

# Multiple Alignments and Phylogenies

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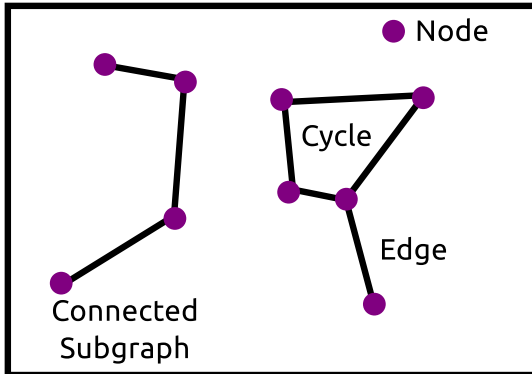
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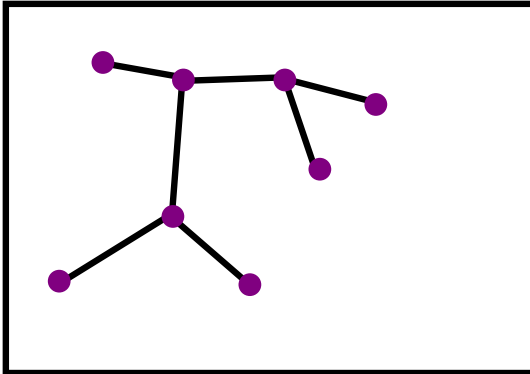
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- Xenologs** homologs arising from horizontal transfer.
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## Graph



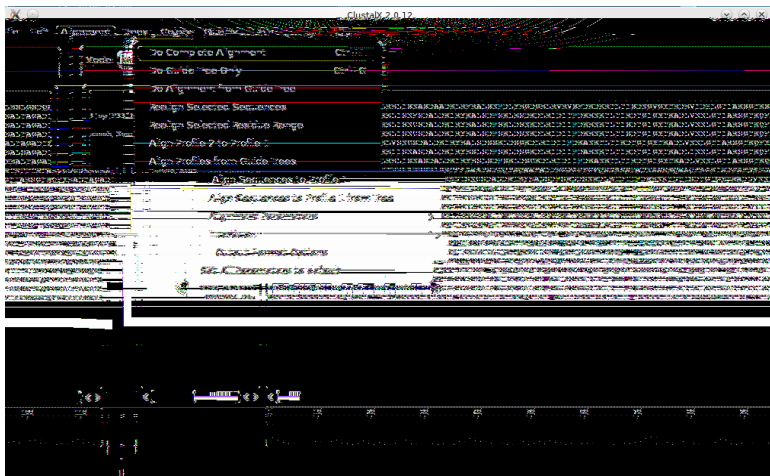
Tree = Connected Graph with no Cycles



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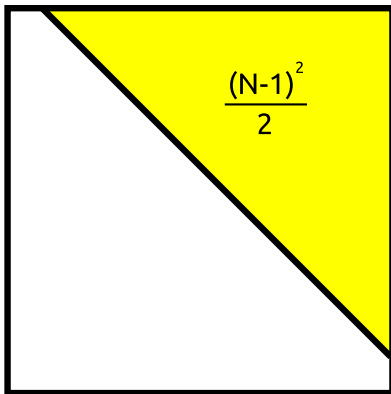
# Evolution implies a self-consistent model



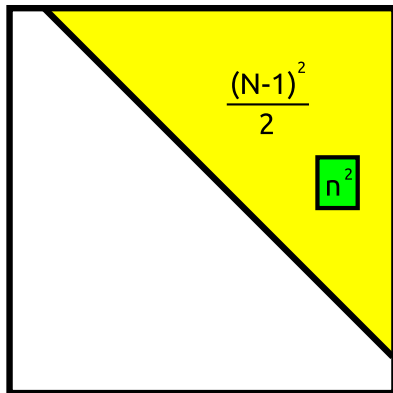
Distances  
(Pairwise relationships)

Topology  
(Evolutionary history)

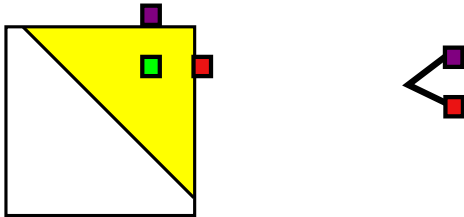
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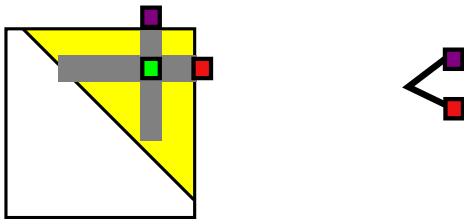
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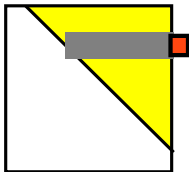
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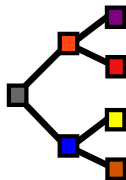
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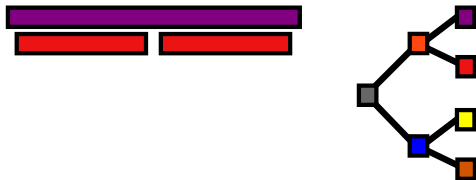


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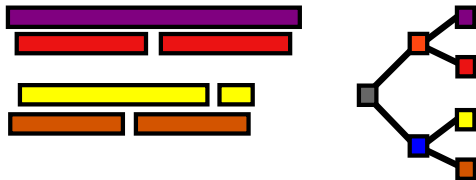




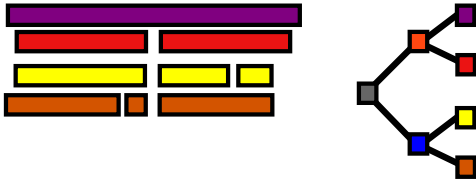
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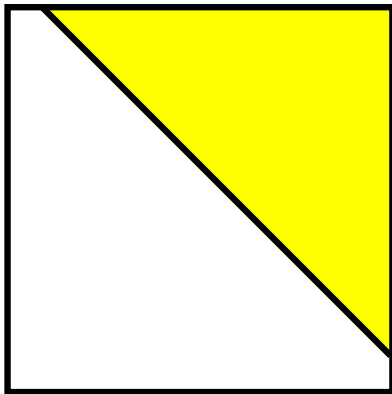
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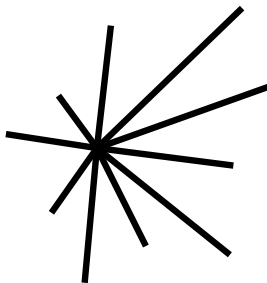
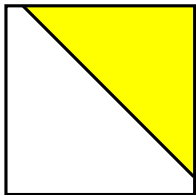
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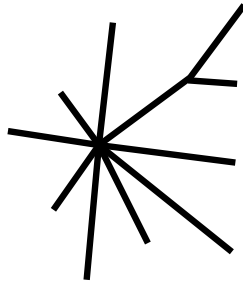
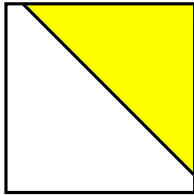
# Measure distances directly from the alignment



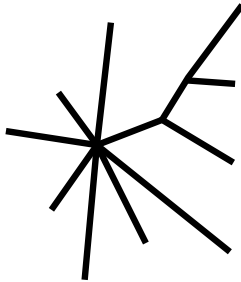
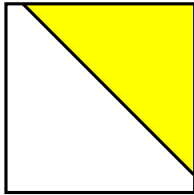
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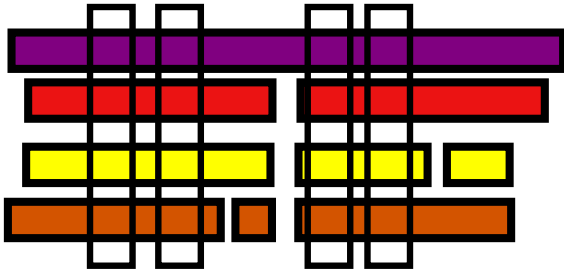
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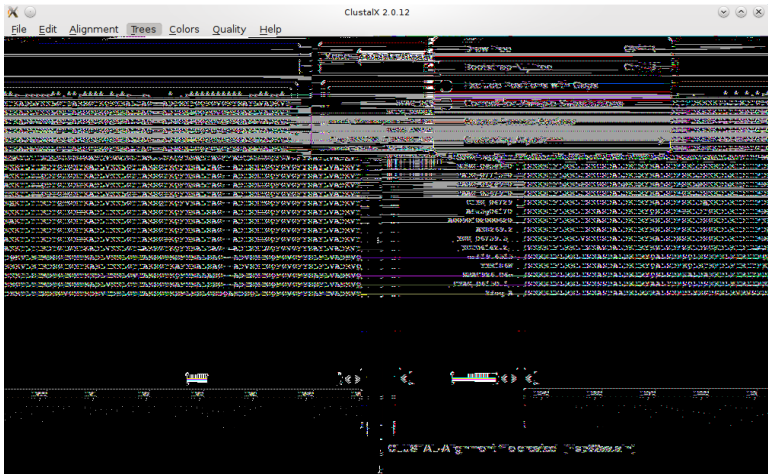


# Generate bootstrap values from subsets of the alignment





# Generating a neighbor joining tree in CLUSTALX



# Viewing the alignment and tree in JALVIEW

The screenshot displays the JALVIEW software interface. At the top, the title bar reads "jalview 2.3". Below it is a menu bar with "File Tools Help Window". The main window title is "Overview /home/mvoorhies/data/Sinem/Antibodies\_2\_11\_2010/Hsp82aa.aln". A small color-coded bar chart is visible in the top right corner of the overview window.

The main window shows a multiple sequence alignment of 19 amino acid positions (1820-1890). The alignment is displayed as a grid of colored letters. The first few rows are highlighted in light blue. The amino acid sequence shown is: `...MSS...E F E F O A E I S D L S L I I N T V Y S N K E I F L R E I I N S C D A L D K I R Y E A L S D P S K L D S N K D L R I D I I P D K E N K T L`.

On the right side, a phylogenetic tree is displayed, showing the evolutionary relationships between the sequences. The tree is rooted and shows a clear branching pattern. The sequences are color-coded to match the alignment.

At the bottom of the main window, there is a detailed view of the alignment, showing the full sequence for each protein. The sequences are color-coded by amino acid type: A (green), C (blue), D (red), E (yellow), F (orange), G (purple), H (pink), I (grey), K (cyan), L (brown), M (olive), N (light blue), P (dark blue), Q (light green), R (red), S (yellow), T (orange), V (grey), W (purple), Y (pink).

- Multiple Alignment
  - T-Coffee
  - MUSCLE
  - COBALT
- Tree building
  - MrBayes (Bayesian MCMC)
  - PhyML (maximum likelihood)

# Searching with PSI-BLAST

Protein BLAST: search databases using a protein query - Mozilla Firefox

File Edit View History Bookmarks Tools Help

http://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/blast/Blast.cgi?CMD=Web&PAGE=Proteins&PR psi-blast

Protein BLAST: search databa...

Or, upload file  Browse...

Job Title   
Enter a descriptive title for your BLAST search

Align two or more sequences

Choose Search Set

Database

Organism   
Optional  
Enter organism common name, binomial, or tax id. Only 20 top taxa will be shown. Exclude

Exclude  Models (X/M/XP)  Uncultured/environmental sample sequences  
Optional

Entrez Query   
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Enter an Entrez query to limit search

Program Selection

Algorithm

blastp (protein-protein BLAST)

PSI-BLAST (Position-Specific Iterated BLAST)

PHI-BLAST (Pattern Hit Initiated BLAST)

Choose a BLAST algorithm

**BLAST** Search using PSI-BLAST (Position-Specific Iterated BLAST)

Show results in a new window

[Algorithm parameters](#)

Done

- Play with CLUSTALX, JALVIEW, and PSI-BLAST
- Read PLoS Comp. Biol. 4:e1000069