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# Haploid lineage process

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## Abstract

**STAGE:** WORKING DRAFT

**DOCUMENT TYPE:** Formal Mathematical Definition

### OBJECTIVES:

- Formal mathematical definition of stochastic process used by statistical estimator of admixture timing under development.
- Precise mathematical definitions for technical discussions relating to ancestral recombination graphs.

## Notation

- " $\text{dom } f$ " denotes the domain of function  $f$
- " $\llbracket x \in S \rrbracket$ " is Iverson bracket notation for the indicator function of  $S$ , namely

$$\llbracket x \in S \rrbracket = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } x \in S \\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

## Fertilization Function

A *haploid lineage process* is formally defined in terms of a given fixed *fertilization function*, which we denote with the symbol  $\text{Fert}$ . This function maps possible occurrences of fertilization to points in time.

From a given fertilization function  $\text{Fert}$ , we define three convenient symbols:

- $\text{Tim}$ : the range of  $\text{Fert}$  (a set of real numbers representing points in time),
- $\text{Dip}$ : the domain of  $\text{Fert}$  (a set of possible diploid organisms), and
- $\text{Hap}$ : the set  $\text{Dip} \times \{0, 1\}$  representing fertilizing gametes.

For a diploid  $d \in \text{Dip}$ , the members  $(d, 0)$  and  $(d, 1)$  of  $\text{Hap}$  index the fertilizing egg and sperm gametes, respectively.

For convenience, we map  $\text{Hap}$  to fertilization times with:

$$\text{Fert}_H((d, s)) := \text{Fert}(d)$$

for all  $d \in \text{Dip}$  and  $s \in \{0, 1\}$ .

We denote the following inverse images as:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Dip}_t &:= \{d \in \text{Dip} : \text{Fert}(d) = t\} \\ \text{Hap}_t &:= \{d \in \text{Hap} : \text{Fert}_H(d) = t\} \\ \text{Dip}_{<t} &:= \{d \in \text{Dip} : \text{Fert}(d) < t\}. \end{aligned}$$

A technical requirement on any given  $\text{Fert}$  in this document is that  $\text{Dip}_t$  must be countable for every  $t \in \text{Tim}$ .

An example of a valid fertilization function is  $\text{Fert} : \mathbf{N}^2 \mapsto \mathbf{N}$  where  $\text{Fert}((t, n)) = t$ .

## Haploid lineage process

Given

- a fertilization function  $\text{Fert}$ ,
- a set  $\text{Loc}$  of genomic locations,
- and probability space  $(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mathbb{P})$ ,

a *Haploid lineage process* is a stochastic process defined by a time-indexed family of two random variables

$$\{(\text{Par}_t, \text{Pat}_t)\}_{t \in \text{Tim}}.$$

Each  $\text{Par}_t$  is a random function from a subset of  $\text{Hap}_t$  to  $\text{Dip}_{<t}$ .  $\text{Par}_t(h)$  represents the diploid **P**arent that produced the haploid gamete  $h$ .

Each  $\text{Pat}_t$  is a random function from the domain of  $\text{Par}_t$  to subsets of  $\text{Loc}$ .  $\text{Pat}_t(h)$  represents the genome locations replicated into the gamete  $h$  from the **P**aternal haploid genome of the parent  $\text{Par}_t(h)$  (inherited from the father of the parent producing the gamete).

For convenience we define:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Par}(h) &:= \text{Par}_t(h) \\ \text{Pat}(h) &:= \text{Pat}_t(h) \end{aligned}$$

where  $t = \text{Fert}_H(h)$ .

## Haploid lineages

A haploid lineage process induces a random function  $\text{Lin}$  which maps a genomic location in a descendant haploid genome to a haploid lineage. A haploid lineage consists of all the haploids transmitting genetic information via a genomic location to a descendant haploid. For every genomic location  $\ell \in \text{Loc}$  and haploid  $h \in \text{Hap}$ , its haploid lineage is

$$\text{Lin}(\ell, h) := \bigcup_i \{a_i\}$$

where  $a_i$  is defined inductively as follows:

$$a_0 := h$$

and for integers  $i > 0$ ,

$$a_{i+1} := \begin{cases} (\text{Par}(a_i), \llbracket \ell \in \text{Pat}(a_i) \rrbracket) & \text{if } a_i \in \text{dom Par} \\ a_i & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

## An embedded Ancestral Recombination Graph

An ancestral recombination graph [1] [2] [3] of a sampled population is embedded in any outcome of any haploid lineage process. We formally show the exact embedding using the gARG formalism [4].

We start by defining the *genetic legacy* of an ancestral haploid  $h \in \text{Hap}$  for sample population  $S \subseteq \text{Hap}$  to be

$$\text{Leg}(h, S) := \{(\ell, d) \in \text{Loc} \times S : h \in \text{Lin}(\ell, d)\}.$$

This genetic legacy is the genetic material that survives in the sample population  $S$  originally copied from ancestral haploid  $h$  (with or without mutations).

Genetic legacy for a sample population  $S$  induces the following equivalence relationship over pairs of haploids  $h_1$  and  $h_2$  in  $\text{Hap}$ :

$$h_1 \simeq_S h_2 := \text{Leg}(h_1, S) = \text{Leg}(h_2, S).$$

We denote the resulting equivalence class containing  $h \in \text{Hap}$  as

$$[h]_S := \{h' : \text{Leg}(h', S) = \text{Leg}(h, S)\}.$$

In this equivalence relationship, haploids are considered equivalent if they have the same genetic legacy for the sample population  $S$ .

A convenient choice for an embedded gARG [4] is to set the gARG nodes (vertices) to be the equivalence classes:

$$\text{Nodes}(S) := \{[h]_S : h \in \text{Hap}\}.$$

The (unannotated) graph edges of the gARG are chosen as child-parent node pairs  $(C, P) \in \text{Nodes}(S)^2$  where

$$(\text{Par}(h), i) \in P \text{ for some } h \in C \text{ and some } i \in \{0, 1\}.$$

In the gARG, annotations are added for each graph edge (pair of child and parent nodes). This annotation is the set of locations through which genetic information has been copied from parent to child. In the following interpretation, the only locations of interest are those for which genetic information has been transmitted into the sample population  $S$ . With this interpretation, the annotation for edge  $(C, P)$  is

$$\{\ell \in \text{Loc} : C \subseteq \text{Lin}(\ell, h) \text{ and } P \subseteq \text{Lin}(\ell, h) \text{ for some } h \in S\}.$$

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- add section about embedded ARG
- removed conjecture relating to [5]

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