

# The Ecological Effects of Trait Variation in a $u$ -Predator, $v$ -Prey System (draft)

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## 0 The Model

Let  $M_i(t)$  be the density of the  $i^{\text{th}}$  predator species, and let  $N_j(t)$  be the density of the  $j^{\text{th}}$  prey species. Let  $\overline{m}_i(t)$  be the mean of a single quantitative trait in the  $i^{\text{th}}$  predator species, and let  $\overline{n}_j(t)$  be the mean of a single quantitative trait in the  $j^{\text{th}}$  prey species. Suppose the traits are normally distributed, with  $\sigma_i^2$  as the constant variance of the  $i^{\text{th}}$  predator species, and with  $\beta_j^2$  as the constant variance of the  $j^{\text{th}}$  prey species.

$$p(m_i, \overline{m}_i) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma_i^2}} \exp \left[ -\frac{(m_i - \overline{m}_i)^2}{2\sigma_i^2} \right]$$

$$p(n_j, \overline{n}_j) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\beta_j^2}} \exp \left[ -\frac{(n_j - \overline{n}_j)^2}{2\beta_j^2} \right]$$

All of the species' phenotypic variances have a genetic and environment component,

$$\sigma_i^2 = \sigma_{Gi}^2 + \sigma_{Ei}^2$$

$$\beta_j^2 = \beta_{Gj}^2 + \beta_{Ej}^2$$

Let  $a_{ij}(m_i, n_j)$  be the attack rate of an individual predator from species  $i$  on an individual prey from species  $j$ . Supposing the attack rate is optimal at  $\alpha_{ij}$  when the predator's trait and prey's trait are at an optimal difference  $\theta_{ij}$ , and decreases in a Gaussian manner as the trait's diverge from that difference, then

$$a_{ij}(m_i, n_j) = \alpha_{ij} \exp \left[ -\frac{(m_i - n_j - \theta_{ij})^2}{2\tau_{ij}^2} \right]$$

where  $\tau_{ij}$  determines how phenotypically specialized a predator individual of species  $i$  must be to use a prey individual of species  $j$ . Let  $\overline{a}_{ij}(\overline{m}_i, \overline{n}_j)$  be the mean attack rate of predator species  $i$  on prey species  $j$ . Thus,

$$\begin{aligned} \overline{a}_{ij}(\overline{m}_i, \overline{n}_j) &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} a_{ij}(m_i, n_j) \cdot p(m_i, \overline{m}_i) \cdot p(n_j, \overline{n}_j) dm_i dn_j \\ &= \frac{\alpha_{ij} \tau_{ij}}{\sqrt{\sigma_i^2 + \beta_j^2 + \tau_{ij}^2}} \exp \left[ -\frac{(\overline{m}_i - \overline{n}_j - \theta_{ij})^2}{2(\sigma_i^2 + \beta_j^2 + \tau_{ij}^2)} \right] \end{aligned}$$

Let  $u$  be the number of predator species, and let  $v$  be the number of prey species. If predators have a linear functional response, convert the consumed prey into offspring with efficiencies  $e_{ij}$ ,

and experience a per-capita mortality rate  $d_i$ , then the fitness of a predator with phenotype  $m_i$  is

$$W_i(m_i, [N]_1^v, [n]_1^v) = \sum_{j=1}^v (e_{ij} a_{ij}(m_i, n_j) N_j) - d_i$$

and thus the mean fitness of the  $i^{\text{th}}$  predator population is

$$\begin{aligned} \overline{W}_i(\overline{m}_i, [N]_1^v, [\overline{n}]_1^v) &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} W_i(m_i, [N]_1^v, [n]_1^v) p(m_i, \overline{m}_i) p(n_j, \overline{n}_j) dm_i dn_j \\ &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \left( \sum_{j=1}^v (e_{ij} a_{ij}(m_i, n_j) N_j) - d_i \right) p(m_i, \overline{m}_i) p(n_j, \overline{n}_j) dm_i dn_j \\ &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \sum_{j=1}^v e_{ij} a_{ij}(m_i, n_j) N_j p(m_i, \overline{m}_i) p(n_j, \overline{n}_j) dm_i dn_j \\ &\quad - \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} d_i p(m_i, \overline{m}_i) p(n_j, \overline{n}_j) dm_i dn_j \\ &= \sum_{j=1}^v (e_{ij} \overline{a}_{ij}(\overline{m}_i, \overline{n}_j) N_j) - d_i \end{aligned}$$

In the absence of the predators, each prey experience logistic growth with intrinsic growth rates  $r_j$  and carrying capacities  $K_j$ . Thus the fitness of a prey with phenotype  $n_j$  is

$$Y_j(N_j, n_j, [M]_1^u, [m]_1^u) = r_j \left( 1 - \frac{N_j}{K_j} \right) - \sum_{i=1}^u (a_{ij}(m_i, n_j) M_i)$$

and thus the mean fitness of the  $j^{\text{th}}$  prey population is

$$\begin{aligned} \overline{Y}_j(N_j, \overline{n}_j, [M]_1^u, [\overline{m}]_1^u) &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} Y_j(N_j, n_j, [M]_1^u, [m]_1^u) p(m_i, \overline{m}_i) p(n_j, \overline{n}_j) dm_i dn_j \\ &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \left( r_j \left( 1 - \frac{N_j}{K_j} \right) - \sum_{i=1}^u (a_{ij}(m_i, n_j) M_i) \right) p(m_i, \overline{m}_i) p(n_j, \overline{n}_j) dm_i dn_j \\ &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} r_j \left( 1 - \frac{N_j}{K_j} \right) p(m_i, \overline{m}_i) p(n_j, \overline{n}_j) dm_i dn_j \\ &\quad - \sum_{i=1}^u M_i \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} a_{ij}(m_i, n_j) p(m_i, \overline{m}_i) p(n_j, \overline{n}_j) dm_i dn_j \\ &= r_j \left( 1 - \frac{N_j}{K_j} \right) - \sum_{i=1}^u \overline{a}_{ij}(\overline{m}_i, \overline{n}_j) M_i \end{aligned}$$

So the ecological dynamics of the model (population densities) are given by

$$\begin{cases} \frac{dM_i}{dt} &= M_i \overline{W}_i(\overline{m}_i, [N]_1^v, [\overline{n}]_1^v) \\ \frac{dN_j}{dt} &= N_j \overline{Y}_j(N_j, \overline{n}_j, [M]_1^u, [\overline{m}]_1^u) \end{cases} \quad (1)$$

We assume the distribution of phenotypes remains Gaussian. Thus the evolutionary dynamics are given by

$$\begin{cases} \frac{d\bar{m}_i}{dt} &= \sigma_{Gi}^2 \frac{\partial \bar{W}_i}{\partial \bar{m}_i} \\ \frac{d\bar{n}_j}{dt} &= \beta_{Gj}^2 \frac{\partial \bar{Y}_j}{\partial \bar{n}_j} \end{cases} \quad (2)$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial \bar{W}_i}{\partial \bar{m}_i} &= \sum_{j=1}^v \frac{e_{ij} \alpha_{ij} \tau_{ij} N_j (\theta_{ij} + \bar{n}_j - \bar{m}_i)}{(\sigma_i^2 + \beta_j^2 + \tau_{ij}^2)^{3/2}} \exp \left[ -\frac{(\bar{m}_i - \bar{n}_j - \theta_{ij})^2}{2(\sigma_i^2 + \beta_j^2 + \tau_{ij}^2)} \right], \quad \text{and} \\ \frac{\partial \bar{Y}_j}{\partial \bar{n}_j} &= \sum_{i=1}^u \frac{\alpha_{ij} \tau_{ij} M_i (\theta_{ij} + \bar{n}_j - \bar{m}_i)}{(\sigma_i^2 + \beta_j^2 + \tau_{ij}^2)^{3/2}} \exp \left[ -\frac{(\bar{m}_i - \bar{n}_j - \theta_{ij})^2}{2(\sigma_i^2 + \beta_j^2 + \tau_{ij}^2)} \right] \end{aligned}$$

## 1 Case 1: $u = 1, v = 1$

### 1.1 Equilibria Analysis

Assuming there is only one predator species and one prey species, all subscripts are dropped, and the  $(4uv)$ -dimensional system becomes a 4 dimensional system:

$$\begin{cases} f_1 = \frac{dM}{dt} &= M\bar{W}(\bar{m}, N, \bar{n}) \\ f_2 = \frac{dN}{dt} &= N\bar{Y}(N, \bar{n}, M, \bar{m}) \\ f_3 = \frac{d\bar{m}}{dt} &= \sigma_G^2 \frac{\partial \bar{W}}{\partial \bar{m}} \\ f_4 = \frac{d\bar{n}}{dt} &= \beta_G^2 \frac{\partial \bar{Y}}{\partial \bar{n}} \end{cases} \quad (3)$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} \bar{W}(\bar{m}, N, \bar{n}) &= e\bar{a}(\bar{m}, \bar{n})N - d \\ \bar{Y}(N, \bar{n}, M, \bar{m}) &= r \left( 1 - \frac{N}{K} \right) - \bar{a}(\bar{m}, \bar{n})M \\ \frac{\partial \bar{W}}{\partial \bar{m}} &= \frac{e\alpha\tau N(\theta + \bar{n} - \bar{m})}{(\sigma^2 + \beta^2 + \tau^2)^{3/2}} \exp \left[ -\frac{(\bar{m} - \bar{n} - \theta)^2}{2(\sigma^2 + \beta^2 + \tau^2)} \right] \\ \frac{\partial \bar{Y}}{\partial \bar{n}} &= \frac{\alpha\tau M(\theta + \bar{n} - \bar{m})}{(\sigma^2 + \beta^2 + \tau^2)^{3/2}} \exp \left[ -\frac{(\bar{m} - \bar{n} - \theta)^2}{2(\sigma^2 + \beta^2 + \tau^2)} \right] \end{aligned}$$

$$f_3 = 0 \implies \bar{m} - \bar{n} = \theta \text{ or } N = 0 \quad (4)$$

$$f_4 = 0 \implies \bar{m} - \bar{n} = \theta \text{ or } M = 0 \quad (5)$$

$$f_1 = 0 \implies M = 0 \text{ or } N = \frac{d\sqrt{\sigma^2 + \beta^2 + \tau^2}}{e\alpha\tau} \exp \left[ \frac{(\bar{m} - \bar{n} - \theta)^2}{2(\sigma^2 + \beta^2 + \tau^2)} \right] \quad (6)$$

$$f_2 = 0 \implies N = 0 \text{ or } M = \frac{r\sqrt{\sigma^2 + \beta^2 + \tau^2}}{\alpha\tau} \left( 1 - \frac{N}{K} \right) \exp \left[ \frac{(\bar{m} - \bar{n} - \theta)^2}{2(\sigma^2 + \beta^2 + \tau^2)} \right] \quad (7)$$

Clearly,  $M = N = 0$  satisfies the equilibrium conditions. (7) is satisfied by  $N = 0$ , which, by (6), implies  $M = 0$ . This is intuitive because the predator can only survive if there is prey.

On the other hand, (6) is satisfied by  $M = 0$ , which, by (7), implies either  $N = 0$  or  $N = K$ . This is intuitive because the prey can reach equilibrium at its carrying capacity.

For coexistence equilibria (represented by  $M^*$  and  $N^*$ ), let  $\bar{m} - \bar{n} = \theta$ . Then

$$\begin{cases} N^* = \frac{d\sqrt{\sigma^2 + \beta^2 + \tau^2}}{e\alpha\tau} \\ M^* = \frac{r\sqrt{\sigma^2 + \beta^2 + \tau^2}}{\alpha\tau} \left( 1 - \frac{N^*}{K} \right) \end{cases}$$

Thus coexistence equilibria can be reached with the above values of  $N^*$  and  $M^*$  and any values  $\bar{m}$  and  $\bar{n}$  so long as  $\bar{m} - \bar{n} = \theta$ .

## 1.2 Stability Analysis

For local stability around the various equilibria  $E^* = (M^*, N^*, \bar{m}^*, \bar{n}^*)$ , we find the Jacobian matrix:

$$J^* = J|_{E^*} = \begin{pmatrix} \left. \frac{\partial f_1}{\partial M} \right|_{E^*} & \left. \frac{\partial f_1}{\partial N} \right|_{E^*} & \left. \frac{\partial f_1}{\partial \bar{m}} \right|_{E^*} & \left. \frac{\partial f_1}{\partial \bar{n}} \right|_{E^*} \\ \left. \frac{\partial f_2}{\partial M} \right|_{E^*} & \left. \frac{\partial f_2}{\partial N} \right|_{E^*} & \left. \frac{\partial f_2}{\partial \bar{m}} \right|_{E^*} & \left. \frac{\partial f_2}{\partial \bar{n}} \right|_{E^*} \\ \left. \frac{\partial f_3}{\partial M} \right|_{E^*} & \left. \frac{\partial f_3}{\partial N} \right|_{E^*} & \left. \frac{\partial f_3}{\partial \bar{m}} \right|_{E^*} & \left. \frac{\partial f_3}{\partial \bar{n}} \right|_{E^*} \\ \left. \frac{\partial f_4}{\partial M} \right|_{E^*} & \left. \frac{\partial f_4}{\partial N} \right|_{E^*} & \left. \frac{\partial f_4}{\partial \bar{m}} \right|_{E^*} & \left. \frac{\partial f_4}{\partial \bar{n}} \right|_{E^*} \end{pmatrix}$$

The conditions for stability of  $E^*$  are equivalent to the conditions by which all roots of the characteristic polynomial of  $J^*$  have non-positive real parts (i.e. the Routh-Hurwitz criterion). First, we must calculate the partial derivatives.

$$\begin{aligned}
\frac{\partial f_1}{\partial M} &= \bar{W}(\bar{m}, N, \bar{n}) \\
\frac{\partial f_1}{\partial N} &= e\bar{a}(\bar{m}, \bar{n}) \cdot M \\
\frac{\partial f_1}{\partial \bar{m}} &= \frac{e\bar{a}(\bar{m}, \bar{n})}{\sigma^2 + \beta^2 + \tau^2} \cdot M \cdot N \cdot (\theta + \bar{n} - \bar{m}) \\
\frac{\partial f_1}{\partial \bar{n}} &= \frac{e\bar{a}(\bar{m}, \bar{n})}{\sigma^2 + \beta^2 + \tau^2} \cdot M \cdot N \cdot (\bar{m} - \bar{n} - \theta)
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\frac{\partial f_2}{\partial M} &= -\bar{a}(\bar{m}, \bar{n}) \cdot N \\
\frac{\partial f_2}{\partial N} &= \bar{Y}(N, \bar{n}, M, \bar{m}) - \frac{Nr}{K} \\
\frac{\partial f_2}{\partial \bar{m}} &= \frac{\bar{a}(\bar{m}, \bar{n})}{\sigma^2 + \beta^2 + \tau^2} \cdot M \cdot N \cdot (\bar{m} - \bar{n} - \theta) \\
\frac{\partial f_2}{\partial \bar{n}} &= \frac{\bar{a}(\bar{m}, \bar{n})}{\sigma^2 + \beta^2 + \tau^2} \cdot M \cdot N \cdot (\theta + \bar{n} - \bar{m})
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\frac{\partial f_3}{\partial M} &= 0 \\
\frac{\partial f_3}{\partial N} &= \frac{\sigma_G^2 e\bar{a}(\bar{m}, \bar{n})}{\sigma^2 + \beta^2 + \tau^2} \cdot (\theta + \bar{n} - \bar{m}) \\
\frac{\partial f_3}{\partial \bar{m}} &= \frac{\sigma_G^2 e\bar{a}(\bar{m}, \bar{n})}{\sigma^2 + \beta^2 + \tau^2} \cdot N \left( \frac{(\bar{m} - \bar{n} - \theta)^2}{\sigma^2 + \beta^2 + \tau^2} - 1 \right) \\
\frac{\partial f_3}{\partial \bar{n}} &= \frac{\sigma_G^2 e\bar{a}(\bar{m}, \bar{n})}{\sigma^2 + \beta^2 + \tau^2} \cdot N \left( 1 - \frac{(\bar{m} - \bar{n} - \theta)^2}{\sigma^2 + \beta^2 + \tau^2} \right)
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\frac{\partial f_4}{\partial M} &= \frac{\beta_G^2 \bar{a}(\bar{m}, \bar{n})}{\sigma^2 + \beta^2 + \tau^2} \cdot (\bar{n} - \bar{m}) \\
\frac{\partial f_4}{\partial N} &= 0 \\
\frac{\partial f_4}{\partial \bar{m}} &= \frac{\beta_G^2 \bar{a}(\bar{m}, \bar{n})}{\sigma^2 + \beta^2 + \tau^2} \cdot M \left( \frac{(\bar{m} - \bar{n} - \theta)^2}{\sigma^2 + \beta^2 + \tau^2} - 1 \right) \\
\frac{\partial f_4}{\partial \bar{n}} &= \frac{\beta_G^2 \bar{a}(\bar{m}, \bar{n})}{\sigma^2 + \beta^2 + \tau^2} \cdot M \left( 1 - \frac{(\bar{m} - \bar{n} - \theta)^2}{\sigma^2 + \beta^2 + \tau^2} \right)
\end{aligned}$$

### 1.2.1 Special Case: $M^* = N^* = 0$

$E^* = (0, 0, \bar{m}^*, \bar{n}^*)$  where  $\bar{m}^*$  and  $\bar{n}^*$  are arbitrary values. Then

$$J^* = J|_{E^*} = \begin{pmatrix} -d & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & r & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{\sigma_G^2 e \bar{a}(\bar{m}^*, \bar{n}^*)}{\sigma^2 + \beta^2 + \tau^2} \cdot (\theta + \bar{n}^* - \bar{m}^*) & 0 & 0 \\ \frac{\beta_G^2 \bar{a}(\bar{m}^*, \bar{n}^*)}{\sigma^2 + \beta^2 + \tau^2} \cdot (\theta + \bar{n}^* - \bar{m}^*) & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

Since  $J^*$  is a lower-triangular matrix, its eigenvalues are its diagonal entries:  $-d$ ,  $r$ ,  $0$ , and  $0$ . Since  $r$  is positive, this equilibrium is locally unstable.

### 1.2.2 Special Case: $M^* = 0$ , $N^* = K$

$E^* = (0, K, \bar{m}^*, \bar{n}^*)$  where  $\bar{m}^*$  and  $\bar{n}^*$  are arbitrary values. Then

$$J^* = J|_{E^*} = \begin{pmatrix} e \bar{a}(\bar{m}^*, \bar{n}^*) K - d & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -r & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & j_{32} & j_{33} & j_{34} \\ j_{41} & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} j_{32} &= \frac{\sigma_G^2 e \bar{a}(\bar{m}^*, \bar{n}^*)}{\sigma^2 + \beta^2 + \tau^2} \cdot (\theta + \bar{n}^* - \bar{m}^*) \\ j_{33} &= \frac{\sigma_G^2 e \bar{a}(\bar{m}^*, \bar{n}^*)}{\sigma^2 + \beta^2 + \tau^2} \cdot K \left( \frac{(\bar{m}^* - \bar{n}^* - \theta)^2}{\sigma^2 + \beta^2 + \tau^2} - 1 \right) \\ j_{34} &= \frac{\sigma_G^2 e \bar{a}(\bar{m}^*, \bar{n}^*)}{\sigma^2 + \beta^2 + \tau^2} \cdot K \left( 1 - \frac{(\bar{m}^* - \bar{n}^* - \theta)^2}{\sigma^2 + \beta^2 + \tau^2} \right) \\ j_{41} &= \frac{\beta_G^2 \bar{a}(\bar{m}^*, \bar{n}^*)}{\sigma^2 + \beta^2 + \tau^2} \cdot (\theta + \bar{n}^* - \bar{m}^*) \end{aligned}$$

By reordering the variables  $E^{**} = (M^*, N^*, \bar{n}^*, \bar{m}^*)$ , we can force  $J^*$  to be a lower-triangular matrix, and hence it's eigenvalues are its diagonal entries:

$$J^{**} = J|_{E^{**}} = \begin{pmatrix} e \bar{a}(\bar{m}^*, \bar{n}^*) K - d & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -r & 0 & 0 \\ j_{41} & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & j_{32} & j_{34} & j_{33} \end{pmatrix}$$

Thus the eigenvalues are  $e\bar{a}(\bar{m}, \bar{n})K - d$ ,  $-r$ ,  $0$ , and  $j_{33}$ . Thus  $E^*$  is stable if the following hold:

$$d > e\bar{a}(\bar{m}^*, \bar{n}^*)K, \quad \text{and} \\ (\bar{m}^* - \bar{n}^* - \theta)^2 < \sigma^2 + \beta^2 + \tau^2$$

$E^*$  is unstable if either of the above fails.

### 1.2.3 Special Case:

$$M^* = \frac{r\sqrt{\sigma^2 + \beta^2 + \tau^2}}{\alpha\tau} \left(1 - \frac{N^*}{K}\right), \quad N^* = \frac{d\sqrt{\sigma^2 + \beta^2 + \tau^2}}{e\alpha\tau}, \quad \bar{m}^* = \bar{n}^* = \mu^*$$

$E^* = (M^*, N^*, \mu^*, \mu^*)$  where  $\mu^*$  is an arbitrary value. Then

$$J^* = J|_{E^*} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & er\left(1 - \frac{N^*}{K}\right) & 0 & 0 \\ -\frac{d}{e} & -\frac{rN^*}{K} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -\frac{d\sigma_G^2}{\sigma^2 + \beta^2 + \tau^2} & \frac{d\sigma_G^2}{\sigma^2 + \beta^2 + \tau^2} \\ 0 & 0 & -\frac{r\beta_G^2\left(1 - \frac{N^*}{K}\right)}{\sigma^2 + \beta^2 + \tau^2} & \frac{r\beta_G^2\left(1 - \frac{N^*}{K}\right)}{\sigma^2 + \beta^2 + \tau^2} \end{pmatrix}$$

The characteristic polynomial is

$$P(\lambda) = |\lambda I - J^*| = \begin{vmatrix} \lambda & -er\left(1 - \frac{N^*}{K}\right) & 0 & 0 \\ \frac{d}{e} & \lambda + \frac{rN^*}{K} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \lambda + \frac{d\sigma_G^2}{\sigma^2 + \beta^2 + \tau^2} & -\frac{d\sigma_G^2}{\sigma^2 + \beta^2 + \tau^2} \\ 0 & 0 & \frac{r\beta_G^2\left(1 - \frac{N^*}{K}\right)}{\sigma^2 + \beta^2 + \tau^2} & \lambda - \frac{r\beta_G^2\left(1 - \frac{N^*}{K}\right)}{\sigma^2 + \beta^2 + \tau^2} \end{vmatrix}$$

Thus,

$$P(\lambda) = \begin{vmatrix} \lambda & -er\left(1 - \frac{N^*}{K}\right) \\ \frac{d}{e} & \lambda + \frac{rN^*}{K} \end{vmatrix} \cdot \begin{vmatrix} \lambda + \frac{d\sigma_G^2}{\sigma^2 + \beta^2 + \tau^2} & -\frac{d\sigma_G^2}{\sigma^2 + \beta^2 + \tau^2} \\ \frac{r\beta_G^2\left(1 - \frac{N^*}{K}\right)}{\sigma^2 + \beta^2 + \tau^2} & \lambda - \frac{r\beta_G^2\left(1 - \frac{N^*}{K}\right)}{\sigma^2 + \beta^2 + \tau^2} \end{vmatrix} \\ = P_1(\lambda) \cdot P_2(\lambda)$$

Thus the zeros of  $P(\lambda)$  are the zeros of both  $P_1(\lambda)$  and  $P_2(\lambda)$ .

$$\begin{aligned} P_1(\lambda) &= \lambda^2 + \frac{rN^*}{K}\lambda + rd\left(1 - \frac{N^*}{K}\right) = 0 \\ \Rightarrow \lambda_{1,2} &= \frac{1}{2} \left[ -\frac{rN^*}{K} \pm \sqrt{\Delta} \right] \end{aligned}$$

Where  $\Delta = \left(\frac{rN^*}{K}\right)^2 - 4rd\left(1 - \frac{N^*}{K}\right)$ . Since  $N^* < K$ ,  $\sqrt{\Delta} < \left|\frac{rN^*}{K}\right|$ . Thus  $\text{Re}(\lambda_{1,2}) < 0$ .

$$\begin{aligned} P_2(\lambda) &= \lambda^2 + \left( \frac{d\sigma_G^2 - r\beta^2\left(1 - \frac{N^*}{K}\right)}{\sigma^2 + \beta^2 + \tau^2} \right) \lambda + \left( \frac{rd\sigma_G^2\beta_G^2\left(1 - \frac{N^*}{K}\right)}{(\sigma^2 + \beta^2 + \tau^2)^2} \right) = 0 \\ \Rightarrow \lambda_{3,4} &= \frac{1}{2} \left[ - \left( \frac{d\sigma_G^2 - r\beta^2\left(1 - \frac{N^*}{K}\right)}{\sigma^2 + \beta^2 + \tau^2} \right) \pm \sqrt{\Delta} \right] \end{aligned}$$

Where

$$\Delta = \left( \frac{d\sigma_G^2 - r\beta^2\left(1 - \frac{N^*}{K}\right)}{\sigma^2 + \beta^2 + \tau^2} \right)^2 - \left( \frac{4rd\sigma_G^2\beta_G^2\left(1 - \frac{N^*}{K}\right)}{(\sigma^2 + \beta^2 + \tau^2)^2} \right)$$

Again, since  $N^* < K$ ,  $\sqrt{\Delta} < \left| \left( \frac{d\sigma_G^2 - r\beta^2\left(1 - \frac{N^*}{K}\right)}{\sigma^2 + \beta^2 + \tau^2} \right) \right|$ . Thus  $\text{Re}(\lambda_{3,4}) < 0 \iff d\sigma_G^2 >$

$r\beta_G^2\left(1 - \frac{N^*}{K}\right)$ . So the coexistence equilibrium is stable if

$$d\sigma_G^2 > r\beta_G^2\left(1 - \frac{N^*}{K}\right)$$