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PERRY 1997

integrity.

- how do we know?
- so what?

• DEFINITIONS

infectious disease? parasite?

EKOLOGY

- abundance?

malaria mapping project

- INCIDENCE - new cases.
- PREVALENCE - existing cases
  - ↳ serosurveys

- proxies

- population genetics. \*

← EVOLUTION -

- mutation, selection,  
drift
-

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## DEFINITIONS -

why be a parasite?

'natural enemy' interactions.

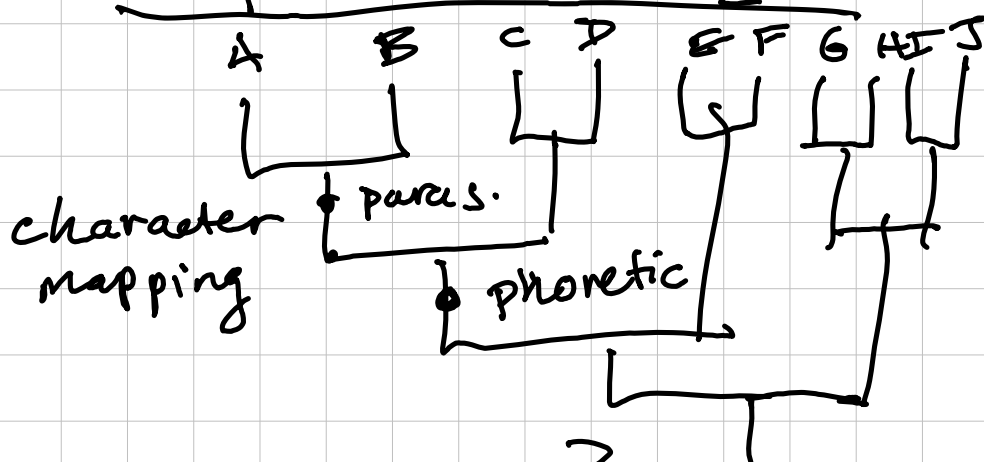
(+/-)

• symbiosis?

protection

• phoretic •

• comparative analysis •



OBLIGATE

FACULTATIVE

LABILE / LABILITY

## epidemic models •

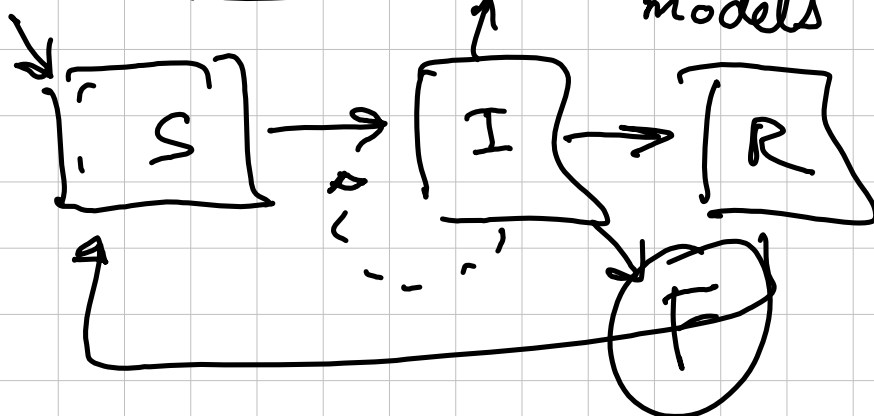
• NATURAL HISTORY

• time scale -

host demography?

disease-induced mortality?

• BOX MODELS, compartmental models



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- not directed ·
- host counteracts
- CONSTRAINTS

← levels  
why doesn't?  
char. loss  
exploit

- ↳ physical / chemical limitation
- ↳ tradeoffs
- ↳ mutational spectrum
  - available genetic variation

↳ generation time  
mutation rate  
fecundity?

~~no~~ EPISTASIS

multiple loci interact

HAART

arms races ·

Red Queen



fitness  
landscapes

DRIFT

LEVELS of SELECTION

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SIR model.

• special cases.

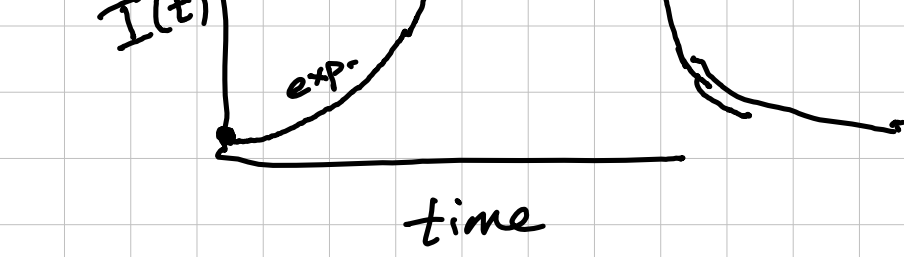
SI (tuberculosis)

SIS. gonorrhea.

SIRS. - COVID

birth, death, disease-induced mortality, vaccination, treatment

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{dS}{dt} &= b - \beta SI - \mu S && \text{PER CAPITA} \\ \frac{dI}{dt} &= \beta SI - \mu I - \alpha I - \gamma I \\ \frac{dR}{dt} &= \gamma I - \mu R \end{aligned}$$



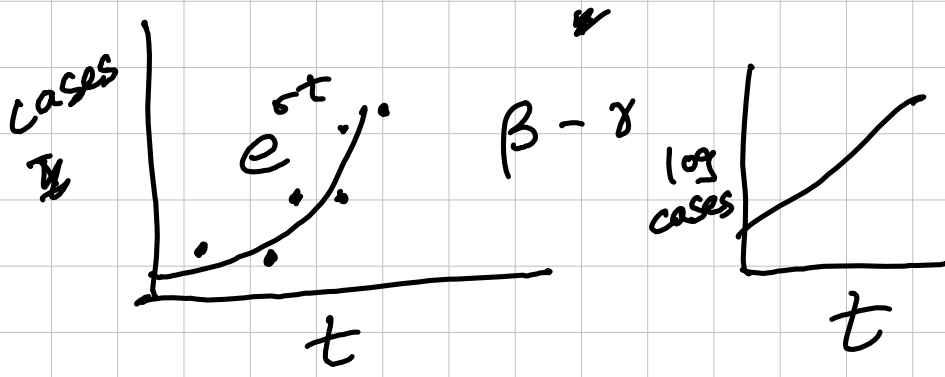
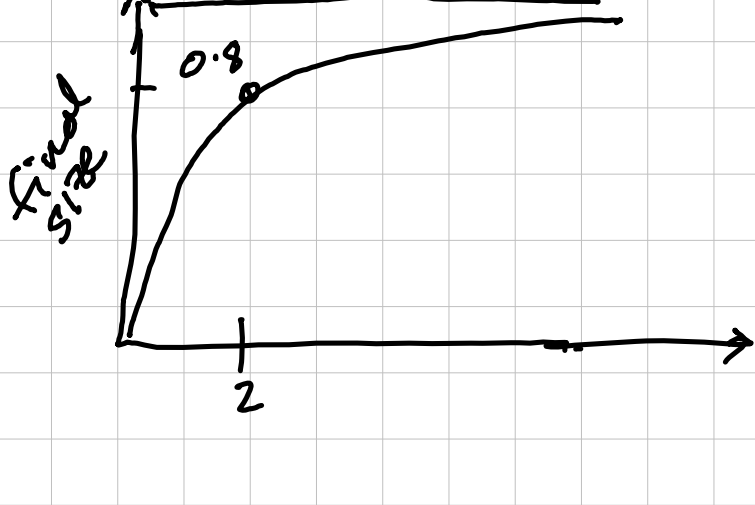
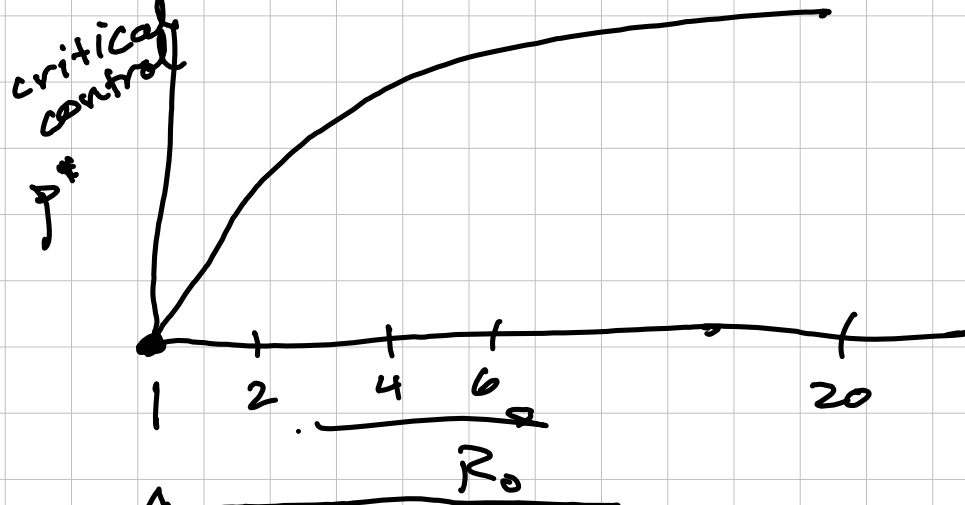
$$R_0 = \frac{\beta N}{\gamma} \quad \text{INTRINSIC reprod number.}$$

$$\frac{1}{\gamma} = \text{infectious period} \quad \gamma = 0.2 \text{ day}^{-1} \quad \frac{1}{\gamma} = 5 \text{ day}$$

$$R_0 > 1; \quad r = \beta N - \gamma \quad \text{growth rate}$$

CRITICAL CONTROL FRACTION

$$p^* = 1 - \frac{1}{R_0}$$



$$\gamma = ? \quad \frac{1}{\gamma} = \text{infectious period}$$

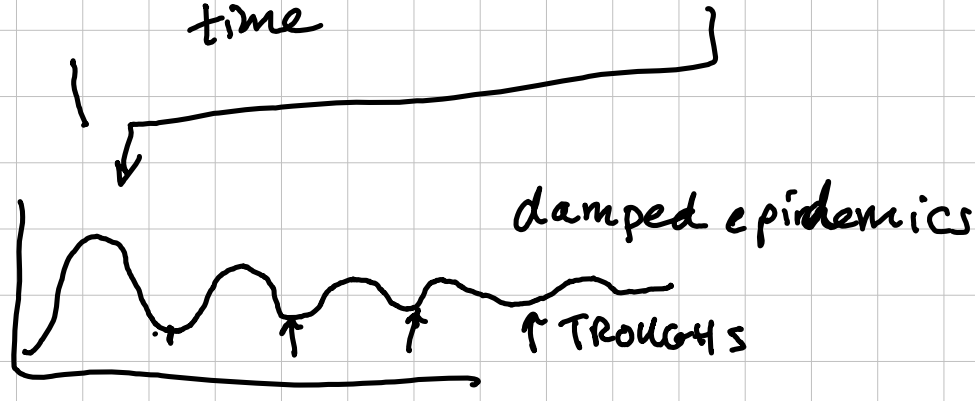
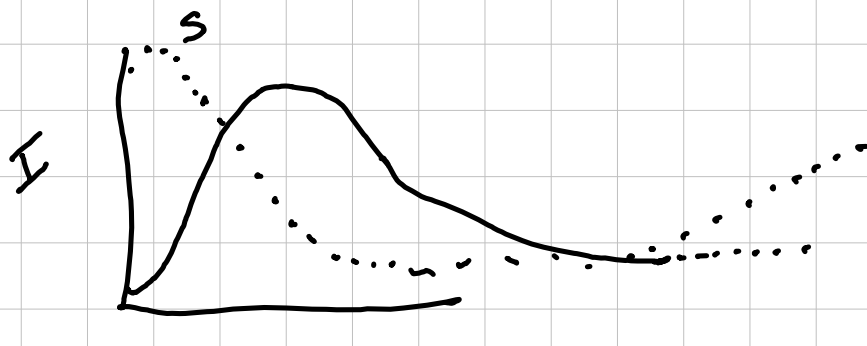
vector-borne diseases, STDs.

Contact tracing.

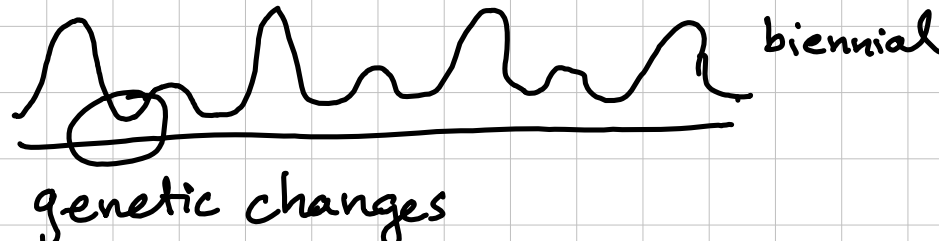
$$R_0 = \frac{N}{S^*} \quad \text{when disease is in equilibrium.}$$

( $R_{eff} = 1$ )

• endemic



- Stochastic fluctuations
- seasonal drivers



- genetic changes
- behavioural changes +

critical community size

$$\approx 250,000 - \text{measles}$$

Batrachochytrium dendrobatidis

Joyce Longcore  
saprophytes

thallus  $\rightarrow$  zoosporangia  
 $\rightarrow$  zoospores

Central America  
Australia

- SW US  $\rightarrow$  novel pathogen hypothesis  
tipping point hypothesis

'disease triangle' host-parasite-environment } RESISTANCE TOLERANCE

23 Jan — discussion, Vredenburg

- why doesn't pathogen evolve to not drive host extinct? George Williams ✓
- why noise/bounces in time series? environmental variation? (Fisher + Garner) 2020 ✓
- sexual reproduction ←
- why is epi theory 'stumped'? (DeCastro + Boker) ✓
- one-time treatment? ✓
- conservation? captive breeding? ✓

enzootic  
↑

endemic  
↑ [deme]

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parasites + host population dynamics

SIR model / epidemics:

"populations" : S, I, R -  
no demography?

- what if parasite affects host demography?
- how do parasites affect the interactions among host species?

Do parasites control host population size?

high transmission rate,  $\beta$   
INTERMEDIATE virulence?  
 $\frac{1}{\gamma}$   $\uparrow$  Short infectious period.

can parasites regulate a population?

↳ evolve towards commensality?

lab experiments:

H. polygyrus in mice  
90% reduction (!)

BIOCONTROL.

- European RABBITS - in Australia  
myxomatosis -  
calicivirus

Opuntia cactus

Cactoblastis moths

humans demography + parasites

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## historical epidemiology

"Black Death" -

14<sup>th</sup> c. European - bubonic plague

Yersinia pestis

- symptoms.

- ancient DNA - Poinar!

↳ ? Secondary infections.

- (1970s Colorado die-off - attributed bacterial outbreak)

↳ ? about the same genetically?

Plague of Athens. 430 - 429 BC

(25% of population)

measles? typhoid? plague?

'VIRGIN SOIL epidemics' -

invasion of the Americas.

pop of Mexico. 1518 ~ 20 million?

by 1568 ~ 3 million

genetics X

Crosby 1976

→ epidemiological inexperience

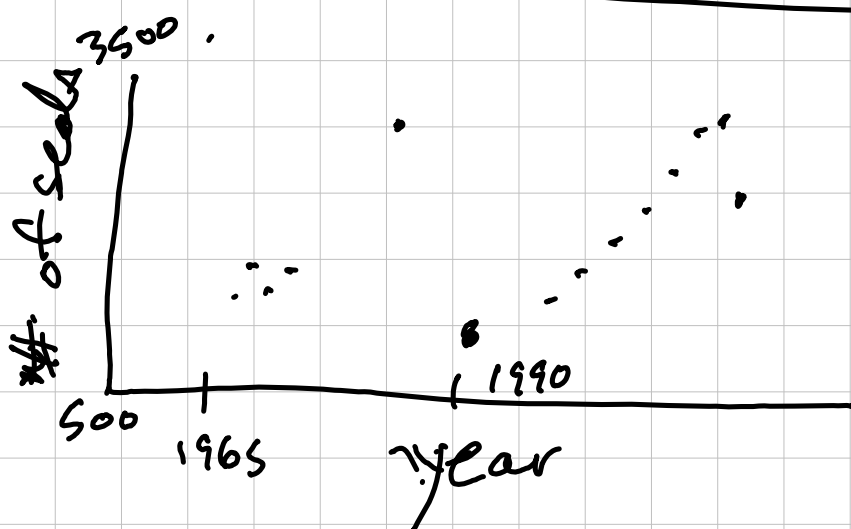
→ societal breakdown

Guns, Germs, + Steel . Jared Diamond

HIV - demographic impact

disease-induced population cycles.

cycles in host population density



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red grouse + Trichostrongylus  
tenuis

• herbivores • heather

• not many predators •

regular cycle (4-6 years in  
E, 7-10 in  
Scotland)

• behavioural changes?

• or host-parasite cycle?

→ individual grouse -  
survive better with  
anthelmintics.

→ higher fecundity

→ parasite densities  
also oscillate out of  
phase

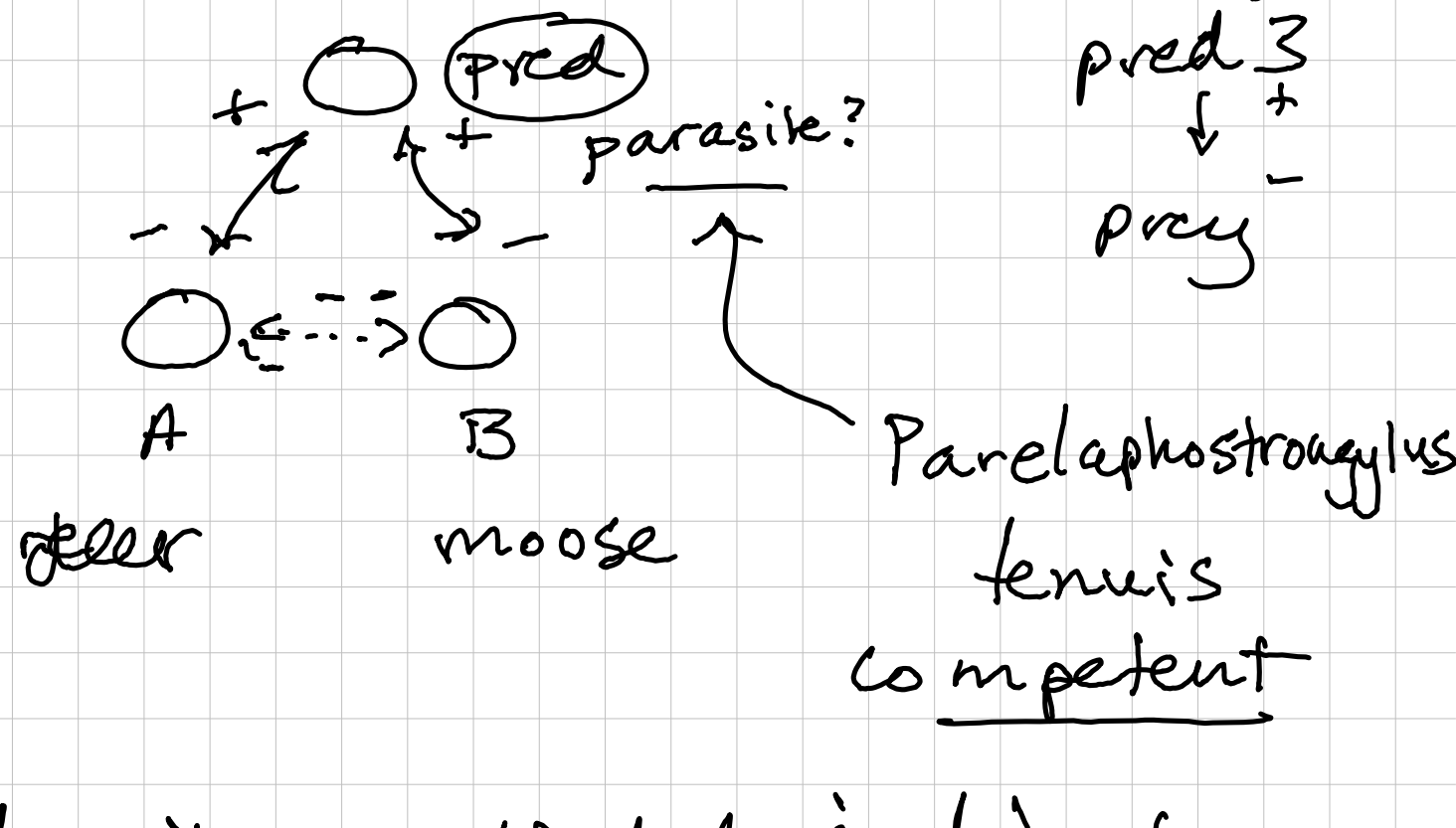
- general consistency of  
patterns with models.

colder weather → worm development

Parasites + host  
communities

trophic cascades •

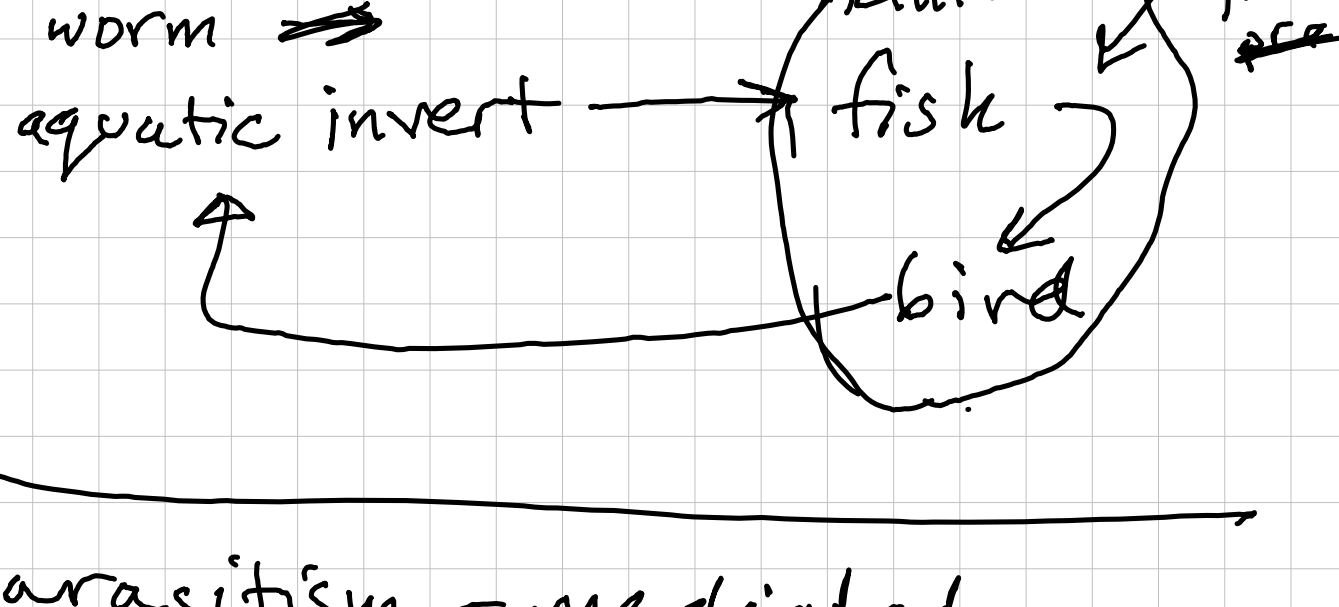
APPARENT competition



density-mediated indirect  
interactions

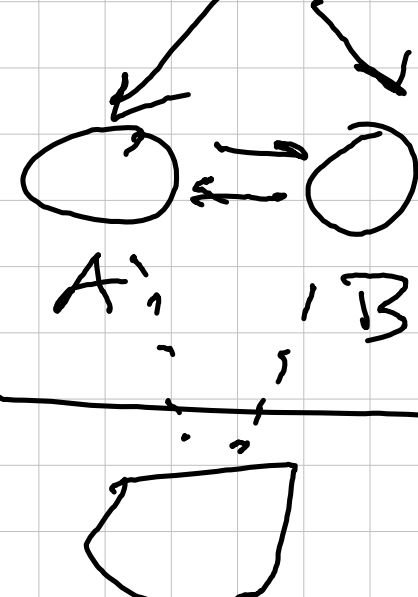
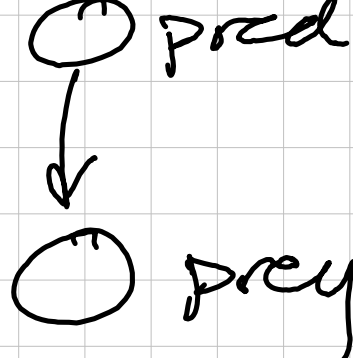
trait-mediated interactions

trophically transmitted  
parasites.



parasitism-mediated

parasite coexistence



experimental examples.

Drosophila melanogaster  
simulans

L. boulandi (parasitoid  
wasp)

$M > S$

parasitoid.  $M = S$

depends on temperature

Tribolium

prevention of hybridization

mouse subspecies

outbreeding  
depression

'breaks up  
coadapted gene complexes'

IMMUNE SYSTEM •

Parasite-mediated invasion •

• NATURAL ENEMY hypothesis

• humans •

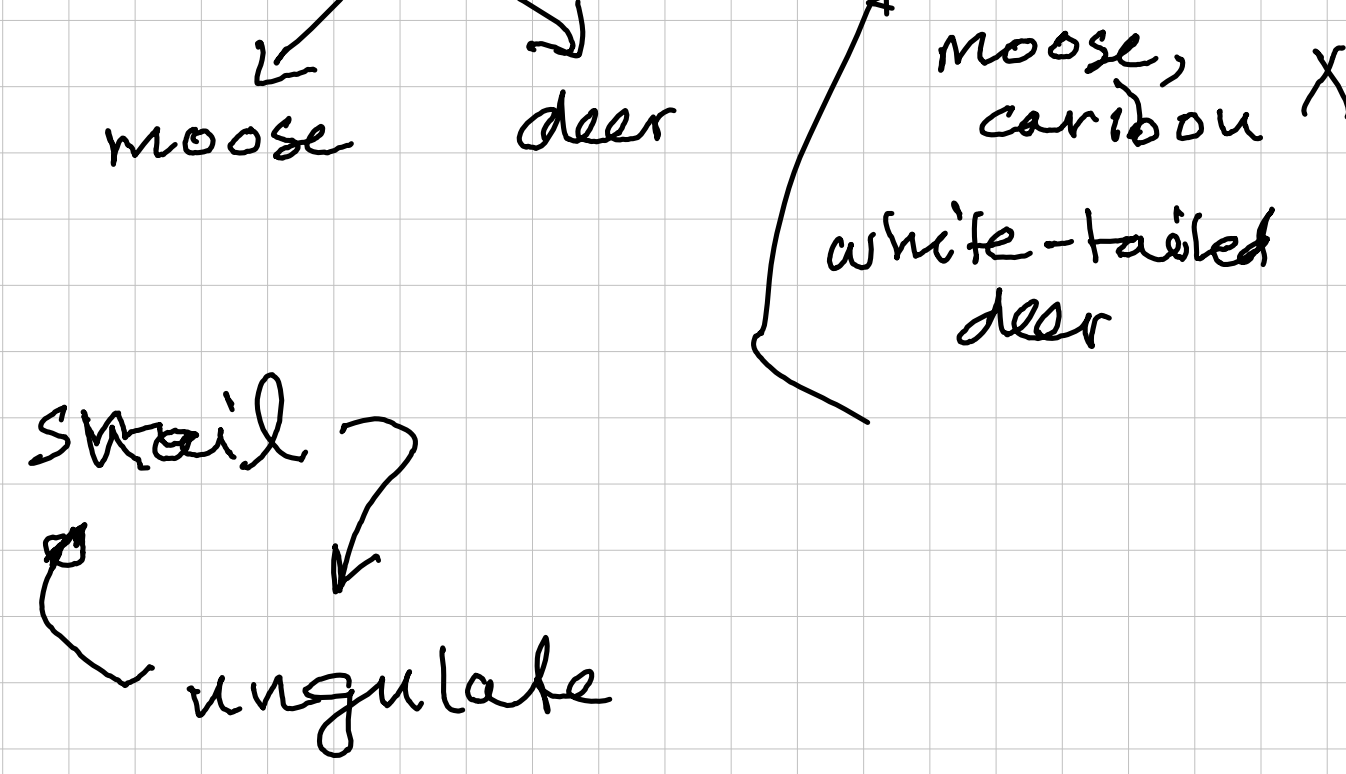
Europeans → New World.

Europeans → Africa

Acipenser stellatus (Caspian)

→ Ital.

Acipenser nudipectus



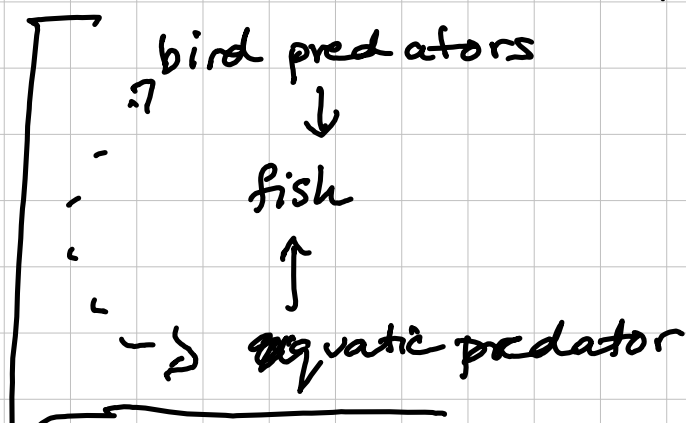
moose usually outcompete deer  
(no parasite)

• Kluane project •



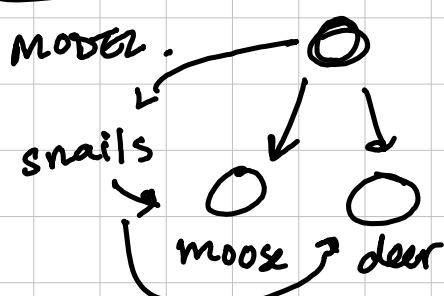
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trait-mediated indirect interaction



moose/deer / P. tenuis

- Pt kills moose, not deer
- life cycle
- moose typically outcompete deer
- deer now outcompeting moose

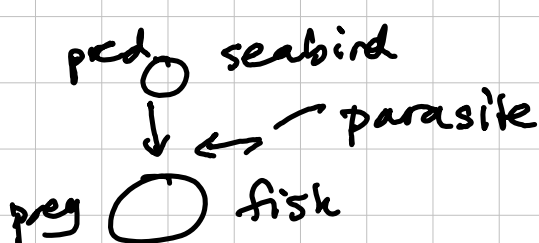


- ? • growth rate of snails
- comp interaction moose/deer
- death rate of moose from parasites

- avoid overconf.
- tells us what to measure

trophic cascades

- is the parasite indirect mutualist of the predator?

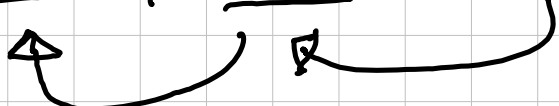


ecosystem ecology

nutrients, energy, environment

trophic pyramid

stoats / rodents / tree seeds



Exclosure experiment

toxoplasmosis?

ecosystem engineering

parasitized cockles

→ changes surface of environment

RINDERPEST

↓  
ungulate

↓  
brushy vegetation \*

↓  
tsetse flies

↓  
trypanosomes (sleeping sickness)

rinderpest

↓  
wildbeest

+

↖  
grass

+

↗  
fire

↑  
trees

↑  
rainfall

poaching

↓  
elephants

CARBON STORAGE

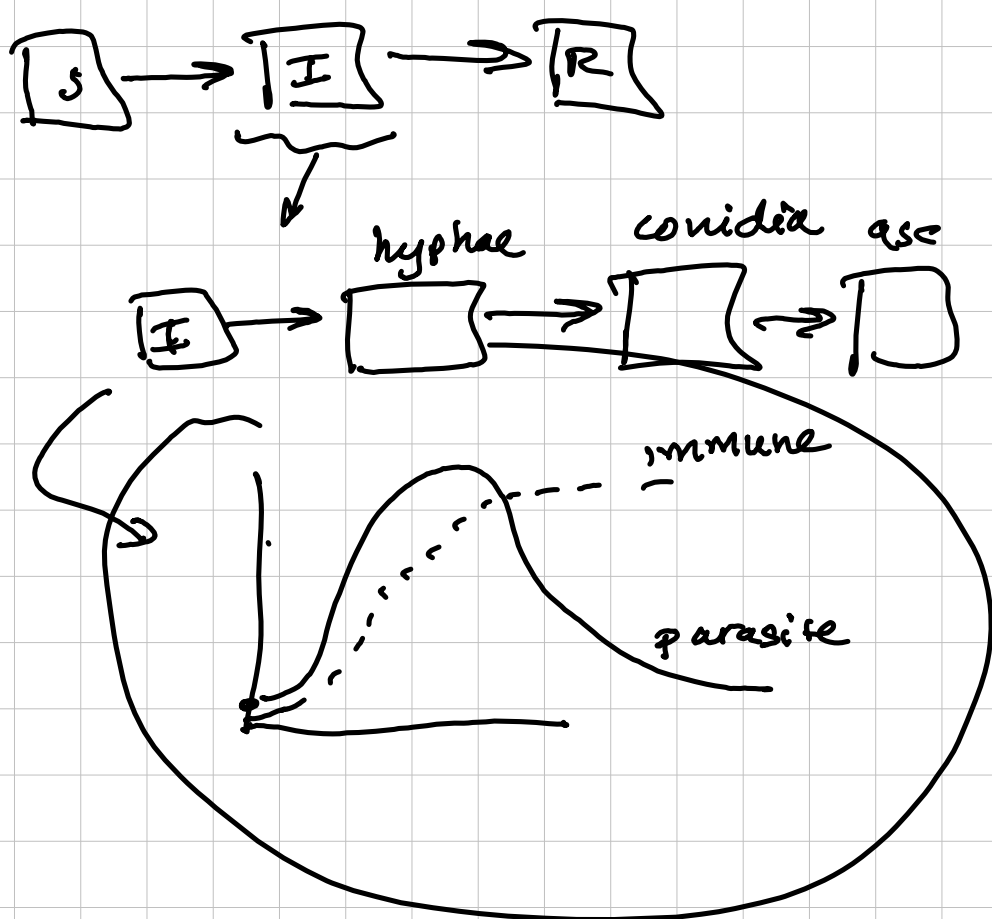
# BIO 4AE3 ~ discussion

- death at last time step?
- between vs within —  
NESTED

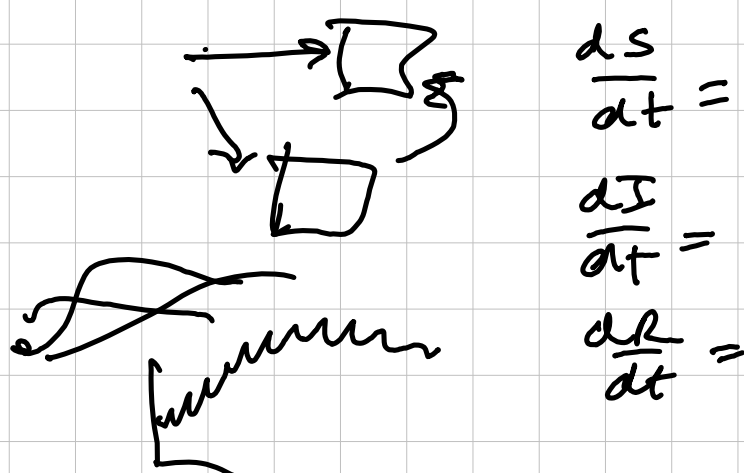
Q104. why does internal clearance get harder?

why is barrier resistance  
→ improved clearance?  
↓ budding

- applications to control?
- importance of variation
- why not...? / what if...?



## Gillespie algorithm



Gillespie:  
at time  $t$ ,  
we know the rates of  
all of the transitions.

$r_1$ :  $S \rightarrow I$ : 27.3 infections/day

$r_2$ :  $I \rightarrow R$ : 10.5 recoveries/day

how long until the next event happens?



~  $\text{Exp}(r_1 + r_2)$

Infection:

recovery:

$$\frac{r_1}{r_1 + r_2}$$

$$\frac{r_2}{r_1 + r_2}$$

$$\frac{r_1}{r_1 + r_2} > \frac{r_2}{r_1 + r_2}$$

1000 S, 10 I  $t=0$

999 S, 11 I  $t=0.639$

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within-host dynamics ~

- how does compatibility filter works?
- lot of mechanistic work -  
molecular genetics/  
immunology/  
biochemistry

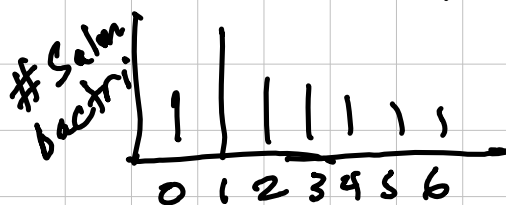
recognition + effector } → antibodies  
                                ↘  
                                antigen.

↳ macrophages —  
~~F cells~~  
NK cells  
CTL

## model interaction?

longitudinal data  $\sim$

cross-sectional data  
(distributional)

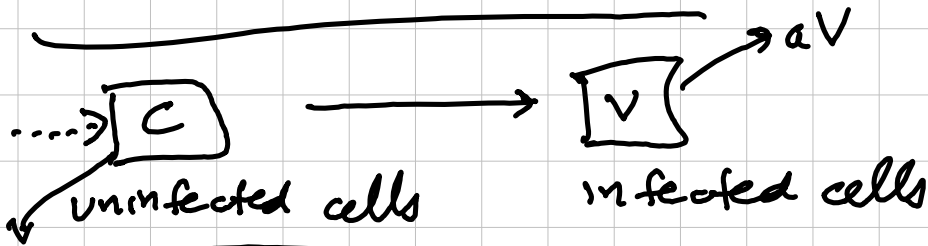


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- results are consistent with  $R_0$  dropping from  $\sim 50$  to JUST ABOVE 1 but never below 1...

$$\frac{dC}{dt} = \lambda - \mu C - \beta C V$$

$$\frac{dV}{dt} = \beta C V - a V$$

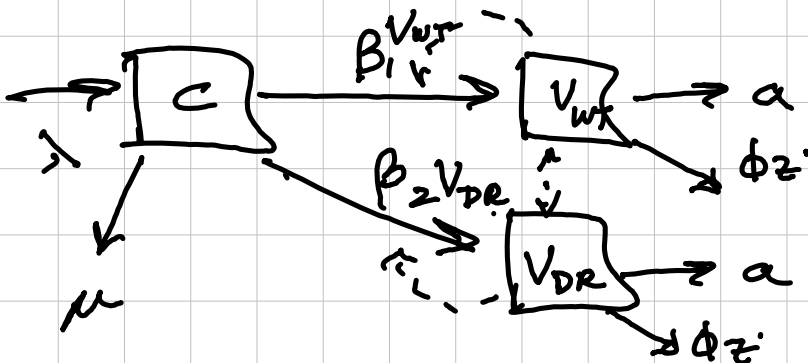


$$C^*, V^*$$

$$\frac{\beta \left( \frac{\lambda}{\mu} \right)}{a} \sim R_0$$

$$V^*$$

add mutation and back-mutation

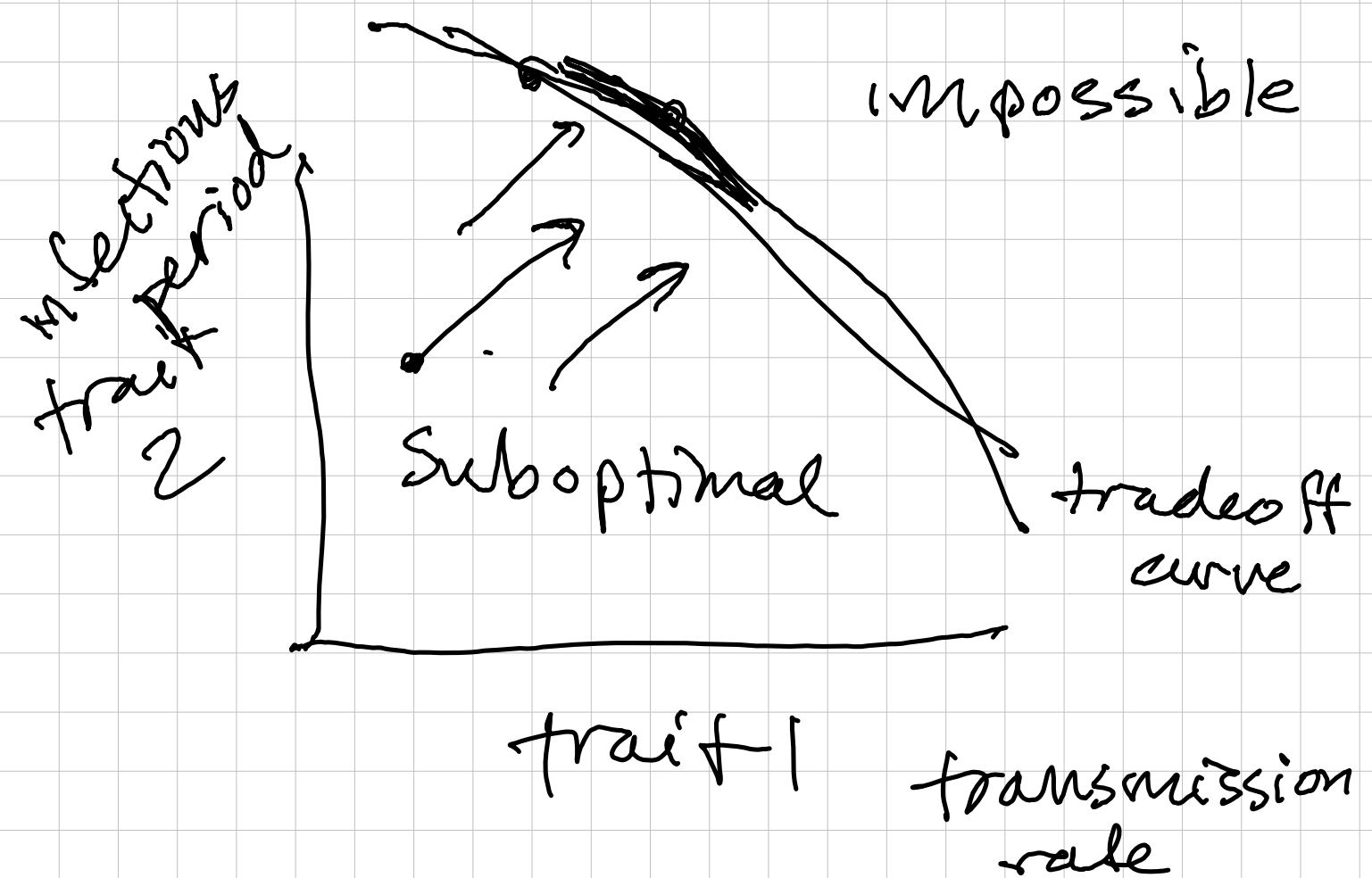


immune system |  $z$

$$\frac{dz}{dt} = kV - \gamma z$$

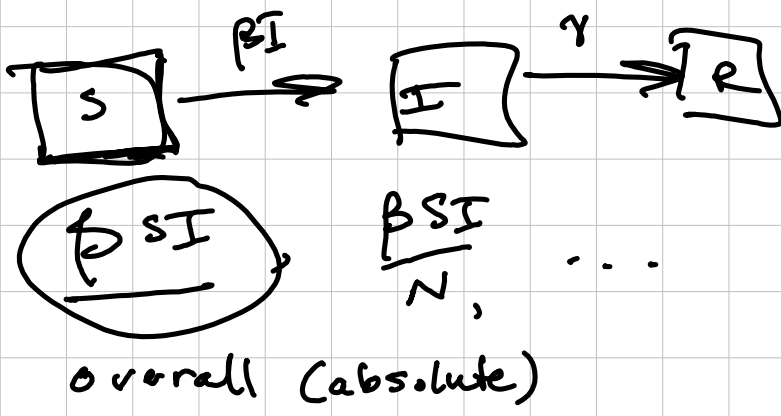
## DQs

- time shift
  - mixing
- progressive change (vir, inf, paras fecundity) → frontiers
- outliers
- 'missing' values
- host age vs population age
- influence of other predators etc.
- sex vs asex
- reintroduce older populations



~~each~~ brood parasitism  
cuckoos,  
brown-headed  
cowbirds

overall rate of infection

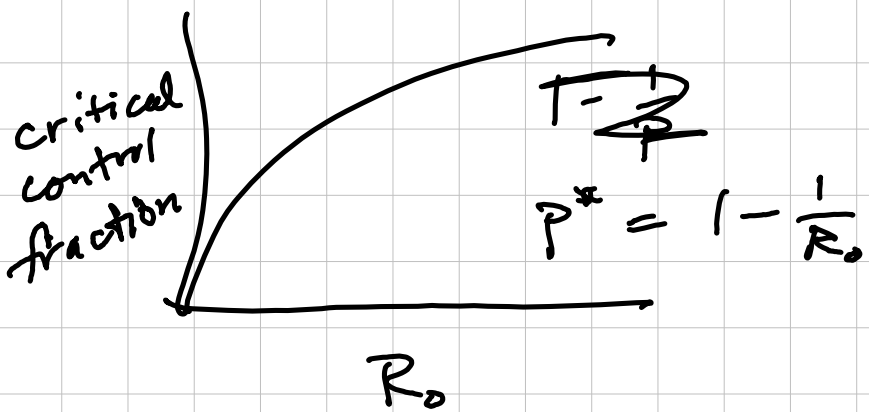
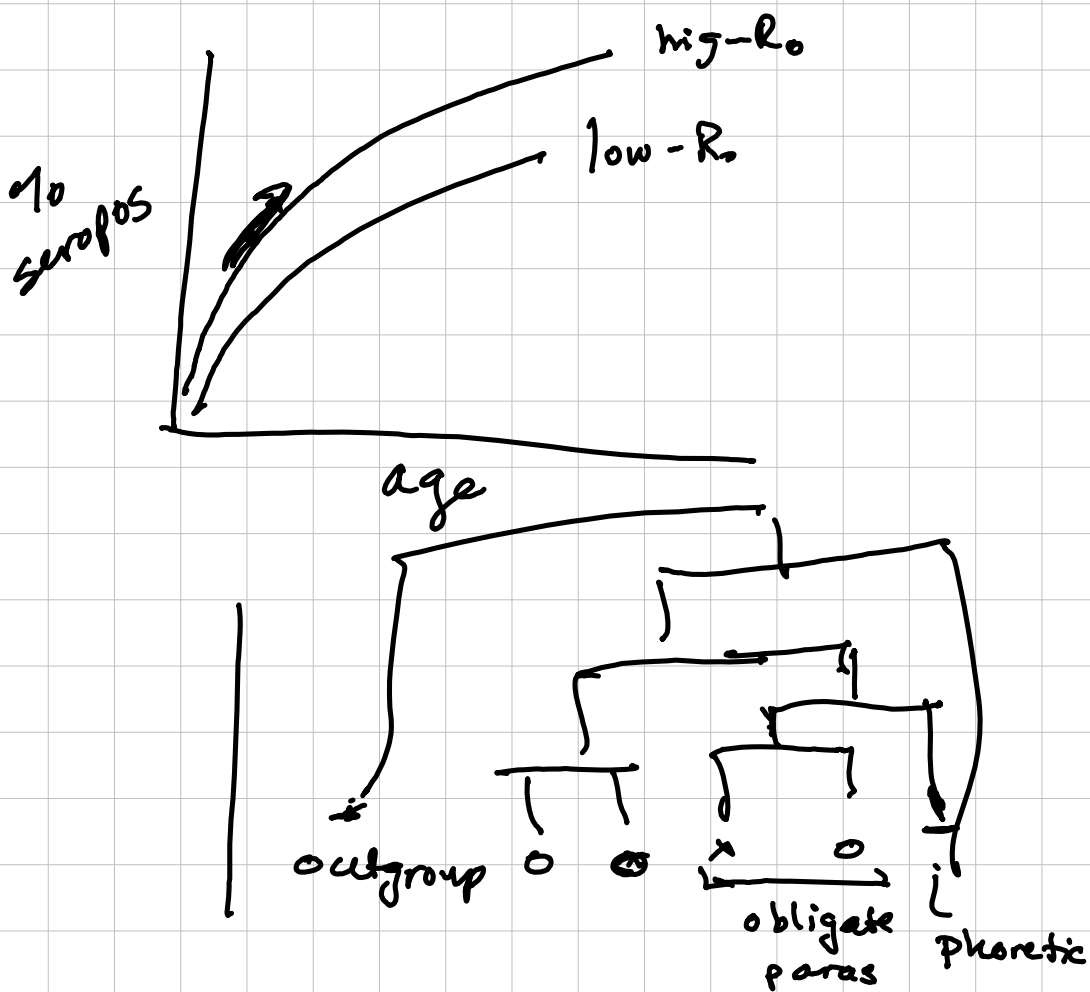


$\beta I$  per capita  
(per-S)

absolute rate of recovery:  $\gamma I$   
per capita:  $\gamma$

vs  $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{micro} \\ \text{macro} \end{array} \right\}$  intensity-independent  
intensity-dependent

micro: viruses, bacteria, fungi  
macro: nematodes, trematodes



chemicals —

may have off-target effects  
have to be reapplied  
resistance is likely to evolve.

biocontrol .

→ may be tailored to be  
host-specific

• persists in population  
(~~the~~ control pests to low  
levels)

→ may coevolve

~ (less predictable?)

# RED QUEEN

antagonistic coevolution  
between hosts and parasites

"RED QUEEN" vs

"ARMS RACE"

"TRENCH WARFARE"

recognition

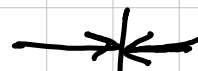
+ evasion

(self-nonself)

(specific antibodies)

+ effector

→ faster replication  
suppressing immune system



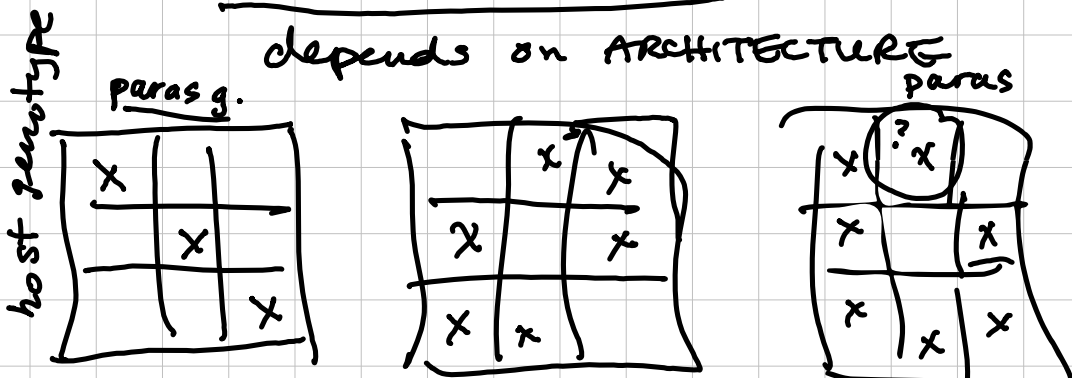
FREQUENCY-DEPENDENT selection

rare alleles have an advantage (parasite)

→ rare → common

~~Red~~ alleles involved in RQ dynamics tend to be polymorphic

depends on ARCHITECTURE



paras genotypes

BLANK = paras loses  
X = paras succeeds

gene-for-gene model

MATCHING ALLELES

self-nonself recognition system

- Does encourage cycling & local adaptation
- dilution effects.

hosts

parasites

A

B

a

b

C

B

b

C

D

d

biodiversity - ecosystem function

Does biodiversity lower levels of infectious disease?

(does it lower chances of zoonosis?)

DILUTION EFFECT

Lyme disease

host competence

plant breeders -

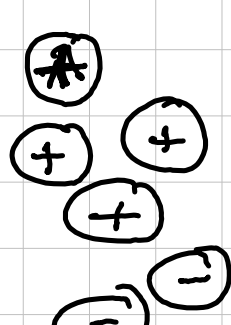
R (resistance) plants

Avr (avirulence) fungi

- 'trench warfare'

- Suppose a 'resistance allele' (parasite recognition allele) exists in a population.

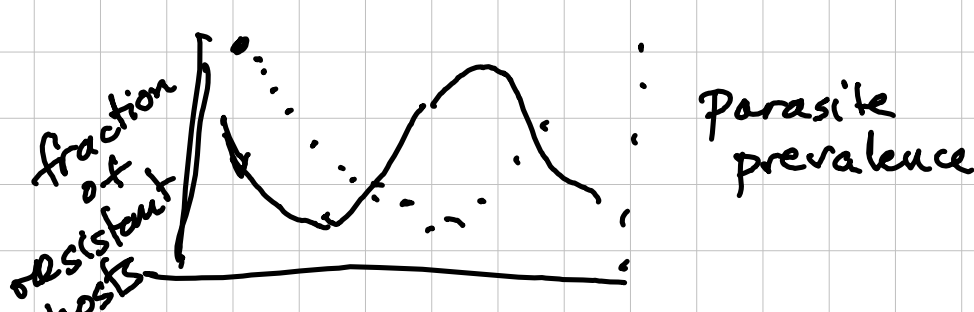
What happens to it over time?



- FITNESS of resistant hosts

- LARGER the more parasites are around.

- intrinsic cost



Stahl et al. Arabidopsis

→ resistance locus

→ coalescent methods to determine the age of resistance alleles

→ 7000 - 9000 yrs?

old, time-varying

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Interaction w/ Sexual reproduction  
in hosts?

- how much can we explain the evolution and maintenance of sexual reproduction by invoking RQ?

Darwin, Fisher (1930s), 1970s

→ COST of MALES  
of MEIOSIS

Population genetics -  
Parasite-related

'maintain genetic variation',  
eliminate deleterious alleles?

A B

a b

- A b a B

generating / maintaining  
variability in genotypes

⇒ recombination ←

gonochoric / dioecious  
(separate male + female)

variability  $\approx$  parasite  
resistance?

environmental changes

alternative hypotheses

- Muller's ratchet -

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10

- requires  
small populations

Kondrashov's ratchet

mutation purging

ECOLOGICAL (pot parasite-related)

hard habitat selection.

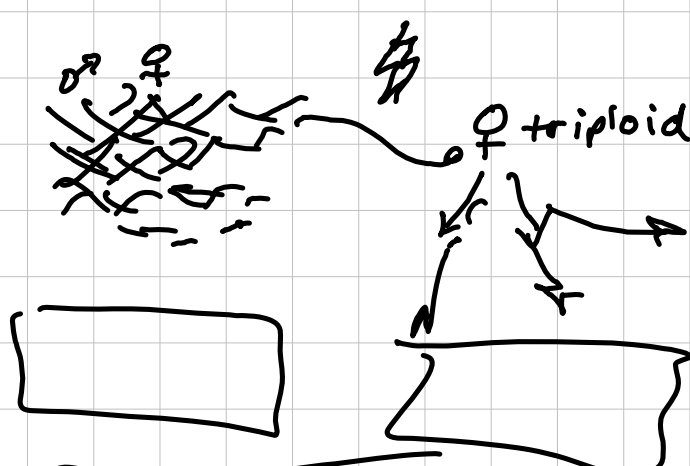
- if there are transient  
niches, genotypic variability  
is good.

- Soft 'tangled bank' -

- sexual lineages compete  
better because they can  
use more niches

?

SNAILS → asexual lineages



Curt Lively -

Potamopyrgus antipodarum

Microphallus. cestode

variability in hosts

variability in parasites



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hively + ... mud snails

- hard selection/lottery
- tangled bank
- reproductive assurance
- RED QUEEN

(freq males)

- ↳ more and less disturbed habitats
- correlations betw paras density + freq of sexuals

- time lagged parasite resistance
- space / allopatric vs sympatric resistance

↳ RQ is fairly well supported for formerly common clones.  
more susceptible to current parasites

→ time lagged host matching

RQ ? only works if parasite have strong effects on host fitness

- what about competition between sexuals and a diverse set of clones?
- why obligate sex?

PLURALIST approach

'all of the above' - interactions.

Muller's ratchet + RQ

VIRULENCE.

↳ decrease in host fitness due to infection

→ ? survival effects }  
RATE of parasite-induced mortality

- resistance } → encounter/compatibility
- tolerance } → ability to host parasite w/o losing fitness

'classical dogma'

1970s.

↳ "parasites evolve to become less virulent over time"

- Group selection?

↳ Syphilis - 1495

??

virulence decreased over 50 years

virgin soil epidemics. → previous exposure

- sampling bias.

tradeoff theory.

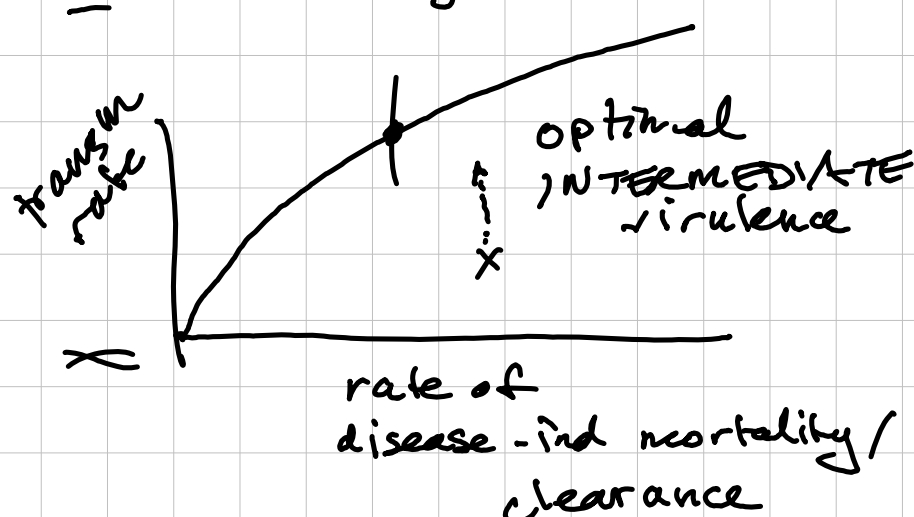
reprod rate of parasite

increases ability to spread between hosts

kills host faster + / (provokes immune response)

$$R_0 = \left( \text{how fast can you infect} \right) \times \left( \text{how long} \right)$$

IF diminishing returns



& cytokine storm.

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why not study tolerance?

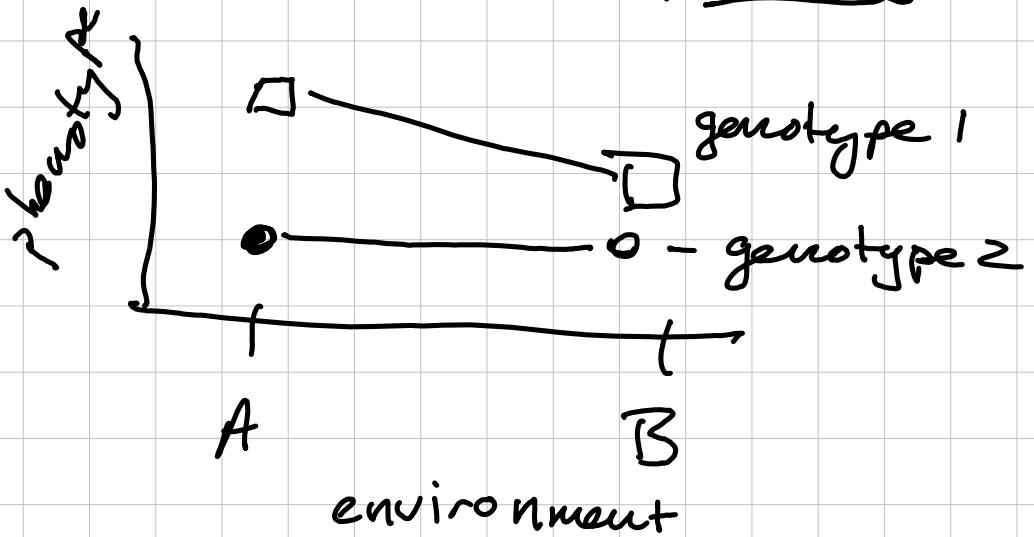
~~classes~~

behaviour as tolerance

~~reaction norms~~

evolvability

REACTION NORMS. plasticity.



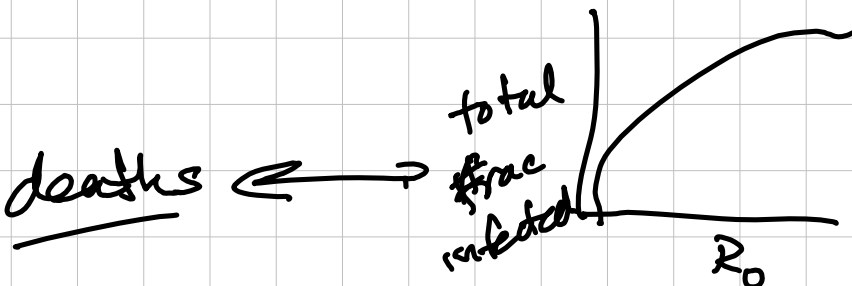
antipyretics

increased mixing

increasing transmission

(increased viral load.)

increased epidemic size



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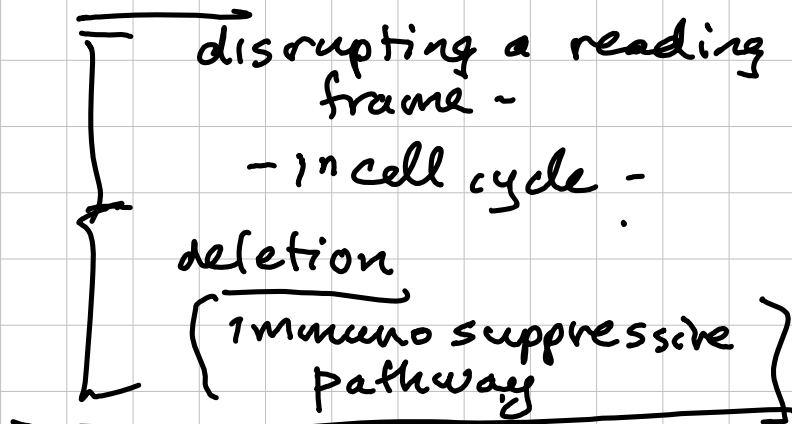
- myxomatosis
- HIV
- transient / eco-evolutionary dynamics

## MYXOMATOSIS

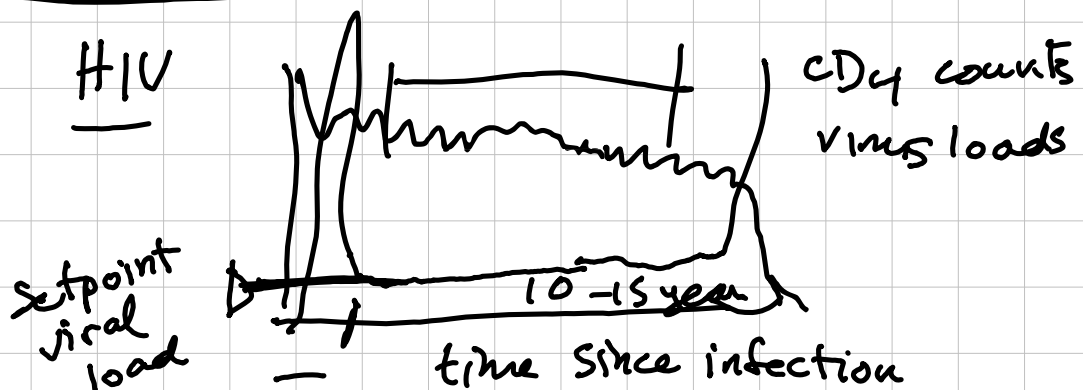
genetic / genomic analysis?

- virulence is decreasing  
b.c. cause of 'deleterious' mutations.

Insertion. -

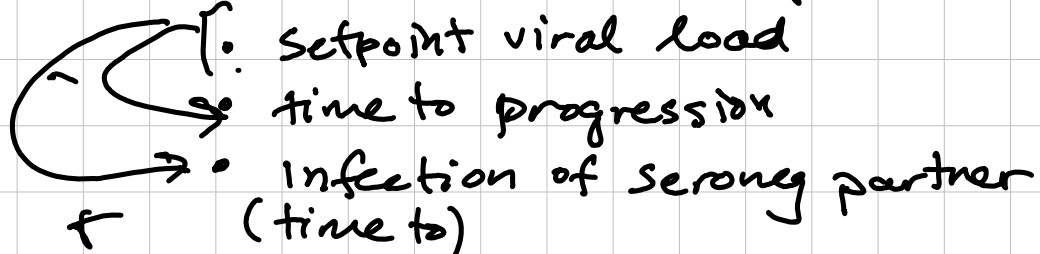


## Australia vs Britain



## RAKAI . cohort study

- SERO-DISCORDANT couples



## TRANSMISSION MODE

MAY, ANDERSON .  
EWALD

vertical  
transmission

STDs  
direct  
transmission

vector  
borne

neco  
transmission  
water  
borne

## Evolution of virulence (final)

## modes of transmission.

- Ewald - HTLV / Andersson & May

do high transmission rates encourage high virulence?

1918 flu.

antigenic drift  
shift

↙

ladder-like phylogeny



# SHIFT

$$\frac{H(N)}{H(5N)}$$

^ haemagglutinin  
neuraminidase

# EWALD

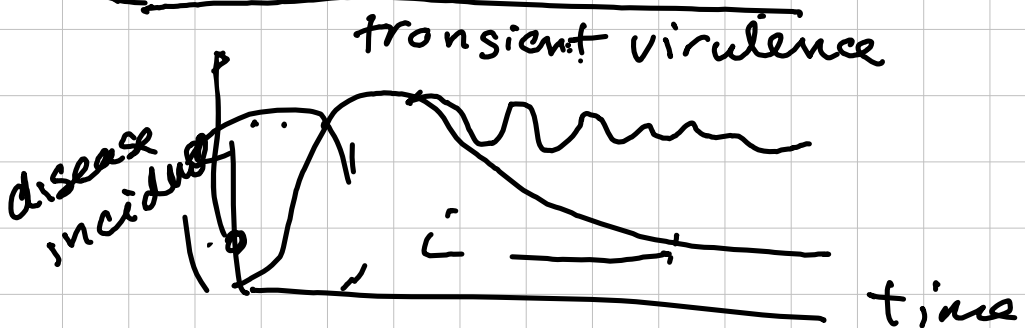
higher transmission rates  
→ select for higher virulence

ANY PERSON + MAY

→ selection should be indep. of transm rate

↳ are we optimizing

$\frac{\beta}{\gamma} \cdot R_0$  (lifetime fitness) or (end.)  
 $\beta - \gamma$   $r$  (growth rate/time) ? (epi.)



could public health interventions select for higher virulence?

mouse malaria -

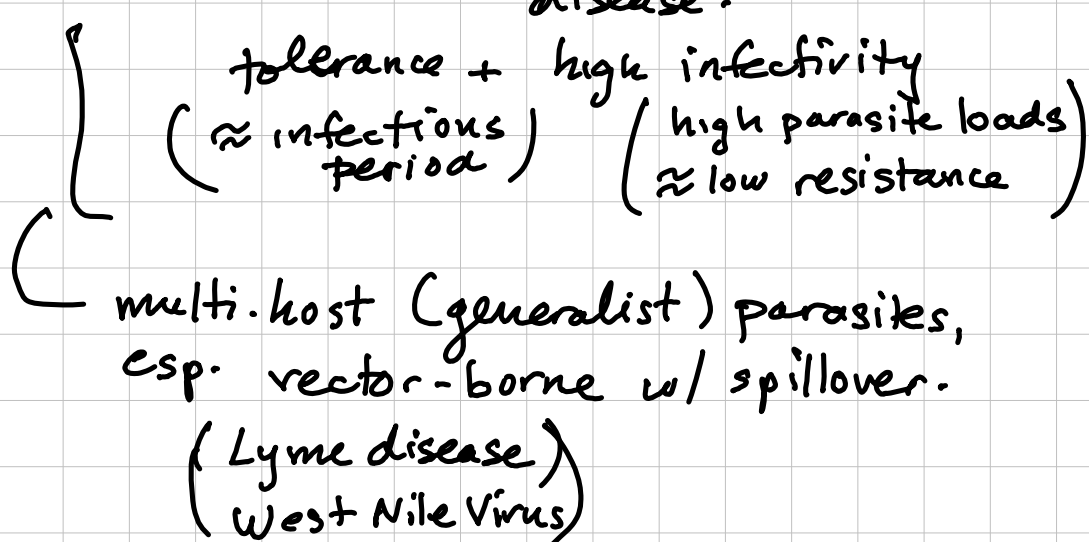
- ↳ anemia/weight loss
- ↳ gametocytes

## resistance + tolerance.

- resistance
- tolerance

## COMPETENCE.

ability of a particular host to pass on/amplify disease.



## MECHANISMS

- recognition (resistance)
- effectors (resistance)

## constitutive. (always on)

• innate immune system.

changes in cell surface proteins  
- matching alleles models

CCR5  $\Delta$ 32.

## parasite countermeasures.

- immune evasion.

PLASTIC.

malaria  $\sim 60$

trypanosomes  $\sim 100s$

(Schmid-Hempel 2009)

## immune suppression.

myxomatosis

measles

anthrax

## population-level consequences.

- tolerance helps itself

fitness of tolerance  $\propto$  ~~incidence~~ prevalence of inf.

tolerance increases prevalence of inf.

$\rightarrow$  tolerance ~~alleles~~ alleles to fix in pop.

- resistance.

fitness of resistance  $\propto$  preval of inf.

resistance decrease prevalence of inf.

$\rightarrow$  polymorphism.

? what maintains genetic variability?

- why haven't deleterious alleles gone away?

genetic drift  $\rightarrow$  pop size  
 $\rightarrow$  age of allele  
 $\rightarrow$  strength of sel.  
heterozygote advantage  
freq. dependence

~~AA~~ aa Aa AA

## Tay-Sachs disease.

lethal recessive.

abnormality in lipid.

$s = 1$

$1/300 \sim$  in US pop.

$\approx 1/30$  - Ashkenazi Jews,  
French Canadians  
Pennsylvania Dutch

speculation: overdominance  
for Tb resistance, intelligence