

# Molecular evolution

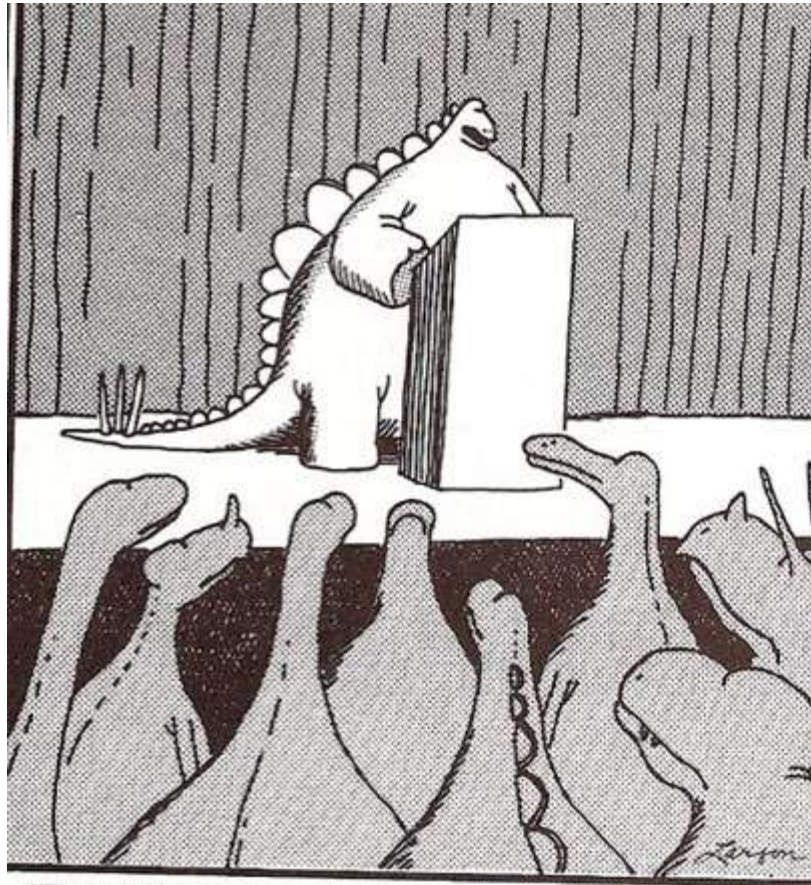
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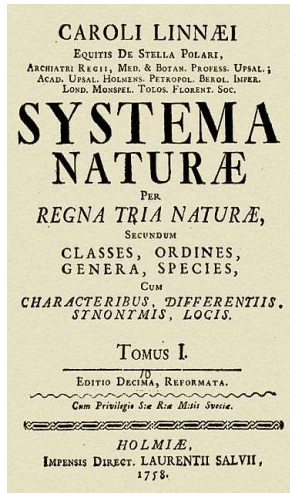




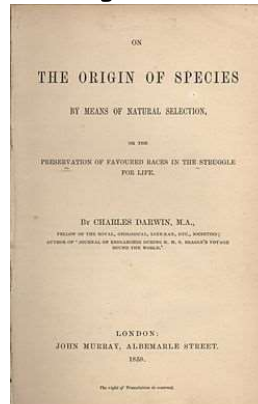
**"The picture's pretty bleak, gentlemen. ... The world's climates are changing, the mammals are taking over, and we all have a brain about the size of a walnut."**

Far side, Larson

# Brief early timeline



1735 : Linnaeus  
Classification of living (and non-living) things



1859: Darwin  
Theory of evolution and natural selection

Saltationism

Speciation is the result of abrupt large genetic changes



1809: Lamarck  
First theory of transmutation of species



1865: Mendel  
Laws of Inheritance, rediscovered 1900

Biometric school

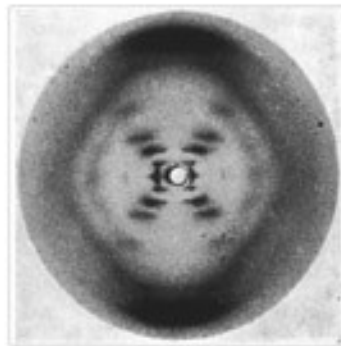
Continuous genetic variation underlies continuous phenome

# Later chronological developments

- George Nuttall mixed sera and antisera from different species to determine “blood relationships”:
  - More closely related species exhibit stronger cross-reactions between sera and antisera
- Morgan and fruit flies
  - Chromosomes, laws of heredity and trait propagation, recombination and cross over

# Double helix

- In 1953, James Watson and Francis Crick proposed the **double-helix model** of DNA structure
  - Based on X ray diffraction performed by Rosalind Franklin
- Mechanism of genetic transfer revealed



[wikipedia.org](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Double_helix)

# Human evolution

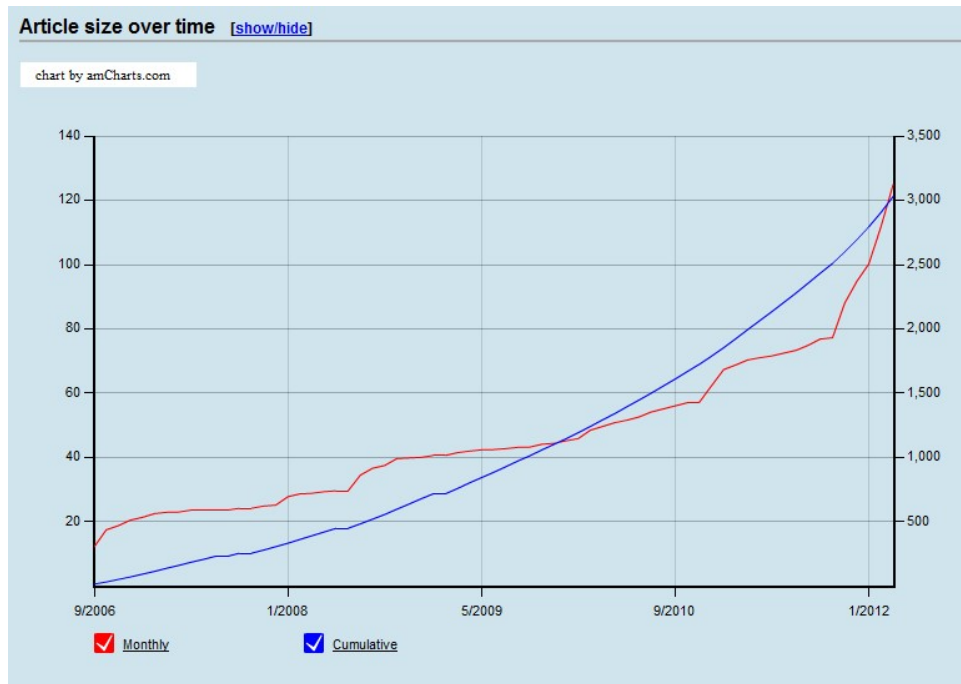
- Humans were thought to be monophylletic, and only distantly related to the great apes
- Sarich & Wilson (1967) cross reacted serum albumin between primates
  - Humans, gorilla and chimpanzee were genetically **equidistant** from the orang-utan

# Sequencing explosion

- Real “**explosion**” of information on molecular evolution since the advent of PCR: (1983)
  - Nucleotide could now be sequenced based on PCR
    - cloning → chromatography / die based sequencing
- Can sequence DNA from samples thousands of years old (ancient DNA analysis : Neanderthal and Woolly Mammoth genome)

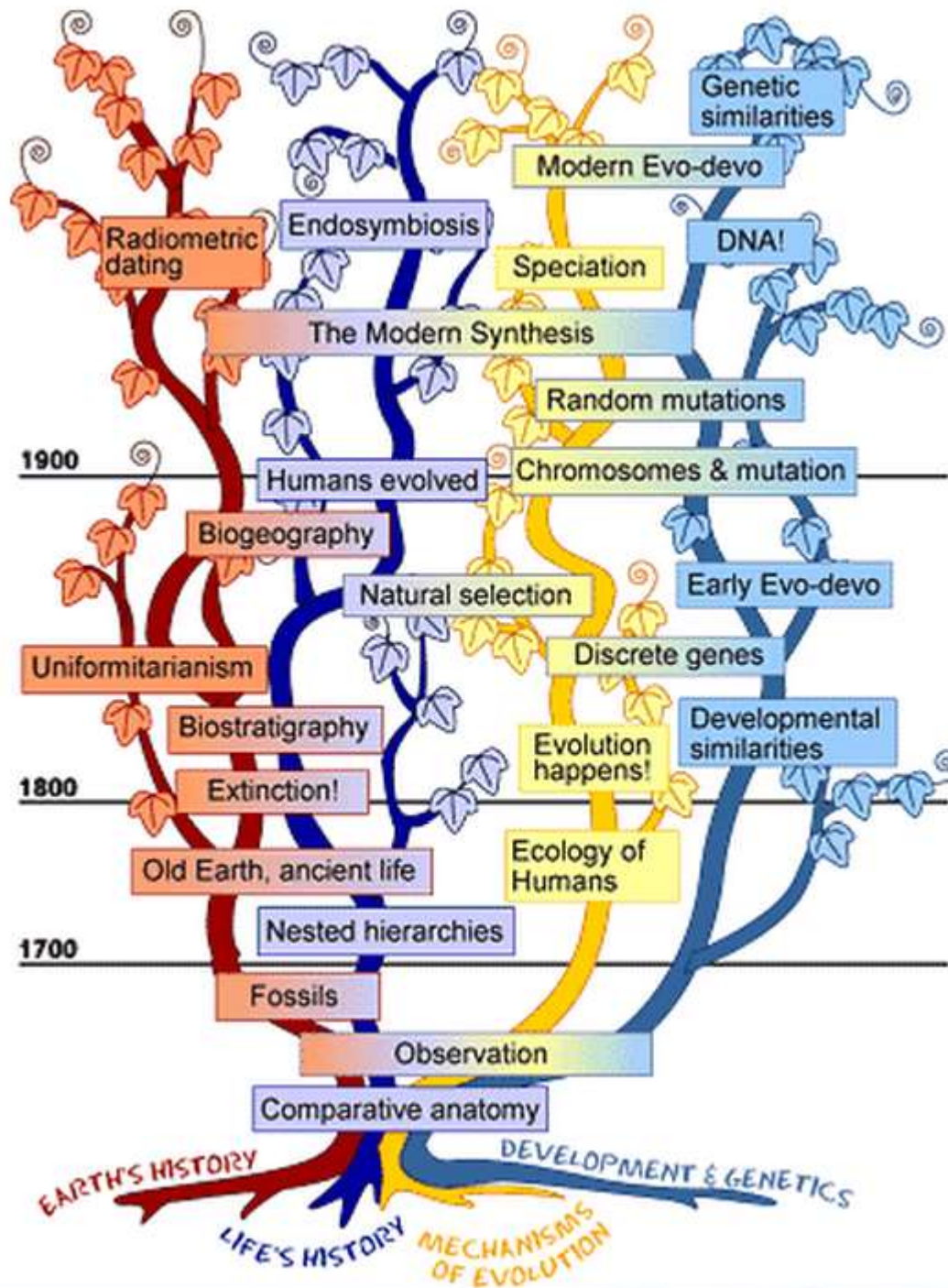
# No of sequenced genomes

- Wikipedia article size of “List of sequenced eukaryotic genomes”
  - Not a perfect correlation, but still ...



wikipedia.org



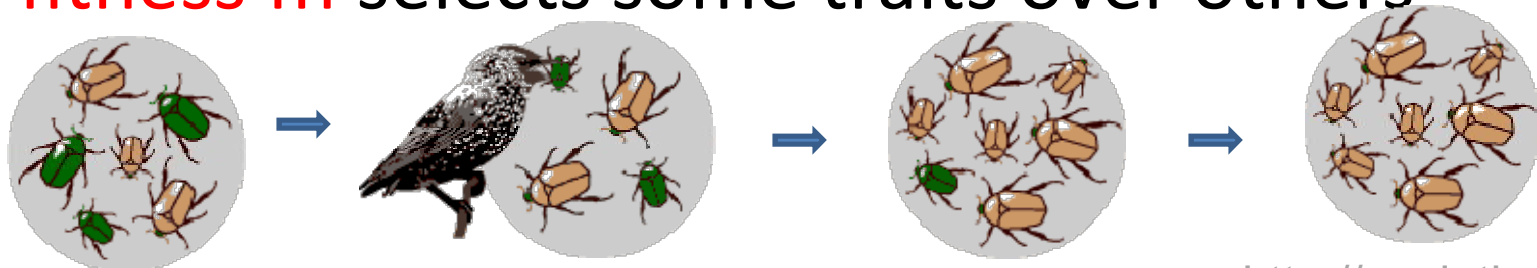


<http://evolution.berkeley.edu/eosite/>



# Natural selection

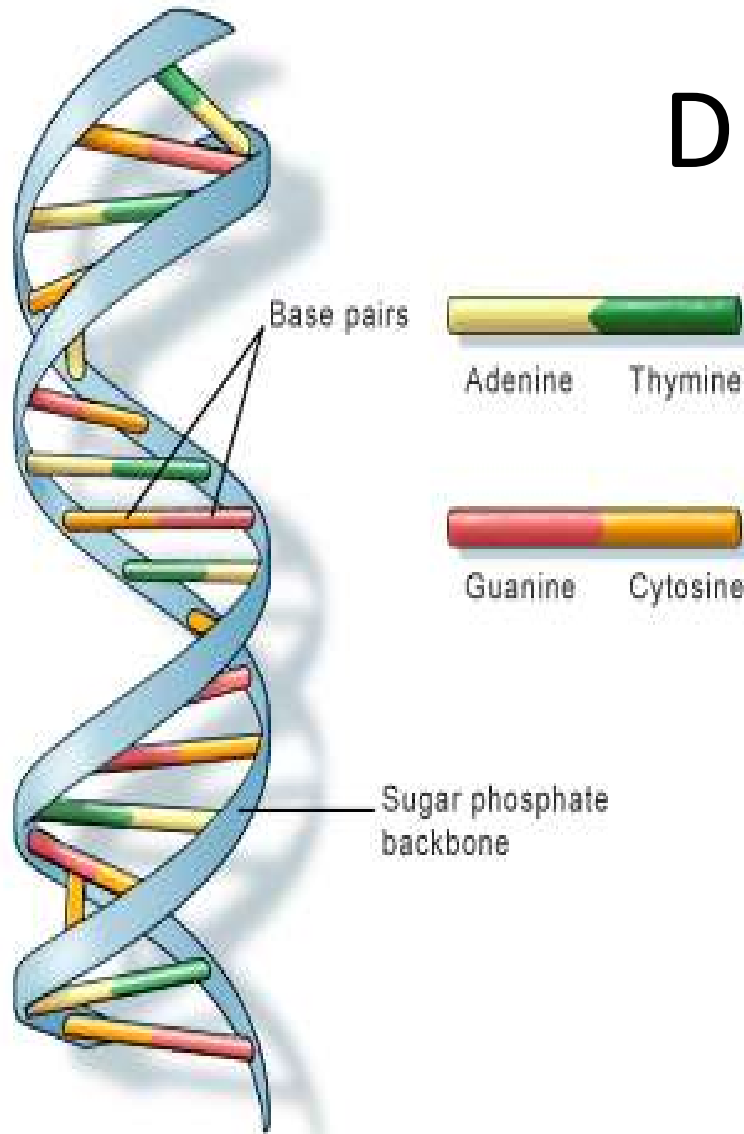
- Small discrete genetic changes causes organisms to be different at the individual level
- **Natural selection** : Some changes are more important for survival or lineage propagation based on environmental and other factors : **fitness fn** selects some traits over others



# Speciation

- Differences in accumulated genetic changes in sub-populations can cause them to become **reproductively isolated** : causing speciation
- Can be influenced by different kinds of environmental factors
  - physical isolation of populations due to geological events
  - quickly changing environment (eg extinction of another species) changing the nature of selectional forces
  - faster mutation rate due to positive selection or environmental factors like radiation

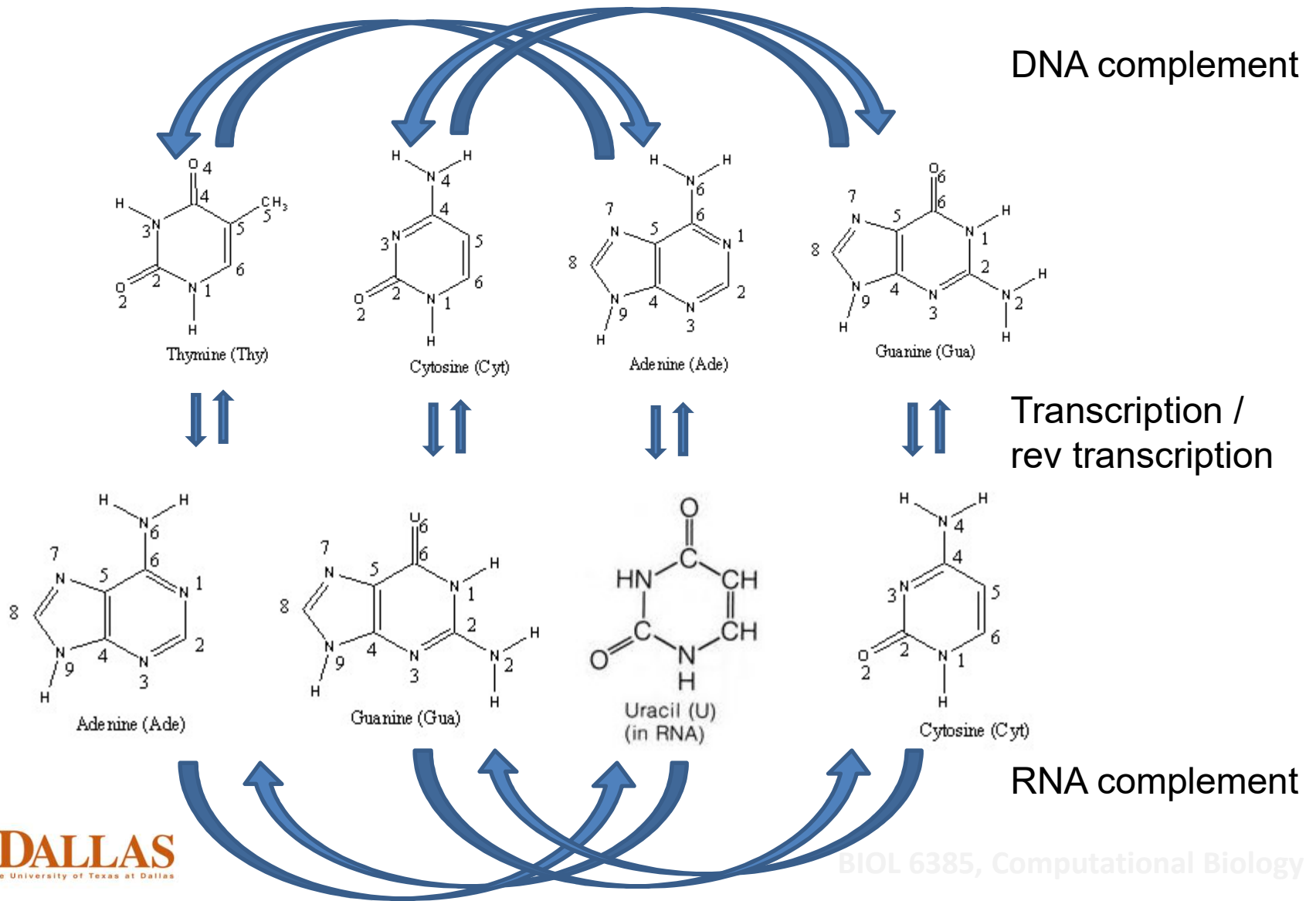
# DNA



- Genetic material arranged in several double stranded **chromosomes** in the nucleus of each cell
- Combined genetic material is called the **genome**

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# Component nucleic acids



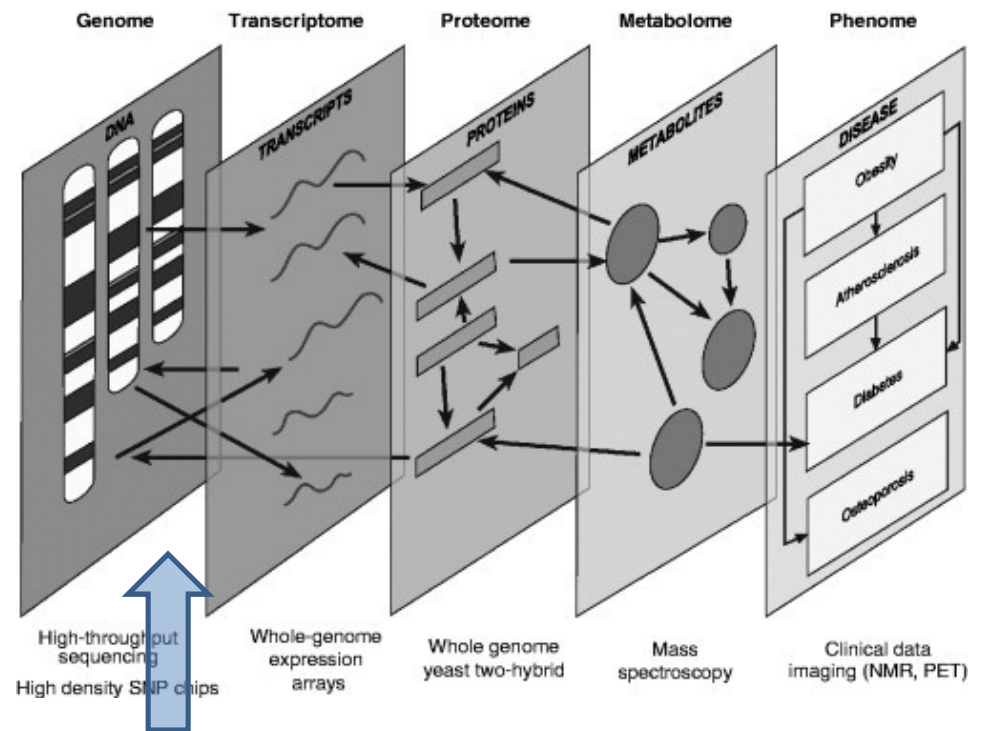
# -“Ome”s

Stability increases across environment, condition, cell type, organism, etc



Pattern breaking

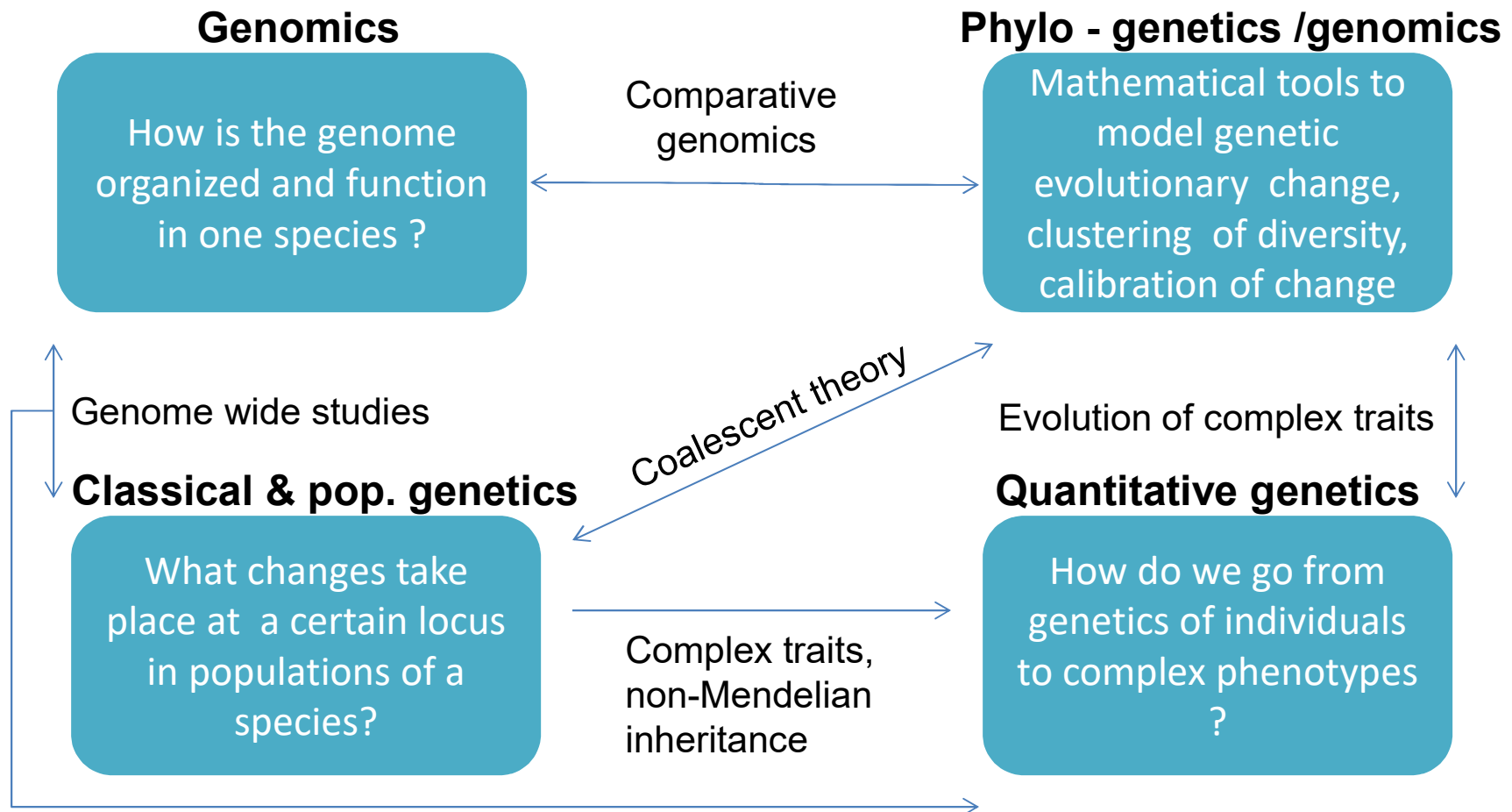
- Study of evolution
  - how the genome changes over generations & species
  - how such changes affect successive “ome”s



Another layer : **epigenome** :  
inherited traits which cannot be fully explained by the genome

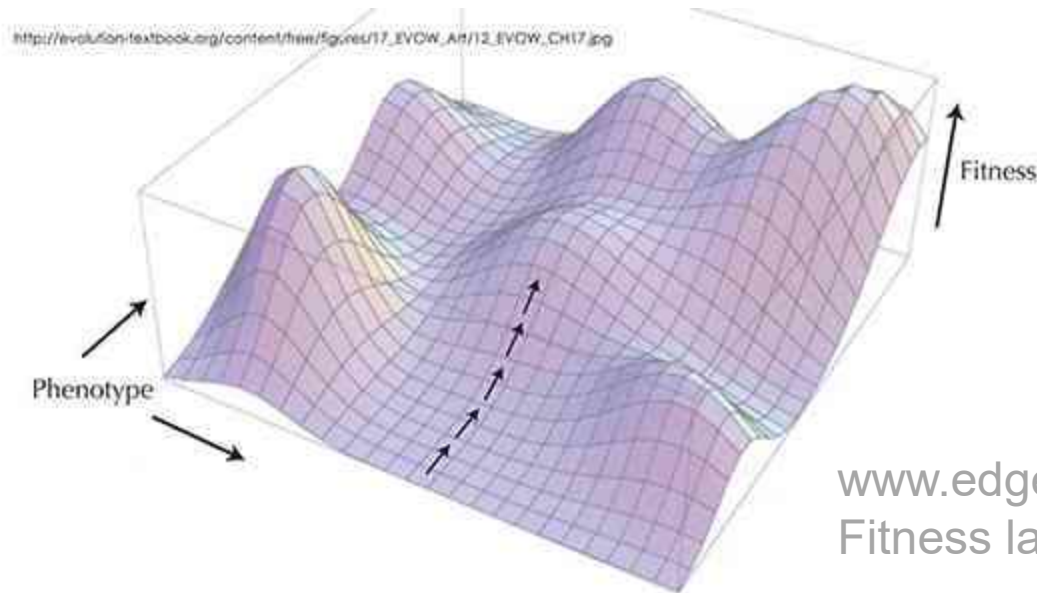
Farber & Lusic, Adv in Genetics, Vol 60

# Broad fields of study



# Evolution as an optimization process

- Gaming the “fitness function”
- Risks of over playing the system
- Reversibility of evolution ?



www.edge.org  
Fitness landscapes, S. Brand

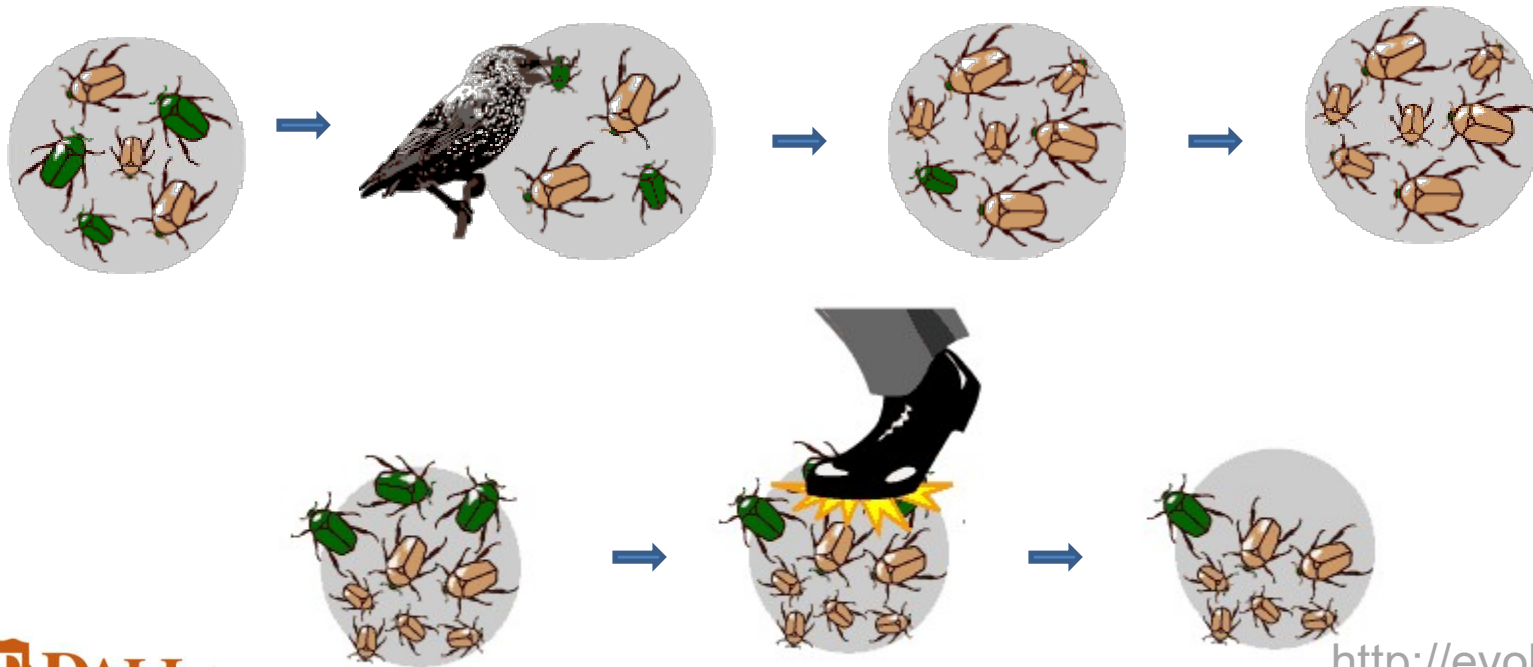


# Phylogenetics

- How single nucleotides and other genomic entities change over time
  - **Substitution** matrices
- **Cluster** a group of genes or organisms based on their similarity to each other [ alignment answers a related question ]
- Analyze the **nature** of such changes
- **Calibrate** the rate of change

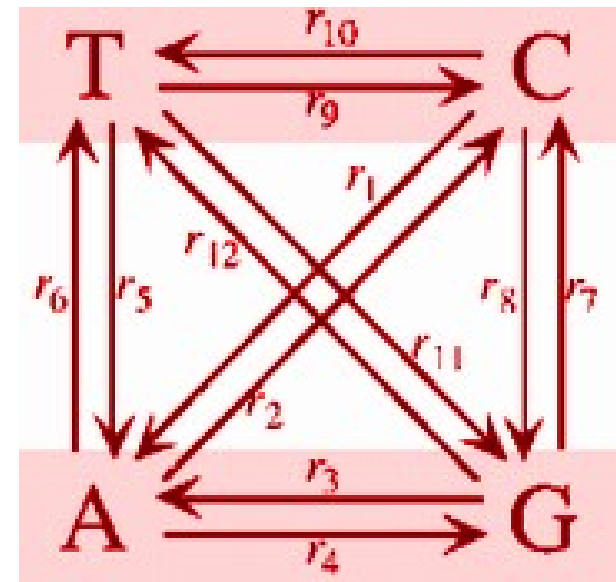
# Evolution as a stochastic process

- Forces of optimization (selection) compete with completely random forces to shape our genomes



# Substitution

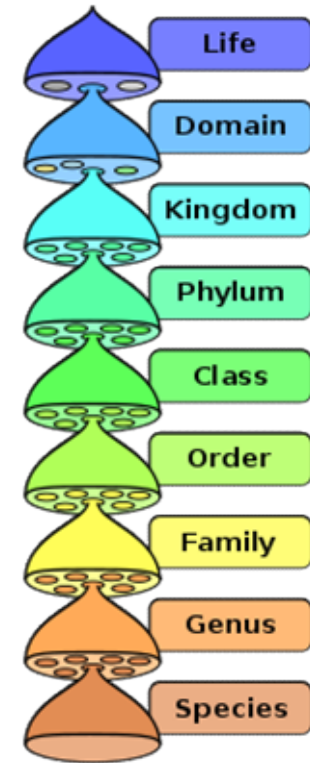
- What are the rates at which nucleotides / AAs / codons change into each other ?
- Can we calculate the probability of an A turning into a G over a time period of  $t$  ?
- What kind of assumptions can we make about such **stochastic processes** ?



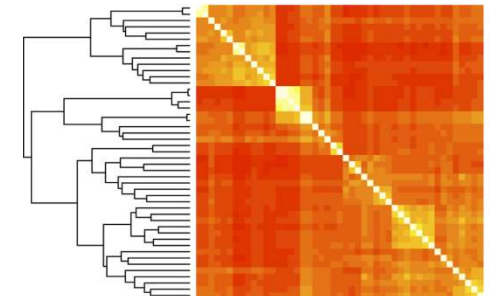
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# Systematics

- Cladistics / taxonomy : do organisms / genomic entities (like duplicated genes) grouped together based on **genomic similarity reflect shared evolutionary history ?**
- How to build dendrograms based on pairwise (or otherwise) differences ?



wikipedia.org



Saw et al, Stand Gen Sci 6:1

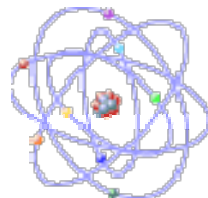
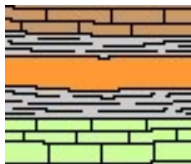
BIOL 6385, Computational Biology

# Nature of genomic changes

- Are the changes just random (neutral) ? Are they based on selectional forces acting on the genome ? How to quantify ?
- **Neutral Theory** (Kimura) : Vast majority of changes are neutral

# Calibration of genomic changes

- Controversial assumption in evolutionary theory
  - Mutations (typically mostly neutral ones) in some genomic sequences and proteins take place at **regular clock-like intervals**
  - Can be calibrated against **fossil record** : using stratigraphy, radiocarbon dating, molecular clock

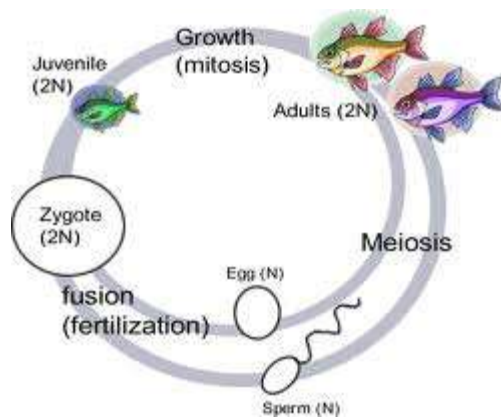


# Asexual reproduction

- Children are **clones** of parents
- Genetic diversity
  - errors during cloning (mutation)
  - **lateral gene transfer**
    - conjugation – direct transfer of genetic material between individuals
    - transformation – uptake of exogenous DNA
    - transduction – transfer of genetic material between individuals through 3<sup>rd</sup> party (like virus)

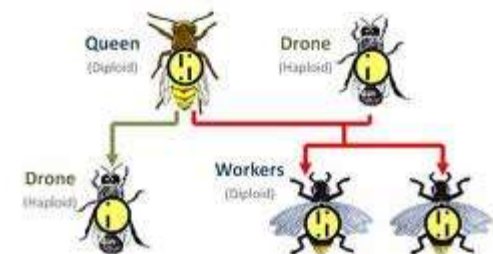
# Sexual reproduction

- Individual has 2 copies of each chromosome : one from each parent (homologous chr)
- 2 genders : haploid, diploid and **ploidy reduction**
- Other complicated mechanisms



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## Haplo-Diploid Sex Determination in Bees



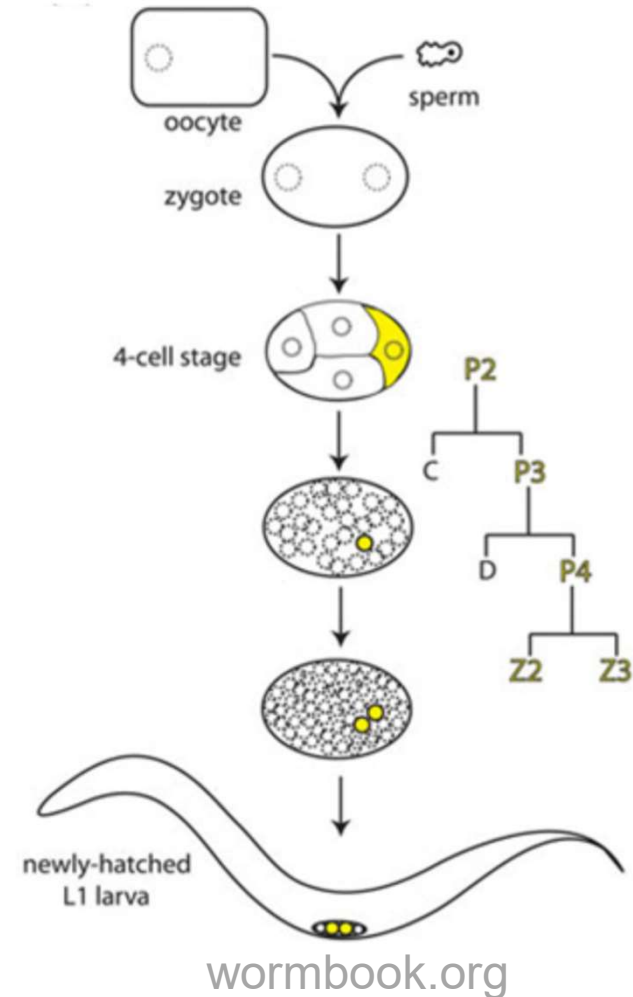
Sister-Workers are 75% - related to each other

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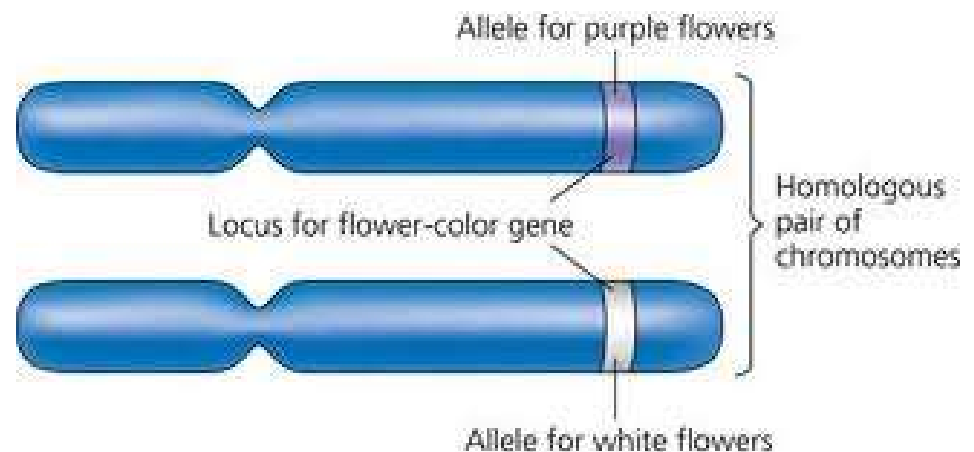
# Germ line and soma

- DNA needed for homeostasis, metabolism, producing offspring
- Composition of DNA can change : changes to DNA in the **germ line** are transmitted to offspring
- Non-germ line evolution : evolution of cancer



# Alleles

- One of many variants of a genetic locus
- Organism, wrt an allele :
  - **hemizygous** : only one copy of chromosome
  - **homozygous** : both copies have same allele
  - **heterozygous** : copies have different alleles



Rozaini Othman

# Haplotype vs genotype

- When we know the allelic composition of multiple alleles in an individual, can we partially reconstruct the chromosomes ?



Zhou and Wang *BMC Bioinformatics* 2007 8:484

# Added aspects of sexual reproduction

- Sexual selection : gender specific selective forces on top of existing environmental selective forces ( **co – evolution** )
- Sex determination : Sex chromosome

	Male	Female
Sex chromosome (pair config)	XY	XX
Sex chromosome (pair config)	WW	ZW
Haplodiploidy (total no of chr)	N	2N

# Changing nucleotide composition

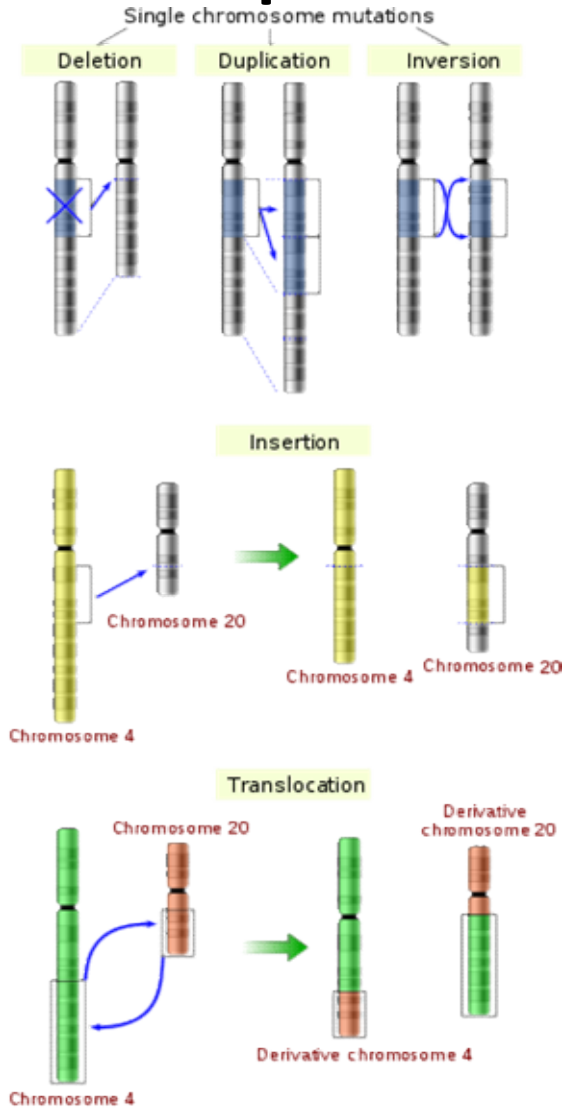
Point mutation

Translocation

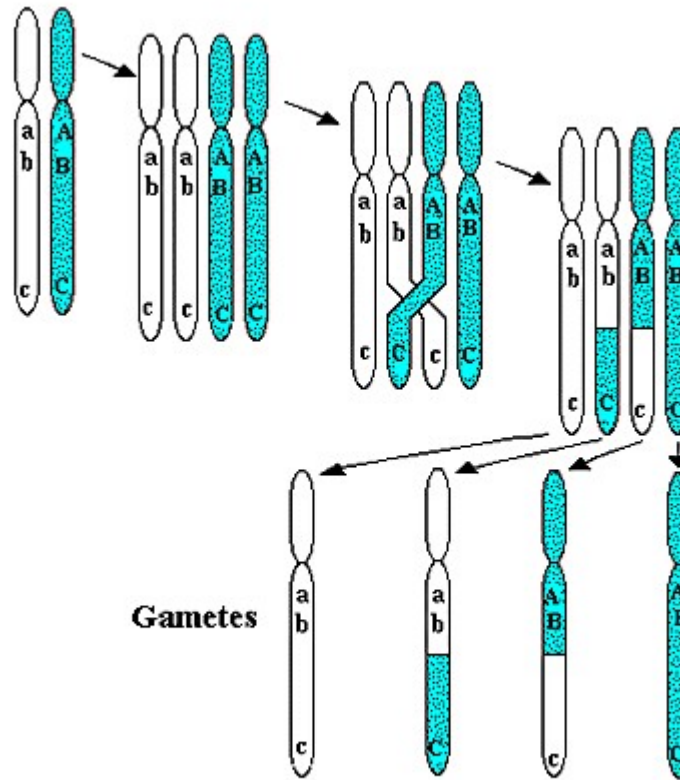
Insertion

Duplication

Deletion



# Recombination



Crossing-over and recombination during meiosis

Okay, lets get to the math !



# Substitution models

- At the simplest level, we study how a single nucleotide changes over time
- We build genome wide models of evolution in a bottom – up manner based on this.
- Alternatively, directly model evolution of higher granularity genomic units (like codons).



# Stochastic process

- Formulation : set of **indexed** random variables

$$\{ F_{X_t}(x) \text{ or } F(x, t) \mid t \in T \}$$

- Categories :

Examples of SPs :	Continuous $X_t$	Discrete $X_t$
Continuous t		
Discrete t		

# Stochastic process : what

- Notion of how a RV “evolves”
  - T may not be time, it may be complicated : like  $t = (x, y)$
- Why isnt t just a parameter in the RV ?

$$F_x(x) \leftarrow g(x, \theta)$$

$$F_{x,t}(x) \leftarrow g(x, t, \theta)$$

# Stationarity & homogeneity

$$F_{X_{t_1}, \dots, X_{t_k}}(x_{t_1}, \dots, x_{t_k})$$

homogeneous

$$= F_{X_{t_1+\tau}, \dots, X_{t_k+\tau}}(x_{t_1}, \dots, x_{t_k})$$

$$P_{X_0, X_{12}, X_{15}}(A, G, G) = P_{X_{30}, X_{42}, X_{45}}(A, G, G)$$

stationary

$$F_{X_{t+s} - X_s} = F_{X_t}$$

(discrete values)

$$P(X_{10} = A | X_5 = G) = P(X_{30} = A | X_{25} = G)$$

Is  $g$  a fn of  $t$ ?

# But evolutionary parameters change with time !

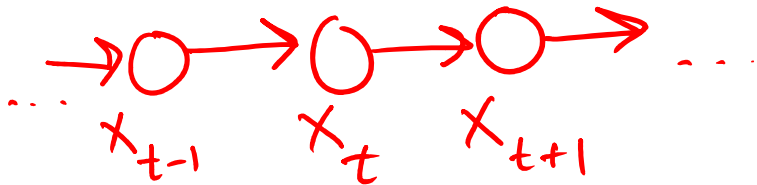
- Selectional forces change with time for example
- Piecewise homogenous and stationary processes are still possible ! ( over short evolutionary time )

# Continuous time Markov Process

- Markov Chains and Continuous Time Markov Processes are both Markovian
  - Future is conditionally independent of the past, given the present

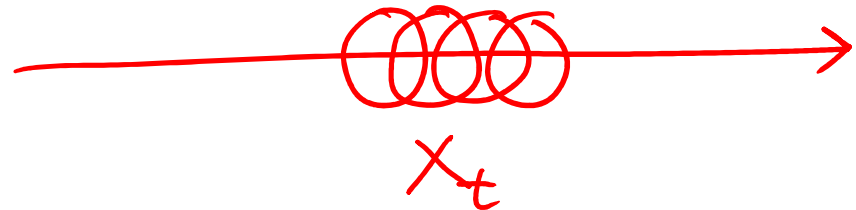
$$\begin{aligned} & P(X_{t_{k+1}} = x_{t_{k+1}} \mid X_{t_k} = x_{t_k}, X_{t_{k-1}} = x_{t_{k-1}}, \dots, X_{t_1} = x_{t_1}) \\ &= P(X_{t_{k+1}} = x_{t_{k+1}} \mid X_{t_k} = x_{t_k}) \\ & \quad [ \text{for } t_1 < t_2 < t_3 < \dots < t_{k-1} < t_k < t_{k+1} ] \end{aligned}$$

## MC



- Finite or countably infinite index
- Discrete valued
- Markovian

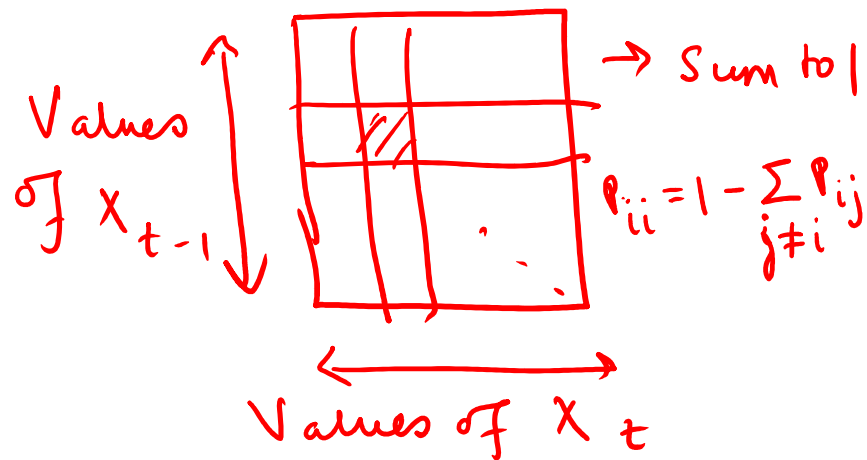
## CTMP



- Uncountably infinite index
- Discrete valued
- Markovian

## MC

- Parameterization

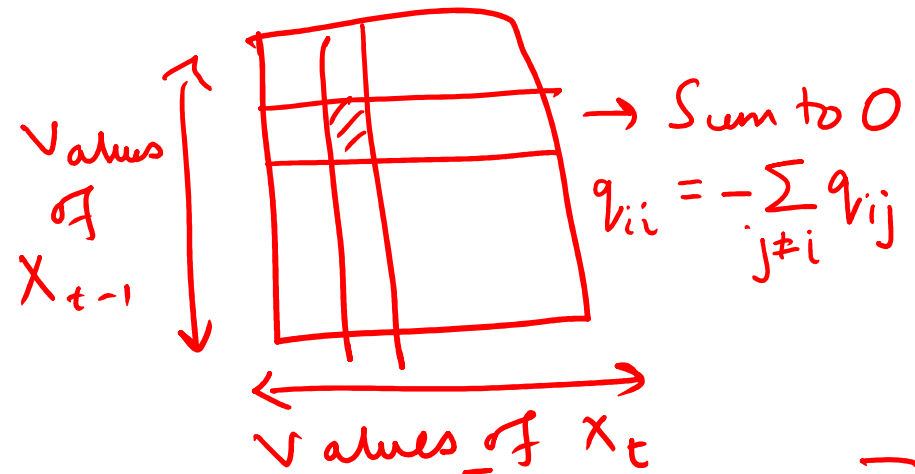


$$p_{ij} = P(X_t = j | X_{t-1} = i)$$

TRANSITION MATRIX  
 TRANSITION PROB. MATRIX

## CTMP

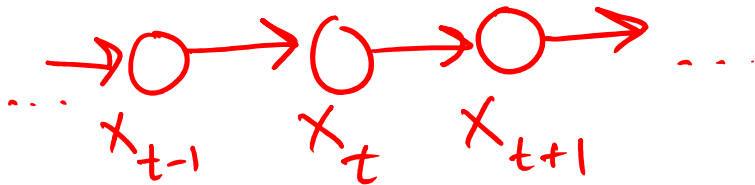
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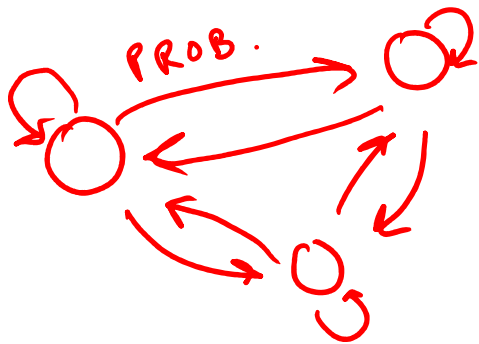
$$q_{ij} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \left[ \frac{P(X_{t+h} = j | X_t = i)}{h} \right]$$

INSTANTANEOUS RATE MATRIX

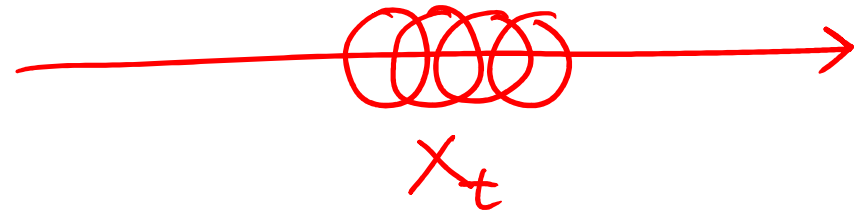
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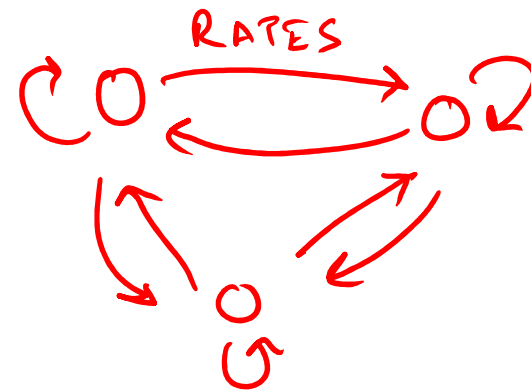
- State space diagram



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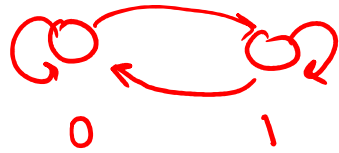
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HOW TO GET PROBABILITIES  
BY FIXING TIME?



# Rates to probabilities



$$Q = \begin{bmatrix} q_{00} & q_{01} \\ q_{10} & q_{11} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$P(t) = \begin{bmatrix} p_{00}(t) & p_{01}(t) \\ p_{10}(t) & p_{11}(t) \end{bmatrix}$$

$$G = P_t \cdot Q = \begin{bmatrix} p_{00}(t) & p_{01}(t) \\ p_{10}(t) & p_{11}(t) \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} q_{00} & q_{01} \\ q_{10} & q_{11} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} p_{00}(t)q_{00} + p_{01}(t)q_{10} & p_{00}(t)q_{01} + p_{01}(t)q_{11} \\ p_{10}(t)q_{00} + p_{11}(t)q_{10} & p_{10}(t)q_{01} + p_{11}(t)q_{11} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$G_{0,1} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{p_{00}(t) [P(X_{t+h}=1 | X_t=0)]}{h} + \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{p_{01}(t) [P(X_{t+h}=1 | X_t=1)]}{h}$$

$$= \text{Rate of change of } P(0 \rightarrow 1)$$

$$P_t \cdot Q = P'_t$$

# Formulation

$$P'(t) = P(t) \cdot g$$

$$\text{Let, } P(t) = e^{g \cdot t}$$

$$P'(t) = g \cdot e^{g \cdot t}$$

$$P(t) = c \cdot e^{g \cdot t} = g P(t)$$

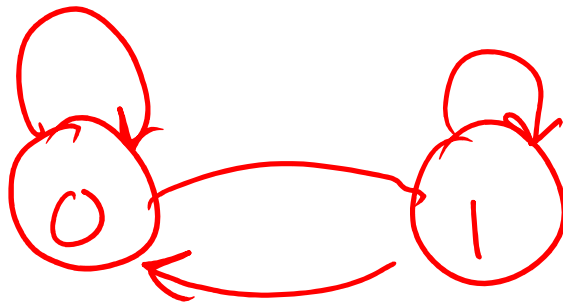
BOUNDARY COND.

# Calculating P(t)

$$P(t) = e^{q \cdot t}$$
$$= I + \frac{q t}{1!} + \frac{q^2 t^2}{2!} + \dots$$

How about a closed form  
soln?

[Why do we care]



$$Q = \begin{matrix} & \begin{matrix} 0 & 1 \end{matrix} \\ \begin{matrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{matrix} & \begin{bmatrix} -\mu & \mu \\ \mu & -\mu \end{bmatrix} \end{matrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} P'_{00}(t) & P'_{01}(t) \\ P'_{10}(t) & P'_{11}(t) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} P_{00}(t) & P_{01}(t) \\ P_{10}(t) & P_{11}(t) \end{bmatrix} e^{\begin{bmatrix} -\mu & \mu \\ \mu & -\mu \end{bmatrix} t}$$

$$P'_{01}(t) = P_{00}(t) \cdot \mu + (-\mu)P_{01}(t)$$

$$= (1 - P_{01}(t)) \cdot \mu$$

$$P'_{01}(t) + 2\mu P_{01}(t) = \mu$$

← OBTAIN BY SOLVING SIMULTANEOUS EQNS.

$$f'(x) + p(t)f(x) = q(t)$$

INTEGRATING  
FACTOR

$$u(t) = e^{\int p(t) dt} = e^{2\mu t}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
P_{01}(t) &= \frac{\int u(t) q_r(t) dt + c}{u(t)} \\
&= \frac{\int e^{2\mu t} \mu dt + c}{e^{2\mu t}} \\
&= \frac{\frac{1}{2} \int e^{2\mu t} d(2\mu t) + c}{e^{2\mu t}} \\
&= \left( \frac{1}{2} e^{2\mu t} + c \right) / e^{2\mu t}
\end{aligned}$$

## Boundary condition

$$t = 0, \quad p_{01}(t) = 0$$

$$0 = \frac{1}{2} + C \cdot 1$$

$$C = -\frac{1}{2}$$

How about  $t = \infty$ ?

Solve  
all  
out  
me  
and  
use  
normalization  
fact

$$P_{01}(t) = \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{2} e^{-2\mu t}$$

$$P_{00}(t) = 1 - P_{01}(t)$$

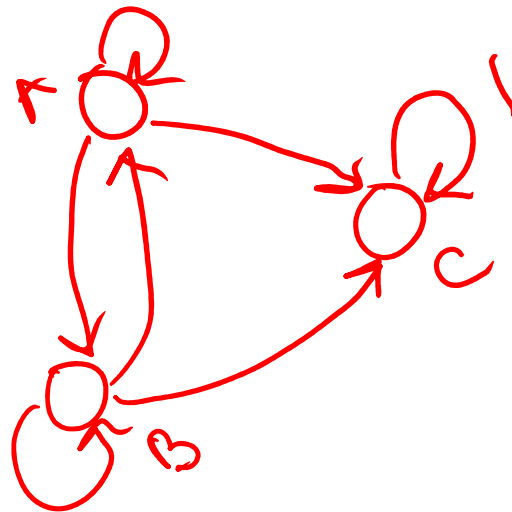
$$= \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2} e^{-2\mu t}$$



# Burning your bridges

- Can we come back to the states we are in ?
  - ever ? [ short term analysis ]
  - with the same rate that we go out of it ? [ long term analysis ]

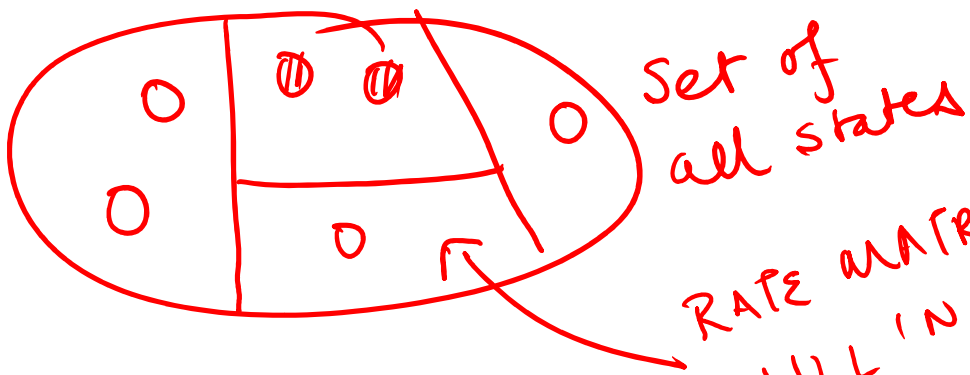
In a  
Markov  
Chain,



# Irreducibility

If  $P(X_{t+\tau} = j \mid X_t = i) > 0$  for some  $\tau$ ,  $j$  is accessible from  $i$

$$i A_j \wedge j A_i \iff i C_j \text{ [ } i \text{ communicates w/ } j \text{ ]}$$

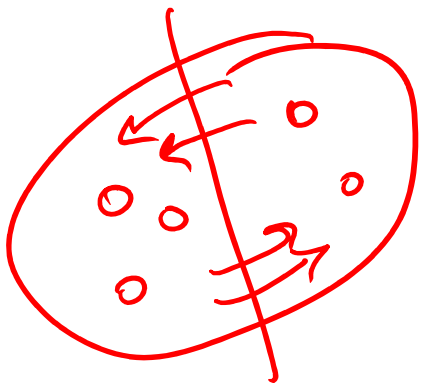


RATE MATRIX WILL INDUCE A COMMUNICABILITY PARTITION

SINGLE PARTITION = IRREDUCIBLE ST. DISTR.

# Detailed balance

- Is the “flow” of probability balanced ?
- Is the process time reversible ?
  - Can we use Bayes Rule to flip the  $X_0$  and  $X_t$  ?



$$\pi_i q_{ij} = \pi_j q_{ji} \quad \forall i, j$$

“Circulating back”

# Long run probabilities

- Equilibrium probability : we expect to see such nucleotide probabilities in current species

$$\begin{aligned}\pi P(t) &= \pi \\ \pi Q &= 0 \\ \pi_i &= \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} P(X_t = i) \\ \pi_j q_{j0} &= \sum_{i \neq j} \pi_i q_{ij} \\ \sum \pi_i &= 1\end{aligned}$$

SYMMETRY!

# Sometimes, lesser is better

- Jukes Cantor '69

$$Q = \begin{pmatrix} * & \frac{\mu}{4} & \frac{\mu}{4} & \frac{\mu}{4} \\ \frac{\mu}{4} & * & \frac{\mu}{4} & \frac{\mu}{4} \\ \frac{\mu}{4} & \frac{\mu}{4} & * & \frac{\mu}{4} \\ \frac{\mu}{4} & \frac{\mu}{4} & \frac{\mu}{4} & * \end{pmatrix}$$

$$P = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{4} + \frac{3}{4}e^{-t\mu} & \frac{1}{4} - \frac{1}{4}e^{-t\mu} & \frac{1}{4} - \frac{1}{4}e^{-t\mu} & \frac{1}{4} - \frac{1}{4}e^{-t\mu} \\ \frac{1}{4} - \frac{1}{4}e^{-t\mu} & \frac{1}{4} + \frac{3}{4}e^{-t\mu} & \frac{1}{4} - \frac{1}{4}e^{-t\mu} & \frac{1}{4} - \frac{1}{4}e^{-t\mu} \\ \frac{1}{4} - \frac{1}{4}e^{-t\mu} & \frac{1}{4} - \frac{1}{4}e^{-t\mu} & \frac{1}{4} + \frac{3}{4}e^{-t\mu} & \frac{1}{4} - \frac{1}{4}e^{-t\mu} \\ \frac{1}{4} - \frac{1}{4}e^{-t\mu} & \frac{1}{4} - \frac{1}{4}e^{-t\mu} & \frac{1}{4} - \frac{1}{4}e^{-t\mu} & \frac{1}{4} + \frac{3}{4}e^{-t\mu} \end{pmatrix}$$

Jukes, T.H. and C.R. Cantor. (1969)  
Evolution of Protein Molecules, pp. 21-132.  
Academic Press, New York.

# Confounding factor

- mu and t
  - higher time, lower mutation rate
  - lower time, higher mutation rate

$$P_{ij}(\nu) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{4} + \frac{3}{4}e^{-4\nu/3} & \text{if } i = j \\ \frac{1}{4} - \frac{1}{4}e^{-4\nu/3} & \text{if } i \neq j \end{cases}$$

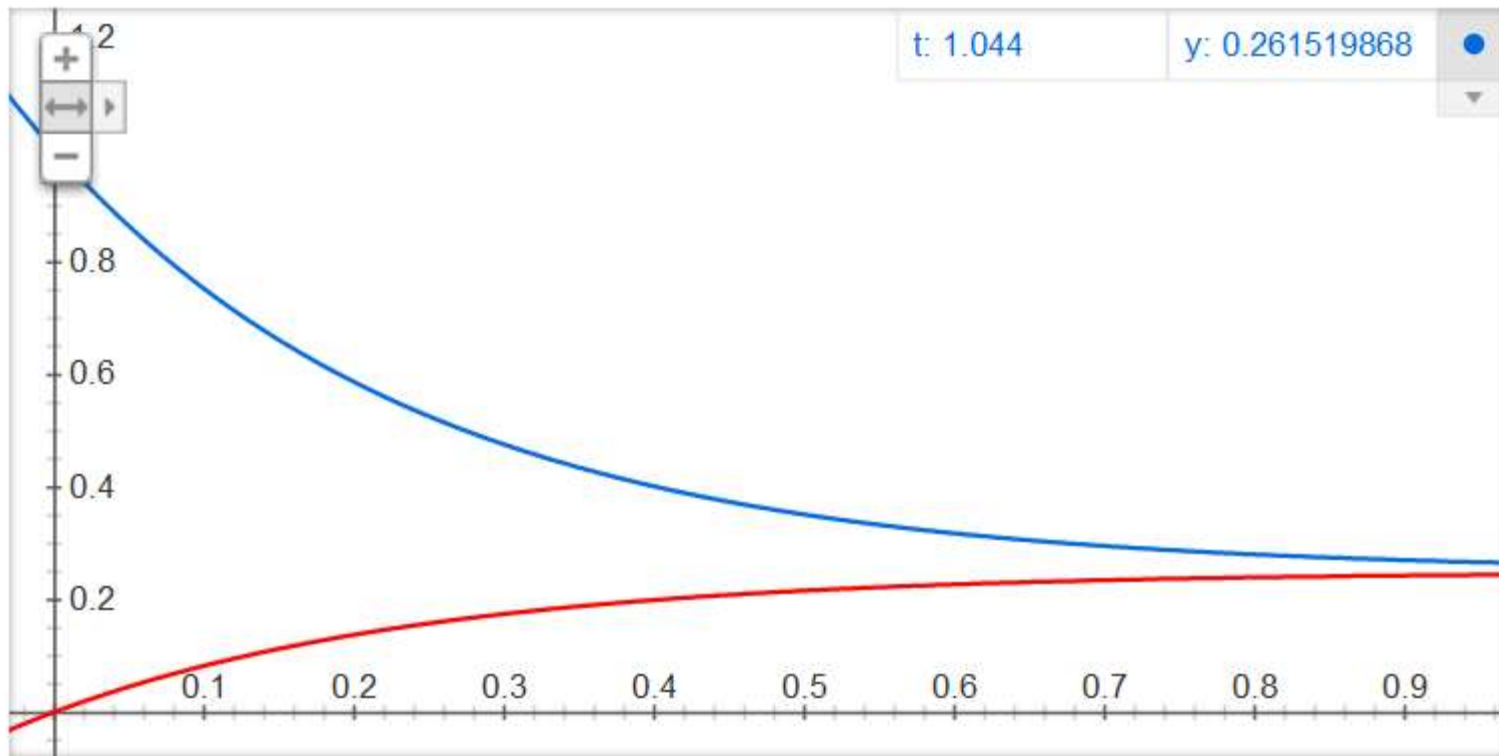
# Using symmetry

- Are A, T, G, C s interchangeable ?
  - then the equilibrium probabilities are 0.25
- How many functions of  $t$  and  $\mu$  are there anyway ? ( shrink the matrix for simultaneous eqns )

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# The nature of transition probabilities

Graph for  $0.25*(1+3*\exp((-4)*1*t))$ ,  $0.25*(1-\exp((-4)*1*t))$



- What are the equilibrium frequencies ?



# Transitions vs transversions

- Purine ( A, G )
- Pyrimidine ( C, T )
- Transition : purine to purine, or pyrimidine to pyrimidine
- 2 / 3 SNP are transitions

# Kimura '80

- Purines vs pyrimidines

$$Q = \begin{pmatrix} * & \kappa & 1 & 1 \\ \kappa & * & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & * & \kappa \\ 1 & 1 & \kappa & * \end{pmatrix} \times \mu$$

Kimura, M. (1980) A simple method for estimating evolutionary rates of base substitutions through comparative studies of nucleotide sequences. *Journal of Molecular Evolution*, 16, 111-120.

# Felsenstein '81

- Equilibrium frequencies modelled

$$Q = \begin{pmatrix} * & \pi_C & \pi_A & \pi_G \\ \pi_T & * & \pi_A & \pi_G \\ \pi_T & \pi_C & * & \pi_G \\ \pi_T & \pi_C & \pi_A & * \end{pmatrix}$$

$$P_{ij}(\nu) = \begin{cases} \pi_i + (1 - \pi_i) e^{-\beta\nu} & \text{if } i = j \\ \pi_j (1 - e^{-\beta\nu}) & \text{if } i \neq j \end{cases}$$

$$\beta = 1/(1 - \pi_A^2 - \pi_C^2 - \pi_G^2 - \pi_T^2)$$

Felsenstein, J. (1981) Evolutionary trees from DNA sequences: a maximum likelihood approach. *Journal of Molecular Evolution*, 17, 368-376.

# HKY 85

- K80 + F81

$$Q = \begin{pmatrix} * & \kappa\pi_C & \pi_A & \pi_G \\ \kappa\pi_T & * & \pi_A & \pi_G \\ \pi_T & \pi_C & * & \kappa\pi_G \\ \pi_T & \pi_C & \kappa\pi_A & * \end{pmatrix}$$

$$P_{AC}(\nu, \kappa, \pi) = \pi_C (1.0 - e^{-\beta\nu})$$

$$P_{AT}(\nu, \kappa, \pi) = \pi_T (1.0 - e^{-\beta\nu})$$

$$P_{AG}(\nu, \kappa, \pi) = \left[ \pi_G (\pi_A + \pi_G + (\pi_C + \pi_T)e^{-\beta\nu}) - \pi_G e^{-(1+(\pi_A+\pi_G)(\kappa-1.0))\beta\nu} \right] / (\pi_A + \pi_G)$$

$$P_{AA}(\nu, \kappa, \pi) = \left[ \pi_A (\pi_A + \pi_G + (\pi_C + \pi_T)e^{-\beta\nu}) + \pi_G e^{-(1+(\pi_A+\pi_G)(\kappa-1.0))\beta\nu} \right] / (\pi_A + \pi_G)$$

$$\beta = \frac{1}{2(\pi_A + \pi_G)(\pi_C + \pi_T) + 2\kappa[(\pi_A\pi_G) + (\pi_C\pi_T)]}$$

Hasegawa, M., H. Kishino, and T. Yano. (1985) Dating of human-ape splitting by a molecular clock of mitochondrial DNA. *Journal of Molecular Evolution*, 22, 160-174.

# Generalized time reversible (GTR)

$$Q = \begin{pmatrix} -(x_1 + x_2 + x_3) & \frac{\pi_1 x_1}{\pi_2} & \frac{\pi_1 x_2}{\pi_3} & \frac{\pi_1 x_3}{\pi_4} \\ x_1 & -\left(\frac{\pi_1 x_1}{\pi_2} + x_4 + x_5\right) & \frac{\pi_2 x_4}{\pi_3} & \frac{\pi_2 x_5}{\pi_4} \\ x_2 & x_4 & -\left(\frac{\pi_1 x_2}{\pi_3} + \frac{\pi_2 x_4}{\pi_3} + x_6\right) & \frac{\pi_3 x_6}{\pi_4} \\ x_3 & x_5 & x_6 & -\left(\frac{\pi_1 x_3}{\pi_4} + \frac{\pi_2 x_5}{\pi_4} + \frac{\pi_3 x_6}{\pi_4}\right) \end{pmatrix}$$

# Time vs real time

- Is the “t” real time ?
- How can we figure out the scale of change in real time ?
  - Coming up, when we study phylogenies

# Modelling higher granularity genomic entities

- Proteins
  - Dayhoff and other models
- Codons
  - Synonymous vs non synonymous change

# Empirical models

- Empirical models may not have a “rate matrix”

$$l(t) = \sum_i \sum_j n_{ij} \log [\pi_i P_{ij}(t)]$$

TIME  $\longleftrightarrow$  PARAMETER

TRANSITION PROBABILITY



# Codon table

- Synonymous & non synonymous mutations

		Seconded Position								
		U		C		A		G		
First Position	U	code	Amino Acid	code	Amino Acid	code	Amino Acid	code	Amino Acid	
		UUU	phe	UCU	ser	UAU	tyr	UGU	cys	U
		UUC		UCC		UAC		UGC		C
		UUA	leu	UCA	UAA	STOP	UGA	STOP	A	
	UUG	UCG		UAG	STOP	UGG	trp	G		
	C	CUU	leu	CCU	pro	CAU	his	CGU	arg	U
		CUC		CCC		CAC	CGC	C		
		CUA		CCA		CAA	gln	CGA		A
		CUG		CCG		CAG	CGG	G		
	A	AUU	ile	ACU	thr	AAU	asn	AGU	ser	U
		AUC		ACC		AAC	AGC	C		
		AUA		ACA		AAA	lys	AGA	A	
		AUG	met	ACG		AAG	AGG	G		
	G	GUU	val	GCU	ala	GAU	asp	GGU	gly	U
		GUC		GCC		GAC	GGC	C		
		GUA		GCA		GAA	glu	GGA		A
		GUG		GCG		GAG	GGG	G		

# Goldman & Yang, 1994

- Bottom up modelling :

$$\begin{aligned} q_{ij} &= 0 \quad [i \& j \text{ differ by 2 or 3 codon} \\ &\quad \text{positions}] \\ &= \pi_j \quad [ \text{differ by 1 syn. transversion} ] \\ &= \kappa \pi_j \quad [ \text{differ by 1 syn. transition} ] \\ &= \omega \pi_j \quad [ \text{differ by 1 non-syn. transversion} ] \\ &= \omega \kappa \pi_j \quad [ \text{differ by 1 non-syn. transition} ] \end{aligned}$$

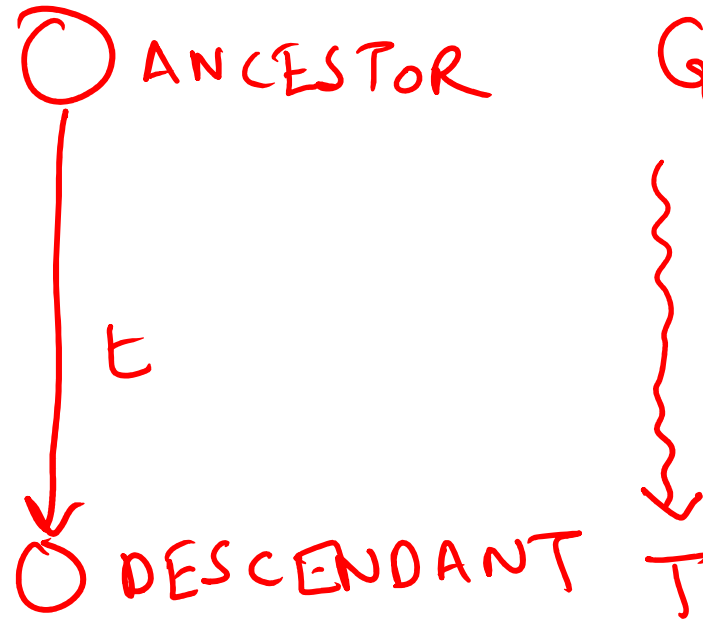
# Selection

- Most generally :
  - Biasing model to one form of change over another
- Happens at every level :
  - Nucleotide ( Transition vs transversion )
  - Nucleotide in the context of a Codon ( Synonymous vs non synonymous )
  - Codon ( some classes of amino acids may be interchangeable )

# Selection

- We will talk more about selection and how it shapes our genomes after we study evolutionary trees

# Modelling a lineage

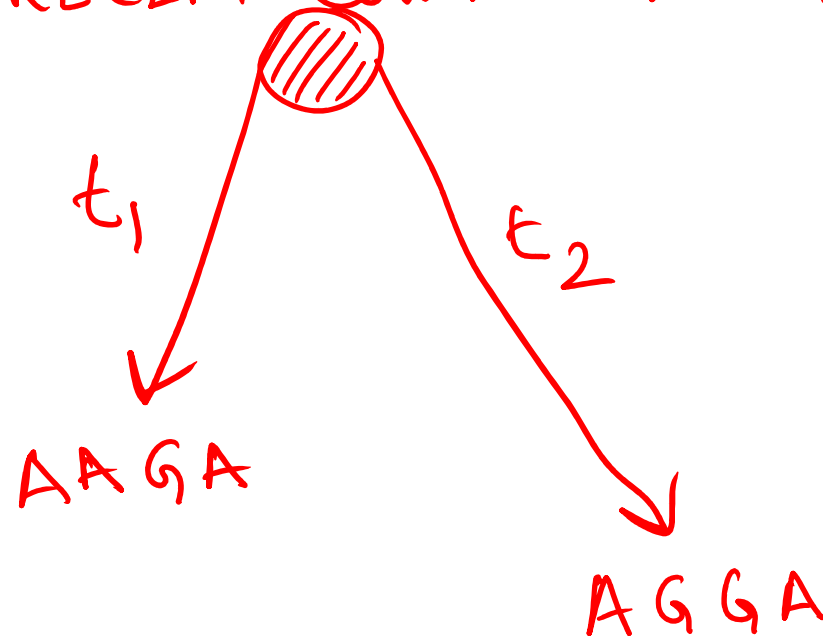


- What's the catch ?

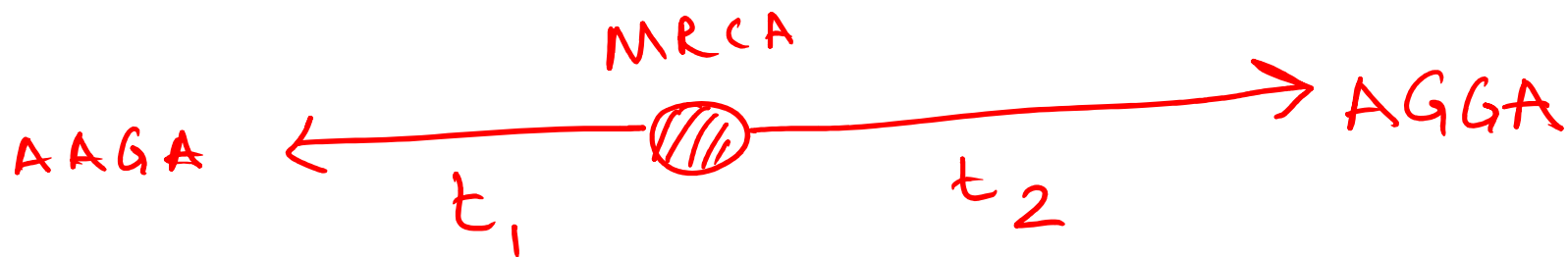
# Modelling two extant species

MRCA

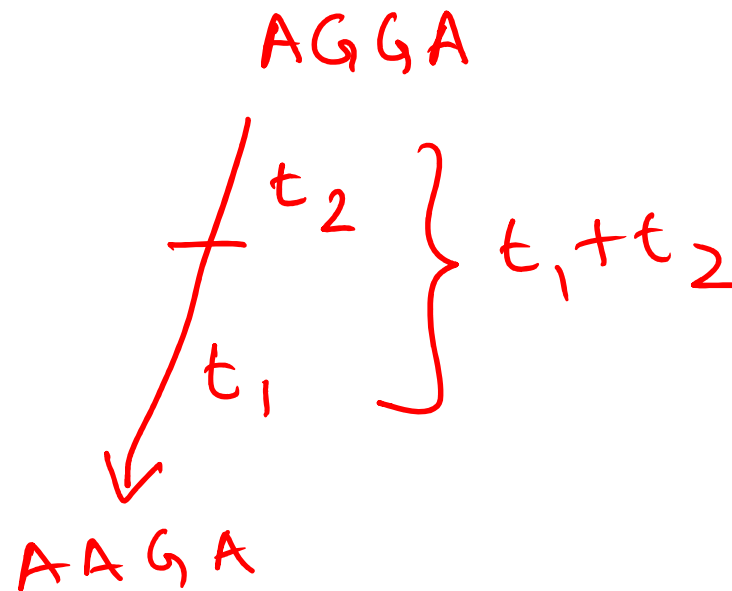
[MOST RECENT COMMON ANCESTOR]



# Modelling two extant species



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# Why can we do this ?

- Is it because they are :
  - Markovian ?
  - Or because they are memoryless ?
  - Or because they are time reversible ? ✓



# All together now ...

- Why just model a single lineage and forces acting on it ?
- Why not take into account all the species that branched off from that lineage ?
  - The more the merrier, in statistics
  - Which is where phylogenies come in !

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