

# Random Trees and Genealogies

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# OUTLINE

Neutral models of evolution

Simple models of evolution with selection

Traveling waves and noise

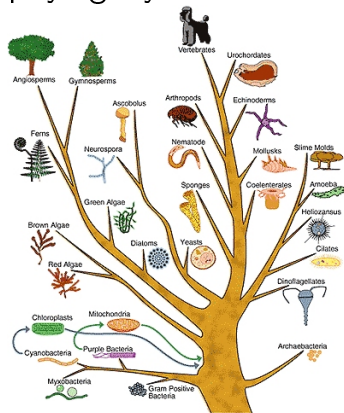
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# Asexual Reproduction



## phylogeny



family names

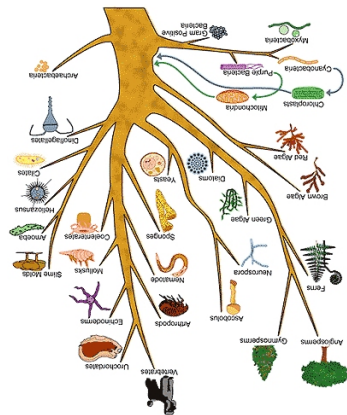
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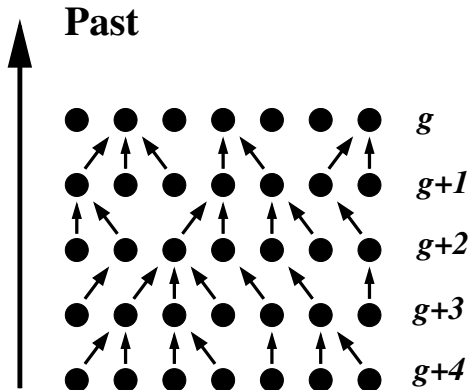
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## Neutral model of evolution:

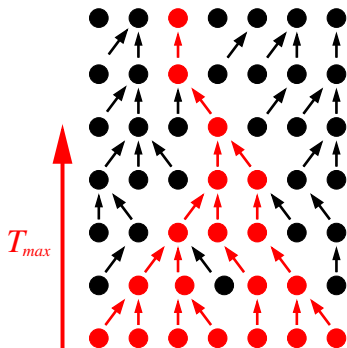
- ▶ One parent model (asexual reproduction)
- ▶ Population of fixed size  $N$
- ▶ Each individual has its parent chosen at random in the previous generation (neutrality)

## Wright-Fisher model (1930-1931)



## Coalescence times:

Age of the most recent common ancestor  $T_{max}$

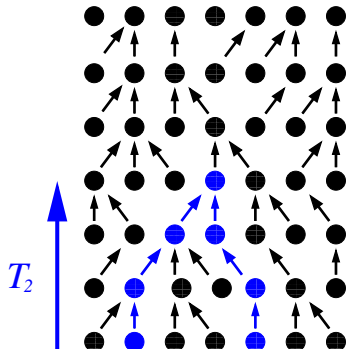
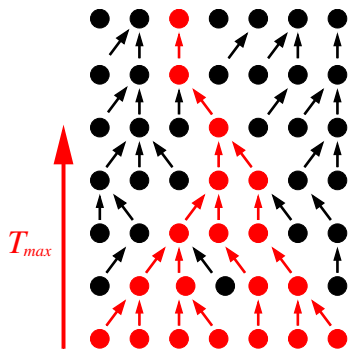


$$T_{max} \sim N$$

$T_{max}$  is a non self-averaging quantity

## Coalescence times:

Ages of the most recent common ancestors  $T_{max}$  and  $T_2$



$$T_{max} \sim T_2 \sim N$$

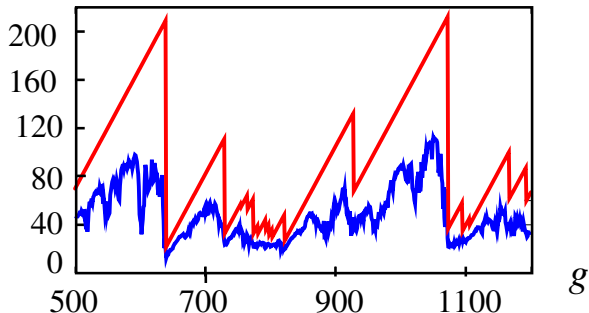
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## Evolution of $T_{max}$ and $\overline{T}_2$

$T_{max}$  = age of the most recent common ancestor

$\overline{T}_2$  = average over the population of  $T_2$

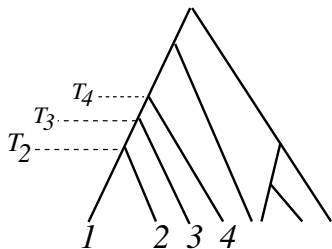
$T_{max}, \overline{T}_2$



Serva 2005  
Simon D. 2006



$T_p$  = age of the most recent common ancestor  
of  $p$  individuals chosen at random



$$\langle T_p \rangle \simeq \frac{2(p-1)}{p} N$$

$$\langle T_3 \rangle / \langle T_2 \rangle = \frac{4}{3}$$

$$\langle T_4 \rangle / \langle T_2 \rangle = \frac{3}{2}$$

The ratios  $\frac{\langle T_p \rangle}{\langle T_2 \rangle}$  are universal

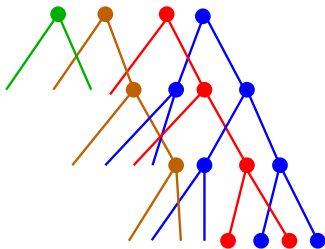
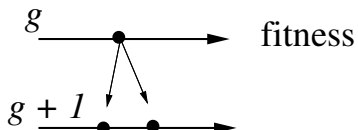
$e^{-T_2}$  plays a role very similar to the overlap in spin-glasses

## Summary on neutral models of asexual reproduction

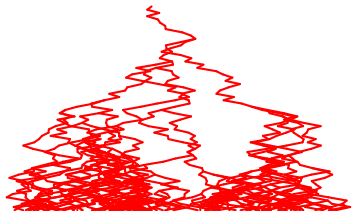
- ▶ The coalescence times  $T_p$  are not selfaveraging
- ▶ Kingman's coalescent
- ▶  $T_p \sim N$
- ▶ Universal ratios  $\langle T_p \rangle / \langle T_2 \rangle$
- ▶  $d = 1$  is different (non-mean field)

# MODELS OF EVOLUTION WITH SELECTION

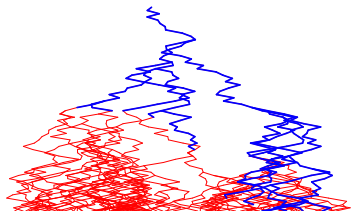
- ▶ Population of size  $N$
- ▶ Each individual has 2 offspring at the next generation
- ▶ The **fitness** is transmitted up to some small change due to mutations
- ▶ The  $N$  **right-most** individuals are **selected**



## Branching random walk

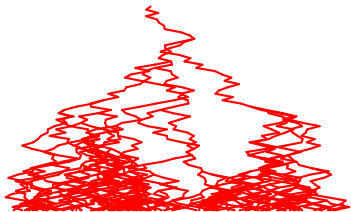


## Branching random walk + selection

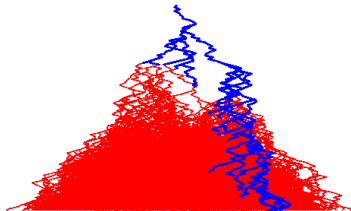
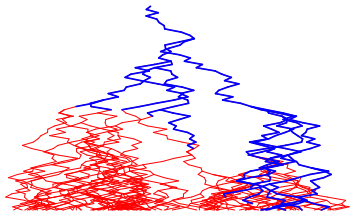


$$N \leq 5$$

# Branching random walk



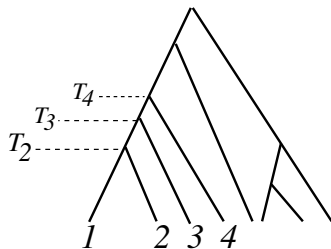
# Branching random walk + selection



# QUESTIONS

For a population of fixed size  $N$

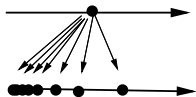
- ▶  $v_N$  velocity of the population
- ▶  $D_N$  diffusion constant
- ▶ Genealogy
  - ▶ Ages of the most recent common ancestors



- ▶ Shape of the genealogical trees

## Exponential model

- ▶ Population of size  $N$
- ▶ Each individual has infinitely many offspring at the next generation
- ▶ An individual at position  $x$  has an offspring in  $(x + y, x + y + dy)$  with probability  $e^{-y} dy$  (Poisson process).



- ▶ The  $N$  right-most individuals are selected

Brunet D. Mueller Munier 2006-2007

$$v_N \simeq \log \log N$$

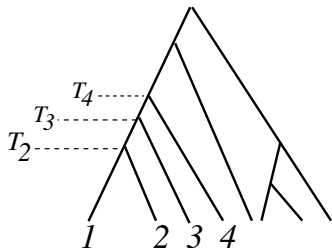
$$D_N \sim \frac{1}{\log N}$$

$$\langle T_2 \rangle \simeq \log N$$

$$\frac{\langle T_3 \rangle}{\langle T_2 \rangle} \rightarrow \frac{5}{4}$$

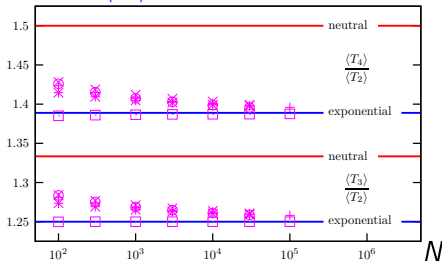
$$\frac{\langle T_4 \rangle}{\langle T_2 \rangle} \rightarrow \frac{25}{18}$$

# Coalescence times: simulations $N \rightarrow 10^5$



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Ratios  $\frac{\langle T_p \rangle}{\langle T_2 \rangle}$



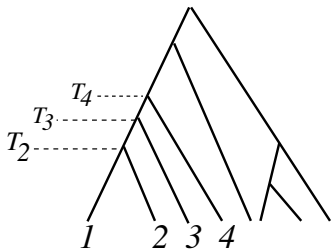
$$\frac{\langle T_3 \rangle}{\langle T_2 \rangle} \rightarrow \frac{5}{4} \neq \frac{4}{3}$$

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selection  $\neq$  neutral

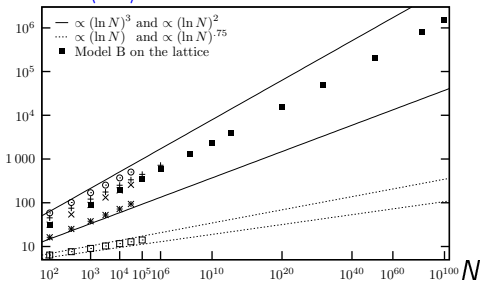


# Coalescence times: simulations $N \rightarrow 10^{100}$



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## Time $\langle T_2 \rangle$



$$\langle T_2 \rangle \sim \log^3 N$$

exponential model:  
 $\langle T_2 \rangle \sim \log N$

neutral model:  
 $\langle T_2 \rangle \sim N$

# Today's lecture: Evolution with selection

	neutral	selection
$T_3/T_2$	4/3	5/4
$T_4/T_2$	3/2	25/18
$T_p/T_2$	$2(p-1)/p$	long expression
Trees	Kingman 82	Parisi (79-80) Bolthausen-Sznitman (98)
$T_p \sim$	$N$	$(\log N)^3$

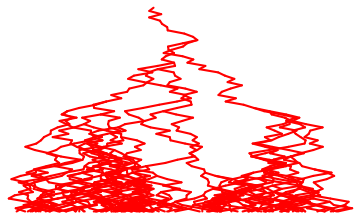
# Fisher equation and branching random walk

The Fisher-KPP equation

$$\frac{dc}{dt} = \frac{d^2c}{dx^2} + c - c^2$$

Fisher 1937

Kolmogorov Petrovsky Piscounov 1937



McKean 1975

$Q(x, t)$  probability that the right-most walker is at the right of  $x$

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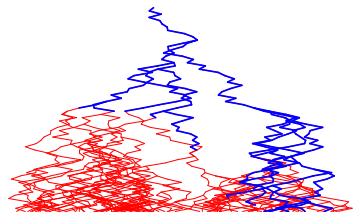
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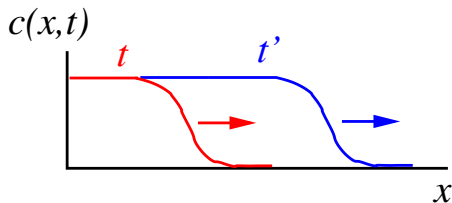
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## Traveling wave equation + noise

$$\frac{dc}{dt} = \frac{d^2c}{dx^2} + c - c^2 + \frac{1}{\sqrt{N}} \eta(x, t) \sqrt{c(1-c)}$$

Brunet D. 1997



Brunet D. Mueller Munier  
2006

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2008

$$v_N \simeq 2 - \frac{\pi^2}{\log^2 N} + \frac{6\pi^2 \log \log N}{\log^3 N}$$

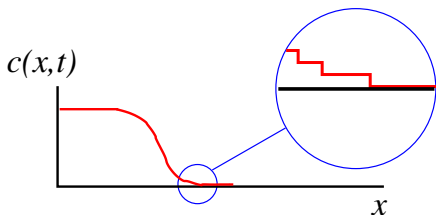
$$D_N \simeq \frac{2\pi^4}{3 \log^3 N}$$

# Cut-off approximation

Brunet Derrida 1997, 2001

Branching random walk + selection

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Replace the noise by  
a cut-off

$$\frac{dc}{dt} = \frac{d^2c}{dx^2} + a(c)(c - c^2) \quad \text{where} \quad a(c) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } Nc \geq 1 \\ 0 & \text{if } Nc \ll 1 \end{cases}$$

# Motivations

- ▶ Evolution with selection

Snydner 2003, Kloster 2005  
Brunet D. Mueller Munier 2006-2007

- ▶ Reaction diffusion

Pechenik Levine 1999  
Conlon Doering 2005  
Mueller Mytnik Quastel 2006

- ▶ Theory of disordered systems: directed polymers

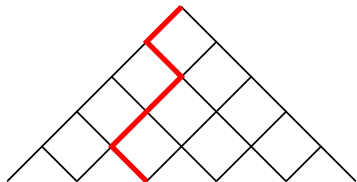
D. Spohn 1988  
Brunet D. 1987-2004

- ▶ QCD

Munier Peschanski 2003  
Marquet Peschanski Soyeux 2005

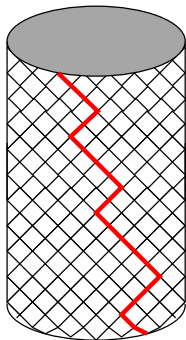
# Directed Polymers in a random medium

1+1 dimension



Random energy  $\epsilon_b$   
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Torus



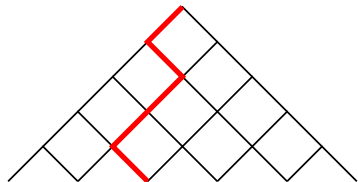
$$E_W = \sum_{b \in W} \epsilon_b$$

Energy of a path =  
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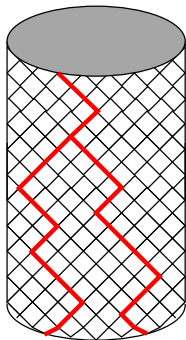
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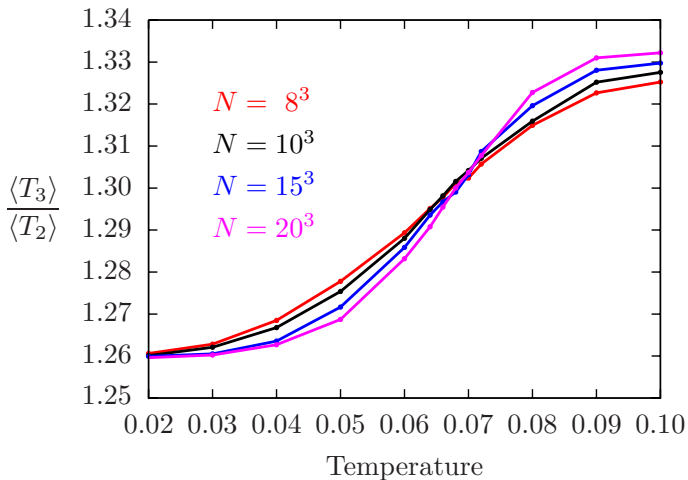
# Directed Polymers in $1 + d$ dimension

## Universal ratios

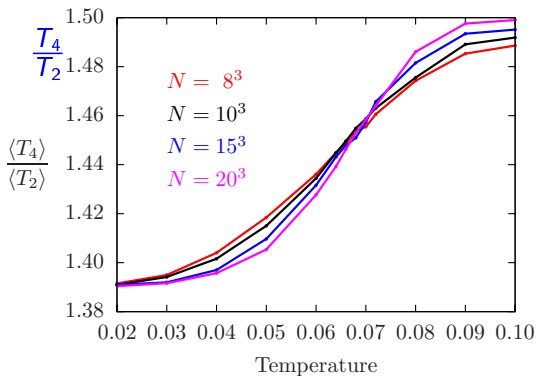
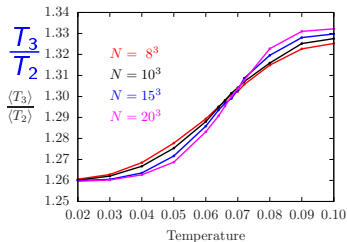
	$T_3/T_2$	$T_4/T_2$
Neutral $d \geq 2 =$ Kingman	$4/3$	$3/2$
Neutral $d = 1$	$7/5$	$8/5$
Directed Polymers $1 + \infty$	$5/4 = 1.25$	$25/18 \simeq 1.39$
Directed Polymers $1 + 2$	1.29	1.42
Directed Polymers $1 + 1$	1.36	1.55

Brunet D. Simon 2008

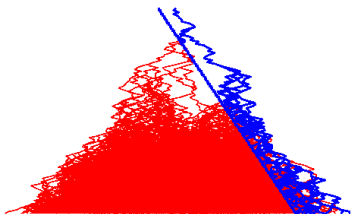
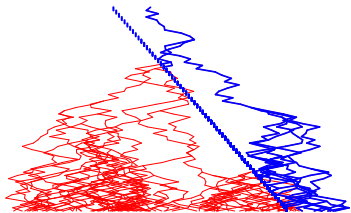
Lattice infinite in the special direction and finite of  $N$  sites in the transverse direction



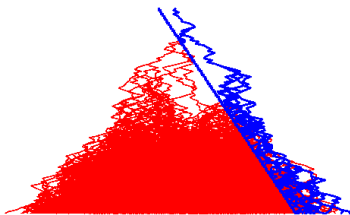
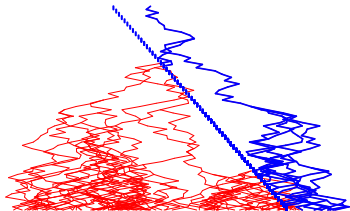
# Phase transitions in dimension 3 + 1



# Branching random walk + wall



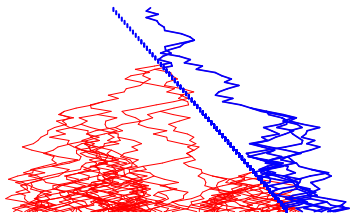
## Branching random walk + wall



The red population by itself  
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The wall moves at velocity  $v$

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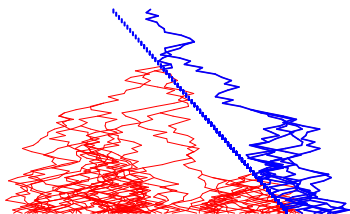
The wall moves at velocity  $v$

$Q(x, t)$  = survival probability of an individual initially at distance  $x$  from the wall

$$\frac{dQ}{dt} = \frac{d^2 Q}{dx^2} - v \frac{dQ}{dx} + Q - Q^2 \quad \text{with} \quad Q(0, t) = 0, \quad Q(x, 0) = 1$$

Fisher 1937 - Kolmogorov Petrovsky Piscounov 1937

# Survival probability



The red population spreads with a known velocity  $v_0$

The wall moves at velocity  $v$

$$v > v_0 \quad Q(x, t) \rightarrow 0$$

$$v < v_0 \quad Q(x, \infty) \sim \exp[-\pi(v_0 - v)^{-1/2} + x]$$

D. Simon 2007

$$v = v_0 \quad Q(x, t) \sim \exp[-(3\pi^2 t)^{1/3}]$$

Kesten 1978



# CONCLUSION

- ▶ Coalescence times  $\rightarrow$  Universality Classes
- ▶ Neutral  $\neq$  Selection
- ▶ Link to disordered systems
- ▶ Noisy traveling wave equations
- ▶ Abraham never met Lucy
- ▶ All human beings have all their ancestors in common

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