Dynamic behaviors of a single species stage structure system with feedback control

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Abstract

A single species stage structure system with feedback control is proposed and studied in this paper. Local and global stability property of the boundary equilibrium and the positive equilibrium are investigated, respectively. If the original system is globally stable, then we show that the feedback control only change the position of the unique positive equilibrium and retain the stable property. If the original system is extinct, then we show that the system with feedback control is also extinct. Some examples are presented to verify our main results.

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1. Introduction

The aim of this paper is to investigate the dynamic behaviors of the following single species stage structure system with feedback control:

\[
\frac{dx_1}{dt} = \alpha x_2 - \beta x_1 - \delta_1 x_1, \quad \frac{dx_2}{dt} = \beta x_1 - \delta_2 x_2 - \gamma x_2^2 - dx_2u, \quad \frac{du}{dt} = -eu + fx_2, \tag{1.1}
\]

where \(\alpha, \beta, \delta_1, \delta_2, d, e, f\) and \(\gamma\) are all positive constants, \(x_1(t)\) and \(x_2(t)\) are the densities of the immature and mature species at time \(t\), \(u\) is feedback control variable. The following assumptions are made in formulating the model (1.1).

1. The per capita birth rate of the immature population is \(\alpha > 0\), the per capita death rate of the immature population is \(\delta_1 > 0\), the per capita death rate of the mature populations is proportional to the current mature populations with a proportionality constant \(\delta_2 > 0\), \(\beta > 0\) denotes the surviving rate of immaturity to reach maturity, and the mature species is density dependent with the parameter \(\gamma > 0\).

2. The bilinear feedback mechanism \((dx_2u)\) is used to control the system.

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During the last decades, many scholars investigated the dynamic behaviors of the stage structured species, see [1–44] and the references cited therein. Many new characters about the stage structured system were found, for example, Ma et al. [31] proposed and studied the persistent property of the following stage-
structure predator-prey model

\[
\begin{align*}
\frac{dx_1(t)}{dt} &= r_1(t)x_2(t) - d_{11}x_1(t) - r_1(t-\tau_1)e^{-d_{11}\tau_1}x_2(t-\tau_1), \\
\frac{dx_2(t)}{dt} &= r_1(t-\tau_1)e^{-d_{11}\tau_1}x_2(t-\tau_1) - d_{12}x_2(t) - b_1(t)x_2^2(t) - c_1(t)x_2(t)y_2(t), \\
\frac{dy_1(t)}{dt} &= r_2(t)y_2(t) - d_{22}y_1(t) - r_2(t-\tau_2)e^{-d_{22}\tau_2}y_2(t-\tau_2), \\
\frac{dy_2(t)}{dt} &= r_2(t-\tau_2)e^{-d_{22}\tau_2}y_2(t-\tau_2) - d_{21}y_2(t) - b_2(t)y_2^2(t) + c_2(t)y_2(t)x_2(t),
\end{align*}
\]

(1.2)

where \(x_1(t)\) and \(x_2(t)\) denote the densities of the immature and mature prey species at time \(t\), respectively, \(y_1(t)\) and \(y_2(t)\) represent the immature and mature population densities of predator species at time \(t\), respectively, Chen et al. [5], Chen et al. [11], and Chen et al. [9] further investigated the permanence, extinction and global stability of the above system. They found that in system (1.2), the extinction of the prey species does not follow the extinction of the predator species, they conjectured that maybe the reason is in above system, the predator species has other food resource. Some other authors (see [5, 9–11, 13, 22, 24–26, 28, 31, 34]) also applied the similar idea to establish the predator-prey model, cooperative model, and competition model, and many interesting results were obtained. For example, it’s well known that May type cooperative system admits a unique positive equilibrium, which is globally attractive, however, Chen et al. [10] showed that with the introducing of the stage structure, May type cooperative system may admits partial survival property, that is, despite the cooperative between the species, the species may still be driven to the extinction due to the stage structure.

Recently, Khajanchi and Banerjee [23] proposed the following stage structure predator-prey model with ratio dependent functional response

\[
\begin{align*}
\frac{dx_1}{dt} &= \alpha x_2(t) - \beta x_1(t) - \delta_1 x_1(t), \\
\frac{dx_2}{dt} &= \beta x_1(t) - \delta_2 x_2(t) - \gamma x_2^2(t) - \frac{\eta(1-\theta)x_2(t)y_2(t)}{g(1-\theta)x_2(t) + hy_2(t)}, \\
\frac{dy}{dt} &= \frac{u\eta(1-\theta)x_2(t)y_2(t)}{g(1-\theta)x_2(t) + hy_2(t)} - \delta_3 y(t).
\end{align*}
\]

(1.3)

By constructing suitable Lyapunov function, the authors obtained a set of sufficient conditions which ensure the uniform persistence and global asymptotic stability of the system. It bring to our attention that in system (1.3), if we did not consider the predator species, then system (1.3) reduces to the following single species stage structured system.

\[
\begin{align*}
\frac{dx_1}{dt} &= \alpha x_2(t) - \beta x_1(t) - \delta_1 x_1(t), \\
\frac{dx_2}{dt} &= \beta x_1(t) - \delta_2 x_2(t) - \gamma x_2^2(t).
\end{align*}
\]

(1.4)

Obviously, \(O(0,0)\) is the boundary equilibrium of the system (1.4). However, in system (1.3), with the singularity of the ratio-dependent functional response, \(O(0,0,0)\) is not the equilibrium of the system, and so, the authors of [23] did not consider the stability property of \(O(0,0,0)\). Already, in [40], Xiao and Lei showed that under some suitable assumption, the boundary equilibrium \(O(0,0)\) of system (1.4) is globally asymptotically stable.

On the other hand, with the aim of alter the system structurally so as to make the population stabilize at value lower than the original system. Gopalsamy and Weng [18] first time proposed the following single species feedback control ecosystem

\[
\begin{align*}
\frac{dn(t)}{dt} &= rn(t)\left[1 - \left(\frac{a_1n(t) + a_2n(t-\tau)}{K} - cu(t)\right)\right], \\
\frac{du(t)}{dt} &= -au(t) + bn(t-\tau),
\end{align*}
\]

(1.5)
where $a_1, a_2, c, a, b$ and $\tau$ are all positive constants. Such kind of “feedback” control variable can be implemented by means of a biological control or some harvesting procedure. By constructing some suitable Lyapunov functional, they showed that under the assumption $a_1 > a_2 > 0$ holds, the system admits a unique positive equilibrium. Also, in [5], under the assumption $a_1 = 0$, the authors investigated the stability property of the positive equilibrium. For the case $a_1 = 0$, Gong et al. [17] investigated the Hopf bifurcation of system (1.5). Recently, Li and He [29] also investigated the Hopf bifurcation of the following single-species food-limited system with feedback control

$$\frac{du(t)}{dt} = u(t) \left( \frac{r(K - u(t))}{K + au(t)} - cv(t - \tau) \right), \quad \frac{dv(t)}{dt} = -dv(t) + bu(t - \tau).$$

There are also many scholars argued that the non-autonomous case is more suitable. Chen et al. [12] studied the persistent property of the following single species feedback ecosystem

$$\frac{dN(t)}{dt} = r(t)N(t) \left[ 1 - \frac{N^2(t - \tau_1(t))}{K^2(t)} - c(t)u(t - \tau_2(t)) \right],$$

$$\frac{du(t)}{dt} = -a(t)u(t) + b(t)N(t - \tau_3(t)).$$

In [12], by developing a new differential inequality, they showed that the system is always permanent. Based on the famous single species model proposed by Aiello and Freedman, Ding and Cheng [14] proposed the following single species stage-structured model with feedback control:

$$\frac{dx_1(t)}{dt} = \alpha x_2(t) - \gamma x_1(t) - \alpha e^{-\gamma \tau} x_2(t - \tau),$$

$$\frac{dx_2(t)}{dt} = \alpha e^{-\gamma \tau} x_2(t - \tau) - \beta x_2^2(t) - c x_2(t)u(t),$$

$$\frac{du(t)}{dt} = -au(t) + bx_2(t).$$

In [14], it was shown that if the inequality

$$a \beta > bc$$

holds, then $x_1(t) \to x_1^*, x_2(t) \to x_2^*, u(t) \to u^*$ as $t \to +\infty$. This result is then generalized by Han et al. [19] to the infinite delay case. Noting that without the feedback control variable, the system (1.6) is degenerate to the following single species stage-structured system

$$\frac{dx_1(t)}{dt} = \alpha x_2(t) - \gamma x_1(t) - \alpha e^{-\gamma \tau} x_2(t - \tau), \quad \frac{dx_2(t)}{dt} = \alpha e^{-\gamma \tau} x_2(t - \tau) - \beta x_2^2(t).$$

(1.8)

Already, Aiello and Freedman [1] had showed that system (1.8) admits a unique positive equilibrium, which is globally asymptotically stable. Hence, the result of Ding and Cheng [14] implies that under the assumption (1.7), the feedback control variable could only change the position of the equilibrium and did not change the stability property of the equilibrium. Recently, Li et al. [27] considered an autonomous Lotka-Volterra competitive system with infinite delays and feedback controls

$$\frac{dx_1(t)}{dt} = x_1(t)(b_1 - a_{11}x_1(t) - a_{12} \int_0^{+\infty} K_1(s)x_2(t - s)ds - c_1u_1(t)), $$

$$\frac{dx_2(t)}{dt} = x_2(t)(b_2 - a_{21} \int_0^{+\infty} K_2(s)x_1(t - s)ds - a_{22}x_2(t) - c_2u_2(t)),$$

$$\frac{du_1(t)}{dt} = -e_1u_1(t) + d_1x_1(t),$$

$$\frac{du_2(t)}{dt} = -e_2u_2(t) + d_2x_2(t),$$

(1.9)
where \( b_i, a_{ij}, e_i, d_i \) (\( i, j = 1, 2 \)) are positive constants, \( x_i(t) \) denotes the density of the population, \( u_i(t) \) denotes the feedback control variable. Their study showed that the feedback controls only change the position of the unique positive equilibrium if the Lotka-Volterra competitive system is globally stable. However, for the extinct case, by choosing suitable control variables, extinct species can become globally stable, or still keep the property of extinction. Their findings showed that for the extinction case, feedback control variables may change the stability property of the system.

Since dynamic behaviors of system (1.4) is very different to that of the system (1.8), it’s natural to ask: is it possible to avoid the extinction of the species in system (1.4) by choosing some suitable feedback control variable, if possible, whether the system could exhibit some similar dynamic behaviors as that of system (1.9)? The aim of this paper is to give a thoroughly analysis of the dynamic behaviors of system (1.1) and to answer the above problem. For more works on feedback control ecosystem, one could refer to [1–44] and the references cited therein.

The paper is arranged as follows. We will investigated the local stability property of the equilibria of system (1.1) in Section 2. In Section 3, by constructing some suitable Lyapunov function, we are able to investigate the global stability property of the equilibria. Section 4 presents some numerical simulations to show the feasibility of the main results. We end this paper by a briefly discussion.

2. Local stability of the equilibria of system (1.1)

The system (1.1) always admits the boundary equilibrium \( O_1(0, 0, 0) \). If \( \beta \alpha > \delta_2 \left( \beta + \delta_1 \right) \) holds, then the system (1.1) admits a unique positive equilibrium \( A_1(x_1^*, x_2^*, u^*) \), where

\[
x_1^* = \frac{\alpha x_2^*}{\beta + \delta_1}, \quad x_2^* = \frac{e(\alpha \beta - \delta_2(\beta + \delta_1))}{(df + e\gamma)(\beta + \delta_1)}, \quad u^* = \frac{f}{e}x_2^*.
\]

(2.1)

Obviously, \( x_1^*, x_2^*, \) and \( u^* \) satisfy the equation

\[
\begin{align*}
\alpha x_2^* - \beta x_1^* - \delta_1 x_1^* &= 0, \\
\beta x_1^* - \delta_2 x_2^* - \gamma x_2^2 - dx_2 u^* &= 0, \\
-e u^* + f x_2^* &= 0.
\end{align*}
\]

(2.2)

We shall now investigate the local stability property of the above equilibria. The variational matrix of the system (1.1) is

\[
J(x_1, x_2, u) = \begin{pmatrix}
-\beta - \delta_1 & \alpha & 0 \\
\beta & -\delta_2 - 2\gamma x_2 - du & -dx_2 \\
0 & f & -e
\end{pmatrix}.
\]

(2.3)

Theorem 2.1. Assume that

\[
\alpha \beta < \delta_2 \left( \beta + \delta_1 \right)
\]

(2.4)

holds, then \( O_1(0, 0, 0) \) is locally asymptotically stable.

Proof. From (2.3) we could see that the Jacobian matrix of the system about the equilibrium point \( O_1(0, 0, 0) \) is given by

\[
\begin{pmatrix}
-\beta - \delta_1 & \alpha & 0 \\
\beta & -\delta_2 & 0 \\
0 & f & -e
\end{pmatrix}.
\]

(2.5)

The characteristic equation of above matrix is

\[
(\lambda + e)(\lambda^2 + (\beta + \delta_1 + \delta_2)\lambda + \beta \delta_2 + \delta_1 \delta_2 - \alpha \beta) = 0.
\]

Hence, it has one negative characteristic root \( \lambda_1 = -e < 0 \), the other two characteristic roots are deter-
From (2.1) and (2.2), we have

\[ \lambda^2 + (\beta + \delta_1 + \delta_2)\lambda + \beta \delta_2 + \delta_1 \delta_2 - \alpha \beta = 0. \]  

(2.6)

Noting that under the assumption (2.4), the two characteristic roots of equation (2.6) satisfy

\[ \lambda_2 + \lambda_3 = -(\beta + \delta_1 + \delta_2) < 0, \quad \lambda_2 \lambda_3 = \beta \delta_2 + \delta_1 \delta_2 - \alpha \beta > 0, \]

hence, \( \lambda_2 < 0, \lambda_3 < 0. \) Above analysis shows that the three characteristic roots of the matrix (2.5) are all negative, hence, \( O_1(0,0,0) \) is locally stable. This ends the proof of Theorem 2.1.

\[
\text{Theorem 2.2. Assume that} \quad \alpha \beta > \delta_2 (\beta + \delta_1) \quad \text{(2.7)}
\]

holds, then \( A_1(x_1, x_2, u_*) \) is locally asymptotically stable.

\[
\text{Proof. From (2.3) we could see that the Jacobian matrix of the system about the equilibrium point} \quad A_1(x_1, x_2, u_*) \quad \text{is given by}
\]

\[
\begin{pmatrix}
-\beta - \delta_1 & \alpha & 0 \\
\beta & -\delta_2 - 2\gamma x_2 & -du_* \\
0 & f & -e
\end{pmatrix}
\]

(2.8)

The characteristic equation of system (1.1) at \( A_1(x_1, x_2, u_*) \) is

\[ \lambda^3 + B_1 \lambda^2 + B_2 \lambda + B_3 = 0, \]

where

\[
\begin{align*}
B_1 &= du_* + 2\gamma x_2 + \beta + \delta_1 + \delta_2 + e, \\
B_2 &= (\beta + \delta_1)(du_* + 2\gamma x_2 + \delta_2) - \alpha \beta + dx_2 + f(du_* + 2\gamma x_2 + \beta + \delta_1 + \delta_2) e, \\
B_3 &= (\beta + \delta_1)(du_* + 2\gamma x_2 + \delta_2) e - \alpha \beta e + f dx_2 (\beta + \delta_1).
\end{align*}
\]

From (2.1) and (2.2), we have

\[ du_* + 2\gamma x_2 + \delta_2 = \beta \frac{x_1}{x_2} + \gamma x_2 = \frac{\alpha \beta}{\beta + \delta_1} + \gamma x_2. \]

Therefore,

\[
\begin{align*}
B_1 &= du_* + 2\gamma x_2 + \beta + \delta_1 + \delta_2 + e > 0, \\
B_2 &= (\beta + \delta_1) \left( \frac{\alpha \beta}{\beta + \delta_1} + \gamma x_2 \right) - \alpha \beta + dx_2 f + (du_* + 2\gamma x_2 + \beta + \delta_1 + \delta_2) e \\
&\quad \geq dx_2 f + (du_* + 2\gamma x_2 + \beta + \delta_1 + \delta_2) e > 0, \\
B_3 &= (\beta + \delta_1)(du_* + 2\gamma x_2 + \delta_2) e - \alpha \beta e + f dx_2 (\beta + \delta_1) \\
&\quad = (\beta + \delta_1) \left( \frac{\alpha \beta}{\beta + \delta_1} + \gamma x_2 \right) e - \alpha \beta e + f dx_2 (\beta + \delta_1) \geq f dx_2 (\beta + \delta_1) > 0.
\end{align*}
\]

Set \( K = du_* + 2\gamma x_2 + \delta_2, \) then

\[
B_1 B_2 - B_3 = \left( K + \delta_1 + \beta + e \right) [(\beta + \delta_1)K + (K + \beta + \delta_1)e \\
- \alpha \beta + f dx_2] - (\beta + \delta_1)Ke + \alpha \beta e - f dx_2 (\beta + \delta_1) \\
\geq \left( K + \delta_1 + \beta + e \right) \frac{\alpha \beta}{\beta + \delta_1} + (K + \beta + \delta_1)e
\]

and

\[
\]
is locally asymptotically stable. This ends the proof of Theorem 2.2.

by Hurwitz criterion, the three characteristic roots of the matrix (2.8) are all negative, hence, $A_3(x_1^*, x_2^*, u_*)$ is locally asymptotically stable. This ends the proof of Theorem 2.2.

3. Global attractivity

This section try to obtain some sufficient conditions which could ensure the global asymptotical stability of the equilibria of system (1.1).

**Theorem 3.1.** Assume that

$$\alpha \beta < \delta_2 \left( \beta + \delta_1 \right)$$

holds, then $O_1(0, 0, 0)$ is globally asymptotically stable.

**Proof.** Condition (3.1) is equal to

$$\frac{\alpha \beta}{\beta + \delta_1} - \delta_2 + \frac{1}{2f} \left( \delta_2 - \frac{\alpha \beta}{\beta + \delta_1} \right) f < 0.$$  (3.2)

We will prove Theorem 3.1 by constructing some suitable Lyapunov function. Let’s define a Lyapunov function

$$V_1(x_1, x_2, u) = \frac{\beta}{\beta + \delta_1} x_1 + x_2 + k_3 u,$$

where

$$k_3 = \frac{1}{2f} \left( \delta_2 - \frac{\alpha \beta}{\beta + \delta_1} \right).$$

One could easily see that the function $V_1$ is zero at the equilibrium $O(0, 0, 0)$ and is positive for all other positive values of $x_1$, $x_2$, and $u$. The time derivative of $V_1$ along the trajectories of (1.1) is

$$D^+ V_1(t) = \frac{\beta}{\beta + \delta_1} \left( \alpha x_2 - \beta x_1 - \delta x_1 \right) + \beta x_1 - \delta_2 x_2 - \gamma x_2^2 - du_2 - k_3 eu + k_3 fx_2$$

$$= \left( \frac{\alpha \beta}{\beta + \delta_1} - \delta_2 + k_3 f \right) x_2 - \gamma x_2^2 - du_2 - k_3 eu.$$  

It then follows from (3.2) that $D^+ V_1(t) < 0$ strictly for all $x_1, x_2, u > 0$ except the boundary equilibrium $O_1(0, 0, 0)$, where $D^+ V_1(t) = 0$. Thus, $V_1(x_1, x_2, u)$ satisfies Lyapunov’s asymptotic stability theorem, and the boundary equilibrium $O_1(0, 0, 0)$ of system (1.1) is globally asymptotically stable. This completes the proof of Theorem 3.1.

**Theorem 3.2.** Assume that

$$\alpha \beta > \delta_2 \left( \beta + \delta_1 \right)$$

holds, then $A_3(x_1^*, x_2^*, u_*)$ is globally asymptotically stable.

**Proof.** We will prove Theorem 3.2 by constructing some suitable Lyapunov function. Let’s define a Lyapunov function

$$V_2(x_1, x_2, u) = k_1 \left( x_1 - x_1^* - x_1^* \ln \frac{x_1}{x_1^*} \right) + k_2 \left( x_2 - x_2^* - x_2^* \ln \frac{x_2}{x_2^*} \right) + k_3 (u - u_*)^2,$$

where $k_1, k_2, k_3$ are some positive constants determined later. One could easily see that the function $V_2$
is zero at the equilibrium $A_1(x_1, x_2, u_*)$ and is positive for all other positive values of $x_1, x_2$ and $u$. The time derivative of $V_2$ along the trajectories of (1.1) is
\[
D^+ V_2(t) = k_1 \frac{x_1 - x_{1*}}{x_1} \dot{x}_1 + k_2 \frac{x_2 - x_{2*}}{x_2} \dot{x}_2
\]
\[
= k_1 \frac{x_1 - x_{1*}}{x_1} \left( \alpha x_2 - (\beta + \delta_1)x_1 \right)
\]
\[
+ k_2 \frac{x_2 - x_{2*}}{x_2} \left( \beta x_1 - \delta_2 x_2 - \gamma x_2^2 - du x_2 \right) + 2k_3(u - u_*)(-eu + fx_2).
\]  
(3.3)

Noting that from the relationship of $x_{1*}, x_{2*}$ and $u_*$ (see (2.2)), we have
\[
\alpha x_2 - (\beta + \delta_1)x_1 = \frac{\alpha}{x_{1*}}(x_2 x_{1*} - x_1 x_{2*}) + \alpha x_1 x_{2*} - \left( \beta + \delta_1 \right)x_1
\]
\[
= \frac{\alpha}{x_{1*}} \left( -x_2(x_1 - x_{1*}) + x_1(x_2 - x_{2*}) \right),
\]  
(3.4)

also, from (2.1) and (2.3), we have
\[
\beta x_1 - \delta_2 x_2 - \gamma x_2^2 - du x_2 = \frac{\beta}{x_{2*}} (x_1 x_{2*} - x_2 x_{1*}) + \beta x_2 \frac{x_{1*}}{x_{2*}} - \delta_2 x_2 - \gamma x_2^2 - du x_2
\]
\[
= \frac{\beta}{x_{2*}} (x_1 x_{2*} - x_1 x_2 + x_1 x_2 - x_2 x_{1*}) + \left( \frac{\alpha \beta}{\beta + \delta_1} - \delta_2 \right)x_2 - \gamma x_2^2 - du x_2
\]  
(3.5)

from the third equation of (2.2), we have
\[
-eu + fx_2 = -eu + fx_2 + eu_* - fx_2 = -e(u - u_*) + f(x_2 - x_{2*}).
\]  
(3.6)

Applying (3.4)-(3.6) to (3.3) leads to
\[
D^+ V_2(t) = k_1 \frac{x_1 - x_{1*}}{x_1} \alpha \left( -x_2(x_1 - x_{1*}) + x_1(x_2 - x_{2*}) \right)
\]
\[
+ k_2 \frac{x_2 - x_{2*}}{x_2} \beta \left( x_1(x_{2*} - x_2) + x_2(x_1 - x_{1*}) \right)
\]
\[
+ k_2 \gamma x_2 \frac{x_2 - x_{2*}}{x_2} \left( x_2 - x_{2*} \right) + k_2 du \frac{x_{2*}}{x_2} \left( u_* - u \right)
\]
\[
+ 2k_3(u - u_*)(-e(u - u_*) + f(x_2 - x_{2*})
\]
\[
= -k_1 \alpha x_2 \frac{x_1 x_{1*}}{x_{1*}} (x_1 - x_{1*})^2 + \left( \frac{k_1 \alpha}{x_{1*}} + \frac{k_2 \beta}{x_{2*}} \right)(x_1 - x_{1*})(x_2 - x_{2*})
\]
\[
+ k_2 \beta x_1 \frac{x_1 x_{2*}}{x_2} (x_2 - x_{2*})^2 - k_2 \gamma \left( x_2 - x_{2*} \right)^2 + k_2 du \left( x_2 - x_{2*} \right)(u_* - u)
\]
\[
- 2k_3 e(u - u_*)^2 + 2k_3 f(u - u_*)(x_2 - x_{2*}).
\]

Now let’s choose $k_2 = 1, k_1 = \frac{\beta x_{1*}}{x_{2*} \alpha}, k_3 = \frac{d}{2f}$, then
\[
D^+ V_2(t) = -\beta x_2 \frac{x_1 x_{1*}}{x_{2*}} (x_1 - x_{1*})^2 + \frac{2 \beta \gamma}{x_{2*}} (x_1 - x_{1*})(x_2 - x_{2*})
\]
\[
- \frac{\beta x_1}{x_2 x_{2*}} (x_2 - x_{2*})^2 - \gamma \left( x_2 - x_{2*} \right)^2 - \frac{d e}{f} (u - u_*)^2
\]
\[
= -\beta \frac{x_1}{x_2^2} \sqrt{\frac{x_1}{x_2} (x_1 - x_{1*})} - \sqrt{\frac{x_1}{x_2} (x_2 - x_{2*})} \right] - \gamma \left( x_2 - x_{2*} \right)^2 - \frac{d e}{f} (u - u_*)^2.
\]
Hence, \( D^+ V_2(t) < 0 \) strictly for all \( x_1, x_2, u > 0 \) except the positive equilibrium \( \Lambda(x_{1*}, x_{2*}, u_*) \), where \( D^+ V_2(t) = 0 \). Thus, \( V_2(x_1, x_2, u) \) satisfies Lyapunov’s asymptotic stability theorem, and the positive equilibrium \( \Lambda_1(x_{1*}, x_{2*}, u_*) \) of system (1.1) is globally asymptotically stable. This completes the proof of Theorem 3.2.

Remark 3.3. Compared with Theorems 3.1 and 3.2, we showed that if the system is globally stable, then the feedback control variable only change the position of the unique positive equilibrium and retain the stable property. If the system is extinct, then we show that the system with feedback control is also extinct.

Remark 3.4. For the case the system admits a unique positive equilibrium, from Theorems 3.2 and 2.2 and the expression of \( x_{1*}, x_{2*} \) (see (2.1)), one could easily see that \( x_{2*} < x_{2}^*, x_{1*} < x_{1}^* \), where \( (x_{1}^*, x_{2}^*) \) is the unique positive equilibrium of the system (1.4). Hence, the feedback control variable alter the system structurally so as to make the population stabilize at value lower than the original system.

Remark 3.5. Condition \( \beta \alpha > \delta_2 (\beta + \delta_1) \) is sufficient and necessary to ensure the systems (1.1) and (1.4) admit a unique positive equilibrium, hence, we could draw the conclusion: if the system (1.4) admits the unique positive equilibrium, the feedback control variables will have no influence on the stability of the system.

4. Numeric simulations

Now let’s consider the following examples.

Example 4.1. Let’s consider the single species stage structure system with feedback control:

\[
\begin{align*}
\frac{dx_1}{dt} &= 3x_2 - x_1 - x_1, \\
\frac{dx_2}{dt} &= x_1 - x_2 - x_2 u, \\
\frac{du}{dt} &= -u + x,
\end{align*}
\]

(4.1)

here we choose \( \beta = \delta_1 = \delta_2 = \gamma = e = f = 1, \alpha = 3 \). Hence

\[ \alpha \beta = 3 > 2 = \delta_2 (\beta + \delta_1). \]

It follows from Theorem 3.2 that the unique positive equilibrium \( \Lambda_1(\frac{3}{8}, \frac{1}{4}, \frac{1}{4}) \) is globally asymptotically stable. Numeric simulations (Figs. 1, 2, 3) also support this assertion.

![Figure 1](image1.png)  
Figure 1: Dynamics behaviors of the first component \( x_1(t) \) of system (4.1), here we take \( \alpha = 3 \) and the initial conditions \( (x_1(0), x_2(0), u(0)) = (0.5, 0.1, 0.2), (0.1, 0.1, 0.1), (1, 1, 1) \) and \( (0.4, 0.4, 0.4) \), respectively.

![Figure 2](image2.png)  
Figure 2: Dynamics behaviors of the second component \( x_2(t) \) of the system (4.1). Here, we take \( \alpha = 3 \) and the initial conditions \( (x_1(0), x_2(0), u(0)) = (0.5, 0.1, 0.2), (0.1, 0.1, 0.1), (1, 1, 1) \) and \( (0.4, 0.4, 0.4) \), respectively.
Figure 3: Dynamics behaviors of the third component $u(t)$ of the system (4.1), here we take $\alpha = 3$ and the initial conditions $(x_1(0),x_2(0),u(0)) = (0.5,0.1,0.2),(0.1,0.1,0.1),(1,1,1)$ and $(0.4,0.4,0.4)$, respectively.

Figure 4: Dynamics behaviors of the first component $x_1(t)$ of the system (4.2), here we take $\alpha = 1$ and the initial conditions $(x_1(0),x_2(0),u(0)) = (0.5,0.1,0.2),(0.1,0.1,0.1),(1,1,1)$ and $(0.4,0.4,0.4)$, respectively.

Example 4.2. Let’s consider the single species stage structure system with feedback control:

$$\frac{dx_1}{dt} = x_2 - x_1 - x_1, \quad \frac{dx_2}{dt} = x_1 - x_2 - x_2^2 - x_2 u, \quad \frac{du}{dt} = -u + x,$$

(4.2)

here we choose $\beta = \delta_1 = \delta_2 = \gamma = e = f = \alpha = 1$. Hence

$$\alpha \beta = 1 < 2 = \delta_2 (\beta + \delta_1).$$

It follows from Theorem 3.1 that the boundary equilibrium $O_1(0,0,0)$ is globally asymptotically stable. Numeric simulations (Figs. 4, 5, 6) also support this assertion.

Figure 5: Dynamics behaviors of the second component $x_2(t)$ of the system (4.2), here we take $\alpha = 1$ and the initial conditions $(x_1(0),x_2(0),u(0)) = (0.5,0.1,0.2),(0.1,0.1,0.1),(1,1,1)$ and $(0.4,0.4,0.4)$, respectively.

Figure 6: Dynamics behaviors of the third component $u(t)$ of the system (4.2), here we take $\alpha = 1$ and the initial conditions $(x_1(0),x_2(0),u(0)) = (0.5,0.1,0.2),(0.1,0.1,0.1),(1,1,1)$ and $(0.4,0.4,0.4)$, respectively.
5. Conclusion

Since the pioneering work of Gopalsamy and Weng [18], the study of the dynamic behaviors of ecosystem with feedback control system becomes one of the main topics of mathematics biology (see [18–32] and the references cited therein). Among those works, two papers seem very interesting, the first one is Ding and Cheng [14], they proposed the single species stage structured system with feedback control (system (1.6)), though they showed the system admits unique positive equilibrium, they needed some additional condition (inequality (1.7)) to ensure the global asymptotically stable of the positive equilibrium. The second interesting paper is wrote by Li et al. [27], they proposed a competitive system with feedback controls, they found that for the extinct case, by choosing suitable control variables, extinct species can become globally stable, or still keep the property of extinction, which means that the feedback control mechanism is one of the essential method to avoid the extinction of the species. On the other hand, recently, Khajanchi and Banerjee [23] proposed a stage structured predator prey system (system (1.3)), and their success stimulated us to propose the system (1.1).

It seems that our results are also very interesting. We showed that if the system (1.4) admits a unique positive equilibrium, then feedback control variable could only alter the positive equilibrium to a lower case and could not change the stability property of the positive equilibrium, and for the extinct case, dislike the results of Li et al. [27], we show that the system still driven to extinction, and feedback mechanism could not avoid the extinct of the species.

Condition (2.7) could also be rewrite as $\alpha > \delta_2 \left(1 + \frac{\delta_1}{\beta}\right)$, from this, we could find that the birth rate of the immature species and death rate of the mature species play most important role on the persistent and stability of the system. Promoting the birth rate of the immature species and reducing the death rate of the mature species will increasing the stability of the system.

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