Phylogenetic analysis

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Phylogenetic analysis: applications

Taxonomic studies

Study of multigenic families

Basis for other types of analysis:

- Selection analysis
- Ancestral sequence reconstruction
- Divergence time analysis
- Functional divergence analysis
- Host-pathogen co-evolution

Phylogenetic analysis: principles

Sequence(s) of interest



Homology search software

Dataset of related sequences

Multiple-sequence alignment software

Aligned sequences

Phylogenetic software

Phylogenetic tree

Phylogenetic analysis: methods

Distance

MEGA: Molecular Evolutionary Genetics Analysis

(Tamura et al. Molecular Biology and Evolution 2011)

Maximum parsimony

PAUP: Phylogenetic Analysis Using Parsimony (Swofford, D. L. 2001)

Maximum likelihood

RAxML: Randomized Axelerated Maximum Likelihood (Stamatakis, A. Bioinformatics 2006)

<u>Bayesian</u> MrBayes (Ronquist et al, Systematic Biology 2012)

Distance methods: MEGA



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Distance methods: Neighbor-Joining (NJ)

Multiple sequence alignment

Model of substitution

Matrix of pairwise distances

Neighbor Joining (Saitou and Nei, MBE 1987)

Phylogenetic tree

Distance methods: example of DNA models

p-distance

This distance is the proportion (p) of nucleotide sites at which two sequences being compared are different. It is obtained by dividing the number of nucleotide differences by the total number of nucleotides compared. It does not make any correction for multiple substitutions at the same site or substitution rate biases (for example, differences in the transitional and transversional rates).

Tamura-Nei distance

The Tamura-Nei model (1993) corrects for multiple hits, taking into account the differences in substitution rate between nucleotides and the inequality of nucleotide frequencies. It distinguishes between transitional substitution rates between purines and transversional substitution rates between pyrimidines.

Distance methods: example of amino acid models

p-distance (Amino acids)

This distance is the proportion (p) of amino acid sites at which the two sequences to be compared are different. It is obtained by dividing the number of amino acid differences by the total number of sites compared. It does not make any correction for multiple substitutions at the same site.

Poisson Correction (PC) distance

The Poisson correction distance assumes equal amino acid frequencies while correcting for multiple substitutions at the same site.

Distance methods: the NJ reconstruction



Method: - fast

very useful for 'screening' datasets (recombination analysis)
(- performs well with distantly related sequences)

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Maximum parsimony

Multiple sequence alignment

Investigate substitution pattern at each column of the alignment

Find the most parsimonious tree (i.e. tree requiring the least number of steps)

Maximum parsimony



Maximum parsimony Exact searches are often too slow Have to use heuristic approaches (i.e. Tree bisection and reconnection (TBR) branch swapping)

Method: - simple

- relatively fast with heuristic approaches

(- performs well with closely related sequences)

Maximum likelihood approach

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Phylogenetics

RAxML-VI-HPC: maximum likelihood-based phylogenetic analyses with thousands of taxa and mixed models

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RAxML: Randomized Axelerated Maximum Likelihood (Stamatakis, A. Bioinformatics 2006)

"New Algorithms and Methods to Estimate Maximum-Likelihood Phylogenies: Assessing the Performance of PhyML 3.0." Guindon S. et al. Systematic Biology, 59(3):307-21, 2010.

Maximum likelihood approach

Likelihood function

Seq1	Α	A	Т
Seq2	Α	Т	Α
Seq3	Α	Т	Α
Seq4	Т	А	Т
Seq5	Т	А	Т

Column #1



Likelihood calculation:

Given a model of substitution:

for each possible tree

for each column of the alignment

calculate the likelihood of the column, given the tree

Method: - slow

- most accurate

Maximum likelihood approach: selecting a model of substitution

jModelTest: Phylogenetic Model Averaging

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jModelTest is a new program for the statistical selection of models of nucleotide substitution based on "Phyml" (Guindon and Gascuel 2003. A simple, fast, and accurate algorithm to estimate large phylogenies by maximum likelihood. Syst Biol. 52:696–704.). It implements 5 different selection strategies, including "hierarchical and dynamical likelihood ratio tests," the "Akaike information criterion," the "Bayesian information criterion," and a "decision-theoretic performance-based" approach. This program also calculates the relative importance and model-averaged estimates of substitution parameters, including a model-averaged estimate of the phylogeny. jModelTest is written in Java and runs under Mac OSX, Windows, and Unix systems with a Java Runtime Environment installed. The program, including documentation, can be freely downloaded from the software section at http://darwin.uvigo.es.

Posada D. 2008. Molecular Biology and Evolution 25: 1253-1256.

Maximum likelihood approach: selecting a model of substitution

Table 1Substitution Models Available in jModelTest

Model ^{a-c}	Free Parameters	Base Frequencies	Substitution Rates	Substitution Code
JC	k	Equal	AC = AG = AT = CG = CT = GT	000000
F81	k + 3	Unequal	AC = AG = AT = CG = CT = GT	000000
K80	k + 1	Equal	AC = AT = CG = GT, AG = CT	010010
HKY	k + 4	Unequal	AC = AT = CG = GT, AG = CT	010010
TrNe	k+2	Equal	AC = AT = CG = GT, AG, CT	010020
TrN	k + 5	Unequal	AC = AT = CG = GT, AG, CT	010020
TPM1	k+2	Equal	AC = GT, AT = CG, AG = CT	012210
TPM1u	k + 5	Unequal	AC = GT, AT = CG, AG = CT	012210
TPM2	k+2	Equal	AC = AT, CG = GT, AG = CT	010212
TPM2u	k + 5	Unequal	AC = AT, CG = GT, AG = CT	010212
TPM3	k + 2	Equal	AC = CG, AT = GT, AG = CT	012012
TPM3u	k + 5	Unequal	AC = CG, AT = GT, AG = CT	012012
TIM1e	k + 3	Equal	AC = GT, AT = CG, AG, CT	012230
TIM1	k + 6	Unequal	AC = GT, AT = CG, AG, CT	012230
TIM2e	k + 3	Equal	AC = AT, CG = GT, AG, CT	010232
TIM2	k + 6	Unequal	AC = AT, CG = GT, AG, CT	010232
TIM3e	k + 3	Equal	AC = CG, AT = GT, AG, CT	012032
TIM3	k + 6	Unequal	AC = CG, AT = GT, AG, CT	012032
TVMe	k + 4	Equal	AC, AT, CG, GT, $AG = CT$	012314
TVM	k + 7	Unequal	AC, AT, CG, GT, $AG = CT$	012314
SYM	k + 5	Equal	AC, AG, AT, CG, CT, GT	012345
GTR	k + 8	Unequal	AC, AG, AT, CG, CT, GT	012345

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Maximum likelihood approach: selecting a model of substitution

jModelTest pipeline.



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\Rightarrow Consistency !

Comparing tree topologies



Shimodaira-Hasegawa test of alternative phylogenetic hypotheses (SH test) (Shimodaira and Hasegawa, Molecular Biology and Evolution, 1999)

Null hypothesis: all trees are equally good explanation of the data

-> Resampling approach

Reliability of the phylogenetic trees: non-parametric bootstrap

Felsenstein, J. 1985 Evolution

		Site:	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20
	Spec	ies	• •		•••	• • •				•••	•••			• • • •				• • •				
1	Pre	(Chimp)	С	Т	Т	G	Α	G	A	Α	A	Α	Т	Т	С	Т	Т	Α	G	Α	Т	Α
2	Pme	(Lizard)	Т	С	Т	Α	Α	Α	Α	G	A	Т	Т	Α	Т	Α	Т	A	G	A	Т	A
3	Pma	(Human)	Т	т	т	Α	Α	G	G	Α	Α	Α	Т	Т	С	Т	Т	A	A	A	Т	т
4	Pfa	(Human)	Т	Т	Т	G	Α	G	Α	A	A	A	Т	Т	С	Т	Т	A	G	A	T	Α
5	Pbe	(Rođent)	Т	Т	Т	Α	Α	G	Α	Α	A	Α	Т	T	Т	Α	Т	Α	A	Α	Т	Α
6	Plo	(Bird)	Т	Т	Т	Α	Α	G	Α	Α	A	Α	С	Т	С	Α	С	Α	A	A	Т	С
7	Pfr	(Monkey)	С	т	т	Α	Α	G	Α	Α	G	Α	Т	Т	С	т	т	A	G	G	Α	Α
8	Pkn	(Monkey)	С	Т	т	Α	Α	G	Α	Α	Α	G	Т	Т	С	Т	Т	A	G	A	Т	A
9	Pcy	(Monkey)	С	Т	С	Α	Т	G	Α	A	Α	A	Т	Т	С	Т	Т	Α	G	Α	T	A
10	Pv	(Human)	С	Т	т	Α	Т	G	Α	Α	Α	A	т	т	С	т	С	G	G	A	т	A
11	Pga	(Bird)	Т	т	т	A	A	G	A	A	A	A	Т	Т	T	Т	С	A	A	A	T	С

Efron B et al. PNAS 1996;93:13429-13429

 \Rightarrow Make *n* pseudo replicates of the original dataset

 \Rightarrow Generate a phylogenetic tree for each of the *n* pseudo replicates

 \Rightarrow Make a consensus of the *n* phylogenetic trees

Reliability of the phylogenetic trees: non-parametric bootstrap



Bootstrap support: <50 50-70 70-90 >90

Consistency!

Consistency

Three phylogenetic methods lead to:

- the same well-supported clades

- the same clades but some are poorly-supported with one (or more) method

- very poor support with all methods

- supported divergence between methods



Common problems in phylogenetic analysis: dataset

<u>Alignment problems</u>

- \Rightarrow Improve alignment or restrict data to well-aligned segments
- \Rightarrow Analyze domains/exons separately

<u>Recombination</u>

- \Rightarrow Isolate the recombinant sequences and/or segments
- \Rightarrow Analyze domains/exons separately
- Functional divergence between paralogs
- \Rightarrow Identify and discard the positions
- Sequences with bias in sequence composition
- \Rightarrow Discard them or use appropriate methods
- Sequences with long branches / impact on the root of the tree
- Lack of sequences in key taxonomic groups
- \Rightarrow Obtain more sequences (data mining, exp. approaches)



Abi-Rached et al (PLoS Genetics, 2010)



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Example #2: analysis of the *HLA-B*73* haplotype



Abi-Rached *et al* (Science, 2011)

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Sequences						Domains													
Sequences	1	2	3	4	5	6	6/7	7	8	9	10	13	14						
HLA-B*73:01							M(-21)	C1											
Patr-B*17:01							I(-21)	C1											
Gogo-B*06:01							M(-21)	C1											
HLA-B*07:02							M(-21)												
HLA-B*08:01							M(-21)												
HLA-B*14#*38/*39/*42/*48							M(-21)												
HLA-B*67							M(-21)	C1											
HLA-B*44:03/*50:01							T(-21)												
Patr-B*01 [#] /*03/*09/*18, Gogo-B*02/*03/*04							T(-21)												
Patr-B*04							T(-21)	C1											
Other MHC-B sequences							T(-21)												
Gogo-B*07							M(-21)	C1											
HLA-C*17:01							M(-21)												

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Abi-Rached et al (Science, 2011)



Example #3: functional divergence



Tanaka et Kasahara, 1998

Example #3: functional divergence





Amphioxus Cephalochordate

Abi-Rached et al (Nature Genetics, 2002)

Functional divergence

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DIVERGE: phylogeny-based analysis for functional–structural divergence of a protein family

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Gu and Vander Velden, Bioinformatics. 2002 Mar;18(3):500-1.

Recombination

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RDP3: a flexible and fast computer program for analyzing recombination

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