

Fig. S1. Photographs of the trees used in this study. Photographs of tree 4 (a), tree 9 (b), tree 13 and 14 (c), and tree 15 (d) with branches labeled. Leaf samples were collected from each branch.



Fig. S2. Schematic drawings of additional trees in the study. Schematic drawings of tree 4 (a), tree 9 (b), tree 13 and 14 (c), and tree 15 (d) with estimated terminal branch ages and age where branch meets the main stem (gray italic). Leaf samples were collected from each branch for genomic sequencing libraries.



Fig. S3. Duplications contain a higher proportion of genic sequences and deletions contain a higher proportion of repeat sequence. a) For deletions (Del, green) and duplications (Dup, purple) structural variants grouped by size, distribution of the proportion of the SV sequence that overlaps with an annotate gene. Same as a except proportion of the SV sequence that overlaps transposons and repeat sequences. Genome-null (gray) is measured for 10-kb windows across the genome. Diamond represents the group mean. Number of SVs in each group is specified above b.



Fig. S4. Genome weighted methylation levels. Genome-wide weighted methylation level for mCG (red), mCHG (blue), and mCHH (yellow) for samples in tree 13 and tree 14.



Fig. S5. Somatic epimutation rates for single sites, regions, and by genomic feature in the CHH context. Methylation divergence by branch time divergence for single sites and regions (a) and genomic features (b). c) Estimated methylation gain rate, α , by feature. d) Estimated methylation loss rate, β , by feature. e) Estimated ratio of loss to gain, β/α . An F-test was used comparing the neutral model vs null model (Supplementary Text). See Table S9 for *P* values. Error bars represent bootstrapped 95% confidence intervals of the estimates. If there is no significant effect of branch age for the feature, it is marked n.s. Abbreviations: Pro, promoter (2 kb upstream of TSS); TE, transposable elements and repeats; and IGR, intergenic regions.



Fig. S6. Comparison of original and replicate methylome data sets. (a) mCG divergence of the original data vs the replicated data set from the same tree. F- and *P* value show significant accumulation of mCG changes over time in both data sets. (b) estimated rate of methylation gain and (c) loss; (d) ratio of loss over gain of methylation. (e) mCG divergence, (f) gain rate, (g) loss rate and (h) loss over gain ratio for only branch 13 of both the original and the replicate data set. The F- and *P* values in (e) suggest no significant time-dependent accumulation of epimutations among leafs of only branch 13. Error bars in (b), (c), (f), (g) represent the standard errors generated during bootstrapping.



Fig. S7. Pseudo allele states of DMRs among samples. a) Pseduo allele state of each tested DMR (N = 4,488) for each branch. b) Branches 13.1 and 14.2 proportionally have more homozygous methylated pseudo alleles than the older branches. Possible pseudo allele states are homozygous methylated (dark green), heterozygous (medium green), and homozygous unmethylated (light green).



Fig. S8. Gene expression of differentially expressed genes is rarely correlated to methylation level of nearby differentially methylated regions. Each point represents a differentially expressed gene-differentially methylated region pair where the DMR is in the gene body or within 2-kb upstream. Correlation is the Pearson's correlation between gene expression, average of replicates as TPM, and weighted methylation level. Pearson's correlation test, two-sided, was performed on each pair then multiple test corrected using Benjamini-Hochberg (N = 382, FDR=0.05). Red dashed line is the significance threshold, adjusted *P* value \leq 0.05. Significant DEG-DMR pairs are colored red.



Fig. S9. Syntenic *Nisqually* marker placements on the *Populus trichocarpa* var. *Stettler* chromosomes. Each point represents a *Nisqually* marker positioned along the *Nisqually* chromosome along the x-axis and *Stettler* chromosome along the y-axis.



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mutSOMA: Estimating somatic mutation rates from high-throughput sequencing data in trees

We developed *mutSOMA*, a computational method for estimating somatic mutation rates from high-throughput sequencing data in trees. The method treats the tree branching structure as an intra-organism phylogeny of somatic lineages. Its analytical framework builds on ideas introduced in van der Graaf et al. (2015) and Shahryary et al. 2019 (co-submission). Software implementing the method can be found at (https://github.com/jlab-code/mutSOMA).



Figure 1: Long-lived perennials, such as trees, can be viewed as a natural mutation accumulation system. In this case, the tree branching structure can be treated as an intra-organismal phylogeny of somatic lineages that carry information about the mutational history of each branch. Re-sequencing data is obtained from leaf samples of selected branches. *mutSOMA* uses the genotype data of the samples along with the coring data to estimate the per year rate of somatic mutations. L1, L2, L3, L4 denote the branches of the tree; blue circles denote sequenced samples; grey circles denote branch points. Highlighted are samples *i* and *j* and the corresponding branch ages t_{μ} , t_{j} as well as the age of the most recent common branch point t_{μ} .

Calculating genetic divergence

We start from the variant calls (i.e. .vcf files) obtained from different branches of the tree (**Figure 1**). For the i-th sample (i = 1, ..., M) we let g_{ik} be the observed genotype at the k-th locus (k = 1, ..., N), where N is the effective genome size (i.e. the total number of bases with sufficient coverage). With four possible nucleotides (A, C, T, G), g_{ik} can have 16 possible genotypes in a diploid genome, 4 homozygous (A|A, T|T, C|C, G|G) and 12 heterozygous (A|G, A|T, ..., G|C). The \cdot rotation refers to the

nucleotide on the forward (+) strand on each of the two homologous chromosomes. Using this coding, we calculate the genetic divergence, D, between any two samples i and j as follows:

$$D_{ij} = \sum_{k=1}^{N} I(g_{ik}, g_{jk}) N^{-1},$$
(1)

where $I(\cdot)$ is an indicator function, such that, $I(\cdot) = 0$ if the two samples share no alleles at locus k (e.g. A|A and G|G), 0.5 if they share one (e.g. A|A and A|G), and 1 if they share both alleles (e.g. A|A and A|A). We suppose that D_{ij} is related to the developmental divergence time of samples *i* and *j* through a somatic mutation model. The divergence times (in years) are calculated from the coring data (**Figure 1**).

Modelling age-dependent genetic divergence

We model the time-dependent genetic divergence between samples using

$$D_{ij} = c + D_{ij}^{\bullet}(M_{\Theta}) + \epsilon_{ij}.$$
 (2)

Here $\epsilon_{ij} \sim N(0, \sigma^2)$ is the normally distributed residual error, c is the intercept, and $D_{ij}^{\bullet}(M_{\Theta})$ is the expected genetic divergence between samples i and j as a function of an underlying mutation model $M(\cdot)$ with parameter vector Θ . Parameter vector Θ contains the unknown mutation rate γ and the unknown level of heterozygosity δ of the 'founder cells' of the tree (see Figure 1). The estimation of the residual variance in the model accounts for the fact that part of the observed genetic divergence between any two samples is driven by genotyping errors. We have that

$$D_{ij}^{\bullet}(M_{\Theta}) = \sum_{n \in v} \sum_{l \in v} \sum_{m \in v} I(l,m)$$

$$\cdot Pr(g_{ik} = l, g_{jk} = m | g_{ijk} = n, M_{\Theta})$$

$$\cdot Pr(g_{ijk} = n | M_{\Theta}),$$

where g_{ijk} is the genotype at the k locus of the most recent progenitor cells that are developmentally shared between samples i and j, and $v \in \{A|A, T|T, C|C, ..., G|T\}$. Since the two samples are conditionally independent, we can further write:

$$Pr(g_{ik}, g_{jk}|g_{ijk}, M_{\Theta}) = Pr(g_{ik}|g_{ijk}, M_{\Theta}) \cdot Pr(g_{jk}|g_{ijk}, M_{\Theta}).$$

To be able to evaluate these conditional probabilities it is necessary to posit an explicit form for the somatic mutation model, M_{Θ} . To motivate this, we define $\mathbf{G}_{(16\times 16)}$ to be a 16 × 16 transition matrix, which summarizes the probability of transitioning from genotype l to m in the time interval [t, t + 1]. **G** can be written in the following partitioned form:

$$\mathbf{G}_{(16 imes16)} = egin{pmatrix} \mathbf{T1}_{(4 imes4)} & \mathbf{T2}_{(4 imes12)} \ \hline \mathbf{T3}_{(12 imes4)} & \mathbf{T4}_{(12 imes12)} \end{pmatrix}$$

where sub-matrices **T1**, **T2**, **T3** and **T4** contain the transition probabilities between homozygous to homozygous, homozygous to heterozygous, heterozygous to homozygous and heterozygous to heterozygous genotypes, respectively. Explicit elements of each of these matrices can be worked out and hold for both somatic and clonally propagated systems. As there is no genetic segregation, the elements of this matrix are only governed by the mutation rate γ . For instance, symmetrical sub-matrix **T1** is

$$\mathbf{T1}_{(4\times4)} = \begin{bmatrix} (1-\gamma)^2 & \frac{1}{9}\gamma^2 & \frac{1}{9}\gamma^2 & \frac{1}{9}\gamma^2 \\ \cdot & (1-\gamma)^2 & \frac{1}{9}\gamma^2 & \frac{1}{9}\gamma^2 \\ \cdot & \cdot & (1-\gamma)^2 & \frac{1}{9}\gamma^2 \\ \cdot & \cdot & (1-\gamma)^2 & \frac{1}{9}\gamma^2 \\ \cdot & \cdot & (1-\gamma)^2 & \frac{1}{9}\gamma^2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} A|A|(t) \\ C|C|(t) \\ T|T|(t) \\ G|G|(t) \end{bmatrix}$$

, and $\mathbf{T4}$ is

$$\mathbf{T4}_{(12\times12)} = \begin{bmatrix} (1-\gamma)^2 & \frac{1}{3}(1-\gamma)\gamma & \cdot & \frac{1}{9}\gamma^2 \\ \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot \\ \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & \frac{1}{9}\gamma^2 \\ \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & \frac{1}{9}\gamma^2 \\ \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & (1-\gamma)^2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{A}|\mathbf{C}|(\mathbf{t}) \\ \mathbf{A}|\mathbf{T}|(\mathbf{t}) \\ \cdot \\ \mathbf{G}|\mathbf{T}|(\mathbf{t}) \end{bmatrix}$$

Based on Markov chain theory, the conditional probability $Pr(g_{ik}|g_{ijk}, M_{\Theta})$ can then be expressed in terms of **G** as follows:

$$\sum_{n \in v} Pr(g_{ik} = v_r | g_{ijk} = n, M_{\Theta}) = \sum_{s=1}^{16} \left[\mathbf{G}^{t_i - t_{ij}} \right]_{rs}$$

where r = 1, ..., 16 is a fixed index corresponding to genotype vector {A|A, C|C, ..., G|T }, t_i is the age of sample *i* and t_{ij} is the age of the most recent common branch point of samples *i* and *j*, $(t_{ij} \leq t_i, t_j)$. Expressions for $Pr(g_{jk}|g_{ijk}, M_{\Theta}, t_j)$ can be derived accordingly, by simply replacing t_i by t_j in the above equation. Note that the calculation of these conditional probabilities requires repeated matrix multiplication. However, a direct evaluation of these equations is also possible using the fact that

$$\mathbf{G}^{t_i-t_{ij}} = \mathbf{p}\mathbf{V}^{t_i-t_{ij}}\mathbf{p}^{-1}$$
 and $\mathbf{G}^{t_j-t_{ij}} = \mathbf{p}\mathbf{V}^{t_j-t_{ij}}\mathbf{p}^{-1}$,

where **p** is the eigenvector of matrix **G** and **V** is a diagonal matrix of eigenvalues. Finally, to derive $D_{ij}^{\bullet}(M_{\Theta})$, we also need to supply $Pr(g_{ijk} = n|M_{\Theta})$; that is, the probability that any given locus k in most recent shared progenitor cells of i and j is in state n ($n \in \{A|A, C|C, \ldots, G|T\}$). To do this, consider the genome of the hypothetical founder cell of tree at time t = 1, and let $\pi = [p_1 \ p_2 \ p_3 \ \ldots \ p_{16}]$ be a row vector of probabilities corresponding to 16 possible genotypes, respectively. Using Markov Chain theory we have

$$Pr(g_{ijk} = v_r | M_{\Theta}) = \left[\pi \mathbf{G}^{(t_{ij}-1)} \right]_r.$$

Assuming that *Populus trichocarpa* genome is at an evolutionary mutation equilibrium, we can obtained the probability elements of vector π as follows

$$p_1 = \frac{x(A|A)}{N}(1-\delta), \qquad p_2 = \frac{x(C|C)}{N}(1-\delta), \qquad \dots, \qquad p_{16} = \frac{x(G|T)}{12N}\delta$$

where $\delta \in [0, 1]$ is the overall level of heterozygosity in the genome, $x(\cdot)$ is the frequency count of the loci with that particular genotype, and N is the effective genome size.

Model inference

To obtain estimates for Θ , we seek to minimize

$$\nabla \sum_{q=1}^{M} \left(D_q - D_q^{\bullet}(M_{\Theta}) - c \right)^2 = \mathbf{0}, \tag{3}$$

where the summation is over all M unique pairs of sequenced samples in the pedigree. Minimization is performed using the "Nelder-Mead" algorithm as part of the optimx package in R.

Confidence intervals

We obtain confidence intervals for the estimated model parameters by boostrapping the model residuals. The procedure has the following steps: 1. For the qth sample pair q ($q = 1, \dots, M$) we define a new response variable $B_q = \hat{D}_q + \hat{\epsilon}_k$, where \hat{D}_q is the fitted divergence for the qth pair, and $\hat{\epsilon}_k$ is drawn at random and with replacement from the $1 \times M$ vector of fitted model residuals; 2. Refit the model using the new response variable, and obtain estimates for the model parameters. 3. Repeat steps 1. to 2. a large number of times to obtain a boostrap distribution. 4. Use the bootrap distribution from 3. to obtain empirical confidence intervals.