20.109 Laboratory Fundamentals in Biological Engineering

Module 1
Nucleic Acid Engineering
Lecture 6

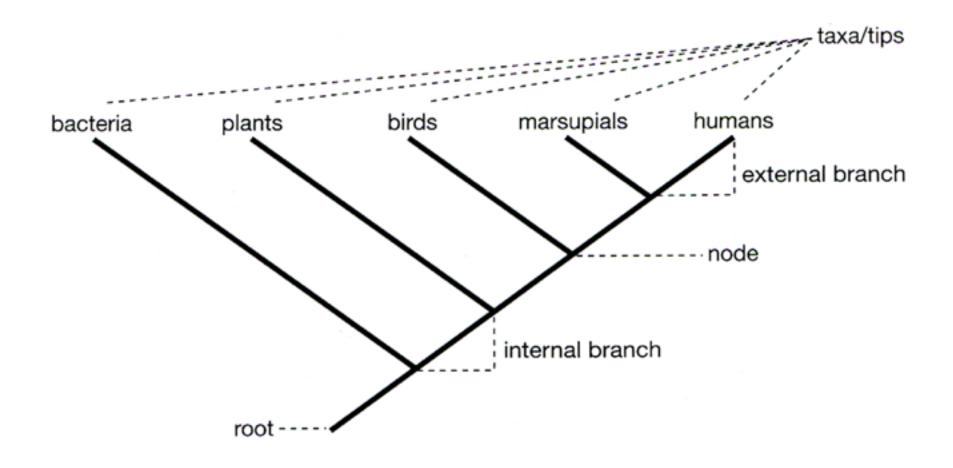
Today

Finish Phylogenetics 1.0

The other side of sequencing

Comparing microbial communities

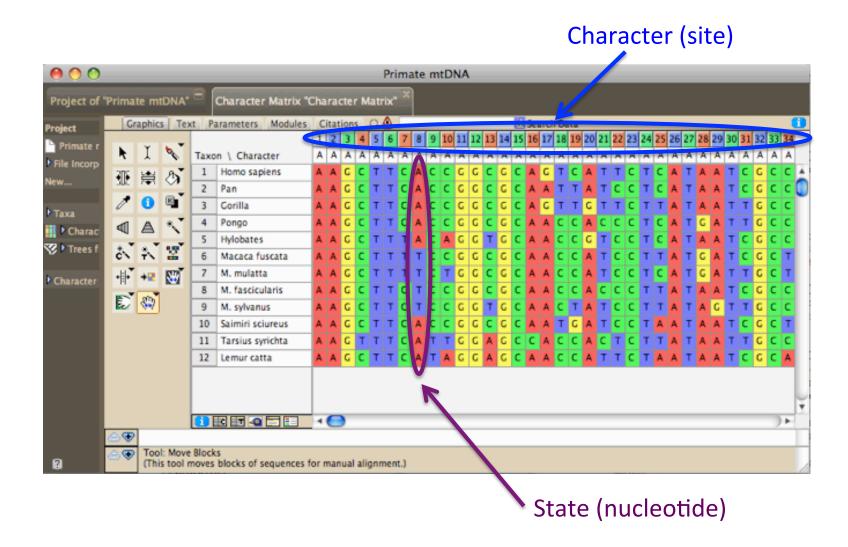
Some important terms used to describe phylogenetic trees

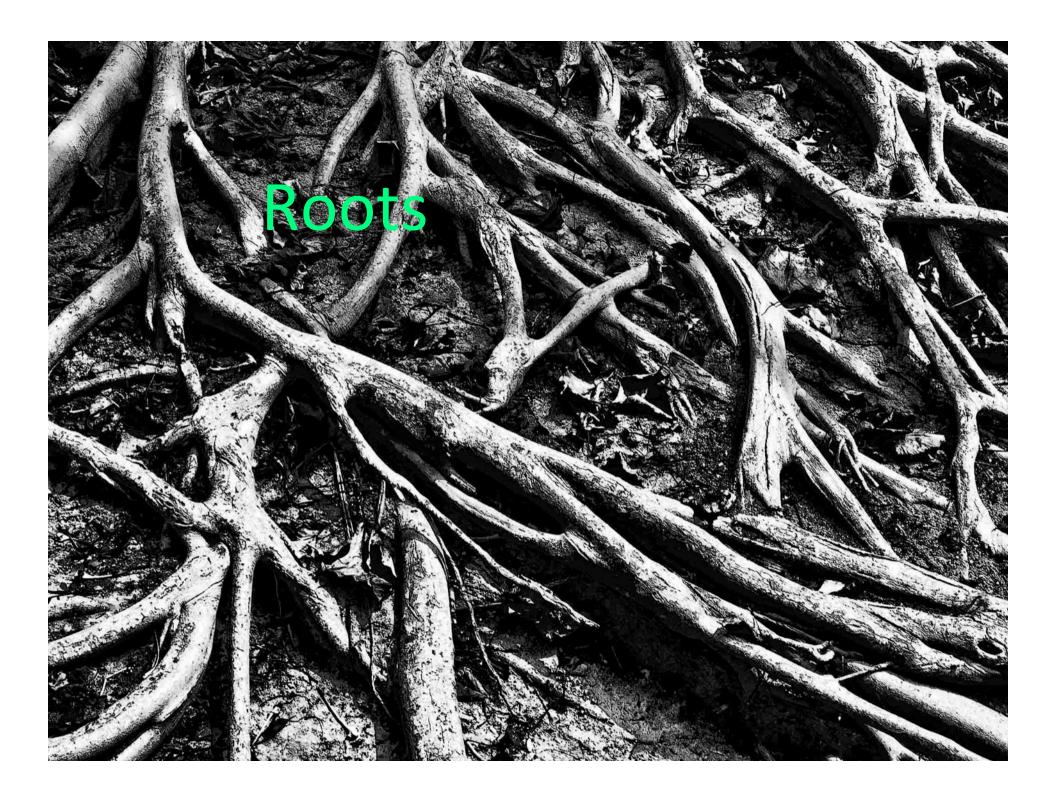


Characters vs States

- Character is an attribute that can potentially vary at the tips (ie. hair color)
- State are alternative versions of the same character (ie. black, brown, blonde)

Example: DNA sequence





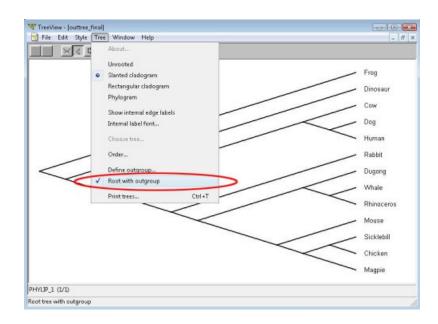
Rooting trees

- Trees can be rooted or unrooted
- Rooted trees indicate flow of time i.e. time-calibrated tree

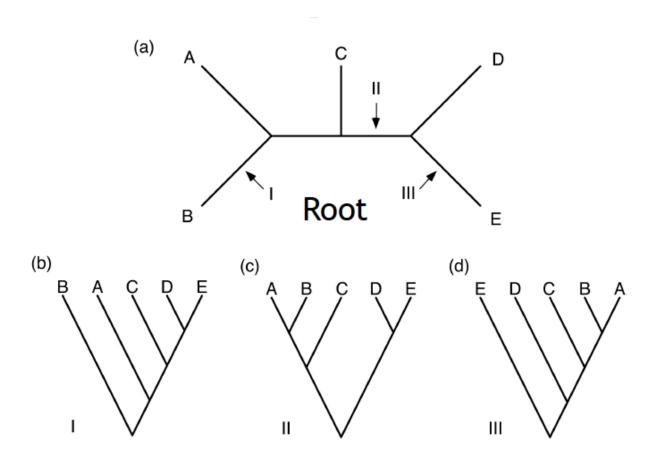
An outgroup is often used to root (ie. taxa known to be

distantly related to ingroup)

 One node between outgroup and ingroup is identified as the root



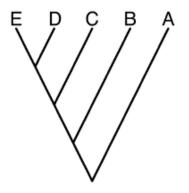
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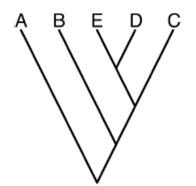


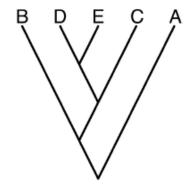
Flipping branches

Which are Different?









Tree building

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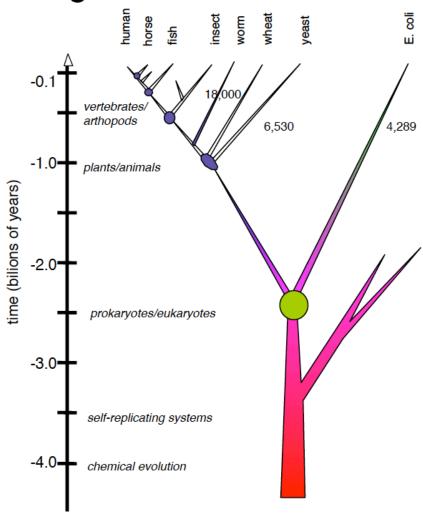
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Homologues share a common ancestor



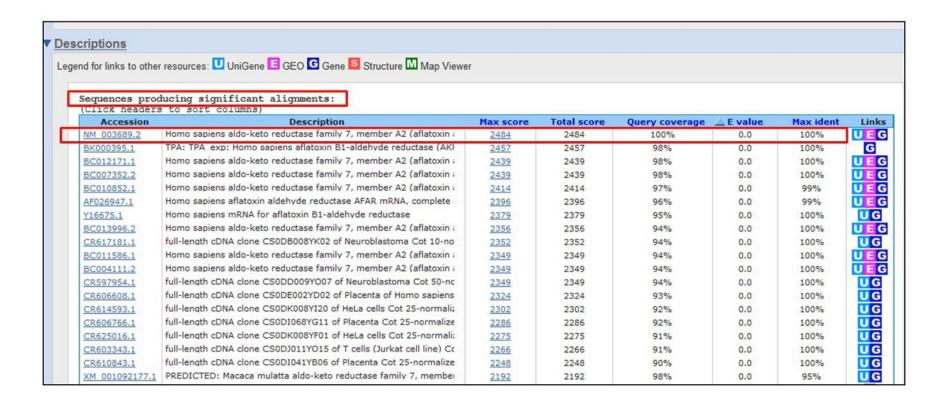
Retrieve homologous sequences

- Common tool: BLAST (Basic Local Alignment Search Tool) used to find homologs
- BLAST finds homologs by locating short matches between sequences (aa=3, nt=11)
- Pros: quick and easy, relatively accurate
- Question: what bacterial species share common ancestry with my isolate of interest?

How to score homologues

- Use E-values, not percent identify to infer homology
- E-value reflects number of hits one can expect to see by chance
- The lower the E-value the more significant the match (ie. the better!)
- E- value <0.001 is significant for most searches

E-values



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Evolution of DNA sequences

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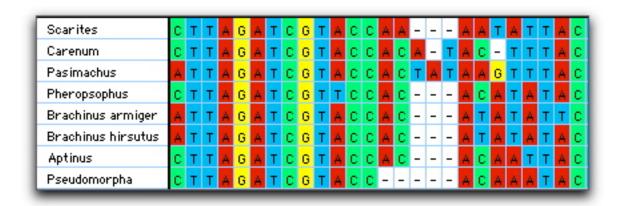
 Evolution of visible (phenotypic) characters is the result of changes at the molecular level

- types of mutations:
 - indel (frameshift)
 - Insertions/deletions
 - frameshift
 - substitutions

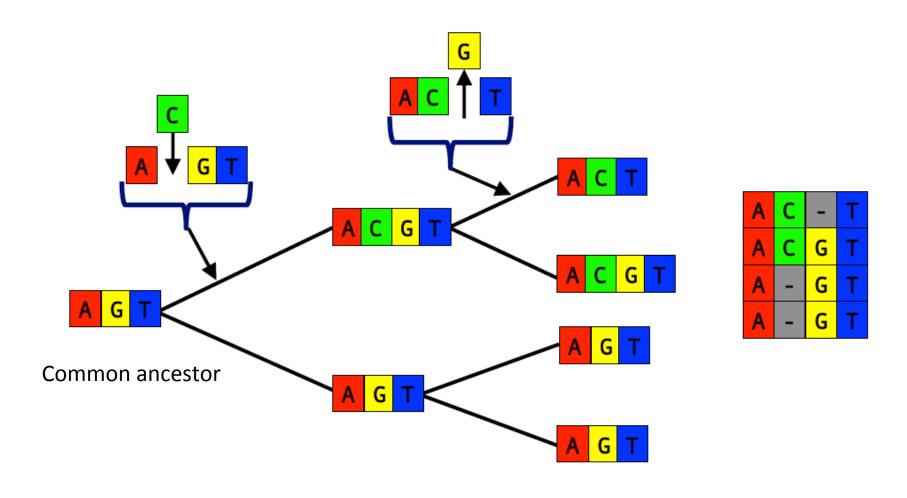


Multiple sequence alignment

- Insertions & deletions ('indels') obscure sites that are homologous (= traits descended from common ancestor)
- Goal of MSA is to introduce gaps so that nucleotides in same column are homologous



MSA in action



4 x descendent taxa

S0 ATGTCGCCTGATAATGCC
S1 ATGCCGCTTGACAATGCC
S2 ATGCCGCGTGATAATGCC
S3...

How many rooted and unrooted possibilities are there?

Number of OTUs	# rooted trees	# unrooted trees
2	1	1
3	3	1
4	15	3
5	105	15
6	954	105
7	10,395	954
8	135,135	10,395
9	2,027,025	135,135
10	34,459,425	2,027,025

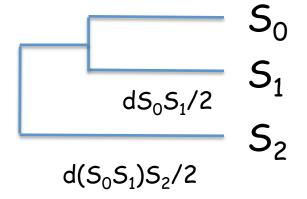
Distance - UPGMA

OTU	50	51	52
51	dS_0S_1		
52	dS_0S_2	dS_1S_2	
53	dS_0S_3	dS_1S_3	dS_2S_3

$$S_0$$
 $dS_0S_1/2$

Distance - UPGMA

OTU	(5051)	52
52	$D(S_0S_1)S_2$	
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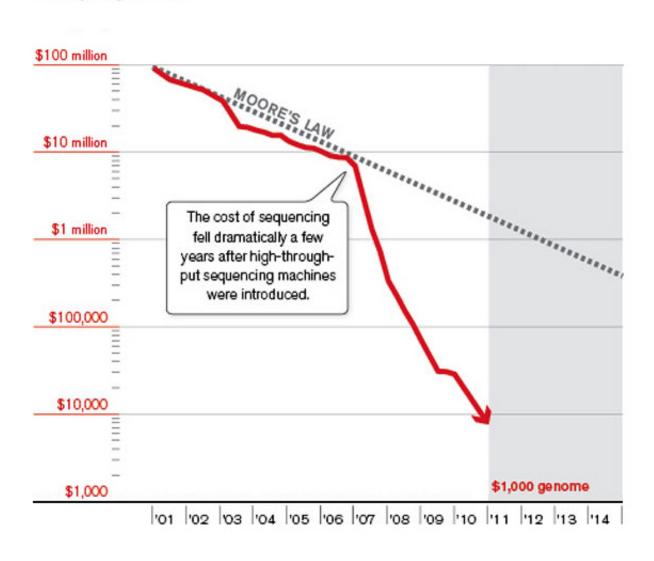
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Bases to Bytes (Technology Review April 2012)

Cheap sequencing technology is flooding the world with genomic data. Can we handle the deluge?

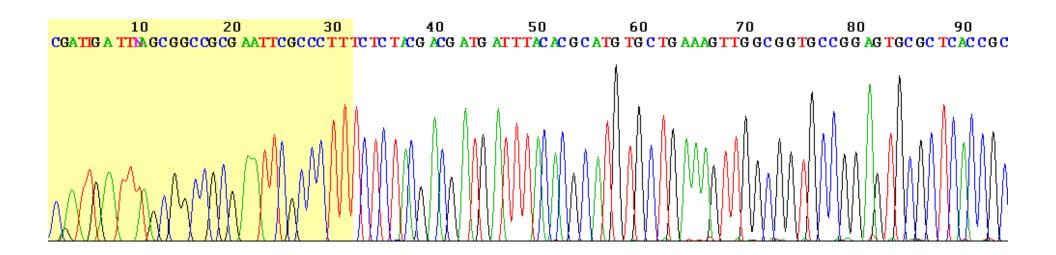
Sequencing Costs Plummeting

Cost per genome

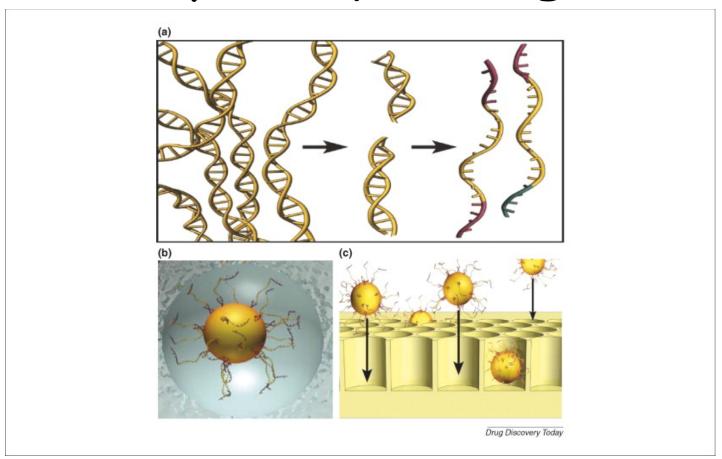


Sanger sequencing

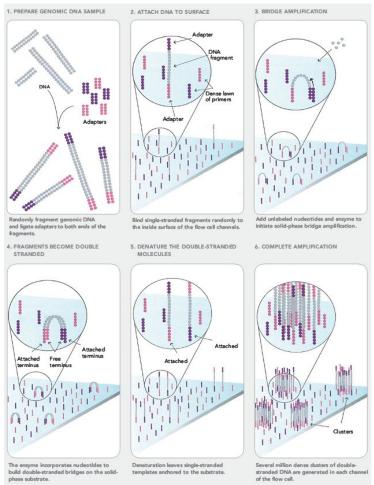
http://www.wellcome.ac.uk/Education-resources/Education-and-learning/Resources/Animation/WTDV026689.htm



Pyrosequencing



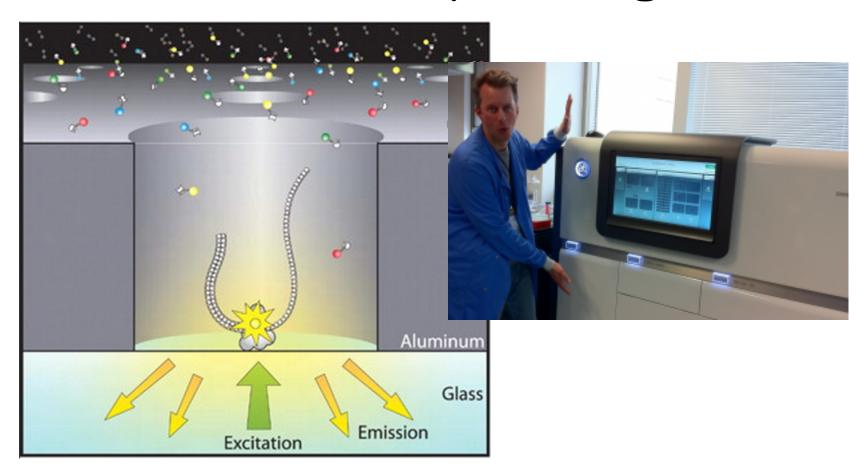
Illumina sequencing





http://www.dnatube.com/video/27892/What-is-Illumina-Solexa-sequencing-

PacBio sequencing



http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=NHCJ8PtYCFc

Nanopore Technology



https://www.nanoporetech.com/news/movies#movie-28-minion

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Sanger sequencing vs NextGen (3rd gen?)

- Read length
- Cost
- Error
- Sampling depth
- Bioinformatics

Comparing sequencing platforms in microbiome analysis

<u>Platform</u>	<u>Method</u>	<u>Reads</u>	<u>16S</u>	<u>Metagenome</u>	<u>Notes</u>
Sanger	Dideoxy terminator	750 bp	2-3 reads to cover	Good for database comparisons	Accurate, costly, slow
Pyroseq.	Light emission	400 bp			Good for 16S but not meta
Illumina	Flourescent step-by-step	100-150		More coverage makes up for short reads	High coverage, low cost
3 rd generation	Electronic signal	10-100 kb		Great for assembly	Unknown error, usability

How do you compare the composition of two microbial communities?

Diversity

- $-\alpha$ diversity: taxa within a sample
- B diversity: between sample comparisons

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