Language change: parameter exploration

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Following the example set in the lecture, simulate a population of variational learners, obtaining the evolution (=history) of the average value of p. Explore how variation in the following **model parameters** affects the population's evolution. Use the *Plots* package to visualize your findings.

- 1. N: population size, i.e. the number of agents
- 2. p: the initial value of p. Set this to the same value for each learner.
- 3. P1: probability of a string that only G_1 can parse. Set this to the same value for each learner
- 4. P2: probability of a string that only G_2 can parse. Set this to the same value for each learner
- 5. gamma: learning rate.

For the learning rate parameter, do both of the following:

- 1. First, set gamma to the same value for each learner.
- 2. In a second set of simulations, initialize your population so that each learner gets a randomly chosen gamma from the interval between 0 and 1.