

Model “Jeopardy”

Differential Equations

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For each system of differential equations, try to figure out what it could be a model of and a possible meaning for each parameter.

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{dX}{dt} &= rX \left(1 - \frac{X}{K}\right) - \frac{kYX}{X + D}, \\ \frac{dY}{dt} &= sY \left(1 - \frac{Y}{\gamma X}\right).\end{aligned}\tag{1}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{dS}{dt} &= \alpha N(1 - \nu) - \mu S - \beta \frac{I}{N} S, \\ \frac{dI}{dt} &= \beta \frac{I}{N} S - (\mu + \gamma) I, \\ \frac{dR}{dt} &= (\gamma - \mu) R, \\ \frac{dV}{dt} &= \alpha N \nu - \mu V.\end{aligned}\tag{2}$$