

Effective migration rates

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Here is a solid and fairly transparent derivation of the formulae in Zwaenepoel, Sachdeva, and Fraïsse (2024), without the haplodiplontic complications.

Assume a source population A with known allele frequencies $q_i^* i = 1 \dots L$ for variants that are locally deleterious in a sink population B . We write q_i for the corresponding allele frequencies in B . Migration occurs from A to B at rate m . The mean fitness among resident individuals is

$$\overline{W_B} = \prod_{i=1}^L (p_i^2 + 2p_i q_i (1 - s_i h_i) + q_i^2 (1 - s_i)) \quad (1)$$

$$= \prod_{i=1}^L (1 - 2s_i h_i p_i q_i - s_i q_i^2) \quad (2)$$

$$\approx \exp \left(- \sum_i^L 2s_i h_i p_i q_i + s_i q_i^2 \right) \quad (3)$$

The relative fitness of a migrant individual in the resident background is:

$$W_M \approx \frac{1}{\overline{W_B}} \exp \left(- \sum_i^L 2s_i h_i p_i q_i^* + s_i q_i^{*2} \right) \quad (4)$$

write (to avoid double exponents, LaTeX...) q_0 for q^* , we get factors for each locus of the form

$$sq^2 + 2shpq - sq_0^2 - 2shp_0q_0 = sq^2 + 2shq - 2shq^2 - sq_0^2 - 2shq_0 + 2shq_0^2 \quad (5)$$

$$= s(q^2(1 - 2h) - q_0^2(1 - 2h) + 2h(q - q_0)) \quad (6)$$

$$= s[(1 - 2h)(q^2 - q_0^2) + 2h(q - q_0)] \quad (7)$$

$$= s[(1 - 2h)(q - q_0)(q + q_0) + 2h(q - q_0)] \quad (8)$$

$$= s(q - q_0)[(1 - 2h)(q + q_0) + 2h] \quad (9)$$

$$= -s(q_0 - q)[(1 - 2h)(q + q_0) + 2h] \quad (10)$$

so we get

$$W_M \approx \exp \left(- \sum_i^L s(q_i^* - q_i) [(1 - 2h_i)(q_i + q_i^*) + 2h] \right)$$

This is also the expression in Himani's notes on heterosis.

Now consider the first generation (F1). The mean fitness among F1's is

$$\tilde{W}_0 \approx \exp \left(- \sum_i^L s_i h_i (p_i q_i^* + p_i^* q_i) + s_i q_i^* q_i \right)$$

relative to the resident, we get factors of the form

$$sq^2 + 2shpq - sh(pq_0 + p_0q) + sq_0q = -s(q_0 - q)(h + q(1 - 2h))$$

So

$$W_0 \approx \exp \left(- \sum_i^L s_i (q_i^* - q_i)(h_i + q_i(1 - 2h_i)) \right) \quad (11)$$

$$= \exp \left(- \sum_i^L s_i (q_i^* - q_i)(h_i(p_i - q_i) + q_i) \right) \quad (12)$$

Under the assumption that all migrants and their descendants cross with residents, and that the effects of selection on allele frequencies within these F1s, BC1s, etc. is negligible, than we get in the k th BC generation at a generic locus

$$q^{(k)} = q + \frac{1}{2^{k+1}}(q^* - q) \quad (13)$$

The proportion of heterozygotes is hence

$$pq^{(k)} + p^{(k)}q = pq^{(k)} + q - q^{(k)}q \quad (14)$$

$$= q^{(k)}(p - q) + q \quad (15)$$

$$= \left(q + \frac{1}{2^{k+1}}(q^* - q) \right) (p - q) + q \quad (16)$$

$$= 2pq + \frac{1}{2^{k+1}}(q^* - q)(p - q) \quad (17)$$

The proportion of homozygotes is

$$q^{(k)}q = q^2 + \frac{1}{2^{k+1}}(q^* - q)q \quad (18)$$

In general for the k th generation backcross, we obtain

$$\tilde{W}_k \approx \exp \left(- \sum_i^L s_i h_i \underbrace{\left(2p_i q_i + \frac{1}{2^k} (p_i - q_i)(q_i^* - q_i) \right)}_{\text{heterozygotes}} + s_i \underbrace{\left(q_i^2 + \frac{1}{2^k} q_i (q_i^* - q_i) \right)}_{\text{homozygotes}} \right)$$

so, dividing by the mean resident fitness, we get factors of the form

$$2shpq + sq^2 - 2shpq - sh(p - q)(q_0 - q)/2^k - sq^2 - sq(q_0 - q)/2^k \quad (19)$$

$$= -sh(p - q)(q_0 - q)/2^k - sq(q_0 - q)/2^k \quad (20)$$

$$= -\frac{s(q_0 - q)(h(p - q) + q)}{2^k} \quad (21)$$

for the heterozygotes' part, and of the form

$$sq^2 - sq^2 - q(q_0 - q)/2^k = q(q_0 - q)/2^k \quad (22)$$

for the part coming from homozygotes. Putting everything together, this yields:

$$W_k = \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2^k} \sum_i^L s_i (q_i^* - q_i) (h_i(p_i - q_i) + q_i)\right) \quad (23)$$

The gff is then

$$g = W_M \prod_k^\infty W_k \quad (24)$$

$$= \exp\left(-\sum_i^L s_i (q_i^* - q_i) [(1 - 2h_i)(q_i + q_i^*) + 2h]\right) \exp\left(-2 \sum_i^L s_i (q_i^* - q_i) (h_i(p_i - q_i) + q_i)\right) \quad (25)$$

$$= \exp\left(-\sum_i^L s_i (q_i^* - q_i) [(1 - 2h_i)(q_i + q_i^*) + 2h] + 2s_i (q_i^* - q_i) (h_i(p_i - q_i) + q_i)\right) \quad (26)$$

$$= \exp\left(-\sum_i^L s_i (q_i^* - q_i) [(1 - 2h_i)(q_i + q_i^*) + 2h + 2(h_i(p_i - q_i) + q_i)]\right) \quad (27)$$

$$= \exp\left(-\sum_i^L 2s_i (q_i^* - q_i) \left[2h + \frac{1}{2}(3q_i - q_i^*)(1 - 2h)\right]\right) \quad (28)$$

in the absence of dominance, this becomes

$$g = \exp\left(-\sum_i^L s (q_i^* - q_i)\right) \exp\left(-2 \sum_i^L \frac{s_i}{2} (q_i^* - q_i)\right) \quad (29)$$

$$= \exp\left(-2 \sum_i^L s (q_i^* - q_i)\right) \quad (30)$$

which is the same as the result for a haploid model.

When migration happens after selection, the factor W_M should be dropped. In general it appears more transparent to write the gff as in eq. 25.

When allele frequencies fluctuate, one can take $\mathbb{E}[g]$ as an approximation, dropping terms that are $O(s^2)$, assuming LE, and assuming the source and island allele frequencies are independent. The gff will then be a function of the first two moments of the allele frequency

distribution (only the first moment in the absence of dominance).

$$\mathbb{E}[g] \approx \mathbb{E}[W_M] \prod_k^{\infty} \mathbb{E}[W_k] \quad (31)$$

$$\approx \exp \left(- \sum_i^L \mathbb{E} [s_i (q_i^* - q_i) [(1 - 2h_i)(q_i + q_i^*) + 2h]] \right) \quad (32)$$

$$\times \exp \left(-2 \sum_i^L \mathbb{E} [s_i (q_i^* - q_i) (h_i(p_i - q_i) + q_i)] \right) \quad (33)$$

$$\approx \exp \left(- \sum_i^L s_i ((q_i^* - \mathbb{E}[q_i]) - (1 - 2h_i) [pq_i^* - \mathbb{E}[pq_i]]) \right) \quad (34)$$

$$\times \exp \left(-2 \sum_i^L s_i (h_i(q_i^* - \mathbb{E}[q_i]) - (1 - 2h_i) [p_i^* \mathbb{E}[q_i] - \mathbb{E}[pq_i]]) \right) \quad (35)$$

This is what's in equation 10 of our genetics paper.

Question: how do random allele frequencies affect the assumptions regarding the allele frequencies in the BC generations? Are we safe in using the $\mathbb{E}[g]$ where g is obtained conditional on known allele frequencies?

Two-locus theory suggests that the effective migration rate at a neutral locus linked to a selected one in a diploid is given by

$$m_e = m \left(1 - \frac{s(q - q^*)(h + (1 - 2h)q)}{r + m + s(h + (1 - 2h)q)(p - q)} \right) \quad (36)$$

$$= m \left(1 - \frac{s(q - q^*)(h(p - q) + q)}{r + m + s(h(p - q) + q)(p - q)} \right) \quad (37)$$

$$= m \exp \left(- \frac{s(q - q^*)(h(p - q) + q)}{r + m + s(h(p - q) + q)(p - q)} \right) \quad (38)$$

For the case where $r \approx 0.5 \gg m, s$ this yields the same prediction as above (barring the contribution from the diploid migrant).

If we take the exponent in the last line, and expand in powers of s , we find

$$-\frac{s}{m + r} (2hq^2 - 2hqq_0 - hq + hq_0 - q^2 + qq_0) + O(s^2)$$

Taking expectations and rearranging, we obtain to first order in s

$$-\frac{s}{m + r} (h (q^* - \mathbb{E}[q]) - (1 - 2h) [p^* \mathbb{E}[q] - \mathbb{E}[pq]])$$

This suggests a gff approximation of the form

$$\mathbb{E}[g(x)] \approx \mathbb{E}[W_M] \prod_k^{\infty} \mathbb{E}[W_k] \quad (39)$$

$$\approx \exp \left(- \sum_i^L s_i ((q_i^* - \mathbb{E}[q_i]) - (1 - 2h_i) [pq_i^* - \mathbb{E}[pq_i]]) \right) \quad (40)$$

$$\times \exp \left(- \sum_i^L \frac{s_i (h_i (q_i^* - \mathbb{E}[q_i]) - (1 - 2h_i) [p_i^* \mathbb{E}[q_i] - \mathbb{E}[pq_i]])}{m + r(x, x_i)} \right) \quad (41)$$

However, this ignores the fact that we often will have $m = O(s)$ and $r = O(s)$ as $s \rightarrow 0$. Assuming $m = O(s)$ and $r = O(s)$, we get

$$-s \left(\frac{qq_0 - q^2 + hq_0 - hq - 2hqq_0 + 2hq^2}{m + r + s (4hq^2 - 4hq + h - 2q^2 + q)} \right) + O(s^2)$$

Taking expectations is now more tricky because of the q 's in the denominator. Proceeding naively with the numerator and denominator separately, we get

$$-\frac{s (h (q^* - \mathbb{E}[q]) - (1 - 2h) [p^* \mathbb{E}[q] - \mathbb{E}[pq]])}{m + r + s(h - \mathbb{E}[q] + (1 - 2h)2\mathbb{E}[pq])}$$

This suggests a gff approximation of the form

$$\mathbb{E}[g(x)] \approx \mathbb{E}[W_M] \prod_k^{\infty} \mathbb{E}[W_k] \quad (42)$$

$$\approx \exp \left(- \sum_i^L s_i ((q_i^* - \mathbb{E}[q_i]) - (1 - 2h_i) [pq_i^* - \mathbb{E}[pq_i]]) \right) \quad (43)$$

$$\times \exp \left(- \sum_i^L \frac{s_i (h_i (q_i^* - \mathbb{E}[q_i]) - (1 - 2h_i) [p_i^* \mathbb{E}[q_i] - \mathbb{E}[pq_i]])}{m + r(x, x_i) + s_i (h_i - \mathbb{E}[q_i] + (1 - 2h_i)2\mathbb{E}[pq_i])} \right) \quad (44)$$

which is equation 5 in the Genetics paper.

Consider $h = 1/2$ to obtain a haploid/no dominance model:

$$\mathbb{E}[g(x)] \approx \mathbb{E}[W_M] \prod_k^{\infty} \mathbb{E}[W_k] \quad (45)$$

$$\approx \exp \left(- \sum_i^L s_i (q_i^* - \mathbb{E}[q_i]) \right) \exp \left(- \sum_i^L \frac{s_i h_i (q_i^* - \mathbb{E}[q_i])}{m + r(x, x_i) + s_i h_i (1 - 2\mathbb{E}[q_i])} \right) \quad (46)$$

$$\text{where } h_i = 1/2 \quad (47)$$

What does this entail for a single selected haploid locus at equilibrium frequency m/s , fixed

in the mainland?

$$\mathbb{E}[g(x)] \approx \exp(-s(1 - m/s)) \exp\left(-\frac{s(1 - m/s)}{m + r + s (1 - 2m/s)}\right) \quad (48)$$

$$\approx \exp(-(s - m)) \exp\left(-\frac{s - m}{r + s - m}\right) \quad (49)$$

$$\approx \exp\left(-(s - m)\left(1 + \frac{1}{r + s - m}\right)\right) \quad (50)$$

$$\approx \exp\left(\frac{(m - s)(1 - m + r + s)}{r + s - m}\right) \quad (51)$$

$$\text{where } m < s \quad (52)$$

as $m \rightarrow 0$, this becomes

$$\mathbb{E}[g] = \exp\left(\frac{-s(1 - r - s)}{r + s}\right) \approx \exp\left(\frac{-s}{r + s}\right) \approx 1 - \frac{s}{r + s} = \frac{r}{r + s} \quad (53)$$

Which is the result of Petry (1983).

Two island coalescent with unidirectional migration

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