

Announcements: Problem Set 2 posted (DUE: 2/9/21)

Last time: Random walks & diffusion

iid $\rho(\Delta x)$ w/ $\langle \Delta x \rangle \equiv \mu, \text{Var}(\Delta x) \equiv \sigma^2$

$$X(t+1) = \underbrace{\Delta x_1 + \Delta x_2 + \Delta x_3 + \dots + \Delta x_{t-2} + \Delta x_{t-1} + \Delta x_t}$$

"coarse-grain" over intermediate timescale $\delta t \gg 1$

$$\delta x_1 + \dots + \delta x_t \rightarrow \text{Gaussian}(\mu t, \sigma^2 t)$$

$$\rightarrow \text{Gaussian}(\mu \delta t, \sigma^2 \delta t)$$

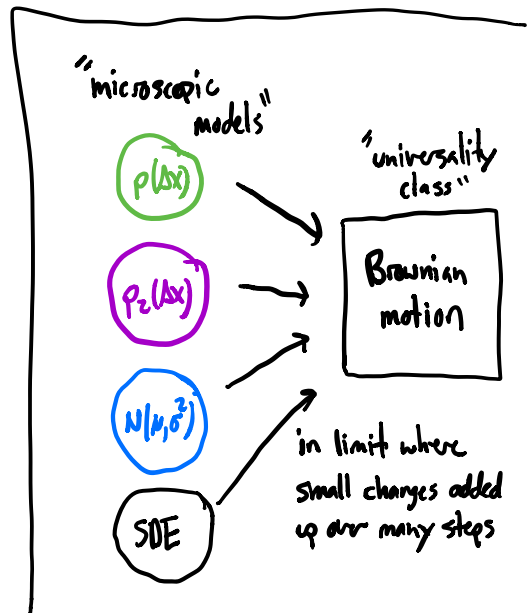
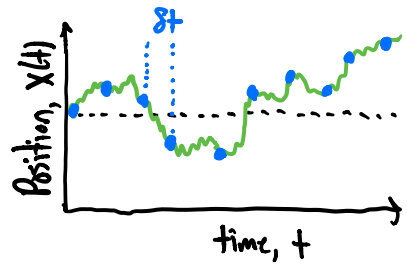
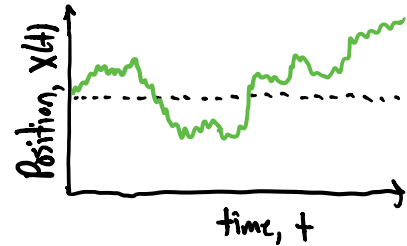
will write as

$$X(t + \delta t) \sim X(t) + \mu \delta t + \sqrt{\sigma^2 \delta t} Z_t \quad \sim N(0,1)$$

or

$$\text{SDE: } \frac{dx}{dt} = \mu + \sqrt{\sigma^2} \eta(t)$$

in this class, shorthand for

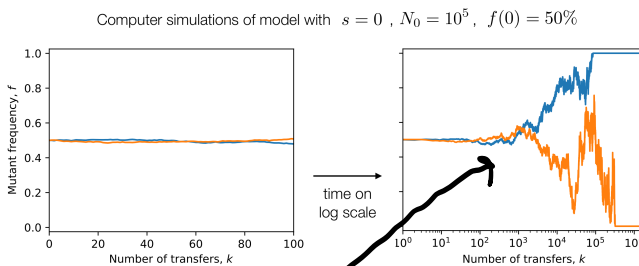
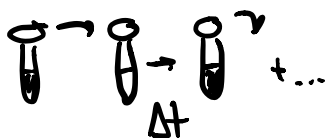


Today: ① Can this apply to evolution?
 ② working w/ SDEs.

Basic idea: evolutionary phenomena take place over many generations...

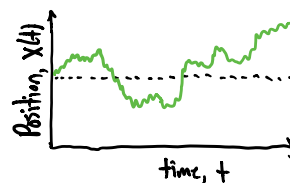
⇒ maybe similar diffusion-like behavior emerges when $1 \ll \delta t \ll t$?

E.g. serial dilution model:



mutation frequency looks a bit like random walk...

⇒ can we use same approach here?



$$f(t+\Delta t) = f_0 + \underbrace{\Delta f_1 + \Delta f_2 + \Delta f_3 + \dots + \Delta f_{k-2} + \Delta f_{k-1}}_{\text{coarse grain over timescale } \delta t \gg \Delta t} + \Delta f_k \quad (k = \frac{t}{\Delta t})$$

$$= f_0 + \delta f_1 + \dots + \delta f_{(t/\delta t)}$$

in this case:

$$\underline{\Delta f(t)} \equiv f(t+\Delta t) - f(t) \equiv \frac{N_2}{N_2 + N_1} - f(t) \rightarrow N_2 \sim \text{Poisson} \left(\frac{N_0 f(t) e^{-s\Delta t}}{f(t) e^{-s\Delta t} + 1 - f(t)} \right)$$

$$\rightarrow N_1 \sim \text{Poisson} \left(\frac{N_0 (1-f(t))}{f(t) e^{-s\Delta t} + 1 - f(t)} \right)$$

$$\delta f_t = \Delta f_1 + \Delta f_2 + \dots + \Delta f_{\left(\frac{\delta t}{\Delta t}\right)} \rightarrow \text{can make this } \# \text{ large} \quad \times \quad \begin{array}{l} \text{can't apply} \\ \text{CLT} \\ \text{from before} \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{l} \downarrow \\ \mu(f(t)) \\ \sigma^2(f(t)) \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{l} \downarrow \\ \mu(f(t+\Delta t)) \approx \mu(f(t)) \\ \sigma^2(f(t+\Delta t)) \approx \sigma^2(f(t)) \end{array}$$

Key idea: if we coarse grain over many gens (for CLT) $\left[\begin{array}{l} \text{lower} \\ \text{bound on} \\ \delta t \end{array} \right]$
 $\#$ but sufficiently few gens s.t. $f(t+\delta t) \approx f(t)$ $\left[\begin{array}{l} \text{upper} \\ \text{bound} \end{array} \right]$

\swarrow then $\mu(f(t+i\Delta t)) \approx \mu(f(t))$ for all $i \leq \frac{\delta t}{\Delta t}$
 $\sigma^2 \dots$

\Rightarrow can therefore apply CLT from before: $n = \left(\frac{\delta t}{\Delta t}\right)$

$$\begin{aligned} \delta f &= \Delta f_1 + \Delta f_2 + \dots + \Delta f_{\left(\frac{\delta t}{\Delta t}\right)} = \text{Gaussian} \left(\mu(f(t)), \sigma^2(f(t)) \delta t \right) \\ &= \mu(f(t)) \delta t + \sqrt{\sigma^2(f(t)) \delta t} Z_+ \sim N(0,1) \end{aligned}$$

\Rightarrow can we show that this works? ($\&$ when it works?)

\Rightarrow use self-consistency & series approximations. \ast
 HW
 Problem

Step 1: what limits are relevant? (e.g. N_0, s , etc.)

\Rightarrow focus on a single timestep:

(a) need $\text{Poisson}\left(\frac{N_0 f e^{s\Delta t}}{f e^{s\Delta t} + 1 - f}\right) \approx \text{Poisson}(N_0 f)$

\Rightarrow will be true when $\boxed{s\Delta t \ll 1}$

(b) need $\text{Poisson}(N_0 f) \approx N_0 f$

$\stackrel{\text{large } N_0}{\Rightarrow} N_0 f \pm \sqrt{N_0 f} \Rightarrow f(t+\Delta t) \approx f \pm \sqrt{\frac{c}{N_0}}$

\Rightarrow will be true when $\boxed{N_0 \gg 1}$

(strictly speaking, $N_0 f \gg 1$, $N_0 f(1-f) \ll 1$)
 \hookrightarrow will discuss later.

Step 2: calculate leading order contributions to
 $\mu(f(t)) \equiv \langle \Delta f \rangle$ and $\sigma^2(f(t)) \equiv \text{Var}(\Delta f)$
 in single timestep (using limits above)

① argument of Poisson: $\frac{f(t)e^{s\Delta t}}{f(t)e^{s\Delta t} + 1 - f(t)} \approx \frac{f(t)[1 + s\Delta t + \dots]}{f(t)[1 + s\Delta t + \dots] + 1 - f(t)}$

$$\approx f(1 + s\Delta t)(1 - f s\Delta t)$$

$$\approx f + s\Delta t f(1 - f) + \text{h.o.t.}$$

leading order contribution

② Gaussian approx to Poisson dist'n:

$$f(t + \Delta t) = \frac{N_0 [f + s\Delta t f(1 - f)] + \sqrt{N_0 f} z_1}{(\dots) + N_0 [1 - f - s\Delta t f(1 - f)] + \sqrt{N_0 (1 - f)} z_2}$$

$$= \frac{f + s\Delta t f(1 - f) + \sqrt{\frac{f}{N_0}} z_1}{1 + \sqrt{\frac{f}{N_0}} z_1 + \sqrt{\frac{1 - f}{N_0}} z_2}$$

$$\approx f + s\Delta t f(1-f) + \underbrace{\sqrt{\frac{f}{N_0}} z_1 - f \sqrt{\frac{f}{N_0}} z_1 - f \sqrt{\frac{1-f}{N_0}} z_2}_{\sqrt{\frac{(1-f)^2 f}{N_0}} z_1 - \sqrt{\frac{f^2(1-f)}{N_0}} z_2} + \text{h.o.t.}$$

$$\underbrace{\sqrt{\frac{(1-f)^2 f}{N_0} + \frac{f^2(1-f)}{N_0}}}_{\sigma^2(f)} z_3$$

$$f(t+\Delta t) \approx f + s\Delta t f(1-f) + \underbrace{\sqrt{\frac{f(1-f)}{N_0}} z}_{\sigma^2(f)} \quad \left(\begin{array}{l} s\Delta t \ll 1 \\ N_0 \gg \text{big} \end{array} \right)$$

$\underbrace{\hspace{10em}}_{\mu(f)} \qquad \underbrace{\hspace{5em}}_{\sigma^2(f)} \quad (\text{that's one cycle})$

Step 3: add up contributions over δt gens $\left(\frac{\delta t}{\Delta t} \text{ cycles} \right)$

$$\delta f = s\Delta t f(1-f) \left[\frac{\delta t}{\Delta t} \right] + \sqrt{\frac{f(1-f)}{N_0} \left(\frac{\delta t}{\Delta t} \right)} z_+ \quad \left(\begin{array}{l} \text{assumes CLT} \\ + \text{homogeneity} \end{array} \right)$$

$$= s f(1-f) \delta t + \sqrt{\frac{f(1-f) \delta t}{(N_0 \Delta t)}} z_+$$

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 "se" effective selection strength

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 \hookrightarrow "Ne" effective population size.

Step 4: check self consistency (important***)

① need $f(t+\delta t) \approx f(t) \Rightarrow \delta f \ll f$ & $\delta t \ll 1-f$

\Rightarrow (a) Need $s\delta t \ll 1 \Rightarrow \delta t \ll \frac{1}{s}$ (selection timescale)

(b) $\frac{\delta t}{N_0 \Delta t} \ll 1 \Rightarrow \delta t \ll N_0 \Delta t$ (drift timescale)

\Rightarrow ensures homogeneity w/in coarse grain step.

② $\delta t \gtrsim \Delta t$ from CLT condition.
($\delta t \gg \Delta t$)

\Rightarrow can satisfy both when



\Downarrow when this applies:

$s \rightarrow 0$
 $N_0 \rightarrow \infty$
 while $N_0 s \Delta t$ can be anything.

$$f(t+\delta t) \approx f(t) + sf(1-f)\delta t + \sqrt{\frac{f(1-f)\delta t}{N_e}} Z_t$$

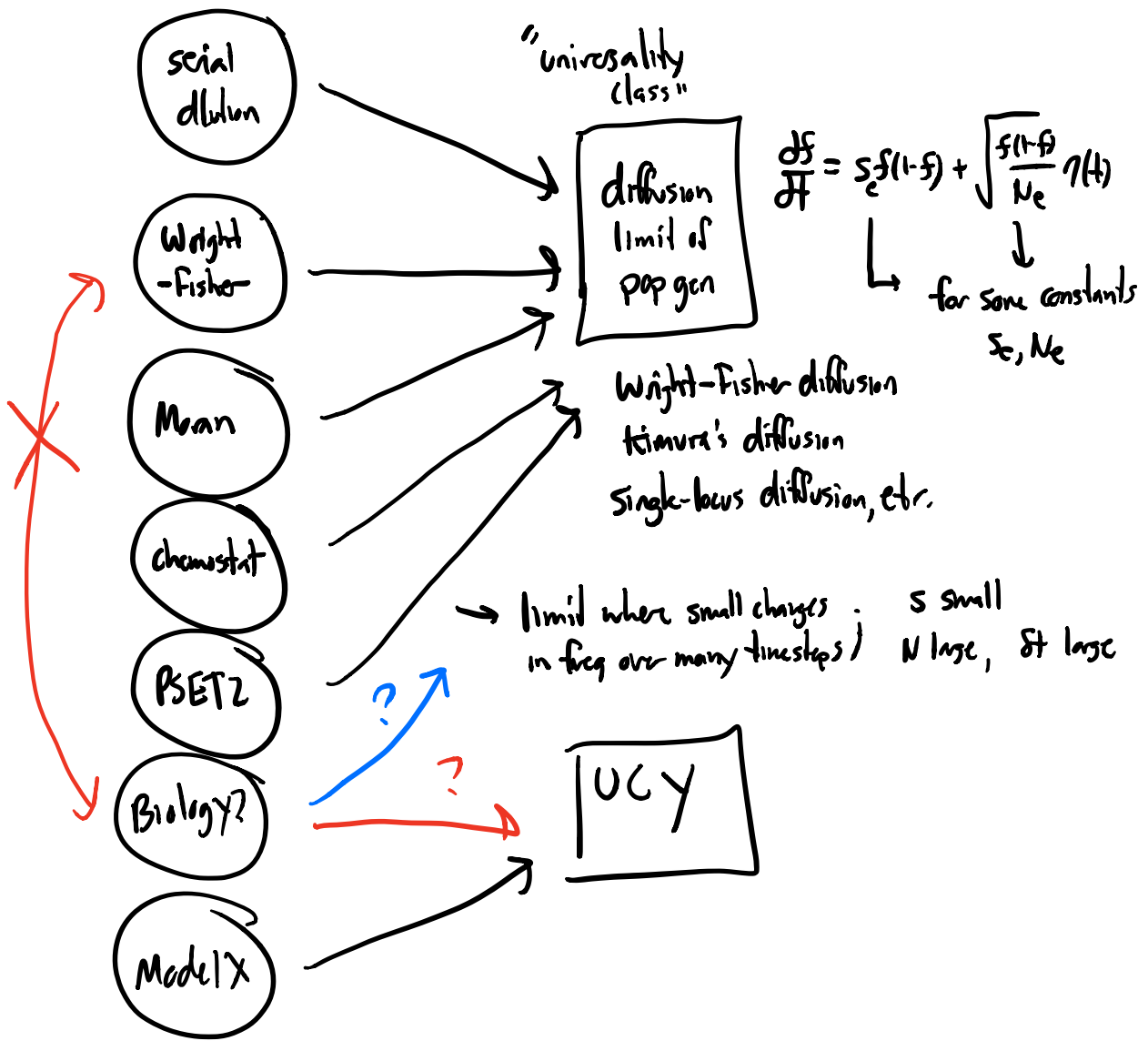
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$$\text{SDE: } \frac{df}{dt} = sf(1-f) + \sqrt{\frac{f(1-f)}{N_e}} \eta(t)$$

"diffusion limit" of population genetics

use as shorthand

'microscopic models'



"Traditional derivation" of diffusion limit of pop gen:

For arbitrary markov process:

$$X_0 \rightarrow X_1 \rightarrow X_2 \rightarrow \dots \rightarrow X_t \quad \text{w/} \quad \Pr(X_i \rightarrow X_{i+1} | X_i) \equiv p_i(X_{i+1} | X_i)$$

⇓

$p(x, t | X_0)$ = prob of being @ position x @ time t given X_0 @ $t=0$

⇒ then consider all positions @ previous timestep:

$$\begin{aligned} p(x, t+1 | X_0) &= \int dx' p(x', t | X_0) p_1(x | x') \quad \rightarrow \text{recursive formula for } p(x, t | X_0) \\ &= \int d\Delta x p(x - \Delta x, t | X_0) p_1(x | x - \Delta x) \end{aligned}$$

⇒ Taylor expand in time & Δx

$$p(x, t+1 | X_0) \approx p(x, t | X_0) + \partial_t p(x, t | X_0)$$

$$p(x - \Delta x, t | X_0) \approx p(x, t | X_0) - \Delta x \partial_x p(x, t | X_0) + \frac{1}{2} \Delta x^2 \partial_x^2 p(x, t | X_0)$$

↳ collecting terms, can write as → Ewens for derivation

$$\frac{\partial p(x,t|x_0)}{\partial t} = -\frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left[\mu(x) p(x,t|x_0) \right] + \frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} \left[\sigma^2(x) p(x,t|x_0) \right]$$

where $\mu(x) = \int \Delta x \rho_1(x+\Delta x|x)$

$$\sigma^2(x) = \int \Delta x^2 \rho_1(x+\Delta x|x)$$

"Fokker-Planck" equation
-or- "forward equation"

↕ equivalent to SDE (Langevin eq)

$$\frac{dx}{dt} = \mu(x) + \sqrt{\sigma^2(x)} \eta(t)$$

↕ or recursive formula:

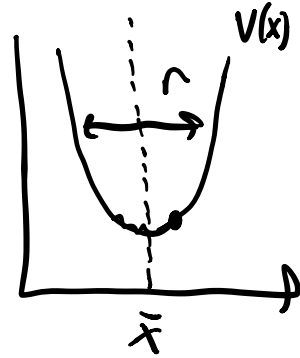
$$x(t+\delta t) = \mu(x) \delta t + \sqrt{\sigma^2(x) \delta t} Z_t$$

Manipulating SDEs:

① classic example: Brownian particle in quadratic potential

$$\frac{dx}{dt} = - \overbrace{r(x-\bar{x})}^{-\frac{dV}{dx}} + \sqrt{D} \eta(t)$$

restoring force equilibrium point \bar{x} diffusion constant



e.g. say we're interested in mean $\langle x(t) \rangle$

from definition: $x(t+\delta t) = x(t) - r(x-\bar{x})\delta t + \sqrt{D\delta t} z_t \sim N(0,1)$

$$\langle x(t+\delta t) \rangle = \langle x(t) \rangle - r\langle x(t) \rangle\delta t + r\bar{x}\delta t + 0$$

$$\Downarrow \Rightarrow \frac{\langle x(t+\delta t) \rangle - \langle x(t) \rangle}{\delta t} = -r[\langle x(t) \rangle - \bar{x}]$$

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$$\frac{d\langle x \rangle}{dt} = -r[\langle x \rangle - \bar{x}] \quad \text{ODE for } \langle x \rangle$$

$$\Rightarrow \langle x(t) \rangle - \bar{x} = (x(0) - \bar{x}) e^{-rt}$$

" $\langle x(t) \rangle \rightarrow \bar{x}$ @ rate r "

Supplement: "traditional" derivation of Fokker-Planck equation

Start w/ arbitrary Markov process: $x_0 \rightarrow x_1 \rightarrow \dots \rightarrow x_t$

w/ single-step transition probability: $\Pr[x_{t+1}|x_t] \equiv p_1(x_{t+1}|x_t)$

Consider $p(x,t|x_0) \equiv$ prob density of being @ position x @ time t
given that $x=x_0$ @ $t=0$.

By summing over positions @ previous time step,
this probability satisfies recursion relation:

$$\begin{aligned} p(x,t+1) &= \int dx' p(x',t|x_0) * p_1(x|x') && \begin{array}{l} \text{switch from } x' \\ \text{to } \Delta x = x - x' \end{array} \\ &= \int d\Delta x p(x-\Delta x,t|x_0) p_1(x|x-\Delta x) \end{aligned}$$

Useful to consider generating function $H(z) \equiv \int e^{-zx} p(x,t|x_0) dx$
(previously argued that $H(z) \Leftrightarrow p(x,t|x_0)$)

By integrating our recursion relation, we have:

$$\begin{aligned}
 H(z, t+1) &\equiv \int dx e^{-zx} p(x, t+1|x_0) = \int dx d\Delta x e^{-zx} p(x-\Delta x, t|x_0) p_1(x|\Delta x) \\
 &\stackrel{\substack{\text{(change vars to} \\ \tilde{x} = x-\Delta x)}}{=} \int d\tilde{x} d\Delta x e^{-z\tilde{x}} e^{-z\Delta x} p(\tilde{x}, t|x_0) p_1(\tilde{x}+\Delta x|\tilde{x}) \\
 &\stackrel{\text{(relabel } \tilde{x} \rightarrow x)}{=} \int dx d\Delta x e^{-zx} e^{-z\Delta x} p(x, t|x_0) p_1(x+\Delta x|x)
 \end{aligned}$$

Now Taylor-expand for small Δx :

$$\approx \int dx d\Delta x \cdot e^{-zx} \cdot \left[1 - z\Delta x + \frac{1}{2}(z\Delta x)^2 \right] p(x, t|x_0) p_1(x+\Delta x|x)$$

$$= \int dx e^{-zx} p(x, t|x_0) \int d\Delta x p_1(x+\Delta x|x) \left[1 - z\Delta x + \frac{1}{2}(z\Delta x)^2 \right]$$

$$= \int dx e^{-zx} p(x, t|x_0) \left[1 - z\mu(x) + \frac{1}{2}z^2\sigma^2(x) \right]$$

↓ integration by parts

$$\hookrightarrow \sigma^2(x) \equiv \int \Delta x^2 p_1(x+\Delta x|x) d\Delta x$$

$$\rightarrow \mu(x) \equiv \int \Delta x p_1(x+\Delta x|x) d\Delta x$$

$$= \int dx e^{-zx} \left\{ p(x, t|x_0) - \frac{d}{dx} \left[\mu(x) p(x, t|x_0) \right] + \frac{1}{2} \frac{d^2}{dx^2} \left[\sigma^2(x) p(x, t|x_0) \right] \right\}$$

thus, if $p(x,t|x_0)$ satisfies

$$\underbrace{p(x,t+1|x_0) - p(x,t|x_0)}_{\approx \frac{\partial p(x,t|x_0)}{\partial t}} = -\frac{\partial}{\partial x} [\mu(x)p(x,t|x_0)] + \frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} [\sigma^2(x)p(x,t|x_0)]$$

\Rightarrow then $H(z,t) [p(x,t|x_0)]$ satisfy the recursion relation.