



LAWYER-CLADIST ANALOGY

evidence	data
convict	classify
innocent until proven guilty	assume homology
Occam's razor	parsimony
?	objective

LIFE FORM	CHARACTER STATES	CHARACTERS
	abcdef gh i jklmn	a: multiple incisors
Chimp	00000 00000 0000	b: head sculpture
Human	00000 00000 0000	c: colonial organisms
Ferengi	11011 00000 1011	d: poreless skin
Klingon	01011 00000 1011	e: aggressive
Borg	00111 00000 1011	f: telepathic
Betazoid	00000 10100 1011	g: teleport travel
Vulcan	00000 10110 1011	h: able to read minds
Q	00000 11000 1011	i: dreaded nerve pinch
Talosian	00000 11001 1011	j: 'bum' head
Andorian	00000 00000 0111	k: reproduction
		l: skin pigmentation
		m: hereditary molecule
		n: physiology


