

1. new search strategies

- 2. evaluating results
- 3. summary

Goloboff, P. Sectorial search

- 1. part (a sector) of the tree found by traditional search chosen
- a LOCAL search performed in this part & returned to original tree
- 3. search performed numerous times with different parts
- 4. leads only rarely in finding optimal solution but still MUCH faster than TBR

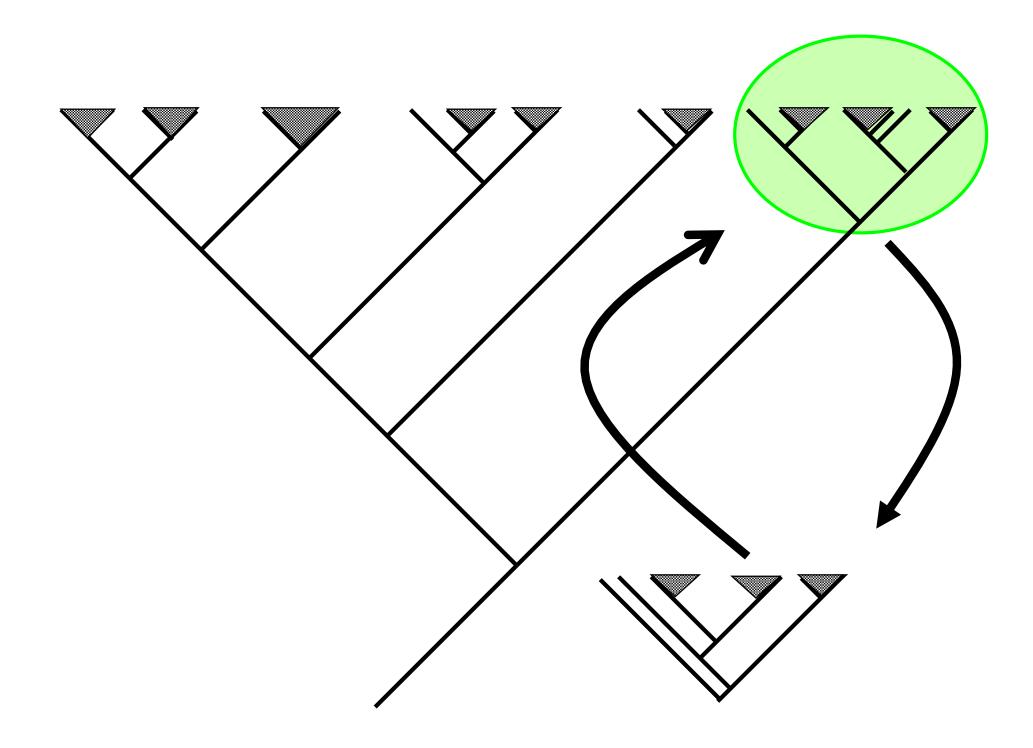
alternatives: RSS (random sectorial searches)

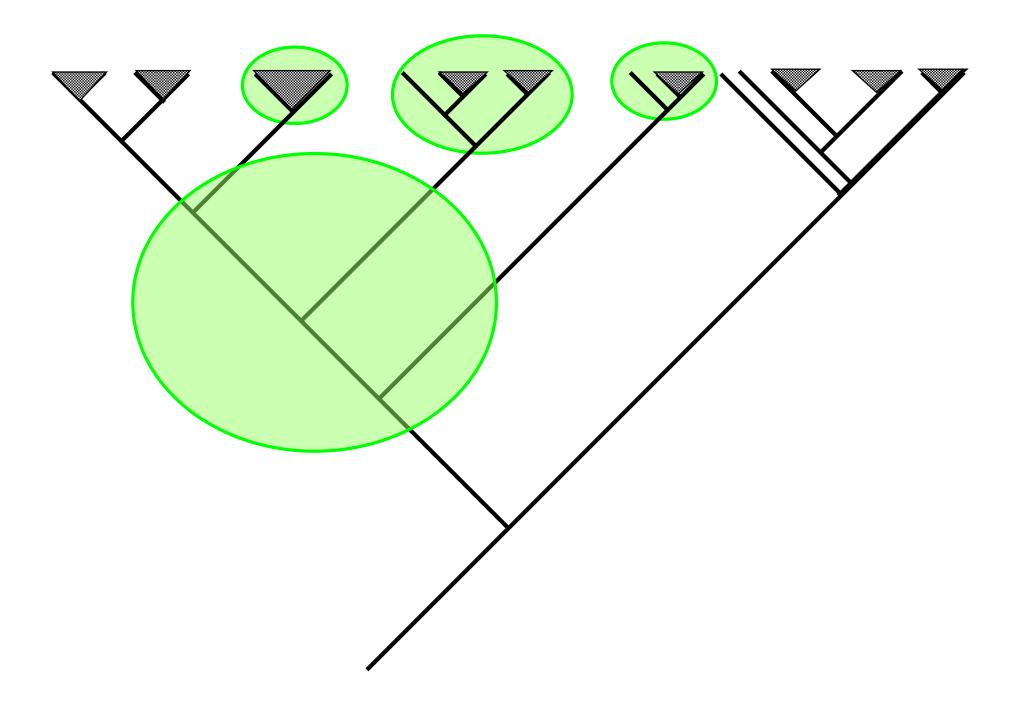
CSS (consensus-based sectorial s.)

MSS (mixed sectorial s.)

processor time increases LINEARLY in relation to number of sectors

EXPONENTIALLY in relation to number of terminals in TBR





Random sectorial search

1. a sector including n terminals chosen randomly

- 2. LOCAL analyses x times (RAS+TBR), only 1 tree saved, if shorter trees found continue to 3., otherwise add repetitions
- 3. shortest solution for this sector returned to whole tree
- 4. analysis of whole material, return to 1. & repeated certain number of times

Consensus based sectorial search (CSS)

1. based on consensus tree a sector with polytomy reveals conflict

- 2. local searches (RAS+TBR) made n times with saving in cache only 1 tree, if shorter trees not found go 3. otherwise add number of searches
- shortest tree & topology of the sector included saved, return to 1., repeat m times
- 4. move parts of the WHOLE tree, return to 1., repeat z times

Mixed sectorial search (MSS)

1. initiated by using RAS+SPR

- 2. consensus of the shortest tree + shortest tree of previous search
- 3. consensus used as constraint for TBR algorithm

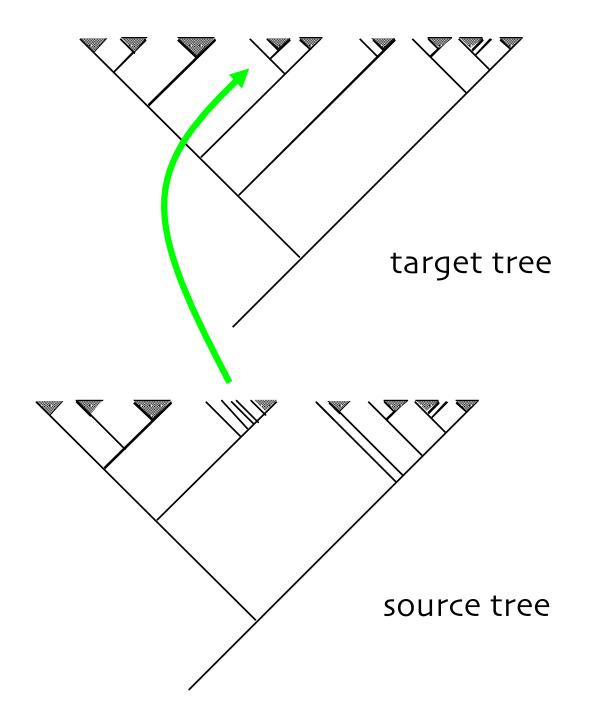
2x faster than unconstrained search

4. continued by using RSS

Goloboff, P. (& Moilanen, A.) Tree fusing

- 1. 2 starting trees chosen
- 2. trees compared one sector at a time
- 3. all sectors that reduce tree length transferred from source to target tree
- 4. a new source tree chosen
- initially trees resulting from numerous searches needed

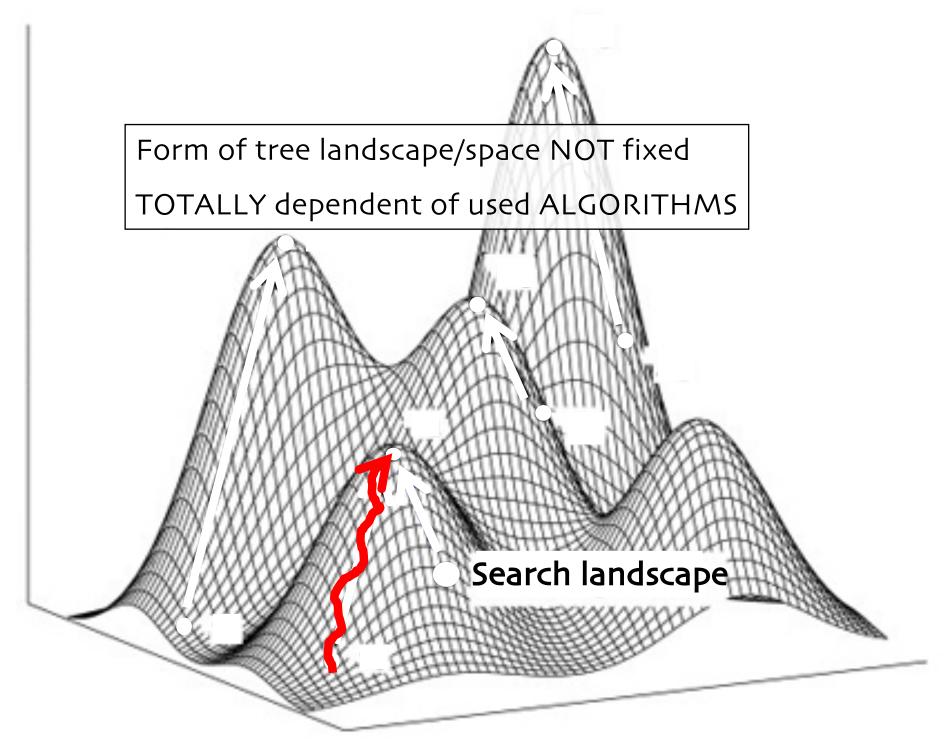
efficiency of the method based on the fact that at least one part of the tree is in optimal configuration



Goloboff, P. Tree drifting

longer than optimal trees accepted with predefined probability

widely known as "simulated annealing" used for analyses of difficult optimization problems



Goloboff, P. A., Farris, J.S. & Nixon, K. TNT

use of novel strategies has led to PRONOUNCED decrease of time required for analyses and for more comprehensive analyses

zilla matrix (500 angiosperm *rbc*L sequences) PAUP-analysis on Sun work stations >11 months, shortest tree 16 220

TNT 200 MHz PC 4 min., shortest tree 16 218!!!



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Phylogeny of the family Cladoniaceae (Lecanoromycetes, Ascomycota) based on sequences of multiple loci

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Abstract

Cladoniaceae is a family of lichenized fungi that belongs to the Lecanorales, Ascomycota. The family is distributed widely, although several genera are restricted to the Southern Hemisphere. The circumscriptions of the genera and species in the family have traditionally been based on thallus morphology, the type of vegetative propagules and the secondary metabolites. However, numerous species are highly variable phenotypically, making their delimitation problematic. In the present study a new phylogeny of Cladoniaceae is constructed using five loci (ITS rDNA, IGS rDNA, *RPB2*, *RPB1*, *EF-1a*) from a worldwide sample of 643 specimens representing 304 species. Cladoniaceae was resolved as a monophyletic group. The circumscription of the genera and the relationships among them are discussed. *Pycnothelia, Carassea* and *Metus* are closely related, forming a sister clade to the larger genus *Cladonia*. *Cladonia*. *Cladonia* was resolved as monophyletic, including species that have been recognized in *Thysanothecium* and *Notocladonia*. *Cladonia*. No synapomorphies were found for most of them. We propose the new genera *Pulchrocladia* and *Rexia*, as segregates of *Cladia*, five new combinations, and the resurrection of the genus *Heterodea*.

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Phylogenetic analysis of 73 060 taxa corroborates major eukaryotic groups

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Abstract

Obtaining a well supported schema of phylogenetic relationships among the major groups of living organisms requires considering as much taxonomic diversity as possible, but the computational cost of calculating large phylogenies has so far been a major obstacle. We show here that the parsimony algorithms implemented in TNT can successfully process the largest phylogenetic data set ever analysed, consisting of molecular sequences and morphology for 73 060 eukaryotic taxa. The trees resulting from molecules alone display a high degree of congruence with the major taxonomic groups, with a small proportion of misplaced species; the combined data set retrieves these groups with even higher congruence. This shows that tree-calculation algorithms effectively

Concluding remarks

solutions to find optimal trees varies according to the data analyzed

e.g. extensive homoplasy vs. randomly sparse matrices

increasingly common with large genetic materials

Wagner algorithm used initially to find starting trees

modified selected/informative addition

Goloboff, P.A. 2014. Hide and vanish: data sets where the most parsimonious tree is known but hard to find, and their implications for tree search methods. *Molecular Phylogenetics & Evolution* 79: 118-131.

PROGRAMS AVAILABLE



http://evolution.genetics.washington.edu/phylip/software.html

PARALLELIZATION of programs

problems divided into smaller parts > distributed to SEVERAL
 CPUs to be solved SIMULTANEOUSLY

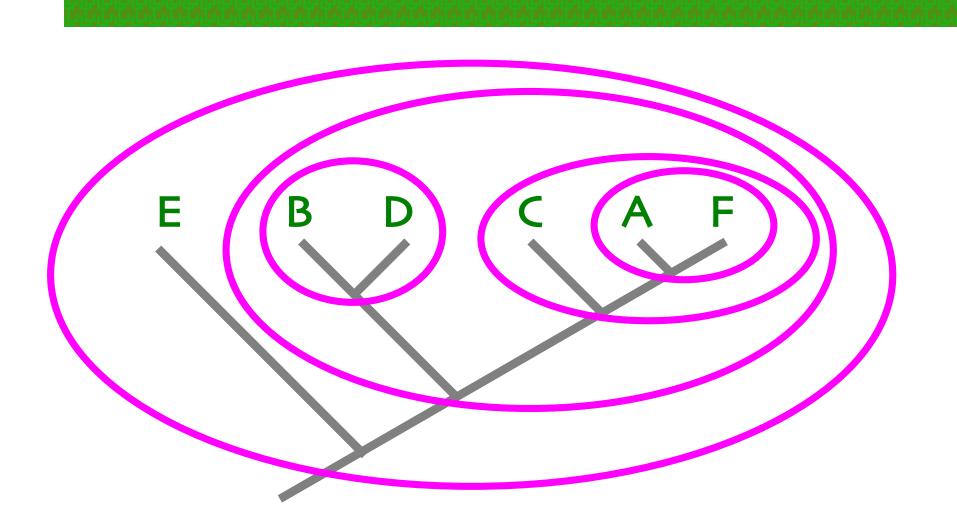
Evaluating results

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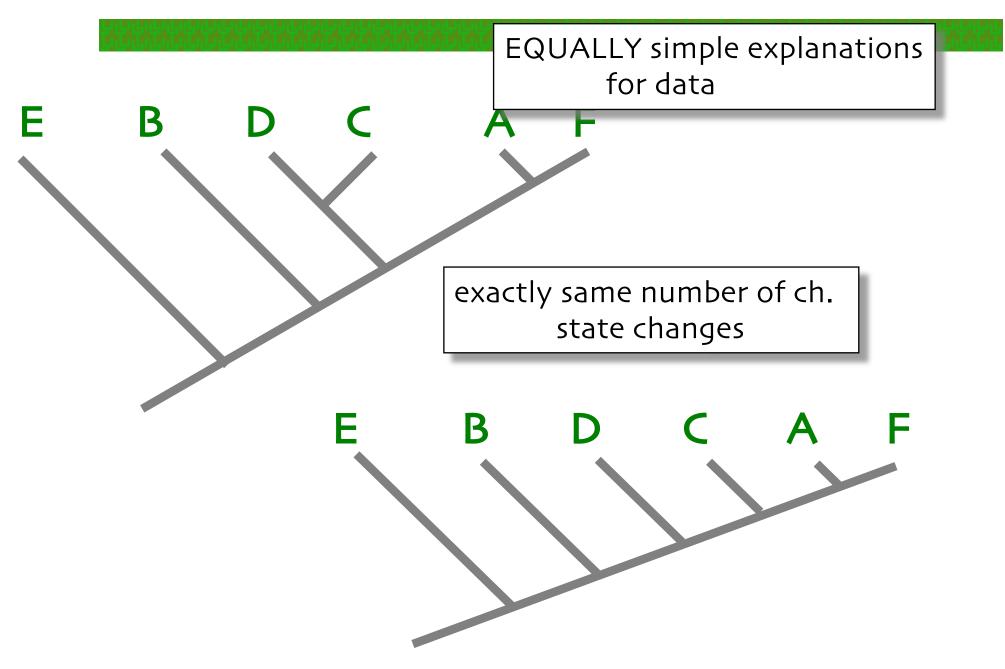
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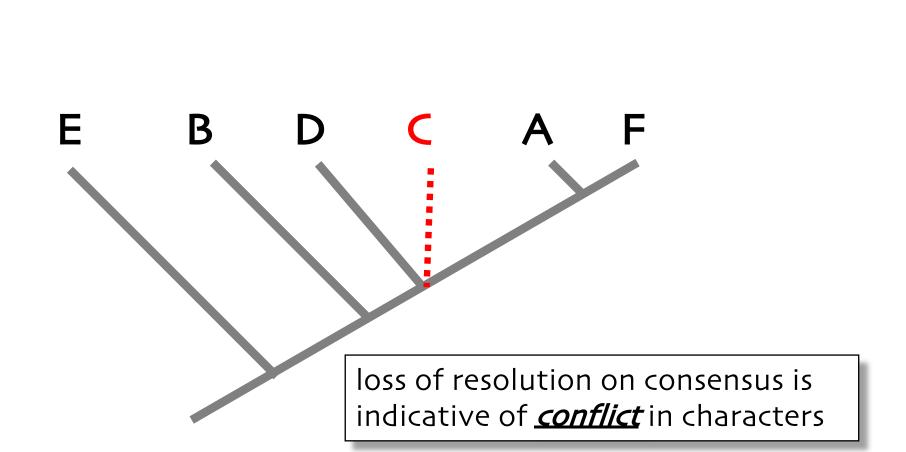
MONOPHYLY, paraphyly, polyphyly



Numerous equally parsimonious trees









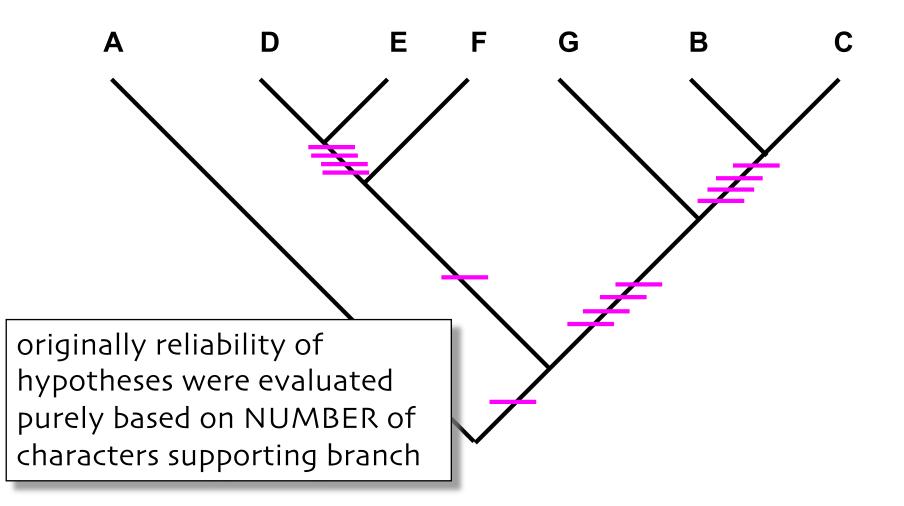
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Bremer support value

branch support

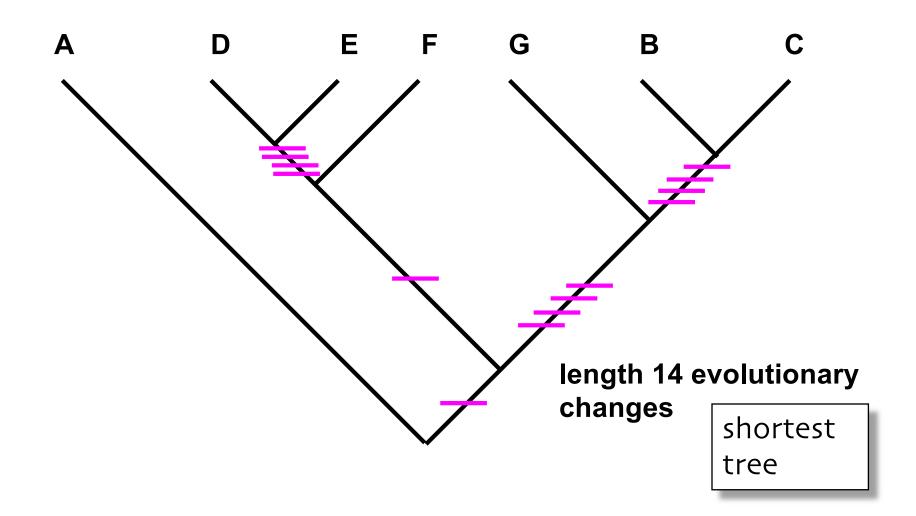
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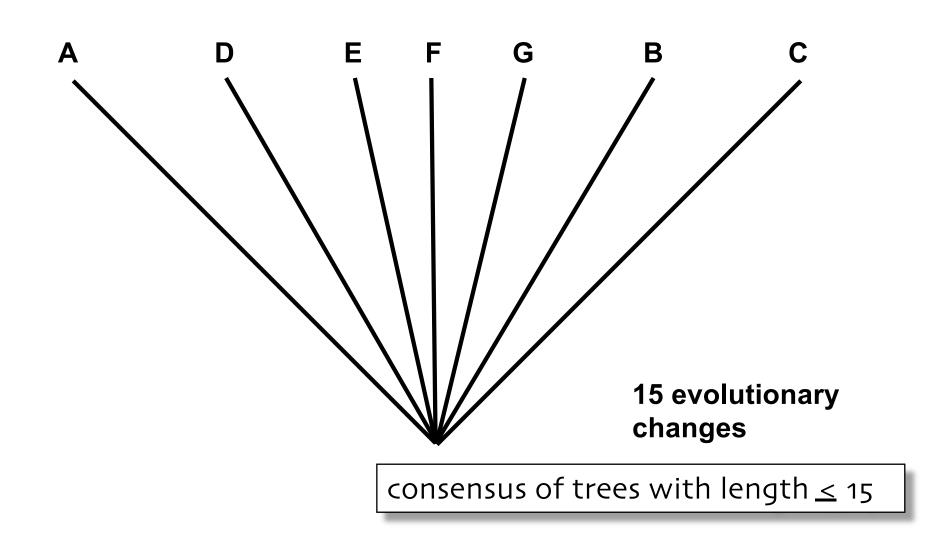
Parsimony jackknifing



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- A B C D E F G





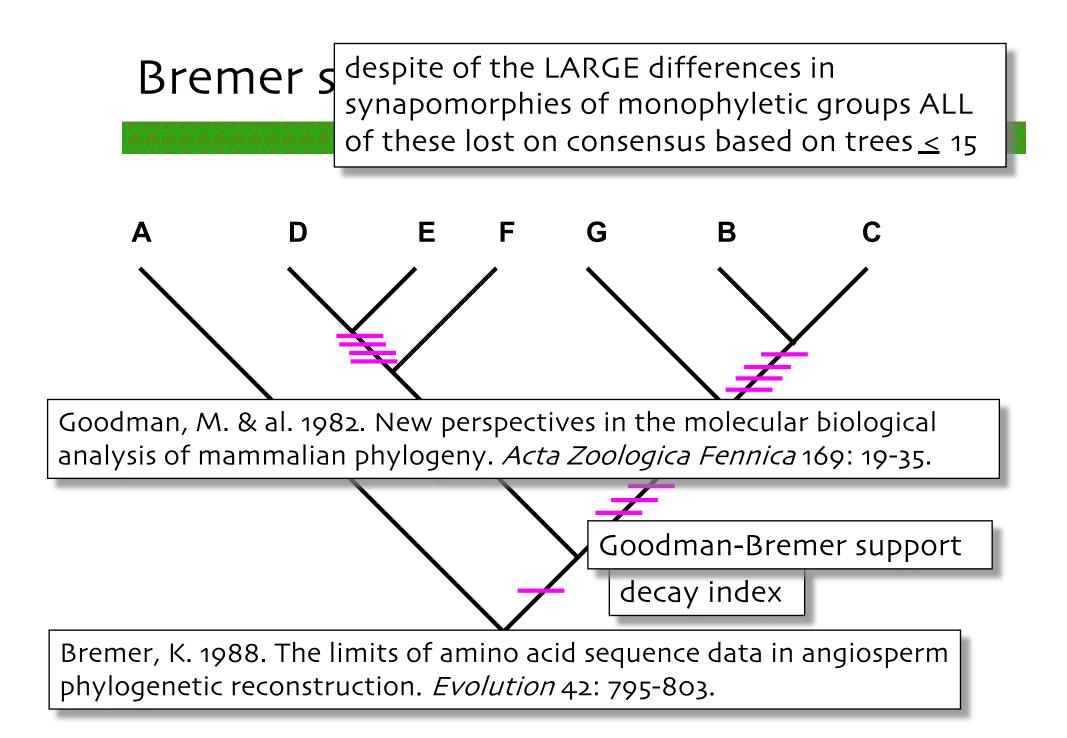
TAXONOMIC CHARACTERS

characters used in phylogenetic analyses are assumed to be **INDEPENDENT** of other characters

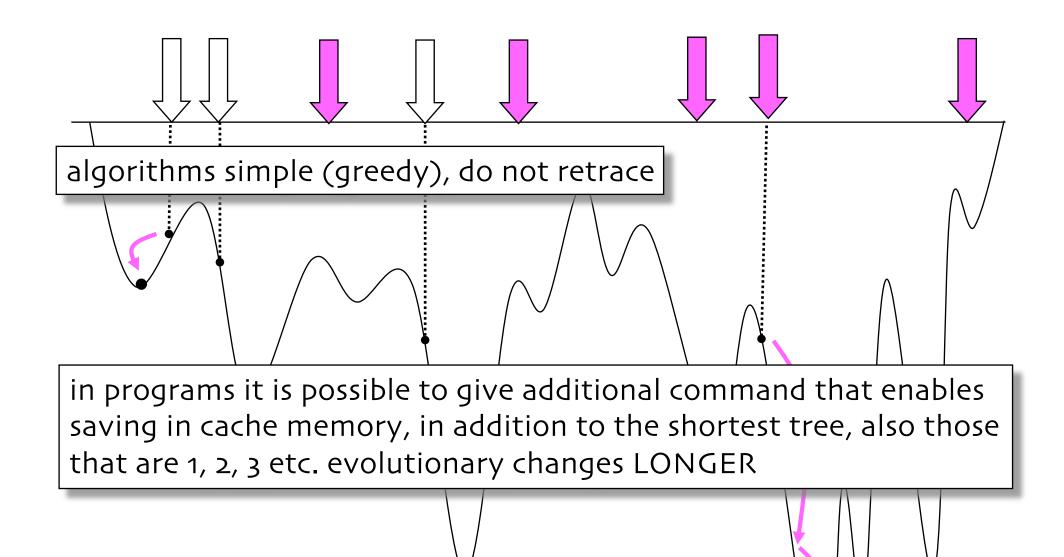
NO genetic correlation

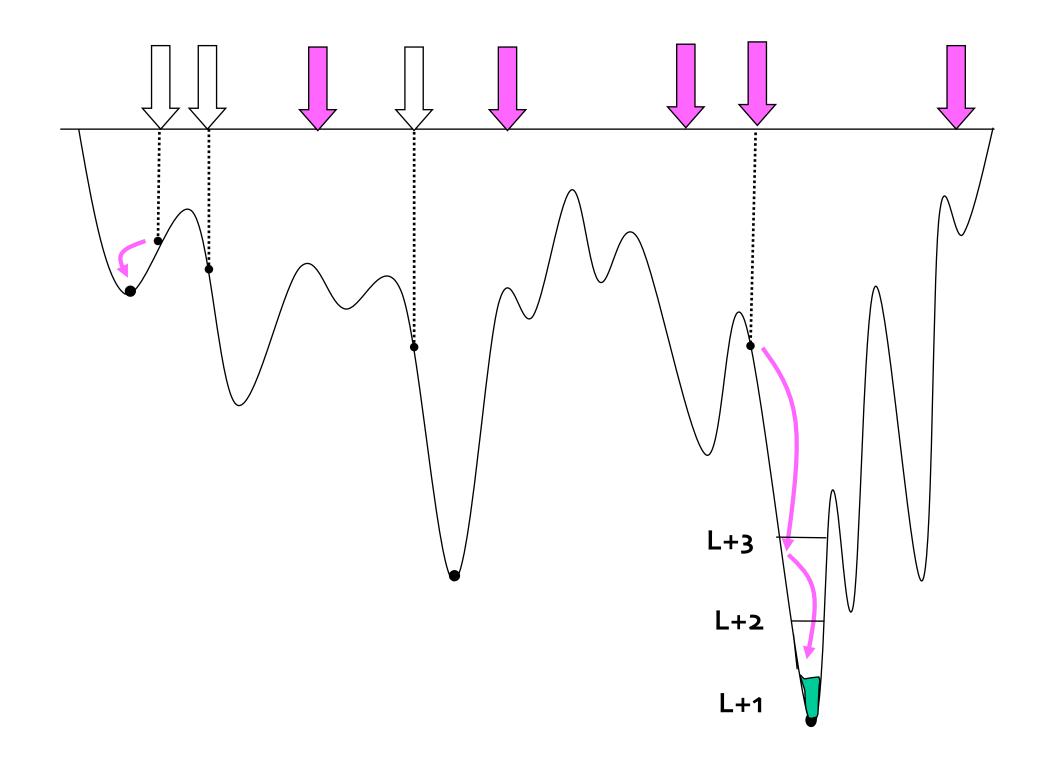
ALL these considered to be equally valuable = potentially useful for phylogenetic analyses

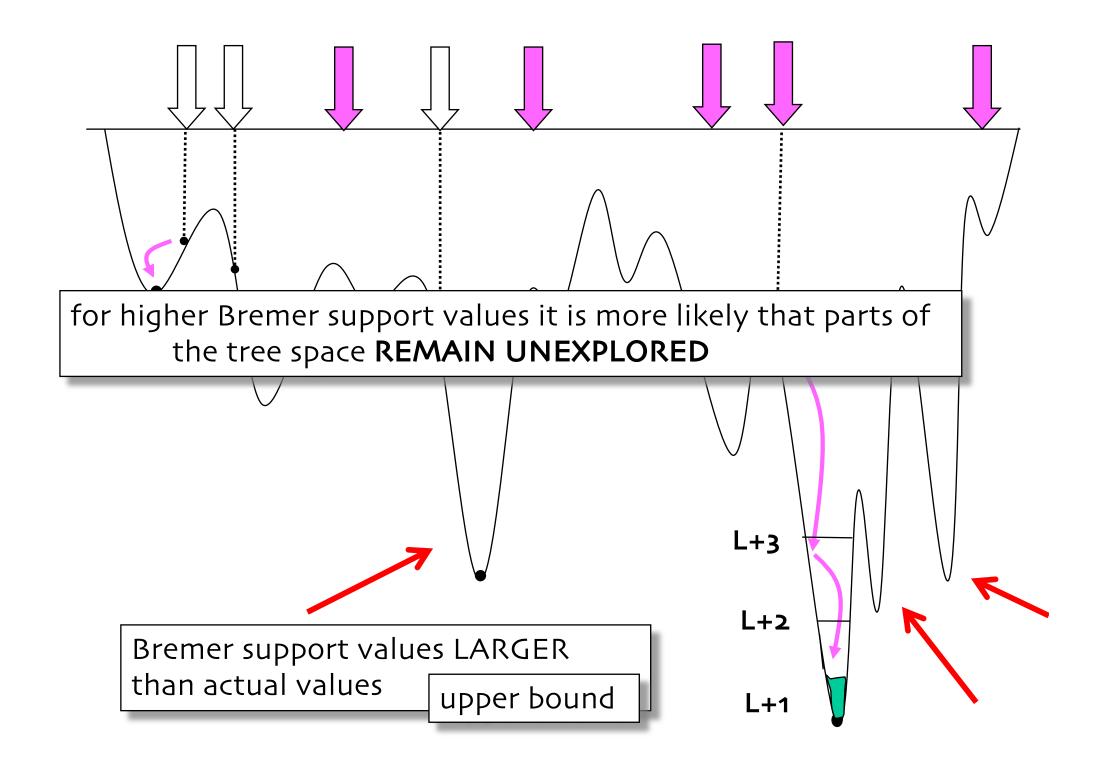
but characters **DO INTERACT** within the matrix



- 1. search for shortest tree
- 2. consensus groups disappearing at this stage with Bremer support value = 0
- 3. new search for trees with length L < L+1 (L = length of shortest tree found so far), consensus of these for these Bremer support value = 1



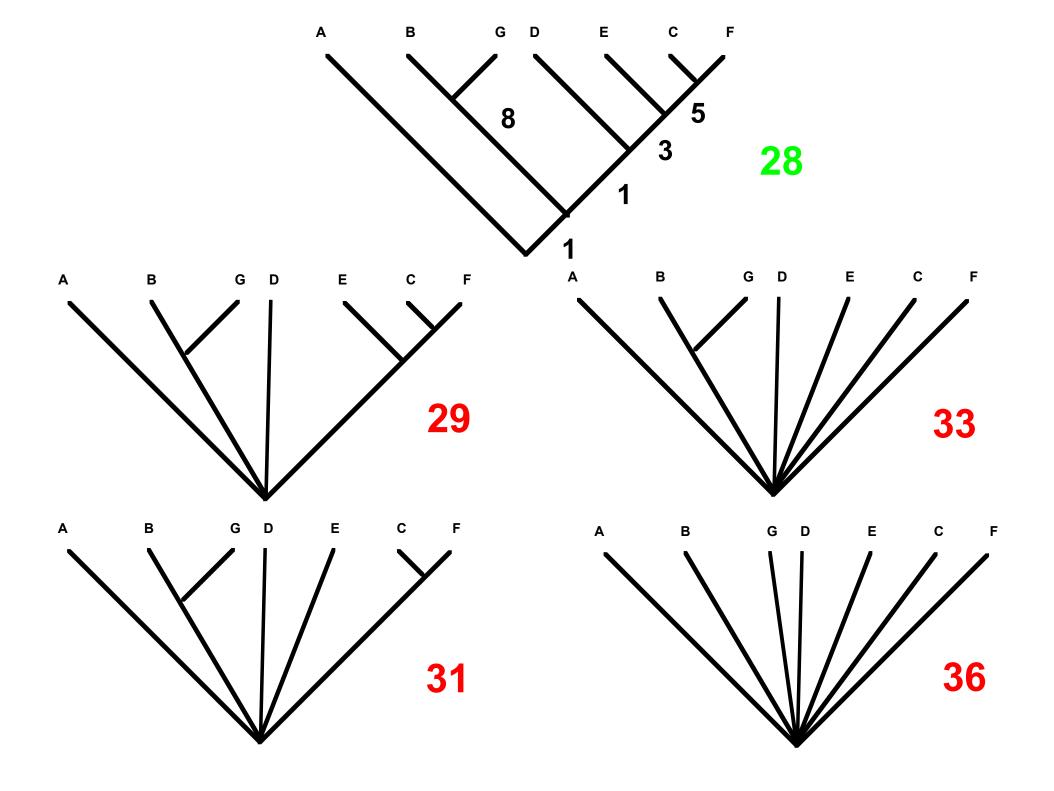


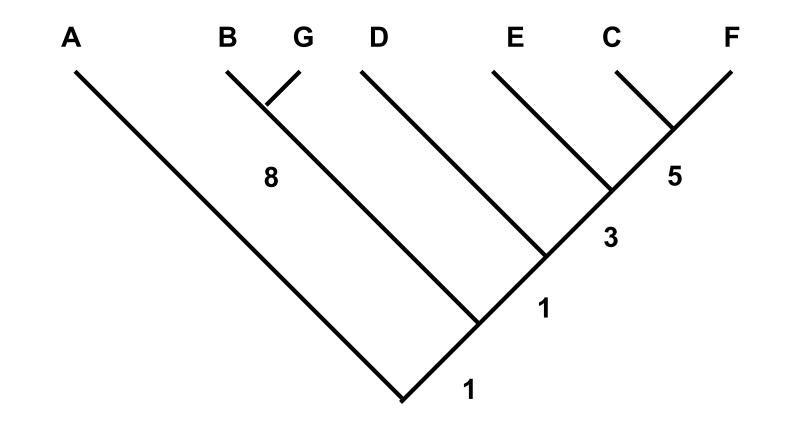


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- groups disappearing at this stage 2. consensus with Bremer support value = o
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for these Bremer support value = 1

4. continued until consensus has lost ALL resolution (only polytomy remains)





18 Bremer support value for whole tree

value

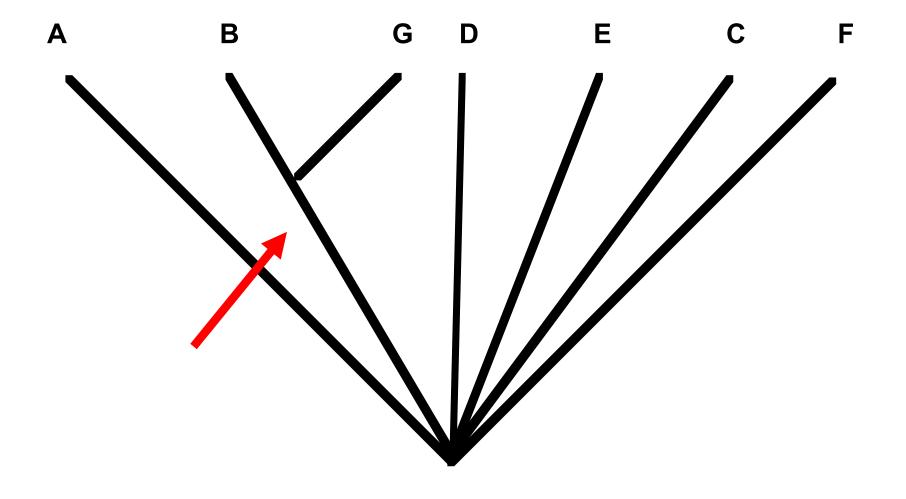
Bremer support value can be calculated also for *individual parts of tree* using constrained search

this is done by searching for shortest tree using as a *constraint* such a tree that includes ONLY the group for which we want to know support

constraint tree is otherwise totally without resolution (unresolved)

search for trees that are in CONFLICT with the constraint tree

support value for the group is the difference between length of the shortest tree obtained without constraint and the one found by using constraint



3 commonly used methods:

Bremer support

Relative Fit Difference (RFD)

Goloboff, P. & Farris, J.S. 2001. Methods for quick consensus estimation. *Cladistics* 17: S26-S34.

Parsimony jackknifing

Relative Fit Difference

$$RFD = \frac{F-C}{F} = synapomorphies of the group inspected$$

$$F = c = synapomorphies of groups in CONFLICT$$
with the group inspected
$$O < RFD < 1$$

ability to distinguish between characters that have the same Bremer support value

e.g. F = 5, C = 0 vs. F = 100, C = 95 same Bremer support value

RFD values 1 & 0,053

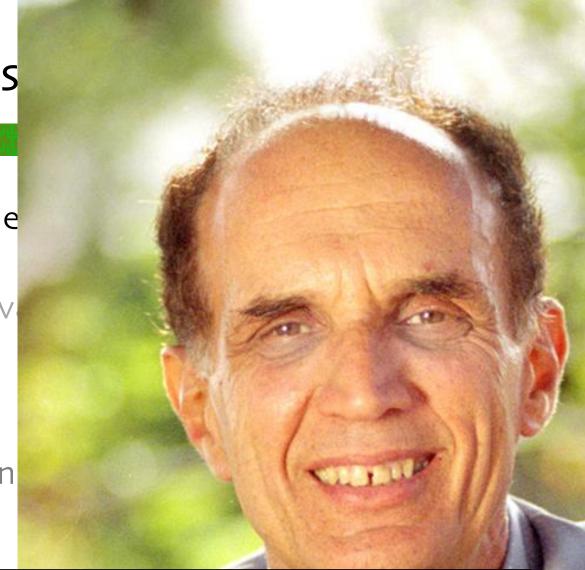
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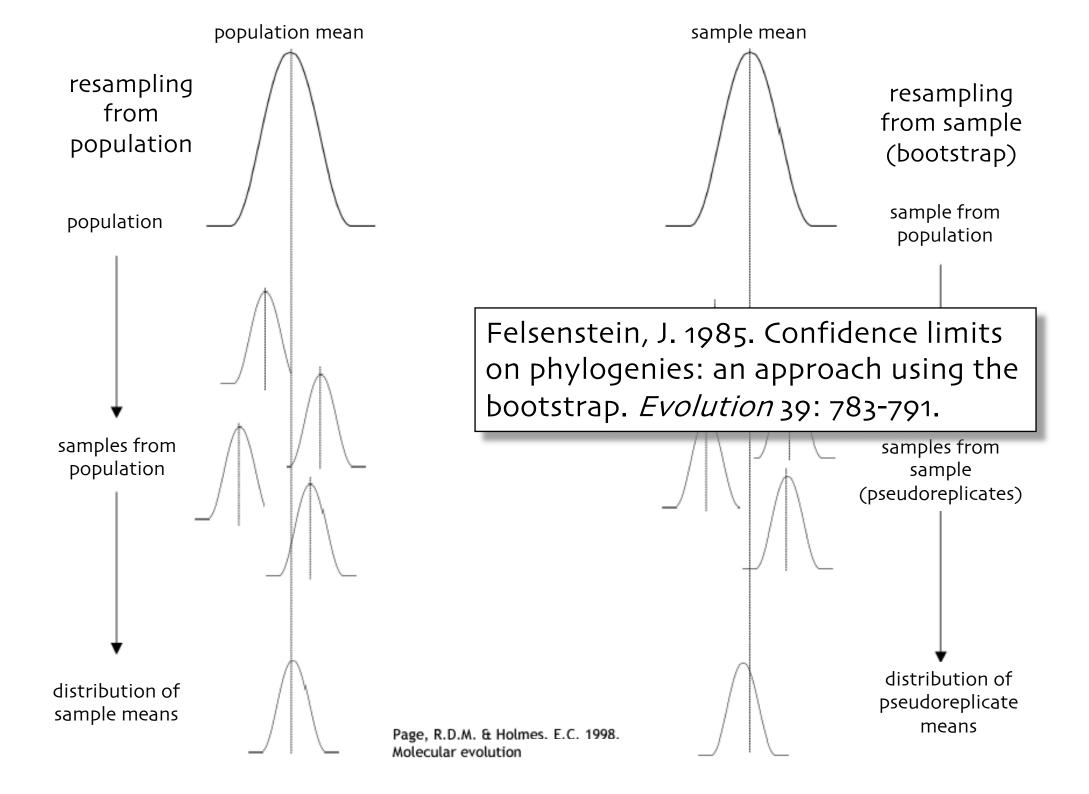
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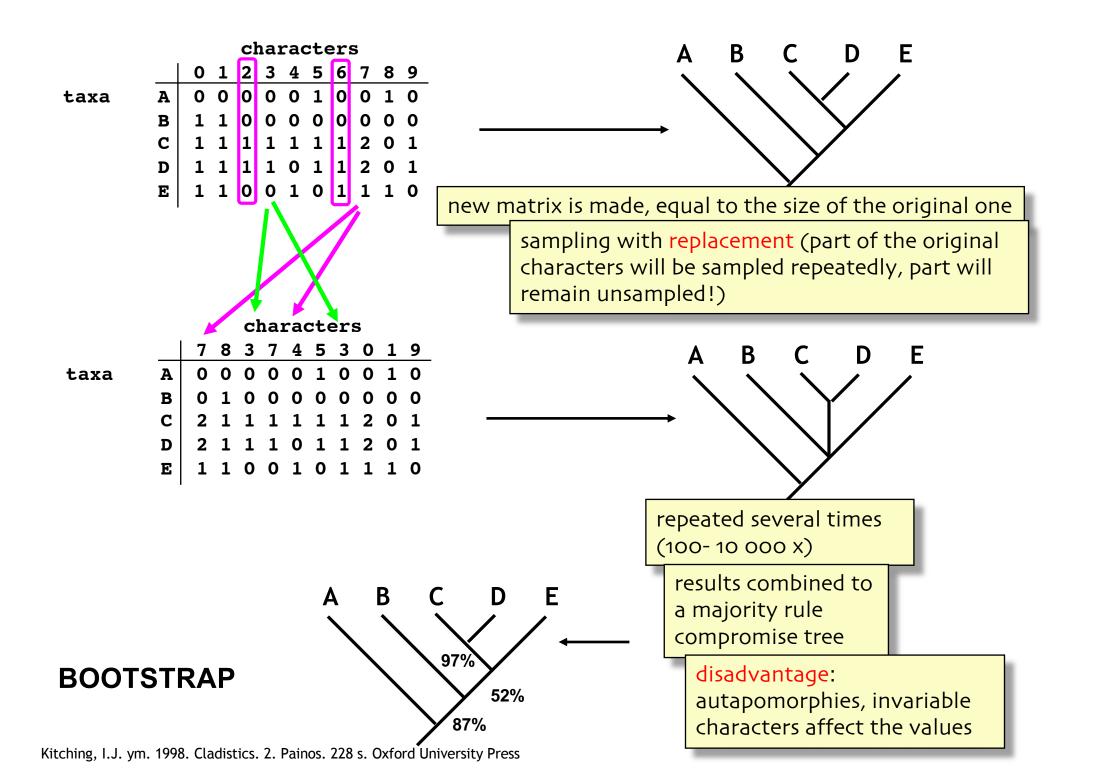
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Efron, B. 1979. Bootstrap methods: another look at the jackknife. *Ann. Stat*. 7: 1-26.







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> Goloboff, P.A. & Simmons, M.P. 2014. Bias in tree searches and its consequences for measuring group supports. *Systematic Biology* 63: 851-861.

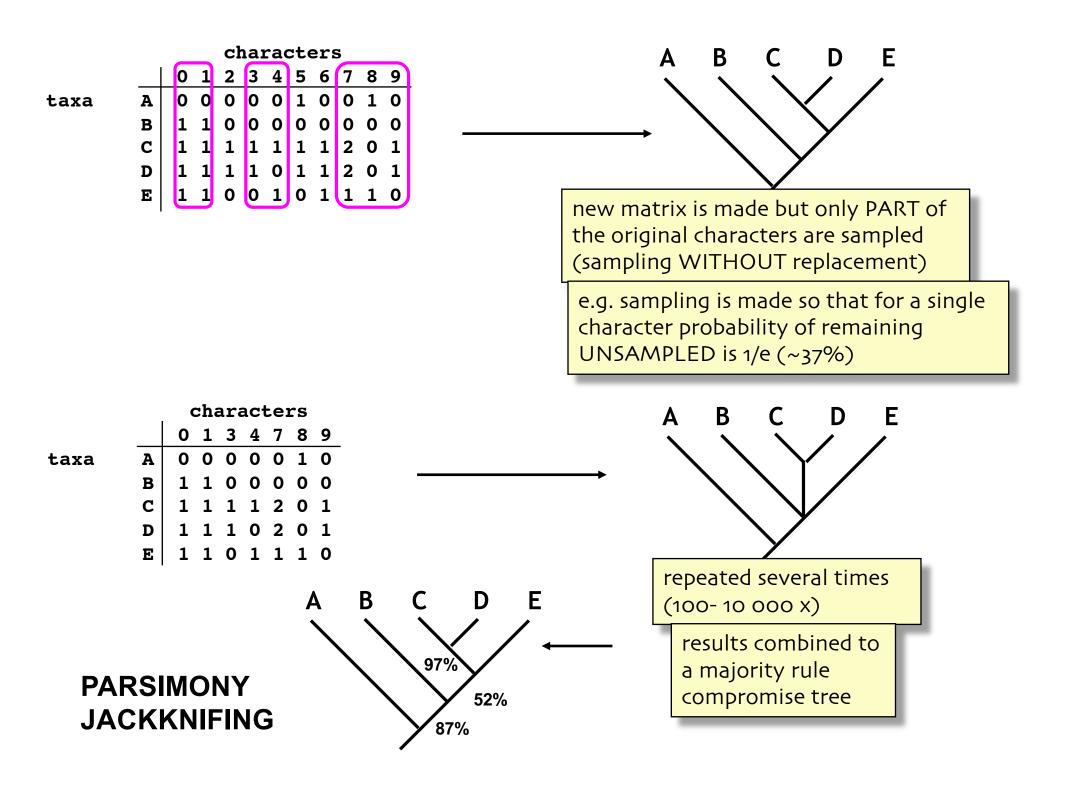
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Quenoille, M.H. 1949. Approximate tests of correlation in time-series. *J. R. Statist. Soc.* B 11: 68-84.

Parsimony jackknifing

Farris, J.S. & al. 1996. Parsimony jackknifing outperforms neighbor-joining. *Cladistics* 12: 99-124.



can we trust the results obtained?

are part of the results simply **accidental**?

which PARTS of tree are most reliable?

several indices have been proposed for finding out whether available data deviates from that

obtained by chance alone e.g. PTP, cladogram length

skewness

implicitly & superficially appealing approaches

unfortunately ONLY able to tell that the data is not accidental, i.e. also data WITHOUT any phylogenetic signal will get significant values

i.e. data with such character incongruence & internal conflict that no phylogenetic data seem to be present

Carpenter, J.M. 1992. Random cladistics. *Cladistics* 8: 147-153.

one goal is to estimate how easily the obtained results, i.e. tree (or its parts) will change if we add new characters

into our matrix

all indices given above are INDIRECT ways to estimate this

we do NOT know this BEFORE a new analysis is made

part of the added new characters are congruent, part in conflict with presented results

different support values give in many cases comparable results, same groups revealed

same indices used for analyses using DIFFERENT optimality criteria

how they behave with these DIFFER

Simmons, M.P. & Goloboff, P.A. 2014. Dubious resolution and support from published sparse supermatrices: the importance of thorough tree searches. *Molecular Phylogenetics & Evolution* 78: 334-348.

GO AND GET MORE DATA

only NEW characters will be able to REALLY evaluate (test) results obtained

Grant, T. & Kluge, A.G. 2003. Data exploration in phylogenetic inference: scientific, heuristic, or neither. *Cladistics* 19: 379-418.

SIMULTANEOUS ANALYSIS

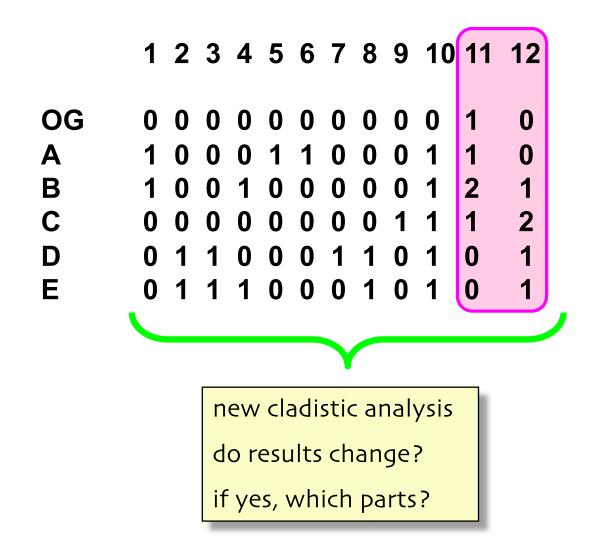
ALL characters of ALL stages of life-cycle should be combined into a same matrix for analysis

by including into our analysis characters simultaneously we "test" them against each other

the more characters we have in our analysis, the more

severe is our "test"

more chances for characters to be in conflict



our goal is to estimate PHYLOGENY, history of lineages

it is IMPOSSIBLE to know whether our estimates are

truthful UNIQUE nature of history, testing results obtained NOT possible

nomothetic vs idiographic sciences

generalities & laws vs contingent & unique

history littered with unlikely events

applicable also to phylogeny

if something is highly unlikely it does NOT mean that it is IMPOSSIBLE



use of best programs & efficient algorithms necessary for analyses of LARGE matrices

PARALLELIZATION have enabled analyses of larger

and larger materials

to be continued...

three commonly used indices to evaluate results

numeric values obtained are dependent on thoroughness of search used in finding them

while ALL of these are commonly used their status and importance is still in dispute

NO logical connection to results obtained based on analyses of REAL & ALL data

at least they ARE ABLE to show parts of the tree with the **WEAKEST** hypotheses, parts of trees easiest to refute? candidates for more detailed study!