

# 1 S1 Appendix

## 2 1.1 The model

3 The coalescent process for two samples under a multi-deme model can be described by a  
 4 continuous time Markov chain (CTMC) (Bahlo and Griffiths, 2001). Let  $i, j$  represent sam-  
 5 pled lineages and  $\alpha, \beta$  their locations, respectively,  $d$  is the number of demes (or populations)  
 6 and  $(\alpha, \beta) \in \{1, \dots, d\} \times \{1, \dots, d\}$ . Let  $c$  denote the coalescent state. The infinitesimal rate  
 7 matrix  $R$  of this CTMC is

$$\begin{aligned}
 R_{(\alpha,\beta),(\gamma,\beta)} &= m_{\alpha,\gamma} \quad \beta = 1, \dots, d, \quad \gamma \neq \alpha \\
 R_{(\alpha,\beta),(\alpha,\gamma)} &= m_{\beta,\gamma} \quad \alpha = 1, \dots, d, \quad \gamma \neq \beta \\
 R_{(\alpha,\alpha),(c)} &= q_\alpha \\
 R_{(\alpha,\beta),(\alpha,\beta)} &= -(m_{\alpha_+} + m_{\beta_+}) - \delta_{\alpha\beta}q_\alpha \\
 R_{(c),(c)} &= 0 \\
 R_{(c),\beta} &= 0 \quad \beta = 1, \dots, d \\
 R_{(\alpha,\beta),(\gamma,\kappa)} &= 0 \quad \gamma, \kappa = 1, \dots, d, \quad \gamma \neq \alpha, \kappa \neq \beta,
 \end{aligned} \tag{S1}$$

8 where  $M = \langle m_{\alpha,\beta} \rangle$  denotes the migration rate matrix, and  $m_{\alpha,\beta}$  is the migration rate between  
 9 demes  $\alpha, \beta$  and  $q_\alpha = \frac{1}{2N_\alpha}$  is the coalescent rate of deme  $\alpha$  which is proportional to the inverse  
 10 of the population size at deme  $\alpha$  ( $N_k$ ), and  $m_{\alpha_+} = \sum_{\gamma \neq \alpha} m_{\alpha,\gamma}$ . Let  $T_{i,j}$  denote the (random)  
 11 coalescent time between the pair of sampled lineages, and  $f_{T_{i,j}}(t)$  denote the probability  
 12 density of a coalescent event at time  $t$ . Here, we derive  $f_{T_{i,j}}(t)$  by conditioning on the  
 13 position of the two lineages.

14 **Lemma 1.1** *Let  $(X_i(t), X_j(t)) \in \{1, \dots, d\} \times \{1, \dots, d\}$  denote the position of lineage  $i$  and*  
 15 *lineage  $j$  at time  $t$  respectively and are moving according to the CTMC defined by (S1). The*  
 16 *probability density  $f_{T_{i,j}}(t)$  that lineage  $i$  and  $j$  coalesce at time  $t$  is given by  $\sum_{\kappa=1}^d q_\kappa P(X_i(t) =$   
 17  $\kappa, X_j(t) = \kappa)$ .*

18 For  $\Delta t \approx 0$ ,

$$P(T_{i,j} \in [t, t + \Delta t]) \tag{S2}$$

$$\approx \sum_{\kappa=1}^d P(T_{i,j} \in [t, t + \Delta t] | X_i(t) = \kappa, X_j(t) = \kappa) P(X_i(t) = \kappa, X_j(t) = \kappa) \tag{S3}$$

$$\approx \sum_{\kappa=1}^d q_{\kappa} \Delta t P(X_i(t) = \kappa, X_j(t) = \kappa). \tag{S4}$$

19 Taking the limit  $\Delta t \rightarrow 0$ , we arrive at the density

$$f_{T_{i,j}}(t) = \lim_{\Delta t \rightarrow 0} P(T_{i,j} \in [t, t + \Delta t]) / \Delta t = \sum_{\kappa=1}^d q_{\kappa} P(X_i(t) = \kappa, X_j(t) = \kappa). \tag{S5}$$

## 20 The random walk approximation to the coalescent

21 Here, we introduce an approximation,

$$P(X_i(t) = \kappa, X_j(t) = \kappa) \approx P(X_i(t) = \kappa) P(X_j(t) = \kappa). \tag{S6}$$

22 The intuition is that the probability that lineage  $i$  and  $j$  coalesce before time  $t$  is extremely  
 23 small such that the two lineages approximately behave like two independently moving par-  
 24 ticles. Each lineage can be modeled by a random walk with transition matrix  $M$ . These  
 25 assumptions were also made in the context of continuous spatial diffusion models for hap-  
 26 lotype sharing [Baharian et al. \(2016\)](#); [Ringbauer et al. \(2017\)](#), and even further back, as a  
 27 general approximation to the two-dimensional continuous-space coalescent process ([Barton](#)  
 28 [et al., 2002](#); [Wilkins, 2004](#); [Blum et al., 2004](#); [Novembre and Slatkin, 2009](#); [Robledo-Arnuncio](#)  
 29 [and Rousset, 2010](#)).

30 This approximation implies that

$$f_{T_{i,j}}(t) \approx \sum_{\kappa} q_{\kappa} (e^{-Mt})_{\alpha, \kappa} (e^{-Mt})_{\beta, \kappa}, \tag{S7}$$

31 where lineages  $i, j$  are initially sampled in deme  $\alpha, \beta$ . Or equivalently in matrix form,

$$f_{T_{i,j}}(t) \approx \left( e^{-Mt} Q e^{-Mt} \right)_{i,j}, \tag{S8}$$

32 where  $Q = \text{diag}(q_1, \dots, q_d)$ .

33 **Varying migration rates and population sizes across time**

**Corollary 1.1.1** *Let time slice  $k$  be defined by the interval  $t_{k-1} < t < t_k$ ,  $M_k$  denote the migration rate matrix in time slice  $k$ , and  $Q_k = \text{diag}(q_1^k, \dots, q_d^k)$  where  $q_\alpha^k$  denotes the coalescent rate in deme  $\alpha$  at time slice  $k$ . Let  $T_{i,j}$  denote the coalescent time between lineage  $i, j$  sampled in demes  $\alpha, \beta$ , then under the independence assumption, for  $t \in (t_{K-1}, t_K)$ ,*

$$f_{T_{i,j}}(t) \approx \left( G_K(t) Q_K G_K(t) \right)_{\alpha, \beta}, \quad (\text{S9})$$

34 where  $G_K(t) = \left( \prod_{k=1}^{K-1} \exp(- (t_k - t_{k-1}) M_k) \right) \exp(- (t - t_K) M_K)$

35 **Expected number of IPSC segments given the demography  $\Theta$**

36 **Lemma 1.2** *It follows that  $E[X_{i,j}^\mu | \Theta] \approx G \int_\mu^\infty f_L(l | \Theta) / l dl$  where  $X_{i,j}^\mu$  denotes the number*  
 37 *of PSC segment greater than  $\mu$  basepairs shared between haploid individuals  $i, j$ ,  $\Theta$  denotes*  
 38 *the demographic model,  $G$  denote the size of the genome,  $L$  denotes the random length (in*  
 39 *base-pairs) of the PSC segment between  $i$  and  $j$  containing a pre-specified position in the*  
 40 *genome, and  $f_L(l | \Theta)$  the probability densite of  $L$  conditional on  $\Theta$ .*

41 Let  $E[\mathcal{F}^\mu | \Theta]$  denote the expected fraction of the genome between  $i, j$  that lies in PSC seg-  
 42 ments greater than  $\mu$ , and  $E[s^\mu | \Theta]$  the expected size of a PSC segment conditional on it  
 43 being at least length  $\mu$ . According to equations 9-14 from (Palamara et al., 2012),

$$E[X_{i,j}^\mu | \theta] \approx \frac{G E[\mathcal{F}^\mu | \Theta]}{E[s^\mu | \Theta]}, \quad (\text{S10})$$

$$E[\mathcal{F}^\mu | \Theta] = \int_\mu^\infty f_L(l | \Theta) dl, \quad (\text{S11})$$

$$E[s^\mu | \Theta] = \frac{\int_\mu^\infty f_L(l | \Theta) dl}{\int_\mu^\infty f_L(l | \Theta) / l dl}. \quad (\text{S12})$$

44 We obtain the desired result by substituting (S11) and (S12) into (S10) and canceling like-  
 45 terms.

46 **Expected age of a segment**

47 We choose PSC segment lengths based on their expected age which is derived below.

48 **Lemma 1.3** *The expected coalescent time ( $t$ , in generations) of PSC segments between*  
 49 *length  $L_1$  centiMorgans and  $L_2$  centiMorgans is approximately  $\frac{300}{4}(\frac{1}{L_1} + \frac{1}{L_2})$  if the effective*  
 50 *population size ( $N$ ) is sufficiently large.*

51 We choose to work in units of basepairs, and will convert back to units of morgans at the  
 52 end. We convert  $L_1$  into units of base-pairs with the transformation:  $\mu = \frac{L_1}{100r}$  and similarly  
 53  $\nu = \frac{L_2}{100r}$ .

Let us denote  $T|l, N$  as the random coalescent time of a PSC segment that is at least length  $l$  under a single-deme demography model with population size  $N$ . The expected coalescent time of an PSC segment longer than  $\mu$  base-pairs can be expressed as

$$\begin{aligned} E[T|l \geq \mu, N] &= \int_0^\infty t f_T(t|l \geq \mu, N) dt = \int_0^\infty t \frac{f_L(l \geq \mu|t) f_T(t|N)}{f_L(l \geq \mu|N)} dt \\ &= \frac{\int_0^\infty t f_L(l \geq \mu|t) f_T(t|N) dt}{\int_0^\infty f_L(l \geq \mu|t) f_T(t|N) dt}, \end{aligned} \quad (\text{S13})$$

54 where  $f_L(l|t) = 4r^2 t^2 l e^{-2trl}$  denotes the probability density that a PSC segment is of length  
 55  $l$  given it has a common ancestor event at time  $t$ ,  $f_T(t|N)$  denotes the probability density  
 56 that a coalescent event occurs at time  $t$  under the demography model with population size  
 57  $N$ .

Next, we expand a key term in equation (S13)

$$f_L(l \geq \mu|t) = \int_\mu^\infty f_L(l|t) dl = (2rt\mu + 1) \exp\left(-2rt\mu\right) \quad (\text{S14})$$

and assume,

$$f_T(t|N) = \frac{e^{-t/N}}{N}. \quad (\text{S15})$$

58 Putting everything together,

$$E[T|l \geq \mu, N] = \frac{N(1 + 6Nr\mu)/(1 + 2Nr\mu)^3}{(1 + 4Nr\mu)/(1 + 2Nr\mu)^2} = \frac{N(1 + 6Nr\mu)}{1 + 6Nr\mu + 8N^2(r\mu)^2}. \quad (\text{S16})$$

59 We can remove the dependence of  $N$  by taking  $\lim_{N \rightarrow \infty}$  as done similarly in Baharian et al.  
 60 (2016),

$$\lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} E[T|l \geq \mu, N] = \frac{3}{4r\mu} \quad (\text{S17})$$

Now that we have derived the expected age of PSC segment longer than  $\mu$ , it is quite simple

to expand the equation for PSC segments between  $\mu$  and  $\nu$  base-pairs,

$$\begin{aligned}
E[T|\mu \leq l \leq \nu] &= \frac{\int_0^\infty t f_L(\mu \leq l \leq \nu|t) f_{T|N}(t) dt}{\int_0^\infty f_L(\mu \leq l \leq \nu|t) f_{T|N}(t) dt} = \frac{\int_0^\infty t \left( f_L(l \geq \mu|t) - f_L(l \geq \nu|t) \right) f_{T|N}(t) dt}{\int_0^\infty \left( f_L(l \geq \mu|t) - f_L(l \geq \nu|t) \right) f_{T|N}(t) dt} \\
&= \frac{3}{4} \left( \frac{1}{r\mu} + \frac{1}{r\nu} \right)
\end{aligned} \tag{S18}$$

61 We transform back to units of centimorgans: let  $L_1 = 100r\mu$  and  $L_2 = 100r\nu$  be in units of  
62 centiMorgans, we get the desired result

$$\lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} E[T|\mu \leq l \leq \nu] = 75 \left( \frac{1}{L_1} + \frac{1}{L_2} \right). \tag{S19}$$

## 63 1.2 Transformation of migration rates to dispersal rates

64 Migration rates inferred under a discrete model can be transformed to dispersal distances  
65 representing parameters in continuous space. Here, we derive the transformation.

66 **Lemma 1.4** *Consider a random walk on a 2D grid, where steps are taken according to a*  
67 *Poisson process with rate  $m$  measured in generations, and let  $\underline{X}(t)$  be a vector denoting the*  
68 *coordinates of the particle at time  $t$ . The distribution of  $\underline{X}(t)$  approximately only depends on*  
69 *the compound parameter  $m(\Delta x)^2$  (or equivalently  $\sqrt{m}\Delta x$ ) where  $\Delta x$  denotes the step size*  
70 *in the grid (i.e. edge length).*

$$\underline{X}(t) = \sum_{i=1}^{N(t)} \underline{Z}_i, \tag{S20}$$

71 where  $N(t)$  is the number of steps taken by time  $t$ , and  $\underline{Z}_i$  is a random variable representing  
72 the direction and magnitude taken at step  $i$ . Since  $X(t)$  is a sum of iid variables, a form of  
73 the central limit theorem applies here and  $X(t)$  converges to the normal distribution ([Rényi,](#)  
74 [1960](#)).

75 In a random walk on a triangular grid, a particle can move in one of the 6 directions  
76 (upper-right, right, lower-right, left, upper-left, and lower-left):

$$\begin{aligned}
\underline{Z}_i &= (\Delta x/2, \Delta x\sqrt{3}/2)^T \text{ with } p = 1/6 \\
&= (\Delta x, 0)^T \text{ with } p = 1/6 \\
&= (\Delta x/2, -\Delta x\sqrt{3}/2)^T \text{ with } p = 1/6 \\
&= (-\Delta x, 0)^T \text{ with } p = 1/6 \\
&= (-\Delta x/2, \Delta x\sqrt{3}/2)^T \text{ with } p = 1/6 \\
&= (-\Delta x/2, -\Delta x\sqrt{3}/2)^T \text{ with } p = 1/6
\end{aligned}$$

77 where  $\Delta x$  represents the step size in the grid (i.e. edge length). The mean and variance are  
78 given by,

$$E[\underline{X}(t)] = 0 \tag{S21}$$

79 and,

$$\text{Var}[\underline{X}(t)] = \frac{mt(\Delta x)^2}{2} I_2. \tag{S22}$$

80 where  $I_2$  is the identity matrix. We do not show the additional steps of using the law of  
81 total variance conditioning on  $N(t)$  and using  $E[N(t)] = mt$ . Under normality, the mean  
82 and variance are sufficient statistics. Note that (S21) and (S22) also hold for square grids.

### 83 **Interpretation of the migration diffusion parameter $m(\Delta x)^2$**

Here, we discuss how we interpret the diffusion constant  $m(\Delta x)^2$ . Let the distance  $d = \|\underline{X}(t)\| = \sqrt{x_1^2 + x_2^2}$ , then

$$E[d^2]/t = E[x_1^2 + x_2^2]/t = E[x_1^2]/t + E[x_2^2]/t = \frac{m(\Delta x)^2}{2} + \frac{m(\Delta x)^2}{2} = m(\Delta x)^2. \tag{S23}$$

84 Thus the square root of the diffusion constant can be written as  $\sqrt{m}\Delta x = \sqrt{\frac{E[d^2]}{t}}$  which  
85 suggests an interpretation as the distance traveled by an individual *after one generation*, and  
86 sometimes is called the “dispersal” distance or the “root mean square dispersal distance”.  
87 In these units, dispersal is more directly comparable to empirical estimates of dispersal from  
88 pedigree data [Kaplanis et al. \(2018\)](#). However, interpolating the distance traveled over many  
89 generations is not trivial here because the the distance does not scale linearly with time (i.e.  
90 the units of dispersal distance are km per square root generation).

91 **1.3 Diversity rates versus coalescent rates**

92 For computational efficiency, the EEMS software uses a combination of the resistance dis-  
 93 tance model and within-deme “diversity rates” to approximate expected pairwise coalescent  
 94 times, in which,

$$E[\hat{T}_{\alpha,\beta}] = \begin{cases} \frac{R_{\alpha,\beta}}{4} + \frac{e_{q\alpha} + e_{q\beta}}{2} & \text{if } \alpha \neq \beta \\ e_{q\alpha} & \text{if } \alpha = \beta \end{cases}. \quad (\text{S24})$$

where  $E[\hat{T}_{\alpha,\beta}]$  is the resistance distance approximation to the expected coalescent time be-  
 tween deme  $\alpha$  and deme  $\beta$ ,  $e_{q\alpha}$  is the “diversity rate” in deme  $\alpha$ , and  $R_{\alpha,\beta}$  is the resistance  
 distance between demes  $\alpha, \beta$  (Petkova et al., 2016). The diversity rates have no simple ex-  
 pression in terms of population-genetic parameters under the multi-deme coalescent model.  
 As an alternative, diversity rates can be interpreted as reflecting average within deme het-  
 erozygosity since  $e_q = E[\hat{T}_w] \propto H_\alpha$  where the heterozygosity for deme  $\alpha$  ( $H_\alpha$ ) is defined  
 as,

$$H_\alpha = \frac{1}{\binom{n_\alpha}{2}} \sum_{i < j, i \in \alpha, j \in \alpha} D_{i,j}, \quad (\text{S25})$$

95 where  $D_{i,j}$  is the average number of differences between (haploid) individuals  $i$  and  $j$ .

96 **Migration and population sizes are identifiable in MAPS**

97 MAPS models the recombination process using rates estimated from a recombination rate  
 98 map. In this model, population sizes and migration rates can be inferred separately rather  
 99 than as a joint parameter. Intuitively, the recombination rate serves an independent clock  
 100 to calibrate estimates.

101 More formally, a statement of identifiability is a statement regarding the likelihood.  
 102 MAPS models the expected number of IPSC segments shared between pairs of (haploid)  
 103 individuals, and can be computed with an integral. The integral can be broken up into a  
 104 product of two functions: a function describing the decay of PSC segments as a function  
 105 of time (“recombination rate clock”), and the coalescent time probability density  $f_{T_{i,j}}(t)$ .  
 106 The migration rates and population sizes only appear in  $f_{T_{i,j}}(t)$ , and cannot be factored into  
 107 parameters involving combinations of the migration rates and population sizes.

108 **1.4 The prior**

109 The structure of the prior closely resembles the prior in the EEMS method Petkova et al.  
 110 (2016). The tessellation for the migration rates ( $T_m$ ) is encoded by a list  $(\underline{l}^m, \underline{m}, c_m, \mu_m)$

111 where  $\underline{l}^m$  are the locations of each cell,  $\underline{m}$  the rates of each cell, and are vectors of length  
 112  $c_m$  (i.e. number of Voronoi cells), and  $\mu_m$  is the overall mean migration rate. The Voronoi  
 113 tessellation for the coalescent rates is  $T_q = (\underline{l}^q, \underline{q}, c_q, \mu_q)$ .

114 The location of each (unordered) Voronoi cell is distributed uniformly across the habitat,

$$l_c^m \stackrel{iid}{\sim} U(H), \quad (\text{S26})$$

115 where  $U$  denotes the uniform distribution. The number of cells (a-priori) are drawn from a  
 116 negative binomial distribution,

$$c_m \sim \text{NegBi}(r_m, p_m). \quad (\text{S27})$$

117 The effects of each Voronoi cell is normally distributed with variance  $\omega^2$ .

$$\log_{10}(m_i) \stackrel{iid}{\sim} N(\mu_m, \omega_m^2) \quad (\text{S28})$$

$$\log_{10}(q_i) \stackrel{iid}{\sim} N(\mu_q, \omega_q^2) \quad (\text{S29})$$

118 The probability of a particular (unordered) cell configuration is,

$$p(\underline{m}|c_m) = c_m! \prod_{i=1}^{c_m} N(\log_{10}(m_i) | \mu_m, \omega_m^2) \quad (\text{S30})$$

119 We assume,

$$\log_{10}(\omega_m) \sim U(-3, \log_{10}(1.5)) \quad (\text{S31})$$

$$\log_{10}(\omega_q) \sim U(-3, \log_{10}(1)) \quad (\text{S32})$$

120 We set 1.5 as the upper bound for  $\log_{10}(\omega_m)$ . For the normal distribution, 95% of the density  
 121 is within two standard deviations of the mean. As a result, by setting the upper bound for  
 122 for  $\log_{10}(\omega_m)$  to be 1.5, we are constraining  $m$  so that the probability that it is within 3  
 123 orders of magnitude from the mean is 0.95 *a priori*, and similarly we set 1 as the upper  
 124 bound for  $\log_{10}(\omega_q)$  to restrict the population sizes so to be within 2 orders of magnitude  
 125 from the mean with probability 0.95 *a priori*.

126 We assume,

$$\mu_m \sim U(-10, 4) \quad (\text{S33})$$

$$\mu_q \sim U(-10, 4). \quad (\text{S34})$$

127 We place a uniform prior on the log of the mean rates to reflect that we are uncertain about  
 128 the order of magnitude. Here, the data is highly informative of the mean, as a result, we  
 129 can allow the support of the prior to vary by many orders of magnitude.

## 130 1.5 MCMC

### 131 Re-parameterization

132 In this section, we describe how we try to decorrelate parameters in order to improve mixing  
 133 of the MCMC. We decouple the migration rates from the mean rate ( $\mu$ ), and variance ( $\omega$ )  
 134 by introducing a new variable  $e_i$ ,

$$e_i \stackrel{iid}{\sim} N(0, 1). \quad (\text{S35})$$

135 We can write the cell specific migration rates as,

$$\log_{10}(m_i) = e_i \omega + \mu. \quad (\text{S36})$$

136 Written this way, we can make separate updates to the cell effects ( $e_i$ ), the mean ( $\mu$ ) and  
 137 the variance scale ( $\omega$ ), instead of for example, updating  $m_i$  which depends on all three  
 138 parameters.

139 Furthermore, we want to ensure that the mean cell effect is zero, i.e.  $\bar{e} = \frac{\sum_i e_i}{c} \approx 0$  and  
 140 have the parameter  $\mu$  to absorb any change in the mean cell effects. This does not always  
 141 happen in practice because of poor MCMC mixing. To ensure that the mean cell effect is  
 142 zero, we add MH joint random-walk updates to  $\mu$  and  $e_i$  as follows,

$$\mu' = \mu + \epsilon, \quad (\text{S37})$$

$$e'_i = e_i - \frac{\epsilon}{\omega}, \quad (\text{S38})$$

143 where  $\epsilon \sim N(0, 1)$ . The intuition here is that a constant  $\epsilon$  is subtracted from the mean,  
 144 which then gets added to the individual cell effects  $e_i$  which ensures that the mean cell effect  
 145 is approximately 0.

146 The steps above are applied to both the migration rates and coalescent rates.

147 **Updating the number of cells**

148 The number of cells change the dimension of the likelihood, and as a result, we must use  
 149 a Reversible Jump MCMC step so that the ratio of densities in the Metropolis-Hastings  
 150 acceptance ratio is well-defined (Green, 1995). We choose to update the number of cells with  
 151 a birth-death update (Stephens, 2000). Fortunately, in such a case, the updates reduce to  
 152 standard Metropolis-Hastings because the dimension matching constant (i.e. the "Jacobian")  
 153 equals one (Petkova et al., 2016; Stephens, 2000). See equations S31 and S32 in Petkova  
 154 et al. (2016) for formulas regarding the birth-death update. Here, we use nearly identical  
 155 updates (with a slight modification).

156 When increasing the number of cells from  $c$  to  $c + 1$  (i.e. a birth-update), we randomly  
 157 choose a location uniformly across the habitat, and the new migration is proposed from  
 158 a standard normal because our cell effects are standardized to improve MCMC mixing as  
 159 discussed above. In contrast, EEMS proposes cell effects migration to be normally distributed  
 160 around a cell effect at a randomly chosen point in the habitat. Here we set,  $p(\text{birth}) =$   
 161  $p(\text{death}) = 0.5$  if the number cells  $\geq 1$ , otherwise  $p(\text{birth}) = 1$ .

The acceptance ratio for a birth update (going from  $c$  cells to  $c + 1$  cells) is

$$\alpha(x, x') = \min\left(1, \frac{p(\text{death})}{p(\text{birth})} \frac{l(x')p(x')\frac{1}{c+1}}{l(x)p(x)N(e_{c+1}|0, 1)}\right), \quad (\text{S39})$$

where  $x$  denotes the current state of the MCMC,  $x'$  the proposed state,  $e_{c+1}$  is the proposed cell effect drawn from a standard normal,  $l()$  is the likelihood function, and  $p()$  is the prior. Conversely, in a death-update, we randomly choose one cell uniformly to kill. In this case, the acceptance ratio for a death proposal (going from  $c + 1$  cells to  $c$  cells) is

$$\alpha(x, x') = \min\left(1, \frac{p(\text{birth})}{p(\text{death})} \frac{l(x')p(x')N(e_c|0, 1)}{l(x)p(x)\frac{1}{c+1}}\right). \quad (\text{S40})$$

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