

Set - 3 : Logistic Equation and its Modifications

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I. MODEL

A. Human Population

The human population grows according to the logistic equation

$$\frac{dx}{dt} = ax - bx^2 \quad (1)$$

where $k = \frac{a}{b}$ represents the carrying capacity. On solving this equation with initial condition $x(0) = x_0$ and $k = a/b$ we get the following result,

$$x(t) = \frac{kx_0e^{at}}{k + x_0(e^{at} - 1)} \quad (2)$$

B. Spread of Agricultural Innovation

The $x(t)$ for the spread of agricultural innovations among farmers through personal communications is given by

$$x = \frac{Ne^{CNt}}{(N-1) + e^{CNt}} \quad (4)$$

The dynamical equation for the spread of agricultural innovations among farmers through impersonal communications is given by

$$\dot{x} = (Cx + C')(n - x) \quad (5)$$

The $x(t)$ for the spread of agricultural innovations among farmers through impersonal communications is given by

$$x = \frac{NC'[1 - e^{-(CN+C')t}]}{C' + CNe^{-(CN+C')t}} \quad (6)$$

Defining $X = x/N$, $T = cNt$, $A = C/CN$ and $X \cdot dX/dT$,

Recast dynamical equation for the spread of agricultural innovations among farmers through personal communications is given by

$$\dot{X} = X(1 - X) \quad (7)$$

$X(T)$ for the spread of agricultural innovations among farmers through personal communications is given by

$$X = \frac{1}{1 + A^{-1}e^{-T}} \quad (8)$$

Recast dynamical equation for the spread of agricultural innovations among farmers through impersonal communications is given by

$$\dot{X} = (X + A)(1 - X) \quad (9)$$

$X(T)$ for the spread of agricultural innovations among farmers through impersonal communications is given by

$$X = \frac{1 - e^{-(1+A)T}}{1 + A^{-1}e^{-(1+A)T}} \quad (10)$$

C. Harvesting Model

The logistic equation is modified as

$$\dot{x} = f(x) = rx[1 - (x/k)] - h \quad (1)$$

Where h is the “harvesting” rate. For $h=0$ this equation is same as the logistic equation with $a = r$ and $b = \frac{r}{k}$.

For $h=0$ the solution becomes

$$x(t) = \frac{x_0e^{rt}}{1 + \frac{x_0}{k}(e^{rt} - 1)}$$

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II. RESULTS

A. Human Population

Fig. 9 shows the plot of analytical solution for Eq. 1.

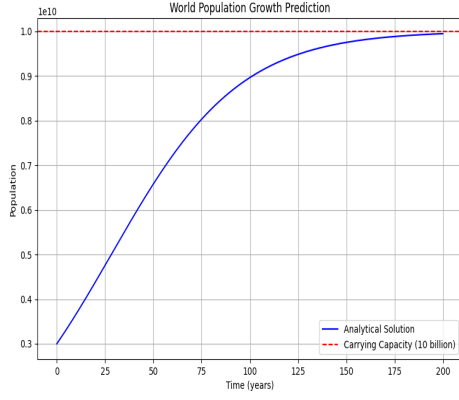


FIG. 1: $a=0.03$ per annum and $b= 3 * 10^{-12}$ and $x_0= 3 * 10^9$

The limiting value of the world population from the plot and by using $k = \frac{a}{b}$ is **10 billion**. As per the current data, it is **8 billion** which is very close .

Fig. 2 shows x (by Euler's method) versus t with timestep of 0.01.

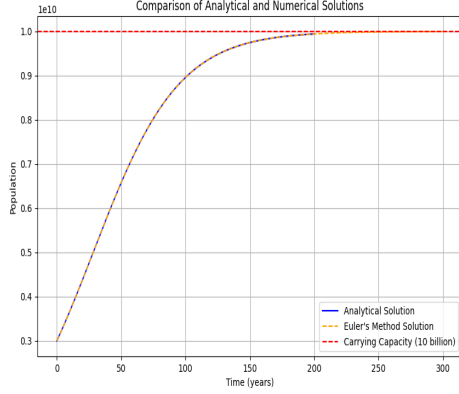


FIG. 2: Euler Solution

Fig. 3 shows relative error between Euler method and Analytical solution

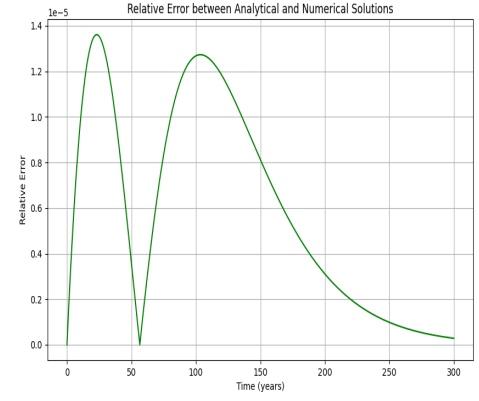


FIG. 3: shows the Relative error between Analytical and Euler Solution

B. Agricultural Innovation

Fig. 4 $\frac{dX}{dT}$ versus X plot for different A values

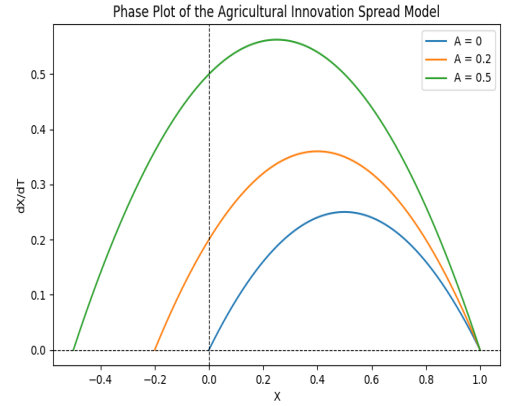
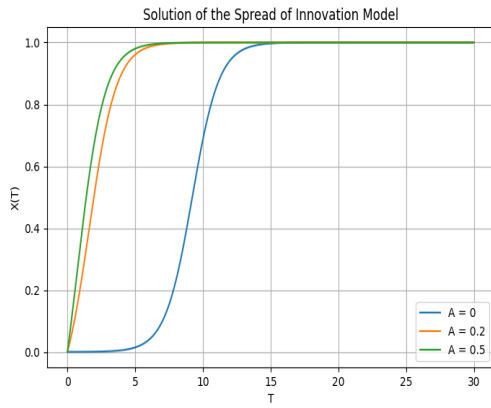


FIG. 4: Here shows the plot of \dot{X} versus X for $A = 0, 0.20, 0.50$

Fig. 5 X(T) versus T for different A values

FIG. 5: Here shows the plot of X versus T for $A = 0, 0.2, 0.5$ and $X(0)=0.0001$

C. Harvesting Model

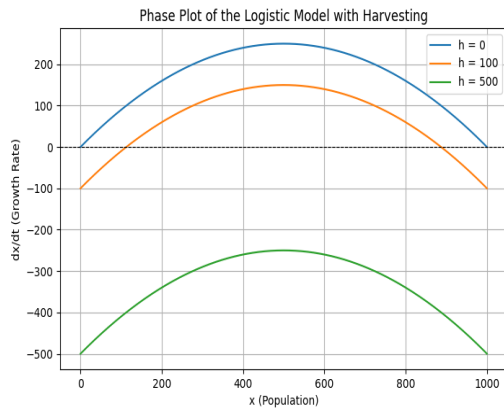
Fig. 6 $\frac{dx}{dt}$ versus x for different h valuesFIG. 6: Here shows the plot of \dot{x} versus x for $h = 0, 100, 500$ and $r=1, k=1000$

Fig. 7 Numerical Solution for different h values

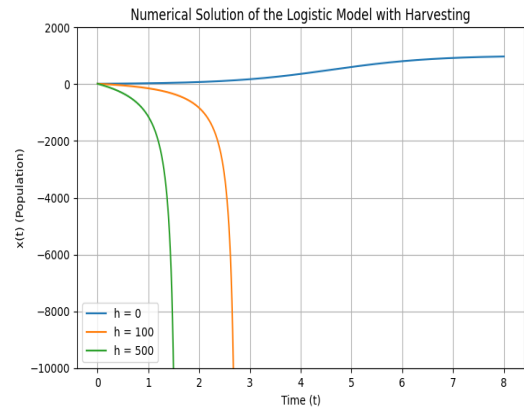
FIG. 7: Here shows the plot of Euler solution for $h = 0, 100, 500$ and $x(0)=10$ and $r=1, k=1000$

Fig. 8 Comparison of Analytical and Euler

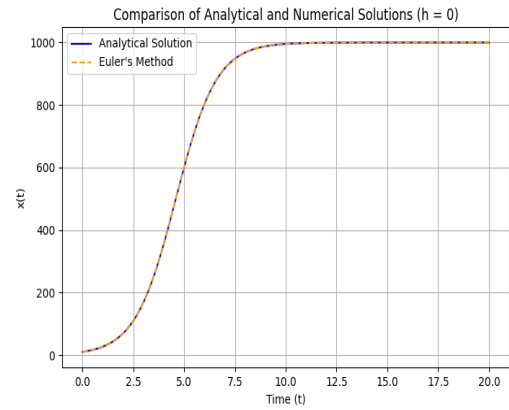
FIG. 8: Here shows the euler and analytical solution for $h = 0$ and $r=1, k=1000$

Fig. 9 Relative error between the two graphs

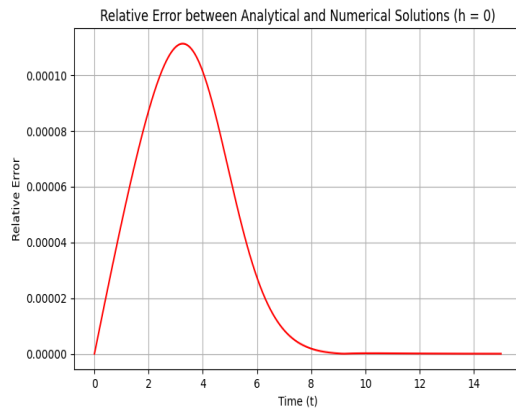


FIG. 9: Here shows the Relative error for $h = 0$