

# Prey Predator Fishery Model with Stage Structure in Two Patchy Marine Aquatic Environment

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## Abstract

In this paper, we propose and analyze a mathematical model to study the dynamics of a fishery resource system with stage structure in an aquatic environment that consists of two zones namely unreserved zone (fishing permitted) and reserved zone (fishing is strictly prohibited). In this model we introduce a stage structure in which predators are split into two kinds as immature predators and mature predators. It is assumed that immature predators cannot catch the prey and their foods are given by their parents (mature predators). It is also assumed that the fishing of immature predators prohibited in the unreserved zone and predator species are not allowed to enter inside the reserved zone. The local and global stability analysis has been specified. Biological and Bionomical equilibriums of the system are derived. Mathematical formulation of the optimal harvesting policy is given and its solution is derived in the equilibrium case by using Pontryagin's maximum principle.

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## 1. Introduction

There are numerous studies on the effects of harvesting on population growth. In the context of Predator-prey interaction, some studies that treat the populations being harvested as a homogeneous resource include those of Brauer and Soudack [1,2], Dai and Tang [3], Myerscough *et al.* [4], Chaudhuri [5] and Leung [6]. For a first look at the problem of harvesting from a bioeconomic or control theory point of view, see the works of Clark [7] and Levin *et al.* [8]. But they have not considered stage structure of species. Some of the stage structured models using time delay were considered by Aiello and Freedman [9], Freedman and Gopalsammy [10], Rosen [11], Fisher and Goh [12], Cushing and Saleem [13], and some other authors. In general, stage structured models exhibit much more complicated dynamics than ordinary models.

Bioeconomic modeling of the exploitation of biological resources such as fisheries and fore tries has gained importance in recent years. The techniques and issues associated with the bioeconomic exploitation of these

resources have been discussed in detail by Clark [7,14]. Since most marine fisheries are essentially multi species in nature, exploitation of mixed species fisheries has started to draw attention from researchers. Although numerous models on single species fisheries have so far appeared in the fishery literature, no fully adequate studies on multispecies fisheries appear to exist.

It is very difficult to construct a realistic model of a multispecies community. Even if we succeed in formulating such a model, it is quite likely that the model may not be analytically tractable. Not every part of the catch is edible and harvesting harms some of the marine species which live on the other species in the sea. Thus the predator species are likely to become extinct with an indiscrete increase in the harvesting of prey species. Therefore, how best to harvest an ecologically or economically interdependent population in the sense of maximizing the present value of a stream of revenues from them, while maintaining ecological balance, is an important optimal control problem for fisheries.

Clark [14] discussed an optimal equilibrium policy for

the combined harvesting of two ecologically independent species. Chaudhuri [5,15] formulated an optimal control problem for the combined harvesting of two competing species. Models on the combined harvesting of a two species prey predator fishery have been discussed by Chaudhuri and Saha Ray [5], Mesterton-Gibbons [13], Ragozin and Brown [16] etc. Most of the mathematical models on the harvesting of a multispecies fishery have so far assumed that the species are affected by harvesting only

The prey-predator system is an important population model and has been studied by many authors [17-19]. It is assumed in the classical predator-prey model that each individual predator possesses the same ability to attack prey. Classical continuous population models such as logistic model and Volterra models overlook age structures and space structures. Also these models overlooked the rate at which mature predators attack the prey and the reproductive rate are also ignored. In [20] a stage structured model of one species growth consisting of immature and mature individuals was analyzed. In [21], it was further assumed that the time from immaturity to maturity is itself state dependent.

In recent years, the optimal management of renewable resources, which has a direct relationship to sustainable development, has been studied extensively by Clark [14], K. S. Chaudhuri [15], T. K. Kar, M. Swarnakamal [22] and W. Wang, L. Chen [23]. At present people are facing the problems due to shortage of resources. Extensive and unregulated harvesting of marine fishes can even lead to the extinction of several fish species. This problem can be addressed by arranging marine reserved zones, where fishing and other activities are prohibited. This marine reserve not only protects species inside the reserve area but also increase fish abundance in adjacent areas. The model of ecological system reflecting these problems has been given by T. K. Kar *et al.* [22] and Rui Zhang *et al.* [24].

Wendy-Wang *et al.* [25], considered prey-predator model with a stage structure in which predators are split in to immature predators and matured predators. They also assumed that the matured predators catch the prey and provide food for the immature predators. Rui Zhang *et al.* [24] considered a prey predator fishery model with prey dispersed in two patch environment, one is free zone for fishing and other is reserved zone where fishing is prohibited.

## 2. The Mathematical Model

Here we consider a habitat where prey and predator species are living together. It is assumed that the habitat is divided into two zones, namely, reserved and unreserved zones. It is also assumed that predator species are not

allowed to enter inside the reserved zone whereas the free mixing of prey species from reserved to unreserved zone and vice-versa is permissible.

In the present paper we proposed a prey-predator model by combining the two features by [24,25], in which prey dispersed in a two patch environment and predator is not allowed to enter inside the reserved zone. Also a stage-structure is incorporated in which predators are split in to immature and mature predators. Here it is assumed that the prey migrates from unreserved zone to reserved zone and vice-versa. It also assumed that the fishing of immature predators is prohibited in the unreserved zone. This paper deals with the following prey-predator system

$$\frac{dx_1}{dt} = r_1x_1 - \frac{r_1x_1^2}{k_1} - \beta x_1y_2 - \sigma_1x_1 + \sigma_2x_2 - q_1E_1x_1 \quad (2.1)$$

$$\frac{dx_2}{dt} = r_2x_2 - \frac{r_2x_2^2}{k_2} + \sigma_1x_1 - \sigma_2x_2 \quad (2.2)$$

$$\frac{dy_1}{dt} = \frac{\alpha_1\beta x_1y_2}{wy_1 + y_2} - \frac{\alpha_2\beta x_1y_1y_2w}{wy_1 + y_2} \quad (2.3)$$

$$\frac{dy_2}{dt} = \frac{\alpha_2\beta x_1y_1y_2w}{wy_1 + y_2} - d_2y_2 - q_2E_2y_2. \quad (2.4)$$

Here  $x_1(t)$ ,  $x_2(t)$  represents biomass densities of prey species in the unreserved and reserved areas respectively at a time " $t$ ".  $y_1(t)$ ,  $y_2(t)$  represents biomass densities of immature and mature predators in unreserved area.  $r_1$ ,  $r_2$  represents intrinsic growth rates of prey species in unreserved and reserved areas respectively.  $k_1$ ,  $k_2$  represents carrying capacities of prey species in unreserved and reserved zones respectively.  $\beta$  represents capturing rate or capturing efficiency of the predators.  $\sigma_1$ ,  $\sigma_2$  represents migration rates from unreserved to reserved zones and vice-versa.  $q_1$ ,  $q_2$  represents catch-ability coefficients of prey and matured predators respectively in unreserved zone.  $E_1$ ,  $E_2$  represents the efforts applied to harvest the prey and matured predator species respectively in unreserved zone.  $d_2$  represents the death rate of mature predators in unreserved zone.  $\alpha_1$  represents birth rate of predators.  $\alpha_2$  represents conversion coefficient of immature predators to matured predators. We suppose that the attacking rate of mature predators at the prey *i.e.* the loss rate of prey is  $\beta x_1y_2$ .

Since mature predators and immature predators may have distinct consumption rates to the resource, we assume that they consume the resource in the ratio  $w:1$ , where  $w$  measures the relative consumption ratio between one immature predator and one mature predator, *i.e.*,  $w:1$  gives the allocation ratio of food between one immature predator and one mature predator. We assume

that all the weighted individuals share the quantity of food availability in equal parts. As a result, a fraction of resource consumed by mature predator is

$$\beta x_1 y_2 \frac{y_2}{w y_1 + y_2} \text{ and a fraction of resource consumed by}$$

immature predators is  $\beta x_1 y_2 \frac{w y_1}{w y_1 + y_2}$ .

If there is no migration of fish population from the reserved area to the unreserved area (*i.e.*  $\sigma_2 = 0$ ) and

$$r_1 - \sigma_1 - q_1 E_1 < 0, \text{ then } \frac{dx_1}{dt} < 0. \text{ Similarly if there is no}$$

migration of fish population from the unreserved area to reserved area (*i.e.*  $\sigma_1 = 0$ ) and  $r_2 - \sigma_2 < 0$ , then

$$\frac{dx_2}{dt} < 0. \text{ Therefore we assume that } r_1 - \sigma_1 - q_1 E_1 > 0,$$

$r_2 - \sigma_2 > 0$  throughout our analysis.

### 3. Existence of Equilibria

The steady state equations of (2.1)-(2.4) are

$$r_1 x_1 - \frac{r_1 x_1^2}{k_1} - \beta x_1 y_2 - \sigma_1 x_1 + \sigma_2 x_2 - q_1 E_1 x_1 = 0 \quad (3.1)$$

$$r_2 x_2 - \frac{r_2 x_2^2}{k_2} + \sigma_1 x_1 - \sigma_2 x_2 = 0 \quad (3.2)$$

$$\alpha_1 \beta x_1 y_2 \frac{y_2}{w y_1 + y_2} - \alpha_2 \beta x_1 y_2 \frac{w y_1}{w y_1 + y_2} = 0 \quad (3.3)$$

$$\alpha_2 \beta x_1 y_2 \frac{w y_1}{w y_1 + y_2} - d_2 y_2 - q_2 E_2 y_2 = 0 \quad (3.4)$$

The three possible equilibrium points are

1)  $G_1(x_1^*, x_2^*, 0, 0)$  (In the absence of predators in unreserved zone);

2)  $G_2(x_1^\phi, x_2^\phi, y_1^\phi, 0)$  (In the absence of mature predators in unreserved zone);

3)  $G_3(\bar{x}_1, \bar{x}_2, \bar{y}_1, \bar{y}_2)$  (The interior equilibrium).

**Case 1):**  $G_1(x_1^*, x_2^*, 0, 0)$ :

In this case,  $x_1^*, x_2^*$  are the positive solutions of (3.1) & (3.2). It may be noted that for  $x_1^*, x_2^*$  to be positive we must have

$$\frac{r_2(r_1 - \sigma_1 - q_1 E_1)}{k_2 \sigma_2^2} < \frac{(r_2 - \sigma_2)r_1}{k_1 \sigma_2} \quad (3.5)$$

$$\frac{(r_2 - \sigma_2)(r_1 - \sigma_1 - q_1 E_1)}{\sigma_2} < \sigma_1 \quad (3.6)$$

$$\frac{r_1 x_1^*}{k_1} > (r_1 - \sigma_1 - q_1 E_1). \quad (3.7)$$

**Case 2):** In the absence of mature predators in the un-

reserved zone, there will not be any production of immature predators and hence this case coincides with Case 1).

**Case 3):** Solving (3.1), (3.2), (3.3), & (3.4), we get

$$\bar{x}_1 = \frac{1}{\alpha_1 \alpha_2 \beta} (\alpha_1 + \alpha_2) (d_2 + q_2 E_2) \quad (3.8)$$

$$\bar{x}_2 = \frac{k_2}{2r_2} \left[ (r_2 - \sigma_2) + \sqrt{(r_2 - \sigma_2)^2 + \frac{4r_2 \sigma_1 \bar{x}_1}{k_2}} \right] \quad (3.9)$$

$$\bar{y}_1 = \frac{\alpha_1}{\alpha_2 \beta \bar{x}_1 w} \left[ (r_1 - \sigma_1 - q_1 E_1) \bar{x}_1 - \frac{r_1 \bar{x}_1^2}{k_1} + \sigma_2 \bar{x}_2 \right] \quad (3.10)$$

$$\bar{y}_2 = \frac{1}{\beta \bar{x}_1} \left[ (r_1 - \sigma_1 - q_1 E_1) \bar{x}_1 - \frac{r_1 \bar{x}_1^2}{k_1} + \sigma_2 \bar{x}_2 \right]. \quad (3.11)$$

For  $\bar{y}_1$  and  $\bar{y}_2$  both to be positive, we must have

$$(r_1 - \sigma_1 - q_1 E_1) \bar{x}_1 + \sigma_2 \bar{x}_2 > \frac{r_1 \bar{x}_1^2}{k_1}. \quad (3.12)$$

### 4. Qualitative Analysis of the Model

#### 4.1. Local Stability Analysis

Let us now suppose that system (2.1)-(2.4) has a unique equilibrium  $G_3(\bar{x}_1, \bar{x}_2, \bar{y}_1, \bar{y}_2)$ .

$$J = \begin{bmatrix} J_{11} & J_{12} & J_{13} & J_{14} \\ J_{21} & J_{22} & J_{23} & J_{24} \\ J_{31} & J_{32} & J_{33} & J_{34} \\ J_{41} & J_{42} & J_{43} & J_{44} \end{bmatrix} \quad (4.1)$$

where

$$J_{11} = r_1 - \frac{2r_1 \bar{x}_1}{k_1} - \beta \bar{y}_2 - \sigma_1 - q_1 E_1 = \frac{-r_1 \bar{x}_1}{k_1} - \frac{\sigma_2 \bar{x}_2}{\bar{x}_1}$$

$$J_{21} = \sigma_1;$$

$$J_{31} = \frac{\alpha_1 \beta \bar{y}_2^2}{w \bar{y}_1 + \bar{y}_2} - \frac{\alpha_2 \beta \bar{y}_1 \bar{y}_2 w}{w \bar{y}_1 + \bar{y}_2};$$

$$J_{41} = \frac{\alpha_2 \beta \bar{y}_1 \bar{y}_2 w}{w \bar{y}_1 + \bar{y}_2};$$

$$J_{12} = \sigma_2;$$

$$J_{22} = r_2 - \frac{2r_2 \bar{x}_2}{k_2} - \sigma_2 = \frac{-r_2 \bar{x}_2}{k_2} - \frac{\sigma_1 \bar{x}_1}{\bar{x}_2}; \quad J_{32} = 0;$$

$$J_{42} = 0; \quad J_{13} = 0; \quad J_{23} = 0;$$

$$J_{33} = -\frac{\alpha_1 \beta \bar{x}_1 \bar{y}_2^2 w}{(w \bar{y}_1 + \bar{y}_2)^2} - \frac{\alpha_2 \beta \bar{x}_1 (\bar{y}_2)^2 w}{(w \bar{y}_1 + \bar{y}_2)^2};$$

$$J_{43} = \frac{\alpha_2 \beta \bar{x}_1 (\bar{y}_2)^2 w}{(w\bar{y}_1 + \bar{y}_2)^2};$$

$$J_{14} = -\beta \bar{x}_1;$$

$$J_{24} = 0;$$

$$J_{34} = \frac{2\alpha_1 \beta \bar{x}_1 \bar{y}_1 \bar{y}_2 w}{(w\bar{y}_1 + \bar{y}_2)^2} + \frac{\alpha_1 \beta \bar{x}_1 (\bar{y}_2)^2}{(w\bar{y}_1 + \bar{y}_2)^2} - \frac{\alpha_2 \beta \bar{x}_1 (\bar{y}_1)^2 w^2}{(w\bar{y}_1 + \bar{y}_2)^2};$$

$$J_{44} = \frac{\alpha_2 \beta \bar{x}_1 (\bar{y}_1)^2 w^2}{(w\bar{y}_1 + \bar{y}_2)^2} - d_2 - q_2 E_2 = -\frac{\alpha_2 \beta \bar{x}_1 w \bar{y}_1 \bar{y}_2}{(w\bar{y}_1 + \bar{y}_2)^2}.$$

The characteristic equation of the Jacobian matrix of (2.1)-(2.4) at  $G_3(\bar{x}_1, \bar{x}_2, \bar{y}_1, \bar{y}_2)$  is

$$\lambda^4 + a_1 \lambda^3 + a_2 \lambda^2 + a_3 \lambda + a_4 = 0 \tag{4.2}$$

where

$$a_1 = \left( \frac{r_1 x_1}{k_1} + \frac{r_2 x_2}{k_2} + \frac{\sigma_2 x_2}{x_1} + \frac{\sigma_1 x_1}{x_2} \right) + \frac{\beta x_1 y_2 w}{p^2} (\alpha_1 y_2 + \alpha_2 y_1 + \alpha_2 y_2) > 0$$

$$a_2 = \left( \frac{r_1 r_2 x_1 x_2}{k_1 k_2} + \frac{r_1 \sigma_1 x_1^2}{k_1 x_2} + \frac{r_2 \sigma_2 x_2^2}{k_2 x_1} \right) + \frac{\alpha_2 \beta^2 x_1^2 y_1 y_2^3 w^2}{p^4} [2(\alpha_1 + \alpha_2)] + \frac{\alpha_2 \beta^2 x_1 y_1 y_2 w}{p} + \left[ \frac{r_2 \beta x_1 x_2 y_2 w}{k_2 p^2} + \frac{\sigma_1 \beta x_1^2 y_2 w}{x_2 p^2} + \frac{r_1 \beta x_1^2 y_2 w}{k_1 p^2} + \frac{\sigma_2 \beta x_1 y_2 w}{p^2} \right] \cdot [\alpha_1 y_2 + \alpha_2 y_2 + \alpha_2 y_1] > 0$$

$$a_3 = \left( \frac{r_1 r_2 x_1 x_2}{k_1 k_2} + \frac{r_1 \sigma_1 x_1^2}{k_1 x_2} + \frac{r_2 \sigma_2 x_2^2}{x_1 k_2} \right) \cdot \left[ (\alpha_1 + \alpha_2) \frac{\beta x_1 y_2^2 w}{p^2} + \frac{\alpha_2 \beta x_1 y_1 y_2 w}{p^2} \right] + \frac{\alpha_2 \beta^2 x_1 y_1 y_2 w}{p} \left[ (\alpha_1 + \alpha_2) \frac{\beta x_1 y_2^2 w}{p^2} + \left( \frac{r_2 x_2}{k_2} + \frac{\sigma_1 x_1}{x_2} \right) \right] > 0$$

$$a_4 = \frac{\alpha_2 \beta^3 x_1^2 y_1 y_2^3 w^2}{p^3} (\alpha_1 + \alpha_2) \left( \frac{r_2 x_2}{k_2} + \frac{\sigma_1 x_1}{x_2} \right) > 0.$$

Now,

$$a_1 = \left( \frac{r_1 x_1}{k_1} + \frac{r_2 x_2}{k_2} + \frac{\sigma_2 x_2}{x_1} + \frac{\sigma_1 x_1}{x_2} \right) + \frac{\beta x_1 y_2 w}{p^2} (\alpha_1 y_2 + \alpha_2 y_1 + \alpha_2 y_2);$$

$$= A + \left( \frac{\beta x_1 y_2 w}{p^2} \right) B$$

where

$$A = \left( \frac{r_1 x_1}{k_1} + \frac{r_2 x_2}{k_2} + \frac{\sigma_2 x_2}{x_1} + \frac{\sigma_1 x_1}{x_2} \right);$$

$$B = \alpha_1 y_2 + \alpha_2 y_1 + \alpha_2 y_2$$

$$a_2 = \frac{r_1 r_2 x_1 x_2}{K_1 K_2} + \frac{r_1 \sigma_1 x_1^2}{K_1 x_2} + \frac{r_2 \sigma_2 x_2^2}{K_2 x_1}$$

$$a_2 = \frac{r_1 r_2 x_1 x_2}{K_1 K_2} + \frac{r_1 \sigma_1 x_1^2}{K_1 x_2} + \frac{r_2 \sigma_2 x_2^2}{K_2 x_1}$$

$$+ \left[ \frac{r_2 \beta x_1 x_2 y_2 w}{K_2 p^2} + \frac{\sigma_1 \beta x_1^2 y_2 w}{x_2 p^2} + \frac{r_1 \beta x_1^2 y_2 w}{K_1 p^2} + \frac{\sigma_2 \beta x_2 y_2 w}{p^2} \right] \cdot (\alpha_1 y_2 + \alpha_2 y_2 + \alpha_2 y_1)$$

$$+ \frac{\alpha_2 \beta^2 x_1^2 y_1 y_2^3 w^2}{p^4} [2(\alpha_1 + \alpha_2)] + \frac{\alpha_2 \beta^2 x_1 y_1 y_2 w}{p}$$

$$= C + \left( \frac{\beta x_1 y_2 w}{p^2} \right) A (\alpha_1 y_2 + \alpha_2 y_2 + \alpha_2 y_1)$$

$$+ \frac{\alpha_2 \beta^2 x_1^2 y_1 y_2^3 w^2}{p^4} 2(\alpha_1 + \alpha_2) + \frac{\alpha_2 \beta^2 x_1 y_1 y_2 w}{p}$$

where

$$C = \frac{r_1 r_2 x_1 x_2}{k_1 k_2} + \frac{r_1 \sigma_1 x_1^2}{k_1 x_2} + \frac{r_2 \sigma_2 x_2^2}{k_2 x_1}$$

$$a_3 = \left( \frac{r_1 r_2 x_1 x_2}{k_1 k_2} + \frac{r_1 \sigma_1 x_1^2}{k_1 x_2} + \frac{r_2 \sigma_2 x_2^2}{x_1 k_2} \right)$$

$$\cdot \left[ (\alpha_1 + \alpha_2) \frac{\beta x_1 y_2^2 w}{p^2} + \frac{\alpha_2 \beta x_1 y_1 y_2 w}{p^2} \right]$$

$$+ \frac{\alpha_2 \beta^2 x_1 y_1 y_2 w}{p} \left[ (\alpha_1 + \alpha_2) \frac{\beta x_1 y_2^2 w}{p^2} + \left( \frac{r_2 x_2}{k_2} + \frac{\sigma_1 x_1}{x_2} \right) \right]$$

$$a_4 = \frac{\alpha_2 \beta^3 x_1^2 y_1 y_2^3 w^2}{p^3} (\alpha_1 + \alpha_2) \left( \frac{r_2 x_2}{k_2} + \frac{\sigma_1 x_1}{x_2} \right) > 0.$$

Again,

$$(a_1 a_2 - a_3) = A \cdot C + A^2 \left( \frac{\beta x_1 y_2 w}{p^2} \right) B$$

$$+ A \frac{\alpha_2 \beta^2 x_1^2 y_1 y_2^3 w^2}{p^4} 2(\alpha_1 + \alpha_2)$$

$$+ \frac{\alpha_2 \beta^2 x_1 y_1 y_2 w}{p} \left( \frac{r_1 x_1}{k_1} + \frac{\sigma_2 x_2}{x_1} \right)$$

$$+ C \left( \frac{\beta x_1 y_2 w}{p^2} \right) B + \frac{\beta^2 x_1^2 y_2^2 w^2}{p^4} AB^2$$

$$+ \frac{\alpha_2 \beta^3 x_1^3 y_1 y_2^4 w^3}{p^6} 2(\alpha_1 + \alpha_2) B + \frac{\alpha_2^2 \beta^3 x_1^2 y_1^2 y_2^2 w^2}{p^3}.$$

Therefore,

$$\begin{aligned}
 (a_1 a_2 - a_3) a_3 &= \left[ A^2 \left( \frac{r_2 x_2}{k_2} + \frac{\sigma_1 x_1}{x_2} \right) \frac{\alpha_2 \beta^3 x_1^2 y_1 y_2^2 w^2}{p^3} B \right] \\
 &+ \left[ A \cdot \frac{\alpha_2 \beta^5 x_1^4 y_1 y_2^5 w^4}{p^7} (\alpha_1 + \alpha_2) B^2 \right] \\
 &+ \left[ A \cdot \frac{\alpha_2 \beta^4 x_1^3 y_1 y_2^3 w^3}{p^5} \left( \frac{r_2 x_2}{k_2} + \frac{\sigma_1 x_1}{x_2} \right) B^2 \right] \\
 &+ \left[ A^2 \cdot \frac{\alpha_2 \beta^4 x_1^3 y_1 y_2^4 w^3}{p^5} (\alpha_1 + \alpha_2) B \right] + \left[ A \cdot C^2 \left( \frac{\beta x_1 y_2 w}{p^2} \right) \cdot B \right] \\
 &+ \left[ A \cdot C \cdot \frac{\alpha_2 \beta^3 x_1^2 y_1 y_2^3 w^2}{p^3} (\alpha_1 + \alpha_2) \right] \\
 &+ \left[ A \cdot C \cdot \left( \frac{r_2 x_2}{k_2} + \frac{\sigma_1 x_1}{x_2} \right) \left( \frac{\alpha_2 \beta^2 x_1 y_1 y_2 w}{p} \right) \right] \\
 &+ \left[ A^2 \cdot C \cdot \left( \frac{\beta^2 x_1^2 y_2^2 w^2}{p^4} \right) B^2 \right] \\
 &+ \left[ A \cdot C \cdot \frac{\alpha_2 \beta^3 x_1^3 y_1 y_2^4 w^3}{p^6} 2(\alpha_1 + \alpha_2) B \right] \\
 &+ \left[ A \cdot \frac{\alpha_2^2 \beta^5 x_1^4 y_1^2 y_2^6 w^4}{p^7} 2(\alpha_1 + \alpha_2)^2 \right] \\
 &+ \left[ A \cdot \frac{\alpha_2^2 \beta^4 x_1^3 y_1^2 y_2^4 w^3}{p^5} 2(\alpha_1 + \alpha_2) \left( \frac{r_2 x_2}{k_2} + \frac{\sigma_1 x_1}{x_2} \right) \right] \\
 &+ \left[ C \frac{\alpha_2 \beta^3 x_1^2 y_1 y_2^2 w^2}{p^3} \left( \frac{r_1 x_1}{k_1} + \frac{\sigma_2 x_2}{x_1} \right) B \right] \\
 &+ \left[ \frac{\alpha_2^2 \beta^4 x_1^3 y_1^2 y_2^4 w^3}{p^4} (\alpha_1 + \alpha_2) \left( \frac{r_1 x_1}{k_1} + \frac{\sigma_2 x_2}{x_1} \right) \right] \\
 &+ \left[ \frac{\alpha_2^2 \beta^4 x_1^2 y_1^2 y_2^2 w^2}{p^2} \left( \frac{r_1 x_1}{k_1} + \frac{\sigma_2 x_2}{x_1} \right) \left( \frac{r_2 x_2}{k_2} + \frac{\sigma_1 x_1}{x_2} \right) \right] \\
 &+ \left[ A \cdot C \cdot \frac{\beta^3 x_1^3 y_2^3 w^3}{p^6} B^3 \right] \\
 &+ \left[ C \cdot \frac{\alpha_2 \beta^4 x_1^4 y_1 y_2^5 w^4}{p^8} 2(\alpha_1 + \alpha_2) B^2 \right] \\
 &+ \left[ \frac{\alpha_2^2 \beta^6 x_1^5 y_1^2 y_2^7 w^5}{p^9} 2(\alpha_1 + \alpha_2)^2 B \right] \\
 &+ \left[ \frac{\alpha_2^2 \beta^5 x_1^4 y_1^2 y_2^5 w^4}{p^7} 2(\alpha_1 + \alpha_2) B \left( \frac{r_2 x_2}{k_2} + \frac{\sigma_1 x_1}{x_2} \right) \right] \\
 &+ \left[ C \cdot \frac{\alpha_2^2 \beta^4 x_1^3 y_1^2 y_2^3 w^3}{p^5} B \right] + \left[ \frac{\alpha_2^3 \beta^6 x_1^4 y_1^3 y_2^5 w^4}{p^5} (\alpha_1 + \alpha_2) \right] \\
 &+ \left[ \frac{\alpha_2^3 \beta^5 x_1^3 y_1^3 y_2^3 w^3}{p^4} \left( \frac{r_2 x_2}{k_2} + \frac{\sigma_1 x_1}{x_2} \right) \right].
 \end{aligned}
 \tag{4.3}$$

Again,

$$\begin{aligned}
 a_1^2 a_4 &= \left[ A^2 + \frac{\beta^2 x_1^2 y_2^2 w^2}{p^4} B^2 + 2A \cdot \frac{\beta x_1 y_2 w}{p^2} B \right] \\
 &\cdot \left( \frac{r_2 x_2}{k_2} + \frac{\sigma_1 x_1}{x_2} \right) \left( \frac{\alpha_2 \beta^3 x_1^2 y_1 y_2^3 w^2}{p^3} \right) (\alpha_1 + \alpha_2) \\
 \Rightarrow a_1^2 a_4 &= A^2 \left( \frac{r_2 x_2}{k_2} + \frac{\sigma_1 x_1}{x_2} \right) (\alpha_1 + \alpha_2) \\
 &\cdot \left( \frac{\alpha_2 \beta^3 x_1^2 y_1 y_2^3 w^2}{p^3} \right) B^2 \cdot \left( \frac{\alpha_2 \beta^5 x_1^4 y_1 y_2^5 w^4}{p^7} \right) \\
 &\cdot \left( \frac{r_2 x_2}{k_2} + \frac{\sigma_1 x_1}{x_2} \right) (\alpha_1 + \alpha_2) 2A \cdot \frac{\alpha_2 \beta^4 x_1^3 y_1 y_2^4 w^3}{p^5} \\
 &\cdot B (\alpha_1 + \alpha_2) \left( \frac{r_2 x_2}{k_2} + \frac{\sigma_1 x_1}{x_2} \right).
 \end{aligned}
 \tag{4.4}$$

By combining first four terms of the right hand side of (4.3) with the first three terms of right hand side of (4.4), it can easily be established that

$$(a_1 a_2 - a_3) a_3 - a_1^2 a_4 > 0.$$

Since  $a_4 > 0$ , it is clear that

$$a_4 (a_1 a_2 a_3 - a_1^2 a_4 - a_3^2) > 0.$$

Hence  $G_4(\bar{x}_1, \bar{x}_2, \bar{y}_1, \bar{y}_2)$  is locally asymptotically stable. So by Routh-Hurwitz criteria, it follows that all eigen values of (3.2) have negative real parts if and only if  $a_1 > 0, a_3 > 0, a_4 > 0, a_3(a_1 a_2 - a_3) > a_1^2 a_4$  and

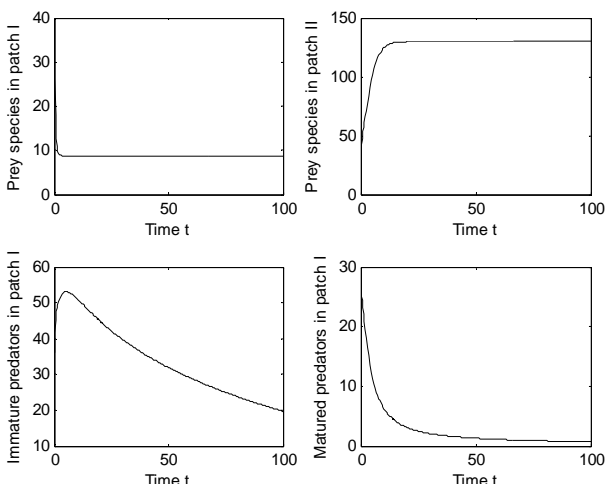
$$a_4 (a_1 a_2 a_3 - a_1^2 a_4 - a_3^2) > 0.$$

Hence,  $G_3(\bar{x}_1, \bar{x}_2, \bar{y}_1, \bar{y}_2)$  is Locally asymptotically stable. Thus the four populations remain stable under the conditions we have obtained in the above study. The fact can also be proved numerically. We have solved the above system for a set of parameter values. The parameter values also satisfy the condition for existence of the interior equilibrium point  $G_3(\bar{x}_1, \bar{x}_2, \bar{y}_1, \bar{y}_2)$ . The real data is very difficult to obtain. So we use a set of the hypothetical parameter values as follows:  $r_1 = 1.6; r_2 = 1.2; k_1 = 270; k_2 = 250; \sigma_1 = 0.4; \sigma_2 = 0.4; q_1 = 3.0; q_2 = 3.2; E_1 = 0.02; E_2 = 0.082; \alpha_1 = 1.9; \alpha_2 = 2.1; \beta = 0.06; w = 0.7; d_2 = 0.22$ . The time series of the populations are shown in the **Figure 1**. The **Figure 1** shows that the populations are finite for long time and the system is stable.

### 4.2. Global Stability Analysis

**Theorem 1.** The Equilibrium point  $G_1(x_1^*, x_2^*, 0, 0)$  is globally asymptotically stable.

Proof: let us consider the following Lyapunov function



**Figure 1. Stable time series evolution of the prey and predator populations of the model system (2.1)-(2.4).**

$$V(x_1, x_2) = \left( x_1 - x_1^* - x_1^* \ln \left( \frac{x_1}{x_1^*} \right) \right) + l_1 \left( x_2 - x_2^* - x_2^* \ln \left( \frac{x_2}{x_2^*} \right) \right)$$

$$\begin{aligned} V(x_1, x_2, y_1, y_2) &= \left( x_1 - \bar{x}_1 - \bar{x}_1 \ln \left( \frac{x_1}{\bar{x}_1} \right) \right) + l_1 \left( x_2 - \bar{x}_2 - \bar{x}_2 \ln \left( \frac{x_2}{\bar{x}_2} \right) \right) + l_2 \left( y_1 - \bar{y}_1 - \bar{y}_1 \ln \left( \frac{y_1}{\bar{y}_1} \right) \right) + l_3 \left( y_2 - \bar{y}_2 - \bar{y}_2 \ln \left( \frac{y_2}{\bar{y}_2} \right) \right) \\ \Rightarrow \frac{dV}{dt} &= \left( \frac{x_1 - \bar{x}_1}{x_1} \right) \frac{dx_1}{dt} + l_1 \left( \frac{x_2 - \bar{x}_2}{x_2} \right) \frac{dx_2}{dt} + l_2 \left( \frac{y_1 - \bar{y}_1}{y_1} \right) \frac{dy_1}{dt} + l_3 \left( \frac{y_2 - \bar{y}_2}{y_2} \right) \frac{dy_2}{dt} \\ \Rightarrow \frac{dV}{dt} &= (x_1 - \bar{x}_1) \left[ r_1 - \frac{r_1 x_1}{k_1} - \beta y_2 - \sigma_1 + \frac{\sigma_2 x_2}{x_1} - q_1 E_1 \right] + l_1 (x_2 - \bar{x}_2) \left[ r_2 - \frac{r_2 x_2}{k_2} + \frac{\sigma_1 x_1}{x_2} - \sigma_2 \right] \\ &\quad + l_2 (y_1 - \bar{y}_1) \left[ \alpha_1 \beta x_1 y_2 \frac{y_2}{y_1 (w y_1 + y_2)} - \alpha_2 \beta x_1 w \frac{y_2}{(w y_1 + y_2)} \right] + l_3 (y_2 - \bar{y}_2) \left[ \alpha_2 \beta x_1 \frac{w y_1}{(w y_1 + y_2)} - d_2 - q_2 E_2 \right] \\ \Rightarrow \frac{dV}{dt} &= (x_1 - \bar{x}_1) \left[ -\frac{r_1}{k_1} (x_1 - \bar{x}_1) + \sigma_2 \left( \frac{x_2 - \bar{x}_2}{x_1} - \frac{\bar{x}_2}{\bar{x}_1} \right) - \beta (y_2 - \bar{y}_2) \right] + l_1 (x_2 - \bar{x}_2) \left[ -\frac{r_2}{k_2} (x_2 - \bar{x}_2) + \sigma_1 \left( \frac{x_1}{x_2} - \frac{\bar{x}_1}{\bar{x}_2} \right) \right] \\ &\quad + l_2 (y_1 - \bar{y}_1) \frac{\alpha_1 \beta x_1 y_2}{(w y_1 + y_2)} \left( \frac{y_2 - \bar{y}_2}{y_1} - \frac{\bar{y}_2}{\bar{y}_1} \right) + l_3 (y_2 - \bar{y}_2) \alpha_2 \beta w \left[ \frac{x_1 y_1}{(w y_1 + y_2)} - \frac{\bar{x}_1 \bar{y}_1}{(w \bar{y}_1 + \bar{y}_2)} \right]. \end{aligned}$$

Choosing  $l_1 = \frac{\bar{x}_2 \sigma_2}{\bar{x}_1 \sigma_1}$ ;  $l_2 = \frac{1}{\alpha_1}$ ;  $l_3 = \frac{w \bar{y}_1 + \bar{y}_2}{\alpha_2 w \bar{y}_1}$

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow \frac{dV}{dt} &= -\frac{r_1}{k_1} (x_1 - \bar{x}_1)^2 + \frac{\sigma_2 (x_1 - \bar{x}_1)}{x_1 \bar{x}} (x_2 \bar{x}_1 - x_1 \bar{x}_2) - \beta (x_1 - \bar{x}_1) (y_2 - \bar{y}_2) - \frac{r_2 \bar{x}_2 \sigma_2}{k_2 \bar{x}_1 \sigma_1} (x_2 - \bar{x}_2)^2 \\ &\quad + \frac{\bar{x}_2 \sigma_2}{\bar{x}_1 \sigma_1} \sigma_1 \frac{(x_2 - \bar{x}_2)}{x_2 \bar{x}_2} (x_1 \bar{x}_2 - x_2 \bar{x}_1) + \frac{1}{\alpha_1} \left[ \frac{\alpha_1 \beta x_1 y_2}{y_1 \bar{y}_1 (w y_1 + y_2)} (y_1 - \bar{y}_1) (y_2 \bar{y}_1 - y_1 \bar{y}_2) \right] \\ &\quad + \frac{w \bar{y}_1 + \bar{y}_2}{\alpha_2 w \bar{y}_1} \left[ \alpha_2 \beta w (y_2 - \bar{y}_2) \left( \frac{x_1 y_1}{(w y_1 + y_2)} - \frac{\bar{x}_1 \bar{y}_1}{(w \bar{y}_1 + \bar{y}_2)} + \frac{x_1 \bar{y}_1}{(w \bar{y}_1 + \bar{y}_2)} - \frac{x_1 \bar{y}_1}{(w \bar{y}_1 + \bar{y}_2)} \right) \right] \\ \Rightarrow \frac{dV}{dt} &= -\frac{r_1}{k_1} (x_1 - \bar{x}_1)^2 - \frac{r_2 \bar{x}_2 \sigma_2}{k_2 \bar{x}_1 \sigma_1} (x_2 - \bar{x}_2)^2 - \frac{\sigma_2}{x_1 x_2 \bar{x}_1} (x_2 \bar{x}_1 - x_1 \bar{x}_2)^2 - \frac{\beta x_1}{y_1 \bar{y}_1 (w y_1 + y_2)} (y_2 \bar{y}_1 - y_1 \bar{y}_2)^2 < 0. \end{aligned}$$

Differentiating  $V$  w.r.to “ $t$ ” we get

$$\frac{dV}{dt} = \left( \frac{x_1 - x_1^*}{x_1} \right) \frac{dx_1}{dt} + l_1 \left( \frac{x_2 - x_2^*}{x_2} \right) \frac{dx_2}{dt}.$$

Choosing  $l_1 = \frac{x_2^* \sigma_2}{x_1^* \sigma_1}$ , after a little algebraic manipulation,

we get,

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{dV}{dt} &= -\frac{r_1}{k_1} (x_1 - x_1^*)^2 - \frac{\sigma_2 x_2^* r_2}{\sigma_1 x_1^* k_2} (x_2 - x_2^*)^2 \\ &\quad - \frac{\sigma_2}{x_1^* x_1 x_2} (x_1^* x_2 - x_1 x_2^*)^2 < 0. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore  $G_1(x_1^*, x_2^*, 0, 0)$  is globally asymptotically stable.

**Theorem II.** The equilibrium point  $G_3(\bar{x}_1, \bar{x}_2, \bar{y}_1, \bar{y}_2)$  is globally asymptotically stable.

Proof: let us consider the following Lyapunov function

Therefore  $G_3(\bar{x}_1, \bar{x}_2, \bar{y}_1, \bar{y}_2)$  is globally asymptotically stable.

### 5. Qualitative Bionomic Phenomena

It is the study of the dynamics of living resources using economic models. Let  $c_1$  be the fishing cost per unit effort for prey species,  $c_2$  be the fishing cost per unit effort for matured predator species,  $p_1$  be the price per unit biomass of the prey,  $p_2$  be the price per unit biomass of the predator (matured). Therefore net revenue or economic rent at any time given by  $R = R_1 + R_2$  where  $R_1 = (p_1q_1x_1 - c_1)E_1$ ,  $R_2 = (p_2q_2y_2 - c_2)E_2$ ; here  $R_1$  represents Net Revenue for the prey;  $R_2$  represents Net revenue for matured predator species.

The bionomic equilibrium

$((x_1)_\infty, (x_2)_\infty, (y_1)_\infty, (y_2)_\infty, (E_1)_\infty, (E_2)_\infty)$  is given by the following equations

$$r_1x_1 - \frac{r_1x_1^2}{k_1} - \beta x_1y_2 - \sigma_1x_1 + \sigma_2x_2 - q_1E_1x_1 = 0 \quad (5.1)$$

$$r_2x_2 - \frac{r_2x_2^2}{k_2} + \sigma_1x_1 - \sigma_2x_2 = 0 \quad (5.2)$$

$$\frac{\alpha_1\beta x_1y_2^2}{wy_1 + y_2} - \frac{\alpha_2\beta x_1y_1y_2w}{wy_1 + y_2} = 0 \quad (5.3)$$

$$\frac{\alpha_2\beta x_1y_1y_2w}{wy_1 + y_2} - d_2y_2 - q_2E_2y_2 = 0 \quad (5.4)$$

$$R = (p_1q_1x_1 - c_1)E_1 + (p_2q_2y_2 - c_2)E_2 = 0 \quad (5.5)$$

In order to determine the bionomic equilibrium we come across the following cases.

**Case I.** If for the matured predator, fishing cost is greater than the revenue ( $c_2 > p_2q_2y_2$ ), then fishing of matured predator is not feasible. Hence fishing of prey population remains operational ( $c_1 < p_1q_1x_1$ ).

Thus, when  $E_2 = 0$  and  $c_1 < p_1q_1x_1$  we have

$$(x_1)_\infty = \frac{c_1}{p_1q_1},$$

$$(x_2)_\infty = \frac{k_2}{2r_2} \left[ (r_2 - \sigma_2) + \sqrt{(r_2 - \sigma_2) + \frac{4r_2\sigma_1c_1}{p_1q_1k_2}} \right].$$

Since  $c_1 < p_1q_1x_1 < p_1q_1k_1$ ,  $((y_2)_\infty, (E_1)_\infty)$  will be any point on the line

$$\begin{aligned} \sigma_1 + \beta y_2 + q_1E_1 &= r_1 \left( 1 - \frac{c_1}{p_1q_1k_1} \right) \\ &+ \frac{\sigma_2 p_1 q_1 k_2}{2r_2 c_1} \left[ (r_2 - \sigma_2) + \sqrt{(r_2 - \sigma_2) + \frac{4r_2\sigma_1c_1}{p_1q_1k_2}} \right]. \end{aligned}$$

**Case II.** If  $c_1 > p_1q_1x_1$  i.e., the cost is greater than the revenue in the prey fishing, then the prey fishing will be closed (i.e.  $E_1 = 0$ ). Only matured predator fishing remains operational (i.e.  $c_2 < p_2q_2y_2$ )

$$(y_2)_\infty = \frac{c_2}{p_2q_2}.$$

Substitute this value in (5.1), we get

$$(x_2)_\infty = \frac{1}{\sigma_2} \left[ \frac{\beta c_2 (x_1)_\infty}{p_2 q_2} + \sigma_1 (x_1)_\infty - r_1 (x_1)_\infty \left( 1 - \frac{(x_1)_\infty}{k_1} \right) \right].$$

Here  $(x_1)_\infty$  is the positive solution of

$$a_1x_1^3 + a_2x_1^2 + a_3x_1 + a_4 = 0 \quad (5.6)$$

where

$$a_1 = \frac{r_1^2 r_2}{k_1^2 k_2 \sigma_2^2} > 0;$$

$$a_2 = -\frac{2r_1 r_2}{k_1 k_2 \sigma_2^2} \left[ r_1 - \sigma_1 - \frac{\beta c_2}{p_2 q_2} \right];$$

$$a_3 = \frac{r_2}{k_2 \sigma_2^2} \left( r_1 - \sigma_1 - \frac{\beta c_2}{p_2 q_2} \right)^2 - \frac{r_1}{k_1 \sigma_2} (r_2 - \sigma_2);$$

$$a_4 = \frac{1}{\sigma_2} (r_2 - \sigma_2) \left( r_1 - \sigma_1 - \frac{\beta c_2}{p_2 q_2} \right) - \sigma_1.$$

$$\text{Now if } \left[ r_1 - \sigma_1 - \frac{\beta c_2}{p_2 q_2} \right] < 0 \text{ (or) } \left[ r_1 - \sigma_1 - \frac{\beta c_2}{p_2 q_2} \right] > 0,$$

$$\text{then } \frac{r_2}{k_2 \sigma_2^2} \left( r_1 - \sigma_1 - \frac{\beta c_2}{p_2 q_2} \right)^2 < \frac{r_1 (r_2 - \sigma_2)}{k_1 \sigma_2}$$

$$\text{and } (r_2 - \sigma_2) \left( r_1 - \sigma_1 - \frac{\beta c_2}{p_2 q_2} \right) < \sigma_1 \sigma_2.$$

Then Equation (5.6) has a unique positive solution  $x_1 = (x_1)_\infty$

For  $(x_2)_\infty$  to be positive, we must have

$$(x_1)_\infty > k_1 - \frac{\beta c_2 k_1}{p_2 q_2 r_1} - \frac{\sigma_1 k_1}{r_1}.$$

Substitute the value of  $(x_1)_\infty$  in Equation (5.4), we get

$$(E_2)_\infty = \frac{1}{q_2} \left[ \frac{\alpha_2 \beta (x_1)_\infty (y_1)_\infty w}{w (y_1)_\infty + (y_2)_\infty} - d_2 \right]$$

$$(E_2)_\infty > 0, \text{ Provided } \frac{\alpha_1 \alpha_2 \beta (x_1)_\infty}{\alpha_1 + \alpha_2} > d_2$$

$$\text{where } w = \frac{\alpha_1 (y_2)_\infty}{\alpha_2 (y_1)_\infty}.$$

**Case III.** If  $c_1 > p_1q_1x_1$ ,  $c_2 > p_2q_2y_2$ , then the cost is greater than revenues for both the species and the whole fishery will be closed.

**Case IV.** If  $c_1 < p_1q_1x_1$ ,  $c_2 < p_2q_2y_2$ , then the revenues for both the species being positive, then the whole fishery will be in operation.

In this case

$$(x_1)_\infty = \frac{c_1}{p_1q_1} \tag{5.7}$$

$$(y_2)_\infty = \frac{c_2}{p_2q_2} \tag{5.8}$$

Substitute (4.7) and (4.8) in (4.1), (4.2), (4.4) we get

$$(x_2)_\infty = \frac{k_2}{2r_2} \left[ (r_2 - \sigma_2) + \sqrt{(r_2 - \sigma_2)^2 + \frac{4r_2\sigma_1c_1}{p_1q_1k_2}} \right] \tag{5.9}$$

$$(E_1)_\infty = \frac{r_1}{q_1} \left[ 1 - \frac{c_1}{p_1q_1k_1} \right] - \frac{\beta c_2}{q_1p_2q_2} - \frac{\sigma_1}{q_1} + \frac{\sigma_2(x_2)_\infty p_1}{q_1c_1} \tag{5.10}$$

$$(E_2)_\infty = \frac{1}{q_2} \left[ \frac{\alpha_2\beta(x_1)_\infty y_1 w}{wy_1 + y_2} - d_2 \right] \tag{5.11}$$

$(E_1)_\infty > 0$  if

$$\frac{r_1}{q_1} \left[ 1 - \frac{c_1}{p_1q_1k_1} \right] + \frac{\sigma_2(x_2)_\infty p_1}{q_1c_1} > \frac{\beta c_2}{q_1p_2q_2} + \frac{\sigma_1}{q_1} \tag{5.12}$$

$$(E_2)_\infty > 0 \text{ if } \frac{\alpha_1\alpha_2}{\alpha_1 + \alpha_2} \frac{\beta c_1}{p_1q_1} > d_2. \tag{5.13}$$

The Non-trivial Bionomic equilibrium point

$((x_1)_\infty, (x_2)_\infty, (y_2)_\infty, (E_1)_\infty, (E_2)_\infty)$  exists if (5.12) and (5.13) hold.

### 6. Optimal Harvesting Policy

In this section we study optimal harvesting policy of the system (2.1)-(2.4). Also in this section we employ the Pontryagin's maximum principle to obtain a path of optimal harvesting policy so that if the fish populations inside and outside the reserve zones, are kept along this path, then the regulatory agency is assured to achieve its objective. We consider the following present value  $J$  of a continuous time-stream

$$J = \int_0^\infty P(x_1, x_2, y_1, y_2, E_1, E_2, t) e^{-\delta t} dt \tag{6.1}$$

where  $P$  is the net revenue given by

$$\begin{aligned} P(x_1, x_2, y_1, y_2, E_1, E_2, t) \\ = (p_1q_1x_1E_1 - c_1E_1) + (p_2q_2y_2E_2 - c_2E_2) \end{aligned} \tag{6.2}$$

and  $\delta$  denotes the instantaneous annual rate of dis-

count, the aim of this section is to maximize  $J$  subjected to the state Equations (2.1)-(2.4).

Firstly we construct the following Hamiltonian function

$$\begin{aligned} H = e^{-\delta t} [p_1q_1x_1 - c_1]E_1 + e^{-\delta t} [p_2q_2y_2 - c_2]E_2 \\ + \lambda_1 \left[ r_1x_1 \left( 1 - \frac{x_1}{k_1} \right) - \beta x_1y_2 - \sigma_1x_1 + \sigma_2x_2 - q_1E_1x_1 \right] \\ + \lambda_2 \left[ r_2x_2 \left( 1 - \frac{x_2}{k_2} \right) + \sigma_1x_1 - \sigma_2x_2 \right] \\ + \lambda_3 \left[ \alpha_1\beta x_1y_2 \frac{y_2}{wy_1 + y_2} - \alpha_2\beta x_1y_2 \frac{wy_1}{wy_1 + y_2} \right] \\ + \lambda_4 \left[ \alpha_2\beta x_1y_2 \frac{wy_1}{wy_1 + y_2} - d_2y_2 - q_2E_2y_2 \right] \end{aligned} \tag{6.3}$$

where  $\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \lambda_3, \lambda_4$  are additional unknown functions called the adjoint variables,  $E_1, E_2$  are the control variables satisfying the constraints  $0 \leq E_1 \leq (E_1)_{\max}$ ;

$0 \leq E_2 \leq (E_2)_{\max}$ , and

$$\phi_1(t) = e^{-\delta t} (p_1q_1x_1 - c_1) - \lambda_1q_1x_1,$$

$\phi_2(t) = e^{-\delta t} (p_2q_2y_2 - c_2) - \lambda_4q_2y_2$  are called the switching functions.

We aim to find an optimal equilibrium

$((x_1)_\delta, (x_2)_\delta, (y_1)_\delta, (y_2)_\delta, (E_1)_\delta, (E_2)_\delta)$  to maximize Hamiltonian  $H$ .

Since Hamiltonian  $H$  is linear in the control variables  $E_1, E_2$ , the optimal control can be extreme controls or the singular controls, thus we have

$$E_1 = (E_1)_{\max}, \text{ when } \phi_1(t) > 0$$

$$\text{i.e., when } \lambda_1(t)e^{\delta t} < p_1 - \frac{c_1}{q_1x_1};$$

$$E_1 = 0, \text{ when } \phi_1(t) < 0$$

$$\text{i.e., when } \lambda_1(t)e^{\delta t} > p_1 - \frac{c_1}{q_1x_1};$$

$$E_2 = (E_2)_{\max}, \text{ when } \phi_2(t) > 0$$

$$\text{i.e., when } \lambda_4(t)e^{\delta t} < p_2 - \frac{c_2}{q_2y_2};$$

$$E_2 = 0, \text{ when } \phi_2(t) < 0$$

$$\text{i.e., when } \lambda_4(t)e^{\delta t} > p_2 - \frac{c_2}{q_2y_2};$$

$$\text{when } \phi_1(t) = 0, \lambda_1(t)e^{\delta t} = p_1 - \frac{c_1}{q_1x_1};$$

or

$$\frac{\partial H}{\partial E_1} = 0 \tag{6.4}$$



when  $\phi_2(t) = 0$ ,  $\lambda_4(t)e^{\delta t} = p_2 - \frac{c_2}{q_2 y_2}$ ;

or

$$\frac{\partial H}{\partial E_2} = 0. \tag{6.5}$$

In this case, the optimal control is called the singular control, and (6.4), (6.5) are the necessary conditions for the maximization of Hamiltonian  $H$ .

By Pontryagin's maximal principle, the adjoint equations are

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d\lambda_1}{dt} &= -\frac{\partial H}{\partial x_1} \\ &= -\left[ e^{-\delta t} p_1 q_1 E_1 + \lambda_1 \left( r_1 - \frac{2r_1 x_1}{k_1} - \beta y_2 - \sigma_1 - q_1 E_1 \right) \right. \\ &\quad \left. + \lambda_2 \sigma_1 + \lambda_3 \left( \frac{\alpha_1 \beta (y_2)^2}{w y_1 + y_2} - \frac{\alpha_2 \beta w y_1 y_2}{w y_1 + y_2} \right) + \lambda_4 \left( \frac{\alpha_2 \beta w y_1 y_2}{w y_1 + y_2} \right) \right] \end{aligned} \tag{6.6}$$

$$\frac{d\lambda_2}{dt} = -\frac{\partial H}{\partial x_2} = -\left[ \lambda_1 \sigma_2 + \lambda_2 \left( r_2 - \frac{2r_2 x_2}{k_2} - \sigma_2 \right) \right] \tag{6.7}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d\lambda_3}{dt} &= -\frac{\partial H}{\partial y_1} \\ &= -\left[ \lambda_3 \left( -\frac{\alpha_1 \beta x_1 y_2^2 w}{(w y_1 + y_2)^2} - \frac{\alpha_2 \beta x_1 y_2 w y_2}{(w y_1 + y_2)^2} \right) \right. \\ &\quad \left. + \lambda_4 \left( \frac{\alpha_2 \beta x_1 y_2 w y_2}{(w y_1 + y_2)^2} \right) \right] \end{aligned} \tag{6.8}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d\lambda_4}{dt} &= -\frac{\partial H}{\partial y_2} \\ &= -\left[ e^{-\delta t} p_2 q_2 E_2 + \lambda_1 (-\beta x_1) \right. \\ &\quad \left. + \lambda_3 \left( \frac{\alpha_1 \beta x_1 (2y_1 y_2 w + y_2^2)}{(w y_1 + y_2)^2} - \frac{\alpha_2 \beta x_1 w^2 y_1^2}{(w y_1 + y_2)^2} \right) \right. \\ &\quad \left. + \lambda_4 \left( \frac{\alpha_2 \beta x_1 w^2 y_1^2}{(w y_1 + y_2)^2} - d_2 - q_2 E_2 \right) \right]. \end{aligned} \tag{6.9}$$

Considering the interior equilibrium  $G_3(\bar{x}_1, \bar{x}_2, \bar{y}_1, \bar{y}_2)$  and Equations (6.4), (6.7), can be written as

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d\lambda_2}{dt} - \lambda_2(A_1) &= -A_2 e^{-\delta t} \\ \text{where } A_1 &= \frac{r_2 \bar{x}_2}{k_2} + \frac{\sigma_1 \bar{x}_1}{\bar{x}_2}; \quad A_2 = \left( p_1 - \frac{c_1}{q_1 \bar{x}_1} \right) \sigma_2. \end{aligned}$$

We can calculate that

$$\lambda_2 = \frac{A_2}{A_1 + \delta} e^{-\delta t}. \tag{6.10}$$

Similarly, by considering the interior equilibrium  $G_3(\bar{x}_1, \bar{x}_2, \bar{y}_1, \bar{y}_2)$  and Equations (6.5), (6.8), can be written as

$$\frac{d\lambda_3}{dt} - \lambda_3 A_3 = -e^{-\delta t} A_4$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} A_3 &= \frac{\alpha_2 \beta w \bar{x}_1 \bar{y}_2}{w \bar{y}_1 + \bar{y}_2}; \\ A_4 &= \left( p_2 - \frac{c_2}{q_2 \bar{y}_2} \right) \left( \frac{\alpha_2 \beta w \bar{x}_1 \bar{y}_2^2}{(w \bar{y}_1 + \bar{y}_2)^2} \right). \end{aligned}$$

We can conclude that

$$\lambda_3 = \frac{A_4}{A_3 + \delta} e^{-\delta t}. \tag{6.11}$$

Similarly, by considering the interior equilibrium  $G_3(\bar{x}_1, \bar{x}_2, \bar{y}_1, \bar{y}_2)$  and Equations (6.10), (6.11), (6.6) can be written as

$$\frac{d\lambda_1}{dt} - \lambda_1 A_5 = -e^{-\delta t} A_6$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} A_5 &= \frac{r_1 \bar{x}_1}{k_1} + \frac{\sigma_2 \bar{x}_2}{\bar{x}_1}; \\ A_6 &= p_1 q_1 E_1 + \frac{A_2}{A_1 + \delta} \sigma_1 + \frac{A_4}{A_3 + \delta} (\alpha_1 \bar{y}_2 - \alpha_2 w \bar{y}_1) \\ &\quad + \left( p_2 - \frac{c_2}{q_2 \bar{y}_2} \right) \left( \frac{\alpha_2 \beta w \bar{y}_1 \bar{y}_2}{w \bar{y}_1 + \bar{y}_2} \right). \end{aligned}$$

We can conclude that

$$\lambda_1 = \frac{A_6}{A_5 + \delta} e^{-\delta t}. \tag{6.12}$$

Similarly by considering the interior equilibrium  $G_3(\bar{x}_1, \bar{x}_2, \bar{y}_1, \bar{y}_2)$  and Equations (6.10), (6.11), (6.6) can be written as

$$\frac{d\lambda_4}{dt} - \lambda_4 A_7 = -e^{-\delta t} A_8$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} A_7 &= \frac{\alpha_2 \beta \bar{x}_1 w^2 \bar{y}_1^2}{(w \bar{y}_1 + \bar{y}_2)^2} - d_2 - q_2 E_2; \\ A_8 &= p_2 q_2 E_2 - \frac{A_6}{A_5 + \delta} \beta \bar{x}_1 + \frac{A_4}{A_3 + \delta} \left( \frac{\alpha_2 \beta \bar{x}_1 w \bar{y}_2}{w \bar{y}_1 + \bar{y}_2} \right). \end{aligned}$$

We can calculate that

$$\lambda_4 = \frac{A_8}{A_7 + \delta} e^{-\delta t}. \tag{6.13}$$

It is obviously that  $\lambda_1(t), \lambda_2(t), \lambda_3(t), \lambda_4(t)$  are bounded as  $t \rightarrow \infty$ .

Substitute (6.12) in (6.4), we obtain a singular path

$$p_1 - \frac{c_1}{q_1 \bar{x}_1} = \frac{A_6}{A_5 + \delta}. \tag{6.14}$$

Substitute (6.13) in (6.5), we obtain a singular path

$$p_2 - \frac{c_2}{q_2 \bar{y}_2} = \frac{A_8}{A_7 + \delta} \tag{6.15}$$

Using

$$\bar{x}_2 = \frac{k_2}{2r_2} \left[ (r_2 - \sigma_2) + \sqrt{(r_2 - \sigma_2)^2 + \frac{4r_2 \sigma_1 \bar{x}_1}{k_2}} \right]$$

$$\bar{y}_2 = \frac{1}{\beta \bar{x}_1} \left[ (r_1 - \sigma_1 - q_1 E_1) \bar{x}_1 - \frac{r_1 \bar{x}_1^2}{k_1} + \sigma_2 \bar{x}_2 \right],$$

$A_1, A_2, A_3, A_4, A_5, A_6, A_7, A_8$  can be written as

$$A_1 = \frac{1}{2}(r_2 - \sigma_2) + \frac{1}{2} \left[ (r_2 - \sigma_2)^2 + \frac{4r_2 \sigma_1 \bar{x}_1}{k_2} \right]^{1/2} + \frac{2r_2 \sigma_1 \bar{x}_1}{k_2 \left[ (r_2 - \sigma_2) + \sqrt{(r_2 - \sigma_2)^2 + \frac{4r_2 \sigma_1 \bar{x}_1}{k_2}} \right]^{1/2}}$$

$$A_2 = \left( p_1 - \frac{c_1}{q_1 \bar{x}_1} \right) \sigma_2$$

$$A_3 = \frac{\alpha_1 \alpha_2 \beta w \bar{x}_1}{\alpha_1 + \alpha_2} \left( p_1 - \frac{c_1}{q_1 \bar{x}_1} \right) \sigma_2$$

$$A_4 = p_2 - \frac{c_2}{\frac{q_2}{\beta \bar{x}_1} \left[ (r_1 - \sigma_1 - q_1 E_1) \bar{x}_1 - \frac{r_1 \bar{x}_1^2}{k_1} + \sigma_2 \bar{x}_2 \right]}$$

$$A_5 = \frac{r_1 \bar{x}_1}{k_1} + \frac{\sigma_2 k_2}{2 \bar{x}_1 r_2} \left[ (r_2 - \sigma_2) + \left( (r_2 - \sigma_2)^2 + \frac{4r_2 \sigma_1 \bar{x}_1}{k_2} \right)^{1/2} \right]$$

$$A_6 = p_1 q_1 E_1 + \frac{\left( p_1 - \frac{c_1}{q_1 \bar{x}_1} \right) \sigma_2}{\left( \frac{r_2 \bar{x}_2}{k_2} + \frac{\sigma_1 \bar{x}_1}{2 \bar{x}_2} \right) + \delta}$$

$$+ \left( p_2 - \frac{c_2 \beta \bar{x}_1}{q_2 \left[ (r_2 - \sigma_2 - q_1 E_1) \bar{x}_1 - \frac{r_1 \bar{x}_1^2}{k_1} + \sigma_2 \bar{x}_2 \right]} \right) \left[ \frac{\alpha_2^2 \beta w \bar{y}_1}{(\alpha_1 + \alpha_2)} \right]$$

$$A_7 = \frac{\alpha_1^2 \alpha_2 \beta \bar{x}_1}{(\alpha_1 + \alpha_2)^2} - d_2 - q_2 E_2$$

$$A_8 = p_2 q_2 E_2 - \frac{A_6}{A_5 + \delta} \beta \bar{x}_1 + \frac{A_4}{A_3 + \delta} \left( \frac{\alpha_2^2 \beta \bar{x}_1 w}{\alpha_1 + \alpha_2} \right).$$

Thus (6.14) and (6.15) can be written as

$$F(\bar{x}_1) = \left( p_1 - \frac{c_1}{q_1 \bar{x}_1} \right) - \frac{A_6}{A_5 + \delta}$$

and  $G(\bar{y}_2) = \left( p_2 - \frac{c_2}{q_2 \bar{y}_2} \right) - \frac{A_8}{A_7 + \delta}.$

There exists a unique positive root  $\bar{x}_1 = (x_1)_\delta$  of  $F(\bar{x}_1) = 0$  in the interval  $0 < \bar{x}_1 < k_1$ . If the following hold  $F(0) < 0, F(k_1) > 0, F'(\bar{x}_1) > 0$  for  $\bar{x}_1 > 0$ , and Similarly There exists a unique positive root  $\bar{y}_2 = (y_2)_\delta$  of  $G(\bar{y}_2) = 0$  in the interval  $0 < \bar{y}_2 < k_2$ . If the following hold  $G(0) < 0, G(k_2) > 0, G'(\bar{y}_2) > 0$  for  $\bar{y}_2 > 0$ .

For  $\bar{x}_1 = (x_1)_\delta, \bar{y}_2 = (y_2)_\delta$ , we get

$$(x_2)_\delta = \frac{k_2}{2r} \left[ (r_2 - \sigma_2) + \sqrt{(r_2 - \sigma_2)^2 + \frac{4r_2 \sigma_1 \bar{x}_1}{k_2}} \right]$$

$$(y_2)_\delta = \frac{\alpha_2 w (y_1)_\delta}{\alpha_1};$$

$$(y_1)_\delta = \frac{\alpha_1}{\alpha_2 \beta \bar{x}_1 w} \left[ (r_1 - \sigma_1 - q_1 E_1) \bar{x}_1 - \frac{r_1 (\bar{x}_1)^2}{k_1} + \sigma_2 (\bar{x}_2)_\delta \right]$$

$$(E_1)_\delta = \frac{1}{q_1 (x_1)_\delta}$$

$$\cdot \left[ r_1 (x_1)_\delta \left( 1 - \frac{(x_1)_\delta}{k_1} \right) - \beta (x_1)_\delta (y_2)_\delta - \sigma_1 (x_1)_\delta - \sigma_2 (x_2)_\delta \right]$$

$$(E_2)_\delta = \frac{1}{q_2 (y_2)_\delta} \left[ \frac{\alpha_2 \beta (x_1)_\delta (y_1)_\delta (y_2)_\delta w}{w (y_1)_\delta + (y_2)_\delta} - d_2 (y_2)_\delta \right]$$

i.e.,  $(E_2)_\delta = \frac{1}{q_2} \left[ \frac{\alpha_2 \beta (x_1)_\delta (y_1)_\delta w}{w (y_1)_\delta + (y_2)_\delta} - d_2 \right].$

Hence once the optimal equilibrium,  $((x_1)_\delta, (x_2)_\delta, (y_1)_\delta, (y_2)_\delta)$  is determined, the optimal harvesting effort  $(E_1)_\delta$  and  $(E_2)_\delta$  can be determined.

From (6.3), (6.4), (6.10), (6.11), (6.12) and (6.13), we found that  $\lambda_i(t)$  where  $i = 1, 2, 3, 4$ , do not vary with time in optimal equilibrium. Hence they remain bounded as  $t \rightarrow \infty$ .

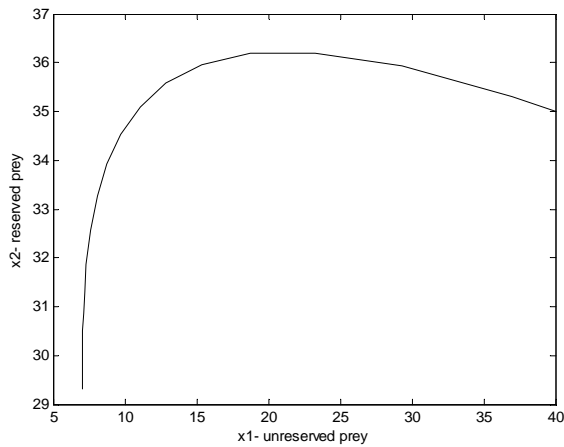
### 7. Computer Simulation Discussion

We have considered a system of two populations at different stage structure. The stability of the interior equilibrium point is studied and it is shown that the system is stable. We have shown the stability results analytically and also numerically. We can also considered a delayed model system to take into account of the gestational delay of the matured predator population. It is natural that the consumption on the prey by the predator needs some time to contribute to the biomass of the predator. So we use delay differential Equation (7.1) to study such phenomena.

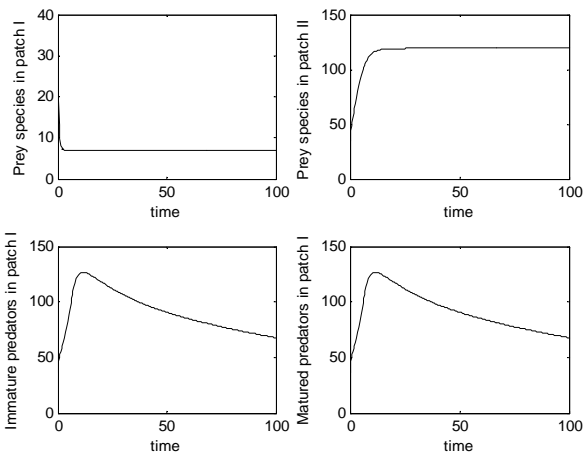
$$\frac{dx_1}{dt} = r_1 x_1 - \frac{r_1 x_1^2}{k_1} - \beta x_1 y_2 - \sigma_1 x_1 + \sigma_2 x_2 - q_1 E_1 x_1$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{dx_2}{dt} &= r_2x_2 - \frac{r_2x_2^2}{k_2} + \sigma_1x_1 - \sigma_2x_2 \quad (7.1) \\ \frac{dy_1}{dt} &= \frac{\alpha_1\beta x_1y_2^2}{wy_1+y_2} - \frac{\alpha_2\beta x_1y_1y_2w}{wy_1+y_2} \\ \frac{dy_2}{dt} &= \frac{\alpha_2\beta x_1(t-\tau)y_1y_2w}{wy_1+y_2} - d_2y_2 - q_2E_2y_2. \end{aligned}$$

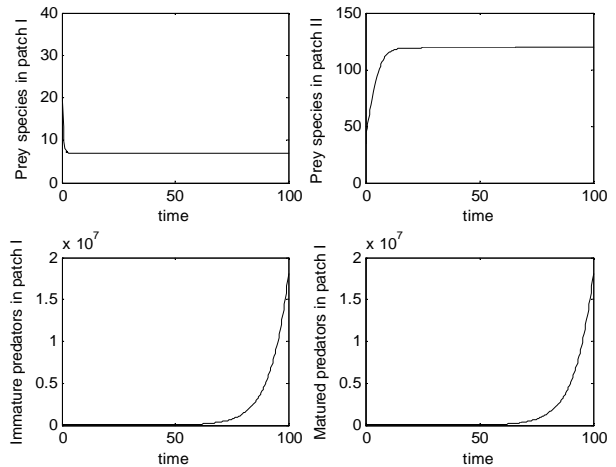
Delay differential equation models are studied extensively in the study of several ecological systems by K. Das and N. H. Gazi [26,27]. All those systems are two and three dimensional systems. Since the present model is four dimensional system, the analytical study of the system is difficult to tractable and the expression for the delay parameter values will be complicated for which the system is stable. So, we solve the system numerically only. The numerical solutions are shown in the **Figures 2-5**. The **Figures 2 and 3** show the stable solution of



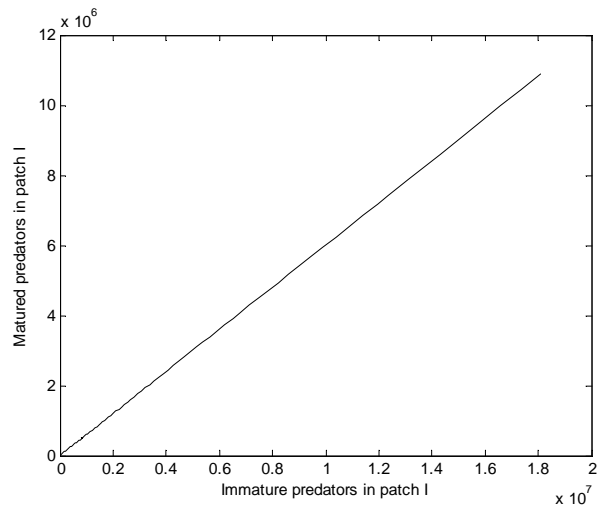
**Figure 2.** The stable phase portrait of prey in unreserved zone versus prey in reserved zone for delayed model system (7.1).



**Figure 3.** The stable time series evolution of the prey and predator populations of the delay model system (7.1) for  $\tau < 10$ .



**Figure 4.** The unstable time series evolution of the prey and predator populations of the delay model system (7.1).



**Figure 5.** Unstable phase-portrait of the predator populations for the delayed model system (7.1) with delay parameter value  $\tau \geq 10$ .

the populations for  $\tau \leq 10$  while the **Figures 4 and 5** show that the system is unstable for  $\tau > 10$ .

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