

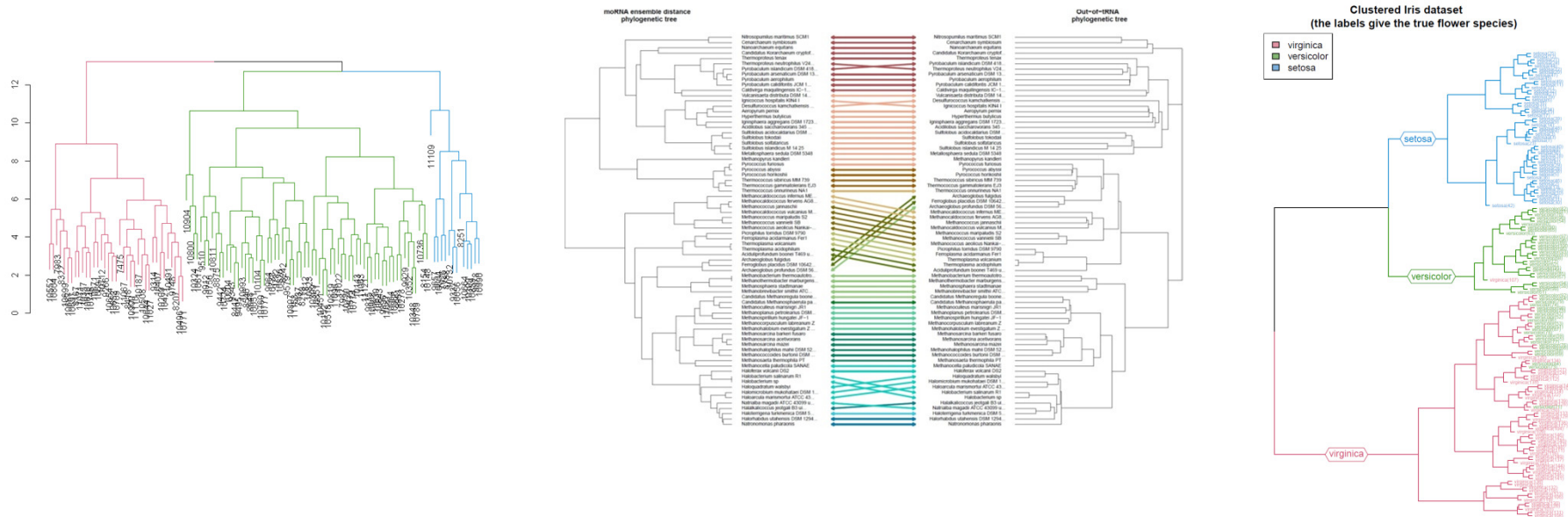


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# *dendextend*: an R package for easier manipulation and visualization of dendrograms

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## Talk outline:

- hclust => dendrogram
- Using *dendextend* for
  - Manipulation
  - Visualization
  - Comparison
- Speed (*dendextendRcpp*)

# Toy data: the *precip* dataset

The average amount of rainfall (precipitation) in inches, for many US cities (in 1975).

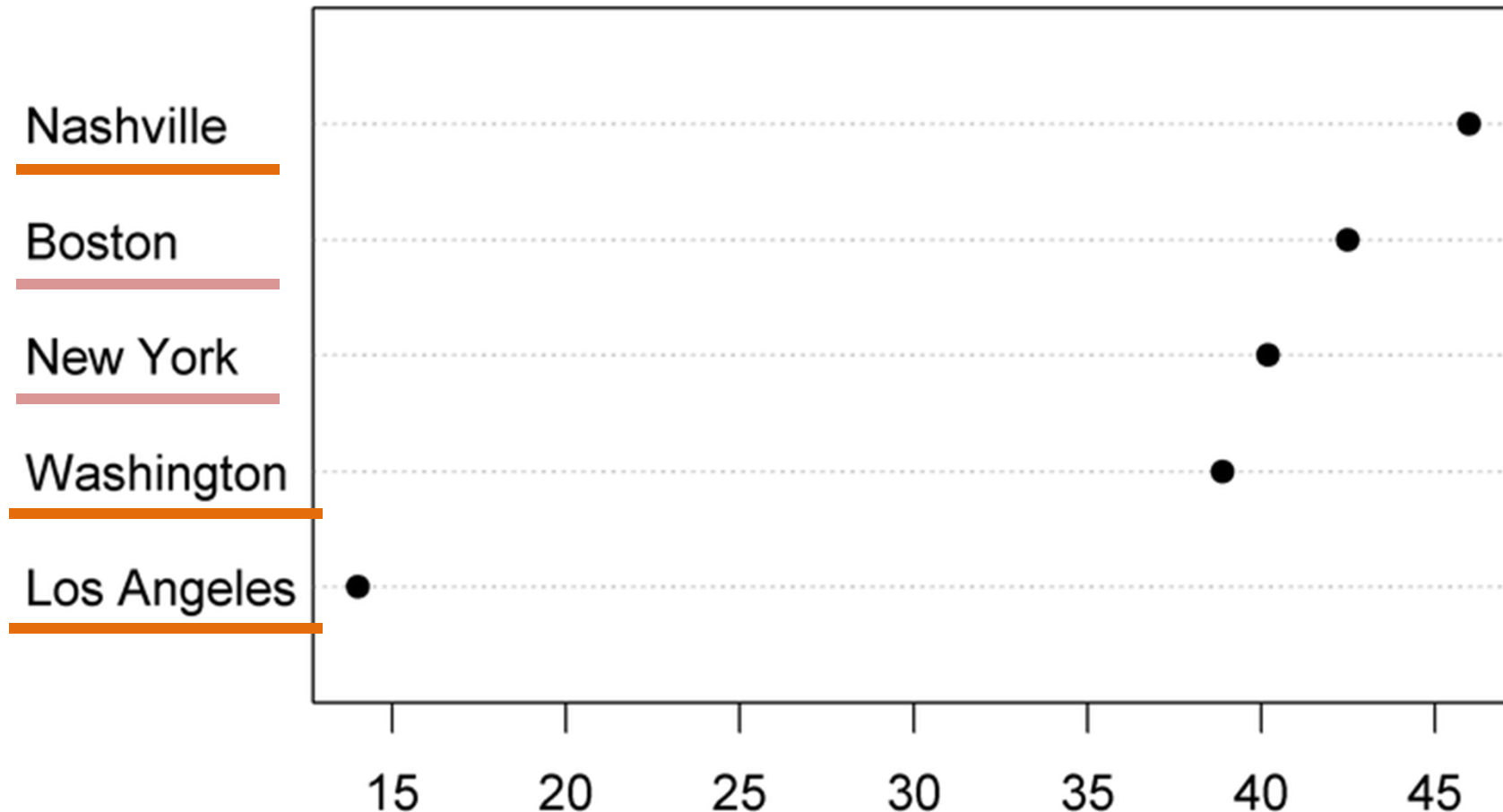
```
data(precip)
precip_data <- precip[c("Washington", "Nashville", "Los Angeles", "Boston", "New York")]
precip_data
```

---

```
## Washington Nashville Los Angeles Boston New York
##          38.9         46.0         14.0         42.5         40.2
```

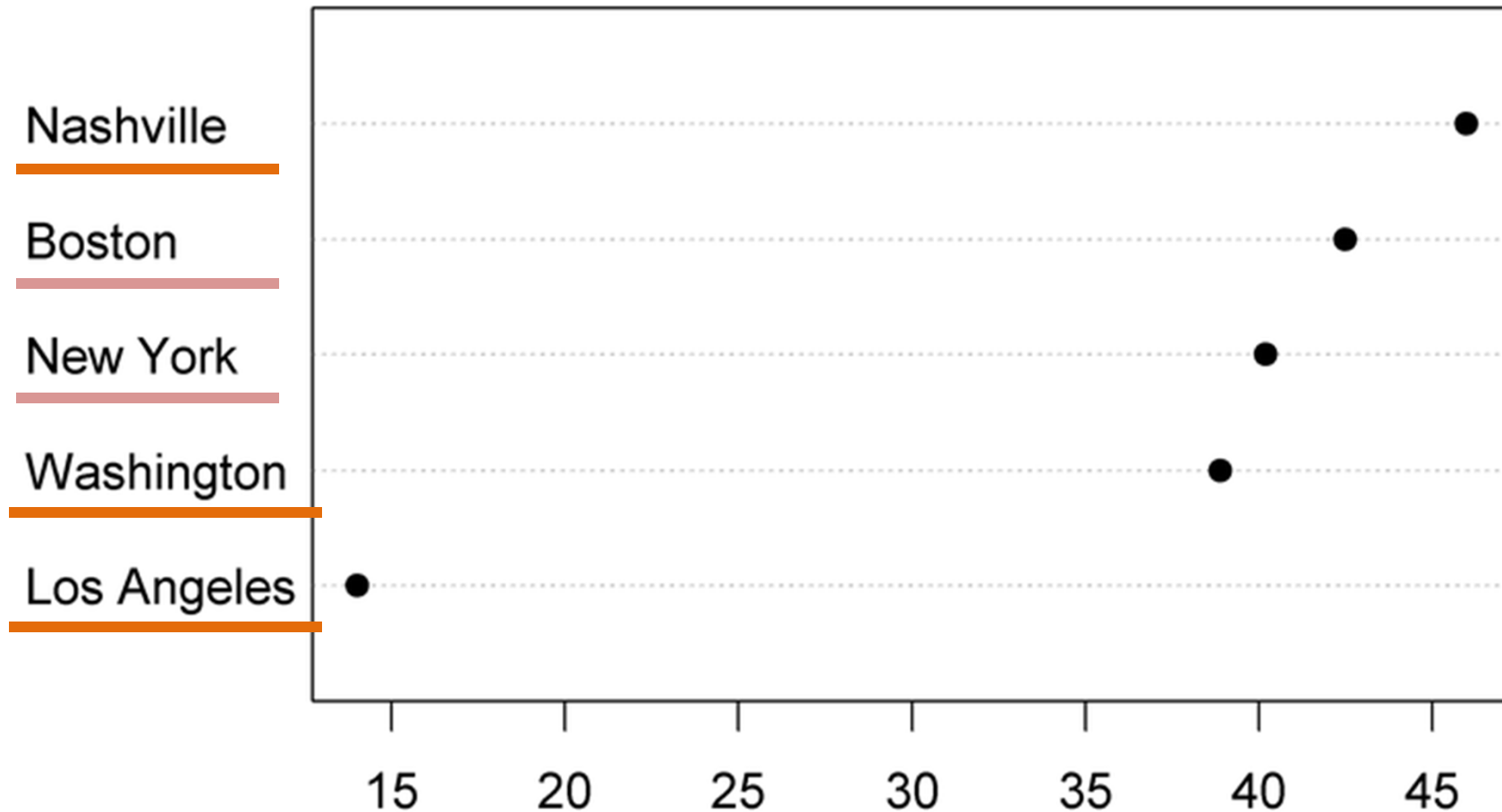
# Toy data: the *precip* dataset

Let's quickly visualize it:



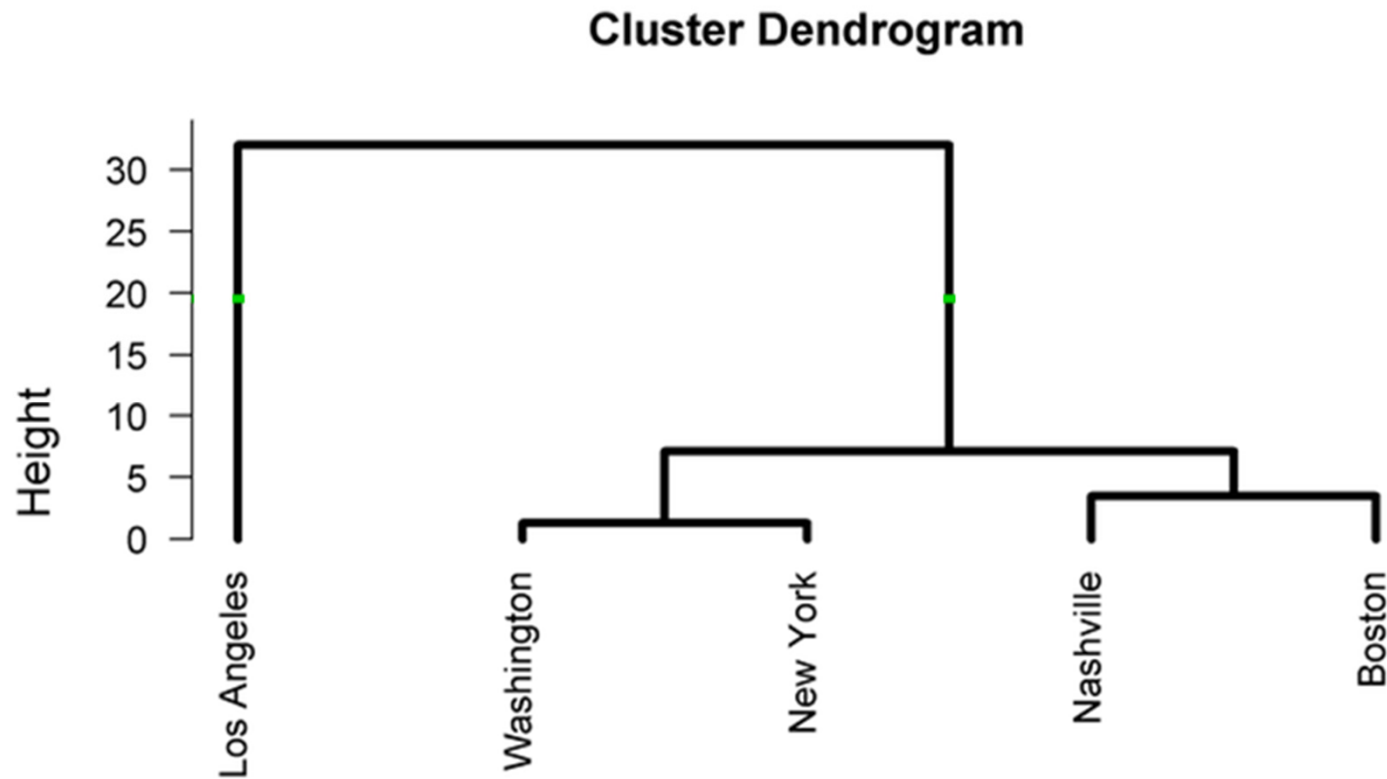
# Toy data: the *precip* dataset

Let's quickly visualize it.



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Let's quickly visualize it. And again, but with hierarchical clustering



# Toy data: the *precip* dataset

Let's quickly visualize it. And again, but with hierarchical clustering

The code for it:

```
x_dist <- dist(precip_data, diag=TRUE)
```

```
hc1 <- hclust(x_dist)
```

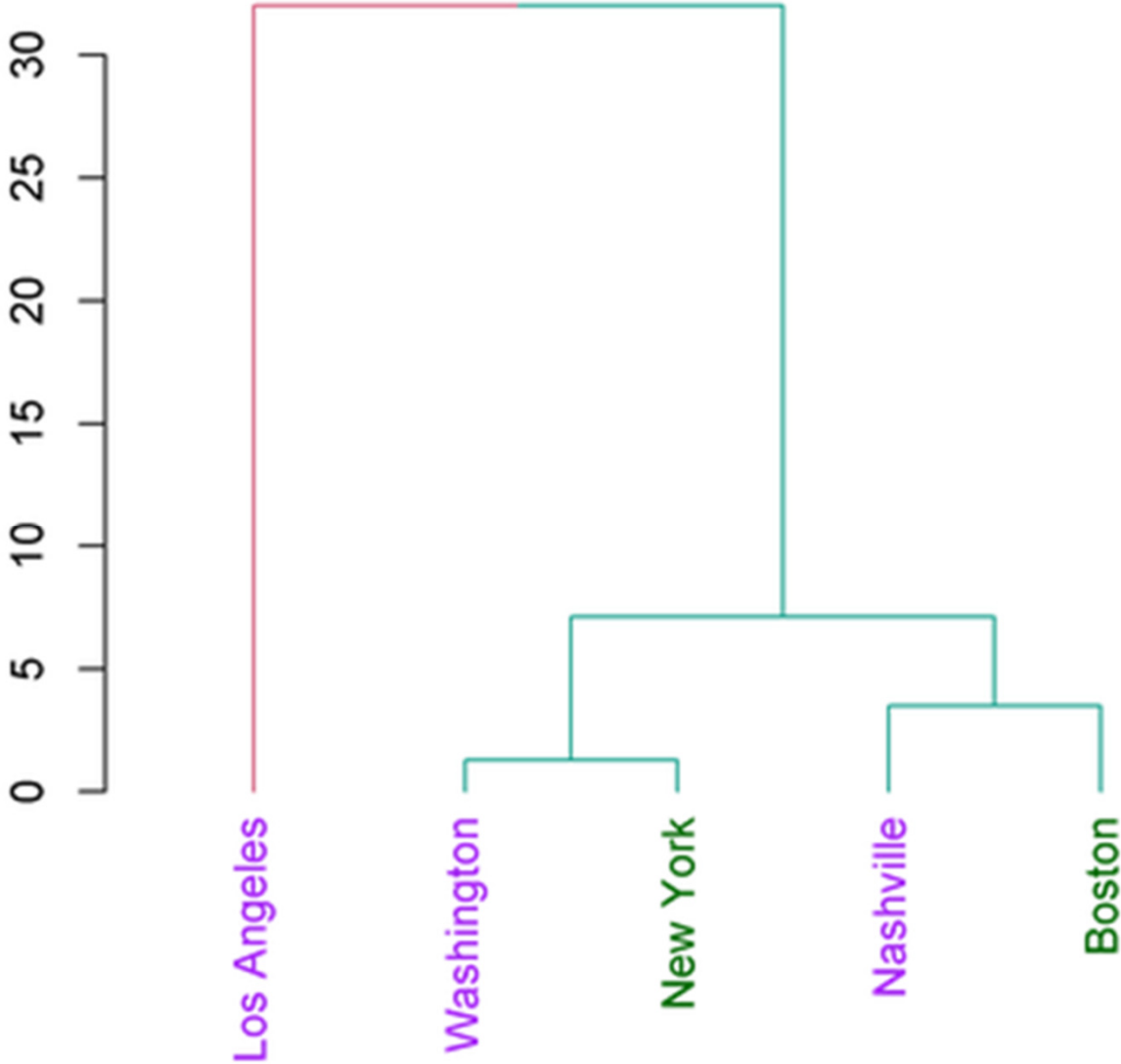
```
plot(hc1, hang = -1) (+...)
```

## Lessons (so far):

- hclust - Good for creating hierarchical clustering, but limited for plotting



# Goal 1: more colors



## Goal 1: more colors

1. From *hclust* to *dendrogram*



## Goal 1: more colors

We first coerce hclust into a dendrogram

```
dend1 <- as.dendrogram(hcl)  
hcl
```

```
##  
## Call:  
## hclust(d = x_dist)  
##  
## Cluster method   : complete  
## Distance         : euclidean  
## Number of objects: 5
```

```
dend1
```

```
## 'dendrogram' with 2 branches and 5 members total, at height 32
```

## Goal 1: more colors

Notice the structure of hclust

```
str(hcl)
```

```
## List of 7
```

```
## $ merge      : int [1:4, 1:2] -1 -2 1 -3 -5 -4 2 3
```

```
## $ height     : num [1:4] 1.3 3.5 7.1 32
```

```
## $ order      : int [1:5] 3 1 5 2 4
```

```
## $ labels     : chr [1:5] "Washington" "Nashville" "Los
```

```
## $ method     : chr "complete"
```

```
## $ call       : language hclust(d = x_dist)
```

```
## $ dist.method: chr "euclidean"
```

```
## - attr(*, "class")= chr "hclust"
```

## Goal 1: more colors

Notice the structure of a dendrogram object

```
str(dend1)
```

```
## --[dendrogram w/ 2 branches and 5 members at h = 32]
##   |--leaf "Los Angeles"
##   `--[dendrogram w/ 2 branches and 4 members at h = 7.1]
##     |--[dendrogram w/ 2 branches and 2 members at h = 1.3]
##     |   |--leaf "Washington"
##     |   `--leaf "New York"
##     `--[dendrogram w/ 2 branches and 2 members at h = 3.5]
##       |--leaf "Nashville"
##       `--leaf "Boston"
```

```
## 'dendrogram' with 2 branches and 5 members total, at height 32
```

# Goal 1: more colors

Notice the structure of a dendrogram object

```
str(dend1)
```

```
## --[dendrogram w/  
## |--leaf "Los An  
## `--[dendrogram  
## |--[dendrogr  
## | |--leaf "  
## | `--leaf "  
## `--[dendrogr  
## |--leaf "  
## `--leaf "
```

```
## 'dendrogram' with 2
```

```
str(unclass(dend1))
```

```
## List of 2  
## $ : atomic [1:1] 3  
## ..- attr(*, "members")= int 1  
## ..- attr(*, "height")= num 0  
## ..- attr(*, "label")= chr "Los Angeles"  
## ..- attr(*, "leaf")= logi TRUE  
## $ :List of 2  
## ..$ :List of 2  
## .. ..$ : atomic [1:1] 1  
## .. .. ..- attr(*, "label")= chr "Washington"  
## .. .. ..- attr(*, "members")= int 1  
## .. .. ..- attr(*, "height")= num 0  
## .. .. ..- attr(*, "leaf")= logi TRUE
```

```
## .. .. ..- attr(*, "label")= chr "Los Angeles"
```

## Lessons:

- hclust - Good for creating hierarchical clustering, but limited for plotting
- dendrogram object are
  - a nested list of lists
  - with attributes!

## Back to Goal 1: more colors

Let's modify the *dendrogram* object we got to have colors!

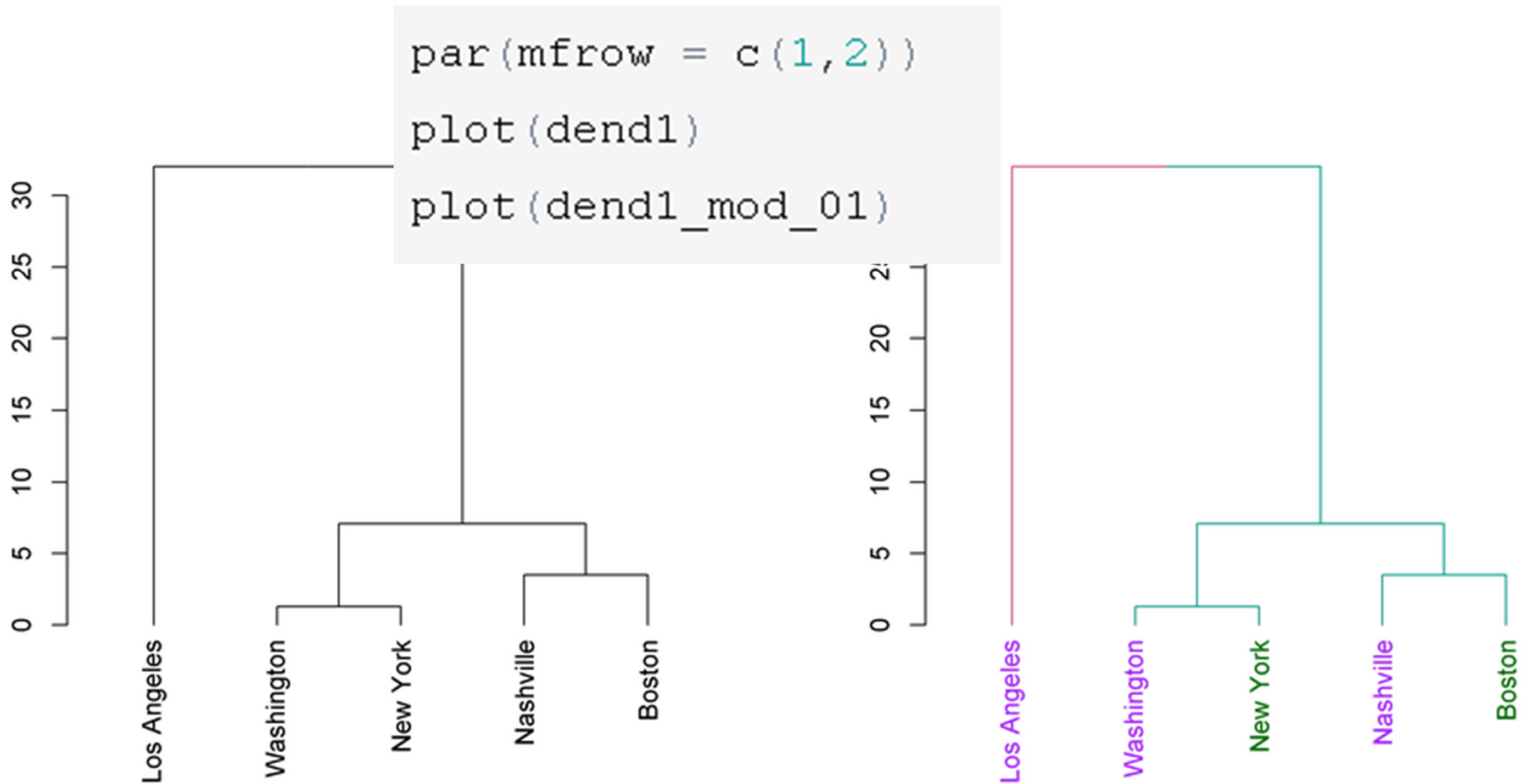
```
require(dendextend)

dend1_mod_01 <- dend1
dend1_mod_01 <- color_branches(dend1_mod_01, k = 2 )
col_for_labels <- c("purple", "purple",
                   "darkgreen", "purple",
                   "darkgreen")
dend1_mod_01 <- color_labels(dend1_mod_01,
                           col = col_for_labels)
```



# Goal 1: more colors

And here is how it looks.



# Notice the change in the object's attributes:

```
str(dend1)
```

## Before

```
## --[dendrogram w/ 2 branches and 5 members at h = 32]  
##   |--leaf "Los Angeles"
```

```
str(dend1_mod_01)
```

## After

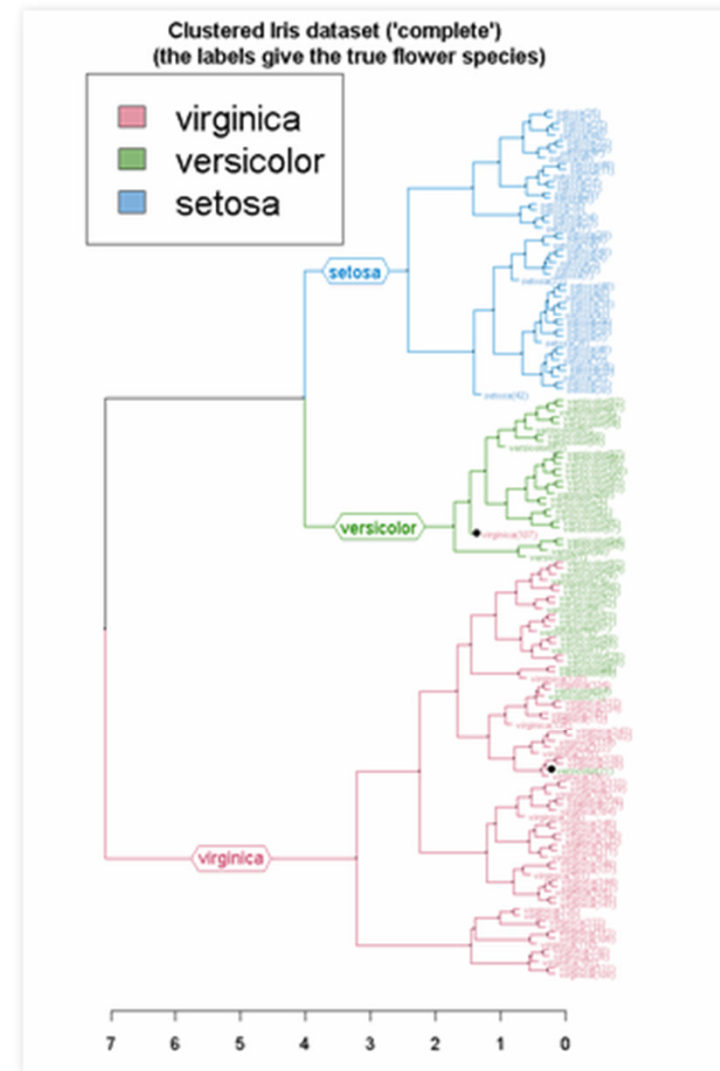
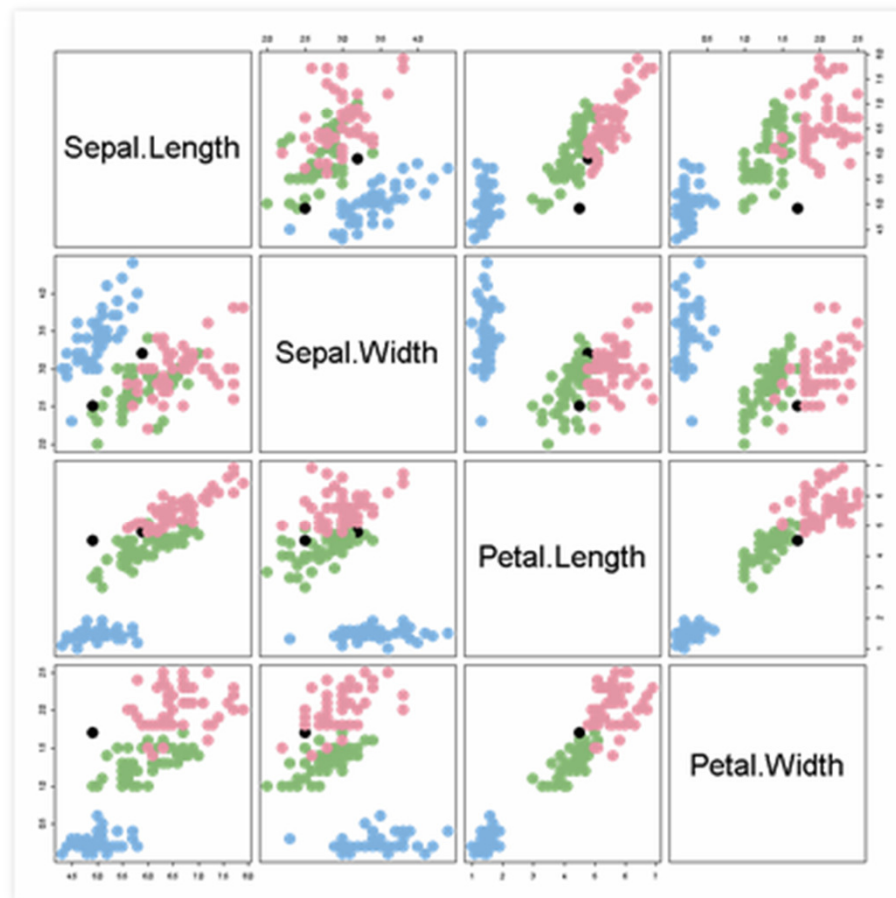
```
## --[dendrogram w/ 2 branches and 5 members at h = 32]  
##   |--leaf "Los Angeles" ( edgePar = #CC476B, nodePar = c("purple", "NA") )  
##   `--[dendrogram w/ 2 branches and 4 members at h = 7.1]  
##     |--[dendrogram w/ 2 branches and 2 members at h = 1.3]  
##       | |--leaf "Washington" ( edgePar = #009681, nodePar = c("purple", "NA") )  
##       | `--leaf "New York" ( edgePar = #009681, nodePar = c("darkgreen", "NA") )  
##     `--[dendrogram w/ 2 branches and 2 members at h = 3.5]  
##       |--leaf "Nashville" ( edgePar = #009681, nodePar = c("purple", "NA") )  
##       `--leaf "Boston" ( edgePar = #009681, nodePar = c("darkgreen", "NA") )
```

An example for nice  
looking dendrograms

# Visually diagnosing clusters with given labels

Iris dataset- a quick example

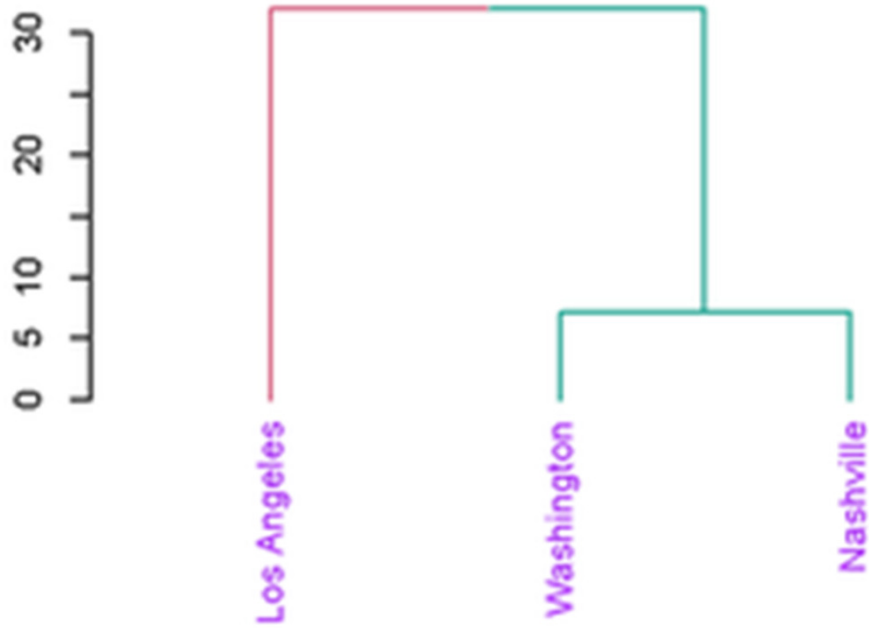
**Iris dataset:** - 150 items, 50 from each of three species of Iris (Iris setosa, Iris virginica and Iris versicolor). Four features were measured from each sample: the length and the width of the sepals and petals, in centimetres.



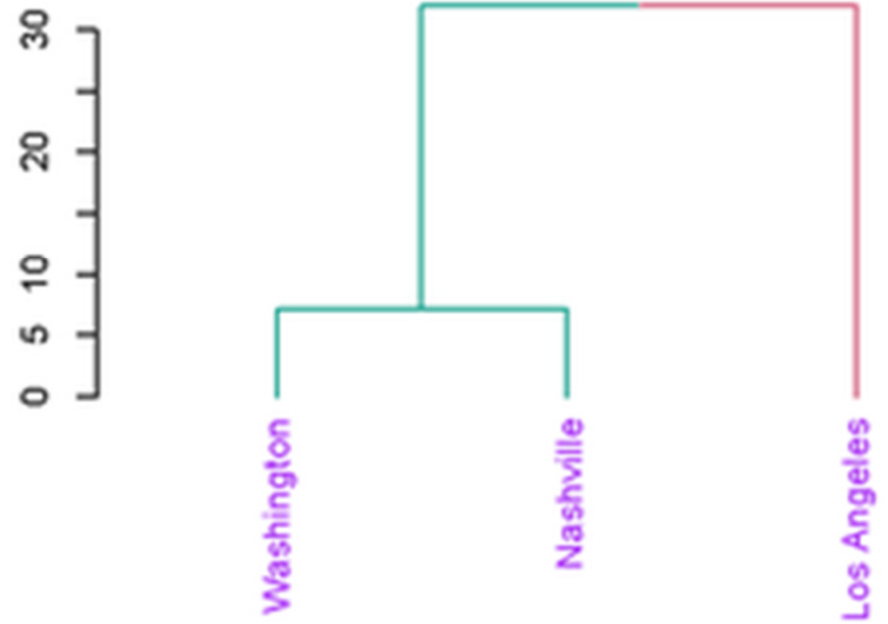
Examples of more  
things we could do  
(code comes a bit later)

# Goal 2: tweaking the tree

1. prune

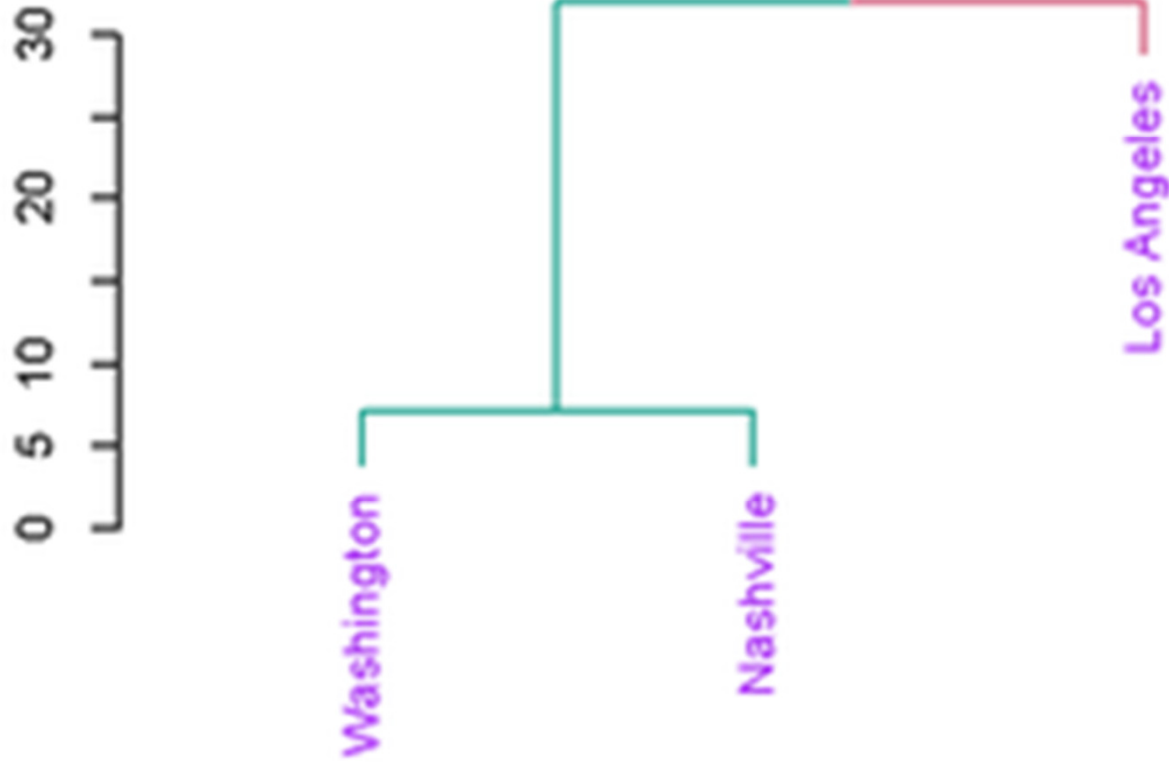


2. rotate



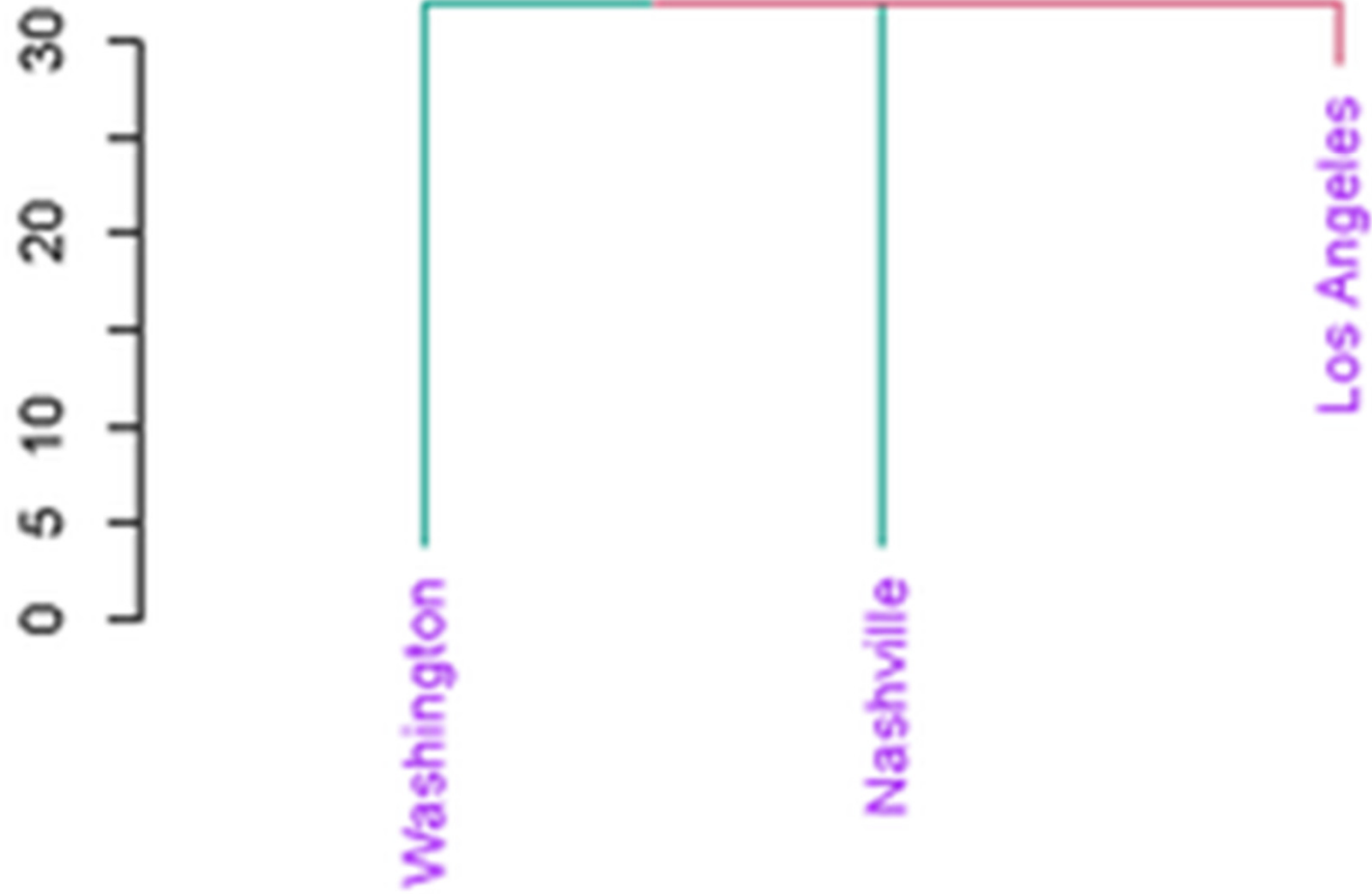
## Goal 2: tweaking the tree

3. hang



## Goal 2: tweaking the tree

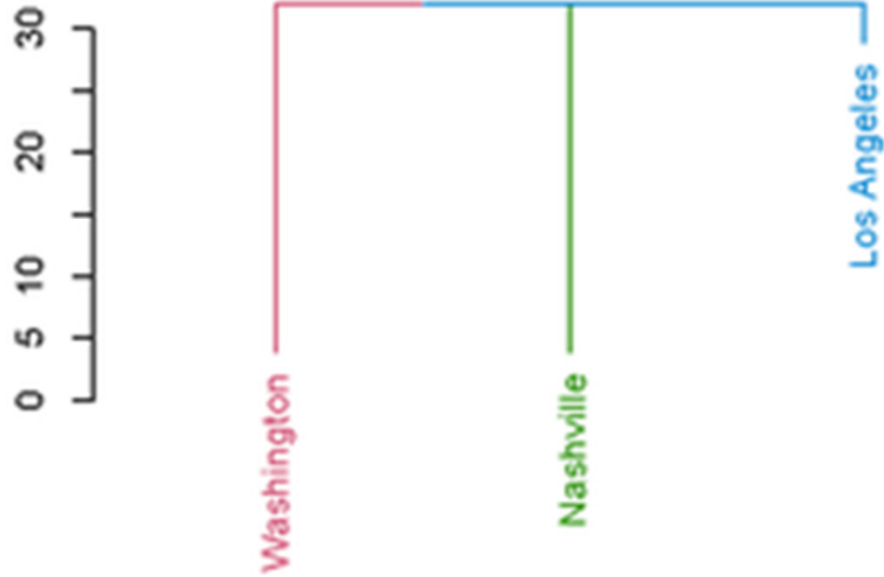
### 4. unbranch





# Goal 2: tweaking the tree

5. Color branches/labels  
(for non-binary tree)



6. Change labels



## Goal 2: tweaking the tree

```
tmp1 <- prune(dend1_mod_01,  
              c("New York" , "Boston"))  
tmp2 <- rotate(tmp1,  
               c(2, 3, 1))  
tmp3 <- hang.dendrogram(tmp2)  
tmp4 <- unbranch(tmp3)
```

```
tmp5 <- color_branches(tmp4, h = 31)  
tmp5 <- color_labels(tmp5, h = 31)
```

```
tmp6 <- tmp5  
labels(tmp6) <- abbreviate(labels(tmp5), 5)
```

30  
20  
10  
5  
0

Los Angeles

30  
20  
10  
5  
0

Washington

ng

Los Angeles

labels

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# Goal 2: tweaking the tree



## Lessons:

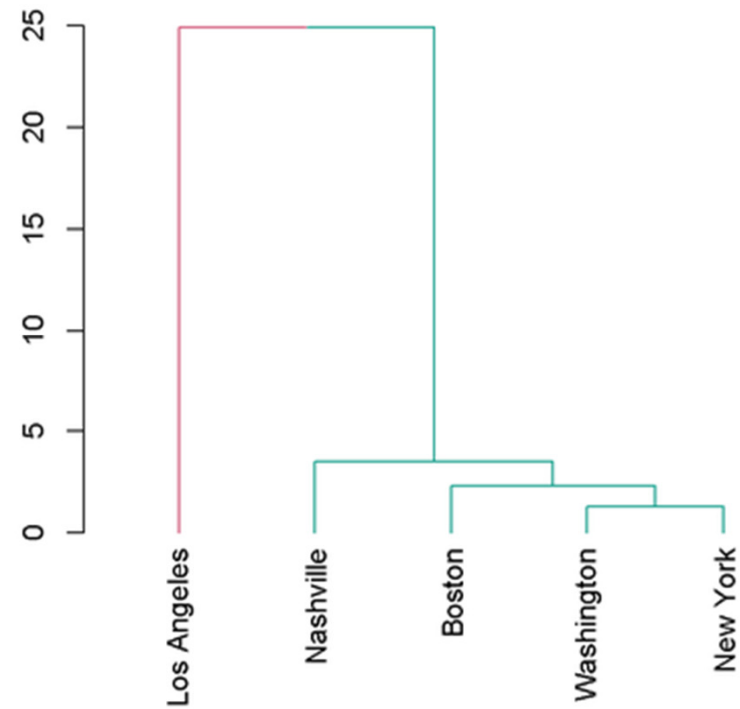
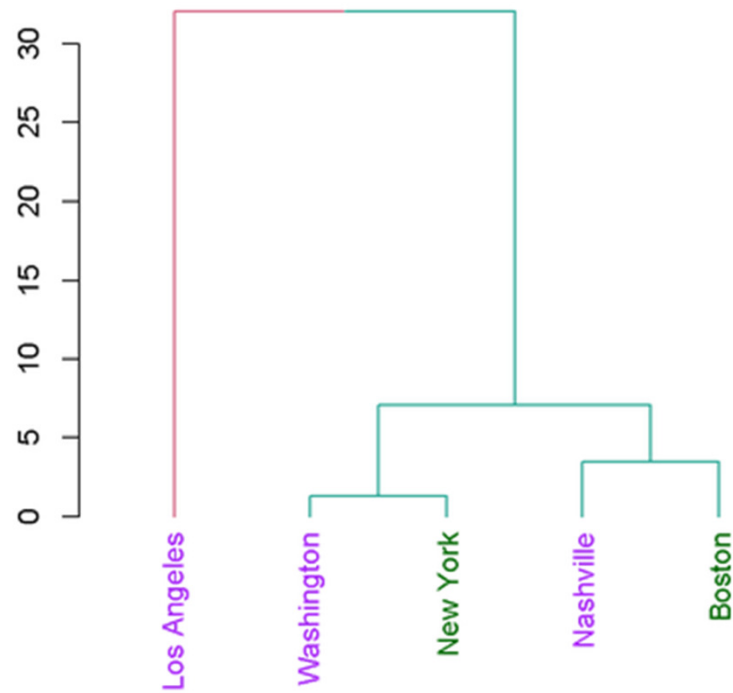
- hclust - Good for creating hierarchical clustering, but limited for plotting
- dendrogram object
  - a nested list of lists
  - with attributes!
  - **should be modified step by step before plotting**

Let's create another tree  
this time with a different  
method.

And then – let's try to  
compare our two tree to  
one another....

## Goal 3: comparing trees

```
hc2 <- hclust(x_dist, method = "single")
dend2 <- as.dendrogram(hc2)
dend2_mod_01 <- color_branches(dend2, k = 2)
par(mfrow = c(1,2))
plot(dend1_mod_01)
plot(dend2_mod_01)
```

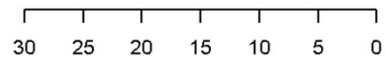
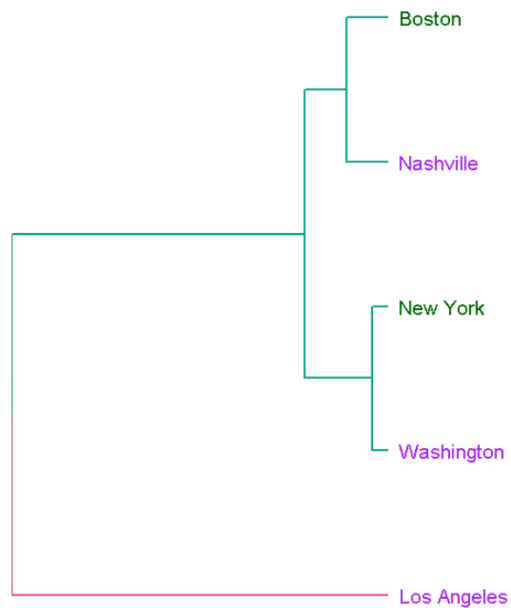


But we can do better  
using tanglegrams!

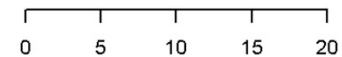
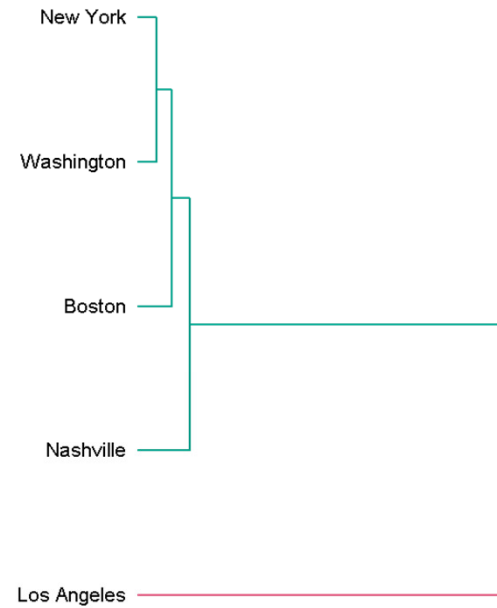
# Goal 3: comparing trees

```
tanglegram(dend1_mod_01,dend2_mod_01,  
margin_inner = 6, columns_width = c(5,2,5),  
main_left = "Complete method", main_right = "Single method",  
cex_main = 2)
```

**Complete method**



**Single method**





We notice that the lines  
are not aligned. We can  
try to rotate the trees to  
better align them...

## Goal 3: comparing trees

```
dend12_untang <- untangle_step_rotate_2side(dend1_mod_01,dend2_mod_01)
```

```
## We ran untangle 1 times
```

```
tanglegram(dend12_untang[[1]],dend12_untang[[2]],  
           margin_inner = 6, columns_width = c(5,2,5),  
           main_left = "Complete method", main_right = "Single method"  
)
```

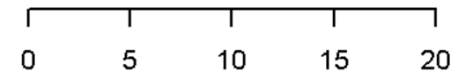
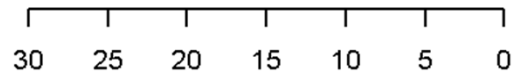
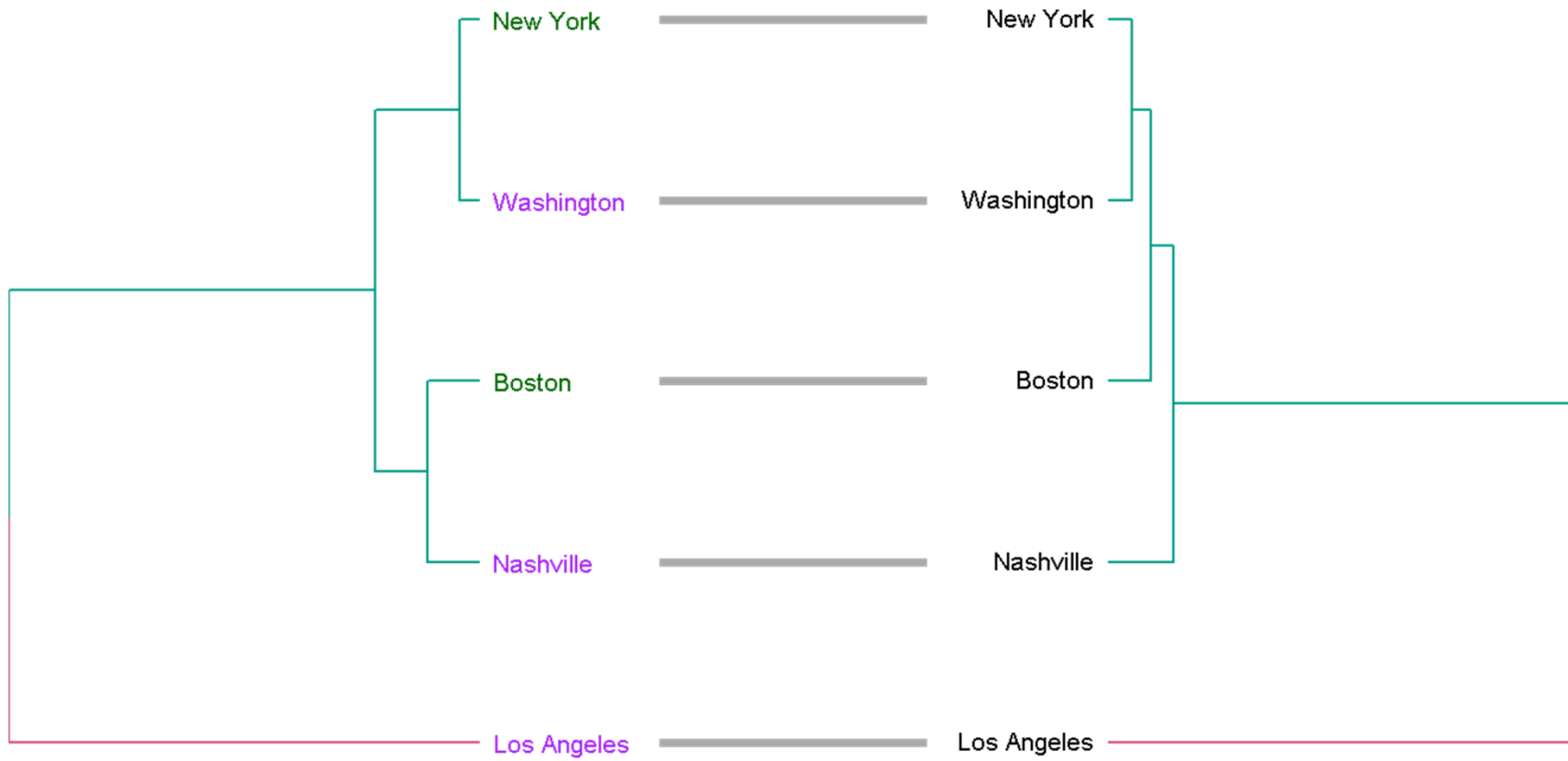
### Available functions :

- untangle\_random\_search
- untangle\_step\_rotate\_1side
- untangle\_step\_rotate\_2side

# Goal 3: comparing trees

Complete method

Single method



We can also calculate a statistic that will measure the level of “correlation” between the two trees  
(from -1 to 1)

## Goal 3: comparing trees (statistically)

Complete method

Single method

New York

New York

```
cor_cophenetic(dend1_mod_01, dend2_mod_01)
```

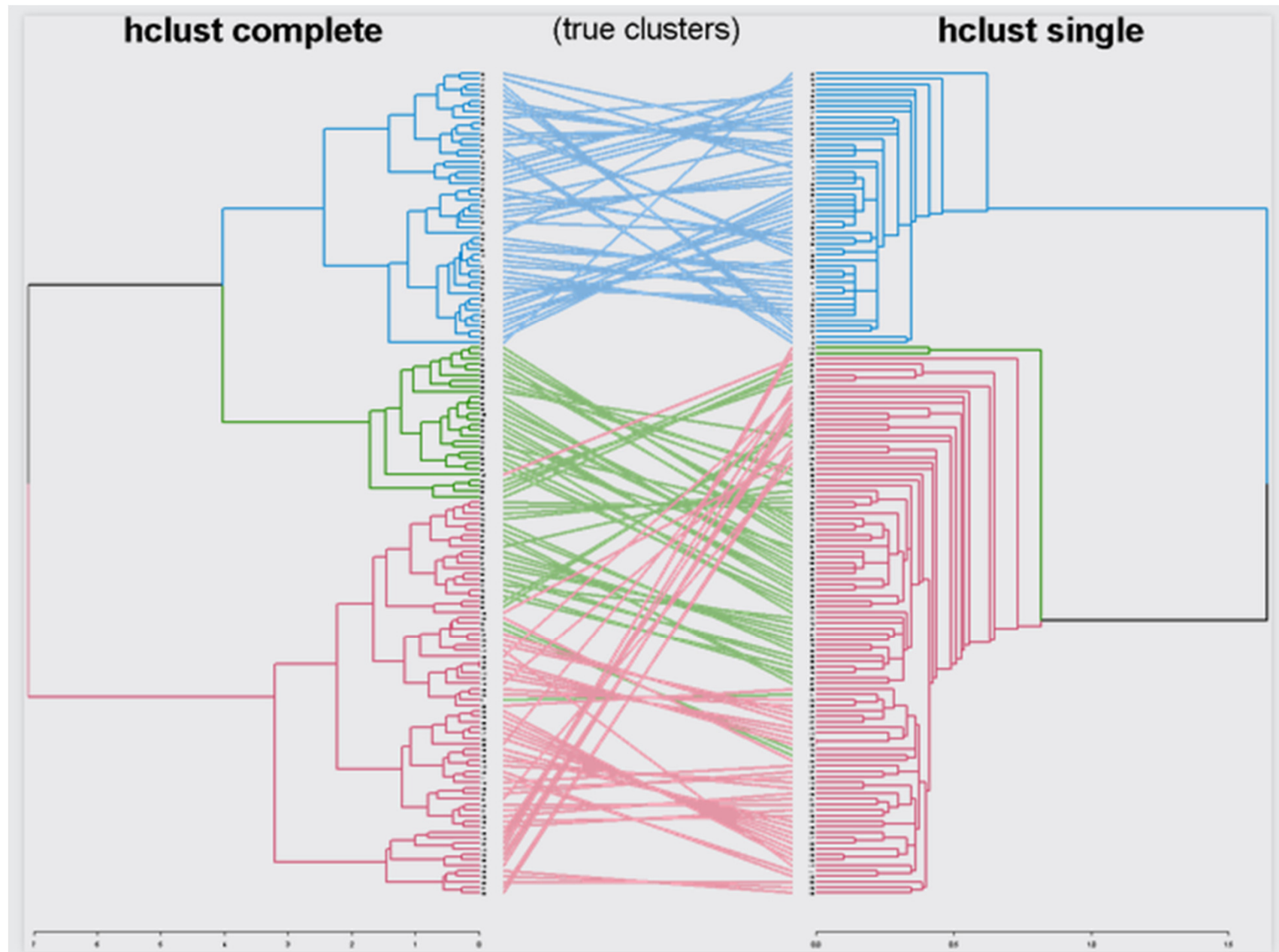
```
## [1] 0.9928
```

```
cor_bakers_gamma(dend1_mod_01, dend2_mod_01)
```

```
## [1] 0.8815
```

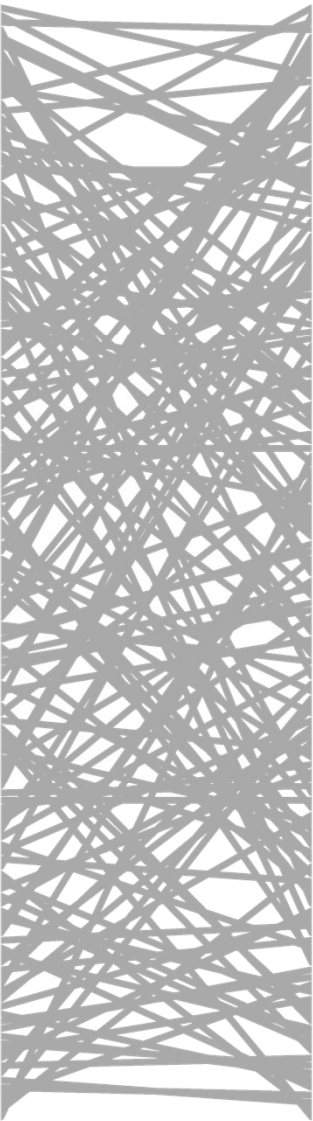
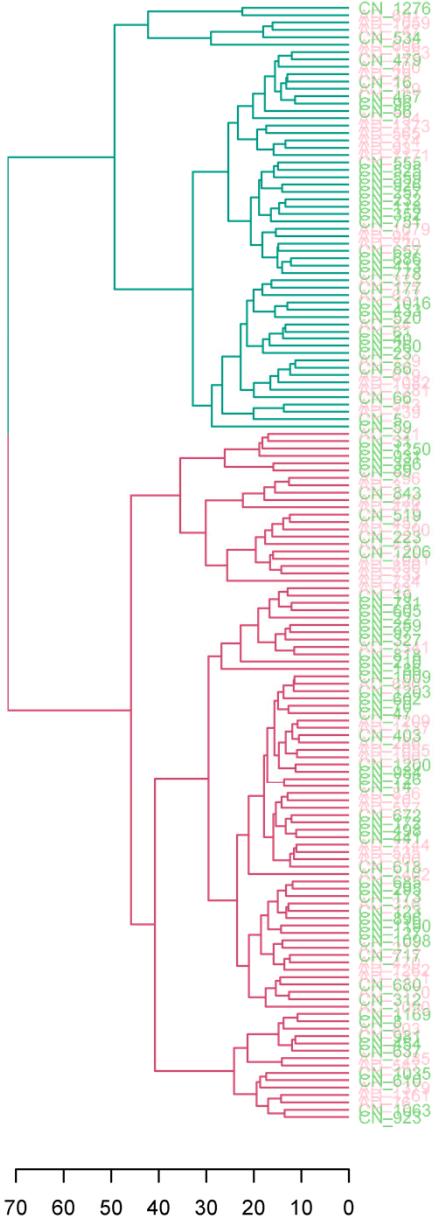
Some examples of  
comparing two trees

# Visually comparing two clustering methods



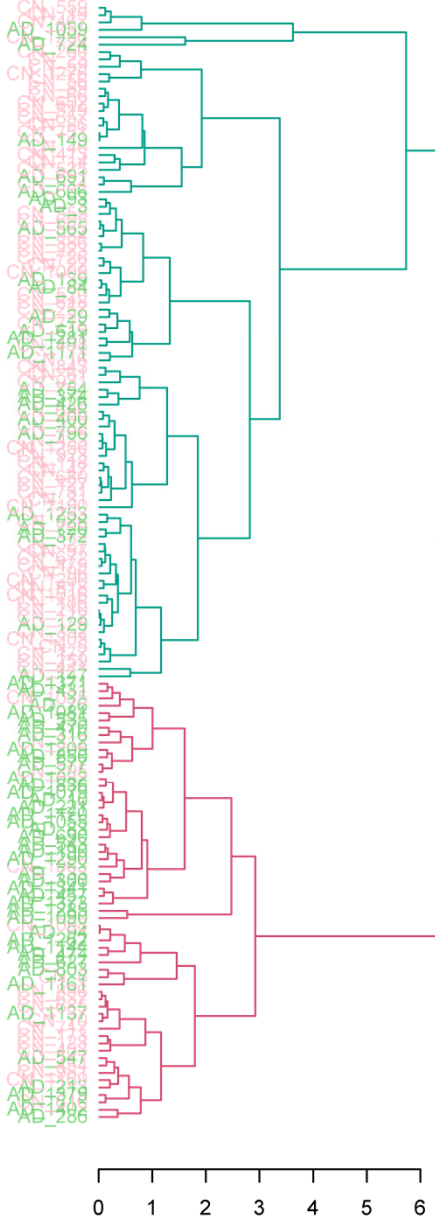
# A plot from a recent HBP meeting in Lausanne

Dendrogram  
Using all  
variables



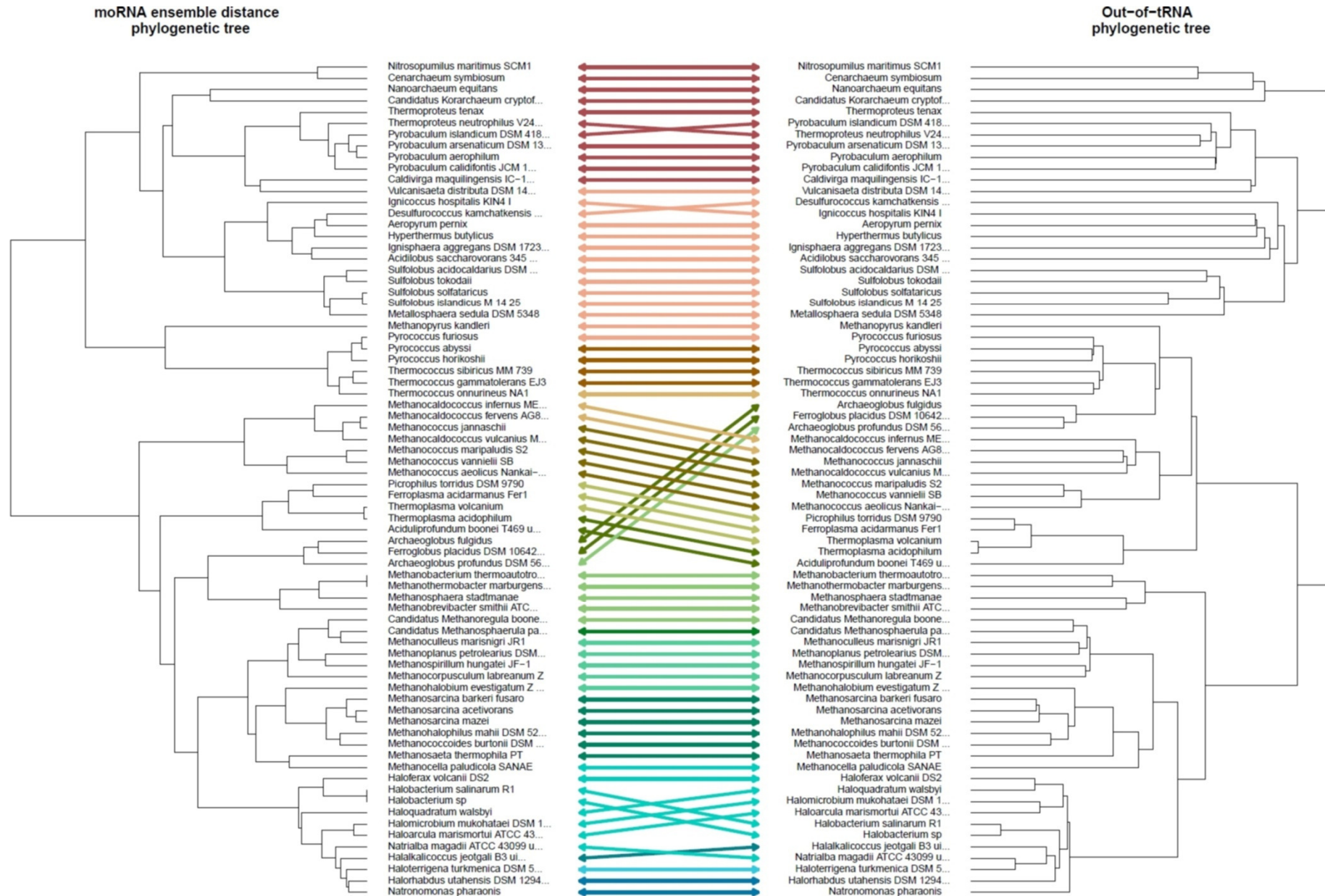
Tanglegram of  
the two models

Dendrogram  
Using 2  
variables





# Visually comparing two phylogenetic trees



## Lessons:

- hclust - Good for creating hierarchical clustering, but limited for plotting
- dendrogram object
  - a nested list of lists
  - with attributes!
  - should be modified step by step before plotting
- **Dendrograms can be compared**

By using C++, we can gain  
a lot of speed gains on  
in some bottleneck  
functions

Here is how...

## Goal 4: speed!

### 1. Use *dendextendRcpp*

i.e: `install.packages("dendextendRcpp")`

Examples for how much  
faster we can get...

# Goal 4: speed!

## labels

```
check_speed <- function(x) {  
  require(dendextendRcpp)  
  require(microbenchmark)  
  hc <- hclust(dist(x))  
  dend <- as.dendrogram(hc)  
  print(microbenchmark(  
    stats:::labels.dendrogram(dend),  
    dendextendRcpp:::labels.dendrogram(dend),  
    labels(dend),  
    labels(hc),  
    times = 10),  
    unit = "s")  
}
```

# Goal 4: speed!

## labels

```
x <- 1:1000  
names(x) <- x
```

```
check_speed(x[1:10])
```

Unit: seconds

	expr	median
	stats::labels.dendrogram(dend)	0.00182396
	dendextendRcpp::labels.dendrogram(dend)	0.00014614
	labels(dend)	0.00010051
	labels(hc)	0.00006103

# Goal 4: speed!

## labels

```
x <- 1:1000  
names(x) <- x
```

```
check_speed(x)
```

Unit: seconds

	expr	median
	stats::labels.dendrogram(dend)	0.1897733
	dendextendRcpp::labels.dendrogram(dend)	0.0044677
	labels(dend)	0.0045105
	labels(hc)	0.0001053



# Goal 4: speed!

## cutree

```
check_speed <- function(x) {  
  require(microbenchmark)  
  hc <- hclust(dist(x))  
  dend <- as.dendrogram(hc)  
  
  print(microbenchmark(  
    cutree(hc, k = 3),  
          times = 10),  
        unit = "s")  
  
  assign_dendextend_options() # restore old functions  
  
  print(microbenchmark(  
    cutree(dend, k = 3, try_cutree_hclust = FALSE),  
          times = 10),  
        unit = "s")  
}
```

# Goal 4: speed!

## cutree

```
check_speed <- function(x) {  
  require(microbenchmark)  
  hc <- hclust(dist(x))  
  dend <- as.dendrogram(hc)  
  
  print(microbenchmark(  
    cutree(hc, k = 3),  
    require(dendextendRcpp)  
    assign_dendextendRcpp_to_dendextend() # just to be on th  
  
  as  
    print(microbenchmark(  
  pri      cutree(dend, k = 3, try_cutree_hclust = FALSE),  
            times = 10),  
            unit = "s")  
})
```

# Goal 4: speed!

## cutree

```
x <- 1:1000  
names(x) <- x
```

```
check_speed(x[1:10])
```

```
## Unit: seconds  
##           expr                               median  
## cutree(hc, k = 3)                            0.0005303  
## cutree(dend, k = 3, try_cutree_hclust = FALSE) 0.01201  
## cutree(dend, k = 3, try_cutree_hclust = FALSE) 0.001501
```

Rcpp version 

# Goal 4: speed!

## cutree

```
x <- 1:1000  
names(x) <- x
```

```
check_speed(x[1:100])
```

```
## Unit: seconds  
##           expr                               median  
## cutree(hc, k = 3)                          0.0006901  
## cutree(dend, k = 3, try_cutree_hclust = FALSE) 0.1129  
## cutree(dend, k = 3, try_cutree_hclust = FALSE) 0.003587
```

Rcpp version 

## Lessons:

- hclust - Good for creating hierarchical clustering, but limited for plotting
- dendrogram object
  - a nested list of lists
  - with attributes!
  - should be modified step by step before plotting
- Dendrograms can be compared
- Use dendextendRcpp for (“free”) speed

You can easily get  
dendextend:

```
install.packages("dendextend")  
library(dendextend)
```



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Mar 15, 2014 - **dendextend**: Extending R's dendrogram functionality. Functions and methods for extending dendrogram objects in R.

### <sup>[PDF]</sup> Package '**dendextend**'

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### [talgalili/dendextend](#) · GitHub

<https://github.com/talgalili/dendextend> ▾

R package. Contribute to **dendextend** development by creating an account on GitHub.

```
install.packages("dendextend")  
library(dendextend)
```

## Usage

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Please see:

- Vignette: <https://github.com/talgalili/dendextend/blob/master/vignettes/dendextend-tutorial.pdf>
- Presentations:
  - [http://htmlpreview.github.com/?https://raw.githubusercontent.com/talgalili/dendextend/master/inst/doc/2013-09-05\\_Boston-useR/2013-09-05\\_Boston-useR\\_01\\_intro.html](http://htmlpreview.github.com/?https://raw.githubusercontent.com/talgalili/dendextend/master/inst/doc/2013-09-05_Boston-useR/2013-09-05_Boston-useR_01_intro.html)
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`dendextend`: Extending R's dendrogram functionality

Functions and methods for extending dendrogram objects in R.

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`dendextendRcpp`: Faster dendrogram manipulation using Rcpp

This package offers faster manipulation of dendrogram objects in R.

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***dendextend***: an R package for  
easier manipulation and  
visualization of dendrograms

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