

# Stationary solutions of selection mutation equations

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$u(x, t)$  density of individuals with respect to some **evolutionary trait**  $x$ .

Individuals are characterized by their type  $x$ , where  $x \in \Omega$  (space of all admissible types)  $\Omega = \mathbb{R}$  or  $\Omega = [0, 1]$  or  $\Omega = \mathbb{R}^n$  (for instance).

$u(x, t) \geq 0$ ,  $u(x, t)$  integrable with respect to  $x$  for any fixed  $t$  ( $\int_{\Omega} u(x, t) dx = \text{Total population}$ ).

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Incorporated as a linear operator which must model the diffusive effect on the trait space of inaccurate replication.

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- Integral operator with a kernel  $\beta(x, y)$  representing the density of probability that an individual with trait  $y$  has offspring with trait  $x$ .

## Example

**One parameter family competing for a limited amount of resources (Calsina, Perelló)**

$$\begin{cases} u_t = \left(x - \int_0^1 u\right)u + au_{xx} & x \in (0, 1), \\ u(x, 0) = u_0(x), \\ u(0, t) = u(1, t) = 0. \end{cases}$$

$u(x, t)$  : density of population at time  $t$  of individuals with  $x \in [0, 1]$ ,

$x$  : population's rate of growth without restriction (total growth rate decreased by total population because they share limited resources),

$au_{xx}$  : diffusion that represents the mutation.



## Example : A model for the maturation age I (Calsina, C.)

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$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} u_t(x, t) = \int_0^\infty b(y)\beta_\varepsilon(x, y)v(y, t)dy \\ \quad - m_1 \left( \int_0^\infty u(y, t)dy \right) u(x, t) - xu(x, t), \\ v_t(x, t) = xu(x, t) - m_2 \left( \int_0^\infty v(y, t)dy \right) v(x, t). \end{array} \right.$$

$x = \frac{1}{T}$ ,  $b(x)$  trait specific fertility,  $m_i$  mortality rates,

$\beta_\varepsilon(x, y)$  is the density of probability that the trait of the offspring of an individual with trait  $y$  is  $x$ ,

$(\int_0^\infty \beta_\varepsilon(x, y)dx = 1)$ ,

$\text{supp}\beta_\varepsilon(\cdot, y)$  contains the interval  $(\max(0, y - \delta), y + \delta)$ ,  
 $\varepsilon$  (maximum) size of the mutation.

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$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} u_t(x, t) = (1 - \varepsilon)b(x)v(x, t) \\ \quad + \varepsilon \int_0^\infty b(y)\gamma(x, y)v(y, t)dy \\ \quad - m_1 \left( \int_0^\infty u(y, t)dy \right) u(x, t) - xu(x, t), \\ v_t(x, t) = xu(x, t) - m_2 \left( \int_0^\infty v(y, t)dy \right) v(x, t). \end{array} \right.$$

$\varepsilon$  stands for the probability of mutation,

$\gamma(x, y)$  is the density of probability that the trait of the mutant offspring of an individual with trait  $y$  is  $x$ .

## Example: Predator prey model (Calsina, C.)

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} f'(t) = \left( a - \mu f(t) - \int_0^\infty \frac{\beta(x)u(x,t)}{1 + \beta(x)hf(t)} dx \right) f(t), \\ \frac{\partial u(x,t)}{\partial t} = -d(x)u(x,t) + (1 - \varepsilon) \frac{\alpha\beta(x)f(t)u(x,t)}{1 + \beta(x)hf(t)} \\ \quad + \varepsilon \int_0^\infty \gamma(x,y) \frac{\alpha\beta(y)f(t)u(y,t)}{1 + \beta(y)hf(t)} dy, \end{array} \right.$$

$a$  and  $\mu$  intrinsic growth rate and competition coefficient of the prey population,  $\beta(x)$  searching efficiency,  $x$  index of activity of the predator population,  $d(x)$  mortality rate of the predator population.

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An ESS is stable against the invasion of mutants but not necessarily an evolutionary attractor (not necessarily a limiting value of a sequence of strategies driven by natural selection).

## Evolutionary dynamics

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Mathematical formulation of the ESS concept for systems of the form

$$\vec{u}_t = A(\vec{u}, x)\vec{u}$$

where  $\vec{u}$  denotes the resident population,  $x$  is a parameter denoting the strategy of the population and  $A(\vec{u}, x)$  is a linear operator. We assume that the system has a unique attractor which is a **hyperbolic non trivial equilibrium point**

$\vec{u}_x$ .

## Evolutionary dynamics

Small **mutant population**,  $\vec{u}^i$ , with strategy  $y$ .  
System for the couple of populations

$$\begin{cases} \vec{u}_t = A(\vec{u}, \vec{u}^i, x)\vec{u}, \\ \vec{u}_t^i = A(\vec{u}, \vec{u}^i, y)\vec{u}^i, \end{cases} \quad (0)$$

where  $\forall \vec{u}, x \quad A(\vec{u}, 0, x) = A(\vec{u}, x)$ .

The value  $x$  of the strategy is an ESS if the equilibrium point  $(\vec{u}_x, \vec{0})$  is **hyperbolic** and **asymptotically stable** for this system for any  $y \neq x$ .

## Equilibria

Selection mutation equations can be written in a (rather) general way

$$\vec{u}_t = A_\varepsilon(F(\vec{u}))\vec{u}$$

where  $F : L^1(I, \mathbb{R}^n) \longrightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$  (linear and continuous).

For fixed  $E$ ,  $A_\varepsilon(E)$  infinitesimal generator of a positive semigroup.

Let us assume that  $A_\varepsilon(E)$  has a dominant eigenvalue  $\lambda_\varepsilon(E)(= s(A_\varepsilon(E)))$  with a normalized (positive) eigenvector  $\vec{u}_{\varepsilon,E}(x)$ . Moreover, we assume that  $\vec{u}_{\varepsilon,E}(x)$  is the only positive eigenvector of  $A_\varepsilon(E)$ .

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Eigenvalue problem + Fixed point problem.



## Equilibria

Let us assume that, for every (sufficiently small)  $\varepsilon > 0$  there exists an equilibrium solution  $\vec{u}_\varepsilon := c_\varepsilon \vec{u}_{\varepsilon, E_\varepsilon}$  of the nonlinear equation  $\vec{u}_t = A_\varepsilon(F(\vec{u}))\vec{u}$ .

How does this steady state behave when  $\varepsilon \rightarrow 0$ ?

## Equilibria

Let us consider, for fixed  $x$ , the  $n$ -dimensional ordinary differential equations system

$$\vec{v}_t = A_0(x, G(x, \vec{v}))\vec{v} \quad (1)$$

where  $G(x, \cdot)$  is a linear function from  $\mathbb{R}^n$  to  $\mathbb{R}^m$ ,  $(G(x, \vec{v}) = F(\vec{v}\delta_x))$ ,  $x \in I$  is a real parameter and  $A_0(x, E)$  is a  $n \times n$  matrix. Let  $\hat{x}$  denote the value of ESS of this system.

## Equilibria

Then the family of equilibria  $\vec{u}_\varepsilon$  satisfies

$$\vec{u}_\varepsilon \xrightarrow{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0} \vec{v}_{\hat{x}} \delta_{\hat{x}}$$

in the weak star topology (of  $L^1(I, \mathbb{R}^n)$ ) where  $\vec{v}_{\hat{x}}$  is the positive equilibrium of the system

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for  $x = \hat{x}$  (ESS value).

Moreover  $\int_0^\infty u_\varepsilon^i(x) dx \xrightarrow{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0} v_{\hat{x}}^i, i = 1 \dots n.$

## Equilibria

Under reasonable hypotheses,

$$\vec{u}_t = A_\varepsilon(F(\vec{u}))\vec{u}$$

has a family of equilibria  $\vec{u}_\varepsilon$  that tend to **concentrate at the ESS** of the finite dimensional "limit" system

$$\vec{v}_t = A_0(x, G(x, \vec{v}))\vec{v}$$

when  $\varepsilon$  tends to 0.

Moreover, the integral of  $\vec{u}_\varepsilon$  (the total population at equilibrium) tends to the equilibrium of the finite dimensional "limit" system for the value  $\hat{x}$  of the parameter.

## Stability

$$\vec{u}_t = A_\varepsilon(F(\vec{u}))\vec{u} \quad (2)$$

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Assumptions:

- For fixed  $E$ ,  $A_\varepsilon(E)$  generates an analytic positive semigroup.
- $A_\varepsilon(E)$  can be written as the sum of a constant (independent of  $E$ ) operator and a bounded linear operator depending smoothly on  $E$ .
- There exists a **positive equilibrium solution**  $\vec{u}_\varepsilon$  of (2).

## Stability

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Stability by the linear approximation  $\rightarrow$  If the spectrum of the linearization of  $\vec{u}_t = A_\varepsilon(F(\vec{u}))\vec{u}$  at the equilibrium point  $\vec{u}_\varepsilon$  lies in  $\{\text{Re}\lambda < \beta\}$  for some  $\beta < 0$  then  $\vec{u}_\varepsilon$  is uniformly asymptotically stable.

## Stability

Linearizing, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned}\vec{v}_t &= A_\varepsilon(E_\varepsilon)\vec{v} + DA_\varepsilon(E_\varepsilon)F(\vec{v})\vec{u}_\varepsilon \\ &=: \tilde{A}_\varepsilon\vec{v} + S_\varepsilon\vec{v}.\end{aligned}$$

$$E_\varepsilon := F(\vec{u}_\varepsilon),$$

$S_\varepsilon$  is a linear operator with **finite dimensional range**  
( $\leq m$ )

(generated by  $\{DA_\varepsilon(E_\varepsilon)e_i\vec{u}_\varepsilon\}_{i=1}^m$  where  $\{e_i\}_{i=1}^m$  is a basis of  $\mathbb{R}^m$ ).



## Stability

Computing the spectrum of the operator  $\tilde{A}_\varepsilon + S_\varepsilon$  we obtain

$$\sigma(\tilde{A}_\varepsilon + S_\varepsilon) \subset \sigma(\tilde{A}_\varepsilon) \cup \{\lambda : \det(\text{Id} + S_\varepsilon(\tilde{A}_\varepsilon - \lambda \text{Id})^{-1}) = 0\}.$$

where  $\det(\text{Id} + S_\varepsilon(\tilde{A}_\varepsilon - \lambda \text{Id})^{-1}) =: \omega_\varepsilon(\lambda)$

**Weinstein Aronszajn determinant** defined as

$$\det(\text{Id} + S_\varepsilon(\tilde{A}_\varepsilon - \lambda \text{Id})^{-1}) = \det\left(\left(\text{Id} + S_\varepsilon(\tilde{A}_\varepsilon - \lambda \text{Id})^{-1}\right)|_{R(S_\varepsilon)}\right).$$

where  $R(S_\varepsilon)$  denotes the range of the operator  $S_\varepsilon$

## Stability

$$\vec{v}_t = A_0(x, G(x, \vec{v}))\vec{v},$$

$\hat{x}$  ESS and  $\vec{v}_{\hat{x}}$  equilibrium (asymptotically stable).

Linearizing  $\vec{v}_t = A_0(\hat{x}, G(\hat{x}, \vec{v}))\vec{v}$

$$\vec{w}' = A_0(\hat{x}, E_0)\vec{w} + \left(\frac{\partial A_0}{\partial G}(\hat{x}, E_0)G(\hat{x}, \vec{w})\right)\vec{v}_{\hat{x}}$$

$$=: \tilde{A}_0\vec{w} + S_0\vec{w}.$$

where  $E_0 := G(\hat{x}, \vec{v}_{\hat{x}})$ .

$$\omega_0(\lambda) := \det(\text{Id} + S_0(\tilde{A}_0 - \lambda\text{Id})^{-1}).$$

## Stability

$\omega_0(\lambda)$  is holomorphic for  $\lambda \notin \sigma(\tilde{A}_0)$ .

If 0 is a dominant eigenvalue of  $\tilde{A}_0$  then  $\omega_0(\lambda)$  is holomorphic for  $\lambda$  such that  $\operatorname{Re} \lambda \geq 0$ ,  $\lambda \neq 0$ .

As we assume that the equilibrium point  $\vec{v}_{\hat{x}}$  is hyperbolic and asymptotically stable,  $\omega_0(\lambda)$  does not vanish for  $\lambda$  such that  $\operatorname{Re} \lambda \geq 0$ ,  $\lambda \neq 0$ .

For  $\varepsilon$  small enough, does  $\omega_\varepsilon(\lambda)$  have the same property?

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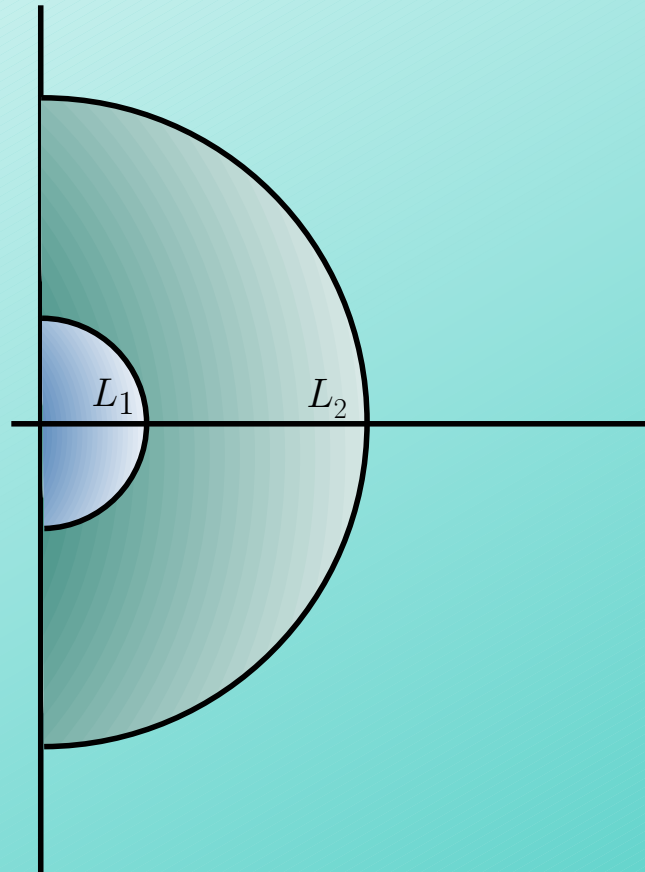
By **Rouche**'s theorem, if  $\omega_\varepsilon(\lambda) \xrightarrow{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0} \omega_0(\lambda)$  uniformly on  $\lambda$  in compact sets then  $\forall L_1 > 0 \exists \varepsilon$  small enough such that

$$\omega_\varepsilon(\lambda) \neq 0$$

for  $\lambda \in \{\lambda \in \mathbb{C} \text{ s.t. } \operatorname{Re}\lambda \geq 0, 0 < L_1 \leq |\lambda| \leq L_2\}$ .

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Case  $F$  one dimensional ( $F : L^1(I, \mathbb{R}^n) \longrightarrow \mathbb{R}$ )  
(Weinstein-Aronszajn formula).