

# Spruce Budworm

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# Logistic Equation

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$$\frac{dN}{dt} = r_B N \left( 1 - \frac{N}{K_B} \right)$$

# Adding Predation

Logistic Equation with Predation

$$\frac{dN}{dt} = r_B N \left( 1 - \frac{N}{K_B} \right) - p(N)$$

Ludwig's Suggested Form for  $p(N)$

$$p(N) = \frac{BN^2}{A^2 + N^2}$$

# Predation

Graph of  $BN^2/(A^2 + N^2)$

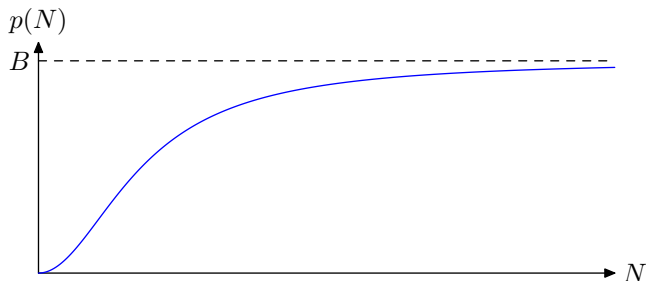


Figure 1: Behavior of predation as budworm population increases

# Budworm Population

Budworm Population is Governed by

$$\frac{dN}{dt} = r_B N \left( 1 - \frac{N}{K_B} \right) - \frac{BN^2}{A^2 + N^2}$$

# Saturation

Differentiate  $p(N)$  to see where function is increasing

$$p(N) = \frac{BN^2}{A^2 + N^2}$$

$$p'(N) = \frac{(A^2 + N^2)(2BN) - (BN^2)(2N)}{(A^2 + N^2)^2}$$

$$p'(N) = \frac{2A^2BN}{(A^2 + N^2)^2}$$

Differentiate  $p'(N)$  to check for concavity

$$p'(N) = \frac{2A^2BN}{(A^2 + N^2)^2}$$

$$p''(N) = \frac{(A^2 + N^2)^2(2A^2B) - (2A^2BN)[2(A^2 + N^2)2N]}{(A^2 + N^2)^4}$$

$$p''(N) = \frac{2A^2B(A^2 - 3N^2)}{(A^2 + N^2)^3}$$



# Roots of Equation

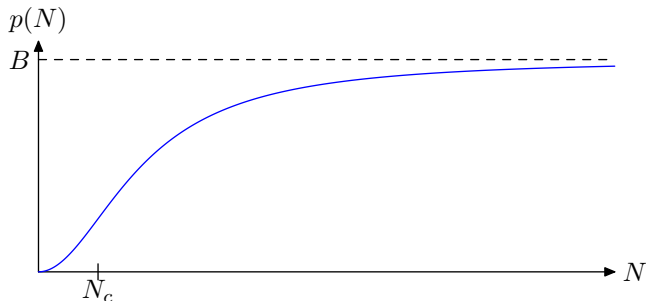
$$A^2 - 3N^2 = 0$$

$$N = \pm \sqrt{\frac{1}{3}A^2}$$

$$N_c = \sqrt{\frac{A}{3}}$$

# Critical value

Threshold value is at  $N_c$ .



**Figure 2:** The population value  $N_c$  is an approximate threshold value. For  $N < N_c$  predation is small, while for  $N > N_c$  it is switched on.

Convert to nondimensional terms.

$$\frac{dN}{dt} = r_B N \left( 1 - \frac{N}{K_B} \right) - \frac{BN^2}{A^2 + N^2}$$

Introduction of nondimensional terms.

$$u = \frac{N}{A}, r = \frac{Ar_B}{B}, q = \frac{K_B}{A}, \tau = \frac{Bt}{A}$$

With these substitutions,

$$\frac{dN}{dt} = r_B N \left( 1 - \frac{N}{K_B} \right) - \frac{BN^2}{A^2 + N^2}$$

$$\frac{du}{d\tau} = ru \left( 1 - \frac{u}{q} \right) - \frac{u^2}{1 + u^2}.$$

# Steady States

Finding equilibrium points

$$0 = u \left[ r \left( 1 - \frac{u}{q} \right) - \frac{u}{1 + u^2} \right]$$

Either  $u = 0$  or

$$r \left( 1 - \frac{u}{q} \right) = \frac{u}{1 + u^2}.$$

# Graph of $r$ and $q$

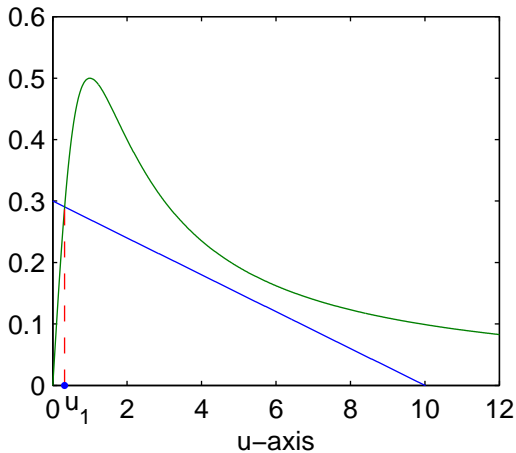


Figure 3: There is an asymptotically stable equilibrium point at  $u_1$ .

# Graph of $r$ and $q$

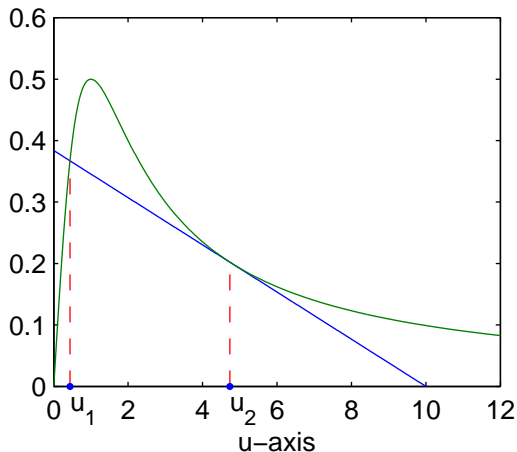


Figure 4: There is an additional semi-stable equilibrium point at  $u_2$ .

# Graph of $r$ and $q$

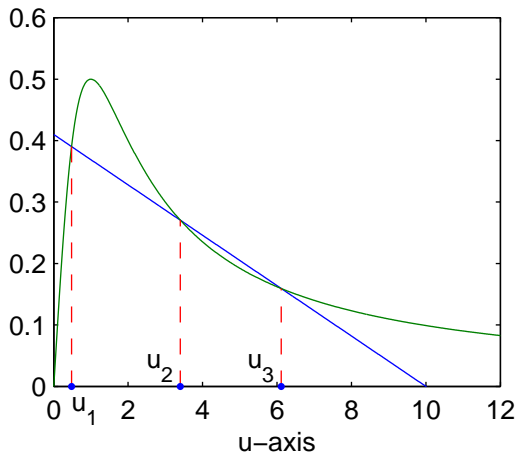


Figure 5: Three equilibrium points.



# Graph of $r$ and $q$

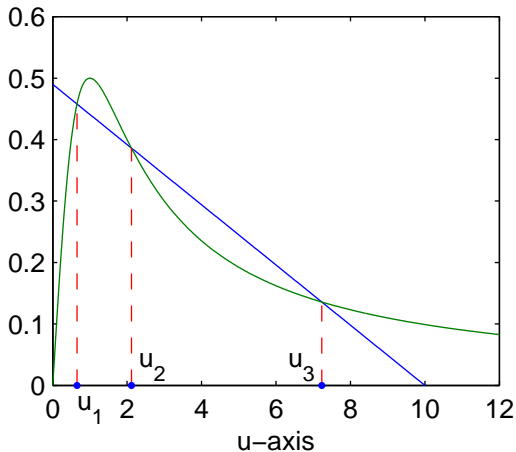


Figure 6: As  $r$  increases  $u_1$  and  $u_2$  move closer together.

# Graph of $r$ and $q$

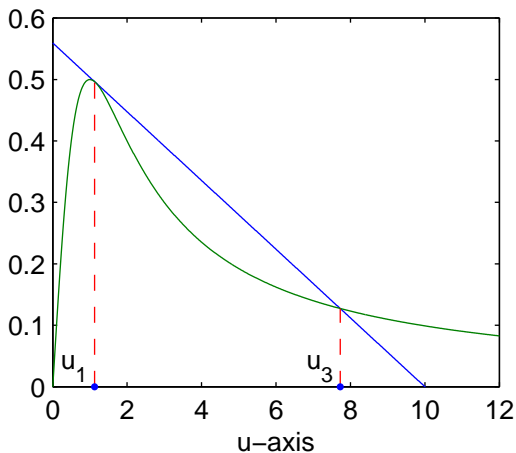


Figure 7: Increasing  $r$   $u_1$  and  $u_2$  coalesce into one semi stable equilibrium point.

# Graph of $r$ and $q$

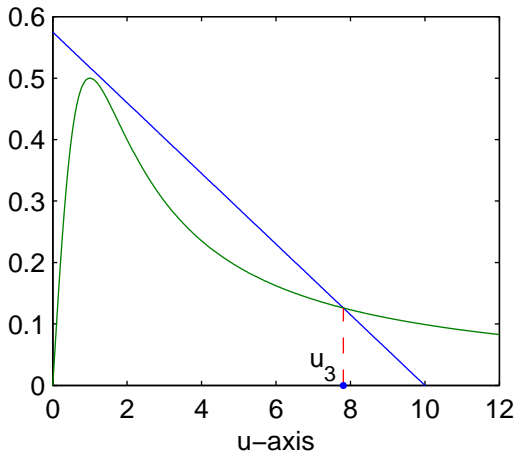


Figure 8: Increasing  $r$  we are back to one stable equilibrium point at  $u_3$ .

# Hysteresis

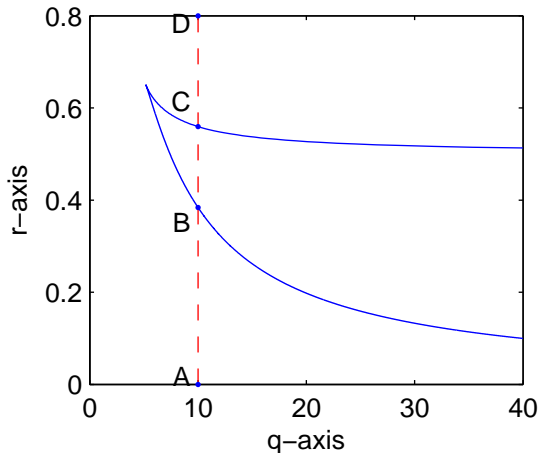


Figure 9: Path of  $r$  Along  $ABCD$

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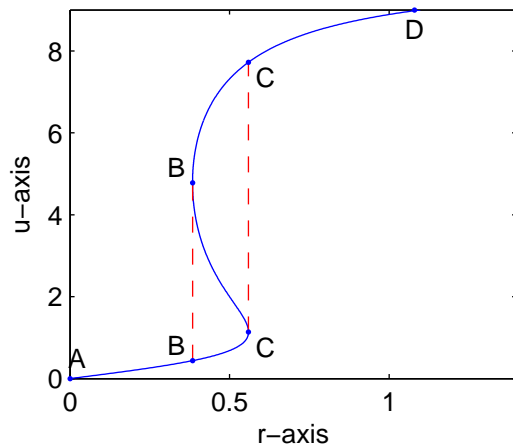


Figure 10: Path of  $r$  Along  $ABCD$