

Limites d'échelle de modèles individu-centrés en dynamique adaptative

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Evolutionary and diversity scales

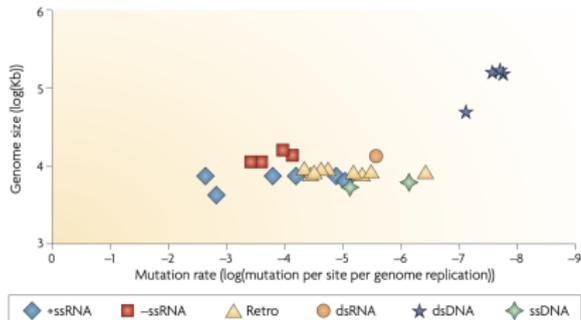


Figure 1 | Average rates of spontaneous mutation in viruses, adjusted to the rate per genome replication. Positive-sense single-stranded (ss) RNA viruses (+ssRNA; RNA phage Q β , poliovirus¹⁰ and Tobacco mosaic virus¹⁰), negative-sense ssRNA viruses (-ssRNA; vesicular stomatitis virus, influenza A virus¹⁰ and measles virus²³), the retrotranscribing viruses (Retro; spleen necrosis virus, murine leukaemia virus, Rous sarcoma virus¹⁰, human immunodeficiency virus type-1 and bovine leukaemia virus²) and the double-stranded (ds) RNA virus (dsRNA; bacteriophage $\phi 6$ [REF. 30]) have RNA-dependent polymerases without any proofreading capabilities. Large dsDNA viruses (dsDNA; bacteriophages λ , T2 and T4 [REF. 65], and herpes simplex virus type 1 [REF. 11]) encode their own DNA polymerases. The two ssDNA viruses (ssDNA; bacteriophages M13 [REF. 65] and ϕ X174 [REF. 12]) use the DNA polymerase of their host, *Escherichia coli*. There are multiple independent estimates for several of these viruses and all were included in this figure.

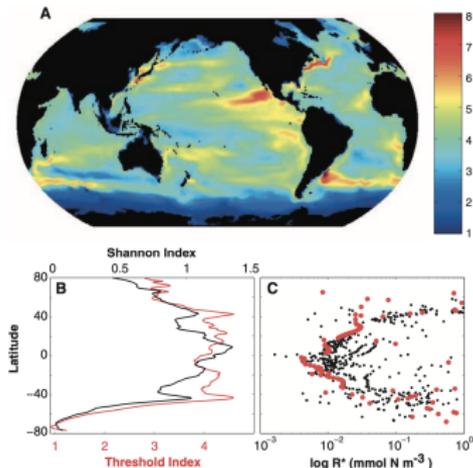


Fig. 1. (A) Diversity of modeled phytoplankton types in the uppermost 260 m, averaged annually across 10 ensemble members. Diversity is defined as the number of phytoplankton types comprising greater than 0.1% of the total biomass. **(B)** Zonal mean diversity, as well as the Shannon Index (H), for the map shown in (A). **(C)** Annual mean R^* (small black dots) of all phytoplankton types with a concentration above 10^{-12} mmol N m⁻³ along a meridional transect through the Atlantic Ocean at 20°W in an idealized global model with a single limiting nutrient (N2). The large red dots show the R^* for only the most abundant type in each latitude.

Evolutionary and population scales

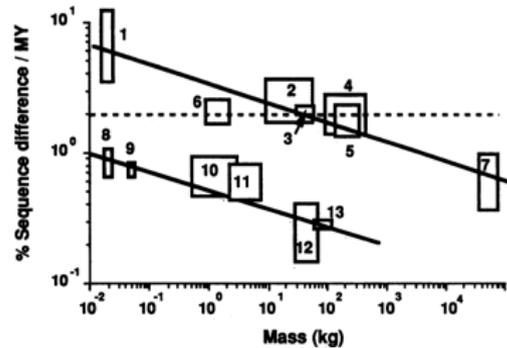
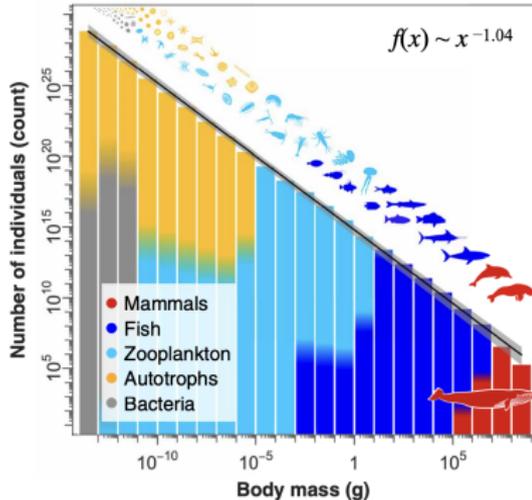


FIG. 2. Relationship between rate of mtDNA sequence divergence (% change per million years) and body size (in kg) for various vertebrates. Data are from Table 2. 1, Mice; 2, dogs; 3, human-chimpanzee; 4, horses; 5, bears; 6, geese; 7, whales; 8, newts; 9, frogs; 10, tortoise; 11, salmon; 12, sea turtles; 13, sharks. Boxes represent the range of rates and body sizes for a given taxon. Solid lines are drawn to pass through the boxes. Dashed line represents the hypothesis of rate constancy.

Adaptive dynamics

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Adaptive dynamics: Darwinian evolution **with focus on**

- **Heredity**: transmission of phenotypes \rightsquigarrow **simplified (asexual)**
- **Mutation**: modification of phenotypes
- **Selection**: consequence of ecological interactions \rightsquigarrow **focus on the interplay between ecology and evolution**

Main question: characterize long-term evolution under assumptions of

- large populations
- small mutations
- rare mutations

Goal of this talk: build macroscopic models from several combinations of these 3 hypotheses satisfying key biological features.

An individual-based (toy) model

Asexual birth and death process with logistic competition and mutation

- Evolution of a quantitative **phenotypic trait**
- Trait space $\mathcal{X} = \mathbb{R}$
- A population composed of $N(t)$ individuals with traits $x_1, \dots, x_{N(t)} \in \mathbb{R}$ is represented by

$$\nu_t = \sum_{i=1}^{N(t)} \delta_{x_i}$$

- Measure-value pure jump Markov process

Population dynamics

For an individual with trait $x \in \mathbb{R}$ in the population $\nu_t = \sum_{i=1}^{N(t)} \delta_{x_i}$:

- clonal reproduction at rate $b(x)$
- reproduction with mutation at rate $p(x)$, mutant trait $x + z$ with $z \sim \mathcal{N}(0, 1)$
- death with rate $d(x) + \sum_{i=1}^{N(t)} c(x, x_i) = d(x) + \int_{\mathbb{R}} c(x, y) \nu_t(dy)$

Population dynamics

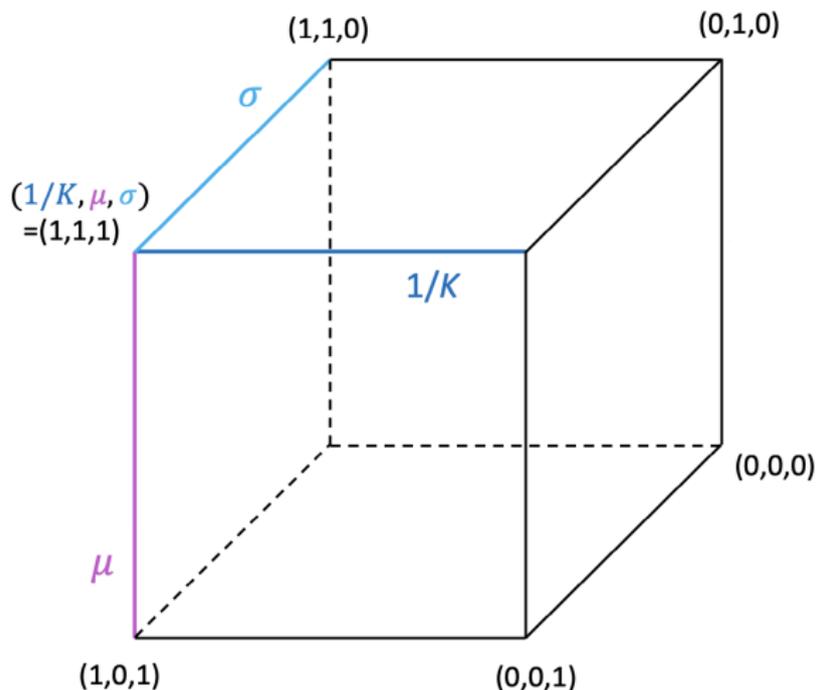
For an individual with trait $x \in \mathbb{R}$ in the population $\nu_t^K = \frac{1}{K} \sum_{i=1}^{N(t)} \delta_{x_i}$:

- clonal reproduction at rate $b(x)$
- reproduction with mutation at rate $\mu p(x)$, mutant trait $x + z$ with $z \sim \mathcal{N}(0, \sigma^2)$
- death with rate $d(x) + \frac{1}{K} \sum_{i=1}^{N(t)} c(x, x_i) = d(x) + \int_{\mathbb{R}} c(x, y) \nu_t^K(dy)$

3 scaling parameters:

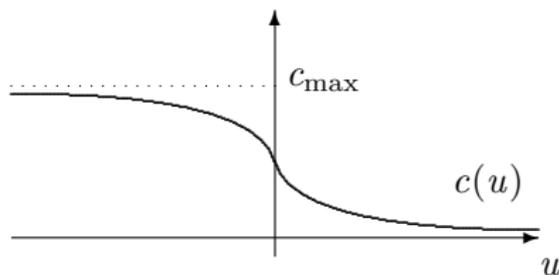
- large population: $K \rightarrow +\infty$
- rare mutations: $\mu \rightarrow 0$
- small mutations: $\sigma \rightarrow 0$

The cube of scaling parameters

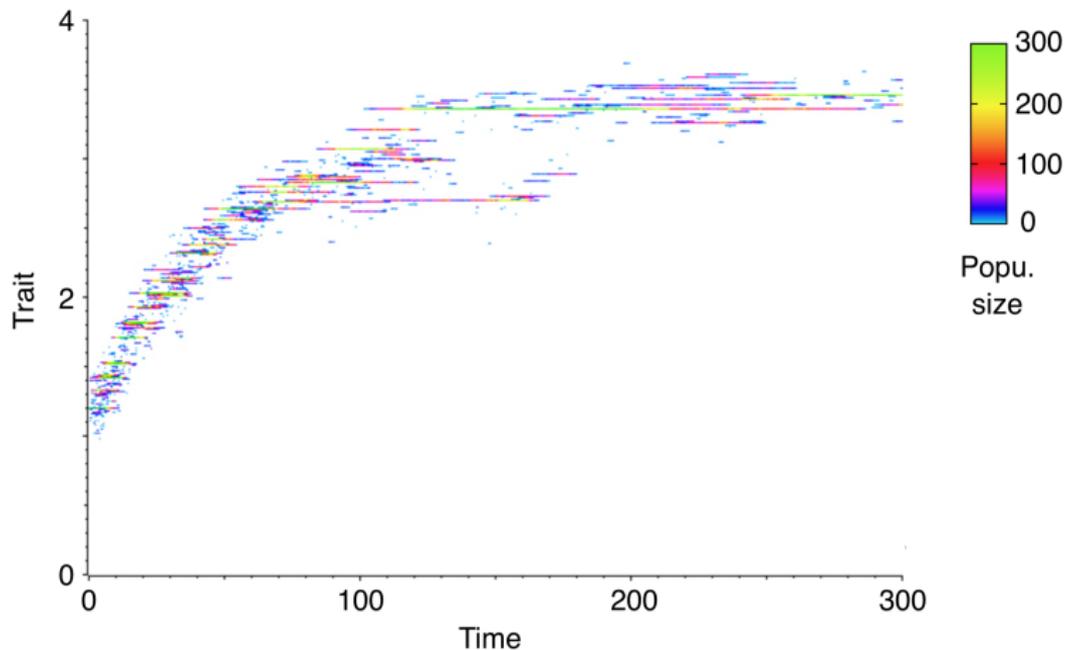


Simulations: evolutionary arms race with asymmetric competition

Trait space $\mathcal{X} = [0, 4]$, $d(x) \equiv 0$,
mutation law $\mathcal{N}(0, \sigma^2)$ (conditioned on $x + h \in \mathcal{X}$)
 $b(x) = 4 - x$, $p(x) = 1$, $c(x, y) = c(x - y)$ with



Simulation



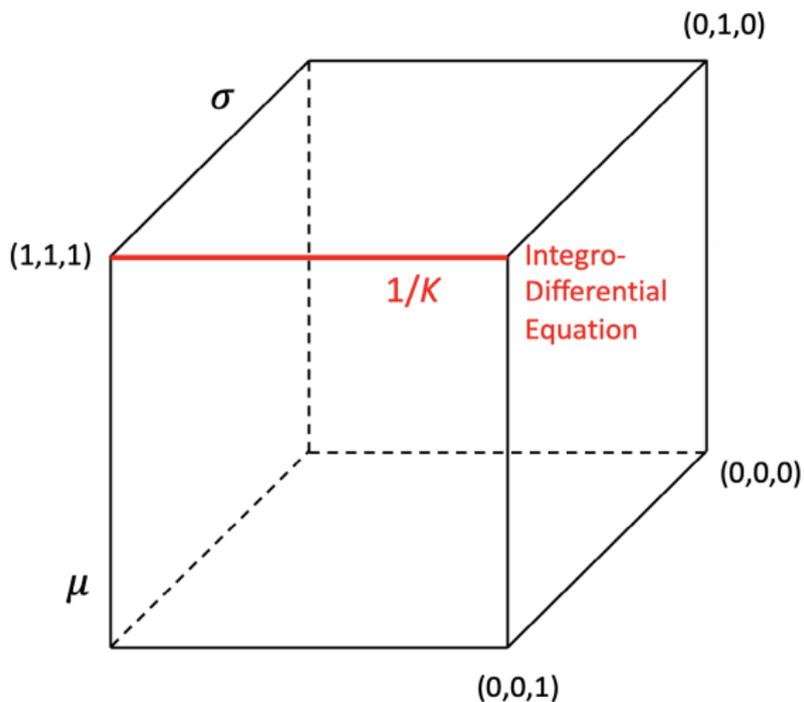
$$K = 100, \quad \mu = 0.03, \quad \sigma = 0.1$$

Limit $K \rightarrow +\infty$ alone

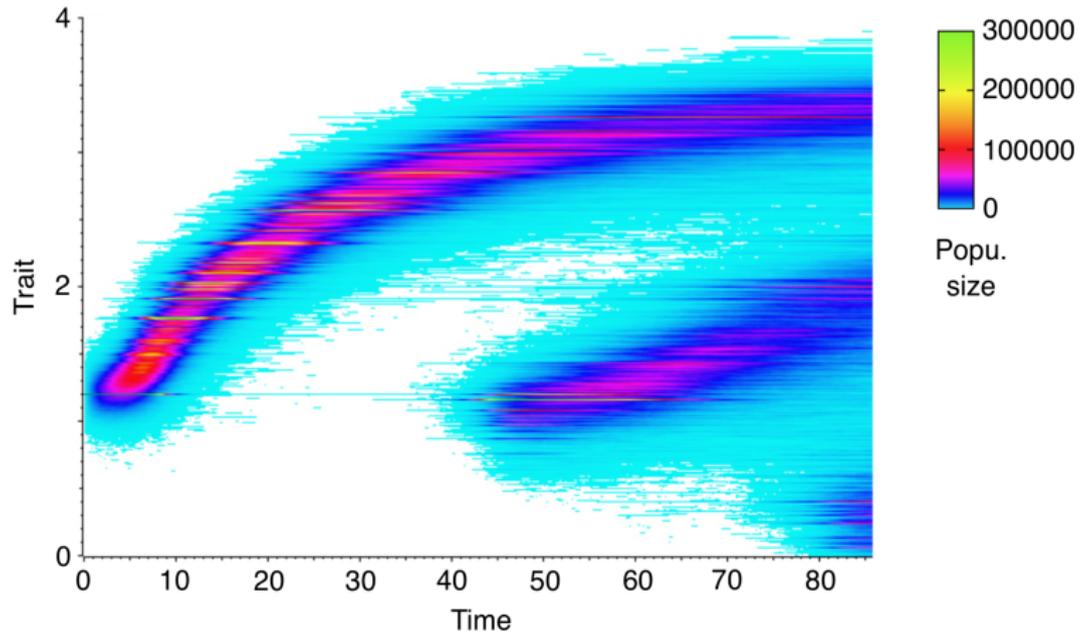
Theorem

Under general assumptions on the parameters and the initial condition, assuming μ and σ constant, ν^K converges in $\mathbb{D}(\mathbb{R}_+, M_F(\mathbb{R}))$ as $K \rightarrow +\infty$ to the unique (weak, measure) solution of

$$\begin{aligned} \partial_t u(t, x) = & \left(b(x) - d(x) - \int_{\mathbb{R}} c(x, y) u(t, y) dy \right) u(t, x) \\ & + \int_{\mathbb{R}} \frac{1}{\sigma} G\left(\frac{x-y}{\sigma}\right) \mu p(y) u(t, y) dy. \end{aligned}$$

Limit $K \rightarrow +\infty$ 

Simulation



$$K = 100\,000, \quad \mu = 0.03, \quad \sigma = 0.1$$

Small mutations and long time: concentration limit

$$\begin{aligned} \partial_t u_\sigma(t, x) = & \frac{1}{\sigma} \left(b(x) - d(x) - \int_{\mathbb{R}} c(x, y) u_\sigma(t, y) dy \right. \\ & \left. + \mu \int_{\mathbb{R}} p(x - \sigma h) G(h) dh \right) u_\sigma(t, x) \\ & + \frac{\mu}{\sigma} \int_{\mathbb{R}} p(x - \sigma h) (u_\sigma(t, x - \sigma h) - u_\sigma(t, x)) G(h) dh. \end{aligned}$$

Hopf-Cole transformation:

$$u_\sigma(t, x) = \exp\left(\frac{\beta_\sigma(t, x)}{\sigma}\right), \quad \text{or} \quad \beta_\sigma(t, x) = \sigma \ln u_\sigma(t, x)$$

gives

$$\begin{aligned} \partial_t \beta_\sigma(t, x) = & b(x) - d(x) - \int_{\mathbb{R}} c(x, y) u_\sigma(t, y) dy + \mu \int_{\mathbb{R}} p(x - \sigma h) G(h) dh \\ & + \mu \int_{\mathbb{R}} p(x - \sigma h) \left[\exp\left(\frac{\beta_\sigma(t, x - \sigma h) - \beta_\sigma(t, x)}{\sigma}\right) - 1 \right] G(h) dh. \end{aligned}$$

Hamilton-Jacobi equation

We expect $\beta_\sigma \rightarrow \beta$ solution to the Hamilton-Jacobi equation

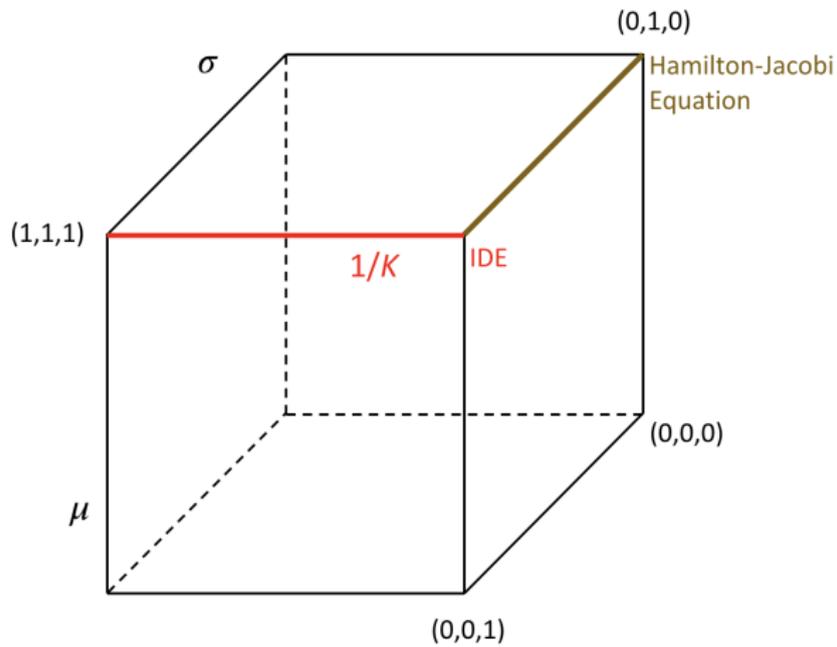
$$\begin{aligned} \partial_t \beta(t, x) = & b(x) - d(x) - \int_{\mathbb{R}} c(x, y) \mu_t(dy) + \mu p(x) \\ & + \mu p(x) \int_{\mathbb{R}} \left(e^{-\partial_x \beta(t, x) h} - 1 \right) G(h) dh, \end{aligned}$$

where μ_t is the limit of $u_\sigma(t, \cdot)$, with the constraint

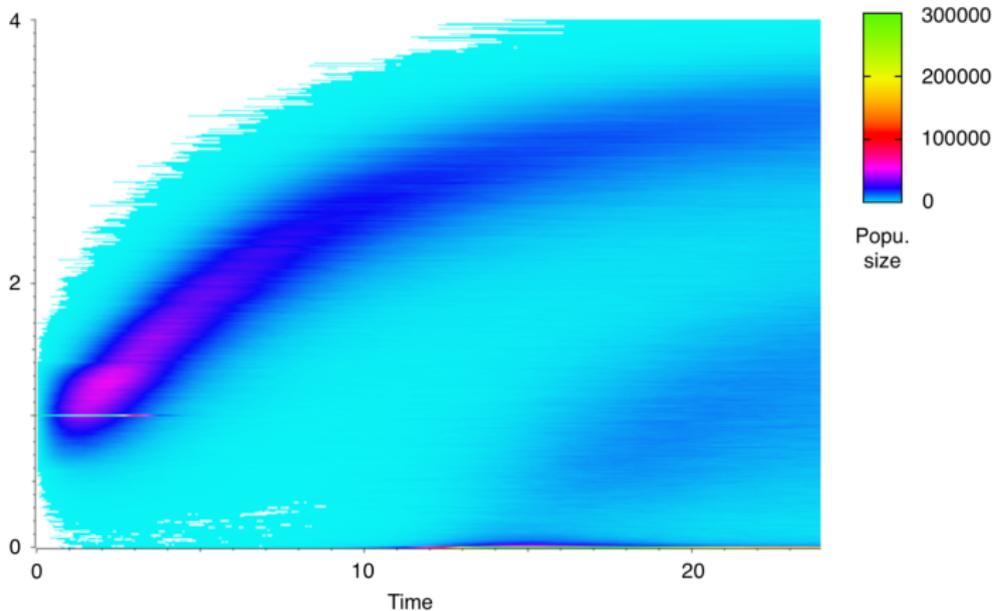
$$\limsup_{\sigma \rightarrow 0} \max_x \beta_\sigma(t, x) = 0.$$

Diekmann *et al.* 2005; Barles, Perthame 2008;
Mirrahimi *et al.* 2009; Mirrahimi, Roquejoffre, 2018

Hamilton-Jacobi limit

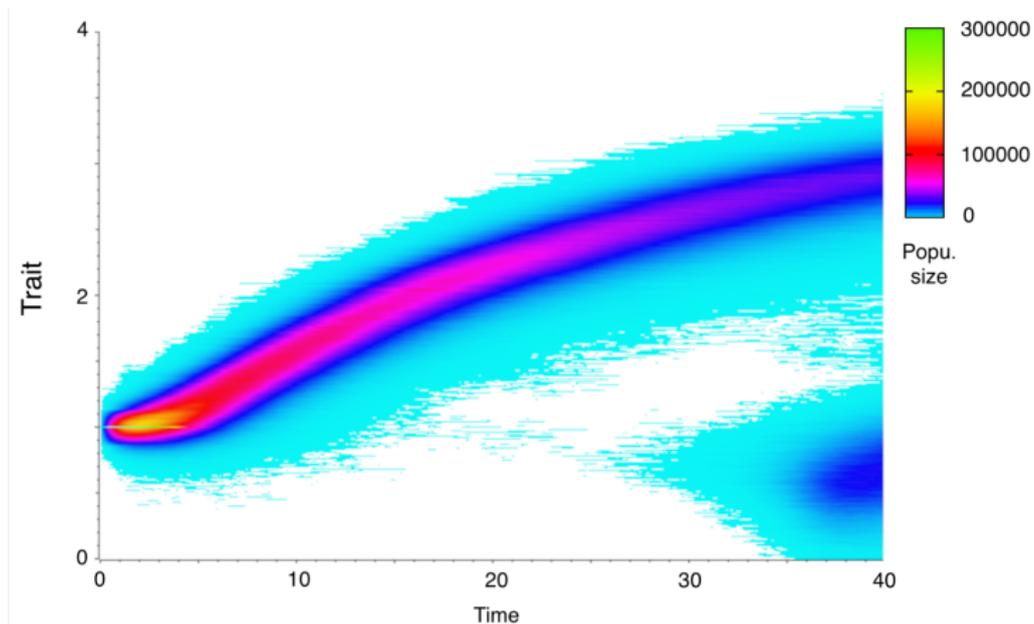


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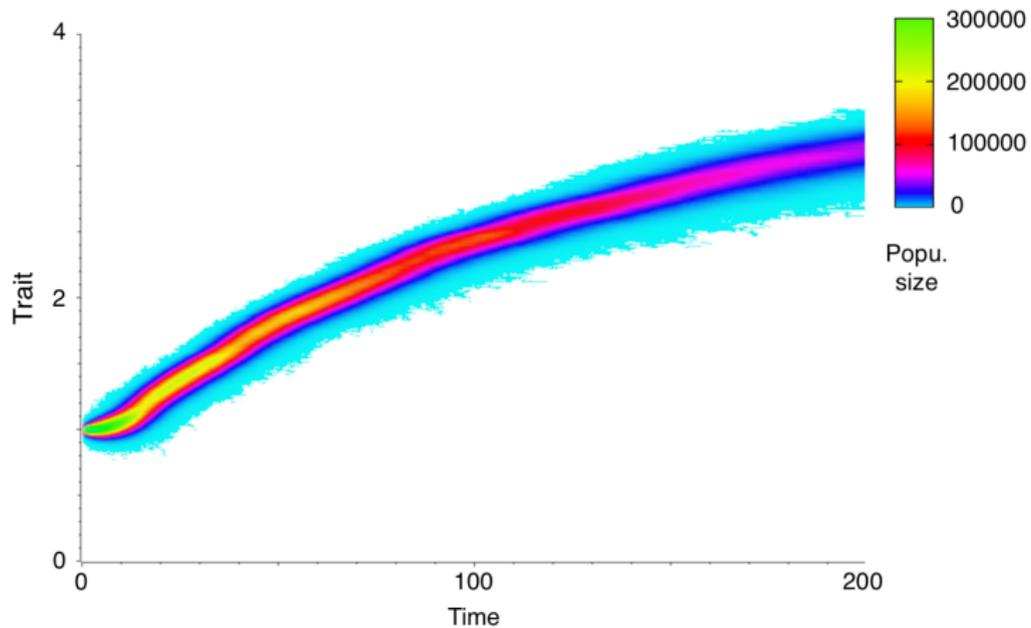
$$K = 100\,000, \quad \mu = 0.3, \quad \sigma = 0.03$$

Simulation



$$K = 100\,000, \quad \mu = 0.3, \quad \sigma = 0.01$$

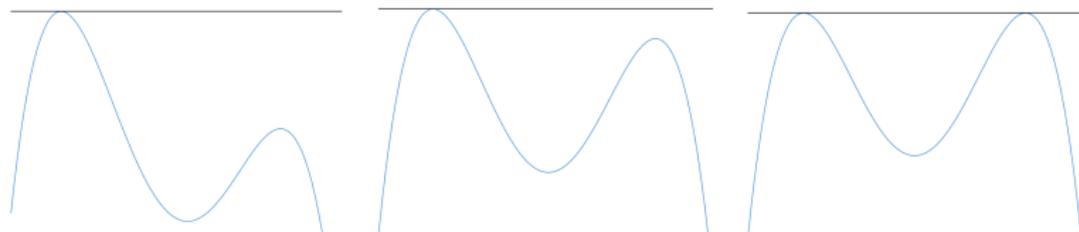
Simulation



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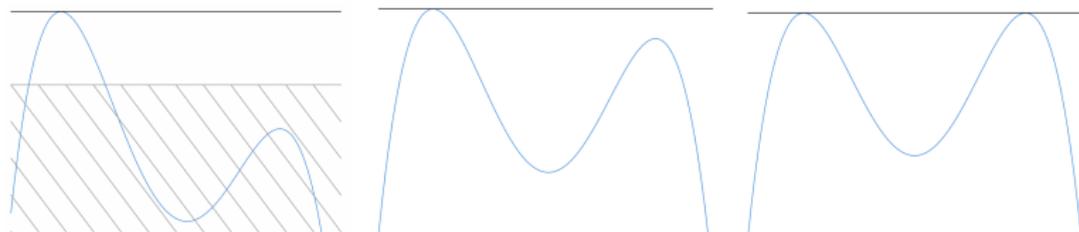
The “tail problem”

Example of dynamics of the function $\beta(t, x)$:



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Example of dynamics of the function $\beta(t, x)$:



- The dynamics is strongly influenced by exponentially small initial population densities in favorable regions far away from the initial population
- Positive population densities everywhere \rightsquigarrow no local extinction
- Evolutionary time-scale is too fast (t/σ)

(Very) rare mutations

The selection process has sufficient time between two mutations to eliminate disadvantaged traits (**time scale separation**):

- succession of phases of **mutant invasion**, and **competition** between traits
- the outcome of competition is given by the **deterministic** population dynamics obtained above

Time scales:

- of individual mutations: $\frac{1}{\mu}$
- of mutations at the populations level: $\frac{1}{K\mu}$
- of ecology (changes in the population densities): 1
- of mutant invasion: $\log K$ (time for a super-critical branching process to reach K)

(Very) rare mutations: $K \rightarrow +\infty$ and $\mu \rightarrow 0$

Theorem

Assume that $\nu_0^K \rightarrow n_0 \delta_x$ with $n_0 > 0$. If

$$\forall C > 0, \quad \log K \ll \frac{1}{K\mu} \ll \exp(CK),$$

then $(\nu_{t/K\mu}^K, t \geq 0)$ converges for f.d.d. to a pure jump Markov process $(\Lambda_t, t \geq 0)$ with values in the set of positive measures on \mathbb{R} with finite support.

Under assumptions preventing coexistence of several traits,

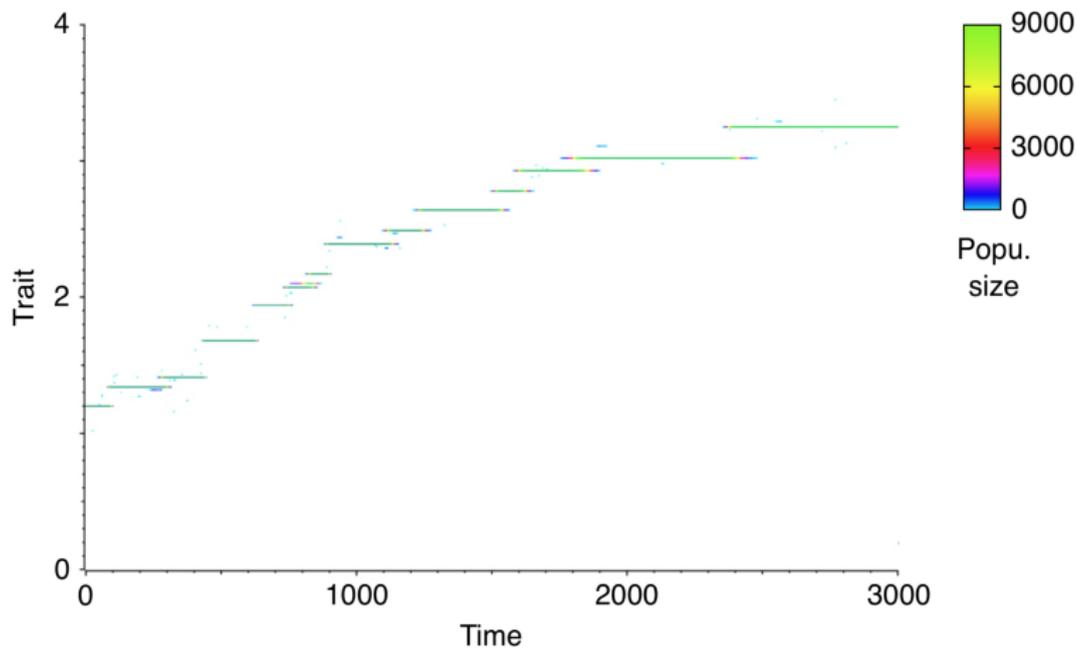
$$\Lambda_t = \bar{n}(X_t) \delta_{X_t},$$

where $\bar{n}(x) = \frac{b(x) - d(x)}{c(x, x)}$ and $(X_t)_{t \geq 0}$ is Markov with generator

$$L\varphi(x) = \int_{\mathbb{R}} (\varphi(x + \sigma h) - \varphi(x)) p(x) \bar{n}(x) \frac{[f(x + \sigma h, x)]^+}{b(x + \sigma h)} G(h) dh,$$

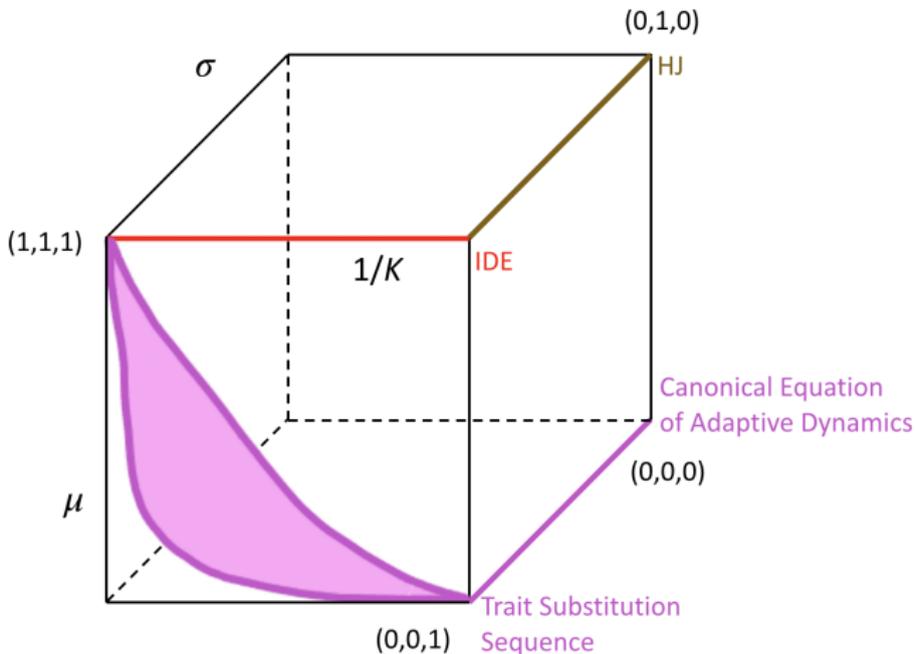
where $f(y, x) = b(y) - d(y) - c(y, x) \bar{n}(x)$ is the fitness function.

Simulation: trait substitution sequence (TSS)



$$K = 1000, \quad \mu = 0.00001, \quad \sigma = 0.1$$

Convergence to the TSS



Biological criticism: too rare mutations

The scaling limit leading to the TSS has been also criticized by biologists:

- strictly monomorphic populations are unrealistic
- time scale of evolution is **too long** ($\frac{t}{K\mu}$)
- mutations are too rare

Intermediate approach: less rare mutations

- allowing to take into account non-extinct but negligible populations may have a strong influence on long term evolution
- allowing for local extinction

A discretized model

- Discretized state space $\mathcal{X} = \{i\delta, 0 \leq i \leq 1/\delta\}$ with step δ
- Population state $(N_0^K(t), \dots, N_{1/\delta}^K(t))$
- Symmetric mutations to the closest trait
- Competition kernel $c \equiv 1$ for simplicity

We define

$$\beta_i^K(t) = \frac{\log(1 + N_i^K(t \log K))}{\log K}, \quad \text{i.e.} \quad N_i^K(t \log K) = K^{\beta_i^K(t)} - 1.$$

- $\beta_i^K(t) = 0$: the population with trait $i\delta$ is extinct
- $\beta_i^K(t) \in (0, 1)$: the population with trait $i\delta$ is non-extinct but negligible w.r.t. the dominant population (of the order of K).

A scaling with (less) rare mutations

Define the relative fitness function $S(i; \ell) = r(i\delta) - r(\ell\delta)$ with $r(x) = b(x) - d(x)$.

Theorem

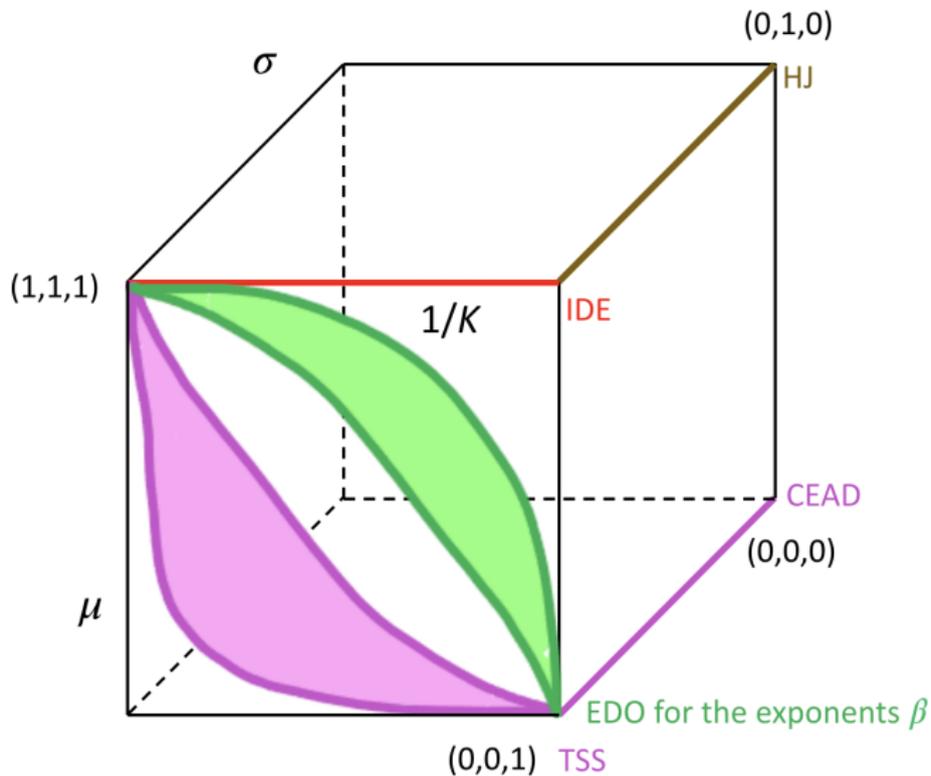
Assume $\mu = K^{-\alpha}$ with $\alpha \in (0, 1)$ and that $N_i^K(0) = \lfloor K^{\beta_i(0)} \rfloor$ with $\max_i \beta_i(0) = \beta_{i_0}(0) = 1$ for a unique i_0 .

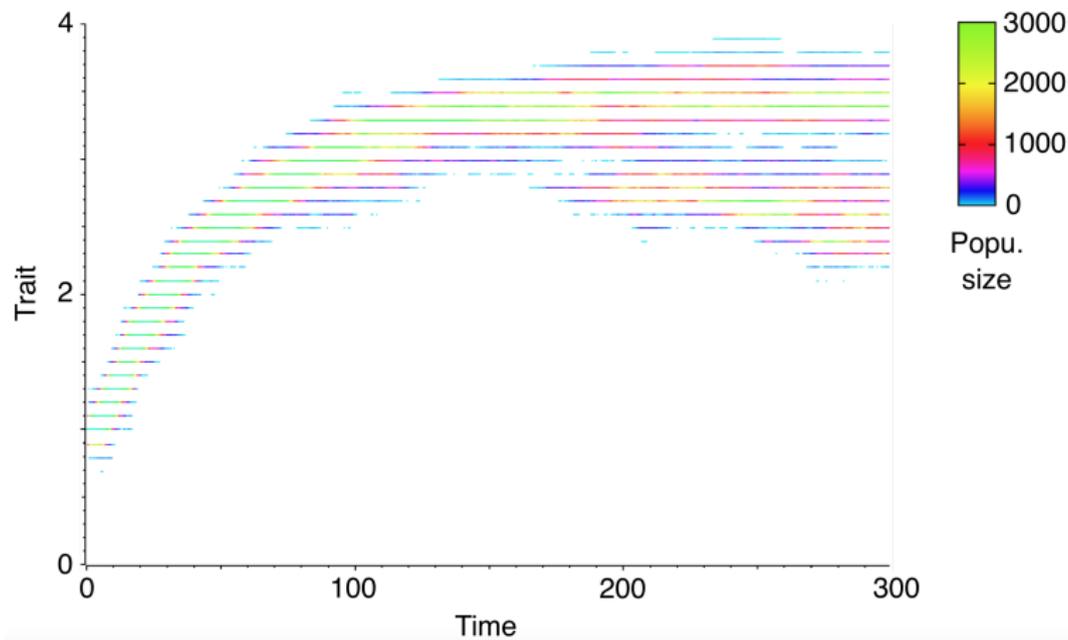
Then $(\beta_i^K)_{0 \leq i \leq 1/\delta}$ converges in probability in $L_{loc}^\infty(\mathbb{R}_+^*)$ to a piecewise affine function $(\beta_i)_{0 \leq i \leq 1/\delta}$ such that

$$\dot{\beta}_\ell(t) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } \ell = \ell^*(t), \\ \max\{S(i; \ell^*(t)), i: \beta_j(t) = \beta_\ell(t) + |l - j|\alpha, \forall \ell \wedge i \leq j \leq \ell \vee i\} & \text{if } \beta_\ell(t) > 0, \\ \max\{S(i; \ell^*(t)), i \neq \ell: \beta_j(t) = \beta_\ell(t) + |l - j|\alpha, \forall \ell \wedge i \leq j \leq \ell \vee i\} \vee 0 & \text{if } \beta_\ell(t) = 0, \end{cases}$$

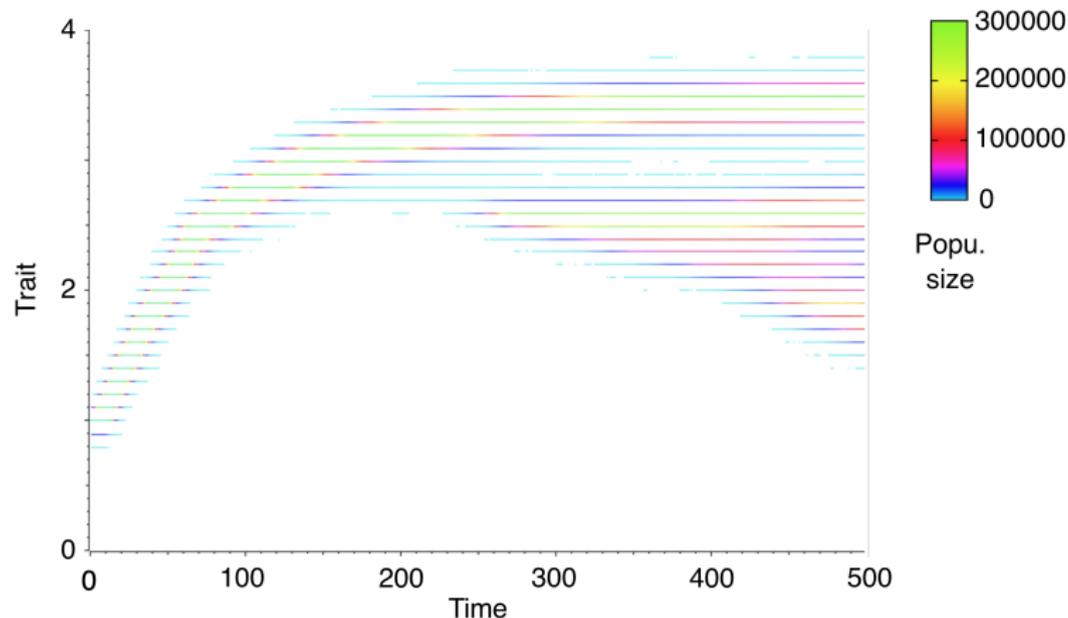
where $\ell^*(t) \in \{0, \dots, 1/\delta\}$ is such that $\ell^*(0) = i_0$ and $\ell^*(t) = j$ for all j and t such that $j \neq \ell^*(t-)$ and $\beta_j(t-) = 1$; otherwise, ℓ^* is constant.

Scaling with less rare mutations



Simulation with $\alpha = 0.5$ 

$$K = 1000, \quad \mu = 0.03 \propto 1/\sqrt{K}, \quad \delta = 0.1$$

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Perspectives: small mutations and vanishing grid mesh

Complex limit dynamics: the Hamilton-Jacobi approach suggests that a scaling with small mutations instead of rare mutations should give simpler dynamics \rightsquigarrow **vanishing grid mesh**

We assume

- grid mesh δ_K , such that $h_K = \delta_K \log K \rightarrow 0$
- grid $\mathcal{X}_K = \{i\delta_K : 0 \leq i \leq 1/\delta_K - 1\}$
- an individual with trait $\ell\delta_K$ gives birth to a mutant individual with trait $j\delta_K$ at rate $p(\ell\delta_K)h_K G(h_K(j - \ell))$
 - \rightsquigarrow **total mutation rate** of the order of $p(\ell\delta_K)$
 - \rightsquigarrow **mutation size** of the order of $1/\log K$

Expected convergence

For all x, t , let i_K be the integer such that $x \in [i_K \delta_K, (i_K + 1) \delta_K)$ and define the piecewise affine interpolation function

$$\tilde{\beta}^K(t, x) = \beta_{i_K}^K(t) \left(1 - \frac{x}{\delta_K} + i_K\right) + \beta_{i_K+1}^K(t) \left(\frac{x}{\delta_K} - i_K\right).$$

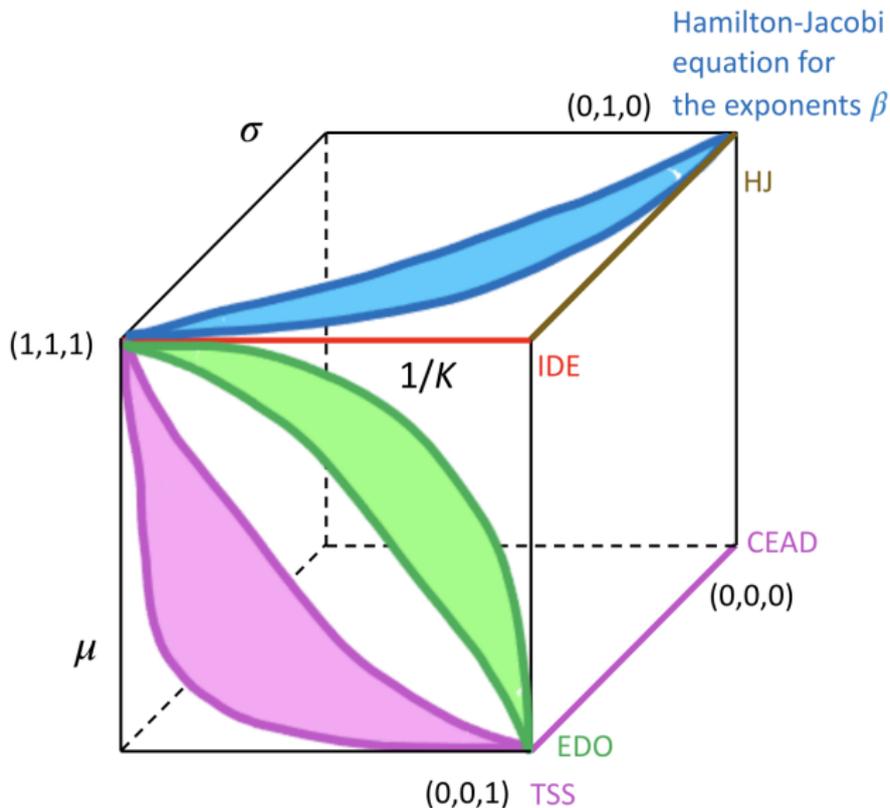
Conjecture (informal)

Assume $\tilde{\beta}^K(0, \cdot)$ converges in L^∞ to $\beta_0 > 0$. Then $\tilde{\beta}^K$ converges to the solution of the *Hamilton-Jacobi equation with constraint and cutoff*

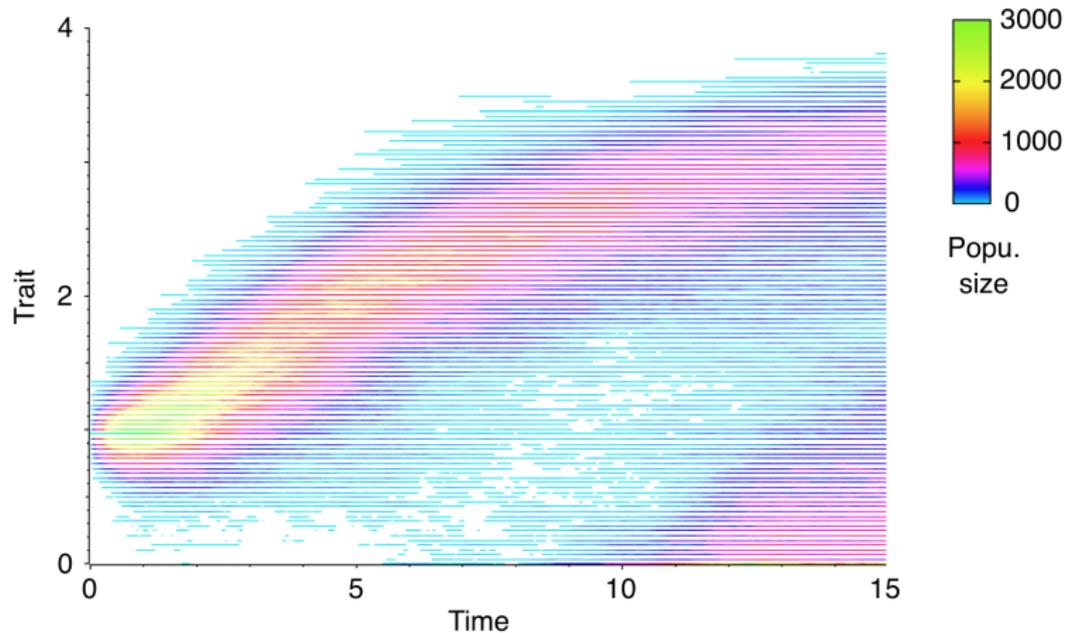
$$\partial_t \beta(t, x) = b(x) + \mu p(x) - d(x) - cI_t + \mu p(x) \int_{\mathbb{R}} \left(e^{-z \cdot \nabla \beta(t, x)} - 1 \right) G(z) dz$$

such that $\beta(0, x) = \beta_0(x)$ with cutoff corresponding to extinction.

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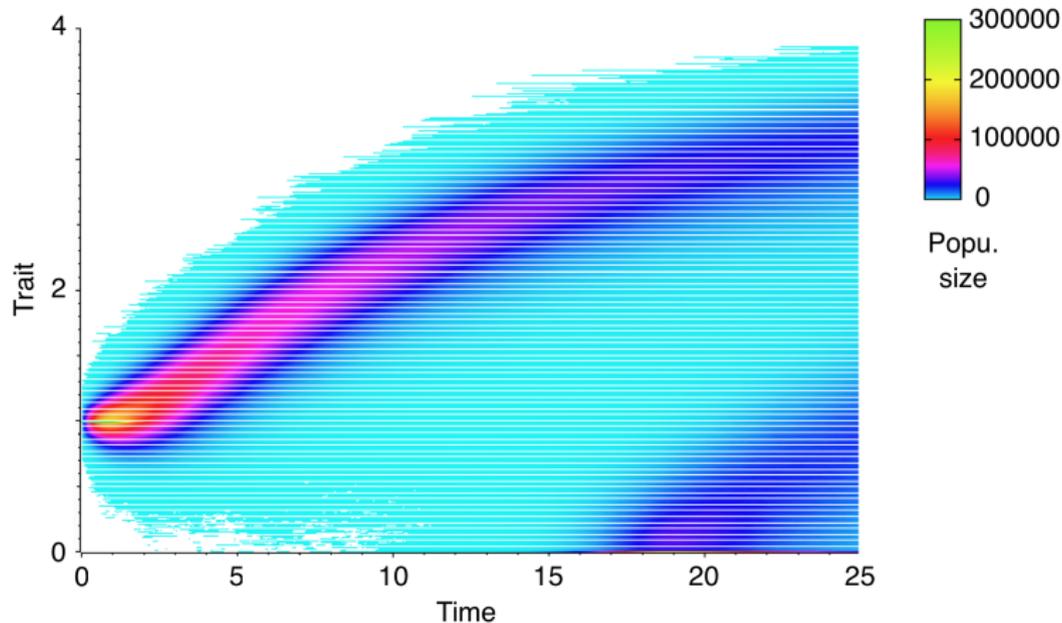


Simulation



$$K = 1000, \quad \mu = 1, \quad \sigma = 0.067, \quad \delta_K = 0.036$$

Simulation

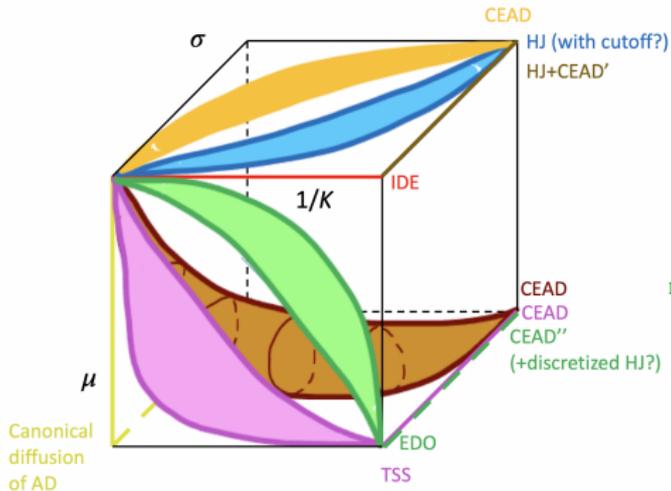


$$K = 100\,000, \quad \mu = 1, \quad \sigma = 0.04, \quad \delta_K = 0.0128$$

Conclusion

- General approach: design macroscopic models allowing to describe the evolutionary dynamics in a simpler (?) way
- Great variety of dynamics starting from the same individual-based model
- All are concentration limits (to evolving Dirac masses), but with very different levels of diversity, evolutionary time-scales and macroscopic behaviors
 \rightsquigarrow provides a large range of modeling tools, but prediction from these models must be done carefully!
- Parameter scalings motivated by discussions in the biological literature and interactions with biologists
 \rightsquigarrow Mathematics can help shed light on the biological debate
- Great diversity of mathematical tools, and several open problems
- ... and this is not the end of the story

Filling in the cube...



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