Searching for Signatures of Selection with Selscan

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Key Feature of Natural Selection

- Alleles change frequency unusually fast
    - Positive selection tends to increase frequency
    - Negative selection tends to decrease frequency
- All tests for natural selection seek to identify this feature using different aspects of the data.
- While negative selection shapes majority of patterns of variation in many species, positive selection may drive patterns of local variation.

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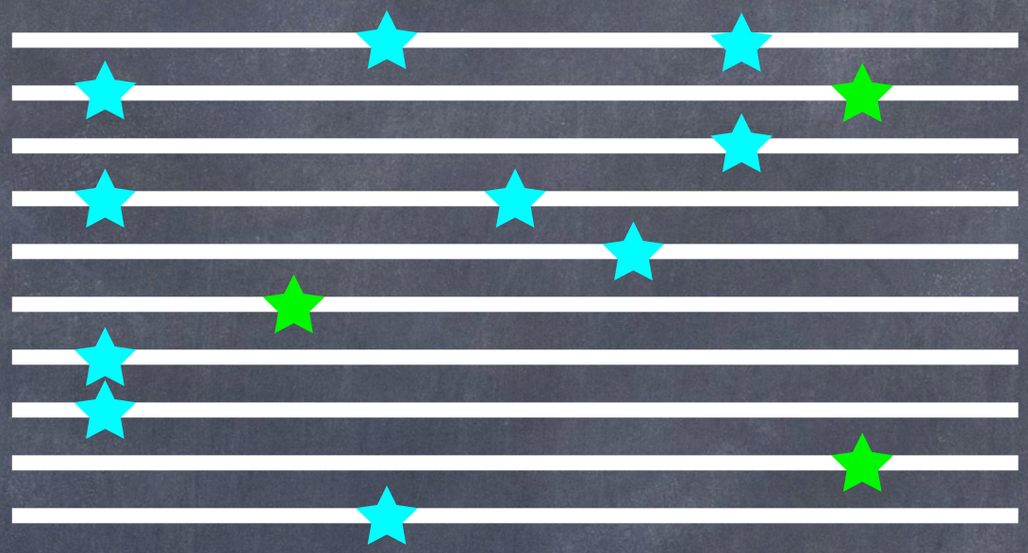

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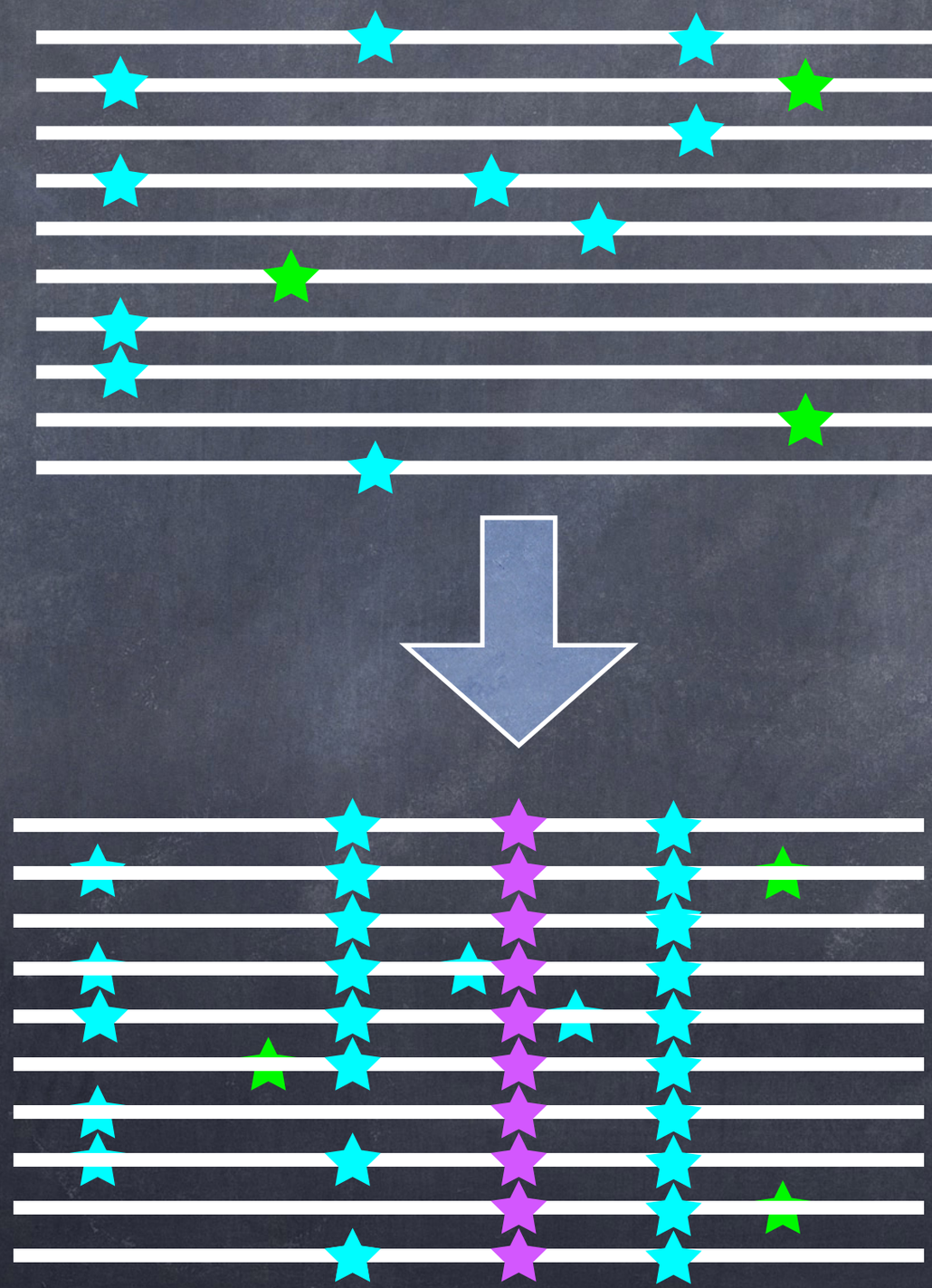
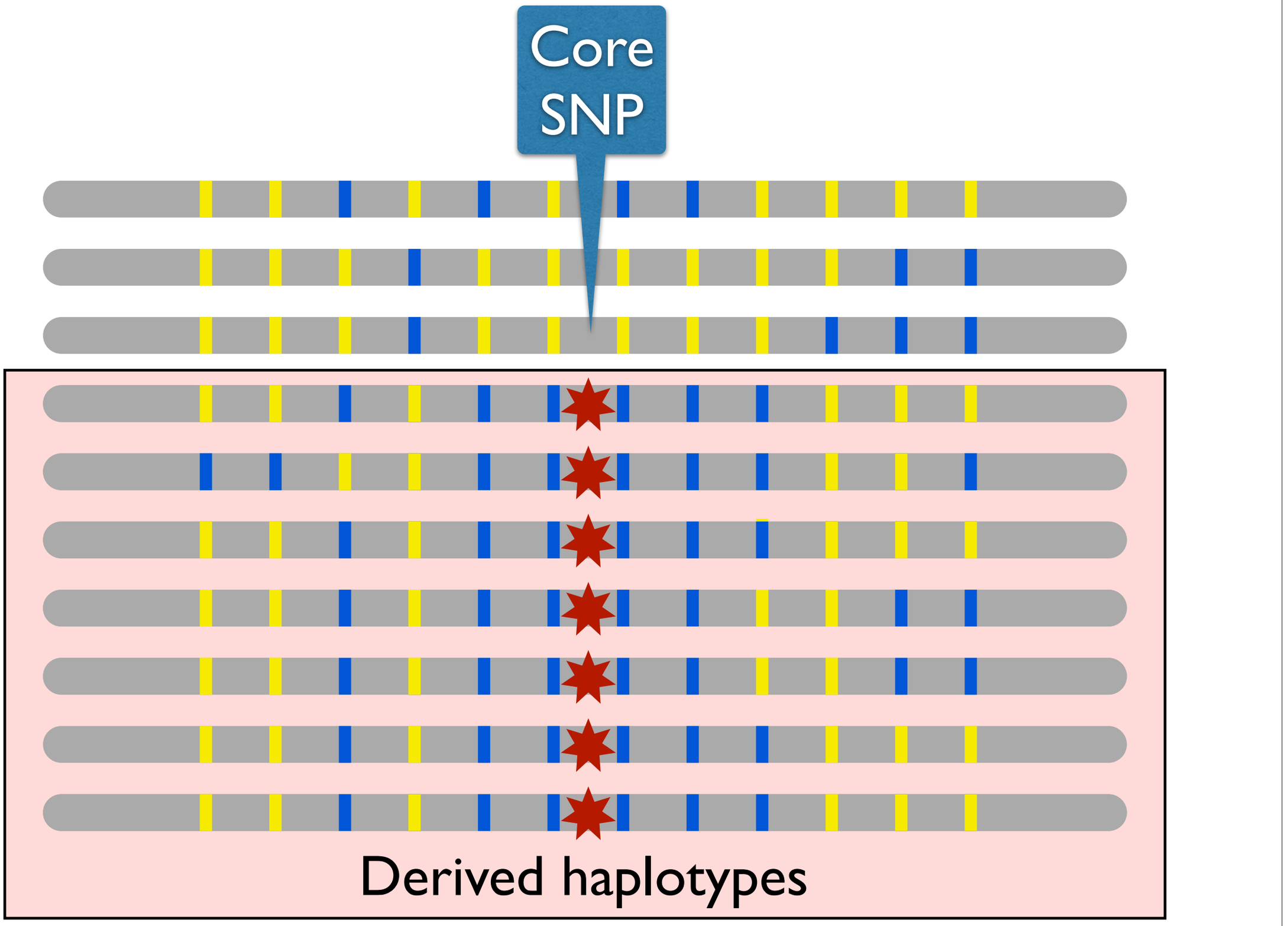


Extended Haplotype Homozygosity

- Sabeti, et al. (*Nature*, 2002) proposed EHH
- Designed to track the decay of haplotype identity away from a locus of interest
  - If selection acts quickly enough
- Originally derives from ideas in Hudson, et al. (*Genetics*, 1994).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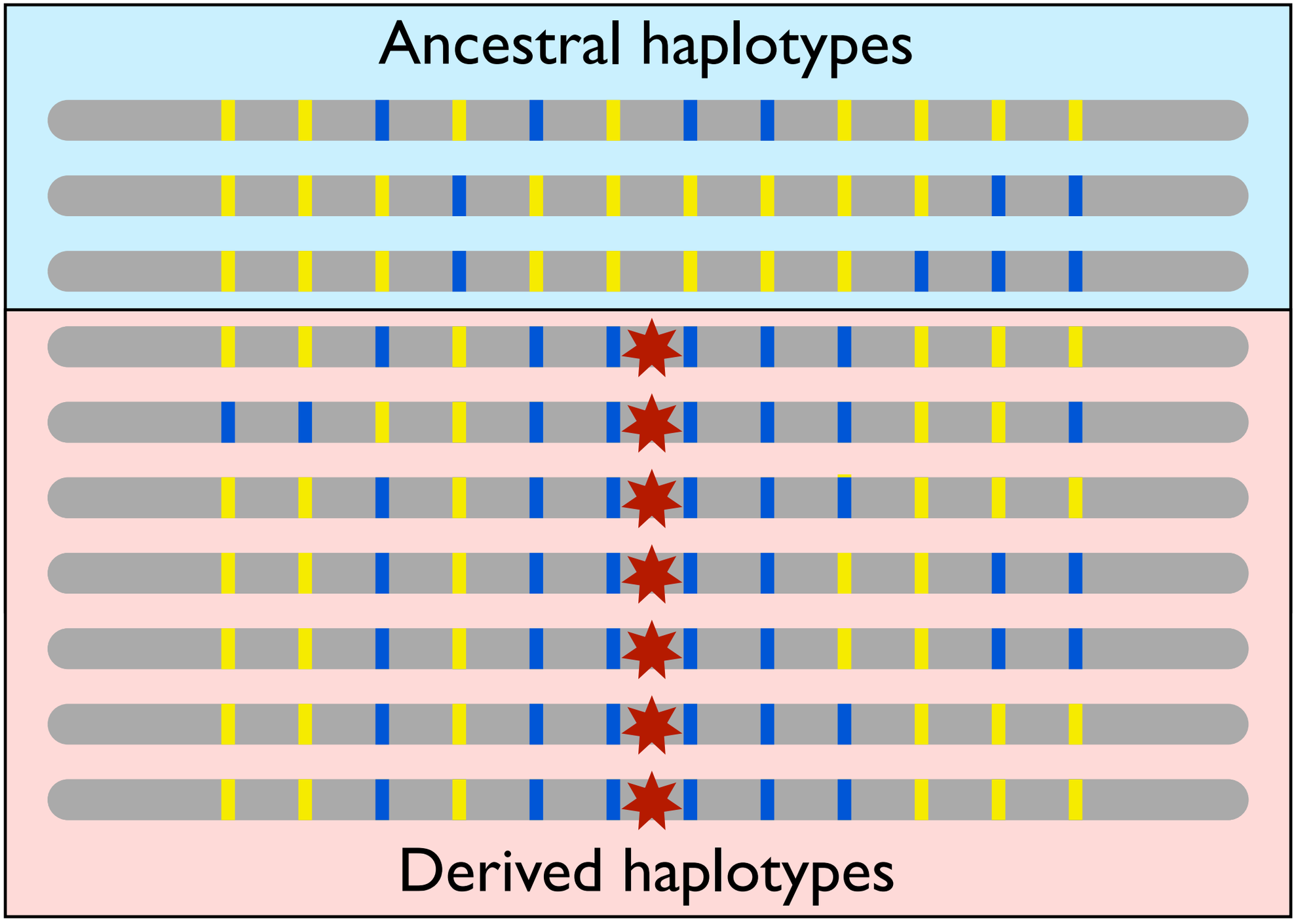
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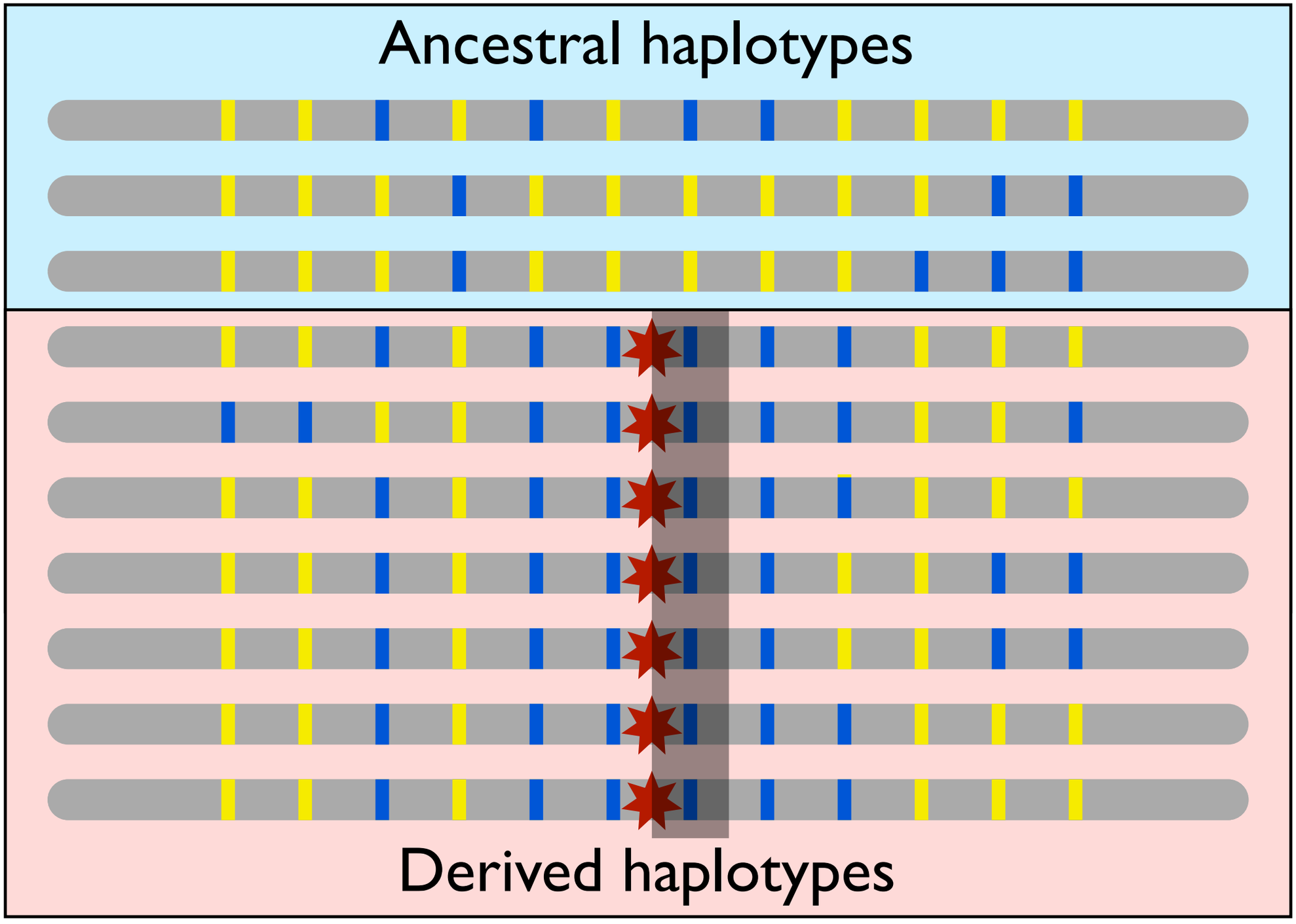
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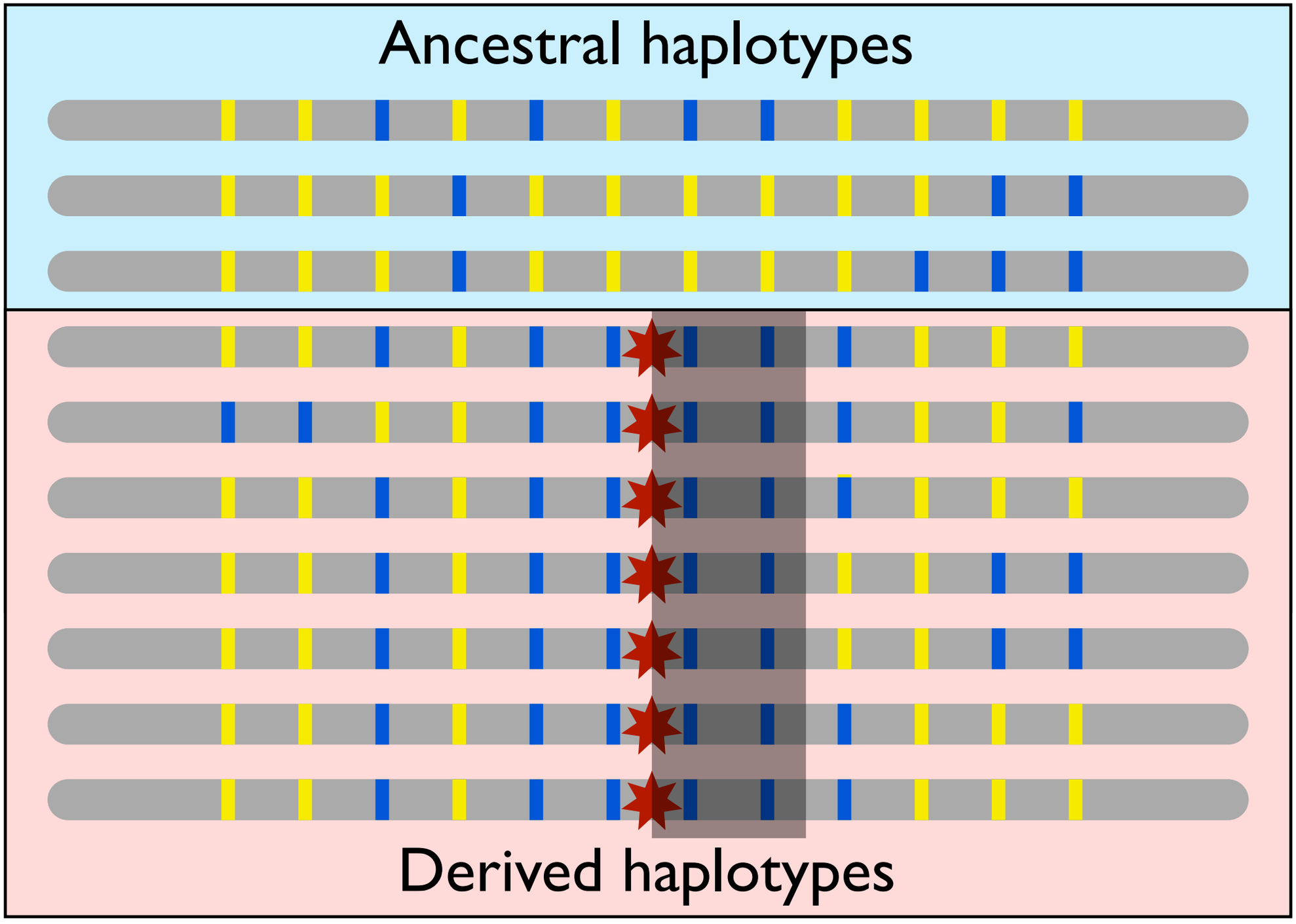
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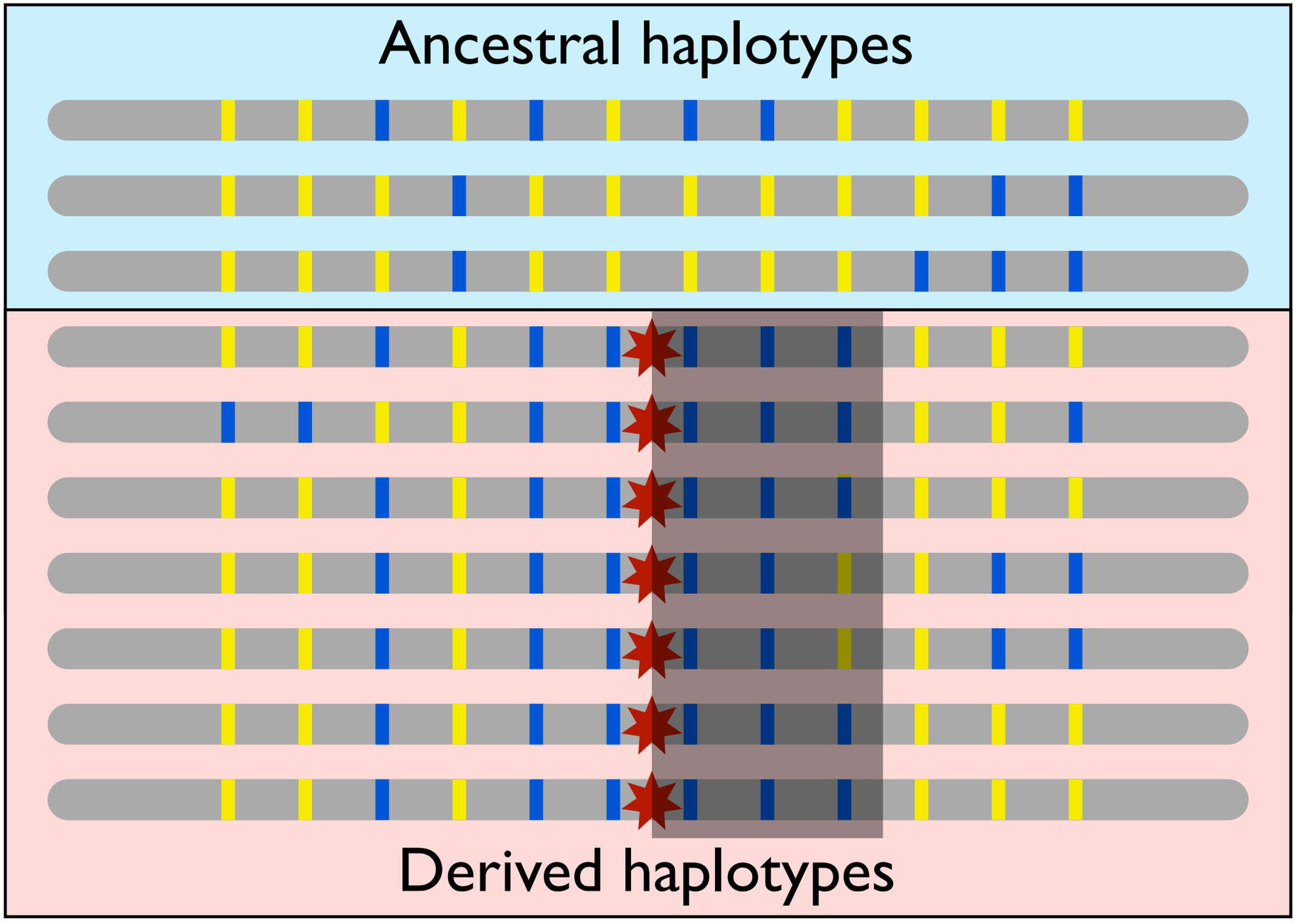
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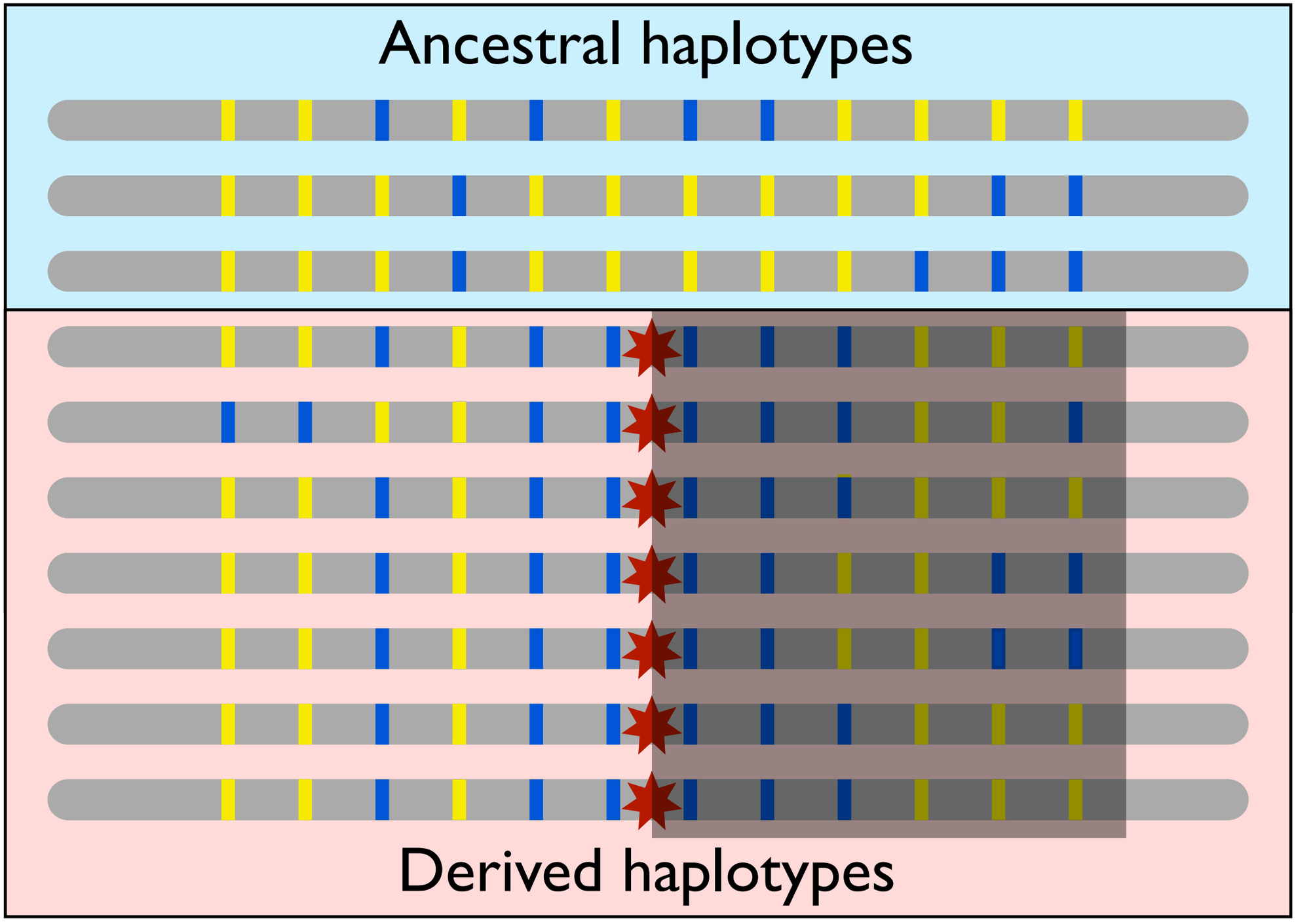
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Calculating EHH

- Given a locus of interest, $\mathcal{C}$ is the set of all distinct haplotypes at that locus.
- Select a "core" haplotype, $c \in \mathcal{C}$.
- $\mathcal{H}(c, x)$ is the set of all distinct haplotypes that extend from the locus of interest to marker $\mathtt{x}$ and contain the core haplotype $\mathtt{c}$.
- For $h \in \mathcal{H}(c, x)$, n_h is the number of haplotypes of type $\mathtt{h}$
- n_c is the number of the core haplotypes

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- If $EHH_c(x)$ is the extended haplotype homozygosity of the core haplotype `c` out to marker `x`, then

$$EHH_c(x) = \sum_{h \in \mathcal{H}(c,x)} \frac{\binom{n_h}{2}}{\binom{n_c}{2}}$$

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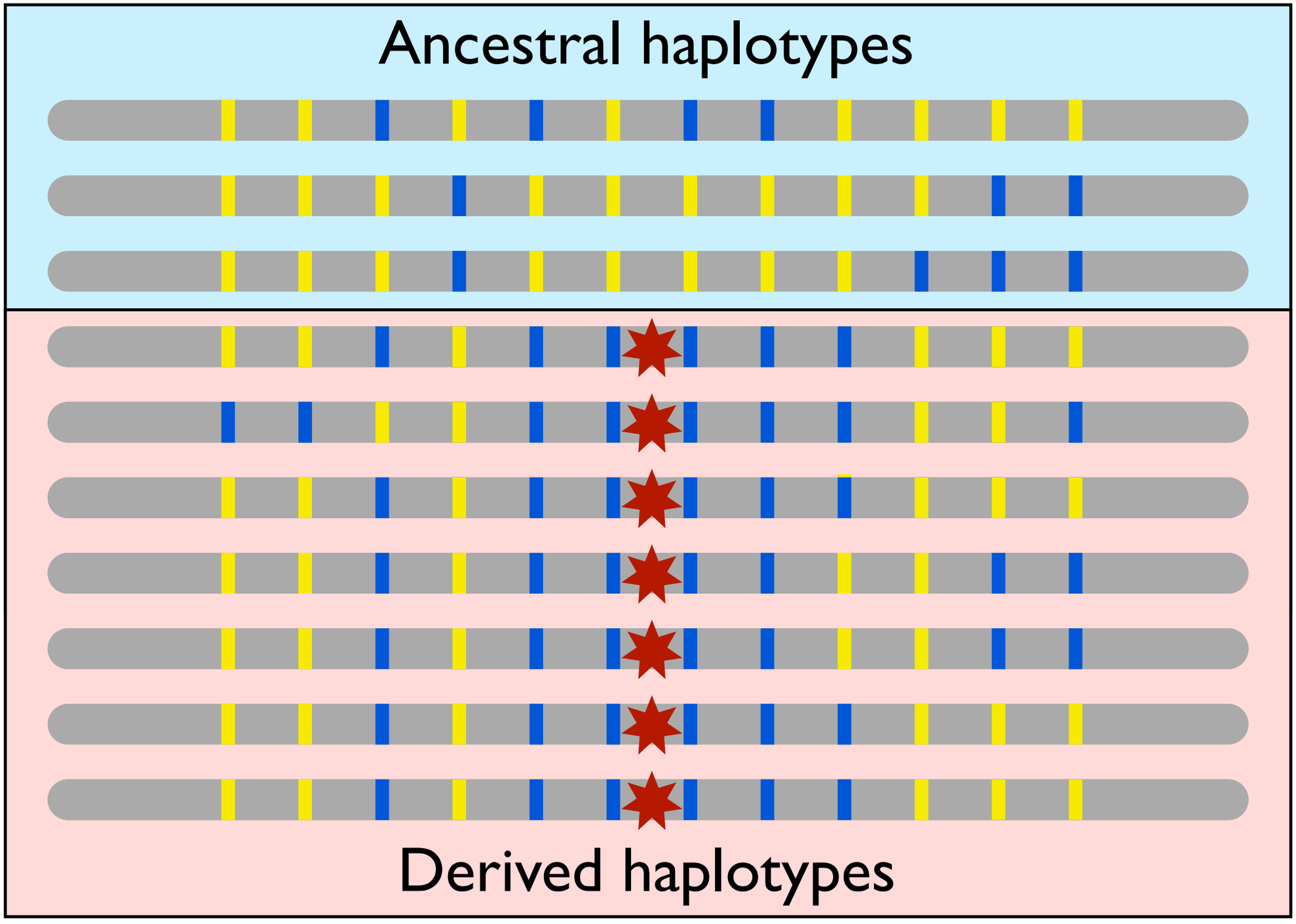
- Notice that EHH at the core haplotype is necessarily 1 and that it tends to 0 as the number of distinct haplotypes tends to infinity.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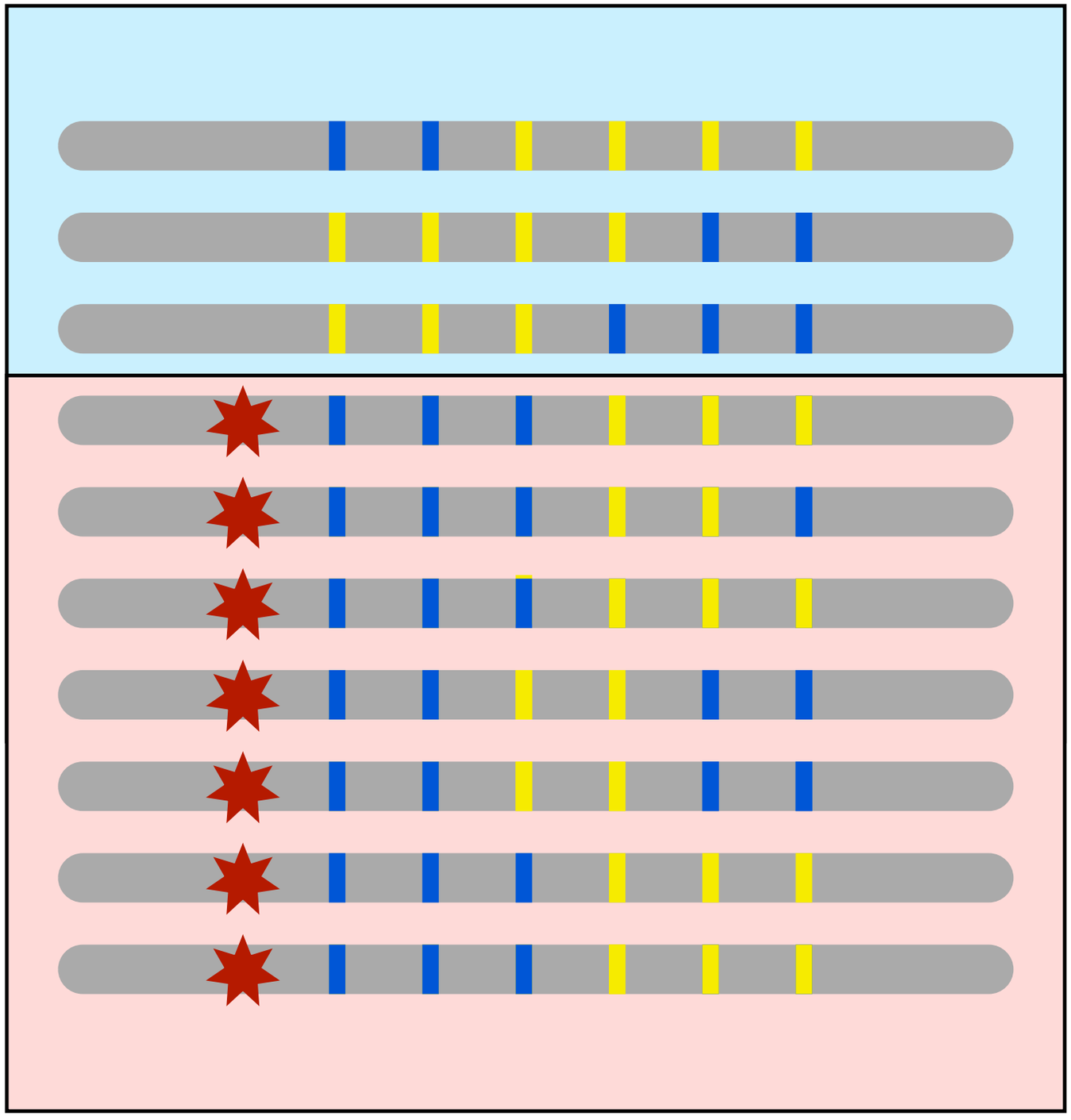

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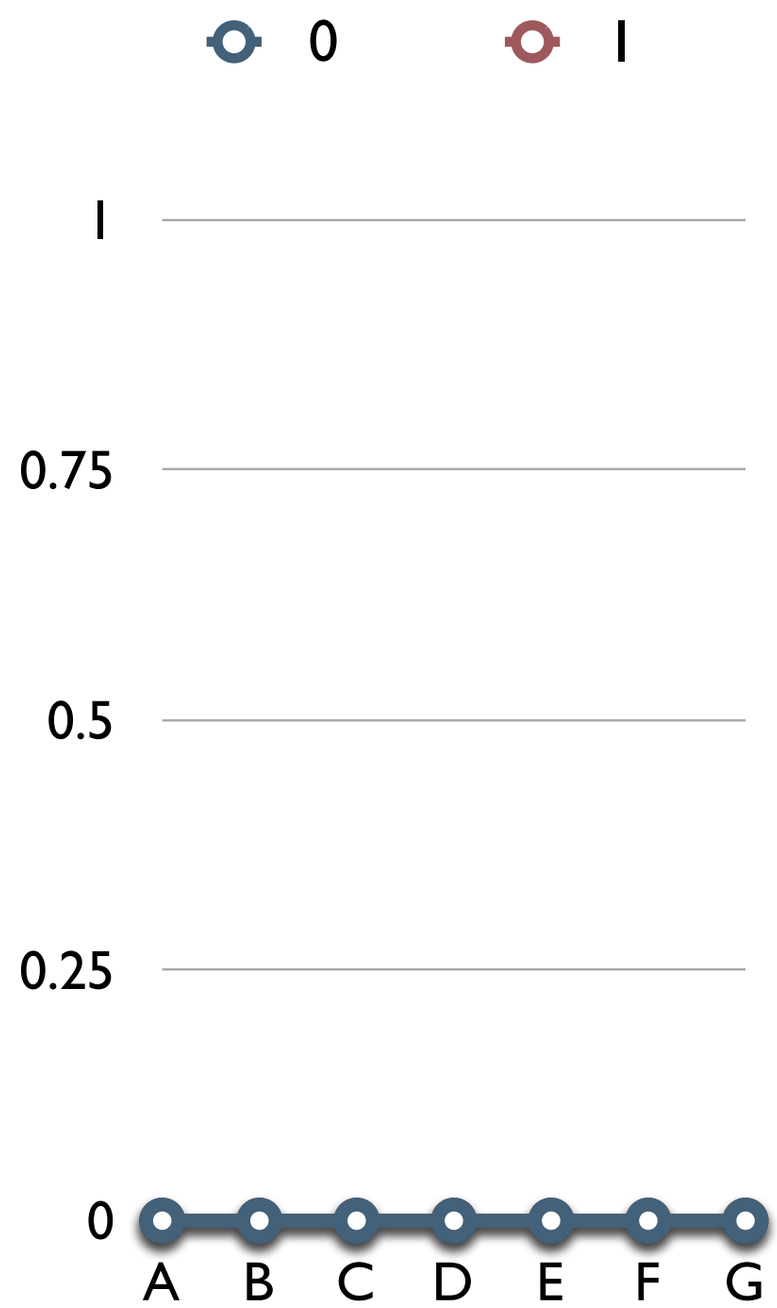
$$n_c = n_1 = 7$$



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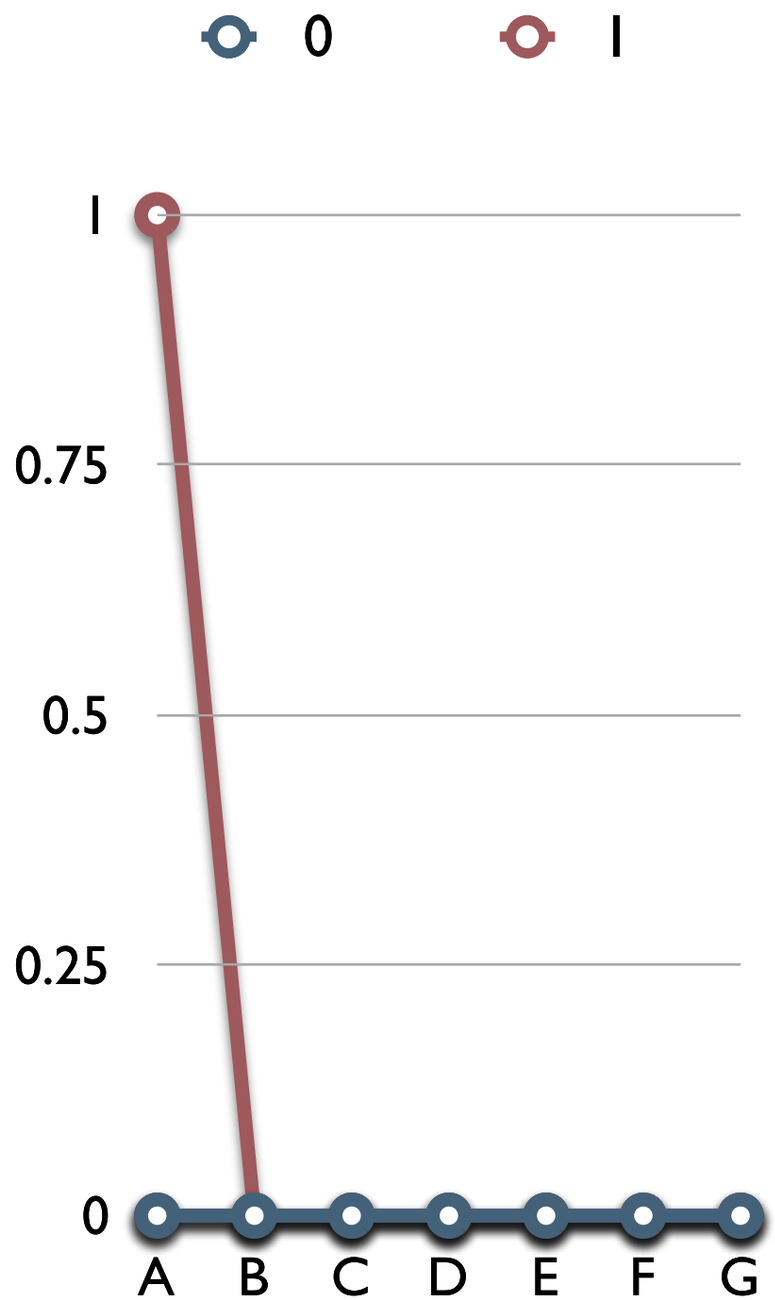
$$EHH_1(A) = \frac{\binom{7}{2}}{\binom{7}{2}} = 1$$



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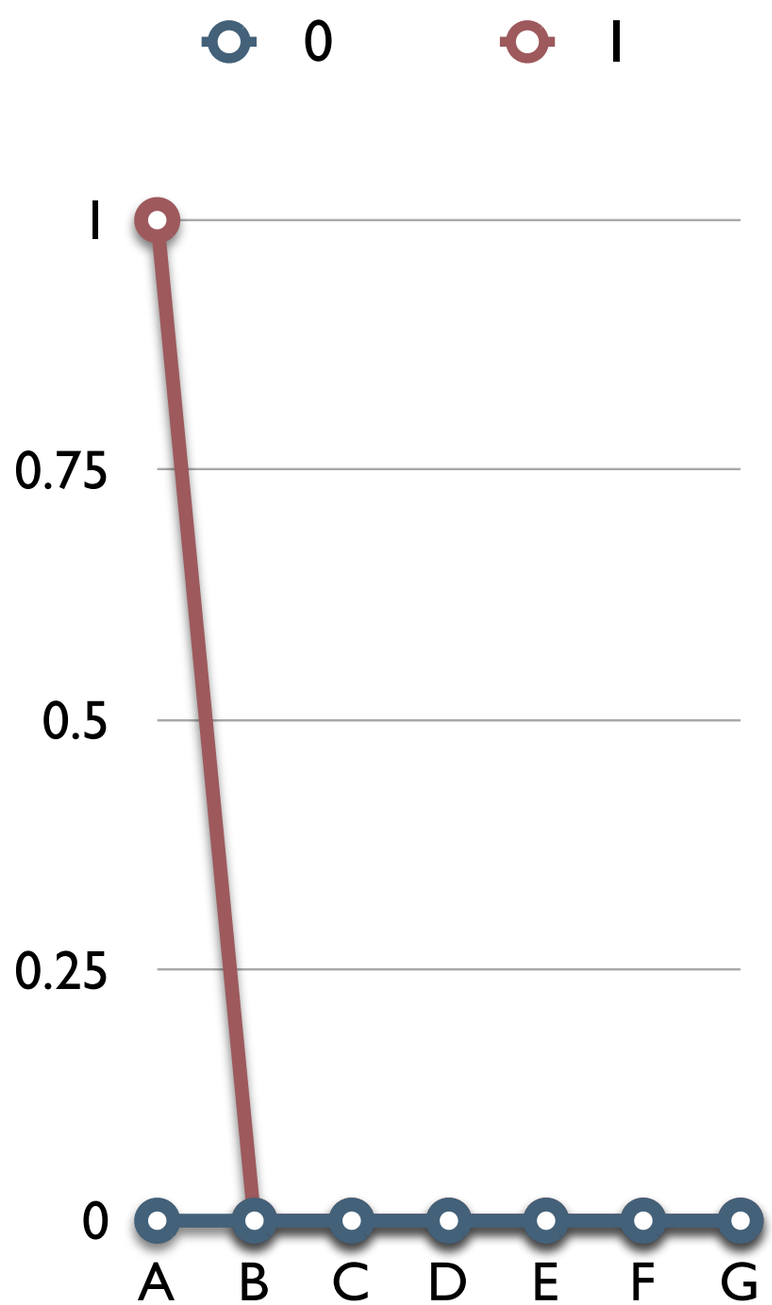

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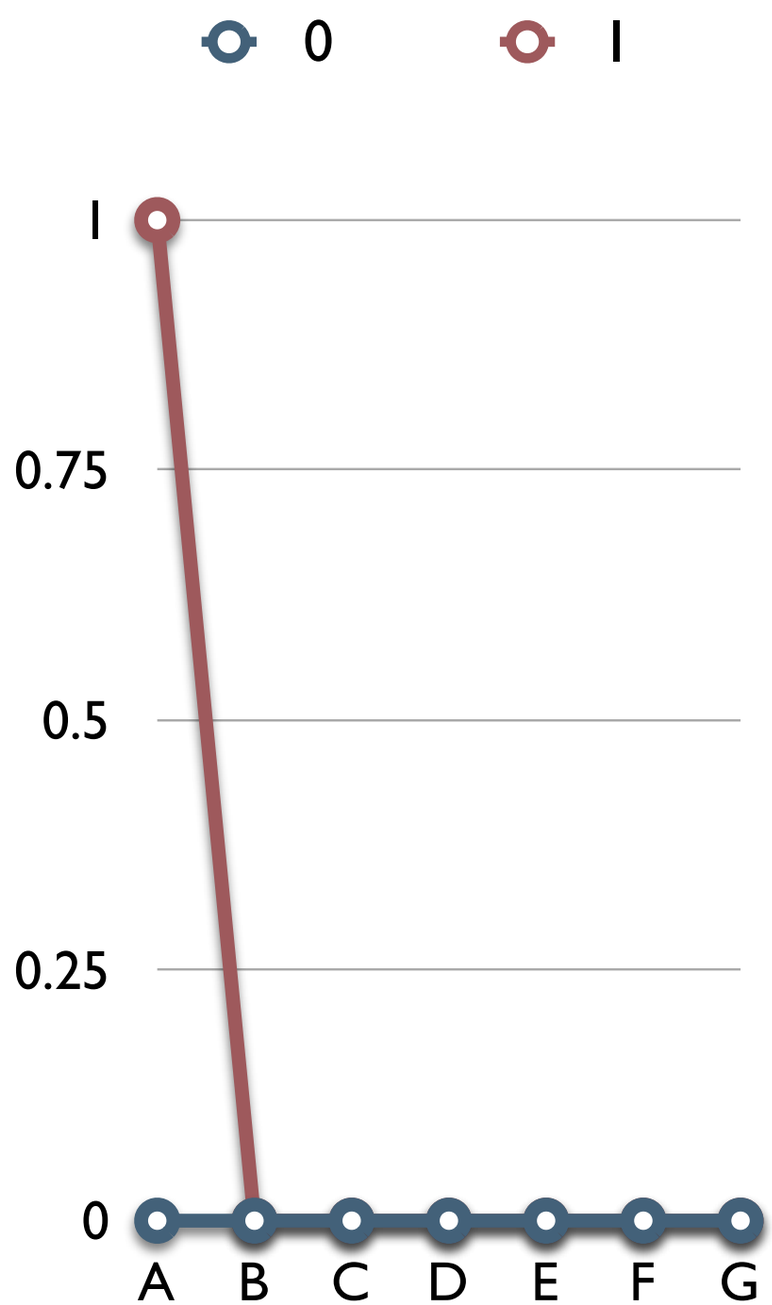
$$n_{11} = 7$$



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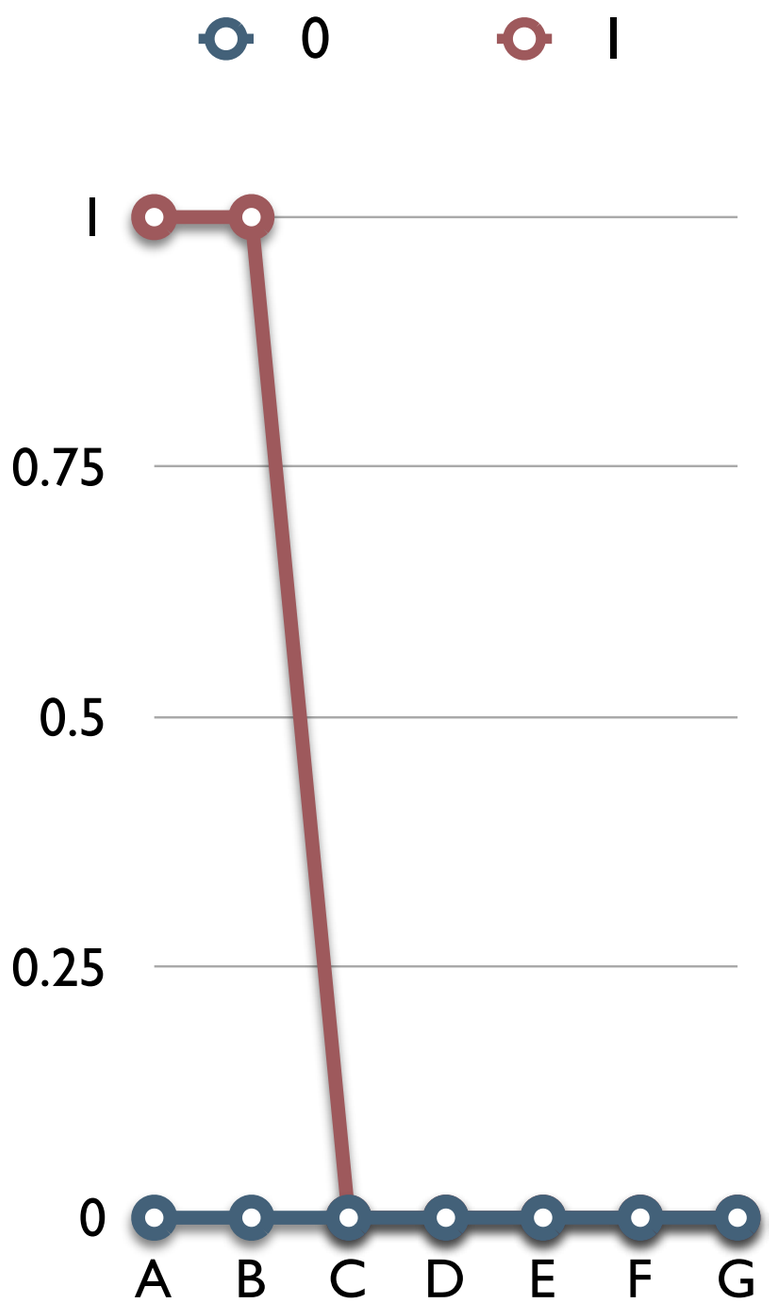
$$EHH_1(B) = \frac{\binom{7}{2}}{\binom{7}{2}} = 1$$



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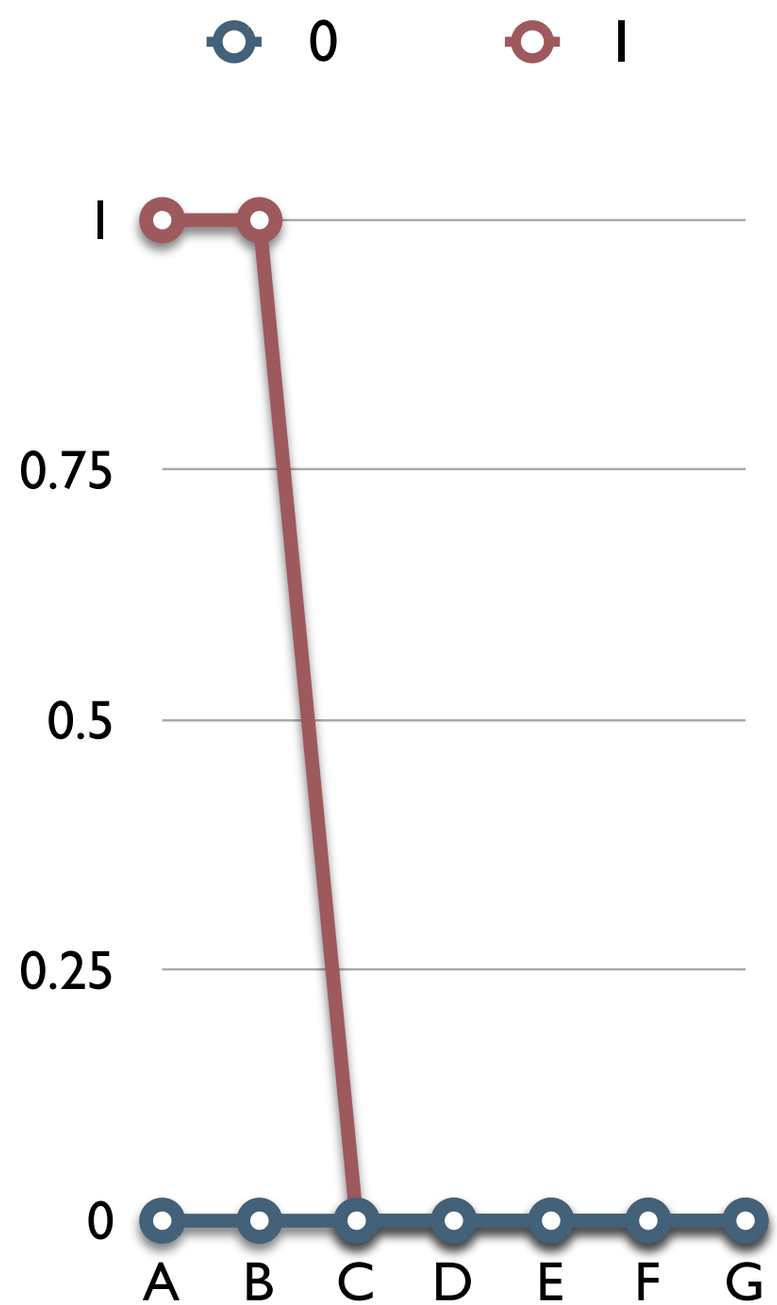

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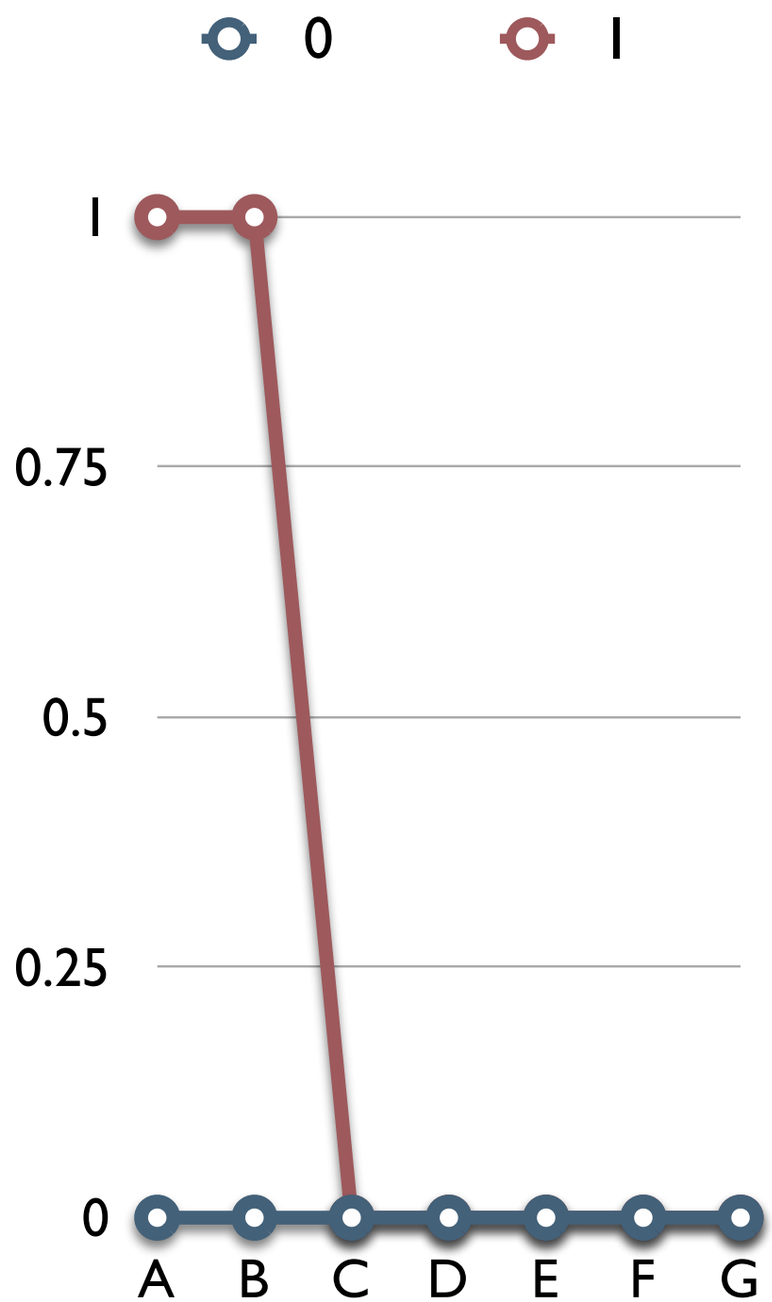

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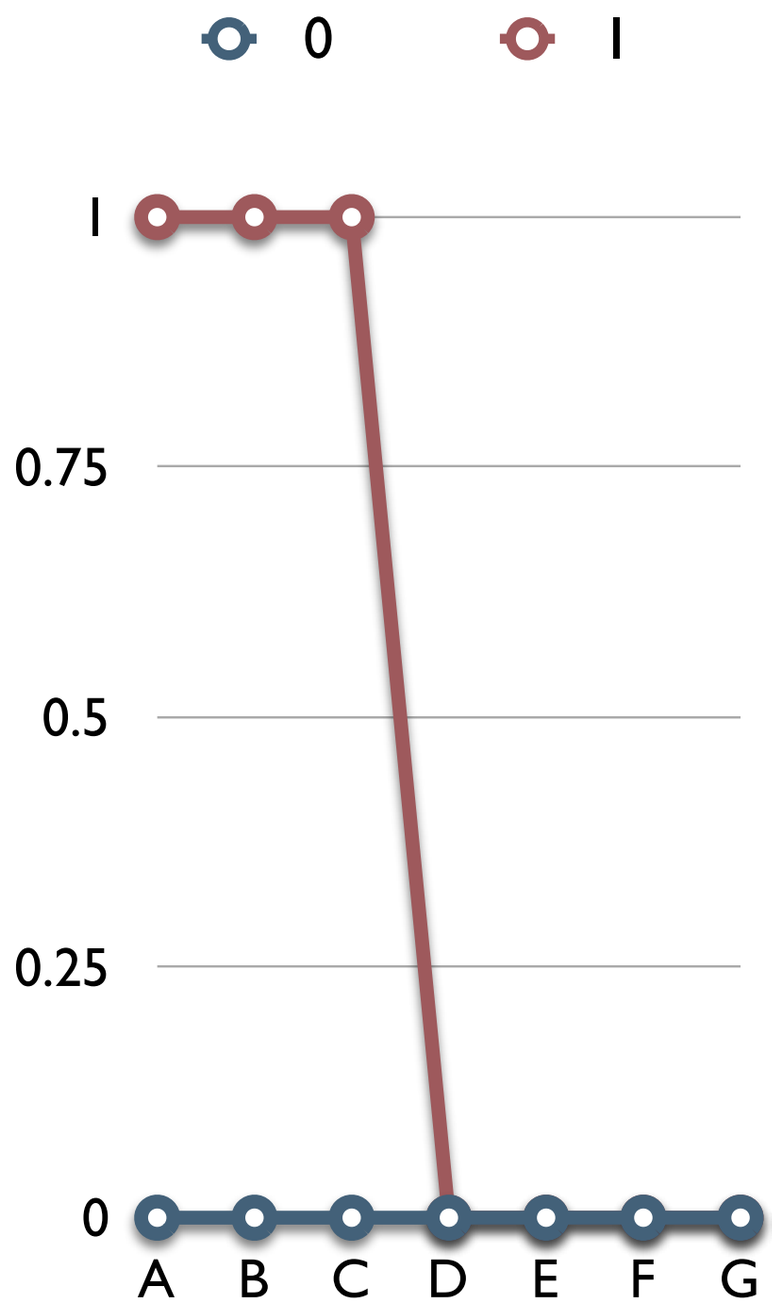

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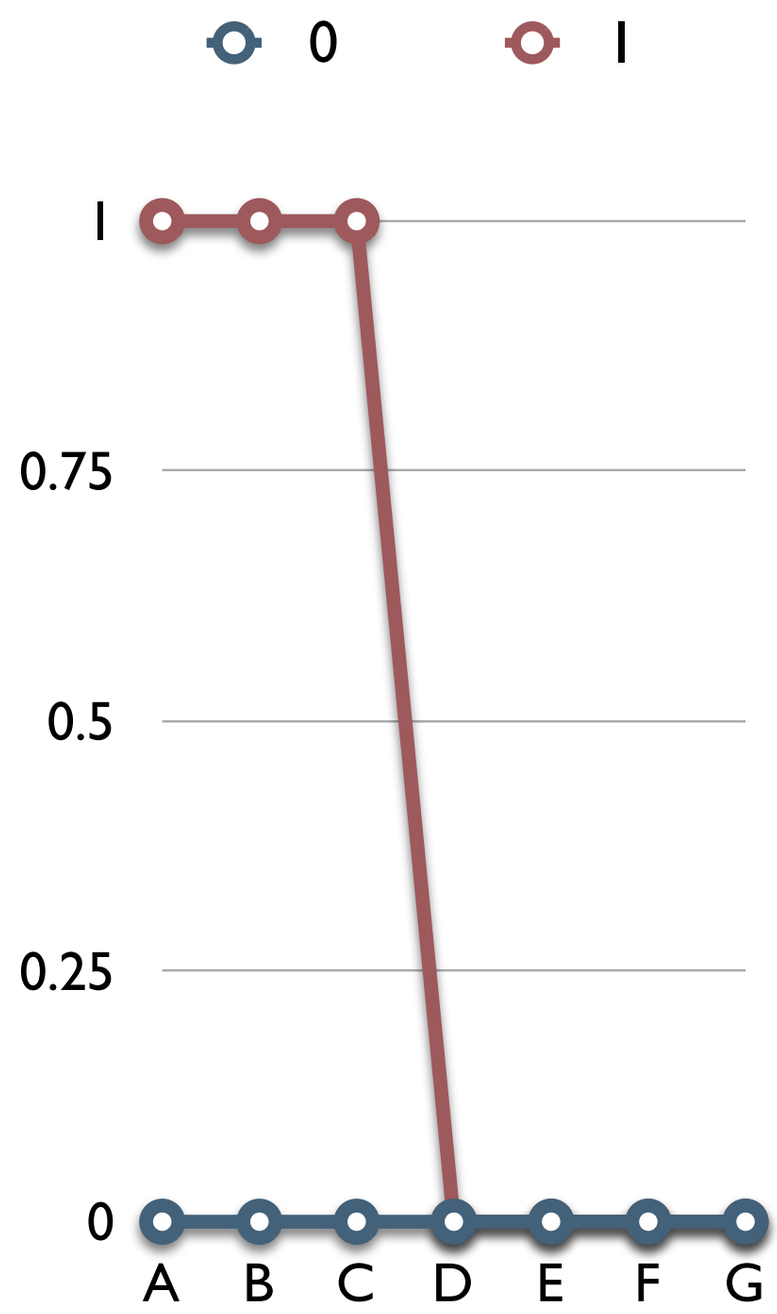

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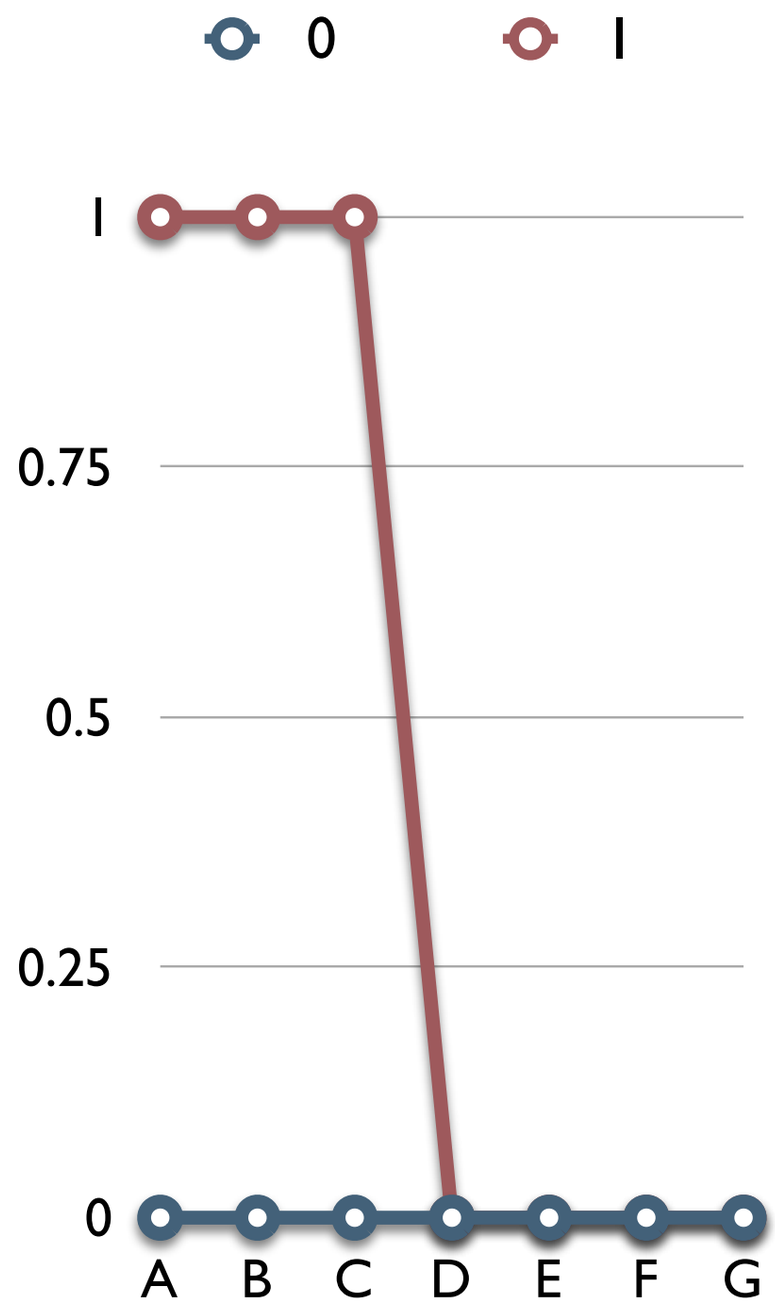
$$n_{1111} = 5$$



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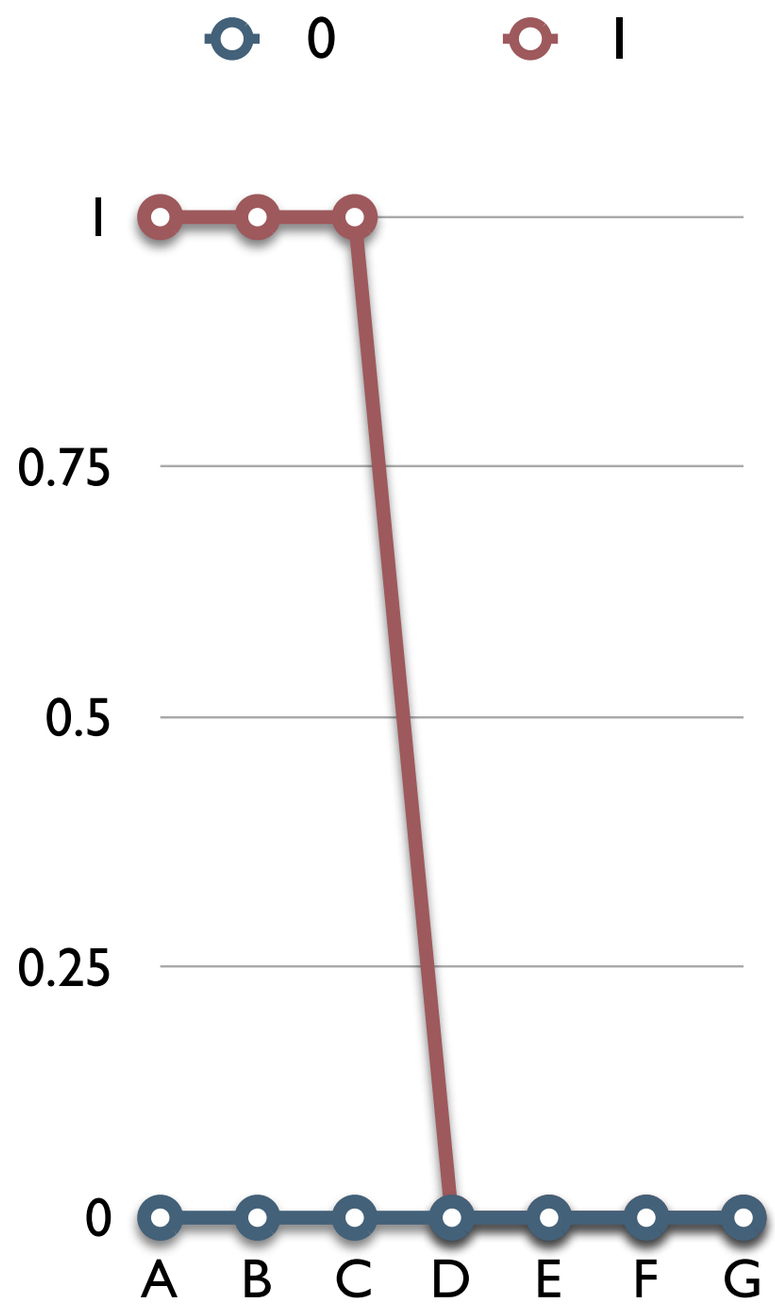
$$n_{1110} = 2$$



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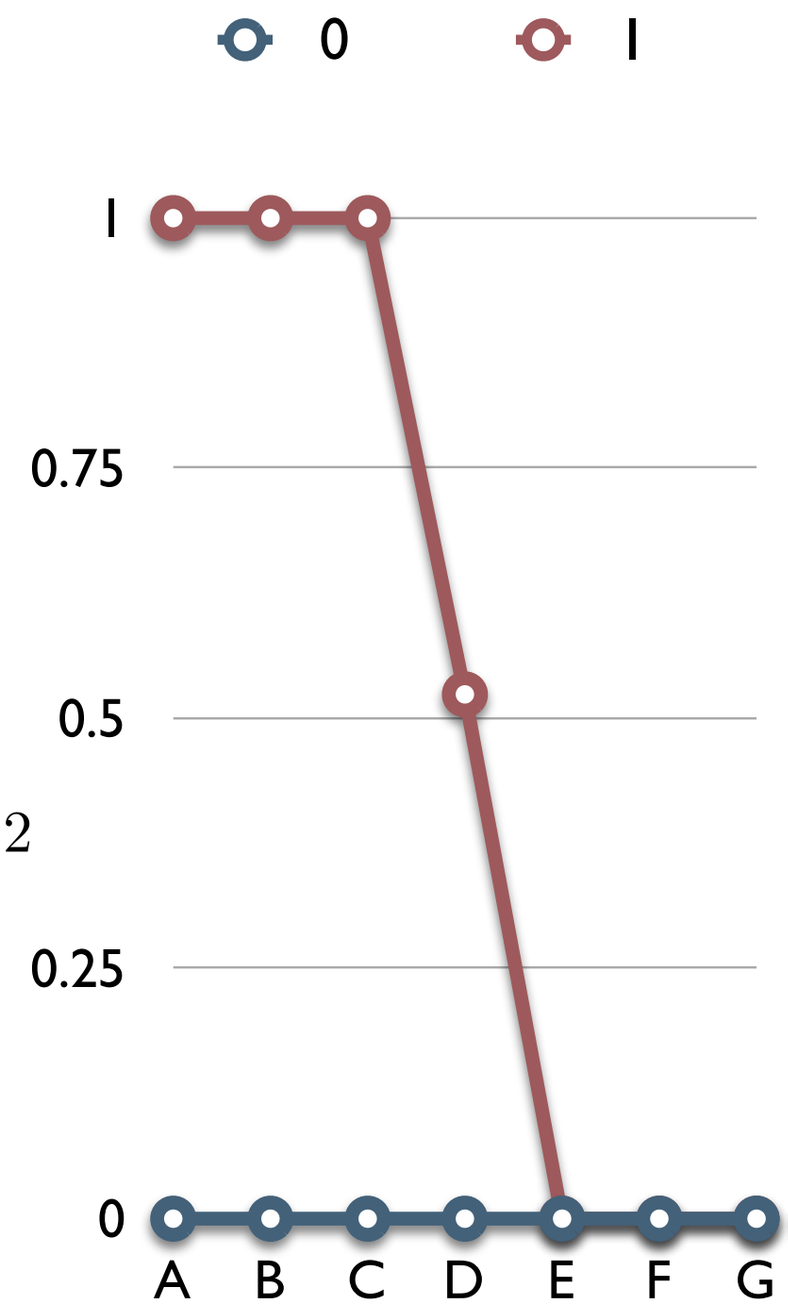

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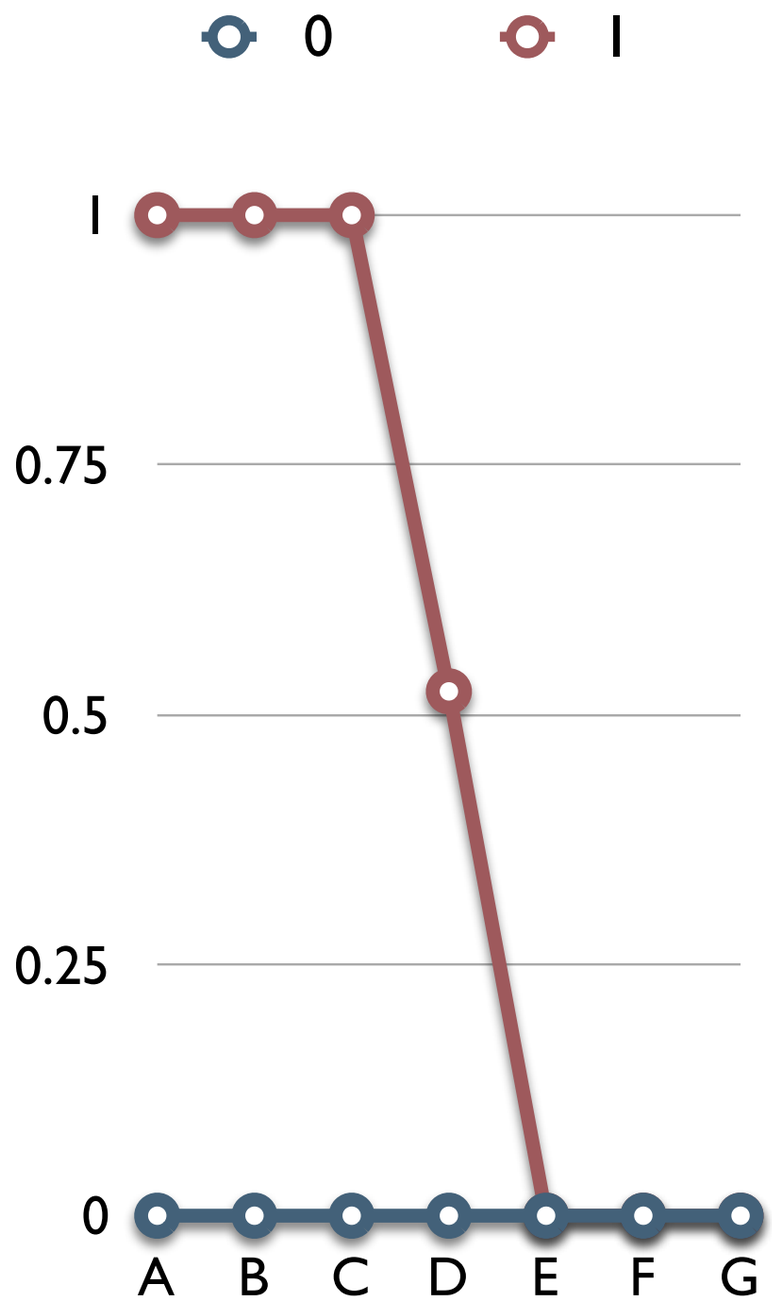

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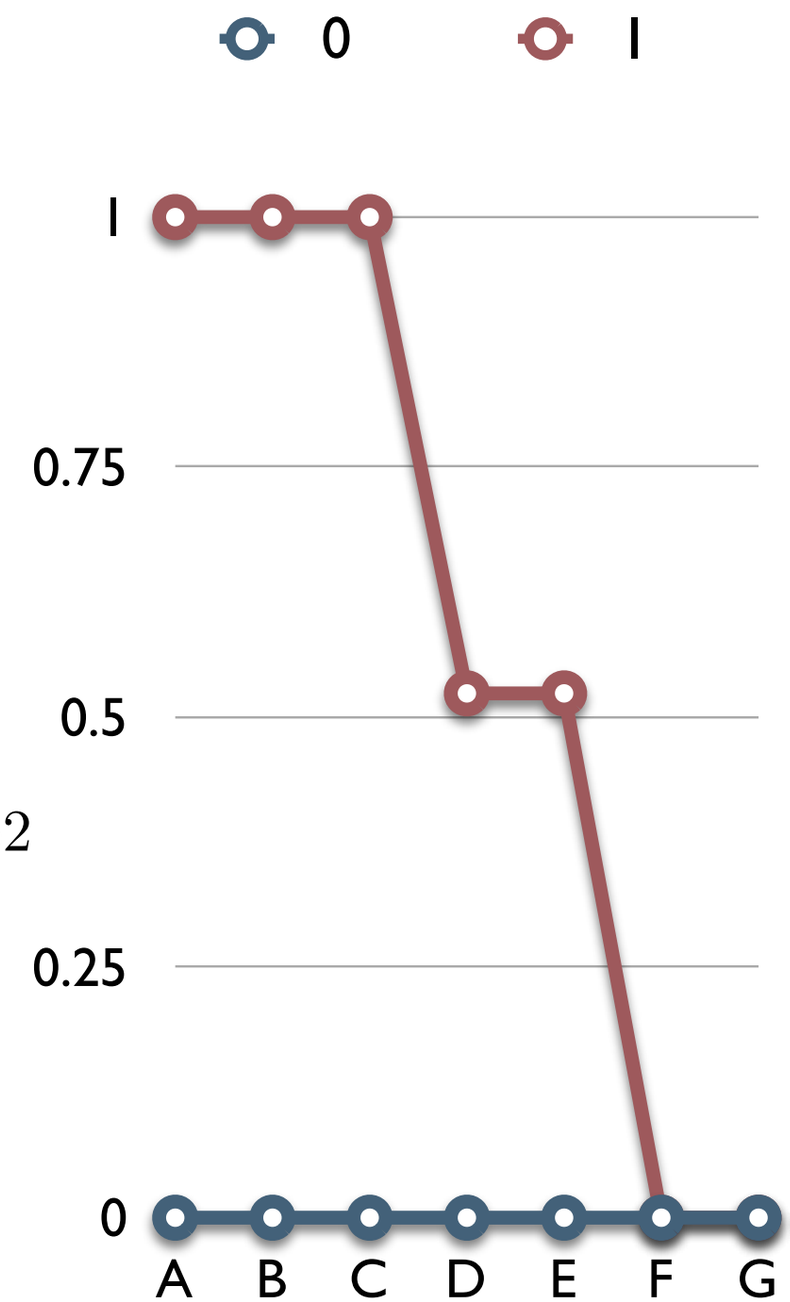

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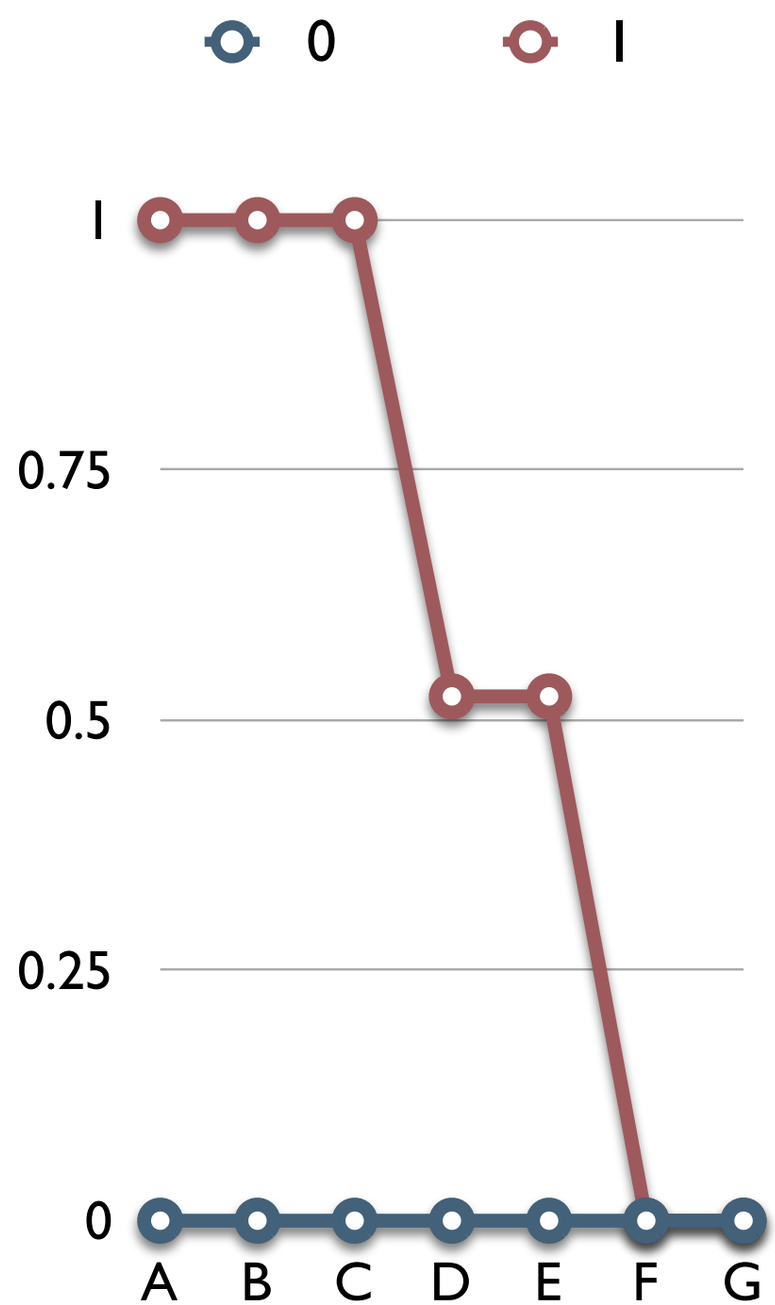
$$n_{111001} = 2$$



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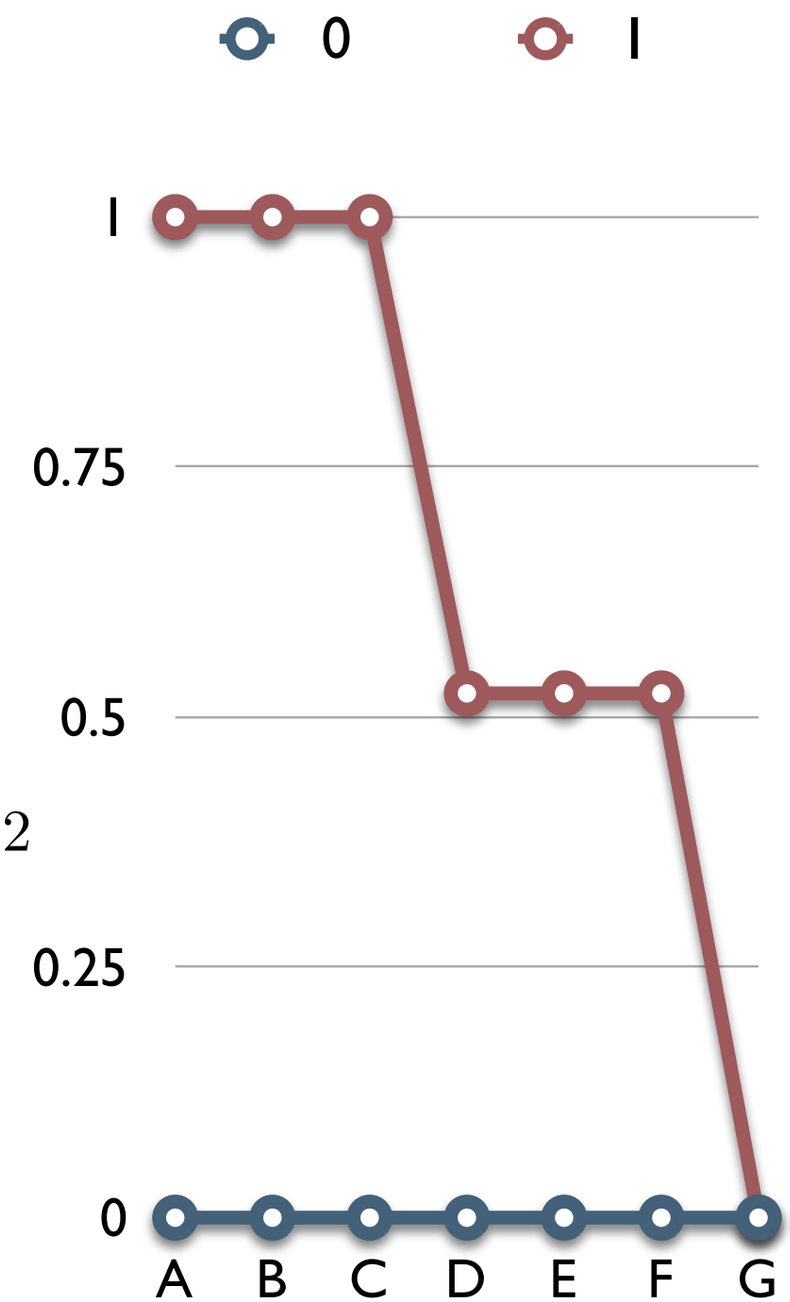
$$n_{111100} = 5$$
$$n_{111001} = 2$$

$$EHH_1(F) = \frac{\binom{5}{2}}{\binom{7}{2}} + \frac{\binom{2}{2}}{\binom{7}{2}} \approx 0.52$$



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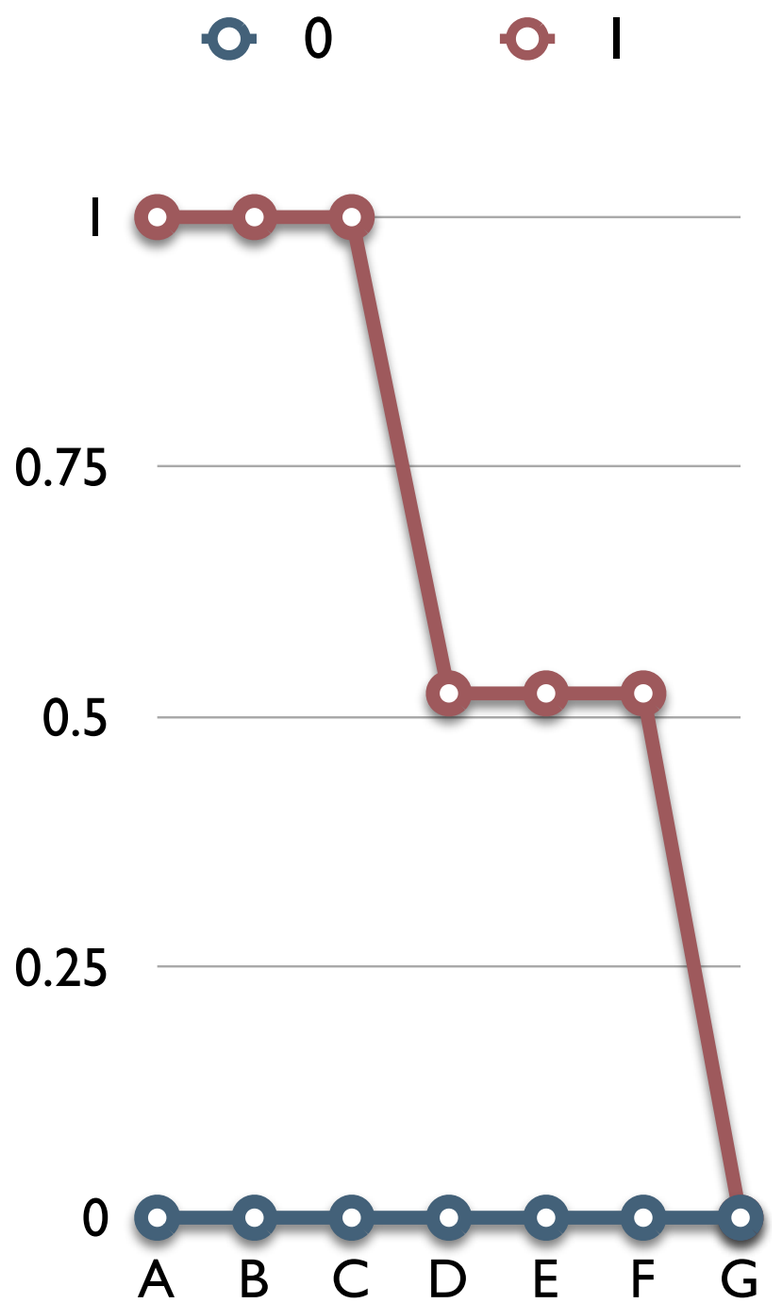
$$n_{1110011} = 2$$



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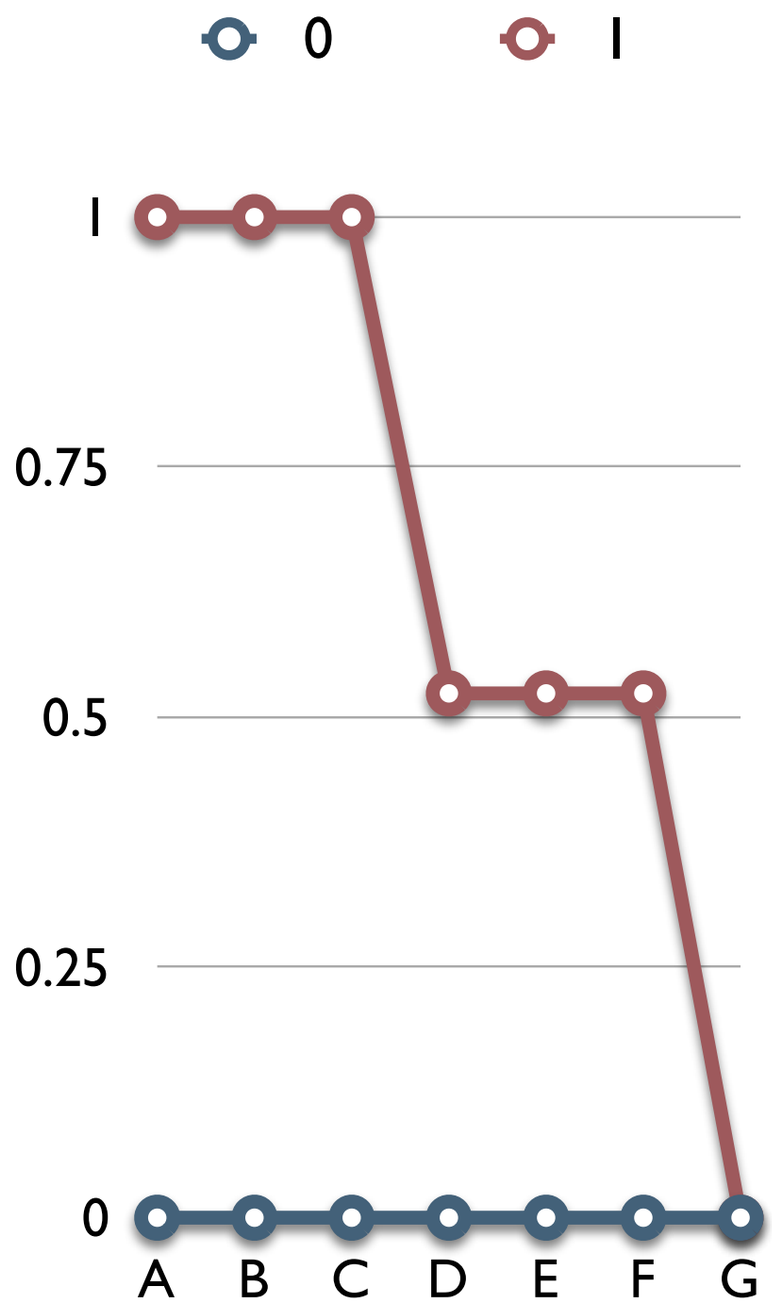

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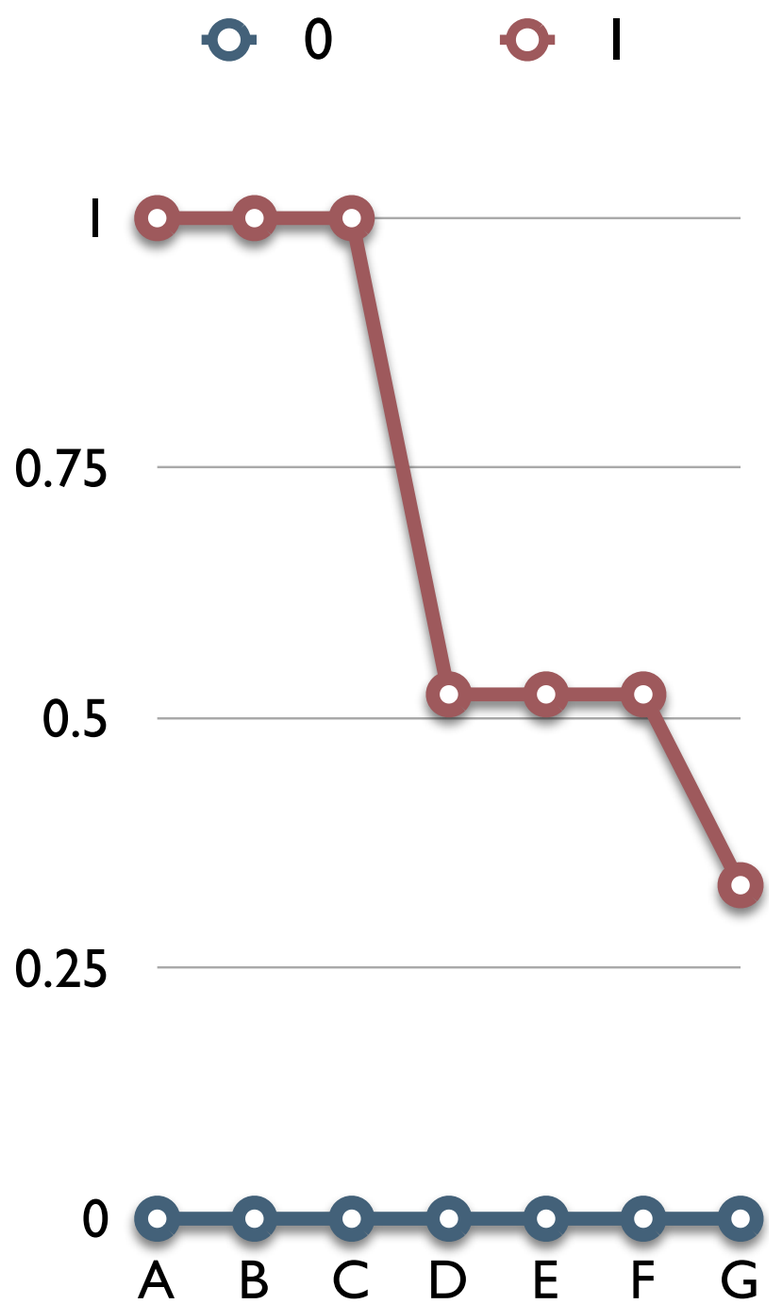
$$EHH_1(G) = \frac{\binom{4}{2}}{\binom{7}{2}} + \frac{\binom{2}{2}}{\binom{7}{2}} + \frac{\binom{1}{2}}{\binom{7}{2}} = \frac{1}{3}$$



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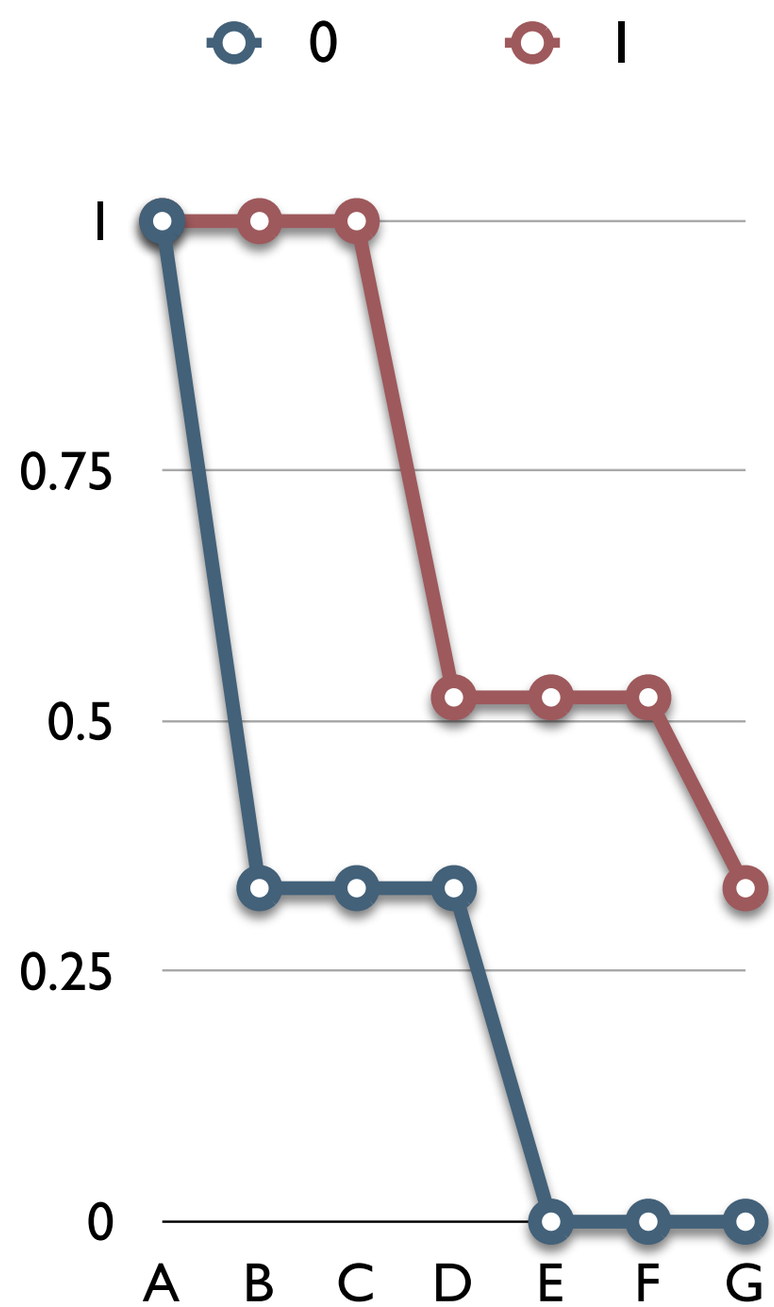
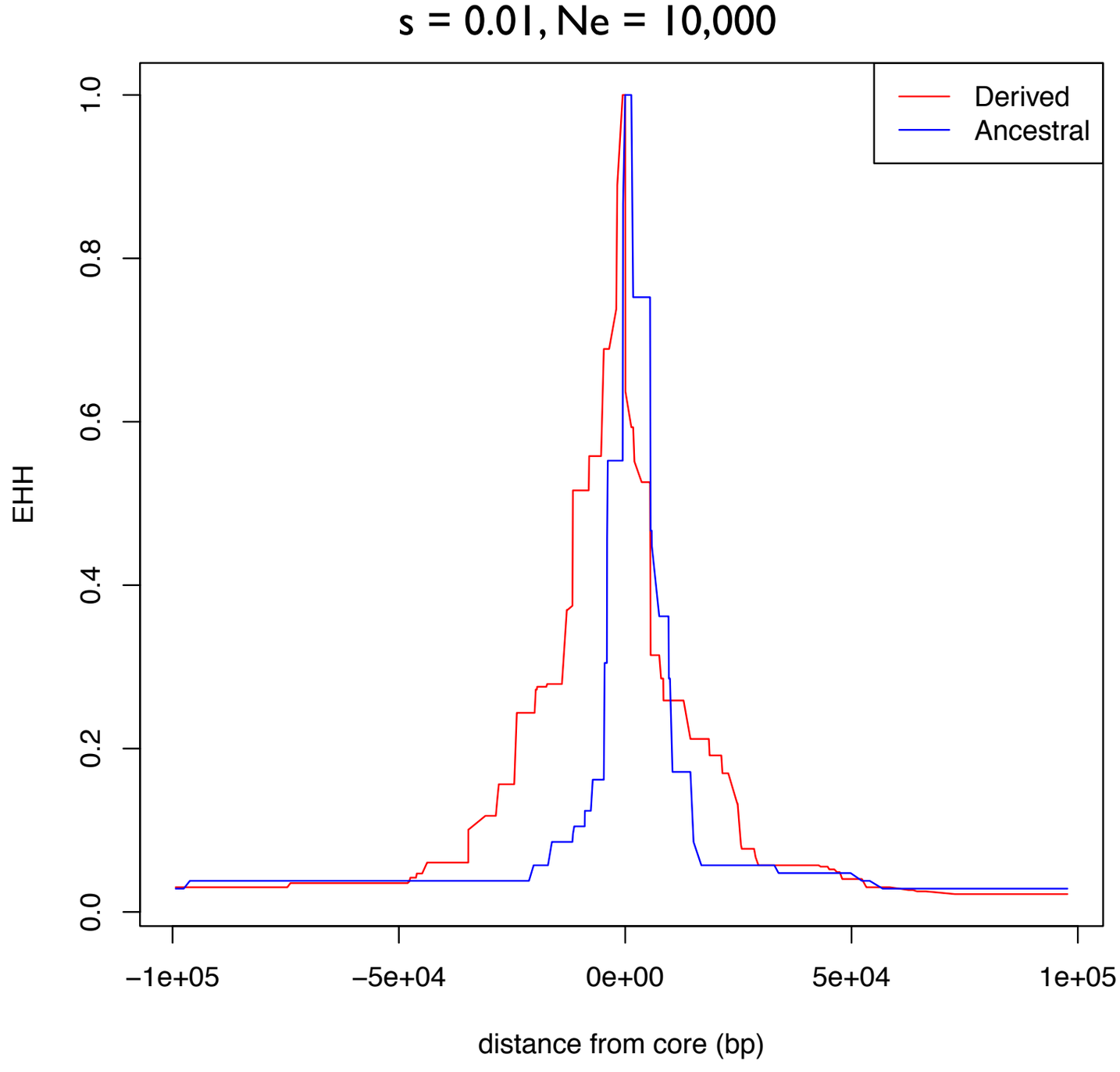
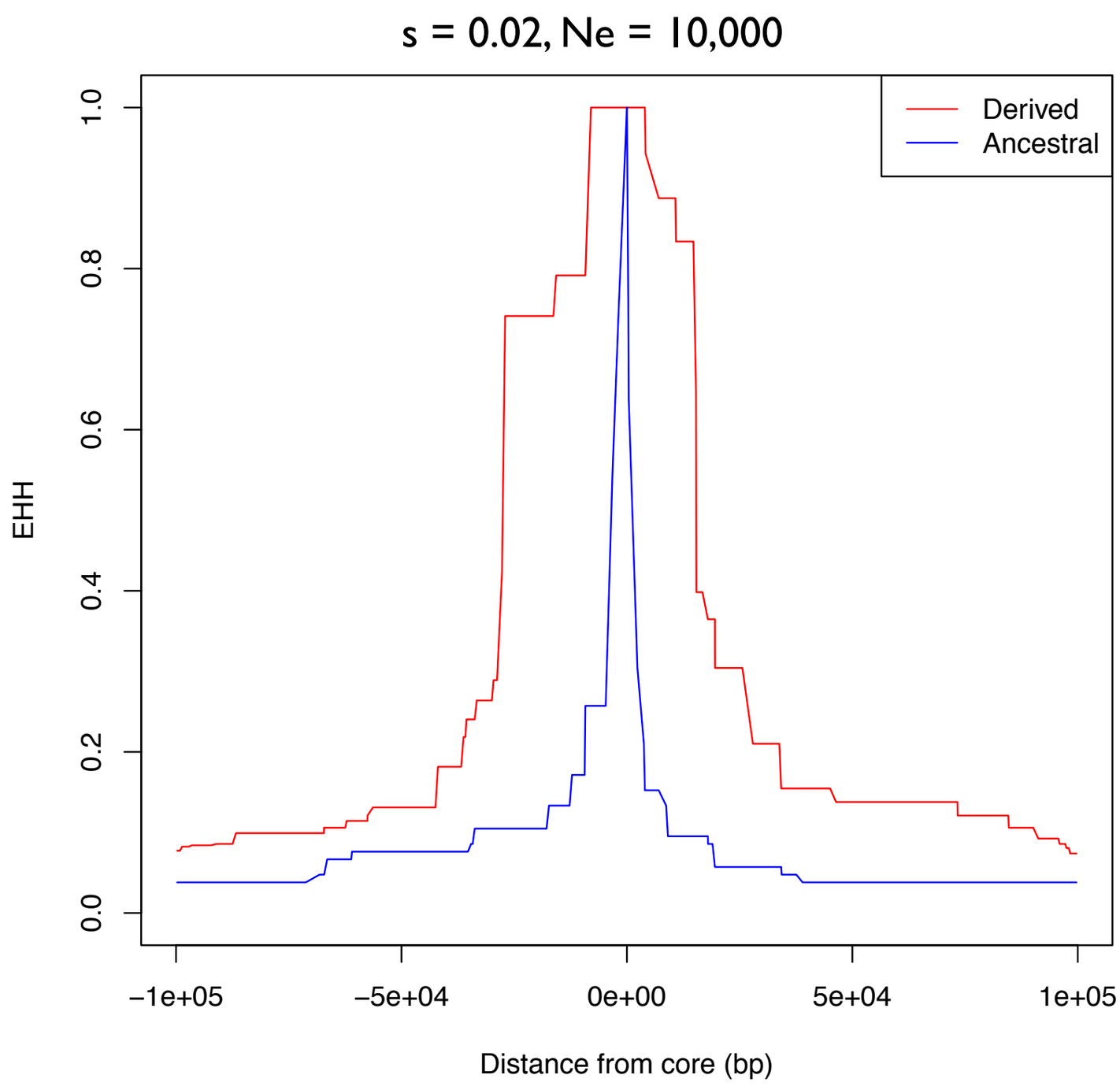


EHH


s = 0.01, Ne = 10,000
Derived
Ancestral
EHH
1.0
0.8
0.6
0.4
0.2
0.0
−1e+05
−5e+04
0e+00
5e+04
1e+05
distance from core (bp)

EHH


s = 0.02, Ne = 10,000
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Ancestral
EHH
0.0
0.2
0.4
0.6
0.8
1.0
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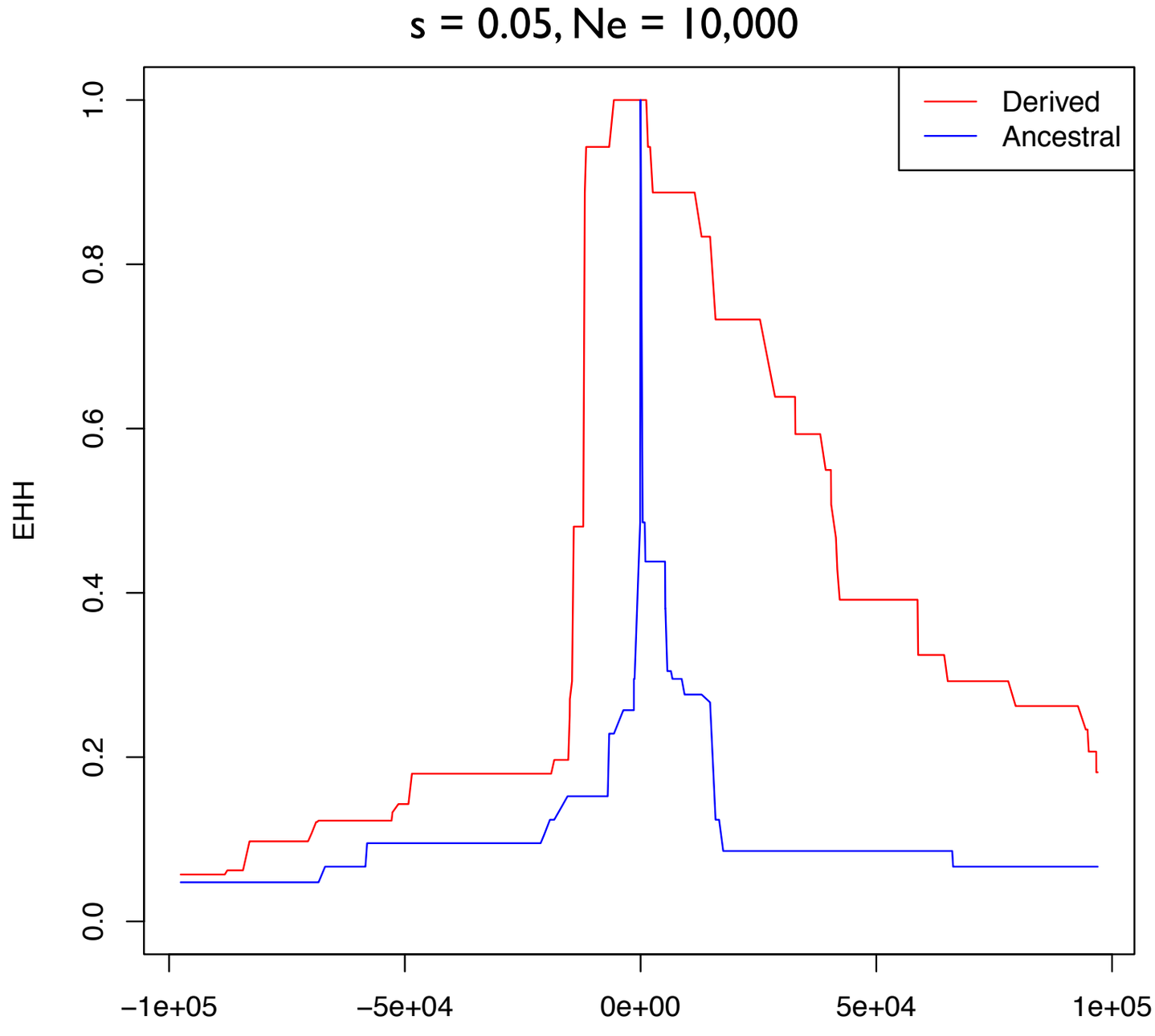
0e+00
5e+04
1e+05
Distance from core (bp)

EHH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Ancestral
EHH
1.0
0.8
0.6
0.4
0.2
0.0
−1e+05
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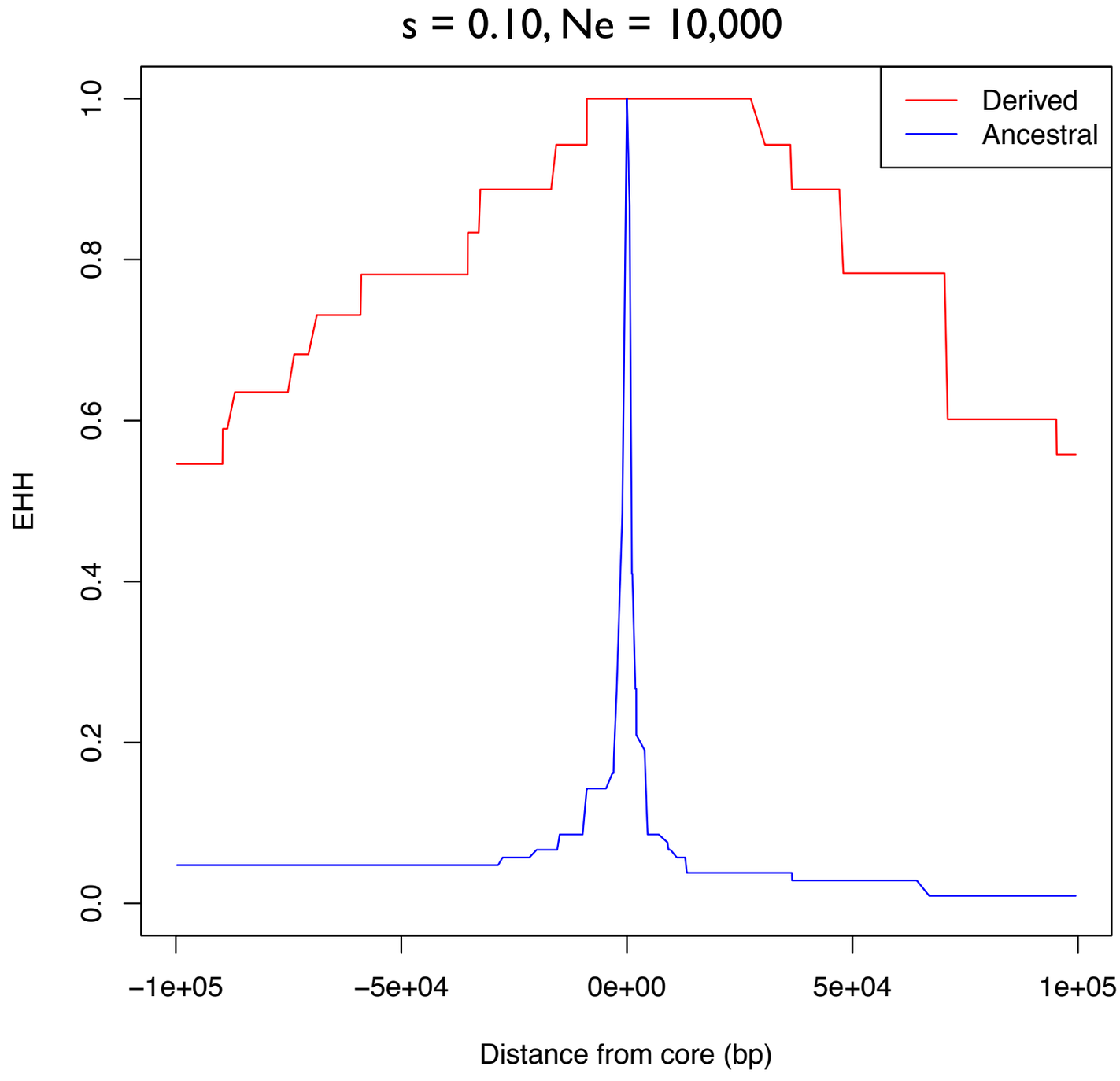
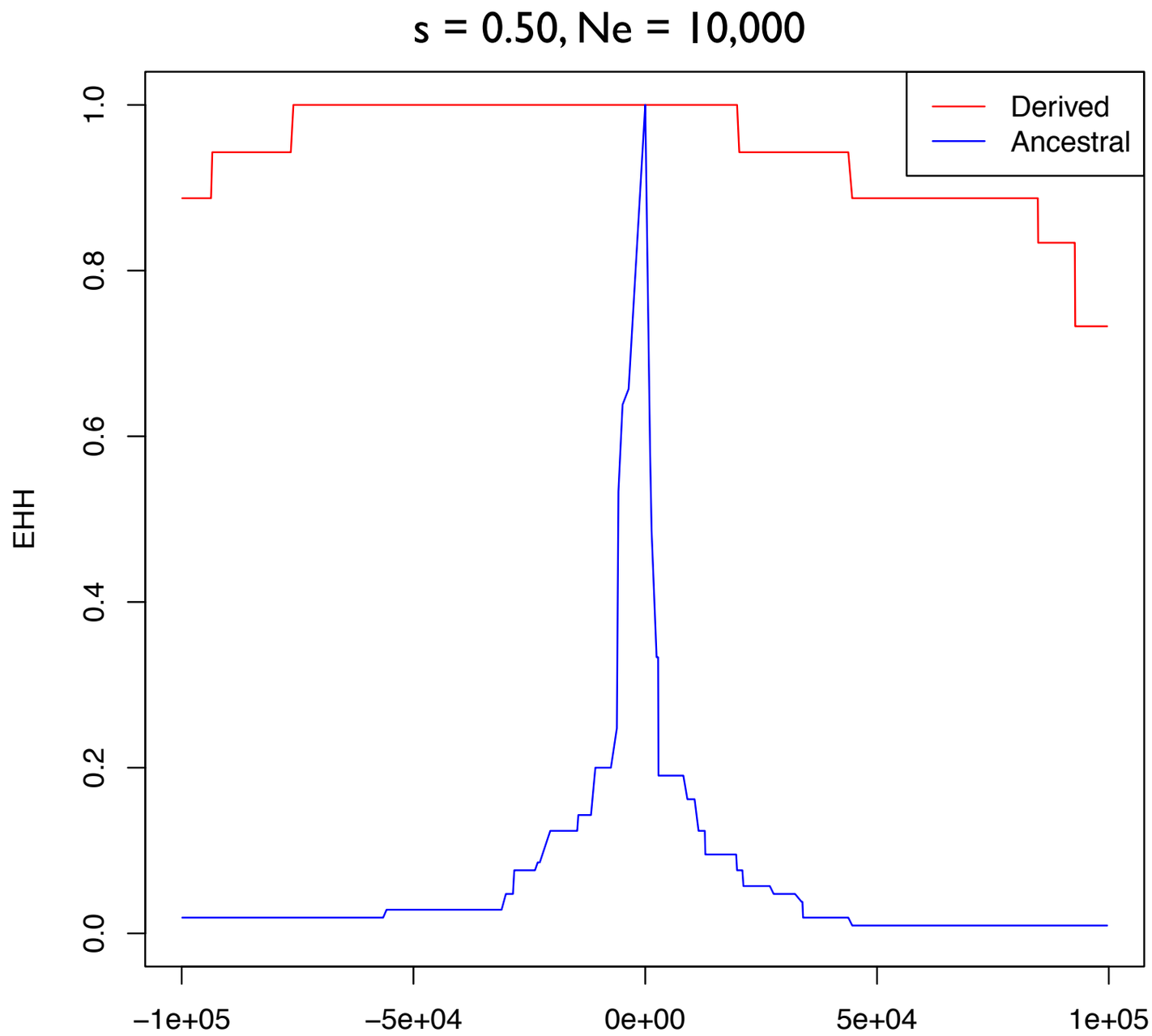
5e+04
1e+05
Distance from core (bp)

EHH


s = 0.10, Ne = 10,000
Derived
Ancestral
EHH
1.0
0.8
0.6
0.4
0.2
0.0
−1e+05
−5e+04
0e+00
5e+04
1e+05
Distance from core (bp)

EHH


s = 0.50, Ne = 10,000
Derived
Ancestral
EHH
1.0
0.8
0.6
0.4
0.2
0.0
−1e+05
−5e+04
0e+00
5e+04
1e+05
Distance from core (bp)

EHH

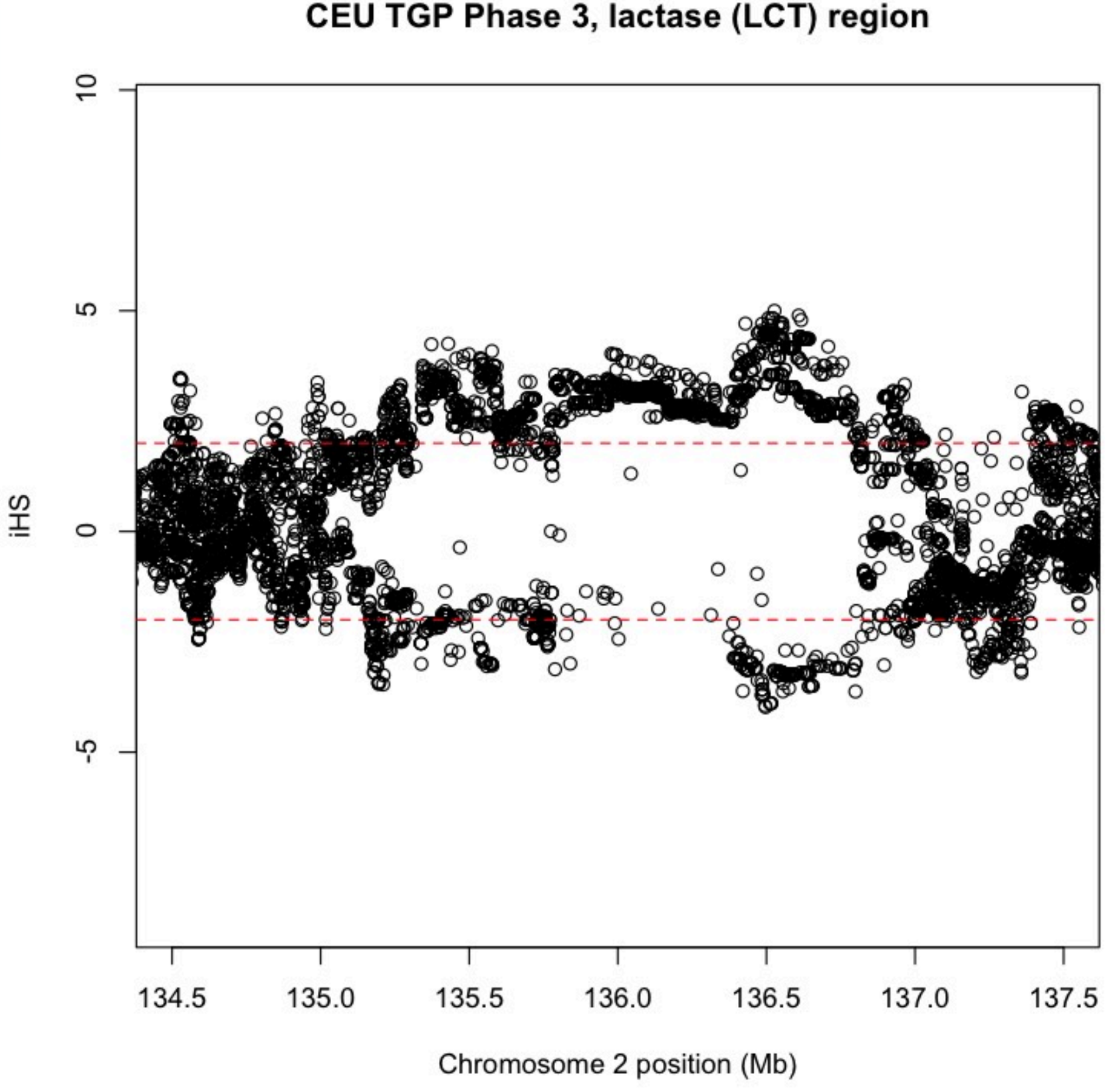
- When querying a specific region of the genome, for each core haplotype, calculate EHH for successively longer surrounding haplotypes.
- Statistical significance is determined by comparing EHH scores to neutral simulations and random control regions of the genome.

Genome-wide scans

- The EHH approach does not lend itself to a genome-wide scan.

- Voight, et al. (2006) create a genome-wide scan statistic based on EHH called integrated Haplotype Score (iHS).

Voight, et al. (2006) *PLoS Biology*


CEU TGP Phase 3, lactase (LCT) region
iHS
10
5
0
-5
134.5
135.0
135.5
136.0
136.5
137.0
137.5
Chromosome 2 position (Mb)

Caveats

- Power may be overstated.
  - If a large proportion of the genome is non-neutral, we lose power to detect the weakest selected variants because of genome-wide normalization.
- iHS no formal test to decide significance.
  - Take top 1% of signals
- XP-EHH more sensitive to demographics
  - i.e. comparing populations with serial bottlenecks separating them
- Important to combine *multiple lines* of evidence!

Running `selscan`: iHS

- Let's give iHS a go!
- Let's consider the LCT gene.
- Make sure you have downloaded and unzipped the ComputationalResources.zip file (e.g. to your Desktop)
- Unzip selscan.zip
- `selscan` also available: https://github.com/szpiech/selscan.

selscan

- Open Rstudio or your terminal/command prompt!
- Change to the new `selscan` directory
- For example:
    - `cd ~/Desktop/ComputationalResources/selscan/`
- There should 4 subdirectories:
    - ```
      rhernandez$ ls
      data linux osx win
      ```
- Change Directory to where the data are:
    - `cd data`
      ```

selscan

- All the commands we are running can be found in the selscan_CMD.txt file.
- Copy the appropriate executable to the data directory:
- **osx:**
    - `cp ../osx/selscan .`
- **linux:**
    - `cp ../linux/selscan .`
- **Windows:**
    - `copy ..\win\selscan.exe .`

selscan

- Test that it works:
    - **osx/linux:** `./selscan` (**Win:** `selscan.exe`)

```
selscan v1.1.0b
ERROR: Must specify one and only one of
EHH (—ehh)
iHS (--ihs)
XP-EHH (--xpehh)
PI (--pi)
nSL (--nsl)
```

selscan

- iHS requires 2 files, a **map** file and a **hap** file.
  - `--map <string>: A mapfile with one row per variant site.`
    - `Formatted with 4 columns:`
      - `<chr#> <locusID> <genetic pos> <physical pos>`
  - `--hap <string>: A hapfile with one row per haplotype, and one column per variant. Variants should be coded 0/1.`

selscan

- Now run it!
  - All in one line type:
    - `./selscan` (Win: `selscan.exe`)

```
                --ihs
                --map CEU.chr2.map
                --hap CEU.chr2.ihshap
                --out CEU.chr2
selscan v1.1.0b
Opening ../data/CEU.chr2.hap...
Loading 224 haplotypes and 1971 loci...
Opening ../data/CEU.chr2.map...
Loading map data for 1971 loci
--skip-low-freq set. Removing all variants < 0.05.
Removed 359 low frequency variants.
Starting iHS calculations with alt flag not set.
|=================================>                |
```

Normalize

- All in one line type:
  - `./norm`

```
--ihs
--files CEU.chr2.ihs.out bg.ihs.out
```

```
norm v1.1.0aYou have provided 2 output files for joint
normalization.
Opened ../data/CEU.chr2.ihs.out
Opened ../data/bg.ihs.out

Total loci: 666285
Reading all frequency and iHS data.
Calculating mean and variance per frequency bin:
```

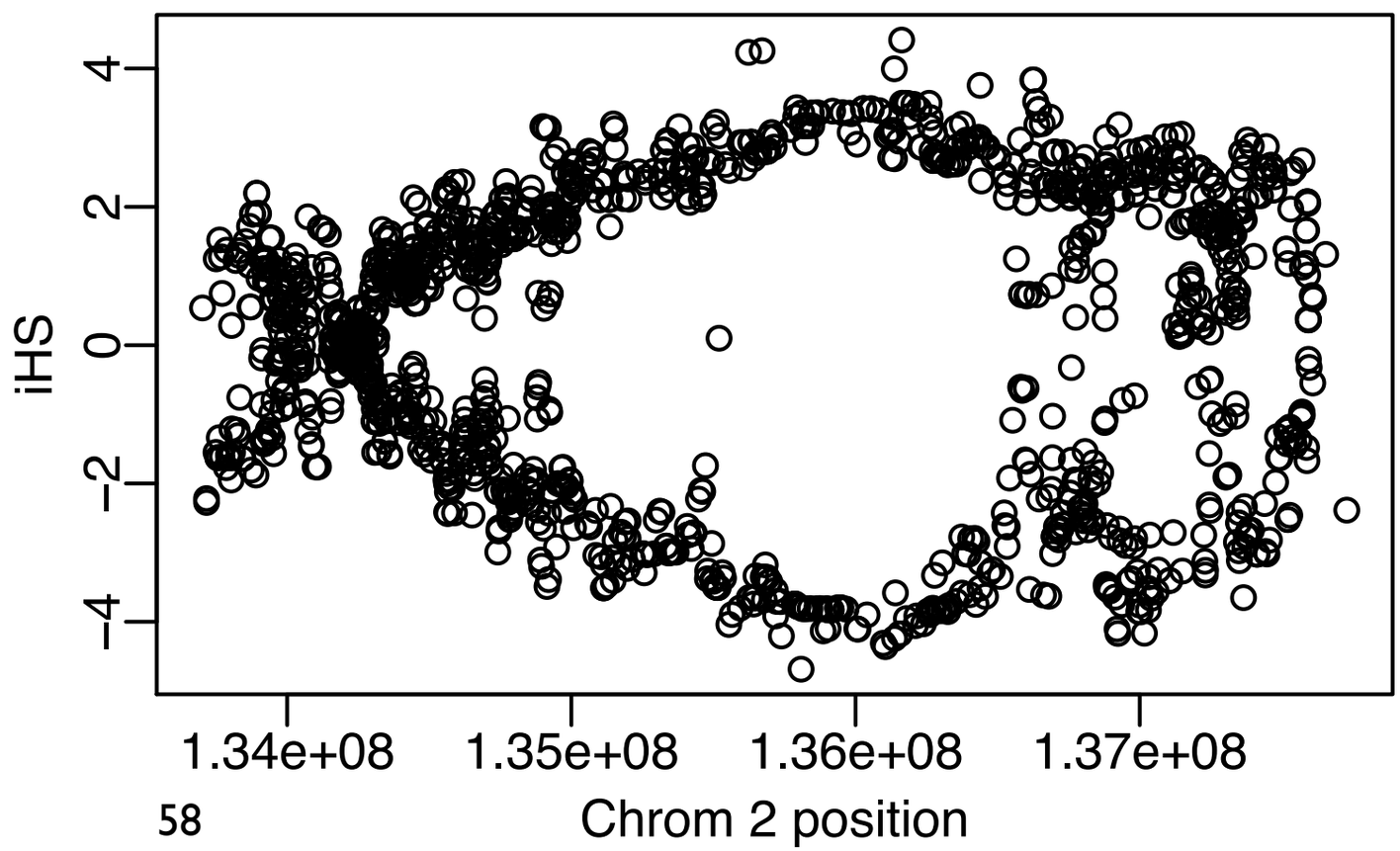
iHS

- Now let's plot it!
- Click on the R console in Rstudio (or open R)
- Read in data for CEU:

```
setwd("cd ~/Desktop/selscan/data“)

CEU=read.table(“CEU.chr2.ihs.out.100bins.norm”)

plot(CEU[,2], CEU[,7])
```



iHS

- Often analyze absolute value, and smooth it out.
- My preferred method for smoothing is using loess

```
SP=0.2 #this is the span, a parameter you can change (higher = more
smoothing)

CEU.x=CEU[,2]; #the x-coordinates in Mb

y=abs(CEU[,7]) #iHS is actually the absolute value

CEU.loess=loess(y~CEU.x,span=SP,data.frame(x=CEU.x,y=y)); #step 1

CEU.predict=predict(CEU.loess,data.frame(x=CEU.x)); #step 2

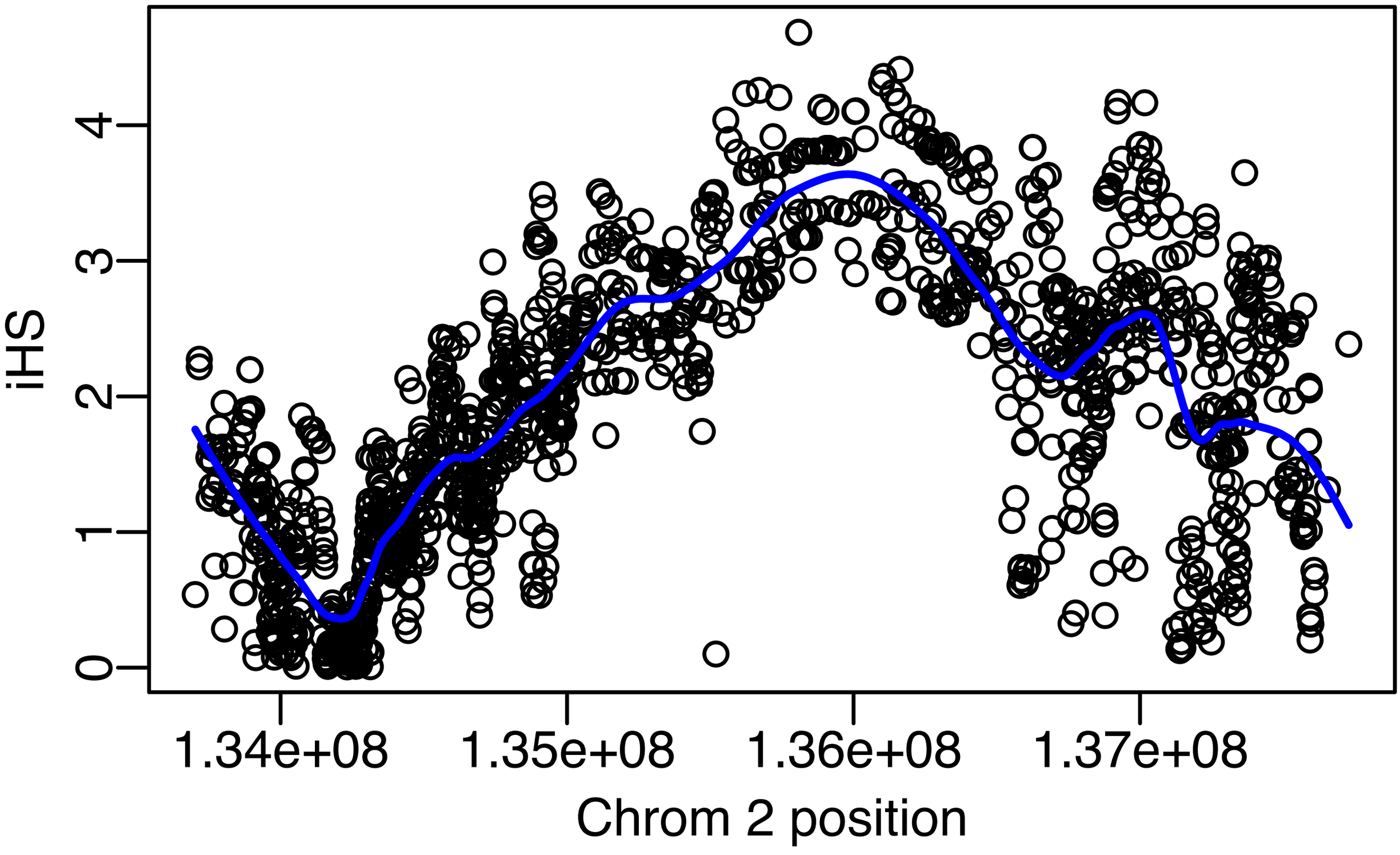

plot(CEU[,2], abs(CEU[,7]))

lines(CEU.x, CEU.predict, lwd=2, col='blue')
```

Breakout Groups!!
Running iHS with `selscan`

- Open up your command prompt (i.e., rev your engines)
- Let's give iHS a go!
- Let's consider the LCT gene.
- Follow commands in selscan_CMD.txt
    - You will need `selscan.zip`
    - In terminal run:
        - `selscan` …
        - `norm` …
    - Plot it in R!

iHS



Other populations??

- Now run selscan on the YRI population
- YRI is a sample of individuals from Yoruba, Nigeria, where they do not have a long tradition of domesticating cows.
- Update the selscan commands by replacing "CEU" with "YRI"
- Breakout Groups!!

Do you think there is selection in this region in the YRI population?

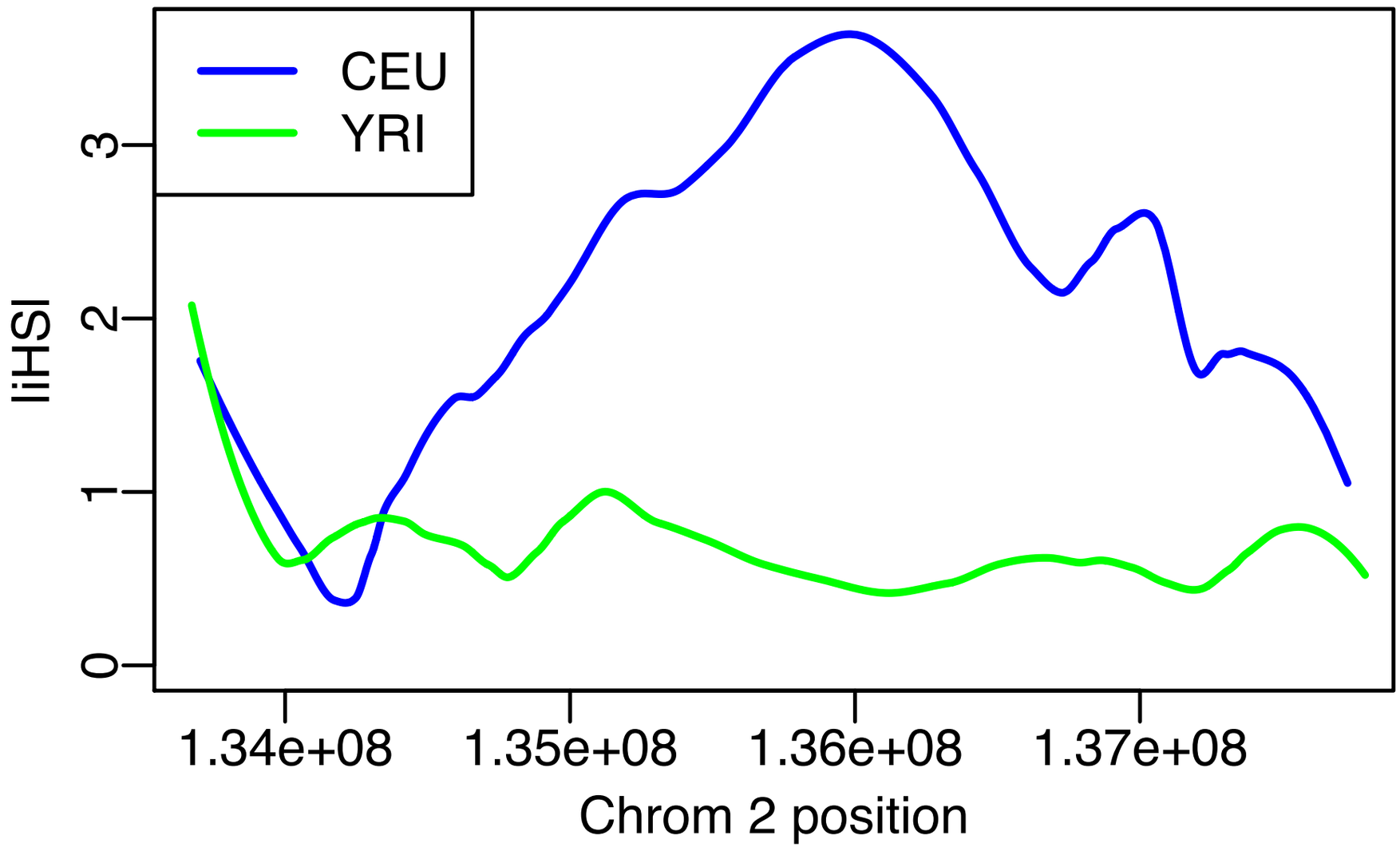
Yes!

No!

Unclear...

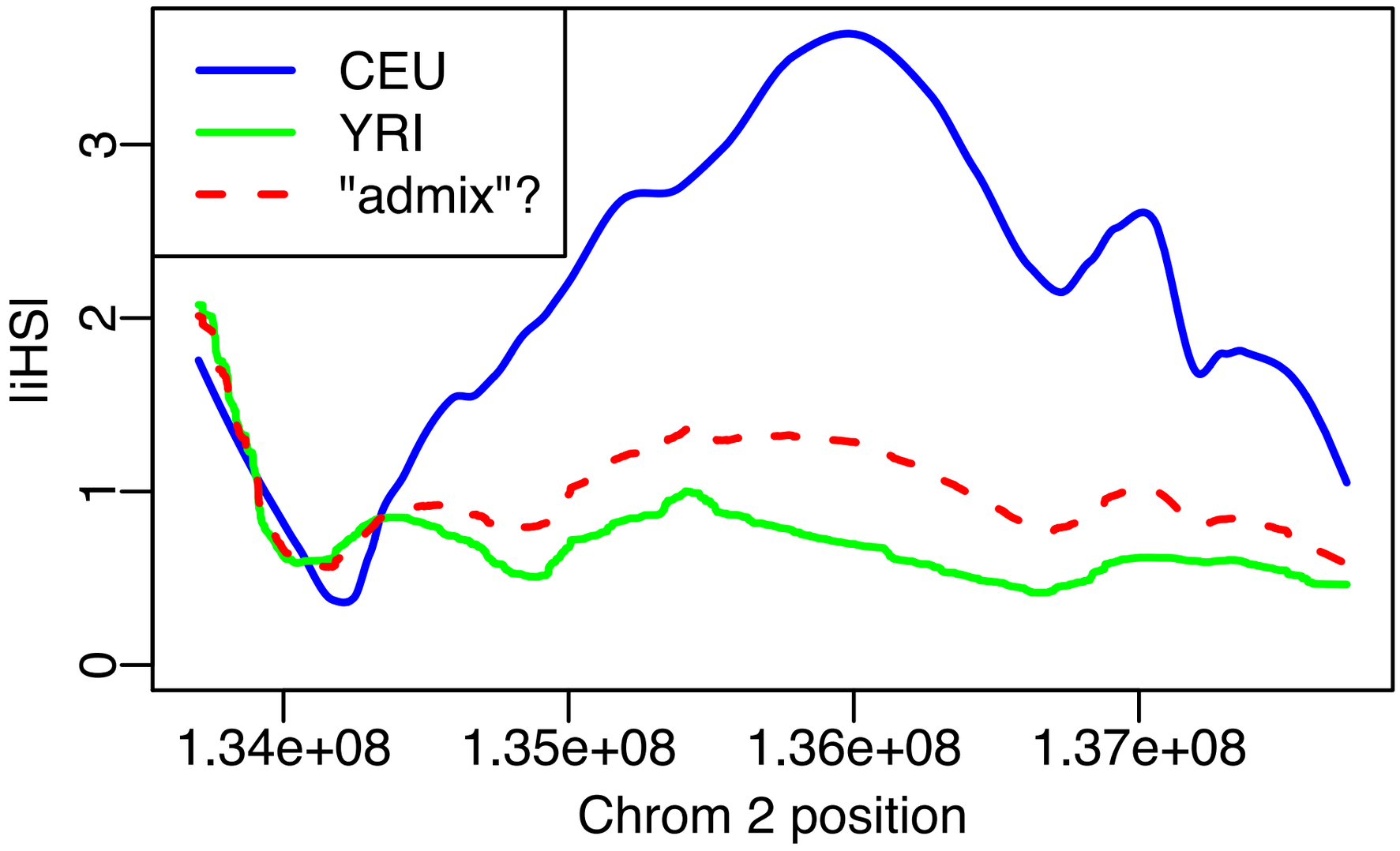
Other populations??

- "CEU" vs "YRI"



What about admixture?

- African American genomes contain admixture with African ancestry (~80%) and European ancestry (~20%).
- ASW is one sample of African Americans (from the Southwest)
- One guess might be that it should be intermediate



Do you think the African American samples will exhibit a signature of selection in this locus?

Yes!

No!

Unclear...

Other populations??

- Now run selscan on the ASW population
- Update the selscan command by replacing "CEU" with "ASW"
- Breakout groups!!

Do you think there is selection in this region in the ASW population?

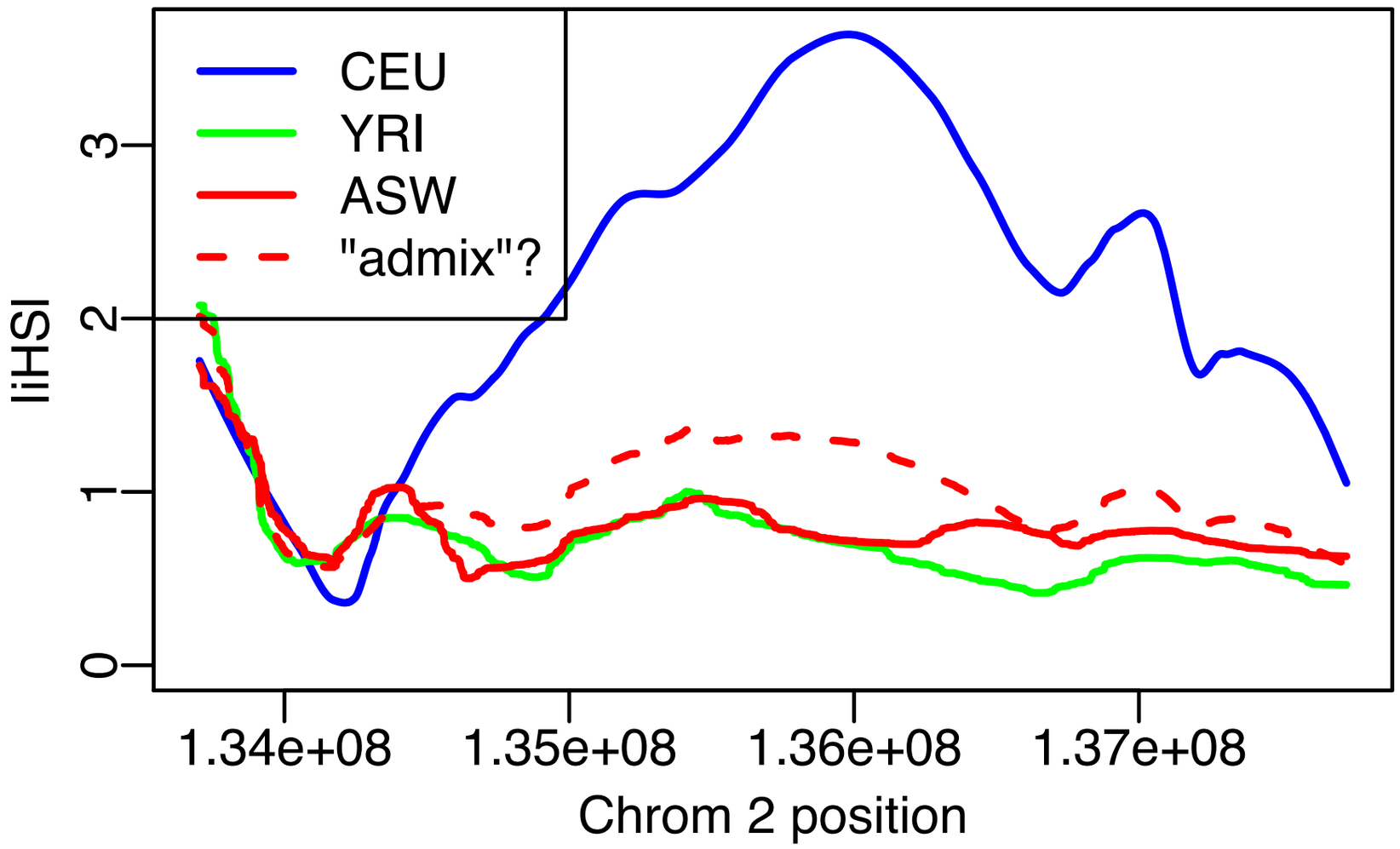
Yes!

No!

Unclear...

Other populations??

- Now run selscan on the ASW population
- Update the selscan command by replacing "CEU" with "ASW"
- In these data, ASW is much more similar to YRI than "expected".



Summary

- iHS is one example of a statistic geared toward detecting a "classic sweep".
- It is based on the idea that a new mutation has been selected, and quickly spread through the population.
- selscan is one piece of software that can run many different selection statistics in an efficient manner.