

# Global and local averaging for integrodifferential equations

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# Motivation

Reaction-diffusion equation for individuals or genes

$$u_t = Du_{xx} + F(u)$$

- Infinite homogeneous landscape: Invasion speed

$$c^* = 2\sqrt{DF'(0)} \quad \text{Fisher (1937), Weinberger (1982)}$$

- Single patch: Minimal domain size

$$L^* = \pi\sqrt{D/F'(0)} \quad \text{Skellam (1951), Kierstadt and Slobotkin (1953)}$$

- Many patches?

# Heterogeneous landscapes

Reaction-diffusion equation in a periodic environment

$$u_t = (D(x)u_x)_x + F(u, x)$$

with  $D$  and  $F(u, \cdot)$  of the same period.

Persistence conditions and invasion speeds

- Exact conditions for piecewise constant landscapes

Shigesada et al (1986)

- Abstract results for periodic landscapes

Weinberger (2002), Berestycki et al (2005)

# Homogenization

Assume: Small and large spatial scale  
Average over the small scale

$$u_t = \tilde{D}u_{xx} + \tilde{F}(u).$$

where

$$\tilde{D} = \left( \frac{1}{L} \int_0^L \frac{dy}{D(y)} \right)^{-1}, \quad \tilde{F}(u) = \frac{1}{L} \int_0^L F(u, y) dy,$$

- $\tilde{F}'(0) > 0 \Rightarrow$  persistence
- $D = 0$  somewhere  $\Rightarrow$  no spread
- No correlations between  $D$  and  $F$  enter the equation.
- Requires movement, not applicable to sedentary stages.

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# Modeling movement

- Random walk on real line
- Time between moves has Poisson distribution with mean  $\mu$
- Move length distribution  $K$

$$\begin{aligned}
 u_t(t, x) &= -\mu u(t, x) + \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} K(x - y) \mu u(t, y) dy \\
 &= -\mu u(t, x) + [K * (\mu u)](t, x)
 \end{aligned}$$

- $K$  is symmetric and exponentially bounded
- Moment generating function  $M(s) = \int k(x) e^{sx} dx$

# Including population dynamics

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# The linear model in a heterogeneous landscape

We consider the model

$$u_t(t, x) = f(x)u(t, x) + g(x)[K * (hu)](x)$$

with  $0 \leq g \leq 1$ ,  $h = h(x) \geq 0$ .

Periodic Landscape:

- Patch type  $i$  of length  $L_i$
- Period  $L_1 + L_2 = L$  and fraction  $p = L_1/L$
- Parameter functions piecewise constant:  $f(x) = f_i$  on patch  $i$
- Dispersal kernel origin dependent:  $K_i(z)$  on patch  $i$

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Periodicity

$$\lambda \tilde{u}(z) = \tilde{f}(z)\tilde{u}(z) + \tilde{g}(z) \int_0^1 \sum_n L\tilde{K}(L(z-w-n); w)\tilde{h}(w)\tilde{u}(w)dw.$$



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If only  $h$  depends on  $x$ :

$$\lambda = f + g \int_0^1 \tilde{h}(w) dw$$

Dispersal, via  $K$ , helps to average local growth. But  $f, g$  outside the integral have to be constant.

# Averaging III

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Piecewise constant parameter functions

$$\lambda u_1(z) = f_1 u_1(z) + g_1 h_1 \int_0^p u_1(w)dw + g_1 h_2 \int_p^1 u_2(w)dw,$$

$$\lambda u_2(z) = f_2 u_2(z) + g_2 h_1 \int_0^p u_1(w)dw + g_2 h_2 \int_p^1 u_2(w)dw,$$

System of two equations:  $u_i$  is density on patch  $i$

# Averaging Result

Consider the eigenvalue problem

$$\lambda u(x) = f(x)u(x) + g(x) \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} K(x-y; y)h(y)u(y)dy$$

with piecewise constant,  $L$ -periodic coefficient functions.

In the limit  $L \rightarrow 0$ , the dominant eigenvalue satisfies

$$\lambda \begin{bmatrix} u_1 \\ u_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} f_1 + g_1 h_1 p & g_1 h_2 (1-p) \\ g_2 h_1 p & f_2 + g_2 h_2 (1-p) \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} u_1 \\ u_2 \end{bmatrix}.$$

# Example

## Continuous movement and growth

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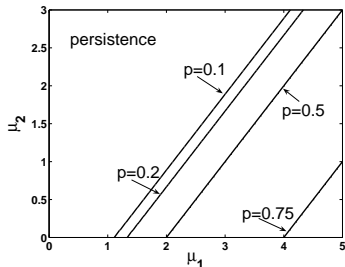
Scale  $r_1 = 1, r_2 < 0$ .

Persistence condition

$$\mu_1 < \frac{1}{1 - p}$$

or

$$|r_2| < \frac{\mu_2 p}{\mu_1 (1 - p) - 1}$$



Persistence boundary for zero mean growth

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## Patch scale - idea

Eigenvalue equation as before

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Now split into patch types

$$\lambda u_1(z) = f_1 u_1(z) + g_1 h_1 \int_0^p \hat{K}_1(z-w) u_1(w) dw + g_1 h_2 \int_p^1 \hat{K}_2(z-w) u_2(w) dw,$$

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Take averages  $\bar{u}_1 = \frac{1}{p} \int_0^p u_1(z) dz$ , and  $\bar{u}_2$  accordingly.

## Patch scale - result

To lowest order, the averages satisfy

$$\lambda \begin{bmatrix} \bar{u}_1 \\ \bar{u}_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} f_1 + g_1 h_1 s_1^{11} & g_1 h_2 \frac{1-p}{p} s_2^{12} \\ g_2 h_1 \frac{p}{1-p} s_1^{21} & f_2 + g_2 h_2 s_2^{22} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \bar{u}_1 \\ \bar{u}_2 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Where the average dispersal success from patch  $j$  to patch  $i$  is

$$s^{ij} = \frac{1}{|\Omega_j|} \int_{\Omega_j} \int_{\Omega_i} K(x-y) dx dy.$$

Global averaging results when  $s^{ij}$  equals the fraction of type  $i$  patches.

The  $s^{ij}$ -terms contain local movement information

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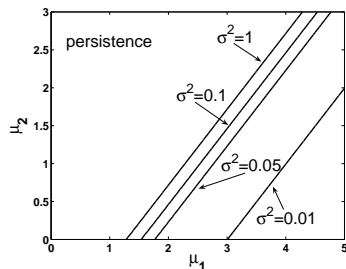
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Laplace Kernel

$$K(x) = \frac{1}{2d} \exp(-|x|/d)$$

variance  $\sigma^2 = 2d^2$



Persistence boundary for zero mean growth,  $\rho = 0.2$

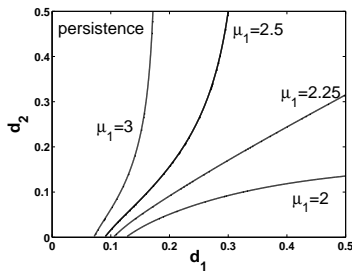
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Persistence boundary from dispersal distances

$d_i$ : dispersal distance from patch  $i$

$$\mu_2 = 1$$

$$p = 0.2$$



No persistence for global averaging

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# Traveling periodic wave - linear

Ansatz

$$u(t, x) = e^{-s(x-ct)} v(x)$$

Eigenvalue equation

$$scv(x) = f(x)v(x) + g(x) \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} K(x-y; y) e^{s(x-y)} h(y) v(y) dy$$

As before (global averaging)

$$scv(z) = f(z)v(z) + g(z) \int_0^1 M(s; w) h(w) v(w) dw.$$

$$M(s; w) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \tilde{K}(z'; w) e^{sz'} dz'$$

# Minimal speed

Model equation

$$u_t(t, x) = f(x)u(t, x) + g(x)[K * (hu)](x)$$

**Result:** In the fine-grain limit  $L \rightarrow 0$ , the minimal TW speed is

$$c = \min_{s>0} \frac{1}{s} \rho(s),$$

where  $\rho(s)$  is the dominant eigenvalue of

$$\begin{bmatrix} f_1 + g_1 h_1 M_1(s) p & g_1 h_2 M_2(s) (1 - p) \\ g_2 h_1 M_1(s) p & f_2 + g_2 h_2 M_2(s) (1 - p) \end{bmatrix}$$

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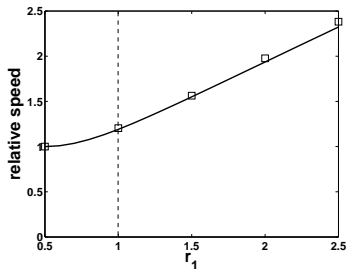
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Laplace Kernel (mean  $d$ )

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Moment generating function

$$M(s) = \frac{1}{1 - d^2 s^2}$$



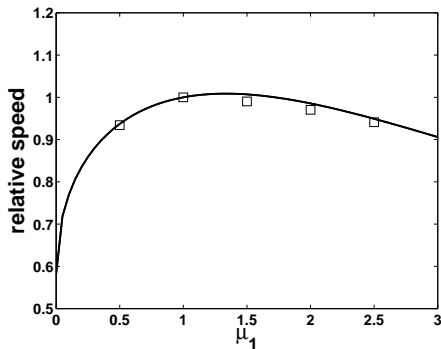
Speed with constant mean growth. Only  $r$  varies.



# Example - continued

$$r_1 = 1, r_2 = 0$$

$$\mu_2 = 1$$



Maximum Speed for intermediate movement rate  $\mu_1$ .

## Example II

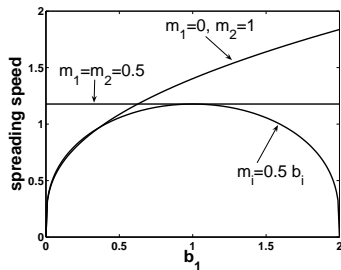
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constant average net growth

$$p(b_1 - m_1) + (1 - p)(b_2 - m_2) = 1/2$$



Speeds for different scenarios

# Conclusions

- 1 Technique of homogenization
  - deal with integrals
  - deal with non-mobile compartment
  - patch averaging retains movement information
- 2 Results for specific models
  - Not just averaged growth and dispersal
  - Correlations matter
- 3 Extensions
  - Apply to kernels with movement behavior (Jeff Musgrave)
  - patch averaging for RDE (with Christina Cobbold)
  - Apply to reaction-diffusion equations with no-mobile stage

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