

Clines in quantitative traits: The role of migration patterns and selection scenarios



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ABSTRACT

The existence, uniqueness, and shape of clines in a quantitative trait under selection toward a spatially varying optimum is studied. The focus is on deterministic diploid two-locus n -deme models subject to various migration patterns and selection scenarios. Migration patterns may exhibit isolation by distance, as in the stepping-stone model, or random dispersal, as in the island model. The phenotypic optimum may change abruptly in a single environmental step, more gradually, or not at all. Symmetry assumptions are imposed on phenotypic optima and migration rates. We study clines in the mean, variance, and linkage disequilibrium (LD). Clines result from polymorphic equilibria. The possible equilibrium configurations are determined as functions of the migration rate. Whereas for weak migration, many polymorphic equilibria may be simultaneously stable, their number decreases with increasing migration rate. Also for intermediate migration rates polymorphic equilibria are in general not unique, however, for loci of equal effects the corresponding clines in the mean, variance, and LD are unique. For sufficiently strong migration, no polymorphism is maintained. Both migration pattern and selection scenario exert strong influence on the existence and shape of clines. The results for discrete demes are compared with those from models in which space varies continuously and dispersal is modeled by diffusion. Comparisons with previous studies, which investigated clines under neutrality or under linkage equilibrium, are performed. If there is no long-distance migration, the environment does not change abruptly, and linkage is not very tight, populations are almost everywhere close to linkage equilibrium.

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1. Introduction

Strength and patterns of migration in a spatially structured population are important determinants of the degree of local adaptation and the genetic variation that can be maintained in a heterogeneous environment. If there is an environmental gradient, clines in the gene frequencies or in the mean or other characteristics of a quantitative trait may be established. Such clines have been an important topic of both empirical and theoretical research since the pioneering work of Haldane (1948). The existence and shape of clines depends on the strength and patterns of migration, the properties of spatially varying selection, and the underlying genetics. In this work we assume that genetic variation is maintained by selection and migration, and ignore mutation and random genetic drift.

For populations subdivided into discrete demes, migration is frequently modeled by an island or a stepping-stone model. The former assumes that outbreeding individuals disperse uniformly to all other demes, whereas the latter assumes that the probability of migration decreases with distance, i.e., there is isolation by distance. For populations occupying a continuous habitat, migration is usually approximated by diffusion. Diffusion models, as well as certain generalizations, are derived by assuming that large migration steps are unlikely in short time intervals and selection is weak (Nagylaki, 1975, 1989). Naturally, such models exhibit isolation by distance.

The large majority of previous theoretical investigations assumes that selection acts on a single diallelic locus. For discrete demes and numerous types of migration patterns and selection schemes, Karlin (1982) performed a comprehensive investigation on the maintenance of protected polymorphisms (corresponding to the existence of clines). Although his results show that more mixing (e.g., by a higher migration rate or by migration to more distant demes) tends to restrict the conditions for a protected polymorphism, he also gave examples where less mixing inhibits

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a polymorphism. We shall compare the propensity of frequently employed migration patterns in maintaining clines at two recombining loci. Reviews of the extensive literature on one-locus migration–selection models may be found in Lenormand (2002), Nagylaki and Lou (2008), and Bürger (2014).

Also for the diffusion model, as well as more general forms of dispersal in continuous space, a wealth of results about existence, uniqueness, and properties of polymorphic equilibria and clines in gene frequencies at a single locus has accumulated. This literature is reviewed by Nagylaki and Lou (2008) and Lou et al. (2013). The maintenance of a cline is facilitated by reducing the ratio of diffusion rate to selection intensity, and it is impeded if long-distance dispersal is incorporated into the diffusion model (Nagylaki, 2012, Su and Nagylaki, in press).

Due to its complexity, multilocus theory is much less developed. This holds both for models with discrete or continuous space. Most investigations make rather restrictive assumptions, such as absence of epistasis or of linkage disequilibrium (LD), or assume two demes. We relax these assumptions and, additionally, provide a comparison of multi-deme models with diffusion models. The available theory for discrete demes is reviewed in Bürger (2014). Multilocus or quantitative–genetic models with diffusion in a spatially varying environment have been studied by Slatkin (1975, 1978), Felsenstein (1977), Barton (1983, 1999), Kruuk et al. (1999), and Hu (2005).

In the present work we consider a quantitative trait that is subject to selection toward a phenotypic optimum in each location. The trait is determined by two diallelic, recombining loci. The diploid sexual population may be subdivided into a finite number n of demes or occupy a continuous domain. Mating is random in each location. The phenotypic optimum varies in space. If it is close to the middle of available phenotypes, the trait is under stabilizing selection; if it is close to or at an extreme phenotype, the trait is under directional selection. We impose selection scenarios that differ in the way the optimum changes across space. This change may be gradual, occur in several steps of moderate size, or abruptly in one big step such that there are only two different environments. Such selection scenarios have been discussed in the literature on hybrid zones (e.g., Barton, 1999, Kruuk et al., 1999, Kawakami and Butlin, 2012). Spatially uniform stabilizing selection is also investigated. We study the following migration patterns: (i) the island model in which migrating individuals reach every deme (island) with the same probability, (ii) stepping-stone models in which individuals migrate either only to next neighbors or to demes in the vicinity such that the probability decreases with distance, and (iii) a diffusion model for a population that inhabits a continuous bounded one-dimensional habitat.

Our main goal is to investigate how the conditions for the existence of polymorphic stationary solutions, or clines, and their properties (e.g., spatial shape) depend on the number of demes, the rate and pattern of migration, the selection scenario, and recombination. Most analysis is dedicated to models with a finite number of demes. However, an essential component will be the comparison of 12-deme models with diffusion models. To make useful comparisons between different patterns or scenarios, the equilibrium configurations and bifurcation patterns are described as functions of the migration rate. The important limiting cases of weak and of strong migration are treated in Section 3. For two demes and loci of equal effect an almost complete mathematical analysis is obtained (Section 4). It complements previous analyses assuming absence of epistasis (Akerman and Bürger, 2014a,b) or selection on haploids (Geroldinger and Bürger, 2014). The analysis of the two-deme case is not only an important guide to the, mainly numerical, analysis of models with a higher number of demes (Section 5), but also helps to establish analytical results for the island model.

We describe the spatial dependence of the distribution of the trait by its mean phenotype, its genetic variance, and the LD between loci. In Section 6, the properties and shapes of the corresponding clines are compared for the different migration patterns and selection scenarios. Section 7 is dedicated to the comparison of our results with those from previous multilocus analyses of neutral clines (Feldman and Christiansen, 1975; Christiansen, 1986) and analyses of multilocus or quantitative–genetic diffusion models, in particular those of Slatkin (1975, 1978), Felsenstein (1977), and Barton (1983, 1999). In Section 8, our main results are summarized and discussed.

2. Model

We study a deterministic migration–selection model in which a sexually reproducing, diploid population is subdivided into n demes connected by genotype-independent migration. It is assumed that the genotypic fitnesses are uniquely determined by the genotypic value G of a quantitative trait. We posit that in each deme $k \in \{1, \dots, n\}$, fitness is given by the quadratic function

$$w_k(G) = 1 - s(G - P_k)^2, \quad (2.1)$$

where the phenotypic optimum P_k depends on k , and $s > 0$ measures the strength of selection. It is assumed that s is sufficiently small such that $w_k(G) > 0$ on the range of genotypic values (also called phenotypes). If the optimum P_k is close to the middle of the phenotypic range, the trait is under stabilizing selection in deme k ; if it is close to the boundary, it is under directional selection.

The trait is determined additively by two diallelic loci, A and B , which recombine at rate $r > 0$. We assign the genotypic contributions $-c_1/2$, $c_1/2$, $-c_2/2$, and $c_2/2$ to the four alleles A , a , B , and b , respectively. The genotypic values of all 16 genotypes are obtained by adding all allelic contributions. Without loss of generality, we use a scale such that $c_1 + c_2 = 1$. Then the phenotypic range is $[-1, 1]$, the two double homozygotes AB/AB and ab/ab have the (extreme) phenotypes -1 and 1 , respectively, and all four double heterozygotes have phenotype 0 . We restrict the phenotypic optima to this range, i.e., we assume $-1 \leq P_k \leq 1$. Finally, we introduce the ratio of locus effects

$$\kappa = c_2/c_1. \quad (2.2)$$

Unless mentioned otherwise we assume $\kappa = 1$, i.e., $c_1 = c_2$.

The frequencies of the four gametes, AB , Ab , aB , ab , in deme k are designated $x_{1,k}$, $x_{2,k}$, $x_{3,k}$, $x_{4,k}$, respectively. The fitness of zygotes consisting of gametes i and j in deme k is $w_{ij,k} = w_k(G_{ij})$, where G_{ij} is the genotypic value. The mean fitness in deme k is given by $\bar{w}_k = \sum_{i=1}^4 w_{i,k} x_{i,k}$, where $w_{i,k} = \sum_{j=1}^4 w_{ij,k} x_{j,k}$ denotes the marginal fitness of haplotype i in deme k .

We assume equivalent sexes, random mating within demes, and that population regulation occurs within each deme (soft selection). We denote linkage disequilibrium in deme k by $D_k = x_{1,k}x_{4,k} - x_{2,k}x_{3,k}$. Then the change of gamete frequencies in deme k due to selection and recombination is

$$x_{i,k}^{(s)} = x_{i,k} \frac{w_{i,k}}{\bar{w}_k} - \eta_i r D_k^{(s)}, \quad (2.3a)$$

where $\eta_1 = \eta_4 = 1$, $\eta_2 = \eta_3 = -1$, and

$$D_k^{(s)} = \frac{w_{14,k}}{\bar{w}_k} D_k \quad (2.3b)$$

denotes LD after selection.

Let $\mathcal{M} = (m_{kl})$ denote the backward-migration matrix, i.e., m_{kl} denotes the probability that an individual in deme k immigrated from deme l . After migration random mating and reproduction occur within demes. Therefore, the frequency $x'_{i,k}$ of the i th gamete

Table 1

Glossary of symbols. We define the symbols in the main text that occur in more than one paragraph. Roman and Greek letters are listed separately. Uppercase letters precede lower case ones and listing is in order of appearance in the text. The references are to the position of first appearance in the text. Reference (2.1)–, refers to the text above Eq. (2.1), whereas (2.1)+refers to the text below Eq. (2.1).

Symbol	Reference	Definition
\mathcal{A}	(2.1)+	First locus
A	(2.1)+	First allele at locus \mathcal{A}
a	(2.1)+	Second allele at locus \mathcal{A}
\mathcal{B}	(2.1)+	Second locus
B	(2.1)+	First allele at locus \mathcal{B}
b	(2.1)+	Second allele at locus \mathcal{B}
c_1	(2.1)+	Substitution effect at \mathcal{A}
c_2	(2.1)+	Substitution effect at \mathcal{B}
D_k	(2.3a)–	Linkage disequilibrium in deme k
$E_k^{A,*}, E_k^{B,*}$	(3.1)	SLPs in deme k for $m = 0$, where $* \in \{0, 1\}$
F_k	(3.1)+	Internal equilibrium in deme k for $m = 0$
G	(2.1)–	Genotypic value of the trait
\bar{G}_k	(5.6)+	Genotypic mean in deme k
$I_m(G)$	(3.3)+	Weak-migration perturbation of the equilibrium G
ψ^j	(4.2)–	Internal equilibria ($0 \leq j \leq 5$)
\mathcal{I}	(5.1)–	Migration matrix of the island model
\mathcal{M}	(2.3c)–	Backward-migration matrix
M_k^i	(3.1)–	Equilibrium in deme k corresponding to fixation of gamete i
m_{kl}	(2.3c)–	Probability that an individual in deme k immigrated from deme l
m	(3.2)	Migration rate
m_{\max}	(4.9)	Maximum migration rate below which a stable polymorphic equilibrium can occur
$m_{st}(G)$	(4.1)–	Migration rate at which the equilibrium G gets stable for $n = 2$
$m_{un}(G)$	(4.1)–	Migration rate at which the equilibrium G gets unstable for $n = 2$
$m_{ad}(G)$	(4.1)–	Migration rate at which the equilibrium G gets admissible for $n = 2$
$m_{na}(G)$	(4.1)–	Migration rate at which the equilibrium G loses admissibility for $n = 2$
\bar{m}	(5.2)	Rescaled migration rate
$m_*^{X,\mathcal{M}}(G)$	(5.8)+	Migration rate at which the state of G changes, where $* \in \{st, un, ad, na\}$. X indicates the selection scenario and \mathcal{M} the migration matrix
N_i	(3.4)	Partitions of the set of demes $\{1, \dots, n\}$
n	(2.1)–	Number of demes
P_k	(2.1)	Phenotypic optimum in deme k
P	(4.1)–	Phenotypic optimum for two environments ($P = -P_1 = P_2$)
P_c	(4.5)–	Critical value for P for $n = 2$
p_k	(2.4)+	Frequency of allele A in deme k
q_k	(2.4)+	Frequency of allele B in deme k
r	(2.1)+	Recombination rate
S_4	(2.4)	Simplex
\mathcal{S}	(5.3)–	Migration matrix of the stepping-stone model
\mathcal{S}_2	(5.3)+	Migration matrix of the generalized stepping-stone model
s	(2.1)	Selection intensity
\bar{s}	(5.16)–	Rescaled selection intensity
t	(7.4a)	Time
$w_k(G)$	(2.1)	Fitness of genotypic value G in deme k
$w_{ij,k}$	(2.2)+	Fitness of genotype ij in deme k
$w_{i,k}$	(2.2)+	Fitness of gamete i in deme k
\bar{w}_k	(2.2)+	Mean fitness in deme k
V_k	(5.6)+	Phenotypic variance in deme k
V_T	(6.2)+	Phenotypic variance in the entire population
$x_{i,k}$	(2.2)+	Frequency of gamete i in deme k
x_k	(2.5)+	Vector of gamete frequencies in deme k
y	(7.4a)	Spatial variable in a continuous domain
κ	(2.2)	Ratio of locus effects
η_i	(2.3a)	Constants
σ^2	(7.4a)	Diffusion rate in a continuous domain
(s)	(2.3a)	Indicates haplotype (or gene) frequencies after selection and recombination
$'$	(2.3c)	Indicates haplotype (or gene) frequencies in the next generation
\wedge	(3.1)+	Indicates an equilibrium value

in deme k in the next generation is:

$$x'_{i,k} = \sum_{l=1}^n m_{kl} x_{i,l}^{(s)}. \quad (2.3c)$$

Eqs. (2.3) define a discrete dynamical system on the n -fold Euclidean product S_4^n of the simplex

$$S_4 = \left\{ (\xi_1, \xi_2, \xi_3, \xi_4) : \xi_i \geq 0 \text{ and } \sum_{i=1}^4 \xi_i = 1 \right\}. \quad (2.4)$$

For convenience we introduce the allele frequencies $p_k = x_{1,k} + x_{2,k}$ and $q_k = x_{1,k} + x_{3,k}$ of alleles A and B in deme k . Then the gamete

frequencies $x_{i,k}$ are given by the relations

$$x_{1,k} = p_k q_k + D_k, \quad x_{2,k} = p_k(1 - q_k) - D_k, \quad (2.5a)$$

$$x_{3,k} = (1 - p_k)q_k - D_k, \quad x_{4,k} = (1 - p_k)(1 - q_k) + D_k. \quad (2.5b)$$

We shall use the notation $x_k = (x_{1,k}, x_{2,k}, x_{3,k}, x_{4,k})$. See Table 1 for a glossary of symbols.

3. Limiting cases

We determine equilibria and their stability properties analytically for the limiting cases of no migration, weak migration, and strong migration.

3.1. No migration

For panmictic populations the model has been analyzed previously (reviewed in Bürger, 2000, Chap. VI.2). We recapitulate the relevant results. Because in the absence of migration the dynamics of the demes are decoupled, we describe the equilibrium configuration for a single deme k .

Three types of equilibria may exist: (i) monomorphic equilibria, (ii) single-locus polymorphisms (SLPs), and (iii) fully polymorphic equilibria. The monomorphic equilibrium corresponding to fixation of gamete i in deme k is denoted by M_k^i . Four SLPs, corresponding to the fixation of one allele at one locus, exist. Their coordinates are

$$E_k^{A,0} : \hat{p}_k = \frac{3}{2} - 2P_k, \quad \hat{q}_k = 0, \quad \hat{D}_k = 0, \tag{3.1a}$$

$$E_k^{A,1} : \hat{p}_k = -\frac{1}{2} - 2P_k, \quad \hat{q}_k = 1, \quad \hat{D}_k = 0, \tag{3.1b}$$

$$E_k^{B,0} : \hat{q}_k = \frac{3}{2} - 2P_k, \quad \hat{p}_k = 0, \quad \hat{D}_k = 0, \tag{3.1c}$$

$$E_k^{B,1} : \hat{q}_k = -\frac{1}{2} - 2P_k, \quad \hat{p}_k = 1, \quad \hat{D}_k = 0, \tag{3.1d}$$

where the superscript A or B of E indicates the polymorphic locus, and the superscript 0 or 1 which allele is fixed at the other locus. The hat, $\hat{\cdot}$, signifies an equilibrium.

The equilibria $E_k^{A,0}$ and $E_k^{B,0}$ are admissible if and only if $1/4 < P_k < 3/4$; $E_k^{A,1}$ and $E_k^{B,1}$ are admissible if and only if $-3/4 < P_k < -1/4$. Stability conditions of all boundary equilibria are available for arbitrary locus effects κ (Bürger, 2000). Because $\kappa = 1$, the SLPs are asymptotically stable when they are admissible. If $P_k \geq 3/4$ or $P_k \leq -3/4$, the trait is under directional selection and M_k^4 or M_k^1 , respectively, is globally asymptotically stable (Appendix A.1). If $-1/4 \leq P_k \leq 1/4$, then M_k^2 and M_k^3 are simultaneously asymptotically stable. If $-3/4 < P_k < 3/4$ (and $\kappa = 1$), there exists a unique internal equilibrium F_k which is always unstable (Appendix A.1).

These results show that, depending on the phenotypic optimum P_k , one of the following five qualitatively different equilibrium configurations occurs.

- (i) If $-1 \leq P_k \leq -3/4$, M_k^1 is globally asymptotically stable.
- (ii) If $-3/4 < P_k < -1/4$, $E_k^{A,1}$ and $E_k^{B,1}$ are simultaneously asymptotically stable and F_k is unstable.
- (iii) If $-1/4 \leq P_k \leq 1/4$, M_k^2 and M_k^3 are simultaneously asymptotically stable and F_k is unstable.
- (iv) If $1/4 < P_k < 3/4$, $E_k^{A,0}$ and $E_k^{B,0}$ are simultaneously asymptotically stable and F_k is unstable.
- (v) If $3/4 \leq P_k \leq 1$, M_k^4 is globally asymptotically stable.

3.2. Weak migration

We apply the perturbation theory developed by Karlin and McGregor (1972a,b) to infer existence and local stability of equilibria for weak migration from the model with no migration. The migration matrix \mathcal{M} is supposed to satisfy

$$m_{kl} = \begin{cases} 1 - m & \text{if } k = l, \\ \gamma_{kl} m & \text{if } k \neq l, \end{cases} \tag{3.2}$$

where the $\gamma_{kl} \in [0, 1]$ are constants that satisfy $\sum_{l:l \neq k} \gamma_{kl} = 1$.

If $m = 0$, the dynamics (2.3) on S_4^n is given by the Euclidean product of the single-deme dynamics on S_4 . Every equilibrium is of the form

$$\prod_{1 \leq k \leq n} G_k, \tag{3.3}$$

where G_k is an equilibrium in deme k . If all components of the equilibrium (3.3) are identical, i.e., $G_k = G_1$ for $1 \leq k \leq n$, we denote the equilibrium (3.3) by G .

If in the absence of migration every equilibrium is hyperbolic, perturbation theory shows that the following holds for sufficiently small m (Karlin and McGregor, 1972b): (i) in the neighborhood of each asymptotically stable equilibrium for $m = 0$, there exists exactly one equilibrium for $m > 0$ and it is asymptotically stable; (ii) in the neighborhood of each unstable internal equilibrium for $m = 0$, there exists exactly one equilibrium for $m > 0$ and it is unstable; (iii) in the neighborhood of each unstable boundary equilibrium for $m = 0$, there exists at most one equilibrium for $m > 0$, and if it exists, it is unstable. If we denote the perturbation of $\prod_{k=1}^n G_k$ by $I_m(\prod_{k=1}^n G_k)$, then $I_m(\prod_{k=1}^n G_k) \rightarrow \prod_{k=1}^n G_k$ as $m \rightarrow 0$. The proof of Theorem 4.1 in Karlin and McGregor (1972b) shows that an equilibrium may leave the state space after perturbation only if it is transversally unstable.

The following proposition combines the results for panmictic populations summarized in Section 3.1 with the perturbation theory outlined above.

Proposition 3.1. Assume (2.3), let m be sufficiently small, and define the sets

$$\begin{aligned} N_1 &= \{k \mid P_k \in [-1, -3/4]\}, \\ N_2 &= \{k \mid P_k \in (-3/4, -1/4)\}, \\ N_3 &= \{k \mid P_k \in (-1/4, 1/4)\}, \\ N_4 &= \{k \mid P_k \in (1/4, 3/4)\}, \\ N_5 &= \{k \mid P_k \in (3/4, 1]\}. \end{aligned} \tag{3.4}$$

The following asymptotically stable equilibria exist:

$$I_m \left(\prod_{k \in N_1} M_k^1 \times \prod_{k \in N_2} G_k \times \prod_{k \in N_3} H_k \times \prod_{k \in N_4} J_k \times \prod_{k \in N_5} M_k^4 \right), \tag{3.5a}$$

where

$$G_k \in \{E_k^{A,1}, E_k^{B,1}\}, \quad H_k \in \{M_k^2, M_k^3\}, \quad J_k \in \{E_k^{A,0}, E_k^{B,0}\}. \tag{3.5b}$$

The following are unstable equilibria:

$$I_m \left(\prod_{k \in N_1} M_k^1 \times \prod_{k \in N_2} G_k \times \prod_{k \in N_3} H_k \times \prod_{k \in N_4} J_k \times \prod_{k \in N_5} M_k^4 \right), \tag{3.6a}$$

where

$$G_k \in \{E_k^{A,1}, E_k^{B,1}, F_k\}, \quad H_k \in \{M_k^2, M_k^3, F_k\}, \quad J_k \in \{E_k^{A,0}, E_k^{B,0}, F_k\}, \tag{3.6b}$$

and

$$G_k = F_k \quad \text{or} \quad H_k = F_k \quad \text{or} \quad J_k = F_k \quad \text{for at least one } k. \tag{3.6c}$$

The proof is given in Appendix A.2.

We note that not all unstable equilibria are given by (3.6): e.g., if $N_i \neq \emptyset$ for some $i \in \{1, 2, 4, 5\}$, then M^2 and M^3 are unstable. In general, it has to be checked separately whether the perturbation of an unstable boundary equilibrium leaves the state space. Notably, Proposition 3.1 holds independently of the migration matrix \mathcal{M} .

Remark 3.2. The values $|P_k| = 1/4$ and $P_k = 3/4$ are excluded in the above Proposition, because then not every equilibrium is hyperbolic and separate treatment is needed. Numerical work suggests that Proposition 3.1 remains valid if $P_k = -3/4$ is added to N_1 , $P_k = -1/4$ and $P_k = 1/4$ are added to N_3 , and $P_k = 3/4$ is added to N_5 .

Remark 3.3. We conjecture that almost all trajectories converge to one of the equilibria in (3.5) if m is small. If for every k either $P_k = 0$ or $|P_k| > 3/4$ holds, this conjecture follows from global perturbation theory (Bürger, 2009, Section 5; or Bürger, 2014, Theorem 7.7 and Remark 7.8). The reason is that if $m = 0$ and

$|P_k| > 3/4$, there is global convergence to an asymptotically stable equilibrium (Section 3.1); if $m = 0$ and $P_k = 0$, the Lyapunov function $x_{2,k}/x_{3,k}$ establishes (exponential) convergence to M^3 for every trajectory with $x_{3,k} > x_{2,k}$, and to M^2 for every trajectory with $x_{2,k} > x_{3,k}$; trajectories satisfying $x_{2,k} = x_{3,k}$ converge to F_k . In both cases the convergence patterns persist for small m .

3.3. Strong migration

With the special migration schemes of Section 5 in mind, we assume an even number n of demes and posit that selection and migration satisfy the following symmetry conditions for every $k, l \in \{0, \dots, n/2 - 1\}$:

$$P_{\frac{n}{2}-k} = -P_{\frac{n}{2}+1+k}, \tag{3.7a}$$

$$m_{\frac{n}{2}-k, \frac{n}{2}-l} = m_{\frac{n}{2}+1+k, \frac{n}{2}+1+l}. \tag{3.7b}$$

These conditions describe a mirror symmetry between demes $(1, \dots, n/2)$ and $(n/2 + 1, \dots, n)$, such that in deme $n/2 - k$ selection acts on the haplotypes AB, Ab, aB, ab in the same way as selection in deme $n/2 + 1 + k$ on ab, aB, Ab, AB , respectively. In particular, selection on the trait occurs in opposite direction in these two sets of demes.

Proposition 3.4. Assume (3.7).

1. If migration is sufficiently strong, i.e., m/s and m/r are sufficiently large, then M^2 and M^3 are asymptotically stable and no other equilibrium is stable. The equilibrium $F = \prod_k F_k$ exists, is the unique internal equilibrium, and is unstable.

2. The critical migration rate at which M^2 and M^3 become asymptotically stable, denoted $m_{st}^{X, \mathcal{M}}(M^{2,3})$ (Section 5.2), is independent of r . M^2 and M^3 are stable if and only if they are stable with respect to their marginal one-locus systems.

The proof is given in Appendix A.3. There it is also shown that if $\kappa < 1$, the migration rates at which M^2 and M^3 become stable depend on r .

The analysis below will show that the equilibrium configuration of the strong-migration limit, as defined by Proposition 3.4.1, may apply only for much larger migration rates than $m_{st}^{X, \mathcal{M}}(M^{2,3})$.

4. Two demes

In this section we assume $n = 2$ and (3.7), i.e., $-P_1 = P_2 = P$ and $m_{12} = m_{21} = m$. Then the strength of divergent selection between the demes increases with increasing P . Our goal here is to describe the equilibrium configurations and bifurcation patterns as the migration rate increases.

We find the equilibria of (2.3) by using the algorithm *NSolve* of *Mathematica* (Wolfram Research, Inc., 2010) and determine their local stability properties by calculating the eigenvalues numerically. Global stability results are inferred from forward iterations of (2.3). They were performed with *Mathematica* and the following adjustments: In each deme, 1000 initial values from the interior were chosen as $(\log(y_1), \log(y_2), \log(y_3), \log(y_4)) / \sum_{i=1}^4 \log(y_i)$, where the y_i are independent and uniformly distributed in $(0, 1)$. Iterations were stopped if the Euclidean distance between successive values declined below 10^{-9} . Two equilibrium values were considered as equal if their Euclidean distance (in S_4^n) was less than 0.001.

In combination with our analytical results for weak and for strong migration, we obtain a presumably complete classification of bifurcations in which the stable equilibria are involved.

For any equilibrium G , we designate by $m_{st}(G)$ or $m_{un}(G)$ the critical migration rate at which G becomes stable or unstable, respectively, as m increases above this value. Analogously, we write

$m_{ad}(G)$ or $m_{na}(G)$ for the critical migration rate at which G gains or loses admissibility, respectively. These critical migration rates turn out to be unique.

Proposition 3.4 shows that in the limit of strong migration, M^2 and M^3 are simultaneously stable. A linear stability analysis of M^2 and M^3 reveals that these equilibria are stable if and only if $m > m_{st}(M^{2,3})$, where

$$\begin{aligned} m_{st}(M^{2,3}) &:= m_{st}(M^2) = m_{st}(M^3) = s \frac{1 - 16P^2}{2s(1 - 12P^2) - 8} \\ &= 2s \left(P^2 - \frac{1}{16} \right) + O(s^2). \end{aligned} \tag{4.1}$$

We note that $m_{st}(M^{2,3})$ is independent of r (cf. Section 3.3) and $m_{st}(M^{2,3}) > 0$ if and only if $|P| > 1/4$.

From one-locus theory (Karlin and Campbell, 1980; Bürger, 2014) and our symmetry assumptions ($-P_1 = P_2 = P$ and $\kappa = 1$), we infer that four SLPs exist if and only if all monomorphic equilibria are unstable. Otherwise, no SLP exists. The allele frequency at an SLP is a zero of a cubic polynomial which does not have simple form. Numerical investigations suggest that the SLPs are always unstable. (They are stable within their marginal one-locus system but unstable with respect to the interior of the state space). They play no role in the further analysis.

At several instances we define internal equilibria \hat{v} by weak-migration perturbations, e.g. $\hat{v} = I_m(G_1^j, H_2^j)$. Then we use the notation \hat{v} for the whole range of parameters where this equilibrium exists. The following equilibrium plays a central role in the subsequent analysis

$$l^1 = \begin{cases} I_m(F_1, F_2) & \text{if } P < 3/4, \\ I_m(M_1^1, M_2^4) & \text{if } P \geq 3/4. \end{cases} \tag{4.2}$$

Its coordinates are continuous in P since $F_1 \rightarrow M_1^1$ and $F_2 \rightarrow M_2^4$ as $P \rightarrow 3/4$ (Appendix A.1).

Because Proposition 3.1 shows that the equilibrium configuration for weak migration depends on P , we distinguish three cases according to increasing strength of divergent selection.

Case I

Let $0 \leq P < 1/4$. Then there is stabilizing selection in each deme, and divergent selection between demes is weak. According to (4.1), M^2 and M^3 are asymptotically stable for every $m \geq 0$. For sufficiently weak migration, $l^2 = I_m(M_1^2, M_2^3)$ and $l^3 = I_m(M_1^3, M_2^2)$ are the only internal stable equilibria (Proposition 3.1). The equilibria $l^1, I_m(M_1^2, F_2), I_m(M_1^3, F_2), I_m(F_1, M_2^2)$, and $I_m(F_1, M_2^3)$ are admissible and unstable if $m > 0$. As m increases, the following three bifurcations¹ occur which reduce the number of equilibria and, eventually, yield the equilibrium configuration of the strong-migration limit.

The equilibrium l^2 collides with the two unstable equilibria $I_m(M_1^2, F_2)$ and $I_m(F_1, M_2^3)$ in a subcritical pitchfork bifurcation in which l^2 loses its stability but persists, and the unstable equilibria are annihilated. Analogously, l^3 collides with the two unstable equilibria $I_m(M_1^3, F_2)$ and $I_m(F_1, M_2^2)$ in a subcritical pitchfork bifurcation. The value at which l^2 and l^3 lose their stability is denoted by $m_{un}(l^{2,3}) = m_{un}(l^2) = m_{un}(l^3)$. At the value $m_{na}(l^{2,3}) = m_{na}(l^2) = m_{na}(l^3)$, a third subcritical pitchfork bifurcation occurs in which the three unstable internal equilibria l^1, l^2 , and l^3 collide, l^2 and l^3 are annihilated, and l^1 remains admissible and unstable. In this sequence of bifurcation points is

$$0 < m_{un}(l^{2,3}) < m_{na}(l^{2,3}) \tag{4.3}$$

(Fig. 1a). If $m > m_{na}(l^{2,3})$, the equilibrium configuration of the strong-migration limit applies.

¹ Bifurcations are classified according to their properties on the center manifold (Kuznetsov, 1998).

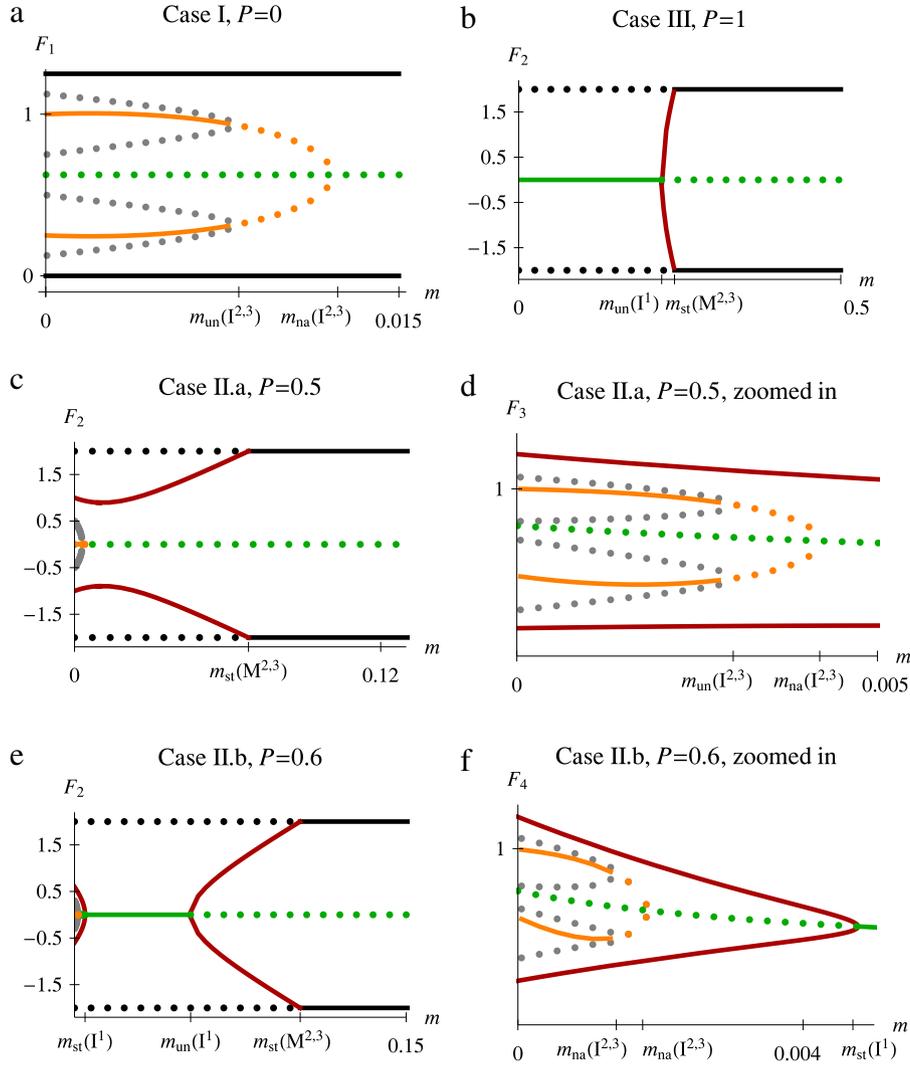


Fig. 1. Bifurcation patterns for two demes. The functions F_1 , F_2 , F_3 , and F_4 provide two-dimensional projections of the six-dimensional coordinates and are given in Appendix A.5. Solid and dotted lines represent stable and unstable equilibria, respectively. The equilibrium l^1 is displayed in green, the equilibria l^2 and l^3 are displayed in orange, and l^4 and l^5 in red. Gray dotted lines in panel a show the equilibria $I_m(M_2^2, F_2)$, $I_m(M_3^3, F_2)$, $I_m(F_1, M_2^2)$, and $I_m(F_1, M_3^3)$, whereas in the other panels gray lines show $I_m(E_1^{A,1}, F_2)$, $I_m(F_1, E_2^{B,0})$, $I_m(E_1^{B,1}, F_2)$, $I_m(F_1, E_2^{A,0})$. Panels d and f are zoomed-in versions of panels c and e, respectively. In Case II.a, the bifurcations can occur in different orders; see (4.6). The SLPs are not shown because they are always unstable and bifurcate only with the monomorphic equilibria when they leave the state space. The asymmetries in panels d and f result from the nonlinear projections F_3 and F_4 , respectively. Parameters are $r = 0.5$ and $s = 0.2$. (For interpretation of the references to color in this figure legend, the reader is referred to the web version of this article.)

For each of the equilibria l^1 , l^2 , and l^3 , the equilibrium allele frequencies and LD in demes 1 and 2 satisfy the symmetry relation

$$\hat{p}_2 = 1 - \hat{p}_1, \quad \hat{q}_2 = 1 - \hat{q}_1, \quad \hat{D}_2 = \hat{D}_1. \quad (4.4)$$

Eqs. (A.10) and (A.11) in Appendix A.4 provide approximations for l^1 , l^2 , and l^3 by assuming weak evolutionary forces and linkage equilibrium (see Fig. B.13).

Case II

Let $1/4 < P < 3/4$. Then there is (asymmetric) stabilizing selection in each deme, and divergent selection between demes is moderately strong. We recall from Section 3.1 that if $m = 0$, the equilibria $E_1^{A,1}$ and $E_1^{B,1}$ ($E_2^{A,0}$ and $E_2^{B,0}$) are simultaneously asymptotically stable in deme 1 (deme 2). Additionally, there is the unstable internal equilibrium F_k in each deme. If migration is weak, there are nine internal equilibria. Among them, $l^2 = I_m(E_1^{B,1}, E_2^{B,0})$, $l^3 = I_m(E_1^{A,1}, E_2^{A,0})$, $l^4 = I_m(E_1^{B,1}, E_2^{A,0})$, and $l^5 = I_m(E_1^{A,1}, E_2^{B,0})$ are asymptotically stable. The definitions of l^2 and l^3 extend those in Case I, because $E_k^{B,1}$ and $E_k^{A,0}$ converge to M_k^2 , and $E_k^{B,0}$ and $E_k^{A,1}$ converge to M_k^3 as $P \rightarrow 1/4$ (Section 3.1).

As the migration rate increases, the stable equilibrium l^2 collides with the two unstable equilibria $I_m(E_1^{B,1}, F_2)$ and $I_m(F_1, E_2^{B,0})$ in a subcritical pitchfork bifurcation, i.e., l^2 becomes unstable and $I_m(E_1^{B,1}, F_2)$ and $I_m(F_1, E_2^{B,0})$ are annihilated. Analogously, l^3 collides with the two unstable equilibria $I_m(E_1^{A,1}, F_2)$ and $I_m(F_1, E_2^{A,0})$ in a subcritical pitchfork bifurcation. Both bifurcations occur at the same migration rate $m_{un}(l^{2,3})$. As the migration rate increases further, a third subcritical pitchfork bifurcation occurs at which the three unstable equilibria l^1 , l^2 and l^3 collide, l^2 and l^3 are annihilated and l^1 remains admissible and unstable (Figs. 1d,f).

For larger m we distinguish two subcases, depending on whether the two stable equilibria l^4 and l^5 do or do not collide with l^1 . The equilibria l^4 and l^5 collide if and only if $P_c \leq P < 3/4$, where P_c is an increasing function of s which cannot be calculated explicitly. In the continuous-time approximation (Appendix A.4, Fig. B.13), however, the coordinates of l^4 and l^5 can be calculated (A.13), and P_c is given by

$$P_c = \frac{\sqrt{5}}{4}. \quad (4.5)$$

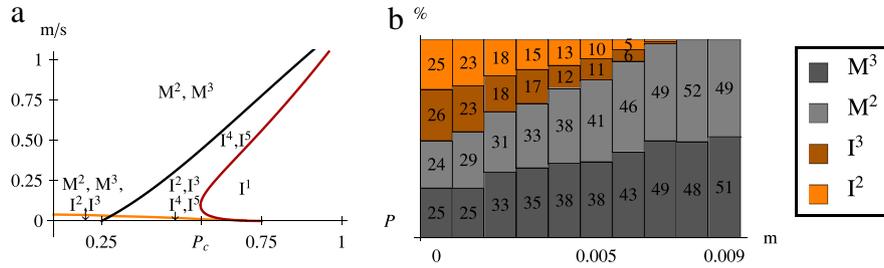


Fig. 2. Panel a shows the regions of stability of the equilibria $M^2, M^3, I^1, I^2, I^3, I^4$ and I^5 as a function of P . The red line shows $m_{st}(I^1)$ and $m_{un}(I^1)$; the black line $m_{st}(M^{2,3})$ (4.1). The orange line shows $m_{un}(I^{2,3})$ and is obtained by numerical calculation of the bifurcation point. Panel b shows the fraction of trajectories converging to one of the four simultaneously stable equilibria if $P = 0.2$ (Case I). Initial values were chosen as described at the beginning of Section 4. In both panels, $r = 0.5$ and $s = 0.2$. (For interpretation of the references to color in this figure legend, the reader is referred to the web version of this article.)

Case II.a

If $1/4 < P < P_c$, the two stable equilibria I^4 and I^5 do not collide and leave the state space at the migration rate $m_{st}(M^{2,3})$ by transcritical bifurcations with the two boundary equilibria M^2 and M^3 , respectively. The equilibrium I^1 is unstable for all migration rates. The bifurcations can occur in three different orders:

$$0 < m_{un}(I^{2,3}) < m_{na}(I^{2,3}) < m_{st}(M^{2,3}), \quad (4.6a)$$

$$0 < m_{un}(I^{2,3}) < m_{st}(M^{2,3}) < m_{na}(I^{2,3}), \quad (4.6b)$$

$$0 < m_{st}(M^{2,3}) < m_{un}(I^{2,3}) < m_{na}(I^{2,3}). \quad (4.6c)$$

The first order is the most common (Fig. 2) and is displayed in Figs. 1c,d. Above the highest indicated bifurcation point, the equilibrium configuration of the strong-migration limit applies.

Case II.b

If $P_c \leq P < 3/4$, a supercritical pitchfork bifurcation occurs at $m_{na}(I^{4,5}) := m_{na}(I^4) = m_{na}(I^5) = m_{st}(I^1)$ when the three equilibria I^4, I^5 , and I^1 collide. The equilibria I^4 and I^5 annihilate each other and I^1 becomes stable. At the critical migration rate $m_{ad}(I^{4,5}) := m_{ad}(I^4) = m_{ad}(I^5) = m_{un}(I^1)$, a second supercritical pitchfork bifurcation occurs, in which I^1 becomes unstable and I^4 and I^5 are re-established. As the migration rate increases further, the stable equilibria I^4 and I^5 leave the state space at $m_{st}(M^{2,3})$ by transcritical bifurcations with M^2 and M^3 , respectively. The sequence of bifurcation events is given by

$$0 < m_{un}(I^{2,3}) < m_{na}(I^{2,3}) < m_{st}(I^1) < m_{un}(I^1) < m_{st}(M^{2,3}) \quad (4.7)$$

(Figs. 1e,f).

Case III

Let $P > 3/4$. Then there is directional selection in each deme, and divergent selection between demes is strong. If migration is weak, I^1 is the globally attracting internal equilibrium. At $m_{ad}(I^{4,5}) = m_{un}(I^1)$, the equilibrium I^1 becomes unstable and the two stable equilibria I^4 and I^5 are established in a supercritical pitchfork bifurcation. As the migration rate increases, I^4 and I^5 leave the state space at $m_{st}(M^{2,3})$ by transcritical bifurcations with M^2 and M^3 , respectively. The sequence of bifurcation events is given by

$$0 < m_{un}(I^1) < m_{st}(M^{2,3}) \quad (4.8)$$

(Fig. 1b).

Remark 4.1. If $P = 1/4$, Case I applies, and if $P = 3/4$, Case III applies. Because they are degenerate (Remark 3.2), they require separate treatment.

Remark 4.2. The above results are related to our previous work (Geroldinger and Bürger, 2014), where we mainly studied a haploid model and explored the influence of unequal locus effects ($\kappa < 1$) and of the recombination rate on the maximum migration rates

admitting polymorphism. Case I exhibits the same bifurcation pattern as Pattern I.sr.0 in Geroldinger and Bürger (2014). Case II does not have an analogue in the haploid model. Since the SLPs are not admissible in the haploid model for $m = 0$, at most two internal equilibria can be stable, whereas in the present diploid model the four internal equilibria I^2, I^3, I^4 , and I^5 may be simultaneously stable. Case III is identical to Pattern D.sr.1 with $\kappa = 1$ in Geroldinger and Bürger (2014). The equilibria I^4 and I^5 correspond to I_6 and I_7 in Geroldinger and Bürger (2014).

Remark 4.3. If $m = 0$, then $\hat{D}_k = 0$ for every stable equilibrium and every k . For weak migration, approximations of the internal equilibria show that $D(I^2) < 0$ and $D(I^3) < 0$ (if $0 \leq P < 3/4$), $D(I^4) = D(I^5) = 0$ (if $1/4 < P < 3/4$), and $D(I^1) > 0$ (if $P \geq 3/4$). For the continuous-time model it can be shown that $D(I^4) = D(I^5) = 0$ for all migration rates; see (A.13). Therefore, if migration is weak, at every stable equilibrium we have $\hat{D} \leq 0$ if $P < 3/4$ (stabilizing selection) and $\hat{D} > 0$ if $P \geq 3/4$ (directional selection). Numerical work suggests that this also holds for intermediate migration rates. For the haploid model, it could be proved that in the case analogous to Case I (i.e., Pattern I.sr.0 in Geroldinger and Bürger, 2014), LD at I^2 and I^3 is negative for all migration rates.

Remark 4.4. The above analysis shows that for sufficiently strong divergent selection ($P > P_c$) there is an interval of migration rates for which a unique asymptotically stable internal equilibrium (I^1) exists which, presumably, is globally attracting. This interval increases with P (Fig. 2a) and includes 0 if $P \geq 3/4$. If $P < P_c$, there are always multiple simultaneously stable equilibria. For Case I, Fig. 2b shows the fraction of trajectories converging to one of the stable equilibria I^2, I^3, M^2 and M^3 as a function of the migration rate.

Remark 4.5. The maximum migration rate m_{max} up to which a stable polymorphic equilibrium can occur is given by

$$m_{max} = \begin{cases} m_{un}(I^{2,3}) & \text{in Case I and Case II (4.6c),} \\ m_{st}(M^{2,3}) & \text{in Case II (4.6a) and (4.6b) and Case III.} \end{cases} \quad (4.9)$$

In Fig. 2a these migration rates are displayed as functions of P . Whereas $m_{un}(I^{2,3})$ is increasing with the recombination rate (results not shown), $m_{st}(M^{2,3})$ is independent of r (4.1). Therefore, the critical ratio m/s above which the equilibrium configuration of the strong-migration limit applies is independent of r if P is sufficiently large.

5. Island and stepping-stone models

In this section we investigate the influence of the migration pattern, of the number of demes, and of different selection scenarios on the equilibrium configurations. In particular, we shall compare migration patterns exhibiting different degrees of

mixing and different degrees of isolation by distance. Our selection scenarios include models in which there is one major step-like change in the environment, models in which the environment changes (more) gradually, and a model with uniform stabilizing selection.

5.1. Migration patterns and selection scenarios

We investigate the island model and two stepping-stone models. Whereas the former has no geographic structure, the latter exhibit isolation by distance. Two versions of the stepping-stone model will be considered. In the first, individuals migrate only to neighboring demes, whereas in the second migration to more distant demes, or islands, is admitted but occurs with decreasing probability.

The island model

The (forward and backward) migration matrix of the island model $\mathcal{I} = (m_{kl})$ is given by

$$m_{kl} = \begin{cases} 1 - m & \text{if } k = l, \\ m & \text{if } k \neq l. \end{cases} \quad (5.1)$$

Proposition A.1 demonstrates that in each deme the coordinates of the equilibria depend on k only through the position of the optimum P_k . This holds for every choice n, m , and s , and confirms that the island model exhibits no spatial structure. Also the following relation between an island model with an even number n of islands to the two-deme model is notable.

Remark 5.1. If $n/2$ demes have optimum $-P$ and $n/2$ demes have optimum P , then for every equilibrium in the two-deme model with migration rate m there is an equilibrium in the island model with migration rate

$$\bar{m} = 2 \left(1 - \frac{1}{n} \right) m \quad (5.2)$$

(Proposition A.2). This rescaling of the migration rate is a consequence of the following argument. In the two-deme model, m denotes the probability that an individual breeds in the other deme. This coincides with the probability that an individual migrates to a deme with a different environment. In the island model, the second interpretation of m does not hold if $n \geq 4$. Instead, the probability of switching the selective environment is $mn/[2(n - 1)]$. Therefore, (5.2) transforms critical migration rates at which the equilibrium structure changes for the two-deme model to analogous critical migration rates for the island model. It is useful even if $P = 0$ because spatially heterogeneous equilibria may exist in the two-deme model (e.g., l^2, l^3).

Stepping-stone models

The backward-migration matrix of the (single-step) stepping-stone model $\mathcal{S} = (m_{kl})$ is given by

$$m_{kl} = \begin{cases} 1 - m & \text{if } k = l, \\ m & \text{if } |k - l| = 1, \quad 1 < k < n, \\ \frac{m}{2} & \text{if } |k - l| = 1, \quad k \in \{1, n\}, \\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases} \quad (5.3)$$

In this migration pattern individuals can migrate only to neighboring demes. Alternatively, we consider a generalized stepping-stone model, where migration to more distant demes is possible but its rate decreases with distance. The matrix \mathcal{S}_2 of this generalized stepping-stone model is given in Appendix A.7 for $n = 6$ and $n = 12$. In all our migration patterns, m may be interpreted as the probability of outbreeding.

Obviously, the statements of Propositions A.1 and A.2 do not apply to the stepping-stone models. In the stepping-stone models an increasing number of demes increases isolation by distance. Therefore, equilibrium frequencies change gradually in space even if the environment changes sharply.

In Section 7, we will compare our results on the stepping-stone models to previous investigations using diffusion approximations in continuous time and space in an unbounded domain.

Selection scenarios

For each of the migration patterns, we consider the following selection scenarios (Fig. 3):

$$\text{Scenario A : } P_k = \begin{cases} -1 & \text{if } 1 \leq k \leq \frac{n}{2}, \\ 1 & \text{if } \frac{n}{2} < k \leq n, \end{cases} \quad \text{where } n \in 2\mathbb{N}, \quad (5.4a)$$

$$\text{Scenario B : } P_k = \begin{cases} -1 & \text{if } 1 \leq k \leq \frac{n}{3}, \\ 0 & \text{if } \frac{n}{3} < k \leq \frac{2n}{3}, \\ 1 & \text{if } \frac{2n}{3} < k \leq n, \end{cases} \quad \text{where } n \in 6\mathbb{N}, \quad (5.4b)$$

$$\text{Scenario C : } P_k = -1 + (k - 1) \frac{2}{n - 1}, \quad \text{where } n \in 2\mathbb{N}, \quad (5.4c)$$

$$\text{Scenario D : } P_k = 0 \quad \text{for all } k, \quad \text{where } n \in 2\mathbb{N}. \quad (5.4d)$$

Scenario A models a sharp change, or single step, in the phenotypic optimum from -1 to 1 . In one half of the demes ($k \leq n/2$) genotype AB/AB is the best adapted, whereas ab/ab is the best adapted in the other half ($k > n/2$). Scenario B assumes two steps in the phenotypic optimum, from -1 to 0 and from 0 to 1 . Therefore, heterozygotes and the (repulsion) genotypes Ab/Ab and aB/aB are selectively favored in the center of the domain. Scenario C assumes that the phenotypic optimum changes linearly in space, which ensures that each genotype is well adapted in some deme if the number of demes is large enough. In Scenario D there is uniform stabilizing selection toward $P = 0$ in all demes.

Simple calculations or a glance at Fig. 3 reveal that for fixed selection intensity s , the maximum fitness difference between genotypes in each deme, $S_k = \max_{ij} w_{ij,k} - \min_{ij} w_{ij,k}$, varies among the selection scenarios.

Recalling (3.1), we note that except for Scenario C the relative sizes of the sets N_i ($1 \leq i \leq 5$) are independent of n . In Scenario A, we have $|N_1| = |N_5| = n/2$ and $N_2 = N_3 = N_4 = \emptyset$; in Scenario B, $|N_1| = |N_3| = |N_5| = n/3$ and $N_2 = N_4 = \emptyset$ hold; and in Scenario D, $|N_3| = n$. However, in Scenario C we have $N_1 = N_2 = N_4 = N_5 = 1$ and $N_3 = 2$ if $n = 6$, but $N_1 = N_5 = 2$, $N_2 = N_4 = 3$, and $N_3 = 2$ if $n = 12$. This fact is responsible for some peculiar dependencies of critical migration rates on n in Scenario C. To avoid this phenomenon in Scenario B, and also to keep the number of demes even, we assumed $n \in 6\mathbb{N}$.

5.2. Equilibrium configurations

We start by noting that the migration patterns (5.1), (5.3), (A.22), and the selection scenarios (A.38) satisfy (3.7). Therefore, the following proposition follows immediately from (2.3).

Proposition 5.2. 1. Equilibria that do not satisfy

$$\hat{p}_k = 1 - \hat{p}_{n-k+1}, \quad \hat{q}_k = 1 - \hat{q}_{n-k+1}, \quad \hat{D}_k = \hat{D}_{n-k+1} \quad (5.5)$$

occur in pairs, $(\hat{p}, \hat{q}, \hat{D})$ and $(\tilde{p}, \tilde{q}, \tilde{D})$. Each pair satisfies the relations

$$\tilde{p}_k = 1 - \hat{p}_{n-k+1}, \quad \tilde{q}_k = 1 - \hat{q}_{n-k+1}, \quad \tilde{D}_k = \hat{D}_{n-k+1}. \quad (5.6)$$

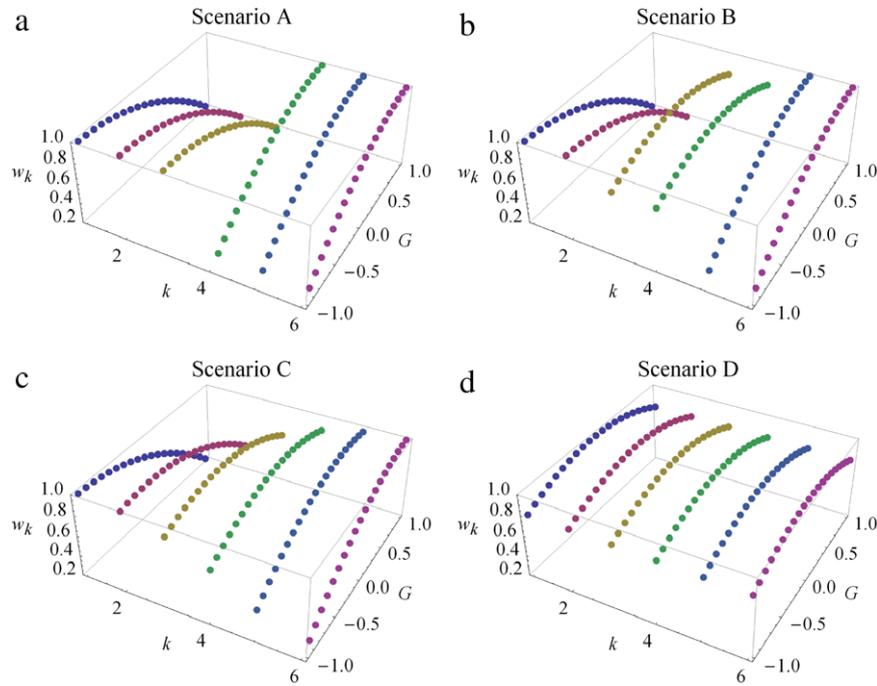


Fig. 3. The selection scenarios (5.4) for $s = 0.2$ and $n = 6$.

The equilibria of each pair have the same stability properties and satisfy $\hat{G}_k = -\hat{G}_{n-k+1}$ and $\hat{V}_k = \hat{V}_{n-k+1}$, where \hat{G}_k and \hat{V}_k denote the mean genotypic value and the genetic variance in deme k .

2. Equilibria that do not satisfy

$$\hat{p}_k = \hat{q}_k, \tag{5.7}$$

occur in pairs, $(\hat{p}, \hat{q}, \hat{D})$ and $(\tilde{p}, \tilde{q}, \tilde{D})$. Each pair satisfies the relations

$$\tilde{p}_k = \hat{q}_k, \quad \tilde{q}_k = \hat{p}_k, \quad \tilde{D}_k = \hat{D}_k. \tag{5.8}$$

The equilibria of each pair have the same stability properties, the same mean genotypic value, and the same variance.

Whereas the first statement also holds if $\kappa < 1$, the second statement requires $\kappa = 1$. Eq. (5.5) generalizes (4.4). In (A.23), the equilibria l^1, l^2, l^3, l^4 , and l^5 are defined for weak migration and n demes. As in the two-deme model, the equilibria l^1, l^2 , and l^3 satisfy (5.5). In addition, l^1 fulfills (5.7), and l^2 and l^3 fulfill (5.8). The equilibria l^4 and l^5 satisfy (5.6) and (5.8).

The coordinates of the stable equilibria were calculated from forward iterations of (2.3) (see Section 4). Because several equilibria lie on the manifold given by the symmetry relation (5.5), their coordinates could be computed efficiently by iteration of (2.3) on this manifold. Local stability was determined by numerical evaluation of the eigenvalues of the Jacobian of (2.3).

For increasing migration rate, the number of stable equilibria decreases from its usually high value for weak migration (Proposition 3.1). The numerical computations suggest that, in close analogy to the two-deme model, the reduction of internal equilibria is always due to pitchfork bifurcations.

In this section we investigate the number of stable internal equilibria and the migration rates at which the bifurcations occur. These migration rates depend on the migration pattern, the selection scenario, the number of demes n , as well as on s and r . They are denoted by $m_*^{X,\mathcal{M}}(G)$, where $*$ \in {ad, na, st, un} indicates whether the equilibrium l^1 fulfills (5.7), $X \in$ {A, B, C, D} indicates the selection scenario, and $\mathcal{M} \in$ { $\mathcal{I}, \mathcal{S}, \mathcal{S}_2$ } the migration matrix.

Numerical work suggests the following: Internal equilibria never enter the state space through the boundary, and SLPs are

never stable if $m > 0$. There is at least one internal equilibrium (l^1) satisfying (5.5). Proposition 3.1 implies that for every migration pattern \mathcal{M} , we have $m_{st}^{X,\mathcal{M}}(M^{2,3}) > 0$ if $X \in$ {A, B, C} and $m_{st}^{D,\mathcal{M}}(M^{2,3}) = 0$. In Scenarios A, B, and C, the equilibrium configuration of the strong-migration limit applies if $m > m_{st}^{X,\mathcal{M}}(M^{2,3})$.

Scenario A

Proposition 3.1 implies that for weak migration there is a unique stable internal equilibrium which we denote by l^1 (A.23a). In the absence of migration every trajectory converges to M_k^1 (if $k \leq n/2$) or M_k^4 (if $k > n/2$) (Section 3.1). Therefore, l^1 is globally asymptotically stable for weak migration (Section 3.2). As the migration rate increases, the equilibrium l^1 becomes unstable and two stable equilibria l^4 and l^5 are established in a supercritical pitchfork bifurcation at $m_{un}^{A,\mathcal{M}}(l^1) = m_{st}^{A,\mathcal{M}}(l^{4,5})$. The equilibria l^4 and l^5 leave the state space through M^2 and M^3 , respectively, at $m_{un}^{A,\mathcal{M}}(l^{4,5}) = m_{st}^{A,\mathcal{M}}(M^{2,3})$. Therefore, the bifurcation pattern is analogous to that of Case III in the two-deme model (Fig. 1b). The critical migration rates $m_{un}^{A,\mathcal{M}}(l^1)$ and $m_{st}^{A,\mathcal{M}}(M^{2,3})$ depend on the number of demes n , the migration pattern \mathcal{M} , and the selection intensity s ; the former depends also on r .

For the island model, the migration rates $m_{st}^{A,\mathcal{I}}(M^{2,3})$ and $m_{un}^{A,\mathcal{I}}(l^1)$ are obtained from the two-deme model by rescaling according to (5.2):

$$m_{st}^{A,\mathcal{I}}(M^{2,3}) = 2 \left(1 - \frac{1}{n} \right) m_{st}(M^{2,3}), \tag{5.9a}$$

$$m_{un}^{A,\mathcal{I}}(l^1) = 2 \left(1 - \frac{1}{n} \right) m_{un}(l^1), \tag{5.9b}$$

where $m_{st}(M^{2,3})$ and $m_{un}(l^1)$ are the critical migration rates from the two-deme model; see (4.1) and (A.14), respectively.

The migration rates $m_{un}^{A,\mathcal{M}}(l^1)$ and $m_{st}^{A,\mathcal{M}}(M^{2,3})$ in the stepping-stone models cannot be determined analytically and are evaluated numerically in Table A.1 and Fig. 4. It is important to note that for large s they may exceed 1/2 (our maximum migration rate).

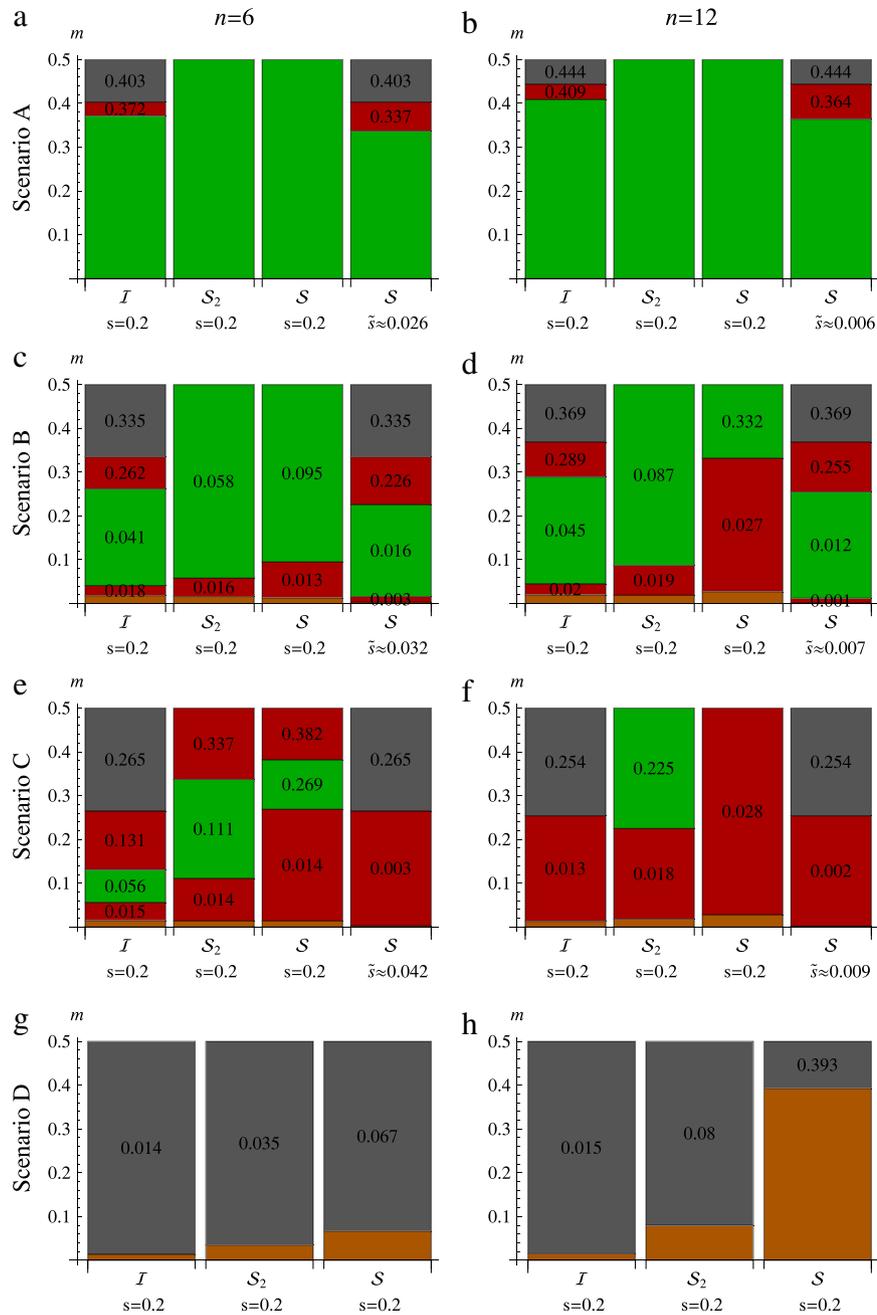


Fig. 4. Intervals of the migration rate in which the equilibrium configurations of the various selection scenarios and migration patterns occur. Colors indicate the equilibrium configurations. Orange: more than two equilibria are stable ($m \leq m_{\text{un}}^{X, \mathcal{M}(l^{2,3})}$). Red: the two internal equilibria l^4 and l^5 are stable. Green: l^1 is globally stable ($m_{\text{st}}^{X, \mathcal{M}(l^1)} \leq m \leq m_{\text{un}}^{X, \mathcal{M}(l^1)}$). Gray: M^2 and M^3 are stable. The numbers give the critical migration rate at which the corresponding configuration emerges, provided it is non-zero. The recombination rate is $r = 0.5$. (For interpretation of the references to color in this figure legend, the reader is referred to the web version of this article.)

Indeed, in the stepping-stone models rather small s is required such that $m_{\text{st}}^{A, \mathcal{M}(M^{2,3})} \leq 1/2$. Then

$$m_{\text{un}}^{X, I}(l^1) \leq m_{\text{un}}^{X, S_2}(l^1) \leq m_{\text{un}}^{X, S}(l^1), \quad (5.10)$$

$$m_{\text{st}}^{X, I}(M^{2,3}) \leq m_{\text{st}}^{X, S_2}(M^{2,3}) \leq m_{\text{st}}^{X, S}(M^{2,3}), \quad (5.11)$$

always seems to hold for $X = A$. Therefore, in the island model the equilibrium configuration of the strong-migration limit, hence a homogeneous population, is reached at lower migration rates than in the stepping-stone models. The reason is that short-range migration has a weaker homogenizing effect than distance-independent migration. For the same reason, $m_{\text{un}}^{A, S}(l^1)$, $m_{\text{un}}^{A, S_2}(l^1)$, $m_{\text{st}}^{A, S}(M^{2,3})$, and $m_{\text{st}}^{A, S_2}(M^{2,3})$ increase with the number of demes

n in the stepping-stone models. Thus, both sets of inequalities support the notion that increasing isolation by distance facilitates the maintenance of genetic variation.

Scenario B

In Scenario B, in which there are three environments (5.4b), we assume $n \in 6\mathbb{N}$. The stable internal equilibria for weak migration are obtained from Proposition 3.1 and are given in (A.24). There are $2^{n/3}$ such equilibria. If $n \geq 12$, the number of stable equilibria quickly reduces to four (the number of stable equilibria if $n = 6$) as m increases from zero. These four equilibria are l^2 , l^3 , l^4 , and l^5 (A.23).

Numerical work suggests that $m_{\text{un}}^{B, \mathcal{M}(l^{2,3})} < m_{\text{un}}^{B, \mathcal{M}(l^{4,5})}$ holds always. Therefore, the number of stable internal equilibria is

greater than or equal to four if $m < m_{\text{un}}^{\text{B},\mathcal{M}}(I^{2,3})$. If m is slightly larger than $m_{\text{un}}^{\text{B},\mathcal{M}}(I^{2,3})$, I^4 and I^5 are the only stable equilibria. Except for I^4 and I^5 all stable internal equilibria get annihilated by bifurcations with unstable internal equilibria.

The equilibria I^4 and I^5 may either leave the state space through M^2 and M^3 , respectively, or collide with the internal unstable equilibrium I^1 (A.23a). The first case is analogous to Case II.a in the two-deme model (Fig. 1c) and the second case is analogous to Case II.b in the two-deme model (Fig. 1e). If I^4 and I^5 collide with I^1 , the two stable equilibria I^4 and I^5 are annihilated and I^1 becomes stable. As the migration rate increases, I^1 gets unstable, and the two stable equilibria I^4 and I^5 are re-established. Finally, I^4 and I^5 leave the state space by transcritical bifurcations with M^2 and M^3 , respectively, at $m_{\text{st}}^{\text{B},\mathcal{M}}(M^{2,3})$.

In the island model, the migration rate $m_{\text{st}}^{\text{B},\mathcal{I}}(M^{2,3})$ can be calculated using an argument analogous to that for Scenario A by invoking Proposition A.2.2:

$$m_{\text{st}}^{\text{B},\mathcal{I}}(M^{2,3}) = \frac{3}{2} \left(1 - \frac{1}{n}\right) \tilde{m}_{\text{st}}^{\text{B},\mathcal{I}}(M^{2,3}), \tag{5.12a}$$

where

$$\tilde{m}_{\text{st}}^{\text{B},\mathcal{I}}(M^{2,3}) = \frac{30s}{4\sqrt{304 - s(128 - 49s)} + 37s - 52} \approx 1.69s + O(s^2) \tag{5.12b}$$

is derived from a linear stability analysis in the three-island model with $P_1 = -1$, $P_2 = 0$, and $P_3 = 1$. The scaling factor of $\frac{3}{2} \left(1 - \frac{1}{n}\right)$ arises because in Scenario B the probability of switching the selective environment is $2nm/[3(n-1)]$.

Comparing the numerically evaluated critical migration rates in Table A.1 for the different migration patterns, we observe that, in addition to (5.10) and (5.11) with $X = B$,

$$m_{\text{st}}^{\text{X},\mathcal{I}}(I^1) \leq m_{\text{st}}^{\text{X},S_2}(I^1) \leq m_{\text{st}}^{\text{X},S}(I^1) \tag{5.13}$$

holds for $X = B$; see also Fig. 4.

For the critical migration rate $m_{\text{un}}^{\text{B},\mathcal{M}}(I^{2,3})$, both $m_{\text{un}}^{\text{B},\mathcal{I}}(I^{2,3}) > m_{\text{un}}^{\text{B},S}(I^{2,3})$ (Fig. 4c, Table A.1, $n = 6$) and $m_{\text{un}}^{\text{B},\mathcal{I}}(I^{2,3}) < m_{\text{un}}^{\text{B},S}(I^{2,3})$ (Fig. 4d, Table A.1, $n = 12$) may hold. Therefore, in contrast to $m_{\text{un}}^{\text{B},\mathcal{M}}(I^1)$, $m_{\text{st}}^{\text{B},\mathcal{M}}(M^{2,3})$, $m_{\text{st}}^{\text{B},\mathcal{M}}(I^1)$ (see (5.10), (5.11), (5.13)), $m_{\text{un}}^{\text{B},\mathcal{M}}(I^{2,3})$ is not necessarily increasing with isolation by distance. The source of this ambiguous dependence is the following. On the one hand, strong migration homogenizes the spatial genetic differences and depletes genetic variation (this effect is determining all other critical migration rates, which are higher). On the other hand, immigrants from demes with different selective environments aid within-deme variation. The second effect becomes very weak with increasing isolation by distance because neighboring demes tend to have the same environment. It is weak if $n = 12$, but it is dominating if $n = 6$.

Scenario C

In Scenario C, the environment changes steadily (5.4c). For sufficiently weak migration the stable equilibria are given by (A.25) and their number by (A.26), which gives $2^4, 2^8$ for $n = 6, 12$, respectively. The qualitative dependence of the equilibrium configurations on m is similar to Scenario B, except that for very small m there are more equilibria. However, the bifurcation pattern corresponding to Case II.a of the two-deme model occurs much more often than that of Case II.b. Fig. 4 and Table A.1 also show that in several cases, I^1 never becomes stable (eg., the green region is missing in Fig. 4f). Finally, the inequalities (5.10), (5.11), and (5.13) hold for $X = C$ if the corresponding migration rates are between 0 and 1/2, which is not always the case.

Fig. 4f, shows that the migration pattern may affect the establishment of a globally attracting equilibrium in a non-intuitive way. Whereas the equilibrium I^1 becomes stable for S_2 , it does not for \mathcal{I} or S (see also Fig. B.1 in Appendix B, Online Supplement).

Scenario D

If there is uniform stabilizing selection toward 0, there are 2^n stable equilibria for weak migration of which $2^n - 2$ are internal; M^2 and M^3 are stable for every $m \geq 0$; see Proposition 5.2 and (A.27). The equilibria I^4 and I^5 do not exist and I^1 is never stable. In a series of pitchfork bifurcations, these $2^n - 2$ stable internal equilibria are reduced to the stable internal equilibria I^2 and I^3 , which are obtained from (A.23) with $N_1 = N_2 = N_4 = N_5 = \emptyset$. Similar to Case I of the two-deme model (Fig. 1a), the four equilibria M^2, M^3, I^2 , and I^3 are stable up to $m_{\text{un}}^{\text{D},\mathcal{M}}(I^{2,3})$. As in that case, the equilibrium configuration of the strong-migration limit applies if $m > m_{\text{na}}^{\text{D},\mathcal{M}}(I^{2,3}) > m_{\text{un}}^{\text{D},\mathcal{M}}(I^{2,3})$. Thus, in contrast to Scenarios A, B, and C, the strong-migration limit does not apply for every $m > m_{\text{st}}^{\text{D},\mathcal{M}}(M^{2,3})$. For the island model we infer the critical migration rate above which no (stable) polymorphism is possible from the two-deme model (Remark 5.1):

$$m_{\text{un}}^{\text{D},\mathcal{I}}(I^{2,3}) = 2 \left(1 - \frac{1}{n}\right) m_{\text{un}}(I^{2,3}), \tag{5.14}$$

where $m_{\text{un}}(I^{2,3})$ is the corresponding migration rate in the two-deme model. In contrast to Scenarios B and C, the influence of the different migration patterns on $m_{\text{un}}^{\text{D},\mathcal{M}}(I^{2,3})$ is simple, i.e.,

$$m_{\text{un}}^{\text{D},\mathcal{I}}(I^{2,3}) \leq m_{\text{un}}^{\text{D},S_2}(I^{2,3}) \leq m_{\text{un}}^{\text{D},S}(I^{2,3}) \tag{5.15}$$

holds (Figs. 4g,h).

5.3. Comparison and summary

If migration is sufficiently weak, the equilibrium configuration depends on the number n of demes and the selection scenario, but is independent of the migration pattern (Proposition 3.1). For sufficiently strong migration, the equilibrium configuration of the strong-migration limit applies (Proposition 3.4). It is independent of the migration pattern, the number of demes, and the selection scenario. The equilibrium configurations in the parameter range where migration and selection are intermediate can be described with the help of the critical migration rates $m_{\text{un}}^{\text{X},\mathcal{M}}(I^{2,3})$, $m_{\text{st}}^{\text{X},\mathcal{M}}(I^1)$, $m_{\text{un}}^{\text{X},\mathcal{M}}(I^1)$, and $m_{\text{st}}^{\text{X},\mathcal{M}}(M^{2,3})$. They partition the interval $0 \leq m < 1$ in up to five parts:

- (i) If $0 \leq m < m_{\text{un}}^{\text{X},\mathcal{M}}(I^{2,3})$, more than two equilibria (internal or monomorphic) are stable;
- (ii) if $m_{\text{un}}^{\text{X},\mathcal{M}}(I^{2,3}) \leq m < m_{\text{st}}^{\text{X},\mathcal{M}}(I^1)$, two internal equilibria (I^4, I^5) are stable;
- (iii) if $m_{\text{st}}^{\text{X},\mathcal{M}}(I^1) \leq m < m_{\text{un}}^{\text{X},\mathcal{M}}(I^1)$, one internal equilibrium (I^1) is stable;
- (iv) if $m_{\text{un}}^{\text{X},\mathcal{M}}(I^1) \leq m < m_{\text{st}}^{\text{X},\mathcal{M}}(M^{2,3})$, two internal equilibria (I^4, I^5) are stable;
- (v) if $m_{\text{st}}^{\text{X},\mathcal{M}}(M^{2,3}) \leq m$, the monomorphisms M^2 and M^3 are stable.

Fig. 4 displays these intervals for every selection scenario and migration model. For Scenarios B and C, all five types may occur; for Scenario A only (iii), (iv), and (v) occur; for Scenario D only (i) and (v) occur.

Comparison of the first bar with the second and third in panels a–f of Fig. 4 shows that in the stepping-stone models genetic variation is lost (gray regions) for higher migration rates than in the island model. Often these migration rates exceed 0.5; then there is no gray region. Clearly, this reflects the fact that gene flow has a stronger homogenizing effect in the absence of isolation by distance than in its presence. To demonstrate the ubiquity of this finding and to compare patterns \mathcal{I} and S in more detail, we proceed as follows. Start with \mathcal{I} for given n, s, r , and X . Denote by $\tilde{s} = \tilde{s}^{\text{X}}(m_{\text{st}}^{\text{X},\mathcal{I}}(M^{2,3}))$ the selection intensity in the corresponding stepping-stone model such that $m_{\text{st}}^{\text{X},S}(M^{2,3}) = m_{\text{st}}^{\text{X},\mathcal{I}}(M^{2,3})$, i.e.,

such that with \mathcal{S} and \tilde{s} the transition to the strong-migration limit occurs at the same m as with \mathcal{I} and s . In particular, M^2 and M^3 get stable at the same migration rate in both migration patterns.

The fourth bar in panels a–f of Fig. 4 shows the intervals in which the different equilibrium configurations occur for the stepping-stone model with selection intensity \tilde{s} . By definition of \tilde{s} , the gray regions occur above the same migration rate as for the island model (first bar). Comparison of the first and the fourth bar in panels a–f shows that in the island model with selection intensity s , the regions where l^1 is stable are larger than in the stepping-stone model with selection intensity \tilde{s} . This appears to reflect the greater importance of initial conditions in migration patterns involving isolation by distance. The number of demes has two effects on the equilibrium configuration. First, for weak migration, the number of stable internal equilibria increases with the number of demes if $X = B, C, D$. Second, in the stepping-stone models the degree of isolation by distance increases with n . Therefore, critical migration rates in the stepping-stone models increase with n (Fig. 5). For \mathcal{I} , the role of n is well understood in Scenarios A and B; see (5.9) and (5.12). However, in Scenario C, $m_{st}^{C,\mathcal{I}}(M^{2,3})$ decreases from 0.265 for $n = 6$ to 0.254 for $n = 12$. This is due to the variation of the relative sizes of N_i (3.1) as explained below Eq. (5.4).

A comparison of Scenarios A, B, and C shows that the parameter range where l^1 is stable decreases from A to C, i.e.,

$$\begin{aligned} m_{un}^{A,\mathcal{M}}(l^1) - m_{st}^{A,\mathcal{M}}(l^1) &\geq m_{un}^{B,\mathcal{M}}(l^1) - m_{st}^{B,\mathcal{M}}(l^1) \\ &\geq m_{un}^{C,\mathcal{M}}(l^1) - m_{st}^{C,\mathcal{M}}(l^1), \end{aligned} \quad (5.16)$$

where $m_{st}^{A,\mathcal{M}}(l^1) = 0$ (in Fig. 4, compare the green stacks among panels a, c, and e, as well as among b, d, and f). Also the maximum migration rate below which polymorphism is possible,

$$m_{\max} = \begin{cases} m_{st}^{X,\mathcal{M}}(M^{2,3}) & \text{if } X = A, B, C, \\ m_{un}^{D,\mathcal{M}}(l^{2,3}) & \text{if } X = D, \end{cases} \quad (5.17)$$

decreases from Scenario A to Scenario D, i.e.,

$$m_{un}^{D,\mathcal{M}}(l^{2,3}) \leq m_{st}^{C,\mathcal{M}}(M^{2,3}) \leq m_{st}^{B,\mathcal{M}}(M^{2,3}) \leq m_{st}^{A,\mathcal{M}}(M^{2,3}) \quad (5.18)$$

(Fig. 4, Table A.1). In this sense, a single abrupt change in the environment is more favorable for the maintenance of genetic variation than a more gradual change.

For weak migration the number of coexisting stable internal equilibria increases from Scenario A to D. Hence, in a more gradually changing environment, initial conditions affect evolution much more than in an environment that changes abruptly.

Similar to the two-deme model (Remark 4.5), $m_{un}^{X,\mathcal{M}}(l^{2,3})$ is increasing in r if $X \in \{B, C, D\}$; see Table A.1. The reason is that LD at the equilibria l^2 and l^3 is negative in the demes under stabilizing selection (Eq. (A.34), Fig. 8c). Therefore, more recombination increases genetic variance because it reduces the negative LD (Bürger, 2000, p. 74). The critical migration rates $m_{st}^{X,\mathcal{M}}(l^1)$ and $m_{un}^{X,\mathcal{M}}(l^1)$ may increase or decrease with r but depend only very weakly on r (Table A.1). However, $m_{st}^{X,\mathcal{M}}(M^{2,3})$ is independent of r (Proposition 3.4).

6. Clines in the mean phenotype, genetic variance, and LD

Here we investigate how the migration patterns and selection scenarios determine the spatial distribution of the population across demes. In particular, we are interested in how mean phenotype, genetic variance, and LD vary in space. We focus on the range $m > m_{un}^{X,\mathcal{M}}(l^{2,3})$ and briefly treat the case of very small migration rates, when four or more equilibria may be stable simultaneously, further below. For every migration pattern and selection scenario, as well as for representative values of s and r , we calculated the mean phenotype, the genetic variance, and the measure D of LD at

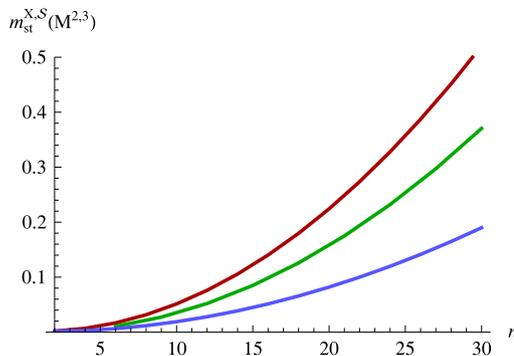


Fig. 5. The migration rate $m_{st}^{X,S}(M^{2,3})$ shown as a function of n for Scenario A (red), B (green), and C (blue). The selection intensity is $s = 0.001$. (For interpretation of the references to color in this figure legend, the reader is referred to the web version of this article.)

equilibrium in every deme and displayed them as functions of the deme number k . This was done for a fine grid of admissible migration rates (Figs. B.2–B.7 in Appendix B, Online Supplement). Fig. 6 displays representative results for one migration rate.

6.1. Clines in the mean phenotype and local adaptation

The panels in the left column of Fig. 6 display the clines in the mean phenotype. The degree of local adaptation in deme k is measured by $|\bar{G}_k - P_k|$. In most cases, the stepping-stone models favor local adaptation compared to the island model (Figs. B.2–B.4). However, the relation

$$|\bar{G}_k - P_k|_{\mathcal{I}} \geq |\bar{G}_k - P_k|_{S_2} \geq |\bar{G}_k - P_k|_{S_1} \quad (6.1)$$

is valid in every deme only in Scenario A. In Scenario B, it is the island model that maximizes local adaptation in the demes under stabilizing selection because $|\bar{G}_k - P_k|_{\mathcal{I}} = 0$ if $n/3 < k \leq 2n/3$; cf. (A.32), (A.35). However, it leads to poor adaptation in demes under directional selection (Fig. 6d). For Scenario C, counter examples to (6.1) occur in demes with stabilizing selection, e.g., if $r = 0.5$, $n = 12$, $s = 0.2$, $m = 0.02$, and $k = 6, 7$ (Fig. B.4).

6.2. Genetic variance

In a step environment (Scenario A) and with stepping-stone migration (S, S_2), the within-deme variance is always maximized in the center of the cline (Fig. 6b), and it decreases toward the boundaries. For Scenarios B and C, this does not hold: the variance may be maximized in the center or elsewhere (Figs. 6e,h). The bimodal patterns occur mainly for weak single-step migration (Figs. B.3, B.4). In the absence of migration, different haplotypes are fixed in demes with directional or stabilizing selection. Therefore, in Scenario B weak migration induces substantial variance in the demes adjacent to an environmental change. In Scenario C, the following arguments show that for weak migration the variance is bimodal. If $m = 0$, then $V_k > 0$ for $1/4 < |P_k| < 3/4$, and $V_k = 0$ otherwise (Section 3.1). Therefore, if migration is weak, the variance in the demes with $1/4 < |P_k| < 3/4$ is higher than in the demes in the center of the range or close to the boundary.

If in Scenarios B or C, migration rates are such that l^1 is the unique stable equilibrium, i.e., $m_{st}^{X,\mathcal{M}}(l^1) < m < m_{un}^{X,\mathcal{M}}(l^1)$ (whence migration is no longer weak), the genetic variance decreases from the center of the cline to its boundaries (Figs. B.3, B.4).

For the island model, the genetic variance is either spatially uniform (Scenario A) or weakly dependent on space (Scenarios B and C). In the latter case, it may be maximized or minimized in the center, or it may be bimodal (Figs. B.3, B.4).

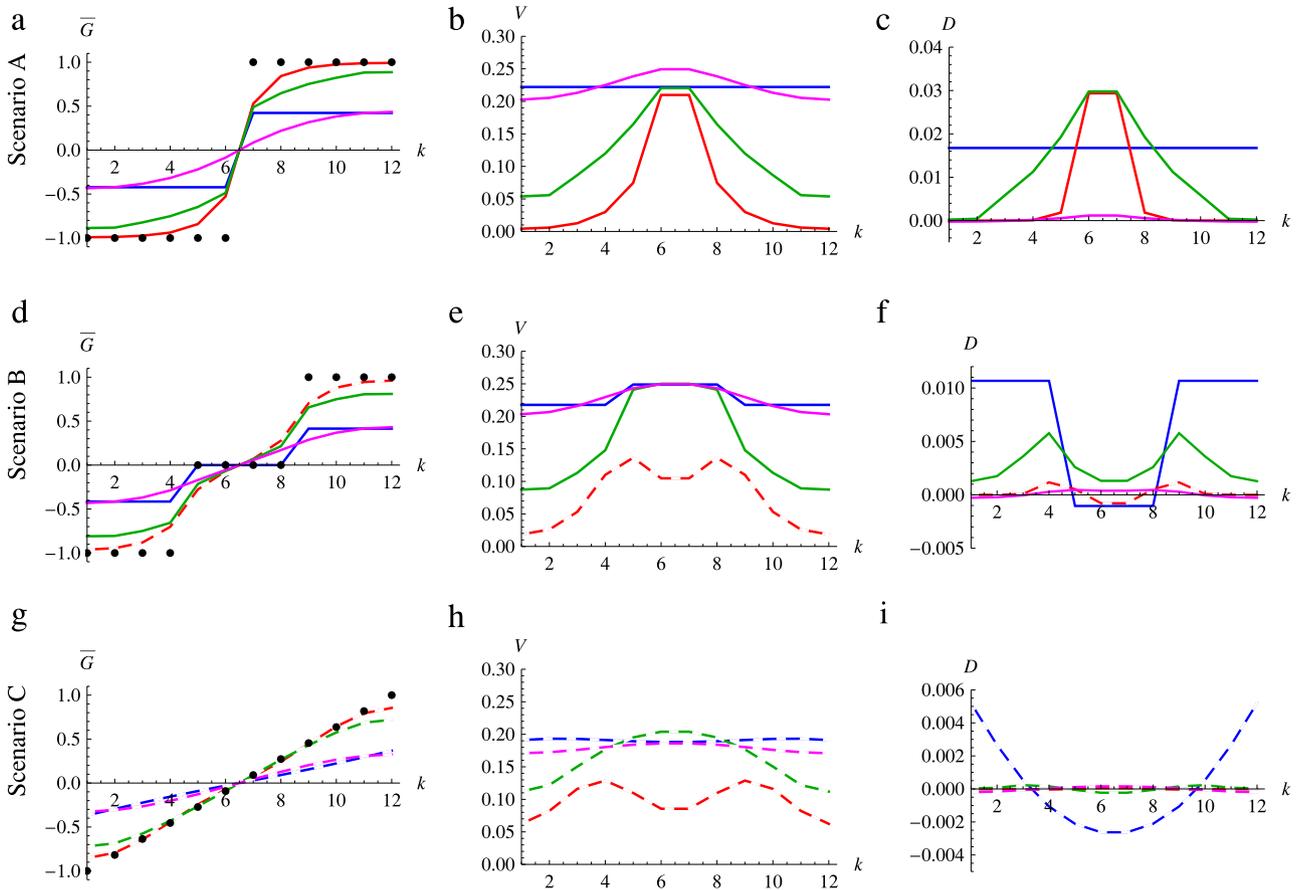


Fig. 6. Clines in the mean phenotype (left), the genetic variance (middle), and LD (right) for different selection scenarios and migration patterns. Blue lines indicate the island model, red lines the stepping-stone model, and green lines the generalized stepping-stone model. Magenta lines show the stepping-stone model with \bar{s} . The corresponding equilibrium configuration for each migration patterns can be inferred from Fig. 4. Solid lines indicate that l^1 is the unique stable equilibrium, whereas dashed lines indicate that l^4 and l^5 are simultaneously stable (they exhibit the same mean, variance, and LD). In the left column, dots mark the positions of the optimum. The parameters are $s = 0.2$, $r = 0.5$, $m = 0.13$, and $n = 12$. (For interpretation of the references to color in this figure legend, the reader is referred to the web version of this article.)

Although Fig. 6 suggests the simple relation

$$V_{k,I} \geq V_{k,S_2} \geq V_{k,S} \tag{6.2}$$

for the variances V_k (in deme k) maintained by the three migration patterns, it does not hold in general. Obviously, (6.2) is violated if $m_{st}^{X,I}(M^{2,3}) < m < m_{st}^{X,S}(M^{2,3})$, but it may also be violated if $m < m_{st}^{X,I}(M^{2,3})$ (Figs. B.2–B.4).

Finally we consider the genetic variance V_T in the entire population. It is calculated from the spatially averaged gamete frequencies and displayed in Fig. 7 as a function of m . Whereas in Scenario A, V_T is monotone decreasing in m , weak migration may increase V_T in Scenario B and Scenario C. The variance decreases rapidly when m approaches m_{max} , i.e., when the cline starts to collapse. For given m , V_T decreases from Scenario A to B to C. Further, the effect of linkage on V_T decreases from Scenario A to B to C because the absolute magnitude of LD decreases from Scenario A to B to C (Section 6.3).

6.3. Linkage disequilibrium

Linkage disequilibrium depends strongly on the selection scenario, the migration pattern, and the spatial location. In Scenario A, the situation is simple. For the stepping-stone models, D assumes its maximum in the center of the cline and decays monotonically to a very small positive or negative value at the boundaries (e.g., Fig. 6c). A similar pattern was reported by Slatkin (1975), who modeled dispersal in continuous space by diffusion and assumed nonpistatic directional selection at every location. At the

boundaries of the cline, LD may be negative ($D_1, D_n < 0$). This peculiar phenomenon is likely due to the fact that in the demes at the boundary, migration is unidirectional. In an infinite domain, LD will approach zero in increasingly distant demes. For the island model with weak migration, LD is positive and the same in all islands (A.28).

In Scenarios B and C, LD may be a complicated function of the distance from the center (Figs. 6f,i). It tends to be positive in some demes and negative in others. In Scenario B with the stepping-stone models and weak to moderate migration (Fig. 6f), LD is maximized in demes $n/3$ and $2n/3 + 1$, which are the demes under directional selection next to the environmental step. For higher migration rates, LD is usually maximized in the center of the cline (Figs. B.3, B.4). In Scenario B with I , LD assumes the same positive value in all demes under directional selection and the same positive or negative value elsewhere.

In Scenario C with stepping-stone migration, each deme is close to linkage equilibrium for a wide range of migration rates (Fig. B.4). However, the island model exhibits deviations from linkage equilibrium. They are not negligible if linkage is tight (Fig. B.7).

There are two general conclusions that can be drawn. (i) For every investigated migration pattern, Scenario A is the one in which the highest LD occurs (in the demes next to the environmental step), and Scenario C is the one in which the maximum (absolute) LD is the lowest. This does not mean that in Scenario C, LD is everywhere lower than in Scenario A. (ii) For weak and intermediate migration and each of the selection scenarios A, B, or C, the average absolute amount of LD is highest with I and lowest with S .

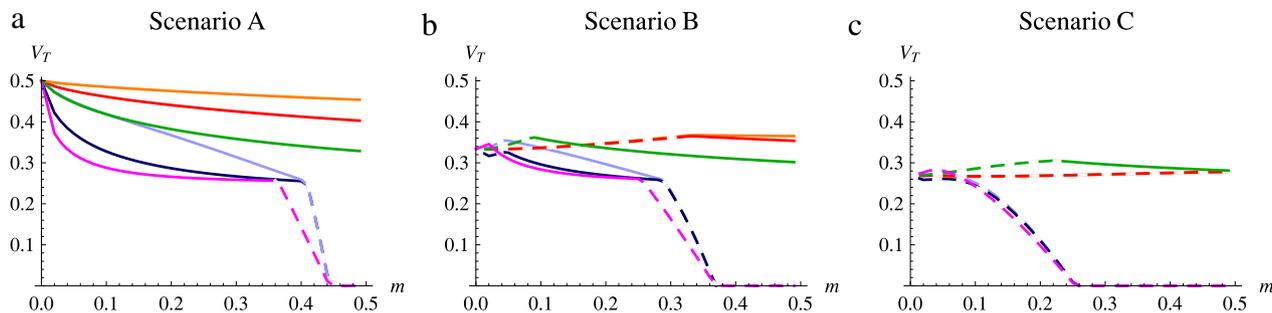


Fig. 7. The genetic variance in the entire population as a function of the migration rate. The island model (blue) is shown for $r = 0.5$ (dark) and $r = 0.05$ (light). Red and orange lines show the stepping-stone model for $r = 0.5$ and $r = 0.05$, respectively. Green and magenta lines display the generalized stepping-stone model and the stepping-stone model with \bar{s} , respectively ($r = 0.5$). At dashed lines, equilibria are simultaneously stable. For reasons of visibility only $V_T^{(4,5)}$ is shown for $m < m_{un}^{x,M}(\iota^{2,3}) \leq 0.028$, whereas V_T at the other stable equilibria is not displayed. Parameters are $s = 0.2$ and $n = 12$. (For interpretation of the references to color in this figure legend, the reader is referred to the web version of this article.)

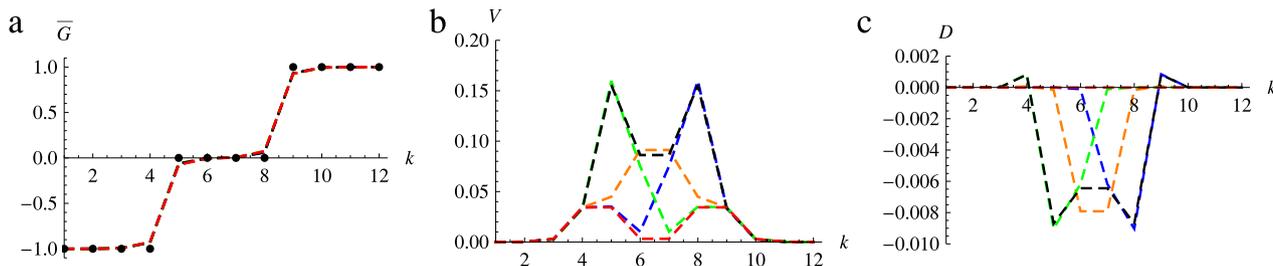


Fig. 8. Clines in the mean phenotypic value (a), in the genetic variance (b), and in LD (c) at simultaneously stable equilibria in the stepping-stone model with Scenario B and $n = 12$. The parameters are $r = 0.5$, $s = 0.2$, and $m = 0.01$ which is smaller than $m_{un}^{B,S}(\iota^{2,3}) \approx 0.028$. Ten equilibria (out of the 16 for weak migration) are stable. Five pairs exhibit different mean, variance and LD. Each color corresponds to a pair of simultaneously stable equilibria. The red dashed lines show ι^4 and ι^5 and correspond to the red lines in Figs. 6d,e,f. (For interpretation of the references to color in this figure legend, the reader is referred to the web version of this article.)

In order to explain the patterns of LD in Scenario B and C, we recall from Remark 4.3 that in the two-deme model migration induces negative LD if $0 \leq P < 3/4$ (stabilizing selection) and positive LD if $P \geq 3/4$ (directional selection). Proposition A.3 and Remark A.4 partially generalize this result: In Scenario B, weak migration induces non-positive LD in the demes under stabilizing selection and non-negative LD in the demes under directional selection. If migration connects environments under stabilizing selection with environments under directional selection (as in Scenarios B and C), negative and positive LD may offset each other. It is apparent from Fig. 6 that LD in Scenario C is much lower than in Scenario B which, in turn, is lower than in Scenario A. Its magnitude depends on the migration pattern, m , and the deme (Figs. 6f,i and Figs. B.3, B.4, B.8). The degree of isolation by distance can have an ambiguous effect on the sign of LD. In Fig. 6f ($k = 6, 7$), LD is negative for S and \mathcal{I} , but positive for S_2 .

6.4. The parameter range $0 < m < m_{un}^{x,M}(\iota^{2,3})$

In this usually very small range of migration rates (Fig. 4), at least four equilibria are simultaneously stable in Scenarios B, C, and D. These equilibria may exhibit different means and variances (Fig. 8). The maximum variance (among stable equilibria) in the center of the habitat is of the same magnitude as for intermediate migration rates; compare Fig. 6e ($m = 0.13$) with Fig. 8b ($m = 0.01$). The maximum LD (among stable equilibria) in the center of the habitat may be much higher than for intermediate migration rates; compare Fig. 6f ($m = 0.13$) with Fig. 8c ($m = 0.01$).

7. Comparison with other multilocus models

Here, we compare our results of Section 6 to previously investigated clinal multilocus models.

7.1. A neutral model

Feldman and Christiansen (1975) studied a model without selection in which two ‘continents’ are fixed for different genetic backgrounds and are connected by $n - 2$ demes with (single-step) stepping-stone migration into which they feed their genotypes. For two neutral loci, with AB fixed in deme 1 and ab fixed in deme n , there is a unique cline which is linear in the allele frequencies and globally asymptotically stable. Linkage disequilibrium is unimodal with a maximum value of

$$D_k \approx \frac{m}{r(n - 1)^2} \tag{7.1}$$

in the center of the cline. For a generalization to multiple loci, see Christiansen (1986).

Comparing Fig. 6c with the approximation $m/[r(n - 1)^2] = 0.13/(0.5 * 11^2) \approx 0.0022$ shows that LD in the neutral cline is usually much lower than in Scenario A with strong selection. However, it tends to be higher than in Scenario C (Fig. 6i), in which the cline in the mean is nearly linear. The variance in the center of the neutral cline is of the same order of magnitude as in the cline under migration–selection balance. At the boundaries, though, it is (fixed at) zero (compare Fig. B.9 with Figs. B.2–B.4).

The approximation (7.1) uses that in the model of Feldman and Christiansen (1975) allele frequencies in adjacent demes differ by $1/(n - 1)$. Kruuk et al. (1999, eq. (A.4)) generalized (7.1) to

$$D_k \approx \frac{m}{r} (p_k - p_{k+1})(q_k - q_{k+1}), \tag{7.2}$$

which assumes

$$p_{k-1} - p_k = p_k - p_{k+1}, \quad q_{k-1} - q_k = q_k - q_{k+1}. \tag{7.3}$$

Fig. B.10 shows the accuracy of approximation (7.2) for each of the selection scenarios A, B, or C. If (7.3) is approximately satisfied, as in Scenario C, (7.2) approximates LD well for small migration rates.

In the center of the cline with Scenario A (7.3) is obviously violated and (7.2) performs poorly. For the performance of an extension of (7.2) to weak selection by Barton and Shpak (2000) see Fig. B.10.

7.2. Continuous space

Several models have been set up to describe clines at multiple loci or in polygenic traits in a continuous domain. Slatkin (1975) studied the effects of linkage on the clines in allele frequency at two loci and the associated LD. He assumed a step environment on the real line, analogous to our Scenario A, and used partial differential equations of the form

$$\frac{\partial x_i}{\partial t}(y, t) = \frac{\sigma^2}{2} \frac{\partial^2 x_i}{\partial y^2}(y, t) + x_i(y, t)(w_i(y, t) - \bar{w}(y, t)) - r\eta_i D(y, t), \quad (7.4a)$$

where σ^2 is the diffusion rate, $x_i(y, t)$ and $w_i(y, t)$ are the frequency and marginal fitness, respectively, of gamete i at position y at time t , $\bar{w}(y, t)$ is the mean fitness, and $D(y, t)$ denotes LD (Appendix A.11). These equations can be deduced as an approximation to the discrete-time model (2.3) with stepping-stone migration among a large number of demes in the same way as in Nagylaki (1975, 1989), and need to be complemented by appropriate boundary conditions (usually, zero-flux conditions). Then σ^2 is the (scaled) variance in dispersal distance. By assuming absence of epistasis, dominance, and LD, the cline in allele frequencies, i.e., the non-trivial equilibrium solution, can be calculated explicitly (Slatkin, 1975). However, he also showed numerically that, even in the absence of epistasis, LD is positive, maximized in the center of the cline, and decaying to zero with increasing distance from the center. If the loci are tightly linked, D may approach its maximum value of $1/4$ at the center. In addition, a decreasing recombination rate steepens the cline in allele frequencies because stronger LD strengthens selection (Barton and Shpak, 2000).

Felsenstein (1977), Slatkin (1978), and Barton (1983, 1999) investigated models of stabilizing selection on a quantitative trait by approximating gene flow by diffusion. Since the models of Felsenstein (1977) and Slatkin (1978) occur as limiting or special cases of Barton's models (and are discussed there), we focus on two of Barton's models but ignore mutation. Under the assumptions of a Gaussian distribution of allelic effects at each of L loci and of linkage equilibrium, Barton (1999, eqs. (4) and (5)) obtained Eqs. (A.38) for the evolution of the mean and the variance of the trait. As discussed there, the assumption of a Gaussian allelic distribution is rather restrictive; however, if it holds and the optimum changes gradually, the assumption of linkage equilibrium is supported by Felsenstein's (1977) analysis. Barton (1999, eq. (10)) also investigated a model in which n diallelic loci of equal effect and in linkage equilibrium contribute to the trait. For two loci, his 'rare-allele model' is specified in (A.39). It is equivalent to (7.4) if $D(y, t) \equiv 0$ is assumed in (7.4).

In Figs. 9, B.11, our results for S with 12 demes are compared with the diffusion approximation (7.4) and with Barton's models (A.38) and (A.39). To compare the diffusion approximations with our discrete model, we assumed that the habitat is the interval $[1, 12]$. Therefore, the boundary conditions

$$\frac{\partial x_i}{\partial y}(1, t) = \frac{\partial x_i}{\partial y}(12, t) = 0 \quad \text{for every } i \text{ and every } t \geq 0 \quad (7.4b)$$

are imposed. The diffusion rate σ^2 , calculated as the variance in dispersal distance, depends on the position of the demes; see (A.41), (A.42), (A.43). Because $\sigma^2 = m$ holds to a close approximation (A.44), we use this as the uniform value. Equations (A.38), (A.39), and (7.4) were solved by using the *Mathematica* routine *NDSolve* and assuming spatially uniform initial conditions.

Figs. 9, B.11 show that the 12-deme and the PDE models yield similar clines in the mean phenotype. In Scenario A, the clines for linked loci are slightly steeper in the center of the cline than for unlinked ones. This was already predicted by Slatkin (1975) for a model with linear directional selection. In Scenario C, the Gaussian model (A.38) leads to less adaptation than all other models near the boundaries of the habitat. The Gaussian model also exhibits large deviations from the variance maintained in all other models. This may not be too surprising because a Gaussian distribution of allelic effects is not suitable to approximate the distribution in a diallelic model. This could be different for models with many or a continuum of alleles.

In general, mean, variance, and LD in the 12-deme stepping-stone model are very accurately approximated by the PDE model (7.4), although with stronger dispersal the approximation for LD may become slightly less accurate (Fig. B.11 f, j). If LD is low, whether recombination is strong or weak, Barton's linkage equilibrium approximation (A.39) for the mean and the variance is essentially indistinguishable from that based on (7.4). If LD is large, which is the case only in Scenario A near the environmental step, it affects the genetic variance to a notable extent. Then it leads to an elevated variance near the environmental step which, in turn, entails a slightly steeper gradient of the cline in the mean.

The clines in the mean, variance, and LD displayed in Figs. 9, B.11 are unique although in Scenarios B and C the underlying genotype-frequency equilibria are not. In fact, there are pairs of stable equilibria that have the same mean, variance, and LD (cf. Fig. 6 and Proposition 5.2). If migration is much weaker than selection, the clines in the variance and in LD are no longer uniquely determined as already shown for the stepping-stone model (Fig. 8).

7.3. Loci with unequal effects

If unequal locus effects ($\kappa < 1$) and arbitrary linkage are admitted, there is a much larger number of possible equilibrium configurations. Already for $n = 2$, the analysis is much more intricate than that in Section 4 (cf. Geroldinger and Bürger, 2014). There are several reasons for these complications.

(i) Single-locus polymorphisms may be stable for $m \geq 0$ and their stability depends in a complicated way on r and κ .

(ii) Four different equilibrium configurations can occur in the limit of strong migration, one with a globally asymptotically stable internal equilibrium, one with two locally stable internal equilibria, one with two locally stable SLPs, and the one with M^2 and M^3 locally stable (see Bürger, 2000, p. 207). The latter applies if and only if $1/2 \leq \kappa \leq 1$ and $r \geq r_1$, where $r_1 = (-1 - \kappa^2 + 2\sqrt{1 - \kappa^2 + \kappa^4})/[3(1 + \kappa)^2]$. In this case a numerical linear stability analysis shows that $m_{st}^{X, M}(M^{2,3})$ decreases in κ .

(iii) The definition (A.23) of the equilibria I^1, I^2, I^3, I^4 , and I^5 can be extended to $\kappa < 1$. However, the movement of the equilibria in the state space with increasing migration rate is much more complicated. Nevertheless, for a large set in the parameter space either two equilibria (I^4 and I^5) are simultaneously stable or a unique stable equilibrium (I^1) exists. In contrast to $\kappa = 1$, where pairs of equilibria (such as I^2, I^3 or I^4, I^5) have the same mean, variance, and LD, this not so if $\kappa < 1$. A frequently occurring analogue of the patterns in Fig. 6 is shown in Fig. B.12.

8. Discussion

Here we recapitulate our model and results in a non-technical way and discuss the relation to previous literature. The purpose of this work was to investigate the effects of migration patterns and selection scenarios on the maintenance and the properties of clines in a quantitative trait. We assumed that the trait is determined additively by two diallelic, recombining loci. Fitness decays

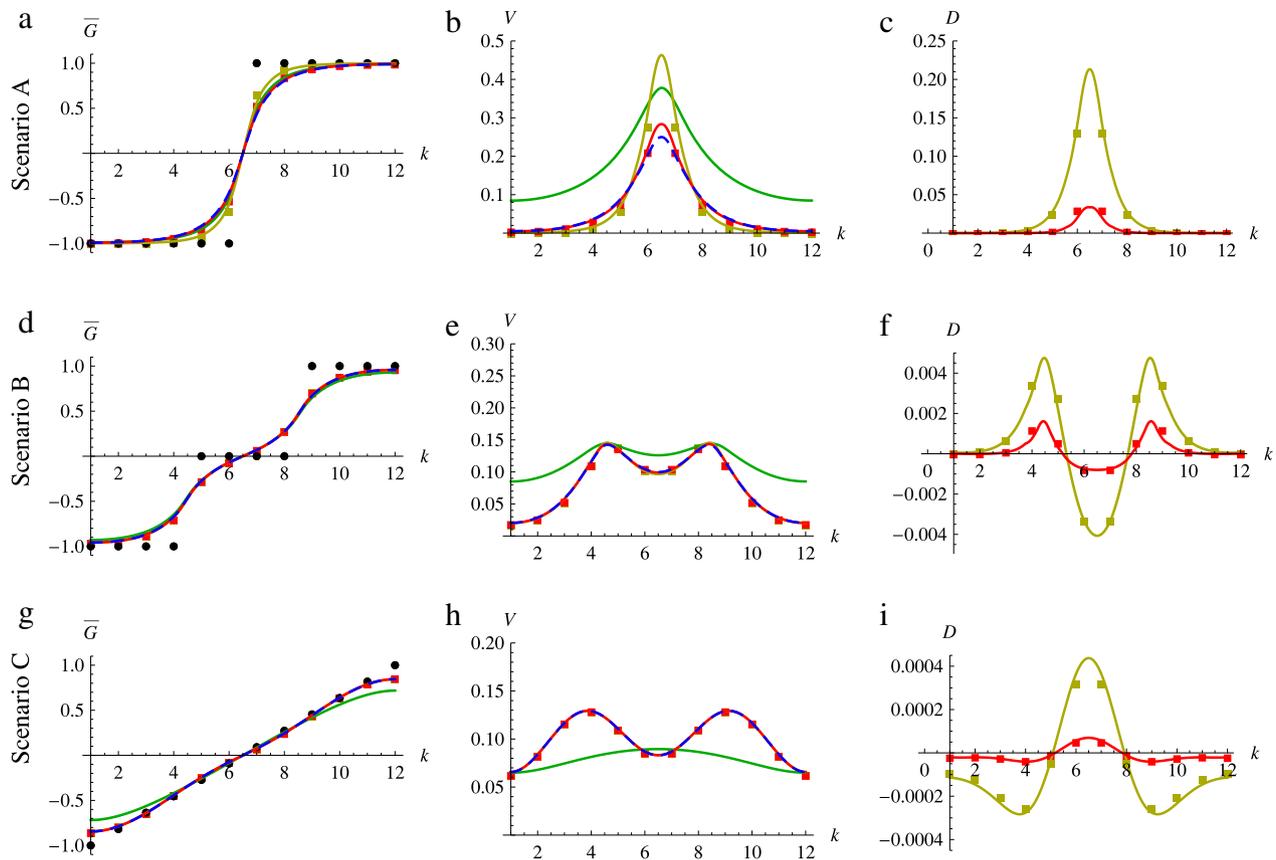


Fig. 9. Clines in the mean phenotype (left), the genetic variance (middle), and LD (right) for the Gaussian PDE model (A.38) (green lines), Barton's PDE model (A.39) which assumes linkage equilibrium (blue dashed lines), and our model (7.4). The model (7.4) is shown for $r = 0.01$ (yellow lines) and $r = 0.5$ (red lines). Because (A.38) and (A.39) assume linkage equilibrium, LD is shown only for (7.4). Yellow and red dots show clines from the 12-deme stepping-stone model for $r = 0.01$ and $r = 0.5$, respectively. In panels d, e, g, and h, blue dashed, yellow, and red lines overlap. Other parameters are $s = 0.2$ and $\sigma^2 = m = 0.13$. (For interpretation of the references to color in this figure legend, the reader is referred to the web version of this article.)

quadratically from a phenotypic optimum. Because the position of the optimum, which depends on space, may be anywhere within the range of possible phenotypes, the trait may be under stabilizing or directional selection.

The population is subdivided into $n \geq 2$ discrete demes, representing different locations in space (Section 2), or inhabits continuous space, i.e., a bounded one-dimensional interval (Section 7.2). One of the advantages of using discrete demes is that different migration patterns can be modeled easily, whereas diffusion models are based on the assumption that there is mainly short-distance migration and evolutionary forces are weak. In particular, we used the island model (denoted by \mathcal{I}), in which there is no distance because every island (deme) is reached with the same probability, the single-step stepping-stone model (\mathcal{S}), and a multi-step stepping-stone model (\mathcal{S}_2) in which more distant demes can be reached with reduced probability (Section 5.1). Demes are ordered from 1 to n , although this (spatial) order is irrelevant in the island model. If $n = 2$, all three migration patterns coincide. Therefore, the analysis of the two-deme model in Section 4 is of central importance.

In addition, we employed four different selection scenarios. They are illustrated in Fig. 3. In Scenario A, the phenotypic optimum is at the left boundary of the phenotypic range in demes $1, \dots, n/2$ (n even) and at the right boundary in the others. Thus, there is a single, abrupt environmental change in the middle of the spatial domain. In Scenario B, there is directional selection toward the extreme phenotypes (as in Scenario A) in the left and the right third of demes, whereas the trait is under stabilizing selection in the middle third. Thus, there are two environmental steps and

hybrids are favored in the middle of the spatial range. In Scenario C, the phenotypic optimum changes linearly from the left to the right boundary of the phenotypic range, thus reflecting a gradual change of the environment. In Scenario D, there is spatially uniform stabilizing selection toward the middle of the phenotypic range.

In the hybrid zone literature, selection schemes which disfavor hybrids everywhere (Scenario A) are sometimes referred to as 'ecotone zone', whereas selection schemes which favor intermediate genotypes (Scenarios B and C) are also known as 'hybrid superiority zones' (Kawakami and Butlin, 2012). Although we assume exogenous selection, selection is not purely exogenous in the sense of Kruuk et al. (1999) because our fitnesses display dominance and epistasis.

Our study complements or extends previous investigations that were based on diffusion models in several ways. For instance, Felsenstein (1977) and Slatkin (1978) assumed a multivariate normal distribution of allelic effects. Felsenstein assumed a linearly changing optimum, as in our Scenario C, whereas Slatkin considered Scenarios A and C. Slatkin (1975) studied a diallelic two-locus diffusion model with a step environment (Scenario A) that can be interpreted as a model of a quantitative trait under linear directional selection. Except for different assumptions about selection, Slatkin's (1975) model is identical to our diffusion model (7.4). Barton (1983) and Barton and Shpak (2000) assumed multiple loci and spatially independent (endogenous) selection against hybrids (without or with epistasis, respectively). Kruuk et al. (1999) compared aspects of models of endogenous selection with a model similar to our Scenario C. Barton (1999) investigated

a diffusion-based model that is equivalent to our diffusion model (7.4), except that he ignores LD. He compared his so-called rare-alleles model to several of the above mentioned models (which are stated in Appendix A.11).

Because clines result from polymorphic equilibria, we first summarize the results about equilibrium configurations and bifurcation patterns. The important limiting cases of weak and of strong migration are analyzed in Section 3. They apply to every migration pattern and selection scenario.

If migration is sufficiently weak relative to selection, then in selection scenarios B, C, and D there are multiple, simultaneously stable polymorphic equilibria for every migration pattern. Their number increases (approximately) exponentially in n and, for given n , from B to C to D (Section 5.2). For Scenarios B and C, the critical migration rate below which more than two polymorphic equilibria are simultaneously stable is usually one or two orders of magnitude smaller than the selection parameter s . This range is indicated by the orange bars in Fig. 4. Its upper bound is the critical migration rate $m_{\text{un}}^{\text{X},\mathcal{M}}(l^{2,3})$ (see also Table A.1). For Scenario A and weak (or moderate) migration, there is always a unique fully polymorphic equilibrium (l^1), i.e., $m_{\text{un}}^{\text{X},\mathcal{M}}(l^{2,3}) = 0$.

If migration is sufficiently strong relative to selection, then no polymorphism is maintained for any selection scenario or migration pattern because one of the haplotypes with intermediate phenotype (Ab or aB) swamps the whole population. In this case, the monomorphic equilibria M^2 and M^3 are the only stable equilibria. The critical migration rate m_{max} above which no stable polymorphism can be maintained is given by $m_{\text{st}}^{\text{X},\mathcal{M}}(M^{2,3})$ for Scenarios $X = A, B, C$ and by $m_{\text{un}}^{\text{D},\mathcal{M}}(l^{2,3})$ for Scenario D; see (5.17). The gray regions in Fig. 4 show $m \geq m_{\text{max}}$. Notably, for every given migration pattern, m_{max} decreases from Scenario A to B to C to D (5.18). Hence, in a step environment stable polymorphic equilibria can be maintained for much higher gene flow than in a gradually changing environment.

As the number of demes increases, m_{max} increases slowly (in proportion to $1 - 1/n$) for the island model and Scenarios A, B, and D; Eqs. (5.9), (5.12), (5.14). In Scenario C, this can be violated for reasons explained in Section 5.3. For the stepping-stone model, m_{max} increases faster than linear in n for Scenarios A, B, and C (Fig. 5). This much faster increase is not surprising because isolation by distance increases with the number of demes. Finally, for any given selection scenario, m_{max} increases from \mathcal{I} to \mathcal{S}_2 to \mathcal{S} , again supporting the intuition that increasing isolation by distance facilitates the maintenance of polymorphism.

The range of migration rates between the critical values $m_{\text{un}}^{\text{X},\mathcal{M}}(l^{2,3})$ and m_{max} can be partitioned into up to three different intervals in which there is either a unique, globally asymptotically stable internal equilibrium, l^1 , or a pair of asymptotically stable internal equilibria, l^4 and l^5 (Section 5.3). For Scenario D, such an intermediate range does not exist because $m_{\text{max}} = m_{\text{un}}^{\text{X},\mathcal{M}}(l^{2,3})$. The range of migration rates for which there is a unique stable equilibrium decreases from Scenario A to B to C to D, for which it vanishes (Fig. 4, Table A.1). Interestingly, every bifurcation pattern that was found for $n > 2$ in any of the selection scenarios occurs in essentially the same form for a certain range of positions of the optima (P and $-P$) in the two-deme model of Section 4. They are displayed in Fig. 1. The only qualitative difference is that for two demes and weak migration, at most two internal equilibria are stable instead of many (up to $2^n - 2$ in Scenario D).

Stable polymorphic equilibria give rise to (stable) clines. Because our interest is in quantitative traits and how local adaptation and genetic variation depend on migration patterns and selection scenarios, we studied clines in the mean phenotype and in the (total) genetic variance. In addition, we investigated LD and its spatial dependence. Except for very weak migration ($m < m_{\text{un}}^{\text{X},\mathcal{M}}(l^{2,3})$), when there are many simultaneously stable equilibria, the clines in

the mean, variance, and LD are unique even if the underlying polymorphic equilibria differ. This is due to the symmetry assumptions of the model (cf. Fig. B.11).

In the language of hybrid zones, the results discussed above show that in a hybrid superiority zone clines exist only for lower migration rates than in an ecotone zone and, for very low migration rates, initial conditions play a more important role because of the existence of multiple clines. The reason for the former finding is that in a hybrid superiority zone, the haplotypes Ab and aB swamp the entire population easier than in an ecotone zone.

The shape of the clines is strongly influenced by both the migration pattern and by the selection scenario. This is exemplified by Fig. 6 and documented extensively by Figs. B.2–B.4. In most cases, the degree of local adaptation (as measured by the deviation of the mean from the optimum) increases from migration pattern \mathcal{I} to \mathcal{S}_2 to \mathcal{S} , i.e., with increasing isolation by distance. This seems to be universally true for Scenario A, but is violated for Scenario B in the demes with stabilizing selection (e.g., Fig. 6d). In these demes, the island model provides maximum adaptation, whereas in the demes with directional selection the stepping-stone model (\mathcal{S}) maximizes local adaptation. There are also rare exceptions in Scenario C.

For the island model, the genetic variance is spatially uniform in Scenario A and weakly dependent on space in Scenarios B and C. In the latter, it may be maximized or minimized in the center, or it may be bimodal (Figs. B.3, B.4). For the stepping-stone models and a step environment (Scenario A), the genetic variance is always maximized in the center of the cline and decreases toward its boundaries. For Scenarios B and C, the variance may be maximized in the center or elsewhere (Figs. 6e,h). Distinctive bimodal patterns occur mainly for weak single-step migration (Figs. B.3, B.4). The modes occur in demes at the boundary between regions of stabilizing and of directional selection.

An increase in m has a simple effect on local adaptation: it is progressively reduced until the cline collapses at m_{max} . Its effects on the genetic variance are more complex, as is documented by Figs. B.2–B.4. However, the variance V_T of the total population is rather insensitive to changes of m over a wide range (Fig. 7). It may be slowly decreasing in m or be maximized at intermediate values. In Scenario A, tight linkage may substantially increase V_T , whereas it is almost independent of r in Scenario B and C.

Next, we discuss LD and the role of recombination. The examples presented in Fig. 6 are representative for a large range of parameters. A much more complete picture is obtained from Figs. B.2–B.4 for $r = 0.5$ and Figs. B.5–B.7 for $r = 0.05$. Although the details are complex, some general conclusions emerge.

(i) The highest linkage disequilibria occur in Scenario A in the demes adjacent to the environmental step. LD is always positive, as is expected under a balance between directional selection and migration (Li and Nei, 1974, Christiansen and Feldman, 1975, Slatkin, 1975, Bürger and Akerman, 2011, Akerman and Bürger, 2014b), although this is not universally true in the presence of epistasis (Geroldinger and Bürger, 2014). Of course, LD increases with tighter linkage.

(ii) In Scenario C, LD is very weak under stepping-stone migration. This is in line with Felsenstein's (1977) result that for normally distributed allelic effects and a linearly changing optimum, LD is absent at equilibrium. For the island model, small positive LD is maintained in the demes under directional selection and small negative LD otherwise.

(iii) The most complex patterns occur for Scenario B because in the central demes there is stabilizing selection which induces negative LD. In general, the absolute magnitude of LD is between those of Scenarios A and C, and stronger recombination obviously reduces LD. The typical spatial patterns are displayed in Fig. 6f. Interestingly, for the stepping-stone models, LD is nearly absent for

weak or moderately strong migration, but becomes appreciable for strong migration. For the island model, essentially the opposite is true; LD is relatively high for low migration and vanishes for large m (see Fig. B.8 for details). The reason for this finding is the different degree of mixing exhibited by the migration patterns.

Because LD is low in Scenario B and almost absent in Scenario C, the clines in the mean and the variance are hardly affected by recombination or LD. In Scenario A, recombination and LD affect the clines as follows. Because lower r induces higher LD, the variance is somewhat inflated if the increase in LD is sufficiently high. For the stepping-stone model, this occurs near the center of the cline, and for the island model it is a spatially universal effect (Fig. B.5). As in Slatkin's (1975) model, reduced r leads to a slightly steeper cline and to a slight increase in local adaptation. The reason is that stronger positive LD strengthens selection at each locus (cf. Barton, 1983).

The approximations for LD based on the assumptions of neutrality (7.3) or quasi-linkage equilibrium (Barton and Shpak, 2000, Eq. (14)) perform well in Scenarios B and C if migration is sufficiently weak, so that LD is very small (Fig. B.10). In Scenario A, but not otherwise, a variant of (7.3) performs very well over a wide range of migration rates. If migration is not weak, the neutral approximation (7.3) tends to overestimate LD, whereas the quasi-linkage-equilibrium approximation tends to underestimate it.

The majority of our numerical results is based on the assumption of strong selection. The choice $s = 0.2$ in many of the figures implies that in the demes under directional selection, the fitness of the least fit phenotype is only 20% of that of the optimum phenotype. In Scenario A, this applies to every deme. Nevertheless, comparison of the 12-deme model to the diffusion model (7.4), whose derivation is based on the assumption of weak evolutionary forces (Nagylaki, 1975, 1989), shows excellent concordance (Figs. 9, B.11). Therefore, most of our discussion above carries over to the corresponding diffusion models. These figures (as well as the discussion above) also show that Barton's (1999) 'rare-alleles' diffusion model (Eq. (A.39) in Appendix A), which ignores LD, provides accurate approximations to the clines in the mean and the variance unless loci are tightly linked. The Gaussian model (Eq. (A.38)) yields almost accurate clines in the mean, but distinctively deviant ones in the variance.

Finally, most of our analysis is based on symmetry assumptions. Throughout, we assumed a one-to-one correspondence of demes in which the phenotypic optimum is P or $-P$, and we assumed symmetric migration (3.7). Most of the analysis is also based on the assumption of loci of equal effects. Deviation from any of these assumptions will have multiple consequences. First, most pitchfork bifurcations will be replaced by (pairs of) saddle-node bifurcations. Second, different polymorphic equilibria will give rise to different clines, hence clines in the mean, variance, and LD will no longer be unique, unless there is a unique polymorphic equilibrium (corresponding to l^1). Third, stability of single-locus polymorphisms will be facilitated. Fourth, even in the limit of strong migration, a globally stable fully polymorphic equilibrium (hence a cline) can be maintained if locus effects are sufficiently different and linkage is tight (Section 7.3). Therefore, m_{\max} can be infinite. As demonstrated by Geroldinger and Bürger (2014) for a haploid model, even if m_{\max} is finite, a reduction of the ratio κ of locus effects can lead to an increase or a decrease of m_{\max} , depending on whether recombination is low or high. Fifth, deviation from the symmetry assumptions about selection or migration will, in general, lead to a reduction of m_{\max} by facilitating fixation of the haplotype with the highest mean fitness, i.e., averaged across demes and weighted by the principal eigenvector of the migration matrix.

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Appendix A. Appendix

A.1. The internal equilibrium for $m = 0$

We prove that in a panmictic population a unique internal equilibrium F exists if $0 \leq P < 3/4$. If $P \geq 3/4$, no internal equilibrium exists and M^4 is globally asymptotically stable. The case $P \leq 0$ follows from symmetry. Under the assumption of linkage equilibrium, this result was shown by Hastings and Hom (1990)

The dynamics is given by (2.3a), where we suppress the deme label k . From (2.3a) we deduce easily

$$\frac{x'_2}{x'_3} - \frac{x_2}{x_3} = \frac{r w_{14}(x_3 - x_2)D}{x_3(x_3 w_3 + r w_{14}D)}. \quad (\text{A.1})$$

Therefore, equilibria satisfy $x_2 = x_3$ or $D = 0$. From the recursion for D , it is easily verified that an internal equilibrium does not satisfy $D = 0$. Therefore, every internal equilibrium satisfies $x_2 = x_3$ or, equivalently in terms of allele frequencies, $p = q$. We leave the proof that in the simple case of $P = 0$ the unique internal equilibrium is given by $p = q = 1/2$ and $D = (4r - \sqrt{16r^2 + s^2})/(4s)$ to the reader. As in the main text we assume $r > 0$.

From (2.3a), we deduce easily

$$\bar{w}(p' - p) = \frac{s}{4} [p(1-p)(3 - 4P - 2p - 4q) + D(1 - 4P - 2q)]. \quad (\text{A.2})$$

By solving $p' - p = 0$ we find that every equilibrium with $p = q$ satisfies

$$D = -\frac{p(1-p)(6p + 4P - 3)}{2p + 4P - 1}. \quad (\text{A.3})$$

From the constraints $x_i \geq 0$ and $\sum_{i=1}^4 x_i = 1$, one obtains that D has to fulfill

$$-\min\{pq, (1-p)(1-q)\} \leq D \leq \min\{p(1-q), (1-p)q\}. \quad (\text{A.4})$$

If $p = q$, $P > 0$, and $r > 0$, straightforward calculations show that D given by (A.3) satisfies (A.4) if and only if $0 < p < 1/2$ and $1/2 < p + P < 3/4$, which can be rearranged as

$$\pi_1 < p < \pi_2, \quad (\text{A.5})$$

where $\pi_1 = \max\{0, \frac{1}{2} - P\}$ and $\pi_2 = \min\{\frac{1}{2}, \frac{3}{4} - P\}$.

Substituting $q = p$ and (A.3) into $D' = D$, we obtain that the coordinate p of an internal equilibrium must be a zero of the quartic polynomial

$$\psi(p) = \phi_1(p) - \phi_2(p), \quad (\text{A.6a})$$

where

$$\phi_1(p) = 4^3 s \left(\frac{1}{2} - p\right) \left(p + P - \frac{1}{2}\right) \times \left(\frac{3}{4} - p - P\right) \left(p + P - \frac{1}{4}\right), \quad (\text{A.6b})$$

$$\phi_2(p) = 12r(1 - sp^2) \left(p + 2P - \frac{1}{2}\right) \left(p + \frac{2}{3}P - \frac{1}{2}\right). \quad (\text{A.6c})$$

Now we assume $0 < P < 3/4$. By distinguishing the three cases $0 < P \leq 1/4$, $1/4 < P < 1/2$, and $1/2 \leq P < 3/4$, the following can be shown, where we assume (A.5):

- (i) $\phi_1(\pi_1) \geq 0 > \phi_2(\pi_1)$ and $0 = \phi_1(\pi_2) < \phi_2(\pi_2)$,
- (ii) $\phi_1(p_0) > 0$ if $p_0 \in (\pi_1, \pi_2)$,
- (iii) if $p_0 \in (\pi_1, \pi_2)$, then $\frac{d\phi_1}{dp}(p_0) > 0$ implies $\frac{d^2\phi_1}{dp^2}(p_0) < 0$,
- (iv) ϕ_1 has no minimum in (π_1, π_2) (follows from (iii)) and at most one (local) maximum,
- (v) if ϕ_1 has no maximum in (π_1, π_2) , it is strictly monotone decreasing (occurs only if $P \lesssim 0.629$),
- (vi) $\frac{d\phi_2}{dp}(p_0) > 0$ and $\frac{d^2\phi_2}{dp^2}(p_0) > 0$ for every $p_0 \in (\pi_1, \pi_2)$.

Therefore, there exists a unique \hat{p} satisfying (A.5) and $\psi(\hat{p}) = 0$. Because the interval (A.5) contains the admissible solutions, \hat{p} gives rise to the unique internal equilibrium F. In addition, $\phi_2(1/2 - 2P/3) = 0$ implies $\hat{p} > 1/2 - 2P/3$, whence $\hat{D} < 0$. If $P \rightarrow 3/4$, then $\hat{p} \rightarrow 0$ and $F \rightarrow M^4$.

Finally, we prove global asymptotic stability of M^4 if $P \geq 3/4$. First, assume $p + q < 1$. Then $pq < (1-p)(1-q)$ and (A.4) shows that $D \geq -pq$. Substituting this into (A.2) and observing that $1 - 4P - 2q < 0$, we deduce that

$$\bar{w}(p' - p) \leq -\frac{s}{4}p(1-p-q)(4P-3+2p+2q) < 0 \quad (\text{A.7})$$

if $p > 0$. Similarly, $\bar{w}(p' - p) < 0$ if $p + q > 1$. Therefore, $p(t)$ converges monotonically to 0. By symmetry, the same holds for $q(t)$.

A.2. Proof of Proposition 3.1

If $m = 0$, the equilibrium configuration in deme k is determined by the position of the optimum P_k , which partitions the phenotypic range into five intervals with differing equilibrium configurations (Section 3.1). Accordingly, the sets N_i in Proposition 3.1 partition the set of demes into five groups. It can be verified that M_k^1, G_k, H_k, J_k , and M_k^4 are hyperbolic if $k \in N_1, k \in N_2, k \in N_3, k \in N_4$, and $k \in N_5$, respectively. Depending on the values P_k , up to four sets N_i can be empty. From the results in Section 3.1 and the perturbation theory in Karlin and McGregor (1972b) it follows immediately that the equilibria given by (3.5) exist and are asymptotically stable. The equilibria in (3.6) are admissible because they are perturbations of either the only internal unstable equilibrium (F) or of transversally stable equilibria, whose unstable components (F_k) are internal.

A.3. Proof of Proposition 3.4

The derivation of the first statement follows from the perturbation theory in Bürger (2009) is analogous to that in Section 5 of Geroldinger and Bürger (2014). It is based on the fact that for sufficiently strong migration the dynamics (2.3) converges to its so called strong-migration limit in which the genotype frequencies become identical among demes (Nagylaki and Lou, 2007; Bürger, 2009). The strong-migration limit has the same dynamics as the continuous-time version of the panmictic model in Section 3.1, but with suitably averaged optimum \bar{P} . Assumption (3.7) implies that $\bar{P} = 0$ for every n . The uniqueness of the internal equilibrium follows from Appendix A.1 or Bürger (2000), p. 207.

Because $\kappa = 1$, the equilibrium configuration of the panmictic model with $\bar{P} = 0$, and hence the equilibrium configuration of the strong-migration limit, is independent of the recombination rate r (Bürger, 2000, p. 208).

Second, we prove that the critical migration rate $m_{st}^{X,M}(M^{2,3})$ at which M^2 and M^3 become asymptotically stable is independent of r . We consider allele frequencies p_k, q_k , and LD D_k instead of gamete frequencies and assume the following ordering of the

variables $(p_1, \dots, p_n, q_1, \dots, q_n, D_1, \dots, D_n)$. Then the Jacobian of the discrete dynamics (2.3) at M^2 or M^3 (expressed in terms p_k, q_k , and D_k) is of the form

$$J = \begin{pmatrix} \mathcal{M}J_p & 0 & \mathcal{M}\tilde{J}_p \\ 0 & \mathcal{M}J_q & \mathcal{M}\tilde{J}_q \\ 0 & 0 & \mathcal{M}J_D \end{pmatrix}, \quad (\text{A.8})$$

where each block is an $n \times n$ matrix. The matrices $J_p, \tilde{J}_p, J_q, \tilde{J}_q$, and J_D are diagonal matrices resulting from linearization of the dynamics in the absence of migration. Obviously, the set of eigenvalues of J is the union of the sets of eigenvalues of $\mathcal{M}J_p, \mathcal{M}J_q$, and $\mathcal{M}J_D$. The first two sets are independent of r because they pertain to the marginal one-locus systems corresponding to M^2 or M^3 .

Because $\kappa = 1$, the diagonal entries of J_D are $1 - r$, whence the eigenvalues of $\mathcal{M}J_D$ are $(1 - r)\lambda_k$, where λ_k is the k th eigenvalue of \mathcal{M} . Because $|\lambda_k| \leq 1$, the stability conditions of M^2 and M^3 are independent of r .

If $\kappa < 1$, the eigenvalues of $\mathcal{M}J_D$ are $(1 - r)(w_{14,k}/w_{22,k})\lambda_k$. Because $w_{14,k}/w_{22,k}$ depends on k and may exceed unity, $m_{st}^{X,M}(M^{2,3})$ depends on r .

A.4. Approximations of equilibria

If all evolutionary forces are weak, the discrete dynamical system (2.3) can be approximated by the following system of differential equations

$$\dot{x}_{i,k} = \frac{d}{dt} x_{i,k} = x_{i,k}(w_{i,k} - \bar{w}_k) - \eta_i r D_k + \sum_{l=1}^n \tilde{m}_{kl} x_{i,l}, \quad (\text{A.9})$$

where $\tilde{m}_{kl} = m_{kl} - \delta_{kl}$ and δ_{kl} is the Kronecker-Delta. The systems (A.9) and (2.3) have the same equilibrium configurations if r is re-defined. A derivation of (A.9) from (2.3) can be found in Section 5.3 of Bürger (2009).

In the following we present approximations for the coordinates of the equilibria l^1, l^2, l^3, l^4 and l^5 by assuming (A.9) and $n = 2$. The accuracy of these approximations is demonstrated in Fig. B.13. Under the assumption of linkage equilibrium ($D = 0$), l^1 is given by (4.4) and

$$p_1(l^1) = q_1(l^1) = \frac{1}{2} + \frac{2P}{9} - \frac{\sqrt{s(144m + 27s + 16P^2s)}}{9s} \times \text{Sin} \left[\frac{1}{3} \text{ArcSin} \left[\frac{4Ps(216m - 81s + 16P^2s)}{\sqrt{s(144m + 27s + 16P^2s)^3}} \right] \right]. \quad (\text{A.10})$$

If $P = 0$ and assuming linkage equilibrium ($D = 0$), the coordinates of the equilibria l^2 and l^3 are given by (4.4) and

$$p_1(l^2) = q_1(l^3) = \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{1 - \frac{16m}{s}}, \quad (\text{A.11a})$$

$$q_1(l^2) = p_1(l^3) = \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{1 - \frac{16m}{s}}, \quad (\text{A.11b})$$

which leads to

$$m_{na}(l^{2,3}) = \frac{s}{16}. \quad (\text{A.12})$$

The coordinates of the equilibria l^4 and l^5 are given by

$$p_1(l^5) = q_1(l^4) = P + \frac{1}{2} - \frac{\sqrt{8m + s}}{4\sqrt{s}} - \frac{1}{4} \sqrt{9 + 16P^2 + \frac{40m}{s} - \frac{24P\sqrt{8m + s}}{\sqrt{s}}}, \quad (\text{A.13a})$$

$$q_1(I^5) = p_1(I^4) = P + \frac{1}{2} - \frac{\sqrt{8m+s}}{4\sqrt{s}} + \frac{1}{4} \sqrt{9 + 16P^2 + \frac{40m}{s} - \frac{24P\sqrt{8m+s}}{\sqrt{s}}}, \quad (\text{A.13b})$$

$$D_1(I^4) = D_1(I^5) = 0, \quad (\text{A.13c})$$

and (5.6), but here $\hat{D}_1(I^4) = \hat{D}_1(I^5) = 0$ is a result, not a simplifying assumption. The migration rates $m_{na}(I^{4,5}) = m_{st}(I^1)$ and $m_{ad}(I^{4,5}) = m_{un}(I^1)$ can be calculated from (A.13) and are given by

$$m_{na}(I^{4,5}) = m_{st}(I^1) = s \left(\frac{26}{25}P^2 - \frac{6}{25}P\sqrt{16P^2 - 5} - \frac{9}{40} \right), \quad (\text{A.14a})$$

$$m_{ad}(I^{4,5}) = m_{un}(I^1) = s \left(\frac{26}{25}P^2 + \frac{6}{25}P\sqrt{16P^2 - 5} - \frac{9}{40} \right). \quad (\text{A.14b})$$

A.5. The functions F_i

The functions F_1, F_2, F_3 , and F_4 used in Fig. 1 are given by

$$F_1(p_1, p_2) = G \left(p_1, p_2, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, 0, 1 \right), \quad (\text{A.15a})$$

$$F_2(p_1, p_2, q_2, q_2) = q_1 + q_2 - (p_1 + p_2), \quad (\text{A.15b})$$

$$F_3(p_1, p_2) = G \left(p_1, p_2, \frac{5}{2}, \frac{4}{5}, \frac{1}{2}, 1 \right), \quad (\text{A.15c})$$

$$F_4(p_1, p_2) = G \left(p_1, p_2, 8, \frac{9}{10}, \frac{7}{10}, 1 \right), \quad (\text{A.15d})$$

where

$$G(p_1, p_2, k_1, k_2, k_3, k_4) = p_1 + k_1 p_2 (p_1 - k_2)(p_1 - k_3) - (1 - k_1 p_2)(p_1 - k_3)(p_1 - k_4) + k_1 p_2 (p_1 - k_2)(p_1 - k_4). \quad (\text{A.15e})$$

The functions F_2 and G were guessed from the properties of I_1, I_2, I_3, I_4, I_5 ; see Proposition 5.2. The values k_i for F_1, F_3 , and F_4 were obtained by numerical trials.

A.6. Properties of the island model

The following proposition demonstrates the lack of spatial structure in the island model.

Proposition A.1. *The coordinates of the equilibria depend on k only through P_k .*

Proof. Let \hat{x} be an equilibrium. From the recursion relation (2.3c) and the migration rates (5.1) in the island model we obtain for every deme k :

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{x}_{i,k} &= \hat{x}'_{i,k} = m_{kk}\hat{x}_{i,k}^{(s)} + \sum_{l \neq k} m_{kl}\hat{x}_{i,l}^{(s)} \\ &= (1-m)\hat{x}_{i,k}^{(s)} - \frac{m}{n-1}\hat{x}_{i,k}^{(s)} + \frac{m}{n-1} \sum_l \hat{x}_{i,l}^{(s)} \\ &= \left(1-m - \frac{m}{n-1}\right)\hat{x}_{i,k}^{(s)} + \frac{m}{n-1}c_i \quad \text{for every gamete } i, \end{aligned} \quad (\text{A.16})$$

where c_i is independent of k (but depends on the model parameters, including the set of values P_k). By the structure of (2.3a), $\hat{x}_{i,k}^{(s)}$ depends on k only through \hat{x}_k and P_k . Therefore, the solution \hat{x}_k of (A.16) depends on k only through P_k . \square

The next proposition demonstrates a close relation of the island model to models that have as many demes as different optima.

Proposition A.2. 1. Let $\hat{x} = (\hat{x}_1, \hat{x}_2)$ be an equilibrium of the two-deme model with optima $P_1 = -P_2 = -P$ and migration rate m . Let n be even and

$$P_k = \begin{cases} -P & \text{if } 1 \leq k \leq \frac{n}{2}, \\ P & \text{if } \frac{n}{2} < k \leq n. \end{cases} \quad (\text{A.17})$$

Then $(\underbrace{\hat{x}_1, \dots, \hat{x}_1}_{n/2}, \underbrace{\hat{x}_2, \dots, \hat{x}_2}_{n/2})$ is an equilibrium of the island model

with migration rate $\bar{m} = 2(1 - \frac{1}{n})m$.

2. Let $\hat{x} = (\hat{x}_1, \hat{x}_2, \hat{x}_3)$ be an equilibrium of a three-deme model with optima $P_1 = -P_3 = -P, P_2 = 0$, and migration rate m . Let n be a multiple of three and

$$P_k = \begin{cases} -P & \text{if } 1 \leq k \leq \frac{n}{3}, \\ 0 & \text{if } \frac{n}{3} < k \leq \frac{2n}{3}, \\ P & \text{if } \frac{2n}{3} < k \leq n. \end{cases} \quad (\text{A.18})$$

Then $(\underbrace{\hat{x}_1, \dots, \hat{x}_1}_{n/3}, \underbrace{\hat{x}_2, \dots, \hat{x}_2}_{n/3}, \underbrace{\hat{x}_3, \dots, \hat{x}_3}_{n/3})$ is an equilibrium of the

island model with migration rate $\bar{m} = \frac{3}{2}(1 - \frac{1}{n})m$.

Proof. 1. The assumption implies that in the two-deme model $\hat{x}'_{i,2} = \hat{x}_{i,2} = m\hat{x}_{i,1}^{(s)} + (1-m)\hat{x}_{i,2}^{(s)}$. Because islands with the same position of the optimum are exchangeable, it is sufficient to show that $\hat{x}'_{i,n} - \hat{x}_{i,n} = 0$ for \bar{m} in the island model. Since $\hat{x}_{i,h} = \hat{x}_{i,1}$ for every $h \leq n/2$, we also have $\hat{x}_{i,h}^{(s)} = \hat{x}_{i,1}^{(s)}$ for every $h \leq n/2$. Analogously, $\hat{x}_{i,h}^{(s)} = \hat{x}_{i,2}^{(s)}$ for every $h > n/2$. Therefore, (2.3) and (5.1) yield

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{x}'_{i,n} - \hat{x}_{i,n} &= \frac{\bar{m}}{n-1} \sum_{h \neq n} \hat{x}_{i,h}^{(s)} + (1-\bar{m})\hat{x}_{i,n}^{(s)} - \hat{x}_{i,2} \\ &= \frac{2m}{n} \left(\frac{n}{2}\hat{x}_{i,1}^{(s)} + \left(\frac{n}{2} - 1\right)\hat{x}_{i,2}^{(s)} \right) \\ &\quad + \left(1 - 2m\left(1 - \frac{1}{n}\right)\right)\hat{x}_{i,2}^{(s)} - \hat{x}_{i,2} \\ &= m\hat{x}_{i,1}^{(s)} + m\left(1 - \frac{2}{n}\right)\hat{x}_{i,2}^{(s)} + \left(1 - 2m\left(1 - \frac{1}{n}\right)\right)\hat{x}_{i,2}^{(s)} \\ &\quad - \left(m\hat{x}_{i,1}^{(s)} + (1-m)\hat{x}_{i,2}^{(s)}\right) \\ &= \left[m\left(1 - \frac{2}{n}\right) + \left(1 - 2m\left(1 - \frac{1}{n}\right)\right) - (1-m) \right] \hat{x}_{i,2}^{(s)} \\ &= 0. \end{aligned}$$

The proof of 2. is analogous. \square

The following proposition shows that in the island model with Scenario B and weak migration, LD is non-positive in the demes under stabilizing selection and positive in the demes under directional selection.

Proposition A.3. *In the island model with Scenario B, first-order weak-migration approximations yield that at all stable equilibria*

$$\hat{D}_l \leq 0 \quad \text{if } P_l = 0, \text{ i.e., } n/3 < l \leq 2n/3, \quad (\text{stabilizing selection}), \quad (\text{A.19})$$

$$\hat{D}_l > 0 \quad \text{if } |P_l| = 1, \text{ i.e., } l \leq n/3 \text{ or } l > 2n/3, \quad (\text{directional selection}). \quad (\text{A.20})$$

Proof. Let $E = \prod_{k=1}^n E_k$ be a stable equilibrium for $m = 0$ and $\hat{x}_{i,l}$ the frequency of gamete i in deme l at E . If $|P_l| = 1$,

then $E_l \in \{M_{1,l}, M_{4,l}\}$, whereas $E_l \in \{M_{2,l}, M_{3,l}\}$ if $P_l = 0$. The proportions of gametes i immigrating into deme l are given by $\phi_{i,l} = \sum_{k \neq l} m_{lk} \hat{x}_{i,k} = \frac{m}{n-1} \sum_{k \neq l} \hat{x}_{i,k}$. The $\phi_{i,l}$ are independent of P_k , since the E_k are monomorphic equilibria. Therefore, the vector $\phi_l = (\phi_{1,l}, \phi_{2,l}, \phi_{3,l}, \phi_{4,l})$ is of the form:

$$\phi_l = \frac{m}{n-1} \left(\frac{n}{3} - 1, u, \frac{n}{3} - u, \frac{n}{3} \right),$$

$$0 \leq u \leq \frac{n}{3}, \text{ if } E_l = M_{1,l}, \tag{A.21a}$$

$$\phi_l = \frac{m}{n-1} \left(\frac{n}{3}, u, \frac{n}{3} - u, \frac{n}{3} \right),$$

$$1 \leq u \leq \frac{n}{3}, \text{ if } E_l = M_{2,l}, \tag{A.21b}$$

$$\phi_l = \frac{m}{n-1} \left(\frac{n}{3}, u, \frac{n}{3} - u, \frac{n}{3} \right),$$

$$0 \leq u \leq \frac{n}{3} - 1, \text{ if } E_l = M_{3,l}, \tag{A.21c}$$

$$\phi_l = \frac{m}{n-1} \left(\frac{n}{3}, u, \frac{n}{3} - u, \frac{n}{3} - 1 \right),$$

$$0 \leq u \leq \frac{n}{3}, \text{ if } E_l = M_{4,l}. \tag{A.21d}$$

The coordinates of the weak-migration perturbation of E in deme l are obtained from a four-deme island-model with optima $P_1 = -1, P_2 = P_3 = 0, P_4 = 1$, migration matrix $((1-m)\delta_{kl} + \phi_{k,l})_{kl}$ and some appropriate u (δ_{kl} denotes the Kronecker-Delta). Calculating \hat{D}_l for weak migration in the four-deme model shows that $\hat{D}_l \leq 0$ if $P_l = 0$ and $\hat{D}_l > 0$ if $|P_l| = 1$ for all u . \square

Remark A.4. If (A.20) is relaxed to $\hat{D}_l \geq 0$, the statement of Proposition A.3 also holds for the stepping-stone model. Since only neighboring demes influence first-order weak-migration approximations in the stepping-stone model, it is sufficient to consider three demes $l-1, l, l+1$ with suitable positions of the optima. With a case distinction depending on the stable equilibria in the demes $l-1$ and $l+1$ one can show the assertion with *Mathematica* by calculating \hat{D}_l for weak migration.

A.7. Migration matrices of the generalized stepping-stone model

We use the following matrices of S_2 for $n = 6$ and $n = 12$: see Eq. (A.22) given in Box I.

A.8. The equilibria l_j for weak migration

The following equilibria play a central role in our analysis. Let n be even and migration weak. We recall Proposition 3.1 and define

$$l^1 = I_m \left(\prod_{k \in N_1} M_k^1 \times \prod_{k \in N_2 \cup N_3 \cup N_4} F_k \times \prod_{k \in N_5} M_k^4 \right), \tag{A.23a}$$

$$l^2 = I_m \left(\prod_{k \in N_1} M_k^1 \times \prod_{k \in N_2} E_k^{\beta,1} \times \prod_{k=v}^{\frac{n}{2}} M_k^2 \times \prod_{k=\frac{n}{2}+1}^w M_k^3 \right. \\ \left. \times \prod_{k \in N_4} E_k^{\beta,0} \times \prod_{k \in N_5} M_k^4 \right), \tag{A.23b}$$

$$l^3 = I_m \left(\prod_{k \in N_1} M_k^1 \times \prod_{k \in N_2} E_k^{A,1} \times \prod_{k=v}^{\frac{n}{2}} M_k^3 \times \prod_{k=\frac{n}{2}+1}^w M_k^2 \right. \\ \left. \times \prod_{k \in N_4} E_k^{A,0} \times \prod_{k \in N_5} M_k^4 \right), \tag{A.23c}$$

where $v = |N_1| + |N_2| + 1, w = n - |N_4| - |N_5| - 1$, and

$$l^4 = I_m \left(\prod_{k \in N_1} M_k^1 \times \prod_{k \in N_2} E_k^{\beta,1} \times \prod_{k \in N_3} M_k^2 \right. \\ \left. \times \prod_{k \in N_4} E_k^{A,0} \times \prod_{k \in N_5} M_k^4 \right), \tag{A.23d}$$

$$l^5 = I_m \left(\prod_{k \in N_1} M_k^1 \times \prod_{k \in N_2} E_k^{A,1} \times \prod_{k \in N_3} M_k^3 \right. \\ \left. \times \prod_{k \in N_4} E_k^{\beta,0} \times \prod_{k \in N_5} M_k^4 \right). \tag{A.23e}$$

In the following we specify the stable equilibria for each of the selection scenarios (A.38).

In Scenario A, we obtain that l^1 is the unique stable equilibrium for weak migration by observing that $N_2 = N_3 = N_4 = \emptyset$.

In Scenario B we have $N_2 = N_4 = \emptyset$. Therefore, for weak migration the stable internal equilibria are given by

$$I_m \left(\prod_{k=1}^{n/3} M_k^1 \times \prod_{k=n/3+1}^{2n/3} G_k \times \prod_{k=2n/3+1}^n M_k^4 \right), \tag{A.24a}$$

$$G_k \in \{M_k^2, M_k^3\}. \tag{A.24b}$$

In Scenario C the stable internal equilibria for weak migration are given by

$$I_m \left(\prod_{1 \leq k \leq n_1} M_k^1 \times \prod_{n_1 < k \leq n_2} G_k \times \prod_{n_2 < k \leq n_3} H_k \times \right. \\ \left. \times \prod_{n_3 < k \leq n_4} J_k \times \prod_{n_4 < k \leq n} M_k^4 \right), \tag{A.25a}$$

where

$$G_k \in \{E_k^{A,1}, E_k^{\beta,1}\}, \quad H_k \in \{M_k^2, M_k^3\}, \quad J_k \in \{E_k^{A,0}, E_k^{\beta,0}\}, \tag{A.25b}$$

and

$$n_1 = \lfloor \frac{7+n}{8} \rfloor, \quad n_2 = \lfloor \frac{1}{8}(5+3n) \rfloor, \\ n_3 = \lfloor \frac{1}{8}(3+5n) \rfloor, \quad n_4 = \lfloor \frac{1}{8}(1+7n) \rfloor. \tag{A.25c}$$

Hence, the number of stable internal equilibria is

$$2^{n_4 - n_1}, \tag{A.26}$$

which simplifies to $2^{3(n-1)/4}$ if $n = 8q + 1$ for some q .

In Scenario D we have $N_1 = N_2 = N_4 = N_5 = \emptyset$. Therefore, for weak migration the stable equilibria are given by

$$I_m \left(\prod_{k=1}^n G_k \right), \text{ where } G_k \in \{M_k^2, M_k^3\}. \tag{A.27}$$

Except when $G_k = M_k^2$ for every k or $G_k = M_k^3$ for every k , these equilibria are internal.

A.9. Critical migration rates

See Table A.1.

A.10. Weak-migration approximations for the island model

Here, we give simple approximations of LD, the deviation of the genotypic mean from the optimum and the genetic variance at stable equilibria for weak migration in the island model with Scenario A and Scenario B. In Scenario A, l_1 is the unique stable equilibrium for weak migration. LD, the deviation of the genotypic

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1-m & \frac{2m}{3} & \frac{m}{3} & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ \frac{m}{2} & 1-m & \frac{m}{3} & \frac{m}{6} & 0 & 0 \\ \frac{m}{6} & \frac{m}{3} & 1-m & \frac{m}{3} & \frac{m}{6} & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{m}{6} & \frac{m}{3} & 1-m & \frac{m}{3} & \frac{m}{6} \\ 0 & 0 & \frac{m}{6} & \frac{m}{3} & 1-m & \frac{m}{2} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \frac{m}{3} & \frac{2m}{3} & 1-m \end{pmatrix} \tag{A.22a}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1-m & \frac{m}{2} & \frac{m}{4} & \frac{m}{8} & \frac{m}{8} & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ \frac{m}{2} & 1-m & \frac{m}{4} & \frac{m}{8} & \frac{m}{16} & \frac{m}{16} & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ \frac{m}{4} & \frac{m}{4} & 1-m & \frac{m}{4} & \frac{m}{8} & \frac{m}{16} & \frac{m}{16} & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ \frac{m}{4} & \frac{m}{4} & \frac{m}{4} & 1-m & \frac{m}{4} & \frac{m}{8} & \frac{m}{16} & \frac{m}{16} & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ \frac{m}{8} & \frac{m}{8} & \frac{m}{4} & \frac{m}{4} & 1-m & \frac{m}{4} & \frac{m}{8} & \frac{m}{16} & \frac{m}{16} & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ \frac{m}{8} & \frac{m}{8} & \frac{m}{4} & \frac{m}{4} & \frac{m}{4} & 1-m & \frac{m}{4} & \frac{m}{8} & \frac{m}{16} & \frac{m}{16} & 0 & 0 \\ \frac{m}{16} & \frac{m}{16} & \frac{m}{8} & \frac{m}{4} & \frac{m}{4} & \frac{m}{4} & 1-m & \frac{m}{4} & \frac{m}{8} & \frac{m}{16} & \frac{m}{16} & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{m}{16} & \frac{m}{16} & \frac{m}{8} & \frac{m}{4} & \frac{m}{4} & \frac{m}{4} & 1-m & \frac{m}{4} & \frac{m}{8} & \frac{m}{16} & \frac{m}{16} \\ 0 & 0 & \frac{m}{16} & \frac{m}{16} & \frac{m}{8} & \frac{m}{4} & \frac{m}{4} & \frac{m}{4} & 1-m & \frac{m}{4} & \frac{m}{8} & \frac{m}{16} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \frac{m}{16} & \frac{m}{16} & \frac{m}{8} & \frac{m}{4} & \frac{m}{4} & \frac{m}{4} & 1-m & \frac{m}{4} & \frac{m}{8} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \frac{m}{16} & \frac{m}{16} & \frac{m}{8} & \frac{m}{4} & \frac{m}{4} & \frac{m}{4} & 1-m & \frac{m}{8} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \frac{m}{16} & \frac{m}{16} & \frac{m}{8} & \frac{m}{4} & \frac{m}{4} & \frac{m}{4} & 1-m \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \frac{m}{16} & \frac{m}{16} & \frac{m}{8} & \frac{m}{4} & \frac{m}{4} & \frac{m}{4} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \frac{m}{16} & \frac{m}{16} & \frac{m}{8} & \frac{m}{4} & \frac{m}{4} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \frac{m}{16} & \frac{m}{16} & \frac{m}{8} & \frac{m}{4} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \frac{m}{8} & \frac{m}{8} & \frac{m}{4} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \frac{m}{2} & 1-m \end{pmatrix} \tag{A.22b}$$

Box I.

mean from the optimum and the genetic variance at l_1 in deme k are given by

$$D_k(l^1) = \frac{n}{2(n-1)} \frac{m}{r+s-rs} + O(m^2), \tag{A.28}$$

$$|\bar{G}_k(l^1) - P_k| = \frac{n}{2(n-1)} \frac{m}{s} \frac{8r(1-s)+2s}{r+s-rs} + O(m^2), \tag{A.29}$$

$$V_k(l^1) = \frac{n}{2(n-1)} \frac{m}{s} \frac{4r(1-s)+2s}{r+s-rs} + O(m^2). \tag{A.30}$$

The fractions different from $n/[2(n-1)]$ are obtained by a weak-migration approximation of l_1 for $n = 2$, whereas the factor $n/[2(n-1)]$ is inferred from Remark 5.1. We note that in accordance with Proposition A.1, the expressions (A.28)–(A.30) are independent of k .

In Scenario B, l^2, l^3, l^4 and l^5 are stable for weak migration. The corresponding approximations at l^4 and l^5 are given by

$$D_k(l^{4,5}) = \frac{2n}{3(n-1)} \frac{m}{2(r+s-rs)} + O(m^2) \tag{A.31a}$$

$$\text{if } k \leq n/3, k > 2n/3, \tag{A.31a}$$

$$D_k(l^{4,5}) = O(m^2) \text{ if } n/3 < k \leq 2n/3, \tag{A.31b}$$

$$|\bar{G}_k(l^{4,5}) - P_k| = \frac{2n}{3(n-1)} \frac{m}{s} \frac{6r(1-s)+3s}{r+s-rs} + O(m^2) \tag{A.32a}$$

$$\text{if } k \leq n/3, k > 2n/3, \tag{A.32a}$$

$$|\bar{G}_k(l^{4,5}) - P_k| = O(m^2) \text{ if } n/3 < k \leq 2n/3, \tag{A.32b}$$

$$V_k(l^{4,5}) = \frac{2n}{3(n-1)} \frac{m}{s} \frac{3r(1-s)+2s}{r+s-rs} + O(m^2) \tag{A.33a}$$

$$\text{if } k \leq n/3, k > 2n/3, \tag{A.33a}$$

$$V_k(l^{4,5}) = \frac{2n}{3(n-1)} \frac{2m}{s} + O(m^2) \text{ if } n/3 < k \leq 2n/3. \tag{A.33b}$$

The terms different from $2n/[3(n-1)]$ are obtained from a weak-migration perturbation for $n = 3$ ($P_1 = -1, P_2 = 0, P_3 = 1$), whereas the factor $2n/[3(n-1)]$ is obtained using an argument analogous to that in Remark 5.1; see Proposition A.2.2. We note that in contrast to the two-deme model, $D(l^{4,5}) \neq 0$. From (A.31) it is also apparent that the inequality in (A.19) cannot be strict.

At l^2 and l^3 we obtain the following approximations:

$$D_k(l^{2,3}) = \frac{5n}{6(n-1)} \frac{2m}{5(r+s-rs)} + O(m^2) \tag{A.34a}$$

$$\text{if } k \leq n/3, k > 2n/3, \tag{A.34a}$$

$$D_k(l^{2,3}) = \frac{5n}{6(n-1)} \left(-\frac{m}{5r}\right) + O(m^2) \tag{A.34b}$$

$$\text{if } n/3 < k \leq 2n/3, \tag{A.34b}$$

$$|\bar{G}_k(l^{2,3}) - P_k| = \frac{5n}{6(n-1)} \frac{12m}{5s} \frac{2r(1-s)+s}{r+s-rs} + O(m^2) \tag{A.35a}$$

$$\text{if } k \leq n/3, k > 2n/3, \tag{A.35a}$$

Table A.1

Critical migration rates for different selection scenarios and migration patterns. The symbol ‘-’ indicates that the critical migration rate does not exist. The symbol ‘*’ indicates that the migration rate would exist for smaller selection intensities s . Equilibrium configurations were calculated in steps of $\Delta m = 10^{-3}$. The values indicate the lowest migration rate for which a different equilibrium configuration was observed. The data for $s = 0.2$ and $r = 0.5$ are visualized in Fig. 4.

	Island				Generalized stepping-stone				Stepping-stone			
	A	B	C	D	A	B	C	D	A	B	C	D
$s = 0.1, r = 0.5$												
$n = 6$												
$m_{un}^{X,M}(I^{2,3})$	0	0.009	0.008	0.008	0	0.008	0.007	0.008	0	0.007	0.007	0.035
$m_{st}^{X,M}(I^1)$	0	0.021	0.029	-	0	0.029	0.058	-	0	0.047	-	-
$m_{un}^{X,M}(I^1)$	0.220	0.138	0.063	-	*	0.396	0.159	-	*	*	-	-
$m_{st}^{X,M}(M^{2,3})$	0.245	0.187	0.140	0	*	*	0.378	0	*	*	*	0
$n = 12$												
$m_{un}^{X,M}(I^{2,3})$	0	0.010	0.005	0.008	0	0.010	0.010	0.042	0	0.014	0.015	0.203
$m_{st}^{X,M}(I^1)$	0	0.023	-	-	0	0.044	0.117	-	0	0.163	-	-
$m_{un}^{X,M}(I^1)$	0.242	0.152	-	-	*	*	0.303	-	*	*	-	-
$m_{st}^{X,M}(M^{2,3})$	0.269	0.206	0.133	0	*	*	*	0	*	*	*	0
$s = 0.2, r = 0.5$												
$n = 6$												
$m_{un}^{X,M}(I^{2,3})$	0	0.018	0.015	0.014	0	0.016	0.014	0.035	0	0.013	0.014	0.067
$m_{st}^{X,M}(I^1)$	0	0.041	0.056	-	0	0.058	0.111	-	0	0.095	0.269	-
$m_{un}^{X,M}(I^1)$	0.372	0.262	0.131	-	*	*	0.337	-	*	*	0.382	-
$m_{st}^{X,M}(M^{2,3})$	0.403	0.335	0.265	0	*	*	*	0	*	*	*	0
$n = 12$												
$m_{un}^{X,M}(I^{2,3})$	0	0.020	0.013	0.015	0	0.019	0.018	0.08	0	0.027	0.028	0.393
$m_{st}^{X,M}(I^1)$	0	0.045	-	-	0	0.087	0.225	-	0	0.332	-	-
$m_{un}^{X,M}(I^1)$	0.409	0.289	-	-	*	*	*	-	*	*	-	-
$m_{st}^{X,M}(M^{2,3})$	0.444	0.369	0.254	0	*	*	*	0	*	*	*	0
$s = 0.2, r = 0.01$												
$n = 6$												
$m_{un}^{X,M}(I^{2,3})$	0	0.007	0.005	0.003	0	0.005	0.004	0.006	0	0.003	0.003	0.009
$m_{st}^{X,M}(I^1)$	0	0.039	0.050	-	0	0.058	0.111	-	0	0.095	0.288	-
$m_{un}^{X,M}(I^1)$	0.372	0.264	0.138	-	*	*	0.332	-	*	*	0.352	-
$m_{st}^{X,M}(M^{2,3})$	0.403	0.335	0.265	0	*	*	*	0	*	*	*	0
$n = 12$												
$m_{un}^{X,M}(I^{2,3})$	0	0.007	0.003	0.003	0	0.005	0.003	0.008	0	0.006	0.006	0.04
$m_{st}^{X,M}(I^1)$	0	0.042	-	-	0	0.087	0.226	-	0	0.333	-	-
$m_{un}^{X,M}(I^1)$	0.409	0.290	-	-	*	*	*	-	*	*	-	-
$m_{st}^{X,M}(M^{2,3})$	0.444	0.369	0.254	0	*	*	*	0	*	*	*	0

$$|\bar{G}_k(I^{2,3}) - P_k| = O(m^2) \text{ if } n/3 < k \leq 2n/3, \quad (A.35b)$$

$$V_k(I^{2,3}) = \frac{5n}{6(n-1)} \frac{12m}{5s} \frac{1}{r+s-rs} + O(m^2) \text{ if } k \leq n/3, k > 2n/3, \quad (A.36a)$$

$$V_k(I^{2,3}) = \frac{5n}{6(n-1)} \frac{12m}{5s} + O(m^2) \text{ if } n/3 < k \leq 2n/3. \quad (A.36b)$$

The terms different from $5n/[6(n-1)]$ are obtained from a weak-migration perturbation for $n = 6$. (The equilibria I^2 and I^3 do not exist for $n = 3$). In analogy to Remark 5.1 and Proposition A.2.2 one obtains the factor $5n/[6(n-1)]$.

A.11. Diffusion models

We assume that gamete frequencies $x_i(y, t)$ are continuous functions in space and time, where $y \in (-y_0, y_0)$ and $t \in (0, \infty)$. Then, also allele frequencies $p(y, t)$, $q(y, t)$, LD $D(y, t)$, genotypic mean $\bar{G}(y, t)$ and genetic variance $V(y, t)$ are continuous functions in space and time. Further, we assume that the position of the trait optimum $P(y)$ is a (non-necessarily) continuous function in space. Then, the analogue of the fitness function (2.1) is given by

$$w(G, y) = 1 - s(G - P(y))^2 \quad (A.37)$$

and w_i and \bar{w} are (non-necessarily) continuous functions in space. We denote the variance of dispersal in the domain by σ^2 .

Assuming that allelic effects are approximately Gaussian distributed, the model in Slatkin (1978) and Barton (1999) describes the evolution of mean $\bar{G}(y, t)$ and variance $V(y, t)$ according to

$$\frac{\partial \bar{G}}{\partial t} = \frac{\sigma^2}{2} \frac{\partial^2 \bar{G}}{\partial y^2} - 2sV(\bar{G} - P) \text{ in } (-y_0, y_0) \times (0, \infty), \quad (A.38a)$$

$$\frac{\partial V}{\partial t} = \frac{\sigma^2}{2} \frac{\partial^2 V}{\partial y^2} + \frac{\sigma^2}{4} \left(\frac{\partial \bar{G}}{\partial x} \right)^2 - \frac{sV^2}{2} \text{ in } (-y_0, y_0) \times (0, \infty), \quad (A.38b)$$

$$\frac{\partial \bar{G}}{\partial y} = \frac{\partial V}{\partial y} = 0 \text{ on } \{-y_0, y_0\} \times (0, \infty). \quad (A.38c)$$

The rare-alleles model of Barton (1999) is given by

$$\frac{\partial p}{\partial t} = \frac{\sigma^2}{2} \frac{\partial^2 p}{\partial y^2} - sc^2p(1-p)(1-2p+2\delta) \text{ in } (-y_0, y_0) \times (0, \infty), \quad (A.39a)$$

$$\frac{\partial q}{\partial t} = \frac{\sigma^2}{2} \frac{\partial^2 q}{\partial y^2} - sc^2 q(1-q)(1-2q+2\delta)$$

$$\text{in } (-y_0, y_0) \times (0, \infty), \quad (\text{A.39b})$$

$$\frac{\partial p}{\partial y} = \frac{\partial q}{\partial y} = 0 \quad \text{on } \{-y_0, y_0\} \times (0, \infty), \quad (\text{A.39c})$$

where $\delta = (\bar{G}-P)/c$ and $c = c_1 = c_2 = 1/2$ is the genotypic effect per locus. Since the selection intensity in Barton (1999) is half the selection intensity of our model, (A.38) and (A.39) were adapted accordingly. In (A.38) a typo of Eq. (5) in Barton (1999) was corrected.

In continuous space we define the selection scenarios in close analogy to (A.38):

$$\text{Scenario A : } P(y) = \begin{cases} -1 & \text{if } -y_0 < y \leq 0, \\ 1 & \text{if } 0 < y < y_0, \end{cases} \quad (\text{A.40a})$$

$$\text{Scenario B : } P(y) = \begin{cases} -1 & \text{if } -y_0 < y < -y_0/3, \\ 0 & \text{if } -y_0/3 \leq y \leq y_0/3, \\ 1 & \text{if } y_0/3 < y < y_0, \end{cases} \quad (\text{A.40b})$$

$$\text{Scenario C : } P(y) = y/y_0. \quad (\text{A.40c})$$

To compare these models with the n -deme model, we set $y_0 = (n-1)/2$. Then $(-y_0, y_0)$ has length $n-1$ and can be shifted to $(1, n)$. The dispersal variance at position $y_k = -y_0 - 1 + k = -(n+1)/2 + k$ ($1 \leq k \leq n$) is

$$\sigma^2(y_k) = \sum_{l=1}^n l^2 m_{kl} - \left(\sum_{l=1}^n l m_{kl} \right)^2. \quad (\text{A.41})$$

Since in (A.38), (A.39) and (7.4) it is assumed that dispersal is independent of position y , we average (A.41) over all positions y_k , which produces

$$\sigma^2 = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{k=1}^n \sigma^2(y_k). \quad (\text{A.42})$$

Assuming the stepping-stone migration pattern (5.3), (A.41) and (A.42) yield that

$$\sigma^2(y_k) = \begin{cases} m & \text{if } 1 < k < n, \\ m(1-m) & \text{if } k = 1, n, \end{cases} \quad (\text{A.43})$$

and

$$\sigma^2 = m - 2 \frac{m^2}{n} = m + O(m^2). \quad (\text{A.44})$$

Appendix B. Supplementary data

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