

HW 11 Solutions

$$u_t = au + (u-1)v \quad := f(u, v)$$

$$v_t = -bv + (1-v)u \quad := g(u, v).$$

(a) Without competition,  $u = u_0 e^{at}$  (exponential growth), while  
 $v = v_0 e^{-bt}$  (exponential decay)

		$u < 1$	$u > 1$
		$v \downarrow, v \uparrow$ V PRED, U PREY	$v \uparrow, v \uparrow$ SYMBIOSIS
$v < 1$	$u < 1$	$u \downarrow, v \downarrow$ COMPETITION	$u \uparrow, v \downarrow$ U PRED, V PREY
	$u > 1$		

(c)  $(0, 0)$  is always SS.  $\neq 1$ .

Second steady state

$$au + (u-1)v = 0 \rightarrow v = -\frac{au}{u-1}$$

$$-bv + (1-v)u = 0$$

$$\hookrightarrow \frac{abu}{u-1} + (1 + \frac{au}{u-1})u = 0$$

$$abu + u(u-1) + au^2 = 0$$

$$ab + (u-1) + au = 0$$

$$u^* = \frac{1-ab}{1+a}$$

$$u-1 = \frac{1-ab}{1+a} - \frac{1+a}{1+a} = -\frac{ab-a}{1+a} \quad (u-1)^{-1} = -\left(\frac{1+a}{ab+a}\right)$$

$$\rightarrow v = +a \left(\frac{1-ab}{1+a}\right) \left(\frac{1+a}{ab+a}\right) = \frac{a(1-ab)}{ab+a} = v^*$$

(d)  $ab < 1$

$$(e) \quad a = 1/2, b = 2/3 \Rightarrow u^* = 4/9 \quad v^* = 2/5$$

$$J = \begin{pmatrix} f_u & f_v \\ g_u & g_v \end{pmatrix} \Big|_{u^*, v^*} = \begin{pmatrix} a+v & u-1 \\ 1-v & -b-u \end{pmatrix}$$

Setting  $a = 1/2, b = 2/3, u = 4/9, v = 2/5$  get

$$J = \begin{pmatrix} 9/10 & -5/9 \\ 3/5 & -10/9 \end{pmatrix} \quad \det J = -2/3 < 0$$

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(e) at 0,

$$J = \begin{pmatrix} a & -1 \\ 1 & -b \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1/2 & -1 \\ 1 & -2/3 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\det J = -\frac{1}{3} + 1 = 2/3$$

$$\text{tr } J = \frac{1}{2} - \frac{2}{3} < 0.$$

2 negative eigenvalues!

so 0 is the only stable pt.

(f) it goes to 0 which is the only stable pt.

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