PREDATOR PREY MODEL FOR LARGEMOUTH BASS AND CHANNEL CATFISH

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Over 7,000 lakes, and 800,000 private ponds in Texas.



Bass and Catfish are most popular/common sport fish.



Model could be used to estimate fish population, without using test instruments.

IMPORTANCE

INTERACTIONS/DIETS

Bass

- 60.5% Fish
- 39.5% Insects or larvae
- Growth $\sim .7$ lbs/yr

Catfish

- 8% Fish
- 92% Insects or larvae
- Growth \sim .5 lbs/yr





ASSUMPTIONS







Ample amount of Insects.

No predators.

✓ Natural Mortality is included.

Quality of Water is adequate.

VARIABLES

Variable	Description	Parameter
g_i	Annual growth of fish	≈ .7lbs Bass per year ≈ .5lbs Catfish per year
k_i	Carrying capacity ~ Biomass	≈ 25lbs Bass ≈ 65lbs Catfish
f_i	Competition Factor	

$$Catfish' = Cg_1 \left(1 - \frac{c}{k_1} \right) - f_1 CB$$
$$Bass' = Bg_2 \left(1 - \frac{B}{k_2} \right) - f_2 CB$$

EQUILIBRIA

(C,B)	Stable Equilibrium
(0,0)	$0 > g_1 + g_2$
$(k_1, 0)$	$f_2 > \frac{g_2}{k_1}$
$(0, k_2)$	$f_1 > \frac{g_1}{k_2}$
$\left(-\frac{-g_1g_2k_1+f_1g_2k_1k_2}{g_1g_2-f_1f_2k_1k_2}, \frac{(-g_1g_2+f_2g_1k_1)k_2}{-g_1g_2+f_1f_2k_1k_2}\right)$	$0 < f_{2} \le \frac{g_{1}}{k_{1}} \& (0 < f_{1} < \frac{g_{1}}{k_{2}} f_{1} > \frac{g_{1}g_{2}}{f_{2}k_{1}k_{2}}) $ $\frac{g_{1}}{k_{1}} < f_{2} < \frac{g_{2}}{k_{1}} \&$ $(0 < f_{1} < \frac{g_{1}}{k_{2}} f_{1} > \frac{g_{1} + g_{2} - f_{2}k_{1}}{k_{2}}) $ $f_{2} > \frac{g_{2}}{k_{1}} \& \frac{g_{1}g_{2}}{f_{2}k_{1}k_{2}} < f_{1} < \frac{g_{1}}{k_{2}}$
	$f_2 > \frac{32}{k_1} & \frac{3132}{f_2 k_1 k_2} < f_1 < \frac{31}{k_2}$

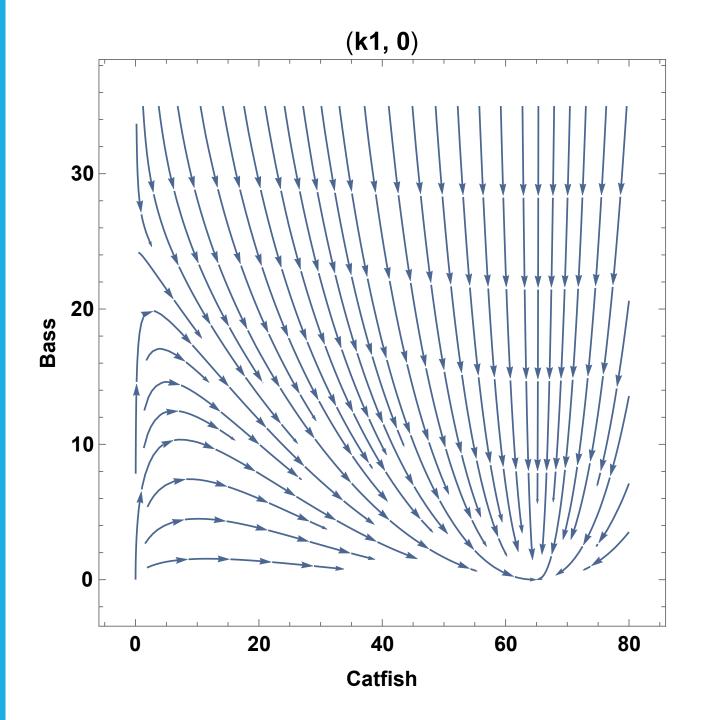
CATFISH WIN

$$f_2 > \frac{g_2}{k_1}$$

$$C' = .5C \left(1 - \frac{C}{65}\right)$$

$$B' = .7B \left(1 - \frac{B}{25}\right) - .0108CB$$

 $(C \rightarrow 65 \ lbs, B \rightarrow 0)$



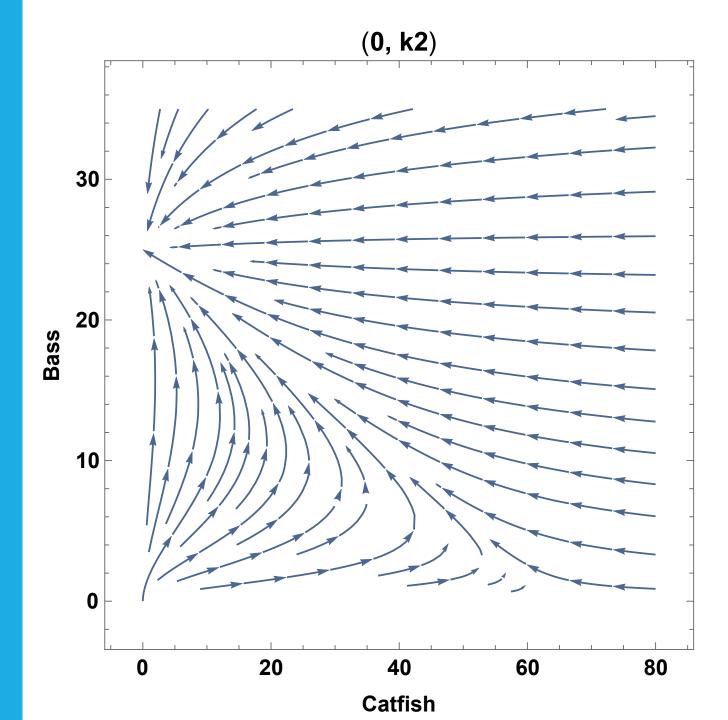
BASS WIN

$$f_1 > \frac{g_1}{k_2}$$

$$C' = .5C \left(1 - \frac{C}{65}\right) - .02CB$$

$$B' = .7B \left(1 - \frac{B}{25}\right)$$

 $(C \rightarrow 65 \ lbs, B \rightarrow 0)$

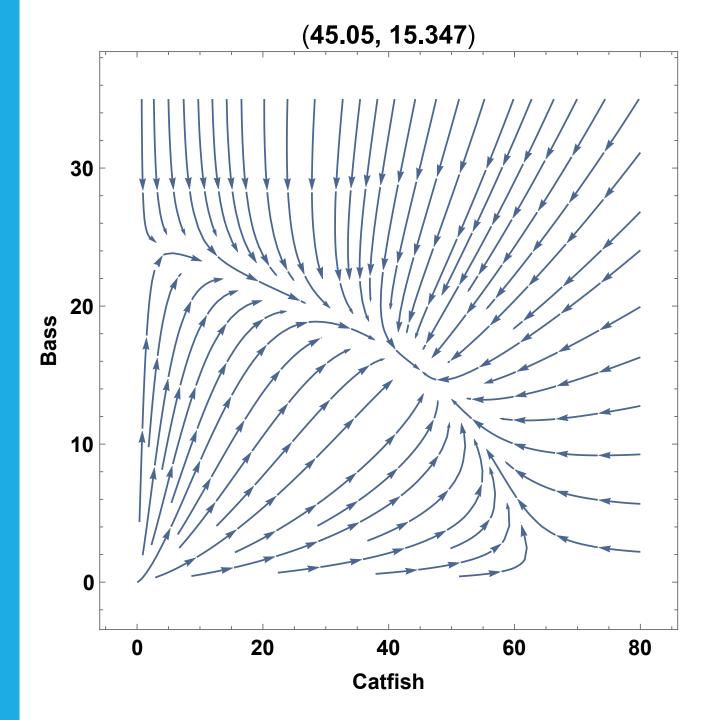


CO-EXISTENCE

$$0 < f_2 \le \frac{g_1}{k_1} & 0 < f_1 < \frac{g_1}{k_2}$$

$$C' = .5C \left(1 - \frac{C}{65} \right) - .01CB$$

$$B' = .7B \left(1 - \frac{B}{25} \right) - .006CB$$

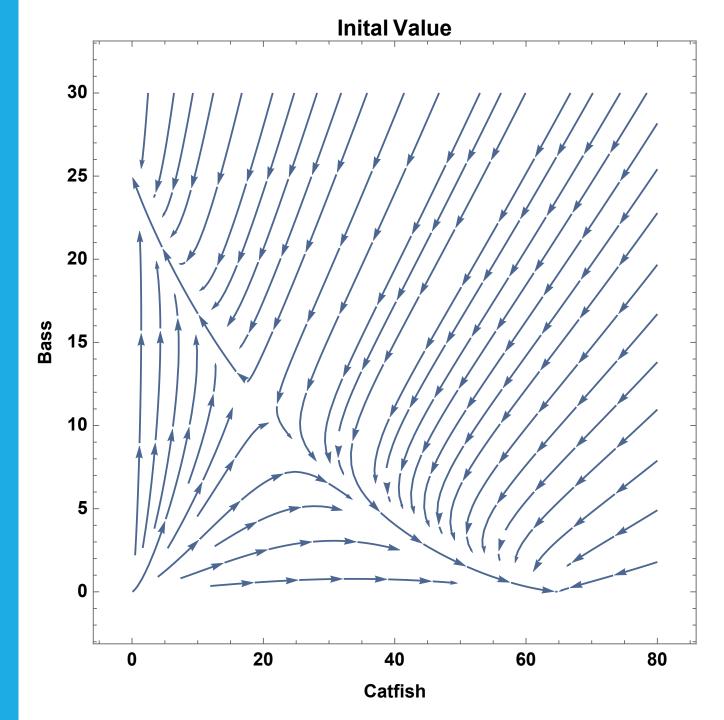


INITIAL VALUE MATTERS

$$f_1 > \frac{g_1}{k_2} \& f_2 > \frac{g_2}{k_1}$$

$$C' = .5C \left(1 - \frac{C}{65} \right) - .03CB$$

$$B' = .7B \left(1 - \frac{B}{25} \right) - .02CB$$



IMPROVEMENTS/FUTURE WORKS









FEEDING BENEFITS



EXPANDED TO LAKES

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THANK YOU! QUESTIONS?



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