Gene duplication and loss Part II

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"At least 113 genes entered the vertebrate (or pre-vertebrate) lineage by horizontal transfer from bacteria"

International Human Genome Sequencing Consortium (2001)



More genes underwent positive selection in chimpanzee evolution than in human evolution

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Observations of numerous dramatic and presumably adaptive phenotypic modifications during human evolution prompt the common belief that more genes have undergone positive Darwinian selection in the human lineage than in the chimpanzee lineage number of deficiencies. First, both studies used the mouse as an outgroup, to distinguish between human-specific and chimpspecific nucleotide substitutions, because of the unavailability of genome sequences from any closer outgroups at that time. Because



human

chimpanzee







Genome assemblies are imperfect



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-genomes come in pieces

-there are gaps between pieces

-the order of pieces is not known

How bad assemblies add genes

alleles can be split, increasing number of genes



How bad assemblies add genes

genes can be fragmented by gaps, increasing number of genes



How bad assemblies add genes

genes can be over-predicted by software, increasing number of genes



(This is not due to error or incompleteness of assembly)

How bad assemblies remove genes

highly similar duplicates can be collapsed, decreasing number of genes



How bad assemblies remove genes

genes can be missing, decreasing number of genes





Denton et al. (2014)





High-quality genome



Low-quality genome

Low-quality chimp assembly leads to errors

More genes in the lower-quality assembly:



Variation in error due to technology/coverage





2X Sanger vs. reference



12X 454 vs. reference



82X Illumina vs. reference



Variation in error due to technology/coverage

-2X Sanger: very bad, vastly undercounts genes
-12X 454: pretty bad, slightly overcounts
-82X Illumina: bad, but equally over- and undercounts

The best of these (Illumina) still has ~40% of families with errors

(and don't think your transcriptome assembly is any better!)

-Ks-based methods

-Species overlap methods

-Gene tree-Species tree reconciliation

-Count methods (e.g. CAFE)

Ks-based methods



Lynch and Conery (2003)

Species overlap methods



Gene tree-species tree reconciliation



Gene tree reconciliation

Want to:

-Count duplications and losses

-Identify when they occurred

-(Can be used for species tree inference)

Gene tree reconciliation



gene tree

species tree

1. Label internal nodes





gene tree



Goodman et al. (1979)

2. Initialize map of gene tree tip nodes to species tree tip nodes



3. Map gene tree internal nodes to species tree nodes: this is done to least common ancestor that includes the same lineages



best algorithm: Zmasek and Eddy (2001)

Summary of map:



If the map of a parent node is the same as a child, it is labeled as a duplication.

4. Label nodes such that parent nodes sharing a map with at least one of their children are duplication nodes



Once duplication nodes have been identified, all others are speciation nodes



gene tree

species tree

What about gene losses?

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What about gene losses?

<u>gene tree</u>	species tree	<u>depth of sp</u>	ecies tree node
G2 —	→ S3 -		1
G1 —	→ S2 -		2
A1	→ A -		4
C1 —	→ C		3
D1 —	→ D -	→	2

Counting the depth of a node



species tree

Counting losses



gene tree



Problems with reconciliation

-gene tree error

-biological discordance

-gene conversion

-polyploidy

Error in gene trees

If your gene tree is inferred incorrectly, reconciliation can result in extra duplications and losses





species tree

gene tree

Biological gene tree discordance

If your gene tree is discordant (e.g. due to ILS), reconciliation can result in extra duplications and losses





species tree

gene tree

Gene conversion

If there is gene conversion, reconciliation can result in extra duplications and losses







gene tree (before conversion) gene tree (after conversion)

Allopolyploidy

If there is allopolyploidy, reconciliation can result in extra duplications and losses





gene tree

species tree

Solutions!

-gene tree error

-biological discordance

-polyploidy

-gene conversion

Error in gene trees

Use bootstrap cut-offs to rearrange nodes with low support



implemented in Notung (Chen et al. 2000)

Error in gene trees



Hahn (2007)

losses

Biological discordance due to ILS

Reconcile to a non-binary species tree





gene tree

species tree

Vernot et al. (2008)

Discordance due to ILS or error

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Allopolyploidy

Reconcile to a multiply-labeled (MUL-) tree



Gene conversion

What to do about gene conversion?

"Count" methods!





gene tree (before conversion) gene tree (after conversion)