

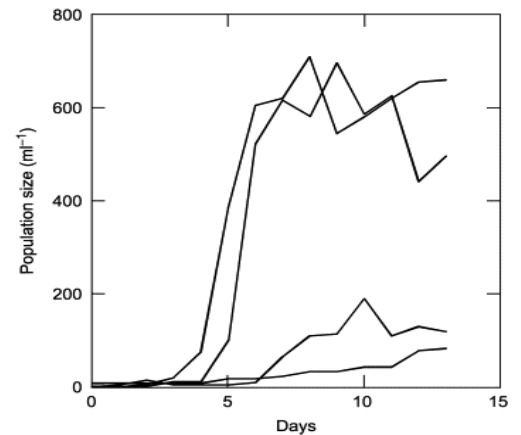
1) The population dynamics shown in this figure would probably be best described by which model? (For clarity look at the top two lines.)

- a) Geometric growth
- b) Exponential growth
- c) Logistic growth

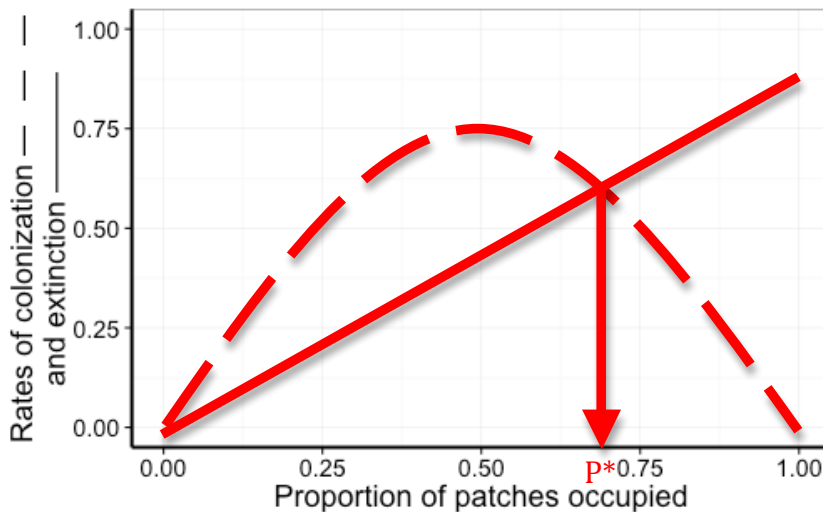
$$\frac{dN}{dt} = rN \left(1 - \frac{N}{K} \right)$$

2) In the logistic equation, where is the population's growth rate the highest?

When $N = K/2$



3) Patch occupancy (P) in a metapopulation is a balance between rates of colonization of open patches and extinction of already occupied patches. On the axes below, draw how the colonization rate (dashed line; 1pt) and rate of extinction (solid line; 1pt) changes with patch occupancy. Use an arrow to show where P^* is given the rates you drew (arrow; 1pt)

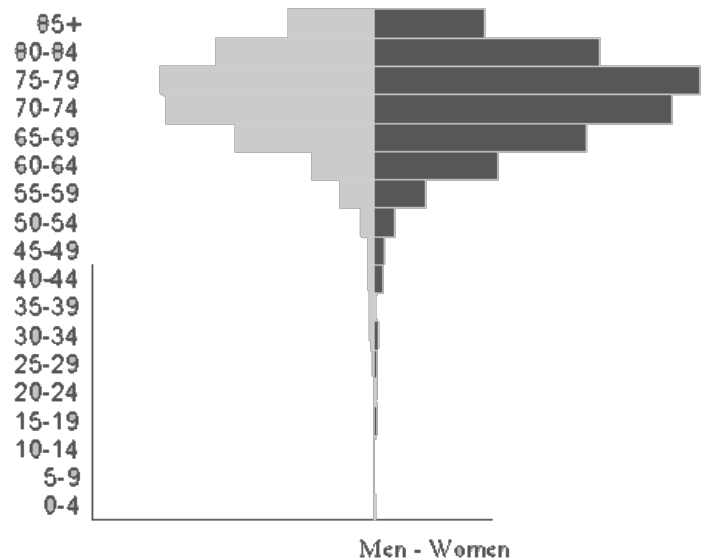


4) True or False: When comparing species, the ones with higher birth rates, b , will have higher intrinsic growth rates, r .

5) What does this age pyramid on the right suggest about this population?

- a) It is strongly K-selected
- b) Individuals are not reproductive until their twenties
- c) It is a retirement community

6) Provide an example of an organism (a species you know about or are interested in) facing a life history constraint (3pts)



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