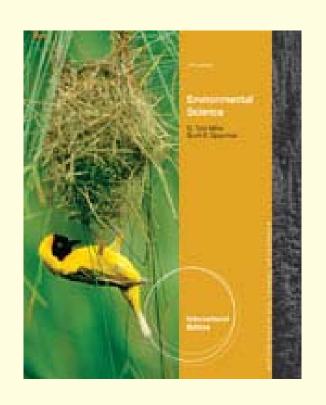
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CHAPTER 5:

Biodiversity,
Species Interactions,
and Population Control

Core Case Study: Endangered Southern Sea Otter (1)

- Santa Cruz to Santa Barbara shallow coast
- Live in kelp forests
- Eat shellfish
- ~16,000 around 1900
- Hunted for fur and because considered competition for abalone and shellfish

Core Case Study: Endangered Southern Sea Otter (2)

- 1938-2008: increase from 50 to ~2760
- 1977: declared an endangered species
- Why should we care?
 - 1. Cute and cuddly tourists love them
 - 2. Ethics it's wrong to hunt a species to extinction
 - 3. Keystone species eat other species that would destroy kelp forests



Fig. 5-1, p. 79



Fig. 5-A, p. 82

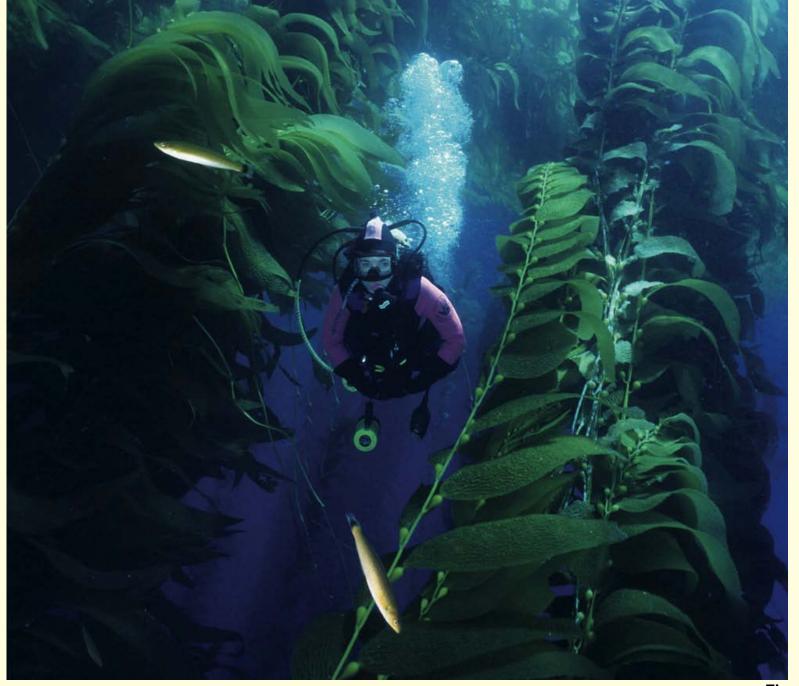


Fig. 5-1, p. 79

5-1 How Do Species Interact?

• **Concept 5-1** Five types of interactions of species —interspecific competition, predation, parasitism, mutualism, and commensalism—affect the resource use and population sizes of the species in an ecosystem.

5가지 유형의 종들간 상호작용은 생태계에서 각 종들의 개체수와 자원사용량을 조절한다: 개체간 경쟁, 포식, 기생, 상생, 공생

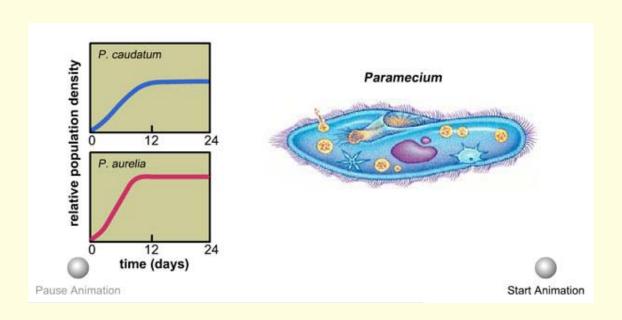
Species Interact in 5 Major Ways

- Interspecific competition
- Predation
- Parasitism
- Mutualism
- Commensalism

Interspecific Competition

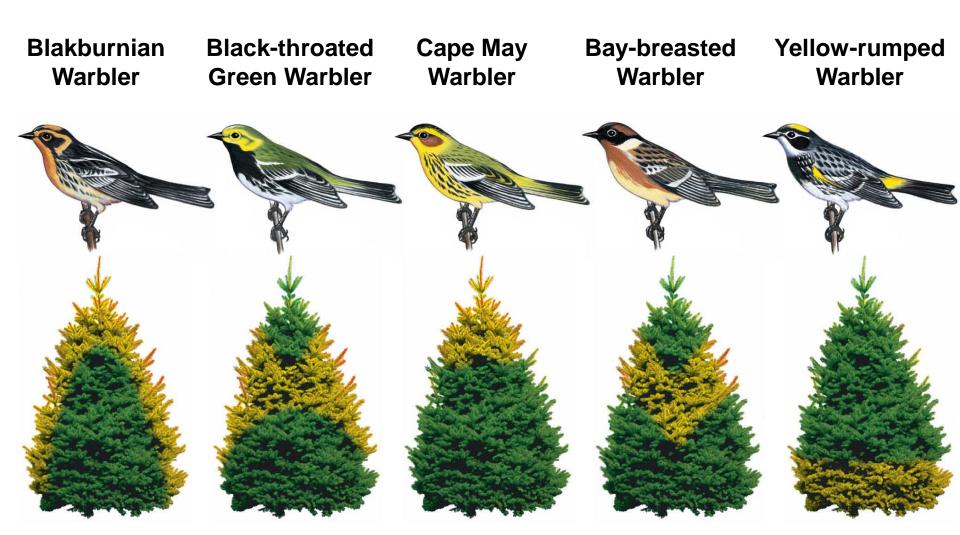
- No two species can share vital limited resources for long
- Resolved by:
 - Migration
 - Shift in feeding habits or behavior
 - Population drop
 - Extinction
- Intense competition leads to resource partitioning

Animation: Gause's Competition Experiment









Predation (1)

- Predator strategies
 - -Herbivores can move to plants
 - -Carnivores
 - Pursuit
 - Ambush
 - Camouflage
 - -Chemical warfare

Science Focus: Sea Urchins Threaten Kelp Forests (1)

- Kelp forests
 - Can grow two feet per day
 - Require cool water
 - Host many species high biodiversity
 - Fight beach erosion
 - Algin

Science Focus: Sea Urchins Threaten Kelp Forests (2)

- Kelp forests threatened by
 - Sea urchins
 - Pollution
 - Rising ocean temperatures

- Southern sea otters eat urchins
 - Keystone species

Predation (2)

- Prey strategies
 - Evasion
 - Alertness highly developed senses
 - Protection shells, bark, spines, thorns
 - Camouflage

Predation (3)

- Prey strategies, continued
 - Mimicry
 - Chemical warfare
 - Warning coloration
 - Behavioral strategies puffing up

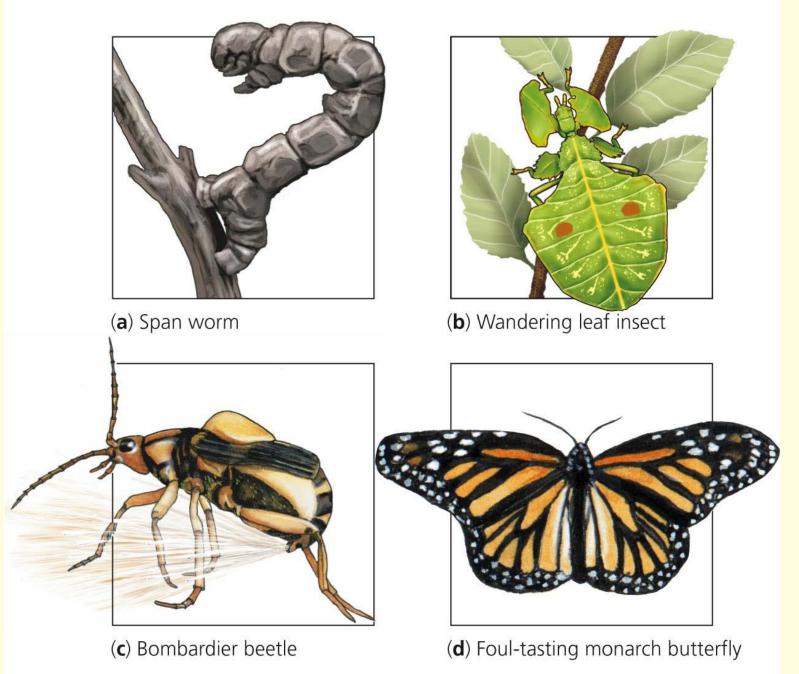
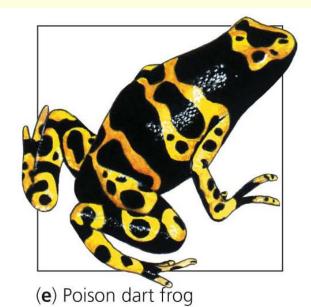
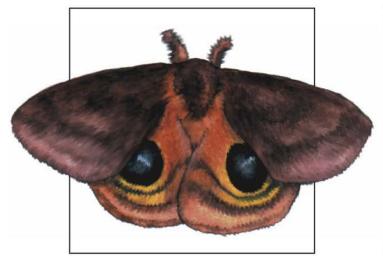


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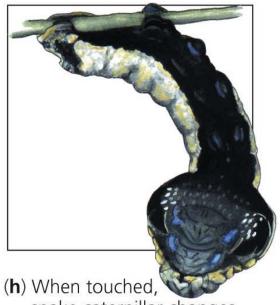




(**f**) Viceroy butterfly mimics monarch butterfly



(**g**) Hind wings of Io moth resemble eyes of a much larger animal.



snake caterpillar changes shape to look like head of snake.

Coevolution

- Predator and prey
 - Intense natural selection pressure on each other
 - Each can evolve to counter the advantageous traits the other has developed
 - Bats and moths



Fig. 5-4, p. 83

Parasitism

- Live in or on the host
- Parasite benefits, host harmed
- Parasites promote biodiversity



Fig. 5-5, p. 84



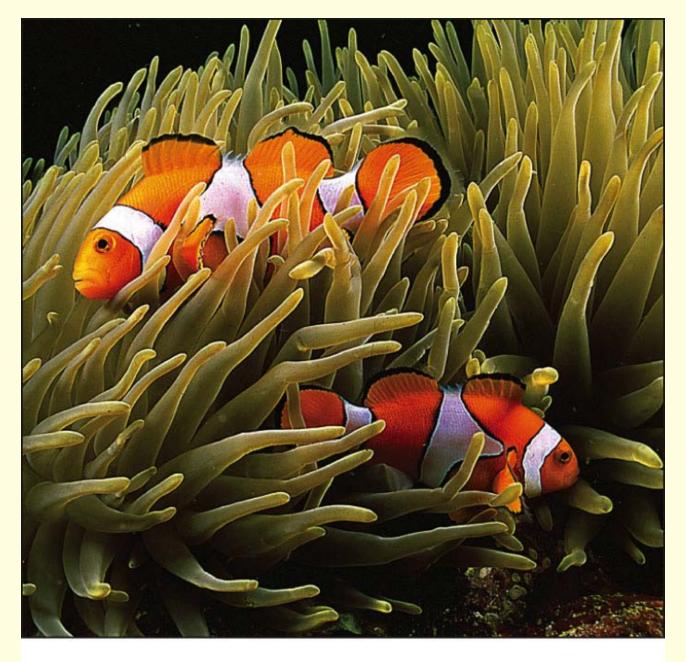
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Mutualism

- Both species benefit
- Nutrition and protection
- Gut inhabitant mutualism



(a) Oxpeckers and black rhinoceros



(b) Clownfish and sea anemone

Commensalism

 Benefits one species with little impact on other

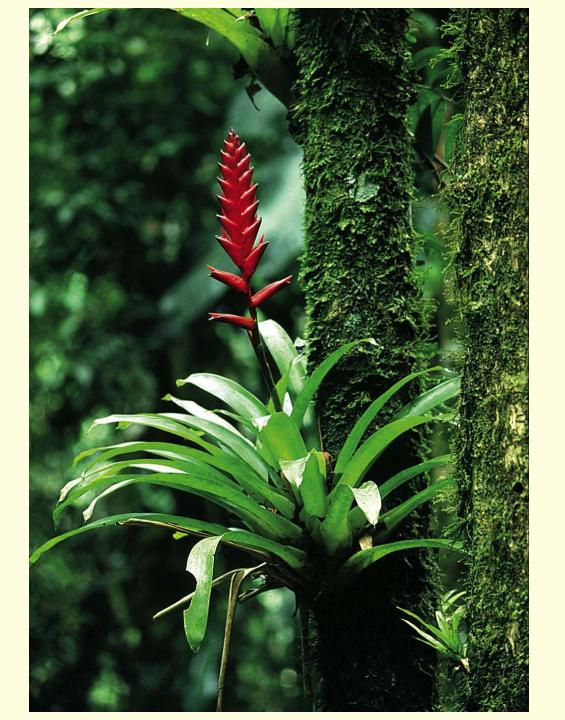


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5-2 What Limits the Growth of Populations?

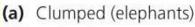
 Concept 5-2 No population can continue to grow indefinitely because of limitations on resources and because of competition among species for those resources.

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Population Distribution

- Clumping most populations
- Uniform dispersion
- Random dispersion





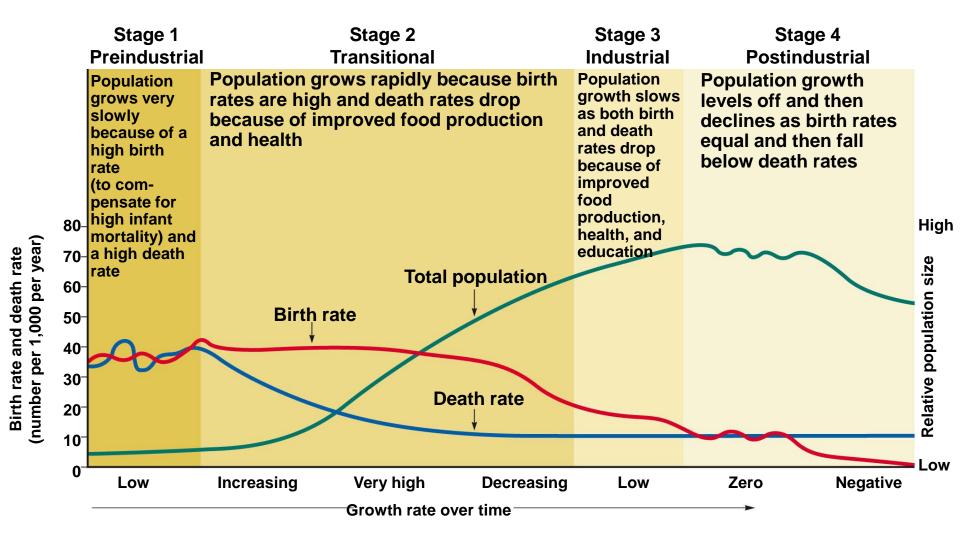
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(b) Uniform (creosote bush)



(c) Random (dandelions)



Populations Sizes Are Dynamic

Vary over time

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population = (births + immigration) - (deaths + emigration)
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Age structure

- -Pre-reproductive stage
- Reproductive stage
- Post-reproductive stage

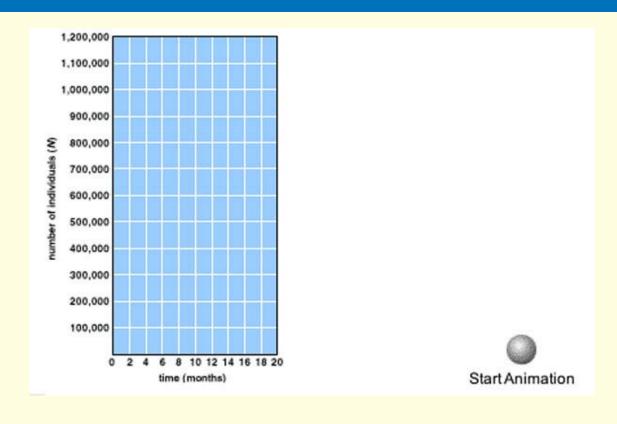
Limits to Population Growth (1)

- Biotic potential is idealized capacity for growth
- Intrinsic rate of increase (r)
- Nature limits population growth with resource limits and competition
- Environmental resistance

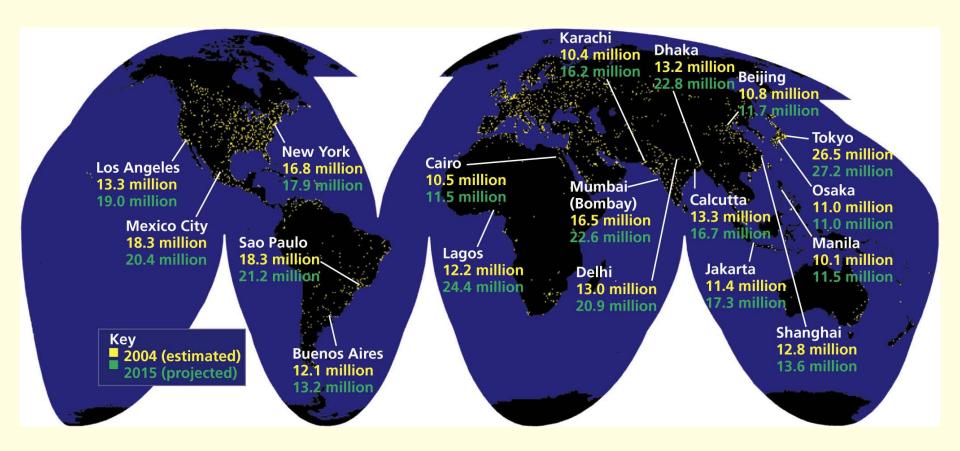
Limits to Population Growth (1)

- Carrying capacity biotic potential and environmental resistance
- Exponential growth
- Logistic growth

Animation: Exponential Growth





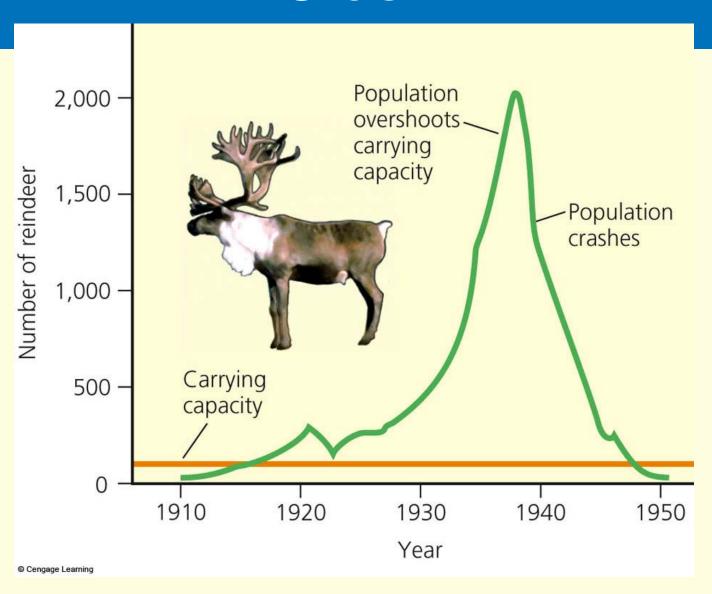




Overshoot and Dieback

- Population not transition smoothly from exponential to logistic growth
- Overshoot carrying capacity of environment
- Caused by reproductive time lag
- Dieback, unless excess individuals switch to new resource

Overshoot and Population Crash



Different Reproductive Patterns

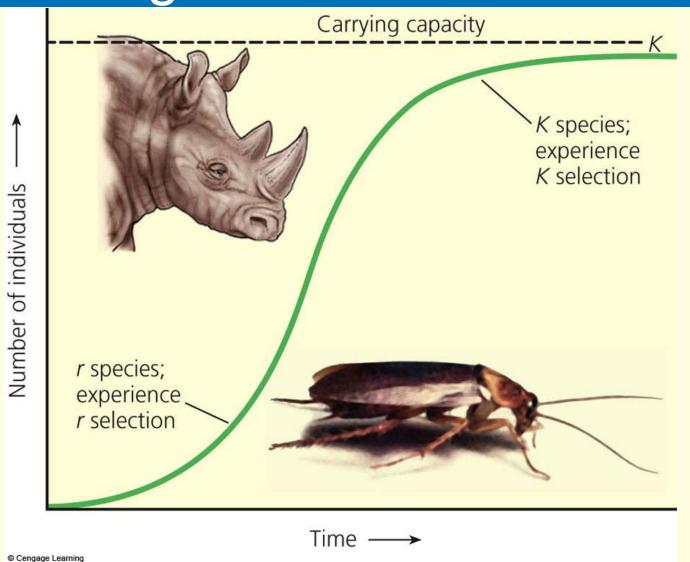
r-Selected species

- High rate of population increase
- Opportunists

K-selected species

- Competitors
- Slowly reproducing
- Most species' reproductive cycles between two extremes

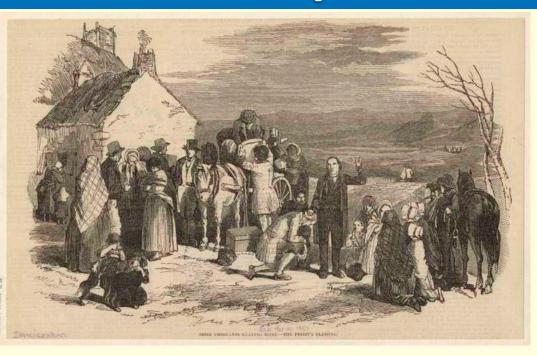
r- and K-selected Positions on the Sigmoid Growth Curve



Humans Not Except from Population Controls

- Bubonic plague (14th century)
- Famine in Ireland (1845)
- AIDS
- Technology, social, and cultural changes extended earth's carrying capacity for humans
- Expand indefinitely or reach carrying capacity?

Humans Not Except from Population Controls





Video: AIDS Conference in Brazil





5-3 How Do Communities and Ecosystems Respond to Changing Environmental Conditions?

- Concept 5-3 The structure and species composition of communities and ecosystems change in response to changing environmental conditions through a process called <u>ecological</u> <u>succession</u>.
- 여러 종들과 그 커뮤니티로 이루어진 생태계의 구조는 '생태적 연쇄작용' 이라는 과정을 통해 변화하는 환경에 반응해간다

Ecological Succession

- Primary succession
- Secondary succession
- Disturbances create new conditions
- Intermediate disturbance hypothesis

Succession's Unpredictable Path

- Successional path <u>not always predictable</u> toward <u>climax community</u>
- Communities are ever-changing mosaics of different stages of succession
- Continual change, <u>not permanent</u> <u>equilibrium</u>

Precautionary Principle

- Lack of predictable succession and equilibrium should not prevent conservation
- Ecological degradation should be avoided
- Better safe than sorry