

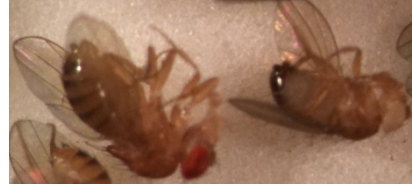


# **X-linked inheritance and Independent assortment**



# Some chromosomes have different patterns of inheritance

- Some genetic diseases much more frequent in males than in females, even when both sexes *can* get them



- Inheritance sometimes different based on sex of individual



# Sex-linkage / X-linkage

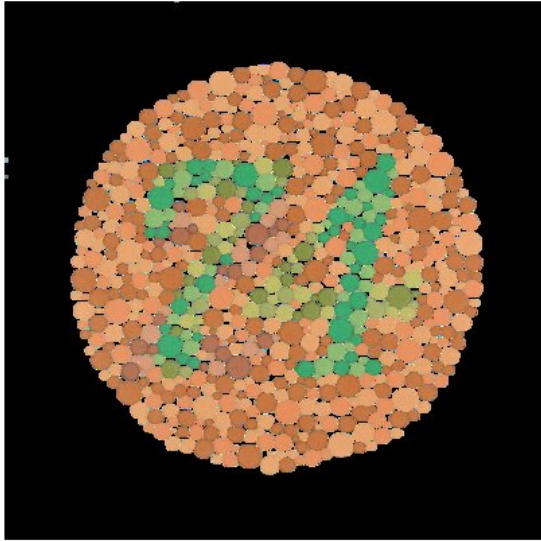
- Some genes are not present in two copies in all organisms
  - Often (not always), males XY, females XX
  - Not the same set of genes on the X and Y despite the pairing of these chromosomes
    - Often few functional genes on Y
- Different patterns of inheritance depending on who is mom/dad and whether kid is male or female



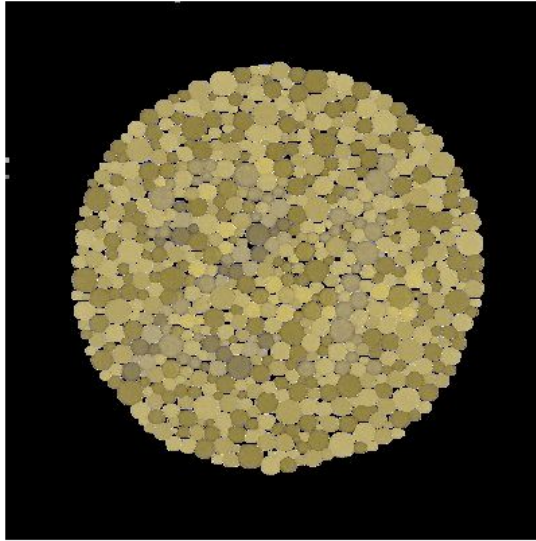
# Green color blindness is X-linked recessive in humans

- Someone with green color blindness cannot see the difference between the pictures below.

Original Image

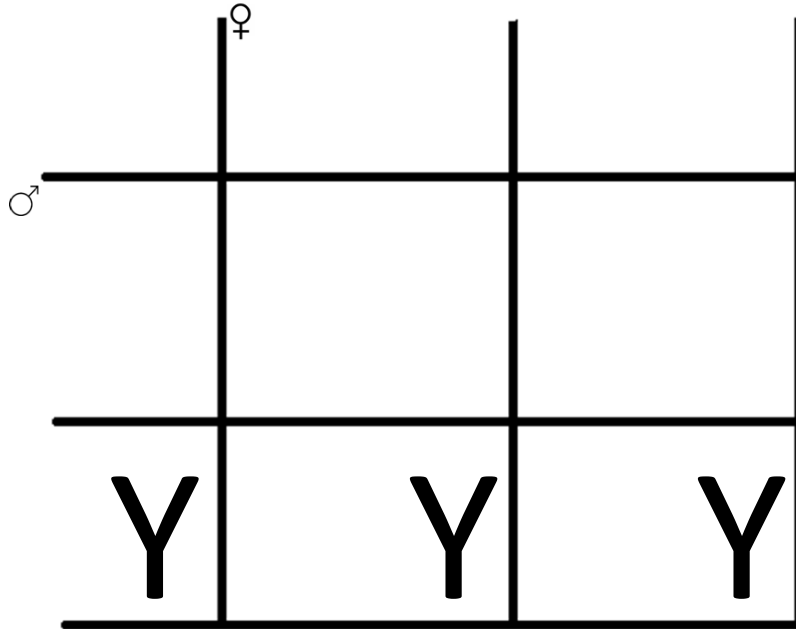


Protanope Simulation



# X-linked inheritance can be studied the same way

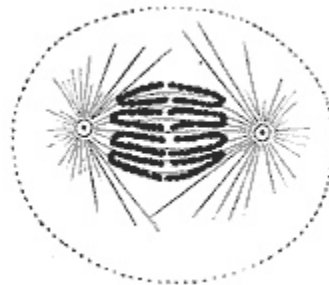
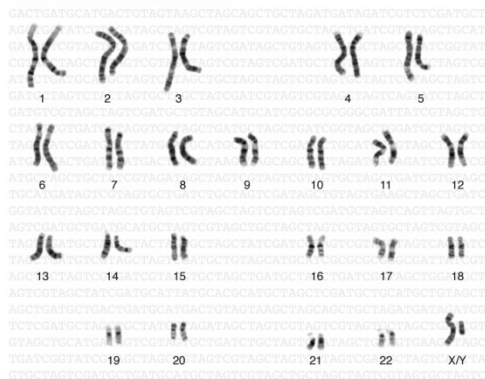
- Just insert a “Y” instead of the second allele



# The genome's a big place...

- Human genome has ~23,000 protein-coding genes, and many other important loci
- Human genome is arranged into 23 pairs of chromosomes
- Chromosomes are inherited independently
  - Mendel's law of independent assortment

Chromosomes of the Human Genome



# What happens when studying two traits, controlled by genes on different chromosomes?

- Left thumb on top
  - Dominant, T
  - Opposite- right on top- t
- Straight thumb
  - Dominant, S
  - Opposite- hitchhiker- s



# What happens when studying two traits, controlled by genes on different chromosomes?

- Left thumb on top, straight thumb  
Has kids with right thumb, hitchhiker

**TT SS x tt ss**





# What happens when studying two traits, controlled by genes on different chromosomes?

- Kids marry each other and have kids

**T t S s x T t S s**



# What happens when studying two traits, controlled by genes on different chromosomes?

- T and S alleles are inherited “independently” in TtSs parents
- **Gametes:** TS, Ts, tS, ts
- Two ways to approach
  - Multiply probabilities
    - $\frac{1}{4}$  TT,  $\frac{1}{2}$  Tt,  $\frac{1}{4}$  tt;  $\frac{1}{4}$  SS,  $\frac{1}{2}$  Ss,  $\frac{1}{4}$  ss
  - Follow all gametes
    - TS can fertilize TS, Ts, tS, ts ...
    - (Work out all 16 possibilities)



♀ TS

♂

# TS

Left = T-  
Straight = S-



= S-	♀	TS	Ts	tS	ts
	TS	TTSS	TTSSs	TtSS	TtSs
	Ts	TTSSs	TTss	TtSs	Ttss
	tS	TtSS	TtSs	ttSS	ttSs
	ts	TtSs	Ttss	ttSs	ttss

# Basic probability



- For two *independent* events, multiply the two probabilities for the joint probability



# What happens when studying two traits, controlled by genes on different chromosomes?

- $\frac{1}{4}$  TT,  $\frac{1}{2}$  Tt,  $\frac{1}{4}$  tt
- $\frac{1}{4}$  SS,  $\frac{1}{2}$  Ss,  $\frac{1}{4}$  ss
- 9 possible genotypes

TTSS	TTsS	TTss
TtSS	TtSs	Ttss
ttSS	ttSs	ttss

- Phenotypes?

Left = T-  
Straight = S-



# One for y' all to try...

- Assume “independent assortment” between A and B genes
- What will be the genotypes (and proportions) of the offspring of this:

**AaBb x Aabb**

(Hint: multiplying probabilities will be easier.)

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