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# A Ratio-Dependent Nonlinear Predator-Prey Model With Certain Dynamical Results

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**ABSTRACT** In order to see the dynamics of prey-predator interaction, differential or difference equations are frequently used for modeling of such interactions. In present manuscript, we explore some qualitative aspects of two-dimensional ratio-dependent predator-prey model. Taking into account the non-overlapping generations for class of predator-prey system, a novel consistency preserving scheme is proposed. Our study reveals that the implemented discretization is bifurcation preserving. Some dynamical aspects including local behavior of equilibria, phase-plane analysis and emergence of Hopf bifurcation for continuous predator-prey model are studied. Moreover, existence of biologically feasible fixed points, their local asymptotic behavior and phase-plane classification of interior (positive) fixed point are carried out. Furthermore, bifurcation theory of normal forms is implemented to prove that proposed discrete-time model undergoes Neimark-Sacker bifurcation around its unique positive fixed point. Taking into account the bifurcating and fluctuating behaviour of discrete system, three chaos control strategies are implemented. Numerical simulations are provided to illustrate the theoretical discussion and effectiveness of introduced chaos control methods.

**INDEX TERMS** Prey-predator interaction, stability analysis, Neimark-Sacker bifurcation, chaos control.

## I. INTRODUCTION

In case of continuous-time predator-prey interaction theory, differential equations are frequently used whenever it can be considered that the generation of population overlapped and fluctuate continuously in time. In contrast, when population dynamics cannot be evaluated in terms of continuous functions, a discretization is more effective to develop difference equations for the sake of getting appropriate dynamical results. The pioneer work related to the theory of predator was initiated by Lotka-Volterra model and has much limitation which is extensively perceived. Although, the functional response that indicate the rate of consumption per capita of the predator-prey models in case of system of differential equations which actually represents continuous-time models, is normally interpreted as an emphasizing behavior. Usually, the assumptions are that, predator encounter prey randomly, whereas the functional response depends upon the prosperity of prey population only, but this proposition is not constantly suitable. Thus, it is essential to upraise

the functional response in population dynamics on the slow time scale at which model utilize not on the rapid behavioral time scale. Arditi and Ginzburg in [1] discuss that whenever there is a contrast between these time scales, then functional response relay on the ratio of prey to predator abundances. Moreover in [1] authors also discussed the ratio-dependent form of response function and prey dependent form with important consequences. After several laboratory observations and experimental work, the ratio-dependent theory is strongly acknowledged; see [1]–[3]. Several researchers have analyzed predator-prey models of ratio-dependence and discuss various dynamical investigations; however, these investigations either restrained errors or were only partial [4], [5]. A complete dynamical analysis had not been achieved. Although, the most challenging issue related to ratio-dependent nonlinear predator-prey models is the dynamics study of such models near origin, because such models are undefined at origin. Jost et.al., [6] discussed the analytical solution of a common ratio-dependent model at origin. Moreover, the investigation in [6] reveals that trivial equilibrium can be either saddle point or an attractor for different trajectories [6], [9]. Sarwardi et. al., considered a

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modified ratio-dependent model with delay in predator population and examined stability conditions around biologically feasible equilibria along with bifurcation theory and parametric space [7]. Song and Zou studied a ratio-dependent predator-prey model involving diffusion [8]. Additionally, the stability of positive steady-state, Turing instability, steady state and Hopf bifurcations are examined by implementing normal form on center manifold. It is also shown that the normal form exhibit a chance of pitchfork bifurcation, see [8]. Here, we consider the following continuous-time ratio-dependent predator-prey model which was studied by several authors [6], [9], [10]:

$$\begin{cases} \frac{dx}{dt} = x(1-x) - \frac{axy}{x+y}, \\ \frac{dy}{dt} = -by + \frac{cxy}{x+y}. \end{cases} \quad (1)$$

Thus,  $x$  represents the population density of prey whereas population density of predator is denoted by  $y$ . Furthermore, all parameters  $a, b, c$  are positive and represents; consumption ability, death rate of predator and predator growing ability respectively. The system (1) is ratio-dependent predator-prey model in standard form and studied by various authors [4], [9]. However, Freedam [4] remonstrates that in case of biological models, the discrete-time models would certainly be more efficient and more realistic as compared to its continuous-time counterpart. Also, numerical simulation results of discrete-time models can be easily achieved and stimulate stronger dynamical results than continuous counterpart [4], [11]. Zhang considered a temporal model along with modified Holling-Tanner formalism of a ratio-dependent predator-prey model and acquire some precise existence conditions for non-constant equilibrium which confirming Turing instability [12]. Lajmiri *et al.*, [13] also considered system (1) with harvesting rate. They carried out both stability and bifurcation analysis with analytically and numerically. It is also shown that modified system undergoes various types of bifurcations such as Flod, Cusp, Hopf and Bogdanov-Takens bifurcations [13].

Usually, the most commonly exerted methods are piecewise constant arguments and forward Euler scheme to achieve the desire discrete-time counterparts of continuous-time models. However; these approaches are not dynamically consistent with their continuous counterparts. Jing and Yang [43] and Ushiki [52] proposed and implemented Euler forward difference method to achieve predator-prey system in discretize form and discussed bifurcation and chaos control analysis. In similar fashion, Liu and Xiao [46] considered a Lotka-Volterra model and demonstrated complex dynamics after execution of Euler approximation. For further interesting such analysis of discrete predator-prey models we referred to [33], [11], [35], [36].

Similarly, many other scholars followed by the approach of piecewise constant arguments to obtain a discrete-time predator-prey models. Jiang and Roger [42] whereas Krawcewicz and Rogers [44] applied piecewise constant

arguments method and explore the competitive and cooperative case respectively. Currently, Din [39]–[41] discussed several classes of prey-predator interaction models to explore bifurcation and chaos control study by implementing piecewise constant arguments method. All these investigations ensured that there exists a dynamical inconsistency between both structures of discrete and continuous-time models.

Taking into account the consistency of dynamical characteristics, Liu and Elaydi [45] examined the predator-prey model of the type cooperative and competitive system, and Al-Kahby *et al.* [32] considered some biological systems studied dynamics of these models by applying nonstandard finite difference schemes of Mickens type [31]. In the same way, Roeger and Allen [49], and Roeger [50], [51] analyzed the dynamics of May-Leonard competitive models in discrete versions. Furthermore, Moghadas *et al.* [47] implemented nonstandard numerical scheme to analyze a Gause-type Lotka-Volterra model in generalized form. For more detail related to application of NSFD methods we refer to the study done by authors [34], [37], [38], [48].

In the present manuscript, we perform a discretization of model (1) to attain discrete-time version of continuous counterpart. Keeping in view the dynamical consistency of (1), the following discrete-time model is obtained by applying a nonstandard finite difference scheme (NSFD) of Mickens type [31]:

$$\begin{cases} \frac{x_{n+1} - x_n}{h} = x_n - x_{n+1}x_n - \frac{ax_{n+1}y_n}{x_n + y_n}; \\ \frac{y_{n+1} - y_n}{h} = -by_{n+1} + \frac{cx_n y_n}{x_n + y_n}. \end{cases} \quad (2)$$

Here,  $h$  is the step size, taking unit step size, then system (2) takes the following modified form:

$$\begin{cases} x_{n+1} = \frac{2x_n}{1 + x_n + \frac{ay_n}{x_n + y_n}}; \\ y_{n+1} = \frac{y_n \left(1 + \frac{cx_n}{x_n + y_n}\right)}{1 + b}. \end{cases} \quad (3)$$

However, the summary of this manuscript is organized as follows:

- In section 2, we discussed the dynamics of continuous system (1).
- Section 3 is dedicated to the existence criteria of biologically suitable equilibria of system (3) and their local stability analysis is discussed with topological classification.
- In Section 4 the Neimark-Sacker bifurcation (NSB) around unique positive steady-state is carried out.
- In order to control the bifurcating and fluctuating behavior of the system under consideration, different chaos control strategies are developed in Section 5.
- In Section 6, numerical simulations are carried out in order to justify our mathematical and theoretical investigation. Concluding remarks are given at the end of this manuscript.

**II. DYNAMICAL ANALYSIS OF SYSTEM (1)**

Clearly, system (1) has two equilibria namely boundary equilibrium (1, 0) and  $(\frac{ab+c-ac}{c}, \frac{(c-b)(ab+c-ac)}{bc})$  interior equilibrium.

The Jacobian matrix  $J(1, 0)$  of system (1) about its boundary steady-state (1, 0) is computed as follows:

$$J(1, 0) = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & -a \\ 0 & -b+c \end{bmatrix}.$$

Clearly,  $\lambda_1 = -1 < 0$  and  $\lambda_2 = c - b$  are eigenvalues of  $J(1, 0)$ . Therefore, boundary equilibrium point is a sink if and only if  $c < b$  and it is a saddle (unstable) point if and only if  $c > b$ . On the other hand, the Jacobian matrix of system (1) about its interior (positive) equilibrium point  $P_2 = (\frac{ab+c-ac}{c}, \frac{(c-b)(ab+c-ac)}{bc})$  is computed as follows:

$$J(P_2) = \begin{bmatrix} -1 + a - \frac{ab^2}{c^2} & -\frac{ab^2}{c^2} \\ \frac{(b-c)^2}{c} & \frac{b(b-c)}{c} \end{bmatrix}.$$

Then, simple computation yields that  $\text{Det}(J(P_2)) = \frac{b(c-b)(a(b-c)+c)}{c^2} > 0$  due to positivity conditions of interior equilibrium point. On the other hand,  $\text{Tr}(J(P_2)) = a - 1 - b - \frac{ab^2}{c^2} + \frac{b^2}{c}$ . Taking into account, the Routh–Hurwitz stability criterion we have  $P_2$  is a sink if and only if  $c(ac + b) < c^2(1 + b) + ab^2$ . Moreover, interior equilibrium is unstable if  $c(ac + b) > c^2(1 + b) + ab^2$ . Moreover, system (1) undergoes Hopf bifurcation at its positive equilibrium if the parameters of system (1) belong to the following curve:

$$C_{HB} = \left\{ (a, b, c) \in \mathbb{R}_+^3 : a = \frac{c(c+b(c-b))}{c^2 - b^2}, b < c, a < \frac{c}{c-b} \right\}.$$

Phase-plane classification of interior equilibrium point  $P_2$  is depicted in **Fig. 1** in  $bc$ -plane.

To show the behavior of system (1) for selected parametric values, we take  $a = 1.18$ ,  $b = 0.15$  and  $c = 0.6$ . For these parametric values, the interior equilibrium point of system (1) is asymptotically stable and corresponding plots of system (1) are depicted in **Fig. 2 (a), (b)** and **(c)**.

Moreover, for  $b = 0.15$  and  $c = 0.6$ , system (1) undergoes Hopf bifurcation as  $a$  varies in a small neighborhood of  $a_0$  given by:

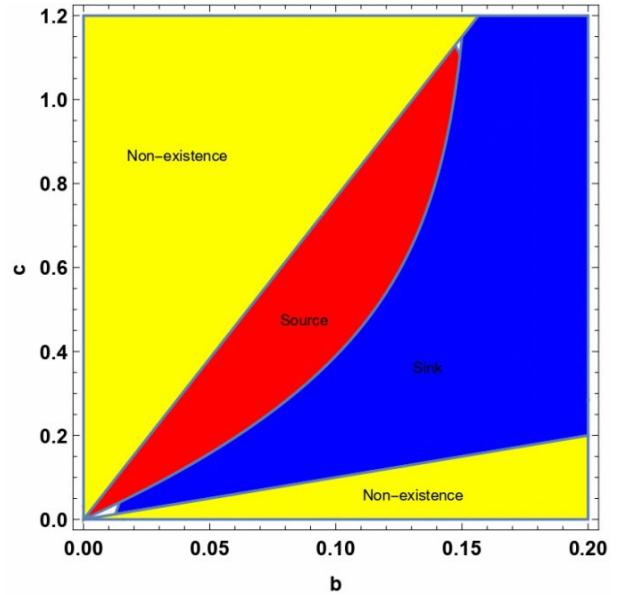
$$a_0 = \frac{c(c + b(c-b))}{c^2 - b^2} = 1.18667.$$

For  $a = 1.18667$ ,  $b = 0.15$  and  $c = 0.6$  the plots of system (1) are depicted in **Fig. 3(a), (b)** and **(c)**.

**III. STABILITY ANALYSIS OF SYSTEM (3)**

To achieve the fixed points of system (3), we can resolve the following algebraic system of equations:

$$\begin{cases} x = \frac{2x}{1 + x + \frac{ay}{x+y}}; \\ y = \frac{y \left( 1 + \frac{cx}{x+y} \right)}{1 + b}. \end{cases}$$



**FIGURE 1.** Phase-plane classification of system (1) at  $P_2$  with  $a=1.15$ .

By simple computations, one can obtain the following equilibrium points  $P_1 = (1, 0)$  and  $P_2 = (x^*, y^*)$ . Thus, boundary equilibrium point  $P_1$  always exists, however, the unique positive (interior) equilibrium  $P_2 = (1 + a(\frac{b}{c} - 1), \frac{(c-b)(a(b-c)+c)}{bc})$  for system (3) exists if and only if  $ab + c > ac$ .

Furthermore, the Jacobian matrix calculated at any arbitrary point  $(x, y)$  is expressed by:

$$J(x, y) = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{2(x^2+2(1+a)xy+(1+a)y^2)}{(x+x^2+y+ay+xy)^2} - \frac{2ax^2}{(x+x^2+y+ay+xy)^2} & \\ \frac{cy^2}{(1+b)(x+y)^2} & \frac{1 + \frac{cx^2}{(x+y)^2}}{1+b} \end{bmatrix}$$

Now, we consider a general description related to local stability analysis of system (3). In this case, if there exists an arbitrary fixed point  $H^*$  and assume that:

$$J(H^*) = \begin{bmatrix} \omega_{11} & \omega_{12} \\ \omega_{21} & \omega_{22} \end{bmatrix}$$

be the Jacobian matrix calculated at  $H^*$ , then the characteristic equation of  $J(H^*)$  is given:

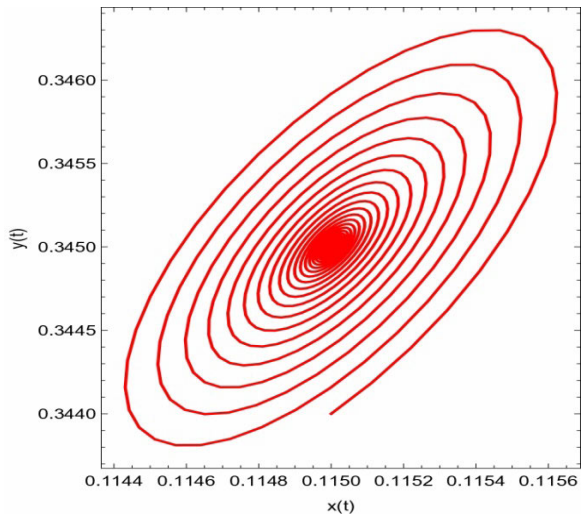
$$P(\xi) = \xi^2 - T\xi + \Delta,$$

where  $T = (\omega_{11} + \omega_{22})$ , and  $\Delta = \omega_{11}\omega_{22} - \omega_{12}\omega_{21}$ .

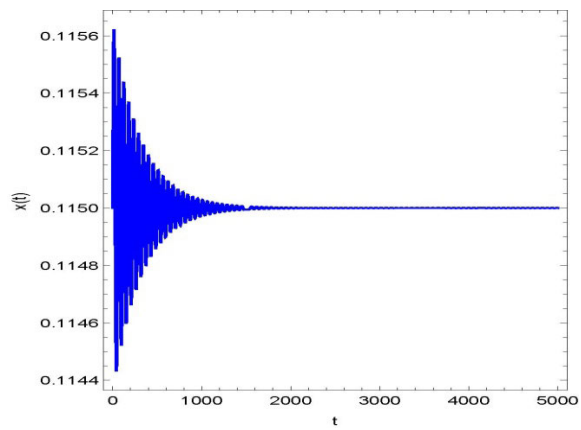
For the above discussion, we obtained the following lemma 1 which describes the various conditions associated to local stability analysis of biologically feasible fixed points [30].

*Lemma 3.1:* Let  $P(\xi) = \xi^2 - T\xi + \Delta$  and  $P(1) > 0$ . Moreover,  $\xi_1, \xi_2$  are roots of  $P(\xi) = 0$ , then we explicate the following classical results:

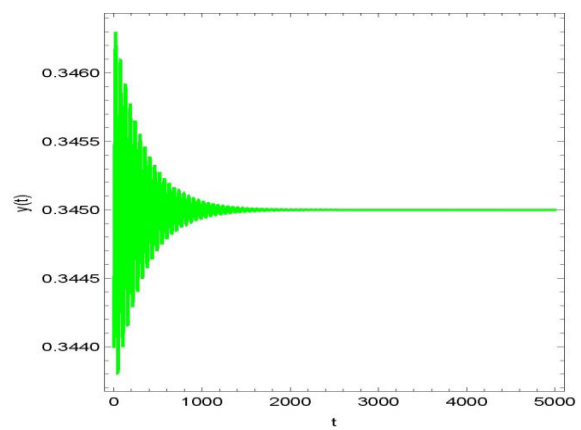
- (i) (i)  $|\xi_1| < 1$  &  $|\xi_2| < 1 \iff P(-1) > 0$  and  $\Delta < 1$ ;
- (ii) (ii)  $|\xi_1| > 1$  &  $|\xi_2| > 1 \iff P(-1) > 0$  and  $\Delta > 1$ ;
- (iii) (iii)  $|\xi_1| < 1$  &  $|\xi_2| > 1$  or  $(|\xi_1| > 1$  and  $|\xi_2| < 1) \iff P(-1) < 0$ ;



(a)



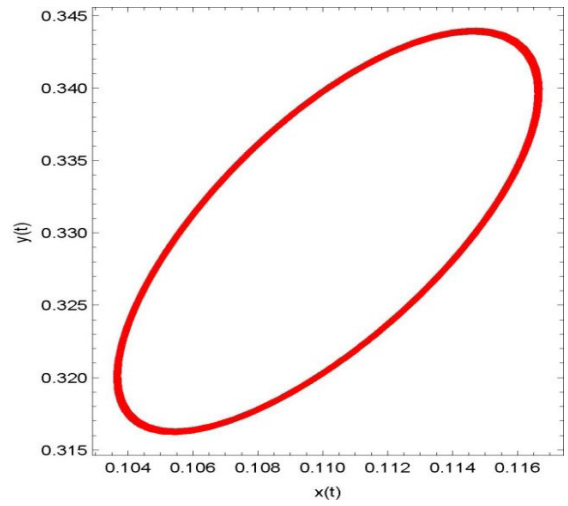
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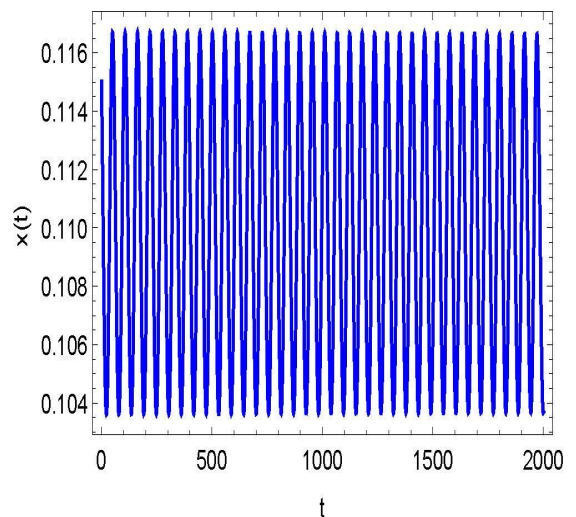
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**FIGURE 2.** Plot for system (1) (a) Phase portrait (b) Plot for prey (c) Plot for predator.

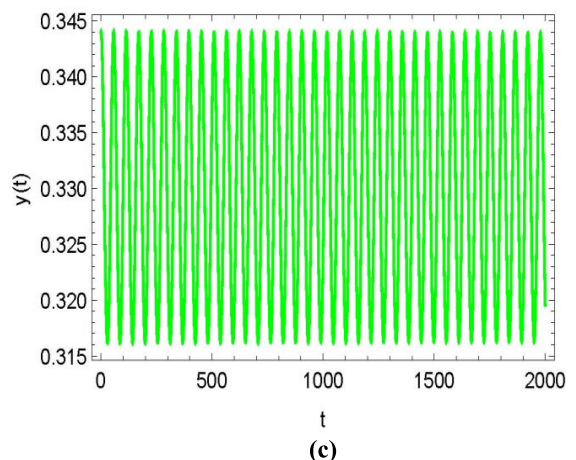
- (iv)  $\xi_1 = -1$  &  $|\xi_2| \neq 1 \iff P(-1) = 0$  &  $T \neq 0, 2$ ;
- (v)  $\xi_1, \xi_2$  represent complex conjugates and  $|\xi_1| = 1 = |\xi_2| \iff T^2 - 4\Delta < 0$  and  $\Delta = 1$ ;



(a)



(b)



(c)

**FIGURE 3.** Plot for system (1) when For  $a = 1.18667$ ,  $b = 0.15$  and  $c = 0.6$  (a) Phase portrait (b) Plot for prey (c) Plot for predator.

As  $\xi_1, \xi_2$  are eigenvalues of system (3), then we have the following topological classification related to the stability of  $H^* \cdot H^*$  is known as sink if  $|\xi_1| < 1$  and  $|\xi_2| < 1$ , as sink

is the point of suction hence stable equilibrium.  $H^*$  is known as source if  $|\xi_1| > 1$  &  $|\xi_2| > 1$ , as source is repeller hence it remains unstable.  $H^*$  is known as saddle point if  $|\xi_1| < 1$  and  $|\xi_2| > 1$  or  $(|\xi_1| > 1$  and  $|\xi_2| < 1)$ .  $H^*$  is said to be non-hyperbolic point if condition iv and v of the Lemma 3.1 is satisfied.

Now, at boundary equilibrium  $P_1$ , the variational matrix  $J(P_1)$  of system (3) reduces to the following form:

$$J(P_1) = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{2} & -\frac{a}{2} \\ 0 & \frac{1+c}{1+b} \end{bmatrix}.$$

Clearly, for boundary equilibrium  $P_1$  the following assumptions hold:

- $P_1$  is a sink  $\iff c < b$ .
- $P_1$  is saddle point for  $b < c$ .
- $P_1$  is non-hyperbolic at  $b = c$ .

Moreover, the variational matrix  $J(P_2)$  computed at  $P_2$  along with characteristic equation is expressed by:

$$J(P_2) = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{2} \left( 1 + a - \frac{ab^2}{c^2} \right) - \frac{ab^2}{2c^2} & \\ \frac{(b-c)^2}{(1+b)c} & \frac{b^2+c}{c+bc} \end{bmatrix}.$$

and

$$P(\xi) = \xi^2 - \left( \frac{1}{2} \left( 1 + a - \frac{ab^2}{c^2} \right) + \frac{b^2+c}{c+bc} \right) \xi + \frac{c(b^2+c) - a(b-c)(2b^2+b+c)}{2(1+b)c^2}, \quad (4)$$

After some usual algebraic computations, we get:

$$P(1) = \frac{b(c-b)(a(b-c)+c)}{2(1+b)c^2} \quad (5)$$

$$P(-1) = \frac{(3+2a)b^2c + (3+a)(2+b)c^2 - ab^2(2+3b)}{2(1+b)c^2} \quad (5)$$

From (5), we see that if  $ab+c > ac$ , then  $P(1) > 0$ .

Now by using Lemma 3.1, we get the following theorem.

**Theorem 3.1:** Assume that  $ab+c > ac$  such that  $P_2$  represents the interior equilibrium of model (3), then the following results remains true:

- $P_2$  is stable (sink)  $\iff$

$$ab^2(2+3b) < (3+2a)b^2c + (3+a)(2+b)c^2,$$

and

$$(ab^2+2c)(1+b) + abc^2 > abc(1+2b).$$

- $P_2$  is unstable (source)  $\iff$

$$(3+2a)b^2c + (3+a)(2+b)c^2 > ab^2(2+3b),$$

and

$$2c(1+b) + ab(b^2+c^2+b) < abc(1+2b).$$

- $P_2$  is saddle equilibrium  $\iff$

$$(3+2a)b^2c + (3+a)(2+b)c^2 < ab^2(2+3b).$$

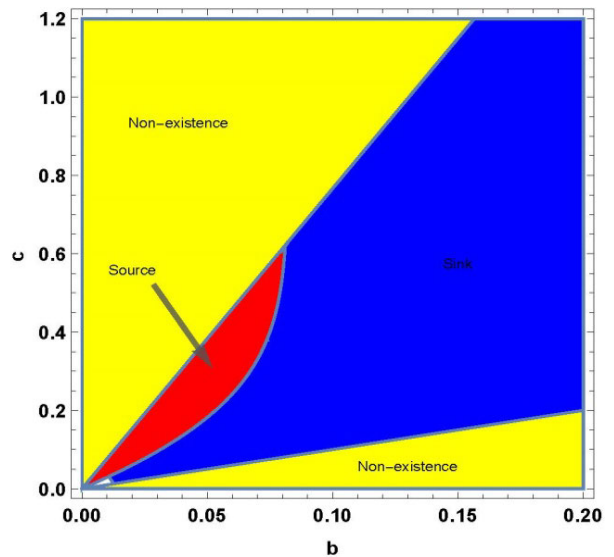


FIGURE 4. Phase-plane classification of system (3) at  $P_2$  with  $a=1.15$

- The interior equilibrium point  $P_2$  of system (3) is a non-hyperbolic  $\iff$

$$\left| \frac{1}{2} \left( 1 + a - \frac{ab^2}{c^2} \right) + \frac{b^2+c}{c+bc} \right| = \left| \frac{c(b^2+c) - a(b-c)(2b^2+b+c)}{2(1+b)c^2} + 1 \right|$$

or

$$\frac{c(b^2+c) - a(b-c)(2b^2+b+c)}{2(1+b)c^2} = 1$$

and

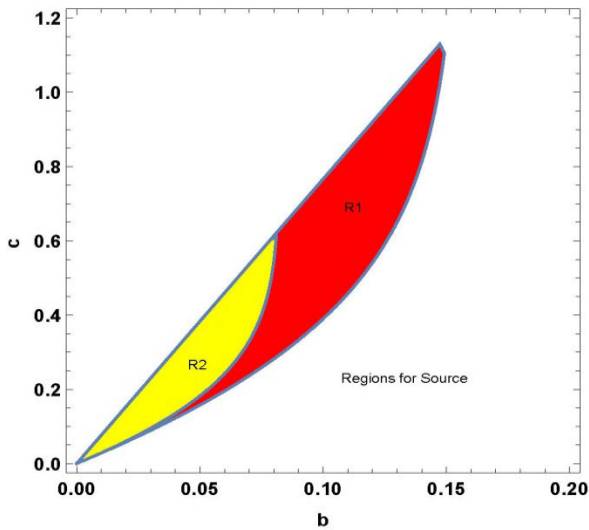
$$\left| \frac{1}{2} \left( 1 + a - \frac{ab^2}{c^2} \right) + \frac{b^2+c}{c+bc} \right| \leq 2.$$

Phase-plane classification of interior equilibrium point  $P_2$  of system (3) is depicted in Fig. 4 in  $bc$ -plane.

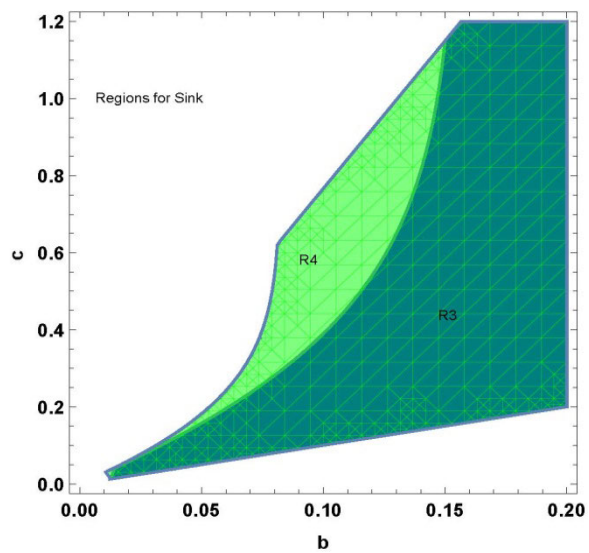
Now compare the regions of sink and source in Fig 5(a) and Fig. 5(b) for both system (1) and system (3) for the same parametric values as given in Fig 1 and Fig 4. For this, it must be noted that in Fig. 5a, source region of system (1) consists of  $R1 \cup R2$ , whereas source region of system (2) consists of  $R2$  only. On the other hand, in Fig. 5b, sink region of system (2) consists of  $R3 \cup R4$ , and sink region of system (1) reduces to  $R3$  only. Consequently, our novel nonstandard finite difference scheme certainly increases the stability region.

#### IV. NEIMARK-SACKER BIFURCATION

In this section, we investigate the existence criteria of NSB around unique positive equilibrium  $P_2$  by considering consumption ability of prey which is ' $a$ ' as bifurcation parameter. For detail analysis of bifurcation in discrete-time population models, we refer to the work done by the authors [14]–[17]. Obviously, when Neimark-Sacker bifurcation exists then as a result, dynamically closed curves are appearing and attracting steady-states are unstable as varied parameter move



(a)



(b)

FIGURE 5. (a) Regions for source (b) Regions for sink.

towards the bifurcation parameter. In return, we can discover some isolated orbits along with trajectories and with periodic behavior that thickly overlay these immutable closed curves [18]. In case of non-hyperbolic steady-states, we have studied the conditions associated to system (3) and a pair of complex eigenvalues having unit modulus. For this, consider (4), then  $P(\xi) = 0$  has two roots which are complex conjugate and fulfill the following conditions:

$$a = \frac{c(b^2 - 2bc - c)}{(b-c)(b + 2b^2 + c)},$$

and

$$\left| \frac{1}{2} \left( 1 + a \left( 1 - \frac{b^2}{c^2} \right) + \frac{c + b^2}{c(1 + b)} \right) \right| < 2. \quad (6)$$

Suppose that

$$\psi_{NB} = \left\{ (a, b, c) \in R_+^3 : (6) \text{ hold with } a = \frac{c(b^2 - 2bc - c)}{(b-c)(2b^2 + b + c)} \right\}.$$

The interior steady-state  $P_2$  of system (3) arises NSB for different parametric values belongs to a small neighborhood of the set  $\psi_{NB}$ . Let  $a_1 = \frac{c(b^2 - 2bc - c)}{(b-c)(b + 2b^2 + c)}$  and choosing the arbitrary parameters  $(a_1, b, c) \in \psi_{NB}$ , then from system (3) we have the following map:

$$\begin{pmatrix} M \\ N \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} \frac{2M}{1 + M + \frac{a_1 N}{M + N}} \\ \frac{N(1 + \frac{cM}{M + N})}{1 + b} \end{pmatrix} \quad (7)$$

Consider the perturbation of map (7) by choosing  $\tilde{a}$  as a bifurcation parameter, we have the following map:

$$\begin{pmatrix} M \\ N \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} \frac{2M}{1 + M + \frac{(a_1 + \tilde{a})N}{M + N}} \\ \frac{N(1 + \frac{cM}{M + N})}{1 + b} \end{pmatrix}$$

where  $|\tilde{a}| \ll 1$  is chosen as a least perturbation.

Now, we introduce the following transformations  $x = M - x^*$  and  $y = N - y^*$ , where  $(x^*, y^*)$  is the interior steady-state of system (3), then map (7) is rearranged as:

$$\begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} m_{11} & m_{12} \\ m_{21} & m_{22} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} f_1(x, y) \\ g_1(x, y) \end{pmatrix}, \quad (8)$$

where,  $f_1(x, y), g_1(x, y), m_{13}, m_{14}, m_{15}, m_{19}, m_{23}, m_{24}, m_{25}, m_{26}, m_{27}, m_{28}, m_{29}$ , and  $m_{18}$ , as shown at the bottom of the next page,

Moreover, characteristic equation of (8) calculated at trivial fixed point can be defined as:

$$\xi^2 - \Gamma(\tilde{a})\xi + \Upsilon(\tilde{a}) = 0. \quad (9)$$

where

$$\Gamma(\tilde{a}) = \left( \frac{1}{2} \left( 1 + (a_1 + \tilde{a}) - \frac{(a_1 + \tilde{a})b^2}{c^2} \right) + \frac{b^2 + c}{c + bc} \right),$$

$$\Upsilon(\tilde{a}) = \frac{c(b^2 + c) - (a_1 + \tilde{a})(b - c)(2b^2 + b + c)}{2(1 + b)c^2}.$$

Since  $(a_1, b, c) \in \psi_{NB}$ , then solution of (9) are conjugate complex numbers  $\xi_1, \xi_2 (|\xi_1| = |\xi_2| = 1)$ . Consequently

$$\xi_1, \xi_2 = \frac{\Gamma(\tilde{a})}{2} \pm \frac{i}{2} \sqrt{4\Upsilon(\tilde{a}) - \Gamma^2(\tilde{a})}.$$

Then we obtain

$$|\xi_1| = |\xi_2| = \sqrt{\Upsilon(\tilde{a})}, \text{ implies that}$$

$$\left( \frac{d|\xi_1|}{d\tilde{a}} \right)_{(\tilde{a}=0)} = \left( \frac{d|\xi_2|}{d\tilde{a}} \right)_{(\tilde{a}=0)}$$

$$= \frac{- (b-c)(b + 2b^2 + c)}{2(1 + b)c^2 \sqrt{\frac{2c(b^2 + c) + 2(-b + c)(b + 2b^2 + c)a_1}{(1 + b)c^2}}}.$$

Further, we assume that  $\Gamma(0) := \left(\frac{1}{2}\left(1 + a_1 - \frac{a_1 b^2}{c^2}\right) + \frac{b^2 + c}{c + bc}\right) \neq 0, -1$ . Moreover,  $(a_1, b, c) \in \psi_{NB}$  implies that  $-2 < \Gamma(0) < 2$ . Thus  $\Gamma(0) \neq \pm 2, 0, -1$  gives  $\xi_1^n, \xi_2^n \neq 1$  for all  $n = 1, 2, 3, 4$  at  $\tilde{a} = 0$ . Therefore, solutions of (9) do not overlap unit circle with coordinate axes when  $\tilde{a} = 0$  along with restrictions

$$\frac{1 + a_1}{2} + \frac{b^2 + c}{c + bc} \neq \frac{a_1 b^2}{2c^2}, \frac{b^2 + c}{c + bc} + \frac{3 + a_1}{2} \neq \frac{a_1 b^2}{2c^2}. \quad (10)$$

In order to acquire the normality around  $\tilde{a} = 0$  of map (8), we choose  $\zeta = \frac{\Gamma(0)}{2}, \tau = \frac{1}{2}\sqrt{4\Gamma(0) - \Gamma^2(0)}$ , and establish the following elaborations:

$$\begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} m_{12} & 0 \\ \zeta - m_{11} & -\tau \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} u \\ v \end{pmatrix}. \quad (11)$$

Therefore, the normal form of (8) under transformation (11) can be expressed by:

$$\begin{pmatrix} u \\ v \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} \zeta & -\tau \\ \tau & \zeta \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} u \\ v \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} \tilde{f}(u, v) \\ \tilde{g}(u, v) \end{pmatrix}.$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{f}(u, v) &= \frac{m_{13}}{m_{12}}x^2 + \frac{m_{14}}{m_{12}}xy + \frac{m_{15}}{m_{12}}y^2 + \frac{m_{16}}{m_{12}}x^3 + \frac{m_{17}}{m_{12}}x^2y \\ &\quad + \frac{m_{18}}{m_{12}}xy^2 + \frac{m_{19}}{m_{12}}y^3 + O\left((|u| + |v|)^4\right), \\ \tilde{g}(u, v) &= \left(\frac{(\zeta - m_{11})m_{13}}{\tau m_{12}} - \frac{m_{23}}{\tau}\right)x^2 \\ &\quad + \left(\frac{(\zeta - m_{11})m_{14}}{\tau m_{12}} - \frac{m_{24}}{\tau}\right)xy \\ &\quad + \left(\frac{(\zeta - m_{11})m_{15}}{\tau m_{12}} - \frac{m_{25}}{\tau}\right)y^2 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} f_1(x, y) &= m_{13}x^2 + m_{14}xy + m_{15}y^2 + m_{16}x^3 + m_{17}x^2y \\ &\quad + m_{18}xy^2 + m_{19}y^3 + O\left((|x| + |y| + |\tilde{a}|)^4\right); \\ g_1(x, y) &= m_{23}x^2 + m_{24}xy + m_{25}y^2 + m_{26}x^3 + m_{27}x^2y \\ &\quad + m_{28}xy^2 + m_{29}y^3 + O\left((|x| + |y| + |\tilde{a}|)^4\right); \\ m_{13} &= \frac{\tilde{a}^2 b^4 - 2\tilde{a}^2 b^2 c^2 + \tilde{a}^2 c^4 + 2\tilde{a}cb^3 - 2\tilde{a}b^2 c^2 - c^4}{4c^3(\tilde{a}(b-c) + c)}; \\ m_{14} &= \frac{\tilde{a}b^2(\tilde{a}b^2 + 2bc - \tilde{a}c^2 - c^2)}{2c^3(\tilde{a}(b-c) + c)}; \\ m_{15} &= \frac{\tilde{a}b^3(\tilde{a}b + 2c)}{4c^3(\tilde{a}(b-c) + c)}; \\ m_{19} &= \frac{-\tilde{a}b^4(\tilde{a}^2 b^2 + 4\tilde{a}bc + 4c^2)}{8c^4(\tilde{a}(b-c) + c)^2}; \\ m_{23} &= \frac{-b(b-c)^2}{c(1+b)(\tilde{a}b - \tilde{a}c + c)}; \\ m_{24} &= \frac{-2b^2(b-c)}{c(1+b)(\tilde{a}b - \tilde{a}c + c)}; \\ m_{25} &= \frac{-b^3}{c(1+b)(\tilde{a}b - \tilde{a}c + c)}; \\ m_{26} &= \frac{b^2(b-c)^2}{c(1+b)(\tilde{a}b - \tilde{a}c + c)}; \\ m_{27} &= \frac{b^2(b-c)(3b-c)}{c(1+b)(\tilde{a}b - \tilde{a}c + c)}; \\ m_{28} &= \frac{(3b-2c)b^3}{c(1+b)(\tilde{a}b - \tilde{a}c + c)}; \\ m_{29} &= \frac{b^4}{c(1+b)(\tilde{a}b - \tilde{a}c + c)}; \\ m_{18} &= \frac{-\tilde{a}b^3(3\tilde{a}^2 b^3 - 3\tilde{a}^2 bc^2 + 12\tilde{a}b^2 c - 3\tilde{a}bc^2 - 4\tilde{a}c^3 + 12bc^2 - 4c^3)}{8c^4(\tilde{a}(b-c) + c)^2}; \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &+ \left( \frac{(\zeta - m_{11}) m_{16}}{\tau m_{12}} - \frac{m_{26}}{\tau} \right) x^3 \\
 &+ \left( \frac{(\zeta - m_{11}) m_{17}}{\tau m_{12}} - \frac{m_{27}}{\tau} \right) x^2 y \\
 &+ \left( \frac{(\zeta - m_{11}) m_{18}}{\tau m_{12}} - \frac{m_{28}}{\tau} \right) x y^2 \\
 &+ \left( \frac{(\zeta - m_{11}) m_{19}}{\tau m_{12}} - \frac{m_{29}}{\tau} \right) y^3 + O\left((|u| + |v|)^4\right),
 \end{aligned}$$

$x = m_{12}u$  and  $y = (\zeta - m_{11})u - \tau v$ . Now, we define  $\mathbf{L} \neq 0$  belongs to the set of real numbers as follows:

$$\mathbf{L} = \left( \begin{aligned} &-\mathbf{Re} \left( \frac{(1 - 2\xi_1)\xi_2^2}{1 - \xi_1} \Omega_{20}\Omega_{11} \right) - \frac{1}{2} |\Omega_{11}|^2 + |\Omega_{02}|^2 \\ &+\mathbf{Re} (\xi_2\Omega_{21}) \end{aligned} \right)_{\tilde{a}=0}.$$

where

$$\begin{aligned}
 \Omega_{11} &= \frac{1}{4} [\tilde{f}_{uu} + \tilde{f}_{vv} + i(\tilde{g}_{uu} + \tilde{g}_{vv})], \\
 \Omega_{02} &= \frac{1}{8} [\tilde{f}_{uu} - \tilde{f}_{vv} - 2\tilde{g}_{uv} + i(\tilde{g}_{uu} - \tilde{g}_{vv} + 2\tilde{f}_{uv})], \\
 \Omega_{20} &= \frac{1}{8} [\tilde{f}_{uu} - \tilde{f}_{vv} + 2\tilde{g}_{uv} + i(\tilde{g}_{uu} - \tilde{g}_{vv} - 2\tilde{f}_{uv})], \\
 \Omega_{21} &= \frac{1}{16} [\tilde{f}_{uuu} + \tilde{f}_{uvv} + \tilde{g}_{uuv} + \tilde{g}_{vuv} + i(\tilde{g}_{uuu} + \tilde{g}_{uvv} - \tilde{f}_{uvv} - \tilde{f}_{vvv})].
 \end{aligned}$$

The aforementioned detail mathematical investigation, one can express the following theorem [19]–[23].

**Theorem 4.1:** *There exists a NSB around interior equilibrium  $P_2 := (x^*, y^*)$  whenever, 'a' deviates in a least neighborhood of  $a_1 := \frac{c(b^2 - c(1 + 2b))}{(2b^2 + b + c)(b - c)}$ . In addition, if  $\mathbf{L} < \mathbf{0}$ , ( $\mathbf{L} > \mathbf{0}$ ), respectively, then an attracting (or repelling) invariant closed curve flaccutate from  $P_2 := (x^*, y^*)$  respectively for  $a > a_1$  (or  $a < a_1$ ).*

### V. CHAOS CONTROL ANALYSIS

The chaos control and theory of bifurcation is one of the most vital and developed area of the current research. It has significant characteristics in population model, especially the models corresponding to the ecology and mathematical biology exploring biological breeding of species. As compared to continuous-time population models, the behaviour of discrete-time population models are most chaotic and complex. Consequently, chaotic and fluctuating behaviors are considered to be harmful and capable to create alarming situations for interacting biological species. In order to achieve stability behavior in the dynamics of interacting species, chaos control methods are implemented. For implementation of chaos control techniques, a small perturbation is added to given chaotic system in such a way that both given and perturbed (controlled) systems are steady-states preserving. Usually, state feedback control and parameter perturbation are applied to obtain new controlled system corresponding to given chaotic system.

The present section consists of the following feedback control techniques to control unusual and unstable behavior of trajectory towards stable one, that is,

- OGY feedback control strategy
- Hybrid feedback control strategy
- An exponential type control strategy

#### A. OGY CONTROL METHOD

Here, we execute the OGY control method proposed by Ott *et al.*, see also [24], [25]. Now, we implement OGY method to system (3). Consequently, we have achieved the modification of (3) as follows:

$$\begin{aligned}
 x_{n+1} &= \frac{2x_n}{1 + x_n + \frac{ay_n}{x_n + y_n}} = f(x_n, y_n, a) \\
 y_{n+1} &= \frac{y_n \left( 1 + \frac{cx_n}{x_n + y_n} \right)}{1 + b} = g(x_n, y_n, a)
 \end{aligned} \tag{12}$$

where  $a$  is taken as a control parameter. Here, we restrict  $a$  to a small interval  $a \in (a_0 - \varepsilon, a_0 + \varepsilon)$  to achieve desire control by implementing a small perturbations. Also  $a_0$  indicates any arbitrary value from chaotic region. Our aim is to shift the uncertain trajectory towards the desire orbit. For this, we implement the stabilizing feedback control strategy. Moreover, consider that  $(x^*, y^*)$  be an unstable steady-state of model (3) from the chaotic region under the influence of NSB, then by applying the following linear map, the system (12) can be evaluated in the neighbourhood of  $(x^*, y^*)$  as follows:

$$\begin{bmatrix} x_{n+1} - x^* \\ y_{n+1} - y^* \end{bmatrix} \approx \mathbf{A}(x^*, y^*, a_0) \begin{bmatrix} x_n - x^* \\ y_n - y^* \end{bmatrix} + \mathbf{B}[a - a_0] \tag{13}$$

where

$$\begin{aligned}
 \mathbf{A}(x^*, y^*, a_0) &= \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial f(x^*, y^*, a_0)}{\partial x} & \frac{\partial f(x^*, y^*, a_0)}{\partial y} \\ \frac{\partial g(x^*, y^*, a_0)}{\partial x} & \frac{\partial g(x^*, y^*, a_0)}{\partial y} \end{bmatrix} \\
 &= \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{2} \left( 1 + a_0 - \frac{a_0 b^2}{c^2} \right) - \frac{a_0 b^2}{2c^2} & \\ \frac{(b-c)^2}{(1+b)c} & \frac{b^2+c}{c+bc} \end{bmatrix}
 \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\mathbf{B} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial f(x^*, y^*, a_0)}{\partial a} \\ \frac{\partial g(x^*, y^*, a_0)}{\partial a} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{(b-c)(a_0(b-c)+c)}{2c^2} \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Moreover, the controllable system (12) yields the following matrix  $C = [\mathbf{B} : \mathbf{A}\mathbf{B}]$  is of rank 2.

Moreover, taking  $[a - a_0] = -Q \begin{bmatrix} x_n - x^* \\ y_n - y^* \end{bmatrix}$ , where  $Q = [k_1 \ k_2]$ , then system (13) can be written as

$$\begin{bmatrix} x_{n+1} - x^* \\ y_{n+1} - y^* \end{bmatrix} \approx [\mathbf{A} - \mathbf{B}Q] \begin{bmatrix} x_n - x^* \\ y_n - y^* \end{bmatrix}$$

Furthermore, the equivalent controlled system of (3) is stated as:

$$\left. \begin{aligned} x_{n+1} &= \frac{2x_n}{1 + x_n + \frac{y_n}{x_n + y_n} [a_0 - k_1(x_n - x^*) - k_2(y_n - y^*)]} \\ y_{n+1} &= \frac{y_n \left( 1 + \frac{cx_n}{x_n + y_n} \right)}{1 + b} \end{aligned} \right\} \tag{14}$$

Moreover, the equilibrium point  $(x^*, y^*)$  is asymptotically stable when both eigenvalues of  $''\mathbf{A} - \mathbf{B}Q''$  belongs to an open



unit disk. The characteristic equation of the variational matrix "A - BQ" of the map (14) is expressed by:

$$P(\xi) = \xi^2 - T_1\xi + D_1 = 0,$$

where

$$D_1 = \frac{(b-c)^3 ck_2 + a(b-c)(k_2(b-c)^3 - c(b+2b^2+c))}{2(1+b)c^3} + \frac{c(b^2+c)(c-bk_1+ck_1)}{2(1+b)c^3} + \frac{(c-b)(b^2+c)k_1}{2(1+b)c^3};$$

$$T_1 = \frac{b^2+c}{c+bc} + \frac{c^2 - (b-c)(ck_1 + a(b+c+(b-c)k_1))}{2c^2}.$$

Furthermore, the marginal lines representing region of stability can be evaluated as follows:

$$L_1 : P(1) = 0,$$

$$L_2 : P(-1) = 0,$$

$$L_3 : P(0) = 1.$$

### B. HYBRID CONTROL METHOD

In this section, we apply a Hybrid feedback control strategy to control chaos which is produced by Neimark-Sacker bifurcation [26]. This strategy was first applied to control the chaos which is developed under the emergence of period-doubling bifurcation, but on the other hand, similar methodology is adopted for control the NSB [27]. Suppose that system (3) undergoes Neimark-Sacker bifurcation at  $(x^*, y^*)$ , then modified hybrid control map can be formulated by:

$$\begin{cases} x_{n+1} = \varsigma \left[ \frac{2x_n}{1+x_n+\frac{ay_n}{x_n+y_n}} \right] + (1-\varsigma)x_n \\ y_{n+1} = \varsigma \left[ \frac{y_n \left(1+\frac{cx_n}{x_n+y_n}\right)}{1+b} \right] + (1-\varsigma)y_n. \end{cases} \quad (15)$$

Here, controlled parameter  $\varsigma \in (0, 1)$ . It is observed that the map (15) comprises of feedback control as well as parameter perturbation. Further noticed that for suitable selection of parametric value of  $\varsigma$ , the bifurcation for interior steady-state  $(x^*, y^*)$  can be advanced (delayed) or indeed totally eradicated, for more detail we refer to references therein [28], [29]. Furthermore, the Jacobian of system (15) estimated at  $(x^*, y^*)$  is specified by:

$$\begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{2} \left( 2 + \left( a - 1 - \frac{ab^2}{c^2} \right) \varsigma \right) & -\frac{ab^2\varsigma}{2c^2} \\ \frac{(b-c)^2\varsigma}{(1+b)c} & 1 + \frac{b(b-c)\varsigma}{(1+b)c} \end{bmatrix},$$

and characteristic equation takes the form

$$\xi^2 - T_2\xi + D_2 = 0,$$

where

$$T_2 = \frac{1}{2} \left( 4 + \left( a - 1 - \frac{ab^2}{c^2} \right) \varsigma + \frac{2b(b-c)\varsigma}{(1+b)c} \right),$$

$$D_2 = -\frac{c^2(b(\varsigma-1)-1)(2+(a-1)\varsigma)+b^2c\varsigma(\varsigma-2(1+a\varsigma))}{2(1+b)c^2}$$

$$-\frac{ab^2\varsigma(1+b(1+\varsigma))}{2(1+b)c^2}.$$

Analogous to aforementioned mathematical computation, we deduced the following lemma associated to the local stability of (15) around  $(x^*, y^*)$ .

*Lemma 5.1: The interior fixed point  $(x^*, y^*)$  of controlled map (15) is locally asymptotically stable, whenever the following condition satisfied:*

$$|T_2| < 1 + D_2 < 2.$$

### C. EXPONENTIAL TYPE CONTROL METHOD

Now we develop an Exponential type control method proposed by Din [54] for system (3):

$$\begin{cases} x_{n+1} = e^{-s_1(x_n-x^*)} \left[ \frac{2x_n}{1+x_n+\frac{ay_n}{x_n+y_n}} \right] \\ y_{n+1} = e^{-s_2(y_n-y^*)} \left[ \frac{y_n \left(1+\frac{cx_n}{x_n+y_n}\right)}{1+b} \right] \end{cases} \quad (16)$$

where,  $s_1$  and  $s_2$  are control parameters for system (16). The characteristic equation of system (16) is given by

$$\xi^2 - (\tau_{11} + \tau_{22})\xi + \tau_{11}\tau_{22} - \tau_{12}\tau_{21} = 0,$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} \tau_{11} &= \text{Exp} \left( 2ar \left( 1 - \frac{b}{c} \right) \right) \\ &\quad \times \frac{(c^2(1-2r) - a(b-c)(b+c+2cr))}{2c^2}; \\ \tau_{22} &= \frac{b^2+c}{c(1+b)} + \frac{(b-c)(a(b-c)+c)s}{bc}; \\ \tau_{12} &= \frac{-ab^2}{2c^2} \text{Exp} \left( 2ar \left( 1 - \frac{b}{c} \right) \right); \tau_{21} = \frac{(b-c)^2}{(1+b)c}. \end{aligned}$$

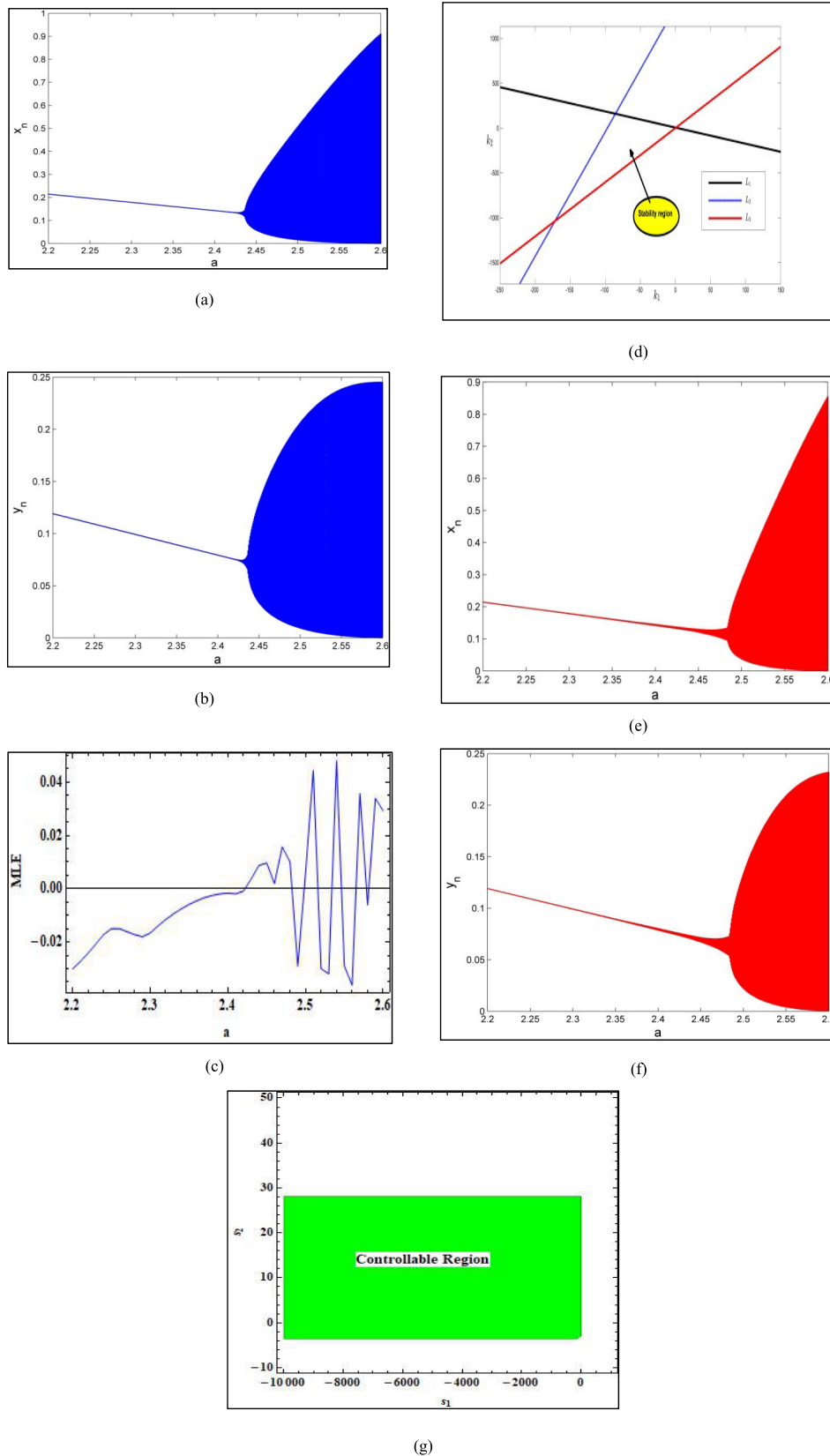
*Lemma 5.2: The equilibrium  $(x^*, y^*)$  of the controlled system (16) is locally asymptotically stable, if*

$$|\tau_{11} + \tau_{22}| < 1 + \tau_{11}\tau_{22} - \tau_{12}\tau_{21} < 2.$$

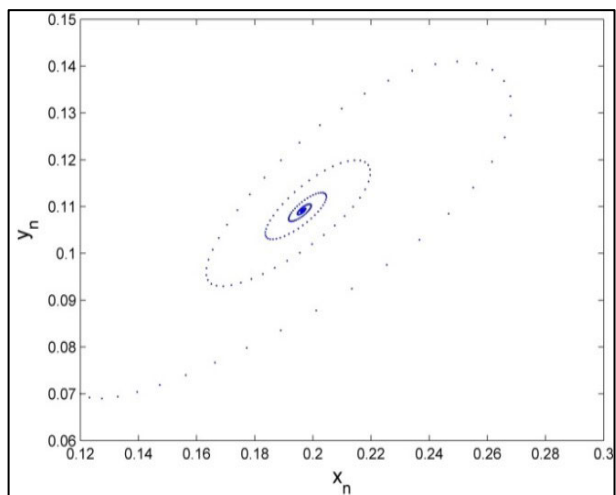
### VI. NUMERICAL SIMULATION

This particular section contains some numerical simulations which are provided to verify our theoretical and mathematical discussions. It is noted that the parametric values selected randomly. First figure **Fig. 6(a) & (b)** shows that system (3) undergoes NSB in both prey and predator population respectively. The maximum Lyapunov exponent is depicted in **Fig. 6(c)**. Similarly **Fig. 6(d)** illustrates the controllable region using OGY control method. From **Fig. 6(e, f)** it is clear that hybrid control strategy successfully controls the bifurcation whereas **Fig. 6(g)** represents controllable stability region for system (16). Moreover, to show interesting behaviours of system (3), some phase portraits are plotted in **Fig. 7**.

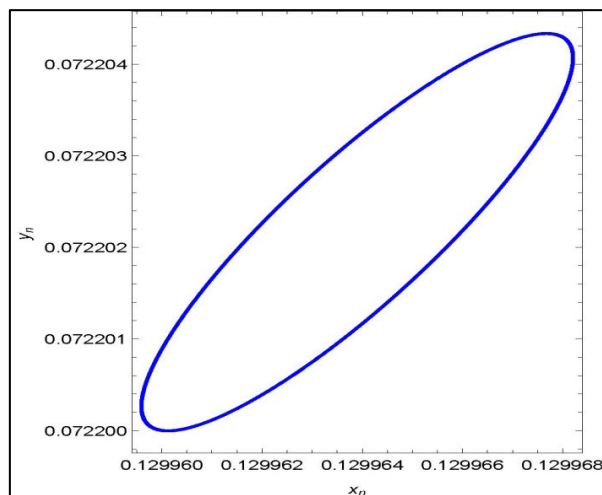
*Example 6.1: Let  $b = 1.8, c = 2.8, a \in [2.2, 2.6]$  and with initial conditions  $(x_0, y_0) = (0.12, 0.07)$ , then in system (3)*



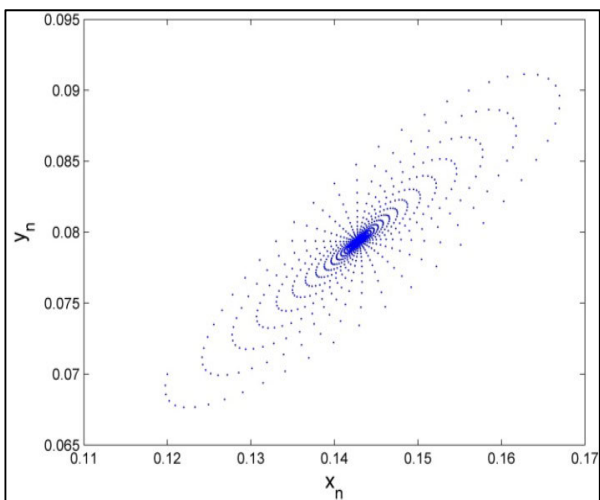
**FIGURE 6.** Bifurcation diagrams and MLE for system (3) with  $b = 1.8$ ,  $c = 2.8$ ,  $a \in [2.2, 2.6]$  and  $(x_0, y_0) = (0.12, 0.07)$ ; (a) Bifurcation diagram for  $x_n$  (b) Bifurcation diagram for  $y_n$  (c) MLE (d) Stability region for controlled system (14). (e) and (f) represents bifurcation diagrams of prey and predator population respectively, for controlled system (18) when  $\zeta = 0.0893$ . (g) Stability region for controlled system (16).



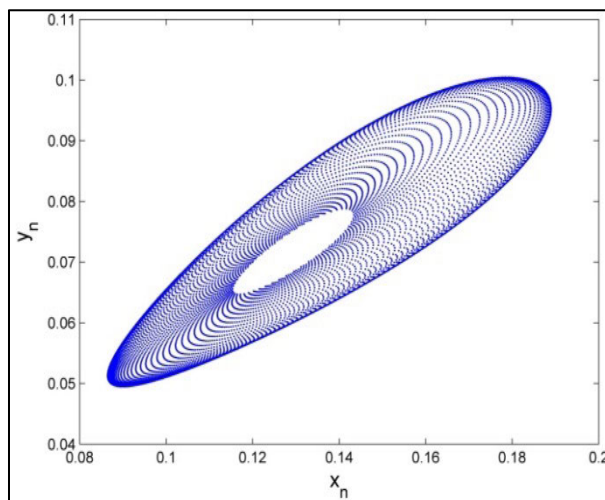
(a)  $a = 2.25$



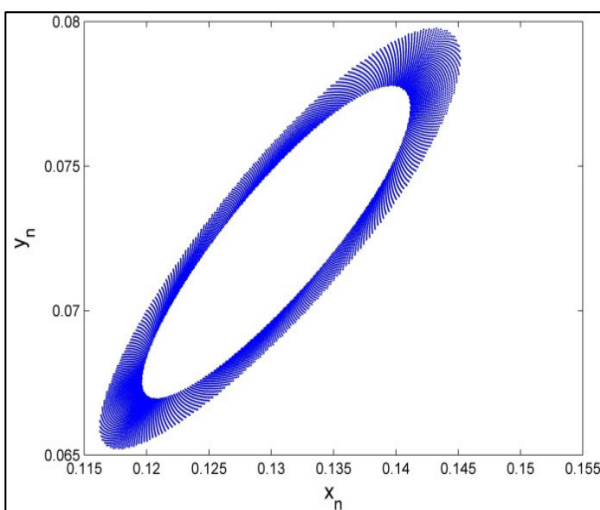
(d)  $a = 2.4361010830324914$



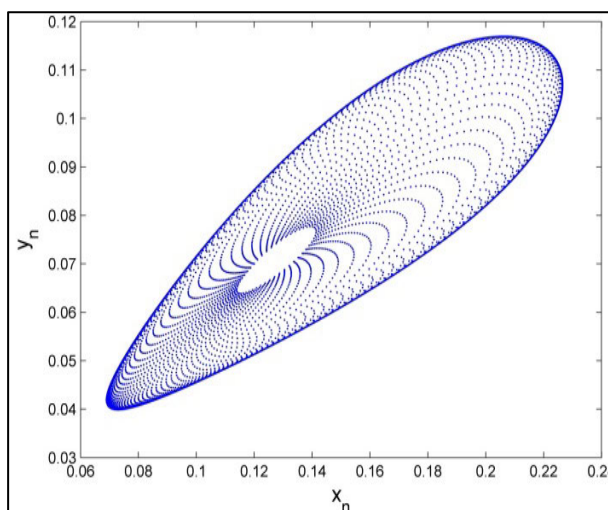
(b)  $a = 2.4$



(e)  $a = 2.44$

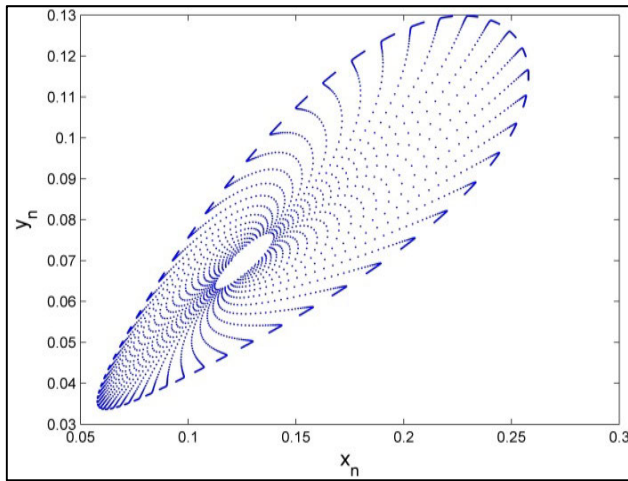


(c)  $a = 2.4361$

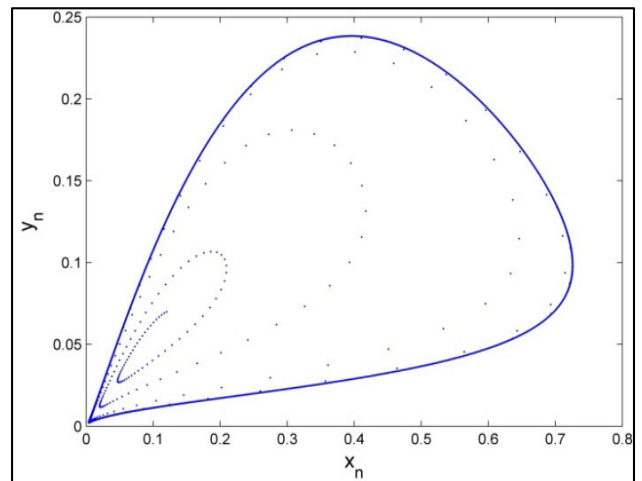


(f)  $a = 2.445$

FIGURE 7. Phase portraits of system (3) for different values of bifurcation parameter  $a$ .



(g)  $a = 2.45$



(h)  $a = 2.55$

FIGURE 7. (Continued.) Phase portraits of system (3) for different values of bifurcation parameter  $a$ .

NSB appears whenever  $a \approx 2.4361010830324914$ . On the other hand, the parallel bifurcation diagrams of prey and predator populations along with MLE are plotted in Fig. 6 (a, b, c). Furthermore, the map (3) has an interior equilibrium point  $(x^*, y^*) = (0.1299638, 0.07220216)$  with characteristic equation calculated by

$$\xi^2 - 1.9850806748692\xi + 1.000000002=0 \quad (17)$$

Furthermore, the roots of (17) are  $\xi_1 = 0.9925403374346128 - 0.12191668698412544i$  and  $\xi_2 = 0.9925403374346128 + 0.12191668698412544i$  with  $|\xi_{1,2}| = 1$ . Thus the parameters  $(a, b, c) = (2.4361010830324914, 1.8, 2.8) \in \psi_{NB}$ .

Next, we implement OGY control strategy for controlling the chaos which is due to appearance of NSB. For this, taking  $a = 2.4361, b = 1.8, c = 2.8$ , and unique positive equilibrium  $(x^*, y^*) = (0.12996, 0.0722)$ , then Jacobian matrix  $A - BQ$  of modified controlled system (14) is reduces to

$$A - BQ := \begin{bmatrix} 1.214673 + 0.0232079k_1 & -0.50338 + 0.02321k_2 \\ 0.12755102040816318 & 0.7704081632653061 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Moreover, the marginal stability lines  $L_1, L_2$  and  $L_3$  are given by

$$\begin{aligned} L_1 &\rightarrow k_2 = -1.8k_1 + 5.04, \\ L_2 &\rightarrow k_2 = 13.88k_1 + 1346.23, \\ L_3 &\rightarrow k_2 = 6.04k_1. \end{aligned}$$

However, stability region bounded by  $L_1, L_2$  and  $L_3$  is plotted in Fig. 6(d).

Furthermore, we again take  $b = 1.8, c = 2.8, a \in [2.2, 2.6]$  with initial conditions  $(x_0, y_0) = (0.12, 0.07)$ . For these values of parameters, system (3) undergoes NSB. Now we perform hybrid control strategy for the purpose of

TABLE 1. Controllable interval for system (18) with various values of bifurcation parameter  $a$  in chaotic region.

Values of ' $a$ ' from chaotic region	Stability interval of ' $\varsigma$ '
2.44	$0 < \varsigma < 0.9333333333333333$
2.46	$0 < \varsigma < 0.56732026143791$
2.47	$0 < \varsigma < 0.36767676767677$
2.48	$0 < \varsigma < 0.1555555555555555$
2.482	$0 < \varsigma < 0.11153039832284$
2.483	$0 < \varsigma < 0.08930949877322$

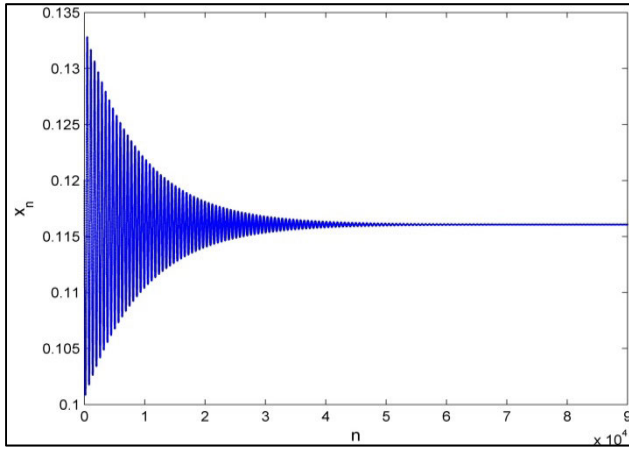
controlling chaos. For above parametric values, the modified controlled map (15) takes the form:

$$\begin{aligned} x_{n+1} &:= \varsigma \left[ \frac{2x_n}{1 + x_n + \frac{2.4361y_n}{x_n + y_n}} \right] + (1 - \varsigma)x_n \\ y_{n+1} &:= \varsigma \left[ \frac{y_n \left( 1 + \frac{2.8x_n}{x_n + y_n} \right)}{1 + 1.8} \right] + (1 - \varsigma)y_n. \end{aligned} \quad (18)$$

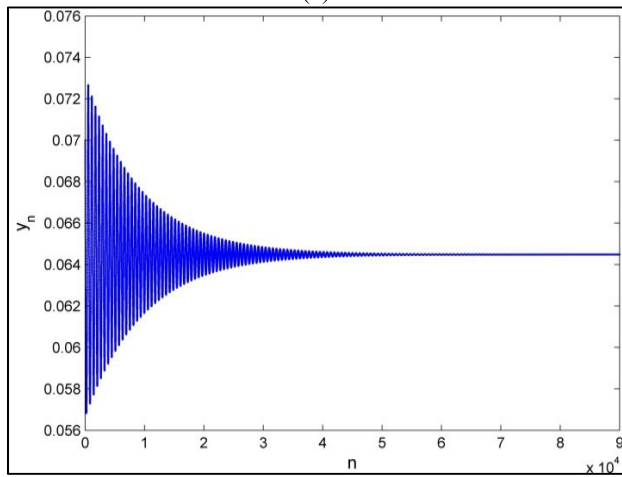
The interval of stability for system (18) can be seen in the following Table 1 when different values of bifurcation parameter  $a$  belong to chaotic region:

The bifurcation controlled diagrams of model (18) are displayed in Fig. 6(e, f). Similarly for above parametric values defined in example 6.1, the controllable portion of stability by applying map (16) is plotted in Fig. 6(g).

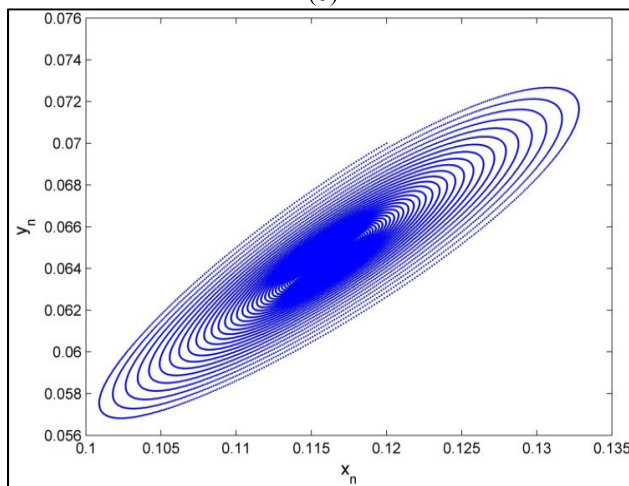
In Fig. 8, some phase portraits of system (3) are plotted, whenever bifurcation parameter  $a$  takes the different values from chaotic region with initial conditions  $(x_0, y_0) = (0.12, 0.07)$ , while parameters  $b = 1.8, c = 2.8$  are remain fixed for each case.



(a)



(b)



(c)

**FIGURE 8.** Plots for controlled map (18) when  $\zeta = 0.0893$  and  $a = 2.475$  (a) Plot of prey population (b) Plot of predator population (c) Phase portrait.

**VII. CONCLUSION**

We discuss the dynamics of a ratio-dependent predator-prey model. A nonstandard finite difference scheme is

implemented for discretization in order to obtain system (3). Moreover, this scheme of discretization is more effective and reliable as compared to Euler forward difference scheme used in [10]. It is observed that system (1) has two fixed points  $P_1 = (1, 0)$  and  $P_2 = (x^*, y^*)$ . The linearization approach is used to achieve the local stability conditions of  $P_1$  and  $P_2$  whereas plots for system (1) plotted in Fig. 2 and Fig. 3 described stability analysis. Furthermore, the given system has unique positive fixed point  $P_{2ac} < ab + c$ . The topological classification of  $P_2$  for system (1) and system (3) has shown in Fig. 1 and Fig. 4. It is proved that system (1) undergoes Hopf bifurcation at  $P_2$  whereas system (3) undergoes Neimark-Sacker bifurcation at  $P_2$  by applying bifurcation theory of normal form. Also, our mathematical investigations are supported by some figures. Neimark-Sacker bifurcation diagrams of system (3) is depicted for different values of parameters say  $b = 1.8, c = 2.8, a \in [2.2, 2.6]$  along with initial conditions  $(x_0, y_0) = (0.12, 0.07)$ , then one can easily observe that  $P_2 = (0.1299638, 0.07220216)$  is stable for  $a < 2.4361010830324914$  and loses its stability at  $a = 2.4361010830324914$ , in this case system (3) undergoes Neimark-Sacker bifurcation when consumption ability  $a$  exceed the value  $2.4361010830324914$  also an attracting invariant closed curves appears when  $a > 2.4361010830324914$ . Fig. 6(a), 6(b) and 6(c) represents the bifurcation diagrams and MLE for system (3). Furthermore, Fig. 6(d), 6(e), 6(f) and 6(g) verify that our proposed control techniques control bifurcation successfully. Additionally, an interesting comparison plot of sink and source region for both differential equation model (1) and difference equation model (3) are depicted in Fig. 5. Different phase portraits in Fig. 7 for various values of bifurcation parameter show the behavioral change in system. At the end, plot and phase portrait for controlled system (18) depicted in Fig. 8 ensures that system has restore the stability region. From the above discussion we also say that consumption ability in predator-prey population has dynamical and remarkable consequences for stability of population models.

**VIII. FUTURE DIRECTION**

It is clear that the functional response in system (1) is of Holling type-II function. Therefore, it is more interesting to develop Holling type-III functional response. The dynamics of ratio-dependent predator-prey model (1) with Holling type-III functional response is our future work for investigation.

Moreover, it is also interesting to implement biologically feasible impulsive effects on predator-prey interaction and to apply techniques based on numerical computation of the Poincare map [55].

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