

## CONCEPT: ALLELIC FREQUENCY CHANGES

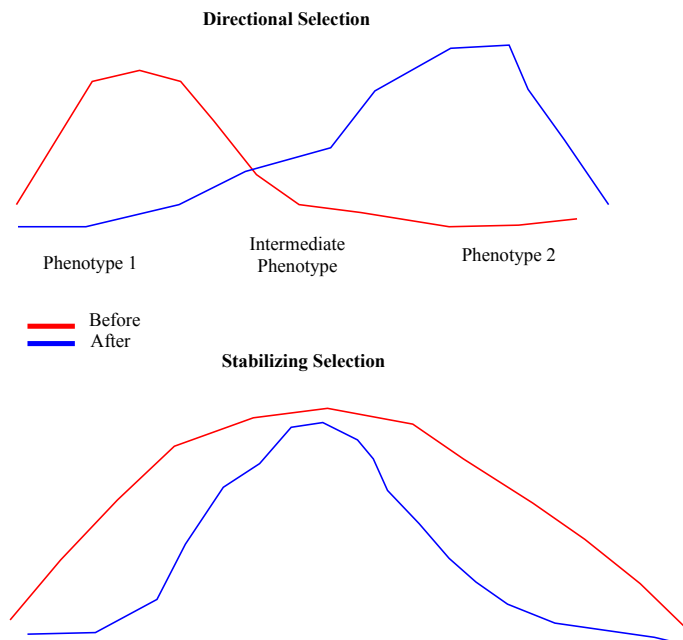
- In real-life genetics, the SAMIR assumptions of Hardy-Weinberg are too \_\_\_\_\_

### Selection

1. **Natural selection** is when organisms with genes that better allow them to survive produce more offspring

- The struggle for survival means that not everyone \_\_\_\_\_
  - Individuals with particular phenotypes will be more apt to survive and pass on their genes
- There are multiple types of selection
  - **Directional selection** moves alleles in one direction until they're fixed in the population or lost
    - **Fixed** alleles are found in every organism in the population
  - **Positive selection** brings favorable mutations to a higher frequency
  - **Purifying selection** removes harmful mutations
  - **Balancing selection** moves population to an equilibrium where both alleles are maintained in population

### **EXAMPLE:**



- **Fitness** is a measurement of how well an individual's genetic makeup contributed to \_\_\_\_\_ generations
  - **Absolute fitness** is the number of offspring an individual has
  - **Relative fitness** is the fitness of an individual relative to another individual

## New Alleles and Migration

2. Allelic frequencies are changed by the creation or introduction of \_\_\_\_\_ alleles

□ Mutation is one major way new alleles are created in a population

- **Mutation rate ( $\mu$ )** is the rate at which mutations occur in a population

- Can be used to calculate how frequently new alleles will arise

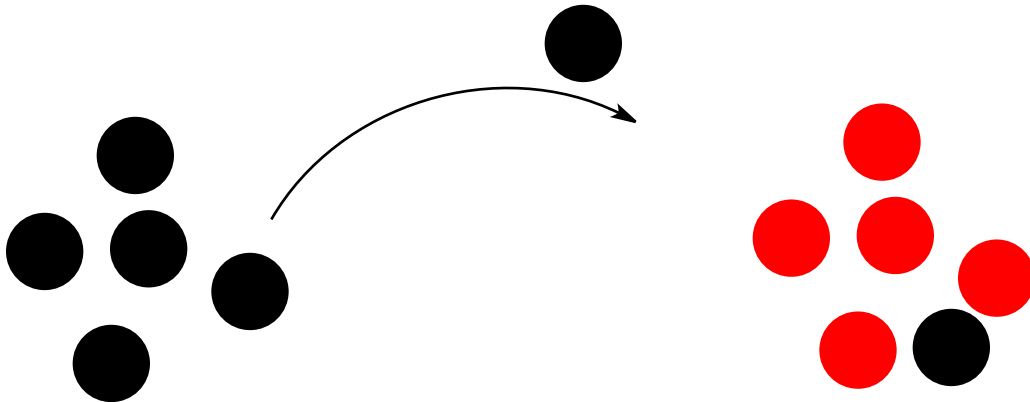
- Formula:  $\Delta q = \mu p$  calculates how the mutation rate on allele p causes a change in q freq.

3. **Migration (gene flow)** is the movement of individuals between \_\_\_\_\_

□ Creates a **genetic admixture** which is a mix of genes in individuals that arose from 1+ subpopulations

- Migration adds genetic variation to the population

**EXAMPLE:**

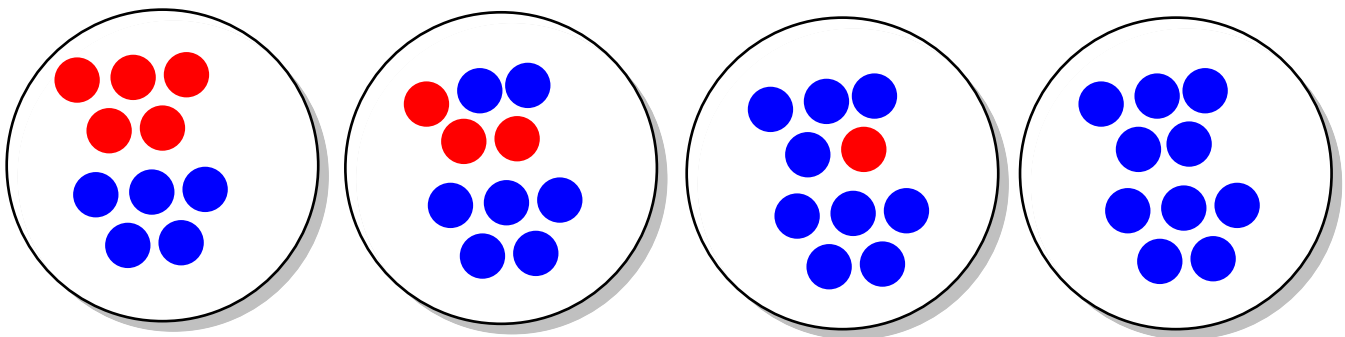


## Genetic Drift and Non-Infinite Populations

4. Populations are not infinite, which means gametes only contain a sample of alleles present in the parental gene pool

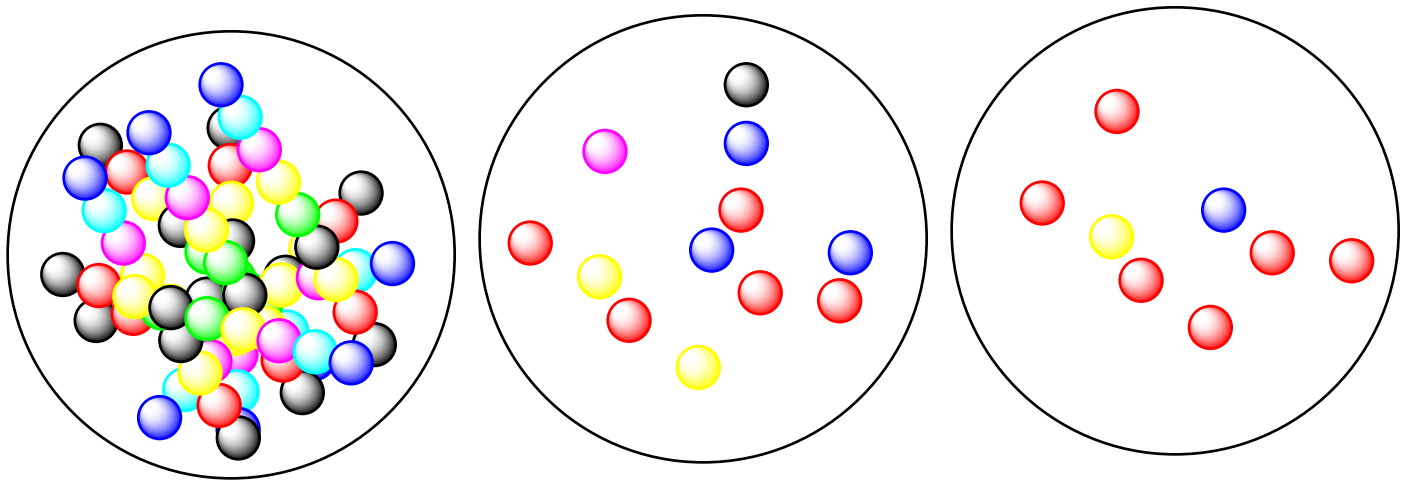
- Purely by chance, not all alleles will be passed onto the next \_\_\_\_\_
  - But, the more offspring that are produced, the more alleles will be passed on
- If the gametic sample is small (so small number of gametes are used to produce offspring),
  - Then, the greater the change that the gametes composition will deviate from the entire gene pool
  - **Sampling error** is a deviation from expected ratio due to limited sample size
- **Genetic drift** is a change in allelic frequency due to a random disappearance of genes in small populations
  - Higher in small populations, and when allelic frequencies are equal

**EXAMPLE:** Genetic drift over four generations



- Genetic drift can lead to fixation or loss of an \_\_\_\_\_
  - **Fixation** occurs when all individuals in a population are homozygous for one allele
  - Loss is when no individual in a population carries the allele
- Genetic drift can also be caused by two major occurrences in a population
  - **Founder effect** occurs when a new population of a much smaller size is formed by a founder
    - The founder doesn't carry every allele at the same frequency as the original population
  - **Bottleneck** occurs when there is a contraction in population size which reduces the variation of alleles
    - Can occur in one or over several generations

**EXAMPLE:** Example of bottleneck effect



## Non-random Mating

5. Non-random mating due to \_\_\_\_\_ occurs in every organism on Earth

□ **Assortative mating** occurs when individuals choose mates based phenotypes

- **Positive assortative mating** occurs when mates are chosen based on similar phenotypes

- **Negative assortative mating** occurs when mates are chosen based on dissimilar phenotypes

**EXAMPLE:** Female humans prefer the odor of males with different MHC alleles than their own



□ Isolation by distance can also cause non-random \_\_\_\_\_

- Two populations of the same species separated by large distances likely wont mate

- Therefore genetic variations begin to develop between the populations

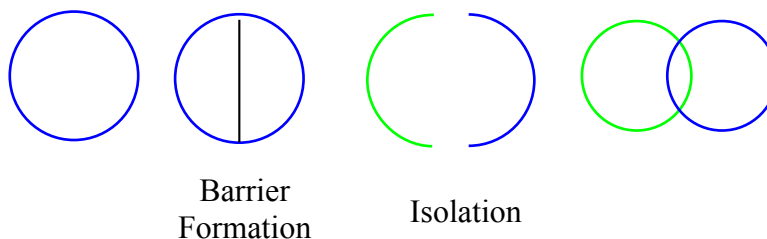
- **Speciation**, which is the creation of a new species, can occur

- Usually occurs upon reproductive isolation

- **Prezygotic** isolation are biological barriers that reduce breeding between populations

- **Postzygotic** isolation is due to infertility or inviability of hybrids created via interbreeding

**EXAMPLE:**



□ **Inbreeding**, which is the mating between relatives, also is a result of non-random mating

- Inbred individuals are much more likely to be homozygous for \_\_\_\_\_ recessive alleles
  - **Inbreeding depression** can lead to reduction in vigor and reproduction success
  - In plants, inbreeding through self-fertilization can often be positive
- **Inbreeding coefficient (F)** is the probability that 2 alleles in an individual trace back to the same ancestor
- Inbreeding is more common among small populations

**EXAMPLE:**

Relationship	Inbreeding Coefficient (F)
Father/Daughter	25%
Grandfather/Granddaughter	12.5%
Uncle/Niece	12.5
First Cousins	6.25%
Second Cousins	1.56