

Set 9: Competitive exclusion and predator-prey dynamics

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In this lab, we studied the Principle of competitive exclusion and modeled the population growth of two similar species. We also modeled predator-prey dynamic with and without human interference.

I. COMPETITIVE EXCLUSION

In Nature, it happens often that two similar species compete for resources and living space within the same ecological territory. The outcome of this competition is usually the extinction of one species. This is known as the Principle of Competitive Exclusion. Let the population densities of X-species be $x(t)$ and of Y species be $y(t)$.

A. Model Equations

$$\frac{dx}{dt} = Ax - Bx^2 - \alpha xy \quad (1)$$

$$\frac{dy}{dt} = Cy - Dy^2 - \beta xy \quad (2)$$

B. Results

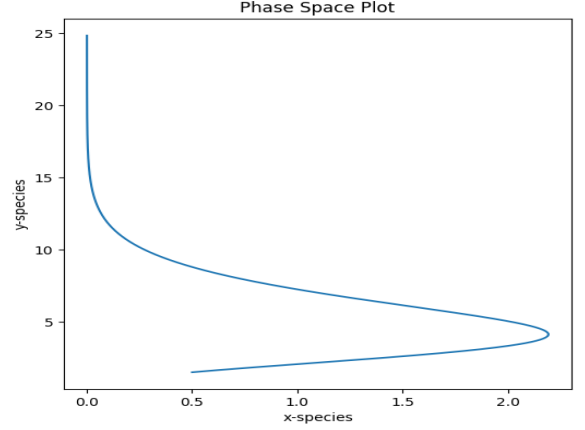


FIG. 2: Phase plot

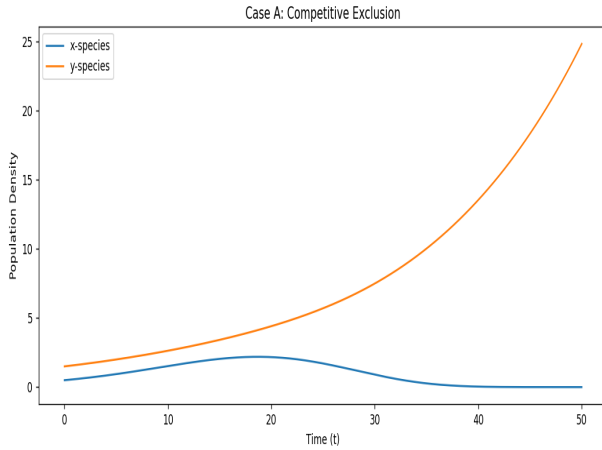


FIG. 1: Peak values $X=2.19$ and Y grows forever $A=0.21827$, $B=0$, $C=0.06069$, $D=0$, $\alpha = 0.05289$, $\beta = 0.00459$, $x_0 = 0.5$, $\delta t = 0.0001$

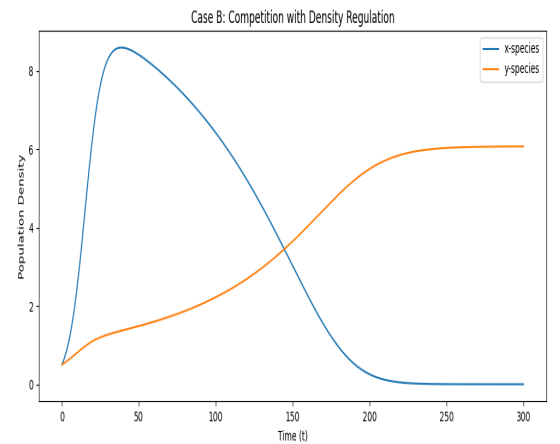


FIG. 3: Peak values $X=8.58$ and $Y=6.06$ $A=0.21827$, $B=0.017$, $C=0.06069$, $D=0.01$, $\alpha = 0.05289$, $\beta = 0.00459$, $x_0 = 0.5$, $y_0 = 0.5$, $\delta t = 0.0001$

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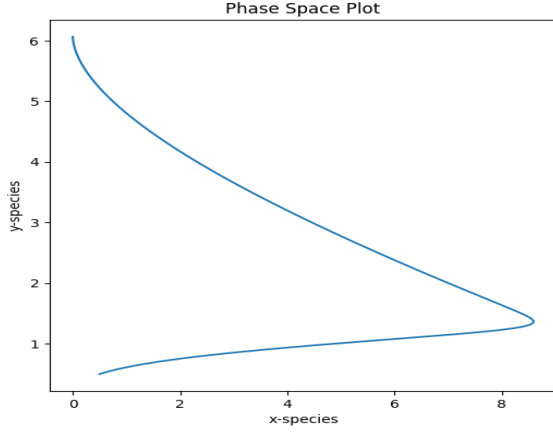


FIG. 4: Phase plot

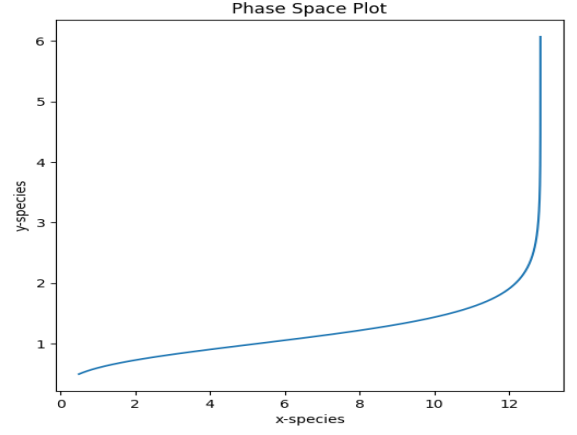


FIG. 6: Phase plot

II. PREDATOR - PREY DYNAMICS

A. Model Equations

The Lanchester model equations for the Battle of Trafalgar are given by:

$$\frac{dx}{dt} = Ax - Bxy - \epsilon x \quad (3)$$

$$\frac{dy}{dt} = -Cy + Dxy - \epsilon y \quad (4)$$

B. Results

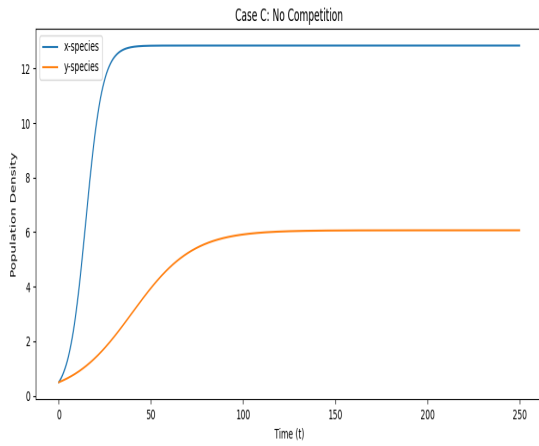


FIG. 5: Peak values $X=12.84$ and $Y=6.06$ $A=0.21827$, $B=0.017$, $C=0.06069$, $D=0.01$, $\alpha = 0$, $\beta = 0$, $x_0 = 0.5$, $y_0 = 0.5$, $\delta t = 0.0001$

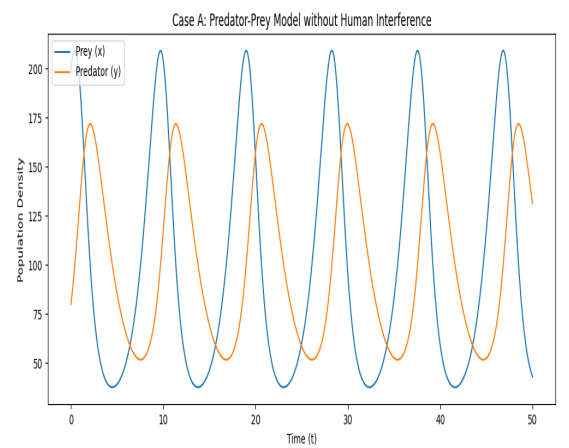


FIG. 7: Peak values Prey=209.18, Predator= 171.71, $A=1$, $B=0.01$, $C=0.5$, $D=0.005$, $x_0 = 200$, $y_0 = 80$, $\epsilon = 0$, $\delta t = 0.0001$

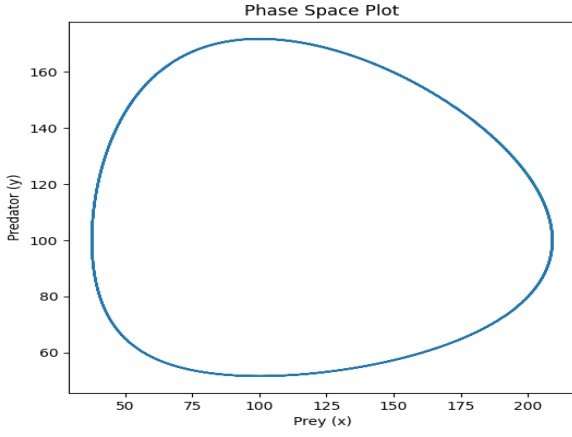
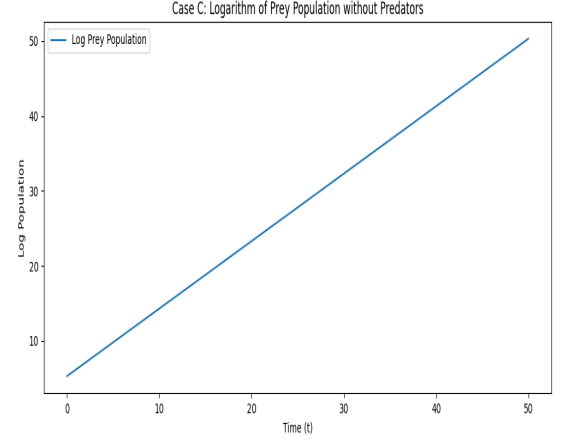
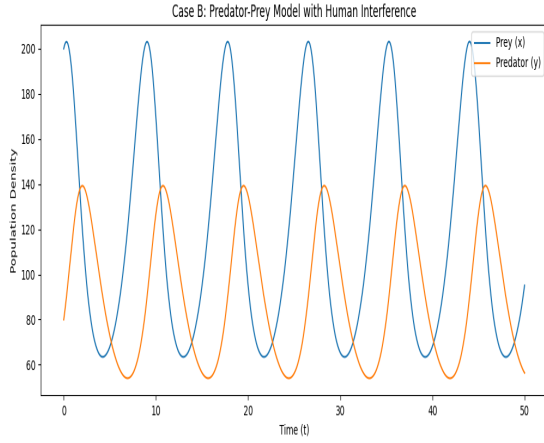


FIG. 8: Phase plot

FIG. 11: Population density of prey without predator in log scale. Increases with time , $x_0 = 200, y_0 = 0$ FIG. 9: Peak values Prey=202.160, Predator= 139.21, $A=1$, $B=0.01$, $C=0.5$, $D=0.005$, $x_0 = 200, y_0 = 80, \epsilon = 0.1, \delta t = 0.0001$

Due to human interference, the peak value of prey decreases by about 8 units, whereas the peak value of predators decreases by about 30 units, indicating that human interference benefits the prey.

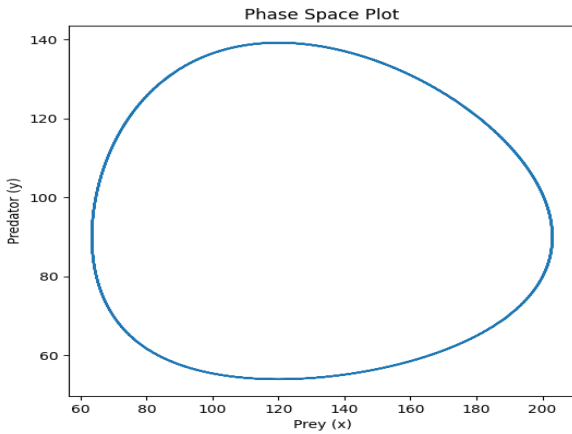
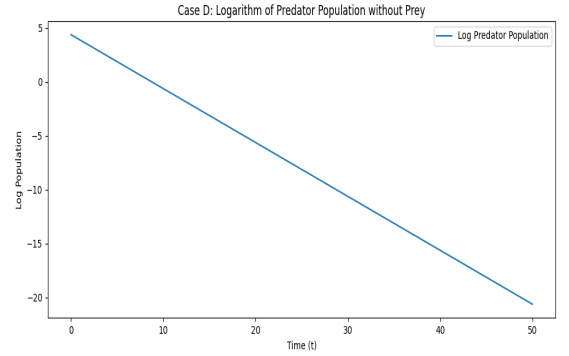


FIG. 10: Phase plot

FIG. 12: Population density of predator without prey in log scale. Decreases with time eventually extinct, $x_0 = 0, y_0 = 80$