

Temperature

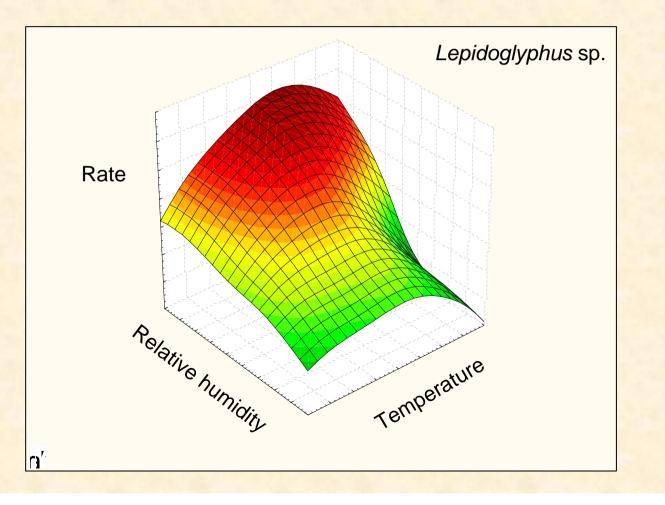
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Effect of conditions

▶ all conditions affect population growth via controlling metabolic processes in ectotherms

• temperature, humidity, day length, pH, etc.



Universal effect of temperature

- temperature affects population growth of ectotherms
- physiological time combination of time and temperature
- ▶ rate of metabolism increases approx. by 2.5x for every 10 °C

 $Q_{10} = 2.5$

universal temperature dependence:

- rate of metabolism *B*:

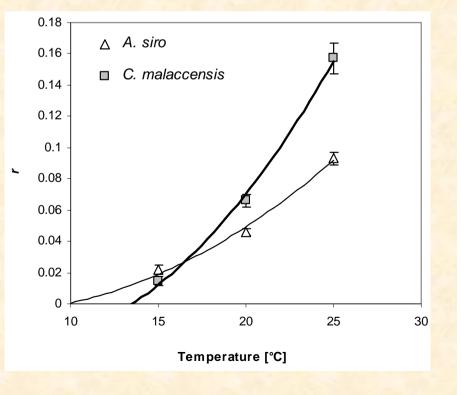
$$B \sim e^{-\beta/T}$$

- rate increases with body mass (M):

$$B \sim M^{\frac{3}{4}}$$

- biological time t_b :

$$t_b \sim M^{\frac{3}{4}} e^{-\beta/T}$$

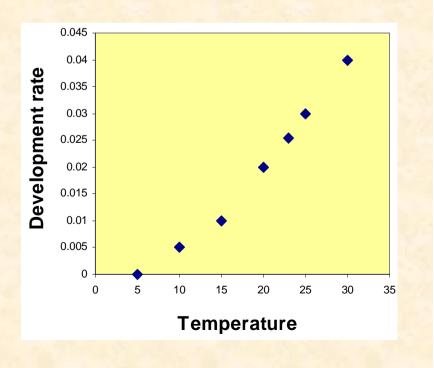


Linear model

• model is based on the assumption that development rate is a linear function of temperature T

- ▶ valid for the region of moderate temperatures (15-25°)
- at low temperatures organisms die due to coldness

D... <u>development time</u> (days) v... <u>rate of development</u> = 1/D T_{min} ... <u>lower temperature limit</u> - temperature at which development rate = 0



ET.. <u>effective temperature</u> .. developmental temperature between T and T_{min} S .. <u>sum of effective temperature</u> .. number of degree-days [°D] required to complete development

.. does not depend on temperature = D * ET

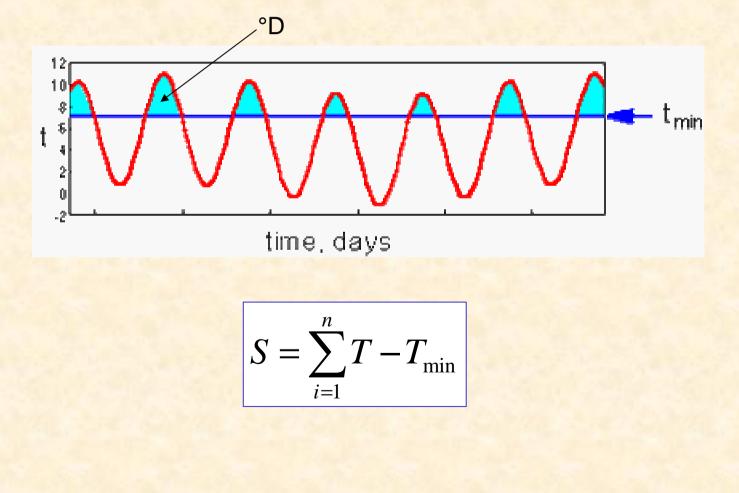
 T_{\min} and S can be estimated from the regression line of v = a + bT

$$T_{\min}: a+bT=0 \implies T_{\min}=-\frac{a}{b}$$

$$S: \quad S = D(T - T_{\min}) = D\left(T + \frac{a}{b}\right)$$
$$D = \frac{1}{v} = \frac{1}{a + bT} \implies S = \frac{T + \frac{a}{b}}{a + bT} \implies S = \frac{1}{b}$$

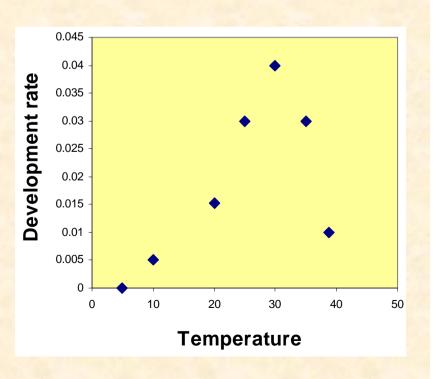
• sum of effective temperature (S) [°D] is equal to area under temperature curve restricted to the interval between current temperature (T) and T_{min}

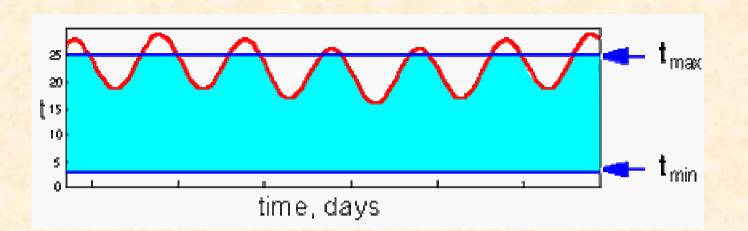
 biofix .. the date when degree-days begin to be accumulated



Non-linear models

- when development rate is a non-linear function of temperature
- ET.. developmental temperature between T_{\min} and T_{\max}
- at high temperatures organisms die due to overheating
- T_{max} .. upper temperature threshold - temperature at which development rate = 0





- several different non-linear models (Briere, Lactin, etc.)
- allow to estimate T_{\min} , T_{\max} and T_{opt} (optimum temperature)
- easy to interpret for experiments with constant temperature
- instead of using average day temperature, use actual temperature

Briere et al. (1999)

$$v = a \times T \times (T - T_{\min}) \times \sqrt{T_{\max} - T}$$

v ... rate of development (=1/D) T .. experimental temperature T_{\min} ... low temperature threshold T_{\max} ... upper temperature threshold a ... unknown parameter

Optimum temperature:

$$t_{opt} = \frac{4T_{\max} + 3T_{\min} + \sqrt{16T_{\max}^2 + 9T_{\min}^2 - 16T_{\min}T_{\max}}}{10}$$

parameters are estimated using non-linear regression

Lactin et al. (1995)

$$v = e^{\rho T} - e^{(\rho T_m - \frac{T_m - T}{\Delta})} + \phi$$

v .. rate of development T .. experimental temperature $T_{\rm m}, \Delta, \rho, \phi$.. unknown parameters

 T_{max} and T_{min} can be estimated from the formula:

$$0 = e^{\rho T} - e^{(\rho T_m - \frac{T_m - T}{\Delta})} + \phi$$

 $T_{\rm opt}$ can be estimated from the first derivative:

$$\frac{\partial v(T)}{\partial T} = \rho e^{\rho T} - \frac{1}{\Delta} e^{\rho T_m - \frac{T_m - T}{\Delta}}$$