

Non-Linear Models Cont'd: Infectious Diseases

Infectious Diseases

- Can be classified into 2 broad categories:
 - 1 those caused by viruses & bacteria (*microparasitic* diseases e.g. smallpox, measles),
 - 2 those due to 'vectors' (*macroparasitic* diseases such as malaria).
- Main distinction btw them:
 - 1 former reproduce within the host & are transmitted directly from one host to another,
 - 2 latter require some means of transmission (i.e. insect-/entertainment-borne etc.).
- We focus on microparasitic diseases.

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- Virus & host organism are not a predator-prey system, for a number of reasons:
 - 1 Virus numbers in individual host vary greatly, thus model can't say how many are infected.
 - 2 Predator-prey model does not have any stable equilibria.
 - 3 Key question is disease spread in *population*, difficult to model with Predator-prey.
- To model diseases, pop'n divided into 3 groups:
 - 1 *susceptibles* (i.e. those not immune to disease),
 - 2 *infectives* (those who can infect non-immunes),
 - 3 *removed* (dead or in quarantine or immune).
- Symbols S, I, R denote these resp groups at time t .

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- Following assumptions are made:
 - 1 rate of change of infectives \propto number of contacts btw I & S (or each I infects a constant fraction β of S per unit time)
 - 2 the number of I who become R is proportional to I
- Equations are thus:

$$\begin{aligned} \dot{S} &= -\beta IS \\ \dot{I} &= \beta IS - \nu I \\ \dot{R} &= \nu I \end{aligned} \quad (5.30)$$

β, ν are infection & removal rates, $\dot{S} = \frac{dS}{dt}$ etc.

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- β governs speed of disease spread
- ν governs rate infected hosts die/otherwise removed.
- By adding 3 equations, can see that

$$\frac{dN}{dt} = \frac{dS}{dt} + \frac{dI}{dt} + \frac{dR}{dt} = 0,$$

i.e. $S + I + R = N$ for constant (initial) population N .

- Rest of the initial conditions are
 $S(0) = S_0 > 0, I(0) = I_0 > 0, R(0) = 0.0$
- Given these initial conditions from Eqn.(5.30b) get:

$$\left. \frac{dI}{dt} \right|_{t=0} = I_0 (\beta S_0 - \nu) \begin{cases} < 0, & \text{if } S_0 < \nu/\beta \\ > 0, & \text{if } S_0 > \nu/\beta \end{cases} \quad (5.31)$$

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- Ratio $\rho = \nu/\beta$, known as *relative removal rate*.
- From Eqn.(5.30a), $\frac{dS}{dt} < 0$
- So $S(t) \leq S_0$ & (if $S_0 < \rho$) so $S(t) < \rho$ for all t .
- Corresponding to different values of ρ , we have two distinct cases
 - 1 From Eqn.(5.30b), if $S < \rho$
 - Then $\frac{dI}{dt} < 0$ meaning infectives never grow.
 - So as $t \rightarrow \infty$, infection will die out.
 - 2 If $S_0 > \rho$,
 - In same way $\frac{dI}{dt} > 0$ for all t such that $S(t) > \rho$.
 - Implies for some time $t \in [0, t_0)$, must have $I(t) > I_0$.
 - Say this is an *epidemic* situation.

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- A plot of S , I and R is shown in Fig 5.6.

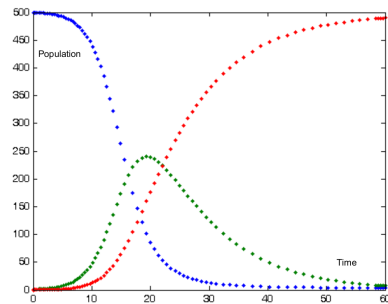


FIGURE 5.6 : SIR Model for $\rho = 100$: Susceptible, Infected, Removed

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- To further analyse the model, see (S, I) phase-plane in Fig. 5.7.
- Can express Eqn.s(5.30a,b) as

$$\frac{dI}{dS} = \frac{I(\beta S - \nu)}{-\beta I S} = -1 + \frac{\rho}{S}, \quad (5.32)$$

provided $I \neq 0$. Can derive:

$$I(t) = I_0 - S(t) + \rho \ln S(t) + S_0 - \rho \ln S_0 \quad (5.33)$$

- See from Eqn.(5.33), Fig. 5.7 that I_{\max} when $S = \rho$.
- Show trajectories various (S_0, I_0) & as per predator-prey, all move anti-clockwise.
- A trajectory starts on line $I + S = N$ (as $R(0) = 0$ & susceptibles decrease with time).
- If (S_0, I_0) is in epidemic region (right of $\rho = 4$ in Fig. 5.7), $I \uparrow$ until $S = \rho$.

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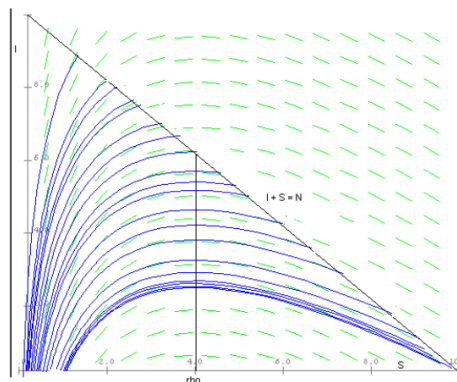


FIGURE 5.7 : SIR Model Phase-Plane Plot for $\rho = 4$

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- How does disease eventually die out with SIR model?
- From Eqn.s(5.30a,c):

$$\frac{dS}{dR} = \frac{-\beta IS}{\nu I} = -\frac{S}{\rho}, \quad (5.34)$$

thus $S = S_0 e^{-R/\rho}$. But, $\forall t \geq 0, R \leq N$ this means $S(t) \geq S_0 e^{-N/\rho}$, i.e. as $t \rightarrow \infty, S > 0$.

- But, from Eqn.(5.30c) $\frac{dR}{dt} > 0 \forall t \geq 0$, so, if need to keep $R \leq N$, then need $\frac{dR}{dt} \rightarrow 0$, as $t \rightarrow \infty$.
- From Eqn.(5.30c), this can only happen if $I(\infty) = 0$.
- Hence lack of infectives wipe out disease & not lack of susceptibles.

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- More general model than SIR (more applicable), is one with only partial immunity.
- Called SIRS model & permits previously infected (i.e. removed) individuals to return to susceptible pop'n
- Do so at a rate proportional to the number removed.
- Mathematically SIRS can be expressed as:

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{dS}{dt} &= -\beta IS && +\gamma R \\ \frac{dI}{dt} &= \beta IS && -\nu I \\ \frac{dR}{dt} &= && \nu I -\gamma R \end{aligned} \quad (5.35)$$

- Again the total population, $S + I + R = N$, is constant.

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- SIRS can be analysed using standard methods, equilibrium states found to be:

$$\begin{aligned} \dot{S} = 0 &\Rightarrow \frac{\beta IS}{\gamma} = R \\ \dot{I} = 0 &\Rightarrow \beta IS = \nu I \\ \dot{R} = 0 &\Rightarrow \frac{\nu I}{\gamma} = R \end{aligned} \quad (5.36)$$

- These yield 2 equilibrium points:
 - 1 first is trivial $\bar{S}_1 = N$, $\bar{I}_1 = 0$, $\bar{R}_1 = 0$, i.e. all pop'n healthy but susceptible & disease eradicated;
- This equilibrium point can be shown to be stable.

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- A further equilibrium point can be found:
 - 2 Put $S = \nu/\beta$ (from Eqn.(5.36b)) & $R = \nu I/\gamma$ (from Eqn.(5.36c)) into $S + I + R = N$ to give:

$$\bar{S}_2 = \frac{\nu}{\beta}, \quad \bar{I}_2 = \frac{\gamma}{\beta} \frac{\beta N - \nu}{\gamma + \nu}, \quad \bar{R}_2 = \frac{\nu}{\beta} \frac{\beta N - \nu}{\gamma + \nu} \quad (5.37)$$

- $(\bar{S}_2, \bar{I}_2, \bar{R}_2)$ is only meaningful if all values are +ive.
- i.e. $\frac{\beta}{\nu} N > 1$ (i.e. +ive numerators for \bar{I}_2, \bar{R}_2).
- This *threshold effect* is minimum population necessary for a disease to become endemic.

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- Have seen $\rho = \nu/\beta$ (*relative removal rate*) above;
- Now define its reciprocal β/ν as follows:
 - As removal rate from infectives is ν (units 1/time), so average infectivity period is $1/\nu$.
 - β is fraction of contacts (between I & S) resulting in infections,
 - So $\beta \times 1/\nu$ is population fraction coming into contact with I s during infectious period.
- Hence $\sigma = \beta N/\nu$ is disease's *infectious contact number* or *intrinsic reproductive rate* sometimes denoted R_0 .
- So, from above, and usefully enough, the disease will become endemic in the population if $\sigma > 1$.

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- Can see this effect quite clearly in phase-plane.
- By using $R = N - S - I$, can write Eqn.s(5.35a,b) as:

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{dS}{dt} &= -\beta IS + \gamma(N - S - I) \\ \frac{dI}{dt} &= \beta IS - \nu I \end{aligned} \quad (5.38)$$

- In Fig 8(a) pop'n cannot sustain disease & it dies out;
- In Fig 8(b), get steady-state

$$\bar{S}_2 = \frac{\nu}{\beta}, \quad \bar{I}_2 = \frac{\gamma \beta N - \nu}{\beta \gamma + \nu}.$$

- Jacobian corresponding to Eqn.(5.38) at (\bar{S}_2, \bar{I}_2) is

$$\mathbf{A}(\bar{S}_2, \bar{I}_2) = \begin{pmatrix} -(\beta \bar{I}_2 + \gamma) & -(\beta \bar{S}_2 + \gamma) \\ -\beta \bar{I}_2 & \beta \bar{S}_2 - \nu \end{pmatrix} \quad (5.39)$$

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- So for total population, N , it holds that

$$\frac{dN}{dt} = \frac{dS}{dt} + \frac{dI}{dt} = 0$$

i.e. $S + I = N$ for constant (initial) population N .

- Expressing I in terms of S in eqn.(5.40), can be seen that:

$$\frac{dI}{dt} = (\beta N - \nu)I - \beta I^2$$

- This is a form of the logistic growth equation with $r = \beta N - \nu$ and $K = N - \frac{\nu}{\beta}$ so that we have two cases:

- 1 for $\frac{\beta}{\nu}N > 1$, $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} I(t) = \frac{\beta N - \nu}{\beta}$ & disease will spread,
- 2 for $\frac{\beta}{\nu}N \leq 1$, $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} I(t) = 0$ & disease will die out.

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- A plot of the former SIS model case is shown in Fig 5.9.

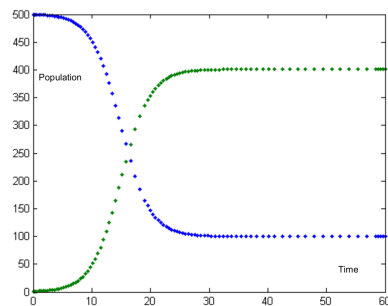


FIGURE 5.9 : SIS Model for $\rho = 100$: Susceptible, Infected

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Eradication & Control for the Models above:

- For SIR model, for eqn(5.37) $S_0 \approx N$, the total pop'n.
- So, from eqn(5.37) & eqns(5.40,5.37) for SIS & SIRS models, respectively *infectious contact number*,

$$\sigma \text{ or } R_0 = \beta N/\nu$$

is important.

- It is population fraction in contact with an infective during infectious period.
- \equiv mean number of secondary cases one infected case causes without interventions to control the infection.
- It helps model spread of an infectious disease thro a pop'n.

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- From $\beta N/\nu$ can reduce infectious disease spread by:
 - 1 $\uparrow \nu$, removal rate of infectives.
 - 2 $\beta \downarrow$, infection rate btw S & I . E.g. Disinfection, movement controls in Foot-and-Mouth.
 - 3 Reduce effective number N which has the effect of $\downarrow S$.
 - 4 Again for the Foot-and-Mouth example:
 - Slaughter potential contacts surrounding infected farms was employed (politically controversial).
 - Vaccination of susceptibles for an epidemic.

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- Immunizing a population from a disease is impractical due to cost
- Logistics of administering vaccine to millions is difficult.
- Also costs:
 - Direct costs of producing & administering the dosage and
 - Indirect costs of public info campaigns
 - Indirect costs of bureaucracy to ensure all have been vaccinated.
- Thus would like to be able to provide safety from disease at the lowest possible cost.

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- Actually only have to immunize a fraction of population to give *herd immunity*.
- Specifically must reduce *effective* value of N so that disease dies out.
- From SIR model must move enough people such that (from eqn(5.31)), $\beta S_0 - \nu < 0$ so that $\dot{I} < 0$.
- i.e. need to lower epidemic threshold below one.
- Or fraction of people that must immunized is such that $S_0 < \nu/\beta$
- i.e. $100 \times (1 - \nu/\beta)$ percent of susceptibles must be immunized.

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- This makes sense as if ν is small, it takes longer to recover from infection
- So an infective has more time to infect people.
- Thus as $\nu \downarrow$, $1 - \nu/\beta \uparrow$; need to inoculate a larger fraction of the population.
- As $\beta \uparrow$, each infected person contacts more people in a given period and $1 - \nu/\beta \uparrow$.
- Thus again need to inoculate a larger fraction of population.

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- R_0 & $1 - 1/R_0$ shown in % Table 5.2 for common diseases.

Disease	Transmission	R_0	$1 - \frac{1}{R_0}$ %
Measles	Airborne	12 to 18	92 to 94.5
Pertussis	Airborne droplet	12 to 17	92 to 94
Diphtheria	Saliva	6 to 7	84
Smallpox	Social contact	5 to 7	80 to 85
Polio	Fecal-oral route	5 to 7	80 to 85
Rubella	Airborne droplet	5 to 7	80 to 85
HIV/AIDS	Bodily Fluids	2 to 5	50 to 80
SARS	Airborne droplet	2 to 5	50 to 80
Influenza (1918)	Airborne droplet	2 to 3	50 to 80
Cholera	Fecal-oral route	2.9	65.5

TABLE 5.2 : Values for R_0 for Several Common Infectious Diseases

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The Chemostat Revisited

- Returning to chemostat above, can look at phase-plane plot. Derived the equations:

$$\frac{dn}{d\tau} = f(n, c) = \alpha_1 \left(\frac{nc}{1+c} \right) - n \quad (5.41)$$

and

$$\frac{dc}{d\tau} = g(n, c) = - \left(\frac{nc}{1+c} \right) - c + \alpha_2 \quad (5.42)$$

containing (dimensionless) parameters:

$$\alpha_1 = \frac{VK_{max}}{F} \quad \text{and} \quad \alpha_2 = \frac{C_0}{K_n}$$

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- Eqns(5.41, 5.42) also contain dimensionless time, bacterial population & nutrient concentrations respectively:

$$\tau = \frac{tF}{V}, \quad n = \frac{N\alpha VK_{max}}{FK_n}, \quad c = \frac{C}{K_n}$$

- The phase-plane plot for nVc is shown in Fig 5.10.
- The figure shows that when $\alpha_1 = 3, \alpha_2 = 1$ there are two equilibrium points:

$$(\bar{n}_1, \bar{c}_1) = \left(\alpha_1 \left(\alpha_2 - \frac{1}{\alpha_1 - 1} \right), \frac{1}{\alpha_1 - 1} \right) = \left(\frac{3}{2}, \frac{1}{2} \right)$$

and

$$(\bar{n}_2, \bar{c}_2) = (0, \alpha_2) = (0, 1)$$

as predicted.

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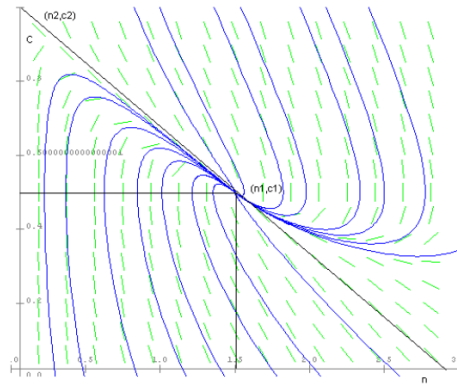


FIGURE 5.10 : Chemostat Phase-Plane Plot, $\alpha_1 = 3, \alpha_2 = 1$

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