

« Modern coexistence theory » 2021.11.30

For coexistence, from mutual invasibility, we can rearrange:

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \frac{\alpha_{AA}}{\Gamma_A} > \frac{\alpha_{BA}}{\Gamma_B} & \Rightarrow & \frac{\Gamma_A}{\Gamma_B} < \frac{\alpha_{AA}}{\alpha_{BA}} \\ \frac{\alpha_{BB}}{\Gamma_B} > \frac{\alpha_{AB}}{\Gamma_A} & & \frac{\Gamma_A}{\Gamma_B} > \frac{\alpha_{AB}}{\alpha_{BB}} \end{array} \Rightarrow \frac{\alpha_{AB}}{\alpha_{BB}} < \frac{\Gamma_A}{\Gamma_B} < \frac{\alpha_{AA}}{\alpha_{BA}}$$

multiply the inequality w/ $\sqrt{\frac{\alpha_{BB} \alpha_{AA}}{\alpha_{AA} \alpha_{AB}}}$

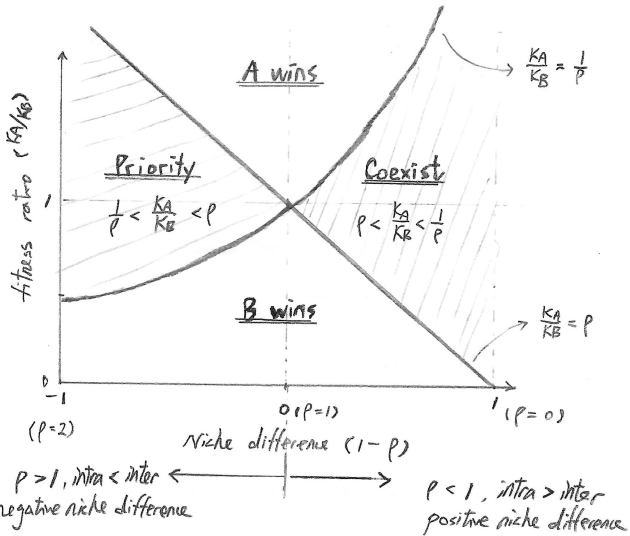
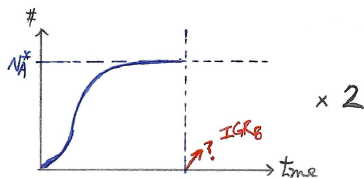
$$\sqrt{\frac{\alpha_{AB} \alpha_{BA}}{\alpha_{AA} \alpha_{BB}}} < \frac{r_A}{r_B} \sqrt{\frac{\alpha_{BB} \alpha_{BA}}{\alpha_{AA} \alpha_{AB}}} < \sqrt{\frac{\alpha_{AA} \alpha_{BB}}{\alpha_{AB} \alpha_{BA}}}$$

↑
niche overlap (ρ)
measure of stabilisation

↑ sensitivity to competition
↑ demographic ratio

fitness ratio ($\frac{r_A}{r_B}$)
competitive hierarchy

$$\Rightarrow \rho < \frac{K_A}{K_B} < \frac{1}{\rho}$$

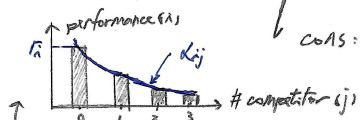


② How to empirically assess competition & niche difference?

1. Invasion experiments

5 pros: model free & direct

cons: only for fast generation & clear monoculture equilibrium



2. Parameterize model

↑ pros: have model to do any analysis via simulation

↳ NS: confidence for the model & difficulty for experiment