

Infinite Alleles/Sites Model

- ❖ what is the expected level of genetic diversity (heterozygosity) given mutation and drift in a finite population?
- ❖ suppose a gene is 900 base pairs long, coding for 300 amino acids
 - ❖ there are $4^{900} = 10^{542}$ possible sequences (sorta...)
- ❖ thus, we can reasonably assume that each new mutation generates a unique allele...

Infinite Alleles/Sites Model

- ❖ it follows that alleles with the same sequence are identical by descent
- ❖ autozygous - a genotype with two alleles that are identical by descent
- ❖ allozygous - a genotype with alleles that are not identical by descent (is this possible?)
 - ❖ arbitrarily declare all alleles unique at $t = 0$
- ❖ autozygous = homozygous under the infinite alleles model
 - ❖ thus, the level of heterozygosity can be predicted from the expected level of autozygosity

Infinite Alleles/Sites Model

❖ F_t = probability that two randomly chosen alleles are *IBD*

❖ same as autozygosity if we randomly choose alleles to form genotypes

$$F_t = \left(\frac{1}{2N}\right)(1-\mu)^2 + \left(1 - \frac{1}{2N}\right)(1-\mu)^2 F_{t-1}$$

❖ in this model, mutations generate new alleles and “erase” *IBD*

Infinite Alleles Model

❖ in a random-breeding population of constant size, an equilibrium is reached where the increase in autozygosity (\sim *IBD*) due to loss of alleles by drift is exactly countered by the increase in heterozygosity produced by new mutations

❖ solving for $F_t = F_{t-1}$ yields:

$$\hat{F} = \frac{1}{1 + 4N\mu}$$

Infinite Alleles Model

$$\hat{F} = \frac{1}{1 + 4N\mu} = \frac{1}{1 + 4N_e\mu} = \frac{1}{1 + \theta}$$

❖ given the assumption of infinite alleles, any genotype that is not autozygous is heterozygous, so

$$\hat{H} = 1 - \hat{F} = \frac{4N_e\mu}{1 + 4N_e\mu} = \frac{\theta}{1 + \theta}$$

Neutral Expectations for Genetic Diversity

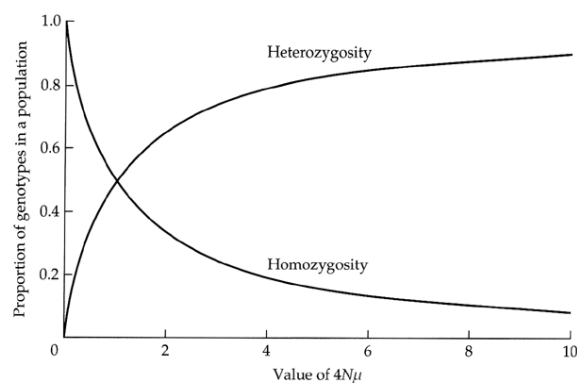


FIGURE 4.7 Plot of average homozygosity and average heterozygosity for the infinite-alleles model. Intermediate values of heterozygosity are maintained over only a small range of $\theta = 4N_e\mu$.

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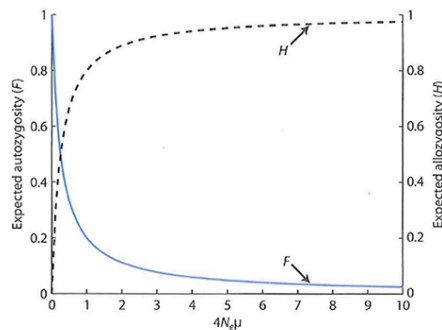


Figure 5.11 Expected homozygosity (F or autozygosity, solid line) and heterozygosity (H or allozygosity, dashed line) at equilibrium in a population where the processes of both genetic drift and mutation are operating. The chance that two alleles sampled randomly from the population are identical in state depends on the net balance of genetic drift working toward fixation of a single allele in the population and mutation changing existing alleles in the population to new states. A critical assumption is the infinite alleles model, which guarantees that each mutation results in a unique allele and thereby maximizes the allozygosity due to mutations.

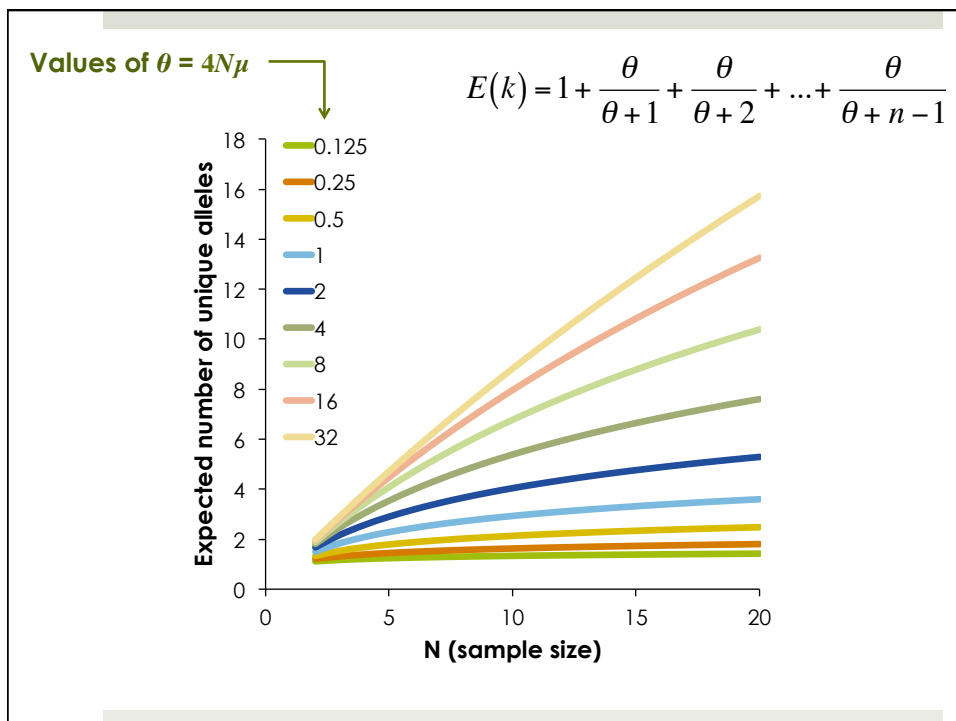
$$\hat{F} = \frac{1}{1 + 4N\mu}$$

- ❖ although an ideal population is expected to reach an “equilibrium” value of F , the population is not really *at equilibrium*, but rather in a “dynamic steady state” because there is a continual turnover of alleles
 - ❖ the most common allele is periodically replaced by another, other alleles are lost, and new alleles are produced by mutation

The Ewens Distribution

- ❖ beyond F , there is additional “information” available in the number of alleles present and the distribution of allele frequencies
 - ❖ “allelic configuration”
 - ❖ or “allele-frequency spectrum”
- ❖ Ewens (1972) - expected number of alleles k in a sample of size n , depends only on θ

$$E(k) = 1 + \frac{\theta}{\theta+1} + \frac{\theta}{\theta+2} + \dots + \frac{\theta}{\theta+n-1}$$



The Ewens Sampling Formula

- ❖ but there's more than just k (number of alleles)
- ❖ the Ewens Distribution specifies the probability distribution on the set of all **partitions** of the integer n
 - ❖ a.k.a. the "Chinese Restaurant" problem
 - ❖ broad applicability outside of population genetics

Partitions of 8

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|-----------------|---------------------------------|
| ❖ 8 | ❖ 4 + 1 + 1 + 1 + 1 |
| ❖ 7 + 1 | ❖ 3 + 3 + 2 |
| ❖ 6 + 2 | ❖ 3 + 3 + 1 + 1 |
| ❖ 6 + 1 + 1 | ❖ 3 + 2 + 2 + 1 |
| ❖ 5 + 3 | ❖ 3 + 2 + 1 + 1 + 1 |
| ❖ 5 + 2 + 1 | ❖ 3 + 1 + 1 + 1 + 1 + 1 |
| ❖ 5 + 1 + 1 + 1 | ❖ 2 + 2 + 2 + 2 |
| ❖ 4 + 4 | ❖ 2 + 2 + 2 + 1 + 1 |
| ❖ 4 + 3 + 1 | ❖ 2 + 2 + 1 + 1 + 1 + 1 |
| ❖ 4 + 2 + 2 | ❖ 2 + 1 + 1 + 1 + 1 + 1 + 1 |
| ❖ 4 + 2 + 1 + 1 | ❖ 1 + 1 + 1 + 1 + 1 + 1 + 1 + 1 |

Ewens' Sampling Formula (from Wikipedia!)

- ❖ Ewens' result provided the basis for a formula (Karlin & McGregor, 1972) giving the probability of a given allele frequency configuration (note: this is just one formulation)...

$$\Pr\{a_1, \dots, a_n\} = \frac{n!}{\theta(\theta+1) \dots (\theta+n-1)} \prod_{j=1}^n \frac{\theta^{a_j}}{j^{a_j} a_j!}$$

where a_1, \dots, a_n are counts of the number of alleles represented one, two, ..., n times in the sample. a_1, \dots, a_n are nonnegative integers that satisfy: $a_1 + 2a_2 + 3a_3 + \dots + na_n = n$

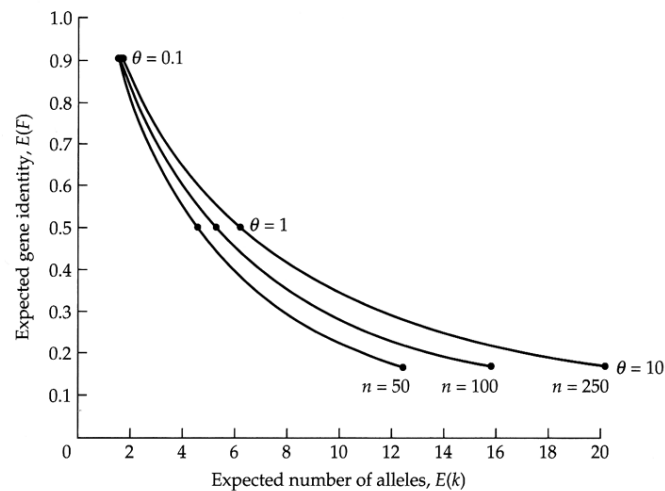
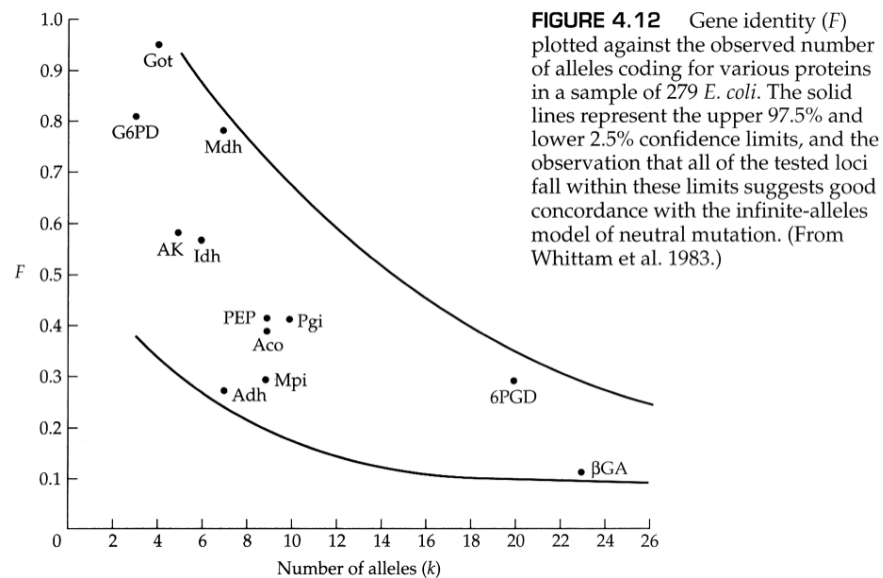


FIGURE 4.9 The infinite-alleles model prediction of the relation between the expected number of alleles $E(k)$ and the expected gene identity (homozygosity) F . The three curves represent a range of values of $\theta = 4N_e\mu$, starting at $\theta = 0.1$ in the upper left, and ending with $\theta = 10$ in the lower right. For the value of $\theta = 1$, the expected F , given by the relation $F = 1/(1 + \theta)$, is $\frac{1}{2}$, regardless of the sample size. Larger sample sizes always lead to larger expected numbers of alleles, but the difference is greater in more diverse populations (those with smaller F).

observed: 52+9+8+4+4+2+2+1+1+1+1+1+1+1

Ewens-Watterson Test

- ❖ Ewens-Watterson Test compares the allelic configuration of a sample to neutral expectations (generated with the Ewens sampling formula) using F (homozygosity as a test statistic)



Karlin & McGregor 1972

❖ this equation works too...

$$\Pr(\theta; n_1, n_2, \dots, n_k) = \frac{r!}{n_1 n_2 \dots n_k} \frac{1}{\alpha_1! \alpha_2! \dots \alpha_p!} \frac{\theta^k}{L_r(\theta)}$$

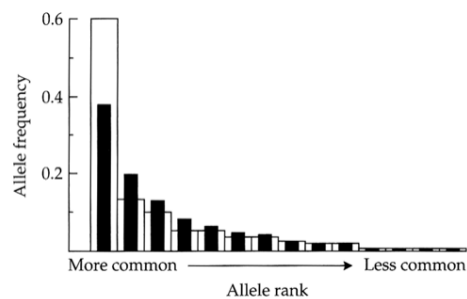
$$\text{where } L_r(\theta) = \theta(\theta + 1)(\theta + 1) \dots (\theta + r - 1)$$

Suppose the number of distinct integers in the set n_1, n_2, \dots, n_k is p and that there are exactly α_1 indices i such that $n_i = n_1$, exactly α_2 indices i such that $n_i = n_{\alpha_1+1}$, and so on, with exactly α_p indices i such that $n_i = n_k$.

Ewens' Sampling Formula

❖ key point: the Ewens distribution provides a basis for testing observed data against the neutral model

FIGURE 4.10 Observed (open columns) and expected (black bars) allele frequency spectrum of the *HRAS-1* gene in humans, identified by Southern blotting with the *pLM0.8* probe and *TaqI* digests. Observed data are from Baird et al. (1986). The expected distribution was generated using the Ewens sampling formula. In this sample of 490 genes there were 14 distinct alleles, four of which were present in just one individual. (From Clark 1988.)



Ewens' Sampling Formula

- ❖ *key point*: the Ewens distribution provides a basis for testing observed data against the neutral model
- ❖ and if the data fit neutral expectations, they can be used to estimate demographic and historical parameters

Neutral Expectations with...

- ❖ ...constant population size and mutation

nucleotide diversity

$$E(\Pi) = \theta = 4N\mu$$

segregating sites

$$E(S) = \theta \left(1 + \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{4} + \dots + \frac{1}{k-1} \right)$$

homozygosity

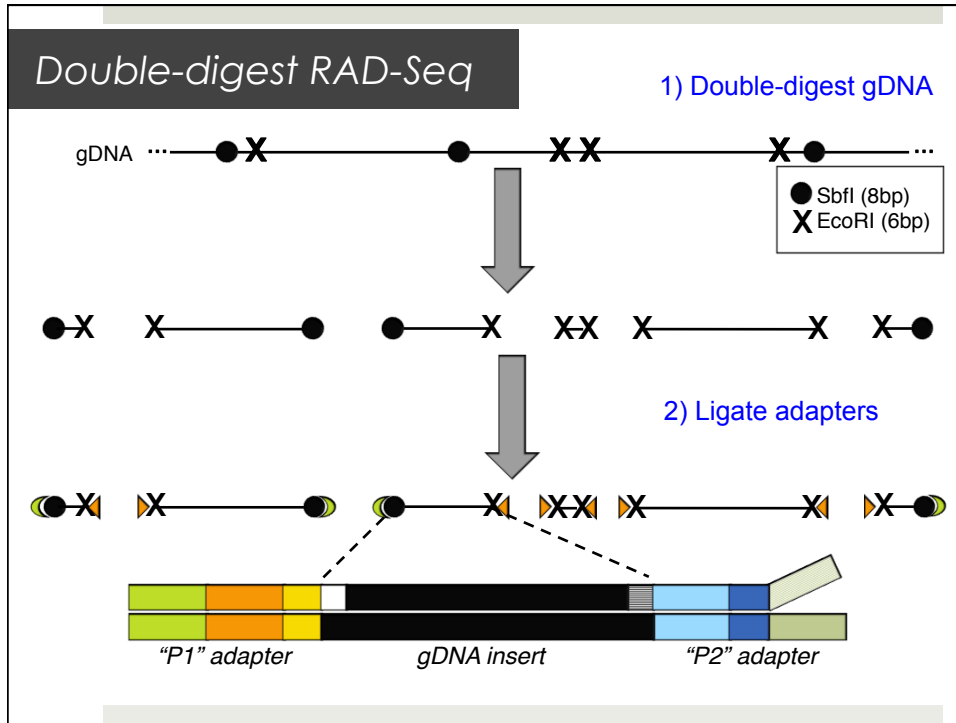
$$\hat{F} = \frac{1}{1 + 4N\mu}$$

unique alleles

$$E(k) = 1 + \frac{\theta}{\theta+1} + \frac{\theta}{\theta+2} + \dots + \frac{\theta}{\theta+n-1}$$

allele frequency distribution

$$\Pr\{a_1, \dots, a_n\} = \frac{n!}{\theta(\theta+1) \dots (\theta+n-1)} \prod_{j=1}^n \frac{\theta^{a_j}}{j^{a_j} a_j!}$$



ddRAD-Seq output

Cluster #	Cluster depth	BLAST result	Bases at SNPs	Allele #	
Clstr: 576	912	one chr5 4388283			
Variable sites: 26, 31, 37					
MDS001		CCTGCAGGTGAGCAGTGC...TTATAATGTGACGAGGAATAATTT...	GGT 0	40	40.40.40
MDS001		CCTGCAGGTGAGCAGTGC...TTATAATGTGACGAGGAATAATTT	GGT 0		
CNB253		CCTGCAGGTGAGCAGTGC...TTATAATGTGACGAGGAATAATTT	GGT 0	45	82.40.40.40
CNB253		CCTGCAGGTGAGCAGTGC...TTATAATGTGACGAGGAATAATTT	AAC 1	37	40.40.40
CNB276		CCTGCAGGTGAGCAGTGC...TTATAATGTGACGAGGAATAATTT	GGT 0	44	44.40.40.40
CNB276		CCTGCAGGTGAGCAGTGC...TTATAATGTGACGAGGAATAATTT	GGT 0		
MDS014		CCTGCAGGTGAGCAGTGC...TTATAATGTGACGAGGAATAATTT	AAT 2	16	30.40.40.40
MDS014		CCTGCAGGTGAGCAGTGC...TTATAATGTGACGAGGAATAATTT	GGT 0	12	40.40.40.40
MDS005		CCTGCAGGTGAGCAGTGC...TTATAATGTGACGAGGAATAATTT	GGT 0	40	40.40.40.40
MDS005		CCTGCAGGTGAGCAGTGC...TTATAATGTGACGAGGAATAATTT	GGT 0		
MDS006		CCTGCAGGTGAGCAGTGC...TTATAATGTGACGAGGAATAATTT	GGT 0	38	38.40.40.40
MDS006		CCTGCAGGTGAGCAGTGC...TTATAATGTGACGAGGAATAATTT	GGT 0		
MDS010		CCTGCAGGTGAGCAGTGC...TTATAATGTGACGAGGAATAATTT	GGT 0	55	55.40.40.40
MDS010		CCTGCAGGTGAGCAGTGC...TTATAATGTGACGAGGAATAATTT	GGT 0		
MDS011		CCTGCAGGTGAGCAGTGC...TTATAATGTGACGAGGAATAATTT	GGT 0	22	43.40.40.40
MDS011		CCTGCAGGTGAGCAGTGC...TTATAATGTGACGAGGAATAATTT	AAT 2	21	40.40.40.40
MDS016		CCTGCAGGTGAGCAGTGC...TTATAATGTGACGAGGAATAATTT	GGT 0	32	60.40.40.40
MDS016		CCTGCAGGTGAGCAGTGC...TTATAATGTGACGAGGAATAATTT	AAC 1	28	40.40.40.40
MDS019		CCTGCAGGTGAGCAGTGC...TTATAATGTGACGAGGAATAATTT	GGT 0	43	44.40.40.40
MDS019		CCTGCAGGTGAGCAGTGC...TTATAATGTGACGAGGAATAATTT	GGT 0		
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reads per allele # total reads highest quality at SNPs