

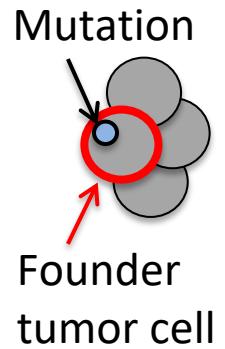
# SPhyR: Tumor Phylogeny Estimation from Single-Cell Sequencing Data under Loss and Error

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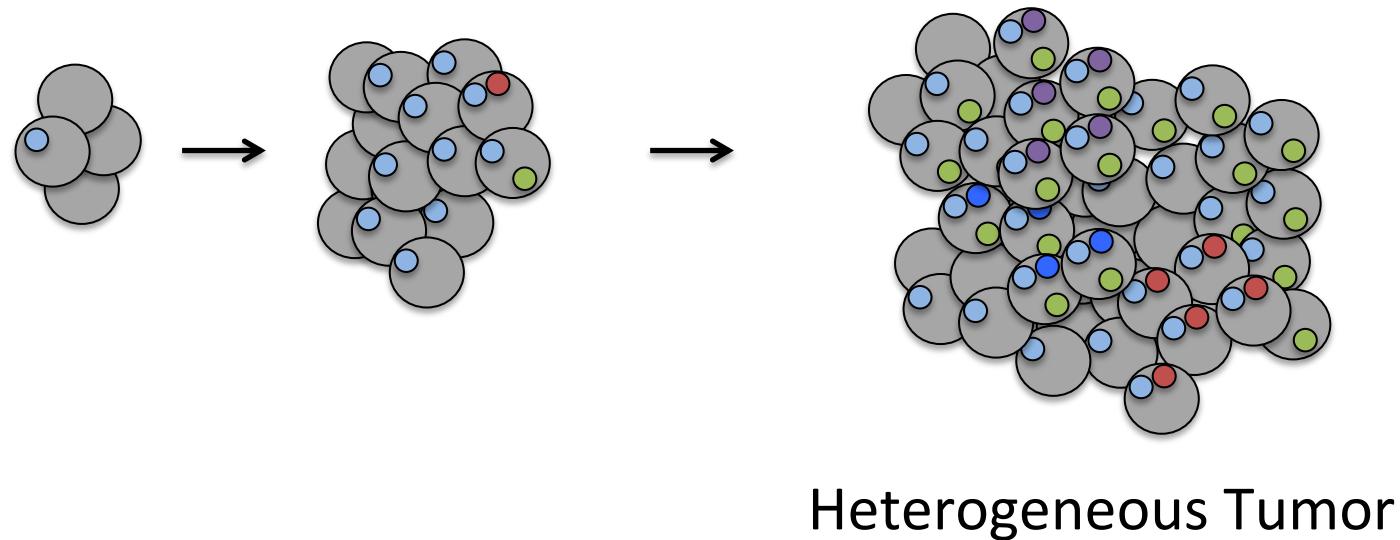
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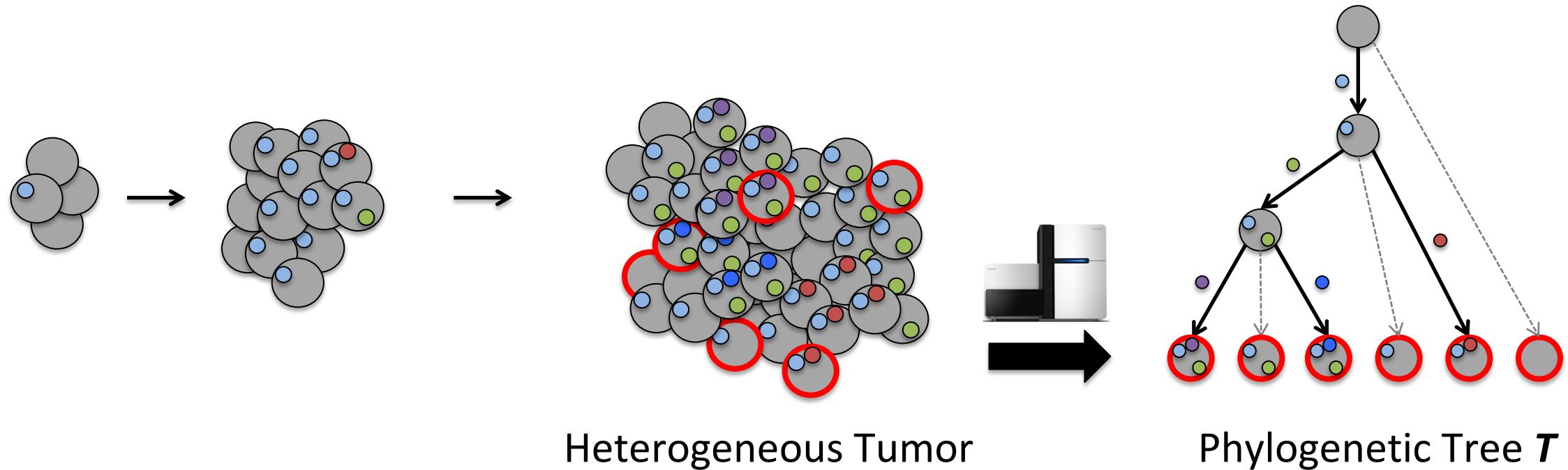


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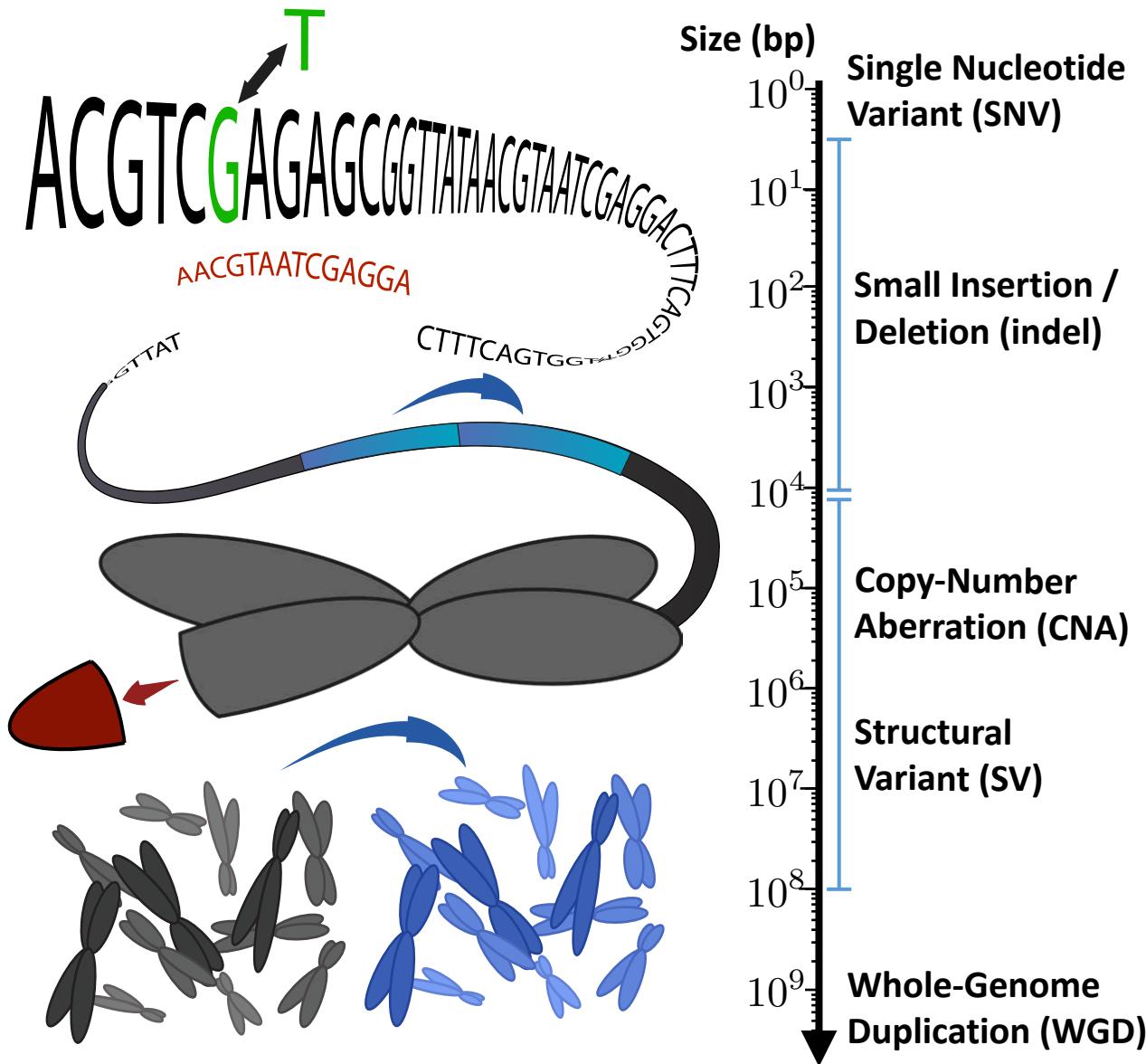
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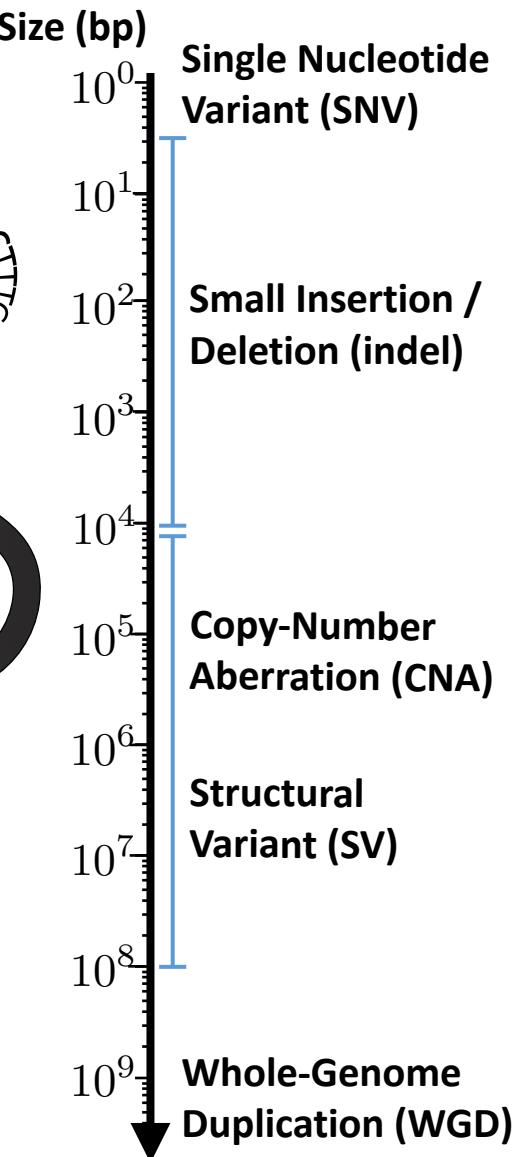
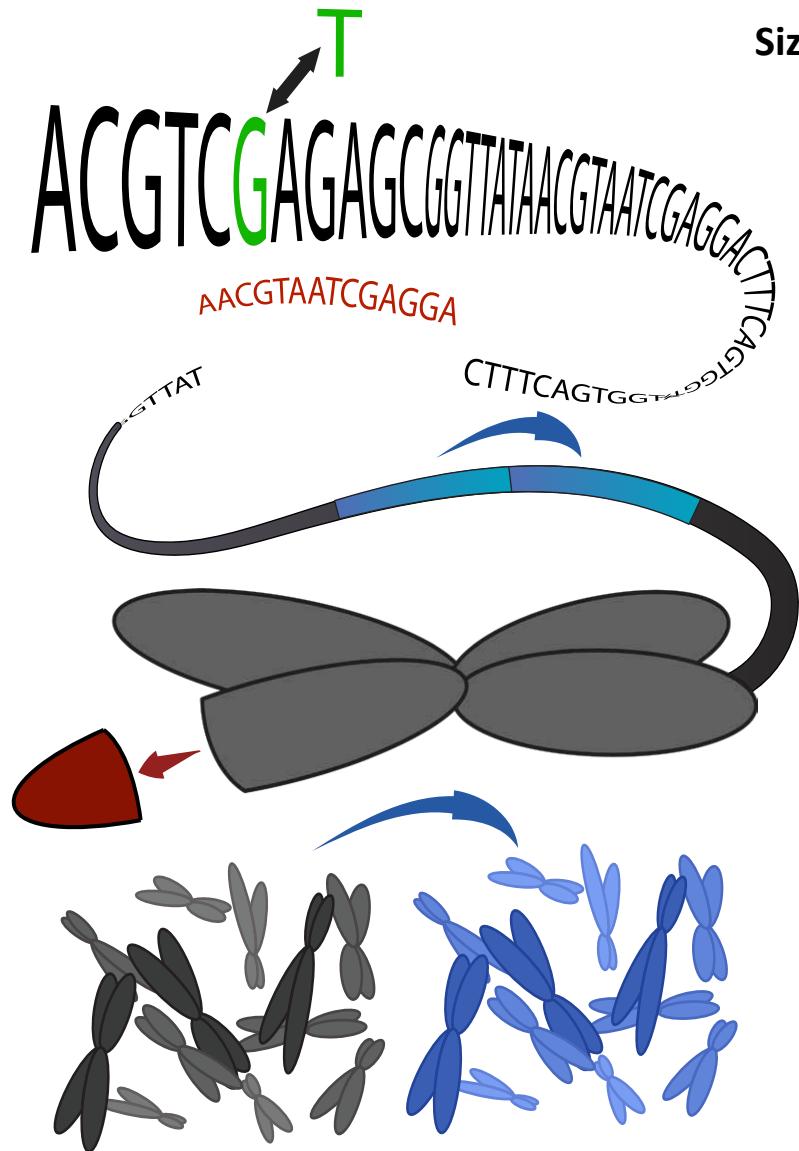
**Goal:** Given single-cell DNA sequencing data, find phylogenetic tree  $T$

**Requirement:** Evolutionary model

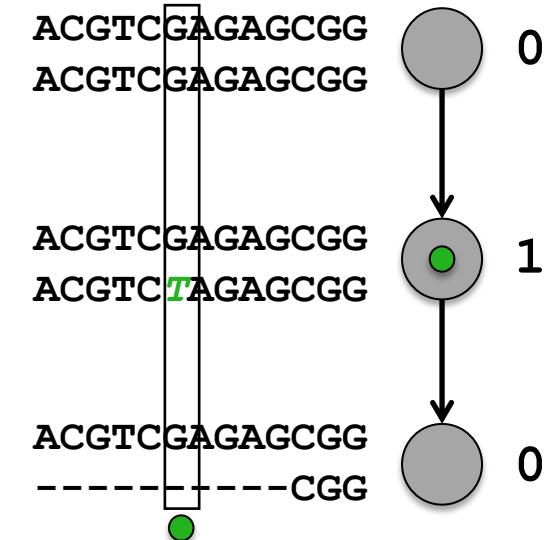
# Somatic Mutations Occur at Different Genomic Scales



# Infinite Sites Assumption is too Restrictive for SNVs



SNVs can be **lost** due to CNAs

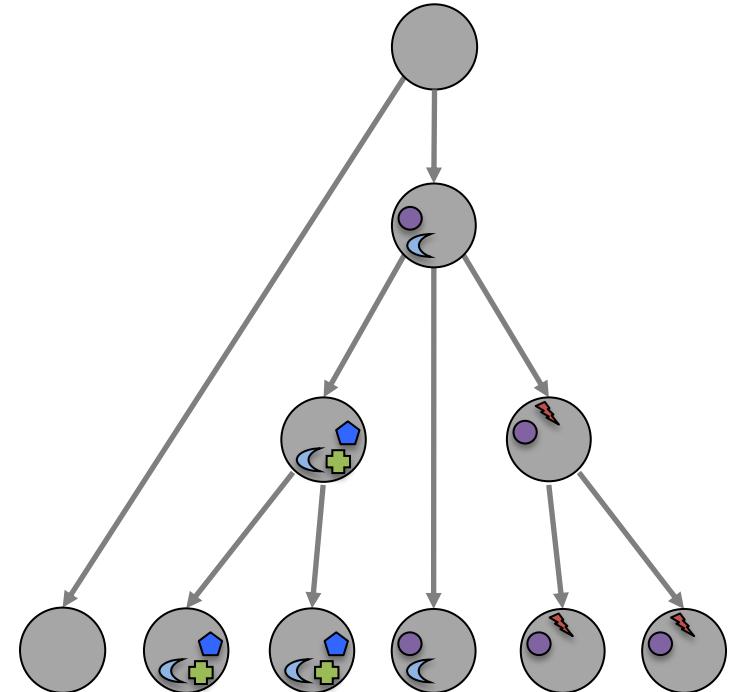


**Infinite sites assumption:**

- No parallel evolution of SNVs
- No loss of SNVs
- SCITE [Jahn et al. 2016]
- OncoNEM [Ross and Markowitz, 2016]

# Outline

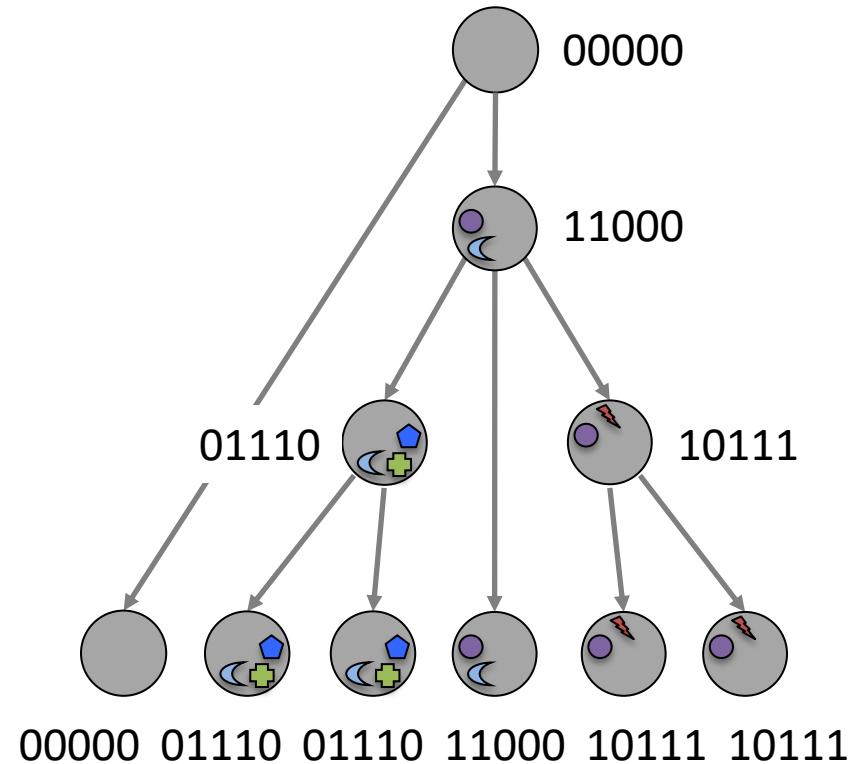
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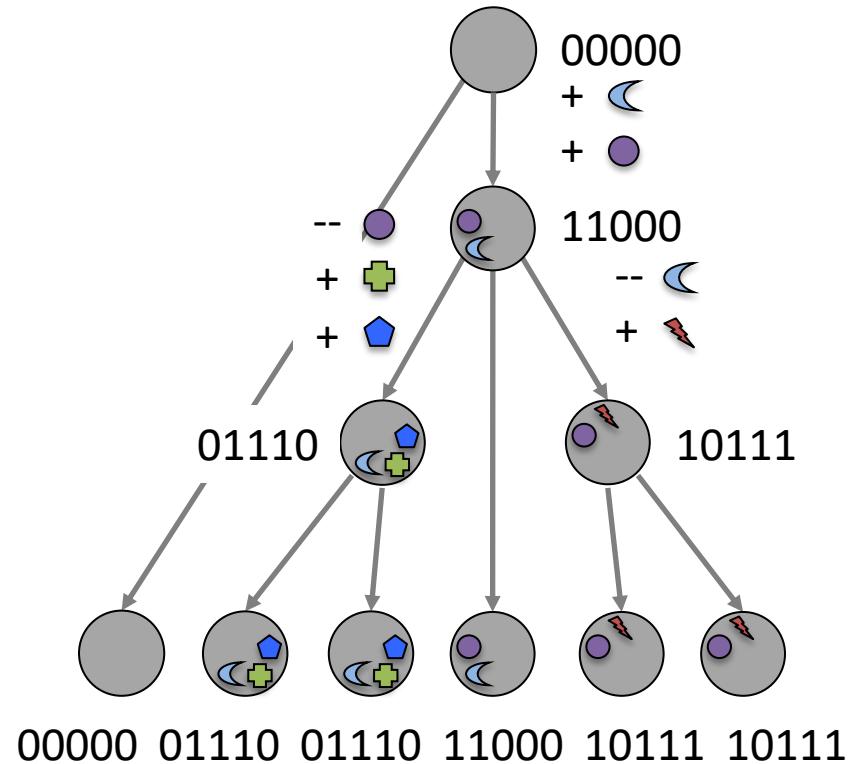
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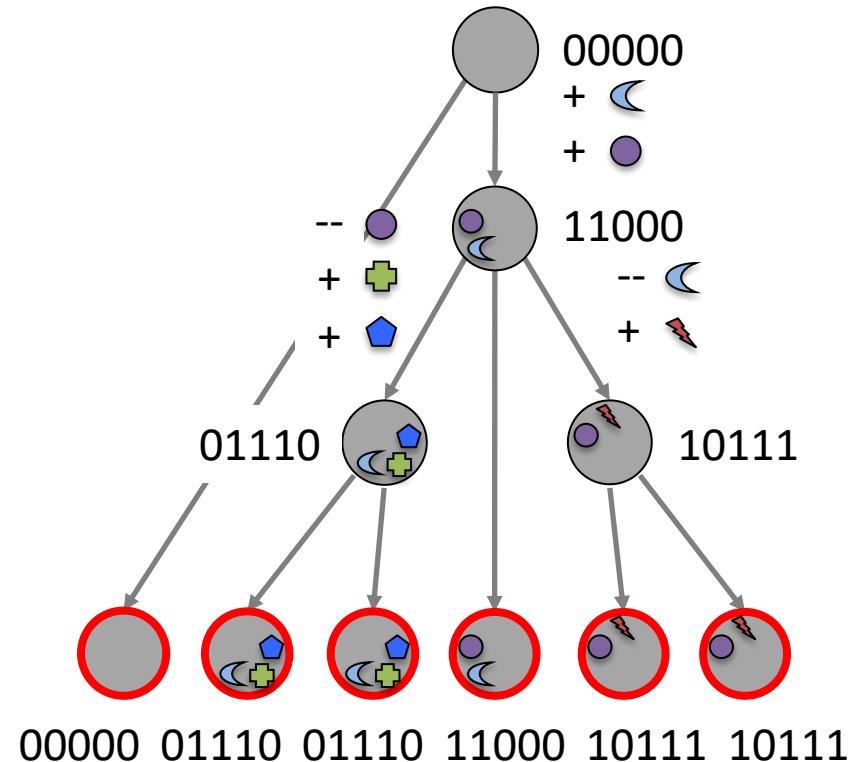
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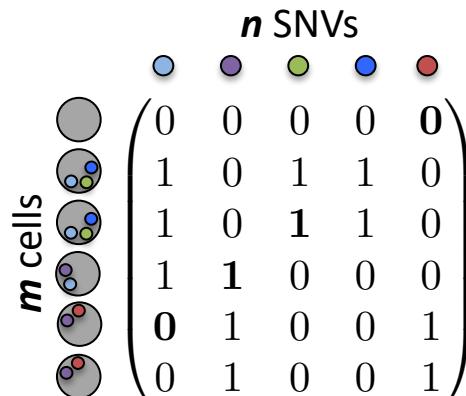
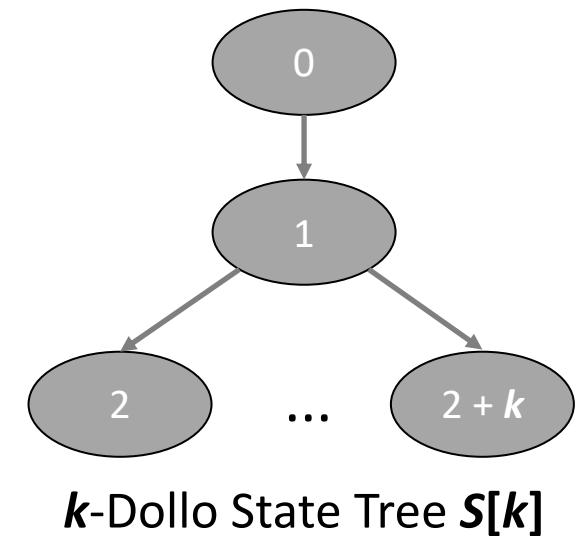
**$k$ -Dollo Phylogeny problem ( $k$ -DP).** Given a binary matrix  $B \in \{0, 1\}^{m \times n}$  and parameter  $k \in \mathbb{N}$ , determine whether there exists a  $k$ -Dollo phylogeny for  $B$ , and if so construct one.

$$B = \begin{pmatrix} & n \text{ SNVs} \\ \bullet & \bullet & \bullet & \bullet & \bullet \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad \begin{array}{c} \text{ } \\ \text{ } \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{c} m \text{ cells} \\ \text{ } \end{array}$$

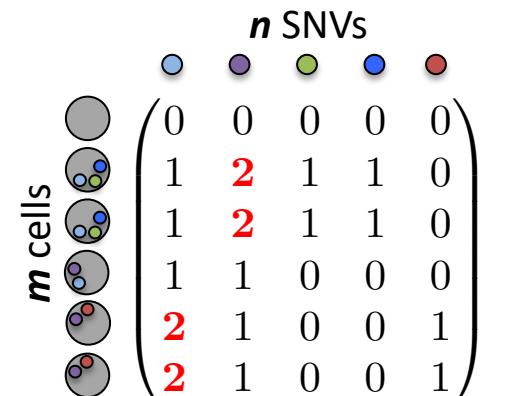
# Combinatorial Characterization of $k$ -DP

**Theorem 3.** Let  $B \in \{0, 1\}^{m \times n}$ . The following statements are equivalent.

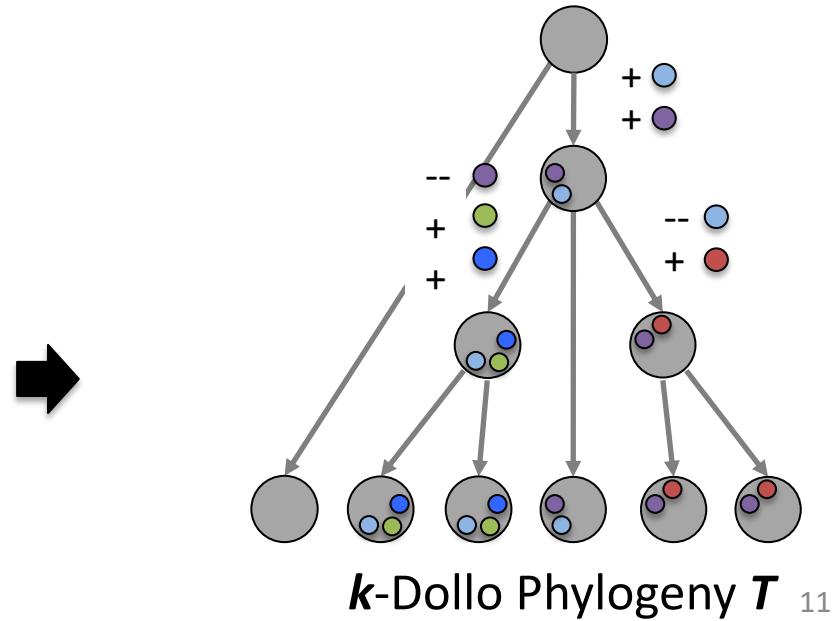
1. There exists a  $k$ -Dollo phylogeny  $T$  for  $B$ .
2. There exists a  $k$ -Dollo completion  $A$  of  $B$ .
3. There exists a  $k$ -completion  $A$  of  $B$ , and perfect phylogeny  $T$  for  $A$  whose characters are consistent with  $S[k]$ .



Input Matrix  $B$



$k$ -Dollo Completion  $A$



$k$ -Dollo Phylogeny  $T$  11

# Forbidden Submatrices in Solutions $A$ to $k$ -DP

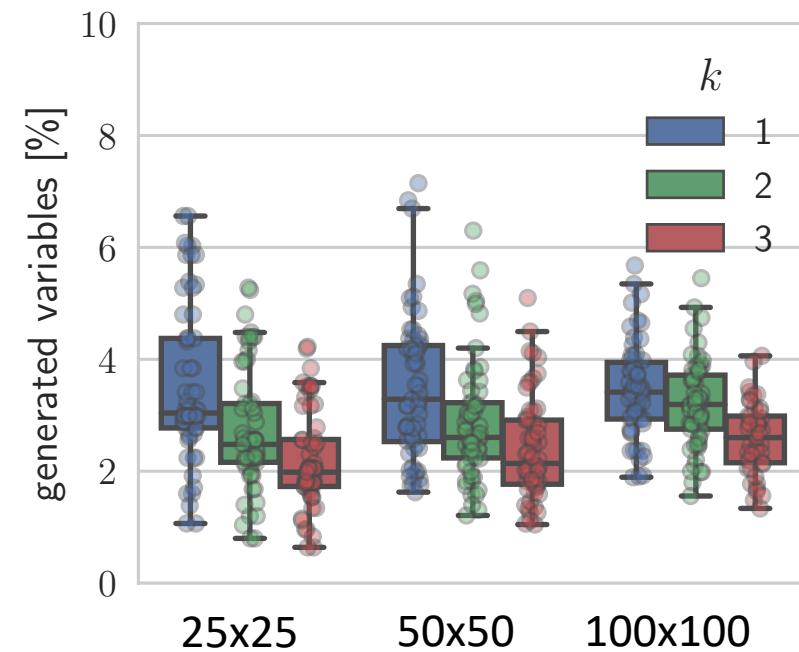
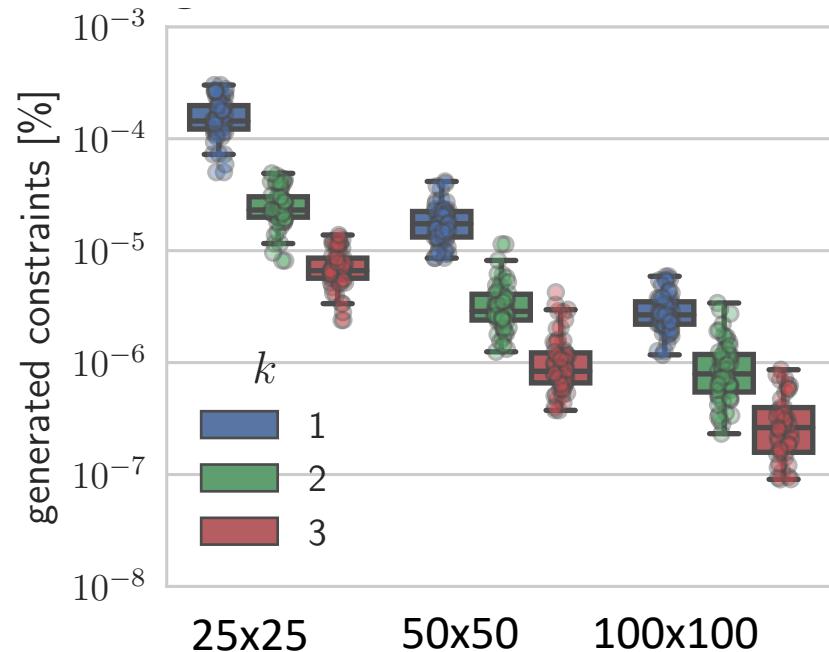
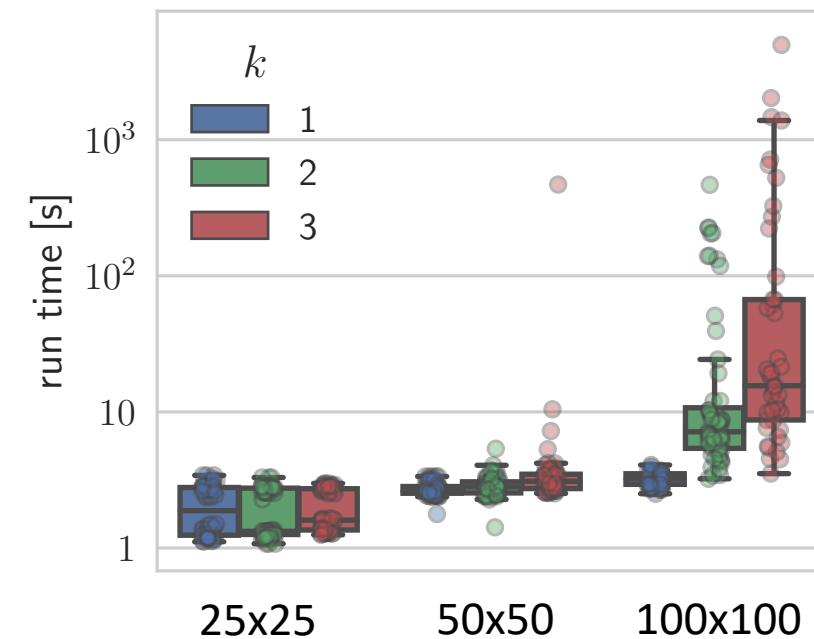
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 & & \boldsymbol{k=1} & & & & & & & 
 \end{array}$$

Number of forbidden submatrices is  $4k^4 + 8k^3 + 8k^2 + 4k + 1$

**Open question:** Hardness of deciding whether  $B$  admits a  $k$ -Dollo completion  $A$

# Results for $k$ -DP

- Naive ILP does not scale and has  $O(mnk)$  variables and  $O(m^3n^2k^4)$  constraints
- Column and cutting plane generation
  - Introduce variables and constraints only when needed
- Simulations with 60 instances for each each  $m$ ,  $n$  and  $k$



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**$k$ -Dollo Phylogeny Flip and Cluster ( $k$ -DPFC) problem.** Given matrix  $D \in \{0, 1, ?\}^{m \times n}$ , error rates  $\alpha, \beta \in [0, 1]$ , integers  $k, s, t \in \mathbb{N}$ , find matrix  $B \in \{0, 1\}^{m \times n}$  and tree  $T$  such that: (1)  $B$  has at most  $s$  unique rows and at most  $t$  unique columns; (2)  $\Pr(D | B, \alpha, \beta)$  is maximum; and (3)  $T$  is a  $k$ -Dollo phylogeny for  $B$ .

$$\Pr(D | B, \alpha, \beta) = \prod_{p=1}^m \prod_{c=1}^n \begin{cases} \alpha, & d_{p,c} = 1 \text{ and } b_{p,c} = 0 \\ 1 - \alpha, & d_{p,c} = 1 \text{ and } b_{p,c} = 1, \\ \beta, & d_{p,c} = 0 \text{ and } b_{p,c} = 1, \\ 1 - \beta, & d_{p,c} = 0 \text{ and } b_{p,c} = 0, \\ 1, & d_{p,c} = ? \end{cases}$$

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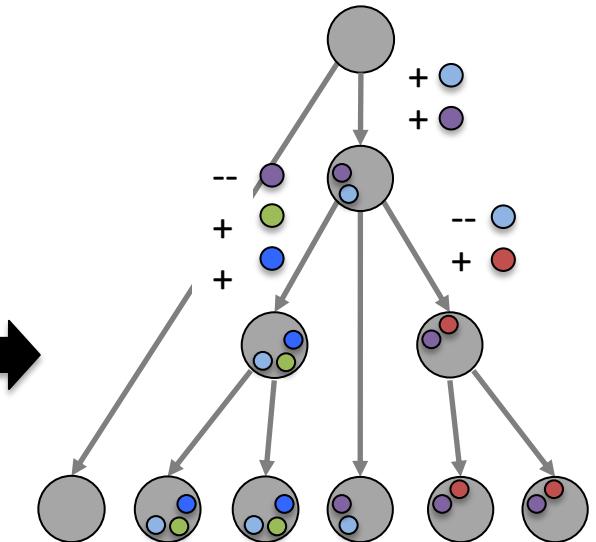
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Binary Matrix  $B$

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$k$ -Dollo Completion  $A$



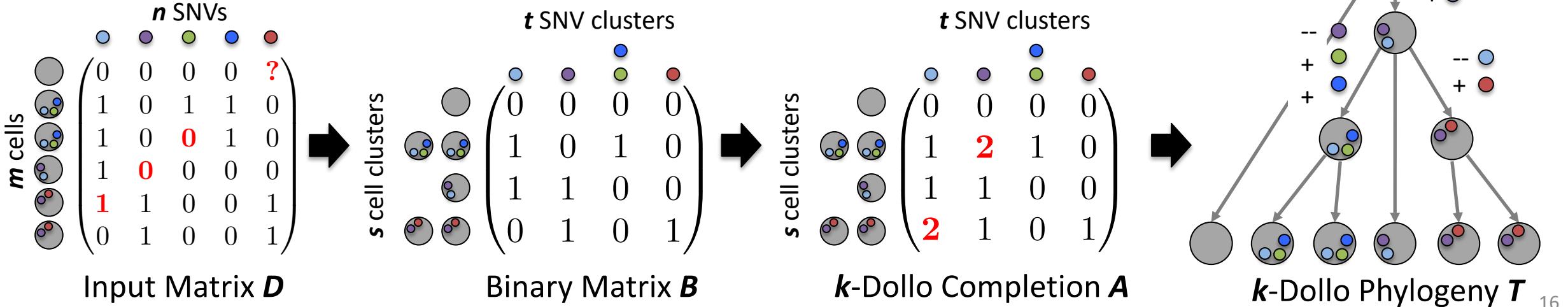
$k$ -Dollo Phylogeny  $T$

# SPhyR: Single-cell Phylogeny Reconstruction

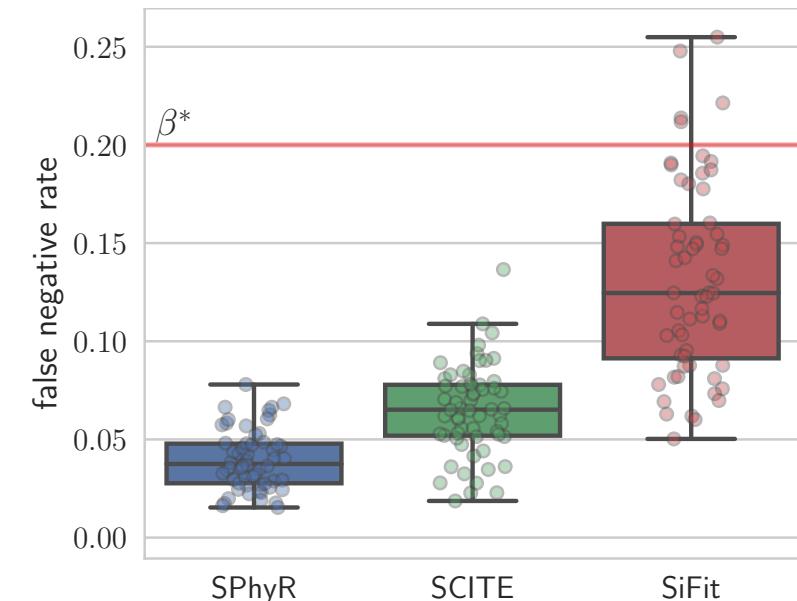
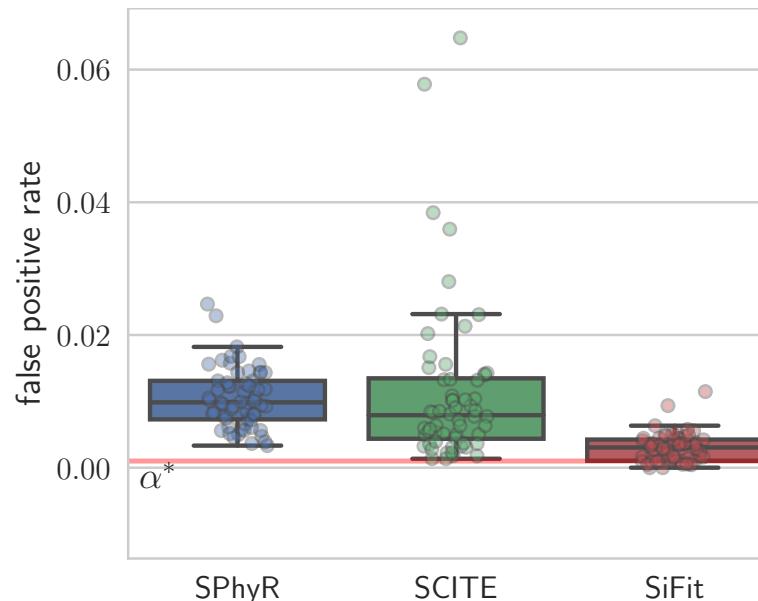
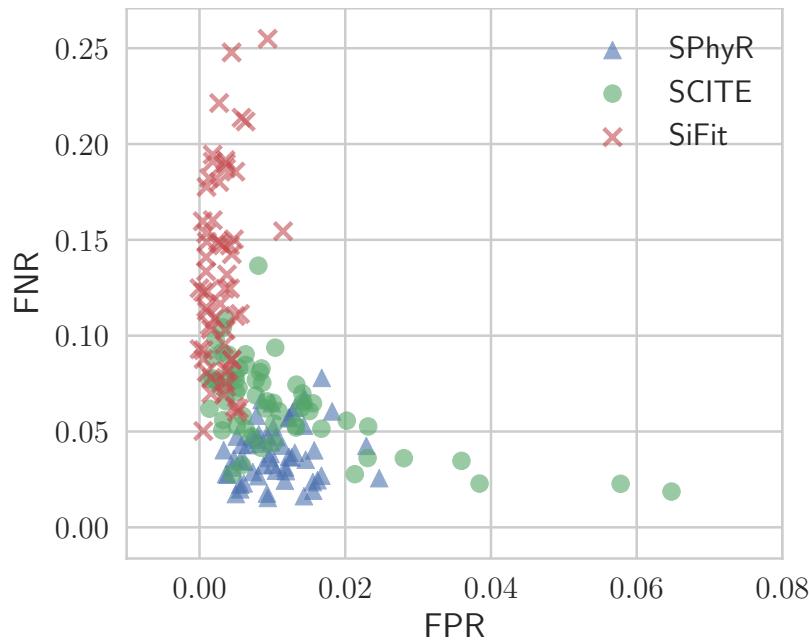
- Coordinate ascent:

1. k-Means with random seed to obtain cell clustering  $\pi$  and SNV clustering  $\psi$
2. ILP to obtain maximum likelihood  $k$ -Dollo completion  $A$  given  $D$ ,  $\pi$  and  $\psi$
3. Identify maximum likelihood  $\pi$  given  $A$  and  $\psi$
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5. Repeat until convergence

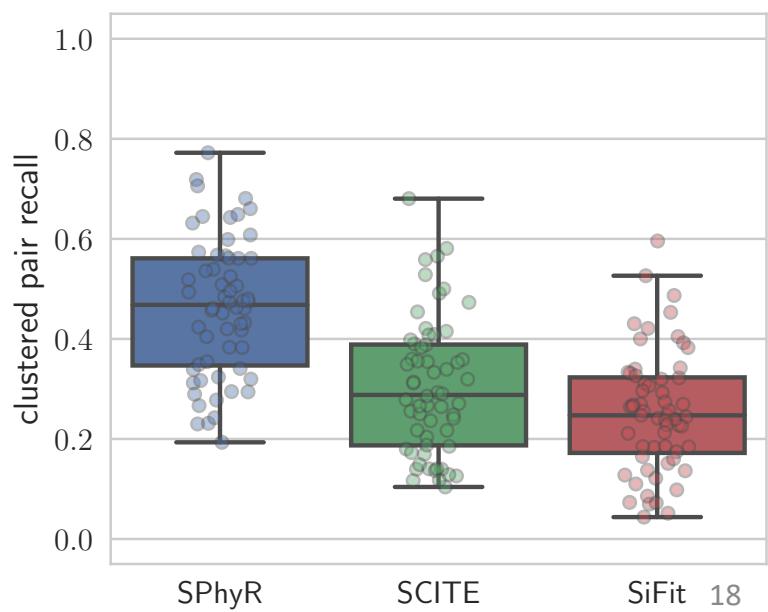
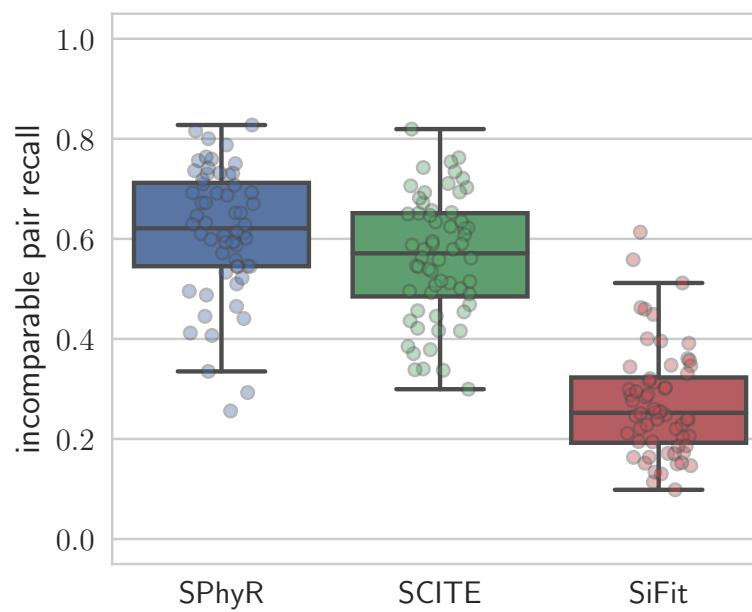
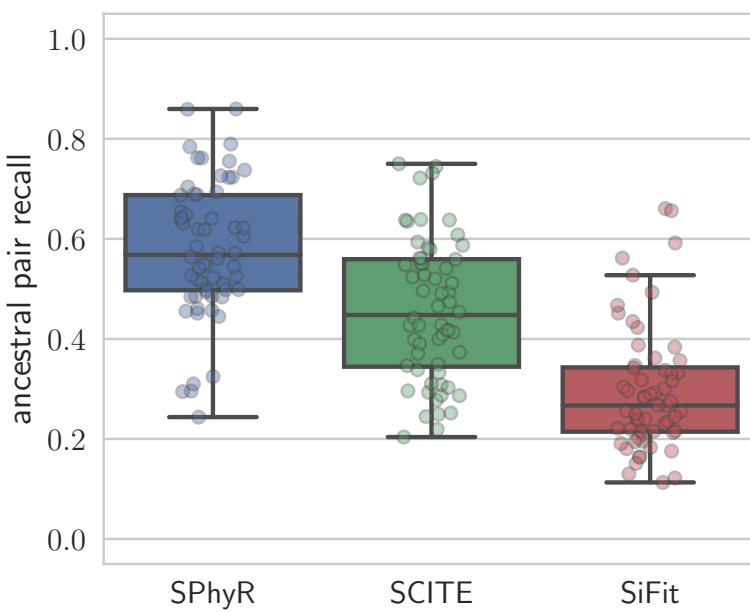
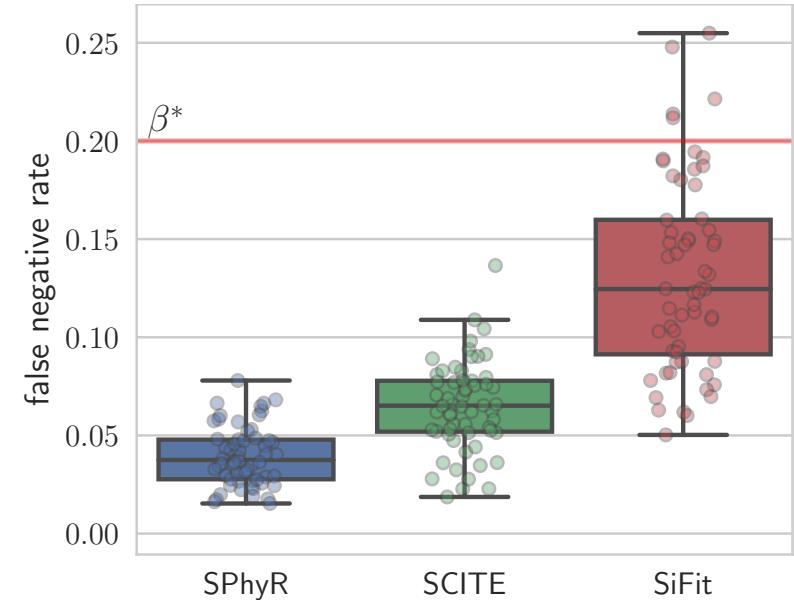
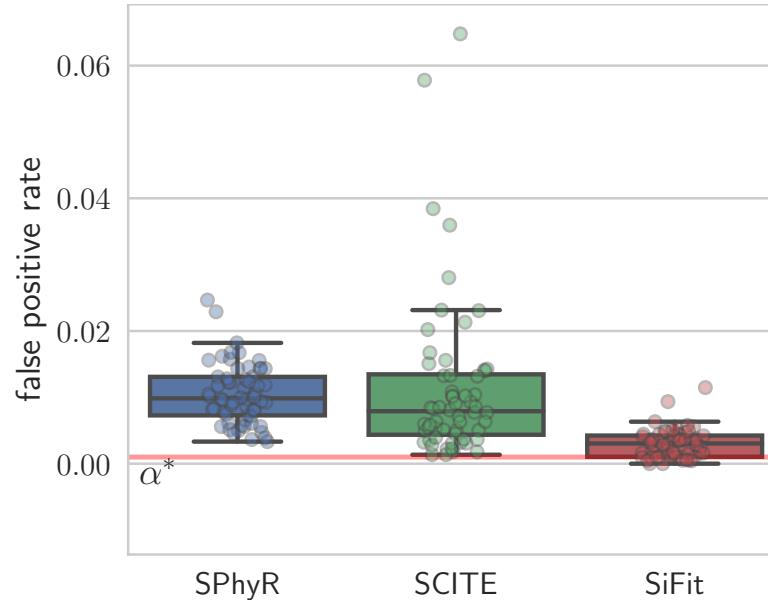
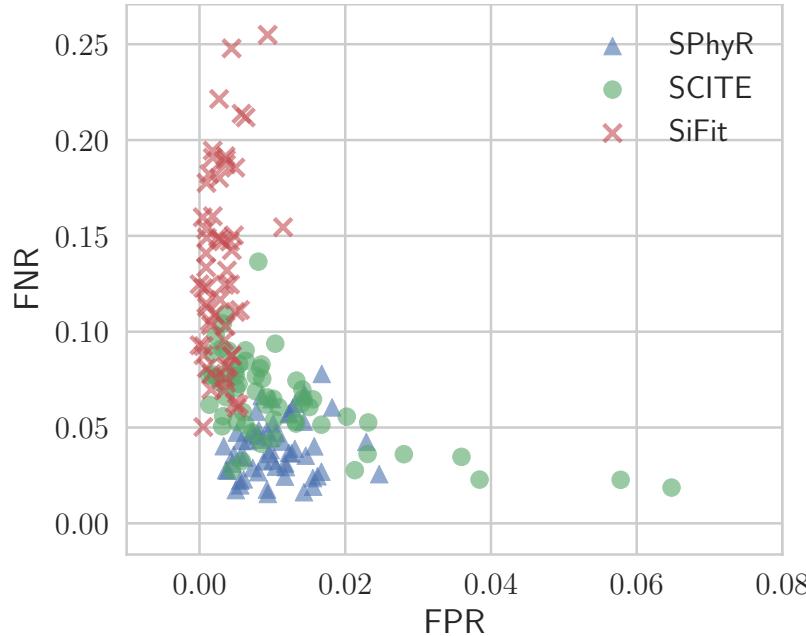
- Available on Github: <https://github.com/elkebir-group/SPhyR>



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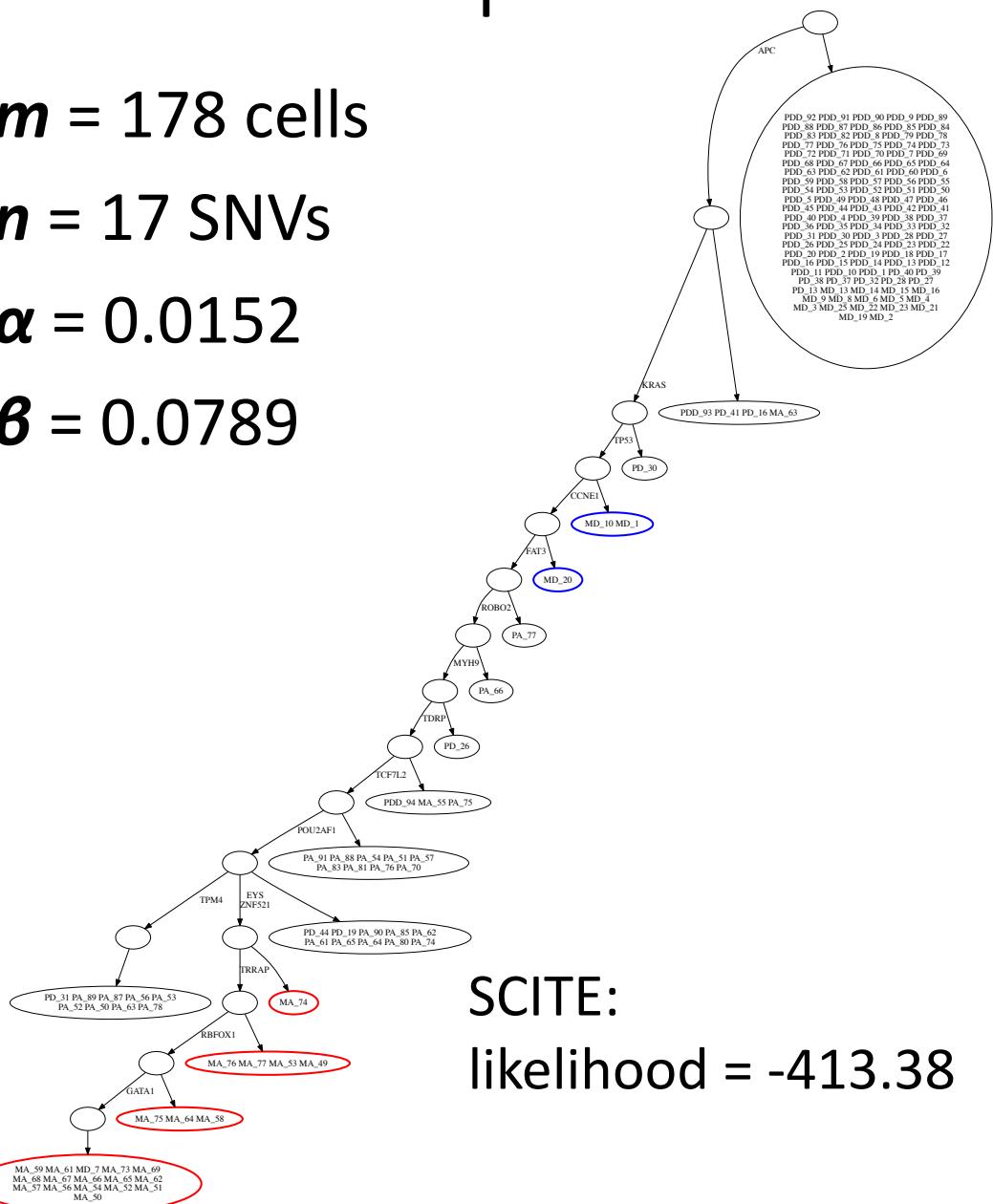
# Colorectal patient CRC1 [Leung et al., 2017]

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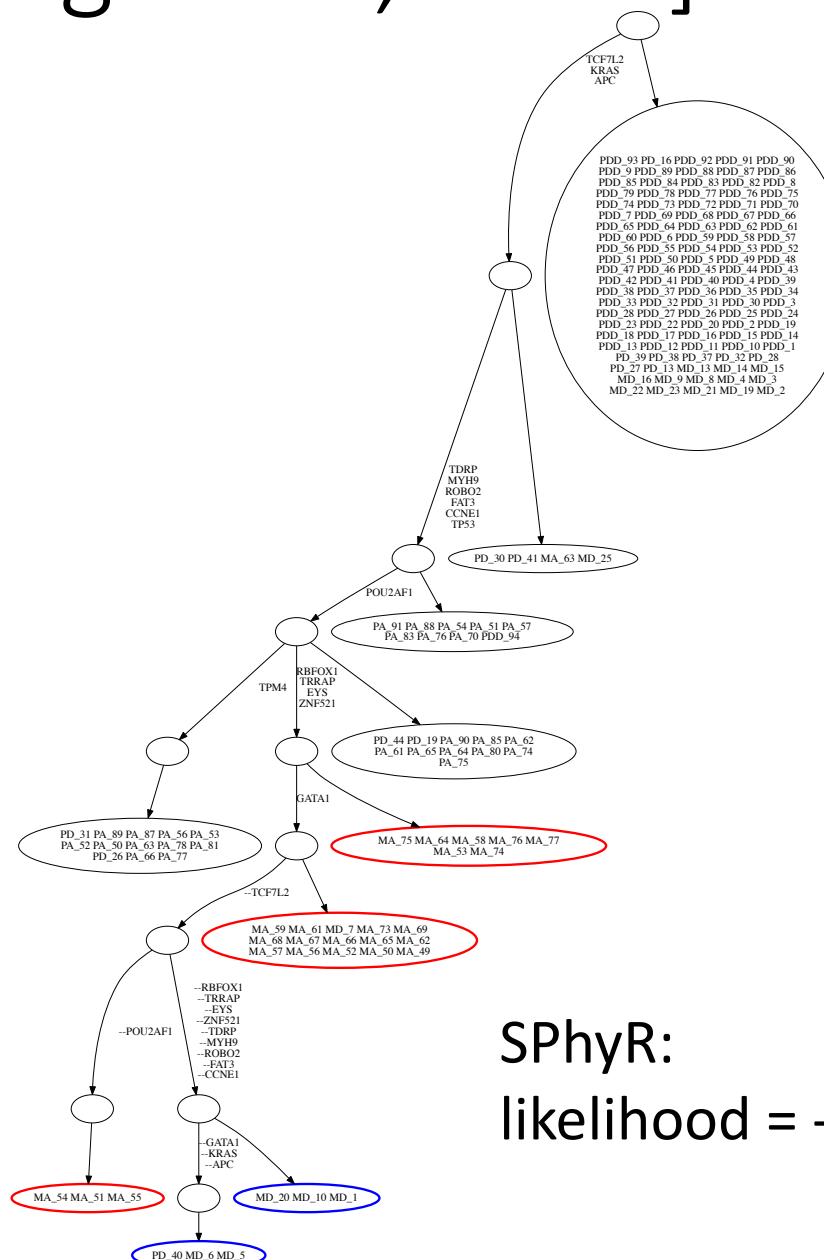
***n* = 17 SNVs**

$$\alpha = 0.0152$$

$$\mathcal{B} = 0.0789$$



SCITE:  
likelihood = -413.38



SPhyR:  
likelihood = -450.70

# Conclusions

- $k$ -Dollo parsimony model strikes a balance between realistic and yet sufficiently constrained
- Solutions are integer matrix completions
- SPhyR outperformed existing methods

Future work:

- Include  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  into optimization
- Model selection for  $s$ ,  $t$  and  $k$
- Hardness is open

