Appendix A: Full model description

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1 Model overview

2 Purpose

- 3 This model tests an evolving population's ability to track a changing climate under a variety of con-
- 4 ditions. Specifically, populations are simulated under different combinations of (1) the starkness
- of the range boundary and (2) the potential for local adaptation. In all simulations, an individual's
- 6 expected dispersal distance and environmental niche are defined by an explicit set of quantitative
- ⁷ diploid loci subject to mutation, thus allowing both traits to evolve over time. All simulations be-
- gin with stable climate conditions for 2000 generations to allow the populations to reach a spatial
- 9 equilibrium before the onset of climate change. Climate change is then modeled as a constant,
- directional shift in the location of environmentally suitable habitat (see *Submodels* below). Finally,
- simulations end with another short period of climate stability to assess the population's ability to
- persist and recover after shifting its range.

13 State variables and scales

- 14 The model simulates a population of males and females characterized by diploid loci for both their
- 15 expected dispersal distance and environmental niche. Space is modeled as a lattice of discrete
- patches overlaying a continuous Cartesian coordinate system. Landscapes are two dimensional

with a fixed width along the y axis and without bounds on the x axis. Environmental conditions vary along the x dimension but remain constant within the y dimension. To avoid edge effects due to the fixed width of the y dimension, the model employs wrapping boundaries such that if an individual disperses out of the landscape on one side, it appears at the opposite end of the same column of the landscape. Patches are defined by the location of the patch center in x and y coordinates and a patch width parameter defining the relationship between continuous Cartesian space and the discrete patches used for population dynamics (Submodels).

The model implements climate change by shifting the location of a population's available habitat along the *x* dimension of the landscape. Available habitat (i.e. a population's potential range) is defined by a center location on the *x* dimension, the severity of the decline in habitat quality at the edge, and the width of the available habitat along the *x* dimension (See Figure A1). Further, a gradient in environmental conditions is imposed throughout the landscape to allow for local adaptation via matching of an individual's environmental niche to the local environmental conditions (*Submodels*). The severity of this gradient can be altered to change the potential for local adaptation (e.g. a shallower gradient will result in more similar environmental conditions throughout the range and therefore reduce the potential for local adaptation).

33 Process overview and scheduling

Time is modeled in discrete intervals defining single generations of the population (Fig. A2).

Within each generation, individuals first disperse from their natal patches according to their phenotypes. After dispersal, reproduction occurs according to a stochastic implementation of the classic Ricker model (Ricker, 1954) taking into account the mean fitness of individuals within the patch.

Reproduction occurs via random sampling of the local population (with replacement) weighted by individual relative fitness such that individuals with high relative fitness (as determined by the match between their environmental niche and local conditions) are likely to produce multiple offspring while individuals with low relative fitness may not produce any. Individuals inherit one

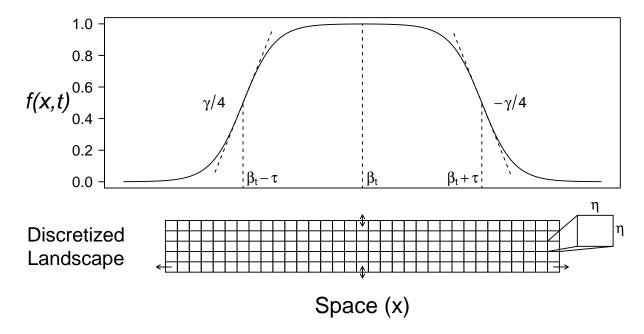


Figure A1: Example of the environmentally suitable habitat available to a population, as defined by f(x,t) in Cartesian space. The parameters of f(x,t) are shown on the figure at significant points along the x axis. The lattice of discrete patches in which population dynamics occur is shown beneath. As described in the *Submodels* section of the supplemental materials, f(x,t) determines the carrying capacity of the discrete $\eta \times \eta$ patches. Carrying capacities vary with f(x,t) along the x dimension of the lattice and remain constant within each column along the y dimension. Landscapes are unbounded in the x dimension and implemented with wrapping boundaries in the y dimension.

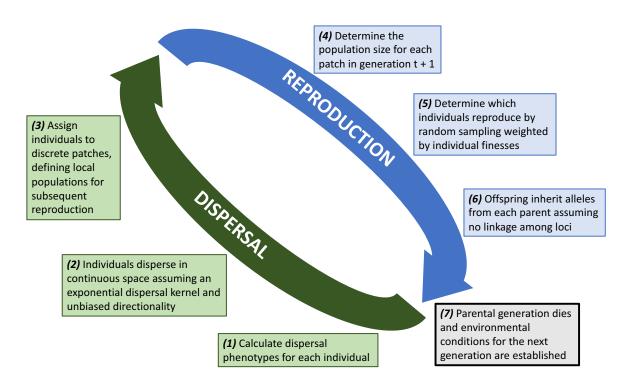


Figure A2: The life cycle of simulated populations is shown divided between events contributing to reproduction and dispersal. Each generation begins with new offspring dispersing according to their phenotype, after which reproduction occurs in local populations defined by the discrete lattice. After reproduction, all parental individuals perish, resulting in discrete, non-overlapping generations.

- allele from each parent at each loci, assuming independent segregation and a mutation process.
- After reproduction, all individuals in the current generation perish and the offspring begin the next
- generation with dispersal, resulting in discrete, non-overlapping generations.

Design concepts

46 Emergence

- 47 Emergent phenomena in this model include the spatial equilibrium of population abundances and
- 48 trait values within the stable range, the demographic dynamics of the shifting population during
- climate change, and the evolutionary trajectories of both expected dispersal distances and environ-

50 mental niche values during climate change.

51 Stochasticity

52 All biological processes in this model are stochastic including realized population growth in each

patch, dispersal distances of each individual, and inheritance of loci. Environmental parameters are

fixed, however, and the process of climate change (i.e. the movement of environmentally suitable

habitat through time) is deterministic. Thus, the model removes the confounding influence of

environmental stochasticity to focus on demographic and evolutionary dynamics of range shifts.

57 Interactions

Individuals in the model interact via mating and density-dependent competition within patches.

Additionally, the evolutionary trajectories of the two different traits have the potential to interact

via the relationship between gene flow and local adaptation. Further, aspects determining the

₆₁ spatial population structure of a population's range (potential for local adaptation and the nature

of the range edge) can interact with trait evolution within the range both during stable climate

conditions and during climate change.

Desired output

After each model run, full details of all surviving individuals at the last time point are recorded

66 (spatial coordinates and loci values for both traits). If a population went extinct during the model

run, the time of extinction is recorded. For each occupied patch throughout the simulation, we

aggregated data on population size, the dispersal trait, and local adaptation to environmental con-

69 ditions.

Details

1 Initialization

The following parameters are set at the beginning of each simulation and form the initial conditions of the model: the mean and variance for allele values of each trait, population size, location of 73 environmentally suitable habitat, number of generations for the pre-, post-, and during climate change periods of the simulation, and all other necessary parameters for the submodels defined 75 below. Simulated populations are initialized in the center of the range and allowed to spread and 76 equilibrate throughout the range during the period of stable climate conditions. This ensures that 77 the populations reacting to a changing climate truly represent the expected spatial distribution for 78 a given range, rather than the initial parameter values used in the simulation. See Tables A1 & A2 79 for a full list of parameter values used in the simulations described here. 80

81 Submodels

Environmentally suitable habitat Environmentally suitable habitat is determined by the population's carrying capacity as it ranges in space (K_x) . The carrying capacity is maximized in the center of the species' range (K_{max}) and declines with increasing distance from the center. Specifically, the carrying capacity at a location x is defined as the product of K_{max} and a function f(x,t), where f(x,t) ranges from 1 in the range center to 0 far away from the center and is defined as follows

$$f(x,t) = \begin{cases} \frac{e^{\gamma(x-\beta_t+\tau)}}{1+e^{\gamma(x-\beta_t+\tau)}} & x \le \beta_t \\ \frac{e^{-\gamma(x-\beta_t-\tau)}}{1+e^{-\gamma(x-\beta_t-\tau)}} & x > \beta_t \end{cases}$$
(A1)

where β_t defines the center of the area of suitable habitat at time t, τ sets the width of the range, and γ affects the slope of the function at the range boundaries (See Figure A1). To understand the relationship between γ and the slope of f(x,t) at the range boundary, the partial derivative of

Parameter	Description	Value	
N_1	Initial population size (seeded across multiple patches) when beginning the simulations	2500	
$oldsymbol{eta}_1$	Center of environmentally suitable habitat before climate change	0	
η	Spatial dimensions of habitat patches in continuous space	50	
Утах	Number of patches the discrete lattice extends in the <i>y</i> direction	10	
\hat{t}	Last time point of stable climate conditions	2000	
t_{Δ}	Duration of climate change	100	
t_{max}	Total number of time points in the simulation	2150	
R	Intrinsic growth rate of the population	2	
K_{max}	Maximum achievable carrying capacity in the range	100	
Ψ	Expected sex ratio in the population	0.5	
\hat{d}	Maximum achievable dispersal phenotype	1000	
ρ	Determines the slope of the transition in dispersal phenotypes from 0 to D	0.5	
ω	Defines the strength of stabilizing selection on fitness traits	3	
U^T	Diploid mutation rate for each trait	0.02 for each trait	
V_m^T	Mutational variance for each trait	0.0004 for each trait	
L^T	Number of diploid loci defining each trait	5 for each trait	
μ_1^f	Initial mean allele value for the environmental niche trait	0	
μ_1^d	Initial mean allele value for the dispersal trait	-1	
$\sigma_{ m l}^f$	Initial standard deviation of allele values for the environmental niche trait	0.025	
σ_1^d	Initial standard deviation of allele values for the dispersal trait	1	

Table A1: Simulation parameters held constant across all scenarios.

f(x,t) over the x dimension can be shown to be

$$f(x,t) = \begin{cases} \frac{\gamma e^{\gamma(x-\beta_t+\tau)}}{(1+e^{\gamma(x-\beta_t+\tau)})^2} & x \le \beta_t \\ \frac{-\gamma e^{-\gamma(x-\beta_t-\tau)}}{(1+e^{-\gamma(x-\beta_t-\tau)})^2} & x > \beta_t \end{cases}$$
(A2)

yielding a value of $\pm \frac{\gamma}{4}$ at the inflection points on either side of the range center $(x = \beta_t \pm \tau)$.

Population dynamics occur within discrete patches, so to calculate a K_x value for a discrete patch from the continuous function f(x,t), we use another parameter defining the spatial scale of each patch (η ; See Figure A1). The local carrying capacity of a patch centered on x (K_x) is then calculated as the mean of f(x,t) over the interval of the patch multiplied by K_{max} .

$$K_x = \frac{K_{max}}{\eta} \int_{x-\frac{\eta}{2}}^{x+\frac{\eta}{2}} f(x,t) dx$$
 (A3)

By varying the parameters defining f(x,t), we can change both the total carrying capacity of the population, summed across all patches throughout the range, (by altering both τ and γ) and the slope at which K_x declines to 0 (by altering γ). Changing the slope affects not only the rate at which K_x declines at the range boundaries (our focus), but it also alters the total carrying capacity of the population. To avoid this confounding factor, we fix the total area under the curve f(x,t). The indefinite integral of f(x,t) can be shown to be

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x,t)dx = \frac{2ln(e^{\gamma\tau} + 1)}{\gamma}$$
 (A4)

which can be solved for τ . For a given fixed total area under the curve, an appropriate value of τ can be calculated for each value of γ .

Thus, γ and τ are both fixed within a given simulation and β_t (the location of the center of suitable habitat) is used to simulate climate change. During the periods before and after climate

Habitat gradient at the range edge	Potential for local adaptation	γ	τ	λ
	None	0.0025	250	0
Shallow	Low	0.0025	250	0.004
	High	0.0025	250	0.008
	None	0.025	421.479	0
Moderate	Low	0.025	421.479	0.004
	High	0.025	421.479	0.008
	None	0.25	421.48	0
Stark	Low	0.25	421.48	0.004
	High	0.25	421.48	0.008

Table A2: Descriptions and parameter values for the 9 different experimental scenarios.

change β_t is constant, but to simulate climate change it varies with time as follows

$$\beta_t = v\eta(t - \hat{t}) \tag{A5}$$

where v is the velocity of climate change per generation in terms of discrete patches, t is the current generation, and \hat{t} is the last generation of stable climatic conditions before the onset of climate change.

Local adaptation To allow an arbitrary degree of local adaptation within the range, the local environmental optima for each patch $(z_{opt,x})$ are set as follows

$$z_{opt,x} = \lambda(x - \beta_t) \tag{A6}$$

where λ defines the potential for local adaptation with values close to 0 resulting in little to no change in environmental optima across the range and values of greater magnitude resulting in

large differences in environmental optima across the range. Individual relative fitness $(w_{i,x})$ values are then calculated according to the following equation assuming stabilizing selection

$$w_{i,x} = e^{\frac{-(z_i - z_{opt,x})^2}{2\omega^2}}$$
 (A7)

where ω defines the strength of stabilizing selection and z_i is an individual's niche phenotype (Lande, 1976). Thus, an individual's realized fitness will be higher the closer its niche phenotype ($z_{[i]}$) is to the environmental optimum of the patch it occupies ($z_{opt,x}$). All loci are assumed to contribute additively to an individual's environmental niche value with no dominance or epistasis, meaning an individual's phenotype is simply the sum of the individual's allele values.

Population dynamics Population growth within each patch is modeled with a stochastic implementation of the classic Ricker model (Ricker, 1954; Melbourne and Hastings, 2008). To account for fitness effects on population growth, expected population growth is scaled by the mean relative fitness of individuals within the patch $(\bar{w_x})$. The expected number of new offspring in patch x at time t+1 is then given by

$$\hat{N}_{t+1,x} = \bar{w_x} F_{t,x} \frac{R}{\psi} e^{\frac{-RN_{t,x}}{K_x}}$$
(A8)

where $F_{t,x}$ is the number of females in patch x at time t, R is the intrinsic growth rate for the population, ψ is the expected sex ratio of the population, $N_{t,x}$ is the number of individuals (males and females) in patch x at time t, and K_x is the local carrying capacity based on the environmental conditions. To incorporate demographic stochasticity, the realized number of offspring for each patch is then drawn from a Poisson distribution.

$$N_{t+1,x} \sim Poisson(\hat{N}_{t+1,x})$$
 (A9)

Parentage of the offspring is then assigned by random sampling of the local male and female

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population (i.e. polygynandrous mating). The sampling is weighted by individual fitness and occurs with replacement so highly fit individuals are likely to have multiple offspring while low fitness individuals may not have any. Each offspring inherits one allele per locus from each parent, assuming no linkage among loci. After reproduction, all members of the previous generation die and the offspring disperse to begin the next generation.

Mutation Inherited alleles are subject to mutation such that some offspring might not inherit identical copies of certain alleles from their parents. The mutation process is defined by two parameters for each trait T: the diploid mutation rate (U^T) and the mutational variance (V_m^T) . Using these parameters along with the number of loci defining trait T (L^T), the per locus probability of a mutation is

$$\frac{U^T}{2L^T} \tag{A10}$$

Mutational effects are drawn from a normal distribution with mean 0 and a standard deviation of

$$\sqrt{V_m^T U^T} \tag{A11}$$

By defining the mutation process in this manner rather than setting a probability of mutation and mutational effect directly, similar mutational dynamics can be imposed regardless of the number of loci used in the simulation.

Dispersal Finally, individuals disperse according to an exponential dispersal kernel defined by
each individual's dispersal phenotype. An individual's dispersal phenotype is the expected dispersal distance and is given by

$$d_i = \frac{\hat{d}\eta e^{\rho \Sigma L^D}}{1 + e^{\rho \Sigma L^D}} \tag{A12}$$

where \hat{d} is the maximum expected dispersal distance in terms of discrete patches, ρ is a constant determining the slope of the transition between 0 and \hat{d} , and the summation is taken across all al-

leles contributing to dispersal. Thus, as with fitness, loci are assumed to contribute additively with no dominance or epistasis. The expected dispersal distance, d_i is then used to draw a realized distance from an exponential dispersal kernel. Since the dispersal phenotype is the expected value of the exponential dispersal kernel, it can be used directly to calculate the two dimensional diffusion coefficient of population spread (D). Specifically, since d_i^2 represents the mean squared displacement of an individual with dispersal phenotype d_i , the two dimensional diffusion coefficient can be calculated as

$$D = \frac{1}{4}d_i^2 \tag{A13}$$

Once the realized dispersal distance is obtained, the direction of dispersal is drawn from a uniform distribution bounded by 0 and 2π . If a dispersal trajectory takes an individual outside the bounds of the landscape in the y dimension, the individual reappears at the same x coordinate but the opposite end of the y dimension, thus wrapping the top and bottom edges of the landscape to avoid edge effects. Dispersal occurs from the center of each patch and the individual's new patch is then determined according to its location in the overlaid grid of $\eta \times \eta$ patches (see Figure A1).

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