

Genetics of Natural Selection

Symbols used

Symbol	Definition
N	number of individuals in the population
u	frequency of ST/ST genotype
v	frequency of ST/CH genotype
w	frequency of CH/CH genotype
w_{11}	fitness of ST/ST genotype
w_{12}	fitness of ST/CH genotype
w_{22}	fitness of CH/CH genotype

Calculation

Genotype	ST/ST	ST/CH	CH/CH
Number in eggs	41	82	27
	uN	vN	wN
Viability	0.6	0.9	0.45
	w_{11}	w_{12}	w_{22}
Number in adults	25	74	12
	$w_{11}uN$	$w_{12}vN$	$w_{22}wN$

Genotype frequencies

$$\begin{aligned}\text{freq(ST/ST) before selection} &= \frac{41}{41 + 82 + 27} \\ &= \frac{uN}{uN + vN + wN} \\ &= 0.27 \\ &u\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\text{freq(ST/ST) after selection} &= \frac{25}{25 + 74 + 12} \\ &= \frac{w_{11}uN}{w_{11}uN + w_{12}vN + w_{22}wN} \\ &= 0.23\end{aligned}$$

$$\frac{w_{11}u}{w_{11}u + w_{12}v + w_{22}w}$$

$\bar{w} = w_{11}u + w_{12}v + w_{22}w$ is the mean fitness

Allele frequencies

$$\begin{aligned} \text{freq(ST) before selection} &= \frac{2(41) + 82}{2(41 + 82 + 27)} \\ &= \frac{2(uN) + vN}{2(uN + vN + wN)} \\ &= 0.55 \\ &= u + \frac{v}{2} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{freqST after selection} &= \frac{2(25) + 74}{2(25 + 74 + 12)} \\ &= \frac{2w_{11}uN + w_{12}vN}{2(w_{11}uN + w_{12}vN + w_{22}wN)} \\ &= 0.56 \\ &= \frac{2w_{11}u + w_{12}v}{2(w_{11}u + w_{12}v + w_{22}w)} \end{aligned}$$

$$p' = \frac{w_{11}u + w_{12}v/2}{w_{11}u + w_{12}v + w_{22}w}$$

Assume H-W from adults to zygotes

$$u = p^2$$

$$v = 2pq$$

$$w = q^2$$

$$p' = \frac{w_{11}p^2 + w_{12}pq}{w_{11}p^2 + w_{12}2pq + w_{22}q^2}$$

Fisher's Fundamental Theorem of Natural Selection

$$\bar{w}' \geq \bar{w}$$

Natural selection causes allele frequencies to change in such a way that the mean fitness of the progeny generation (\bar{w}') is greater than that of the parental generation (\bar{w}).