

Set - 7 :Modelling strategic conflict between nations

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I. MODEL

Richardson's mathematical model of conflict between nations:
 Strategic conflict between two nations is captured by the coupled equations,

$$\dot{x} = ky + g - \alpha x \quad (1)$$

$$\dot{y} = lx + h - \beta y \quad (2)$$

where $k, g, \alpha, l, h, \beta > 0$.

i) Mutual disarmament without grievance, $g = h = 0$. Strategic conflict between two nations is captured by the coupled equations,

$$\dot{x} = ky - \alpha x \quad (3)$$

$$\dot{y} = lx - \beta y \quad (4)$$

Under the condition of $\alpha\beta > kl$.

ii) Mutual disarmament with grievance, $g, h \neq 0$. Strategic conflict between two nations is captured by the coupled equations, With initial values of $x(0) = y(0) = 0$,

$$\dot{x} = g \quad (5)$$

$$\dot{y} = h \quad (6)$$

where $g, h > 0$.

iii) Unilateral disarmament, Strategic conflict between two nations is captured by the coupled equations, with $y(0) = 0$ and $x(0) \neq 0$.

$$\dot{x} = g - \alpha x \quad (7)$$

$$\dot{y} = lx + h \quad (8)$$

where $g, \alpha, l, h > 0$.

iv) Arms race, Strategic conflict between two nations is captured by the coupled equations, with $\alpha = \beta = g = h = 0$.

$$\dot{x} = ky \quad (9)$$

$$\dot{y} = lx \quad (10)$$

where $k, l > 0$.

II. MUTUAL DISARMAMENT WITHOUT GRIEVANCE, $G = H = 0$

A. Results

Fig. 1 shows war potential of nations wrt time.

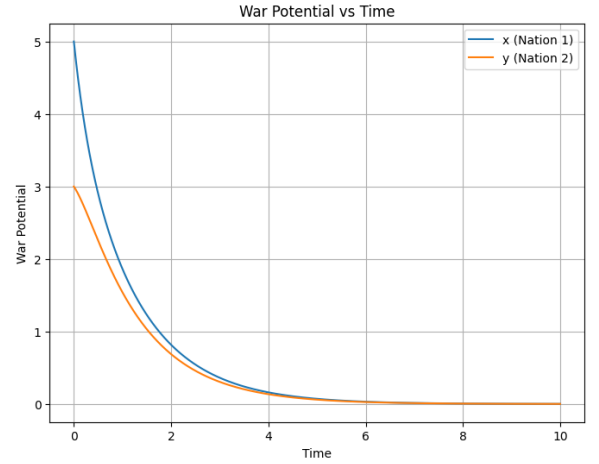


FIG. 1: Here $x(0)=5$, $y(0)=3$, $\alpha = 3$, $k=2$, $\beta = 2$, $\Delta t = 0.0001 \text{ unit.}$, $l=1$.

Fig. 2 shows war potential of nations wrt time with logarithmic y scale.

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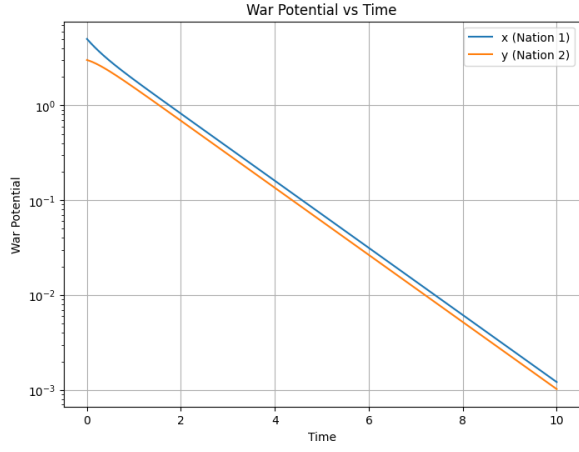


FIG. 2: Here $x(0)=5$, $y(0)=3$, $\alpha = 3$, $k=2$, $\beta = 2$, $l=1$, $\Delta t = 0.0001 \text{ unit..}$

Fig. 3 shows the war potential of enemy nation with respect to war potential of our nation.

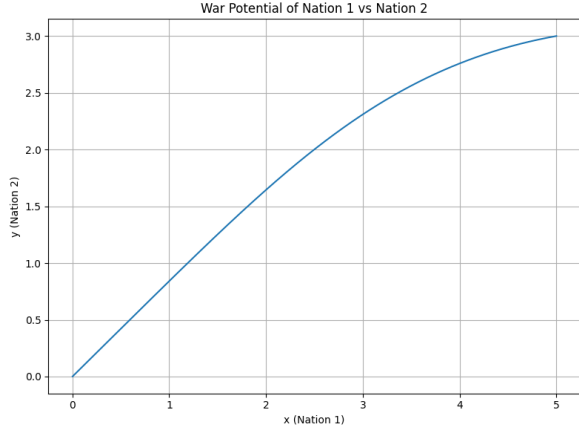


FIG. 3: Here $x(0)=5$, $y(0)=3$, $\alpha = 3$, $k=2$, $\beta = 2$, $l=1$, $\Delta t = 0.0001 \text{ unit..}$

III. MUTUAL DISARMAMENT WITH GRIEVANCE, $G, H \neq 0$

A. Results

Fig. 4 shows war potential of nations wrt time.

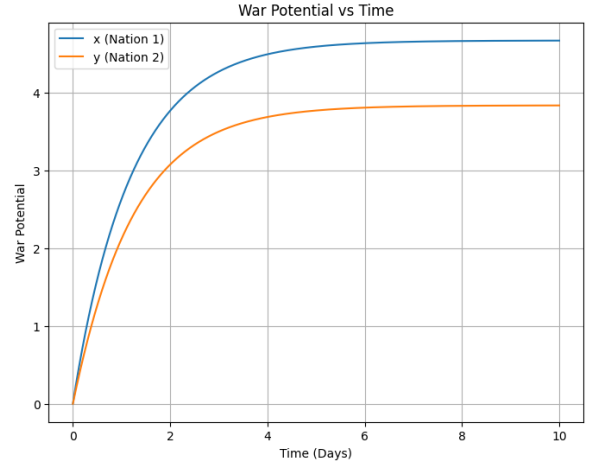


FIG. 4: here $x(0)=0$, $y(0)=0$, $g=4$, $h=3$, $\alpha = 2.5$, $k=2$, $\beta = 2$, $l=1$, $\Delta t = 0.0001 \text{ unit..}$

Fig. 5 shows the war potential of enemy nation with respect to war potential of our nation.

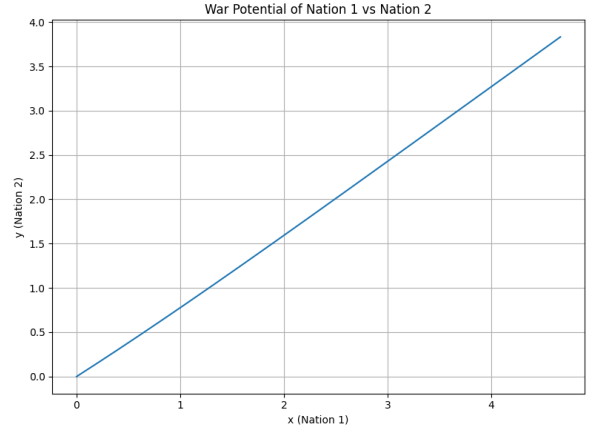


FIG. 5: Here $g=3$, $h=4$, $x(0)=0$, $y(0)=0$, $\Delta t = 0.0001 \text{ unit..}$

IV. UNILATERAL DISARMAMENT

A. Results

Fig. 6 shows the war potential of enemy nation with respect to time.

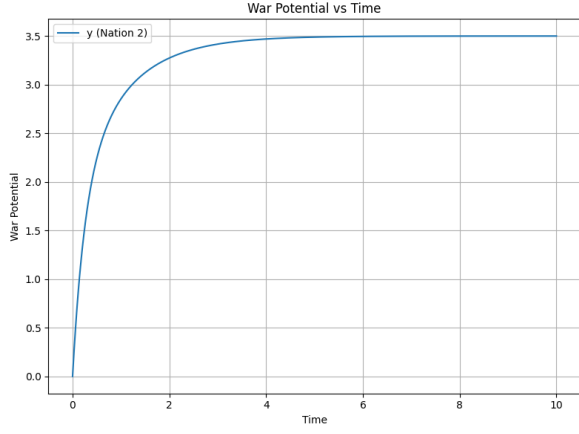


FIG. 6: Here $x(0)=3$, $y(0)=0$, $\alpha = 2$, $k=1$, $\beta = 3$, $l=2$, $g=4$, $h=3$, $\Delta t = 0.0001 \text{ unit..}$

V. ARMS RACE

A. Results

Fig. 7 shows war potential of nations wrt time.

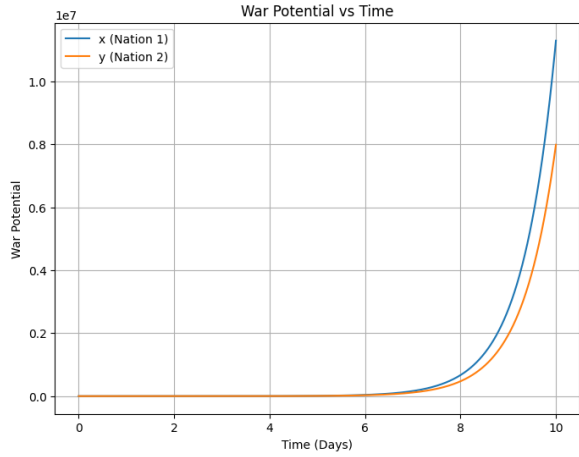


FIG. 7: Here $x(0)=5$, $y(0)=8$, $k=2$, $l=1$, $\Delta t = 0.0001 \text{ unit..}$

Fig. 8 shows war potential of nations wrt time with logarithmic y scale.

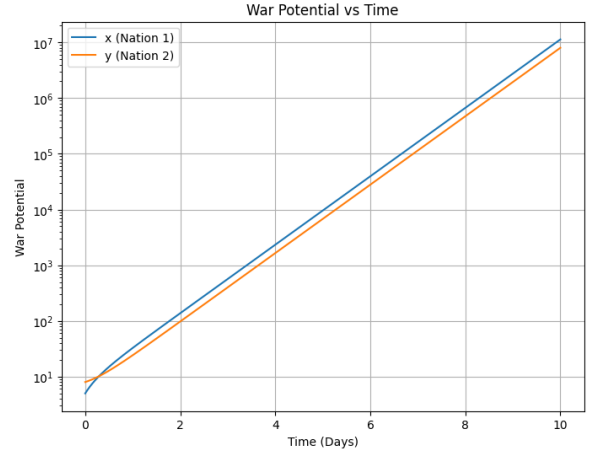


FIG. 8: Here $x(0)=5$, $y(0)=8$, $k=2$, $l=1$, $\Delta t = 0.0001 \text{ unit..}$

Fig. 9 shows the war potential of enemy nation with respect to war potential of our nation.

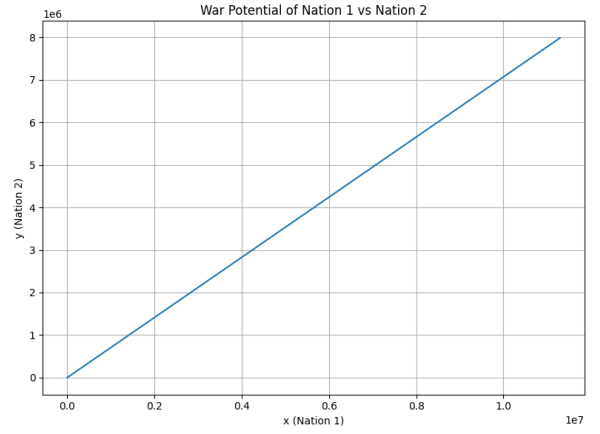


FIG. 9: Here $x(0)=5$, $y(0)=8$, $k=2$, $l=1$, $\Delta t = 0.0001 \text{ unit..}$