

# Multi-Dimensional Dynamic Systems

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## Exercise 2, Dynamic systems

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```
library(tidyverse)
library(deSolve)
library(ggpubr)
```

### 1. Lotka-Volterra predator-prey equations

Lotka-Volterra (LV) predator-prey equations are given by the following system of differential equations:

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{dn}{dt} &= rn - anp \\ \frac{dp}{dt} &= anp - \mu p\end{aligned}$$

Where  $n(t)$  is the prey population,  $p(t)$  is the predator population,  $r$  is the intrinsic prey growth rate,  $a$  is the predation rate (*attack rate*), and  $\mu$  is the predator death rate (*mortality*).

a) Write the *isoclines* of the system.

“What will the **predator** population be when the **prey** population growth equals zero?” Meaning, there is a sweet spot in predator population where the prey population is stable. This is called the *prey isocline* and *vice versa*. This value is called the *isocline* because it is the line where the population is stable.

Thus, solve each *differential equation* at a time (equal to zero) and we will get the corresponding population value to keep the other value at 0 growth.

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{dn}{dt} = 0 &\Leftrightarrow rn - anp = 0 \Leftrightarrow n(r - ap) = 0 \\ \frac{dp}{dt} = 0 &\Leftrightarrow anp - \mu p = 0 \Leftrightarrow p(an - \mu) = 0\end{aligned}$$

We get two trivial equilibrium points,  $n = 0, p = 0$  and two equilibrium points of interest:

$$\text{Prey: } p = \frac{r}{a}, \quad \text{Predator: } n = \frac{\mu}{a}$$

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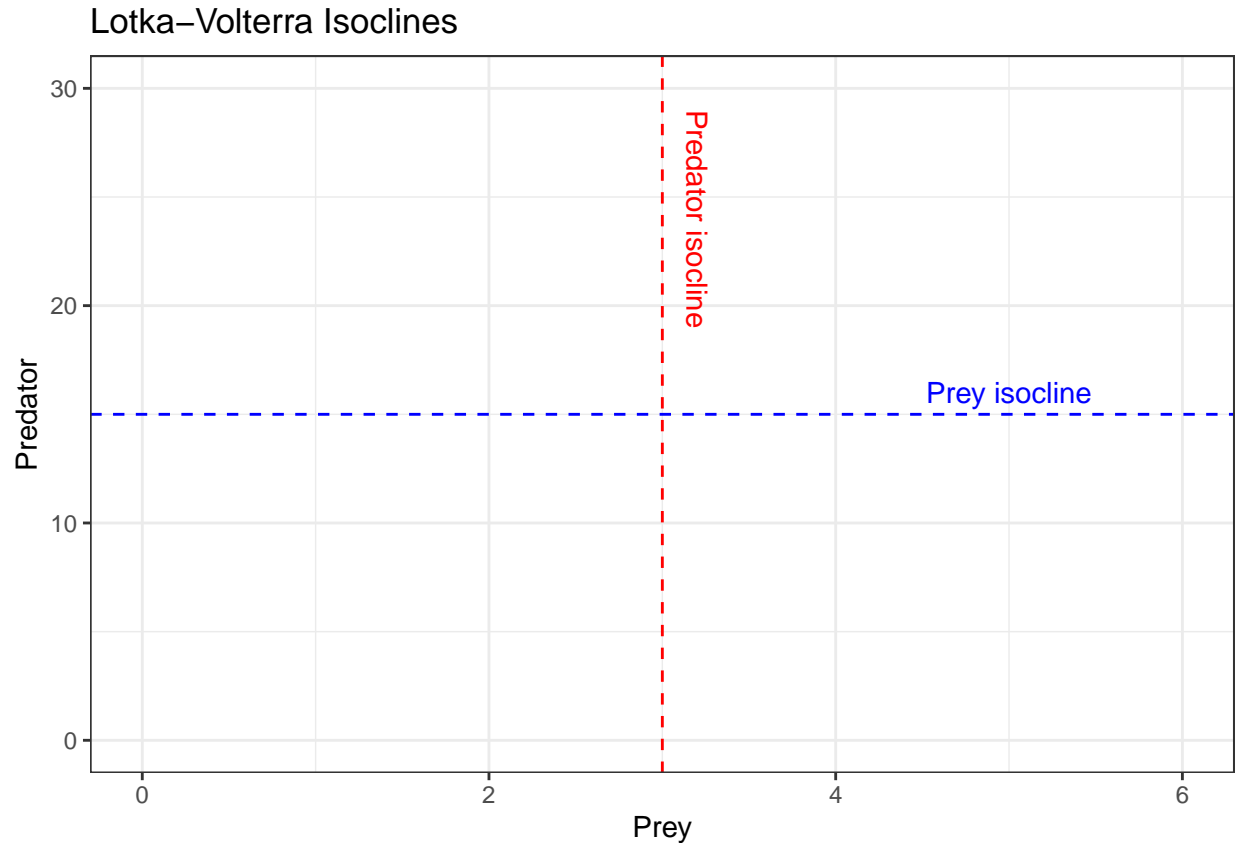
# Define the function for LV isoclines
LV_iso <- function(r, a, mu){
  ne <- r/a
  pe <- mu/a
  return(list(preying_iso = ne, pred_iso = pe))
}

# Define the parameters
P <- list(r = 3,
          a = 0.2,
          mu = 0.6
        )
isoc <- LV_iso(P$r, P$a, P$mu)

# Plot the isoclines

# Create a blank ggplot object with the axes limits where i add the isoclines
# using horizontal and vertical lines.
ggplot() +
  geom_hline(yintercept = isoc$preying_iso, color = "blue", linetype = "dashed") +
  geom_vline(xintercept = isoc$pred_iso, color = "red", linetype = "dashed") +
  labs(x = "Prey", y = "Predator") +
  # Multiply by 2 as the isoclines are the equilibrium points.
  xlim(0, isoc$pred_iso*2) +
  ylim(0, isoc$preying_iso*2) +
  theme_bw() +
  annotate("text", x = 5, y = 16, label = "Prey isocline", color = "blue") +
  annotate("text", x = 3.2, y = 24, label = "Predator isocline", color = "red",
          angle = -90) +
  ggtitle("Lotka-Volterra Isoclines")

```



**b) Simulate using `ode()` and plot a time-plot and phase-plane plot.**

Run simulations with `ode()` from `deSolve` in R. Use two state variables: prey and predator densities. Return their time derivatives as a vector in a list. Simulate the system, outputting a matrix with time, prey density, and predator density. Plot both populations over time and create a phase-plane plot (predator vs. prey). Incorporate isoclines using `LV_iso()`.

1. **Simulation Setup:** Utilize the `ode()` function from the `deSolve` package.
2. **State Variables:** Focus on two variables - prey and predator densities.
3. **Output Format:** System function should return a list with a vector of these time derivatives.
4. **Run Simulation:** Generate a matrix output with columns for time, prey density, and predator density.
5. **Plotting:** - Create a time plot showing both populations. - Construct a phase-plane plot with predator vs. prey densities.
6. **Isoclines:** Use `LV_iso()` function to add isoclines to the phase-plane plot.

```
# Define the function for LV isoclines
LV_iso <- function(r, a, mu){
  ne <- r/a
  pe <- mu/a
  return(list(prey_iso = ne, pred_iso = pe))
}
```

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# LV system function
LV_sys <- function(t, np, P){
  # State variables
  n <- np[1]
  p <- np[2]

  # Differential equations
  dndt <- P$r*n - P$a*n*p
  dpdt <- P$a*n*p - P$mu*p

  return(list(c(dndt, dpdt)))
}

# Define the parameters
P2 <- list(
  r = 2,
  a = 1,
  mu = 2
)

# Define the initial population size
np0 <- c(n = 2, p = 1)

# Time range
time_vec <- seq(0, 10, 0.1)

# Run the simulation
res_sim <- ode(y = np0, times = time_vec, func = LV_sys, parms = P2)

# Pivot the data to a long formatted dataframe
df_sim <- res_sim %>%
  as.data.frame() %>%
  pivot_longer(cols = c("n", "p"), names_to = "Species",
               values_to = "Population")

# Calculate the isoclines
isoc <- LV_iso(P2$r, P2$a, P2$mu)

# Plotting the results
timeplot <- df_sim %>%
  ggplot(aes(x = time, y = Population, color = Species)) +
  geom_line() +
  scale_color_manual(values = c("blue", "red")) +
  theme_bw() +
  labs(x = "Time", y = "Population") +
  ggtitle("Lotka-Volterra Predator-Prey Simulation")

# Phase plane plot
phase_plane <- df_sim %>%
  pivot_wider(names_from = Species, values_from = Population) %>%
  ggplot(aes(x = n, y = p)) +
  geom_path() +

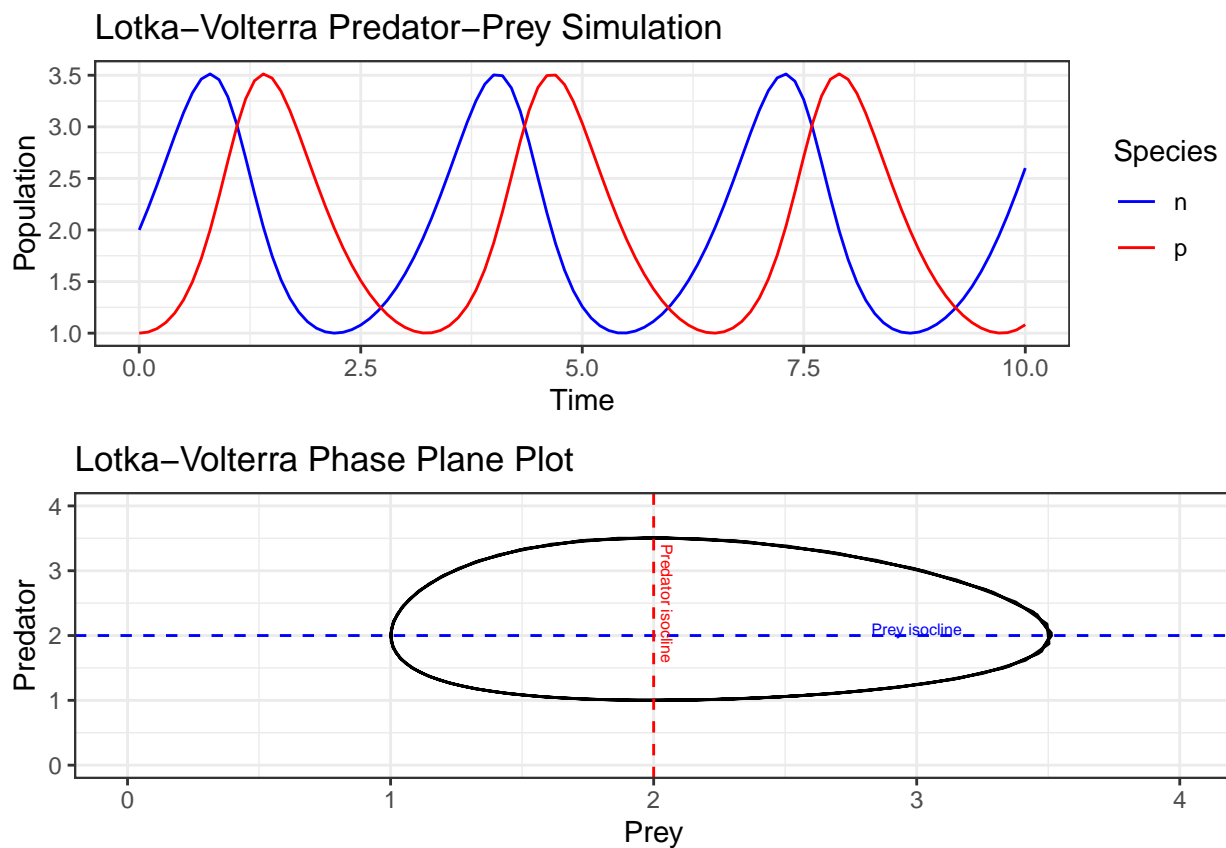
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geom_hline(yintercept = isoc$prey_iso, color = "blue", linetype = "dashed") +
geom_vline(xintercept = isoc$pred_iso, color = "red", linetype = "dashed") +
labs(x = "Prey", y = "Predator") +
# Multiply by 2 as the isoclines are the equilibrium points.
xlim(0, isoc$pred_iso*2) +
ylim(0, isoc$prey_iso*2) +
theme_bw() +
annotate("text", x = isoc$pred_iso+1, y = isoc$prey_iso+0.1,
         label = "Prey isocline", color = "blue", size = 2) +
annotate("text", x = isoc$pred_iso+0.05, y = isoc$prey_iso+0.5,
         label = "Predator isocline", color = "red", angle = -90, size = 2) +
ggtitle("Lotka-Volterra Phase Plane Plot")

ggarrange(timeplot, phase_plane, ncol = 1, nrow = 2)

```



### c) Calculate the Jacobian matrix

To determine the stability of an equilibrium, one should calculate the *Jacobian* matrix of the system at the equilibrium point. If all *eigenvalues* of the Jacobian matrix have a **negative real part**, the equilibrium is stable.

Calculate the Jacobian matrix for the system at the equilibrium point. Write a function that takes three parameters ( $r, a, \mu$ ) as input and returns the Jacobian matrix as output. We have extended the LV equation with  $c$  as the conversion efficiency of prey to predator biomass:

$$\frac{dn}{dt} = f_n(n, p) = rn - anp$$

$$\frac{dp}{dt} = f_p(n, p) = canp - \mu p$$

i) **Calculating the Jacobian matrix:** The partial derivative of  $f_n$  with respect to  $n$  is written  $\frac{\partial f_n}{\partial n}$ . It can be interpreted as the slope of the surface parallel to the  $n$ -axis. It is calculated by ‘pretending’ that all other variables ( $p$ ) are constant, and vice versa for  $\frac{\partial f_n}{\partial p}$ .

Thus the partial derivatives of  $f_n$  and  $f_p$  are:

$$\frac{\partial f_n}{\partial n} = r - ap, \quad \frac{\partial f_n}{\partial p} = -an$$

$$\frac{\partial f_p}{\partial n} = cap, \quad \frac{\partial f_p}{\partial p} = can - \mu$$

Giving us the *Jacobian matrix*:

$$J = \begin{bmatrix} r - ap & -an \\ cap & can - \mu \end{bmatrix}$$

Now, with the added conversion efficiency  $c$ , the equilibrium points are:

$$\text{Prey: } p = \frac{r}{a}, \quad \text{Predator: } n = \frac{\mu}{ca}$$

Lets test the function with these as well.

```
# LV Jacobian matrix
LV_jac <- function(np, P){
  r <- P$r
  a <- P$a
  mu <- P$mu
  c <- P$c
  n <- np[1]
  p <- np[2]

  J <- matrix(c(r-a*p, -a*n, c*a*p, c*a*n-mu), nrow = 2, ncol = 2)

  return(J)
}

# Define the parameters
P3 <- list(
  r = 2,
  a = 1,
  mu = 2,
  c = 1
)

# Define initial population
np <- c(n = 2, p = 1)
```

```
# The non-trivial equilibrium points
np_eq <- c(n = P3$mu/(P3$c*P3$a), p = P3$r/P3$a)
```

```
# The Jacobian matrix
LV_jac(np, P3)
```

```
##      [,1] [,2]
## [1,]    1    1
## [2,]   -2    0
```

```
# The Jacobian matrix at the equilibrium point
LV_jac(np_eq, P3)
```

```
##      [,1] [,2]
## [1,]    0    2
## [2,]   -2    0
```

#### d) Calculate the eigenvalues of the Jacobian matrix

Use the LV\_jac() function to calculate the Jacobian for a set of parameter values. Also calculate the cycle period associated with the complex eigenvalues. Is it a good approximation of the length of the actual cycles?

```
# The Jacobian matrix
J <- LV_jac(np_eq, P3)

eigenval <- eigen(J)

# Compare the eigenvalues to the cycle period
2*pi/Im(eigenval$values[1])
```

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## [1] 3.141593
```