This notebook contains the proof that MutSel models will always correspond to a dN/dS≤1. The trick is to look at the forward and backward mutational path at the same time, i.e., we show that the total probability weight in going from i to j and going from j to i is always less than or equal to the sum of the frequencies of i and j.

Throughout this document, we write the frequency of amino acid i as x and the frequency of amino acid j as y. Further, we assume that $x \le y$. The fixation probability from x to y is:

$$ln[81]:= p[x_, y_] := (Log[y] - Log[x]) / (1 - x / y)$$

The sum of the probability weights going from x to y and from y to x is:

Out[83]=
$$\frac{2 \times y \left(\text{Log}[x] - \text{Log}[y]\right)}{x - y}$$

We are going to show that this sum is less than or equal to x+y, i.e.,

$$\frac{2 x y \left(\text{Log}[x] - \text{Log}[y]\right)}{x - y} \le x + y,$$

for x, $y \ge 0$ and $x \le y$.

To this end, we define the function

$$F(x, y) = x + y - \frac{2 x y (Log[x] - Log[y])}{x - y}$$

We thus want to show that $F(x,y) \ge 0$ for $x, y \ge 0$ and $x \le y$. It is straightforward to show this for x = y:

In[92]:=
$$F[x_{,y_{,}}] := x + y - \frac{2 x y (Log[x] - Log[y])}{x - y}$$

Limit[F[x, y], $x \to y$]

Out[93]= 0

We now show that the first derivative of F(x, y) is negative throughout $x \in (0, y)$, thus proving that F(x, y) has to be monotonically decreasing in this interval and hence has to be ≥ 0 in this interval.

In[108]:= FullSimplify[
$$\partial_x$$
 F[x, y]]

Out[108]=
$$\frac{1}{(x-y)^2} ((x-3y) (x-y) + 2y^2 (Log[x] - Log[y]))$$

We can rewrite Log[x]-Log[y] as a series:

$$\ln[101] = \frac{1}{(x-y)^2} ((x-3y) (x-y) - 2y^2 Sum[(1-x/y)^n/n, \{n, 1, \infty\}])$$

$$\begin{array}{c} \text{Out[101]=} \end{array} \frac{\left(x-3\;y\right)\;\left(x-y\right)\,+\,2\;y^2\;\text{Log}\left[\frac{x}{y}\right]}{\left(x-y\right)^2} \end{array}$$

If we take only the first two terms of the series, we find that the expression becomes zero:

$$\ln[103] = Simplify \left[\frac{1}{(x-y)^2} ((x-3y) (x-y) - 2y^2 Sum[(1-x/y)^n/n, \{n, 1, 2\}]) \right]$$

Out[103]= 0

Thus, we can write the derivative of F(x, y) as:

$$\frac{-2y^2 \operatorname{Sum}[(1-x/y)^{\Lambda} n/n, \{n, 3, \infty\}]}{(x-y)^2},$$

which is obviously negative.

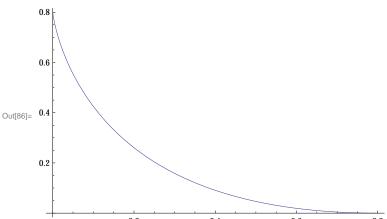
Verification that the last statement was true:

$$\begin{aligned} & \text{In[106]:= FullSimplify} \bigg[\frac{1}{(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y})^2} - 2 \, \mathbf{y}^2 \, \text{Sum[(1 - x/y)^n/n, \{n, 3, \infty\}]} \bigg] \\ & \text{Out[106]:=} \quad \frac{(\mathbf{x} - 3 \, \mathbf{y}) \, (\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y}) + 2 \, \mathbf{y}^2 \, \text{Log} \bigg[\frac{\mathbf{x}}{\mathbf{y}} \bigg]}{(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y})^2} \end{aligned}$$

This concludes the proof.

(*Plot showing that F[x, y] is positive.*)

Plot
$$\left[x + y - \frac{2 x y (\text{Log}[x] - \text{Log}[y])}{x - y} / . y \rightarrow .8, \{x, 0, .8\} \right]$$



ln[130]: (*Plot showing that the derivative of F[x, y] is negative, and that the partial sums approximate it from above.*)

$$\begin{split} & \text{Plot} \Big[\Big\{ \frac{ (\textbf{x} - 3\,\textbf{y}) \ (\textbf{x} - \textbf{y}) + 2\,\textbf{y}^2 \ (\text{Log}[\textbf{x}] - \text{Log}[\textbf{y}]) }{ (\textbf{x} - \textbf{y})^2} \ / . \ \textbf{y} \rightarrow .5, \\ & \frac{1}{ (\textbf{x} - \textbf{y})^2} \left(-2\,\textbf{y}^2 \ (\text{Sum}[\ (1 - \textbf{x}/\textbf{y})^n / n, \ \{n, 3, 3\}])) \ / . \ \textbf{y} \rightarrow .5, \\ & \frac{1}{ (\textbf{x} - \textbf{y})^2} \left(-2\,\textbf{y}^2 \ (\text{Sum}[\ (1 - \textbf{x}/\textbf{y})^n / n, \ \{n, 3, 5\}])) \ / . \ \textbf{y} \rightarrow .5, \\ & \frac{1}{ (\textbf{x} - \textbf{y})^2} \left(-2\,\textbf{y}^2 \ (\text{Sum}[\ (1 - \textbf{x}/\textbf{y})^n / n, \ \{n, 3, 7\}])) \ / . \ \textbf{y} \rightarrow .5 \Big\}, \\ & \{\textbf{x}, 0, 0.5^*\}, \ \text{PlotStyle} \rightarrow \{\text{Black}, \ \text{Blue}, \ \text{Red}, \ \text{Green}\}, \ \text{PlotRange} \rightarrow \{-5, 0\} \Big] \end{split}$$

