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- Timing of duplications & gene loss
- Horizontal gene transfer
- History of endosymbiosis
- A root to a tree in the absence of an outgroup sequence / species

# Phylogenetic gene trees: how to make them

- Homology: are two pieces of sequence related; Trees: ±when did they diverge (= how are they related)
- Start from a multiple sequence alignment
- All multiple sequence programs alignments make a global alignment, thus feed it regions that you know are homologous → Domains !
- MUSCLE / clustal / t\_coffee /MAFFT / clustal  $\Omega$
- Visual inspection of alignments (gaps, fragments/ complete sequences, weird things e.g. A)

Visual inspection of alignments: ?!

#### In practice

- Neighbor-joining for very big or very quick trees
- For reliable trees maximum likelihood and/or bayesian methods
- All these methods give unrooted trees

















# Maximum parsimony (MP) and likelihood (ML)

- <u>Maximum parsimony (MP)</u>: the tree that requires the fewest evolutionary events to explain the alignment
- Occam's razor: the simplest explanation of the observations
- <u>Maximum likelihood (ML)</u>: the tree most likely to have led to the alignment given a certain model of evolution





### Maximum parsimony (MP)

- How many trees are there?
   # unrooted trees N<sub>U</sub> = (2n 5)!! = (2n 5) × (2n 7) × ... × 1
  - # rooted trees  $N_R = (2n 3)!! = (2n 3) \times (2n 5) \times ... \times 1$
  - E.g.
    - For 5 species 15 unrooted trees possible,
      for 50 species, 2.84 x 10<sup>74</sup> unrooted trees possible
  - (do you know how many species exist ?)
- For parsimony & maximum-likehood phylogeny: "heuristic searches"



#### **Dollo parsimony**

- The Dollo parsimony method is based on the assumption that a complex character that has been lost during evolution of a particular lineage cannot be regained.
- Dollo parsimony is the method of choice for reconstructing evolution of the gene repertoire of eukaryotic organisms because although multiple, independent losses of a gene in different lineages are common, multiple gains of the same gene are improbable

http://www.oxfordscholarship.com/view/10.1093/acprof:oso/9780199297306.001.0001/acprof-9780199297306-chapter-11



#### Annotating gene tree can give all kinds of incredibly cool things but in reality gene trees are very noisy

- For inferring the Tree of Life -> concatenated alignments of hundreds of genes, which allows to filter the alignment for only well behaved positions and provides sufficient data to see the history through the noise
- BUT for gene trees: If strict reconciliation / annotation gene trees would give e.g. many spurious duplications, B









## Gene Trees, Gene Duplications, and Orthology

- · How to make trees
- Bootstrap
- Interpreting trees
- duplications vs speciations vs loss, timing of duplications, HGT
- Orthology













# Recap 2: inparalogs. You have to deal with them.

 When comparing plant or plasmodium proteins to human or yeast proteins, plenty of time for duplications to make genes that are still co-orthologs. Such duplications are thus very frequent, also at shorter time scales (i.e. vertebrates vs invertebrates, flowering plants vs green algae).

#### Molecular evolution is recursive / iterative 1

- To get a good alignment you need a good substitution matrix, to get a good substitution matrix you need a good alignment:
- "PAM matrix: were based on 1572 observed mutations in the <u>phylogenetic trees</u> of 71 families of closely related proteins. The proteins to be studied were selected on the basis of having high similarity with their predecessors. The protein alignments included were required to display at least 85% identity"

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• For \operatorname{PAM}_{\operatorname{n}} M_n = M_1^n
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http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Point\_accepted\_mutation

# Molecular evolution is recursive / iterative 2

• To get a good tree you need a multiple sequence alignment but to get a good multiple sequence alignment you need a tree



### Molecular evolution is recursive / iterative 3: generalized

- To study the a evolution of a gene you need a model / framework of the evolution of the gene, but to get an idea of a proper framework / model of the evolution of a gene, you need the need to study the evolution of a gene
- Thus: heuristics & build on previous results. Start from stuff you trust (alignment of highly identical sequences), and/or only the use the general but flawed overview (e.g. guide tree). Then iterate
- Not yet so automatically solved for evolutionary history of a gene and its homologs as it is for other case ...

#### Science is recursive / iterative

- To study something you need a model / framework of the thing, but to get an idea of a proper framework / model of the thing you need to study the thing
- Thus: heuristics & build on previous results. Start from stuff you trust, and/or only the use the general but flawed overview Then iterate
- This needs to happen in your brains



# Neighbour-Joining (Saitou and Nei, 1987)

- Global measure. keeps total branch length minimal
- At each step, join two nodes such that distances are minimal (criterion of minimal evolution)
- Leads to unrooted tree





