Evolution of emergence strategies

How organisms combine cues to make decisions

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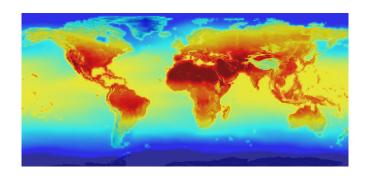


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Goals

- Provide base-line model for multiple-cue decisions
- Develop predictions for the use of phenological cues

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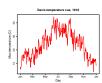
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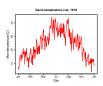
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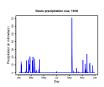
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- Lottery model reproduction: parents produce offspring proportional to resouces gathered, each offspring has equal chance of filling one of the N 'slots' for adults in the next generation

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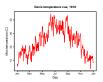


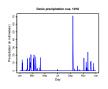
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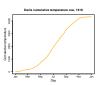




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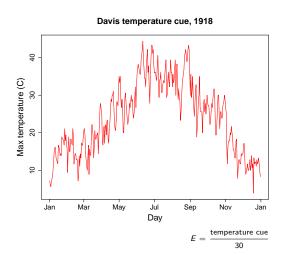
Emergence

Every day, organisms combine environmental cues and traits to get an 'E' value:

$$E = \frac{\text{photoperiod cue}}{\text{photoperiod trait}} + \frac{\text{temperature cue}}{\text{temperature trait}} + \dots$$

If E > 1, organism decides to emerge!

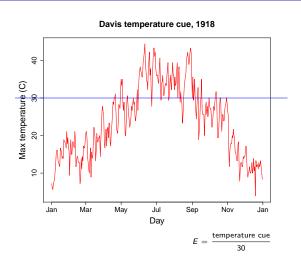
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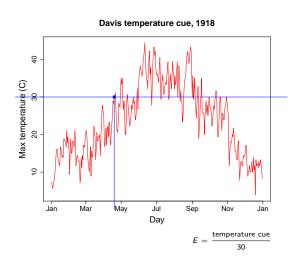


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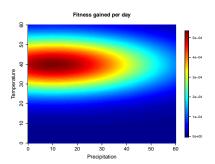
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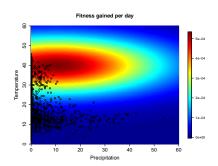
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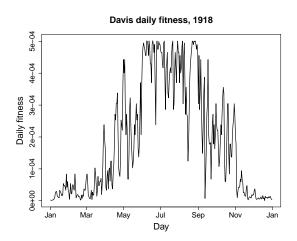
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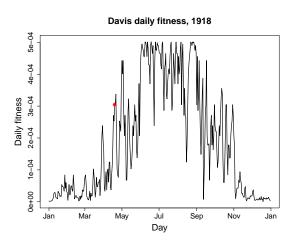
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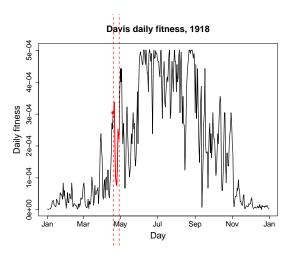


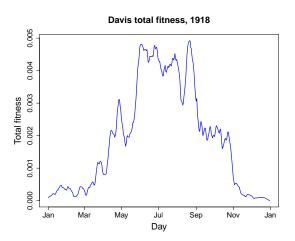
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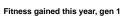


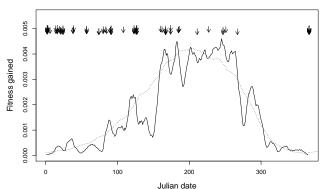
Reproduction: Lottery Model

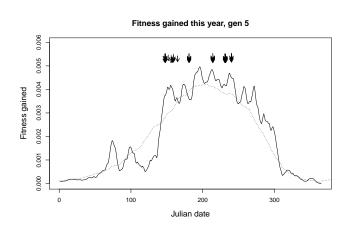
- Fixed population size for all generations
- Assign offspring randomly proportional to fitness
- Offspring traits = parent + mutation (asexual)

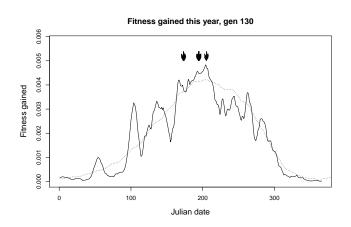
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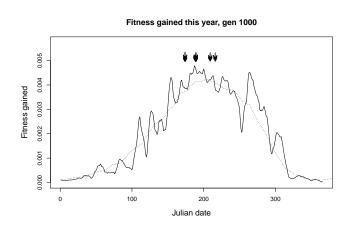


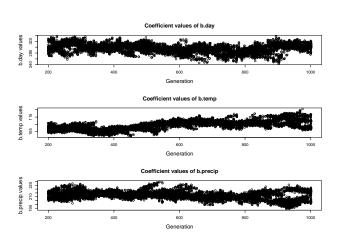


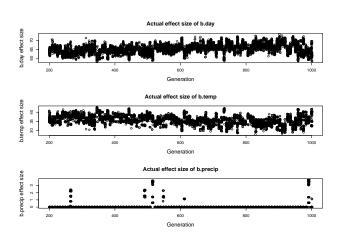












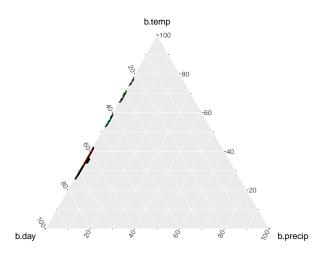
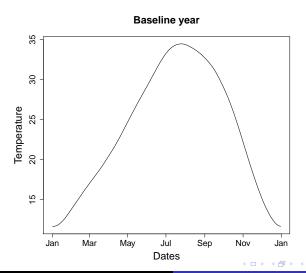


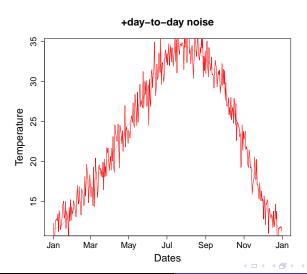
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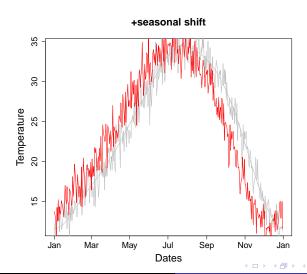
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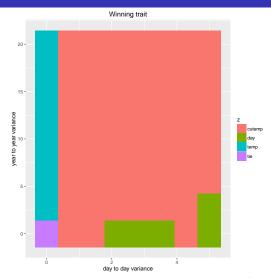
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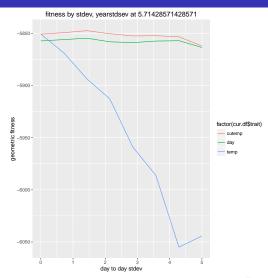
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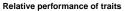
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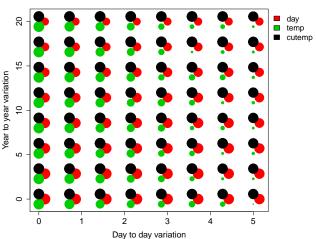


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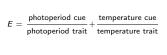
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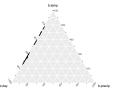
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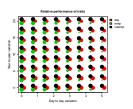
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Questions or suggestions?

