

① Malthusian Model

$$a) \dot{p}(t) = \lambda \cdot p(t) \Rightarrow \frac{dp}{dt} = \lambda p \Rightarrow \frac{dp}{p} = \lambda dt \Rightarrow \int \frac{dp}{p} = \int \lambda dt$$

$$\Rightarrow \ln p = \lambda t + C \Rightarrow p = e^{\lambda t + C} \Rightarrow p = e^{\lambda t} \cdot e^C$$

Let $C' = e^C$ as new constant:

$$\Rightarrow p = C' \cdot e^{\lambda t}$$

For given $p(0) = p_0$:

$$p_0 = C' \cdot e^{\lambda \cdot 0} \Rightarrow C' = p_0$$

When we rewrite C' in the equation again:

$$\boxed{p = p_0 \cdot e^{\lambda t}}$$

$$b) p = p_0 \cdot e^{\lambda t}$$

$$\text{At } t=0 \Rightarrow p(0) = 232 \text{ million}$$

$$\text{At } t=1000 \Rightarrow p(1000) = 323 \text{ million}$$

$$232 = p_0 \cdot e^{\lambda \cdot 0} \Rightarrow \boxed{p_0 = 232}$$

$$\Rightarrow 323 = 232 \cdot e^{\lambda \cdot 1000} \Rightarrow \boxed{\lambda = \frac{\ln(323/232)}{1000}}$$

$$c) \text{ For } t=2000 \rightarrow p(2000) = 232 \cdot e^{\frac{\ln(323/232)}{1000} \cdot 2000} \approx \underline{\underline{449.7}} \text{ million}$$

Reality $p(2000) = 6140$ million.

! Our model underestimates the population at $t=2000$.

• Flaws in the model:

→ ~~Population growth~~ The model does not account for technological advancements, health improvements, changes in social norms and other factors that can significantly influence population growth rates.

• Improvements:

→ Adjusting λ over time: Defining a dynamic λ can reflect the changes due to significant historical events or changes.

② Modelling Population Dynamics

$$\dot{p} = \lambda p^2 \left(1 - \frac{p}{K}\right)$$

a) Scenarios we want to use positive p^2 term:

? This factor is useful when interactions within the ~~total~~ population significantly enhance growth.

→ Useful for the populations benefit from larger group sizes. Particularly noticeable in social and cooperative ~~group~~ species.

→ This term indicates that growth accelerates more quickly than linear models. This might be typical in species with high fecundity.

b) The purpose of $\left(1 - \frac{p}{K}\right)$ term:

→ Regularization of Growth: When the population (p) approaches to K , the growing process is getting ~~more~~ slower.

→ Limiting Population Size: When the population (p) reaches carrying capacity (K) the terms become 0. This zeros out the growth rate ($\dot{p} = 0$) and indicates that the population is stabilized (no longer growing).

? This term is fundamental part of logistic growth models and reflects the reality that no environment can support an infinite population due to limited resources.

c) Stationary points: $\boxed{p=0}, \boxed{p=K} \Rightarrow \dot{p}=0$

Interpretations:


$p=0 \Rightarrow$ Represents extinct or non-existing population.

$p=K \Rightarrow$ Represents an equilibrium state where the population is stable and does not change. Also, the ~~maximum~~ maximum capacity the population can reach for this model.

$$d) \frac{dp}{dp} = \lambda \cdot \left(2p - \frac{3p^2}{K}\right) \quad e)$$

For $p=0 \Rightarrow \frac{dp}{dp} = 0 \rightarrow$ unstable equilibrium point

For $p=K \Rightarrow \frac{dp}{dp} = -\lambda K < 0 \rightarrow$ stable equilibrium point

For $0 < p < K \Rightarrow$ 

$p < \frac{2K}{3} \Rightarrow \frac{dp}{dp} > 0 \rightarrow$ population grows

$p > \frac{2K}{3} \Rightarrow \frac{dp}{dp} < 0 \rightarrow$ population decays

③ Predator-Prey Models

$$\left. \begin{aligned} \frac{du}{dt} &= u(1-u-av) \\ \frac{dv}{dt} &= sv(1+bu-v) \end{aligned} \right\} \text{ where } a, b, s > 0$$

a) For given case v represent the predator population, whereas u represents the prey population.

→ ~~when~~ when we increase v , we can see from the first equation growth in u (du/dt) decreases, indicating v hunts u .

→ When we increase u , as we can see from equation 2, the growth in v (dv/dt) also increases. This indicates v is fed by u .

b) Finding steady states;

$$\text{For } \frac{du}{dt} = 0 \rightarrow \begin{cases} u = 0 \\ u = 1 - av \end{cases}$$

$$\text{For } \frac{dv}{dt} = 0 \rightarrow \begin{cases} v = 0 \\ v = 1 + bu \end{cases}$$

Consider all of the combinations;

$u = 0, v = 0 \Rightarrow (0, 0) \rightarrow$ Both populations are extinct.

$u = 0, v = 1 + bu \Rightarrow (0, 1) \rightarrow$ Prey population at carrying capacity, no predators.

$u = 1 - av, v = 0 \Rightarrow (1, 0) \rightarrow$ Predator capacity at carrying capacity, no prey.

$u = 1 - av, v = 1 + bu \Rightarrow \left(\frac{1-a}{1+ab}, \frac{1+b}{1+ab} \right)$ NOT REALISTIC!

c) Jacobian and its eigenvalues where u is extinct.

$$J = \begin{bmatrix} 1-2u-av & -av \\ sbv & s(1+bu-2v) \end{bmatrix}$$

\Rightarrow Evaluate at $(u, v) = (0, 1)$.

$$J = \begin{bmatrix} 1-a & 0 \\ 0 & -s \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \text{Eigenvalues}$$

$$\det(J - \lambda I) = 0$$

$$\begin{vmatrix} 1-a-\lambda & 0 \\ 0 & -s-\lambda \end{vmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow (1-a-\lambda)(-s-\lambda) = 0 \Rightarrow \boxed{\lambda_1 = 1-a}$$

$$\boxed{\lambda_2 = -s}$$

\hookrightarrow Coexistence equilibrium.

Prey and predator have stable population

d) Stability check;

- $\lambda_1 = 1-a$ is negative if $a > 1$.
- $\lambda_2 = -s$ is always negative since $s > 0$

! $a > 1$, state stable since both eigenvalues have negative real part.

$a \leq 1$, state unstable.

State $\Rightarrow (u, v) = (0, 1)$.