

# Seasonal Fluctuation and Vertical Microdistribution of Drosophilid Flies Dwelling in the Broad-Leaved Forests on Cheju-Do (Quelpart Island)\*

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Community organization of the drosophilid flies was investigated with respect to the seasonal variation in species abundance and vertical microdistribution on the basis of the trapped collections in the two natural forests on Cheju-do from May to October 1994. The dominant species were *Drosophila bizonata*, *D. curviceps*, *D. lutescens*, *D. angularis*, *D. tsigana* and *D. immigrans* in the annual collections. The pattern in seasonal changes of the dominant species was similar at the two survey sites. Seasonal fluctuation in the species diversity was more affected by evenness than by species richness (number of species). The seasonal variation of abundance showed a unimodal pattern in all of the dominant species. The seasonal patterns of vertical microdistribution revealed difference in some of the dominant species between the two survey sites. These results suggest that the predominant species in the forest avoid niche overlap by means of seasonal separation of breedings and that the vertical microdistribution is strongly affected by factors associated with season and vertical site in the deep wooded forests.

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Investigations on seasonal fluctuation and vertical microdistribution of the drosophilid flies are very important in order for discussing ecological niche of the species in the community. However, information on ecological structure of the drosophilid flies in the natural forests is still insufficient in Korea.

In the past fifteen years, investigations have made some progress into the distributional and ecological feature of drosophilid flies in Cheju Island (Quelpart Is.) (Kim, 1984; Kim, 1985; Kim and Ko, 1994; Kwon and Toda, 1981).

The present paper reports some accounts of seasonal fluctuation and vertical microdistribution of the drosophilid flies surveyed in the natural broad-leaved forests at the southern part of Cheju-

do (Quelpart Is.) from May to October in 1994.

## Methods

Two different sites were selected each from the stream side near Namsö-kyo Bridge of Ipsök-dong, Sögwipo City and Suak-kyo Bridge of Suak Valley. Namsö-kyo Bridge and Suak-kyo Bridge are located at about 5 and 15 km northeast of the center of Sögwipo City, respectively, which is located in the southern slope of Mt. Hallasan. The elevations of the sites are 280 and 520 m above the sea level, respectively.

From the 1st of May through to the 22nd of October 1994, forest-dwelling drosophilid flies in

the two study sites were investigated twice a month.

Collections were made at one point of each site. Samples were collected with two weeks interval by the "retainer" traps (Toda, 1977) baited with fermenting banana pieces to which water suspension of Baker's yeast was added. At each site, six traps were set at six different heights, 0 m, 1 m, 2 m, 3 m, 4 m, and 5 m above the ground. Five traps were lifted up by a cable hung from a thick branch of one tree (*C. cuspidata* var. *sieboldii* NAKAI). One trap was tied on the heel of the tree. Baited traps were left out for seven days. The trapped specimens were collected to polypropylene bottles containing 70% ethanol.

Collections may be classified by difference in season and vertical sites. In each case the contribution made by the particular niche component can be investigated by looking at not only the differences of the relative abundance but also the vertical microdistribution gradient. In order to investigate seasonal assemblage of the communities, the 95% confidence limits of relative percentages of the component species were calculated by using the Sakuma's (1964) formula,

$$\{n/N \pm \sqrt{n(N-n)/N^3}\} \times 100$$

where  $N$  is the total number of individuals and  $n$  is the number of individual of a species. Next the limits of the mean percentage can be calculated in the same way by using the mean number of individuals ( $n = N/S$ , where  $S$  = the total number of species) instead of  $n$ .

The contribution of microhabitat and season to the diversity of species present in these sites was sought by use of the Shannon-Weaver (1949) function for information or uncertainty;

$$H' = -\sum P_i \ln P_i$$

where  $P_i$  is the proportion of species  $i$  to the total collection. Two components of diversity, namely species richness and evenness of distribution of species abundance patterns, are combined in the Shannon-Weaver function. The species richness was represented by the total number of species in a collection. The evenness was measured by using the following index:

$$E = \frac{e^{H'}}{S}$$

The similarity in the species composition between two collections in different seasons or that in different layers was calculated by using Morisita's index (Morisita, 1959):

$$C_\lambda = \frac{2 \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} N_{1i} \cdot N_{2i}}{(\lambda_1 + \lambda_2)}$$

$$\lambda_1 = \frac{\sum_{i=0}^{\infty} n_{1i} (n_{1i} - 1)}{N_1(N_1 - 1)}, \quad \lambda_2 = \frac{\sum_{i=0}^{\infty} n_{2i} (n_{2i} - 1)}{N_2(N_2 - 1)}$$

where  $N_1$  and  $N_2$  are the total number of individuals occurring in the 1st and 2nd collection, respectively and  $n_{1i}$  and  $n_{2i}$  are the number of individuals on  $i$ th species in each collection. This index varying from 0 to about 1, corresponds in the degree of overlapping in the species composition between the two collections.

Vertical microdistribution gradient index ( $g$ ) was given by the following formula (Toda, 1973b).

$$g = \sum_{i=1}^5 \frac{f_{i+1} - f_i}{h_{i+1} - h_i} \quad (-1 \leq g \leq 1)$$

where,  $f_i$  is the percentage ratio of the specimens collected at the height,  $h_i$ .

## Results and Discussion

The vegetation of these areas formed a forest of broad-leaved evergreen trees. The undergrowth layers were very sparse, and almost all surface of the ground was covered with fallen decayed leaves in both sites. The floras were as follows:

Namsō-kyo (NS): *Castanopsis cuspidata* var. *sieboldii* Nakai, *Quercus acuta* Thunb., *Q. glauca* Thunb., *Q. serrata* Thunb., *Camellia japonica* L., *Distylium racemosum* S. et Z., *Eurya japonica* Thunb., *Euscaphis japonica* (Thunb.) Kanitz, *Dendropanax morbifera* Lev., *Damnacanthus indicus* Gaertner, *Pittosporum tobira* Ait., *Ficus nipponica* Fr. et Sav., *Trachelospermum asiaticum* var. *intermedium* Nakai, *Ardisia crenata* Sims, *Ardisia japonica* Bl., *Rumohra*

*amabilis* (Bl.) Ching.

Suak-kyo (SA) : *C. cuspidata* var. *sieboldii* Nakai, *Q. acuta* Thunb., *Q. glauca* Thunb., *C. japonica* L., *E. japonica* Thunb., *D. morbifera* Lev., *Acer palmatum* Thunb., *Daphniphyllum macropodum* Miq., *D. racemosum* S. et Z., *Cinnamomum japonicum* Sieb., *Machilus japonica* S. et Z., *T. asiaticum* var. *intermedium* Nakai, *A. japonica* Bl.

### Species composition and relative abundance of drosophilid flies

A total of 72,751 flies was collected, which was represented by 29 species belonging to 7 genera (Table 1). The drosophilid community of the site NS was composed of a total of 42,683 flies belonging to 29 species of 7 genera and that of the site SA was composed of a total of 30,068 flies belonging to 25 species of 6 genera. The abundant species were *Drosophila lutescens*, *D. triauraria*, *D. angularis*, *D. bizonata*, and *D. curviceps* at the site NS. They accounted for about 90% of the total annual collection. At the SA site, however, *D. lutescens*, *D. angularis*, *D. bizonata*, *D. curviceps*, *D. immigrans*, and *D. tsigana* were the abundant species among the whole collection. These six species accounted for about 89% of the total annual collection. *Drosophila bizonata* was the predominant species at both sites. These patterns of species composition might have been related to the collection method. Most of the rare species in trapped populations have been known to be collected by the use of net sweeping (Suzuki, 1955; Momma, 1965; Kimura, 1976).

*Drosophila tsigana* Burla and Gloor (syn. *D. pengi* Okada and Kurokawa) (Watabe *et al.*, 1990) is newly recorded from Quelpart Is.

From their relative abundances, association of these species can be represented by seasonal assemblage as follows:

**Spring assemblage:** *Drosophila curviceps*, *D. lutescens*, *D. immigrans*, *D. tsigana* and *D. bifasciata* at the site NS and *D. curviceps*, *D. lutescens*, *D. tsigana*, *D. immigrans*, *D. bifasciata* and *D. sternopleuralis* at the site SA.

**Summer assemblage:** *Drosophila triauraria*, *D. lutescens*, *D. immigrans*, *D. tsigana*, *D.*

*curviceps*, *D. busckii*, *D. melanogaster*, *D. bizonata*, *D. angularis* at the site NS and *D. lutescens*, *D. curviceps*, *D. immigrans*, *D. lacertosa*, *D. triauraria*, *D. histrio*, *D. bizonata*, *D. tsigana*, *D. bifasciata*, *Hirtodrosophila confusa*, *Amiota okadai*, *D. busckii*, *D. melanogaster* and *D. suzukii* at the site SA.

**Autumn assemblage:** *Drosophila bizonata*, *D. triauraria*, *D. angularis*, *D. lutescens*, *D. suzukii*, *D. melanogaster*, *D. sternopleuralis*, *D. immigrans* and *D. histrio* at the site NS and *D. bizonata*, *D. angularis*, *D. lutescens*, *D. lacertosa*, *D. melanogaster*, *D. triauraria*, *D. bifasciata*, *D. sternopleuralis*, *D. immigrans*, *D. histrio*, *D. unispina*, *D. tsigana*, *Amiota okadai* and *D. curviceps* at the site SA.

### Seasonal variation of species diversity

The seasonal fluctuation of species diversity is represented in Fig. 1. The species diversities at both sites were stable throughout the seasons, although they showed a weak bimodality with two peaks in June or July and September. The fluctuation depended more evenness than species richness. However, both components of species diversity compensated each other at the site SA in August and at the site NA in September.

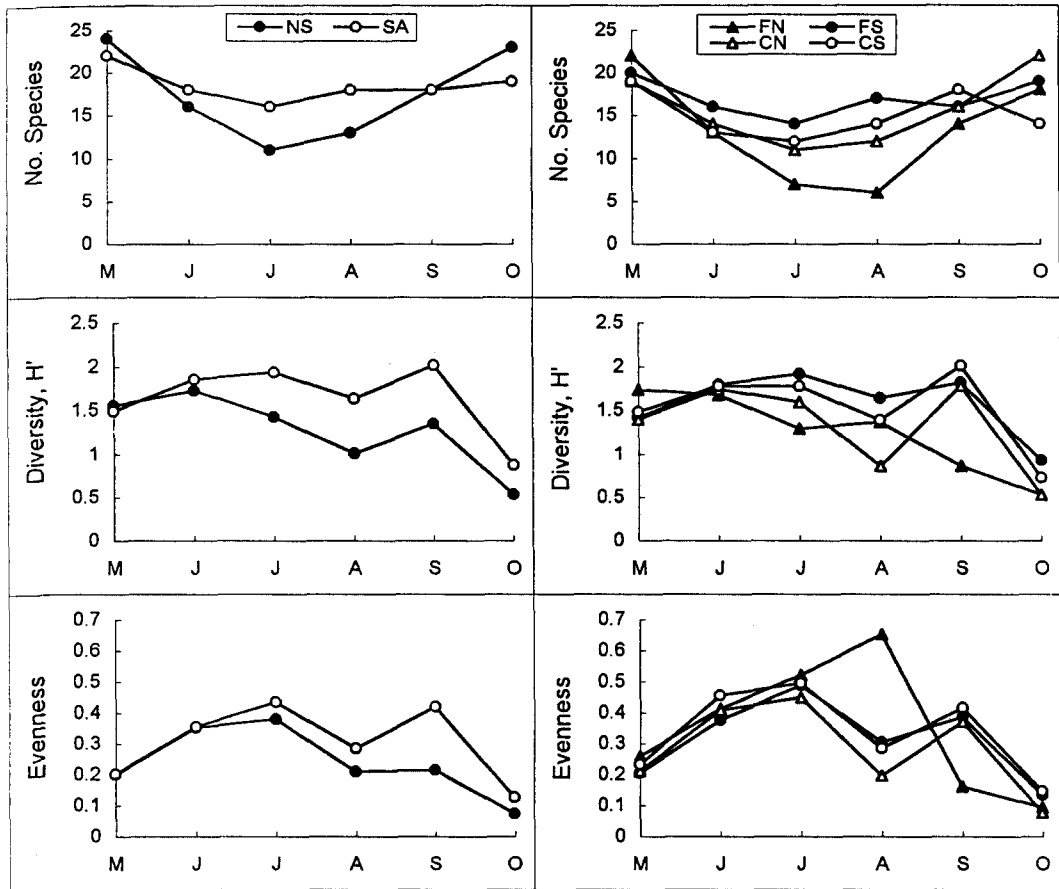
The species diversity peaked at the site NS and SA in June and September, respectively. And the community structure was more diverse at the site SA than at the site NS. These differences of community structure might be related to the climatic conditions and tree phenology with the elevational difference. The difference of elevation between two sites is about 300 m.

A few species critically influenced the seasonal pattern of species diversity due to their relative abundance. An increase in the relative abundances of *Drosophila curviceps*, *D. lutescens*, *D. tsigana*, and *D. immigrans* in May and *D. bizonata*, and *D. angularis* in October resulted in a remarkable decrease in the evenness. At the site SA the sharp decrease of the evenness in August was due to an increase in the relative abundances of *D. lutescens*, *D. lacertosa*, *D. immigrans* and *D. triauraria*. The dominance of *D. lutescens* from May to August at the site NS and to September at the site SA appeared to contribute

Table 1. Temporal variation of the frequency (%) and the relative abundance\* of the forest-dwelling drosophilid species

No. Species May	Month					Total
	Jun.	Jul.	Aug.	Sep.	Oct.	
1 <i>Leucopenga orientalis</i>	0.005±0.009(±)	-	0.14±0.20(±)	0.110±0.128(±)	-	0.005±0.005(±)
2 <i>L. ornata</i>	0.009±0.013(±)	-	-	-	-	0.004±0.005(±)
3 <i>Amiota okadae</i>	0.005±0.009(±)	-	-	2.210±0.564(±)	0.910±0.315(±)	0.039±0.019(±)
4 <i>A. stylopuga</i>	0.023±0.021(±)	-	-	-	-	0.008±0.007(±)
5 <i>Scaptodrosophila coracina</i>	0.028±0.023(±)	0.045±0.090(±)	-	-	-	0.010±0.007(±)
6 <i>S. subtilis</i>	0.052±0.031(±)	0.135±0.156(±)	-	0.074±0.104(±)	0.276±0.174(±)	0.036±0.014(±)
7 <i>Hirtodrosophila histrioides</i>	0.169±0.056(±)	1.439±0.505(±)	2.219±0.776(±)	0.110±0.128(±)	0.303±0.183(±)	0.252±0.037(±)
8 <i>H. quadri vittata</i>	0.038±0.027(±)	-	-	-	-	0.005±0.007(±)
9 <i>H. sexvittata</i>	0.005±0.009(±)	0.045±0.090(±)	-	-	-	0.004±0.005(±)
10 <i>H. trivittata</i>	0.005±0.009(±)	-	-	-	-	0.002±0.005(±)
11 <i>Mycodrosophila gratiosa</i>	-	-	-	-	-	0.010±0.010(±)
12 <i>Drosophila busckii</i>	0.023±0.021(±)	5.353±0.955(±)	2.982±0.896(±)	-	-	0.007±0.008(±)
13 <i>D. bifasciata</i>	2.338±0.207(±)	2.519±0.665(±)	0.208±0.240(±)	0.331±0.221(±)	2.261±0.494(±)	0.150±0.038(±)
14 <i>D. lutescens</i>	22.717±0.574(++)	17.184±1.600(++)	30.166±2.417(++)	37.532±1.859(++)	10.232±1.007(++)	9.750±0.220(++)
15 <i>D. melanogaster</i>	0.784±0.121(±)	0.315±0.238(±)	3.051±0.906(±)	0.700±0.320(±)	4.826±0.712(±)	0.104±0.032(±)
16 <i>D. suzukii</i>	0.404±0.087(±)	0.810±0.380(±)	0.902±0.498(±)	0.147±0.147(±)	1.737±0.434(±)	0.075±0.027(±)
17 <i>D. triauraria</i>	0.019±0.019(±)	0.450±0.284(±)	0.347±0.310(±)	28.508±1.733(++)	35.439±1.589(++)	2.943±0.125(±)
18 <i>D. unipunctinata</i>	0.014±0.016(±)	-	0.069±0.139(±)	-	0.083±0.095(±)	0.010±0.007(±)
19 <i>D. agularis</i>	0.066±0.035(±)	0.090±0.127(±)	0.208±0.240(±)	0.994±0.381(±)	1.544±0.410(±)	12.870±0.329(++)
20 <i>D. bizonata</i>	0.793±0.122(±)	0.720±0.359(±)	6.103±1.261(±)	3.941±0.747(±)	29.454±1.514(++)	83.163±0.368(++)
21 <i>D. curviceps</i>	45.510±0.682(++)	31.309±1.967(++)	3.121±0.916(±)	0.295±0.208(±)	0.607±0.258(±)	0.608±0.076(±)
22 <i>D. sp. of curviceps</i> species-subgroup	-	0.045±0.090(±)	-	-	-	0.007±0.006(±)
23 <i>D. histrio</i>	0.038±0.027(±)	5.038±0.928(±)	0.139±0.196(±)	0.074±0.104(±)	1.489±0.402(±)	1.153±0.105(±)
24 <i>D. immigrans</i>	8.605±0.384(++)	18.983±1.664(++)	33.773±2.491(++)	8.029±1.043(++)	2.179±0.485(±)	0.311±0.151(++)
25 <i>D. lacertosa</i>	0.258±0.070(±)	1.709±1.550(±)	5.479±1.199(±)	16.059±1.409(++)	5.212±0.738(±)	0.302±0.054(±)
26 <i>D. tsigana</i>	16.051±0.503(++)	13.450±1.447(++)	11.096±1.654(++)	0.221±0.180(±)	0.883±0.311(±)	0.005±0.007(±)
27 <i>D. sternopleuralis</i>	1.638±0.174(±)	0.315±0.238(±)	-	0.516±0.275(±)	2.317±0.500(±)	0.147±0.038(±)
28 <i>D. unispina</i>	0.404±0.087(±)	0.045±0.090(±)	0.139±0.196(±)	0.110±0.128(±)	0.221±0.156(±)	0.601±0.076(±)
29 <i>Nesiodrosophila raridentata</i>	-	-	-	0.037±0.074(±)	0.028±0.055(±)	0.003±0.004(±)
Mean±SD	3.846±0.264	5.000±0.925	6.250±1.275	5.263±0.857	5.263±0.742	4.167±0.196
Total Individual No. (N)	21,301	2,223	1,442	2,715	3,626	41,444
Species No. (S)	26	20	17	19	19	24
						72,751

\*Relative abundance of component species was evaluated into three classes. Abundant (++), common (+), and rare (±) according to Kwon and Toda (1983). In comparison between the percentage range (95% confidence limit) of each species and that of the mean, the species is regarded to be 'abundant' when the lower limit of the former exceeds the upper limit of the latter, 'common' when the two ranges overlap, and 'rare' when opposite to the case of 'abundant'.



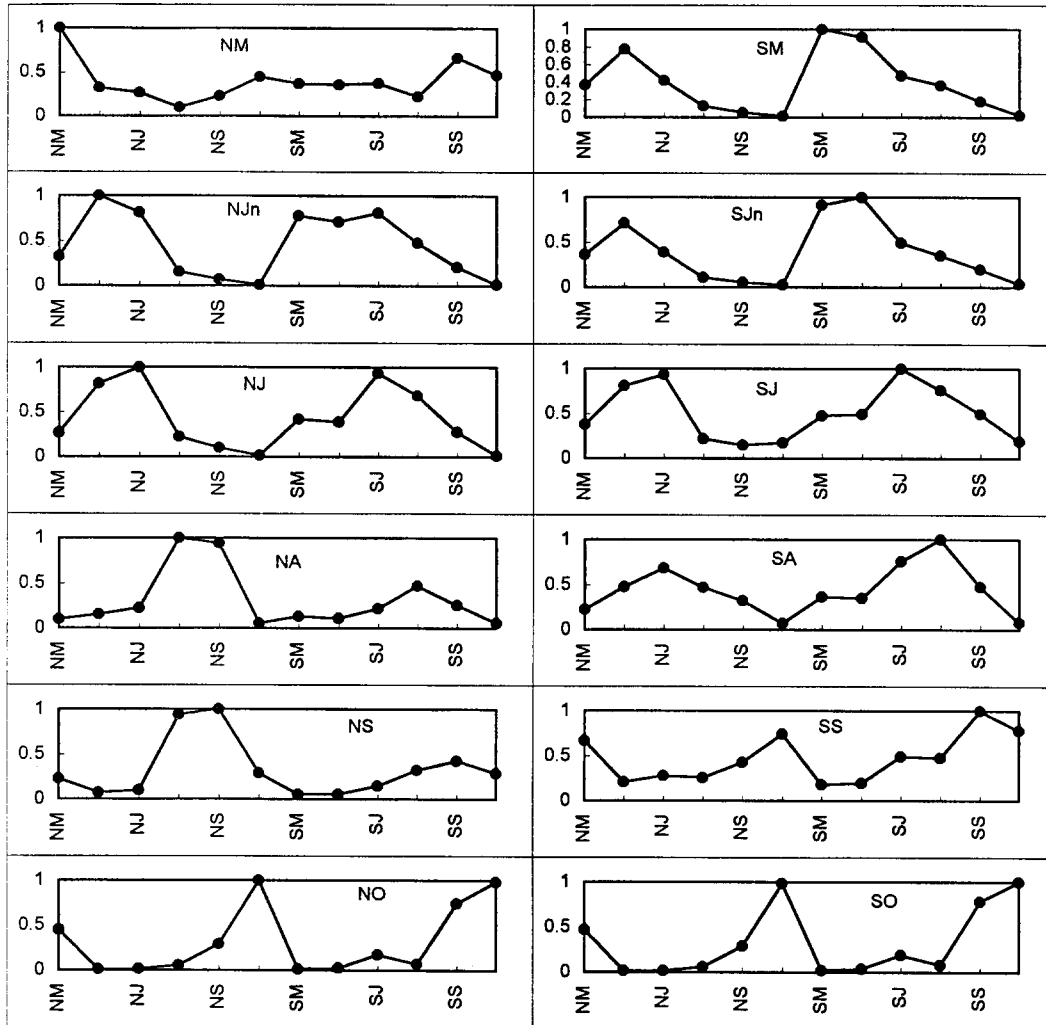
**Fig. 1.** Seasonal fluctuation in the species diversity of the forest-dwelling drosophilid flies. The legends represent the site Namso-kyo (NS) and the site Suak-kyo (SA) in the left column, and the floor (NF) and canopy (NC) collections at NS and the floor (SF) and canopy (SC) collections at SA in the right column.

to the stable species diversity.

The seasonal succession of drosophilid flies was not apparent (Fig. 2). Nevertheless, the species compositions (similarity) at the site NS are relatively closed to each other in August and September, and at the site SA in May and June. The patterns in the seasonal species compositions show great difference between the two sites, except in July and October. This phenomenon appeared to be mainly affected by the abundance of the commonest species. As mentioned above, the difference of the species composition may be related to the difference of the climatic condition and tree phenology with the elevational difference.

The seasonal changes in numbers of the eight commonest *Drosophila* species are shown in Fig.

3. There is a remarkable increase in the numbers of *D. curviceps*, *D. tsigana*, *D. immigrans* and *D. lutescens* in May. This increase may be coincident with the appearance of fungi and rotten nuts which provide a breeding site for these species in the forest. The numbers showed a sharp decrease in June and remain at this low level until October, when there is a remarkable increase in the numbers of *D. bizonata* and *D. angularis*. It was noted that there is a remarkable increase in the number of *D. triauraria* in August and peaked in September at the site NS. However, there is a remarkable increase in the numbers of *D. lacertosa* in August at the site SA. Among the commonest species *D. lutescens* only showed a bimodality in the seasonal distribution with a large



**Fig. 2.** Seasonal changes in species composition of forest-dwelling drosophilid flies. The similarity index between every two collections taken in different seasons and sites were calculated. Each curve represents a set of similarity indices to the collections shown by the dark circle. When the species compositions are similar to each other, the curves also show a similar pattern. Abbreviations represent the collections taken in different seasons and sites, i.e., NM, May at the site NS and SJn, June at the site SA, etc.

peak in May and a smaller one in August at the site SA.

The distributional pattern in some species of *Drosophila* in Cheju-do appeared to be different from that in Hokkaido, Japan. According to the regular autumn burst in forest near human habitations (Wakahama, 1957; Kaneko, 1960; Kaneko and Tokumitsu, 1963; Toda, 1973a), it has been postulated that *D. immigrans* increases its population from spring to summer in and near

human habitations, then invades into neighboring forest, there a homogeneous and well mixed population from late summer to autumn (Toda, 1974). The previous study on the seasonal activity of this species in Cheju-do revealed that this species increases its population from spring to summer far from human habitations (Kim, 1985). It has been also reported that *D. lutescens* is to be found around human habitations and *D. lacertosa* predominates at lower elevations in southern

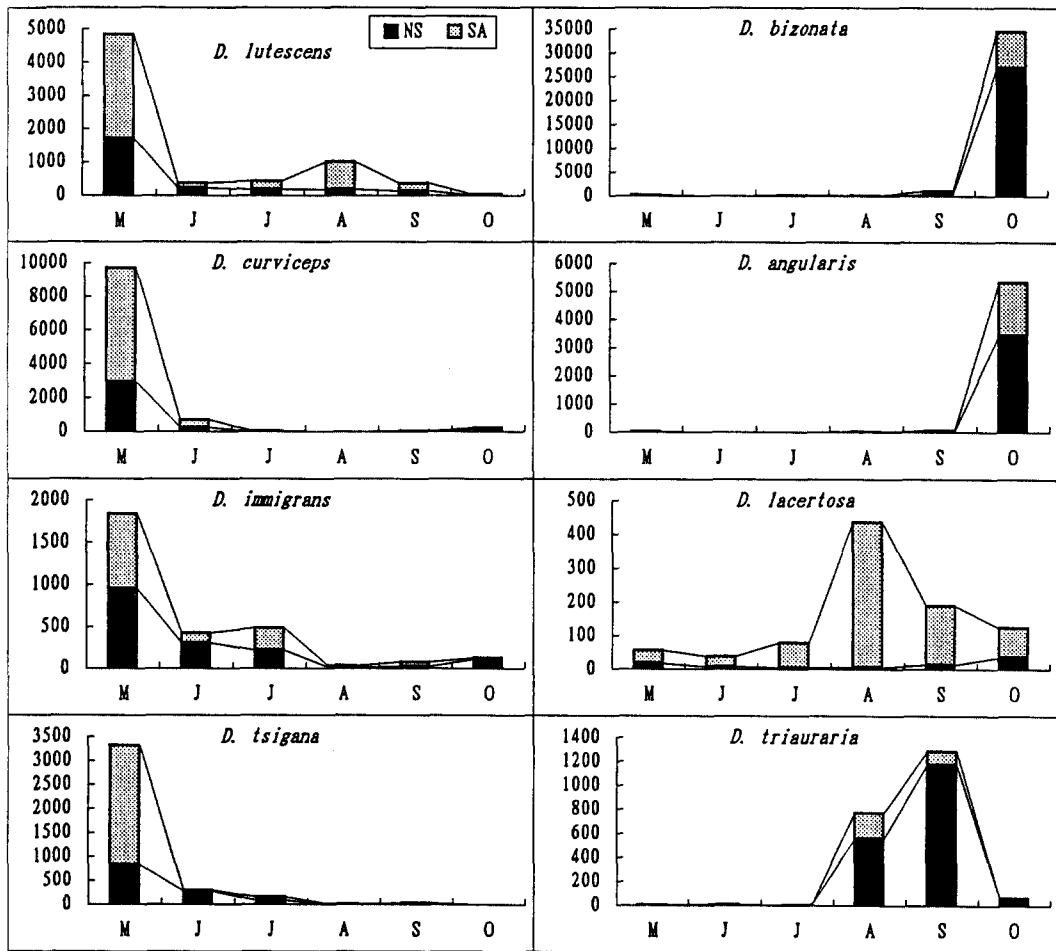


Fig. 3. Seasonal changes of the predominant species. NS and SA represent Namso-kyo and Suak-kyo sites, respectively. Abscissa month.

Hokkaido (Momma, 1957; Kaneko and Tokumitsu, 1963). However, in the present study *D. lutescens* was to be dominant in thick forests far from human habitations from May to September. In addition, *D. lacertosa* showed to be predominant rather at the higher elevation than at the lower, that is, this species predominated only at the site SA in August.

#### Vertical distribution pattern of drosophilid flies

It was observed that there was inconsistency in the vertical microdistribution gradient in almost species temporally and spatially (Table 2). In general, the gradient in vertical microdistribution

was downward direction in most predominant species, except *D. lutescens*. The direction was upward in this species, even though it was inverted in October at both sites. The gradient in vertical microdistribution could be affected by the numbers. The extreme case is when only one specimen has been caught at 0 or 5 m. Therefore, in order to minimize this effect the collections of six traps were classified two layers, i.e., the canopy layer defined as foliage 3-6 m above the ground and the floor layer 0-2 m above the ground, respectively.

The temporal and/or spatial differences were also observed in the seasonal pattern of vertical microdistribution with respect to the two layers in

**Table 2.** Temporal variation of the vertical microdistribution gradient indices of the drosophilid species in the whole community

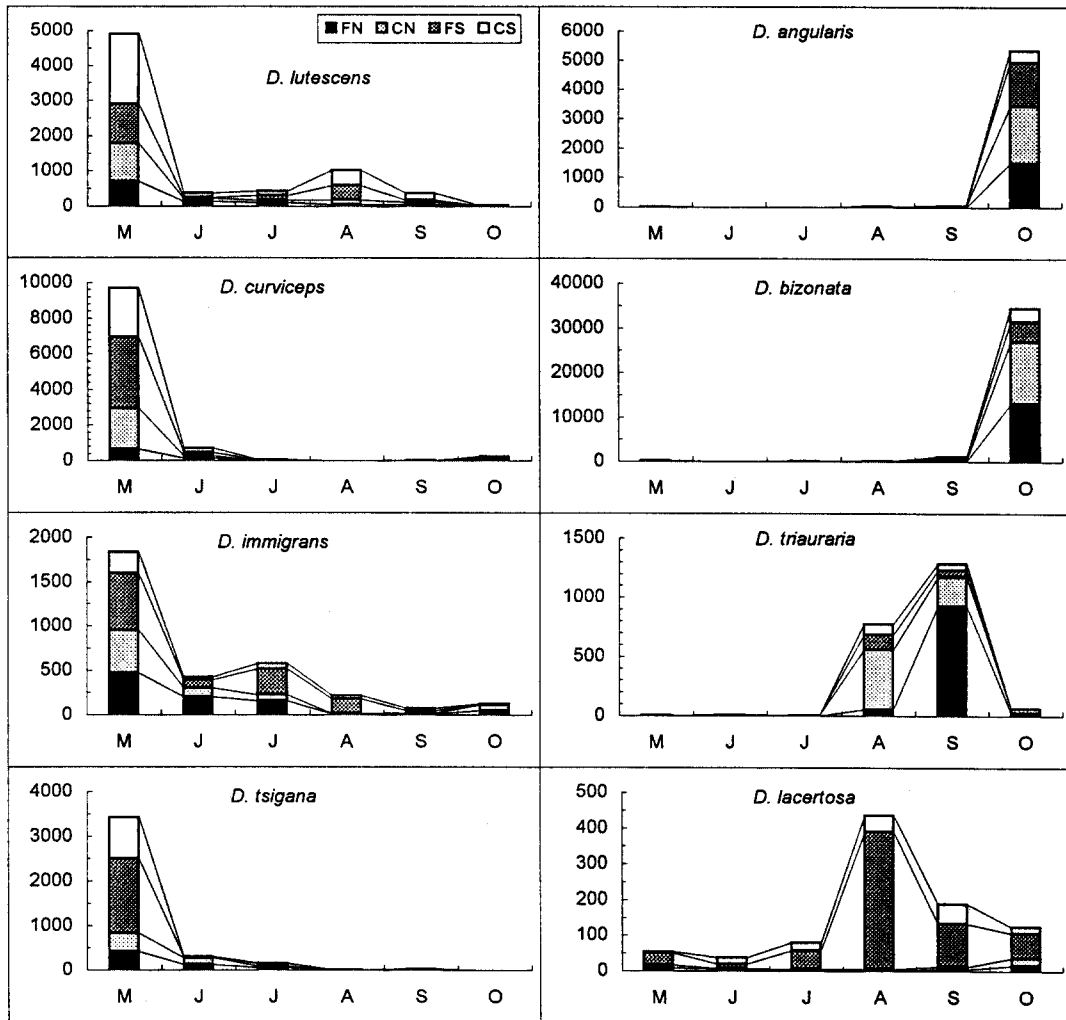
No. Species	May	Jun.	Jul.	Aug.	Sep.	Oct.	Total
1 <i>Leucophenga orientalis</i>	0.000		0.500	0.333			0.250
2 <i>L. ornata</i>	0.500					1.000	0.667
3 <i>Amiota okadai</i>	1.000			-0.083	-0.121	-0.063	-0.082
4 <i>A. stylopyga</i>	0.200					-1.000	0.000
5 <i>Scaptodrosophila coracina</i>	0.167	1.000					0.286
6 <i>S. subtilis</i>	-0.091	-1.000		-0.500	0.000		-0.192
7 <i>Hirtodrosophila histrioides</i>	0.167	-0.438	0.156	0.000	-0.273	-0.072	-0.060
8 <i>H. quadrivittata</i>	0.000					-1.000	-0.200
9 <i>H. sexvittata</i>	0.000	-1.000				1.000	-0.500
10 <i>H. trivittata</i>	-1.000					0.000	-0.500
11 <i>Mycodrosophila gratiosa</i>						-0.750	-0.750
12 <i>Drosophila busckii</i>	0.000	-0.110	0.047			-0.333	-0.071
13 <i>D. bifasciata</i>	0.034	0.464	0.667	0.000	0.744	-0.081	0.136
14 <i>D. lutescens</i>	0.242	0.060	0.115	0.018	0.226	-0.064	0.190
15 <i>D. melanogaster</i>	-0.030	-0.286	0.273	0.000	0.166	0.326	0.103
16 <i>D. suzukii</i>	0.244	-0.222	0.077	0.250	-0.016	-0.161	-0.708
17 <i>D. triauraria</i>	-0.250	-0.300	0.000	0.505	-0.505	-0.048	0.184
18 <i>D. unipunctinata</i>	0.000		0.000		1.000		0.250
19 <i>D. agularis</i>	-0.143	-0.500	-0.333	0.000	-0.357	-0.211	-0.209
20 <i>D. bizonata</i>	-0.112	-0.0188	-0.045	0.000	-0.139	-0.023	-0.026
21 <i>D. curviceps</i>	0.178	-0.089	0.044	0.125	-0.227	-0.175	0.052
22 <i>D. sp. of curviceps species-subgroup</i>		0.000				-0.500	-0.400
23 <i>D. histrio</i>	-0.125	-0.241	-0.500	0.000	-0.426	-0.372	-0.351
24 <i>D. immigrans</i>	-0.049	-0.280	-0.152	-0.126	0.025	0.062	-0.100
25 <i>D. lacertosa</i>	-0.236	-0.158	-0.051	-0.014	-0.286	-0.080	-0.100
26 <i>D. tsigana</i>	0.016	-0.119	-0.037	0.333	0.0125	0.000	0.005
27 <i>D. sternopleuralis</i>	-0.003	0.000		-0.071	0.310	0.131	0.062
28 <i>D. unispina</i>	-0.198	-1.000	-1.000	-0.667	0.000	-0.406	-0.352
29 <i>Nesiodrosophila raridentata</i>				1.000	0.000		0.500
Species No.	26	20	17	19	19	24	29

many predominant species (Fig. 4 and Table 3). In *D. lutescens*, the direction of vertical microdistribution was variable by month to month at the site NS, nevertheless it showed consistent upward direction at the site SA. In comparison of the cases that the direction of vertical microdistribution was significantly different at both sites, there are many cases that the directions are inverse between the two sites. Such difference would not be expected if the relative importance of the factors concerned is the same between the two sites. It is plausible that difference of the physical factors such as wind induced different responses at the two sites. In general there were many days with

strong wind at the site SA, even though wind velocity was not recorded. There are some reports that wind has markedly influenced on flying insects (Rudolfs, 1923). Hachiya (1952) observed that the *Drosophila* showed a very low activity all day in which wind retained strong, sometimes as far as over 10 m/sec. except a dawn calm and an evening calm. Ishihara (1955) described that the diurnal activity of *Drosophila* was affected by wind of more than 5 m/sec.

Kimura (1976) suggested that the decaying season of plants affects the breeding season and the seasonal fluctuation of the drosophilid flies dwelling among undergrowth plants, referring to





**Fig. 4.** Seasonal changes in vertical microdistributions of the predominant species. In the legend the first letter, F and C, represent the floor and canopy collections, and the second letters, N and S, represent the study site NS and SA, respectively. Abscissa is month.

several reports on breeding sites of some drosophilid species (Frost, 1924; Spencer, 1942; Heed, 1968; Momma, 1965; Pipkin, 1965). From the analysis of the distribution and abundance of woodland species of British *Drosophila*, it has been concluded that factors associated with season and vertical site are the most important components of the adult *Drosophila* niche (Shorrocks, 1975). As mentioned above, four species of *Drosophila*, *D. curviceps*, *D. tsigana*, *D. lutescens* and *D. immigrans*, were dominant in May. However, the

predominant species were *D. triauraria* (at the site NS) and *D. lacertosa* (at the site SA) in August and September, and *D. bizonata* and *D. angularis* in October. These results suggest that the predominant species in the forest avoid niche overlap by means of seasonal separation of breedings, nevertheless the decaying season of plants also may affect the breeding season. Furthermore, the vertical microdistribution of the flies seemed to be not affected only the breeding sites but also physical factors in the deep wooded forests. According to observation of differences in

**Table 3.** Seasonal comparison and significance ( $\chi$ -square test) of the individual numbers collected in the floor and canopy traps for the commonest species.

Species	Site <sup>a)</sup>	Layer	Month					
			May	Jun.	Jul.	Aug.	Sep.	Oct.
<i>D. lutescens</i>	NS	Floor	704 <sup>***</sup>	135 <sup>**</sup>	117 <sup>***</sup>	55 <sup>***</sup>	53 <sup>*</sup>	5
		Canopy	1,006	87	71	132	79	13
	SA	Floor	1,120 <sup>***</sup>	32 <sup>***</sup>	114	401	45 <sup>***</sup>	7 <sup>**</sup>
		Canopy	2,009	128	133	431	194	22
<i>D. triauraria</i>	NS	Floor	2	6	2	55 <sup>***</sup>	925 <sup>***</sup>	27
		Canopy	0	3	1	501	250	35
	SA	Floor	1	1	1	125 <sup>*</sup>	57	1
		Canopy	1	0	1	93	53	0
<i>D. angularis</i>	NS	Floor	3	1	0	9	8	1,498 <sup>***</sup>
		Canopy	1	0	0	5	16	1,945
	SA	Floor	9	1	3	3 <sup>*</sup>	27 <sup>***</sup>	1,488 <sup>***</sup>
		Canopy	10	0	5	403		
<i>D. bizonata</i>	NS	Floor	32	2	11	13	94 <sup>***</sup>	13,062 <sup>***</sup>
		Canopy	35	2	3	18	277	13,866
	SA	Floor	71 <sup>***</sup>	6	40	31	385 <sup>**</sup>	4,523 <sup>***</sup>
		Canopy	31	6	44	45	312	3,015
<i>D. curviceps</i>	NS	Floor	650 <sup>***</sup>	136	0	0	0	61 <sup>**</sup>
		Canopy	2,291	115	1	3	2	93
	SA	Floor	3,997 <sup>***</sup>	203 <sup>*</sup>	36 <sup>***</sup>	5 <sup>*</sup>	15 <sup>*</sup>	53
		Canopy	2,756	242	8	0	5	45
<i>D. immigrans</i>	NS	Floor	469	202 <sup>***</sup>	157 <sup>***</sup>	12	9	52
		Canopy	479	101	64	6	15	60
	SA	Floor	642 <sup>***</sup>	86 <sup>***</sup>	205 <sup>***</sup>	159 <sup>***</sup>	27	5
		Canopy	243	33	61	41	28	12
<i>D. lacertosa</i>	NS	Floor	9	5	0 <sup>*</sup>	0 <sup>*</sup>	5	16
		Canopy	8	2	5	6	8	21
	SA	Floor	33 <sup>***</sup>	12	52 <sup>***</sup>	383 <sup>***</sup>	119 <sup>***</sup>	69 <sup>***</sup>
		Canopy	5	19	22	47	57	19
<i>D. pengi</i>	NS	Floor	414	128	58 <sup>**</sup>	0	1	0
		Canopy	415	143	28	3	5	2
	SA	Floor	1,664 <sup>***</sup>	8 <sup>*</sup>	62 <sup>***</sup>	3	9	0
		Canopy	926	20	12	0	170	

a) NS. Namsŏ-kyo and SA. Suak-kyo.

\* $P < 0.05$ , \*\* $P < 0.01$ , and \*\*\* $P < 0.001$

the seasonal patterns of vertical microdistribution between the two survey sites, it is suggested that the vertical microdistribution is strongly affected by factors associated with season and vertical site in the deep wooded forests.

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제주도 활엽수림에 서식하는 초파리의 계절에 따른 변동과 수직 미분포

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