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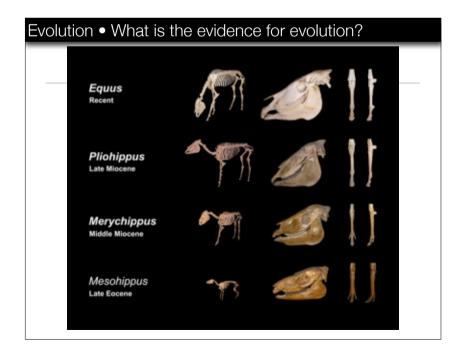
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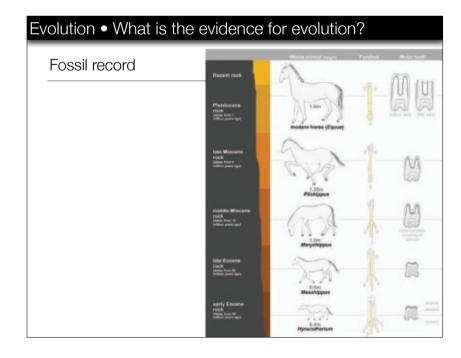
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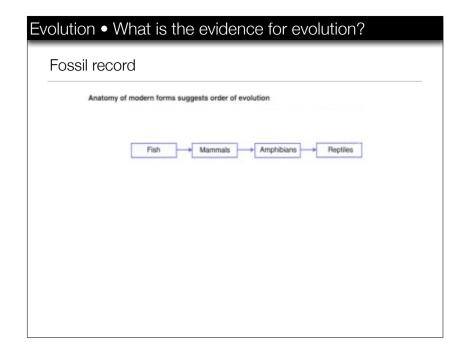
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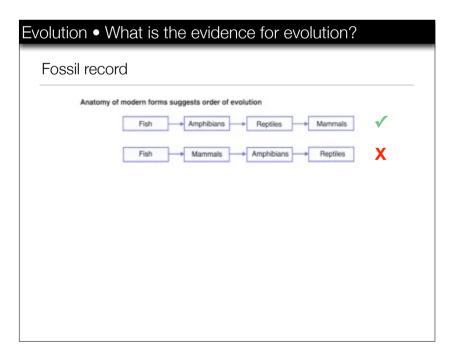


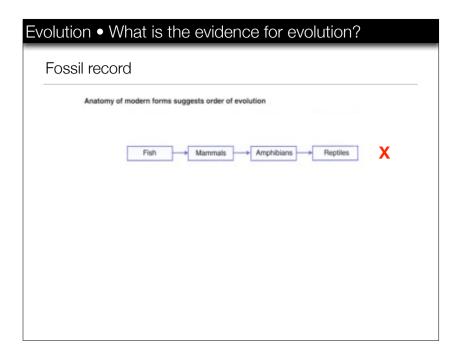


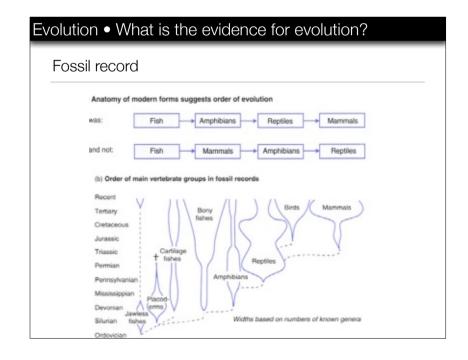


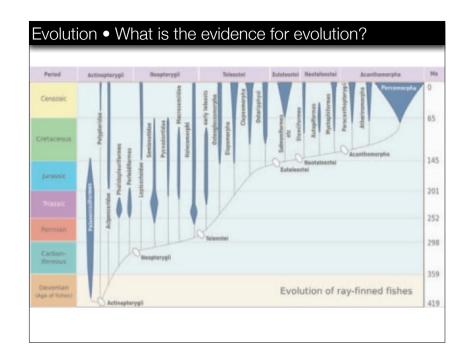


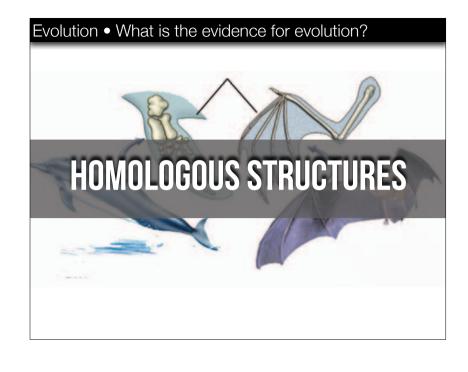


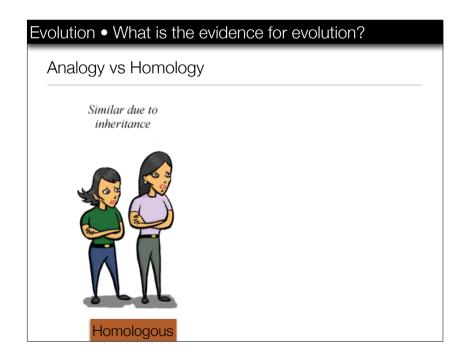


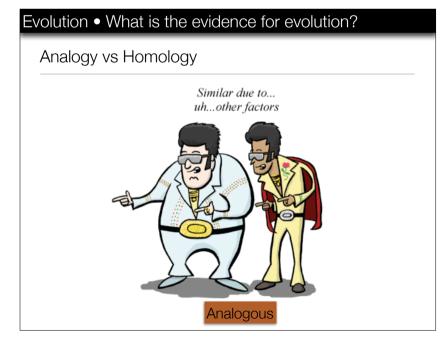


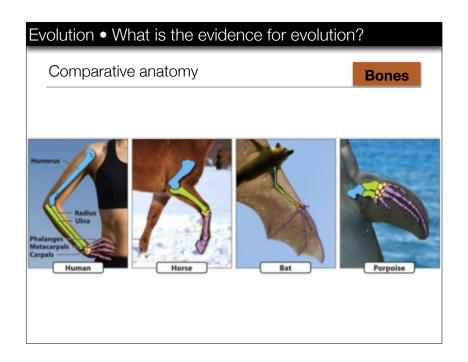


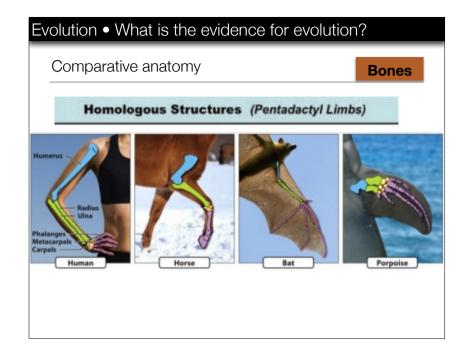


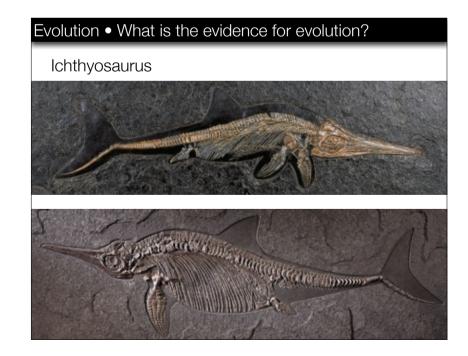


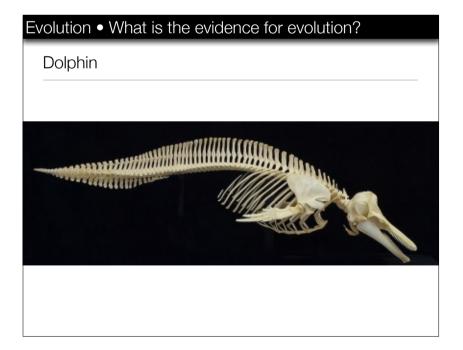


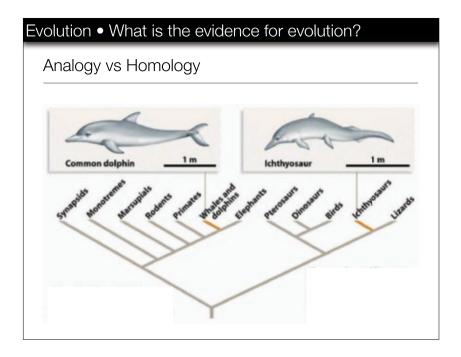


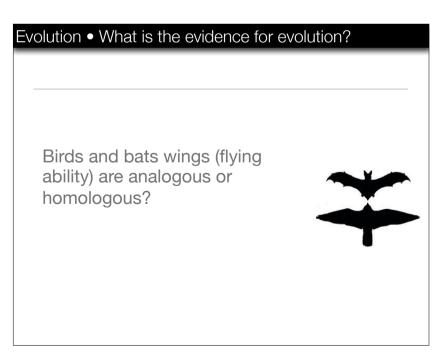


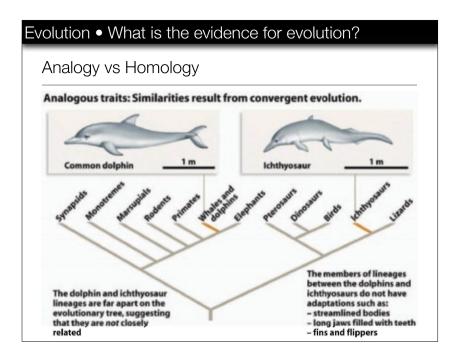


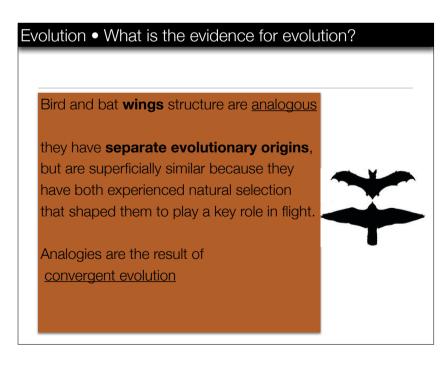










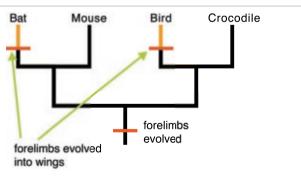


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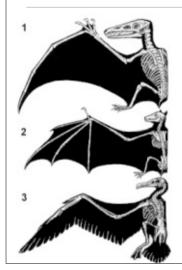
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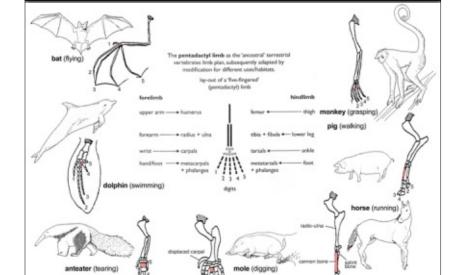
Bird and bat **forelimbs (structure)** are homologous. Birds and bats **did not inherit wings** from a common ancestor with wings, but they did inherit forelimbs from a common ancestor with forelimbs.

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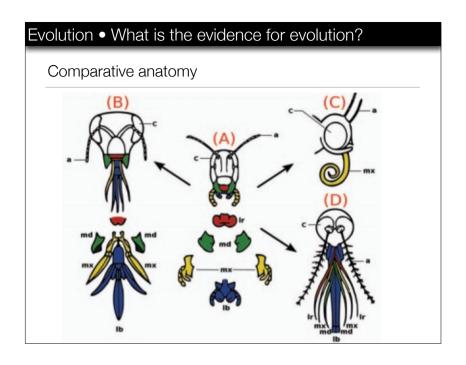
Wings analogous, forearms homologous

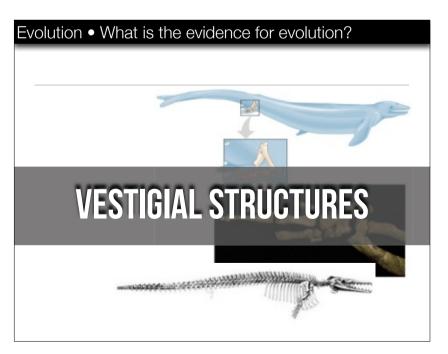


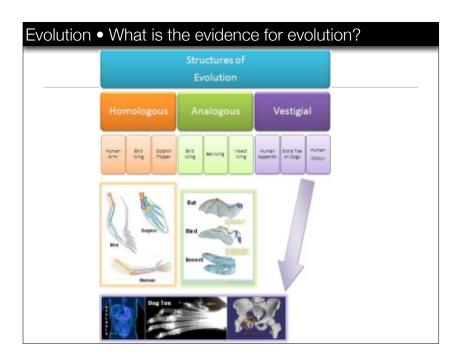
The wings of pterosaurs (1), bats (2) and birds (3) are analogous as wings (their last common ancestor did not have wings), but homologous as forearms.

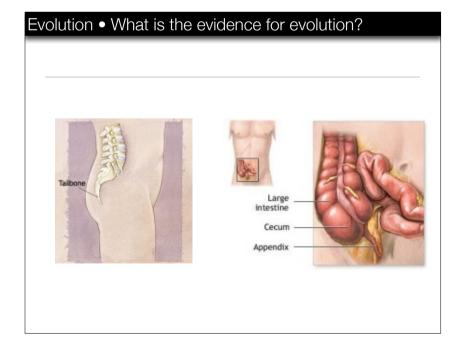


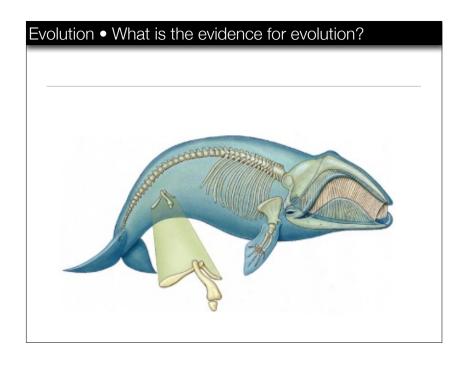
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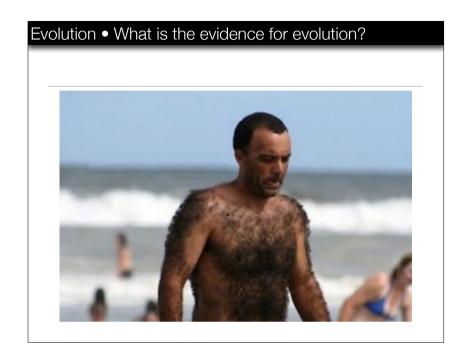


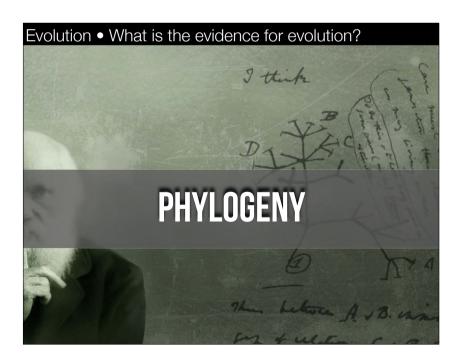


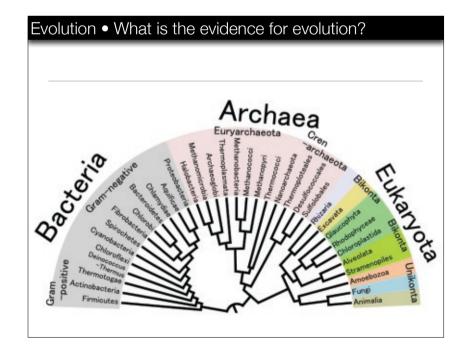


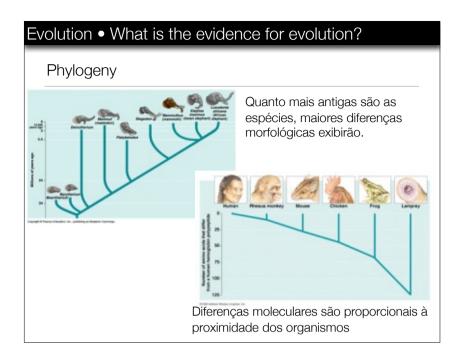


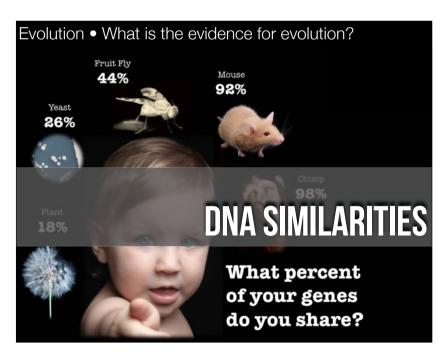


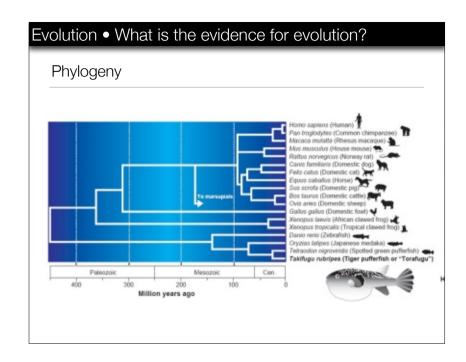


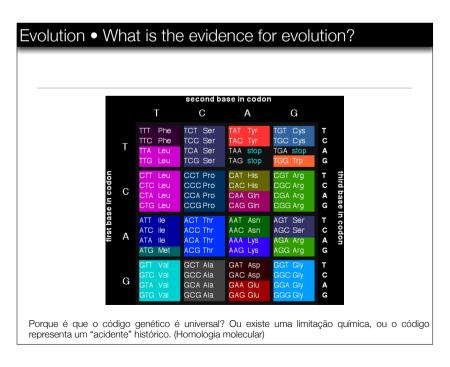












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Direct observation

For example, allowing only organisms with certain traits to breed, humans have created many different varieties from one species.



- Traças (Biston betularia) duas variantes: clara, escura.
- Antes de 1900, as árvores cobertas de liquenes eram cinzentas claras: as traças claras eram mais comuns.
- Com a revolução industrial a poluição matou os liquenes e as árvores ficaram mais escuras: as traças escuras passaram a ser mais comuns.
- Mais tarde com a diminuição da poluição, as árvores voltaram à cor normal e as traças claras substituiram as
 escuras
- A sobrevivência das traças depende da predação pelas aves predadores visuais

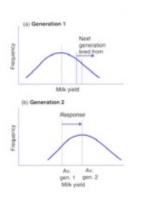


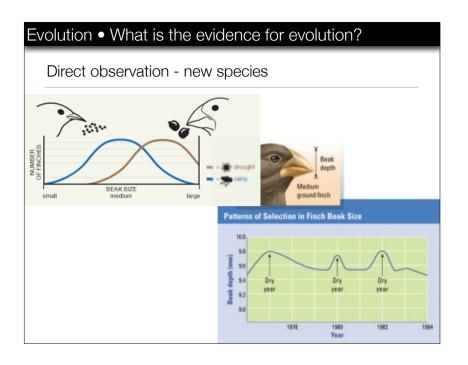
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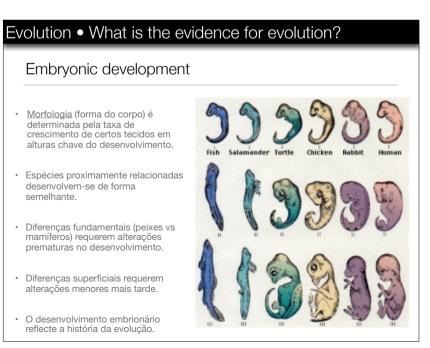
Direct observation - experimental

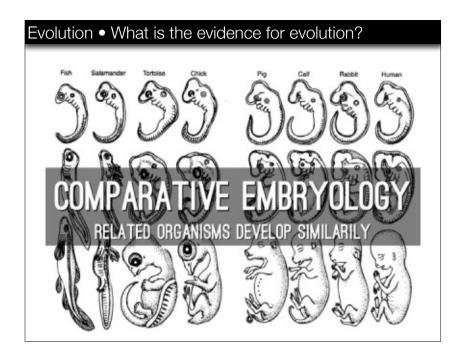
A geração 2 surge a partir de um cruzamento de indivíduos da geração 1 que produzem uma quantidade de leite acima da média.

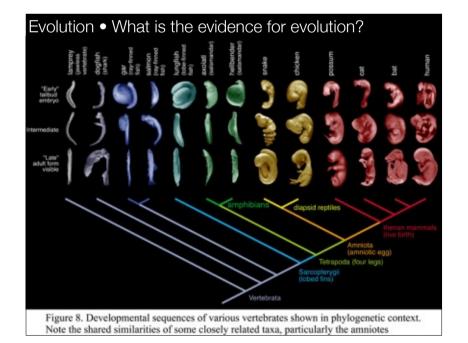
Observa-se um desvio da média de produção de leite da 1ª para a 2ª geração.

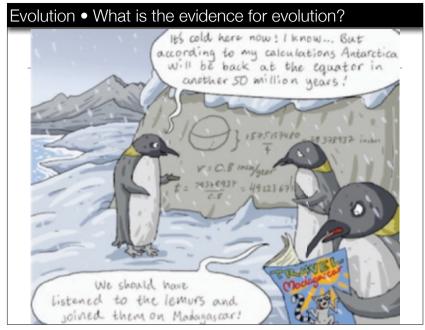


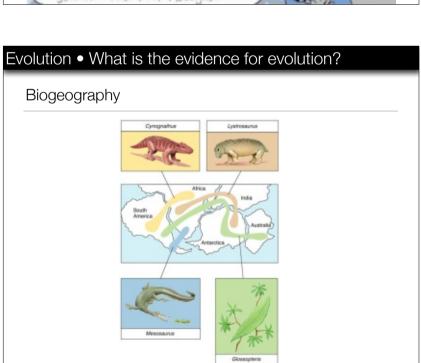


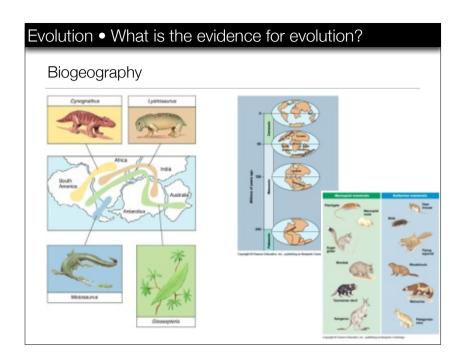


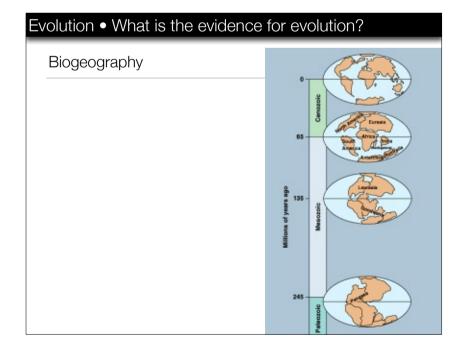


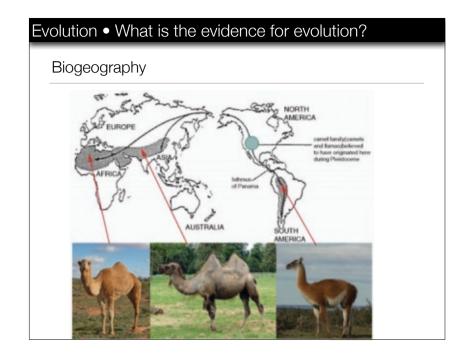


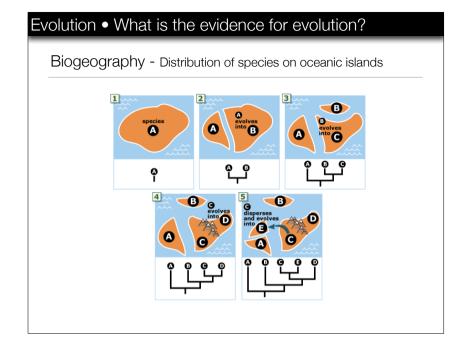


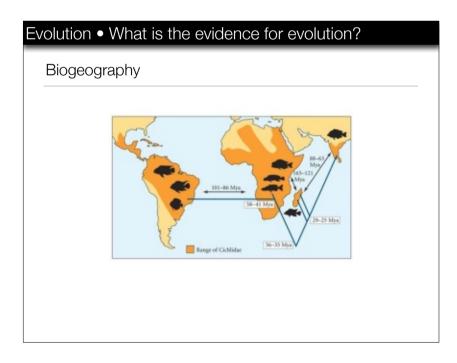


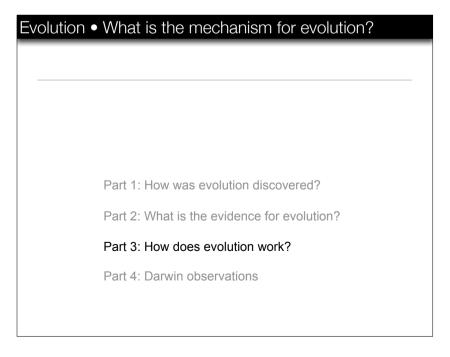












Evolution • What is the mechanism for evolution?

All in the Genes (or almost all....)





- The genetic make-up of an organism is known as its genotype.
- An organism's genotype and the environment in which it lives determines its total characteristic traits i.e. its phenotype.

Phenotype

DNA



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• The double-helix structure of DNA was discovered in 1953.

 This showed how genetic information is transferred from one cell to another almost without error.

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DNA replication

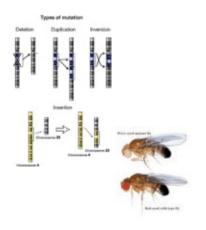
Mechanism: Variation



- Nevertheless, some mutations will persist and increase genetic variation within a population.
- Variants of a particular gene are known as alleles.
 For example, the one of the genes for hair colour comprises brown/blonde alleles.

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Mutation



Types of mutation

- However, occasional mutations or copying errors can and do occur when DNA is replicated.
- Mutations may be caused by radiation, viruses, or carcinogens.
- Mutations are rare and often have damaging effects. Consequently organisms have special enzymes whose job it is to repair faulty DNA.

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Natural Selection

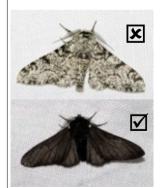


- Mutant alleles spread through a population by sexual reproduction.
- If an allele exerts a harmful effect, it will reduce the ability of the individual to reproduce and the allele will probably be removed from the population.
- In contrast, mutants with favorable effects are preferentially passed on

Selection of dark gene

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Haldane and the peppered moth



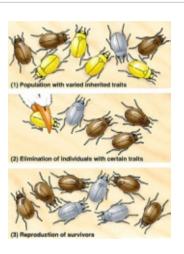
in action discovered by HaldaneDuring the Industrial Revolution the trees on which the moth

rested became soot-covered.

 This selected against the allele for pale colour in the population (which were poorly camouflaged from predators) and selected for the dark colour allele.

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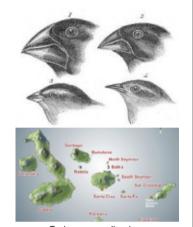


Dogs are wolves

- The dog is another example of how selection can change the frequency of alleles in a population.
- Dogs have been artificially selected for certain characteristics for many years, and different breeds have different alleles.
- All breeds of dog belong to the same species, *Canis lupus* (the wolf)

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- However, if two populations of a species become isolated from one another for tens of thousands of years, genetic difference may become marked.
- If the two populations can no-longer interbreed, new species are born.
- Darwin's Galapagos finches are an example of this process in action.



Galapagos finches

Darwin- Speciation in Galapagos finches Caroand dwellers (Seed eaters) Medium tree finch Sharp-beaked ground finch Seed ground finch Sharp-beaked ground finch Sharp-beaked

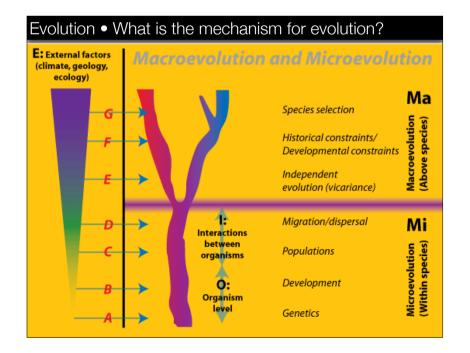
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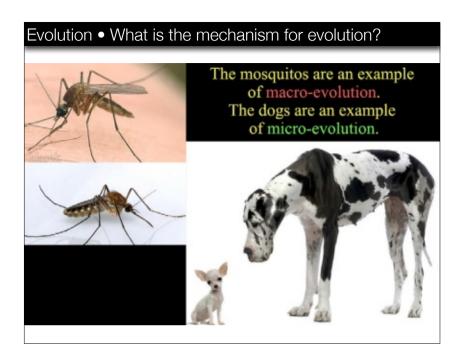
Speciation Today?



London Underground Mosquito

- The mosquito was introduced to the London Underground during its construction around 1900.
- It became infamous in the War for attacking people sheltering from the Blitz.
- Studies indicate several genetic differences from its above-ground ancestors. Interbreeding between populations is difficult suggesting that speciation may be occurring.



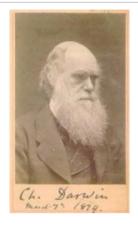


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so... what can explain the similarity?

likewise what can explain the dissimilarity?

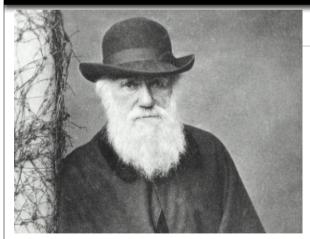
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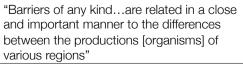




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Alfred Wallace (1823-1913)

British naturalist, 1858 Letter from West Indies with article to review and send to Lyell.

Developed a theory of evolution identical to the one Darwin was working on.



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As duas maiores contribuições de Darwin

- 1. Estabeleceu que as espécies surgem através de **evolução de ancestrais comuns**.
- 2. Identificou o mecanismo da evolução como a selecção natural.
- A reunião de evidências sobre a evolução convenceu numa década a maior parte dos biólogos.
- A sua teoria só se estabeleceu firmemente, após os anos '30, com os avanços no campo da genética.

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Alfred Russell Wallace (1823-1913)

- Darwin passou 2 décadas a coligir informação, mas estava reluctante em publicar a matéria que sabia que iria gerar grande controvérsia.
- Em 1858, <u>Alfred Wallace</u> submeteu um manuscrito propondo uma teoria idêntica à de Darwin.
- Publicaram conjuntamente em 1858.
- Em 1859, Darwin publicou "The Origin of Species".

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A revolução Darwiniana

A teoria de Darwin desafiou:

- 1. A ideia de que a Terra tinha um ambiente constante e uma idade relativamente jovem.
- 2. A crença de que o mundo tinha sido criado por um criador sábio e benigno.
- 3. A ideia da imutabilidade das espécies.
- 4. A ideia da posição única do homem na criação.

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"I have called this principle, by which each slight variation, if useful, is preserved, by the term *Natural Selection.*"

Charles Darwin 1809 - 1882

Observation 2 But populations tend to remain stable over time, except for seasonal fluctuations 1,500 1,000

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Observation 1

Species have great powers of potential reproduction

Populations would increase exponentially if all individuals survived and reproduced



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Observation 3

Environmental resources are limited

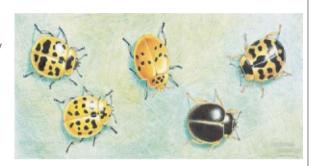
Discussion in Malthus, "Essay on the Principle of Population" helped clarify this



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Observation 4

Individuals in a population vary extensively



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Observation 5

Much of this variation is heritable

However, Darwin did not know the mechanism at the time

