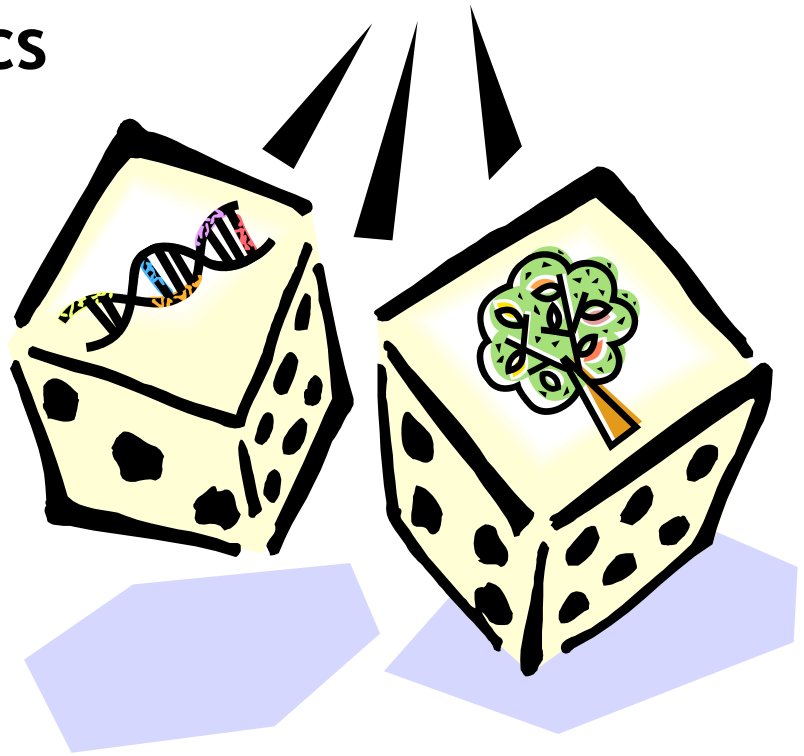
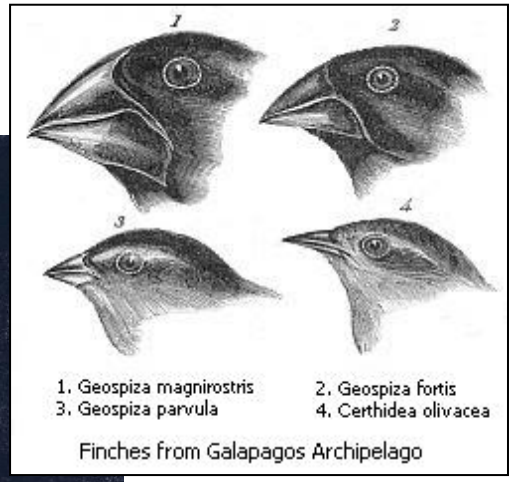
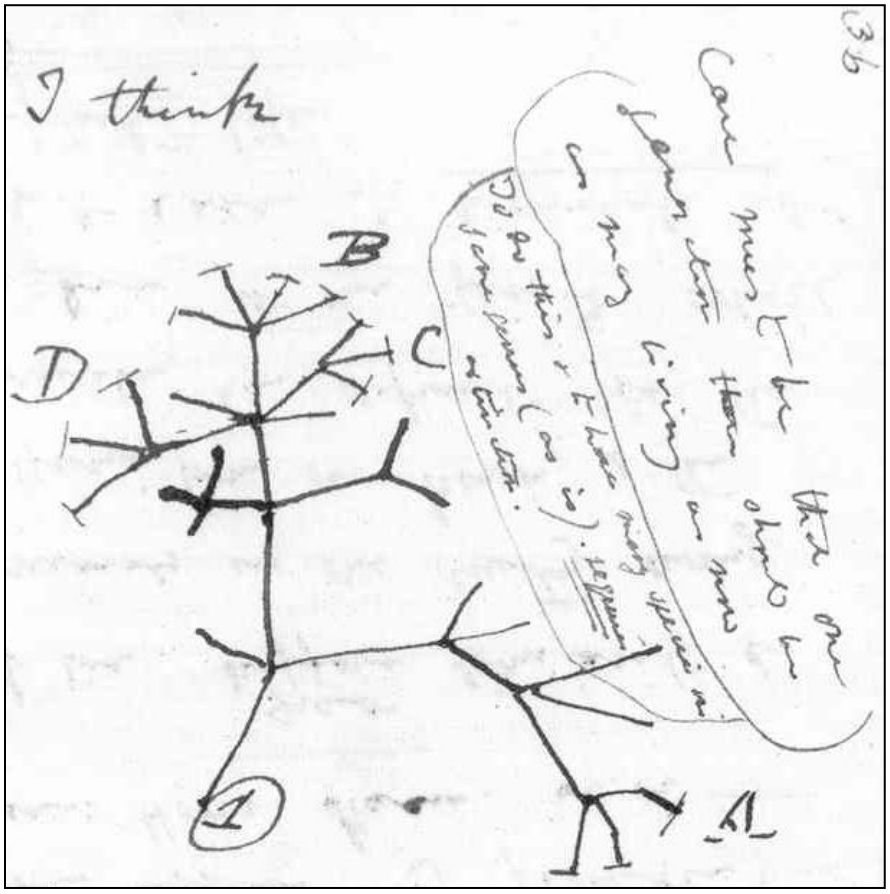
MATH 833:
Stochastic Processes
in Evolution and Genetics



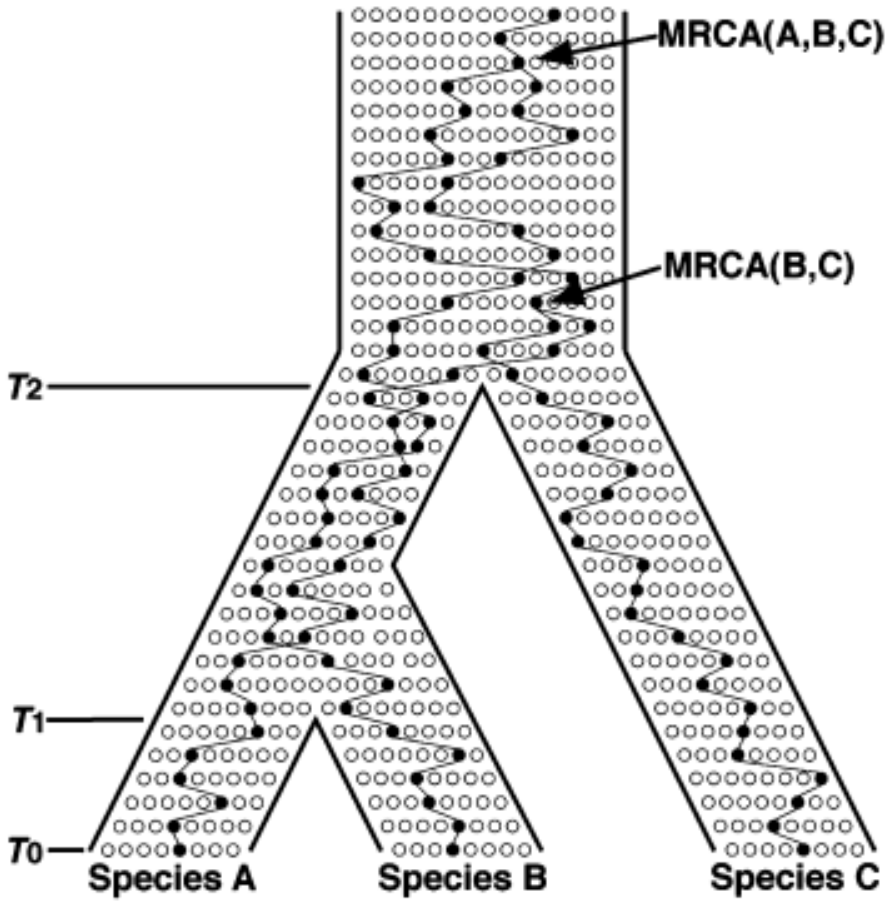
Darwin's finches



evolutionary tree



zooming in on populations



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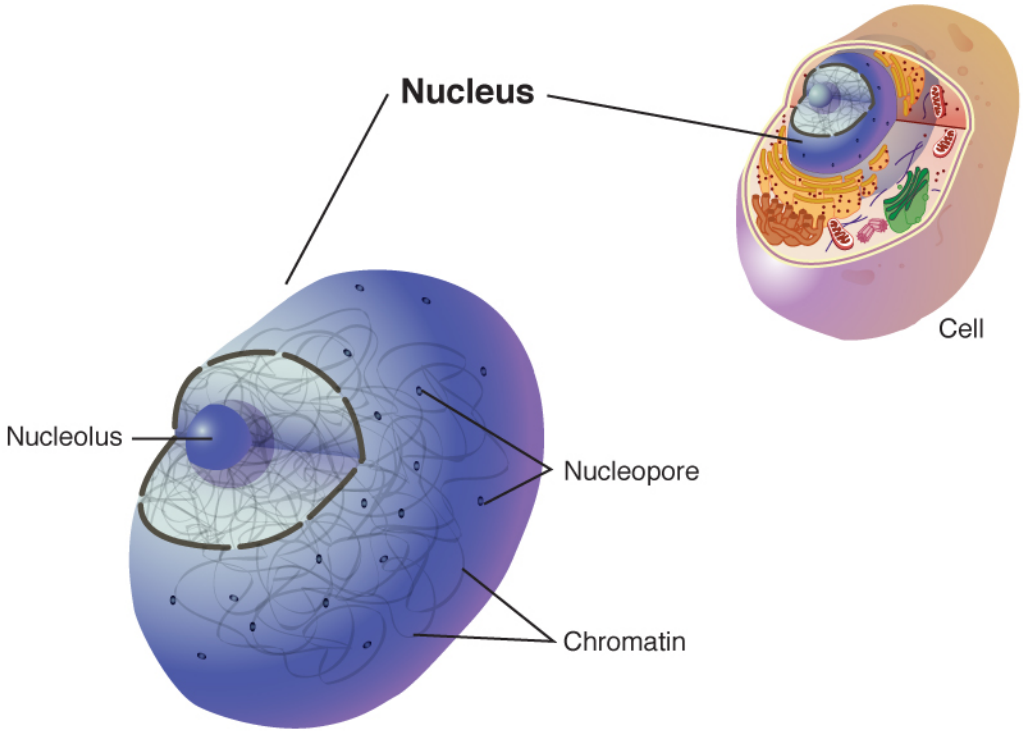
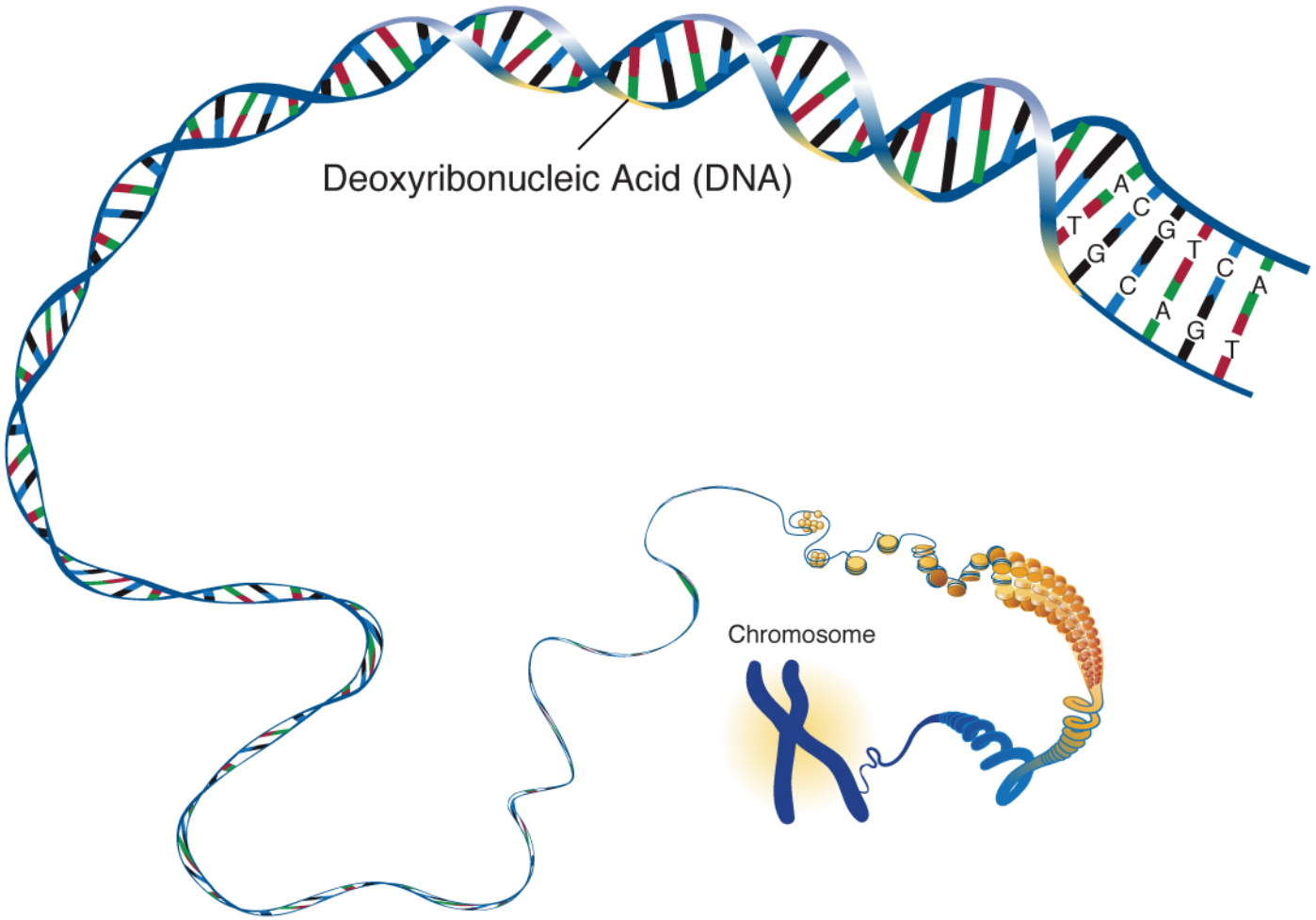
Nucleus



DNA (Deoxyribonucleic Acid)



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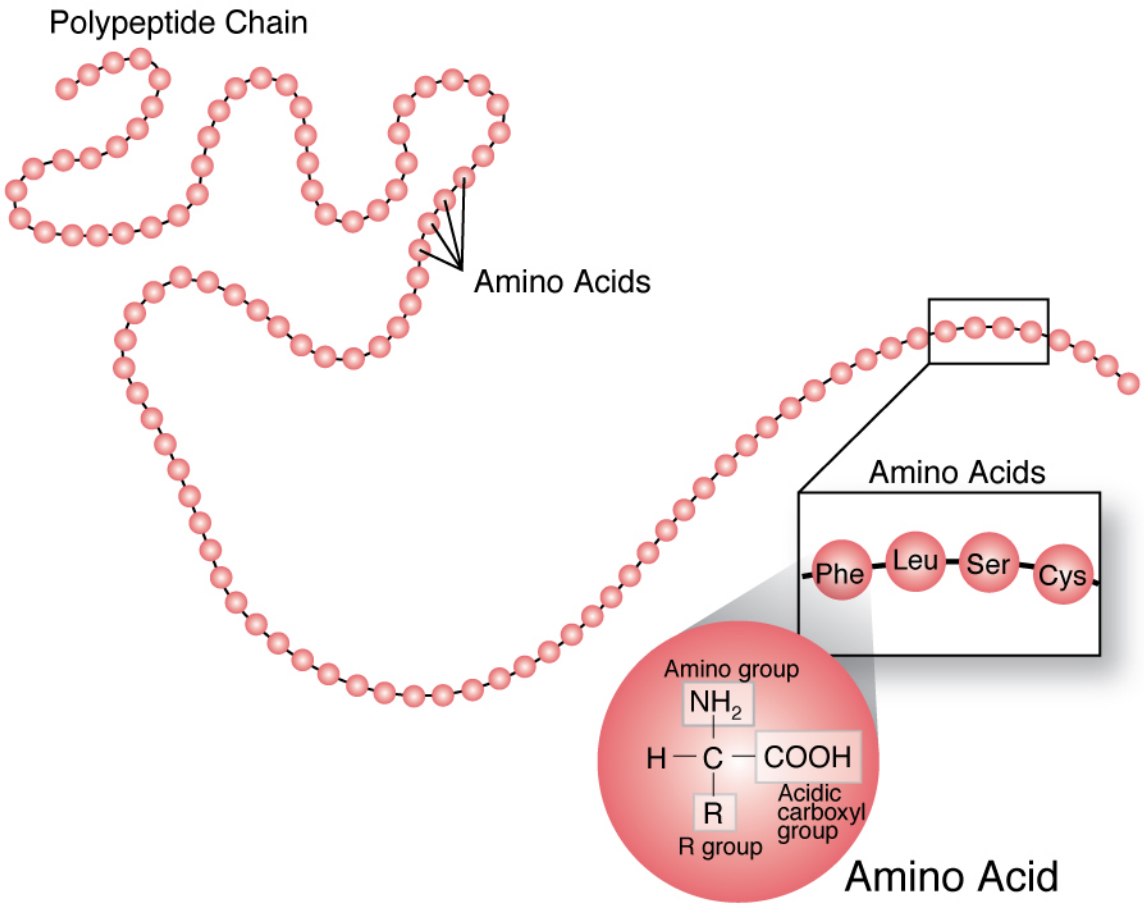
Genetic Code

RNA codon table

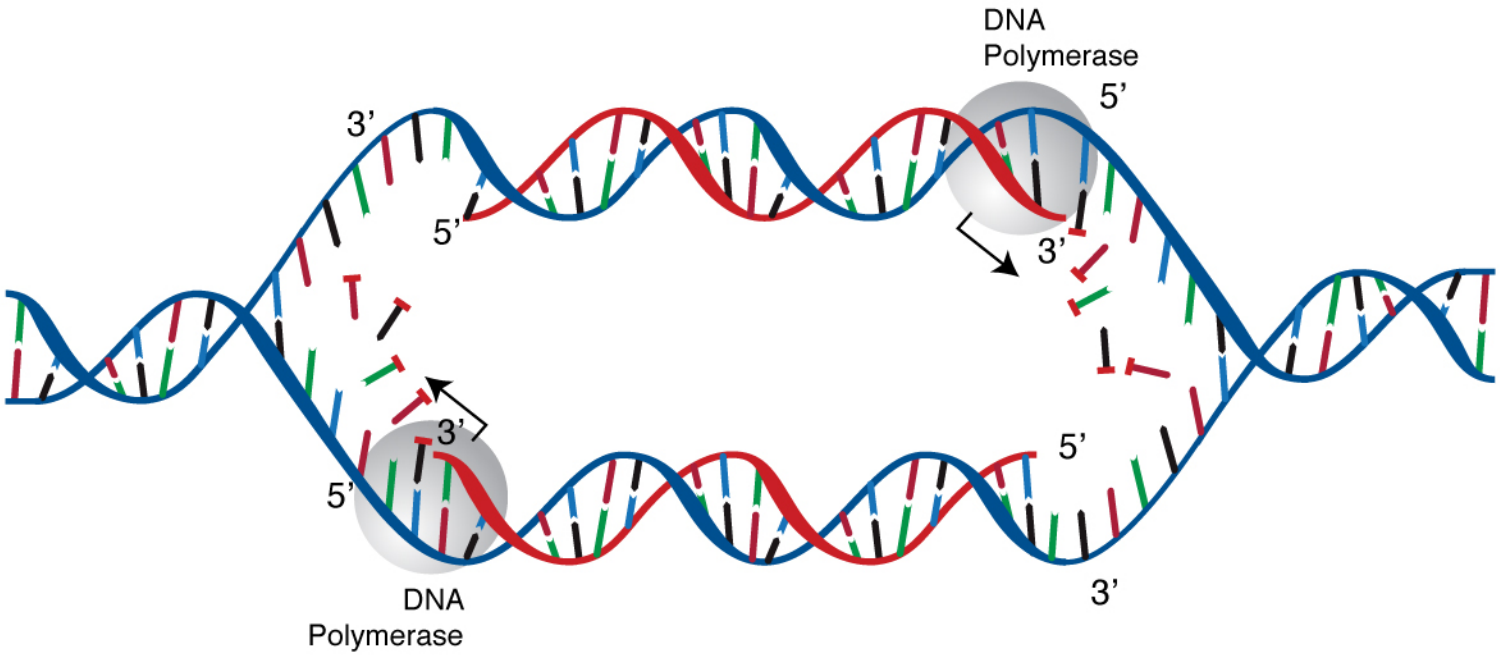
1st position	2nd position U	2nd position C	2nd position A	2nd position G	3rd position
U	Phe	Ser	Tyr	Cys	U
	Phe	Ser	Tyr	Cys	C
	Leu	Ser	stop	stop	A
	Leu	Ser	stop	Trp	G
C	Leu	Pro	His	Arg	U
	Leu	Pro	His	Arg	C
	Leu	Pro	Gln	Arg	A
	Leu	Pro	Gln	Arg	G
A	Ile	Thr	Asn	Ser	U
	Ile	Thr	Asn	Ser	C
	Ile	Thr	Lys	Arg	A
	Met	Thr	Lys	Arg	G
G	Val	Ala	Asp	Gly	U
	Val	Ala	Asp	Gly	C
	Val	Ala	Glu	Gly	A
	Val	Ala	Glu	Gly	G
	Amino Acids				

Ala: Alanine
Arg: Arginine
Asn: Asparagine
Asp:Aspartic acid
Cys:Cysteine
Gln: Glutamine
Glu: Glutamic acid
Gly: Glycine
His: Histidine
Ile: Isoleucine
Leu: Leucine
Lys: Lysine
Met: Methionine
Phe: Phenylalanine
Pro: Proline
Ser: Serine
Thr: Threonine
Trp: Tryptophane
Tyr: Tyrosisne
Val: Valine

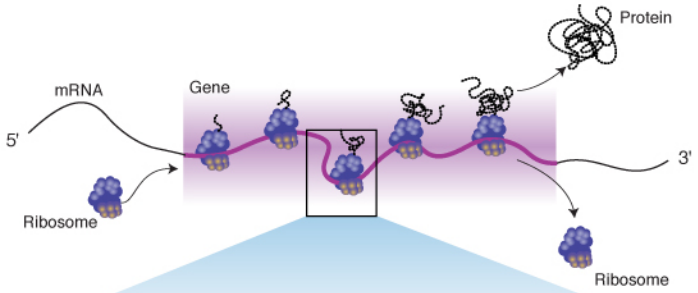
Amino Acid

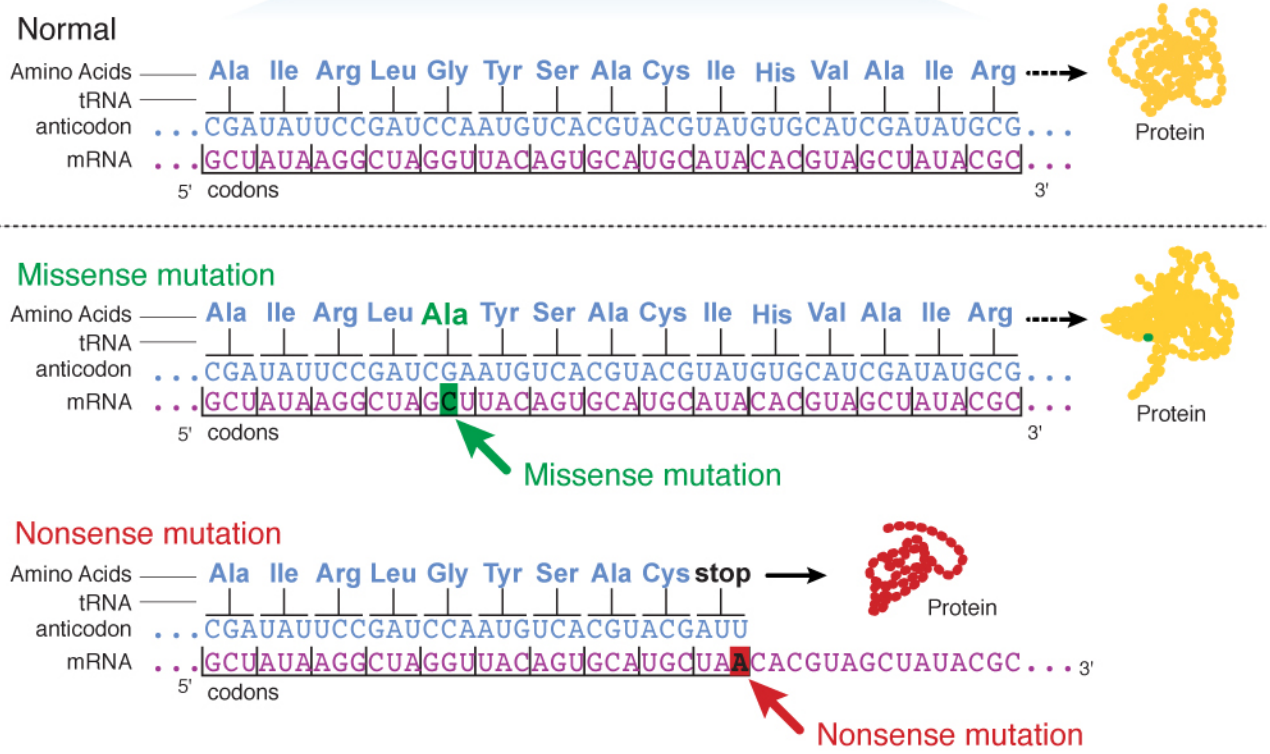

Polypeptide Chain
Amino Acids
Amino Acids
Phe
Leu
Ser
Cys
Amino group
NH_2
H — C — COOH
R
R group
Acidic carboxyl group
Amino Acid

DNA Replication

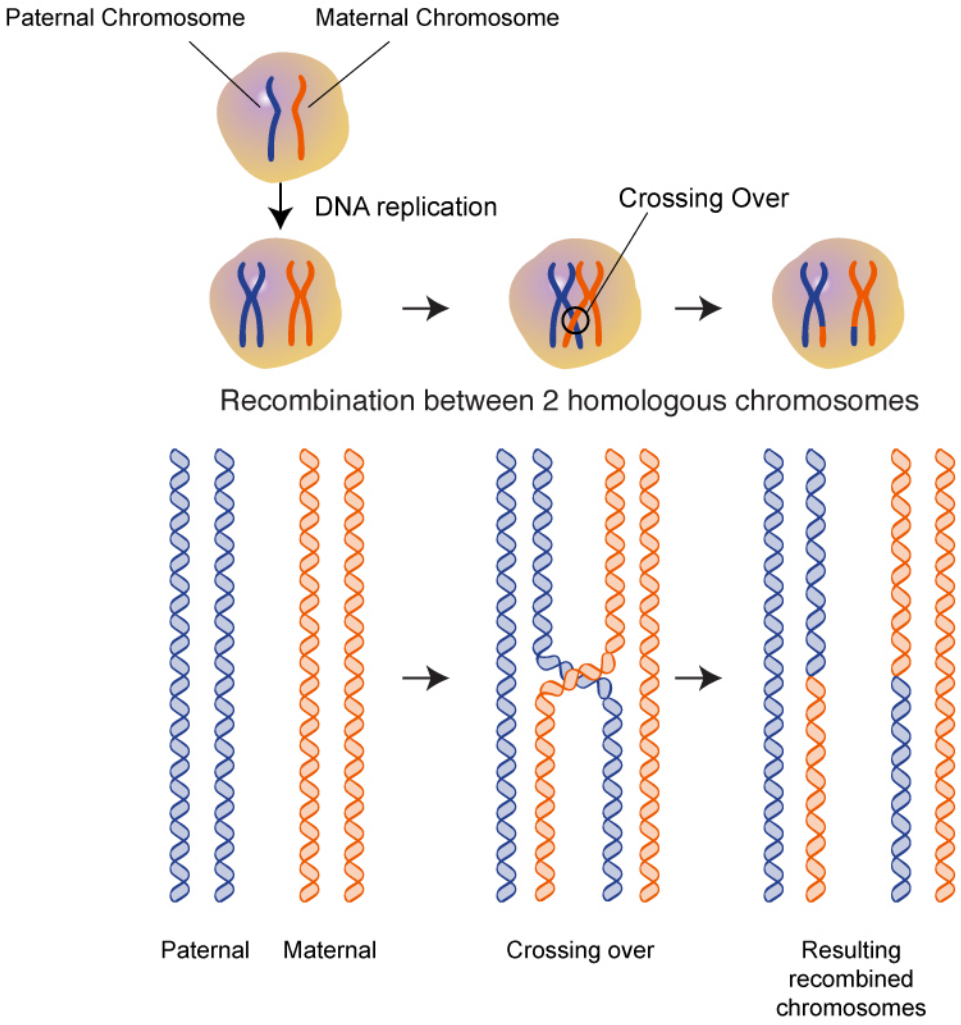


Point mutation

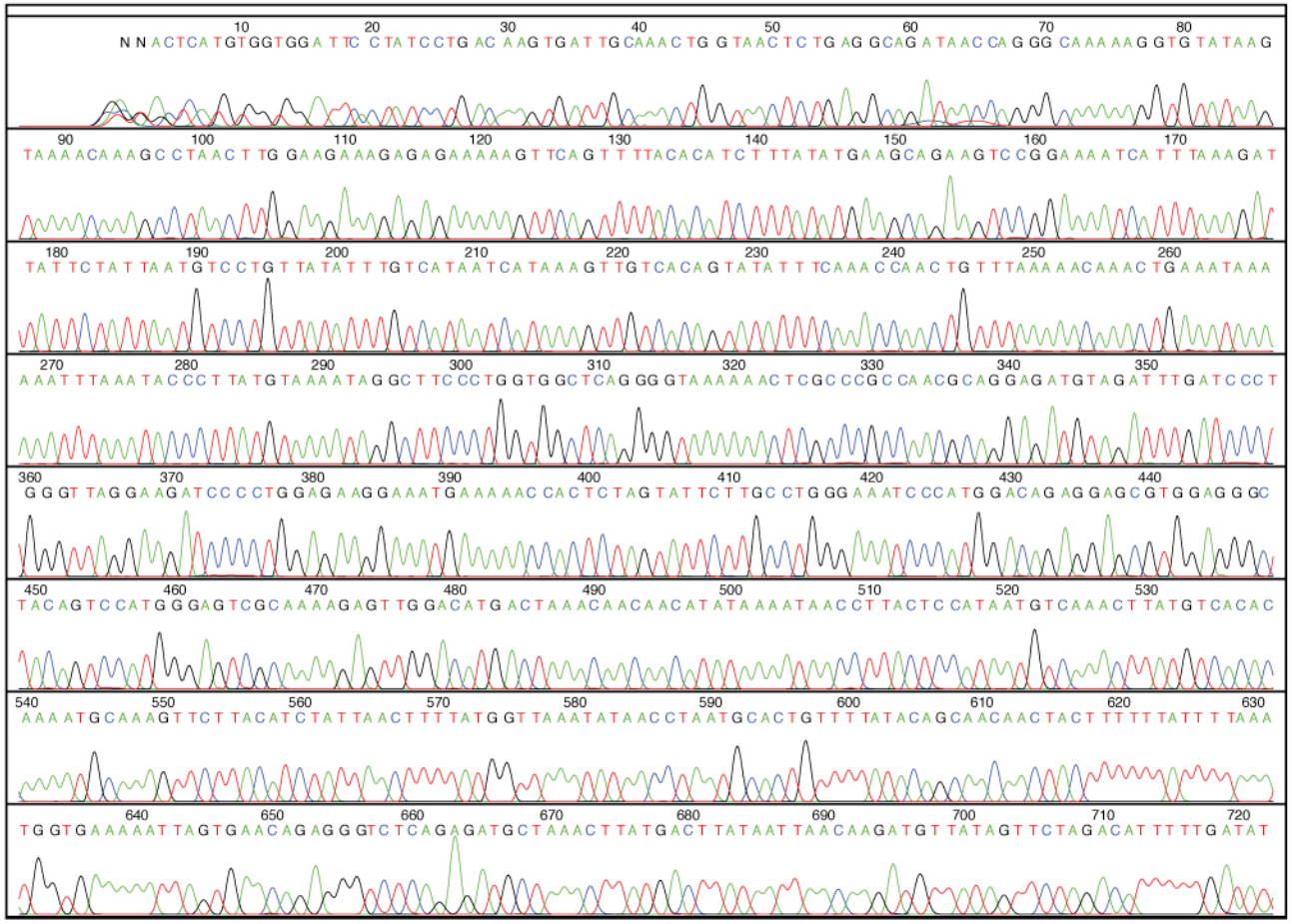




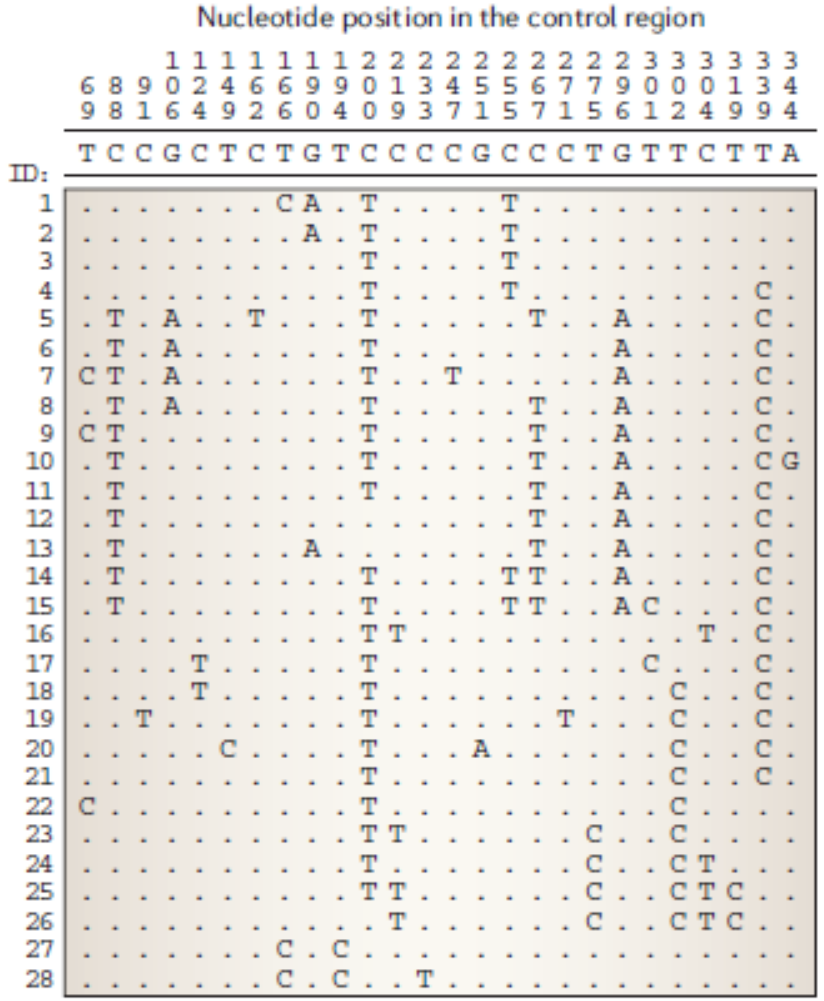
Homologous recombination



DNA Sequencing



genetic variation



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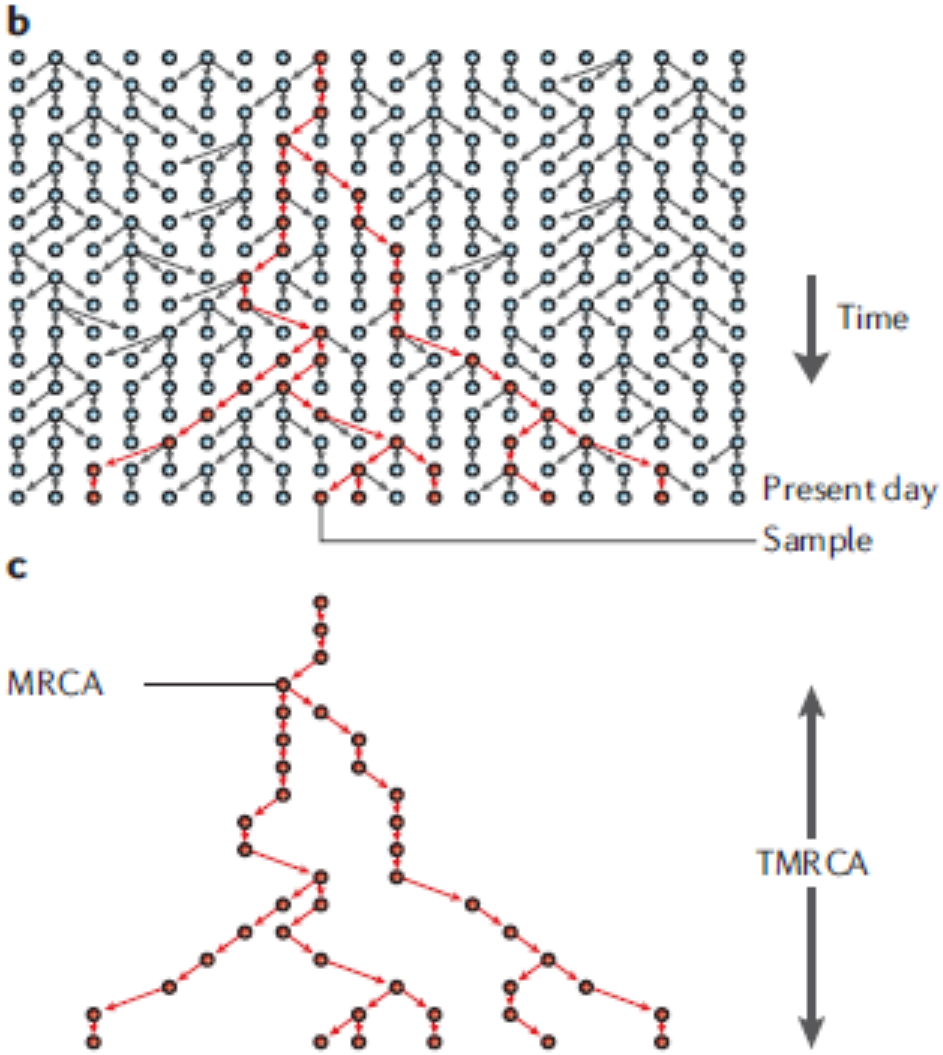
looking backwards in time



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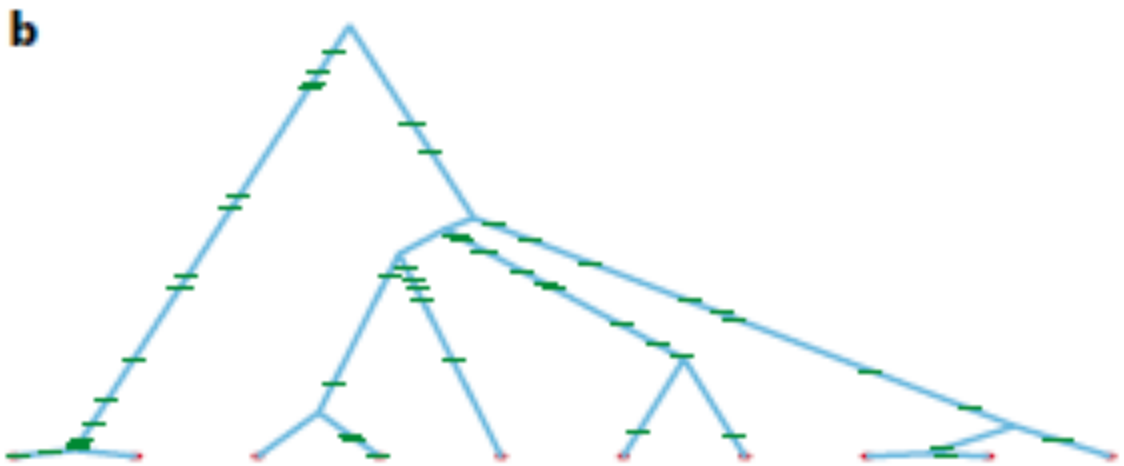
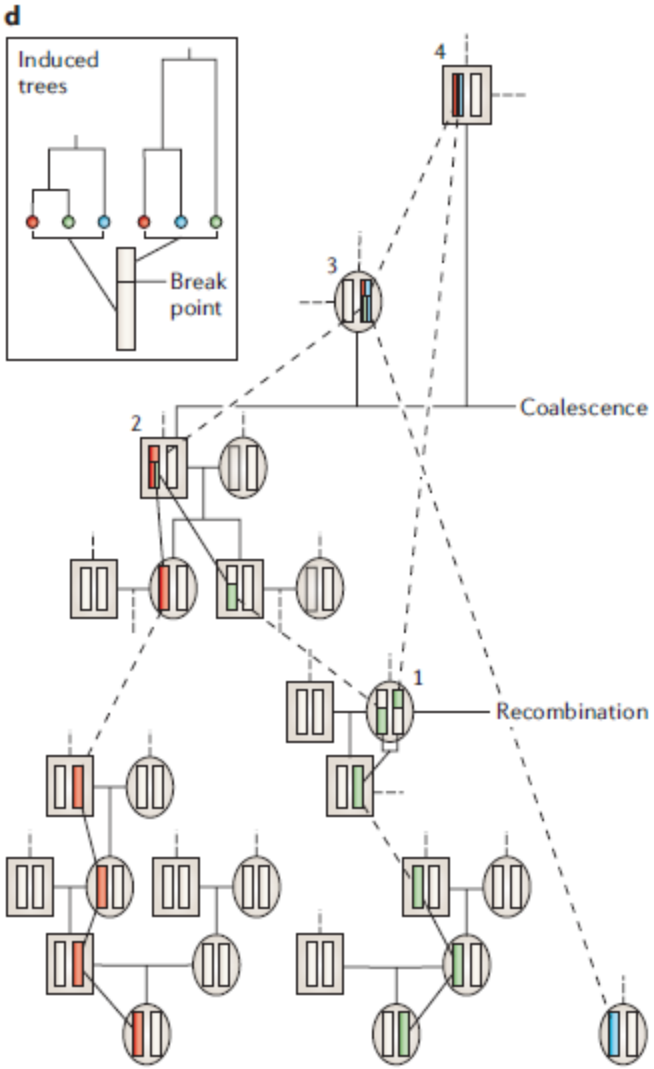
mutations



Rosenberg & Nordborg, *Nature Reviews Genetics* (2002)

ancestral recombination graph



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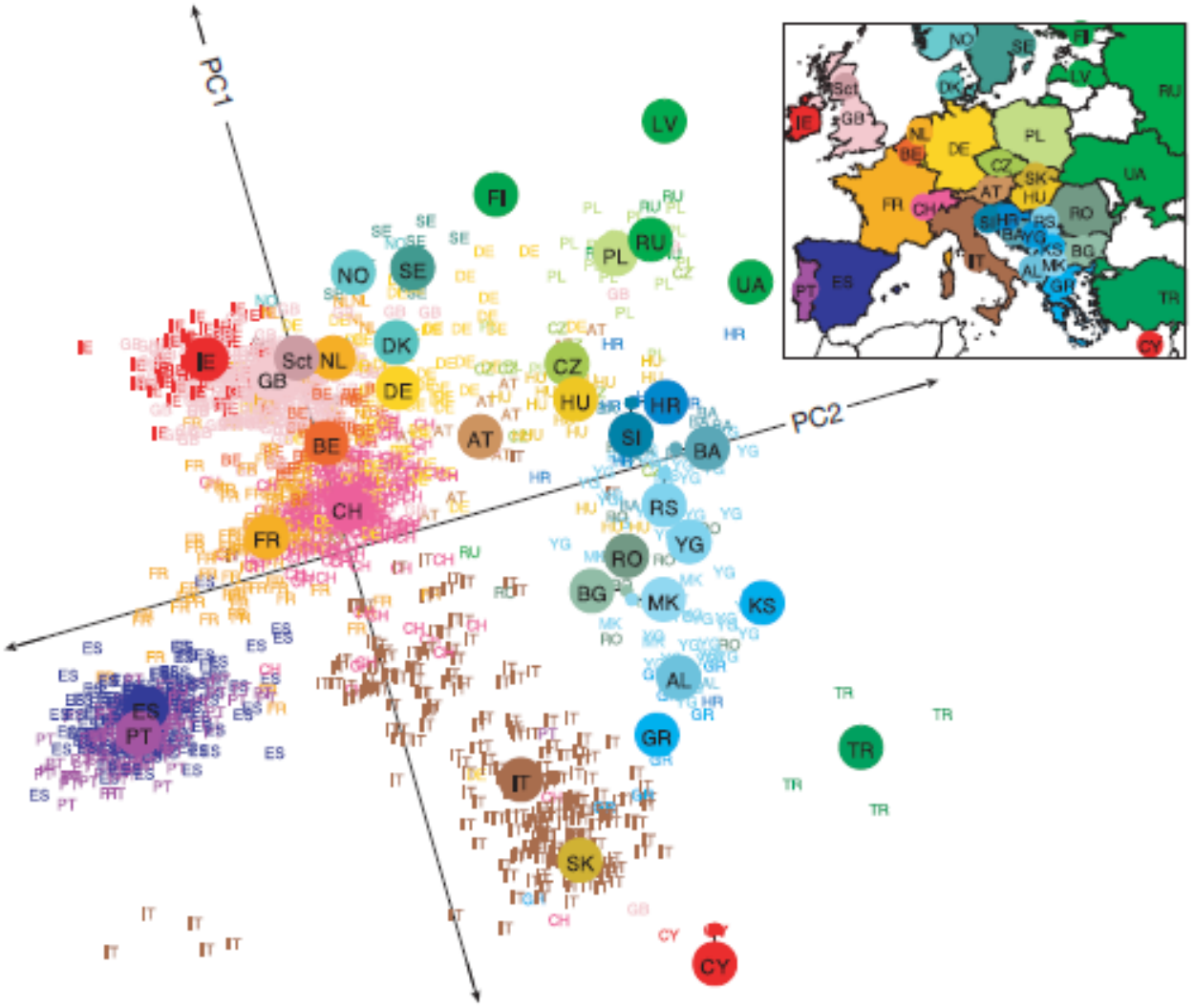
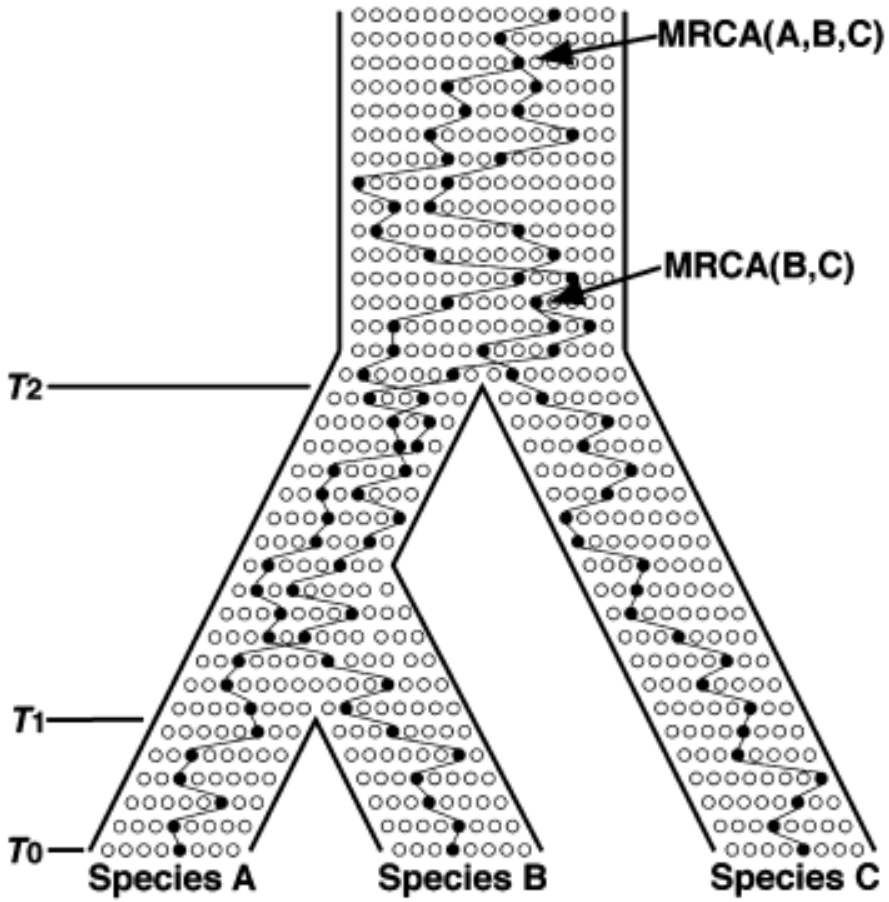
population genomics



Novembre et al., *Nature (2008)*

at the inter-species level



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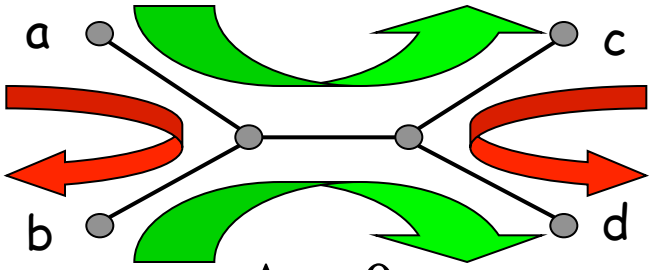
evolutionary distance

$$\Delta = D'(a,c) + D'(b,d) - D'(a,b) - D'(c,d)$$



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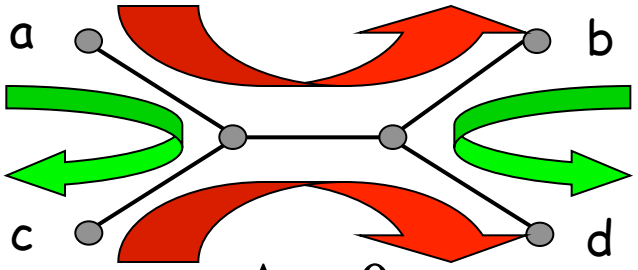

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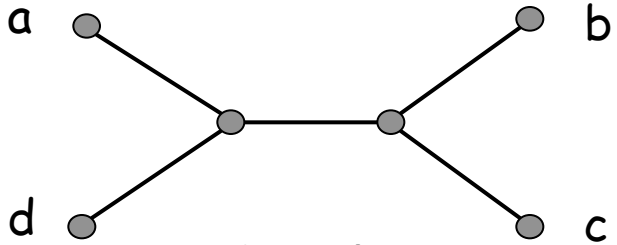

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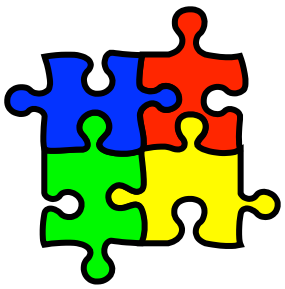
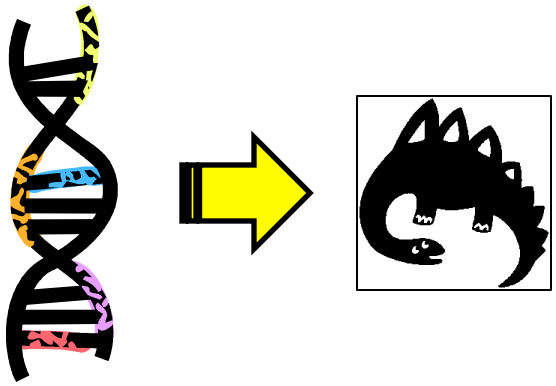
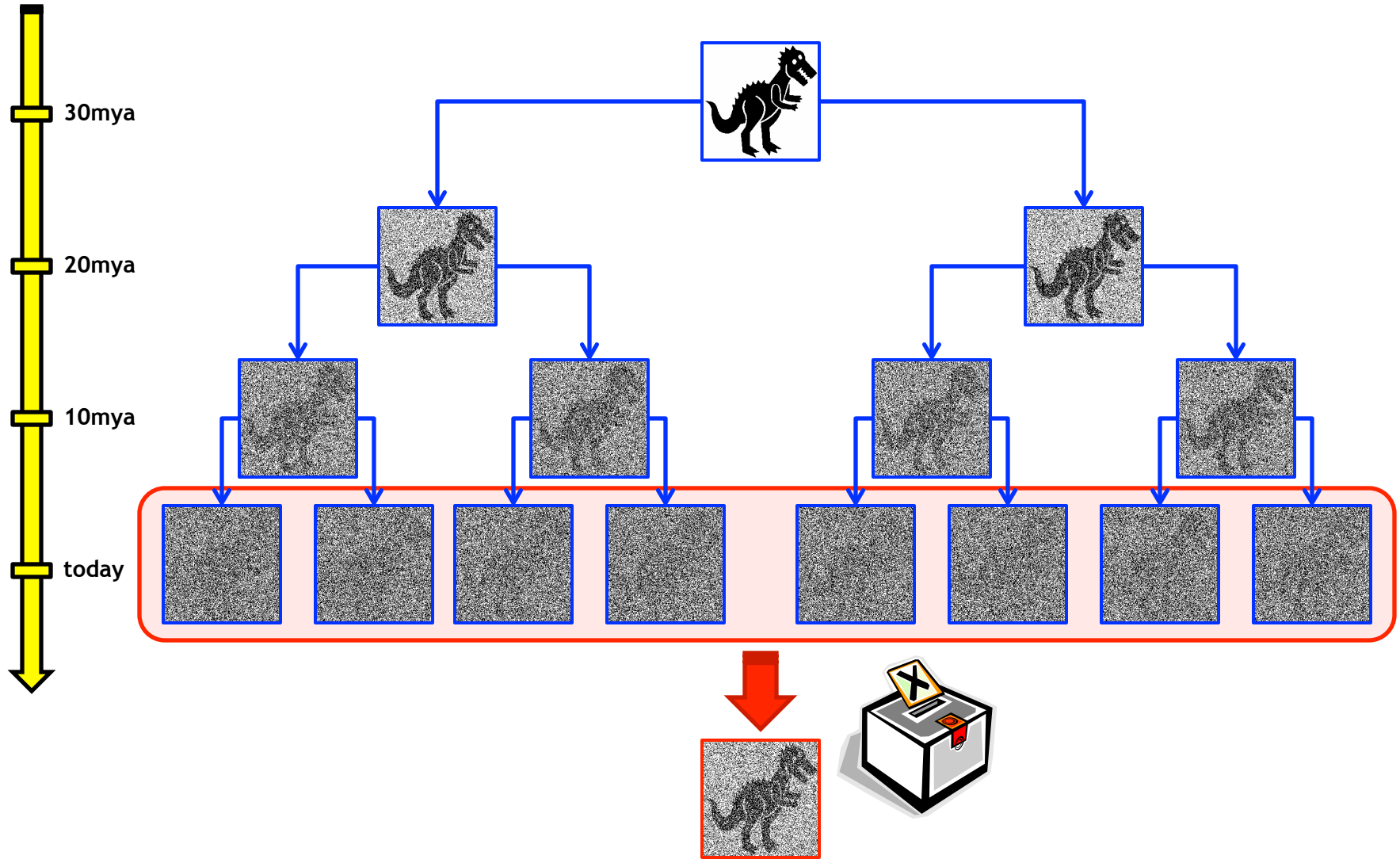




Daskalakis & Roch, *Microsoft TechFest (2009)*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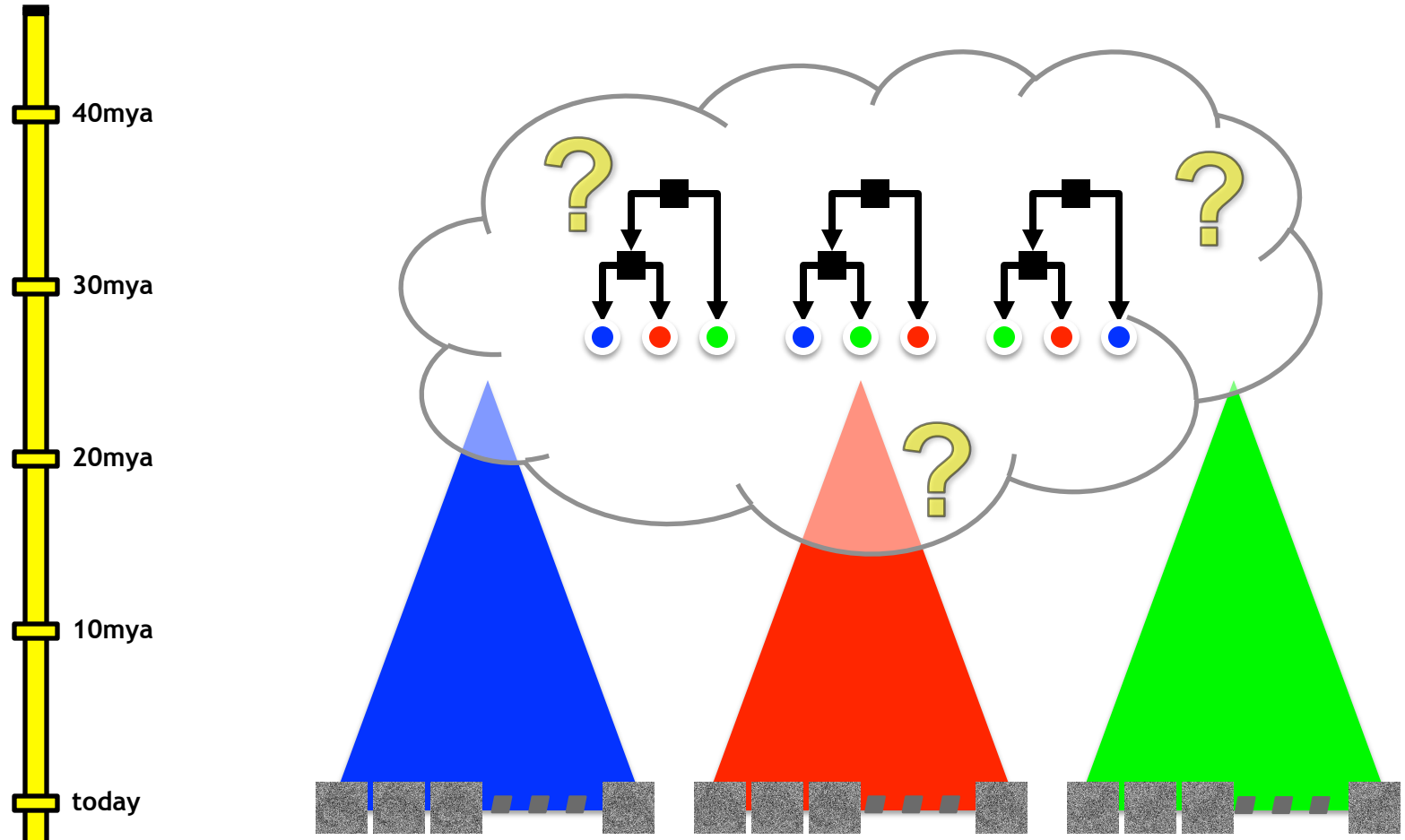
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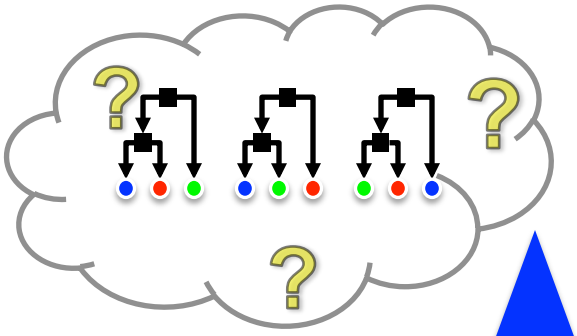
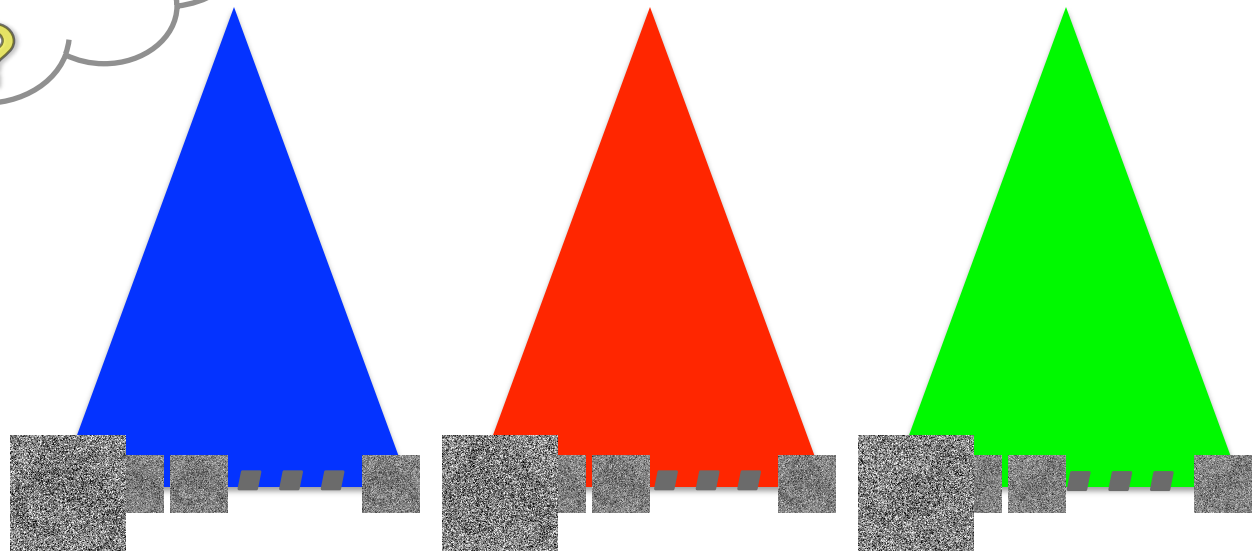
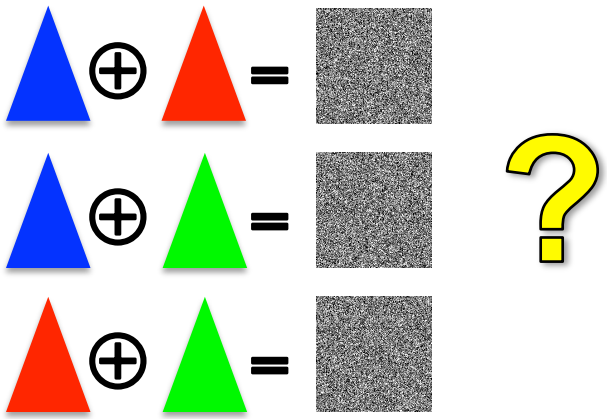
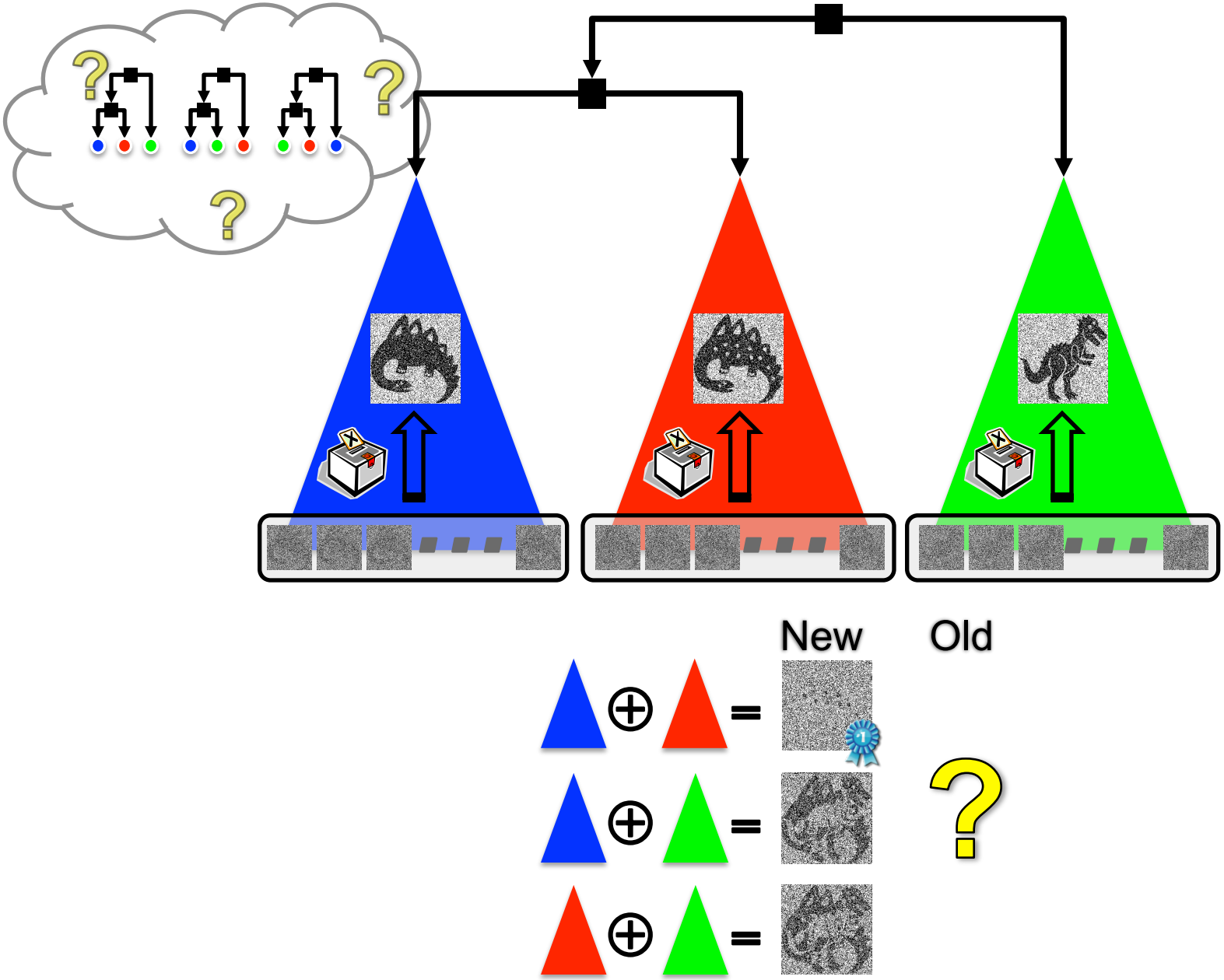
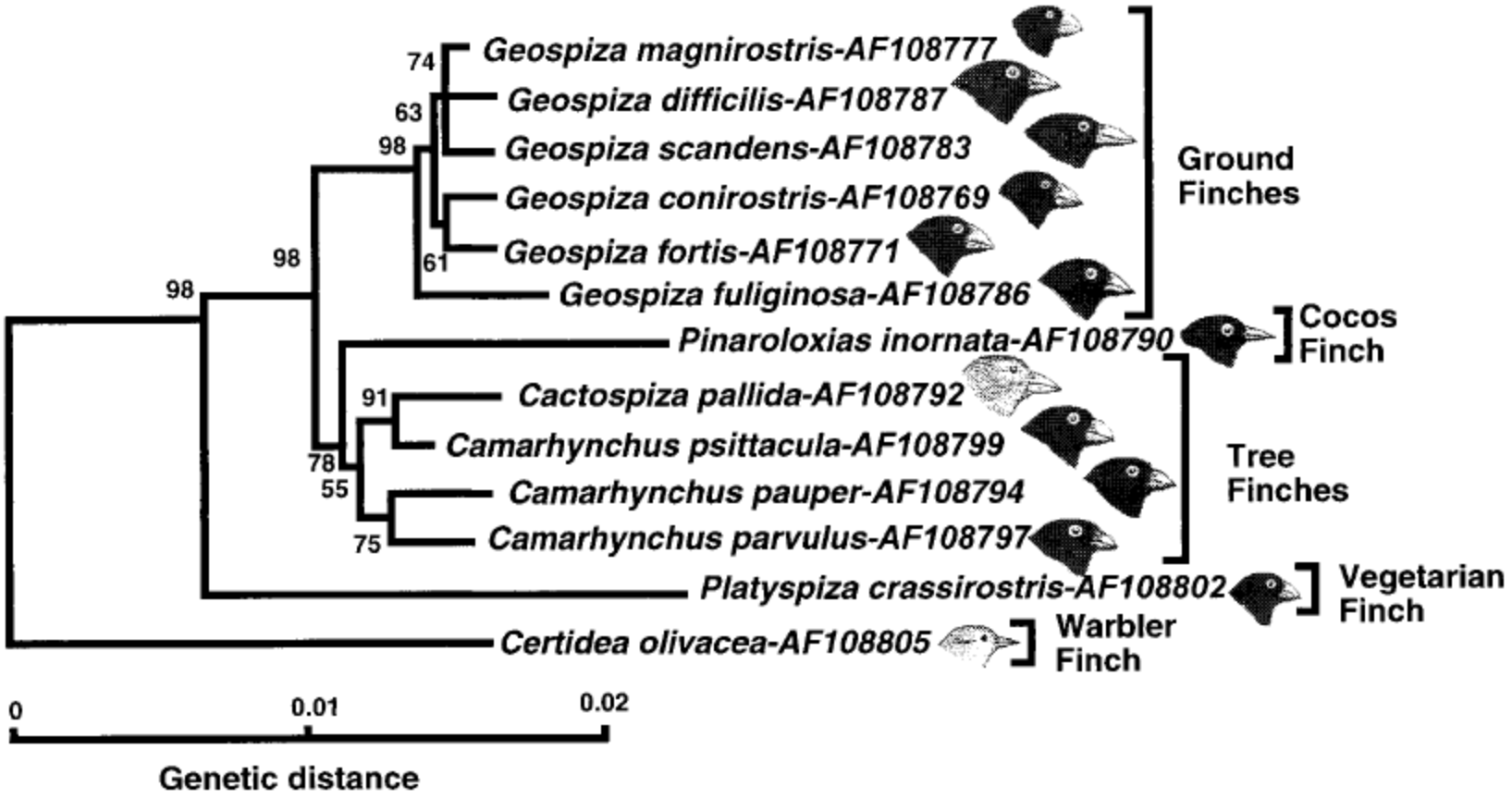







New
Old

back to Darwin's finches



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