

**Competencia entre especies,
interferencia entre individuos y coexistencia.
¿Qué dicen los modelos deterministas?**

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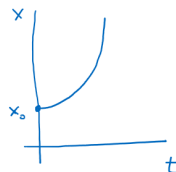
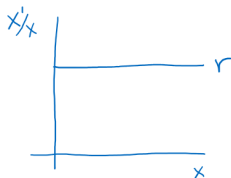
Towards the classical competition model

- $x(t)$ the total population size at time t .
- $x'(t)$ the variation of the total population size at time t .
- $\frac{x'(t)}{x(t)}$ the *per capita* growth rate.

Malthus's model [1]

The per capita growth rate is constant

$$\frac{x'(t)}{x(t)} = r \Leftrightarrow x'(t) = rx(t) \Leftrightarrow x(t) = x_0 e^{rt}, \quad x_0 = x(0), \text{ initial population size}$$



Verhulst's model [2]

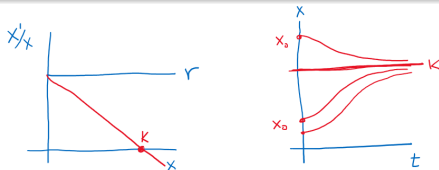
The growth rate decreases linearly as the population grows until reaching the carrying capacity

$$\frac{x'(t)}{x(t)} = r \left(1 - \frac{x}{K}\right)$$

$$\Leftrightarrow x'(t) = rx(t) - r\frac{x^2(t)}{K}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow x(t) = \frac{K}{1 + (K - x_0)e^{-rt}}, \quad x_0 = x(0)$$

- r is the intrinsic growth rate.
- K is the carrying capacity.
- The $x^* = 0$ and $x^* = K$ are **equilibrium states**.
- r/K is the intra-species competition coefficient.



Towards the classical competition model

Note that

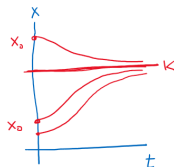
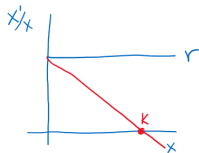
$$\frac{x'(t)}{x(t)} = r \left(1 - \frac{x}{K} \right)$$

can be written as

$$\frac{x'(t)}{x(t)} = r - a_{11}x$$

where $a_{11} = \frac{r}{K}$ stands for the intra-species competition coefficient, so that

- The per capita growth rate decreases as the population growth due to intra-species competition.



Towards the classical competition model

- $x_1(t)$ the total population size of species 1 at time t .
- $x_2(t)$ the total population size of species 2 at time t .

The classical INTERFERENCE competition model (Gause [3])

The per capita growth rate linearly decreases as:

- the population size grows until reaching the carrying capacity.
- the competitors population size grows

$$\begin{cases} \frac{x_1'(t)}{x_1(t)} = r_1 \left(1 - \frac{x_1}{K_1} \right) - b_{12}x_2 \\ \frac{x_2'(t)}{x_2(t)} = r_2 \left(1 - \frac{x_2}{K_2} \right) - b_{21}x_1 \end{cases}$$

Besides

- Logistic growth in the absence of competitors.
- b_{ij} competition coefficient.
- No formula for solutions. Qualitative study.

The classical competition model

Rearranging terms

$$\begin{cases} \overbrace{x_1' = r_1 x_1 - a_{11} x_1^2}^{\text{intra species dynamics}} - \overbrace{a_{12} x_1 x_2}^{\text{inter species interactions}} \\ x_2' = r_2 x_2 - a_{22} x_2^2 - a_{21} x_1 x_2 \end{cases}$$

where

- r_i is the intrinsic growth rate.
- a_{ii} is the intra-species competition.
- a_{ij} effect of species j on species i : inter-species competition.

There are 4 equilibrium states:

- 1 $E_0^* = (0, 0)$ both populations extinction.
- 2 $E_1^* = (x_1^*, 0)$ species 2 extinction.
- 3 $E_2^* = (0, x_2^*)$ species 1 extinction.
- 4 $E_3^* = (x_1^*, x_2^*)$ species coexistence.

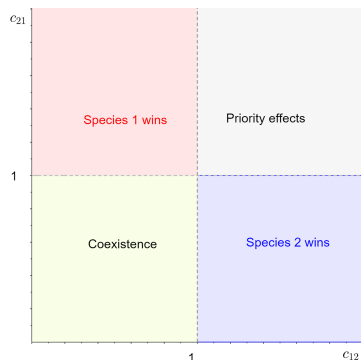
The classical competition model

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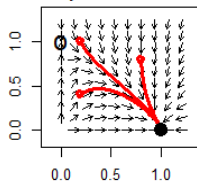
$$c_{12} = \frac{a_{12} r_1}{a_{22} r_2}$$

$$c_{21} = \frac{a_{21} r_2}{a_{11} r_1}$$

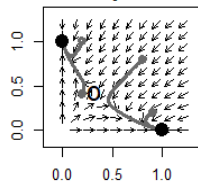
- $c_{12} < 1 \Leftrightarrow$ species 1 can not go extinct.
- $c_{21} < 1 \Leftrightarrow$ species 2 can not go extinct.



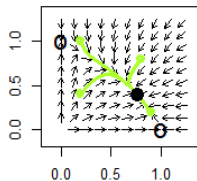
Species 1 wins



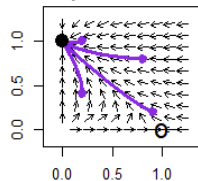
Priority effects



Coexistence



Species 2 wins



Limitations of the classical competition model:

- 1 Assumes that inter species interactions do not take time.

Time allowance

Searching, feeding, mating,...

- 2 Assumes that individuals are well mixed.
- 3 Coexistence's Paradox: Small region in the parameters space enabling coexistence.

We next...

- 1 ...introduce further extensions of the classical competition model.
- 2 For the sake of simplicity, only species 1 displays the new effects.

Holling type II competitive response: competing is time consuming [4]

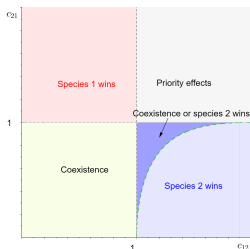
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Inter-species
competition

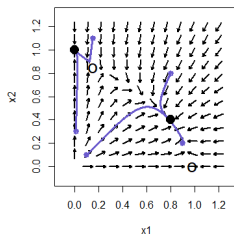
$$\begin{cases} x_1' = r_1 x_1 - a_{11} x_1^2 - \frac{a_{12} x_1 x_2}{1 + a_1 x_1} \\ x_2' = r_2 x_2 - a_{22} x_2^2 - a_{21} x_1 x_2 \end{cases} \quad (1)$$

- a_1 : x_2 spends time in competing with x_1 .
- $a_1 = \text{resources finding rate} \times \text{probability of finding a competitor} \times \text{time spent competing}$.



$a_1 > 0$ in (1)

Conditional coexistence in favor of sp 1



Holling type IV competitive response: group defense [5]

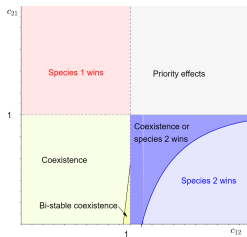
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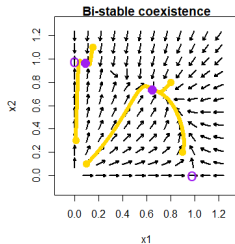
Inter-species
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$$\begin{cases} x_1' = r_1 x_1 - a_{11} x_1^2 - \frac{a_{12} x_1 x_2}{1 + a_1 x_1^2} \\ x_2' = r_2 x_2 - a_{22} x_2^2 - a_{21} x_1 x_2 \end{cases} \quad (2)$$

- c_1 : x_2 spends time when dealing with x_1 .
- The more x_1 , the more time spends x_2 in competition.
- $a_1 = \text{resources finding rate} \times \text{probability of finding a competitor} \times \text{time spent competing}$.



$a_1 > 0$ in (2)



Time allowance

Searching, feeding,
mating, ...

Inter-species
competition

Intra-species 2
interference

- c_1 : x_2 spends time when competing with x_1 .
- \tilde{a}_2 : x_2 spends time interfering with x_2 when competing with x_1 .
- \tilde{a}_2 : species 2 conspecifics' encounter rate \times intra-species 2 average interference time.

$$\begin{cases} x_1' = r_1 x_1 - a_{11} x_1^2 - \frac{a_{12} x_1 x_2}{1 + c_1 x_1 + \tilde{a}_2 (x_2 - 1)} \\ x_2' = r_2 x_2 - a_{22} x_2^2 - a_{21} x_1 x_2 \end{cases} \quad (3)$$

Beddington-DeAngelis competitive response: intra species interference [6]

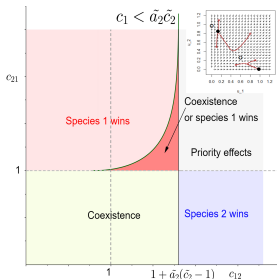
Assume $c_1 > 0$ and $\tilde{a}_2 > 0$ in (3).

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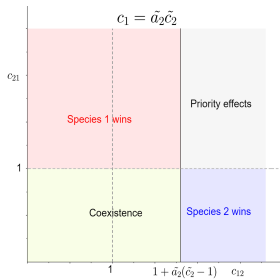
$$c_{21} = \frac{a_{21} r_2}{a_{11} r_1}$$

$$\tilde{c}_i = \frac{r_i}{a_{ii}} \text{ carrying capacity}$$

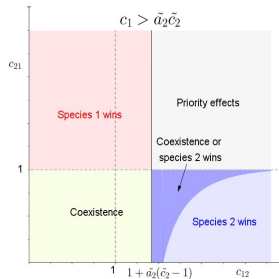
Competing time smaller than interference time



Competing time equal to interference time



Competing time larger than interference time



Conclusions

Taking into account inter- and intra-species interference in the competition term

- Yields new coexistence scenarios.
- Enlarges the coexistence region in the parameters space.

Next steps

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- Complete the analysis of the Beddington-DeAngelis competition model.
- Compare the above models to real data.
- Translate the above ideas to discrete (difference equation) models.

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