Gene gain and loss in mammals

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"...the genetic distance between humans and the chimpanzee is probably too small to account for their substantial organismal differences."

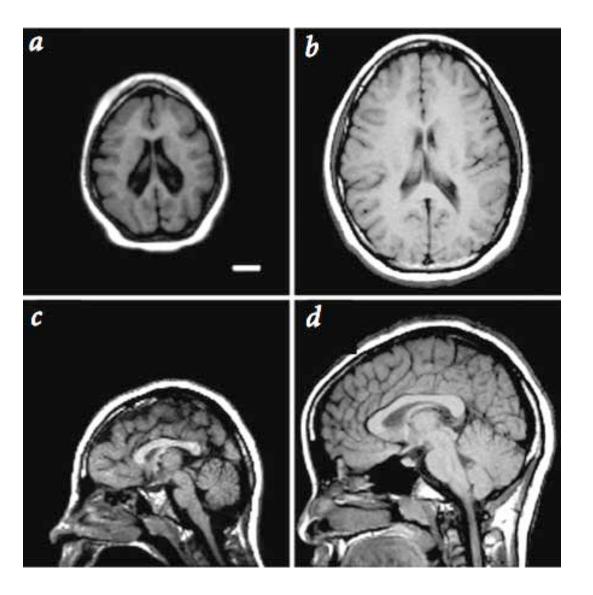
M.-C. King and A. Wilson 1975

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The ASPM protein evolves rapidly and controls brain size

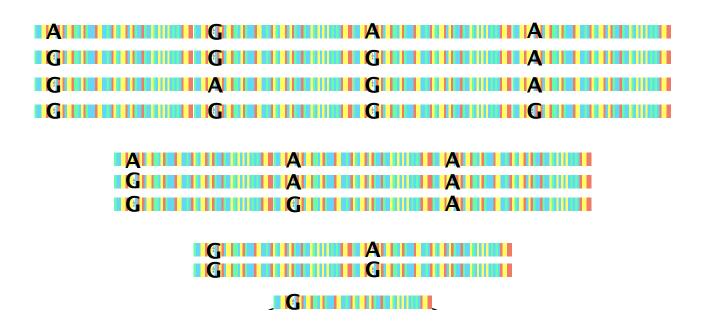


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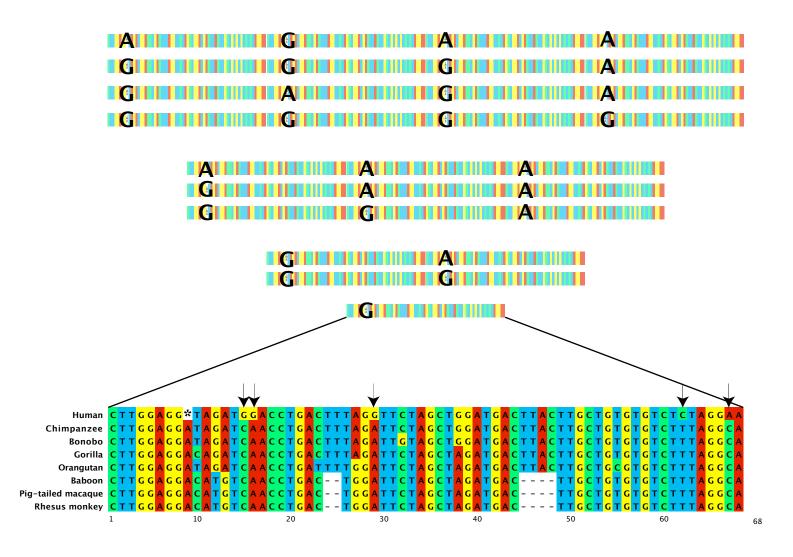
Prodynorphin in humans

Prodynorphin (PDYN) controls the expression of endorphins.



more repeats, more endorphins

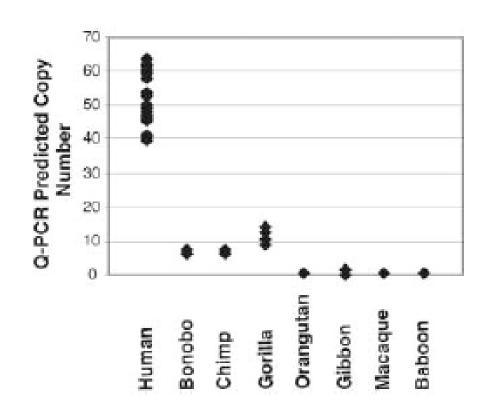
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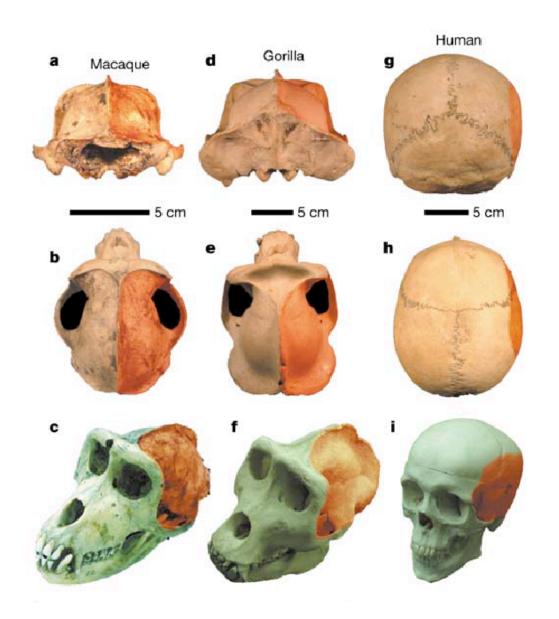
DUF1220 is highly duplicated in humans



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Loss of myosin associated with cranial enlargement



from Stedman et al. (2004)

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Two aims:

- -Quantify the amount of gain and loss
- -Infer the action of natural selection

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Preview of results

 Primates gain and lose genes at a rate twice as high as other mammals

 At least 1,415 genes (6% of all genes) are not shared between humans and chimps

 Newly duplicated genes are undergoing adaptive evolution at a high rate

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The evolution of gene families

Gene families are groups of genes that share sequence and functional homology

The evolution of gene families

The size of gene families changes among species.

	S. cerevisiae	C. elegans	D. melanogaster	H. sapiens	A. thaliana
Homeodomain	9	109	148	267	118
Zinc-finger	121	437	357	706	1049
Nuclear receptor	I	183	25	59	4

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Homogeneous birth and death process

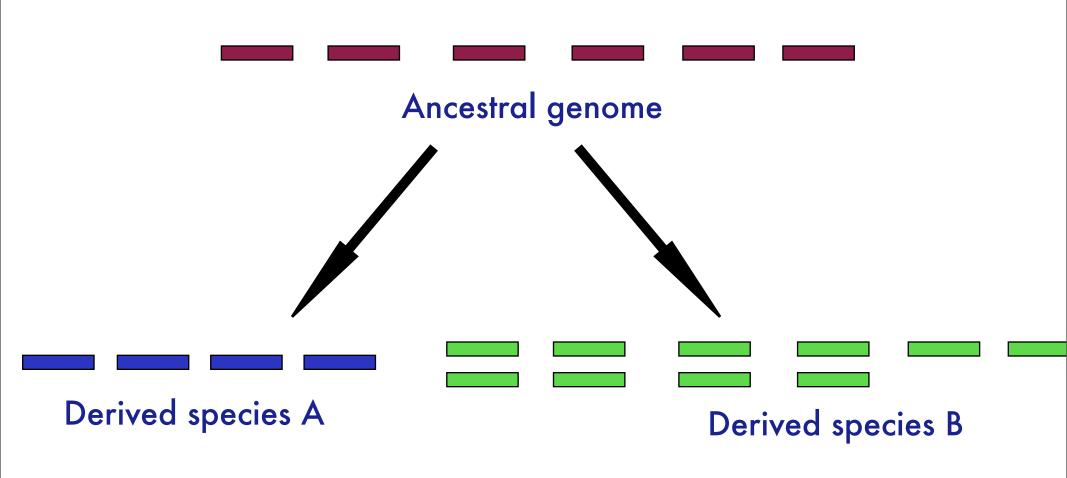
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Homogeneous birth and death process

Birth = duplication

Death = deletion or pseudogenization

Birth-death model of gene family evolution



There are no true models, only helpful ones.

-G.E.P. Box

No model, no inference.

-J. Felsenstein

Birth-death model of gene family evolution

Birth-Death transition probability (Bailey 1964):

$$P(X(t)=c|X(0)=s) = \sum_{j=0}^{\min(s,c)} \binom{s}{j} \binom{s+c-j-1}{s-1} \alpha^{s+c-2j} (1-2\alpha)^j$$

The necessary parameters:

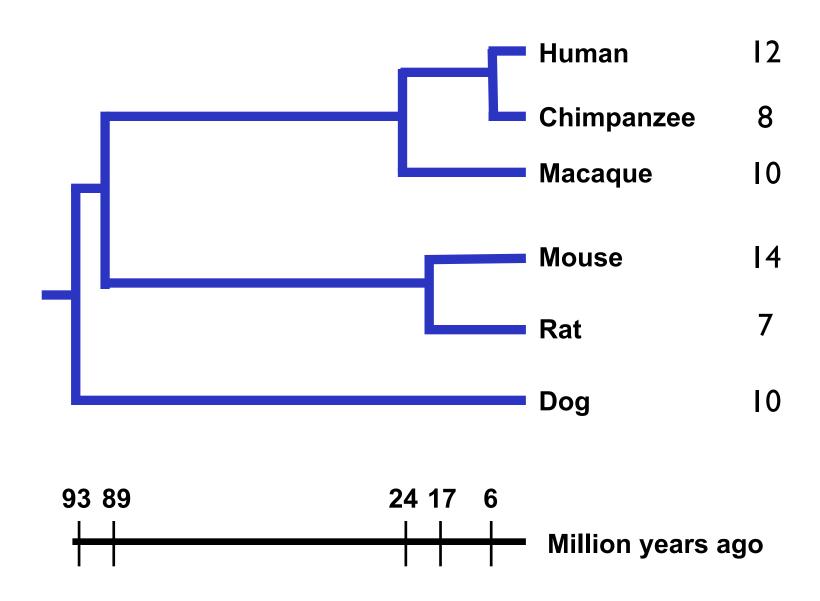
-Current family size

-Ancestral family size

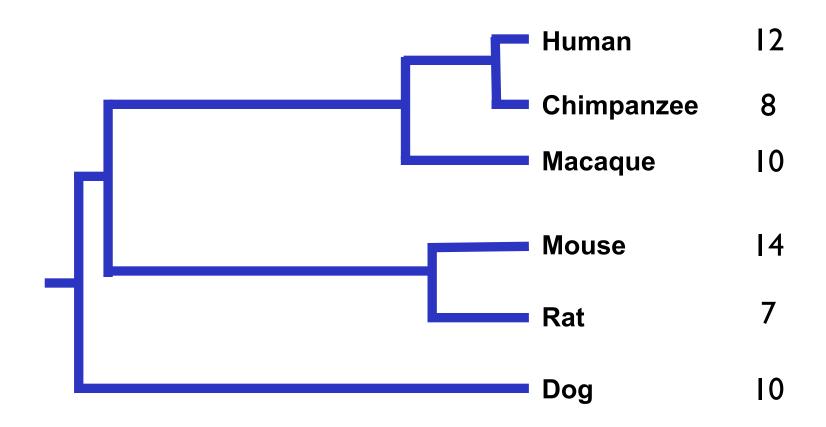
-Time since divergence

-Gain and loss rates

Probabilistic graphical models

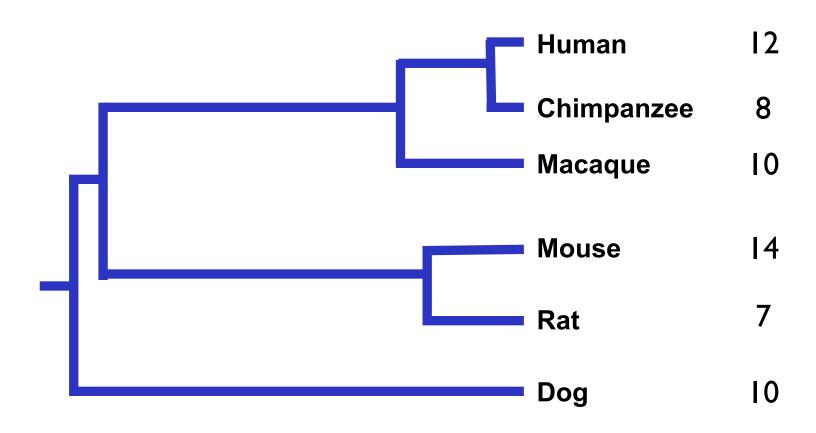


Inferring rates of gain and loss

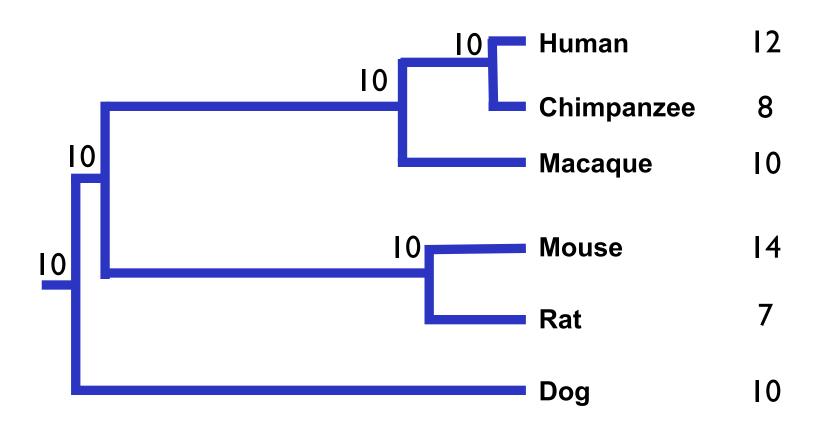


We estimate the average rate across all families

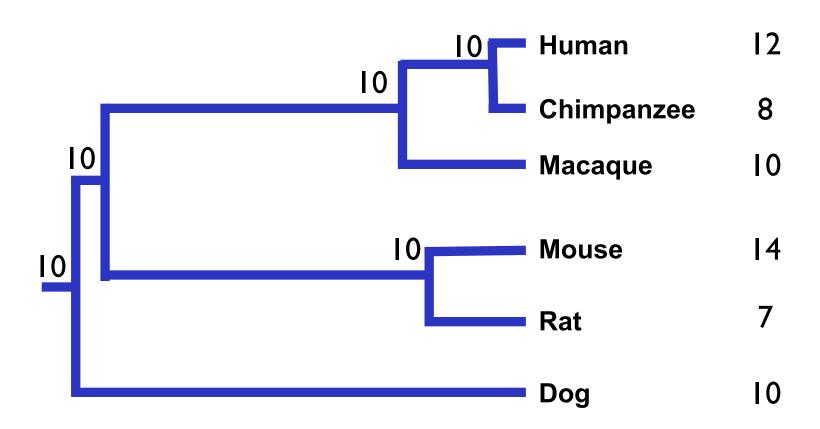
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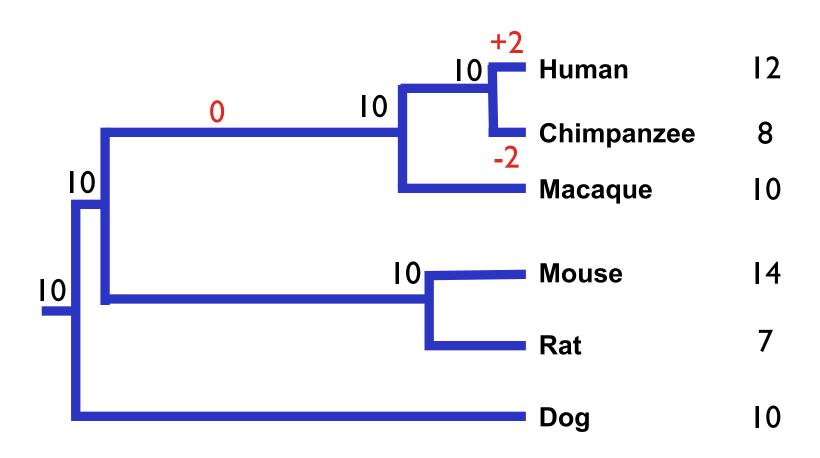
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Inferring gains and losses



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CAFE

(Computational Analysis of gene Family Evolution)



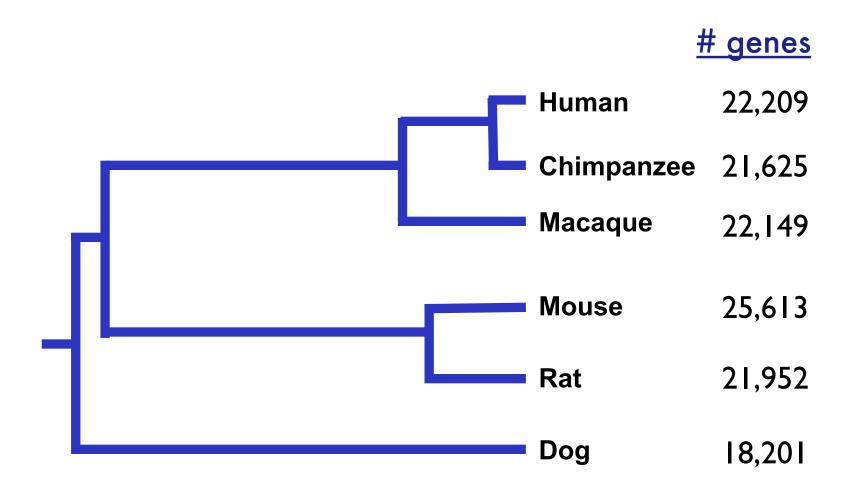
www.bio.indiana.edu/~hahnlab/Software.html

De Bie et al. (2006) Bioinformatics

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Genome size in mammals



(Data from Ensembl v41)

The rate of gene gain and loss

We estimate λ (the gain/loss rate) to be 0.0017 /gene/my across the whole tree

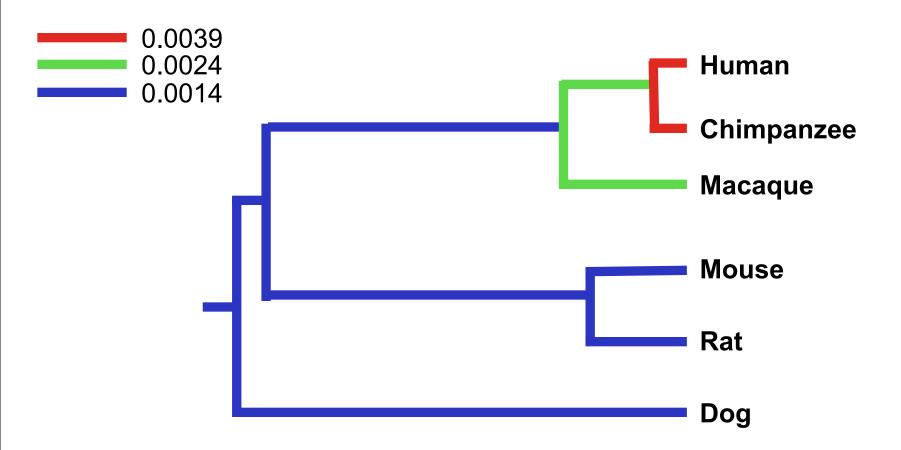
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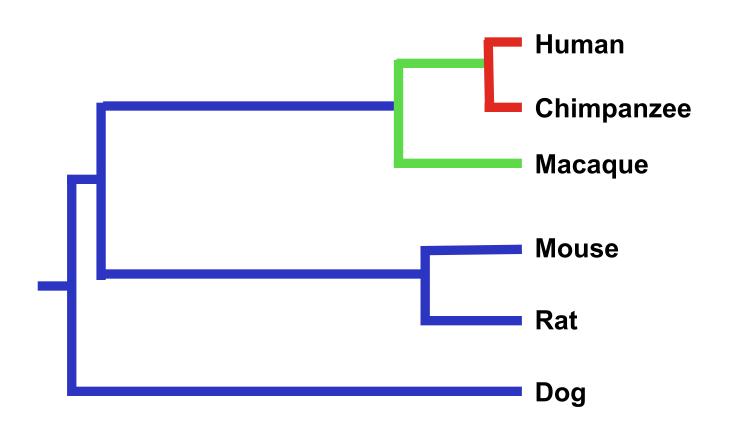
This number is very similar to estimates by other groups for just the rate of gene duplication:

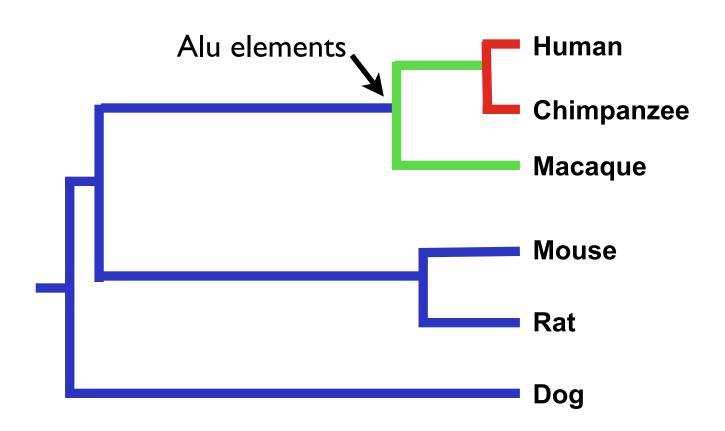
0.0013-0.0026 (Lynch and Conery 2003; Gibbs et al. 2004)

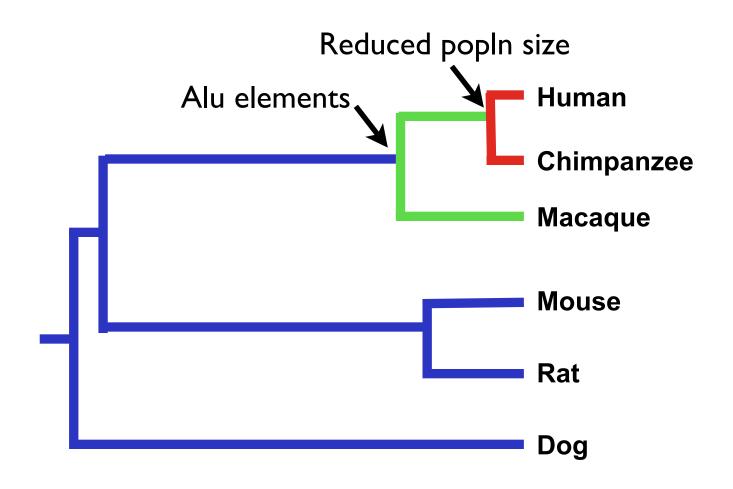
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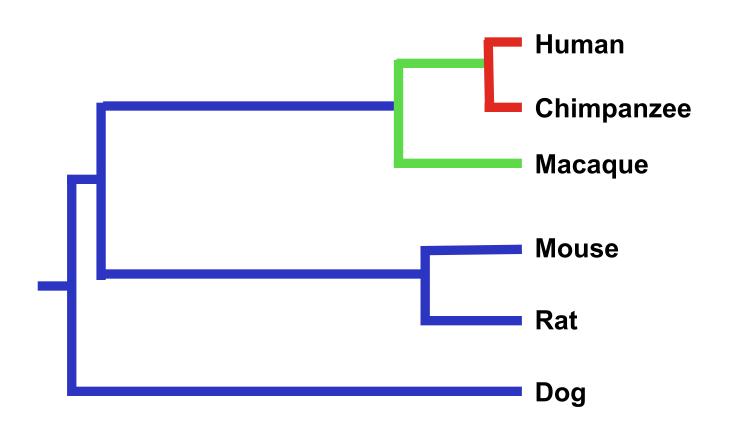


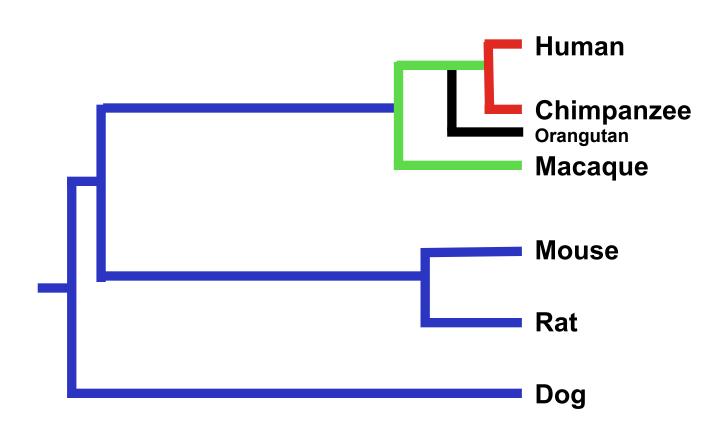
The rate of gain and loss in primates is 2-3 times higher than the rest of the mammals



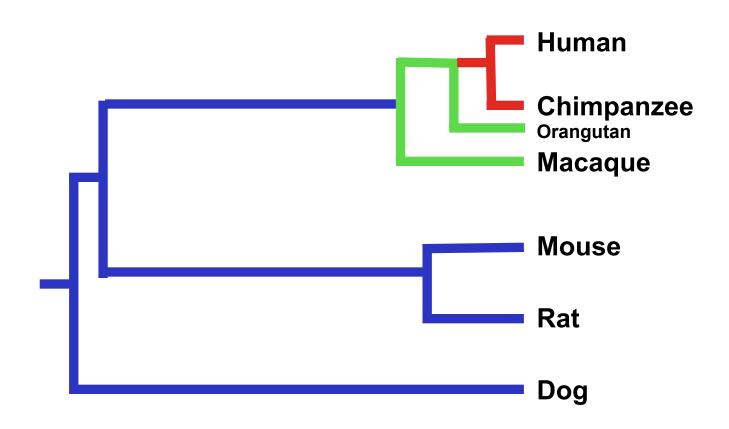




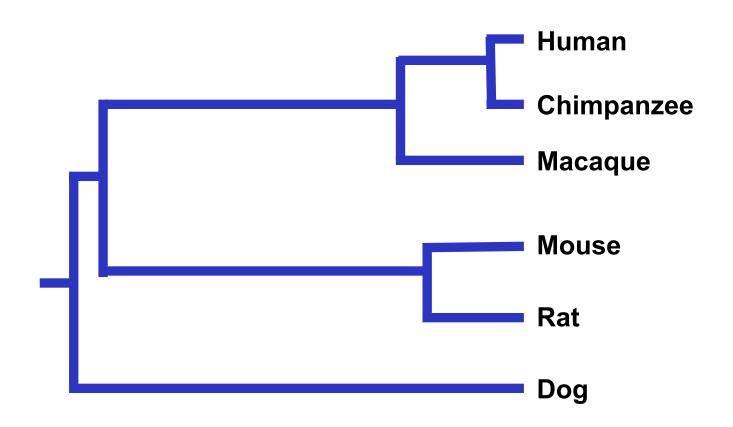




Accelerated rate of gene gain and loss in hominids

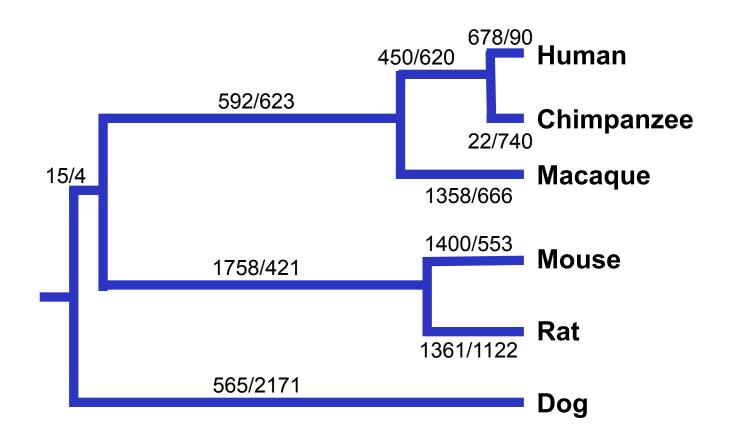


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Demuth et al. (2006) PLoS ONE Gibbs et al. (2007) Science

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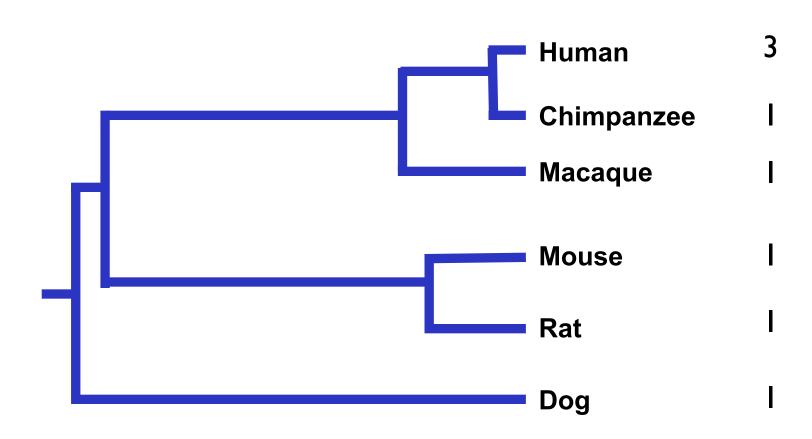
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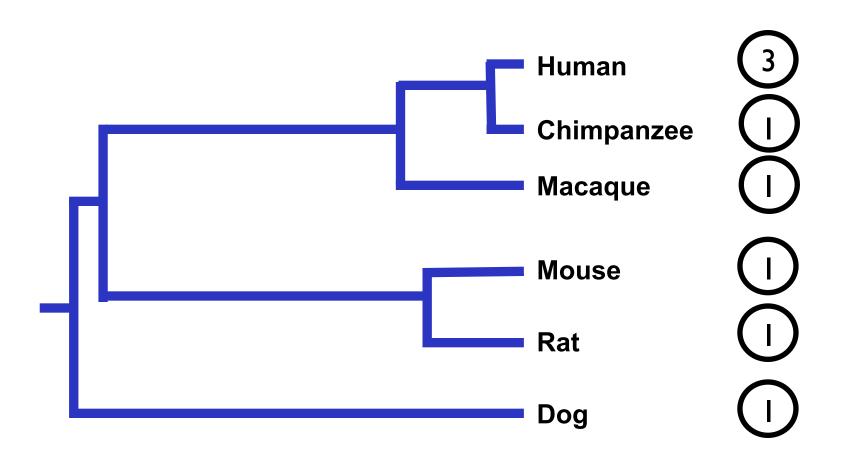
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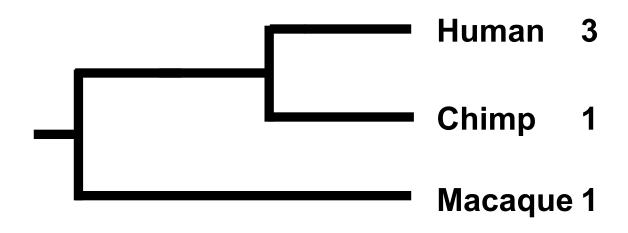
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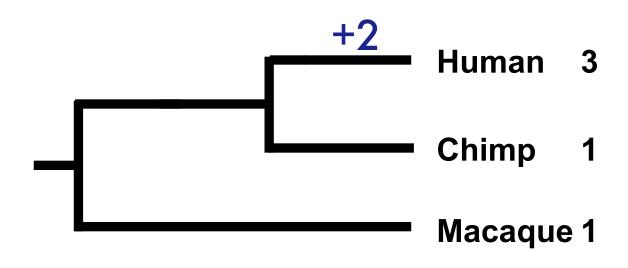


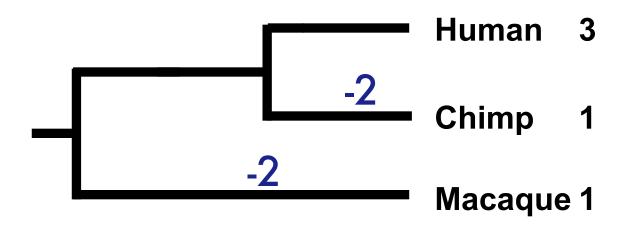
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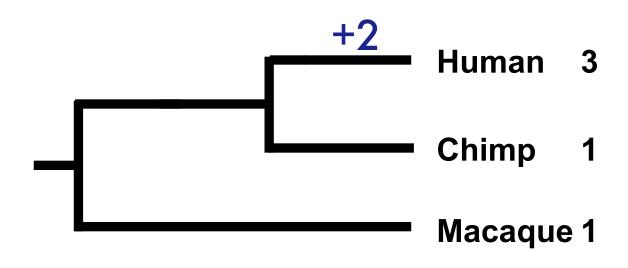
"Genes in a bag"

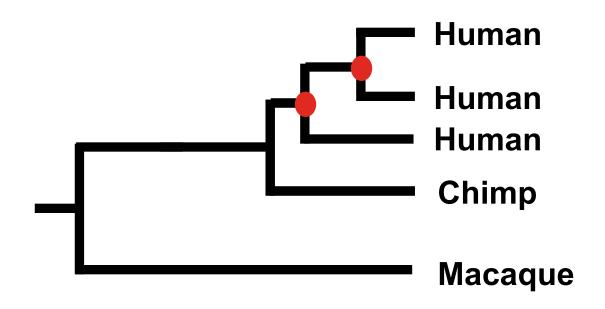




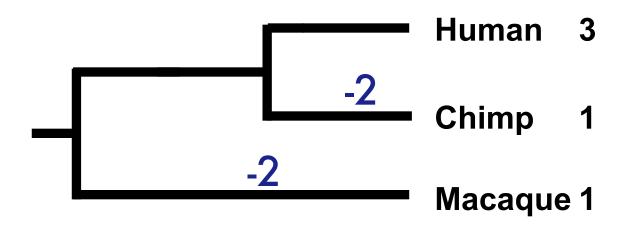


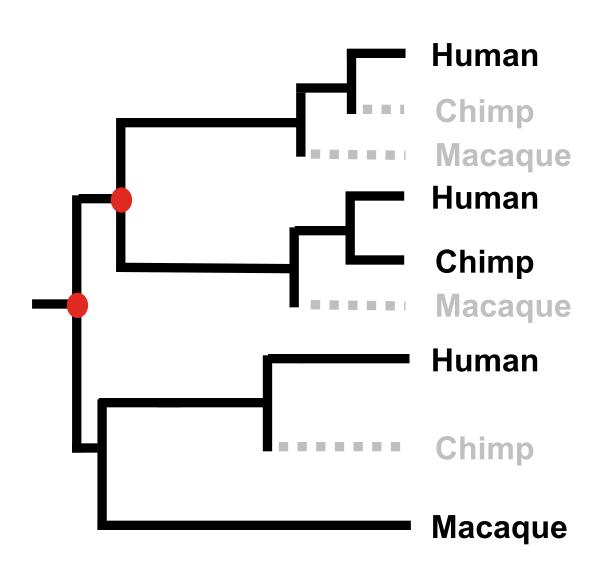




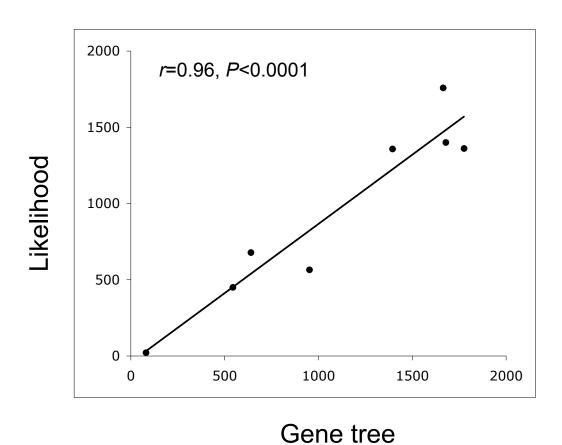


Gene tree





Likelihood vs. Reconciliation



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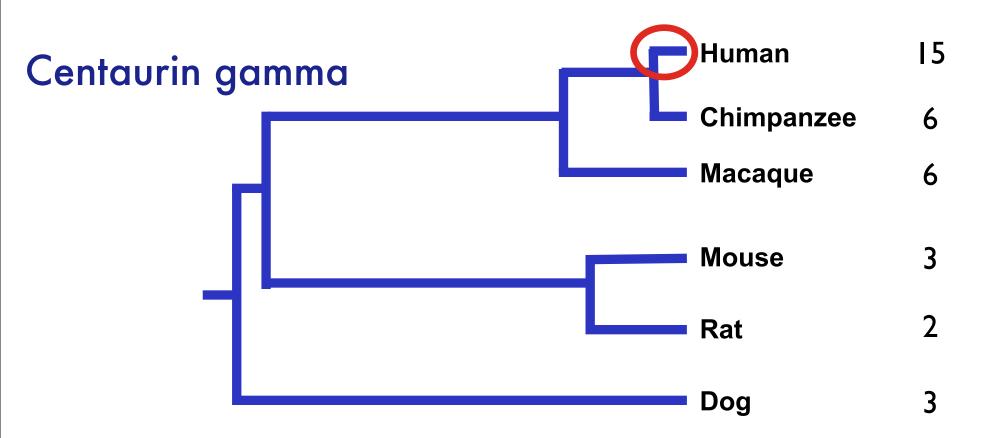
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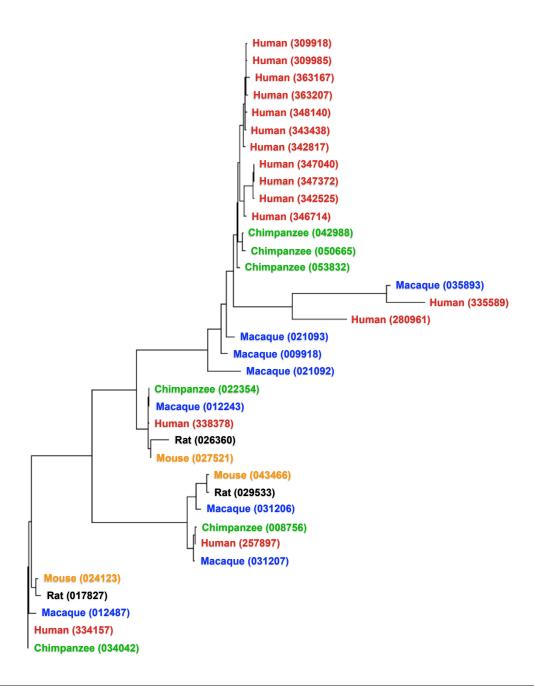
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Interestingly, these are the same functions that evolve rapidly at the nucleotide level in primates.

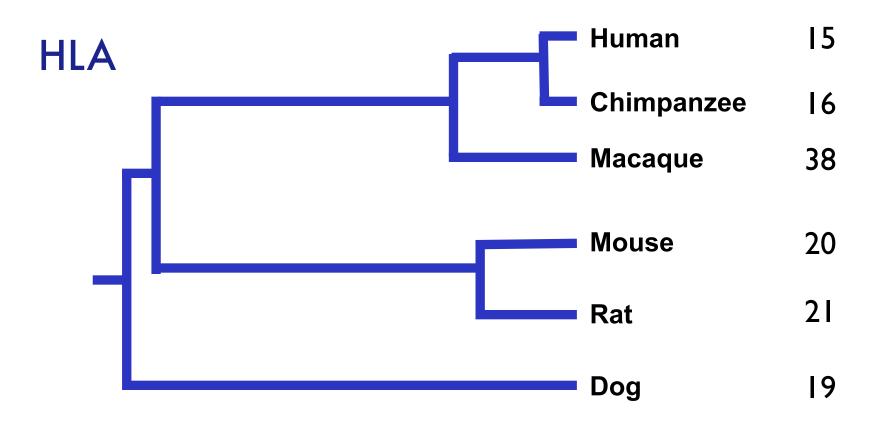
Accelerated evolution of gene families



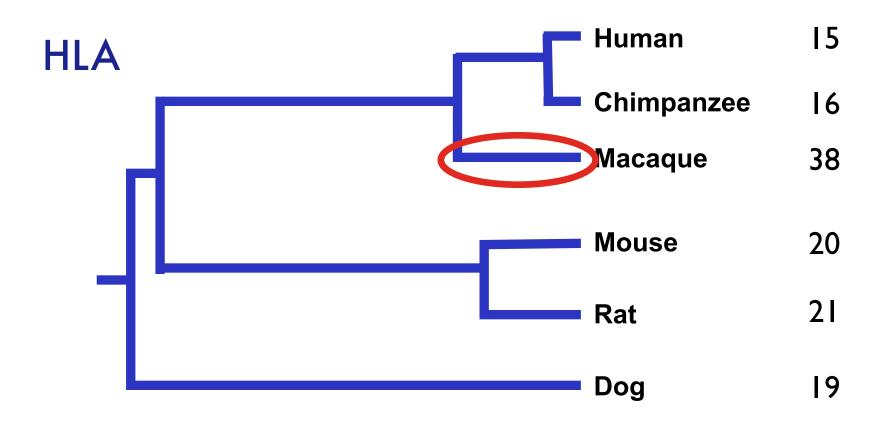
Large expansion of Centaurin gamma in humans



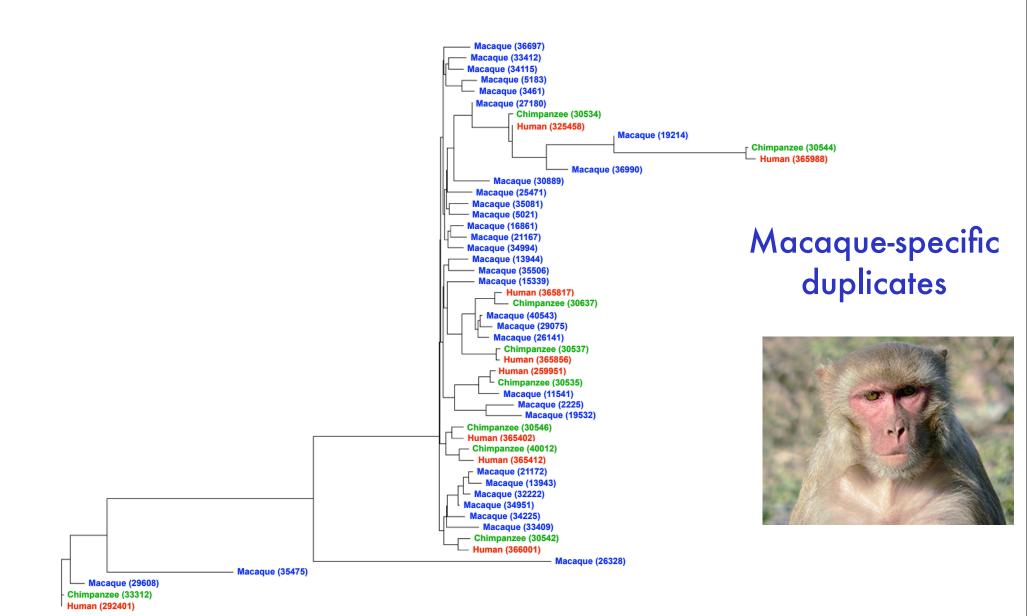
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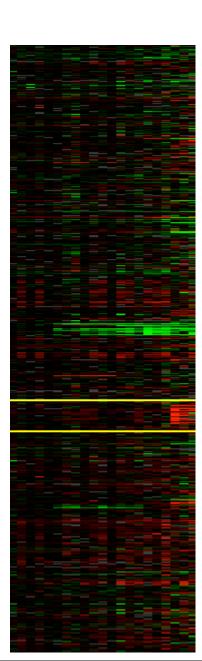


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Empirical evidence: HLA

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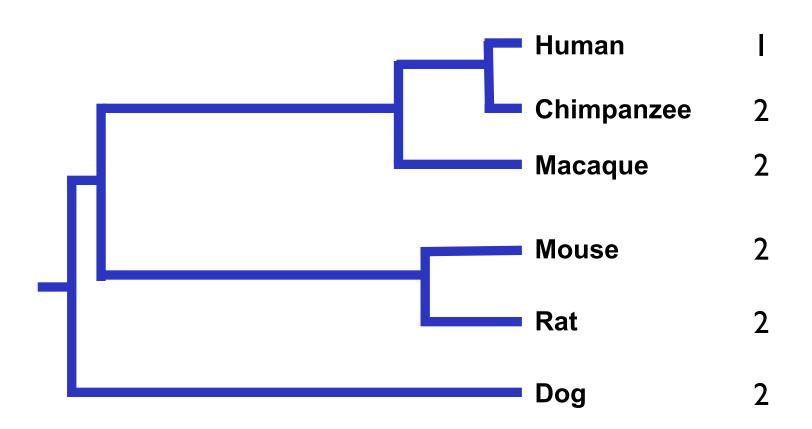
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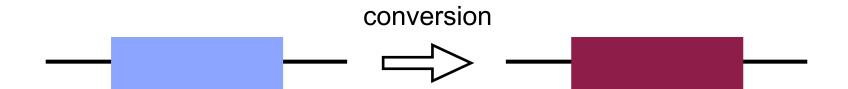
Other primates Macadue

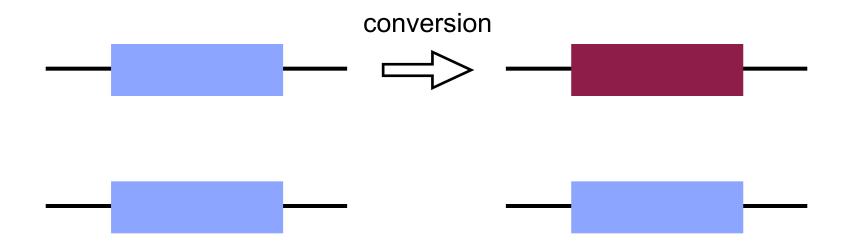
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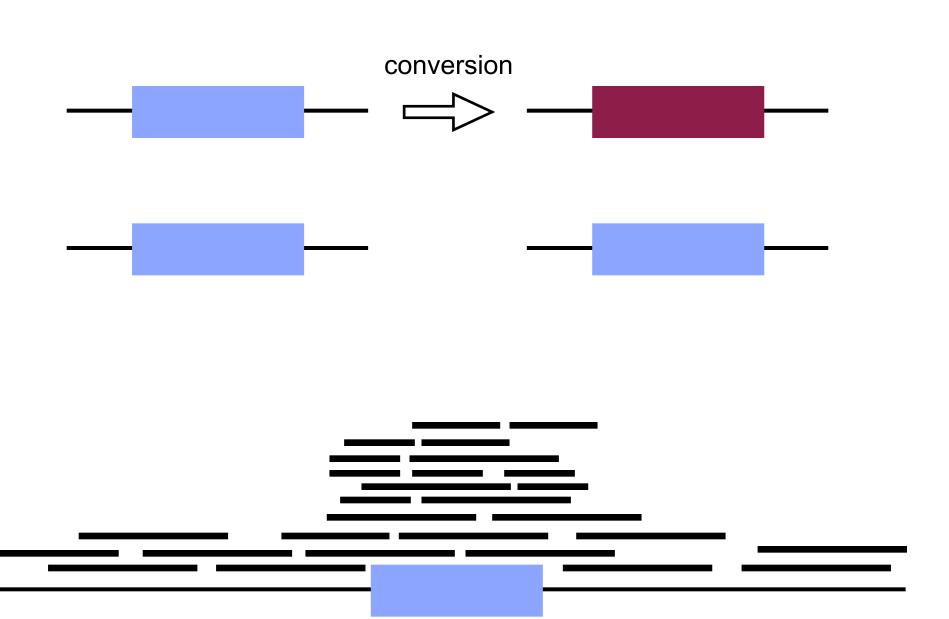
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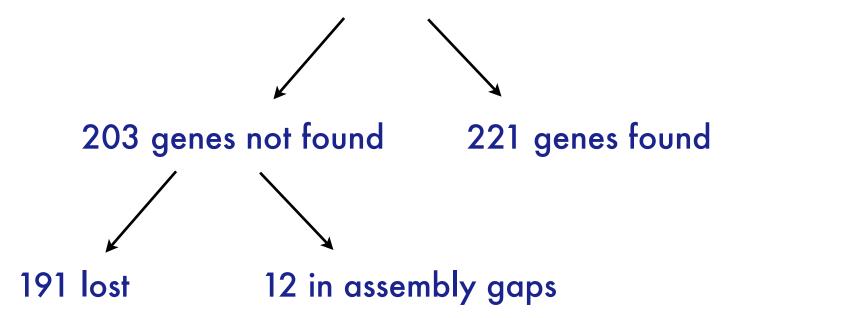
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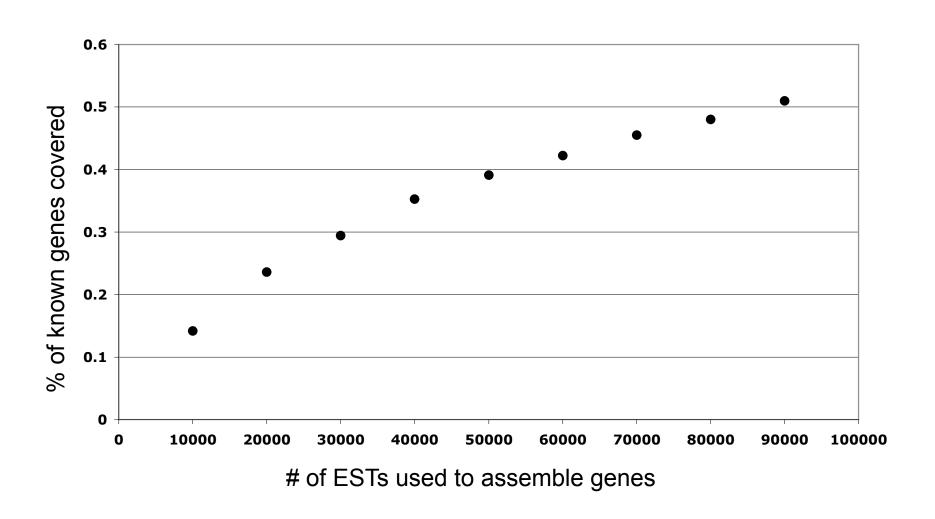
203 genes not found 221 genes found

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Costello et al. (2008) *RECOMB-CG* Schrider and Hahn (unpublished)

Quantifying gain and loss in low-coverage genomes



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The genomic revolving door

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Nucleotides

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McCarroll et al. (2008) Nature Genetics

The King and Wilson paradox

Humans and chimps are 1% different at the nucleotide level

But the number of genic differences is much larger than equally distant pairs of non-primates

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Do any of these gains or losses matter?

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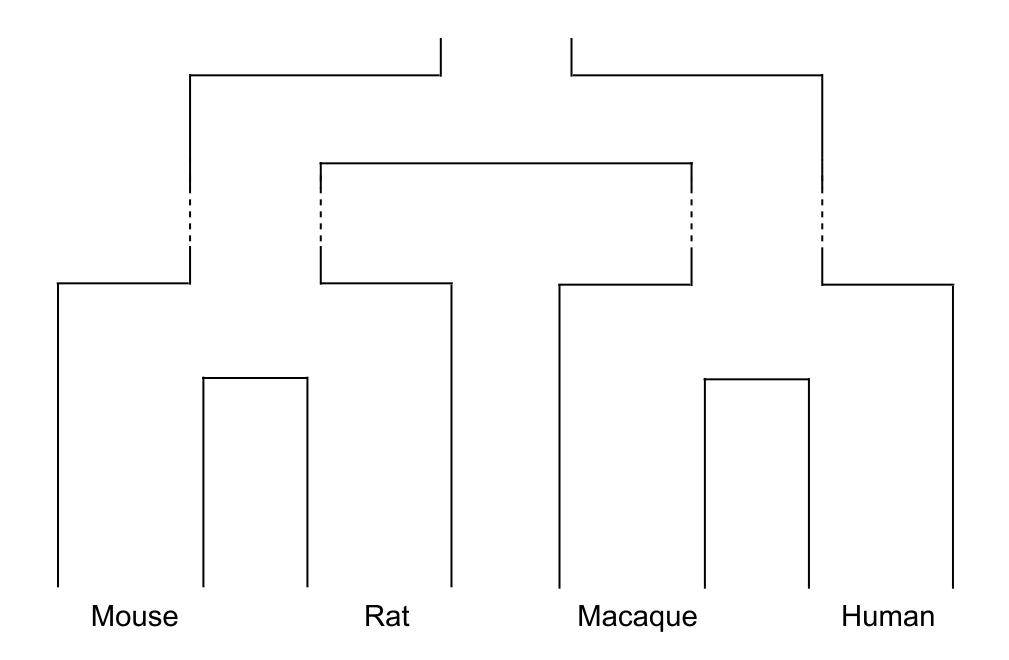
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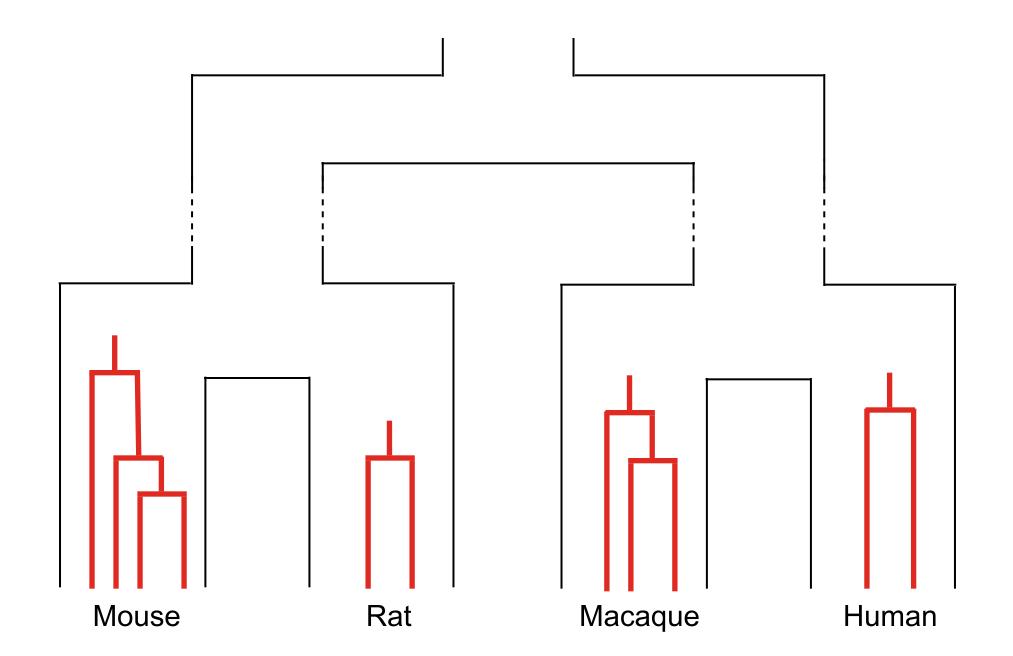
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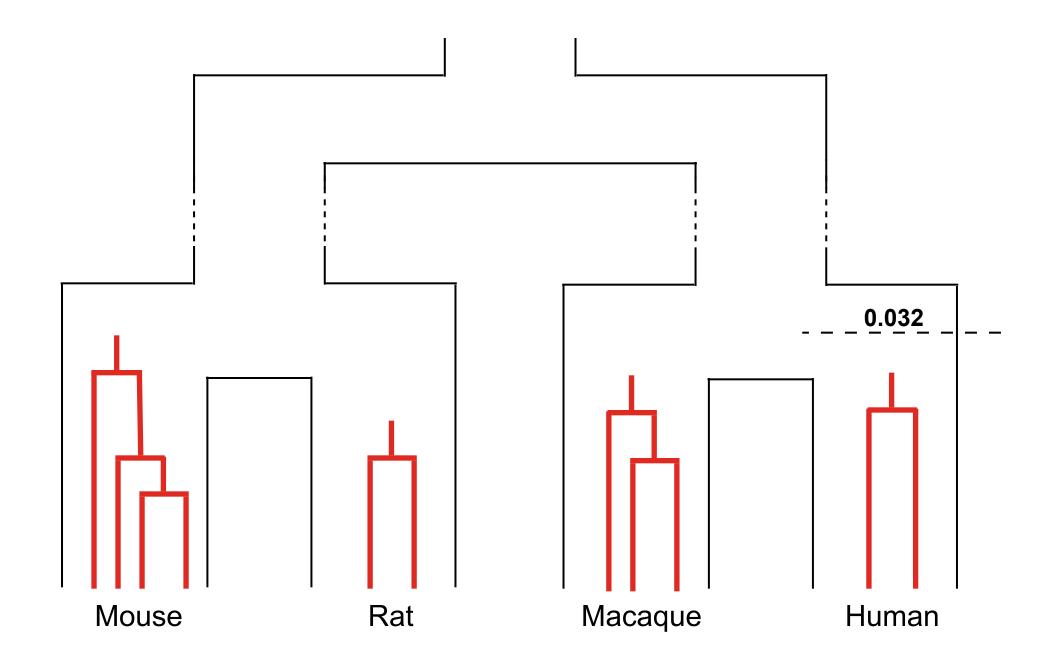
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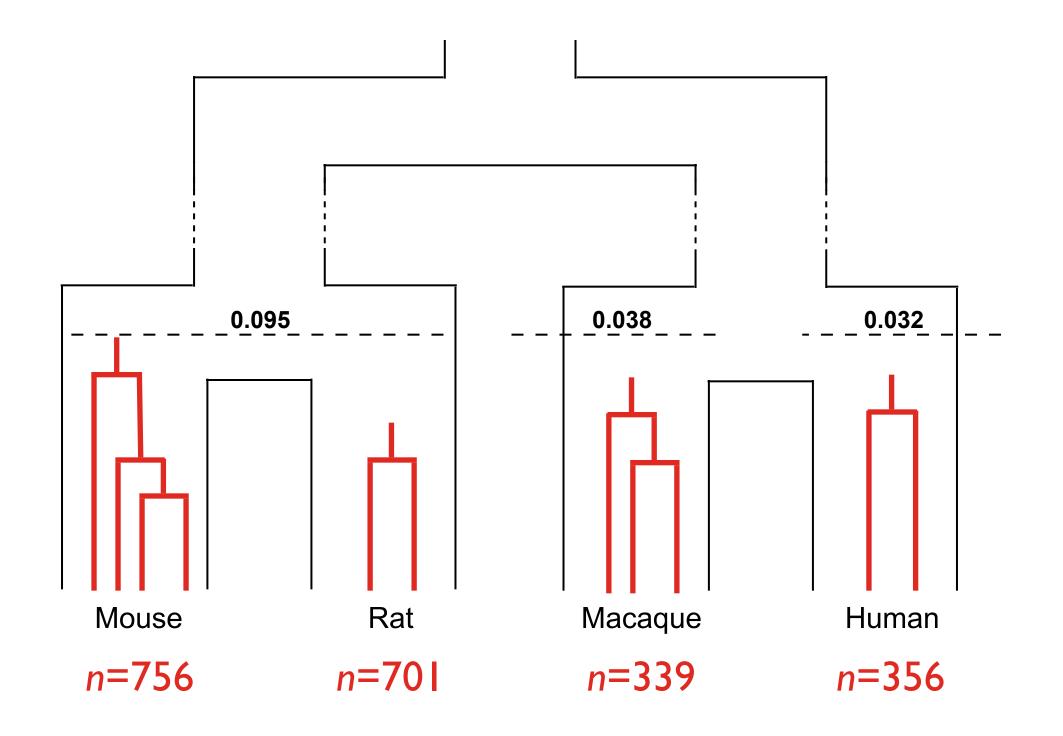
These analyses do not consider duplicates!

Genome scan for positive selection on duplicates









Test for dN/dS>1

M1a: M2a:

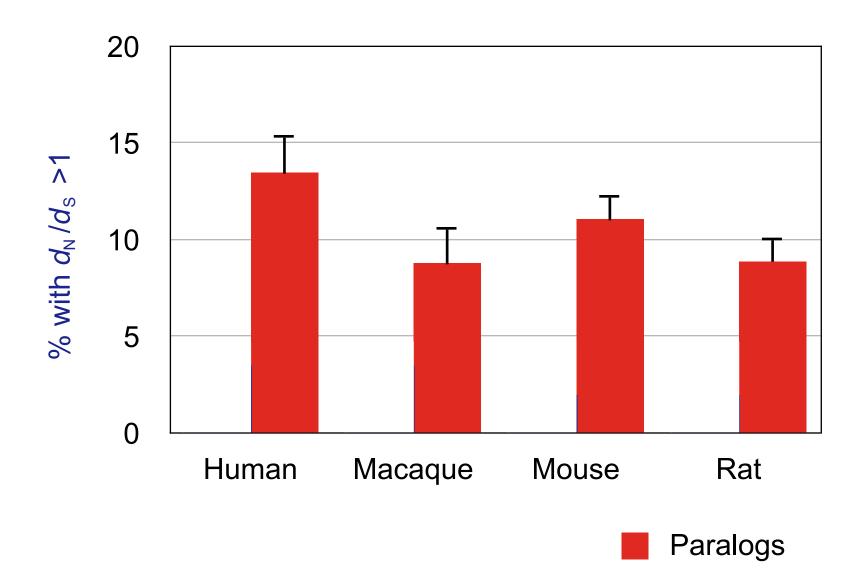
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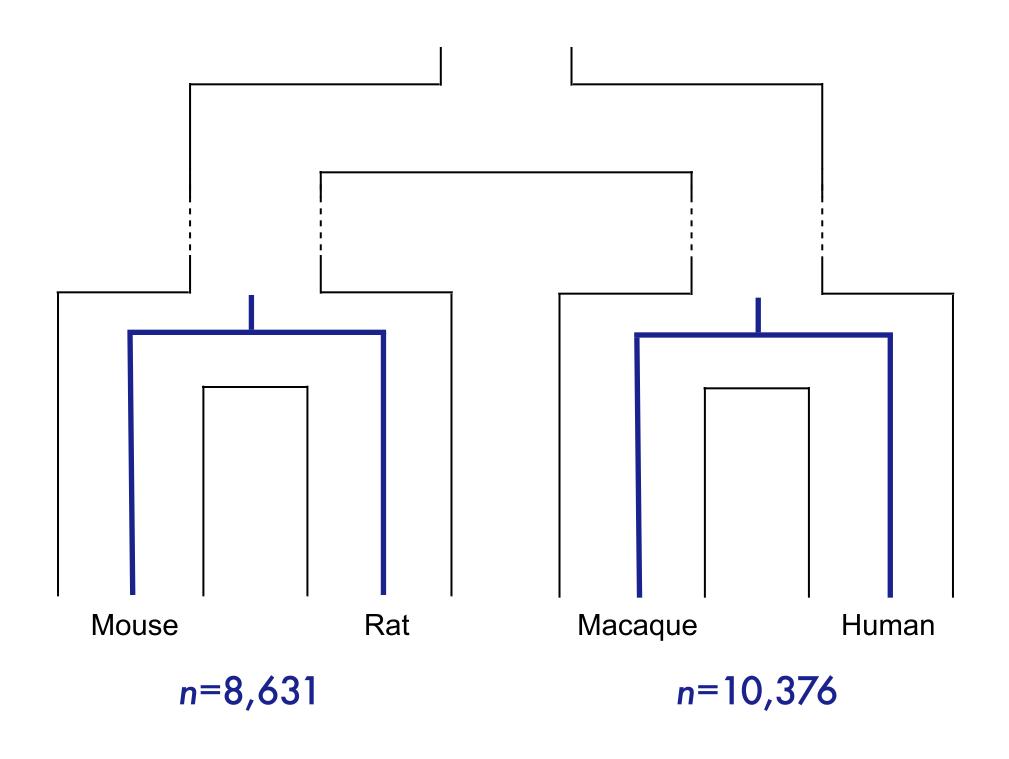
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Compare M1a vs. M2a in likelihood ratio test using PAML

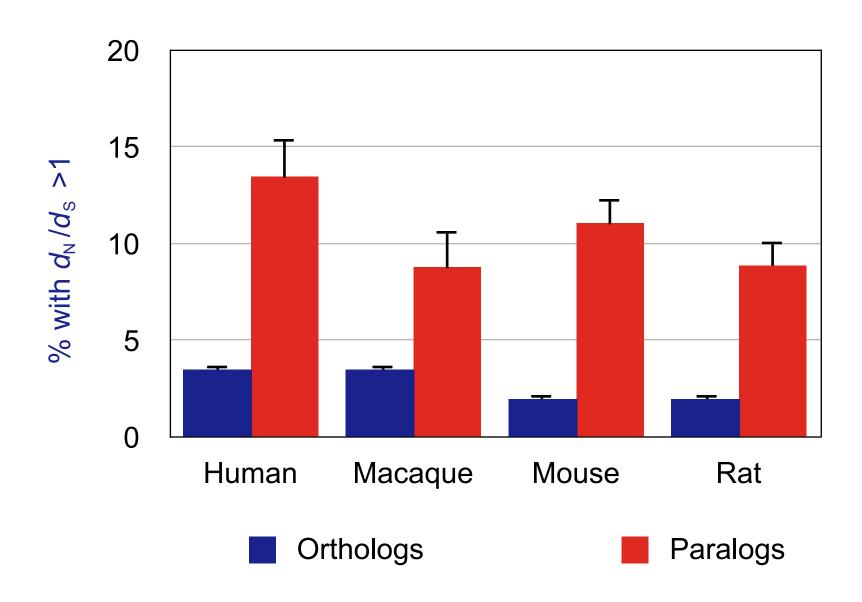
All duplicates



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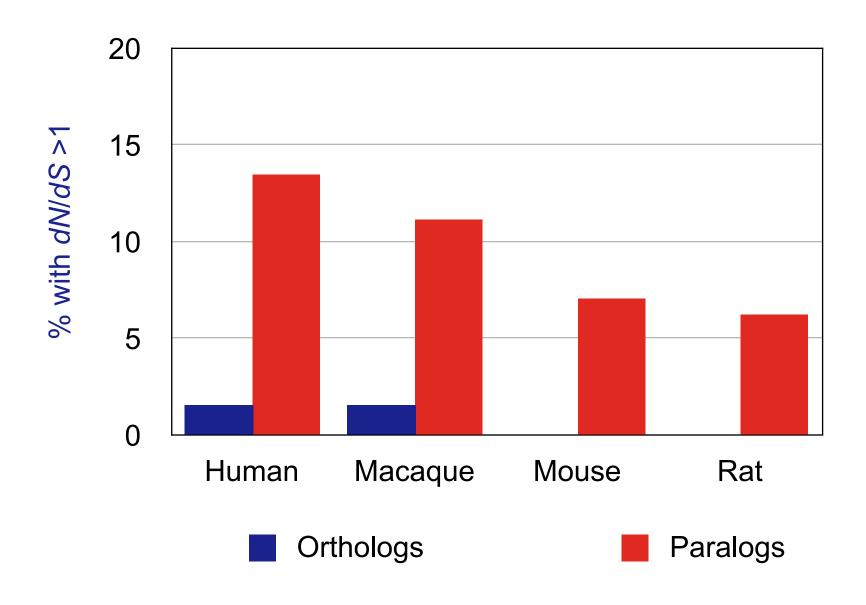


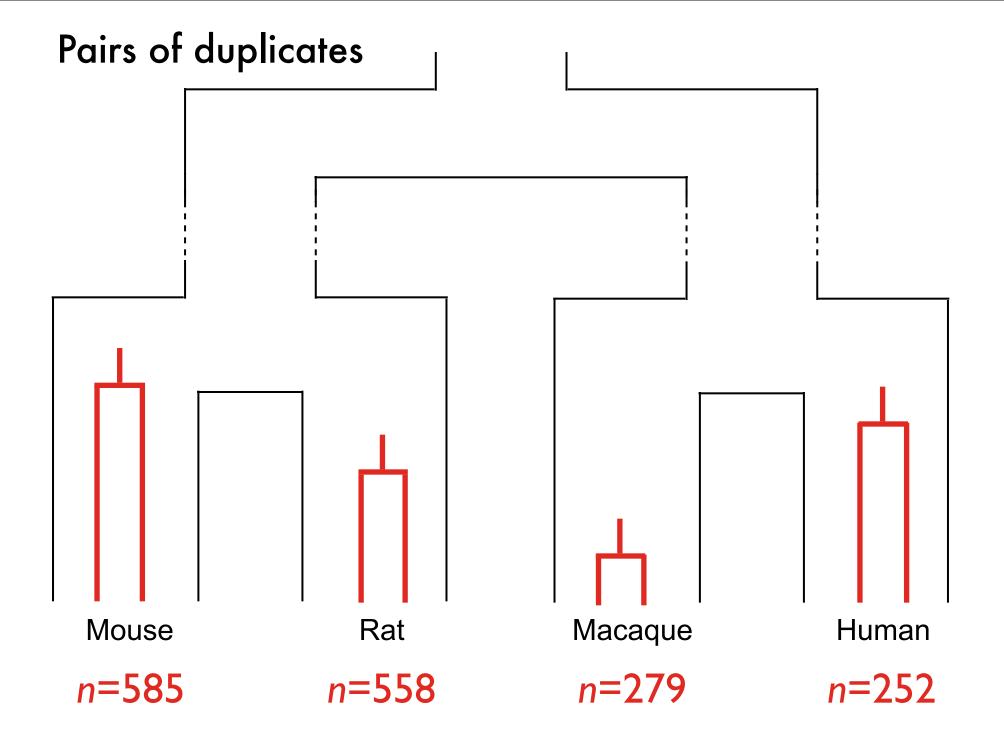
All duplicates + orthologs



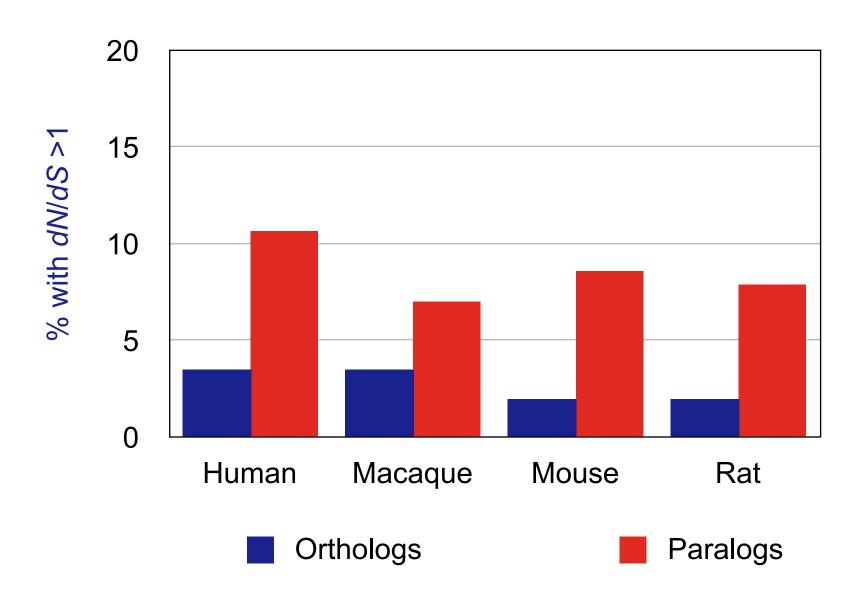
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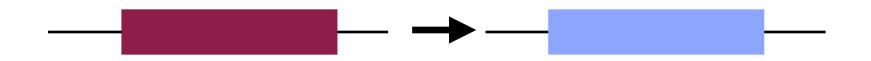
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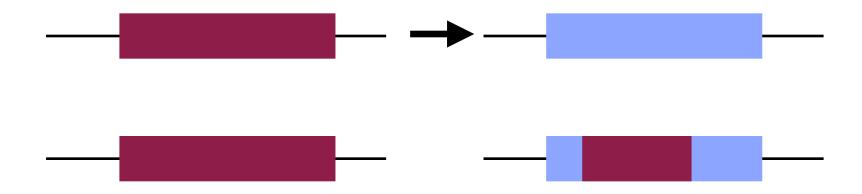


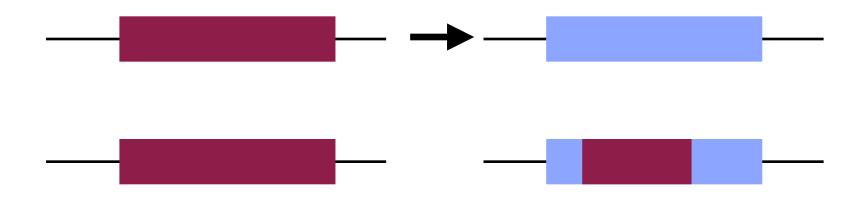


Pairs of duplicates







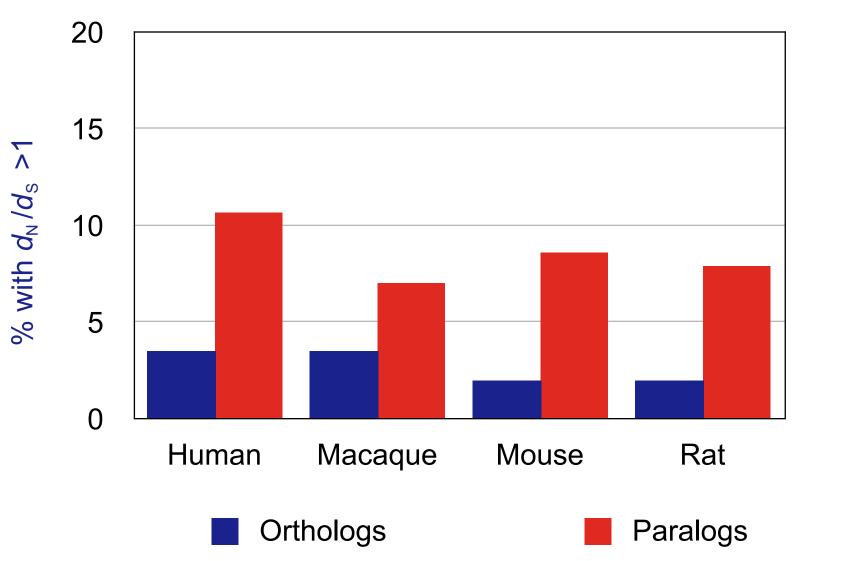


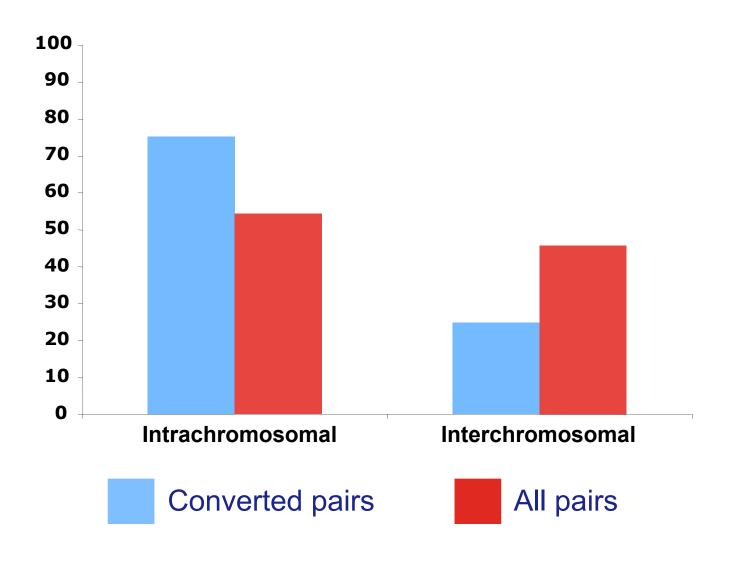
Gene conversion may cause false positives in tests for selection

Casola and Hahn (submitted)

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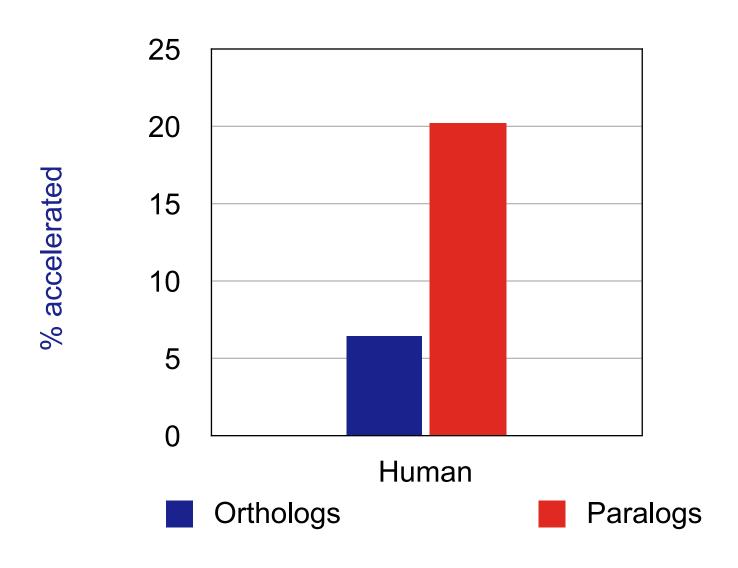




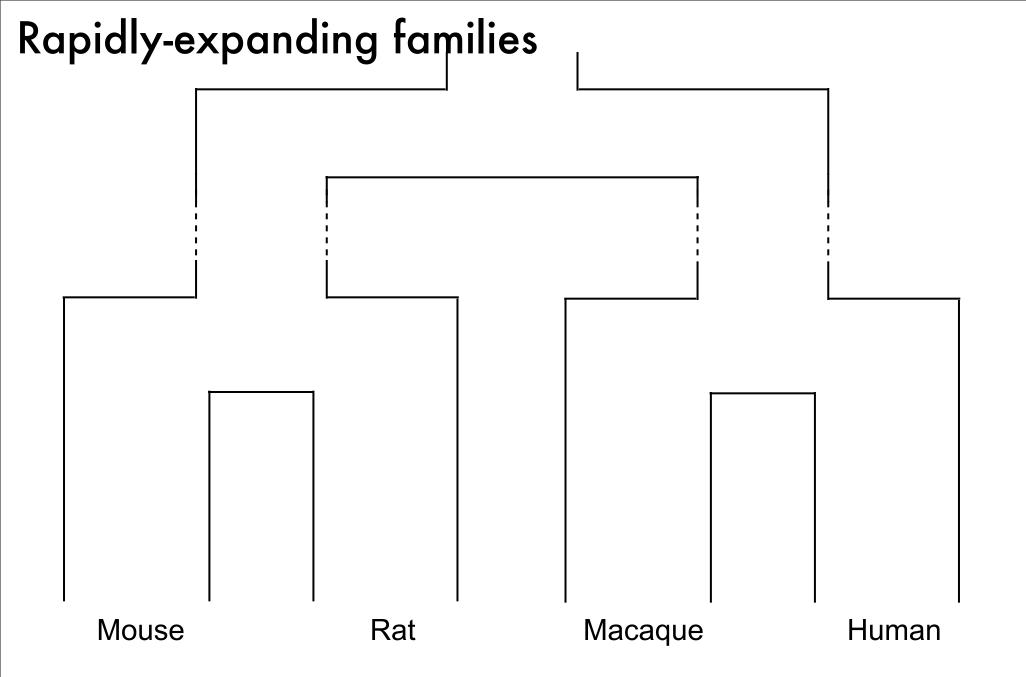
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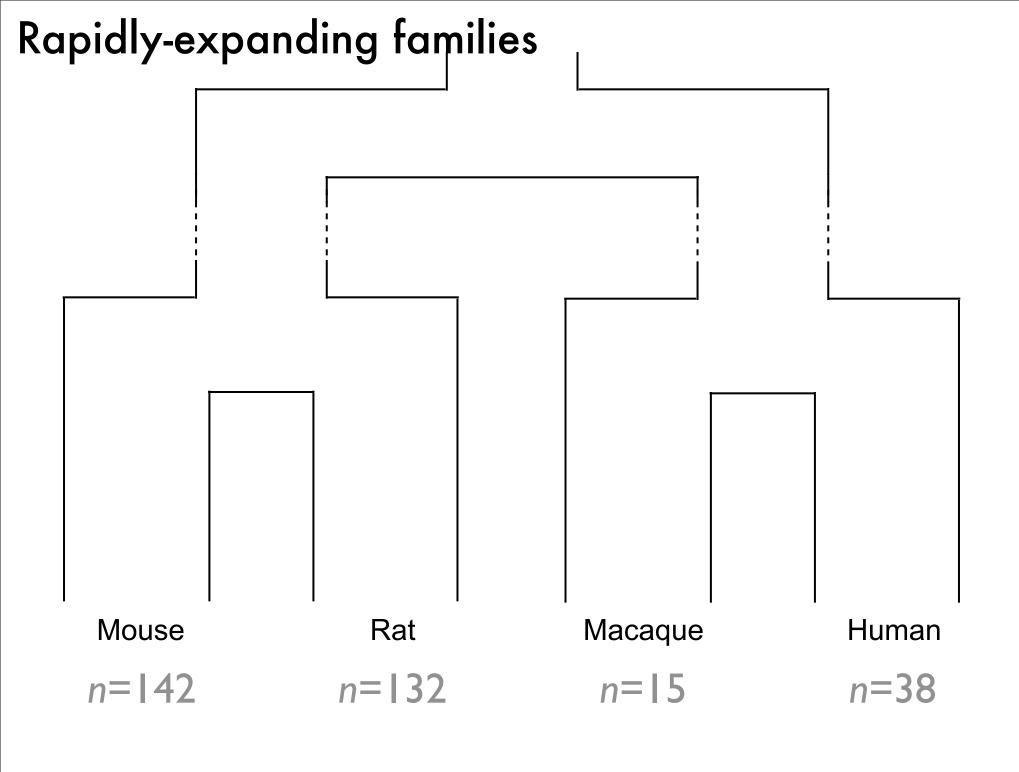
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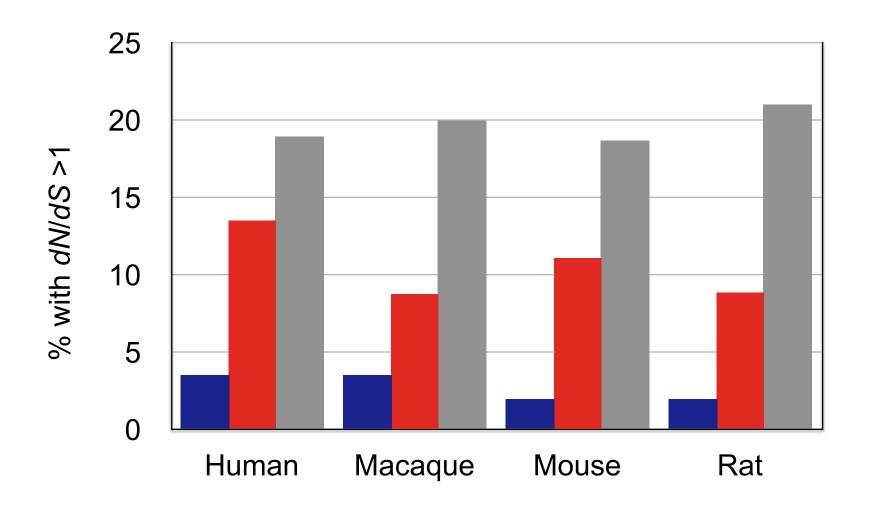


K. Pollard, UCSF





Rapidly-expanding families



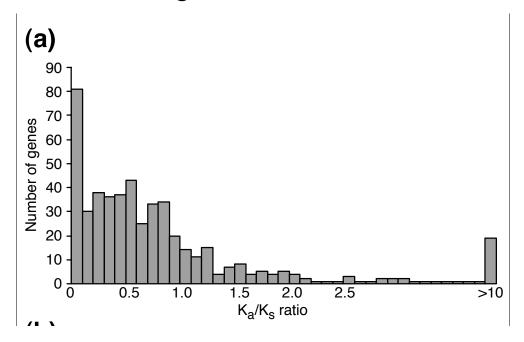


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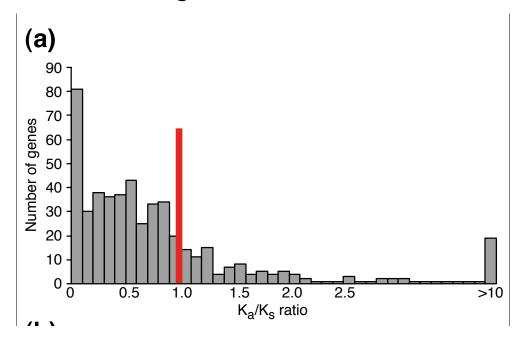
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There's lots of positive selection!
(at least twice as much as on single-copy genes)

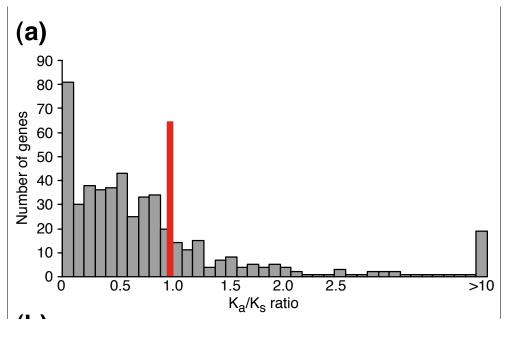
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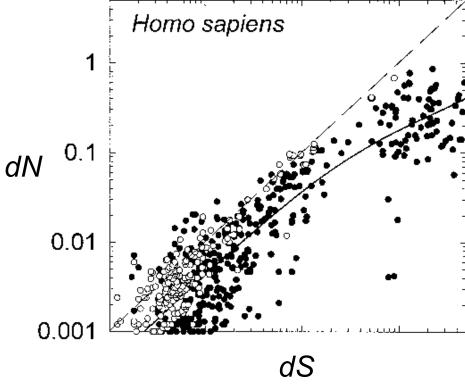
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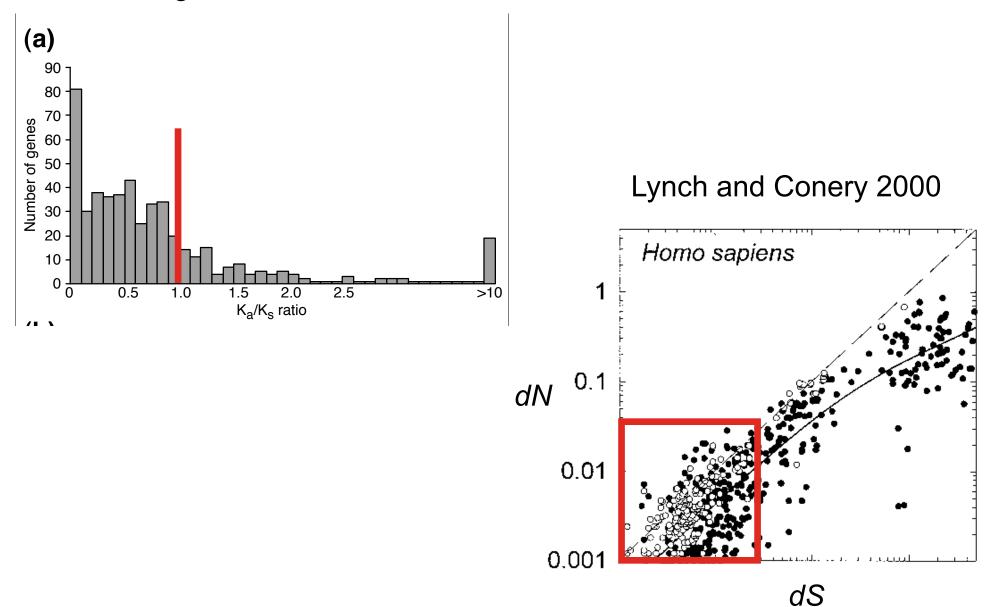
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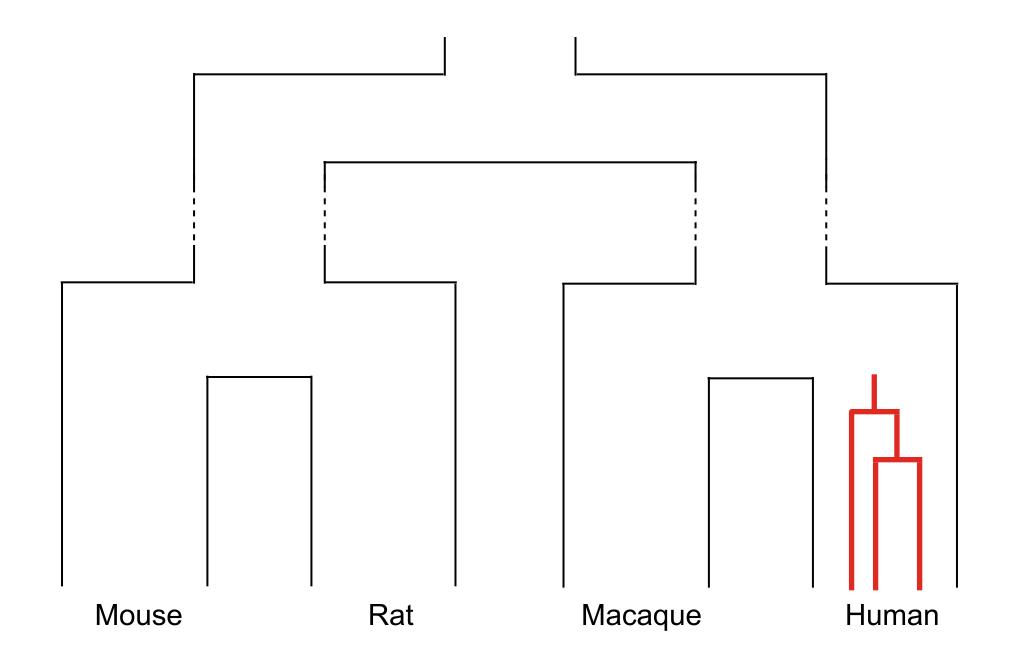
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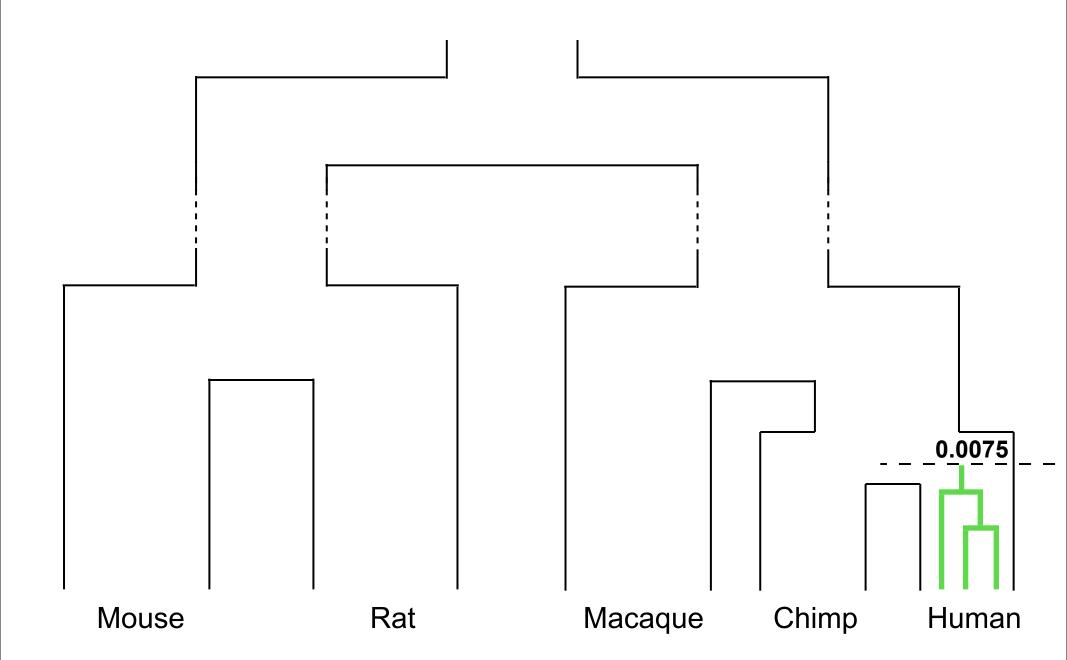


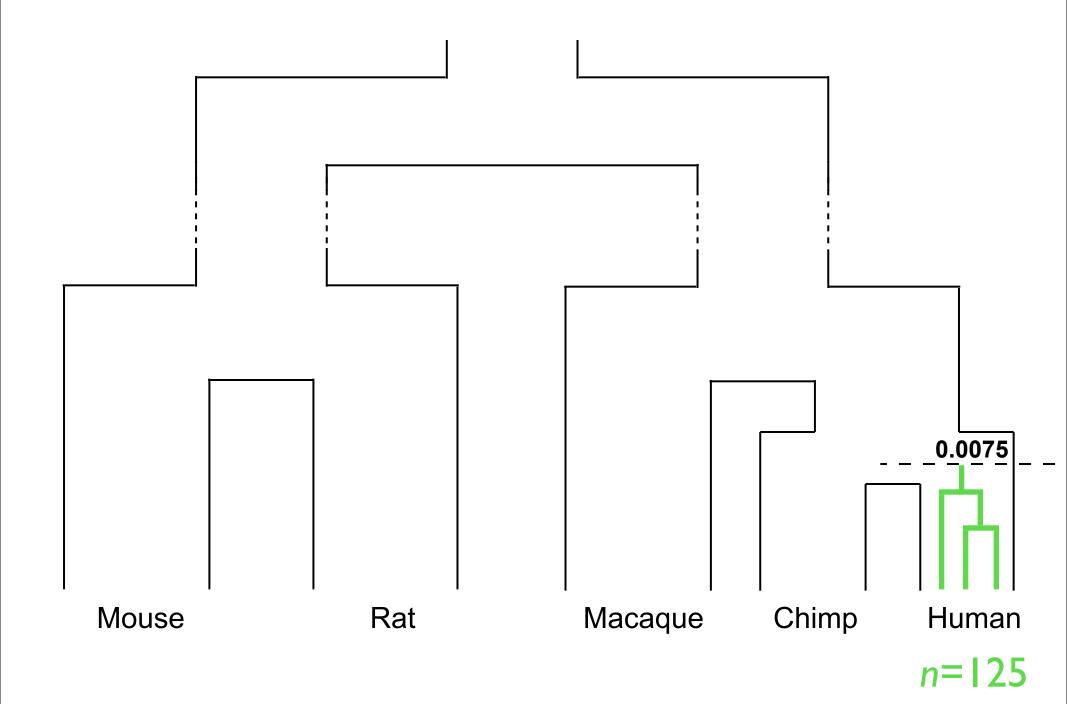
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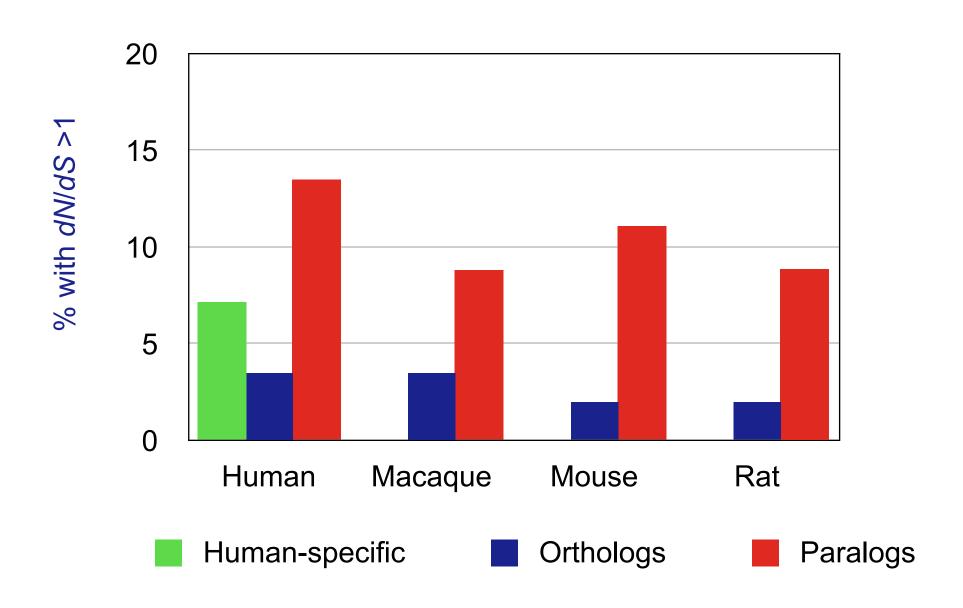
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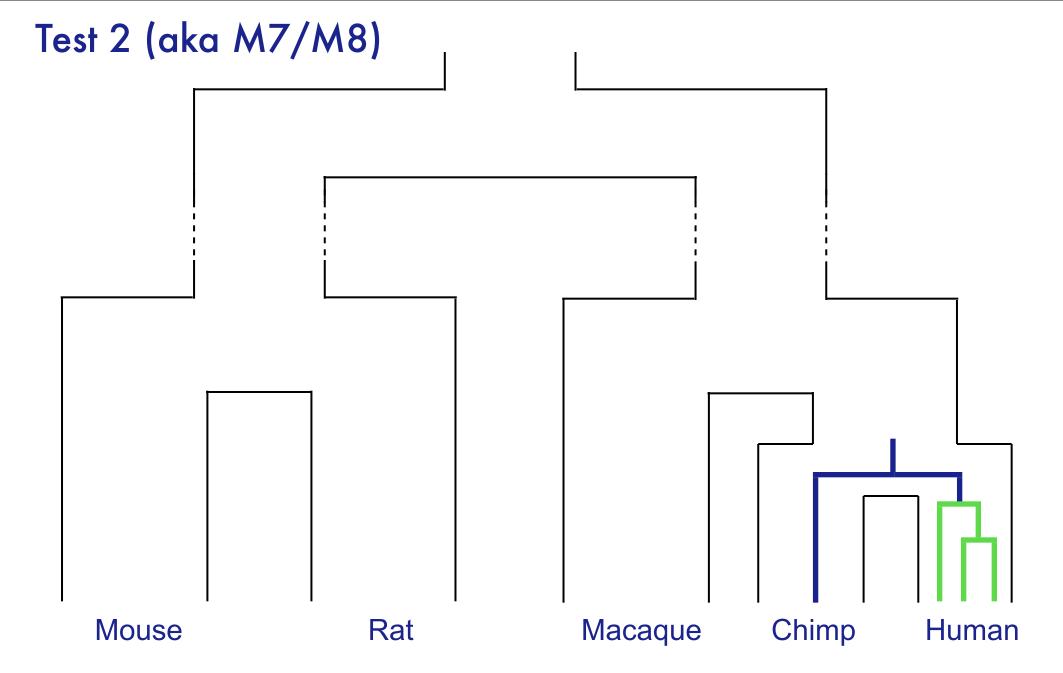
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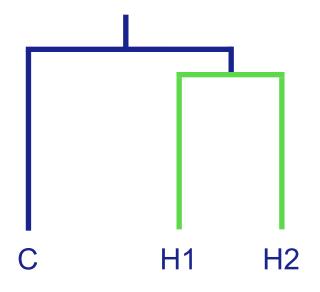
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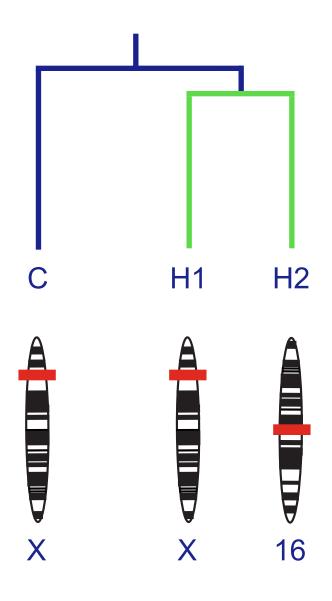
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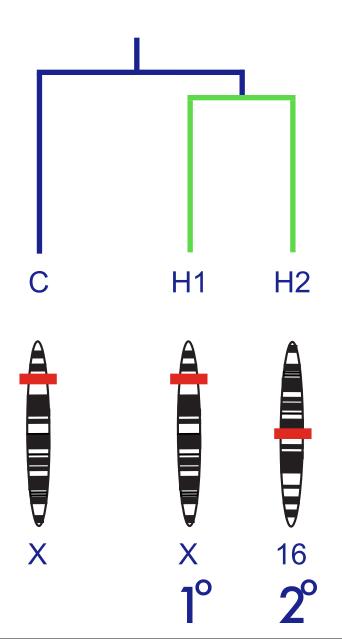
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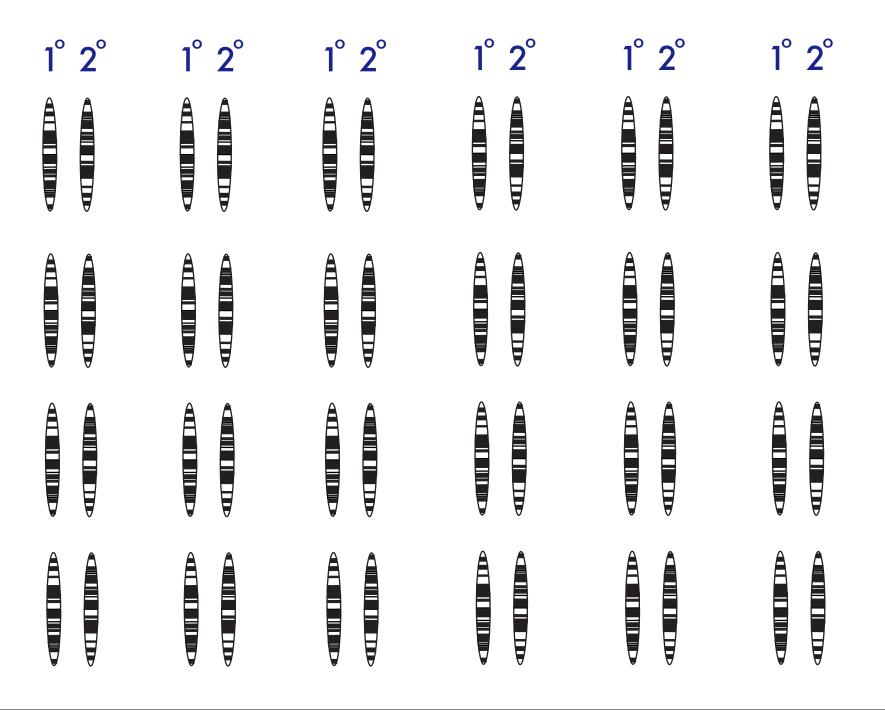


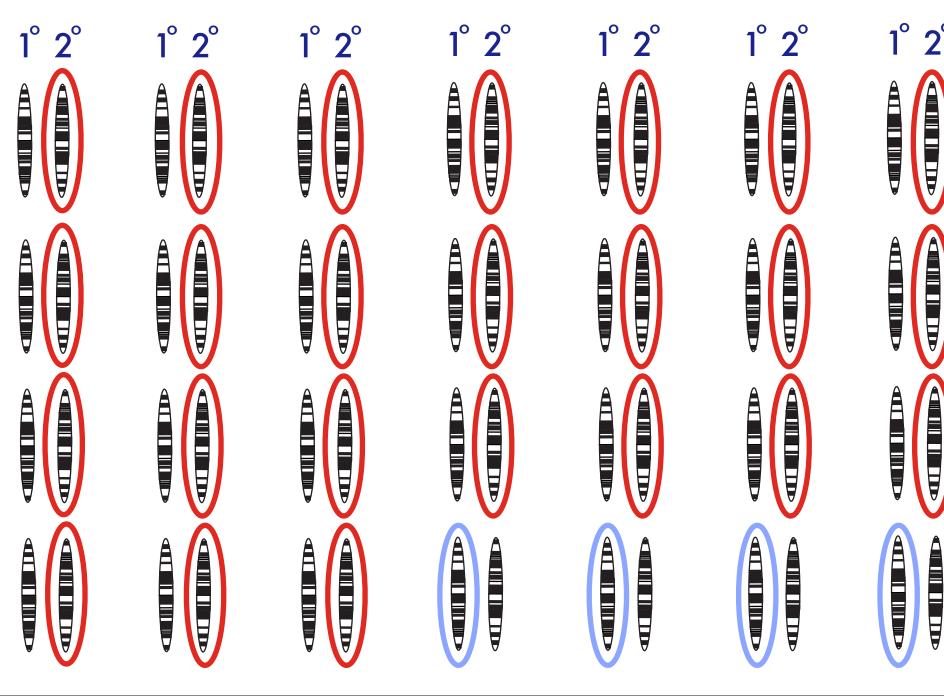






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Similarity of Human and Chimpanzee Genes

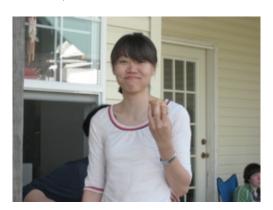
To compare human and chimpanzee genes, one compares either homologous

Thanks

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