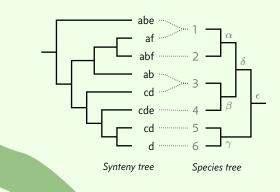
INFERRING SCENARIOS FOR GENE SYNTENY-SPECIES COEVOLUTION THROUGH SEGMENTAL DUPLICATIONS, TRANSFERS, CUTS, GAINS AND LOSSES

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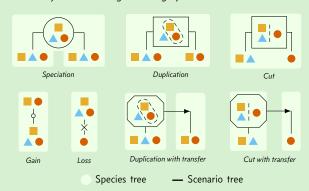
EVOLUTION OF GENE SYNTENIES

- Syntenies: groups of genes evolving together through segmental events (e.g., Cas systems, operons, ...)
- Also coevolving with their host species, similarly to individual gene families



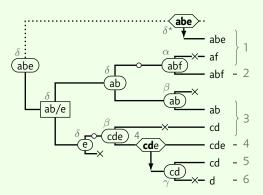
EVOLUTION MODEL

- · Syntenies are sets of genes (disregarding gene orders)
- Divergence events create new synteny copies
- · Unary events change existing syntenies



SCENARIOS AND MISSING SPECIES

- Scenario: tree of events whose *leaves* and *topology* match those of the studied synteny tree
- Events happen along the specified species tree
- Unsampled or extinct species can be postulated



One of the optimal scenarios for the trees above (losses cost 1, duplications/cuts cost 2, transfers cost 3)

(SUPER-) RECONCILIATIONS

• The gene–species evolutionary relationship creates inconsistencies between both phylogenies

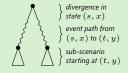
segmental duplication

- Both can be reconciled by postulating past events (duplications, lateral transfers, ...)
- These events form candidate coevolution scenarios
- Super-reconciliation extends this model to segmental events that describe synteny evolution

Given costs for each event type, can we find the most parsimonious (least costly) scenarios for a given tree pair?

BUILDING SCENARIOS WITH EVENT PATHS

- Joining sub-scenarios with event paths gives new scenarios
- Event paths start at a given state and have a single *visible* leaf: the target state



• The set of possible optimal event paths leading from (s,x) to (t,y) is of constant size

DYNAMIC PROGRAMMING FORMULATION

- c(v, s, x): least cost of scenarios for the synteny tree below v where v's host is s and contents are x
- Only two contents need to be tried: the minimum valid set and any bigger set
- Compute c(v,s,x) recursively by evaluating the cost of each possible divergence event

ONGOING AND FUTURE WORK

- Preliminary implementation available at github.com/UdeM-LBIT/superrec2
- · Ongoing evaluation on simulated and real data

Open questions:

- · Build synteny trees from individual gene trees
- Integrate fusion events (reconciliation of networks)
- · Minimize number of postulated unsampled species