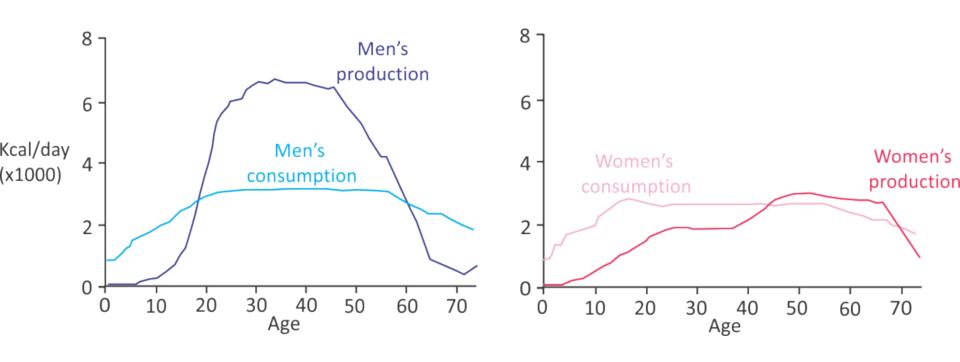
Beyond kith and kin

How culture transformed human cooperation

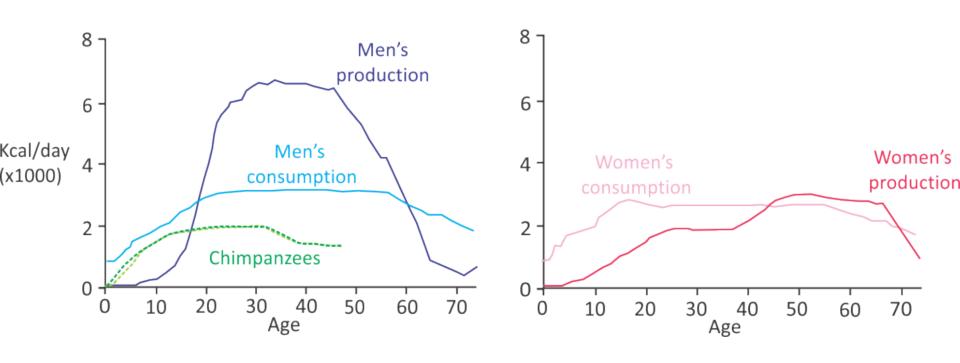


Look at this lead pencil. There's not a single person in the world who could make this pencil...

Ache & Hiwi foragers



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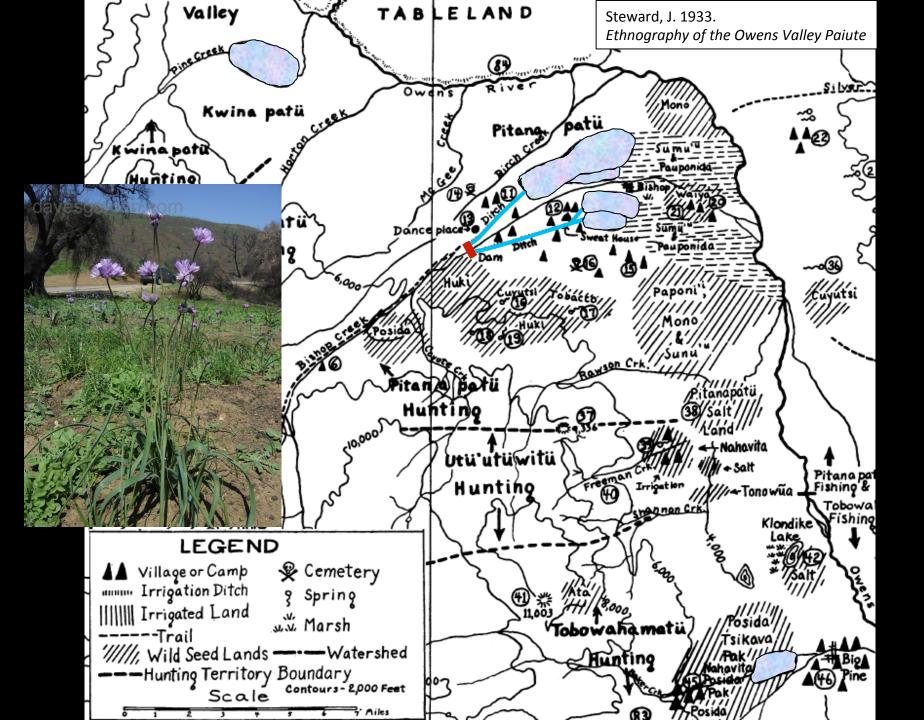


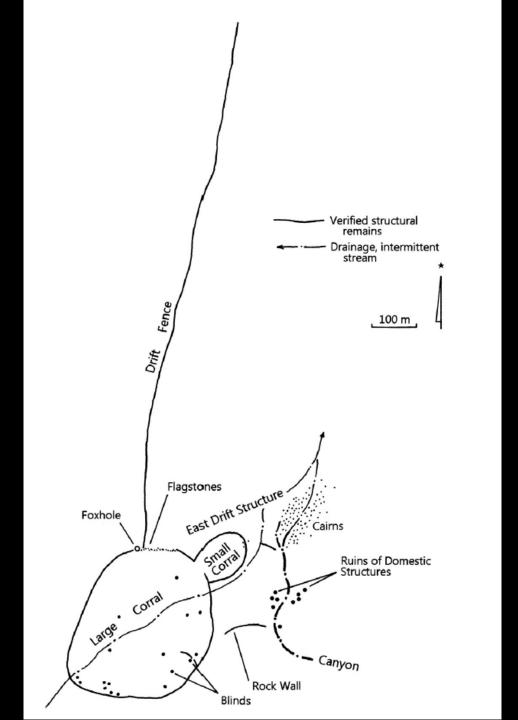
There is nobody in this country who got rich on their own.

Nobody.

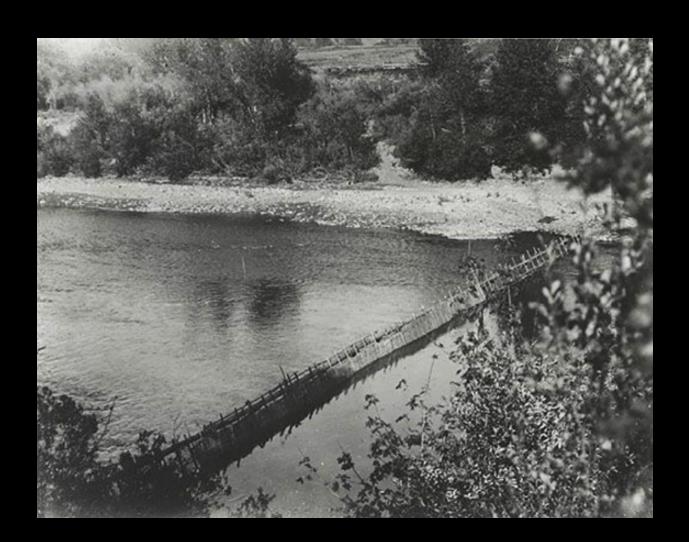




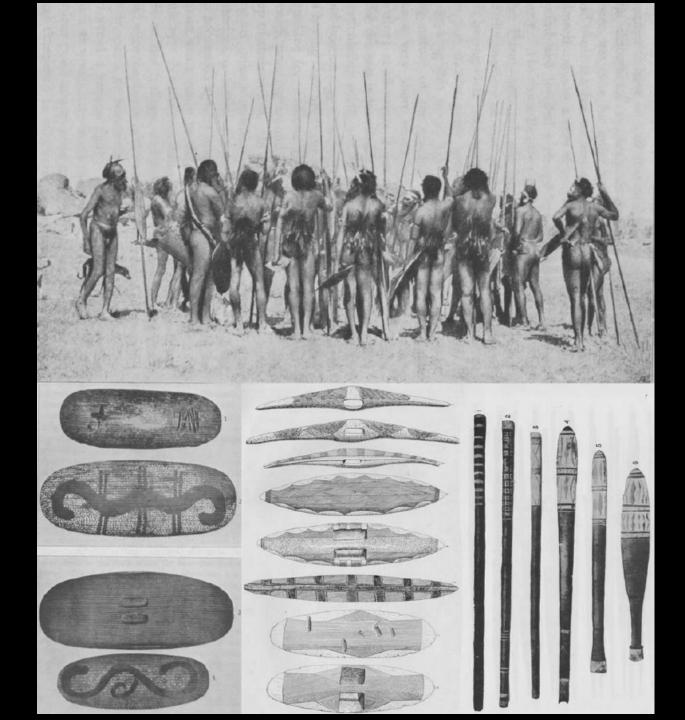




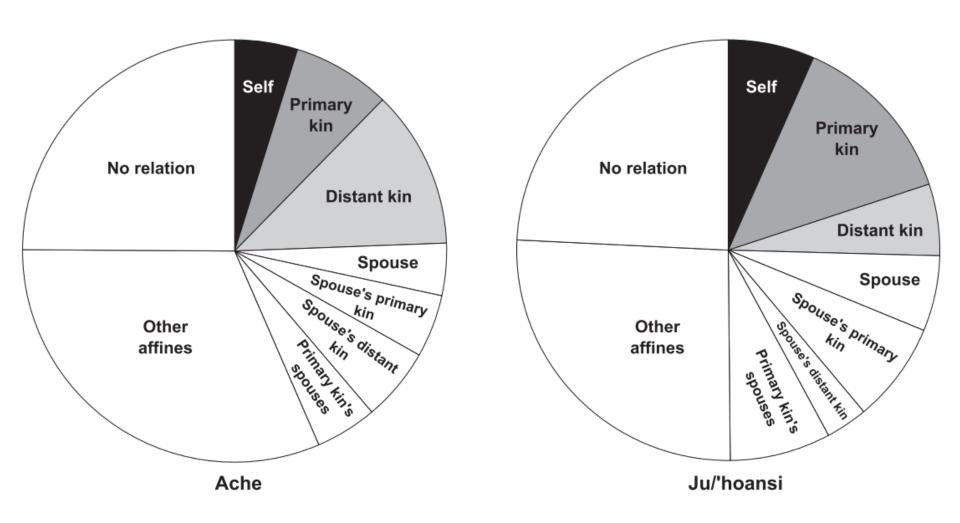


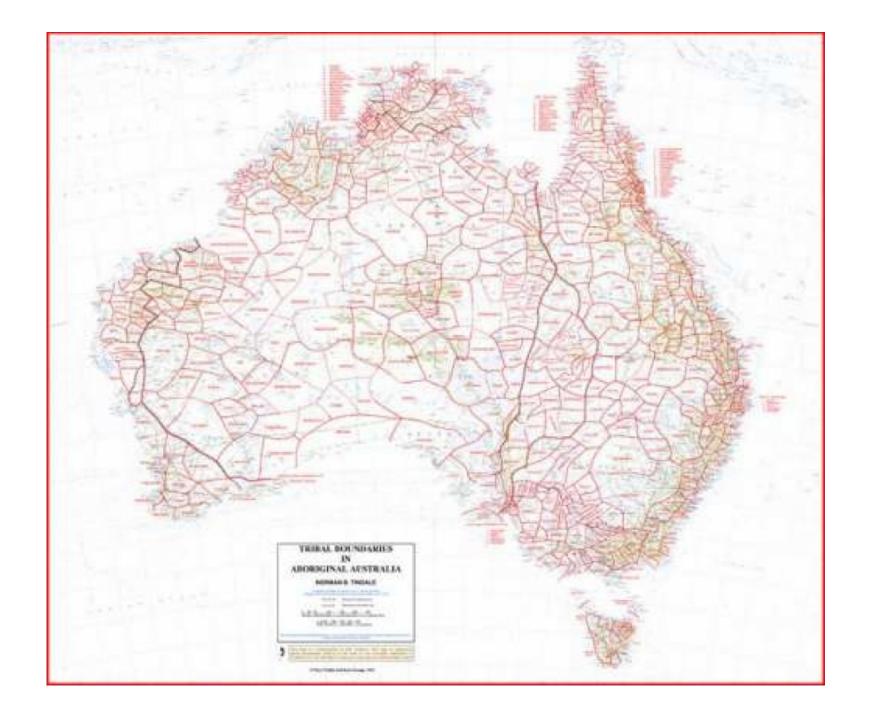












So, it must be reciprocity

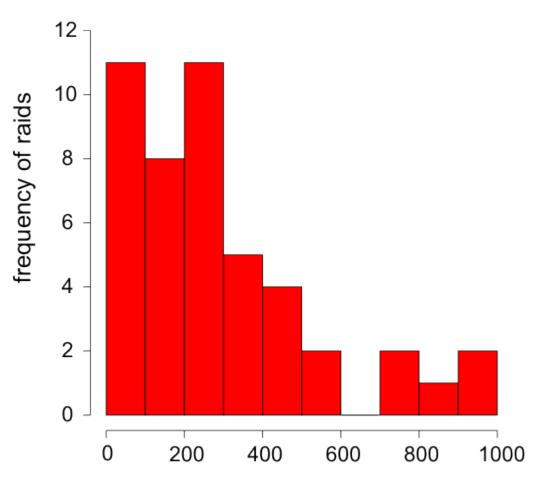
Size matters







Turkana war parties are large



no. of individuals in the raiding party

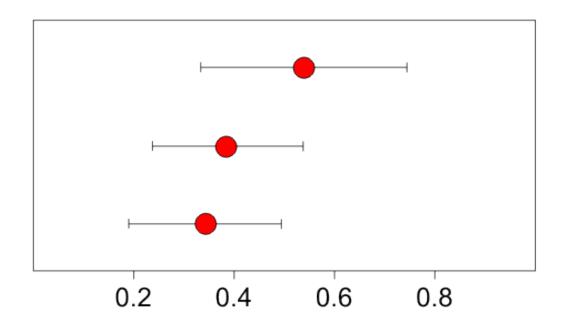


Free riding is common

loot sharing system failed

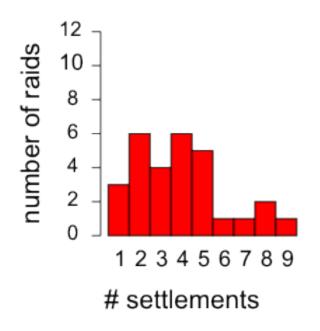
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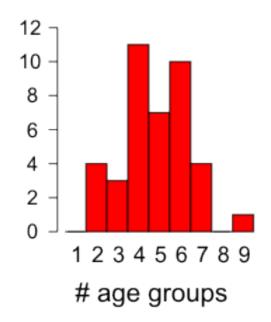
battlefield cowardice

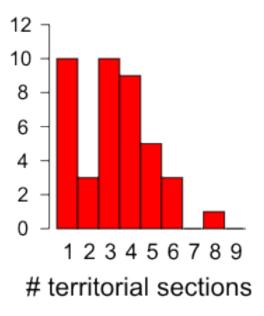


Proportion of force-raids

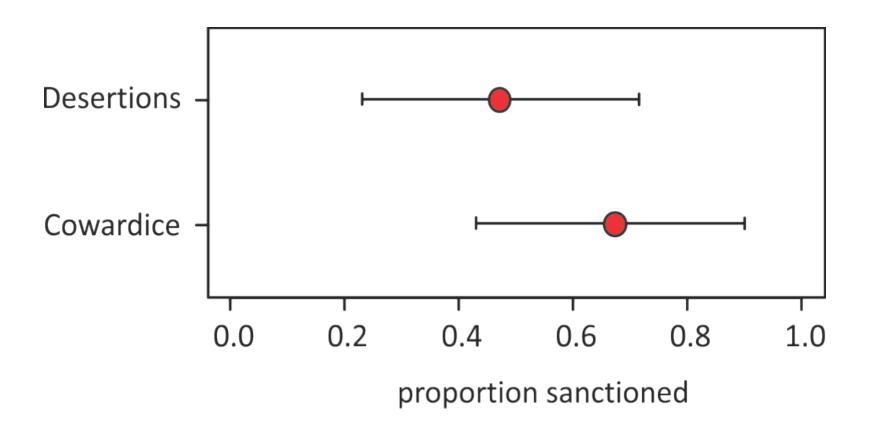
War parties include many strangers







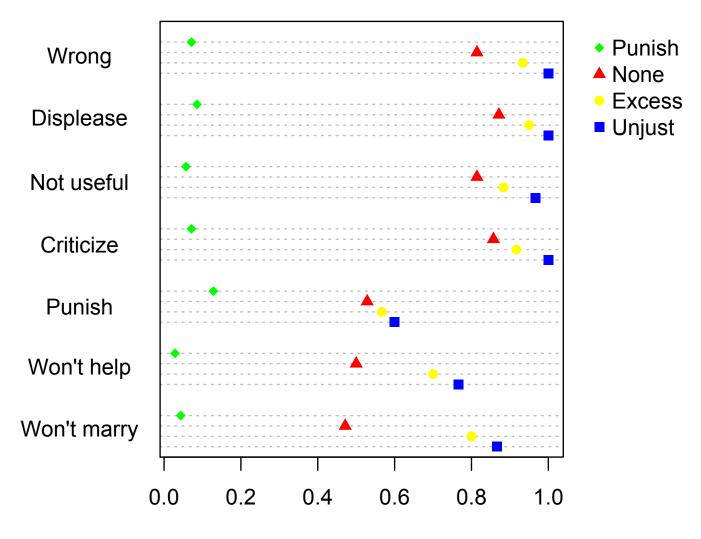
Free riders are punished by community





Why punish?

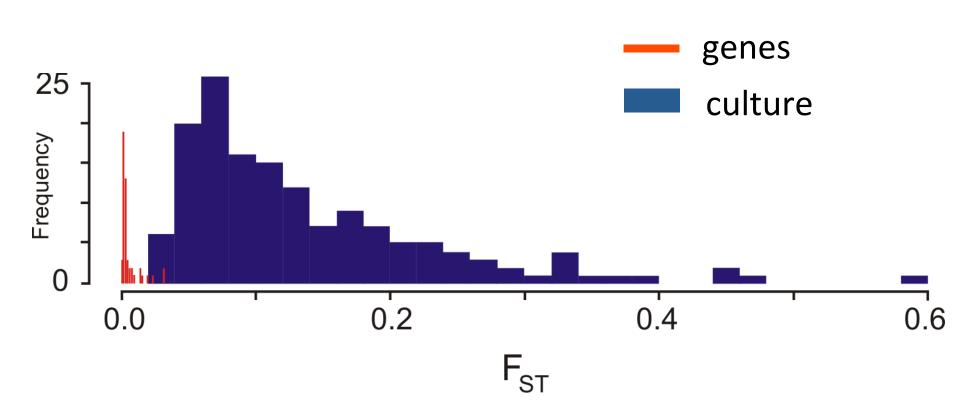




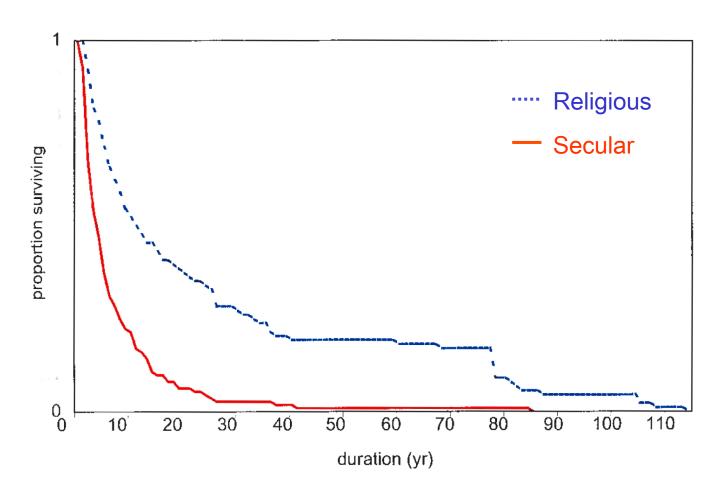
Proportion of affirmative responses

Norm content depends on equilibrium selection mechanisms

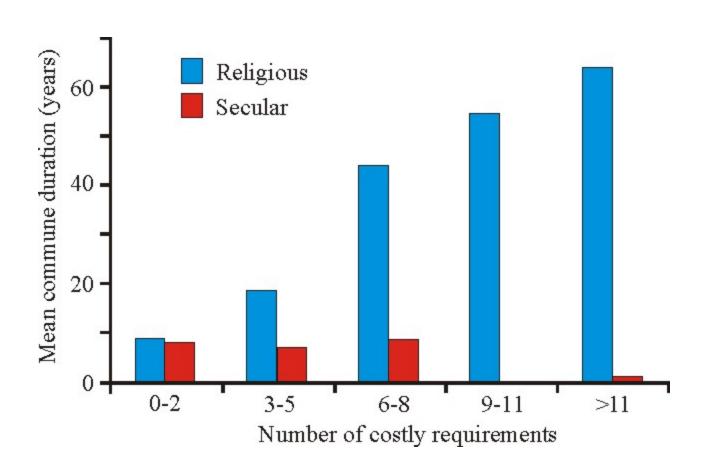
Much more cultural variation than genetic variation among contemporary nations



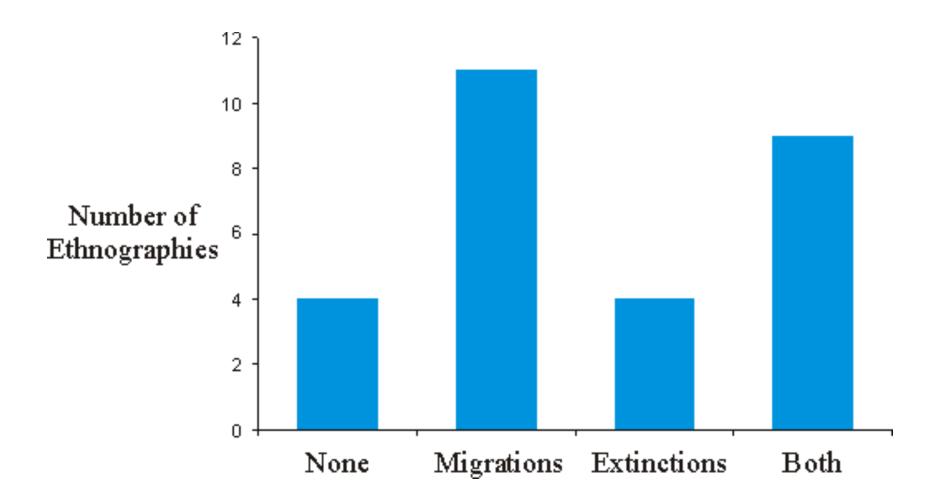
Religious belief enhances survival of utopian communities



More committed religious communes survive longer



Extinctions common in New Guinea



Nuer expansion an example of cultural group selection. 1800 Ethiopia Nuer Central African Republic Dinka Zaire Kenya Uganda

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KING'S COLLEDGE to Wit a practical Essay.

The D ke when marshalled in the tented field, To no aspiring enemy would deign to yeild; Shall be when dignified by Royal Favor Submit to insult by each......? No never! rb - c > 0 Kinship

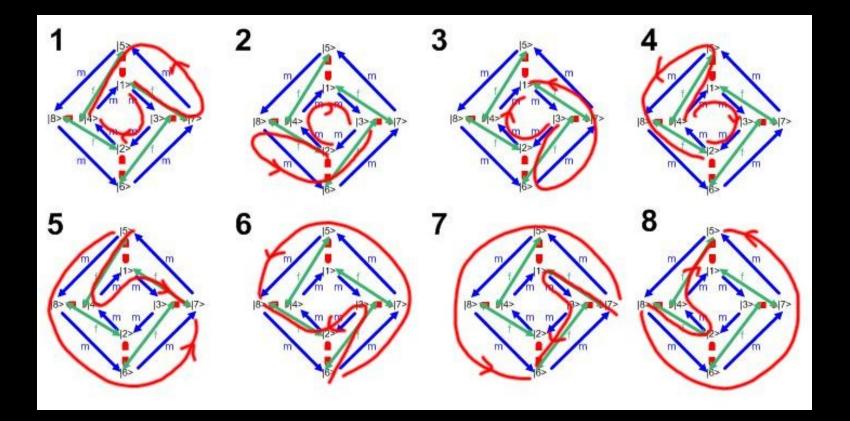
Reciprocity





Norms shape small-scale cooperation





Better monitoring

More serious consequences

Adjudication

Locally adapted rules



5000 fence posts and nardoo cakes

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