

Robert Boyd

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#	ARTICLE	IF	CITATIONS
1	In Search of Homo Economicus: Behavioral Experiments in 15 Small-Scale Societies. <i>American Economic Review</i> , 2001, 91, 73-78.	8.5	2,060
2	“Economic man” in cross-cultural perspective: Behavioral experiments in 15 small-scale societies. <i>Behavioral and Brain Sciences</i> , 2005, 28, 795-815.	0.7	1,625
3	The evolution of altruistic punishment. <i>Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences of the United States of America</i> , 2003, 100, 3531-3535.	7.1	1,601
4	Punishment allows the evolution of cooperation (or anything else) in sizable groups. <i>Ethology and Sociobiology</i> , 1992, 13, 171-195.	1.5	1,225
5	The Evolution of Conformist Transmission and the Emergence of Between-Group Differences. <i>Evolution and Human Behavior</i> , 1998, 19, 215-241.	2.2	1,080
6	Explaining altruistic behavior in humans. <i>Evolution and Human Behavior</i> , 2003, 24, 153-172.	2.2	1,015
7	The cultural niche: Why social learning is essential for human adaptation. <i>Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences of the United States of America</i> , 2011, 108, 10918-10925.	7.1	971
8	Why People Punish Defectors. <i>Journal of Theoretical Biology</i> , 2001, 208, 79-89.	1.7	821
9	Indirect reciprocity can stabilize cooperation without the second-order free rider problem. <i>Nature</i> , 2004, 432, 499-502.	27.8	814
10	The evolution of reciprocity in sizable groups. <i>Journal of Theoretical Biology</i> , 1988, 132, 337-356.	1.7	704
11	Culture and the evolution of human cooperation. <i>Philosophical Transactions of the Royal Society B: Biological Sciences</i> , 2009, 364, 3281-3288.	4.0	673
12	Was Agriculture Impossible during the Pleistocene but Mandatory during the Holocene? A Climate Change Hypothesis. <i>American Antiquity</i> , 2001, 66, 387-411.	1.1	606
13	Shared Norms and the Evolution of Ethnic Markers. <i>Current Anthropology</i> , 2003, 44, 122-130.	1.6	541
14	Coordinated Punishment of Defectors Sustains Cooperation and Can Proliferate When Rare. <i>Science</i> , 2010, 328, 617-620.	12.6	526
15	Group Beneficial Norms Can Spread Rapidly in a Structured Population. <i>Journal of Theoretical Biology</i> , 2002, 215, 287-296.	1.7	502
16	Why does culture increase human adaptability?. <i>Ethology and Sociobiology</i> , 1995, 16, 125-143.	1.5	430
17	Can Group-Functional Behaviors Evolve by Cultural Group Selection?: An Empirical Test. <i>Current Anthropology</i> , 1995, 36, 473-494.	1.6	426
18	No pure strategy is evolutionarily stable in the repeated Prisoner's Dilemma game. <i>Nature</i> , 1987, 327, 58-59.	27.8	393

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19	Group selection among alternative evolutionarily stable strategies. <i>Journal of Theoretical Biology</i> , 1990, 145, 331-342.	1.7	392
20	Five Misunderstandings About Cultural Evolution. <i>Human Nature</i> , 2008, 19, 119-137.	1.6	390
21	Gene-culture coevolution in the age of genomics. <i>Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences of the United States of America</i> , 2010, 107, 8985-8992.	7.1	358
22	A tale of two defectors: the importance of standing for evolution of indirect reciprocity. <i>Journal of Theoretical Biology</i> , 2003, 224, 115-126.	1.7	346
23	Punishment sustains large-scale cooperation in prestate warfare. <i>Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences of the United States of America</i> , 2011, 108, 11375-11380.	7.1	330
24	The evolution of indirect reciprocity. <i>Social Networks</i> , 1989, 11, 213-236.	2.1	279
25	Population size predicts technological complexity in Oceania. <i>Proceedings of the Royal Society B: Biological Sciences</i> , 2010, 277, 2559-2564.	2.6	263
26	Complex societies. <i>Human Nature</i> , 1999, 10, 253-289.	1.6	244
27	The Evolution of Ethnic Markers. <i>Cultural Anthropology</i> , 1987, 2, 65-79.	1.7	220
28	On Modeling Cognition and Culture: Why cultural evolution does not require replication of representations. <i>Journal of Cognition and Culture</i> , 2002, 2, 87-112.	0.4	214
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30	Mistakes allow evolutionary stability in the repeated prisoner's dilemma game. <i>Journal of Theoretical Biology</i> , 1989, 136, 47-56.	1.7	195
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32	Rapid cultural adaptation can facilitate the evolution of large-scale cooperation. <i>Behavioral Ecology and Sociobiology</i> , 2011, 65, 431-444.	1.4	184
33	Voting with your feet: Payoff biased migration and the evolution of group beneficial behavior. <i>Journal of Theoretical Biology</i> , 2009, 257, 331-339.	1.7	179
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35	Partial connectivity increases cultural accumulation within groups. <i>Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences of the United States of America</i> , 2016, 113, 2982-2987.	7.1	177
36	Cheap talk when interests conflict. <i>Animal Behaviour</i> , 2000, 59, 423-432.	1.9	165

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37	Division of Labor, Economic Specialization, and the Evolution of Social Stratification. <i>Current Anthropology</i> , 2008, 49, 715-724.	1.6	162
38	Strong Reciprocity and the Roots of Human Morality. <i>Social Justice Research</i> , 2008, 21, 241-253.	1.1	154
39	A method for assigning cardinal dominance ranks. <i>Animal Behaviour</i> , 1983, 31, 45-58.	1.9	140
40	Understanding cumulative cultural evolution. <i>Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences of the United States of America</i> , 2016, 113, E6724-E6725.	7.1	124
41	Cultural Innovations and Demographic Change. <i>Human Biology</i> , 2009, 81, 211-235.	0.2	121
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43	Sociobiology, culture and economic theory. <i>Journal of Economic Behavior and Organization</i> , 1980, 1, 97-121.	2.0	107
44	A Bayesian approach to the evolution of social learning. <i>Evolution and Human Behavior</i> , 2012, 33, 449-459.	2.2	101
45	Constraints on the Development of Agriculture. <i>Current Anthropology</i> , 2009, 50, 627-631.	1.6	98
46	The Big Man Mechanism: how prestige fosters cooperation and creates prosocial leaders. <i>Philosophical Transactions of the Royal Society B: Biological Sciences</i> , 2015, 370, 20150013.	4.0	97
47	Divide and conquer: intermediate levels of population fragmentation maximize cultural accumulation. <i>Philosophical Transactions of the Royal Society B: Biological Sciences</i> , 2018, 373, 20170062.	4.0	78
48	The role of evolved predispositions in cultural evolution. <i>Ethology and Sociobiology</i> , 1989, 10, 195-219.	1.5	63
49	The foundations of the human cultural niche. <i>Nature Communications</i> , 2015, 6, 8398.	12.8	63
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51	Developing a Theory of Animal Social Learning. , 1996, , 129-154.		61
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55	The Cultural Evolution of Technology. , 2013, , 119-142.		51
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58	Evolutionary dynamics of the continuous iterated Prisoner's dilemma. Journal of Theoretical Biology, 2007, 245, 258-267.	1.7	48
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60	Response to our critics. Biology and Philosophy, 2008, 23, 301-315.	1.4	45
61	Style, Function, and Cultural Evolutionary Processes. Interdisciplinary Contributions To Archaeology, 1996, , 133-164.	0.3	42
62	Third-party monitoring and sanctions aid the evolution of language. Evolution and Human Behavior, 2015, 36, 475-479.	2.2	40
63	Tragedy revisited. Science, 2018, 362, 1236-1241.	12.6	39
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65	The transition to agriculture in northwestern China. Developments in Quaternary Sciences, 2007, , 83-101.	0.1	36
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69	The cultural transmission of acquired variation: Effects on genetic fitness. Journal of Theoretical Biology, 1983, 100, 567-596.	1.7	28
70	Innovation: an emerging focus from cells to societies. Philosophical Transactions of the Royal Society B: Biological Sciences, 2017, 372, 20160414.	4.0	28
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72	Natural Selection and Culture. BioScience, 1984, 34, 430-434.	4.9	26

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74	A simple rule for the evolution of contingent cooperation in large groups. <i>Philosophical Transactions of the Royal Society B: Biological Sciences</i> , 2016, 371, 20150099.	4.0	15
75	The role of causal knowledge in the evolution of traditional technology. <i>Current Biology</i> , 2021, 31, 1798-1803.e3.	3.9	14
76	From Grooming to Giving Blood: The Origins of Human Altruism. , 2010, , 223-244.		14
77	The Evolution and Development of Inferential Reasoning about Ethnic Markers. <i>Current Anthropology</i> , 2016, 57, S131-S144.	1.6	12
78	The punishment that sustains cooperation is often coordinated and costly. <i>Behavioral and Brain Sciences</i> , 2012, 35, 20-21.	0.7	11
79	Arbitration supports reciprocity when there are frequent perception errors. <i>Nature Human Behaviour</i> , 2021, 5, 596-603.	12.0	9
80	How evolved psychological mechanisms empower cultural group selection. <i>Behavioral and Brain Sciences</i> , 2016, 39, e40.	0.7	6
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