

# report-simulations-figures

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## 1 Report Simulations and Figures

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[1]: ### PACKAGES ###  
import math, matplotlib, random  
import numpy as np  
from scipy.stats import norm  
import statistics as stats  
import pandas as pd  
import seaborn as sns  
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt  
from IPython.display import display
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## 2 Severity Model ( $z$ )

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[2]: ### LISTS TO STORE DICTIONARIES ###  
pm = []          # All parameters  
best_pm = []     # Best parameters for each p value  
  
### PARAMETERS ###  
Smean=0; Svar=1; Sstd=math.sqrt(Svar)      # Safe environment  
Imean=1.5; Ivar=1; Istd=math.sqrt(Ivar)    # Infected environment  
delta=0.05                                # Background mortality (delta)  
  
# Probability that the environment is infected (p)  
p_range=np.arange(0.1, 1, 0.1).tolist()  
p_list=[round(p, 2) for p in p_range]  
  
# Threshold range (within three standard deviations to get 99.73% of all  
↪ values)  
Slower = Smean - (3 * Sstd)  
Iupper = Imean + (3 * Istd)  
threshold_range=np.arange(Slower, Iupper+0.01, 0.01).tolist()  
thresholds=[round(t, 2) for t in threshold_range]  
  
# Probability that the situation is severe
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z_range=np.arange(0, 1.2, 0.2).tolist()
z_list=[round(z, 2) for z in z_range]

### SIMULATION ##
iteration = -1 # Row index counter

### ITERATION OVER EVERY SEVERITY PROBABILITY (z) ###
for z in z_list:

    ### ITERATION OVER EVERY PROBABILITY OF THE ENVIRONMENT BEING INFECTED (p)
    ↪###
    for p in p_list:
        theta_max = best_threshold = 0
        bp = {'index' : iteration, 'z' : z, 'p' : p, 'theta_max' : theta_max,
        ↪'threshold' : best_threshold}

        ### ITERATING OVER EVERY THRESHOLD ###
        for threshold in thresholds:
            iteration = iteration + 1

            ### PROBABILITY AREAS ###
            # Calculate z-score for each environment distribution
            Sz = stats.NormalDist(Smean, Sstd).zscore(threshold)
            Iz = stats.NormalDist(Imean, Istd).zscore(threshold)

            # Calculate probability from z-score based on threshold
            Sprob = norm.cdf(Sz)
            Iprob = norm.cdf(Iz)

            # Calculate the specific area of the distributions scaled to the
            ↪probability of the environment being infected (p)
            p_iw = Iprob * p
            p_ih = (1 - Iprob) * p
            p_sh = (1 - Sprob) * (1 - p)
            p_sw = Sprob * (1 - p)

            ### SHORT-TERM PARAMETERS ###
            a = (1-delta) * ((p_iw * (1-z)) + (p_ih * z) + (p_sh * z)) #
            ↪Probability of losing a reserve
            b = (1-delta) * p_sw # Probability
            ↪of gaining a reserve
            c = (1-delta) * ((p_ih * (1-z)) + (p_sh * (1-z))) #
            ↪Probability of remaining at the same reserve level
            death = 1 - a - b - c # Probability
            ↪of death while trying to gain a reserve

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    ### LONG-TERM PROBABILITY (theta) ###
    # Parameters for quadratic formula
    qf_a = float(a)
    qf_b = float(c - 1)
    qf_c = float(b)

    # Calculate theta
    theta = (-(qf_b) - math.sqrt((pow(qf_b, 2) - (4 * qf_a * qf_c)))) / (
↪ 2 * qf_a)

    ### DICTIONARY OF PARAMETERS ###
    pm.append(
        {
            'p' : p,
            'z' : z,
            'threshold' : threshold,
            'a' : a, 'b' : b, 'c' : c,          # Short-term probability
            'theta' : theta,                    # Long-term probability
            'd' : death,                        # Residual death
        }
    )

    # Identifying the threshold associated with the largest long-term
↪ probability of gaining a reserve (theta)
    if theta > bp['theta_max']:
        bp['index'] = iteration
        bp['z'] = z
        bp['p'] = p
        bp['theta_max'] = theta
        bp['threshold'] = threshold

    ### SAVE THE BEST PARAMETERS FOR EVERY p ###
    best_pm.append(bp)

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## 2.1 DataFrames

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[3]: df_pm = pd.DataFrame(pm)
     df_best_pm = pd.DataFrame(best_pm)

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## 2.2 Figure 4: Severity probability

(A) Largest long-term probability of eventually gaining a reserve unit ( $\theta_{max}$ ) across increasing probabilities of environmental infection ( $p$ ) hued by six unique severity parameters ( $z$ ).

(B) Optimal threshold ( $x_T$ ) across increasing probabilities of environmental infection ( $p$ ) hued by six unique severity parameters ( $z$ ).

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[4]: fig, axes = plt.subplots(1, 2, figsize=(10, 5.5))
sns.set_theme(style='white', rc={'axes.titlesize': 11, 'axes.labelsize': 10,
    ↪ 'xtick.labelsize': 9, 'ytick.labelsize': 9})

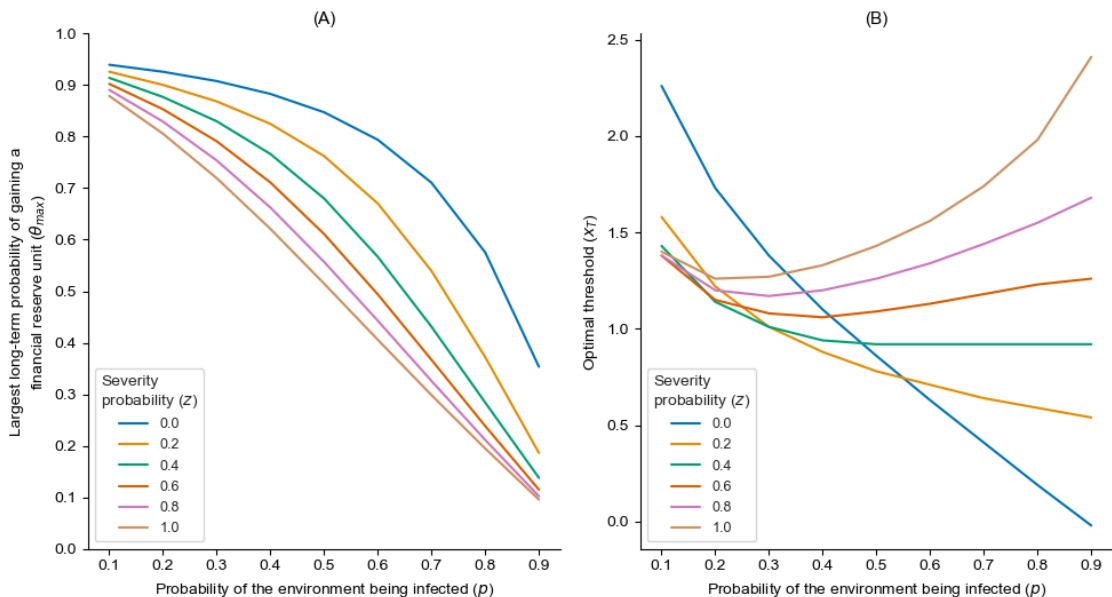
sns.lineplot(data=df_best_pm, x='p', y='theta_max', hue='z',
    ↪ palette='colorblind', ax=axes[0])
).set(ylabel='Largest long-term probability of gaining a\nfinancial reserve
    ↪ unit ($\\theta_{max}$)', yticks=np.arange(0, 1.1, 0.1), title='(A)')

sns.lineplot(data=df_best_pm, x='p', y='threshold', hue='z',
    ↪ palette='colorblind', ax=axes[1])
).set(ylabel='Optimal threshold ($x_T$)', title='(B)')

### CUSTOMISATIONS ###
for ax in axes:
    ax.set_xlabel('Probability of the environment being infected ($p$)')
    ax.legend(title='Severity\nprobability ($z$)', fontsize=9,
    ↪ title_fontsize=10)

    # Hide spines
    for spine in ['right', 'top']:
        ax.spines[spine].set_visible(False)

plt.tight_layout()
plt.subplots_adjust(hspace=0.3)
plt.show()
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### 3 Extended Severity Model ( $u, \lambda$ )

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[5]: ### LISTS TO STORE DICTIONARIES ###
pm = []          # List to store dictionaries of each parameter
best_pm = []     # List to store best parameters for every p value

### PARAMETERS ###
Smean=0; Svar=1; Sstd=math.sqrt(Svar)      # Safe environment
Imean=1.5; Ivar=1; Istd=math.sqrt(Ivar)     # Infected environment
delta=0.05                                # Background mortality (delta)
l = 0.85                                  # Probability of survival given
    ↪ environment is infected (lambda)
u = 0.01                                  # Unlucky probability (u)

# Probability that the environment is infected (p)
p_range=np.arange(0.1, 1, 0.1).tolist()
p_list=[round(p, 2) for p in p_range]

# Threshold Range (within three standard deviations to get 99.73% of all
    ↪ values)
Slower = Smean - (3 * Sstd)
Iupper = Imean + (3 * Istd)
threshold_range=np.arange(Slower, Iupper+0.01, 0.01).tolist()
thresholds=[round(t, 2) for t in threshold_range]

iteration = -1 # Row index counter

### ITERATION OVER EVERY PROBABILITY OF THE ENVIRONMENT BEING INFECTED (p) ###
for p in p_list:
    theta_max = best_threshold = 0
    bp = {'index' : iteration, 'p' : p, 'theta_max' : theta_max, 'threshold' :
    ↪ best_threshold}

    ### ITERATING OVER EVERY THRESHOLD ###
    for threshold in thresholds:
        iteration = iteration + 1

        ### PROBABILITY AREAS ###
        # Calculate z-score for each environment distribution
        Sz = stats.NormalDist(Smean, Sstd).zscore(threshold)
        Iz = stats.NormalDist(Imean, Istd).zscore(threshold)

        # Calculate probability from z-score based on threshold
        Sprob = norm.cdf(Sz)
        Iprob = norm.cdf(Iz)
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    # Calculate the specific area of the distributions scaled to the
    ↪probability of the environment being infected
    p_iw = Iprob * p
    p_ih = (1 - Iprob) * p
    p_sh = (1 - Sprob) * (1 - p)
    p_sw = Sprob * (1 - p)

    ### SHORT-TERM PARAMETERS ###
    a = (1-delta) * ((p_iw * l) + (p_ih * u * l))      # Probability of
    ↪losing a reserve
    b = (1-delta) * p_sw                               # Probability of
    ↪gaining a reserve
    c = (1-delta) * (p_sh + (p_ih * (1 - u)))          # Probability of
    ↪remaining at the same reserve level
    death = 1 - a - b - c                             # Probability of
    ↪death while trying to gain a reserve

    ### LONG-TERM PROBABILITY (theta) ###
    # Parameters for quadratic formula
    qf_a = float(a)
    qf_b = float(c - 1)
    qf_c = float(b)

    # Calculate theta
    theta = (-(qf_b) - math.sqrt((pow(qf_b, 2) - (4 * qf_a * qf_c)))) / (2
    ↪* qf_a)

    ### DICTIONARY OF PARAMETERS ###
    pm.append(
        {
            'p' : p,
            'threshold' : threshold,
            'a' : a, 'b' : b, 'c' : c,                 # Short-term probability
            'theta' : theta,                           # Long-term probability
            'd' : death,                               # Residual death
            'p_iw' : p_iw, 'p_ih' : p_ih,
            'p_sw' : p_sw, 'p_sh' : p_sh
        }
    )

    # Identifying the threshold with the largest long-term probability of
    ↪gaining a financial reserve unit (theta)
    if theta > bp['theta_max']:
        bp['index'] = iteration
        bp['p'] = p
        bp['theta_max'] = theta

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        bp['threshold'] = threshold
        bp['a'] = a
        bp['b'] = b
        bp['c'] = c

    ### SAVE THE BEST PARAMETERS FOR EVERY p ###
    best_pm.append(bp)

```

### 3.1 DataFrames

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[6]: parameters=pd.DataFrame(pm).astype({'p' : 'category'})
    best_parameters = pd.DataFrame(best_pm).astype({'p' : 'category'})

[7]: best_parameters.drop('index', axis=1)

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[7]:
   p  theta_max  threshold      a      b      c
0  0.1    0.930016      1.54  0.042054  0.802178  0.098347
1  0.2    0.909819      1.13  0.058485  0.661779  0.219415
2  0.3    0.886015      0.89  0.067399  0.540823  0.329884
3  0.4    0.855887      0.71  0.071905  0.433854  0.431552
4  0.5    0.815586      0.55  0.072411  0.336699  0.528112
5  0.6    0.758721      0.41  0.070969  0.250457  0.616051
6  0.7    0.674023      0.27  0.066844  0.172830  0.698531
7  0.8    0.541499      0.13  0.061041  0.104826  0.773361
8  0.9    0.328984     -0.01  0.054409  0.047121  0.838868

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### 3.2 Figure 5: Extended severity model

(A) Largest long-term probability of eventually gaining a reserve unit ( $\theta_{max}$ ) across increasing probabilities of environmental infection ( $p$ ).

(B) Optimal threshold ( $x_T$ ) across increasing probabilities of environmental infection ( $p$ ).

```

[8]: fig, axes = plt.subplots(1, 2, figsize=(8.5, 3.75))
    sns.set_theme(style='white', rc={'axes.titlesize': 11, 'axes.labelsize': 10,
    ↪ 'xtick.labelsize': 9, 'ytick.labelsize': 9})
    sns.set_palette("colorblind")

    sns.lineplot(data=best_parameters, x='p', y='theta_max', ax=axes[0]
    ).set(ylabel='Largest long-term probability of gaining a\nfinancial reserve_
    ↪ unit ($\\theta_{max}$)', yticks=np.arange(0, 1.1, 0.1), title='(A)')

    sns.lineplot(data=best_parameters, x='p', y='threshold', ax=axes[1]
    ).set(ylabel='Optimal threshold ($x_T$)', title='(B)')

    ### CUSTOMISATIONS ###
    for ax in axes:

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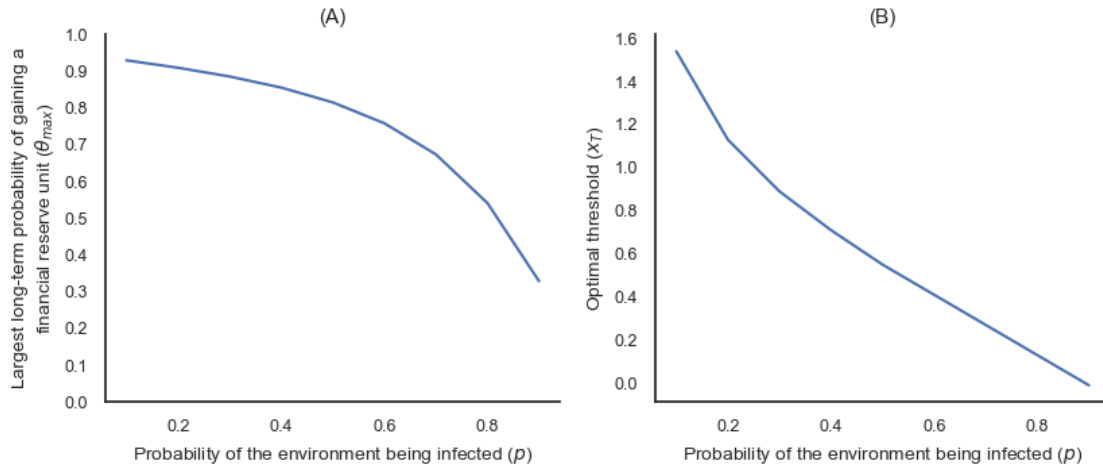
```

ax.set_xlabel('Probability of the environment being infected ($p$)')

# Hide spines
for spine in ['right', 'top']:
    ax.spines[spine].set_visible(False)

plt.tight_layout()
plt.subplots_adjust(hspace=0.5)

```



### 3.3 Figure 6: Thresholds, $\theta_{max}$ across $p$

Relationship between optimal threshold ( $x_T$ ) and the largest long-term probability of eventually gaining a reserve unit ( $\theta_{max}$ ) styled by the probability of the environment being infected ( $p$ )

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[9]: fig, ax = plt.subplots(figsize=(6, 4))
sns.set_theme(style='white', rc={'axes.titlesize': 11, 'axes.labelsize': 10,
    ↪ 'xtick.labelsize': 9, 'ytick.labelsize': 9})
sns.set_palette("colorblind")

sns.lineplot(data=best_parameters, x='threshold', y='theta_max', color='grey',
    ↪ alpha=0.1, ax=ax)
sns.scatterplot(data=best_parameters, x='threshold', y='theta_max', style='p',
    ↪ hue='p', s=75, ax=ax)

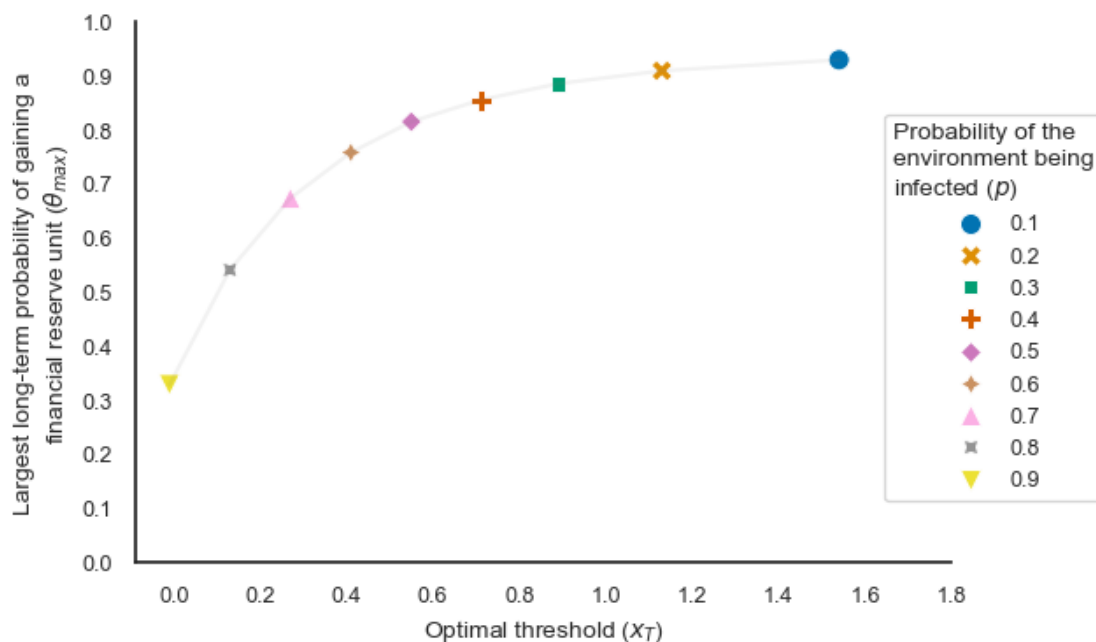
### CUSTOMISATIONS ###
ax.set_xlabel('Optimal threshold ($x_T$)')
ax.set_ylabel('Largest long-term probability of gaining a\nfinancial reserve
    ↪ unit ($\\theta_{max}$)')
ax.set_xticks(np.arange(0, 2, 0.2))
ax.set_yticks(np.arange(0, 1.1, 0.1))

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ax.legend(title='Probability of the environment being infected ($p$)',
         ↪fontsize=9, title_fontsize=10, bbox_to_anchor=(1.2, 0.85))

for spine in ['right', 'top']:
    ax.spines[spine].set_visible(False)
```



### 3.4 Figure 7: Short-term probabilities

Short-term probabilities of gaining a reserve unit (green), losing a reserve unit (red), and no change to reserves (blue) across infection probabilities ( $p$ ).

```
[10]: cb=sns.color_palette('colorblind')
      cb
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```
[10]: [(0.00392156862745098, 0.45098039215686275, 0.6980392156862745),
      (0.8705882352941177, 0.5607843137254902, 0.0196078431372549),
      (0.00784313725490196, 0.6196078431372549, 0.45098039215686275),
      (0.8352941176470589, 0.3686274509803922, 0.0),
      (0.8, 0.47058823529411764, 0.7372549019607844),
      (0.792156862745098, 0.5686274509803921, 0.3803921568627451),
      (0.984313725490196, 0.6862745098039216, 0.8941176470588236),
      (0.5803921568627451, 0.5803921568627451, 0.5803921568627451),
      (0.9254901960784314, 0.8823529411764706, 0.2),
      (0.33725490196078434, 0.7058823529411765, 0.9137254901960784)]
```

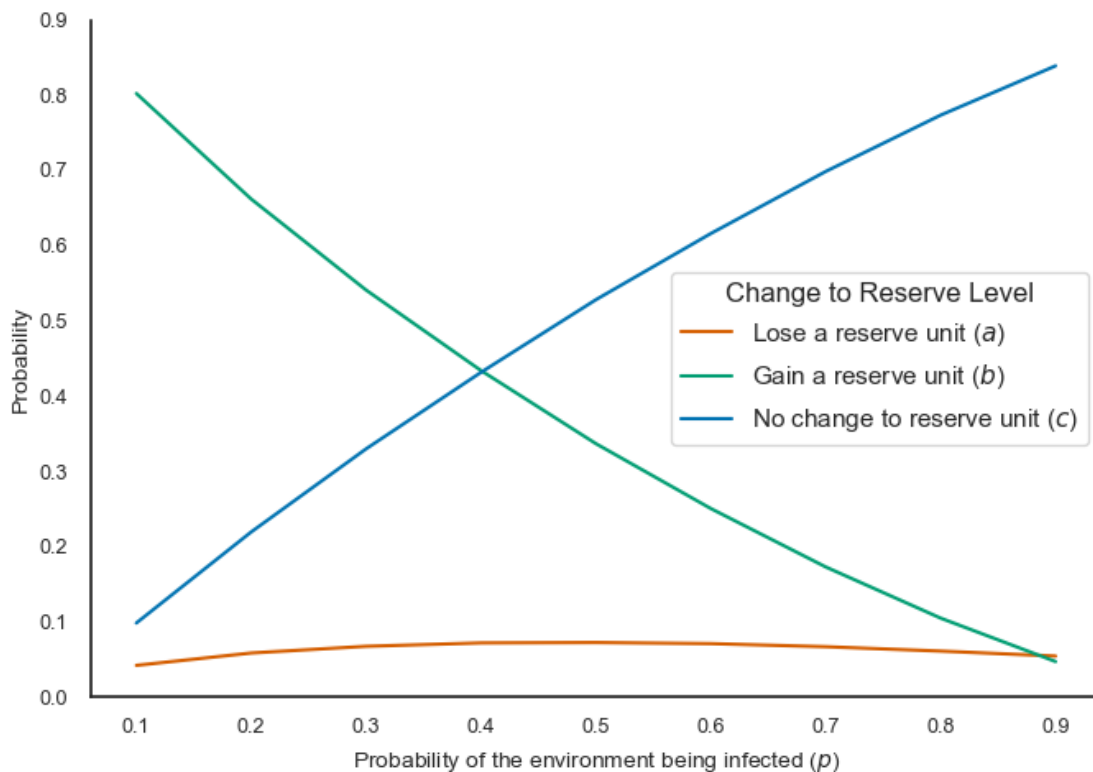
```
[11]: fig, ax = plt.subplots(figsize=(7, 5))
sns.set_theme(style='white', rc={'axes.titlesize': 11, 'axes.labelsize': 10,
    ↳ 'xtick.labelsize': 9, 'ytick.labelsize': 9})
sns.set_palette("colorblind")

sns.lineplot(data=best_parameters, x='p', y='a', color=cb[3], label='Lose a_
    ↳ reserve unit ($a$)', ax=ax)
sns.lineplot(data=best_parameters, x='p', y='b', color=cb[2], label='Gain a_
    ↳ reserve unit ($b$)', ax=ax)
sns.lineplot(data=best_parameters, x='p', y='c', color=cb[0], label='No change_
    ↳ to reserve unit ($c$)', ax=ax)

# Customisations
ax.set_ylabel('Probability')
ax.set_yticks(np.arange(0, 1, 0.1))
ax.legend(title='Change to Reserve Level')
ax.set_xlabel('Probability of the environment being infected ($p$)')

for spine in ['right', 'top']:
    ax.spines[spine].set_visible(False)

plt.tight_layout()
```



### 3.5 Figure 8: Short-term probability of losing a financial reserve unit

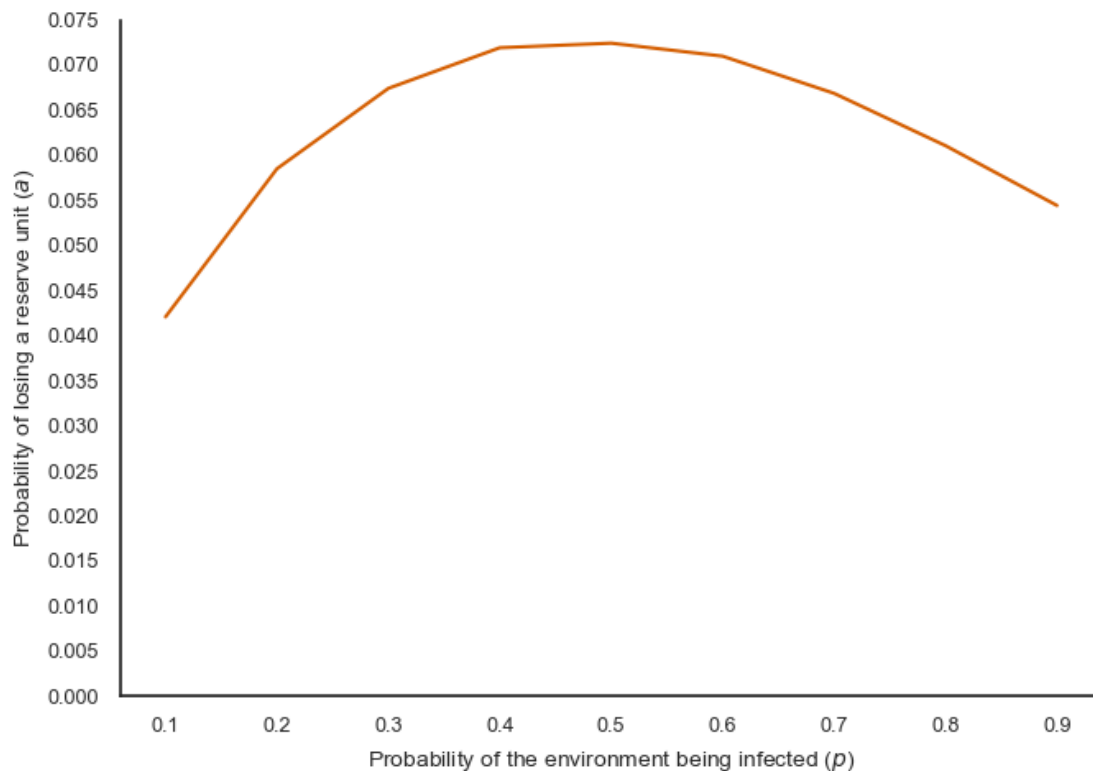
Magnified view of the short-term probability of losing a financial reserve unit (red) across infection probabilities ( $p$ )

```
[12]: fig, ax = plt.subplots(figsize=(7, 5))
sns.set_theme(style='white', rc={'axes.titlesize': 11, 'axes.labelsize': 10,
    ↪ 'xtick.labelsize': 9, 'ytick.labelsize': 9})
sns.set_palette("colorblind")

sns.lineplot(data=best_parameters, x='p', y='a', color=cb[3], ax=ax
).set(xlabel='Probability of the environment being infected ($p$)',
    ↪ ylabel='Probability of losing a reserve unit ($a$)', yticks=np.arange(0, 0.
    ↪ 08, 0.005))

for spine in ['right', 'top']:
    ax.spines[spine].set_visible(False)

plt.tight_layout()
```



### 3.6 Background Mortality

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[13]: ### LISTS TO STORE DICTIONARIES ###
delta_pm = [] # List to store dictionaries of each parameter
delta_best_pm = [] # List to store best parameters for every p value

### PARAMETERS ###
Smean=0; Svar=1; Sstd=math.sqrt(Svar) # Safe environment
Imean=1.5; Ivar=1; Istd=math.sqrt(Ivar) # Infected environment
l = 0.85 # Probability of survival given
    environment is infected
u=0.01 # Unlucky probability

# Background mortality
delta_range=np.arange(0, 0.11, 0.05).tolist()
delta_list=[round(d, 2) for d in delta_range]

# Background probability that the environment is infected
p_range=np.arange(0.1, 1, 0.1).tolist()
p_list=[round(p, 2) for p in p_range]

# Threshold Range (within three standard deviations to get 99.73% of all
    values)
Slower = Smean - (3 * Sstd)
Iupper = Imean + (3 * Istd)
threshold_range=np.arange(Slower, Iupper+0.01, 0.01).tolist()
thresholds=[round(t, 2) for t in threshold_range]

iteration = -1 # Row index counter

### ITERATION OVER EVERY BACKGROUND MORTALITY (delta) VALUE ###
for delta in delta_list:

    ### ITERATION OVER EVERY PROBABILITY OF THE ENVIRONMENT BEING INFECTED (p)
    ###
    for p in p_list:
        theta_max = best_threshold = 0
        bp = {'index' : iteration, 'delta' : delta, 'p' : p, 'theta_max' : 
            theta_max, 'threshold' : best_threshold}

        ### ITERATING OVER EVERY THRESHOLD ###
        for threshold in thresholds:
            iteration = iteration + 1

        ### PROBABILITY AREAS ###
        # Calculate z-score for each environment distribution
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Sz = stats.NormalDist(Smean, Sstd).zscore(threshold)
Iz = stats.NormalDist(Imean, Istd).zscore(threshold)

# Calculate probability from z-score based on threshold
Sprob = norm.cdf(Sz)
Iprob = norm.cdf(Iz)

# Calculate specific area of the distributions scaled to the
↳probability of infected
p_iw = Iprob * p                    # red
p_ih = (1 - Iprob) * p              # purple
p_sh = (1 - Sprob) * (1 - p)        # orange
p_sw = Sprob * (1 - p)              # green

### SHORT-TERM PARAMETERS ###
a = (1-delta) * ((p_iw * l) + (p_ih * u * l))    # Probability
↳of losing a reserve
b = (1-delta) * p_sw                            # Probability
↳of gaining a reserve
c = (1-delta) * (p_sh + (p_ih * (1 - u)))        # Probability
↳of remaining at the same reserve level
death = 1 - a - b - c                          # Probability
↳of death while trying to gain a reserve

### LONG-TERM PROBABILITY (theta) ###
# Parameters for quadratic formula
qf_a = float(a)
qf_b = float(c - 1)
qf_c = float(b)

# Calculate theta
theta = (- (qf_b) - math.sqrt((pow(qf_b, 2) - (4 * qf_a * qf_c)))) /
↳(2 * qf_a)

### DICTIONARY OF PARAMETERS ###
delta_pm.append(
{
    'delta' : delta,
    'p' : p,
    'threshold' : threshold,
    'a' : a, 'b' : b, 'c' : c,          # Short-term probability
    'g' : b + c, 'w' : a + c,          # Combined short-term
↳probabilities
    'theta' : theta,                   # Long-term probability
    'd' : death,                       # Residual death
    'p_iw' : p_iw, 'p_ih' : p_ih,

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        'p_sw' : p_sw, 'p_sh' : p_sh
    }
)

    # Identifying the threshold with the largest long-term probability
    ↪ of gaining a financial reserve unit (theta)
    if theta > bp['theta_max']:
        bp['index'] = iteration
        bp['delta'] = delta
        bp['p'] = p
        bp['theta_max'] = theta
        bp['threshold'] = threshold
        bp['a'] = a
        bp['b'] = b
        bp['c'] = c

    ### SAVE THE BEST PARAMETERS FOR EVERY p ###
    delta_best_pm.append(bp)

```

### 3.6.1 DataFrames

```

[14]: delta_parameters = pd.DataFrame(delta_pm).astype({'p' : 'category', 'delta' :
    ↪ 'category'})
    delta_best_parameters = pd.DataFrame(delta_best_pm).astype({'p' : 'category',
    ↪ 'delta' : 'category'})    # For each p in each delta

```

### 3.6.2 Figure 9: Background mortality ( $\delta$ )

(A) Largest long-term probability of eventually gaining a reserve unit ( $\theta_{max}$ ) across infection probabilities ( $p$ ) when background mortality ( $\delta$ ) is 0 (blue), 0.05 (orange) and 0.1 (green).

(B) Optimal threshold ( $x_T$ ) across infection probabilities ( $p$ ) when background mortality ( $\delta$ ) is 0 (blue), 0.05 (orange) and 0.1 (green).

```

[15]: fig, axes = plt.subplots(1, 2, figsize=(9, 3.75))
    sns.set_theme(style='white', rc={'axes.titlesize': 11, 'axes.labelsize': 10,
    ↪ 'xtick.labelsize': 9, 'ytick.labelsize': 9})
    sns.set_palette("colorblind")

    df=delta_best_parameters

    sns.lineplot(data=df, x='p', y='theta_max', hue='delta', palette='colorblind',
    ↪ ax=axes[0])
    ).set(ylabel='Largest long-term probability of gaining a\nfinancial reserve
    ↪ unit ($\\theta_{max}$)', yticks=np.arange(0, 1.1, 0.1), title='(A)')

```

```

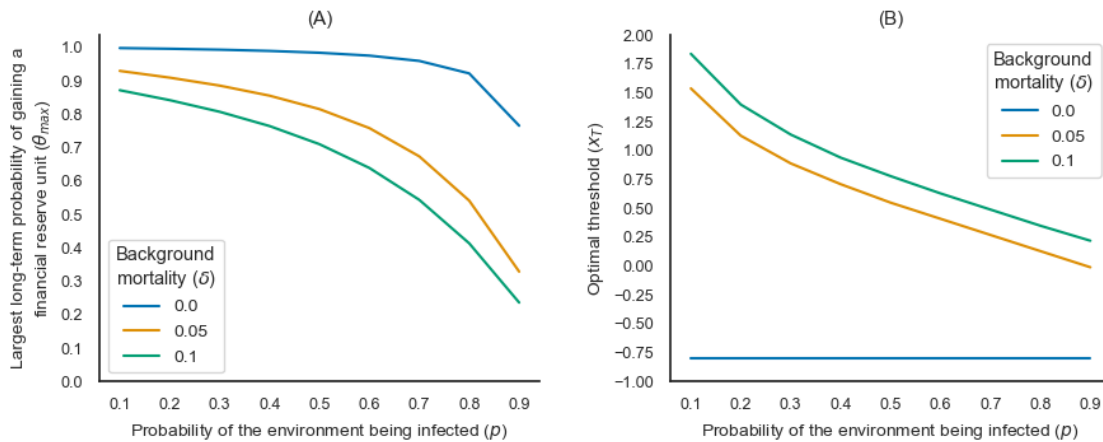
sns.lineplot(data=df, x='p', y='threshold', hue='delta', palette='colorblind',
             ax=axes[1])
).set(ylabel='Optimal threshold ( $x_T$ )', yticks=np.arange(-1, 2.2, 0.25),
      title='(B)')

### CUSTOMISATIONS ###
for ax in axes:
    ax.set_xlabel('Probability of the environment being infected ( $p$ )')
    ax.legend(title='Background mortality ( $\delta$ )', fontsize=10,
             title_fontsize=10.5,)

    # Hide spines
    for spine in ['right', 'top']:
        ax.spines[spine].set_visible(False)

plt.tight_layout()
plt.subplots_adjust(wspace=0.3)

```



### 3.7 Unlucky Probability

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[16]: ### LISTS TO STORE DICTIONARIES ###
unlucky_pm = []          # List to store dictionaries of each parameter
unlucky_best_pm = []     # List to store best parameters for every p value

### PARAMETERS ###
Smean=0; Svar=1; Sstd=math.sqrt(Svar)      # Safe environment
Imean=1.5; Ivar=1; Istd=math.sqrt(Ivar)     # Infected environment
l = 0.85                                   # Probability of survival given
environment is infected
delta=0.05                                 # Background mortality

```

```

# Unlucky parameter
unlucky_list=[0, 0.05, 0.1, 1]

# Background probability that the environment is infected
p_range=np.arange(0.1, 1, 0.1).tolist()
p_list=[round(p, 2) for p in p_range]

# Threshold Range (within three standard deviations to get 99.73% of all
↳values)
Slower = Smean - (3 * Sstd)
Iupper = Imean + (3 * Istd)
threshold_range=np.arange(Slower, Iupper+0.01, 0.01).tolist()
thresholds=[round(t, 2) for t in threshold_range]

iteration = -1 # Row index counter

### ITERATION OVER EVERY UNLUCKY PROBABILITY (u) ###
for u in unlucky_list:

### ITERATION OVER EVERY PROBABILITY OF THE ENVIRONMENT BEING INFECTED(p) ###
    for p in p_list:
        theta_max = best_threshold = 0
        bp = {'index' : iteration, 'unlucky' : u, 'p' : p, 'theta_max' :
↳theta_max, 'threshold' : best_threshold}

        ### ITERATING OVER EVERY THRESHOLD ###
        for threshold in thresholds:
            iteration = iteration + 1

            ### PROBABILITY AREAS ###
            # Calculate z-score for each environment distribution
            Sz = stats.NormalDist(Smean, Sstd).zscore(threshold)
            Iz = stats.NormalDist(Imean, Istd).zscore(threshold)

            # Calculate probability from z-score based on threshold
            Sprob = norm.cdf(Sz)
            Iprob = norm.cdf(Iz)

            # Calculate the specific area of the distributions scaled to the
↳probability of the environment being infected
            p_iw = Iprob * p # red
            p_ih = (1 - Iprob) * p # purple
            p_sh = (1 - Sprob) * (1 - p) # orange
            p_sw = Sprob * (1 - p) # green

            ### SHORT-TERM PARAMETERS ###

```



```

        a = (1-delta) * ((p_iw * 1) + (p_ih * u * 1))           # Probability
↳of losing a reserve
        b = (1-delta) * p_sw                                     # Probability
↳of gaining a reserve
        c = (1-delta) * (p_sh + (p_ih * (1 - u)))               # Probability
↳of remaining at the same reserve level
        death = 1 - a - b - c                                    # Probability
↳of death while trying to gain a reserve

    ### LONG-TERM PROBABILITY (theta) ###
    # Parameters for quadratic formula
    qf_a = float(a)
    qf_b = float(c - 1)
    qf_c = float(b)

    # Calculate theta
    theta = (- (qf_b) - math.sqrt((pow(qf_b, 2) - (4 * qf_a * qf_c)))) /
↳(2 * qf_a)

    ### DICTIONARY OF PARAMETERS ###
    unlucky_pm.append(
        {
            'unlucky' : u,
            'p' : p,
            'threshold' : threshold,
            'theta' : theta,                                     # Long-term probability
            'd' : death,                                       # Residual death
            'p_iw' : p_iw, 'p_ih' : p_ih,
            'p_sw' : p_sw, 'p_sh' : p_sh
        }
    )

    # Identifying the threshold with the largest long-term probability
↳of gaining a financial reserve unit (theta)
    if theta > bp['theta_max']:
        bp['index'] = iteration
        bp['unlucky'] = u
        bp['p'] = p
        bp['theta_max'] = theta
        bp['threshold'] = threshold
        bp['a'] = a
        bp['b'] = b
        bp['c'] = c

    ### SAVE THE BEST PARAMETERS FOR EVERY p ###
    unlucky_best_pm.append(bp)

```

### 3.7.1 DataFrames

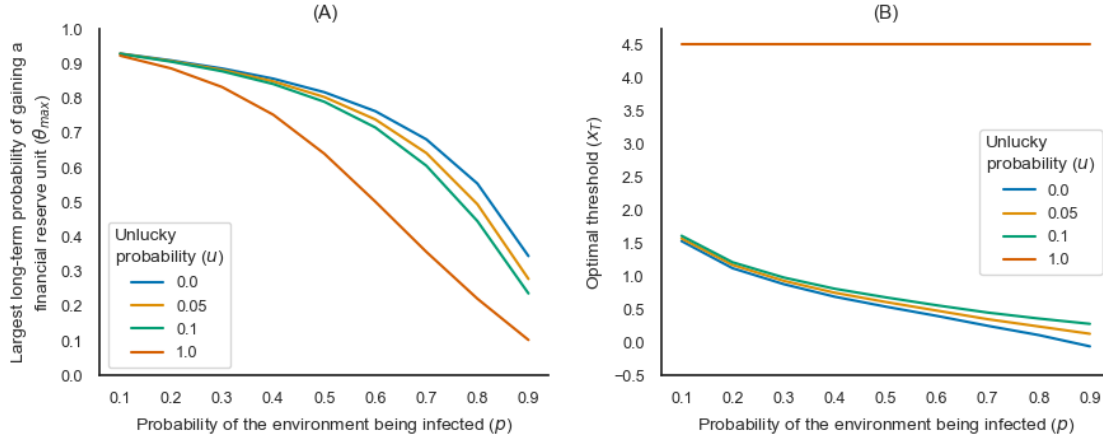
```
[17]: unlucky_parameters = pd.DataFrame(unlucky_pm).astype({'p' : 'category',  
↳ 'unlucky' : 'category'})  
unlucky_best_parameters = pd.DataFrame(unlucky_best_pm).astype({'p' :  
↳ 'category', 'unlucky' : 'category'})    # For each p in each delta
```

### 3.7.2 Figure 10: Unlucky probability ( $u$ )

(A) Largest long-term probability of eventually gaining a reserve unit ( $\theta_{max}$ ) across infection probabilities ( $p$ ) when the unlucky probability ( $u$ ) is 0 (blue), 0.05 (yellow), 0.1 (green) and 1.0 (orange).

(B) Optimal threshold ( $x_T$ ) across infection probabilities ( $p$ ) when the unlucky probability ( $u$ ) is 0 (blue), 0.05 (yellow), 0.1 (green) and 1.0 (orange).

```
[18]: fig, axes = plt.subplots(1, 2, figsize=(9, 3.75))  
sns.set_theme(style='white', rc={'axes.titlesize': 11, 'axes.labelsize': 10,  
↳ 'xtick.labelsize': 9, 'ytick.labelsize': 9})  
sns.set_palette("colorblind")  
  
df=unlucky_best_parameters  
  
sns.lineplot(data=df, x='p', y='theta_max', hue='unlucky',  
↳ palette='colorblind', ax=axes[0])  
) .set(ylabel='Largest long-term probability of gaining a\nfinancial reserve_  
↳ unit ($\\theta_{max}$)', yticks=np.arange(0, 1.1, 0.1), title='(A)')  
  
sns.lineplot(data=df, x='p', y='threshold', hue='unlucky',  
↳ palette='colorblind', ax=axes[1])  
) .set(ylabel='Optimal threshold ($x_T$)', yticks=np.arange(-0.5, 4.6, 0.5),  
↳ title='(B)')  
  
### CUSTOMISATIONS ###  
for ax in axes:  
    ax.set_xlabel('Probability of the environment being infected ($p$)')  
    ax.legend(title='Unlucky\nprobability ($u$)', fontsize=9, title_fontsize=10)  
  
    # Hide spines  
    for spine in ['right', 'top']:  
        ax.spines[spine].set_visible(False)  
  
plt.tight_layout()  
plt.subplots_adjust(wspace=0.25)
```



## 4 Checking with the Signal Detection Theory Equation

```
[19]: ### LISTS TO STORE DICTIONARIES ###
best_pm = [] # List to store best parameters for every p value

### PARAMETERS ###
Smean=0; Svar=1; Sstd=math.sqrt(Svar) # Safe environment
Imean=1.5; Ivar=1; Istd=math.sqrt(Ivar) # Infected environment
delta=0.05 # Background mortality
l = 0.85 # Probability of survival given
environment is infected
u = 0.01 # Unlucky probability

# Background probability that the environment is infected
p_range=np.arange(0.1, 1, 0.025).tolist()
p_list=[round(p, 2) for p in p_range]

# Threshold Range (within three standard deviations to get 99.73% of all
values)
Slower = Smean - (3 * Sstd)
Iupper = Imean + (3 * Istd)
threshold_range=np.arange(Slower, Iupper+0.01, 0.01).tolist()
thresholds=[round(t, 2) for t in threshold_range]

### ITERATION OVER EVERY PROBABILITY OF THE ENVIRONMENT BEING INFECTED (p) ###
for p in p_list:
    theta_max = best_threshold = 0
    bp = {'p' : p, 'theta_max' : theta_max, 'threshold' : best_threshold}

### ITERATING OVER EVERY THRESHOLD ###
```

```

for threshold in thresholds:
    iteration = iteration + 1

    ### PROBABILITY AREAS ###
    # Calculate z-score for each environment distribution
    Sz = stats.NormalDist(Smean, Sstd).zscore(threshold)
    Iz = stats.NormalDist(Imean, Istd).zscore(threshold)

    # Calculate probability from z-score based on threshold
    Sprob = norm.cdf(Sz)
    Iprob = norm.cdf(Iz)

    # Calculate the specific area of the distributions scaled to the
    ↪ probability of the environment being infected
    p_iw = Iprob * p                                # red
    p_ih = (1 - Iprob) * p                          # purple
    p_sh = (1 - Sprob) * (1 - p)                    # orange
    p_sw = Sprob * (1 - p)                          # green

    ### SHORT-TERM PARAMETERS ###
    a = (1-delta) * ((p_iw * l) + (p_ih * u * l))    # Probability of
    ↪ losing a reserve
    b = (1-delta) * p_sw                            # Probability of
    ↪ gaining a reserve
    c = (1-delta) * (p_sh + (p_ih * (1 - u)))        # Probability of
    ↪ remaining at the same reserve level
    death = 1 - a - b - c                          # Probability of
    ↪ death while trying to gain a reserve

    ### LONG-TERM PROBABILITY (theta) ###
    # Parameters for quadratic formula
    qf_a = float(a)
    qf_b = float(c - 1)
    qf_c = float(b)

    # Calculate theta
    theta = (-(qf_b) - math.sqrt((pow(qf_b, 2) - (4 * qf_a * qf_c)))) / (2
    ↪ * qf_a)

    # Identifying the threshold with the largest long-term probability of
    ↪ gaining a financial reserve unit (theta)
    if theta > bp['theta_max']:
        bp['p'] = p
        bp['theta_max'] = theta
        bp['threshold'] = threshold

```

```
### SAVE THE BEST PARAMETERS FOR EVERY p ###  
best_pm.append(bp)
```

## 4.1 DataFrames

```
[20]: best_parameters=pd.DataFrame(best_pm)  
best_parameters
```

```
[20]:
```

	p	theta_max	threshold
0	0.10	0.930016	1.54
1	0.12	0.926141	1.43
2	0.15	0.920210	1.30
3	0.17	0.916142	1.23
4	0.20	0.909819	1.13
5	0.22	0.905427	1.07
6	0.25	0.898525	1.00
7	0.27	0.893685	0.95
8	0.30	0.886015	0.89
9	0.32	0.880595	0.85
10	0.35	0.871942	0.79
11	0.37	0.865784	0.76
12	0.40	0.855887	0.71
13	0.42	0.848798	0.67
14	0.45	0.837328	0.63
15	0.47	0.829057	0.60
16	0.50	0.815586	0.55
17	0.52	0.805808	0.52
18	0.55	0.789777	0.48
19	0.57	0.778061	0.45
20	0.60	0.758721	0.41
21	0.62	0.744492	0.39
22	0.65	0.720842	0.34
23	0.67	0.703328	0.32
24	0.70	0.674023	0.27
25	0.72	0.652192	0.25
26	0.75	0.615455	0.20
27	0.77	0.587953	0.18
28	0.80	0.541499	0.13
29	0.82	0.506627	0.10
30	0.85	0.447675	0.06
31	0.87	0.403465	0.03
32	0.90	0.328984	-0.01
33	0.92	0.273459	-0.04
34	0.95	0.180756	-0.09
35	0.97	0.112432	-0.12

## 4.2 Applying the SDT Equation

From page 18 of McNamara & Trimmer (2019):

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \frac{(1-p)}{p} \times \frac{(V_{SW} - V_{SH})}{(V_{IH} - V_{IW})} \\
 &= \frac{(1-p)}{p} \times \frac{(\alpha - \alpha\theta^2)}{\alpha\theta^2 - 0} \\
 &= \frac{(1-p)}{p} \times \frac{\alpha(1 - \theta^2)}{\alpha\theta^2} \\
 &= \frac{(1-p)}{p} \times \frac{(1 - \theta^2)}{\theta^2}
 \end{aligned}$$

For **SDT** equation: Use the  $\theta_{max}$  values from  $p = 0.2$  for *all*  $p$  values (*fixed*)

For **SDDT** equation: Use the  $\theta_{max}$  values associated with each  $p$  value (*variable*)

```
[21]: sdt_eq = best_parameters.copy().astype({'p' : float})

# SDT - Fixed theta (taken from p = 0.2)
fixed_theta = sdt_eq.loc[sdt_eq['p'] == 0.2, 'theta_max'].item()

sdt_eq["SDT-threshold"] = (
    ((1 - sdt_eq['p']) / sdt_eq['p']) *
    ((1 - (fixed_theta ** 2)) / (fixed_theta ** 2))
)

# SDDT - Variable theta
sdt_eq["SDDT-threshold"] = (
    ((1 - sdt_eq['p']) / sdt_eq['p']) *
    ((1 - (sdt_eq['theta_max'] ** 2)) / (sdt_eq['theta_max'] ** 2))
)

# Rearrange columns
sdt_eq.insert(3, "SDT-threshold", sdt_eq.pop("SDT-threshold"))
sdt_eq.insert(4, "SDDT-threshold", sdt_eq.pop("SDDT-threshold"))

sdt_eq.head()
```

```
[21]:
```

	p	theta_max	threshold	SDT-threshold	SDDT-threshold
0	0.10	0.930016	1.54	1.872567	1.405476
1	0.12	0.926141	1.43	1.525796	1.216299
2	0.15	0.920210	1.30	1.179024	1.025300
3	0.17	0.916142	1.23	1.015837	0.934702
4	0.20	0.909819	1.13	0.832252	0.832252

### 4.3 SDT vs SDDT vs Extended Severity Model

```
[22]: fig, ax = plt.subplots()
sns.set_theme(style='white', rc={'axes.titlesize': 11, 'axes.labelsize': 10,
    ↪ 'xtick.labelsize': 9, 'ytick.labelsize': 9})
sns.set_palette("colorblind")

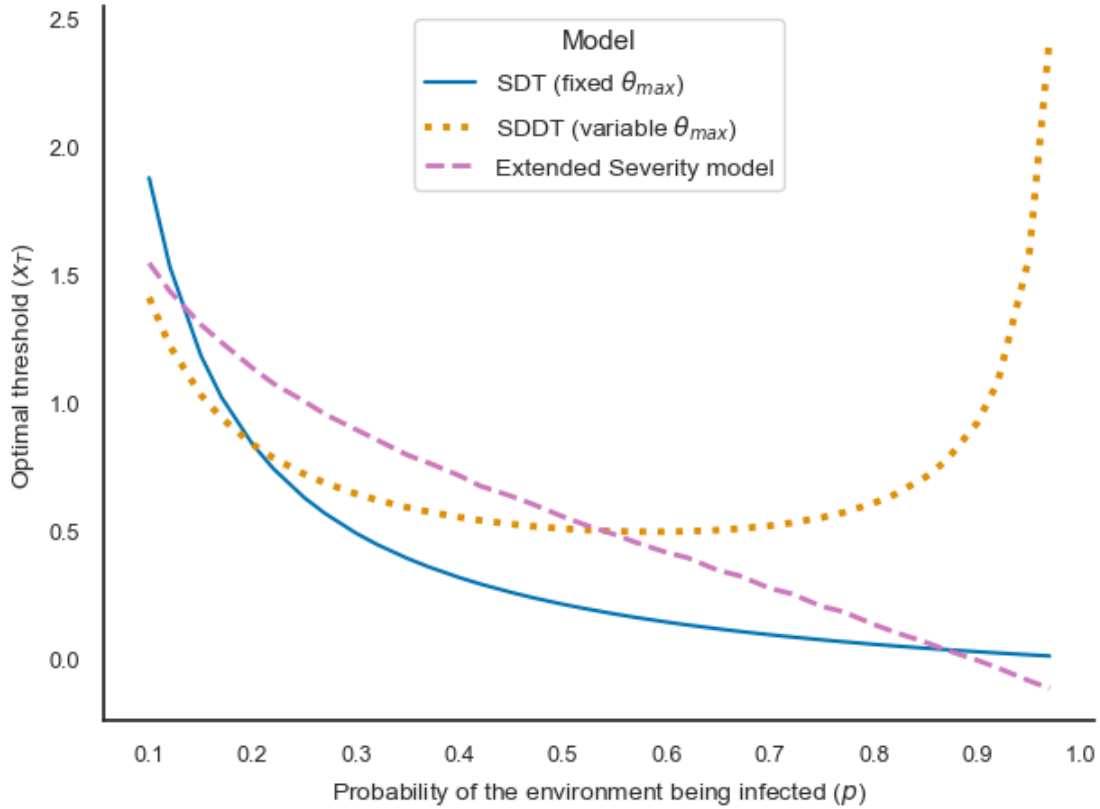
palette = sns.color_palette("colorblind")

# Plots
sns.lineplot(data=sdt_eq, x='p', y="SDT-threshold", label='SDT (fixed_
    ↪  $\theta_{\max}$ )', color=palette[0])
sns.lineplot(data=sdt_eq, x='p', y="SDDT-threshold", label='SDDT (variable_
    ↪  $\theta_{\max}$ )', color=palette[1], linestyle='dotted', lw=2.75)
sns.lineplot(data=sdt_eq, x='p', y="threshold", label='Extended Severity_
    ↪ model', color=palette[4], linestyle='--', lw=2)

# Customisations
ax.set_xlabel('Probability of the environment being infected ( $p$ )')
ax.set_xticks(np.arange(0.1, 1.1, 0.1))
ax.set_ylabel('Optimal threshold ( $x_T$ )')
ax.legend(fontsize=10, title='Model', title_fontsize=11, loc='upper center')

for spine in ['right', 'top']:
    ax.spines[spine].set_visible(False)

plt.tight_layout()
```



#### 4.4 Figure 11: SDT vs SDDT

Comparing optimal thresholds ( $x_T$ ) resulting from the Signal Detection Theory (SDT; blue, solid) and the State-Dependent Detection Theory (SDDT; orange, dotted) across increasing probabilities of the environment being infected ( $p$ ).

```
[23]: fig, ax = plt.subplots()
sns.set_theme(style='white', rc={'axes.titlesize': 11, 'axes.labelsize': 10,
    ↪ 'xtick.labelsize': 9, 'ytick.labelsize': 9})
sns.set_palette("colorblind")

palette = sns.color_palette("colorblind")

# Plots
sns.lineplot(data=sdt_eq, x='p', y="SDT-threshold", label='SDT (fixed_
    ↪ $\theta_{max}$)', color=palette[0])
sns.lineplot(data=sdt_eq, x='p', y="SDDT-threshold", label='SDDT (variable_
    ↪ $\theta_{max}$)', color=palette[1], linestyle='dotted', lw=2.75)

# Customisations
ax.set_xlabel('Probability of the environment being infected ($p$'))
```



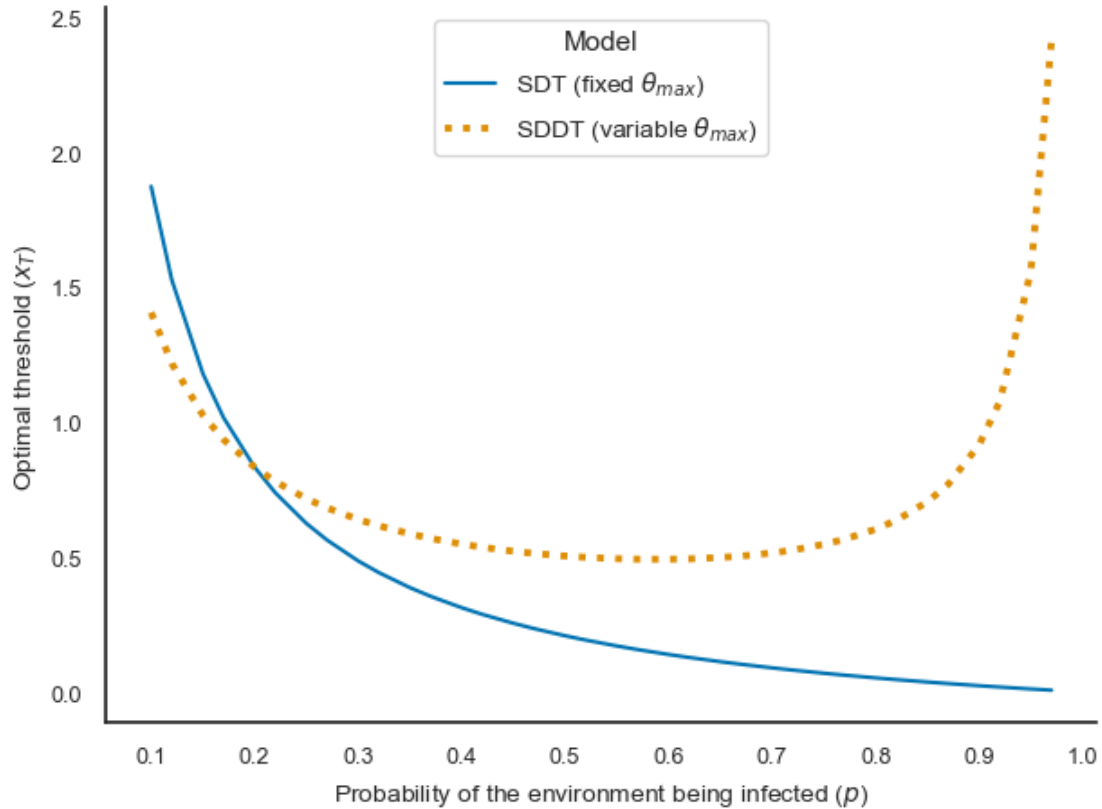
```

ax.set_xticks(np.arange(0.1, 1.1, 0.1))
ax.set_ylabel('Optimal threshold ( $x_T$ )')
ax.legend(fontsize=10, title='Model', title_fontsize=11, loc='upper center')

for spine in ['right', 'top']:
    ax.spines[spine].set_visible(False)

plt.tight_layout()

```



#### 4.5 Figure 12: SDT vs Extended Severity Model

Comparing optimal thresholds ( $x_T$ ) resulting from the Extended Severity Model (pink, dashed) with (A) the Signal Detection Theory (SDT; blue, solid) and (B) the State-Dependent Detection Theory (SDDT; orange, dotted).

```

[25]: fig, axes = plt.subplots(1, 2, figsize=(9, 3.75))
sns.set_theme(style='white', rc={'axes.titlesize': 11, 'axes.labelsize': 10,
    ↪ 'xtick.labelsize': 9, 'ytick.labelsize': 9})
sns.set_palette("colorblind")

palette = sns.color_palette("colorblind")

```

```

# Plots
sns.lineplot(data=sdt_eq, x='p', y="SDT-threshold", label='SDT (fixed_
↳ $\backslash\theta_{\max}$)', color=palette[0], ax=axes[0])
sns.lineplot(data=sdt_eq, x='p', y="threshold", label='Extended Severity_
↳ model', color=palette[4], linestyle='--', lw=2, ax=axes[0])
axes[0].set(title='(A)')

sns.lineplot(data=sdt_eq, x='p', y="SDDT-threshold", label='SDDT (variable_
↳ $\backslash\theta_{\max}$)', color=palette[1], linestyle='dotted', lw=2.75, ax=axes[1])
sns.lineplot(data=sdt_eq, x='p', y="threshold", label='Extended Severity_
↳ model', color=palette[4], linestyle='--', lw=2, ax=axes[1])
axes[1].set(title='(B)')

# Customisations
for ax in axes.flat:
    ax.set_xlabel('Probability of the environment being infected ($p$)')
    ax.set_xticks(np.arange(0.1, 1.1, 0.1))
    ax.set_ylabel('Optimal threshold ($x_T$)')
    ax.set_yticks(np.arange(-0.5, 2.6, 0.5))
    ax.legend(fontsize=10, title='Model', title_fontsize=11)

    for spine in ['right', 'top']:
        ax.spines[spine].set_visible(False)

plt.tight_layout()
plt.subplots_adjust(wspace=0.3)

```

