

Population persistence in the presence of climate change in variable environments - integrodifference model

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Our problem

Climate change and integro-difference equations

$$u_{t+1}(\xi) = \int_{\mathbb{R}} K(\xi - \eta) g_0(\eta - s_t) f_{r_t}(u_t(\eta)) d\eta, \quad t \in \mathbb{N}, \xi \in \mathbb{R}.$$

with $(u_t)_t$ density of the population at generation t ,

▷ Long time behaviour? Persistence of the population? Critical value for parameters?

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Impacts of Climate change²

- Phenological changes
- Interaction across trophic levels
- Range shifts
- Evolution and plasticity

Consequences of climate change on range and distribution

²Review article, **Ecological and Evolutionary responses to recent climate change**, Parmesan C., *Annu. Rev. Ecol. Evol. Syst.* , 2006.

Climate change and population dynamics³

● Required migration

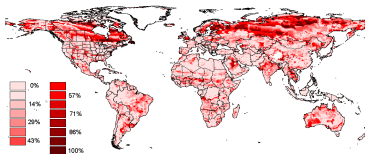


Figure 3. A map showing areas where species might have to achieve unusually high migration rates ($\geq 1,000$ metres per year) in order to keep up with $2 \times \text{CO}_2$ global warming in 100 years. Shades of red indicate the percent of 14 models that exhibited unusually high rates.

● Habitat Loss

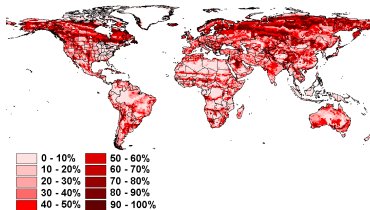
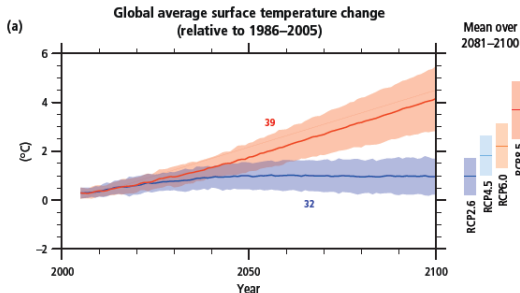


Figure 10. Loss of existing habitat that could occur under a doubling of atmospheric CO_2 concentrations. Shades of red indicate the percent of vegetation models that predicted a change in biome type of the underlying map grid cell.

Climate change and environmental variability⁴

Environmental variability

- Uncertainty in climate change scenario



- Environmental variability caused by increasing extreme climatic events: temperature extremes, sea levels, precipitation events

⁴IPCC: Climate change, 2007.

Impact on population persistence

Persistence of the population facing habitat migration and environmental variability?

- Model describing population dynamics
- Account for climate change and habitat migration
- Include environmental variability
- Characterise persistence

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Growth and dispersal modelling at a population scale

Spatial structure and temporal evolution

- Simultaneous growth and dispersal: reaction-diffusion equations

$$\partial_t u - \partial_{xx} u = f(u), \quad t \in \mathbb{R}^+, x \in \mathbb{R}$$

Impact of climate change: reaction-diffusion equations with forced speed (Berestycki et al, Bouhours and Nadin, Bouhours and Giletti...)

- Successive growth and dispersal: integro-difference equations

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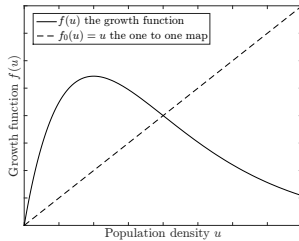
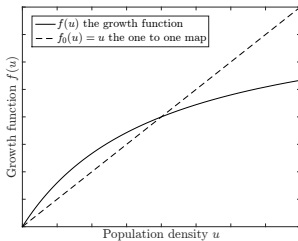
K dispersal kernel, f growth map (Kot and Schaffer '86)

Integro-difference equations - growth map

$$u_{t+1}(\xi) = \int_{\mathbb{R}} K(\xi, \eta) \underbrace{f(u_t(\eta))}_{\text{growth of the population at location } y} d\eta, \quad t \in \mathbb{N}, \eta \in \mathbb{R}$$

▷ $f(u) > u$: growth of the population

- Self-regulating population: $f(u) \leq u$ for all $u > C$,
- No Allee effect (Fisher-KPP): $f(u)/u$ maximum at 0,
- Compensatory or overcompensatory dynamics

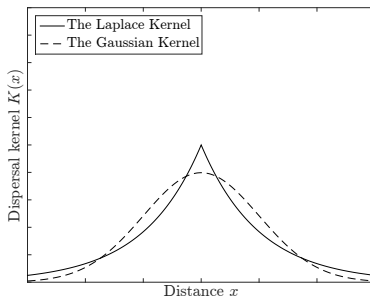


Integro-difference equations - dispersal kernels

$$u_{t+1}(\xi) = \int_{\mathbb{R}} \underbrace{K(\xi, \eta)}_{\text{dispersion of the grown population}} f(u_t(\eta)) d\eta, \quad t \in \mathbb{N}, \xi \in \mathbb{R}$$

- ▷ $K(\xi, \eta)$: probability to disperse from η to ξ
 - Difference kernel: dependence on the distance between 2 points only

$$K(\xi, \eta) = K(\xi - \eta)$$



Integro-difference equations in heterogeneous environments

Growth and dispersal in heterogeneous environments

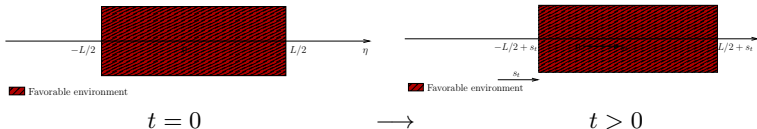
$$u_{t+1}(\xi) = \int_{\mathbb{R}} \underbrace{K(\xi, \eta)}_{\text{dispersion}} \underbrace{g_t(\eta)}_{\text{suitability}} \underbrace{f(u_t(\eta))}_{\text{growth}} d\eta, \quad t \in \mathbb{N}, \xi \in \mathbb{R}$$

- ▶ Suitability: habitat migration due to climate change

$$g_t(\eta) = g_0(\eta - s_t)$$

$s_t \in \mathbb{R}$ reference point at time t

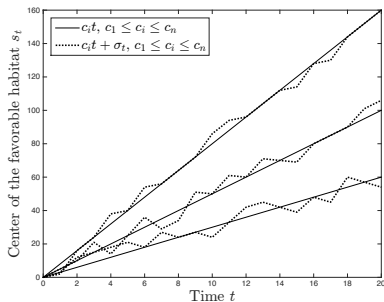
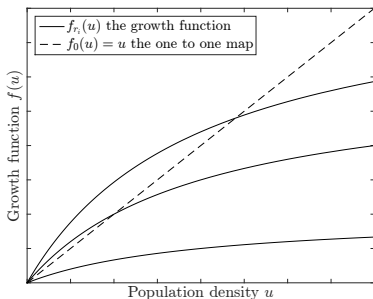
- Example: $g_0 \equiv \mathbb{1}_{(-L/2; L/2)}$



Integro-difference equations in variable environments

Variability of the environment

- Variable growth: $f(u) = f_{r_t}(u)$, $(f_{r_t})_t$ sequence of random functions
 - ▷ $(r_t)_t$ random per capita growth rate at 0
- Variable reference point: $s_t = ct + \sigma_t$,
 - ▷ c uncertain asymptotic migration speed ($c \in \{c_1, \dots, c_n\}$), fixed, $(\sigma_t)_t$ stochastic process, variability of the migration speed



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Our model

General problem:

$$u_{t+1}(\xi) = \int_{\mathbb{R}} K(\xi - \eta) g_0(\eta - s_t) f_{r_t}(u_t(\eta)) d\eta, \quad t \in \mathbb{N}, \xi \in \mathbb{R}.$$

- $x \mapsto K(x)$ continuous, uniformly bounded and positive in \mathbb{R} ,
- $x \mapsto g_0(x)$ compactly supported in Ω_0 , nonnegative, bounded by 1,
- $s_t = ct + \sigma_t$,
- $(\sigma_t, r_t)_t$ bounded, independent, identically distributed random variables,
- $f_r : \mathbb{R}^+ \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^+$, continuous, increasing with $f_r(u) = 0$ for all $u \leq 0$,
- $0 < f_r(u) \leq m$ for all positive continuous function u and $r = f_r'(0)$
- if u, v constants such that $0 < v < u$ then $f_r(u)v < f_r(v)u$

Changing the reference frame

Problem in the non moving frame:

$$u_{t+1}(\xi) = \int_{\mathbb{R}} K(\xi - \eta)g_0(\eta - s_t)f_{r_t}(u_t(\eta))d\eta, \quad t \in \mathbb{N}, \xi \in \mathbb{R}.$$

- $x = \xi - c(t + 1)$, $y = \eta - ct$ and $\bar{u}_t(y) := u_t(y + ct)$

$$\bar{u}_{t+1}(x) = \int_{\mathbb{R}} K(x - y + c)g_0(y - \sigma_t)f_{r_t}(\bar{u}_t(y))dy.$$

- $\sigma_t \in (\underline{\sigma}, \bar{\sigma}) \implies \Omega := (\inf \Omega_0 + \underline{\sigma}, \sup \Omega_0 + \bar{\sigma})$, “support” of the problem

Dropping the bar

$$u_{t+1}(x) = \int_{\Omega} K(x - y + c)g_0(y - \sigma_t)f_{r_t}(u_t(y))dy, \quad t \in \mathbb{N}, x \in \Omega,$$

Previous work:

- Zhou-Kot ('11): $u_{t+1}(\xi) = \int_{\Omega+ct} K(\xi - \eta)f(u_t(\eta))d\eta$, c fixed, Ω compact,
- Hardin et al ('88), Jacobsen et al ('14): Integro-difference equations in variable environments

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Large time behaviour

$$u_{t+1}(x) = \int_{\Omega} K(x - y + c)g_0(y - \sigma_t)f_{r_t}(u_t(y))dy, \quad t \in \mathbb{N}, x \in \Omega,$$

Theorem

Assumptions:

- u_0 non negative, non trivial, bounded,
- f_r KPP, increasing.

Then u_t converges in distribution to a random variable u^* as $t \rightarrow +\infty$, independently of the initial condition u_0 , and u^* such that

$$u^*(x) = \int_{\Omega} K(x - y + c)g_0(y - \sigma^*)f_{r^*}(u^*(y))dy.$$

Denoting by μ^* the distribution associated with u^* :

$$\mu^*({0}) = 0 \text{ or } \mu^*({0}) = 1.$$

\Rightarrow extinction of the population with probability 0 or 1 only, independently of the initial condition.

Persistence criterion

What does determine whether $\mu^* (\{0\}) = 0$ or $\mu^* (\{0\}) = 1$?

Define

$$\Lambda_t := \left(\int_{\Omega} \tilde{u}_t(x) dx \right)^{1/t},$$

where $(\tilde{u}_t)_t$ the solution of the linearised problem around 0:

$$\tilde{u}_{t+1}(x) = \mathcal{L}_{\alpha_t} \tilde{u}_t(x) := \int_{\Omega} K(x - y + c) g_0(y - \sigma_t) r_t \tilde{u}_t(y) dy.$$

Theorem

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow +\infty} \Lambda_t = \Lambda \in [0, +\infty), \text{ with probability 1.}$$

And,

- If $\Lambda < 1$, the population will go extinct, in the sense that $\mu^* (\{0\}) = 1$,
- If $\Lambda > 1$, the population will persist, in the sense that $\mu^* (\{0\}) = 0$.

Characterisation of Λ

$$\Lambda = e^{E[\ln(r_0)]} \cdot \lim_{t \rightarrow +\infty} K_t^{1/t}$$

$$K_t = \underbrace{\int_{\Omega} \dots \int_{\Omega}}_{t+1 \text{ terms}} K(x - y_1 + c) g_0(y_1 - \sigma_{t-1}) \cdots K(y_{t-1} - y_t + c) g_0(y_t - \sigma_0) u_0(y_t) dy_t \dots dx$$

- No variability for the shifting speed: $\sigma_t \equiv 0$

$$\implies \Lambda = e^{E[\ln(r_0)]} \cdot \lambda_c$$

with λ_c principal eigenvalue of

$$\mathcal{K}_c[u](x) := \int_{\Omega_0} K(x - y + c) g_0(y) u(y) dy,$$

- The particular case of Gaussian Kernel

$$\lambda_c = e^{-\frac{c^2}{2(\sigma^K)^2}} \lambda_0,$$

Λ decreasing with $c \implies$ existence of a critical speed for persistence:

$$c^* = \sqrt{2(\sigma^K)^2 (\ln(\lambda_0) + E[\ln(r_0)])} > 0$$

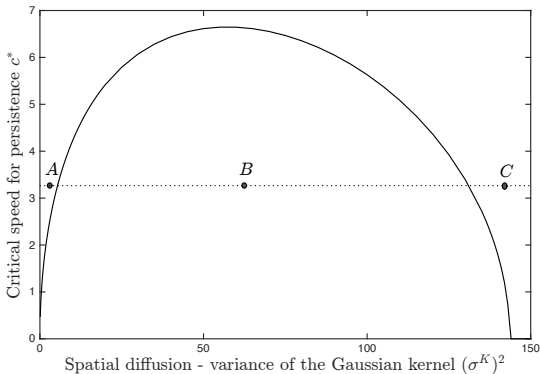
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Critical speed for Gaussian kernel

2 possible environments: bad $(\bar{\sigma}, \underline{r})$ or good $(\underline{\sigma}, \bar{r})$, with

$$P(\text{Good}) = P(\text{bad}) = 0.5, \quad \underline{\sigma} \leq 0 \leq \bar{\sigma}, \quad 0 < \underline{r} \leq \bar{r}$$

Critical speed as a function of the variance of the dispersal kernel

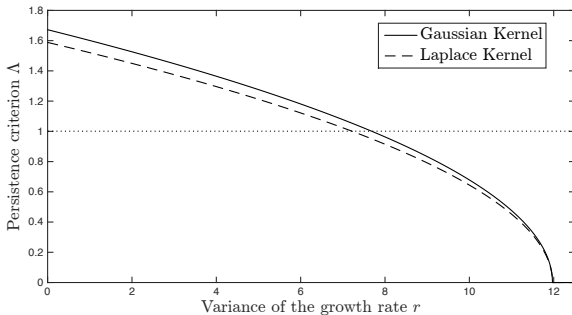


3 different regimes when $c = 3.25$ km/year

Consequence of the variability

Persistence criterion as a function of the variance of the growth rate r

Fixed expectation, increasing the variance

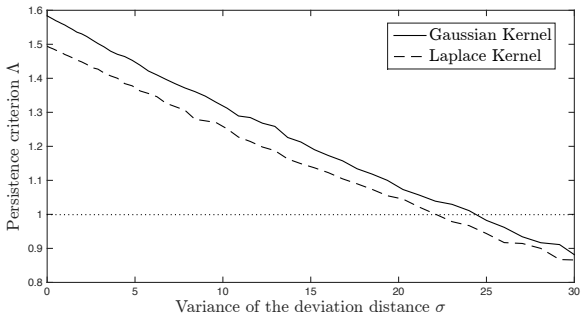


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