Mechanisms that maintain diversity

Diversity: Species coexistence

Coexistence: Non-linear * Environmental dynamics heterogeneity

(density-dependence) (temporal, spatial)

Coexistence via interplay between non-linearity and temporal heterogeneity

Spatial heterogeneity: population/community level responses

Temporal heterogeneity: trait responses → population/ community dynamics

Temporal heterogeneity: biotic or abiotic

Abiotic environmental variation: temperature



1. Temperature affects all life stages of ectotherms

2. Life history and interaction traits temperature dependent

Temperature affects all life stages of ectotherms



Stage-structured models

Traits are temperature dependent



Jensen's inequality: $f(\overline{T})
eq f(T)$

Temperature effects on population dynamics



 $\begin{array}{ll} \mbox{Recruitment} & \mbox{Maturation} & \mbox{Death} \\ \\ \hline \frac{dE}{dt} = {\bf b}({\bf T},{\bf A})A - m_E(T)E - d_E(T)E & \mbox{Egg} \\ \\ \hline \frac{dN}{dt} = m_E(T)E - m_N(T)N - d_N(T)N - {\bf q_N}({\bf T},{\bf N})N & \mbox{Juvenile} \\ \\ \hline \frac{dA}{dt} = m_N(T)N - d_A(T)A - {\bf q_A}({\bf T},{\bf A})A & \mbox{Adult} \end{array}$

Density-dependence: Fecundity Juvenile mortality Adult mortality



Boltzmann-Arrhenius function



Development

Sharpe-Schoolfield equation

Mechanistic basis of the temperature response of development



Rate of catalytic reaction

Probability being in active state

Overall Temperature response

Unimodal



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Density-dependence: Fecundity Juvenile mortality Adult mortality

Temperature response of intra-specific competition

1. Competition increases with temperature





290

Temperature (K)

300

310

Trait (k₁)

Temperature (K)

Recruitment Maturation Death

$$\begin{split} \frac{dE}{dt} &= \mathbf{b}(\mathbf{T}, \mathbf{A})A - m_E(T)E - d_E(T)E & \text{Egg} \\ \frac{dN}{dt} &= m_E(T)E - m_N(T)N - d_N(T)N - \mathbf{q_N}(\mathbf{T}, \mathbf{N})N \\ \frac{dA}{dt} &= m_N(T)N - d_A(T)A - \mathbf{q_A}(\mathbf{T}, \mathbf{A})A & \text{Juvenile} \\ \end{split}$$

1. Constant temperature

2. Diurnal and/or seasonal variation in temperature

$$\begin{split} \frac{dE}{dt} &= \mathbf{b}(\mathbf{T}, \mathbf{A})A - m_E(T)E - d_E(T)E & \text{Egg} \\ \frac{dN}{dt} &= m_E(T)E - m_N(T)N - d_N(T)N - \mathbf{q_N}(\mathbf{T}, \mathbf{N})N \\ \frac{dA}{dt} &= m_N(T)N - d_A(T)A - \mathbf{q_A}(\mathbf{T}, \mathbf{A})A & \text{Adult} \end{split}$$

Stage-structured dynamics under constant temperatures

Conditions for population to increase from low density when vital rates are temperaturedependent. Stage-structured dynamics under constant temperatures

Conditions for population to increase when rare: intrinsic growth rate (r_m) > 0

r_m = f(birth, development, death)

Age-structured population dynamics with temperature dependence of life history traits

$$\int_0^\infty e^{-r_m x} l_x b_x \, \mathrm{d}x = 1$$

Euler-Lotka equation

$$r_m(T) = -d(T) + \frac{1}{\alpha(T)} W\left(b(T)\alpha(T)e^{\left(d(T) - \bar{d}(T)\right)\alpha(T)}\right)$$

b(T) temperature response of fecundity $\overline{d}(T), d(T)$ temperature responses of juvenile and adult mortality $\alpha(T)$ temperature response of development

(Amarasekare and Savage 2012)

Temperature dependence of r_m in terms of temperature responses of life history traits

Reproduction: Gaussian

Development: exponential

Mortality: exponential

$$r_{m}(T) = -d_{T_{R}}e^{A_{d}TD} + \frac{1}{\alpha_{T_{R}}e^{A_{\alpha}TD}}W\left(\bar{b}_{T_{R}}\alpha_{T_{R}}e^{A_{\alpha}TD} - \frac{(T-T_{\text{opt}_{\bar{b}}})^{2}}{2s^{2}} + \alpha_{T_{R}}e^{A_{\alpha}TD}\left(d_{T_{R}}e^{A_{d}TD} - \bar{d}_{T_{R}}e^{A_{\bar{d}}TD}\right)\right)$$

where

W=Lambert W function (product logarithm)

 $TD = \left(\frac{1}{T_R} - \frac{1}{T}\right)$

(Amarasekare and Savage 2012)

Temperature dependence of r_m



Temperature (C)

Case studies: Tropical and temperate insects

Tropical



Clavigralla shadabi Benin, Africa 8⁰20'N

Temperate



Acyrthosiphon pisum York, England 53⁰57'N



Tropical (Dryer and Baumgartner 1996)

Temperate (Morgan *et al.* 2001)

Tropical and temperate species



Temperature effects on population persistence

Density-independent population growth

Fitness =
$$r_m(T) \begin{bmatrix} > 0 => Persistence \\ < 0 => Extinction \end{bmatrix}$$

r_m(T): f(b(T), a(T), d(T))

Temperature effects on population persistence

Temp. responses of life history traits conserved across ectotherm taxa

Predict r_m(T) for any species

r_m(T): metric of extinction risk due to climate warming

Temperature effects on population persistence

Density-independent population growth

Fitness =
$$r_m = \begin{cases} > 0 \Rightarrow Persistence \\ < 0 \Rightarrow Extinction \end{cases}$$

Density-dependent population growth (resources, natural enemies)

Fitness = f(density)



Densitydependent factors Temperature responses of life history traits Population viability

$$\begin{split} \frac{dE}{dt} &= \mathbf{b}(\mathbf{T}, \mathbf{A})A - m_E(T)E - d_E(T)E & \text{Egg} \\ \frac{dN}{dt} &= m_E(T)E - m_N(T)N - d_N(T)N - \mathbf{q_N}(\mathbf{T}, \mathbf{N})N \\ \frac{dA}{dt} &= m_N(T)N - d_A(T)A - \mathbf{q_A}(\mathbf{T}, \mathbf{A})A & \text{Adult} \end{split}$$

Thermal environment: seasonal variation in temperature



Clavigralla shadabi **Benin** 8⁰20'N *Murgantia histrionica* **California, USA** 33⁰37'N Acyrthosiphon pisum York, England 53⁰57'N

Incorporating seasonal variation into model

- Let T=m(t) where
 - T: temperature,
 - t: time (in days)
 - m(t): sinusoidal function describing seasonal variation

Incorporating seasonal variation into model

$$T(t) = meanT - amplT\cos\left(\frac{2\pi t}{year}\right)$$

meanT= mean annual temperature, amplT = amplitude of temperature fluctuations (max-min) year = 365.25

Recruitment Maturation Death

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{dE}{dt} &= \mathbf{b}(\mathbf{T})(\mathbf{A})A - m_E(T)E - d_E(T)E & \text{Egg} \\ \frac{dN}{dt} &= m_E(T)E - m_N(T)N - d_N(T)N - \mathbf{q_N}(\mathbf{T})(\mathbf{N})N \\ \frac{dA}{dt} &= m_N(T)N - d_A(T)A - \mathbf{q_A}(\mathbf{T})(\mathbf{A})A & \text{Juvenile} \\ \end{aligned}$$

Case study: Mediterranean species



Harlequin bug (*Murgantia histronica*)

Well-studied in the field

Temperature responses of traits quantified

Interplay between density-dependence and temperature variation

Case 1. Density-dependence at the earliest life stage (eggs)

Stage-structured population model

Temperature –dependent parameters

Density-dependent fecundity

1. Constant temperature

2. Seasonal variation in temperature

Constant environment: density-dependent fecundity



Stage-structured population dynamics in a seasonal environment



Competition increases with temperature

Stage-structured population dynamics in a seasonal environment



Competition strongest at intermediate temperatures

Density-dependence at egg stage



Competition increases with temperature

Competition strongest at intermediate temperatures

Interplay between density-dependent fecundity and temperature variation

Egg stage affected by competition and temperature

Nymphal stage tracks egg stage

Adult stage buffered from temperature variation

Interplay between density-dependence and temperature variation

Case 2. Density-dependence at the intermediate life stage (nymphs/larvae)

Stage-structured population model

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{dE}{dt} &= b(T)A - m_E(T)E - d_E(T)E\\ \frac{dN}{dt} &= m_E(T)E - m_N(T)N - d_N(T)N - q(T)N^2\\ \frac{dA}{dt} &= m_N(T)N - d_A(T)A \end{aligned}$$

Density-dependent mortality at nymphal stage

Constant environment: density-dependent nymphal mortality



Density-dependence at nymphal stage



Competition increases with temperature

Competition strongest at intermediate temperatures

Interplay between density-dependent nymphal mortality and temperature variation

Egg stage affected by temperature only

Nymphal stage affected by temperature and competition

Adult stage buffered from temperature variation

Interplay between density-dependence and temperature variation

Case 3. Density-dependence at the adult stage

Stage-structured population model

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{dE}{dt} &= b(T)A - m_E(T)E - d_E(T)E\\ \frac{dN}{dt} &= m_E(T)E - m_N(T)N - d_N(T)N\\ \frac{dA}{dt} &= m_N(T)N - d_A(T)A - q(T)A^2 \end{aligned}$$

Density-dependent mortality at the adult stage

Constant environment: density-dependent adult mortality



Density-dependence at adult stage



Competition increases with temperature

Competition strongest at intermediate temperatures

Interplay between density-dependent adult mortality and temperature variation

Egg and nymphal stages affected by temperature only

Adult stage affected by temperature *and* competition

Adult stage exhibits fluctuations in abundance

Interplay between density-dependence and temperature variation

Egg stage exhibits the greatest fluctuations in abundance

DD fecundity*temperature variation – more complex dynamics

DD at adult stage – lowest overall abundance