

IPS-164 INTRODUCTION TO PHYLOGENETICS 2022

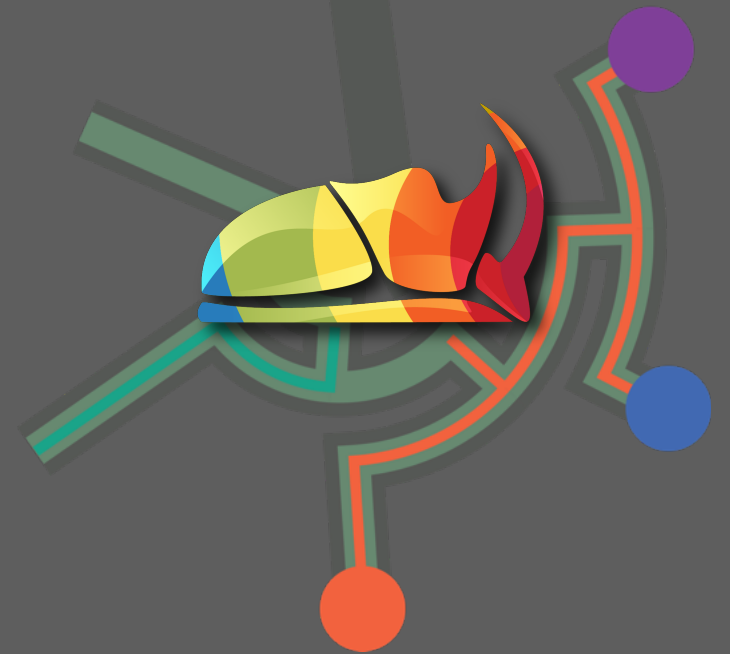
Lecture 7

Intro to statistical phylogenetics. Part II

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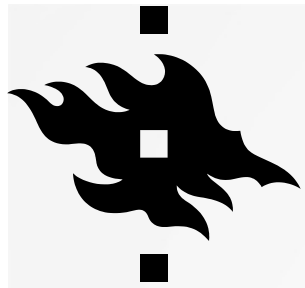
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PLAN OF THE TODAY'S LECTURE

Aim: Derive a Markov model of trait (DNA) evolution and its likelihood inference on phylogenetic tree

1. From Binomial distribution to Markov model
2. We will study general principles of Markov models
3. We will study Markov models on phylogenetic tree; Felsenstein's pruning algorithm

Binomial model (and distribution)

Binomial model gives the probability of seeing k heads in n coin tosses (trials) given that probability of seeing a head in one coin toss is p .

$$B(k|n, p) = \binom{n}{k} p^k (1-p)^{n-k}$$

Number of tosses in an experiment

Number of heads in an experiment

Probability of seeing heads

Probability of seeing tails ($n-k$)

Number of ways to choose k heads

Probability of seeing k heads

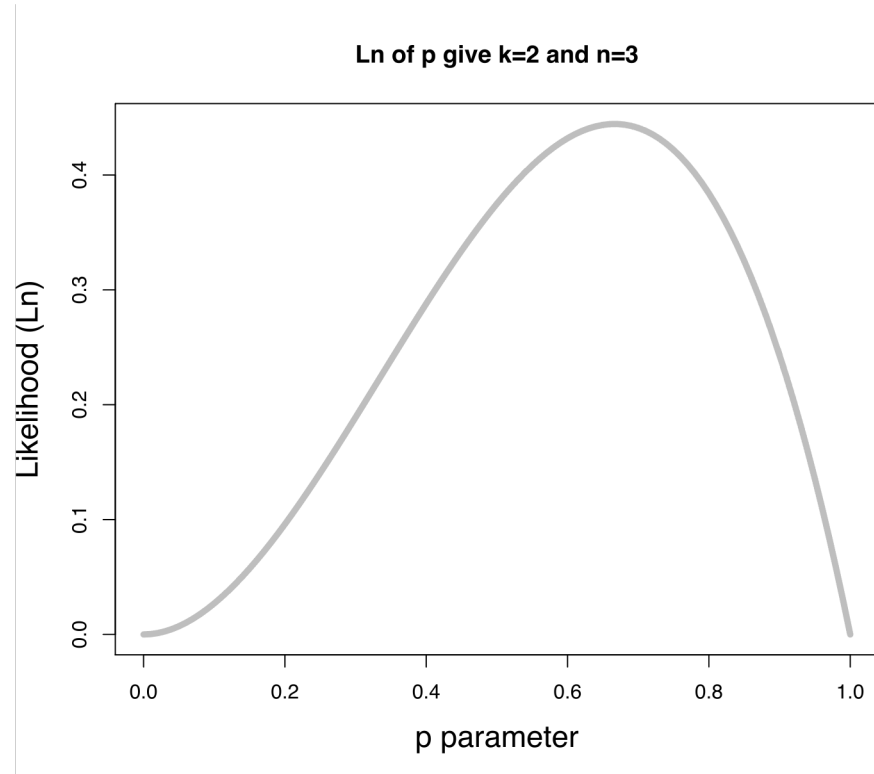
$$\binom{n}{k} = \frac{n!}{k!(n-k)!}$$



- Coin is fair
- We toss the coin 3 times

Likelihood function of Binomial distribution

In statistics, a likelihood function (often simply the likelihood) is a particular function of the parameter of a statistical model given data. Likelihood functions play a key role in statistical inference.



Binomial Likelihood:

Given n and k infer p that maximizes the likelihood function

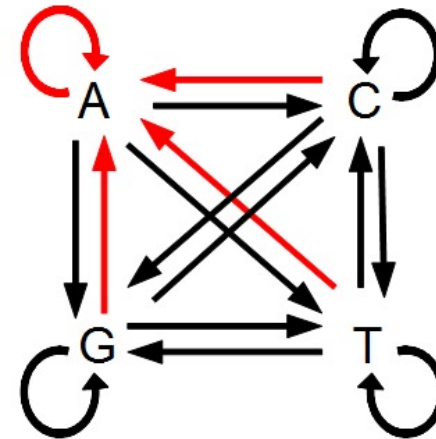
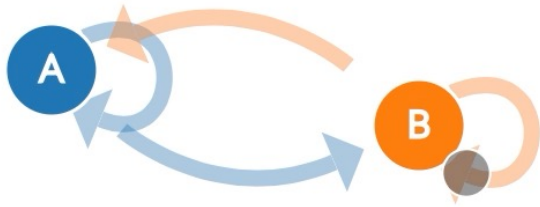
$$Ln(p | n = 3, k = 2) = \binom{n}{k} p^k (1 - p)^{n-k} = \binom{3}{2} p^2 (1 - p)^{3-2}$$



- Domain of p is a value between 0 and 1 (since p is a probability)
- Let's try all p 's to get a likelihood function
- Likelihood function is not a distribution

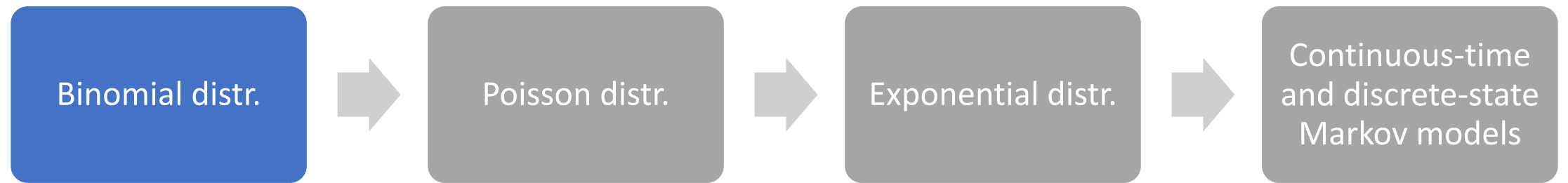
Modeling phylogenetic process: Markov models (Markov chains)

In probability theory, a Markov model is a stochastic model used to model a system that randomly changes from one state to another over time

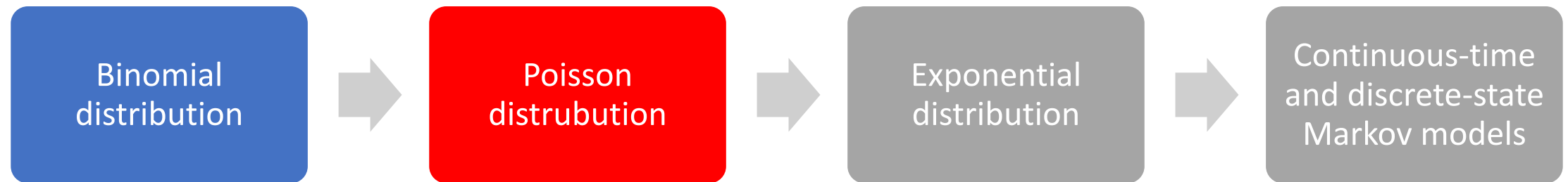


<http://setosa.io/ev/markov-chains/>

Ingredients to derive continuous-time Markov models

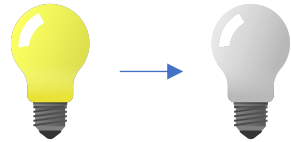


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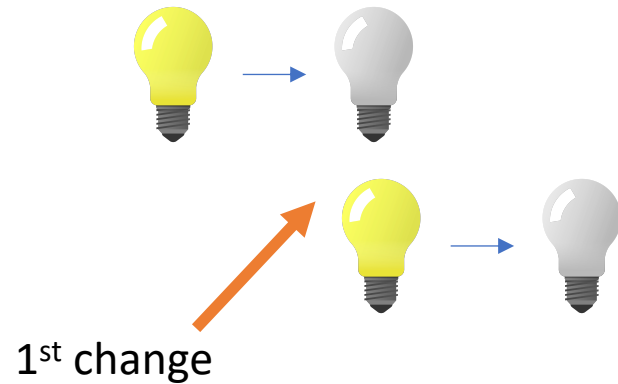
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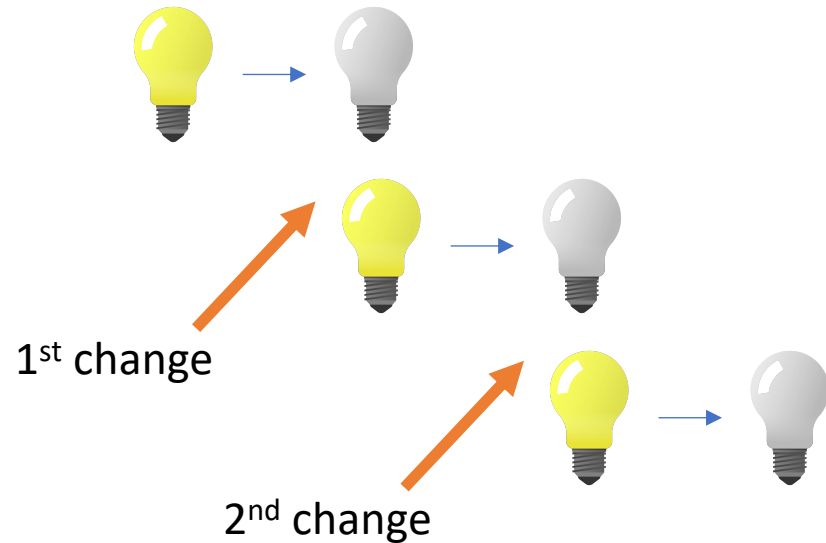
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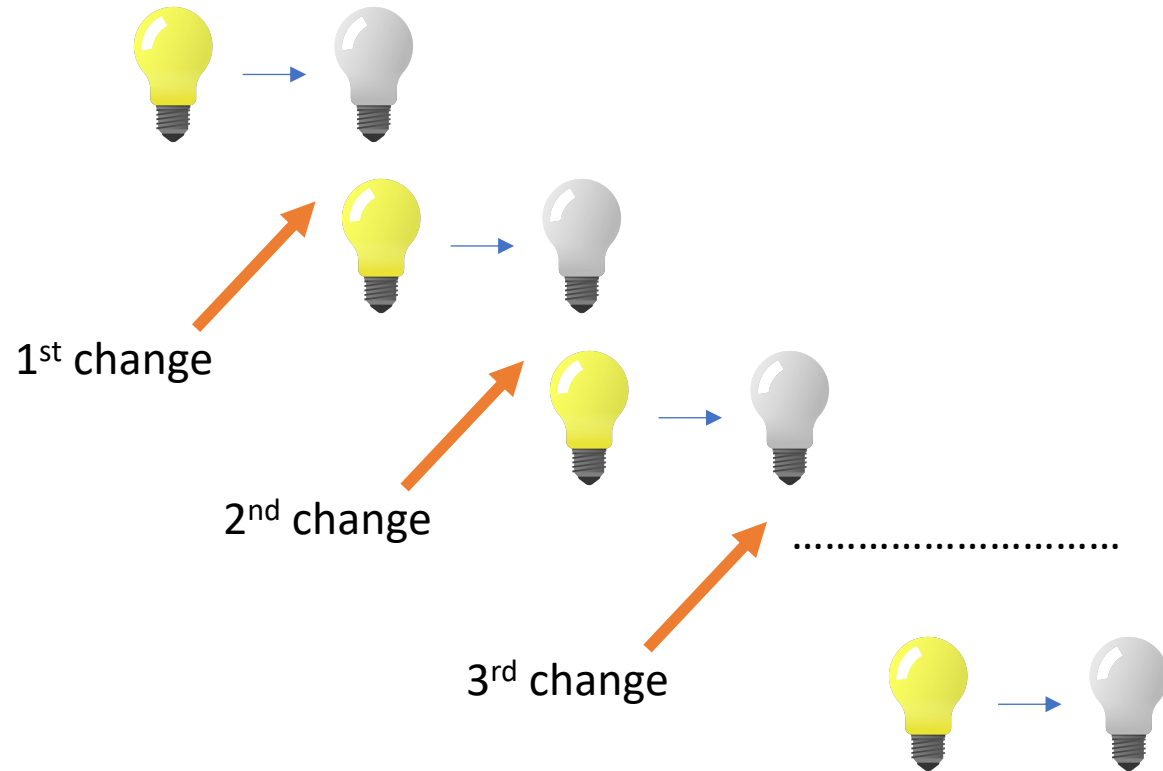
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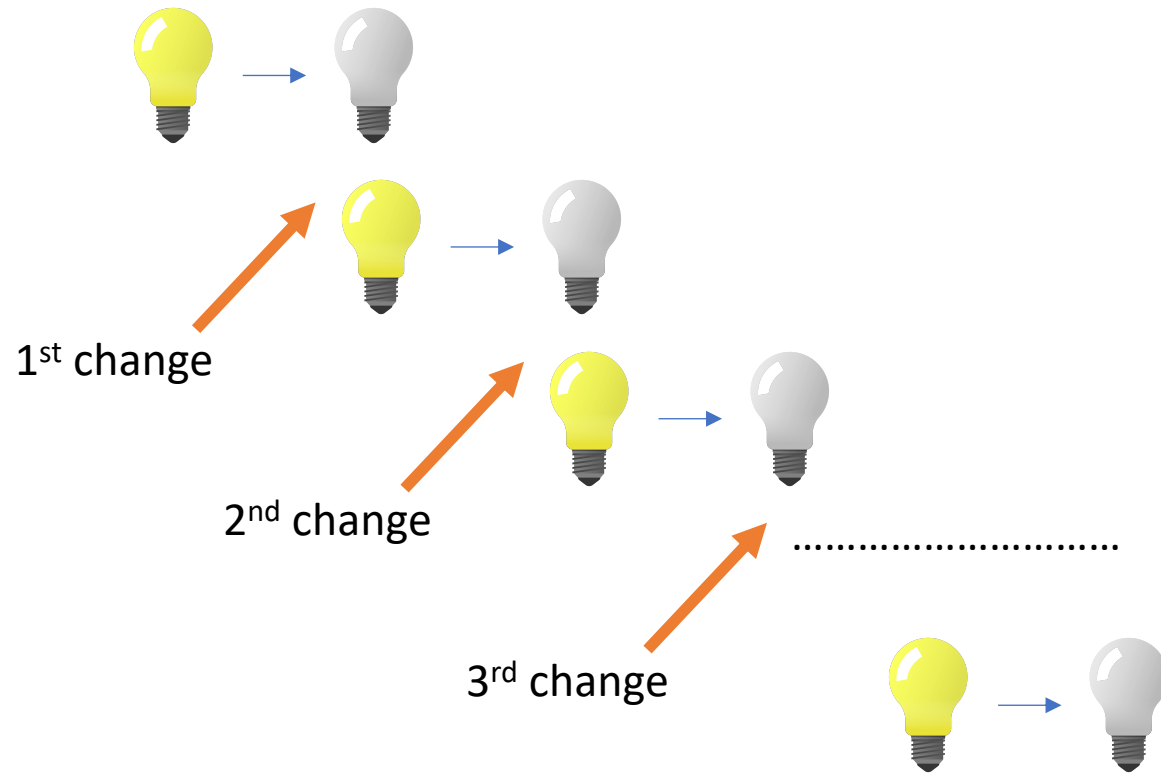
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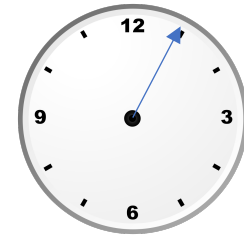


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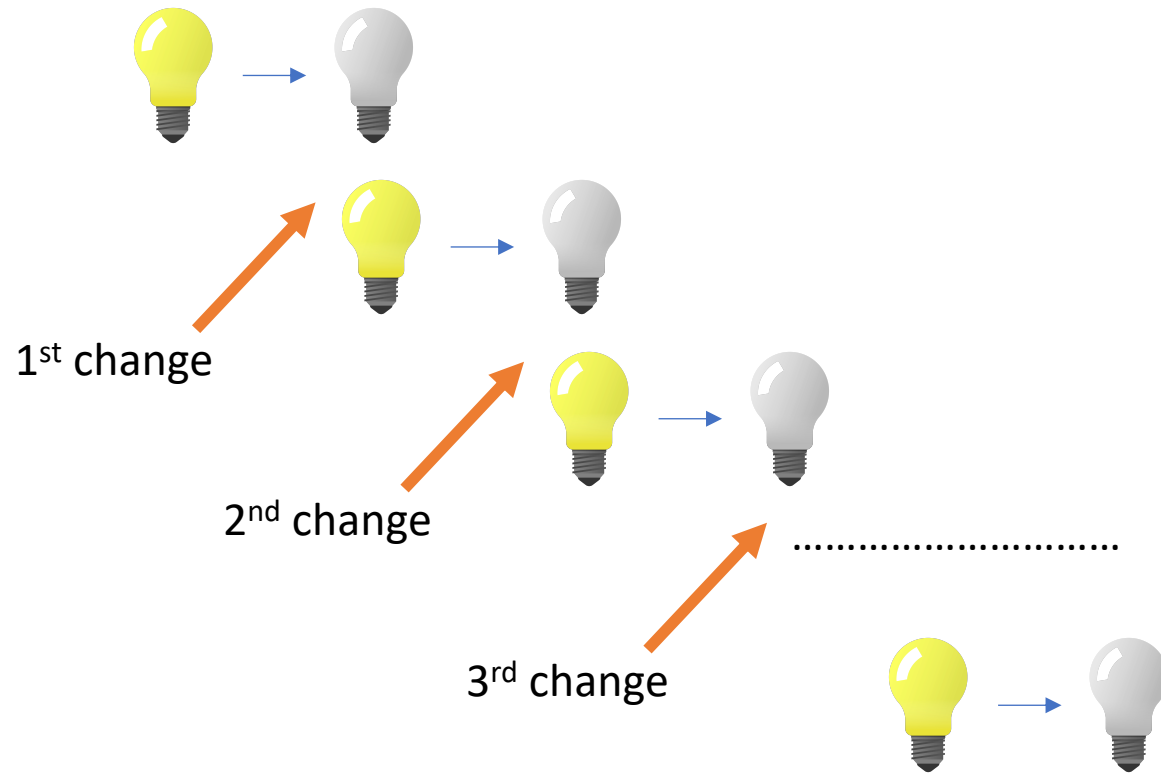


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- For example 1 year.
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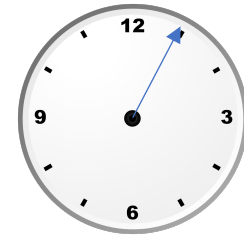


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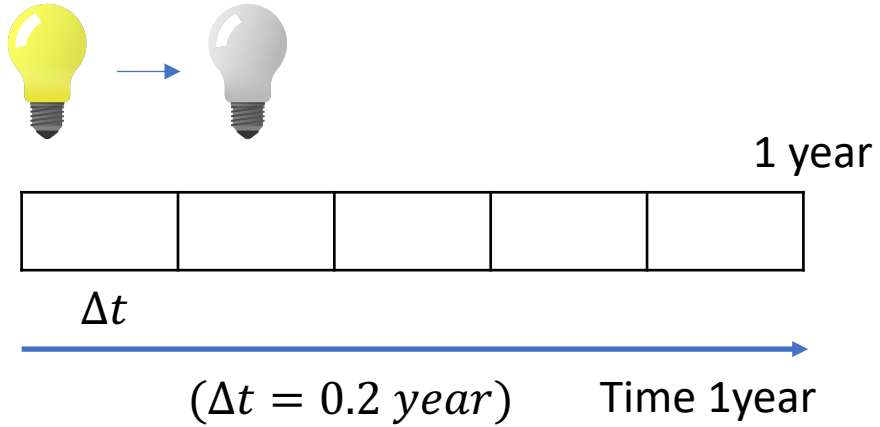


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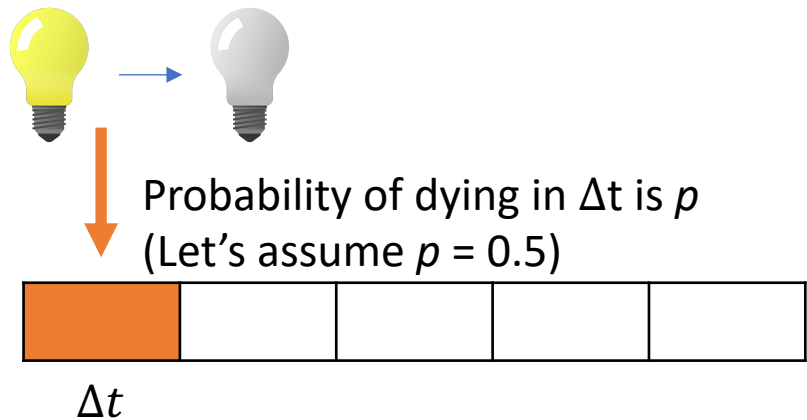
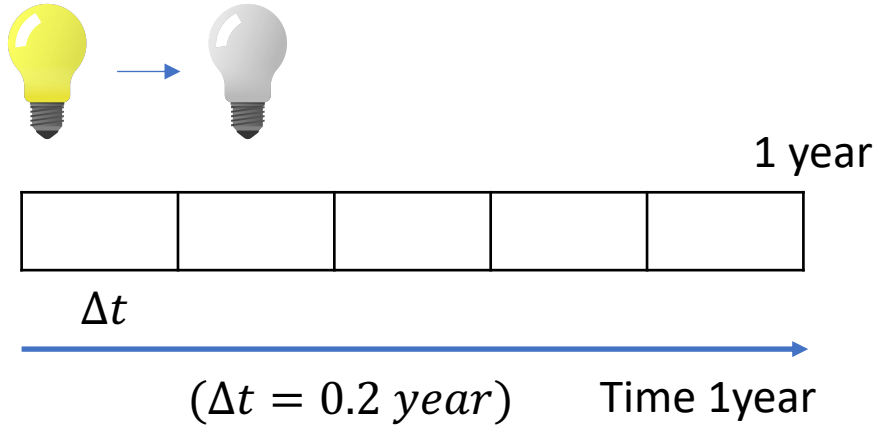


Find a distribution for the number of changes (=number of bulbs that died during one year)!

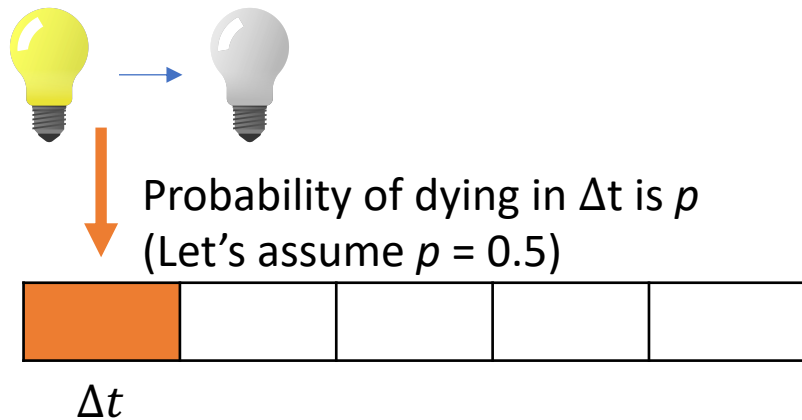
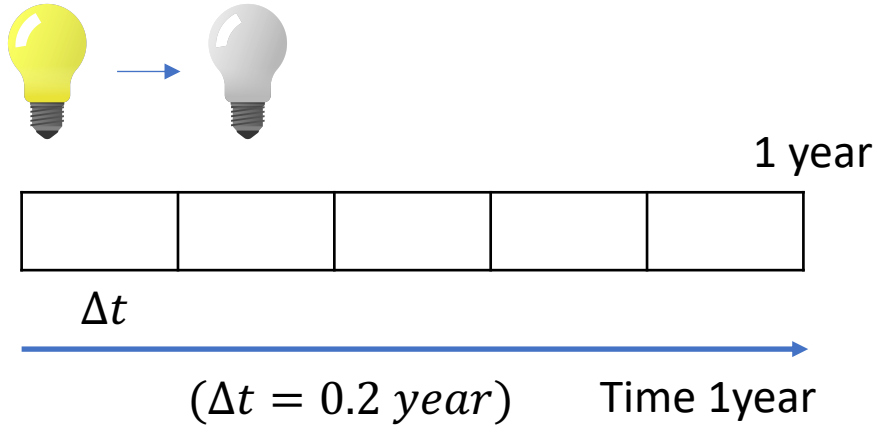
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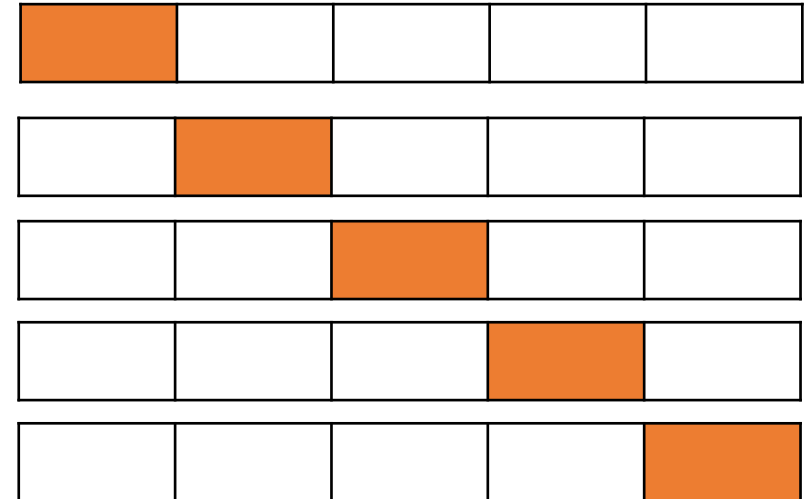
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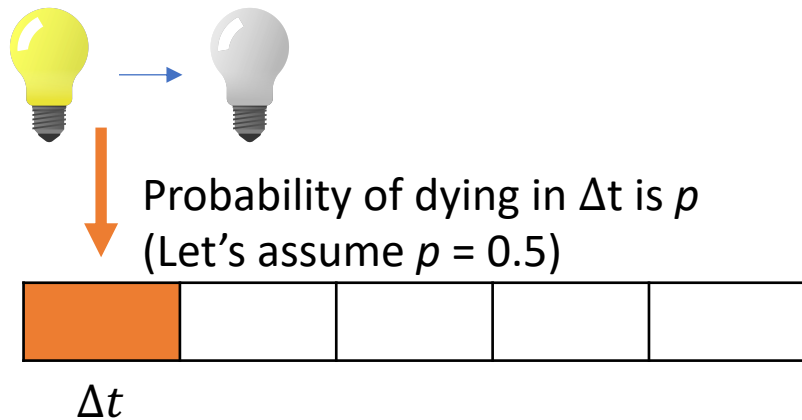
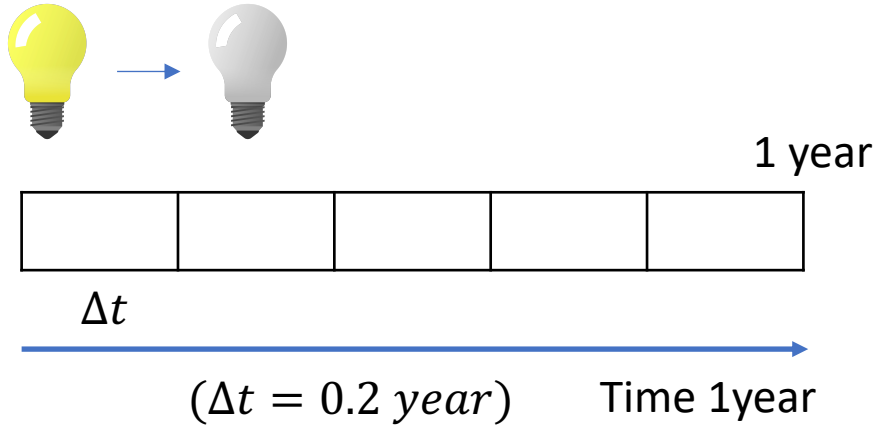
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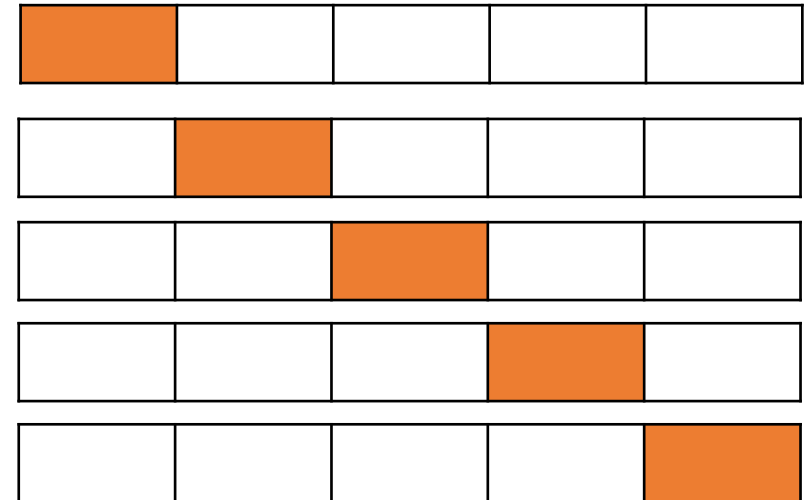
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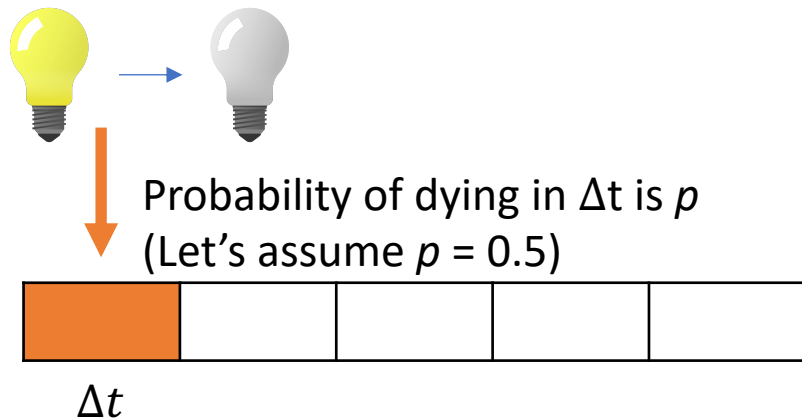
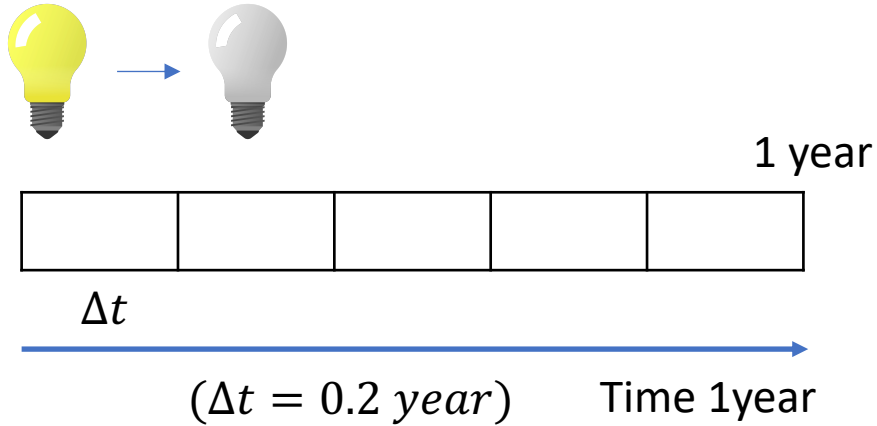
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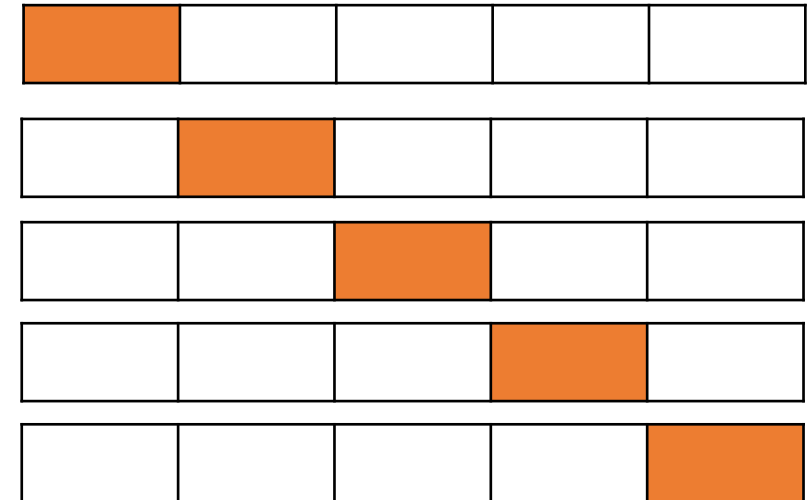
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$$B(k = 1 | n = 5, p = 0.5) = 5 * 0.5^1 0.5^4$$

From Binomial to Poisson distribution

- Probability of two deaths ($k=2$)



..... all other possibilities

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$$B(k = 2 | n = 5, p = 0.5) = \binom{5}{2} 0.5^2 0.5^3$$

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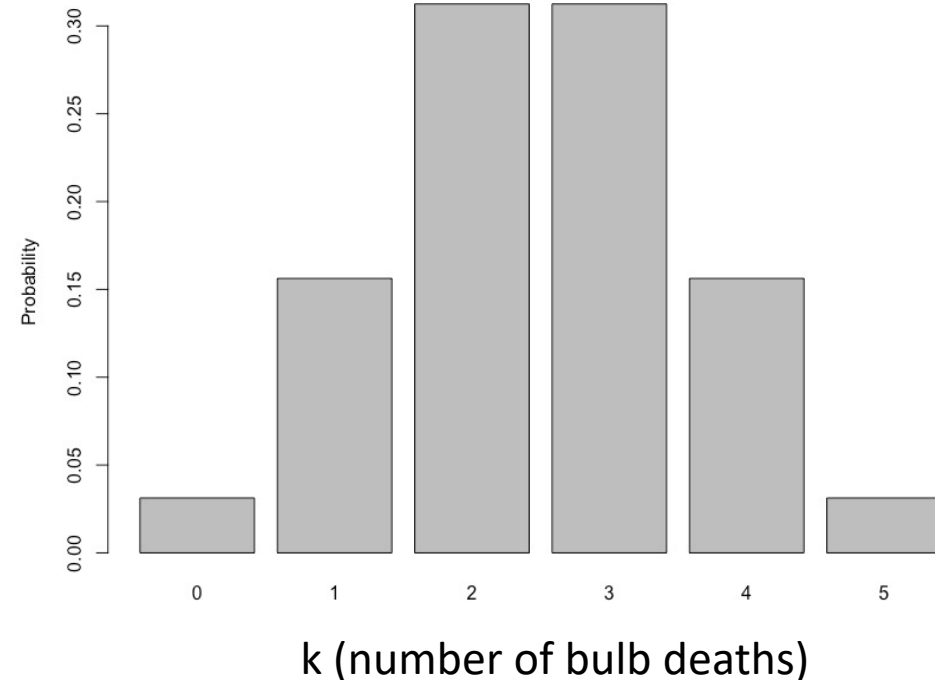
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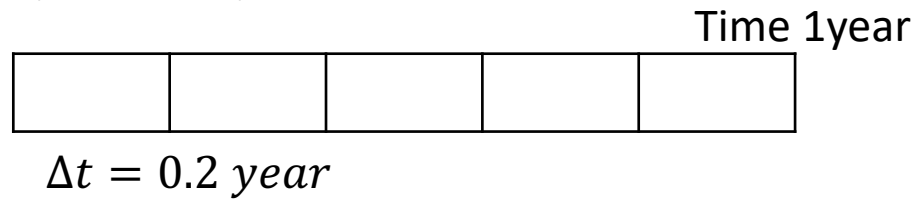
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- Probability of k deaths is Binomial too
Number of bulb deaths over 1 year



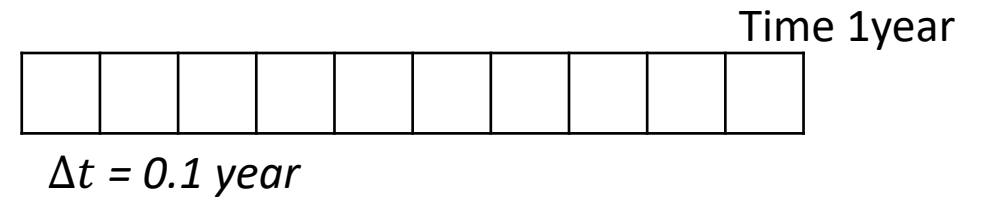
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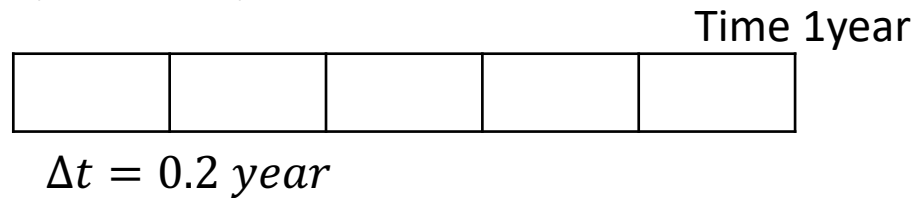
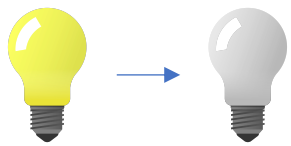
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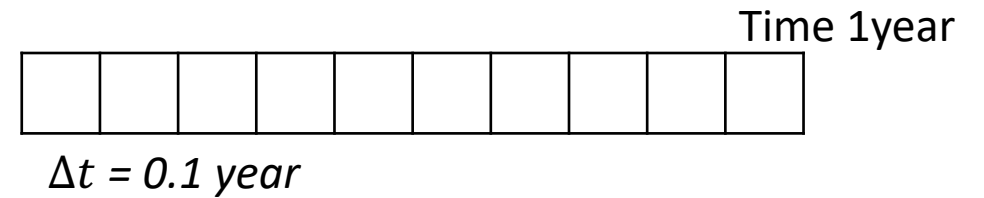
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Key observations:

- Increasing number of bins n decreases p parameter
- Note, that the product np is the same in both cases
 - $10 * 0.25 = 5 * 0.5$
- Let's denote this product as $\lambda = np$

Motivation for Poisson distribution

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$$\text{Poisson}(k|\lambda) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \binom{n}{k} p^k (1 - p)^{n-k} = \frac{e^{-\lambda} \lambda^k}{k!}$$

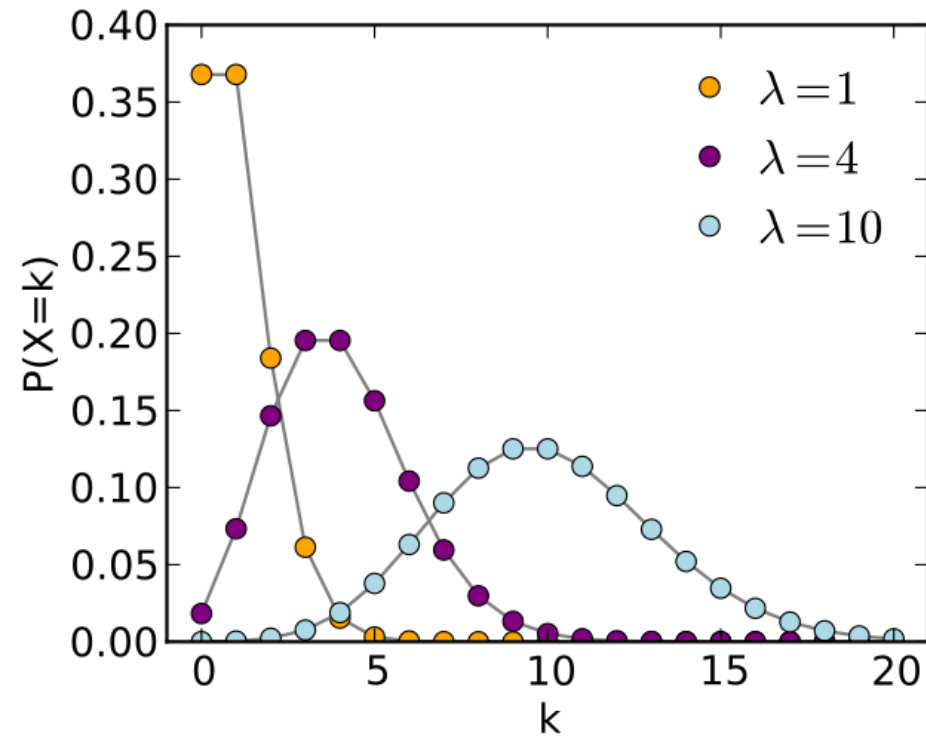
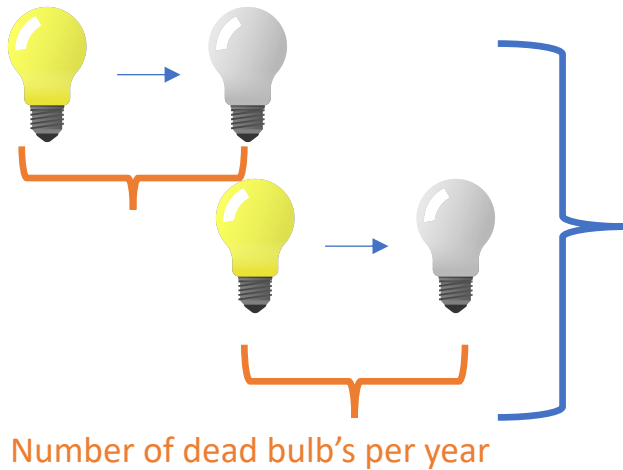


$$\text{Poisson}(k|\lambda, t) = \frac{e^{-\lambda t} (\lambda t)^k}{k!}$$

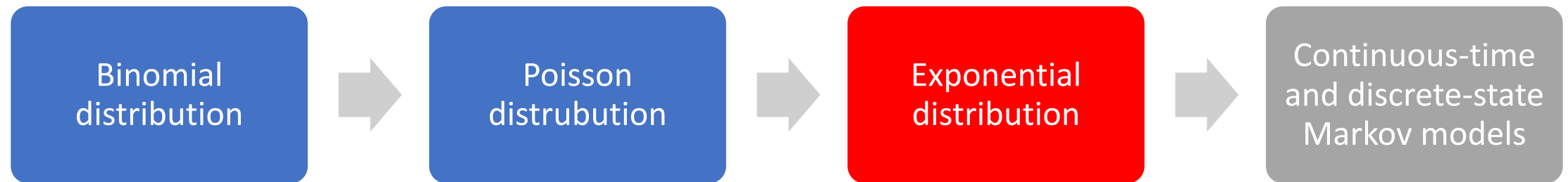
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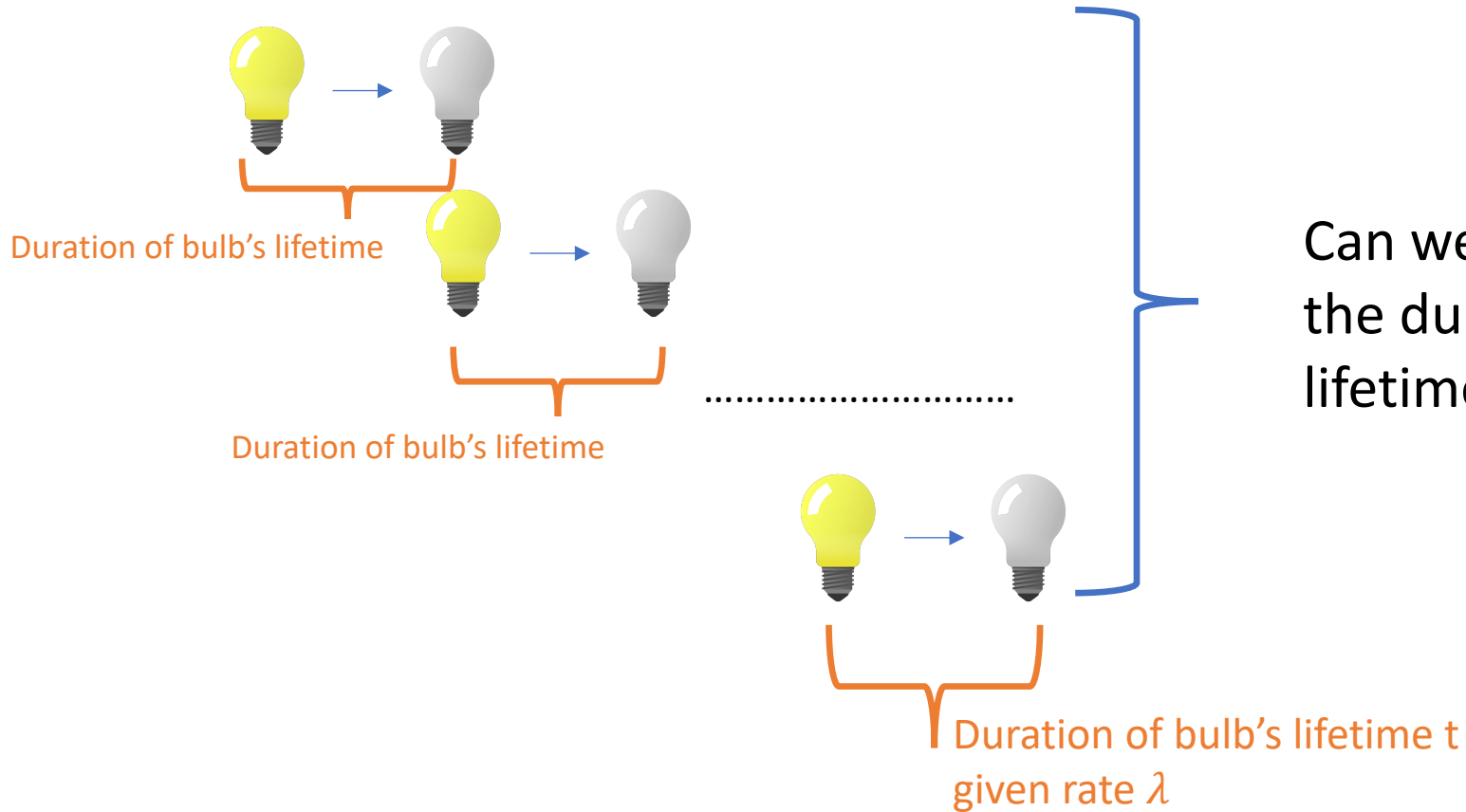
- λ is called the rate parameter
- Poisson distr. shows the number of changes k given λ and time t



Ingredients to derive continuous-time Markov models



From Poisson to Exponential distribution



Can we derive a distribution for the duration of the bulb's lifetime?

Let's step aside and think how this distribution would look like

Deriving Exponential distribution

$$\text{Poisson}(k | \lambda, t) = \frac{e^{-\lambda t} (\lambda t)^k}{k!}$$

Observing exactly 0 changes

$$\text{Poisson}(k = 0 | \lambda, t) = \frac{e^{-\lambda t} (\lambda t)^0}{0!} = e^{-\lambda t}$$

Observing more than 0 changes
(something happens)

$$\text{Poisson}(k > 0 | \lambda, t) = \frac{e^{-\lambda t} (\lambda t)^0}{0!} = 1 - e^{-\lambda t}$$

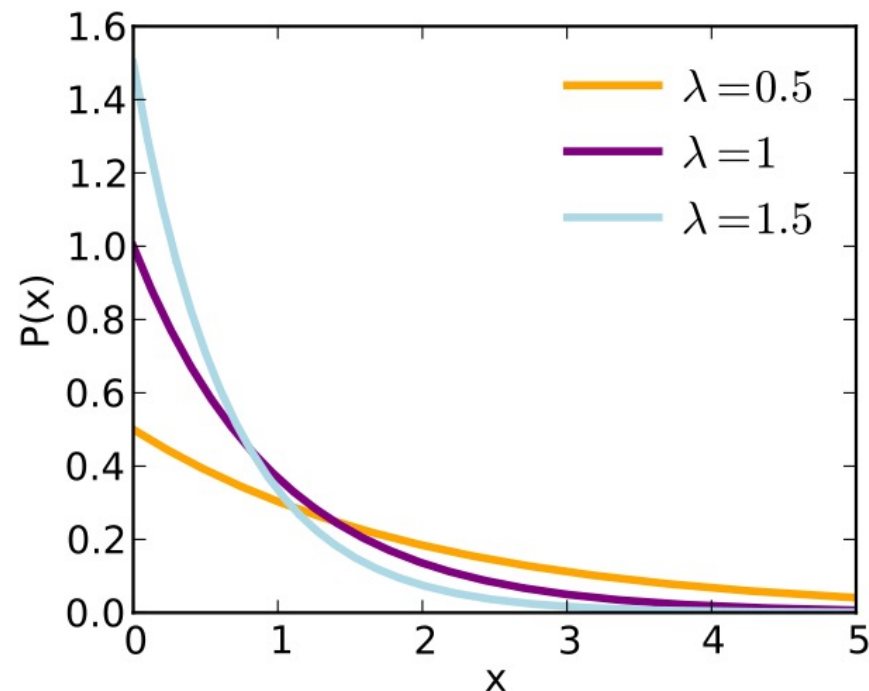
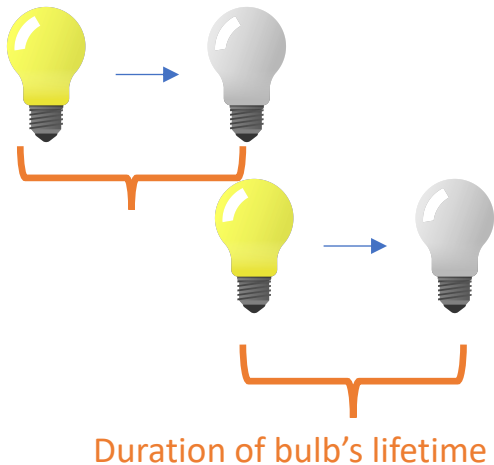
Differentiating with respect to time

$$\frac{d}{dt} (1 - e^{-\lambda t}) = \lambda e^{-\lambda t}$$

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

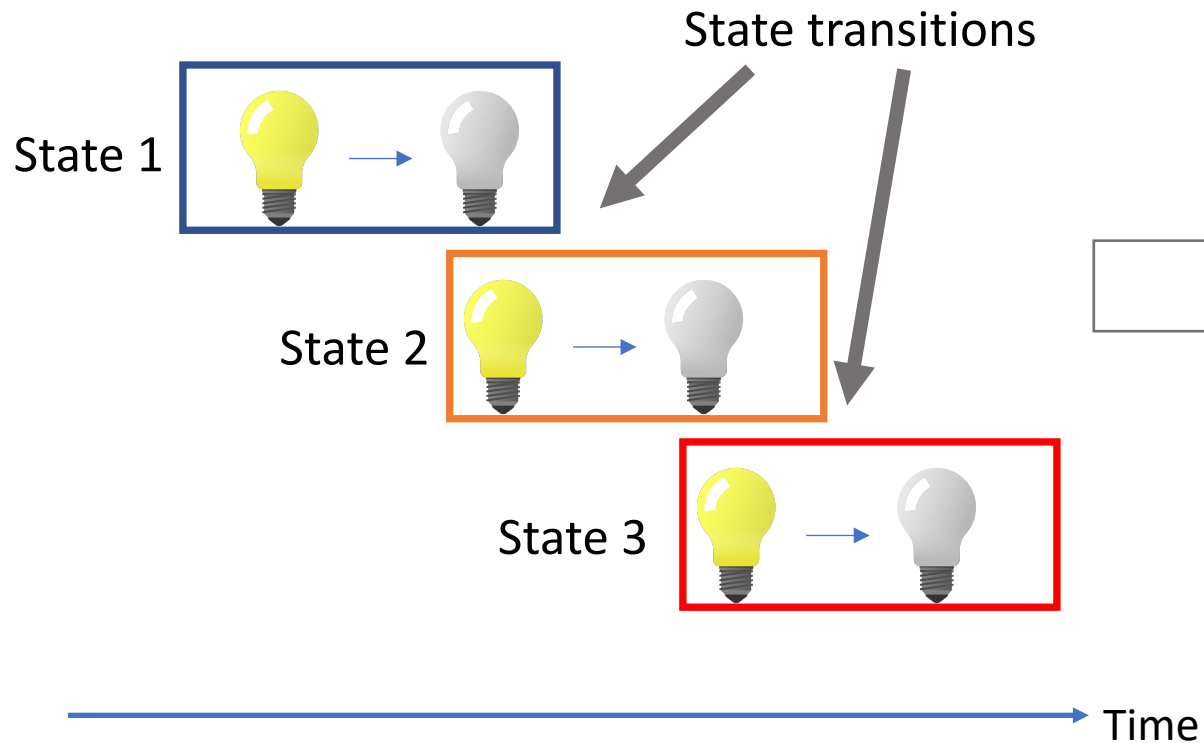
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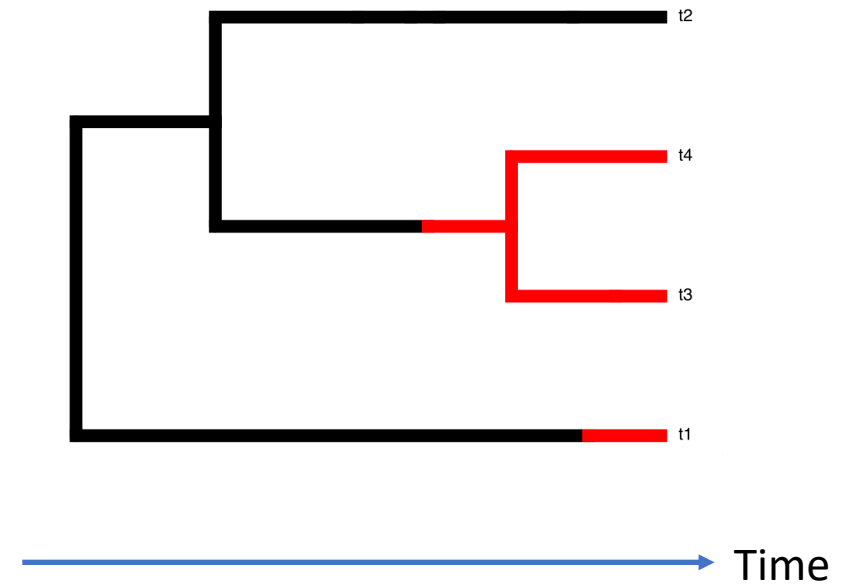


- Exponential and Poisson are the same processes but different aspects
- Same interpretation of the parameter λ (=rate)
- λ is the mean number of changes over time interval in Poisson

Now we can model events occurring over time !



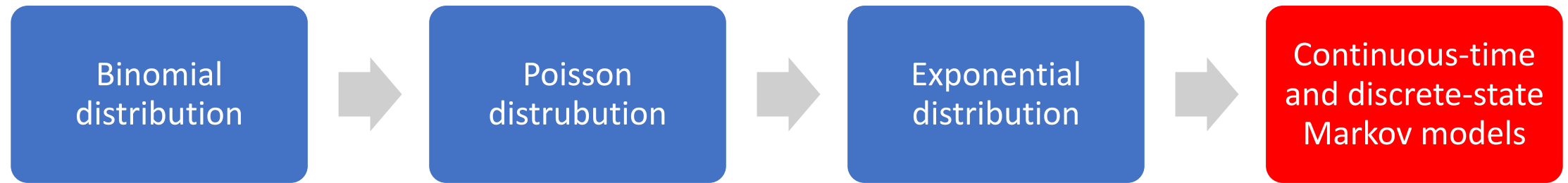
Evolution of characters on a tree is the the state transitions over time



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Modeling phylogenetic process: Markov models (Markov chains)

- In probability theory, a Markov model is a stochastic model used to model randomly changing systems
- It is assumed that future states depend only on the current state, not on the events that occurred before it (that is, it assumes the Markov property)

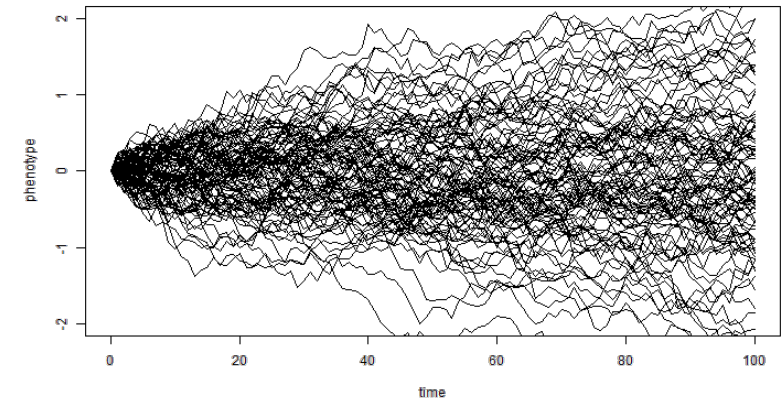
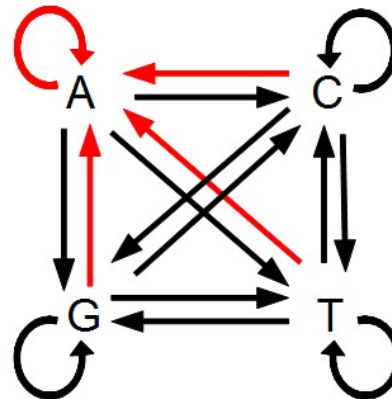


Andrey Markov (1856 – 1922)

Future state depends
only on present state

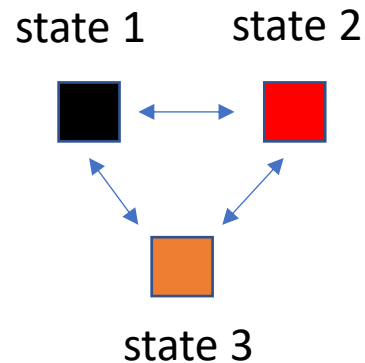


past state → present state → future state

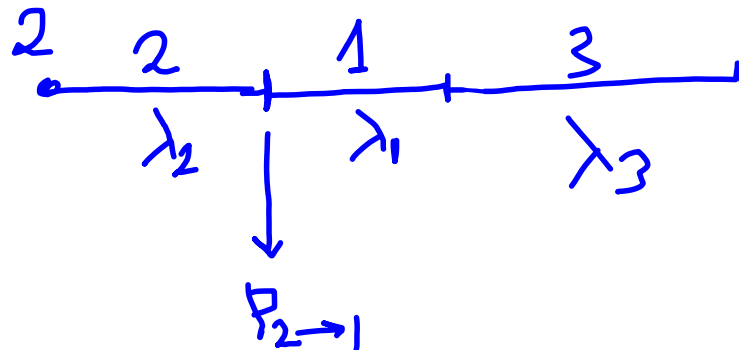


Continuous-time Markov models: creating transition rate matrix

- Let's generalize exponential distribution for modeling transitions between discrete states
- Let's assume that we have a system (organism) that come in three states
- We that the waiting time of staying in each state is exponential distribution

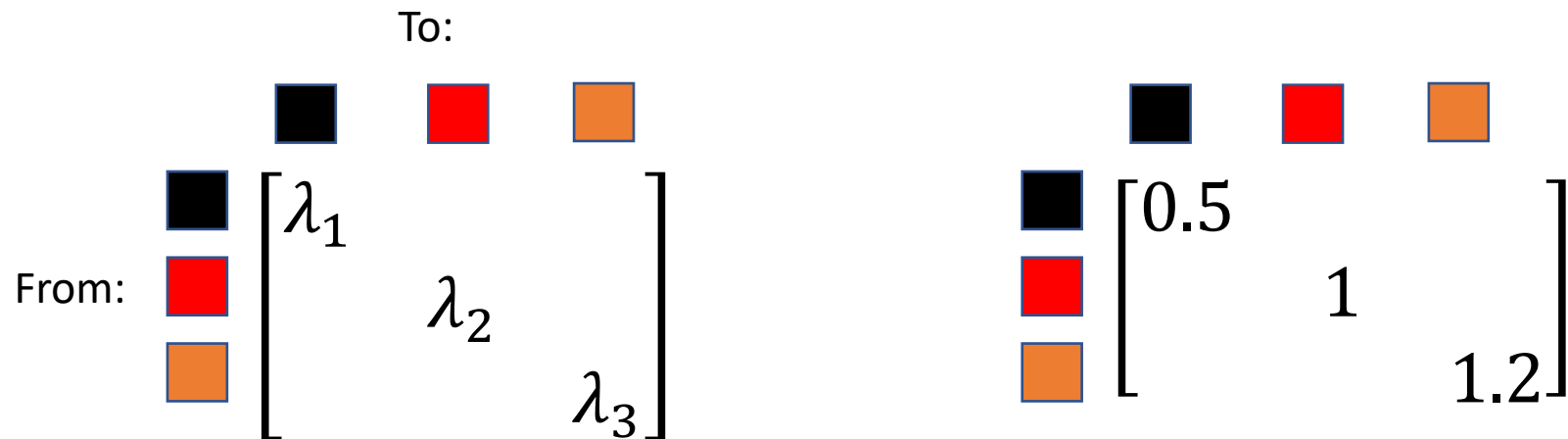
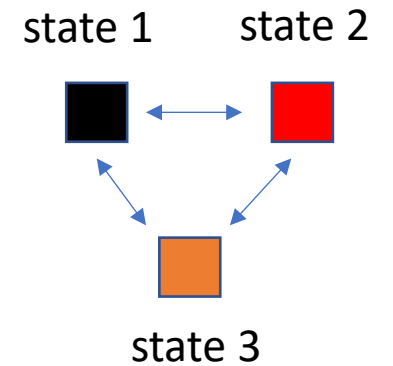


Representing Markov chain evolution

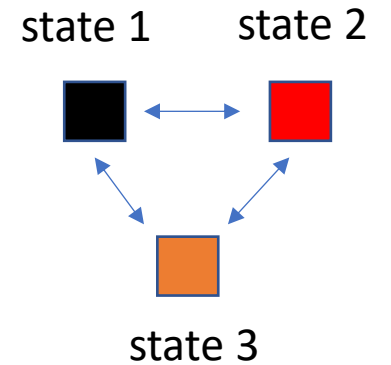


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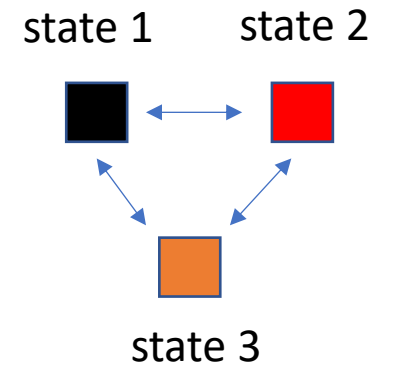
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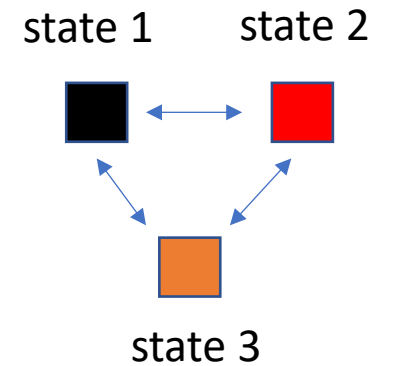
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	p_{21}	λ_2	p_{23}
	p_{31}	p_{32}	λ_3

			
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	0.8	1	0.2
	0.8	0.2	1.2

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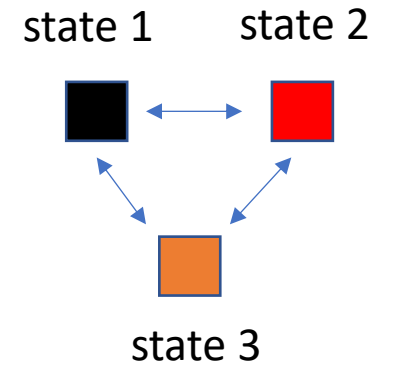


- For mathematical convenience let's make the rates negative

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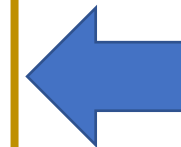
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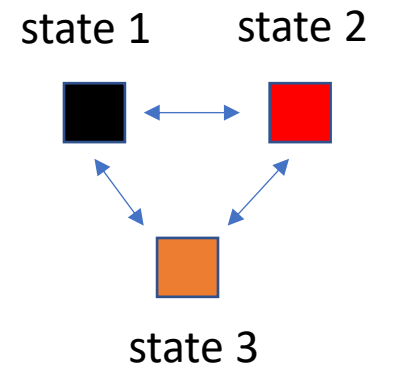
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Transition rate matrix.
Rescaled matrix with entities called infinitesimal rates

From rates to probabilities



- **Transition rate matrix.** Infinitesimal rates

$$Q = \begin{matrix} & \blacksquare & \color{red}\blacksquare & \color{orange}\blacksquare \\ \blacksquare & \begin{bmatrix} -0.5 & 0.4 & 0.1 \\ 0.8 & -1 & 0.2 \\ 0.96 & 0.24 & -1.2 \end{bmatrix} \end{matrix}$$

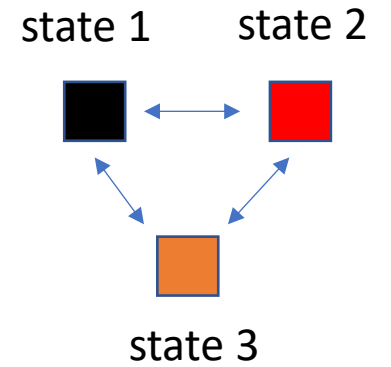
- **Probability transition matrix.** Exponentiate rate matrix

$$P(Q, t) = e^{Qt}$$
$$e^{Q*1} = \begin{bmatrix} 0.72 & 0.2 & 0.08 \\ 0.46 & 0.46 & 0.08 \\ 0.46 & 0.2 & 0.34 \end{bmatrix}$$

Matrix exponential transforms rates into probabilities:

$$e^{Qt} = 1 + \frac{Qt^1}{1!} + \frac{Qt^2}{2!} + \frac{Qt^3}{3!} + \dots$$

Continuous-time Markov models: creating transition rate matrix

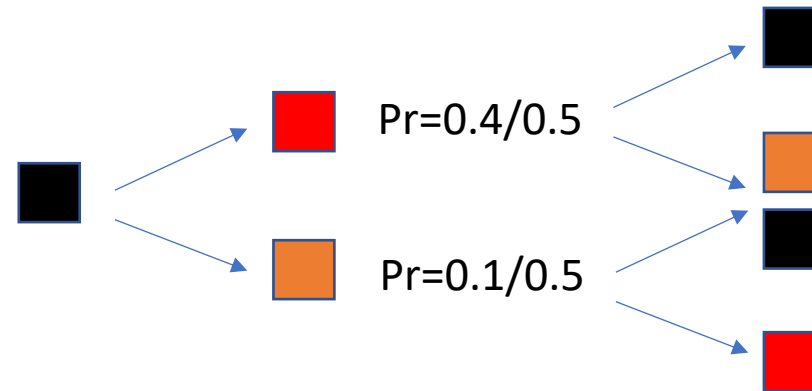


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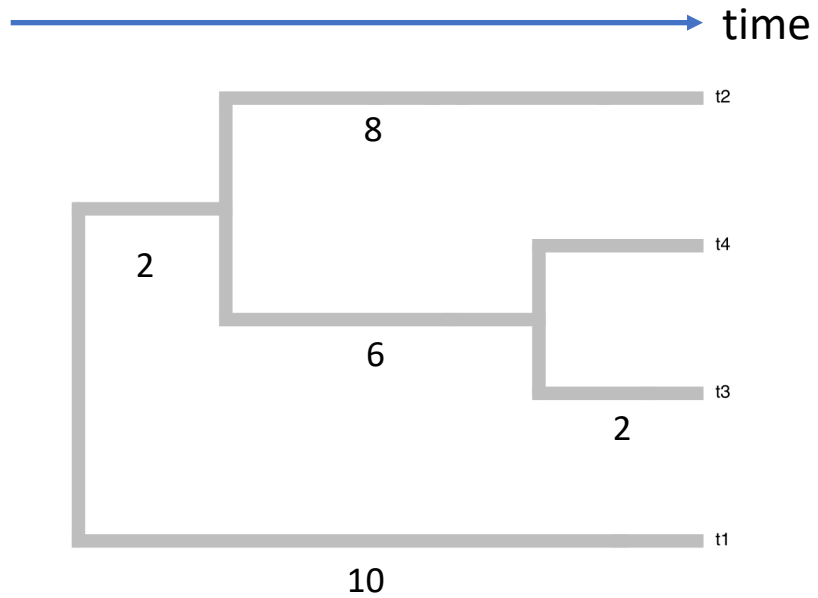
Initial vector of
probabilities



$(1/3, 1/3, 1/3)$




Simulating data under Markov models on a tree



Random number generator

$$Q = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 1 \\ 2 & -2 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{state 1} \begin{array}{c} \blacksquare \\ \blacktriangleleft \end{array} \begin{array}{c} \blacktriangleright \\ \blacksquare \end{array} \text{state 2}$$

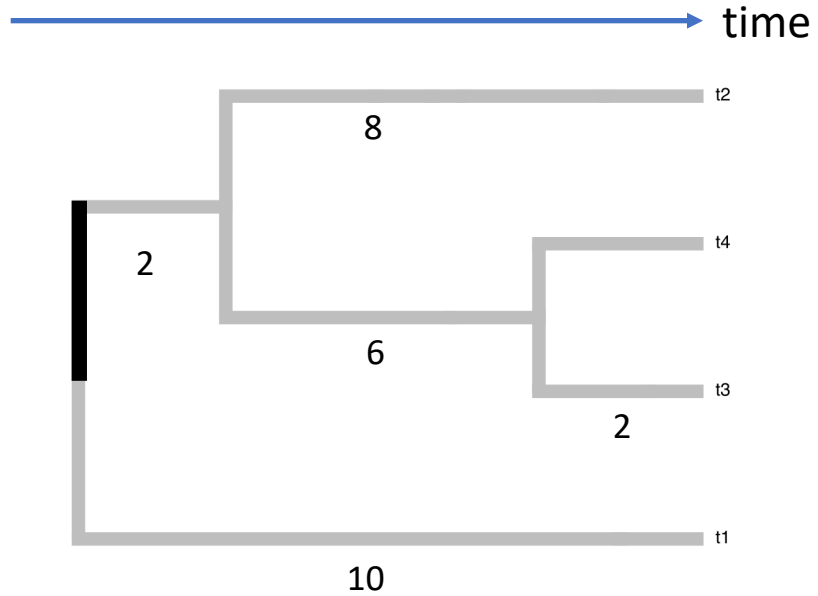
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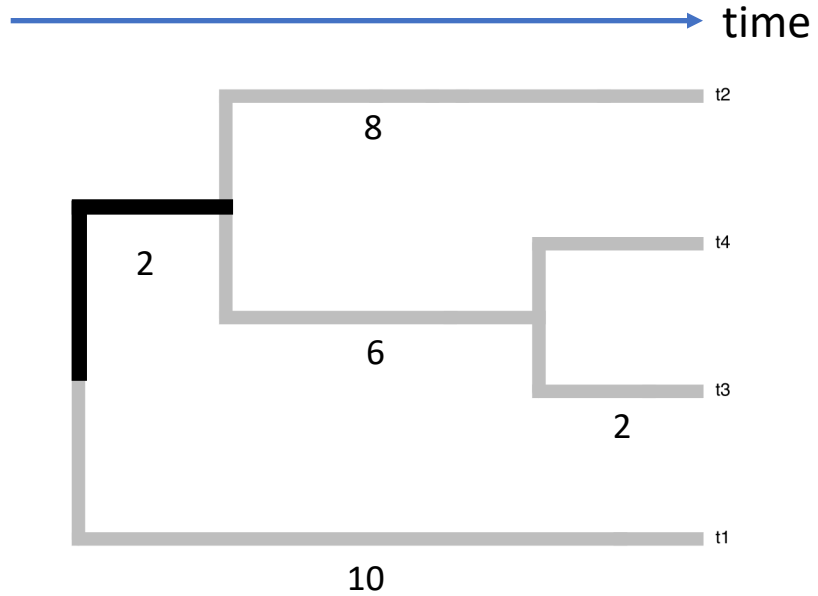
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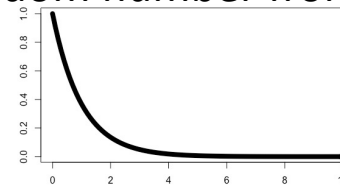
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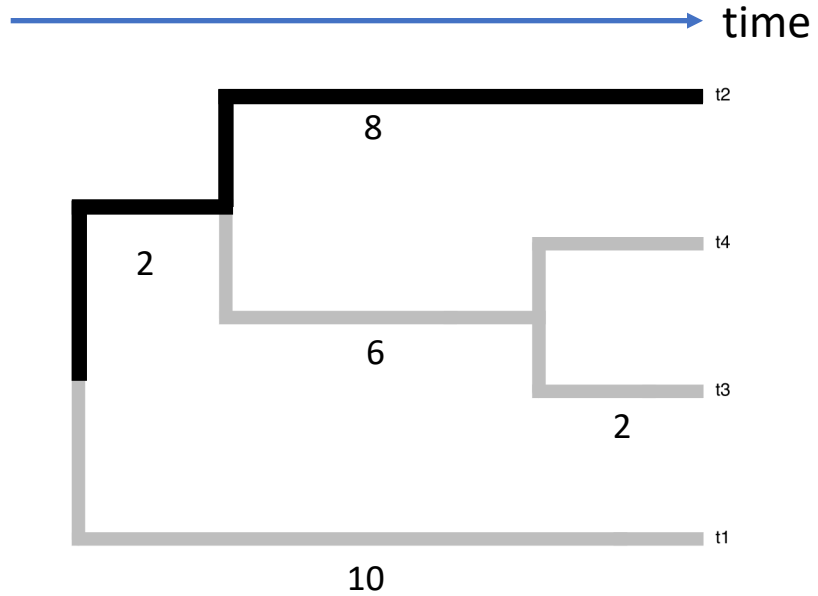
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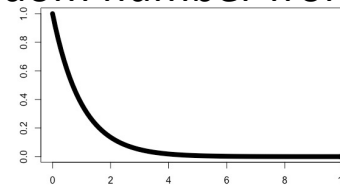
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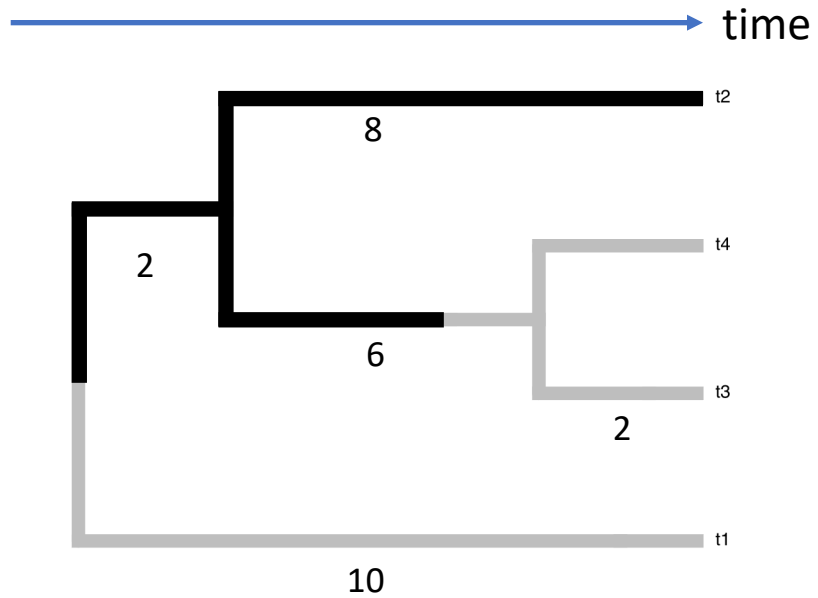
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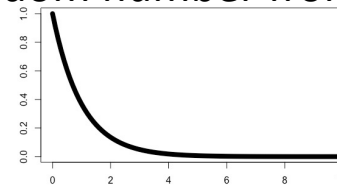
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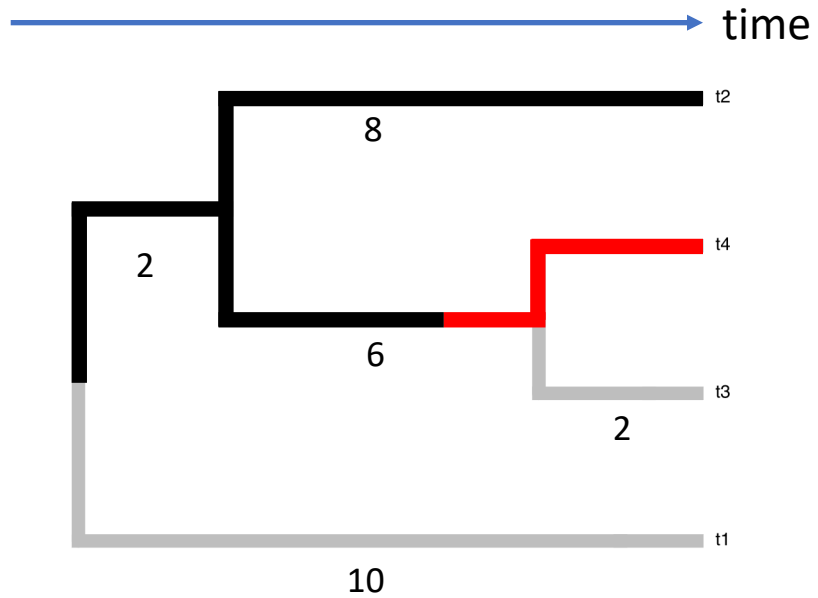
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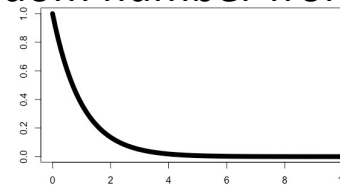
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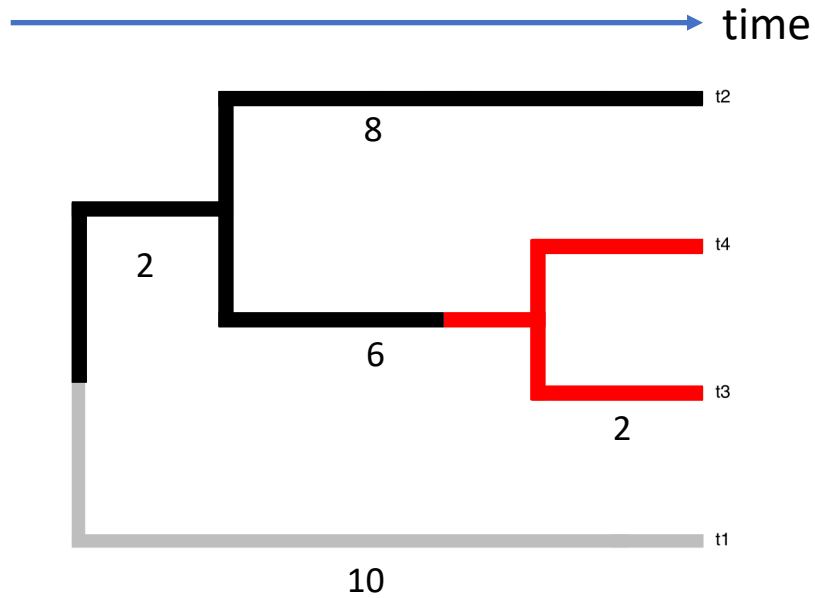
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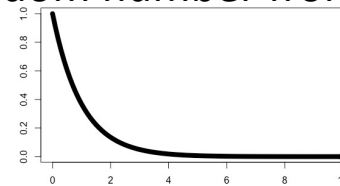
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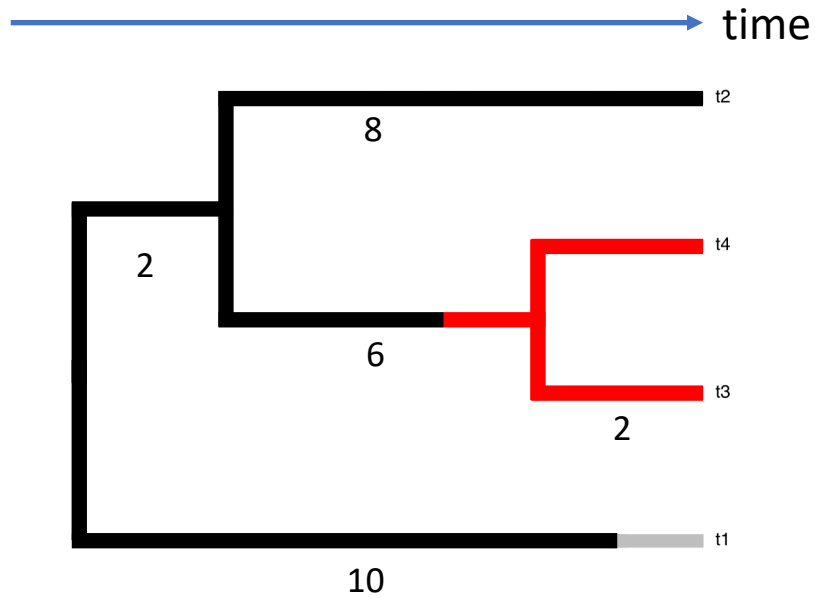
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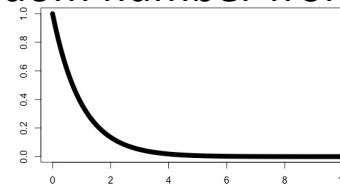
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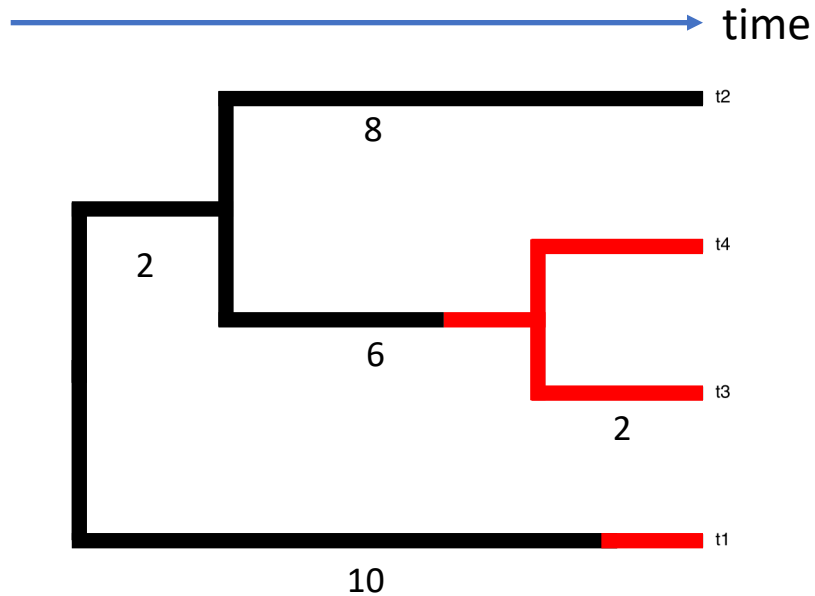
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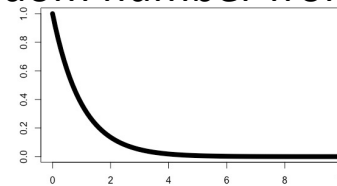
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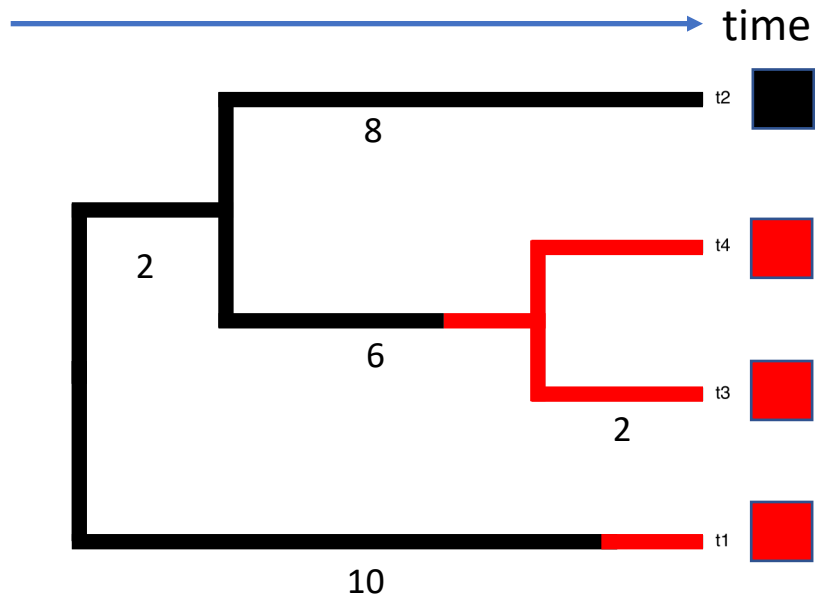
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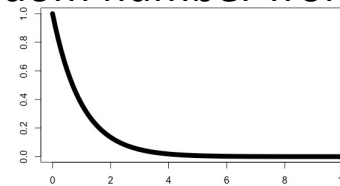
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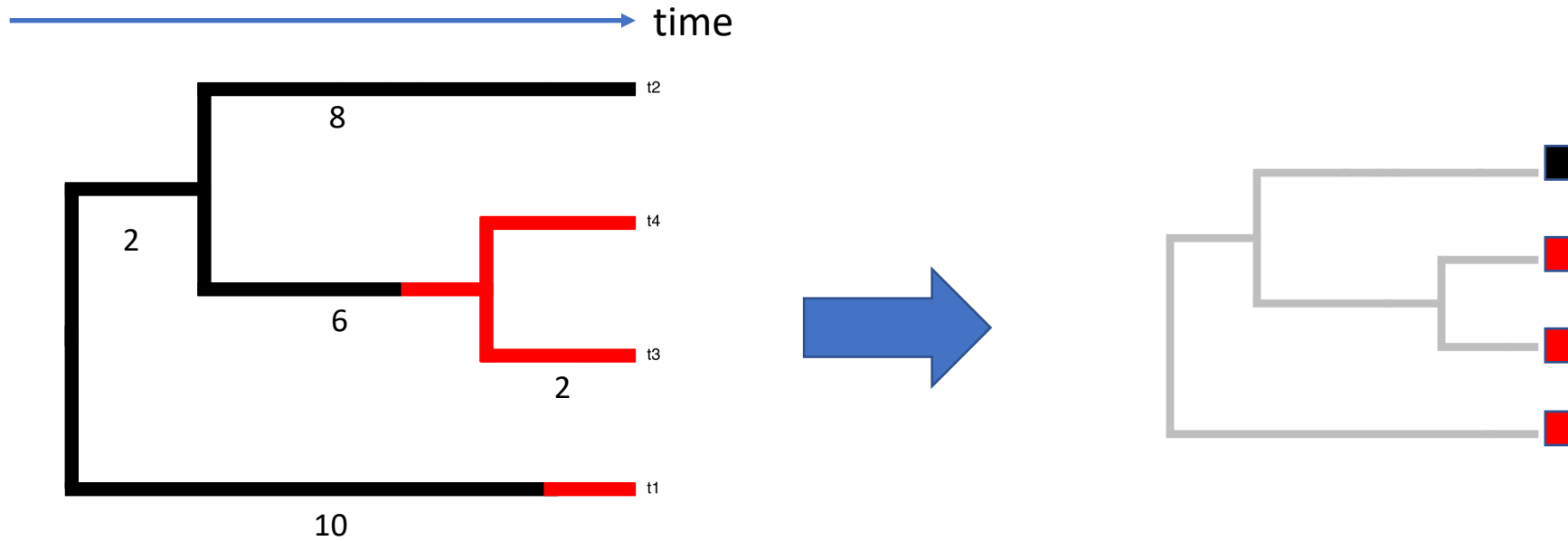
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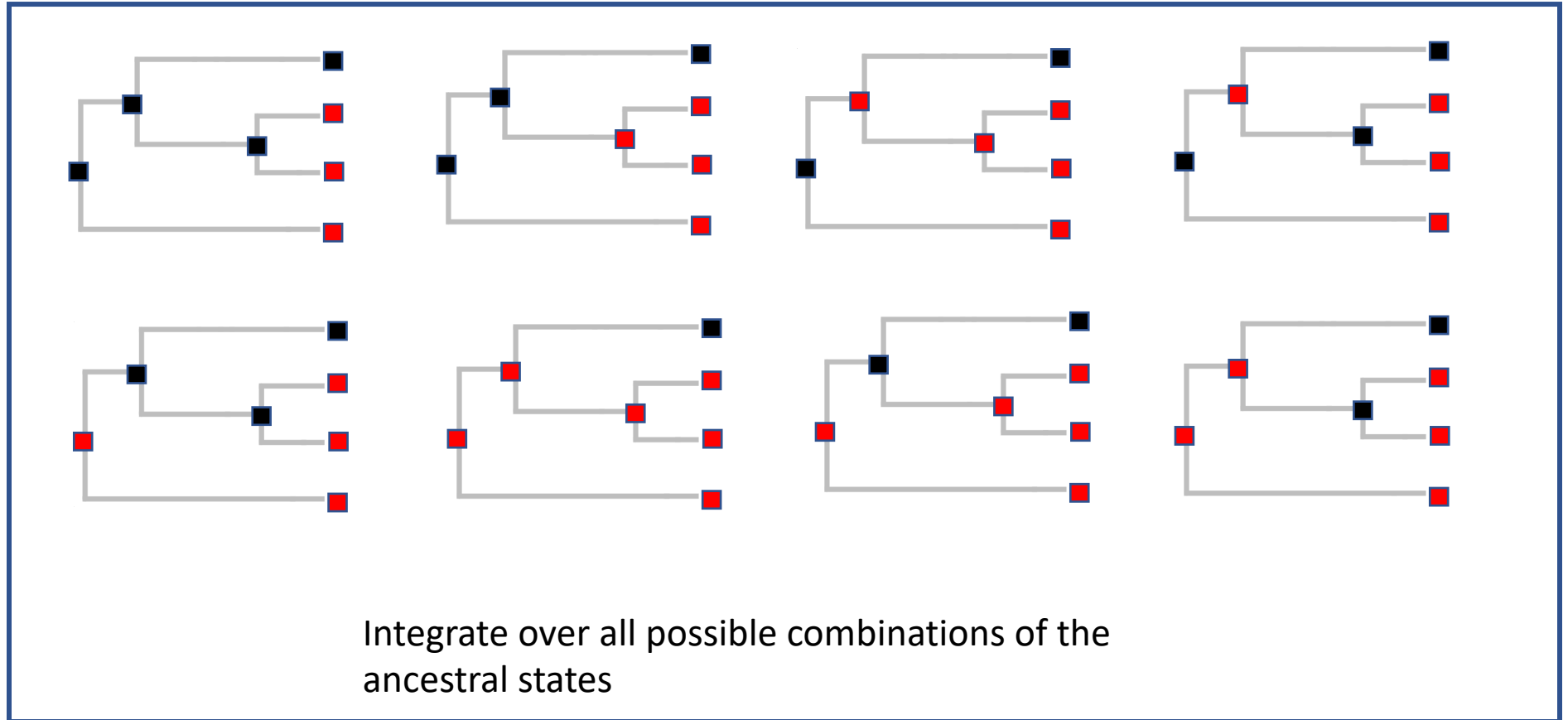
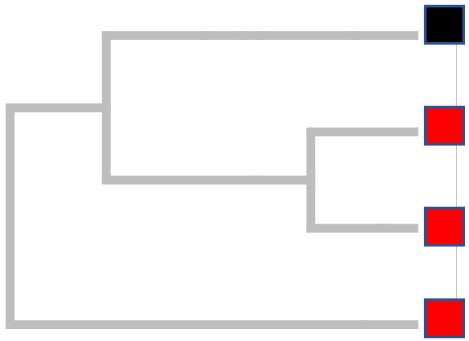
Now let's run likelihood inference



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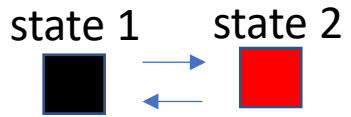
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Inference: estimating tree likelihood




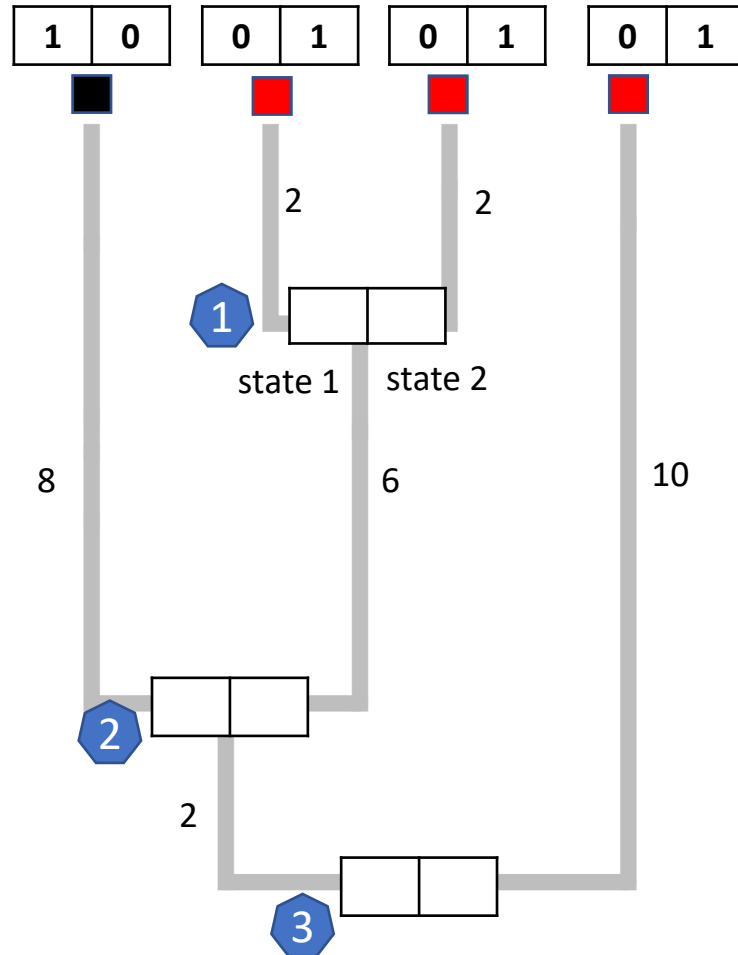
Felsenstein's pruning algorithm

Given values:



$$Q = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 1 \\ 2 & -2 \end{bmatrix}$$


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Summary

- We have derived a discrete state Markov model from the chain consisting of Binomial, Poisson and Exponential distributions.
- Discrete state Markov model is the core of almost all phylogenetic approaches that use different type of data (morphology, DNA, proteins, etc.)