

Invasion speeds in a competition-diffusion model with mutation

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where

- n_e, n_d = densities of two phenotypes of a single species
- D_e, D_d = dispersal rates
- r_e, r_d = growth rates
- m_{ee}, m_{dd} intra-morph competition, m_{ed}, m_{de} inter-morph competition
- μ = small positive constant, measuring amount of mutation
- d, e = positive constants, allow mutation to affect morphs differently

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- terminology: interested in trade-off between dispersal and growth

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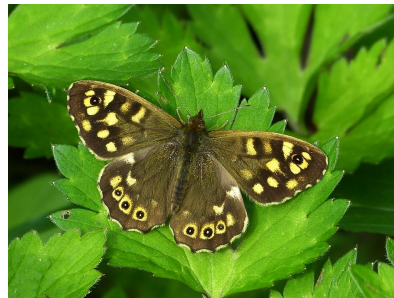
$\Rightarrow n_e =$ density of **establisher**, $n_d =$ density of **disperser**

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- **motivation:** evidence that in some species, more dispersive individuals are less fecund, so have lower growth rate e.g., **speckled wood butterfly**



[Hughes, Hill and Dytham, Proc. Roy. Soc. London Ser. B (2003)]

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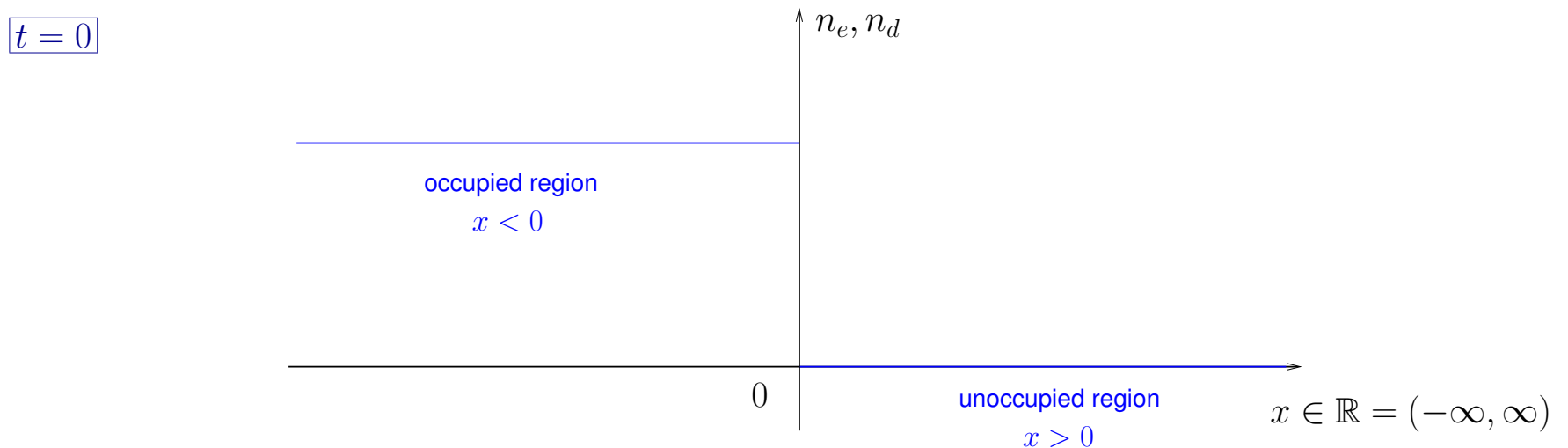
Question: how does mutation (μ) between phenotypes affect the **invasion of the species** into a region where it was previously absent?
In particular, the **speed of invasion**?

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- **mathematically:** if both n_e, n_d initially have initial condition



what happens as t increases, and how is this affected by μ ?

Some notation

- set

$$u = \begin{pmatrix} n_e \\ n_d \end{pmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^2, \quad A = \text{diag}(D_e, D_d),$$

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so that system becomes

$$u_t = Au_{xx} + f(u)$$

- for later, write

$$g(n_e, n_d) = \begin{pmatrix} r_e n_e (1 - m_{ee} n_e - m_{ed} n_d) \\ r_d n_d (1 - m_{de} n_e - m_{dd} n_d) \end{pmatrix}, \quad M = \begin{pmatrix} -e & d \\ e & -d \end{pmatrix},$$

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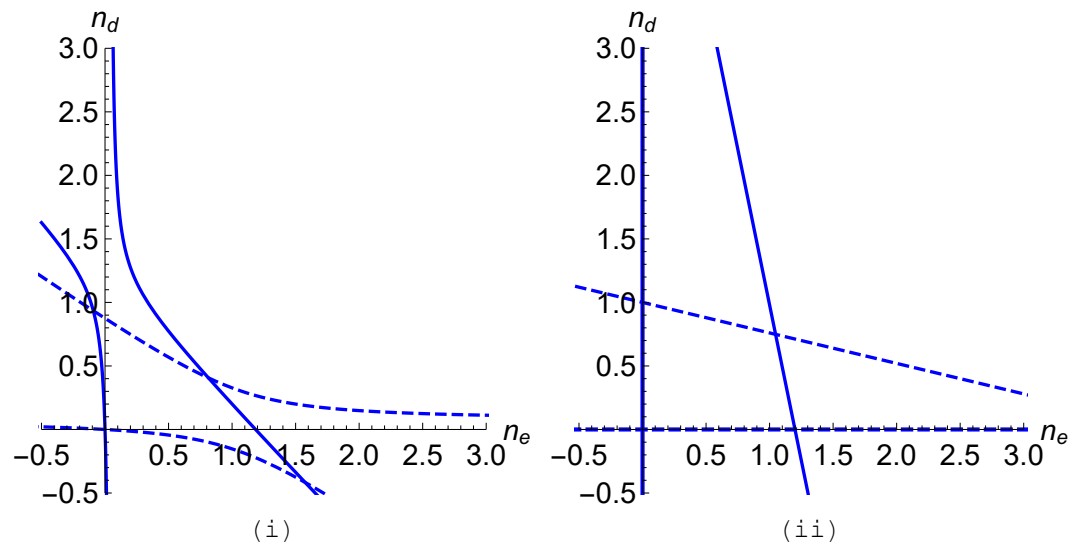
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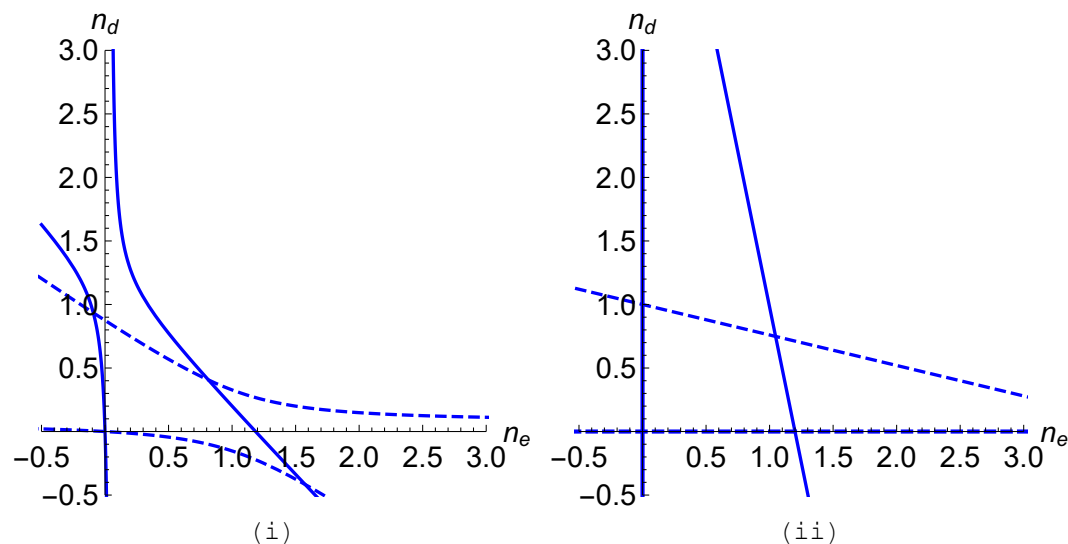
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- [Cantrell, Cosner+Yu, J. Biol. Dynamics, online March 2018]:
 - detailed study of equilibria/phase plane for various parameter regimes

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- **contrast**: when $\mu = 0$, not co-operative for any densities n_e, n_d , but becomes co-operative under change of variables $n_d \rightarrow \text{constant} - n_d$

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- **background:** if f is **co-operative**, that is

$$\frac{\partial f_i}{\partial u_j}(u) \geq 0 \text{ whenever } i \neq j,$$

then the system

$$u_t = Au_{xx} + f(u)$$

is **order preserving**:

if $u, \hat{u} : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$ are bounded and such that

$$u(x, 0) \leq \hat{u}(x, 0) \text{ for all } x \in \mathbb{R},$$

and

$$u_t \leq Au_{xx} + f(u), \quad \hat{u}_t \geq A\hat{u}_{xx} + f(\hat{u}) \text{ for all } (x, t) \in \mathbb{R} \times (0, \infty),$$

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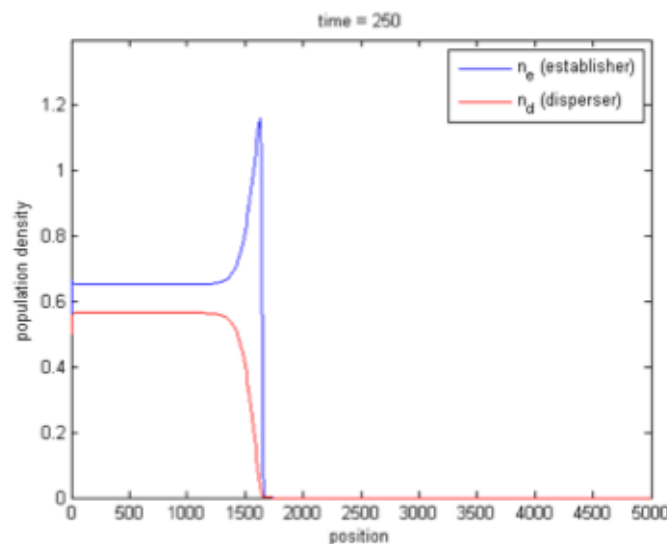
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Motivating previous work

- model was introduced by Elliott and Cornell, Dispersal Polymorphism and the Speed of Biological Invasions, PLOS One, 2012
- numerical simulation and linear analysis around $(0, 0)$
- when mutation $\mu > 0$, found numerical evidence that given Heaviside initial conditions of the form

$$n_e(x, 0), n_d(x, 0) = \begin{cases} \text{positive constant} & \text{if } x < 0 \\ 0 & \text{if } x > 0 \end{cases},$$

the two morphs n_e, n_d spread into the state $(0, 0)$ at a single speed



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- used method of van Saarloos, Phys Rpts, 2003 (dispersion relation, stationary phase approximation) to argue that in the limit when $\mu \rightarrow 0$, there are three possible spreading speeds

$$v_d = 2\sqrt{D_d r_d}, \quad v_e = 2\sqrt{D_e r_e}, \quad v_a = \frac{r_e D_d - r_d D_e}{\sqrt{(r_e - r_d)(D_d - D_e)}}$$

- argued that speed v_a , which

- is larger than v_e, v_d

- depends on both sets of dispersal and growth parameters

is admissible/selected provided

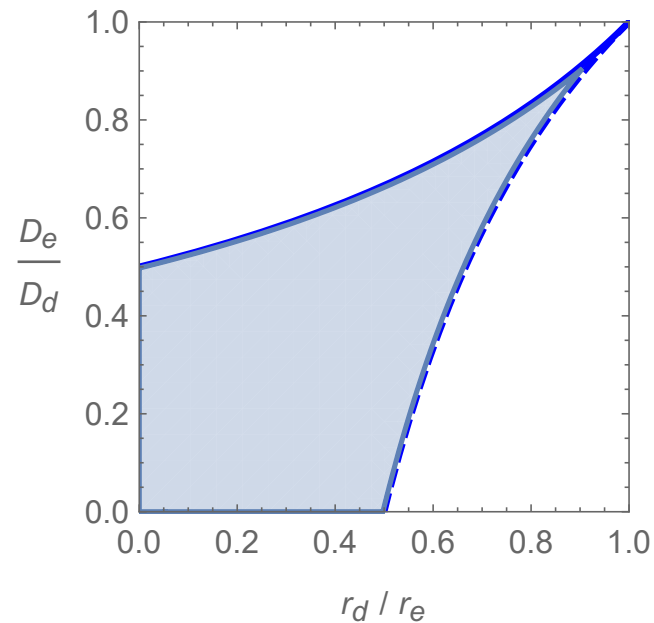
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then when there is a small positive mutation $\mu > 0$, the 2 morphs spread together at faster speed than either would spread in isolation

‘anomalous spreading’

Other related work

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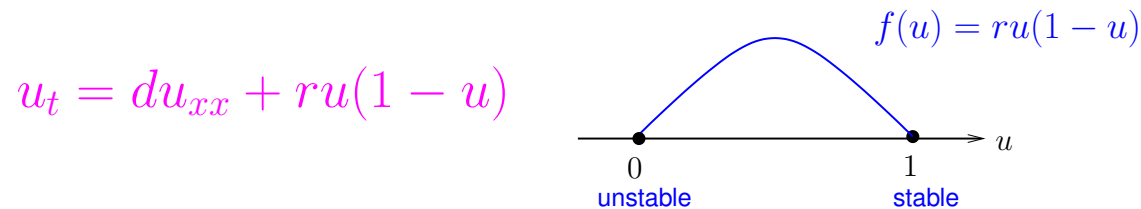
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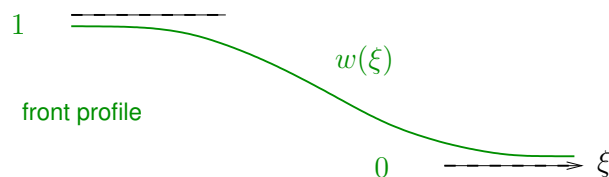
- Tang and Fife, ARMA 1980

- $\mu = 0$, existence of travelling waves for all speeds $\geq \max\{2\sqrt{D_d r_d}, 2\sqrt{D_e r_e}\}$

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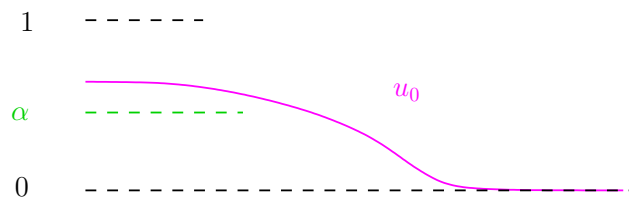
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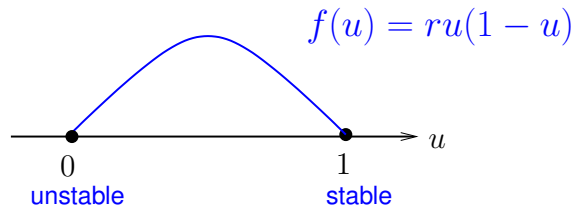
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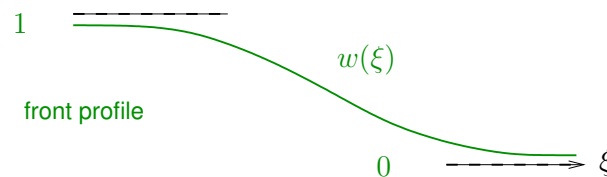
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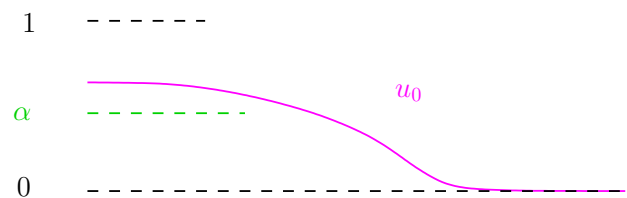
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- so for given $\beta > 0$, the speed c is the **Perron-Frobenius eigenvalue** of $H_{\beta, \mu} := \beta A + \beta^{-1}f'(0) = \beta A + \beta^{-1}(g'(0) + \mu M)$, *i.e.*

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and $q > 0$ is the corresponding eigenvector, which is positive

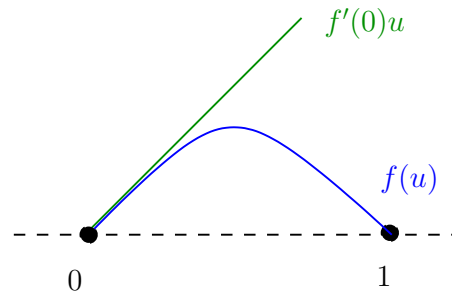
- minimising $\eta_{PF}(H_{\beta, \mu})$ over β gives the minimal c with a positive vector q : define the μ -dependent **linear value**

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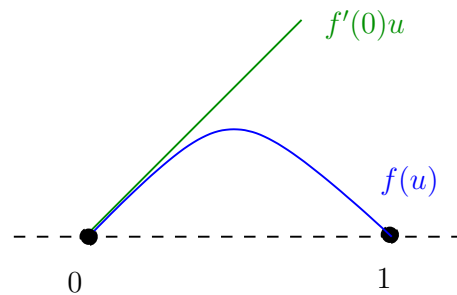


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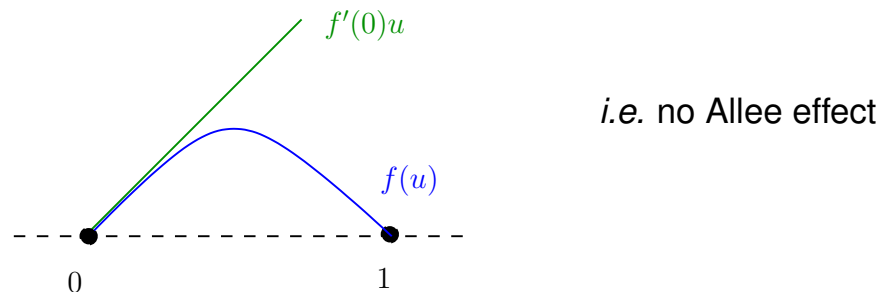
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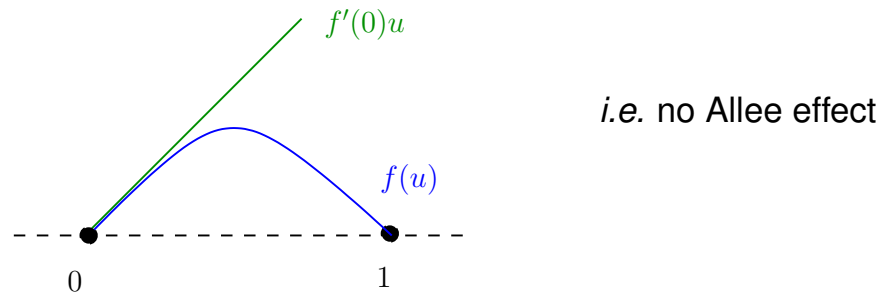
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2. Exploiting the Linearised Problem:

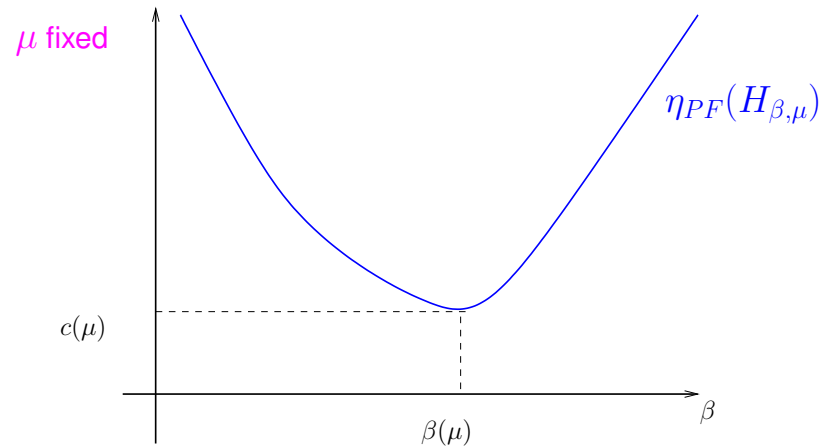
how does the
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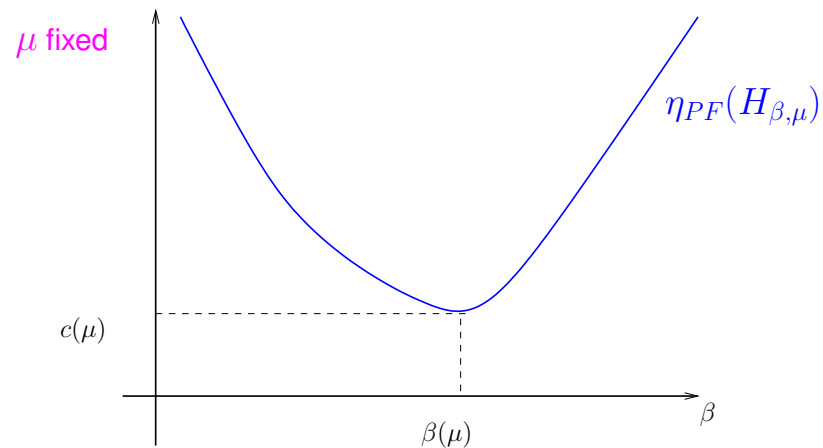


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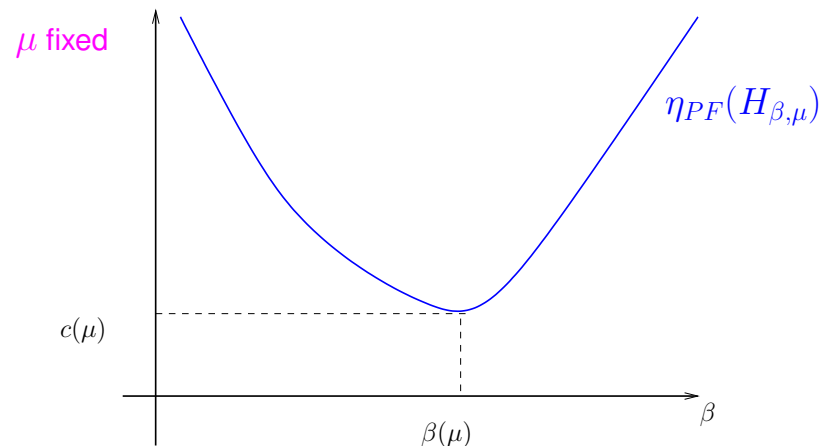
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cf. [Altenberg, PNAS (2012)]: positive semigroup framework

reduction phenomenon - greater mixing \Rightarrow lowered growth

- the proof exploits properties of the Perron-Frobenius eigenvalue η_{PF} :

(i) convexity properties of η_{PF} :

(Cohen, '81) if P_1, P_2 are diagonal and Q has positive off-diagonal elements,
then for $0 < \alpha < 1$,

$$\eta_{PF}(\alpha P_1 + (1 - \alpha)P_2 + Q) \leq \alpha \eta_{PF}(P_1 + Q) + (1 - \alpha) \eta_{PF}(P_2 + Q)$$

(ii) the fact that $\eta_{PF}(M) = 0$: since $M = \begin{pmatrix} -e & d \\ e & -d \end{pmatrix}$ has zero column sums, we have

$$(1 \quad 1) \begin{pmatrix} -e & d \\ e & -d \end{pmatrix} = (0 \quad 0)$$

Idea of the proof

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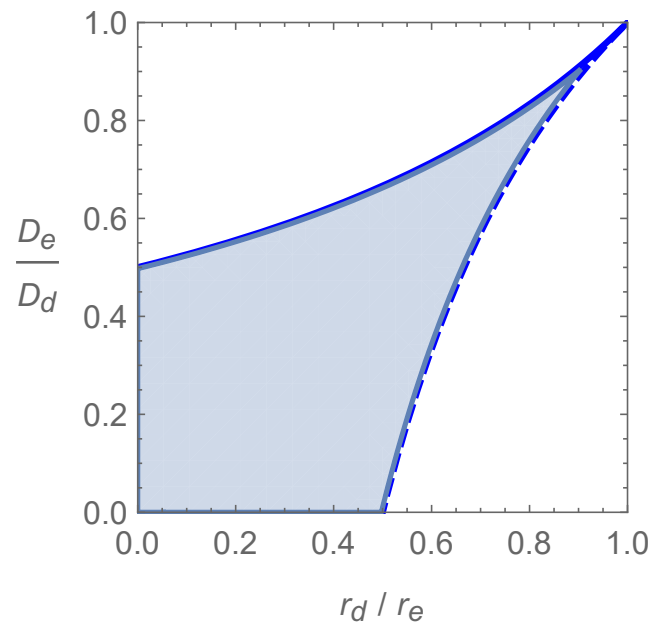
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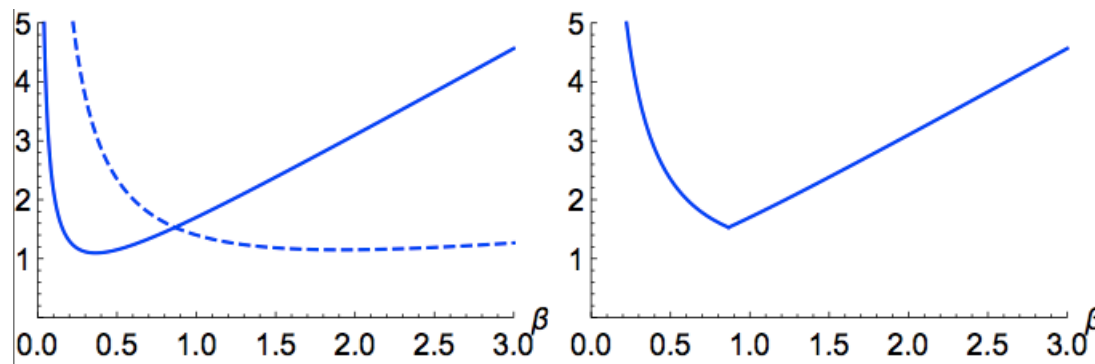
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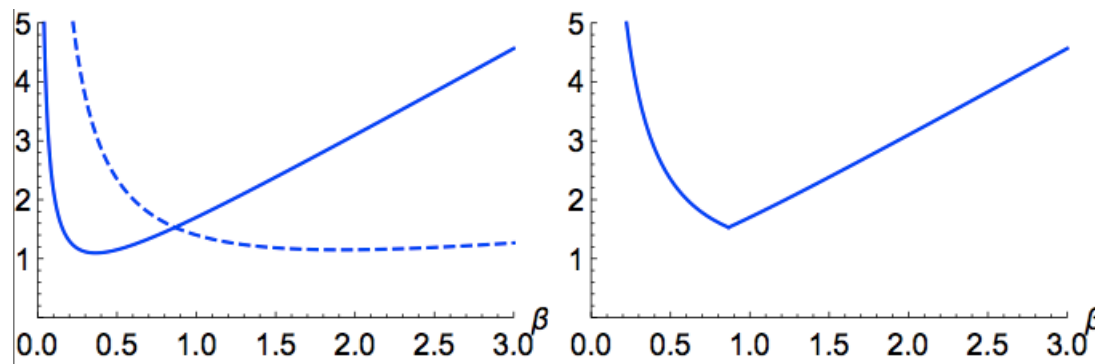
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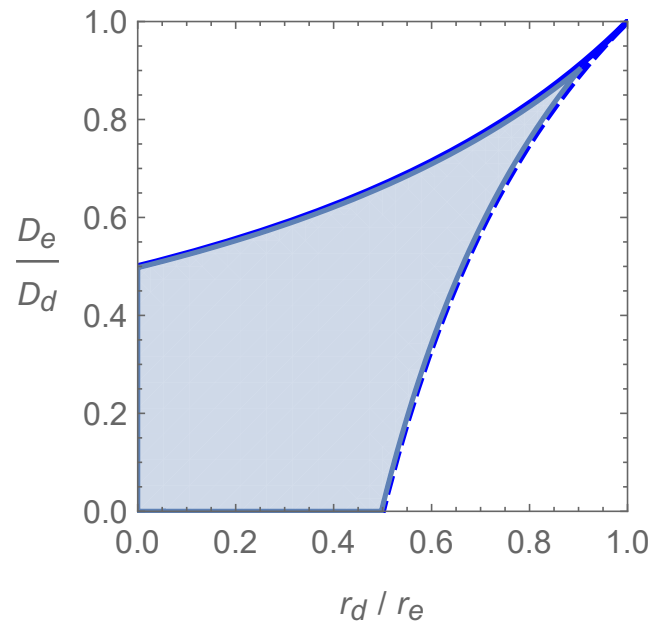
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i.e. condition for the 2 morphs to spread together at a speed faster than either spreads alone

4. Exploiting the Linearised Problem:

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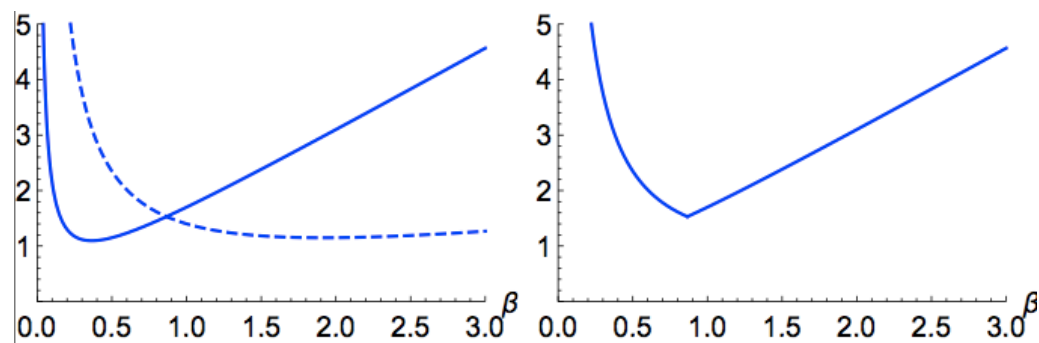
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has a **two-dimensional eigenspace**



What happens to the principal eigenvector q as $\mu \rightarrow 0$?

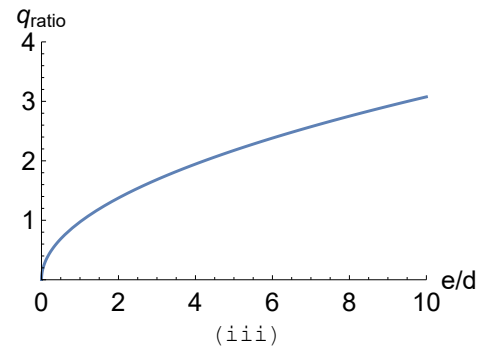
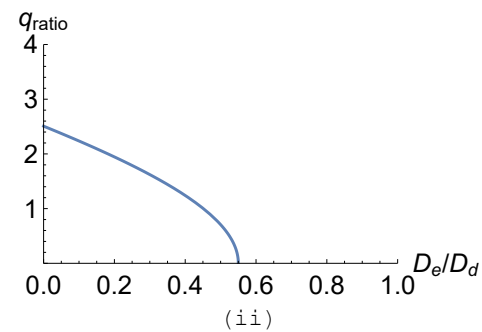
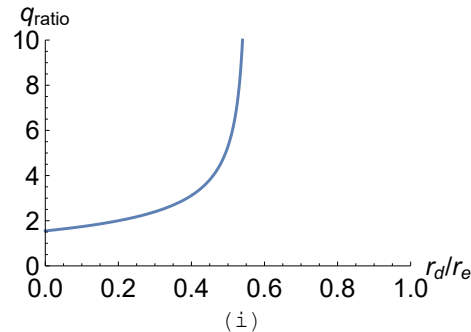
- provided $c(\mu)$, etc, differentiable and the limits $\lim_{\mu \rightarrow 0} \frac{c(\mu) - c_0}{\mu}$ and $\lim_{\mu \rightarrow 0} \frac{\beta(\mu) - \beta^*}{\mu}$ exist,

$$q_{\text{ratio}} = \frac{q_d}{q_e} \rightarrow \sqrt{\left(\frac{2D - rD - 1}{2r - rD - 1} \right)} m \quad \text{as } \mu \rightarrow 0,$$

where

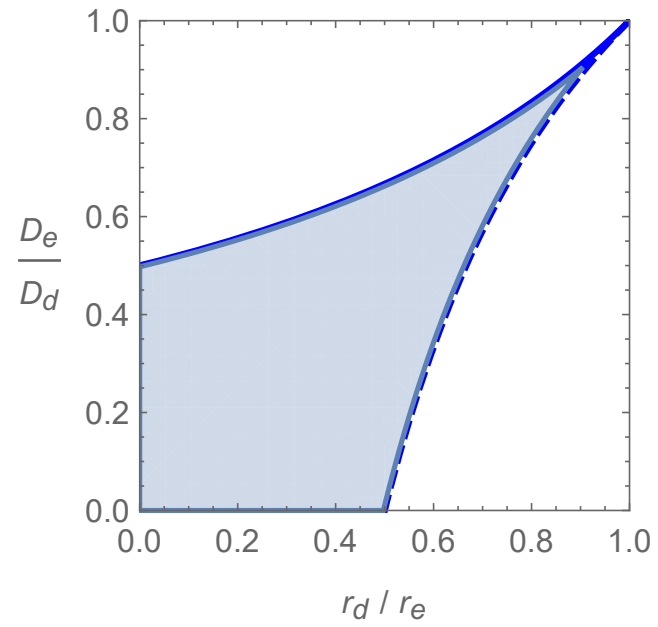
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where D and m are fixed in (i), r and m in (ii), and r and D in (iii)

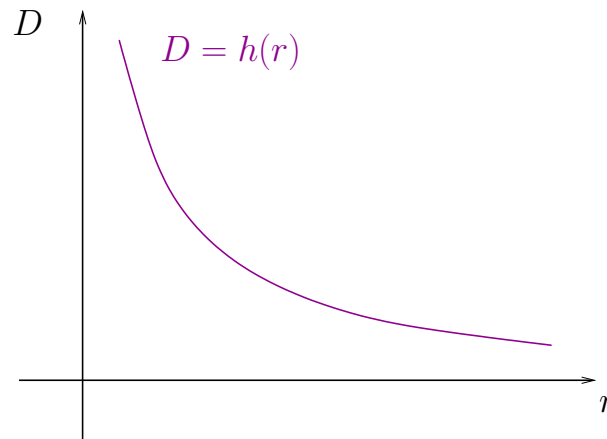
5. Trade-offs and the 'anomalous spreading' region



- suppose a functional form of trade off between dispersal and growth, say

$$D = h(r)$$

where $h : (0, \infty) \rightarrow (0, \infty)$ is decreasing



- are the ‘anomalous spreading’ conditions

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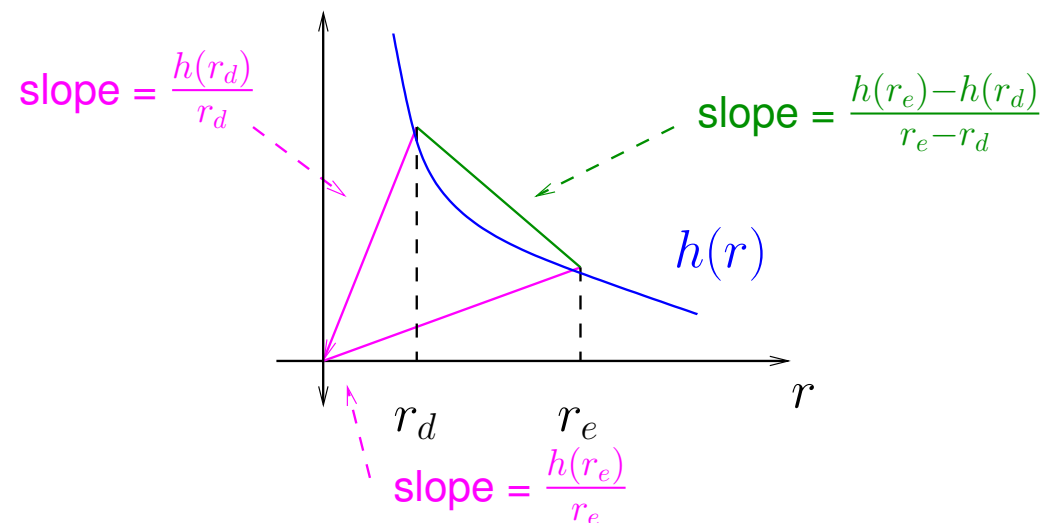
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- **geometric condition for general case:** if $r_e > r_d$, then

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if and only if

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