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Births, deaths, and equilibrium

Relaxing some of the assumptions we made last week
 When would the no birth/death assumption be reasonable?
 Including births and deaths

To maintain population, any birth must = deaths

Denote rate of birth/death by μ , with $1/\mu = \text{lifespan}$

$$\frac{dS}{dt} = \mu(S+I+R) - \beta SI - \mu S$$

$$\frac{dI}{dt} = \beta SI - \gamma I - \mu I$$

$$\frac{dR}{dt} = \gamma I - \mu R$$

Now, $S+I+R=1$, so this can be written as

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

$$\frac{dI}{dt} = \beta SI - (\gamma + \mu) I$$

$$\frac{dR}{dt} = \gamma I - \mu R$$

Calculate R_0 in the same way,

$$I'_{t=0} = (\beta S(0) - \gamma - \mu) \cdot I(0) < 0$$

$$\rightarrow \frac{\beta S(0)}{\gamma + \mu} < 1$$

$$\text{so } R_0 = \frac{\beta}{\gamma + \mu}$$

Compare this with previous β/γ , it is smaller.
 The natural deaths and births help you (here it's
 death of infectious individuals)

Equilibrium points

$$\frac{dS}{dt} = 0$$

$$\frac{dI}{dt} = 0$$

$$\frac{dR}{dt} = 0$$

Exercise: solve for them!

$$1) \mu - \beta SI - \mu S = 0$$

$$2) \beta SI - (\gamma + \mu) I = 0$$

$$3) \gamma I - \mu R = 0$$

$$2) \rightarrow \beta S = \gamma + \mu \quad [I \neq 0]$$

$$S = \frac{\gamma + \mu}{\beta} = \frac{1}{R_0}$$

$$1) \rightarrow I = \frac{\mu(1-S)}{\beta S} = \frac{\mu(1 - \frac{1}{R_0})}{\delta + \mu} = \frac{\mu}{\beta} (R_0 - 1)$$

$$I = \frac{\mu}{\beta} (R_0 - 1)$$

$$R = 1 - \frac{1}{R_0} - \frac{\mu}{\beta} (R_0 - 1)$$

Called low endemic equilibrium in contrast to Disease free equilibrium $(0, 0, 0)$

How can we tell if these points are stable? i.e, which one of them will the solution approach?

Linear stability analysis

The idea is as follows: suppose you are solving the ODE

$$(*) \quad \frac{dy}{dt} = \lambda y. \quad \text{The solution is } y(t) = y(0)e^{\lambda t}$$

If $\lambda > 0$, this solution decays to 0, while if $\lambda < 0$, the solution grows to ∞ .

Now, every ODE look like $(*)$ in the neighborhood of the fixed point.

Let's consider the ODE

$$\frac{dy}{dt} = y^2 - 7y + 10.$$

This ODE has 2 steady state: $y=5$, $y=2$. Which, if any is stable?

$$\text{If } \frac{dy}{dt} = f(y) = \cancel{f(y_0)} + (y - y_0) f'(y_0) + \mathcal{O}((y - y_0)^2)$$

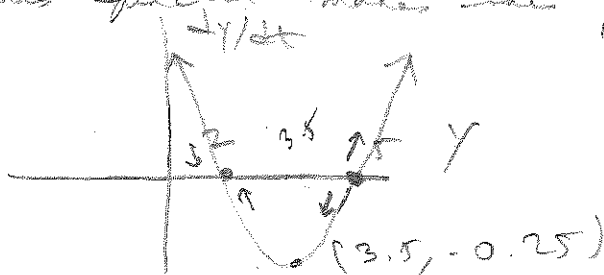
For points near y_0 , we have:

$$\frac{dy}{dt} = f'(y_0)(y - y_0) = \begin{cases} -3(y - y_0) & y_0 = 2 \\ 3(y - y_0) & y_0 = 5 \end{cases}$$

$$f' = 2y - 7$$

So $y_0 = 2$ is STABLE while $y_0 = 5$ is UNSTABLE.

Plotting this function makes it possible to see



If we apply this analysis to a multivariable system

$$\frac{d\begin{pmatrix} S \\ I \\ R \end{pmatrix}}{dt} = f\left(\begin{pmatrix} S \\ I \\ R \end{pmatrix}\right)$$

where f is a 3-vector, then the analysis has to be conducted in terms of the eigenvalues of the 3×3 matrix.

$$A = \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\partial f_1}{\partial S} & \frac{\partial f_1}{\partial I} & \frac{\partial f_1}{\partial R} \\ \frac{\partial f_2}{\partial S} & & \\ \frac{\partial f_3}{\partial S} & & \end{pmatrix}$$

Then we can rewrite the problem as

$$\frac{dx}{dt} = Ax \quad \text{near the fixed point,}$$

and the eigenvalues of A determine stability.

You can show in the case that endemic eq is stable when $R_0 > 1$ and unstable when $R_0 < 1$, while DFE is the opposite.