

Corrections and afterthoughts for
Genetic structure and selection in subdivided populations
as of May 4, 2007

p. 18 “In an infinite randomly selfing hermaphrodite population,...”: random selfing is the case where an individual has the same probability to self-fertilize as to mate with any other individual in the population. The sentence is correct but better would have been “In an infinite randomly *mating* hermaphrodite population,...”.

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p. 42.: In the numerical example, $\hat{\sigma} = 10$, not $\hat{\sigma}^2 = 10$. This typo might suggest that long distance dispersers have less impact than they do.

p. 48–49: Instead of $\bar{\mathbf{e}}_k$ in eq. (3.62), there should be the r th element of each such vector. As it stands, the right hand side sum in eq. (3.62), when substituted to the sum in eq. (3.29), yields the general expression for $\dot{\mathbf{Q}}$, not for \dot{Q}_r . (28/12/2004)

p. 52: The approximation given is for $\psi/(1+\psi)$, not $\psi^2/(1+\psi)$. Corrected expressions are

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\psi^2}{1+\psi} &= \frac{1}{2} - (1-\psi) \frac{1+2\psi}{2(1+\psi)} = \frac{1}{2} - (1-\psi) \left[\frac{3}{4} + O(m) \right] \\ &= \frac{1}{2} - 3 \frac{1-\psi}{4} + O(m^2). \end{aligned} \quad (1)$$

The \mathcal{L}_0 transform of this expression is $1/2 - 3m/4 + O(m^2)$, since $\mathcal{L}_0(1-\psi) = m$. Finally,

$$\sum_{\mathbf{r}} m_{\mathbf{r}} \frac{\dot{Q}_0 - \dot{Q}_{\mathbf{r}}}{1 - \dot{Q}_0} \approx \frac{1}{N} \left(\frac{1}{2} - \frac{3m}{4} \right). \quad (2)$$

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p. 80 Multilocus evolution: see in particular ongoing work by Otto, Lenormand, and Roze and myself on various aspects of multilocus evolution in spatially structured populations, the multilocus associations that matter in models of recombination and how spatial structure generates them (Martin et al. 2006), and ESS computations taking multilocus associations into account (Roze and Rousset 2005).

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p. 83 Frequency dependence of first-order effects under isolation by distance: a much less heuristic argument is detailed in Rousset (2006).

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p. 89 eq. (5.18) assumes (without loss of generality) that $F(z_a, z_a) = 1$. Otherwise, divide the selection term by $F(z_a, z_a)$. (13/01/2005)

More importantly, the numerator is reversed in eq. (5.20), which should be

$$z = \frac{P - S}{R - T - S + P}. \quad (3)$$

The correct expression z is never $0 < z < 1$ in the conditions of the prisoner’s dilemma. Otherwise, it may be $0 < z < 1$ but is convergence stable only if

$PR - ST < 0$. These corrections extend to the analogue eq. (5.21), which should be

$$z = \frac{\pi - \sigma}{\rho - \tau - \sigma + \pi}, \quad (4)$$

and to p. 116 (see below). (31/10/2005)

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p. 102 “Note in addition that it is generally not sufficient to account for dispersal through its effects on relatedness only. The expression for the fitness function must also take dispersal into account in order to represent the expected number of adult offspring under a specified life cycle.” Ignoring this point is a recurrent error in well-published literature.

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p.105 bottom. To complicate discussions of altruism, these two ways of characterizing altruism are not necessarily equivalent: comparing the fitness of a single deviant may yield a different answer from comparing the fitness of a focal individual whether it behaves altruistically or not, when other individuals’ behavior is kept constant. They are different whenever fitness is dependent on the frequency of the allele in the total population. So there is no difference when considering only first-order effects of the form $\Delta p \sim W_{\text{IF}}p(1-p)$, but there is a difference when considering, for example, exact effects in the prisoner’s dilemma.

p.108 Eq. (7.1) follows from eq. (6.13) when the same fitness function $w_j \equiv w$ applies in all demes.

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p. 116 The paragraph about the prisoner’s dilemma is quite confused, as some of the results holds only when there is no “dilemma” (i.e. $T > R > P > S$); further there are typos.

“In the non-iterated prisoner’s dilemma... when Tit For Tat (TFT)...” Well, TFT has not much meaning in the non-iterated game. Certainly “cooperate” is actually altruistic in this case. “In the iterated version of the dilemma, TFT may be cooperative...” This at least is correct. “Likewise, in the continuous version of the iterated dilemma, a slight increase in expression of TFT is not always selected against...” This is correct too, and refers in particular to the increase of enhanced TFT behavior when rare when the resident strategy is above the threshold given by eq. (5.21) when corrected as indicated above. “An intermediate level of expression of the TFT strategy may be convergence stable...” Of course not. An intermediate strategy might be convergence stable if $\pi\rho - \sigma\tau < 0$. However, this does not occur in case of dilemma ($T > R > P > S$). “This level may increase in subdivided populations...” The threshold level may decrease in subdivided populations. (31/10/2005)

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p. 118–119 When the alternative is between helping kin or not helping, kin recognition is selected for if helping is an altruistic behavior. If it’s cooperative, kin recognition is not selected because it’s beneficial to the actor to help non-kin rather than not to help. In this respect, it is notable that in long-tailed tits, failed breeders may choose between not helping, helping close kin, or helping non-close kin, and that many choose not to help. When the alternative is

between helping some neighbors rather than other ones, kin recognition may be selected even if helping is cooperative relative to not helping. Seychelles warblers were suggested as an example but the case is more complicated. In this species, female subordinates may have direct benefits as parents, but they will also help if they are non-parents, provided they are related to the primary female (Richardson et al. 2003). This suggests that helping is cooperative when helpers are parents, and altruistic when they are not parents.

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p.124 below eq. (7.19): This is $\sum_k \sum_l m_k m_{k-l} Q_{l-j}^R = Q_{-j}^D / \gamma$. Next $Q_0^R = Q_0^D + (1 - Q_0^D) / N$ and $Q_k^R = Q_k^D$.

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p. 140 Relatedness for juvenile control of the trait: obligate outcrossing is assumed (as for maternal control, p.138), but the life cycle is otherwise not clearly specified. The formula for identity among sibs assumes that each deme holds N monogamous pairs, but for consistency, there should be $N/2$ pairs.

Alternatively, we could have assumed a polygynous life cycle with random selfing, where the identity of a random juvenile in the deme to the focal lineage is $Q_0^R = [(1 + Q_w) / 2 + (N - 1) Q_0] / N$. Relatedness is then $2Q_0^R / [N(1 + Q_w)]$ which, from eq. (8.16), has the same value as in a haploid model with N individuals. In this case, the candidate ESS in the diploid model with juvenile control is the same as in the haploid model, with N adults in both cases, but it again differs from the candidate ESS for maternal control. (18/04/2005)

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p. 147 To match the sentence, eq. (9.9) should be

$$\frac{1}{N_e} \equiv \frac{1}{n_d} \lim_{n_d \rightarrow \infty} n_d \frac{\text{Var}(\bar{p}' | \bar{p})}{\bar{p}(1 - \bar{p})}. \quad (5)$$

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p. 160–161 In text below (9.42) and in eq. (9.44), replace $1 - \lambda_1$ by λ_1 .

p. 177 Eq. (10.6) gives the inverse of the harmonic mean size, not the harmonic size.

p. 213. Eq. (12.10) should be

$$\hat{f}(\mathbf{N}', \mathbf{N}) \equiv \frac{f(\mathbf{N}') p(\mathbf{N} | \mathbf{N}')}{\hat{p}(\mathbf{N} | \mathbf{N}')} \quad (6)$$

p. 217–218. \bar{x} should be \bar{v} .

p. 219 Eq. A.12: For consistency, the diagonal elements should be ℓ_1, ℓ_2 , not l_1, l_2 .

p. 223 above eq. (A.22): delete “so that it is element 11 of the same vector $\sum_{ij} \ell_{ij}^t a_{ij} (\delta_{22}) \mathbf{e}_{ij}$ ”

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