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ABSTRACT

Some models for genealogical processes are approximated using the n -coalescent, a continuous time Markov process. The coalescent allows us to answer several interesting inference problems including estimating mutation and recombination rates and testing for selection.