Perturbative solution of the generating function for small f_0

We are interested in the linkage equilibrium statistic $\Lambda(f_0)$, defined as

$$\Lambda(f_0) \equiv \frac{\left\langle f_{ab} f_{Ab} f_{aB} f_{AB} \cdot e^{-\frac{f_A + f_B}{f_0}} \right\rangle}{\left\langle f_A^2 (1 - f_A)^2 f_B^2 (1 - f_B)^2 \cdot e^{-\frac{f_A + f_B}{f_0}} \right\rangle},\tag{1}$$

where $f_A \equiv f_{Ab} + f_{aB}$, $f_B \equiv f_{aB} + f_{AB}$ and $f_A, f_B \lesssim f_0$. In the limit that $f_{Ab}, f_{aB}, f_{AB} \ll 1$,

$$\Lambda(f_0) \approx \frac{\left\langle f_{Ab} f_{aB} f_{AB} \cdot e^{-\frac{f_A + f_B}{f_0}} \right\rangle}{\left\langle f_A^2 f_B^2 \cdot e^{-\frac{f_A + f_B}{f_0}} \right\rangle}.$$
 (2)

The moments follows from

$$\left\langle f_{Ab}^{i} f_{aB}^{j} f_{AB}^{k} \cdot e^{-\frac{f_{A} + f_{B}}{f_{0}}} \right\rangle = -f_{0}^{(i+j+k)} \partial_{x}^{i} \partial_{y}^{j} \partial_{z}^{k} H(x, y, z, t) \Big|_{\substack{x=1 \\ y=1 \\ z=2 \\ t=\infty}}, \tag{3}$$

where

$$H(x, y, z, t) \equiv \left\langle e^{-x\frac{f_{Ab}(t)}{f_0} - y\frac{f_{aB}(t)}{f_0} - z\frac{f_{AB}(t)}{f_0}} \right\rangle \tag{4}$$

is the joint moment generating function.

In the limit that $\theta = 2N\mu$ and f_0 are both small compared to one,

$$H(x, y, z, \tau) \approx 1 - \theta(H_A + H_B) + \frac{\theta^2}{2} (H_A + H_B)^2$$

$$+ \theta^2 f_0 \Upsilon + \theta^2 f_0 \int_0^{\tau} d\tau' z(\tau') \left[\Phi_x(\tau') + \Phi_y(\tau') - \rho \Phi_x(\tau') \Phi_y(\tau') \right]$$

$$+ \mathcal{O}(f_0^2) + \mathcal{O}(\theta^3).$$
(5)

where $\tau = t/2Nf_0$, $\gamma_A = 2Ns_Af_0$, $\gamma_B = 2Ns_Bf_0$, $\rho = 2NRf_0$, and

$$H_A(x,\tau) \equiv \ln\left[1 + \frac{x(1 - e^{-\gamma_A \tau})}{\gamma_A}\right],$$
 (6a)

$$H_B(y,\tau) \equiv \ln\left[1 + \frac{y(1 - e^{-\gamma_B \tau})}{\gamma_B}\right],$$
 (6b)

$$\Phi_x(\tau') \equiv -\frac{[1 - e^{-\gamma_A(\tau - \tau')}][\gamma_A + x(1 - e^{-\gamma_A \tau'})]}{\gamma_A [\gamma_A + x(1 - e^{-\gamma_A \tau})]},$$
(7a)

$$\Phi_{y}(\tau') \equiv -\frac{[1 - e^{-\gamma_{B}(\tau - \tau')}][\gamma_{B} + y(1 - e^{-\gamma_{B}\tau'})]}{\gamma_{A}[\gamma_{B} + y(1 - e^{-\gamma_{B}\tau})]},$$
(7b)

$$\Upsilon(x, y, \tau) = \int_0^{\tau} d\tau' \rho \left[x(\tau') + y(\tau') \right] \Phi_x(\tau') \Phi_y(\tau'). \tag{8}$$

The characteristic $z(\tau')$ is defined by

$$\partial_{\tau'} z(\tau') = -(\gamma_{AB} + \rho)z(\tau') - z^2(\tau') + \rho \frac{\gamma_A x e^{-\gamma_A \tau'}}{\gamma_A + x(1 - e^{-\gamma_A \tau'})} + \rho \frac{\gamma_B y e^{-\gamma_B \tau'}}{\gamma_B + y(1 - e^{-\gamma_B \tau'})}$$
(9)

with the initial condition z(0) = z, where γ_{AB} is the rescaled fitness of the double mutant.

Perturbative solution for $\Lambda(f_0)$ for neutral loci and weak recombination

In the absence of recombination, the equation above has an exact solution,

$$z_0(\tau') = \frac{\gamma_{AB} z e^{-\gamma_{AB} \tau'}}{\gamma_{AB} + z(1 - e^{-\gamma_{AB} \tau'})}.$$
(10)

In the limit that $\rho \ll 1$, corrections to the zeroth-order solution can be found by perturbatively expanding $z(\tau')$ as

$$z(\tau') \approx z_0(\tau') + \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \rho^i z_i(\tau'). \tag{11}$$

Plugging the series expansion in the equation for $z(\tau')$ and matching the coefficients in front powers of ρ , we obtain for the first-order correction

$$\partial_{\tau'} z_1(\tau') \approx -\gamma_{AB} z_1(\tau') - 2z_0(\tau') z_1(\tau') - z_0(\tau') + \frac{\gamma_A x e^{-\gamma_A \tau'}}{\gamma_A + x(1 - e^{-\gamma_A \tau'})} + \frac{\gamma_B y e^{-\gamma_B \tau'}}{\gamma_B + y(1 - e^{-\gamma_B \tau'})}. \tag{12}$$

In the neutral limit, the equation above reduces to

$$\partial_{\tau'} z_1(\tau') \approx -\frac{2z}{1+z\tau'} z_1(\tau') - \frac{z}{1+z\tau'} + \frac{x}{1+x\tau'} + \frac{y}{1+y\tau'}.$$
 (13)

This inhomogeneous linear ordinary differential equation can be solved by the method of variation of constants. The corresponding homogeneous equation

$$\partial_{\tau'} z_1(\tau') \approx -\frac{2z}{1+z\tau'} z_1(\tau') \tag{14}$$

has solution in the form

$$z_1(\tau') \approx \frac{\phi(\tau')}{(1+z\tau')^2},\tag{15}$$

where $\phi(\tau')$ is some function of τ' . Plugging Eq. (15) into Eq. (13), we obtain

$$\partial_{\tau'}\phi(\tau') \approx -z(1+z\tau') + \frac{x(1+z\tau')^2}{1+x\tau'} + \frac{y(1+z\tau')^2}{1+y\tau'},$$
 (16)

from where

$$\phi(\tau') \approx -\int z(1+z\tau') d\tau' + \int \frac{x(1+z\tau')^2}{1+x\tau'} d\tau' + \int \frac{y(1+z\tau')^2}{1+y\tau'} d\tau'$$

$$= \frac{1}{2}(1+z\tau')^2 + z\tau' \left(1 - \frac{z}{x}\right) + z\tau' \left(1 - \frac{z}{y}\right)$$

$$+ \left(1 - \frac{z}{x}\right)^2 \ln(1+x\tau') + \left(1 - \frac{z}{y}\right)^2 \ln(1+y\tau') + C,$$
(17)

where $C = \frac{1}{2}$ is a constant determined by the initial condition $\phi(0) = 0$. Then,

$$z_{1}(\tau') \approx \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{(1+z\tau')^{2}} + \left(1 - \frac{z}{x}\right) \frac{z\tau'}{(1+z\tau')^{2}} + \left(1 - \frac{z}{y}\right) \frac{z\tau'}{(1+z\tau')^{2}} + \left(1 - \frac{z}{y}\right)^{2} \frac{\ln(1+x\tau')}{(1+z\tau')^{2}} + \left(1 - \frac{z}{y}\right)^{2} \frac{\ln(1+y\tau')}{(1+z\tau')^{2}}.$$

$$(18)$$

Substituting Eq. (18) into Eq. (11), we find

$$z(\tau') \approx \frac{z}{1+z\tau'} + \frac{\rho}{2} + \frac{\rho}{2} \frac{1}{(1+z\tau')^2}$$

$$+ \rho \left(1 - \frac{z}{x}\right) \frac{z\tau'}{(1+z\tau')^2} + \rho \left(1 - \frac{z}{y}\right) \frac{z\tau'}{(1+z\tau')^2}$$

$$+ \rho \left(1 - \frac{z}{x}\right)^2 \frac{\ln(1+x\tau')}{(1+z\tau')^2} + \rho \left(1 - \frac{z}{y}\right)^2 \frac{\ln(1+y\tau')}{(1+z\tau')^2}.$$
(19)

Thus, to the lowest order in ρ , the numerator of $\Lambda(f_0)$ follows as

$$\left\langle f_{Ab}f_{aB}f_{AB} \cdot e^{-\frac{f_A + f_B}{f_0}} \right\rangle \approx -\rho\theta^2 f_0^4 \left[-\int_0^\tau d\tau' \,\partial_x \Phi_x \,\partial_y \Phi_y \,\partial_z \frac{z}{1 + z\tau'} \right]$$

$$-\int_0^\tau d\tau' \,\partial_x \Phi_x \,\partial_y \partial_z \frac{z}{y} \frac{z\tau'}{(1 + z\tau')^2} - \int_0^\tau d\tau' \,\partial_y \Phi_y \,\partial_x \partial_x \frac{z}{x} \frac{z\tau'}{(1 + z\tau')^2}$$

$$+\int_0^\tau d\tau' \,\partial_x \Phi_x \,\partial_y \partial_z \left(1 - \frac{z}{y} \right)^2 \frac{\ln(1 + y\tau')}{(1 + z\tau')^2}$$

$$(20)$$

$$+ \int_{0}^{\tau} d\tau' \, \partial_{y} \Phi_{y} \, \partial_{x} \partial_{z} \left(1 - \frac{z}{x} \right)^{2} \frac{\ln(1 + x\tau')}{(1 + z\tau')^{2}} \Bigg] \Big|_{\substack{x=1 \\ y=1 \\ z=2 \\ \tau = \infty}}^{x=1}$$

$$= -\rho \theta^{2} f_{0}^{4} \left[-\int_{0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{(1 + 2\tau')^{2}} \, d\tau + 2 \int_{0}^{\infty} \frac{4\tau'}{(1 + 2\tau')^{3}} \, d\tau' \right]$$

$$+ 2 \int_{0}^{\tau} \frac{2\tau' - 2(3 + 2\tau') \ln(1 + \tau')}{(1 + 2\tau')^{3}} \, d\tau' \Big]$$

$$= -\rho \theta^{2} f_{0}^{4} \left[-\frac{1}{2} + 1 - \frac{3}{2} \right] = \rho \theta^{2} f_{0}^{4}.$$

where have used

$$\partial_x \Phi_x \bigg|_{\substack{x=1\\ \tau = \infty}} = -\frac{(\tau - \tau')^2}{(1 + x\tau)^2} \bigg|_{\substack{x=1\\ \tau = \infty}} = 1,$$
 (21a)

$$\partial_y \Phi_y \bigg|_{\substack{y=1\\\tau=\infty}} = -\frac{(\tau - \tau')^2}{(1+y\tau)^2} \bigg|_{\substack{y=1\\\tau=\infty}} = 1.$$
 (21b)

To the lowest order in θ , f_0 , and ρ , the denominator of $\Lambda(f_0)$ can be found as

$$\left\langle f_A^2 f_B^2 \cdot e^{-\frac{f_A + f_B}{f_0}} \right\rangle \approx \theta^2 f_0^4 \partial_x^2 \partial_y^2 H_A H_B \bigg|_{\substack{x=1\\ y=0\\ x=\infty}} = \theta^2 f_0^4 \frac{1}{x^2 y^2} \bigg|_{\substack{x=1\\ y=1}} = \theta^2 f_0^4. \tag{22}$$

Thus, in the neutral limit for small ρ , $\Lambda(f_0) \approx \rho$.

Perturbative solution for $\Lambda(f_0)$ for strong selection or recombination

In the limit that γ_{AB} or ρ are large compared to one, we can rescale time in Eq. (9) so that

$$\partial_u z(u) = -z(u) - \epsilon z^2(u) + \alpha \xi(u) \tag{23}$$

with the initial condition z(0) = z, where $u = \tau'/\epsilon$ is the rescaled time, $\epsilon = 1/(\gamma_{AB} + \rho)$, $\alpha = \epsilon \rho$, $\beta_A = \epsilon \gamma_A$, $\beta_B = \epsilon \gamma_B$, and

$$\xi(u) = \frac{\beta_A x e^{-\beta_A u}}{\beta_A + \epsilon x (1 - e^{-\beta_A u})} + \frac{\beta_B y e^{-\beta_B u}}{\beta_B + \epsilon y (1 - e^{-\beta_B u})}$$
(24)

is a function independent of z.

We can solve Eq. (23) using a perturbation expansion in ϵ , defining

$$z(u) \approx \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} \epsilon^i z_i(u)$$
 (25a)

and

$$\xi(u) \approx \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} \epsilon^i \xi_i(u).$$
 (25b)

At zeroth order,

$$\partial_u z_0(u) = -z_0(u) + \alpha \xi_0(u) \tag{26}$$

with the initial condition $z_0(0) = z$ and hence

$$z_0(u) = ze^{-u} + \alpha e^{-u} \int_0^u e^{u'} \xi_0(u') du'.$$
 (27)

The numerator of $\Lambda(f_0)$ then follows as

$$\left\langle f_{Ab}f_{aB}f_{AB} \cdot e^{-\frac{f_{A}+f_{B}}{f_{0}}} \right\rangle \approx \alpha \theta^{2} f_{0}^{4} \int_{0}^{\tau/\epsilon} e^{-u} du \, \partial_{x} \Phi_{x} \, \partial_{y} \Phi_{y} \, \partial_{z} z \Phi_{x} \Phi_{y} \bigg|_{\substack{x=1 \\ y=1 \\ z=2 \\ \tau=\infty}}$$

$$(28)$$

$$= \frac{\epsilon^2 \alpha \theta^2 f_0^4}{\beta_A^2 \beta_B^2 (1 + \beta_A + \beta_B)},$$

where we have used

$$\partial_x \Phi_x \bigg|_{\substack{x=1\\\tau=\infty}} = e^{-\beta_A u} \left[\frac{1 - e^{-\beta_A (\tau/\epsilon - u)}}{x(1 - e^{-\beta_A \tau/\epsilon}) + \beta_A/\epsilon} \right]^2 \bigg|_{\substack{x=1\\\tau=\infty}} = \frac{\epsilon^2}{\beta_A^2} e^{-\beta_A u}, \tag{29a}$$

$$\partial_y \Phi_y \bigg|_{\substack{y=1\\\tau=\infty}} = e^{-\beta_B u} \left[\frac{1 - e^{-\beta_B(\tau/\epsilon - u)}}{x(1 - e^{-\beta_B \tau/\epsilon}) + \beta_B/\epsilon} \right]^2 \bigg|_{\substack{y=1\\\tau=\infty}} = \frac{\epsilon^2}{\beta_B^2} e^{-\beta_B u}. \tag{29b}$$

The denominator of $\Lambda(f_0)$ can be found as

$$\left\langle f_A^2 f_B^2 \cdot e^{-\frac{f_A + f_B}{f_0}} \right\rangle \approx \theta^2 f_0^4 \partial_x^2 \partial_y^2 H_A H_B \bigg|_{\substack{x=1\\y=1\\\tau=\infty}} = \frac{\epsilon^2 \theta^2 f_0^4}{\beta_A^2 \beta_B^2} \frac{1}{x^2 y^2} \bigg|_{\substack{x=1\\y=1\\y=1}} = \frac{\epsilon^4 \theta^2 f_0^4}{\beta_A^2 \beta_B^2}. \tag{30}$$

 $\Lambda(f_0)$ then follows as

$$\Lambda(f_0) \approx \frac{\alpha}{1 + \beta_A + \beta_B} = \frac{\rho}{\rho + \gamma_A + \gamma_B + \gamma_{AB}}.$$
 (31)

The approximation above holds for any ρ as long as $\gamma_{AB} \gg 1$. If $\rho \gg \gamma_A, \gamma_B, \gamma_{AB}$, then

$$\Lambda(f_0) \approx 1 \tag{32}$$

for any $\gamma_A, \gamma_B, \gamma_{AB}$. If $1 \ll \rho \ll \gamma_A, \gamma_B, \gamma_{AB}$, Eq. (31) reduces to

$$\Lambda(f_0) \approx \frac{\rho}{\gamma_A + \gamma_B + \gamma_{AB}}.$$
 (33)

Is this too simple?

It seems that the only regime that we have not thought about yet is small recombination, strong selection but no epistasis?