# Who laughs last? perturbation theory of games 

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- dynamics, question
- perturbation method: two key aspects
- simplest case: well mixed $2 * 2$
- further examples: $n$ strategies, structured populations
- general results
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## Cooperation

humans, bacteria, trees, slime molds, ...


Foster '04


Social amoeba fruiting bodies
prisoner's dilemma
$\mathcal{C} \quad \mathcal{D}$
${ }_{\mathcal{D}}^{\mathcal{D}}\left(\begin{array}{ll}10 & 1 \\ 11 & 2\end{array}\right)$.
defectors win!

## Evolutionary Dynamics

Moran process, N players


$$
t_{1}^{+}=t_{N-1}^{-}
$$

## What is the question?

Two strategies: A and B : Which one is better?
John Forbes Nash, John Maynard Smith
fixation probabilities ...


Or: Which outnumbers the other in the long run? with two way mutation $u$
$\langle x\rangle>1 / 2 \quad u \rightarrow 0$
Kandori '93
fixation probabilities
$\rho_{A}>\rho_{B}$
general $u$



## Perturbation method: 2 key points



Wright-Fisher
$u$ mutation probability

$\Delta x^{\mathrm{tot}}=\Delta x^{\mathrm{sel}}-\frac{u}{2}\left(x+\Delta x^{\mathrm{sel}}\right)+\frac{u}{2}\left(1-x-\Delta x^{\mathrm{sel}}\right)$
$\langle x\rangle=\frac{1}{2}+\frac{1-u}{u}\left\langle\Delta x^{\mathrm{sel}}\right\rangle$

$$
\langle x\rangle>\frac{1}{2} \Longleftrightarrow\left\langle\Delta x^{\mathrm{sel}}\right\rangle>0
$$

## Perturbation method: 2 key points

$$
\begin{aligned}
& \text { when playing agoinst } \\
& \text { Payoff }=1+\delta \times \text { payoff of } \mathrm{A} \begin{array}{|lll}
\mathrm{a}_{11} & \mathrm{a}_{12} & x
\end{array} \text { frequency of } \mathrm{A} \\
& \text { Payoff }=1+\delta \times \text { payoffof } \begin{array}{l}
\text { B } \\
\mathrm{a}_{21}
\end{array} \mathrm{a}_{22} \quad \delta \text { selection strength } \\
& u \text { mutation probability } \\
& \langle x\rangle>\frac{1}{2} \Longleftrightarrow\left\langle\Delta x^{\text {sel }}\right\rangle>0
\end{aligned}
$$

Easy perturbation method for small $\delta$

$$
\langle\Delta x\rangle=\sum \Delta x_{i} \pi_{i} \quad \begin{aligned}
& \Delta x_{i}=0+\delta \Delta x_{i}^{(1)} \\
& \pi_{i}=\pi_{i}^{(0)}+\delta \pi_{i}^{(1)}
\end{aligned}
$$

$\langle\Delta x\rangle=\delta \sum \Delta x_{i}^{(1)} \pi_{i}^{(0)}+\mathcal{O}\left(\delta^{2}\right)$

## Simplest example

$\left(\begin{array}{cc}1 & S \\ T & 0\end{array}\right)$ well-mixed
payoffs: $f_{A}=1+\delta[X-1+S(N-X)]$

$$
\begin{aligned}
& f_{B}=1+\delta(X T+0) \\
& \Delta x^{\mathrm{sel}}=\delta N\left[\left(x^{3}-x^{2}\right)(1-S-T)+\left(x-x^{2}\right)(S-1 / N)\right]
\end{aligned}
$$

average in the neutral stationary state $\quad\langle\Delta x\rangle=\delta \sum \Delta x_{i}^{(1)} \pi_{i}^{(0)}+\mathcal{O}\left(\delta^{2}\right)$


Correlations from coalescent

$$
\frac{\langle x\rangle-\left\langle x^{2}\right\rangle}{\left\langle x^{2}\right\rangle-\left\langle x^{3}\right\rangle}=2
$$

$$
\langle x\rangle=\frac{1}{2} \quad\left\langle x^{2}\right\rangle=\frac{1}{2} \operatorname{Pr}\left(S_{k}=S_{l}\right) \quad\left\langle x^{3}\right\rangle=\frac{1}{2} \operatorname{Pr}\left(S_{k}=S_{l}=S_{q}\right)
$$


n strategies: when is k better than average?

$$
\left(\begin{array}{cccc}
a_{11} & a_{12} & \cdots & a_{1 n} \\
\vdots & & & \vdots \\
a_{n 1} & \cdots & \cdots & a_{n n}
\end{array}\right)
$$

Low mutation

$$
\begin{aligned}
L_{k}= & \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^{n}\left(a_{k k}+a_{k i}-a_{i k}-a_{i i}\right)>0 \\
& n=2: a_{11}+a_{12}>a_{21}+a_{22}
\end{aligned}
$$

High mutation

$$
H_{k}=\frac{1}{n^{2}} \sum_{i=1}^{n} \sum_{j=1}^{n}\left(a_{k j}-a_{i j}\right)>0
$$

Arbitrary mutation

$$
L_{k}+N u H_{k}>0
$$

## Example I




## Example 2

Defectors beat Cooperators $\quad \begin{gathered}\mathcal{C} \\ \mathcal{D}\end{gathered}\left(\begin{array}{ll}10 & 1 \\ 11 & 2\end{array}\right)$.
since $\quad a_{11}+a_{12}<a_{21}+a_{22}$
$\begin{array}{ll} & \\ \text { But lets add Loners } & \mathcal{C}\left(\begin{array}{ccc}\mathcal{C} & \mathcal{D} & \mathcal{L} \\ 10 & 1 & 0 \\ 11 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0\end{array}\right)\end{array}$

$$
\mathcal{C} \quad \mathcal{D}
$$

$L_{\mathcal{C}}=\frac{8}{3}$,
$L_{\mathcal{D}}=\frac{4}{3}$,
$L_{\mathcal{L}}=-4$
C win
$H_{\mathcal{C}}=1, \quad H_{\mathcal{D}}=\frac{5}{3}, \quad H_{\mathcal{L}}=-\frac{8}{3}$
D win

General, $\mathbf{C}$ win for $\mu<\mu^{*} \equiv 1$

## Example 3

## m round Prisoner's dilemma

AllC AllD TFT
AllC
AllD
$\operatorname{TFT}$$\left(\begin{array}{ccc}(b-c) m & -c m & (b-c) m \\ b m & 0 & b \\ (b-c) m & -c & (b-c) m\end{array}\right)$
(a) Low mutation rates

(b) High mutation rates


## Islands: simplest structured population



$$
\begin{aligned}
& y=\operatorname{Pr}\left(S_{k}=S_{q}\right) \\
& z=\operatorname{Pr}\left(X_{k}=X_{q}\right) \\
& g=\operatorname{Pr}\left(S_{k}=S_{q}, X_{k}=X_{q}\right) \\
& h=\operatorname{Pr}\left(S_{l}=S_{k}, \quad X_{k}=X_{q}\right)
\end{aligned}
$$

$u$ strategy mutation
$\beta$ position mutation

$$
\begin{gathered}
\mathrm{C} \\
\mathrm{D}\left(\begin{array}{cc}
\mathrm{C} & \mathrm{D} \\
b & -c \\
b & 0
\end{array}\right)
\end{gathered}
$$

$$
z=\operatorname{Pr}\left(X_{k}=X_{q}\right) \quad S_{k} \quad \text { strategy }
$$

$$
g=\operatorname{Pr}\left(S_{k}=S_{q}, X_{k}=X_{q}\right) \quad X_{k} \quad \text { position }
$$

$$
\left(\frac{b}{c}\right)^{*}=\frac{z-h}{g-h}
$$

$M=2$ islands


$$
\left(\frac{b}{c}\right)^{*}=\frac{M+r+2+\mu}{M-1}+\frac{M(1+\mu)}{(M-1)(2+\mu)}\left[\frac{3+\mu}{r}-\frac{1}{r+2+\mu}\right]
$$

$$
\begin{aligned}
\mu & =2 N u \\
r & =2 N \beta
\end{aligned}
$$

island size dependence $(\mu=0)$


## Evolution in phenotype space



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disperse or condense?






$$
\begin{aligned}
\mu & =2 N u \\
r & =2 N \beta
\end{aligned}
$$

$$
\left.\begin{array}{l}
\quad \text { Coop } \\
\text { Coop } \\
\text { Def } \\
\text { Def } \\
1 \\
\hat{S} \\
\hat{T}
\end{array}\right) \quad \text { 人 } \quad \hat{T}<\hat{S}+1+\sqrt{3}
$$




One parameter to rule them all

A wins iff $\quad \sigma a+b>c+\sigma d$
single parameter for all structures payof of ${ }_{\mathrm{B}}^{\mathrm{A}}\left(\begin{array}{ll}a & b \\ c & d\end{array}\right)$
classical well mixed $\sigma=1$

$$
a+b>c+d \quad \text { (risk dominance) } \quad \text { or } \sigma=1-2 / N
$$

phenotype game $\sigma=1+\sqrt{3}$

## when playing against

$$
\text { payoff of } \begin{array}{cc}
\mathrm{A} & \mathrm{~B} \\
\mathrm{~B}
\end{array}\left(\begin{array}{ll}
a & b \\
c & d
\end{array}\right)
$$

\# strategies \# parameters

$$
\begin{array}{r}
2 \\
\geq 3
\end{array}
$$

Relations to relatedness

$$
\text { A wins iff } \quad \frac{b}{c}>\frac{1}{R} \quad \text { (Hamilton's rule) }
$$

same size islands

$$
R=\frac{\operatorname{Pr}\left(S_{k}=S_{q} \mid X_{k}=X_{q}\right)-\operatorname{Pr}\left(S_{k}=S_{q}\right)}{1-\operatorname{Pr}\left(S_{k}=S_{q}\right)}
$$

fluctuating size islands,
phenotype walk

$$
\left(\frac{b}{c}\right)^{*}=\frac{z-h}{g-h} \quad R=\frac{\operatorname{Pr}\left(S_{k}=S_{q} \mid X_{k}=X_{q}\right)-\operatorname{Pr}\left(S_{l}=S_{k} \mid X_{k}=X_{q}\right)}{1-\operatorname{Pr}\left(S_{l}=S_{k} \mid X_{k}=X_{q}\right)}
$$

TA '09, Taylor 'IO
sets, more general

## structures

no relatedness interpretation of our general formulas

## Final slide

general method to study weak selection

TA, Ohtsuki, Wakeley, Taylor, Nowak, PNAS '09
papers can be found on my website
thanks

