

## Supplementary Material

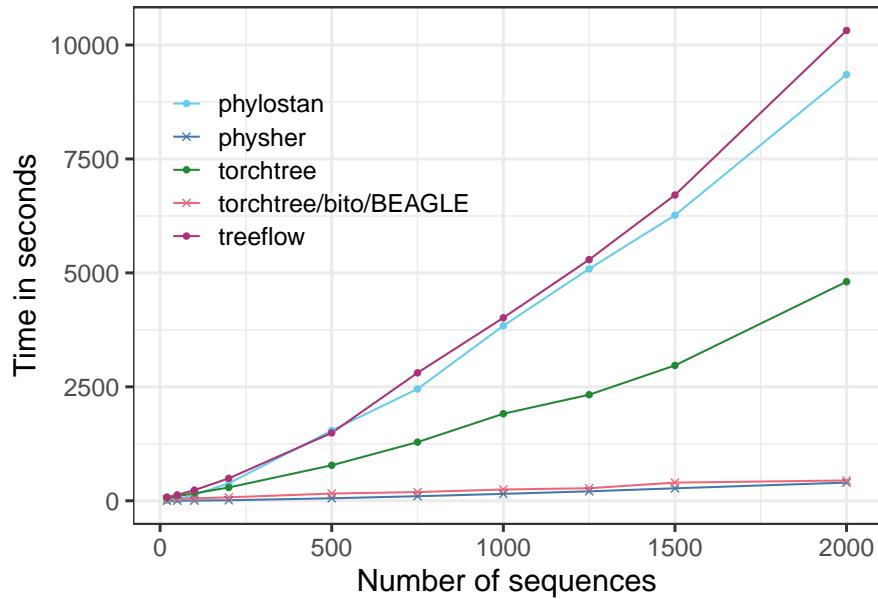


Figure S1: Speed of implementations for 5000 iterations of variational time-tree inference with a strict clock.

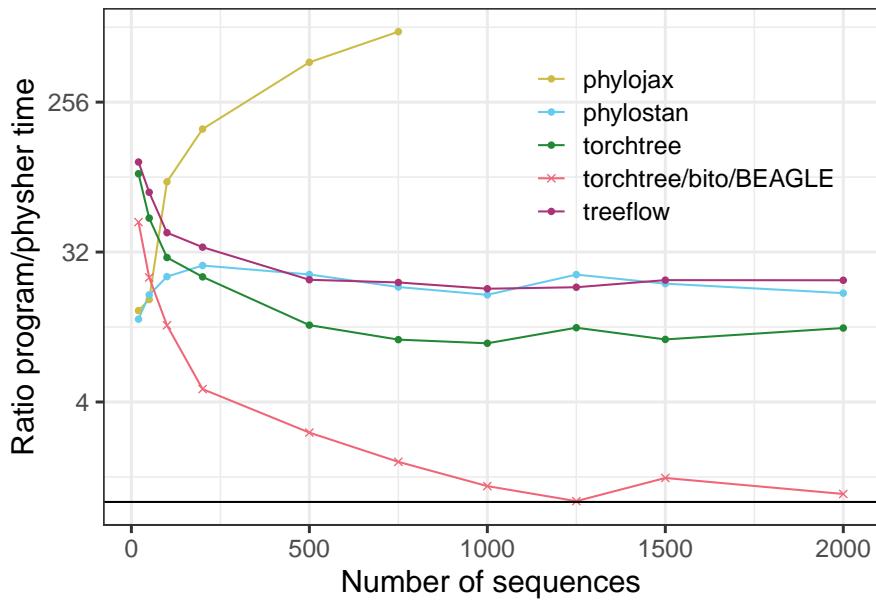


Figure S2: Relative performance of each implementation against physher. The black horizontal line intersects the  $y$ -axis at 1.

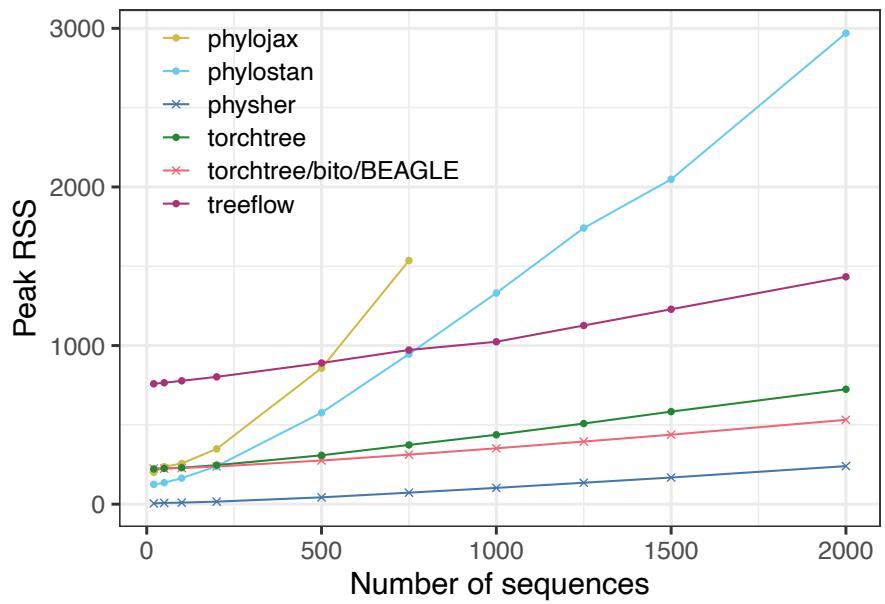


Figure S3: Peak RSS (resident set size) memory usage of implementations for 5000 iterations of variational time-tree inference with a strict clock.

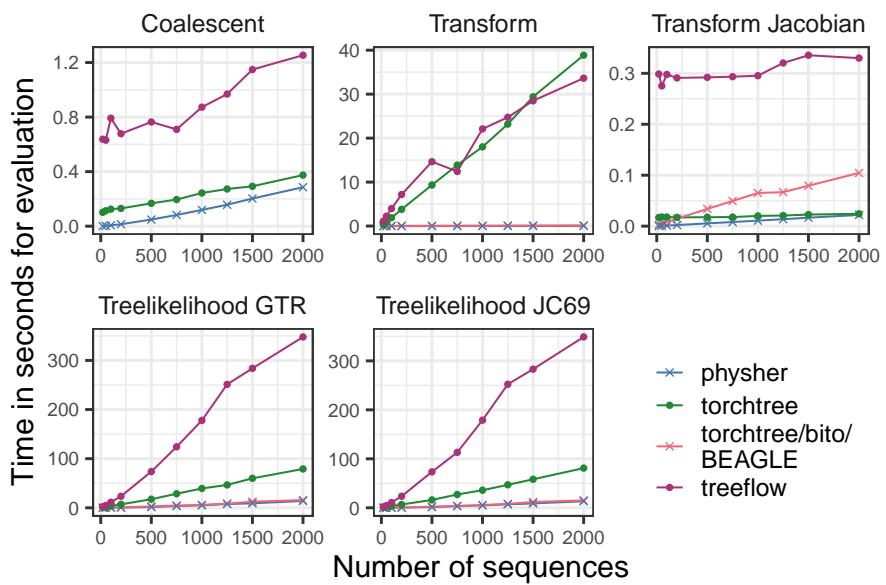


Figure S4: Speed of implementations for the evaluation component for various inferential tasks. See text for description of the tasks. `phylojax` results are excluded from this plot; see Figure S6 for `phylojax`. See Figure S6 for function evaluations.

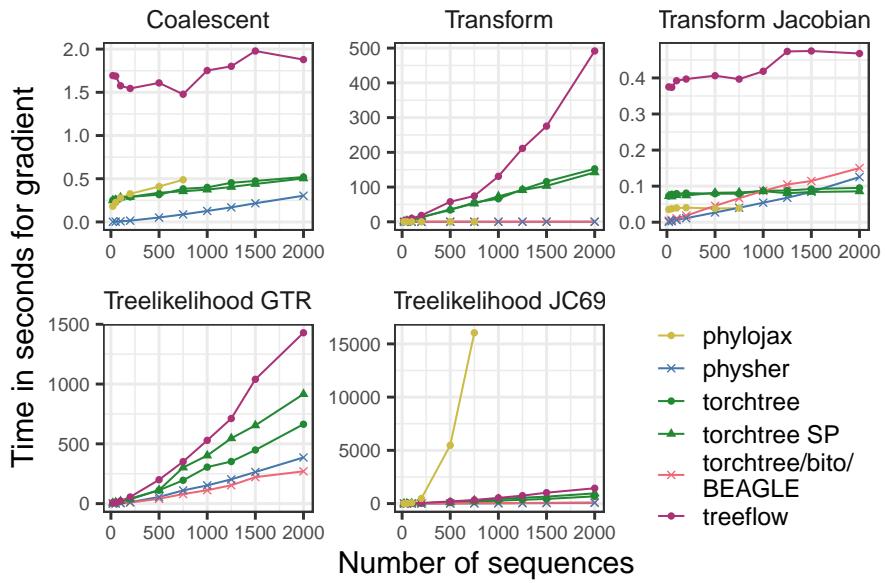


Figure S5: Speed of implementations for the gradient component for various inferential tasks. The `torchtree` SP label denotes `torchtree` running with single precision. Just-in-time compilation is enabled for `phylojax`.

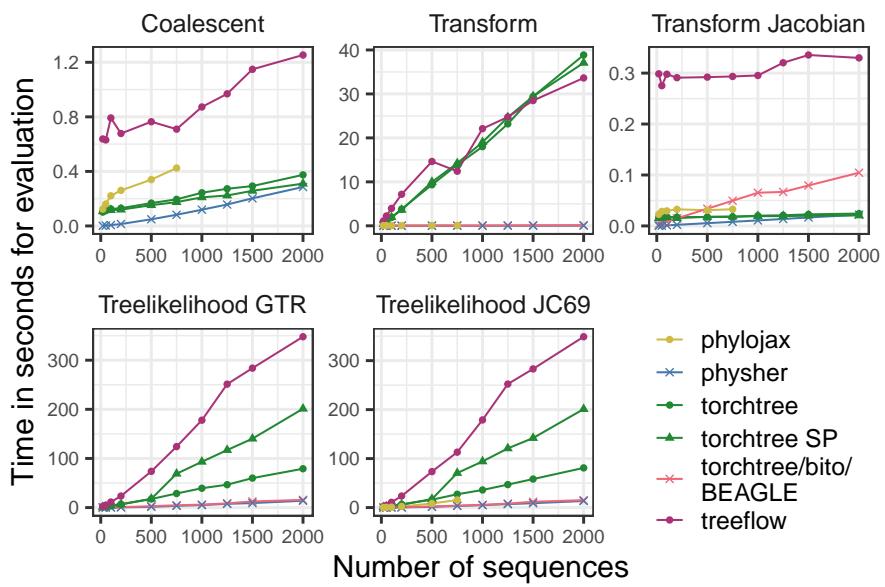


Figure S6: Speed of implementations for the evaluation component for various inferential tasks. The `torchtree` SP label denotes `torchtree` running with single precision. Just-in-time compilation is enabled for `phylojax`.

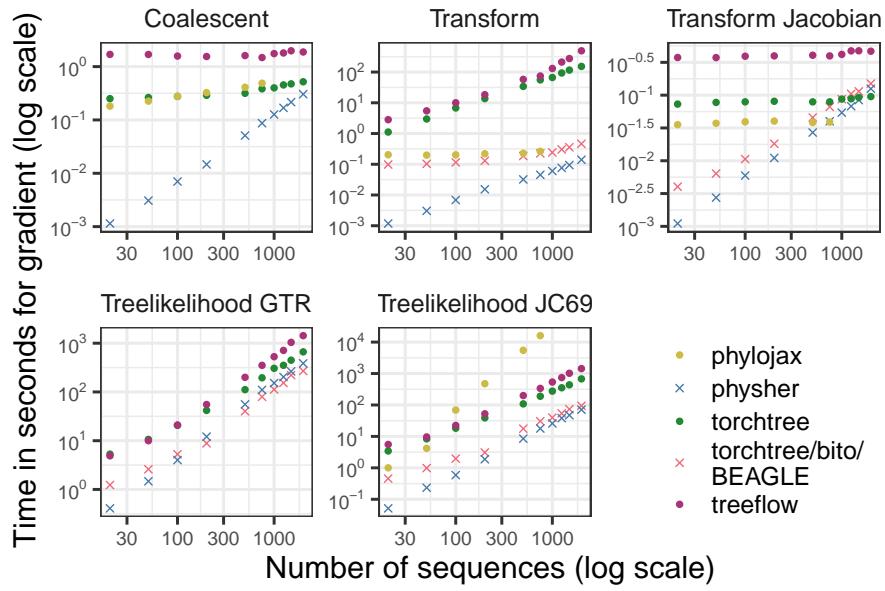


Figure S7: Log-log plot of gradient calculation time against dataset size for various inferential tasks. Just-in-time compilation is enabled for `phylojax`.

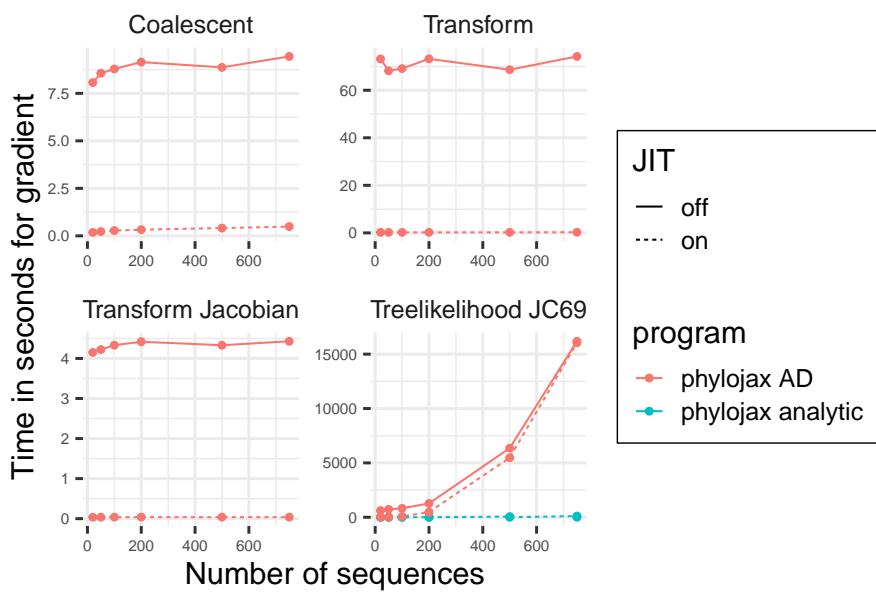


Figure S8: Gradient calculation time against dataset size for various inferential tasks with *phylojax*. Gradient are calculated using automatic differentiation (AD) or finite differences. Just-in-time (JIT) compilation is either turned on or off.