

★ Section 6.3

Ecological Models:

Predators & Competitors

Warm up:

The autonomous system:

$$x' = 3x + 7y + 8xy = F(x,y)$$

$$y' = -x + 2y - 8xy = G(x,y)$$

has a critical point @ (0,0)

Find the associated linear system at (0,0).

Find the Jacobian $\underline{J} = \begin{bmatrix} F_x & F_y \\ G_x & G_y \end{bmatrix}$

$$\underline{J}(0,0) = \begin{bmatrix} 3+8y & 7+8x \\ -1-8y & 2-8x \end{bmatrix} \Big|_{(0,0)} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 7 \\ -1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

Associated linear system:

$$\underline{x}' = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 7 \\ -1 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \underline{x}$$

I. Predator-Prey Model :

Consider a model of two species populations

 $x(t)$ - population of prey (rabbits) $y(t)$ - population of predators (foxes)

Alone, each population has exponential growth or decay

$$\frac{dx}{dt} = ax$$

rabbits grow exp.

$$\frac{dy}{dt} = -by \quad \left(\begin{array}{l} \text{assume} \\ a, b > 0 \end{array} \right)$$

fox pop decays

When both rabbits and foxes live in same habitat

- rabbit pop declines (eaten by foxes)
- fox pop. grows (increased food supply)

Announcements:

HWS-8 + A2 due Tues Jun 29

Midterm 1 on Thursday July 1

- study guide
- practice on BS
- FAQ on Piazza
- request review topics on Piazza

- rabbit pop declines (carried by foxes)
- fox pop. grows (increased food supply)
- both changes are proportional to each other

Predator - Prey Model:

$$\frac{dx}{dt} = ax - pxy = x(a - py)$$

$$\frac{dy}{dt} = -by + qxy = y(-b + qx)$$

exp growth/decay
predation

Ex: $\begin{cases} x' = 10x - 2xy \\ y' = -21y + 3xy \end{cases}$

Analyze this model \rightarrow Linearize around c.p.

1. Find the critical points

$$10x - 2xy = 0$$

$$2x(5 - y) = 0$$

$$x = 0$$

$$y = 5$$

$$-21y + 3xy = 0$$

$$\boxed{x=0 \quad \begin{matrix} -21y=0 \\ y=0 \end{matrix}}$$

$$-21(\cancel{5}) + 3x(\cancel{5}) = 0$$

$$\boxed{y=5 \quad \begin{matrix} 3x=21 \\ x=7 \end{matrix}}$$

Two critical points: $(0,0)$ and $(7,5)$

2. Find the Jacobian $\underline{J} = \begin{bmatrix} 10 - 2y & -2x \\ 3y & -21 + 3x \end{bmatrix}$

3. Linearize around each c.p. and classify its type and stability

@ $(0,0)$ $J(0,0) = \begin{bmatrix} 10 & 0 \\ 0 & -21 \end{bmatrix}$

Linear system:
 $x' = \underline{J}x$

@ (0,0)

$$J(0,0) = \begin{bmatrix} 10 & 0 \\ 0 & -21 \end{bmatrix}$$

Linear system:
 $x' = Jx$

Find the eigenvalues of J

$$\lambda^2 - T\lambda + D = 0$$
$$\lambda^2 + 11\lambda - 210 = 0$$
$$(\lambda + 21)(\lambda - 10) = 0$$

$$T = -11$$
$$D = -210$$

$$\lambda = 10, -21$$

so (0,0) is a saddle point
and because $\lambda = 10 > 0$ is $\oplus \rightarrow$ (0,0) is unstable

@ (7,5) $J(7,5) = \begin{bmatrix} 10 - 2 \cdot 5 & -2 \cdot 7 \\ 3 \cdot 5 & -21 + 3 \cdot 7 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -14 \\ 15 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$

Find the eigenvalues $\lambda = \pm i\sqrt{210}$

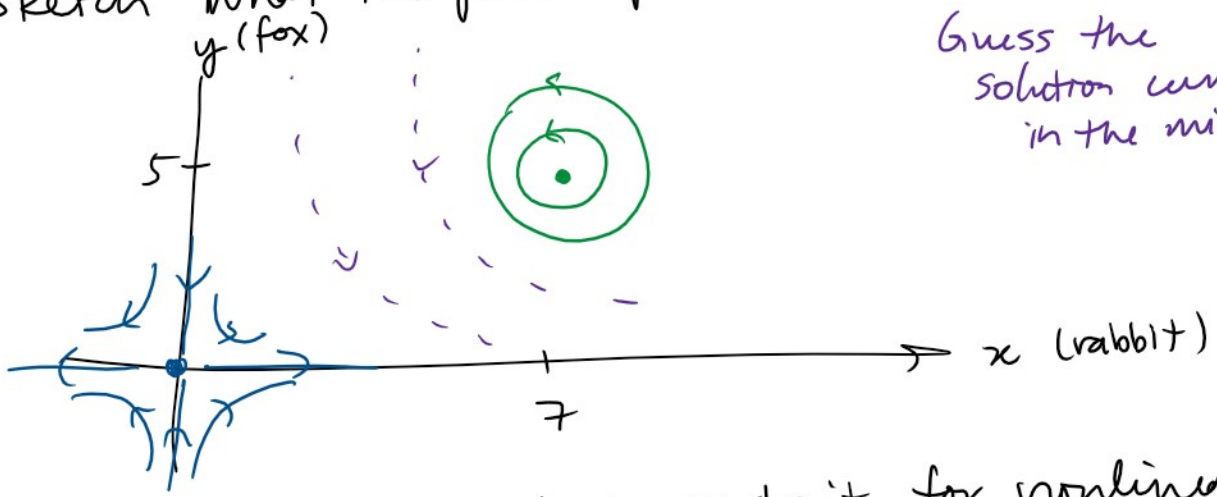
(7,5) is a center

and $\text{Re}(\lambda) = \text{Re}(\pm i\sqrt{210}) = 0 \rightarrow$ stable

local approximation \rightarrow

(Need to check that this holds for nonlinear systems)

3. Sketch what the phase portrait looks like locally

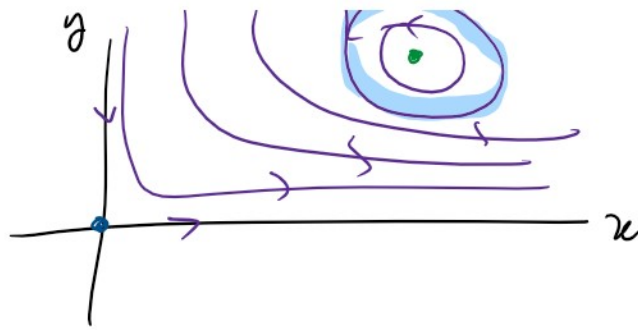


Guess the solution curves in the middle

Check against the phase portrait for nonlinear system



compute w/ pplane 8

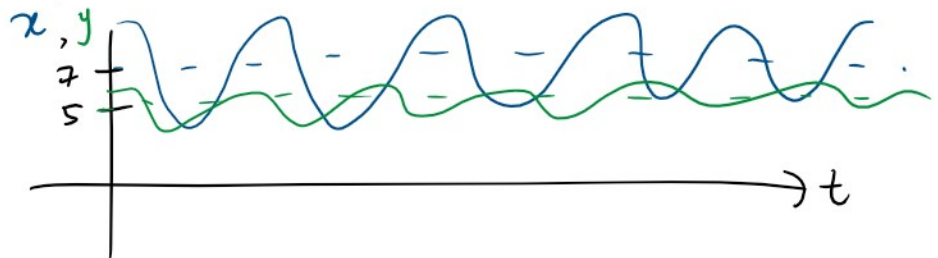


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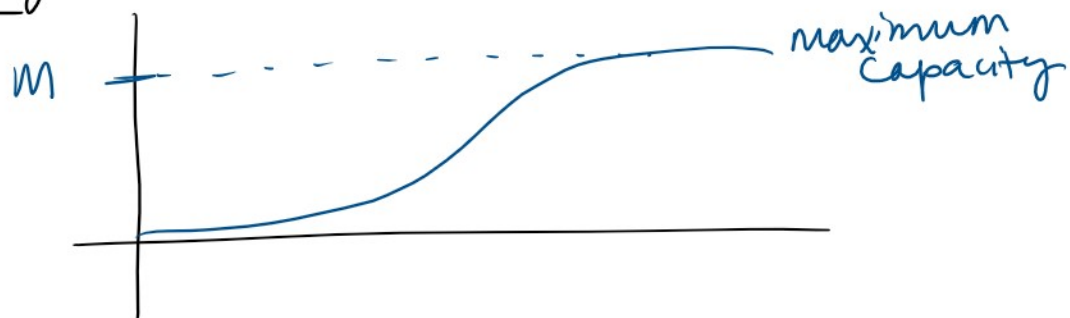
Q: What does this mean in terms of rabbits and foxes,

If at $t=0$ $x(0) > 0$ and $y(0) > 0$

then as $t \rightarrow \infty$, the populations will orbit around $(7, 5)$



Now, let's suppose that rabbits $x(t)$ grow logistically ($x' = ax - bx^2$)



Q: How does logistic growth affect the predator-prey model?

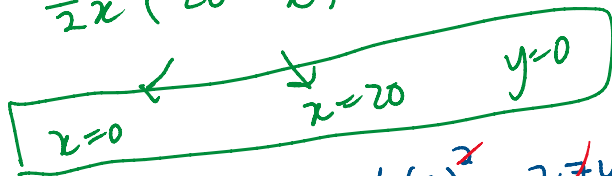
Ex:
$$\begin{cases} x' = 10x - \frac{1}{2}x^2 - 2xy \\ y' = -21y + 3xy \end{cases}$$

1. Find the critical points:

$$10x - \frac{1}{2}x^2 - 2xy = 0$$

$$10x - \frac{1}{2}x^2 = 0$$

$$\frac{1}{2}x(20-x) = 0$$



$$-21y + 3xy = 0$$

$$3y(x-7) = 0$$

$$y=0$$

$$x=7$$

$$10 \cdot 7 - \frac{1}{2}(7)^2 - 2 \cdot 7y = 0$$

$$\frac{13}{2} = \frac{20-7}{2} = 10 - \frac{7}{2} = 2y$$

$$\boxed{y = \frac{13}{4} \quad x = 7}$$

Three critical points:

$$\begin{pmatrix} (0, 0) \\ (20, 0) \\ (7, \frac{13}{4}) \end{pmatrix}$$

2. Linearize around each c.p.

Find the Jacobian

$$\underline{\underline{J}} = \begin{bmatrix} 10-x-2y & -2x \\ 3y & -21+3x \end{bmatrix}$$

3. Evaluate the linear at each c.p.

@ (0,0) $\underline{\underline{J}} = \begin{bmatrix} 10 & 0 \\ 0 & -21 \end{bmatrix}$

$$\lambda = -21, 10$$

saddle point
unstable

@ (20,0) $\underline{\underline{J}} = \begin{bmatrix} -10 & -40 \\ 0 & 39 \end{bmatrix}$

$$\lambda = 39, -10$$

saddle point
unstable

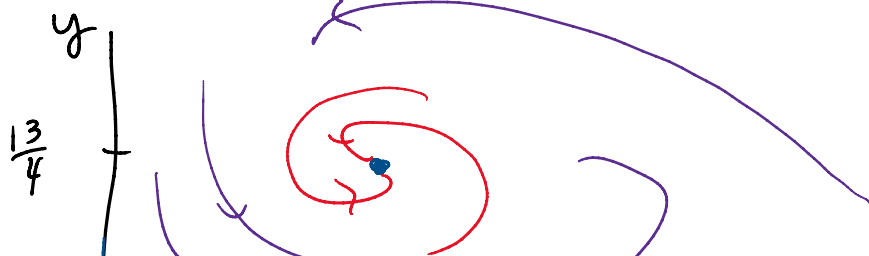
@ (7, $\frac{13}{4}$) $\underline{\underline{J}} = \begin{bmatrix} -7/2 & -14 \\ 39/4 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$

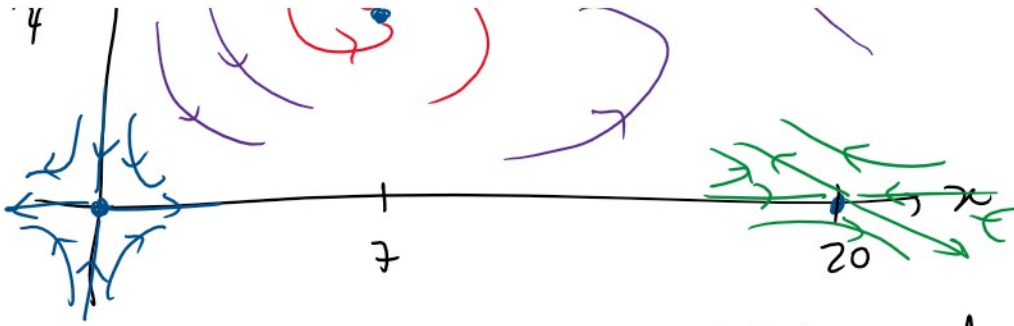
$$\lambda = -\frac{7}{4} \pm i\sqrt{\frac{2135}{4}}$$

$$\text{Re}(\lambda) < 0$$

spiral sink
asymptotically
stable

4. Sketch local phase portraits





5. Interpret in terms of rabbits and foxes
as $t \rightarrow \infty$

$$x \longrightarrow 7 \text{ (rabbits)}$$

$$y \longrightarrow \frac{13}{4} \text{ (foxes)}$$

populations converge to a single value
"coexistence"

II. Competitors:

$x(t)$ - rabbits

$y(t)$ - deer

- both eat vegetation

- neither preys on the other

> competition model

Equations:

$$\frac{dx}{dt} =$$

$$a_1 x - b_1 x^2$$

$$- c_1 x y$$

$$\frac{dy}{dt} =$$

$$a_2 y - b_2 y^2$$

$$- c_2 x y$$

logistic growth

competition for resources

(both negative)

Note: $a_i, b_i, c_i > 0$

Rewrite:

$$x' = x (a_1 - b_1 x - c_1 y)$$

$$y' = y (a_2 - b_2 y - c_2 x)$$

This system has four critical points:
• - = (0,0)

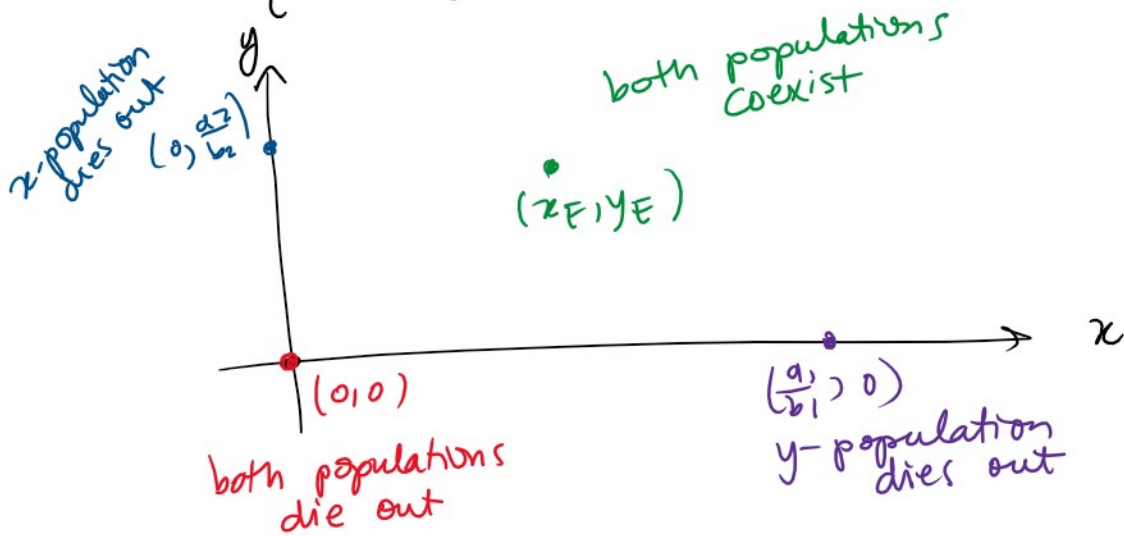
This system has four critical r

$$x=0, \text{ and } y=0 \rightarrow (0,0)$$

$$\text{if } x=0 \rightarrow a_2 - b_2 y = 0 \rightarrow (0, \frac{a_2}{b_2})$$

$$\text{if } y=0 \rightarrow a_1 - b_1 x = 0 \rightarrow (\frac{a_1}{b_1}, 0)$$

$$\text{if } \begin{cases} a_1 - b_1 x - c_1 y = 0 \\ a_2 - b_2 y - c_2 x = 0 \end{cases} \text{ call the solution } (x_E, y_E)$$



Often coexistence is a goal.

WANT: (x_E, y_E) to be stable

Coexistence Criteria:

If $c_1, c_2 < b_1 b_2$

Competition
Inhibition

then (x_E, y_E) is an asymptotically stable critical point

then the 2 species coexist.

← to calculate \underline{J}

Ex:

$$x' = 30x - 3x^2 + xy = x(30 - 3x + y)$$

$$y' = 60y - 3y^2 + 4xy = y(60 - 3y + 4x)$$

Find the critical point for coexistence: (x_E, y_E)

$$30 - 3x + y = 0$$

$$y = 3x - 30$$

$$y = 3(30) - 30$$
$$y = 60$$

$$60 - 3y + 4x = 0$$

$$60 - 3(3x - 30) + 4x = 0$$

$$60 - 9x + 90 + 4x = 0$$

$$150 = 5x$$

$$x = 30$$

$$(x_E, y_E) = (30, 60)$$

WANT: $(30, 60)$ to be stable or asymptotically stable

@ $(30, 60)$ $\underline{\underline{J}} = \begin{bmatrix} -90 & 30 \\ 240 & -180 \end{bmatrix}$ $\lambda = -15(9 \pm \sqrt{41})$

$$\lambda < 0$$

improper nodal sink

asymptotically stable

→ coexistence