Demography estimation

using PSMC

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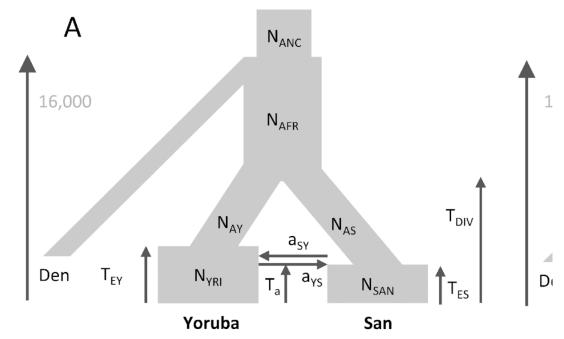
Outline

- Background What + Why demography?
- Various ways to estimate demography
- Recap coalescent + HMM
- Estimate demography from one genome
 - PSMC
- Exercise

• What do we mean by demography?

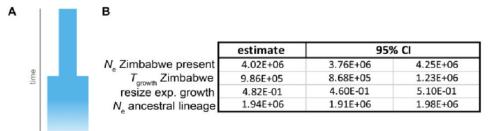
- What do we mean by demography?
 - Population sizes
 - Migration rates
 - Population split times

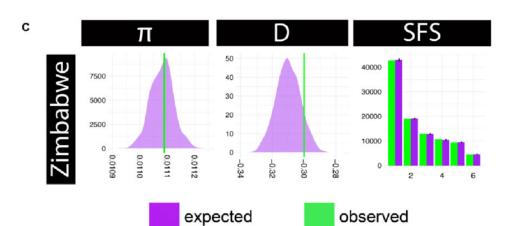
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Zimbabwe

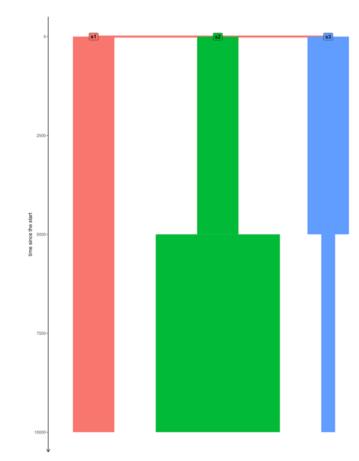
- Demography for a single population?
 - Effective population size





Why care about demography?

 Demography allows us to characterize the neutral variation in the genome

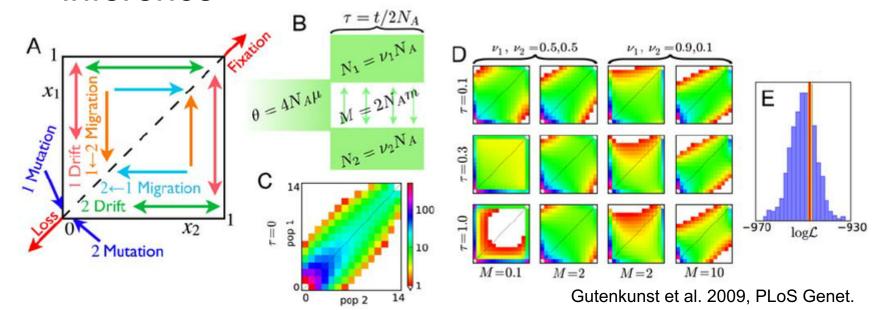


How to estimate demography?

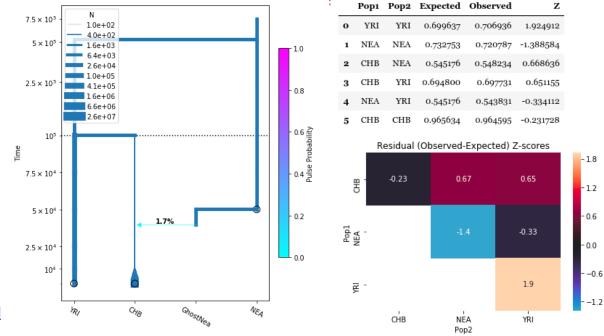
 Can you think of a way to estimate demography based on your morning exercises?

- Usually using summary statistics
 - SFS
 - Linkage disequilibrium
 - A whole plethora of other summary statistics
- Define a model and find parameters that best fit the observed summary statistics
 - Various statistical techniques

- SFS based demography estimation
 - dadi: diffusion approximation for demographic inference



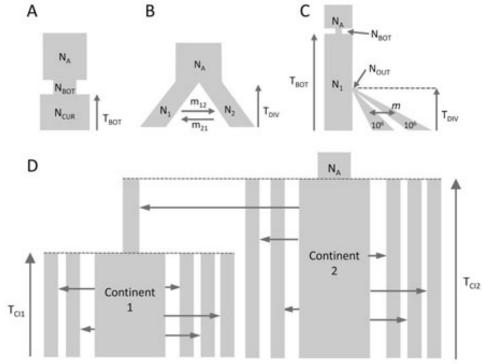
- SFS based demography estimation
 - momi2: Moran models for inference



https://momi2.readthedocs.io/en/latest/tutorial.html

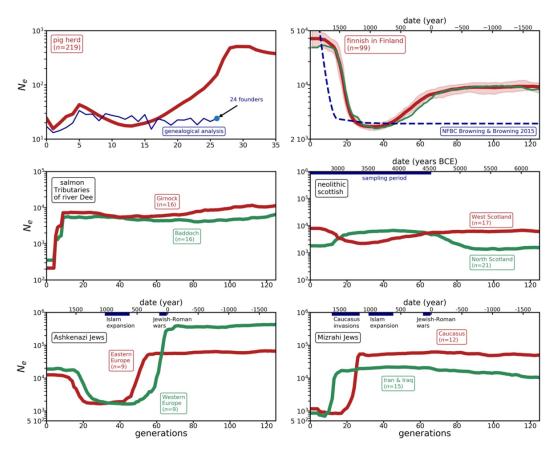
Kamm et al. 2020, JASA

- SFS based demography estimation
 - fastsimcoal2

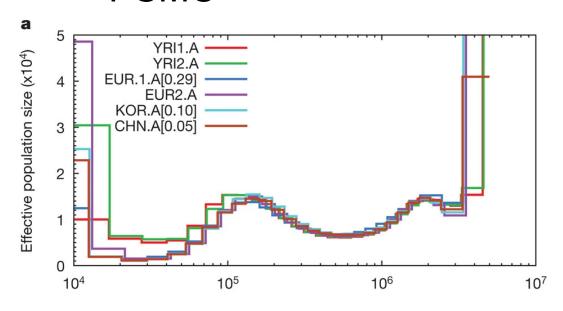


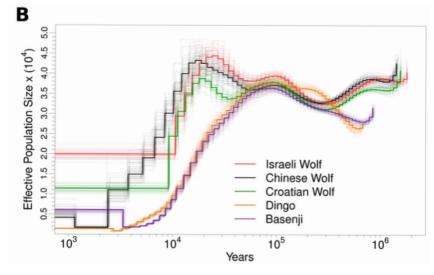
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- Other metrics to estimate demography
 - Linkagedisequilibrium(LD)

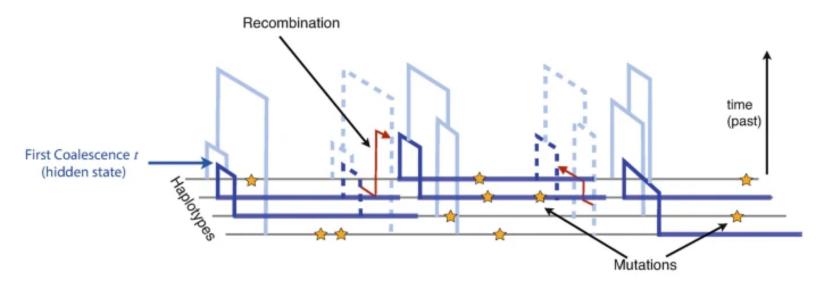


- Coalescent based (*)
 - PSMC





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Quick coalescent detour

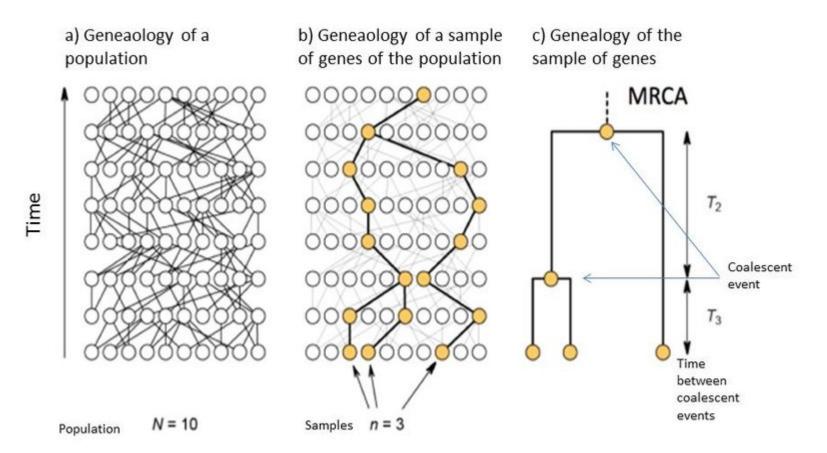


Figure courtesy of Marie Louis

Coalescent to demography

Group discussion

- Mutations in a pair of chromosomes
- Recombinations in a pair of chromosomes

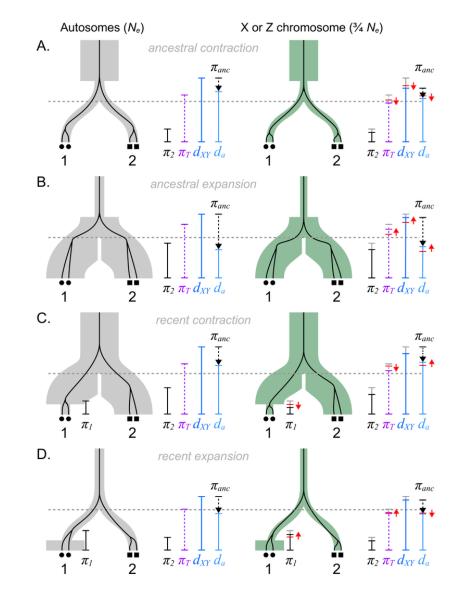
How would you use this information to estimate demography of one population?

Coalescent to demography

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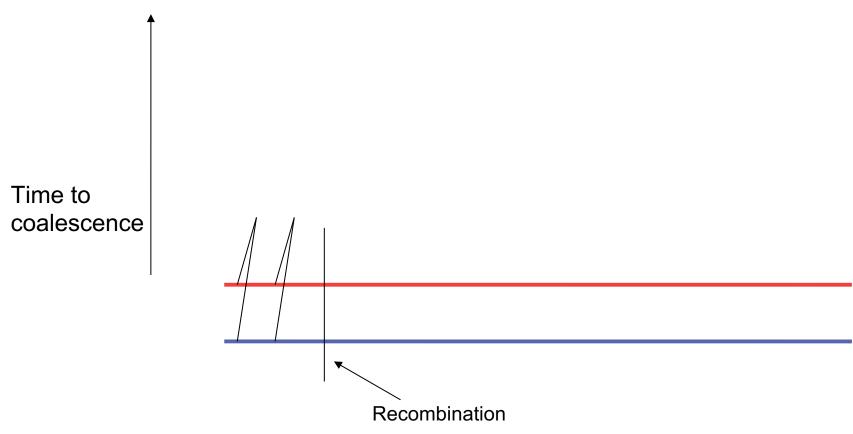
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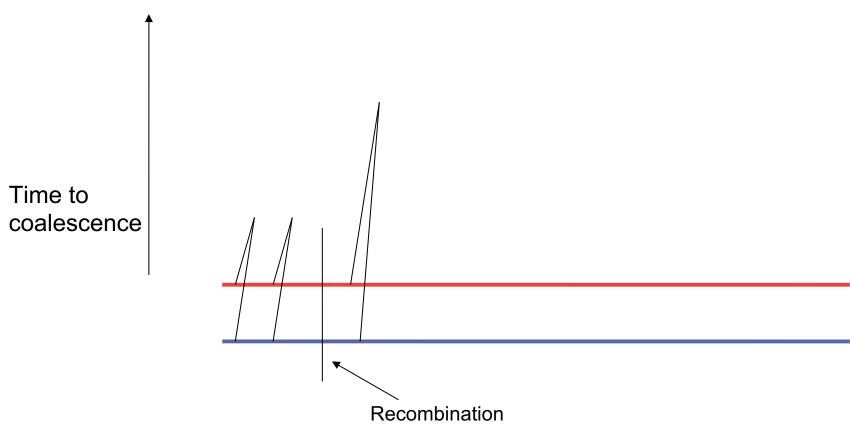


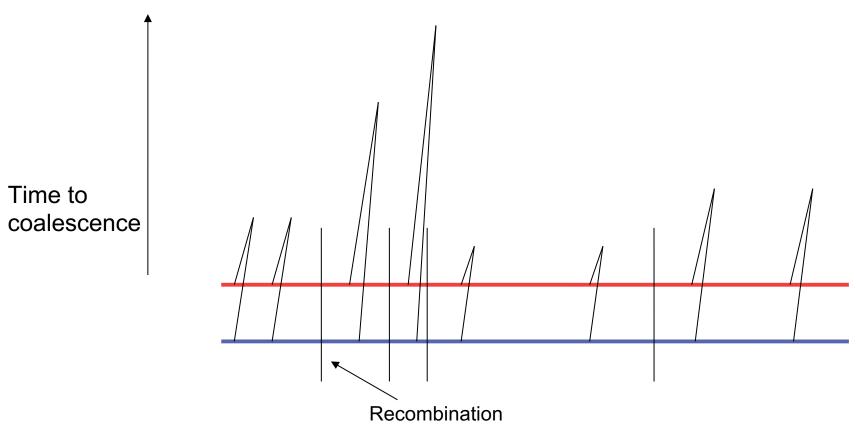
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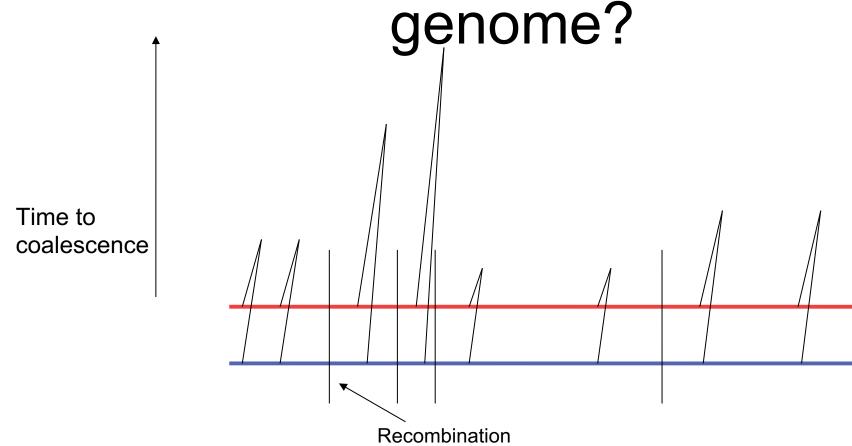
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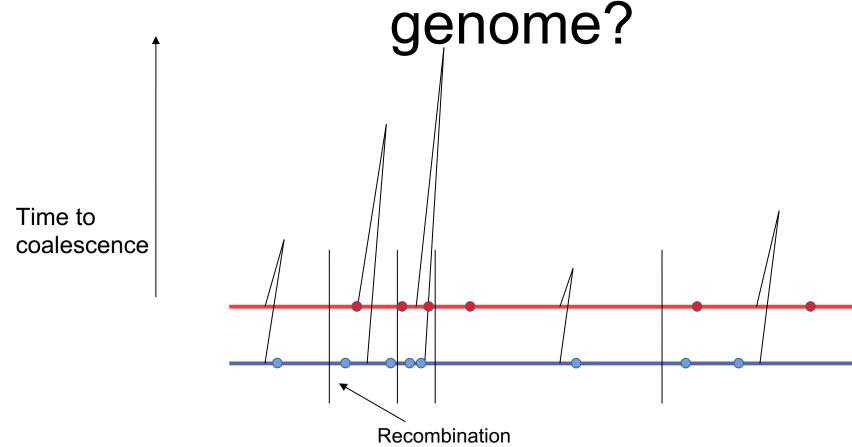




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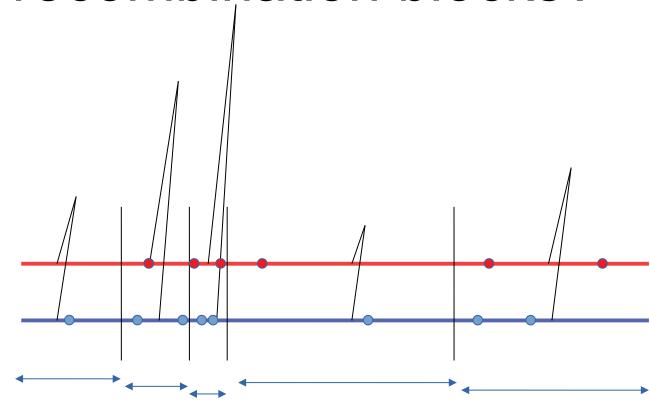


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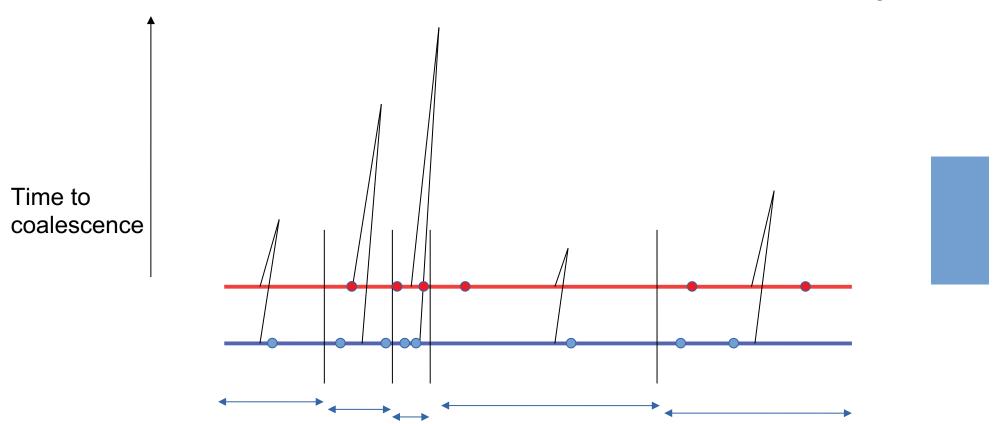


What about the size of the recombination blocks?

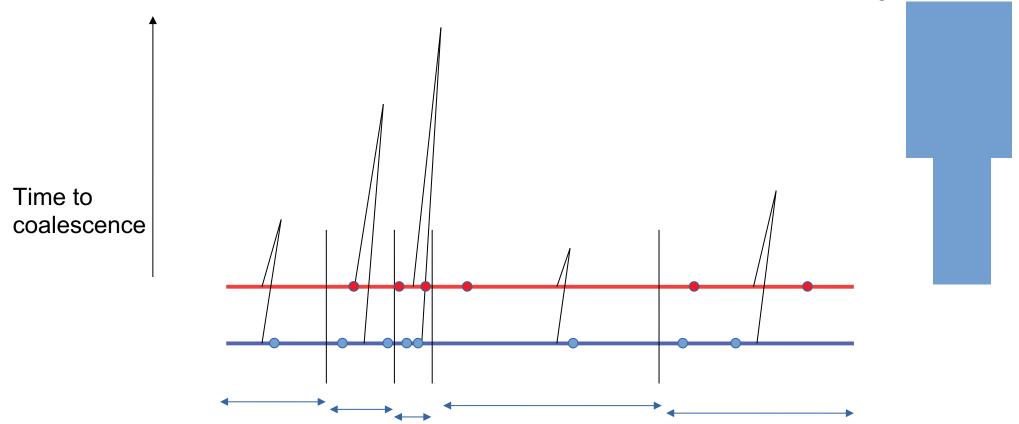
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Reconstruct population history



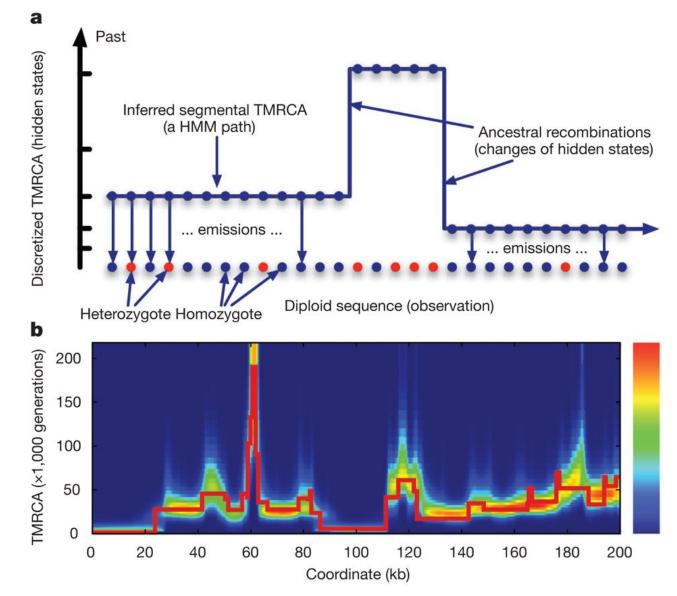
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PSMC: Pairwise Sequentially Markovian Coalescent

- Use recombination block sizes and density of mutations in genome to estimate population size, N_e
 - Hidden Markov Model (HMM)

PSMC



Quick detour #2: HMM

Eisner ice cream problem

Climatologist in 2800 AD who wants to understand the day to day temperature in 2000s, but all he has is the journal of Eisner who notes how many ice creams he eats every day.

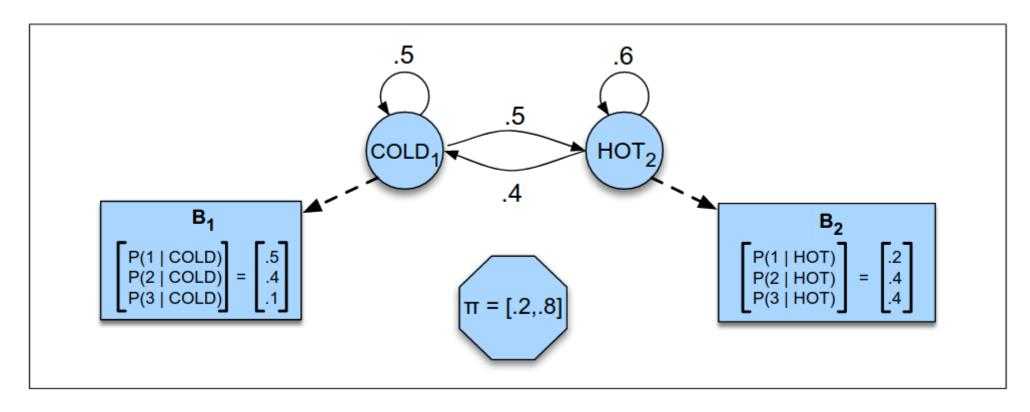
<u>Some simplifications + assumptions:</u>

Only 2 day types - HOT or COLD

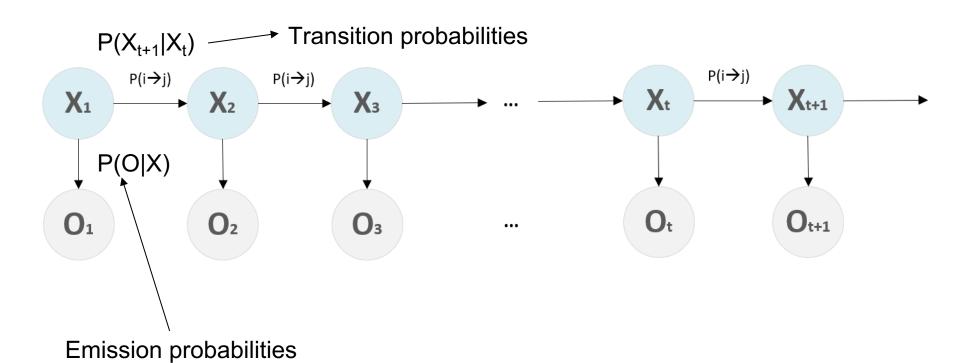
Eisner's ice cream consumption depends on day type

Day states form a markov chain – so today's day type affects tomorrow's day type.

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Three problems we need to solve in a HMM:

- 1. **Likelihood**: Given observations O, and parameters Θ of the HMM, we need to be able to compute the P(O | Θ)
- 2. **Decoding**: Given observations O, and parameters Θ , compute the best hidden state sequence $X_1, X_2 \dots X_n$
- 3. **Learning**: Given observations O and the set of states in the HMM, learn the parameters Θ.

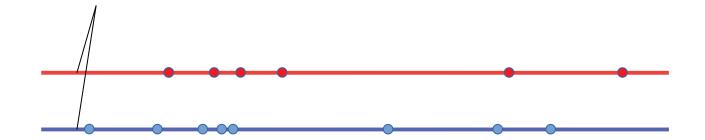
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What is the hidden state? Time to coalescence

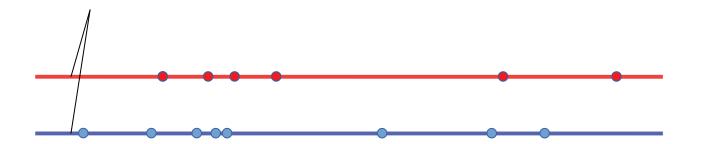
What is the hidden state? The time to coalescence for that part of the genome.

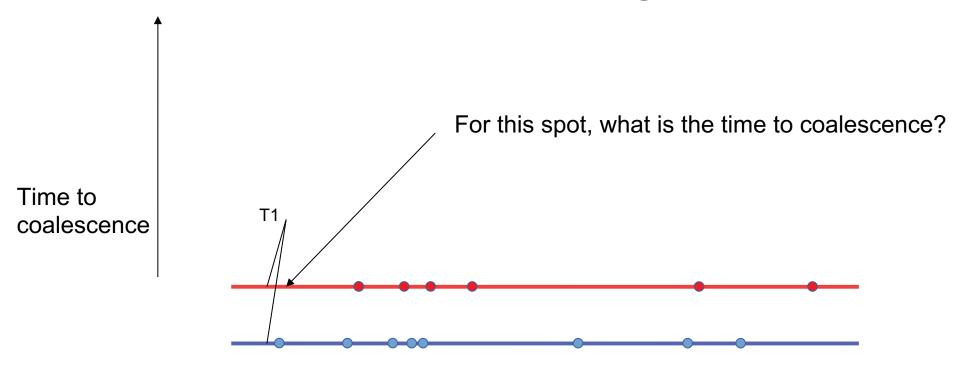
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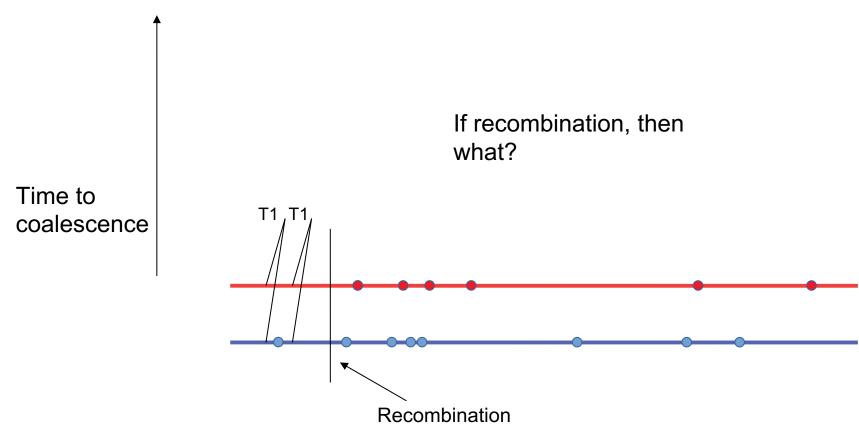
Let us know try and understand the transition probabilities. We know that the first locus has a time to coalescence of T1.

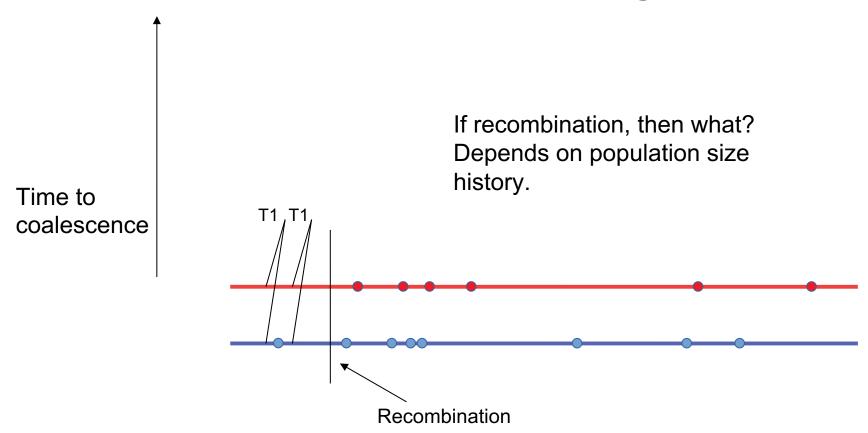


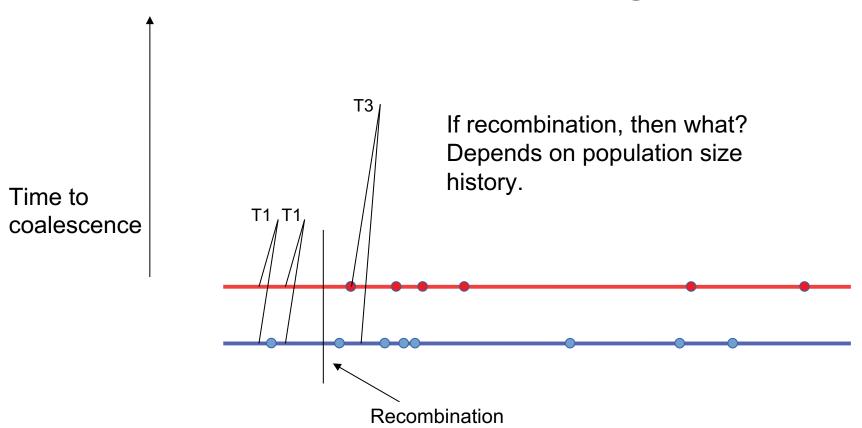


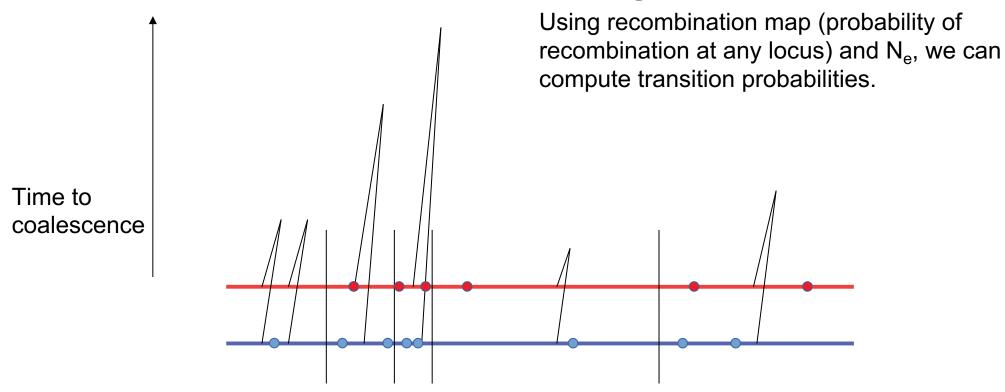
For this spot, what is the time to coalescence? Depends on whether there was recombination between this and last locus! Time to coalescence

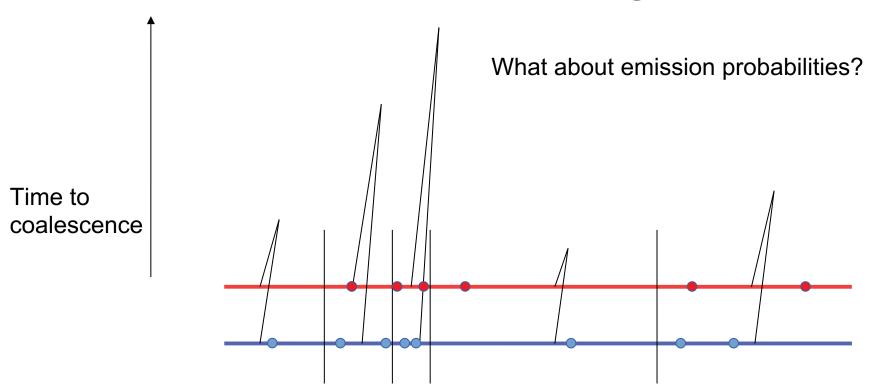
If no recombination between this and the earlier locus then same time to coalescence. Time to coalescence

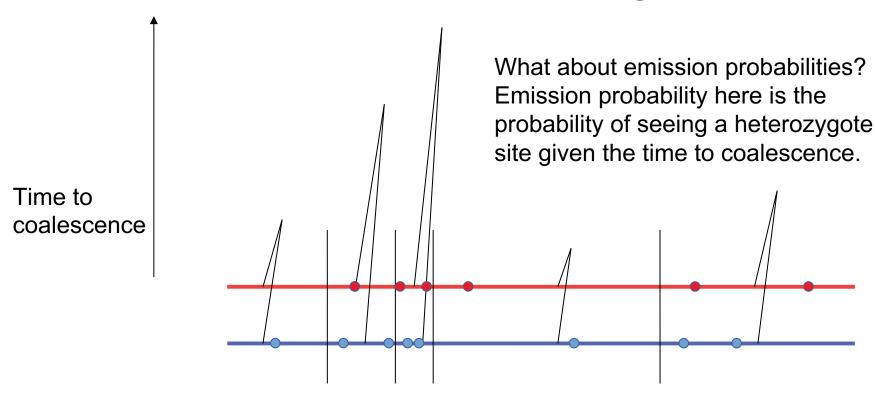




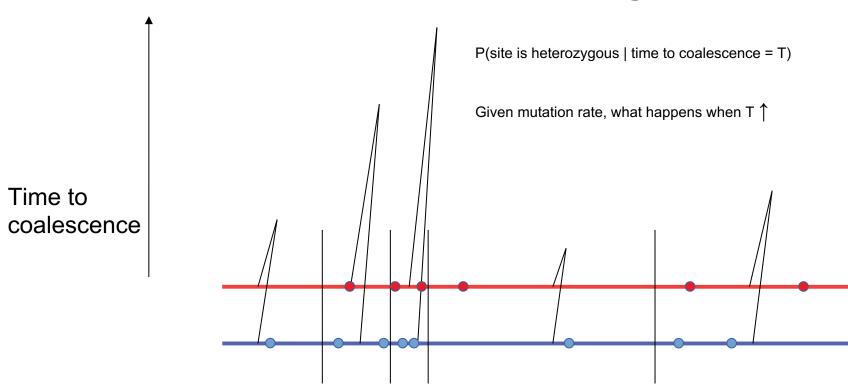


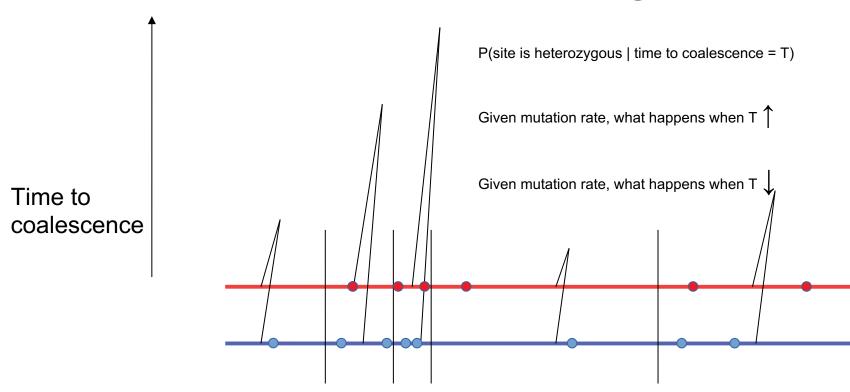






P(site is heterozygous | time to coalescence = T)

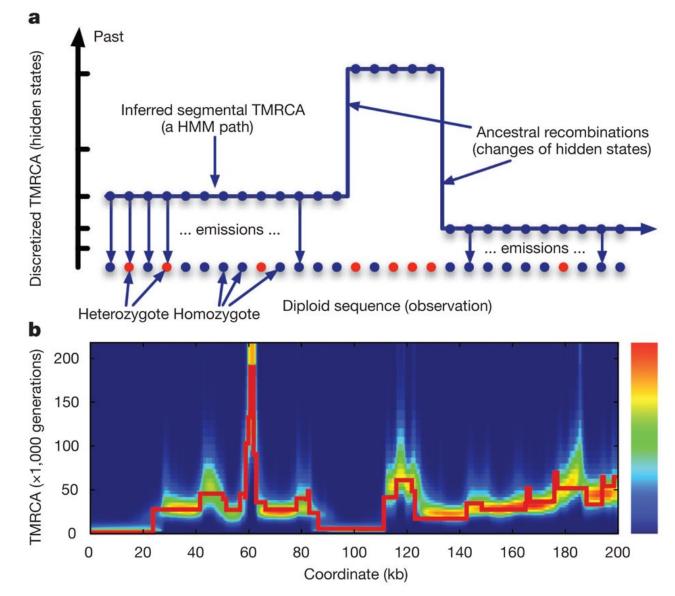




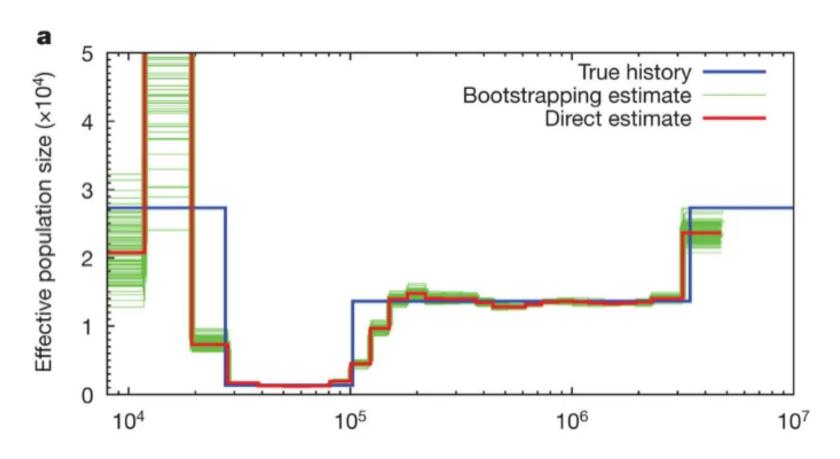
PSMC: Some missing bits

- Time is discretized
 - On log scale, so expected number of coalescent events in each bin ~ equal
- Mutation rate and mutation/recombination ratio are additional parameters
 - What happens if recombination rate is similar to mutation rate?

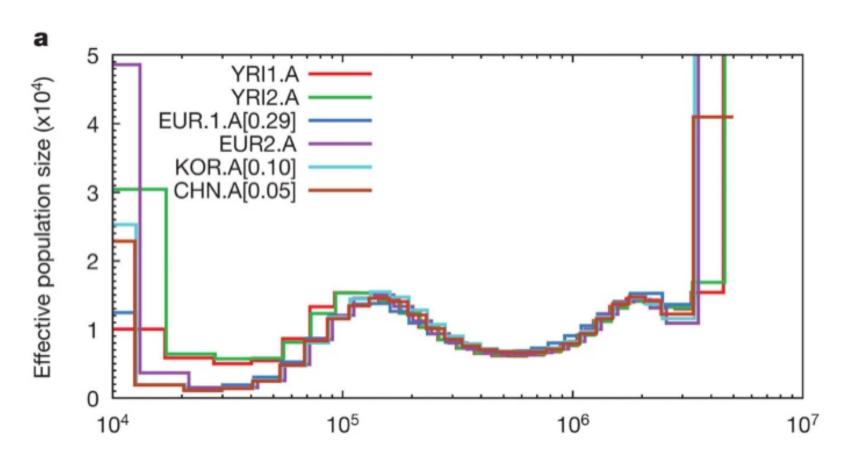
PSMC: Putting it all together



PSMC on simulated data



PSMC on human populations



Conclusions

- Many ways to skin a cat
 - SFS based, LD based, coalescent based, summary statistics based
- Pairwise Sequentially Markovian Coalescent
 - Lots of information in 1 genome
 - Remove problem with tree topology
 - Many methods in same framework MSMC, SMC++, MiSTI

Exercises after the break