

Math 2290-1
Wednesday Sept 10

- autonomous DE's,
equilibrium solns,
stability.

examples and discussion page 3 Tuesday notes

additional examples:

Find equilibria and discuss stability for

$$\frac{dx}{dt} = x^4 - x^2$$

$$\frac{dx}{dt} = \cos x$$

* I will be in the Math Dept computer classroom LCB 115 from 1-4 p.m. Saturday, so that students may work on their Maple projects.

Warning: our terminals do NOT accept memory devices, so if you have a Maple file email it to an account you can access with an internet browser.

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- page 4 Tuesday notes : explosion-extinction models, and concrete (numerical) example.

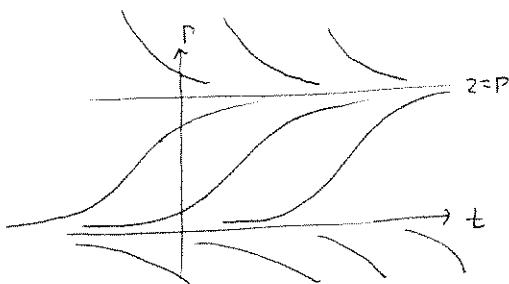
Now, let's harvest a logistic population! (e.g. fisheries).

$$\frac{dP}{dt} = \underbrace{aP - bP^2}_{\text{logistic}} - h$$

constant rate harvesting. (see §2.2 #24)

one could also consider a term $-hp$, which would maybe correspond to constant effort harvesting (see §2.2 #23)

e.g. $\frac{dP}{dt} = 2P - P^2$
 $= P(2-P)$



vs $\frac{dP}{dt} = 2P - P^2 - h$

consider what happens for different h values

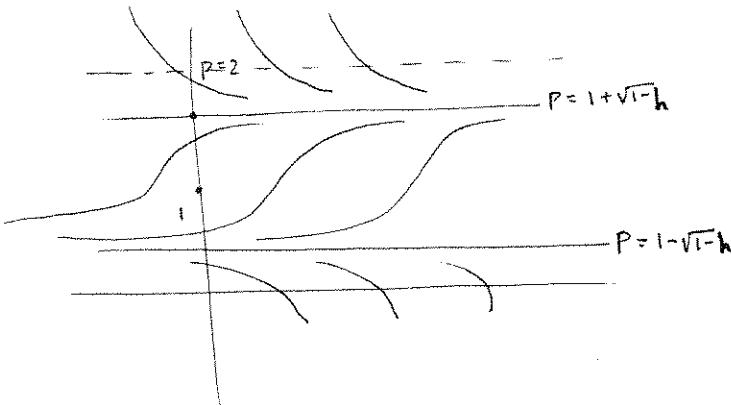
roots of RHS: $P^2 - 2P + h = 0$ has roots

$$P = \frac{2 \pm \sqrt{4-4h}}{2} = 1 \pm \sqrt{1-h}$$

so, for $0 \leq h \leq 1$,

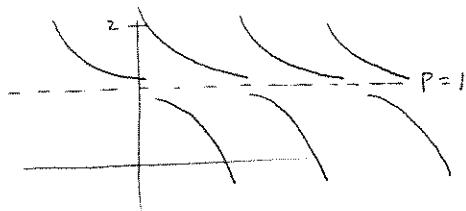
$$\frac{dP}{dt} = -(P - (1+\sqrt{1-h}))(P - (1-\sqrt{1-h}))$$

still looks logistic
 (& fishery won't
 collapse)
 if $b < 1$
 extinction zone

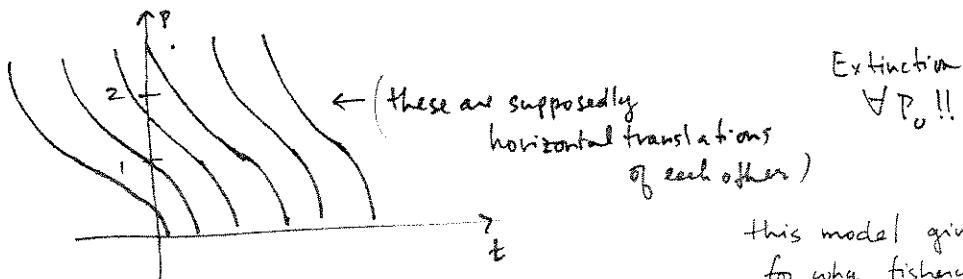


as $h \rightarrow 1^-$ the middle zone (where populations increase to the modified carrying capacity) shrinks in width, until at $h=1$ the two roots coalesce;

$$\frac{dP}{dt} = 2P - P^2 - h = -(P^2 - 2P + h) = -(P-1)^2 - h$$



and for $h > 1$, $2P - P^2 - h = -(P^2 - 2P + h) = -((P-1)^2 + h-1) < 0 \quad \forall P \quad (\text{but least negative}) @ P=1$



this model gives a plausible explanation for why fishery after fishery has collapsed around the world - if $h < 1$ but near 1, and if something perturbs the system a little bit (e.g. increased fishing pressure, a big storm, etc.), you could be confronted with "sudden", unexpected fishery collapse.

"bifurcation diagram" of equilibrium solns; in the $h-c$ plane:

