# Tumor Evolution Decoder (TED): Unveiling Tumor Evolution Based on Mutation Profiles of Subclones or Single Cells 

## (Supplementary Information)

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## Section 1 Proof of Property 4

Apparently, $G_{i}$ and $G_{j}$ must have one or more common ancestors in $T$, because at least $G_{0}$ is a common ancestor. Their common ancestors must be a group of nested sets, so there is one common ancestor that includes all other common ancestors as subsets. Let $G_{c}$ be the largest common ancestor. $G_{c} \in\left\{G_{0}, G_{1}, G_{2}, \cdots G_{N}\right\}$. $G_{c}$ is also the closest to $G_{i}$ and $G_{j}$ among all common ancestors, because all other common ancestors are its subsets. Because $G_{c} \subset G_{i}$ and $G_{c} \subset G_{j}$, $G_{c} \subseteq G_{i} \cap G_{j}$. Suppose that there is a mutation event $u \in G_{c}$ and $u \notin G_{i} \cap G_{j}$. $u$ must occur on both the path from $G_{c}$ to $G_{i}$ and the path from $G_{c}$ to $G_{j}$, which conflicts with Assumption 1. So such $u$ can not exist, and $G_{c}=G_{i} \cap G_{j}$. Thus, $G_{i} \cap G_{j}$ is the closest to $G_{i}$ and $G_{j}$ and also the largest among all their common ancestors.

## Section 2 Proof of Property 5

If $G_{i} \subset G_{j}$, then $G_{i} \cap G_{j}=G_{i} \in\left\{G_{0}, G_{1}, G_{2}, \cdots G_{N}\right\}$. If $G_{j} \subset G_{i}$, then $G_{i} \cap G_{j}=G_{j} \in$ $\left\{G_{0}, G_{1}, G_{2}, \cdots G_{N}\right\}$. If $G_{i} \not \subset G_{j}$ and $G_{i} \not \supset G_{j}$, because $G_{i} \neq G_{j}$, then $G_{i} \nsubseteq G_{j}$ and $G_{i} \nsupseteq G_{j}$. According to property $4, G_{i} \cap G_{j}$ is a common ancestor of $G_{i}$ and $G_{j}$ in $T$. So in all of the above three possible cases, $G_{i} \cap G_{j} \in\left\{G_{0}, G_{1}, G_{2}, \cdots G_{N}\right\}$.

## Section 3 Proof of Theorem 1

If $\hat{T}$ is not consistent with $T$, there must be at least one pair-wise relationship being changed. Let them be $G_{i}$ and $G_{j}$ in $T$. The change can be one of the three following cases.
(1) $\quad G_{i}$ and $G_{j}$ has an ancestor-descendant relationship in $T$. Without loss of generality, let $G_{i}$ be an ancestor of $G_{j}$. In $\widehat{T}, G_{j}$ becomes an ancestor of $G_{i}$. Then, there are back mutations that are Type II errors.
$G_{i}$ and $G_{j}$ has an ancestor-descendant relationship in $T$. Let $G_{i}$ be an ancestor of $G_{j}$. In $\hat{T}$, $G_{i}$ and $G_{j}$ do not have an ancestor-descendant relationship, which means they are no longer both in a path from $G_{0}$ to a leaf node. In such a case, consider two paths in $\widehat{T}$, which are from the closest common ancestor of $G_{i}$ and $G_{j}$ to $G_{i}$ and $G_{j}$. There must be mutations happening on both paths that cause Type I errors.
(3) In $T, G_{i}$ and $G_{j}$ do not have an ancestor-descendant relationship, which indicates $G_{i}-$ $G_{j} \neq \Phi$ and $G_{j}-G_{i} \neq \Phi$. But in $\widehat{T}$, they have an ancestor-descendant relationship. Let $G_{i}$ be an ancestor of $G_{j}$. Then, there are dropout mutations that are included in $G_{i}$ but not in $G_{j}$ and cause Type II errors.
So if $\operatorname{error}(\hat{T})=0, \widehat{T}$ is consistent with $T$. Without loss of generality, let the genomes in $\widehat{T}$ be $G_{0}, G_{1}, \cdots, G_{n}, n \leq N$. Suppose that $\hat{T}$ is not closed under intersection. Then there exist two genomes $G_{i}$ and $G_{j}, i, j \in\{1, \cdots, n\}, G_{i} \cap G_{j} \notin\left\{G_{0}, G_{1}, \cdots, G_{n}\right\} . G_{i}$ and $G_{j}$ must have at least one
common ancestor in $\widehat{T}$, because at least $G_{0}$ is their common ancestors. The common ancestors of $G_{i}$ and $G_{j}$ must be a group of nested sets. Let $G_{k}$ be the largest of them, where $k \in$ $\{0,1, \cdots, n\}, k \neq i, k \neq j . G_{i} \cap G_{j}$ must be the same as $G_{k}$, because otherwise the path from $G_{k}$ to $G_{i}$ and the path from $G_{k}$ to $G_{j}$ will share at least one mutations that cause Type I error. So $\hat{T}$ must be closed under intersection.

## Section 4 Proof of Theorem 2

Actually, we can prove starting from an initial tree constructed using any pair of genomes, Algorithm 1 Steps 4 and 5 will build a full-size phylogenetic tree with 0 error.

Algorithm 1 Step 3 constructs an initial phylogenetic tree with the normal genome $G_{0}$ and two tumor genomes (let them be $G_{1}$ and $G_{2}$ ). We denote the initial tree by $\widehat{T}_{i n i}$. There are three possible relationships between $G_{1}$ and $G_{2}$.
(1) $\quad G_{1}$ and $G_{2}$ are from two different lineages in $T$, so $G_{1} \cap G_{2}=G_{0}$. The tree generated by Step 3.1 will be selected as $\widehat{T}_{\text {ini }}$, which has 0 error.
(2) $\quad G_{1}$ and $G_{2}$ are in the same lineage and have an ancestor-descendant relationship, i.e. either $G_{1} \subset G_{2}$ or $G_{2} \subset G_{1}$. A tree generated in either Step 3.2 or Step 3.3 will be selected as $\hat{T}_{i n i}$, which has 0 error.
(3) $\quad G_{1}$ and $G_{2}$ are in the same lineage, but do not have an ancestor-descendant relationship. In this case, $G_{1} \cap G_{2} \neq \Phi, G_{1} \nsubseteq G_{2}$, and $G_{1} \nsupseteq G_{2}$. A tree generated in Step 3.4 will be selected as $\widehat{T}_{\text {ini }}$ and it has 0 error.
So in all three cases, $\widehat{T}_{i n i}$ has 0 error.
Then, suppose we have constructed a phylogenetic tree $\hat{T}$ that includes $G_{0}, G_{1}, \cdots, G_{n}$ and that $\widehat{T}$ has 0 error, which indicates $\widehat{T}$ is closed under intersection and consistent with $T$. Consider adding $G_{m}$ to $\hat{T}$ to generate $\widehat{T}_{\text {next }}$. There are three possible relationships between $G_{m}$ and $G_{0}, G_{1}, \cdots, G_{n}$.
(1) $\quad G_{m}$ is not an ancestor of any of $G_{1}, \cdots, G_{n}$ in $T$ and $G_{0}, G_{1}, \cdots, G_{n}, G_{m}$ are closed under intersection. This means $\forall i \in\{1, \cdots, n\}, G_{i} \not \supset G_{m}$ and $\forall i \in\{0,1, \cdots, n\}, G_{i} \cap G_{m} \in$ $\left\{G_{0}, G_{1}, \cdots, G_{n}\right\} . A\left(G_{m}\right)$, the set of all ancestors of $G_{m}$ in $T$, must not be empty, because it contains at least $G_{0}$ that appears in both $T$ and $\widehat{T}$. $A\left(G_{m}\right)$ must be a group of nested sets. Let $G_{i^{*}}$ be the largest set in $A\left(G_{m}\right)$ that is already included in $\widehat{T}$. Algorithm 1 Step 5.1 can add $G_{m}$ as a child node of $G_{i^{*}}$ to generate $\widehat{T}_{\text {next }}$. Apparently, $\widehat{T}_{\text {next }}$ does not have any Type II error, because there is no back/dropout mutation on the newly added edge $G_{i^{*}} \rightarrow$ $G_{m}$. Suppose $\hat{T}_{\text {next }}$ has Type I error, which must be caused by some shared mutation event between $G_{i^{*}} \rightarrow G_{m}$ and some edge already included in $\widehat{T}$. Let $u$ be such a mutation event. Then, the following two conditions must hold.
(1.a) $\forall j \in\{1, \cdots, n\}$ and $G_{j} \in A\left(G_{m}\right), u \notin G_{j}$, because $u \notin G_{i^{*}}$, which is the largest set in $A\left(G_{m}\right)$.
(1.b) Therefore, $\exists k \in\{0,1, \cdots, n\}, G_{k} \notin A\left(G_{m}\right)$ and $u \in G_{k}$.

So $u \in G_{k} \cap G_{m} \in\left\{G_{0}, G_{1}, \cdots, G_{n}\right\}$, because $G_{0}, G_{1}, \cdots, G_{n}, G_{m}$ are closed under intersection. Apparently, $G_{k} \cap G_{m} \in A\left(G_{m}\right)$ and $u \in G_{k} \cap G_{m}$, which conflicts with (1.a). So $\widehat{T}_{\text {next }}$ does not have any Type I error.
(2) $\quad G_{m}$ is an ancestor of some genome among $G_{1}, \cdots G_{n}$ in $T$, which indicates $\exists i, j \in$ $\{0,1, \cdots, n\}, G_{i} \subset G_{m} \subset G_{j}$. All genomes on the path from $G_{i}$ to $G_{j}$ in $\widehat{T}$ must also be either an ancestor or a descendent of $G_{m}$ in $T$, because $\hat{T}$ is consistent with $T$. Among them, let $G_{j^{*}}, j^{*} \in\{0,1, \cdots, n\}$, be the smallest descendent of $G_{m}$ that is already in $\widehat{T}$ and $G_{i^{*}}, i^{*} \in\{0,1, \cdots, n\}$, be the largest ancestor of $G_{m}$ that is already in $\widehat{T}$. The edge $G_{i^{*}} \rightarrow$ $G_{j^{*}}$ must exist in $\widehat{T}$. Step 5.2 can add $G_{m}$ as an intermediate node on this edge and generate a 0 -error $\hat{T}_{\text {next }}$.
(3) $\quad G_{m}$ is not an ancestor of any of $G_{1}, \cdots, G_{n}$ in $T$, and $G_{0}, G_{1}, \cdots, G_{n}, G_{m}$ are not closed under intersection. This means $\forall i \in\{1, \cdots, n\}, G_{i} \not \supset G_{m}$, and $\exists i \in\{0,1, \cdots, n\}, G_{i} \cap G_{m} \notin$ $\left\{G_{0}, G_{1}, \cdots, G_{n}, G_{m}\right\}$. Let $G_{i^{*}}, i^{*} \in\{0,1, \cdots, n\}$ be the largest ancestor of $G_{m}$ that is included in $\widehat{T}$. Apparently, in $\widehat{T}$ only the descendants of $G_{i^{*}}$ can have an intersection with $G_{m}$ that falls out of $\left\{G_{0}, G_{1}, \cdots, G_{n}, G_{m}\right\}$, because $\forall k \in\{1, \cdots, n\}$ and $G_{k} \notin D\left(G_{i^{*}}\right), G_{k} \cap$ $G_{m}=G_{k} \cap G_{i^{*}} \in\left\{G_{0}, G_{1}, \cdots, G_{n}, G_{m}\right\}$. Consider a child of $G_{i^{*}}$ in $\hat{T}$ denoted by $G_{j}, G_{m} \cap G_{j}$ is either $G_{i^{*}}$ or not included in $\left\{G_{0}, G_{1}, \cdots, G_{n}, G_{m}\right\}$. If $G_{m} \cap G_{j}=G_{i^{*}}$, which means $G_{i^{*}}$ is the closest common ancestor to $G_{m}$ and $G_{j}$ in $T$, then $\forall s \in\{1, \cdots, n\}$ and $G_{s} \in D\left(G_{j}\right)$, $G_{m} \cap G_{s}=G_{i^{*}} \in\left\{G_{0}, G_{1}, \cdots, G_{n}, G_{m}\right\}$. So there must be at least one child of $G_{i^{*}}$ whose intersection with $G_{m}$ is not included in $\left\{G_{0}, G_{1}, \cdots, G_{n}, G_{m}\right\}$.
Suppose that $\exists j_{1}, j_{2} \in\{1, \cdots, n\}$, both $G_{j_{1}}$ and $G_{j_{2}}$ are children of $G_{i^{*}}$ in $\hat{T}$ and that both $G_{m} \cap G_{j_{1}}$ and $G_{m} \cap G_{j_{2}}$ are not in $\left\{G_{0}, G_{1}, \cdots, G_{n}, G_{m}\right\} . G_{m} \cap G_{j_{1}}$ and $G_{m} \cap G_{j_{2}}$ can not be the same; otherwise $G_{m} \cap G_{j_{1}}=G_{m} \cap G_{j_{2}} \supset G_{i^{*}} \Longrightarrow G_{j_{1}} \cap G_{j_{2}} \supset G_{i^{*}}$, giving the error of duplicated mutations on the edge $G_{i^{*}} \rightarrow G_{j_{1}}$ and the edge $G_{i^{*}} \rightarrow G_{j_{2}}$ in $\widehat{T}$. So $G_{m} \cap G_{j_{1}}$ and $G_{m} \cap G_{j_{2}}$ are different. Then, in $T$ there are two paths from $G_{i^{*}}$ to $G_{m}$, one through $G_{m} \cap$ $G_{j_{1}}$ and the other through $G_{m} \cap G_{j_{2}}$, which also cause duplicated mutations in $T$. Thus, there must be one and only one child of $G_{i^{*}}$ in $\widehat{T}$ (denoted by $G_{j^{*}}$ ) that gives $G_{m} \cap G_{j^{*}} \notin$ $\left\{G_{0}, G_{1}, \cdots, G_{n}, G_{m}\right\}$.
Algorithm 1 Step 5.3 will add two genomes, i.e. $G_{m} \cap G_{j^{*}}$ and $G_{m}$, to $\hat{T}$ as illustrated by Fig. 3d. Apparently, the resulted $\widehat{T}_{n e x t}$ does not have any Type II error. Because $G_{m} \cap G_{j^{*}}$ is the closest common ancestor to $G_{m}$ and $G_{j^{*}}$ in $T$, the edge $G_{m} \cap G_{j^{*}} \rightarrow G_{m}$ will not share any mutation with other edges in $\hat{T}_{\text {next }}$. So $\hat{T}_{\text {next }}$ does not have any Type I error neither.
In all of the three possible cases, Algorithm 1 Step 5 will always generate an error-free $\widehat{T}_{\text {next }}$. Thus, when Algorithm 1 ends, the full-size phylogenetic tree must have 0 error, and thus is consistent with $T$.

## Section 5 An Example Of Edge Pruning

We pick one of the simulation datasets used for performance evaluation to illustrate the edge pruning effect. It is a dataset of $5 \%$ noise level, i.e. 20 out of the 400 mutation features are random noise. Fig. S1b and Fig. S1c show the phylogenetic trees before and after edge pruning, respectively, where the true tree is given in Fig. S1a. In this case, both Options of Algorithm 2 give the same pruned tree that is identical to the true tree. Option 1 is set to keep 8 tumor genomes and Option 2 is set to remove edges whose lengths are shorter than $50 \%$ of the average edge length in the tree before edge pruning starts.


Figure S1 An illustration of using Algorithm 2 to prune noisy edges in a tree constructed by Algorithm 1 (a) The evolution process used for generating the simulation data. (b) The estimated phylogenetic tree constructed by Algorithm 1 without pruning. The numeric values on the edges are the edge lengths. (c) The estimated phylogenetic tree obtained after pruning edges using Algorithm 2. Both Option 1 and Option 2 give the same pruned tree, which is consistent with the ground truth (a).

