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- ▶ Evolution 2015 talk
- ▶ GSA 2015 talk
- ▶ Chapter 1 published (PNAS)
 - ▶ Effects of biotic traits on mammal species duration
- ▶ Chapter 2 submitted (Evolution)
 - ▶ Interplay between extinction intensity and selectivity in brachiopod extinction
 - ▶ Submitted early October, still in review?
- ▶ Did not submit DDIG

Review possible chapter 1

- ▶ Published in PNAS
- ▶ I took all of your comments very seriously and they really improved the paper.
 - ▶ Rick for forcing on the phylo (didn't do figure, but made me use it).
 - ▶ Ken and David for pushing about modern extinction risk.
 - ▶ Michael and Ken for helping me write it in english.
- ▶ Sorry i didn't send it to anyone except Michael and Ken.

Review possible chapter 2

- ▶ Submitted to Evolution
- ▶ What my patterns of extinction in Australia project eventually turned into.
 - ▶ Sorry about that.
 - ▶ Primarily drive by sample size issues.
- ▶ Sorry I didn't send it to anyone except michael and ken before submitting it.
 - ▶ This is actually a really good time to get all of your comments!

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Regional patterns in the diversification of Paleozoic brachiopods

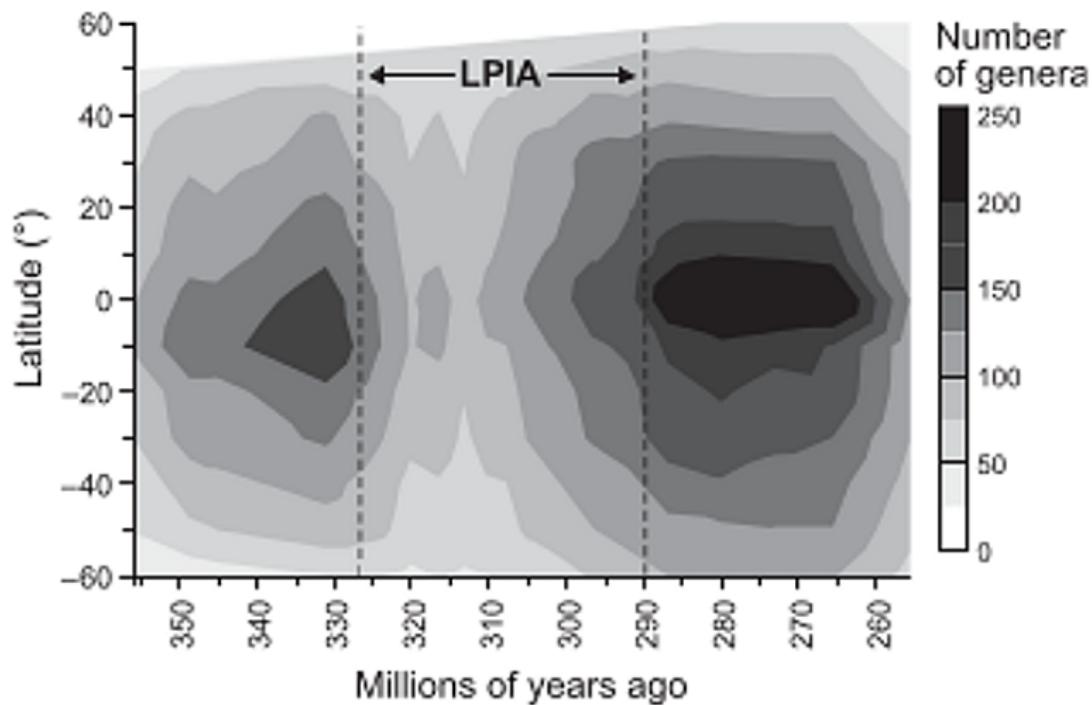
Question

How does differential taxonomic entrance and loss contribute to regional (e.g. latitudinal) diversity?

Motivation

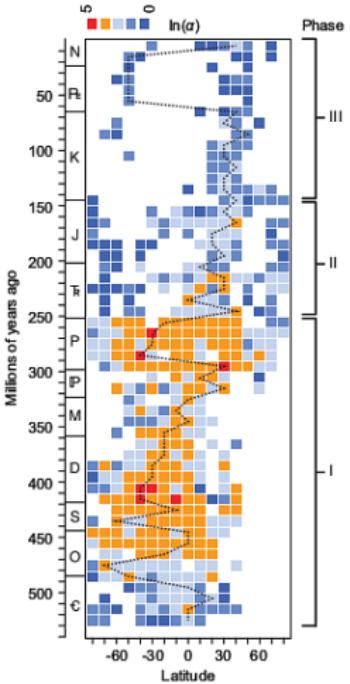
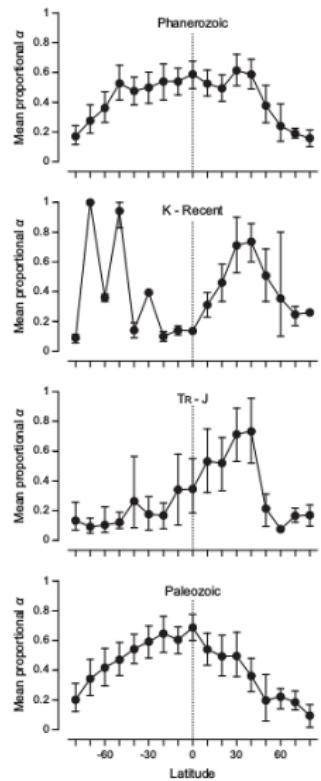
- ▶ latitudinal diversity gradients
 - ▶ through lense of a diversification process
- ▶ regional as opposed to global
 - ▶ variation within regions may not match global pattern
(more biologically relevant?)
 - ▶ partial follow up to brachiopod survival work

Brachiopod latitudinal diversity



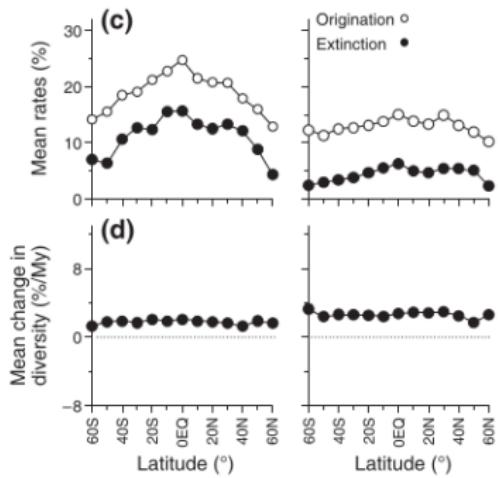
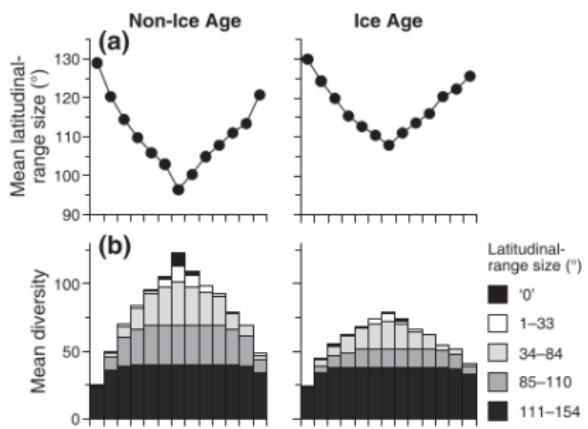
(Powell 2007 *G. Eco. Biogeo.*)

Variation in bioversity gradient



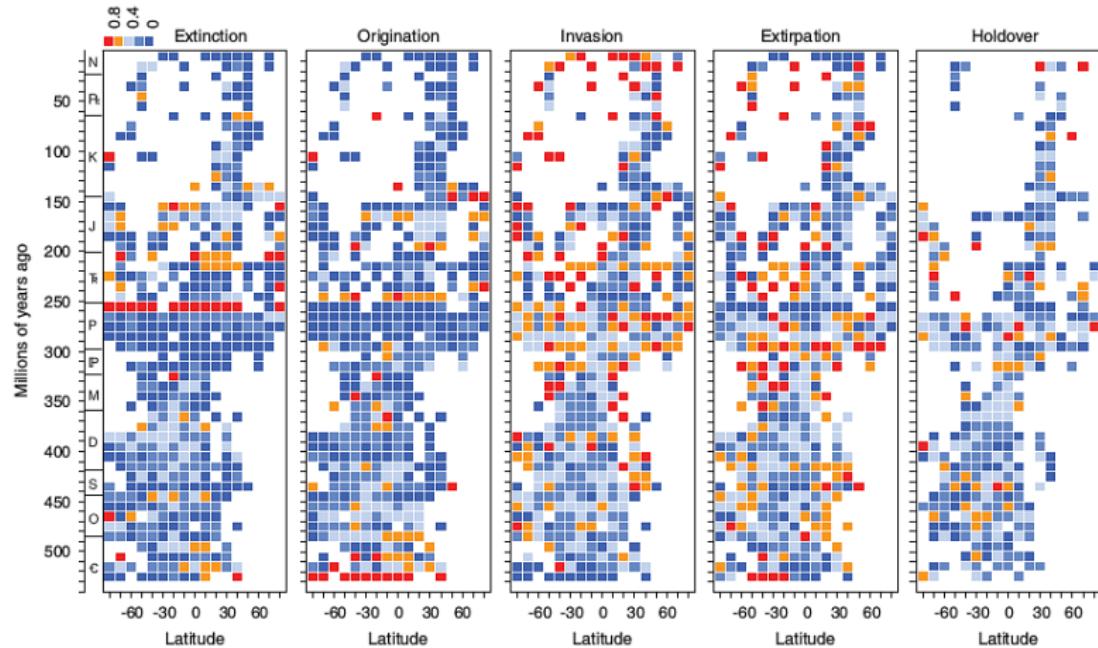
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“Modes” of latitudinal diversity



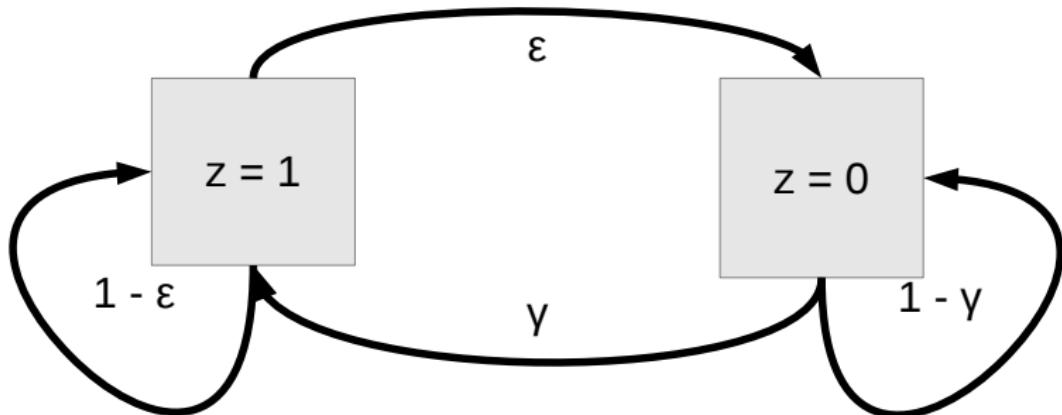
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Change in evenness + diversity

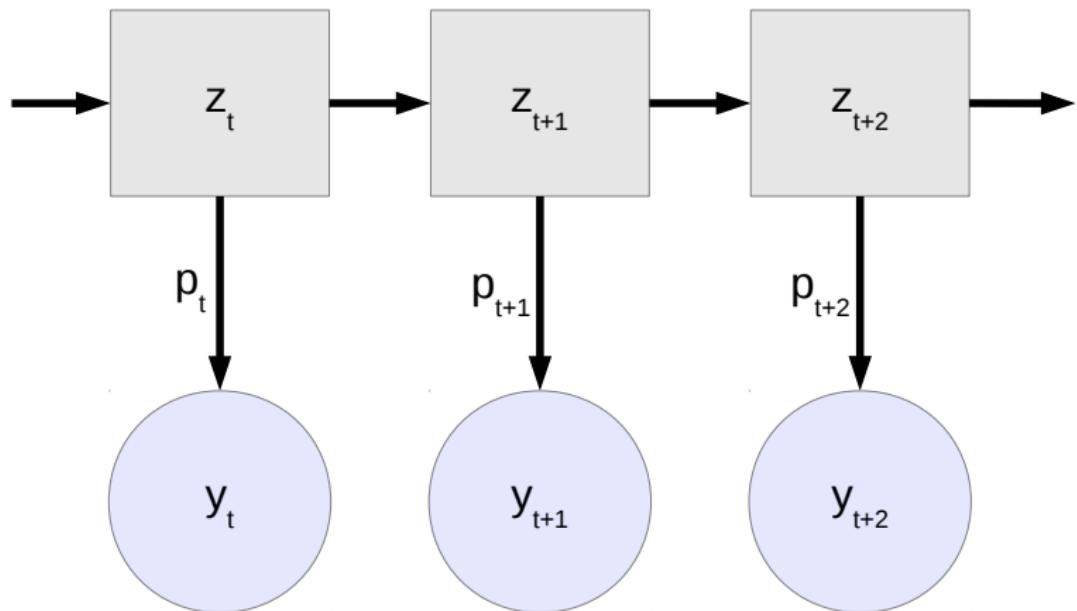


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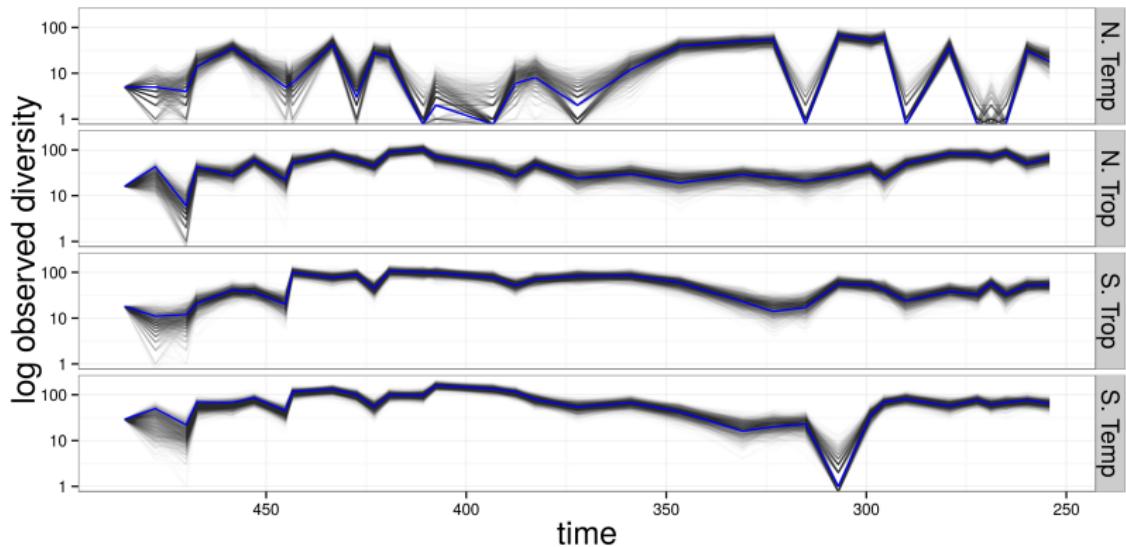
Model structure: Markov model



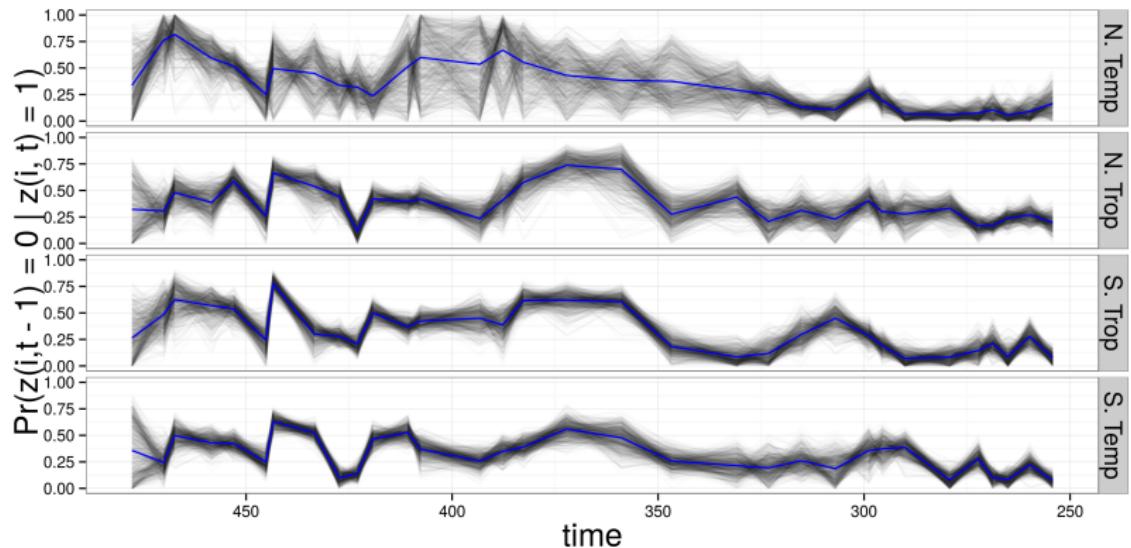
Model structure: hidden state



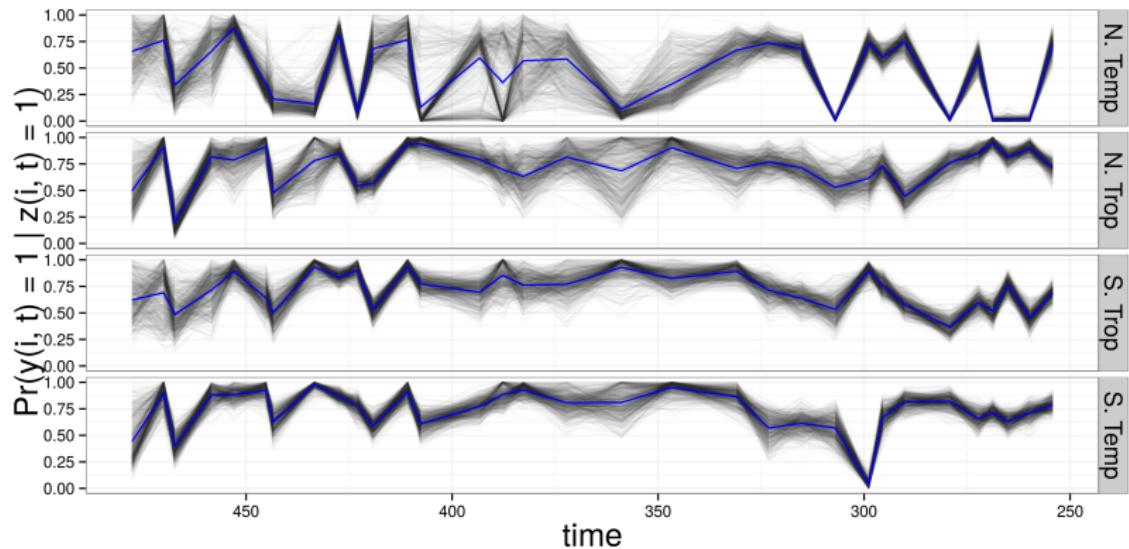
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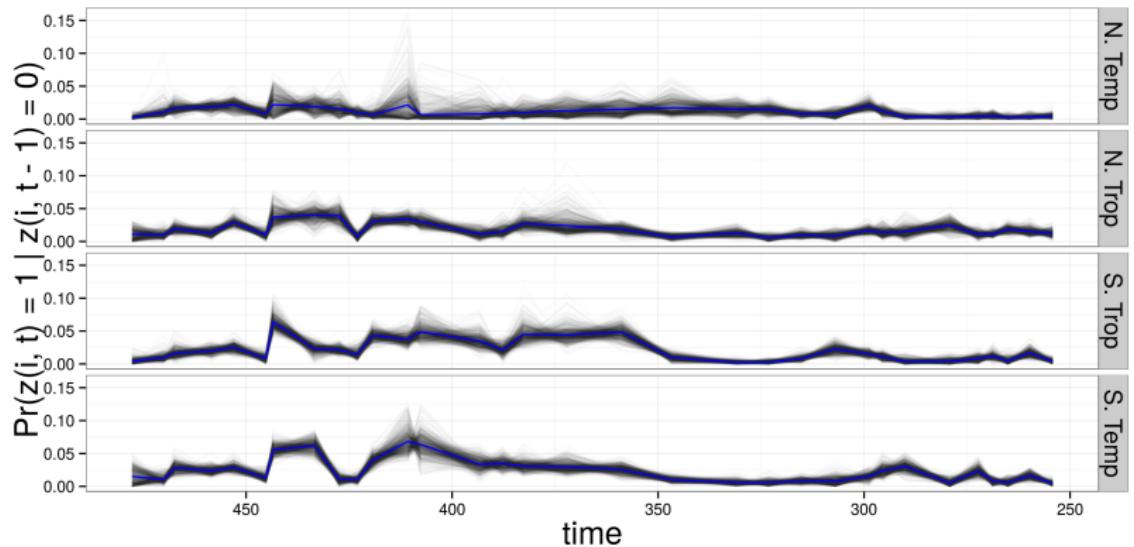
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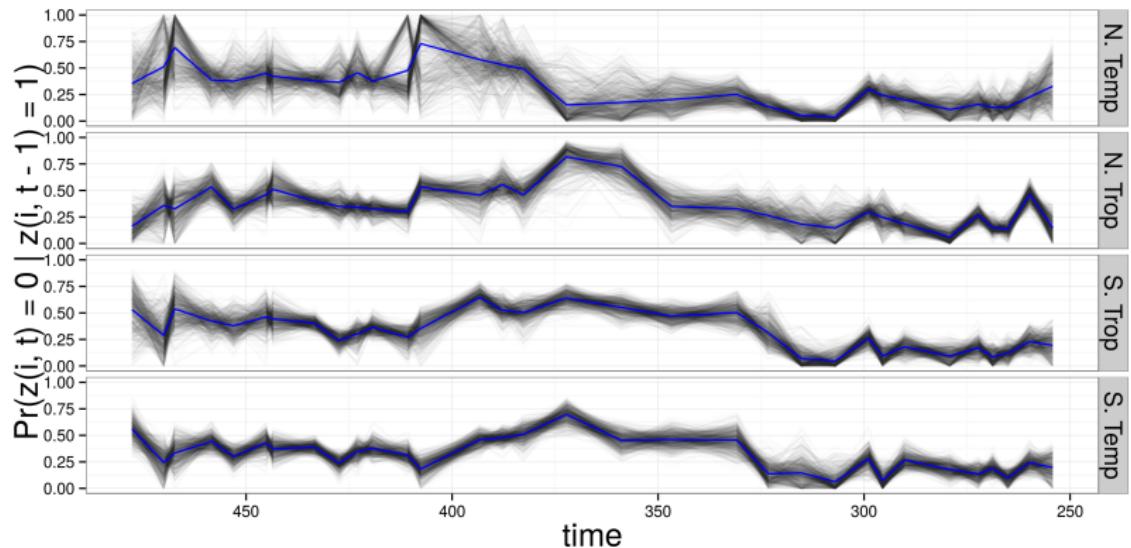
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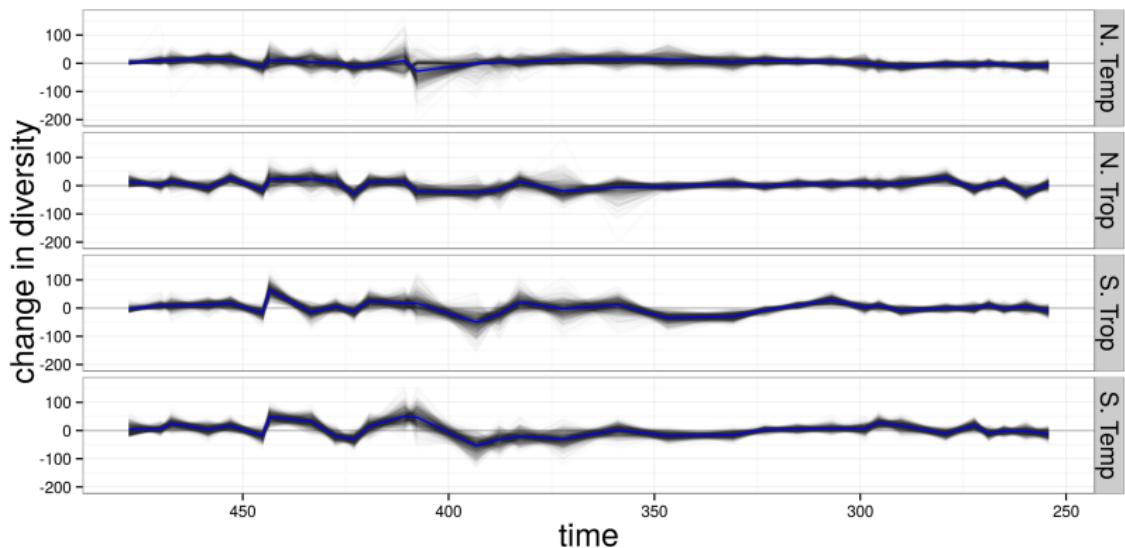
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Major assumptions

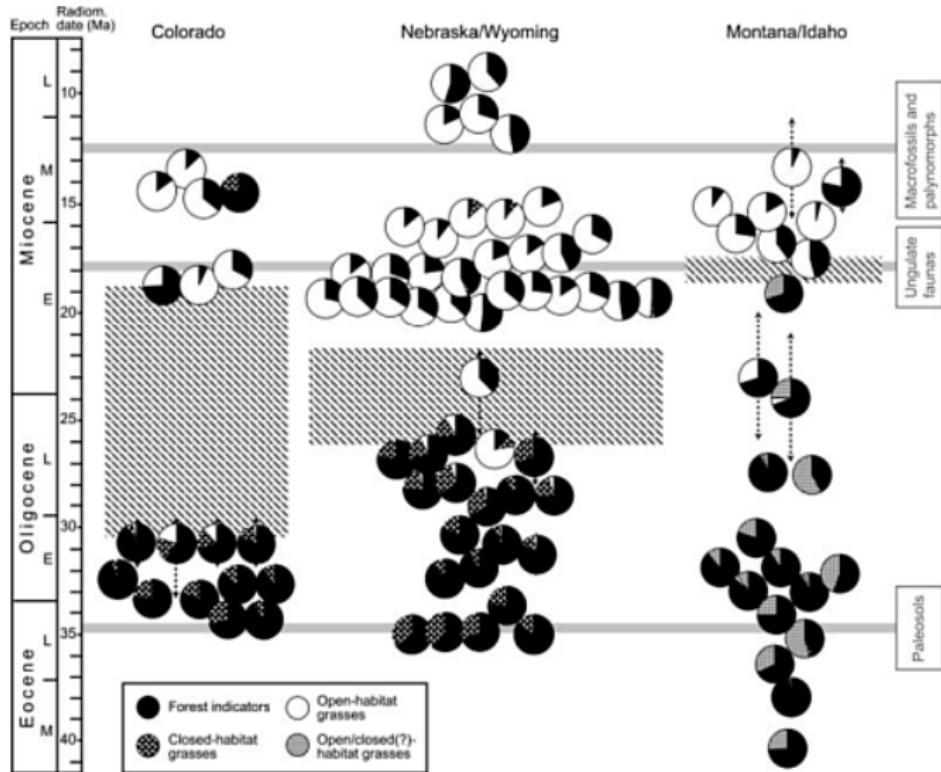
- ▶ model is only a first-order Markov process
 - ▶ can lead to some taxa existing longer than in actuality
- ▶ any taxon can occur in any geographic unit independent of other units
- ▶ both possibly controlled for by sampling rate through time
 - ▶ further assumes all times and places can be considered similar
- ▶ relaxing all of these assumption increases complexity
 - ▶ expand to whole Phanerozoic and/or other taxonomic groups?

Changes in Cenozoic mammal ecotype composition

Question

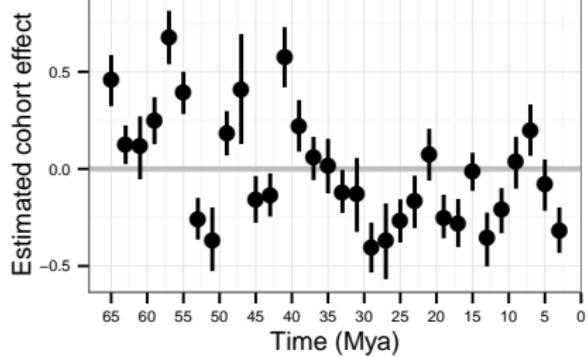
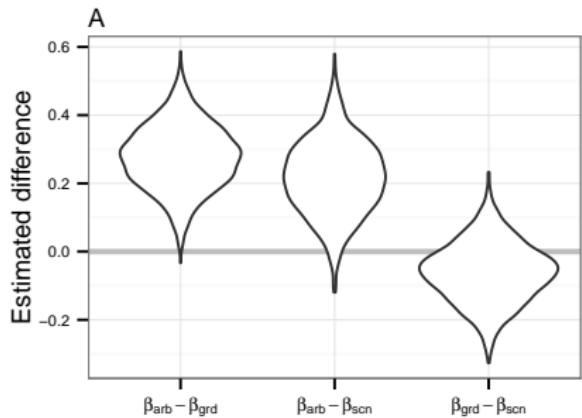
How do occurrence ratios of mammalian ecotypes change over time?

Environmental shift



(Stromberg 2005 PNAS)

Possible link?



(Smits 2015 *PNAS*)

Multi-logit regression

$$y_i \sim \text{Categorical}(K, \pi)$$

$$\pi_k = \frac{\exp(\beta_{k,j[i]} X_i + \lambda_k)}{\sum_{k=1}^K \exp(\beta_{k,j[i]} X_i + \lambda_{k,i})}$$

$$\text{where } \beta_{K,j[i]} X_i + \lambda_{K,i} = 0$$

$$\lambda_k \sim \text{MVN}(0, \tau_k^2 \Sigma)$$

$$\beta_{k,j} \sim \mathcal{N}(\beta'_k, \sigma_k)$$

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Further developments

- ▶ NOTE currently single flat mean; allow trend/multiple?
 - ▶ time order is not currently modeled
- ▶ NOTE no phylogenetic effect for $k = K$
 - ▶ every thing is relative to it
- ▶ climate as cohort-level predictor, integrating over uncertainty?
- ▶ observed taxa represent a proportional sample of reality
 - ▶ how can this be overcome in a model based framework?
- ▶ limits to complexity of model due to sample size

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Things to consider

- ▶ TAing this spring and next year
- ▶ Funding?
 - ▶ FMNH fellow (but I don't spend time at the museum).
- ▶ Estimates for time of completion?
- ▶ Post-doctoral opportunities?