### Viral reproduction

Lytic & Lysogenic cycle

### Virus reproduction

- Viruses evolve and reproduce, but they are obligate intracellular parasites
- There are <u>4 main steps</u> to viral reproduction:
  - Virus attaches to cell and nucleic acid enters cell either injects DNA/RNA or whole virus enters cell
  - Replicate parts nucleic acid, capsid, envelope...=
    Synthesis
  - Assemble new viruses from parts
  - Cell lysis or viral **release** from infected cell
- Viruses infect bacteria by the lytic cycle or lysogenic cycle



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# Lytic Cycle (Viral Reproduction)

- virus attacks cell, kills it and releases more viruses right away - follows 4 steps of viral reproduction
- <u>Virulent</u>= how quickly a virus reproduces and is spread- tend to follow lytic cycle
- CAUSES the disease **right away**

#### Lytic cycle



• Lytic cycle

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=41aqxcxsX2 w&feature=related

Flu

<u>http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Rpj0emEGS</u> <u>hQ&feature=related</u>

# Lysogenic cycle (latent or hidden)

- lysogenic cycle: sometimes a virus doesn't kill host cell right away or immediately cause disease – coexist with host
  - virus stays dormant (as a prophage) in the cell for several generations

–Prophage = host DNA + virus DNA

- viral DNA gets copied at each replication of host cell – passed to offspring
- Later, the virus is activated or triggered and causes the disease by entering the lytic cycle
  - Trigger may be time, stress, other illness...

## Lysogenic vs. lytic cycle



## <u>Retroviruses</u>

- Has RNA as the genetic material
- RNA is converted into DNA copy inside the host cell by an enzyme called <u>reverse</u>
  <u>transcriptase</u>
- Follows the lysogenic pathway
- Can mutate easily hard to make vaccines for these ones
- Infects mainly animal cells
  - Ex. HIV, influenza