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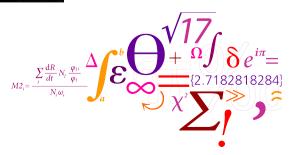


Mechanistic interactions in plankton, fitness and behaviour



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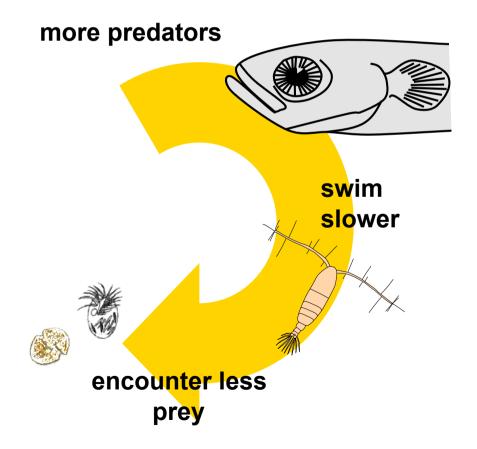


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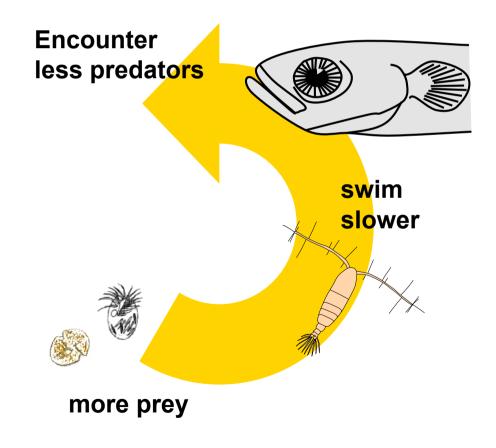


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Resource abundance influences mortality rate of consumer and trophic transfer to top predator



Adaptive Behaviour



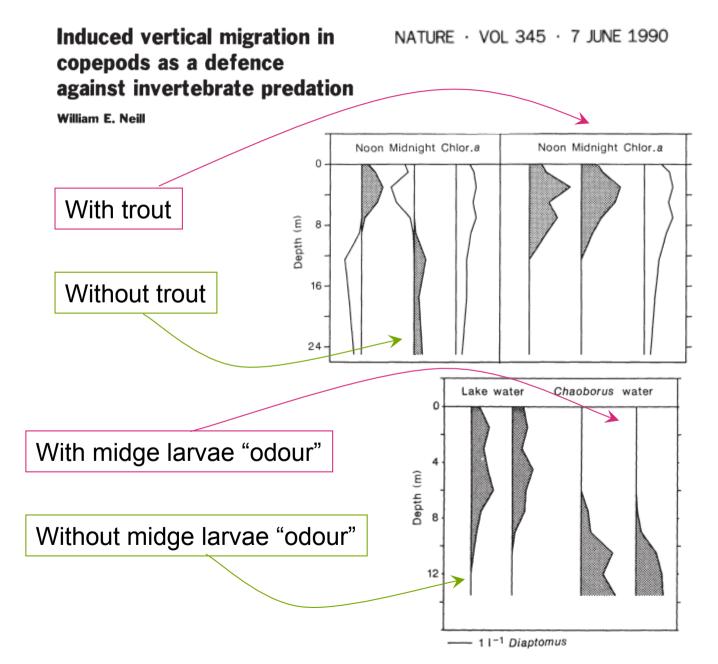
copepod



midge larvae



juvenile trout



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Will a Large Complex System be Stable?

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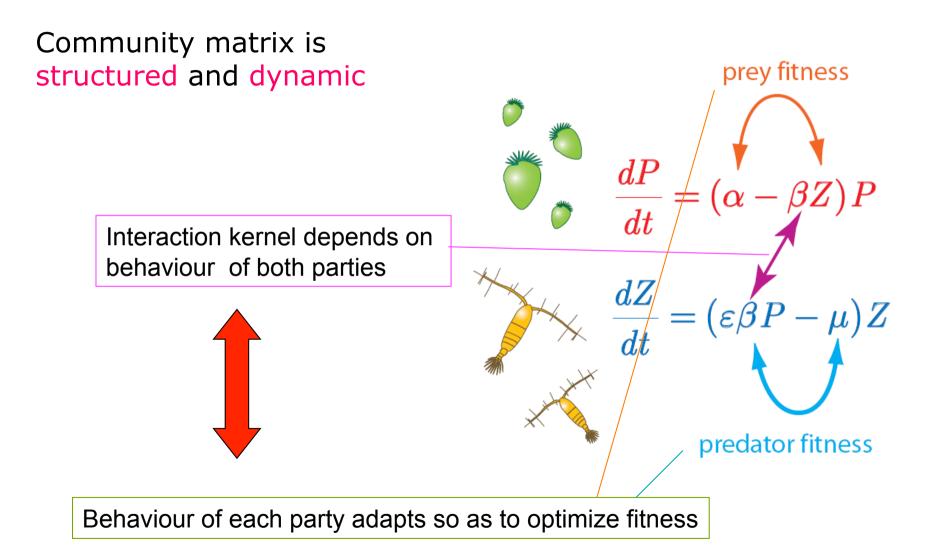
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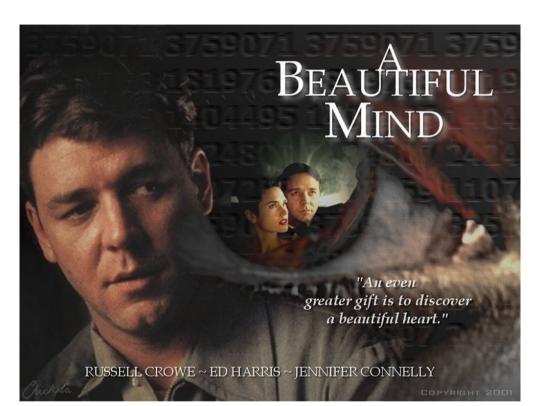
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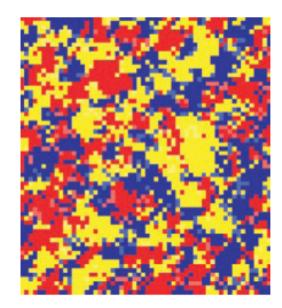
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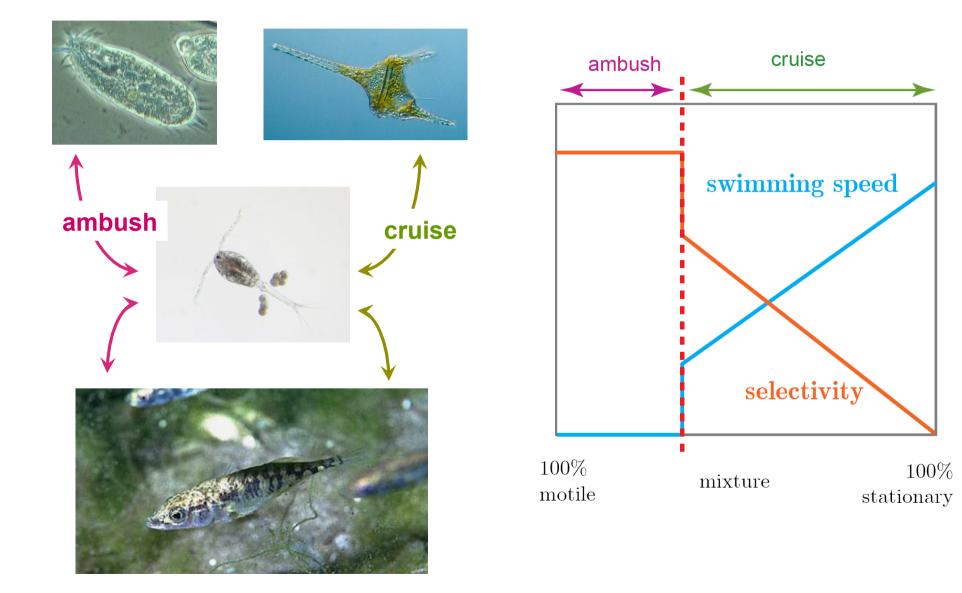
Game theory

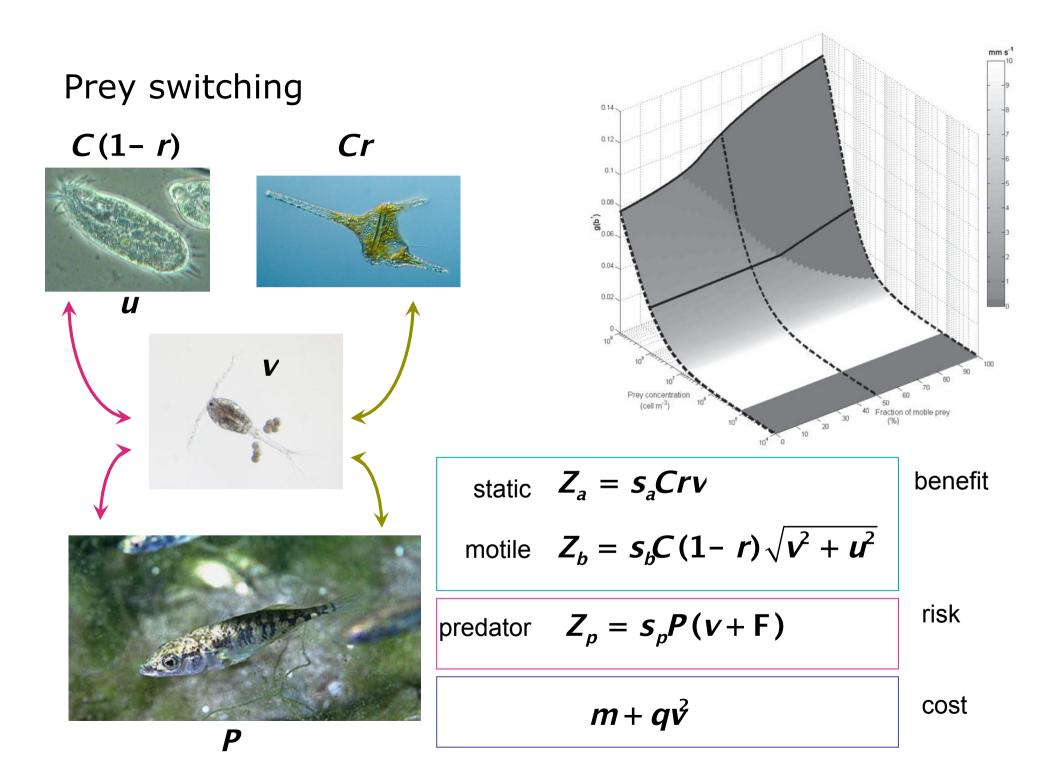


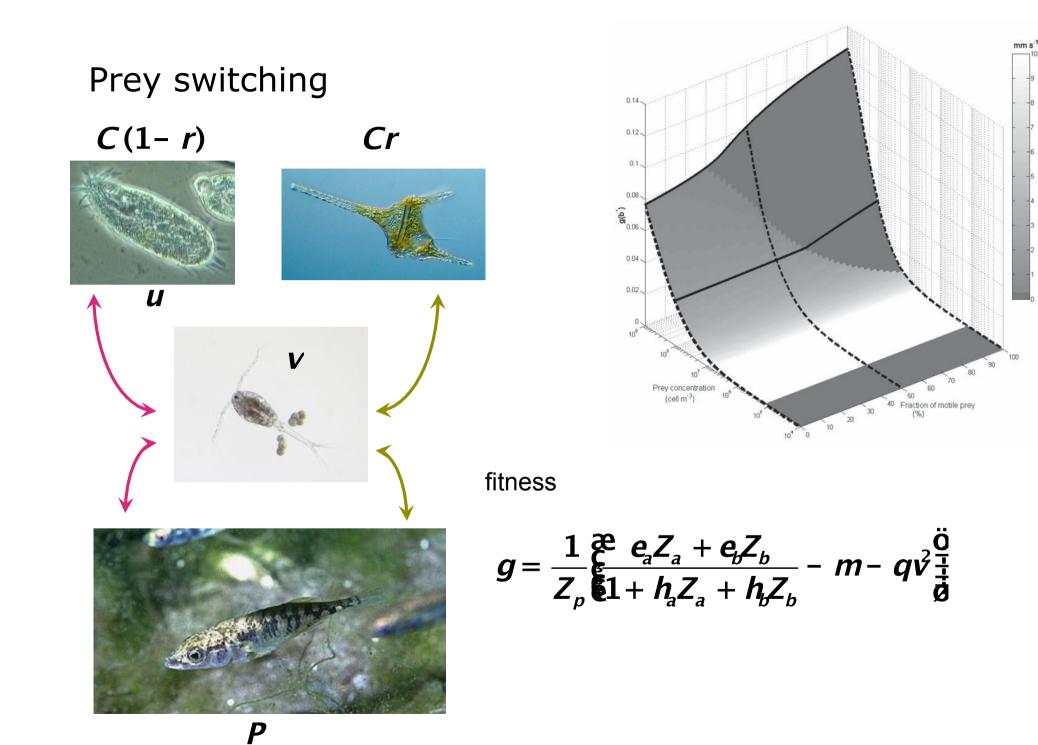
	Player 1	
	Cooperate	Defect
Player 2 Cooperate	Reward for mutual cooperation	Sucker's payoff
Pla Defect	Temptation payoff	Punishment for mutual defection



Prey switching







Prey switching $C = 10^8 m^{-3}$ $C = 10^9 m^{-3}$ 0.19 (a) 0.1 0.18 indestion rate [s,] 0.08 0.07 0.06 0.05 0.09 0.17 0.16 0.15 0.14 (b) 0.04 0.13 x 10⁻⁶ x 10⁻⁶ ambush cruise Δ (c) (d) 2.2 3.5 mortality rate [s⁻¹] 2 3 1.8 2.5 2 1.6 1.5 1.4L 0 80 100 20 40 60 20 40 60 80 100 0 prey motility prey motility Abundance and type of resource influences the trophic transfer rates through out the food web

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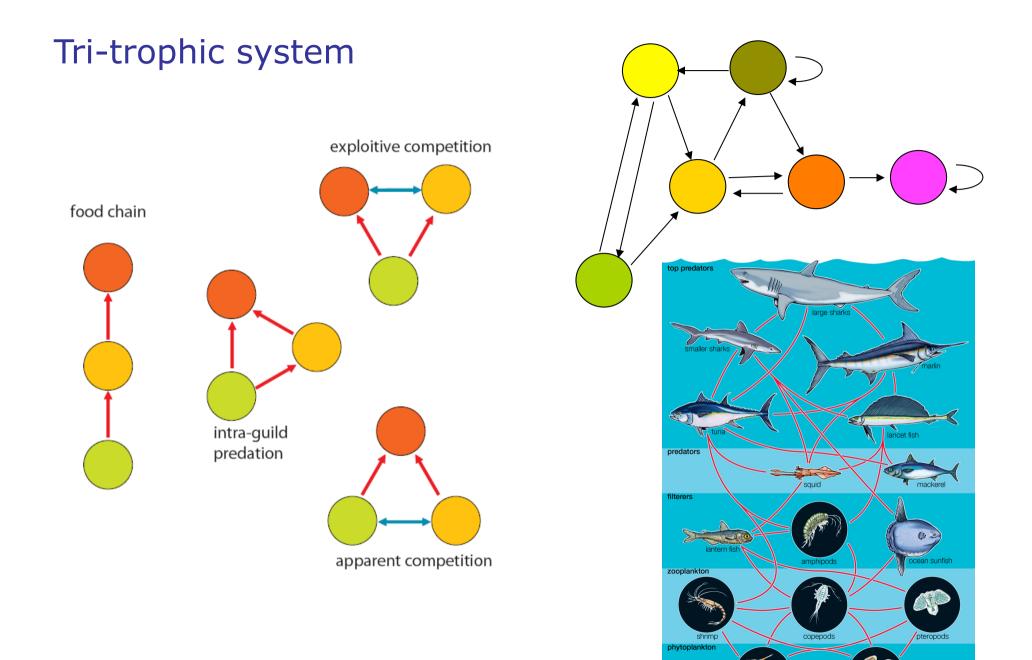


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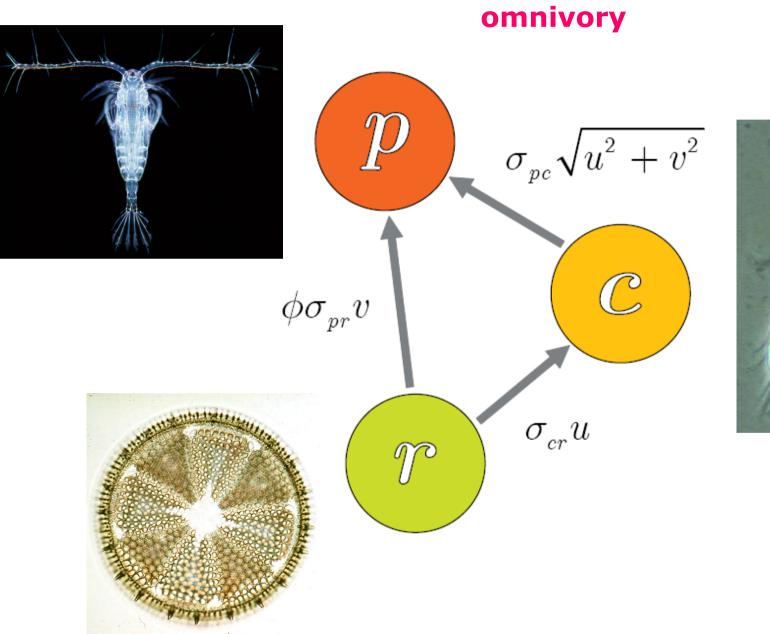
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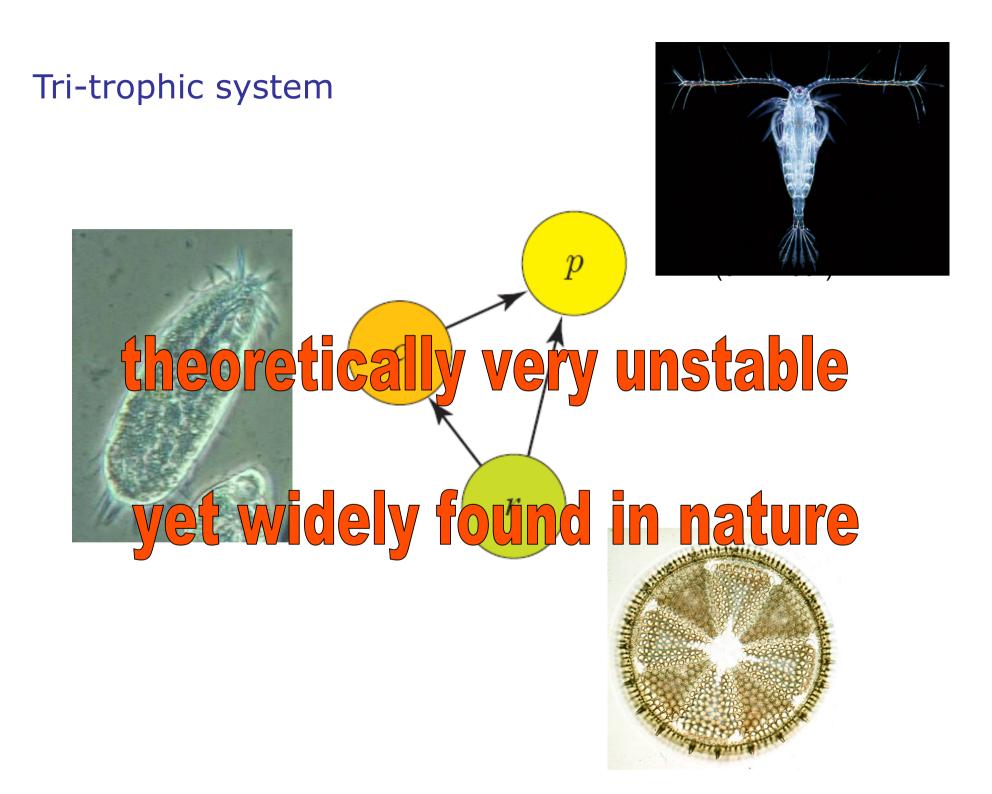


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Tri-trophic system







Tri-trophic system: fixed

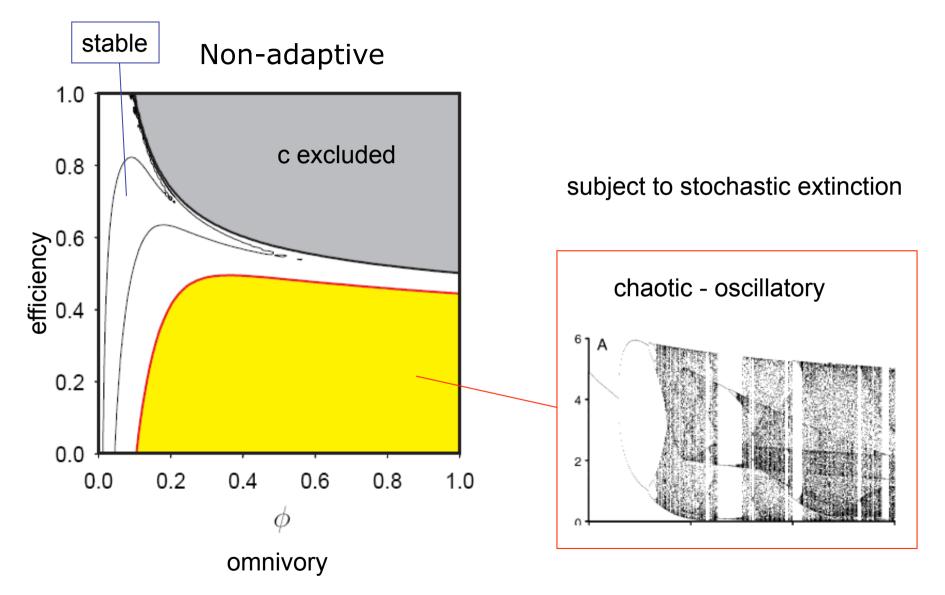
resource

predator

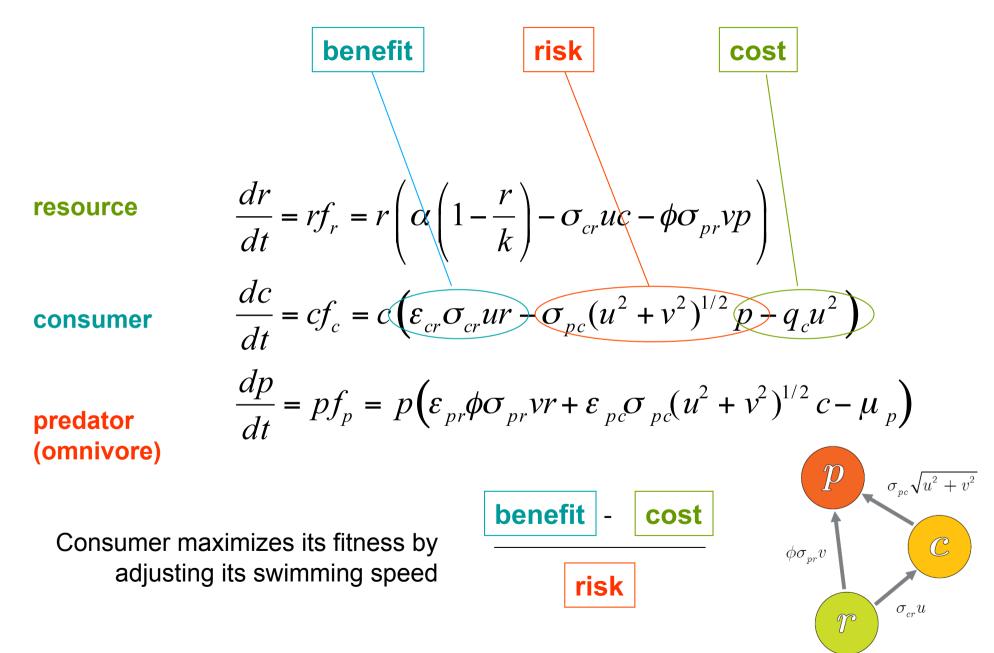
Omnivory parameter $\frac{dr}{dt} = rf_r = r\left(\alpha\left(1 - \frac{r}{k}\right) - \sigma_{cr}uc - \phi\sigma_{pr}vp\right)$ $\frac{dc}{dt} = cf_c = c\left(\varepsilon_{cr}\sigma_{cr}ur - \sigma_{pc}(u^2 + v^2)^{1/2}p - q_cu^2\right)$ $\frac{dp}{dt} = pf_p = p\left(\varepsilon_{pr}\phi\sigma_{pr}vr + \varepsilon_{pc}\sigma_{pc}(u^2 + v^2)^{1/2}c - \mu_p\right)$ consumer Conversion efficiency r to p

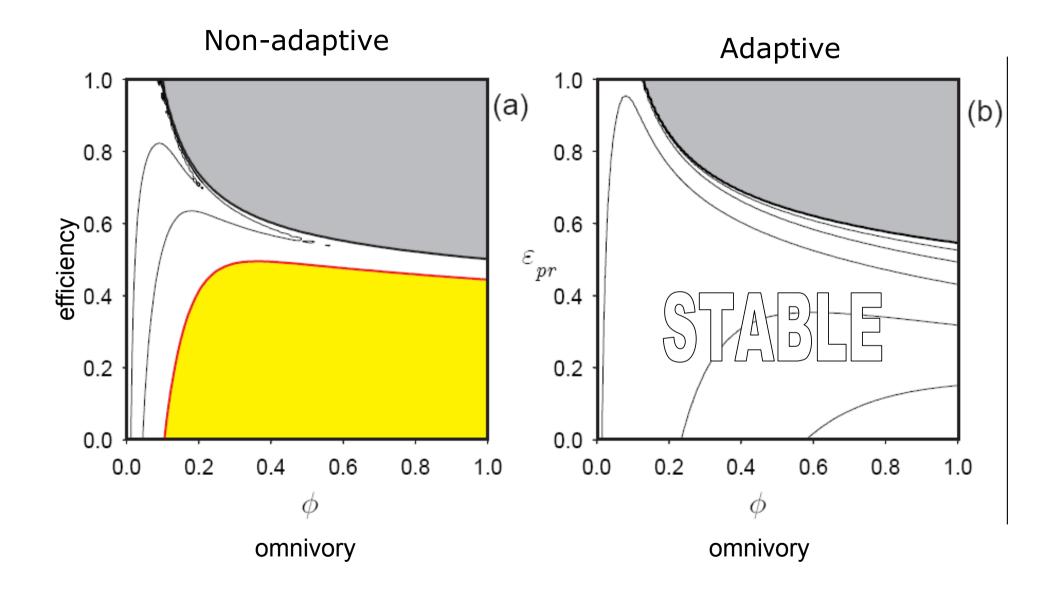
 $\sigma_{pc}\sqrt{u^2+v^2}$ \mathcal{C} $\phi \sigma_{nr} v$ $\sigma_{cr} u$

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Omnivory system





Analytic stability criterion

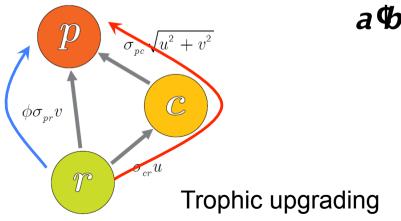
$$I^{3} + aI^{2} + bI + g = 0$$

Routh-Horowitz stability criterion

adaptive non-adaptive

Provided

 $e_{cr}e_{pc} > e_{pr}$



a¢> a > 0 b¢> b > 0 g¢> g > 0 a�b¢- g¢> ab- g

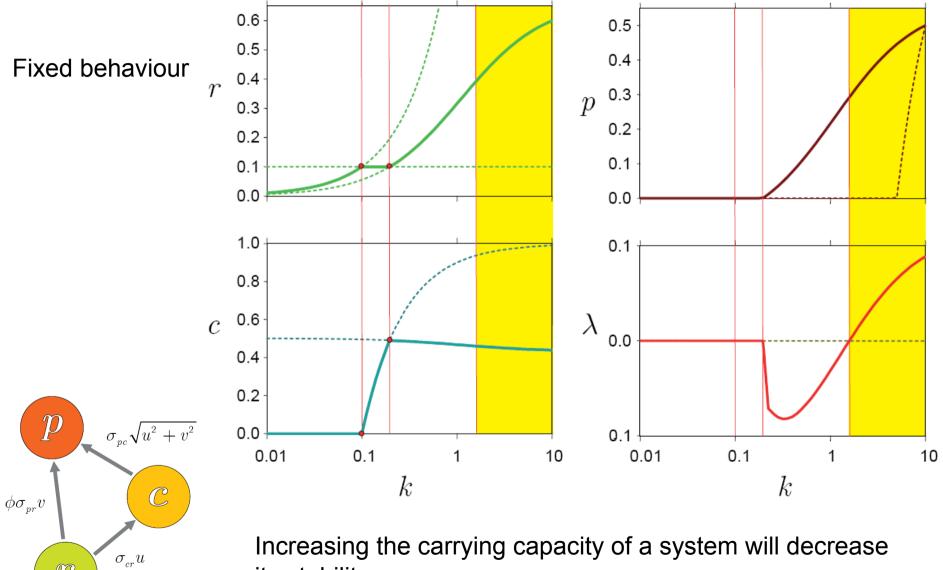
a, b, g > 0 and ab > g

Adaptive system is stable over a greater region of the parameter space than the non-adaptive system

Characteristic equation of the Jacobian

Paradox of enrichment

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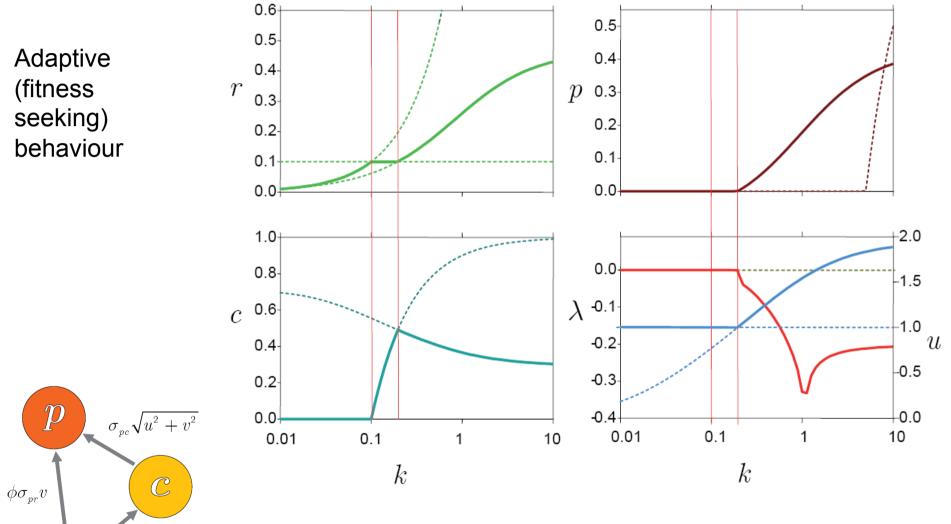


Increasing the carrying capacity of a system will decrease its stability

Paradox of enrichment

 $\sigma_{\scriptscriptstyle cr} u$

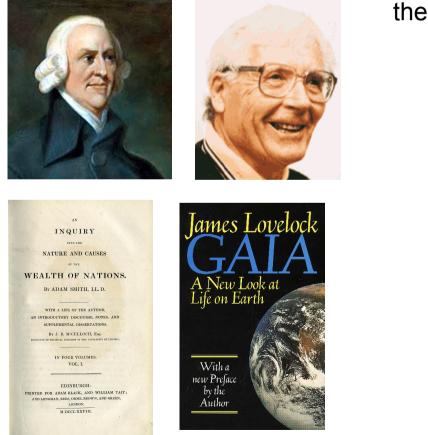
r



Increasing the carrying capacity of a system will decrease its stability

Adaptive behaviour promotes ecosystem stability by damping out oscillations

It is the evolutionary self interest of the "meat in the sandwich" that drives this



What is good for the individual is good for the system ?

Only sometimes



Towards integrated behavioural, evolutionary and ecosystem ecology

Propositions

If we can devise mechanistic understanding of how specific behavioural options, tempered by environmental conditions, impact the fitness tradeoffs faced by individual organisms, then we have a means of predicting rational behaviour.

Such behaviour not only has implications for the organism itself, but has cascading effects through populations, communities and ecosystems.

Emergent properties are manifest across scales from individuals to ecosystems.

⇒ Individual-based plankton ecology