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Inferring Parsimonious Migration Histories for Metastatic Cancers

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Tumorigenesis: (i) Cell Mutation

Clonal Theory of Cancer [Nowell, 1976]

> Mutation Founder tumor cell

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Tumorigenesis: (i) Cell Division, (ii) Mutation & (iii) Migration











Goal: Given clone tree *T*, find *parsimonious* vertex labeling *e* with fewest migrations

Minimum Migration Analysis in Ovarian Cancer

McPherson et al. (2016). Divergent modes of clonal spread and intraperitoneal mixing in high-grade serous ovarian cancer. *Nature Genetics*.

• Instance of the maximum parsimony small phylogeny problem [Fitch, 1971; Sankoff, 1975]



Minimum Migration History is Not Unique

• Enumerate all minimum-migration vertex labelings in the backtrace step



Appendix Left Fallopian Tube LFTB Left Ovary **Right Fallopian Tube** RFTA **Right Ovary** Small Bowel SBwl Omentum

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- Multiple tumor cells migrate simultaneously through the blood stream [Cheung et al., 2016]
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LOv

ROv

Om

B1 Om

⁺ Not necessarily true in the case of directed cycles

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Parsimonious Migration History (PMH): Given a clone tree T and a set \mathcal{P} of allowed migration patterns, find vertex labeling ℓ with minimum migration number $\mu^*(T)$ and smallest comigration number $\hat{\gamma}(T)$.

PMH is NP-hard [El-Kebir, WABI 2018]

MACHINA: Joint Clone Tree and Migration History Inference



Applying MACHINA to Metastatic Breast Cancer



A7 Patient

• Triple negative, basal-like breast cancer presenting with Stage IIIA disease

- Treated with neoadjuvant AC-T achieving stable disease, followed by mastectomy and radiation
- After 17 months, patient presented with Stage IV disease with 7 distant metastases
- Died of disease in 25 months
- Six tumors for WGS: primary, rib, kidney, brain, liver, and lung

Hoadley et al. Tumor Evolution in Two Patients with Basal-like Breast Cancer: A Retrospective Genomics Study of Multiple Metastases. *PLOS Med*, *13*(12) 2016





Conclusions & Acknowledgments

- Migration history not determined by migration number
- Group of cells from distinct clones may comigrate
- Tradeoff between migrations, comigrations and migration pattern
- MACHINA: algorithm for joint clone tree and migration history inference from bulk DNA sequencing data

https://github.com/raphael-group/machina

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MACHINA accurately infers clone trees and migration histories on simulated data

