

PROBLEM: Evolution of interactions – Adaptive topographies in family structured populations. Reference: Michod and Abugov Science: 210: 667-669.

| genotype | $f_i$     | $df_i/dp$ | $W_i$                  |
|----------|-----------|-----------|------------------------|
| AA       | $p^2$     | $2p$      | $\sum_i W_{1i} p(i/1)$ |
| AB       | $2p(1-p)$ | $2-4p$    | $\sum_i W_{2i} p(i/2)$ |
| BB       | $(1-p)^2$ | $-2+2p$   | $\sum_i W_{3i} p(i/3)$ |

Assume the additive model of interactions in which  $w_{ij} = 1 + c_i + b_j$ .

Also assume that selection is weak so that the adult frequencies can be approximated by the Hardy-Weinberg frequencies.

- 1) Calculate  $P(i/1)$   $i=1,2,3$  yourself. Also convince yourself that the other conditional probabilities are  $P(1/2)=\frac{1}{4}p(1+p)$ ,  $P(2/2)=\frac{1}{2}(-p^2+p+1)$ ,  $P(3/2)=\frac{1}{4}(p-1)(p-2)$ ,  $P(1/3)=\frac{1}{4}p^2$ ,  $P(2/3)=p(1-\frac{1}{2}p)$ ,  $P(3/3)=\frac{1}{4}(p-2)^2$ .

- 2) Prove that the fitness function,  $F(p)$ , equals

$$F(p) = p^2(c_1 + \frac{1}{2}b_1 - 2c_2 - b_2 + c_3 + \frac{1}{2}b_3) + p(2c_2 + b_2 - 2c_3 - b_3) + C$$

where  $C$  is a constant of integration.

- 3) Define  $e_i = c_i + \frac{1}{2}b_i$  as the inclusive fitness effect of the  $i^{\text{th}}$  genotype when interacting with outbred sibs. Show that if you take  $C = e_3$

$$F(p) = \sum_i f_i e_i \quad (= \text{mean inclusive fitness effect})$$

- 4) Let us now consider altruism in which  $e_1 = c + \frac{1}{2}b$ ,  $e_2 = h(c + \frac{1}{2}b)$  and  $e_3 = 0$ .

The parameter  $h$  is the probability that a heterozygote performs an altruistic act. Give the conditions on  $c$  and  $b$  such that  $dF(p)/dp$  is always positive.

answer:  $c/b < \frac{1}{2}$  (This is known as Hamilton's Rule for outbred sibs)