

# 3506 Mathematical Ecology Notes

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## General Overview

Formal:

### Continuous Time

#### Single species models

- time dependent ODEs

1st order, 1 variable

explicitly integrate, graphical analysis

#### Two species models

- 1st order, time independent

pairs of ODEs in 2 variables

explicitly solve, phase plane analysis

### Discrete Time

$$I = (1)^q, (1)(1)q = (1)^q$$

$$(1)(1)q - 1 = 1b(1)^q$$

$$(1)(1)q - 1 = 1b(1)^q$$

single species discrete time models

$$N_{t+1} = f(N_t)$$

#### Age structured models

$$N_{t+1} = L N_t$$

Last part General models of n species interacting (pairwise), continuous time

Main tool = Lyapunov function

all qualitative.

## Single Species Models

### Some basic probability

Proposition:

For  $\delta t$  small let  $P(t)\delta t + O(\delta t^2)$  be the probability that some event E occurs in  $[t, t+\delta t]$ . Also assume events in disjoint time intervals are independent. Then the probability that no event occurs in  $[0, t]$  is

$$\exp\left(-\int_0^t P(s)ds\right)$$

Proof:  $P(t) = \text{prob}\{\text{no event occurs in } [0, t]\}$

$$P(t+\delta t) = \text{prob}\{\text{no } E \text{ in } [0, t+\delta t]\}$$

$$= \text{prob}\{\text{no } E \text{ in } [0, t]\} \text{ and prob}\{\text{no } E \text{ in } [t, t+\delta t]\}$$

$$= \text{prob}\{\text{no } E \text{ in } [0, t]\} \times \text{prob}\{\text{no } E \text{ in } [t, t+\delta t]\} \text{ by independence.}$$

$$\Rightarrow P(t+\delta t) = P(t) \times (1 - P(t)\delta t) + O(\delta t^2)$$

$$= P(t) - P(t)P(t)\delta t + O(\delta t^2)$$

$$P(t+\delta t) - P(t) = -P(t)P(t)\delta t + O(\delta t^2)$$

$\delta t$

Take limit  $\delta t \rightarrow 0$ .

$$\Rightarrow P'(t) = -P(t)P(t)$$

$P(0) = 1$  certain that no E happens in no time

$$P'(t) = -p(t)p(t), P(0) = 1, t \geq 0$$

$$\int \frac{P'(t)}{P(t)} dt = \int -p(t) dt$$

$$\Rightarrow \int_1^{\infty} \frac{dp}{p} = - \int_0^t p(s) ds$$

$$[\log P]_1 = - \int_0^t p(s) ds$$

$$\log P(t) = - \int_0^t p(s) ds$$

$$\Rightarrow P(t) = \exp \left( - \int_0^t p(s) ds \right)$$

Expected waiting time till first event.

**Assumption:**  $p(t)$  satisfies  $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} t \times \exp \left( - \int_0^t p(s) ds \right) = 0$

Probability that 1st event happens in  $[t, t+dt] = \exp \left( - \int_0^t p(s) ds \right) p(t) dt + o(dt^2)$

Note that  $\int_0^\infty p(t) \exp \left( - \int_0^t p(s) ds \right) dt = ?$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Note } \frac{d}{dt} \exp \left( - \int_0^t p(s) ds \right) &= \exp \left( - \int_0^t p(s) ds \right) \frac{d}{dt} \left( - \int_0^t p(s) ds \right) \\ &= -p(t) \exp \left( - \int_0^t p(s) ds \right) \end{aligned}$$

$$A = - \int_0^\infty p(t) \exp \left( - \int_0^t p(s) ds \right) dt$$

$$= - \int_0^\infty \frac{d}{dt} \exp \left( - \int_0^t p(s) ds \right) dt$$

$$= - \left[ \exp \left( - \int_0^t p(s) ds \right) \right]_0^\infty = -0 + 1$$

Since if  $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} t \exp \left( - \int_0^t p(s) ds \right) = 0$   
then certainly  $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \exp \left( - \int_0^t p(s) ds \right) = 0$

Expected time to 1st event

$$\bar{T} = \int_0^\infty t p(t) \exp \left( - \int_0^t p(s) ds \right) dt$$

Integration by parts:

$$= - \int_0^\infty t \frac{d}{dt} \exp \left( - \int_0^t p(s) ds \right) dt$$

$$= - \left\{ \left[ t \exp \left( - \int_0^t p(s) ds \right) \right]_0^\infty - \int_0^\infty \exp \left( - \int_0^t p(s) ds \right) dt \right\} = \int_0^\infty \exp \left( - \int_0^t p(s) ds \right) dt$$

→  
by assumption and on an enough  $t$  on wait waiting  $1 = 100$

Example:

$p(t) = \lambda$  constant

$$\bar{T} = \int_0^\infty \exp\left(-\int_0^t \lambda ds\right) dt$$

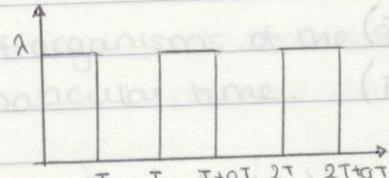
$$= \int_0^\infty \exp(-\lambda t) dt = \left[ \frac{1}{\lambda} \exp(-\lambda t) \right]_0^\infty = \frac{1}{\lambda}$$

Example:

Periodic  $p(t)$

Take  $a \in (0, 1)$

period  $T$  for  $p(t)$



Definition:

$$\text{K integer } \int_0^{kT} p(s) ds = \sum_{r=1}^k \int_{(r-1)T}^{rT} p(s) ds$$

number of individuals per unit area.

$$= \sum_{r=1}^k aT \times \lambda$$

$$= k\lambda aT$$

$$\text{Define } \bar{T}_K = \int_0^{kT} \exp\left(-\int_0^t p(s) ds\right) dt$$

since  $\bar{T} = \lim_{K \rightarrow \infty} \bar{T}_K$

$$= \sum_{r=1}^K \int_{(r-1)T}^{rT} \exp\left(-\int_0^t p(s) ds\right) dt$$

$$\Rightarrow \bar{T}_K = \sum_{r=1}^K \int_0^T \exp\left(-\int_0^{u+(r-1)T} p(s) ds\right) du$$

$$= \sum_{r=1}^K \int_0^T \exp\left(-\int_0^{(r-1)T} p(s) ds\right) - \int_{(r-1)T}^{u+(r-1)T} p(s) ds du$$

$$= \sum_{r=1}^K \int_0^T \exp\left(-\int_0^{(r-1)T} p(s) ds\right) \times \exp\left(-\int_{(r-1)T}^{u+(r-1)T} p(s) ds\right) du$$

$$= \sum_{r=1}^K e^{-r\lambda aT} \times \int_0^T \exp\left(-\int_{(r-1)T}^{u+(r-1)T} p(s) ds\right) du$$

$$= \sum_{r=1}^K e^{-r\lambda aT} \times \int_0^T \exp\left(-\int_0^u p(s) ds\right) du$$

$$\text{Let } \bar{E} = \int_0^T \exp\left(-\int_0^u p(s) ds\right) du$$

$$\Rightarrow \bar{T}_K = \sum_{r=1}^K e^{-r\lambda aT} \bar{E}$$

$$\text{Exp 1} = \bar{E} \left( \frac{1 - e^{-\lambda a T_K}}{1 - e^{-\lambda a T}} \right)$$

$$\text{So let } K \rightarrow \infty \quad \bar{T} = \frac{\bar{E}}{1 - e^{-\lambda a t}}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 E &= \int_0^T \exp\left(-\int_0^u p(s) ds\right) du = 1 - \frac{1}{\lambda} \\
 &= \int_0^{aT} \exp\left(-\int_0^u p(s) ds\right) du + \int_{aT}^T \exp\left(-\int_0^u p(s) ds\right) du \\
 &= \int_0^{aT} \exp(-\lambda u) du + \int_{aT}^T \exp\left(-\int_0^u p(s) ds\right) du
 \end{aligned}$$

: Example

$$\begin{aligned}
 \int_0^u p(s) ds &= \begin{cases} u\lambda & u \in [0, aT] \\ aT\lambda & u \in (aT, T] \end{cases} \\
 \log P(t) &= -\int_0^t p(s) ds
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \Rightarrow p(t) &= \min(\lambda u, aT\lambda) \\
 \int_{aT}^T \exp\left(-\int_0^u p(s) ds\right) du &= \int_{aT}^T \exp(-aT\lambda) du \\
 &= (1-a)T e^{-\lambda aT}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow \bar{t} = \int_0^{aT} \exp(-\lambda u) du + (1-a)T e^{-\lambda aT}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= \left[ \frac{e^{-\lambda u}}{\lambda} \right]_{aT}^0 + (1-a)T e^{-\lambda aT} \\
 \bar{E} &= \frac{1}{\lambda} (1 - e^{-\lambda aT}) + (1-a)T e^{-\lambda aT}
 \end{aligned}$$

Probability of event in time interval  $[t, t+dt]$   $= \int_t^{t+dt} \exp\left(-\int_0^s p(s) ds\right) p(s) ds + o(dt)$

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Let  $T \rightarrow \infty \Rightarrow \bar{T} = \frac{1}{\lambda}$  same as first example  $\lambda = \text{constant}$

$$\begin{aligned}
 A &= \int_0^\infty \left[ p(t) \exp\left(-\int_0^t p(s) ds\right) \right] dt = \int_0^\infty \left[ \exp\left(-\int_0^t p(s) ds\right) \right] dt = 1 \\
 &= - \int_0^\infty \frac{d}{dt} \exp\left(-\int_0^t p(s) ds\right) dt = - \int_0^\infty \left[ \exp\left(-\int_0^t p(s) ds\right) \right] dt = 0
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= - \left[ \exp\left(-\int_0^t p(s) ds\right) \right]_0^\infty = 0 \quad \text{Since } \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \exp\left(-\int_0^t p(s) ds\right) = 0 \\
 &= 1
 \end{aligned}$$

Expected time to 1st event  $\bar{T}$

$$\bar{T} = \int_0^\infty t q(t) \exp\left(-\int_0^t p(s) ds\right) dt = \int_0^\infty t \left[ \exp\left(-\int_0^t p(s) ds\right) \right] dt = \bar{T} \cdot \bar{q} = \bar{T} \cdot \frac{1}{\lambda}$$

Integration by parts:

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= - \int_0^\infty t \frac{d}{dt} \exp\left(-\int_0^t p(s) ds\right) dt = - \int_0^\infty t \left[ \exp\left(-\int_0^t p(s) ds\right) \right] dt + \int_0^\infty \exp\left(-\int_0^t p(s) ds\right) dt \\
 &= - \left[ \left[ t \exp\left(-\int_0^t p(s) ds\right) \right] \right]_0^\infty - \int_0^\infty \exp\left(-\int_0^t p(s) ds\right) dt = \bar{T} \cdot \bar{q} = \bar{T} \cdot \frac{1}{\lambda}
 \end{aligned}$$

by integration by parts  $\bar{T} = \bar{T} \cdot \frac{1}{\lambda}$

## Population Biology : basic notions

Definition:

A species is a set of organisms capable of interbreeding.

Definition:

A population is a set of organisms of the same species occupying a particular place at a particular time.

Definition:

The population density  $N$ , is the number of individuals per unit area.

Process that can lead to change in population density.

Birth

Death

Immigration

Emmigration

$$\text{Change in population density} = B - D - I + E$$

Not considering I and E in this course.

Will be focusing on birth/death.

We will assume every individual in the population is identical

(we can assume asexual reproduction or that male/female sex ratio is constant).

$$b(t) = b(s) - d(s)$$

Simple Birth Models.

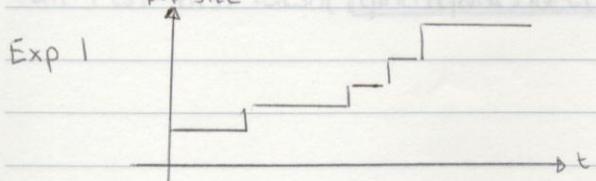
$$b(t) = \exp(-\int_0^t b(s) ds) \cdot b(0) = \exp(-\int_0^t b(s) ds) \cdot b(0) = b(0) \exp(-\int_0^t b(s) ds)$$

Take  $b(t) dt + D(dt^2) =$  probability an individual gives birth in  $[t, t+dt]$

We ignore deaths for now.

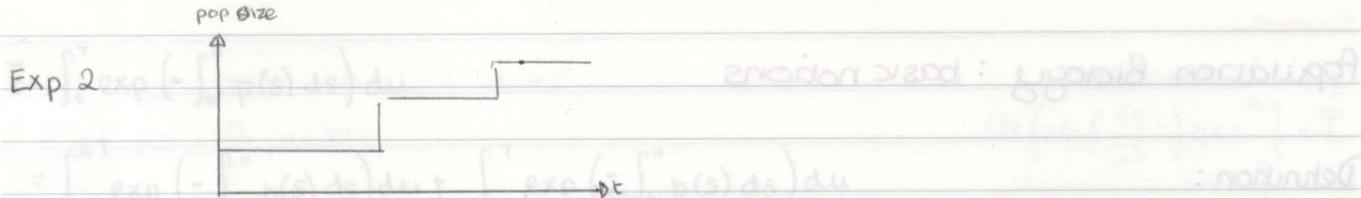
Find the mean population size at time  $t$ , given it at  $t=0$ .

$$C(t) = \exp(-\int_0^t b(s) ds)$$



(time series)

time scale is  $O(dt)$ .



Do many experiments and look at average of what's happening.

$p_k(t)$  = proportion of experiments for which the population size was  $k$  at time  $t$ .

How do we find  $\frac{dp_k(t)}{dt}$ ?

$$p_0(t+8t) = p_0(t) = \bar{p}_0 \text{ constant}$$

$$p_1(t+8t) = p_1(t) - b(t)8tp_1(t) + O(8t^2)$$

$$\frac{dp_1(t)}{dt} = -b(t)8tp_1(t) + O(8t^2).$$

$$\frac{dp_1(t)}{dt} = -b(t)p_1(t)$$

$$p_2(t+8t) = p_2(t) + b(t)8tp_1(t) - 2b(t)8tp_2(t)$$

pop size 1  $\rightarrow$  pop size 2      pop size 2  $\rightarrow$  pop size 3.

$$p_2(t+8t) - p_2(t) = b(t)p_1(t) - 2b(t)p_2(t) + O(8t).$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{dp_2}{dt} = b(t)(p_1(t) - 2p_2(t))$$

$\bullet \quad \bullet \quad \bullet$   
 $K-1 \quad K \quad K+1$

$$\frac{dp_K}{dt} = (K-1)b(t)p_{K-1} - Kb(t)p_K \quad K \geq 2.$$

$$\frac{dN}{dt} = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} K \frac{dp_k}{dt} = -b(t)p_1 + b(t)(2p_1 - 4p_2) + b(t)(6p_2 - 9p_3) + \dots$$

$$\frac{dN}{dt} = b(t)(p_1 + 2p_2 + 3p_3 + \dots)$$

$$\frac{dN}{dt} = b(t)N$$

Initial condition  $N(0) = N_0$

$$N(t) = \exp\left(\int_0^t b(s)ds\right) N_0$$
 mean population at  $t$ .

$$\text{If death is included we obtain } N(t) = \exp\left(\int_0^t b(s) - d(s) ds\right) N_0$$

Definition:

A generation is the expected time from birth between the birth of an individual (chosen at random) and the time of their first offspring.

Definition:

Life expectancy is the expected time from birth of an individual to its death.

Using formulae for expected time for the first event.

$$T_{gen} = \text{generation time} = \int_0^\infty \exp(-\int_s^t b(s) ds) dt$$

$$T_{surv} = \text{life expectancy} = \int_0^\infty \exp(-\int_s^t d(s) ds) dt$$

For viability of the population we need  $T_{surv} > T_{gen}$ .

$$\begin{aligned} T_{surv} - T_{gen} &= \int_0^\infty \left[ \exp\left(\int_s^t -d(s) ds\right) - \exp\left(\int_s^t -b(s) ds\right) \right] dt \\ &= \int_0^\infty \exp\left(\int_s^t -d(s) ds\right) \left[ 1 - \exp\left(\int_s^t b(s) - d(s)\right) \right] dt \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Let } r(s) = b(s) - d(s)$$

$$T_{surv} - T_{gen} = \int_0^\infty \left[ \exp\left(-\int_s^t d(s) ds\right) \left( 1 - \exp\left(\int_s^t r(s) ds\right) \right) \right] dt$$

So we need  $r(s) > 0$  on average (to be made more precise later)

$$\text{i.e. } -\int_0^t r(s) ds < 0 \text{ and } 1 > \exp\left(\int_0^t r(s) ds\right) \text{ and we get } T_{surv} - T_{gen} > 0$$

$$\text{Call } r(s) = b(s) - d(s) = \text{intrinsic net reproductive rate}$$

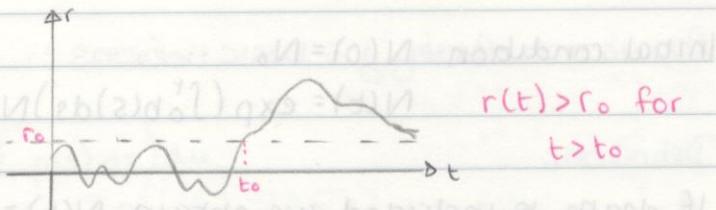
### Example : Population explosion

$$N(t) = \exp\left(\int_0^t r(s) ds\right) N_0$$

and  $\int_0^t r(s) ds \uparrow$  for  $t > t_0$

Here  $N(t) \uparrow \infty$  as  $t \rightarrow \infty$

Sufficient condition for  $N(t) \uparrow \infty$  is  $r(t) > r_0 > 0$  for all  $t > t_0$



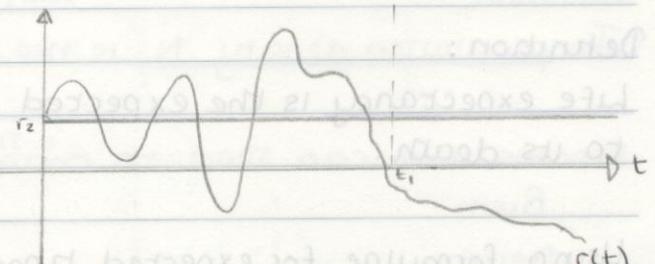
### Example : Extinction

$N(t) \rightarrow 0$  as  $t \rightarrow \infty$  extinction

Sufficient condition

for  $t > t_1$ ,  $r(t) < r_2 < 0$

so  $\int_0^t r(s) ds \rightarrow -\infty$



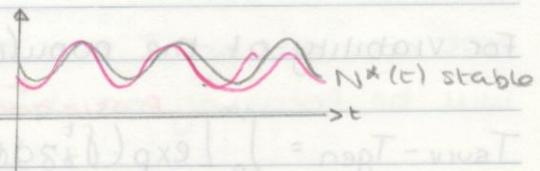
$\Rightarrow \exp\left(\int_0^t r(s) ds\right) \rightarrow 0$  and have  $N(t) \rightarrow 0$ ,  $t \rightarrow \infty$  (population collapse)

### Example : Stable population

Here  $|N(t) - N^*(t)| \rightarrow 0$  as  $t \rightarrow \infty$

$N^*(t)$  is "stable" population trajectory.

$\boxed{|N(t) - N^*(t)| \rightarrow 0}$  as  $t \rightarrow \infty$ .



e.g.  $r(t) \rightarrow 0$  as  $t \rightarrow \infty$  st  $\int_0^\infty |r(s)| ds < \infty$  then  $N(t) \rightarrow N^* = N^*$  constant  
where  $N^* = \exp\left(\int_0^\infty r(s) ds\right) N_0$  (sheet 1)

### Example : Periodic

$r(t)$  is periodic, period  $T$ .

Define  $R := \int_0^T r(s) ds$  "mean" net reproductive rate.

Consider  $t = kT + s$  where  $s \in [0, T]$ .

$$N(t) = N(kT + s)$$

$$= \exp\left(\int_0^{kT+s} r(u) du\right) N(0)$$

$$= \exp\left(\int_0^{kT+s} r(u) du + \int_{kT}^{kT+s} r(u) du\right) N_0$$

$$\int_0^{kT} r(u) du = k \cdot \int_0^T r(u) du = kR$$

$$\text{Hence } N(KT+S) = \exp(KR + \int_{KT}^{KT+S} r(u)du)N(0)$$

$$= e^{KR} \left[ \exp \left( \int_0^S r(u)du \right) N(0) \right]$$

$$= e^{KR} N(S)$$

$$\int_{KT}^{KT+S} r(u)du =$$

$$= \int_0^S r(v+KT)dv$$

$$= \int_0^S r(v)dv$$

$V = U - KT$  change variable

$$\text{Thus } N(KT+S) = e^{KR} N(S)$$

Hence if  $R=0$  then  $N(KT+S) = N(S)$  ( $\forall K$ )  $\Rightarrow$  periodic

$R < 0$  then  $e^{KR} \rightarrow 0$  as  $K \rightarrow \infty \Rightarrow N(KT+S) \rightarrow 0$  as  $K \rightarrow \infty$

$N(t) \rightarrow 0$  as  $t \rightarrow \infty$  extinction.

$R > 0$  then  $e^{KR} \rightarrow \infty$  as  $K \rightarrow \infty \Rightarrow N(KT+S) \rightarrow \infty$  as  $K \rightarrow \infty$

population explosion.

### Conclusion:

Simple models, make intuitive sense (mostly) but are not very enlightening, certainly not predictive.

## Chapter 2: Single Species, Density dependent models.

We have  $\frac{\dot{N}}{N} = r(t)$  i.e. per capita rate does not depend on current population density.

per capita growth rate

This leads to say,  $\dot{N} = rN$

$$\Rightarrow N = e^{rt} N(0) \rightarrow \infty \text{ if } r > 0$$

because this assumes that resources are unlimited and so no matter what the population density there are sufficient resources to grow at maximal rate.

Realistically resources food, space, light, ... anything that controls population growth are always limited

Intuitively high population density  $\Rightarrow$  fewer resources per individual  
or

less energy devoted to survival or fall in fecundity

(fecundity = ability to produce offspring)

Thus we expect the per capita growth rate to depend on the density  $N$ :

A  $\frac{\dot{N}}{N} = p(t, N)$  density dependent growth

per capita net reproductive growth rate

Split  $p(t, N) = \beta(t, N) - \delta(t, N)$

birth rate

death rate

A is a very general model, what properties should  $p$  exhibit?

- We expect  $\beta(t, N)$  to be decreasing in  $N$

- increase in  $N \Rightarrow$  fewer resources

$\Rightarrow$  lower birth rate

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\partial \beta}{\partial N} (t, N) < 0$$

- $S(t, N)$  should be increasing with density  $N$

- increase in  $N \Rightarrow$  less food, more competition, fights between males etc.

Hence  $\frac{\partial p(t, N)}{\partial N} = \underbrace{\frac{\partial}{\partial N} \beta(t, N)}_{< 0} - \underbrace{\frac{\partial}{\partial N} S(t, N)}_{> 0} < 0$

$\frac{\partial p}{\partial N} < 0$  basic requirement for per-capita growth.

Hence  $\dot{N} = N_p(t, N)$  where  $\frac{\partial p}{\partial N} < 0$  gives  $N(0) = N_0$

We have done  $p(t, N) = p(t)$ , so we look at the linear problem.

Do a macLaurian series of  $N$ :

$$p(t, N) = p_0(t) +$$

Thus we expect the per capita growth rate to depend on the density  $N$ :

$$(A) \quad \frac{\dot{N}}{N} = p(t, N) \quad \text{density dependent growth.}$$

per capita net reproductive growth rate.

Split  $p(t, N) = \beta(t, N) - \delta(t, N)$

$\downarrow$        $\downarrow$

birth rate    death rate.

(A) is a very general model, what purpose properties should  $p$  exhibit?

First. We expect  $\beta(t, N)$  to be decreasing in  $N$ . - increase  $N \Rightarrow$  less resources  
 $\Rightarrow$  low birth rate

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\partial \beta}{\partial N}(t, N) < 0$$

Second  $\delta(t, N)$  should be increasing with density  $N$  - increase  $N \Rightarrow$  less food  
 more competitive  
 fight between  
 males, etc.

Hence  $\frac{\partial p}{\partial N}(t, N) = \underbrace{\frac{\partial}{\partial N} \beta(t, N)}_{< 0} - \underbrace{\left( \frac{\partial}{\partial N} \delta(t, N) \right)}_{> 0} < 0$

$\frac{\partial p}{\partial N} < 0$  basic requirement for  
 per-capita growth.

Hence  $\dot{N} = N p(t, N)$  where  $\frac{\partial p}{\partial N} < 0$  gives  $N(0) = N_0$

We have done  $p(t, N) = p(t)$ , so we look at the linear problem.

Do a McLaurin series of  $N$ .

$$p(t, N) = p_0(t) + p_1(t) \left( \frac{N}{N^*} \right) + p_2(t) \left( \frac{N^2}{N^*} \right) + \dots$$

where  $N^*$  is the max population the system can manage.  $N \gg 1$

$$\text{But need } \frac{\partial p}{\partial N} < 0 \Rightarrow \frac{\partial p}{\partial N} = p_1(t) \frac{1}{N^*} + (p_2(t) \frac{2N}{N^*})$$

Need that  $p_1(t) < 0$  (since we can choose  $N=0$ )  
 $p_0(t)$  could be any sign.

Rewrite uncoupled system  $\frac{\dot{N}}{N} = p_0(t) + p_1(t) \frac{N}{N^*}$  (ie ignore second order terms)

Let  $p(t) = p_0$  and  $\frac{K(t) - N}{N} \max p(t)$

$$\text{So that } \frac{\dot{N}}{N} = -p(t) \left(1 - \frac{N}{K(t)}\right) \Rightarrow \dot{N} = p(t)N \left(1 - \frac{N}{K(t)}\right)$$

$$\dot{N} = p(t)N \left(1 - \frac{N}{K(t)}\right) \text{ time dependent - Logistic equation}$$

Try  $M(t) = \exp \left(-\int_0^t p(s) ds\right) N(t)$  and find an ODE for  $M$

$$N(t) = e^{\int_0^t p(s) ds} M(t)$$

$$\dot{N} = \dot{M} e^{\int_0^t p(s) ds} + M \frac{d}{dt} (e^{\int_0^t p(s) ds})$$

$$= \dot{M} e^{\int_0^t p(s) ds} + M p(t) \cdot e^{\int_0^t p(s) ds}$$

$$\text{But } \dot{N} = p(t) e^{\int_0^t p(s) ds} M \left(1 - \frac{M e^{\int_0^t p(s) ds}}{K(t)}\right)$$

Compare:

$$(M + p(t)M) e^{\int_0^t p(s) ds} = p(t) e^{\int_0^t p(s) ds} M \left(1 - \frac{M e^{\int_0^t p(s) ds}}{K(t)}\right)$$

~~$$\dot{M} e^{\int_0^t p(s) ds} + p(t) M e^{\int_0^t p(s) ds} = p(t) M e^{\int_0^t p(s) ds} - \frac{p(t)}{K(t)} M^2 e^{\int_0^t p(s) ds}$$~~

$$\Rightarrow \dot{M} e^{\int_0^t p(s) ds} = -\frac{p(t)}{K(t)} M^2 e^{\int_0^t p(s) ds}$$

$$\Rightarrow \dot{M} = -\frac{p(t)}{K(t)} e^{\int_0^t p(s) ds} \cdot M^2$$

$$\frac{dM}{M^2} = -\frac{p(t)}{K(t)} e^{\int_0^t p(s) ds} dt$$

$$\int_{M(0)}^{M(t)} \frac{dM}{M^2} = - \int_0^t \left( \frac{p(z)}{K(z)} e^{\int_0^z p(s) ds} \right) dz$$

$$\left[ -\frac{1}{M} \right]_{M(0)}^{M(t)} = - \int_0^t H(z) dz \quad \text{where } H(z) = \frac{p(z)}{K(z)} e^{\int_0^z p(s) ds}$$

$$\frac{1}{M(0)} - \frac{1}{M(t)} = - \int_0^t H(z) dz$$

$$\frac{1}{M(0)} + \int_0^t H(z) dz = \frac{1}{M(t)} \Rightarrow M(t) = \frac{1}{\frac{1}{M(0)} + \int_0^t H(z) dz}$$

Recall  $M(t) = e^{- \int_0^t p(s) ds} N(t)$

$$e^{- \int_0^t p(s) ds} N(t) = \frac{1}{\frac{1}{M(0)} + \int_0^t H(z) dz} \quad \text{but } M(0) = N(0) = N_0 \text{ (say)}$$

$$N(t) = \frac{N_0 e^{\int_0^t p(s) ds}}{1 + N_0 \int_0^t H(z) dz}$$

Case  $p, K$  constants  $p(t) = p, k(t) = k.$

$$\dot{N} = pN \left(1 - \frac{N}{K}\right) \text{ Logistic Growth.}$$

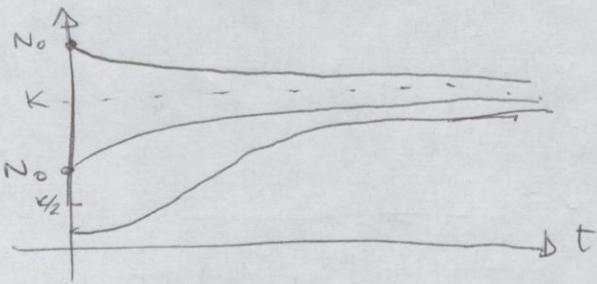
Many models we consider start from logistic growth and add on more terms.

$$H(z) = \frac{p}{K} e^{\int_0^z p ds} = \frac{p}{K} e^{pz}$$

$$\Rightarrow N(t) = \frac{N_0 e^{pt}}{1 + N_0 \int_0^t \frac{p}{K} e^{pz} dz} = \frac{N_0 e^{pt}}{1 + \frac{N_0 p}{K} \left[ \frac{1}{p} e^{pt} \right]_0^t} \\ = \frac{N_0 e^{pt}}{1 + \frac{N_0}{K} (e^{pt} - 1)}$$

$$N(t) = \frac{N_0}{\frac{N_0}{K} + \left(1 - \frac{N_0}{K}\right) e^{-pt}}. \quad \text{Logistic growth.}$$

As  $t \rightarrow \infty, N(t) \rightarrow \frac{N_0}{\frac{N_0}{K}} = K$  which is independent of  $N_0$ .



for any  $N_0 > 0$

$N(t) \rightarrow K$  as  $t \rightarrow \infty$

$K$  is the maximum stable population that the environment can support.  $K$  is called the carrying capacity

The effect of hal building in density dependence  $\frac{\dot{N}}{N} = p(1 - \frac{N}{K})$   
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 density dependence  
 is met the long term population  $N(t)$  as  $t \rightarrow \infty$   
 is always finite and  $N(\infty) = 0$  if  $N_0 = 0$ ;  $N(\infty) = K$  if  $N_0 > 0$ .

Case  $K(t)$  constant  $= K$ ,  $p(t)$  some function of time

$$\dot{N} = p(t) N \left(1 - \frac{N}{K}\right)$$

$$\text{set } Z = \int_0^t p(s) ds \Rightarrow dZ = p(t) dt.$$

$$\frac{dN}{dt} = \frac{dN}{dz} \frac{dz}{dt} = \frac{dN}{dz} p(t)$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{dN}{dz} p(t) = p(t) N \left(1 - \frac{N}{K}\right) \Rightarrow \frac{dN}{dt} = N \left(1 - \frac{N}{K}\right).$$

$$N(t) = \frac{N_0}{\frac{N_0}{K} - \left(1 - \frac{N_0}{K}\right) e^{-\tau}} \quad (\text{using last formula})$$

$$N(t) = \frac{N_0}{\frac{N_0}{K} + \left(1 - \frac{N_0}{K}\right) e^{-\int_0^t p(s) ds}}$$

Suppose  $p(t)$  is periodic, period  $T$ , split  $t = KT + s$ .

$$N(t) = N(KT+s) = \frac{N_0}{\frac{N_0}{K} + \left(1 - \frac{N_0}{K}\right) e^{\int_{KT}^{KT+s} p(z) dz}}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^{KT+s} p(z) dz &= \int_0^{KT} p(z) dz + \int_{KT}^{KT+s} p(z) dz \quad \text{set } R = \int_0^T p(s) ds \\ &= KR + \int_0^s p(z) dz \quad \text{using periodicity.} \end{aligned}$$

$$N(t) = \frac{N_0}{\frac{N_0}{K} + \left(1 - \frac{N_0}{K}\right) e^{KR} e^{\int_0^s p(z) dz}} \quad (\text{here } t = KT+s).$$

Let  $K \rightarrow \infty$  and define  $N_\infty(s) = \lim_{K \rightarrow \infty} N(KT+s)$ .

$$\lim_{K \rightarrow \infty} \frac{N_0}{\frac{N_0}{K} + \left(1 - \frac{N_0}{K}\right) e^{KR} e^{\int_0^s p(z) dz}} = \begin{cases} K & \text{if } R < 0 \\ 0 & \text{if } R > 0 \\ \frac{N_0}{\frac{N_0}{K} + \left(1 - \frac{N_0}{K}\right) e^{\int_0^s p(s) ds}} & \text{if } R = 0 \end{cases}$$

$$\text{The case } R=0 \quad N_\infty(s) = \frac{N_0}{\frac{N_0}{K} + \left(1 - \frac{N_0}{K}\right) e^{\int_0^s p(z) dz}}$$

$$\text{What about } N_\infty(T+s) = \frac{N_0}{\frac{N_0}{K} + \left(1 - \frac{N_0}{K}\right) e^{\int_0^{T+s} p(z) dz}} *$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{But } \int_0^{T+s} p(t) dt &= \int_0^T p(t) dt + \int_T^{T+s} p(z) dz \\ &= R + \int_0^s p(z) dz \\ &= \int_0^s p(z) dz \quad \text{since } R=0 \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{from } * \quad N_\infty(T+s) = \frac{N_0}{\frac{N_0}{K} + \left(1 - \frac{N_0}{K}\right) e^{\int_0^s p(z) dz}} = N_\infty(s) = 0 \quad \text{when } K \rightarrow \infty$$

$$N(t) = \frac{N_0 e^{\int_0^t p(s) ds}}{1 + N_0 \int_0^t H(u) du}$$

$$H(u) = \frac{f(u)}{K(u)} e^{\int_0^u p(s) ds}$$

$$\text{so to } \dot{N} = p(t)N / \frac{1-N}{K(t)}$$

(case  $p$  constant,  $K(t)$  periodic, period  $T$ )

$$\Rightarrow H(u) = \frac{f}{K(u)} e^{pu} : \text{ so } H \text{ is periodic, period } T$$

$$\text{We need } \int_0^t H(u) du = \int_0^t \frac{f}{K(u)} e^{pu} du$$

$$\text{Divide } t = KT+s \quad s \in [0, T) \quad \text{so we need } \int_0^{KT+s} \frac{f}{K(u)} e^{pu} du = I$$

$$\text{Write } I = \int_0^{KT} \frac{f}{K(u)} e^{pu} du + \int_{KT}^{KT+s} \frac{f}{K(u)} e^{pu} du$$

$$\text{Now } \int_{KT}^{KT+s} \frac{f}{K(u)} e^{pu} du = \int_0^s \frac{f}{K(v+KT)} e^{(v+KT)p} dv \quad \text{let } v = u - KT$$

$$\begin{aligned} &= \int_0^s \frac{f}{K(v)} e^{pv} \cdot e^{pKT} dv = e^{pKT} \int_0^s \frac{f}{K(v)} e^{pv} dv \\ &= \int_0^s H(v) dv. \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{For } \int_0^{KT} \frac{f}{K(u)} e^{pu} du &= \sum_{r=1}^K \int_{(r-1)T}^{rT} \frac{f}{K(u)} e^{pu} du \\ &= \sum_{r=1}^K \int_0^T \frac{f}{K(w+(r-1)T)} e^{p(w+(r-1)T)} dw \quad w = u - (r-1)T \\ &= \sum_{r=1}^K \int_0^T \frac{f}{K(w)} e^{pw} e^{(r-1)pT} dw \\ &= \left( \sum_{r=1}^K e^{(r-1)pT} \right) \cdot R \quad R = \int_0^T \frac{f}{K(w)} e^{pw} dw = \int_0^T H(w) dw \end{aligned}$$

$$= \left( \frac{1 - e^{KpT}}{1 - e^{pT}} \right) R$$

$$\text{Write } I = \int_0^{KT} \frac{f}{K(u)} e^{pu} du + \int_{KT}^{KT+s} \frac{f}{K(u)} e^{pu} du$$

$$\int_0^{KT+s} H(u) du = \left( \frac{1 - e^{pKT}}{1 - e^{pT}} \right) R + e^{pKT} \int_0^s H(v) dv$$

$$N(t) = \frac{N_0 e^{p(KT+s)}}{1 + N_0 \left( \left( \frac{1 - e^{pKT}}{1 - e^{pT}} \right) R + \left( \int_0^s H(v) dv \right) e^{pKT} \right)}$$

where  $t = KT+s$ .

$$= \frac{N_0 e^{ps}}{e^{-pt} + N_0 \left( \left( \frac{e^{-pt} - 1}{1 - e^{pt}} \right) R + \int_0^s H(u) du \right)}$$

To see how  $N(t) = N(KT+s)$  behaves as  $t$  gets large ( $K \rightarrow \infty$ ) we set

$$\begin{aligned} N_\infty(s) &= \lim_{K \rightarrow \infty} N(KT+s) = \frac{N_0 e^{ps}}{0 + N_0 \left( \frac{-1}{1 - e^{pt}} R + \int_0^s H(u) du \right)} \\ &= \frac{e^{ps}}{R \left( \frac{1}{e^{pt} - 1} \right) + \int_0^s H(u) du} \end{aligned}$$

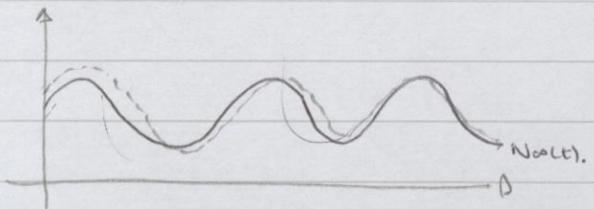
Claim  $N_\infty(s)$  is periodic

Need to prove  $N_\infty(T+s) = N_\infty(s)$

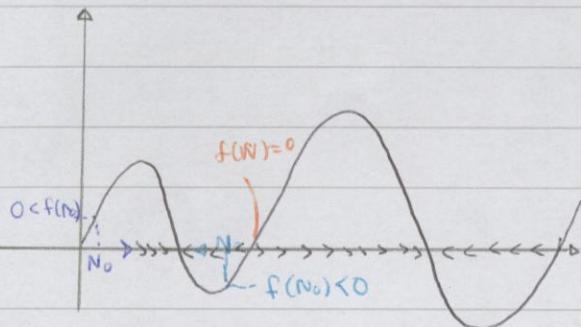
$$N_\infty(T+s) = \frac{e^{p(T+s)}}{R \left( \frac{1}{e^{pt} - 1} \right) + \int_0^{T+s} H(u) du}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{But } \int_0^{T+s} H(u) du &= \int_0^T H(u) du + \int_T^{T+s} H(u) du \\ &= R + e^{pt} \int_0^s H(v+T) dv \\ &= R + e^{pt} \int_0^s H(v) dv \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} N_\infty(T+s) &= \frac{e^{pt} e^{ps}}{R \left( \frac{1}{e^{pt} - 1} \right) + R + e^{pt} \int_0^s H(u) du} \\ &= \frac{e^{pt} e^{ps}}{R \left( \frac{1 + e^{pt} - 1}{e^{pt} - 1} \right) + e^{pt} \int_0^s H(u) du} \\ &= \frac{e^{pt} e^{ps}}{R \left( \frac{1}{e^{pt} - 1} \right) + \int_0^s H(u) du} = N_\infty(s). \end{aligned}$$



Graphical analysis of  $\dot{N} = f(N)$  where  $N \in \mathbb{R}$  &  $f: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  as smooth as you like.



$$\dot{N} = f(N) \text{ initial condition } N(0) = N_0$$

$\Rightarrow$  solutions  $N(t)$ ,  $t \geq 0$  with

$$N(0) = N_0$$

Want to know how  $N(t)$  behaves as  $t \rightarrow \infty$  for any  $N_0$ .

i) Suppose  $N_0 > 0$  is very small ( $N_0 \ll 1$ )

Idea:

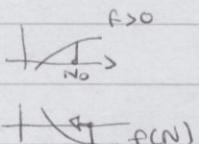
1. Plot  $f$  as function of  $N$

2. Choose  $N$

3. If  $f(N) > 0$ ,  $N$  moves to the right

?  $< 0$

left

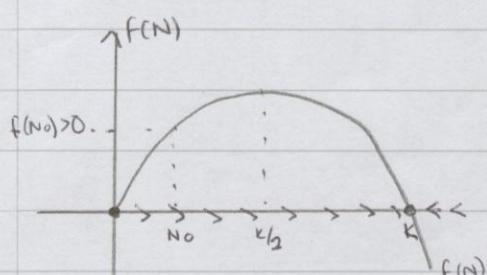


4. At points where  $f(N) = 0$ ,  $N$  stays still.

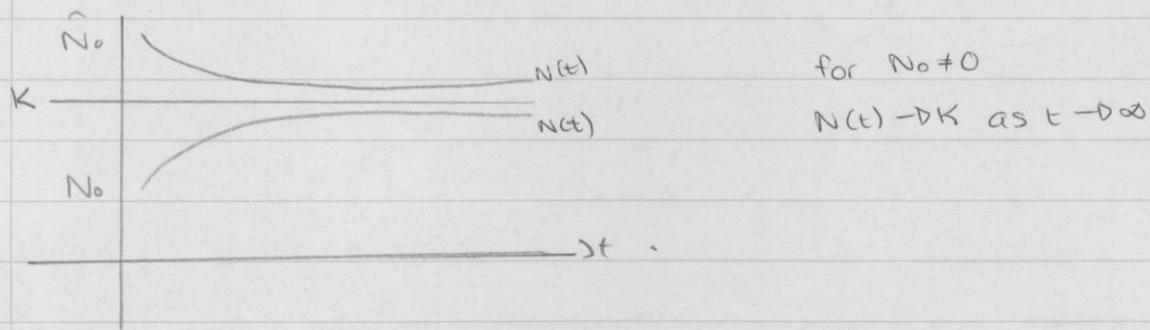
points where  $f(N) = 0$  are called steady states

ie steady states are where  $f$  crosses the "sc" axis.

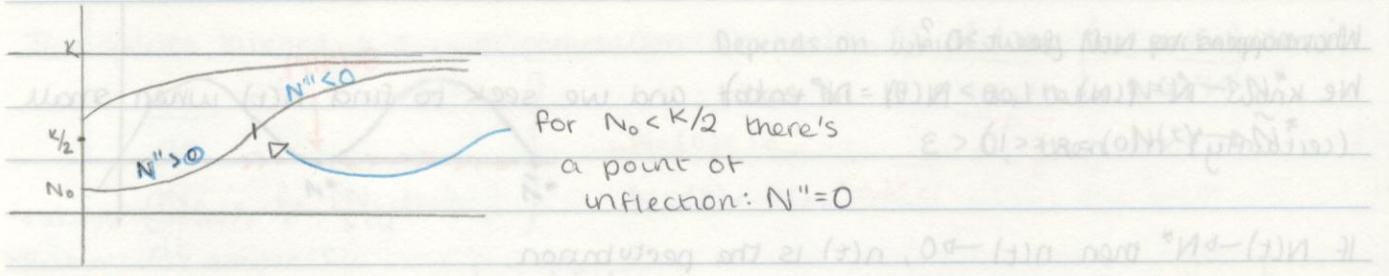
Logistic equation  $N = f(N) = pN(1 - N/K)$



Two steady states  $N=0, N=K$



$K$  is carrying capacity and if  $N_0 \neq 0$   $N(t) \rightarrow K$ .



For  $N_0 < K/2$  there's  
a point of  
inflection:  $N''=0$

There's a qualitative difference to  $N(t)$  depending on whether  $N_0 \leq K/2$  or  $N_0 > K/2$

$N'' > 0$  is convex

$N'' < 0$  is concave

How do we find the convex/concave parts?

$$\text{know: } N'(t) = f(N(t)) = pN(t)\left(1 - \frac{N(t)}{K}\right)$$

$$\Rightarrow N''(t) = \frac{d}{dt} \left( f'(N(t)) \right) = f'(N(t)) \frac{dN}{dt} = f'(N(t))f(N(t))$$

So  $N''(t) = 0$  if  $f'(N(t)) = 0$  or  $f(N(t)) = 0$  (or both)

If  $N < K/2$ ,  $f'(N) > 0$

$> K/2$ ,  $f'(N) < 0$

So for  $0 < N(t) < K/2$ ,  $f'(N(t)) > 0$ ,  $f(N(t)) > 0$

$$\Rightarrow N''(t) = f'(N(t))f(N(t)) > 0$$

$\Rightarrow N$  is a convex function of  $t$  if  $0 < N(t) < K/2$

For  $K/2 < N(t) < K$ ,  $f'(N(t)) < 0$ ,  $f(N(t)) > 0$

$$\Rightarrow N''(t) < 0$$

$\Rightarrow N$  is a concave function of  $t$  if  $K/2 < N(t) < K$ .

### Linear Stability Analysis

Recall:  $\dot{N} = f(N)$ , points  $N^*$  where  $f(N^*) = 0$  are called steady states

We would like to say something about the stability of these steady states  
i.e. If  $N = N^*$  and the system is perturbed by a small amount does  
the population return to  $N^*$  or grow?

$N^*$  steady       $N^* + \epsilon$

$t=0$

For  $t < 0$ ,  $N(t) = N^*$  steady

At  $t=0$   $N$  is perturbed from  $N^*$  by a  
small perturbation  $\epsilon$  ( $> 0$  or  $\leq 0$ ) so  
that  $N(0) = N^* + \epsilon$

What happens to  $N(t)$  for  $t > 0$ ?

We know  $\dot{N} = f(N)$ . Let  $N(t) = N^* + n(t)$  and we seek to find  $n(t)$  when small (certainly  $n(0) = \epsilon \ll 1$ )

If  $N(t) \rightarrow N^*$  then  $n(t) \rightarrow 0$ ,  $n(t)$  is the perturbation.

$N(t)$  is a solution of  $\dot{N} = f(N)$

$\Rightarrow n(t)$  satisfies:

$$\frac{dn}{dt} (N^* + n(t)) = f(N^* + n(t))$$

$$\frac{dn}{dt} = f(N^* + n(t)) \quad \text{since } N^* \text{ is constant}$$

$$= f(N^*) + f'(N^*)n(t) + f''(N^*)n(t)^2 + \dots$$

Since  $n(0) = \epsilon \ll 1$ , then for small enough time,  $n(t) \ll 1 \Rightarrow 0$  can ignore terms

$$f''(N^*)n(t)^2 - \dots = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{dn}{dt} = f(N^*) + f'(N^*)n(t) \quad \text{to first order in } n(t)$$

since  $N^*$  is a steady state,  $f(N^*) = 0$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{dn}{dt} = f'(N^*)n$$

This gives a good approximation to the perturbation provided  $n(t)$  is small

$$n(t) = e^{f'(N^*)t} n(0) = e^{f'(N^*)t}$$

If  $f'(N^*) < 0$   $e^{f'(N^*)t} \rightarrow 0$  so  $n(t) \rightarrow 0$  ie perturbation decays

$f'(N^*) > 0$   $e^{f'(N^*)t} \uparrow \infty$  so  $n(t)$  grows ie perturbation growth.

The case  $f'(N^*) < 0$  where perturbation decays is called (locally) stable

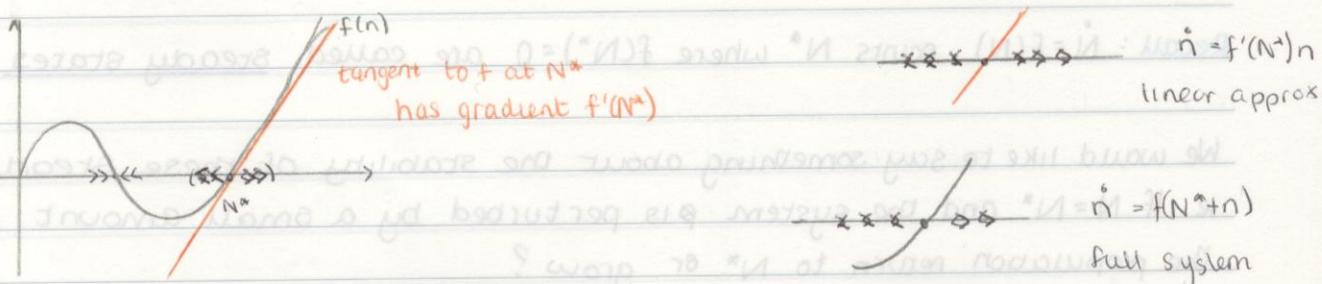
$> 0$

grows

unstable

$\dot{n} = f'(N^*)n$

linear approx.

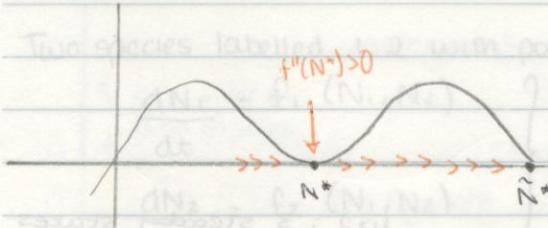


If  $f'(N^*) = 0$  the linear term in Taylor's is zero:

$$\dot{n} = 0 + 0 \cdot n + f''(N^*)n^2 \quad \text{to second order.}$$

$$\dot{n} = \frac{f''(N^*)n^2}{2}$$

## Two Species Models



Depends on which way the perturbation takes  $N$ . If  $\varepsilon < 0$ , then  $N(t) \rightarrow N^*$   
 $\varepsilon > 0$ , then  $N(t) \rightarrow \tilde{N}^*$

Example:

$$\text{Per-capita birth rate } \beta(N) = \frac{rN}{N^2 + K}, \quad S(N) = d > 0 \text{ constant}$$

$$\text{So } \frac{\dot{N}}{N} = \beta(N) - S(N) = \frac{rN}{N^2 + K} - d$$

$$\Rightarrow \dot{N} = N \left( \frac{rN}{N^2 + K} - d \right)$$

$$\text{Find the steady states: } \Rightarrow N \left( \frac{rN}{N^2 + K} - d \right) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow N=0 \text{ and solutions to } \frac{rN}{N^2 + K} = d$$

$$\Rightarrow dN^2 - rN + dK = 0$$

$$N_{\pm} = \frac{r}{2d} \pm \frac{1}{2d} \sqrt{(r^2 - 4d^2K)^{1/2}}$$

For populations need  $N_{\pm} > 0$  and real!

$$N_{\pm} = \frac{r}{2d} \pm \frac{r}{2d} \left( 1 - \left( \frac{4d\sqrt{K}}{r} \right)^{1/2} \right)^{1/2}$$

$$= \frac{r}{2d} \left( 1 \pm \left( 1 - \frac{4}{N^2} \right)^{1/2} \right) \quad \text{where } N = \frac{r}{d\sqrt{K}}$$

here  $r, d, K > 0$

Hence: for real roots need  $N \geq 2$ . If  $N = 2$  we get  $N_{\pm} = r/2d$  double root.

When  $N > 2$  we get real roots (and they're distinct)

Are they both  $> 0$ ?

Yes since  $N_- = \frac{r}{2d} \left( 1 - \left( 1 - \frac{4}{N^2} \right)^{1/2} \right)$  and  $0 < 1 - \frac{4}{N^2} < 1$  (and  $N_+ > N_- > 0$ ).

Hence if  $N \leq 2$   $N=0$  is the unique steady state

$N > 2$  The steady states are  $N=0$  and 2 distinct  $N_-, N_+$

$N=2$   $N=0$  and  $N_-=N_+$ .

$$\dot{N} = N \left( \frac{rN}{N^2 + K} - d \right) = \frac{rN^2}{N^2 + K} - dN$$

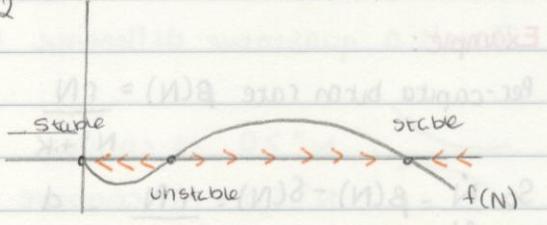
$$g(N) = \frac{r}{1 + \frac{K}{N^2}} \rightarrow 0 \text{ as } N \rightarrow \infty.$$

$\downarrow$  steady state

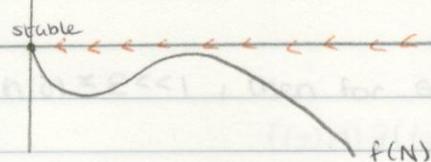
$\nu > 2 : 3 \text{ steady states}$

2 stable, 1 unstable

$\nu > 2$



$\nu < 2$



for  $\nu < 2$ ,  $\exists$  a unique

steady state  $N=0$  and  $N_0 > 0$ ,  $N(t) \rightarrow 0$  as  $t \rightarrow \infty$

Extinction is the only outcome.

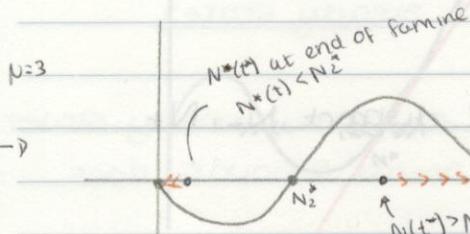
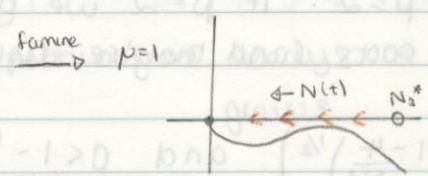
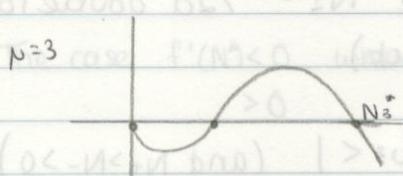
For  $\nu > 2$  label the steady states:  $0 = N_1^* < N_2^* < N_3^*$

If  $N_0 \in (0, N_2^*)$  then  $N(t) \rightarrow 0$  as  $t \rightarrow \infty$ , extinction

$N_0 \in (N_2^*, N_3^*)$  then  $N(t) \rightarrow N_3^*$ ,  $t \rightarrow \infty$

$N_0 > N_3^*$  then  $N(t) \rightarrow N_3^*$  as  $t \rightarrow \infty$ .

- Suppose  $\nu = 3$  and  $N(t) = N_3^*$ . Then suppose that a sustained famine hits the population so that  $\nu = 1$ . Then after some time the famine lifts so that  $\nu = 3$  again. What happens to the population?



if the famine is different at  $t = t^*$  and

$N(t^*) < N_2^*$  then  $N(t) \rightarrow 0$  as  $t \rightarrow \infty$

if  $N(t^*) > N_2^*$

## Two Species Models

Two species labelled 1, 2 with population densities  $N_1, N_2$

$$\begin{cases} \frac{dN_1}{dt} = f_1(N_1, N_2) \\ \frac{dN_2}{dt} = f_2(N_1, N_2) \end{cases} \quad \left. \begin{array}{l} N_1(0) = N_{10} \\ N_2(0) = N_{20} \end{array} \right\}$$

The form of  $f_1, f_2$  depends on how the two species interact eg compete, cooperate.

We expect  $f_1(0, N_2) = 0 \quad \forall N_2 \geq 0$

$f_2(0, N_1) = 0 \quad \forall N_1 \geq 0$

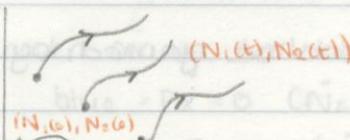
So  $\exists f_1(N_1, N_2) = N_1 F_1(N_1, N_2)$

$$f_2(N_1, N_2) = N_2 F_2(N_1, N_2)$$

$$\dot{N}_1 = N_1 F_1(N_1, N_2), \quad \dot{N}_2 = N_2 F_2(N_1, N_2)$$

We want a qualitative picture of how  $N_1(t), N_2(t)$  change with time for any  $N_1(0), N_2(0)$ .

Solution of \* are curves  $(N_1(t), N_2(t)) \in \mathbb{R}^2$  parametrised by  $t$ .



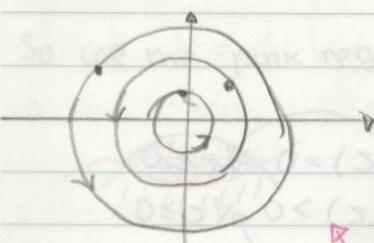
Through each initial point  $(N_1(0), N_2(0))$  there is a solution curve.

Idea is to plot lots of initial points and draw the solution curves leaving each point.



With enough curves we can determine  $(N_1(t), N_2(t))$  qualitatively for any  $(N_1(0), N_2(0))$ .

Example:  $\dot{N}_1 = -N_2, \quad \dot{N}_2 = N_1$  (not relevant to ecology).



$$\ddot{N}_1 = -\dot{N}_2 = -N_1 \Rightarrow N_1(t) = A \cos(t + \varepsilon)$$

$$N_2(t) = A \sin(t + \varepsilon)$$

In this example of a phase plane.

Plotting a phase plane: for  $\dot{x} = f(x, y)$ ,  $\dot{y} = g(x, y)$  planar system

Find nullclines:

These are curves where either  $f(x, y) = 0$  or  $g(x, y) = 0$

Steady states:

Points  $(x^*, y^*)$  where  $f(x^*, y^*) = 0 = g(x^*, y^*)$

- In the previous example  $f(x, y) = -y$ ,  $g(x, y) = x$

$\Rightarrow$  nullclines are  $y = 0$  and  $x = 0$ .

$$\frac{\dot{N}_1}{N_1} = f_1(N_1, N_2) \quad \frac{\dot{N}_2}{N_2} = f_2(N_1, N_2) \quad \text{per capita growth rate.}$$

The models are always of this form because if  $N_i$  is absent we expect no growth i.e.  $\dot{N}_i = 0$  and this implies that  $F_i = N_i f_i(N_1, N_2)$   $i=1, 2$  for fractions  $f_i$

In terms of the phase plane this means that if  $N_0$  belongs to the axes then  $N(t)$  stays on the axes

So some useful information for the phase plane can be gained by finding what happens on the axes.

For example: if at  $t=0$ ,  $N_1(0) = N_{10} > 0$  but  $N_2(0) = 0$

Then  $\dot{N}_1(0) > 0$ ,  $\dot{N}_2(0) = 0$ . So  $N_1$  increase but  $N_2$  remains zero.

Note  $\dot{N}_2(t) = N_2(t) f_2(N_1(t), N_2(t))$  along a solution  $N(t) = (N_1(t), N_2(t))$

$$\frac{\dot{N}_2}{N_2} = f_2(N_1(t), N_2(t))$$

Integrate over  $t \in (0, \tau)$

$$[\log N_2(t)]_0^\tau = \int_0^\tau f_2(N_1(t), N_2(t)) dt$$

$$\log \frac{N_2(\tau)}{N_2(0)} = \int_0^\tau f_2(N_1(t), N_2(t)) dt$$

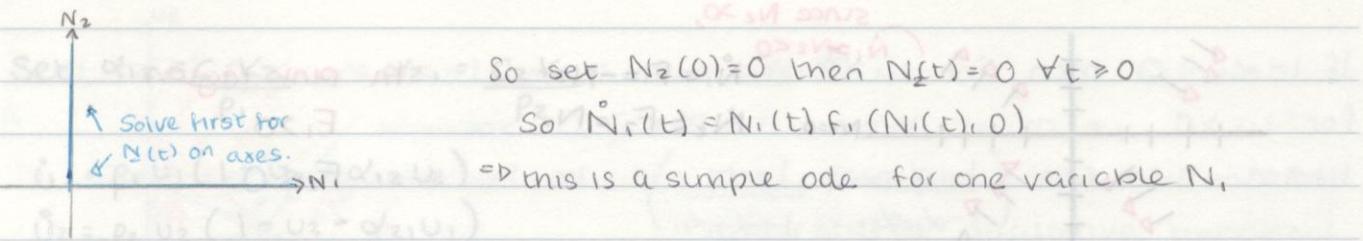
$$N_2(\tau) = N_2(0) \exp \left( \int_0^\tau f_2(N_1(t), N_2(t)) dt \right)$$

This provides a (sketch) proof that if  $N_2(0) = 0$  then  $N_2(\tau) = 0 \forall \tau \geq 0$

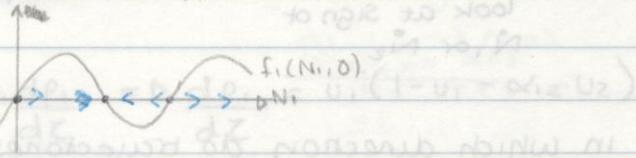
$$N_2(0) > 0$$

$$N_2(\tau) > 0 \forall \tau \geq 0$$

$\Rightarrow$  start with  $N_2 = 0 \Rightarrow$  stay with  $N_2 = 0$

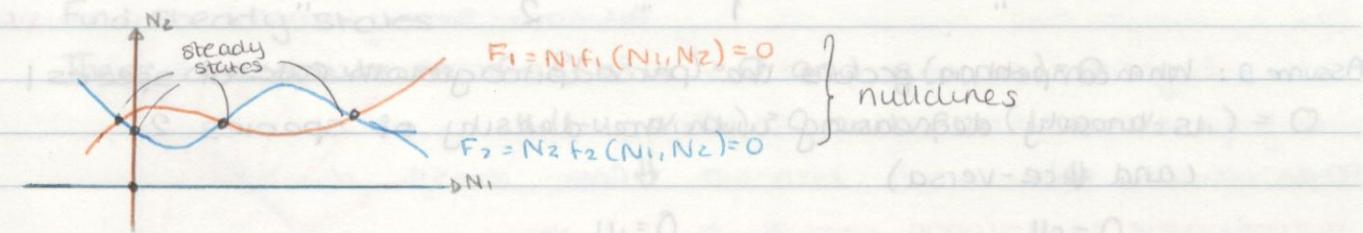


We can solve explicitly in some cases or use methods for single species models.



Ecologically the axis  $N_2=0$  is the situation: How does species 1 behave if species 2 is absent?

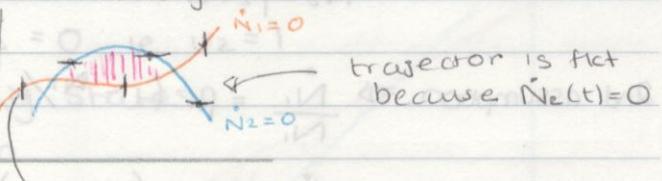
The next step is to plot the nullclines  $f_1(N_1, N_2)=0$ ,  $f_2(N_1, N_2)=0$ . These are typically curves (but may have multiple branches).



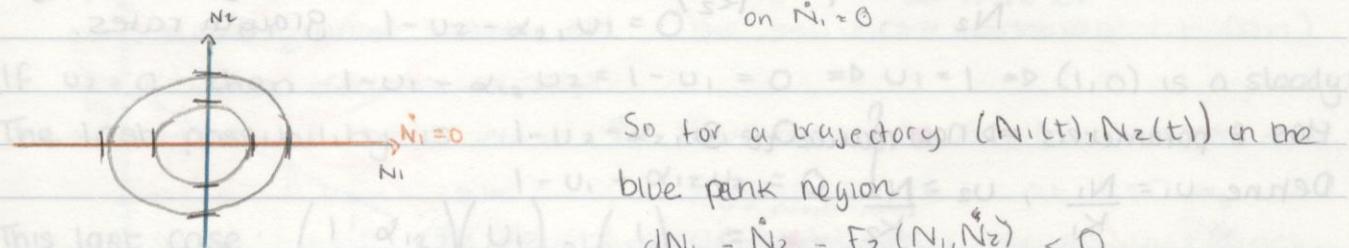
Whenever orange and blue cross there is a steady state:

$$\text{blue} = F_2 = 0 \quad (\dot{N}_2 = 0)$$

$$\text{orange} = F_1 = 0 \quad (\dot{N}_1 = 0)$$

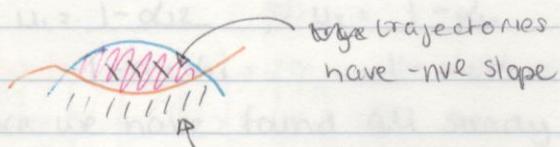


$$\dot{N}_1 \approx \dot{N}_2 = 0 \quad \dot{N}_2 = \dot{N}_1 = 0$$

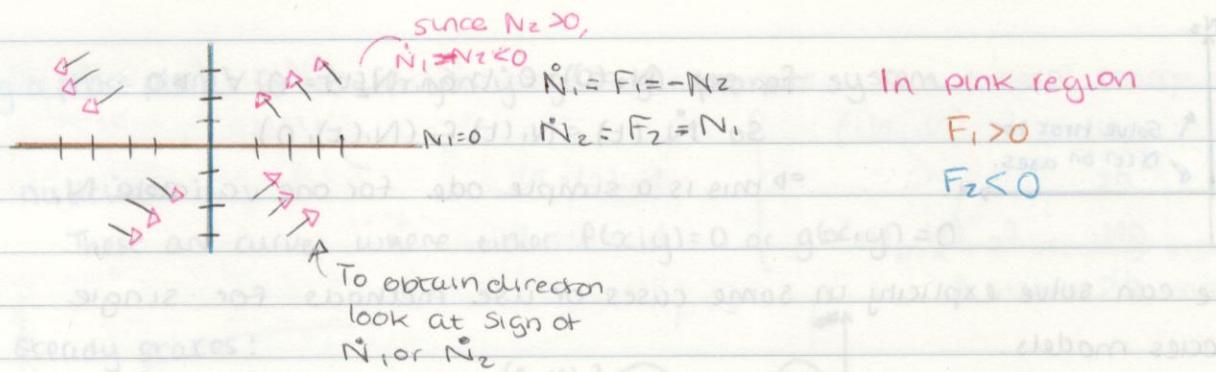


$$\frac{dN_1}{dN_2} = \frac{\dot{N}_2}{\dot{N}_1} = \frac{F_2(N_1, N_2)}{F_1(N_1, N_2)} < 0$$

So in the pink region trajectories have negative slope.



In this region  $\frac{dF_2}{dF_1} > 0$  along a trajectory.



↑ Next question in which direction do trajectories go?

Are they clockwise or anticlockwise

**Example: 2 competing species**

**Assume 1:** In the absence of species 2, species 1 undergoes logistic growth

$$\dot{N}_1 = p_1 N_1 \left(1 - \frac{N_1}{K_1}\right)$$

" " " " when not interacting

$$\dot{N}_2 = p_2 N_2 \left(1 - \frac{N_2}{K_2}\right)$$

$$\text{2nd assumption} \Rightarrow \frac{\dot{N}_1}{N_1} = p_1 \left(1 - \frac{N_1}{K_1}\right) - c_1 N_2 \quad (c_1 > 0, K_1 > 0)$$

and  $c_1 > 0$  for

$$\frac{\dot{N}_2}{N_2} = p_2 \left(1 - \frac{N_2}{K_2}\right) - c_2 N_1 \quad \text{linearly decreasing growth rates.}$$

Has 6 parameters  $\Rightarrow$  now reduce to 3.

$$\text{Define } U_1 = \frac{N_1}{K_1}, \quad U_2 = \frac{N_2}{K_2}$$

$$\Rightarrow \dot{N}_1 = K_1 \dot{U}_1$$

$$\Rightarrow K_1 \dot{U}_1 = (K_1 U_1) p_1 \left(1 - \frac{K_1 U_1}{K_1}\right) - c_1 K_2 U_2 K_1 U_1$$

$$\dot{U}_1 = p_1 U_1 \left(1 - U_1\right) - K_2 c_1 U_1 U_2$$

Also get

$$\dot{U}_2 = p_2 U_2 \left(1 - U_2\right) - K_1 c_2 U_1 U_2$$

$$\dot{U}_1 = p_1 \left[ U_1 \left(1 - U_1\right) - \frac{c_1 K_2}{p_1} U_1 U_2 \right]$$

$$\dot{U}_2 = p_2 \left[ U_2 \left(1 - U_2\right) - \frac{c_2 K_1}{p_2} U_1 U_2 \right]$$

$$\text{Set } \alpha_{12} = \frac{C_1 K_2}{P_1}, \quad \alpha_{21} = \frac{C_2 K_1}{P_2}$$

$$\dot{U}_1 = P_1 U_1 (1 - U_1 - \alpha_{12} U_2)$$

$$\dot{U}_2 = P_2 U_2 (1 - U_2 - \alpha_{21} U_1)$$

$$\text{Set } P = \frac{P_2}{P_1} \text{ and } \tau = P_1 t$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{dP_1}{dt} = \frac{dP_1}{d\tau} \frac{d\tau}{dt} = P_1 \frac{dP_1}{d\tau} = \frac{dP_1}{d\tau} = U_1 (1 - U_1 - \alpha_{12} U_2)$$

$$\text{and } \frac{dP_2}{dt} = P_2 U_2 (1 - U_2 - \alpha_{21} U_1)$$

The effect of the scaling to  $U_1, U_2, \tau$  is to stretch the axes of phase space  $\Rightarrow$  general picture the same.

### 1. Find steady states

These are solutions of  $f(U_1, U_2) = 0$  and  $g(U_1, U_2) = 0$

$$U_1(1 - U_1 - \alpha_{12} U_2) = 0 \text{ and } P_2 U_2 (1 - U_2 - \alpha_{21} U_1) = 0$$

$$U_1 = 0 \quad U_2 = 0$$

$$\text{or } 1 - U_1 - \alpha_{12} U_2 = 0 \quad \text{or } 1 - U_2 - \alpha_{21} U_1 = 0$$

If  $U_1 = 0$ , then either  $U_2 = 0$

$$\text{or } 1 - U_2 - \alpha_{12} U_1 = 1 - U_2 = 0 \text{ ie } U_2 = 1$$

$\Rightarrow (0, 0)$  and  $(0, 1)$  are steady states.

If  $1 - U_1 - \alpha_{12} U_2 = 0$  and  $U_1 \neq 0$  then

$$\text{either } U_2 = 0$$

$$\text{or } 1 - U_2 - \alpha_{21} U_1 = 0$$

If  $U_2 = 0$  then  $1 - U_1 - \alpha_{12} U_2 = 1 - U_1 = 0 \Rightarrow U_1 = 1 \Rightarrow (1, 0)$  is a steady state

The last possibility is  $1 - U_2 - \alpha_{21} U_1 = 0 \quad \left. \begin{array}{l} \\ 1 - U_1 - \alpha_{12} U_2 = 0 \end{array} \right\} *$  depends on  $\alpha_{12}$  and  $\alpha_{21}$

This last case:  $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & \alpha_{12} \\ \alpha_{21} & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} U_1 \\ U_2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \equiv *$

$$\begin{pmatrix} U_1 \\ U_2 \end{pmatrix} = \frac{1}{1 - \alpha_{12} \alpha_{21}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 - \alpha_{12} & 1 \\ -\alpha_{21} & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

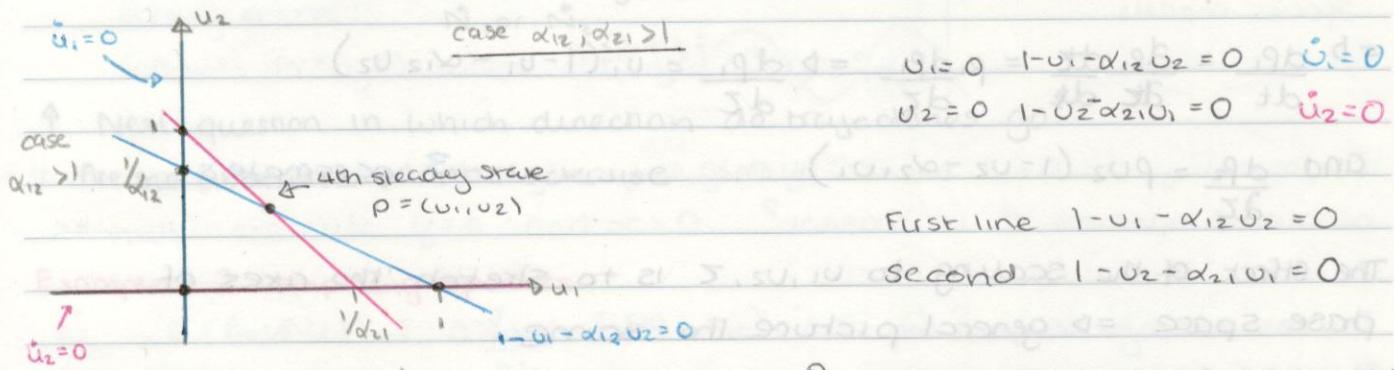
$$\Rightarrow U_1 = \frac{1 - \alpha_{12}}{1 - \alpha_{12} \alpha_{21}}, \quad U_2 = \frac{1 - \alpha_{21}}{1 - \alpha_{12} \alpha_{21}} \quad 4^{\text{th}} \text{ possible steady state.}$$

Since we have found all steady states with  $U_1 = 0$  or  $U_2 = 0$ , this only gives a relevant steady state if  $U_1 > 0, U_2 > 0$

If  $1 - \alpha_{12} \geq 0$  then for  $u_1 > 0$  we must have  $1 - \alpha_{12} u_2 \geq 0$  and then for  $u_2 > 0$  we must have  $1 - \alpha_{21} \geq 0$

Hence then for  $\left( \frac{1 - \alpha_{12}}{1 - \alpha_{12} u_2}, \frac{1 - \alpha_{21}}{1 - \alpha_{21} u_1} \right)$  to be steady state

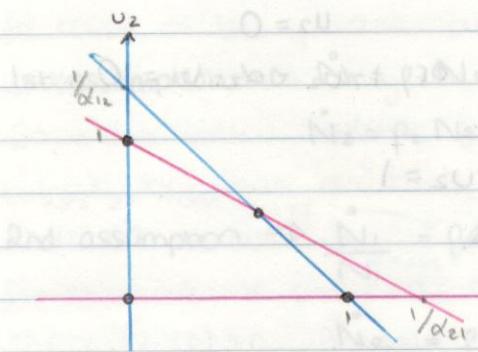
either  $\alpha_{12} < 1, \alpha_{21} < 1$  or  $\alpha_{12} > 1, \alpha_{21} > 1$



P represents a coexistence state

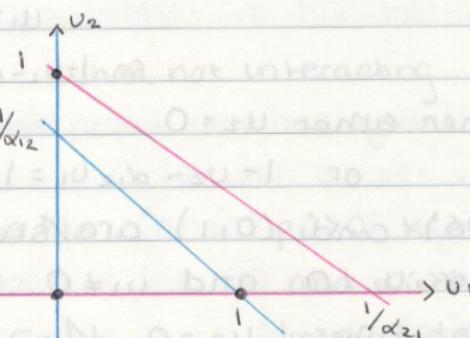
All other steady states have extinction for at least one species

Case  $\alpha_{12}, \alpha_{21} < 1$



For  $\alpha_{21} < 1$  we cross over  $u = 1$

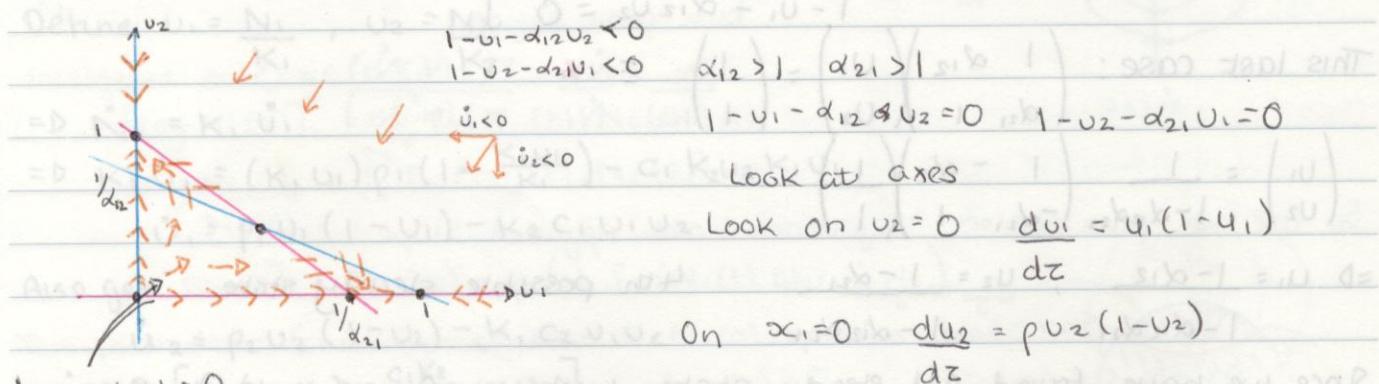
Case  $\alpha_{21} < 1, \alpha_{12} > 1$



No interior steady state, so

species cannot coexist.

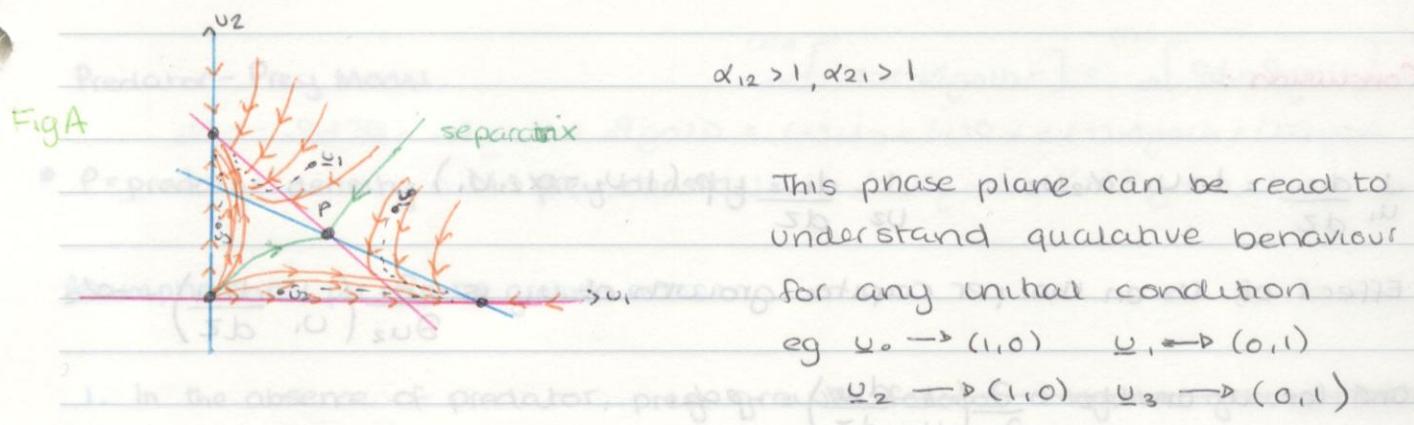
4th case  $\alpha_{21} > 1, \alpha_{12} < 1$  is as ↑ with lines swapped over.



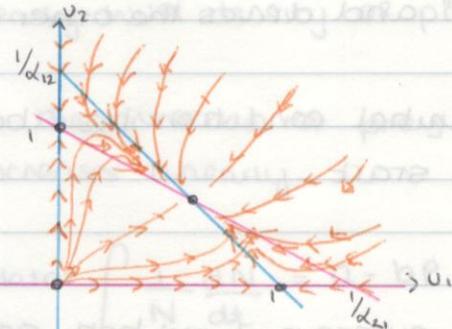
On  $\alpha_1 = 0$   $\frac{du_2}{dz} = p u_2 (1 - u_2)$

This gives trajectory on axes

$$u_2 = p_2 [u_2 (1 - u_2) - C_2 K_1 u_1 u_2]$$

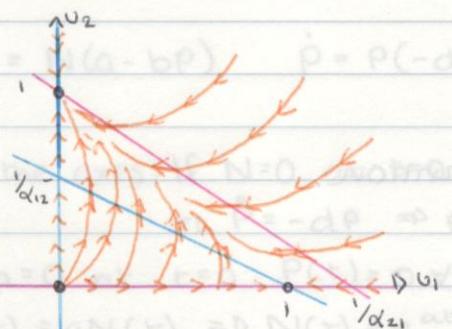


Case  $\alpha_{12} < 1, \alpha_{21} < 1$



Now the picture has changed  
For any initial condition not lying on the axes, the solution ends up at P.  
ie if both populations start positive then the result is coexistence.

Case  $\alpha_{12} > 1, \alpha_{21} < 1$



For any initial condition with  $u_2 > 0$  the solution ends up at  $(0,1)$

No matter how small  $u_2$  is in comparison to  $u_1$  at  $t=0$ ,  $u_2$  eventually drives  $u_1$  extinct.

The case  $\alpha_{12} < 1, \alpha_{21} > 1$  is the same as previous case but with  $(0,1)$  replaced by  $(1,0)$ .

Conclusion:

Case I:  $\alpha_{12} > 1, \alpha_{21} > 1$

$$\frac{1}{u_1} \frac{du_1}{dt} = 1 - u_1 - \alpha_{12} u_2$$

$$\frac{1}{u_2} \frac{du_2}{dt} = p(1 - u_2 - \alpha_{21} u_1)$$

Conclusion :

$$\frac{1}{U_1} \frac{du_1}{dz} = 1 - U_1 - \alpha_{12} U_2 \quad \frac{1}{U_2} \frac{du_2}{dz} = \rho (1 - U_2 - \alpha_{21} U_1)$$

Effect of  $U_2$  on the per capita growth of  $U_1$  is  $\frac{\partial}{\partial U_2} \left( \frac{1}{U_1} \frac{du_1}{dz} \right) = -\alpha_{12}$

and for  $U_1$  on  $U_2$   $\frac{\partial}{\partial U_1} \left( \frac{1}{U_2} \frac{du_2}{dz} \right) = -\rho \alpha_{21}$

Case I:  $\alpha_{12} > 1, \alpha_{21} > 1$

Here  $\frac{\partial}{\partial U_2} \left( \frac{1}{U_1} \frac{du_1}{dz} \right) = -\alpha_{12}$  is very negative, as is  $\frac{\partial}{\partial U_1} \left( \frac{1}{U_2} \frac{du_2}{dz} \right)$

This is interpreted as strong competition.

Fig A shows one species always "wins" and drives the other to extinction.

Which species wins depends on whether the initial condition lies above the separatrix i.e. which has the head start.

Case II:  $\alpha_{12} < 1, \alpha_{21} < 1$

Weak competition. Stable coexistence is outcome if both species start with positive populations.

Case III:  $\alpha_{12} > 1, \alpha_{21} < 1$

$\Rightarrow$  effect of 2 on 1 is strong

(effect of 1 on 2 is weak)

$\Rightarrow$  species 2 "wins" and drives 1 to extinction.

## Predator-Prey Model.

- $P$  = predator density,  $N$  = prey density.

Assumptions on per capita growth rates:

- in the absence of predator, prey growth follows a logistic growth law  
i.e.  $b$  is a positive constant.
- in the absence of prey, predator per capita growth rate is a negative constant.
- in the presence of predator, per capita growth rate of prey decreases linearly with density of predator.
- In the presence of prey, the per capita growth of predator increases linearly.

Predator Prey Model

$$\begin{cases} \frac{dN}{dt} = a - bP \\ \frac{dP}{dt} = -d + cN \end{cases} \quad a, b, c, d > 0$$

$$\dot{N} = N(a - bP) \quad \dot{P} = P(-d + cN)$$

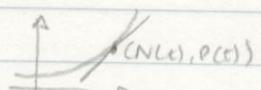
On the axes: If  $N=0$  at  $t=0$ ,  $N(t)=0 \forall t \geq 0$

$$\Rightarrow \dot{P} = -dP \Rightarrow P(t) = e^{-dt} P(0) \rightarrow 0 \text{ exponentially.}$$

If  $P=0$  at  $t=0$   $P(t)=0 \forall t \geq 0$

$$\dot{N}(t) = aN(t) \Rightarrow N(t) = e^{at} N(0) \Rightarrow \text{exponential growth} \quad \Delta$$

$$\frac{dP}{dN} = \frac{P(-d + cN)}{N(a - bP)} \quad \text{along a trajectory } (N(t), P(t))$$



$$\Rightarrow \frac{(a - bP)}{P} dP = \frac{(-d + cN)}{N} dN$$

$$\int_{P_0}^{P(t)} \frac{a}{P} - b \, dP = \int_{N_0}^{N(t)} -\frac{d}{N} + c \, dN$$

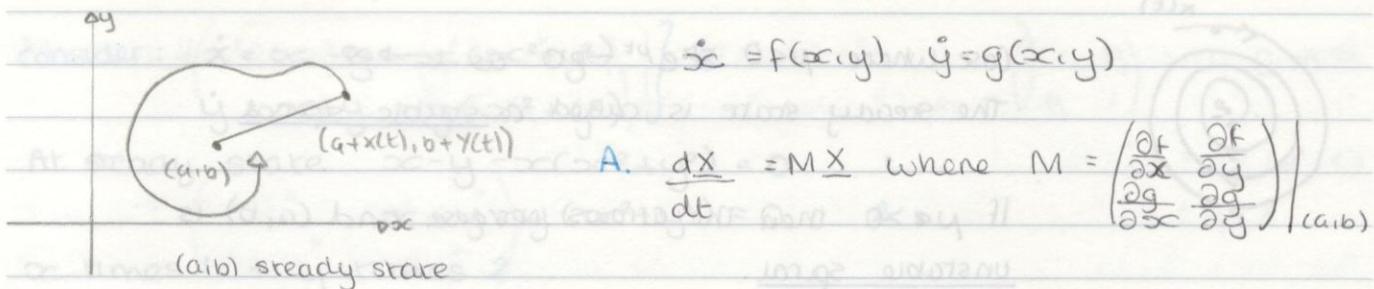
where  $N_0 = N(0)$   $P_0 = P(0)$

$$[\text{alog } P - bP]_{P_0}^{P(t)} = [-\text{alog } N + cN]_{N_0}^{N(t)}$$

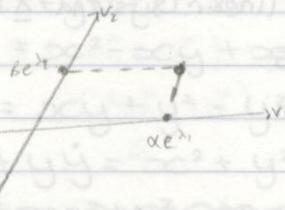
$$\text{alog } P(t) + \text{alog } N(t) - bP(t) - cN(t) = \text{alog } P_0 + \text{alog } N_0 - bP_0 - cN_0$$

i.e.  $\delta(t) : \text{alog } P(t) + \text{alog } N(t) - bP(t) - cN(t)$  is constant in time

At everywhere



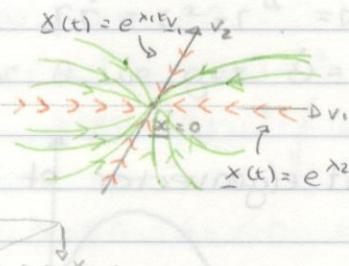
If  $M$  has real eigenvalues  $\lambda_1, \lambda_2$  with respective eigenvectors  $v_1, v_2$ , then solution of  $A$  is  $x(t) = \alpha e^{\lambda_1 t} v_1 + \beta e^{\lambda_2 t} v_2$ .



Case  $\lambda_1 < \lambda_2 < 0$

Here  $e^{\lambda_1 t} \rightarrow 0$  } as  $t \rightarrow \infty$   
 $e^{\lambda_2 t} \rightarrow 0$

But  $\lambda_1 e^{\lambda_1 t} \rightarrow 0$  faster than  $e^{\lambda_2 t}$  because  $\lambda_1 < \lambda_2$



If  $X(0) = v_1$  then  $X(t)$  stays on the line  
 $Kv_1, K \in \mathbb{R}$ .

$$\dot{X} = \lambda_1 e^{\lambda_1 t} v_1 = e^{\lambda_1 t} Mv_1,$$

$$= M(e^{\lambda_1 t} v_1) = MX(t)$$

$\Rightarrow X(t) = e^{\lambda_1 t} v_1$  lies on the line with direction  $v_1$  through  $0$

If  $\lambda_1 < 0$ ,  $X(t) \rightarrow 0$  along this line.

(a,b) is called stable node. stable because if  $|X(0)|$  is small  $X(t) \rightarrow 0$  as  $t \rightarrow \infty$  and  $\lambda_1, \lambda_2 < 0$ .

If  $\lambda_1, \lambda_2$  are positive the arrows reverse direction and then (a,b) is called unstable (node)

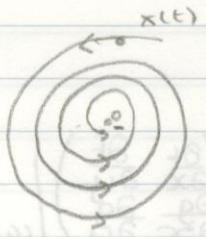
Case  $\lambda_1, \lambda_2$  complex conjugate.

Say  $\lambda_1 = \nu + i\omega$   $\lambda_2 = \nu - i\omega$  ( $\nu, \omega \neq 0$ )

Now  $X(t) = \operatorname{Re} \{ e^{\nu t} \operatorname{Re} \{ A e^{i\omega t} v_1 + B e^{-i\omega t} v_2 \} \}$

This gives  $X(t) = e^{\nu t} (\tilde{A} \cos(\omega t) + \tilde{B} \sin(\omega t))$ ,  $\tilde{A}, \tilde{B}$  real vectors

Controls  $|X(t)|$  controls polar angle.



Case where  $\mu < 0 \Rightarrow e^{\mu t} \rightarrow 0$  as  $t \rightarrow \infty$

The steady state is called a stable spiral

If  $\mu > 0$  then the arrows reverse and  $(a, b)$  is unstable spiral.

If  $\mu = 0$  then  $e^{\mu t} = 1 \forall t$  so we only have the oscillatory component



The trajectories  $X(t)$  [of the linear system  $\dot{X} = MX$ ]

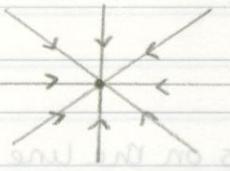
The trajectories are closed orbits

Called a centre

Case  $\lambda_1 = \lambda_2$

Jordan normal form of  $M$  is  $\begin{pmatrix} a & 0 \\ b & a \end{pmatrix}$  where  $a = \lambda_1 = \lambda_2 (\neq 0)$

• Subcase A:  $b=0 \Rightarrow JF \begin{pmatrix} a & 0 \\ 0 & a \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow$  any  $\vec{v} \neq 0$  is an eigenvector



Stable star ( $a < 0$ )

• Subcase B:  $b \neq 0$

In this case there is only one linearly independent eigenvector of  $M$



Here arcoun is  $a < 0$

stable (degenerate node)

Case  $\lambda_1, \lambda_2 > 0$

Case  $\lambda_1, \lambda_2 < 0$ .

Take  $\lambda_1 < 0, \lambda_2 > 0$



Saddle

Is unstable since perturbation grows in the direction that corresponds to the positive eigenvalue.

This covers all cases where  $\text{Re } \lambda \neq 0$ .

For this course we ignore cases where  $\text{Re } \lambda = 0$  (except centres)

$\mu$  everywhere!

$$\text{consider: } \begin{cases} \dot{x} = \mu x - y - \mu(x^2 + y^2) \\ \dot{y} = x + y - y(x^2 + y^2) \end{cases}$$

$$\text{At steady state } \begin{aligned} x - y - \mu(x^2 + y^2) &= 0 & 1 \\ x + y - y(x^2 + y^2) &= 0 & 2 \end{aligned}$$

$x$  times 1 +  $y$  times 2

$$x^2 - xy - \mu x^2(x^2 + y^2) = 0 \quad \text{if } x \neq 0, y \neq 0$$

$$\mu xy + y^2 - y^2(x^2 + y^2) = 0$$

$$x^2 + y^2 - (x^2 + y^2)^2 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 + y^2 = 0 \text{ or } x^2 + y^2 = 1 \Rightarrow \mu = 0, y = 0 \text{ only steady state}$$

$$\mu \dot{x} = \mu x - xy + x^2(x^2 + y^2)$$

$$y \dot{y} = \mu y + y^2 - y^2(x^2 + y^2)$$

$$\mu \dot{x} + y \dot{y} = x^2 + y^2 = (x^2 + y^2)^2$$

see  $r^2 = x^2 + y^2$

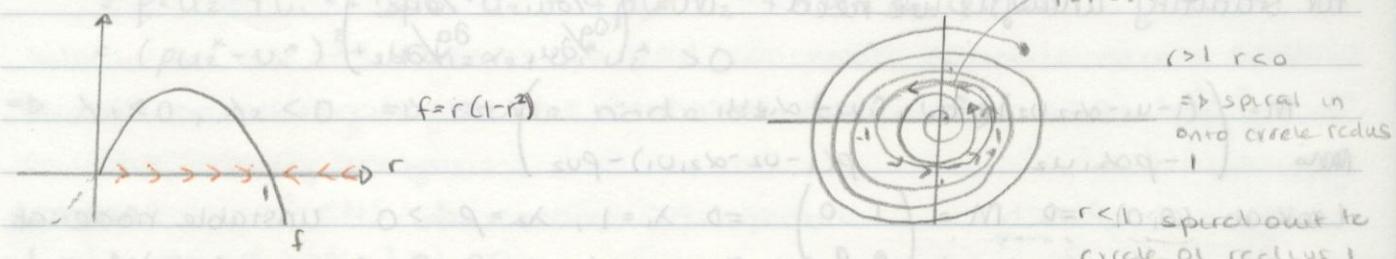
$$\frac{d}{dt} \frac{1}{2} (x^2 + y^2) = (x^2 + y^2) - (x^2 + y^2)^2$$

set  $r^2 = x^2 + y^2$   $\tan \theta = y/x$  polar coordinates

$$\frac{d}{dt} \left( \frac{1}{2} r^2 \right) = r^2 - (r^2)^2 = r^2 - r^4$$

$$rr' = r^2 - r^4 \Rightarrow r' = r(1-r^2)$$

For  $\theta$  we get  $\dot{\theta} = 1$



Phase plane shows  $\underline{0} = (0,0)$  is a unstable spiral.

Now do linear stability analysis for  $\underline{0} = (0,0)$

$$\dot{x} = \mu x - y - \mu(x^2 + y^2) = f$$

$$\dot{y} = \mu x + y - y(x^2 + y^2) = g$$

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial x} = \mu - (x^2 + y^2) - 2\mu x^2 = \mu \text{ at } (0,0)$$

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial y} = -1 - 2\mu xy = -1$$

$$\frac{\partial g}{\partial x} = 1 - 2\mu xy = 1$$

$$\frac{\partial g}{\partial y} = \mu - (x^2 + y^2) - 2y^2 = \mu$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{At } 0 \quad M = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad \det(M - \lambda I) = \begin{vmatrix} 0-\lambda & -1 \\ 1 & 0-\lambda \end{vmatrix} = (\lambda^2 + 1)$$

$$\Rightarrow \lambda = \pm i$$

$$x = 0 \pm i$$

$$\text{Case } \mu=0 \Rightarrow \lambda = \pm i$$

predicts centre, but what we get is a stable spiral at (0,0)



Competitive model Revised.

$$\text{Jordan normal form of } M \text{ is } \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\dot{u}_1 = u_1(1-u_1-\alpha_{12}u_2) = f$$

$$\dot{u}_2 = pu_2(1-u_2-\alpha_{21}u_1) = g$$

This system has 3 steady states on the axes: (0,0), (1,0), (0,1)

and has an interior steady state  $(u_1^*, u_2^*)$  provided that  $\alpha_{12}, \alpha_{21} < 1$

The  $u_1^*, u_2^*$  satisfy  $1-u_1^*-\alpha_{12}u_2^*=0$ ,  $1-u_2^*-\alpha_{21}u_1^*=0$

$$\text{For stability analysis we need } M = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\partial f}{\partial u_1} & \frac{\partial f}{\partial u_2} \\ \frac{\partial g}{\partial u_1} & \frac{\partial g}{\partial u_2} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$M = \begin{pmatrix} (1-u_1-\alpha_{12}u_2) & -\alpha_{12}u_1 \\ -p\alpha_{21}u_2 & p(1-u_2-\alpha_{21}u_1)-pu_2 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\text{Look at } (0,0) \Rightarrow M = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & p \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow \lambda_1 = 1, \lambda_2 = p > 0 \text{ unstable node at } (0,0).$$

$$\text{At } (1,0) \quad M_{(1,0)} = \begin{pmatrix} -1 & -\alpha_{12} \\ 0 & p(1-\alpha_{21}) \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow \lambda_1 = -1, \lambda_2 = p(1-\alpha_{21})$$

If  $\alpha_{21} > 1$ ,  $\lambda_1, \lambda_2 < 0 \Rightarrow$  stable node

$\alpha_{21} < 1$ ,  $\lambda_1 = -1, \lambda_2 \geq 0 \Rightarrow$  saddle (unstable)

$$\text{At } (0,1) \Rightarrow M = \begin{pmatrix} 1-\alpha_{12} & 0 \\ -p\alpha_{21} & -p \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow \lambda_2 = -p < 0$$

So  $(0,1)$  is stable node if  $\alpha_{12} > 1$   
- saddle if  $\alpha_{12} < 1$

Last possibility is when  $(u_1^*, u_2^*)$  exists

i.e. when  $\alpha_{12}, \alpha_{21} > 1$

or  $\alpha_{12}, \alpha_{21} < 1$

$$M(u_1^*, u_2^*) = \begin{pmatrix} (1 - u_1^* - \alpha_{12} u_2^*) - u_1^* & -\alpha_{12} u_1^* - M \\ -p \alpha_{12} u_2^* & p(1 - u_2^* - \alpha_{21} u_1^*) - pu_2^* \end{pmatrix}$$

$\xrightarrow{\lambda=0}$

$$\begin{pmatrix} -u_1^* & -\alpha_{12} u_1^* \\ p \alpha_{12} u_2^* & -pu_2^* \end{pmatrix}$$

Eigenvalues satisfy

$$\begin{vmatrix} -u_1^* - \lambda & -\alpha_{12} u_1^* \\ p \alpha_{12} u_2^* & -pu_2^* - \lambda \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

$$(u_1^* + \lambda)(pu_2^* + \lambda) - p \alpha_{12} \alpha_{21} u_1^* u_2^* = 0$$

$$\lambda^2 + \lambda(pu_2^* + u_1^*) + p(1 - \alpha_{12} \alpha_{21}) u_1^* u_2^* = 0$$

$$\lambda_{1,2} = -\frac{(pu_2^* + u_1^*)}{2} \pm \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{(pu_2^* + u_1^*)^2 - 4p(1 - \alpha_{12} \alpha_{21}) u_1^* u_2^*}$$

Case  $\alpha_{12} > 1, \alpha_{21} > 1 \Rightarrow \alpha_{12} \alpha_{21} > 1$

$$(pu_2^* + u_1^*)^2 - 4p(1 - \alpha_{12} \alpha_{21}) u_1^* u_2^* > (pu_2^* + u_1^*)^2$$

From 1 we see that  $\sqrt{m} > pu_2^* + u_1^*$

$\Rightarrow \lambda_1, \lambda_2$  have opposite signs  $\Rightarrow$  saddle.

For  $\alpha_{12} < 1, \alpha_{21} < 1 \quad 1 - \alpha_{12} \alpha_{21} > 0$  and so  $\lambda_1, \lambda_2$  have both real parts  $< 0$ .

$$(pu_2^* + u_1^*)^2 - 4p(1 - \alpha_{12} \alpha_{21}) u_1^* u_2^*$$

$$= p^2 u_2^{*2} + u_1^{*2} + 2pu_1^* u_2^* - 4pu_1^* u_2^* + 4\alpha_{12} \alpha_{21} u_1^* u_2^*$$

$$= (pu_2^* - u_1^*)^2 + 4\alpha_{12} \alpha_{21} u_1^* u_2^* > 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \lambda_1 < 0, \lambda_2 < 0 \Rightarrow \text{stable node at } (u_1^*, u_2^*)$$

**Lemma:** Let  $M$  be a real  $2 \times 2$  matrix with eigenvalues  $\lambda_1, \lambda_2$

Then  $\lambda_1 \lambda_2 = \det M$

$\lambda_1 + \lambda_2 = \text{trace } M$

**Proof:**  $M = \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix}$

$$|M - \lambda I| = 0$$

$$\begin{vmatrix} a - \lambda & b \\ c & d - \lambda \end{vmatrix} = 0 \quad ad - (a+d)\lambda + \lambda^2 - bc = 0 = c(\lambda)$$

$+ad$

But  $(\lambda - \lambda_1)(\lambda - \lambda_2) = c(\lambda)$

$$\lambda^2 - (\lambda_1 + \lambda_2)\lambda + \lambda_1 \lambda_2 = c(\lambda)$$

$$\Rightarrow \lambda_1 + \lambda_2 = a+d = \text{trace } M \quad \lambda_1 \lambda_2 = ad - bc = \det M.$$

Recall: for  $(u_1^*, v_2^*)$   $M = \begin{pmatrix} -u_1^* & -\alpha_{12}u_1^* \\ -\alpha_{21}v_2^* & -\mu v_2^* \end{pmatrix}$

Trace  $M = \lambda_1 + \lambda_2$

$$= -u_1^* - \mu v_2^* < 0$$

$\det M = \lambda_1 \lambda_2$

$$= \rho u_1^* v_2^* (1 - \alpha_{12} \alpha_{21})$$

If  $\alpha_{12} > 1, \alpha_{21} > 1$  then  $\det M = \lambda_1 \lambda_2 < 0 \Rightarrow \lambda_1, \lambda_2$  real opposite sign  
 $\Rightarrow$  saddle.

$\alpha_{12} < 1, \alpha_{21} < 1$  then  $\lambda_1, \lambda_2 > 0$

If  $\lambda_1, \lambda_2 > 0$  then either  $\lambda_1, \lambda_2 < 0$

or  $\lambda_1, \lambda_2 > 0$

or  $\lambda_1 = \bar{\lambda}_2$

But  $\lambda_1 + \lambda_2 = \text{trace } M < 0 \Rightarrow$  rules out  $\lambda_1, \lambda_2 > 0$

For remaining two cases,  $\lambda_1 + \lambda_2 < 0 \Rightarrow \lambda_1, \lambda_2 < 0$  if  $\lambda$  is real

$\lambda_1 + \lambda_2 = 2\operatorname{Re}(\lambda) < 0 \Rightarrow$  real parts of  $\lambda_1, \lambda_2$  are negative

The system has 2 steady states in the axes (and,  $\lambda_1 = \bar{\lambda}_2$ ) are negative

In either case real parts  $< 0 \Rightarrow$  stable

$\lambda_1, \lambda_2$  real  $\Rightarrow$  stable node

The complex  $\Rightarrow$  stable spiral.

To increase realism of model introduce density dependence into growth rates

$$\frac{\dot{N}}{N} = a - bP - cN \quad \text{intraspecific competition}$$

i.e. competition between  $a, b, c, d, e, f > 0$

$$\frac{\dot{P}}{P} = -d + cN - fP \quad \text{members of same species.}$$

Now if  $P(0) = 0$

$$\frac{\dot{N}}{N} = N(a - cN) \Rightarrow N(t) \rightarrow \frac{a}{c} \text{ as } t \rightarrow \infty \text{ if } N(0) > 0$$

At  $(0, 0) \Rightarrow M = \begin{pmatrix} a & -cN \\ -d & -fP \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow \lambda_1 = -P < 0$  (logistic growth)

Steady states

$$\dot{N} = 0 \quad \dot{P} = 0$$

$$N = 0 \quad P = 0$$

$$\text{or } a - bP - cN = 0$$

$$\text{or } -d + cN - fP = 0$$



If  $N=0$  then either  $P=0$

$$\text{or } -d-fP=0 \Rightarrow P = -\frac{d}{f} < 0 \text{ not relevant}$$

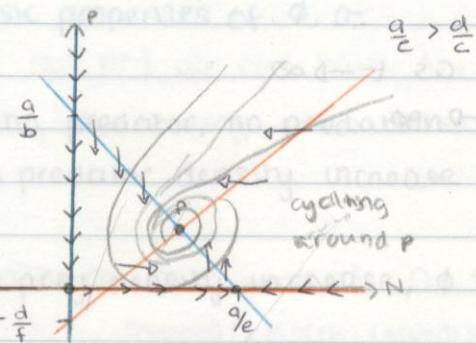
If  $a-bP-eN=0$  then either  $P=0$  or  $-d+cN-fP=0$

If  $P=0$ ,  $N=\frac{a}{e}$   $\Rightarrow (\frac{a}{e}, 0)$  is a steady state

Last possibility is an interior steady state:

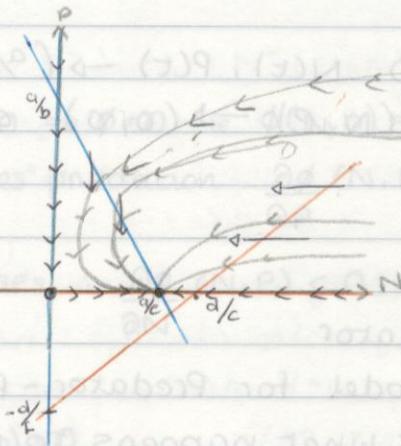
$$\begin{aligned} a-bP-eN &= 0 & (e-b)(N) &= (a) \\ -d+cN-fP &= 0 & (c-f)(P) &= (d) \\ \left(\begin{array}{l} N \\ P \end{array}\right) &= \frac{-1}{ef+bc} \left(\begin{array}{cc} -f & -b \\ -c & e \end{array}\right) \left(\begin{array}{l} a \\ d \end{array}\right) & = \frac{1}{ef+bc} \left(\begin{array}{l} fa+bd \\ ca-ed \end{array}\right) \end{aligned}$$

exist only if  
 $ca > ed$



$$\dot{N}=0 \quad N(a-bP-eN)$$

$$\dot{P}=0 \quad P(-d+cN-fP)$$



Without the  $eN$  and  $fP$  terms we had concentric periodic orbits around the interior steady states: is this preserved when  $e>0$ ,  $f>0$ ?

Do linear stability analysis:

$$\dot{N} = N(a-bP-eN) = F$$

$$\dot{P} = P(-d+cN-fP) = G$$

$$M = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\partial F}{\partial N} & \frac{\partial F}{\partial P} \\ \frac{\partial G}{\partial N} & \frac{\partial G}{\partial P} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} (a-bP-eN)+N(-e) & -bN \\ cP & (-d+cN-fP)+P(-f) \end{pmatrix}$$

$$M_{(0,0)} = \begin{pmatrix} a & 0 \\ 0 & -d \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow \lambda_1 = a > 0, \lambda_2 = -d < 0 \Rightarrow \text{saddle}$$

$$M_{(\frac{a}{e}, 0)} = \begin{pmatrix} -a & -\frac{ba}{e} \\ 0 & \frac{ca}{e}-d \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{If } ca > de \text{ (P exists)} \Rightarrow \lambda_1 < 0, \lambda_2 > 0$$

If  $ca < de$  (P not exists)  $\lambda_1 < 0, \lambda_2 < 0 \Rightarrow \text{stable node}$ .

(Weniger Neurals)

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If interior steady state exists ( $ca > de$ )

$$M = \begin{pmatrix} -eN^* & -bN^* \\ cp & -fp^* \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow \text{trace } M = -eN^* - fp^* < 0 \quad \text{since } N^* > 0, p^* > 0, e, f = 0$$

$$\det M = N^* p^* (ef - cb) > 0 \Rightarrow \text{stable node or spiral.}$$

### Case $ca > de$

If  $N(0) > 0, P(0) > 0, (N, P) \rightarrow$  interior steady states as  $t \rightarrow \infty$

~~$N(0) > 0, P(0) > 0$~~

$N(0) > 0, P(0) = 0, (N, P) \rightarrow (\frac{a}{e}, 0)$  as  $t \rightarrow \infty$

$N(0) = 0, P(0) = 0, (N, P) \rightarrow (0, 0)$  as  $t \rightarrow \infty$

### Case $ca < de$

Unless  $N(0) = 0, N(t), P(t) \rightarrow (\frac{a}{e}, 0)$  as  $t \rightarrow \infty$

If  $N(0) = 0, (N, P) \rightarrow (0, 0)$  as  $t \rightarrow \infty$

### Predator - Prey

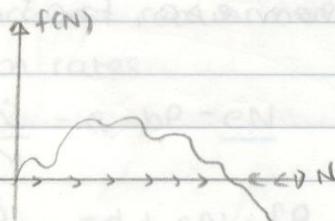
$N$  = prey  $P$  = predator

Build general model for Predator - Prey interaction

Starting point: What happens to prey in absence of predator

If  $P=0$  we would have  $\dot{N} = N p(N) = f(N)$

We factor the  $N$  out since we want no growth when  $N=0$



Sensible to suppose that if  $P=0, N(0) > 0$ , then  $N(t) \rightarrow$  carrying capacity  $K > 0$ .

We can do this by insisting:  $p(0) = 0, p(K) = 0$  and  $p(N) \neq 0$  for  $N \neq K, N > 0$

At 0,  $f'(0) = p(N) + N p'(N)$

$f'(0) = p(0) \Rightarrow$  need  $f'(0) = p(0) > 0$

These conditions (assuming smooth  $p$ )  $\Rightarrow p'(K) < 0$

since  $f'(K) = p(K) + K p'(K) = K p'(K)$

$= 0$

Conditions  $\alpha$  say that if  $P=0, N(0) > 0$ , then  $N(t) \rightarrow K$  carrying capacity.

Now introduce predation:

$$\dot{N} = N\phi(N) - N\sigma(N, P)$$

So per capita growth  $\frac{\dot{N}}{N} = \phi(N) - \sigma(N, P)$

For the predator  $\frac{\dot{P}}{P} = -\mu + \sigma(N)$   $\mu > 0$

If no food

( $\sigma(N)$  absent)

then  $\dot{P} = -\mu P \Rightarrow P(t) = e^{-\mu t} P(0) \rightarrow 0$  extinction.

The  $\sigma(N)$  term models the contribution to per capita growth of predator due to prey consumption.

### Basic properties of $\phi, \sigma$ :

If no predator, no predation  $\sigma(P=0) = 0 \Rightarrow \phi(N, 0) = 0 \forall N \geq 0$ .

As predator density increase so does predation  $\frac{\partial \phi}{\partial P}(N, P) > 0$ .

As prey density increase,  $\phi$  decreases  $\frac{\partial \phi}{\partial N}(N, P) < 0$

because as  $N \uparrow$   
the chance of an  
individual being  
chosen for dinner  
decreases.

For  $\sigma$ :

No prey  $\Rightarrow$  no food consumed  $\sigma(0) = 0$

As prey density increase, so does per capita consumption:  $\sigma(N) > 0$

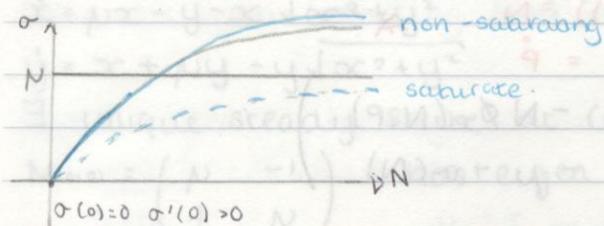
### Steady states:

$$N = 0 \quad \text{and} \quad P = 0$$

$$\text{or } P(N) - \phi(N, P) = 0 \quad \text{or } \sigma(N) = \mu (> 0)$$

If  $N = 0$ , then  $P = 0$  is only possibility.

If  $\sigma(N) = \mu$  - does this have any solutions?

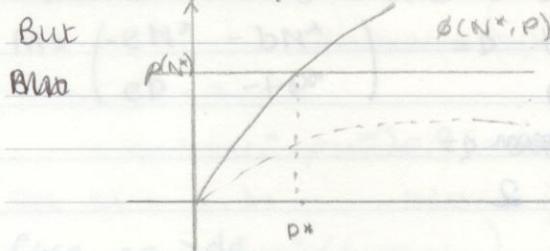


if  $\sigma$  does not saturate then there exists a unique  $N^*$  such that  $\sigma(N^*) = \mu$   
if  $\sigma$  saturates above  $\mu$  then  $\exists$  unique  $N^*$  with  $\sigma(N^*) = \mu$

If  $\sigma$  saturates below  $\mu$ , there is no solution

For the predator, we seek solutions  $P$  to  $\phi(N^*, P) = p(N^*)$

But



Thus

If  $\phi$  saturates below  $p(N^*)$  then no  $p^*$  exists

If  $\phi$  saturates above  $p(N^*)$  then  $\exists$  unique  $p^*$

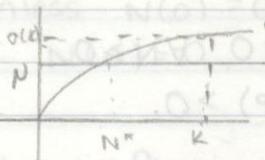
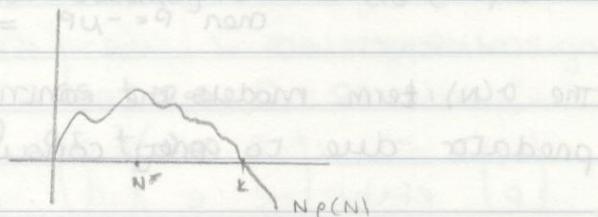
To ensure  $p(N^*) > 0 \Rightarrow N^* \in (0, K)$

$$\alpha(N^*) = \mu$$

$\sigma$  increase  $\Rightarrow$  has inverse  $\sigma^{-1}$

$$N^* = \sigma^{-1}(\mu) \in (0, K)$$

$$\Rightarrow \mu < \sigma(K)$$

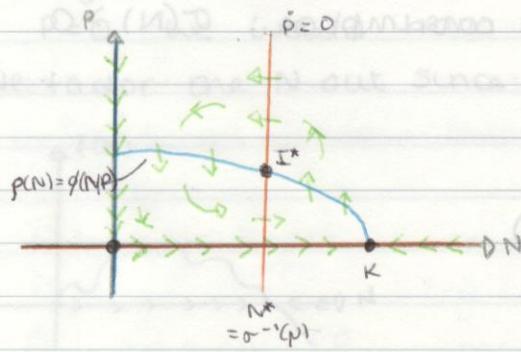


Indeed if  $\sigma(K) > \mu$  then  $\sigma$  curve goes above  $N$   $\Rightarrow N^*$  exists.

There is also a steady state when  $N=K$ ,  $P=0$  (since  $p(K)=0$ ,  $\phi(N,0)=0$ )

**Conclusion:** Steady states always include  $(0,0)$  and  $(K,0)$

If  $\sigma(K) > \mu$  and  $p(N^*) = \phi(N^*, P)$  has a solution  $P^*$  then  $\exists$  interior steady state  $(N^*, P^*)$ .



There's a form of cycling around  $I^*$   
but more analysis required to find details.

Linear stability analysis may help complete phase plane picture near  $I^*$

$$M = \begin{pmatrix} F_N & F_P \\ G_N & G_P \end{pmatrix}$$

$$F = N(p(N) - \phi(N, P)) = \dot{N}$$

$$G = P(-\mu + \sigma(N)) = \dot{P}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} (p(N) - \phi(N, P)) + N(p'(N) - \phi'_N(N, P)) & -N\phi_p(N, P) \\ P\sigma'(N) & -\mu + \sigma(N) \end{pmatrix}$$

$$M_{(0,0)} = \begin{pmatrix} p(0) & 0 \\ 0 & -\mu \end{pmatrix}$$

$p(0) > 0$ ,  $\mu > 0 \Rightarrow \lambda_1, \lambda_2 < 0 \Rightarrow (0,0)$  is a saddle

$$M_{(K,0)} = \begin{pmatrix} Kp'(K) & -K\phi_p(K,0) \\ 0 & -\mu + \sigma(K) \end{pmatrix} \quad \lambda_1 = Kp'(K) < 0 \quad \text{if interior steady state exists} \Rightarrow \text{saddle}$$

$$\lambda_2 = \sigma(K) - \mu > 0$$

If  $\alpha(K) < \mu$ , so that interior steady state does not exist then  $(K, 0)$  is a steady node.

Interior steady state  $I^* = (N^*, P^*)$   $N^* > 0, P^* > 0$  ( $\alpha(K) > \mu$ )

$$M(N^*, P^*) = \begin{pmatrix} N^*(P'(N^*) - \phi_N(N^*, P^*)) & -N^*\phi_P(N^*, P^*) \\ P^*\alpha'(N^*) & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

Using lemma on sum and product of eigenvalues:

$$\text{tr}(M) = \lambda_1 + \lambda_2$$

$$\det(M) = \lambda_1 \lambda_2$$

$$\text{So } \lambda_1 + \lambda_2 = N^*(P'(N^*) - \phi_P(N^*, P^*))$$

$$\lambda_1 \lambda_2 = N^* P^* \alpha'(N^*) \phi_P(N^*, P^*) > 0$$

At  $(N^*, P^*)$  we can have  $\lambda_1, \lambda_2$  real  $\Rightarrow \lambda_1 + \lambda_2 = N^*(P'(N^*) - \phi_P(N^*, P^*)) < 0 \Rightarrow \lambda_1, \lambda_2$  negative

$\Rightarrow \lambda_1, \lambda_2$  complex conjugates,  $\lambda_1 = \lambda_2 \pm i\omega$

$$\lambda_1 + \lambda_2 = 2 \operatorname{Re}\{\lambda_1\}$$

$$= N^*(P'(N^*) - \phi_P(N^*, P^*))$$

$\Rightarrow$  if  $P'(N^*) - \phi_P(N^*, P^*) < 0$   $\operatorname{Re}\{\lambda_1\} = \operatorname{Re}\{\lambda_2\} < 0 \Rightarrow$  stable spiral

$> 0$   $\operatorname{Re}\{\lambda_1\} = \operatorname{Re}\{\lambda_2\} > 0 \Rightarrow$  unstable spiral.

If  $P'(N^*) - \phi_P(N^*, P^*) = 0$  (can't have  $\lambda_1, \lambda_2$  real since  $\lambda_1, \lambda_2 > 0$ )

and so  $\lambda_1 = i\omega, \lambda_2 = -i\omega \Rightarrow$  linear stability analysis suggest centre.

### Hopf Bifurcation:

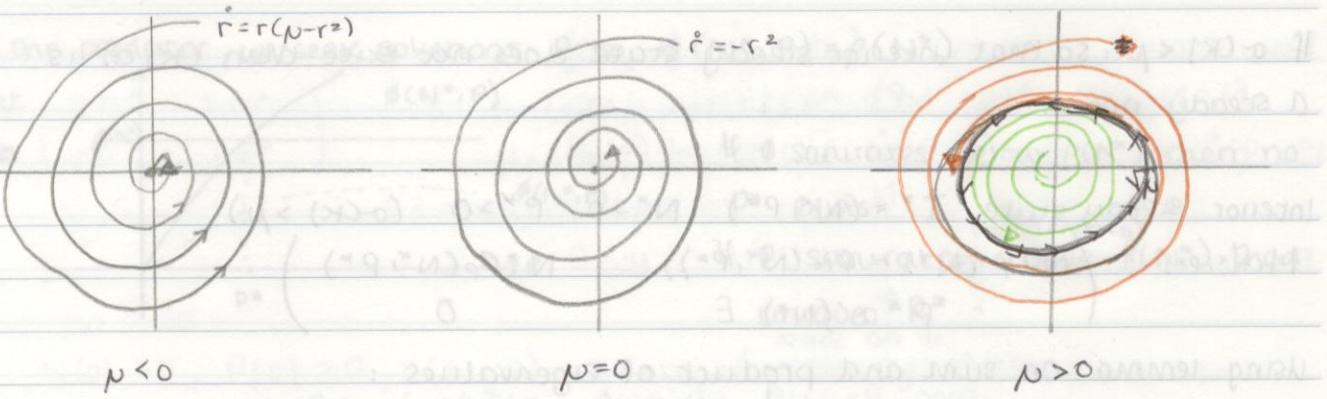
$$\dot{x} = \mu x - y - x \sqrt{x^2 + y^2}$$

$$\dot{y} = x + \mu y - y \sqrt{x^2 + y^2}$$

$\exists$  unique steady state at  $(0, 0)$

$M_{(0,0)} = \begin{pmatrix} \mu & -1 \\ 1 & \mu \end{pmatrix}$  has eigen values  $\mu \pm i$

Polar coords give  $\dot{r} = r(\mu - r^2) - l, \dot{\theta} = 1$



Let  $\dot{x} = f(x, y, \mu)$ ,  $\dot{y} = g(x, y, \mu)$  \*  $(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2$  be a planar system.  $f, g$  are analytic in  $x, y$  and  $\mu$ .

Let  $(x_\mu, y_\mu)$  be a steady state of \* for  $\mu \in (-\epsilon, \epsilon)$  with  $\epsilon > 0$ .

Take  $M = \begin{pmatrix} f_x & f_y \\ g_x & g_y \end{pmatrix}$

Suppose  $M$  has complex eigenvalues

$$\lambda_{\pm} = \sigma(\mu) \pm i\omega(\mu) \quad \mu \in (-\epsilon, \epsilon)$$

and assume  $\sigma(\mu) < 0$  for  $\mu \in (-\epsilon, 0)$

$\sigma(0) = 0$  for  $\mu = 0$  then  $w(0) \neq 0$  (since  $P(0) = 0, d(N, 0) \neq 0$ )

$\sigma(\mu) > 0$  for  $\mu \in (0, \epsilon)$

Finally we suppose that for  $\mu = 0$ , then  $(x_0, y_0)$  is (locally) stable and  $d\sigma(0) > 0$

$$d\mu$$

Then: For sufficiently small  $\mu > 0$  the unstable steady state  $(x_\mu, y_\mu)$  is surrounded by an attracting periodic orbit, (which depends on  $\mu$ ). The period of oscillation is approximately  $\frac{2\pi}{\omega(0)}$

The  $p(N) = \phi(N, P)$  nullcline in more detail

On this nullcline, we can express  $P$  as a function of  $N$

So on the nullcline:  $p(N) = \phi(N, p(N))$

$$\text{and } p'(N) = \frac{\partial \phi(N, p(N))}{\partial N} + \frac{\partial \phi(N, p(N))}{\partial P} p'(N) \quad \text{chain rule}$$

$$\Rightarrow p'(N) = p'(N) - \phi_N(N, p(N))$$

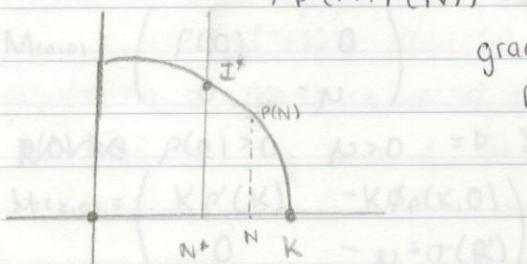
$$\phi_p(N, p(N))$$

gradient of nullcline at  $I^*$  is

$$p'(N^*) = p'(N^*) - \phi_N(N^*, p(N))$$

$$\phi_p(N^*, p^*)$$

$$= \frac{1}{N^*} \frac{1}{\phi_p(N^*, p^*)} \text{trace}(M)$$



$$\text{At } I^* \quad \text{tr}(M_{I^*}) = \lambda_1 + \lambda_2$$

$$= N^* \phi_p(N^*, P(N^*)) p'(N^*)$$

But  $N^* > 0, \phi_p > 0 \Rightarrow$  sign of  $\lambda_1 + \lambda_2 =$  sign of  $p'(N^*)$

So to know if  $I^*$  is stable we only need to know sign of gradient of nullcline at  $I^*$ .

Thus if  $p'(N^*) < 0$  then  $\lambda_1 + \lambda_2 < 0 \Rightarrow$  stable

$p'(N^*) > 0$  then  $\lambda_1 + \lambda_2 > 0 \Rightarrow$  unstable.

$$1: \dot{N} = Np(N) - N\phi(N, P) \quad \text{Prey}$$

$$2: \dot{P} = P(\phi(N) - \mu) \quad \text{Predator}$$

In 1  $N\phi(N, P)$  = density of prey removed by predator per unit time

$\frac{N\phi(N, P)}{P}$  = density of prey removed by predator per unit time per predator

= feeding rate of ~~per~~ a predator

=  $w$  say

### Holling functional responses

3 types I, II, III

$$\text{Type I} \quad w = \gamma N, \quad \phi = \frac{Pw}{N}$$

$$\text{eg. } N = N(p(N) - \gamma P) = Np(N) - \gamma NP$$

$$\phi(N, P) = \gamma P$$

$$w = \frac{N\gamma P}{P} = \gamma N.$$

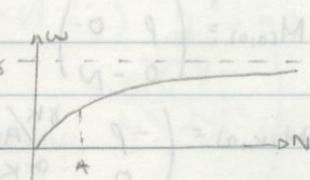
This says the feeding rate is increasing indefinitely with prey density. But this is not realistic since consumption rate of prey depends upon catching, handling time and eating  $\Rightarrow$  feeding rate must be limited.

Type II Here the feeding rate  $w$  saturates with  $N$ :

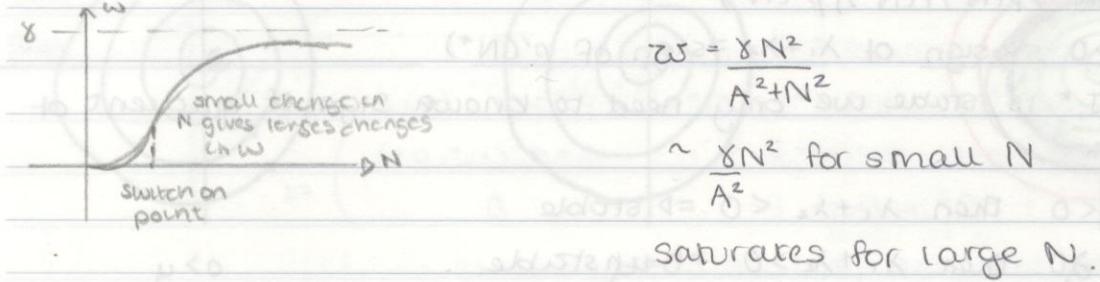
$$w = \frac{\gamma N}{A+N} \quad \gamma > 0, A > 0$$

$\gamma$  = maximum feeding rate

$A$  = is the value of  $N$  at which  $w$  is half maximal.



Type III : feeding rate saturates with  $N$ , but now there is a "switch on" point.



Example :

Holling type II :  $w = \frac{8N}{A+N}$ ,  $\sigma(N) = \frac{\sigma N}{P} \neq 0$  and  $P(N) = p(1 - \frac{N}{K})$

$$\dot{N} = pN\left(1 - \frac{N}{K}\right) - \frac{8NP}{A+N}$$

$$\dot{P} = P\left(\frac{\sigma N}{A+N} - \mu\right)$$

$$\text{Let } f = pN\left(1 - \frac{N}{K}\right) - \frac{8NP}{A+N}, \quad g = P\left(\frac{\sigma N}{A+N} - \mu\right)$$

Steady states:

$$N=0 \quad \text{and} \quad P=0$$

$$\text{or } p\left(1 - \frac{N}{K}\right) = \frac{8P}{A+N} \quad \text{or} \quad \frac{\sigma N}{A+N} = \mu$$

Hence there are steady states at  $(0,0)$  and  $(K,0)$ .

An interior steady state is at  $\sigma N = \mu(A+N)$

$$\Rightarrow N^* = \frac{\mu A}{\sigma - \mu} > 0 \text{ if } \sigma > \mu$$

But then  $P^* = \frac{f}{g}(A+N^*)\left(1 - \frac{N^*}{K}\right) > 0$  provided  $N^* < K$

$$\Rightarrow 0 < \frac{\mu A}{\sigma - \mu} < K$$

Stability

$$M = \begin{pmatrix} f_N & f_P \\ g_N & g_P \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} (p(1 - \frac{N}{K}) - \frac{8P}{A+N}) + N(-\frac{P}{K} + \frac{8P}{(A+N)^2}) & -\frac{8N}{A+N} \\ \frac{P\sigma}{(A+N)^2} & \frac{\sigma N}{A+N} - \mu \end{pmatrix}$$

$$M_{(0,0)} = \begin{pmatrix} p & 0 \\ 0 & -\mu \end{pmatrix} \quad \lambda_1 = p > 0, \quad \lambda_2 = -\mu < 0 \Rightarrow \text{saddle}$$

$$M_{(K,0)} = \begin{pmatrix} -p & \frac{8K}{A+K} \\ 0 & \frac{\sigma K}{A+K} - \mu \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\lambda_1 = -\rho < 0, \quad \lambda_2 = \frac{\sigma K}{A+N} - \mu < 0 \quad \sigma K < \mu(A+N)$$

$$= \mu A + K \mu$$

$$(\sigma - \mu) K < \mu A \text{ if } \frac{\mu A}{\sigma - \mu} < K$$

and  $(N^*, P^*)$  does not exist

$\Rightarrow$  stable node

$\text{det } M(N, P) = N(P - \mu K) > 0 \text{ if } 0 < \frac{\mu A}{\sigma - \mu} < K \text{ ie } (N^*, P^*) \text{ exists}$

$\Rightarrow$  saddle.

When  $0 < \frac{\mu A}{\sigma - \mu} < K$

$$M(N^*, P^*) = \begin{pmatrix} N^* \left( \frac{-\rho}{K} + \frac{8P^*}{(A+N^*)^2} \right) & -\frac{8N^*}{A+N^*} \\ \frac{P^* A \sigma}{(A+N^*)^2} & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\text{trace } M = \lambda_1 + \lambda_2 = N^* \left( -\frac{\rho}{K} + \frac{8P^*}{(A+N^*)^2} \right)$$

$$\det M = \lambda_1 \lambda_2 = \frac{8N^* P^* A \sigma}{(A+N^*)^3} > 0$$

$$N^* = \frac{\mu A}{\sigma - \mu}$$

$$\dot{N} = N\rho \left( 1 - \frac{N}{K} \right) - \frac{\sigma N P}{A+\rho} \Rightarrow \rho \left( 1 - \frac{N^*}{K} \right) = \frac{8P^*}{A+N^*}$$

$$\lambda_1 + \lambda_2 = N^* \left( -\frac{\rho}{K} + \frac{1}{A+N^*} \cdot \frac{8P^*}{A+N^*} \right)$$

$$= N^* \left( -\frac{\rho}{K} + \frac{1}{A+N^*} \rho \left( 1 - \frac{N^*}{K} \right) \right)$$

$$= \frac{\rho N^*}{K} \left( -1 + \frac{1}{A+N^*} (K-N^*) \right)$$

$$= \frac{\rho N^*}{K(A+N^*)} (-A - N^* + K - N^*)$$

$$= \frac{\rho N^*}{K(A+N^*)} (K - A - 2N^*)$$

$$= \frac{\rho N^*}{K(A+N^*)} \left( K - A - \frac{2\mu A}{\sigma - \mu} \right)$$

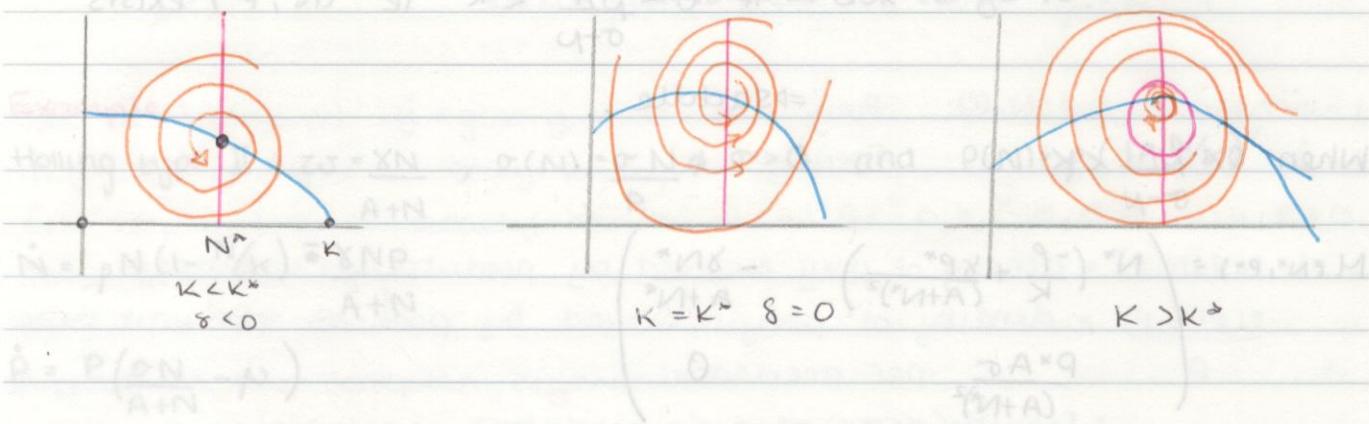
$$\text{Let } \delta = K - A - \frac{2\mu A}{\sigma - \mu} \quad (\sigma > \mu)$$

If  $K < A$  then  $\lambda_1, \lambda_2$  always have negative real parts  $\Rightarrow (N^*, P^*)$  stable.

But if  $K > A$  a change of sign in  $\lambda$  is possible

e.g. by increasing  $K$  from  $K < A + 2\sqrt{A}$  through this critical value

and above,  $\lambda$  moves from  $< 0$ , through  $0$  and then  $> 0$



### Holling Type III

$$\text{Feeding rate } z_w = \frac{\gamma N^2}{A+N^2}$$

$$\dot{N} = p N (1 - N/K) - \frac{\gamma N^3 P}{A^2 + N^2}$$

$$\dot{P} = p \left( \frac{\alpha N^2}{A^2 + N^2} - N \right)$$

Steady point states:

$$(0, 0), (K, 0)$$

For an interior steady state  $(N^*, P^*)$

$$p(1 - \frac{N^*}{K}) - \frac{\gamma N^* P^*}{A^2 + N^2} = 0$$

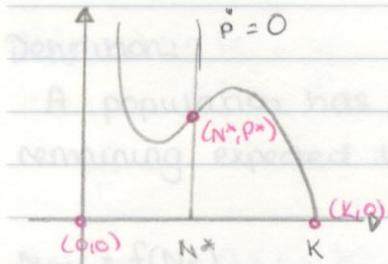
$$\frac{\alpha N^2}{A^2 + N^2} = p \rightarrow \alpha N^2 = p A^2 + p N^2$$

$$N^* = A \sqrt{\frac{p}{\alpha - p}} \quad \text{provided } \alpha > p$$

For  $P^*$  we solve

$$P^* = \frac{p}{\gamma N^*} (1 - \frac{N^*}{K}) (A^2 + N^2) > 0 \quad \text{if } N^* < K$$

$$\text{and } N^* < K \text{ we need } A \sqrt{\frac{p}{\alpha - p}} < K \quad (\alpha > p)$$



Case  $A\sqrt{\frac{N}{\delta N}} < K$  Nucleus:  $\frac{\sigma N^2}{A^2 + N^2} = N$

$$\dot{p} = \frac{p}{\delta N} \left( 1 - \frac{N}{K} \right) (A^2 + N^2)$$

Stability:  $f(N, p) = N \left( p \left( 1 - \frac{N}{K} \right) - \frac{\delta N p}{A^2 + N^2} \right)$

$$g(N, p) = p \left( \frac{\sigma N^2}{A^2 + N^2} - N \right)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial f}{\partial N} &= \left( p \left( 1 - \frac{N}{K} \right) - \frac{\delta N p}{A^2 + N^2} \right) + N \left( -\frac{p}{K} - \frac{\delta p}{\delta N} \frac{\partial}{\partial N} \left( \frac{N}{A^2 + N^2} \right) \right) \\ &= \left( p \left( 1 - \frac{N}{K} \right) - \frac{\delta N p}{A^2 + N^2} \right) + N \left( -\frac{p}{K} - \frac{\delta p}{A^2 + N^2} + \frac{2\delta N p^2}{(A^2 + N^2)^2} \right) \end{aligned}$$

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial p} = -\frac{\delta N^2}{A^2 + N^2}$$

$$\frac{\partial g}{\partial p} = \frac{\sigma N^2}{A^2 + N^2} - p$$

$$\frac{\partial g}{\partial N} = p \cdot \sigma \frac{\partial}{\partial N} \left( \frac{N^2}{A^2 + N^2} \right) = \sigma p \frac{\partial}{\partial N} \left( 1 - \frac{A^2}{A^2 + N^2} \right) = \sigma p \frac{A^2 N}{(A^2 + N^2)^2}$$

$$\frac{\partial g}{\partial N} = \frac{\sigma N^2}{A^2 + N^2} - p$$

At (0,0)

$$\text{Matrix } M_{(0,0)} = \begin{pmatrix} p & 0 \\ 0 & -p \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow \lambda_1 = p > 0, \lambda_2 = -p < 0$$

Opposite signs  $\Rightarrow$  saddle point

$$\Rightarrow M_{(K,0)} = \begin{pmatrix} -p & -\frac{\delta K^2}{A^2 + K^2} \\ 0 & \frac{\sigma K^2}{A^2 + K^2} - p \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\text{Eigenvalues are } -p < 0 \text{ and } \frac{\sigma K^2}{A^2 + K^2} - p < 0$$

$\Rightarrow$   $A^2 p < K^2$   $A^2 N < \sigma K^2 - p K^2 \Rightarrow (A^2 + K^2) N < \sigma K^2$

If this holds  $\exists$  interior steady state.

$$\frac{\sigma K^2}{A^2 + K^2} - p > 0 \text{ if } A\sqrt{\frac{N}{\delta N}} < K \text{ ie if } (N^*, p^*) \text{ exists - saddle}$$

$$\text{Otherwise } \frac{\sigma K^2}{A^2 + K^2} < p \Rightarrow \text{stable node.}$$

$$\text{At } (N^*, p^*) \quad M_{(N^*, p^*)} = \begin{pmatrix} N^* \left( -\frac{p}{K} - \frac{\delta p^*}{A^2 + N^{*2}} + \frac{2\sigma N^{*2} p^*}{(A^2 + N^{*2})^2} \right) & \frac{-\delta N^{*2}}{A^2 + N^{*2}} \\ \frac{2\sigma A^2 N^{*2} p^*}{(A^2 + N^{*2})^2} & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\det M(N^*, P^*) = \frac{2\delta \alpha A^2 N^{*3} P^*}{(A^2 + N^{*2})^3} > 0$$

$$\text{trace } M(N^*, P^*) = N^* \left( -\frac{\rho}{K} - \frac{8P^*}{A^2 + N^{*2}} + \frac{2\delta N^{*2} P^*}{(A^2 + N^{*2})^2} \right)$$

$$f = \rho N \left( 1 - \frac{N}{K} \right) - \frac{8N^2 P}{A^2 + N^2} \quad g = \rho \left( \frac{\delta N^2}{A^2 + N^2} - N \right)$$

$$\text{Where } N = N^*, P = P^* \text{ from } f = 0 \quad \rho \left( 1 - \frac{N^*}{K} \right) = \frac{8N^* P}{A^2 + N^2}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Hence using trace } M(N^*, P^*) &= -\frac{\rho N^*}{K} - \rho \left( 1 - \frac{N^*}{K} \right) + 2 \left( \frac{\delta N^* P^*}{A^2 + N^{*2}} \right) \left( \frac{N^{*2}}{A^2 + N^{*2}} \right) \\ &= \rho + 2\rho \left( 1 - \frac{N^*}{K} \right) \left( \frac{N}{\rho} \right) = \rho \left[ -1 + \frac{2\rho}{\rho} - \frac{2N^* \rho}{K} \right] \end{aligned}$$

$$[\delta N^{*2} = \rho(A^2 + N^{*2}) \Rightarrow N^{*2}/(A^2 + N^{*2}) = N/\rho \text{ from } g = 0]$$

$$\text{Trace } M(N^*, P^*) \quad \lambda_1 + \lambda_2 = \rho \left( -1 + \frac{2\rho}{\rho} - \frac{2\rho A}{\rho K} \sqrt{\frac{N}{\rho - N}} \right)$$

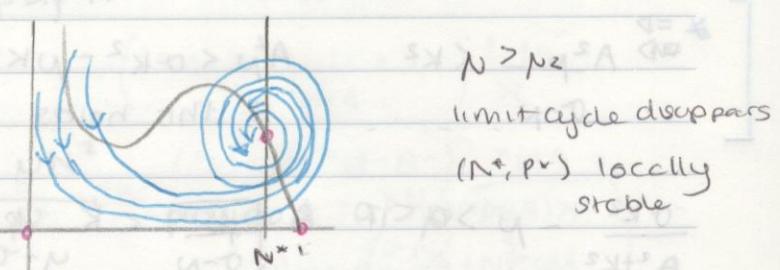
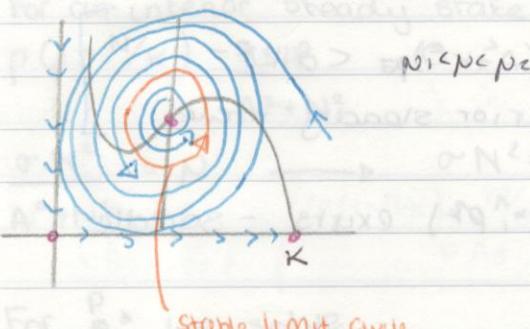
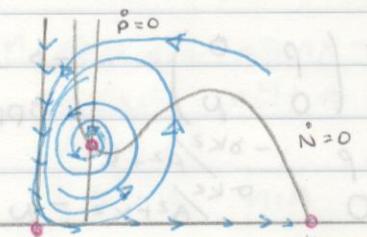
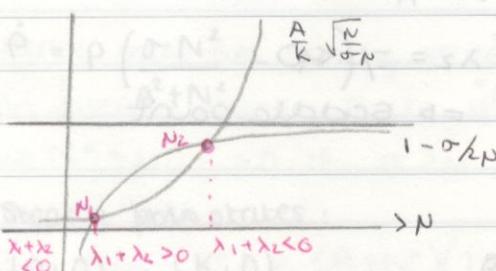
and we already know  $\lambda_1, \lambda_2 > 0$

If  $\frac{2\rho}{\rho} < 1$  then trace  $M(N^*, P^*) = \lambda_1 + \lambda_2 < 0 \Rightarrow$  always stable.

In this case  $\lambda_1 + \lambda_2$  can change sign from being -ve to +ve as  $\rho$  changes

start with  $\rho$  such that  $\lambda_1 + \lambda_2 < 0$  and increase  $\rho$

Consider the plot  $-\frac{\rho}{K} \rho + 1$  against  $A/K \sqrt{N/\rho - N}$



For  $P^* = P^* \left( 1 - \frac{N^*}{K} \right) (A^2 + N^*) > 0$  if  $N^* < K$

$$\begin{aligned} P^* &= P^* \left( 1 - \frac{N^*}{K} \right) (A^2 + N^*) > 0 \text{ if } N^* < K \\ \text{and } K < A^2 \text{ we need } \delta(A^2 \rho^2) < K^2 A^2 (0.3 \rho) \\ &\Rightarrow 0.109 A^2 \rho^2 < K^2 A^2 (0.3 \rho) \\ &\Rightarrow (\rho - K)^2 < 0.3 K^2 A^2 \end{aligned}$$

### Definition:

A population has discrete (non-overlapping) generations if the remaining expected lifespan of a sexually mature individual  $\leq 1$  generation.

$$N_{k+1} = f(N_k)$$

$k$  integer

$N$  is not an integer.

### Example: Malthus.

$$N_{k+1} = \lambda N_k, \quad N_0 \text{ given}, \quad \lambda \text{ const } \geq 0$$

$$N_k = N_0 \lambda^k$$

$|N_k| \rightarrow \infty$  if  $\lambda > 1$

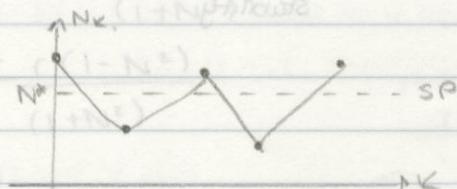
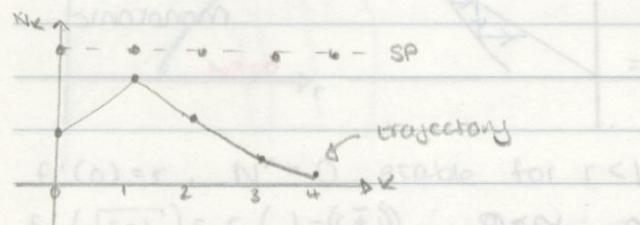
$\{N_k\} \rightarrow 0$  if  $0 < \lambda < 1$ .

### General $f(N)$

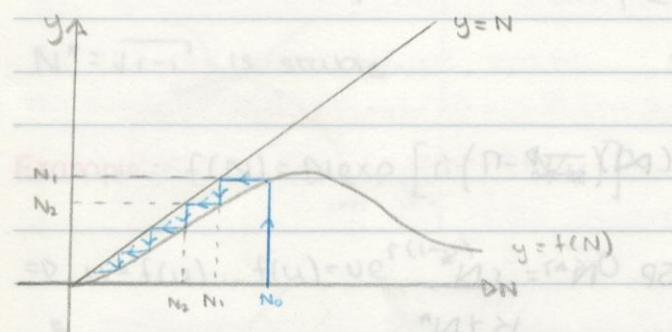
Bifurcation diagram is graph of  $N^*(r)$

### Qualitative analysis

Stationary points,  $N_k = N^*$  are  $N^* = f(N^*)$  ( $N_{k+1} = f(N_k)$ )



### Cobweb map for $N_{k+1} = f(N)$



2 lines  $y = f(N), y = N$

Start from  $N_0 = N_1 = f(N_0)$

### Local Stability of SP.

$$N^* = f(N^*) \text{ at SP}$$

Let  $N_0 = N^* + n_0$  & small

$$\text{Then } N_1 = N^* + n_1$$

$$N_{k+1} = f(N_k)$$

$$N^* + n_{k+1} = f(N^* + n_k)$$

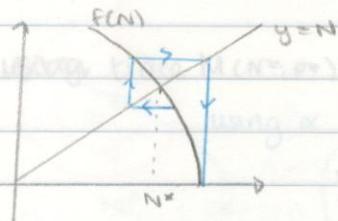
$$f(N^* + n_k) = f(N^*) + n_k f'(N^*) + O(n_k^2)$$

$$N^* + n_{k+1} = f(N^*) + n_k f'(N^*)$$

$$n_{k+1} = \lambda n_k \quad \lambda = f'(N^*)$$

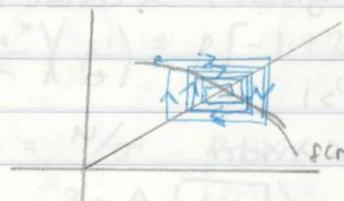
$$\Rightarrow n_k = n_0 \lambda^k$$

If  $\lambda < -1$ ,  $|n_k| \rightarrow \infty$  oscillates.



unstable

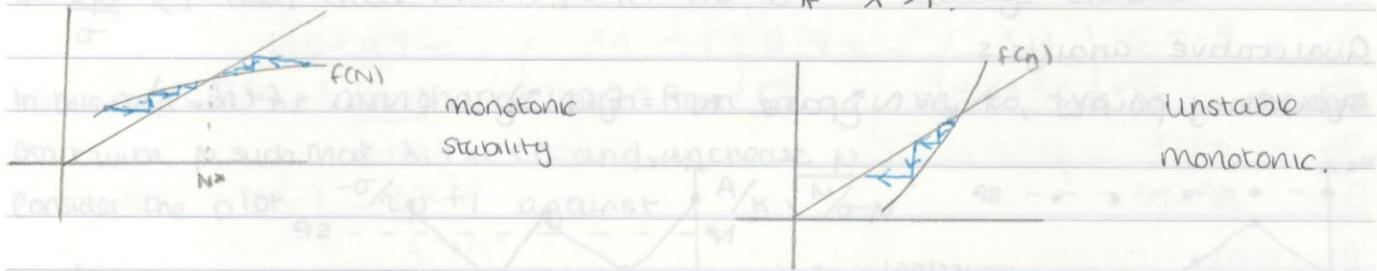
If  $-1 < \lambda < 0$ ,  $n_k \rightarrow 0$  oscillates.



stable  
stationary  
point.

If  $0 < \lambda < 1$ ,  $n_k \rightarrow 0$

If  $\lambda > 1$  then trace  $N_{k+1} = \lambda N_k + \dots$  If  $\lambda > 1$  always unstable.



**Example:**  $N_{k+1} = f(N_k) = \frac{r N_k}{K + N_k}$   $r > 0, K > 0$ .

$$f(N) = \frac{r N}{K + N}$$

$$f'(N) = \frac{r(K+N) - rN}{(K+N)^2} = \frac{rK}{(K+N)^2}$$

$$f'(N) > 0, f(0) = 0, f'(0) = r/K \quad f(\infty) \xrightarrow[N \rightarrow \infty]{} r$$



$$SP \quad N^* = \frac{r N^*}{K + N^*}$$

$$\Rightarrow N^* = 0 \text{ or } N^* = r - K$$

$$N^* \geq 0 \Rightarrow r \geq K$$

Stability:  $f'(0) = r/K < 1$  if  $r < K$  (stable)

$> 1$  if  $r > K$  (unstable).

$$f'(r-K) = \frac{rK}{r^2} = \frac{K}{r}$$

$\therefore \frac{K}{r} < 1$  when  $r > K \Rightarrow$  stable when it exists.

Teaching

Summary:  $0 < r < K - N^* = 0$  single stable stationary point

$r > K - N^* = 0$  unstable

$N^* = r - K$  stable.

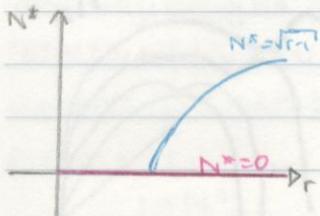
Example:  $N_{k+1} = \frac{rN_k}{1 + N_k^2}$

$$f(N) = \frac{rN}{1 + N^2}$$

Stationary point  $N^* = \frac{rN^*}{1 + N^*}$

$$N^* = 0 \text{ or } 1 + N^{*2} = r, N^* = \sqrt{r-1} \text{ exists if } r \geq 1.$$

Bifurcation diagram is graph of  $N^*(r)$



$$\begin{aligned} f'(N) &= \frac{r(1+N^2) - 2rN^2}{(1+N^2)^2} \\ &= \frac{r(1-N^2)}{(1+N^2)} \end{aligned}$$

$$f'(0) = r, N^* = 0 \text{ stable for } r < 1$$

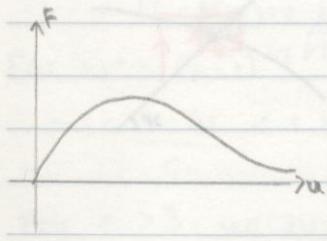
$$f'(\sqrt{r-1}) = \frac{r(1-(\sqrt{r-1})^2)}{(1+(\sqrt{r-1})^2)^2} = \frac{2-r}{(1+r)^2}$$

$$\text{For stability } -1 < \frac{2-r}{r} < 1$$

$$N^* = \sqrt{r-1} \text{ is stable}$$

Example:  $f(N) = N \exp[r(1-N/K)]$   $\alpha = N/K$ .

$$\Rightarrow u = f(u), f(u) = ue^{r(1-u)}, r > 0$$



Stationary points:  
 $u = ue^{r(1-u)}$

$$u^* = 0 \text{ or } u^* = 1$$

$$\begin{aligned} f'(u) &= e^{r(1-u)} + u(-r)e^{r(1-u)} \\ &= e^{r(1-u)}[1-ru]. \end{aligned}$$

Stability:  $f'(0) = e^r > 1$  unstable

$$f'(1) = 1 - r$$

$\Rightarrow u^* = 1$  is stable when

i)  $0 < r < 1$  - monotonic

ii)  $1 < r < 2$  - oscillatory

iii) Unstable (oscillates) when  $r > 2$ .

Example: with Harvesting

$$f(N) = \frac{bN}{1+N^2} - hN, \quad b > 1, \quad h > 0.$$

$$f'(N) = \frac{b(1-N^2)}{(1+N^2)^2} - h$$

$$N^* = 0, \quad f'(0) = b - h$$

Must have  $b \geq h$

Stable if  $|b-h| < 1$

Other stationary point  $N^* = f(N^*)$

$$\frac{b}{1+N^{*2}} - h = 1$$

$$1+N^{*2} = \frac{b}{1+h}$$

$$N^* = \sqrt{\frac{b-h-1}{h+1}}$$

$$f'(N^*) = \frac{b(1-N^{*2})}{(1+N^{*2})^2} - h = \frac{2(h+1)^2 - b(1+2h)}{b}$$

$N^* = 0$  stable if  $b-h < 1$ ,  $b < h+1$

If  $b > h+1$ ,  $N^* = 0$  is unstable.

$$N^* = \sqrt{\frac{b-(h+1)}{h+1}} \text{ appears at } b \geq h+1$$

Stability:  $f'(N^*) = -1$  at  $b = \frac{(h+1)^2}{h}$

and  $f'(N^*) < -1$  when  $b > \frac{(h+1)^2}{h}$

$$N^* = \sqrt{\frac{b-(h+1)}{h+1}} \text{ is stable when } h+1 < b < \frac{(h+1)^2}{h}$$

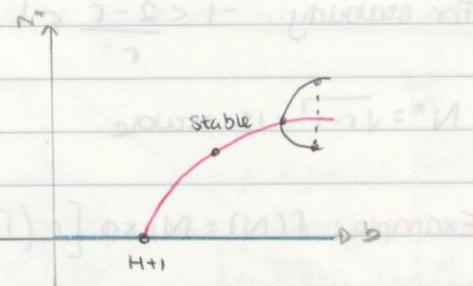
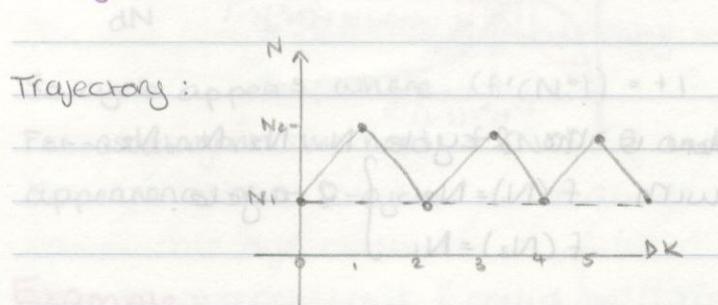


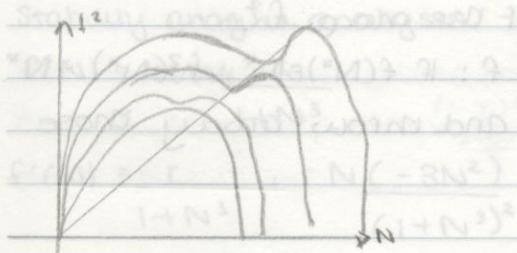
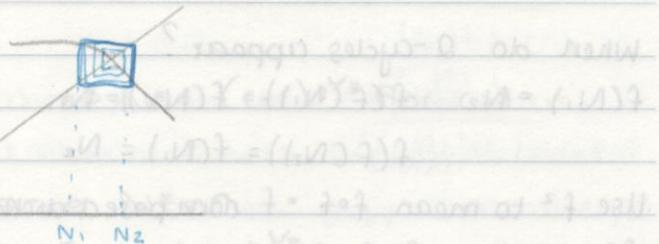
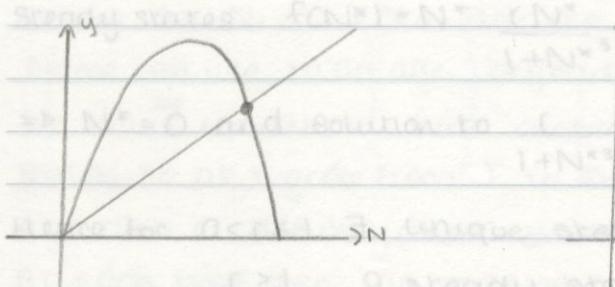
Diagram showing a two 1- $\frac{dN}{dK}$  plot. The first plot shows  $f(N) = \frac{dN}{dK}$  vs  $N$ .

2-cycle solution of  $N_{k+1} = f(N_k)$  with  $N_1 = f(N_2)$ ,  $N_2 = f(N_1)$



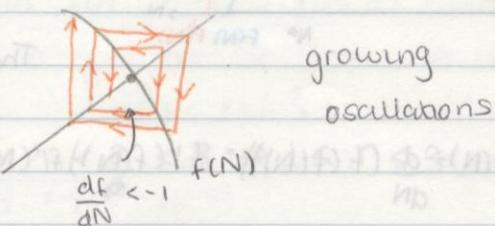
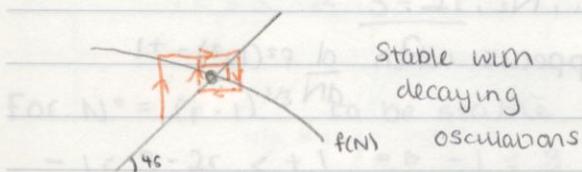
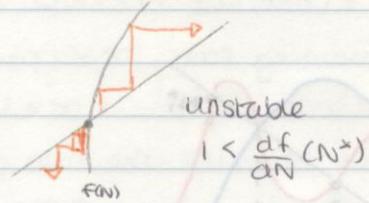
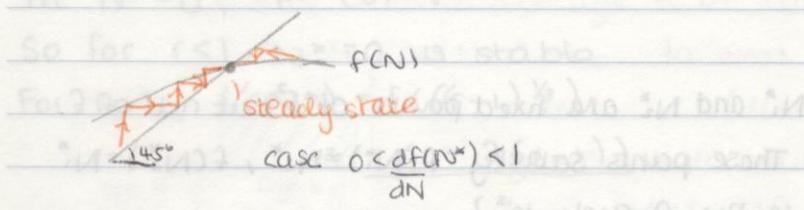
Consider composition  $f^2 = f(f(N))$

2-cycle is stationary point of  $f^2$  (which is not a stationary point of  $f(N)$ )



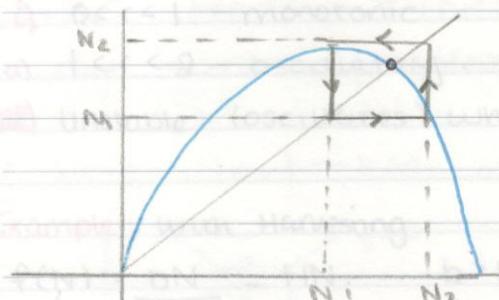
Steady states are fixed points of  $f$ : ie  $N^*$  such that  $f(N^*) = N^*$

A steady state is stable if  $\left| \frac{df(N^*)}{dN} \right| < 1$  and unstable if  $\left| \frac{df(N^*)}{dN} \right| > 1$



case  $|\frac{dF(N^*)}{dN}| = 1$  is more tricky. If  $\frac{dF(N^*)}{dN} = -1$  then a periodic orbit can occur.

Here we mean 2-cycle



Here is the 2-cycle  $N_1, N_2, N_1, N_2, \dots$   
with  $f(N_1) = N_2$  } 2-cycle.  
 $f(N_2) = N_1$

When do 2-cycles appear?

$$f(N_1) = N_2 \quad f(f(N_1)) = f(N_2) = N_1$$

$$f(f(N_2)) = f(N_1) = N_2$$

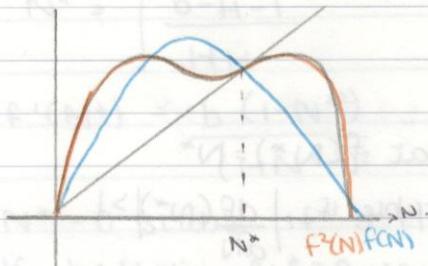
Use  $f^2$  to mean  $f \circ f = f$  composed with itself.

$$f^2(N_1) = N_1, \quad f^2(N_2) = N_2$$

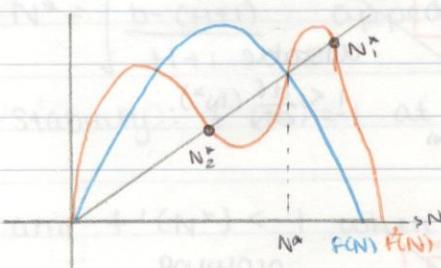
which says that  $N_1$  and  $N_2$  are fixed points of the map  $f^2$ .

The fixed points of  $f^2$  include the fixed points of  $f$ : if  $f(N^*) = N^*$ ,  $f^2(N^*) = N^*$ .

To find a 2-cycle we solve  $f^2(N) = N$  for  $N$  and throw away those solutions  $N^*$  such that  $f(N^*) = N^*$ .



Here  $f^2$  has a single fixed point  $N^*$ , which is a steady state:  $f(N^*) = N^*$  (and  $f^2(N^*) = N^*$ )



$N_1^*$  and  $N_2^*$  are fixed points of  $f^2$  but not of  $f$ .

These points satisfy  $f(N_1^*) = N_2^*$ ,  $f(N_2^*) = N_1^*$

i.e the 2-cycle is

$$N_1^*, N_2^*, N_1^*, N_2^*, \dots$$

The 2-cycle appears when  $\frac{d f^2(N^*)}{dN} = +1$

$$\frac{d f^2(N)}{dN} = \frac{d}{dN}(f(f(N))) = f'(f(N))f'(N)$$

$$\frac{d f^2(N^*)}{dN} = f'(f(N^*))f'(N^*)$$

But  $f(N^*) = N^*$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{d}{dN} f^2(N^*) = (f'(N^*))^2 = +1$$

So cycle appears where  $(f'(N^*)) = +1$

For oscillations we need  $f'(N^*) < 0$  and hence  $f'(N^*) = -1$  at the appearance of a 2-cycle.

**Example:**

$$N_{t+1} = \frac{rN_t}{1+N_t^3} = f(N_t) \quad r > 0$$

Steady states  $f(N^*) = N^* \frac{rN^*}{1+N^3} = N^*$

$$\Rightarrow N^* = 0 \text{ and solution to } \frac{r}{1+N^3} = 1 \Rightarrow N^* = (r-1)^{1/3} \text{ for } r > 1$$

Hence for  $0 < r \leq 1 \exists$  unique steady state  $N^* = 0$

At each time  $r > 1 \exists$  2 steady states  $N^* = 0, (r-1)^{1/3}$

Stability analysis.

$$f(N) = \frac{rN}{1+N^3}$$

$$f'(N) = \frac{r}{1+N^3} + rN \frac{(-3N^2)}{(1+N^3)^2}$$

$$= \frac{(1+N^3) - 3rN^3}{(1+N^3)^2}$$

$$= \frac{r(1-2N^3)}{(1+N^3)^2}$$

$$\text{At } N^* = 0, f'(0) = r$$

So for  $r < 1$   $N^* = 0$  is stable

$$\text{For } r > 1, f'(N^*) = f'((r-1)^{1/3})$$

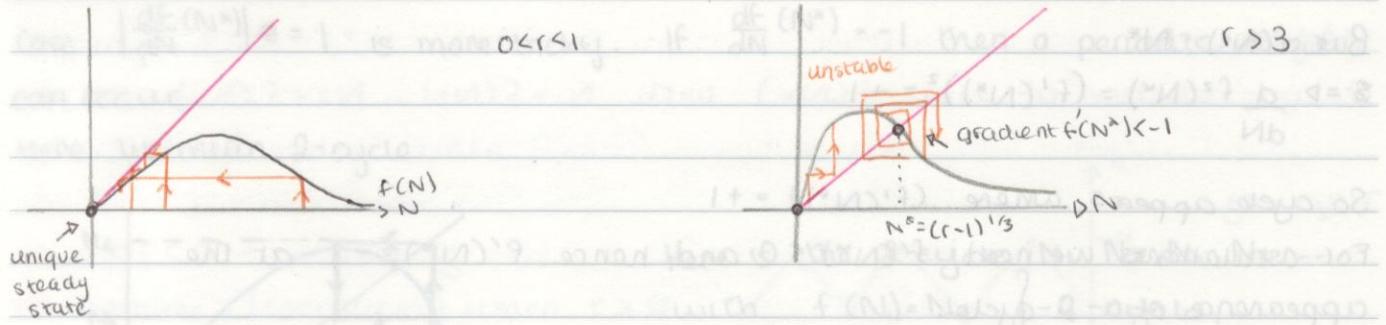
$$= \frac{r(1-2(r-1))}{r^2}$$

$$= \frac{3-2r}{r}$$

For  $N^* = (r-1)^{1/3}$  to be stable we need

$$-1 < \frac{3-2r}{r} < +1 \Rightarrow -1 < \frac{3}{r} - 2 < +1 \Rightarrow 1 < \frac{3}{r} < 3 \Rightarrow 1 < r < 3$$

For  $r > 3$ , we find  $f'((r-1)^{1/3}) < -1 \Rightarrow N^* \text{ Unstable.}$



What happens at  $r=3$ ?

See if there are any fixed points of  $f^2$

$$\text{Solve } f^2(N) = N$$

$$\frac{rf(N)}{1+f(N)^3} = N$$

$$\frac{r \left( \frac{rN}{1+N^3} \right)}{1 + \left( \frac{rN}{1+N^3} \right)^3} = N$$

One solution is  $N=0$  (remove it. (already steady state))

$$\frac{r^2 N}{1+N^3} = 1 \quad \text{Substitute } \alpha = 1+N^3 \Rightarrow \frac{r^2}{\alpha} = 1 \quad \frac{r^2(\alpha-1)}{\alpha^3} = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{r^2 \alpha^3}{\alpha^3 + r^3(\alpha-1)} = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow \alpha^3 - r^2 \alpha^2 + r^3(\alpha-1) = 0$$

Now recall  $N^* = (r-1)^{1/3}$  is a steady state

$$\Rightarrow N^{*3} + 1 = r \quad \text{i.e. } \alpha^* = r$$

$$r^3 - r^2 \alpha^2 + r^3(r-1) = 0$$

$$(x-r)(\alpha^2 + (r-r^2)x + r^2) = 0$$

so the remaining roots  $\alpha_{\pm}$  are roots of  $\alpha^2 + (r-r^2)x + r^2 = 0$

$$\Rightarrow N_{\pm} = (\alpha_{\pm} - 1)^{1/3} \quad (\alpha = 1+N^3)$$

The  $N_+$  and  $N_-$  are the two points of the 2-cycle:

$$f(N_+) = N_- \text{ and } f(N_-) = N_+$$

Still need to check that  $N_+, N_- > 0$ , i.e. that  $\alpha_+ > 1$  and  $\alpha_- > 1$

We use that  $\alpha_+, \alpha_-$  satisfy  $\alpha_{\pm}^2 + (r-r^2)\alpha_{\pm} + r^2 = 0$

$$(r^2 - r)\alpha_{\pm} = \alpha_{\pm}^2 + r^2 \geq r^2$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{if } r^2 > r \quad (r > 1) \quad \alpha_{\pm} > \frac{r^2}{r^2 - r} = \frac{1+r}{1-r} > 1 \quad \text{if } r > 1.$$

So if  $r > 3$  then  $N_{\pm}$  exists and  $N_+, N_-, N_+, N_-, \dots$

If  $f = \frac{\text{poly}}{\text{poly}}$  (i.e rational function) you can sometimes find roots of  $f^2$  explicitly and hence cycles.

## Simple Age Structured Models

So far all models have assumed identical individuals (in each species)

But in reality

- fecundity
- survival probability
- competition

etc vary with age.

The idea of this model is to divide the total population of one species into age classes

Here age is one unit (could be 1 year, 1 month, 1 season etc).

We suppose there are  $n$  age classes

$N_k$  = number of individuals in class  $k$ .

Classes  $N_1, N_2, \dots, N_n$  are the age classes

No one can live to an age beyond  $n$ .

We will <sup>use</sup>  $t$  to denote time chosen so that 1 time unit = 1 age unit.

So as  $t$  goes from  $T$  to  $T+1$ , all members move to next age class or die.

At each time step, an individual either gets 1 unit older or dies.

Need to bring offspring into the model.

At each time step offspring are produced and are put in the zero age class  $N_0$ .

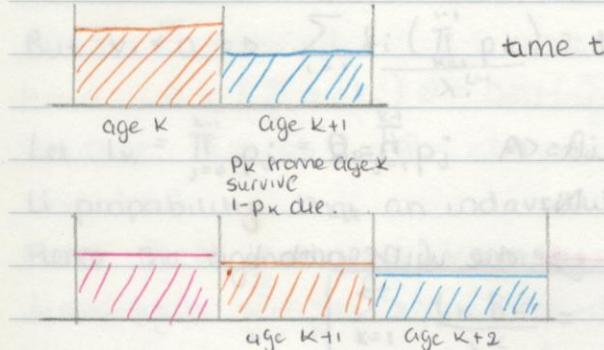
Suppose that:

$p_0$  = fraction of offspring that survive to age 1

$p_k$  = fraction surviving from age  $k$  to age  $k+1$

$b_k$  = expected # offspring produced by an individual of age  $k$ .

Let  $N_k(t)$  = # of individuals age  $k$  at time  $t$ .



$N_{k+1}(t+1)$  = fraction surviving from age  $k$  at  $t$

$$= p_k N_k(t)$$

for  $k=1, 2, \dots, n-1$

We need an equation for  $N_i(t+1)$  = number of newborns that survive to age 1  
 Number of offspring produced at time  $t$  is  $\sum_{k=1}^n b_k N_k(t)$

These offspring at  $t$  survive to  $t+1$  and age 1 with probability  $p_0$   
 $\Rightarrow N_i(t+1) = p_0 \left( \sum_{k=1}^n b_k N_k(t) \right)$ .

Let  $f_k = p_0 \cdot b_k \Rightarrow N_i(t+1) = \sum_{k=1}^n f_k N_k(t)$

$$\begin{pmatrix} N_1(t+1) \\ N_2(t+1) \\ \vdots \\ N_n(t+1) \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} f_1 & f_2 & \dots & f_n \\ p_1 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & p_2 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ \vdots & & \ddots & & p_{n-1} & 0 \\ 0 & \dots & 0 & \dots & p_n & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} N_1(t) \\ N_2(t) \\ \vdots \\ N_n(t) \end{pmatrix}$$

L is called the Leslie matrix

$$\underline{N}(t+1) = L \underline{N}(t) \quad A$$

From A start with  $\underline{N}(0)^T = (N_1(0), \dots, N_n(0))$

$$\underline{N}(1) = L \underline{N}(0)$$

$$\underline{N}(2) = L \underline{N}(1) = L^2 \underline{N}(0)$$

$$\underline{N}(t) = L^t \underline{N}(0) \quad t = 1, 2, \dots$$

Want to say something qualitative about  $\underline{N}(t)$ , so we need to know something about eigenvalues of  $L$ .

If  $L$  is diagonalisable, ie  $\exists P$  such that  $P L P^{-1} = D$  diagonal

$$= \begin{pmatrix} \lambda_1 & & 0 \\ & \ddots & \\ 0 & & \lambda_n \end{pmatrix}$$

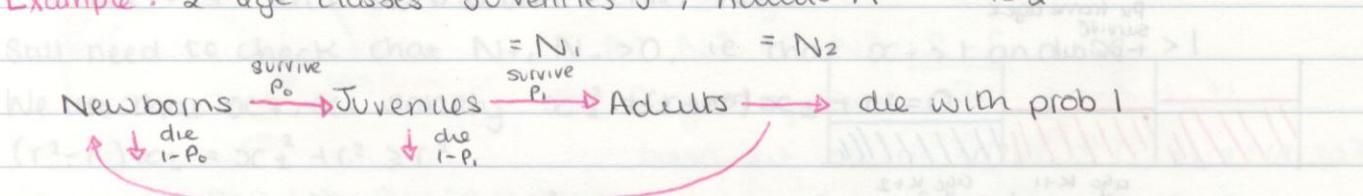
$$D^k = (P L P^{-1})^k = P L^k P^{-1}$$

$$\Rightarrow L^k = P^{-1} D^k P = P^{-1} \begin{pmatrix} \lambda_1^k & & 0 \\ & \ddots & \\ 0 & & \lambda_n^k \end{pmatrix} P$$

Hence if  $L$  is diagonalisable

$$\underline{N}(t) = P^{-1} \begin{pmatrix} \lambda_1^t & & 0 \\ & \ddots & \\ 0 & & \lambda_n^t \end{pmatrix} P \underline{N}(0)$$

Example: 2 age classes Juveniles J, Adults A  $n=2$



$$A(t+1) = p_1 J(t) \quad J(t+1) = p_0 (b_A A(t))$$

poly

and hence cycles

$$\begin{pmatrix} J(t+1) \\ A(t+1) \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & p_{\text{oba}} \\ p_i & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} J(t) \\ A(t) \end{pmatrix}$$

The Leslie matrix here is  $L = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & p_{\text{oba}} \\ p_i & 0 \end{pmatrix}$

Fund eigenvalues of L

An eigenvector  $\underline{v}^T = (v_1, \dots, v_n)$  of  $L$  with eigenvalue  $\lambda$ , is a non-zero solution of  $L\underline{v} = \lambda\underline{v}$

Finding eigenvalues of L

An eigenvalue eigenvector of  $\underline{v}^T = (v_1, \dots, v_n)$  of  $L$  with eigenvalue  $\lambda$ , is a non-zero solution of  $L\underline{v} = \lambda\underline{v}$

$$\begin{pmatrix} f_1 & f_2 & \dots & f_n \\ p_1 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & p_2 & \dots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 & p_{n-1} & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} v_1 \\ v_2 \\ \vdots \\ v_n \end{pmatrix} = \lambda \begin{pmatrix} v_1 \\ v_2 \\ \vdots \\ v_n \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\sum_{i=1}^n f_i v_i = \lambda v_1$$

$$p_1 v_1 = \lambda v_2$$

$$p_2 v_2 = \lambda v_3$$

$$p_{n-1} v_{n-1} = \lambda v_n$$

Suppose  $v_1 \neq 0$   $v_2 = \frac{p_1 v_1}{\lambda}, v_3 = \frac{p_2 v_2}{\lambda} = \frac{p_1 p_2 v_1}{\lambda^2}, \dots, v_{n-1} = \frac{p_{n-2} v_{n-2}}{\lambda^{n-2}} = \frac{p_1 p_2 \dots p_{n-1} v_1}{\lambda^{n-1}}$

Hence  $\sum_{i=1}^n f_i v_i = f_1 v_1 + \frac{f_2 p_1 v_1}{\lambda} + \frac{f_3 p_1 p_2 v_1}{\lambda^2} + \dots + \frac{f_n p_1 \dots p_{n-1} v_1}{\lambda^{n-1}} = \lambda v_1$

$$\Rightarrow \left( \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{f_i (\prod_{k=1}^{i-1} p_k)}{\lambda^{i-1}} - \lambda \right) v_1 = 0$$

$$\text{But } v_1 \neq 0 \Rightarrow \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{f_i (\prod_{k=1}^{i-1} p_k)}{\lambda^{i-1}} = 1$$

$$\text{Let } l_k = \prod_{j=0}^{k-1} p_j = p_0 \prod_{j=1}^{k-1} p_j \Rightarrow f_i \prod_{k=1}^{i-1} p_k = b_i p_0 \prod_{k=1}^{i-1} p_k = b_i l_i$$

Li probability that an individual survives from birth to age  $i$

Hence the eigenvalues  $\lambda$  satisfy

$$\boxed{\sum_{k=1}^n \frac{l_k b_k}{\lambda^k} = 1}$$

Euler-Lotka equation

(If  $v_1 = 0$ , move to  $v_2$  etc).

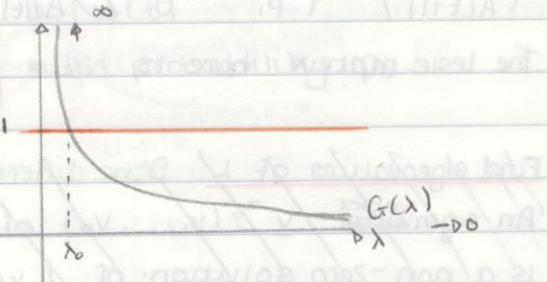
## Existence of eigenvalues

Look for a positive eigenvalue  $\lambda_0$

$$\text{Define } G(\lambda) = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{b_k \lambda^k}{\lambda^k}$$

Since  $b_k \lambda^k \geq 0$  and some  $b_k \lambda^k > 0$

the function  $G(\lambda)$  is strictly decreasing for  $\lambda > 0$



From Figure or IVT  $\exists$  solution  $\lambda_0 > 0$  such that  $G(\lambda_0) = 1$  and is unique since  $G(\lambda)$  strictly decreasing.

Hence there can only be one positive real eigenvalue of  $L$ .

All other eigenvalues must be  $< 0$  or complex ( $\lambda = 0$  is obviously not an eigenvalue)

## Periodicity of $L$ .

Recall that for min integers

Definition:

A Leslie matrix is aperiodic if  $\text{GCD}\{\{k \mid b_k > 0\}\} = 1$  (or  $L$  is periodic)

$$L = \begin{pmatrix} p_0 b_1 & p_0 b_2 & p_0 b_3 & \dots & p_0 b_n \\ p_1 & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots \\ \vdots & \ddots & \ddots & \ddots & \ddots \\ \vdots & \ddots & \ddots & \ddots & \ddots \\ \vdots & \ddots & \ddots & \ddots & \ddots \end{pmatrix}$$

If  $b_2 > 0, b_n > 0$   
 $\{1, n\} \subseteq \{k \mid b_k > 0\}$ .

eg.

$$L = \begin{pmatrix} p_0 & 0.3p_0 & 2p_0 & 1.2p_0 \\ p_1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & p_2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & p_3 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad \{k \mid b_k > 0\} = \{1, 2, 3, 4\}$$

$$\text{GCD}\{1, 2, 3, 4\} = 1 \Rightarrow L \text{ is aperiodic.}$$

$$L = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0.9p_0 & 0 & 7p_0 \\ p_1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & p_2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & p_3 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad \{k \mid b_k > 0\} = \{2, 4\}$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{GCD}\{2, 4\} = 2 \Rightarrow \text{periodic}$$

## Theorem:

If the Leslie matrix  $L$  is aperiodic and  $\lambda_0$  is the unique positive eigenvalue of  $L$  and  $\lambda$  is any other (real or complex) eigenvalues of  $L$  then

$$\lambda_0 > |\lambda|$$

Proof:  $\lambda$  is real  $\Rightarrow \lambda < 0 \Rightarrow \lambda = -p, p > 0$

$$G(\lambda) = \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{b_k \lambda^k}{\lambda^k}$$

$$G(\lambda) = G(-p) = \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{b_k (-p)^k}{(-p)^k}$$

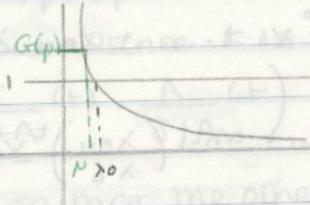
$$= \sum_{k \text{ even}} \frac{b_k (-p)^k}{p^k} - \sum_{k \text{ odd}} \frac{b_k (-p)^k}{p^k}$$

Suppose  $b_k = 0$  for all odd  $k \Rightarrow GCD \geq 2$

$\Rightarrow$  at least one  $b_k > 0$  for  $k$  odd

$$\text{Hence } G(\lambda) = G(-p) < \sum_{k \text{ even}} \frac{b_k (-p)^k}{p^k} < \sum_k \frac{b_k (-p)^k}{p^k} = G(p)$$

$$\Rightarrow G(p) > 1$$



Since  $G$  is decreasing

$$p < \lambda_0$$

$$\Rightarrow |\lambda| < \lambda_0$$

(Case  $\lambda \in \mathbb{C}$ . Let  $\lambda = Re^{i\theta}$ )

Recall Euler-Lotka equation for the eigenvalues is  $G(\lambda) = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{b_k \lambda^k}{\lambda^k} = 1$

(can use  $\infty$  in sum since  $b_k \lambda^k = 0$  for  $k \geq \text{age limit}$ ).

$$G(Re^{i\theta}) = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{b_k R^k e^{ik\theta}}{R^k} = 1$$

Equate real and imaginary parts

$$\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{b_k R^k}{R^k} \cos k\theta = 1$$

$$\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{b_k R^k}{R^k} \sin k\theta = 0$$

Now suppose that for each  $k$  such that  $b_k > 0$ , we have  $\cos k\theta = 1$

$\Rightarrow k_i \theta = 2\pi n_i \quad \forall n_i$  where  $k_i$  enumerates the  $k$  st  $\cos k\theta = 1$

But since  $L$  is aperiodic, the GCD of the  $k_i$ 's is 1, so  $\exists$  integers  $a_i$  st  $\sum_i a_i k_i = 1$

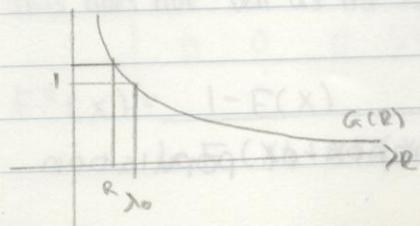
Hence  $\theta = (\sum_i a_i k_i) \theta = 2\pi (\sum_i a_i n_i) = \text{integer multiple of } 2\pi$

So that  $\lambda = Re^{i\theta} \in \mathbb{R} \Rightarrow$  contradiction since we have done  $\lambda > 0$  and  $\lambda < 0$

Hence  $\exists$  at least one  $k_i$  such that  $\cos k_i \theta < 1$

$$1 = G(\lambda) = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{R^k} b_k \lambda^k \cos k\theta < \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{R^k} b_k \lambda^k = G(R)$$

$$\text{So } G(R) > 1 \Rightarrow R < \lambda_0 \Rightarrow |\lambda| < \lambda_0$$



Suppose that  $L$  is aperiodic. Suppose  $\underline{N}(0)^T = (N_1(0), \dots, N_n(0))$  is given.  
 Then  $\underline{N}(1) = L\underline{N}(0) \dots \dots \underline{N}(t) = L^t \underline{N}(0)$

Suppose that the eigenvalues of  $L$  are complete

i.e. form a basis for  $\mathbb{R}^n$  (e.g. if eigenvalues are distinct).  $(y-1)^2 = (1)^2$

Then  $\underline{N}(0) = \sum_{j=0}^{n-1} \alpha_j \underline{v}_j$  where  $\underline{v}_0$  will be an eigenvector associated with  $\lambda_0 > 0$

The  $\alpha_j$  are unique for each  $\underline{N}(0)$ .

$$\underline{N}(1) = L\underline{N}(0) = L\left(\sum_{j=0}^{n-1} \alpha_j \underline{v}_j\right) = \sum_{j=0}^{n-1} \alpha_j L \underline{v}_j = \sum_{j=0}^{n-1} \alpha_j \lambda_j \underline{v}_j$$

$$\text{By induction } \underline{N}(t) = \sum_{j=0}^{n-1} \alpha_j \lambda_j^t \underline{v}_j \\ = \alpha_0 \lambda_0^t \underline{v}_0 + \alpha_1 \lambda_1^t \underline{v}_1 + \dots + \alpha_{n-1} \lambda_{n-1}^t \underline{v}_{n-1}$$

Assume  $\alpha_0 \neq 0$

$$\underline{N}(t) = \lambda_0^t \left( \alpha_0 \underline{v}_0 + \alpha_1 \left( \frac{\lambda_1}{\lambda_0} \right)^t \underline{v}_1 + \dots + \alpha_{n-1} \left( \frac{\lambda_{n-1}}{\lambda_0} \right)^t \underline{v}_{n-1} \right)$$

By aperiodicity  $|\lambda_j| < \lambda_0$  for  $j = 1, \dots, n-1$

$$\text{So } \left| \frac{\lambda_j}{\lambda_0} \right|^t \rightarrow 0 \text{ as } t \rightarrow \infty$$

Hence as  $t \rightarrow \infty$  the term  $\lambda_0^t \alpha_0 \underline{v}_0$  will dominate the terms  $\underline{N}(t)$

For large  $t$ ,  $\underline{N}(t) \sim \lambda_0^t \alpha_0 \underline{v}_0$

$$\underline{N}(t+1) \sim \lambda_0^{t+1} \alpha_0 \underline{v}_0 = \lambda_0^t \underline{N}(t)$$

So for  $t$  large each age class grows by a factor of  $\lambda_0$ .

$\lambda_0$  is sometimes called the fitness of the population

If  $\lambda_0 > 1$  then  $N_k(t)$  grows since  $\lambda_0^t$  grows.

$$\lambda_0 < 1 \quad N_k(t) \rightarrow 0$$

To capture the age structure we look at the fraction  $X_k(t)$  of the population in class  $k$  at time  $t$ :

$$X_k(t) = \frac{N_k(t)}{\sum_{r=1}^n N_r(t)}$$

Since  $\underline{N}(t) \sim \lambda_0^t \alpha_0 \underline{v}_0$   $\underline{v}_0^T = (v_{01}, v_{02}, \dots, v_{0n})$

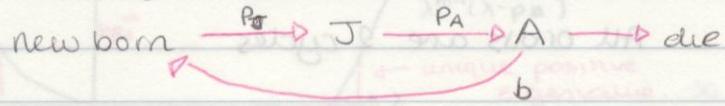
$$X_k(t) \sim \frac{\lambda_0^t \alpha_0 v_{0k}}{\lambda_0^t \alpha_0 \sum_{r=1}^n v_{0r}} = \frac{v_{0k}}{\sum_{r=1}^n v_{0r}}$$

This tells us from the eigenvector  $\underline{v}_0$  what is the fraction of population

in age class K for t large.

Example: A = adults, J = juveniles.

Same model as before



$$J(t+1) = p_J b A(t) \Rightarrow L = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & p_J b \\ p_A & 0 \end{pmatrix} \text{ is not aperiodic}$$

$$A(t+1) = p_A J(t)$$

$$\text{Eigenvalues: } \begin{vmatrix} -\lambda & p_J b \\ p_A & -\lambda \end{vmatrix} = \lambda^2 - p_J b p_A = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow L \text{ has eigenvalues } \pm \sqrt{p_J b p_A} = \lambda_1, \lambda_2$$

(Note  $|\lambda_1| = |\lambda_2|$  is allowed since  $L$  is not aperiodic)

$$\text{We have } X(t) = \left( \frac{J(t)}{J+A}, \frac{A(t)}{J+A} \right)$$

$$\text{Let } X(t) = \frac{J(t)}{J(t)+A(t)} \text{ so that the other fraction is just } 1-X(t)$$

$$X(t+1) = \frac{J(t+1)}{J(t+1)+A(t+1)}$$

$$J(t+1)+A(t+1) = p_J b + p_A J(t)$$

$$= (A(t) + J(t)) [p_J b (1-X(t)) + p_A X(t)]$$

$$\text{Hence } X(t+1) = \frac{p_J b A(t)}{(A(t) + J(t)) [p_J b (1-X(t)) + p_A X(t)]}$$

$$X(t+1) = \frac{p_J b (1-X(t))}{p_J b (1-X(t)) + p_A X(t)} = F(X(t))$$

$$\text{Find steady states } F(X) = X$$

$$X = \frac{p_J b (1-X)}{p_J b (1-X) + p_A X} = \frac{1-X}{1+\alpha X} \text{ where } \alpha = \frac{p_A}{p_J b}$$

$$\text{Solutions are } X_{\pm} = \frac{1}{1 \pm \sqrt{\alpha}} \text{ of which } \frac{1}{1+\sqrt{\alpha}} \text{ is only root in } [0, 1] \quad (X \text{ is a fraction})$$

$$\text{Stability: } F'(X) = \frac{-\alpha}{[1-X+\alpha X]^2} < 0$$

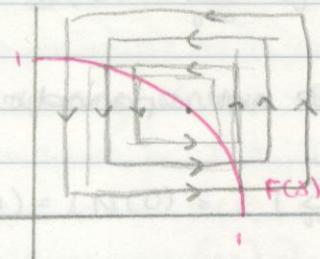
$$F'(X_{+}) = \frac{-\alpha}{(1-(\alpha-1)/(\sqrt{\alpha}+1))^2} = \frac{-\alpha}{(1+(\sqrt{\alpha}-1))^2} = -1$$

This does not tell us the local stability of  $\frac{1}{1+\sqrt{\alpha}}$

$$F^2(X) = \frac{1-F(X)}{1-F(X)+\alpha F(X)}$$

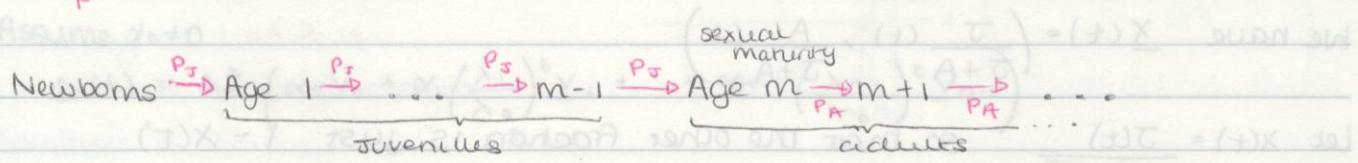
$$= 1 - \frac{1-x}{1-x+\alpha x} = \frac{1-x+\alpha x-1+\lambda}{1-x+\alpha x+(\alpha-1)(1-x)} = \frac{\alpha x}{\alpha(1-x)+\alpha x} = x$$

i.e.  $F^2(x) = x$ .



All orbits are 2 cycles

Example:



Survival probability is

$$p_k = \begin{cases} p_J & k < m \\ p_A & k \geq m \end{cases}$$

Birth rates

$$b_k = \begin{cases} 0 & k < m \\ b & k \geq m \end{cases}$$

We impose no age limit.

Euler-Lotka equation

$$\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{\lambda^k} b_k \lambda^k = 1$$

$$\text{We have } b_k = \begin{cases} p_J^k & k < m \\ p_J^m p_A^{k-m} & k \geq m \end{cases}$$

$$\Rightarrow \sum_{k=m}^{\infty} \frac{1}{\lambda^k} b(p_J^m p_A^{k-m}) = 1$$

$$1 = b \left(\frac{p_J}{p_A}\right)^m \sum_{k=m}^{\infty} \frac{1}{\lambda^k} p_A^k = b \left(\frac{p_J}{p_A}\right)^m \cdot \left(\frac{p_A}{\lambda}\right)^m \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \left(\frac{p_A}{\lambda}\right)^k$$

Provided  $\lambda > p_A$  we have:

$$1 = b \left(\frac{p_J}{p_A}\right)^m \left(\frac{p_A}{\lambda}\right)^m \frac{1}{1 - \frac{p_A}{\lambda}}$$

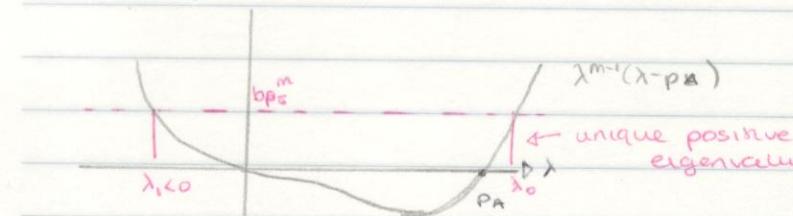
$$\lambda^m - p_A \lambda^{m-1} = b p_J^m$$

$$(x)^{m-1} = (x)^{m-1}$$

This tells us from the eigenvector  $v_0$  what is the  $b(x^{m-1} + x^m)$  solution.

What are the eigenvalues?

$$\text{Plot } \lambda^m - p_A \lambda^{m-1} - \lambda^{m-1}(\lambda_B - p_A)$$



$$z_{\lambda_1} = \lambda_1 \text{ and zero}$$

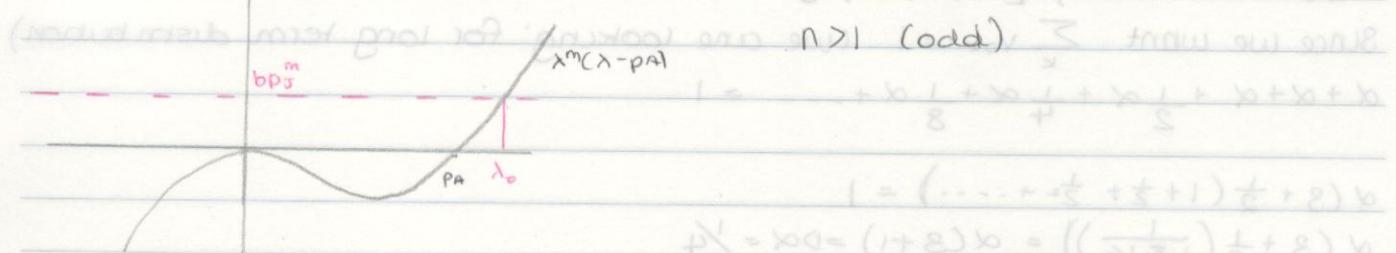
$$z_{\lambda_2} = \lambda_2$$

$$m > 2 \text{ (integer)}$$

$$z_{\lambda_3} = \lambda_3$$

$$\dots z_{\lambda_{m-1}} = \lambda_{m-1}, z_{\lambda_m} = \lambda_m$$

$$(z_{\lambda_1}, z_{\lambda_2}, z_{\lambda_3}, \dots, z_{\lambda_{m-1}}, z_{\lambda_m}) = \lambda V$$



Notice that  $\lambda_0 > p_A$  as was required for convergence of series.

$$\text{Take } m=3 \text{ and } p_A = \frac{1}{4}, b = \frac{1}{2} = p_B$$

$$\text{EL becomes } \lambda^3 - \frac{1}{4}\lambda^2 = \frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{1}{8} = \frac{1}{16}$$

By inspection  $\lambda = \frac{1}{2}$  is a root and also  $\lambda_{\pm} = -\frac{1}{8} \pm i\frac{\sqrt{7}}{8}$   
(check  $|\lambda_{\pm}| < \frac{1}{2} = \lambda_0$ )

Suppose  $\underline{v}_0^T = (v_1^1, v_2^1, \dots, v_m^1)$  is an eigenvector associated with  $\lambda_0 (= \frac{1}{2})$

$$L = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & \frac{1}{4} & \frac{1}{4} & \frac{1}{4} & \dots \\ \frac{1}{2} & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \dots \\ 0 & \frac{1}{2} & 0 & 0 & 0 & \dots \\ 0 & 0 & \frac{1}{4} & 0 & 0 & \dots \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \frac{1}{4} & 0 & \dots \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots \end{pmatrix} \quad \begin{array}{l} \text{S. becoming of } \underline{v}_0 \text{ with} \\ \text{substitution in row } 2, 3, 4, 5 \text{ gives} \\ \text{So } \underline{v}_0 \text{ satisfies } \\ L \underline{v}_0 = \lambda_0 \underline{v}_0 \text{ and} \end{array}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & \frac{1}{4} & \frac{1}{4} & \dots & \left| \begin{pmatrix} v_1^1 \\ v_2^1 \\ v_3^1 \\ v_4^1 \\ v_5^1 \\ \vdots \end{pmatrix} \right. \\ \frac{1}{2} & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \dots & \left| \begin{pmatrix} v_1^1 \\ v_2^1 \\ v_3^1 \\ v_4^1 \\ v_5^1 \\ \vdots \end{pmatrix} \right. \\ 0 & \frac{1}{2} & 0 & 0 & 0 & \dots & \left| \begin{pmatrix} v_1^2 \\ v_2^2 \\ v_3^2 \\ v_4^2 \\ v_5^2 \\ \vdots \end{pmatrix} \right. \\ 0 & 0 & \frac{1}{4} & 0 & 0 & \dots & \left| \begin{pmatrix} v_1^3 \\ v_2^3 \\ v_3^3 \\ v_4^3 \\ v_5^3 \\ \vdots \end{pmatrix} \right. \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \frac{1}{4} & 0 & \dots & \left| \begin{pmatrix} v_1^4 \\ v_2^4 \\ v_3^4 \\ v_4^4 \\ v_5^4 \\ \vdots \end{pmatrix} \right. \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \left| \begin{pmatrix} v_1^5 \\ v_2^5 \\ v_3^5 \\ v_4^5 \\ v_5^5 \\ \vdots \end{pmatrix} \right. \end{pmatrix} = \frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} v_1^1 \\ v_2^1 \\ v_3^1 \\ v_4^1 \\ v_5^1 \\ \vdots \end{pmatrix}$$

Ignore first row  $\frac{1}{2} v^1 = \frac{1}{2} v^2$

$$\frac{1}{2} v^2 = \frac{1}{2} v^3$$

$$\frac{1}{2} v^3 = \frac{1}{2} v^4$$

$$\frac{1}{4} v^4 = \frac{1}{2} v^5$$

Choose  $v^1 = \alpha \Rightarrow v^1 = v^2 = v^3 = \alpha$

$$v^4 = \frac{1}{2} \alpha, v^5 = \frac{1}{2} \alpha, \dots$$

$$\Rightarrow v_0 = (\alpha, \alpha, \alpha, \frac{1}{2} \alpha, \frac{1}{4} \alpha, \frac{1}{8} \alpha, \dots)$$

Since we want  $\sum_k v_{0k} = 1$  (we are looking for long term distribution)

$$\alpha + \alpha + \alpha + \frac{1}{2} \alpha + \frac{1}{4} \alpha + \frac{1}{8} \alpha + \dots = 1$$

$$\alpha (3 + \frac{1}{2} (1 + \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{4} + \dots)) = 1$$

$$\alpha (3 + \frac{1}{2} (\frac{1}{1 - \frac{1}{2}})) = \alpha (3 + 1) = 4\alpha = \frac{1}{4}$$

## Life History Strategies

$\lambda_0$  measures the growth of the population from one age step to the next as time gets large, i.e. measures # offspring produced each age unit. Because higher  $\lambda_0$  means that an individual will be more likely to propagate its genes onwards,  $\lambda_0$  is traditionally called fitness. With the action of natural selection, over evolutionary timescales we expect the population to ~~grow~~ develop maximum fitness.

### How is $\lambda_0$ maximised?

Because energy reserves for an individual are ~~maximised~~ finite they cannot simultaneously maximise fecundity and survival probabilities. There has to be a trade off.

Suppose that fitness  $\lambda_0$  depends upon a number of phenotypic parameters (i.e. observable characteristics that follow from genes)

e.g. size, colour, maximum speed, fecundity etc.

Let these parameters be  $\underline{\sigma}^T = (\sigma_1, \dots, \sigma_s)$

So now  $\lambda_0 = \lambda_0(\underline{\sigma})$

For maximum fitness need  $\nabla \lambda_0(\underline{\sigma}^*) = 0$  (turning point)

matrix  $\left( \frac{\partial^2 \lambda_0}{\partial \sigma_i \partial \sigma_j} \right) = H$  is positive definite.