A framework to quantify phenotypic and genotypic parallel evolution

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Abstract

The independent and repeated adaptation of populations to similar environments often results in the evolution of similar forms. This phenomenon creates a strong correlation between phenotype and environment and is referred to as parallel evolution. However, there is ongoing debate as to when we should call a system either phenotypically or genotypically 'parallel.' Here, we suggest a novel and simple framework to quantify parallel evolution at the genotypic and phenotypic levels. Our framework combines both traditional and new approaches to measure parallel evolution, and categorizes them into broad- and narrow-sense scales. We then apply this framework to coastal ecotypes of an Australian wildflower, *Senecio lautus*, that have evolved in parallel. Our findings show that *S. lautus* populations inhabiting similar environments have evolved strikingly similar phenotypes. These phenotypes have arisen via mutational changes occurring in different genes, although many share the same biological functions. Our work paves the way towards a common framework to study the repeated evolution of forms in nature.

Author summary

When organisms face similar ecological conditions, they often evolve similar phenotypic solutions. When this occurs in closely related taxa, it is referred to as parallel evolution. Systems of parallel evolution provide some of the most compelling evidence for the role of natural selection in evolution, as they can be used as natural replicates of the adaptation process. However, there is debate as to when we should call a system 'parallel'. This debate stems back to the mid 1900s, and although there have been multiple attempts within the literature to clarify terminology, controversy still remains. In this study, we propose a novel framework to quantify phenotypic and genotypic parallel evolution within empirical systems, partitioning parallelism into broad- and narrow-sense components. Our framework is applicable to non-model organisms and provides a common set of analyses to measure parallel evolution, enabling researchers to compare the extent of parallel evolution across different study systems. In turn, this helps to reduce confusion surrounding the term 'parallel evolution' at both the phenotypic and genotypic levels. We then apply our framework to two coastal ecotypes of an Australian plant, *Senecio lautus*. We show that similar phenotypes within each ecotype have evolved via mutational changes in different genes, though some are involved in similar biological functions. Our research not only helps to consolidate the field of parallel evolution, but paves the way to understanding the role of natural selection in the repeated evolution of similar phenotypes within nature.

Introduction

When populations independently and repeatedly adapt to similar environments, they often evolve similar phenotypes (Schluter, 2000). This has been observed in a wide variety of animal taxa (e.g., Johannesson *et al.*, 1993; Nosil *et al.*, 2002; Elmer *et al.*, 2010; Ravinet *et al.*, 2013; Soria-Carrasco *et al.*, 2014; Perreault-Payette *et al.*, 2017) and in some plants (e.g., Foster *et al.*, 2007; Trucchi *et al.*, 2017; Cai *et al.*, 2019; Konečná *et al.*, 2019). When independent populations evolve from similar initial conditions, this phenomenon is referred to as 'parallel evolution' (Schluter & Nagel, 1995; Bolnick *et al.*, 2018). The correlation that arises between phenotype and environment during parallel evolution provides strong evidence for the role of natural selection in creating new forms. This is because it is unlikely that similar phenotypes would have evolved multiple times purely by chance (Lenormand *et al.*, 2009, but see Losos, 2011). Systems of parallel evolution are unique as they provide natural replicates of the evolutionary process, enabling researchers to study the genetics and ecology of how adaptation proceeds in nature (Lenormand *et al.*, 2016). Such systems can also shed light on the level at which evolution is repeatable and predictable (Stern & Orgogozo, 2009; Blount *et al.*, 2018).

The evolution of similar phenotypes within the same environment can arise via independent and repeated selection on the same nucleotide site or gene (reviewed in Wood *et al.*, 2005; Christin *et al.*, 2010; Stern, 2013). Similar phenotypes can also arise by selection on entirely different genes, although often from the same functional pathway (e.g., Smith & Rausher, 2011; Kowalko *et al.*, 2013; Roda *et al.*, 2013b; Laporte *et al.*, 2015; Perreault-Payette *et al.*, 2017; Cassin-Sackett *et al.*, 2019). Here, different genetic routes are able to produce similar phenotypic outcomes across populations, even though selection does not act upon the same allele or gene. Within the literature there is controversy as to which level of biological organization (nucleotide site, gene, or biological function) should be viewed as genotypically 'parallel'. This makes it difficult to conceptualize both phenotypic and genotypic parallel evolution.

The debate surrounding the term parallel evolution remains sprightly but confusing (Haas & Simpson, 1946; Arendt & Reznick, 2008; Lenormand *et al.*, 2016; Stuart, 2019; Thompson *et al.*, 2019). Some researchers argue that *parallel* systems arise only when the same nucleotide site or gene is repeatedly involved in the evolution of similar phenotypes (Rosenblum *et al.*, 2014). However, others maintain that when similar phenotypes independently arise, they

should be classed as cases of parallel evolution regardless of the underlying genetics (e.g.,

Lim *et al.*, 2019). Some argue that the term *parallel* should be disregarded altogether and

replaced with *convergence* (Arendt & Reznick, 2008). Although there are also several

incompatible definitions of *convergent evolution* and *parallel evolution* (Stern, 2013), it is

generally accepted that *convergence* refers to the evolution of similar forms from distantly

related taxa, whereas *parallel* is the evolution of similar forms from similar initial conditions

in closely related taxa – terminology that we are also adopting here (Speed & Arbuckle,

2017; Bolnick *et al.*, 2018 but see Stern, 2013; Lenormand *et al.*, 2016). To reduce the

ensuing confusion when the term *parallel evolution* is used in isolation, some researchers

have proposed we should separate *parallel evolution*, or *parallelism*, into two distinct

components: the phenotype and the genotype (Elmer & Meyer, 2011).

Even though separating *parallel evolution* into phenotypic and genotypic components helps

reduce confusion, researches often implement different statistical approaches to measure

parallelism across different study systems. These different approaches can lead to different

interpretations of parallel evolution at the level of the phenotype and genotype (Bolnick *et*

al., 2018), which in turn makes it difficult to directly compare between studies. It becomes

evident we require common approaches to measure parallelism so researchers can not only

quantify the extent of parallel evolution within a given system, but also compare the amount

of parallelism between systems.

A framework to measure parallel evolution

We propose a novel and simple framework to measure phenotypic and genotypic parallel

evolution (Figure 1). Our framework synthesizes traditional and new approaches, and

partitions these measures of parallelism into the broad- and narrow-sense scales. This

partitioning allows researchers to gain information not only about the overall patterns within

a system but also the specific similarities of replicate populations. We show that different

measures of parallelism can reveal how natural selection creates patterns at different scales of

phenotypic and genotypic variation.

To characterize the extent of phenotypic and genotypic parallelism within a system, it is

necessary to rigorously demonstrate that populations adapting to similar environments

(collectively referred to as an ecotype) have arisen multiple times independently. We refer

the reader to our previous analyses of parallel evolution in *Senecio lautus* (Roda *et al.*, 2013b;

James *et al.*, 2020) and to systems such as the marine snail, *Littorina saxatilis* (Quesada *et*

al., 2007; Johannesson *et al.*, 2010; Bierne *et al.*, 2013; Butlin *et al.*, 2014; Pérez-Pereira *et*

al., 2017), and the threespine stickleback, *Gasterosteus aculeatus* (Colosimo *et al.*, 2005;

Chan *et al.*, 2010; Dean *et al.*, 2019; Marques *et al.*, 2019) where one can find some of the

strongest evidence for the independent origin of populations, and to the increasing number of

potential cases of parallel evolution in plants (Foster *et al.*, 2007; Ostevik *et al.*, 2012;

Trucchi *et al.*, 2017; Cai *et al.*, 2019; Konečná *et al.*, 2019; Knotek *et al.*, 2020).

Phenotypic parallel evolution. Researchers of parallelism traditionally ask to what extent

ecotypes are phenotypically distinct and which traits contribute to these differences (see

Bolnick *et al.*, 2018 for a detailed review of approaches). More recently, studies of

parallelism (e.g., Elmer *et al.*, 2014; Kusche *et al.*, 2015; Oke *et al.*, 2017; Stuart *et al.*, 2017;

Paccard *et al.*, 2019; Pilakouta *et al.*, 2019; Jacobs *et al.*, 2020) have shifted to also quantify

phenotypic similarities between each replicate population pair using geometric approaches

such as phenotypic change vector analysis (Collyer & Adams, 2007; Adams & Collyer, 2009;

Collyer *et al.*, 2015). Unfortunately, geometric approaches do not quantify overall differences

between ecotypes, so replicate pairs can show little parallelism yet contribute to strong

parallel phenotypic differences between ecotypes. To maximize the benefits of both methods

we propose to quantify phenotypic and genotypic parallelism with multiple approaches,

which can be classified at broad- and narrow-sense scales (Figure 1).

In the broad-sense, phenotypic parallelism quantifies the net contribution of all replicate

populations within each ecotype to the overall phenotypic differences between ecotypes

(Figure 1). It can be broken into two components: 'parallel ecotype', and 'parallel trait'.

'Parallel ecotype' describes the multivariate differences between ecotypes, such that a highly

parallel system would show no overlap in the trait space occupied by each ecotype. 'Parallel

trait' describes which univariate traits are different between ecotypes such that they can

easily predict the habitat in which an individual lives, from trait attributes alone. In the

narrow-sense, phenotypic parallelism quantifies and compares similarities between each

replicate population pair (which we have called 'parallel pair'). Narrow-sense parallelism

gives insight into which pairs are most similar to each other, and which pairs deviate from the

common trend within the system (Figure 1). These levels of phenotypic parallelism reveal

both the net contribution of replicate pairs to the general differences between ecotypes

(broad-sense), as well as the relative similarities in divergence between each replicate

population (narrow-sense).

Genotypic parallel evolution. Researchers of genotypic parallelism often measure the

proportion of shared outlier loci between replicate populations to ask whether the same

alleles or genes are responsible for the evolution of similar phenotypes (Wood *et al.*, 2005).

In most cases, this will be difficult because causal alleles might not be sampled (Catchen *et*

al., 2017; Lowry *et al.*, 2017; McKinney *et al.*, 2017), only their indirect linkage effects

might be detected by outlier loci (Hoban *et al.*, 2016), and random fixations can accumulate

between populations over time as genetic drift increases dissimilarity between population

pairs. If knowledge of causal alleles is available, then one must demonstrate that a given site

has been under repeated and independent selection in each replicate pair (Lee & Coop, 2017,

2019). Typically, these analyses are undertaken comparing individual replicate pairs (e.g.,

Roda *et al.*, 2013b; Lamichhaney *et al.*, 2017; Cassin-Sackett *et al.*, 2019), although some

studies detect broad, or 'global' outliers by comparing the aggregate of all populations within

each ecotype (e.g., Jones *et al.*, 2012; Kautt *et al.*, 2012). In the absence of repeated selection

on the same allele or gene, parallelism can be manifested at the functional level, such that

different genes under selection participating in the same predicted biological function

contribute to the pattern of phenotypic parallelism in a system. It is frequently asked whether

predicted biological functions are consistently enriched across independent populations

(Smith & Rausher, 2011; Kowalko *et al.*, 2013; Roda *et al.*, 2013b; Perreault-Payette *et al.*,

2017; Cassin-Sackett *et al.*, 2019). These analyses can inform us about how genotypically

parallel a system is at different scales of divergence, so we can also view genotypic parallel

evolution as broad-sense or narrow-sense (Figure 1).

Broad-sense genotypic parallelism quantifies the net contribution of all replicate populations

within each ecotype to the overall genetic differences between ecotypes (Figure 1). We can

measure it at different levels of biological organization: the nucleotide site, gene, and

biological function. For instance, a highly parallel nucleotide site would clearly differentiate

the two ecotypes. Such parallel alleles might have originated repeatedly and independently

gone to fixation in each population inhabiting similar habitats, or might have recurrently

increased in frequency from standing genetic variation. Broad-sense parallelism at the level

of the biological function asks which, if any, predicted functions are enriched with divergent

genes between the ecotypes. An enriched function might suggest it has been repeatedly
involved in adaptation across replicate populations.

On the other hand, narrow-sense genotypic parallelism quantifies which outlier nucleotide
sites and genes are the most similar across replicate pairs, and how similar the enriched
biological functions are for each pair (Figure 1). It asks which genetic differences distinguish
the ecotypes of each replicate pair and at what level of organization. Patterns of genotypic
divergence can be complex and create a mismatch between genotypic and phenotypic
parallelism. For instance, all replicate pairs might have biological functions that diverged in
parallel, but in each case recruiting different genes. This will lead to lack of genotypic
parallelism at the nucleotide site and gene level both in the broad- and narrow-sense. Such a
system can still be highly parallel at the phenotypic level. We expect this to be common when
parallel evolution occurs on complex traits via polygenic adaptation (Gompel &
Prud'homme, 2009; Ralph & Coop, 2010; Rosenblum *et al.*, 2014; Yeaman, 2015;
MacPherson & Nuismer, 2017).

Overall, our framework is particularly useful for systems with the repeated and independent
origin of populations, where pairs of ecotypes have adapted to contrasting environments.
Nevertheless, our framework can also be used for single origin systems containing multiple
secondary contacts with gene flow between ecotypes, or species. In this case, researchers can
still examine the dynamics of repeated population divergence and parallel maintenance of
species differences in the face of gene flow, but cannot interpret populations as being from
independent origins. Here, we examine the extent of phenotypic and genotypic parallel
evolution within an Australian wildflower species complex, *Senecio lautus*. We use both
broad- and narrow-sense measures and demonstrate the importance of quantifying parallelism
at these different scales of divergence.

The *Senecio lautus* species complex

The *Senecio lautus* species complex contains a variety of ecotypes adapted to contrasting
environments. The Dune and Headland ecotypes are of particular interest as they consist of
multiple parapatric Dune-Headland population pairs along the Australian coastline that are
often sister groups in the phylogeny (Roda *et al.*, 2013a; Melo *et al.*, 2019; James *et al.*,
2020). Despite the close geographic proximity between populations of a pair (i.e., ecotypes
within each locality), there is little to no gene flow between them, suggesting a large number

of independent and repeated origins (James *et al.*, 2020). There is a strong association
between overall morphology and habitat in this coastal system: Dune plants, colonizing the
sandy dunes, are erect with few branches, whereas Headland individuals grow on rocky
headlands and are prostrate with many branches (Figure 2D). Populations maintain their
phenotypes when grown in common garden conditions (Walter *et al.*, 2016, 2018a;
Wilkinson *et al.*, 2020), suggesting that phenotypic plasticity within the system is weak.
Previous work with *S. lautus* in common garden conditions has identified a suite of divergent
traits between Dune and Headland populations, which include characteristics related to plant
architecture and leaf morphology (Walter *et al.*, 2018a). However, we lack a comprehensive
characterization of how parallel the phenotypes and genotypes are within natural populations,
and how this affects divergence at the level of the ecotype and replicate population pair.

To assess the extent of phenotypic and genotypic parallelism in *S. lautus*, we used 22
populations: nine replicate Dune-Headland pairs, two allopatric Dune populations, and two
allopatric Headland populations. We first quantify how phenotypically distinct the Dune and
Headland ecotypes are, and which replicate pairs are the most phenotypically similar. We
then build on previous work (Roda *et al.*, 2013b) to ask whether similar genetic mechanisms
underlie these repeated phenotypes (i.e., repeated selection on the same nucleotide site, gene,
or biological function). In addition, we ask whether the variation in the extent of parallelism
can be attributed to non-stochastic factors, including levels of gene flow and within ecotypic
environmental variation.

Methods

Phenotypic parallelism

Sample collection. To quantify the extent of phenotypic parallelism within *S. lautus*, we
measured a suite of plant architecture and leaf morphology traits from 20 Dune and Headland
populations along the coast of Australia (n_{mean} = 30 individuals, n_{total} = 605; Figures 2A, 2B;
Table S1). These populations include eight Dune-Headland pairs along a continuum from
geographically parapatric to allopatric (four of which are sister taxa), as well as four
allopatric populations that do not have a parapatric pair (as inferred from previous
phylogenetic analyses; James *et al.*, 2020). We sampled mature (flowering) plants evenly
across the geographic range of each population, ensuring that each plant was more than one
meter apart. We measured six plant architecture traits (vegetative height, widest width,

narrowest width, main stem angle, main stem diameter, and secondary branch angle) and

eight leaf traits (area, perimeter, width, height, elongation, compactness, dissection and

circularity; defined in Table S2). All plant architectural traits were measured in the field, and

we sampled three secondary branch leaves per plant for leaf morphometric analysis in ImageJ

v1.51 (Schneider *et al.*, 2012). Leaves were scanned at 600 dpi on a CanoScan 9000F scanner

and ImageJ was used to automatically extract leaf shape characteristics. Some of the same

populations and traits have been previously measured in common garden conditions (Walter

et al., 2018a). Overall, phenotypes in the wild are highly correlated with those measured

under controlled conditions (Wilkinson *et al.*, 2020).

In ~11% of sampled plants, we were unable to measure all six plant architectural traits (such

as main stem diameter and main stem angle). In these cases, we took the average of the

population to impute the trait value for that individual. We ran the below analyses with and

without these individuals and obtained consistent results. We report the analyses undertaken

using the population means for the missing data. All phenotypic analyses were undertaken in

R v3.4.2 (R Core Team, 2017). Traits were log transformed and standardized to have a mean

of 0 and standard deviation of 1. We calculated pairwise correlations between all traits and

removed five traits with high correlations across all populations (>0.8; Table S2). These

correlated traits added minimal additional phenotypic information and are thus effectively

redundant.

Relative contributions of broad- and narrow-sense phenotypic parallelism

We initially assessed the relative contributions of broad- and narrow-sense phenotypic

parallelism within *S. lautus*. More specifically, we performed linear models at the

multivariate level of the ecotype (MANOVA: *traits = ecotype + pair + ecotype × pair*), as

well as the univariate level of each trait (ANOVA: *trait = ecotype + pair + ecotype × pair*)

and extracted the partial effect sizes (partial η^2; Langerhans & DeWitt, 2004) for each term in

the ANOVAs, (and Wilk's partial η^2 for the MANOVA) using the *etasq* function in the

heplots package (Fox *et al.*, 2018) in R. As these models require population pairs, we

excluded two Headland allopatric populations (H03 and H07) and two Dune allopatric

populations (D09 and D35). The partial effect size of the *ecotype* term denotes how much of

the phenotypic variation is explained by the overall differences between ecotypes, whereas

the *pair* and *interaction* terms indicate how much variation is unique to replicate pairs.

Therefore, when the effect size for the *ecotype* term is larger than the *pair* or *interaction*, this

indicates that broad-sense phenotypic parallelism might predominate over narrow-sense,

although there still might be a strong influence of differences between replicate pairs. After

assessing these relative contributions (at the level of the ecotype and trait), we further

explored the detailed patterns of broad- and narrow-sense phenotypic parallelism within *S.*

lautus.

Broad-sense phenotypic parallelism

Parallel ecotype. To ask whether ecotypes are phenotypically distinct within multivariate

space, we performed a one-way MANOVA (MANOVA: *traits = ecotype*) across the 20

Dune and Headland populations, where *traits* denotes the multivariate response variable of all

traits, and *ecotype* is a fixed effect of Dune or Headland. We also split traits into a plant

architectural and a leaf trait-set to ask whether phenotypic differences between ecotypes

depend on the trait category. To ask whether we can predict the ecotype each individual

belongs to, based on their phenotype, we performed K-means clustering with the Hartigan-

Wong algorithm (Hartigan & Wong, 1979). We used 25 random initial configurations and

retained the run with the smallest sums of squares of the individuals to their assigned cluster

center, and then calculated the proportion of individuals assigned to their correct ecotype. We

also performed a linear discriminant analysis across all traits to ask which linear trait

combination best explains the phenotypic differences between Dune and Headland ecotypes.

Parallel trait. To ask which univariate traits are the most parallel between the Dune and

Headland ecotypes we undertook three approaches: vote-counting, trait-by-trait linear

models, and R^2 analysis. As the vote-counting and linear model approaches require

population pairs, we again excluded the four allopatric populations (H03, H07, D09 and

D35). For vote-counting, we calculated the mean trait value for the Dune and Headland of

each replicate pair and asked whether there was a consistent increase or decrease in the trait

value for all replicate pairs (two-sided dependent-samples sign-tests). However, this vote-

counting approach ignores trait effect-size, and also has low statistical power when the

sample size (number of replicate pairs) is small. Therefore, we also used trait-by-trait linear

models (*trait = ecotype + pair + ecotype × pair*) to ask whether there was a significant main

effect of ecotype for each trait. To also quantify the extent of phenotypic parallelism between

ecotypes, we extracted the proportion of phenotypic variance explained by the ecotype term

(R^2) for each trait from one-way ANOVAs performed on the population means (see

Langerhans, 2018). Following Langerhans (2018), we considered a trait strongly parallel

when $R^2 \geq 0.50$, moderately parallel when $0.50 > R^2 \geq 0.33$, and weakly parallel when $R^2 <$

0.33. We then examined which traits were consistently viewed as parallel across each of the

three approaches.

Narrow-sense phenotypic parallelism

Parallel pair. To quantify the specific phenotypic similarities and differences between

replicate population pairs, we used Phenotypic Change Vector Analysis (PCVA; Collyer &

Adams, 2007; Adams & Collyer, 2009; Collyer *et al.*, 2015). Within multivariate phenotypic

space, PCVA quantifies both 1) the amount of divergence, and 2) the contribution of traits to

divergence between replicate pairs. The procedure is as follows: the phenotypic centroid

(multivariate mean) is calculated per population. For each population pair, their centroids are

connected with a vector. The length (L) of this vector quantifies how divergent the two

populations are – the longer the length, the more divergent. The difference in length (ΔL)

between vectors thus denotes the difference in the magnitude of divergence between two

replicate population pairs. The two pairs are considered parallel with regards to the

magnitude of their divergence if ΔL is not statistically different from zero ($\Delta L \approx 0$; Bolnick *et*

al., 2018).

The contribution of traits to divergence is measured by the angle between vectors (θ). A large

angle between two pairs ($\theta >> 0°$) suggests the traits contributing to population divergence

are quite different between the pairs. The contribution of traits is considered parallel when the

angle is not statistically different from zero ($\theta \approx 0°$). Using R code modified from Collyer &

Adams (2007), we calculated ΔL and θ for all pairwise comparisons between replicate pairs

and performed permutations to test for statistical significance (see *Supplementary R code* for

details). To ensure this analysis was robust and not dominated by a single trait, we repeated

the calculations of ΔL and θ nine times with removing a single trait each time. We observed

consistent results across all calculations, suggesting our results are not dominated by a single

trait (results not shown).

Genotypic parallelism

Sequencing and bioinformatics. To quantify the extent of genotypic parallelism within *S.*

lautus, we collected leaf samples from nine population pairs along the coast of Australia

($n_{mean} = 56$, $n_{total} = 1009$; Figures 2A, 2B; Table S1). DNA was extracted using a modified

CTAB protocol (Clarke, 2009). We created reduced representation (RAD) libraries by using

a two-enzyme Genotyping-by-Sequencing (GBS) approach (modified from Poland *et al.*,

2012), with Pst1 and Msp1. We created seven equimolar pools (192 individuals per pool),

which were size-selected on the BluePippin (2% DF Marker V1, 300-500bp; Sage Science).

Pooled libraries were sent to Beijing Genomics Institute (BGI) for sequencing on seven lanes

of the HiSeq4000, with 100bp paired-end sequencing.

BGI removed forward barcodes and quality filtered the raw reads to remove reads containing

Illumina adaptors, low quality reads (> 50% of bases < Q10), and reads with > 10% Ns. We

trimmed reverse barcodes with *TagCleaner* standalone v0.12 (Schmieder *et al.*, 2010). Reads

were mapped to the *S. lautus* reference PacBio genome v1.0 (Wilkinson *et al.*, 2020) with

BWA-MEM v0.7.15 (Li & Durbin, 2009; Li, 2013). *PicardTools* v2.7.0 (Broad Institute,

2019) was used to clean aligned reads and to add read groups (PCR duplicates were not

marked for removal). We jointly called all variant and invariant sites for each population with

FreeBayes v1.1.0 (Garrison & Marth, 2012). Using *VCFtools* v0.1.15 (Danecek *et al.*, 2011),

we retained sites if they were present in > 50% of individuals, had a minimum quality score

of 30, and a minimum minor allele count of 1. We then filtered for a minimum depth of 3 for

a genotype call. Individuals were removed if they contained > 40% missing data. We then

filtered for a maximum mean depth of 100, and a minimum mean depth of 10. We filtered for

missing data per population, removing sites if they contained > 50% of missing data within

each population. We refiltered for an overall missing data of 20%. Indels were removed with

vcflib (Garrison, 2016). We then filtered for population-specific Hardy Weinberg Equilibrium

using the *filter_hwe_by_pop.pl* script within *dDocent* (Puritz *et al.*, 2014). We filtered for an

overall minor allele count of 5, retaining 9,686 variable sites across all populations. See

James *et al.*, (2020) for further details on DNA extraction, library preparation and

bioinformatics.

Broad-sense genotypic parallelism

Parallel nucleotide site. We first assessed the relative contributions of broad- and narrow-

sense parallelism for each of the 9,686 sequenced SNPs across populations. More

specifically, we first used PLINK v1.9 (Purcell *et al.*, 2007) to normalize each SNP by

conducting a PCA and extracting the first eigenvector. For each SNP we then performed

linear models (ANOVA: *SNP = ecotype + pair + ecotype × pair*) and we extracted the

partial effect sizes (partial η^2) for each term in the model. As above, the partial effect size of

the *ecotype* term denotes how much of the variation for each SNP is explained by the overall

differences between ecotypes, whereas the *pair* and *interaction* terms indicate how much

variation is unique to replicate pairs. Therefore, when the effect size for the *ecotype* term is

larger than the *pair* or *interaction*, this indicates that broad-sense predominates over narrow-

sense. To plot these data as a frequency distribution, we calculated each SNP's distance from

a 1:1 line by subtracting the effect size for either the *pair* or *interaction* term from the *ecotype*

term in the model. Positive values indicate a larger contribution of broad- over narrow-sense

parallelism, and vice versa for negative values.

After assessing these relative contributions, we further explored the detailed patterns of

broad-sense parallelism at the level of the nucleotide site. To this end, we combined a number

of approaches to detect outliers between the Dune and Headland ecotypes. To ask which

nucleotide sites distinguish the ecotypes (overall Dune vs Headland), we undertook two

approaches: 1) detection of outliers comparing all Dune populations vs all Headland

populations, and 2) detection of outliers separately for each Dune-Headland pair, and then

asked whether there were concordant allele frequency differences across all pairs.

Approach 1: To detect broad-sense outliers between the ecotypes, we undertook three outlier

detection methods: the top 1% from the distribution of F_{ST} values, the top 1% from the

distribution of cluster separation scores (CSS), and those SNPs identified by *BayeScan* (Foll

& Gaggiotti, 2008). To remove low frequency variants (Bhatia *et al.*, 2013), we filtered this

dataset for MAF 0.05, retaining 9,269 SNPs. F_{ST} per SNP (Weir & Cockerham, 1984) was

calculated within *VCFtools* (Danecek *et al.*, 2011), and we selected the top 1%

(corresponding to $F_{ST} > 0.353$, which also corresponds to an average change in allele

frequency, Δp, of 0.47, SD = 0.080; Figure S1A). We calculated the cluster separation score

(CSS; Jones *et al.*, 2012) per SNP using a custom R script (see *Supplementary R code* for

details). CSS is a genetic distance-based measure that quantifies the average divergence

between Dune and Headland clusters, after accounting for the variance within each ecotype.

It ranges between 0 and 1, with higher values indicating a more distinct separation between

Dune and Headland ecotypes. We selected the top 1% of CSS (corresponding to CSS >

0.523, an average Δp of 0.45, SD = 0.087; Figure S1B). We also detected outliers in

BayeScan v2.1 (Foll & Gaggiotti, 2008). *BayeScan* implements a reversible-jump MCMC

algorithm to estimate posterior odds comparing a model with and without selection for each

SNP. We used default parameters with a prior odd of ten, meaning the neutral model is ten

times more likely than the model with selection (as recommended for datasets of our size;

Foll & Gaggiotti, 2008). Results were robust to increasing the prior odds to 100 (data not

shown). We categorized SNPs as highly differentiated if they contained a posterior

probability > 0.91, corresponding to a Bayes Factor of > 10, and corresponding to an average

Δp of 0.38, SD = 0.121. For approach 1, we classified SNPs as outliers if they were detected

in at least two of the three methods (Figure S1C).

Approach 2: To detect more subtle signals of broad-sense outliers between the ecotypes, we

asked whether there were concordant allele frequency changes across replicate pairs.

Specifically, we first detected outliers separately for each Dune-Headland pair (see methods

below). If a nucleotide site was highly differentiated in at least one pair, we compared allele

frequencies across all pairs for the site, and we asked whether the Δp for each replicate pair

was in the same direction across all pairs (tested using two-sided dependent-samples sign-

tests in R). Our overall best candidates for broad-sense SNP parallelism are those that overlap

between the two methods, i.e., they show high differentiation between ecotypes (approach 1),

with concordant allele frequency changes across replicate pairs (approach 2).

To ask whether the candidate outliers from any of the approaches above fall within genic or

non-genic regions, we mapped a previously created *S. lautus* transcriptome (Liu, 2014) to the

reference PacBio genome v1.0 (Wilkinson *et al.*, 2020) with *minimap2* v2.17 (Li, 2018)

using default parameters. We considered each transcript a separate gene, which included all

isoforms. As the transcriptome excludes introns, we still considered SNPs mapped to the

reference genome that fall between two segments of the same transcript as a genic SNP. All

other SNPs were considered non-genic, which are expected to include variants in regulatory

and repetitive regions as well as in genic regions with unknown homologous genes in other

plants. We excluded SNPs that had > 1 gene mapping to it.

Parallel gene. We assessed the relative contributions of broad- and narrow-sense parallelism

for each gene across populations. We again normalized the data, retaining the first

eigenvector for each gene. For each gene we then performed linear models (ANOVA: *gene =*

ecotype + pair + ecotype × pair) and we extracted the partial effect sizes (partial η^2) for each

term in the model. We again plotted this as a frequency distribution (see above for details).

After assessing these relative contributions, we further explored the detailed patterns of broad

parallelism at the level of the gene according to the outlier analysis above. More specifically,

we considered a gene an outlier if it harbored at least one outlier SNP according to the two

above approaches (i.e., showed high differentiation between ecotypes (approach 1), with

concordant allele frequency changes across replicate pairs (approach 2)). We asked whether

the broad-sense nucleotide-site outliers were located across multiple genes or the same gene.

To assign orthologous genes, we used *BLASTx* (Altschul *et al.*, 1990) to obtain a RefSeq code

(Pruitt, 2004) for each *S. lautus* gene. We searched the RefSeq protein database for

Arabidopsis thaliana proteins that match our target genes using an E-value threshold of $< 10^{-6}$

. We used the web-based version of *DAVID* v6.8 (Huang *et al.*, 2009b; a) to obtain the

predicted functional annotation of each *S. lautus* gene sequenced in this work.

Enriched biological function. To ask whether the outliers were enriched for any functional

categories, we used *DAVID* to conduct a gene-enrichment analysis using functional

annotation clustering. Functional annotation clustering groups similar functional terms into

clusters to avoid redundant annotations. We considered a cluster as enriched if at least one

category within the cluster had a P-value < 0.05. This P-value is the EASE score, a modified

Fisher Exact P-value. In addition, we applied more stringent criteria for selecting enriched

clusters (Benjimani-adjusted P < 0.05 and False Discovery Rate < 1). The *Arabidopsis*

thaliana genome was used as a genetic background.

Narrow-sense genotypic parallelism

Parallel nucleotide site. We asked which nucleotides sites are highly differentiated (i.e.,

outliers) in each replicate pair, and whether the same nucleotide sites are outliers across

multiple pairs (i.e., across multiple localities). We first filtered each separate pair for MAF

0.05, retaining between 5,513 and 8,875 SNPs per pair (mean = 7,461 SNPs; SD = 1,038). As

above, we identified outliers for each replicate pair using a combination of F_{ST}, CSS, and

BayeScan. Instead of selecting the top 1% of F_{ST} and CSS values (which is highly dependent

on the number of sampled SNPs) we chose stringent cut-offs of F_{ST} and CSS > 0.95. Within

BayeScan, we considered SNPs with a posterior probability > 0.91 as highly differentiated,

which corresponds to a Bayes Factor > 10. We considered a SNP an outlier if it was detected

in at least two of the approaches. We used custom R scripts to calculate the overlap of

outliers across replicate pairs. To ask whether the outliers shared between pairs were greater

than expected by chance, we used a hypergeometric distribution function, *phyper*, within R to

evaluate the likelihood of sharing outliers between localities.

Parallel gene. As above, we considered a gene to be an outlier if it harbored at least one

differentiated SNP, and used *DAVID* to obtain the functional annotation of each gene. We

again used a hypergeometric distribution to ask whether shared outlier genes between

localities were greater than expected by chance.

Parallel biological function. For each replicate pair, we conducted a gene-enrichment

analysis using functional annotation clustering in *DAVID* (as described above). For each pair

we selected clusters containing at least one significantly enriched functional term (P-value <

0.05. This P-value is the EASE score, a modified Fisher Exact P-value). We then compared

these enriched clusters across pairs to ask whether any biological functions were repeatedly

enriched across pairs. We used a two-sided dependent-samples sign-test to ask if the number

of enriched pairs per predicted functional category differed from chance. We compared the

distributions of the proportions of shared outlier nucleotide sites, outlier genes and enriched

biological functions across pairs using a two-sided X^2-test with continuity correction in R

using the *prop.test* function. In addition, we applied more stringent criteria for selecting

enriched clusters (Benjimani-adjusted P < 0.05 and FRD < 1), and also compared these

clusters across replicate pairs.

Variation in phenotypic parallelism

We asked whether the variation in phenotypic parallelism within the system (i.e., differences

in divergence (ΔL) and the contribution of traits (θ) between replicate pairs) could be

explained by demographic factors. All analyses were undertaken in R. Specifically, we used

gene flow estimates from James *et al.,* (2020) to ask whether gene flow constrains

divergence, where we predict pairs with higher gene flow to be more phenotypically similar

(linear model: *phenotypic length (L) = gene flow*; Table S3). As most pairs experience

minimal gene flow and are effectively allopatric, we do not expect gene flow to be a major

constraining force for most population pairs. We also used divergence time estimates from

James *et al.*, (2020) to ask whether older pairs show more phenotypic divergence than

younger pairs as they have experienced more genetic drift over time (linear model:

phenotypic length (L) = divergence time; Table S3). We also reasoned that populations

adapting to more contrasting environments should have greater phenotypic differences (linear

model: *phenotypic length (L) = environmental distance*; Table S3). We used environmental

distances from previous work in *S. lautus* (see Roda *et al.*, 2013b). In addition, we asked

whether pairs that were more phenotypically similar (ΔL and θ) shared more outlier

nucleotide sites, genes, and biological functions using Mantel tests (Mantel, 1967) with 999
permutations.

Results

Relative contributions of broad- and narrow-sense phenotypic parallelism

At the multivariate level of the ecotype (MANOVA: *traits = ecotype + pair + ecotype ×*
pair), the partial effect size of the ecotype term (Wilks partial $\eta^2 = 0.86$) was larger than both
the pair (Wilks partial $\eta^2 = 0.23$; Figure S3) and the interaction term (Wilks partial $\eta^2 = 0.19$;
Figure 2C). At the univariate level of the trait, the *ecotype* effect size was larger than both the
pair (Figure S3) and interaction term (Figure 2C) for most traits (i.e., more data points above
the dotted line than below, see Table S4 for details). The larger effect sizes for the ecotype
terms suggest that the phenotypic variation within the system is mainly explained by
differences between ecotypes rather than replicate pairs, suggesting that broad-sense
phenotypic differences between ecotypes might predominate over narrow-sense in *S. lautus*.

Broad-sense phenotypic parallelism

Parallel ecotype. We found striking differences between the mean Dune and Headland
phenotypes for both plant architecture and leaf characteristics (illustrated in Figure 2D). In
multivariate space, Dune and Headland ecotypes clearly clustered into two distinct groups
(Figure 2E; Pillai's Trace = 0.73, $F_{1, 603} = 175.13$, $P < 2.2 \times 10^{-16}$). This pattern held true
when traits were separated into plant architecture (Figure S2A; Pillai's Trace = 0.63, $F_{1, 603} =$
202.42, $P < 2.2 \times 10^{-16}$) and leaf categories (Figure S2B; Pillai's Trace = 0.61, $F_{1, 603} =$
233.15, $P < 2.2 \times 10^{-16}$). Across all traits, K-means clustering analysis correctly assigned 95%
of Dune individuals, and 87% of Headland individuals into the correct cluster, further
suggesting the majority of individuals within an ecotype are more phenotypically similar than
between ecotypes. When traits were split into plant architecture and leaf, these numbers were
slightly reduced. For plant architecture traits alone, 91% of Dunes and 82% of Headlands
were assigned to the correct cluster. For leaf traits, 93% of Dunes and 78% of Headlands
were correctly assigned.

We performed a linear discriminant analysis (LDA) on all traits to ask which linear
combination of traits best explains the phenotypic differences between Dune and Headland
ecotypes. The LDA was strongly loaded by leaf area and secondary branch angle, followed

by leaf dissection, leaf circularity, and widest width of the plant (Figure 3C). All traits were

loaded in the same direction, except for widest width, leaf dissection, and leaf circularity. The

LDA suggests that divergence between ecotypes is multivariate and has occurred on the

majority of measured traits, and that a single trait does not dominate the phenotypic

differences between ecotypes.

Parallel trait. We first used vote-counting to quantify whether the traits in the Dune and

Headland populations of each pair have evolved in the same direction. For all traits, at least

six of the eight pairs evolved in parallel (Figure 3A). Four of the nine traits had all eight pairs

evolving in the same direction (S-statistic = 8, P = 0.0078), and three traits had seven pairs

evolving in the same direction (S-statistic = 7, P = 0.035). Trait-by-trait linear models

revealed a significant main effect of ecotype for each trait (Table S4), suggesting there are

differences between Dune and Headland populations for all traits. The proportion of

phenotypic variance explained by the ecotype term (R^2) for linear models with population

means revealed six strongly parallel traits ($R^2 \geq 0.50$), one moderately parallel trait ($0.50 > R^2$

≥ 0.33), and two weakly parallel traits ($R^2 < 0.33$; Figure 3B). Five traits (vegetative height,

main stem diameter, secondary branch angle, leaf area and leaf elongation) were consistently

identified as parallel across each of the three approaches, three traits (widest width, main

stem angle and leaf circularity) were parallel using two of the approaches, and one trait (leaf

dissection) was parallel using only one approach (see Table S5 for more details).

Overall, we observed strong broad-sense phenotypic parallelism within *S. lautus* at the level

of both the ecotype and trait. To address whether each replicate pair is phenotypically similar,

we next asked whether the phenotypic differences between Dune and Headlands were

consistent across replicate pairs.

Narrow-sense phenotypic parallelism

Parallel pair. We used Phenotypic Change Vector Analysis (PCVA) to ask how parallel

each replicate pair is in terms of both the magnitude of divergence, and the contribution of

traits to that divergence. Within multivariate phenotypic space, there were different levels of

divergence (ΔL) between replicate pairs (Figures 4A, 4B). Considering all traits, the mean ΔL

($\pm SE$) between pairs was 1.7 ± 0.15. Out of the 28 pairwise comparisons, we only observed

nine statistically parallel comparisons (i.e., $\Delta L \approx 0$; 32.1% of pairwise comparisons; Table

S6). Therefore, most population pairs have different amounts of divergence between the

Dune and Headland populations. When we separately analyzed traits as two categories (plant

architecture and leaf shape), we captured a signal of parallel divergence across a greater

number of replicate pairs (Figures S4, S5). We observed ten statistically parallel comparisons

for plant architecture traits (mean ΔL 1.0 $\pm$ 0.12; Table S7), and thirteen statistically parallel

comparisons for leaf traits (mean ΔL 0.93 $\pm$ 0.14; Table S8).

The contribution of traits to divergence (θ) was quite variable across pairs (Figures 4A, 4C).

Out of the 28 pairwise comparisons, only one angle was parallel, i.e., $\theta \approx 0°$ (3.6% of

pairwise comparisons; Table S9), indicating that a different contribution of traits is involved

in the divergence between most pairs. The mean angle ($\pm$SE) between population pairs was

39.5 $\pm$ 2.1°; all angles were acute, with a maximum of 62.8°. When traits were split into plant

architecture and leaf categories, we again captured a stronger signal of phenotypic parallelism

for both categories. We observed nine statistically parallel angles for plant architecture traits

(mean angle 29.8 $\pm$ 3.0°; Table S10) and four statistically parallel for leaf traits (42.6 $\pm$ 3.4°;

Table S11).

Overall, narrow-sense phenotypic parallelism (i.e., the similarities between replicate pairs)

was weak within the system. Most pairs had different magnitudes of divergence (ΔL), with

different contribution of traits to divergence (θ).

Broad-sense genotypic parallelism

Parallel nucleotide site. The relative contributions of broad- and narrow-sense parallelism

revealed that very few sampled SNPs explained more variance between ecotypes than

between pairs (Figures 5A, 5C, S6A, S6C). Specifically, only 6.3% of sampled SNPs

contained a partial effect size of the ecotype term that was larger than the interaction term

(i.e., those above the dashed line in Figure 5A which are also > 0 in Figure 5C). This

dramatically decreases to 0.68% when we only consider SNPs with partial effect sizes > 0.1.

This indicates that parallel evolution at the level of the nucleotide site within the system is

largely predominated by differences between replicate pairs, suggesting that adaptation in

each pair is occurring via different SNPs.

We identified 93 sites that were highly differentiated between Dune and Headland

populations (~1% of sequenced SNPs). These SNPs were considered broad-sense outliers

comparing all Dune vs all Headland populations (approach 1). Fifty-four of the 93 SNPs fall

within genic regions, whereas 39 are in non-genic regions. However, we must note our GBS data is biased towards genic regions (due to the enzymes preferentially cutting within gene-rich regions). When considering outliers detected within each replicate pair that contained concordant allele frequency differences across pairs (approach 2), we detected 15 parallel nucleotide sites (0.16% of SNPs; Figure S7). These 15 SNPs had concordant allele frequency differences in either all nine (S-statistic = 9, P = 0.004), or eight (S-statistic = 8, P = 0.04) replicate pairs. Nine of these SNPs fall within genic regions, whereas six are in non-genic regions. Five SNPs were detected as outliers in both approaches (three genic, two non-genic; Figure 6A; red dots in Figure 5A). These five nucleotide sites are considered the best candidates for broad-sense parallelism as they show both high differentiation between ecotypes, with concordant allele frequency changes in each replicate pair. The average difference in allele frequency between Dune and Headlands for the three genic SNPs was 0.55 (SD = 0.096), whereas the average for the two non-genic SNPs was 0.57 (SD = 0.107). See Figure S8 for a summary of broad-sense phenotypic parallelism at the level of the nucleotide site.

Parallel gene. The relative contributions of broad- and narrow-sense parallelism at the level of the gene revealed that very few genes explained more variance between ecotypes than between pairs (Figures 5B, 5D, S6B, S6D). More specifically, only 6.3% of SNPs contained a partial effect size of the ecotype term that was larger than the interaction term (i.e., those above the dashed line in Figure 5A which are > 0 in Figure 5C). Although this number dramatically decreases to 1.4% when we only consider genes which have a partial effect sizes > 0.1. This indicates that differences between replicate pairs largely predominates parallel evolution at the level of the gene within the system, suggesting that adaptation in each pair is likely occurring at different genes.

Of the five candidate outlier SNPs identified above using the outlier approach (i.e., those showing high differentiation between ecotypes in approach 1 and also concordant allele frequency chances across replicate pairs in approach 2), the three genic SNPs fall within three separate genes, two of which have homologs within *Arabidopsis* (Appendix S1; red dots in Figure 5B). These two genes encode a galactose oxidase/kelch repeat superfamily protein (*AT5G04420*; Figure 6A first panel) and a basic salivary proline-rich-like protein (*AT5G14540*; Figure 6A last panel). The proteins are both located in the cytosol and are both widely expressed in structures including the leaves, stem, reproductive organs, roots, and

seeds (Klepikova *et al.*, 2016). Considering approach 1 and 2 separately, the 54 outlier genic

SNPs detected in approach 1 fall in 49 separate genes, of which 48 have homologs within

Arabidopsis. The majority of these genes have functions in the nucleus, cytoplasm, plasma

membrane, mitochondria and chloroplast, and are involved in processes including ion

transport, transcription, response to heat, response to water deprivation, DNA repair and

embryo development (see Appendix S1 for details of each gene). For approach 2, the nine

outlier genic SNPs from approach 2 fall in nine separate genes, of which seven have

homologs within *Arabidopsis*. These genes have functions in the nucleus, cytoplasm, plasma

membrane and mitochondria, and are involved in processes including ion transport,

aminoacylation, embryo development and DNA repair (see Appendix S1 for details of each

gene). See Figure S8 for a summary of broad-sense phenotypic parallelism at the level of the

gene.

Parallel biological function. Because we only sampled two candidate broad-sense outlier

genes that had predicted proteins, we did not perform an enrichment analysis on them.

However, we performed enrichment analysis on 1) the 54 genes from approach 1 (of which

48 contained *Arabidopsis* protein homologs), and 2) the nine genes from approach 2 (of

which seven contained *Arabidopsis* protein homologs). For approach one, the category of

helicases (UniProtKB keywords) was significantly enriched (P = 0.0344; P-value is the

EASE score, a modified Fisher Exact P-value). When using the more stringent approach by

considering clusters to be enriched if Benjimani-adjusted P < 0.05 and FRD < 1, there were

no enriched categories. The functions of the genes within this helicase category are involved

in DNA replication, recombination and repair, and often associated with tolerance to drought

and salinity in plants (Owttrim, 2006). There were no significantly enriched functions with

approach 2.

Narrow-sense genotypic parallelism

Parallel nucleotide site. We detected highly differentiated nucleotide sites (i.e., outliers)

between the Dune and Headland of each locality (i.e., for each replicate pair), and compared

how many outlier SNPs were common between all pairwise comparisons of replicate pairs.

On average, 157 outlier SNPs (SD = 74.5) were shared between two replicate pairs, and for

each pairwise comparison the shared SNPs were greater than expected by chance (Table

S12), This suggests some degree of narrow-sense parallelism at the level of the nucleotide

site. We detected six nucleotide sites that were outliers in seven pairs (Figure 6B), however,

there were no outlier SNPs common to all nine pairs, suggesting that even though there are

common outliers between individual pairs, this does not translate to common outliers across

the system as a whole. This is because within narrow-sense genotypic parallelism, a parallel

nucleotide site across all pairs has to be separately detected as an outlier in each replicate

pair. Conversely, a broad-sense outlier may reflect strong ecotypic differentiation even if

some nucleotide sites are not statistical outliers in every replicate pair.

Parallel gene. We detected highly differentiated genes between the Dune and Headland of

each locality (i.e., for each replicate pair), and compared how many of these outlier genes

were common between all pairwise comparisons of replicate pairs. On average, 124 outlier

genes (SD = 54.6) were shared between two replicate pairs. The shared outlier genes between

all pairwise comparisons were greater than expected by chance, except for one comparison

(D14-H15 vs D32-H12; Table S13). Thirty-nine genes were outliers in at least eight or nine

replicate pairs (Figure 6B), of which 36 contained homologs in *Arabidopsis*. These genes

have functions in the nucleus, cytoplasm, plasma membrane, chloroplast, vacuole and

endoplasmic reticulum, and are involved in processes including ion transport, transcription,

seed development, response to auxin, response to heat, response to salt stress, embryo

development and cell growth (see Appendix S1 for details on each gene).

Parallel biological function. For each replicate pair we conducted a gene-enrichment

analysis using outlier genes to ask whether any biological functions were enriched and

whether the same functions were repeatedly enriched across replicate pairs. Across all pairs

there were 17 enriched functions (Figure 6C; Table S14). No function was repeatedly

enriched in all nine replicate pairs, although two functions (*chloroplast* and *nucleotide-*

binding/ATP-binding; UniProtKB keywords) were enriched across eight replicate pairs, this

being greater than expected by chance (S-statistic = 8, P = 0.04).

Within the *chloroplast* category, the majority of outlier genes across pairs have functions in

the chloroplast, cytosol, mitochondria, nucleus, vacuole and the cell wall, and are involved in

processes including oxidation reduction, response to light, translation, proteolysis, protein

phosphorylation and protein folding. See Appendix S2 for details on each gene within the

chloroplast category and the number of replicate pairs the genes were detected as an outlier.

This *chloroplast* category also contains three genes that encode for ABCB proteins

(ABCB19, ABCB20, ABCB21, which are outliers in at least four replicate population pairs).

ABCBs function in transporting the hormone auxin, which regulates plant growth and

development (Cho & Cho, 2013). Auxin plays a key role in a plants ability to respond to

gravity (Strohm *et al.*, 2012), and seems to be a largely responsible for the overall prostrate

and erect phenotypes within the system (Wilkinson *et al.*, 2020). Within the *nucleotide-*

binding/ATP-binding category, the majority of outlier genes across pairs have functions in the

chloroplast, nucleus, plasma membrane, cytosol, mitochondria, cytoplasm, and are involved

in processes including protein phosphorylation, protein folding, transcription,

aminoacylation, ion transport, and response to stress. See Appendix S3 for details on each

gene within the *nucleotide/ATP-binding* category and the number of replicate pairs the genes

were detected as an outlier.

Across the nine replicate pairs, the distribution of the proportion of shared outlier nucleotide

sites was significantly different to the outlier genes ($X^2 = 279.65$, df = 8, $P < 2.2 \times 10^{-16}$), and

biological functions ($X^2 = 361.95$, df = 8, $P < 2.2 \times 10^{-16}$). The distributions of the genes and

biological functions were not significantly different across the nine replicate pairs ($X^2 = 14.52$,

df=8, $P = 0.069$). When using the more stringent approach by considering clusters to be

enriched if Benjimani-adjusted $P < 0.05$ and the False Discovery Rate < 1, the two functional

categories that were enriched across the most number of replicate pairs were still the

chloroplast category and the *nucleotide-binding/ATP-binding* category (Table S15),

suggesting these results are quite robust.

Variation in phenotypic parallelism

Gene flow did not constrain phenotypic divergence, as there was no relationship between

levels of gene flow and the lengths of phenotypic vectors (L) between ecotypes within a

locality for the Dune to Headland gene flow ($F_{1,6} = 0.007$, $P = 0.934$, $R^2 = 0.001$), Headland

to Dune gene flow ($F_{1,6} = 1.17$, $P = 0.321$, $R^2 = 0.163$), or absolute gene flow ($F_{1,6} = 0.061$, P

$= 0.463$, $R^2 = 0.092$). There was also no relationship between divergence time between

ecotypes and L within a locality ($F_{1,6} = 0.321$, $P = 0.592$, $R^2 = 0.051$). Environmental distance

did not relate to how phenotypically divergent (θ) a population pair was ($F_{1,3} = 0.046$, $P =$

0.843, $R^2 = 0.015$), although we treat these data with caution due to low sample size of the

environmental data (as environmental data were only available for five localities). Population

pairs that were more phenotypically similar (i.e., smaller ΔL) did not share more outlier

SNPs, genes or biological functions (Mantel test SNPs: r = -0.215, P = 0.894; Mantel test

genes: r = -0.164, P = 0.835, Mantel test biological functions: r = -0.179, P = 0.837).

Population pairs with similar contribution of traits to divergence (i.e., smaller θ) also did not

share more outlier SNPs, genes, or biological functions (Mantel test SNPs: r = -0.493, P =

0.989; Mantel test genes: r = -0.347, P = 0.865; Mantel test biological functions: r = -0.337, P

= 0.93).

Discussion

We have developed an integrative framework to measure parallel evolution at the phenotypic

and genotypic levels. Our approach aims to quantity the overall variation between ecotypes

(broad-sense parallelism) as well as the variation between replicate population pairs (narrow-

sense parallelism). Applying our framework to *Senecio lautus*, we have demonstrated that the

independent adaptation of populations to dune and headland environments has resulted in the

repeated evolution of similar phenotypes. In each replicate population, these ecotypes have

mainly diverged via different mutational changes in different genes, though some of these

belong to the same predicted biological function. These results add further adding credence to

the notion of independent ecotypic differentiation along the Australian coast. In particular,

they are consistent with 1) the demographic history of the system detailed in James *et al.*,

(2020), which showed that the evolution of each population is highly independent due to

strong isolation by distance, and 2) the observation of strong local adaptation measured in

multiple reciprocal transplant experiments in the system (Melo *et al.*, 2014; Richards *et al.*,

2016; Richards & Ortiz-Barrientos, 2016; Walter *et al.*, 2016, 2018b; Wilkinson *et al.*, 2020).

Below we discuss the framework we proposed to understand parallel evolution in light of *S.*

lautus and consider how the genetics and ecology of these coastal ecotypes impact the

likelihood of phenotypic and genotypic parallelism. We finish by discussing when our

framework should be used, address its potential caveats, and how it could contribute to future

studies of parallel evolution in nature.

Phenotypic parallelism

In *S. lautus*, the phenotypic differences between ecotypes were greater than the variation

arising from replicate pairs in both multivariate and univariate space. For instance, the partial

effect size of the ecotype was 86% for multivariate phenotypic differences, whereas the

partial effect size of replicate pairs was only 19%. This was also true for most traits when

considered alone, where ecotypic differences explained most variation in vegetative height,

the angle of secondary branches, and the size of leaves. These traits largely capture the

overall growth habits of the two ecotypes: prostrate and erect. Partitioning variance between

ecotypes and replicate pairs can indicate the relative contributions of broad- versus narrow-

sense parallelism and in this case, it reveals broad-sense phenotypic parallelism is likely very

strong in the *S. lautus* system. To see this in greater detail, we now discuss results from our

other analyses of broad-sense parallelism in *S. lautus* and compare them to other systems of

parallel evolution.

Broad-sense phenotypic parallelism (i.e., the net contribution of all independent replicate

populations within each ecotype to the overall phenotypic differences between ecotypes) was

strong in the coastal Dune and Headland ecotypes. At the level of the ecotype we observed

striking phenotypic differences between ecotypes in multivariate trait space, with little

overlap between ecotypes. This strong broad-sense phenotypic parallelism is seen in other

empirical parallel evolution systems such as lake-stream stickleback on Haida Gwaii in

Canada (Deagle *et al.*, 2012), and dwarf-normal lake whitefish (Laporte *et al.*, 2015), where

there is a clear phenotypic separation of ecotypes in the first two dimensions of multivariate

space. In contrast, some systems of parallel evolution have lower broad-sense phenotypic

parallelism, where there is overlap between ecotypes in phenotypic space. For instance,

benthivorous-planktivorous Arctic charr (Jacobs *et al.*, 2020), benthic-limnetic cichlid fishes

(Elmer *et al.*, 2014) and lake-stream stickleback on Vancouver Island in Canada (Stuart *et al.*,

2017) do not have each ecotype occupying a separate region in the first two dimensions of

multivariate space, thus likely having lower broad-sense phenotypic parallelism. (Note that

some overlap in multivariate variance can still lead to significant broad-sense parallelism.)

Broad-sense phenotypic parallelism at the level of the trait was high in *S. lautus*. This was

true for all measured traits, except for leaf dissections, which seem to vary more between

replicate pairs than between ecotypes. This pattern is rather different to other systems where

the contribution of traits to ecotypic differences has been calculated. For instance in

stickleback ecotypes, Stuart *et al.*, (2017) found that the variation in most traits is explained

mainly by differences between replicate pairs rather than between ecotypes, suggesting little

parallelism at the level of individual traits. This discrepancy might disappear if more traits are

measured in *S. lautus*, but the phenotypic dimensionality of the system does not seem to be

very high: of the 14 traits we measured, we discarded five highly correlated traits. In other

studies of *S. lautus* where more traits have been measured (Walter *et al.*, 2018a), strong

genetic correlations exist amongst a variety of vegetative traits suggesting strong

interdependence between morphological modules such as leaf and plant architecture.

In contrast, narrow-sense phenotypic parallelism (i.e., the similarities between replicate population pairs, quantified with PCVA) in *S. lautus* was weak, with most pairs having different magnitudes of divergence (32.1% of pairwise comparisons were parallel, i.e., $\Delta L \approx 0$) and different contribution of traits to divergence (3.6% of pairwise comparisons were parallel, i.e., $\theta \approx 0°$). Although the PCVA approach is relatively new within studies of parallel evolution, a recent study in 16 lake-stream stickleback pairs discovered even less narrow-sense parallelism than *S. lautus*, with 27.5% of pairwise comparisons having parallel magnitudes of divergence, and only 0.83% of pairwise comparisons with parallel contribution of traits to divergence (Stuart *et al.*, 2017). As more systems adopt the PCVA approach we will be able to directly compare the amount of parallelism between replicate populations across different study systems, although the creation of null distributions for the process remains unexplored.

One interpretation for the strong broad-sense and weaker narrow-sense phenotypic parallelism in *S. lautus* comes when considering the nature of the phenotypic and fitness landscapes. Our current work has revealed that the Dunes and Headlands are quite phenotypically distinct, yet there are still phenotypic differences between the populations within each ecotype, which seem to be more pronounced in the Headlands (the phenotypic centroids of Dune populations cluster, but Headland populations are somewhat more scattered in multivariate space). Furthermore, previous reciprocal transplant experiments in *S. lautus* have demonstrated that ecotypes are locally adapted and exhibit a strong reduction in fitness when grown in foreign habitats (Melo *et al.*, 2014; Richards *et al.*, 2016; Richards & Ortiz-Barrientos, 2016; Walter *et al.*, 2016, 2018b; Wilkinson *et al.*, 2020). This suggests that Dune and Headland ecotypes reside on quite distinct regions of the fitness landscape. Previous work has also shown that Dune individuals are equally fit across other non-local sand dune habitats. This suggests that the fitness landscape for the Dunes might share a common optimum. On the other hand, Headland individuals have reduced fitness in non-local headland habitats (Walter *et al.*, 2016), which implies some environmental heterogeneity within rock headlands (Roda *et al.*, 2013b). Therefore, the fitness landscape for Headlands might be either more broad and rugged, or with multiple optima, with each Headland population residing on a different local optimum. Overall, these differences in phenotypic variance within each ecotype some may explain why narrow-sense phenotypic parallelism is low in *S. lautus*.

Finally, the nature of parallelism in a system can depend on the nature of selection driving

adaptation and on whether selection drives the evolution of one or multiple traits. For

instance, ecotypic description of systems, such as sticklebacks and cichlids, is often binary

and relies on correlating a large environmental category to a general perception of the

phenotypic differences between populations. In *S. lautus*, Dune and Headland ecotypes are

qualitatively different in their growth habit, where Dune individuals grow erect and tall, and

Headland individuals grow prostrate forming mats over the ground. However, many traits

seem to contribute simultaneously to the qualitative descriptions of prostrate and erect

(Walter *et al.*, 2018a), suggesting that parallel evolution relies on coordinated trait evolution

for size and for shape. In sticklebacks, on the other hand, only a few traits seem to be highly

parallel across replicate pairs (Stuart *et al.*, 2017). One simple explanation for these

discrepancies is that parallel evolution may rely mostly on the origin of either complex or

simple adaptations, and that it may involve either few genes of large effect (e.g., the *Eda*

gene in sticklebacks; Colosimo *et al.*, 2005) or many of small effect, which is likely common

during polygenic adaptation (Yeaman, 2015). Our genotypic results help shed some light on

these different explanations for patterns of phenotypic parallelism in *S. lautus*.

Genotypic parallelism

Within *S. lautus*, the relative contributions of broad- and narrow-sense genotypic parallelism

revealed that very few nucleotide sites and genes explained more variance between ecotypes

than between pairs. This suggests there is little broad-sense genotypic parallelism within the

system, where divergence is explained by differences between replicate pairs at the level of

the nucleotide site and gene. This is also evident when detecting outliers between the

ecotypes (i.e., the genetic differences between all Dune vs all Headland individuals), where

very few nucleotide sites and genes distinguished the ecotypes. Narrow-sense genotypic

parallelism within the system (i.e., the genetic similarities between Dune-Headland replicate

pairs) was strongest at the level of the biological function, although there was some sharing

of common outlier nucleotide sites and genes across replicate population pairs. These results

suggest that adaptation in *S. lautus* could be rather flexible and redundant at lower levels of

organization (the nucleotide site and gene), and only parallel at the level of the biological

function. Parallelism at the biological function level might be common within nature (e.g.,

Smith & Rausher, 2011; Kowalko *et al.*, 2013; Roda *et al.*, 2013b; Laporte *et al.*, 2015;

Perreault-Payette *et al.*, 2017; Cassin-Sackett *et al.*, 2019) given that there are fewer

biological functions than there are genes or nucleotide sites (Tenaillon *et al.*, 2012; Tiffin &

Ross-Ibarra, 2014). In this regard, our study is rather conservative as we have only defined

narrow-sense parallelism in function when the function was separately enriched in at least all

nine, or eight population pairs. Even in those few enriched functions, the set of sequenced

genes that were divergent in each population pair were often different (Tables S16, S17),

further suggesting that adaptation in *S. lautus* might be quite robust and is possibly

underpinned by polygenic adaptation and functional redundancy of alleles at different loci

(Barghi *et al.*, 2020).

Recent studies in this system have demonstrated that hormone signaling, specifically the

auxin pathway, is divergent between Dune and Headland populations (Roda *et al.*, 2013b;

Wilkinson *et al.*, 2020). This indicates that integrated and modular phenotypes might be key

to the patterns of parallel evolution we have observed at the genotypic level in this system.

We therefore expected to find highly differentiated auxin-related genes within our current

study. Consistent with this prediction, we detected divergent genes involved in the auxin

pathway that are differentiated across multiple population pairs, including GH3.1 (Staswick

et al., 2005), NPH4 (Harper *et al.*, 2000) and genes from the ABCB family (Cho & Cho,

2013), see Appendix S4 for more details. This gives further evidence that auxin may play a

key role in creating the contrasting prostrate and erect phenotypes in *S. lautus*. Future studies

on the molecular basis of adaptation should focus on the concomitant contribution of many

genes to phenotypic variation and to their shared cellular and physiological roles, as it is

likely that variation in regulatory networks might underlie a large fraction of the adaptive

space in organisms (Boyle *et al.*, 2017; VanWallendael *et al.*, 2019).

The demographic history of species can also alter the patterns of genotypic parallelism

(Conte *et al.*, 2012; Ord & Summers, 2015). The most trivial reason is the contribution of

drift to diversity and divergence, particularly when populations are sufficiently small. In such

scenarios, not surprisingly, many outlier loci can stochastically increase in frequency in each

population pair, thus reducing levels of both broad- and narrow-sense genotypic parallelism.

This is one argument for grouping outliers through their cellular and physiological function,

as drift will be less likely to create functional similarities across population pairs. Future

studies of parallelism should not only identify outlier loci that are unlikely to have drifted to

fixation, but also ask if they have functional relationships amongst them. Although more

challenging, identifying loci with concordant patterns of divergence, even if they are not

outliers *per se*, can also reveal sets of genes that contribute to consistent patterns of

divergence across populations and that are thus likely to be responsible for polygenic

signatures of adaptation (Berg & Coop, 2014; Tiffin & Ross-Ibarra, 2014; Barghi *et al.*,

2020).

Broad- and narrow-sense parallel evolution framework

Within the literature, the debate surrounding the term parallel evolution manifests because

parallelism can arise at different scales of phenotypic and genotypic divergence, as well as

different genetic levels of biological organization. Here, our framework proposes to

categorize parallel evolution into the broad- and narrow-sense scales (at both the phenotypic

and genotypic levels) to help quantify both the overall patterns between ecotypes, as well as

the similarities of each replicate pair. We suggest that researchers need to be explicit when

referring to either phenotypic or genotypic patterns of parallelism, whether these patterns

exist across the system as a whole, or only between particular replicate pairs, and at what

level of biological organization the genotypic parallelism occurs (i.e., nucleotide site, gene or

biological function).

A 'perfectly' parallel system at the level of the phenotype would contain distant phenotypic

differences between ecotypes (i.e., strong broad-sense phenotypic parallelism), with replicate

pairs that are effectively identical in their phenotypic differences (i.e., strong narrow-sense

phenotypic parallelism). Such a system would imply that evolution is extremely repeatable

and predicable at the level of the phenotype (Blount *et al.*, 2018), where every instance of

repeated evolution has resulted in the same phenotypic adaptations. However, this may be

highly unlikely within natural systems due to a range of factors such as environmental

heterogeneity within each habitat, the interplay between the genotype, phenotype and fitness

landscapes, genetic constraints, and stochastic forces such as genetic drift (Lenormand *et al.*,

2009, 2016; Rosenblum *et al.*, 2014; Fraïsse & Welch, 2019).

A 'perfectly' parallel system at the level of the genotype would show the same nucleotide

sites involved in adaptation across replicate pairs, with evidence that the mutation(s) have

undergone repeated and independent selection in each population. Again, this may be highly

unlikely within natural systems, especially in systems with phenotypic redundancy (with

many phenotypic solutions to the same problem), and when adaptive traits are polygenic

(Yeaman, 2015). Also, the likelihood of genetic parallelism at the nucleotide site is highly

dependent on the availability of adaptive mutations (Chevin *et al.*, 2010; Ralph & Coop,

2010; Stoltzfus & McCandlish, 2017; Bailey *et al.*, 2018). Within genotypic parallelism, the

nested levels of biological organization imply that parallelism at the lowest level (i.e., the

nucleotide site) will translate to parallelism at the gene and biological function levels. We

therefore must keep in mind that when parallelism occurs at a given level (i.e., the biological

function), it will not necessarily occur at levels below (i.e., the gene and nucleotide site).

The effects of sampling on parallelism

The ability to detect genotypic parallelism is impacted by sampling. Obvious pitfalls exist for

methods that do not sample the entire genome. For instance, reduced representation libraries

sparsely sample the genome, and tend to be biased towards non-genic regions (Lowry *et al.*,

2017). Although we by-pass this problem to some extent as our enzyme cuts

disproportionally gene rich regions of the genome (~60-70% of RAD loci map to the

transcriptome of *S. lautus*), sequencing of reduced representation libraries will likely fail to

sample many loci involved in adaptation (Tiffin & Ross-Ibarra, 2014; Lowry *et al.*, 2017).

Even sequencing of whole genomes might still fail to sample adaptive loci due to the lack of

sequencing of important regions. In addition, the effects of recombination (Booker *et al.*,

2020), background selection, linkage and demography affects the distribution of F_{ST}

throughout the genome and impacts our ability to detect regions involved in adaptation (see

Hoban *et al.*, 2016 for a review).

Additionally, common F_{ST} -based approaches, including those used within this study can fail

to detect other structural aspects of the genome that can be involved in adaptation

(Wellenreuther *et al.*, 2019), including copy number variation (Schrider *et al.*, 2016; Nelson

et al., 2019), local recombination rate variation (Reeve *et al.*, 2016; Ortiz-Barrientos &

James, 2017; Samuk *et al.*, 2020), inversions (Kirkpatrick & Barton, 2006; Lowry & Willis,

2010; Faria *et al.*, 2019), and transposons (González & Petrov, 2009; Schrader & Schmitz,

2019). Furthermore, the alleles contributing to adaptation are also difficult to detect if

adaptation has proceeded by many alleles of small effect, which may be quite common in

highly polygenic traits (Yeaman, 2015). In such systems, divergent loci are difficult to detect

as they contain low F_{ST}, which further makes detecting genetic parallelism highly unlikely in

these systems. Finally, traditional approaches that sample SNPs across the genome will fail to

detect variation in gene expression levels, which may also be involved in adaptation during

parallel evolution (e.g., Rivas *et al.*, 2018; Verta & Jones, 2019).

The quantification of phenotypes may also experience sampling bias. We may be

unknowingly biased towards measuring traits that are divergent between ecotypes, rather than

the overall phenotype of an organism. We might also overlook parallelism in traits we did not

measure, such as adaptive phenotypes like flowering time in plants (Blackman *et al.*, 2011;

Christie & Strauss, 2019), or disregard traits that would be difficult to measure (such as the

root networks of plants), or physiological responses to a stimulus (such as tropisms in plants).

Although these traits might be highly correlated to other measured traits, especially for highly

modular phenotypes (Murren, 2012), this needs to be first demonstrated experimentally

before deciding which traits to measure and which traits to disregard. We must therefore be

aware that the likelihood of detecting parallelism is highly dependent on the type and number

of traits measured in a system (Stayton, 2008), suggesting that further work needs to enrich

current theories of multi-trait evolution so we can develop better null hypotheses for parallel

evolution while accounting for correlations between traits, including those that are highly

pleiotropic (Yeaman, 2015; De Lisle & Bolnick, 2020).

The geometry and statistics of parallel evolution

When quantifying narrow-sense phenotypic parallelism with vectors, the interpretation of

phenotypic change in lengths (ΔL) and angles (θ) between replicate population pairs should

be treated with caution. This is due to how phenotypic similarities manifest both within each

replicate pair and between ecotypes. Consider two replicate pairs where the populations

within each pair are more phenotypically similar than the populations belonging to the same

ecotype (i.e., they had different common ancestors; Bolnick *et al.*, 2018). However, due to

their phenotypic configuration in multivariate space, we may still measure the same change

in length ($\Delta L \approx 0$) and angle ($\theta \approx 0°$) between pairs. This is apparent in the work by Elmer *et*

al., (2014), where they showed strong ecological parallelism in two replicate limnetic-benthic

cichlid replicate pairs, despite the phenotypic differences being larger between pairs than

between ecotypes within a pair. This highlights that systems with weak broad-sense

phenotypic parallelism but strong narrow-sense, might be describing a type of parallel

evolution where replicate populations have adapted to similar environmental challenges via

different phenotypic changes but through functionally equivalent evolution. In our work we

have found a striking case of strong phenotypic differences between Dune and Headland *S.*

lautus ecotypes despite variable levels of narrow-sense parallelism. Further investigation of

other biological axes of organization will further complement our current view of this system,
such as the contributions of physiology and network evolution to adaptation and divergence.

Comparing levels of parallel evolution across systems

To advance the field of parallel evolution, it is necessary to undertake statistical approaches
that allow us to compare levels of parallelism across systems on a common scale. It would
also be useful to have key criteria to define the amount of parallelism in a system. Rather
than classifying evolution as 'parallel' or 'non-parallel,' we should strive to place each
system on a continuum of parallelism, as suggested by the recent work by Bolnick *et al.*,
(2018) which discusses the (non)-parallel continuum. Our framework attempts to clarify the
continuum of parallel evolution into broad- and narrow-sense scales at both the genotypic and
phenotypic levels, thus paving the way for finding common ground in conceptualizing and
measuring parallel evolution across systems.

One potential way forward to compare between systems is to use variance partitioning
methods (such as partial effect sizes; partial η^2) to gain an overall understanding of the
relative contributions of broad- and narrow-sense parallelism. This can be undertaken at the
multivariate and univariate levels of the phenotype as well as the level of the SNP and gene
for the genotype. We can then compare the distribution of effect sizes at these different levels
across study systems. Systems that have more broad-sense parallelism will show a larger
proportion of partial effect sizes (either at the phenotypic or genotypic level) where the
variance is explained by differences between the ecotypes rather than replicate pairs.
Researchers may also benefit from approaches such as the K-means clustering analysis,
where we can directly compare the percentage of individuals correctly assigned to each
ecotype (also see the work on exchangeability by Hendry *et al.*, 2013). For instance, for a
system with high broad-sense phenotypic parallelism at the level of the ecotype, we would be
able to easily predict which ecotype all individuals belong, based on their phenotypic traits.

Recent work by De Lisle & Bolnick (2020) advocates the use of theory from quantitative
genetics to quantify the direction of evolutionary change in multivariate space across systems
of parallel evolution. It has some advantages over the PCVA approach as rather than
interpreting individual vectors and angles, it uses the full matrix of correlations between
populations and asks which dimensions of multivariate space explain a significant amount of
variance. One can then extract the loadings from these dimensions to quantify the

combination of traits that contribute to the divergence between populations. Parallelism can

be assessed by asking whether the loadings are in the same direction across replicate

populations. Similar quantitative genetics approaches (McGuigan, 2006) have been used in

multiple systems to quantify phenotypic and genetic divergence between populations (e.g.,

McGuigan *et al.*, 2005; Chenoweth *et al.*, 2010). Within the *S. lautus* system, multivariate

divergence between ecotypes and its association with the additive genetic variance

underlying phenotypic traits suggests that Headland populations have strong phenotypic

constraint arising from strong genetic correlations whereas Dune populations are freer to

evolve across many axes of genetic variance (Walter *et al.*, 2018a). This approach, now

extended by De Lisle & Bolnick (2020) to also generate null hypotheses, promises to be a

powerful approach to measure parallelism, but whether additive genetic variances can be

measured in most systems remains a formidable challenge. Future work on null hypotheses

should also strive to model the likelihood of phenotypic or genotypic parallelism while taking

into account variance in factors such as gene flow, environmental heterogeneity, the

recombination landscape, and the genetic architecture of adaptive traits (e.g., Thompson *et*

al., 2019).

To further advance the field of parallel evolution, researchers must also strive to specifically

identify the causal genes for adaptation by directly linking them to adaptive phenotypes and

further demonstrating that these phenotypes confer a fitness advantage to native populations.

In systems where adaptation is governed by selection on the same nucleotide sites (e.g.,

Colosimo *et al.*, 2005), researchers must demonstrate whether the selected loci arose via

standing genetic variation or new mutations (Lee & Coop, 2017, 2019). The field of parallel

evolution also requires a more thorough understanding of how the demographic history of

populations impacts the likelihood of genotypic and phenotypic parallelism (e.g., Bohutínská

et al., 2020). Furthermore, understanding the contributions of phenotypic plasticity within

each system (by comparing natural populations to those reared in common garden conditions;

Oke *et al.*, 2016) will help shed light on whether phenotypic parallelism is enhanced or

dampened by non-genetic changes.

We have outlined a framework to quantify both phenotypic and genotypic parallel evolution

within empirical systems. Applying this framework to *S. lautus*, we have demonstrated strong

phenotypic differences between the Dune and Headland ecotypes, although most replicate

pairs are slightly phenotypically different. Genotypic parallelism across pairs is mainly

driven by mutations in different genes, some of which belong to similar biological functions.

Our work provides progress towards a common framework to measure and compare parallel

evolution across natural systems.

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Appendices

Appendix S1. Broad- and narrow-sense outlier genes between replicate population pairs

from coastal ecotypes of *S. lautus*

Functional annotation of the outlier genes within *DAVID*. Gene ontology is the *DAVID*

GOTERM_BP_DIRECT (denoted below with *BP*), where absent, the

GOTERM_CC_DIRECT was used (*CC*), and where absent, the *GOTERM_MF_DIRECT*

(*MF*) was used. *BS – A1* denotes genes detected as broad-sense outliers using approach 1 (see

methods). *BS – A2* denotes genes detected as broad-sense outliers using approach 2. *NS*

denotes genes detected in the narrow-sense that are common to either all nine (9) or eight (8)

replicate pairs.

Appendix S2. Chloroplast outlier genes

Functional annotation of the outlier genes within the enriched biological function of

'chloroplast'. Gene ontology is the *DAVID GOTERM_BP_DIRECT* (denoted below with

BP), and where absent, the *GOTERM_CC_DIRECT* was used (*CC*). *Number of replicate*

pairs denotes how many replicate pairs the gene was detected as an outlier.

Appendix S3. Nucleotide-binding/ATP-binding outlier genes

Functional annotation of the outlier genes within the enriched biological function of

'nucleotide-binding/ATP-binding'. Gene ontology is the *DAVID GOTERM_BP_DIRECT*

(denoted below with *BP*), and where absent, the *GOTERM_CC_DIRECT* was used (*CC*).

Number of replicate pairs denotes how many replicate pairs the gene was detected as an

outlier.

Appendix S4. Auxin-related outlier genes

Functional annotation of the outlier genes associated with the auxin pathway. Gene ontology

is the *DAVID GOTERM_BP_DIRECT*. *Number of replicate* pairs denotes how many

replicate pairs the gene was detected as an outlier.

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Figures

Figure 1. A framework to measure phenotypic and genotypic parallel evolution

Parallel evolution can be broken down into two components: the phenotype and the genotype. These two components can be measured in the broad-sense (the overall differences between ecotypes), and the narrow-sense (the specific similarities between replicate pairs). Broad-sense phenotypic parallelism can be measured at the level of the ecotype and trait, whereas narrow-sense phenotypic parallelism is measured at the level of the pair. Genotypic parallelism can be measured at different biological levels of organization in both the broad- and narrow-sense scales: the nucleotide site, gene, and biological function.

Figure 2. Broad-sense phenotypic parallelism in *S. lautus*: parallel ecotype

(A) Sampling locations of the 22 Dune (orange) and Headland (green) *Senecio lautus* populations along the coast of Australia. **(B)** Maximum likelihood phylogeny of Dune and Headland populations implemented in IQ-TREE. Numbers on each node represent the SH-alRT support (%), followed by the ultrafast bootstrap support (%). Modified with permission from James *et al.*, (2020). The intermediate population (H12A) is not included within this study. **(C)** Partial effect sizes (partial η^2) for the ecotype and the interaction (ecotype × pair) for the trait-by-trait linear models, each dot representing a single trait. The red dot represents Wilk's partial effect size for all traits combined within the MANOVA. Dashed line is a 1:1 ratio, where points above the line represent a larger contribution of broad- to narrow-sense divergence. See Table S4 for details. **(D)** Schematic diagram of Dune and Headland ecotypes based on mean trait values from linear discriminant analysis (LDA) shown in Figure 3C. **(E)** Principal component analysis of Dune and Headland phenotypes (five plant architecture and four leaf traits) across 20 populations. Ecotypes are delimited by 70% probability ellipses.

Figure 3. Broad-sense phenotypic parallelism in *S. lautus*: parallel trait

(A) Vote-counting for five plant architecture and four leaf traits across eight replicate pairs. Dots represent the mean trait value for each population (N = 30). Lines connect the Dune (orange) populations to their Headland (green) pair. Dashed lines represent pairs whose Dune-Headland trait value is in the opposite direction from the majority of pairs. Asterisks denote significance (** S-statistic = 8, P = 0.0078; * S-statistic = 7, P = 0.035). **(B)** Frequency distribution of the ecotype R^2 values (proportion of phenotypic variance explained by the ecotype term) for each trait from one-way ANOVAs performed on the population means. **(C)** Linear discriminant analysis of all traits between Dune and Headland ecotypes.

Figure 4. Narrow-sense phenotypic parallelism in *S. lautus*: parallel pair

(A) PC1 and PC2 for five plant architecture and four leaf traits across eight replicate Dune-Headland pairs. Each dot represents the population centroid (multivariate phenotypic mean), ± SE. The Dune (orange) and Headland (green) populations of a replicate pair are connected with a line. **(B)** Frequency distribution of the 28 pairwise phenotypic divergences (ΔL) between Dune-Headland replicate pairs (Table S6). **(C)** Frequency distribution of the 28 pairwise contribution of traits (θ) between Dune-Headland replicate pairs (Table S9).

Figure 5. Relative contributions of broad- and narrow-sense genotypic parallelism in *S. lautus*

Partial effect sizes (partial η^2) for the ecotype and the interaction (ecotype × pair) for the linear models for nucleotide sites **(A)** genes **(B)**. Each dot represents either a single SNP **(A)** or gene **(B)**. Dashed line is a 1:1 ratio, where points above the line represent a larger contribution of broad- to narrow-sense parallelism. The red dots denote broad-sense outlier SNPs **(A)** and genes **(B)**. Partial effect size frequency distributions for the nucleotide sites **(C)** and genes **(D)**. Values above zero represent a larger contribution of broad- to narrow-sense parallelism.

Figure 6. Broad- and narrow-sense genotypic parallelism in *S. lautus*

(A) Broad-sense parallel nucleotide sites showing high differentiation between the Dune-Headland ecotypes as well as concordant allele frequency changes across replicate pairs. Dots represent the allele frequency value (of the reference allele) for each population. Lines connect the Dune (orange) populations to their Headland (green) pair. Dashed lines represent pairs whose Dune-Headland change in allele frequency is in the opposite direction from the majority of pairs. Δ*p* denotes the overall change in allele frequency between the ecotypes. *G* denotes SNPs that occur within genic regions. **(B)** Proportion of outlier nucleotide sites, outlier genes, and enriched biological functions shared across the nine replicate pairs. **(C)** Enriched biological functions shared across five or more replicate population pairs.

Supplementary Tables and Figures

Table S1. *Senecio lautus* **sampling locations in this study**

Sampling locations of the 22 *Senecio lautus* Dune and Headland populations. Coordinates represent the mid-point of each population. N genetics and N phenotype represent the sample sizes used for the genotypic and phenotypic analysis respectively. Note: N genetics corresponds to the final number of individuals after removing those with low coverage. Pairs in bold are sister-taxa within the phylogeny.

Clade	Population code	Location	Ecotype	Pair	Coordinates	N genetics	N phenotype
Eastern	D00	QLD: Stradbroke Island	Dune	D00-H00	S27° 31.153' E153° 30.189'	62	30
Eastern	H00	QLD: Stradbroke Island	Headland	D00-H00	S27° 26.140' E153° 32.749'	63	30
Eastern	D02	QLD: Southport	Dune	D02-H04	S27° 56.846' E153° 25.736'	62	30
Eastern	H04	NSW: Byron Bay	Headland	D02-H04	S28° 38.060' E153° 38.268'	62	30
Eastern	D03	NSW: Cabarita	Dune	**D03-H02**	S28° 19.794' E153° 34.264'	61	30
Eastern	H02	NSW: Cabarita	Headland	**D03-H02**	S28° 21.013' E153° 34.676'	61	30
Eastern	D01	QLD: Lennox Head	Dune	D01-H01	S28° 46.858' E153° 35.655'	60	30
Eastern	H01	QLD: Lennox Head	Headland	D01-H01	S28° 48.813' E153° 36.313'	58	30
Eastern	D04	NSW: Coffs Harbour	Dune	**D04-H05**	S30° 18.946' E153° 08.142'	62	30
Eastern	H05	NSW: Coffs Harbour	Headland	**D04-H05**	S30° 18.741' E153° 08.676'	62	30
Eastern	D05	NSW: South West Rocks	Dune	**D05-H06**	S30° 53.027' E153° 04.037'	62	30
Eastern	H06	NSW: South West Rocks	Headland	**D05-H06**	S30° 52.710' E153° 04.549'	62	30
Southern	H07	NSW: Port Macquarie	Headland	-	S31° 28.526' E152° 56.219	-	30
Southern	H03	NSW: Kiama	Headland	-	S34° 40.301' E150° 51.704'	-	29
Southern	D12	NSW: Bermagui	Dune	D12-H14	S36° 28.346' E150° 03.581'	62	31
Southern	H14	NSW: Green Cape	Headland	D12-H14	S37° 15.748' E150° 02.991'	62	30
Southern	D32	VIC: Cape Bridgewater	Dune	**D32-H12**	S38° 19.631' E141° 23.772'	62	30
Southern	H12	VIC: Cape Bridgewater	Headland	**D32-H12**	S38° 22.728' E141° 22.018'	63	30
Southern	D14	TAS: Port Arthur	Dune	**D14-H15**	S43° 10.550' E147° 51.267'	12	-
Southern	H15	TAS: Port Arthur	Headland	**D14-H15**	S43° 11.240' E147° 50.672'	11	-
Western	D35	WA: Isthmus Hill	Dune	-	S35° 05.885' E117° 59.182'	-	34
Western	D09	WA: Leeuwin-Naturaliste National Park	Dune	-	S33° 46.239' E114° 59.541'	-	31

Table S2. *Senecio lautus* **phenotypic traits**

Traits with asterisks were removed from the analysis due to high correlations (> 0.8).

Trait category	Trait	Description
Plant architecture	Vegetative height	Base of plant to highest vegetative leaf (not including flowers)
	Widest width	Widest with of plant between vegetative leaves
	Narrowest width*	Narrowest width of plant between vegetative leaves
	Main stem angle	Angle of main stem measured from base of soil
	Main stem diameter	Diameter of main stem measured 1cm above soil
	Secondary branch angle	Average angle of secondary branches
Leaf	Area	Leaf area
	Perimeter*	Leaf perimeter
	Width*	Leaf width
	Height*	Leaf height
	Elongation	Length to width ratio
	Compactness*	Squared perimeter to area ratio
	Dissection	Perimeter to length ratio
	Circularity	4π (area/perimeter^2)

Table S3. Demographic and environmental data for *S. lautus* population pairs

Rates of gene flow (2N*m*, forward in time) and divergence times were calculated in *fastsimcoal2* (see James *et al.*, (2020) for details). 2N*m* (D -> H): gene flow since secondary contact from the Dune to the Headland. 2N*m* (H -> D): gene flow since secondary contact from the Headland to the Dune. 2N*m* (ABS): absolute gene flow since secondary contact. See (Roda *et al.*, 2013b) for details of the environmental distances.

Pair	2Nm (D -> H)	2Nm (H -> D)	2Nm (ABS)	Divergence time (years)	Environmental distance
D00-H00	0.2176	0.2830	0.065424	71945	3.23
D02-H04	0.2697	0.1720	0.097695	82539	NA
D03-H02	0.1590	0.4722	0.313209	44190	10.26
D01-H01	0.6241	0.3671	0.256984	71918	13.68
D04-H05	**1.3942**	**1.5024**	0.108212	30707	6.31
D05-H06	0.4049	0.4325	0.027621	67927	NA
D12-H14	0.2188	0.1787	0.040083	47929	5.14
D32-H12	**5.5694**	**5.2694**	0.300057	38706	NA

Table S4. Trait-by-trait linear models and partial effect sizes

F-values and P-values for the ecotype (Ecotype $F_{1,465}$; Ecotype P-value) and interaction (Ecotype x Pair $F_{7,465}$; Ecotype × Pair P-value) for trait-by-trait linear models (*trait = ecotype + pair + ecotype × pair*). Partial effect sizes (partial η^2) for the Ecotype, Pair and Interaction (Ecotype × Pair) for each trait.

Trait Category	Trait	Ecotype $F_{1,465}$	Ecotype P-value	Ecotype × Pair $F_{7,465}$	Ecotype × Pair P-value	Ecotype partial η^2	Pair partial η^2	Ecotype × Pair partial η^2
Plant architecture	Vegetative height	962.65	$< 2.2 \times 10^{-16}$ ***	17.63	$< 2.2 \times 10^{-16}$ ***	0.67	0.26	0.21
	Widest width	102.62	$< 2.2 \times 10^{-16}$ ***	8.14	2.3×10^{-9} ***	0.18	0.30	0.11
	Main stem angle	111.35	$< 2.2 \times 10^{-16}$ ***	7.20	3.4×10^{-8} ***	0.19	0.06	0.10
	Main stem diameter	133.75	$< 2.2 \times 10^{-16}$ ***	11.26	3.3×10^{-13} ***	0.22	0.07	0.14
	Secondary branch angle	566.05	$< 2.2 \times 10^{-16}$ ***	2.39	0.02092 *	0.55	0.08	0.03
Leaf	Area	889.52	$< 2.2 \times 10^{-16}$ ***	16.30	$< 2.2 \times 10^{-16}$ ***	0.66	0.26	0.20
	Elongation	398.11	$< 2.2 \times 10^{-16}$ ***	19.79	$< 2.2 \times 10^{-16}$ ***	0.46	0.26	0.23
	Dissection	84.64	$< 2.2 \times 10^{-16}$ ***	20.92	$< 2.2 \times 10^{-16}$ ***	0.15	0.25	0.24
	Circularity	356.68	$< 2.2 \times 10^{-16}$ ***	45.92	$< 2.2 \times 10^{-16}$ ***	0.43	0.46	0.41

Table S5. Summary of parallel phenotypic traits in *S. lautus*

Summary of the three approaches to measure phenotypic parallelism per trait (vote-counting, trait-by-trait linear models, and R^2). 'Yes' denotes a trait was either statistically significant using the vote-counting approach (Vote-counting), had a significant ecotype term in the trait-by-trait linear models (Linear models), or an $R^2 \geq 0.50$ for one-way ANOVAs performed on the population means (Ecotype R^2). See main text for details on each approach. Traits in bold are consistently viewed as parallel across each of the three approaches.

Trait Category	Trait	Vote-counting	Linear models	Ecotype R^2
Plant architecture	**Vegetative height**	Yes	Yes	Yes
	Widest width	Yes	Yes	No
	Main stem angle	No	Yes	Yes
	Main stem diameter	Yes	Yes	Yes
	Secondary branch angle	Yes	Yes	Yes
Leaf	**Area**	Yes	Yes	Yes
	Elongation	Yes	Yes	Yes
	Dissection	No	Yes	No
	Circularity	Yes	Yes	No

Table S6. Pairwise change in lengths (ΔL) for all traits in coastal ecotypes of *S. lautus*

Values below the diagonal represent the change in lengths, above the diagonal are the P-values. Shaded cells donate parallel pairs (P > 0.01, i.e., ΔL ≈ 0°).

	D00-H00	D01-H01	D02-H04	D03-H02	D04-H05	D05-H06	D12-H14	D32-H12
D00-H00	-	0.3239	0.0001	0.0001	0.0001	0.4949	0.0001	0.0001
D01-H01	0.27	-	0.0001	0.0001	0.0001	0.0763	0.0001	0.0001
D02-H04	2.45	2.72	-	0.0548	0.0002	0.0001	0.0001	0.5683
D03-H02	1.86	2.13	0.59	-	0.0435	0.0001	0.0367	0.1627
D04-H05	1.27	1.54	1.18	0.59	-	0.0003	0.8839	0.0003
D05-H06	0.20	0.47	2.26	1.66	1.08	-	0.0007	0.0001
D12-H14	1.24	1.51	1.22	0.62	0.04	1.04	-	0.0005
D32-H12	2.29	2.56	0.16	0.43	1.02	2.10	1.05	-

Table S7. Pairwise change in lengths (ΔL) for plant architecture traits in coastal ecotypes of *S. lautus*

Values below the diagonal represent the change in lengths, above the diagonal are the P-values. Shaded cells donate parallel pairs (P > 0.01, i.e., ΔL ≈ 0°).

	D00-H00	D01-H01	D02-H04	D03-H02	D04-H05	D05-H06	D12-H14	D32-H12
D00-H00	-	0.1366	0.0001	0.0001	0.0001	0.6428	0.0016	0.0008
D01-H01	0.44	-	0.0001	0.0001	0.0001	0.0394	0.0002	0.0001
D02-H04	1.55	1.99	-	0.0926	0.4009	0.0001	0.0477	0.1153
D03-H02	2.08	2.52	0.53	-	0.0056	0.0001	0.0001	0.0017
D04-H05	1.32	1.76	0.23	0.77	-	0.0001	0.1633	0.3648
D05-H06	0.14	0.58	1.41	1.94	1.18	-	0.0070	0.0032
D12-H14	0.94	1.38	0.61	1.14	0.37	0.80	-	0.6626
D32-H12	1.07	1.52	0.48	1.01	0.24	0.94	0.13	-

Table S8. Pairwise change in lengths (ΔL) for leaf traits in coastal ecotypes of *S. lautus*

Values below the diagonal represent the change in lengths, above the diagonal are the P-values. Shaded cells donate parallel pairs (P > 0.01, i.e., ΔL ≈ 0°).

	D00-H00	D01-H01	D02-H04	D03-H02	D04-H05	D05-H06	D12-H14	D32-H12
D00-H00	-	0.9650	0.0001	0.0740	0.0239	0.4917	0.0006	0.0001
D01-H01	0.01	-	0.0001	0.1268	0.0509	0.5771	0.0046	0.0001
D02-H04	1.90	1.89	-	0.0001	0.0001	0.0001	0.0015	0.4492
D03-H02	0.34	0.34	1.56	-	0.6506	0.3263	0.0352	0.0001
D04-H05	0.43	0.42	1.47	0.09	-	0.1646	0.0674	0.0001
D05-H06	0.14	0.13	1.77	0.21	0.30	-	0.0052	0.0001
D12-H14	0.81	0.80	1.10	0.46	0.37	0.67	-	0.0001
D32-H12	2.08	2.07	0.17	1.73	1.64	1.94	1.27	-

Table S9. Pairwise angles (θ) for all traits in coastal ecotypes of *S. lautus*

Values below the diagonal represent the angles (in degrees), above the diagonal are the P-values. Shaded cells donate parallel pairs (P > 0.01, i.e., θ ≈ 0°).

	D00-H00	D01-H01	D02-H04	D03-H02	D04-H05	D05-H06	D12-H14	D32-H12
D00-H00	-	0.0001	0.0001	0.0001	0.0001	0.0001	0.0001	0.0001
D01-H01	43.38	-	0.0001	0.0001	0.0001	0.0001	0.0018	0.0001
D02-H04	43.73	49.83	-	0.0001	0.0001	0.0001	0.0001	0.0001
D03-H02	31.00	50.52	40.33	-	0.0105	0.0001	0.0001	0.0001
D04-H05	26.57	42.70	42.93	14.51	-	0.0001	0.0001	0.0001
D05-H06	61.69	49.81	62.81	39.29	39.30	-	0.0001	0.0001
D12-H14	50.10	35.99	34.81	34.08	35.69	35.34	-	0.0010
D32-H12	50.27	34.82	45.36	33.59	33.74	24.43	20.14	-

Table S10. Pairwise angles (θ) for plant architecture traits in coastal ecotypes of *S. lautus*

Values below the diagonal represent the angles (in degrees), above the diagonal are the P-values. Shaded cells donate parallel pairs (P > 0.01, i.e., θ ≈ 0°).

	D00-H00	D01-H01	D02-H04	D03-H02	D04-H05	D05-H06	D12-H14	D32-H12
D00-H00	-	0.0021	0.0025	0.0049	0.0022	0.0003	0.0013	0.0005
D01-H01	49.70	-	0.0001	0.0001	0.0001	0.0005	0.0002	0.0001
D02-H04	26.78	62.07	-	0.2492	0.0270	0.0002	0.0002	0.0161
D03-H02	23.10	60.56	9.27	-	0.0395	0.0001	0.0009	0.0043
D04-H05	27.06	50.46	15.63	13.48	-	0.0198	0.1135	0.5276
D05-H06	43.11	50.21	30.17	30.37	18.95	-	0.0051	0.0835
D12-H14	31.30	44.17	26.61	22.66	13.08	23.40	-	0.1199
D32-H12	33.60	50.15	18.37	19.47	8.49	17.08	14.04	-

Table S11. Pairwise angles (θ) for leaf traits in coastal ecotypes of *S. lautus*

Values below the diagonal represent the angles (in degrees), above the diagonal are the P-values. Shaded cells donate parallel pairs (P > 0.01, i.e., θ ≈ 0°).

	D00-H00	D01-H01	D02-H04	D03-H02	D04-H05	D05-H06	D12-H14	D32-H12
D00-H00	-	0.0014	0.0001	0.0001	0.0012	0.0001	0.0001	0.0001
D01-H01	37.73	-	0.0001	0.1043	0.0172	0.0001	0.0531	0.0009
D02-H04	54.25	40.54	-	0.0001	0.0001	0.0001	0.0001	0.0001
D03-H02	31.56	19.33	58.04	-	0.0907	0.0001	0.0002	0.0001
D04-H05	21.88	26.54	60.06	11.42	-	0.0001	0.0001	0.0001
D05-H06	75.54	48.76	82.96	44.26	54.12	-	0.0001	0.0001
D12-H14	63.73	26.53	40.49	42.27	51.98	43.90	-	0.0060
D32-H12	58.83	24.12	56.47	29.60	40.89	26.79	20.31	-

Table S12. Shared outlier nucleotide sites between replicate population pairs from coastal ecotypes of *S. lautus*

Values below the diagonal represent the number of shared outlier nucleotide sites. Values above the diagonal are the P-values of the probability that the common nucleotide sites are shared by chance, calculated from the hypergeometric distribution.

	D00-H00	D01-H01	D02-H04	D03-H02	D04-H05	D05-H06	D12-H14	D14-H15	D32-H12
D00-H00	-	3.75E-58	7.72E-54	3.98E-37	5.31E-51	8.48E-42	8.13E-50	2.74E-07	1.68E-32
D01-H01	169	-	3.59E-58	9.08E-52	1.14E-62	1.52E-48	1.39E-51	4.07E-05	6.49E-33
D02-H04	189	161	-	1.58E-49	3.52E-32	1.10E-53	1.20E-37	1.80E-03	3.40E-44
D03-H02	178	164	187	-	8.27E-46	1.36E-46	3.76E-44	2.63E-05	6.47E-36
D04-H05	195	174	155	192	-	5.31E-51	3.60E-44	1.07E-05	4.69E-34
D05-H06	165	144	173	176	178	-	2.27E-58	1.15E-11	7.98E-49
D12-H14	226	185	193	222	216	218	-	6.91E-10	7.40E-68
D14-H15	31	21	21	28	28	35	41	-	1.13E-03
D32-H12	207	164	215	220	210	214	311	30	-

Table S13. Shared outlier genes between replicate population pairs from coastal ecotypes of *S. lautus*

Values below the diagonal represent the number of shared outlier genes. Values above the diagonal are the P-values of the probability that the common genes are shared by chance, calculated from the hypergeometric distribution.

	D00-H00	D01-H01	D02-H04	D03-H02	D04-H05	D05-H06	D12-H14	D14-H15	D32-H12
D00-H00	-	2.10E-40	2.76E-53	1.54E-34	6.83E-33	2.47E-39	9.75E-24	2.05E-05	1.01E-19
D01-H01	123	-	1.13E-52	1.18E-44	5.03E-45	2.07E-35	2.88E-29	7.56E-04	1.79E-22
D02-H04	156	128	-	8.25E-47	2.06E-34	1.26E-42	5.36E-31	3.48E-05	1.15E-34
D03-H02	137	122	142	-	1.11E-34	1.78E-35	2.78E-22	7.95E-05	1.16E-24
D04-H05	141	127	133	136	-	6.85E-34	1.52E-20	2.30E-03	7.76E-20
D05-H06	146	114	140	134	138	-	1.32E-32	1.25E-08	5.61E-24
D12-H14	171	140	168	158	164	179	-	1.50E-03	2.34E-17
D14-H15	32	22	29	29	27	37	40	-	0.10091
D32-H12	168	133	177	166	167	170	231	35	-

Table S14. Shared biological functions between replicate population pairs from coastal ecotypes of *S. lautus*

Summary of the 17 enriched biological functions across the 9 replicate pairs inferred in *DAVID*. P-values represent the EASE score, a modified Fisher Exact P-value. 'NA' denotes the function was not enriched within the pair.

Biological function	D00-H00	D02-H04	D03-H02	D01-H01	D04-H05	D05-H06	D12-H14	D14-H15	D32-H12
Chloroplast	7.25E-04	4.91E-05	1.08E-04	6.63E-03	8.56E-03	3.02E-02	3.57E-10	NA	4.79E-05
Nucleotide/ATP-binding	1.12E-05	3.05E-03	7.00E-07	5.32E-04	7.74E-04	2.33E-02	7.87E-03	NA	3.77E-07
Membrane	8.50E-04	NA	NA	3.55E-05	1.22E-02	2.25E-02	1.67E-03	NA	9.48E-03
Helicase	2.38E-03	NA	7.20E-03	NA	2.69E-02	1.62E-02	8.08E-04	NA	3.90E-02
DNA repair/DNA damage	NA	3.81E-02	4.32E-02	7.01E-04	4.65E-02	NA	1.42E-03	NA	3.31E-02
Flowering	NA	NA	3.36E-04	5.95E-03	NA	3.60E-02	NA	2.79E-02	1.24E-02
Protein-protein interactions	NA	NA	NA	8.00E-03	1.90E-02	2.96E-02	NA	3.38E-02	1.32E-03
Carbon metabolism	2.37E-02	NA	NA	2.35E-02	4.40E-02	NA	NA	5.93E-03	2.14E-02
Zinc finger	2.47E-02	2.25E-02	NA	NA	NA	1.73E-02	2.28E-03	NA	NA
Nucleus	NA	2.59E-02	1.34E-02	NA	NA	NA	4.36E-03	NA	4.44E-03
ATPase dependent activity	NA	NA	4.08E-03	NA	NA	4.02E-03	4.20E-04	3.55E-02	NA
Catalytic activity	NA	NA	1.34E-02	NA	NA	6.62E-03	5.54E-04	NA	NA
Stress response	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	3.18E-02	9.14E-03	NA	NA
Auxin pathway	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	1.16E-02	NA	NA	NA
Amino acid transport	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	4.29E-03
Glycoprotein	1.63E-02	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Endoplasmic reticulum	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	3.80E-02	NA	NA	NA

Table S15. Shared biological functions between replicate population pairs from coastal ecotypes of *S. lautus* using a more stringent approach

Summary of the 5 enriched biological functions across the 9 replicate pairs inferred in *DAVID*. P-values represent the Benjamini-adjusted P-value. 'NA' denotes the function was not enriched within the pair.

Biological function	D00-H00	D02-H04	D03-H02	D01-H01	D04-H05	D05-H06	D12-H14	D14-H15	D32-H12
Nucleotide /ATP-binding	1.22E-03	NA	1.33E-04	NA	NA	NA	4.07E-08	NA	5.22E-05
Chloroplast	NA	6.12E-03	1.34E-02	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	7.25E-03
Transmembrane helix	NA	NA	NA	6.20E-03	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Flowering	NA	NA	1.27E-02	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Ligase	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	2.01E-02	NA	NA

Figure S1. Patterns of Dune-Headland FST, CSS and Δp in *S. lautus*

(A) Relationship between the change in allele frequency (Δ*p*) and F_{ST} comparing all Dune vs all Headland individuals, each datapoint representing a SNP. Red denotes the top 1% F_{ST} values. **(B)** Relationship of Δ*p* to the cluster separation score (CSS). Red denotes the top 1% CSS values. **(C)** Relationship of F_{ST} and CSS. Red denotes the SNPs considered as outliers, being detected as outliers in at least two of the following approaches: top 1% F_{ST}, top 1% CSS, and *BayeScan* posterior probability > 0.91.

Figure S2. Principal components analysis of plant architecture and leaf traits in coastal ecotypes of *S. lautus*

Principal component analysis of Dune (orange) and Headland (green) phenotypes for **(A)** five plant architecture, and **(B)** four leaf traits across 20 populations. Ecotypes are delimited by 70% probability ellipses.

Figure S3. Trait-by-trait effect sizes in coastal ecotypes of *S. lautus*

Partial effect sizes (partial η^2) for the ecotype and pair for the trait-by-trait linear models, each dot representing a single trait. The red represents the partial effect size for all traits combined within the MANOVA. Dashed line is a 1:1 ratio, where points above the line represent a larger contribution of broad- to narrow-sense divergence. See Table S4 for details.

Figure S4. Phenotypic Change Vector Analysis for plant architecture traits in costal ecotypes from *S. lautus*

(A) PC1 and PC2 for five plant architecture traits across eight replicate Dune-Headland pairs. Each dot represents the population centroid (multivariate phenotypic mean), ± SE. The Dune (orange) and Headland (green) populations of a replicate pair are connected with a line. **(B)** Frequency distribution of the 28 pairwise phenotypic divergences (ΔL) between Dune-Headland replicate pairs (Supplementary Table S7). **(C)** Frequency distribution of the 28 pairwise contribution of traits (θ) between Dune-Headland replicate pairs (Supplementary Table S10).

Figure S5. Phenotypic Change Vector Analysis for leaf traits in costal ecotypes from *S. lautus*

(A) PC1 and PC2 for four leaf traits across eight replicate Dune-Headland pairs. Each dot represents the population centroid (multivariate phenotypic mean), ± SE. The Dune (orange) and Headland (green) populations of a replicate pair are connected with a line. **(B)** Frequency distribution of the 28 pairwise phenotypic divergences (ΔL) between Dune-Headland replicate pairs (Supplementary Table S8). **(C)** Frequency distribution of the 28 pairwise contribution of traits (θ) between Dune-Headland replicate pairs (Supplementary Table S11).

Figure S6. Relative contributions of broad- and narrow-sense genotypic parallelism

Partial effect sizes (partial η^2) for the ecotype and the pair for the linear models for nucleotide sites **(A)** genes **(B)**. Each dot represents either a single SNP **(A)** or gene **(B)**. Dashed line is a 1:1 ratio, where points above the line represent a larger contribution of broad- to narrow-sense parallelism. The red dotes denotes broad-sense outlier SNPs **(A)** and genes **(B)**. Partial effect size frequency distributions for the nucleotide sites **(C)** and genes **(D)**. Values above zero represent a larger contribution of broad- to narrow-sense parallelism.

Figure S7. Broad-sense parallel nucleotide sites with concordant allele frequency differences

Broad-sense parallel nucleotide sites with concordant allele frequency differences (approach 2) in either all nine (S-statistic = 9, P = 0.004), or eight (S-statistic = 8, P = 0.04) replicate pairs. Dots represent the allele frequency value (of the reference allele) for each population. Lines connect the Dune (orange) populations to their Headland (green) pair. Dashed lines represent pairs whose Dune-Headland change in allele frequency is in the opposite direction from the majority of pairs. *G* denotes SNPs that occur within genic regions. These genes are as follows (left to right, top to bottom): *AT5G14540*, NA, *AT5G04420*, *CNGC1*, *OVA9*, *AT5G65740*, *EMB3144*, *HCT*. Asterisks denote SNPs that were also detected as outliers within approach 1 (see *Methods* for details).

Figure S8. Broad-sense genotypic parallel evolution: nucleotide site and gene

Summary of the broad-sense outlier nucleotide sites and genes across approach 1 (blue box), approach 2 (green box) and the best candidates (orange box). See main text for details of each approach.

	Approach 1 (highly differentiated comparing Dune vs Headland)	**Approach 2** (concordant allele frequency changes across replicate pairs)	**Best candidates** (common to both approaches)
Nucleotide sites	**93 SNPs** (54 genic; 39 non-genic)	**15 SNPs** (9 genic; 6 non-genic)	**5 SNPs** (3 genic; 2 non-genic)
Genes	**49 genes** (Table S12)	**9 genes** (Table S12)	**3 genes** (*AT5G04420, AT5G14540*)

Supplementary R code

R code for Phenotypic Change Vector Analysis

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# The following function estimates vector lengths, contrast, angles, and
# associated p values for differences between traits in multivariate space
# between two pairs of populations. Code adapted from Collyer & Adams (2007)

CollyerAdamsPCVA <- function(y.mat, x.mat, nPermutations = 9999) {
# First step: finalise the two x matrices (full and reduced)
x.mat.full<-x.mat
x.mat.red<-x.mat.full[,-4] # This removes the coding for the interaction effect

# Second step, estimate parameters for full and reduced models
b.mat.full<-solve(  (t(x.mat.full)%*%x.mat.full)  ) %*% (t(x.mat.full)%*%y.mat)
b.mat.red<-solve((t(x.mat.red)%*%x.mat.red))%*%(t(x.mat.red)%*%y.mat)

# Third step, Estimate LS means

# In this case, but not necessarily always, a = species and b = locality
# Vectors will be calculated for 2 species, a1 (P. jordani) and a2 (P. teyahalee)
# In our example the following dummy variables were used:
# P. jordani = 1, P. teyahalee = -1, sympatry = 1, allopatry = -1
# Thus, LS means could be calculated as follows:

a1b1<-cbind(1,1,1,1)
a1b2<-cbind(1,1,-1,-1)
a2b1<-cbind(1,-1,1,-1)
a2b2<-cbind(1,-1,-1,1)

x.ls.full<-rbind(a1b1,a1b2,a2b1,a2b2)
x.ls.red<-x.ls.full[,-4]

obs.ls.full<-x.ls.full%*%b.mat.full  # Observed ls means (full model)
obs.ls.red<-x.ls.red%*%b.mat.red     # Observed ls means (reduced model)

# Fourth Step, vector and statistics calculations

obs.a1.vect<-obs.ls.full[1,]-obs.ls.full[2,] # These are the phenotypic change vectors
obs.a2.vect<-obs.ls.full[3,]-obs.ls.full[4,]

obs.d.a1<-c(sqrt(t(obs.a1.vect)%*%obs.a1.vect)) # These are lengths of vectors
obs.d.a2<-c(sqrt(t(obs.a2.vect)%*%obs.a2.vect))

obs.contrast<-abs(obs.d.a1-obs.d.a2)
obs.angle<-c(acos(t((obs.a1.vect)/obs.d.a1)%*%((obs.a2.vect)/obs.d.a2)))
obs.angle<-obs.angle*180/pi  # This step is only necessary to convert radians to degrees

# Fifth Step, set-up permutation procedure

y.hat<-x.mat.red%*%b.mat.red    # Predicted values from reduced model
y.res<-y.mat-y.hat              # Resdiuals of reduced mode (these are the permuted units)

# PERMUTATION PROCEDURE

# Need to set-up distributions to be generated

dist.d1<-NULL
dist.d1<-rbind(dist.d1,obs.d.a1) # Observed value is first random value
dist.d2<-NULL
dist.d2<-rbind(dist.d2,obs.d.a2) # Observed value is first random value
dist.contrast<-NULL
dist.contrast<-rbind(dist.contrast,obs.contrast) # Observed value is first random value
dist.angle<-NULL
dist.angle<-rbind(dist.angle,obs.angle) # Observed value is first random value

# In addition to saving random values, it is wise to save the outcome of comparisons
# of observed and random values.
# This can be done with logical statements (below).
# Separate distributions are created for these comparisons.
# The 'p' indicates that these distributions will be used
# to calculate empirical probabilities.

pdist.contrast<-NULL
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```r
pdist.contrast<-rbind(pdist.contrast,1)
pdist.angle<-NULL
pdist.angle<-rbind(pdist.angle,1)

for(i in 1:nPermutations){
            y.res.rand <- y.res[sample(1:nrow(y.res)), ]

            # Create random values
            y.rand<-y.hat+y.res.rand

            # Estimate parameters
            b.mat.rand<-solve((t(x.mat.full)%*%x.mat.full))%*%(t(x.mat.full)%*%y.rand)

            # Calculate LS means
            rand.ls.full<-x.ls.full%*%b.mat.rand

            # Repeat fourth step for random data!

            rand.a1.vect<-rand.ls.full[1,]-rand.ls.full[2,] # These are the phenotypic change vectors
            rand.a2.vect<-rand.ls.full[3,]-rand.ls.full[4,]

            rand.d.a1<-c(sqrt(t(rand.a1.vect)%*%rand.a1.vect)) # These are lengths of vectors
            rand.d.a2<-c(sqrt(t(rand.a2.vect)%*%rand.a2.vect))

            rand.contrast<-abs(rand.d.a1-rand.d.a2)
            rand.angle<-c(acos(t((rand.a1.vect)/rand.d.a1)%*%((rand.a2.vect)/rand.d.a2)))
            rand.angle<-rand.angle*180/pi  # This step is only necessary to convert radians to degrees

            # Append distributions

            dist.d1<-rbind(dist.d1,rand.d.a1)
            dist.d2<-rbind(dist.d2,rand.d.a2)
            dist.contrast<-rbind(dist.contrast,rand.contrast)
            dist.angle<-rbind(dist.angle,rand.angle)

            aa<-ifelse(rand.contrast>=obs.contrast,1,0)
            bb<-ifelse(rand.angle>=obs.angle,1,0)

            pdist.contrast<-rbind(pdist.contrast,aa)
            pdist.angle<-rbind(pdist.angle,bb)
}

# Empirical probabilities are calculated as follows

p.contrast<-sum(pdist.contrast)/(nPermutations+1)
p.angle<-sum(pdist.angle)/(nPermutations+1)

return(c(length.v1 = obs.d.a1,
        length.v2 = obs.d.a2,
        contrast = obs.contrast,
        p.contrast = p.contrast,
        angle = obs.angle,
        p.angle = p.angle))
}

# The following R code generates the required files to be used with the CollyerAdamsPCVA function

# 'master.file' is the entire phenotyping file, first column the pair, second column the ecotype,third column the population ID, the other columns the phenotype data
master.file <- read.delim ("path-to-file/allTraitsPairs", header = TRUE)

# extract the unique elements of the first column (the pair)
pairs <- unique(master.file$Pair)

# create all possible pairwise comparisons
pairwise <-combn(pairs, 2)

# create empty data frame for the results
results <- data.frame(pair1 = pairwise[1,],
            pair2 = pairwise[2,],
            length.v1 = NA,
            length.v2 = NA,
            contrast = NA,
            p.contrast = NA,
            angle = NA,
            p.angle = NA)

for(i in 1:ncol(pairwise)) {
```

```r
            # subset master file to generate proto-y.mat
            y.mat <- master.file[ master.file$Pair %in% pairwise[, i], ]

            # generate x.mat
            x.mat <- matrix(NA, nrow = nrow(y.mat), ncol = 4)  # empty matrix
            x.mat[,1] <- 1  # intercept
            x.mat[,3] <- 2 * (y.mat$Ecotype == "Dune") - 1  # 1 for dunes, -1 for headlands
            x.mat[,2] <- 2 * (y.mat$Pair == pairwise[1,i]) - 1  # 1 for pair 1, -1 for pair 2
            x.mat[,4] <- x.mat[,2] * x.mat[,3]  # interaction

            # modify y.mat to fit requirements
            y.mat <- as.matrix(y.mat[, -(1:3)])

            # run CollyerAdamsPCVA function on the two matrices
            results[i, 3:ncol(results)] <- CollyerAdamsPCVA(y.mat, x.mat)
}

write.table(results,file="path-to-file/PCVA_results.txt",row.names=FALSE,col.names=TRUE,quote=FALSE)
```

R code for cluster separation score (CSS)

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#Define the path
path <- "/Users/maddiejames/Desktop/ESC/MDS/"
#Get a list of the input files (all files within the path)
allFiles <- list.files(path = path, pattern = "\\.mds$")
#Create a dataframe to store the data
CSSsnp <- data.frame(allFiles)
names <- c("CSS")
CSSsnp[ , names] <- NA
#Open each file and calculate CSS
for(k in 1:length(allFiles)) {
  MDSall<-read.delim(paste0(path,allFiles[k]), header=T, sep="")
  #Create the ecotype column
  ecotype<-substr(MDSall$IID, start = 1, stop = 1)
  MDSall<-cbind(Ecotype = ecotype, MDSall)
  #Replace the D with Dune and H with Headland
  MDSall$Ecotype <- gsub('D', 'Dune', MDSall$Ecotype)
  MDSall$Ecotype <- gsub('H', 'Headland', MDSall$Ecotype)
  #Subet the data into Dunes and Headlands
  MDSdune <- MDSall[MDSall$Ecotype=='Dune', ]
  MDSheadland <- MDSall[MDSall$Ecotype=='Headland', ]

  #Calculate the number of Dune individuals
  m <- nrow(MDSdune)
  #Calculate the number of Headland individuals
  n <-  nrow(MDSheadland)

  #Calculate the between group distance
  sumBetween <- 0
  for(i in 1:m) {
   for(j in 1:n) {
     sumBetween <- sumBetween + abs(MDSdune$C1[i] - MDSheadland$C1[j])
   }
  }

  #Calculate the within Dune distance
  sumWithinDune <- 0
  for(i in 1:(m-1)) {
    sumWithinDune <- sumWithinDune + abs(MDSdune$C1[i] - MDSdune$C1[i+1])
  }

  #Calculate the within Headland distance
  sumWithinHeadland <- 0
  for(j in 1:(n-1)) {
    sumWithinHeadland <- sumWithinHeadland + abs(MDSheadland$C1[j] - MDSheadland$C1[j+1])
  }

  #Calculate the CSS
  CSSsnp$CSS[k] <- sumBetween/(m*n) - (m+n)*(sumWithinDune/(m^2 * (m-1)) + sumWithinHeadland/(n^2 * (n-1)))
}

 #Print the results
write.table(CSSsnp, file="/Users/maddiejames/Desktop/ESC/CSSsnp_ESC.txt", row.names = FALSE, col.names = TRUE, quote = FALSE)
```