

# Biological Models

## Population Dynamics

### Predator-Prey

## Some Well-known Population Dynamics Applications

- Population Dynamics of Single Population
- Predator-Prey Models (e.g. Foxes and Rabbits)

## Population Dynamics of Single Population

- $P$  – population size = number of individuals in a population
- $\dot{P}$  – population change rate, change per time unit
- $g$  – growth factor of population (e.g. % births per year)
- $d$  – death factor of population (e.g. % deaths per year)

$$\text{growthrate} = g \cdot P$$

$$\text{deathrate} = d \cdot P$$

*Exponentially increasing  
population if  $(g-d)>0$*

$$\dot{P} = \text{growthrate} - \text{deathrate}$$

*Exponentially decreasing  
population if  $(g-d)<0$*

$$\dot{P} = (g - d) \cdot P$$

## Population Dynamics Model

- $g$  – growth rate of population
- $d$  – death rate of population
- $P$  – population size

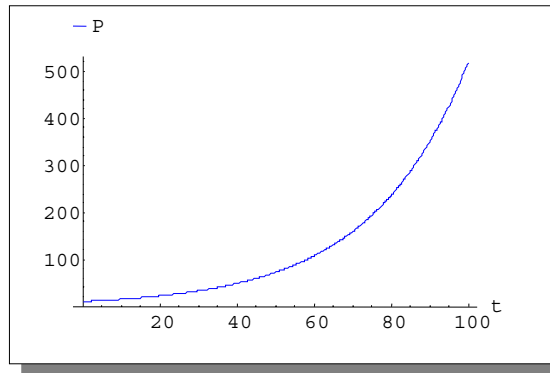
$$\dot{P} = \text{growthrate} - \text{deathrate}$$

```
class PopulationGrowth
  parameter Real g = 0.04    "Growth factor of population";
  parameter Real d = 0.0005  "Death factor of population";
  Real      P(start=10) "Population size, initially 10";
equation
  der(P) = (g-d)*P;
end PopulationGrowth;
```

## Simulation of PopulationGrowth

```
simulate(PopulationGrowth, stopTime=100)  
plot(P)
```

*Exponentially increasing  
population if  $(g-d)>0$*



## Population Growth Exercise!!

- Locate the PopulationGrowth model in DrModelica
- Change the initial population size and growth and death factors to get an exponentially decreasing population

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plot(P)
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*Exponentially decreasing  
population if  $(g-d)<0$*

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end PopulationGrowth;
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## Population Dynamics with both Predators and Prey Populations

- Predator-Prey models

## Predator-Prey (Foxes and Rabbits) Model

- $R$  = rabbits = size of rabbit population
- $F$  = foxes = size of fox population
- $\dot{R}$  = der(rabbits) = change rate of rabbit population
- $\dot{F}$  = der(foxes) = change rate of fox population
- $g_r = g_r$  = growth factor of rabbits
- $d_f = d_f$  = death factor of foxes
- $d_{rf} = d_{rf}$  = death factor of rabbits due to foxes
- $g_{fr} = g_{fr}$  = growth factor of foxes due to rabbits and foxes

$$\dot{R} = g_r \cdot R - d_{rf} \cdot F \cdot R \quad \dot{F} = g_{fr} \cdot d_{rf} \cdot R \cdot F - d_f \cdot F$$

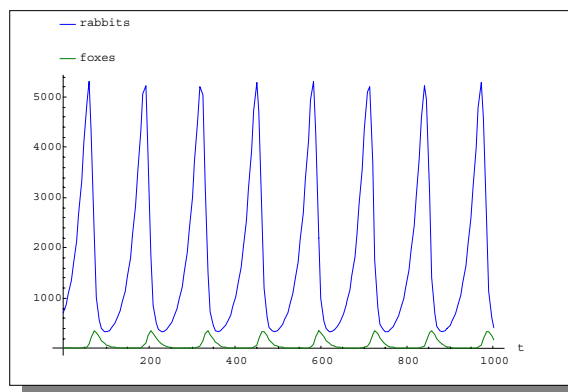
```
der(rabbits) = g_r*rabbits - d_rf*rabbits*foxes;  
der(foxes)   = g_fr*d_rf*rabbits*foxes - d_f*foxes;
```

## Predator-Prey (Foxes and Rabbits) Model

```
class LotkaVolterra
  parameter Real g_r = 0.04      "Natural growth rate for rabbits";
  parameter Real d_rf = 0.0005   "Death rate of rabbits due to foxes";
  parameter Real d_f = 0.09      "Natural deathrate for foxes";
  parameter Real g_fr = 0.1      "Efficiency in growing foxes from rabbits";
  Real rabbits(start=700) "Rabbits, (R) with start population 700";
  Real foxes(start=10)      "Foxes, (F) with start population 10";
equation
  der(rabbits) = g_r*rabbits - d_rf*rabbits*foxes;
  der(foxes)   = g_fr*d_rf*rabbits*foxes - d_f*foxes;
end LotkaVolterra;
```

## Simulation of Predator-Prey (LotkaVolterra)

```
simulate(LotkaVolterra, stopTime=3000)
plot({rabbits, foxes}, xrange={0,1000})
```



## Exercise of Predator-Prey

- Locate the LotkaVolterra model in DrModelica
- Change the death and growth rates for foxes and rabbits, simulate, and observe the effects

```
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plot({rabbits, foxes}, xrange={0,1000})
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end LotkaVolterra;
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