Models of Sequence Evolution With Selection

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Note

Even though this is not a requirement, in practice, codon models are not used for phylogenetic inference. The phylogenetic tree / sequence genealogy is assumed to be known.