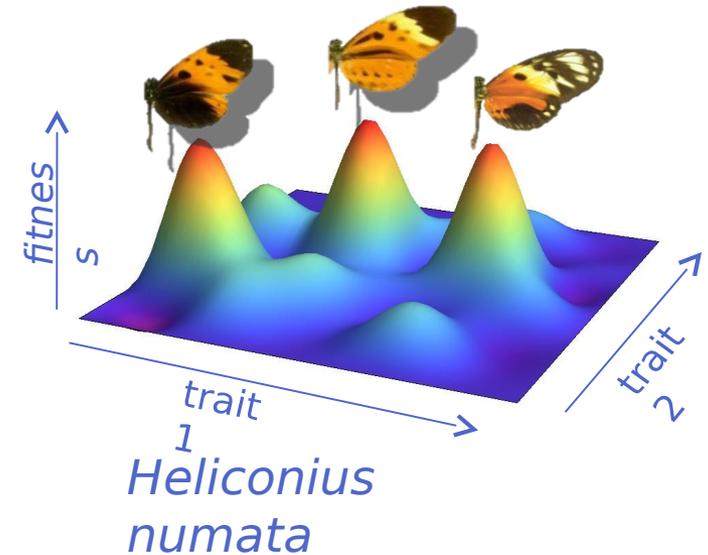


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Polymorphism within a mimetic butterfly species: causes & consequences of balancing selection

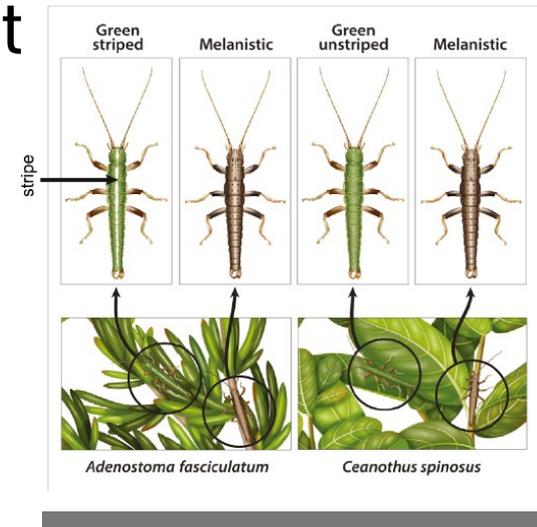
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Adaptive variations

▶ Example of adaptive variation



Antirrhinum majus
striatum
pseudomajus



Timema christinae



Dendrobates
variabilis



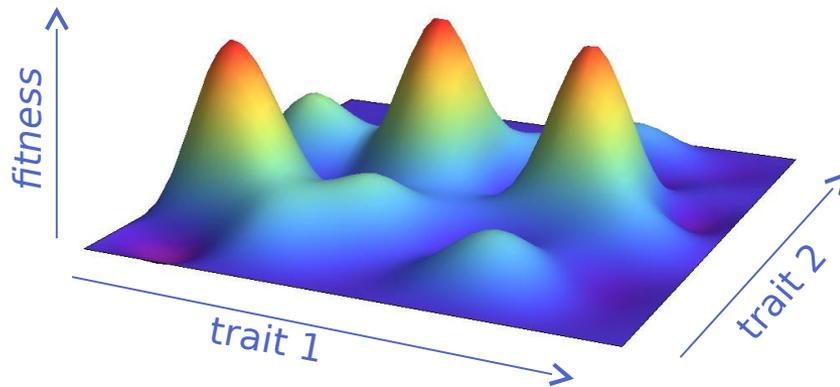
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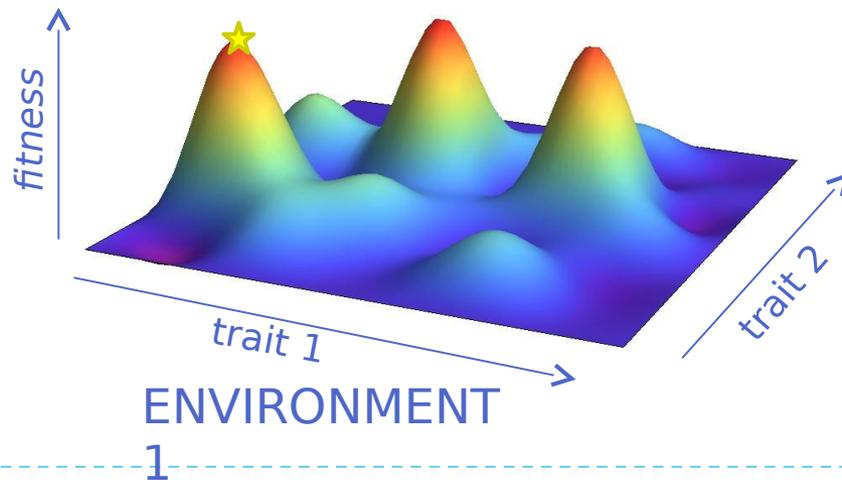
- ▶ Example of adaptive variations
- ▶ And create multidimensional adaptive landscapes



▶ see Svensson & Calsbeek book for a review

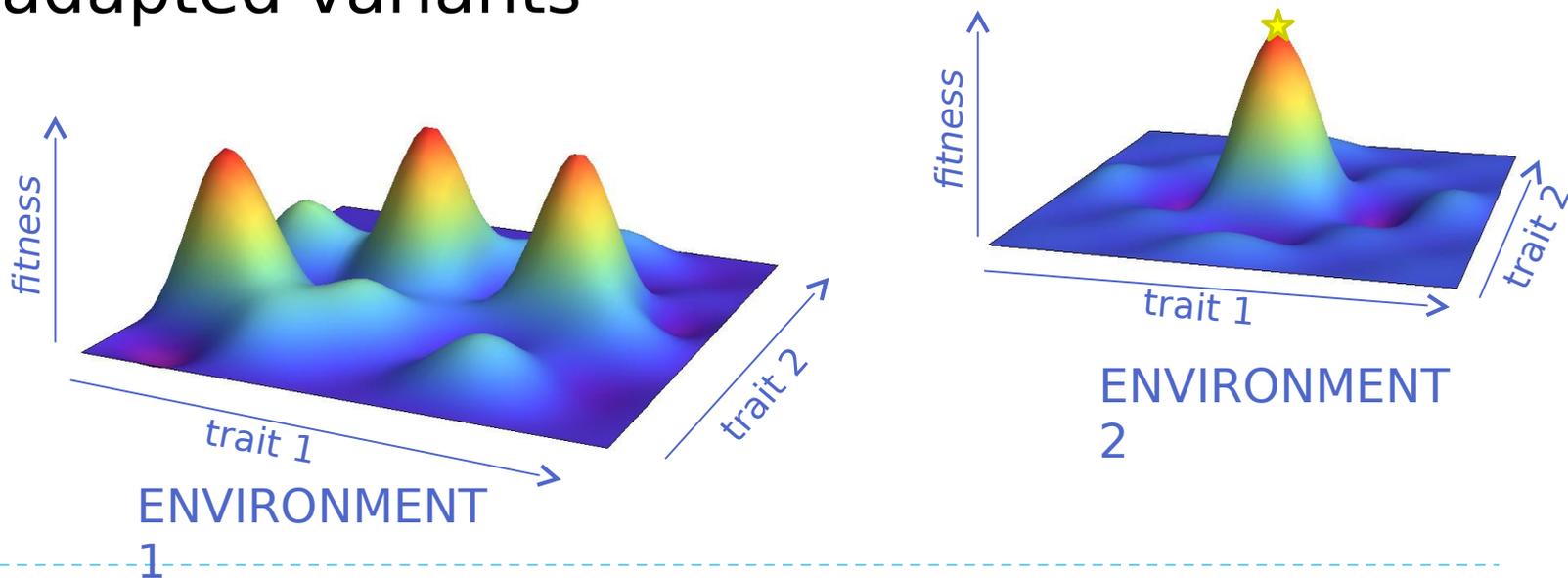
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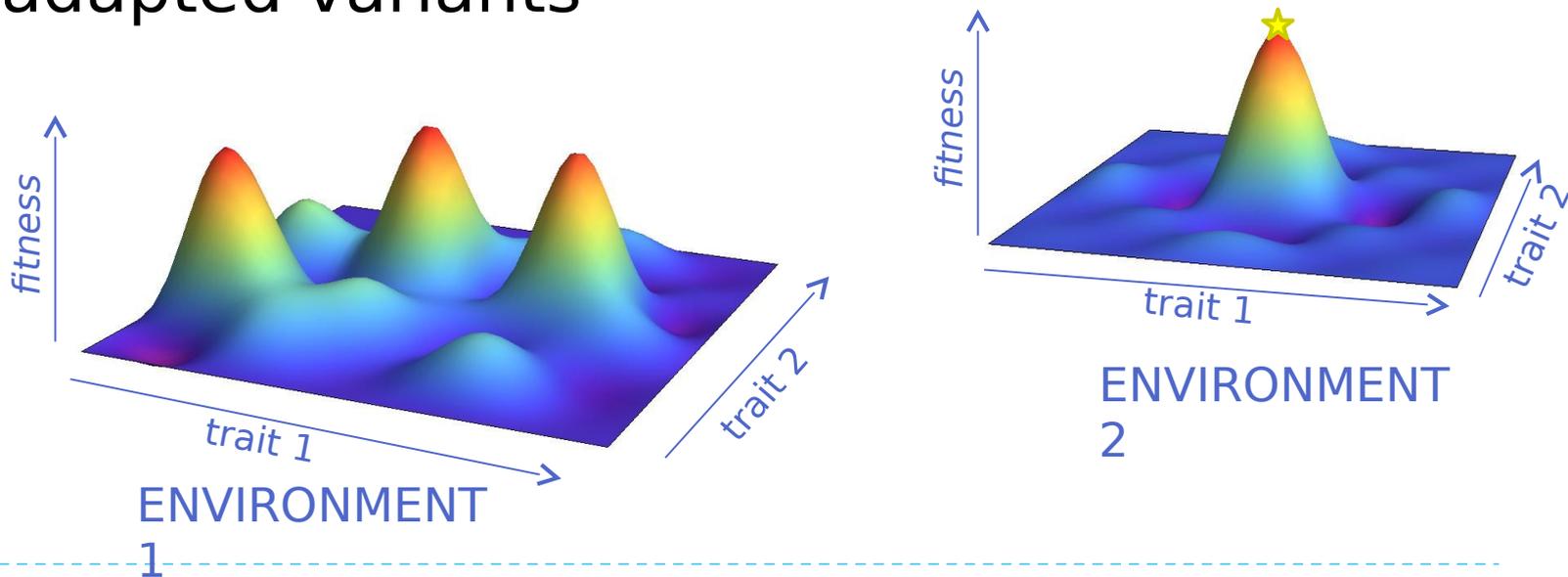
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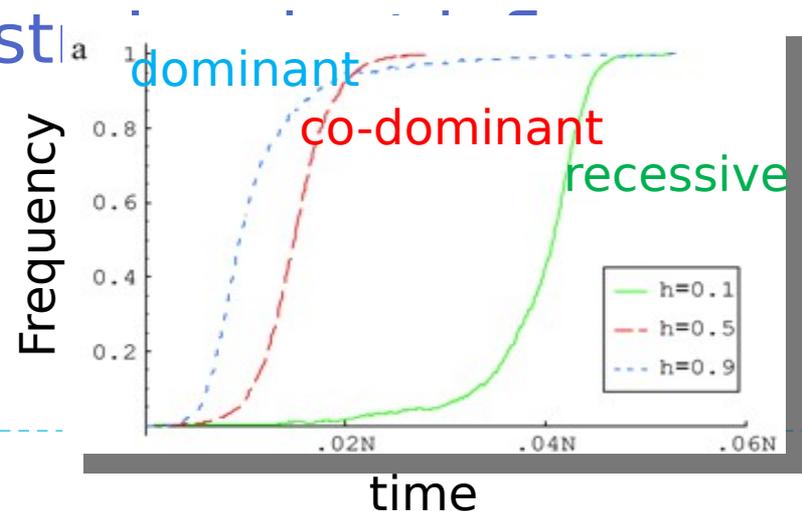
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□ Dominance over ancestor
invasion probability



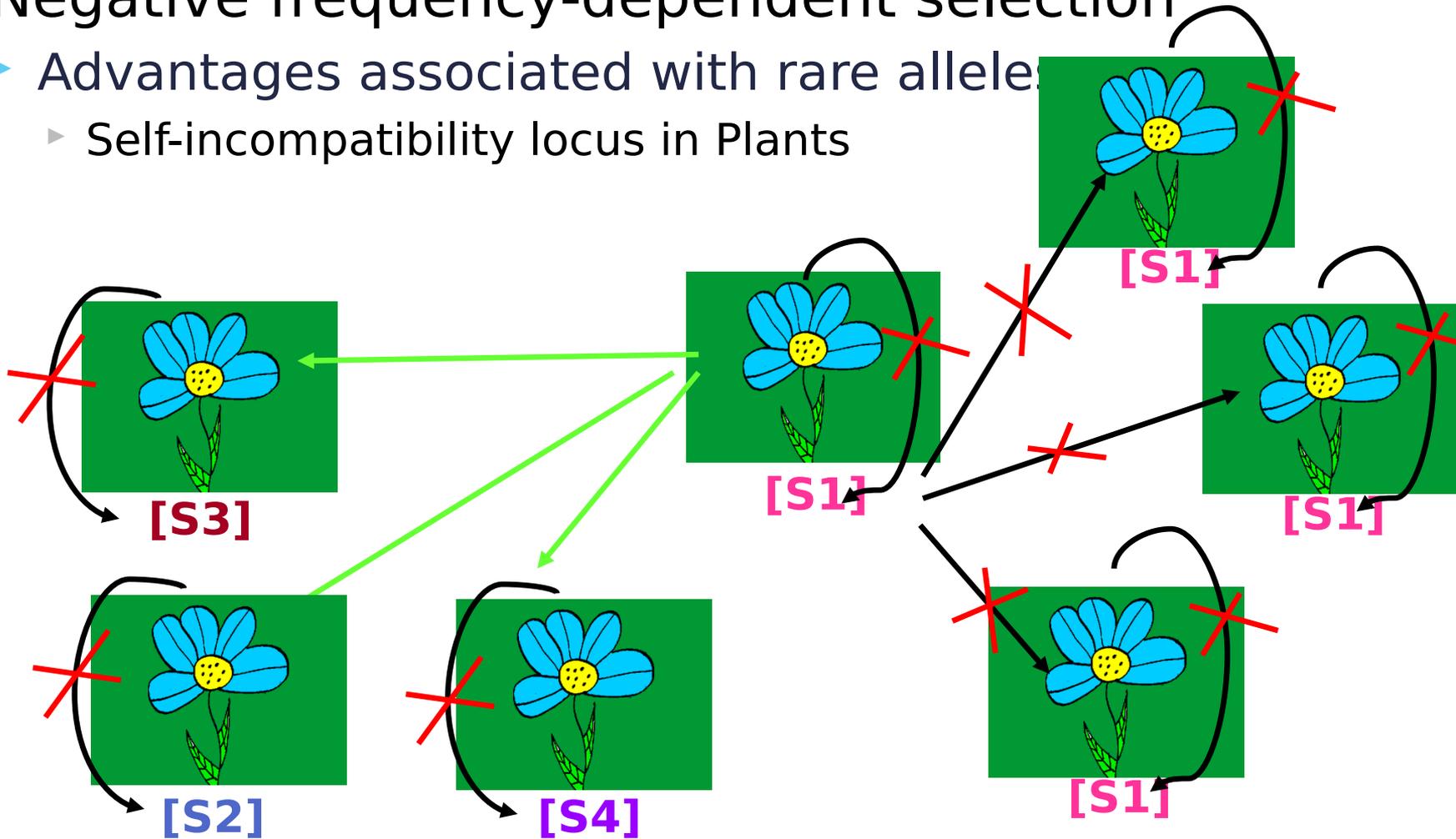
Balancing selection as a tool

- ▶ Balancing selection : maintained several alleles at balanced frequencies
 - ▶ Typically maintaining several adaptive peaks in sympatry
 - ▶ Either stable or transient
- ▶ Unique opportunity to compare several adaptive variants in a common genetic background
- ▶ Investigate the influence of dominance in adaptation



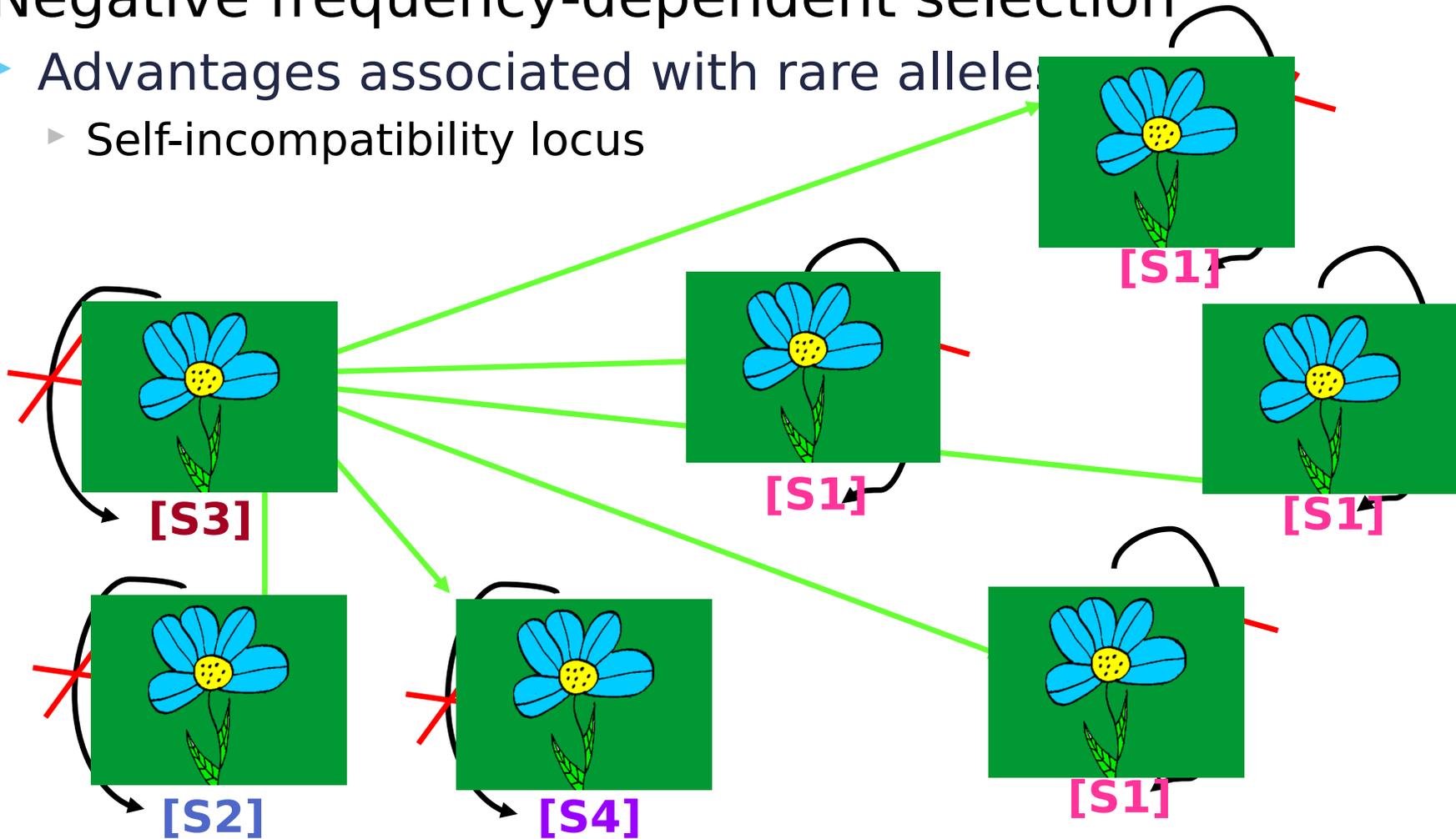
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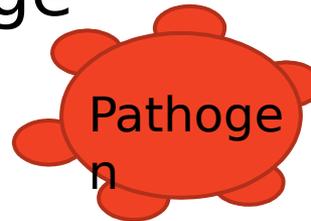
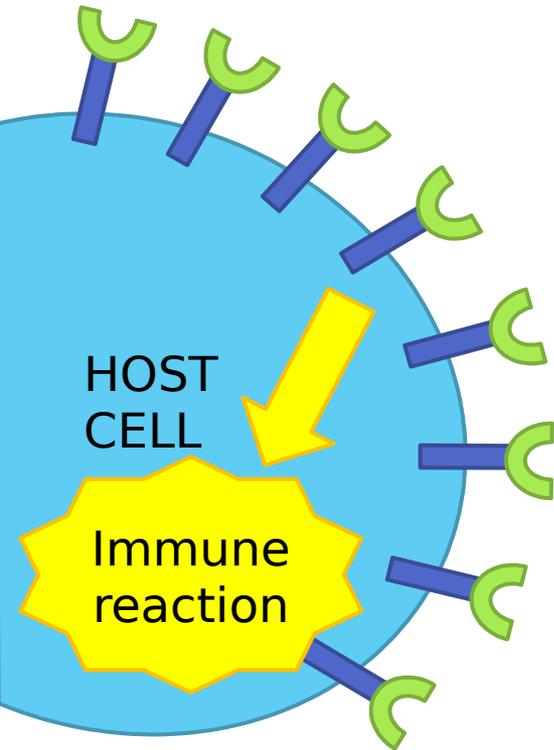
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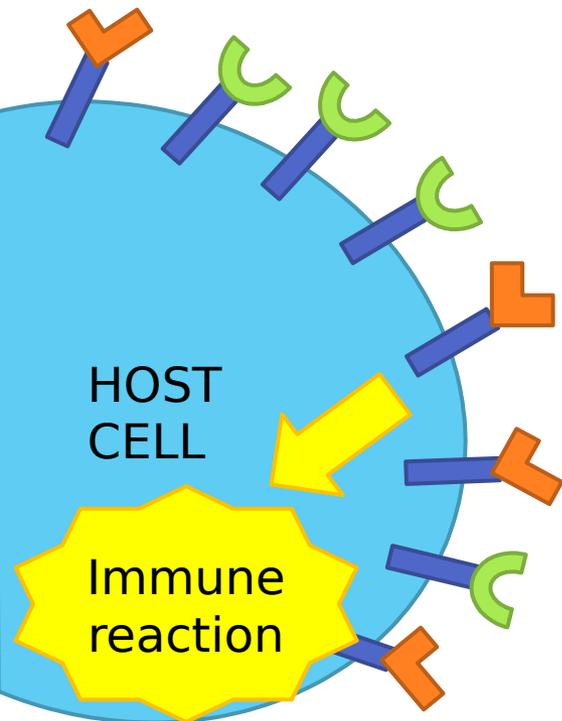
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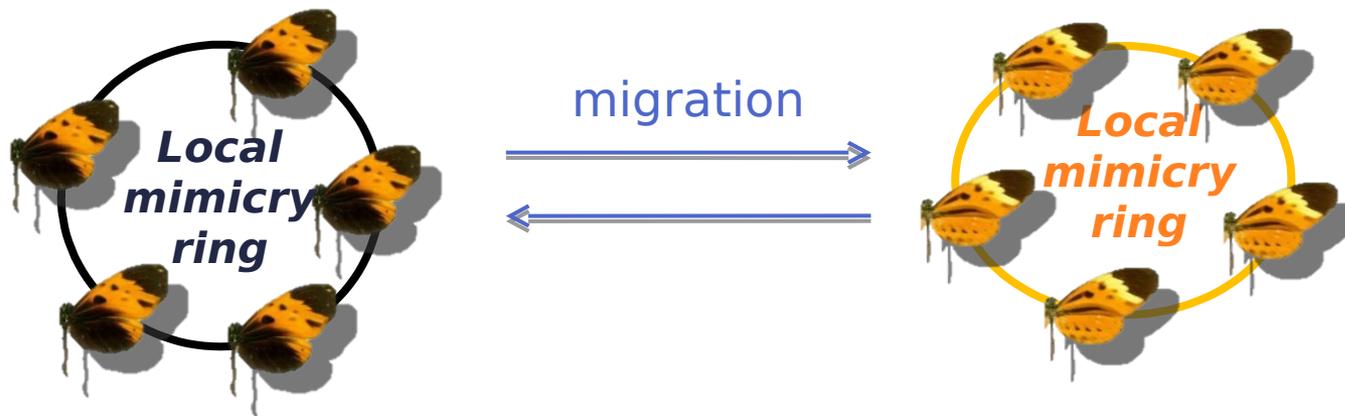
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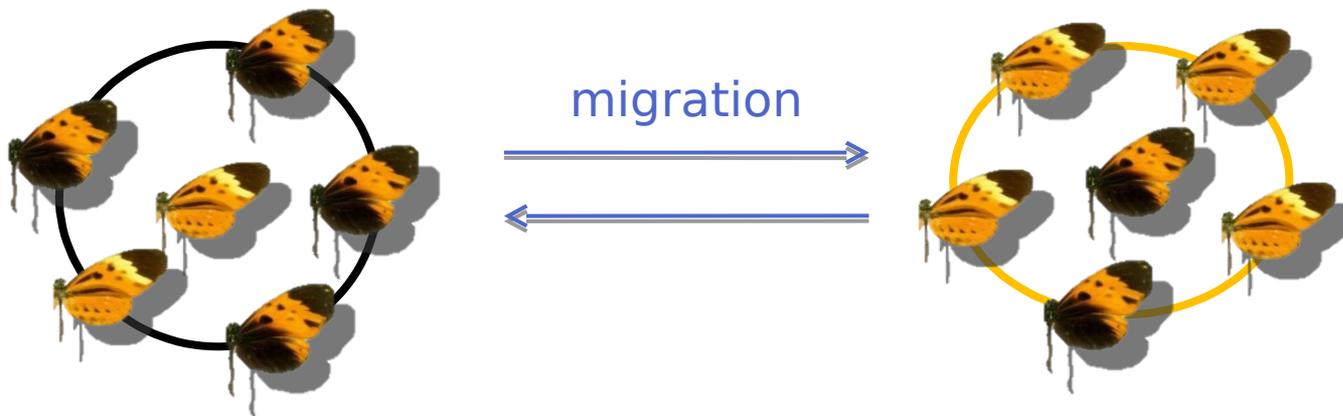
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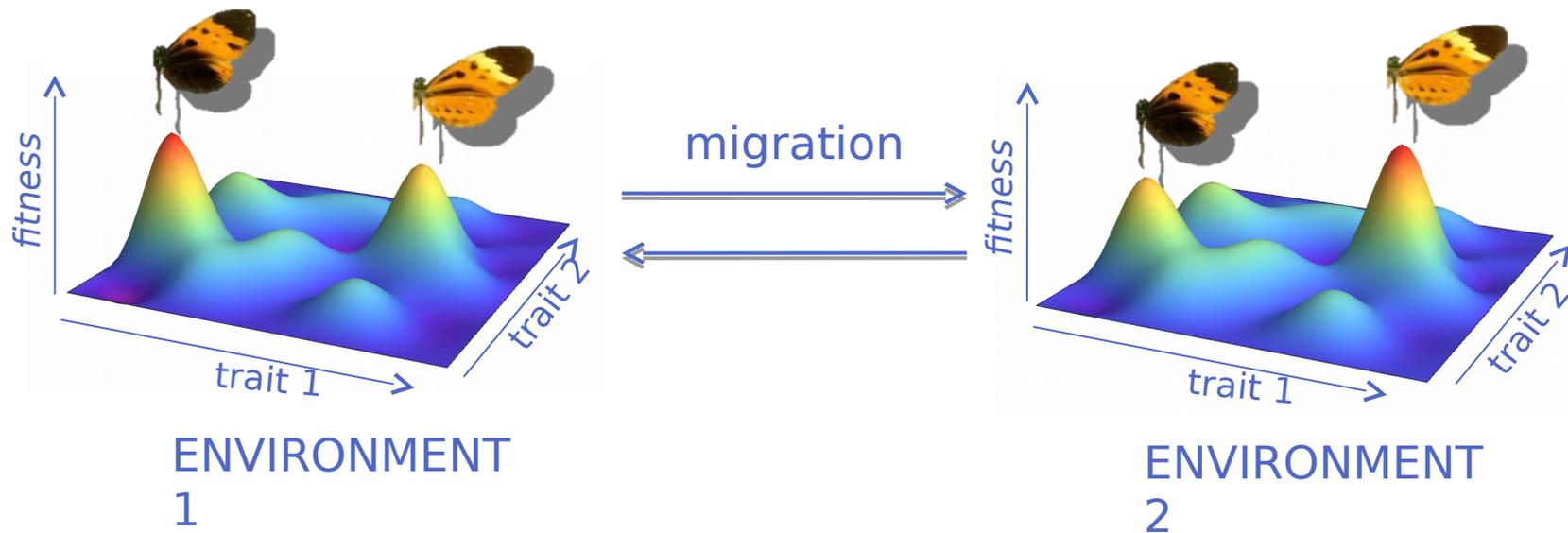
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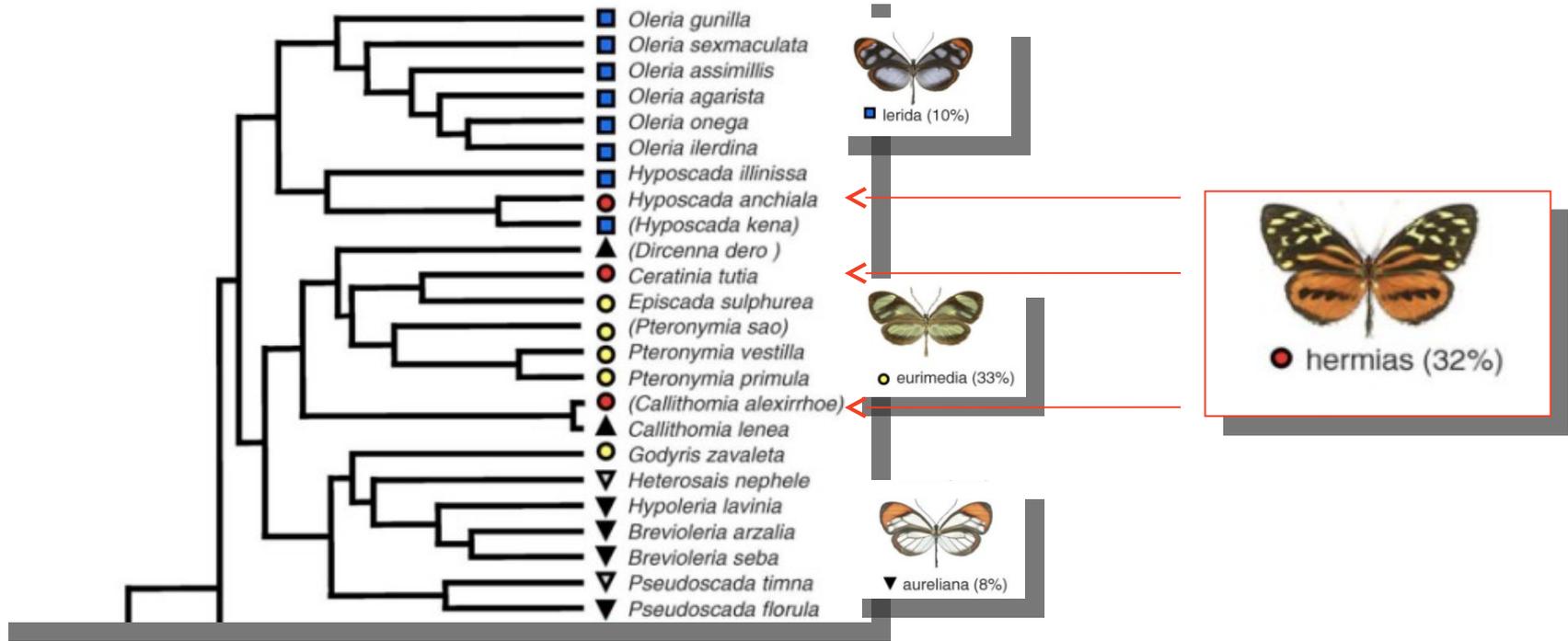
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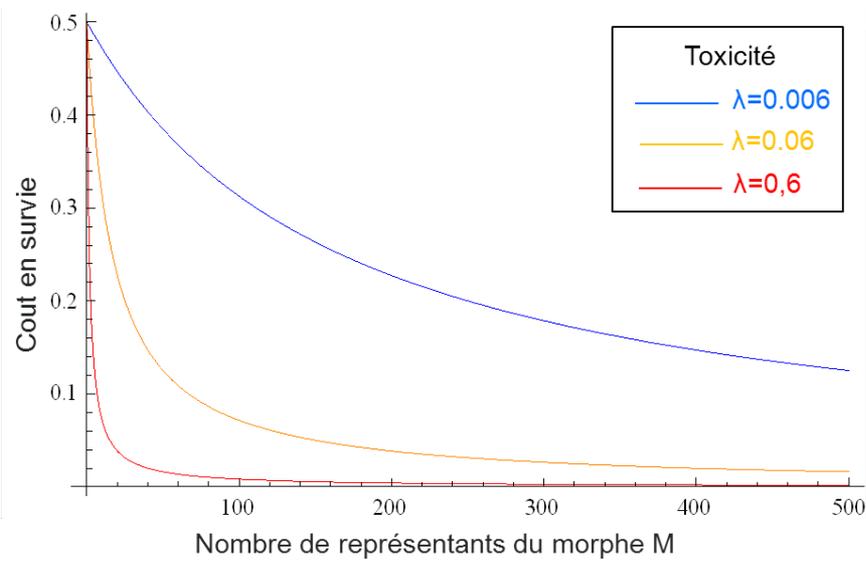
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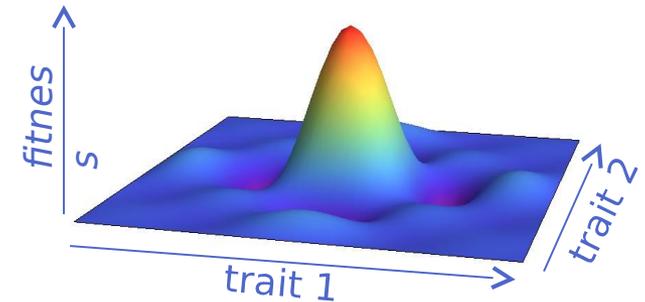
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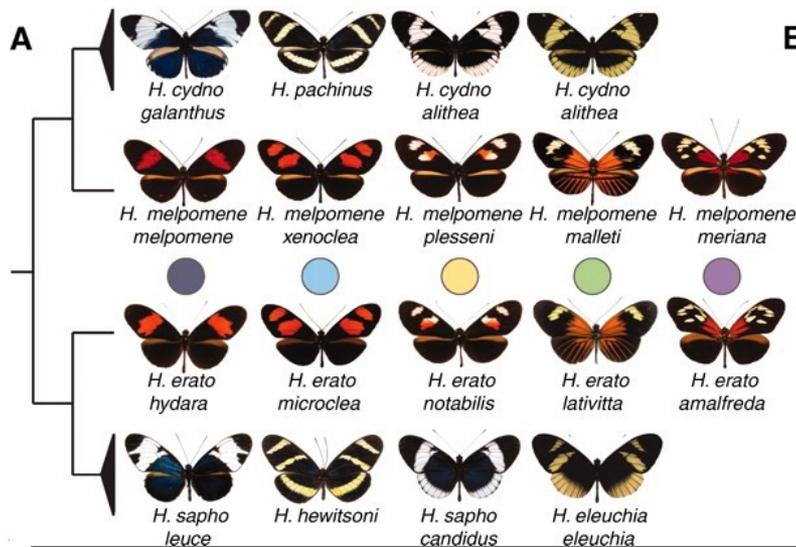
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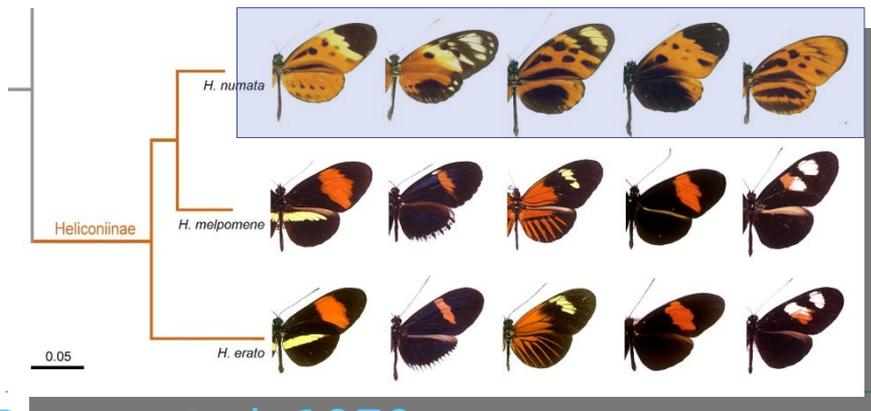


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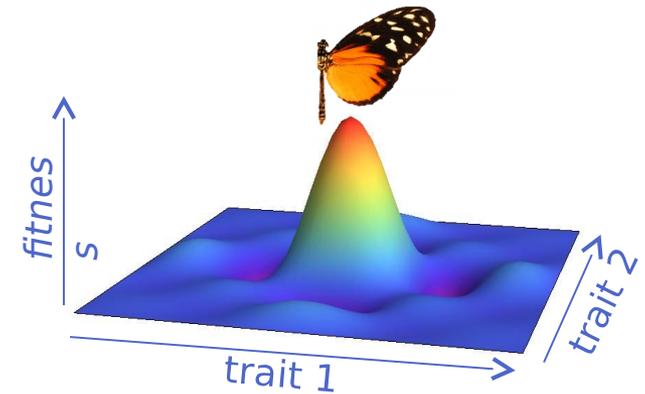
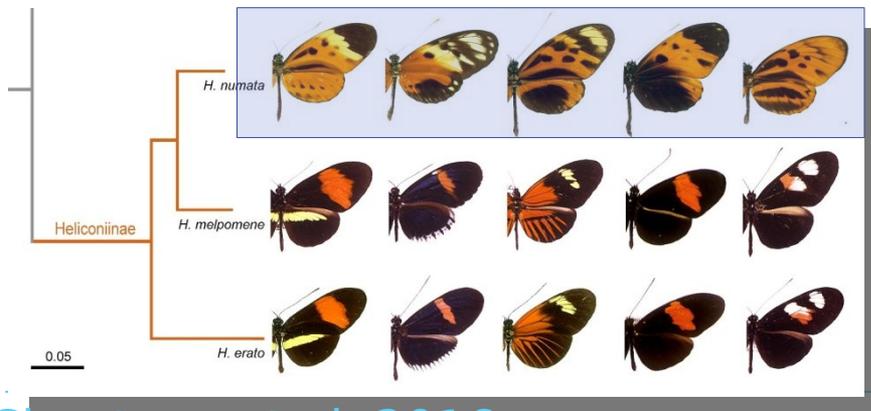
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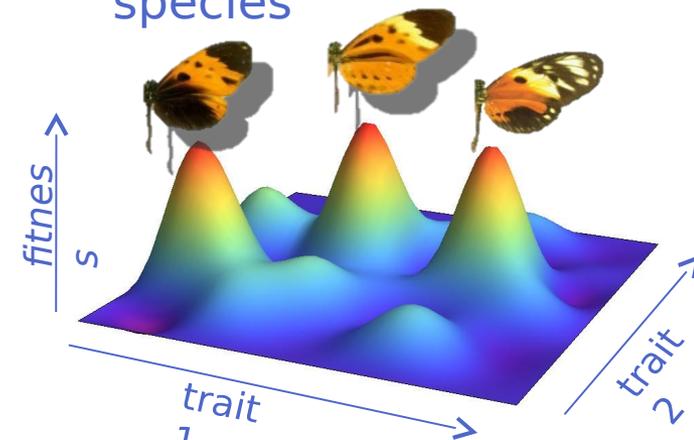


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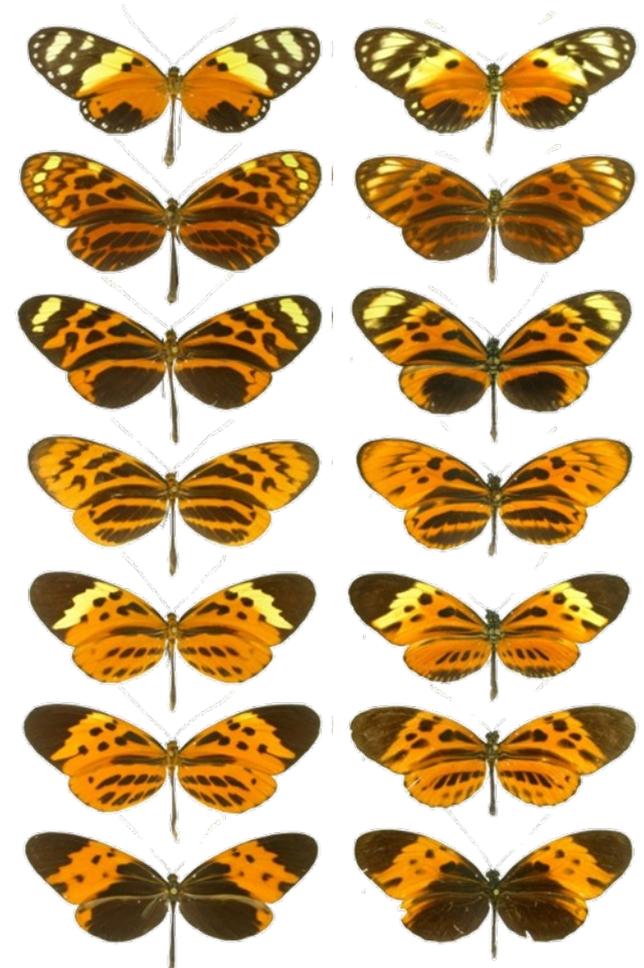
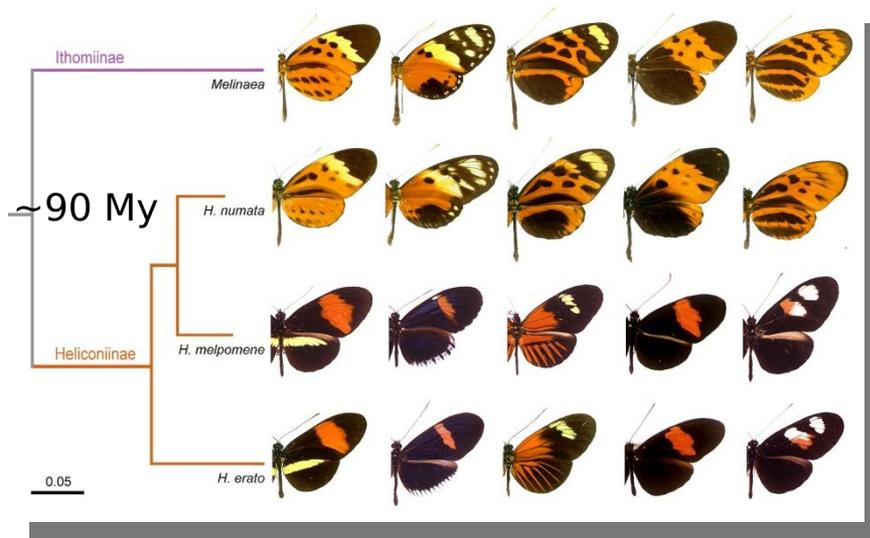
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Heliconius numata

Heliconius numata as a model

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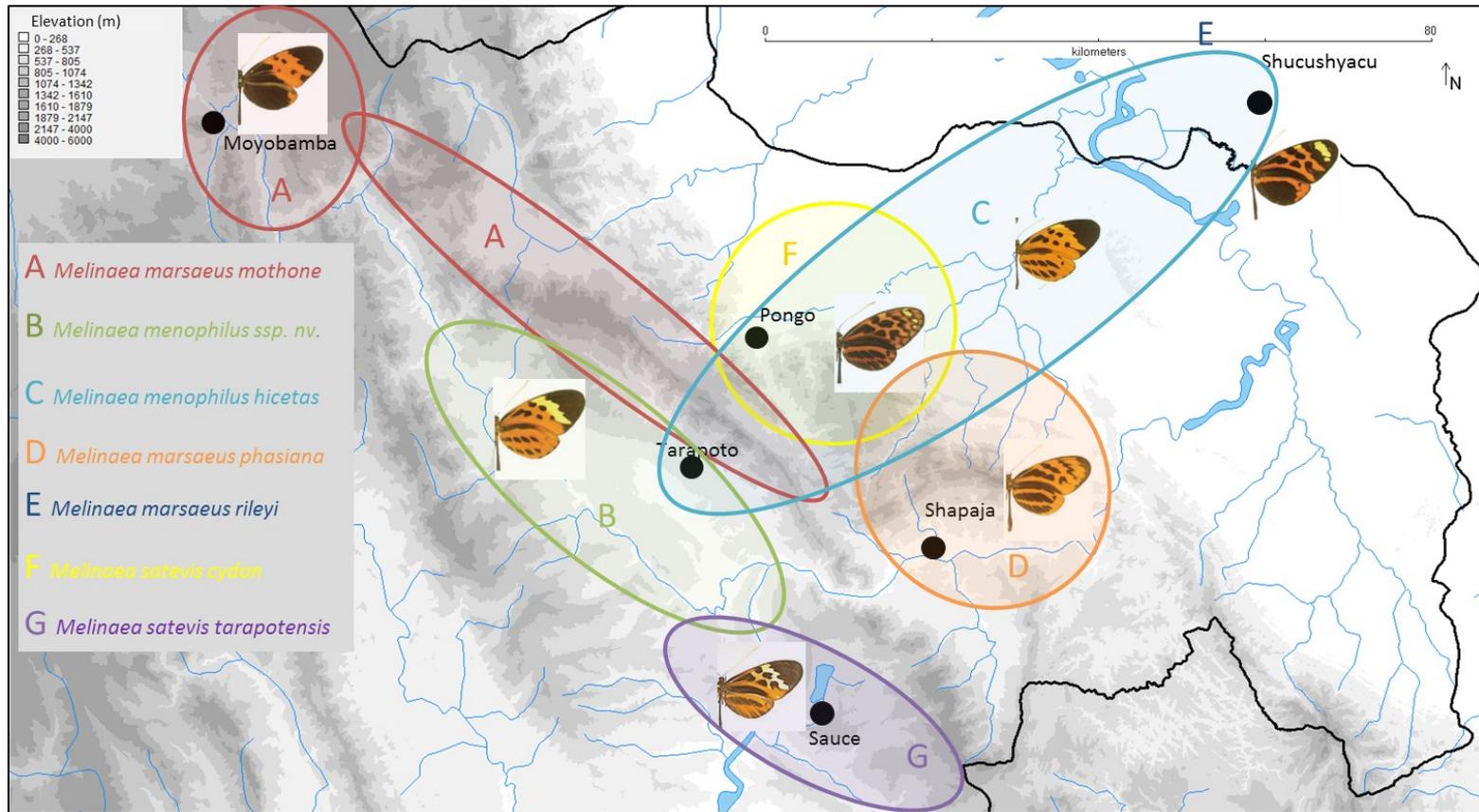


7 *Melinaea*
sp.

H. numata

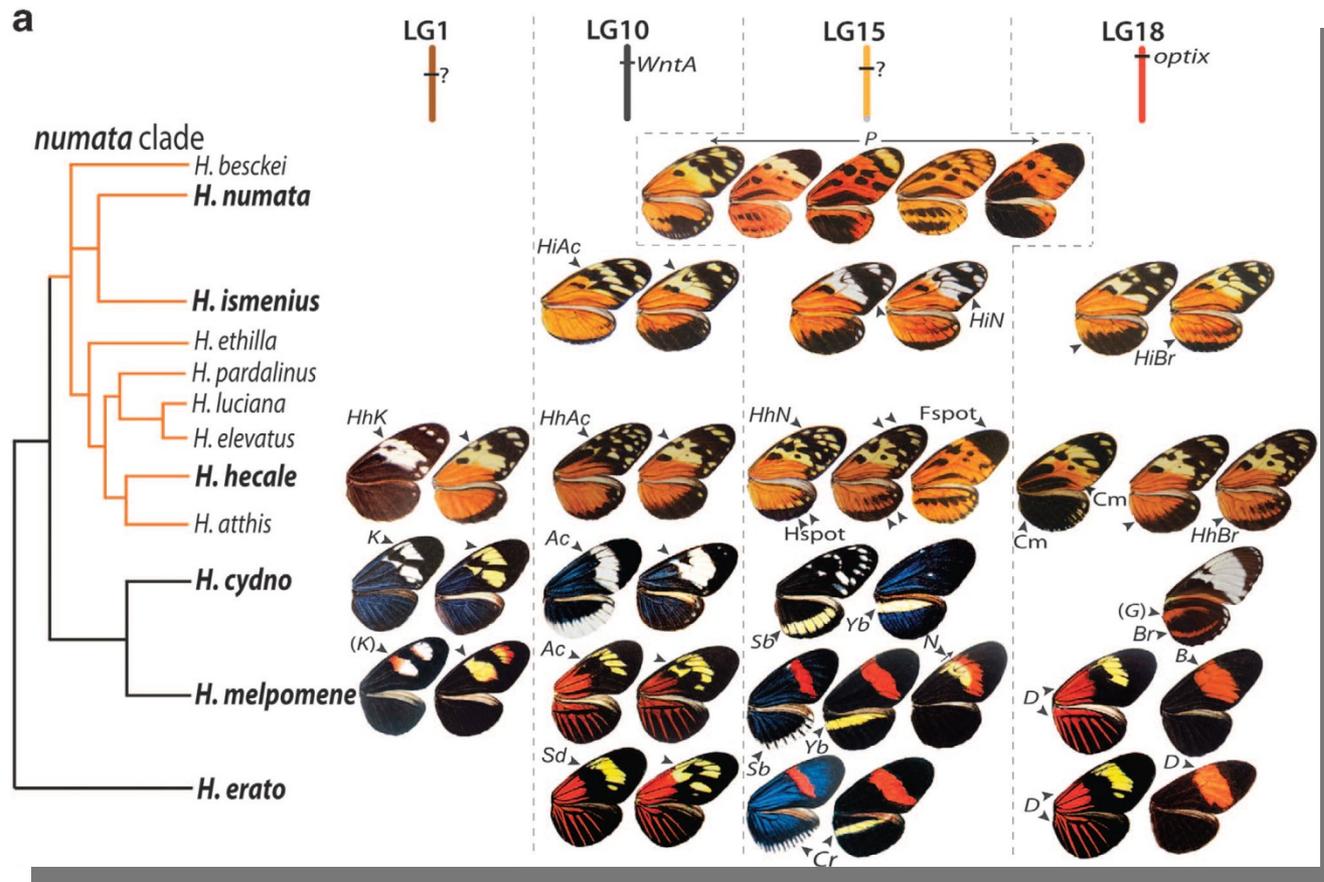
Origin of polymorphism in *Heliconius numata*

- ▶ Polymorphism driven by selection-migration equilibrium



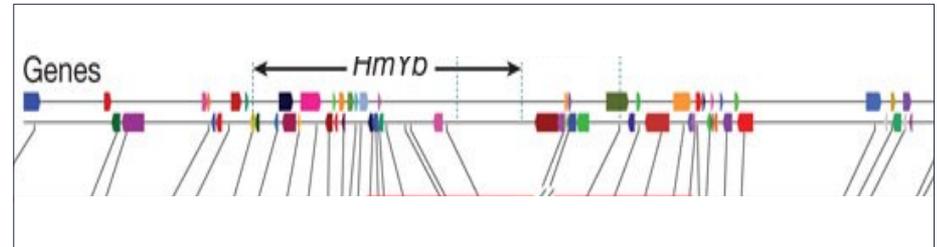
Distribution of *Melinaea ssp* (San Martín Department - PERU) - from Mélanie McClure

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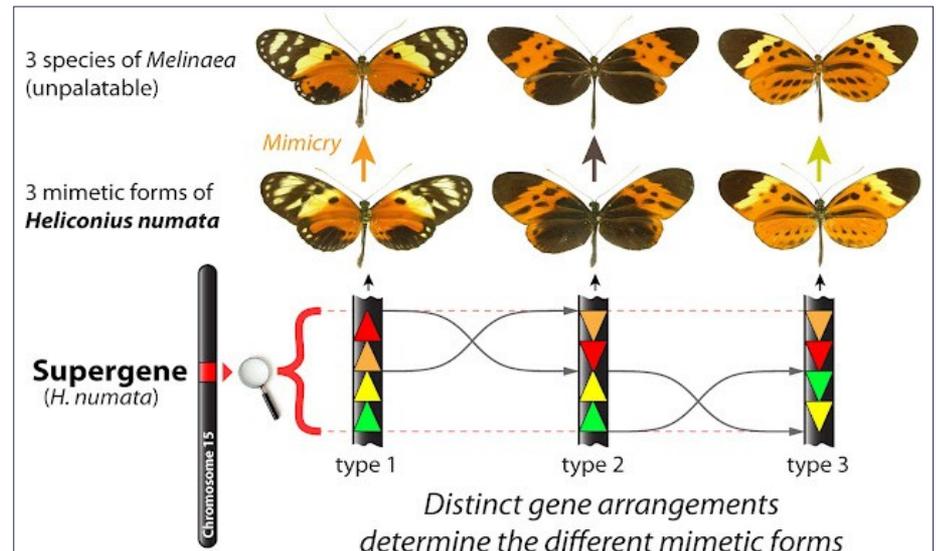
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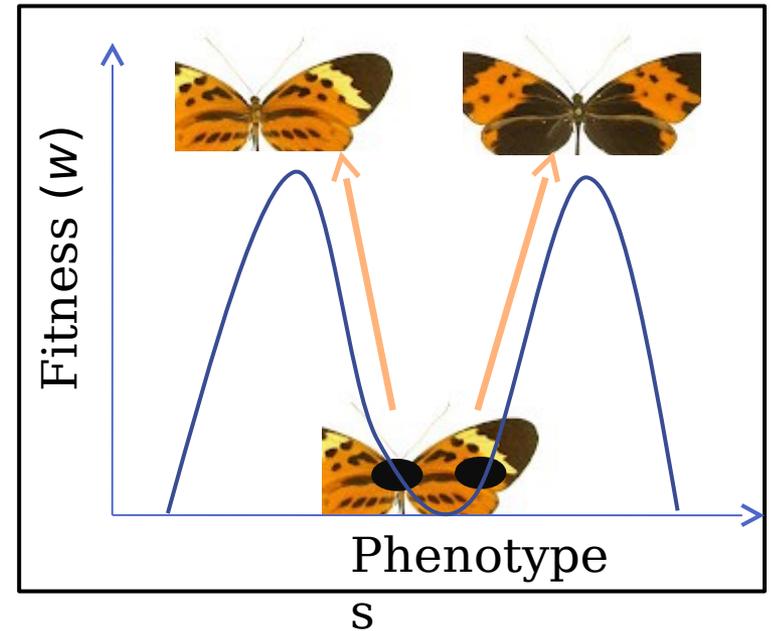
- ▶ Polymorphic gene order corresponding to different mimetic alleles
- ▶ Limited recombination

□ GENETIC ARCHITECTURE FAVOURING POLYMORPHISM



Genetic architecture of polymorphic mimicry

- ▶ Polymorphic mimicry
- High frequency of heterozygotes



- ▶ Selection on intermediate phenotype by predators
 - Selection on dominance in natural populations ?
 - ▶ Persistence of polymorphism ?
 - Role of mating system ?
-



Selection on intermediates within natural populations

- ▶ Test in natural populations (Perù) using artificial butterfly



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Selection on intermediates within natural populations – study sites



Selection on dominance within natural populations- experimental design



Local (*bicoloratus*)

Intermediate (*bic/arc*)

Local (*arcuella*)

Exotic but aposematic

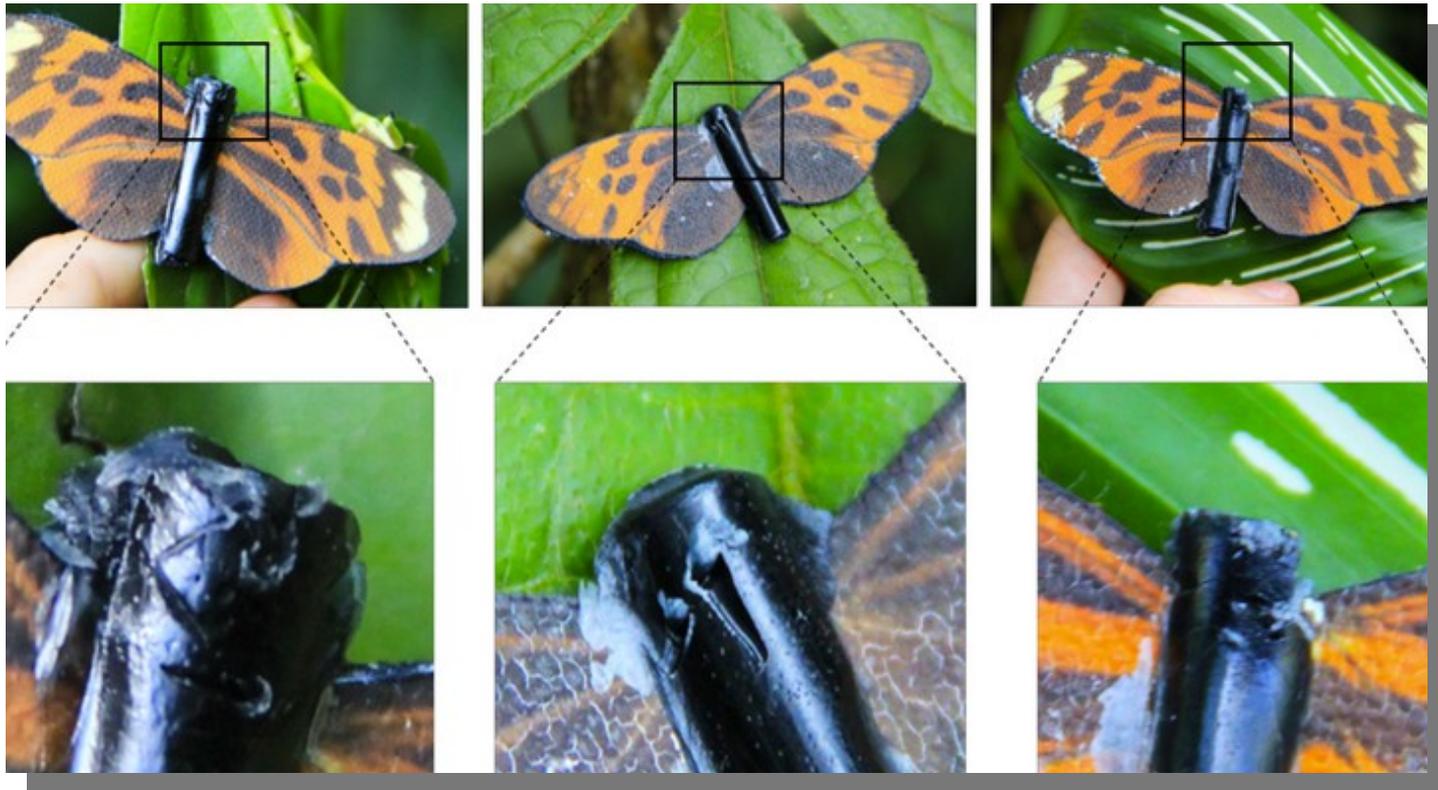
Local but cryptic and palatable

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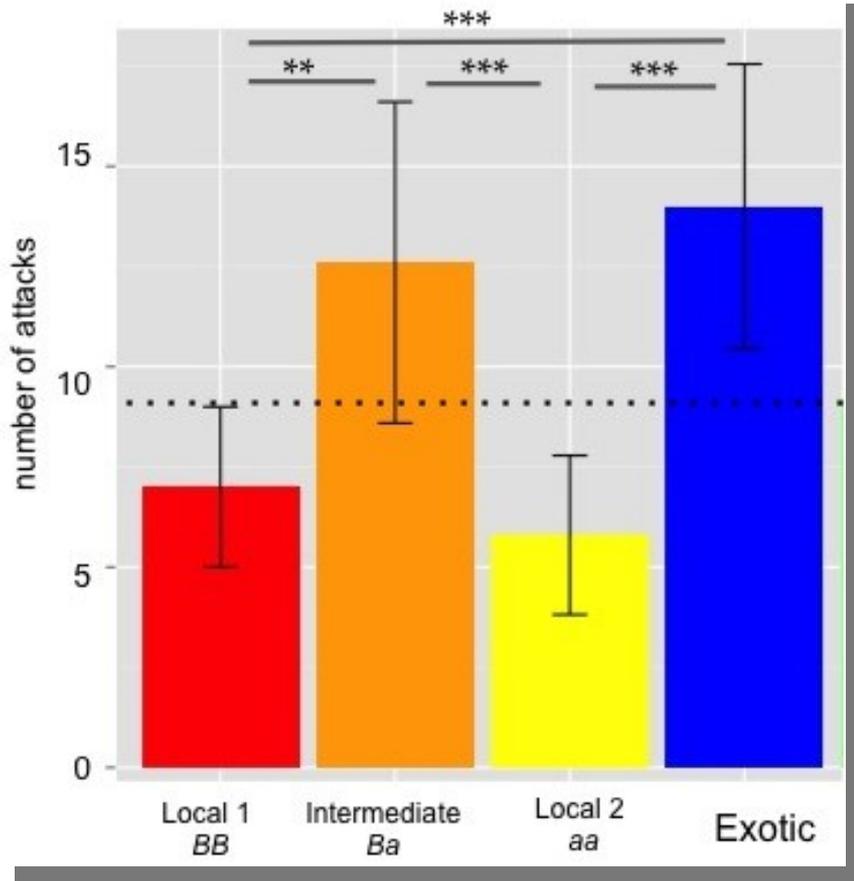
- ▶ Experimental sites
 - ▶ Light gap on a transect: 150 per trial
- ▶ Five colour patterns per gap
- ▶ Left 72 hours before checking



Selection on dominance within natural populations- attacks



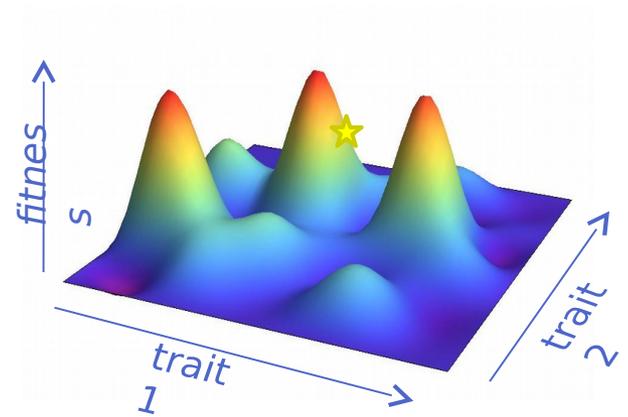
Selection on intermediates within natural populations



- ▶ Significantly higher attacks:
 - ▶ On exotic morphs
 - ▶ On heterozygotes exhibiting an intermediate phenotype
- ➔ Overall, significant selection against co-dominance in heterozygotes carrying sympatric alleles.

Selection on dominance within natural populations

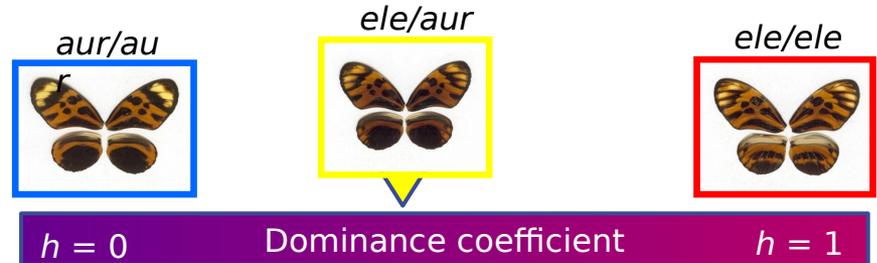
- ▶ Selection against intermediate detected within natural population
 - ▶ Selection acting on slightly deviating heterozygotes
- ▶ Impact on polymorphism ?



Modeling the impact of dominance

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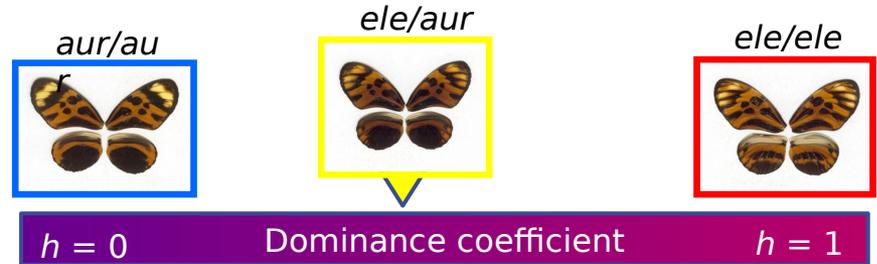
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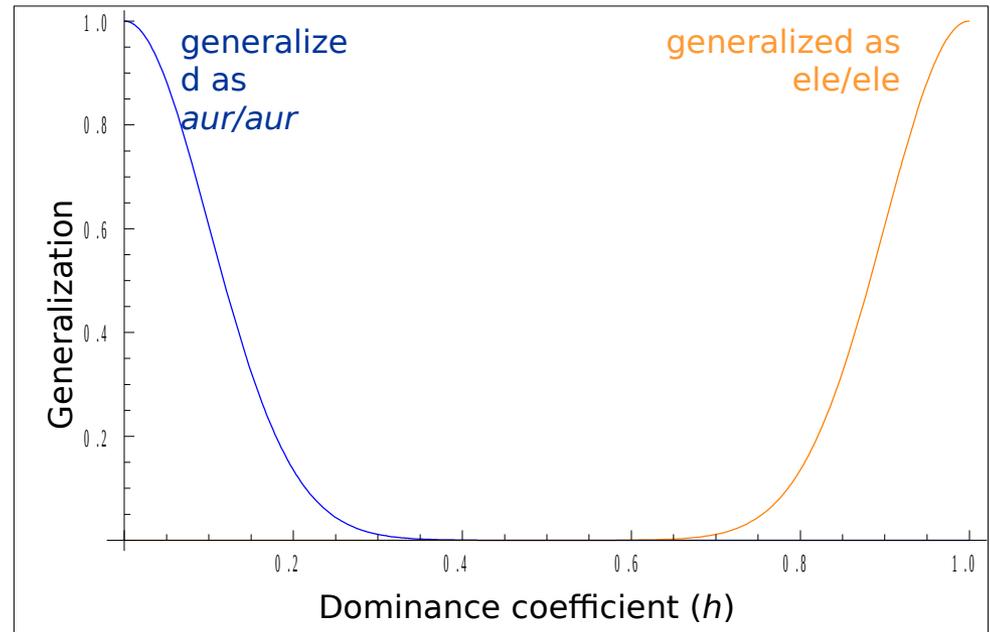
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▶ Generalisation function

$$g(h) = e^{-(h-1)^2 / 2\gamma^2}$$

With h : dominance coefficient
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 And width of predators generalisation capacities.



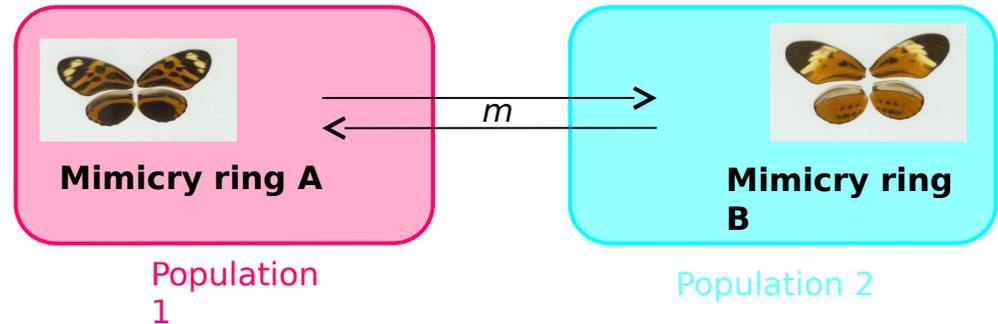
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Two mimicry rings:

- Local rings (no migration)
- Same abundance in each locality

Predation rate d

Spatial heterogeneity c



One mimetic species:

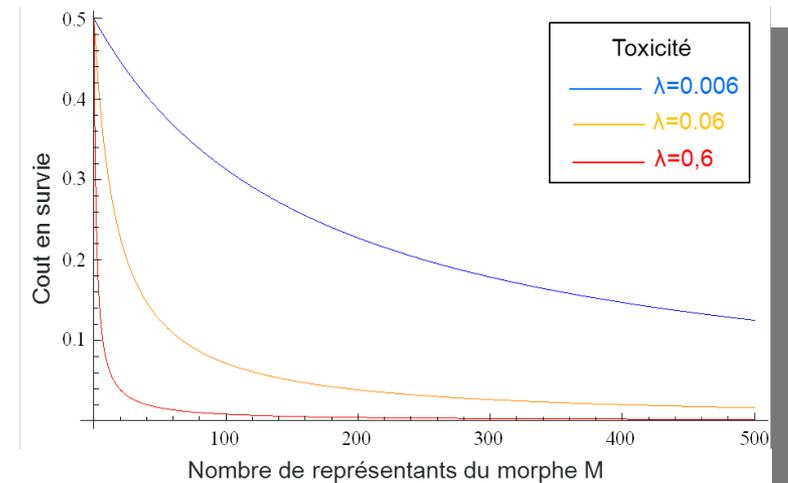
- Two populations

Migration m

- Frequency dependent selection

Toxicity of the polymorphic species λ

Number of individual sharing the same phenotype

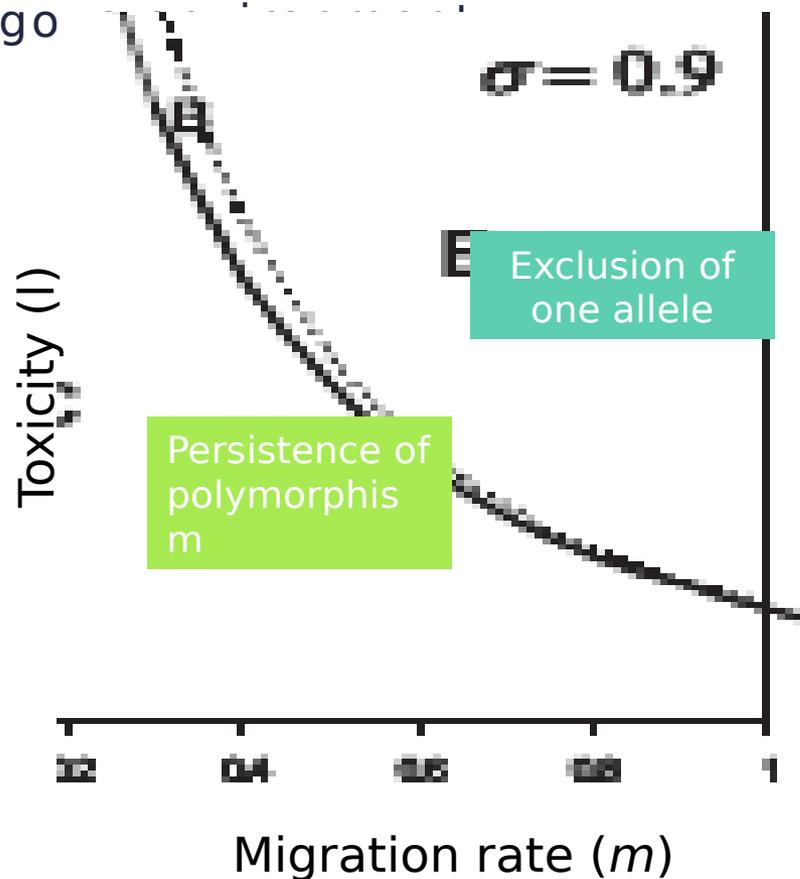


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$$\begin{aligned} Naa_1(t+1) = & \\ & \frac{-d(1-\sigma)}{1+\lambda(Naa_1(t)+g(h)Nab_1(t))} Naa_1(t) \quad \left. \vphantom{\frac{-d(1-\sigma)}{1+\lambda(Naa_1(t)+g(h)Nab_1(t))} Naa_1(t)}} \right\} \text{Predation} \\ & + m(Naa_2(t) - Naa_1(t)) \quad \left. \vphantom{+ m(Naa_2(t) - Naa_1(t))}} \right\} \text{Migration} \\ & + \frac{r}{2} \left(\frac{(Nab_1(t)+2Naa_1(t))^2}{4Ntot_1} \left(1 - \frac{Ntot_1(t)}{K}\right) \right) \quad \left. \vphantom{\frac{r}{2} \left(\frac{(Nab_1(t)+2Naa_1(t))^2}{4Ntot_1} \left(1 - \frac{Ntot_1(t)}{K}\right) \right)}} \right\} \text{Reproduction} \end{aligned}$$

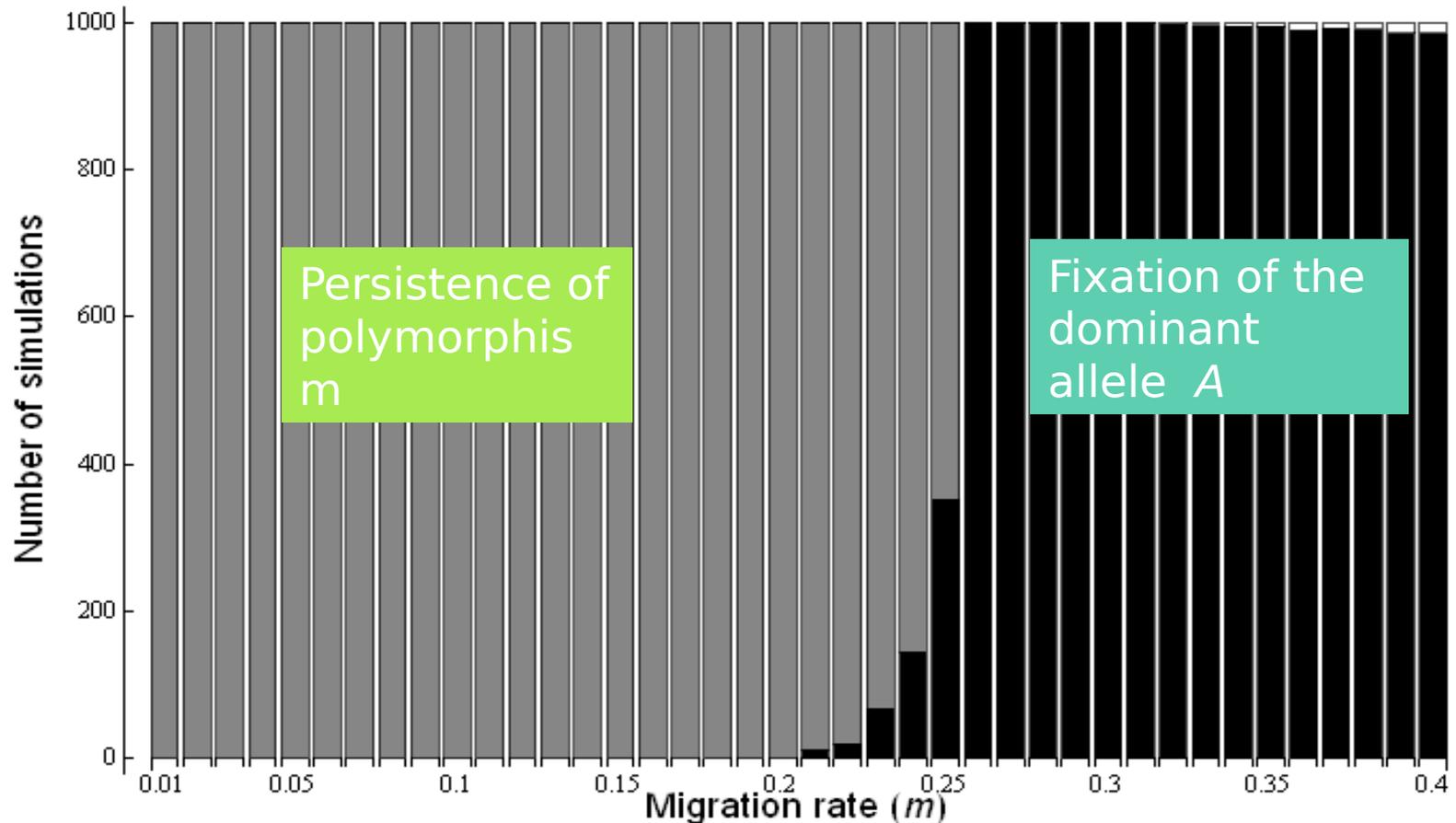
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- Persistence of polymorphism due to migration/selection balance, in heterozygote
- In haploid model :



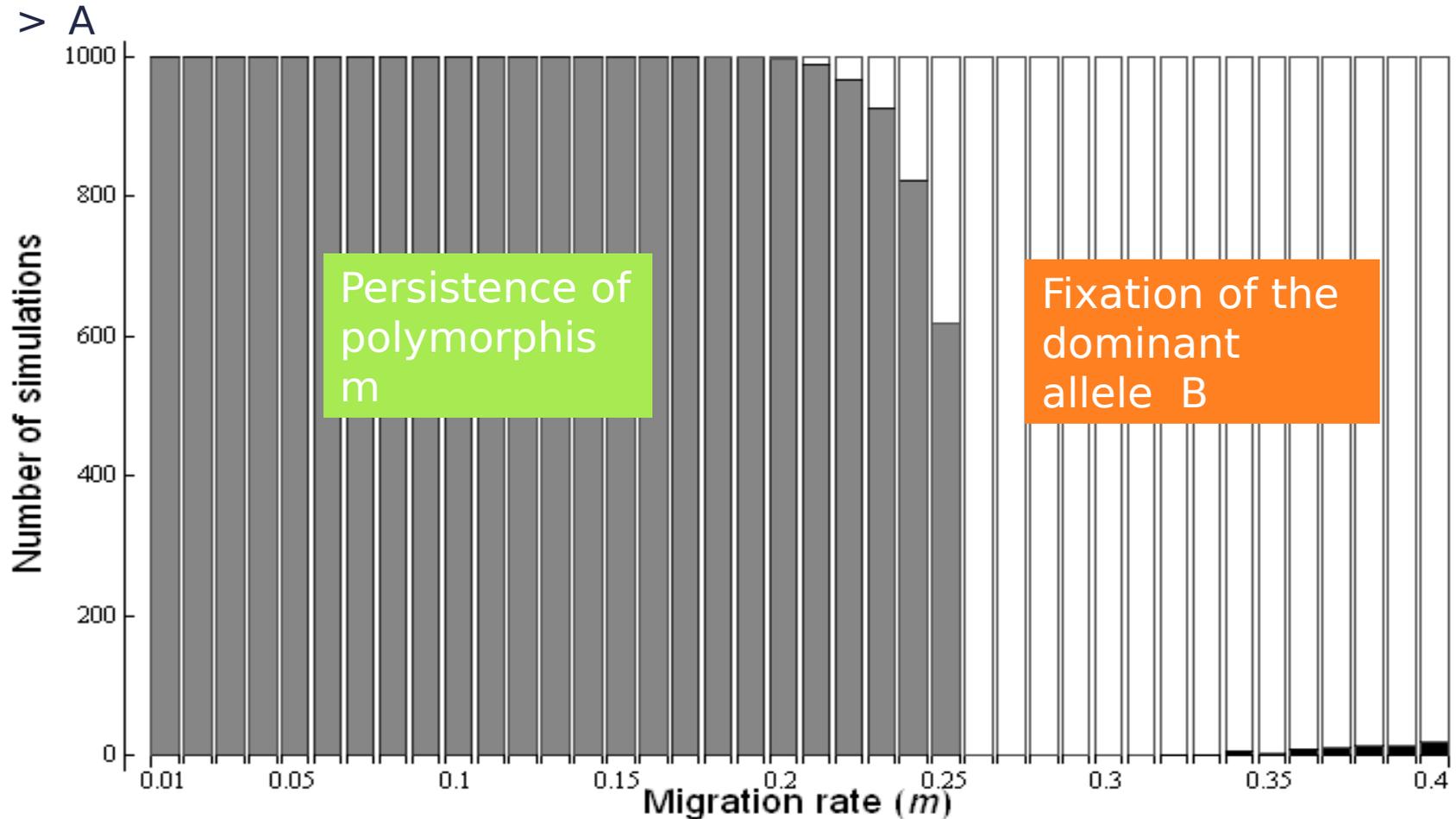
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- Strict dominance ($h_A > 0$) & $s = B$ & $d = 0.5$, $\lambda = 0.025$



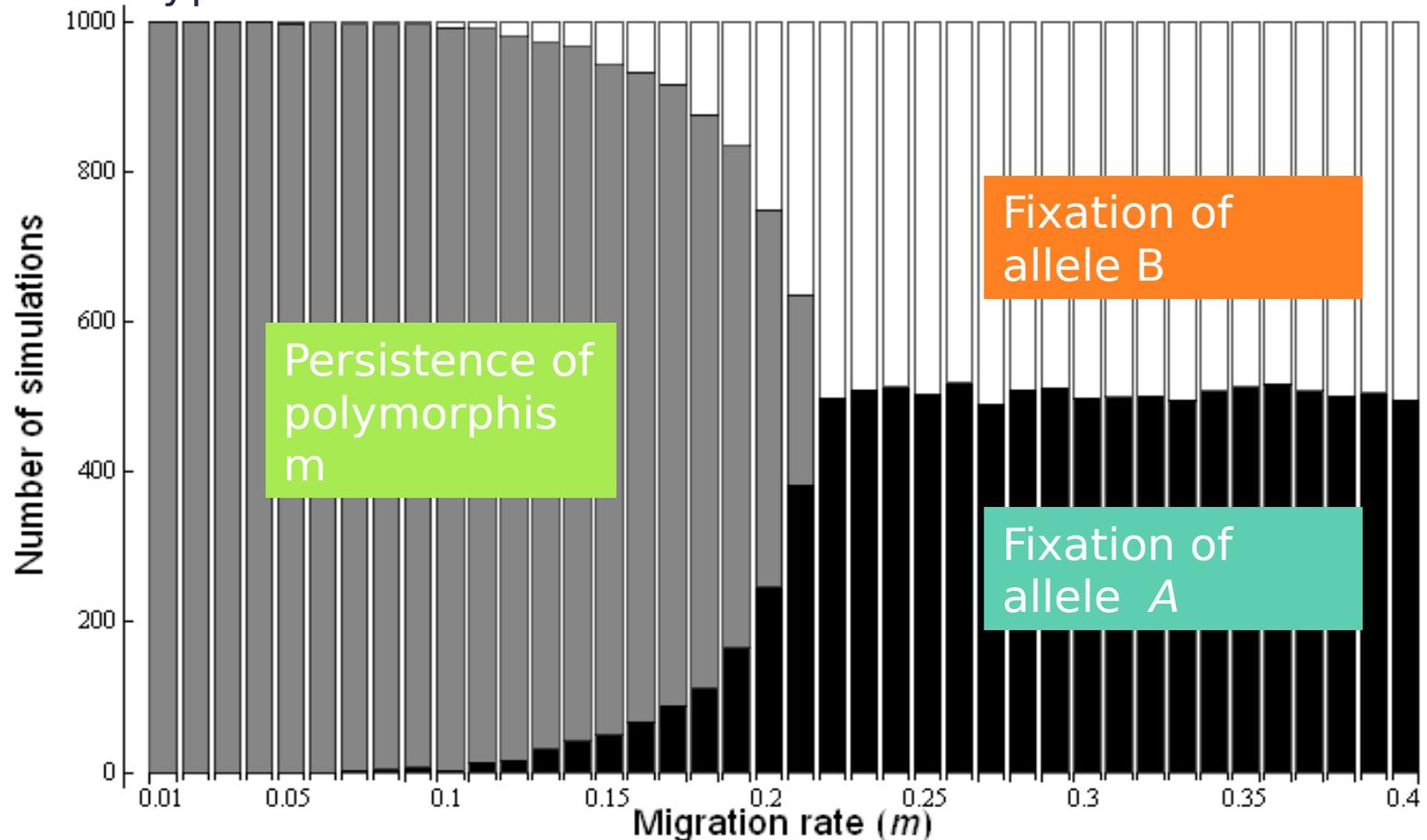
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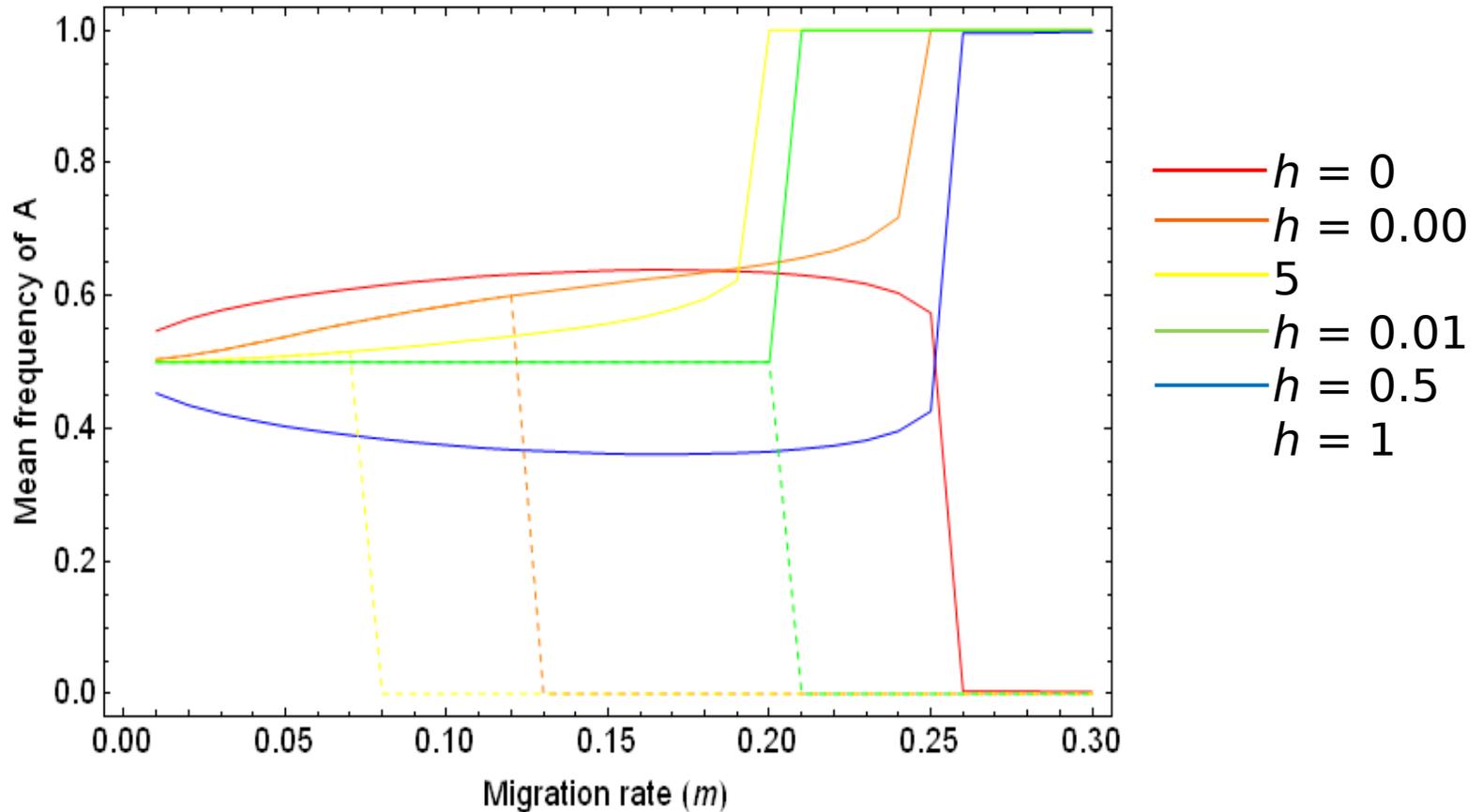


Persistence of polymorphism

- Co-dominance ($h=0.5$): heterozygote AB with intermediate phenotype
- *Loss of polymorphism for lower values of m*
- *Migration load higher when heterozygotes are intermediate*

Allelic frequencies in the metapopulation

- Fixation and frequencies depend on dominance



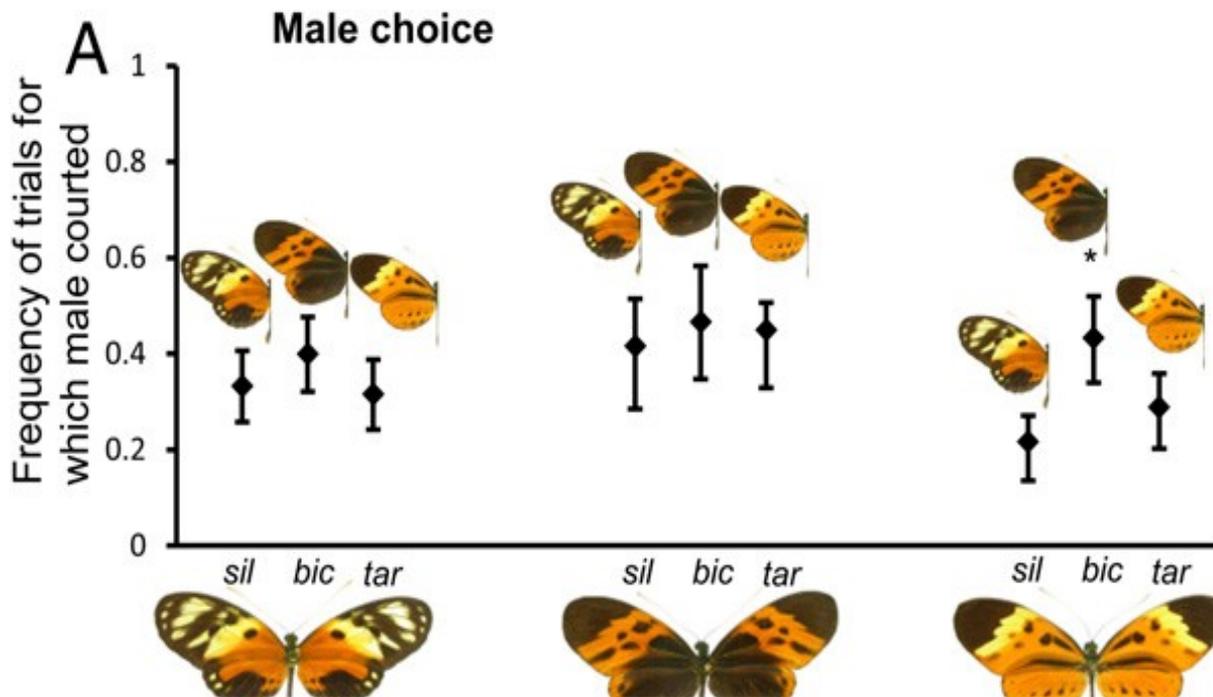
Persistence of polymorphism

- Selection /migration balance
- Modulates by heterozygote behaviour
- Dominant alleles tend to be fixed when migration increases

**→Nevertheless polymorphism is stable
throughout
H. numata range**

Mate preferences for wing colour patterns

- ▶ Male & female preferences for wing colour patterns.

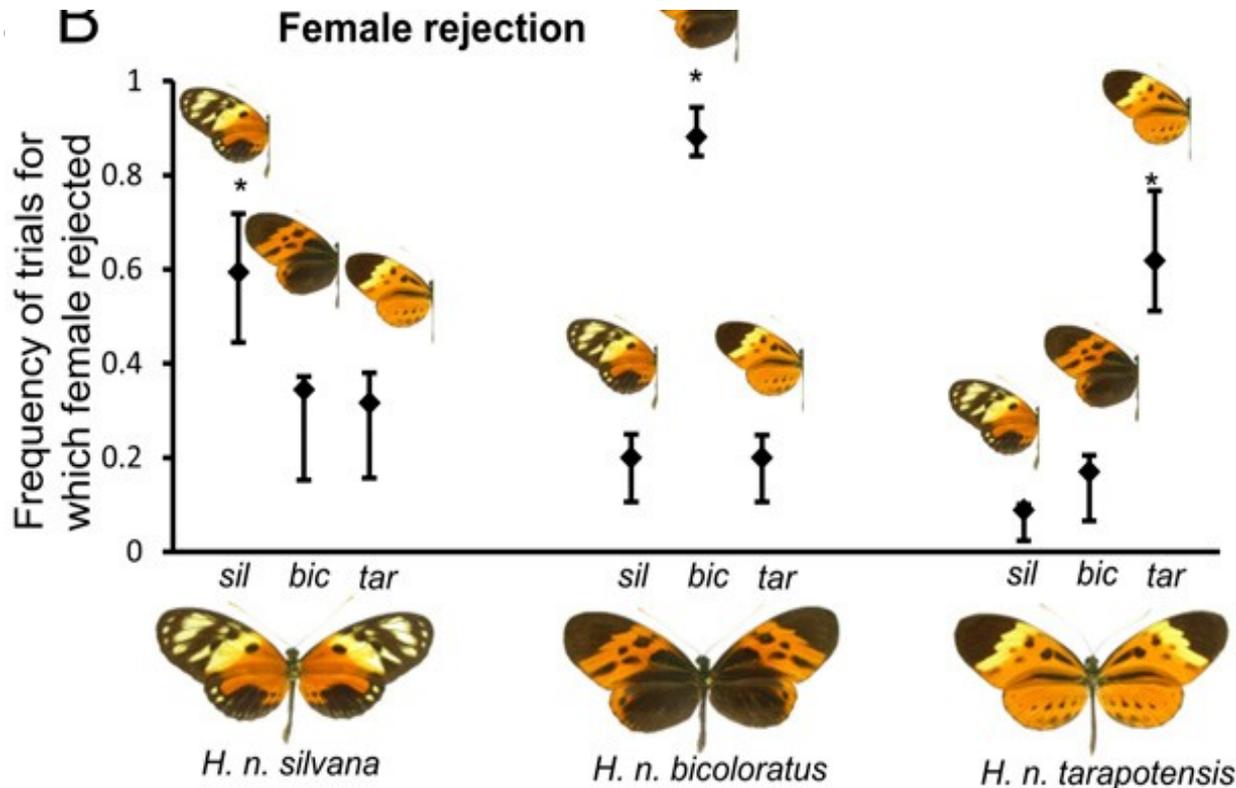


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□ NO PREFERENCE DETECTED IN MALES

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□ STRONG COLOUR PATTERN-BASED
DISASSORTATIVE PREFERENCES IN FEMALES

▶ Chouteau et al. 2017

Mate preferences for wing colour patterns

- ▶ Realized mating:
 - ▶ Tetrad experiments with 2 males and 2 females with different morphs
 - ▶ Mating events recorded

□ STRONG COLOUR PATTERN-BASED DISASSORTATIVE MATING

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Number of matings in tetrad		
	Male	
Female		
 	10	13
	30*	7*
	Male	
Female		
 	15	14
	2*	7
	Male	
Female		
 	6*	28*

Dominance and disassortative mating

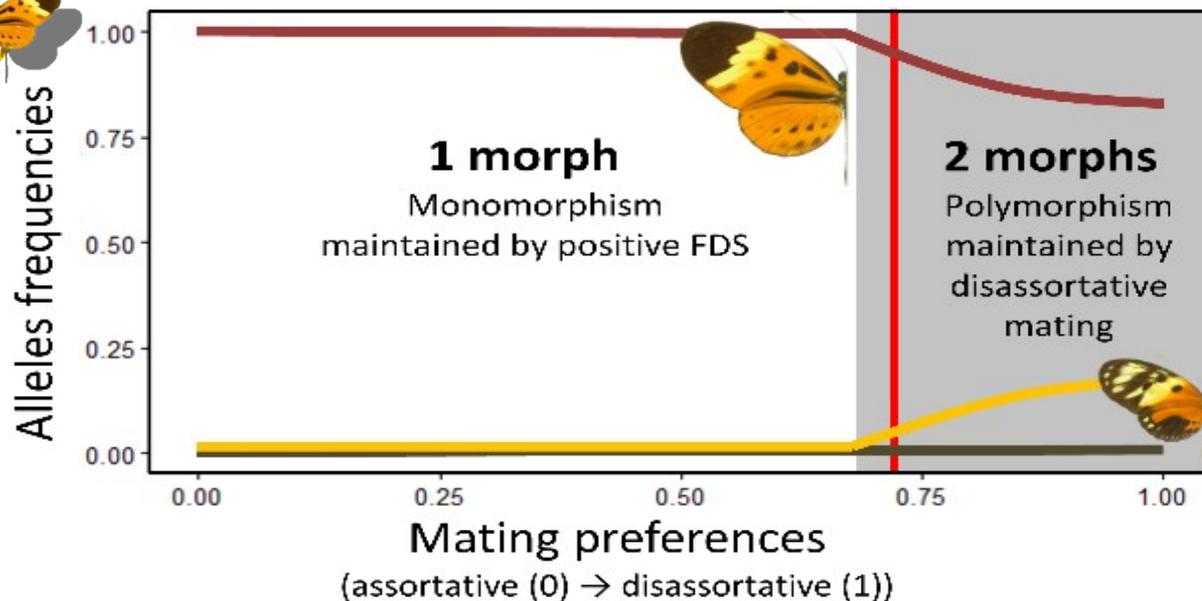
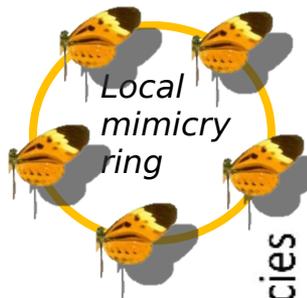
- ▶ Consequences on polymorphism within populations ?
- ▶ From the previous model
 - ▶ Mate preference parameter, which depends on resemblance
 - ▶ Mate=0 □ Strict assortative mating
 - ▶ Mate=0,5 □ Random Mating
 - ▶ Mate=1 □ Strict disassortative mating

$$Pref_{[i][j]} = mate(1 - Res_{[i][j]}) + (1 - mate)Res_{[i][j]}$$

- ▶ Three mimetic alleles with: 

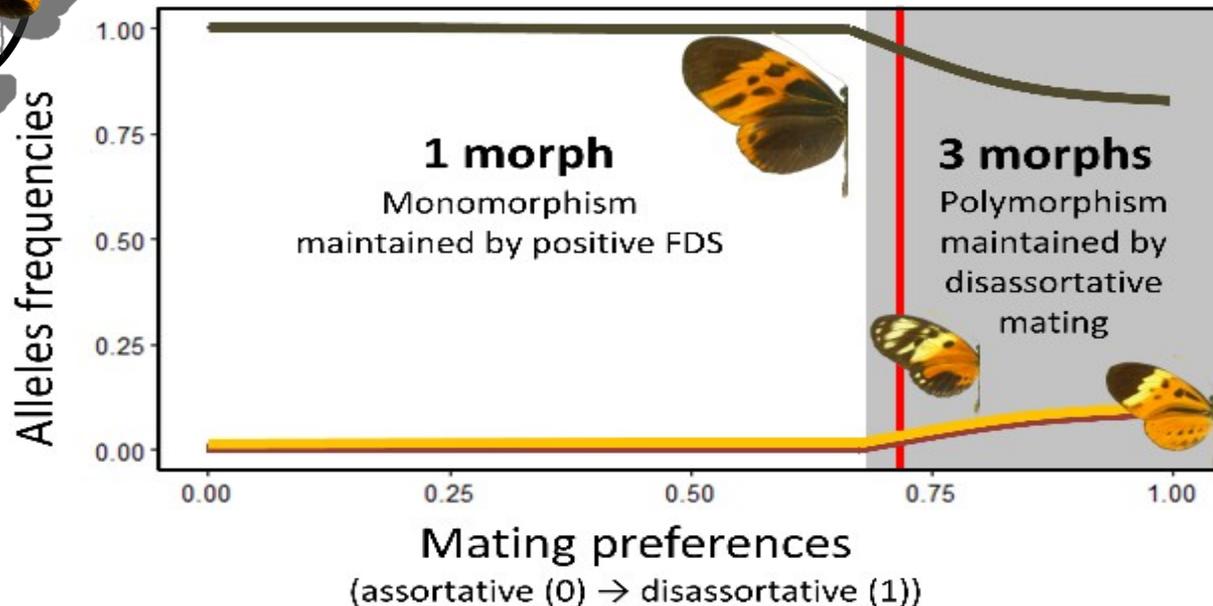
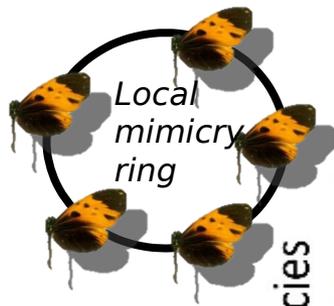
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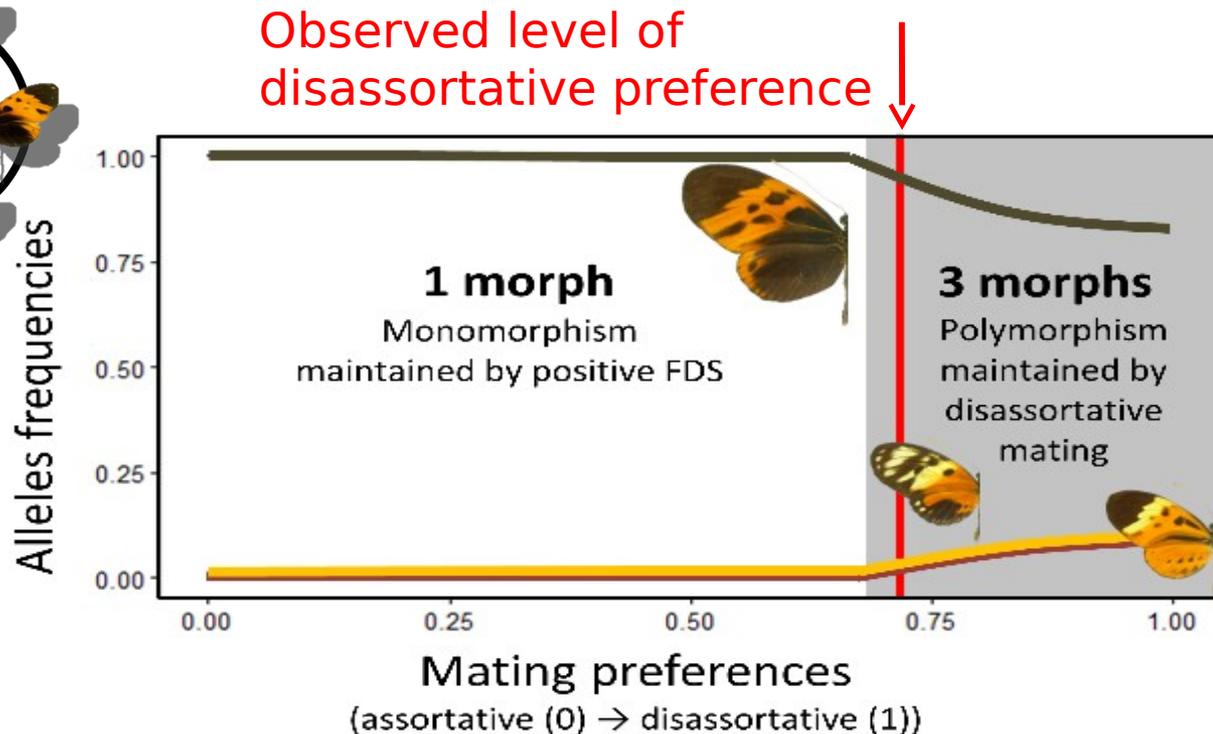
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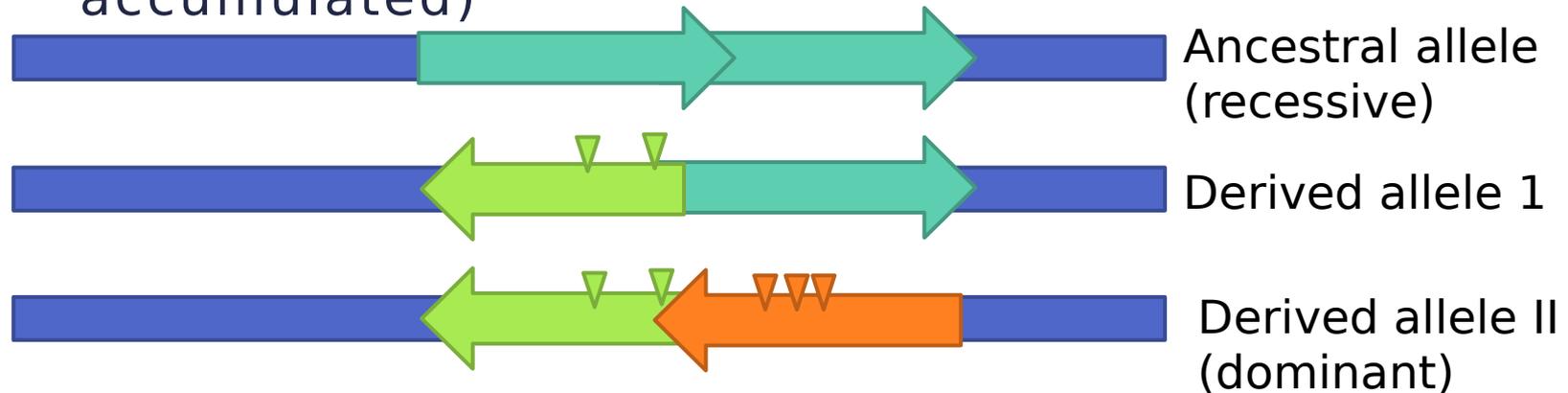
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- ▶ Inversions: linked deleterious mutations (captured or accumulated)



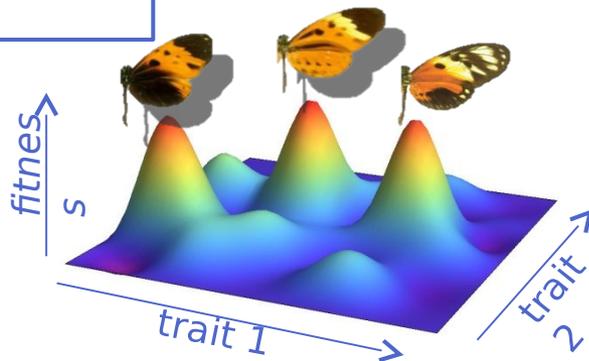
- ▶ Disassortative mating:
 - ▶ Purge of deleterious mutations in recessive alleles (frequently occurring at homozygous state)
 - ▶ Accumulation of deleterious mutations associated with dominant allele
 - ▶ Increase of heterozygote advantage
 - ▶ Promote disassortative mating

Genetic architecture associated with polymorphism

- ▶ Dominance influences
 - ▶ Polymorphism in sympatry
 - ▶ Gene flow among populations
- ▶ Origin of disassortative mating ?
 - ▶ Linked to genetic load associated with inversions ?
 - ▶ Linked to dominance among haplotypes ?

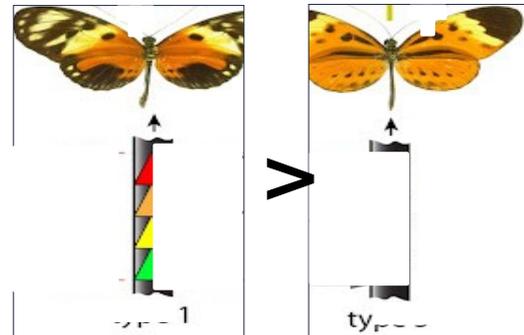
Adaptive landscape:

- Mimetic communities
- Predators behaviours



Genetic architecture:

- Inversions
- Dominance



Disassortative mating:

- ◻ Linked preference locus ?
- ◻ Linked genetic load ?

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