

Emerald Ash Borers :Biological controls & Agent based model



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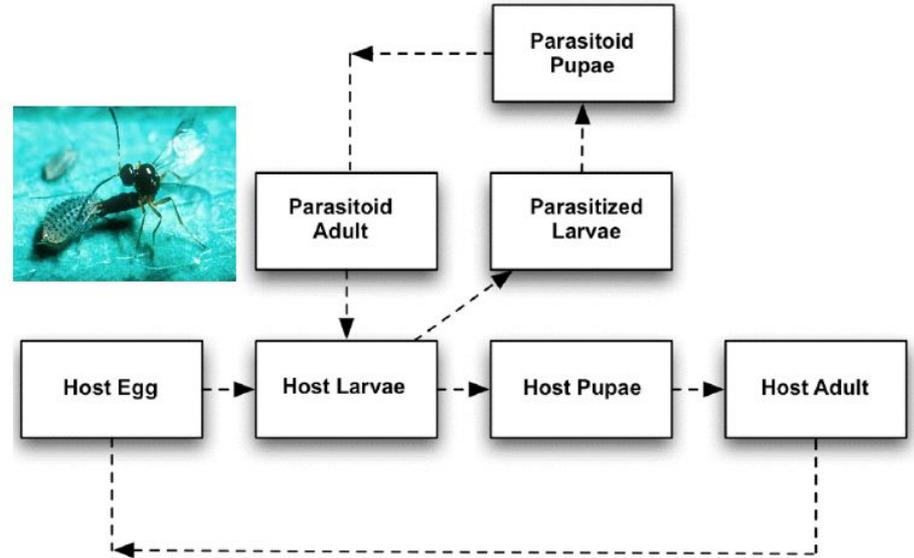


Contexts

- Biocontrols
- Agent Based Model for EAB Population
- What's next

Parasitism as Biocontrol method

Parasitoid: *T. planipennisi*





Basic Nicholson & Bailey model

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R: EAB growth rate in ash

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Stability

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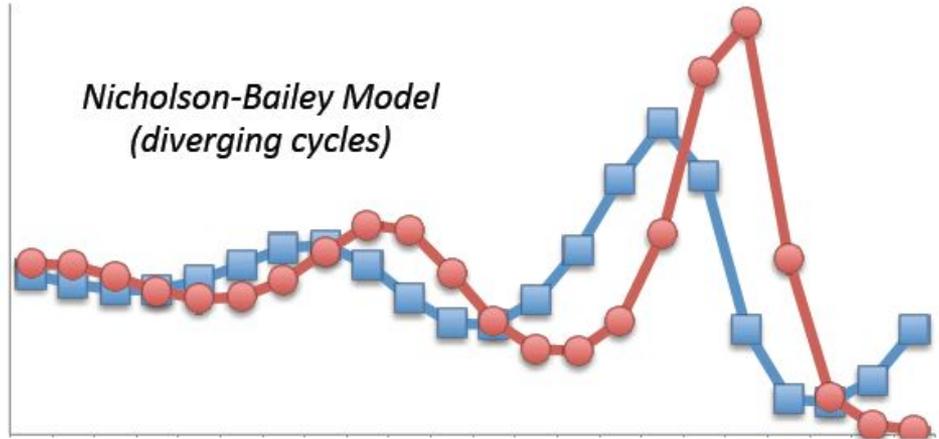
Equilibrium:

$$\text{Set } H_{t+1} = H_t = H^* \quad P_{t+1} = P_t = P^*$$

$$H^* = \frac{\ln(R)}{(R-1)Kc} \quad P^* = \frac{\ln(R)}{c}$$

Stability occurs if and only if

*Nicholson-Bailey Model
(diverging cycles)*



Large and unstable oscillations lead to the extinction of parasitoid while EAB population is still active, $dH^*/dR < 0$ when it's unstable.

$$\frac{dH^*}{dR} > 0$$

Refuge Model

Model:

$$H_{t+1} = \mu \lambda R H_t + (1 - \mu) R H_t \exp(-c P_t)$$

$$P_{t+1} = (1 - \mu) (1 - \exp(-c P_t)) * k R H_t$$

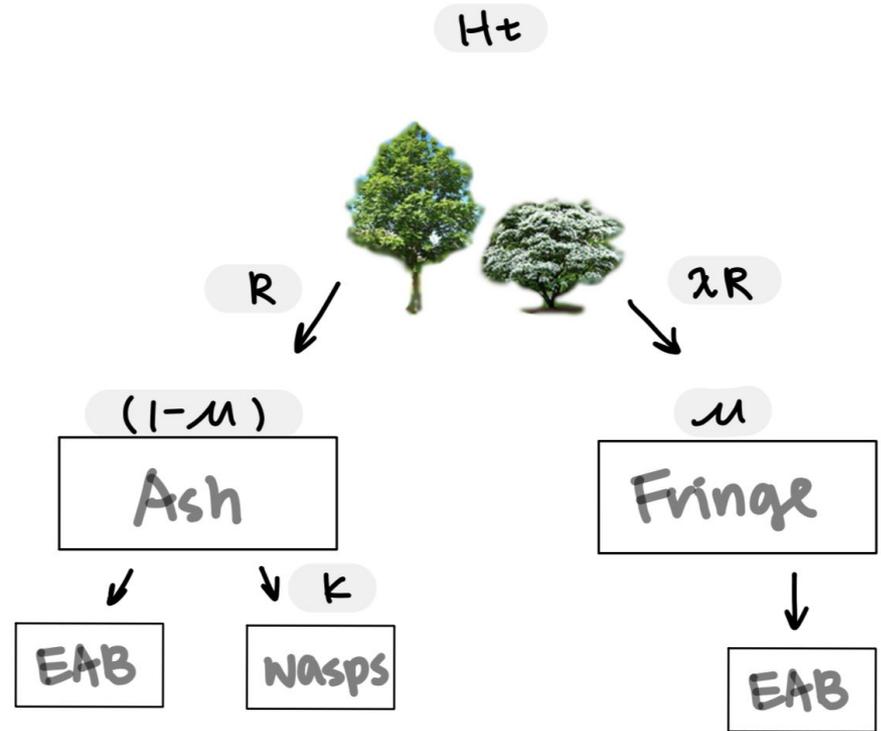
Equilibrium:

$$H^* = \frac{1}{k c} * \frac{\left(\log \left(\frac{(1-\mu) R}{1-\mu \lambda R} \right) \right)}{(R-1) - (1-\lambda) \mu R}$$

$$P^* = (1 - \mu) k R H^* (1 - \exp(-c P^*))$$

Stability condition: $\frac{d}{dR} H^* > 0$

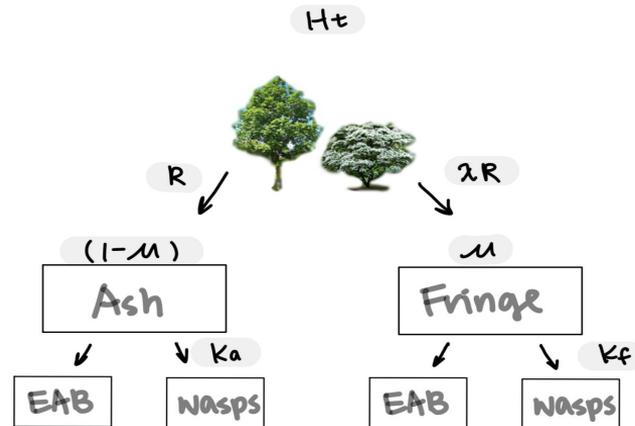
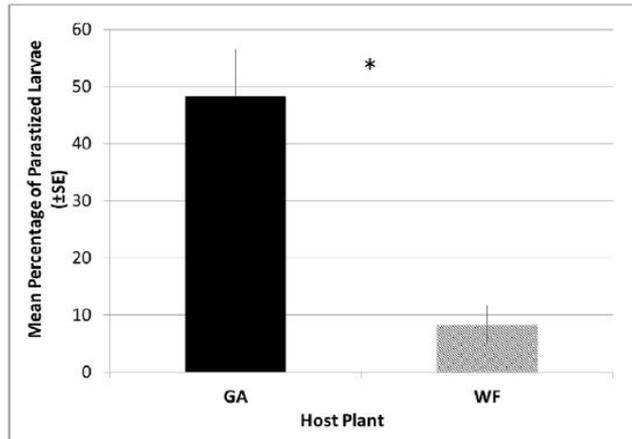
Implies stable positive equilibrium



Partial Refuge model

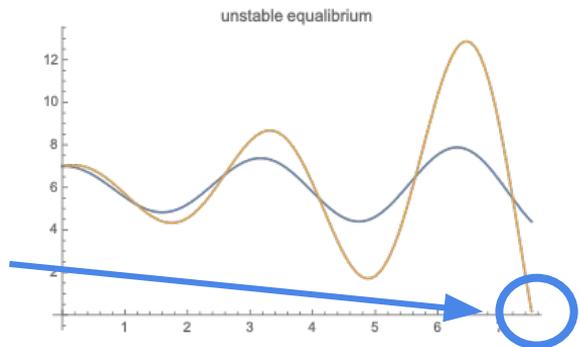
$$H_{t+1} = \lambda \mu R H_t \exp(-c P_t \nu) + (1 - \mu) R H_t \exp(-c P_t (1 - \nu))$$

$$P_{t+1} = \lambda \mu (1 - \exp(-c P_t \nu)) k_f R H_t + (1 - \mu) (1 - \exp(-c T P_t (1 - \nu))) k_a R H_t$$

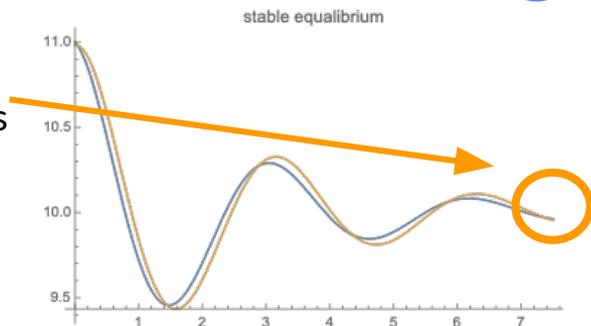


Parameter space for μ & ν

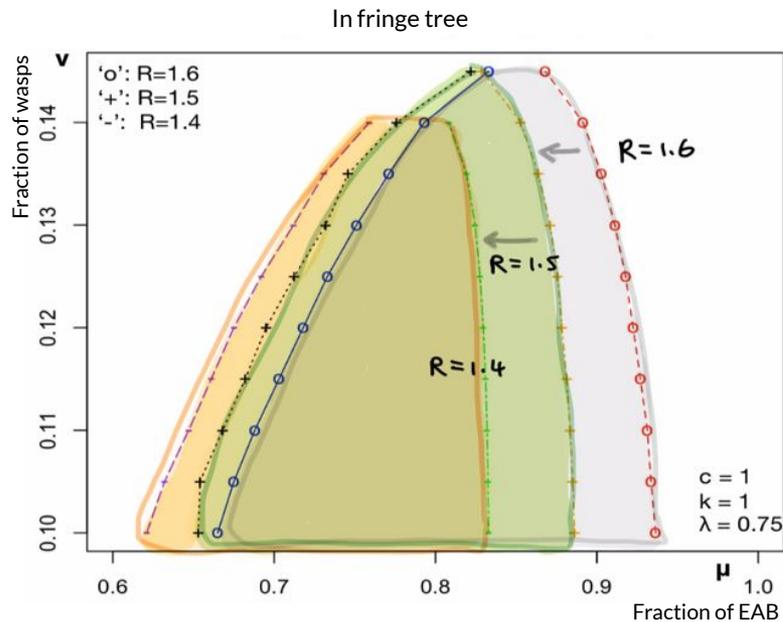
Extinction



Stable populations

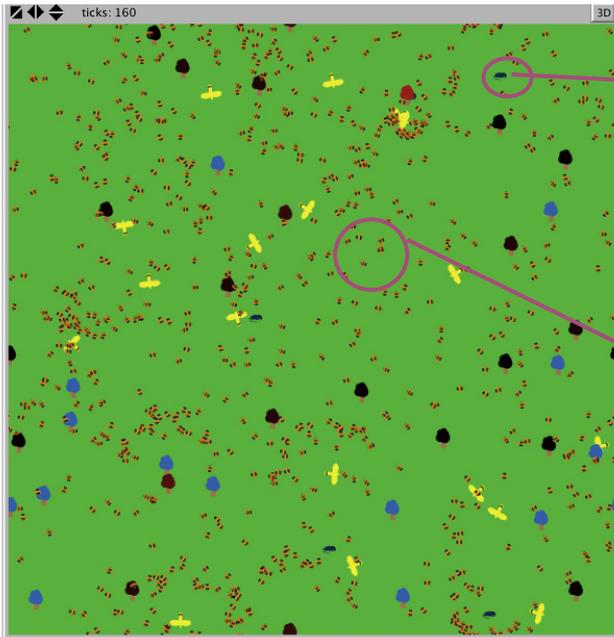


“For which μ and ν is the equilibrium stable?”





Agents



Emerald Ash Borers

Parasitic Wasps

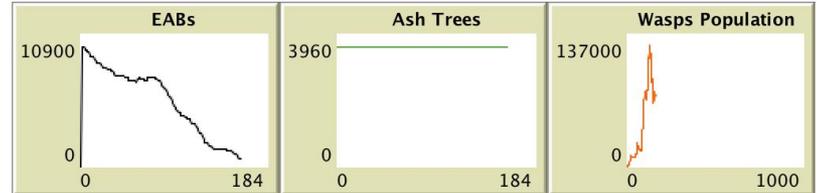
Basic Settings & Data Monitor



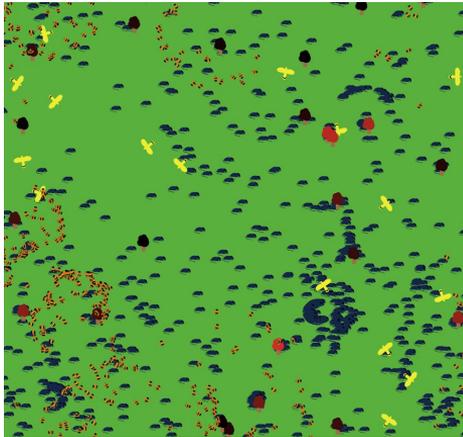
number-of-wasps 1800 Release Wasps

number-EABs-to-add 5000 launch an EAB invasion

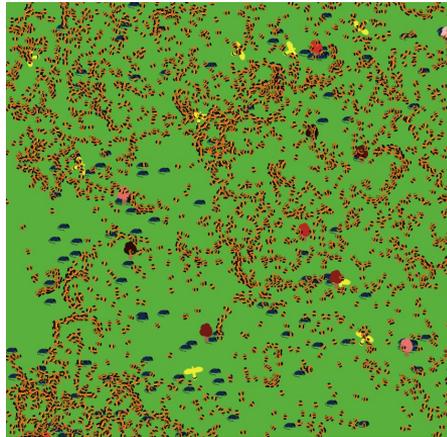
EABs	wasps
600	74400



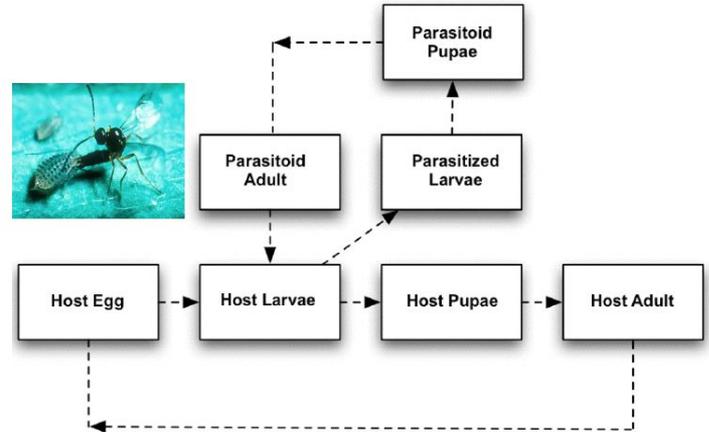
Life Cycles are not synchronized



EAB

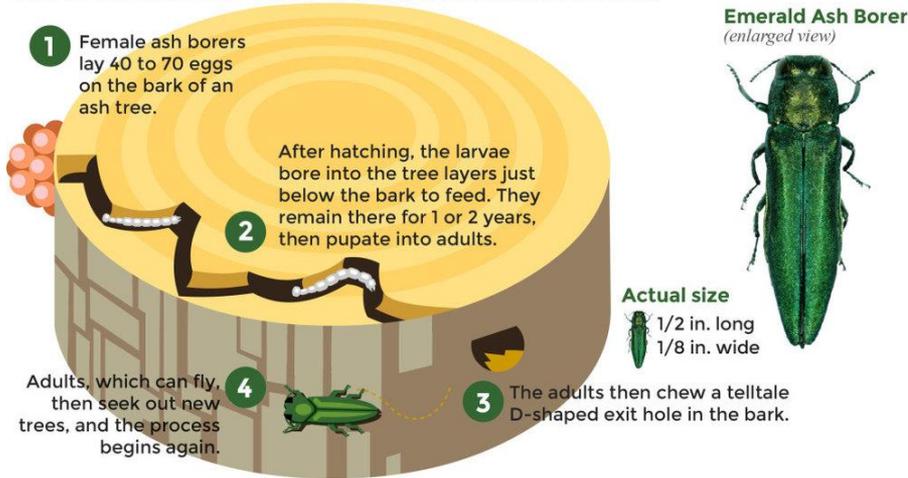


Wasps



Next step

LIFE CYCLE OF THE EMERALD ASH BORER



- Break the model into a more detailed version based on the life stages of Emerald Ash Borer.
- Examine the effects of biological controls through agent.
- Merge published life-cycle data with the Nicholson-Bailey model



Thank You !