

Looking at the equilibrium points, we see that there is no ^{eq.} position where $X \neq 0, Y \neq 0, Z \neq 0$.
∴ it is not possible for all three populations to coexist in equilibrium. One predator population has to go extinct in equilibrium.

(b). Introducing an extra predator causes either this new predator or the existing predator to become extinct.

For equilibrium positions,

$$\frac{dx}{dt} = \frac{dy}{dt} = \frac{dz}{dt} = 0$$

$$\therefore a_1x - b_1xy - c_1xz = 0 \Rightarrow x=0 \text{ or } a_1 - b_1y - c_1z = 0$$

$$a_2xy - b_2y = 0 \Rightarrow y=0 \text{ or } x = \frac{b_2}{a_2}$$

$$a_3xz - b_3z = 0 \Rightarrow z=0 \text{ or } x = \frac{b_3}{a_3}$$

$\therefore$ possible eq. positions are

$$(0, 0, 0), \left(\frac{b_2}{a_2}, \frac{a_1}{b_1}, 0\right), \left(\frac{b_3}{a_3}, 0, \frac{a_1}{a_1}\right)$$

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$$\frac{dx}{dt} = a_1x - b_1xy - c_1xz$$

$$\frac{dy}{dt} = a_2xy - b_2y$$

$$\frac{dz}{dt} = a_3yz - b_3z$$

$x(t)$:

prey density

$y(t)$:

two predator species

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