COALESCENT AND PHYLOGEOGRAPHY

Fate of individual gene copies in the population \rightarrow gene trees

Phylogenetic relationships of 2 descendant populations (eg. mtDNA):

Wright-Fisher model:

Sewall Wright

Ronald A. Fisher

W-F population:

haploid or diploid-hermaphrodite finite size, no fluctuations of *N* random mating complete isolation (no gene flow) discrete generations no age structure no selection variance of gamete sampling \rightarrow Poisson distribution

Sewall Wright

Ronald A. Fisher

time

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John F.C. Kingman

 $\begin{array}{ccc} \circ & \circ & \circ & \circ & \circ \end{array}$ current generations

time

John F.C. Kingman

 3888 coalescence[®]

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we don't know how many copies were in generation of MRCA

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Probability of encounter of 2 cockroaches is *n*(*n* – 1)/4*N*, where $n =$ number of cockroaches in box, $N =$ number of "places" in box

after coalescence, number of cockroaches (copies) is reduced by 1 ...

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... to finish with just 1 copy

Kingman's coalescent:

with dereasing number of remaining copies, the process of coalescence gets slower (for large $n \sim 4N$, for 2 copies $\sim 2N$)

coalescence of last *k* copiies takes (1 – 1/*n*)/(1 – 1/*k*) \Rightarrow first 90% copies coalesce during 9% of total time, remaining 91% of time we wait for coalescence of last 10% copies!

if there are 100 lineages, probability that 101st lineage adds deeper root is only $0.02\% \Rightarrow$ including additional gene copies is unlikely to result in deeper (older) MRCA

distribution of time between coalescences is approximately exponential:

*) see number of cockroaches in box

50 gene copies, 10 randomly chosen:

If we are interested in "old" coalescences, we don't need large samples

eg. only 2 copies render, on average, 50% of coalescent time for the whole population!

By contrast, if we are interested in time to first coalescence from *n* to *n* – 1, estimate *N^e* /[*n*/(*n* – 1)] is sensitive to *n*

eg. range of mean time between first and last coalescence for 10 genes is 0,0444*N^e* to 3,60*N^e* ; by increasing *n* to 100 genes, range will be 0,0004*N^e* – 3,96*N^e*

> by increasing *n* 10 range increases $100 \times ...$

Therefore, for estimates of old evolutionary events, small samples are sufficient, for estimates of recent events, large samples are necessary
Coalescent is affected by various factors, eg.:

mutation

recombination

selection

changes of population size

 \Rightarrow we can use coalescent theory for estimating these parametres

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by migration

Weak migration leads to most coalescences within local populations,....

.... to increasing time to MRCA and its variance

Coalescent is affected by various factors, eg.:

by recombination

Effect of selection on shape of coalescent tree

Effect of changes in population size on shape of coalescent tree

n = 10

Time

Gene vs. species trees once more:

long intervals between speciation events \rightarrow gene and species trees are identical

- short intervals between speciation events \rightarrow gene and species trees can differ (hemiplasy)
- since we assess divergence among sequences and not between species, our estimates are necessarily overestimated
- discrepancies between gene and species trees can be minimized by using markers with low *N^e* , eg. mtDNA or Y chromosome

PHYLOGEOGRAPHY

studies principles and processes affecting geographic distribution of genealogical lineages

in a way, it combines microevolutionary processes (population genetics) with macroevolution (phylogenesis)

mostly intraspecific studies or related species

John C. Avise

Recent expansion:

rapid expansion of a single haplotype accumulation of low number of mutations star structure

Changes of population size

Tajima's test (Tajima's D)

mismatch distribution (rozdělení párových neshod)

coalescent, ML or BA, MCMC

Bayesian Skyline Plot (bayesovský panoramatický graf)

1. Tajima's test

based on comparison of haplotype diversity and nucleotide diversity

primarily it is test of selective neutrality, but it can also indicate population expansion or bottleneck

Let's revisit the neutral theory:

equlibrium heterozygosity θ = $4N_e\mu$

if evolution neutral, θ can be estimated in various ways, e.g.

as mean number of pairwise differences π (or θ_{π})*, or

as θ_W ^{**:}

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\theta_W = \frac{S}{\sum_{i=1}^{n-1} \left(\frac{1}{i}\right)}
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 where S = number of segregating sites

*) nucleotide diversity **) Watterson's theta

If NT and model of infinite sites: $\theta_{\pi} = \theta_{W}$

Fumio Tajima (1989):
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D = \frac{\theta_{\pi} - \theta_{W}}{\sqrt{Var(\theta_{\pi} - \theta_{W})}}
$$

Eg.:

pairwise comparisons:

- 1-2: 3 differences
- 1-3: 2 differences
- 1-4: 3 differences
- 2-3: 1 differences
- 2-4: 3 differences
- 3-4: 3 differences

av. $\pi = (3+2+3+1+3+3)/6 = 2,5$

S = 4 segregating sites

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\theta_W = 4/(1/1 + 1/2 + 1/3) = 4/1,83 = 2,186
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 θ_{π} - θ_{μ} = 2,5 – 2,186 = 0,314

1. Tajima's test

very negative values indicate population expansion – prevalence of "young" polymorphisms, when new haplotypes were arising, but nucleotide diversity still low

programs Arlequin, DnaSP etc.

likewise Fu's test etc.

2. Mismatch distribution

Divergence (%)

pairwise differences

test of agreement between real distribution and prediction:

Harpending's raggedness index (Harpending 1994)

sum of squared deviations

time of expansion/bottleneck: $\tau = 1/2u$, where *u* is mutation rate for whole sequence

we can also estimate population size before and after expansion

3. ML a Bayesian inference

MCMC

comparison of stable population model and model of exponential growth/decline using LRT with 1 degree of freedom

program Fluctuate:

growth parametre *g* ML i BA approach

4. Bayesian Skyline Plot (BSP)

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Possible results of phylogeografical studies (Avise 2000)

Category I:

distinct allopatric lineages

barriers to gene flow or low dispersion

differences because of lineage sorting, or accumulation of new mutations

Apteryx australis

sympatric, but deep lineages \Rightarrow secondary contact of previously separated populations

Category III:

allopatric, only slightly separated lineages

closely related, but geographically localized haplotypes

recently, populations in contact

but: gene flow sufficiently low

 \rightarrow drift and lineage sorting \rightarrow divergence of populations

often:

Category I on coarse scale Category III on fine scale

eg.: *Geomys pinetis*

Category IV:

sympatric, only slightly separated lineages strong gene flow absence of geographic barriers or recent expansion

Anguilla rostrata

Random dispersion of larvae

Panmictic aggregation during spawning

Category V:

combination of III and IV

- low divergence of lineages
- some lineages widely distributed (likely ancestral), others (new) geographically limited

we should use private haplotypes as characters

Genealogical concordance (congruence on different levels)

Genetic consequences of glaciations

Refugia (Iberian, Apennine, Balkan peninsulas)

In refugia, small populations during relatively long time

Lineage sorting (+ mutations)

Subsequent expansion \rightarrow intraspecific hybrid zones

But in several species, there were also northern refugia!

Chorthippus parallelus

Horáček, Vesmír 94 (2015)

Relationship between genetic population structure, sex-specific dispersal and gene flow regimes (Avise 2000)

Why mtDNA advantageous?

- ? Small (15-20 kb), circle molecule
- ? Without introns
- ? Minimum of non-coding regions
- ? Uniparental (maternal)
- ? Non-recombining
- ? Only one type in many copies in the cell

? Neutrality (same fitness of different variants) ... and why the question marks?

Problems for population genetics:

Neutrality

Interspecific transmission

Nuclear pseudogenes

Biparental inheritance

Recombination

Neutrality?

influence on fitness (experimental evidence):

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mouse (Mus)
fruit fly (Drosophila)
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human

OXPHOS

Interspecific introgression:

hairs in Spain:

presence of *Lepus timidus* mtDNA in *L. granatensis*, *L. castroviejoi* and *L. europaeus*

however, *L. timidus* disappeared at the end of the last glacial; multiple transmission of various mtDNA lineages

= mtDNA capture

Nuclear Mitochondrial DNA = NUMT:

copies of mtDNA segments integrated to nuclear DNA

loss of function

molecular fossils

similarity with original sequence \rightarrow risk of amplification instead of mtDNA \Rightarrow problem!!

various appearance in different groups and different species within the groups eg.: numt > 12,5 kb in 7 felid species humans: 27 numts after split from chimpanzee lineage

What to do?

ultracentrifugation (usually fresh samples needed, or at least deep-frozen)

tissues with large number of mitochondria (eg. muscles)

long-range PCR

RT-PCR

electronic PCR (in species with known genomes)

Recombination of mtDNA:

necessary conditions:

biparental inheritance – fusion of mitochondria

existence of protein machinery for recombination: also in humans

biparental inheritance:

despite myths, father's mitochondria usually transmitted to the zygote, where they are labelled and subsequently eliminated (in mammals, mitochondria are labelled by father's nuclear genes)

in some species paternal leakage: *Mus*, *Drosophila*, *Parus*, *Homo*

Recombination of mtDNA:

biparental inheritance:

Gyllensten et al.,1991: Paternal inheritance of mitochondrial DNA in mice. *Nature* 352: 255–257.

F1 hybrids *Mus spretus* C57BL frequency of paternal mtDNA relative to maternal $\approx 10^{-4}$

Maternal Inheritance of Mouse mtDNA in Interspecific Hybrids: Segregation of the Leaked Paternal mtDNA Followed by the Prevention of Subsequent Paternal Leakage

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Shitara et al.,1998: Genetics 148: 851–857.

F1 hybrids *Mus spretus* C57BL leakage of paternal mtDNA not in all tissues only in F1, not in subsequent generations (in backcrosses) \rightarrow species-specific exclusion