

Question 1:

(a) part A.

$r_d$  = per capita rate of growth       $b_0$  = mean birth rate of population

$R = 1 + r_d = 1.4$  year, in discrete time

$$R = (1-d)(1+b) = (1-d_0)(1+0.6) = 1.4$$

$$d_0 = 0.125$$

(b)  $b(n) = b_0 - b_1 n$ , birth rate  $b$  depends linearly on population size

since  $R = 1 + r_d$ , we know that  $R = (1-d)(1+b)$

$$r_d = (1-d)(1+b) - 1 \quad r_d = (1-d_0)(1+(b_0 - b_1 n)) - 1$$

$$r_d = b_0 - d_0 - d_0 b_0$$

$$r_d = (1-d_0)(1+(b_0 - b_1 K)) - 1$$

where  $r_d$  is 0 when carrying capacity

$$0 = (1-d_0)(1+b_0 - b_1 K) - 1$$

$$K = \frac{b_0 - b_0 d_0 - d_0}{b_1 (1-d_0)}$$

The system conforms to the definition of the logistical growth model (discrete) because in class, we discussed that the logistic discrete-time model is under the assumption that crowding occurs and resources are limiting. Here, insect population is dependent on rainfall, which means the resource is limited and that the birth rate is density-dependent is also a good indicator.

Given log-discrete-time model, if per capita rate  $r_d$  is positive but not too high, then  $p(n) \rightarrow K$  (reaches capacity). At low density, population drops to 0. If per capita rate  $r_d$  is large enough and positive, population will oscillate indefinitely.

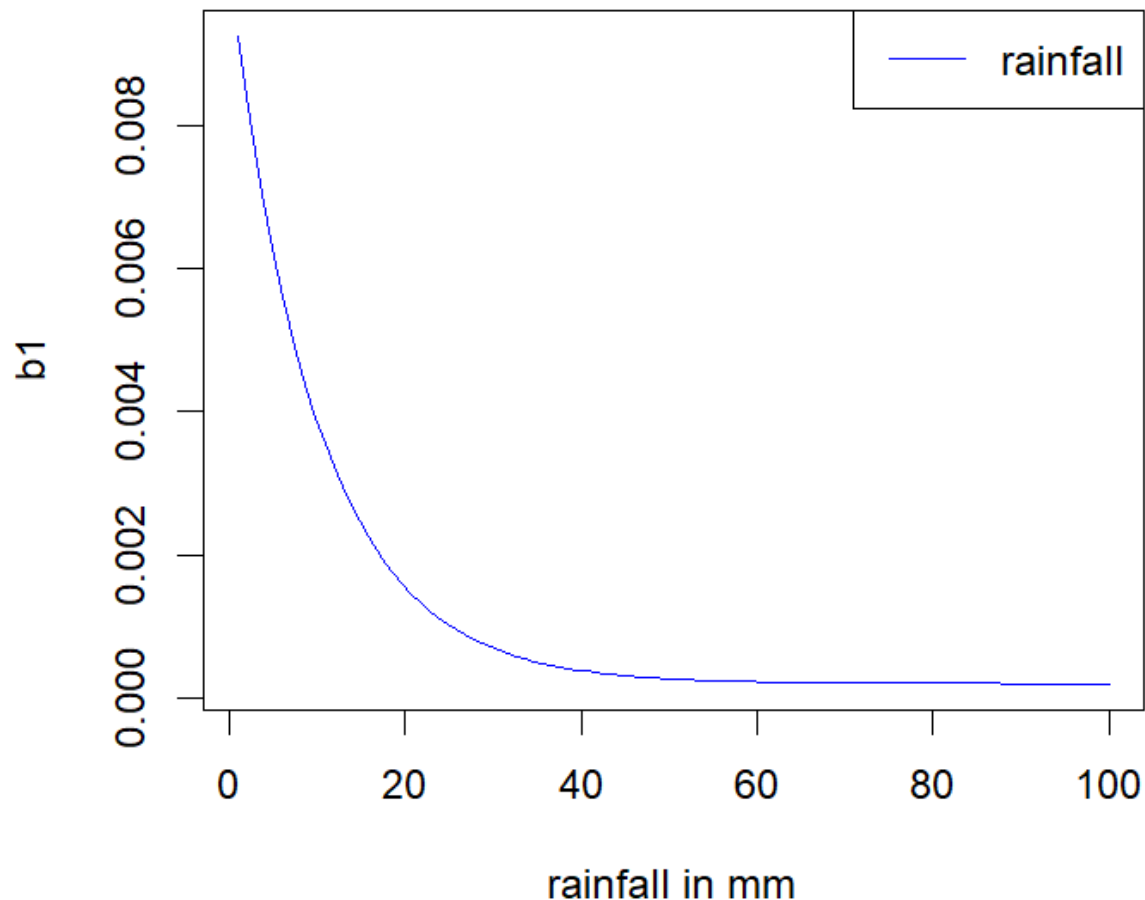
(c) The  $b_1$  parameter is the slope of the birth rate vs. population graph, where a more densely populated population will be more impacted by the lack of resource due to over competition, and thereby have a smaller birth rate  $b(n)$ .  $b_1$  is the rate at which the increase of one individual in the population have on the birth rate of that density-dependent system.

$$B(n) = b_0 - b_1 n$$

$$\text{slope of graph} = m = -b_1$$

Problem Set 3  
Question 1d.

## Plot of B1 vs. rain fall in mm



Code:

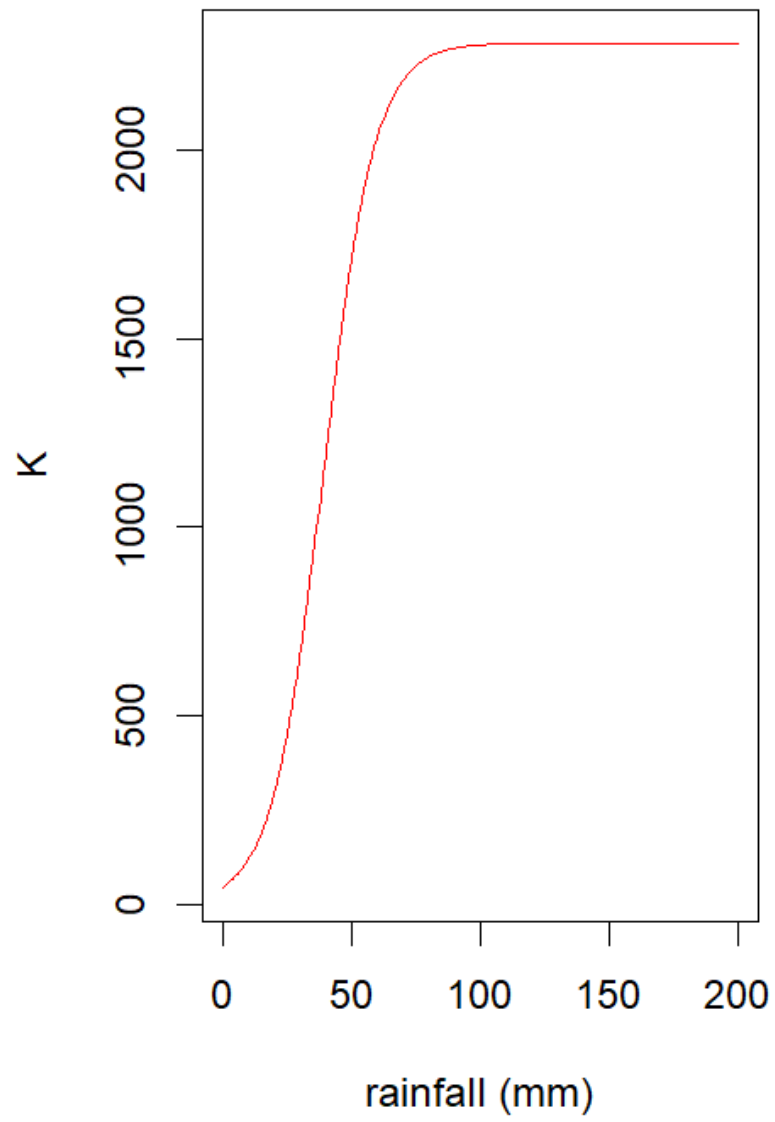
```
x <- seq(0, 100, by = 0.1)
plot(x, y = (0.0002 + 0.01*exp(-x/10)), type = "l", xlab="rainfall in mm", ylab="b1",
      col="blue", lwd=1, main="Plot of B1 vs. rain fall in mm")
legend(x = "topright", legend = c("rainfall"), col = c("blue"), lty = 1)
```

#1d-----

```
x <- seq(0, 100, by = 0.1)
plot(x, y = (0.0002 + 0.01*exp(-x/10)), type = "l", xlab="rainfall in mm", ylab="b1",
      col="blue", lwd=1, main="Plot of B1 vs. rain fall in mm")
legend(x = "topright", legend = c("rainfall"), col = c("blue"), lty = 1)
```

1e.

**Graph of K vs. rainfall**



Code:

```

9 #Write a function that computes b1 for any given amount of rainfall
10 Calcb1 <- function(rain){
11   b1 <- 0.0002 + 0.01*exp(-rain/10)
12   return(b1)
13 }
14
15 Calcb1(34) # testing 1 2
16 # >0.0005337327
17
18 #Computes K for any values of b0, b1, and d0
19 Carrying <- function(b0, b1, d0){
20   K <- (b0 - b0*d0 - d0)/(b1-(b1*d0))
21   return(K)
22 }
23
24 #Calculate K for 10 mm of rain, 60 mm of rain, and 100 mm of rain
25
26 K <- Carrying(b0 = 0.6, b1 = Calcb1(10), d0 = 0.125)
27 print("The K for 10mm of rain is 117.85")
28 K <- Carrying(b0 = 0.6, b1 = Calcb1(60), d0 = 0.125)
29 print("The K for 60mm of rain is 2033.667")
30 K <- Carrying(b0 = 0.6, b1 = Calcb1(100), d0 = 0.125)
31 print("The K for 100mm of rain is 2280.537")
32
33 rain1 <- seq(0, 200, by = 1)
34 plot(rain1, y = Carrying(b0 = 0.6, b1 = Calcb1(rain1), d0 = 0.125),
35      type = "l", xlab="rainfall (mm)", ylab="K",
36      col="red", lwd=1, main="Graph of K vs. rainfall")
37

```

#1e-----

#Write a function that computes b1 for any given amount of rainfall

```

Calcb1 <- function(rain){
  b1 <- 0.0002 + 0.01*exp(-rain/10)
  return(b1)
}

```

Calcb1(34) # testing 1 2

#>0.0005337327

#Computes K for any values of b0, b1, and d0

```

Carrying <- function(b0, b1, d0){
  K <- (b0 - b0*d0 - d0)/(b1-(b1*d0))
  return(K)
}

```

#Calculate K for 10 mm of rain, 60 mm of rain, and 100 mm of rain

K <- Carrying(b0 = 0.6, b1 = Calcb1(10), d0 = 0.125)

print("The K for 10mm of rain is 117.85")

K <- Carrying(b0 = 0.6, b1 = Calcb1(60), d0 = 0.125)

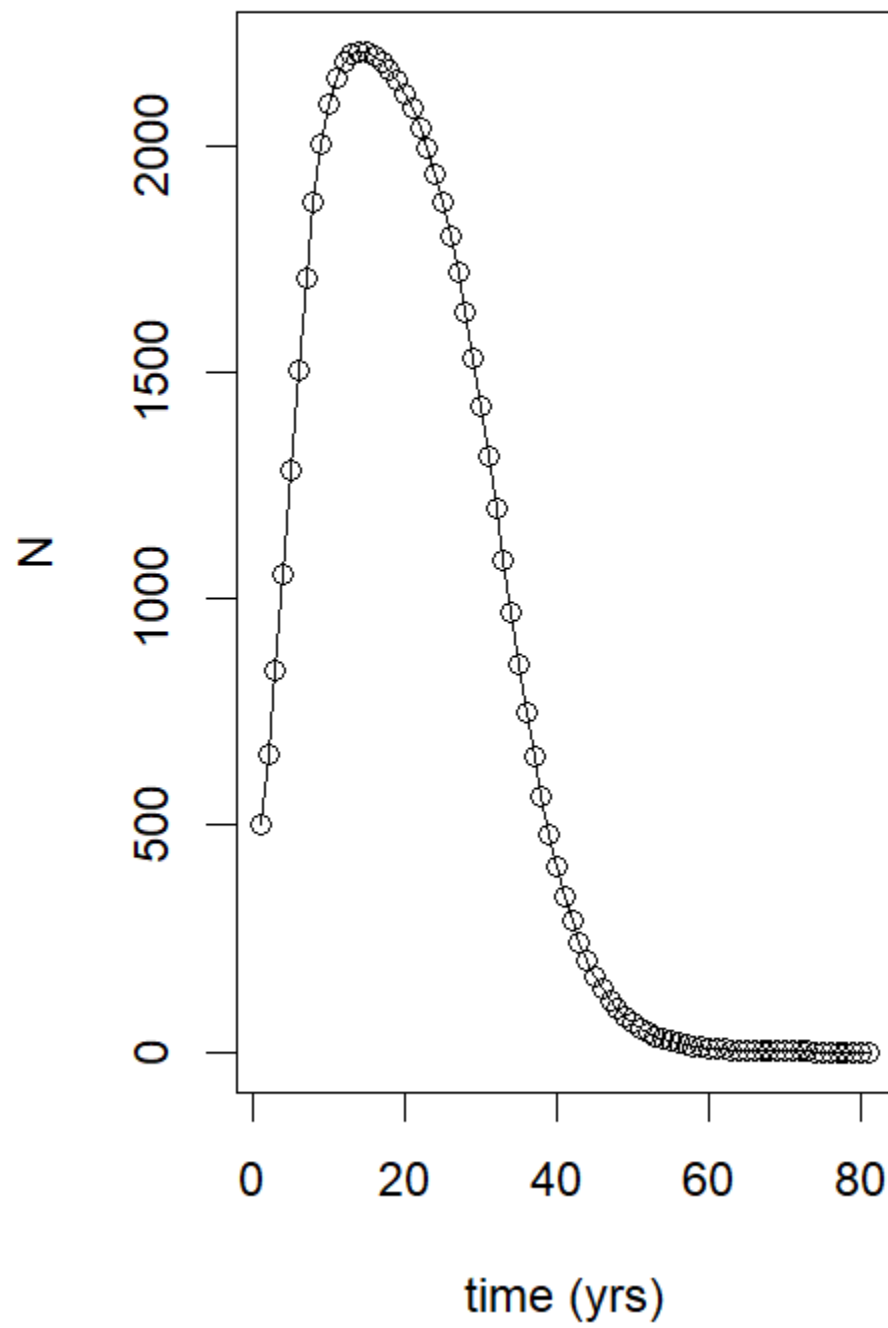
print("The K for 60mm of rain is 2033.667")

```
K <- Carrying(b0 = 0.6, b1 = Calcb1(100), d0 = 0.125)
print("The K for 100mm of rain is 2280.537")
```

```
rain1 <- seq(0, 200, by = 1)
plot(rain1, y = Carrying(b0 = 0.6, b1 = Calcb1(rain1), d0 = 0.125),
     type = "l", xlab="rainfall (mm)", ylab="K",
     col="red", lwd=1, main="Graph of K vs. rainfall")
```

1f.

### Graph of time vs. N



Code:

```
38 #Question 2f-----
39
40 calcRainfall <- function(year){
41   rain <- 100 - 2*(year)
42   return(rain)
43 }
44
45 Calcb1 <- function(rain){
46   b1 <- 0.0002 + 0.01*exp(-rain/10)
47   return(b1)
48 }
49
50 Carrying <- function(b0, b1, d0){
51   K <- (b0 - b0*d0 - d0)/(b1-(b1*d0))
52   return(K)
53 }
54
55 #Above are the same functions as previous questions
56 r_d <- 0.4
57 popVector <- rep(0, 81) #I decided that 80 would be capturing the whole dynamic
58 popVector[1] <- 500
59
60
61 for(year in seq(1, 80)){
62   popVector[year+1] = popVector[year] +
63     (r_d*(popVector[year])*(1- (popVector[year]/ Carrying(b0 = 0.6, b1 = Calcb1(calcRainfall((year))), d0 = 0.125) )))
64 }
65 plot(popVector, type = "o", xlab="time (yrs)", ylab="N",
66       col="black", lwd=1, main="Graph of time vs. N" )
67
```

#Question 1f-----

```
calcRainfall <- function(year){
  rain <- 100 - 2*(year)
  return(rain)
}
```

```
Calcb1 <- function(rain){
  b1 <- 0.0002 + 0.01*exp(-rain/10)
  return(b1)
}
```

```
Carrying <- function(b0, b1, d0){
  K <- (b0 - b0*d0 - d0)/(b1-(b1*d0))
  return(K)
}
```

#Above are the same functions as previous questions

```
r_d <- 0.4
popVector <- rep(0, 81) #I decided that 80 would be capturing the whole dynamic
popVector[1] <- 500
```

```
for(year in seq(1, 80)){
  popVector[year+1] = popVector[year] +
    (r_d*(popVector[year])*(1- (popVector[year]/ Carrying(b0 = 0.6, b1 = Calcb1(calcRainfall((year))), d0
= 0.125) )))
```

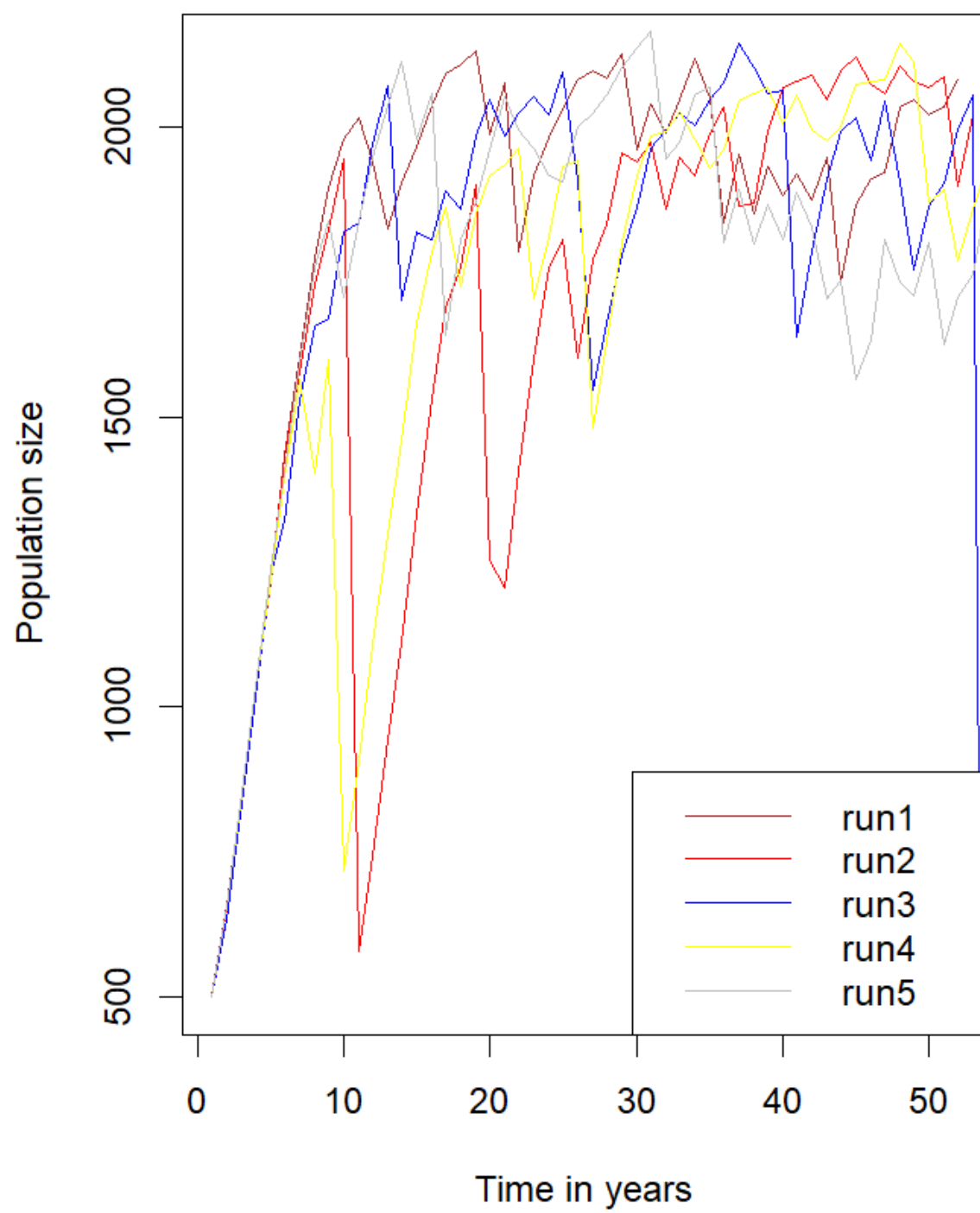
```
}  
plot(popVector, type = "o", xlab="time (yrs)", ylab="N",  
      col="black", lwd=1, main="Graph of N vs. time (yrs)" )
```

#### Interpretation:

The population, as the rainfall was ample in the beginning years (0-20), had a carrying capacity that was increasing due to sufficient resources. However, as rainfall began to dwindle linearly, the  $b_1$  parameter would decrease (as seen in graph produced in part 1d). As  $b_1$  decreases, the carrying capacity also decreases. The carrying capacity's shrinkage is indicative of the environment not being able to support a large population, and thereby the population size decreases. The decrease is the quickest from years 30-50, and once more individuals have died out, the decrease of  $N$  slows because the environment can sustain a small batch of individuals. As there are no more rainfall, all of the population will dissipate to 0 by year 80.



1g.



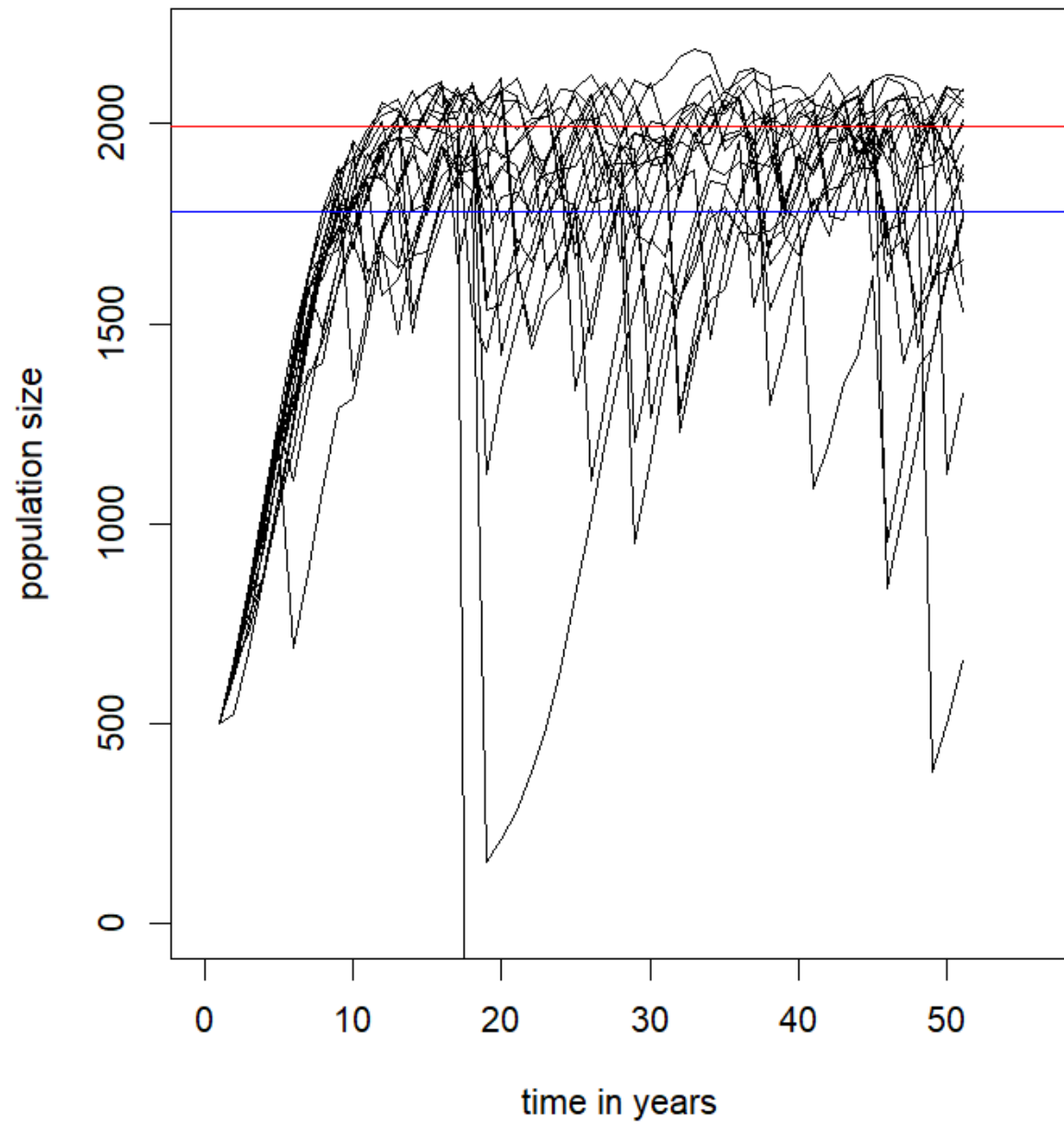
Code:

```
152 #-----revised ig
153 pop <- rep(0, 51)
154 r_d <- 0.4
155 pop[1] <- 500
156
157 for(year in seq_along(pop)){
158   pop[year+1] <- pop[year] +
159     ((r_d*pop[year]) * (1- (pop[year] / Carrying(b0 = 0.6, b1 = Calcb1
160       (rnorm(1, 60, 10)), d0 = 0.125))))
161 }
162
163 plot(pop, xlab = "Time in years", ylab = "Population size", col = "brown", type = "l")
164
165
166 for(year in seq_along(pop)){
167   pop[year+1] <- pop[year] +
168     ((r_d*pop[year]) * (1- (pop[year] / Carrying(b0 = 0.6, b1 = Calcb1
169       (rnorm(1, 60, 10)), d0 = 0.125))))
170 }
171
172 lines(pop, xlab = "Time in years", ylab = "Population size", col = "red", type = "l")
173
174
175 for(year in seq_along(pop)){
176   pop[year+1] <- pop[year] +
177     ((r_d*pop[year]) * (1- (pop[year] / Carrying(b0 = 0.6, b1 = Calcb1
178       (rnorm(1, 60, 10)), d0 = 0.125))))
179 }
180
181 lines(pop, xlab = "Time in years", ylab = "Population size", col = "blue", type = "l")
182
183 for(year in seq_along(pop)){
184   pop[year+1] <- pop[year] +
185     ((r_d*pop[year]) * (1- (pop[year] / Carrying(b0 = 0.6, b1 = Calcb1
186       (rnorm(1, 60, 10)), d0 = 0.125))))
187 }
188
189 lines(pop, xlab = "Time in years", ylab = "Population size", col = "yellow", type = "l")
189 lines(pop, xlab = "Time in years", ylab = "Population size", col = "yellow", type = "l")
190
191 for(year in seq_along(pop)){
192   pop[year+1] <- pop[year] +
193     ((r_d*pop[year]) * (1- (pop[year] / Carrying(b0 = 0.6, b1 = Calcb1
194       (rnorm(1, 60, 10)), d0 = 0.125))))
195 }
196
197 lines(pop, xlab = "Time in years", ylab = "Population size", col = "grey", type = "l")
198
199 legend(x = "bottomright", legend = c("run1", "run2", "run3", "run4", "run5"),
200       col = c("brown",
201         "red", "blue", "yellow", "grey"), lty = 1)
202
203
```

Interpretation:

The results are not the same because here the rainfall amount is pre-determined by random normal sampling and applied to the b1 calculation for every single year. In a sense, the rainfall amount is correlated directly with the carrying capacity. The long term behavior tends to  $N = 2000$ , but the nature of a stochastic model is that year to year variability is unpredictable.

1h.



Code: #1h-----



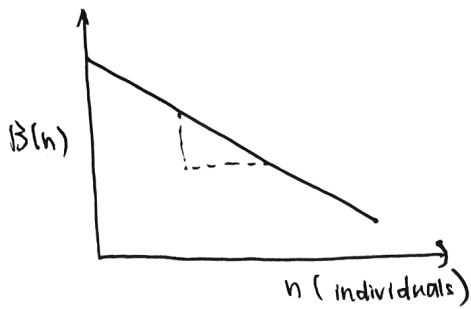
```
return (lines(pop, xlab = "Time in years", ylab = "Population size", type = "l"))
}
```

```
for (i in seq(1,20)){
  stochastic(500)
  abline(h = mean(pop), col = "blue")
}
```

```
abline(h = Carrying(0.6, b1 = Calcb1(mean(rep(rnorm(1,60, 10), 50))), 0.125), col = "red")
```

```
print(mean(pop)) #for this particular run, 1779
print(Carrying(0.6, b1 = Calcb1(mean(rep(rnorm(1,60, 10), 50))), 0.125))
#for this particular run, 2092
```

#response: the mean population size does not match my calculated carrying capacity because the deterministic value is a predicted mean, whereas the stochastic model has varying rainfall, and is subject to change. One is higher and one is lower, and they shouldn't match! This is because the mean population size considers increase in species initially but also considers the plateauing phase.

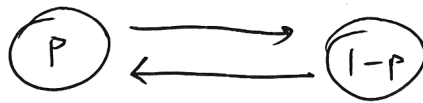


with a  $n$  of 0, then the system would be growing at its fastest rate given contribution from  $b_1$  (birth rate)

Question 2 (A.) Why does colonization rate equal to  $mp(1-p)$

~~they are~~ The components are  $p$  = fraction of all patches that are occupied at given time  
 $1-p$  = proportion that is empty.

They are multiplied together because of a bilinear relationship. When ~~at~~ there are empty patches, it is suitable to be ~~transmitted~~ transitioned to be occupied, whereas if there are more habitable patches, they are undergoing by a rate of  $m$  of transitioning to be empty. It is a bidirectional flow of exchanging from empty to occupied, and occupied to empty.



(B)

The 3 simplifying assumptions are:

- ① The landscape is homogeneous / the system is well-mixed
- ② Interactions of species are random between patches
- ③ All patches have same probability of being colonized

Leaving out:

- Local birth-death dynamics
- assuming  $m$  and  $e$  are the same for every patch, constant over time, independent of patch size, independent of distance of patch to other patches, independent of population density.
- leaving out rescue effect, do not account of external contribution
- do not account for an open-system.

2c

$$\frac{dp}{dt} = mp(1-p) - ep$$

$$\frac{dp}{dt} = 0 = mp(1-p) - ep$$

$p^* = 0$  and  $p^* = 1 - \frac{e}{m}$  is the equilibrium fraction of occupied patches. Where:

$$p^* = 1 - \frac{e}{m} ; m \neq 0 ; m \geq e \text{ for } p > 0$$

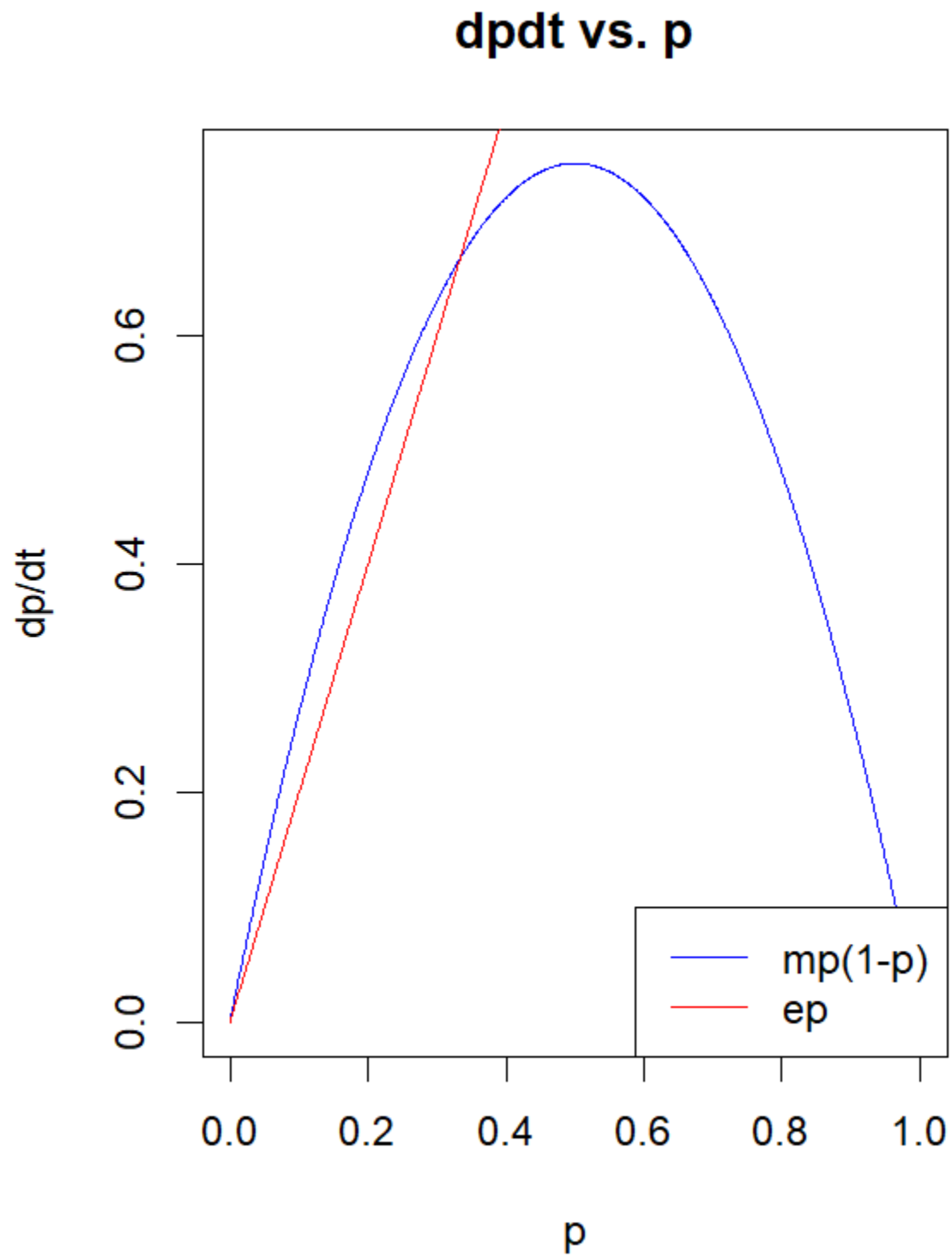
The significance of this equilibrium is that the metapopulations will persist if colonization exceeds extinction. The mathematical condition is  $m \geq e$

When  $e$  is 0, all sites are occupied. So unless extinction is 0, then not all sites are occupied. This condition makes biological sense because colonization must be the dominating value to propagate the population further.

colonization greater than extinction  $p^* = 1 - \frac{e}{m} ; m > e$

second case  $p^* = 0, e > m$

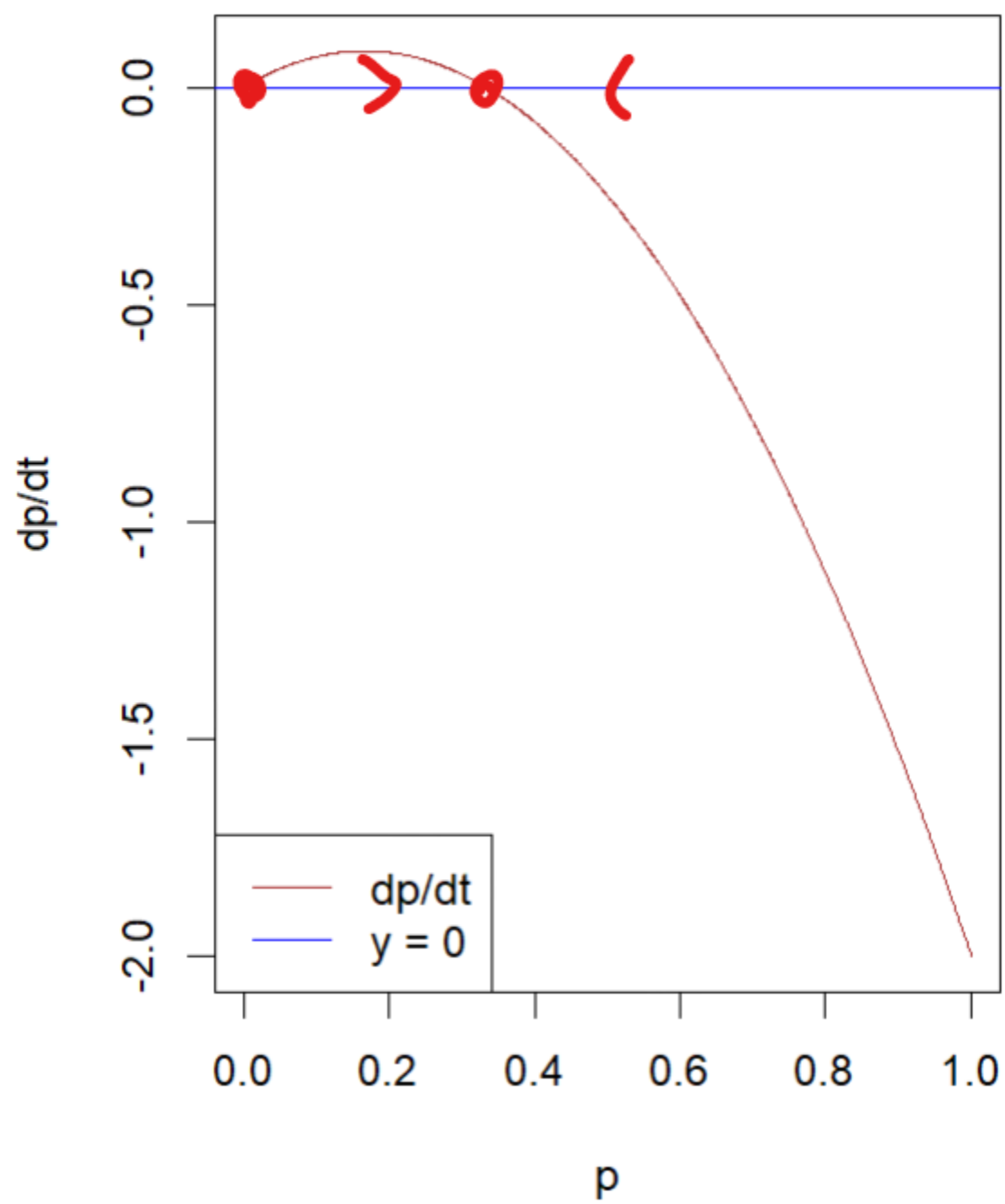
Question 2d.



Here is a plot of what happens when I separate out  $mp(1-p)$  and  $ep$ , and look for their intersection.



dpdt vs. p



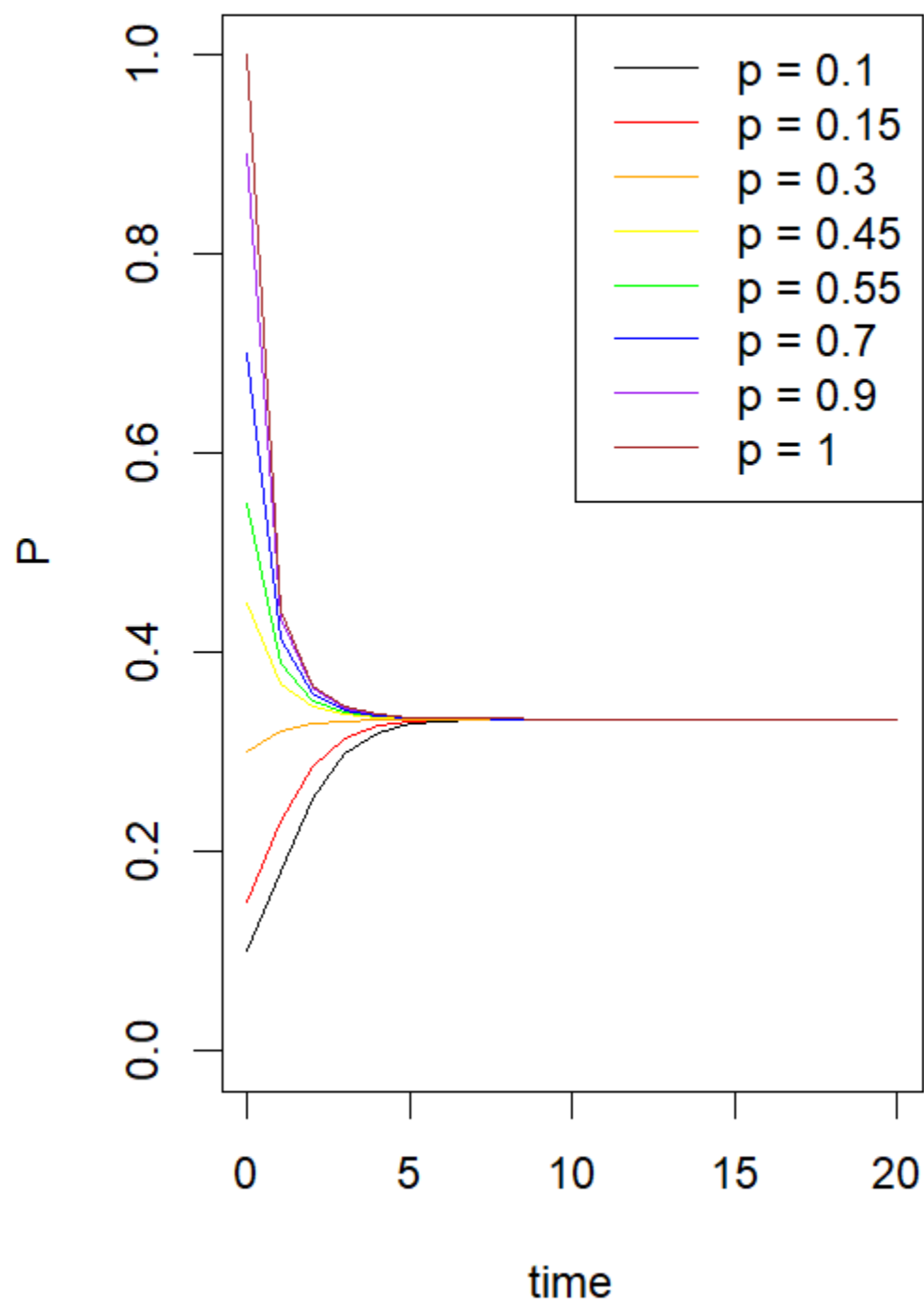
Code:

```
157 #Question 2d -----
158 p <- seq(0, 1, by = 0.001)
159 Pfunc <- function(m){
160   result <- (m*p*(1-p))
161 }
162
163 efunc <- function(e){
164   result1 <- e*p
165 }
166
167 plot(p, Pfunc(3), type="l", col = "blue", xlab="p", ylab="dp/dt", main = "dpdt vs. p")
168 lines(p, efunc(2), type="l", col = "red", xlab="p", ylab="dp/dt", main = "dpdt vs. ")
169 legend(x = "bottomright", legend = c("mp(1-p)", "ep"), col = c("blue", "red"), lty = 1)
170
171 Pfunction <- function(m, e){
172   result2 <- (m*p*(1-p)) - e*p
173 }
174 plot(p, Pfunction(3,2), type="l", col = "brown", xlab="p", ylab="dp/dt", main = "dpdt vs. p")
175 abline(h = 0, col="blue")
176 legend(x = "bottomleft", legend = c("dp/dt", "y = 0"), col = c("brown", "blue"), lty = 1)
177 # for visualization purposes, show intersection
178
```

Or we can do it the traditional way, where we locate when dpdt crosses the y axis. There are two equilibrium points, one at  $p^* = 0$  and the other at around  $p^* = \sim 0.3$ . The second equilibrium point is a stable equilibrium because the curve to the left is positive and the curve to the right is negative. The first equilibrium point at  $p^* = 0$  is unstable because we can't see the left curve's sign.

Question 2e.

### P vs. time



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Code:

```
246 # Question 2e
247 install.packages("deSolve")
248 library("deSolve")
249 init <- c(p = 0.1)
250 p <- seq(0, 20)
251 parms <- c(m = 3, e = 2)
252 PODE <- function(p, init, parms){
253   derivs <- (parms["m"]*init["p"]*(1-init["p"])) - (parms["e"]*init["p"])
254   return(list(derivs))
255 }
256 Poutput <- lsoda(init, p, PODE, parms)
257 head(Poutput)
258 plot(Poutput[,1], Poutput[,2], xlim = c(0, 20), ylim = c(0, 1), col = "black", type = "l",
259       xlab="time", ylab="P", main = "P vs. time")
260 |
261
262 init <- c(p = 0.15)
263 p <- seq(0, 20)
264 parms <- c(m = 3, e = 2)
265 PODE <- function(p, init, parms){
266   derivs <- (parms["m"]*init["p"]*(1-init["p"])) - (parms["e"]*init["p"])
267   return(list(derivs))
268 }
269 Poutput <- lsoda(init, p, PODE, parms)
270 lines(Poutput[,1], Poutput[,2], col = "red", type = "l", xlab="time", ylab="P",
271       main = "P vs. time")
272
273
274 init <- c(p = 0.3)
275 p <- seq(0, 20)
276 parms <- c(m = 3, e = 2)
277 PODE <- function(p, init, parms){
```

```

277 ▾ PODE <- function(p, init, parms){
278     derivs <- (parms["m"]*init["p"]*(1-init["p"])) - (parms["e"]*init["p"])
279     return(list(derivs))
280 ▴ }
281 POutput <- lsoda(init, p, PODE, parms)
282 lines(POutput[,1], POutput[,2], col = "orange", type = "l", xlab="time", ylab="P",
283     main = "P vs. time")
284
285
286
287 init <- c(p = 0.45)
288 p <- seq(0, 20)
289 parms <- c(m = 3, e = 2)
290 ▾ PODE <- function(p, init, parms){
291     derivs <- (parms["m"]*init["p"]*(1-init["p"])) - (parms["e"]*init["p"])
292     return(list(derivs))
293 ▴ }
294 POutput <- lsoda(init, p, PODE, parms)
295 lines(POutput[,1], POutput[,2], col = "yellow", type = "l", xlab="time",
296     ylab="P", main = "P vs. time")
297
298
299 init <- c(p = 0.55)
300 p <- seq(0, 20)
301 parms <- c(m = 3, e = 2)
302 ▾ PODE <- function(p, init, parms){
303     derivs <- (parms["m"]*init["p"]*(1-init["p"])) - (parms["e"]*init["p"])
304     return(list(derivs))
305 ▴ }
306 POutput <- lsoda(init, p, PODE, parms)
307 lines(POutput[,1], POutput[,2], col = "green", type = "l", xlab="time",
308     ylab="P", main = "P vs. time")
309
310
311 init <- c(p = 0.7)

```

```

311 init <- c(p = 0.7)
312 p <- seq(0, 20)
313 parms <- c(m = 3, e = 2)
314 PODE <- function(p, init, parms){
315   derivs <- (parms["m"]*init["p"]*(1-init["p"])) - (parms["e"]*init["p"])
316   return(list(derivs))
317 }
318 POutput <- lsoda(init, p, PODE, parms)
319 lines(POutput[,1], POutput[,2], col = "blue", type = "l", xlab="time",
320       ylab="P", main = "P vs. time")
321
322
323 init <- c(p = 0.9)
324 p <- seq(0, 20)
325 parms <- c(m = 3, e = 2)
326 PODE <- function(p, init, parms){
327   derivs <- (parms["m"]*init["p"]*(1-init["p"])) - (parms["e"]*init["p"])
328   return(list(derivs))
329 }
330 POutput <- lsoda(init, p, PODE, parms)
331 lines(POutput[,1], POutput[,2], col = "purple", type = "l", xlab="time",
332       ylab="P", main = "P vs. time")
333
334
335
336 init <- c(p = 1)
337 p <- seq(0, 20)
338 parms <- c(m = 3, e = 2)
339 PODE <- function(p, init, parms){
340   derivs <- (parms["m"]*init["p"]*(1-init["p"])) - (parms["e"]*init["p"])
341   return(list(derivs))
342 }
343 POutput <- lsoda(init, p, PODE, parms)
344 lines(POutput[,1], POutput[,2], col = "brown", type = "l", xlab="time",
345       ylab="P", main = "P vs. time")
346
347 legend(x = "topright", legend = c("p = 0.1", "p = 0.15", "p = 0.3",
348                                   "p = 0.45", "p = 0.55", "p = 0.7", "p = 0.9", "p = 1"),
349       col = c("black", "red", "orange", "yellow", "green", "blue",
350               "purple", "brown"), lty = 1)
351
352 head(POutput[15,]) #By running head(POutput[15,]), I estimated that
353 #the curve reached equilibrium point around timestamp 15, and it give us
354 #the correct value of 0.33335 as predicted by calculating  $P^* = 1-e/m$ 
355

```

# Question 2e

```
install.packages("deSolve")
```

```
library("deSolve")
```

```
init <- c(p = 0.1)
```

```
p <- seq(0, 20)
```

```
parms <- c(m = 3, e = 2)
```

```
PODE <- function(p, init, parms){
```

```
  derivs <- (parms["m"]*init["p"]*(1-init["p"])) - (parms["e"]*init["p"])
```

```
  return(list(derivs))
```

```
}
```

```

POutput <- lsoda(init, p, PODE, parms)
head(POutput)
plot(POutput[,1], POutput[,2], xlim = c(0, 20), ylim = c(0, 1), col = "black", type = "l",
      xlab="time", ylab="P", main = "P vs. time")

```

```

init <- c(p = 0.15)
p <- seq(0, 20)
parms <- c(m = 3, e = 2)
PODE <- function(p, init, parms){
  derivs <- (parms["m"]*init["p"]*(1-init["p"])) - (parms["e"]*init["p"])
  return(list(derivs))
}
POutput <- lsoda(init, p, PODE, parms)
lines(POutput[,1], POutput[,2], col = "red", type = "l", xlab="time", ylab="P",
      main = "P vs. time")

```

```

init <- c(p = 0.3)
p <- seq(0, 20)
parms <- c(m = 3, e = 2)
PODE <- function(p, init, parms){
  derivs <- (parms["m"]*init["p"]*(1-init["p"])) - (parms["e"]*init["p"])
  return(list(derivs))
}
POutput <- lsoda(init, p, PODE, parms)
lines(POutput[,1], POutput[,2], col = "orange", type = "l", xlab="time", ylab="P",
      main = "P vs. time")

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init <- c(p = 0.45)
p <- seq(0, 20)
parms <- c(m = 3, e = 2)
PODE <- function(p, init, parms){
  derivs <- (parms["m"]*init["p"]*(1-init["p"])) - (parms["e"]*init["p"])
  return(list(derivs))
}
POutput <- lsoda(init, p, PODE, parms)
lines(POutput[,1], POutput[,2], col = "yellow", type = "l", xlab="time",
      ylab="P", main = "P vs. time")

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init <- c(p = 0.55)

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p <- seq(0, 20)
parms <- c(m = 3, e = 2)
PODE <- function(p, init, parms) {
  derivs <- (parms["m"]*init["p"]*(1-init["p"])) - (parms["e"]*init["p"])
  return(list(derivs))
}
POutput <- lsoda(init, p, PODE, parms)
lines(POutput[,1], POutput[,2], col = "green", type = "l", xlab="time",
      ylab="P", main = "P vs. time")

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init <- c(p = 0.7)
p <- seq(0, 20)
parms <- c(m = 3, e = 2)
PODE <- function(p, init, parms) {
  derivs <- (parms["m"]*init["p"]*(1-init["p"])) - (parms["e"]*init["p"])
  return(list(derivs))
}
POutput <- lsoda(init, p, PODE, parms)
lines(POutput[,1], POutput[,2], col = "blue", type = "l", xlab="time",
      ylab="P", main = "P vs. time")

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init <- c(p = 0.9)
p <- seq(0, 20)
parms <- c(m = 3, e = 2)
PODE <- function(p, init, parms) {
  derivs <- (parms["m"]*init["p"]*(1-init["p"])) - (parms["e"]*init["p"])
  return(list(derivs))
}
POutput <- lsoda(init, p, PODE, parms)
lines(POutput[,1], POutput[,2], col = "purple", type = "l", xlab="time",
      ylab="P", main = "P vs. time")

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init <- c(p = 1)
p <- seq(0, 20)
parms <- c(m = 3, e = 2)
PODE <- function(p, init, parms) {
  derivs <- (parms["m"]*init["p"]*(1-init["p"])) - (parms["e"]*init["p"])
  return(list(derivs))
}
POutput <- lsoda(init, p, PODE, parms)

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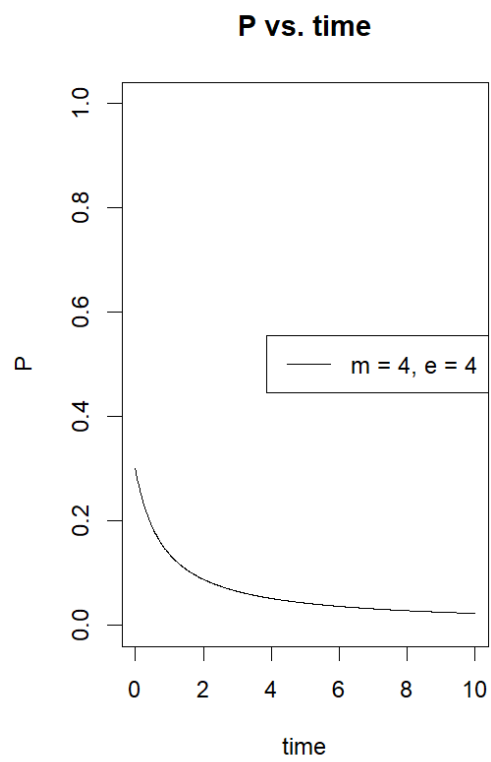
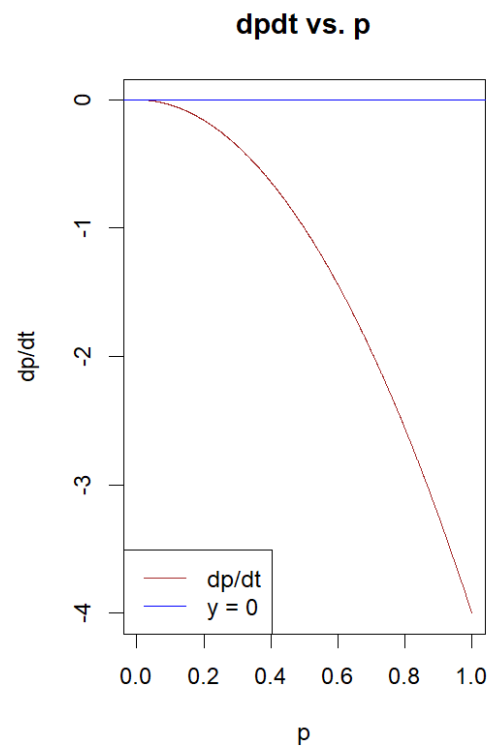
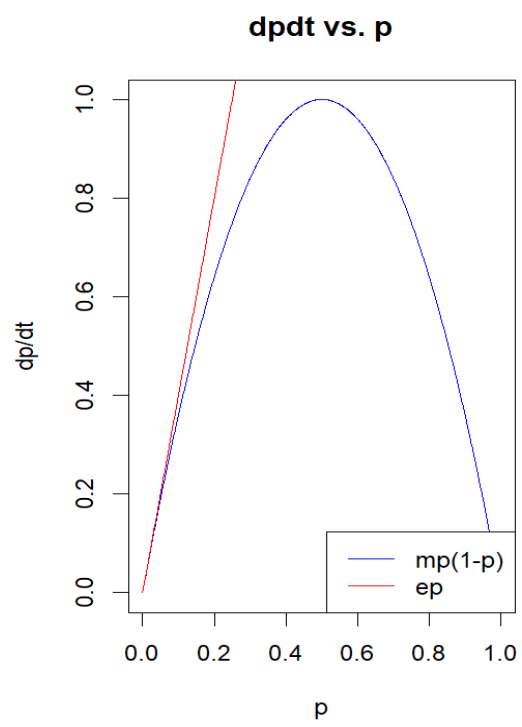
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lines(POutput[,1], POutput[,2], col = "brown", type = "l", xlab="time",  
      ylab="P", main = "P vs. time")
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legend(x = "topright", legend = c("p = 0.1", "p = 0.15", "p = 0.3",  
                                  "p = 0.45", "p = 0.55", "p = 0.7", "p = 0.9", "p = 1"),  
      col = c("black", "red", "orange", "yellow", "green", "blue",  
              "purple", "brown"), lty = 1)
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head(POutput[15,]) #By running head(POutput[15,]), I estimated that  
#the curve reached equilibrium point around timestamp 15, and it give us  
#the correct value of 0.33335 as predicted by calculating  $P^* = 1-e/m$ 
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Interpretation: I can confirm my prediction that the equilibrium of the metapopulation is located around  $p = 0.3$ . The curve has reached equilibrium around timestep 15, and the  $p$  is 0.3335.

2f.



Code:

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357 # 2f.
358 p <- seq(0, 1, by = 0.001)
359 Pfunc <- function(m){
360   result <- (m*p*(1-p))
361 }
362
363 efunc <- function(e){
364   result1 <- e*p
365 }
366
367 plot(p, Pfunc(4), type="l", col="blue", xlab="p", ylab="dp/dt", main="dpdt vs. p")
368 lines(p, efunc(4), type="l", col="red", xlab="p", ylab="dp/dt", main="dpdt vs. ")
369 legend(x="bottomright", legend=c("mp(1-p)", "ep"), col=c("blue", "red"), lty=1)
370
371 Pfunction <- function(m, e){
372   result2 <- (m*p*(1-p)) - e*p
373 }
374 plot(p, Pfunction(4,4), type="l", col="brown", xlab="p", ylab="dp/dt", main="dpdt vs. p")
375 abline(h=0, col="blue")
376 legend(x="bottomleft", legend=c("dp/dt", "y=0"), col=c("brown", "blue"), lty=1)
377
378 init <- c(p=0.3)
379 p <- seq(0, 10, 0.01)
380 parms <- c(m=4, e=4)
381 PODE <- function(p, init, parms){
382   derivs <- (parms["m"]*init["p"]*(1-init["p"])) - (parms["e"]*init["p"])
383   return(list(derivs))
384 }
385 POutput <- lsode(init, p, PODE, parms)
386 head(POutput)
387 plot(POutput[,1], POutput[,2], xlim=c(0, 10), ylim=c(0, 1), col="black", type="l",
388       xlab="time", ylab="P", main="P vs. time")
389
390 legend(x="right", legend=c("m=4, e=4"), col=c("black"), lty=1)

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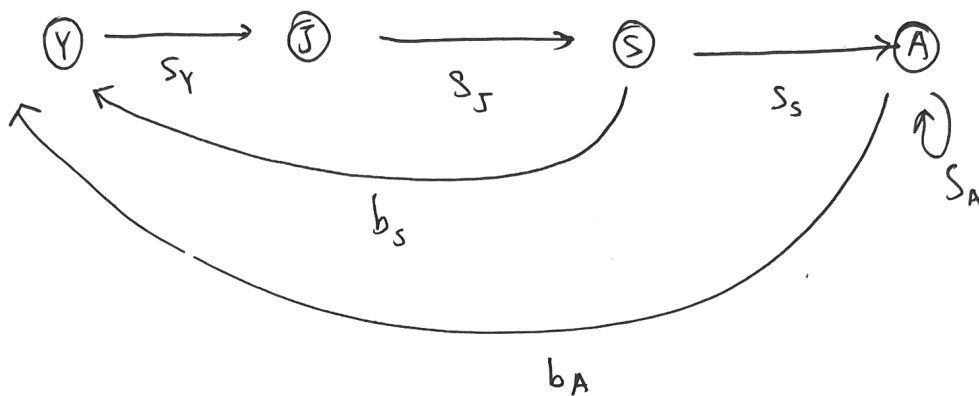
Interpretation: for  $m = 4$  and  $e = 4$ , the  $dp/dt$  vs.  $p$  graph shows that there is only one unstable equilibrium point at  $p^* = 0$ . In the  $P$  vs. time graph, there is a change in the stability convergence trend, where  $p$  tends to 0 instead of 0.333 like previously with  $m = 3$  and  $e = 2$ . We can conclude that the behavior is different.

2g. The model is related to the continuous-time logistic growth model by both concerning the persistence of the species with time. Where the logistic growth model is considering the dynamics of carrying capacity and population size, the metapopulation sees patch availability proportion and how this availability of land can influence colonization and extinction rate. Both dynamics, if picking the right parameters, will have equilibrium points.

Question 3

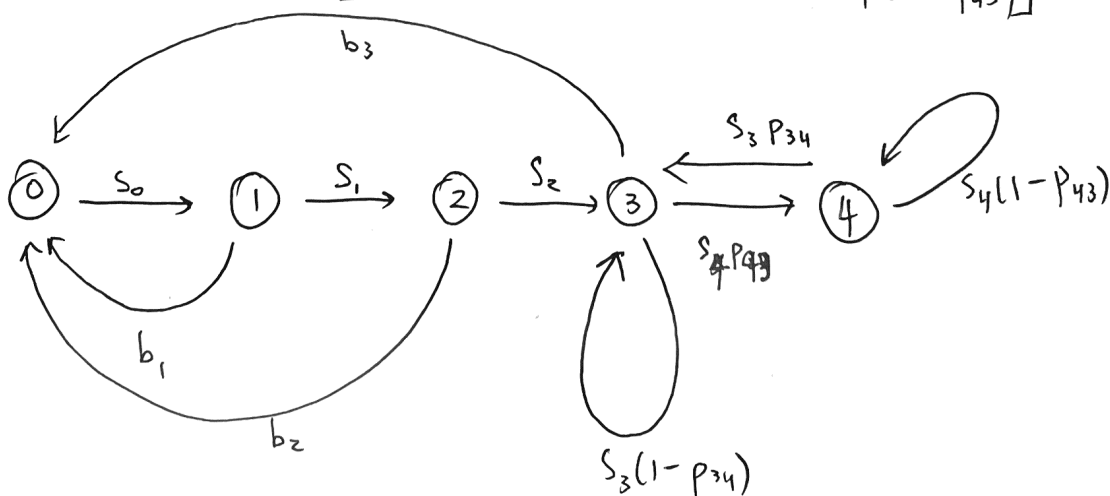
(A)

$$L = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & b_s & b_A \\ s_Y & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & s_J & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & s_s & s_A \end{bmatrix}$$



(B)

$$L = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & b_1 & b_2 & b_3 & 0 \\ s_0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & s_1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & s_2 & s_3(1-p_{34}) & s_4 p_{43} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & s_2 p_{34} & s_4(1-p_{43}) \end{bmatrix}$$



Question 3C.

$$L = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & b & b & b & b & b \\ S_0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & S_1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & S_2 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & S_3 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ \textcircled{0} & 0 & 0 & 0 & S_4 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & S_5 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$L = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & b \\ \textcircled{0} S_0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & S_1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

The stage-structured matrix is not an exact match because we have reduced the specificity of the parameters in the age-structured model, the  $b_2$ ,  $b_3$ ,  $b_4$ ,  $b_5$ ,  $b_6$  are condensed into  $b_2$ , which is nonspecific.

(3D)

L =

$$\begin{matrix} & \begin{matrix} 0 & 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 & 6 \end{matrix} \\ \begin{matrix} 0 \\ P_{01} \\ P_{02} \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{matrix} & \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & b_5 & b_6 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & c_6 \\ P_{12} & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & P_{13} & P_{23} & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & P_{34} & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & P_{35} & 0 & s_5 & P_{65} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & P_{36} & P_{46} & P_{56} & S_6 \end{bmatrix} \end{matrix} \begin{matrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \\ 4 \\ 5 \\ 6 \end{matrix}$$