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- In Eukaryotic DNA Replication occurs in the S phase of the cell cycle.
- Eukaryotic DNA Replication is bidirectional occurring at the multiple sites simultaneously.
- The **Replication origins** are present in **clusters** called **Replication units**. In human ,there are about 100 ori of replication consisting of 1000 base pairs each.
- Each **replicon** consist of replication bubbles with two replication forks moving in opposite directions. **Replication** continues until the replication bubbles merge together.
- The mechanism is similar to that seen in prokaryotes.
- There are 5 different types of DNA polymerases which catalyze replication and repair . (Pol α , Pol β , Pol γ , Pol ϵ , Pol δ)





- Functions of proliferating cell nuclear antigen (PCNA): PCNA binds to DNA polymerase δ (function similar to polymerase III of E.Coli). The binding of PCNA to polymerase δ , increases enzyme processivity and starts replicating long stretches of deoxyribonucleotides.
- This process is called **polymerase switching** because polymerase δ replaces polymerase α .





