Q}_2 applies over epoch time t_2 to a diverging section of the edge immediately after the event. Then for the 2-state general Markov model, $\exp(\widehat{\mathbf{Q}}(t_1 + t_2)) = \exp(\mathbf{Q}_2 t_2) \exp(\mathbf{Q}_1 t_1)$, where $\widehat{\mathbf{Q}}$ is again a rate matrix from the 2-state general Markov model. Thus, we apply rate matrix $\widehat{\mathbf{Q}}$ to both diverging sections of the edge.

This lack of identifiability result follows from the 2-state general Markov model forming a Lie algebra, sufficient for multiplicative closure of the model class (Sumner et al. 2012a). Suppose α_1 and β_1 and α_2 and β_2 correspond with rate matrices \mathbf{Q}_1 and \mathbf{Q}_2 , respectively. Then by Definition 4, $\frac{\alpha_1}{\beta_1} = \frac{\alpha_2}{\beta_2}$. It is straightforward to show that if $\widehat{\alpha}$ and $\widehat{\beta}$ are associated with $\widehat{\mathbf{Q}}$, then $\frac{\widehat{\alpha}}{\widehat{\beta}} = \frac{\alpha_1}{\beta_1} = \frac{\alpha_2}{\beta_2}$. Thus, the product of the two transition matrices is replaced by a single “average” transition matrix.

All parameters except for those corresponding to the root distribution are of the form $l_i = a_i + b_i = \alpha_i t_i + \beta_i t_i = a_i \left(1 + \frac{b_i}{a_i}\right)$, where i and j are arbitrary parameter indices, $a_i = \alpha_i t_i$ and $b_i = \beta_i t_i$. (Note that these parameters are scalars, whereas $\exp(\widehat{\mathbf{Q}}(t_1 + t_2))$ is a matrix.) Since $\frac{\alpha_i}{\beta_i} = \frac{\alpha_j}{\beta_j}$, it follows that $\frac{a_i}{b_i} = \frac{a_j}{b_j}$.

Contiguous diverging sections of an edge — not separated by a converging section — each have a single associated parameter l_i . Furthermore, each convergence group has an associated parameter l_j , in common for all converging sections of edges in the convergence group. In addition to parameters describing the convergence groups and contiguous diverging sections, there is a parameter $\gamma = [\mathbf{\Pi}]_0 - [\mathbf{\Pi}]_1 = \frac{-a_i + b_i}{a_i + b_i}$ describing the difference in probabilities of states 0 and 1 on the root taxon.

To form the set of parameters of a CDM, we consider a particular unique set of diverging and converging sections. Since differences in parameters between contiguous diverging sections cannot be identified, the diverging sections we consider are those

sections on the principal tree between a node or converging section and another node or converging section. Furthermore, since the exact root location on the outgroup edge is not identifiable, we consider one diverging section to be the entire outgroup edge when the principal tree of the CDM is unrooted. The converging sections correspond to individual epochs where there is a convergence group. Converging sections correspond to convergence parameters and diverging sections correspond to divergence parameters.

Note that although this is the general formulation of the parameter space, on a given CDM not all parameters are necessarily identifiable. To obtain an identifiable set of parameters some combinations of the divergence parameters may be required, which we describe in Section 3A.1. For the following sections, the parameters $x_i = \exp(-l_i) \in (0, 1)$ and the variants y_i and z_i are used for establishing identifiability and distinguishability of CDMs.

2A Limiting behavior of converging taxa

2A.1 Proof of Proposition 1

Before proving the claim, we introduce some notation. Using similar notation to Sumner et al. (2012b), for some arbitrary integer $l \geq 1$ and $\mathbf{X} \in \{\mathbf{L}_\alpha, \mathbf{L}_\beta\}$,

$$\mathbf{X}^{(A)} = \prod_{i \in A} \mathbf{X}^{(i)},$$

where $\mathbf{X}^{(i)} = \mathbf{I} \otimes \mathbf{I} \otimes \dots \otimes \mathbf{X} \otimes \mathbf{I} \otimes \dots \otimes \mathbf{I}$ has \mathbf{X} in the i^{th} position and \mathbf{I} in all $l - 1$ other positions, \otimes is the Kronecker product, $A \subseteq [l] = \{1, 2, \dots, l\}$ and

$$\mathbf{L}_\alpha = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{L}_\beta = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad \mathbf{I} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

65 Then we define

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{L}_\alpha^{[l]} &= \sum_{B \subseteq [l]} \mathbf{L}_\alpha^{(B)} = (\mathbf{L}_\alpha + \mathbf{I})^{\otimes l}, \\ \mathcal{L}_\beta^{[l]} &= \sum_{B \subseteq [l]} \mathbf{L}_\beta^{(B)} = (\mathbf{L}_\beta + \mathbf{I})^{\otimes l},\end{aligned}$$

66 where $(\mathbf{X} + \mathbf{I})^{\otimes l} = (\mathbf{X} + \mathbf{I}) \otimes (\mathbf{X} + \mathbf{I}) \otimes \dots \otimes (\mathbf{X} + \mathbf{I})$ involves $\mathbf{X} + \mathbf{I}$ a total of l
67 times.

68 Note that this definition is very similar to the rate matrix of [Sumner et al. \(2012b\)](#)
69 for all l taxa present in an epoch also being in a convergence group,

$$\mathbf{Q}^{[l]} = \alpha \mathfrak{L}_\alpha^{[l]} + \beta \mathfrak{L}_\beta^{[l]},$$

70 where

$$\mathfrak{L}_\alpha^{[l]} = \sum_{B \subseteq [l], B \neq \emptyset} \mathbf{L}_\alpha^{(B)}, \quad \mathfrak{L}_\beta^{[l]} = \sum_{B \subseteq [l], B \neq \emptyset} \mathbf{L}_\beta^{(B)}.$$

71 Then

$$\mathcal{L}_\alpha^{[l]} = \mathfrak{L}_\alpha^{[l]} + \mathbf{I}^{\otimes l}, \quad \mathcal{L}_\beta^{[l]} = \mathfrak{L}_\beta^{[l]} + \mathbf{I}^{\otimes l},$$

72 where $\mathbf{I}^{\otimes l} = \mathbf{I} \otimes \mathbf{I} \otimes \dots \otimes \mathbf{I}$ involves \mathbf{I} a total of l times.

73 The proof is split into four parts. We determine the rate matrix for an arbitrary
74 epoch in each part of the proof. 1) Instead of having N taxa, we assume that \mathcal{N} has
75 l taxa, where $l \in \{1, 2, \dots, N\}$, all in the same convergence-divergence group in some
76 arbitrary epoch. 2) We assume that \mathcal{N} has N taxa, with the first l — according to
77 the indices $i = i_1 i_2 \dots i_N$ and $j = j_1 j_2 \dots j_N$ — in the same convergence-divergence

78 group in the epoch. 3) We determine the rate matrix corresponding to an arbitrary
 79 convergence-divergence group with l taxa — still assuming \mathcal{N} has N taxa — by
 80 permuting the taxon labels, which corresponds to permuting the indices i and j . 4) The
 81 rate matrix for the epoch is determined by summing the rate matrices corresponding
 82 to all convergence-divergence groups in arbitrary epoch — all N taxa are in exactly
 83 one convergence-divergence group.

84 **Proposition 1** Suppose a tip epoch of CDM \mathcal{N} with leaf taxon set X and $|X| = N$ cor-
 85 responds to a set of sets of taxa in each convergence-divergence group $\mathcal{C} = \{C_1, C_2, \dots, C_k\}$.
 86 Suppose $\mathbf{Q}^{[\mathcal{C}]}$ is the $2^N \times 2^N$ rate matrix representing \mathcal{C} . Then

$$\left[\mathbf{Q}^{[\mathcal{C}]} \right]_{ij} = \begin{cases} \alpha_r & \text{if for some } C_r \in \mathcal{C}, \quad \prod_{a \in C_r} j_a = 0, \\ & \prod_{a \in C_r} i_a = 1 \text{ and } i_a = j_a \text{ for all } a \in X \setminus C_r, \\ \beta_r & \text{if for some } C_r \in \mathcal{C}, \quad \prod_{a \in C_r} (1 - j_a) = 0, \\ & \prod_{a \in C_r} (1 - i_a) = 1 \text{ and } i_a = j_a \text{ for all } a \in X \setminus C_r, \\ 0 & \text{otherwise if } i \neq j, \\ - \sum_{s=1}^{2^N} \mathbf{Q}^{[\mathcal{C}]}_{sj} & \text{if } i = j, \end{cases}$$

87 where $\alpha_r, \beta_r > 0$.

88 *Proof* 1) Suppose \mathcal{N} has only l taxa, where $l \in \{1, 2, \dots, N\}$, all in the same convergence-
 89 divergence group in some epoch. Then from Sumner et al. (2012b), the rate matrix for the
 90 epoch is

$$\mathbf{Q}^{[l]} = \alpha \mathfrak{L}_\alpha^{[l]} + \beta \mathfrak{L}_\beta^{[l]},$$

91 where $\alpha, \beta > 0$.

92 We first prove that

$$\left[Q^{[l]} \right]_{ij} = \begin{cases} \alpha & \text{if } \prod_{a=1}^l i_a = 1 \text{ and } \prod_{a=1}^l j_a = 0, \\ \beta & \text{if } \prod_{a=1}^l (1 - i_a) = 1 \text{ and } \prod_{a=1}^l (1 - j_a) = 0, \\ 0 & \text{otherwise if } i \neq j. \end{cases}$$

93 Note that we have not declared the diagonal elements of $Q^{[l]}$, which are determined in
94 the next part of the proof.

95 We first define $\tilde{Q}^{[l]} = \alpha \mathcal{L}_\alpha^{[l]} + \beta \mathcal{L}_\beta^{[l]}$ and determine its elements by mathematical induction.

96 It is straightforward to show that

$$L_\alpha + I = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad L_\beta + I = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

97 and in turn,

$$\tilde{Q}^{[1]} = \alpha (L_\alpha + I) + \beta (L_\beta + I) = \begin{bmatrix} \beta & \beta \\ \alpha & \alpha \end{bmatrix}.$$

98 We claim that for some integer $m \geq 1$,

$$\left[\tilde{Q}^{[m]} \right]_{ij} = \begin{cases} \beta & \text{if } i = 1, \\ \alpha & \text{if } i = 2^m, \\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

99 We establish that if the claim is true, then

$$\left[\tilde{Q}^{[m+1]} \right]_{ij} = \begin{cases} \beta & \text{if } i = 1, \\ \alpha & \text{if } i = 2^{m+1}, \\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

100 Since

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{Q}^{[m]} &= \alpha \mathcal{L}_\alpha^{[m]} + \beta \mathcal{L}_\beta^{[m]} \\ &= \alpha (L_\alpha + I)^{\otimes m} + \beta (L_\beta + I)^{\otimes m}, \end{aligned}$$

101 it follows that

$$\tilde{\mathbf{Q}}^{[m+1]} = \alpha (\mathbf{L}_\alpha + \mathbf{I}) \otimes \mathcal{L}_\alpha^{[m]} + \beta (\mathbf{L}_\beta + \mathbf{I}) \otimes \mathcal{L}_\beta^{[m]}$$

102 and thus the claim is established.

103 Then since

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{Q}^{[l]} &= \alpha \mathfrak{L}_\alpha^{[l]} + \beta \mathfrak{L}_\beta^{[l]} \\ &= \tilde{\mathbf{Q}}^{[l]} - (\alpha + \beta) \mathbf{I}^{\otimes l}, \end{aligned}$$

104 it follows that

$$[\mathbf{Q}^{[l]}]_{ij} = \begin{cases} \alpha & \text{if } \prod_{a=1}^l i_a = 1 \text{ and } \prod_{a=1}^l j_a = 0, \\ \beta & \text{if } \prod_{a=1}^l (1 - i_a) = 1 \text{ and } \prod_{a=1}^l (1 - j_a) = 0, \\ 0 & \text{otherwise if } i \neq j. \end{cases}$$

105 Note that $\sum_{i=1}^{2^l} [\tilde{\mathbf{Q}}^{[l]}]_{ij} = \alpha + \beta$. Thus, $\sum_{i=1}^{2^l} [\mathbf{Q}^{[l]}]_{ij} = 0$. Summarizing,

$$[\mathbf{Q}^{[l]}]_{ij} = \begin{cases} \alpha & \text{if } \prod_{a=1}^l i_a = 1 \text{ and } \prod_{a=1}^l j_a = 0, \\ \beta & \text{if } \prod_{a=1}^l (1 - i_a) = 1 \text{ and } \prod_{a=1}^l (1 - j_a) = 0, \\ 0 & \text{otherwise if } i \neq j, \\ -\sum_{s=1, s \neq j}^{2^l} [\mathbf{Q}^{[l]}]_{sj} & \text{if } i = j. \end{cases}$$

106 From here onwards, we let $*$ represent the negative of the sum of all non-diagonal elements
107 of column j of the rate matrix.

108 2) Suppose that \mathcal{N} has N taxa, with the first l — according to the indices $i = i_1 i_2 \dots i_N$
109 and $j = j_1 j_2 \dots j_N$ — in a convergence-divergence group. Assume that this is the only
110 convergence-divergence group in the epoch. That is, in the epoch the last $N - l$ taxa are not
111 in any convergence-divergence group; they will be assigned to convergence-divergence groups
112 at later steps in the proof. Then by [Sumner et al. \(2012b\)](#), the rate matrix for the last $N - l$
113 taxa is $\mathbf{I}^{\otimes N-l}$; that is, the last $N - l$ taxa are not evolving. Note that since the first l taxa
114 are diverging independently from the last $N - l$ taxa, the rate matrix for all N taxa is the

115 Kronecker product of the rate matrix for the first l taxa and the rate matrix for the last $N-l$
 116 taxa. Then it follows directly from 1) that the rate matrix has elements

$$\left[\mathbf{Q}^{[l]} \otimes \mathbf{I}^{\otimes N-l} \right]_{ij} = \begin{cases} \alpha & \text{if } \prod_{a=1}^l i_a = 1, \prod_{a=1}^l j_a = 0 \\ & \text{and } i_a = j_a \text{ for all } a \in \{l+1, l+2, \dots, N\}, \\ \beta & \text{if } \prod_{a=1}^l (1 - i_a) = 1, \prod_{a=1}^l (1 - j_a) = 0 \\ & \text{and } i_a = j_a \text{ for all } a \in \{l+1, l+2, \dots, N\}, \\ 0 & \text{otherwise if } i \neq j, \\ * & \text{if } i = j. \end{cases}$$

117 3) Consider a permutation of leaf taxon X . This is an element of the symmetric group
 118 \mathfrak{S}_N on X . An arbitrary such permutation corresponds to an arbitrary re-order of the leaf
 119 taxa. We allow the permutation to act on $V^{\otimes N}$ (the tensor product space of [Sumner et al. \(2012b\)](#)).
 120 For some arbitrary convergence-divergence group $C_r \in \mathcal{C}$ involving l taxa, there
 121 exists a permutation $\sigma \in \mathfrak{S}_N$ such that $\sigma \left(\mathbf{Q}^{[l]} \otimes \mathbf{I}^{\otimes N-l} \right) = \mathbf{Q}^{[C_r]}$, where $\mathbf{Q}^{[C_r]}$ is the
 122 rate matrix for the convergence-divergence group C_r and all other leaf taxa belonging to no
 123 convergence-divergence group. Then by [Sumner et al. \(2012b\)](#),

$$\mathbf{Q}^{[C_r]} = \alpha \mathfrak{L}_\alpha^{[C_r]} + \beta \mathfrak{L}_\beta^{[C_r]},$$

124 which is obtained from $\mathbf{Q}^{[l]} \otimes \mathbf{I}^{\otimes N-l}$ by the permutation σ on the slots of the Kronecker
 125 products of each term of $\mathfrak{L}_\alpha^{[l]} \otimes \mathbf{I}^{\otimes N-l}$ and $\mathfrak{L}_\beta^{[l]} \otimes \mathbf{I}^{\otimes N-l}$.

126 Then it follows directly from 2) that

$$\left[\mathbf{Q}^{[C_r]} \right]_{ij} = \begin{cases} \alpha & \text{if } \prod_{a \in C_r} i_a = 1, \prod_{a \in C_r} j_a = 0 \\ & \text{and } i_a = j_a \text{ for all } a \in [N] \setminus C_r, \\ \beta & \text{if } \prod_{a \in C_r} (1 - i_a) = 1, \prod_{a \in C_r} (1 - j_a) = 0 \\ & \text{and } i_a = j_a \text{ for all } a \in [N] \setminus C_r, \\ 0 & \text{otherwise if } i \neq j, \\ * & \text{if } i = j. \end{cases}$$

127 4) Now suppose the substitution rates for convergence-divergence group C_r are $\alpha_r, \beta_r > 0$.

128 Then since $\mathbf{Q}^{[\mathcal{C}]} = \sum_{C_r \in \mathcal{C}} \mathbf{Q}^{[C_r]}$, it follows directly from 3) that

$$\left[\mathbf{Q}^{[\mathcal{C}]} \right]_{ij} = \begin{cases} \alpha_r & \text{if for some } C_r \in \mathcal{C}, \prod_{a \in C_r} i_a = 1, \prod_{a \in C_r} j_a = 0 \\ & \text{and } i_a = j_a \text{ for all } a \in [N] \setminus C_r, \\ \beta_r & \text{if for some } C_r \in \mathcal{C}, \prod_{a \in C_r} (1 - i_a) = 1, \prod_{a \in C_r} (1 - j_a) = 0 \\ & \text{and } i_a = j_a \text{ for all } a \in [N] \setminus C_r, \\ 0 & \text{otherwise if } i \neq j, \\ * & \text{if } i = j. \end{cases}$$

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130 2A.2 Proof of Theorem 2

131 For the proof, we assume the phylogenetic tensor at the beginning of the tip epoch
 132 takes an arbitrary form. We then consider the effect of convergence-divergence groups
 133 in the tip epoch on the phylogenetic tensor. As in the proof of Proposition 2A.1,
 134 the proof is split into several parts. 1) We assume \mathcal{N} has N taxa, but \mathcal{C} has only
 135 one convergence-divergence group C_a involving the first l taxa in the tip epoch.
 136 We determine the elements of the transition matrix $\mathbf{M}^{[C_a]} = \exp(\mathbf{Q}^{[l]} t) \otimes \mathbf{I}^{N-l}$.
 137 2) We determine the phylogenetic tensor in the limit as the epoch time of the
 138 tip epoch diverges. 3) We assume \mathcal{C} has $k \geq 1$ convergence-divergence groups,
 139 $\mathcal{C} = \{C_1, C_2, \dots, C_k\}$, and determine the phylogenetic tensor in the limit as the epoch
 140 time of the tip epoch diverges.

141 **Theorem 2** Suppose an arbitrary epoch of CDM \mathcal{N} corresponds to set of sets of taxa in
 142 each convergence-divergence group $\mathcal{C} = \{C_1, C_2, \dots, C_k\}$. Then if $a, b \in C_i$, as tip epoch length
 143 $t \rightarrow \infty$, a and b become identical.

144 *Proof* 1) As in the proof of Proposition 2A.1, assume that the convergence-divergence
 145 group C_a involves the first l taxa. We assume \mathcal{N} has N taxa, unlike in 1) of the proof of
 146 Proposition 2A.1. Suppose \mathbf{P}' is the phylogenetic tensor representing the probabilities of
 147 combinations of states immediately before the tip epoch. Then let

$$\tilde{\mathbf{P}} = \exp\left(\mathbf{Q}^{[C_a]}t\right) \cdot \mathbf{P}',$$

148 where

$$\mathbf{Q}^{[C_a]} = \mathbf{Q}^{[l]} \otimes \mathbf{I}^{N-l}.$$

149 To find an expression for $\exp\left(\mathbf{Q}^{[C_a]}t\right)$, we use the Taylor series,

$$\begin{aligned} \exp\left(\mathbf{Q}^{[C_a]}t\right) &= \exp\left(\left(\mathbf{Q}^{[l]} \otimes \mathbf{I}^{N-l}\right)t\right) \\ &= \mathbf{I}^{\otimes N} + \left(\mathbf{Q}^{[l]} \otimes \mathbf{I}^{N-l}\right)t + \frac{1}{2!} \left(\left(\mathbf{Q}^{[l]} \otimes \mathbf{I}^{N-l}\right)t\right)^2 + \dots \\ &= \mathbf{I}^{\otimes N} + \left(\mathbf{Q}^{[l]} \otimes \mathbf{I}^{N-l}\right)t + \frac{t^2}{2!} \left(\mathbf{Q}^{[l]} \otimes \mathbf{I}^{N-l}\right) \cdot \left(\mathbf{Q}^{[l]} \otimes \mathbf{I}^{N-l}\right) + \dots \\ &= \mathbf{I}^{\otimes N} + \left(\mathbf{Q}^{[l]} \otimes \mathbf{I}^{N-l}\right)t + \frac{t^2}{2!} \left(\mathbf{Q}^{[l]} \cdot \mathbf{Q}^{[l]}\right) \otimes \left(\mathbf{I}^{N-l} \cdot \mathbf{I}^{N-l}\right) + \dots \\ &= \mathbf{I}^{\otimes N} + \left(\mathbf{Q}^{[l]} \otimes \mathbf{I}^{N-l}\right)t + \frac{t^2}{2!} \left(\mathbf{Q}^{[l]}\right)^2 \otimes \mathbf{I}^{N-l} + \dots \\ &= \left(\mathbf{I}^{\otimes l} + \mathbf{Q}^{[l]}t + \frac{t^2}{2!} \left(\mathbf{Q}^{[l]}\right)^2 + \dots\right) \otimes \mathbf{I}^{N-l} \\ &= \exp\left(\mathbf{Q}^{[l]}t\right) \otimes \mathbf{I}^{N-l}. \end{aligned}$$

150 Then

$$\tilde{\mathbf{P}} = \left(\exp\left(\mathbf{Q}^{[l]}t\right) \otimes \mathbf{I}^{N-l}\right) \cdot \mathbf{P}'.$$

151 Now focusing on $\exp\left(\mathbf{Q}^{[l]}t\right)$, again using a Taylor series,

$$\exp\left(\mathbf{Q}^{[l]}t\right) = \mathbf{I}^{\otimes l} + \mathbf{Q}^{[l]}t + \frac{1}{2!} \left(\mathbf{Q}^{[l]}\right)^2 t^2 + \dots$$

152 Focusing on $\left(\mathbf{Q}^{[l]}\right)^2$,

$$\begin{aligned} \left(\mathbf{Q}^{[l]}\right)^2 &= \left(\alpha \mathfrak{L}_\alpha^{[l]} + \beta \mathfrak{L}_\beta^{[l]}\right) \cdot \left(\alpha \mathfrak{L}_\alpha^{[l]} + \beta \mathfrak{L}_\beta^{[l]}\right) \\ &= \alpha^2 \left(\mathfrak{L}_\alpha^{[l]}\right)^2 + \alpha\beta \left(\mathfrak{L}_\alpha^{[l]} \mathfrak{L}_\beta^{[l]} + \mathfrak{L}_\beta^{[l]} \mathfrak{L}_\alpha^{[l]}\right) + \beta^2 \left(\mathfrak{L}_\beta^{[l]}\right)^2, \end{aligned}$$

153 where $\alpha, \beta > 0$.

154 From [Sumner et al. \(2012b\)](#),

$$\left(\mathfrak{L}_\alpha^{[l]}\right)^2 = -\mathfrak{L}_\alpha^{[l]}, \quad \mathfrak{L}_\alpha^{[l]}\mathfrak{L}_\beta^{[l]} = -\mathfrak{L}_\beta^{[l]}, \quad \mathfrak{L}_\beta^{[l]}\mathfrak{L}_\alpha^{[l]} = -\mathfrak{L}_\alpha^{[l]}, \quad \left(\mathfrak{L}_\beta^{[l]}\right)^2 = -\mathfrak{L}_\beta^{[l]}.$$

155 Then

$$\begin{aligned} \left(\mathbf{Q}^{[l]}\right)^2 &= -\alpha^2 \mathfrak{L}_\alpha^{[l]} - \alpha\beta \left(\mathfrak{L}_\alpha^{[l]} + \mathfrak{L}_\beta^{[l]}\right) - \beta^2 \mathfrak{L}_\beta^{[l]} \\ &= -(\alpha + \beta) \left(\alpha \mathfrak{L}_\alpha^{[l]} + \beta \mathfrak{L}_\beta^{[l]}\right) \\ &= -(\alpha + \beta) \mathbf{Q}^{[l]}. \end{aligned}$$

156 It follows that

$$\left(\mathbf{Q}^{[l]}\right)^u = (-1)^{u-1} (\alpha + \beta) \mathbf{Q}^{[l]}$$

157 for any positive integer $u \geq 2$.

158 Returning to the Taylor series,

$$\begin{aligned} \exp\left(\mathbf{Q}^{[l]}t\right) &= \mathbf{I}^{\otimes l} + \mathbf{Q}^{[l]}t - \frac{1}{2!}(\alpha + \beta) \mathbf{Q}^{[l]}t^2 + \dots \\ &= \mathbf{I}^{\otimes l} + \left(t - \frac{(\alpha + \beta)t^2}{2} + \dots\right) \mathbf{Q}^{[l]} \\ &= \mathbf{I}^{\otimes l} + \frac{1}{\alpha + \beta} \left((\alpha + \beta)t - \frac{(\alpha + \beta)^2 t^2}{2} + \dots\right) \mathbf{Q}^{[l]} \\ &= \mathbf{I}^{\otimes l} - \frac{1}{\alpha + \beta} \left(-(\alpha + \beta)t + \frac{(\alpha + \beta)^2 t^2}{2} - \dots\right) \mathbf{Q}^{[l]} \\ &= \mathbf{I}^{\otimes l} - \frac{1}{\alpha + \beta} \left(1 - (\alpha + \beta)t + \frac{(\alpha + \beta)^2 t^2}{2} - \dots\right) \mathbf{Q}^{[l]} + \frac{1}{\alpha + \beta} \mathbf{Q}^{[l]} \\ &= \mathbf{I}^{\otimes l} + \frac{1}{\alpha + \beta} (1 - \exp(-(\alpha + \beta)t)) \mathbf{Q}^{[l]}. \end{aligned}$$

159 Now recall from the proof of [Proposition 2A.1](#) that

$$\left[\mathbf{Q}^{[l]}\right]_{ij} = \begin{cases} \alpha & \text{if } \prod_{a=1}^l i_a = 1 \text{ and } \prod_{a=1}^l j_a = 0, \\ \beta & \text{if } \prod_{a=1}^l (1 - i_a) = 1 \text{ and } \prod_{a=1}^l (1 - j_a) = 0, \\ 0 & \text{otherwise if } i \neq j, \\ * & \text{otherwise if } i = j. \end{cases}$$

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Thus, for columns to sum to zero,

$$\left[\mathbf{Q}^{[l]} \right]_{ij} = \begin{cases} \alpha & \text{if } \prod_{a=1}^l i_a = 1 \text{ and } \prod_{a=1}^l j_a = 0, \\ \beta & \text{if } \prod_{a=1}^l (1 - i_a) = 1 \text{ and } \prod_{a=1}^l (1 - j_a) = 0, \\ 0 & \text{otherwise if } i \neq j, \\ -\alpha & \text{if } \prod_{a=1}^l (1 - i_a) = \prod_{a=1}^l (1 - j_a) = 1, \\ -\beta & \text{if } \prod_{a=1}^l i_a = \prod_{a=1}^l j_a = 1, \\ -(\alpha + \beta) & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

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Letting $\mathbf{M}^{[l]} = \exp(\mathbf{Q}^{[l]}t)$,

$$\left[\mathbf{M}^{[l]} \right]_{ij} = \begin{cases} \frac{\alpha}{\alpha + \beta} (1 - \exp(-(\alpha + \beta)t)) & \text{if } \prod_{a=1}^l i_a = 1 \text{ and } \prod_{a=1}^l j_a = 0, \\ \frac{\beta}{\alpha + \beta} (1 - \exp(-(\alpha + \beta)t)) & \text{if } \prod_{a=1}^l (1 - i_a) = 1 \text{ and } \prod_{a=1}^l (1 - j_a) = 0, \\ 0 & \text{otherwise if } i \neq j, \\ 1 - \frac{\alpha}{\alpha + \beta} (1 - \exp(-(\alpha + \beta)t)) & \text{if } \prod_{a=1}^l (1 - i_a) = \prod_{a=1}^l (1 - j_a) = 1, \\ 1 - \frac{\beta}{\alpha + \beta} (1 - \exp(-(\alpha + \beta)t)) & \text{if } \prod_{a=1}^l i_a = \prod_{a=1}^l j_a = 1, \\ \exp(-(\alpha + \beta)t) & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

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Next, take the limit as $t \rightarrow \infty$. Then

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \left[\mathbf{M}^{[l]} \right]_{ij} = \begin{cases} \frac{\alpha}{\alpha + \beta} & \text{if } \prod_{a=1}^l i_a = 1, \\ \frac{\beta}{\alpha + \beta} & \text{if } \prod_{a=1}^l (1 - i_a) = 1, \\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

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Now let $\mathbf{M}^{[C_a]} = \exp(\mathbf{Q}^{[l]}t) \otimes \mathbf{I}^{N-l}$. Then

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} [\mathbf{M}^{[C_a]}]_{ij} = \begin{cases} \frac{\alpha}{\alpha+\beta} & \text{if } \prod_{a=1}^l i_a = 1 \\ & \text{and } i_a = j_a \text{ for all } a \in \{l+1, l+2, \dots, N\}, \\ \frac{\beta}{\alpha+\beta} & \text{if } \prod_{a=1}^l (1 - i_a) = 1 \\ & \text{and } i_a = j_a \text{ for all } a \in \{l+1, l+2, \dots, N\}, \\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

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In summary, in the limit, the only rows of $\mathbf{M}^{[C_a]}$ with non-zero elements have the first l indices being either all 0 or all 1. Then in the limit, the only non-zero elements of $\tilde{\mathbf{P}}$ also have the first l indices being either all 0 or all 1.

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2) We let the substitution rates for convergence group C_k be $\alpha_k, \beta_k > 0$ and recognize that since $\frac{\alpha_k}{\beta_k} = \frac{\alpha}{\beta}$, then $\frac{\alpha_k}{\alpha_k + \beta_k} = \frac{\alpha}{\alpha + \beta}$ and $\frac{\beta_k}{\alpha_k + \beta_k} = \frac{\beta}{\alpha + \beta}$. Then using the same arguments as in Proposition 2A.1, $\sigma(\mathbf{M}^{[C_a]}) = \mathbf{M}^{[C_k]}$ and

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} [\mathbf{M}^{[C_k]}]_{ij} = \begin{cases} \frac{\alpha}{\alpha+\beta} & \text{if } \prod_{a \in C_k} i_a = 1 \\ & \text{and } i_a = j_a \text{ for all } a \in [N] \setminus C_k, \\ \frac{\beta}{\alpha+\beta} & \text{if } \prod_{a \in C_k} (1 - i_a) = 1 \\ & \text{and } i_a = j_a \text{ for all } a \in [N] \setminus C_k, \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

170 and

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{j=1}^{2^N} [\mathbf{M}^{[C_k]}]_{ij} [\mathbf{P}']_j = \begin{cases} c_i^{[C_k]} > 0 & \text{if } \prod_{a \in C_k} i_a = 1 \text{ or } \prod_{a \in C_k} (1 - i_a) = 1, \\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

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Note that $c_i^{[C_k]} > 0$ being strictly positive follows from Assumption 11 of Section 3.2.

172 3) \mathcal{N} has a tip epoch with epoch time t and set of convergence groups $\mathcal{C} =$
 173 $\{C_1, C_2, \dots, C_k\}$. Then the phylogenetic tensor \mathbf{P} representing the probabilities of combina-
 174 tions of states at the leaves of the principal tree can be expressed as

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbf{P} &= \exp\left(\mathbf{Q}^{[\mathcal{C}]}_t\right) \cdot \mathbf{P}' \\ &= \prod_{r=1}^k \mathbf{M}^{[C_r]} \cdot \mathbf{P}'.\end{aligned}$$

175 We prove that all elements of \mathbf{P} converge to 0 except those where, for each $C_r \in \mathcal{C}$, all
 176 taxa in C_r are in the same state.

177 In the limit as the epoch time of the tip epoch diverges, the phylogenetic tensor is

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \mathbf{P} = \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \prod_{r=1}^k \mathbf{M}^{[C_r]} \cdot \mathbf{P}' = \prod_{r=1}^k \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \mathbf{M}^{[C_r]} \cdot \mathbf{P}'.$$

178 We prove that

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} [\mathbf{P}]_i = \begin{cases} c_i^{[\mathcal{C}]} > 0 & \text{if for all } C_r \in \mathcal{C}, \prod_{a \in C_r} i_a = 1 \text{ or } \prod_{a \in C_r} (1 - i_a) = 1, \\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

179 We prove this claim by induction on the k convergence groups. Note that in 2)
 180 we have already proven the claim for the first convergence-divergence group C_k applied
 181 to \mathbf{P}' . Thus, all that remains it to prove that given the claim is true for $\mathbf{P}^{k-v+2} =$
 182 $\mathbf{M}^{[C_v]} \dots \mathbf{M}^{[C_{v+1}]} \dots \mathbf{M}^{[C_k]} \cdot \mathbf{P}'$ for some $v \in \{2, \dots, k\}$, it must be true for $\mathbf{P}^{k-v+3} =$
 183 $\mathbf{M}^{[C_{v-1}]} \dots \mathbf{M}^{[C_v]} \dots \mathbf{M}^{[C_k]} \cdot \mathbf{P}'$.

184 We assume that

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} [\mathbf{P}^{k-v+2}]_i = \begin{cases} c_i^{[\cup_{r=v}^k C_r]} > 0 & \text{if for all } r \in \{v, v+1, \dots, k\}, \prod_{a \in C_r} i_a = 1 \\ & \text{or } \prod_{a \in C_r} (1 - i_a) = 1, \\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

185 Then in the limit as $t \rightarrow \infty$, all elements of \mathbf{P}^{k-v+2} are 0 except those where for all
 186 $C_r \in \mathcal{C}$, $r \in \{v, v+1, \dots, k\}$, all taxa in C_r are in the same state.

187 For $[\mathbf{P}^{k-v+3}]_i$ to be non-zero, there must exist some index s , such that

$$[\mathbf{M}^{[C_{v-1}]}]_{is} > 0 \tag{1A}$$

188 and

$$\left[\mathbf{P}^{k-v+2} \right]_s > 0. \quad (2A)$$

189 For Equation (1A) to be true,

$$\begin{cases} \prod_{a \in C_{v-1}} i_a = 1 \text{ or } \prod_{a \in C_{v-1}} (1 - i_a) = 1, \\ i_a = s_a \text{ for all } a \in [N] \setminus C_{v-1}. \end{cases} \quad (3A)$$

190 For Equation (2A) to be true, by assumption,

$$\text{for all } r \in \{v, v+1, \dots, k\}, \quad \prod_{a \in C_r} s_a = 1 \text{ or } \prod_{a \in C_r} (1 - s_a) = 1. \quad (4A)$$

191 Combining Constraints (3A) and Constraints (4A),

$$\begin{cases} \prod_{a \in C_{v-1}} i_a = 1 \text{ or } \prod_{a \in C_{v-1}} (1 - i_a) = 1, \\ \text{for all } r \in \{v, v+1, \dots, k\}, \prod_{a \in C_r} i_a = 1 \text{ or } \prod_{a \in C_r} (1 - i_a) = 1. \end{cases} \quad (5A)$$

192 Constraint (5A) can be simplified to

$$\text{for all } r \in \{v-1, v, \dots, k\}, \quad \prod_{a \in C_r} i_a = 1 \text{ or } \prod_{a \in C_r} (1 - i_a) = 1.$$

193 In summary,

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} [\mathbf{P}]_i = \begin{cases} c_i^{[\cup_{r=1}^k C_r]} > 0 & \text{if for all } r \in \{1, 2, \dots, k\}, \\ & \prod_{a \in C_r} i_a = 1 \text{ or } \prod_{a \in C_r} (1 - i_a) = 1, \\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

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195 3A Identifiability of 4-taxon CDMs

196 Sumner et al. (2012b) formally describe phylogenetic epoch models in their Defini-
 197 tion 6.1 and introduce notation to compute the phylogenetic tensors. We use the same
 198 notation for our CDMs.

199 For each 4-taxon CDM, the phylogenetic tensor \boldsymbol{P} is transformed into the
 200 Hadamard basis $\hat{\boldsymbol{P}}$ by multiplying by $\boldsymbol{H}_{16} = \boldsymbol{H}_2^{\otimes 4}$, where

$$\boldsymbol{H}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

In the Hadamard basis, the phylogenetic tensor for CDM 5 is

$$\begin{aligned}
 \hat{\mathbf{P}} = \mathbf{H}_{16} \cdot \mathbf{P} = & \begin{bmatrix} q_{0000} \\ q_{0001} \\ q_{0010} \\ q_{0011} \\ q_{0100} \\ q_{0101} \\ q_{0110} \\ q_{0111} \\ q_{1000} \\ q_{1001} \\ q_{1010} \\ q_{1011} \\ q_{1100} \\ q_{1101} \\ q_{1110} \\ q_{1111} \end{bmatrix} \\
 = & \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ \gamma \\ \gamma \\ \gamma^2 + (1 - \gamma^2) r_{0011} \\ \gamma \\ \gamma^2 + (1 - \gamma^2) r_{0101} \\ \gamma^2 + (1 - \gamma^2) r_{0110} \\ \gamma (\gamma^2 + (1 - \gamma^2) (r_{0011} + r_{0101} + r_{0110} - 2r_{0111})) \\ \gamma \\ \gamma^2 + (1 - \gamma^2) r_{1001} \\ \gamma^2 + (1 - \gamma^2) r_{1010} \\ \gamma (\gamma^2 + (1 - \gamma^2) (r_{0011} + r_{1001} + r_{1010} - 2r_{1011})) \\ \gamma^2 + (1 - \gamma^2) r_{1100} \\ \gamma (\gamma^2 + (1 - \gamma^2) (r_{0101} + r_{1001} + r_{1100} - 2r_{1101})) \\ \gamma (\gamma^2 + (1 - \gamma^2) (r_{0110} + r_{1010} + r_{1100} - 2r_{1110})) \\ \gamma^2 (\gamma^2 + (1 - \gamma^2) (r_{0011} + r_{0101} + r_{0110} + r_{1001} + r_{1010} + r_{1100} \\ - 2(r_{0111} + r_{1011} + r_{1101} + r_{1110} - 2\delta))) + (1 - \gamma^2)^2 r_{1111} \end{bmatrix}.
 \end{aligned} \tag{6A}$$

See Mathematica file S2.nb (text version S3.txt) on <https://github.com/jonathanmitchell88/CDMsSI> for a derivation of Equation (6A) and equations for r_{0011} , r_{0101} , \dots , r_{1111} and δ in terms of x_i and y_i for CDM 5. CDMs 1 – 4 are all nested in CDM 5. Thus, their phylogenetic tensors are also in the form of Equation (6A). However, the equations for r_{0011} , r_{0101} , \dots , r_{1111} and δ involve different expressions of x_i and y_i .

For the proof that follows, the order of parameters is as in Figure 3, with $x_i = \exp(-(a_i + b_i)) \in (0, 1)$ for all $i \in \{1, 2, \dots, 11\}$. Note again that the exact location of the root on the outgroup edge is not identifiable; t_1 corresponds to the sum of epoch times of epochs from the root to the outgroup added to the first epoch time below the root.

To establish whether a CDM is identifiable or not, we must first determine a maximal set of independent elements of the transformed phylogenetic tensor. That is, a set with maximum cardinality such that there are no algebraic equations — equalities — involving multiple elements of the set. If the cardinality of the set equals the number of parameters, then the CDM is identifiable. For example, we can see that invariants $q_{0001} = q_{0010} = q_{0100} = q_{1000} = \gamma$ are equalities on all CDMs. Thus, we can only include one of q_{0001} , q_{0010} , q_{0100} and q_{1000} in the set.

To determine all such equalities, for a given CDM with $l + 1$ parameters $x_1, x_2, \dots, x_l, \gamma$, we construct the ideal,

$$\begin{aligned} I = & \langle r_{0011} - f_{0011}(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_l), r_{0101} - f_{0101}(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_l), \dots, \\ & r_{1111} - f_{1111}(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_l), \delta - f_\delta(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_l) \rangle \\ \subseteq & \mathbb{Q}[x_1, x_2, \dots, x_l, r_{0011}, r_{0101}, \dots, r_{1111}, \delta], \end{aligned}$$

where each $r_{ijkl} - f_{ijkl}(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_l)$ and $\delta - f_\delta(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_l)$ is identically zero.

(We can ignore γ since $q_{ijkl} = \gamma^2 + (1 - \gamma^2)r_{ijkl}$ and including any of these invariants

224 does not help us to determine any invariants involving multiple variables $r_{0011}, r_{0101},$
 225 $\dots, r_{1111}, \delta.$)

226 In the Macaulay2 file S4.m2 (output file S5.txt) on [https://github.com/](https://github.com/jonathanmitchell88/CDMsSI)
 227 [jonathanmitchell88/CDMsSI](https://github.com/jonathanmitchell88/CDMsSI) we derive the (reduced) Gröbner basis for this ideal for
 228 a particular monomial order for CDM 5. Below we outline how this Gröbner basis is
 229 computed.

230 In the Mathematica file S2.nb (text version S3.txt) we derive the following
 231 equations to input into the generators of the ideal:

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} f_{0011} = x_4 x_5 x_6 x_7 x_9 x_{10}, \\ f_{0101} = x_{10} x_{11} (1 - x_9 (1 - x_2 x_3 x_4 x_6 x_8)), \\ f_{0110} = x_7 x_8 x_9 x_{11} (1 - x_6 (1 - x_2 x_3 x_5)), \\ f_{0111} = x_2 x_3 x_4 x_5 x_6 x_7 x_8 x_9 x_{10} x_{11}, \\ f_{1001} = x_1 x_2 x_4 x_9 x_{10}, \\ f_{1010} = x_1 x_2 x_5 x_6 x_7, \\ f_{1011} = x_1 x_2 x_4 x_5 x_6 x_7 x_9 x_{10}, \\ f_{1100} = x_1 x_3 x_6 x_8 x_9 x_{11}, \\ f_{1101} = x_1 x_2 x_3 x_4 x_6 x_8 x_9 x_{10} x_{11}, \\ f_{1110} = x_1 x_2 x_3 x_5 x_6 x_7 x_8 x_9 x_{11}, \\ f_{1111} = x_1 x_7 x_{10} x_{11} (x_4 x_8 x_9 (x_2 (1 - x_6) + x_3 x_5 x_6) + x_2 x_5 x_6 (1 - x_9)), \\ f_{\delta} = x_1 x_2 x_3 x_4 x_5 x_6 x_7 x_8 x_9 x_{10} x_{11}. \end{array} \right. \quad (7A)$$

232 The functions $f_{0011} = f_{0011}(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_l)$, $f_{0101} = f_{0101}(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_l)$, \dots ,
 233 $f_{1111} = f_{1111}(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_l)$ and $f_{\delta} = f_{\delta}(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_l)$ depend on the CDM in
 234 question, for example, CDM 5.

235 The monomial order is the elimination order, eliminating the block x_1, x_2, \dots, x_l ,
 236 with graded reverse lexicographic order on each block, $x_1 > x_2 > \dots > x_l$ and
 237 $r_{0011} > r_{0101} > \dots > r_{1111} > \delta$.

238 Next, we compute the (reduced) Gröbner basis I_G of I . Then $I_{G,q} = I_G \cap$
 239 $\mathbb{R}[r_{0011}, r_{0101}, \dots, r_{1111}, \delta]$ is a Gröbner basis for the elimination ideal involving only
 240 $r_{0011}, r_{0101}, \dots, r_{1111}, \delta$.

241 Note that q_{1111} is a function of both r_{1111} and δ , the only element of \hat{P} that is
 242 a function of either. Thus, the maximum cardinality set can include at most one of
 243 r_{1111} and δ . In S4.m2 we find that when eliminating r_{1111} there are no generators
 244 that involve δ . Thus, r_{1111} is eliminated and δ is another independent variable of the
 245 system when r_{1111} is eliminated.

246 Note that there are still some algebraic equations — equalities — involving some
 247 elements of $\{r_{0011}, r_{0101}, \dots, r_{1110}, \delta\}$. In S4.m2 (output file S5.txt) we find the largest
 248 cardinality subset with no algebraic equations involving multiple elements. This car-
 249 dinality, plus one for γ , is the degrees of freedom of the phylogenetic tensor. Given a
 250 set of parameters of the CDM, if this degrees of freedom is less than the number of
 251 parameters, then the system of polynomial equations is underdetermined and that set
 252 of parameters is not identifiable. (Note that some individual parameters may still be
 253 indetifiable.) Otherwise, the set of parameters is identifiable. If that set of parame-
 254 ters is not identifiable, it may be possible to combine the parameters in a such a way
 255 that the new set of parameters is identifiable.

256 3A.1 Proof of Proposition 3

257 See S4.m2 (output file S5.txt) and S6.m2 (output file S7.txt) on [https://github.com/](https://github.com/jonathanmitchell88/CDMsSI)
 258 [jonathanmitchell88/CDMsSI](https://github.com/jonathanmitchell88/CDMsSI) for the computations of the (reduced) Gröbner bases of
 259 the ideals in this proof.

260 **Proposition 3** *The parameter set for CDM 5 is identifiable.*

261 *Proof* In S4.m2 (output file S5.txt), we see that there are 9 elements of
 262 $\{r_{0011}, r_{0101}, \dots, r_{1110}, \delta\}$ that are free to vary. However, CDM 5 has 11 parameters exclud-
 263 ing γ . Thus, this set of parameters is not identifiable. However, recall in Section 1A that
 264 taking some products of x_i parameters may be required to obtain a set of identifiable
 265 parameters. Since there are 9 elements of $\{r_{0011}, r_{0101}, \dots, r_{1110}, \delta\}$ that are free to vary, we
 266 desire a set of 9 parameters.

267 In S2.nb (text version S3.txt), we express $f_{0011}, f_{0101}, \dots, f_{1111}, \delta$ in terms of the set of
 268 parameters $\{y_1, y_2, y_3, y_4, y_5, y_6, y_7, y_8, y_9\}$. Precisely,

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} y_1 = x_1, \\ y_2 = x_2, \\ y_3 = x_3 x_8 x_{11}, \\ y_4 = x_4 x_{10}, \\ y_5 = x_5 x_7, \\ y_6 = x_6, \\ y_7 = x_7 x_8 x_{11}, \\ y_8 = x_9, \\ y_9 = x_{10} x_{11}. \end{array} \right.$$

269 In S6.m2 (output file S7.txt), we see that this set of parameters is identifiable. We note
 270 that $x_i \in (0, 1)$ for all $i \in \{1, 2, \dots, 11\}$. It follows that $r_{0011}, r_{0101}, \dots, r_{1111}, \delta \in (0, 1)$ and
 271 $y_i \in (0, 1)$ for all $i \in \{1, 2, \dots, 9\}$. In S2.nb (text version S3.txt), we see that the solutions to

the system are

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} y_1 = \frac{\delta}{r_{0111}}, \\ y_2 = \frac{r_{0111}\sqrt{r_{1001}r_{1010}}}{\delta\sqrt{r_{0011}}}, \\ y_3 = \frac{\delta}{\sqrt{r_{0011}r_{1001}r_{1010}}}, \\ y_4 = \frac{r_{1101}\delta\sqrt{r_{0011}}}{r_{0111}r_{1100}\sqrt{r_{1001}r_{1010}}}, \\ y_5 = \frac{\delta}{r_{1101}}, \\ y_6 = \frac{r_{1101}\sqrt{r_{0011}r_{1010}}}{\delta\sqrt{r_{1001}}}, \\ y_7 = \frac{\delta(r_{0110}r_{1101}\delta\sqrt{r_{0011}} - r_{0111}^2r_{1100}\sqrt{r_{1001}r_{1010}})}{r_{0111}r_{1100}\sqrt{r_{0011}r_{1001}}(\delta\sqrt{r_{1001}} - r_{1101}\sqrt{r_{0011}r_{1010}})}, \\ y_8 = \frac{r_{0111}r_{1001}r_{1100}}{r_{1101}\delta}, \\ y_9 = \frac{r_{1101}(r_{0101}\delta - r_{0111}r_{1101})}{r_{1101}\delta - r_{0111}r_{1001}r_{1100}}. \end{array} \right. \quad (8A)$$

Thus, the parameter set $\{y_1, y_2, y_3, y_4, y_5, y_6, y_7, y_8, y_9, \gamma\}$ on CDM 5 is identifiable.

□

Since CDMs 1 – 4 are all nested in CDM 5, the transformed phylogenetic tensors of CDMs 1 – 4 can be determined directly from that of CDM 5 by setting some parameters x_i to 1. Similarly, it is straightforward to prove that the equivalent sets of y_i parameters are identifiable for each of CDMs 1 – 4. The numbers of degrees of freedom for the phylogenetic tensors of CDMs 1 – 5 are 6, 7, 8, 9 and 10, respectively.

4A Proof of Theorem 5

For a robust proof, we could consider the (reduced) Gröbner bases of the ideals representing the parameter spaces of the CDMs and show that each CDM has a unique Gröbner basis. The Gröbner basis for CDM 5 has already been computed in Section 3A. However, computation of the Gröbner bases is slow and some bases contain many generators. Instead, it is sufficient to consider only a few constraints for each parameter space that exist for some CDMs and not others, greatly simplifying the proof.

287 **Theorem 5** *All pairs of 4-taxon leaf-labeled CDMs of Section 5.2 are distinguishable.*

288 *Proof* By Proposition 4, if two CDMs have parameter spaces with different dimensions, then
289 they are distinguishable from each other. CDMs 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5 have parameter space
290 dimensions 6, 7, 8, 9 and 10 respectively, corresponding to the numbers of free parameters.

291 All that is left to prove is that any two CDMs that differ only in their leaf labelings are
292 distinguishable. The notation that follows is consistent with that of Section 3A. Recall that
293 $y_i \in (0, 1)$ for all $i \in \{1, 2, \dots, 9\}$.

294 CDM 5

295 See S8.nb (text version S9.txt) on <https://github.com/jonathanmitchell88/CDMsSI> for
296 proofs of the following claims.

297 For leaf labelings $(o, (a, (b, c)))$ and $(o, (a, (c, b)))$,

$$r_{0011}r_{1001}r_{1010} - r_{1011}^2 = 0,$$

298 while for the other leaf labelings

$$r_{0011}r_{1001}r_{1010} - r_{1011}^2 > 0.$$

299 Thus, we need only show that CDMs with leaf labelings $(o, (a, (b, c)))$ and $(o, (a, (c, b)))$
300 are distinguishable. To do this, we show that the intersection of the parameter spaces of
301 the two CDMs is the empty set. Letting y_i be the parameters corresponding to leaf labeling
302 $(o, (a, (b, c)))$ and z_i corresponding to $(o, (a, (c, b)))$, we equate the equations for each element

303 of the two phylogenetic tensors and solve for the z_i parameters,

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} y_4 y_5 y_6 y_8 = z_4 z_5 z_6 z_8, \\ y_9 (1 - y_8) + y_2 y_3 y_4 y_6 y_8 = z_8 (z_7 (1 - z_6) + z_2 z_3 z_5 z_6), \\ y_8 (y_7 (1 - y_6) + y_2 y_3 y_5 y_6) = z_9 (1 - z_8) + z_2 z_3 z_4 z_6 z_8, \\ y_2 y_3 y_4 y_5 y_6 y_8 = z_2 z_3 z_4 z_5 z_6 z_8, \\ y_1 y_2 y_4 y_8 = z_1 z_2 z_5 z_6, \\ y_1 y_2 y_5 y_6 = z_1 z_2 z_4 z_8, \\ y_1 y_2 y_4 y_5 y_6 y_8 = z_1 z_2 z_4 z_5 z_6 z_8, \\ y_1 y_3 y_6 y_8 = z_1 z_3 z_6 z_8, \\ y_1 y_2 y_3 y_4 y_6 y_8 = z_1 z_2 z_3 z_5 z_6 z_8, \\ y_1 y_2 y_3 y_5 y_6 y_8 = z_1 z_2 z_3 z_4 z_6 z_8, \\ y_1 (y_4 y_8 (y_2 y_7 (1 - y_6) + y_3 y_5 y_6) \\ \quad + y_2 y_5 y_6 y_9 (1 - y_8)) = z_1 (z_4 z_8 (z_2 z_7 (1 - z_6) + z_3 z_5 z_6) \\ \quad + z_2 z_5 z_6 z_9 (1 - z_8)). \\ y_1 y_2 y_3 y_4 y_5 y_6 y_8 = z_1 z_2 z_3 z_4 z_5 z_6 z_8. \end{array} \right.$$

304 Solving this system of equations — see S10.m2 (output file S11.txt) and the expressions
 305 simplified in S8.nb (text version S9.txt) on <https://github.com/jonathanmitchell88/CDMsSI>
 306 — we obtain

$$z_1 z_2^2 z_3 z_4 z_6 z_8 (1 - z_6) (1 - z_8) (z_4 z_7 z_8 - z_5 z_9) = 0,$$

307 which has no solutions since $z_i \in (0, 1)$ for all $i \in \{1, 2, \dots, 8\}$ and the generating parameter
 308 must be a generic point in the parameter space, i.e. $z_4 z_7 z_8 - z_5 z_9 \neq 0$. Thus, for CDM 5,
 309 any two CDMs with different leaf labelings are distinguishable.

310 CDM 4

311 The proof is identical to that of CDM 5, but with the addition of $y_9 = z_9 = 1$. Again, see
 312 S8.nb (text version S9.txt) and S10.m2 (output file S11.txt). We obtain

$$z_1 z_2 z_3 z_4 z_5 z_6 z_8 (1 - z_6) (1 - z_7 z_8) = 0,$$

313 which again has no solutions. Thus, for CDM 4, any two CDMs with different leaf labelings
 314 are distinguishable.

315 CDM 3

316 See S8.nb (text version S9.txt) for proofs of the following claims.

317 For leaf labeling pairs $(o, (a, (b, c)))$ and $(o, (c, (b, a)))$, $(o, (a, (c, b)))$ and $(o, (b, (c, a)))$ and
 318 $(o, (b, (a, c)))$ and $(o, (c, (a, b)))$,

$$\begin{cases} \min(r_{0011}r_{1100}, r_{0101}r_{1010}, r_{0110}r_{1001}) = r_{0101}r_{1010}, \\ \min(r_{0011}r_{1100}, r_{0101}r_{1010}, r_{0110}r_{1001}) = r_{0110}r_{1001}, \\ \min(r_{0011}r_{1100}, r_{0101}r_{1010}, r_{0110}r_{1001}) = r_{0011}r_{1100}, \end{cases}$$

319 respectively, where each equation corresponds to a leaf labeling pair. Thus, any CDM from
 320 one pair is distinguishable from a CDM from another pair.

321 All that is left is to prove that CDMs from an arbitrary pair, for example, $(o, (a, (b, c)))$
 322 and $(o, (c, (b, a)))$, are distinguishable. For leaf labeling $(o, (a, (b, c)))$, but not $(o, (c, (b, a)))$,

$$r_{0011}r_{1001}r_{1010} - r_{1011}^2 = 0.$$

323 For leaf labeling $(o, (c, (b, a)))$, but not $(o, (a, (b, c)))$,

$$r_{0011}r_{1001}r_{1010} - r_{1011}^2 > 0.$$

324 Thus for CDM 3, any two CDMs with different leaf labelings are distinguishable.

325 CDM 2

326 See S8.nb (text version S9.txt) for proofs of the following claims.

327 The constraints for CDM 2 include those described above for CDM 3. Thus for CDM 2,
 328 any two CDMs with different leaf labelings are distinguishable.

329 CDM 1

330 See S8.nb (text version S9.txt) for proofs of the following claims.

331 For leaf labelings $(o, (a, (b, c)))$, $(o, (b, (a, c)))$ and $(o, (c, (a, b)))$,

$$\begin{cases} r_{0101}r_{1010} = r_{0110}r_{1001} < r_{0011}r_{1100}, \\ r_{0011}r_{1100} = r_{0110}r_{1001} < r_{0101}r_{1010}, \\ r_{0011}r_{1100} = r_{0101}r_{1010} < r_{0110}r_{1001}, \end{cases}$$

332 respectively. Thus, for CDM 1 any two CDMs with different leaf labelings are distinguishable.

333 □

334 5A Proof of Theorem 6

335 **Theorem 6** (Distance on the topology of an N -taxon principal tree) *Let \mathcal{T} be a principal*
 336 *tree, with outgroup o . Suppose \mathcal{T} is given the rooted triple metrization. Then the distance*
 337 *$d_{\mathcal{T}}(x, y)$ between leaf taxa x and y is*

$$d_{\mathcal{T}}(x, y) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } x=y, \\ 2N-2 & \text{if } x \neq y \text{ and one of } x = o, y = o, \\ 2|R_{x,y}| + 2 & \text{otherwise,} \end{cases}$$

338 where $R_{x,y}$ is the set of rooted 4-taxon principal trees displayed on \mathcal{T} with outgroup o
 339 displaying both x and y , where x and y are non-sisters.

340 *Proof* Clearly, if $x = y$ then $d_{\mathcal{T}}(x, y) = 0$.

341 Next suppose $x \neq y$ and one of $x = o, y = o$. With no loss of generality, assume $y = o$.

342 Then

$$d_{\mathcal{T}}(x, y) = d_{\mathcal{T}}(x, o) = d_{\mathcal{T}}(x, v) + d_{\mathcal{T}}(v, o),$$

where v is the most recent common ancestor (MRCA) of x and o . Since $y = o$, v must be the root of \mathcal{T} . Then from the rooted triple metrization, by the same arguments as [Rhodes \(2019\)](#),

$$d_{\mathcal{T}}(x, v) = d_{\mathcal{T}}(v, o) = N - 1$$

and

$$d_{\mathcal{T}}(x, o) = 2N - 2.$$

Finally, suppose $x \neq y$ and $x, y \neq o$. Again suppose that v is the MRCA of x and y . Then again by the same arguments as [Rhodes \(2019\)](#),

$$d_{\mathcal{T}}(x, y) = 2k - 2,$$

where k is the number of leaf taxa descended from v .

For x and y to be non-sisters on a rooted 4-taxon principal tree displayed on \mathcal{T} with outgroup o , we require the leaf taxon that is not x , y or o to be one of the $k - 2$ leaf taxa descended from v that is not x or y . Thus,

$$|R_{x,y}| = k - 2$$

and

$$d_{\mathcal{T}}(x, y) = 2|R_{x,y}| + 2.$$

□

6A Inferring topologies of N -taxon principal trees

We prove that consistent inference of the topology of the N -taxon principal tree follows from consistent inference of the principal trees of the displayed 4-taxon CDMs. However, it is possible that a displayed 4-taxon CDM does not meet the assumptions of Section 3.2. Specifically, even if an N -taxon CDM meets the assumptions, some displayed 4-taxon CDMs may have sister convergence. By assuming that all convergence

parameters of the N -taxon CDM are sufficiently “small”, then all convergence parameters of the displayed 4-taxon CDMs, including those of sister convergence groups of the displayed 4-taxon CDMs are “small”. Then all topologies of the displayed 4-taxon principal trees are inferred consistently by Algorithm 1.

To prove this result, we first prove a proposition similar to Proposition 1.2 of Haughton (1988). Proposition 1.2 states that if the generating model is among the set of candidate models, the probability that the model selected by the BIC is the generating model converges to 1. Our adaptation relaxes Proposition 1.2, such that none of the candidate models are the generating model, but some candidate models are sufficiently “close” to the generating model. That is, the generating parameter is a “small” perturbation from a point in the parameter space of a candidate model. We then use our proposition to prove that all topologies of the displayed 4-taxon principal trees are inferred consistently by Algorithm 1.

For the following proposition, $f(X, \phi) = \exp(X\phi - b(\phi))$ is the density for a regular exponential family, m_1 and m_2 are the parameter spaces of two models, $\text{int } \Theta$ is the interior of some topological space Θ , \overline{m}_1 and \overline{m}_2 are the Zariski closures of m_1 and m_2 , respectively and $E_\theta X_i = \nabla b(\theta)$ is the expected value of random variable X_i given generating parameter θ . The function $g(\phi) = \nabla b(\theta)\phi - b(\phi)$ for $\phi \in \Theta$ attains its unique maximum at θ (Barndorff-Nielsen 1978).

Proposition 4A *Let m_1 and m_2 be two different models satisfying $m_1 \cap m_2 = \emptyset$. Then there exists some $\theta \in \text{int } \Theta$, $\theta \notin \overline{m}_1, \theta \notin \overline{m}_2$, with a neighborhood \mathfrak{N} of θ such that $\mathfrak{N} \cap m_1 = \emptyset$, $\mathfrak{N} \cap m_2 \neq \emptyset$ and*

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} P_\theta^n(\gamma(n, 1) < \gamma(n, 2)) = 1.$$

Proof The proof requires only a slight modification to the proof of Proposition 1.2 of Haughton (1988).

384 From Haughton (1988), since $\mathfrak{N} \cap m_1 = \emptyset$,

$$\sup_{\phi \in m_1 \cap \Theta} \nabla b(\theta) \phi - b(\phi) + \epsilon \leq \nabla b(\theta) \theta - b(\theta) \quad (9A)$$

385 and asymptotically with probability 1,

$$\left| \sup_{\phi \in m_i \cap \Theta} (Y_n \phi - b(\phi)) - \sup_{\phi \in m_i \cap \Theta} \nabla b(\theta) \phi - b(\phi) \right| < \frac{\epsilon}{4}, \quad (10A)$$

386 where $\epsilon > 0$.

387 Although $\mathfrak{N} \cap m_2 \neq \emptyset$, $g(\phi)$ attains its maximum at θ and $\theta \notin \bar{m}_2$. Thus, we can choose
388 $\tilde{\epsilon} > 0$ such that

$$\sup_{\phi \in m_2 \cap \Theta} \nabla b(\theta) \phi - b(\phi) + \tilde{\epsilon} = \nabla b(\theta) \theta - b(\theta). \quad (11A)$$

389 We consider the two possible signs of the argument of the absolute value in Inequal-
390 ity (10A). If

$$\sup_{\phi \in m_i \cap \Theta} (Y_n \phi - b(\phi)) - \sup_{\phi \in m_i \cap \Theta} \nabla b(\theta) \phi - b(\phi) \geq 0,$$

391 then from Inequality 10A,

$$\sup_{\phi \in m_1 \cap \Theta} (Y_n \phi - b(\phi)) < \sup_{\phi \in m_1 \cap \Theta} \nabla b(\theta) \phi - b(\phi) + \frac{\epsilon}{4}.$$

392 Similarly, if

$$\sup_{\phi \in m_i \cap \Theta} (Y_n \phi - b(\phi)) - \sup_{\phi \in m_i \cap \Theta} \nabla b(\theta) \phi - b(\phi) < 0,$$

393 then

$$\begin{aligned} \sup_{\phi \in m_1 \cap \Theta} (Y_n \phi - b(\phi)) &< \sup_{\phi \in m_1 \cap \Theta} \nabla b(\theta) \phi - b(\phi) \\ &< \sup_{\phi \in m_1 \cap \Theta} \nabla b(\theta) \phi - b(\phi) + \frac{\epsilon}{4}. \end{aligned}$$

394 Thus, from Inequalities (9A) and (10A), asymptotically with probability 1,

$$\sup_{\phi \in m_1 \cap \Theta} (Y_n \phi - b(\phi)) < \sup_{\phi \in m_1 \cap \Theta} \nabla b(\theta) \phi - b(\phi) + \frac{\epsilon}{4} \leq \nabla b(\theta) \theta - b(\theta) - \frac{3\epsilon}{4}. \quad (12A)$$

By similar arguments, from Inequality (10A) and Equation (11A), asymptotically with probability 1,

$$\sup_{\phi \in m_2 \cap \Theta} (Y_n \phi - b(\phi)) > \sup_{\phi \in m_2 \cap \Theta} \nabla b(\theta) \phi - b(\phi) - \frac{\epsilon}{4} = \nabla b(\theta) \theta - b(\theta) - \tilde{\epsilon} - \frac{\epsilon}{4}. \quad (13A)$$

By Inequalities (12A) and (13A),

$$\begin{aligned} \sup_{\phi \in m_1 \cap \Theta} (Y_n \phi - b(\phi)) &< \nabla b(\theta) \theta - b(\theta) - \frac{3\epsilon}{4} \\ &= \nabla b(\theta) \theta - b(\theta) - \tilde{\epsilon} - \frac{\epsilon}{4} + \tilde{\epsilon} - \frac{\epsilon}{2} \\ &< \sup_{\phi \in m_2 \cap \Theta} (Y_n \phi - b(\phi)) + \tilde{\epsilon} - \frac{\epsilon}{2} \\ &= \sup_{\phi \in m_2 \cap \Theta} (Y_n \phi - b(\phi)) - \delta, \end{aligned}$$

where $\delta = \frac{\epsilon}{2} - \tilde{\epsilon}$.

If it is possible to choose $\delta > 0$, then asymptotically with probability 1,

$$\sup_{\phi \in m_1 \cap \Theta} (Y_n \phi - b(\phi)) + \delta < \sup_{\phi \in m_2 \cap \Theta} (Y_n \phi - b(\phi)).$$

We are free to choose any $\theta \in \text{int } \Theta$. Thus, we choose θ to be an arbitrarily small perturbation from some point in m_2 . Then $\tilde{\epsilon} > 0$ is arbitrarily small and $\delta > 0$. The remainder of the proof then follows from [Haughton \(1988\)](#).

□

A convergence group on the generating N -taxon CDM may be a sister convergence group on some displayed 4-taxa CDMs and a non-sister convergence group on others. Thus, we must assume that all convergence parameters of the generating N -taxon CDM are “small” relative to the divergence parameters.

Next, we adapt Theorem 3 of [Steel \(1992\)](#) to prove that the N -taxon principal tree can be identified from the set of 4-taxa principal trees that include the outgroup.

410 **Theorem 5A** (Steel, 1992) *For a set of rooted triples R , $\langle R \rangle = \{T\}$ if and only if R is*
411 *consistent with T , and for each internal edge e of T there is a rooted triple in R which*
412 *distinguishes e .*

413 The consequence of Theorem 5A of Steel (1992) is that if all trees of a set of
414 (binary) rooted 3-taxon trees R are displayed on a (binary) rooted N -taxon tree T
415 and each internal edge of T is an internal edge of at least one tree in R , then T is
416 the only N -taxon tree that displays all the 3-taxon trees of R . In other words, the
417 N -taxon tree T can be identified from the set of 3-taxon trees R .

418 Steel (1992) note that an analogous theorem exists for unrooted quartets. Thus, the
419 *unrooted* principal tree of the N -taxon CDM can be identified from the set of $\binom{N-1}{3}$
420 topologies of *unrooted* 4-taxon principal trees that include the outgroup displayed on
421 the *unrooted* principal tree of the N -taxon CDM. The principal tree of the N -taxon
422 CDM is then rooted by the outgroup.

423 6A.1 Proof of Theorem 7

424 Finally, from Proposition 4A and Theorem 5A adapted to unrooted quartets that
425 include the outgroup, we can prove Theorem 7.

426 **Theorem 7** *Suppose CDM \mathcal{N} has topology of principal tree \mathcal{T} . Suppose the BIC is used*
427 *for model selection in step 2 of Algorithm 1. Suppose $\hat{\mathcal{T}}$ is the estimate of \mathcal{T} inferred by*
428 *Algorithm 1. Then there exists some constant $c > 0$ such that if the largest convergence*
429 *parameter of \mathcal{N} is less than c ,*

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \mathbb{P}(\hat{\mathcal{T}} = \mathcal{T}) = 1.$$

430 *Proof* Suppose \mathcal{N} has a displayed 4-taxon CDM \mathcal{N}_4 with topology of principal tree $\mathcal{T}_4 =$
 431 $(o, (a, (b, c)))$. Then from the proof of Theorem 5, for \mathcal{N}_4 ,

$$r_{0011}r_{1001}r_{1010} - r_{1011}^2 = 0,$$

432 while for some 4-taxon CDM with topology of principal tree $\mathcal{T}'_4 \neq (o, (a, (b, c)))$,

$$r_{0011}r_{1001}r_{1010} - r_{1011}^2 > 0.$$

433 Suppose m_1 corresponds to the union of parameter spaces for CDMs 1–5 for the topology
 434 of principal tree \mathcal{T}_4 . Suppose also that m_2 corresponds to the union of parameter spaces for
 435 CDMs 1–5 for any 4-taxon topology of principal tree that is not \mathcal{T}_4 . Then $m_1 \cap m_2 = \emptyset$
 436 — recall from Assumption 11 that the generating parameter is a generic point. Suppose
 437 $\theta \notin \overline{m}_1, \overline{m}_2$. Then if $c > 0$ is sufficiently small, Proposition 4A holds and m_1 is selected by
 438 the BIC asymptotically with probability 1.

439 Next, we prove the claim that the set of inferred topologies of 4-taxon principal trees
 440 equals the set of topologies of the principal trees of the 4-taxon CDMs displayed on \mathcal{N} . Then
 441 from the adaptation of Theorem 5A to unrooted quartets, the topology of the principal tree of
 442 \mathcal{N} is the only topology that displays all inferred 4-taxon principal trees. Thus, any consistent
 443 supertree inference method used in step 3 of Algorithm 1 infers the topology of the principal
 444 tree of \mathcal{N} consistently and the proof is complete.

445 All that is left to prove is the claim that the probability of the set of inferred 4-taxon
 446 principal trees equalling the set of topologies of principal trees of 4-taxon CDMs displayed
 447 on \mathcal{N} converges to 1.

448 Suppose A_i is the event where the topology of the i^{th} 4-taxon principal tree is inferred
 449 incorrectly, given some arbitrary order. Then, by Proposition 4A, there exists some sample
 450 size n such that for $n' > n$, $\mathbb{P}(A_i) < \epsilon_i$ for some arbitrarily small $\epsilon_i > 0$. Then by Boole's
 451 inequality,

$$\mathbb{P}\left(\bigcup_{i=1}^{\binom{N-1}{3}} A_i\right) \leq \sum_{i=1}^{\binom{N-1}{3}} \mathbb{P}(A_i) < \sum_{i=1}^{\binom{N-1}{3}} \epsilon_i,$$

an arbitrarily small positive quantity. Thus, the set of topologies of the inferred 4-taxon principal trees of step 2 of Algorithm 1 equals the set of topologies of the principal trees of the 4-taxon CDMs displayed on \mathcal{N} with probability converging to 1.

□

7A Proof of Proposition 8

Proposition 8 *Let CDM \mathcal{N}_i have topology of principal tree \mathcal{T}_i and $t_{i,j}$ be the epoch length of epoch j . Let \mathcal{N}_1 be the tree, with $\mathcal{T}_1 = (o, (a, (b, c)))$, $t_{1,2} \rightarrow \infty$ and $t_{1,3} \rightarrow 0$. Let \mathcal{N}_2 and \mathcal{N}_3 be CDMs with $\mathcal{T}_2 = (o, (b, (a, c)))$ and $\mathcal{T}_3 = (o, (c, (a, b)))$, each with a non-sister convergence group $\{\{b\}, \{c\}\}$ in the tip epoch, with $t_{2,4}, t_{3,4} \rightarrow \infty$. Then the sets of possible phylogenetic tensors of $\mathcal{N}_1, \mathcal{N}_2$ and \mathcal{N}_3 converge to the same set.*

Proof Consider phylogenetic tensors for $\mathcal{N}_1, \mathcal{N}_2$ and \mathcal{N}_3 with arbitrary finite, positive substitution rates and epoch times. Let apostrophe superscripts denote parameters of \mathcal{N}_2 .

464 For generic parameters on \mathcal{N}_1 , after setting $x_6 = x_7 = x_8 = x_9 = x_{10} = x_{11} = 1$,
 465 Equations (7A) reduce to

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} f_{0011} = x_4 x_5, \\ f_{0101} = x_2 x_3 x_4, \\ f_{0110} = x_2 x_3 x_5, \\ f_{0111} = x_2 x_3 x_4 x_5, \\ f_{1001} = x_1 x_2 x_4, \\ f_{1010} = x_1 x_2 x_5, \\ f_{1011} = x_1 x_2 x_4 x_5, \\ f_{1100} = x_1 x_3, \\ f_{1101} = x_1 x_2 x_3 x_4, \\ f_{1110} = x_1 x_2 x_3 x_5, \\ f_{1111} = x_1 x_3 x_4 x_5, \\ f_{\delta} = x_1 x_2 x_3 x_4 x_5. \end{array} \right.$$

466 Taking the limit as the epoch time of the second epoch diverges and the epoch time of
 467 the tip epoch converges to 0 is equivalent to $x_1, x_2, x_3 \rightarrow 0$ and $x_4, x_5 \rightarrow 1$. Thus,

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} f_{0011} \rightarrow 1, \\ f_{0101} \rightarrow 0, \\ f_{0110} \rightarrow 0, \\ f_{0111} \rightarrow 0, \\ f_{1001} \rightarrow 0, \\ f_{1010} \rightarrow 0, \\ f_{1011} \rightarrow 0, \\ f_{1100} \rightarrow 0, \\ f_{1101} \rightarrow 0, \\ f_{1110} \rightarrow 0, \\ f_{1111} \rightarrow 0, \\ f_{\delta} \rightarrow 0. \end{array} \right.$$

468 For generic parameters on \mathcal{N}_2 , after setting $x'_7 = x'_8 = x'_9 = x'_{10} = x'_{11} = 1$ and permuting
 469 leaf labels, Equations (7A) reduce to

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} f_{0011} = 1 - x'_6 (1 - x'_2 x'_3 x'_5), \\ f_{0101} = x'_4 x'_5 x'_6, \\ f_{0110} = x'_2 x'_3 x'_4 x'_6, \\ f_{0111} = x'_2 x'_3 x'_4 x'_5 x'_6, \\ f_{1001} = x'_1 x'_2 x'_5 x'_6, \\ f_{1010} = x'_1 x'_3 x'_6, \\ f_{1011} = x'_1 x'_2 x'_3 x'_5 x'_6, \\ f_{1100} = x'_1 x'_2 x'_4, \\ f_{1101} = x'_1 x'_2 x'_4 x'_5 x'_6, \\ f_{1110} = x'_1 x'_2 x'_3 x'_4 x'_6, \\ f_{1111} = x'_1 x'_4 (x'_2 (1 - x'_6) + x'_3 x'_5 x'_6), \\ f_\delta = x'_1 x'_2 x'_3 x'_4 x'_5 x'_6. \end{array} \right.$$

470 Taking the limit as the epoch time of the tip epoch diverges is equivalent to $x'_1, x'_4, x'_6 \rightarrow 0$.

471 Thus,

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} f_{0011} \rightarrow 1, \\ f_{0101} \rightarrow 0, \\ f_{0110} \rightarrow 0, \\ f_{0111} \rightarrow 0, \\ f_{1001} \rightarrow 0, \\ f_{1010} \rightarrow 0, \\ f_{1011} \rightarrow 0, \\ f_{1100} \rightarrow 0, \\ f_{1101} \rightarrow 0, \\ f_{1110} \rightarrow 0, \\ f_{1111} \rightarrow 0, \\ f_{\delta} \rightarrow 0. \end{array} \right.$$

472 It is straightforward to show that Equations (7A) have the same limits for \mathcal{N}_3 and this
473 is omitted.

474 □

475 8A Controlling overfitting the CDM

476 For Algorithm 2 that infers the convergence groups of the N -taxon CDM, we introduce
477 two constraints to avoid overfitting the CDM with too many convergence groups. The
478 constraints are used to determine whether convergence groups are inferred on the
479 CDM in a stepwise fashion.

480 The constraints ensure that only a small number of expected proportions of con-
481 verging quartets can exceed their observed values. Furthermore, convergence groups
482 can only be included if expected proportions exceed their observed values by small

amounts. Suppose \mathbf{O} and \mathbf{E} are the matrices of observed and expected proportions of converging quartets. Suppose $C = \{c_1, c_2\}$ is an arbitrary convergence group, with $c_1 \cup c_2 \subset [N]$. Then $a_1 = \max_{i \in c_1, j \in c_2} \left| [\mathbf{O}]_{ij} - [\mathbf{E}]_{ij} \right|$ and $a_2 = \frac{1}{(N-1)^2} \sum_{i=1}^N \sum_{j=1}^N \delta_{ij}$, where $\delta_{ij} = 0$ if $[\mathbf{E}]_{ij} \leq [\mathbf{O}]_{ij}$ and 1 otherwise. We include the convergence group on the CDM only if $a_1 \leq A_1$ and $a_2 \leq A_2$, where $A_1, A_2 \in [0, 1]$. Note that the denominator of a_2 has $N - 1$ since the outgroup is not involved in convergence. ($[\mathbf{O}]_{iN} = [\mathbf{O}]_{Nj} = [\mathbf{E}]_{iN} = [\mathbf{E}]_{Nj} = 0$ for all $i, j \in \{1, 2, \dots, N\}$.)

Further control of overfitting is achieved with a multiple comparisons correction, favoring 4-taxon trees over non-tree CDMs. For a given 4-taxon set that includes the outgroup taxon, the model selection criterion values are first converted into weights, for example, AIC or BIC (Burnham and Anderson 2004). These weights are a “tree weight” corresponding to the AIC or BIC of the tree and a “non-tree weight” corresponding to the AIC or BIC of the best fitting non-tree CDM. Tree weights could then be multiplied by some positive constant $b \geq 1$ to achieve further control for overfitting. A multiple comparisons correction, such as the Holm-Bonferroni method (Holm 1979), could then be applied to the tree weights over all 4-taxon sets that include the outgroup taxon, as if the weights were p-values. If the tree is “rejected”, then the non-tree CDM with the lowest AIC or BIC is selected.

9A Proof of Proposition 9

Proposition 9 *For convergence group $C = \{c_1, c_2\}$ on CDM \mathcal{N} , let $a \in c_1$ and $b \in c_2$. Let v be the MRCA node of a and b , X_v be the set of leaf taxa descending from v and $X_C = c_1 \cup c_2$. Then the expected proportion of converging quartets for $\{a, b\}$ is*

$$\frac{|X_v \setminus X_C|}{N - 3} = \frac{|X_v| - |X_C|}{N - 3},$$

where $|X_v|$ and $|X_C|$ are the cardinalities of sets X_v and X_C .

506 *Proof* To determine the expected proportions of converging quartets, suppose taxa a and b
507 are converging. Then convergence between these taxa can only be inferred on 4-taxon CDMs
508 with topology of principal tree $(o, (a, (b, c)))$ or $(o, (b, (a, c)))$, for some arbitrary taxon c . With
509 no loss of generality, we assume that the topology of the principal tree of some 4-taxon CDM
510 is $(o, (a, (b, c)))$. To determine the expected proportions, we must determine the number of
511 4-taxon CDMs displayed on \mathcal{N} , displaying both a and b where they appear as non-sisters.

512 We start with the rooted tree $(o, (a, b))$ and append taxon c and include a convergence
513 group C . One edge corresponding to the convergence group C must be ancestral to a , while
514 the other must be ancestral to b . Thus, for C to be a non-sister convergence group, the
515 remaining taxon c must be placed on an edge directly descended from v , corresponding to a
516 speciation event before the epoch C is in. Thus, c could be any of the $|X_v \setminus X_C| = |X_v| - |X_C|$
517 taxa out of the $N - 3$ possible taxa that are not o , a or b . \square

518 10A Proof of Proposition 11

519 **Proposition 11** *An arbitrary pair of distinct convergence groups on CDM \mathcal{N} share no pair*
520 *of converging leaf taxa.*

521 *Proof* Suppose C_1 and C_2 are two distinct convergence groups on \mathcal{N} . By Assumption 5 of
522 Section 3.2, there can be at most one convergence group in each epoch. Thus, C_1 is either
523 in an epoch before or after C_2 . With no loss of generality, we assume that C_1 is in an epoch
524 before C_2 .

525 In order to share at least one pair of converging taxa, C_2 must be nested in C_1 . How-
526 ever, by Assumption 9 of Section 3.2, there can be no convergence groups nested in other
527 convergence groups. \square

528

529 11A Proof of Proposition 12

530 We assume that the topology of the principal tree of \mathcal{N} is known. However, we note
531 that if it is not known, from Theorem 7 it can be inferred consistently.

532 **Proposition 12** *The set of all convergence groups on CDM \mathcal{N} can be identified from the set*
533 *of displayed 4-taxon CDMs after suppressing sister convergence groups.*

534 *Proof* The set of displayed 4-taxon CDMs after suppressing sister convergence groups defines
535 a matrix of proportions of converging quartets. However, in general the set of all convergence
536 groups on \mathcal{N} cannot be identified from the matrix (see Figure 5). Instead, we can identify a
537 set of possible sets of convergence groups on \mathcal{N} that correspond to the matrix of proportions
538 of converging quartets. Since the set of displayed 4-taxon CDMs after suppressing sister
539 convergence groups is assumed known, for the remainder of the proof we can restrict to this
540 set of sets of convergence groups. We must then prove that we can identify the specific set of
541 all convergence groups of \mathcal{N} .

542 If \mathcal{N} is a tree, then the set of displayed 4-taxon CDMs after suppressing sister convergence
543 groups is a set of trees. Thus, by Corollary 10, the matrix of proportions of converging quartets
544 is the zero matrix. Alternatively, if \mathcal{N} is not a tree, then \mathcal{N} must have at least one non-sister
545 convergence group. Call one such non-sister convergence group $C = \{c_1, c_2\}$, with v the most
546 recent common ancestral node of c_1 and c_2 . Then by Proposition 9, the expected proportion
547 of converging quartets for $a \in c_1$ and $b \in c_2$ is $\frac{|X_v| - |X_C|}{N-3}$, where X_v is the set of all taxa
548 descending from v and $|X_C| = |c_1| + |c_2|$. By the definition of non-sister convergence groups,
549 $|X_v| - |X_C| > 0$. Thus, the matrix of converging quartets is not the zero matrix. Thus, if \mathcal{N}
550 is a tree, the set of convergence groups can be identified from the set of displayed 4-taxon
551 CDMs after suppressing sister convergence groups via the matrix of converging quartets.

552 For the remainder of the proof, we can assume that \mathcal{N} is not a tree. Then the set of non-
553 sister convergence groups defines a set S of 4-taxon CDMs displayed on \mathcal{N} with non-sister
554 convergence groups after suppressing sister convergence groups — note that 4-taxon CDMs

of S can have one or two non-sister convergence groups. Suppose similarly that S' is a set of 4-taxon CDMs defined by a set of non-sister convergence groups not on \mathcal{N} but with the same matrix of proportions of converging quartets as the set of non-sister convergence groups on \mathcal{N} . We must prove that there exists some 4-taxon CDM in S that is not in S' . Then we can identify the set of convergence groups on \mathcal{N} from the set of 4-taxon CDMs.

We prove that there is some 4-taxon CDM in S that is not in S' . We first consider an arbitrary 4-taxon CDM \mathcal{N}_4 in S . Consider arbitrary leaf taxon pair $\{a, b\}$, where $a \in c_1$ and $b \in c_2$. Furthermore, assume $c \in X_v \setminus X_C$. Then with no loss of generality, we can assume the topology of the principal tree of \mathcal{N}_4 is $(o, (b, (a, c)))$.

Suppose that $C' = \{c'_1, c'_2\}$ is one such non-sister convergence group that defines S' , with c'_1, c'_2, v', X'_v and $X_{C'}$ as in Proposition 9. Now consider 4-taxon CDM \mathcal{N}'_4 , defined by C' and on leaf taxon set $\{o, a, b, c\}$, with topology of principal tree $(o, (b, (a, c)))$. Since we require a non-sister convergence group on \mathcal{N}'_4 where a and b are both converging, we must have either $a \in c'_1$ and $b \in c'_2$ or $a \in c'_2$ and $b \in c'_1$. With no loss of generality, we assume that $a \in c'_1$ and $b \in c'_2$. Then $c_1 \subseteq c'_1$ or $c_1 \supset c'_1$. Similarly, $c_2 \subseteq c'_2$ or $c_2 \supset c'_2$. Both v and v' are the MRCA of a and b . Thus $v' = v$.

Now assume that $X_{C'} = X_C$. Then $c'_1 = c_1$ and $c'_2 = c_2$ and in turn, $C' = C$. Thus, S' is defined by a set of convergence groups that includes C and the 4-taxon CDM is in S' . Thus, we can assume that $X_{C'} \neq X_C$ and we cannot have both $c'_1 = c_1$ and $c'_2 = c_2$. However, since the matrices of proportions of converging quartets must be the same for the two sets of convergence groups, we must have

$$\frac{|X_v| - |X_C|}{N - 3} = \frac{|X_{v'}| - |X_{C'}|}{N - 3},$$

which simplifies to $|X_C| = |X_{C'}|$, since $v' = v$. Thus, either $c_1 \subset c'_1$ and $c_2 \supset c'_2$ or $c_1 \supset c'_1$ and $c_2 \subset c'_2$. With no loss of generality, we assume that $c_1 \subset c'_1$ and $c_2 \supset c'_2$.

Then there exists some choice of c such that $c \in c'_1 \setminus c_1$. For $c_2 \supset c'_2$, there must similarly be some taxon $d \in c_2 \setminus c'_2$. Thus, we are assuming that $N \geq 5$ — the outgroup and taxa a, b, c and d . Then $a, c \in c'_1$ and $b \in c'_2$. Thus, before suppressing sister convergence groups to form \mathcal{N}'_4 , C' must correspond with a sister convergence group on the 4-taxon CDM on leaf taxa $\{o, a, b, c\}$ — see Figure 1A for a graphical depiction of C and C' . Then any other choice

583 of convergence group that defines S' , say C'' , must satisfy $c_1'' \supset c_1$ and the claim follows.
 584 Finally, since we have assumed $N \geq 5$, we must also consider $N = 4$. For $N = 4$, it is clear
 585 from the identifiability and distinguishability of all CDMs with no sister convergence that
 586 the claim holds.

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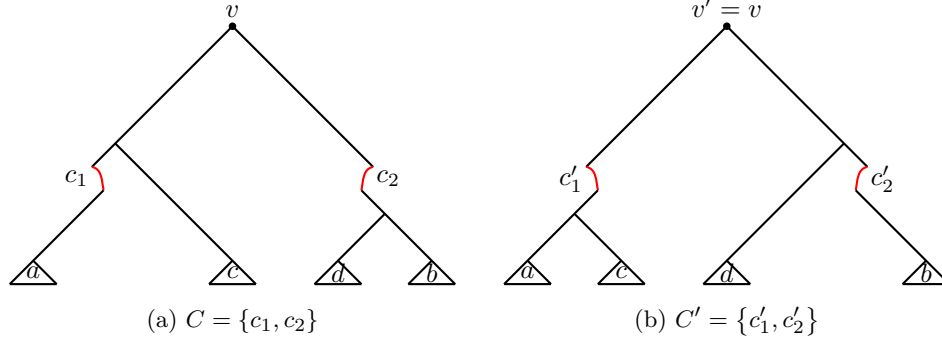


Fig. 1A Convergence groups C and C' . Labels c_1 , c_2 , c'_1 and c'_2 indicate the set of leaf taxa below that edge. Triangles are displayed CDMs. Labels inside triangles indicate one of possibly many taxa on leaves of those displayed CDMs. There may be more displayed CDMs not drawn below v that are not below either C or C'

588 12A Proof of Theorem 13

589 **Theorem 13** Suppose CDM \mathcal{N} has topology of principal tree \mathcal{T} and convergence groups \mathcal{G} .
 590 Suppose for all l , $\alpha_l = \beta_l$. Suppose for convergence group $\mathcal{C}_i = \{c_{1,i}, c_{2,i}\}$ that if $a \in c_{1,i} \cup c_{2,i}$,
 591 then $a \notin c_{1,j} \cup c_{2,j}$ for any $j \neq i$. Suppose \mathcal{T} is input into Algorithm 2, the BIC is used
 592 for model selection in step 2, there are no multiple comparisons corrections and the tolerance
 593 criterion is $u = 1$. Suppose $\hat{\mathcal{G}}$ is the estimate of \mathcal{G} inferred by Algorithm 2. Then there exists
 594 some constant $c > 0$ such that if the largest convergence parameter of \mathcal{N} is less than c ,

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \mathbb{P}(\hat{\mathcal{G}} = \mathcal{G}) = 1.$$

595 *Proof* We start by finding expressions for the transformed phylogenetic tensors for various
 596 4-taxon CDMs with and without sister convergence. We prove that the CDMs with sister
 597 convergence are not distinguishable from the CDMs with the sister convergence groups sup-
 598 pressed. Thus, regardless of whether the 4-taxon CDMs have sister convergence groups or
 599 not, the non-sister convergence group is inferred consistently.

600 Since $\alpha_l = \beta_l$, $\gamma = 0$ and the transformed phylogenetic tensor for a 4-taxon CDM of
 601 Equation (6A) simplifies to

$$\hat{P} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ r_{0011} \\ 0 \\ r_{0101} \\ r_{0110} \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ r_{1001} \\ r_{1010} \\ 0 \\ r_{1100} \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ r_{1111} \end{bmatrix}.$$

602 With no loss of generality, we assume the topology of the principal tree of an arbitrary 4-
 603 taxon CDM displayed on \mathcal{N} is $(o(a, (b, c)))$. Then of the possible convergence groups on the
 604 4-taxon CDM, the convergence group in the epoch closest to the root is the sister convergence
 605 group $C = \{\{a\}, \{b, c\}\}$. Thus, we first consider the distinguishability of two 4-taxon CDMs,
 606 one a tree and the other with this convergence group. For both CDMs we assume the tip
 607 epoch has epoch time 0. The first, which we call $\mathcal{N}_{4,1}$, is the tree $(o(a, (b, c)))$. Since the tip

608 epoch has epoch time 0, taxa b and c are identical. The second CDM, which we call $\mathcal{N}_{4,2}$, has
 609 a single convergence group, $C = \{\{a\}, \{b, c\}\}$, followed by a speciation event involving b and
 610 c . Again, since the tip epoch has epoch time 0, taxa b and c are identical. See Figure 2A for
 611 a graphical depiction of the two CDMs. Suppose $\mathcal{N}_{4,1}$ has parameters with no apostrophes
 612 and $\mathcal{N}_{4,2}$ has parameters with apostrophes.

613 For $\mathcal{N}_{4,1}$ (see Mathematica file S12.nb (text version S13.txt) on [https://github.com/](https://github.com/jonathanmitchell88/CDMsSI)
 614 [jonathanmitchell88/CDMsSI](https://github.com/jonathanmitchell88/CDMsSI) for a derivation),

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{lcl} r_{0011} & = & 1, \\ r_{0101} & = & x_2 x_3, \\ r_{0110} & = & x_2 x_3, \\ r_{1001} & = & x_1 x_2, \\ r_{1010} & = & x_1 x_2, \\ r_{1100} & = & x_1 x_3, \\ r_{1111} & = & x_1 x_3. \end{array} \right.$$

615 For $\mathcal{N}_{4,2}$ (see Mathematica file S12.nb (text version S13.txt) for a derivation),

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{lcl} r_{0011} & = & 1, \\ r_{0101} & = & 1 - x'_4 (1 - x'_2 x'_3), \\ r_{0110} & = & 1 - x'_4 (1 - x'_2 x'_3), \\ r_{1001} & = & x'_1 x'_2 x'_4, \\ r_{1010} & = & x'_1 x'_2 x'_4, \\ r_{1100} & = & x'_1 x'_3 x'_4, \\ r_{1111} & = & x'_1 x'_3 x'_4. \end{array} \right.$$

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For $\mathcal{N}_{4,1}$,

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} x_1 = \sqrt{\frac{r_{1001}r_{1100}}{r_{0101}}}, \\ x_2 = \sqrt{\frac{r_{0101}r_{1001}}{r_{1100}}}, \\ x_3 = \sqrt{\frac{r_{0101}r_{1100}}{r_{1001}}}, \\ r_{0101} = r_{0110}, \\ r_{1001} = r_{1010}, \\ r_{1100} = r_{1111}. \end{array} \right.$$

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Since $x_1, x_2, x_3 \in (0, 1)$, for $\mathcal{N}_{4,1}$,

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} r_{0101} = r_{0110}, \\ r_{1001} = r_{1010}, \\ r_{1100} = r_{1111}, \\ r_{0101}r_{1001} < r_{1100}, \\ r_{0101}r_{1100} < r_{1001}, \\ r_{1001}r_{1100} < r_{0101}. \end{array} \right.$$

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Similarly, for $\mathcal{N}_{4,2}$,

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} r_{0101} = r_{0110}, \\ r_{1001} = r_{1010}, \\ r_{1100} = r_{1111}. \end{array} \right.$$

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Since we are assuming that all convergence parameters of \mathcal{N} are less than some constant

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 $c > 0$, we can assume that $x'_4 = 1 - \epsilon$, where $\epsilon > 0$ is some small positive constant. Then for

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 $\mathcal{N}_{4,2}$,

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} r_{1100} - r_{0101}r_{1001} = x'_1x'_3(1 - x'^2_2) + O(\epsilon), \\ r_{1001} - r_{0101}r_{1100} = x'_1x'_2(1 - x'^2_3) + O(\epsilon), \\ r_{0101} - r_{1001}r_{1100} = x'_2x'_3(1 - x'^2_1) + O(\epsilon). \end{array} \right.$$

Since $c > 0$ can be chosen, there exists some choice of $\epsilon > 0$ sufficiently small such that
 for $\mathcal{N}_{4,2}$,

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} r_{0101} = r_{0110}, \\ r_{1001} = r_{1010}, \\ r_{1100} = r_{1111}, \\ r_{0101}r_{1001} < r_{1100}, \\ r_{0101}r_{1100} < r_{1001}, \\ r_{1001}r_{1100} < r_{0101}. \end{array} \right.$$

Thus, $\mathcal{N}_{4,1}$ and $\mathcal{N}_{4,2}$ are not distinguishable for this choice of $c > 0$. Thus, any 4-taxon CDM with $\alpha_l = \beta_l$ and this sister convergence group is not distinguishable from the CDM that results from suppressing the sister convergence. Thus, to determine the transformed phylogenetic tensor of any 4-taxon CDM with $\alpha_l = \beta_l$, we can assume there is no sister convergence in this epoch.

The next closest epoch to the root that could have a convergence group is the epoch just after taxa b and c have diverged. Thus, we compare the tree $(o, (a, (b, c)))$, which we call $\mathcal{N}_{4,3}$, and the CDM with topology of principal tree $(o, (a, (b, c)))$ and sister convergence group $\{\{b\}, \{c\}\}$ in the tip epoch, which we call $\mathcal{N}_{4,4}$. See Figure 3A for a graphical depiction of the two CDMs. Again, suppose $\mathcal{N}_{4,3}$ has parameters with no apostrophes and $\mathcal{N}_{4,4}$ has parameters with apostrophes.

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For $\mathcal{N}_{4,3}$ (see Mathematica file S12.nb (text version S13.txt) for a derivation),

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} r_{0011} = x_4 x_5, \\ r_{0101} = x_2 x_3 x_4, \\ r_{0110} = x_2 x_3 x_5, \\ r_{1001} = x_1 x_2 x_4, \\ r_{1010} = x_1 x_2 x_5, \\ r_{1100} = x_1 x_3, \\ r_{1111} = x_1 x_3 x_4 x_5. \end{array} \right.$$

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For $\mathcal{N}_{4,4}$ (see Mathematica file S12.nb (text version S13.txt) for a derivation),

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} r_{0011} = 1 - x'_6 (1 - x'_4 x'_5), \\ r_{0101} = x'_2 x'_3 x'_4 x'_6, \\ r_{0110} = x'_2 x'_3 x'_5 x'_6, \\ r_{1001} = x'_1 x'_2 x'_4 x'_6, \\ r_{1010} = x'_1 x'_2 x'_5 x'_6, \\ r_{1100} = x'_1 x'_3, \\ r_{1111} = x'_1 x'_3 (1 - x'_6 (x'_4 x'_5)). \end{array} \right.$$

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For $\mathcal{N}_{4,3}$,

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} x_1 = \sqrt{\frac{r_{1001} r_{1100}}{r_{0101}}}, \\ x_2 = \sqrt{\frac{r_{0110} r_{1001}}{r_{0011} r_{1100}}}, \\ x_3 = \sqrt{\frac{r_{0101} r_{1100}}{r_{1001}}}, \\ x_4 = \sqrt{\frac{r_{0011} r_{0101}}{r_{0110}}}, \\ x_5 = \sqrt{\frac{r_{0011} r_{0110}}{r_{0101}}}, \\ r_{0101} r_{1010} = r_{0110} r_{1001}, \\ r_{0011} r_{1100} = r_{1111}. \end{array} \right.$$

638 Since $x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4, x_5 \in (0, 1)$, for $\mathcal{N}_{4,3}$,

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} r_{0101}r_{1010} = r_{0110}r_{1001}, \\ r_{0011}r_{1100} = r_{1111}, \\ r_{0011}r_{0101} < r_{0110}, \\ r_{0011}r_{0110} < r_{0101}, \\ r_{0101}r_{1100} < r_{1001}, \\ r_{0110}r_{1001} < r_{0011}r_{1100}, \\ r_{1001}r_{1100} < r_{0101}. \end{array} \right.$$

639 Similarly, for $\mathcal{N}_{4,4}$,

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} r_{0101}r_{1010} = r_{0110}r_{1001}, \\ r_{0011}r_{1100} = r_{1111}. \end{array} \right.$$

640 Since we are assuming that all convergence parameters of \mathcal{N} are less than some constant

641 $c > 0$, we can assume that $x'_6 = 1 - \epsilon$, where $\epsilon > 0$ is some small positive constant. Then for

642 $\mathcal{N}_{4,4}$,

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} r_{0110} - r_{0011}r_{0101} = x'_2x'_3x'_5(1 - x'^2_4) + O(\epsilon), \\ r_{0101} - r_{0011}r_{0110} = x'_2x'_3x'_4(1 - x'^2_5) + O(\epsilon), \\ r_{1001} - r_{0101}r_{1100} = x'_1x'_2x'_4(1 - x'^2_3) + O(\epsilon), \\ r_{0011}r_{1100} - r_{0110}r_{1001} = x'_1x'_3x'_4x'_5(1 - x'^2_2) + O(\epsilon), \\ r_{0101} - r_{1001}r_{1100} = x'_2x'_3x'_4(1 - x'^2_1) + O(\epsilon). \end{array} \right.$$

643 Since $c > 0$ can be chosen, there exists some choice of $\epsilon > 0$ sufficiently small such that
 644 for $\mathcal{N}_{4,4}$,

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} r_{0101}r_{1010} = r_{0110}r_{1001}, \\ r_{0011}r_{1100} = r_{1111}, \\ r_{0011}r_{0101} < r_{0110}, \\ r_{0011}r_{0110} < r_{0101}, \\ r_{0101}r_{1100} < r_{1001}, \\ r_{0110}r_{1001} < r_{0011}r_{1100}, \\ r_{1001}r_{1100} < r_{0101}. \end{array} \right.$$

645 Thus, $\mathcal{N}_{4,3}$ and $\mathcal{N}_{4,4}$ are not distinguishable for this choice of $c > 0$. Thus, any 4-taxon
 646 CDM with $\alpha_l = \beta_l$ and this sister convergence group is not distinguishable from the CDM
 647 that results from suppressing the sister convergence. Thus, to determine the transformed
 648 phylogenetic tensor of any 4-taxon CDM with $\alpha_l = \beta_l$, we can again assume there is no sister
 649 convergence in this epoch.

650 By the assumption that no leaf taxa belong to more than one convergence group, there
 651 can be no more than one convergence group on any arbitrary 4-taxon CDM displayed on
 652 \mathcal{N} . Thus, taking into consideration $\mathcal{N}_{4,1}$ and $\mathcal{N}_{4,2}$ not being distinguishable and $\mathcal{N}_{4,3}$ and
 653 $\mathcal{N}_{4,4}$ not being distinguishable, we can conclude that any arbitrary 4-taxon CDM displayed
 654 on \mathcal{N} is not distinguishable from the 4-taxon CDM that results from suppressing any sister
 655 convergence group, which is one of CDM 1 – 3 of Figure 3.

656 Next, we establish that CDM 3 is identifiable under these assumptions. For this CDM,
 657 which we call $\mathcal{N}_{4,5}$ (see Mathematica file S12.nb (text version S13.txt)),

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} r_{0011} = x_4 x_5 x_6 x_7, \\ r_{0101} = x_2 x_3 x_4 x_6 x_8, \\ r_{0110} = x_7 x_8 (1 - x_6 (1 - x_2 x_3 x_5)), \\ r_{1001} = x_1 x_2 x_4, \\ r_{1010} = x_1 x_2 x_5 x_6 x_7, \\ r_{1100} = x_1 x_3 x_6 x_8, \\ r_{1111} = x_1 x_4 x_7 x_8 (x_2 (1 - x_6) + x_3 x_5 x_6). \end{array} \right.$$

658 In terms of the set of parameters $\{y_1, y_2, y_3, y_4, y_5, y_6, y_7, y_8, y_9\}$ of Section 3A.1,

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} r_{0011} = y_4 y_5 y_6, \\ r_{0101} = y_2 y_3 y_4 y_6, \\ r_{0110} = y_7 (1 - y_6) + y_2 y_3 y_5 y_6, \\ r_{1001} = y_1 y_2 y_4, \\ r_{1010} = y_1 y_2 y_5 y_6, \\ r_{1100} = y_1 y_3 y_6, \\ r_{1111} = y_1 (y_2 y_4 y_7 (1 - y_6) + y_3 y_5 y_6). \end{array} \right.$$

659 In S14.m2 (output file S15.txt) on <https://github.com/jonathanmitchell88/CDMsSI>, we
 660 see that the set of parameters $\{y_1, y_2, y_3, y_4, y_5, y_6, y_7\}$ is identifiable. It follows that CDMs
 661 1 and 2 are also identifiable.

662 Thus, using similar arguments to those of the proof of Theorem 7, with probability
 663 converging to 1, step 2 of Algorithm 2 infers all the 4-taxon CDMs with the outgroup that
 664 are displayed on \mathcal{N} after suppressing sister convergence groups.

665 If \mathcal{N} is a tree, then $s = 0$ in step 4 of Algorithm 2, the algorithm terminates and the
 666 tree is returned. If \mathcal{N} is not a tree, since $u = 1$, a potential convergence group on \mathcal{N} is only
 667 considered if, for all pairs of converging taxa in the convergence group, the inferred 4-taxon

668 CDMs with that pair of taxa as non-sisters all have the pair converging. Thus, asymptotically
 669 with probability 1, only convergence groups on \mathcal{N} can be on the inferred N -taxon CDM. If
 670 not all convergence groups of \mathcal{N} have been included on the inferred CDM, then there are
 671 some elements of \mathbf{O} that are non-zero corresponding to elements of \mathbf{E} that are zero. These
 672 elements correspond to the pairs of converging taxa in convergence groups of \mathcal{N} that are not
 673 yet on the inferred CDM. Including these convergence groups on the inferred CDM makes
 674 these elements of \mathbf{E} equal to the corresponding elements of \mathbf{O} , decreasing the sum of squared
 675 differences. Once all convergence groups of \mathcal{N} have been appended to the inferred CDM,
 676 $\mathbf{O} = \mathbf{E}$. Thus, no more convergence groups can be appended to the inferred CDM to decrease
 677 the sum of squared differences and the algorithm terminates.

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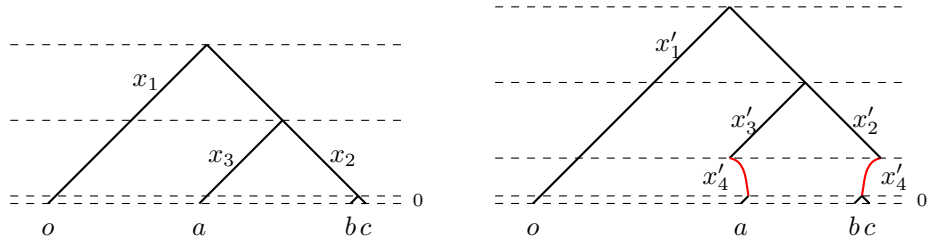


Fig. 2A Two CDMs that are not distinguishable under the assumptions of Theorem 13

13A Inferring convergence group orders on N -taxon CDMs

681 The next algorithms infer partial orders on the convergence groups and determine
 682 whether or not there is a convergence group in the tip epoch. CDMs 4 and 5 have two
 683 convergence groups and thus provide power to determine convergence group orders.
 684 Whether or not there is a convergence group in the tip epoch can also be determined

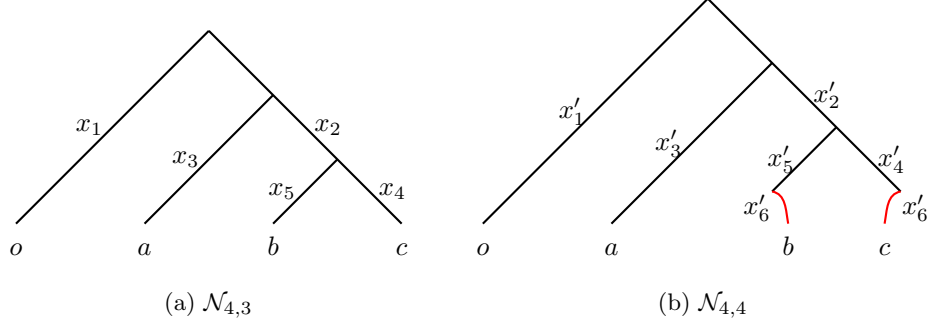


Fig. 3A Two CDMs that are not distinguishable under the assumptions of Theorem 13

685 from the inferred 4-taxon CDMs. For example, CDM 2 and CDM 3 differ by CDM 2
 686 having its convergence group in the tip epoch versus CDM 3 having its convergence
 687 group in the epoch before the tip epoch.

688 Suppose an inferred 4-taxon CDM has two non-sister convergence groups. One of
 689 the edges of the 4-taxon principal tree corresponds to a converging taxon in both
 690 convergence groups. The order of these convergence groups may not be determined by
 691 the matrix of edge partial orders from Algorithm 2. If the convergence group order is
 692 not determined, we determine which order is best supported by selecting CDMs from
 693 those with the appropriate convergence groups with a model selection procedure.

694 For convergence groups C_i and C_j , whose partial order has not been determined, we
 695 tally proportions of 4-taxon CDMs best supported by the two orders to obtain a matrix
 696 of “observed” convergence group order ratios. Convergence group orders are resolved
 697 in a stepwise fashion by minimizing the sum of squared differences between matrices
 698 of observed and “expected” partial convergence group order ratios. The matrix of
 699 inferred convergence group order ratios is updated after each convergence group order
 700 is inferred. We discard 4-taxon CDMs with convergence group orders not consistent
 701 with the matrix of inferred convergence group orders.

702 Suppose an arbitrary convergence group is $C_i = \{c_{1,i}, c_{2,i}\}$. On the N -taxon CDM,
 703 if $|c_{1,i}| > 1$ and/or $|c_{2,i}| > 1$ or C_i is in an epoch before another convergence group,

704 then C_i cannot be in the tip epoch. For other convergence groups, whether they are
705 in the tip epoch or not must be inferred.

706 For each 4-taxon CDM with a fixed leaf labeling with a possible convergence group
707 in the tip epoch, we determine which CDM is best supported among the two CDMs,
708 for example, CDM 2 versus CDM 3 or CDM 4 versus CDM 5. For C_i , we tally the 4-
709 taxon CDMs displaying the given convergence group with and without the convergence
710 group in the tip epoch.

711 If C_i corresponds to a greater proportion of 4-taxon CDMs with the convergence
712 group in the tip epoch than any other convergence group and the proportion is greater
713 than some cutoff, for example, half, then we infer that C_i is in the tip epoch. We
714 retain only one possible CDM for each 4-taxon set after the convergence group order
715 has been assigned and it has been determined which, if any, convergence group is in
716 the tip epoch.

717 Note that some convergence group orders may still be undefined. Suppose two
718 convergence groups do not have an order defined by the edge partial order of the
719 principal tree or the orders of other convergence groups. Suppose both convergence
720 groups are only ever present on 4-taxon CDMs where one convergence group is a sister
721 convergence group. Then there will be no information to resolve the order of these two
722 convergence groups. We leave these convergence group orders unresolved. Thus, we
723 have a *partial* order on the convergence groups. Algorithms 1A and 2A for inferring
724 convergence group orders and any convergence group in the tip epoch then follow.

725 We do not prove consistency of inference of the convergence group partial orders
726 from Algorithm 1A. This is because Theorem 13 assumes that no leaf taxa belong to
727 more than one convergence group. Thus, all 4-taxon CDMs displayed on \mathcal{N} have at
728 most one non-sister convergence group and there are no convergence group orders to
729 infer. Furthermore, we do not prove consistency of inference of the convergence groups
730 in the tip epoch.

Algorithm 1A Convergence group order inference

Input: N -taxon CDM $\hat{\mathcal{N}}$ comprising N -taxon topology of principal tree $\hat{\mathcal{T}}$ and list of convergence groups $\hat{\mathcal{G}}$, as well as $\binom{N-1}{3} \times 27$ matrix of model selection criterion values \mathbf{M} and matrix of partial edge orders \mathbf{P} .

1. Initialize empty list of inferred 4-taxon CDMs L_Q . Initialize $k \times k$ matrix of observed convergence group orders \mathbf{O} as zero matrix, where k is length of list $\hat{\mathcal{G}}$. Initialize $k \times k$ matrix \mathbf{E} of expected convergence group orders as convergence group orders defined by \mathbf{P} , with $[\mathbf{E}]_{ij} = 1$ if convergence group i before j and 0 otherwise.
2. For each 4-taxon set that includes outgroup o , with model selection criterion, select CDM from those displayed on $\hat{\mathcal{N}}$ and permitted by \mathbf{E} and append to L_Q .
3. For all i, j , compute $[\mathbf{O}]_{ij}$ as proportion of inferred 4-taxon CDMs displaying convergence groups i and j , where i is before j .
4. Compute initial sum of squared differences between elements of \mathbf{O} and \mathbf{E} , $s = \sum_{i=1}^k \sum_{j=1}^k ([\mathbf{O}]_{ij} - [\mathbf{E}]_{ij})^2$.
5. Assign new order between two convergence groups that minimizes s .
6. Update \mathbf{E} and s to reflect newly inferred convergence group order. Suppose new order is convergence group x before y . Then all convergence groups above x are also above y and all convergence groups below y are also below x . If no pairs of convergence groups left to assign orders to, terminate algorithm.
7. Return to Step 5.

Output: N -taxon CDM $\hat{\mathcal{N}}$ comprising N -taxon topology principal tree $\hat{\mathcal{T}}$ and list of convergence groups $\hat{\mathcal{G}}$, as well as $\binom{N-1}{3} \times 27$ matrix of model selection criterion values \mathbf{M} , matrix of partial edge orders \mathbf{P} and matrix of expected convergence group orders \mathbf{E} .

731 However, if all inferred 4-taxon CDMs that include the outgroup are the 4-taxon
732 CDMs displayed on the generating N -taxon CDM after suppressing sister convergence
733 groups, then it is straightforward to prove that Algorithm 1A correctly infers all
734 orders of convergence groups of the generating N -taxon CDM that can be determined
735 from the displayed 4-taxon CDMs. Furthermore, it is also straightforward to prove
736 that Algorithm 2A correctly infers which, if any, convergence group of the generating
737 N -taxon CDM is in the tip epoch.

738 14A Proof of Proposition 14

739 **Proposition 14** *All edge lengths of the principal tree of each of CDM 1 – 5 are identifiable.*

Algorithm 2A Inference of convergence groups in tip epochs

Input: N -taxon CDM $\hat{\mathcal{N}}$ comprising N -taxon topology principal tree $\hat{\mathcal{T}}$ and list of convergence groups $\hat{\mathcal{G}}$, as well as $\binom{N-1}{3} \times 27$ matrix of model selection criterion values \mathbf{M} , matrix of partial edge orders \mathbf{P} , matrix of expected convergence group orders \mathbf{E} and tolerance $\tau \in [0, 1]$.

1. Initialize empty list of inferred 4-taxon CDMs L_Q . Initialize vector \mathbf{D} of length k of convergence groups in tip epoch as zero vector, where k is length of list $\hat{\mathcal{G}}$.
2. For each 4-taxon set that includes outgroup o , select CDM from those displayed on $\hat{\mathcal{N}}$ and permitted by \mathbf{E} with model selection criterion and append to L_Q .
3. For all i , if convergence group $C_i = \{c_{1,i}, c_{2,i}\}$ satisfies $|c_{1,i}| = |c_{2,i}| = 1$ and is not before any other convergence group of $\hat{\mathcal{N}}$, compute $[\mathbf{D}]_i$ as proportion of inferred 4-taxon CDMs with C_i in tip epoch.
4. If $\max_{i \in \{1, 2, \dots, k\}} [\mathbf{D}]_i = [\mathbf{D}]_j$ and $D_j > \tau$, set $[\mathbf{D}]_j = 1$.

Output: N -taxon CDM $\hat{\mathcal{N}}$ comprising N -taxon topology principal tree $\hat{\mathcal{T}}$ and list of convergence groups $\hat{\mathcal{G}}$, as well as $\binom{N-1}{3} \times 27$ matrix of model selection criterion values \mathbf{M} , matrix of partial edge orders \mathbf{P} , matrix of expected convergence group orders \mathbf{E} and vector of convergence groups in tip epoch \mathbf{D} .

740 *Proof* Using the parameterization of Section 3A.1, for CDM 5, with principal tree

741 $(o, (a, (b, c)))$, the sums of edge lengths between leaf taxa are

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} d_{o,a} = l_1 + l_3 + l_6 + l_8 + l_9 + l_{11} = -\log(x_1 x_3 x_6 x_8 x_9 x_{11}) = -\log(y_1 y_3 y_6 y_8), \\ d_{o,b} = l_1 + l_2 + l_5 + l_6 + l_7 = -\log(x_1 x_2 x_5 x_6 x_7) = -\log(y_1 y_2 y_5 y_6), \\ d_{o,c} = l_1 + l_2 + l_4 + l_9 + l_{10} = -\log(x_1 x_2 x_4 x_9 x_{10}) = -\log(y_1 y_2 y_4 y_8), \\ d_{a,b} = l_2 + l_3 + l_5 + 2l_6 + l_7 + l_8 + l_9 + l_{11} = -\log(x_2 x_3 x_5 x_6^2 x_7 x_8 x_9 x_{11}) \\ \quad = -\log(y_2 y_3 y_5 y_6^2 y_8), \\ d_{a,c} = l_2 + l_3 + l_4 + l_6 + l_8 + 2l_9 + l_{10} + l_{11} = -\log(x_2 x_3 x_4 x_6 x_8 x_9^2 x_{10} x_{11}) \\ \quad = -\log(y_2 y_3 y_4 y_6 y_8^2), \\ d_{b,c} = l_4 + l_5 + l_6 + l_7 + l_9 + l_{10} = -\log(x_4 x_5 x_6 x_7 x_9 x_{10}) = -\log(y_4 y_5 y_6 y_8). \end{array} \right.$$

742 From Equations (8A), the set $\{y_1, y_2, y_3, y_4, y_5, y_6, y_7, y_8, y_9\}$ is identifiable. Thus, the set

743 $\{d_{o,a}, d_{o,b}, d_{o,c}, d_{a,b}, d_{a,c}, d_{b,c}\}$ is also identifiable for CDM 5. Solving for the lengths of the

744 edges of the principal tree,

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} l_o = \frac{1}{2} (d_{o,a} + d_{o,b} - d_{a,b}), \\ l_a = \frac{1}{2} (d_{o,a} - d_{o,b} + d_{a,b}), \\ l_b = \frac{1}{2} (d_{a,b} - d_{a,c} + d_{b,c}), \\ l_c = \frac{1}{2} (-d_{a,b} + d_{a,c} + d_{b,c}), \\ l_{bc} = \frac{1}{2} (-d_{o,a} + d_{o,b} + d_{a,c} - d_{b,c}), \end{array} \right.$$

745 where l_o is the sum of divergence parameters along the two edges of the principal tree whose
 746 parent node is the root, l_a , l_b and l_c are the sums of divergence and possibly convergence
 747 parameters along the terminal edges whose descendent leaf taxa are a , b and c respectively
 748 and l_{bc} is the sum of divergence parameters along the edge whose descendent leaf taxa are b
 749 and c .

750 It follows that all edge lengths are also identifiable for CDMs 1 – 4 since expressions for
 751 the sums of edge lengths are the same, except that some $y_i = 1$.

752 □

753 15A Proof of Proposition 15

754 **Proposition 15** *All convergence parameters of each of CDM 2 – 5 are identifiable.*

755 *Proof* On CDM 5, parameters $y_6 = x_6$ and $y_8 = x_9$ are identifiable. Thus, the convergence
 756 parameters $l_6 = a_6 + b_6 = -\log(y_6)$ and $l_9 = a_9 + b_9 = -\log(y_8)$ are identifiable. Thus, for
 757 all other CDMs with these convergence parameters, they are also identifiable. □

758 16A Proof of Proposition 16

759 **Proposition 16** *The root parameter $\gamma = [\Pi]_0 - [\Pi]_1$, where $[\Pi]_0$ and $[\Pi]_1$ are the*
 760 *probabilities of states 0 and 1 at the root, respectively, is identifiable on each of CDM 1 – 5.*

761 *Proof* From Equation (6A) for the phylogenetic tensor of CDM 5, $q_{0001} = q_{0010} = q_{0100} =$
762 $q_{1000} = \gamma$. Thus, γ is identifiable for CDM 5. Since all other CDMs are nested in CDM 5 and
763 none correspond to generic values of γ — instead they correspond to some generic values of
764 x_i or y_i — γ is also identifiable for CDMs 1 – 4. \square

765 17A Proof of Theorem 17

766 **Theorem 17** *Suppose CDM \mathcal{N} has topology of principal tree \mathcal{T} , convergence groups \mathcal{G} , prin-*
767 *cipal tree edge lengths \mathbf{l} , root parameter γ and convergence parameters \mathbf{v} . Suppose \mathcal{T} , \mathcal{G} ,*
768 *convergence group partial orders and tip epoch convergence groups of \mathcal{N} are input into Algo-*
769 *rithm 3. Suppose in step 4 of Algorithm 3 only 4-taxon sets for which 4-taxon CDMs displayed*
770 *on \mathcal{N} have no sister convergence are considered. Suppose that for each convergence group of*
771 *\mathcal{G} — say $C_a = \{c_{1,a}, c_{2,a}\}$ — there is at least one 4-taxon CDM displayed on \mathcal{N} with no*
772 *sister convergence where $x \in c_{1,a}$, $y \in c_{2,a}$ are non-sister leaf taxa on the displayed CDM.*
773 *Suppose further that matrix \mathbf{X} in step 6 of Algorithm 3 has rank $2N - 3$. Suppose $\hat{\mathbf{l}}$, $\hat{\gamma}$ and*
774 *$\hat{\mathbf{v}}$ are the estimates of \mathbf{l} , γ and \mathbf{v} , respectively, inferred by Algorithm 3. Then for any $\epsilon > 0$,*

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \mathbb{P} \left(\left| \hat{\mathbf{l}} - \mathbf{l} \right| > \epsilon \right) = 0, \quad \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \mathbb{P} (|\hat{\gamma} - \gamma| > \epsilon) = 0, \quad \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \mathbb{P} (|\hat{\mathbf{v}} - \mathbf{v}| > \epsilon) = 0,$$

775 where $\left| \hat{\mathbf{l}} - \mathbf{l} \right|$ and $|\hat{\mathbf{v}} - \mathbf{v}|$ involve l^1 norms.

776 *Proof* In step 4 of Algorithm 3, only 4-taxon sets that include the outgroup for which 4-taxon
777 CDMs displayed on \mathcal{N} have no sister convergence are considered. Thus, all such 4-taxon
778 CDMs displayed on \mathcal{N} are CDM 1 – 5. Since some 4-taxon sets may not be considered, we
779 cannot yet assume that all parameters are identifiable. However, for a given 4-taxon set that
780 is considered, from the proof of Proposition 14, all sums of edge lengths between leaf taxa in
781 the 4-taxon set are identifiable. From Propositions 15 and 16, all convergence parameters on
782 the 4-taxon CDM displayed on \mathcal{N} and the root parameter γ are also identifiable.

783 Thus, for the given 4-taxon set, the estimates of sums of edge lengths between taxa formed
784 from the sums of maximum likelihood estimates of parameters converge in probability to the
785 sums of edge lengths between taxa for \mathcal{N} . Likewise, the maximum likelihood estimates of the

convergence parameters converge in probability to the convergence parameters on \mathcal{N} and the maximum likelihood estimate of γ also converges in probability to γ . Thus, it follows that when averaging over all 4-taxon sets that are considered, the estimates of the sums of edge lengths between taxa converge in probability to the values for \mathcal{N} .

Now, since the matrix \mathbf{X} has rank $2N - 3$, $\mathbf{X}^T \mathbf{X}$ is invertible. It follows that $\hat{\mathbf{l}}$ also converges in probability to \mathbf{l} in step 7 of Algorithm 3. By assumption, for each convergence group of \mathcal{G} there is at least one 4-taxon CDM displayed on \mathcal{N} where two converging taxa of the convergence group are non-sister taxa and there is no sister convergence. Thus, each convergence parameter of $\hat{\mathbf{v}}$ is estimated at least once. Thus, $\hat{\mathbf{v}}$ converges in probability to \mathbf{v} . Finally, since γ is fixed across all 4-taxon CDMs displayed on \mathcal{N} , to be consistently estimated it only needs to be estimated for one 4-taxon CDM displayed on \mathcal{N} . Thus, $\hat{\gamma}$ converges in probability to γ .

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