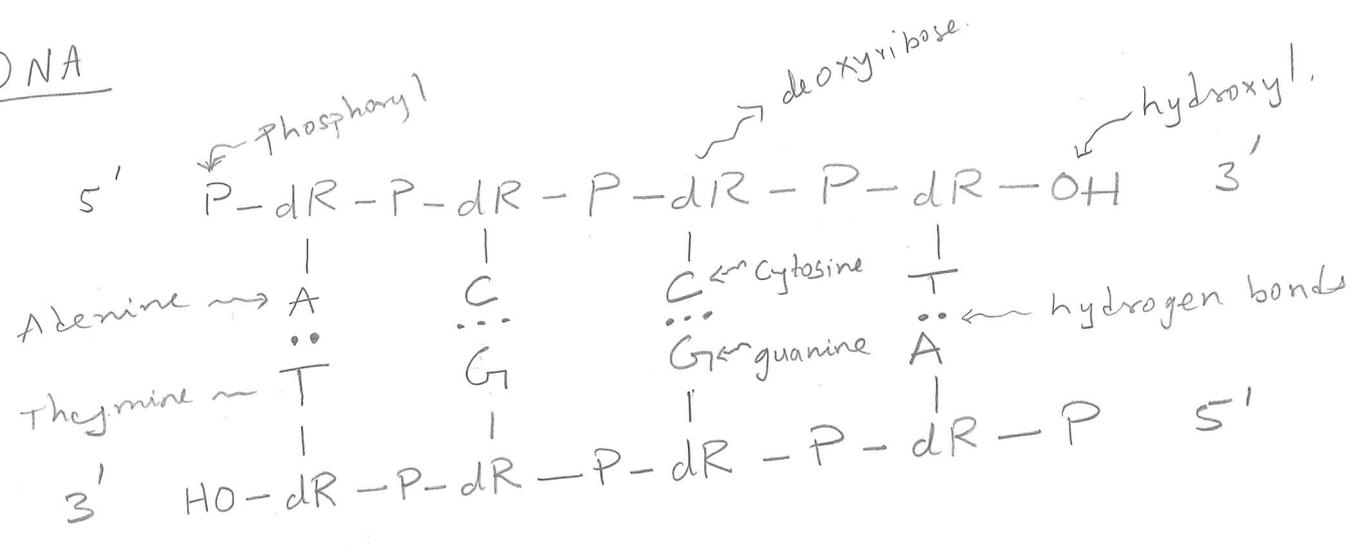


# DNA



Hereditary information of living things is carried by DNA sequences  $\in \{A, C, G, T\}^N$  (its genome)

$N \approx 12M$  For yeast set of nucleotides

Double-stranded DNA can replicate! by copying from each strand

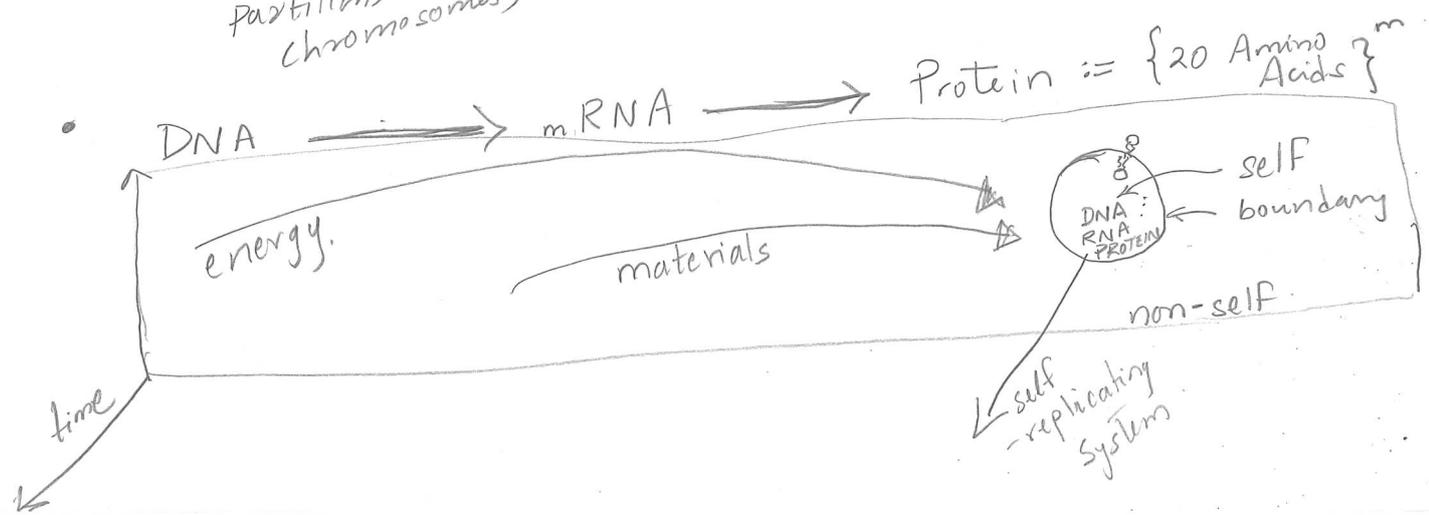


Nucleotide frequencies is non-uniform for Yeast

- A = 0.3090
- T = 0.3078
- C = 0.1917
- G = 0.1913

organisms have different number of copies of their genome (organized by partitions called chromosomes)

- 1 (haploid) eg. bacteria
- 2 (diploid) eg. humans, (most animals)
- 4 (tetraploid) eg. plants.
- 6 (hexaploid) eg. wheat
- > 6 (polyploid) eg. sorghum has 100 chromosomes of 8 types!

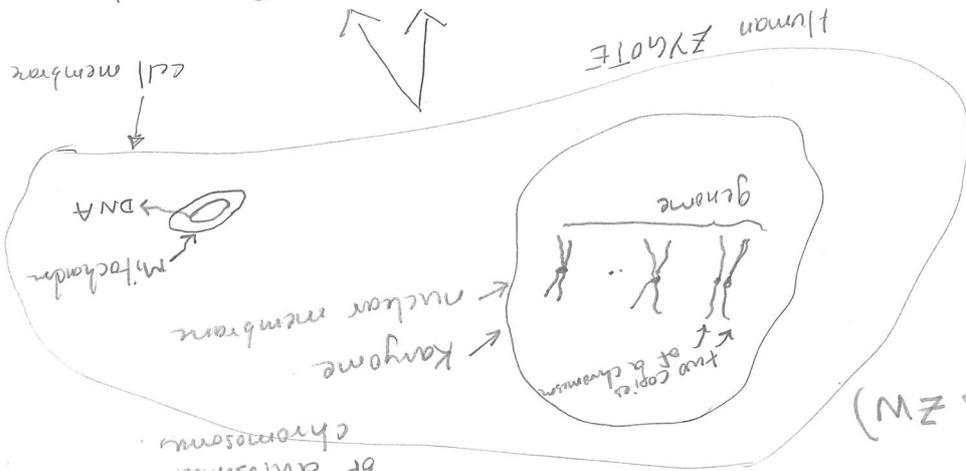


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# Sexual Reproduction in diploids & recombination

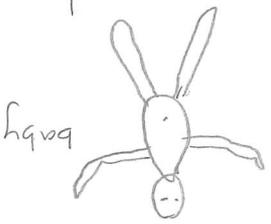
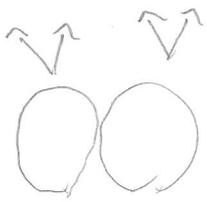
humans → 1 sex chromosome, females XX; males XY  
→ 22 autosomes, females & males have two copies AA

(Birds: males ZZ; females ZW)



Human ZYGOTE

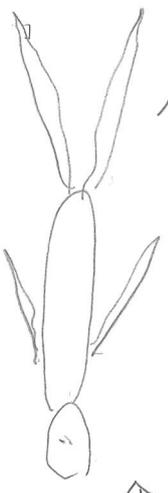
mitosis + ontogeny (development)



Adult female



Adult male

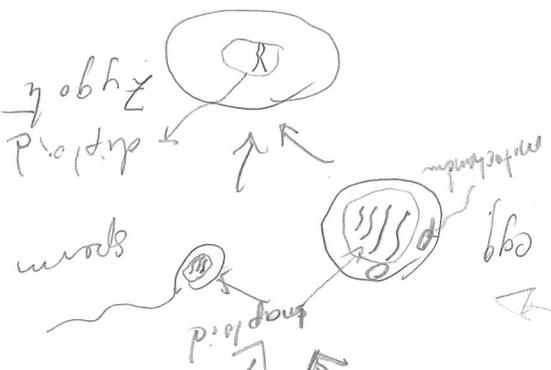


Recombination between homologous pair of chromosomes



recombination

♀



No recombination - Y chromosome & Mitochondrial DNA

# Wright-Fisher Model (1931)

(2)

genetic locus := a location in the genome of an organism

Alleles := different versions of the genetic information encoded at a locus.

eg Alleles  $A$  and  $a$  could represent 'distinct' DNA sequences:  $A =$  CTGAAATCGTAA  $a =$  CTGATATCGTAG

posn 10193 on chrm 13

X X

or just at a single position on a chromosome = site

$A =$  G  $a =$  T

site at posn. 15326 on chrm 14

Diploid organisms have two copies so they will be

$A A$  or  $a a$   
 $A a$  or  $a A$   
(AA) (Aa) (aa)

Three genotypes at a biallelic locus

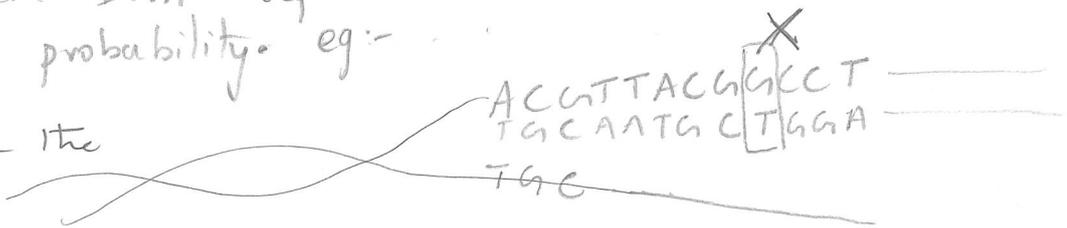
## fitness

of an individual is a measure of its ability to survive and to produce offspring.

## Mutation

When DNA replicates mistakes <sup>or mutations</sup> can be made with small probability. eg:-

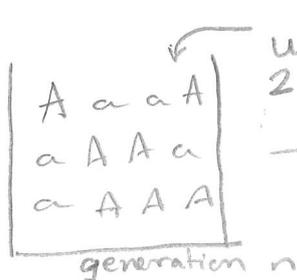
(mutations change the DNA sequence of the original template DNA)



neutral evolution when mutation does not affect fitness.

## WF Model

as sampling with replacement from an urn with  $2N$  balls.



- nonoverlapping generation (deaths & rebirths every generation)
- random mating.

④ At gen.  $n$   $i$  balls (individuals) have allele  $A$  and  $2N-i$  balls have allele  $a$

$2N$  = number of haploid alleles in a diploid population of size  $N$ .

To build up the  $(n+1)$ -th gen. choose from the urn at gen  $n$ ,  $2N$  times with replacement

$X_n$  = Number of  $A$ 's in gen  $n$

$X_n$  is a Markov chain on  $\{0, 1, 2, \dots, 2N\}$

Since  $P_r(X_{n+1} = j | X_n = i, X_{n-1} = x_{n-1}, \dots, X_0 = x_0)$

$$= P_r(X_{n+1} = j | X_n = i)$$

$$=: p(i, j)$$

$$= \binom{2N}{j} \left(\frac{i}{2N}\right)^j \left(\frac{2N-i}{2N}\right)^{2N-j}$$

prob. of choosing on  $A$   $j$  times

prob. of choosing allele  $a$   $2N-j$  times

Binomial  $(2N, \frac{i}{2N})$  RV

PMF of

$$\binom{2N}{j} = \frac{(2N)!}{j!(2N-j)!}$$

where,

Binomial coefficient

where  $j! = j(j-1)(j-2)\dots 2 \cdot 1$  factorial is number of ways of ordering  $j$  items in a row.

number of ways of choosing  $j$  items out of  $2N$  items

Long-Term behaviour of  $\{X_n\}_{n=0}^{\infty}$ , the W-F Markov chain for the number of A alleles among  $2N$  alleles. (5)

Either  $X_n \xrightarrow{n \rightarrow \infty} \begin{cases} 0 & \text{with no A alleles} \\ 2N & \text{with no a alleles} \end{cases}$

Because  $0$  &  $2N$  are absorbing states.  
(the chain can never leave once it enters either  $0$  or  $2N$ )

We say fixation has occurred when  $X_n$  enters an absorbing state (whole population is fixated on one allele).

fixation Time  $\tau$ , i.e. first time the popn is all a's or all A's.

$$\tau := \min \left\{ n : X_n = 0 \text{ or } X_n = 2N \right\}$$

Thm 1 In the W-F model, the prob. of fixation in the all A's state, given you start with  $i$  A's is:

$$\Pr(X_\tau = 2N \mid X_0 = i) = \frac{i}{2N}$$

Proof: Since  $2N < \infty$ , fixation with all A's or a's will eventually occur (i.e.  $0$  &  $2N$  are absorbing states).

Since the expectation of the Binomial( $n, p$ ) RV is  $n \cdot p$

$$E(X_{n+1} \mid X_n = i) = 2N \left( \frac{i}{2N} \right) = i = X_n$$

Taking expected value on both sides, we get

$$E(X_{n+1}) = E(X_n) \implies \text{so average value of the number of A's remains the same through time.}$$

Now, since  $X_n = X_\tau$  when  $n > \tau$

$$(\star) \quad i = E(X_n \mid X_0 = i) = E(X_\tau; \tau \leq n \mid X_0 = i) + E(X_\tau; \tau > n \mid X_0 = i)$$

where,  $E(X; A) =$  Expected value over the set  $A$ . (6)

Now let  $n \rightarrow \infty$  with the fact that  $|X_n| \leq 2N$

we get that:  $E(X_t; \tau \leq n | X_0 = i) \rightarrow E(X_t | X_0 = i)$

and  $E(X_t; \tau > n | X_0 = i) \rightarrow 0$

So, from (\*)

$$i = E(X_t | X_0 = i) = 2N \cdot P(X_t = 2N | X_0 = i)$$

$$\text{and } \therefore P(X_t = 2N | X_0 = i) = \frac{i}{2N} \quad \square$$

Thus, the prob. of being fixed in all  $A$ 's state having started with  $i$   $A$ ' alleles is simply  $\frac{i}{2N}$ , the proportion of  $A$  alleles at the start.

### Mutation

Now suppose that mutations occur in the population, whereby  $A \xrightarrow{\alpha}$  or  $a \xrightarrow{\alpha}$  <sup>mutates to</sup>

at rate  $\mu$ . Then from Thm 1 we get Kimura's result:

### Thm 2

Under W-F model, the rate of fixation of neutral mutations in a  $\sim$  haploid pop<sup>n</sup> of size  $2N$  is the mutation rate  $\mu$

Proof: Note that mutations occur to some individual in the population at rate  $2N\mu$  and since this is the only individual with this mutation, it goes to fixation (by Thm 1) with prob.  $\frac{1}{2N}$ .

Heterozygosity is the prob. that two copies of the locus chosen (without replacement) at time  $n$  are different:

$$H_n^o := \frac{X_n(2N - X_n)}{\frac{2N(2N-1)}{2}} \leftarrow \begin{matrix} \text{number of choosing} \\ \text{an A and an a allele} \end{matrix}$$

$$= \frac{2X_n(2N - X_n)}{2N(2N-1)} \leftarrow \begin{matrix} \binom{2N}{2} = \frac{2N!}{(2N-2)! \cdot 2!} = \frac{2N(2N-1)}{2} \\ \text{The number of ways of} \\ \text{choosing any two out of } 2N \\ \text{items} \end{matrix}$$

**Thm 3**

Let  $h(n) := E(H_n^o)$ , the expected heterozygosity at time  $n$  in the W-F model. Then,

$$h(n) = \left(1 - \frac{1}{2N}\right)^n h(0)$$

Proof

Let us label the alleles by  $1, 2, \dots, 2N$   
 $2N$  copies of the locus. or individuals.

Suppose we pick two individuals at time  $n$  labelled by  $x_1(0)$  and  $x_2(0)$ .

Each indiv.  $x_i(0)$ ,  $i=1, \dots, 2N$  is a descendant of some individual  $x_i(1)$  at time  $n-1$ , who is a descendant of  $x_i(2)$  at time  $n-2$ , etc.

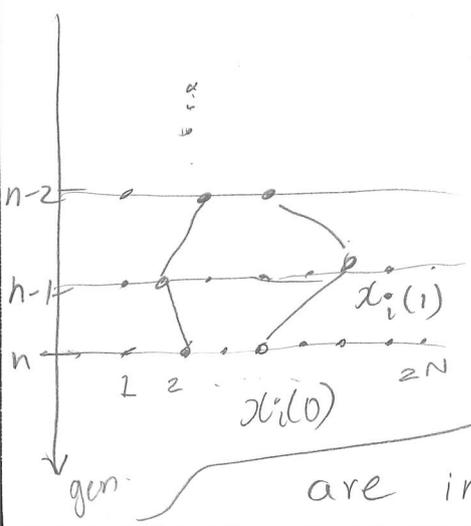
So,  $(x_i(m) : 0 \leq m \leq n)$  gives the genealogy or ancestral lineage of  $x_i(0)$   
(ancestors back in time)

Let  $x_1(0)$  and  $x_2(0)$  be two randomly chosen indivs.

**NOTE** If  $x_1(m) = x_2(m)$

then  $x_1(l) = x_2(l)$  for  $m < l \leq n$ .

If  $x_1(m) \neq x_2(m)$  the parental choices are indep. with  $\Pr\{x_1(m+1) \neq x_2(m+1)\} = 1 - \frac{1}{2N}$

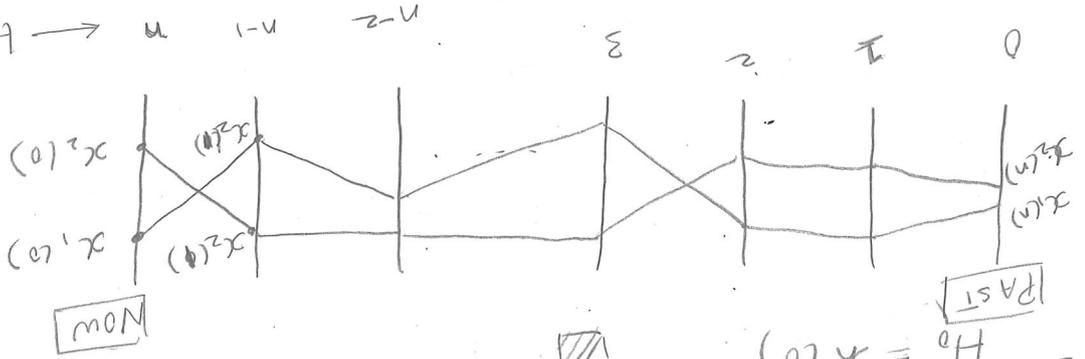


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For  $x_1(n) \neq x_2(n)$ , different parents should be chosen for all times  $1 \leq m \leq n$ ,

$$Pr \{ x_1(m) \neq x_2(m) : 1 \leq m \leq n \} = \left(1 - \frac{1}{2N}\right)^n$$

Finally  $x_1(n)$  and  $x_2(n)$  are two random indivs from time 0, so the prob they are different is  $H_0 = h(0)$



A pair of genealogies remaining distinct for  $n$  gens.

## The Coalescent (Kingman 1982)

$$1 - x \approx e^{-x}$$

if  $2N$  is large  $\uparrow$   
 $e^{-n/2N} \approx h(0)$

$$h(n) = \left(1 - \frac{1}{2N}\right)^n \approx e^{-n/2N} h(0)$$

When  $x$  is small

Thm 3 (with  $\frac{1}{2N}$  small)

Suppose, instead of 2, we sample  $K$  random individuals,  $K \sim$  will pick the same parent in prev. gen. is.

$$\frac{1}{2N} \approx \frac{2}{K(K-1)}$$

Number of ways of picking 2 from  $K$  indivs  $\approx$  because we ignore events of  $O(\frac{1}{2N})$  with prob. of  $O(\frac{1}{2N})$  three indivs choose same parent

The prob. that these two indivs will choose the same parent

Thm 4 When measured in units of  $2N$  generations, the amount of time during which there are  $k$  lineages,  $t_k$ , has approximately exponential distribution with rate  $k(k-1)/2$ . (9)

Proof:  $\Pr \{ k \text{ lineages remain distinct for } n \text{ generations} \}$

$$\approx \left( 1 - \frac{k(k-1)}{2} \cdot \frac{1}{2N} \right)^n \approx \exp \left( - \frac{k(k-1)}{2} \cdot \frac{n}{2N} \right)$$

Recall  $\left[ \begin{array}{l} T \sim \text{Exponential}(\lambda) \\ P(T > t) = e^{-\lambda t} \end{array} \right. \begin{array}{l} \uparrow \text{rate parameter} \\ E(T) = \frac{1}{\lambda} \end{array}$

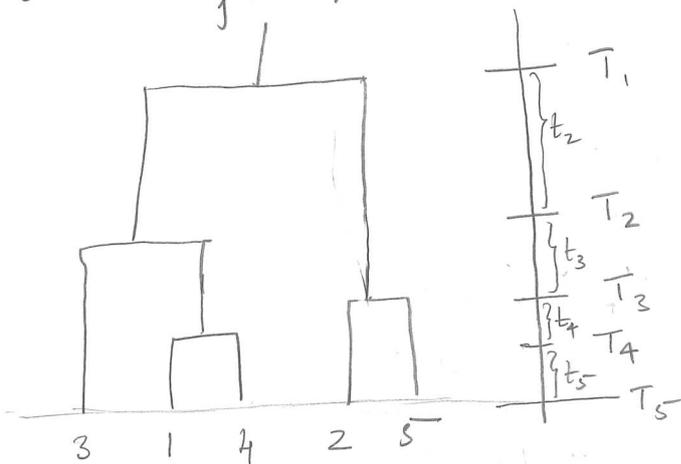
By letting  $N \rightarrow \infty$  and expressing time in terms of  $2N$  generations, i.e. letting  $t = n/2N$ , we get

The time to the first coalescence (choosing same ancestor) event is  $\text{Exponential} \left( \frac{k(k-1)}{2} \right)$  RV.

Thus  $k$  lineages coalesce to  $k-1$  lineages at rate  $k(k-1)/2$  using continuous time Markov chain (CTMC) terminology.  $\square$

The limit of genealogies in Thm 4 is called the coalescent

Let  $T_j =$  first time with  $j$  lineages, then we have.



A realisation of the coalescent for a sample of size 5 drawn randomly from a large pop of size  $2N$ .

Expected Coalescent times

$E(t_2) = 1, E(t_3) = \frac{1}{3}, E(t_4) = \frac{1}{6}, E(t_5) = \frac{1}{10}$

(10) (we use lower case for EVs here for exposition)

$\therefore E(t_k) = \frac{1}{2k(k-1)}$

$T_1$  = time of the appearance of the Most Recent Common Ancestor (MRCA) of the sample

$= t_n + t_{n-1} + \dots + t_3 + t_2$

$E(T_1) = E\left(\sum_{k=2}^n t_k\right) = \sum_{k=2}^n \frac{1}{2k(k-1)} = 2 \sum_{k=2}^n \left(\frac{1}{k-1} - \frac{1}{k}\right)$

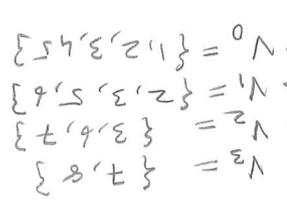
$= 2 \left( \sum_{k=1}^{n-1} \frac{1}{k} - \sum_{k=2}^n \frac{1}{k} \right) = 2 \left( 1 - \frac{1}{n} \right) \rightarrow 2$

for large samples

But  $\overline{E(t_2)} = 1 \approx E(T_1)$

Simulating The Coalescent

Let's label internal nodes.



input sample size n

initialize

$V_0 = \{1, 2, 3, \dots, n\}, T_n = 0$

for  $k = 0, 1, \dots, n-2$  do

pick  $v_k$  and  $j_k$  from  $V_k$

$V_{k+1} \leftarrow V_k \setminus \{v_k, j_k\} \cup \{n+k+1\}$

In tree connect  $v_k \rightarrow n+k+1$  and  $j_k \rightarrow n+k+1$

Let  $T_{n-k} \sim \text{Exponential}(n-k)$

Let  $T_{n-k-1} \leftarrow T_{n-k} + t_{n-k}$

(tree 2)

label branch by smaller number on lower end  $1 \leq i \leq 2n-2$

After generating genealogy

Mutations

$\mu$  = mutation rate per gen.

$\theta = 4N\mu$

$X(i) \sim \text{Poi}\left(\frac{\theta}{2} T_{\text{ancestral}}\right)$  distributed randomly across  $m$  sites

ancestral  $[i]_k = n+k+1$

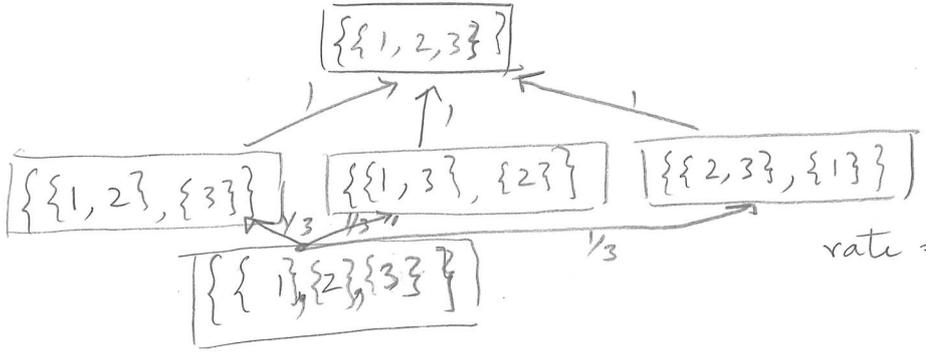
ancestral  $[j]_k = n+k+1$

tree (1)

$\sim (n-k) \log\left(\frac{1}{n}\right)$

# State space of the coalescent

$\xi_n$  = Set of all set partitions of  $\{1, 2, \dots, n\}$



$$\text{rate} = \binom{3}{2} = \frac{3!}{1!2!} = 3$$

# Infinite Sites Model (Kimura, 1969)

Mutations always occur at distinct sites.

(picture DNA sequence as a unit interval in  $\mathbb{R}$ )

binary incidence matrix

$\downarrow$  [BIM]

0	1	0	...	0
0	0	1	...	1

1 2 3 ... n

T	A	T	...	T
G	C	G	...	C

1 2 3 ... n

ancestral state  
↑ individuals  
site  
chrom. posn.  
13 012541  
13 012397

derived state  
↑  
ancestral state

## segregating sites

$S_n =$  number of segregating sites = number of site positions where some pair of

individual DNA sequences differ.