

Evolution 6

Evolution is a process that results in heritable changes in population spread over many generations leading to diversity on earth.

The study of history of life forms is called Evolutionary Biology.

Origin of Universe -

1. Universe - is the collection of clusters of galaxies. Galaxies contain stars and clouds of gas and dust.

- Universe is very vast, earth is only speck of it.
- It is almost 20 Billion year old.

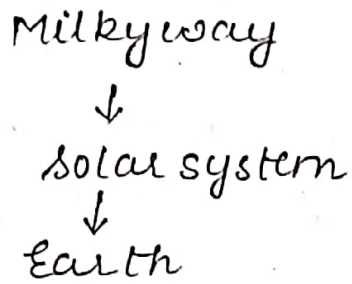
Origin - Big Bang Theory :-

- Earlyⁱⁿ universe everything was condensed in a single small point of infinite density and heat.
- A huge explosion unimaginable in physical terms occur.
- The universe expanded and temperature came down. Hydrogen and Helium formed sometime later.
- The gases condensed under gravitation and form the galaxies of the present time.

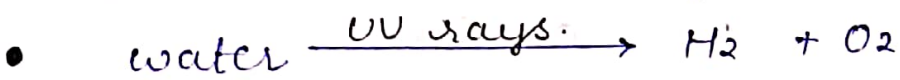
Origin of Earth :-

Like all other galaxies our galaxy Milkyway also formed. This galaxy contain our solar system, in which earth was formed about 4.5 Billion year ago.

Origin of Earth's atmosphere :-

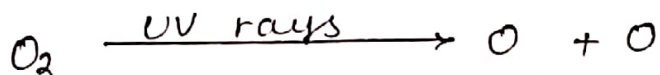
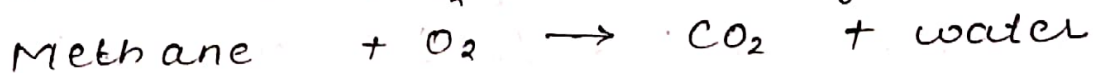
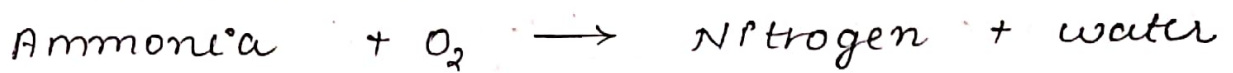


- There was not atmosphere on early earth.
- NH_3 , CH_4 , CO_2 , H_2O (g) released from molten mass covered the surface.



- Hydrogen gas is lighter so escaped.

- O_2 combined with NH_3 and CH_4 .



- Ozone layer formed. As it cooled, the water vapour condensed and fell as rain.
- water of rain fell all depression and form ocean.
- Early atmosphere was reducing as there is no oxygen left which is suitable for origin of life. Life form 4 B.Y.A.

Origin of Life :-

① Theory of special creation -

↳ Religious theory.

- All living organism were created as such.
- The diversity was always the same since creation and will be same in future.
- Earth is about 4000 years old according to this theory.

② Cosmic - Panspermia Theory :-

Some scientists believe that life came from outside. It states that the seed of life exist all over the universe and can be propagated through space from one location to another.

③ Theory of spontaneous generations :-

Life came out of decaying and rotting matter like straw, mud etc.

Non living things spontaneously → living thing.

It is also known as Abiogenesis.

- F. Redi, Spallaxani & Louis Pasteur disapproved this theory.

④ Theory of Biogenesis :-

Louis Pasteur demonstrate that life comes only from pre existing life.

- He showed that in pre sterilised flasks, life did not come from killed yeast and sugar syrup.
- while in another flask open to air, new living organism arose from killed yeast and sugar syrup.

Limitation of biogenesis :-

This did not answer how the first life form came on earth.

⑤ Theory of Chemical Evolution :-

Oparin of Russia and Haldane of England proposed that the first form of life came from pre-existing non-living organic molecule and these molecules also evolved from inorganic molecules. 'The formation of life was preceded by chemical evolution.

Simple inorganic atom $\xrightarrow{\text{chemical evolution}}$ complex organic compound.

Complex organic compounds $\xrightarrow{\text{biological evolution}}$ First life (in water).

→ Initial condition on earth were high temperature, volcanic storms, reducing atmosphere containing CH_4 , NH_3 etc.

• Chemical Evolution -

Atomic state - C, H, O, N etc.

H most abundant, very reactive at high temperature

Molecular state - H_2O (g), NH_3 , CO_2 etc.

Simple organic compound - CH_4 (first)

HCN, alcohol, aldehyde, organic acids, amino acids, monosaccharides, fatty acids, glycerols, Nitrogen bases etc.

→ energy for these compound formation obtain by volcanic eruption, lightening, U.V.

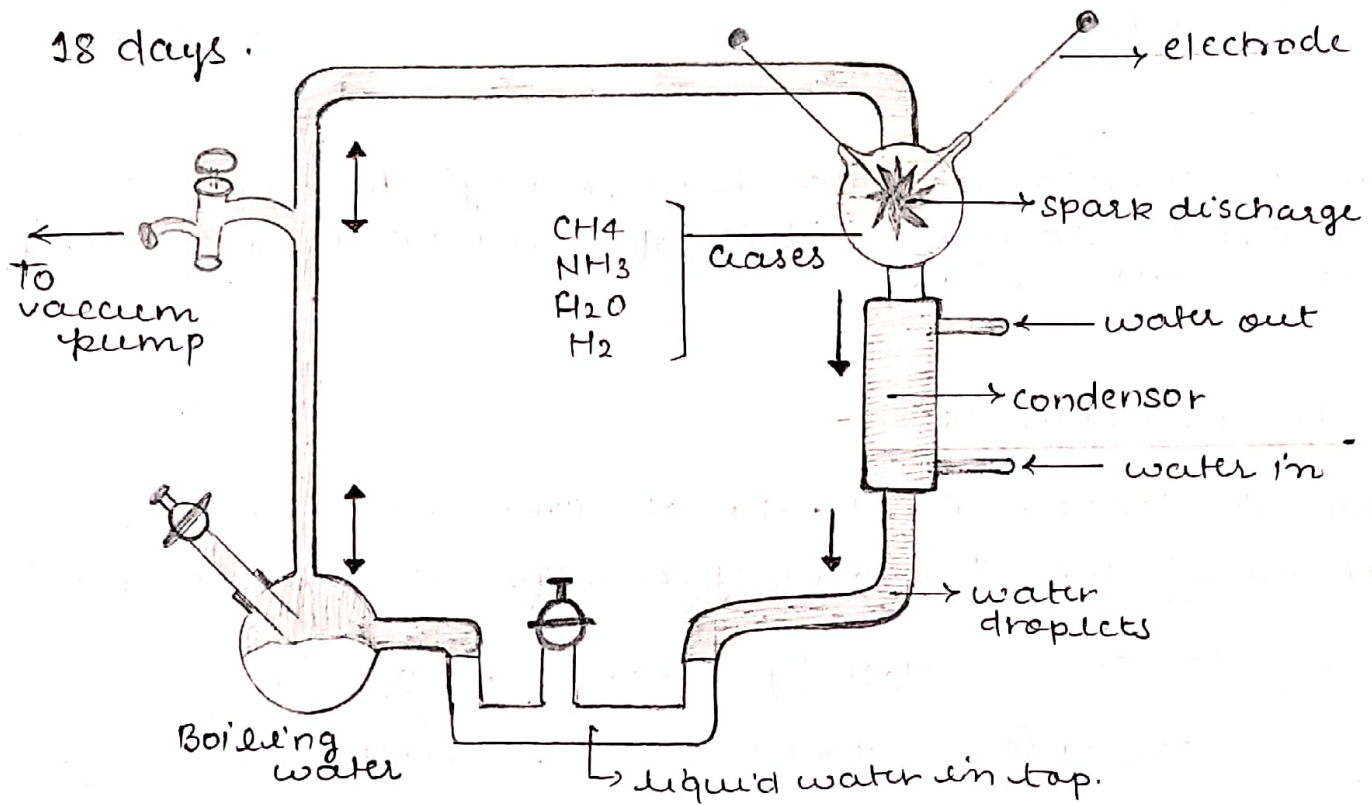
Complex organic compounds-

Monosaccharide → Polysaccharide
Amino acid → Proteins
Fatty acid + Glycerol → Fat / Lipid
N-base + 5C sugar + Phosphate → Nucleic acid

They all present in hot water as hot dilute soup - Prebiotic soup [Haldane]

Experimental verification was given by American scientist S.L. Miller in 1953. He created similar condition in lab.

18 days.



He took CH₄, NH₃, H₂ and water vapour at 800°C in large flasks.

He observed formation of amino acids.

In similar experiments other observed formation of sugar, Nitrogen bases, pigments and fats.

→ Analysis of meteorite contents also result similar compounds indicating that similar processes compounds which indicate that similar processes are occurring elsewhere in space.

• Biological evolution -

First form of life from non-living organic molecule.

① Formation of protobiont -

Nucleic acid + Protein → colloidal drop [Protobiont]

• Protobiont is first sign of life.

• Oparin formed coacervates in lab.

• Protein + Carbohydrate → Coacervates.

• Sydney Fox form microspheres in lab.

Mixture of Amino acid $\xrightarrow{\text{Heat then cold}}$ Protenoid body

Protenoid body $\xrightarrow{\text{lipid coat}}$ Microsphere

② Formation of Eobiont / Procell -

Protobiont (gain replication property) + lipid membrane \longrightarrow Eobiont or procell or first cell.

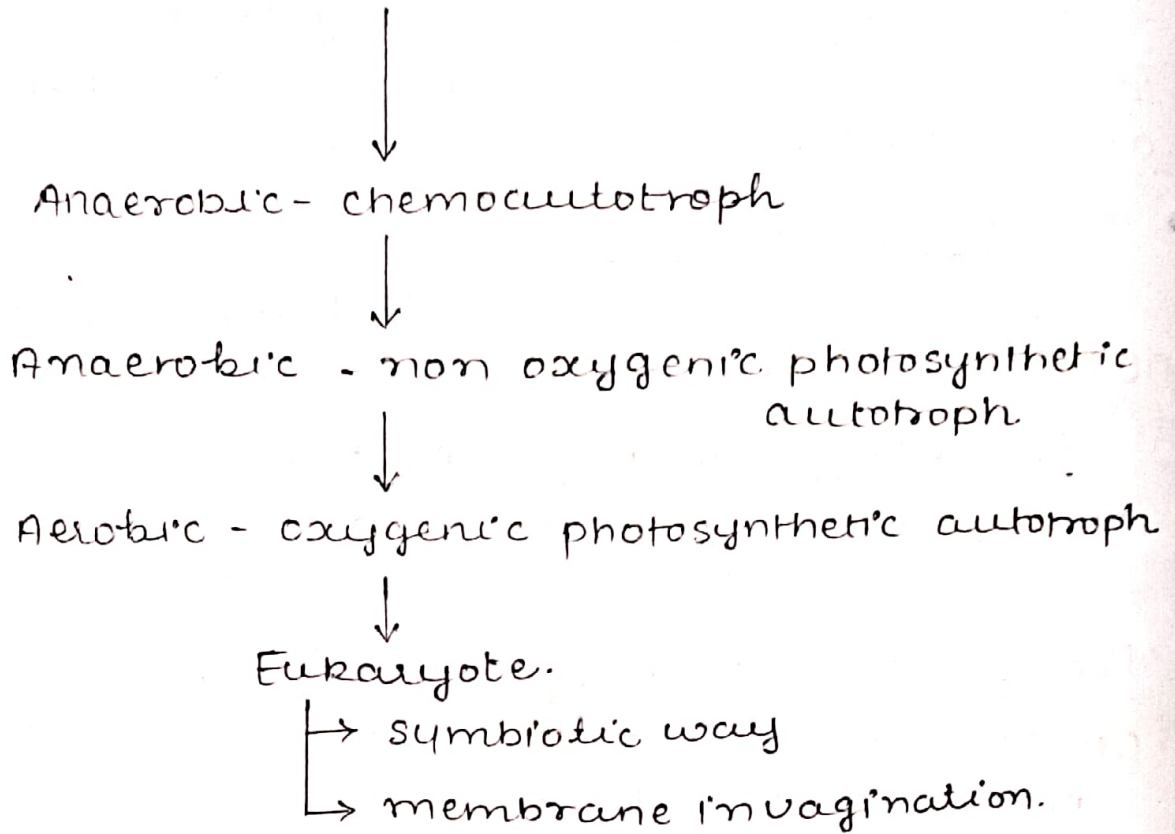
→ First cellular form of life - 2 B.Y.A

→ First non-cellular form of life - 3 B.Y.A.

→ First life - 4 B.Y.A

→ water and reducing environment is essential for origin of life.

First cell / Prokaryotes - Anaerobic chemoheterotroph



Evolution of life - forms - A Theory

Theory of evolution - Charles Darwin

- i) According to Darwin, existing life forms share similarities not only among themselves but also with life forms that existed million years ago.
- ii) There is gradual evolution of life forms, some life forms extinct and some arose at different times.
- iii). Any population has built-in variation which enables some to survive better than natural conditions. Due to this they outbreed others. So, they leave more progeny than others.
- iv). These will survive more and hence selected by nature. It is called Natural Selection.
- v). Geological history of earth closely related with earth. Hence earth is very old.

Evidences of Evolution :-

- i) Palaeontological evidences [fossils]
- ii) Embryological evidences
- iii) Comparative anatomy and morphology
- iv) Biochemical evidences.
- v) Evidences of natural selection
 - Artificial selection
 - Industrial melanism
 - Evolution by anthropogenic action.
- vi) Other evidences -
 - Connecting link
 - Atavism
 - Vestigial organs.

→ study of fossils

1. Palaeontological Evidence [Fossils] :-

Fossils are remains or impressions of hard part of life forms found on rocks.

Importance -

- Represent extinct life such as Dinosaurs.
- It also indicate the geological period in which they existed.
- It shows that lifeform varied over time.
- Certain life form are restricted to certain geological time spans.
- New life forms arisen in different times of history.

Methods of finding ages of fossils :-

- i). Radiocarbon dating method
- ii). K-Ar method.
- iii). Uranium - Lead dating method
- iv). Electron spin resonance.

2. Embryological Evidence :-

This was proposed by Ernest Haeckel.

His theory is based on observation of certain features during embryonic development so all vertebrates which are absent in adult stage.

Example: The embryo of all vertebrates including human develop a row of vestigial gills slit just behind the head but functional only in fishes but also not found in adult other vertebrates.

Note: Von Baer rejected this theory.

3. Comparative Anatomy and Morphology :-

It shows similarity and differences among organisms of today and which existed years ago.

(i) Homology / Homologous organ:

Homology means same origin or embryonic development or fundamental structure.

The organs in a different group of organisms that have same basic structure and origin but differ in basic function they carry out is called Homologous organ.

→ Homology indicates common ancestry.

→ Homologous organ is result of divergent evolution.

Divergent evolution is evolutionary pattern in which species sharing common ancestor become different due to adaptation to different needs.

Example :

1) Forelimbs of mammals.

Forelimbs of mammals like Man, cheetah, whale, bat etc. have same anatomical structure as all of them have humerus, radius, ulna, carpals, metacarpals and phalanges hence they are homologous.

2) vertebrates heart and brain

All vertebrates have heart and brain which are similar in origin.

3) Thorn and tendrils

Thorn in Bougainvillea and tendrils of cucurbits both are modified axillary buds.

ii) Analogy / Analogous organs :

Analogy means different structure evolving for same function due to similar adaptation of habitat.

The organs in different group of organism which have similar function but are different in anatomical structure

→ Analogy indicates uncommon ancestry.

→ Analogous organ is result of Convergent evolution.

Convergent evolution is a evolutionary pattern in which species not having common ancestor having different structure become similar in function due to adaptation to same need.

Example -

1) wings of butterfly and birds

wings of birds are forelimbs while butterfly wings are fold of membrane associated with few muscles.

Both have different origin / structure but similar function

2) Sweet Potato ^{↳ modified root} and Potato ^{↳ modified stem}

Both have different origin but similar function (food storage).

- 3) Eyes of Octopus and eyes of mammals.
 4) Flippers of Penguin and Dolphin.

4) Biochemical Evidence - Similarities in proteins & genes performing a given function among diverse organisms gives clues of common ancestry.

Example: ATP - Energy currency
 Trypsin - Protein digesting enzyme
 Genetic codon
 Insulin hormone

5) Others -

i) vestigial organ
 These organs not useful in current organism but functional and more developed in ancestor.

examples -

- Nictitating membrane (Plica semilunaris) → third eyelid
- Auricular muscles / muscles of ear pinna
- Wisdom teeth / 3rd molar
- Body hair.
- Vermiform appendix
- Coccyx (tail bone).

ii) connecting links

These organisms show character of two different groups.

Virus - between living and non-living

Euglena - b/w plant and animals

Neopilina - b/w annelida and mollusca

Peripatus - b/w annelida and arthropoda.

Archaeopteryx - b/w reptiles and birds.

iii) Atavism is reappearance of ancestral character.

eg. long and pointed canines.

Thick body hair

Tail in new born.

ADAPTIVE RADIATION

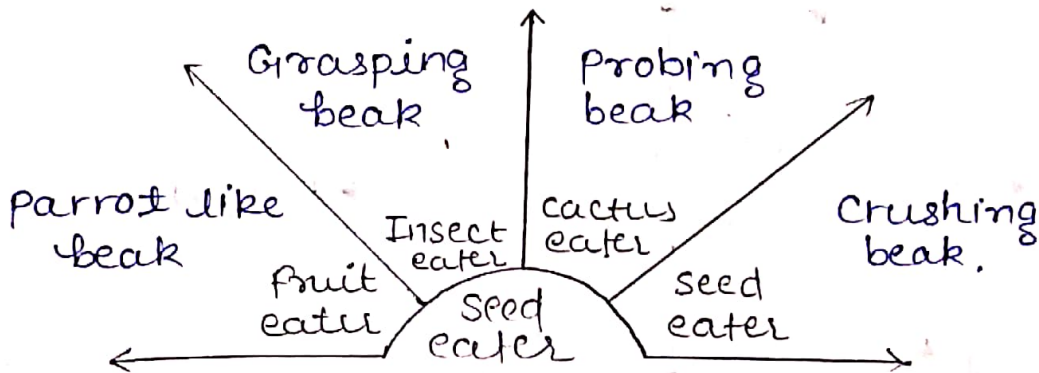
Process of evolution of different species in a given geographical area starting from a point and radiating to other areas of geography / habitat.

- Eg.
1. Darwin Finches
 2. Australian Marsupials
 3. Australian Placental mammals.

① Darwin Finches -

During his journey Darwin went to Galapagos Island. He observed an amazing diversity in a small black bird (Darwin Finches).

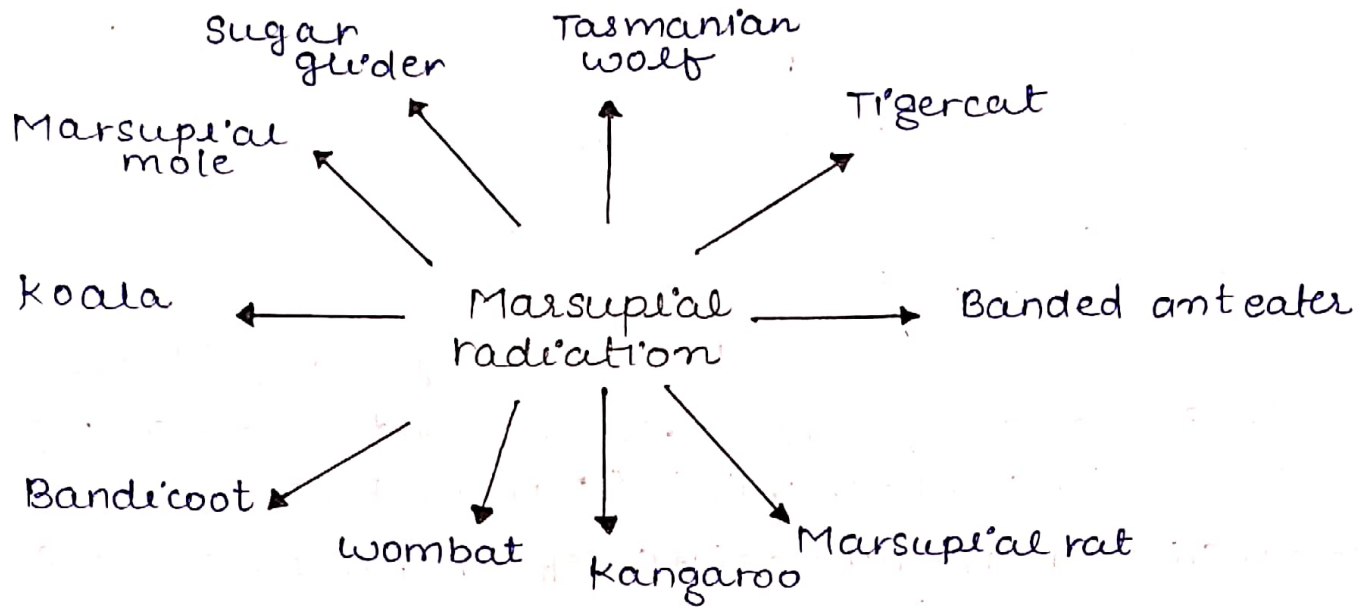
- There were many varieties of finches in same island. All these varieties evolved on the island from original seed-eating bird.
- All finches have different beak enabling them to become insectivorous and vegetarian finches.



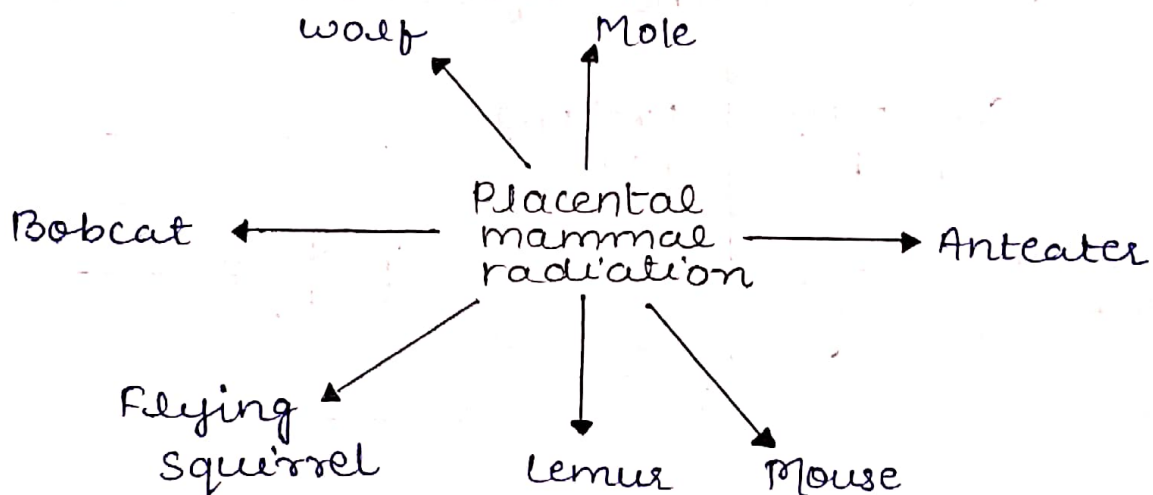
- (i) A common ancestor.
- (ii) Move to different habitat and developed certain variation to adapt in that habitat like beak shape size.
- (iii) After sometime adaptation is so permanent. Prominent that they can't interbreed.
[new species]

(2) Marsupial Mammals :

A number of marsupials, each different from the other, evolved from an ancestral stock, but all within the Australian geographical area



3. Australian Placental mammals:



Convergent Evolution in Adaptive Radiation :

When more than one adaptive radiation appeared in an isolated geographical area with different habitat then convergent evolution occur.

→ It is due to similar adaptation in same habitat

Example: Adaptive radiation of placental mammals and adaptive radiation of Australian marsupials show convergent evolution. In similar habitat show similar adaptation. So, there is correspond member of both type in same habitat.

Biological Evolution :-

[Theory of organic evolution]

1. Theory of Inheritance of acquired character -

→ Given by French naturalist Lermarch.

→ His theory also known as 'Theory of use and disuse of organ'.

→ According to it, "Evolution of life forms driven by use and disuse of organs".

(i) Influence of environment : Environment is not constant. change in environment develops new need.

(ii) Acquired character : To fulfill need organism acquire new character by more or less use of a organ

- more use - more developed organ.
- less use - less developed organ

(iii) Inheritance of acquired character :

These acquired characters pass to next generation. slowly accumulate the passed character and these produce new species.

support - Long Neck of Girraffe.

② Theory of Natural Selection -

Darwin's theory based on -

(i) His observation during voyage by H.M.S Beagle in Galapagos Island (living laboratory).

(ii) Thomas Malthus essay on population.

→ He gave theory of Natural Selection and wrote a book 'Origin of species'.

→ Two key point of theory -

- ▶ Natural selection
- ▶ Branching descent

→ Darwin's theory is based on certain observation which are factual -

- > Natural resources are limited.
- > Population are stable in size.
- > Variation between member of population.
- > Most of variation are inherited.

Key points of theory -

- i). Overproduction
- ii). Resources are limited.
- iii). Intraspecific competition.
- iv). Some member have certain variation which help in better adaptation in environment.
- v). These member produce more progeny than others.
- vi). survivors form a population with characteristic and hence new species form.

Examples -

- (a) Industrial Melanism
- (b) Microbes colony under given medium
- (c) Man made selection
- (d) Evolution by Anthropogenic action.

Industrial Melanism -

In England, before industrialisation it was observed that there were more white winged moths. Before industrialisation trunks were covered with lichen which is whitish in colour. White moths have an advantage so, predators could not spot them and their number increases.

During industrialisation, smoke polluted the environment and lichen disappeared, white moths easily visible in background. So predators capture them and their number decreases. So, black moths have advantage of colour and predators can't spot them.

This phenomenon is called industrial melanism.

Microbial Colony -

A colony of bacteria grows in a given medium. Then, medium was changed → only those microbes survive who have variation to utilise this changed medium. These bacteria outgrow ^{others} and appear as new species.

→ rate of appearance of new form is linked to life cycle or life span.

Nature selects those organisms which are better adapted to survive in given environment.

Selective Breeding and Domestication -

Man has bred selected plants and animals for agriculture, horticulture, sport or security.

Human created new breeds by selective breeding and domestication within few hundred years.

It means nature can create new species by natural selection of organisms over MYA.

Evolution by Anthropogenic Action -

- i) Excess use of herbicide, pesticide has result in selection of resistant varieties in much lesser time scale.
- ii) Industrial melanism.

3. Mutational Theory:

- Given by Hugo De Vries. He worked on Evening Primrose.
- According to him - Large difference arise suddenly in population i.e. Mutation. These mutation cause evolution. It is known as Saltation
- Single step large mutation cause evolution.

Mechanism of Evolution -

[compare b/w Darwin theory and De Vries Theory].

- 1). According to Darwin small continuous variations cause evolution whereas De Vries believe that mutation cause evolution.
- 2). Darwinian variation are small and directional but mutational variation is large and directionless.
- 3). Darwin thought evolution was gradual process while ⁱⁿ mutation, it is single large step.
- 4). Main force.
 - Darwin - Natural selection.
 - De Vries - Mutation.

Hardy - Weinberg Law :-

British mathematician G.H. Hardy and German Physician W. Weinberg proposed the concept of genetic structure of non-evolving population. It is known as Hardy-Weinberg equilibrium.

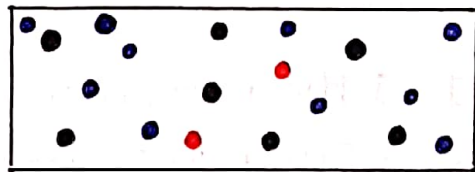
This states that allele and genotype frequencies in a ^{ideal} population will remain constant from generation to generation in the absence of other evolutionary influences.

For an ideal population conditions are -

- i) Random mating occur
- ii) No mutation
- iii) No migration
- iv) No natural selection
- v) Large population.

→ It describe a gene pool whose allelic frequency is constant under certain condition.

Gene pool - Total genes and their alleles in a population.



Gene pool

- AA ●
- Aa ●
- aa ●

Allele

- A
- a

Allelic Frequency -

Genotype	AA	Aa	aa		Total
Number of Individual	7	10	2		
Number of A allele	14	10	0	=>	24
Number of a allele	0	10	4	=>	$\frac{14}{38}$

$$\text{Frequency of A (P)} = \frac{24}{38} = 0.63$$

$$\text{Frequency of B (q)} = \frac{14}{38} = 0.37$$

$$P+q = 0.63 + 0.37$$

$$P+q = 1$$

→ According to Hardy weinberg - sum total of all the allelic frequencies is 1.

$$P+q = 1$$

where p and q are allelic frequencies of A and a respectively.

$$(P+q)^2 = 1$$

$$p^2 + 2pq + q^2 = 1$$

where p^2 is frequency of AA.

q^2 is frequency of aa

$2pq$ is frequency of Aa

→ It is a population follow Hardy - weinberg, it shows genetic equilibrium or no evolution.

→ Change in frequency of genetic equilibrium cause evolution.

Factors affecting Hardy - weinberg equilibrium -

- 1). Gene flow
- 2). Genetic drift
- 3). Mutation
- 4). Genetic Recombination
- 5). Natural selection.

1). Gene Flow :

It is the movement of genes into or out of a population. Such movement occur due to migration.

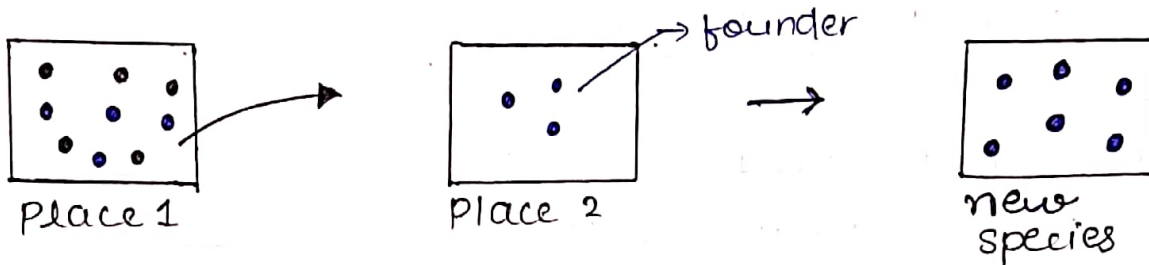
2). Genetic Drift :

It is an evolutionary force operating in small population in which there is change in allelic frequency BY CHANCE. It occur due to -

- i) Founder Effect
- ii) Bottle Neck Effect.

i) Founder Effect :-

When a few individuals or a small group migrate from main population. In this small migrant group some genes may be absent or occur in such low frequency that may be easily lost. Due to this they have unique frequency, so form new species.



ii) Bottle Neck effect :-

It happens when size of population is highly reduced by event like natural disaster. It kills most of the individuals and leaving behind a small, random member. So gene frequency changes. This leads to formation of new species.

3. Mutation :

Sudden change in genetic structure of organism. It can change gene frequencies.

↳ Mutation cause discontinuous variation which can cause formation of new species.

4. Genetic Recombination :

Crossing over during meiosis

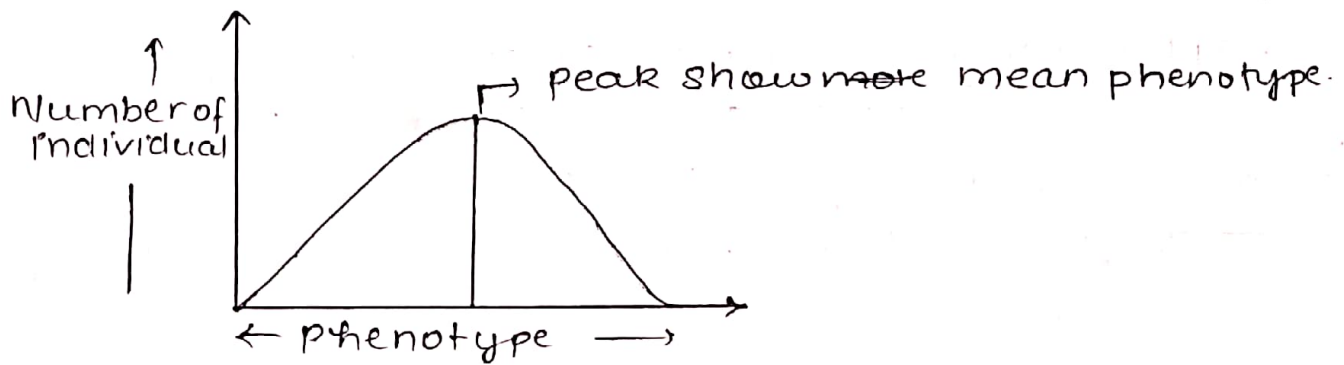
cause formation of new combination along with parental combination. It can produce new variation.

5. Natural selection -

It is the process in which heritable variation enabling better survival in given environment. Due to it these organisms reproduce and form more progeny.

Types of Natural selection -

- i). Stabilising Natural selection
- ii). Directional natural selection
- iii). Disruptive Natural selection.



1) Stabilising Natural selection :-

Type of natural selection in which more individual acquire mean character.

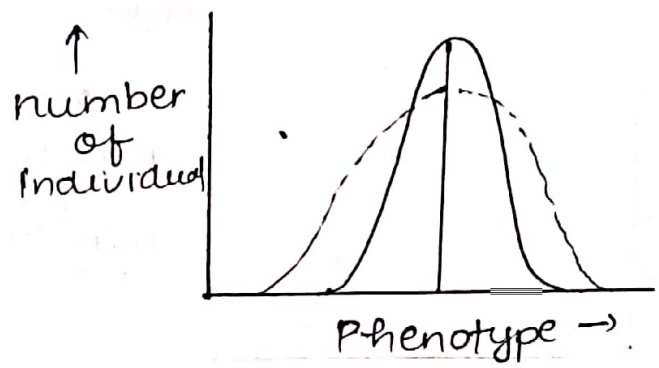
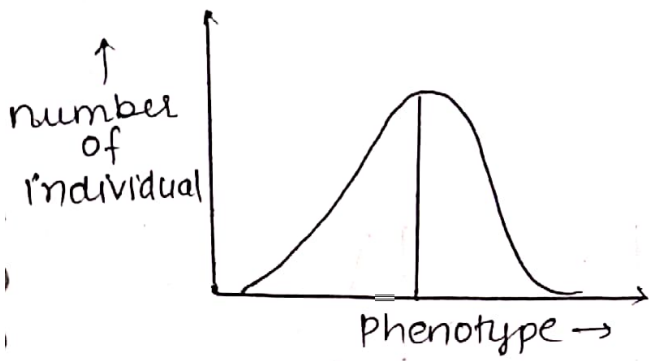
- operates in constant environment
- mean is selected
- both extreme are rejected
- mean phenotype remain same.
- Peak gets high and narrow
- Most common.

Eg. Birth weight in human infants -

5.5 lb
[Death]

7.3 lb
[Survive]

10 lb
[Death]

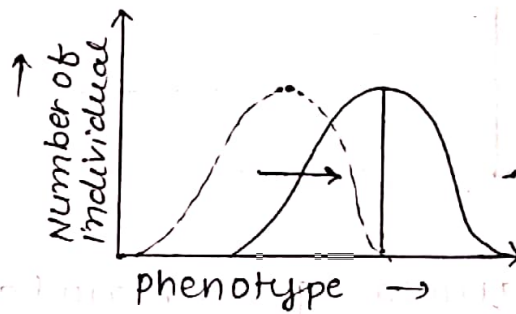
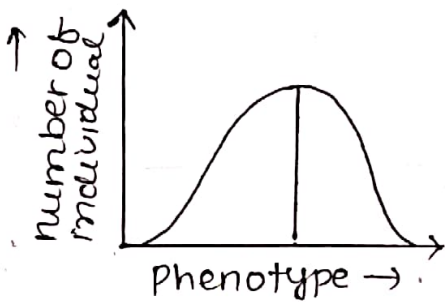


2) Directional selection -

Type of natural selection in which more individual acquire value other than mean character value.

- ▷ operates in changing environment
- ▷ one extreme is selected
- ▷ other extreme is rejected
- ▷ Mean value changes
- ▷ Peak shift in one direction.

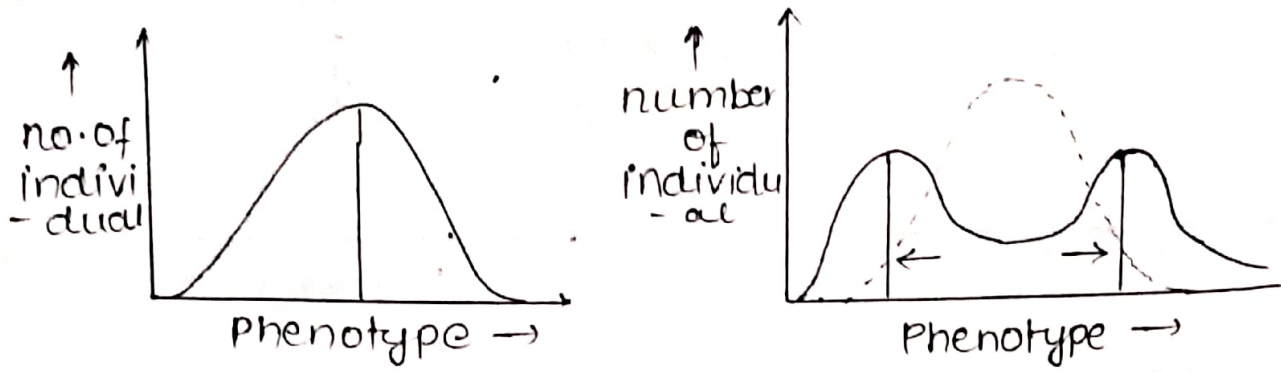
Eg. Industrial melanism



3) Disruptive Natural Selection :

Type of natural selection in which more individual acquire peripheral character value.

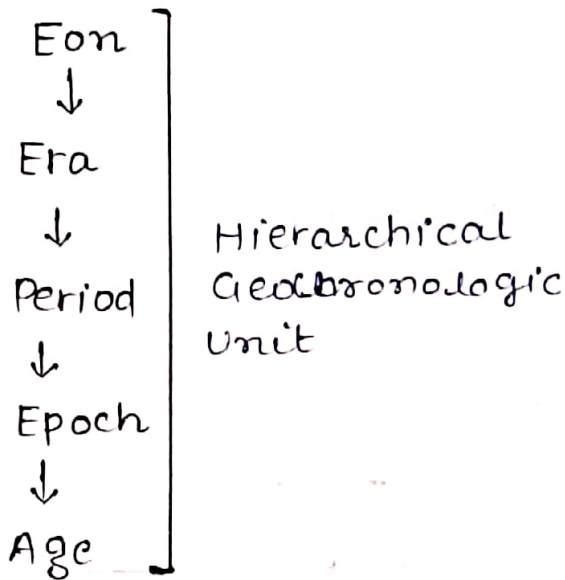
- operate in changing environment
- Both extreme is selected
- Mean is rejected
- 2 peaks are formed
- More important in evolution.



Geological Time Scale -

It is a representation of time based on rock record and fossil record of earth.

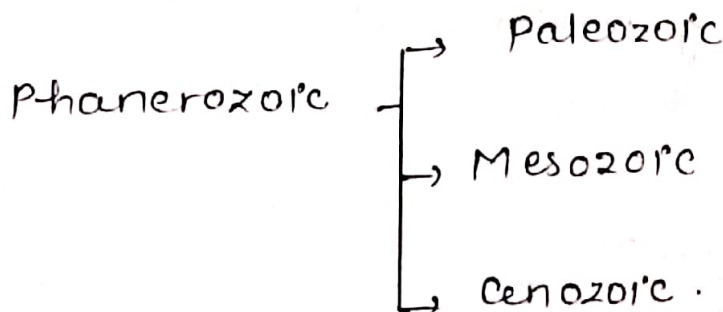
→ Geochronologic unit - subdivision of geologic time.

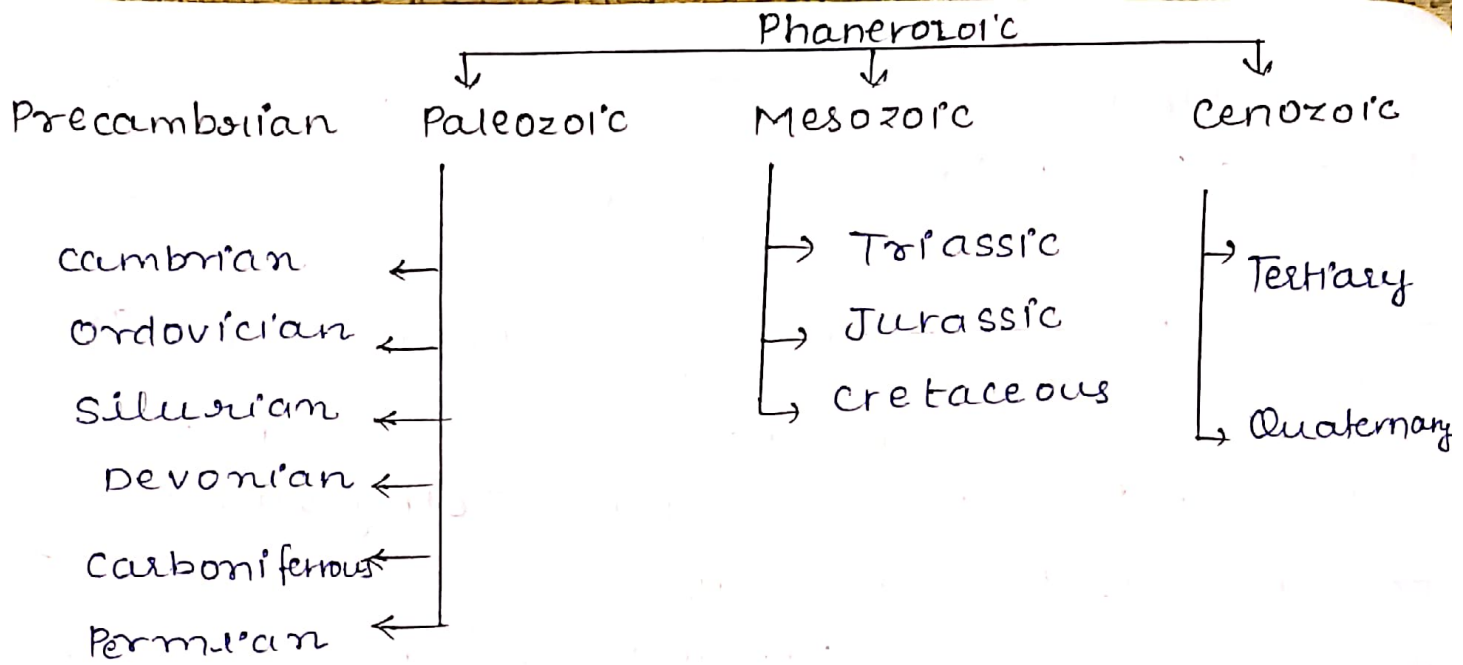


Eon :- Largest geochronologic unit.

1. Archean
 2. Proterozoic
 3. Phanerozoic
- } cryptozoic → no fossil record
- have fossil record.

Era :- second largest geochronologic unit.





Brief Account of Evolution -

- About 2000 MYA the first cellular forms of life appeared on earth.
- Some of these cells had ability to release O_2 [Photosynthetic Autotroph].
- Slowly single-celled organisms become multicellular.
- By the time of 500 MYA invertebrates were formed.
- 350 MYA vertebrates (Jawless fish) evolved.
- First organisms that invade land were plants when plants were widely spread then animals invade land.
- Lobefins thought to be extinct but in 1938 Coelacanth caught in South Africa.
- They could move on land and go back to water.

Lobefins



First amphibians



Frog and other amphibians
Salamander

↓
Reptiles

Reptiles lay thick-shelled eggs which do not dry up in sun unlike amphibians.

→ In next 200 MYA, reptiles of different shapes and size dominated on earth.

Some of these land reptile went back in water to evolve into fish like reptile Ichthyosaurs.

→ Land reptile-- Dinosaurs.

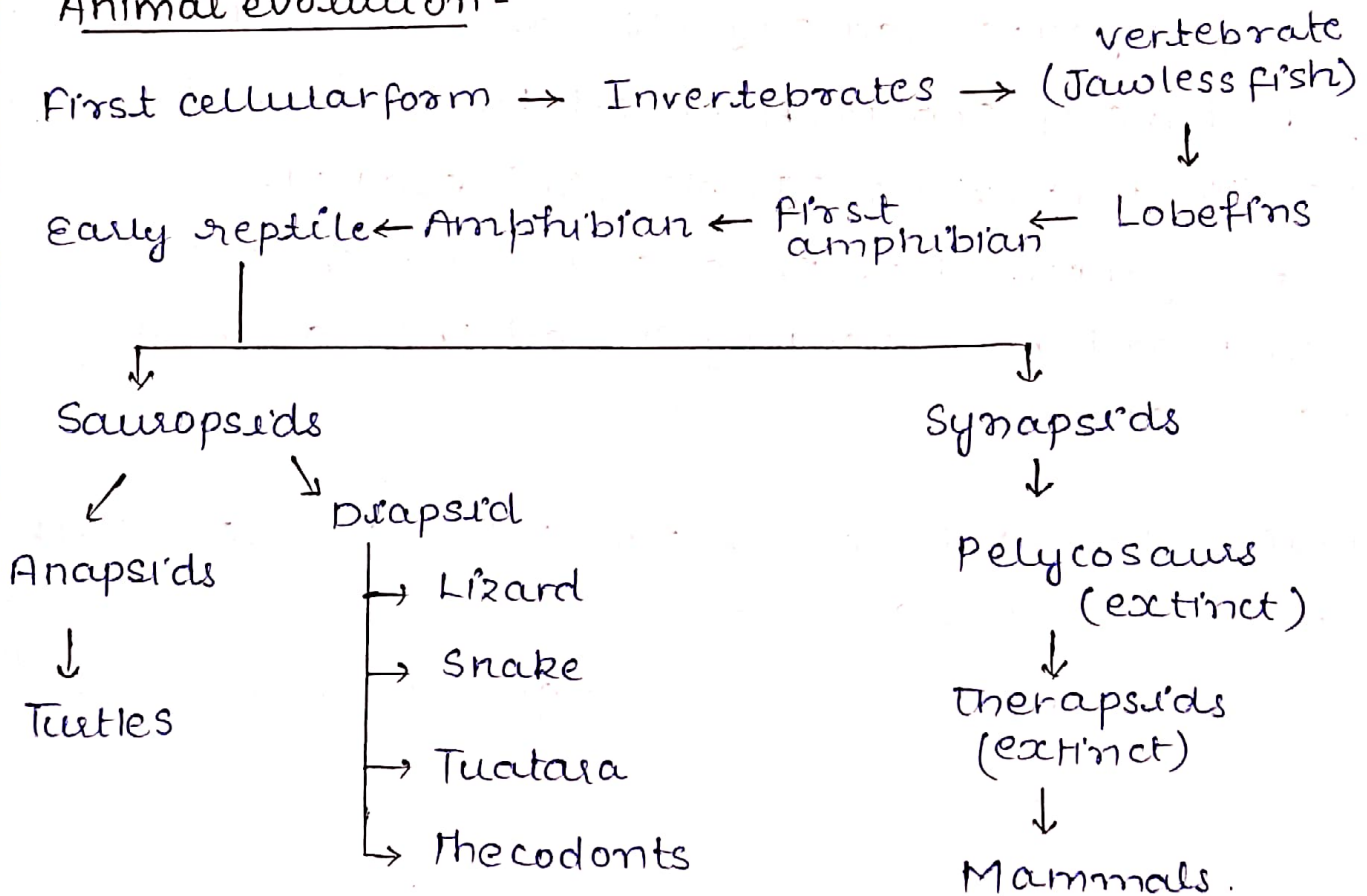
↳ biggest - Tyrannosaurus rex.

→ Dinosaurs disappeared from earth - 65 MYA.

Reason → climatic change
→ evolved into birds.

→ Small sized reptiles of that era still exist today.

Animal evolution -



→ First mammals were shrews.

- viviparous
- Protect their unborn inside mother's body
- More intelligent in sensing and avoiding danger.

→ Before continental drift south america had mammals similar to horse, hippopotamus, bear, rabbit etc. Due to continental drift when south america joins north america animals of south america were overridden by north america.

→ Same continental drift separate australia. Here pouched mammals survived because of lack of competition from other mammals.

evolution periods:

Fish - Devonian

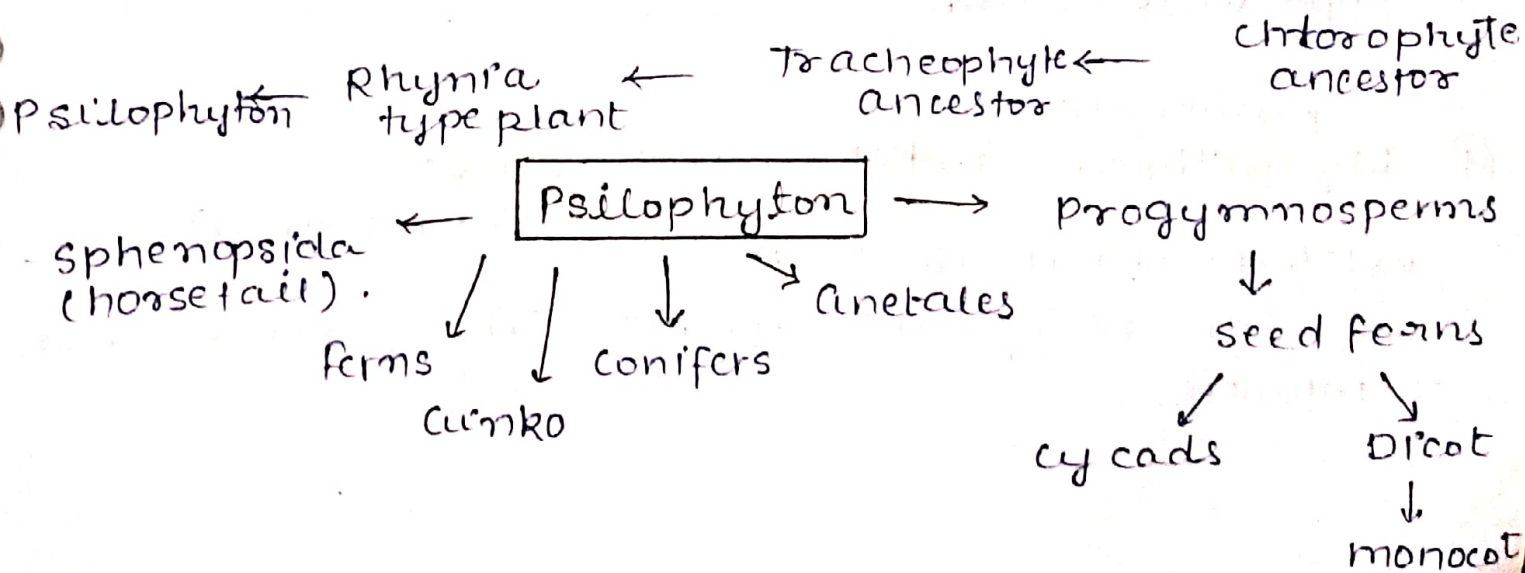
Amphibian - Carboniferous

Reptile - Jurassic

Mammals - Cenozoic era

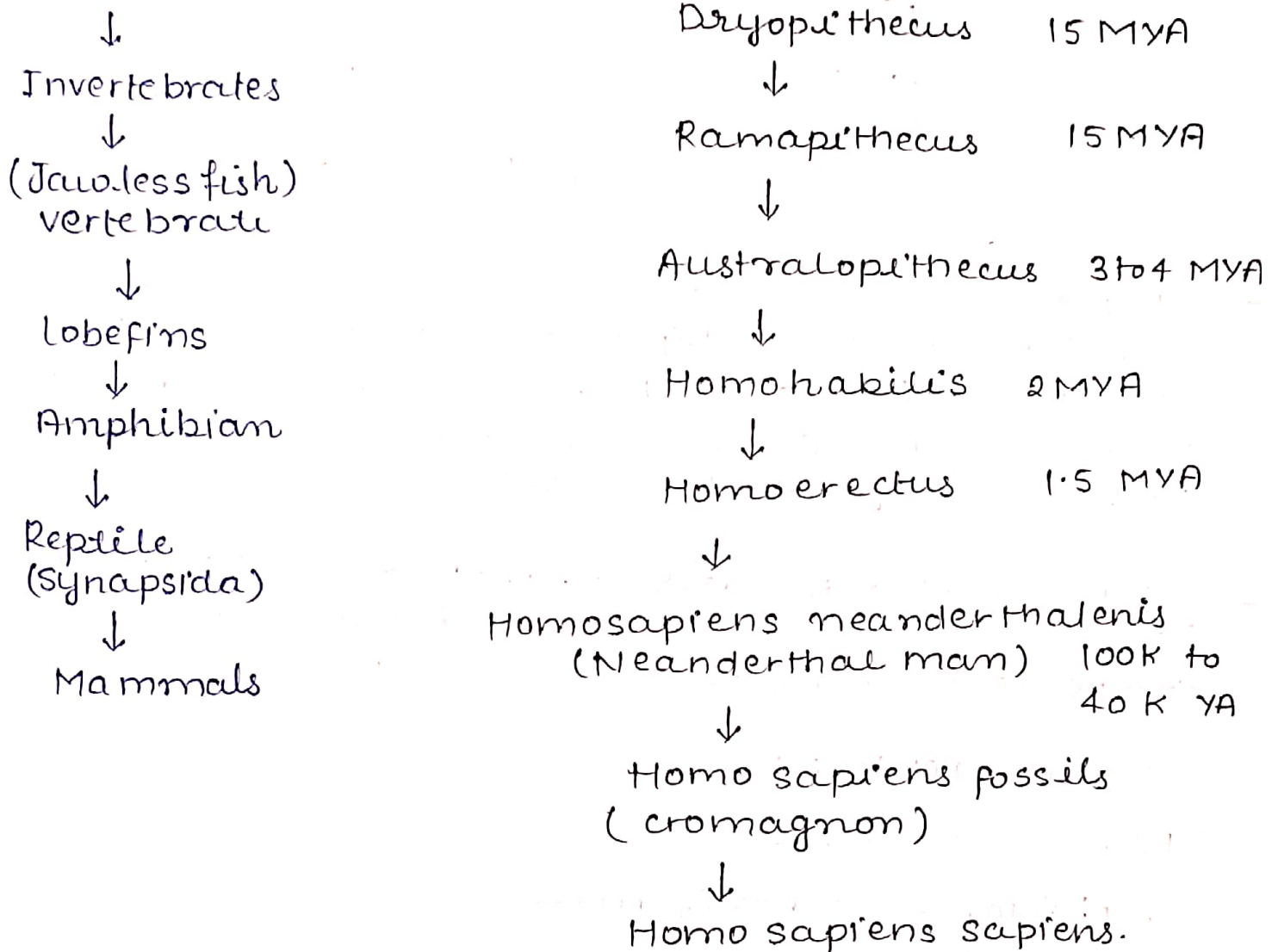
Plant Evolution:

First cell → Cyanobacteria → plant like protista



Origin and Evolution of Humans-

First cell (2000 MYA)



Evolutionary change.

- ▷ Bipedal Locomotion
- ▷ Increment in Cranial capacity
- ▷ Erect posture
- ▷ opposable Thumb.

- ① ^{↳ more Apelike} Dryopithecus and ② ^{↳ more mandlike} Ramapithecus -
- existed about 15 MYA.
 - Both were hairy and walked like gorillas and chimpanzees.

③ Australopithecus -

- 3-4 MYA
- Fossils obtained from Tanzania & Ethiopia.
- Ape-man like
- vegetarian
- Not more than 4 feet tall.
- walked up-right.

④ Homo habilis -

- First human like hominid.
- Existed 2 to 2.5 MYA
- Cranial capacity - 650 to 800 cc
- 1st to use stone made tool → tool maker / Handy man.
- Lived in caves.
- Vegetarian.

⑤ Homo erectus -

- Existed in 1.5 MYA
- Fossils discovered in Java in 1891 (Javaman).
- Large brain size around 900 cc.
- They ate meat.
- 1st to use fire for hunting, protection, cooking.

Note: Homo erectus involve

- Java man

- Peking man → show cannibalism

- Heidelberg man

⑥ Homosapiens -

i) Neanderthal Mans -

(Homo sapiens Neanderthalensis)

- 100 K to 40 K YA
- Near east and central asia
- Cranial capacity - 1400 cc
- They used hides to protect their body and buried their dead.

ii). Cromagnon Man -

(Homo sapiens fossils)

- 50 K to 10 K YA
- Cranial capacity - 1650 cc \rightarrow maximum
- Domestication and painting

iii). Modern Man -

(Homo sapiens sapiens)

During ice age between 75,000 - 10,000 YA
modern Homo sapiens arose.

- Homo sapiens arose in Africa and moved across continents and developed into distinct races.
- Cranial capacity - 1300 to 1600 cc (avg - 1450 cc).