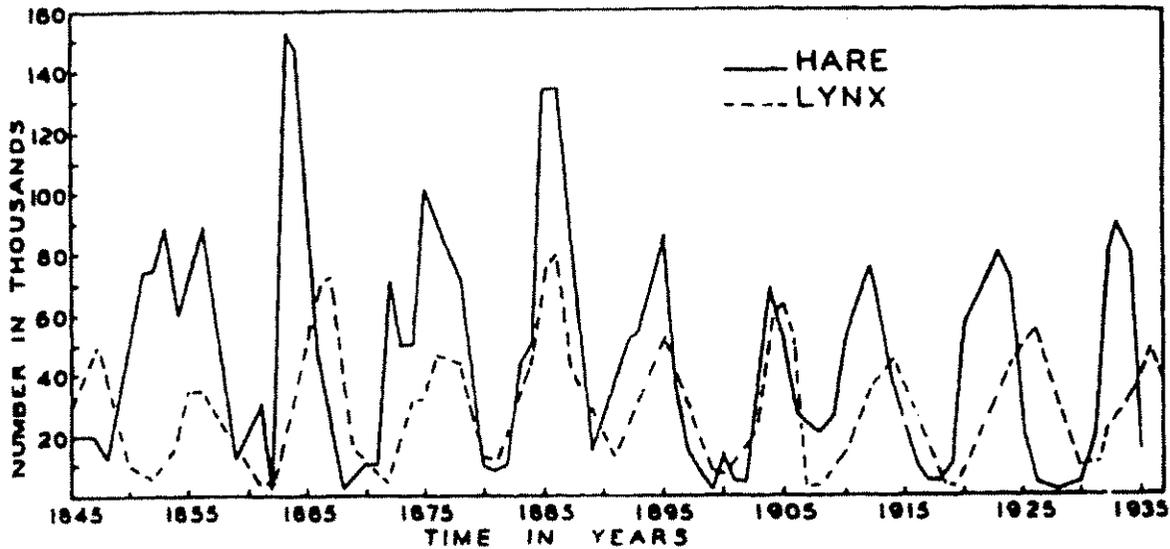


## Predator Prey (Lotka Volterra) model



### Model Equations

$$(1) \quad x' = ax - bxy$$

$$(2) \quad y' = -cy + dxy$$

Here

$$x = \text{prey} \quad [x] = \#$$

$$y = \text{predators} \quad [y] = \#$$

and predation terms proportional to  $xy$

$$xy = \text{number of possible interactions}$$

Considerations:  $b=0, d=0$  in model. Predators die out!

## Model analysis

System has two equilibria

$$P_1(0,0) \quad P_2\left(\frac{c}{d}, \frac{a}{b}\right)$$

Jacobian

$$D\vec{F}(P) = \begin{bmatrix} a - by & -bx \\ dy & dx - c \end{bmatrix}$$

Hence

$$D\vec{F}(P_1) = \begin{bmatrix} a & 0 \\ 0 & -c \end{bmatrix} \quad \det < 0 \quad \text{saddle}$$

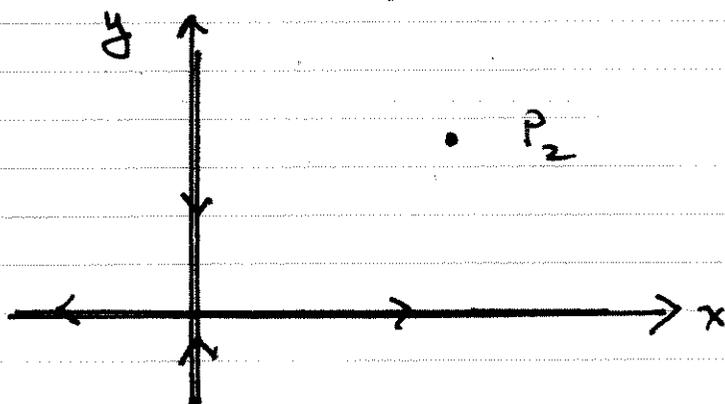
$$D\vec{F}(P_2) = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -bc/d \\ ad/b & 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad \det > 0 \quad \text{center} \\ \text{Tr} = 0$$

For the saddle

$$\lambda_1 = a > 0 \quad \vec{\xi}_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{unstable}$$

$$\lambda_2 = -c < 0 \quad \vec{\xi}_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{stable}$$

In fact  $x=0$  and  $y=0$  are "invariant".



Since  $\text{Tr}DF(P_2) = 0$  it is not "hyperbolic" and linear theory may fail. Here linear theory predicts a center behavior near  $P_2$ . The validity of this remains to be shown:

### First Integral

A function  $\phi(x, y)$  is said to be a first integral if it is constant on trajectories.

A very lucky guess:

$$(3) \quad \phi(x, y) \equiv -c \ln x - a \ln y + dx + by$$

For the model (1)-(2) and some calculations

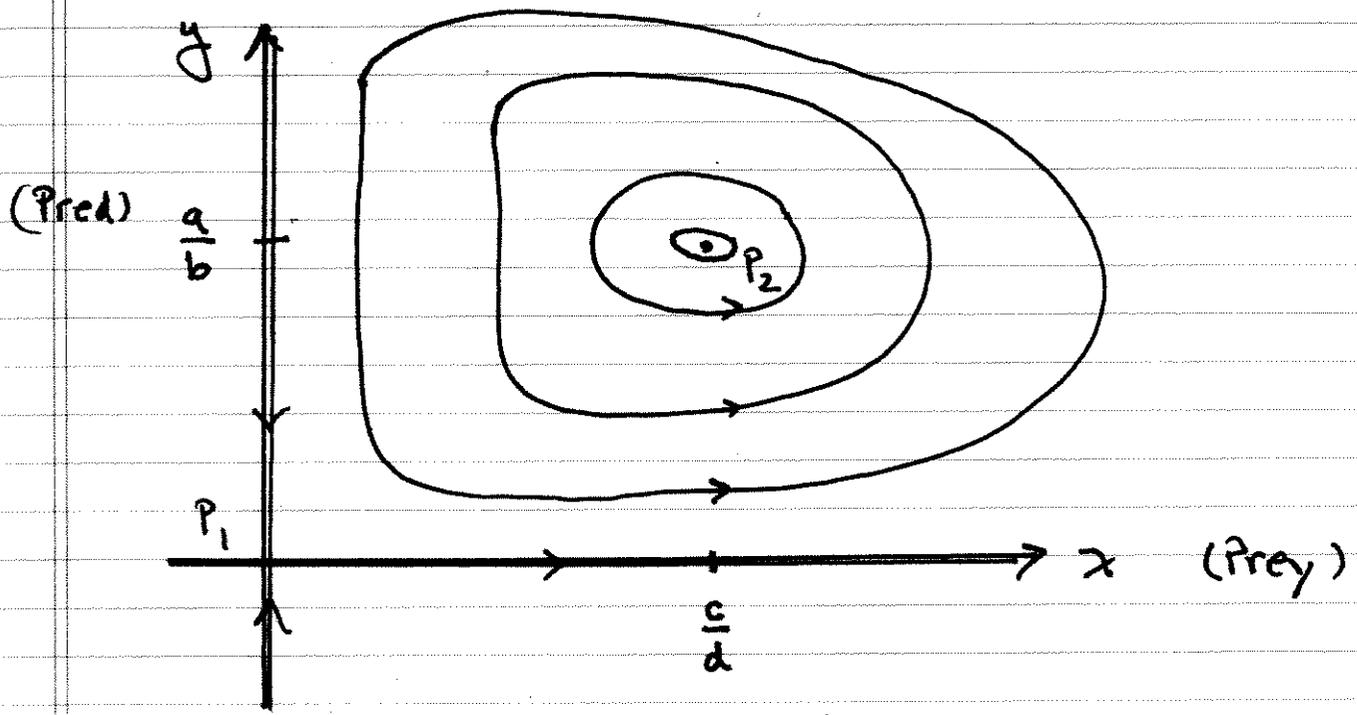
$$\frac{d\phi}{dt} = -\frac{c}{x} x' - \frac{a}{y} y' + dx' + by'$$

$$\frac{d\phi}{dt} = -\frac{c}{x} (ax - bxy) - \frac{a}{y} (-cy + dxy) + d(ax - bxy) + b(-cy + dxy)$$

$$\frac{d\phi}{dt} = 0$$

Thus, level sets of  $\phi$  are trajectories of (1)-(2)

Need software to compute these level sets.



Neutrally stable concentric periodic orbits

## Predator Prey with density dependence

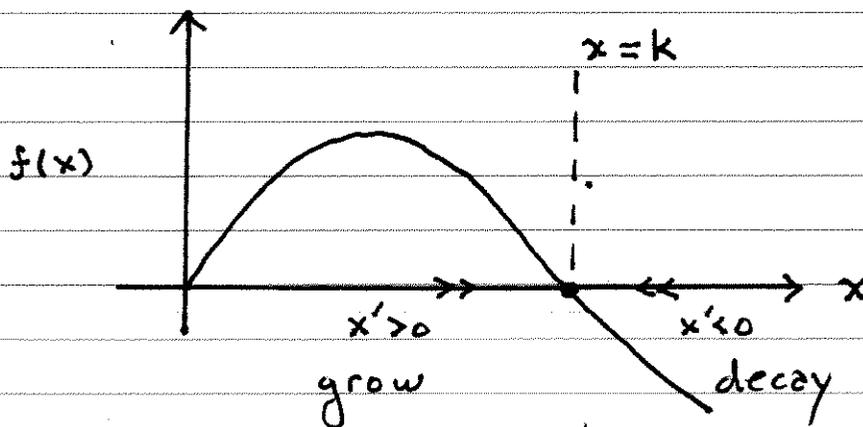
Prey are often more numerous than predators. Hence, they are more subject to density growth rate effects. Predators are not. We examine such effects through a minor change in the previous model.

### Model Equations (Logistic Growth Rate)

(1)	$x' = ax \left(1 - \frac{x}{K}\right) - bxy$	prey
(2)	$y' = -cy + dxy$	pred.

In the absence of predation ( $y = 0$ )

$$x' = ax \left(1 - \frac{x}{K}\right) = f(x)$$



Then  $x(t) \rightarrow k$  called carrying capacity

## Equilibria

$$0 = ax \left(1 - \frac{x}{k}\right) - bxy$$

$$0 = -cy + dxy$$

has three solutions (after calculations)

$$P_1 (0, 0)$$

both extinct

$$P_2 (k, 0)$$

only pred. extinct

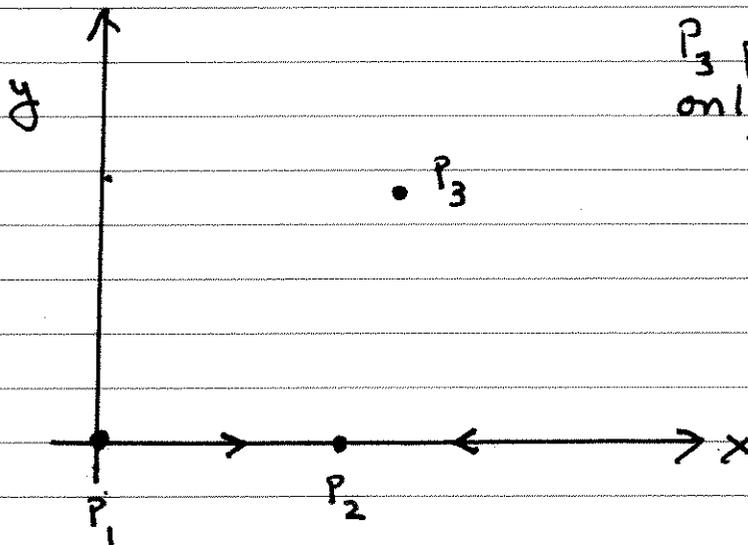
$$P_3 \left(\frac{c}{d}, \frac{a\Delta}{bk d}\right)$$

coexistence

where

$$\Delta = kd - c$$

must be positive for  
a physical coexist  $P_3$



Given  $P_3$  the coexistence value of predators:

$$\text{pred. with density} = \left(\frac{\Delta}{kd}\right) \times \text{pred. no density.}$$

$$\text{where } \frac{\Delta}{kd} = 1 - \frac{c}{kd} > 0 \text{ smaller!!}$$

Jacobians at  $P_k$  (calculations omitted here)

$$DF_k = DF^{\rightarrow}(P_k)$$

Both extinct

$$DF_1 = \begin{bmatrix} a & 0 \\ 0 & -c \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\det DF_1 = -ac < 0$$

Saddle always

Pred. extinct

$$DF_2 = \begin{bmatrix} -a & -bk \\ 0 & \Delta \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\det DF_2 = -a\Delta < 0$$

when  $P_3$  physical ( $\Delta > 0$ )

Saddle.

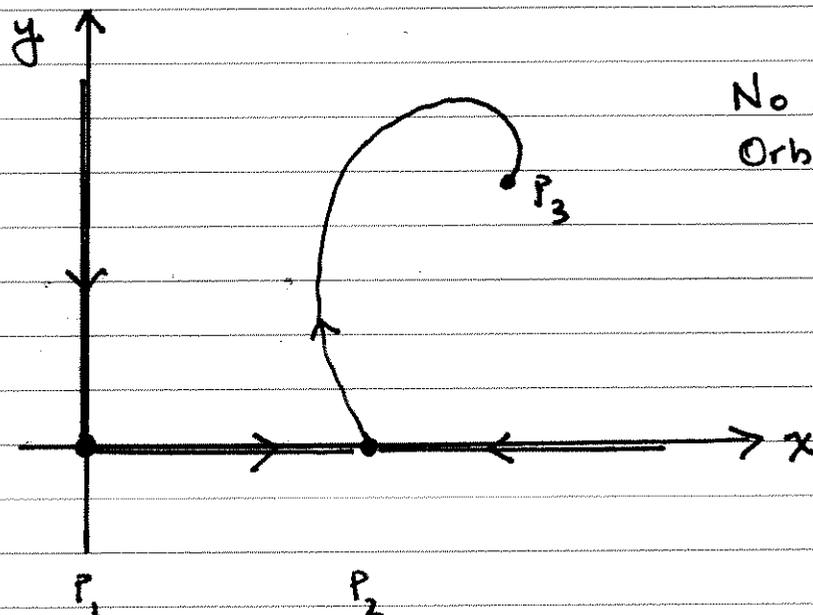
Coexistence

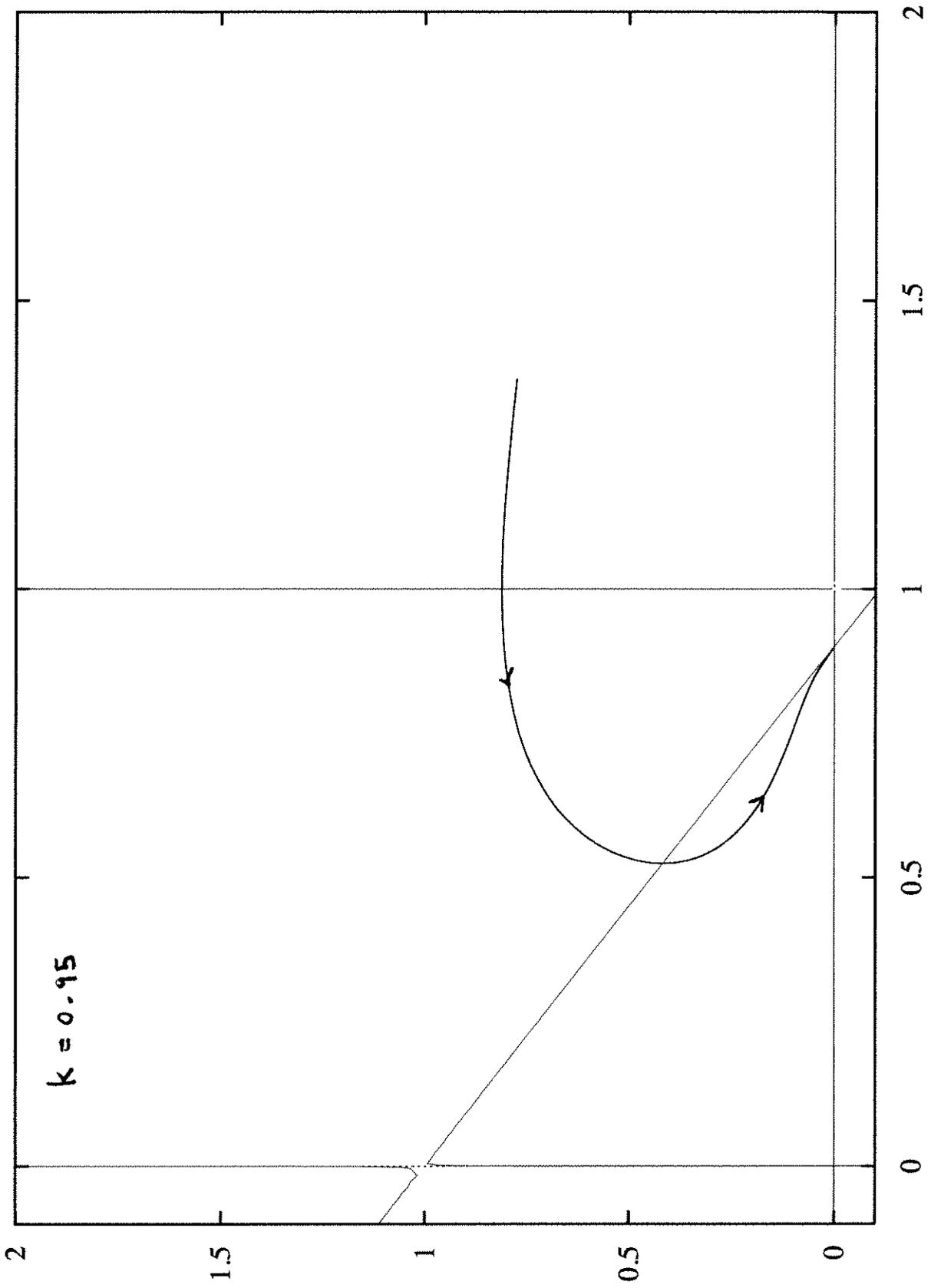
$$DF_3 = \begin{bmatrix} -\frac{ac}{kd} & -\frac{bc}{d} \\ \frac{a\Delta}{bk} & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

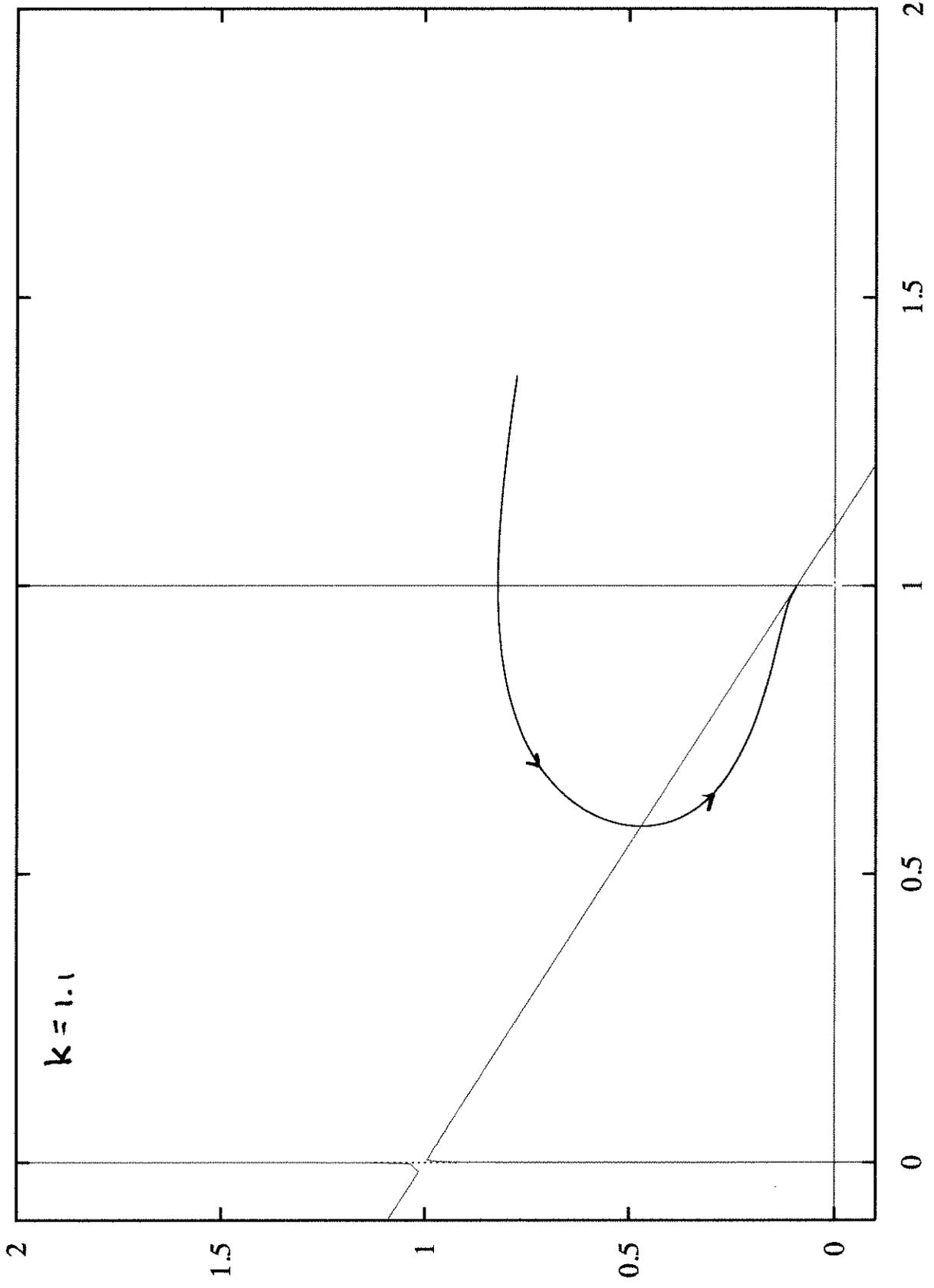
$$\det DF_3 = \frac{ac\Delta}{dk}$$

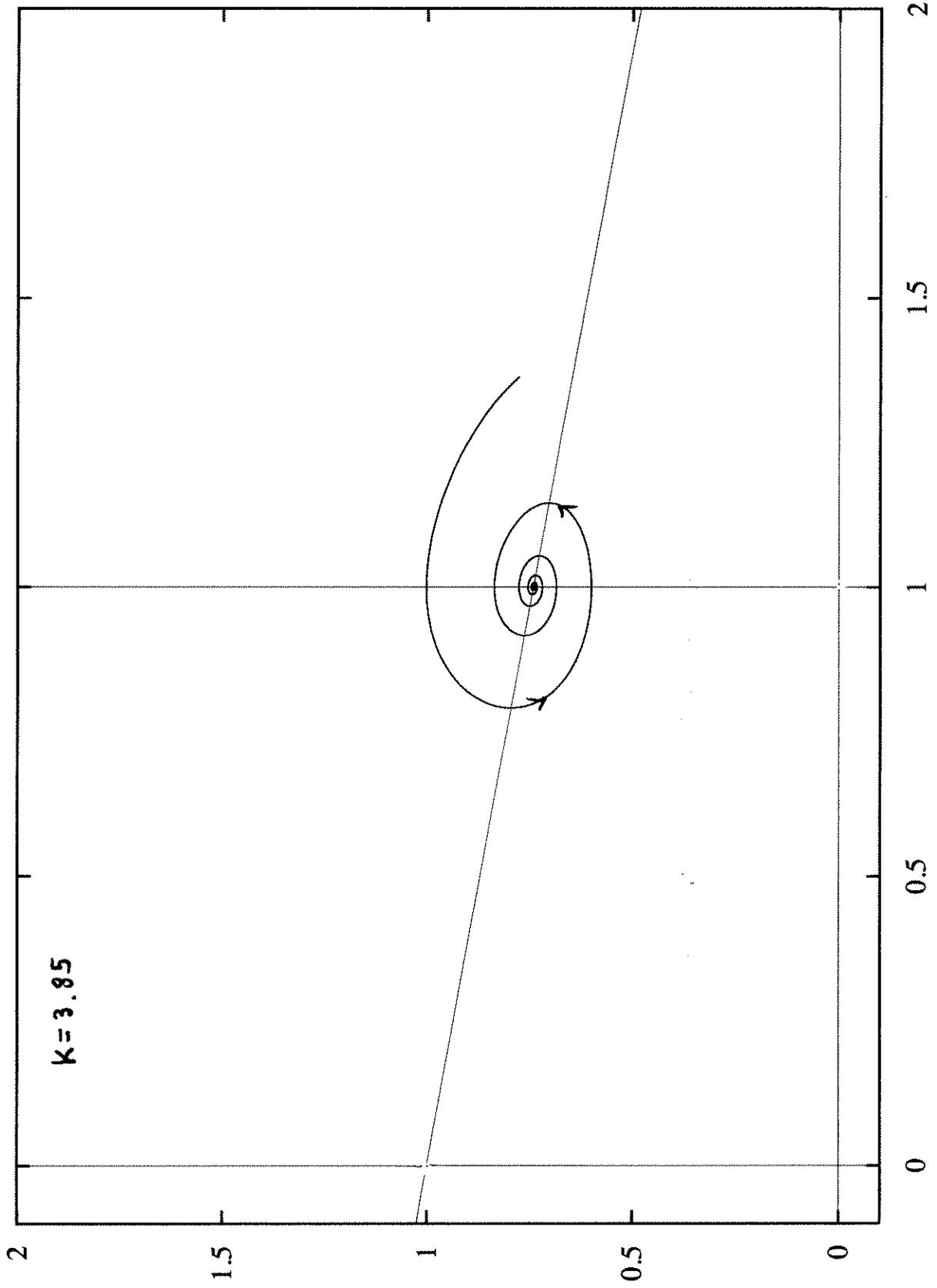
$$\text{Tr} DF_3 = -\frac{ac}{dk} < 0$$

Hence  $P_3$  is stable when physical.









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[> restart;
[> with(linalg):
[> f:=a*x*(1-x/k)-b*x*y:
[> g:=-c*y+d*x*y:

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[> P:=solve({f=0,g=0},{x,y});
      P := {x=0,y=0}, {x=k,y=0}, {x= c/d, y= - a(-kd+c) / bkd}

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(1)

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[> DF:=map(simplify,jacobian([f,g],[x,y]));
      DF := [ [ ak-2ax-byk / k, -bx ]
             [ yd, -c+dx ]

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(2)

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[> DF1:=subs(P[1],evalm(DF));det(DF1);
      DF1 := [ a 0 ]
             [ 0 -c ]
             -ac

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(3)

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[> DF2:=subs(P[2],evalm(DF));det(DF2);
      DF2 := [ -a -bk ]
             [ 0 kd-c ]
             -a(kd-c)

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(4)

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[> DF3:=map(simplify,subs(P[3],evalm(DF)));det(DF3);trace(DF3);
      DF3 := [ -ac / kd, -bc / d ]
             [ -a(-kd+c) / bk, 0 ]
             [ ca(-kd+c) / dk, -ac / kd ]

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(5)