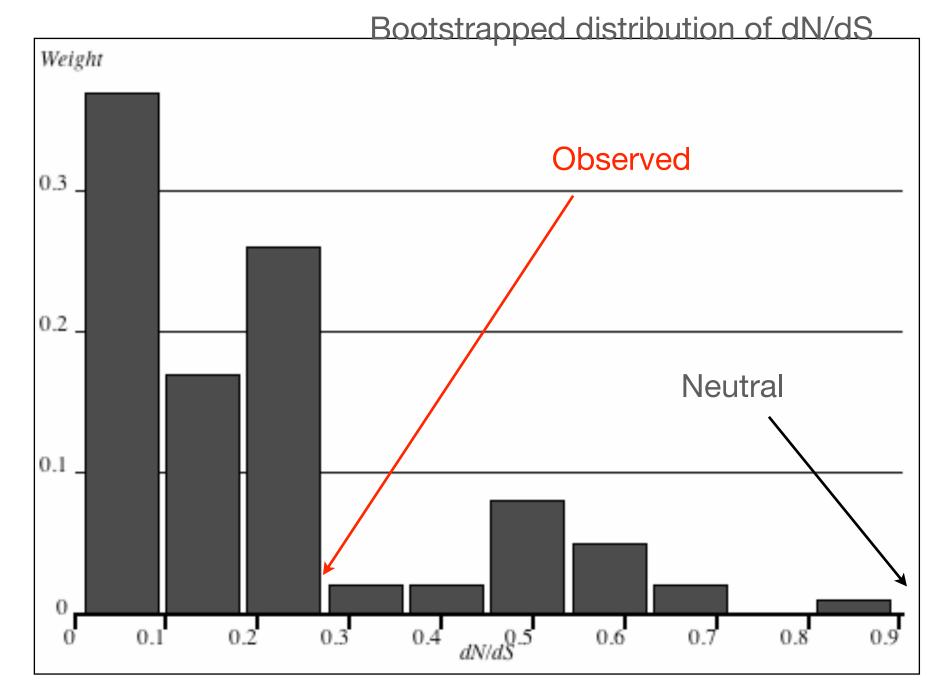
## NG86 example

- How reliable is the inference based on only 6 codons?
- Obtain sampling variance via bootstrap (or by limiting approximations)
- In this case, dN/dS is significantly less than 1.0 (p ~ 0.01)



```
Count = 100
Mean = 0.207385
Median = 0.166687
Variance = 0.0490168
Std.Dev = 0.221397
COV = 1.06757
Sum = 20.7385
Sq. sum = 9.15351
Skewness = 0.266313
Kurtosis = 33.381
Min = 0
2.5% = 0
97.5% = 0.741176
Max = 1
```

## NG86 limitations: multiple substitutions

- How many synonymous and how many non-synonymous substitutions does it take to replace CCA with CAG?
- Assume the shortest path (minimum of 2 substitutions)

```
• CCA (Proline) \Longrightarrow CAA (Histidine) \Longrightarrow CAG (Glutamine)
```

- CCA (Proline)  $\Longrightarrow$  CCG (Proline)  $\Longrightarrow$  CAG (Glutamine)
- Average over the two possible paths: 0.5 synonymous and 1.5 nonsynonymous substitutions.
- Intuitively, paths should not be equiprobable, e.g., because it should be more expensive to route evolution through (presumably) suboptimal intermediate amino-acids.