

Results

The results of the analyses described above take one of two forms: direct inspection of posterior parameter estimates, and downstream estimates of diversity and diversification rates based on posterior predictive simulations.

Posterior parameter estimates

The model used here in this study appears to have approximately adequate fit to the data based on the results of the posterior predictive check (Fig. 1). Simulated datasets as estimated from the models' posterior appears similar in terms of average number of occurrences per species to the observed number of occurrences in the empirical mammal dataset.

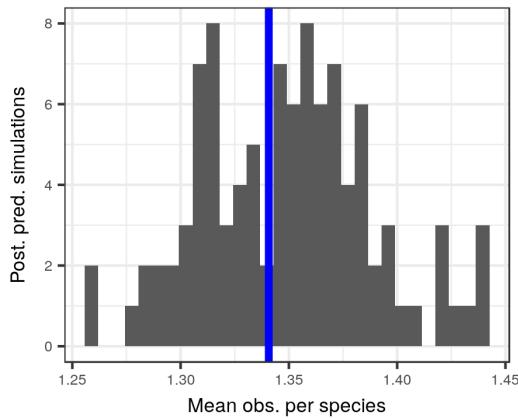


Figure 1: Comparison of the average observed number of occurrences per species (blue line) to the average number of occurrences from 100 posterior predictive datasets using the posterior estimates from the model used in this study. Adequate fit is indicated by the observed value of the test statistic being in the middle of the distribution of those calculated from the simulations.

Log-odds of observing a species given that it is present varies greatly with time (Fig. 2) with lowest log-odds of observation being during the Gerigian and Harrisonian land-mammal ages. It is important to note, however, that all land-mammal ages with log-odds of observation greater than 2 have very

high probabilities of observation, which means that while there may be large differences in log-odds of observation between land-mammal ages this may not translate to substantial difference in the probability of observation.

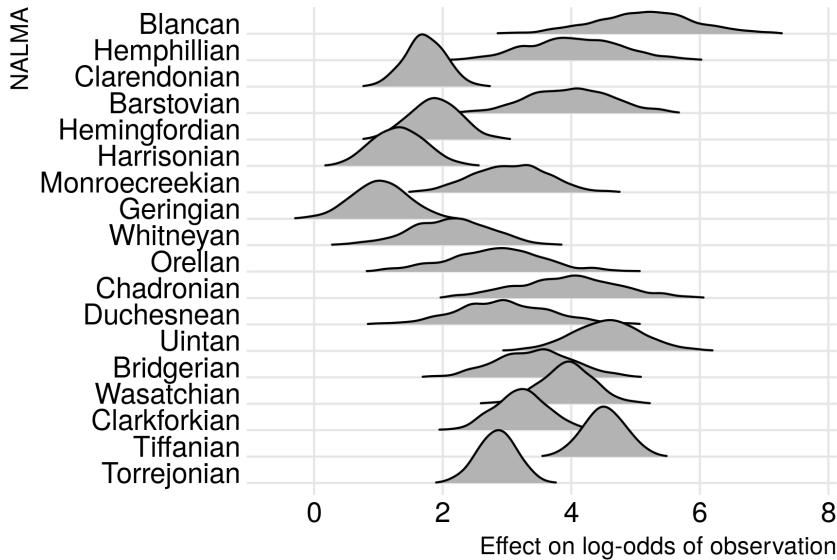


Figure 2: Ridgeline density plots of the estimates for the log-odds of observation from the time-varying intercept term. Each of the named time units are North American land-mammal ages. The oldest land-mammal age is at the bottom of the stack and the youngest is at the top.

There is little variance in the effect of functional group on the log-odds of observing a species that is present (Fig. 3). The only functional group with substantially less than expected log-odds of observation is scansorial insectivores, indicating that the fossil record of this group is the least complete of all the functional groups studied. Few functional groups have marginally better than expected log-odds of observation, the other insectivorous functional groups have marginally greater than average log-odds of observation; this is also the case for plantigrade omnivores. These results indicate that the observation histories of these functional groups are expected to be complete than most other functional groups. However, it is important to note that for many functional groups, their estimated log-odds of observation are poorly constrained with great uncertainty indicating little structure in how log-odds of observation varies between functional groups (Fig. 3).

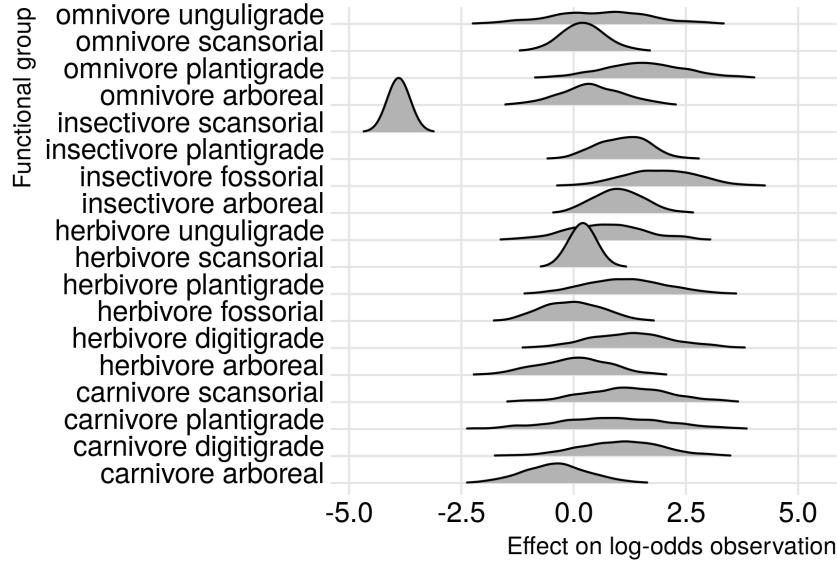


Figure 3: Ridgeline density plots of the estimates of the effect of functional group on log-odds of observation. Each of the rows correspond to a different functional group as indicated by the dietary and locomotor category combination.

Species mass is found to have a positive effect on probability of observing a species that is present (Fig. 4). This result indicates that species with greater than average mass are expected to have more complete observation histories than species with less than average mass. However, this estimate does not translate to substantial differences in the estimated probability of observation because observation probability is so high for most of the Cenozoic (Fig. 2). In fact, it is only when land-mammal age observation probability is low that the effect of mass is observable. It is important to remember the effect of mass on observation was considered constant over time and that all differences in observation probability between land-mammal ages is driven by variation over time. When log-odds of observation is high, differences due to covariate effects translate to very small differences in actual probability.

Origination probability varies greatly among functional groups with each functional group exhibiting a unique time series with a few shared features (Fig. 5). When origination probability is below 0.50 this means that few if any new species of that functional group are entering the species pool,

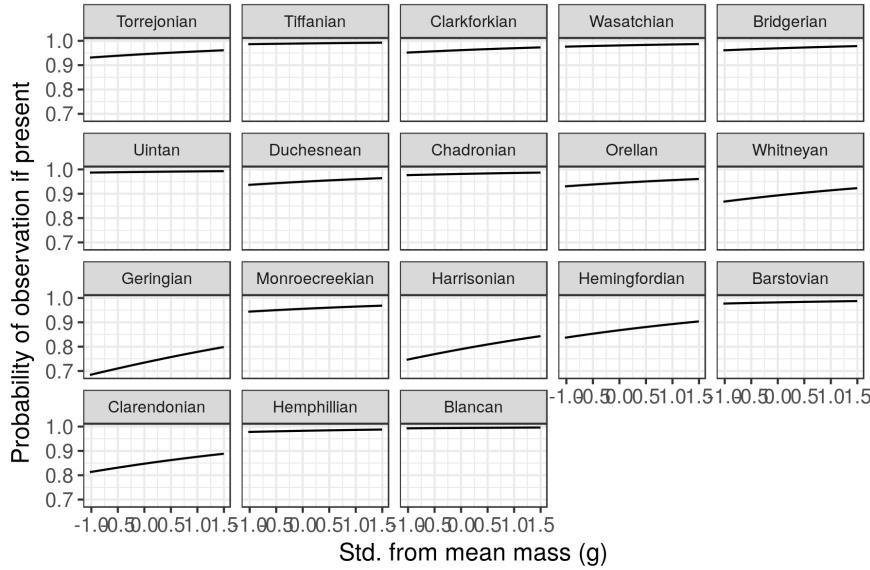


Figure 4: Estimates of the effect of species mass on probability of sampling a present species (p). Mass has been log-transformed, centered, and rescaled; this means that a mass of 0 corresponds to the mean of log-mass of all observed species and that mass is in standard deviation units. Probability of observation is presented for each of the NALMAs where the differences in mean probability of observation are due to variation between the time units (Fig. 2).

and when origination probability is greater than 0.50 new species of that functional group are probably entering the species pool. Finally, if origination probability is approximately 0.50, this indicates that it is equally likely that a new species is entering the species pool as that it is not. The slope of origination probability time-series is also very revealing; when the slope of the time series is positive then new species are being continually being added to the species pool, and when the slope is negative then the number of new species entering the pool is decreasing with time.

Most of the functional groups have peak origination probability at the present (Fig. 5); new species in these functional groups are continually being added to the species pool. In the case of some functional groups, such as digitigrade carnivores and fossorial herbivores, this is the culmination of those groups continued growth in the species pool. For other functional groups, such as

arboreal herbivores, this peak is a reversal from previously relatively low origination probability; this indicates an expansion of these functional groups following a retraction.

Five of the functional groups have peak origination probabilities not at the present: arboreal carnivores, arboreal insectivores, plantigrade insectivores, scansorial insectivores, and unguligrade omnivores. The arboreal functional groups reach peak origination probability in the Paleogene, after which their origination probabilities approach and remain at 0.50, reflecting the loss of these functional groups from the species pool as origination probability never again increases. Additionally, the uncertainty surrounding the estimates of origination probability is very large, especially in the Neogene. Large uncertainty in probabilities can reflect complete separation which results from that functional group leaving the species pool and its (lack of) occurrence is without ambiguity CITATION. The patterns evinced by the other functional groups have similar properties but reach peak origination probability early in the Neogene. Interestingly, origination probability of scansorial insectivores has effectively two peaks, once in the late Paleogene and again in the early Neogene. Additionally, as will be discussed later in the context of standing diversity, all five of these functional groups decrease in diversity through the Cenozoic.

Origination probability varies greatly amongst mammal orders (Fig. 6). These estimates reflect differences origination probability as well as the relative rarity of that order in the fossil record; if members of that order appear infrequently, they must have lower probability of origination. Orders with greater than average log-odds of origination include Multituberculata, Dinocerata, Didelphimorphia, Creodonta, Condylarthra, Cimolesta, and Acreodi. These orders are major components of the Paleogene fossil record. Orders with lower than average log-odds of origination include Rodentia, Pilosa, Lagomorpha, Eulipotyphyla, Cingulata, Carnivora, and Artiodactyla. These orders are characterized by small body size or primarily Neogene records. Additionally, the variance between orders is very large ranging from -3 to 3 log-odds of origination; this large of variance reflects how species within these orders have very different patterns of origination independent from their origination based on functional ecology (Fig. 5).

Species mass is estimated to have a negative relationship with origination probability (Fig. 7). This result means that species with greater than average

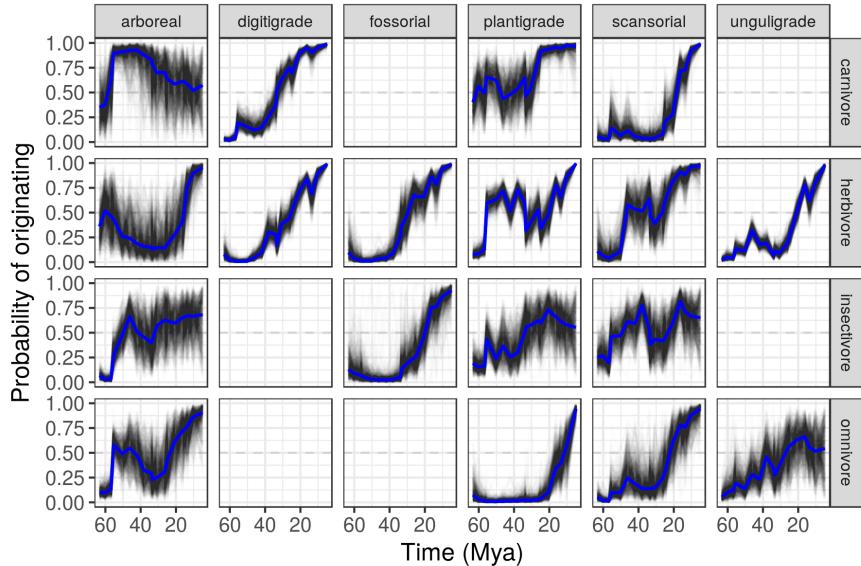


Figure 5: Probability of a mammal functional origination at each time point. Each panel depicts 100 time-series sampled from the model’s posterior. The blue line is the mean origination probability as predicted by the group-level predictors. The columns are by locomotor category and rows by dietary category; their intersections are the observed and analyzed ecotypes.

mass have a lower probability of originating than species with a below average mass. This result is sensible given the left-skewed distribution of mammal species body sizes where large body sizes form the right-hand tail. There are fewer large body-sized mammals which have originated than small body sized mammals. Interestingly, many of the orders with small body sizes (e.g. Rodentia, Lagomorpha) have below average probabilities of originating (Fig. 6); while not completely kosher, when this result is considered together with the effect of mass on origination these effects could be counteracting each other. These results continue to add to the understanding of the heterogeneity and nuance associated with species origination dynamics.

The group-level covariates are estimated with high probability (> 0.80) of being different from 0 (Fig. 8). These results mean that the environmental factors analyzed here are expected to shape changes in origination probability over time. Importantly, the plant phases and global temperature are estimated to affect many of the functional groups

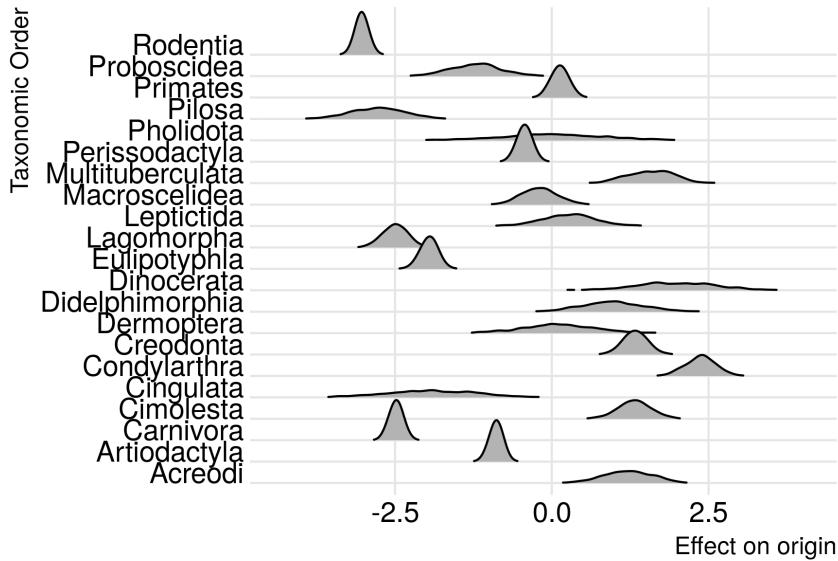


Figure 6: Differences in log-odds of origination based on mammal orders. Positive values correspond to greater log-odds origination than average, while negative values correspond to lower log-odds of origination than average. These estimates reflect the rarity of that order in the fossil record as well as differences in origination.

At least two of the three plant phases are associated with differences in origination probability for 14 of the 18 functional groups (> 0.85 probability; Table 1). The Paleocene-Eocene phase is found to be associated with differences in origination probability from the Miocene-Pleistocene for ten of the functional groups, all of which are expected to have lower origination probability than the latter (Table 1). The Eocene-Miocene phase is found to be associated with differences in origination probability from the Miocene-Pleistocene for nine of functional groups: eight with a greater origination probability than the latter, and one with a lower origination probability than the latter (Table 1). The Eocene-Miocene phase is expected to be associated with a greater origination probability than the Paleocene-Eocene for 13 of the functional groups (Table 1).

Temperature is estimated with > 0.85 probability to have an affect origination probability for ten of the 18 functional groups (Table 2). In all cases this relationship is estimated to be negative, meaning that an increase in tempera-

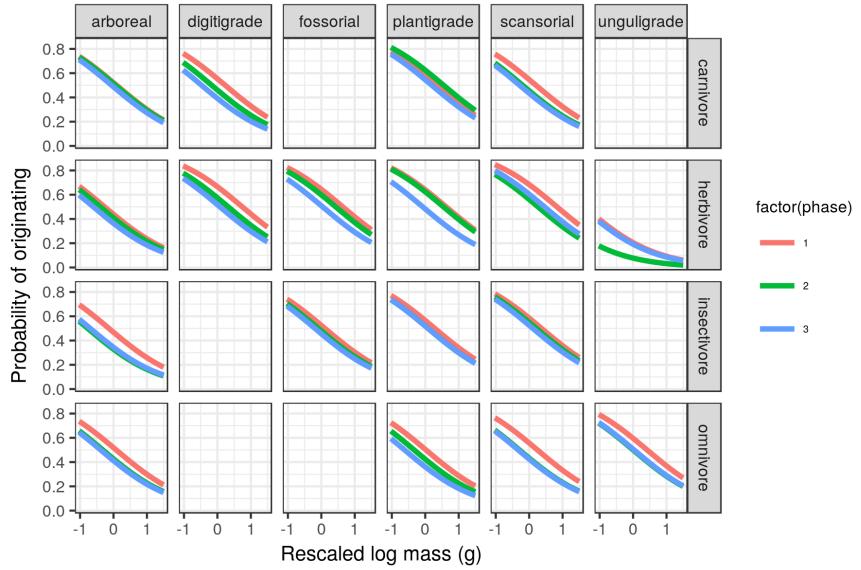


Figure 7: Mean estimate of the effect of species mass on the probability of a species originating for each of the three plant phases. The effect of mass is considered constant over time and that the only aspect of the model that changes with plant phase is the intercept of the relationship between mass and origination. The three plant phases are indicated by the color of the line. Mass has been log-transformed, centered, and rescaled; this means that a mass of 0 corresponds to the mean of log-mass of all observed species and that mass is in standard deviation units. For clarity, only the mean estimates of the effects of mass and plant phase are plotted.

ture is associated with a decrease in origination probability. Considering that, on average, temperature decreases through the Cenozoic CITATION, this implies that the origination probability of these ten functional groups may be tracking this long-term trend as opposed to the other functional groups which increases in origination probability independently of temperature.

None of the time-series of functional group origination probability are estimated to be either positively or negatively correlated (Fig. 9). This result indicates that functional groups have independent origination histories for the Cenozoic. This result does not preclude the possibility of short term similarities in expansion and decline of origination probability or shared peaks and troughs of origination probability. Additionally, if the relationship be-

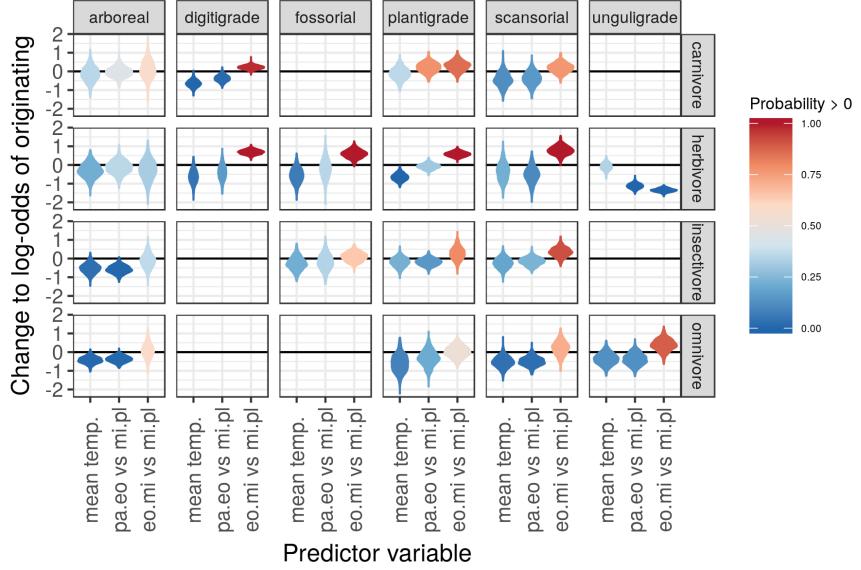


Figure 8: Estimated effects of the group-level covariates describing environmental context on log-odds of species origination. These estimates are from the birth-death model. What is plotted is a violin of the distribution of 1000 samples from the approximate posterior.

tween two functional groups changes over time (e.g. from positive correlation to negative correlation), then it woud yield no overall correlation for the Cenozoic. Finally, it is important to remember that this estimate correlation is based on origination probability and not origination rate or diversity.

The survival probability time-series vary greatly between each of the functional groups with each exhibiting unique patterns (Fig. 10). Interestingly, unlike origination probability (Fig. 5), survival probability is frequently estimated with considerable uncertainty. When survival probability is below 0.50 then a species that is present is unlikely to survive from one time unit to the next, while when survival probability is greater than 0.50 species can be expected to survive to the next time unit. Finally, when survival probability is approximately 0.50 then survival and extinction are equally likely. Overall, survival probability is rarely estimated to be greater than 0.50 with any certainty. This result is consistent with the average occurrence being <1.35 time unit per species which means that a plurality of species have only a single temporal occurrence (Fig. 1).

Table 1: Posterior probability of the differences in the log-odds of an ecotype originating based on plant phase.

	P(Eo.Mi > 0)	P(Pa.Eo > 0)	P(Eo.Mi > Pa.Eo)
arboreal carnivore	0.575	0.447	0.598
digitigrade carnivore	0.976	0.017	0.998
plantigrade carnivore	0.857	0.780	0.578
scansorial carnivore	0.768	0.154	0.889
arboreal herbivore	0.318	0.357	0.428
digitigrade herbivore	1.000	0.161	0.995
fossilorial herbivore	0.999	0.353	0.926
plantigrade herbivore	1.000	0.304	0.998
scansorial herbivore	0.999	0.108	0.998
unguligrade herbivore	0.000	0.000	0.100
arboreal insectivore	0.364	0.003	0.857
fossilorial insectivore	0.645	0.341	0.708
plantigrade insectivore	0.794	0.148	0.881
scansorial insectivore	0.916	0.235	0.940
arboreal omnivore	0.590	0.006	0.882
plantigrade omnivore	0.524	0.209	0.762
scansorial omnivore	0.713	0.027	0.938
unguligrade omnivore	0.888	0.127	0.960

The survival probability of many functional groups is frequently approximately 0.50, indicating extinction is frequently random with respect to functional group (Fig. 10). For example, the survival probability scansorial canirvores is approximately 0.50 for the entire time series which indicates that there is no best or worst time for this functional groups survival. Similar patterns can be observed for mean survival probability of arboreal omnivores, fossilorial insectivores, and plantigrade omnivores though all three of these groups have sudden drops in survival probability in approximately the last 10Mya.

Arboreal herbivores are the only functional group for which survival probability is approximately above 0.50 for the entire Cenozoic (Fig. 10). This result indicates that when an arboreal herbivore species is present it is expected to survive from one time unit to the next. However, it is important to note that arboreal herbivores are estimated to have an origination probability below 0.50 for most of the Cenozoic. Together, these results mean that arboreal

Table 2: Posterior probability that the effects of the two temperature covariates on the log-odds of an ecotype origination are greater than 0. What is estimated is the probability that these estimates are greater than 0; high or low probabilities indicate the “strength” of the covariate in that direction (positive and negative, respectively). These estimates are from the birth-death model.

	$P(\gamma_{temp\ mean} > 0)$
arboreal carnivore	0.355
digitigrade carnivore	0.001
plantigrade carnivore	0.358
scansorial carnivore	0.121
arboreal herbivore	0.219
digitigrade herbivore	0.045
fossilial herbivore	0.067
plantigrade herbivore	0.000
scansorial herbivore	0.221
unguligrade herbivore	0.339
arboreal insectivore	0.027
fossilial insectivore	0.219
plantigrade insectivore	0.224
scansorial insectivore	0.192
arboreal omnivore	0.009
plantigrade omnivore	0.087
scansorial omnivore	0.035
unguligrade omnivore	0.129

herbivore species are rare but are expected to survive from one time point to the next.

A common feature of multiple functional group’s survival probability time-series is a peak in survival during the Neogene (Fig. 10). In most cases, these peaks are estimated with little uncertainty which indicates how apparent this event is. Digitigrade carnivores, digitigrade herbivores, plantigrade herbivores, scansorial insectivores, unguligrade herbivores, and unguligrade omnivores all peak in survival probability at approximately 25Mya. This peak in survival means that species of these functional groups which are unlikely to go extinct at this point, potentially indicating favorable environmental conditions for

these groups at the Paleogene-Neogene transition. Additionally, this peak does not coincide with the movement from one plant phase to another (Table ??).

The effect of order on survival probability has much lower variance (Fig. 11) than the effect of order on origination probability (Fig. 6. Primates, Multituberculata, Eulipotyphla, Dermoptera, Creodonta, Condylarthra, Carnivora, and Artiodactyla are estimated to have a lower than average survival probability which implies that species of these orders are expected to be present for a single time unit. Of these orders, Primates and Multituberculata are expected to have the lowest survival probability of all orders. The orders expected to have greater than average survival probability are Rodentia, Lagomorpha, and Didelphimorphia.

Species mass is estimated to have no relationship or at best a weakly positive relationship with survival probability (Fig. 12). This result means that differences in mass do not lead to differences in species survival. This result is consistent with previous studies of North American species and genus survival dynamics CITATION SMITS TOMIYA, and implies that other ecological factors have greater importance on survival than mass alone. GET PROBABILITY ESTIMATE

In contrast to the origination probability, there is little evidence that the group-level covariates have large effects on functional group survival probabilities (Fig. 13). In fact, only the plant phases are associated with differences in survival probability and only for a relatively small number of functional groups. These results combined with those from the individual-level covariates (Fig. 10, 11, 12) imply that direct interactions (e.g. species-species) are potentially more important to long term species survival than ambient environment (e.g. temperature tolerance). However, because this estimate of temperature is global in nature, this interpretation is inherently speculative.

Functional group survival probability is rarely associated with differences between the three plant phases (Table 3) with only five pair-wise comparisons having greater than 89% probability of differences in survival between phases. Unuligrade herbivores have an approximately 89% probability of having lower survival probability during the Paleocene-Eocene than the Miocene-Pleistocene. For digitgrade herbivores, and unuligrade omnivores, the Eocene-Miocene phase have an approximately 90% probability of having greater survival probability than during the Miocene-Pleistocene phase. In

contrast, unguligrade herbivores are estimated to have lower survival probability in the Eocene-Miocene phase than the Miocene-Pleistocene phase. Finally, unguligrade herbivores have an approximately 99% probability of having a lower survival probability during the Paleocene-Eocene than the Eocene-Miocene.

As stated earlier, temperature is estimated to have no effect on functional group survival probability (Table 4). This is congruent with previous studies which found no association between extinction and global temperature CITATION ALROY or no consistent, unidirectional relationship between extinction and global temperature CITATION.

Table 3: Posterior probability of the differences in the log-odds of an ecotype surviving based on plant phase.

	P(Eo.Mi > 0)	P(Pa.Eo > 0)	P(Eo.Mi > Pa.Eo)
arboreal carnivore	0.297	0.560	0.328
digitigrade carnivore	0.786	0.367	0.743
plantigrade carnivore	0.411	0.744	0.273
scansorial carnivore	0.428	0.445	0.486
arboreal herbivore	0.256	0.768	0.174
digitigrade herbivore	1.000	0.400	0.942
fossilorial herbivore	0.696	0.563	0.565
plantigrade herbivore	0.659	0.508	0.596
scansorial herbivore	0.616	0.539	0.531
unguligrade herbivore	0.000	0.102	0.012
arboreal insectivore	0.289	0.483	0.368
fossilorial insectivore	0.532	0.420	0.592
plantigrade insectivore	0.499	0.361	0.605
scansorial insectivore	0.443	0.252	0.634
arboreal omnivore	0.651	0.597	0.591
plantigrade omnivore	0.417	0.549	0.393
scansorial omnivore	0.486	0.525	0.487
unguligrade omnivore	0.929	0.521	0.844

None of the time-series of functional group survival probability are estimated to be either positively or negatively correlated (Fig. 14); this mirrors the correlations in origination probability (Fig. 9). This result indicates that functional groups probably have independent survival histories for the Cenozoic. As with

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	$P(\gamma_{temp\ mean} > 0)$
arboreal carnivore	0.665
digitigrade carnivore	0.453
plantigrade carnivore	0.618
scansorial carnivore	0.380
arboreal herbivore	0.761
digitigrade herbivore	0.395
fossorial herbivore	0.429
plantigrade herbivore	0.279
scansorial herbivore	0.345
unguligrade herbivore	0.818
arboreal insectivore	0.489
fossorial insectivore	0.452
plantigrade insectivore	0.435
scansorial insectivore	0.384
arboreal omnivore	0.600
plantigrade omnivore	0.639
scansorial omnivore	0.512
unguligrade omnivore	0.396

origination probability, this result does not preclude the possibility of short term similarities in expansion and decline of origination probability or shared peaks and troughs of survival probability. Additionally, if the relationship between two functional groups changes over time (e.g. from positive correlation to negative correlation), then it would yield no overall correlation for the Cenozoic. Finally, it is important to remember that this estimate correlation is based on survival probability and not extinction rate or diversity.

Analysis of diversity

Standing diversity of the North American mammal species pool estimated from this model exhibits an initial increase in diversity followed by a slow decrease till approximately 30Mya, afterwhich there is a marked increase till approximately 15Mya after which it decreases slightly till it is equal to the overall mean diversity of the Cenozoic (Fig. 16). Per-unit standing diversisty is found to be different from average standing diversity for 12 of 18 time-units (> 85 probability; Table 5). Diversity is greater than average during the Tiffanian, Wasatchian, Hemingfordian, Barsotvian, and Clarendonian while diversity is lower than average during the Duchesnean, Chadronian, Orellan, Whitneyan, Geringian, Monroecreekian, and Harrisonian. The nadir of diversity is the Orellan while the apex is the Barstovian (Fig. 16). Interestingly, the rise in diversity among the sampled species from the Orellan to the Barstovian is unidirectional and is not estimated to have any temporary dips in diversification for that entire approximately 15 million year period.

Standing diversity when partitioned by ectype reveals a lot of the complexity behind the pattern of mammal diversity for the Cenozoic (Fig. 17). While each functional group has its own unique diversisty history, there are some broad similarities as is similar to the estimates origination and survival probability (Fig. 5, 10).

Arboreal ecotypes obtain peak diversity early in the Cenozoic and then decline for the rest of the time series, becoming increasingly rare or absent as diversity approaches the Recent (Fig. 17). Arboreal herbivores and omnivores obtain peak diversity at the beginning of the Cenozoic then go into decline while remaining a small part of the species pool, while arboreal carnivores and insectivores obtain peak diversity approximately 55 Mya and then quickly decline and become extremely rare or entirely absent from the species pool. The only arboreal functional group estimated to not experience a complete disappearance from the species pool are arboreal herbivores. This is consistent with increasing extinction risk in the Neogene compared to the Paleogene as proposed by [?].

The diversity of plantigrade insectivores, scansorial insectivores, and scansorial omnivores are estimated to decrease through the Cenozoic (Fig. 17). Plantigrade herbivores and scansorial omnivores have peak diversity at the early Cenozoic and reach low diversity by 30Mya, after which diversity never

Table 5: Posterior probabilities of diversity N_t^{stand} greater than average standing diversity \bar{N}^{stand} for the whole Cenozoic. The NALMA column corresponds to North American Land Mammal age for that estimate.

NALMA	$P(N_t^{\text{stand}} > \bar{N}^{\text{stand}})$
Torrejonian	0.79
Tiffanian	0.95
Clarkforkian	0.50
Wasatchian	1.00
Bridgerian	0.69
Uintan	0.75
Duchesnean	0.00
Chadronian	0.01
Orellan	0.00
Whitneyan	0.00
Geringian	0.00
Monroecreekian	0.01
Harrisonian	0.11
Hemingfordian	0.96
Barstovian	1.00
Clarendonian	0.93
Hemphillian	0.63
Blancan	0.73

increases again. In contrast, scansorial omnivores have nearly constant, above average diversity for the beginning of the Cenozoic till approximately 30Mya, after which diversity drops and remaining below average diversity for the rest of the Cenozoic.

The fossorial functional groups included in this study are estimated to be rare or absent absent for the first half of the Cenozoic, fossorial herbivores probably having lower diversity than fossorial insectivores (Fig. 17). After fossorial herbivores increase in diversity approximately 30Mya, this functional group is estimated to quickly reach approximately constant standing diversity for the rest of the Cenozoic. In contrast, fossorial insectivores increase in diversity starting approximately 30Mya and reach max diversity approximately 15Mya, after which this group declines in diversity.

Plantigrade carnivores, scansorial herbivores and unguligrade omnivores are estimated to maintain near constant standing diversity for most of the Cenozoic (Fig. 17). Of these three functional groups, plantigrade carnivores have the greatest variance in standing diversity. Plantigrade carnivores have greater than average standing diversity from the beginning of the Cenozoic till 50Mya and from approximately 25Mya till approximately 15Mya. This functional group is estimated to be below average standing diversity from 50Mya to 30Mya, and then from 10Mya till the end of the studied time period. Scansorial herbivores exhibit a similar patterns but with a reversed diversity pattern for the first 30My of the studied period. Instead of near constant diversity, scansorial herbivores are estimated to have lower than average diversity from the beginning of the Cenozoic till approximately 50Mya, after which this group has approximately average standing diversity for the rest of the Cenozoic. The unguligrade omnivore functional group has slightly elevated diversity at the beginning of the Cenozoic and a possible decrease in diversity approximately 15Mya.

Scansorial carnivores and plantigrade herbivores have below average standing diversity from the beginning of the Cenozoic till approximately 20Mya, after which both functional groups increase in diversity till being well above average by the end of the study period (Fig. 17). Plantigrade omnivores are estimated to be absent or extremely rare in the species pool, only increasing in standing diversity beginning approximately 25Mya. In contrast, scansorial carnivores are estimated to have been a rare but constant part of the species pool diversity for the entire Cenozoic with an increase in standing diversity starting approximately 25Mya.

Digitigrade carnivores, plantigrade herbivores, and unguligrade herbivores functional groups maintain relatively high standing diversity through out the entire Cenozoic though each exhibits periods of greater than average and below average standing diversity (Fig. 17). Digitigrade carnivore diversity is estimated to begin the study period below average and then quickly rise to the first peak in diversity at approximately 55Mya. After this, ditigrade carnivore diversity decreases to below average diversity till approximately 35Mya, after which diversity increases till a second greater peak in diversity approximately 15Mya. After this second peak in diversity, ditigrade carnivore diversity declines until the end of the study period. Unguligrade herbivores exhibit a similar pattern though with considerably less uncertainty. In contrast, while plantigrade herbivores have a similar increase and peak in diversity during the

first half of the Cenozoic, the functional group does not experience a second peak in functional diversity till the end of the study period. Additionally, plantigrade herbivores have a longer period of above average standing diversity during the first half of the Cenozoic, only experiencing a marked decrease in diversity starting approximately 35Mya.

The digitigrade herbivore functional group is estimated to be the only group with a near constant increase in standing diversity through most of the Cenozoic (Fig. 17). There are two periods of decrease in the standing diversity of digitigrade herbivores: the first approximately 10My of the study period, and a sudden decrease at 15Mya. Beyond these two decreases, this functional group exhibits a remarkable increase in diversity from relative rarity approximately 50-55My till peak diversity 15-20Mya. Diversity even appears to begin to rebound after the sudden decrease approximately 15Mya.

The waxing and waning of the mammal ecotypes is obvious when comparing changes to estimated relative log-mean of diversity (Fig. 18). While ecotype diversity does appear to change gradually, there are definite changes to the relative contributions of the ecotypes to the regional species pool. All arboreal ecotypes clearly decrease in relative diversity over the Cenozoic. In contrast the digitigrade herbivore, fossorial herbivore, scansorial herbivore, and unguligrade herbivore ecotypes which increase in relative diversity over the Cenozoic. The digitigrade carnivore ecotype increases in relative diversity until approximately the start of the Neogene, after which it maintains a generally constant relative diversity; this is consistent with previous observations of constant or density-dependent diversity of the canid guild for the Neogene [? ? ?], a guild that overlaps with the digitigrade carnivore ecotype. Plantigrade herbivores remain a constant relative contribution to ecotypic diversity. These results support the hypothesis of a gradual transition from the early Paleogene with a region with more available habitat for arboreal taxa and less available habitat for many digitigrade and unguligrade taxa, to an environment where arboreal taxa are absent from the species pool and digitigrade and unguligrade taxa are much more dominant (Fig. 18). It is the relative contributions of digitigrade carnivores, digitigrade herbivores, and unguligrade herbivores which really shape the regional species pool of the Neogene.

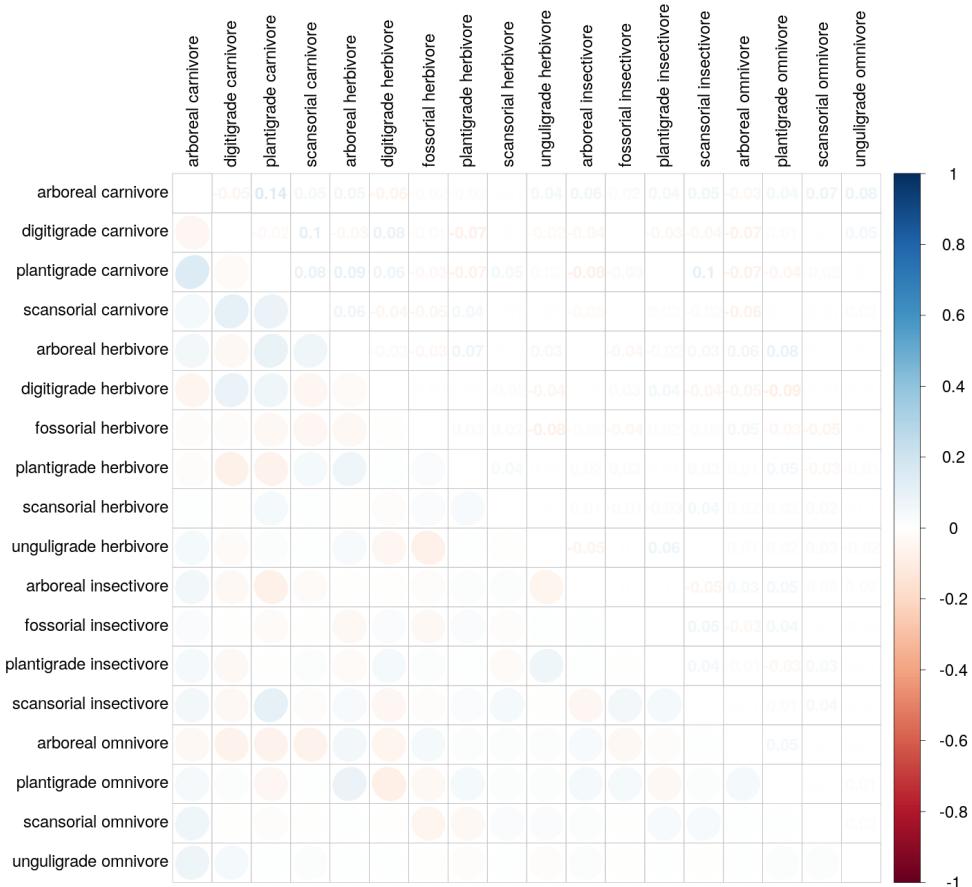


Figure 9: Posterior mean estimates of the correlations in origination probability between the mammal ecotypes. The lower triangle of the matrix is populated with ellipses corresponding to the level of correlation between the two ecotypes, while the upper triangle of the matrix corresponds to the mean estimated correlation between ecotypes. Darker values correspond to a greater magnitude of correlation with blue values corresponding to a positive correlation and red values a negative correlation.

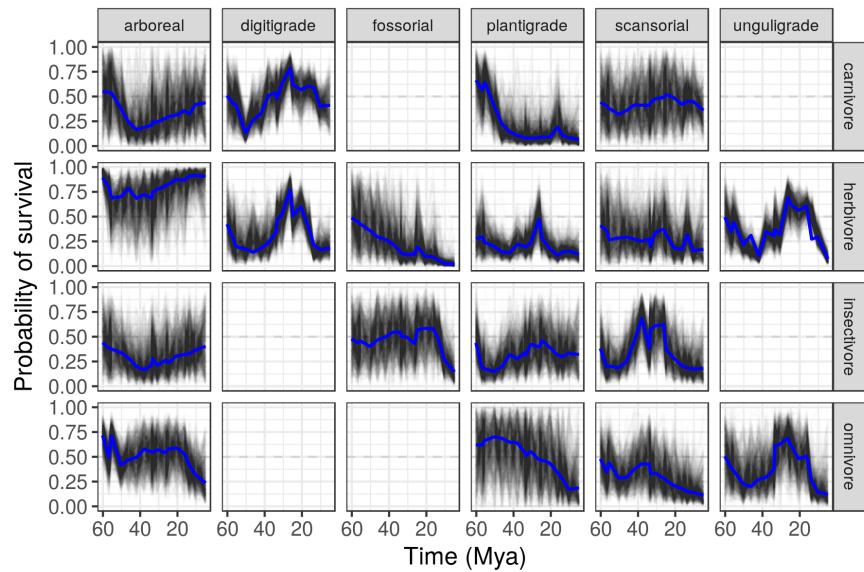


Figure 10: Probability of a mammal ecotype survival probabilities at each time point as estimated from the birth-death model. Each panel depicts 100 random samples from the model's posterior. The columns are by locomotor category and rows by dietary category; their intersections are the observed and analyzed ecotypes. Panels with no lines are ecotypes not observed in the dataset.

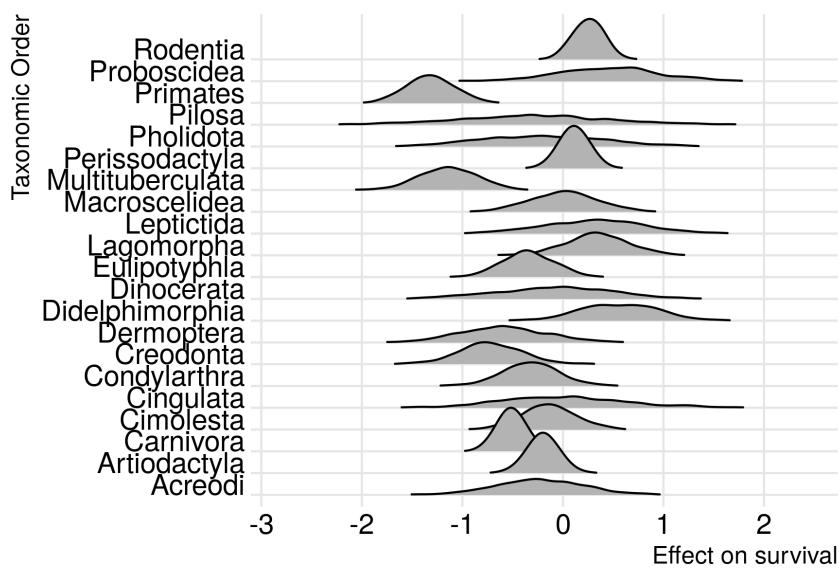


Figure 11: Differences in log-odds of survival based on mammal orders. Positive values correspond to greater log-odds of survival than average, while negative values correspond to lower log-odds of survival than average.

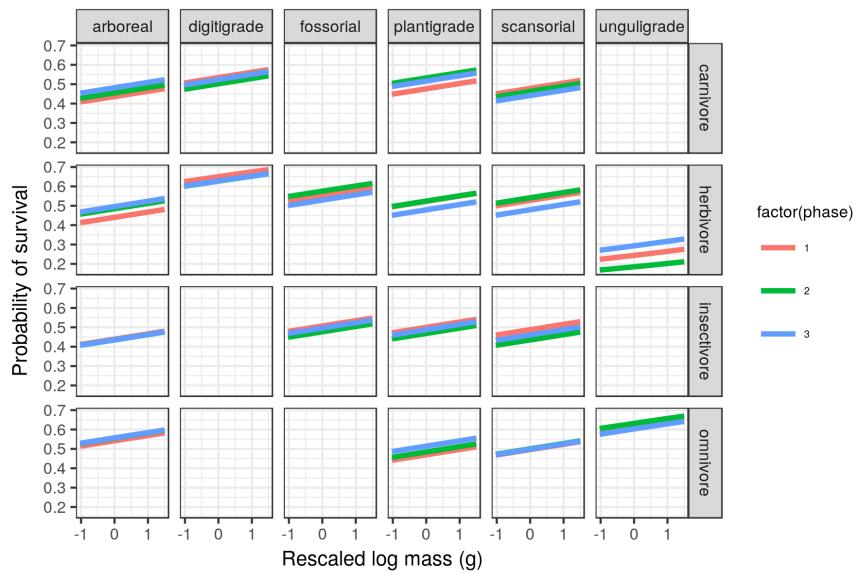


Figure 12: Mean estimate of the effect of species mass on the probability of a species survival for each of the three plant phases. The effect of mass is considered constant over time and that the only aspect of the model that changes with plant phase is the intercept of the relationship between mass and survival. The three plant phases are indicated by the color of the line. Mass has been log-transformed, centered, and rescaled; this means that a mass of 0 corresponds to the mean of log-mass of all observed species and that mass is in standard deviation units. For clarity, only the mean estimates of the effects of mass and plant plant are plotted.

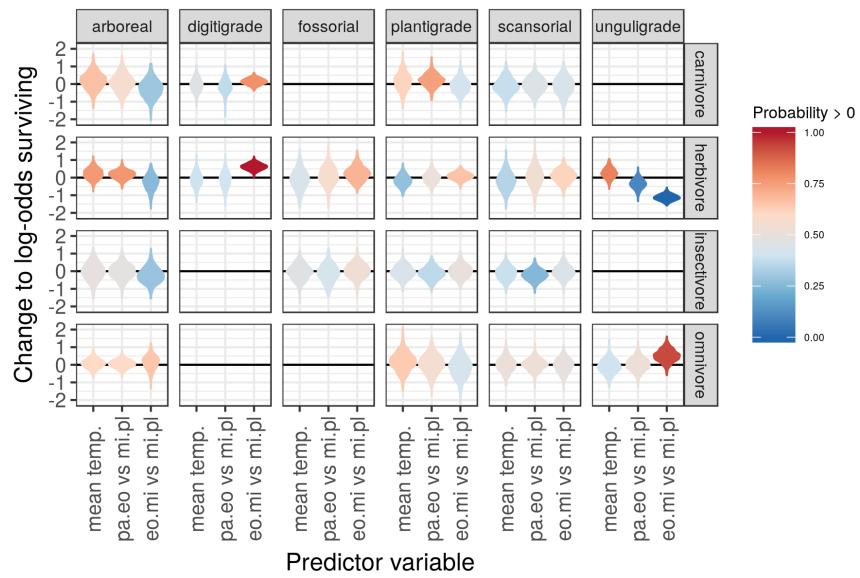


Figure 13: Estimated effects of the group-level covariates describing environmental context on log-odds of species survival. These estimates are from the birth-death model. What is plotted is a violin of the distribution of 1000 samples from the approximate posterior.

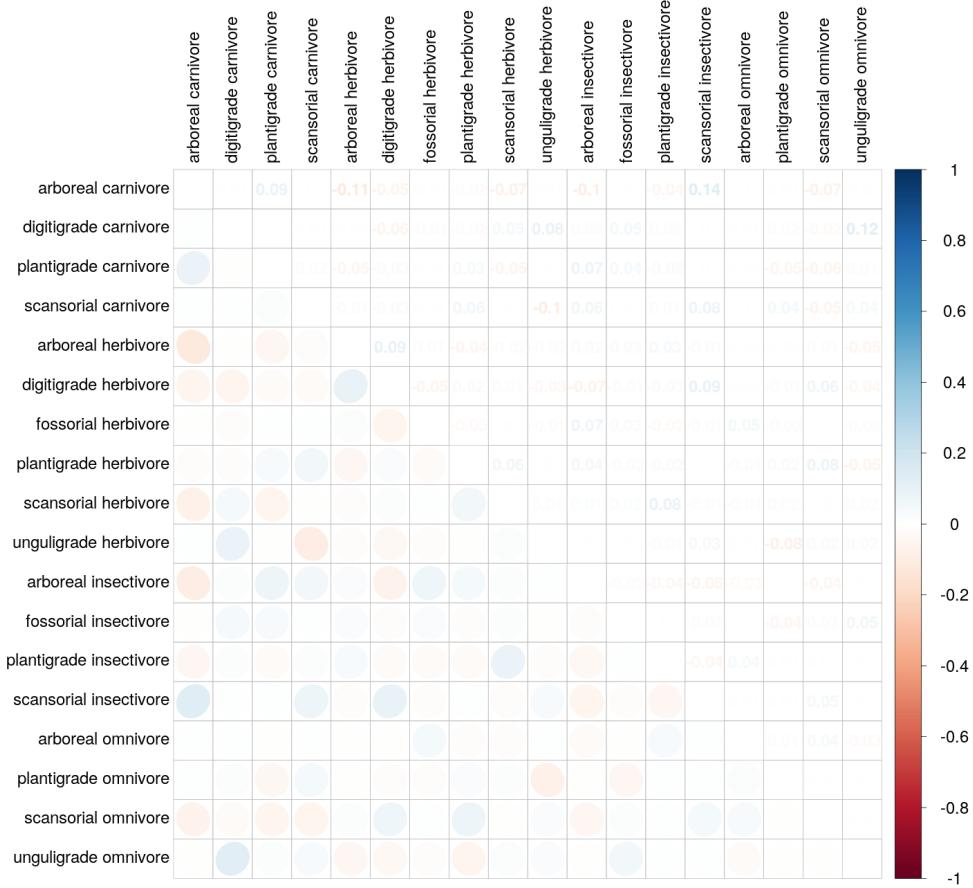


Figure 14: Posterior mean estimates of the correlations in survival probability between the mammal ecotypes. The lower triangle of the matrix is populated with ellipses corresponding to the level of correlation between the two ecotypes, while the upper triangle of the matrix corresponds to the mean estimated correlation between ecotypes. Darker values correspond to a greater magnitude of correlation with blue values corresponding to a positive correlation and red values a negative correlation.

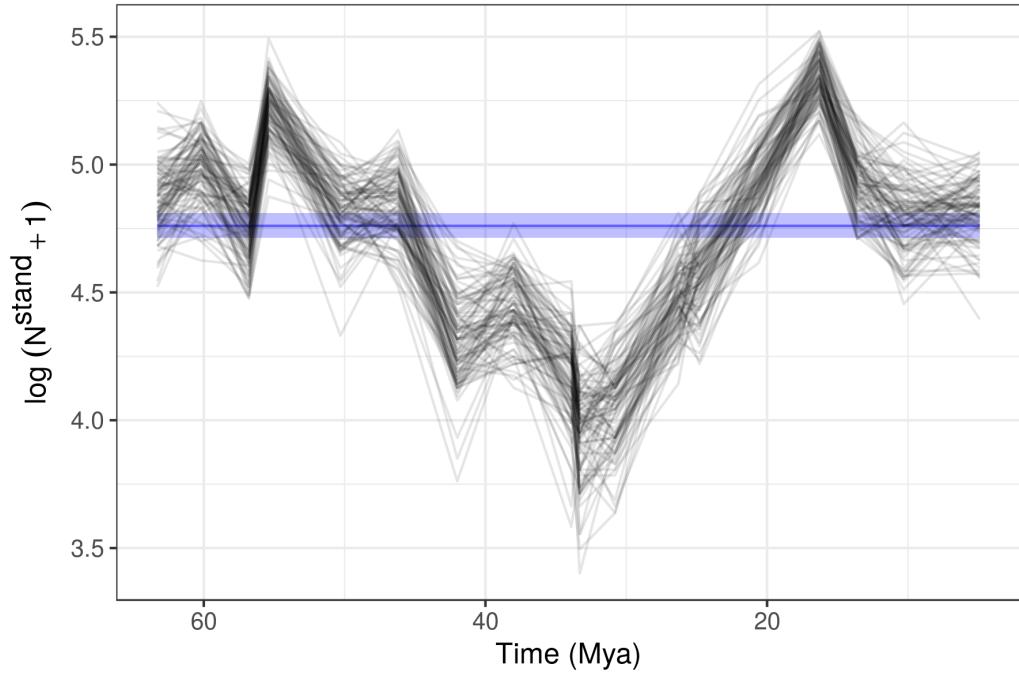


Figure 15: Log diversity

Figure 16: Posterior estimates of the time series of Cenozoic North American mammal diversity; all estimates are from 100 posterior draws. The blue horizontal strip corresponds to the median and 80% credible interval of estimated mean standing diversity.

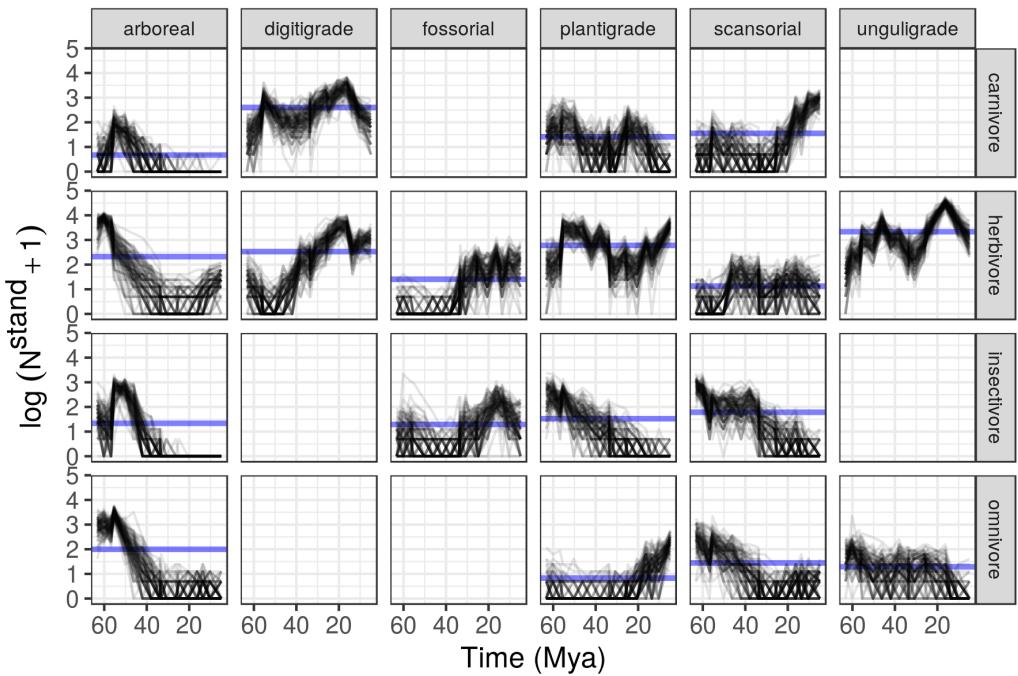


Figure 17: Posterior of standing log-diversity of North American mammals by ecotype for the Cenozoic as estimated from the birth-death model; 100 posterior draws are plotted to indicate the uncertainty in these estimates and what is technically plotted is \log of diversity plus 1.

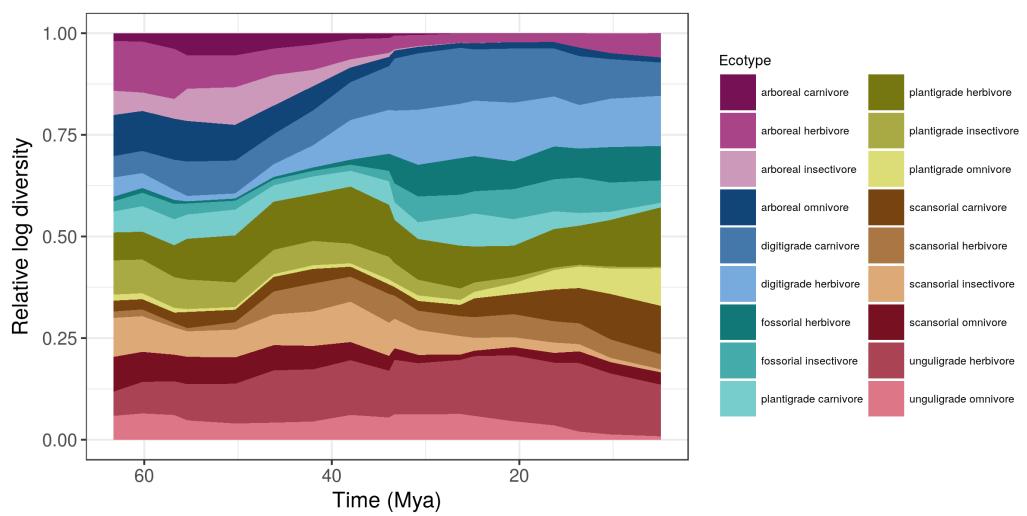


Figure 18: Mean posterior estimate of relative log standing diversity of 18 North American mammal ecotypes for the Cenozoic. These estimates are calculated from 100 posterior estimates of the true occurrence matrix z as estimated from the birth-death model.