

Inferring the genomes of mothers and fathers using genotype data from a set of siblings

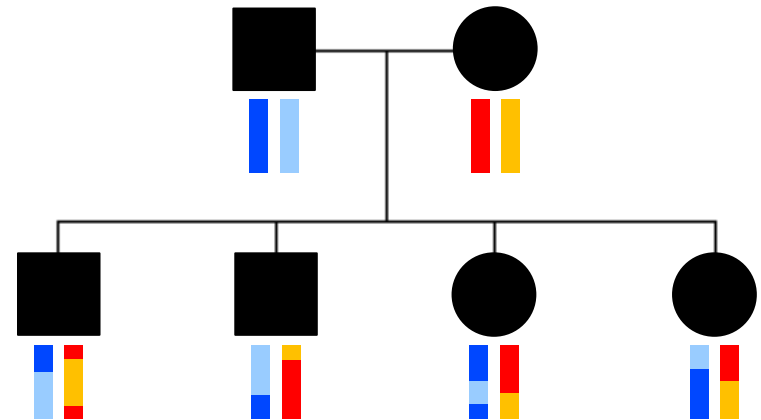
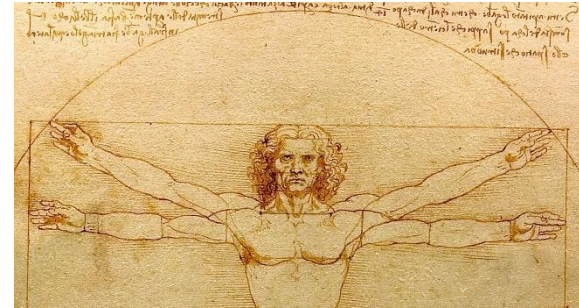
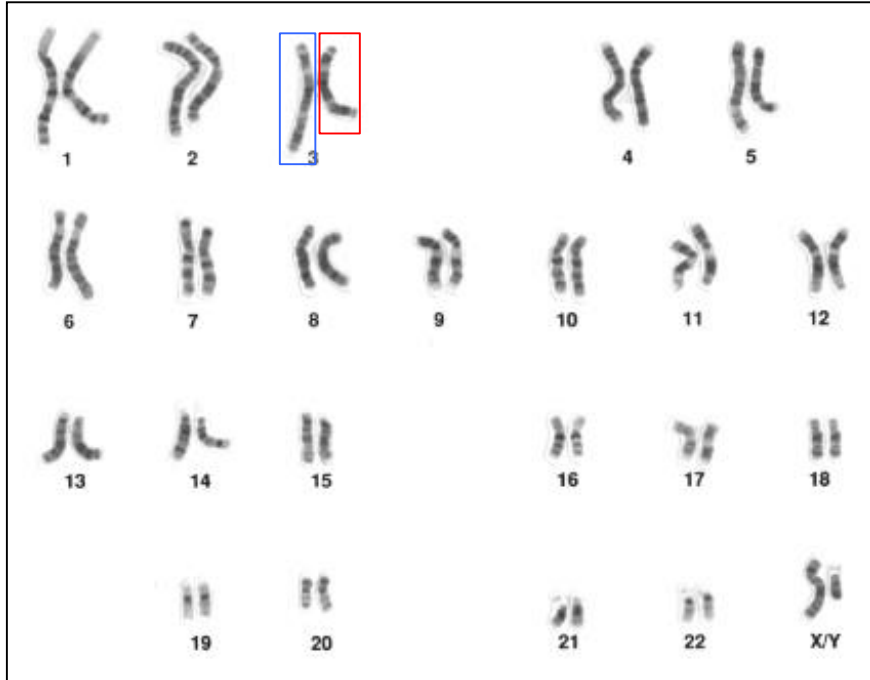
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Children inherit two chromosome copies: Mosaic of parents' chromosomes

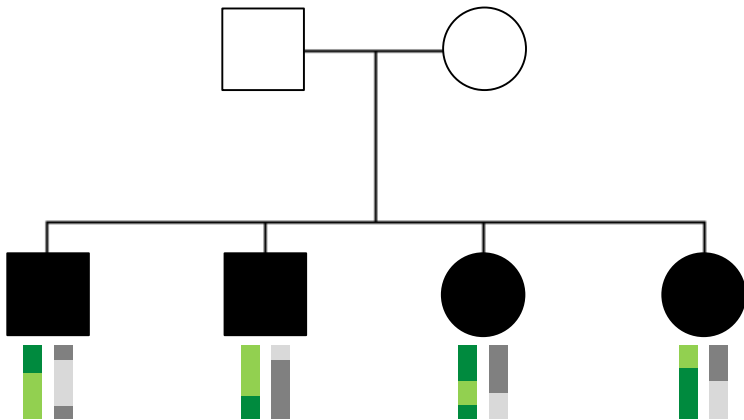


Squares and circles: males and females, respectively
Parents have line joining them and connected to children

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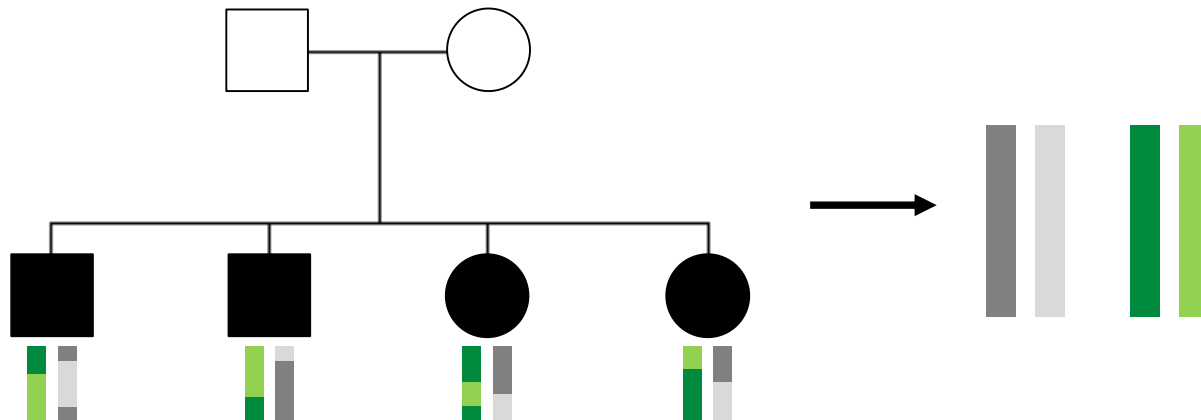
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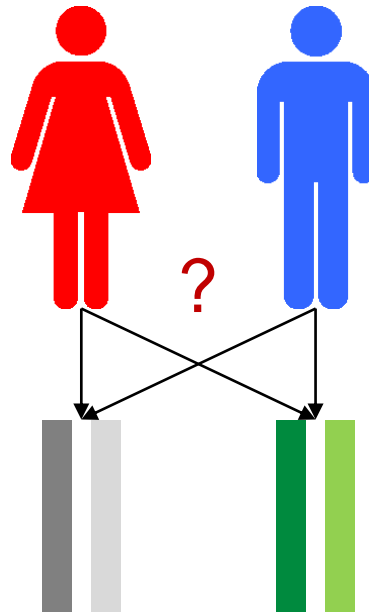
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- Example: can find dark / light green chromosomes and dark / light grey chromosomes
 - Works by stitching together identical regions



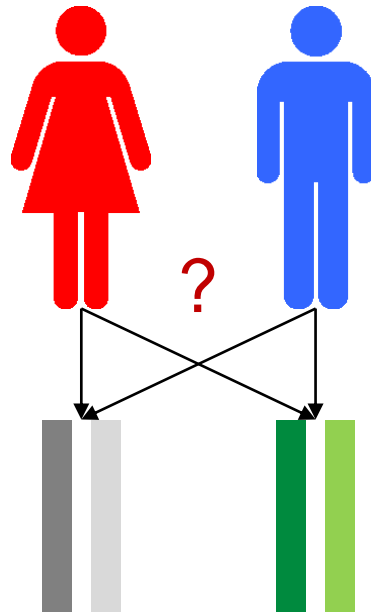
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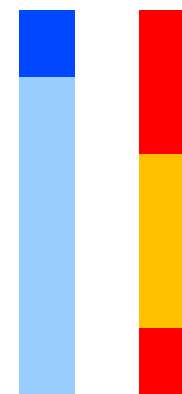
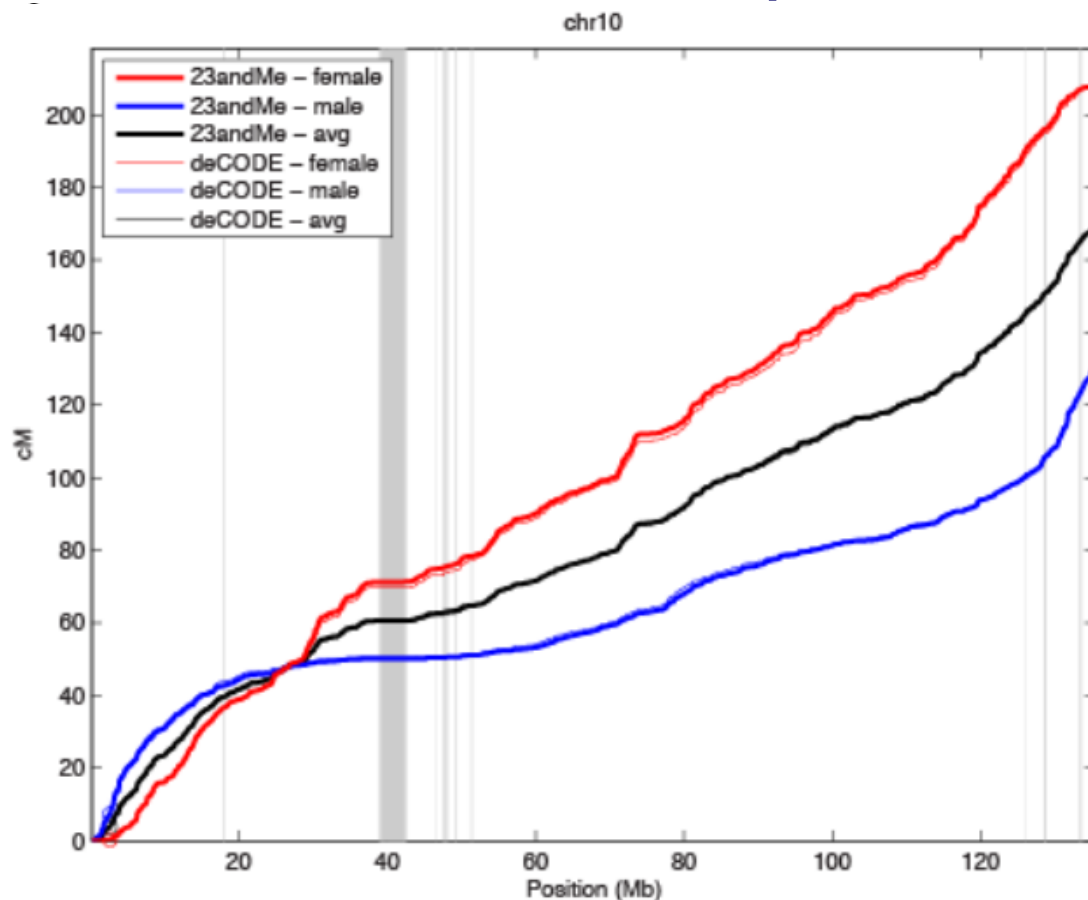
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- In fact, each chromosome is independent
 - Not just 2 possibilities: $2^{22} > 4$ million possibilities
 - Only true for autosomes: X and Y chromosomes easier

Key insight: men / women produce different mosaic patterns



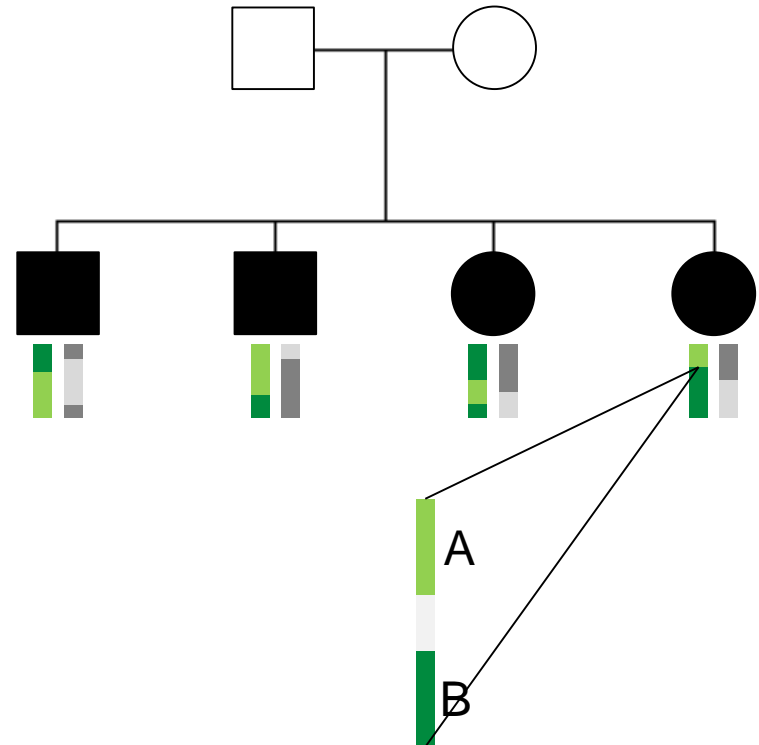
Y-axis unit is cM: centiMorgan

1 Morgan: interval with average of 1 crossover per generation

1 M = 100 cM

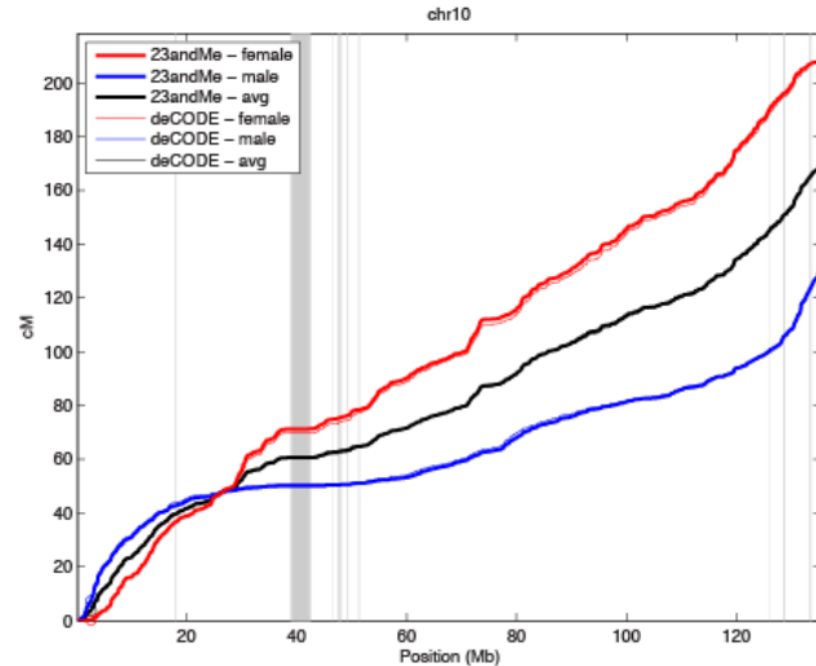
Step 1: locate crossovers using only siblings

- Using hidden Markov model (HMM), can identify “colors” using only sibling data
 - Structured problem:
 - Four possible chromosomes
 - Two per parent
 - Each child inherits one from each parent at each position
- Get location of crossovers as small window in genome
 - Example: between **A** and **B** variants



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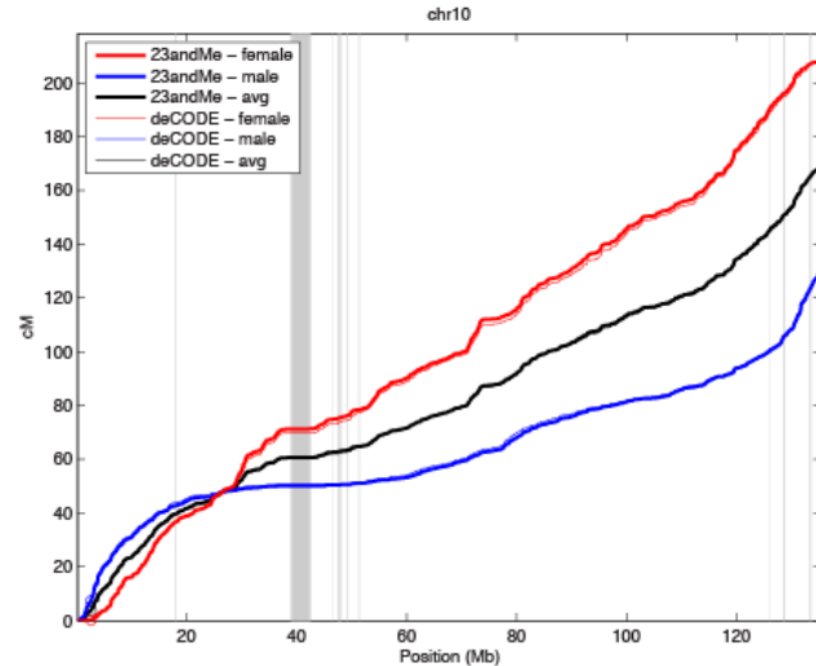


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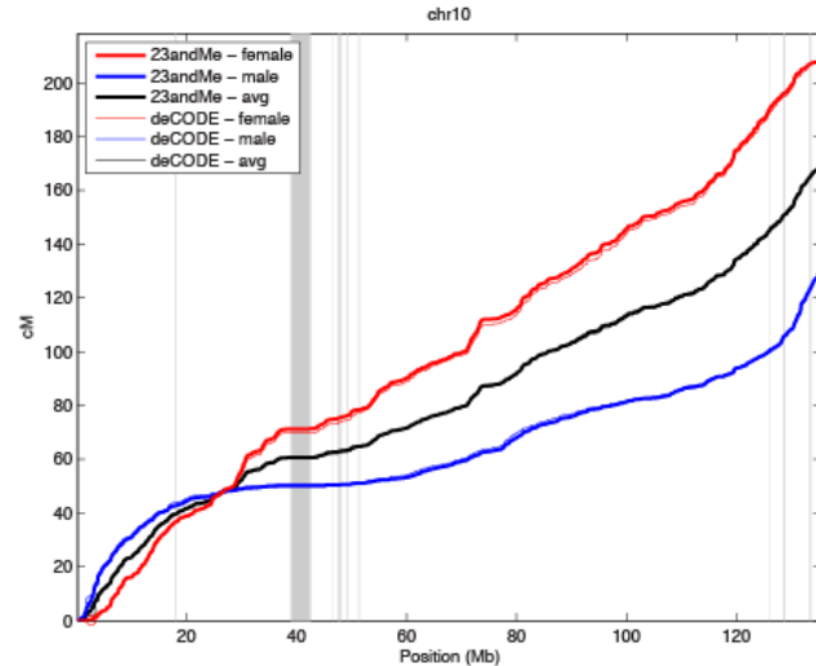
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- Probability of crossover in window length l Morgans:

$$L \sim \text{Exp}(1)$$

$$P(L \leq l) = 1 - \exp(-l)$$

➤ In general, l differs between males / females



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- Can break into terms for each child:

$$P(X_1 | S_1 = M) = \prod_{c=1}^n P(X_{1c} | S_1 = M)$$

Step 3: probabilities for each child use number, locations of crossovers

- Can now apply model and get different probabilities of male / female origin for each crossover

$$P(X_{1c} | S_1 = M) = P(N_{S_1} = |X_{1c}|) \times \prod_{w_{1cj} \in X_{1c}} P(L \leq \text{Rec}(w_{1cj}, S_1))$$

$\text{Rec}(w, S)$: probability of crossover in window w in $S \in \{M, F\}$

Results

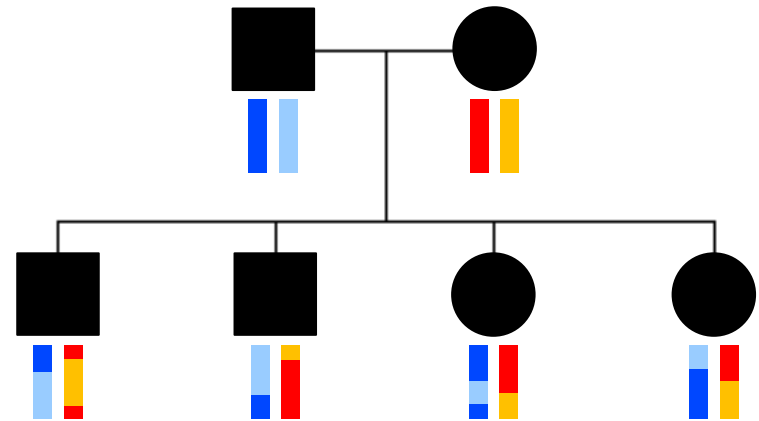


- **Data:** San Antonio Family Studies
 - Total: 2,490 genotyped samples, 80 pedigrees
 - Analyzed 69 families, 3 to 12 children
 - Include data for both parents to check accuracy
 - Genotypes from 888,748 SNPs (variants)
- In 1,518 chromosomes, posterior probabilities of correct configuration:

	Full model	Poisson	Crossover windows
> 0.5	1,515	1,099	1,513
> 0.9	1,513	372	1,511

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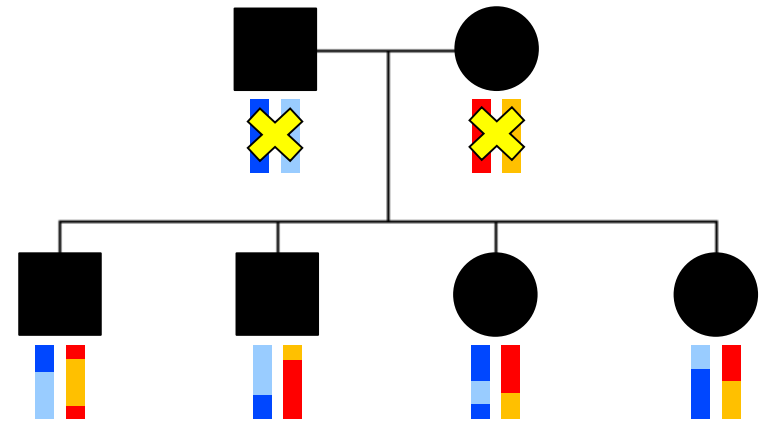
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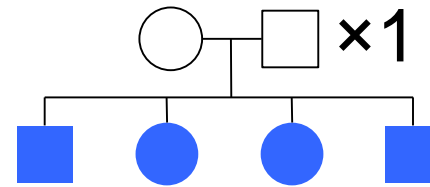
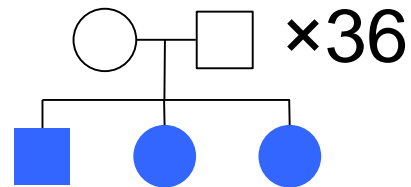
- Fewer siblings: some portions of genome will be ambiguous
 - But substantial parts will not be
- Will have accuracy results for only siblings in coming weeks

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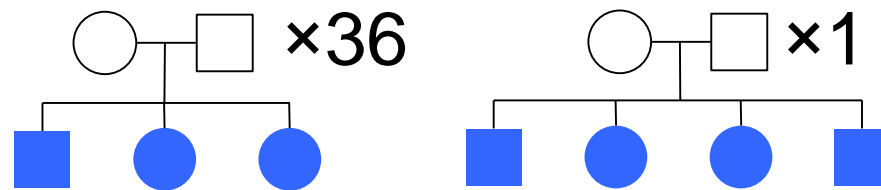


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- Why not get DNA from everyone in the world?
 1. Find siblings
 2. Infer parents' genomes
 3. Repeat 1 & 2 for many generations

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