

5.5. Let's see how to prove the stability of a two-cycle:

Assume first that we would have only one age-class:

$$\underline{N}(0) = \begin{pmatrix} N_1(0) \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \underline{N}(1) = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ PN_1(0) \end{pmatrix}, \quad \underline{N}(2) = \begin{pmatrix} PN_1(0) F(PN_1(0)) \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

We can denote the second iterated map as:

$$N_1(t+2) = PN_1(t) F(PN_1(t)) = \Psi(N_1(t)) \quad (\text{with } N_2=0 \text{ in even years})$$

$$\text{The fixed point is } \hat{N}_1 = \frac{a-1}{bP}$$

Looking at the derivative of the map:

$$\begin{aligned} \Psi'(\hat{N}_1) &= 1 - P\hat{N}_1 \left( -\frac{aP}{(1+b\hat{N}_1P)^2} \right) \\ &= 1 - P\hat{N}_1 F(P\hat{N}_1) \frac{bP}{1+bP\hat{N}_1} = 1 - \frac{bP\hat{N}_1}{1+bP\hat{N}_1} \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow 0 < \Psi'(\hat{N}_1) < 1$$

Assume we would now have  $\underline{N}(0) = \begin{pmatrix} \hat{N}_1 \\ n \end{pmatrix}$   
 where  $n \ll \hat{N}_1$   
 and  $n \ll P\hat{N}_1$

$$\text{Then: } \underline{N}(1) = \begin{pmatrix} nF(\hat{N}_1) \\ P\hat{N}_1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \underline{N}(2) = \begin{pmatrix} \hat{N}_1 \\ nPF(\hat{N}_1) \end{pmatrix}$$

i.e. the missing year class grew by factor

$$PF(\hat{N}_1) < PF(P\hat{N}_1) = 1 \Rightarrow \text{it can't grow!}$$

(It tries to reproduce in years of high  $b(\hat{N}_1 + \hat{N}_2) \rightarrow \text{low: } \frac{a}{1+b(\hat{N}_1 + \hat{N}_2)}$ )

5.1. The projection matrix can be constructed directly from combining the assumptions. Because events are discrete, one can also construct a matrix for each event and apply these in correct order:

1. population growth:

$$\begin{pmatrix} P_1 & 0 \\ 0 & P_2 \end{pmatrix}$$

2. Dispersal & survival:

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1-m & ms \\ ms & 1-m \end{pmatrix}$$

So the population dynamics is given by:

$$N(t+1) = \begin{pmatrix} 1-m & ms \\ ms & 1-m \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} P_1 & 0 \\ 0 & P_2 \end{pmatrix} N(t)$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} (1-m)P_1 & msP_2 \\ P_1ms & (1-m)P_2 \end{pmatrix} N(t)$$

5.2. Assume an age-structured population with primitive Leslie-matrix:

$$\begin{pmatrix} F_1 & F_2 & F_3 & \dots & F_w \\ P_1 & 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & P_2 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

Stable age-distribution is the eigenvector corresponding to the leading eigenvalue:

$$\text{i.e. } Au = \lambda u \Rightarrow \begin{aligned} \lambda u_2 &= P_1 u_1 \\ \lambda u_3 &= P_2 u_2 \\ \lambda u_4 &= P_3 u_3 \\ &\vdots \end{aligned}$$

Choosing  $u_1 = \frac{1}{\lambda}$ , we get: and so on!

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow u_2 &= P_1 \lambda^{-2} \\ u_3 &= \lambda^{-1} P_2 u_2 = P_2 P_1 \lambda^{-3} \\ u_4 &= P_3 P_2 P_1 \lambda^{-4} \quad \text{etc.} \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Thus: } u_i = \frac{l_i}{\lambda^i}$$

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b.) Prove: the reproductive value of age class  $i$  can be written as

$$v_i = \frac{1}{\lambda} (F_i v_i + P_i v_{i+1})$$

Reproductive values are in the left eigenvector:

$$v^T L = \lambda v^T$$

$$\Leftrightarrow v^T = \frac{1}{\lambda} v^T L$$

What is the  $i$ 'th component of this?

$$v_i = \frac{1}{\lambda} (v_i \cdot F_i + v_{i+1} \cdot P_i)$$



$$\sum_i \sum_j e_{ij} = \sum_i \sum_j \frac{\partial \lambda}{\partial a_{ij}} \frac{a_{ij}}{\lambda}$$

$$= \sum_i \sum_j v_i u_j \frac{a_{ij}}{\lambda}$$

$$= \sum_i v_i \cdot \sum_j u_j \cdot a_{ij} \cdot \left(\frac{1}{\lambda}\right)$$

$$= \sum_i v_i \cdot \lambda \cdot u_i \cdot \left(\frac{1}{\lambda}\right)$$

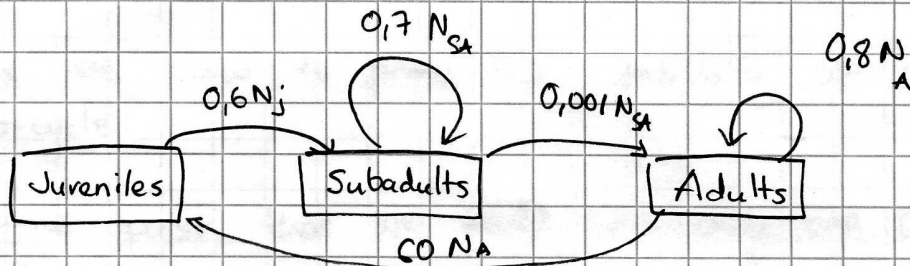
$$= \sum_i v_i u_i = \underline{\underline{1}}$$

← This is  $i$ th row of vector;

$$A u = \lambda u$$

because  $u$  was eigenvector,

5.4.



$$\begin{pmatrix} N_j \\ N_{SA} \\ N_A \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 60 \\ 0.6 & 0.7 & 0 \\ 0 & 0.001 & 0.8 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} N_j \\ N_{SA} \\ N_A \end{pmatrix}$$

We wanted to calculate the effects of different conservation strategies to the long-term-growthrate of the turtle-population; defined by:

$$e_{ij} = \frac{\partial \lambda}{\partial a_{ij}} \frac{a_{ij}}{\lambda} = v_i u_j \frac{a_{ij}}{\lambda}$$

Currently  $\lambda \approx 0.95$ , so the population is declining

Calculating leading left and right eigenvectors  $u$  and  $v$  ~~leads to~~ enables us to substitute the needed terms:

$$e_{13} = v_1 u_3 \frac{a_{13}}{\lambda} = \frac{1}{700} \frac{60}{0.95} = 0.09$$

$$e_{33} = v_3 u_3 \frac{a_{33}}{0.95} = \frac{1}{700} \cdot 400 \cdot 1 \frac{0.8}{0.95} = 0.481$$

We see that increasing adult survival is more efficient strategy for conservation.