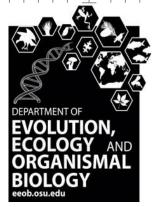




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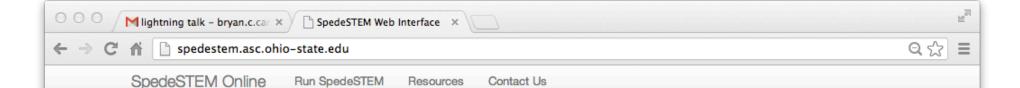
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- takes ultrametric gene trees as input
- calculates the probability of species trees that represent all permutations of n putative lineages
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# Species delimitation using Maximum Likelihood

spedeSTEM is a program that delimits species using maximum likelihood and information theory. Specifically, the probabilities of multiple permutations of putative evolutionary lineages are calculated using STEM (Kubatko et al. 2009) and ranked by model probability (see Anderson 2004). spedeSTEM takes as input ultrametric gene trees from multiple loci and an estimate of theta, and returns a table of models ranked by model probability. The web-based software here conducts both discovery and validation analyses, and also generates the set up files and allows the users to subsample alleles from large nexus files. spedeSTEM does not estimate gene trees; for this, we suggest PAUP or Garli. See this file for more help

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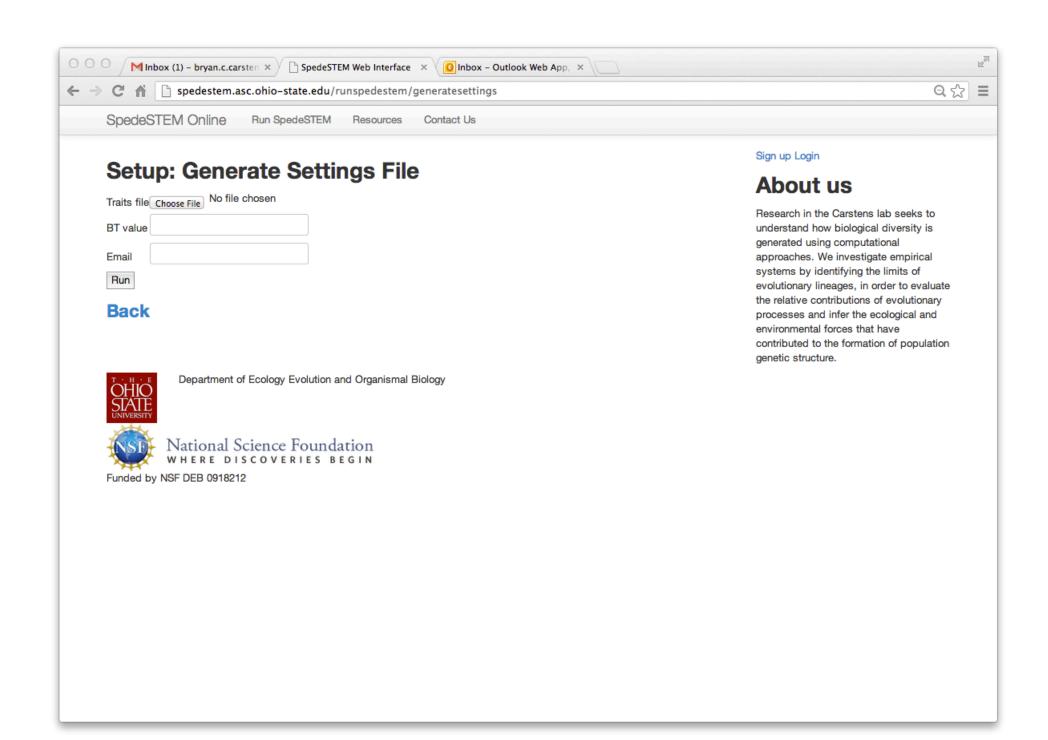
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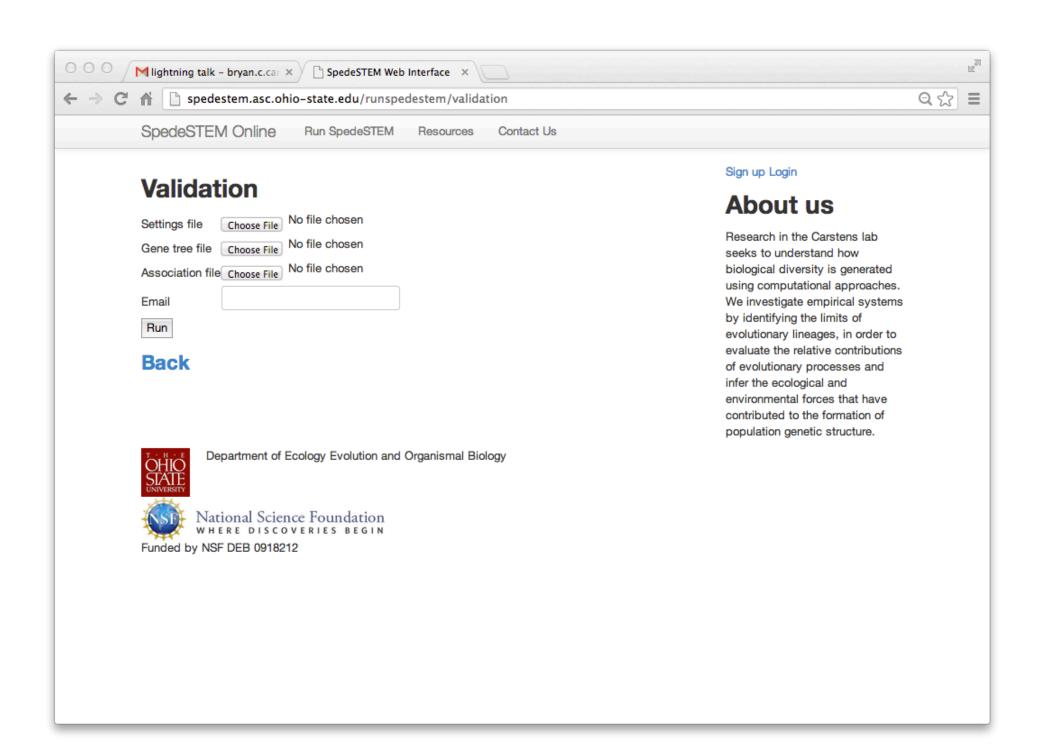


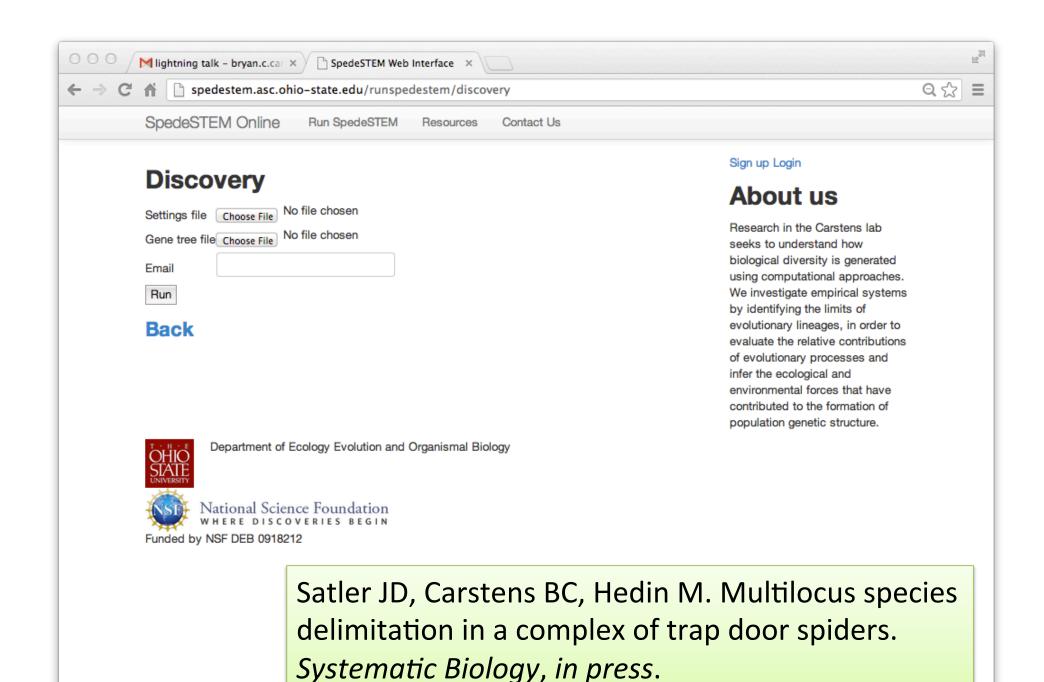
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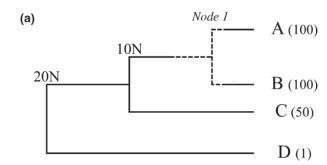


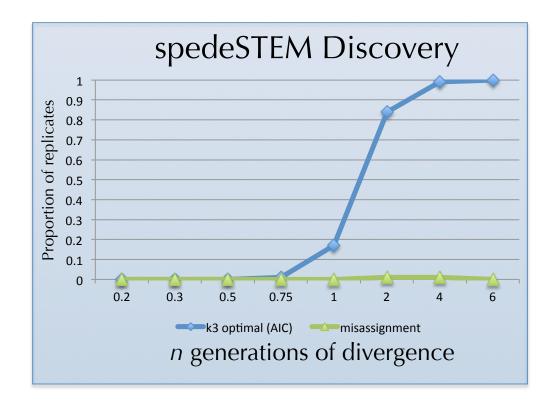
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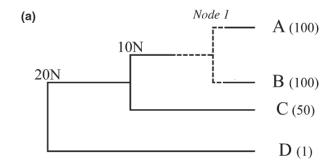


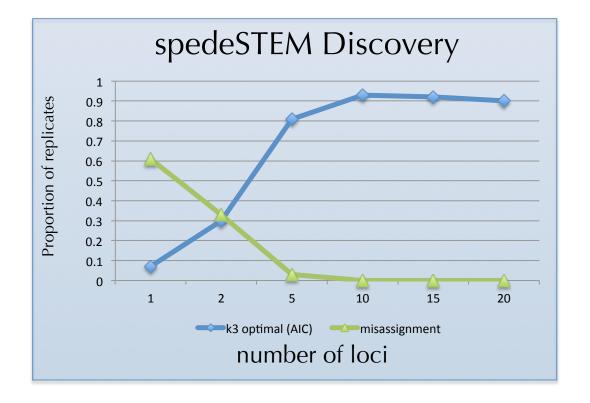
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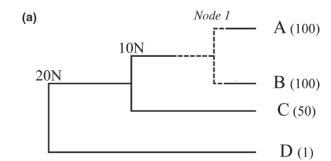


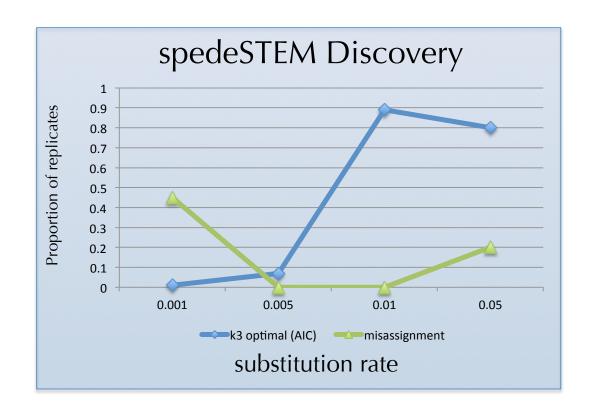
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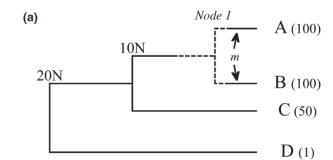


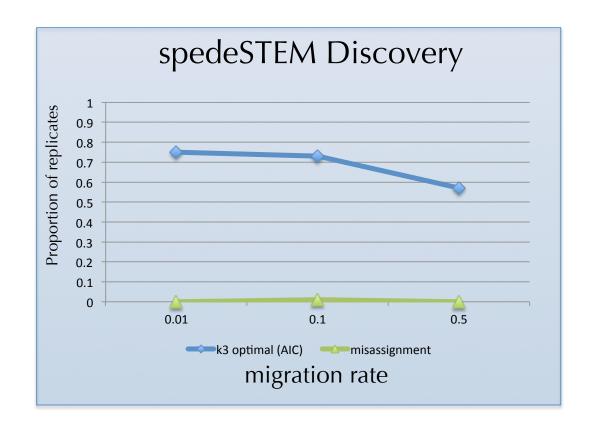
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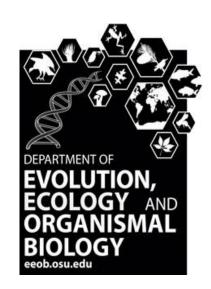
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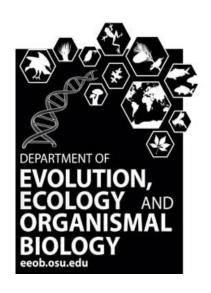
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