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Likelihood in Phylogenetics

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Probability density

The **expected number** of substitutions/site equals the total substitution **rate** multiplied by **time**

v = (subst. rate)(time)

Average of 10 values

average =
$$\frac{1+2+4+3+4+3+2+4+3+4}{10}$$
$$= (0) \left(\frac{0}{10}\right) + (1) \left(\frac{1}{10}\right) + (2) \left(\frac{2}{10}\right) + (3) \left(\frac{3}{10}\right) (4) \left(\frac{4}{10}\right) + (5) \left(\frac{0}{10}\right) + \cdots$$

Expected value of a random variable X

$$E[X] = (0)p(0) + (1)p(1) + (2)p(2) + (3)p(3) + (4)p(4) + \cdots$$

Expected value is same as the simple average if the probabilities used are sample relative frequencies

Expected number of substitutions if only an instant of time is considered (only 0 or 1 substitutions possible):

$$E[X] = (0)p(0) + (1)p(1) = p(1)$$

Note that probability of a substitution equals the expected number of substitutions in this case

$$p(\mathrm{subst.}) = \lambda dt$$
 substitution rate instant of time

Revisiting your simulations from yesterday

Yesterday you drew a uniform random variable *u* (using your 10-sided die) and transformed it to obtain a time distributed as an Exponential distribution with rate lambda

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0

A statistician would write

$$t \sim \text{Exponential}(\lambda)$$

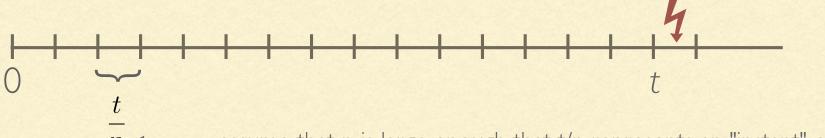
and also would say that the probability density of t is

$$p(t|\lambda) = \lambda e^{-\lambda t}$$

What is a probability density and where did that e come from?

$$p(t|\lambda) = \lambda e^{-\lambda t}$$

Start by imagining that the interval 0 to t is divided into n equal segments and our substitution occurs in the very next segment:



 $n \leftarrow$ assume that n is large enough that t/n represents an "instant" of time

The probability that a substitution falls in any segment is

 $\lambda \frac{t}{n}$

The probability that there is no substitution in a given segment is thus

 $1-\lambda \frac{\iota}{n}$

The probability that *no substitution* occurred in *any* of the *n* segments is thus

 $\left(1 - \lambda \frac{t}{n}\right)^n \approx e^{-\lambda t}$

The approximation shown above works well if n is large (and we can set n equal to infinity if we like).

More generally,

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} \left(1 + \frac{a}{n} \right)^n = e^a$$

We're using $a = -\lambda t$

You can approximate Euler's constant e by just calculating the above quantity using a = 1 and a large value of n: for example, for n = 1000000, the formula gives 2.71828047



We now have the probability that no substitution occurred in any of the n segments spanning the interval 0 to t, so all we need now is the probability that a substitution **did occur** in the very next instant of time, which is just $\lambda \, dt$, where dt is an infinitesimal time period.

The probability of seeing any substitution at exactly time t is

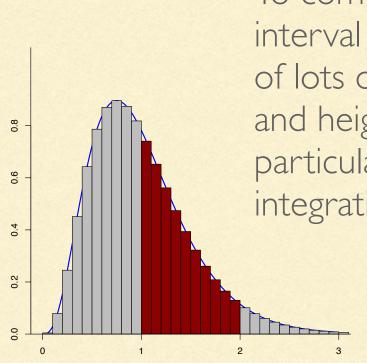
$$e^{-\lambda t} \left(\lambda \ dt \right)$$

This can be factored into a probability **density** and dt:

$$(\lambda e^{-\lambda t}) dt$$

A probability density allows you to calculate a probability if multiplied by a time interval, much like the density of gold allows you to compute the mass of gold in a specified volume.

A big difference is that gold has the same density throughout, whereas the probability density is only valid for one value of t; the density continuously changes with t.



To compute the probability that t is in the interval I to 2 we need to add up the volumes of lots of rectangles each of which has width *dt* and height equal to the density function at a particular value of *t* (i.e. we need to do integration):

$$\Pr\left(1 \le t \le 2\right) = \int_0^1 \lambda e^{-\lambda t} dt$$

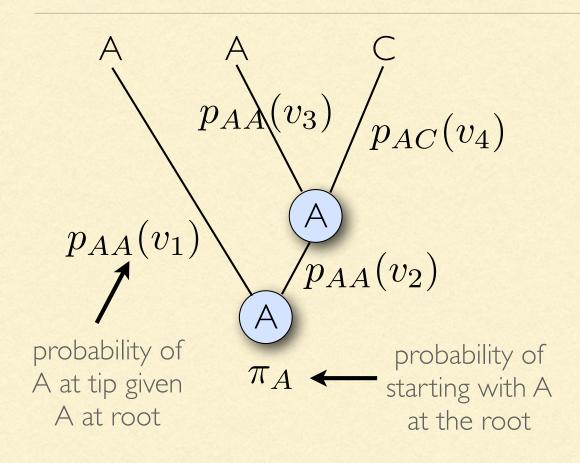
Probability

Probabilities: the AND rule

Rolling 2 dice, what is the probability of seeing (simultaneously) a I on the first die and a 6 on the second die?



AND rule in phylogenetics

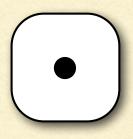


One use of the AND rule in phylogenetics is to combine probabilities associated with individual branches to produce the overall probability of the data for one site.

$$Pr(A, A, C, A, A) = \pi_A \ p_{AA}(v_1) \ p_{AA}(v_2) \ p_{AA}(v_3) \ p_{AC}(v_4)$$

Probabilities: the OR rule

Rolling I die, what is the probability of seeing either a I or a 6?

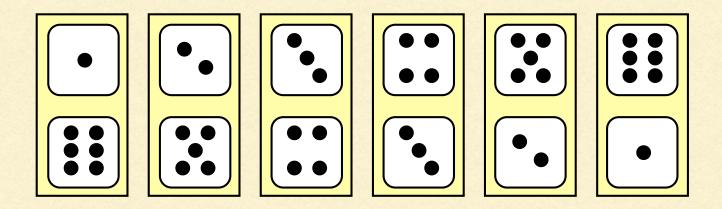




$$+ \qquad (1/6) =$$

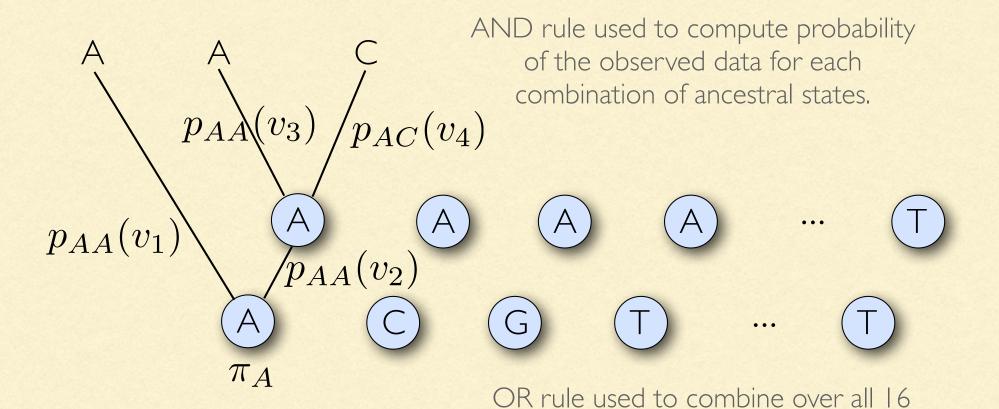
Combining AND and OR

What is the probability that the sum of two dice is 7?



$$(1/36) + (1/36) + (1/36) + (1/36) + (1/36) + (1/36) + (1/36) = 1/6$$

Using both AND and OR in phylogenetics



Pr(A,A,C) = Pr(A,A,C,A,A) + Pr(A,A,C,A,C) + ... + Pr(A,A,C,T,T)

combinations of ancestral states.

Independence

$$Pr(A, B) = Pr(A) Pr(B)$$

Probability of flipping a coin twice and getting heads both times:

$$Pr(H,H) = Pr(H) Pr(H)$$

Non-independence

$$\Pr(A,B) = \Pr(A)\Pr(B|A)$$

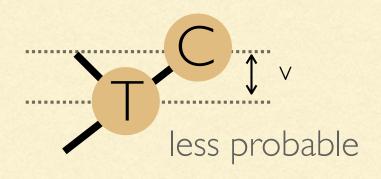
† conditional probability of A and B of B given A

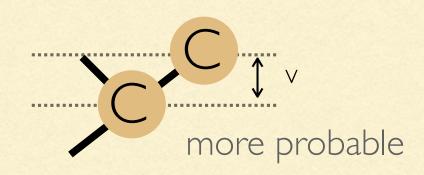
Pr(walk to work|sunny) = 0.99 Pr(walk to work|raining) = 0.50

Non-independence in phylogenies

Normally, for a given rate of substitution and time, the probability of the end state is dependent on the starting state

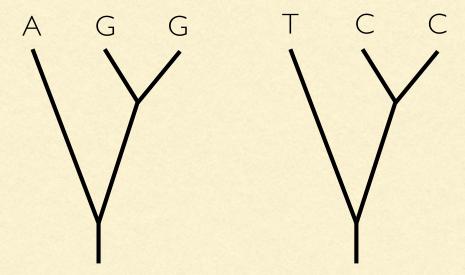
$$p_{CC}(v) > p_{TC}(v)$$
common notation for transition probabilities





Conditional Independence

$$Pr(A,B|C) = Pr(A|C) Pr(B|C)$$



Pr(AGG,TCC|tree) = Pr(AGG|tree) Pr(TCC|tree)

Back to your simulations...

You first chose a waiting time t until the next substitution, and then you used your dice again to choose which nucleotide was actually substituted (G in the case shown below)



To make this choice, we need to calculate the conditional probability of an $A \rightarrow G$ substitution **given** that a substitution occurred. We can manipulate a formula shown previously to get the conditional probability we want:

$$Pr(A, B) = Pr(A) Pr(B|A) \longrightarrow Pr(B|A) = \frac{Pr(A, B)}{Pr(A)}$$

Replacing A with "substitution" and B with " $A \rightarrow G$ "

$$\Pr(A \to G | \text{substitution}) = \frac{\Pr(A \to G, \text{substitution})}{\Pr(\text{substitution})}$$

$$\Pr(A \to G, \text{substitution}) \text{ equals}$$

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$$\Pr(A \to G, \text{substitution})$$

$$r_{AG}dt$$

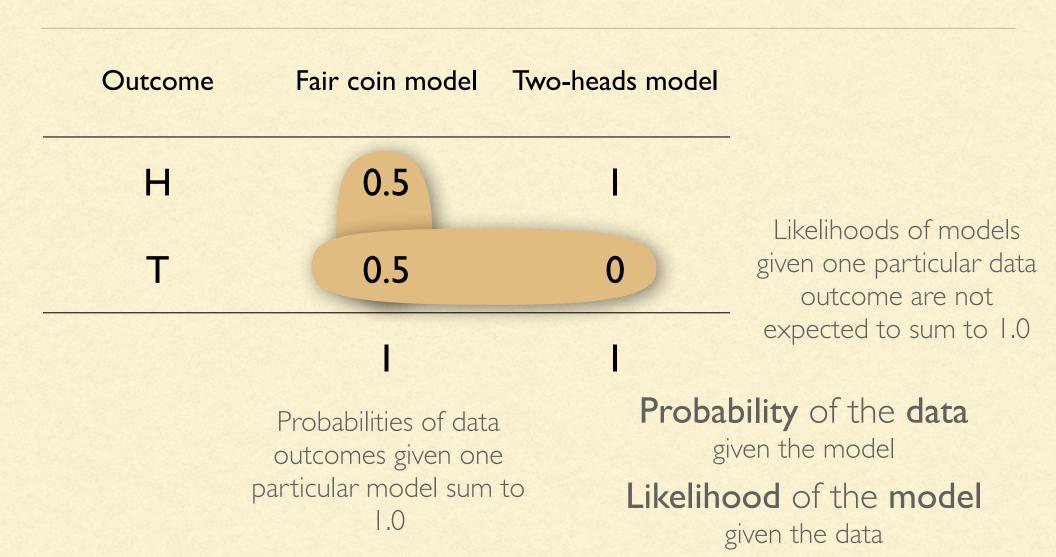
$$r_{AG}dt + r_{AG}dt + r_{AT}dt$$

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The probability of any substitution at exactly time t is λdt , but the rate of any substitution (λ) is just the sum of the rates of all possible substitutions ($r_{AC} + r_{AG} + r_{AT}$)



Why do we need the term likelihood?



Likelihood of a single vertex

First 32 nucleotides of the $\psi\eta$ -globin gene of gorilla:

GAAGTCCTTGAGAAATAAACTGCACACACTGG

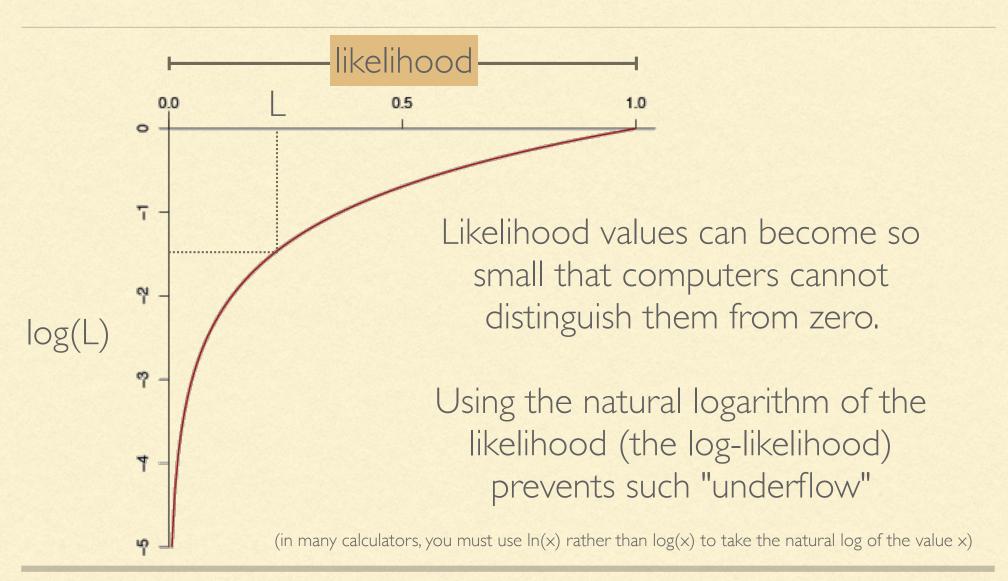
$$L = \Pr(G) \Pr(A) \Pr(A) \Pr(G) \Pr(T) \cdots \Pr(G)$$

$$L = \pi_G \; \pi_A \; \pi_A \; \pi_G \; \pi_T \; \cdots \; \pi_G$$

$$L = \pi_A^{12} \ \pi_C^7 \ \pi_G^7 \ \pi_T^6$$

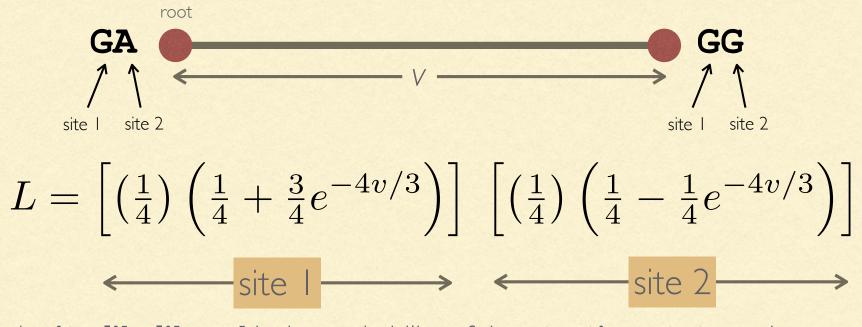
$$\log L = 12\log(\pi_A) + 7\log(\pi_C) + 7\log(\pi_G) + 6\log(\pi_T)$$

Natural logarithm



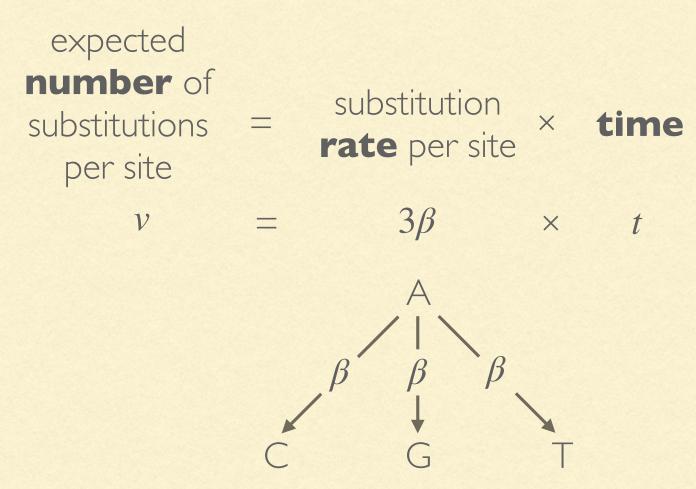
Likelihood of a single-edge tree

Two nodes have sequence data (but only for two sites)



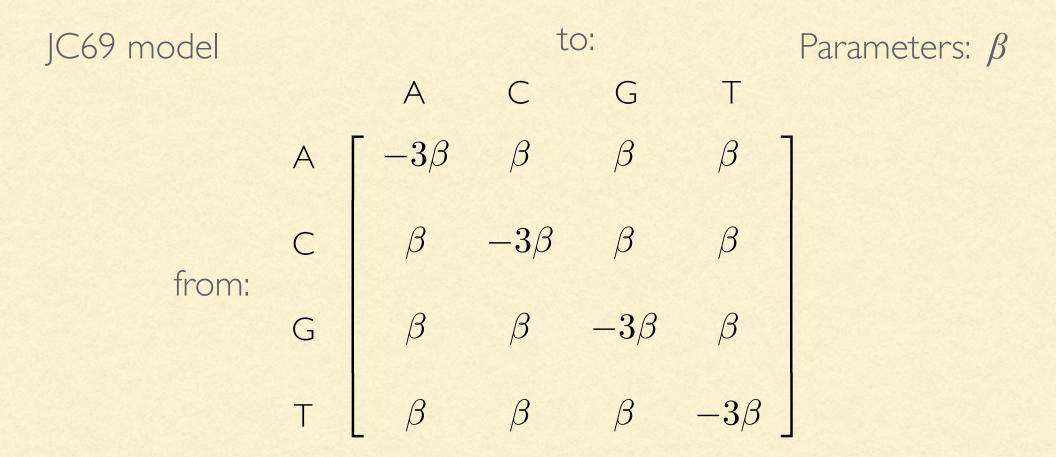
Each **site likelihood** is the probability of the **starting state** at the root (1/4) times the **transition probability** (probability of the end state given the starting state)

What is the edge length v?



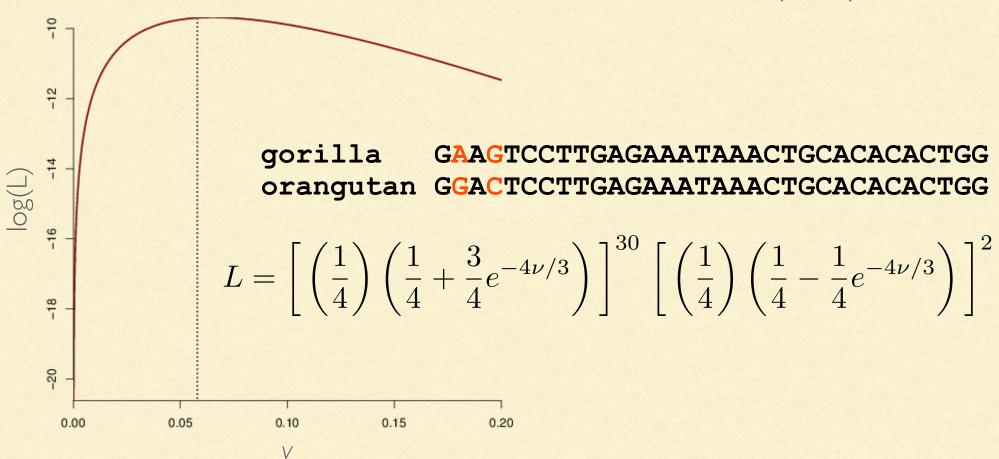
3 possible substitutions, each of which happens with rate β

Jukes and Cantor (1969)



Maximum likelihood estimation

0.065 is the maximum likelihood estimate (MLE) of v

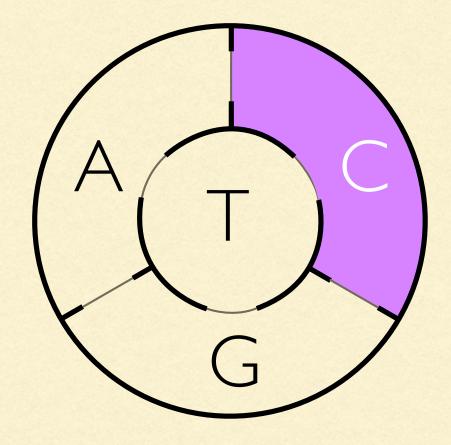


Equilibrium Frequencies

Imagine a bottle of perfume has been spilled in room C.

The doors to the other rooms are closed, so the perfume has, thus far, not been able to spread.

What would happen if we opened all the doors?



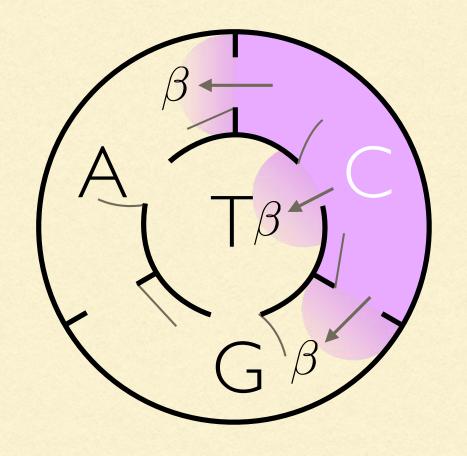
Architect: Joe Bielawski

Equilibrium Frequencies

At the instant the doors open, perfume molecules...

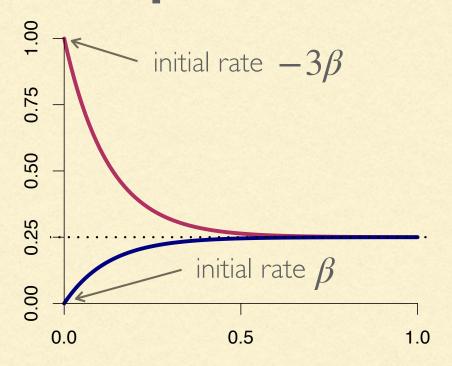
enter room A at rate β enter room T at rate β enter room G at rate β enter room C at rate -3β

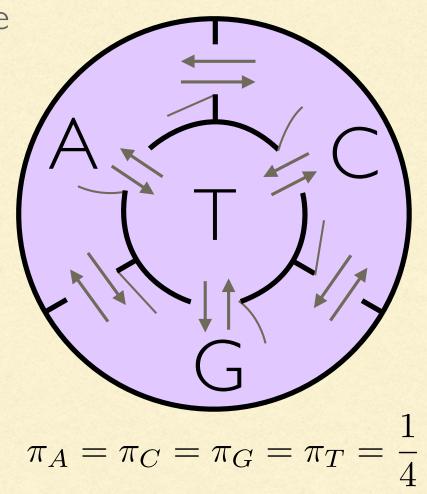
(you could also say they leave C at rate 3β)



Equilibrium Frequencies

At **equilibrium**, the relative concentration of perfume is **equal** in all rooms





Transition probability demo

https://plewis.github.io/applets/jc-transition-probabilities/

Sequence data for four taxa

one site

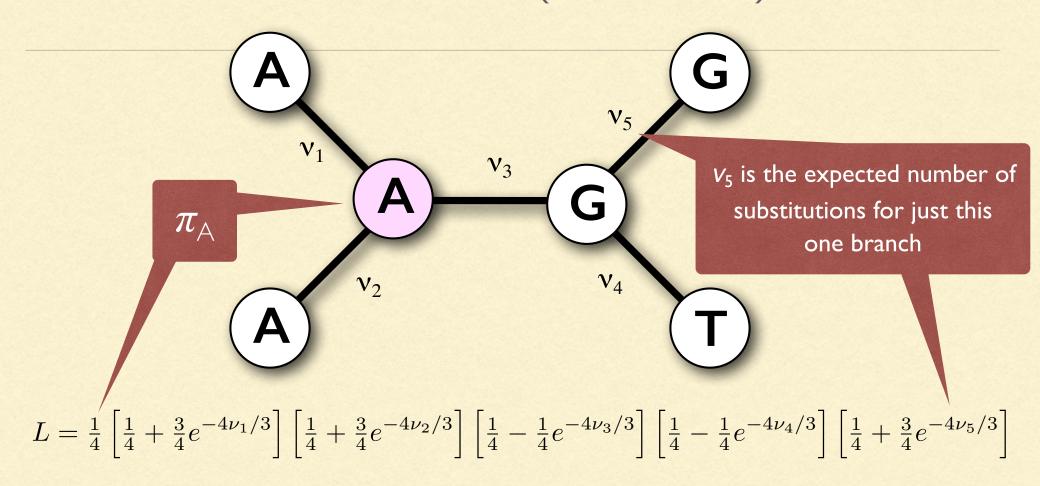
Sphagnum GGCAGCATTTCGAATGACTCCTCAACCTGGAG! A CCACCCG...

Asplenium GGCAGCTTTCCGGATGACCCCACAACCCGGAG! A CCAGCTG...

Picea GGCAGCATTCCGAGTAACTCCTCAACCAGGGG! G CCGCCCG...

Avena GGCAGCATTCCGAGTAACTCCTCAACCTGGGG! T CCGCCGG...

Likelihood for tree (one site)



Total likelihood

Jukes and Cantor (1969)

JC69 model Parameters: β to: from:

Kimura (1980)

K80 (or K2P) model

Parameters: α , β

	Α	С	G	Т
Α	$-\alpha - 2\beta$	eta	α	β
С	β	$-\alpha - 2\beta$	β	α
G	α	β	$-\alpha - 2\beta$	β
Т	lacksquare	α	β	$-\alpha - 2\beta$

Kimura (1980)

K80 (or K2P) model

$$\kappa = \alpha/\beta$$

Parameters: κ , β

A

C

G

A
$$\lceil -\beta(\kappa+2) \rceil$$

 β

 $\kappa\beta$

 β

C

 β

 $-\beta(\kappa+2)$

B

 $\kappa \beta$

G

 $\kappa \beta$

 β

 $-\beta(\kappa+2)$

B

T

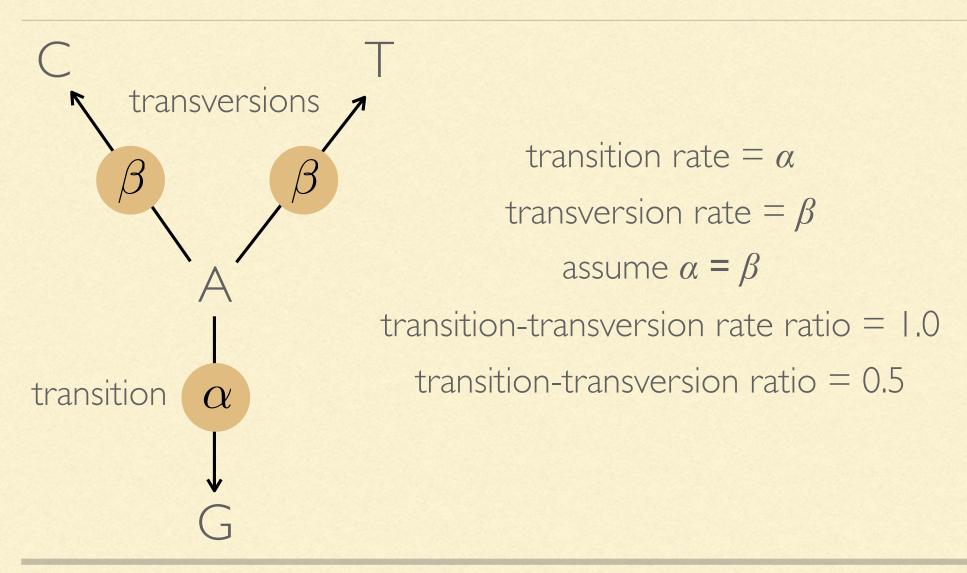
B

 $\kappa\beta$

B

 $-\beta(\kappa+2)$

Transition-transversion (rate) ratio



Felsenstein (1981)

F81 model Parameters: μ , π_A , π_C , π_G $\pi_C \mu$ $\pi_G \mu$ $\pi_T \mu$ $-\mu(1-\pi_C)$ $\pi_A \mu$ $\pi_G \mu$ $\pi_T \mu$ $-\mu(1-\pi_G)$ $\pi_C \mu$ $\pi_A \mu$ $\pi_T \mu$ $-\mu(1-\pi_T)$ $\pi_A \mu$ $\pi_G \mu$ $\pi_C \mu$

JC69 is a special case of F81

Hasegawa, Kishino, and Yano (1985)

HKY85 model

Parameters: μ , κ , π_A , π_C , π_G these are global

one parameter in each model is associated with the length of an edge

hese are globa parameters (apply to all edge lengths)

	A	C	G	Т
Α	$-\mu \left(\pi_C + \pi_G \kappa + \pi_T\right)$	$\pi_C \mu$	$\pi_G \mu \kappa$	$\pi_T \mu$
C	$\pi_A \mu$	$-\mu \left(\pi_A + \pi_G + \pi_T \kappa\right)$	$\pi_G \mu$	$\pi_T \mu \kappa$
G	$\pi_A \mu \kappa$	$\pi_C \mu$	$-\mu \left(\pi_A \kappa + \pi_C + \pi_T\right)$	$\pi_T \mu$
Τ	$\pi_A \mu$	$\pi_C \mu \kappa$	$\pi_G \mu$	$-\mu \left(\pi_A + \pi_C \kappa + \pi_G\right)$

Tavaré (1986)

GTR model

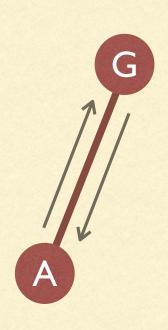
A C G T

A $\begin{bmatrix} - & \pi_C \mu a & \pi_G \mu b & \pi_T \mu c \end{bmatrix}$ C $\begin{bmatrix} \pi_A \mu a & - & \pi_G \mu d & \pi_T \mu e \end{bmatrix}$ G $\begin{bmatrix} \pi_A \mu b & \pi_C \mu d & - & \pi_T \mu f \end{bmatrix}$ T $\begin{bmatrix} \pi_A \mu c & \pi_C \mu e & \pi_G \mu f & - & \pi_G \mu f & - & \pi_G \mu f \end{bmatrix}$

Parameters: ?

exchangeability parameters are circled

Time reversibility



Time reversibility means...

$$Pr(A) Pr(G|A, v) = Pr(G) Pr(A|G, v)$$

Time reversibility allows any point on the tree to serve as the root, and thus has some practical advantages, but time reversibility is not a requirement for substitution models used in phylogenetics

Rate heterogeneity

Green plant rbcL gene

First 88 amino acids (translation is for Zea mays)

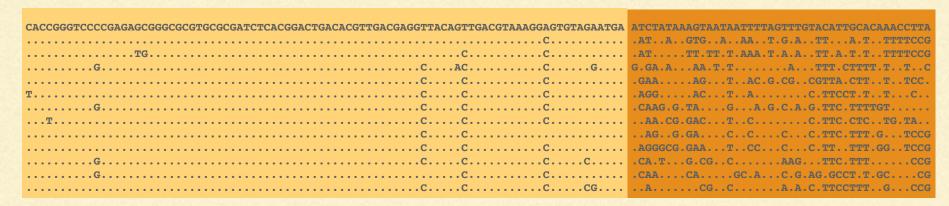
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{\tt M--S-P-Q-T-E-T-K-A-S-V-G-F-K-A-G-V-K-D-Y-K-L-T-Y-Y-T-P-E-Y-E-T-K-D-T-D-I-L-A-A-F-R-V-T-P-E-Y-E-T-K-D-T-D-I-L-A-A-R-F-R-V-T-P-R-V-T-P-R-V-T-P-R-V-T-P-R-V-T-P-R-V-T-P-R-V-T-P-R-V-T-P-R-V-T-P-R-V-T-P-R-V-T-P-R-V-T-P-R-V-T-P-R-V-T-P-R-V-T-P-R-V-T-P-R-V-T-P-R-V-T-P-R-V-T-P-R-V-T-P-R-V-T-P-R-V-T-P-R-V-T-P-R-V-T-P-R-V-T-P-R-V-T-P-R-V-T-P-R-V-T-P-R-V-T-P-R-V-T-P-R-V-T-P-R-V-T-P-R-V-T-P-R-V-T-P-R-V-T-P-R-V-T-P-R-V-T-P-R-V-T-P-R-V-T-P-R-V-T-P-R-V-T-P-R-V-T-P-R-V-T-P-R-V-T-P-R-V-T-P-R-V-T-P-R-V-T-P-R-V-T-P-R-V-T-P-R-V-T-P-R-V-T-P-R-V-T-P-R-V-T-P-R-V-T-P-R-V-T-P-R-V-T-P-R-V-T-P-R-V-T-P-R-V-T-P-R-V-T-P-R-V-T-P-R-V-T-P-R-V-T-P-R-V-T-P-R-V-T-P-R-V-T-P-R-V-T-P-R-V-T-P-R-V-T-P-R-V-T-P-R-V-T-P-R-V-T-P-R-V-T-P-R-V-T-P-R-V-T-P-R-V-T-P-R-V-T-P-R-V-T-P-R-V-T-P-R-V-T-P-R-V-T-P-R-V-T-P-R-V-T-P-R-V-T-P-R-V-T-P-R-V-T-P-R-V-T-P-R-V-T-P-R-V-T-P-R-V-T-P-R-V-T-P-R-V-T-P-R-V-T-P-R-V-T-P-R-V-T-P-R-V-T-P-R-V-T-P-R-V-T-P-R-V-T-P-R-V-T-P-R-V-T-P-R-V-T-P-R-V-T-P-R-V-T-P-R-V-T-P-R-V-T-P-R-V-T-P-R-V-T-P-R-V-T-P-R-V-T-P-R-V-T-P-R-V-T-P-R-V-T-P-R-V-T-P-R-V-T-P-R-V-T-P-R-V-T-P-R-V-T-P-R-V-T-P-R-V-T-P-R-V-T-P-R-V-T-P-R-V-T-P-R-V-T-P-R-V-T-P-R-V-T-P-R-V-T-P-R-V-T-P-R-V-T-P-R-V-T-P-R-V-T-P-R-V-T-P-R-V-T-P-R-V-T-P-R-V-T-P-R-V-T-P-R-V-T-P-R-V-T-P-R-V-T-P-R-V-T-P-R-V-T-P-R-V-T-P-R-V-T-P-R-V-T-P-R-V-T-P-R-V-T-P-R-V-T-P-R-V-T-P-R-V-T-P-R-V-T-P-R-V-T-P-R-V-T-P-R-V-T-P-R-V-T-P-R-V-T-P-R-V-T-P-R-V-T-P-R-V-T-P-R-V-T-P-R-V-T-P-R-V-T-P-R-V-T-P-R-V-T-P-R-V-T-P-R-V-T-P-R-V-T-P-R-V-T-P-R-V-T-P-R-V-T-P-R-V-T-P-R-V-T-P-R-V-T-P-R-V-T-P-R-V-T-P-R-V-T-P-R-V-T-P-R-V-T-P-R-V-T-P-R-V-T-P-R-V-T-P-R-V-T-P-R-V-T-P-R-V-T-P-R-V-T-P-R-V-T-P-R-V-T-P-R-V-T-P-R-V-T-R-V-T-R-V-T-R-V-T-R-V-T-R-V-T-R-V-T-R-V-T-R-V-T-R-V-T-R-V-T-R-V-T-R-V-T-R-V-T-R-V-T-R-V-T-R-V-T-R-V-T-R-V-T-R-V-T-R-V-T-R-V-T-R-V-T-R-V-T-R-V-T-R-V-T-R-V-T-R-V-T-R-V-T-R-V-T-R-V-T-R-V-T-R-V-T-R-V-T-R-V-T-R-V-T-R-V-T-R-V-T-R-V-T-R-V-T-R-V-T-R-V-T-R-V-T-R-V-T-R-V-T-R-V-T-R-V-T-R-V-T-R-V-T-R-V-T-R-V-T-R-V-T-R-V-T-R-V-T-R-V-T-R-V-T-R-V-T-R-V-T-R-V-T-R-V-T-R-V-T-R-V-T-R-V-T-R-V-T-R-V-T-R-V-T-R-V-T-R-V-T-R-V-T-R-V-T-R-V-T-R-
Chara
              (green alga; land plant lineage)
                                             AAAGATTACAGATTAACTTACTATACTCCTGAGTATAAAACTAAAGATACTGACATTTTAGCTGCATTTCGTGTAACTCCA
                                             .....C....C.T...A...G...C.....T...CC...C.A......C....T...C.T...A...G...C...A.G.....T
Chlorella
              (green alga)
                                             ......TC.T....A....C..A.....C..GT.GTA.....C......C...A.....A.G.....
Volvox
              (green alga)
              (liverwort)
                                             Conocephalum
Bazzania
              (moss)
                                             Anthoceros
              (hornwort)
Osmunda
              (fern)
                                             Lycopodium
              (club "moss")
                                             .\mathsf{GG}.\dots\dots\dots.\mathsf{C.T..C.}\dots.\mathsf{T.\dots.G..C.}\dots\mathsf{A..C..T.\dots.C.G..A}\dots\dots\mathsf{AA.G.\dots.T}
Ginkgo
              (gymnosperm; Ginkgo biloba)
                                             Picea
              (gymnosperm; spruce)
                                             Iris
              (flowering plant)
                                             Asplenium
              (fern; spleenwort)
                                             Nicotiana
                                             (flowering plant; tobacco)
O-L-G-V-P-P-E-E-A-G-A-A-V-A-A-E-S-S-T-G-T-W-T-T-T-V-W-T-D-G-L-T-S-L-D-R-Y-K-G-R-C-Y-H-I-E-
    \dots \text{A..G.} \dots \text{C.T.C.T.C.T.C.T.T.T.T.} \dots \text{G.} \dots \text{T.C.C.C.G}
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All 4 bases are observed at some sites...

...while at other sites, only I base is observed

Site-specific rates

Each defined subset (e.g. 1st+2nd pos. versus 3rd pos.) has its own relative rate



r₁ applies to subset I Ist+2nd codon positions (sites I - 88) r₂ applies to subset 2 3rd codon positions (sites 89-132)

Relative rates have mean I.0:
$$r_1 \ p(r_1) + r_2 \ p(r_2) = 1$$

Site-specific rates

$$L = p(\mathbf{y}_1|r_1)\cdots p(\mathbf{y}_{88}|r_1) \ p(\mathbf{y}_{89}|r_2)\cdots p(\mathbf{y}_{132}|r_2)$$

1st+2nd codon positions

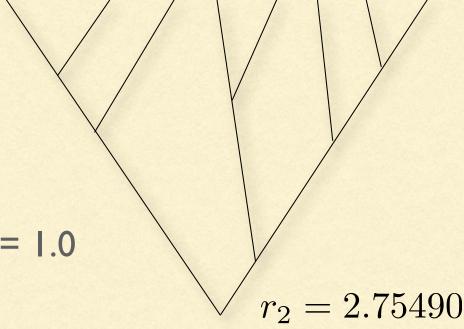
3rd codon positions



$$r_1 = 0.12255$$

mean relative rate:

$$(0.12255)(2/3) + (2.75490)(1/3) = 1.0$$



Site-specific rates

JC69 transition probabilities that would be used for every site if rate *homo*geneity were assumed:

$$P_{ii}(t) = \frac{1}{4} + \frac{3}{4}e^{-4\beta t} \quad \text{C} \quad \text{identity} \quad \text{C}$$

$$P_{ij}(t) = \frac{1}{4} - \frac{1}{4}e^{-4\beta t} \quad \text{C} \quad \text{difference} \quad \text{T}$$

Site specific rates

JC69 transition probabilities that would be used for sites in subset 1:

$$P_{ii}(t) = \frac{1}{4} + \frac{3}{4}e^{-4r_1\beta t}$$

$$P_{ij}(t) = \frac{1}{4} - \frac{1}{4}e^{-4r_1\beta t}$$

JC69 transition probabilities that would be used for sites in subset 2:

$$P_{ii}(t) = \frac{1}{4} + \frac{3}{4}e^{-4r_2\beta t}$$

$$P_{ij}(t) = \frac{1}{4} - \frac{1}{4}e^{-4r_2\beta t}$$

Mixture models

All k relative rates applied to every site

O-L-G-V-P-P-E-E-A-G-A-A-V-A-A-E-S-S-T-G-	GTWT- <mark>-</mark> TVWTDGLTSLDRYKGRCYHIE
CAACCTGGCGTTCCACCTGAAGAAGCAGGGGCTGCAGTAGCTGCAGAATCTTCTACTGG	GGTACATGGAC <mark>TA</mark> CTGTTTGGACTGACGGATTAACTAGTTTGGACCGATACAAAGGAAGATGCTACGATATTGAA
***************************************	T
***************************************	ATAATTTAC.TTT
GAA	CGTCCTGC.TAC.CTTTCTCC
TAGG	TTC
CAAGGGTA	AG
CATG	
CAAG	ATGCC
	AACTCTCTT

site i

$$L_i = p(\mathbf{y}_i|r_1)p(r_1) + p(\mathbf{y}_i|r_2)p(r_2) + \dots + p(\mathbf{y}_i|r_k)p(r_k)$$

Common examples

Invariable sites (I) model

Discrete Gamma (G) model

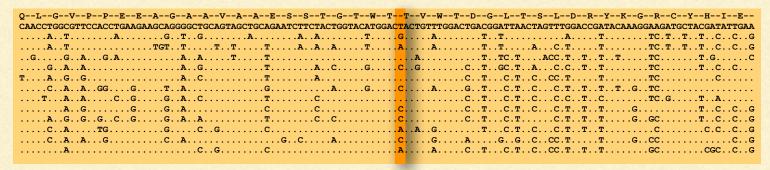
Invariable sites model (Reeves 1992)

$$L_i = p(\mathbf{y}_i|r_1)p(r_1) + p(\mathbf{y}_i|r_2)p(r_2)$$

$$L_i = p(\boldsymbol{y}_i|0.0)p_{\text{invar}} + p(\boldsymbol{y}_i|r_2)(1 - p_{\text{invar}})$$

Discrete Gamma model (Yang 1994)

No relative rate is exactly 0.0, and all are equally probable

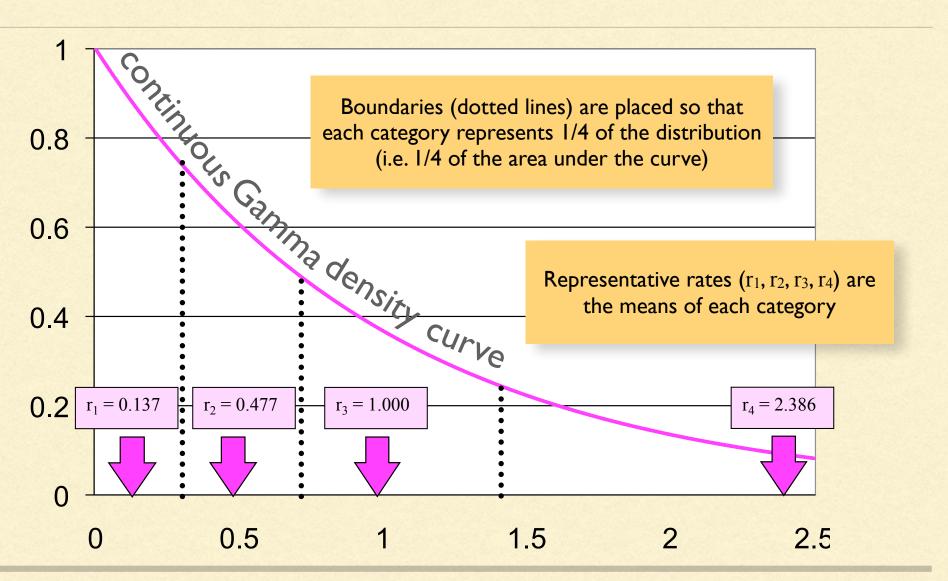


site i

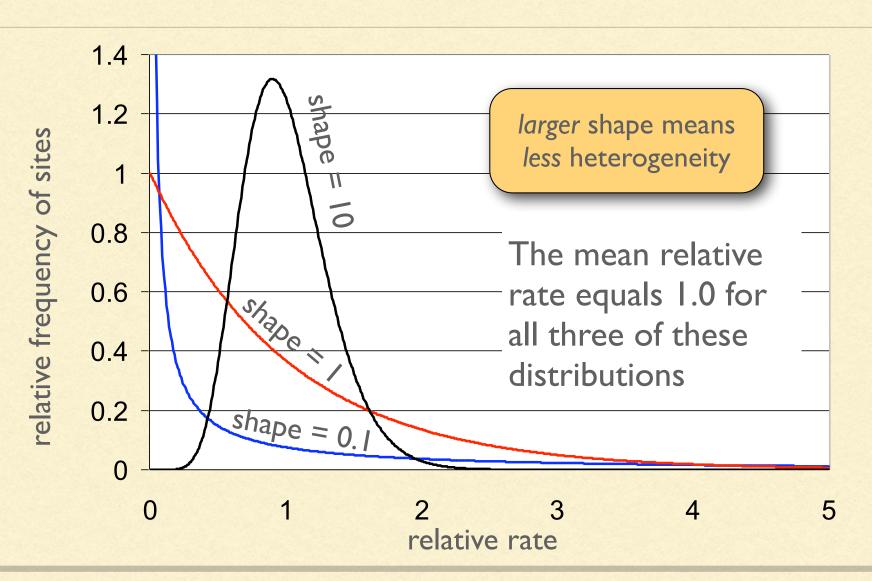
$$L_i = p(\mathbf{y}_i|r_1) \left(\frac{1}{4}\right) + p(\mathbf{y}_i|r_2) \left(\frac{1}{4}\right) + p(\mathbf{y}_i|r_3) \left(\frac{1}{4}\right) + p(\mathbf{y}_i|r_4) \left(\frac{1}{4}\right)$$

Relative rates are determined by a discrete gamma distribution Number of rate categories can vary (4 used here)

Relative rates in 4-category case



Gamma distributions



~ Coffee Break ~