# Ancestry and Genomics

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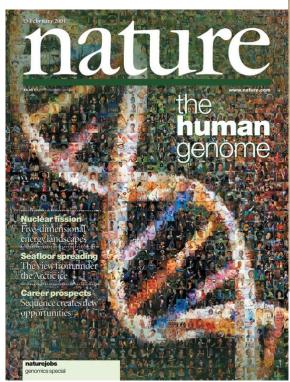
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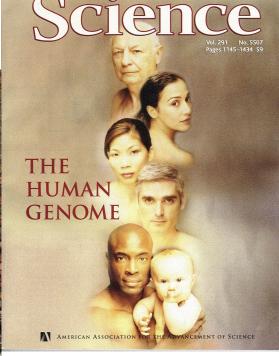
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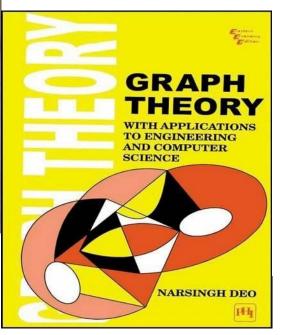
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# My fascination with "big-data"







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## What do I do?



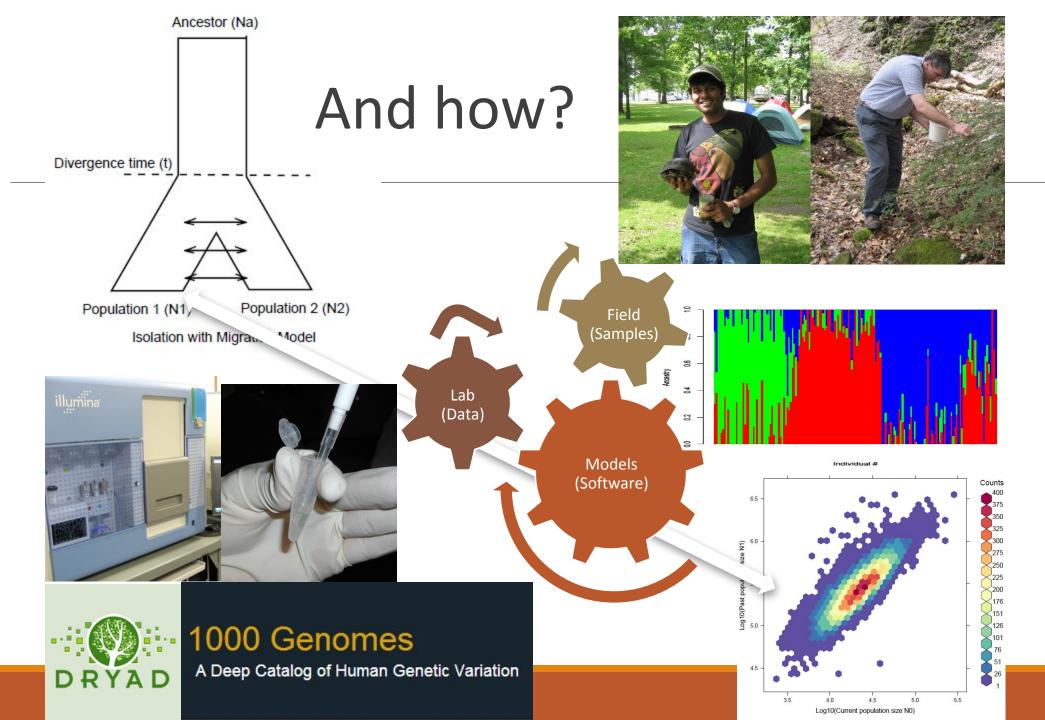
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Biological Control

Anthropology

Conservation

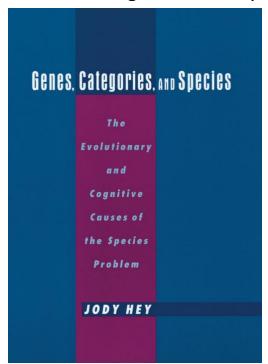
# **Population genomics**



# Some terminology

- 1. Ancestry
- 2. Population structure
- 3. Population
- 4. Race
- 5. Ethnicity
- 6. Genealogy
- 7. Subpopulation
- 8. Subspecies
- 9. Species
- 10. Deme

"The crux of the species problem is the way that people devise and rely on categories." – Jody Hey, "Genes, Categories, and Species"



# Big question

Given the genome of a person (and thousands of others), how do we identify their genetic ancestry?

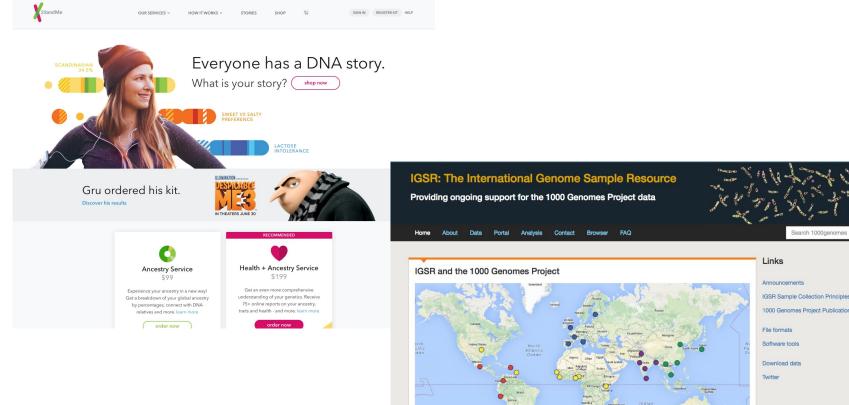
In other words, given the variants (SNP's) in a person's genome, how do we assign each SNP to where it was derived from, i.e. ancestral population?

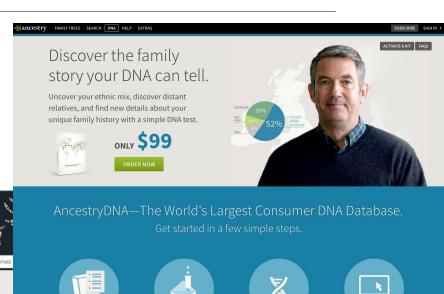
### The fascination continues...

Populations: O - African; O - American; O - East Asian; O - European; O - South Asian;

Genomes Project and to extend the data set. More information is available about the IGSR

The International Genome Sample Resource (IGSR) was established to ensure the ongoing usability of data generated by the 1000





# Not just modern humans...

