

# Cmpnets Command

## Description

Computes the distance between two phylogenetic networks, based on their topologies. Three measures are currently implemented:

- Tree-based measure. (-m tree)
- Tripartition-based measure. (-m tri)
- Cluster-based measure. (-m cluster)
- Reduction-based measure (Nakhleh, L. (2010)). (-m luay)

The networks must be specified in the [Rich Newick Format](#).

This program returns three numbers: the false negative rate (roughly, the trees/tripartitions/clusters found in the first network but not the second, divided by the number of trees/tripartitions/clusters in the first network), the false positive rate (roughly, the trees/tripartitions/clusters found in the second network but not the first, divided by the number of trees/tripartitions/clusters in the second network), and the average of the two rates (their sum divided by 2).

If reduction-based measure is used, this program returns only one number: the distance.

## Usage

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cmpnets network_ident1 network_ident2 -m [tree|tri|cluster|luay] [resultOutputFile]
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| <i>network_ident1</i>      | The name of the first network.                             | mandatory |
| <i>network_ident2</i>      | The name of the second network.                            | mandatory |
| -m [tree tri cluster luay] | Characterization mode. One of tree, tri, cluster, or luay. | mandatory |
| <i>resultOutputFile</i>    | Optional file destination for command output.              | optional  |

## Examples

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#NEXUS

BEGIN NETWORKS;

Network net1 = ((a,(b,(c)x#1)),((d,x#1),e));
Network net2 = (((a, (c)x#1), d), (b, x)), e);

END;

BEGIN PHYLONET;

Cmpnets net1 net2 -m cluster;

END;
```

## Command References

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## See Also

- [List of PhyloNet Commands](#)