

HW 9 Solutions

1. (a) $\frac{dS}{dt} = -\beta SI + \alpha I^2$

$$\frac{dI}{dt} = \beta SI - \alpha I^2$$

(b) $S = 1 - I$,

$$\frac{dI}{dt} = \beta(1-I)I - \alpha I^2$$

$$= \beta I - \beta I^2 - \alpha I^2$$

$$= \beta I - (\alpha + \beta) I^2$$

$$= I(\beta - (\alpha + \beta) I)$$

(c) $I = 0$ (DFE) and $I = \frac{\beta}{\alpha + \beta}$. (endemic eq.)

$$f(I) = \beta I - (\alpha + \beta) I^2$$

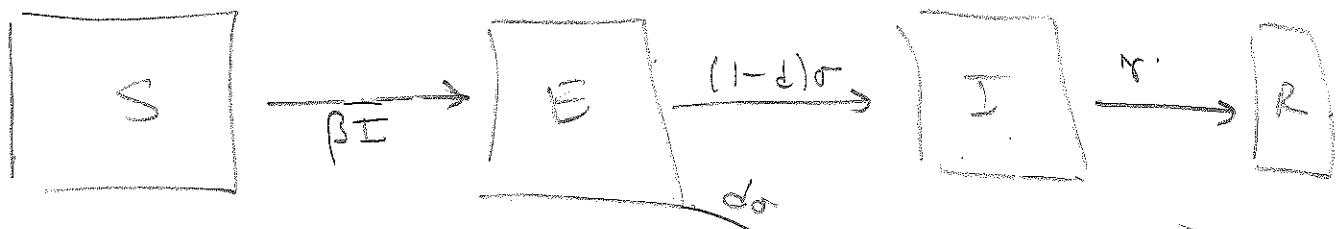
$$f'(I) = \beta - 2(\alpha + \beta)I$$

If $I = 0$, $f'(I) = \beta > 0$ so unstable DFE

If $I = \frac{\beta}{\alpha + \beta}$, $f'(I) = -\beta < 0$ so stable endemic eq.

2. (a) Birth and death can be ignored - timescale is slow.

(b)



$$\frac{dS}{dt} = -\beta SI$$

$$\frac{dI}{dt} = (1-d)\alpha E - \gamma I$$

$$\frac{dE}{dt} = \beta SI - \alpha E$$

$$\frac{dR}{dt} = \gamma I$$

(c) $\frac{d(S+E+I+R)}{dt} = -\alpha E + (1-d)\alpha E$
 $= -d\alpha E$

Individuals dying

(d) $\frac{dI}{dt} = 0 \rightarrow I = 0$. No endemic eq. because there are no births and deaths to replenish susceptibles.