# Double-Cut-and-Join (DCJ)

- Universal operation
- 1 DCJ:
  - Reversal, Translocation, Fission, Fusion
- 2 DCJ:
  - Transposition, Block interchange
- Linear time algorithms for distance & operations

# **DCJ** Paper

- Synteny blocks (more general than genes)
- Caps for linear chromosomes
- Null chromosomes to equalize cap number
- Breakpoint: noncommon adjacency
- (Caps also equalize breakpoint number)

# **DCJ** Paper

- Breakpoint graph (with caps)
- A B adjacencies: black edges
- B A adjacencies: gray edges
- Ignore common adjacencies
- Distance = b c (breakpoints cycles)

# DCJ Algorithm

- Phase 0:
- Add caps to linear chromosomes
- Draw black and grey edges
- Identify ends of AB-paths
- Link ends of AA-paths with grey edges
- Link ends of BB-paths with black edges
- Other phases: proceed to reduce b c

# DCJ Algorithm: Computing distance



# Genome B



### Draw synteny blocks







#### Genome A: add caps



A:

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### Genome A: add adjacencies



A:



#### Genome B: add adjacencies



#### Get rid of block bodies





#### Connect ends of AA-, BB-paths





# Tips

- Breakpoints:
  - Noncommon adjacencies in A and not in B, or
  - Noncommon adjacencies in B and not in A
- It will be the same number (b)
- Cycles composed solely of common adjacencies do not count