

# Patterns of Intraspecific DNA Variation in the *Daphnia* Nuclear Genome

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## ABSTRACT

Understanding nucleotide variation in natural populations has been a subject of great interest for decades. However, many taxonomic groups, especially those with atypical life history attributes remain unstudied, and *Drosophila* is the only arthropod genus for which DNA polymorphism data are presently abundant. As a result of the recent release of the complete genome sequence and a wide variety of new genomic resources, the *Daphnia* system is quickly becoming a promising new avenue for expanding our knowledge of nucleotide variation in natural populations. Here, we examine nucleotide variation in six protein-coding loci for *Daphnia pulex* and its congeners with particular emphasis on *D. pulicaria*, the closest extant relative of *D. pulex*. Levels of synonymous intraspecific variation,  $\pi_s$ , averaged 0.0136 for species in the *Daphnia* genus, and are slightly lower than most prior estimates in invertebrates. Tests of neutrality indicated that segregating variation conforms to neutral model expectations for the loci that we examined in most species, while  $K_a/K_s$  ratios revealed strong purifying selection. Using a full maximum-likelihood coalescent-based method, the ratio of the recombination rate to the mutation rate ( $c/u$ ), averaged 0.5255 for species of the *Daphnia* genus. Lastly, a divergence population-genetics approach was used to investigate gene flow and divergence between *D. pulex* and *D. pulicaria*.

A thorough understanding of molecular variation in natural populations is fundamental to many important evolutionary issues. Thus, the characterization of molecular variation in natural populations and the discernment of the underlying forces that shape this variation have been a central focus of evolutionary geneticists for decades (e.g., KREITMAN 1983; MORIYAMA and POWELL 1996; SCHMID *et al.* 2005). The ability to collect vast amounts of DNA sequence data has improved greatly in recent years, and this has expanded our understanding of the mechanisms that maintain genetic variability—especially in model systems. However, many animal groups with atypical life history attributes remain unstudied, and *Drosophila* is the only arthropod genus for which DNA polymorphism data are presently abundant. Undoubtedly, a more complete understanding of nucleotide variation in natural populations can be obtained by examining additional taxonomic groups.

The waterflea *Daphnia* (Cladocera, Anomopoda) has been central to thousands of studies in many diverse areas of biology (reviewed in PETERS and DE BERNARDI

1987). Recently, *Daphnia* has been recognized as a new genetic model system. As a result, the scope of *Daphnia* research has expanded to include gene expression, mapping, and comparative genomic studies (e.g., WATANABE *et al.* 2005; CRISTESCU *et al.* 2006; OMIAN *et al.* 2006; SOETAERT *et al.* 2006). Yet, comparatively little is known about daphniid population genetics at nuclear protein-coding loci. Past studies of genetic variation in daphniid populations mainly employed allozymes, microsatellites, and mitochondrial DNA (e.g., HEBERT 1974; MORT and WOLF 1986; CREASE *et al.* 1990; CREASE *et al.* 1997; WEIDER and HOBBAEK 1997; PALSSON 2000), and few population-genetics analyses of nuclear DNA sequences are published (LITTLE *et al.* 2004; ISHIDA and TAYLOR 2007). A better understanding of *Daphnia* population-genetics parameters will facilitate the interpretation of the new genomic data that are derived from this organism, especially data that are interpreted in an evolutionary context.

In this study, we treat *Daphnia pulex* as the focal species and also report on smaller surveys of five of its congeners: *D. pulicaria*, *D. obtusa*, *D. ambigua*, *D. magna*, and *D. mendotae*. The latter four species are distantly related to *D. pulex*, being separated by millions of years of divergence (COLBOURNE and HEBERT 1996). However, the relationship between *D. pulex* and *D. pulicaria* is less clear. Previous studies on the basis of allozymes and mitochondrial DNA have regarded *D. pulicaria* as a sister species to *D. pulex* (HEBERT *et al.* 1993; COLBOURNE and HEBERT 1996). However, the species barrier between

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North American *D. pulex* and *D. pulicaria* is tenuous; the two are nearly morphologically indistinguishable and hybridize readily in nature. Although *D. pulex*–*D. pulicaria* hybrids reproduce via obligate parthenogenesis in the wild (e.g., HEBERT *et al.* 1993; HEBERT and FINSTON 2001), they are capable of producing progeny via sexual reproduction in the lab (HEIER and DUDYCHA 2009). The most obvious difference between *D. pulex* and *D. pulicaria* is their habitat: *D. pulex* usually reside in ephemeral fishless ponds, whereas *D. pulicaria* primarily inhabit lakes.

Thus, *D. pulex* and *D. pulicaria* appear to be in the process of ecological speciation, with differences between pond and lake habitats being the source of divergent selection. Divergence population genetics can be used to shed light on the divergence process between these two species. This approach is based on the premise that two nascent species share polymorphisms due to their recent divergence from a common ancestor, and as time progresses, shared polymorphisms are lost, and new mutations arise in each species. When multiple loci are examined, the variance in levels of divergence among loci is used to assess gene flow (e.g., WANG *et al.* 1997; MACHADO *et al.* 2002; HEY 2006). If some loci show large divergences while others do not, it may be postulated that gene flow is still occurring at some loci. Divergence in the face of gene flow implicates selection as a driving force for the divergence (MAYNARD-SMITH 1966; ENDLER 1977; RICE and HOSTERT 1993).

Here, we investigate the evolutionary processes shaping divergence between *D. pulex* and *D. pulicaria* by examining DNA sequence polymorphism data in six nuclear protein-coding loci. In particular, we ask whether an “isolation” speciation model, in which an ancestral population splits with no subsequent gene flow between descendent populations (WAKELEY and HEY 1997), or the “isolation with migration” model (WAKELEY and HEY 1998) is a better fit to the data. In doing so, multiple demographic parameters are estimated that characterize the divergence between *D. pulex* and *D. pulicaria*. This article also quantifies specieswide levels of nuclear variation in several other *Daphnia* species, and we report for all species included in this study the following basic population-genetics information: diversity estimates, tests of neutrality,  $K_a/K_s$  ratios, and the recombination rate ( $c/u$ ).

## MATERIALS AND METHODS

**Taxonomic sampling:** Species delimitation and nomenclature within the *D. pulex* complex is problematic (MERGEAY *et al.* 2008). Thus, we present two salient issues that warrant attention for this study. The *D. pulex* species name is used to denote two different lineages, one that inhabits Europe (*sensu* LEYDIG 1860), and the other is primarily found in North America (*sensu* HEBERT 1995). In the same vein, two different lineages are named *D. pulicaria*; European *D. pulicaria* (*sensu* ALONSO 1996) are distinct from North American *D. pulicaria*

populations (*sensu* FORBES 1893). Here, we refer only to North American *D. pulex* and *D. pulicaria*, and restrict our conclusions to these lineages.

Six loci were examined in *D. pulex*, *D. pulicaria*, and *D. obtusa*. Due to the difficulty of obtaining PCR products, two loci were analyzed for three additional species that are much more distant in their taxonomic relationship to *D. pulex*: *D. ambigua*, *D. mendotae*, and *D. magna*. For *D. pulex*, two individuals per collection site were sampled (36 alleles, supporting information, Table S1). Obligate parthenogens that are known to occur in *D. pulex* were not included in this study. For all other species, one individual from each of nine collection sites was sampled (18 alleles per species, see Table S1 for exceptions). With the exception of *D. pulex*, each individual sampled within a species was from a unique collection site, making it impracticable to address questions at the level of the deme. This specieswide sampling strategy from multiple demes may increase the effective population size relative to that of a single deme (WRIGHT 1943). With multiple subdivided demes, the migration rate among demes can influence inferences regarding divergence time, relative population sizes, and phylogenetic relationships (WAKELEY 2000), and the appropriateness of our sampling approach depends on how well *Daphnia* fit the assumptions of an island model of migration with many demes. Moreover, *Daphnia* are cyclic parthenogens, and asexual periods of reproduction may influence adherence to the standard coalescent, potentially influencing our analyses. Although it is beyond the scope of the present article to deal formally with this issue, we expect that the influence of selection on linked sites will be greater in a cyclically parthenogenetic population than a purely sexual population, thereby increasing the among-individual variance in reproductive success and reducing effective population size.

Because taxonomic differentiation on the basis of morphology is notoriously difficult in *Daphnia*, we verified the taxonomic identification of all individuals with sequence data from the 12S rDNA gene (COLBOURNE and HEBERT 1996). Allozyme analysis for the lactate dehydrogenase (LDH) locus was used to differentiate between *D. pulex* and *D. pulicaria* (Table S1), following the conventional notion that *D. pulicaria* is homozygous for the F allele and *D. pulex* is homozygous for the S allele (HEBERT *et al.* 1989, 1993).

It has been proposed that certain populations of *D. pulex* endemic to Oregon are a separate species called *D. arenata* (HEBERT 1995). Phylogenies on the basis of mitochondrial DNA sequences show that *D. pulex* is paraphyletic with respect to these Oregon populations (COLBOURNE *et al.* 1998; LYNCH *et al.* 2008), but nuclear data reveal support for *D. arenata* (OMILIAN *et al.* 2008). This study includes two populations from Oregon (denoted LOG and GI); one population (LOG) consists of *D. arenata*, while the GI population is likely to be of hybrid origin (OMILIAN *et al.* 2008). For our population-genetics analyses, we found that the *D. arenata* individuals were sufficiently divergent to be analyzed separately from *D. pulex*. The GI individuals were excluded from most analyses.

**Locus information:** Loci were chosen on the basis of the presence of conserved regions for primer design in sequences present in cDNA libraries from *D. pulex* and *D. magna* (cDNA libraries provided by John Colbourne and Hajime Watanabe, see Table S2 for primer sequences). These loci appeared to be single-copy genes based on BLAST searches to the *D. pulex* genome (v.1.0), and data obtained from cloning did not reveal evidence for more than two alleles per individual at any locus. We examined sequences from the following loci: ATP synthase epsilon chain (*atp-ep*), a calcium-binding protein with an EF-hand (*cbp-EF*), cleavage stimulation factor (*cstf*), glyceraldehyde-3-phosphate dehydrogenase (*g3pdh*), a rab GTPase (*rab4*),

and a protein with translation initiation factor and subtilase activity (*tif*).

**PCR amplification, DNA sequencing, and cloning:** Specific PCR information is described in OMILLIAN *et al.* (2008). Briefly, *Taq* polymerase with proofreading capability (Clontech) was used, and PCR products were sequenced in both directions. Because *Daphnia* were from natural populations, direct sequencing of PCR products revealed many heterozygous loci, that is, two overlapping peaks were observed for at least one site of the DNA sequence electropherogram. Heterozygous sites were detected with CodonCode Aligner software v1.4.3 set at the highest sensitivity and then verified by eye. Approximately 50% of our amplicons had multiple heterozygous sites and were cloned with the Invitrogen TOPO TA kit to determine the gametic phase. The QIAprep Spin miniprep kit (QIAGEN) was used for plasmid purification, and a T7 primer was used to sequence the cloned inserts. Four to 12 cloned fragments were sequenced, and the results from cloned PCR products were compared to the direct sequences of PCR products to ensure that polymorphisms were not the result of PCR or cloning-induced errors (CRONN *et al.* 2002).

**Sequence analysis and statistical tests:** *Polymorphism patterns:* Sequences were aligned with MEGA version 3.1 (KUMAR *et al.* 2004), using the ClustalW algorithm (THOMPSON *et al.* 1994) and then manually corrected. Population-genetics parameters and tests of neutrality were calculated with DnaSP version 4.0 (ROZAS *et al.* 2003) unless noted otherwise. Two measures of nucleotide diversity were estimated:  $\pi$ , the average of pairwise differences among DNA sequences (TAJIMA 1983), obtained using the Jukes–Cantor correction (JUKE and CANTOR 1969; LYNCH and CREASE 1990); and  $\theta$ , based on the total number of segregating mutations in the sample (WATTERSON 1975; TAJIMA 1996). Under neutrality,  $\pi$  and  $\theta$  are expected to be equal and estimators of  $4N_e u$ , where  $N_e$  is the genetic effective population size and  $u$  is the mutation rate per site per generation. Both  $\pi$  and  $\theta$  were estimated for the following categories of nucleotide sites/regions: total ( $\pi_T$ ,  $\theta_T$ ), non-synonymous ( $\pi_n$ ,  $\theta_n$ ), synonymous ( $\pi_s$ ,  $\theta_s$ ), intron ( $\pi_i$ ,  $\theta_i$ ), and UTR ( $\pi_U$ ,  $\theta_U$ ).

*Recombination:* A full-likelihood coalescence-based approach in LAMARC 2.0 (KUHNER 2006) was used to estimate the recombination rate,  $r_{\text{LAMARC}} = c/\mu$ , where  $c$  is the recombination rate per site per generation and  $\mu$  is the neutral mutation rate per site per generation. LAMARC uses a finite-sites model and operates under the following assumptions: (1) recombination frequency is not affected by sequence divergence, (2) all recombination is homologous, (3) gene conversion and interference do not occur, (4) recombination events are selectively neutral, and (5) the recombination rate is constant across the region. We excluded loci with 10 or fewer variable sites because LAMARC requires sufficient numbers of variable sites to get reliable estimates of the parameters.

Because it was not possible to implement the best fitting model (determined by Modeltest v3.7; POSADA and CRANDALL 1998) for most loci in LAMARC, we used the Felsenstein '84 (F84) model with empirical base frequencies (KISHINO and HASEGAWA 1989; FELSENSTEIN 1993); for most loci, the F84 model is a closer fit than the other model offered by LAMARC and is computationally faster. Two categories of relative mutation rate were assigned, accounting for substitution rate differences between nonsynonymous sites and all other sites. Our sampling strategy included 20 initial chains of 1000 and 2 final chains of 50,000 genealogies with 1000 genealogies discarded per chain. Adaptive heating was used to improve the search of parameter space. The entire analysis was replicated three times and the results were combined (GEYER 1991).

*Tests of neutrality and  $K_a/K_s$  ratios:* Two tests of neutrality were conducted: the Hudson–Kreitman–Aguade test (HKA, HUDSON

*et al.* 1987) and Tajima's  $D$  test (TAJIMA 1989). We used a multilocus version of the HKA test (Hey's HKA program; <http://lifesci.rutgers.edu/~hey/lab>). Test statistics for both HKA and Tajima's  $D$  tests were compared with distributions generated from 10,000 coalescent simulations to determine significance. Values for  $K_a$  and  $K_s$  were calculated in MEGA using the Kumar method, which is a modification of the Pamilo–Bianchi–Li (PAMILO and BIANCHI 1993; LI 1993) and COMERON (1995) methods; this method accounts for some problematic degeneracy assignments. For both  $K_a$  and  $K_s$  we subtracted the mean within-species diversity (averaged between the two species being compared) from raw estimates of divergence to get the net divergence between species. Standard errors for  $K_a/K_s$  ratios were calculated from equation A1.19b from LYNCH and WALSH (1998).

*Phylogenetic analyses:* We used MrBayes 3.1.2 (HUELSENBECK and RONQUIST 2001) to elucidate the genealogical relationships of *D. pulex*, *D. pulicaria*, and *D. arenata* alleles with Bayesian inference. The six loci were concatenated in an alignment of 3160 bp for a total evidence analysis. The tree was rooted with *D. obtusa*, which is an uncontroversial outgroup. Large indel mutations that were likely to be the result of one insertion event, rather than several independent events, were weighted as one event (*e.g.*, a novel intron insertion in some individuals).

We conducted an analysis without partitioning and an analysis with the sequence data partitioned by one noncoding and three codon positions (first, second, and third codon positions). Model selection for each partition was made according to the Akaike information criterion in Modeltest v3.7 (POSADA and CRANDALL 1998). For MrBayes, default prior settings were used except for the ratepr parameter that was set to variable for the partitioned analyses, so that partitions could evolve at different rates. Branch lengths and topology were shared among partitions, but the substitution rate matrix, state frequency, and shape parameter of the  $\gamma$ -distribution were unlinked, allowing for separate parameter estimates. Two independent and simultaneous Markov chain Monte Carlo (MCMC) analyses of 15 heated and one cold chain were run for 6 million generations sampling from the chain every 100 generations. After determining chain convergence (average standard deviation of split frequencies <0.01), we discarded the initial 25% of trees as a burn-in. A 50% majority-rule consensus topology with posterior probability (PP) values for each node was constructed from the post-burn-in trees.

Genealogical relationships were further examined with median-joining haplotype networks using the program Network version 4.5 (BANDELT *et al.* 1999; <http://www.fluxus-engineering.com>). This method accounts for the coexistence of ancestral and descendent haplotypes, multifurcations, and reticulate relationships (POSADA and CRANDALL 2001). We used the MP post-processing option, which removes all superfluous median vectors and links that are not contained in the shortest trees of the network.

*Divergence population genetics:* A Bayesian methodology employed by the Isolation with Migration (IMa) software (HEY and NIELSEN 2007) was used to generate posterior probability distributions for six parameters relevant to the divergence between *D. pulex* and *D. pulicaria*. In turn, these parameters were used to estimate the time since divergence, migration rates, and effective population sizes for *D. pulex*, *D. pulicaria*, and their ancestral population. Assuming five generations per year in *Daphnia*, we applied the mutation rate  $2.9 \times 10^{-8}$  mutations/site/year (single-nucleotide mutation rate from HAAG-LIAUTARD *et al.* 2007). Although this mutation rate is from a distant relative (*Drosophila*), it remains the most rigorously determined arthropod nuclear rate that is available. Because there is error associated with mutation-rate estima-

TABLE 1  
Basic polymorphism statistics calculated for each species

Species	Locus	K	H	S	$\pi_T$	$\theta_T$	$\pi_s$	$\theta_s$	$\pi_n$	$\theta_n$	$\pi_i$	$\theta_i$	$\pi_U$	$\theta_U$
<i>D. arenata</i>	<i>g3pdh</i>	1	0.000	0	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	NA	NA
<i>D. pulex</i>		9	0.844	9	0.0039	0.0045	0.0111	0.0117	0.0000	0.0000	0.0133	0.0169	NA	NA
<i>D. pulicaria</i>	<i>tif</i>	3	0.569	2	0.0012	0.0011	0.0000	0.0000	0.0003	0.0009	0.0090	0.0049	NA	NA
<i>D. obtusa</i>		8	0.890	6	0.0036	0.0037	0.0090	0.0086	0.0000	0.0000	0.0141	0.0155	NA	NA
<i>D. ambigua</i>	<i>atp-ep</i>	4	0.765	6	0.0038	0.0034	0.0099	0.0107	0.0000	0.0000	0.0153	0.0102	NA	NA
<i>D. magna</i>		3	0.545	8	0.0051	0.0051	0.0112	0.0121	0.0009	0.0010	0.0178	0.0158	NA	NA
<i>D. mendotae</i>	<i>csf</i>	2	0.366	1	0.0007	0.0006	0.0034	0.0027	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	NA	NA
<i>D. arenata</i>		<i>rab4</i>	2	0.667	4	0.0055	0.0045	0.0103	0.0083	0.0000	0.0000	0.0110	0.0090	NA
<i>D. pulex</i>	<i>rab4</i>		25	0.992	48	0.0200	0.0278	0.0267	0.0628	0.0000	0.0000	0.0478	0.0581	NA
<i>D. pulicaria</i>		<i>rab4</i>	18	1.000	32	0.0193	0.0199	0.0372	0.0309	0.0000	0.0000	0.0420	0.0423	NA
<i>D. obtusa</i>	<i>rab4</i>		8	0.890	17	0.0092	0.0111	0.0164	0.0284	0.0000	0.0000	0.0213	0.0204	NA
<i>D. ambigua</i>		<i>rab4</i>	12	0.941	22	0.0133	0.0132	0.0521	0.0441	0.0000	0.0000	0.0179	0.0191	NA
<i>D. magna</i>	<i>rab4</i>		8	0.900	14	0.0092	0.0087	0.0177	0.0136	0.0000	0.0000	0.0177	0.0174	NA
<i>D. mendotae</i>		<i>rab4</i>	6	0.627	10	0.0046	0.0059	0.0045	0.0044	0.0000	0.0000	0.0145	0.0186	NA
<i>D. arenata</i>	<i>rab4</i>		1	0.000	0	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000
<i>D. pulex</i>		<i>rab4</i>	16	0.942	24	0.0121	0.0154	0.0129	0.0390	0.0000	0.0000	0.0242	0.0217	0.0016
<i>D. pulicaria</i>	<i>rab4</i>		11	0.935	20	0.0164	0.0138	0.0206	0.0221	0.0016	0.0023	0.0335	0.0271	0.0000
<i>D. obtusa</i>		<i>rab4</i>	9	0.923	14	0.0083	0.0100	0.0000	0.0000	0.0011	0.0025	0.0189	0.0201	0.0058
<i>D. arenata</i>	<i>rab4</i>		3	0.833	2	0.0023	0.0028	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0039	0.0050	0.0080
<i>D. pulex</i>		<i>rab4</i>	16	0.942	22	0.0118	0.0111	0.0118	0.0108	0.0000	0.0000	0.0407	0.0336	0.0051
<i>D. pulicaria</i>	<i>rab4</i>		10	0.876	23	0.0121	0.0115	0.0240	0.0204	0.0000	0.0000	0.0353	0.0320	0.0046
<i>D. obtusa</i>		<i>rab4</i>	11	0.967	13	0.0062	0.0071	0.0215	0.0220	0.0000	0.0000	0.0138	0.0161	0.0023
<i>D. arenata</i>	<i>rab4</i>		1	0.000	0	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000
<i>D. pulex</i>		<i>rab4</i>	8	0.794	8	0.0026	0.0034	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0196	0.0235	0.0009
<i>D. pulicaria</i>	<i>rab4</i>		6	0.562	6	0.0019	0.0033	0.0021	0.0054	0.0000	0.0000	0.0142	0.0217	0.0004
<i>D. obtusa</i>		<i>rab4</i>	5	0.670	4	0.0015	0.0021	0.0027	0.0058	0.0000	0.0000	0.0120	0.0141	0.0000
<i>D. arenata</i>	<i>rab4</i>		1	0.000	0	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000
<i>D. pulex</i>		<i>rab4</i>	14	0.944	29	0.0209	0.0154	0.0503	0.0300	0.0008	0.0030	0.0361	0.0246	0.0694
<i>D. pulicaria</i>	<i>rab4</i>		8	0.830	11	0.0061	0.0066	0.0113	0.0113	0.0000	0.0000	0.0135	0.0129	0.0181
<i>D. obtusa</i>		<i>rab4</i>	4	0.455	6	0.0024	0.0041	0.0067	0.0130	0.0000	0.0000	0.0048	0.0073	0.0000

S, segregating sites; K, haplotypes; H, haplotype diversity, defined as the probability that two alleles randomly chosen from the population are different.  $\pi$  was calculated using the Jukes-Cantor correction (JUKES and CANTOR 1969, LYNCH and CREASE 1990);  $\theta$  was calculated using the total number of mutations rather than the number of segregating sites (TAJIMA 1996).  $\pi$  and  $\theta$  were estimated for the following categories of nucleotide sites/regions: total ( $\pi_T, \theta_T$ ), nonsynonymous ( $\pi_s, \theta_s$ ), synonymous ( $\pi_n, \theta_n$ ), intron ( $\pi_i, \theta_i$ ), UTR ( $\pi_U, \theta_U$ ). For loci with two introns, values for  $\pi_i$  and  $\theta_i$  are averages.

tion (outlined in HAAG-LIAUTARD *et al.* 2007) and the application of a mutation rate from a distant relative, we also present the scaled IMA parameters.

Once appropriate prior distributions were identified (WON and HEY 2005), we used multiple runs with identical conditions except the random number seed to determine convergence. We applied the HKY mutation model (HASEGAWA *et al.* 1985) to accommodate multiple substitutions at a single nucleotide site. Five chains with heating were used for each run. Runs of 60,000,000 steps and a burn-in period of 100,000 steps provided for effective sample sizes of at least 95.

The isolation with migration methodology is contingent upon several assumptions. First, it is assumed that variation within the dataset is selectively neutral. Second, the sampled populations, *D. pulex* and *D. pulicaria*, are assumed to be more closely related to each other than other populations, and gene flow with unsampled populations is assumed to be nonexistent. Lastly, there should be no recombination within loci and free recombination between loci (HEY and NIELSEN 2004). The assumption of selective neutrality is likely to hold as neutrality tests indicated that sequences for *D. pulex* and *D. pulicaria* conform to neutral model expectations (see RESULTS). Phylogenetic analyses from previous studies reveal mixed results regarding the closest relative to *D. pulex*; studies on the basis of mitochondrial DNA usually reconstruct *D. arenata* as the closest relative to *D. pulex* (COLBOURNE *et al.* 1998; MERGEAY *et al.* 2008), whereas nuclear DNA reveals that *D. pulex* and *D. pulicaria* are sister groups (OMILIAN *et al.* 2008; this study). Thus, we conducted three separate IMA analyses in which the following were compared: (1) *D. pulex* and *D. pulicaria*, (2) *D. pulex* and *D. arenata*, and (3) *D. arenata* and *D. pulicaria*. Because the assumption of no intralocus recombination is violated in our data set, we also assessed migration with a full-likelihood coalescence-based approach in LAMARC that accounts for recombination.

## RESULTS

Altogether, we sequenced >280 kb representing six nuclear protein-coding loci. The aligned length for the loci ranged from 443 to 615 bp with a mean length of 519 bp. All amplified fragments contained at least 1 intron, for a total of 10 introns, with the exception of two populations (LOG and GI, both from Oregon), which were polymorphic for an intron insertion; these populations had 11 introns total. Average intron length per species ranged in size from 57 bp (*D. ambigua*) to 162 bp (*D. pulicaria*) with an average length of 82.7 bp for the *Daphnia* genus (see Table S3). Four loci contained UTR sequence (either 5' or 3') in the amplicon; in all four cases we did not get sequence data for the complete UTR.

**Polymorphism patterns, tests of neutrality, and  $K_a/K_s$  ratios:** Levels of DNA polymorphism varied in *Daphnia* according to functional site/region, locus, and species (Table 1). Nucleotide diversity was far lower for nonsynonymous than synonymous and intron sites ( $P \leq 0.0001$ , Figure 1). Diversity in UTRs was threefold lower than at synonymous sites or introns ( $P \leq 0.002$ , Figure 1). Synonymous-site diversity averaged across all loci was highest in *D. ambigua* ( $\pi_s = 0.0310$ ), lowest in *D. arenata* ( $\pi_s = 0.0017$ ), and the focal species *D. pulex* and *D.*

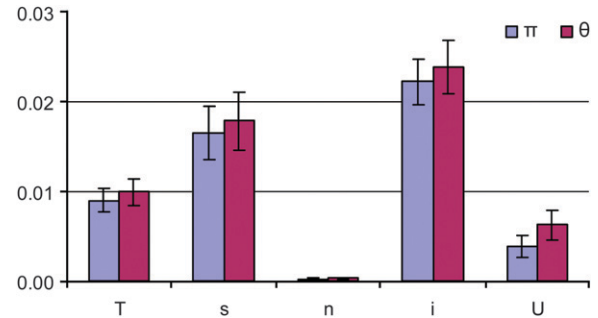


FIGURE 1.—Estimates of  $\pi$  and  $\theta$  for different functional regions averaged across all loci examined in the *Daphnia* genus. Error bars are standard errors of the mean of all loci. The following categories of nucleotide sites were examined: total (T), synonymous (s), nonsynonymous (n), intron (i), and UTR (U).

*pulicaria* were intermediate with values of 0.0188 and 0.0159, respectively (Table 2). Relative to the mutation rate, the overall recombination rate per site per generation ( $c/\mu$ ) ranged from 0.2383 to 0.7611 for *Daphnia* species and averaged 0.5255 for the *Daphnia* genus (Table 3).

We did not observe a significant departure from neutrality for any locus with the HKA test (Table 4). A significant negative mean Tajima's  $D$  was observed only for *D. obtusa* (Table 5). Synonymous ( $K_s$ ) and nonsynonymous ( $K_a$ ) divergences among *D. pulex* and its congeners are shown in Table 6;  $K_s$  values were higher than  $K_a$  values for all loci, and  $K_a/K_s$  ratios ranged from  $-0.0120$  to  $0.0501$ . *D. pulex* and *D. pulicaria* were not significantly different at silent or replacement sites (Table 6).

**Evolutionary relationships between *D. pulex* and *D. pulicaria*:** In MrBayes, the lowest average standard deviation of split frequencies was obtained with the unpartitioned data set that employed the GTR + I +  $\Gamma$  model of nucleotide evolution; the 50% majority-rule consensus Bayesian topology is presented from this analysis (Figure 2). The consensus tree revealed that *D. pulex* consists of two major monophyletic groups that are paraphyletic with respect to *D. pulicaria*. We find that *D. pulicaria* is a strongly supported monophyletic group (PP = 0.99), and *D. pulex* and *D. pulicaria* are more closely related to each other than either is to *D. arenata*, which is also a distinct monophyletic group (PP = 1). However, support was low for the sister relationship of *D. pulex* and *D. pulicaria* to the exclusion of *D. arenata* (PP = 0.65). The GI population is unique in that one of the sampled individuals groups with *D. pulicaria* and the other groups with *D. pulex*.

Because a bifurcating genealogy neglects recombination within a species, we also constructed a network. Network results were consistent with those obtained from the Bayesian analysis (Figure S1).

**Divergence population genetics:** For *D. pulex* and *D. pulicaria*, multiple IMA runs with identical conditions

TABLE 2

Estimates of nucleotide diversity averaged across all loci for each species of *Daphnia* included in this study

	$\pi_T$	$\theta_T$	$\pi_s$	$\theta_s$	$\pi_n$	$\theta_n$	$\pi_i$	$\theta_i$	$\pi_U$	$\theta_U$
<i>D. arenata</i>	0.0013	0.0012	0.0017	0.0014	0.0000	0.0000	0.0025	0.0023	0.0020	0.0022
<i>D. pulex</i>	0.0119	0.0129	0.0188	0.0257	0.0001	0.0005	0.0303	0.0297	0.0193	0.0187
<i>D. pulicaria</i>	0.0095	0.0094	0.0159	0.0150	0.0003	0.0005	0.0246	0.0235	0.0058	0.0125
<i>D. obtusa</i>	0.0052	0.0064	0.0094	0.0130	0.0002	0.0004	0.0142	0.0156	0.0020	0.0030
<i>D. ambigua</i>	0.0086	0.0083	0.0310	0.0274	0.0000	0.0000	0.0166	0.0147	NA	NA
<i>D. magna</i>	0.0072	0.0069	0.0145	0.0129	0.0005	0.0005	0.0178	0.0166	NA	NA
<i>D. mendotae</i>	0.0027	0.0033	0.0040	0.0036	0.0000	0.0000	0.0073	0.0093	NA	NA

Details regarding  $\pi$  and  $\theta$  are described in Table 1. Six loci were examined for *D. arenata*, *D. pulex*, *D. pulicaria*, and *D. obtusa*, and two loci were examined for the remaining species.

except the starting seed revealed clear marginal posterior probability distributions of the parameters, with unimodal peaks for all curves; results are presented from a single representative run (Figure 3, Table 7). For gene flow from *D. pulicaria* to *D. pulex*, the highest probability of the posterior distribution is near zero, and the curve drops to zero at higher migration rates (Figure 3). For gene flow from *D. pulex* to *D. pulicaria*, a model of no gene flow can be rejected, but migration is low (Figure 3, Table 7). *D. pulex* and *D. pulicaria* are

TABLE 3

Full-likelihood estimates of the relative recombination rate ( $r_{\text{LAMARC}} = c/\mu$ , where  $c$  is the recombination rate per site per generation and  $\mu$  is the neutral mutation rate per site per generation) for *Daphnia* species

	Locus	$r_{\text{LAMARC}}$	95% support intervals
<i>D. pulex</i> <sup>a</sup>	Overall	0.5876	0.4635, 0.7355
	<i>atp-ep</i>	0.6073	0.1620, 1.3777
	<i>cbp-EF</i>	1.8671	0.7719, 2.5429
	<i>rab4</i>	0.2511	0.0356, 0.6833
	<i>tif</i>	1.1069	0.4869, 1.7404
<i>D. pulicaria</i> <sup>a</sup>	Overall	0.7476	0.3933, 1.0892
	<i>atp-ep</i>	0.5929	0.1831, 1.4095
	<i>cbp-EF</i>	0.2854	0.0408, 0.9592
	<i>rab4</i>	0.2700	$1 \times 10^{-9}$ , 1.4572
	<i>tif</i>	0.9507	0.4631, 1.8675
<i>D. obtusa</i> <sup>b</sup>	Overall	0.2383	0.0892, 0.5367
	<i>atp-ep</i>	$8 \times 10^{-6}$	$1 \times 10^{-11}$ , 0.1782
	<i>cbp-EF</i>	1.2634	0.3737, 2.9458
	<i>tif</i>	0.1623	$1 \times 10^{-9}$ , 0.8932
<i>D. ambigua</i> <sup>c</sup>	<i>tif</i>	0.2929	0.0483, 0.8701
	<i>tif</i>	0.7611	0.1793, 2.0246

Ninety-five percent support intervals are shown for  $r_{\text{LAMARC}}$ .  $r_{\text{LAMARC}}$  could not be estimated for *D. arenata* or *D. mendotae* because all loci lacked sufficient numbers of variable sites.

The following loci were not included for LAMARC analyses because they did not have >10 variable sites:

<sup>a</sup> *csf* and *g3pdh*<sup>b</sup> *csf*, *g3pdh*, and *rab4*<sup>c</sup> *g3pdh*.

estimated to have diverged ~82,000 years ago (95% HPD interval: 58,000–126,000). Population size for *D. pulex* is significantly larger than the ancestral population, suggesting population expansion; this is consistent with the negative mean value for Tajima's  $D$  observed in this species (Tables 5 and 7).

Migration analyses in LAMARC, which accounts for recombination within nuclear loci, determined that migration estimates were roughly an order of magnitude higher than those obtained with IMA (Table 7). The effective number of gene migrants ( $2N_e m$ ) from *D. pulicaria* to *D. pulex*, per generation was 1.71 (95% support interval: 1.34–2.14), and for *D. pulex* to *D. pulicaria*, 1.67 (95% support interval: 1.28–2.10).

Despite several varied attempts, IMA runs for *D. pulex* and *D. arenata*, and *D. pulicaria* and *D. arenata*, did not have a narrow unimodal peak for the divergence-time parameter. Instead, the highest likelihood appears to have an infinitely wide range of parameter values. Thus, all parameter estimates from these runs may be invalid and are not presented. This is likely due to the low levels of variation observed in the *D. arenata* sequences.

TABLE 4  
HKA test results

	$\chi^2$	$P$	Proportion of simulations with $\chi^2$ values greater than critical value (0.05)
<i>D. pulex</i> – <i>D. arenata</i>	8.011	0.628	0.0007
<i>D. pulex</i> – <i>D. pulicaria</i>	7.635	0.664	0.0000
<i>D. pulex</i> – <i>D. obtusa</i>	6.493	0.772	0.0003
<i>D. pulex</i> – <i>D. ambigua</i>	1.722	0.423	0.0020
<i>D. pulex</i> – <i>D. magna</i>	3.651	0.161	0.0020
<i>D. pulex</i> – <i>D. mendotae</i>	1.561	0.458	0.0014

$P$ , probability from  $\chi^2$  distribution. Significance was estimated with 10,000 coalescent simulations and conventional  $\chi^2$  approximation. *D. arenata*, *D. pulex*, *D. pulicaria*, and *D. obtusa* had 10 degrees of freedom. *D. ambigua*, *D. magna*, and *D. mendotae* had 2 degrees of freedom.

**TABLE 5**  
Tajima's  $D$  values for comparisons of  $\pi$  and  $\theta$

	Obs. mean $D$	Sim. mean $D$	$D_{\text{sim}} < D_{\text{obs}}$ (%) <sup>a</sup>
<i>D. arenata</i>	0.202	-0.020	72
<i>D. pulex</i>	-0.286	-0.074	29
<i>D. pulicaria</i>	-0.145	-0.071	43
<i>D. obtusa</i>	-0.765	-0.075	3*
<i>D. ambigua</i>	0.141	-0.083	64
<i>D. magna</i>	0.059	-0.071	58
<i>D. mendotae</i>	-0.172	-0.066	45

Significance was based on 10,000 coalescent simulations. Values reported for *D. arenata*, *D. pulex*, *D. pulicaria*, and *D. obtusa* are based on six loci. Values reported for *D. ambigua*, *D. magna*, and *D. mendotae* are based on two loci. \*Significant.  
<sup>a</sup>Percentage of 10,000 independent standard coalescent simulations that generated a more extreme mean Tajima's  $D$ .

## DISCUSSION

**Patterns of nucleotide polymorphism:** Averaged across species, daphniid nucleotide diversity ( $\pi_s = 0.0136$ ,  $\theta_s = 0.0141$ ) is lower than the average of other invertebrates ( $\pi_s = 0.0265$ , LYNCH 2006). In reference to two prominent arthropod species, synonymous diversity in Daphnia is similar to *Drosophila melanogaster* ( $\pi_s = 0.0158$ , ANDOLFATTO 2001) and lower than *Anopheles gambiae* ( $\pi_s = 0.0235$ , BESANSKY *et al.* 2003; MUKABAYIRE *et al.* 2001). In Daphnia, there is considerable heterogeneity in polymorphism levels for the various sites/regions and loci spanning a range from 0.0000 to 0.0694 (Table 1, Figure 1). Levels of diversity for nonsynonymous polymorphisms are far lower than for synonymous polymorphisms, reflecting purifying selection against amino acid substitutions. Mean  $\pi_i$  and  $\pi_s$  are significantly higher than  $\pi_U$  ( $P < 0.0001$  and  $P = 0.002$ , respectively), suggesting that UTRs are selectively constrained in Daphnia. These results indicate that synonymous, intron, and UTR sites should not be grouped together under the umbrella of silent sites in Daphnia and are consistent with studies that document

lower levels of polymorphism in UTR regions than synonymous sites (*e.g.*, ANDOLFATTO 2005).

Levels of polymorphism were heterogeneous among the different species examined (Tables 1 and 2). Nucleotide diversity is notably low for *D. mendotae* and *D. arenata*, being nearly an order of magnitude lower than the other examined species for some functional sites/regions. These low diversity estimates may be due to sampling effects as only two loci were examined for *D. mendotae* and only four individuals were available for *D. arenata*. Alternatively, low estimates of nucleotide diversity could be indicative of small effective population size or lower mutation rates in these species (reviewed in WRIGHT and GAUT 2005).

The population-genetic consequences of cyclical parthenogenesis are largely unexplored empirically. Daphnia are cyclical parthenogens that experience phases of clonal reproduction, so it is of interest if they exhibit low rates of recombination. Low recombination may cause greater vulnerability to hitchhiking effects as recombination separates independently arising mutations. The scaled recombination rate,  $c/\mu$ , can be used to address this question, as recombinational activity across groups can be compared (*e.g.*, HUDSON 1987; HADDRILL *et al.* 2005). In general,  $c/\mu$  estimates are similar among Daphnia species, ranging from 0.2383 to 0.7611 (Table 3). These estimates are likely to be a lower bound on the recombination rate in Daphnia given that gene conversion may be an important factor for closely linked sites (ANDOLFATTO and NORDBORG 1998), and LAMARC does not account for gene conversion. Nevertheless, despite having phases of clonal reproduction, Daphnia appear to have recombination rates that are similar to other organisms for which estimates are available (LYNCH 2007), save *Drosophila*, which have higher relative recombination rates than most animals (HADDRILL *et al.* 2005; LYNCH 2007).

A longstanding concern of population geneticists is quantifying how natural selection influences levels of genetic variation. The evaluation of intraspecific polymorphism and interspecific divergence can elucidate

**TABLE 6**  
Average nucleotide divergence for protein-coding genes between *D. pulex* and five of its congeners

	$K_s$	(SE)	$K_a$	(SE)	$K_a/K_s$	(SE)
<i>D. arenata</i>	0.00998	0.00345	0.00002	0.00002	0.0010	0.0016
<i>D. pulicaria</i>	0.00342	0.00380	0.00003	0.00002	-0.0120	0.0080
<i>D. obtusa</i>	0.06338	0.02085	0.00141	0.00138	0.0163	0.0222
<i>D. ambigua</i>	0.12205	0.00825	0.00570	0.00570	0.0501	0.0476
<i>D. magna</i>	0.39928	0.05362	0.01093	0.01093	0.0316	0.0285
<i>D. mendotae</i>	0.21803	0.03903	0.00295	0.00295	0.0115	0.0131

$K_a$ , number of nonsynonymous substitutions per nonsynonymous site;  $K_s$ , number of synonymous substitutions per synonymous site. For both  $K_a$  and  $K_s$ , mean within-species diversity (averaged between the two species being compared) was subtracted from raw estimates of divergence to get the net divergence between species.



FIGURE 2.—The 50% majority-rule consensus Bayesian genealogy from the total evidence analysis of six nuclear protein-coding loci (3160 bp) in *Daphnia pulex* (solid), *D. pulicaria* (open), and *D. arenata* (shaded). Numbers at nodes are posterior probabilities (PP) and are not shown if they are <0.85. The tree is rooted with the outgroup species, *D. obtusa* (hatched). Labels consist of the population name, followed by the individual number (if more than one individual was sampled), and the allele number (either 1 or 2). *D. pulex* is paraphyletic with respect to *D. pulicaria*, which is a monophyletic group (PP = 0.99). *D. arenata* is also monophyletic (PP = 1.0) and is a sister group to *D. pulex* + *D. pulicaria*; support for this branch is low (PP = 0.65).



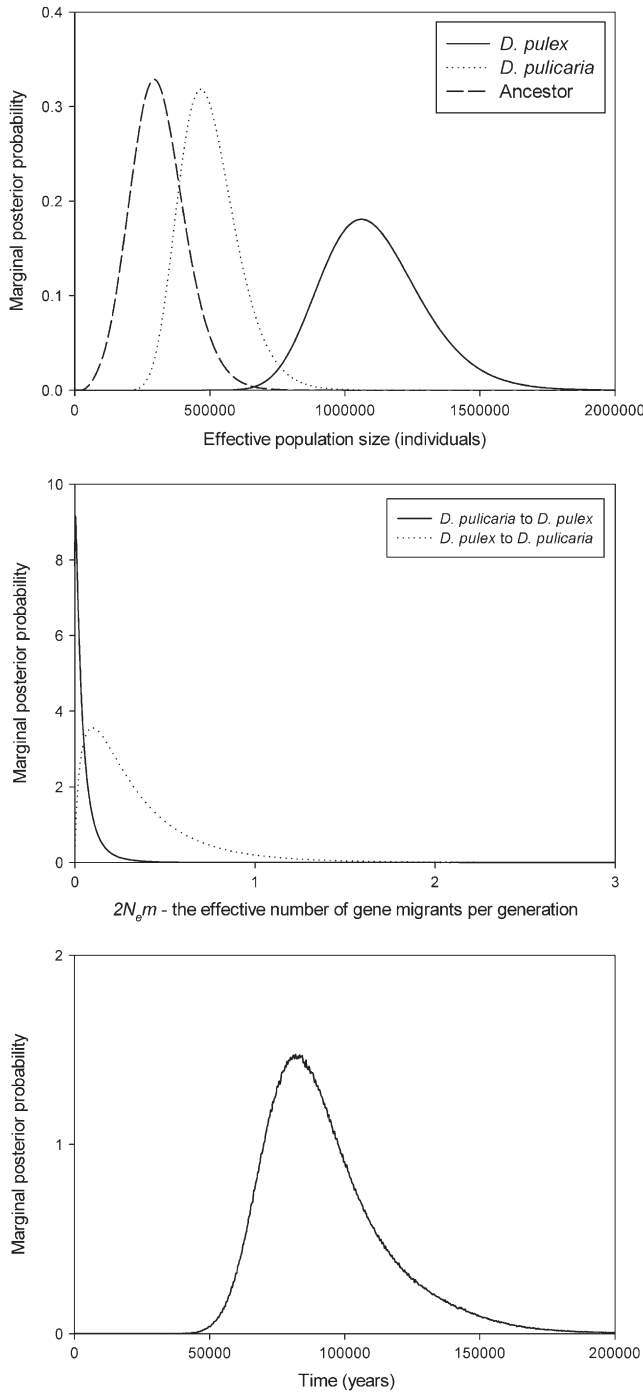


FIGURE 3.—The marginal posterior probability distributions for effective population size, effective migration rate, and divergence time for *D. pulex* and *D. pulicaria*. Assuming five generations per year in *Daphnia*, model parameters were converted to demographic quantities using the mutation rate estimate  $2.9 \times 10^{-8}$  mutations/site/year [rate from HAAG-LAUTARD *et al.* (2007), assuming five generations per year in *Daphnia*].

whether neutral, selective, and/or demographic forces are acting—especially when multiple loci are examined. Neutrality tests (HKA and Tajima's  $D$ ) suggest that all species of *Daphnia* examined in this study conform to

neutral model expectations, with the exception of *D. obtusa*, which had a significantly negative mean value for Tajima's  $D$  (Tables 4 and 5). The ratios of the number of nonsynonymous substitutions per nonsynonymous site ( $K_a$ ) to the number of synonymous substitutions per synonymous site ( $K_s$ ) were low for all *Daphnia* species, suggesting strong purifying selection (Table 6). This observation is potentially a consequence of our focus on functionally conserved genes, to maximize PCR success across a wide range of *Daphnia* species.

**Species barrier between *D. pulex* and *D. pulicaria*:** The observation of virtually no divergence at synonymous sites (average  $K_s = 0.0034$ , standard error = 0.0038) between *D. pulex* and *D. pulicaria* suggests that the species status assigned to *D. pulicaria* may be inappropriate. Furthermore, previous work has shown that *D. pulicaria* is often paraphyletic with respect to *D. pulex* (e.g., CREASE *et al.* 1989; LEHMAN *et al.* 1995; CREASE *et al.* 1997; DUDYCHA 2004). Yet, for some loci/types of data, *D. pulicaria* does have a unique genotypic constellation to the exclusion of *D. pulex* (e.g., CREASE *et al.* 1997; COLBOURNE *et al.* 1998; ČERNÝ and HEBERT 1999). Our total evidence analysis of six nuclear protein-coding loci reveals that *D. pulicaria* and *D. arenata* are monophyletic groups (PP = 0.99, PP = 1, respectively; Figure 2), supporting the notion that *D. pulex*, *D. pulicaria*, and *D. arenata* are distinct species. Many studies report improved resolution and greater node support when data from multiple loci are combined (e.g., REMSEN and DESALLE 1998), perhaps explaining the paraphyly for *D. pulex* and *D. pulicaria* in earlier studies that is not observed here.

We used a divergence population-genetics approach to address whether a simple isolation model is appropriate for *D. pulex* and *D. pulicaria*. Both IMA and LAMARC analyses reveal that gene flow does occur between *D. pulex* and *D. pulicaria*, thereby ruling out a strict isolation speciation model. One migrant gene copy per generation, on average, may prevent substantial divergence at a locus (WRIGHT 1931). Although the point estimates obtained with IMA are clearly below this, the upper bound of the 90% highest posterior density intervals exceed one, as do the migration estimates obtained with LAMARC. Despite the fact that LAMARC and IMA differ in their underlying assumptions, the confidence intervals for the estimates obtained with the different programs do overlap, with estimates obtained in LAMARC being higher (Table 7).

In contrast to IMA, LAMARC assumes migration equilibrium and accounts for intralocus recombination. Loci with unacknowledged recombination are expected to have longer gene trees, on average, than nonrecombining loci (WON and HEY 2005). Here, inferred migration events are spread over a longer time period, perhaps explaining the lower gene flow estimates obtained with the IMA program. Other studies that have used IMA with the largest nonrecombining block of

**TABLE 7**  
**Scaled model parameters and demographic quantities from IMA analyses of nuclear protein-coding loci in *D. pulex* and *D. pulicaria***

Scaled model parameter	High point	Lower bound	Upper bound
$\theta_{pulex}$	12.94	9.76	17.12
$\theta_{pulicaria}$	5.71	3.88	8.21
$\theta_{\text{ancestor}}$	3.61	1.72	5.84
$t$	1.25	0.89	1.92
$m_1$ ( <i>D. pulicaria</i> → <i>D. pulex</i> )	0.03	0.01	0.16
$m_2$ ( <i>D. pulex</i> → <i>D. pulicaria</i> )	0.17	0.04	0.41
Demographic quantity			
$N_e$ , effective population size for <i>D. pulex</i>	1,100,000	801,000	1,404,000
$N_e$ , effective population size for <i>D. pulicaria</i>	468,000	318,000	673,000
$N_e$ , common ancestor	296,000	141,000	479,000
Divergence time (years)	82,000	58,000	126,000
$2N_e m$ , the effective number of gene migrants from <i>D. pulicaria</i> to <i>D. pulex</i> per generation	0.16	0.02	1.37
	1.71*	1.34*	2.14*
$2N_e m$ , the effective number of gene migrants from <i>D. pulex</i> to <i>D. pulicaria</i> per generation	0.47	0.08	1.68
	1.67*	1.28*	2.10*

Estimates of migration obtained with LAMARC are also shown (indicated with asterisks). Lower and upper bounds are the estimated 90% highest posterior density, except for the LAMARC estimates, in which they represent 95% support intervals. Demographic quantity estimates were obtained using the mutation rate estimate of  $2.9 \times 10^{-8}$  mutations/site/year [rate from HAAG-LIAUTARD *et al.* (2007), assuming five generations per year in *Daphnia*].

sequence data *vs.* the full locus (with recombination) have revealed that migration estimates are not significantly affected (although in one case they did decrease); however, estimates of population size are substantially inflated when ignoring recombination (BULL *et al.* 2006; STRASBURG and RIESEBERG 2008). Thus, estimates of population size for *D. pulex* and *D. pulicaria* that were obtained in IMA should be regarded as an upper bound.

Numerous studies have outlined physiological and life history differences between North American *D. pulex* and *D. pulicaria* (*e.g.*, BRANDLOVA *et al.* 1972; TESSIER and CONSOLATTI 1991; DUDYCHA 2004; WEIDER *et al.* 2004). In some parts of their distribution, *D. pulex* and *D. pulicaria* switch to sexual reproduction in response to different photoperiodic cues, resulting in a prereproductive isolating barrier (DENG 1997), and they usually occupy different but geographically overlapping habitats. *D. pulex* typically resides in vernal ponds with leaf litter whereas *D. pulicaria* occupies lakes that contain fish (*e.g.*, HEBERT *et al.* 1993; HEBERT 1995; HEBERT and FINSTON 2001). Despite the above observations, hybrids between *D. pulex* and *D. pulicaria* do commonly occur, but are found to be obligately asexual in nature (*e.g.*, HEBERT and CREASE 1983; HEBERT *et al.* 1993; HEBERT and FINSTON 2001). Laboratory studies, however, have revealed that these hybrids are sexual and easily backcrossed (HEIER and DUDYCHA 2009). Our divergence population genetics approach, on the basis of nuclear loci, is consistent with the above observations—*D. pulex* and *D. pulicaria* have undergone genetic differentiation as a result of different ecological pressures, but still exchange genes at a level that may be high enough to prevent reproductive isolation.

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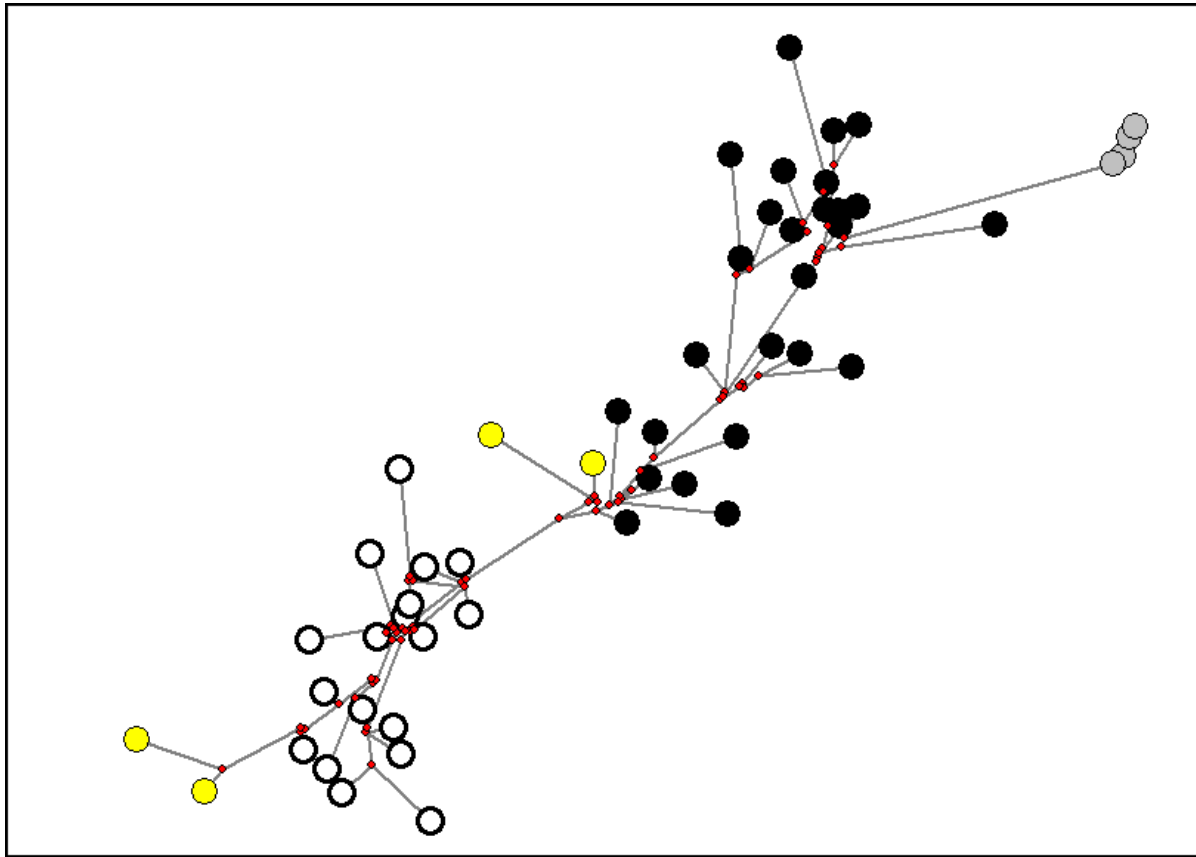


FIGURE S1.—Total evidence median-joining network for *D. pulex*, *D. pulicaria*, and *D. arenata* alleles. Network is based on six nuclear protein-coding loci (3160 base pairs). Each allele is represented by a circle: *D. pulex* – black, *D. pulicaria* – white, *D. arenata* – gray. Yellow circles represent individuals sampled from the GI collection site in Oregon. Median vectors, which represent either extant unsampled sequences or extinct ancestral sequences, are indicated by small red circles.

**TABLE S1****Summary of populations included in this study and collection site information**

Species	Individual	Collection site	LDH genotype	
<i>Subgenus Daphnia</i>				
<i>D. pulex</i>	WEST 2	Illinois, USA	SS	
	WEST 5	Illinois, USA	SS	
	SAL 5	Indiana, USA	SS	
	SAL 7	Indiana, USA	SS	
	PA 27	Indiana, USA	SS	
	PA 35	Indiana, USA	SS	
	MAR 6	Michigan, USA	SS	
	MAR 8	Michigan, USA	SS	
	NDB 3	Michigan, USA	SS	
	NDB 4	Michigan, USA	SS	
	MPP 1	Minnesota, USA	SS	
	MPP 3	Minnesota, USA	SS	
	EB 1	Minnesota, USA	SS	
	EB 4	Minnesota, USA	SS	
	<i>D. arenata</i>	LOG 13	Oregon, USA	SS
	<i>D. arenata</i>	LOG 50	Oregon, USA	SS
Hybrid between <i>D. pulex</i> and <i>D. pulicaria</i> ?	GI 2	Oregon, USA	SS	
Hybrid between <i>D. pulex</i> and <i>D. pulicaria</i> ?	GI 3	Oregon, USA	SS	
<i>D. pulicaria</i>	DAN 15	Idaho, USA	FF	
	MOOSE 1	Maine, USA	FF	
	BAKER	Michigan, USA	FF	
	LL	Michigan, USA	FF	
	MINER 2	Ontario, CAN	FF	
	LOST CR	Oregon, USA	FF	
	DUTCH	Pennsylvania, USA	FF	
	WASH 1	Washington, USA	FF	
	WIND 2	Wisconsin, USA	FF	
	<i>D. obtusa</i>	TRE	Illinois, USA	
		TH 1	Illinois, USA	
ACP		Illinois, USA		
BT 2		Indiana, USA		
BFP 2		Indiana, USA		
BDW 1		Missouri, USA		
COY 2		Oklahoma, USA		

<i>D. ambigua</i>	LEM	Indiana, USA
	BRACK	Indiana, USA
	DUMP	Indiana, USA
	SHILOB	Indiana, USA
	TAX 1	Indiana, USA
	YELL	Indiana, USA
	MOOSE 1	Maine, USA
	CRLK	Michigan, USA
	SCLK 1	Wisconsin, USA
<i>Subgenus Ctenodaphnia</i>		
<i>D. magna</i>	M5	Belgium
	SP 123	Finland
	KLEINE	Germany
	KLON 84	Germany
	MU 11	Germany
	HO III	Hungary
	ISR	Israel
	SD6	South Dakota, USA
<i>Subgenus Hyalodaphnia</i>		
<i>D. mendotae</i>	EAGLE	Maine, USA
	GOG 95	Michigan, USA
	BAKER	New Brunswick, Canada
	POUL 1	Quebec, Canada
	FOUR 3	Quebec, Canada
	ESL 14	South Dakota, USA
	MLT 9	Texas, USA
	SL 3	Wisconsin, USA
	WL 2	Wisconsin, USA

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Allozyme variation at the lactate dehydrogenase (LDH) locus is commonly used to differentiate between *D. pulex* and *D. pulicaria*; the former species is homozygous for the S allele while the latter is homozygous for the F allele (Hebert et al. 1989, Hebert et al. 1993).



**TABLE S2****Primer information for loci amplified in this study**

Locus	Forward Primer 5'- 3'	Reverse Primer 5'- 3'
<i>atp-ep</i>	TCAAGTACAAAACCTCCTTTCAA	CCACAATAGGTGTATTCTTGGAAC
<i>cbp-EF</i>	GCCCGTTACCAAAACACCT	CATTTGAAGAACACCCAGCA
<i>csf</i>	TTGAAGTCTTAAAATCCCAATCAA	GGTATGGAACCCGAACAAGA
<i>g3pdh</i>	GGTATTAACGGATTCGGTCGT	CCTTCAATGATACCAAAGTTGTCA
<i>rab4</i>	CGTTTCGAATTGGCTTACTGA	CATGGTTATCTGTCTACGTCTTGAA
<i>tif</i>	AGAAATTCAACATGCCCAAGA	CGTCGACGAAGTTGACAGTATC

The following loci were used: ATP synthase epsilon chain (*atp-ep*), a calcium-binding protein with an EF-hand (*cbp-EF*), cleavage stimulation factor (*csf*), glyceraldehyde-3-phosphate dehydrogenase (*g3pdh*), a rab GTPase (*rab4*), and a protein with translation initiation factor activity and subtilase activity (*tif*).

**TABLE S3****Locus information, including number of alleles sampled, and length of exons (concatenated), introns, and****UTRs**

Species	Locus	Alleles	Total (bp)	Coding exons (bp)	Intron 1 (bp)	Intron 2 (bp)	UTR (bp)
<i>D. arenata</i>	<i>g3pdh</i>	4	514	452	62	NA	NA
<i>D. pulex</i>		28	513	452	61	NA	NA
<i>D. pulicaria</i>		18	511.9	452	59.9	NA	NA
<i>D. obtusa</i>		14	513	452	61	NA	NA
<i>D. ambigua</i>		18	509	452	57	NA	NA
<i>D. magna</i>		12	515.2	452	63.2	NA	NA
<i>D. mendotae</i>		18	511	452	59	NA	NA
<i>D. arenata</i>	<i>tif</i>	4	485	305	114	66	NA
<i>D. pulex</i>		28	485.1	305	113	67.1	NA
<i>D. pulicaria</i>		18	484.7	305	113.1	66.6	NA
<i>D. obtusa</i>		14	483	305	112	66	NA
<i>D. ambigua</i>		18	484.2	305	113	66.2	NA
<i>D. magna</i>		16	486	305	115	66	NA
<i>D. mendotae</i>		18	494	305	122	67	NA
<i>D. arenata</i>	<i>atp-ep</i>	4	447	171	160	70	46
<i>D. pulex</i>		28	448.3	171	161.3	70	46
<i>D. pulicaria</i>		18	447.6	171	162	68.7	45.9
<i>D. obtusa</i>		14	443.2	171	158.8	67.4	46
<i>D. arenata</i>	<i>cbp-EF</i>	4	583	346	109	62	63
<i>D. pulex</i>		28	585.9	346	107	65.9	64
<i>D. pulicaria</i>		18	584.9	346	107	67.9	64
<i>D. obtusa</i>		14	575.1	346	106	60.1	63
<i>D. arenata</i>	<i>cstf</i>	4	612	228	67	NA	317
<i>D. pulex</i>		26	612.9	228	67.9	NA	317
<i>D. pulicaria</i>		18	612	228	67	NA	317
<i>D. obtusa</i>		14	615	228	67	NA	320
<i>D. arenata</i> *	<i>rab4</i>	4	556	336	64	68	13
<i>D. pulex</i>		28	489.5	336	72	68.5	13
<i>D. pulicaria</i>		18	486.6	336	68	69.6	13

<i>D. obtusa</i>	12	484.8	336	68	67.8	13
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For each locus, the amplicon was only a partial fragment of the gene, so the reported length is only reflective of that included in the amplicon.

\*This species had three introns at the *rab4* locus due to a novel intron insertion that was 75 base pairs in length.