

Population Dynamics of Bacteria inside Humans

Battle of Bacteria, Antibiotics and Immune system

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- Bacteria lives inside us
- Some of them unwanted
- Antibiotics to get rid of them
- interactions lead to different equilibria

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Variable Definitions

A : Concentration of Antibiotics

S : Biomass of Non-Antibiotic-Resistant Bacteria

R : Biomass of Antibiotic-Resistant Bacteria

P : Immune Cell Population

N : $S + R$ total bacteria

Ψ and Φ : functions in $\mathcal{C}^1(\mathbb{R}_+)$

Model Equations

Modified Logistic Model

$$\dot{A}(t) = \Lambda - \mu A,$$

$$\dot{S}(t) = \eta_s \left(1 - \frac{S+R}{K} \right) S - \bar{\alpha} AS - \beta \frac{SR}{N} - \Gamma SP,$$

$$\dot{R}(t) = \eta_r \left(1 - \frac{S+R}{K} \right) R + \beta \frac{SR}{N} - \Gamma RP,$$

$$\dot{P}(t) = \Phi(N)P \left(1 - \frac{P}{P_{\max}} \right) - \Psi(N)P,$$

Parameter and Term Definitions

Λ : administration rate of Antibiotics

μ : absorption rate of Antibiotic

η_S and η_R : reproduction rate of S and R

K : carrying capacity (Limiting the reproduction)

Γ : transfer rate of resistant gene

P_{\max} : limit of proliferation of immune cells

Key Assumptions

- $\eta_S > \eta_R$ cost of resistance
- Resistance genes transfer $\beta \frac{SR}{N}$
- Immune response $\Gamma_{SP} \Gamma_{RP}$

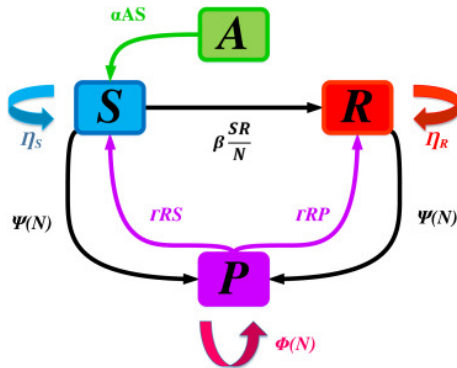


Fig. 1: Schematic Diagram [1]

Transformation

$$\begin{aligned} a &= \frac{A}{A/\mu} & s &= \frac{S}{K} & r &= \frac{R}{K} & p &= \frac{P}{P_{\max}} \\ \alpha &= \frac{\bar{\alpha}A}{\mu} & \gamma &= \Gamma P_{\max} & n &= s + r & \phi(n) &= \Phi(Kn) & \psi(n) &= \Psi(Kn) \end{aligned}$$

$$\dot{a}(t) = \mu(1 - a)$$

$$\dot{s}(t) = \eta_s(1 - n)s - \alpha as - \beta \frac{sr}{n} - \gamma sp$$

$$\dot{r}(t) = \eta_r(1 - n)r + \beta \frac{sr}{n} - \gamma rp$$

$$\dot{p}(t) = \phi(n)p(1 - p) - \psi(n)p$$

Boundedness

- $\mathbb{R}_+^4 = \{(a, s, r, p) \in \mathbb{R}^4 \mid a \geq 0, s \geq 0, r \geq 0, p \geq 0\}$
- Right hand side of our system $\in \mathcal{C}^1(\text{Int}(\mathbb{R}_+^4), \mathbb{R}_+^4)$
- Unique Solution exists $\in [0, T_{\max}]$
- $\mathcal{A} = \{(a, s, r, p) \in \text{Int}(\mathbb{R}_+^4), a \leq 1, s + r \leq 1, p \leq 1\}$
- lemma: \mathcal{A} is positively invariant with respect to 1
- hence mathematically and biologically well posed

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Analysing reveals 4 Equilibria - biologically meaningful

- clearance of infection
- infection under S
- infection under R
- infection under both

deriving Equilibria

- Equilibria \equiv Zero Change $\equiv \dot{\mathbf{X}} = \vec{0}$
- let $f(n) = 1 - \frac{\psi(n)}{\phi(n)}$ with $f(0) > 0$ and simplify
- we want $f \uparrow$ for small n and $f \downarrow$ for large n (How Immunity works)
- f either remains $+$ or after a threshold drops < 0
- we focus on 2nd scenario (remember n is bounded)

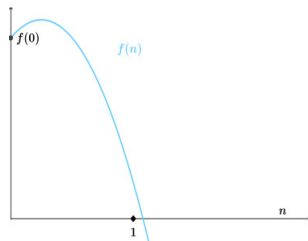


Fig. 2: Schematic Rep. of what f can be [1]

$$\mu(1 - a) = 0$$

$$a = 1$$

$$\eta_s(1 - n)s - \alpha as - \beta \frac{sr}{n} - \gamma sp = 0$$

\Rightarrow

$$s = 0 \quad \text{or} \quad \eta_s(1 - n) - \alpha - \beta \frac{r}{n} - \gamma p = 0$$

$$\eta_r(1 - n)r + \beta \frac{sr}{n} - \gamma rp = 0$$

$$r = 0 \quad \text{or} \quad \eta_r(1 - n) + \beta \frac{s}{n} - \gamma p = 0$$

$$\phi(n)p(f(n) - p) = 0$$

$$p = 0 \quad \text{or} \quad p = f(n)$$

Equilibria

7 Cases

- Case 1: $E_0(1, 0, 0, 0)$ $r = s = p = 0$
- Case 2: $E_1(1, 0, 0, f(0))$ $r = s = 0$, $p \neq 0$
- Case 3: $E_2(1, 0, 1, 0)$ $s = p = 0$, $r \neq 0$

Case 4

Case 4: $E_+ s = 0$, $r \neq 0$, $p \neq 0$

$$r = \lambda_+ \quad p = f(\lambda_+) \Rightarrow f(r) = \eta_r \frac{1-r}{\gamma}$$

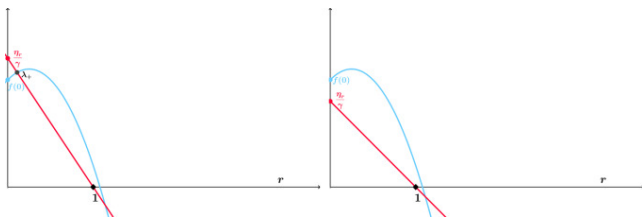


Fig. 3: f and λ_+ [1]

if $f(0) < \frac{\eta_r}{\gamma}$ exists Unique $0 < \lambda_+ < 1$

Case 5 an 6

- Case 5 $E_3(1, 1 - \frac{\alpha}{\eta_s}, 0, 0)$ $s \neq 0$, $r = 0$, $p = 0$
- Case 6 E_- $s \neq 0$, $r = 0$, $p \neq 0$

$$s = \lambda_- \quad , \quad p = f(\lambda_-) \Rightarrow f(s) = \frac{\eta_s - \alpha}{\gamma} - \frac{\eta_s}{\gamma} s$$

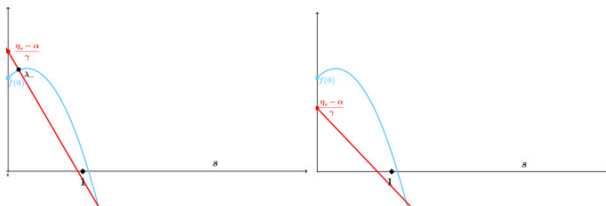


Fig. 4: f and λ_- [1]

Like Case 4 if $f(0) < \frac{\eta_s - \alpha}{\gamma}$ exists Unique $0 < \lambda_- < 1$

Case 7: E_*

$$s \neq 0, r \neq 0, p \neq 0$$

$$n_* = s + r = 1 - \frac{\alpha + \beta}{\eta_s - \eta_r}$$

$$n_* > 0 \text{ if } \alpha + \beta + \eta_r < \eta_s$$

$$p_* = f(n_*)$$

$$s_* = \frac{n_*}{\beta} \left(\gamma f(n_*) - \eta_r \frac{\alpha + \beta}{\eta_s - \eta_r} \right)$$

$$r_* = \frac{n_*}{\beta} \left(\eta_s \frac{\alpha + \beta}{\eta_s - \eta_r} - \alpha - \gamma f(n_*) \right)$$

$$p_*, s_*, r_* > 0 \quad \text{if} \quad \eta_r \frac{\alpha + \beta}{\eta_s - \eta_r} < \gamma f(n_*) < \frac{\alpha \eta_r + \beta \eta_s}{\eta_s - \eta_r}$$

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Linearinzation

- System is non linear,
- Linearinzation around fixed points \Rightarrow Jacobian Matrix
- Signs of the eigenvalues of the Jacobian matrix shall be determined

$$\begin{pmatrix} -\mu & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ -\alpha s & \eta_s(1-n) - \eta_s s - \alpha a - \beta \frac{r^2}{n^2} - \gamma p & -\eta_s s - \beta \frac{s^2}{n^2} & -\gamma s \\ 0 & -\eta_r r + \beta \frac{r^2}{n^2} & \eta_r(1-n) - \eta_r r + \beta \frac{s^2}{n^2} - \gamma p & -\gamma r \\ 0 & \phi(n)(f(n)-p) + \dot{f}(n)p\phi(n) & p\dot{\phi}(n)(f(n)-p) + \dot{f}(n)p\phi(n) & \phi(n)(f(n)-2p) \end{pmatrix}$$

- let $C_+ = \eta_s(1 - \lambda_+) - \alpha - \beta$, $C_- = \eta_r(1 - \lambda_-) + \beta$ and

$$C_* = -\frac{(\eta_s s_* + \eta_r r_*) \beta s_* r_* (\eta_s - \eta_r)}{f(n_*) \phi(n_*) (n_*)^2 (\eta_s s_* + \eta_r r_* + f(n_*) \phi(n_*))} - \frac{\eta_s s_* - \eta_r r_*}{\eta_*}.$$

will show up for finding stability criteria

Stability Table

Table 1: Conditions for the stability of equilibria.

Equilibrium	Biological existence	Stability
$E_0 (1, 0, 0, 0)$	Always exists	Always unstable
$E_1 (1, 0, 0, f(0))$	Always exists	$\alpha > \eta_s$ and $\gamma f(0) > \eta_r$
$E_2 (1, 0, 1, 0)$	Always exists	Always unstable
$E_3 \left(1, 1 - \frac{\alpha}{\eta_s}, 0, 0\right)$	$\eta_s > \alpha$	Always unstable
$E_+ (1, 0, \lambda_+, f(\lambda_+))$	$\eta_r > \gamma f(0)$	$\gamma f(\lambda_+) > C_+$ and $\gamma f(\lambda_+) > \eta_r$
$E_- (1, \lambda_-, 0, f(\lambda_-))$	$\eta_s - \alpha > \gamma f(0)$	$\gamma f(\lambda_-) > C_-$ and $\gamma f(\lambda_-) > \eta_s$
$E_* (1, s_*, r_*, f(n_*))$	$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \eta_r \frac{\alpha + \beta}{\eta_s - \eta_r} < \gamma f(n_*) < \frac{\eta_r \alpha + \eta_s \beta}{\eta_s - \eta_r} \\ \text{and} \\ \eta_s > \eta_r + \alpha + \beta \end{array} \right.$	$\gamma f(n_*) > C_*$

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Numerical Computation

- we have chosen the function $f(n) = -n^2 + n + \frac{3}{4}$ the aligns with our hypothesis

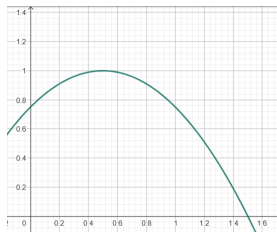


Fig. 5: $f(n) = -n^2 + n + \frac{3}{4}$

- Since E_1 is the equilibria which the system will reach an infection free state we will display it

Numerical Computation

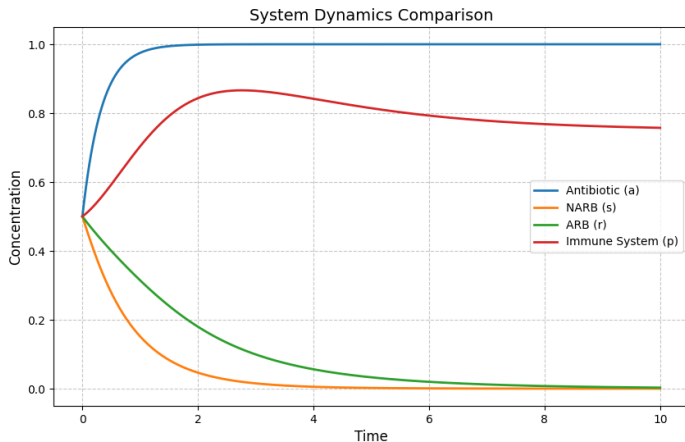


Fig. 6: Stability of E_1

Numerical Computation

Specifically, for E_1 to be stable, two crucial conditions must be met:

- the antibiotic must be administered at a sufficiently high rate compared to the reproduction rate of non-resistant bacteria
- the immune response must be strong enough to outcompete and eliminate resistant bacteria

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