



Dynamics of Competitive Stochastic Predator-Prey Model with Holling Type II under Small Random Immigration

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Abstract. In this paper, we introduce a novel competitive stochastic predator-prey model by means of Holling type II with small random immigration. A Series of analytical results are conducted on the model such as the boundedness of the model's solution, stochastic mean square stability, and the conditions of the persistence and extinction of the predator-prey population. All analytical results were validated with numerical simulations by choosing different sets of small random immigration. Conditions on the random immigration under which the system is stochastically stable are specified. In addition, small immigration has been shown to have a great impact on persistence and extinction of the system, which can play an important role in species conservation, especially by controlling the conditions of stochastic small immigration.

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1. Introduction

One of the most interesting topics in biomathematics is the study of the dynamical behavior of the so-called predator-prey models. Most certainly, the initiative work in this direction is that of Lotka [1] and Voltera [2]. However, some of the flaws with this model are that the interaction between the prey and predator populations is instantaneous, which may not be the case in many natural ecosystems; moreover, the model presupposes that the prey population has infinitely many resources to consume. Lotka-Voltera model has been developed in its structure to display more realistic features of the dynamics

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24 by many researchers, see, for example, [3–9]. Due to many questions that come from
 25 ecological points of view, up to date many researchers are still working to answer such
 26 questions, for some examples of predator-prey models include the Allee effect, the fear
 27 effect, immigration, prey refuge, and cannibalism see, for example, [10–13].

28 One of the important and recent external elements that is considered to play a crucial
 29 role in the dynamics of predator-prey models is immigration. This factor could lead to
 30 stabilizing unstable models as in [14], and also helps in understanding the persistence and
 31 extinction of some models that were not clear to explain [15, 16]. In general, many of these
 32 elements are described by means of deterministic system of ordinary differential equations,
 33 which have it is own shortcomings in considering natural fluctuations that could affect
 34 the ecological environment. This constraint has increased interest in stochastic modeling
 35 tools [17–21], which capture the natural unpredictability that affects ecological systems.
 36 Small random immigration has mostly impacted simpler predator-prey interactions, such
 37 as Holling type I models [22]. These studies often focus on specific elements, such as
 38 stochastic square stability, without completely addressing wider dynamical behaviors like
 39 persistence and extinction. This indicates a significant research gap: understanding how
 40 random immigration effects more complicated predator-prey systems, particularly those
 41 regulated by Holling type II responses, which better depict predator saturation and are
 42 ecologically more realistic.

43 Our goal in this paper is to fill this gap by investigating a stochastic predator-prey
 44 model with Holling type II dynamics and extra ecological interactions, emphasizing how
 45 random immigration influences the boundedness of solutions, stochastic stability, persis-
 46 tence, and extinction of both prey and predator populations. To provide a more complete
 47 understanding of these complex dynamics, we use both rigorous mathematical analysis
 48 and numerical simulation.

49 2. Problem Statement

50 We consider a deterministic competitive predator-prey model with Holling type II
 51 which has been used in earlier works for various perspectives [23–26]. The model equations
 52 are defined below

$$53 \quad \frac{du}{dt} = \rho u \left(1 - \frac{u}{k}\right) - \frac{\alpha uv}{1 + \beta u} \quad (1)$$

$$54 \quad \frac{dv}{dt} = -\sigma v + \frac{\gamma uv}{1 + \beta u} - \lambda v^2 \quad (2)$$

$$55 \quad u_0 = u(0), v_0 = v(0) \quad (3)$$

56 where u and v are the prey and predator populations, respectively. Recently, Jawdat et
 57 al. [26], studied system (1)-(3) with small immigration in the prey population. The model's
 58 stability and coexistence and extinction conditions between prey and predator populations
 59 were investigated. However, the effects of small immigration for both populations were
 not included. Hence, in this paper, we aim to study the stochastic counterpart of system

60 (1)-(3), more precisely, we consider small random immigration on both prey and predator
61 populations by means of the following system:

$$\begin{cases} du = \left[\rho u \left(1 - \frac{u}{k} \right) - \frac{\alpha uv}{1 + \beta u} \right] dt + \delta u dB_1(t) & (4) \\ dv = \left[-\sigma v + \frac{\gamma uv}{1 + \beta u} - \lambda v^2 \right] dt + \epsilon v dB_2(t) & (5) \\ u_0 = u(0), \quad v_0 = v(0), & (6) \end{cases}$$

62 In general, the mathematical model (4)-(6) represents prey-predator interactions, where
63 the term $\rho u \left(1 - \frac{u}{k} \right)$ is the logistic growth rate for the prey population, $\frac{\alpha uv}{1 + \beta u}$ is the func-
64 tional response (which presents the prey consumption rate by the predator population),
65 the term $-\sigma v$ is the loss rate for the predator population, the term $\frac{\gamma uv}{1 + \beta u}$ is the response
66 of predator population density through consumption of the prey population, λv^2 is the
67 effect of intraspecific competition for predator population. $\delta u dB_1(t)$ and $\epsilon v dB_2(t)$ refer to
68 low-intensity stochastic processes that represent small random immigration in the popu-
69 lations (prey and predator). For more detailed interpretation on the parameters, we have
70 the following:

- 71 • ρ is the rate of growth in the prey population.
- 72 • k is the carrying capacity of the model.
- 73 • α is the rate of catch prey population by the predator.
- 74 • β is the handling rate of the predator.
- 75 • σ is the natural death rate in the predator population.
- 76 • γ is the effectiveness of transforming ate up prey into predator birth.
- 77 • λ is the intraspecific competition between predators.
- 78 • δdB_1 and ϵdB_2 are the small random immigration in the prey and predator popula-
79 tions, respectively.

80 The stochastic processes $B_1(t)$ and $B_2(t)$ are Brownian motions with the following prop-
81 erties:

- 82 • $B_1(0) = B_2(0) = 0$.
- 83 • $B_1(t)$ and $B_2(t)$ are continuous functions with probability 1, for all $t \in [0, T]$.
- 84 • $B_1(t)$ and $B_2(t)$ have stationary independent increments.
- 85 • $B_1(t + s) - B_1(t)$ and $B_2(t + s) - B_2(t)$ are normally distributed with zero mean and
86 variance t .

3. Model Boundedness

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88 As it is one of main validations of the model, in this section, we use some probabilistic
 89 and analytic in inequalities to obtain the boundedness of the model. System (4)-(6) could
 90 be written as:

$$dX = M(t, X)dt + N(t, X)dB \tag{7}$$

$$X_0 = X(0) \tag{8}$$

91 such that

$$M : [0, T] \times \mathbb{R}^+ \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$$

$$N : [0, T] \times \mathbb{R}^+ \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$$

$M(t, X)$ and $N(t, X)$ are given by

$$M(t, X) = \begin{bmatrix} \rho u \left(1 - \frac{u}{k}\right) - \frac{\alpha uv}{1 + \beta u} \\ -\sigma v + \frac{\gamma uv}{1 + \beta u} - \lambda v^2 \end{bmatrix}, \quad N(t, X) = \begin{bmatrix} \delta u \\ \epsilon v \end{bmatrix} \quad X = \begin{bmatrix} u \\ v \end{bmatrix} \quad dB(t) = \begin{bmatrix} dB_1(t) \\ dB_2(t) \end{bmatrix}$$

92 **Lemma 1.** For some positive constant C , the functions $M(t, X)$ and $N(t, X)$ in (7) satisfy
 93 the following linear growth condition

$$\mathbb{E}\|M(t, X)\|^2 + \mathbb{E}\|N(t, X)\|^2 \leq C(1 + \mathbb{E}\|X\|^2) \tag{9}$$

94 *Proof.* From (4) and the fact that ρ, k, α and β are positive, one sees that

$$u \leq u_0 + \rho \int_0^t u ds + \delta \int_0^t u dB_1(s).$$

95 Taking the expectation on both sides and using Itô's isometry, we have

$$\mathbb{E}|u| \leq u_0 + \rho \mathbb{E} \int_0^t |u| ds.$$

96 From Grownall's inequality, one gets

$$\mathbb{E}|u| \leq u_0 e^{\rho t} \tag{10}$$

97 Now,

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{E}\|M(t, X)\|^2 &= \mathbb{E}\left\| \rho u \left(1 - \frac{u}{k}\right) - \frac{\alpha uv}{1 + \beta u} \right\|^2 \\ &\quad + \mathbb{E}\left\| -\sigma v + \frac{\gamma uv}{1 + \beta u} - \lambda v^2 \right\|^2 \\ &\leq \rho^2 \mathbb{E}\|u\|^2 + \gamma^2 \mathbb{E}\|u\|^2 + \|v\|^2 \\ &\leq C \mathbb{E}\|u\|^2 (1 + \|v\|^2) \end{aligned} \tag{11}$$

98 From (10) and (11) we have

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{E}\|M(t, X)\|^2 &\leq C(1 + \|v\|^2) \\ &\leq C(1 + \|u\|^2 + \|v\|^2) \\ &\leq C(1 + \|X\|^2). \end{aligned} \tag{12}$$

99 It is easy to see that

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{E}\|N(t, X)\|^2 &= \delta^2\mathbb{E}\|u\|^2 + \epsilon^2\mathbb{E}\|v\|^2 \\ &\leq C(1 + \|u\|^2 + \|v\|^2) \\ &\leq C(1 + \|X\|^2). \end{aligned} \tag{13}$$

100 From (12) and (13) we conclude the proof.

101 **Theorem 1.** For all $p > 1$ and some $C > 0$, the following condition is true

$$\mathbb{E} \sup_{0 \leq t \leq T} \|X\|^p \leq C. \tag{14}$$

102 *Proof.* From (7), we have

$$X = X_0 + \int_0^t M(t, X)ds + \int_0^t N(t, X)dB(t), \tag{15}$$

103 it is known that see for example [27] for $\alpha_k \in \mathbb{R}$, $r \in [0, \infty)$ and $1 \leq p < \infty$, that

$$\sum_{i=1}^r \alpha_i^p \leq \left(\sum_{i=1}^r \alpha_i \right)^p \leq r^{p-1} \sum_{i=1}^r \alpha_i^p. \tag{16}$$

104 From (16), the sup over $[0, T]$ and the expectation we have the following:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{E} \sup_{0 \leq t \leq T} \|X\|^q &\leq 3^{q-1} \left(|X_0|^q + \mathbb{E} \sup_{0 \leq t \leq T} \left| \int_0^t M(t, X)dt \right|^q \right. \\ &\quad \left. + \mathbb{E} \sup_{0 \leq t \leq T} \left| \int_0^t N(t, X)dB(t) \right|^q \right). \end{aligned} \tag{17}$$

Using Hölder inequality for

$$\frac{1}{q} + \frac{1}{\frac{q}{q-1}} = 1,$$

105 we get

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{E} \sup_{0 \leq t \leq T} \left| \int_0^t M(t, X)dt \right|^q &\leq \mathbb{E} \left| \int_0^T M(t, X)dt \right|^q \\ &\leq \mathbb{E} \left(\left| \int_0^T M(t, X)dt \right|^q \right)^{q \times \frac{1}{q}} \times \left(\int_0^T (1)^{\frac{q}{q-1}} dt \right)^{q \times \frac{q-1}{q}} \\ &\leq T^{q-1} \mathbb{E} \left(\left| \int_0^T M(t, X)dt \right|^q \right). \end{aligned} \tag{18}$$

106 From Lemma 1 and (16) we have

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{E} \int_0^T (|M(t, X)|^2)^{\frac{q}{2}} dt &\leq \mathbb{E} C^{\frac{q}{2}} \int_0^T (1 + \|X\|^2)^{\frac{q}{2}} dt \\ &\leq C^{\frac{q}{2}} 2^{\frac{q}{2}-1} \mathbb{E} \int_0^T (1 + \|X\|^q) dt \\ &\leq C^{\frac{q}{2}} 2^{\frac{q}{2}-1} \left(T + \mathbb{E} \int_0^T \|X\|^q dt \right). \end{aligned} \tag{19}$$

107 From the inequality (18) and (19), we have

$$\mathbb{E} \sup_{0 \leq t \leq T} \left| \int_0^t M(t, X) dt \right|^q \leq \left[C^{\frac{q}{2}} 2^{\frac{q}{2}-1} T^q + C^{\frac{q}{2}} 2^{\frac{q}{2}-1} T^{q-1} \right] \mathbb{E} \int_0^T \|X\|^q dt. \tag{20}$$

108 To deal with the stochastic term, we employ Burkholder-Davis-Gundyand Hölder inequalities and it yields

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{E} \sup_{0 \leq t \leq T} \left| \int_0^t N(t, X) dB(s) \right|^q &\leq C_B \mathbb{E} \left(\int_0^T |N(t, X)|^2 dt \right)^{\frac{q}{2}} \\ &C_B \left(\mathbb{E} \int_0^T |N(t, X)|^q dt \right) \left(\int_0^T (1)^{\frac{q}{q-2}} dt \right)^{\frac{q}{2} \times \frac{q-2}{q}} \\ &\leq C_B T^{\frac{q-2}{2}} \mathbb{E} \int_0^T |N(t, X)|^q dt. \end{aligned} \tag{21}$$

110 Again we use Lemma 1 and inequality (16) for $p = \frac{q}{2}$ to get

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{E} \sup_{0 \leq t \leq T} \left| \int_0^t N(s, X) ds \right| &\leq C_B T^{\frac{q-2}{2}} C^{\frac{q}{2}} 2^{\frac{q}{2}-1} \mathbb{E} \int_0^T (1 + \|X\|^q) dt \\ &\leq C_B T^{\frac{q-2}{2}} C^{\frac{q}{2}} 2^{\frac{q}{2}-1} \left[T + \mathbb{E} \int_0^T \|X\|^q dt \right] \\ &\leq C_B T^{\frac{q}{2}} C^{\frac{q}{2}} 2^{\frac{q}{2}-1} + C_B T^{\frac{q-2}{2}} C^{\frac{q}{2}} 2^{\frac{q}{2}-1} \mathbb{E} \int_0^T \|X\|^q dt. \end{aligned} \tag{22}$$

111 From (17), (21) and (22) one uses Gronwall’s inequality to complete the proof.

112 **4. Stochastic mean square stability**

113 Here, we investigate the stochastic mean square stability for the system (4)-(6) around
 114 the interior equilibrium point of the deterministic version (1)-(3). Note that our system
 115 has three non-negative equilibrium points:

- 116 1. $P_0 = (0, 0)$

117 2. $P_1 = (k, 0)$

118 3. $P^* = (u^*, v^*)$, where (u^*, v^*) are the real positive roots of the following system:

$$\begin{cases} \rho u^* \left(1 - \frac{u^*}{k}\right) - \frac{\alpha u^* v^*}{1 + \beta u^*} = 0, & (23) \\ -\sigma v^* + \frac{\gamma u^* v^*}{1 + \beta u^*} - \lambda v^{*2} = 0. & (24) \end{cases}$$

119 The stochastic mean square stability will be studied around the interior positive equilib-
 120 rium point (u^*, v^*) , we have

$$\begin{cases} du = \left(\rho u \left(1 - \frac{u}{k}\right) - \frac{\alpha uv}{1 + \beta u} \right) dt + \delta(u - u^*)dB_1, & (25) \\ dv = \left(-\sigma v + \frac{\gamma uv}{1 + \beta u} \right) dt - \lambda v^2 + \epsilon(v - v^*)dW_2. & (26) \end{cases}$$

$$u_0 = u(0), \quad v_0 = v(0). \tag{27}$$

121 By setting $x = u - u^*$ and $y = v - v^*$, we transform the model into:

$$dX = f(t, X)dt + g(t, X)dB, \tag{28}$$

122 where

$$X = \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix},$$

123

$$f(t, X) = \begin{bmatrix} u^* \frac{\partial k_1(u^*, u^*)}{\partial u} + k_1 & u^* \frac{\partial k_1(u^*, u^*)}{\partial v} \\ v^* \frac{\partial k_2(u^*, v^*)}{\partial u} & v^* \frac{\partial k_2(u^*, v^*)}{\partial v} + k_2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix},$$

124 where

$$k_1 = \rho \left(1 - \frac{u}{k}\right) - \frac{\alpha v}{1 + \beta u},$$

$$k_2 = -\sigma + \frac{\gamma u}{1 + \beta u} \lambda v.$$

125 This gives

$$f(t, X) = \begin{bmatrix} u^* \left(\frac{-\rho}{k} + \frac{\alpha \beta v^*}{(1 + \beta u)^2} \right) & u^* \left(\frac{-\alpha}{1 + \beta u^*} \right) \\ v^* \left(\frac{(1 + \beta u^*)\gamma - \gamma \beta u^*}{(1 + \beta u^*)^2} \right) & -\lambda v^* \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix},$$

126 and

$$g(t, X) = \begin{bmatrix} \delta x & 0 \\ 0 & \epsilon y \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix}.$$

127 For strictly positive t_0 , we define the cylindrical domain $D = \mathbb{R}^2 \times [t_0, \infty)$. Hence, we
 128 introduce the function $\varphi \in C^2(D)$ as $\varphi : D \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^+$. As in [28] the generator of Markov

129 process for equation (28) is given by

$$L\varphi(t, X) = \frac{\partial\varphi(t, X)}{\partial t} + f^T(t, X) \frac{\partial\varphi(t, X)}{\partial X} + \frac{1}{2} \text{Trace} \left[g^T(t, X) \frac{\partial^2\varphi(t, X)}{\partial X^2} g(t, X) \right]. \tag{29}$$

130 The following theorem states the mean-square stability for our system (28)

131 **Theorem 2.** Assume that

$$\frac{\rho u^*}{k} > \frac{\alpha\beta u^* v^*}{(1 + \beta u^*)^2} + \frac{\delta^2}{2}, \tag{30}$$

$$\lambda v^* > \frac{\epsilon^2}{2}, \tag{31}$$

132 then, system (23)-(27) is mean-square asymptotically stable.

133 *Proof.* Let

$$\varphi(t, X) = \frac{1}{2} (a_1 x^2 + a_2 y^2),$$

134 be the Markovian process generator, where $a_i (i = 1, 2)$ are some parameters to be determined later. Then we have the following

$$\frac{\partial\varphi}{\partial t} = 0, \quad \frac{\partial\varphi}{\partial X} = (a_1 x, a_2 y), \tag{32}$$

136

$$f^t(t, X) \frac{\partial\varphi}{\partial X} = a_1 u^2 \left(\frac{-\rho}{k} + \frac{\alpha\beta v^*}{(1 + \beta u^*)^2} \right) - \frac{a_1 \alpha u^*}{1 + \beta u^*} uv + \frac{a_2 \alpha v^*}{(1 + \beta u^*)^2} uv - a_2 \lambda v^* v^*, \tag{33}$$

137 and

$$\frac{1}{2} \text{Trace} \left[g^T(t, X) \frac{\partial^2\varphi(t, X)}{\partial X^2} g(t, X) \right] = \frac{1}{2} a_1 u^2 + \frac{1}{2} a_2 v^2 \epsilon^2. \tag{34}$$

138 Substituting (32)-(34) into (29), we get

$$\begin{aligned} L(\varphi(t, X)) &= u^* \left(\frac{-\rho}{k} + \frac{\alpha\beta v^*}{(1 + \beta u^*)^2} \right) u^2 a_1 - \frac{\alpha u^*}{1 + \beta u^*} u v a_1 \\ &+ \frac{\alpha v^*}{(1 + \beta u^*)^2} u v a_2 - \lambda v^* v^* a_2 + \frac{1}{2} a_1 \delta^2 u^2 + \frac{1}{2} a_2 \epsilon^2 v^2 \\ &= \left(\frac{-\rho}{k} u^* - \frac{\alpha\beta u^* v^*}{(1 + \beta u^*)^2} - \frac{1}{2} \delta^2 \right) a_1 u^2 \\ &- \left(\lambda v^* - \frac{1}{2} \epsilon^2 \right) a_2 v^2 - \left(\frac{\alpha u^*}{1 + \beta u^*} a_1 - \frac{\alpha v^*}{(1 + \beta u^*)^2} a_2 \right) uv. \end{aligned} \tag{35}$$

139 Let $\alpha u^* a_1 = \frac{\gamma v^*}{1 + \beta u^*} a_2$, this implies

$$L(\varphi(t, X)) = \left(\frac{-\rho u^*}{k} - \frac{\alpha \beta u^* v^*}{(1 + \beta u^*)^2} - \frac{1}{2} \delta^2 \right) a_1 u^2 - \left(\lambda v^* - \frac{1}{2} \epsilon^2 \right) a_2 v^2. \quad (36)$$

140 For $L(\varphi(t, X)) < 0$, then

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{-\rho u^*}{k} &> \frac{\alpha \beta u^* v^*}{(1 + \beta u^*)^2} + \frac{1}{2} \delta^2, \\ \lambda v^* &> \frac{1}{2} \epsilon^2. \end{aligned}$$

141 This completes the proof.

142 **Corollary 1.** *When conditions (30) and (31) are not satisfied, then the system (4)-(6) is*
143 *unstable.*

144 **Remark 1.** *The main factors that affect the system's stability are the rate of growth in the*
145 *prey population, the carrying capacity of the model, the rate of catching prey population by*
146 *the predator, the handling rate of the predator, intraspecific competition between predators,*
147 *and the small random immigration in the prey and predator populations.*

148 5. Persistence and extinction

149 In this section, we will study the persistence for both prey and predator populations
150 and the extinction for the prey population.

151 5.1. Persistence of the prey population

152 The following lemma was collected from [29].

Lemma 2.

$$\limsup_{t \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{t} \ln u \leq 0 \quad a.s.. \quad (37)$$

153 **Theorem 3.** *The prey population u admits weak persistence in the average with probability*
154 *almost if*

$$\rho - \frac{\delta^2}{2} > 0.$$

155 *Proof.* To prove this, we need to show that $u^l > a > 0$, where

$$u^l := \limsup_{t \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{t} \int_0^t u ds, \quad (38)$$

156 we prove this by contradiction. Assume that ϱ_1 be small enough such that

$$-\sigma - \frac{1}{2} \epsilon^2 + \gamma \varrho_1 < 0, \quad (39)$$

157 and

$$\rho - \frac{1}{2}\delta^2 - \frac{\rho}{k}\varrho_1 > 0,$$

158 for each $\varrho_1 > 0$, there exists a solution (\hat{u}, \hat{v}) where

$$P\{u^l < \varrho_1\}. \tag{40}$$

159 Therefore

$$d \ln \hat{v} \leq [-\sigma - \frac{\epsilon^2}{2} + \gamma \hat{u}]dt + \epsilon dB_2.$$

160 Once again, we apply the integration over $(0, t)$ and divide by t , we get

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\ln \hat{v} - \ln \hat{v}_0}{t} &\leq \frac{1}{t} \int_0^t \left(-\sigma - \frac{\epsilon^2}{2}\right) ds + \frac{1}{t} \int_0^t \gamma \hat{u} ds + \frac{1}{t} \int_0^t \epsilon dB_2(s), \\ &= -\sigma - \frac{\epsilon^2}{2} + \frac{\gamma}{t} \int_0^t \hat{u} ds + \frac{1}{t} \int_0^t \epsilon dB_2(s). \end{aligned} \tag{41}$$

161 As before, from the strong law of large number, we get

$$\limsup_{t \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\ln \hat{v}}{t} \leq -\sigma - \frac{\epsilon^2}{2} + \gamma \varrho_1 < 0, \tag{42}$$

162 this implies that $\lim \hat{v} = 0$. Therefore,

$$d \ln(\hat{u}) = \left[\rho - \frac{\rho}{k} \hat{u} - \frac{\alpha \hat{u} \hat{v}}{1 + \beta \hat{u}} - \frac{1}{2} \delta^2 \right] dt + \delta dB_1(t). \tag{43}$$

163 Integration followed by division by t , give

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\ln \hat{u} - \ln \hat{u}_0}{t} &= \frac{1}{t} \int_0^t \left(\rho - \frac{1}{2} \delta^2\right) ds - \frac{\rho}{kt} \int_0^t \hat{u} ds - \frac{\alpha}{t} \int_0^t \frac{\hat{u} \hat{v}}{1 + \beta \hat{u}} ds + \frac{\delta}{t} \int_0^t dB_1(s), \\ &= \rho - \frac{1}{2} \delta^2 - \frac{\rho}{kt} \int_0^t \hat{u} ds - \frac{\alpha}{t} \int_0^t \frac{\hat{u} \hat{v}}{1 + \beta \hat{u}} ds + \frac{\delta}{t} \int_0^t dB_1(s). \end{aligned}$$

164 Taking the $\limsup_{t \rightarrow \infty}$ in both sides with (39), (40) and the law of large number, we
165 obtain

$$\limsup \frac{1}{t} \ln \hat{u} = \rho - \frac{\delta^2}{2} - \frac{\rho}{k} \varrho_1 > 0. \tag{44}$$

166 This contradicts the lemma (2). Therefore, $u^l > 0$. This completes the proof.

167 5.2. Extinction of the prey population

168 **Theorem 4.** *The prey population u goes to extinct with probability almost surely when*

$$\rho - \frac{\delta^2}{2} \leq 0. \tag{45}$$

169 *Proof.* Let us construct the following comparison system;

$$dU \leq U \left(\rho - \frac{\rho U}{k} \right) dt + \delta U dB_1(t),$$

$$U_0 = u_0.$$

170 From Itô's Lemma for the function $\varphi(t, U) = \ln U$, we get

$$d \ln U = \left[\rho - \frac{\rho U}{k} - \frac{1}{2} \delta^2 \right] dt + \delta dB_1(t). \tag{46}$$

171 Applying integration on the interval $(0, t)$ followed by division by t to get

$$\frac{\ln U - \ln u_0}{t} = \frac{1}{t} \int_0^t \left(\rho - \frac{\rho u}{k} - \frac{1}{2} \delta^2 \right) ds + \frac{1}{t} \int_0^t \delta dB_1(s). \tag{47}$$

172 Let us note that from the strong law of large number, one gets

$$\limsup_{t \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{t} \int_0^t \delta dB_1(s) = 0, \tag{48}$$

173 and this implies that

$$\limsup_{t \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\ln U}{t} \leq \rho - \frac{1}{2} \delta^2 < 0 \quad a.s. \tag{49}$$

174 Using the comparison theorem for SDEs, we have

$$\limsup_{t \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{t} \ln u < 0,$$

175 thus

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} u = 0.$$

176 5.3. Extinction for the predator population

177 **Theorem 5.** *If*

$$\gamma k \left(\rho - \frac{\delta^2}{2} \right) < \rho \left(\delta + \frac{\epsilon^2}{2} \right), \tag{50}$$

178 *then the predator population goes to extinct with probability almost surely.*

179 *Proof.* Let us consider the following two cases

180 (i) $\rho - \frac{\delta^2}{2} < 0$. It is clear that this will imply $u^l < 0$. As in (41), we have

$$\frac{\ln v - \ln v_0}{t} \leq -\sigma - \frac{\epsilon^2}{2} + \frac{\gamma}{t} \int_0^t u ds + \frac{\epsilon B_2(t)}{t}. \tag{51}$$

181 From this and the fact that $u^l < 0$, then

$$\limsup_{t \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\ln v}{t} \leq -\sigma - \frac{\epsilon^2}{2} < 0,$$

182 then $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} v = 0$, which means the extinction of predator population $V(t)$.

183 (ii) $\rho - \frac{\delta^2}{2} > 0$. In this case, one can always $\varrho_2 > 0$ at a time T_1 such that for $t > T_1$
 184 and has $\frac{B_1(t)}{t} < \varrho_2$. Thus, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \ln u - \ln u_0 &\leq \int_0^t \left(\rho - \frac{\delta^2}{2} \right) ds - \frac{\rho}{k} \int_0^t u ds + \delta B_1(t). \\ &\leq \left(\rho - \frac{\delta^2}{2} + \varrho_2 \right) t - \frac{\rho}{k} \int_0^t u ds. \end{aligned}$$

From [30, Lemma 2.2], one obtains

$$u^t \leq \frac{k \left(\rho - \frac{\delta^2}{2} + \varrho_2 \right)}{\rho}$$

Now, since $\varrho_2 \rightarrow 0$ as $t \rightarrow \infty$, then we have

$$u^t \leq \frac{k \left(\rho - \frac{\delta^2}{2} \right)}{\rho}.$$

185 From (17), one sees that

$$\begin{aligned} \limsup_{t \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{t} \ln v &\leq -\sigma - \frac{\epsilon^2}{2} + \gamma u^t \\ &\leq -\sigma - \frac{\epsilon^2}{2} + \frac{k \left(\rho - \frac{\delta^2}{2} \right)}{\rho} < 0. \end{aligned}$$

186 Thus $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} v = 0$.

187 **Corollary 2.** *The persistence of the predator population is obtained by reversing the con-*
 188 *dition (50).*

189 6. Numerical Simulations and discussion

To validate our theoretical results presented in the previous sections, we performed several numerical simulations in this section. We employ the “StochasticRungeKuttaS-calarNoise” command in MATHEMATICA 11.1 to perform numerical simulations, as described on the Wolfram website. The initial populations values are chosen to be

$$u_0 = 0.9, v_0 = 0.8.$$

190 And the set of parameters are chosen such that the stability and coexistence between prey
 191 and predator populations hold for the deterministic model (1)-(3) in order to check the
 192 effect of the random immigration of the system as follows:

$$\rho = 0.4, k = 2.0, \alpha = 0.75, \beta = 0.5, \sigma = 0.2, \gamma = 0.6, \lambda = 0.1. \quad (52)$$

193 Since the model equations in (4)-(6) are taken to be dimensionless, the parameters were
 194 freely chosen. With these selections, our persistence equilibrium point is $(u^*, v^*) \approx$
 195 $(0.5254, 0.4965)$. Now, to study the impact of small random immigration on the prey-
 196 predator populations (u, v) , several considerations of δ and ϵ were taken into account
 197 $(\delta = 0, \epsilon = 0)$, $(\delta = 0.05, \epsilon = 0.05)$, $(\delta = 0.4, \epsilon = 0.4)$, $(\delta = 0.4, \epsilon = 1.2)$ and
 198 $(\delta = 1.0, \epsilon = 0.1)$.

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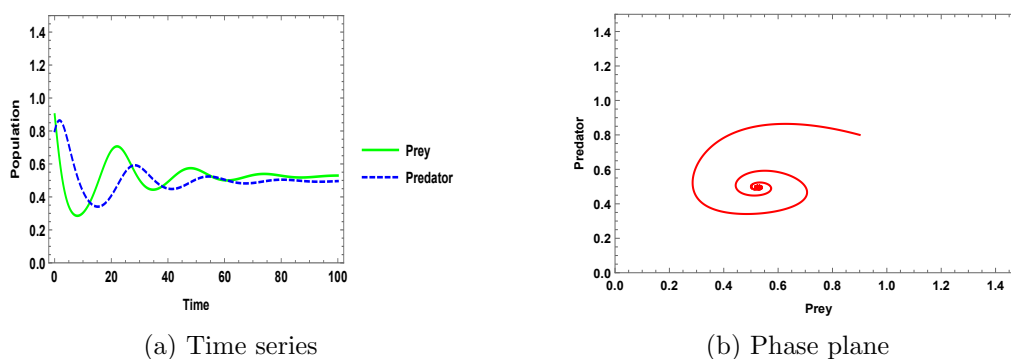


Figure 1: Dynamical behaviour for the deterministic model (1)-(3) with initial values $(u_0 = 0.9, v_0 = 0.8.)$ and parameters values are given in (52).

200 Figure1 represents the dynamical behavior of the deterministic model (1)-(3) at the
 201 equilibrium point $(u^*, v^*) \approx (0.5254, 0.4965)$, in which the system is stable and persist.
 202 For more detailed analysis of this model, we refer to [25].

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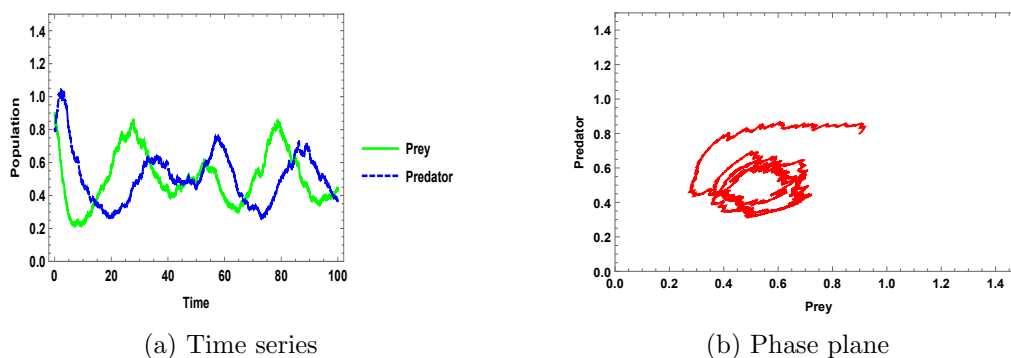


Figure 2: Dynamical behaviour for the stochastic model (4)-(6) with initial values $(u_0 = 0.9, v_0 = 0.8.)$, $(\delta = 0.05, \epsilon = 0.05)$ and parameters values are given in (52).

204 Figure 2 represents the stochastic model (4)-(6) with $(\delta = 0.05, \epsilon = 0.05)$, in which the
 205 calculations give the following:

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- $\frac{\rho u^*}{k} - \frac{\alpha \beta u^* v^*}{(1 + B u^*)^2} - \frac{\delta^2}{2} \approx 0.0425 > 0.$

- 207 • $\lambda v^* - \frac{\epsilon^2}{2} \approx 0.0484 > 0.$
- 208 • $\rho - \frac{\delta^2}{2} \approx 0.3988 > 0.$
- 209 • $\gamma k \left(\rho - \frac{\delta^2}{2} \right) - \rho \left(\delta + \frac{\epsilon^2}{2} \right) \approx 0.4478 > 0.$

210 Thus, the conditions of Theorems 2 and 3 are satisfied, which means the system (4)-(6)
 211 is stochastically stable and the prey population u is weakly persistence in average with
 212 probability almost surely and the predator population v achieved the persistence through
 213 simulation under the same condition.

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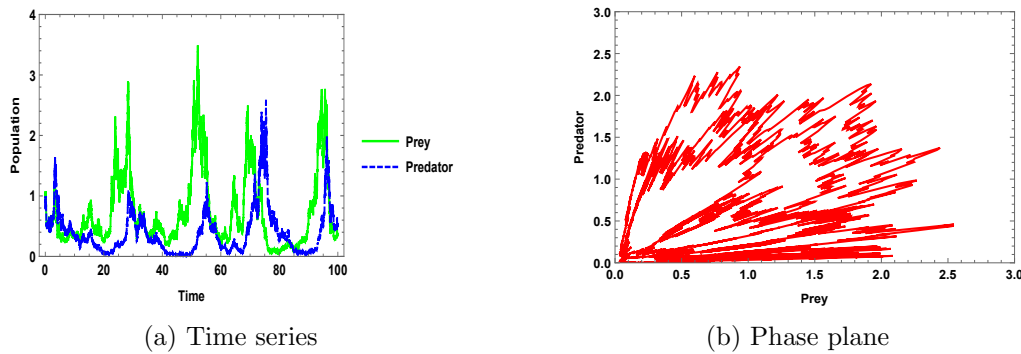


Figure 3: Dynamical behaviour for the stochastic model (4)-(6) with initial values ($u_0 = 0.9, v_0 = 0.8.$), ($\delta = 0.4, \epsilon = 0.4$) and parameters values are given in (52).

215 Figure 3 indicates the stochastic model (4)-(6) with ($\delta = 0.4, \epsilon = 0.4$), in which the
 216 calculations give the following:

- 217 • $\frac{\rho u^*}{k} - \frac{\alpha \beta u^* v^*}{(1 + B u^*)^2} - \frac{\delta^2}{2} \approx -0.0363 < 0.$
- 218 • $\lambda v^* - \frac{\epsilon^2}{2} \approx 0 - 0.0305 < 0.$
- 219 • $\rho - \frac{\delta^2}{2} \approx 0.32 > 0.$
- 220 • $\gamma k \left(\rho - \frac{\delta^2}{2} \right) - \rho \left(\delta + \frac{\epsilon^2}{2} \right) \approx 0.096 > 0.$

221 From the above calculations, one can see that the conditions of Theorem 2 are not met,
 222 and therefore the system is unstable. The condition of Theorem 3 is satisfied, therefore
 223 the prey population is weakly persistent in average with probability almost surely. In
 224 the meanwhile, condition of Theorem 5 does not satisfied, which means that the predator
 225 population also persist. However, one can see that the destabilization of the system has
 226 the potential to affect its persistence.

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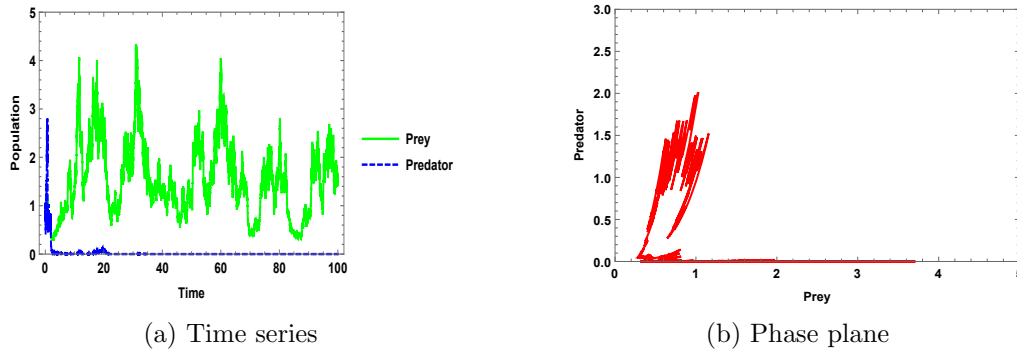


Figure 4: Dynamical behaviour for the stochastic model (4)-(6) with initial values $(u_0 = 0.9, v_0 = 0.8.)$, $(\delta = 0.4, \epsilon = 1.2)$ and parameters values are given in (52).

228 Figure 4 represents the stochastic model (4)-(6) with $(\delta = 0.4, \epsilon = 1.2)$, in which the
 229 calculations shows the following:

- 230 • $\frac{\rho u^*}{k} - \frac{\alpha \beta u^* v^*}{(1 + B u^*)^2} - \frac{\delta^2}{2} \approx -0.0363 < 0.$
- 231 • $\lambda v^* - \frac{\epsilon^2}{2} \approx 0 - 0.6704 < 0.$
- 232 • $\rho - \frac{\delta^2}{2} \approx 0.32 > 0.$
- 233 • $\gamma k \left(\rho - \frac{\delta^2}{2} \right) - \rho \left(\delta + \frac{\epsilon^2}{2} \right) \approx -0.288 < 0.$

234 From the above calculations, one can see that the conditions of the mean square stochastic
 235 stability Theorem 2 are not satisfied, so the system is unstable. Also, conditions of
 236 Theorems 3 and 5 are satisfied, which imply that the prey population u is weakly persist
 237 in average, while the predator population v go to extinct.

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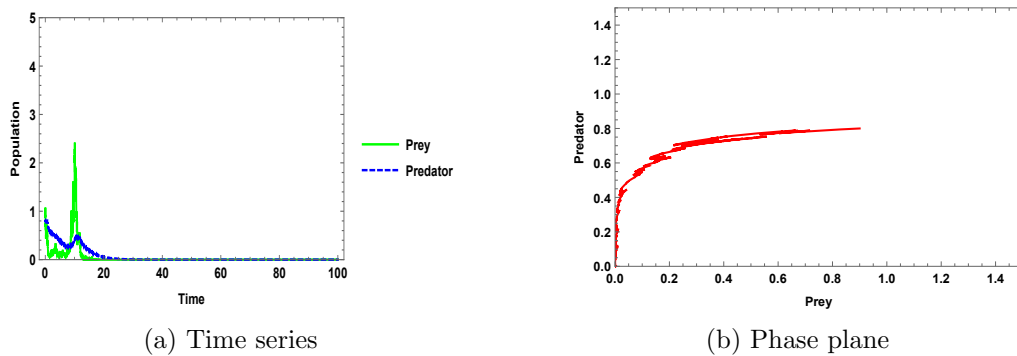


Figure 5: Dynamical behaviour for the stochastic model (4)-(6) with initial values $(u_0 = 0.9, v_0 = 0.8.)$, $(\delta = 1.0, \epsilon = 0.1)$ and parameters values are given in (52).

239 Figure 5 represents the stochastic model (4)-(6) with $(\delta = 1.0, \epsilon = 0.1)$, in which the
 240 calculations shows the following:

- 241 • $\frac{\rho u^*}{k} - \frac{\alpha \beta u^* v^*}{(1 + B u^*)^2} - \frac{\delta^2}{2} \approx -0.4563 < 0.$
- 242 • $\lambda v^* - \frac{\epsilon^2}{2} \approx 00.0447 > 0.$
- 243 • $\rho - \frac{\delta^2}{2} \approx -0.1 < 0.$
- 244 • $\gamma k \left(\rho - \frac{\delta^2}{2} \right) - \rho \left(\delta + \frac{\epsilon^2}{2} \right) \approx -0.723 < 0.$

245 Here, the calculations show that the conditions of Theorems 2 and 3 are not satisfied, while
 246 the condition of Theorem 5 is satisfied, which means that neither stability nor persistence
 247 of the stochastic system took place, but the system collapsed for both prey and predator
 248 populations. In this figure, high prey immigration results in species extinction, which
 249 contradicts the immigration argument. This phenomenon illustrates a case of destabiliza-
 250 tion within the ecological system due to the stochastic intensity of immigration, which
 251 prevents the system from self-regulating. In practice, this is referred to as the "paradox
 252 of enrichment".

253 7. Conclusion

254 In this paper, we investigated the effects of small random immigration in competitive
 255 predator- prey model with Holling type II. We obtained boundedness of the model's solu-
 256 tion using both probabilistic and analytics inequalities. The conditions of stochastic mean
 257 square stability were derived (Theorem 2 and Corollary 1). A series of results on persis-
 258 tence and extinction for both prey and predator populations was obtained (Theorems 3 -
 259 5 and Corollary 2). All theoretical results were numerically verified in Figures 1-5. From
 260 this work, we conclude the following:

- 261 • For fixed values of the parameters set (52), the stochastic stability of the model de-
 262 pends on the intensities of random immigration. When random immigration is small
 263 enough, the system becomes stochastically stable. However, as random immigration
 264 increases, the system is destabilized with high oscillations.
- 265 • The persistence of the prey population u clearly affected by δ ; where δ was small
 266 enough, that is, $\rho - \frac{\delta^2}{2}$, the prey population u would persist with probability almost
 267 surely. As in condition (50) when ϵ was large enough, the predator population will
 268 extinct with probability almost surely. However, conditions (45) and (50) together
 269 emphasize that when δ was large enough (the immigration on the prey population
 270 was large enough), the whole system would extinct. This case is demonstrated in
 271 Figure 5.

272 To the best of the authors' knowledge, the first study to examine a competitive stochastic
 273 predator-prey model under the influence of small random immigration was [22], where

274 the analysis focused on stochastic stability using a simpler model with a Holling type I
275 functional response. In this paper, we present a comprehensive study of a more general
276 and realistic competitive stochastic predator-prey model incorporating a Holling type II
277 functional response, also subject to small random immigration. We investigate stochastic
278 mean square stability and establish conditions for persistence and extinction of the species.
279 In addition, our theoretical results are reinforced through numerical simulations, which
280 illustrate and validate the analytical findings.

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