

Scalable Visual Comparison of Biological Trees and Sequences

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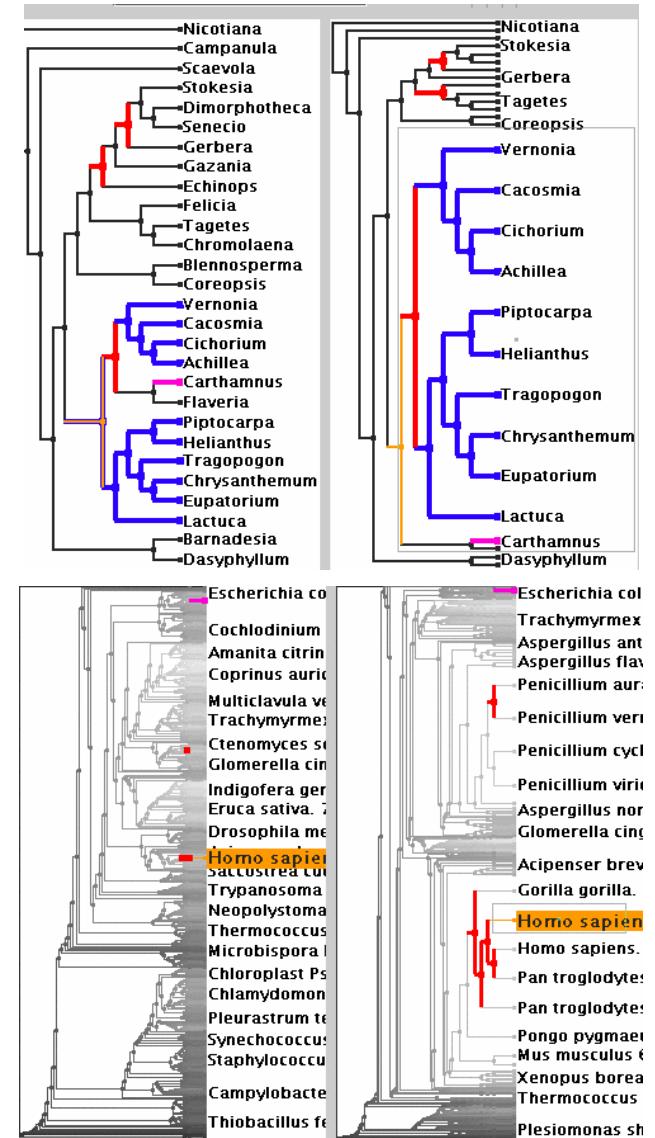


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 - information visualization technique
- TreeJuxtaposer
 - tree comparison
- SequenceJuxtaposer
 - sequence comparison
- PRISAD
 - generic accordion drawing framework

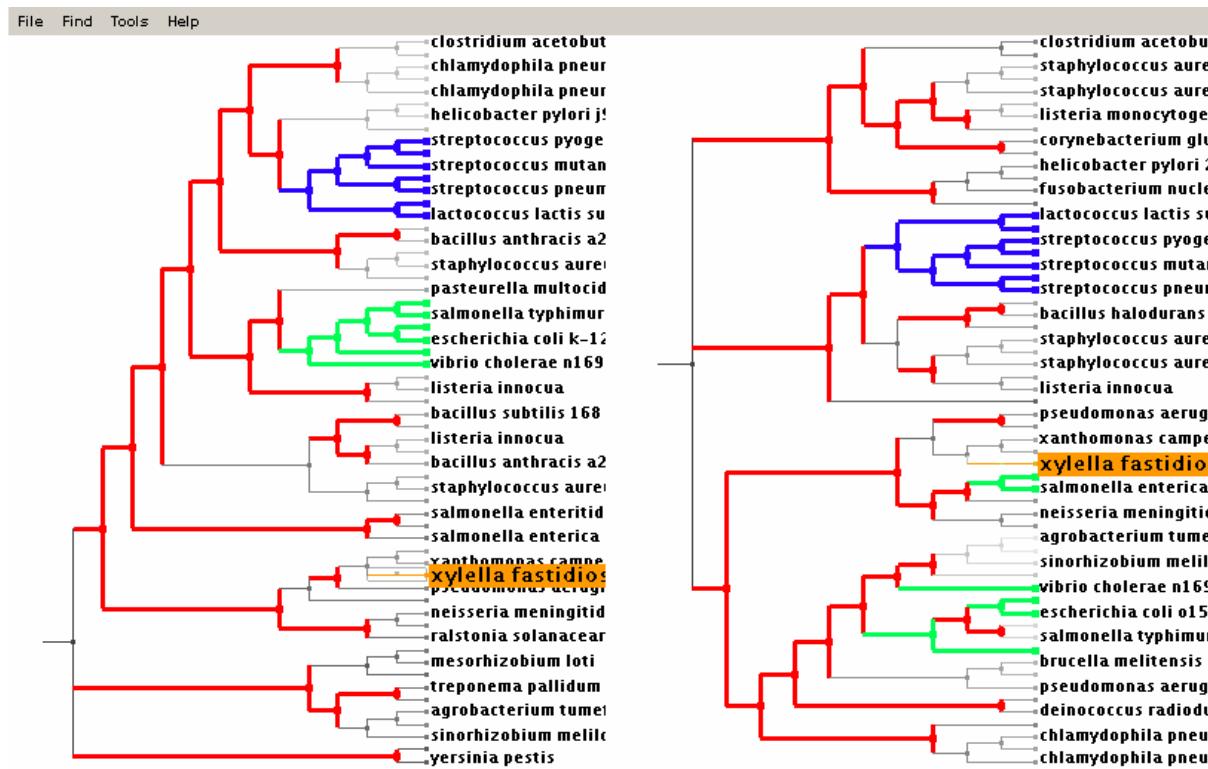
Accordion Drawing

- rubber-sheet navigation
 - stretch out part of surface, the rest squishes
 - borders nailed down
 - Focus+Context technique
 - integrated overview, details
 - old idea
 - [Sarkar et al 93], [Robertson et al 91]
- guaranteed visibility
 - marks always visible
 - important for scalability
 - new idea
 - [Munzner et al 03]



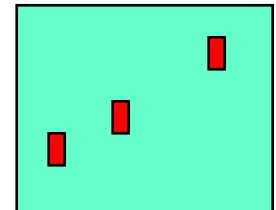
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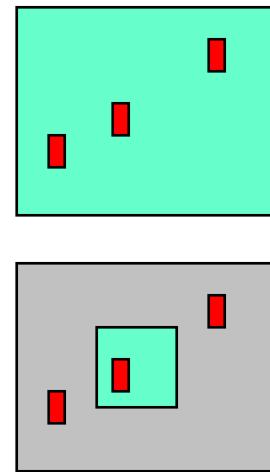
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- reasons a mark could be invisible



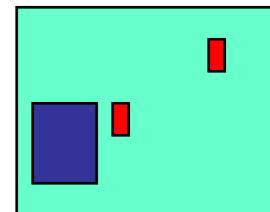
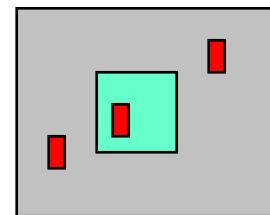
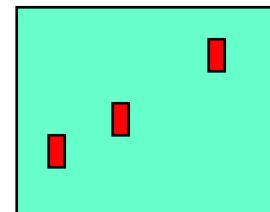
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 - AD solution: constrained navigation



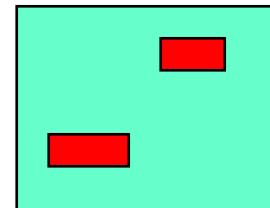
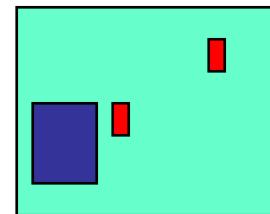
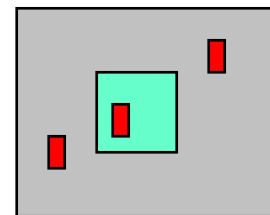
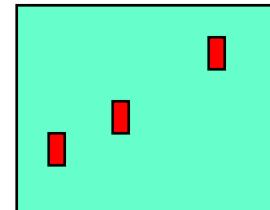
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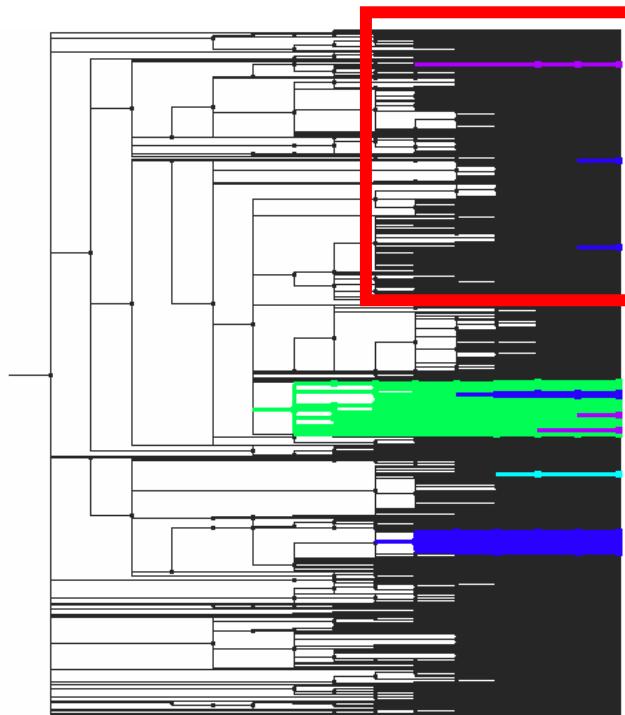
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 - smaller than a pixel
 - AD solution: smart culling

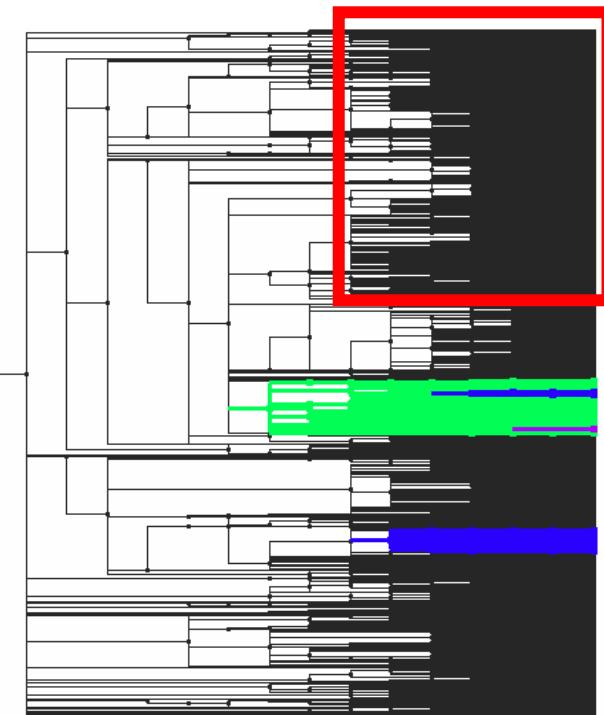


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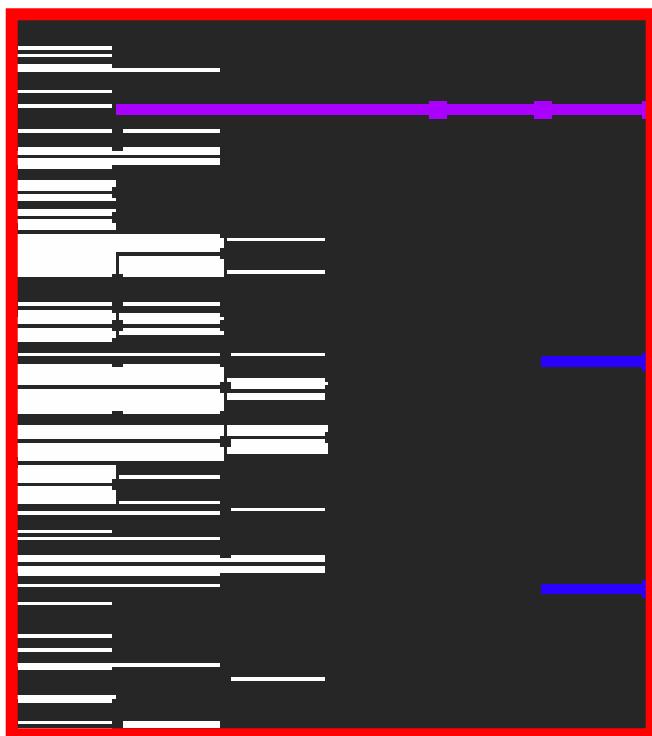
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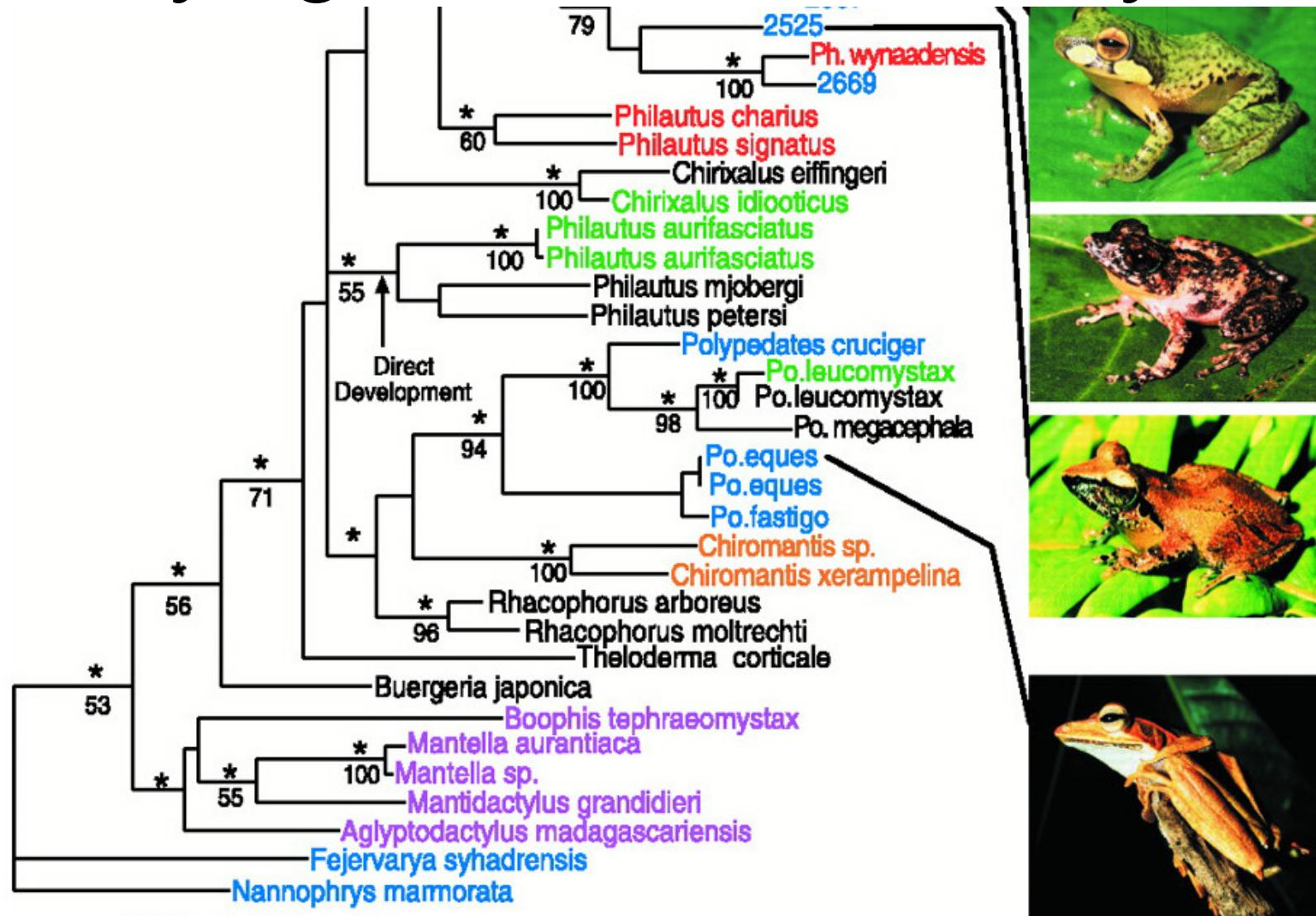


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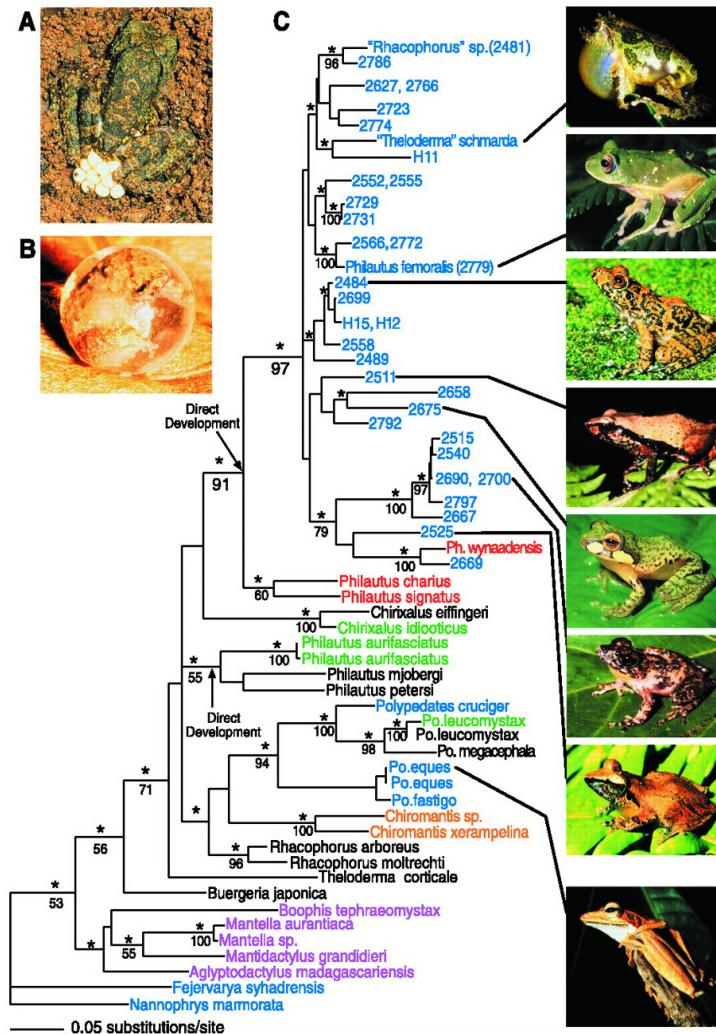
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Phylogenetic/Evolutionary Tree



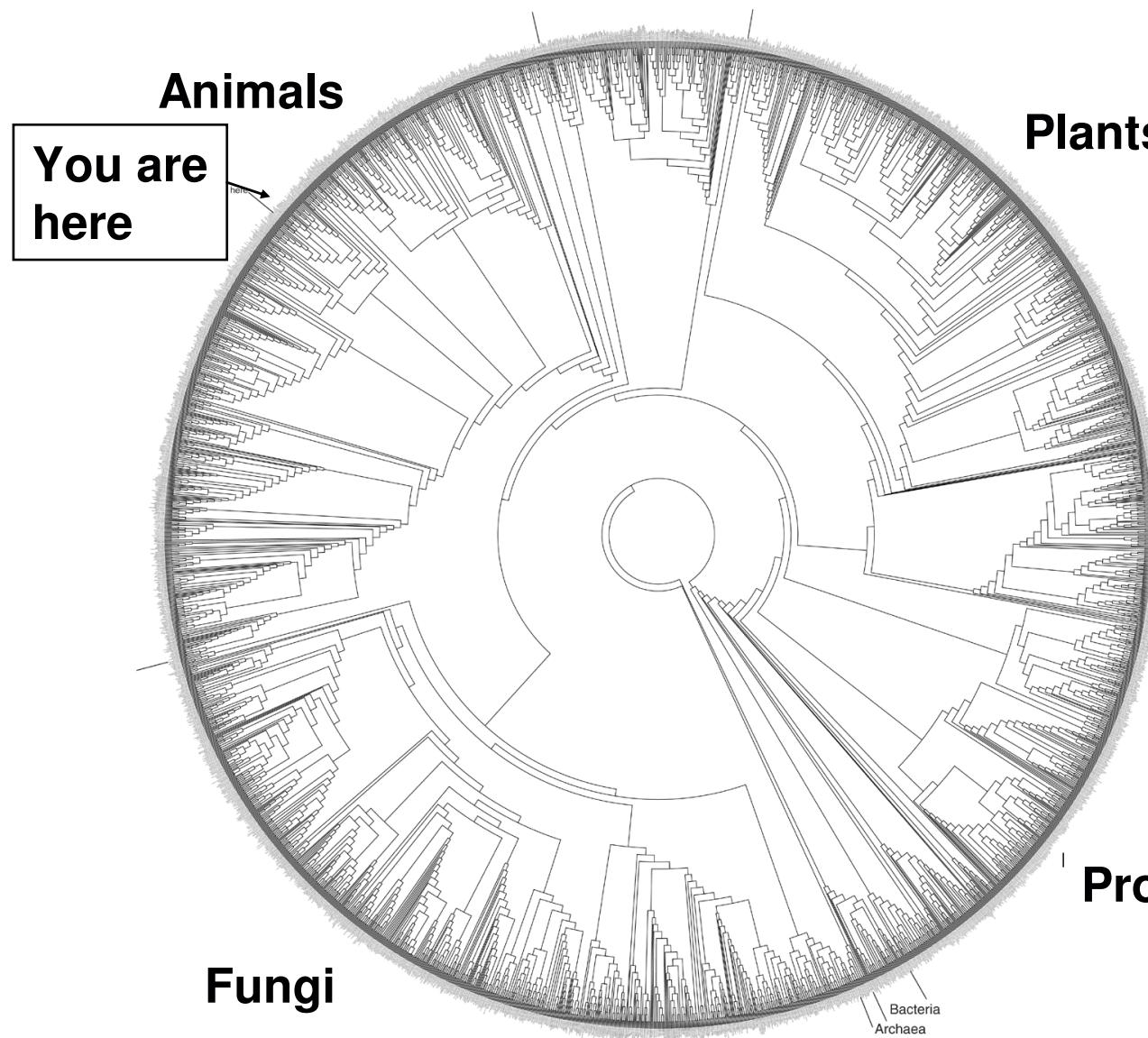
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Common Dataset Size Today



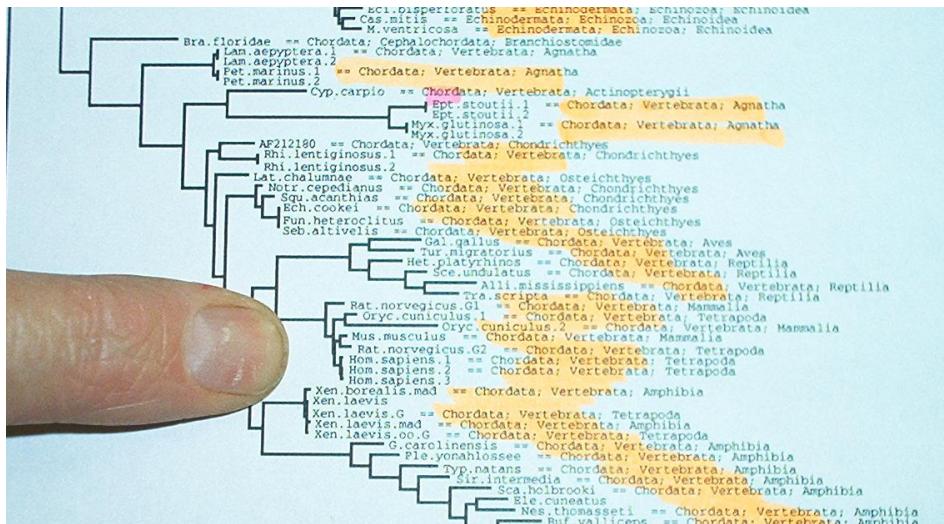
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Future Goal: 10M node Tree of Life

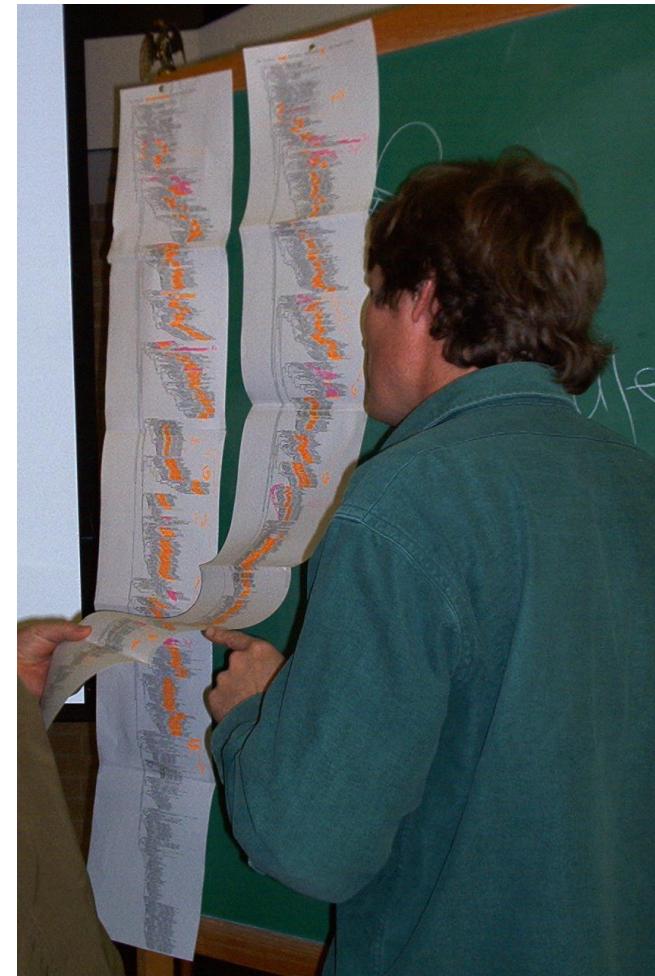


Paper Comparison: Multiple Trees

focus

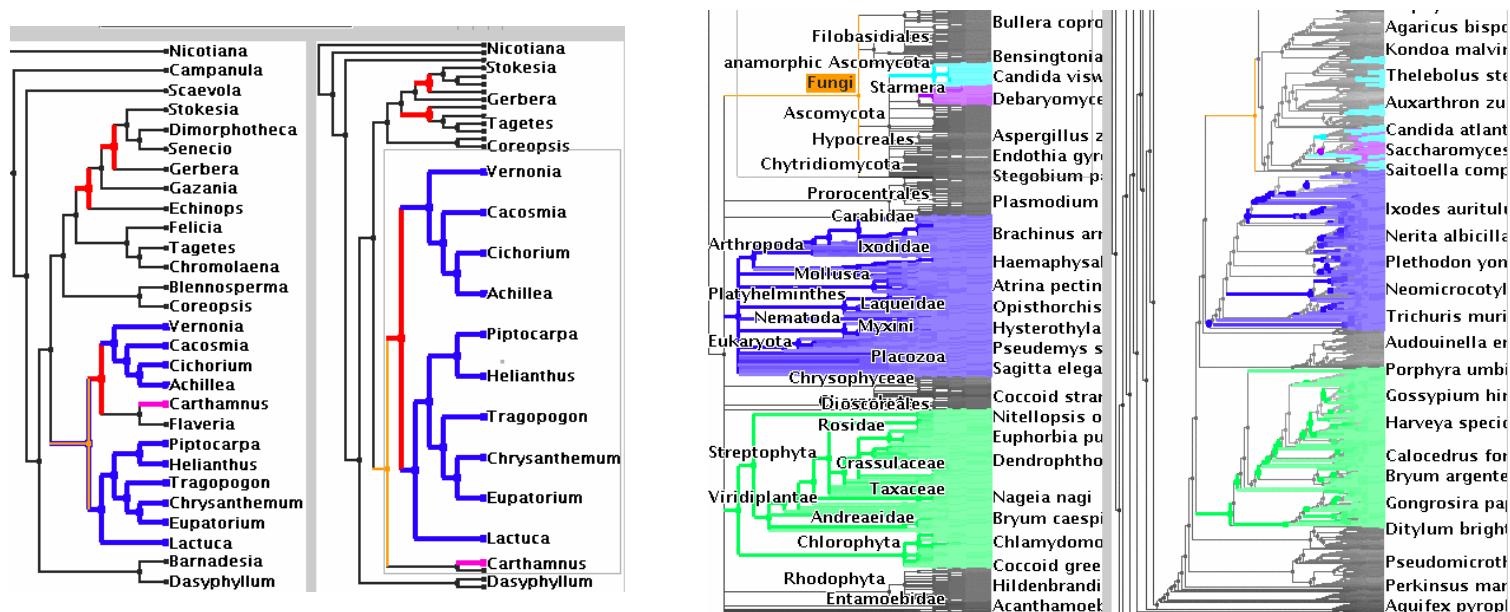


context



TreeJuxtaposer

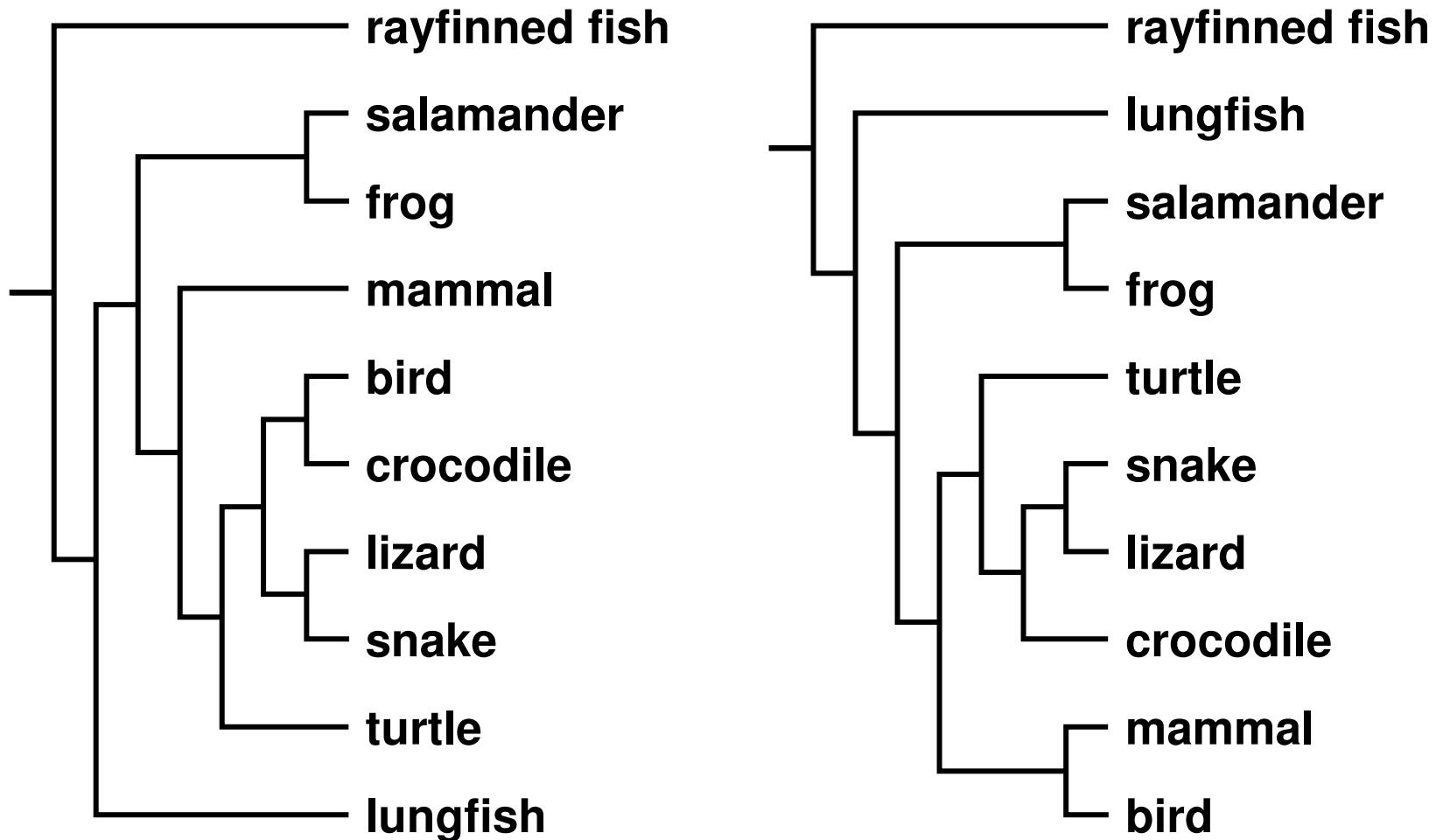
- side by side comparison of evolutionary trees
- [video]
 - video/software downloadable from <http://olduvai.sf.net/tj>



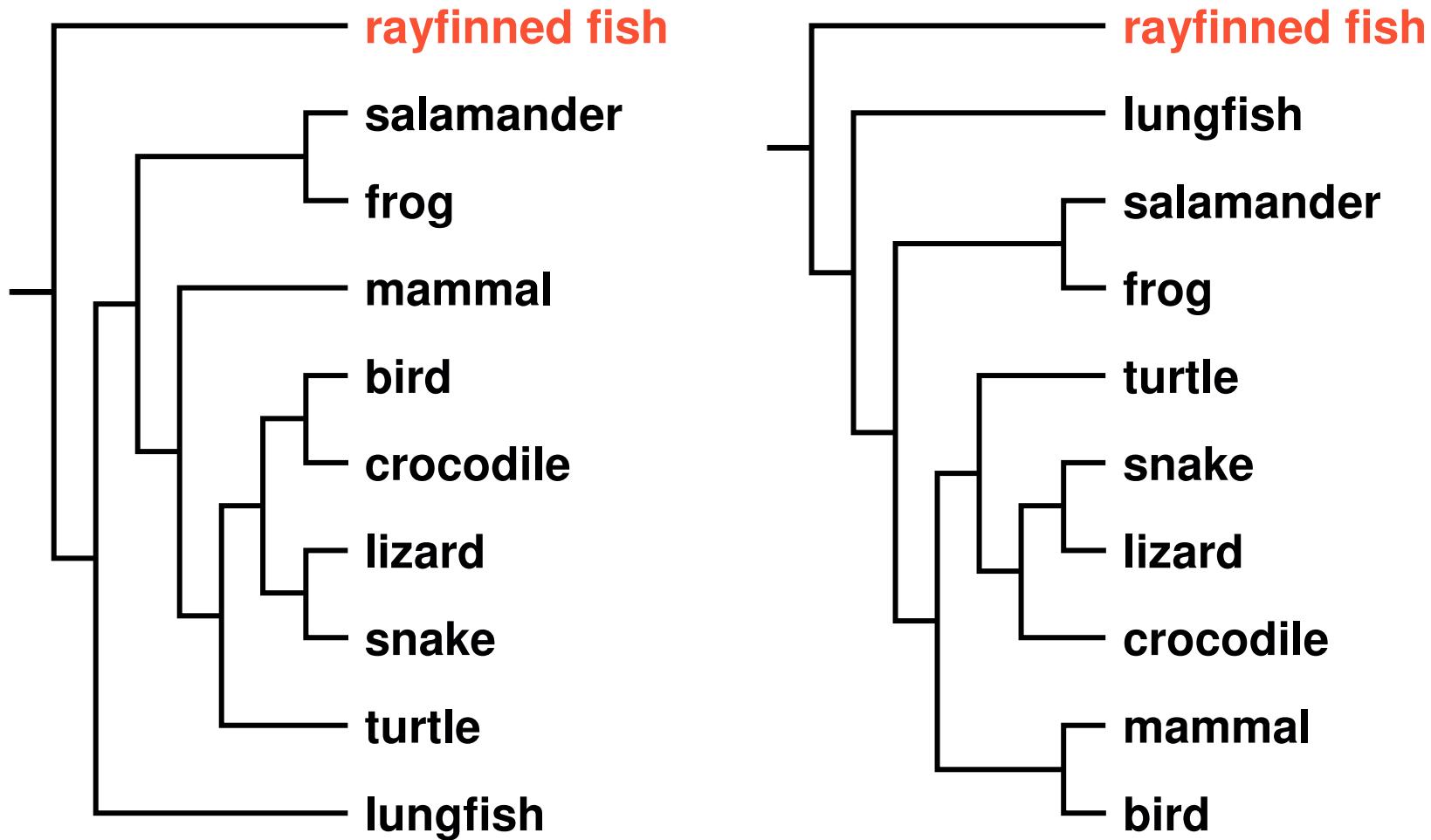
TJ Contributions

- first interactive tree comparison system
 - automatic structural difference computation
 - guaranteed visibility of marked areas
- scalable to large datasets
 - 250,000 to 500,000 total nodes
 - all preprocessing subquadratic
 - all realtime rendering sublinear
- scalable to large displays (4000 x 2000)
- introduced
 - guaranteed visibility, accordion drawing

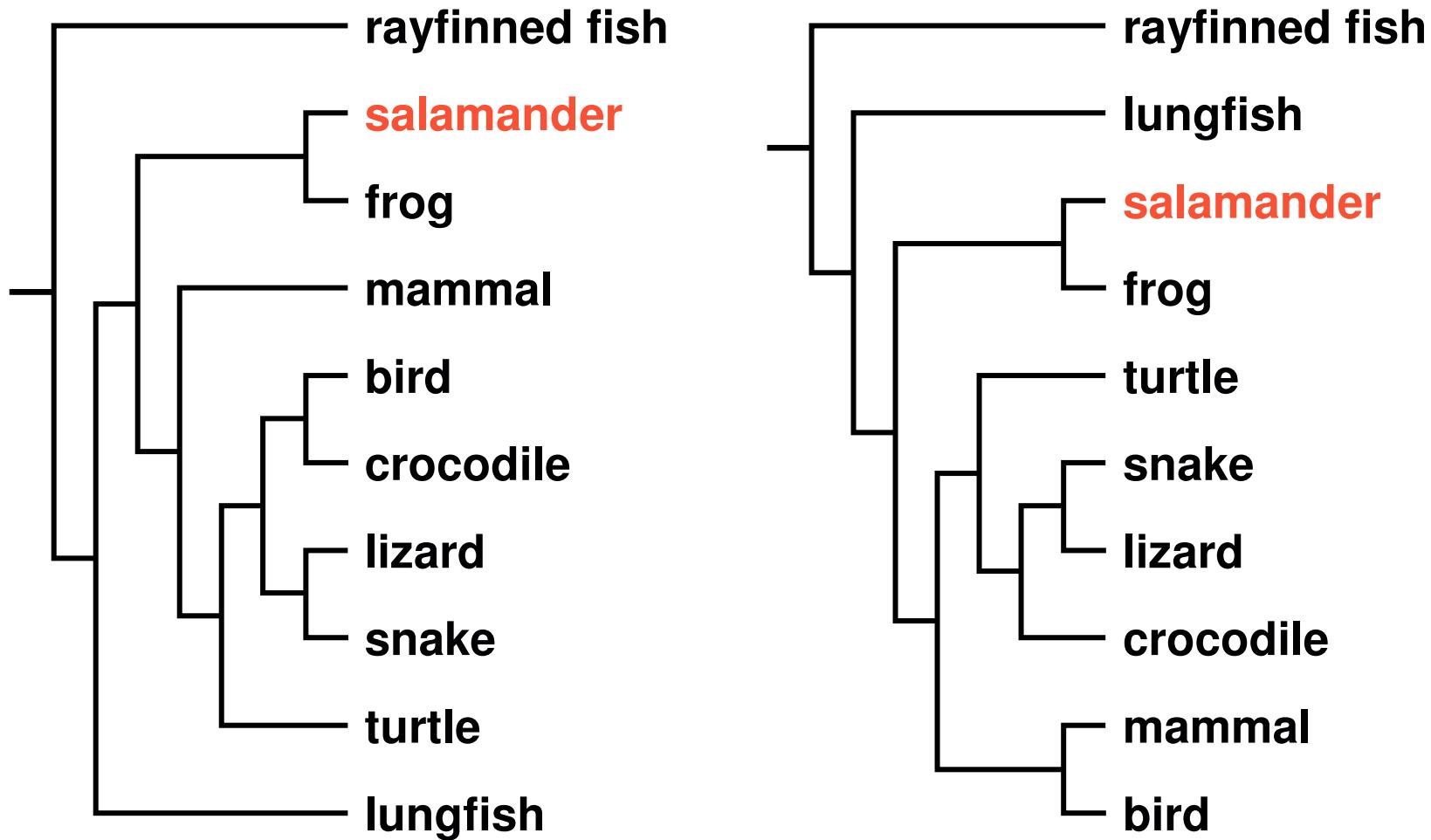
Structural Comparison



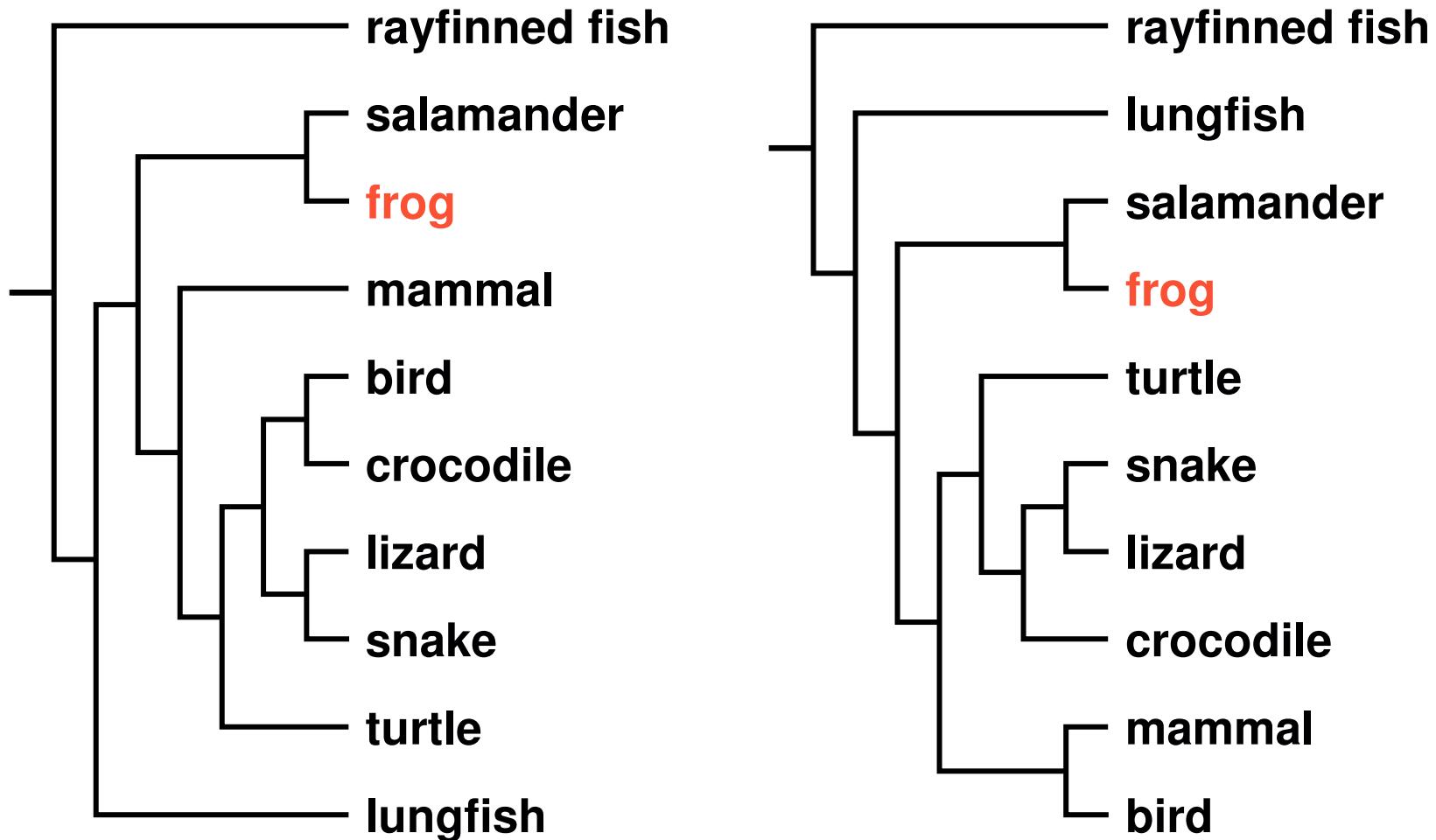
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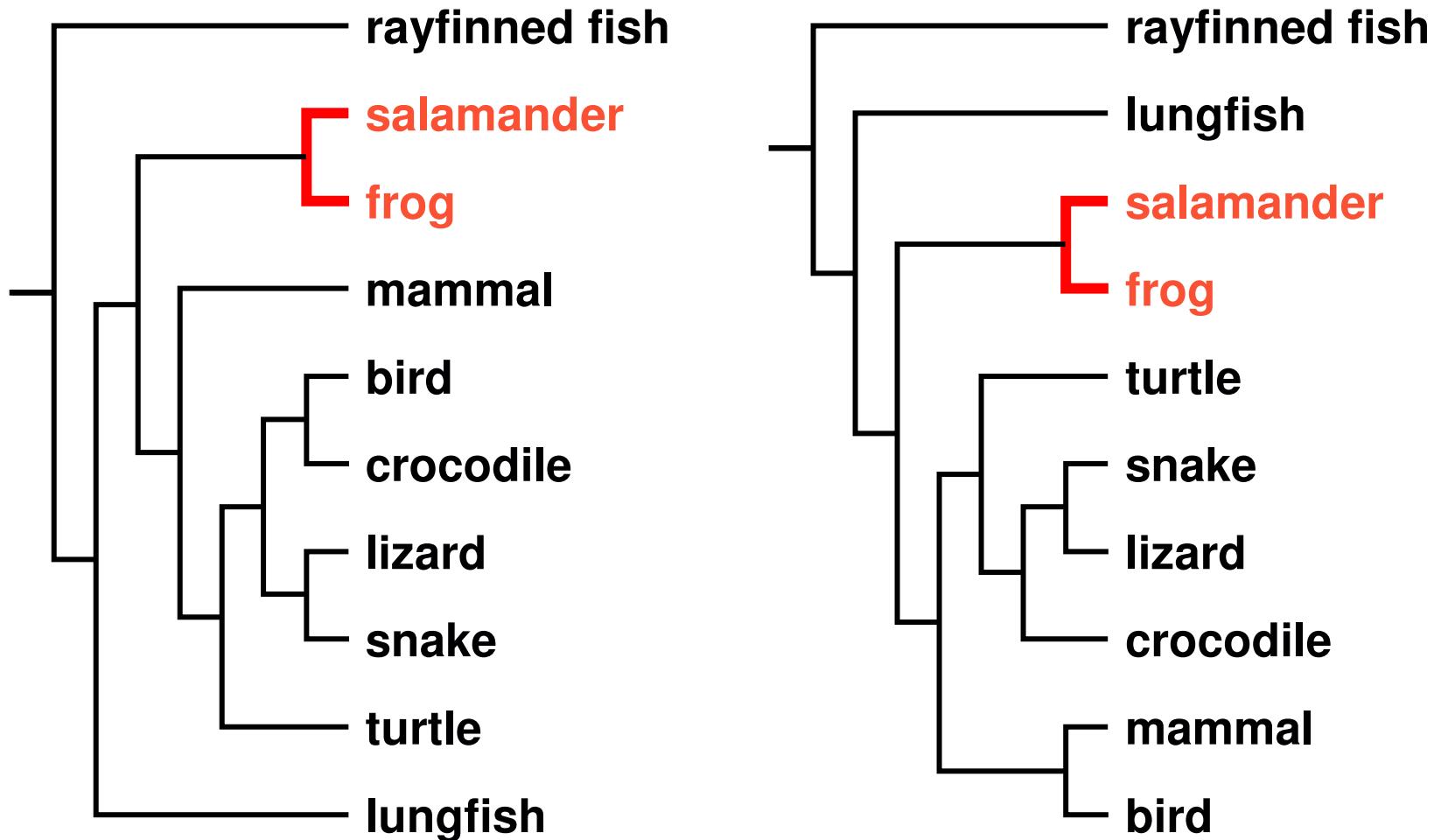
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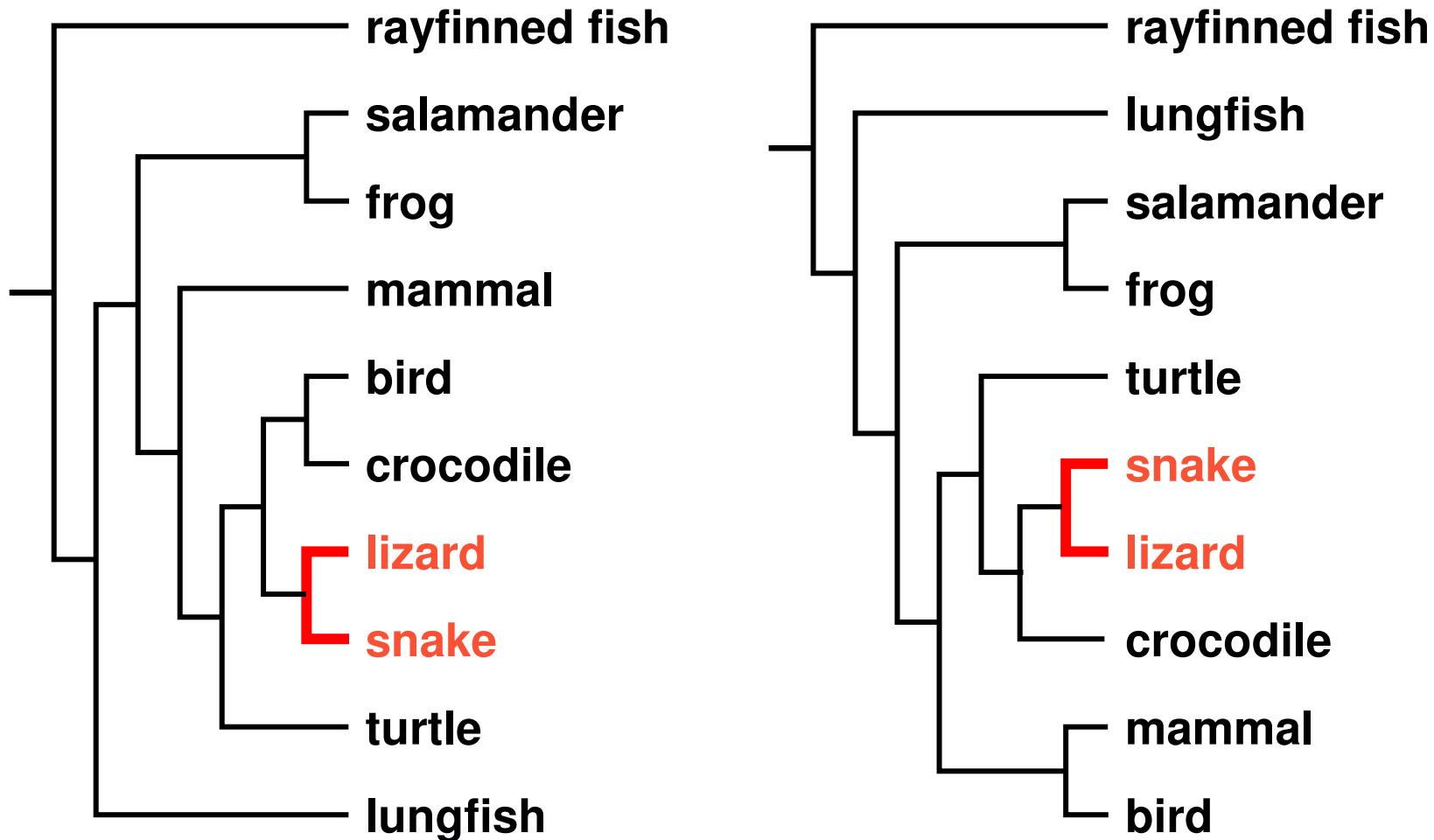
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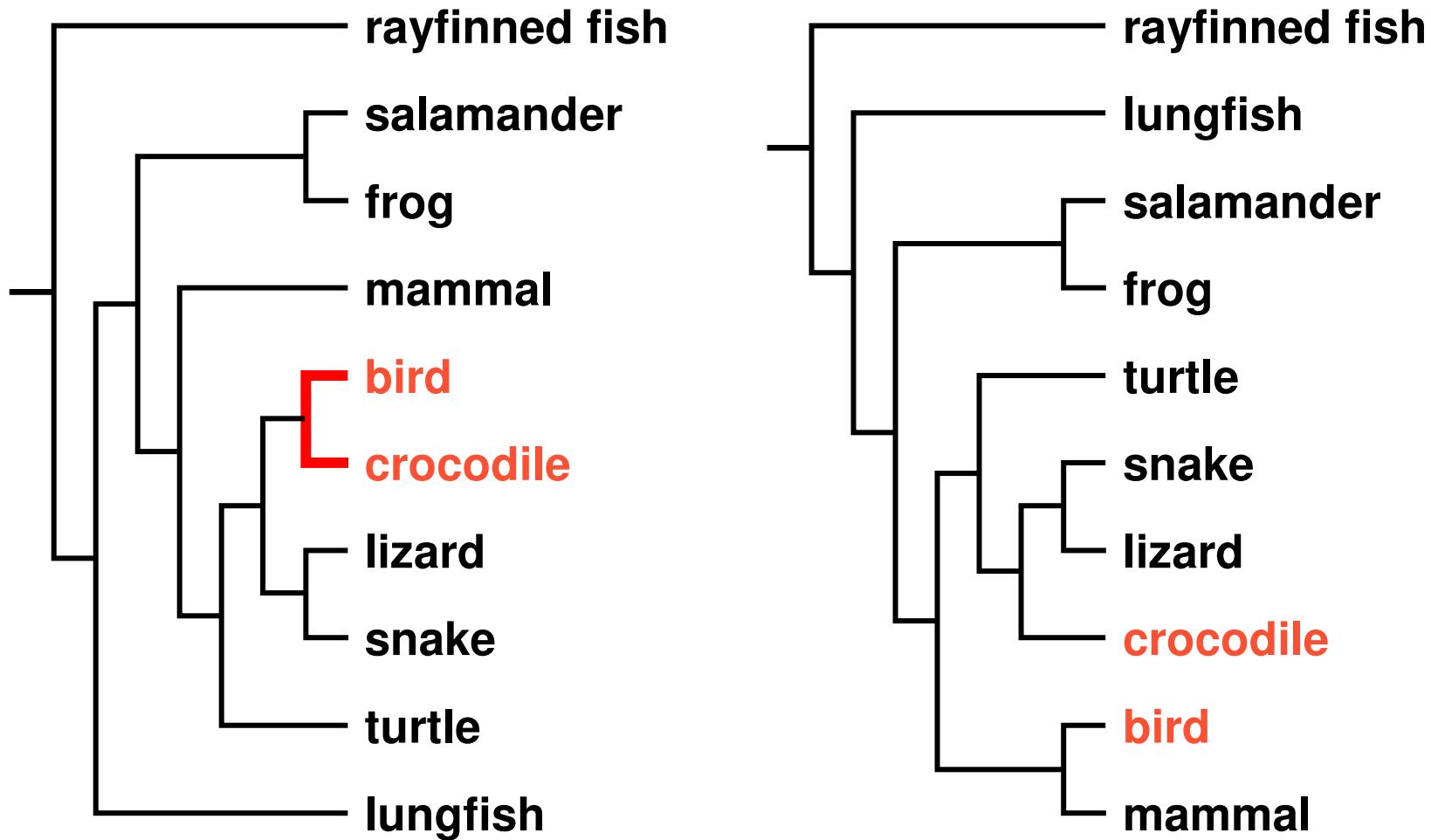
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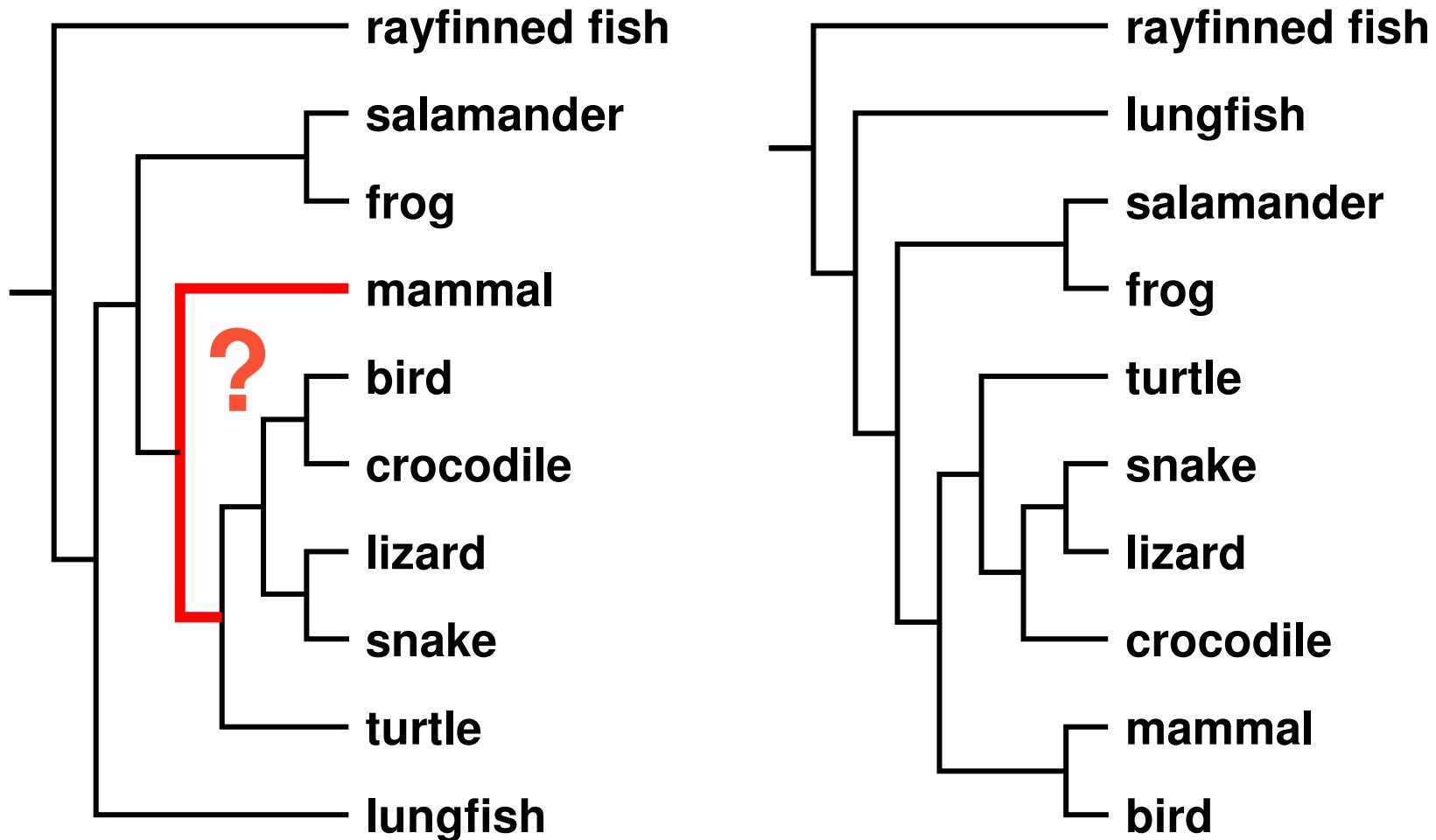
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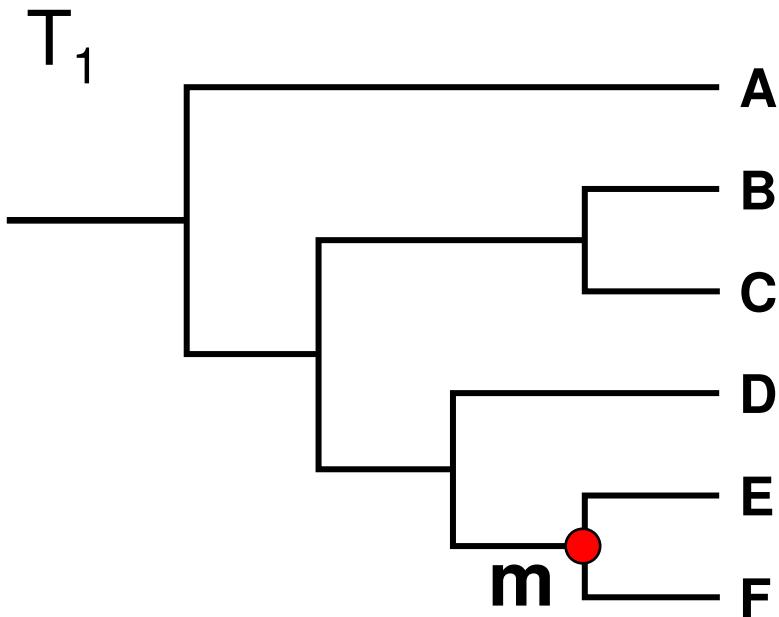
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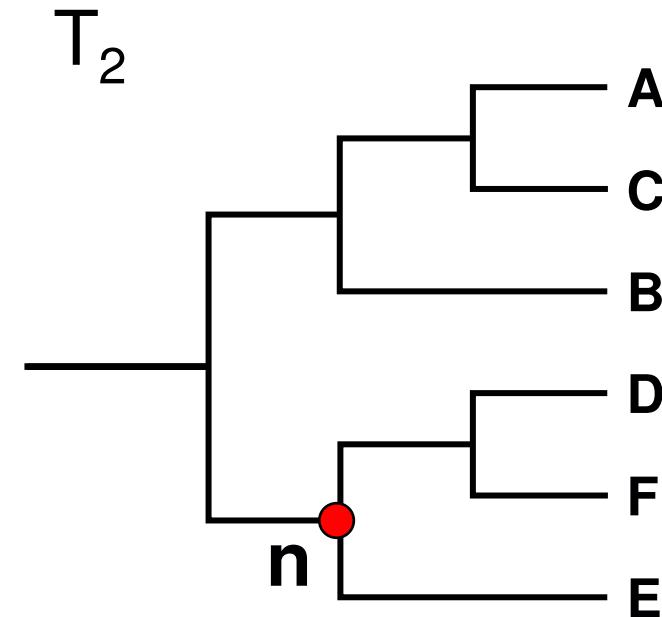
Previous Work

- tree comparison
 - RF distance [Robinson and Foulds 81]
 - perfect node matching [Day 85]
 - creation/deletion [Chi and Card 99]
 - leaves only [Graham and Kennedy 01]

Similarity Score: $S(m,n)$



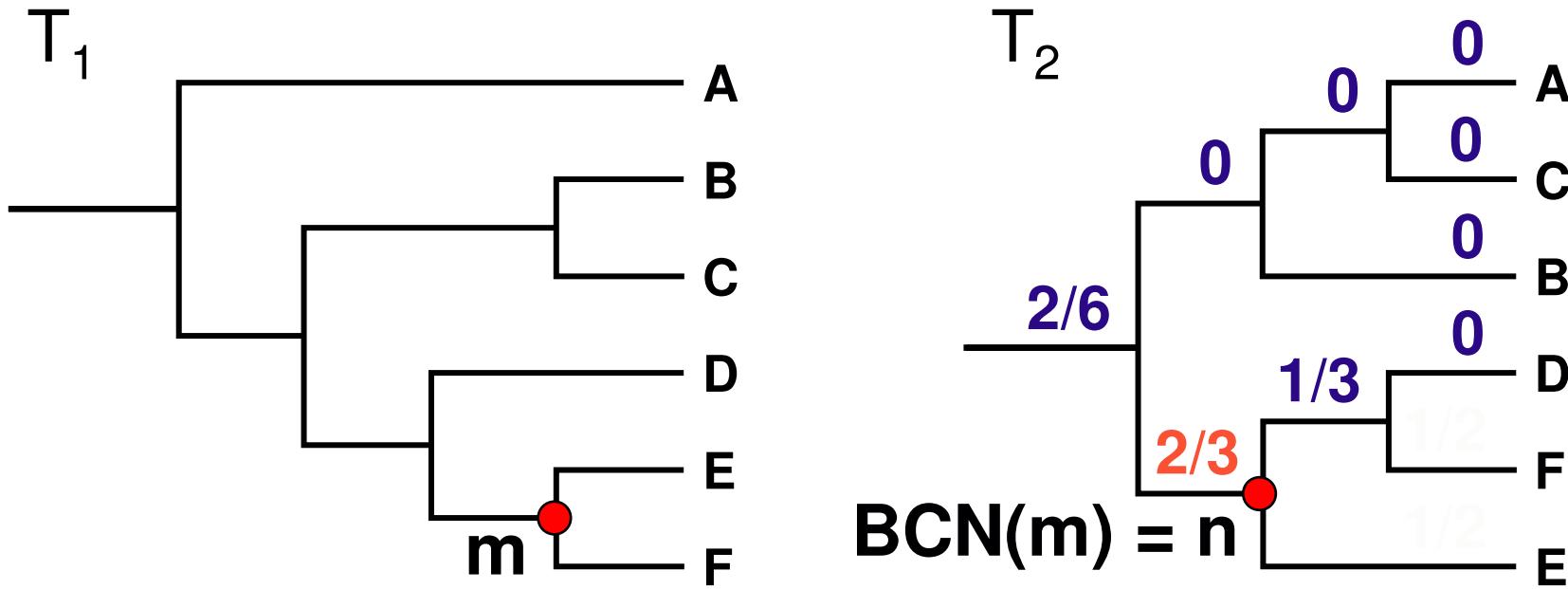
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$$L(n) = \{D, E, F\}$$

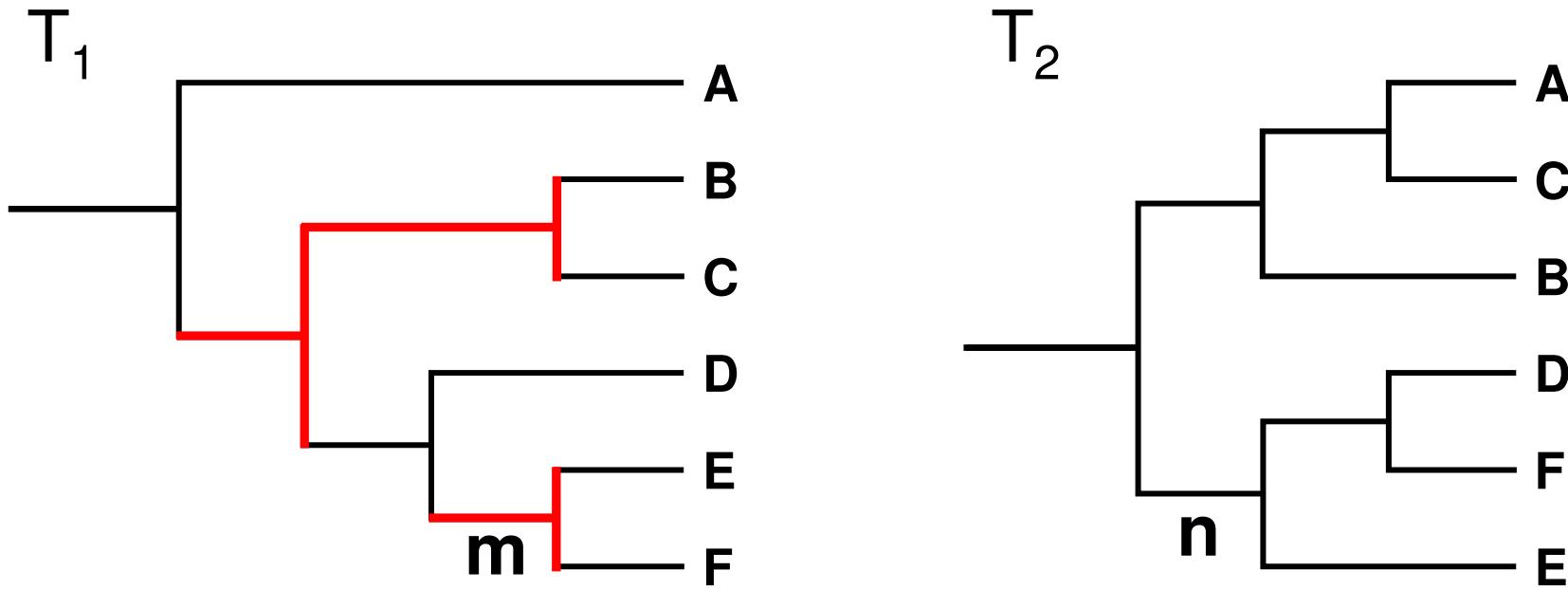
$$S(m,n) = \frac{|L(m) \cap L(n)|}{|L(m) \cup L(n)|} = \frac{|\{E, F\}|}{|\{D, E, F\}|} = \frac{2}{3}$$

Best Corresponding Node



- $\text{BCN}(m) = \operatorname{argmax}_{v \in T_2} (S(m, v))$
 - computable in $O(n \log^2 n)$
 - linked highlighting

Marking Structural Differences



- Nodes for which $S(\nu, \text{BCN}(\nu)) \neq 1$
 - Matches intuition

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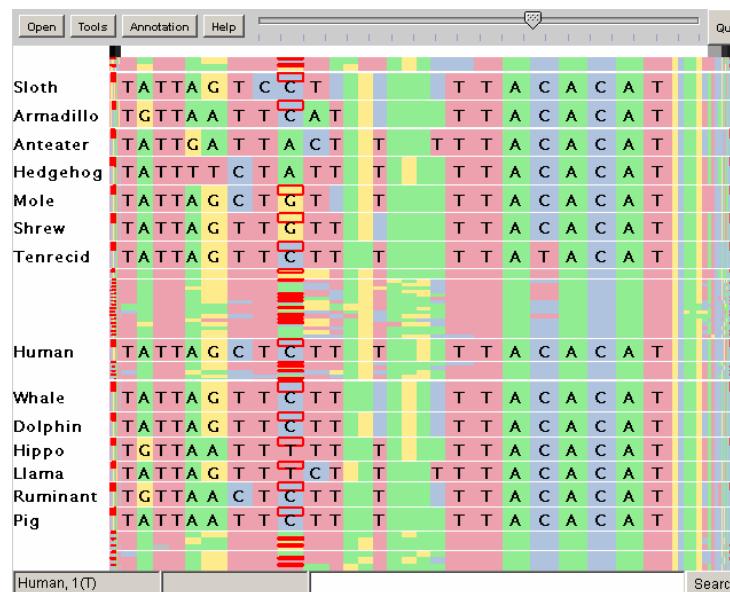
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Genomic Sequences

- multiple aligned sequences of DNA
- now commonly browsed with web apps
 - zoom and pan with abrupt jumps
 - previous work
 - Ensembl [Hubbard 02], UCSC Genome Browser [Kent 02], NCBI [Wheeler 02]
- investigate benefits of accordion drawing
 - showing focus areas in context
 - smooth transitions between states
 - guaranteed visibility for globally visible landmarks

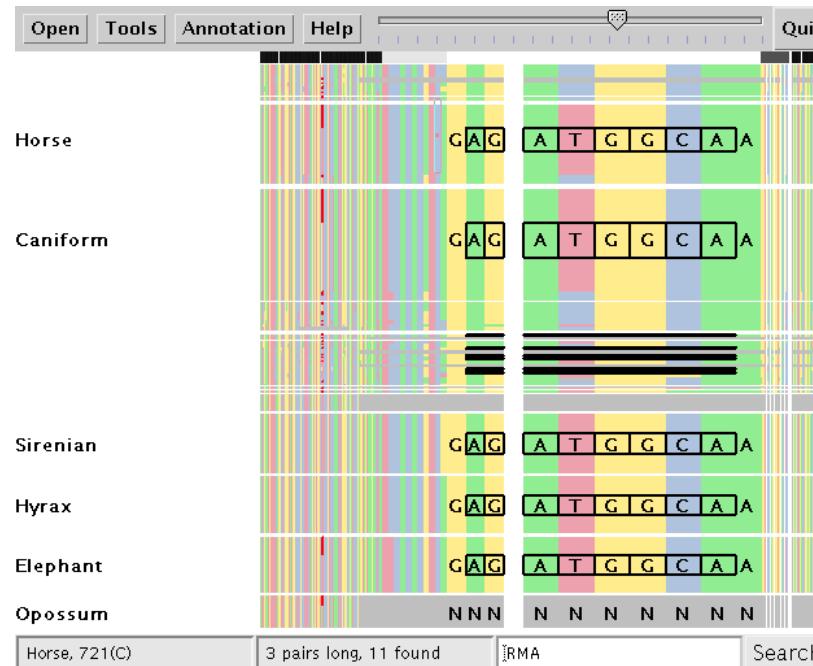
SequenceJuxtaposer

- comparing multiple aligned gene sequences
- provides searching, difference calculation
- [video]
 - video/software downloadable from <http://olduvai.sf.net/tj>



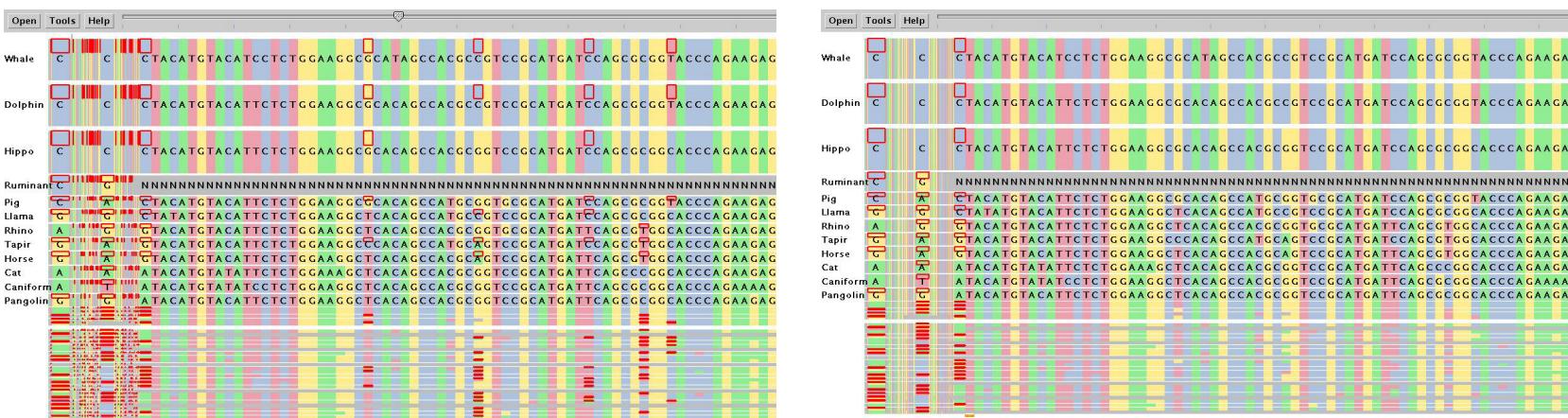
Searching

- search for motifs
 - protein/codon search
 - regular expressions supported
- results marked with guaranteed visibility



Differences

- explore differences between aligned pairs
 - slider controls difference threshold in realtime
- results marked with guaranteed visibility



SJ Contributions

- fluid tree comparison system
 - showing multiple focus areas in context
 - guaranteed visibility of marked areas
 - thresholded differences, search results
- scalable to large datasets
 - 2M nucleotides
 - all realtime rendering sublinear

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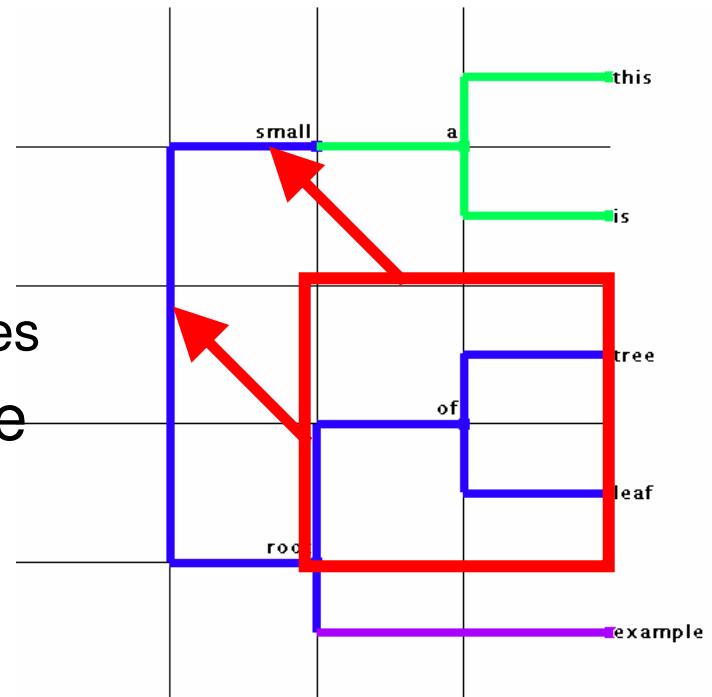
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Goals of PRISAD

- generic AD infrastructure
 - tree and sequence applications
 - PRITree is TreeJuxtaposer using PRISAD
 - PRISeq is SequenceJuxtaposer using PRISAD
- efficiency
 - faster rendering: minimize overdrawing
 - smaller memory footprint
- correctness
 - rendering with no gaps: eliminate overculling

PRISAD Navigation

- generic navigation infrastructure
 - application independent
 - uses deformable grid
 - split lines
 - Grid lines define object boundaries
 - horizontal and vertical separate
 - Independently movable

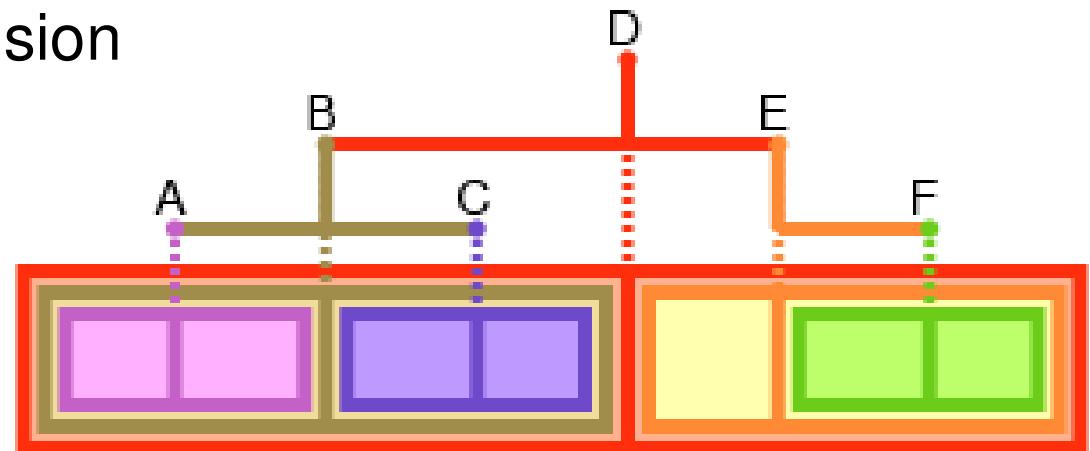


Split line hierarchy

- data structure supports navigation, picking, drawing
- two interpretations
 - linear ordering



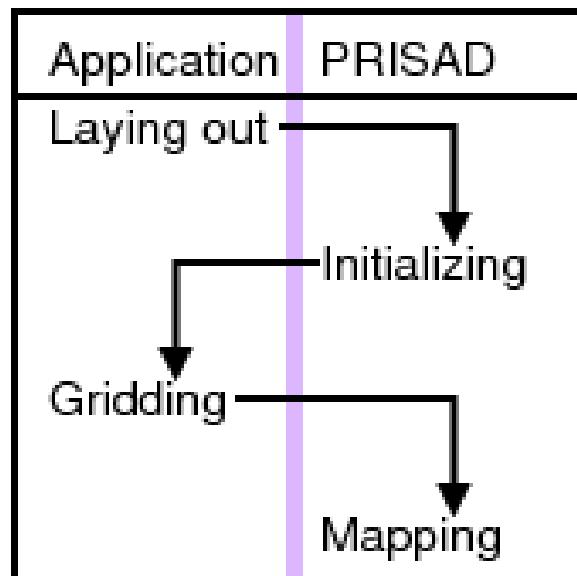
- hierarchical subdivision



PRISAD Architecture

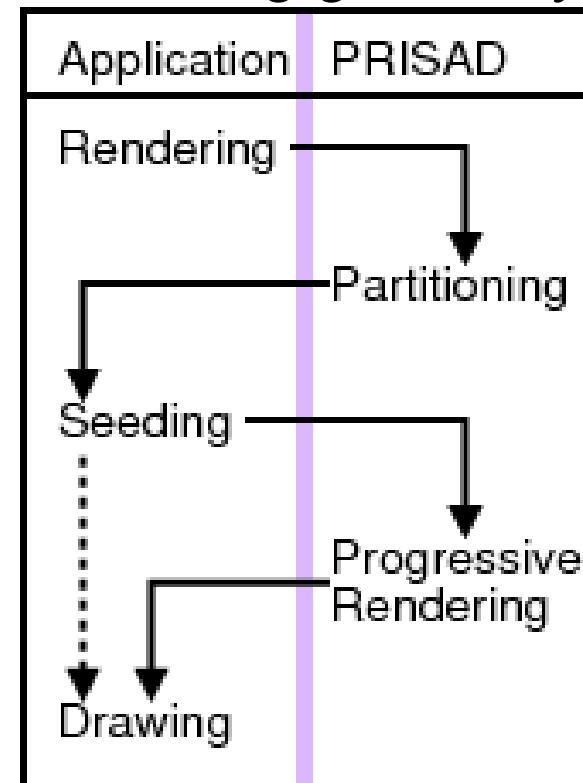
world-space discretization

- preprocessing
 - initializing data structures
 - placing geometry



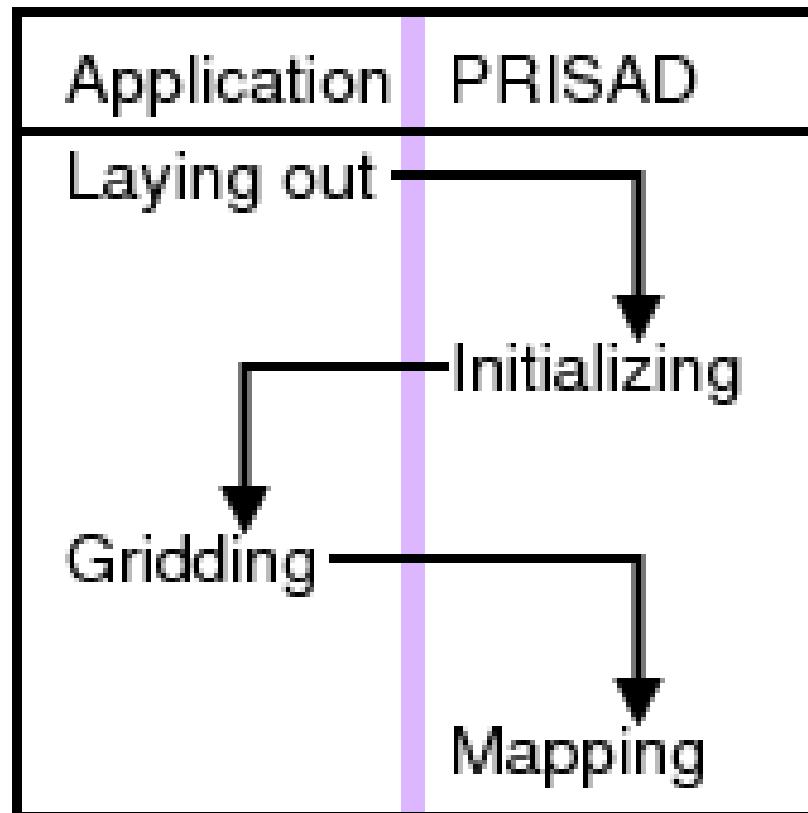
screen-space rendering

- frame updating
 - analyzing navigation state
 - drawing geometry



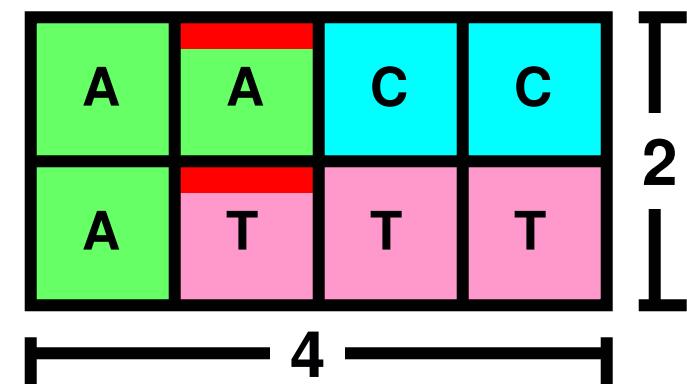
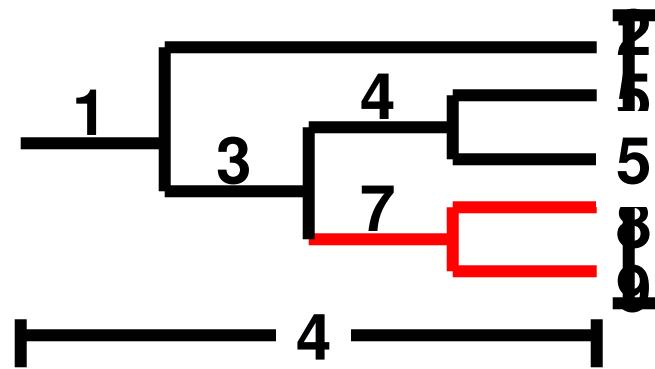
World-space Discretization

interplay between infrastructure and application



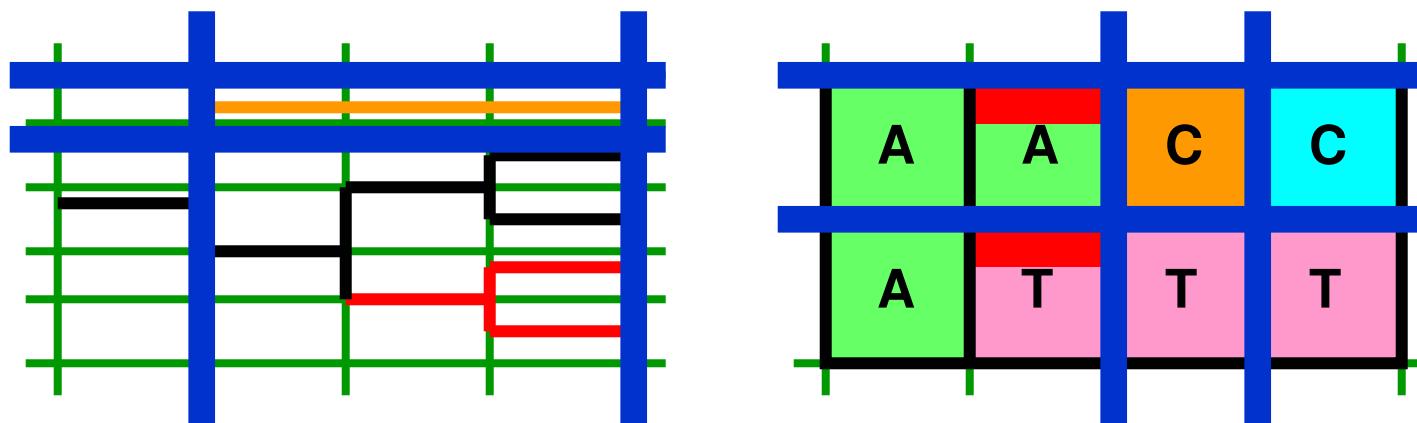
Laying Out & Initializing

- application-specific layout of dataset
 - non-overlapping objects
- initialize PRISAD split line hierarchies
 - objects aligned by split lines



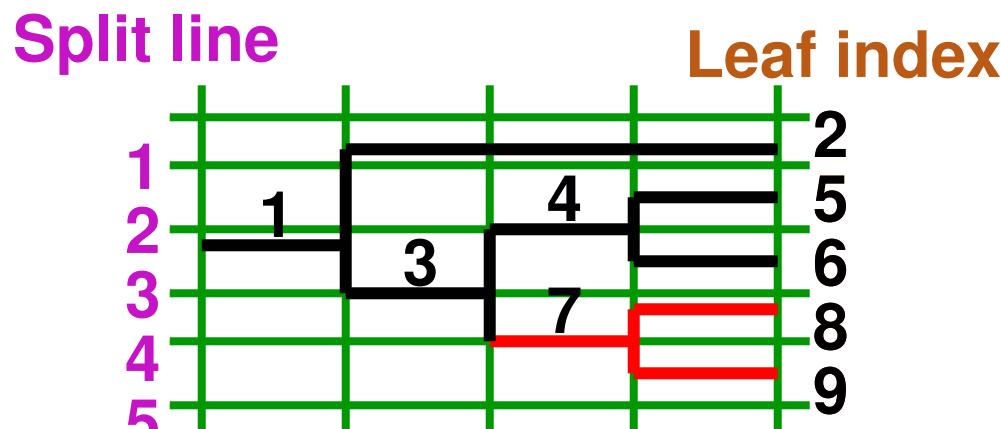
Gridding

- each geometric object assigned its four encompassing split line boundaries



Mapping

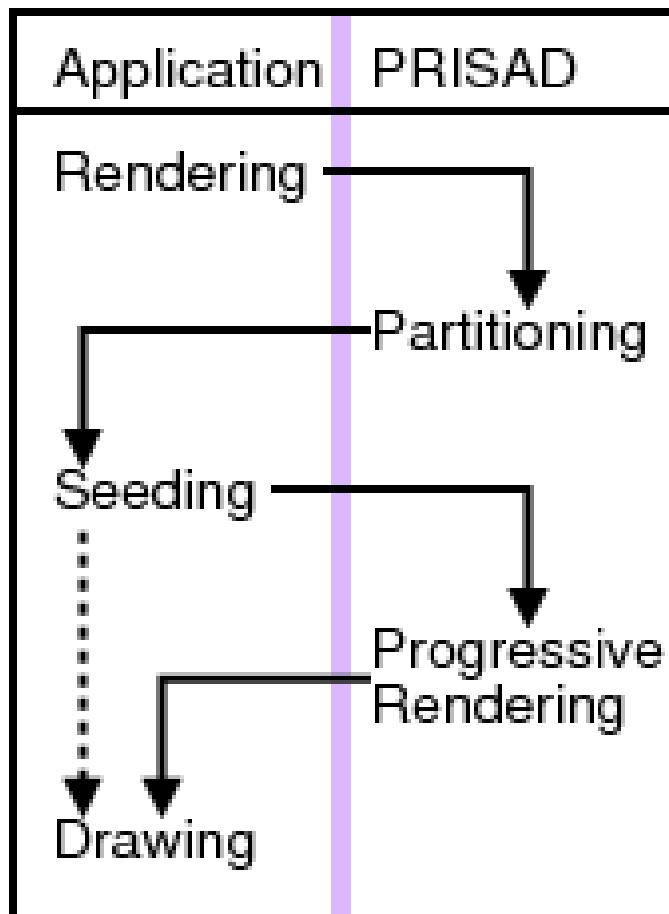
- PRITree mapping initializes leaf references
 - bidirectional O(1) reference between leaves and split lines



Map	
1	2
2	5
3	6
4	8
5	9

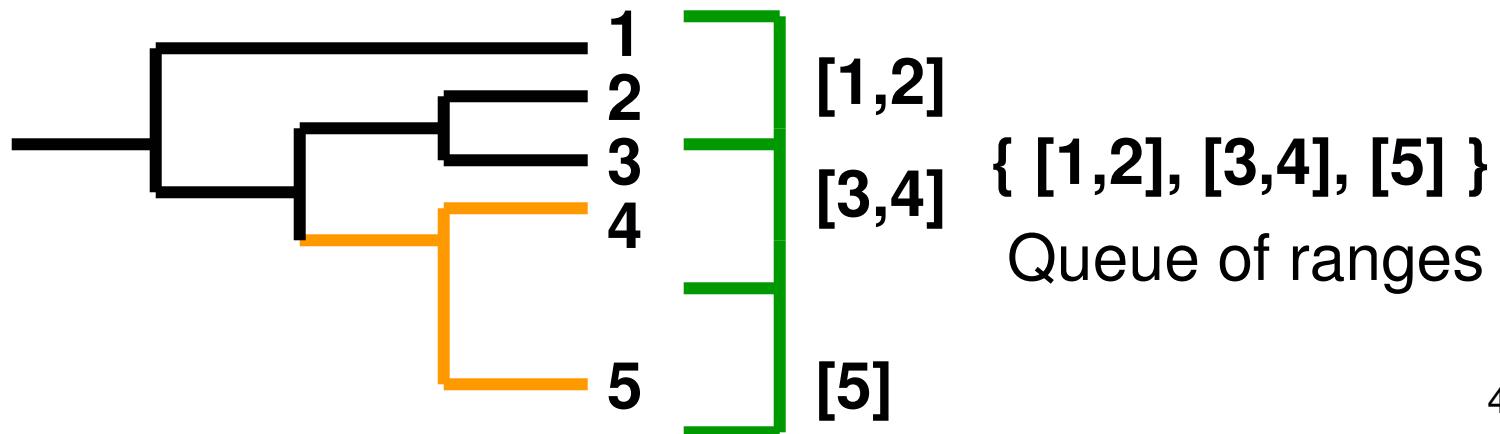
Screen-space Rendering

control flow to draw each frame



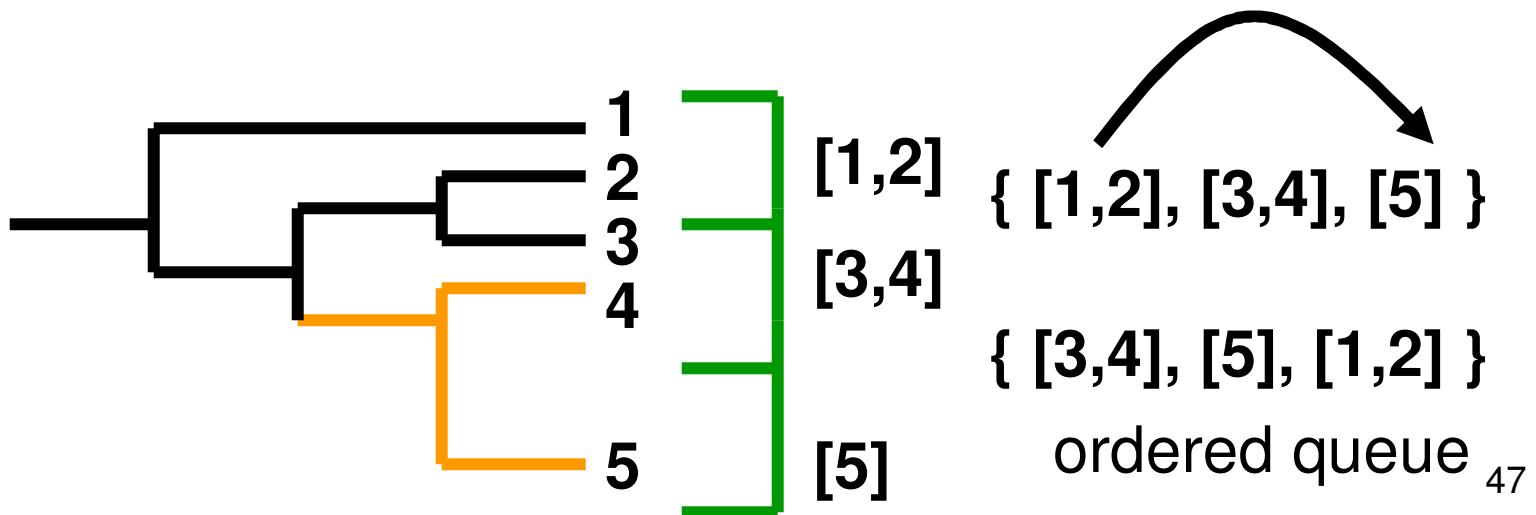
Partitioning

- partition object set into bite-sized ranges
 - using current split line screen-space positions
 - required for every frame
 - subdivision stops if region smaller than 1 pixel
 - or if range contains only 1 object



Seeding

- reordering range queue result from partition
 - marked regions get priority in queue
 - drawn first to provide landmarks



Drawing Single Range

- each enqueued object range drawn according to application geometry
 - selection for trees
 - aggregation for sequences

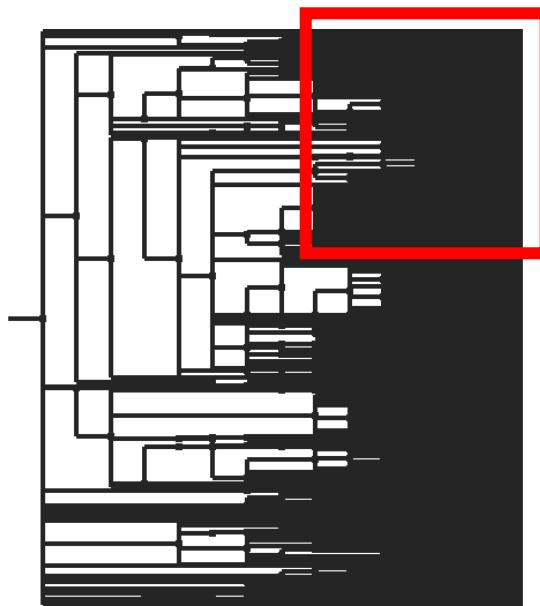
PRITree Range Drawing

- select suitable leaf in each range
- draw path from leaf to the root
 - ascent-based tree drawing
 - efficiency: minimize overdrawing
 - only draw one path per range

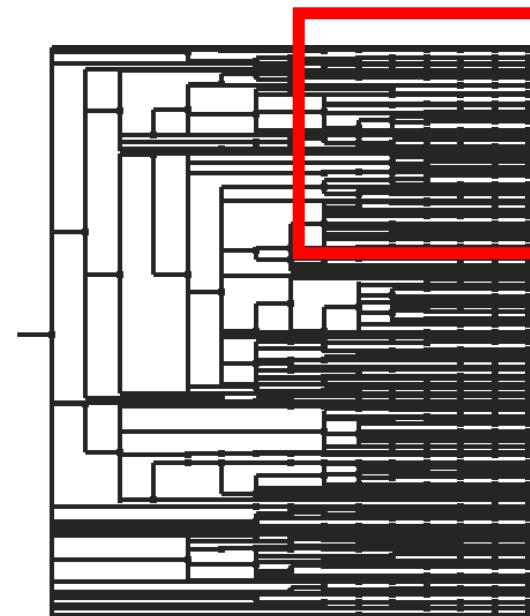


Rendering Dense Regions

- correctness: eliminate overculling
 - bad leaf choices would result in misleading gaps
- efficiency: maximize partition size to reduce rendering
 - too much reduction would result in gaps



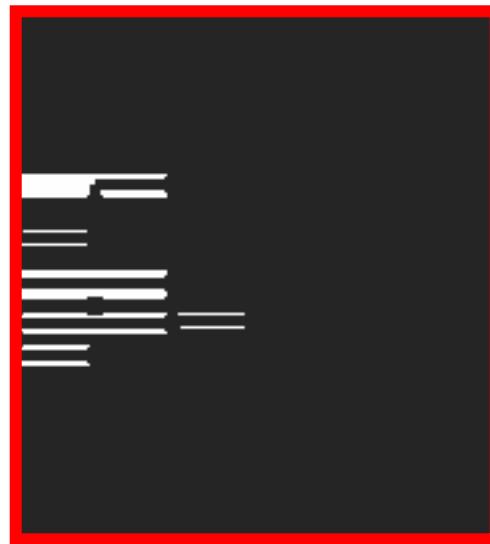
Intended rendering



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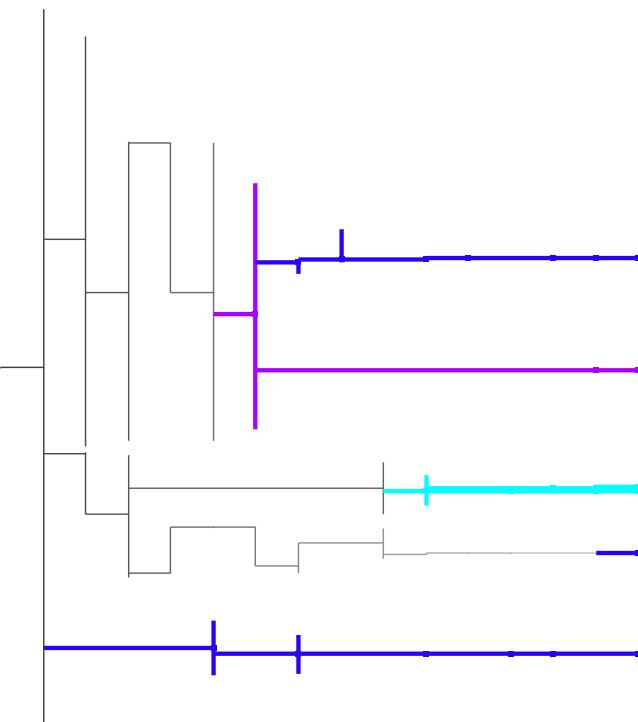


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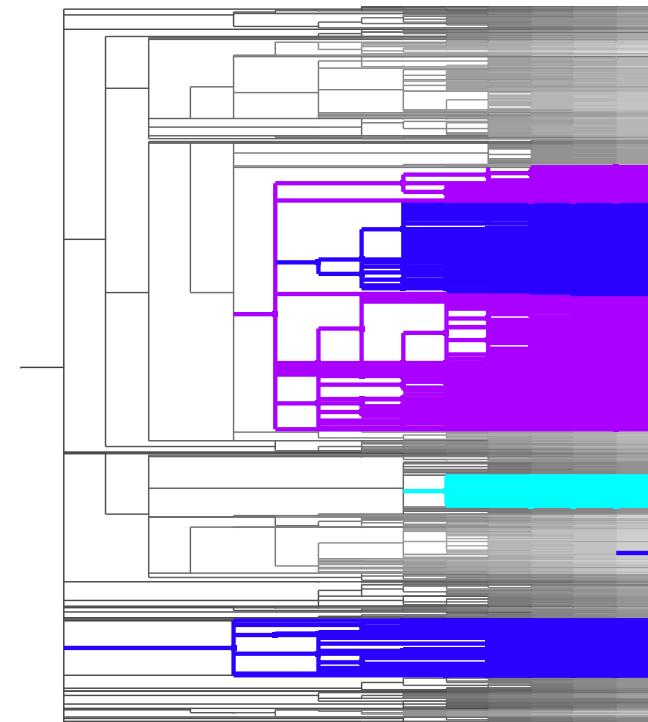
PRITree Skeleton

- guaranteed visibility of marked subtrees during progressive rendering

first frame: one path per marked group

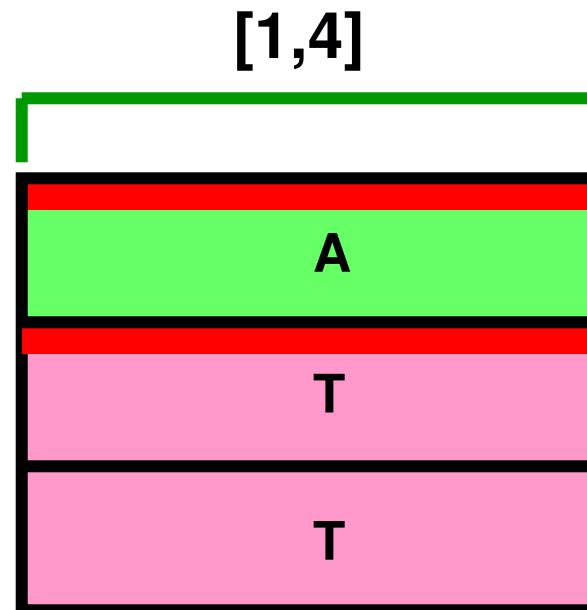
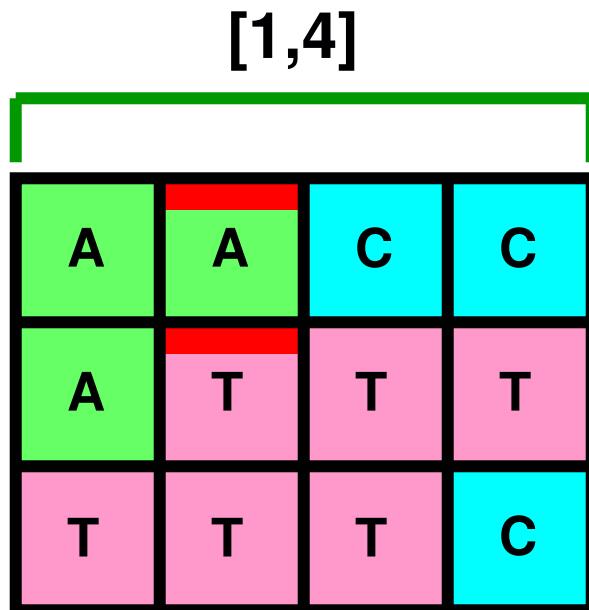


full scene:
entire marked subtrees



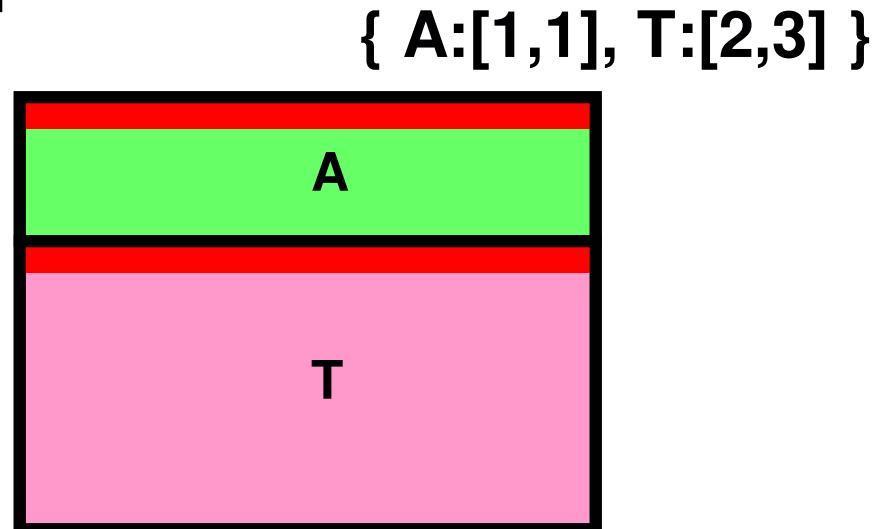
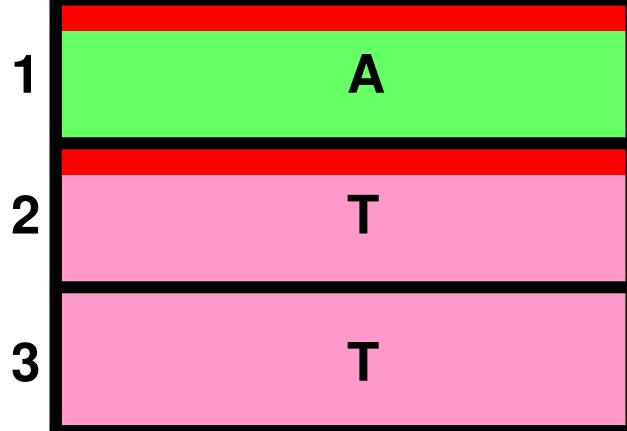
PRISeq Range Drawing: Aggregation

- aggregate range to select box color for each sequence
 - random select to break ties



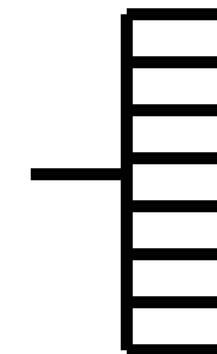
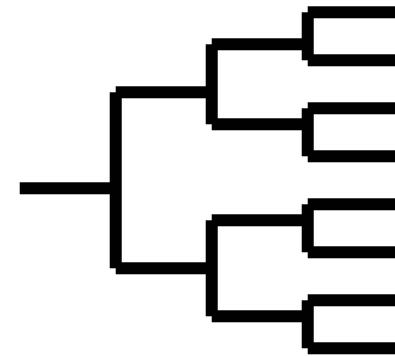
PRISeq Range Drawing

- collect identical nucleotides in column
 - form single box to represent identical objects
 - attach to split line hierarchy cache
 - lazy evaluation
- draw vertical column



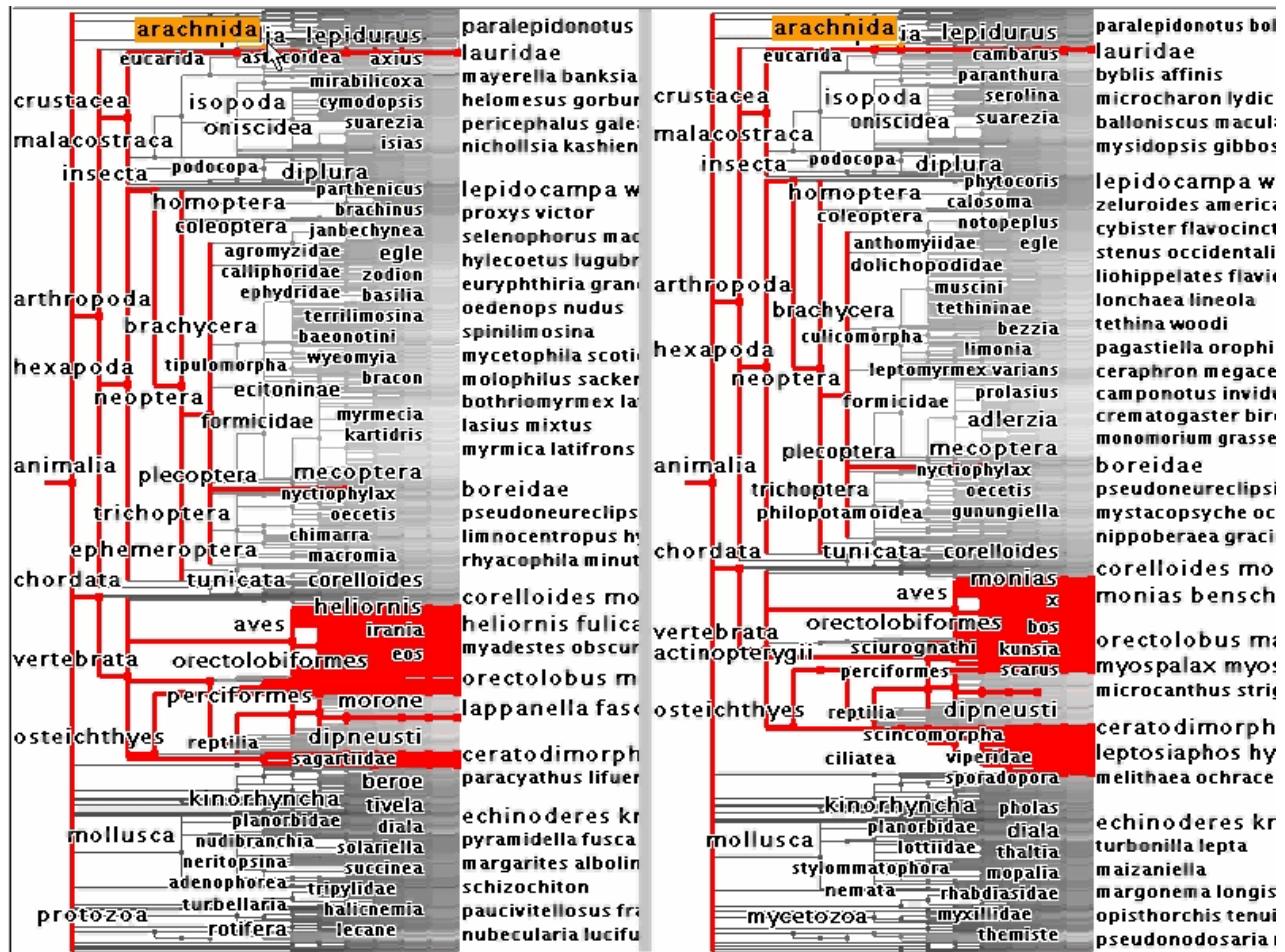
PRISAD Performance

- PRITree vs. TreeJuxtaposer (TJ)
- synthetic and real datasets
 - complete binary trees
 - lowest branching factor
 - regular structure
 - star trees
 - highest possible branching factor



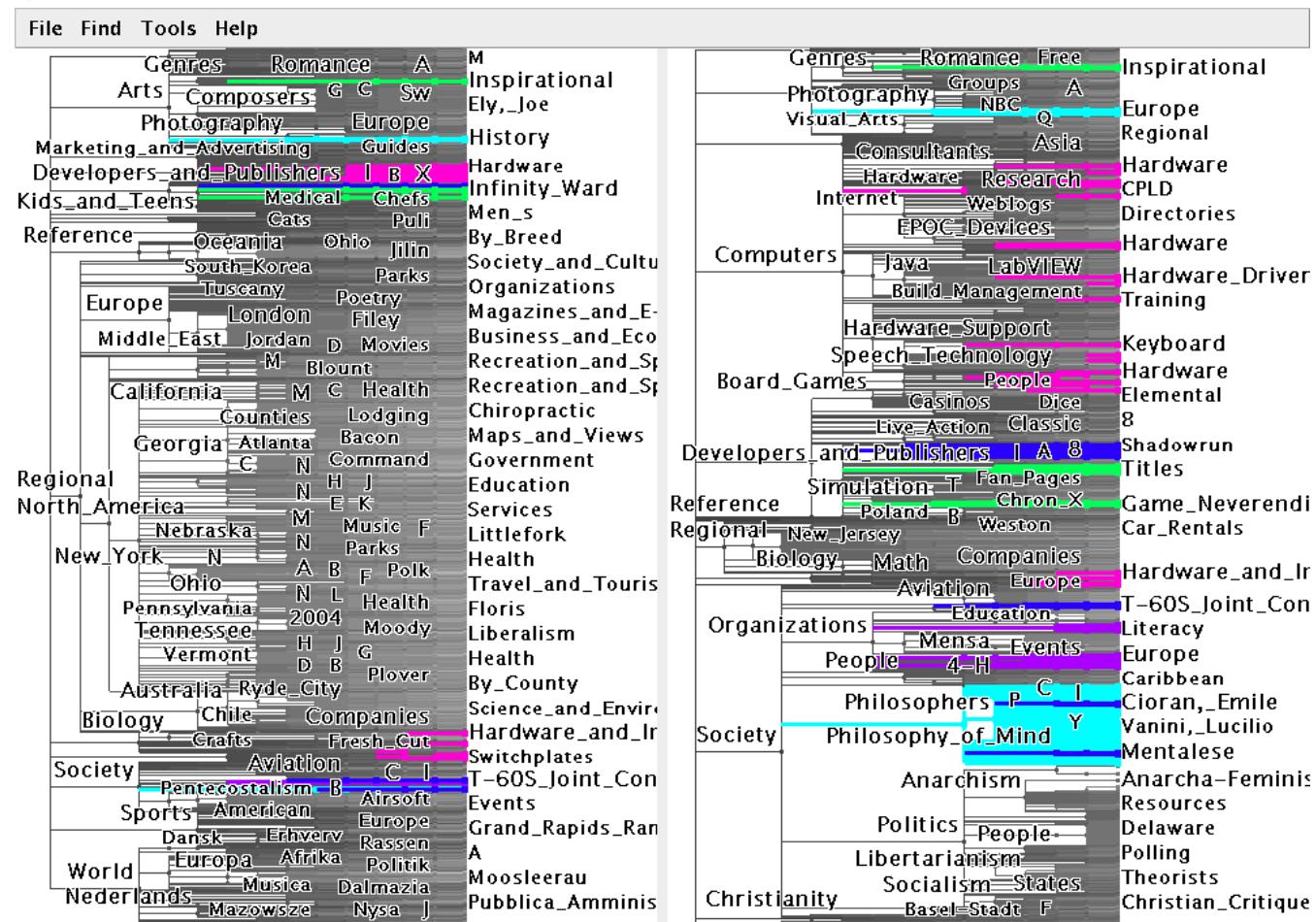
InfoVis Contest Benchmarks

- two 190K node trees
- directly compare TJ and PT



OpenDirectory benchmarks

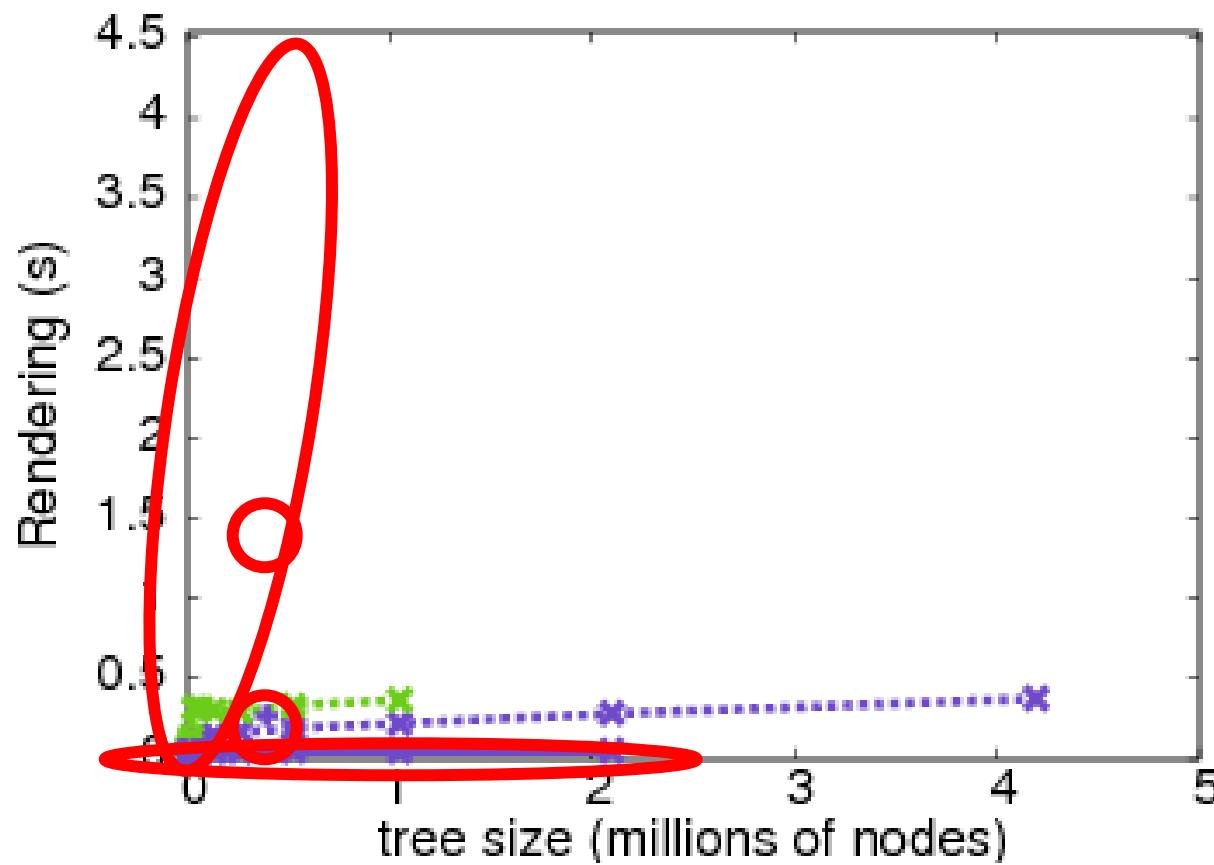
- two 480K node trees
- too large for TJ



PRITree Rendering Time Performance

Tree size (millions of nodes)

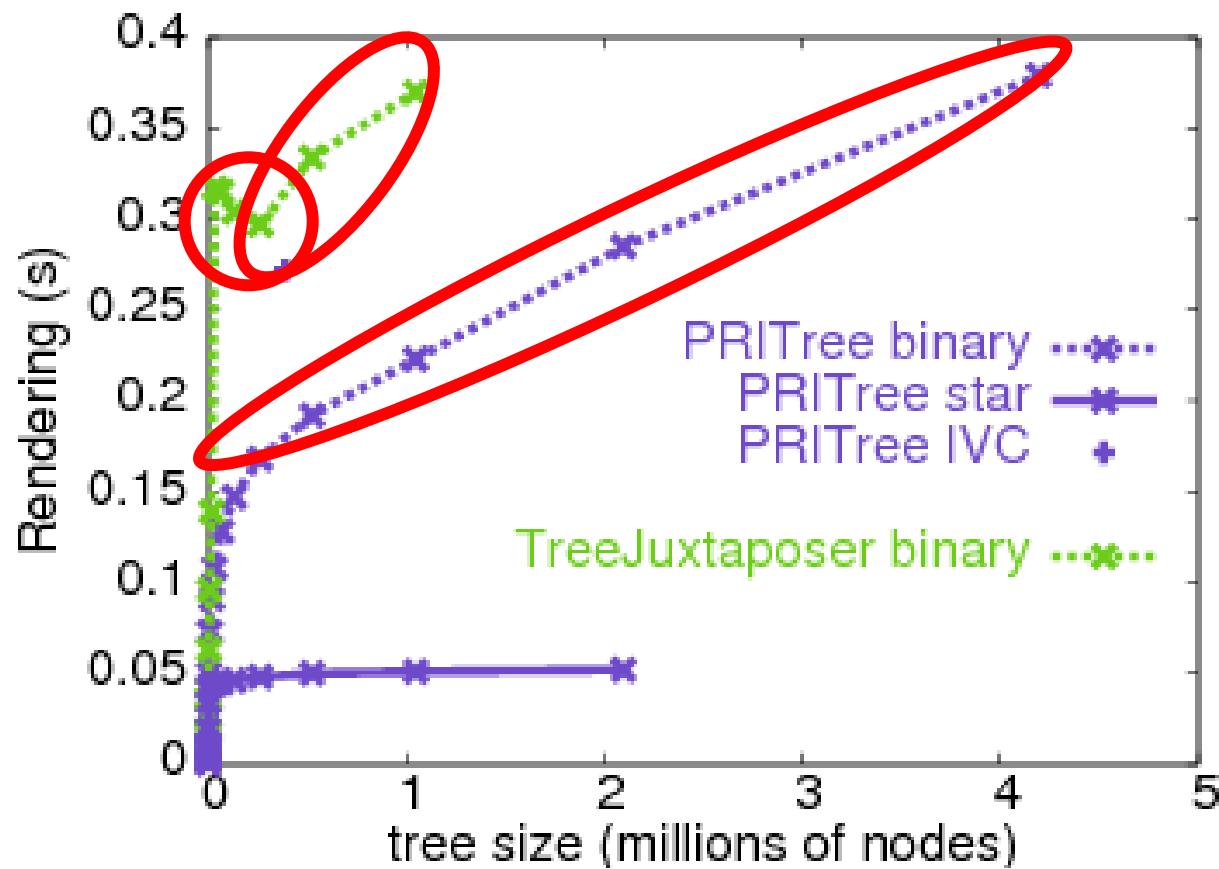
- 5x rendering speedup leads to $O(k)$ performance



Detailed Rendering Time Performance

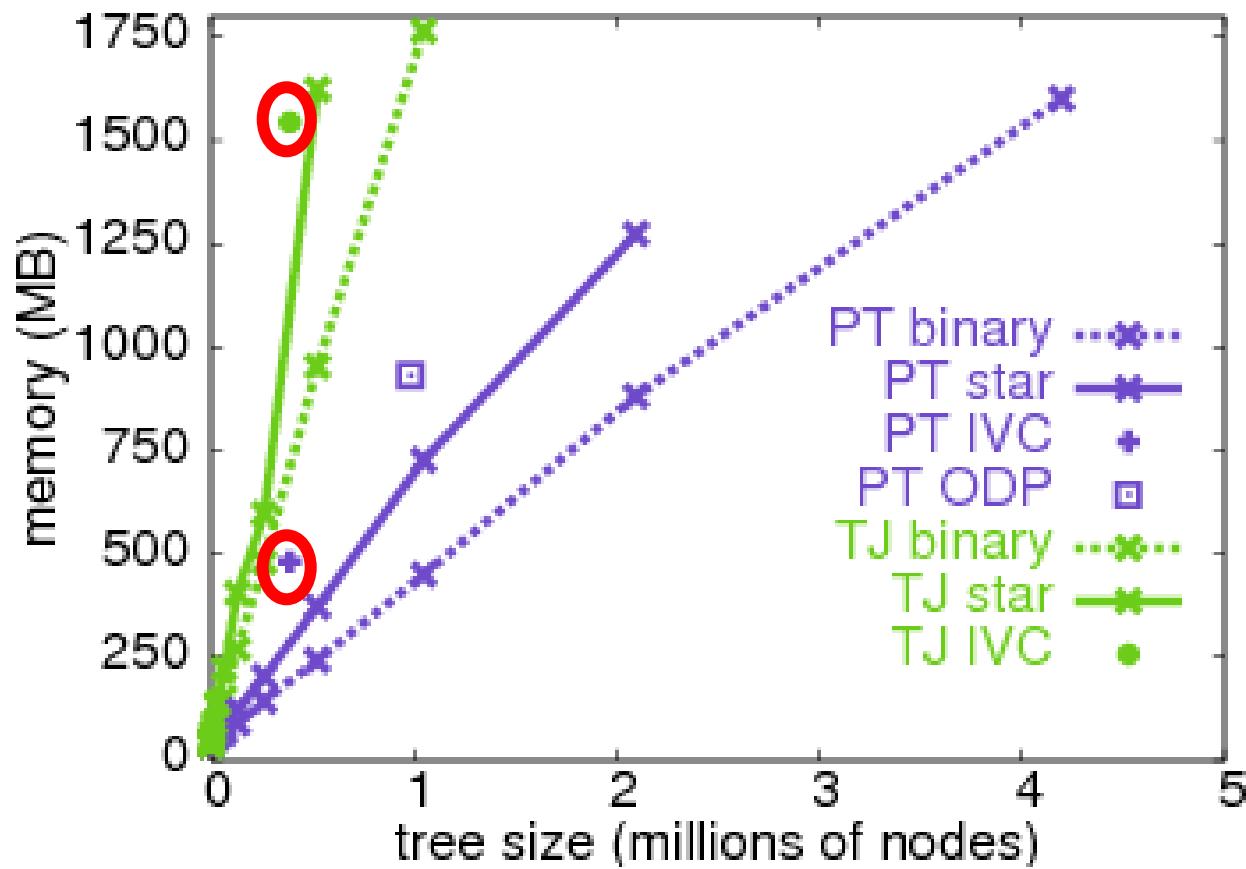
PRI Tree approaches a ceiling of 0.4 seconds

- TreeJuxtaposer takes twice as long to render 1 million nodes



Memory Performance

- line graph showing memory usage for both applications comparison
- marked range storage system gets tip data setability



Performance Comparison

- PRITree vs. TreeJuxtaposer
 - detailed benchmarks against identical TJ functionality
 - 5x faster, 8x smaller footprint
 - handles over 4M node trees
- PRISeq vs. SequenceJuxtaposer
 - 15x faster rendering, 20x smaller memory size
 - 44 species * 17K nucleotides = 770K items
 - 6400 species * 6400 nucleotides = 40M items

Future Work

- future work
 - editing and annotating datasets
 - PRISAD support for application specific actions
 - logging, replay, undo, other user actions
 - develop process or template for building applications

PRISAD Contributions

- infrastructure for efficient, correct, and generic accordion drawing
- efficient and correct rendering
 - screen-space partitioning tightly bounds overdrawing and eliminates overculling
- first generic AD infrastructure
 - PRITree renders 5x faster than TJ
 - PRISeq renders 20x larger datasets than SJ

Joint Work

- TreeJuxtaposer
 - François Guimbretière, Serdar Taşiran, Li Zhang, Yunhong Zhou
 - SIGGRAPH 2003
- SequenceJuxtaposer
 - James Slack, Kristian Hildebrand, Katherine St.John
 - German Conference on Bioinformatics 2004
- PRISAD
 - James Slack, Kristian Hildebrand
 - IEEE InfoVis Symposium 2005

Open Source

- software freely available from
<http://olduvai.sourceforge.net>
 - SequenceJuxtaposer
olduvai.sf.net/sj
 - TreeJuxtaposer
olduvai.sf.net/tj
 - requires Java and OpenGL
 - GL4Java bindings now, JOGL version coming soon
- papers, talks, videos also from
<http://www.cs.ubc.ca/~tmm>