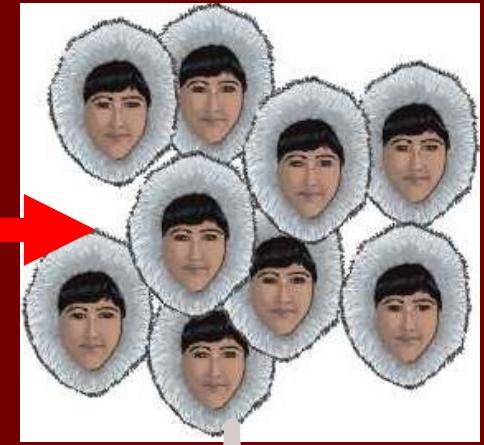


MOLECULAR ECOLOGY



SPECIES

POPULATIONS



SUBPOPULATIONS
(DEMES)

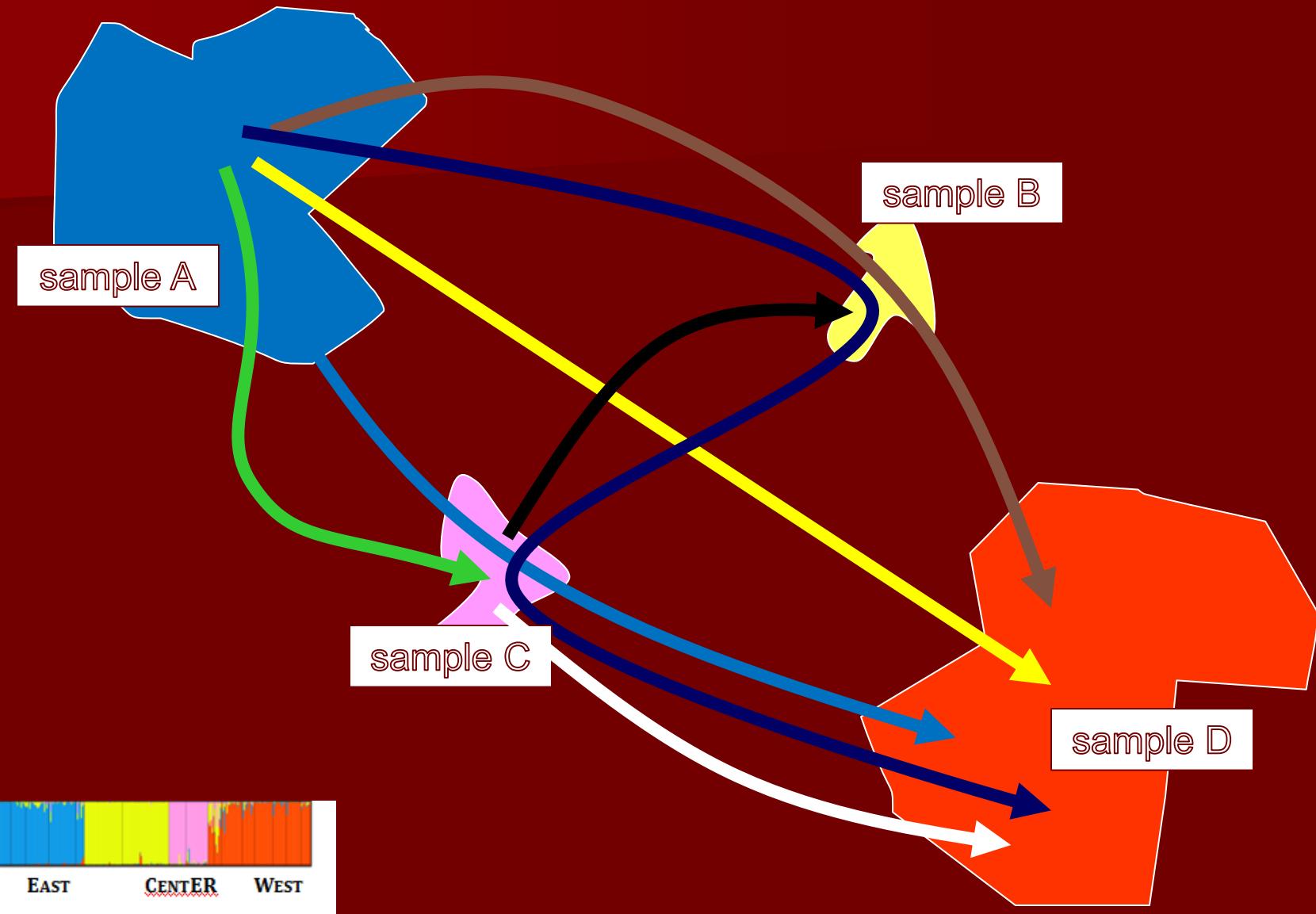
III. POPULATION HISTORY MODELLING

We are interested in genetic structure of a population(s) and HOW HAS BEEN CREATED



SOURCE AREA

Historical data available



Genetic data available

Population history (& genetic data)

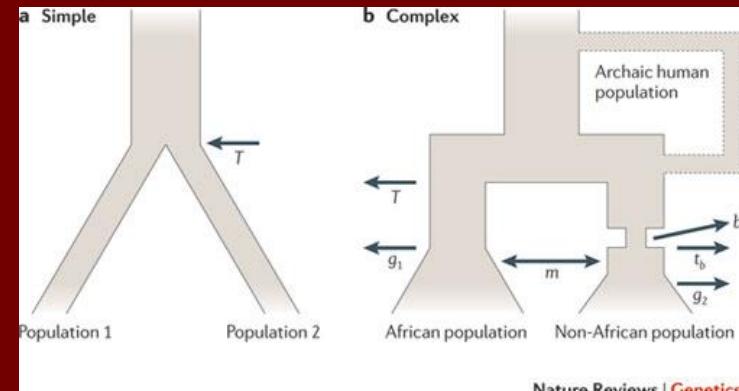
- Past evolutionary and demographic processes have left traces in the genetic variation – analyzing them we attempt to reconstruct **evolutionary history of populations**
- Studying population history = modelling
 - Selection of the most appropriate model (evolutionary scenario)
 - Estimation of parameters (e.g. time of events, number of founders, duration of bottlenecks, population size, mutation rate)
- Description of recent invasions (**invasion genetics**)
- Description of older history (**phylogeography**)

Inferring population history – ABC modelling

- We have observed data (e.g. microsatellite genotypes)
- We know genetic variation and structure
- We would like to know which demographic processes and how and when have created such an observed data = **population evolutionary history**
- Why is ABC approach useful in modelling population history?

It allows to deal with much more complex models with many parameters and a lot of complex data (many samples, populations, genetic loci, sequences)

and hence **models much more realistic**



Approximate Bayesian Computation

- model choice and parameter estimation
- exact LIKELIHOOD function is intractable in complex situations and can be bypassed (approximated) by a SIMILARITY MEASURE between many simulated (under various models) and a single real (observed) data
- data SIMULATION under various models
- COMPARISON of simulated and observed data – model choice
- According to the most supported model we can ESTIMATE VALUES of its parameters – parameter estimation

Approximate Bayesian Computation in Population Genetics

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ABSTRACT

We propose a new method for approximate Bayesian statistical inference on the basis of summary statistics. The method is suited to complex problems that arise in population genetics, extending ideas developed in this setting by earlier authors. Properties of the posterior distribution of a parameter, such as its mean or density curve, are approximated without explicit likelihood calculations. This is achieved by fitting a local-linear regression of simulated parameter values on simulated summary statistics, and then substituting the observed summary statistics into the regression equation. The method combines many of the advantages of Bayesian statistical inference with the computational efficiency of methods based on summary statistics. A key advantage of the method is that the nuisance parameters are automatically integrated out in the simulation step, so that the large numbers of nuisance parameters that arise in population genetics problems can be handled without difficulty. Simulation results indicate computational and statistical efficiency that compares favorably with those of alternative methods previously proposed in the literature. We also compare the relative efficiency of inferences obtained using methods based on summary statistics with those obtained directly from the data using MCMC.

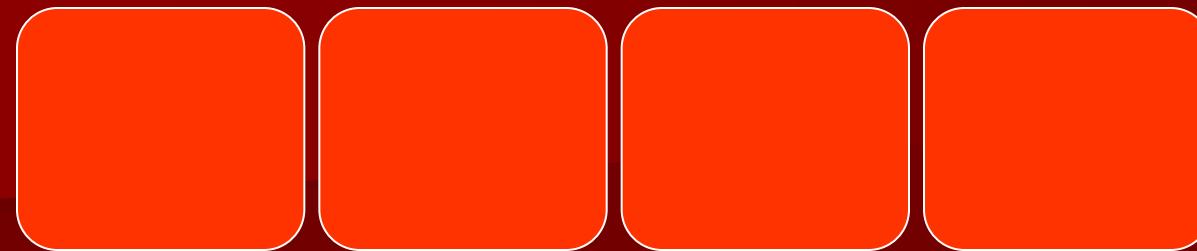
NEW APPROACH

Approximate Bayesian Computation (ABC)

Beaumont et al. 2002, Genetics

- estimations of parameters
- useful for model choice among various scenarios applied on the same data
- **the likelihood criterion is replaced by a similarity criterion between simulated & observed datasets**
- measured by a distance between summary statistics computed on both datasets

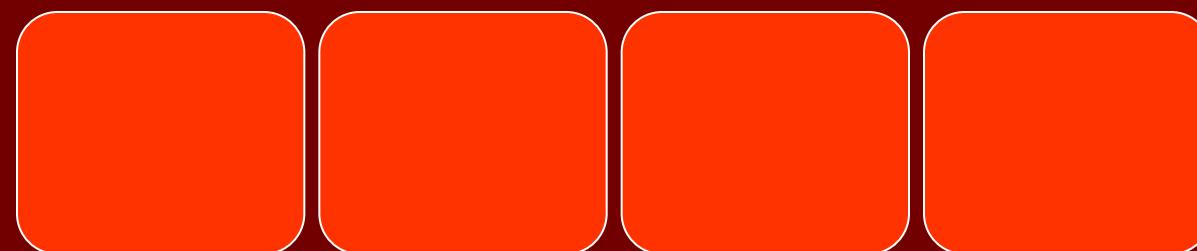
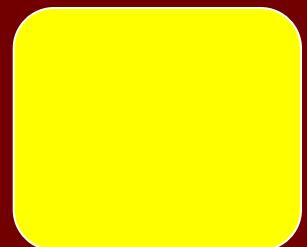
Decreasing of dimensionality



OBSERVED
DATASET



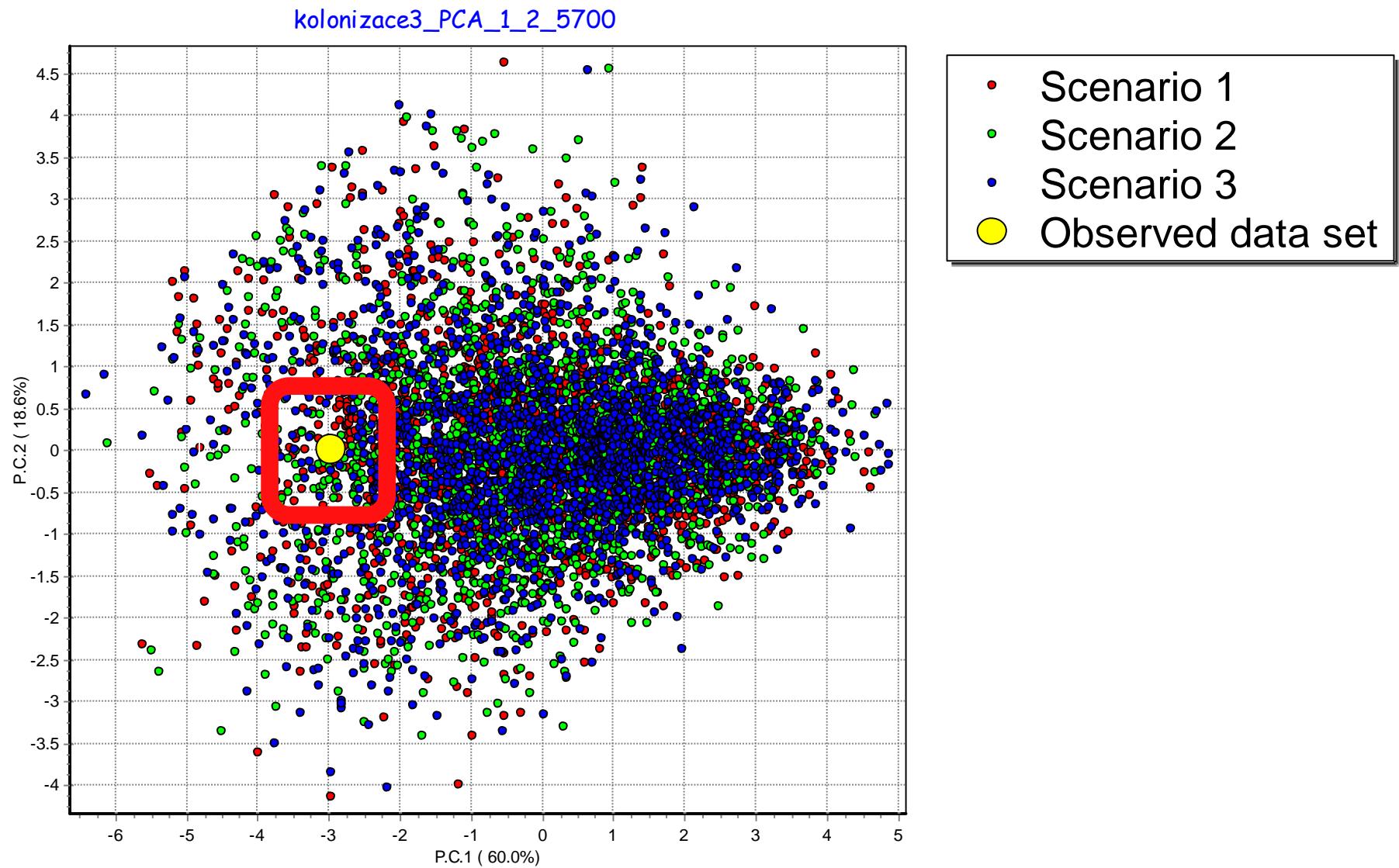
VERSUS



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Comparison of simulated and real dataset to infer probability of various models (evolutionary scenarios of population history)



RESEARCH ARTICLE

Open Access

Inference on population history and model checking using DNA sequence and microsatellite data with the software DIYABC (v1.0)

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APPLICATIONS NOTE

DIYABC v2.0: a software to make approximate Bayesian computation inferences about population history using single nucleotide polymorphism, DNA sequence and microsatellite data

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no simple software solution => inaccessible to most biologists

BUT NOW → Do It Yourself: **DIYABC** software allows to infer population history using the ABC approach

(Cornuet et al. 2008, 2010, 2014)

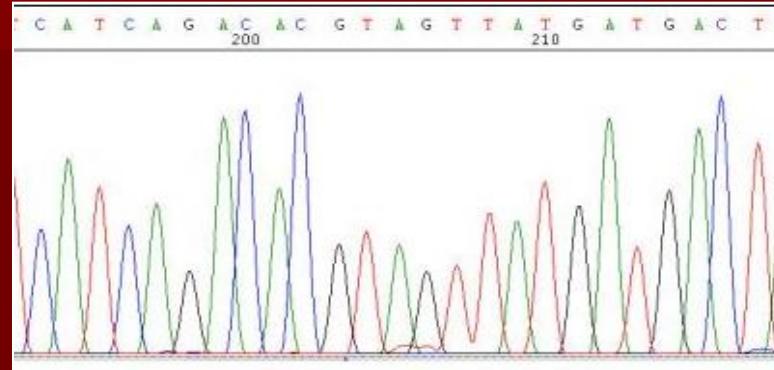
DIYABC



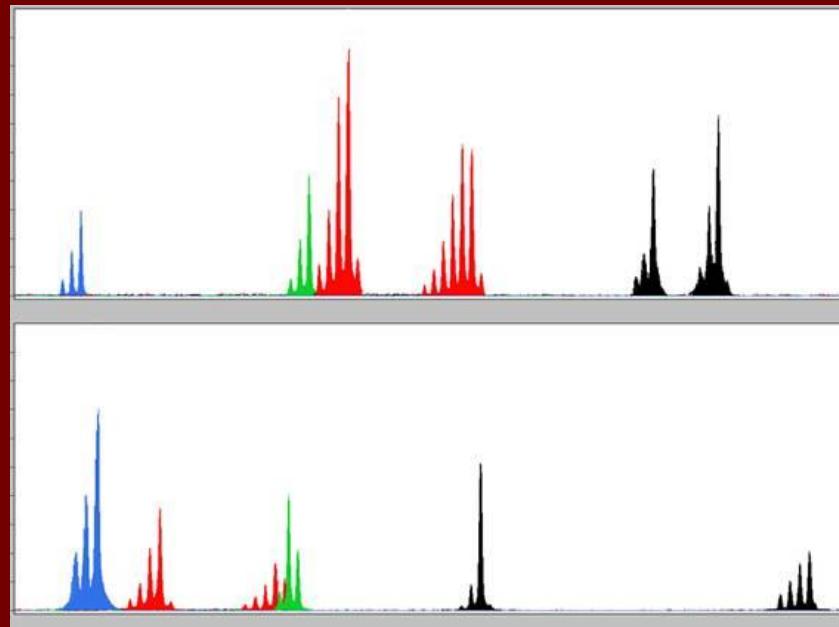
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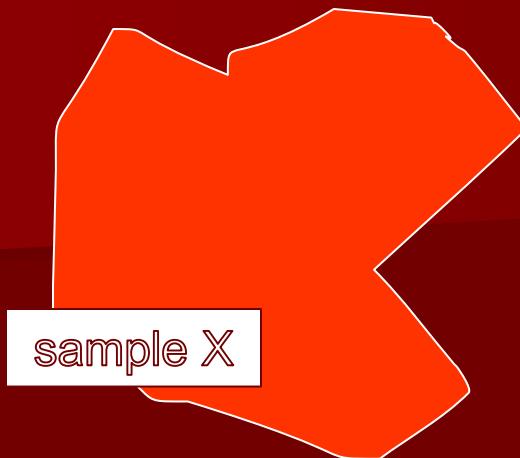
- Sequences
- SNPs



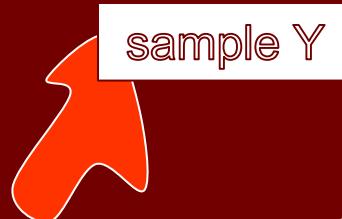
- Genotypes



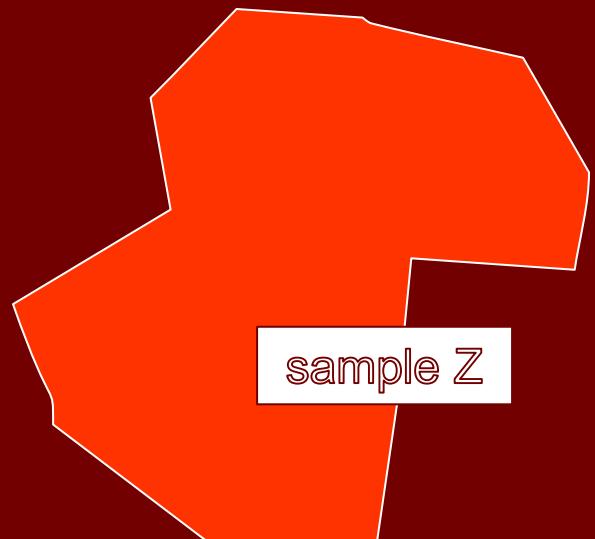
SOURCE REGION



Historic background

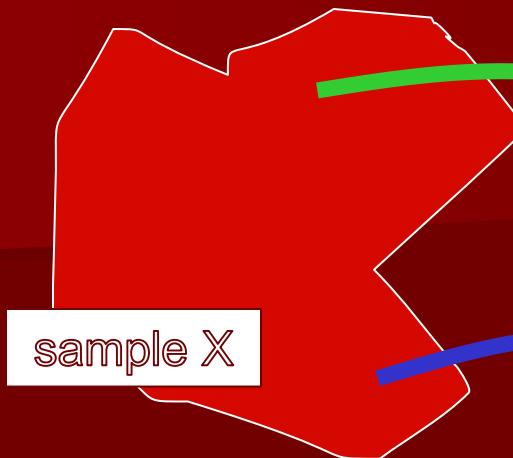


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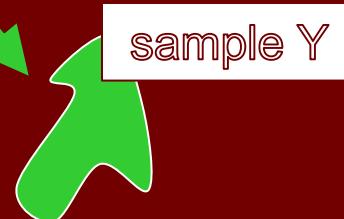


Genetic data (microsatellites, SNPs)

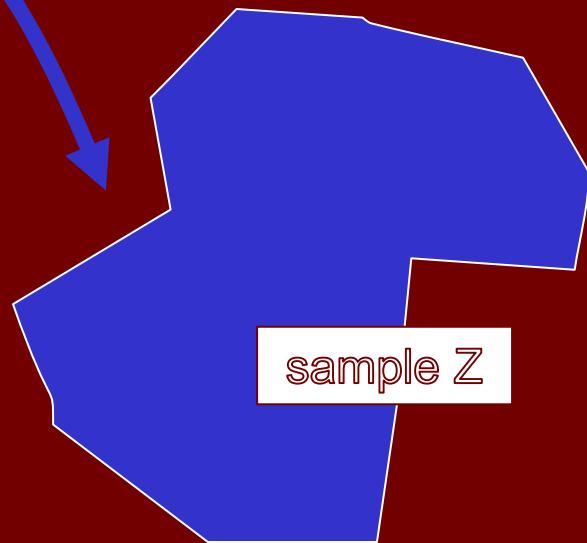
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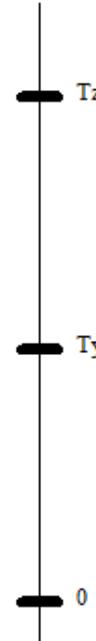
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- Y
- Z

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Pop 1

Pop 2

Pop 3

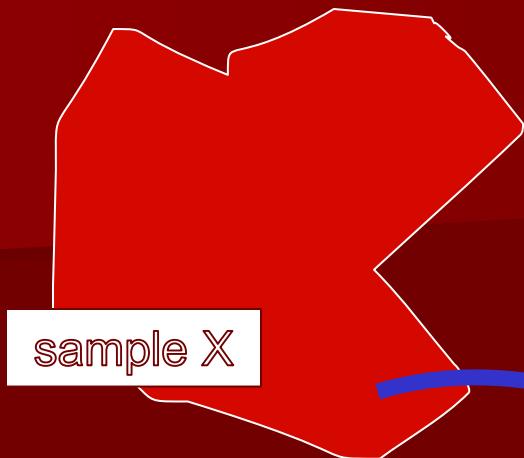


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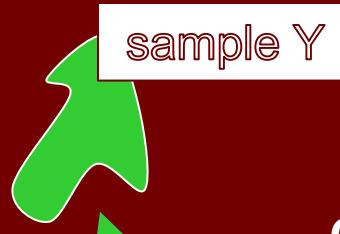
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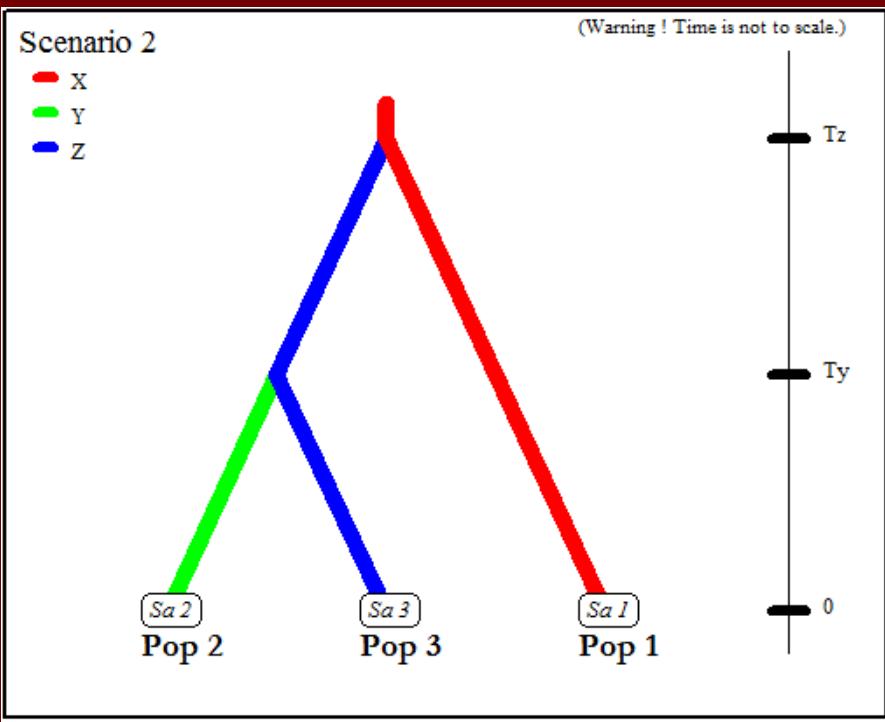
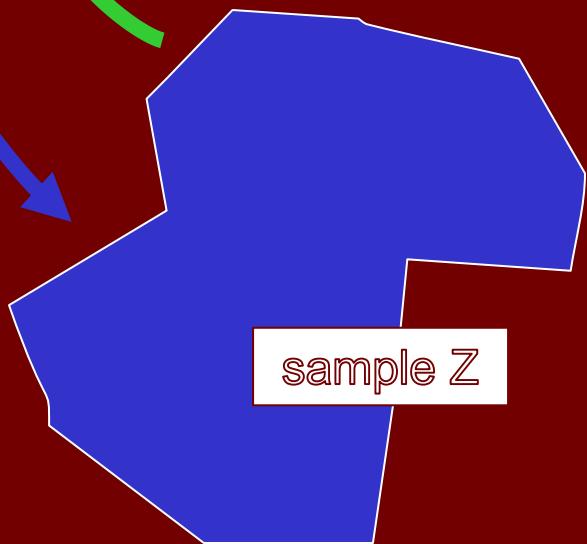
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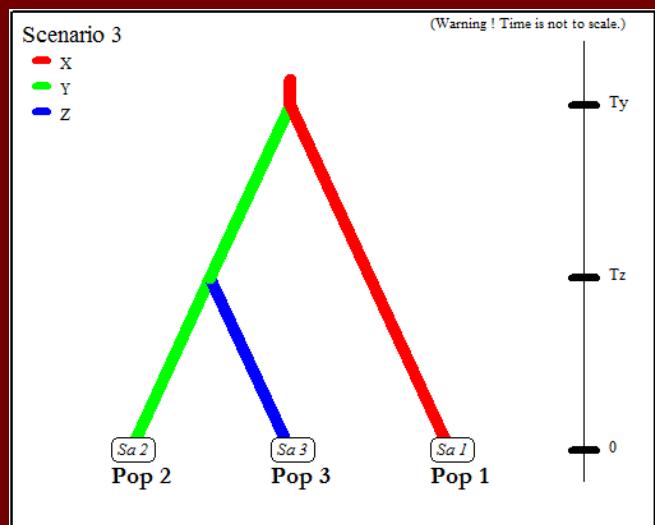
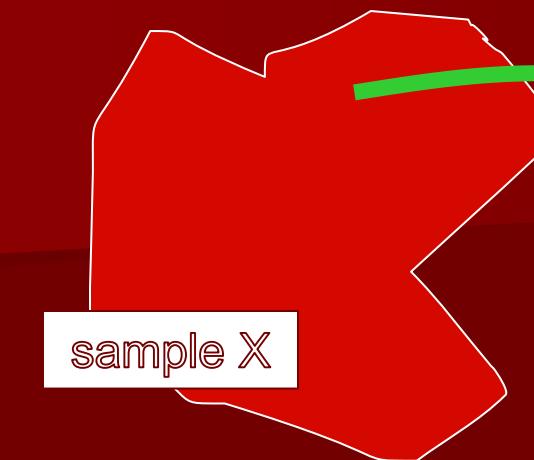


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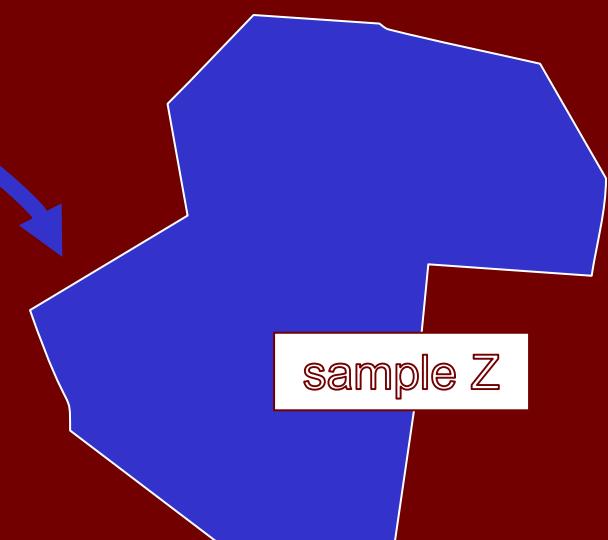
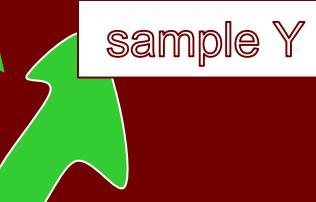


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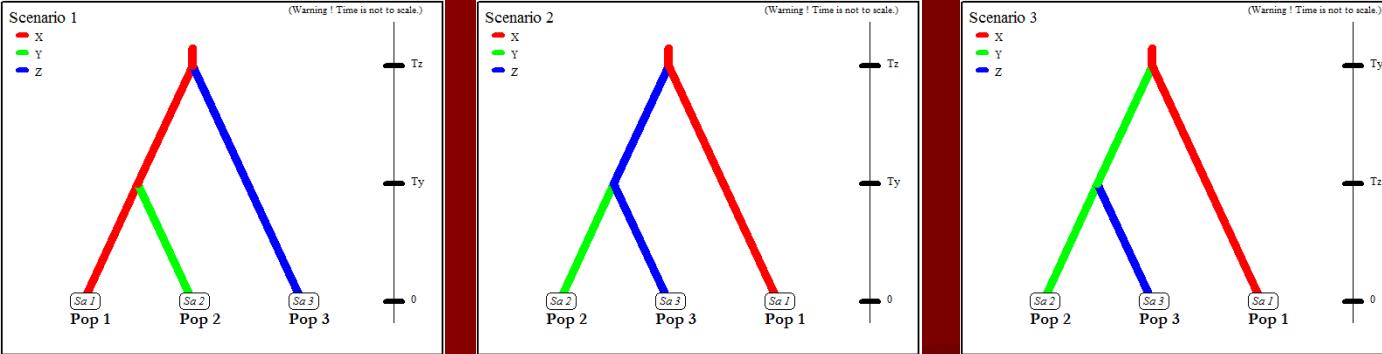


COLONIZED REGION



Prior distribution of parameters describing the scenario:
Ty, Tz --- divergence times – establishment of Y and Z
populations

Uniform distribution (min 100, max 500 generations)



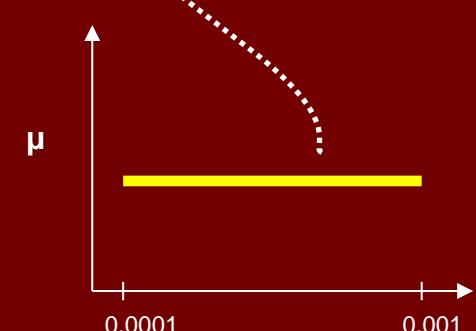
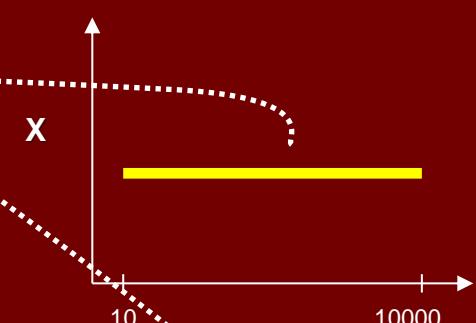
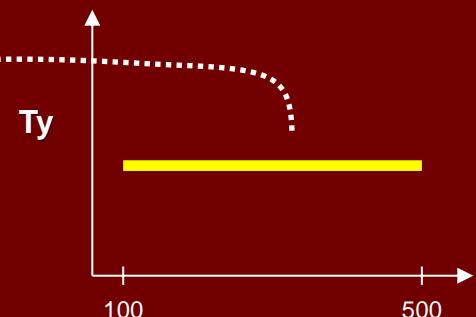
Prior distribution of parameters describing the model

Evolutionary scenarios = models

SIMULATED DATASETS

Genetic data → summary statistics

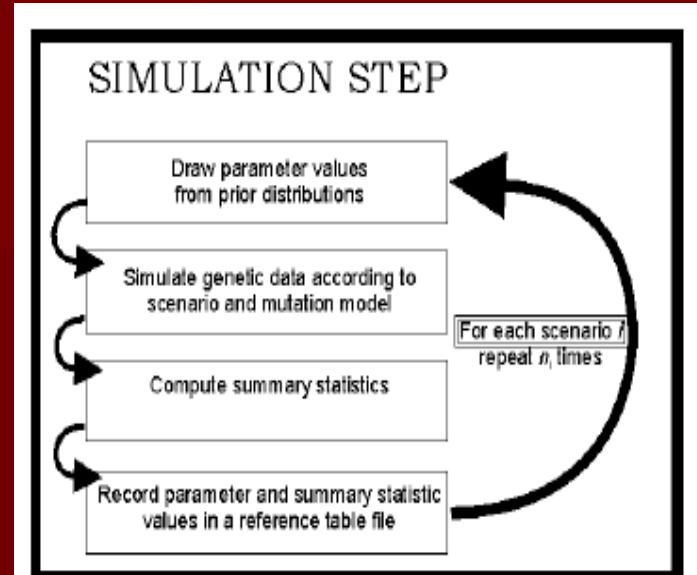
scenario	X	Y	Z	Ty	Tz	μ	mean number of alleles			mean heterozygosity		
							mean	sd	median	mean	sd	median
2	3797	7013	9839	484	486	0.00083	8.4	13.2	11.3	0.7841	0.8669	0.8589
3	3648	1355	1206	453	209	0.00072	7.9	6.1	4	0.7894	0.6371	0.5465
1	6802	7945	3929	176	346	0.0003	8.8	11.4	7.1	0.7877	0.8367	0.7824
1	4715	9090	5767	290	301	0.00048	7.5	12.6	9.1	0.7842	0.8211	0.7919
3	134	2714	3804	406	342	0.00029	1.4	4.8	4.7	0.0651	0.5182	0.5906
1	9331	902	4882	305	197	0.00096	13.6	6.5	13	0.863	0.5471	0.8294
3	1912	1785	6813	385	124	0.00035	4.3	5.5	7.1	0.5924	0.6414	0.7134



DIYABC works in 3 steps

1. SIMULATION STEP:

a very large **reference table** is produced and recorded



2. REJECTION STEP:

only the simulated data closest to the observed dataset are retained

based on Euclidian distances in multidimensional space of summary statistics

REJECTION STEP

Compute distances between observed and simulated summary statistics

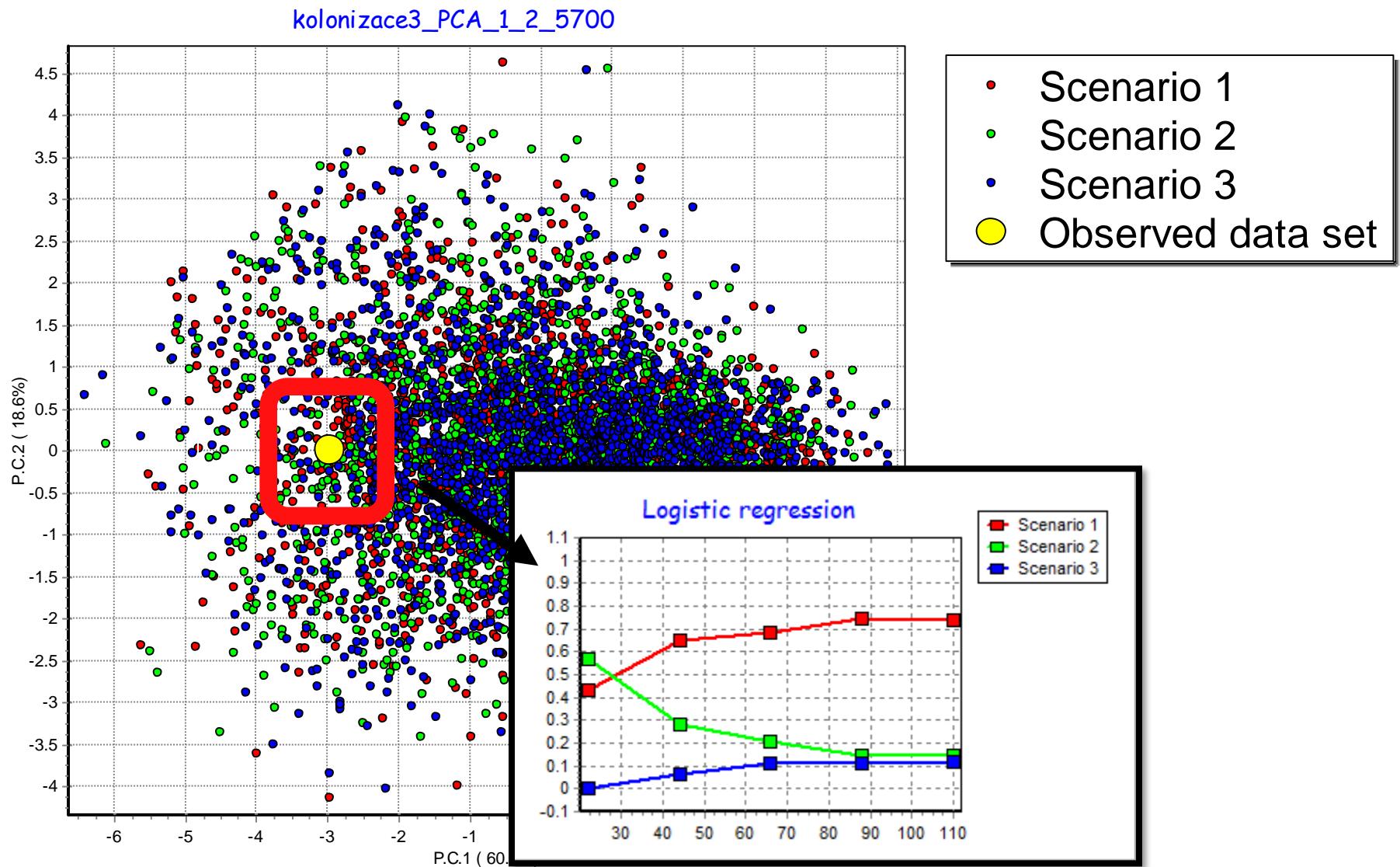
Retain simulated data sets closest to observed data

ESTIMATION STEP

Estimate posterior probability of scenarios by logistic regression

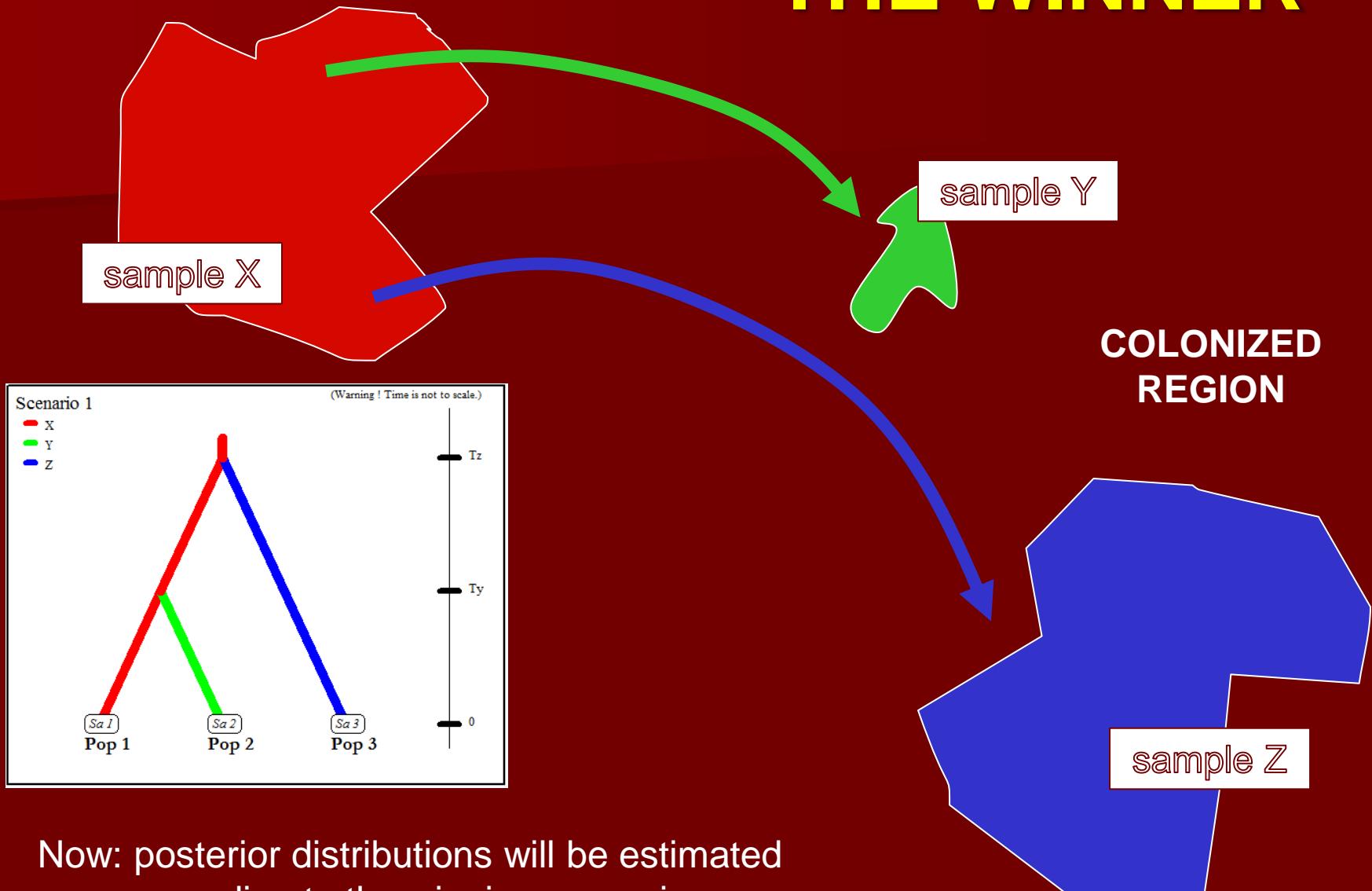
Estimate posterior distribution of parameter by local linear regression

Comparison of our observed dataset with simulated ones and inferring posterior distributions of scenarios



SOURCE REGION

THE WINNER

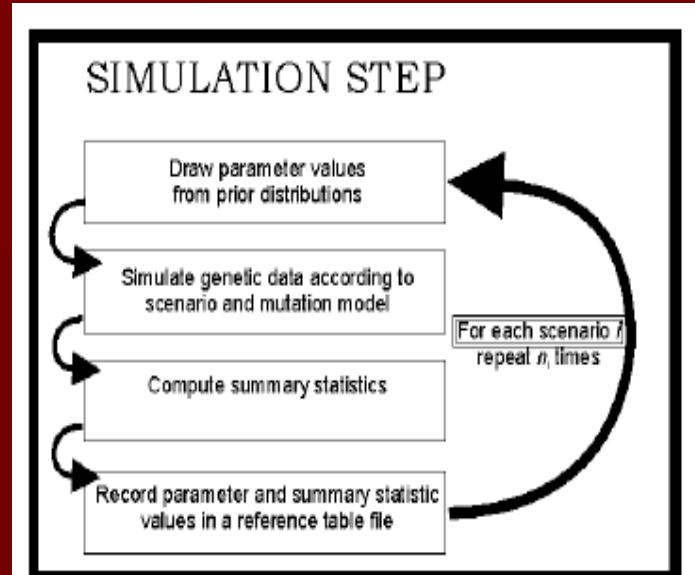


Now: posterior distributions will be estimated according to the winning scenario

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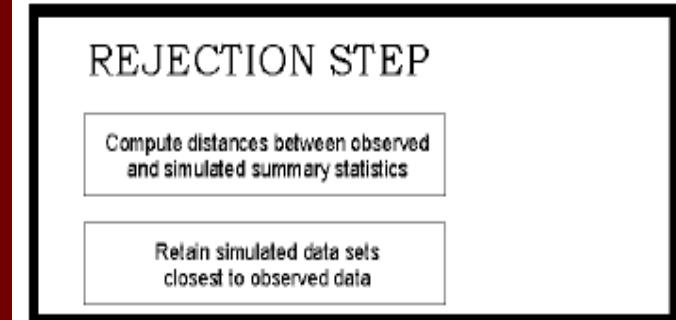
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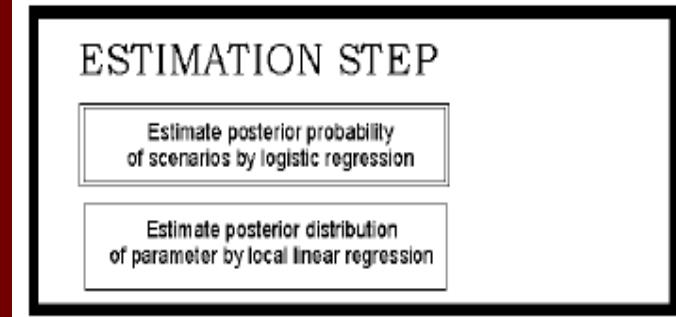
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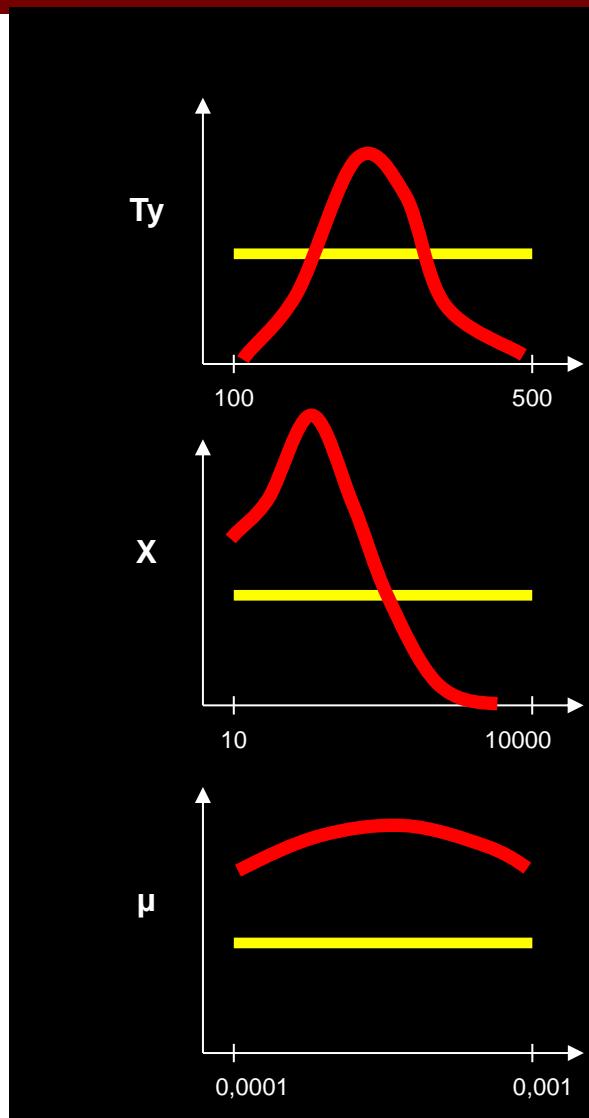
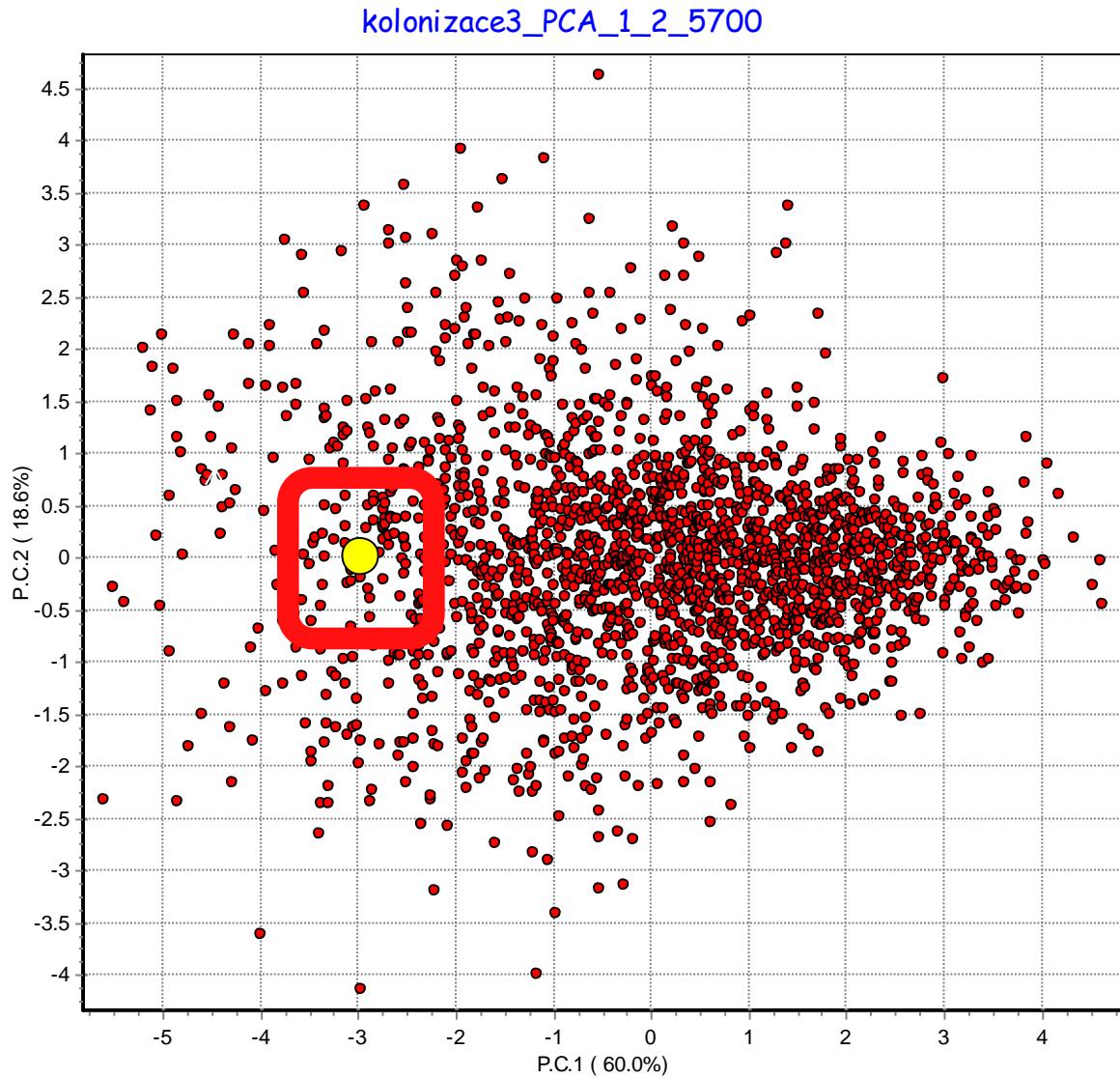


3. ESTIMATION STEP:

Estimating posterior distributions of parameters through a local linear regression procedure



Posterior distributions of parameters are estimated according to the most supported scenario

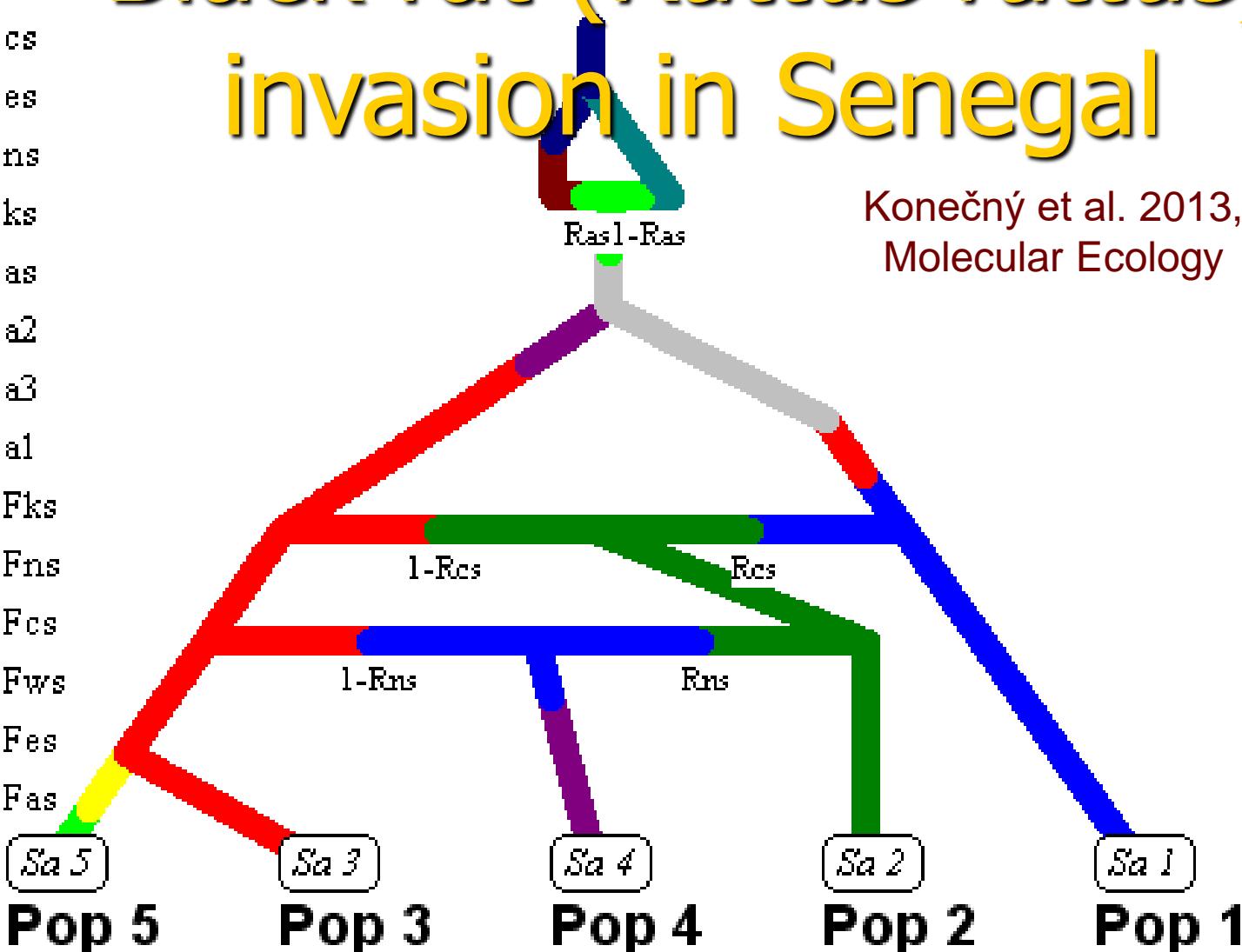


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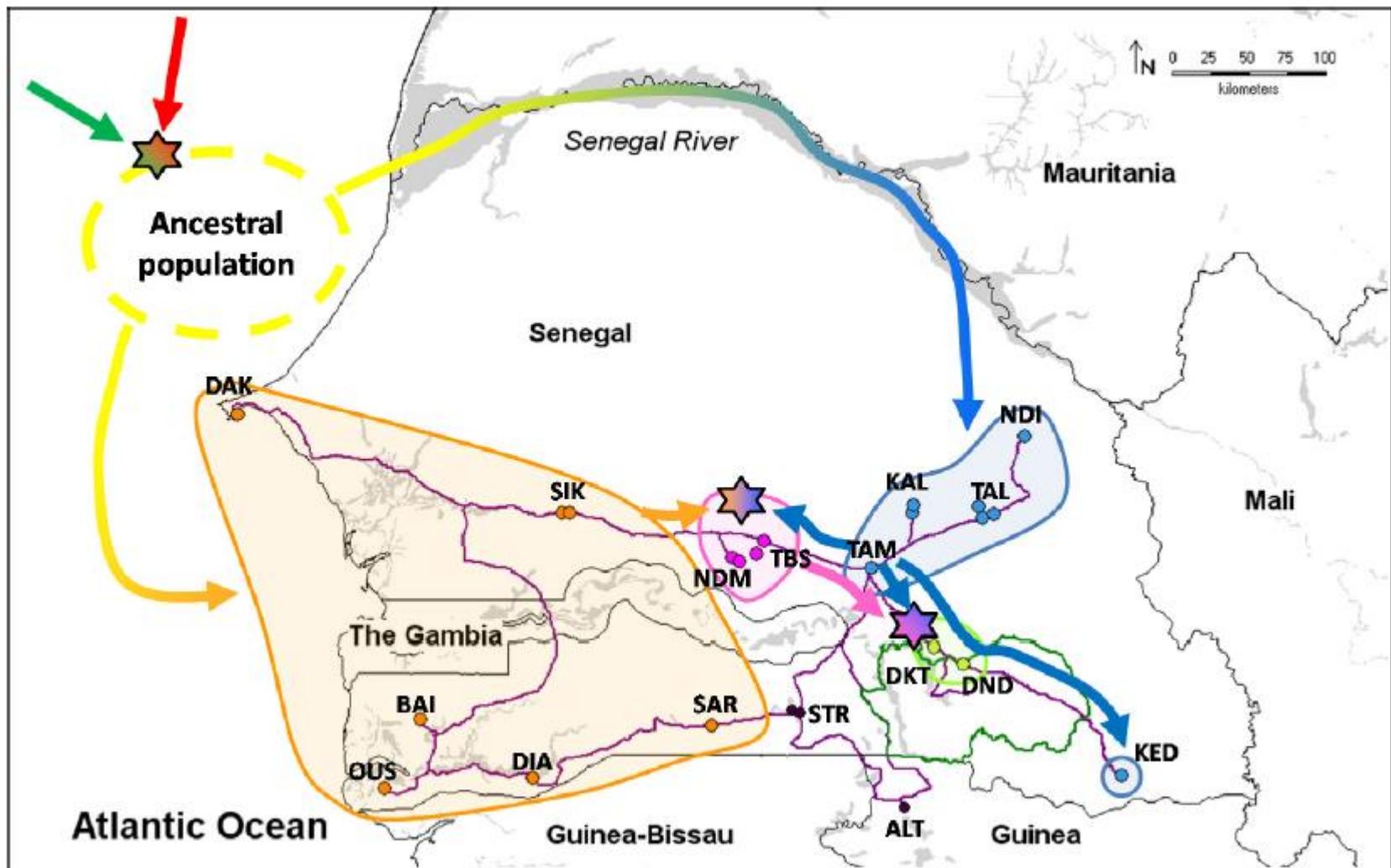
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Black rat (*Rattus rattus*) invasion in Senegal



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Description of *Rattus rattus* spread in Senegal as revealed from ABC

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