

spatial predator prey model with periodic forcing



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Predator-prey basic model

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial t} = u(1-u) - \frac{uv}{u+h}$$

*Intrinsic
birth and death* *Predation*

$$\frac{\partial v}{\partial t} = k \frac{uv}{u+h} - mv$$

*Benefit from
Predation* *Death*

Modified model

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial t} = [c + \lambda \sin(\omega t)]u(1-u) - \frac{uv}{u+h} + D_1 \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2}$$

Periodic forcing

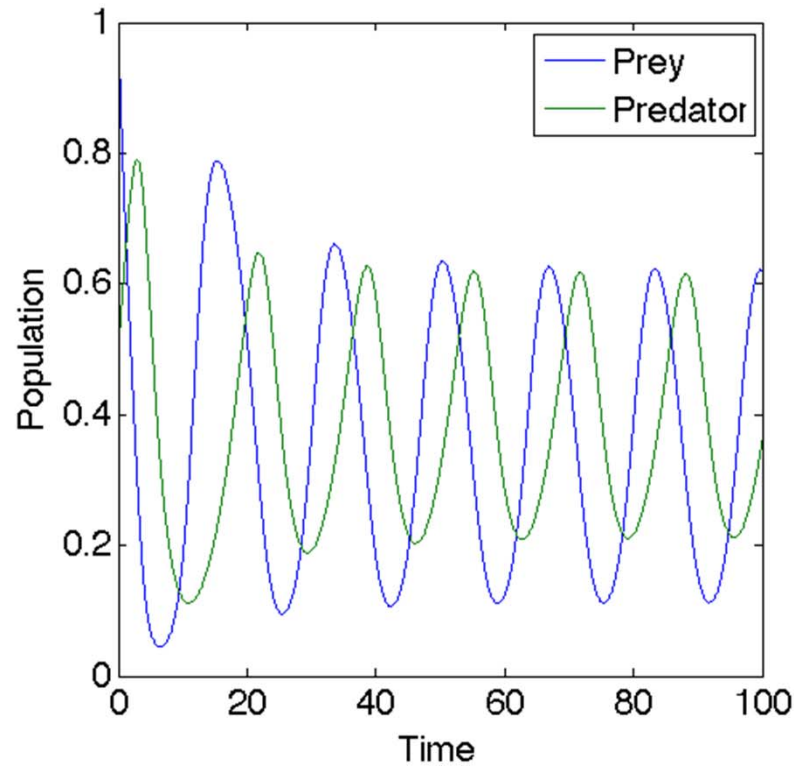
Dispersal

$$\frac{\partial v}{\partial t} = k \frac{uv}{u+h} - mv + D_2 \frac{\partial^2 v}{\partial x^2}$$

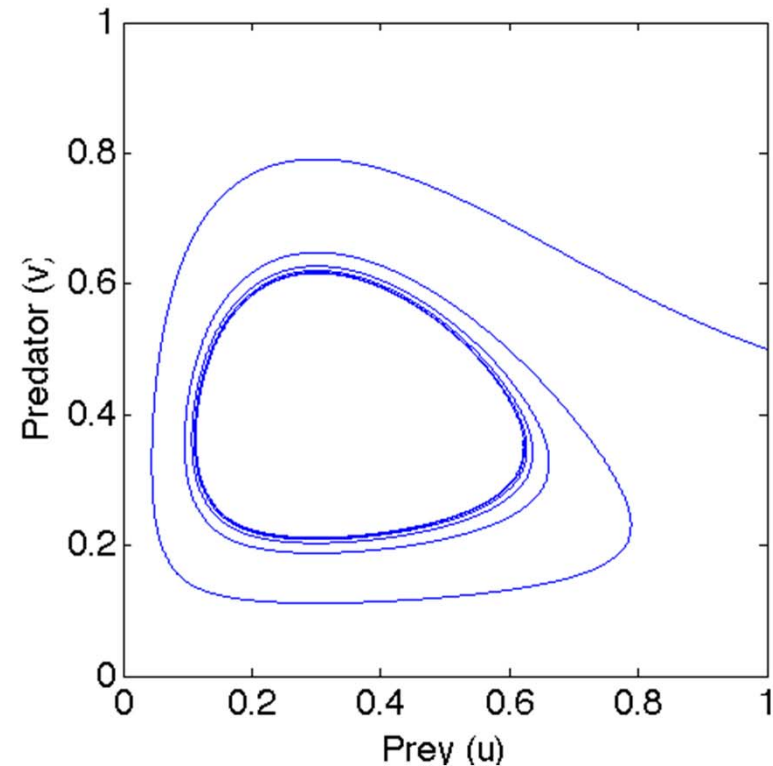
Dispersal

Case without forcing & diffusion

Temporal patterns



Phase space



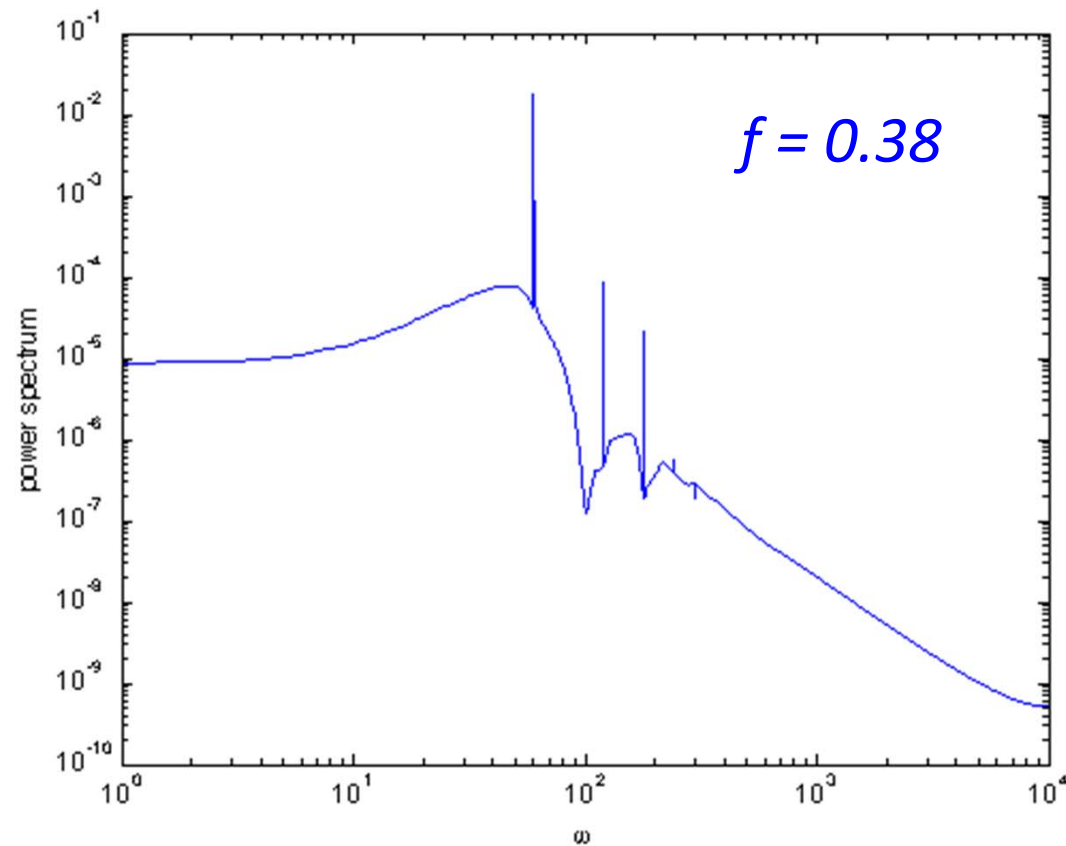
Handling time (h) = 0.3

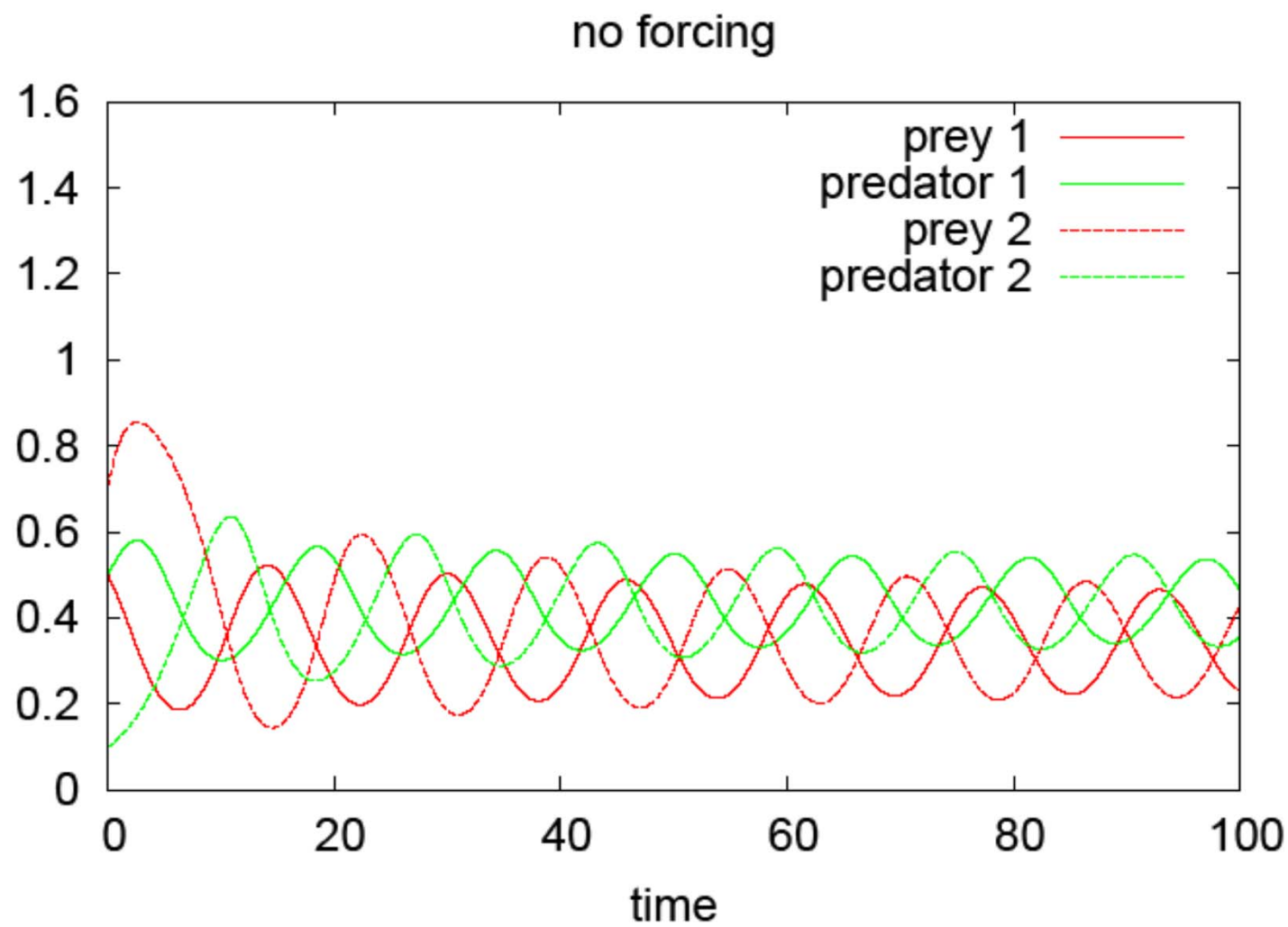
Efficiency of predator(k) = 1

Death rate (m) = 0.5

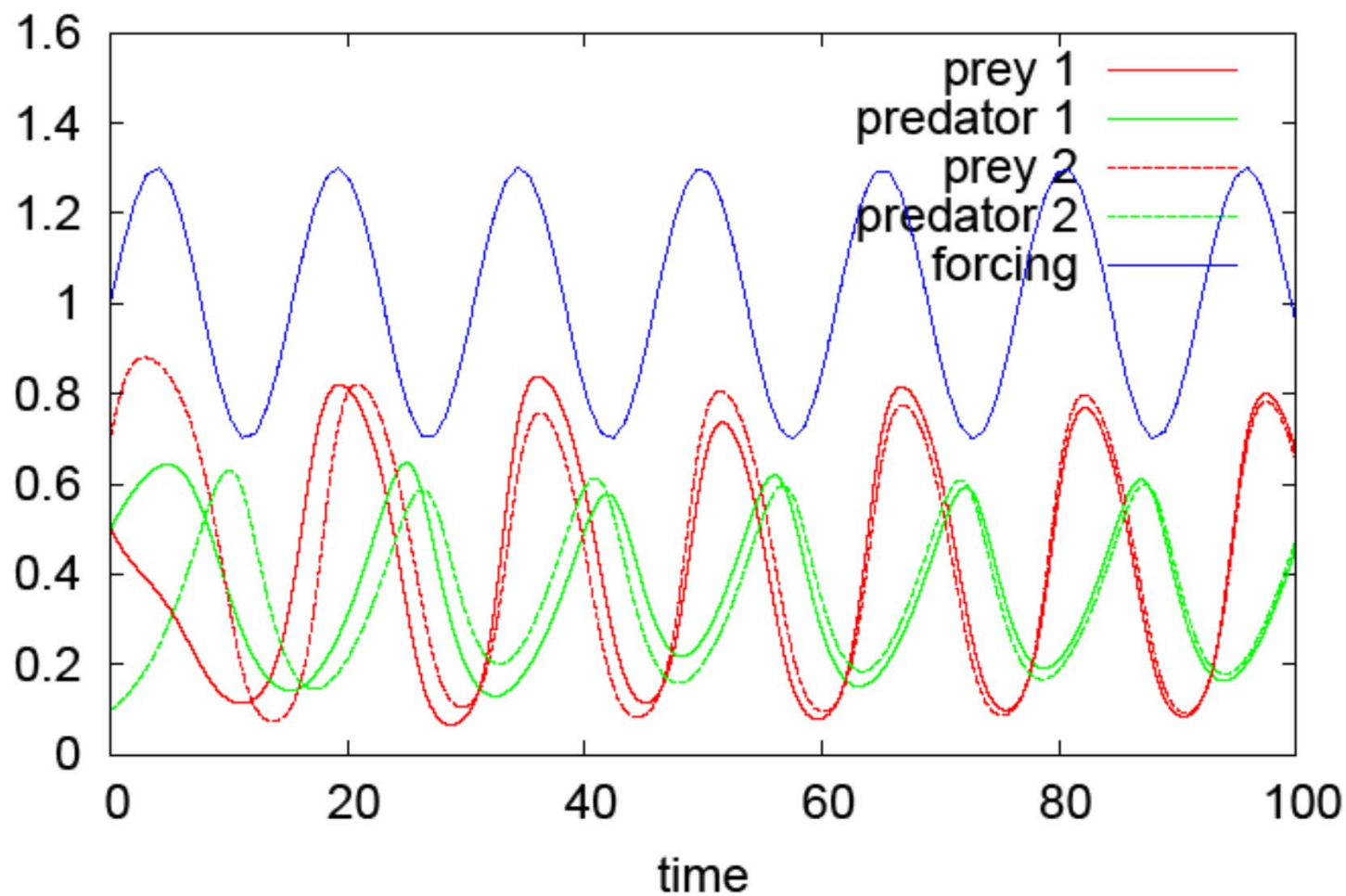
Case without forcing & diffusion

Temporal power spectrum: to find natural periodicity

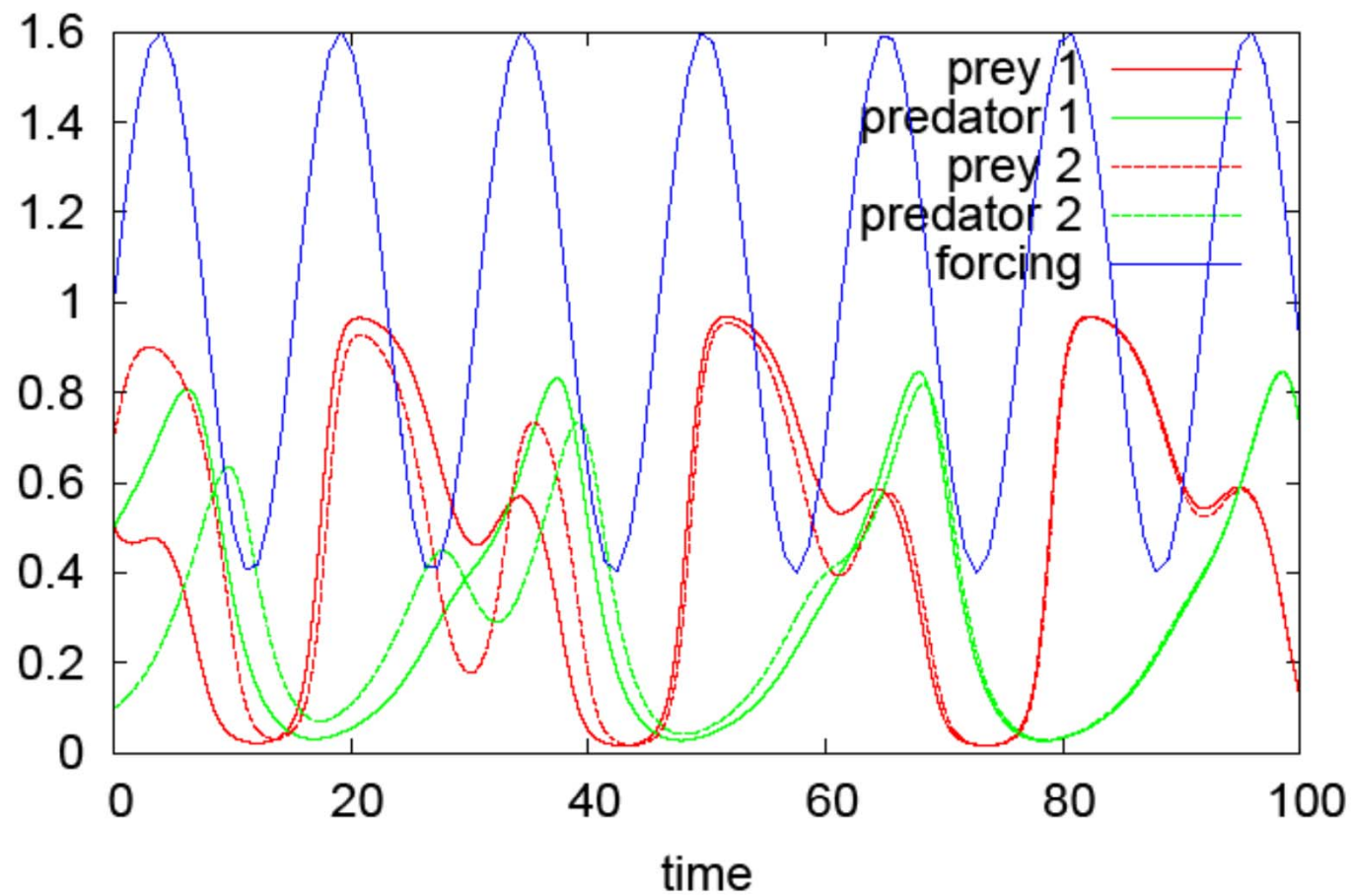




forcing strength = 0.3 forcing frequency = system frequency

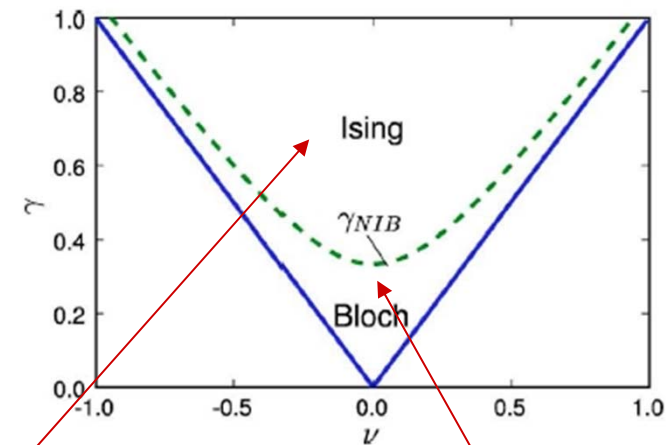
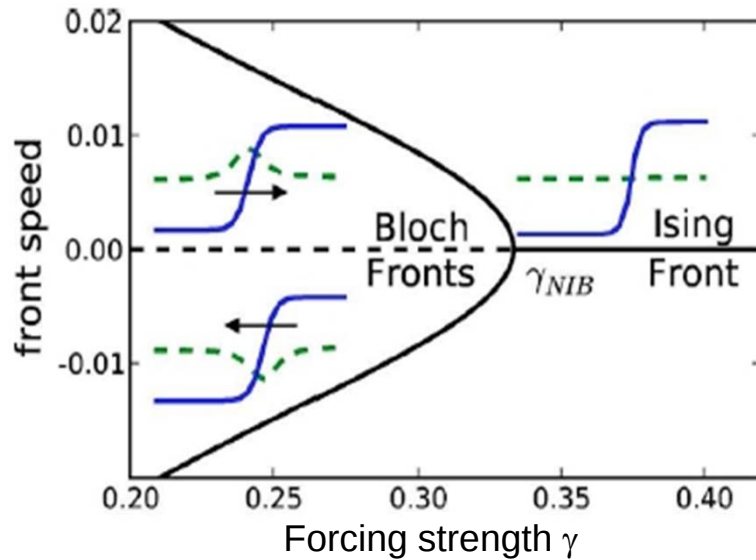


forcing strength = 0.6 forcing frequency = system frequency



Temporal forcing: frequency locking – patterns

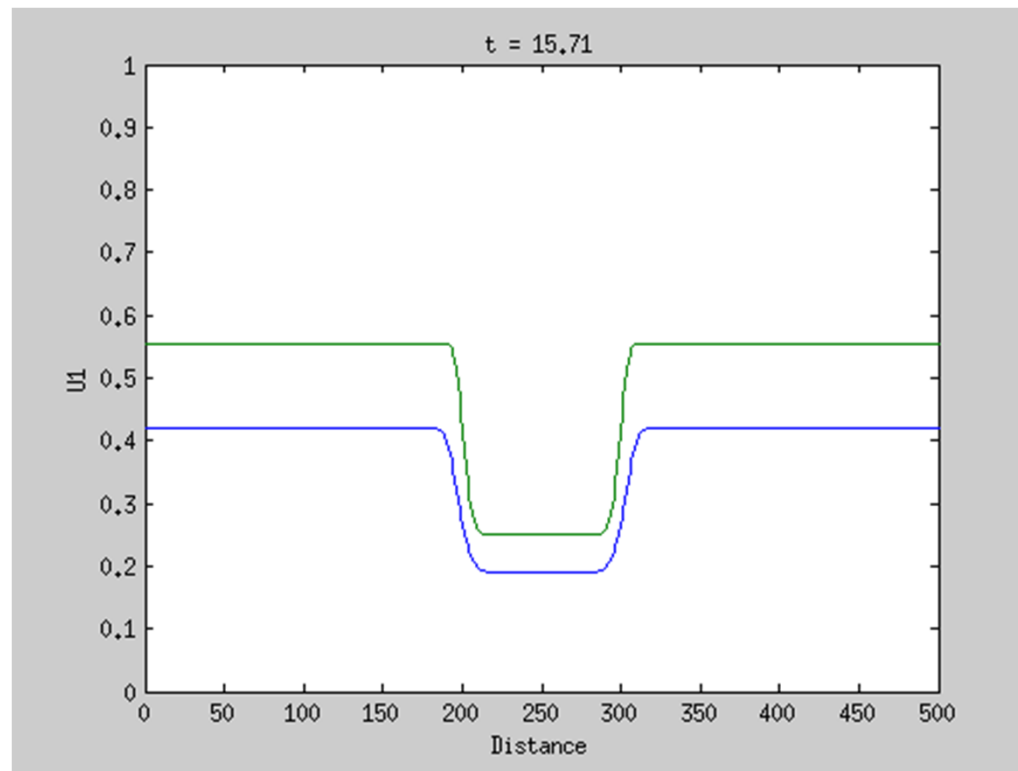
front solutions that can go through a NIB front bifurcation as the forcing strength is decreased (like in the unforced bistable FHN):



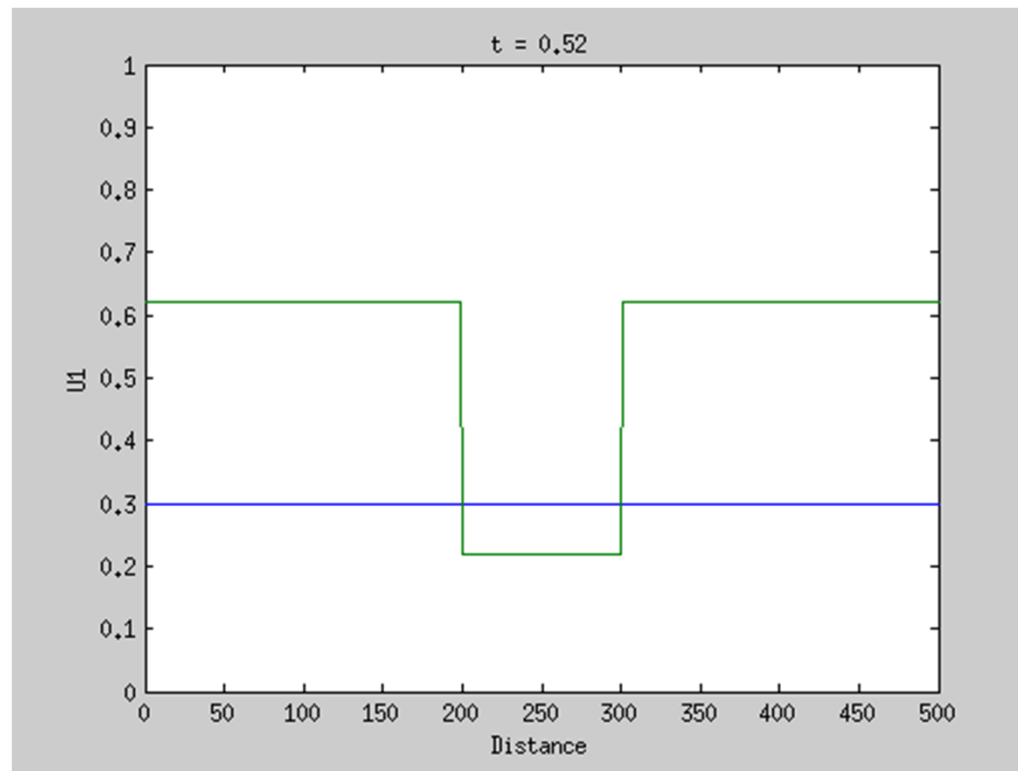
Ising: Stationary fronts and patterns

Bloch: Traveling fronts and patterns

stationary front (phase locking)
forcing freq = 2 * natural freq



no phase locking



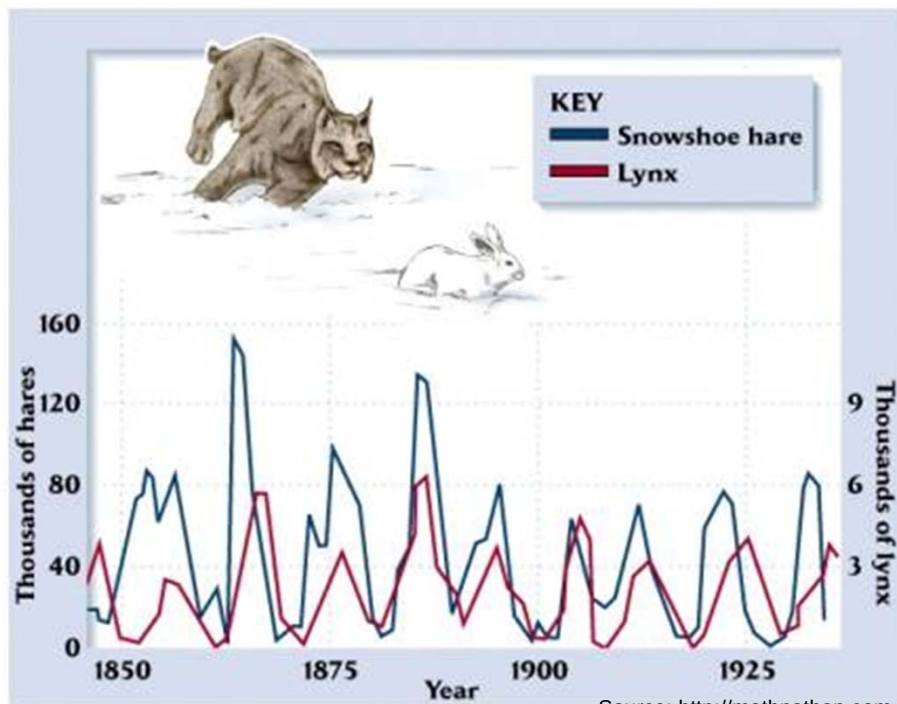
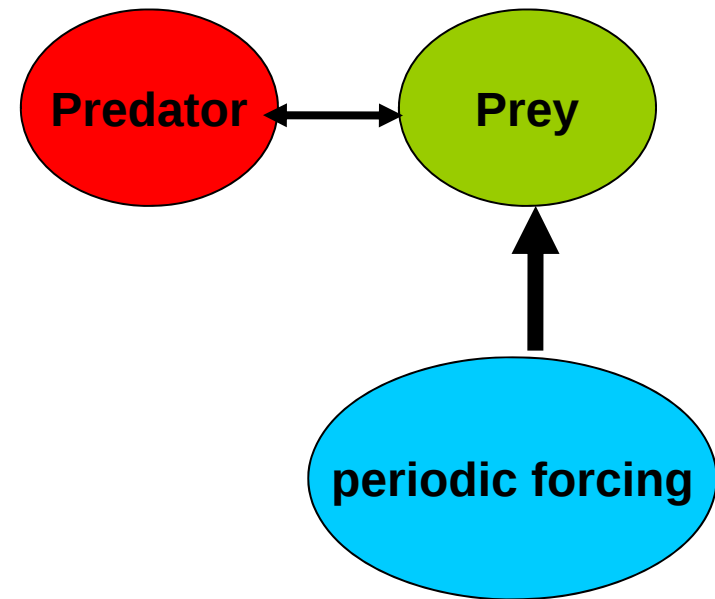
Ecological context

periodic forcing on prey:

- food availability
- reproductive cycle

also possible:

- periodic forcing on handling time



seasonal food availability and prey reproduction

	generation per year
univoltine	1
bivoltine	2
multivoltine	>3
semivoltine	0.5
parivoltine	<0.3



univoltinism

- synchronised single reproduction with climate, low rates
- food limitation



Arctic hare (*L. arcticus*)
day length



Capybara
(*Hydrochoerus spp.*)
rainy season

multivoltinism

- reproduction all year round
- high reproduction rate
- no seasonal food limitation



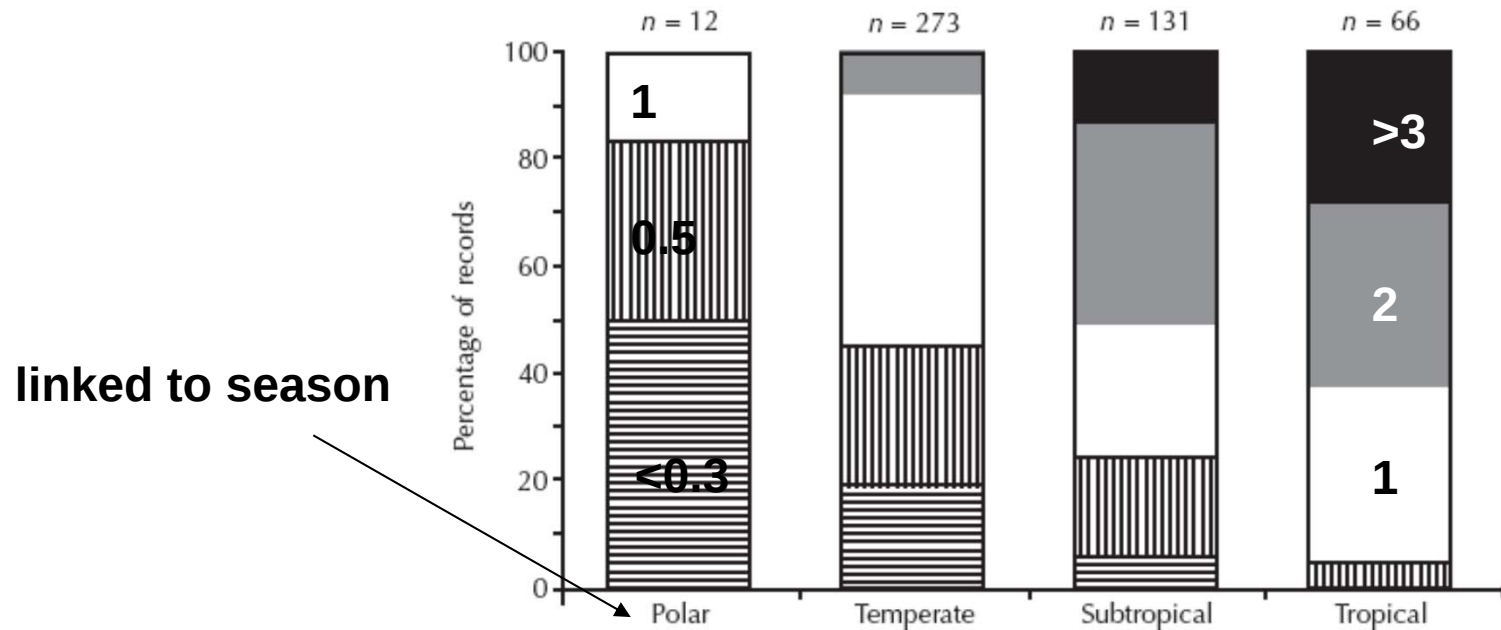
Agouti (*Dasyprocta spp.*)
< every 3 month

biological synchrony of predator and prey

“Sleeping with the enemy” (*Kroon et al. 2008*)

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Biogeography and external forcing

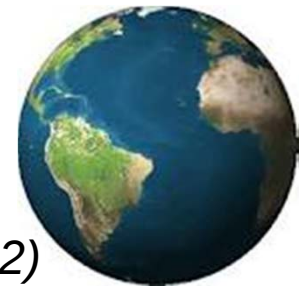


climate change:

Firefly voltinism *Corbet et al. 2006*

longer summers, shorter winters an high latitude
decreasing time of snow cover
change in dry season, rainiy season

Voltinism can change with climate change (*Stoeckli et al. 2012*)



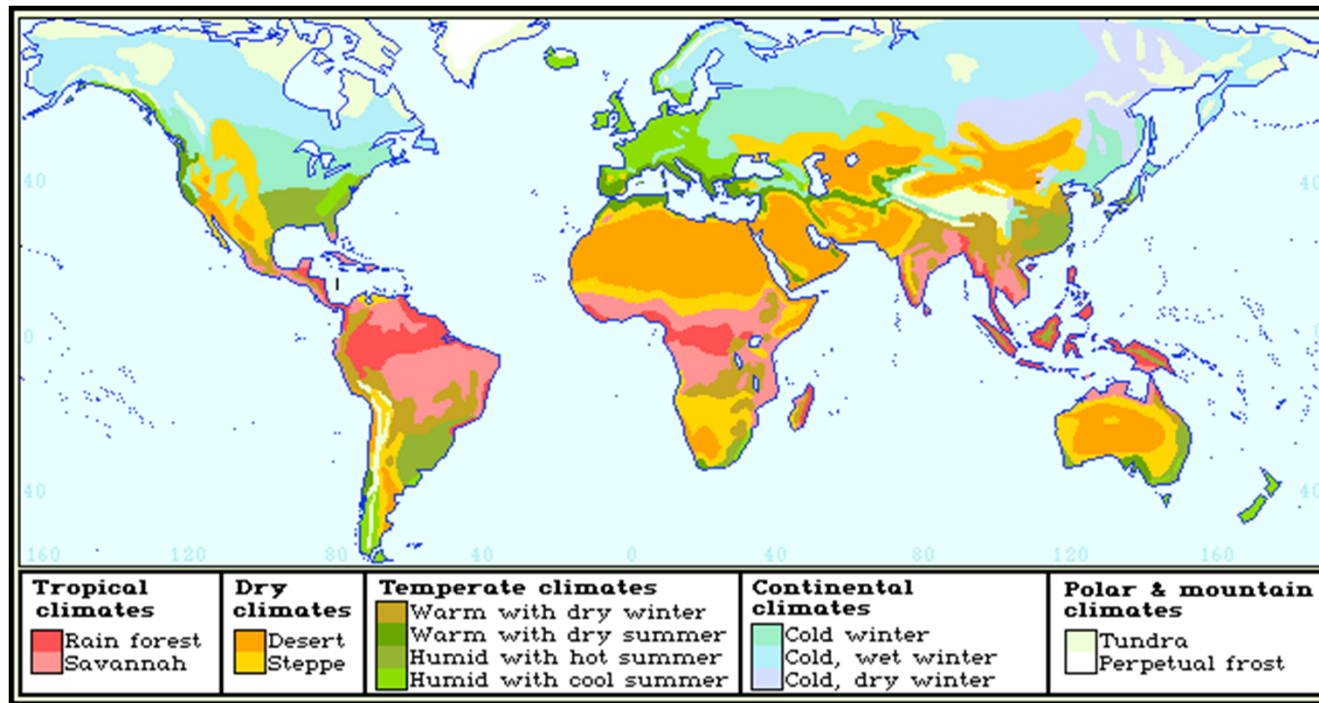
Hypothesis

weak seasonal forcing, high growth rate (e.g. tropics):

————→ traveling waves

strong seasonal forcing, small growth rate:

————→ more stationary pattern



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