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The role of phenotypic fluctuation in evolution: Baldwin effect under multi-peaked landscape

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Abstract: Phenotypic fluctuations or phenotypic plasticity are common in various living organisms (e.g., stochasticity in cell or the solitary/gregarious phase of desert locust). Can phenotypic plasticity accelerate evolutionary rate? -Several studies addressed the question. At the first glance, phenotypic changes acquired during life cycle do not seem to affect evolutionary processes because only genotype, rather than phenotype, is heritable to the next generation. However, non-heritable phenotypes can be fixed into genotype through natural selection that acts on phenotypes, and thus can affect evolution. This process is called Baldwin effect [1,2]. However validity of this Baldwin effect is still controversial. Some of subsequent studies showed that phenotypic plasticity decelerates evolutionary rate [3,4], while others claimed that phenotypic plasticity accelerates evolution [5,6]. We study evolutionary population dynamics of a quantitative genetic model to evaluate the validity of the Baldwin effect under a multi-peaked fitness landscape. We provide analytical expressions of the evolutionary rate and of the average fitness over population. These results indicate that under a multi-peaked fitness landscape phenotypic fluctuation always accelerates evolutionary rate but decreases average fitness. We also show that as an extreme case of the trade-off relation, phenotypic fluctuation causes the error catastrophe, where population fails to concentrate a peak of fitness and thus to keep a high fitness value.

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