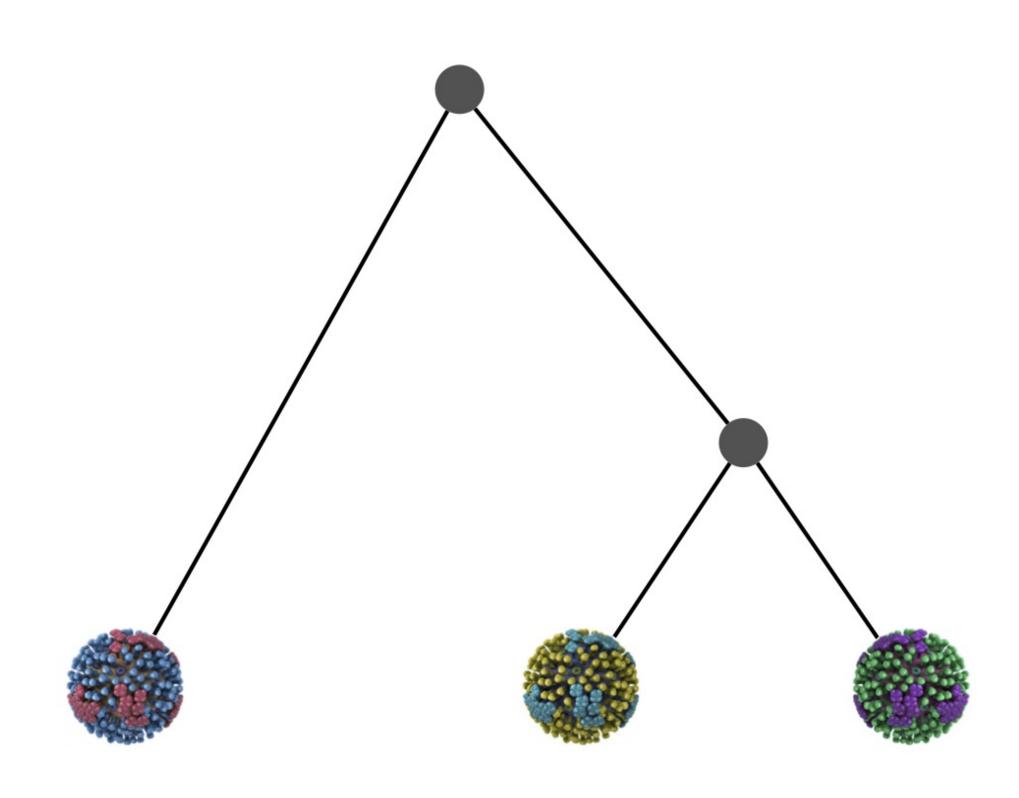
Phylogenetics

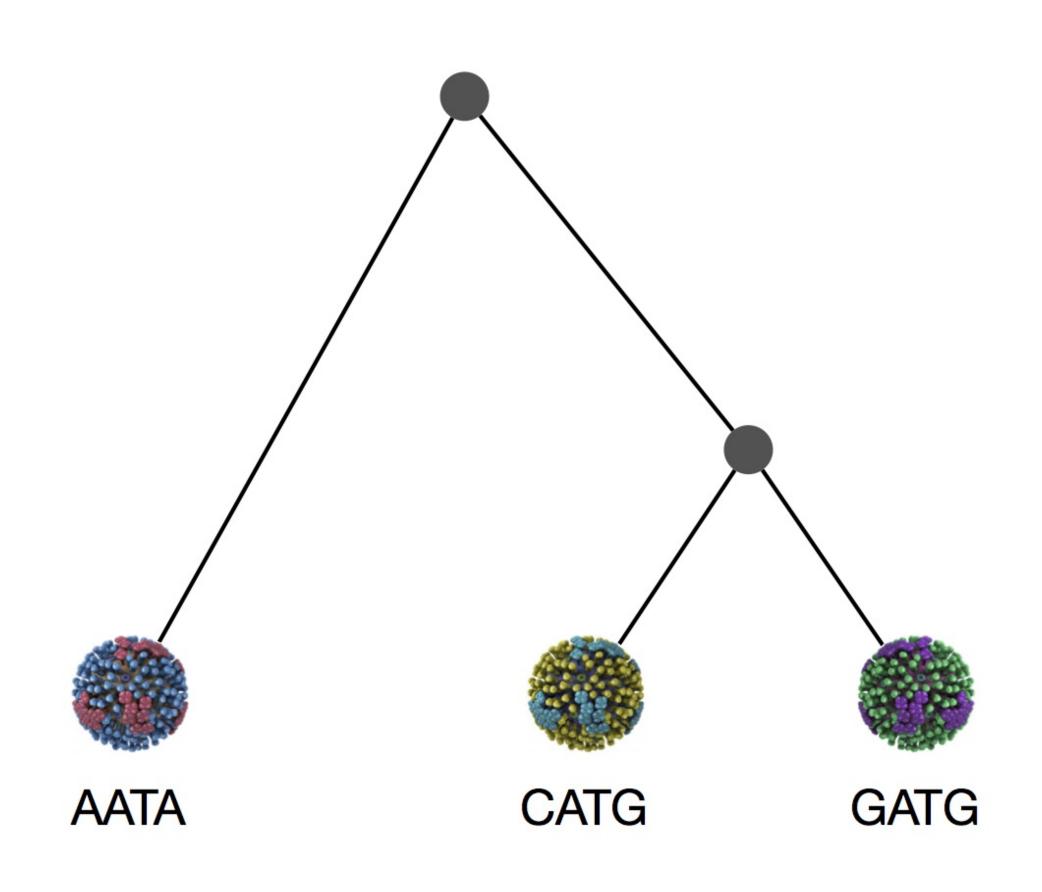
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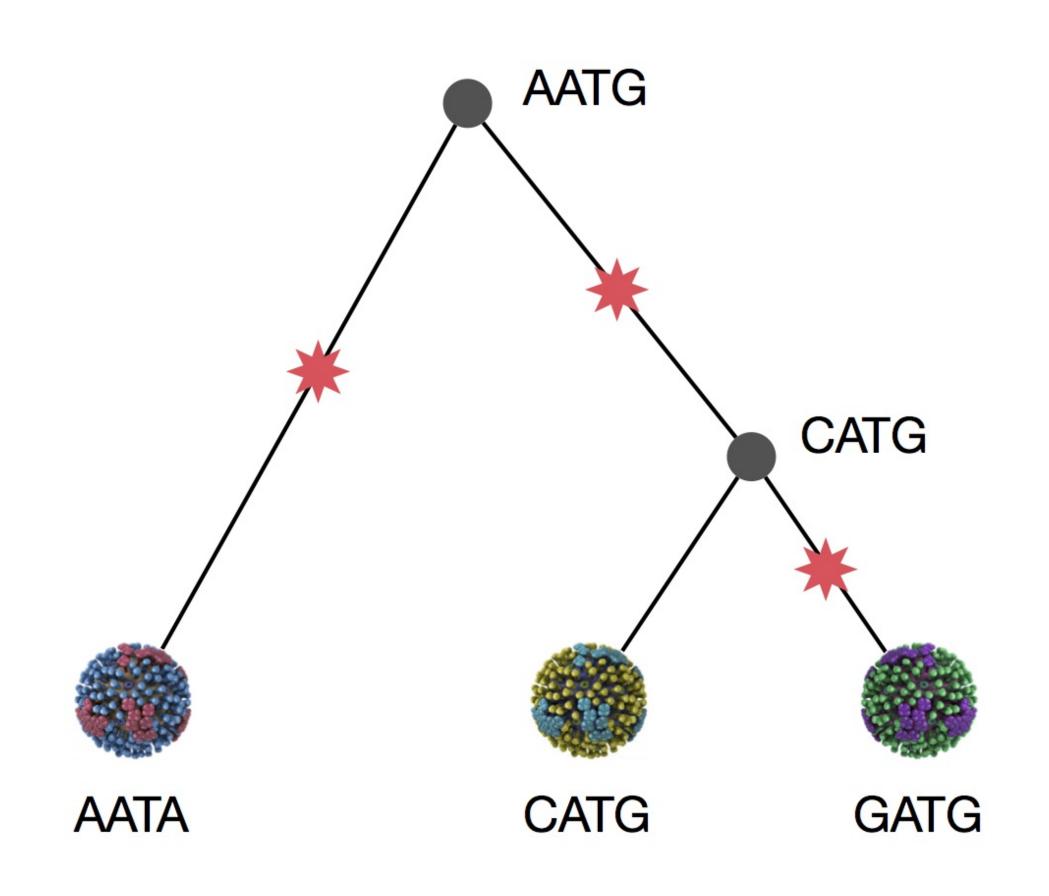
Phylogeny describes evolutionary relationships



Phylogeny is usually a hypothesis based on characteristics of sampled taxa



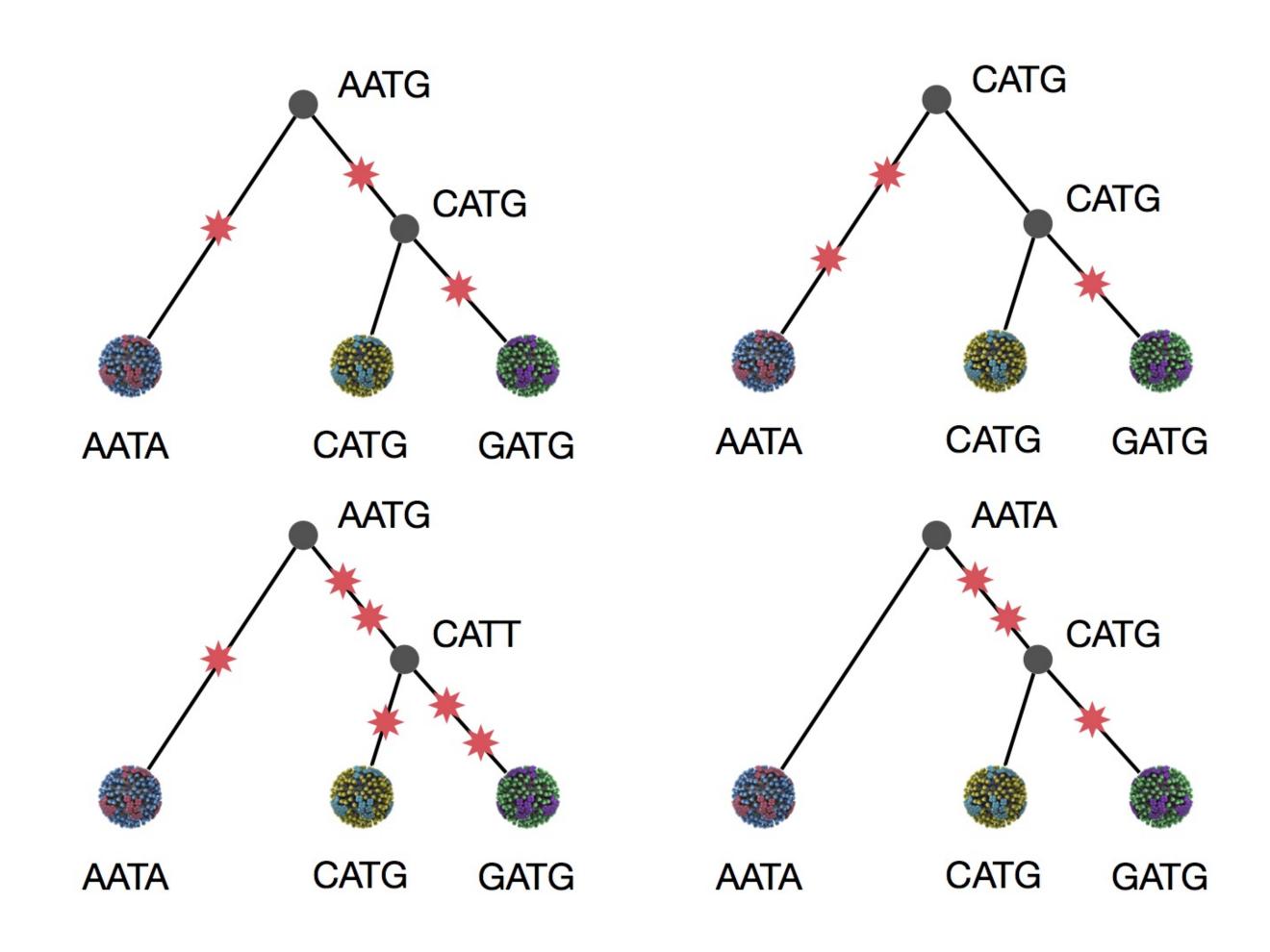
Phylogeny implies a series of mutational events leading to observed tip states



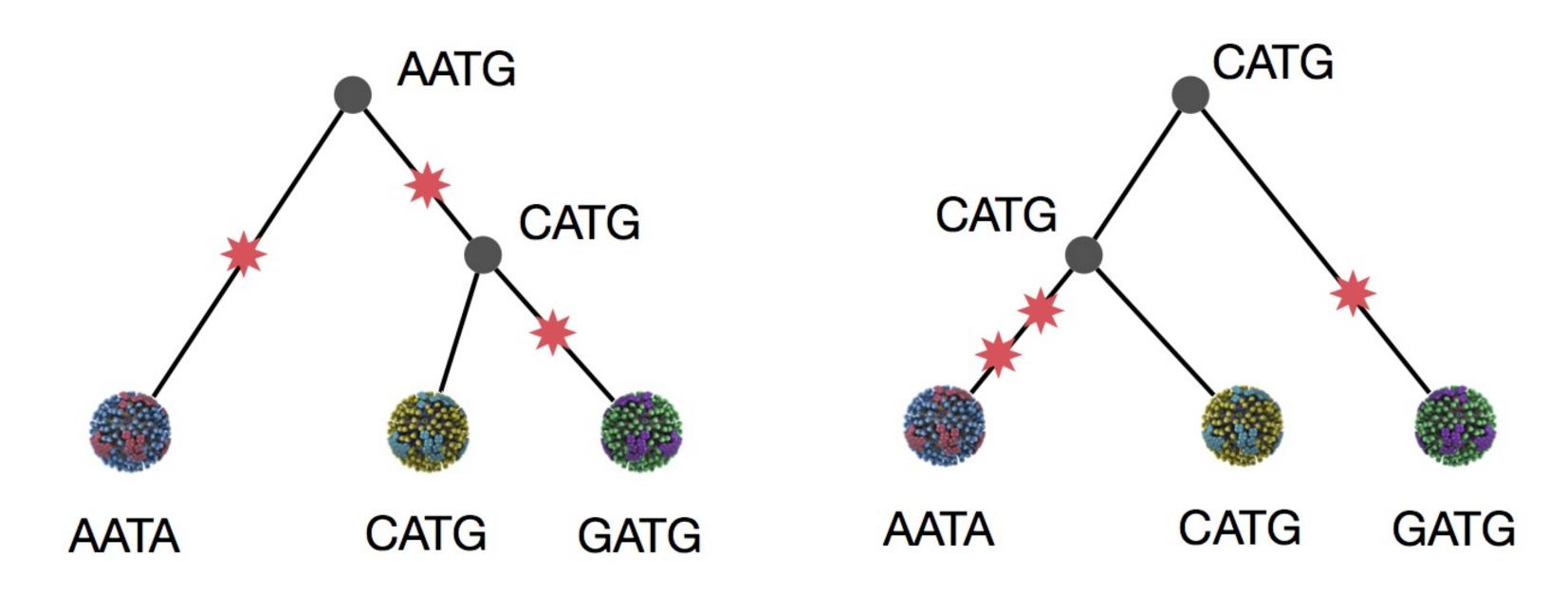
Parsimony is based on Occam's razor

Among competing hypotheses that predict equally well, the one with the fewest assumptions should be selected.

Parsimony suggests this topology requires 3 mutations at minimum

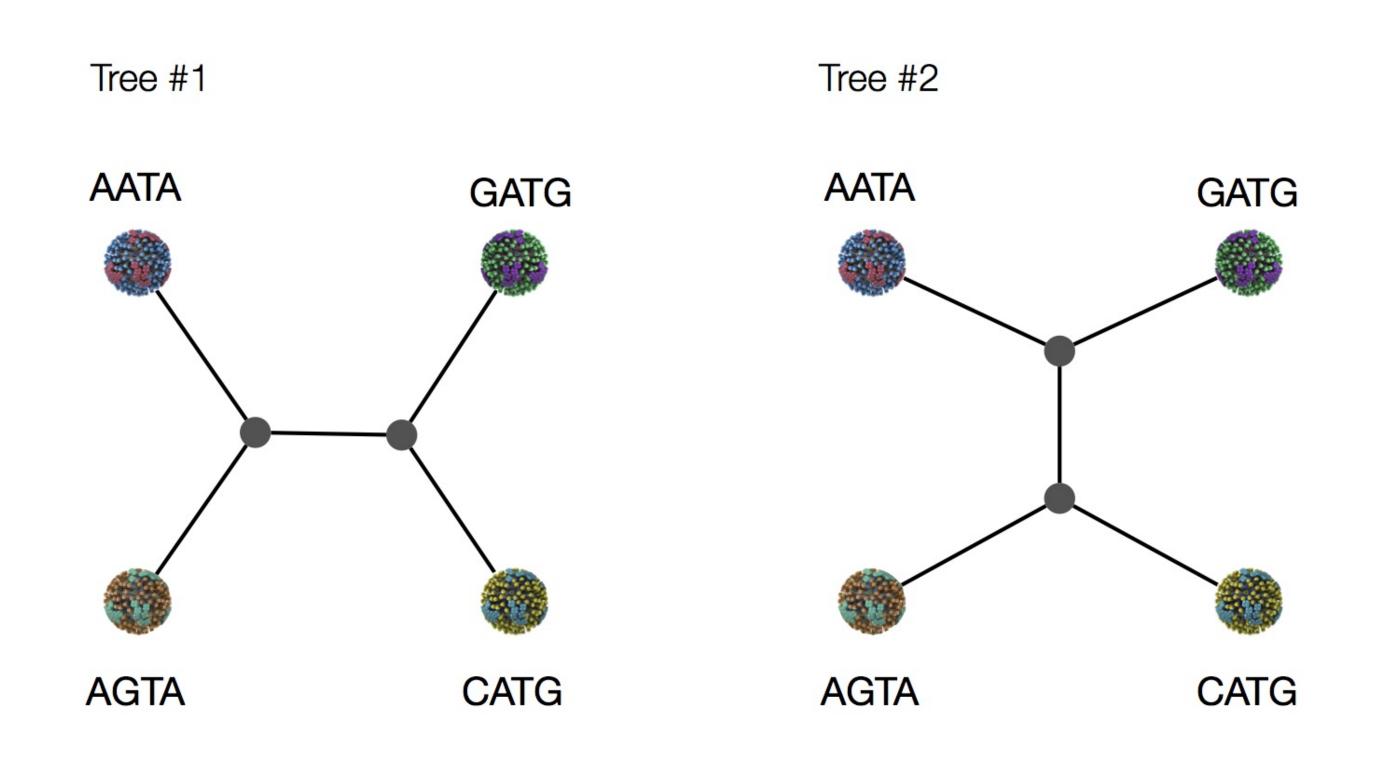


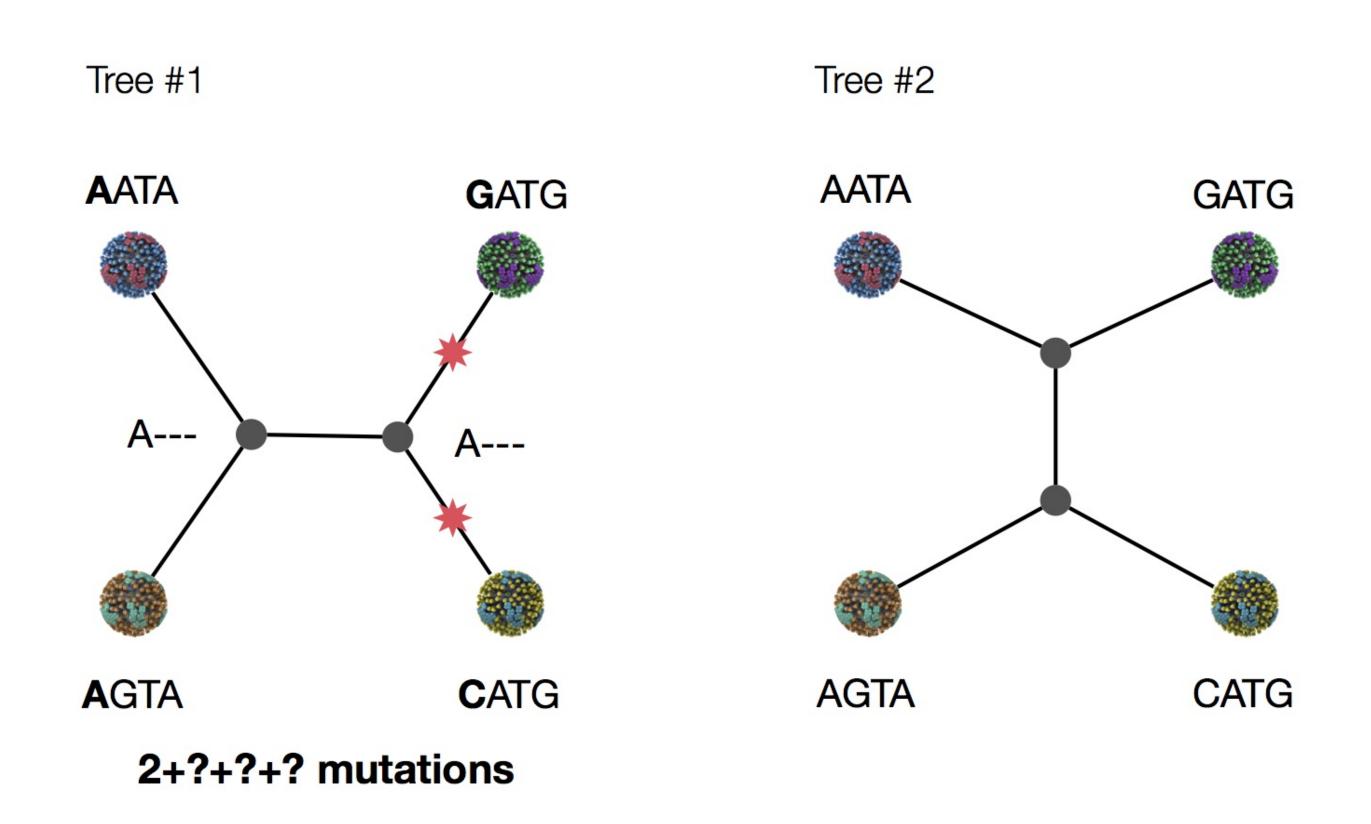
Parsimony suggests both topologies equally tenable

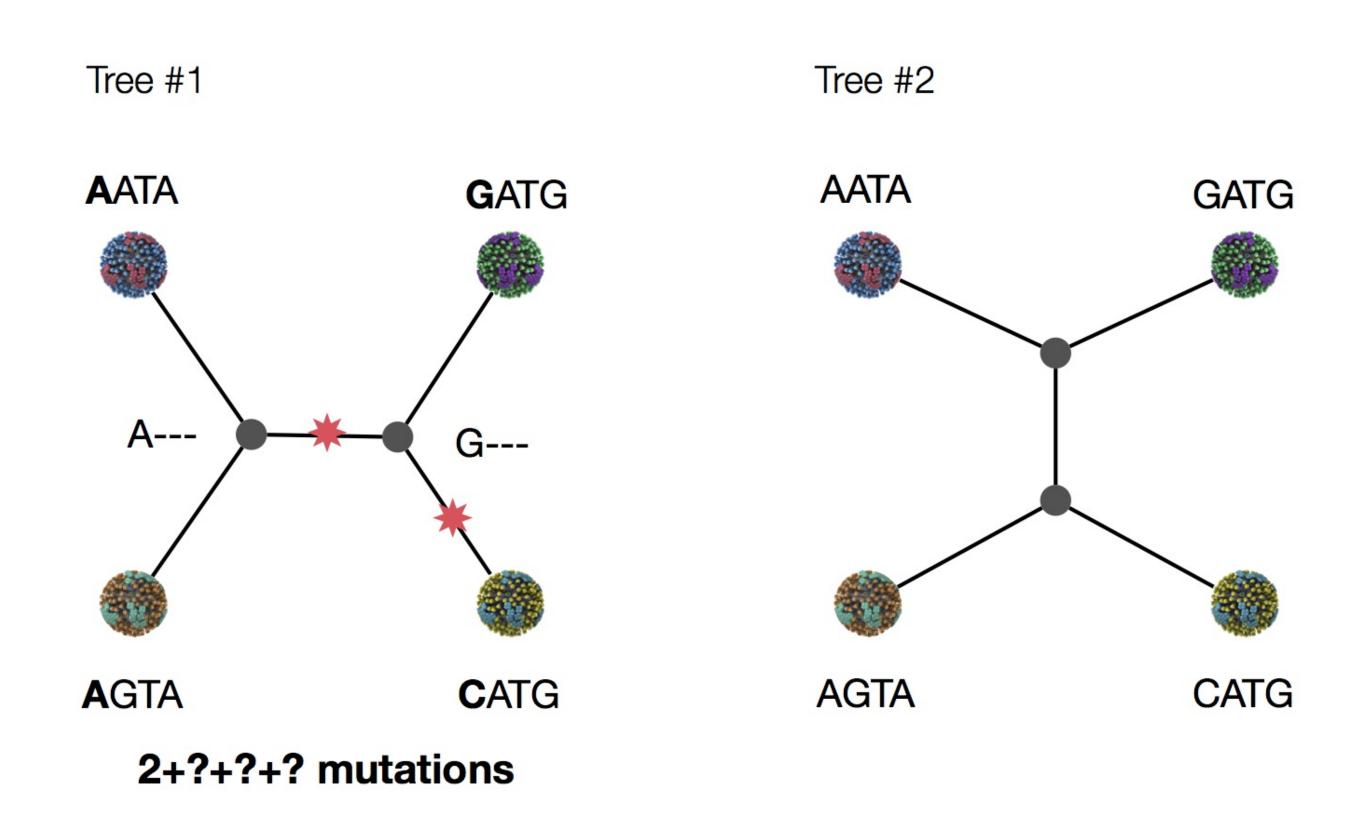


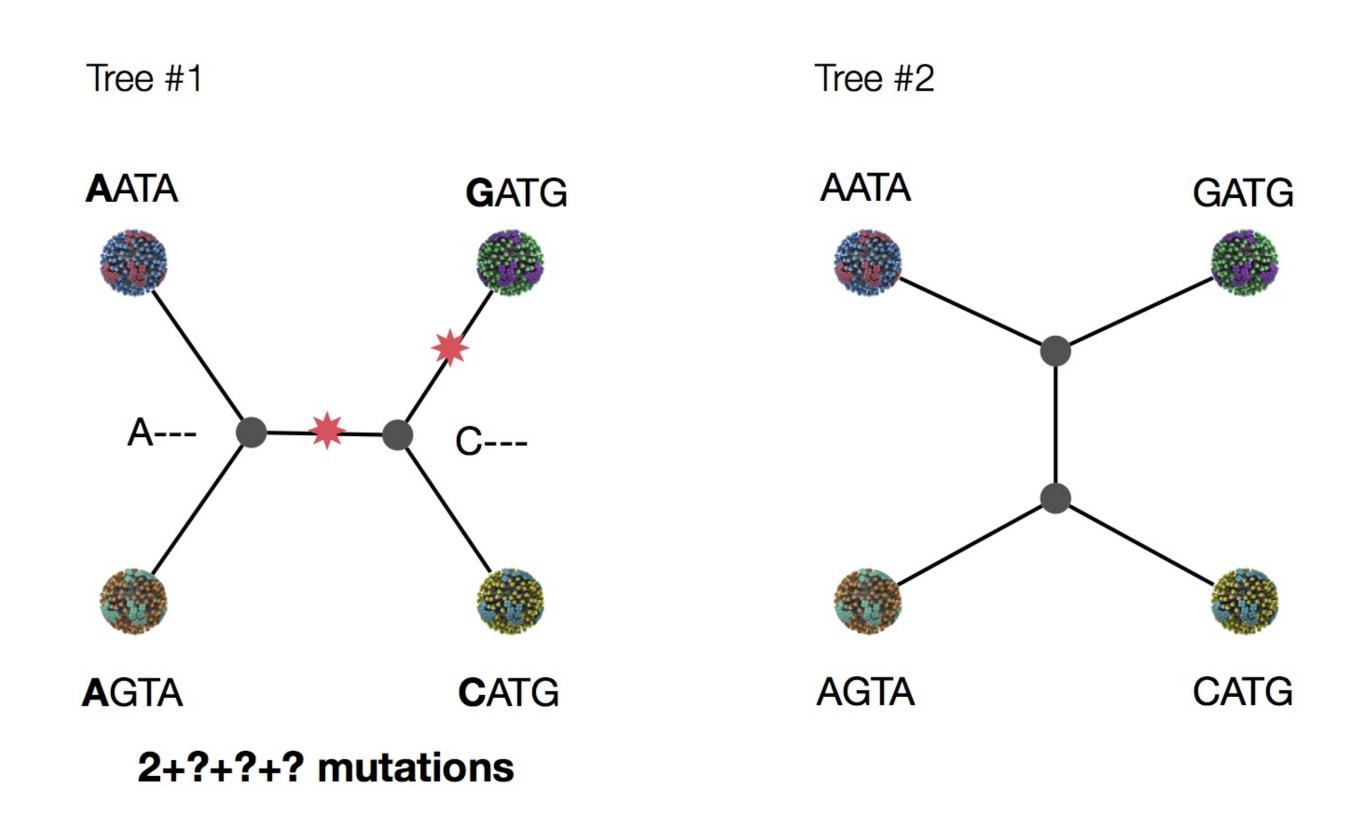
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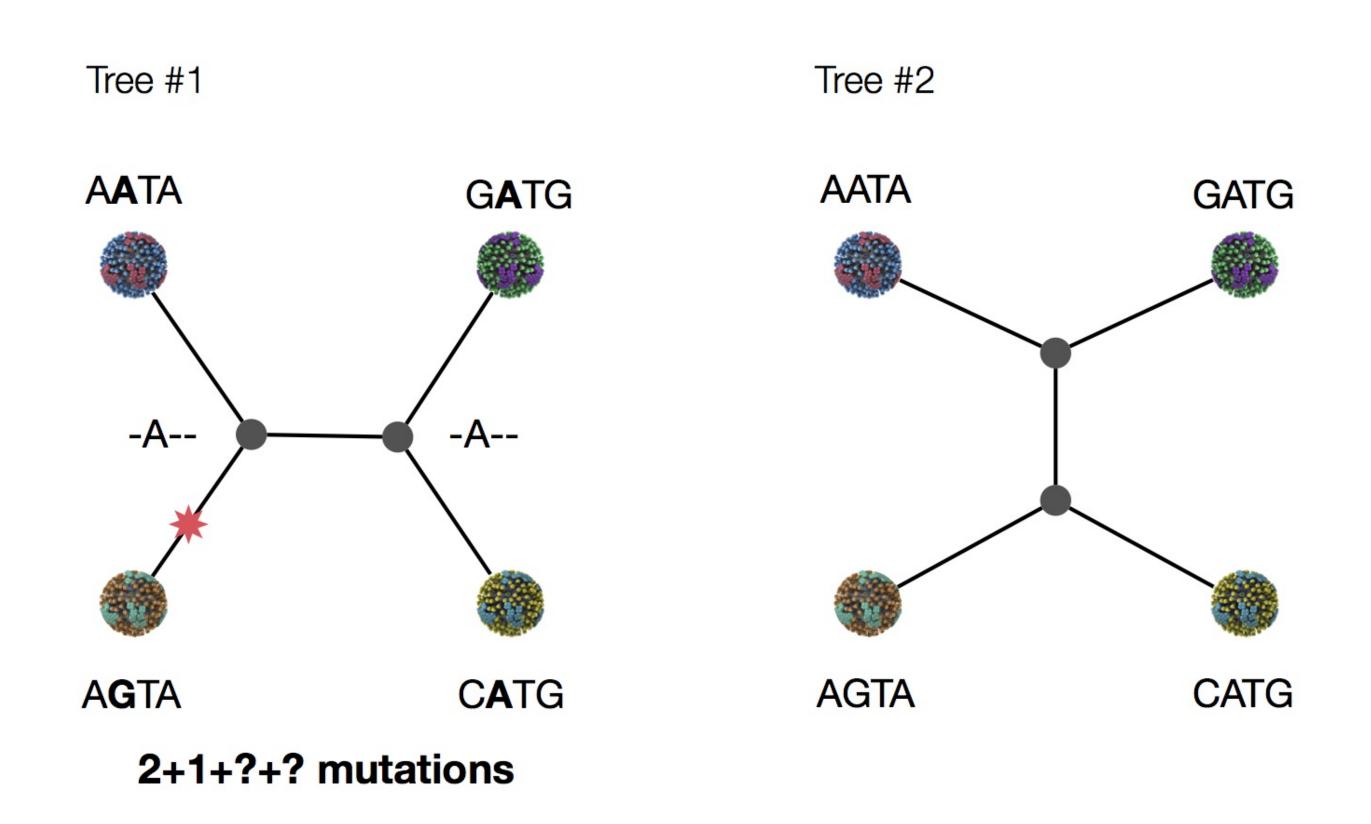
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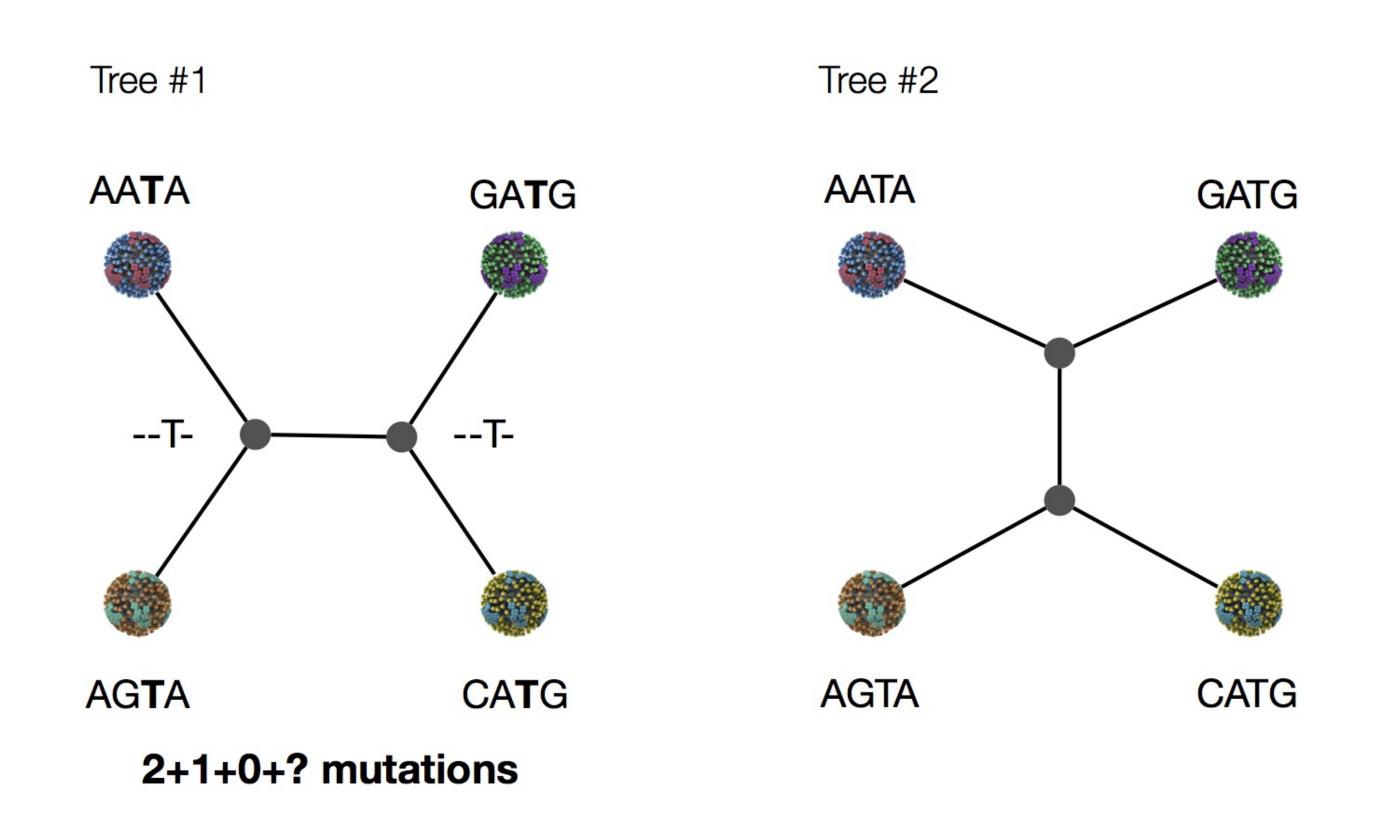


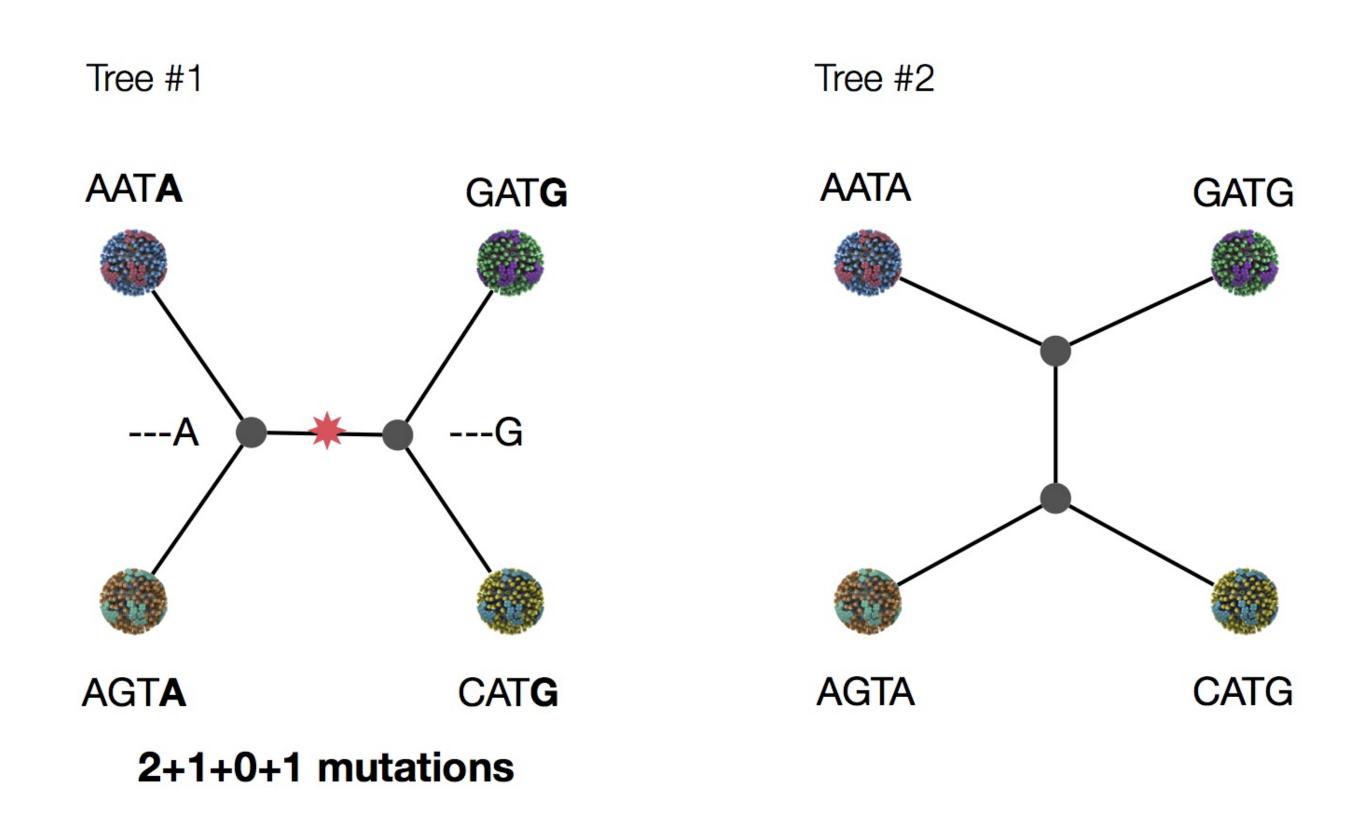


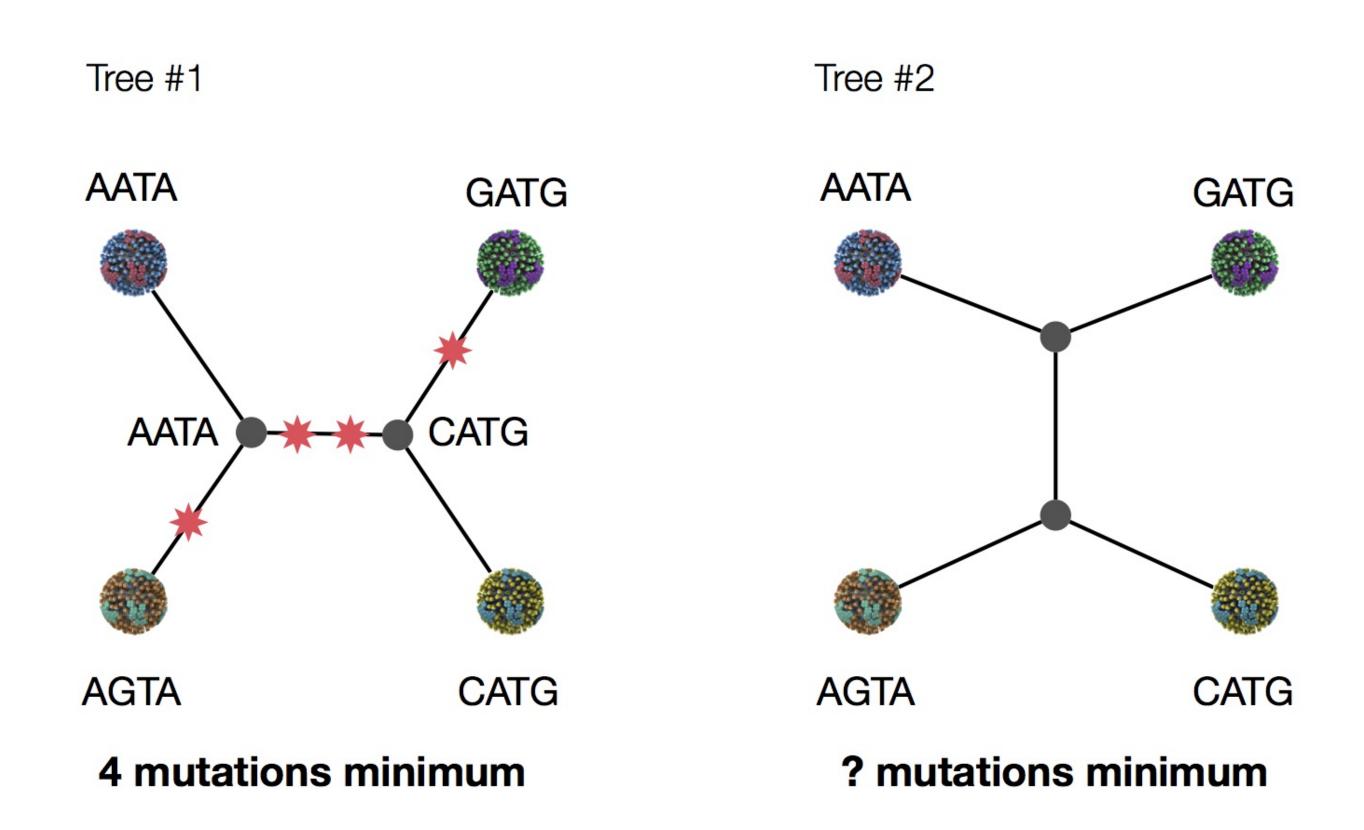












Example of how phylogeny structures site patterns

Buffalo. 2015

Inferring phylogenies with likelihood

Maximum likelihood (ML) inference

In ML, you have some set of data D and a model for generating this data. This model has parameters θ . The probability of observing data is $\Pr(D \mid \theta)$. The best parameter point estimate $\hat{\theta}$ is simply the value that maximizes $\Pr(D \mid \theta)$.

Maximum likelihood (ML) inference

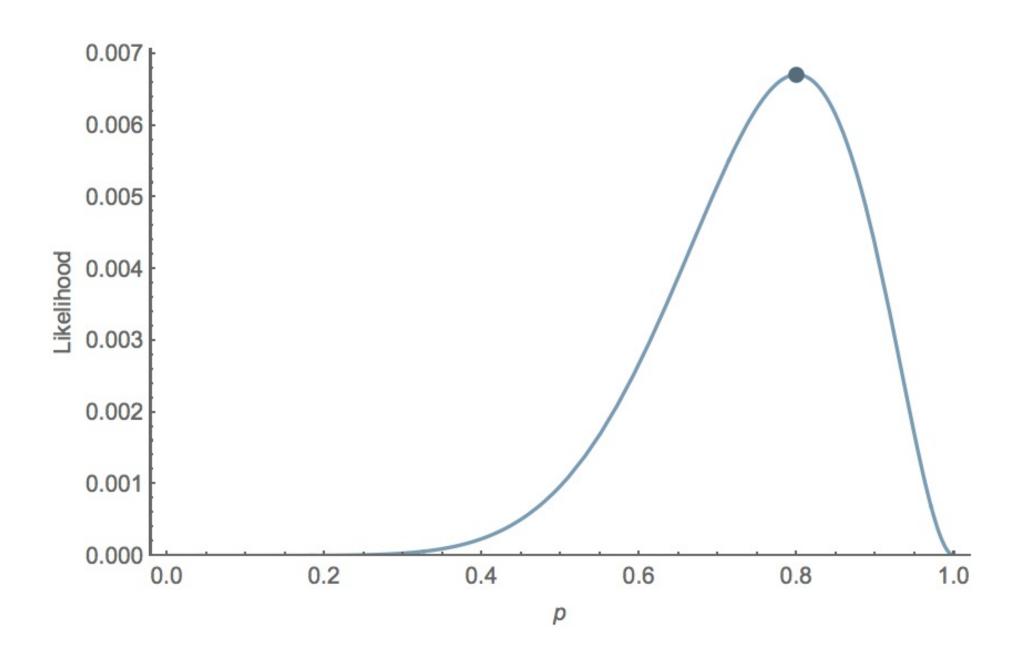
For example, if we have data D from a Bernoulli observation model representing k successes in n trials, then the probability of observing k and n given coin flip probability parameter p is simply $\Pr(k,n\mid p)=p^k\,(1-p)^{n-k}.$

Maximum likelihood (ML) inference

For the Bernoulli model $\Pr(k,n\,|\,p)=p^k\,(1-p)^{n-k}$, we have

$$\hat{p}=rac{k}{n}$$
 . For example, with $k=8$ and $n=10$, $\hat{p}=0.8$ and the

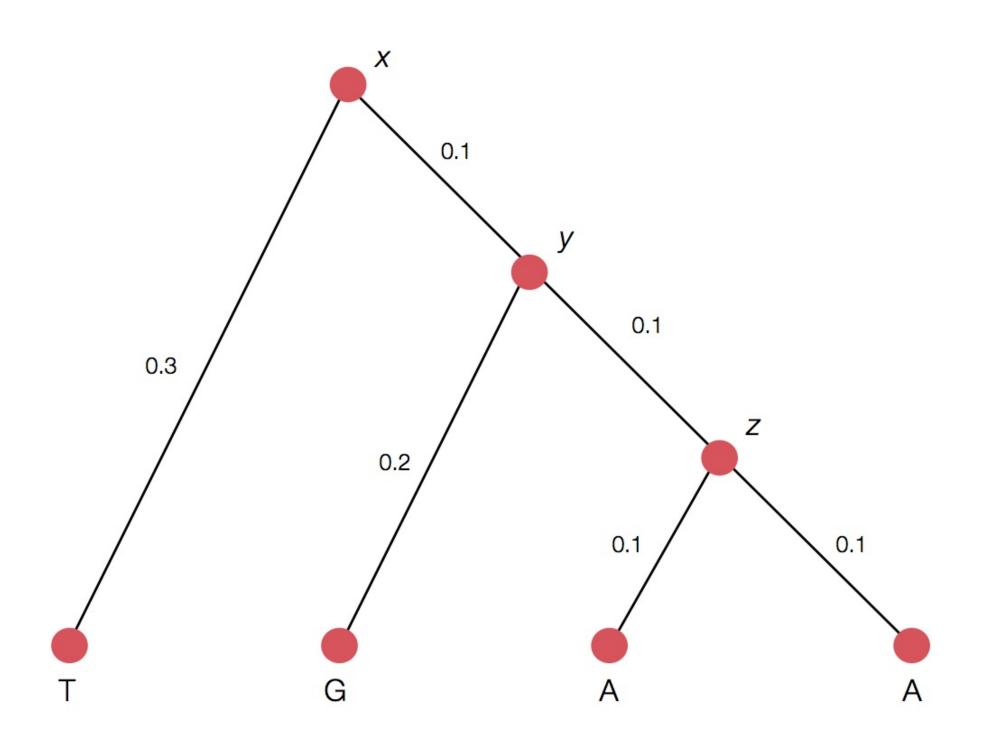
likelihood curve follows



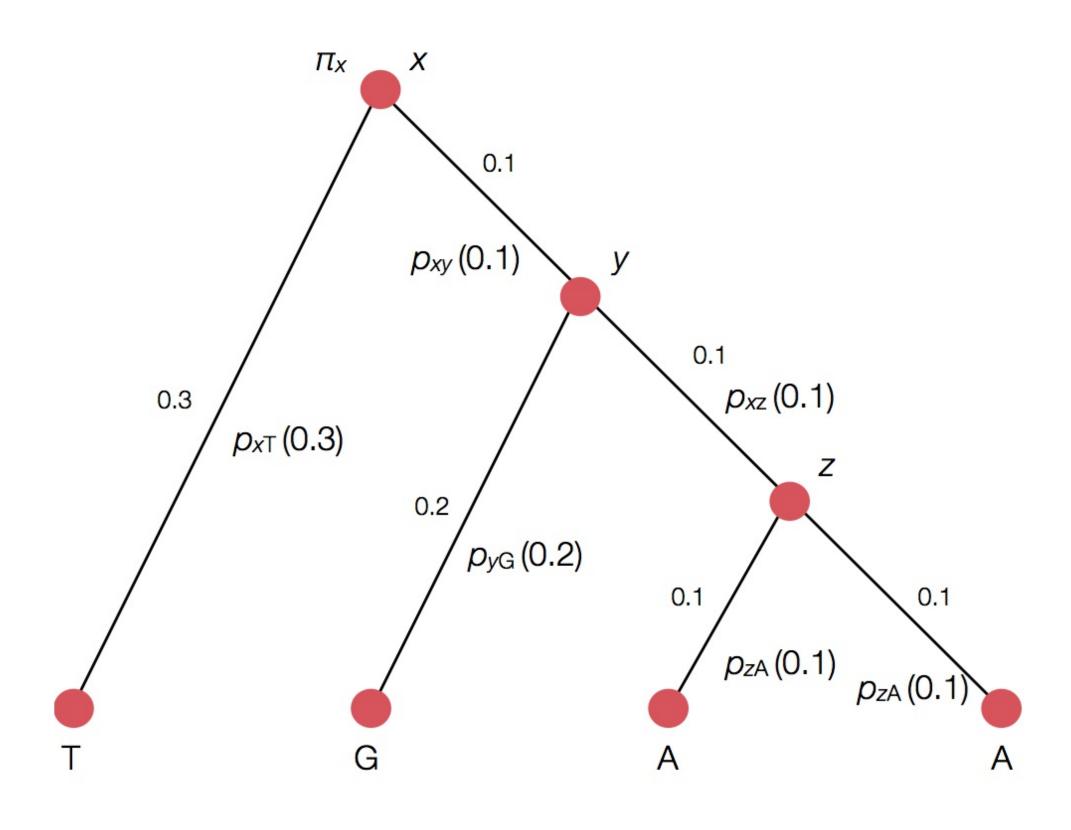
Data likelihood

In phylogenetics, D are the observed tip sequences and heta is the phylogenetic tree including topology and branch lengths.

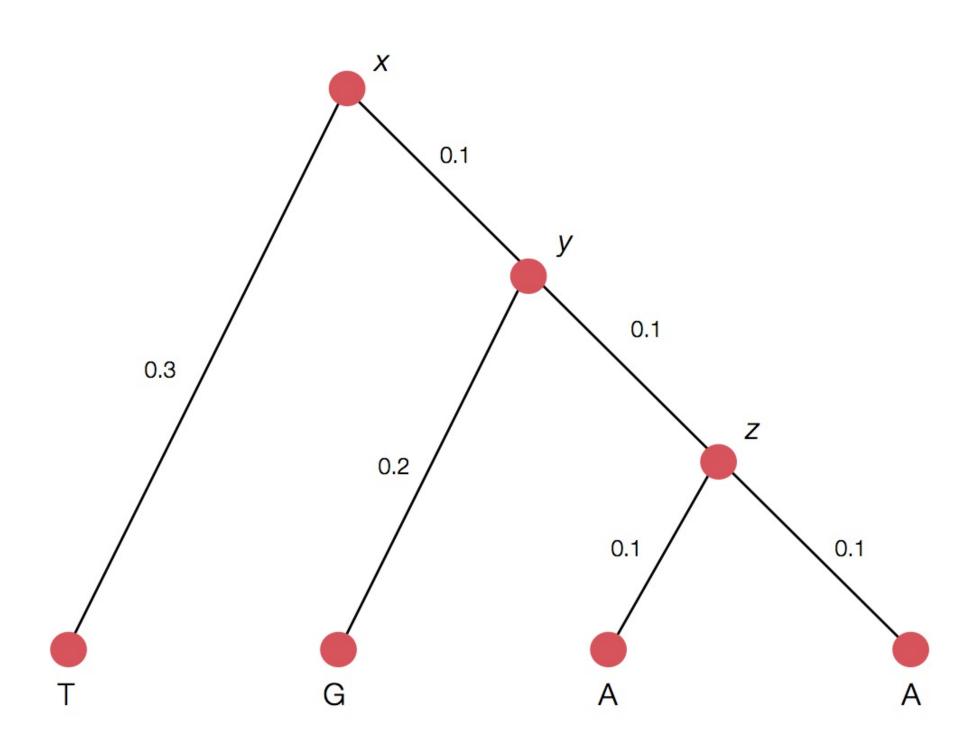
Calculating the likelihood of a single topology



Transition probability for each branch



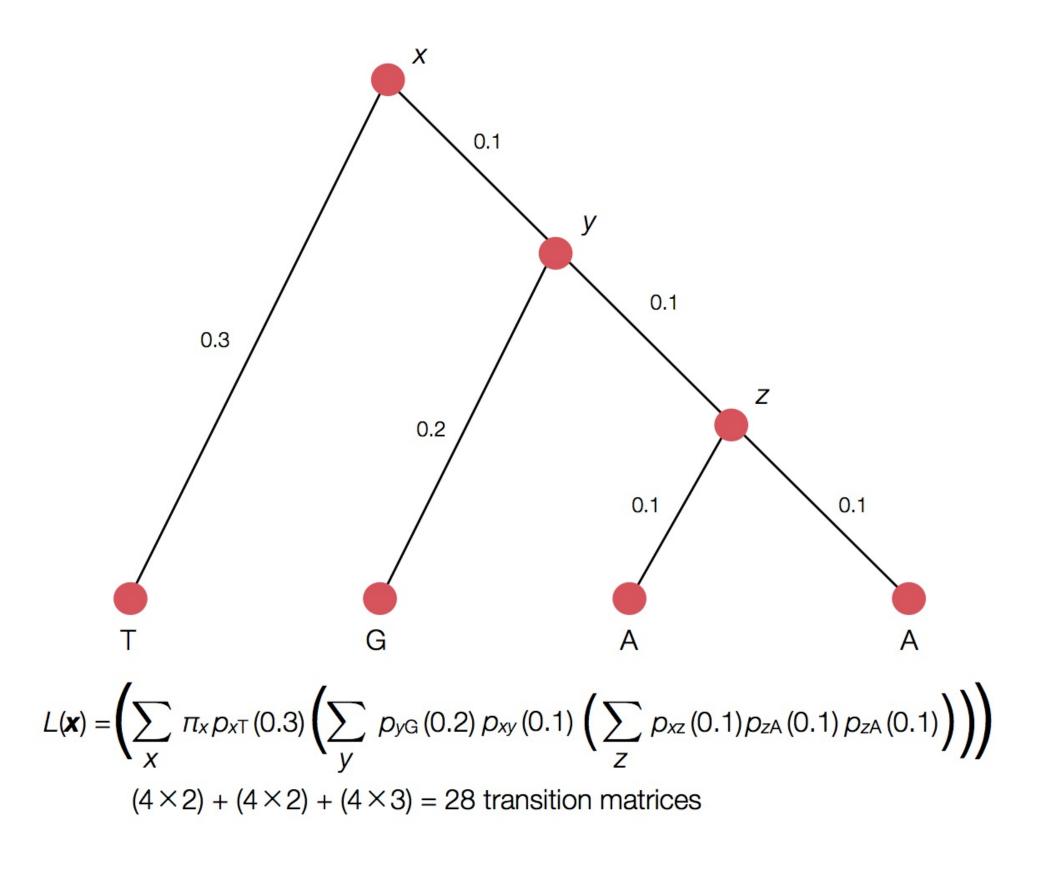
Rather than enumerating all possible internal states



$$L(\mathbf{x}) = \sum_{X} \sum_{Y} \sum_{Z} \pi_{X} p_{XT}(0.3) p_{yG}(0.2) p_{xy}(0.1) p_{xz}(0.1) p_{zA}(0.1) p_{zA}(0.1)$$

$$4 \times 4 \times 4 \times 7 = 448 \text{ transition matrices}$$

Can use Felstenstein's pruning algorithm to speed up calculation



MLinference

Inference becomes a search for the tree that maximizes the likelihood of observing tip sequences. Lots of computation goes into this.

Bayesian phylogenetic inference

Bayesian inference

Generally, it's difficult to make probability statements using frequentist statistics. You cannot directly say that model 1 is twice as likely as model 2. People misuse p values in this sort of fashion all the time.

Bayes' rule

Bayes' rule forms the basis of Bayesian inference, it states:

$$\Pr(A \mid B) = rac{\Pr(B \mid A) \Pr(A)}{\Pr(B)}$$

Bayes' rule exercise

For example, let's say we have an Ebola test that is 99% sensitive and 99% specific (meaning if someone has Ebola it will report true 99% of the time and if someone doesn't have Ebola it will report false 99% of the time). Let's further say that 0.1% of the population has Ebola. If we select a random individual and observe a positive test result, what is the probability that they actually have Ebola?

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Bayes' rule exercise

If we select a random individual and observe a positive test result, what is the probability that they actually have Ebola? I.e.

$$\Pr(P \mid E) = 0.99, \Pr(N \mid E) = 0.01,$$
 $\Pr(P \mid NE) = 0.01, \Pr(N \mid NE) = 0.99$ and $\Pr(E) = 0.001.$ In this case, what is $\Pr(E \mid P)$?

Bayesian inference

Bayesian inference applies Bayes' rule in a likelihood context, so that

$$\Pr(heta \,|\, D) = rac{\Pr(D \,|\, heta) \Pr(heta)}{\Pr(D)},$$

where D is data and θ are parameters. $\Pr(D)$ is constant with respect to θ , so that $\Pr(\theta \,|\, D) \propto \Pr(D \,|\, \theta) \Pr(\theta)$. This relationship is often referred to as

posterior \propto likelihood \times prior.

Bayesian inference for Bernoulli model

Following our previous Bernoulli example, we've observed $m{k}$ successes in $m{n}$ trials, and so the likelihood

 $\Pr(k,n\,|\,p)=p^k\,(1-p)^{n-k}$. We'll assume a flat prior $\Pr(p)=1$. In this case, the marginal likelihood follows

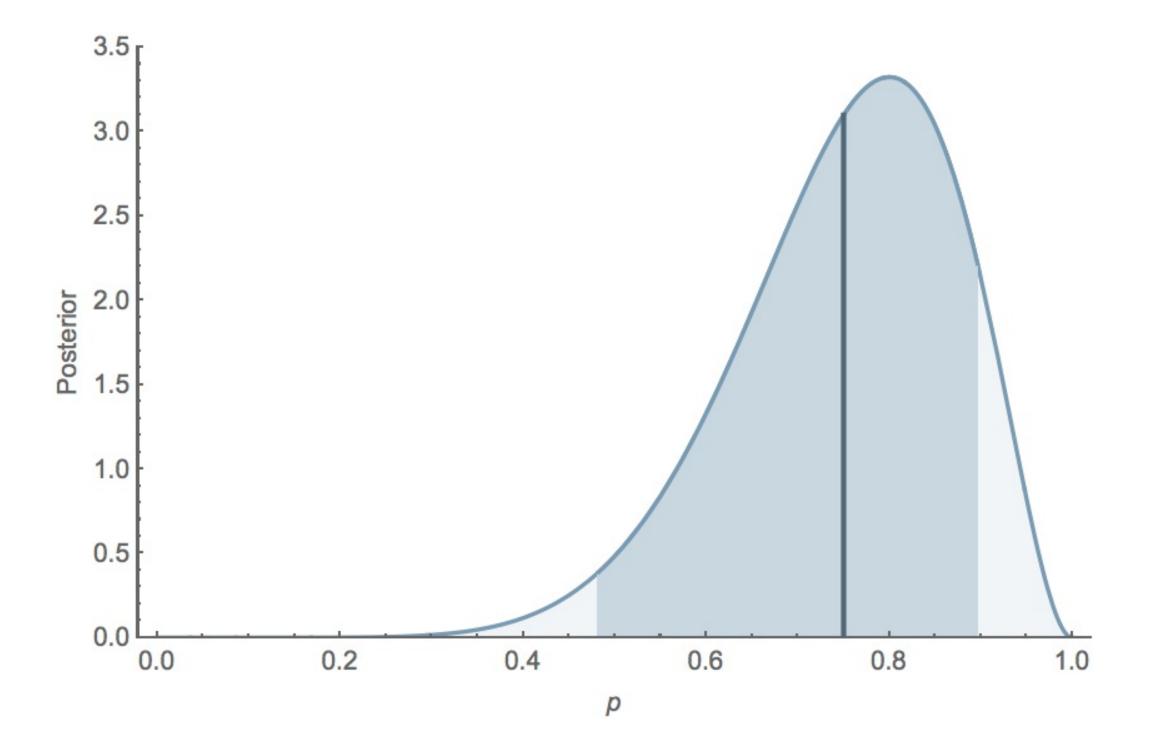
$$\Pr(k,n) = \int_0^1 \Pr(k,n \,|\, p) \Pr(p) \, dp = rac{k! \, (n-k)!}{(n+1)!}.$$

And the full posterior follows

$$\Pr(p \, | \, k, n) = rac{(n+1)! \, p^k \, (1-p)^{n-k}}{k! \, (n-k)!}.$$

Probability statements

If k=8 and n=10, the mean posterior ${
m E}[p]=0.75$, while the 95% credible interval extends from 0.482 to 0.896, and the posterior distribution follows



Bayesian phylogenetic inference

Here, we are interested in the posterior distribution $\Pr(\tau, \mu \mid D)$, where D represents sequence data, τ represents the tree topology and μ represents mutational parameters (like transition vs tranversion rate). In this case,

$$\Pr(\tau, \mu \mid D) \propto \Pr(D \mid \tau, \mu) \Pr(\tau) \Pr(\mu)$$
.

Bayesian coalescent inference

In the case of the coalescent model, we are interested in coalescent rate parameter like λ . Here, we use λ to give the likelihood of observing a particular tree topology $\Pr(\tau \mid \lambda)$. This probability is the likelihood of observing the coalescent intervals seen in the tree.

Bayesian coalescent inference

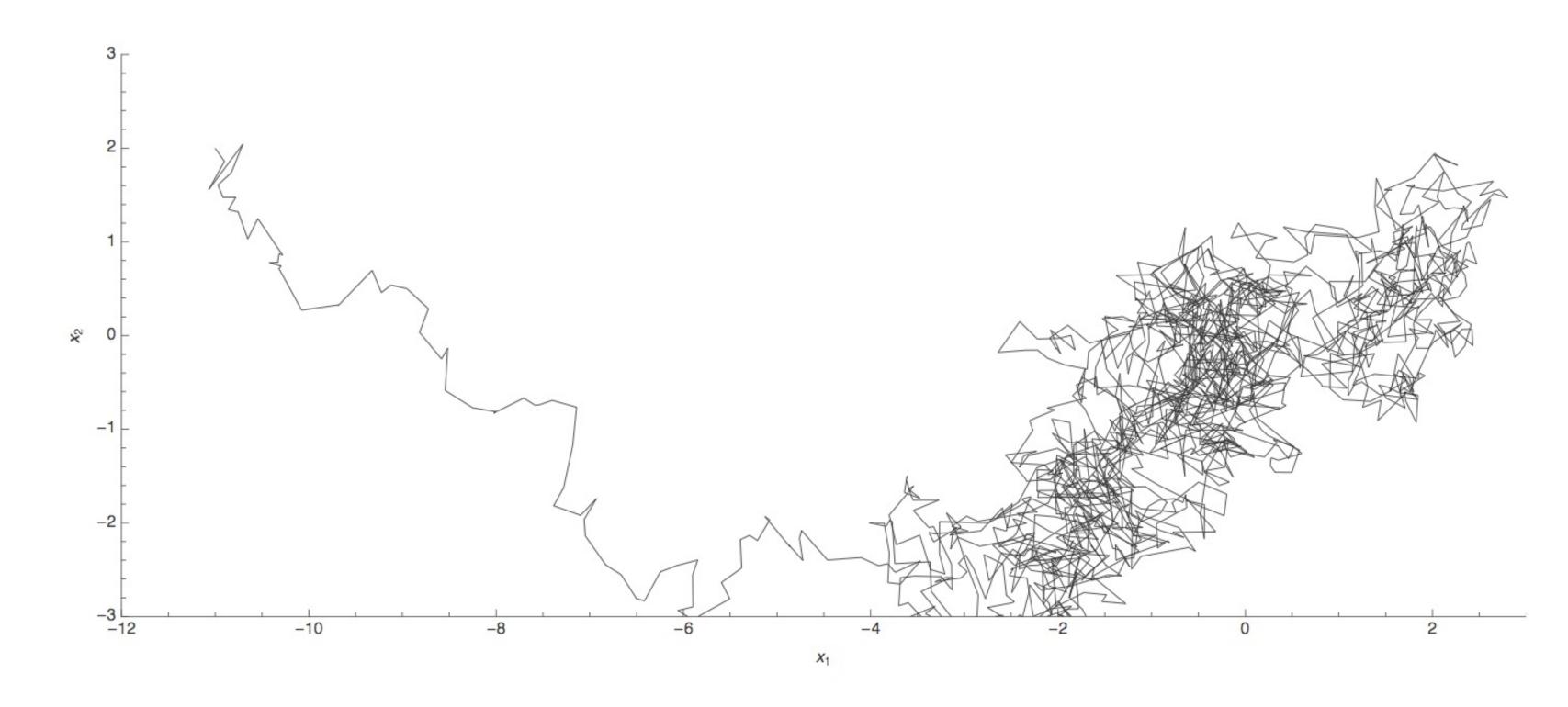
Thus, the full model becomes

$$\Pr(\tau, \mu, \lambda \mid D) \propto \Pr(D \mid \tau, \mu) \Pr(\tau \mid \lambda) \Pr(\lambda) \Pr(\lambda).$$

Bayesian approaches work well to build these sorts of nested models.

BEAST: Bayesian Evolutionary Analysis by Sampling Trees

Markov chain Monte Carlo (MCMC)



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