

LECTURE 3

Types of Dominance

- a) Simple dominance: -- phenotype of F₁ same as that of one of the parental types
- b) Incomplete dominance or semidominance:
 - (i) alleles contribute equally (additively) to phenotype; phenotype of heterozygote is intermediate between parental types
- c) Codominance: -- both alleles expressed independently; example is MN blood groups
- d) Lethal inheritance: three types (note wild-type [wt] vs mutant allele)
 - i) dominant lethals: organism dies, so difficult to carry out formal genetics; examples include lethals induced with X-rays, Huntington's chorea
 - ii) dominant genes: homozygous lethal, with phenotypic effects in heterozygote; examples include polydactyly/brachydactyly in humans; note the 2:1 phenotypic ratio in simulated F₂
 - iii) recessive lethals: also difficult to work with, requiring special techniques
 - (a) very common class, 4-6 (in heterozygous state) in diploid bisexual species
 - (b) taboos on consanguinity or consanguineous marriages a result
- e) Different allele interactions in same cross:
 - (i) Consider cross involving ABO and rh systems:

$$I^A/I^A; rh^-/rh^- \times I^B/I^B; rh^+/rh^+ \quad [P_1]$$

$$I^A/I^B; rh^+/rh^- \quad [F_1]$$

	I^A, rh^+	I^A, rh^-	I^B, rh^+	I^B, rh^-
I^A, rh^+	A positive	A positive	AB positive	AB positive
I^A, rh^-	A positive	A negative	AB positive	AB negative
I^B, rh^+	AB positive	AB positive	B positive	B positive
I^B, rh^-	AB positive	AB negative	B positive	B negative

$$A^+ = 3/16$$

$$A^- = 1/16$$

$$AB^+ = 6/16$$

$$AB^- = 2/16$$

$$B^+ = 3/16$$

$$B^- = 1/16$$

- (ii) probability of different genotypes and phenotypes
 - (iii) work backward to demonstrate power of the Mendelian cross and why it's still used today
- f) Other note: erythroblastosis fetalis, universal donor (O⁻), and universal acceptor (AB⁺)

Probability

Multiplicative rule: if two or more events are independent, the probability (chance) they will co-occur is the *product* of their separate probability of occurrence

applicable to both segregation and independent assortment, e.g.,

$$Aa \times Aa \quad p(A) = \frac{1}{2}, \quad p(a) = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$Aa;Bb \times Aa;Bb \quad p(A-) = \frac{3}{4} \quad p(aa) = \frac{1}{4}$$

$$p(B-) = \frac{3}{4} \quad p(bb) = \frac{1}{4}$$

$$\text{So.....} p(A-;B-) = 9/16, \text{ etc.} \quad \text{and} \quad p(AA;BB) = 1/16, \quad p(Aa;bb) = 1/8, \text{ etc.}$$

Useful for any situation where inheritance is (assumed) independent: examples...

- 1) Consider pentahybrid cross: $Aa; Bb; Cc; Dd; Ee \times Aa; Bb; Cc; Dd; Ee$
- a) probability of any genotype or phenotype (assume simple dominance)
 - b) estimate number of (total) genotypes and phenotypes
 - c) mix types of dominance: examples include...

Legend: $CC = \text{lethal}$ $Ald^1/Ald^1 = \text{aldolase 1}$ $BB = \text{black feathers}$
 $Cc+ = \text{creeper}$ $Ald^1/Ald^2 = \text{aldolase 1-2}$ $BB^1 = \text{"blue" feathers}$
 $c+c+= \text{wild-type}$ $Ald^2/Ald^2 = \text{aldolase 2}$ $B^1B^1 = \text{white feathers}$

$R- = \text{rose comb}$ $F- = \text{feathered legs}$
 $rr = \text{single comb}$ $ff = \text{"clean" legs}$

- (i) estimate number of genotypes, number of phenotypes, expected (specific) genotype and phenotypes in different crosses
- (ii) note situations where genes are interacting, sex-linkage, etcetera, will be considered later