Mid Semester Examination LS1201 (Total Marks- 25)

1. Match the word or phrase that best defines each statement: (9)

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a) Nonsense mutation
b) Silent mutation
c) Conditional mutation
d) Auxotrophic
e) Somatic mutation
f) Lethal
g) Frameshift
h) Transversion
i) Transition mutation

2. In *D. melanogaster*, cherub wings (ch), black body (b), and cinnabar eyes (cn) result from recessive alleles that are all located on chromosome 2. A homozygous wild-type fly (ch⁺, b⁺, cn⁺) was mated with a cherub, black, and cinnabar fly (ch, b, cn) and the resulting F1 females were test-crossed with cherub, black, and cinnabar males. The following progeny were produced from the testcross:

ch b ⁺ cn	105	
ch ⁺ b ⁺ cn ⁺	750	
ch ⁺ b cn	40	
ch ⁺ b ⁺ cn	4	

ch b cn	753	
ch b ⁺ cn ⁺	41	
ch ⁺ b cn ⁺	102	
ch b cn ⁺	5	

Total 1800

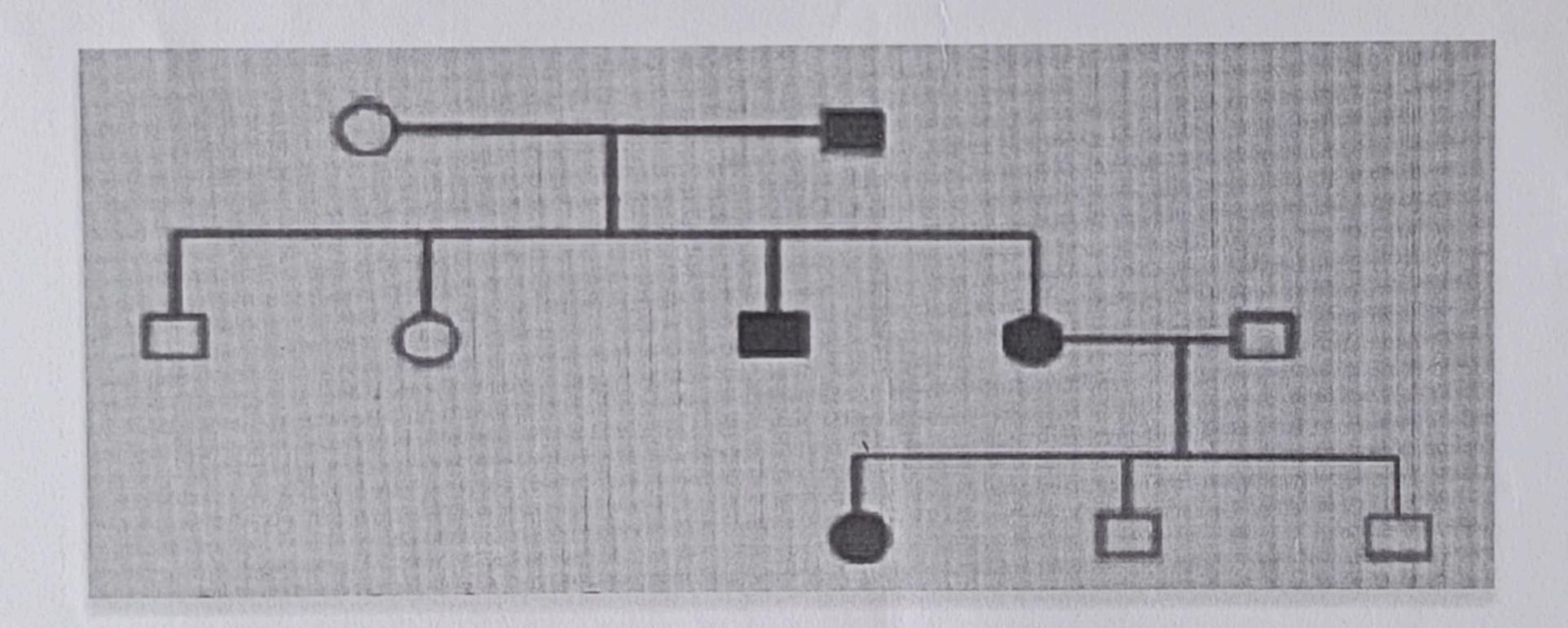
- a. Determine the linear order of the genes on the chromosome (which gene is in the middle? (2)
- b. Calculate the recombinant distances between the three loci. (4)
- 3. The following is the amino acid sequence of a part of a protein encoded by a gene "X"

....Phe Leu Val Pro Ser Tyr Cys...

A mutant for gene "X" is isolated following treatment with a mutagen. The amino acid sequence of the same region encoded by the mutant gene is as follows: ...Phe Leu Phe Arg Arg Ile......

Which mutagen is most likely used and how does it function? (5)

4. Study the Pedigree chart below, and answer the following questions with Justification.



- (a) Is the trait recessive or dominant? (1.5)
- (b) Is the trait sex-linked or autosomal? (1.5)
- (c) work out the genotypes of the individuals (2)