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## Proof of Result 7

As the transformation T of the population state is  $T = T_2 \circ T_1$ , where  $T_i$  corresponds to phase i, with selection of type i, for i = 1, 2, and as  $\tilde{\mathbf{x}} = T_1 \bar{\mathbf{x}}$ ,  $\bar{\mathbf{x}} = T_2 \tilde{\mathbf{x}}$ , following the analysis for the case without cycles, the linear approximation matrix  $\mathbf{L}_{ex}$  becomes

$$\mathbf{L}_{\mathrm{ex}} = \mathbf{L}_{\mathrm{ex}}^2 \cdot \mathbf{L}_{\mathrm{ex}}^1, \tag{S7.1}$$

where, as in (S4.1) and (S4.2), we have

$$\mathbf{L}_{ex}^{1} = \begin{pmatrix} (1-m)\bar{A} & (1-m)\bar{B} & m\bar{C} & m\bar{D} \\ (1-m)\bar{D} & (1-m)\bar{C} & m\bar{B} & m\bar{A} \\ m\bar{A} & m\bar{B} & (1-m)\bar{C} & (1-m)\bar{D} \\ m\bar{D} & m\bar{C} & (1-m)\bar{B} & (1-m)\bar{A} \end{pmatrix}, \qquad (S7.2)$$
$$\mathbf{L}_{ex}^{2} = \begin{pmatrix} (1-m)\tilde{A} & (1-m)\tilde{B} & m\tilde{C} & m\tilde{D} \\ (1-m)\tilde{D} & (1-m)\tilde{C} & m\tilde{B} & m\tilde{A} \\ (1-m)\tilde{D} & (1-m)\tilde{C} & m\tilde{B} & m\tilde{A} \\ m\tilde{A} & m\tilde{B} & (1-m)\tilde{C} & (1-m)\tilde{D} \\ m\tilde{D} & m\tilde{C} & (1-m)\tilde{B} & (1-m)\tilde{A} \end{pmatrix}, \qquad (S7.3)$$

and

$$(1+s\bar{x})\overline{A} = (1+s)(1-\mu_b) + r(1-\bar{x})[(s+2)\mu_b - (s+1)]$$

$$(1+s\bar{x})\overline{B} = (1+s)r\bar{x} + \mu_b[1-(s+2)r\bar{x}]$$

$$(1+s\bar{x})\overline{C} = (1-\mu_b) + r\bar{x}[(s+2)\mu_b - 1]$$

$$(1+s\bar{x})\overline{D} = (1+s)\mu_b + r(1-\bar{x})[1-(s+2)\mu_b],$$
(S7.4)

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 + s(1 - \tilde{x}) \end{bmatrix} \widetilde{A} = (1 - \mu_b) + r(1 - \tilde{x}) \begin{bmatrix} (2 + s)\mu_b - 1 \end{bmatrix}$$
  

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 + s(1 - \tilde{x}) \end{bmatrix} \widetilde{B} = (1 + s)\mu_b + r\tilde{x} \begin{bmatrix} 1 - (s + 2)\mu_b \end{bmatrix}$$
  

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 + s(1 - \tilde{x}) \end{bmatrix} \widetilde{C} = (1 + s)(1 - \mu_b) + r\tilde{x} \begin{bmatrix} (s + 2)\mu_b - (s + 1) \end{bmatrix}$$
  

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 + s(1 - \tilde{x}) \end{bmatrix} \widetilde{D} = \mu_b + r(1 - \tilde{x}) \begin{bmatrix} (s + 1) - (s + 2)\mu_b \end{bmatrix}.$$
  
(S7.5)

When we multiply  $\mathbf{L}_{ex}^2$  by  $\mathbf{L}_{ex}^1$  we find that the product  $\mathbf{L}_{ex}$  has the following structure:

$$\mathbf{L}_{\mathrm{ex}} = \begin{pmatrix} a & e & h & d \\ b & f & g & c \\ c & g & f & b \\ d & h & e & a \end{pmatrix}, \qquad (S7.6)$$

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where

$$a = (1 - m)^{2} \widetilde{A} \overline{A} + (1 - m)^{2} \widetilde{B} \overline{D} + m^{2} \widetilde{C} \overline{A} + m^{2} \widetilde{D} \overline{D}$$

$$b = (1 - m)^{2} \widetilde{D} \overline{A} + (1 - m)^{2} \widetilde{C} \overline{D} + m^{2} \widetilde{B} \overline{A} + m^{2} \widetilde{A} \overline{D}$$

$$c = m(1 - m) \left[ \widetilde{A} \overline{A} + \widetilde{B} \overline{D} + \widetilde{C} \overline{A} + \widetilde{D} \overline{D} \right]$$

$$d = m(1 - m) \left[ \widetilde{D} \overline{A} + \widetilde{C} \overline{D} + \widetilde{B} \overline{A} + \widetilde{A} \overline{D} \right]$$

$$e = (1 - m)^{2} \widetilde{A} \overline{B} + (1 - m)^{2} \widetilde{B} \overline{C} + m^{2} \widetilde{C} \overline{B} + m^{2} \widetilde{D} \overline{C}$$

$$f = (1 - m)^{2} \widetilde{D} \overline{B} + (1 - m)^{2} \widetilde{C} \overline{C} + m^{2} \widetilde{B} \overline{B} + m^{2} \widetilde{A} \overline{C}$$

$$g = m(1 - m) \left[ \widetilde{A} \overline{B} + \widetilde{B} \overline{C} + \widetilde{C} \overline{B} + \widetilde{D} \overline{C} \right]$$

$$h = m(1 - m) \left[ \widetilde{D} \overline{B} + \widetilde{C} \overline{C} + \widetilde{B} \overline{B} + \widetilde{A} \overline{C} \right].$$
(S7.7)

Let  $D(\lambda) = \det(\mathbf{L}_{ex} - \lambda \mathbf{I})$  be the characteristic polynomial of  $\mathbf{L}_{ex}$ . From (S7.6),  $D(\lambda)$  factors into  $2 \times 2$  determinants:

$$D(\lambda) = \begin{vmatrix} a+d-\lambda & e+h & 0 & 0\\ b+c & f+g-\lambda & 0 & 0\\ c & g & f-g-\lambda & b-c\\ d & h & e-h & a-d-\lambda \end{vmatrix}.$$
 (S7.8)

Therefore  $D(\lambda)$  can be written

$$D(\lambda) = D_1(\lambda)D_2(\lambda), \qquad (S7.9)$$

where

$$D_1(\lambda) = \lambda^2 - (a+d+f+g)\lambda + (a+d)(f+g) - (b+c)(e+h)$$
  

$$D_2(\lambda) = \lambda^2 - (a-d+f-g)\lambda + (a-d)(f-g) - (b-c)(e-h).$$
(S7.10)

As 0 < m < 1 and  $\overline{A}, \overline{B}, \overline{C}, \overline{D}$  and  $\widetilde{A}, \widetilde{B}, \widetilde{C}, \widetilde{D}$  are all positive, the matrix  $\mathbf{L}_{ex}$  is a positive matrix and its largest eigenvalue in magnitude is positive. Observe that the discriminant of  $D_1(\lambda)$  is

$$(a+d+f+g)^{2} - 4[(a+d)(f+g) - (b+c)(e+h)], \qquad (S7.11)$$

which is positive and equal to

$$[(a+d) - (f+g)]^2 + 4(b+c)(e+h).$$
(S7.12)

In addition, (a + d + f + g) is positive. Therefore  $D_1(\lambda)$  has real roots, and its largest root in magnitude is positive. Thus this positive root is less than 1 if  $D_1(1) > 0$  and  $D'_1(1) > 0$ .

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As the largest eigenvalue of  $\mathbf{L}_{ex}$  is positive, for stability of  $(\bar{\mathbf{x}}, \bar{\mathbf{y}})$  we require that if the eigenvalues associated with  $D_2(\lambda)$  are real and at least one is positive, they are both less than 1. Again the conditions for this are  $D_2(\lambda) > 0$  and  $D'_2(1) > 0$ . Observe that

$$D'_{1}(1) = 2 - (a + d + f + g)$$
  

$$D'_{2}(1) = 2 - (a - d + f - g) = D'_{1}(1) + 2(d + g) > D'_{1}(1).$$
(S7.13)

In view of (S7.13), for the largest eigenvalue of  $\mathbf{L}_{ex}$  to be less than one, we require

$$D_1(1) > 0, \qquad D'_1(1) > 0, \qquad D_2(1) > 0.$$
 (S7.14)

We now compute the constant terms of  $D_1(\lambda)$  and  $D_2(\lambda)$ . We already know, based on the properties of the matrices  $\mathbf{L}_{ex}^1$  and  $\mathbf{L}_{ex}^2$  that the constant terms of both  $D_1(\lambda)$  and  $D_2(\lambda)$ are the same and are equal to

$$(1-2m)^2 \left(\overline{A}\,\overline{C} - \overline{B}\,\overline{D}\right) \left(\widetilde{A}\widetilde{C} - \widetilde{B}\widetilde{D}\right). \tag{S7.15}$$

With the same technique used to compute (S4.10), we deduce that

$$(1+s\overline{x})^2 \left(\overline{A}\,\overline{C} - \overline{B}\,\overline{D}\right) = (1-2\mu_b)\,(1+s)(1-r),\tag{S7.16}$$

and similarly

$$[1 + s(1 - \tilde{x})]^2 \left( \widetilde{A}\widetilde{C} - \widetilde{B}\widetilde{D} \right) = (1 - 2\mu_b)(1 + s)(1 - r).$$
 (S7.17)

Therefore the constant terms of both  $D_1(\lambda)$  and  $D_2(\lambda)$  are the same and are equal to

$$(1-2m)^2 (1-2\mu_b)^2 (1+s\bar{x})^{-2} [1+s(1-\tilde{x})]^{-2} (1+s)^2 (1-r)^2, \qquad (S7.18)$$

which is positive, and so  $D_1(\lambda)$  has two positive roots. Also, as a, b, c, d are all positive,

$$D_{2}(1) = 1 - (a - d + f - g) + (a - d)(f - g) - (b - c)(e - h)$$
  
> 1 - (a + d + f + g) + (a + d)(f + g) - (b + c)(e + h) = D\_{1}(1). (S7.19)

Hence for the symmetric equilibrium to be externally stable, we require that  $D_1(1)$  and  $D'_1(1)$  are both positive.

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Now from (S6.5) we know that

$$(1+s\bar{x})[1+s(1-\tilde{x})] = (1+s) + sm_B[(s+2)\bar{x}-1].$$
 (S7.20)

As  $\bar{x} > \frac{1}{s+2}$  we have

$$(1+s\bar{x})\left[1+s\left(1-\tilde{x}\right)\right] > (1+s). \tag{S7.21}$$

Thus the equal constant terms of  $D_1(\lambda)$  and  $D_2(\lambda)$  given in (S7.18) are positive and less than 1. As a result it is impossible for the two positive roots of  $D_1(\lambda)$  to both be larger than 1, and they are both less than 1 provided  $D_1(1) > 0$ . Hence the external stability of the symmetric equilibrium requires that

$$D_1(1) = 1 - (a + d + f + g) + (a + d)(f + g) - (b + c)(e + h)$$
(S7.22)

is positive (the last summand in (S7.22) is given in (S7.18)). We now compute a+d+f+g.

Computation of (a + d + f + g)

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We have

$$(a+d+f+g) = \left[ (1-m)^2 \widetilde{A} + m^2 \widetilde{C} + m(1-m) \left( \widetilde{B} + \widetilde{D} \right) \right] \overline{A} + \left[ (1-m)^2 \widetilde{C} + m^2 \widetilde{A} + m(1-m) \left( \widetilde{B} + \widetilde{D} \right) \right] \overline{C} + \left[ (1-m)^2 \widetilde{B} + m^2 \widetilde{D} + m(1-m) \left( \widetilde{A} + \widetilde{C} \right) \right] \overline{D} + \left[ (1-m)^2 \widetilde{D} + m^2 \widetilde{B} + m(1-m) \left( \widetilde{A} + \widetilde{C} \right) \right] \overline{B}.$$
(S7.23)

As  $\overline{A}, \overline{B}, \overline{C}, \overline{D}$  and also  $\widetilde{A}, \widetilde{B}, \widetilde{C}, \widetilde{D}$  given in (S7.4) and (S7.5), respectively, are all linear functions of  $\mu_b$ , where  $0 \le \mu_b \le 1$ , we can represent them as  $\overline{A} = (1 - \mu_b)\overline{A}_0 + \mu_b\overline{A}_1$ , etc. Hence

$$(1+s\bar{x})\overline{A}_{0} = (1+s) [1-r(1-\bar{x})] = (1+s\bar{x})\overline{D}_{1}$$

$$(1+s\bar{x})\overline{B}_{0} = (1+s)r\bar{x} = (1+s\bar{x})\overline{C}_{1}$$

$$(1+s\bar{x})\overline{C}_{0} = 1-r\bar{x} = (1+s\bar{x})\overline{B}_{1}$$

$$(1+s\bar{x})\overline{D}_{0} = r(1-\bar{x}) = (1+s\bar{x})\overline{A}_{1},$$

$$[1+s(1-\tilde{x})] \widetilde{A}_{o} = 1-r(1-\tilde{x}) = [1+s(1-\tilde{x})] \widetilde{D}_{1}$$

$$[1+s(1-\tilde{x})] \widetilde{B}_{o} = r\bar{x} = [1+s(1-\tilde{x})] \widetilde{C}_{1}$$

$$[1+s(1-\tilde{x})] \widetilde{C}_{o} = (1+s) [1-r\tilde{x}] = [1+s(1-\tilde{x})] \widetilde{B}_{1}$$

$$[1+s(1-\tilde{x})] \widetilde{D}_{o} = (1+s)r(1-\tilde{x}) = [1+s(1-\tilde{x})] \widetilde{A}_{1}.$$

$$(S7.25)$$

$$[1+s(1-\tilde{x})] \widetilde{D}_{o} = (1+s)r(1-\tilde{x}) = [1+s(1-\tilde{x})] \widetilde{A}_{1}.$$

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Since

$$m_b = m + \mu_b - 2m\mu_b = m(1 - \mu_b) + \mu_b(1 - m)$$
  

$$1 - m_b = 1 - m - \mu_b + 2m\mu_b = (1 - m)(1 - \mu_b),$$
(S7.26)

we can write

$$(a+d+f+g) = \left[ (1-m)(1-m_b)\tilde{A}_0 + (1-m)m_b\tilde{D}_0 + m(1-m_b)\tilde{B}_0 + m \cdot m_b\tilde{C}_0 \right] \overline{A} \\ + \left[ (1-m)(1-m_b)\tilde{C}_0 + (1-m)m_b\tilde{B}_0 + m(1-m_b)\tilde{D}_0 + m \cdot m_b\tilde{A}_0 \right] \overline{C} \\ + \left[ (1-m)(1-m_b)\tilde{B}_0 + (1-m)m_b\tilde{C}_0 + m(1-m_b)\tilde{A}_0 + m \cdot m_b\tilde{D}_0 \right] \overline{D} \\ + \left[ (1-m)(1-m_b)\tilde{D}_0 + (1-m)m_b\tilde{A}_0 + m(1-m_b)\tilde{C}_0 + m \cdot m_b\tilde{B}_0 \right] \overline{B}.$$
(S7.27)

Substitute into (S7.27)

$$\overline{A} = (1 - \mu_b)\overline{A}_0 + \mu_b\overline{D}_0, \qquad \overline{B} = (1 - \mu_b)\overline{B}_0 + \mu_b\overline{C}_0,$$
  

$$\overline{C} = (1 - \mu_b)\overline{C}_0 + \mu_b\overline{B}_0, \qquad \overline{D} = (1 - \mu_b)\overline{D}_0 + \mu_b\overline{A}_0,$$
(S7.38)

to obtain

$$(a+d+f+g) = (1-m_b)^2 \left[ \widetilde{A}_0 \overline{A}_0 + \widetilde{B}_0 \overline{D}_0 + \widetilde{C}_0 \overline{C}_0 + \widetilde{D}_0 \overline{B}_0 \right] + m_b (1-m_b) \left[ \left( \widetilde{B}_0 + \widetilde{D}_0 \right) \left( \overline{A}_0 + \overline{C}_0 \right) + \left( \widetilde{A}_0 + \widetilde{C}_0 \right) \left( \overline{B}_0 + \overline{D}_0 \right) \right] + m_b^2 \left[ \widetilde{A}_0 \overline{C}_0 + \widetilde{B}_0 \overline{B}_0 + \widetilde{C}_0 \overline{A}_0 + \widetilde{D}_0 \overline{D}_0 \right].$$
(S7.29)

Equation (S7.29) can also be written as

$$(a+d+f+g) = (1-2m_b) \left[ \widetilde{A}_0 \overline{A}_0 + \widetilde{B}_0 \overline{D}_0 + \widetilde{C}_0 \overline{C}_0 + \widetilde{D}_0 \overline{B}_0 \right] + m_b \left[ \left( \widetilde{B}_0 + \widetilde{D}_0 \right) \left( \overline{A}_0 + \overline{C}_0 \right) + \left( \widetilde{A}_0 + \widetilde{C}_0 \right) \left( \overline{B}_0 + \overline{D}_0 \right) \right] + m_b^2 \left[ \left( \widetilde{A}_0 + \widetilde{C}_0 \right) \left( \overline{A}_0 + \overline{C}_0 \right) + \left( \widetilde{B}_0 + \widetilde{D}_0 \right) \left( \overline{B}_0 + \overline{D}_0 \right) - \left( \widetilde{A}_0 + \widetilde{C}_0 \right) \left( \overline{B}_0 + \overline{D}_0 \right) + \left( \widetilde{B}_0 + \widetilde{D}_0 \right) \left( \overline{A}_0 + \overline{C}_0 \right) \right],$$

$$(S7.30)$$

or as

$$(a+d+f+g) = (1-2m_b) \left[ \widetilde{A}_0 \overline{A}_0 + \widetilde{B}_0 \overline{D}_0 + \widetilde{C}_0 \overline{C}_0 + \widetilde{D}_0 \overline{B}_0 \right] + m_b \left[ \left( \widetilde{B}_0 + \widetilde{D}_0 \right) \left( \overline{A}_0 + \overline{C}_0 \right) + \left( \widetilde{A}_0 + \widetilde{C}_0 \right) \left( \overline{B}_0 + \overline{D}_0 \right) \right] + m_b^2 \left( \widetilde{A}_0 + \widetilde{C}_0 - \widetilde{B}_0 - \widetilde{D}_0 \right) \left( \overline{A}_0 + \overline{C}_0 - \overline{B}_0 - \overline{D}_0 \right).$$
(S7.31)

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From (S7.24) and (S7.25),

$$(1+s\bar{x})[1+s(1-\tilde{x})]\left[\tilde{A}_{0}\bar{A}_{0}+\tilde{B}_{0}\bar{D}_{0}+\tilde{C}_{0}\bar{C}_{0}+\tilde{D}_{0}\bar{D}_{0}\right] = (1+s)\left[2(1-r)+r^{2}\right]+r^{2}s(s+1)\bar{x}-r^{2}s\tilde{x}-r^{2}s^{2}\bar{x}\tilde{x},$$
(S7.32)

$$(1+s\bar{x})[1+s(1-\tilde{x})]\left[\left(\tilde{B}_{0}+\tilde{D}_{0}\right)(\bar{A}_{0}+\bar{C}_{0})+\left(\tilde{A}_{0}+\tilde{C}_{0}\right)(\bar{B}_{0}+\bar{D}_{0})\right]=2r^{2}(1+s\bar{x})[1+s(1-\bar{x})]+r(1-r)(s+2)\left[(s+2)+s\left(\bar{x}-\tilde{x}\right)\right],(S7.33)$$

$$(1+s\bar{x})[1+s(1-\tilde{x})]\left(\tilde{A}_{0}+\tilde{C}_{0}-\tilde{B}_{0}-\tilde{D}_{0}\right)\left(\bar{A}_{0}+\bar{C}_{0}-\bar{B}_{0}-\bar{D}_{0}\right) = (s+2)^{2}(1-r)^{2}.$$
(S7.34)

Remember that by (S7.18)

$$(1+s\bar{x})^{2} [1+(1-\tilde{x})]^{2} [(a+d)(f+g)-(b+c)(e+h)] =$$
  
=  $(1-2m)^{2} (1-2\mu_{b})^{2} (s+1)^{2} (1-r)^{2}.$  (S7.35)

But

$$(1-2m)(1-2\mu_b) = 1 - 2(m+\mu_b - 2m\mu_b) = 1 - 2m_b.$$
 (S7.36)

Therefore

$$(1+s\bar{x})^{2} [1+(1-\tilde{x})]^{2} [(a+d)(f+g) - (b+c)(e+h)] =$$

$$= (1-2m_{b})^{2} (s+1)^{2} (1-r)^{2}.$$
(S7.37)

Combining all of this, we get that  $D_1(1) = 1 - (a+d+f+g) + (a+d)(f+g) - (b+c)(e+h)$ , which we compute as

$$1 - (1 - 2m_b) \frac{(1+s) \left[2(1-r) + r^2\right] + r^2 s(s+1)\bar{x} - r^2 s \tilde{x} - r^2 s^2 \bar{x} \tilde{x}}{(1+s\bar{x})[1+s(1-\tilde{x})]} - m_b \frac{2r^2(1+s\bar{x})[1+s(1-\tilde{x})] + r(1-r)(s+2)[(s+2) + s(\bar{x}-\tilde{x})]}{(1+s\bar{x})[1+s(1-\tilde{x})]} - m_b^2 \frac{(s+2)^2 (1-r)^2}{(1+s\bar{x})[1+s(1-\tilde{x})]} + \frac{(1-2m_b)^2 (s+1)^2 (1-r)^2}{(1+s\bar{x})^2 [1+s(1-\tilde{x})]^2}.$$
(S7.38)

Observe that

$$r^{2}[(1+s) + s(s+1)\bar{x} - s\tilde{x} - s^{2}\bar{x}\tilde{x}] = r^{2}(1+s\bar{x})[1+s(1-\tilde{x})], \qquad (S7.39)$$

so (S7.38) simplifies to

$$1 - r^{2} - (1 - 2m_{b})\frac{2(1+s)(1-r)}{(1+s\bar{x})[1+s(1-\tilde{x})]} - m_{b}\frac{r(1-r)(s+2)[(s+2)+s(\bar{x}-\tilde{x})]}{(1+s\bar{x})[1+s(1-\tilde{x})]} - m_{b}^{2}\frac{(s+2)^{2}(1-r)^{2}}{(1+s\bar{x})[1+s(1-\tilde{x})]} + \frac{(1-2m_{b})^{2}(s+1)^{2}(1-r)^{2}}{(1+s\bar{x})^{2}[1+s(1-\tilde{x})]^{2}}.$$
(S7.40)

Clearly  $D_1(1)$  of (S7.40) has a factor of (1 - r), and in fact

$$D_1(1) = (1 - r)f(r), (S7.41)$$

where f(r) is a linear function of r, for  $0 \le r \le 1$ . Now

$$f(1) = 2 - (1 - 2m_b) \frac{2(1+s)}{(1+s\bar{x})[1+s(1-x)]} - m_b \frac{(s+2)[(s+2)+s(\bar{x}-\tilde{x})]}{(1+s\bar{x})[1+s(1-\tilde{x})]}.$$
 (S7.42)

Following (S6.7) we have

$$(1+s\bar{x})[1+s(1-\tilde{x})] = (1+s) + sm_B[(s+2)\bar{x}-1].$$
(S7.43)

We also have an equivalent expression for (S7.43) in terms of  $\tilde{x}$ , namely

$$(1+s\bar{x})[1+s(1-\tilde{x})] = (1+s) + sm_B[(s+1) - (s+2)\tilde{x}].$$
(S7.44)

Also, whereas  $\bar{x} > \frac{1}{s+2}$ , we have  $\tilde{x} < \frac{s+1}{s+2}$ . Applying all of this to (S7.42) and using the fact that

$$(1+s\bar{x})[1+s(1-\tilde{x})] = (1+s) + \frac{1}{2}sm_B[s+(s+2)(\bar{x}-\tilde{x})], \qquad (S7.45)$$

we get that

$$(1+s\bar{x})[1+s(1-\tilde{x})]f(1) = 2(s+1) + sm_B[s+(s+2)(\bar{x}-\tilde{x})] -2(1-2m_b)(s+1) - m_b(s+2)[(s+2)+s(\bar{x}-\tilde{x})] = s^2m_B - m_b\left[(s+2)^2 - 4(s+1)\right] + s(s+2)(m_B - m_b)(\bar{x}-\tilde{x}) = s^2(m_B - m_b) + s(s+2)(m_B - m_b)(\bar{x}-\tilde{x}).$$
(S7.46)

Thus

$$(1+s\bar{x})[1+s(1-\tilde{x})]f(1) = s(m_B - m_b)[s+(s+2)(\bar{x}-\tilde{x})].$$
(S7.47)

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But as  $(s+2)\bar{x} > 1$ ,  $(s+2)\tilde{x} < (s+1)$ ,

$$s + (s+2)(\bar{x} - \tilde{x}) = [(s+2)\bar{x} - 1] + [(s+1) - (s+2)\tilde{x}] > 0.$$
 (S7.48)

It follows that the sign of f(1) is the same as the sign of  $(m_B - m_b)$ .

We now compute f(0):

$$f(0) = 1 - (1 - 2m_b) \frac{2(1+s)}{(1+s\bar{x})[1+s(1-\tilde{x})]} - m_b^2 \frac{(s+2)^2}{(1+s\bar{x})[1+s(1-\tilde{x})]} + \frac{(1 - 2m_b)^2 (s+1)^2}{(1+s\bar{x})^2 [1+s(1-\tilde{x})]^2}.$$
(S7.49)

Using the expression (S7.43) for the product of the two mean fitnesses, we get

$$(1+s\bar{x})^{2} [1+s(1-\tilde{x})]^{2} f(0) = \{(1+s) + sm_{B} [(s+2)\bar{x}-1]\}^{2}$$
$$-2(1-2m_{b})(s+1) \{(1+s) + sm_{B} [(s+2)\bar{x}-1]\}$$
$$-m_{b}^{2}(s+2) \{(1+s) + sm_{B} [(s+2)\bar{x}-1]\}$$
$$+ (1-2m_{b})^{2} (s+1)^{2}.$$
(S7.50)

In (S7.50) we replace the  $\bar{x}^2$  term using the equilibrium equation (36) to give

$$(1+s\bar{x})^{2} \left[1+s(1-\tilde{x})\right]^{2} f(0) = (m_{B}-m_{b})s \left\{m_{b}s(s+1) - m_{B}^{2} \left(s+2\right)^{2} + m_{B} \left[(s+1)(s+4) - m_{b} \left(s+2\right)^{2}\right] + m_{B}(s+2)\bar{x} \left[m_{B} \left(s+2\right)^{2} + m_{b} \left(s+2\right)^{2} - 4(s+1)\right]\right\}.$$

$$(S7.51)$$

The right-hand side of (S7.51) is  $(m_B - m_b)s$  multiplied by

$$m_b s(s+1) + m_B (s+2)^2 (m_B + m_b) [\bar{x}(s+2) - 1] + m_B (s+1) [(s+4) - 4\bar{x}(s+2)].$$
(S7.52)

We will show that (S7.52) is always positive. In fact, (S7.52) is equal to

$$m_b s(s+1) + m_B \cdot m_b (s+2)^2 \left[ \bar{x}(s+2) - 1 \right] + m_B^2 (s+2)^2 \left[ \bar{x}(s+2) - 1 \right] + m_B (s+1) \left[ (s+4) - 4\bar{x}(s+2) \right].$$
(S7.53)

From the equilibrium equation (36) we get that

$$m_B[(s+2)\bar{x}-1] = s\bar{x}^2 + 2\bar{x} - 1.$$
 (S7.54)

Hence (S7.53) is equal to

$$m_b s(s+1) + m_B \cdot m_b (s+2)^2 \left[ \bar{x}(s+2) - 1 \right] + m_B (s+2)^2 \left[ s \bar{x}^2 + 2\bar{x} - 1 \right] + m_B (s+1) \left[ (s+4) - 4\bar{x}(s+2) \right].$$
(S7.55)

The last two terms have a factor  $m_B$  that multiplies

$$(s+1)(s+4) - (s+2)^{2} + (s+2)^{2} \bar{x}(2+s\bar{x}) - 4\bar{x}(s+1)(s+2) =$$

$$= s + (s+2)\bar{x}[(s+2)(2+s\bar{x}) - 4(s+1)]$$

$$= s + (s+2)\bar{x}[(s+2)s\bar{x} - 2s]$$

$$= s [(s+2)^{2} \bar{x}^{2} - 2(s+2)\bar{x} + 1] = s[(s+2)\bar{x} - 1]^{2},$$
(S7.56)

which is positive. To sum up, f(0) also has the same sign of  $(m_B - m_b)$ , and so

$$D_1(1) = (1 - r)s(m_B - m_b)\Delta(r), \qquad (S7.57)$$

where  $\Delta(r)$  is a linear function of r that is positive for all  $0 \le r \le 1$ . As  $(m_B - m_b) = (1 - 2m)(\mu_B - \mu_b)$ , this proves the following result.