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What do we mean by 'cognate'?

Both traditional and computational historical linguists typically treat cognacy as a binary relationship. Two words are cognate or they are not. But in fact, cognacy is a continuum. Two words might share only one segment that is traceable to a common ancestor, or they might perfectly continue the same inherited form, with no semantic, analogical, or derivational interference overtime. This paper explores the continuum of cognacy and the underlying historical processes that give rise to different levels of cognacy.

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