Yellowstone Birds

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This is an example to use rphylotastic tools to contextualize phylogenetic relationships. The main packages are not yet installable via CRAN, so to install them you have to use the install_github function from the package devtools:

```
install.packages("devtools") # this installs devtools package
library(devtools) # this loads the package contents into the workspace
# the following two lines install datelife and rphylotastic from development repositories
install_github("phylotastic/datelife")
install_github("phylotastic/rphylotastic")

library(datelife)
library(rphylotastic)
```

Now, say you are hiking in Yellowstone with your students, and yu want them to get the phylogenetic relationships of the organisms they spotted during the hike. The function taxa_common_to_sicentific will get the scientific names from common names you provide. In this example, the student is interested in birds:

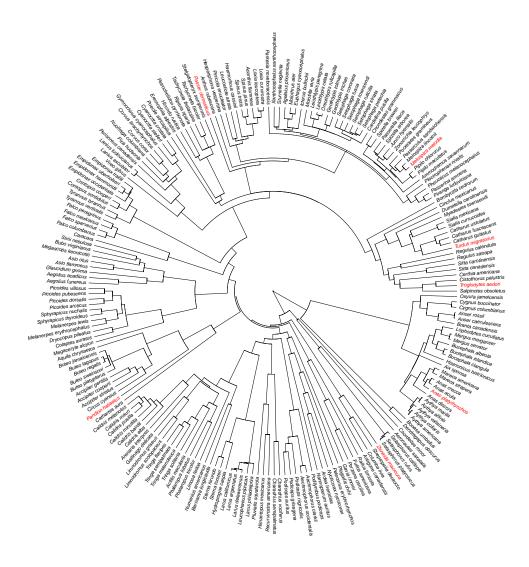
This gets the species that will provide phylogenetic context to the focal species:

```
yellowstone_birds <- url_get_scientific_names(URL=
    "https://www.nps.gov/yell/learn/nature/upload/BirdChecklist2014.pdf")</pre>
```

Then, we will get the tree with dates containing both the focal species and their phylogenetic context

```
yellowstone_bird_tree <- datelife::datelife_search(
   taxa_get_otol_tree(yellowstone_birds), summary_format
   = "phylo_median")</pre>
```

To plot the tree you will need some ape package functions:



We can add taxonomic labels such as family names. If you have a table with the corresponding families to each species on the tip of the tree, you can type it in as a vector, or read it with read.table function. If you do not have that info, you can pull it using a datelife function called get_ott_clade.

Then, we will make a list of species within families, to feed to the function that will plot the arcs: We will call this list tipsies

```
families = unique(names(yellowstone_bird_fams$family))
tipsies = sapply(families, function(x)
    yellowstone_bird_tree$tip.label[names(yellowstone_bird_fams$family)%in%x])
```

Now we are gonna set the colors of the arc lines in the variable arc_grays and their position in arc_line_offset:

```
seede = set.seed(100)
arc_grays = sample(gray.colors(n = length(tipsies)), length(tipsies))
arc_line_offset = rep(1.63, length(tipsies))
```

Finally, we need to costumize the position of family name labels so they do not overlap. For that we made a function that simply adds to the already known position of the arc lines in arc_line_offset. And then we ended up tweaking the position for certain families that were overlapping too much

```
get_arc_label_offset <- function(alineo){
    res <- alineo + 0.05
    res[29] <- res[29]-0.0 #laridae
    res[30] <- res[30]+0.05
    res[31] <- res[31]-0.18 #recurvirostridae
    res[34] <- res[34]-0.16 #ardeidae
    res[37] <- res[37]-0.19 #gaviidae
    return(res)
}
arc_label_offset = get_arc_label_offset(arc_line_offset)</pre>
```

We also made a function to customize the degrees for the labels so they do not overlap. Index gives the position of he family that we want to set, and degree gives the degree that we want to set:

```
make_label_degree <- function(length, index, degree){
  deg <- rep(NA, length)
  for(i in seq(length(index))){
    deg[index[i]] <- degree[i]
  }
  return(deg)
}
our_label_degree = make_label_degree(length(families),
  index = c(5,6,7,14,15, 17, 31, 32, 34, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40, 43, 44),
  degree = c(24, 26, 28, 112.5, 116.5, 125, 270, 275, 278, 293, 285, 297, 301, 304, 314, 316))</pre>
```

Finally we plot the tree again and add the labels with the rphylotasic function arclabels:

