

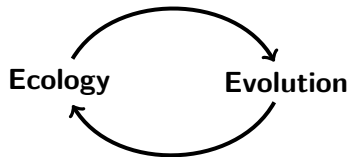
Écologie évolutive des populations structurées

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Eco-evolutionary feedback loop



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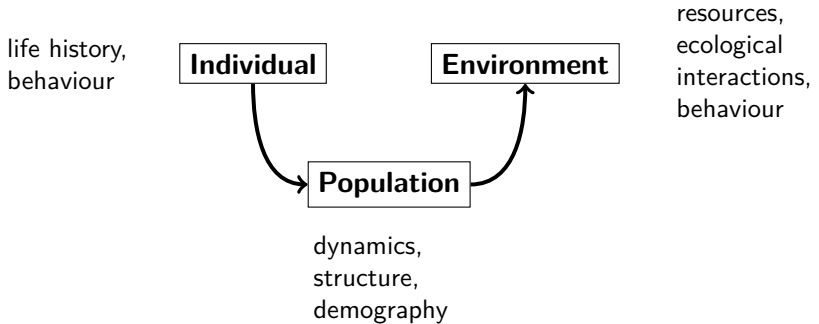
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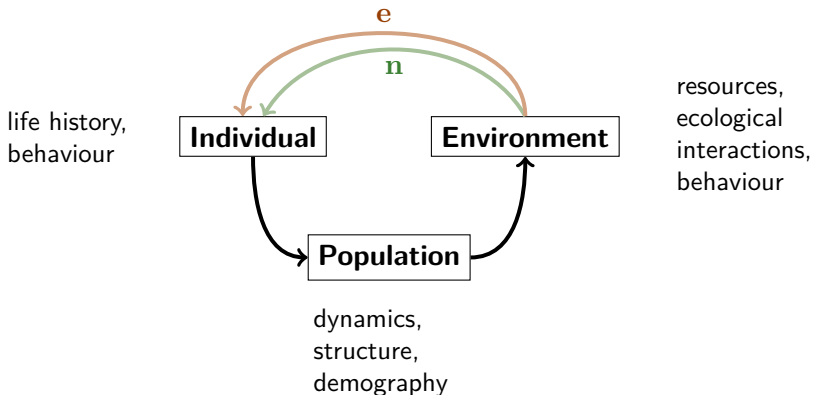
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- **Extrinsic effects** (e.g. density of resources, predators, prey...)

Prologue – models of eco-evolutionary dynamics

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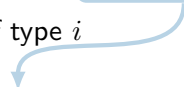
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Quantitative genetics

We can also focus on the dynamics of a focal trait, z

The average trait value is then

$$\bar{z} = \sum_i z_i f_i$$

with dynamics

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{d\bar{z}}{dt} &= \text{Cov}(z, r(\mathbf{E})) \\ &= V \beta_{zr}\end{aligned}$$

Environmental feedback will generally affect:

- the variance V (and the distribution) of the trait
- the selection gradient β_{zr} .

The Price equation

Now suppose we also consider **mutation**. Consider that

$$r_i(\mathbf{E}) = b_i(\mathbf{E}) - d_i(\mathbf{E})$$

and that mutation occurs with probability μ during reproduction, and that type i may mutate to type j with probability m_{ji} .

Then the change in mean trait takes the form

$$\frac{d\bar{z}}{dt} = \underbrace{\text{Cov}(z, r(\mathbf{E}))}_{\text{Selection}} + \underbrace{\mu \overline{b_i(\mathbf{E})} \delta_i}_{\text{Mutation}}$$

where

$$\text{Cov}(z, r(\mathbf{E})) = \sum_i z_i r_i(\mathbf{E}) f_i - \bar{z} \bar{r}(\mathbf{E}), \quad \text{and} \quad \delta_i = \sum_j m_{ji} z_j - z_i$$

is the difference between the trait of type i and the mean trait calculated over the mutation distribution.

Some notes on this Price equation

- Explicit dependence on the environment E
- The Price equation needs to be **coupled with equations describing how the environment changes** (e.g. density of the focal species, density of resource or predators, frequencies of the different types, etc.).
- The Price equation **does not provide new information**, but it does allow us to translate pop dynamics into phenotypic change
- **Additional assumptions (weak selection, gaussian distribution of traits)** can be used to make analytical progress by decoupling (to some extent) the dynamics of the mean trait from the environmental dynamics
Ex: calculating a **selection gradient** from the covariance term of the Price equation.

Change in trait variance

Most treatments stop at the change in the mean trait.

But we can derive Price equations for the change in the other moments of the trait distribution.

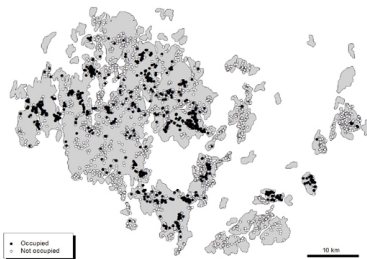
Variance dynamics:

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{dV}{dt} &= \text{Cov}((z - \bar{z})^2, r(\mathbf{E})) + \text{mutation} \\ &= \text{Cov}(z^2, r(\mathbf{E})) - 2\bar{z}\frac{d\bar{z}}{dt} + \text{mutation}\end{aligned}$$

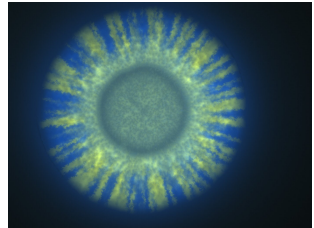
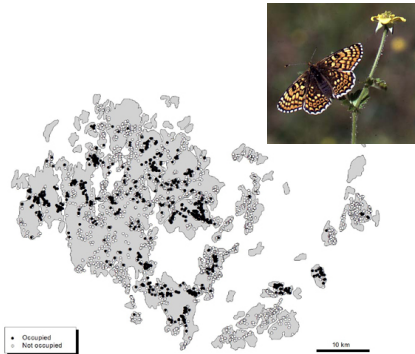
Again this equation is coupled with dynamical equations for \mathbf{E} .

What about population structure?

All natural populations are structured



Spatial structure



Class structure

Age/size structure



Physical morphs



A



B

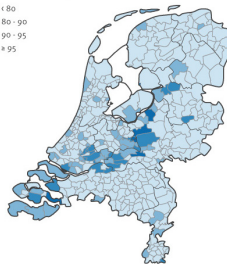


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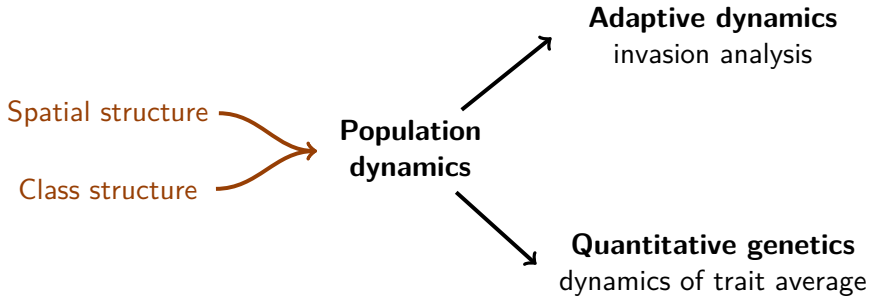


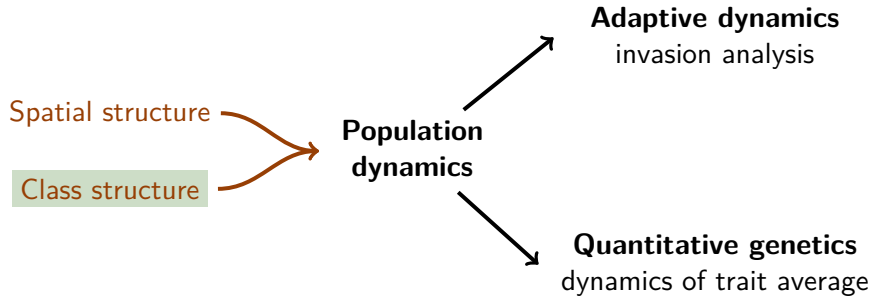
Developmental stages

Vaccination coverage (percentage)



Habitat quality





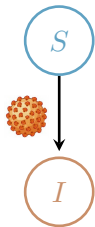
Part 1 – Class structure and reproductive value

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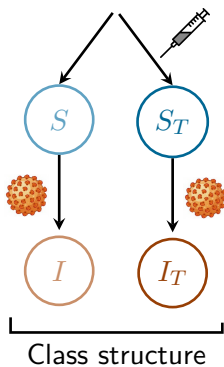
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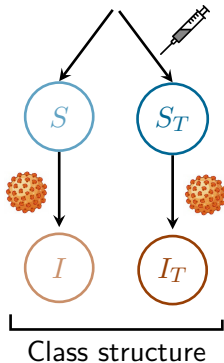
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Epidemiological consequences

- Pathogen spread may become more difficult when the frequency of bad-quality hosts increases
- ex: vaccinated or resistant hosts, hosts with fewer contacts with susceptible hosts

Evolutionary consequences

- Two pathogens with the **same genetic background** may have a different **fitness** in high- vs low-quality hosts



Problem: Can we give an “evolutionary value” to each host class?

We need to take into account this value to extract the effect of **selection** on the change in frequency of a given genotype.

Reproductive value plays this role.

Classical theory of reproductive value

Fisher's definition of reproductive value

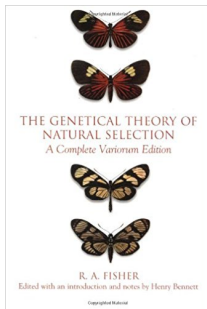


We may ask [...] —To what extent will persons of this age, on the average, contribute to the ancestry of future generations? The question is one of some interest, since the direct action of Natural Selection must be proportional to this contribution. [...] [B]y the analogy of compound interest the present value of the future offspring of persons aged x is easily seen to be

$$v_x = v_0 \frac{e^{mx}}{\ell_x} \int_x^{\infty} e^{-mt} \ell_t b_t dt.$$

Each age group may in this way be assigned its appropriate reproductive value.

Fisher (1930)



Fisher's RV

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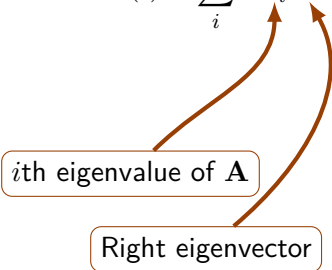
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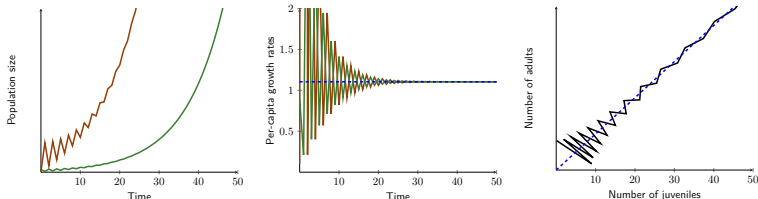
An easy demographic example

Two-classes: juveniles and adults

$$\begin{pmatrix} J(t+1) \\ A(t+1) \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & b \\ s_J & s_A \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} J(t) \\ A(t) \end{pmatrix}$$

- What are the long-term growth rate and class distribution?

$\Rightarrow \lambda_1, \mathbf{u}_1$



- What is the contribution of individuals of different classes to the future population size?

$\Rightarrow \mathbf{v}_1$

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For mutations of small phenotypic effect ε , we have the following approximation for the selection gradient:

$$\frac{d\lambda}{d\varepsilon} \approx \bar{\mathbf{v}}^\top \frac{d\mathbf{A}}{d\varepsilon} \bar{\mathbf{u}}$$

where $\bar{\mathbf{v}}$ and $\bar{\mathbf{u}}$ are the RV and class structure in the neutral model at equilibrium (when $\varepsilon = 0$).

The meanings of RV

Demography

Reproductive values give the relative contribution of individuals in a given class to the future of the (stable) population.

Evolution

RV can be viewed as an exchange rate to convert selective effects in different classes into a single currency.

⇒ Measure of how valuable a class is from the point of view of individuals of the focal species

RV in classical theory

Reproductive values are typically assumed to be **constant** and calculated in a stable population.

Some dynamical approaches to RV exist:

- **Crow 1979:** allele-specific, time-dependent RV, for a specific model
- **Tuljapurkar 1989:** RV is an explicit function of time; no connection to evolution
- **Rousset 2004:** RV calculated from a backward recursion; however, only the stationary value in a monomorphic population is of interest for the type of evolutionary questions he considers

Questions

- **What about non-equilibrium or transient dynamics?**

RV generally computed in exponentially growing or equilibrium populations (asymptotic definition).

- **What about polymorphic populations?**

Fisher's definition is purely demographic, it is not clear how genetic variation should be handled. Others have defined allele-specific RV (e.g. Crow 1979)

- **Reproductive values: what for?**

RV contains information about the future we're trying to predict. Is it really a useful concept?

Interlude

Summary so far

Demographic definitions of reproductive value

Relative contribution of individuals in a given class to the future of the population

- Continuous age structure (Fisher)

$$v_x = v_0 \frac{1}{e^{-mx} \ell(x)} \int_x^{\infty} e^{-ma} \ell(a) b(a) da$$

- Discrete class structure: left eigenvector of transition matrix

Use in evolutionary biology

Measure of the evolutionary quality of a given class

- Selection gradient (adaptive dynamics)

$$\frac{d\lambda}{d\varepsilon} = \bar{\mathbf{v}}^\top \frac{d\mathbf{A}}{d\varepsilon} \bar{\mathbf{u}}$$

Next step: a more general theory of RV

Two Price equations for class-structured populations

Basics

Assumptions:

- large population (no demographic stochasticity)
- M clonally reproducing types (polymorphism)
- K discrete classes (but result holds for continuous structure)
- continuous time (but result holds for discrete time)

Notations:

- n_i^k = density of type- i individuals in class k
- $n^k = \sum_{i=1}^M n_i^k$ = density of individuals in class k
- $\mathbf{n} = \begin{pmatrix} n^1 & \dots & n^K \end{pmatrix}^\top$ = vector of class densities
- r_i^{jk} = transition rates of i individuals from class k to class j .

Generally, the transition rates r_i^{jk} depend on the environment $\mathbf{E}(t)$ (densities of conspecifics, of competitors, of predators, etc.).

Ecological dynamics of class densities

$$\frac{d\mathbf{n}}{dt} = \mathbf{R}(\mathbf{E}(t))\mathbf{n}$$

where \mathbf{R} is the matrix of average transition rates

$$\bar{r}^{jk} = \sum_i r_i^{jk} \frac{n_i^k}{n^k} = \sum_i r_i^{jk} f_i^k$$

f_i^k is the frequency of type- i individuals within class k .

Many population dynamics studies on the field seek to estimate \mathbf{R} .

NB: in general, we need another equation for the dynamics of extrinsic factors, but I omit it for simplicity.

Adding the dynamics of frequencies

Full eco-evolutionary dynamics:

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{d\mathbf{n}(t)}{dt} &= \mathbf{R}(\mathbf{E}, t)\mathbf{n}(t) \\ \frac{df_i^k(t)}{dt} &= \sum_j \left(r_i^{kj}(\mathbf{E}, t)f_i^j(t) - \bar{r}^{kj}(\mathbf{E}, t)f_i^k(t) \right) \frac{f^j(t)}{f^k(t)}\end{aligned}$$

where $f^k = n^k/n$ is the frequency of class k .

Can we decouple selection from demography?

Average phenotypic trait

Consider a non-plastic trait z , with value z_i for type i .

- To study evolutionary change, we can look at the dynamics of the mean trait

$$\bar{z} = \sum_i z_i f_i$$

where $f_i = n_i/n$ is the frequency of type- i in the population

- We can also calculate this average as

$$\bar{z} = \sum_k \bar{z}^k f^k$$

where $\bar{z}^k = \sum_i z_i f_i^k$ is the mean trait in class k and $f^k = n^k/n$ is the frequency of class k

Class-structured Price equation

$$\frac{d\bar{z}}{dt} = \sum_k \text{cov}_k \left(z_i, \sum_j r_i^{jk} \right) f^k + \sum_k (\bar{z}^k - \bar{z}) \sum_j \bar{r}^{jk} f^k + \text{mutation bias}$$

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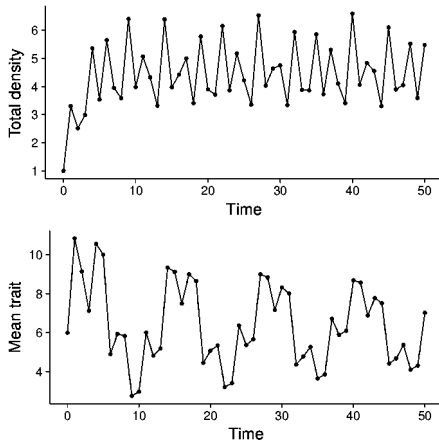
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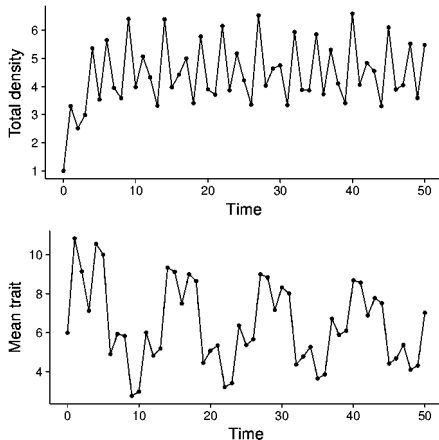
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Although the trait fluctuates in time, these changes are NOT due to selection, but to demographic transitions between classes.

How can we get rid of these “passive changes” and extract the signal of natural selection?

The trick is to extend an idea by Fisher and use a **weighted average**:

[...] instead of counting all individuals as of equal value in respect of future population, persons of each age are assigned an appropriate value v_x [...]



Let's **assign each individual a class-specific weight** $v^k(t)$. We can then compute the following weighted average:

$$\tilde{z}(t) = \sum_k v^k(t) \bar{z}^k(t) f^k(t) \quad (1)$$

with the normalisation $\sum_k v^k(t) f^k(t) = 1$.

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The two Price equations side by side

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Biological interpretation of the class weights

Suppose we sample a random gene at some time in the future and want to calculate the probability $c^k(t)$ that its ancestor is in class k at time t when we look backward in the past.

These probabilities satisfy the recursions (Rousset 2004)

$$\begin{aligned}c^k(t) &= \sum_j c^j(t+1) p(k, t | j, t+1) \\ &= \sum_j c^j(t+1) \frac{\bar{w}^{jk}(t) n^k(t)}{n^j(t+1)}\end{aligned}$$

Perhaps more intuitively, $c^k(t)$ measures the (relative) number of future descendants left by genes present in class k at time t
 \Rightarrow (class) reproductive value (at time t)

The interplay between demography and selection

Demography and selection

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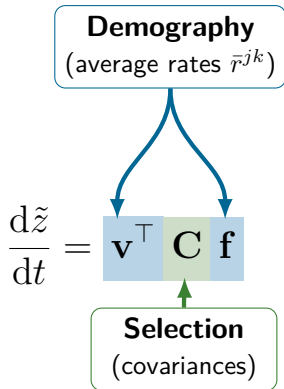
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Demography
(average rates \bar{r}^{jk})

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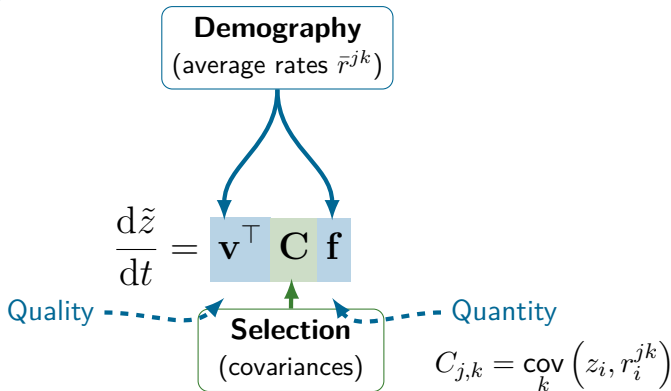
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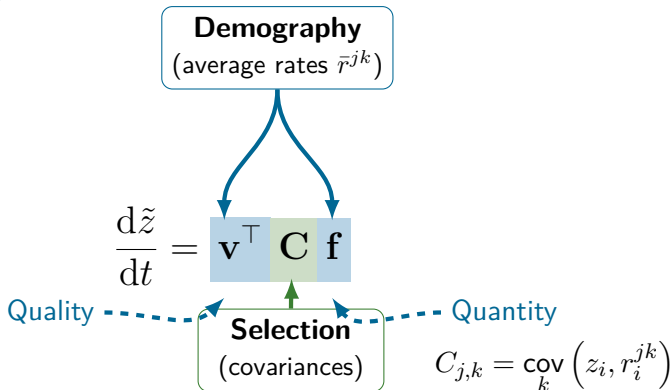


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Does not depend on any assumption on

- the trait distribution (no weak selection or rare mutant)
- the underlying population and environmental dynamics (non-linear dynamics, density-dependence...)

Dynamical equations for the demographic process

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where

$$\bar{r}(t) = \frac{1}{n} \frac{dn}{dt}$$

is the per-capita growth rate of the total population.

(Similar equations in discrete-time and for continuous population structure (ex: age))

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Reproductive values for predictive theoretical analyses

Predicting the future

Can we use the weighted Price equation:

$$\frac{d\tilde{z}}{dt} = \mathbf{v}^\top \mathbf{C} \mathbf{f}$$

to make predictions on evolution?

Problem: to calculate $\mathbf{v}(t)$, we need information about the whole future of the population, from t onwards.

Solution: separation of time scales between demography and evolution

Then, we can calculate the reproductive values on the ecological attractor of the population (e.g. fixed point, limit cycle), on which the future is to some extent predictable.

Equilibrium

Classical result of Evolutionary Game Theory
(Taylor 1990, Taylor & Frank 1996, Rousset 2004)

Two traits z_w and $z_m = z_w + \varepsilon$.

For small values of ε (weak selection),

$$\frac{d\tilde{z}}{dt} = \sigma_{zz} \hat{\mathbf{v}}^\top \frac{d\mathbf{R}_m}{d\varepsilon} \hat{\mathbf{f}} + O(\varepsilon^3)$$

where

- $\hat{\mathbf{v}}$ and $\hat{\mathbf{f}}$ are calculated at equilibrium in the monomorphic resident population
- \mathbf{R}_m is the matrix of mutant per-capita growth rates r_m^{jk} .
- σ_{zz} is the trait variance in the population

Periodic attractor

Consider a monomorphic population that has settled on a limit cycle with period T .

For weak selection, the average change in mean trait over one period is approximately proportional to

$$\mathcal{S} = \frac{1}{T} \int_0^T \hat{\mathbf{v}}^\top(t) \frac{d\mathbf{R}_m(t)}{d\varepsilon} \hat{\mathbf{f}}(t) dt.$$

The RV and class frequencies are time-dependent and computed on the resident periodic attractor.

(see Part 2 of this lecture)

General quasi-equilibrium argument

Under weak selection, we have a separation of time scales:

- **Slow variables** (Evolution): mean trait \bar{z} , frequency of type i
- **Fast variables** (Demography): ecological densities, class frequencies, reproductive values

We can thus use quasi-equilibrium arguments to calculate the short- and long-term change in the slow evolutionary variables.

Reproductive values for retrospective data analyses

A potential application for field studies

Suppose we study a real population for which we know:

- the mean traits in each class $\bar{z}^k(t)$
- the class densities $n^k(t)$
- the average fitnesses $\bar{w}^{jk}(t)$.

We can use this data to compute the reproductive values at each time t .

Plotting the weighted trait average will then give us an estimate of the effect of **natural selection** on the change in mean trait, **after elimination of the passive changes**

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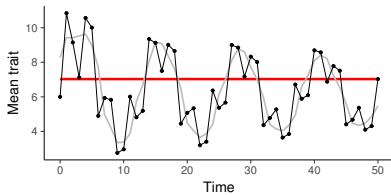
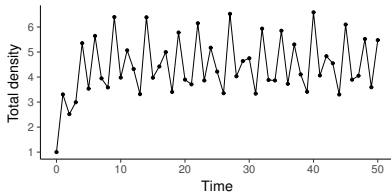
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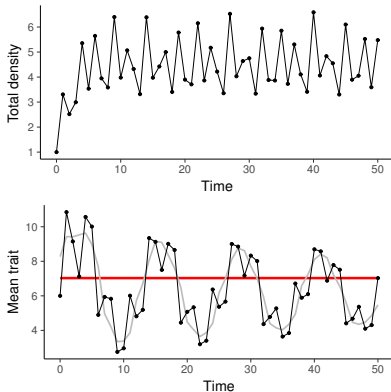
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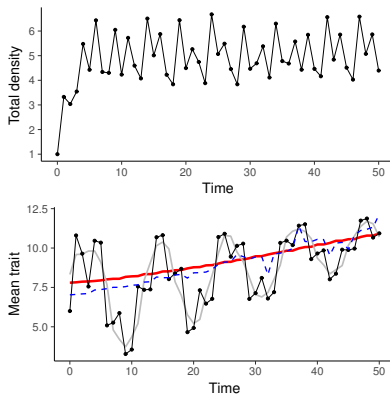
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What about Fisher's RV?

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if the weights (=RV) satisfy the following PDE

$$\frac{\partial v}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial v}{\partial a} = -\bar{b}(a, t)v(0, t) + \bar{d}(a, t)v(a, t) + \bar{r}(t)v(a, t)$$

and the $f(a, t)$ satisfy an adjoint equation

see also Bacaër & Abdurahman (2008)

Back to Fisher

Assume **time-independent** birth and death rates $b(a)$ and $d(a)$.

The population is then characterised by a stable growth rate \bar{r} , a stable age structure $f(a)$ and a stable distribution of RV $v(a)$, given by:

$$v(a) = v(0) \frac{e^{\bar{r}a}}{\ell(a)} \int_a^\infty e^{-\bar{r}s} \ell(s) \bar{b}(s) ds$$

where $\ell(s) = \exp(-\int_0^s \bar{d}(x) dx)$.

This is Fisher's original definition of RV, but with an explicit dependence on average birth and death rates.

(see also Day et al, Evolution, 2011 for an extension to time-dependent vital rates using a quasi-equilibrium approximation)

Take-home messages for Part 1

- RV-weighting can be used to eliminate “**passive changes in mean trait**” caused by demographic transitions between classes.
- For general ecological scenarios, RV need to be defined:
 - ▶ as **time-dependent weights**;
 - ▶ at a purely **demographic** level, by averaging vital rates within each class over the distribution of genotypes.
- The individual RV and class frequencies satisfy **coupled dynamical equations** representing the forward and backward ways of looking at population demography.
- Selection is captured by a matrix of **covariances** between the trait and the transition rates

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... and references therein

Summary so far

We have seen that a good measure of natural selection can be derived using reproductive-value weighting.

The RV-weighted average changes as follows:

$$\frac{d\tilde{z}}{dt} = \mathbf{v}^\top \mathbf{C} \mathbf{f}$$

The diagram illustrates the components of the equation $\frac{d\tilde{z}}{dt} = \mathbf{v}^\top \mathbf{C} \mathbf{f}$. The term \mathbf{v}^\top is labeled "Quality" with a dashed blue arrow pointing to it. The term \mathbf{f} is labeled "Quantity" with a dashed blue arrow pointing to it. The term \mathbf{C} is highlighted with a green background and is labeled "Selection (covariances)" in a green box below it, with a solid green arrow pointing up to it. Dashed blue arrows also connect "Quality" and "Quantity" to the "Selection" box, indicating their interaction.

For small mutational effect, the RHS yields the selection gradient.

Part 2 – Periodic environmental fluctuations

- One interesting application of time-dependent RVs is when the quality of each class varies over time due to environmental fluctuations.
- In adaptive dynamics, evolution in periodic environments is analysed by calculating the **Floquet exponent** of a rare mutant.
- For class-structured populations, this is often only achievable through **numerical integration**.
- With time-dependent RVs, it is possible to go one step further and have an **analytical expression of the selection gradient**.

General theory

Floquet analysis

For a rare mutant appearing in a resident population on its periodic attractor, the dynamics of the mutant are summarised by a matrix

$$\mathbf{R}_m(\mathbf{E}_w, t)$$

To calculate the invasion fitness, one numerically integrates the following matrix equation:

$$\frac{d\mathbf{X}}{dt} = \mathbf{R}_m(\mathbf{E}_w, t)\mathbf{X}$$

over one period $[t_0, t_0 + T]$ with initial condition $\mathbf{X}(t_0) = \mathbf{I}$.

The eigenvalues of $\mathbf{X}(t_0 + T)$ are called the Floquet multipliers. The invasion fitness is then given by the Floquet exponent

$$\rho(z_m, z_w) = \frac{1}{T}\mu$$

where μ is the dominant Floquet multiplier.

Alternative approach

For most realistic models, the Floquet exponent can only be calculated numerically.

I will now show how we can use the idea of reproductive-value weighting to calculate an approximation of the invasion fitness under weak selection.

Dynamics of RV-weighted mutant frequency

Suppose for simplicity that we have only two types: w and m .

Instead of looking at the change in mean trait, we directly track the dynamics of the frequency of the mutant type:

$$\tilde{f}_m(t) = \sum_k v^k(t) f_m^k(t) f^k(t)$$

We obtain:

$$\frac{d\tilde{f}_m}{dt} = \sum_j \underbrace{f_m^j(t)(1 - f_m^j(t))}_{\text{genetic variance}} \sum_k v^k(t) (r_m^{kj}(\mathbf{E}, t) - r_w^{kj}(\mathbf{E}, t)) f^j(t)$$

together with

$$\frac{dn^k}{dt} = \sum_j \bar{r}^{kj}(\mathbf{E}, t) n^j(t)$$

Weak selection

We now write the vital rates as explicit functions of the phenotypes:

$$r_m^{kj}(\mathbf{E}, t) = r^{kj}(z_m, \mathbf{E}, t)$$

For weak selection ($z_m = z_w + \varepsilon$), we have

$$r^{kj}(z_m, \mathbf{E}, t) - r^{kj}(z_w, \mathbf{E}, t) = \varepsilon \frac{\partial r^{kj}}{\partial z_m}(z_w, \mathbf{E}, t) + O(\varepsilon^2)$$

and

$$\bar{r}^{kj}(\mathbf{E}, t) = r^{kj}(z_w, \mathbf{E}, t) + O(\varepsilon)$$

Separation of time scales

Fast variables

$$\frac{d\mathbf{n}}{dt} = \mathbf{R}_w(\mathbf{E}, t) + O(\varepsilon)$$

The class densities are fast variables and converge towards the resident periodic attractor: $\hat{\mathbf{n}}(t)$.

Also true of class frequencies and RVs: $\hat{\mathbf{f}}(t)$ and $\hat{\mathbf{v}}(t)$.

Slow variable

In contrast, the RV-weighted mutant frequency is a slow variable:

$$\frac{d\tilde{f}_m}{dt} = \varepsilon \tilde{f}_m(1 - \tilde{f}_m)\mathcal{S}(t) + O(\varepsilon^2)$$

where

$$\mathcal{S}(t) = \sum_j \sum_k \hat{v}^k(t) \frac{\partial r^{kj}}{\partial z_m}(z_w, \hat{\mathbf{E}}, t) \hat{f}^j(t)$$

Averaging principle

Under weak selection, we can iron out the fluctuations in $\mathcal{S}(t)$. We obtain:

$$\frac{d\tilde{f}_m}{dt} = \varepsilon \tilde{f}_m (1 - \tilde{f}_m) \langle \mathcal{S} \rangle + O(\varepsilon^2)$$

The direction of selection is then given by

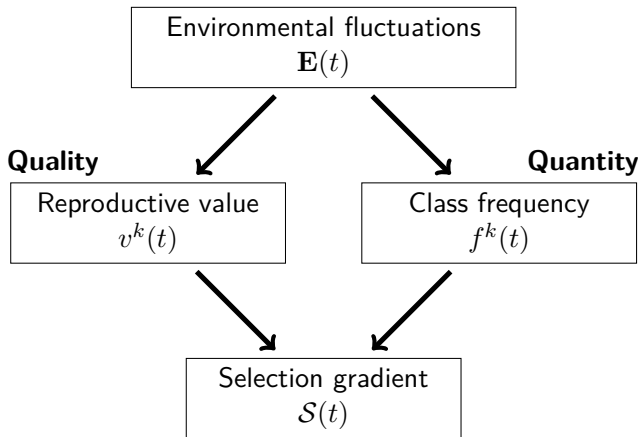
$$\langle \mathcal{S} \rangle = \left\langle \sum_j \sum_k \hat{v}^k(t) \frac{\partial r^{kj}}{\partial z_m}(z_w, \hat{\mathbf{E}}, t) \hat{f}^j(t) \right\rangle$$

(average over one period of the resident attractor)

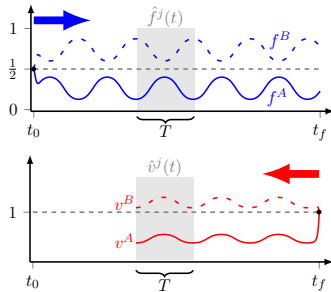
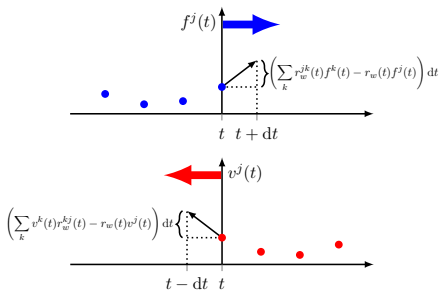
- Same form as the selection gradient for equilibrium dynamics
- Potential endpoints of evolution are given by the zeros of $\langle \mathcal{S} \rangle$
- “Invasion implies fixation”

Geritz (2005); Priklopil & Lehmann (2019, class-structured); Cai & Geritz (2020, random environments)

Quantity vs Quality



Calculating the class frequencies and reproductive values



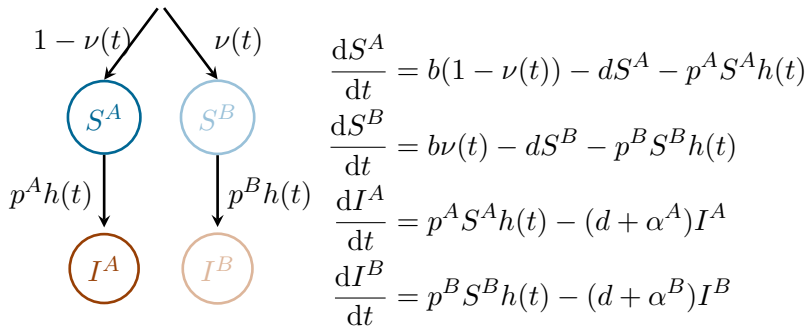
Summary so far...

- The selection gradient for periodic environments can be simply obtained by making the equilibrium selection gradient time-dependent and taking the average over one period [not true for invasion fitness!!]
- Benefit: we retain the biological insightful concept of RV.
- Downside: the calculation of $\hat{v}^k(t)$ and $\hat{f}^k(t)$ is often only possible through numerical integration.
[but also true for Floquet approach]

Applications to evolutionary epidemiology

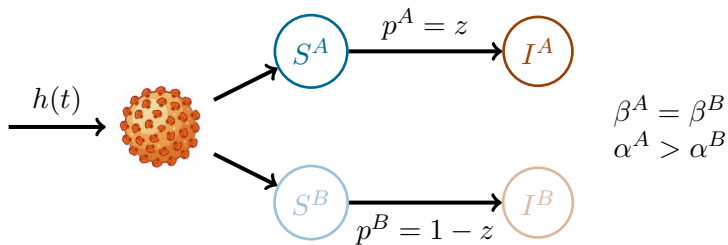
A two-host model

Epidemiological dynamics

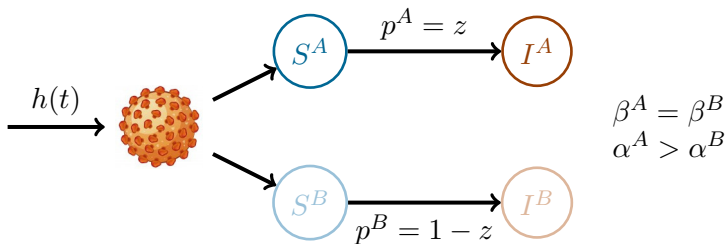


with $h(t) = \beta^A I^A(t) + \beta^B I^B(t)$ the force of infection
and $\nu(t)$ the periodic probability of production of A hosts.

Example 1: evolution of host preference



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Should the pathogen prefer the good or the bad host?

The answer is not obvious because it depends on the availability of each host class, which can fluctuate.

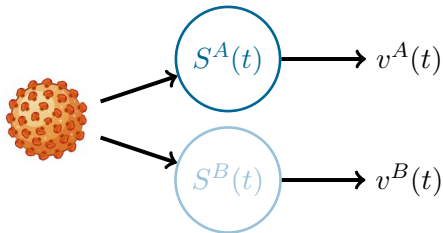
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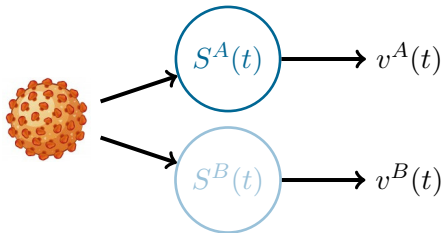
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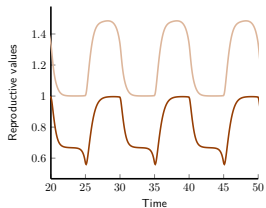
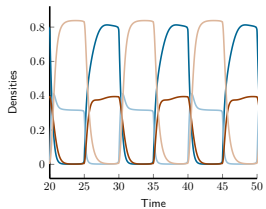
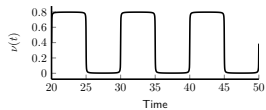
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The pathogen will evolve preference for host class A if its average reproductive output is larger in class A than in class B :

$$\langle v^A S^A \rangle > \langle v^B S^B \rangle$$

Fast time scale



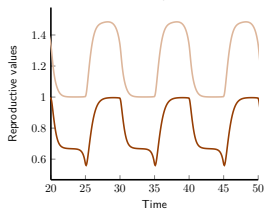
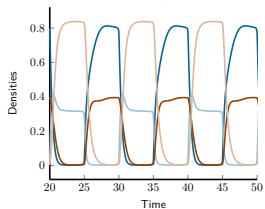
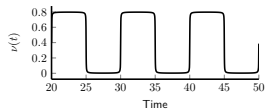
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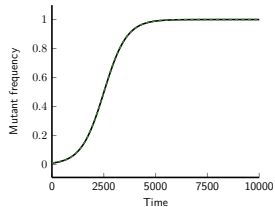
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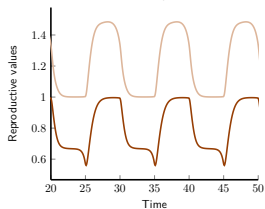
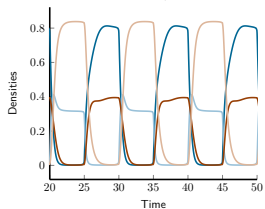
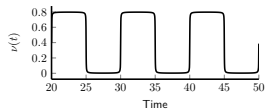
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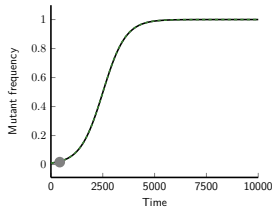
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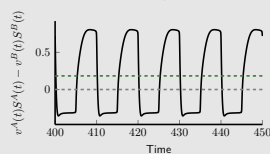
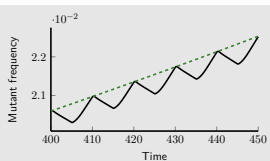
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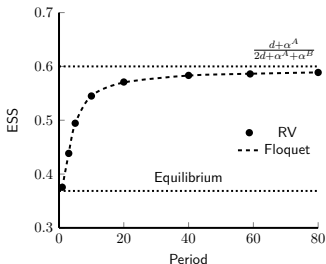
Let's zoom in:



ESS as a function of period

At the ESS:

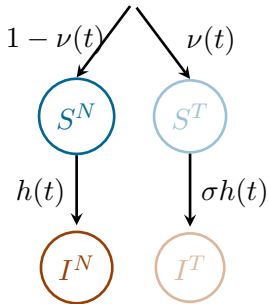
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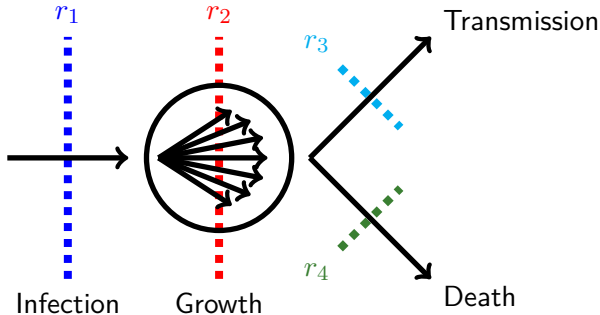
- **When T is small**, ESS is close to prediction of constant model
⇒ host preference is biased towards the B host, which suffers less from the infection
- **When T is large**, the opposite strategy can be selected
⇒ host preference is biased towards the host where the pathogen has lower duration of infection.

Example 2: evolution of virulence in response to periodic treatments

Treated hosts (e.g. vaccinated) represent a low-quality habitat for the parasite.

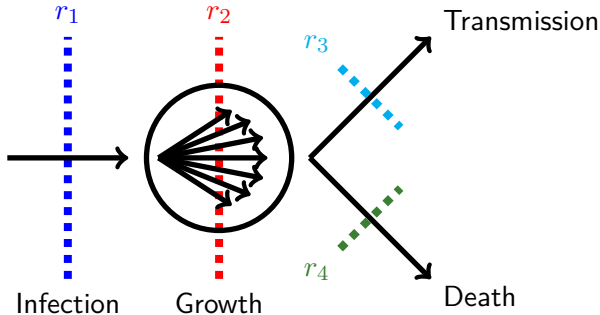


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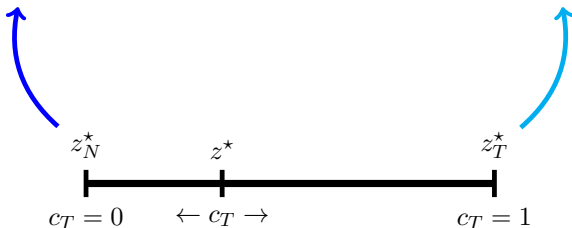
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Vaccine types and evolution

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Anti-transmission vaccine

$$\beta_T = (1 - r)\beta_N \quad \Rightarrow \quad \mathcal{S}_N = \mathcal{S}_T$$

Hence anti-transmission vaccines have no effect on pathogen life-history traits ($z^* = z_N^*$)

Anti-virulence vaccine

$$\alpha_T = (1 - r)\alpha_N$$

Vaccines that reduce the short-term effects of virulence in infected hosts should select for higher virulence in the long run.

This effect will be stronger when c_T is large.

Periodic environment

What happens if vaccination coverage fluctuates over time?

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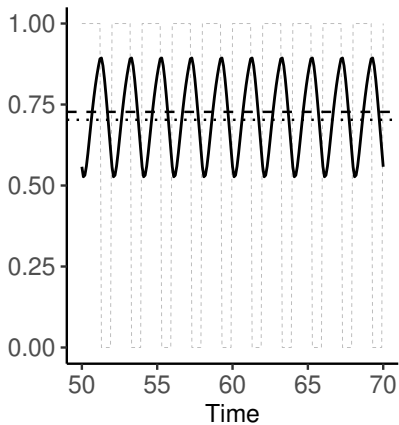
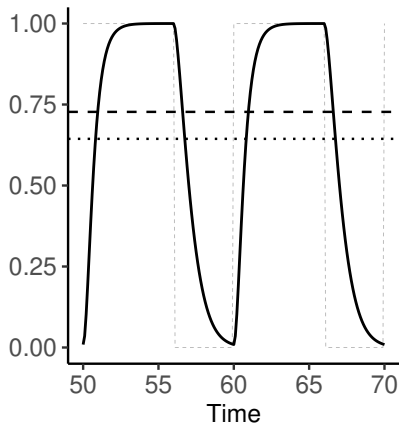
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Again, we have $\mathcal{S}_N = \mathcal{S}_T$, and therefore no effect.

Anti-virulence vaccine

Again, the ESS is somewhere between the optimum for a fully naive population and that of a fully treated population.

But now, the exact position depends only on the **mean class reproductive value of treated hosts**, $\langle c_T \rangle$.

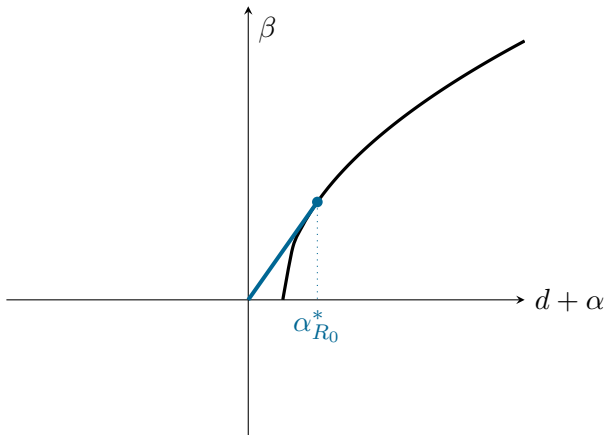
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——— $c_T(t)$

----- c_T^e (equilibrium value)
..... $\langle c_T \rangle$

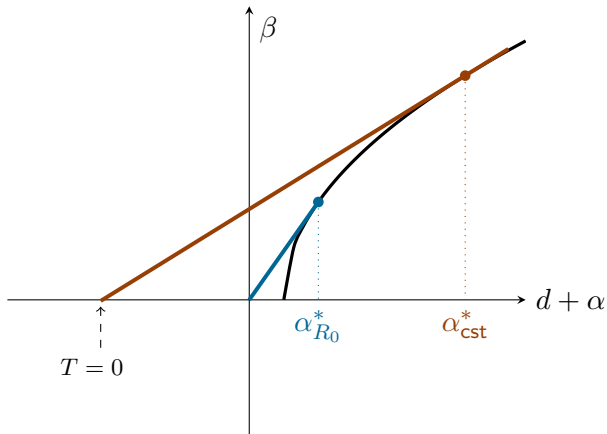
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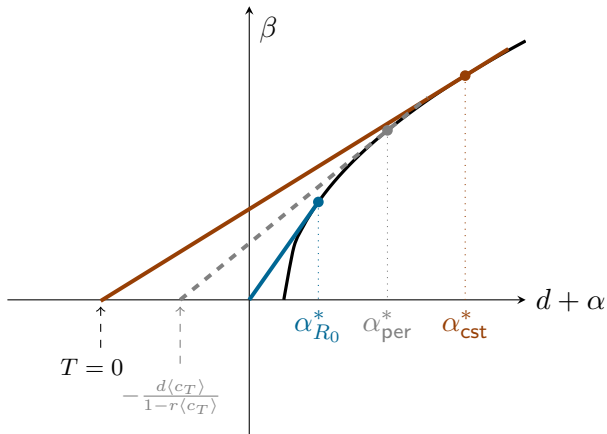
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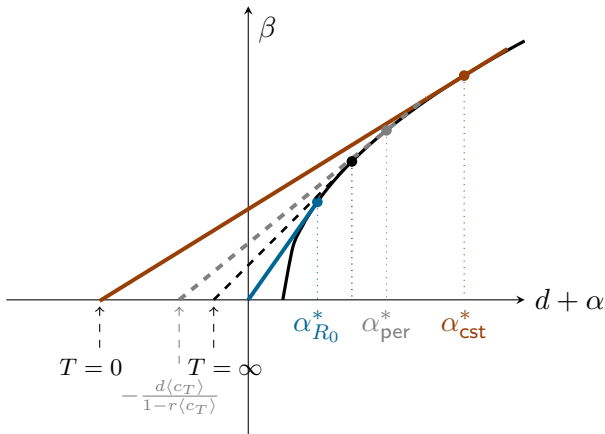
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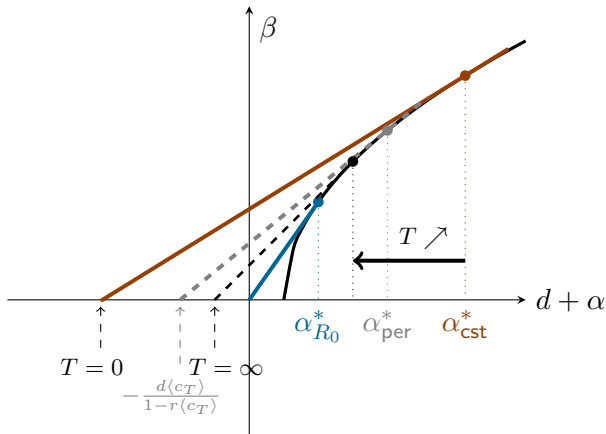
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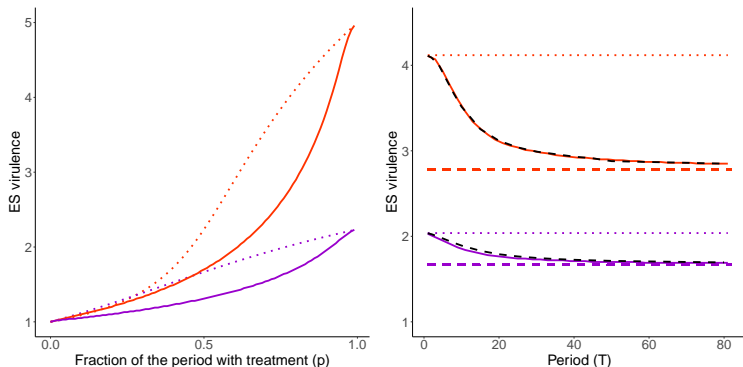


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Fluctuations in vaccination coverage tend to mitigate the negative effects of imperfect vaccines.

Lower bound:

$$\text{for } \beta(z) = \beta_0 \frac{z}{1+z}, \quad z^* = \frac{1}{1-pr}$$

Take-home messages for Part 2

- The selection gradient for periodic environments can be simply obtained by making the equilibrium selection gradient time-dependent and taking the average over one period [not true for invasion fitness!!]
- The general approach can be applied to structured epidemiological models with complex dynamics.
- This allows for a direct analytical comparison with equilibrium expressions of the selection gradient.

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Part 3 – Transient dynamics and polymorphism

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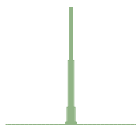
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Under weak selection (small variance):



Trait distribution

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cf Abrams et al 1993, Abrams & Matsuda 1997

Separation of time scales

The diagram illustrates the separation of time scales between ecological dynamics and selection gradient. It features two equations with arrows indicating dependencies between their terms.

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Ecological dynamics

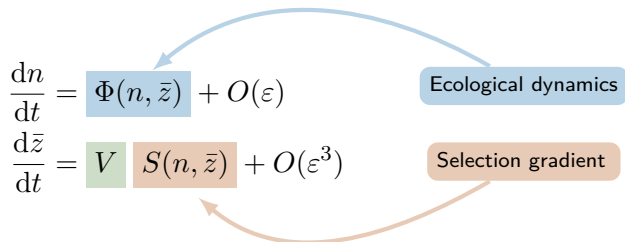
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Selection gradient

A blue curved arrow points from the \bar{z} term in the first equation to the \bar{z} term in the second equation. An orange curved arrow points from the $S(n, \bar{z})$ term in the second equation back to the $\Phi(n, \bar{z})$ term in the first equation.

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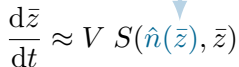
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Quasi-equilibrium approximation:

on the slow time scale \bar{z} changes subject to the constraint

$$\Phi(n, \bar{z}) = 0 \quad \Leftrightarrow \quad n = \hat{n}(\bar{z})$$

As a result:

$$\frac{d\bar{z}}{dt} \approx V S(\hat{n}(\bar{z}), \bar{z})$$


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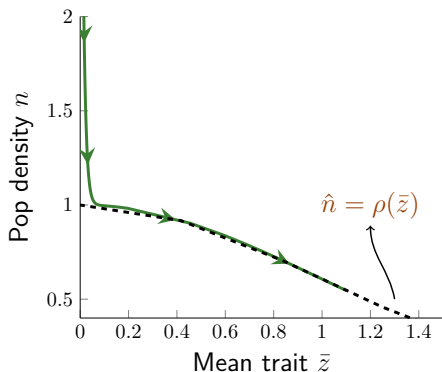
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$\Phi(n, \bar{z})$

$S(n, \bar{z})$

Hence, for narrow unimodal trait distributions in unstructured populations, we have a good idea of how to proceed.

In this talk, I will examine how this picture is altered by two complications:

- multimodal trait distributions
- population structure

Multimodality and time scales

Densities and trait distribution

Densities

$n(z, t)$ Density of individuals with trait z at time t

$n(t)$ Total density of individuals at time t

$$n(t) = \int n(z, t) dz$$

Trait distribution

Frequency of individuals with trait z at time t

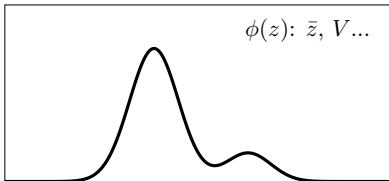
$$\phi(z, t) = \frac{n(z, t)}{n(t)}$$

Our aim is to understand the joint (eco-evo) dynamics of $n(t)$ and $\phi(z, t)$.

Multi-morph decomposition

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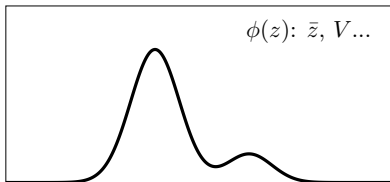
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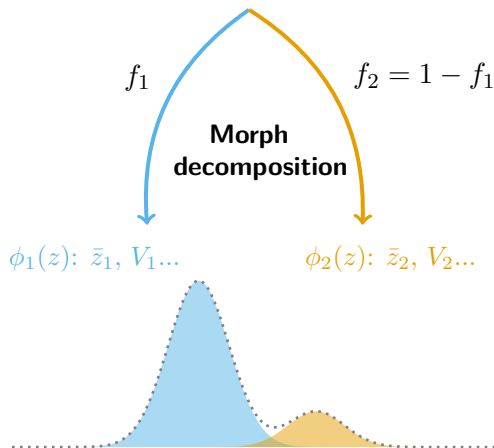
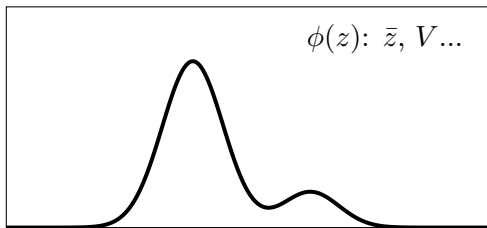
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$$\phi(z, t) = \sum_{i=1}^M \phi_i(z, t) f_i(t)$$

where

- $\phi_i(z, t)$ is the trait distribution of morph i at time t
- $f_i(t)$ is the frequency of morph i



Moments

Population-level moments ($\phi(z, t)$)

$\bar{z}(t)$ Mean trait value at time t

$V(t)$ Trait variance at time t

$T(t)$ Third central moment at time t

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Typically, we consider symmetric morph distributions ($T_i = 0$) but allow for non-symmetric distributions at the pop. level ($T \neq 0$).

Moment closure

If, **at the morph level**, higher-order moments are negligible or can be approximated using moment closure approximations (e.g. Gaussian closure), a morph can be characterised at time t by

- its **relative abundance** (e.g. its frequency $f_i(t)$)
- its **position** (e.g. the morph mean $\bar{z}_i(t)$)
- its **width** (e.g. the morph standard deviation ($\sqrt{V_i(t)}$))

In this talk, I will simply assume Gaussian closure **at the morph level**.

Dynamics

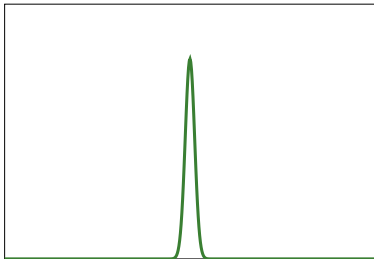
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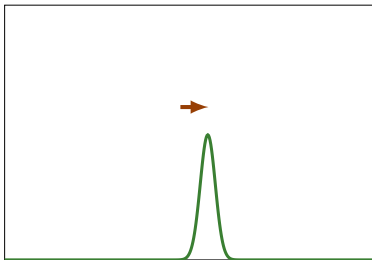
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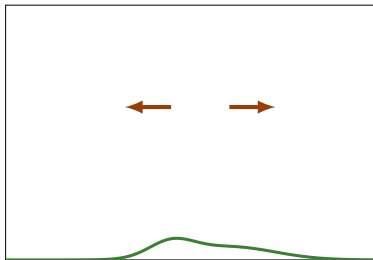
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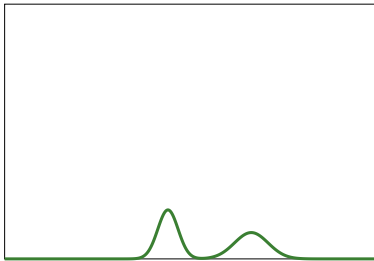
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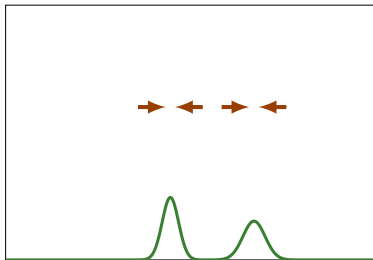
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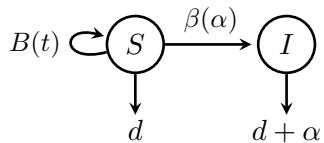
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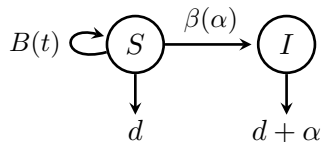
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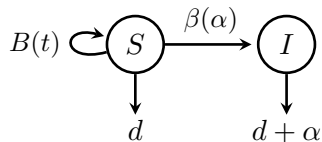
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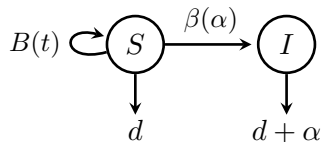
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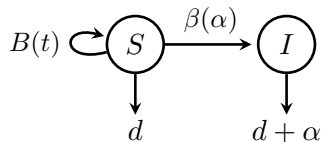
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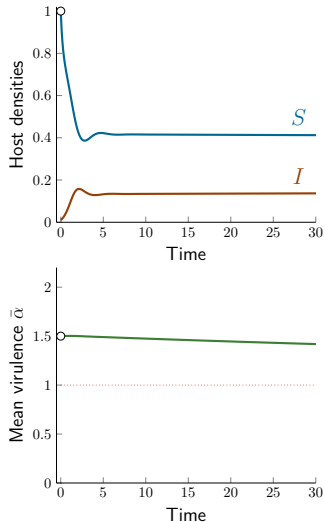
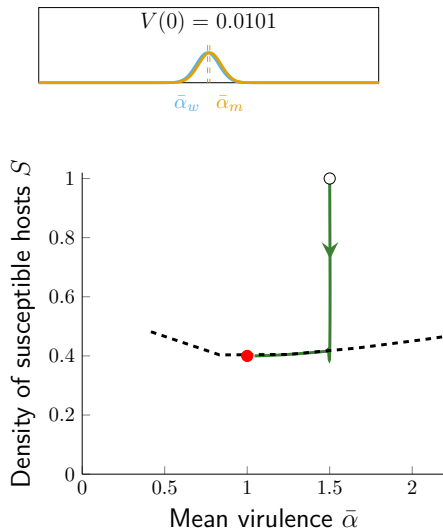
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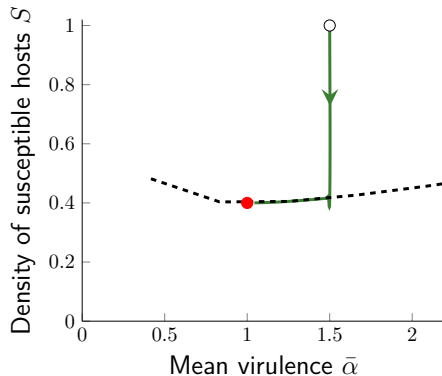
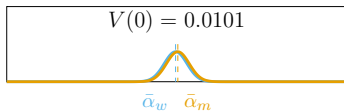
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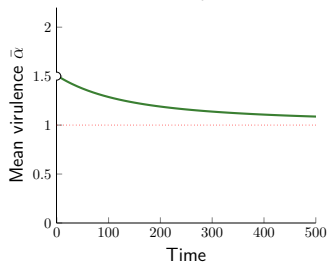
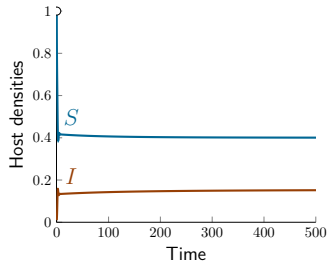
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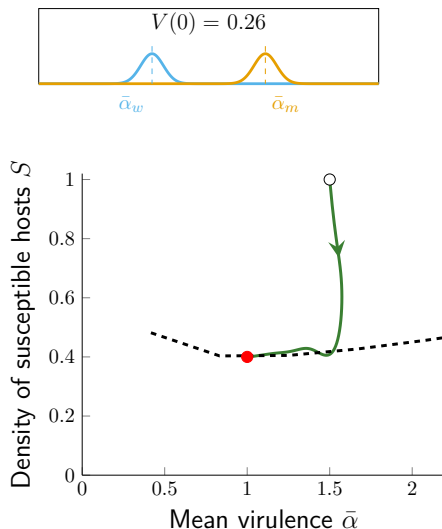


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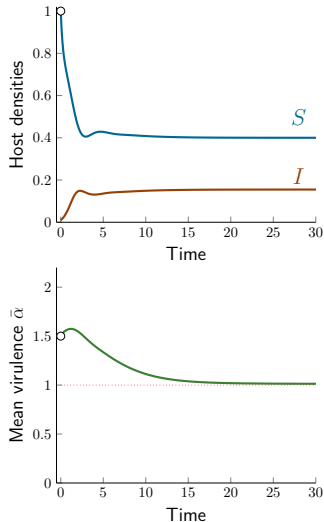


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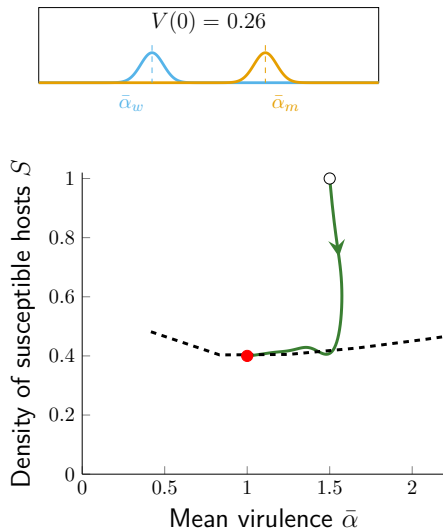


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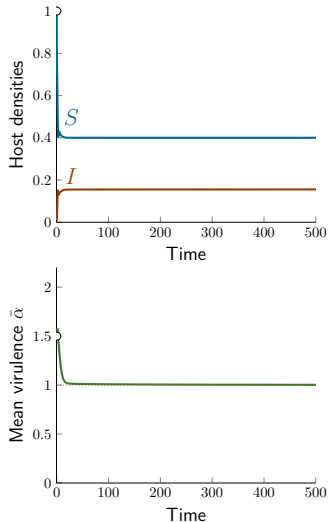


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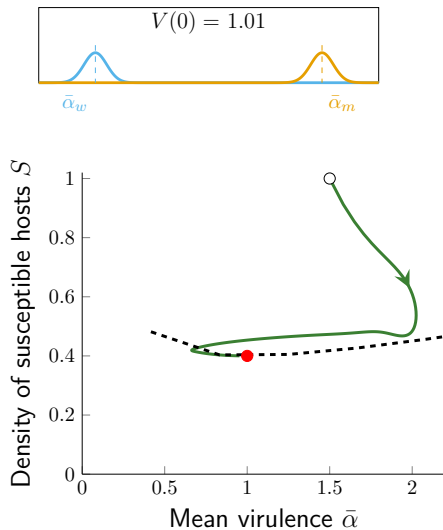


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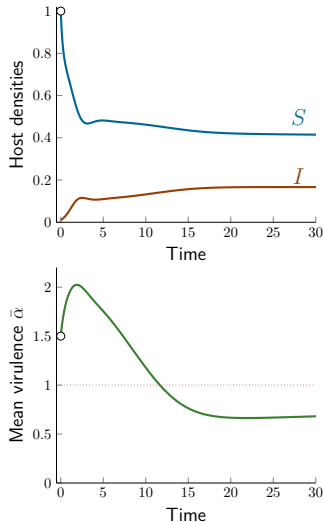


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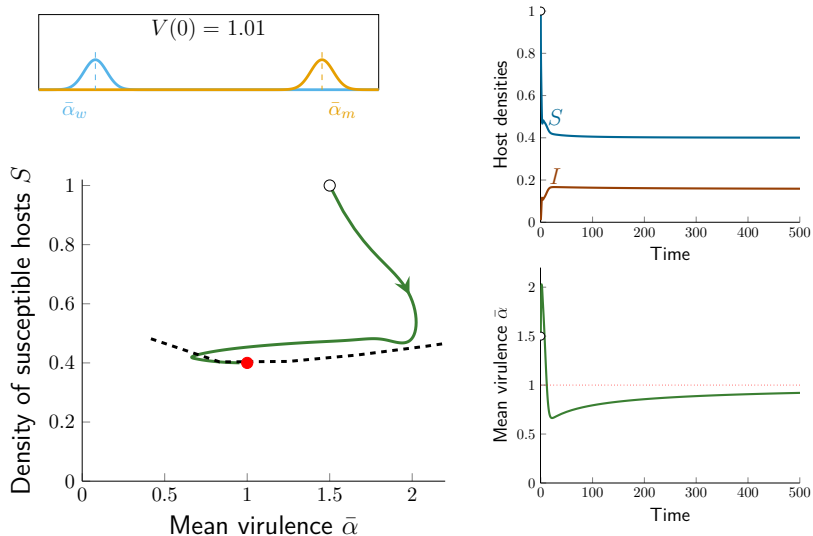


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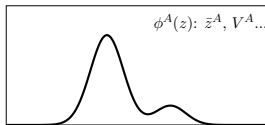
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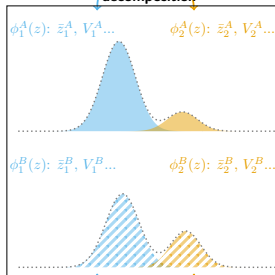
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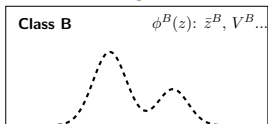
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(Class-structured version of the replicator equation)

Morph-specific frequencies: different definitions

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Note the difference:

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Projection on RV space

To reduce the dimension of the system, we attempt to aggregate the dynamics at the morph level.

RV-weighted distribution

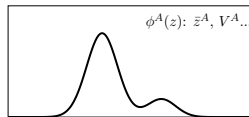
We use the following weighted distribution:

$$\tilde{\phi}_i(z, t) = \sum_k c_i^k(t) \phi_i^k(z, t)$$

and we derive the dynamics of the moments of this distribution.

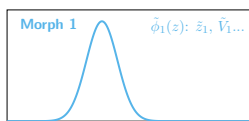
The weights are the *class* reproductive values:

$$c_i^k(t) = v_i^k(t) u_i^k(t)$$

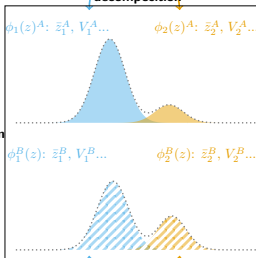


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Morph decomposition



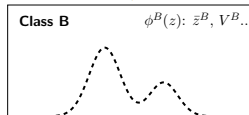
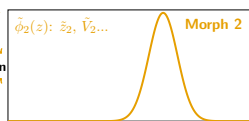
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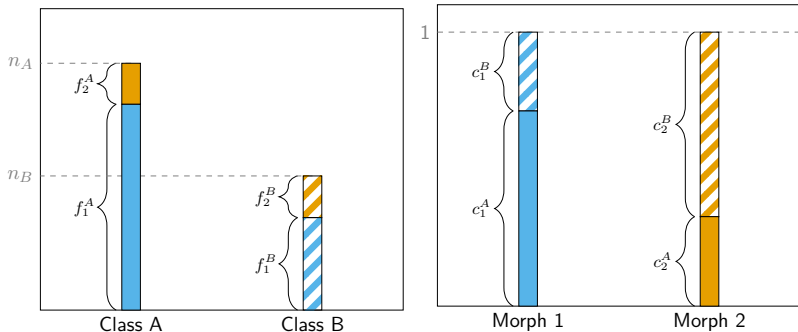
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A quick illustration



Morph 1 is relatively more abundant within class B ($f_1^B > f_2^B$) but has a lower class reproductive value ($c_1^B < c_2^B$).

Separation of time scales

For small morph variances:

- Fast variables: $n(t)$, $f_i^k(t)$, $u_i^k(t)$, $v_i^k(t)$
- Slow variables: $\tilde{z}_i(t)$, $\tilde{V}_i(t)$

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where

$$\mathbf{S}_i = \left. \frac{\partial \mathbf{R}}{\partial z} \right|_{z=\tilde{z}_i}, \quad \mathbf{F}_i = \left. \frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial^2 \mathbf{R}}{\partial z^2} \right|_{z=\tilde{z}_i}, \quad d_i^k = \bar{z}_i^k - \tilde{z}_i$$

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where $c_i^A = 1 - c_i^B$ is the class reproductive value of class A for morph i

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Explicit solutions

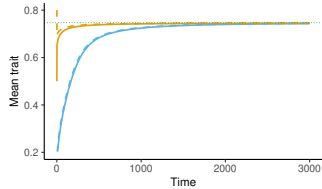
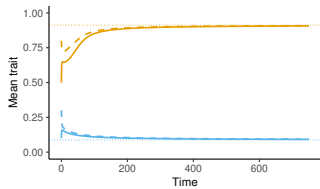
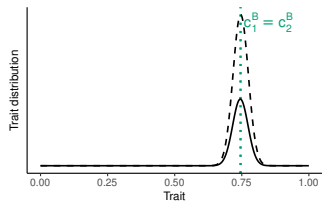
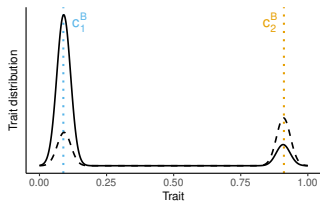
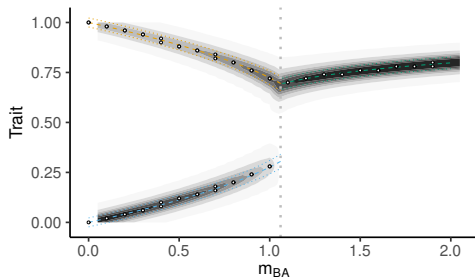
Using the QE relationship for $c_i^B = 1 - c_i^A$:

$$c_i^B = v_i^B u_i^B = \frac{m_{AB}(u_i^B)^2}{m_{BA}(u_i^A)^2 + m_{AB}(u_i^B)^2} = 1 - c_i^A$$

we can calculate the RVs and obtain the equilibrium positions of the two peaks of the bimodal distribution:

$$\bar{z}_1^* = \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{1 - \frac{4m_{AB}m_{BA}}{g^2}} = 1 - \bar{z}_2^*$$

as previously found (Débarre et al 2013; Mirrahimi & Gandon 2020).



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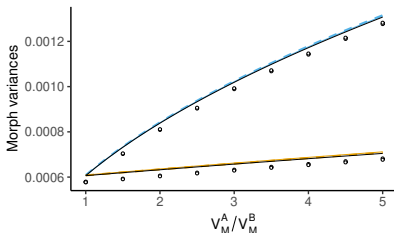
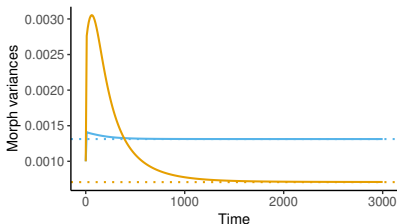
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The equilibrium morph variances are

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Take-home messages for Parts 3 and 4

- This method can be used to analyse the interplay of ecological and evolutionary dynamics
 - ▶ over different time scales (e.g. weak vs strong selection)
 - ▶ in class-structured populations
- This approach bridges the gap between Adaptive dynamics and Quantitative genetics:
 - ▶ non-normal trait distributions
 - ▶ ecological feedbacks and disruptive selection
 - ▶ non-zero standing variation
 - ▶ mutation-selection balance (to some extent)
- Reproductive values provide a useful tool to simplify the dynamics of polymorphic and structured populations.

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General take-home messages for this course

- A major objective of evolutionary ecology is to understand the **interplay between ecological and evolutionary dynamics over different time scales**.
- I have tried to show how **reproductive value** can be seen as a **unifying concept** when analysing structured population models.
- For **biologists**, reproductive value has a straightforward interpretation as the **quality** of a focal class of individuals.
- For **mathematicians**, reproductive value weighting provides a useful way to **simplify the dynamics of the moments** of the trait distribution.
- It would be interesting to see how this connects with mathematically rigorous formalisations, such as those using Hamilton-Jacobi equations.