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Two mathematical models for dissolved oxygen in a lake—CMMSE-16

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Abstract In this paper two mathematical models for handling water pollution are introduced. In the first one we assume that algae and fungi are in competition for resources that come from wastewater, while in the second one we introduce explicitly the equation of nutrients. Both algae and fungi need dissolved oxygen (DO) for their biological process of growth. But there is a difference, indeed algae produce it too and in a higher quantity than the one they use. For the first model it is shown that if the coexistence equilibrium exists, it is stable without additional conditions. If the competition rate between algae and fungi is not high for a chosen set of parameters the stability of the coexistence equilibrium is reached even without an external constant input of DO in the system. For the second model we have found the matching equilibrium points with the ones of the first model, furthermore other two equilibria are found.

Keywords Mathematical model · Algae · Fungi · Competition · Wastewater

1 Introduction

Algae are important in a lake, as they can improve the quality of the aquatic ecosystem, growing under right conditions such as adequate nutrients (mostly phosphorus, but nitrogen is important too). The nutrients that are present in the wastewater can derive

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from agricultural and/or industrial discharges. Fungi can be used for biodegradation of organic pollutant in a waterbody, because the grow using the nutrients obtained from the biodegradation, [\[1](#page-23-0)]. Some mathematical models in the literature study the behaviour of algae biomass in a waterbody in the presence of organic pollutants, [\[4](#page-23-1)[,5](#page-23-2)]. In $[2,3]$ $[2,3]$ the case of fungi has been addressed. In this paper we want to investigate the situation in which both algae and fungi are present in the same waterbody, assuming that they compete for the resources coming from the pollutants.

In this paper we introduce two mathematical systems modeling the algae and fungi behaviour in a waterbody. The waterbody considered could be nutrient-rich waters, like municipal wastewater or some industrial effluents. Both algae and fungi can feed on these wastes and therefore purify the water, while also producing a biomass suitable for biofuels production.

In the next Section we present the first model and in Sect. [3](#page-2-0) its qualitative analysis. Sect. [4](#page-10-0) contains the extended model in which also nutrients are present, its qualitative behaviour is examined in Sect. [5.](#page-10-1) These two models are compared in Sect. [6](#page-20-0) and a final discussion concludes the paper.

2 The first mathematical model

In the first model we assume that algae and fungi are in competition for food, since both share the same resources. Further, fungi as well as algae need dissolved oxygen (DO) to thrive but we assume that the algae's production and input of DO into the system is much larger than their own use for their growth.

The model consists of three equations that describe the time evolution of the algae population, the fungi population and the DO respectively. The model, in which all the parameters are nonnegative, reads:

$$
\frac{dA}{dt} = r_A A - a_A A - b_A A^2 - cAF
$$
\n
$$
\frac{dF}{dt} = \frac{hOF}{k + k_O O} - a_F F - b_F F^2 - cAF
$$
\n
$$
\frac{dO}{dt} = qO + gA - a_O O - f \frac{hOF}{k + k_O O}.
$$
\n(1)

In the first equation algae grow at a constant rate *rA* and are washed out at a constant rate a_A . We assume that algae are in competition among themselves at a constant rate *bA* and also experience interspecific competition with fungi at rate *c*.

In the second equation the fungi's growth depends on the presence of DO. They are washed out at rate a_F . The intraspecific competition occurs at rate b_F while *c* denotes the rate of the interspecific competition with the algae population.

The third equation shows the evolution in time of DO. We assume that it is supplied from external sources at rate q_O , but a part of it comes from the algae own production at rate g. We take further into account its washing out, at rate a_O and its depletion due to its assumption by fungi at rate $f \geqslant 1$.

3 The qualitative analysis of the model

To find the equilibrium points of the model, we need to solve the equilibrium equations, i.e. the system obtained by setting the right hand side of [\(1\)](#page-1-0) to zero, namely

$$
\begin{cases}\nA(r_A - a_A - b_A A - cF) = 0 \\
F\left(\frac{hO}{k + k_O O} - a_F - b_F F - cA\right) = 0 \\
q_O + gA - a_O O - f\frac{hOF}{k + k_O O} = 0.\n\end{cases}
$$
\n(2)

Further, for the stability analysis, we need to calculate the Jacobian matrix *J* of system (1) , given by

$$
\begin{bmatrix}\nr_A - a_A - 2b_A A - cF & -cA & 0 & hkF \\
-cF & -a_F - 2b_F F - cA + \frac{hO}{k + k_O O} & \frac{hkF}{(k + k_O O)^2} \\
g & -\frac{fhO}{k + k_O O} & -a_O - \frac{fhkF}{(k + k_O O)^2}\n\end{bmatrix}.
$$
\n(3)

Solving [\(2\)](#page-2-1) we obtain the analytic expression of three equilibrium points. In addition, we prove that two other equilibria exist. We also show that all these points are conditionally locally asymptotically stable, while the coexistence equilibrium is stable if it is feasible.

Proposition 3.1 *The trivial equilibrium point,* $E_0 = (0, 0, 0)$ *, exists if*

$$
q_O = 0.\t\t(4)
$$

Furthermore, it is stable if the following condition holds:

$$
r_A < a_A. \tag{5}
$$

Proof For $A = F = O = 0$ in the system [\(2\)](#page-2-1) we get that E_0 exists if $q_0 = 0$. The characteristic polynomial associated to the matrix (3) evaluated at E_0 is

$$
\det(J - \mu) = (r_A - a_A - \mu)(-a_F - \mu)(-a_O - \mu) = 0.
$$

To have the stability of E_0 all the eigenvalues should be negative thus the condition (5) must hold. \Box

Proposition 3.2 *The fungi-and-algae-free point* $E_1 = \left(0, 0, q_0 a_0^{-1}\right)$ *exists always. It is stable if the following conditions hold:*

$$
r_A < a_A \quad \text{and} \quad \frac{hq_O}{ka_O + k_O q_O} < a_F. \tag{6}
$$

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Fig. 1 The equilibrium E_1 is stably achieved with the parameter values $r_A = 10.1273$, $a_A = 16.93072$, b_A = 11.7382, c = 19.3012, h = 1.61592, k = 0.454245, k_O = 5.87845, a_F = 2.55798, b_F = $0.0344478, q_O = 2, g = 3.63317, a_O = 5.41771, f = 1$

Proof In fact for $A = F = 0$ in [\(2\)](#page-2-1) from the last equation we get $O = q_0 a_0^{-1}$. While the characteristic polynomial associated to E_1 is

$$
\det(J - \mu) = (r_A - a_A - \mu)(-a_O - \mu) \left(\frac{hq_O}{ka_O + k_Oq_O} - a_F - \mu \right) = 0.
$$

To have all the eigenvalues negative the conditions [\(6\)](#page-2-4) must hold.

In Fig. [1](#page-3-0) one can see that for a chosen set of parameters the equilibrium E_1 is stably achieved.

Proposition 3.3 *The fungi-free equilibrium*

$$
E_2 = \left(\frac{r_A - a_A}{b_A}, 0, \frac{q_O b_A + g(r_A - a_A)}{b_A a_O}\right)
$$

is feasible if

 $r_A > a_A$ (7)

and it is stable if

$$
\frac{hO_2}{k + k_O O_2} < a_F + cA_2 \tag{8}
$$

holds.

Proof From the first equilibrium equation of [\(2\)](#page-2-1) in which we set $F = 0$ it follows

$$
A = \frac{r_A - a_A}{b_A}.
$$

 \Box

Fig. 2 The equilibrium E_2 is stable for the parameter values $r_A = 8.90096$, $a_A = 4.14886$, $b_A =$ 1.62848, $c = 0.0691916$, $h = 11.8402$, $k = 1.92602$, $k_O = 16.7554$, $a_F = 18.7713$, $b_F = 15.4976$, $q_O = 69.5303, g = 13.847, a_O = 19.037, f = 1$

Thus for the nonnegativity of the algae population, [\(7\)](#page-3-1) must hold. From the third equation instead we get the equilibrium value of the oxygen.

$$
O = \frac{q_O b_A + g(r_A - a_A)}{b_A a_O}.
$$

The characteristic polynomial associated to E_1 is once again easily obtained,

$$
\det(J - \mu) = (-r_A + a_A - \mu)(-a_O - \mu) \left(\frac{hO_2}{k + k_O O_2} - a_F - cA_2 - \mu \right) = 0,
$$

as well as its eigenvalues

$$
\mu_1 = -r_a + a_A < 0
$$
\n
$$
\mu_2 = -a_O < 0
$$
\n
$$
\mu_3 = \frac{hO_2}{k + k_O O_2} - a_F - cA_2
$$

Requiring $\mu_3 < 0$ we find the condition [\(8\)](#page-3-2).

In Fig. [2](#page-4-0) we show that for a chosen set of parameters the stability of the fungi-free equilibrium, *E*2, is attained.

Proposition 3.4 *The algae-free point is in fact a set of multiple equilibria, namely* (0, *F*3, *O*3)*,* (0, *F*4, *O*4) *and* (0, *F*5, *O*5)*. Of them, only one is feasible, if*

$$
O > \frac{a_F k}{h - a_F k_O},\tag{9}
$$

 \Box

and it is stable if

$$
r_A < a_A + cF_3. \tag{10}
$$

Proof **Part 1: Existence**

For $A = 0$ the system [\(2\)](#page-2-1) becomes

$$
\begin{cases}\nA = 0 \\
\frac{hO}{k + k_O O} - a_F - b_F F = 0 \\
qO - a_O O - f \frac{hOF}{k + k_O O} = 0.\n\end{cases}
$$
\n(11)

Solving the second equation with respect to *F* we get

$$
F = \frac{O(h - a_F k_O) - a_F k}{b_F (k + k_O O)}.
$$
\n(12)

Condition [\(9\)](#page-4-1) arises by requiring the positivity of the expression [\(12\)](#page-5-0). Note that the opposite case, obtained when $h − a_F k_O < 0$,

$$
O < \frac{a_F k}{h - a_F k_O},
$$

cannot arise, because $O < 0$ would then follow, which is impossible because the oxygen must be a nonnegative quantity.

Substituting the expression [\(12\)](#page-5-0) for F into the third equation of the system [\(11\)](#page-5-1) we obtain the following third degree equation in *O*

$$
aO^3 + bO^2 + cO + d = 0,\t(13)
$$

with

$$
a = -a_0 b_F k_0^2 < 0
$$

\n
$$
b = q_0 b_F k_0^2 - 2a_0 b_F k k_0 - f h^2 + f h a_F k_0
$$

\n
$$
c = 2q_0 b_F k k_0 - a_0 b_F k^2 + f h a_F k
$$

\n
$$
d = q_0 b_F k^2 > 0.
$$

Since $a < 0$ and $d > 0$ by Descartes' rule of signs the third degree polynomial [\(13\)](#page-5-2) in *O* has at least one positive root. We are able to show that there is exactly one such root. In Table [1](#page-6-0) the only four possible cases are summarized.

The first case is impossible, in fact assuming that $b > 0$ and $c < 0$ we find

$$
a_0b_Fk + \frac{fh^2}{k_0} < q_0b_Fk_0 - a_0b_Fk + fha_F < -q_0b_Fk_0.
$$

But this is a contradiction, because the term in the middle should be less than a negative term (on the right) and greater than a positive one (on the left side).

Thus there is only one positive equilibrium, with *O*³

$$
E_3 = \left(0, \frac{O_3(h - a_F k_O) - a_F k}{b_F(k + k_O O_3)}, O_3\right)
$$

with O_3 the real positive root of (13) satisfying (9) .

Part 2: Stability

To study the stability of the equilibrium point we evaluate the Jacobian matrix [\(3\)](#page-2-2) at *E*₃. The resulting characteristic polynomial det($J - \mu$) explicitly becomes

$$
(r_A - a_A - cF_3 - \mu) \left\{ \mu^2 + \left(a_F + 2b_F F_3 + a_O + \frac{fhkF_3}{(k + k_O O_3)^2} - \frac{hO_3}{k + k_O O_3} \right) \mu + \left(a_O + \frac{fhkF_3}{(k + k_O O_3)^2} \right) (a_F + 2b_F F_3) - \frac{a_O hO_3}{k + k_O O_3} \right\} = 0.
$$

The eigenvalue $\mu_1 = r_A - a_A - cF_3$ is negative if [\(10\)](#page-5-3) holds, while the roots of the quadratic polynomial in μ are negative with no further conditions. It turns out that both coefficients of the terms of the two lowest degrees in μ are positive, so that the Routh–Hurwitz conditions are unconditionally satisfied. In fact, substituting *F*3, [\(12\)](#page-5-0), for the coefficient of μ we get

$$
\left(a_F + \frac{2hO_3}{k + k_O O_3} - \frac{2(O_{3aF}k_O + a_Fk)}{k + k_O O_3} + a_O + \frac{fhkF_3}{(k + k_O O_3)^2} - \frac{hO_3}{k + k_O O_3}\right)
$$

=
$$
\left(a_F + \frac{hO_3}{k + k_O O_3} - 2a_F + a_O + \frac{fhkF_3}{(k + k_O O_3)^2}\right)
$$

=
$$
\frac{O_3(h - a_Fk_O) - a_Fk}{b_F(k + k_O O_3)} + a_O + \frac{fhkF_3}{(k + k_O O_3)^2} = F_3 + a_O + \frac{fhkF_3}{(k + k_O O_3)^2} > 0.
$$

Similarly, for the constant term, by dividing by a_O , denoting by *H* a positive quantity, we have:

$$
a_F + 2b_F F_3 - \frac{hO_3}{k + k_O O_3} + H > 0.
$$

Fig. 3 The equilibrium E_3 is stabile for the parameters $r_A = 4.85571$, $a_A = 13.2729$, $b_A = 11.6077$, $c = 12.7024$, $h = 11.4803$, $k = 2.3815$, $k_O = 1.11246$, $a_F = 1.40551$, $b_F = 1.95987$, $q_O = 65.3973$, $g = 16.7907, a_O = 15.374, f = 1$

Figure [3](#page-7-0) shows that for a chosen set of parameters the algae-free equilibrium, *E*3, is stably achieved.

For the coexistence equilibrium point we have the following result

Proposition 3.5 *There exists at least one feasible coexistence equilibrium* $E_4 = (A^*, F^*, O^*)$ *if the following three conditions hold:*

$$
\delta = b_F b_A - c^2 > 0, \quad r_A - a_A - b_A A^* > 0, \quad (a_F c + b_F)(k + k_O O^*)(r_A - a_A) > ch O^*
$$
\n(14)

and whenever it exists, it is stable.

Proof To find the conditions for the existence of the coexistence equilibrium point from the first equation of the system [\(2\)](#page-2-1) we get

$$
F = \frac{r_A - a_A - b_A A}{c}
$$

and substitute it into the remaining two equations. We solve these two equations with respect to *A* and we match the resulting expressions

$$
A = \frac{(a_F c + b_F)(r_A - a_A)(k + k_O O) - chO}{(k + k_O O)(b_F b_A - c^2)}
$$

=
$$
\frac{fhO(r_A - a_A) + c(a_O O - q_O)(k + k_O O)}{cg(k + k_O O) + fhb_A O}.
$$

Thus, we now have the following cubic polynomial in *O*:

$$
a_1O^3 + b_1O^2 + c_1O + d_1 = 0,\t\t(15)
$$

with

$$
a_1 = -a_0k_0^2 \delta
$$

\n
$$
b_1 = k_0 (fhc + b_F k_0 g)(r_A - a_A) + k_0 (k_0 q_0 - 2a_0 k) \delta
$$

\n
$$
+ (a_F k_0 - h)(fhb_A + ck_0 g)
$$

\n
$$
c_1 = k(fhc + 2b_F k_0 g)(r_A - a_A) + k(2k_0 q_0 - a_0 k) \delta
$$

\n
$$
+ chg(2a_F k_0 - h) + a_F k h b_A
$$

\n
$$
d_1 = a_F c k^2 g + k^2 q_0 \delta + b_F k^2 g(r_A - a_A).
$$

For $\delta = b_F b_A - c^2 > 0$, it follows $a_1 < 0$ and $d_1 > 0$. Thus the polynomial [\(15\)](#page-7-1) by the Descartes' rule of signs has at least one positive root *O*∗. For the feasibility of the equilibrium we need to have $F^* > 0$ and $A^* > 0$, providing thus the second and the third conditions in [\(14\)](#page-7-2).

To study the stability, the characteristic polynomial of [\(3\)](#page-2-2) evaluated at *E*⁴ gives the cubic equation

$$
det(J - \mu) = \mu^3 + R\mu^2 + S\mu + P = 0
$$

with

$$
R = b_A A^* + a_O + b_F F^* + \frac{f h k F^*}{(k + k_O O^*)^2} > 0
$$

\n
$$
S = A^* F^* \delta + b_F a_O F^* + \frac{f h k F^* (b_A A^* + b_F F^*)}{(k + k_O O^*)^2} + \frac{h^2 k F^* O^*}{(k + k_O O^*)^3} > 0
$$

\n
$$
P = \delta \left(a_O A^* F^* + \frac{f h k F^{*2} A^*}{(k + k_O O^*)^2} \right) + \frac{b_A A^* h^2 k F^* O^*}{(k + k_O O^*)^3} + \frac{c g h k A^* F^*}{(k + k_O O^*)^2} > 0.
$$

For $\delta = b_F b_A - c^2 > 0$, which holds by feasibility, the three eigenvalues are negative. Thus E_4 is stable whenever it is feasible. \Box

In Fig. [4](#page-9-0) we show that the coexistence equilibrium is stable for a selected set of parameter values.

In Table [2](#page-9-1) we summarize the feasibility and stability conditions for the five equilibrium points of model [\(1\)](#page-1-0).

In Fig. [5](#page-9-2) for a chosen set of parameters and using the same initial conditions, but changing the value of q_0 , the constant input of DO in the system, the stable coexistence equilibrium, E_4 , is obtained, left frame, while in the right frame instead E_2 is found. Thus, starting from the coexistence equilibrium, by decreasing the rate q_0 at which oxygen is supplied into the system, the fungi-free equilibrium is obtained.

Fig. 4 Two possible configurations for the equilibrium E_4 , $q_O = 0$ and $q_O = 1$. It is stable in the following cases. *Left*: $q_0 = 0$, the point (1.20, 0.30, 0.55) is achieved for the parameters $r_A = 1$, $a_A = 0.001$, $b_A = 0.8$, $c = 0.1224$, $h = 1.1$, $k = 1$, $k_O = 1$, $a_F = 0.001$, $b_F = 0.8$, $g = .1$, $a_O = 0.001$, $f = 1$. *Right*: $q_O = 1$, the point (1.08, 1.08, 10.15) is obtained for the same parameters as before but changing the value of q_0

Table 2 The feasibility and stability conditions for the five equilibrium points of model [\(1\)](#page-1-0)

Eq.	Feasibility conditions					Stability conditions					
E_0	$q_O = 0$						$r_A < a_A$				
E_1	None										
E_2	$r_A > a_A$									$r_A < a_A$ and $\frac{hqO}{kaO + kOqO} < a_F$ $\frac{hO_2}{kaO + k_OO_2} < a_F + cA_2$	
E_3	$O_3 > \frac{a_F k}{h - a_F k_O}$						$r_A < a_A + cF_3$				
E_4		$r_A - a_A - b_A A^* > 0$, $b_F b_A - c^2 > 0$ $(a_Fc + b_F)(k + k_O O^*)(r_A - a_A) > chO^*$					None				
$\overline{\mathbf{c}}$ \leq 1 $\mathbf 0$						$\overline{2}$ ≤ 1 Ω					
Ω 1 LL 0.5	10	20 time	30	40	50	Ω LL 0.5	10	20 time	30	40	50
0 $\mathbf 0$	10	20 time	30	40	50	$\mathbf 0$ \circ	10	20 time	30	40	50
10 O ₅						10 O ₅					
$\mathbf 0$ $\mathbf 0$	10	20 time	30	40	50	0 $\mathbf 0$	10	20 time	30	40	50

Fig. 5 *Left frame*: the equilibrium *E*₄ is stable for $q_0 = 30$; $r_A = 19.6445$, $a_A = 1.73234$, $b_A = 11.5828$, $c = 3.34324$, $h = 16.676$, $k = 12.4305$, $k_O = 0.517493$, $a_F = 3.04963$, $b_F = 1.3597$, $g = 11.5323$, $f = 0.835718$, $a_Q = 5.42261$ *Right frame*: the equilibrium E_2 at the stability for the same parameters as before and $q_O = 20$

4 The mathematical model with nutrients

In this section we consider another model in which the nutrients *N* are explicitly taken into account as a dependent dynamic variable. The model reads:

$$
\frac{dA}{dt} = g(N)A - e_A A - m_A A^2
$$
\n
$$
\frac{dF}{dt} = k(N, O)F - e_F F - m_F F^2
$$
\n
$$
\frac{dN}{dt} = q_N - rg(N)A - sk(N, O)F - e_N N
$$
\n
$$
\frac{dO}{dt} = q_O + g_A A - e_O O - c_O k(N, O)F
$$
\n(16)

with

$$
g(N) = \frac{h_A N}{k_A + k_N N} \text{ and } k(N, O) = \frac{k_1 N O}{k_2 + k_3 N + k_4 O + k_3 k_4 N O}.
$$

Note that in [\(16\)](#page-10-2) the growth rate of *A* is assumed to depend directly on *N*. This fact is expressed using a Monod equation, i.e. the function $g(N)$. The growth of *F* depends on both *N* and *O*, thus it is expressed by a product of two Monod equations in *N* and *O* respectively, giving the function *k*(*N*, *O*). All the parameters are nonnegative, and furthermore we assume *r*, *s*, $c_Q \geq 1$.

5 The qualitative analysis of the second model

To find the equilibrium points of the model, we need to solve the equilibrium equations of (16) , thus the system:

$$
\begin{cases}\nA [g(N) - e_A - m_A A] = 0 \\
F [k(N, 0) - e_F - m_F F] = 0 \\
q_N - rg(N)A - sk(N, 0)F - e_N N = 0 \\
q_O + g_A A - e_O O - c_O k(N, 0)F = 0\n\end{cases}
$$
\n(17)

Further, for the stability analysis, we need to calculate the Jacobian matrix of the system [\(1\)](#page-1-0)

$$
\widetilde{J} = \begin{bmatrix}\n\widetilde{J}_{1,1} & 0 & \widetilde{J}_{1,3} & 0 \\
0 & k(N, 0) - e_F - 2m_F F & \frac{dk(N, 0)}{dN} F & \frac{dk(N, 0)}{d0} F \\
\frac{rh_A N}{k_A + k_N N} & -sk(N, 0) & J_{3,3} & -s \frac{dk(N, 0)}{d0} F \\
g_A & -c_0 k(N, 0) & -c_0 \frac{dk(N, 0)}{dN} F & \widetilde{J}_{4,4}\n\end{bmatrix},
$$
\n(18)

with

$$
\widetilde{J}_{1,1} = \frac{h_A N}{k_A + k_N N} - e_A - 2m_A A, \quad \widetilde{J}_{1,3} = \frac{h_A (k_A + k_N N) A - k_N h_A N A}{(k_A + k_N N)^2},
$$
\n
$$
\widetilde{J}_{3,3} = -\frac{r h_A A (k_A + k_N N - k_N N)}{(k_A + k_N N)^2} - s \frac{d k(N, O)}{d N} F \quad \widetilde{J}_{4,4} = -e_O - c_O \frac{d k(N, O)}{d O} F
$$

Here

$$
\frac{dk(N, O)}{dN}, \frac{dk(N, O)}{dO}
$$

are the derivatives of *k*(*N*, *O*) with respect to *N* and *O* respectively.

Solving the equilibrium equations we obtain the analytic expressions of four equilibrium points. In addition, we prove that three other equilibria exist. We also show that all these points are conditionally locally asymptotically stable.

Proposition 5.1 *The trivial equilibrium point,* $\tilde{E}_0 = (0, 0, 0, 0)$ *, exists if*

$$
q_O = q_N = 0.\t\t(19)
$$

Furthermore, if it exists, it is stable.

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Proof For $A = F = N = O = 0$ in the system [\(17\)](#page-10-3) we obtain that \tilde{E}_0 exists if $q_O = q_N = 0$. The characteristic polynomial associated to the matrix [\(18\)](#page-10-4) evaluated at E_0 is

$$
\det(J - \mu) = (e_A + \mu)(e_F + \mu)(e_N + \mu)(e_O + \mu) = 0.
$$

All the eigenvalues are negative thus \tilde{E}_0 is stable if it exists.

In Fig. [6](#page-12-0) we show that for a chosen set of parameters the stability of \tilde{E}_0 is attained.

Proposition 5.2 *The algae-fungi-and-oxygen-free point, namely* $\tilde{E}_1 = (0, 0, q_N e_N^{-1})$ 0)*, exists if*

$$
q_O = 0.\t(20)
$$

Furthermore, it is stable if the following condition holds:

$$
e_A q_N k_N + e_A e_N k_A - h_A q_N > 0. \tag{21}
$$

Proof For $A = F = O = 0$ in the system [\(17\)](#page-10-3) we get that \tilde{E}_1 exists if $q_O = 0$. The characteristic polynomial associated to the matrix [\(18\)](#page-10-4) evaluated at E_1 is

$$
\det(\widetilde{J}-\mu) = \left(e_A - \frac{h_A q_N}{q_N k_N + e_N k_A} + \mu\right)(e_F + \mu)(e_N + \mu)(e_O + \mu) = 0.
$$

To have the stability of E_1 the condition [\(21\)](#page-11-0) must hold.

 \Box

Fig. 6 The equilibrium \tilde{E}_0 is stable for the parameter values $h_A = 1.26987$, $k_A = 9.13376$, $k_N = 6.32359$, $e_A = 0.975404$, $m_A = 2.78498$, $k_1 = 5.46882$, $k_2 = 9.57507$, $k_3 = 9.64889$, $k_4 = 1.57613$, $e_F =$ 9.70593, $m_F = 9.57167$, $q_N = 0$, $r = 1.41886$, $s = 4.21761$, $e_N = 4.85376$, $q_O = 0$, $g_A = 8.0028$, $e_O = 9.15736, c_O = 7.92207$

Fig. 7 The equilibrium \tilde{E}_0 is stable for the same parameter values as for Fig. [6](#page-12-0) and $q_N = 45.2896$

Figure [7](#page-12-1) shows that for a chosen set of parameters the stability of E_1 is attained.

Proposition 5.3 *The algae-fungi-and-nutrient-free point, namely* $\tilde{E}_2 = (0, 0, 0, q_0)$ *e*−¹ *^O*)*, exists if*

$$
q_N = 0.\t(22)
$$

Furthermore, if it exists it is stable.

Fig. 8 The equilibrium \tilde{E}_2 is stable for the same parameter values as for Fig. [6](#page-12-0) and $q_0 = 40.7362$

Proof For $A = F = N = 0$ in the system [\(17\)](#page-10-3) we get that \tilde{E}_2 exists if $q_N = 0$. The characteristic polynomial associated to the matrix [\(18\)](#page-10-4) evaluated at \tilde{E}_2 is

$$
\det(\widetilde{J} - \mu) = (e_A + \mu)(e_F + \mu)(e_N + \mu)(e_O + \mu) = 0.
$$

For stability all the eigenvalues must be negative thus \tilde{E}_2 is stable if it exists. \Box

Figure [8](#page-13-0) shows the stable equilibrium \tilde{E}_2 achieved for a chosen set of parameters.

Proposition 5.4 *The algae-and-fungi-free point,* $\tilde{E}_3 = (0, 0, q_N e_N^{-1}, q_O e_O^{-1})$, exists *always. Furthermore, it is stable if the following conditions hold*

$$
e_A q_N k_N + e_A e_N k_A - h_A q_N > 0 \tag{23}
$$

and

$$
\frac{k_1 q_N q_O}{q_N q_O k_3 k_4 + e_O q_N k_3 + e_N q_O k_4 + e_N e_O k_2} < e_F. \tag{24}
$$

Proof For $A = F = 0$ in the system [\(17\)](#page-10-3) we get that \tilde{E}_3 exists always. The charac-teristic polynomial associated to the matrix [\(18\)](#page-10-4) evaluated at \tilde{E}_2 is

$$
\det(\widetilde{J} - \mu) = \left(e_F - \frac{k - 1q_Nq_O}{q_Nq_Ok_3k_4 + e_Oq_Nk_3 + e_Nq_Ok_4 + e_Ne_Ok_2} + \mu\right) \times \left(e_A - \frac{h_Aq_N}{q_Nk_N + e_Nk_A} + \mu\right)(e_N + \mu)(e_O + \mu) = 0.
$$

To have all the eigenvalues negative [\(23\)](#page-13-1) and [\(24\)](#page-13-2) must hold, thus \tilde{E}_3 is stable. \Box

In Fig. [9](#page-14-0) we show that for a chosen set of parameters the stable equilibrium \tilde{E}_3 is attained.

Fig. 9 The equilibrium \tilde{E}_3 is stable for the same parameter values as for Fig. [6](#page-12-0) and $q_N = 45.2896$, $q_{O} = 40.7362$

Proposition 5.5 *The fungi-free point is in fact a set of multiple equilibria, namely* (*A*4, 0, *N*4, *O*4)*,* (*A*5, 0, *N*5, *O*5) *and* (*A*6, 0, *N*6, *O*6)*. Of them, only one is feasible, if*

$$
\frac{h_A N}{k_A + k_N N} > e_A \tag{25}
$$

and it is stable if

$$
N_4O_4e_Fk_3k_4 - N_4O_4k_1 + N_4e_Fk_3 + O_4e_Fk_4 + e_Fk_2 > 0 \tag{26}
$$

and

$$
B_1 > 0 \quad \text{and} \quad C_1 > 0 \tag{27}
$$

hold, with B_1 *and* C_1 *as below.*

Proof **Part 1: Existence**

For $F = 0$ the system [\(17\)](#page-10-3) becomes,

$$
\begin{cases}\nA [g(N) - e_A - m_A A] = 0 \\
q_N - r g(N)A - e_N N = 0 \\
q_O + g_A A - e_O O = 0 \\
F = 0\n\end{cases}
$$
\n(28)

Solving the third equation of (28) with respect to O we find

$$
O = \frac{q_0 + g_A A}{e_0} > 0,\tag{29}
$$

and from the first equation we obtain *A*,

$$
A = \frac{g(N) - e_A}{m_A}.\tag{30}
$$

For the feasibility of \tilde{E}_4 we need to ask the positivity of [\(30\)](#page-15-1), thus condition [\(25\)](#page-14-2) must hold. Substituting the expression of *A* previously found into the second equation of the system [\(28\)](#page-14-1), a third degree polynomial in *N* is obtained,

$$
a_2N^3 + b_2N^2 + c_2N + d_2 = 0,\t\t(31)
$$

with

$$
a_2 = k_N^2 m_A e_N > 0
$$

\n
$$
b_2 = 2k_A k_N m_A e_N + rh_A^2 - k_N^2 m_A q_N - r e_A h_A k_N
$$

\n
$$
c_2 = k_A^2 m_A e_N - 2k_A k_N m_A q_N - r e_A h_A k_A
$$

\n
$$
d_2 = -k_A^2 m_A q_N < 0.
$$

Since $a_2 > 0$ and $d_2 < 0$ by Descartes' rule of signs the third degree polynomial [\(31\)](#page-15-0) in *N* has at least one positive root. We will show below that there is exactly one such root. In Table [3](#page-15-2) the only four possible cases are summarized.

The third case is impossible, in fact assuming that $b_2 < 0$ and $c_2 > 0$ we find

$$
b_2 = k_N(k_A m_A e_N + k_A m_A e_N - k_N m_A q_N - r e_A h_A) + r h_A^2 < 0.
$$

Let us set

$$
Q = k_A m_A e_N - k_N m_A q_N - r e_A h_A < -\frac{r h_A^2}{k_N} - k_A m_A e_N < 0
$$

thus

$$
c_2 = k_A(Q - k_N m_A q_N) < 0.
$$

But this is a contradiction with the assumption $c_2 > 0$.

Thus there is only one positive equilibrium

$$
\tilde{E}_4 = \left(\frac{g(N_4) - e_A}{m_A}, 0, N_4, \frac{q_O + g_A A_4}{e_O}\right),
$$

where N_4 is the real positive root of (31) .

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Table 3 The four possible ca for the signs of the coefficient of the third degree equation (3)

Fig. 10 The equilibrium \tilde{E}_4 is stable for the set of parameter values $h_A = 7.04047$, $k_A = 4.42305$, $k_N = 0.195776$, $e_A = 3.30858$, $m_A = 4.24309$, $k_1 = 2.7027$, $k_2 = 1.97054$, $k_3 = 8.21721$, $k_4 =$ 4.29921, $e_F = 8.87771$, $m_F = 3.91183$, $q_N = 34.1708$, $r = 8.08514$, $s = 7.55077$, $e_N = 7.69114$, $q_O = 19.7354, g_A = 3.96792, e_O = 3.77396, c_O = 2.16019$

Part 2: Stability

The characteristic polynomial associated to the matrix (18) evaluated at \tilde{E}_4 is

$$
det(\widetilde{J} - \mu) = \left(\frac{N_4 O_4 e_F k_3 k_4 - N_4 O_4 k_1 + N_4 e_F k_3 + O_4 e_F k_4 + e_F k_2}{N_4 O_4 k_3 k_4 + N_4 k_3 + O_4 k_4 + k_2} + \mu\right) \times (e_O + \mu)(A_1 \mu^2 + B_1 \mu + C_1) = 0,
$$

with

$$
A_{1} = N_{4}^{2}k_{N}^{2} + 2N_{4}k_{A}k_{N} + k_{A}^{2} > 0,
$$

\n
$$
B_{1} = 2AN_{4}^{2}k_{N}^{2}m_{A} + 4AN_{4}k_{A}k_{N}m_{A} + N_{4}^{2}(e_{A}k_{N}^{2} + e_{N}k_{N}^{2}) + Ah_{A}k_{A}r + 2Ak_{A}^{2}m_{A} +
$$

\n
$$
-N_{4}^{2}h_{A}k_{N} + 2N_{4}(e_{A}k_{A}k_{N} + e_{N}k_{A}k_{N}) - N_{4}h_{A}k_{A} + e_{A}k_{A}^{2} + e_{N}k_{A}^{2}
$$

\n
$$
C_{1} = 2AN_{4}^{2}e_{N}k_{N}^{2}m_{A} + 2A^{2}h_{A}k_{A}m_{A}r + 4AN_{4}e_{N}k_{A}k_{N}m_{A} + N_{4}^{2}e_{A}e_{N}k_{N}^{2} +
$$

\n
$$
+ Ae_{A}h_{A}k_{A}r + 2Ae_{N}k_{A}^{2}m_{A}
$$

\n
$$
-N_{4}^{2}e_{N}h_{A}k_{N} + 2N_{4}e_{A}e_{N}k_{A}k_{N} - N_{4}e_{N}h_{A}k_{A} + e_{A}e_{N}k_{A}^{2}.
$$

To have all the eigenvalues negative (26) and (27) must hold, thus \tilde{E}_4 is stable. \Box

In Fig. [10](#page-16-0) we show that for a chosen set of parameters the stability of E_4 is attained.

Proposition 5.6 *There exist at least one feasible algae-free point,*

$$
\tilde{E}_5 = \left(0, \frac{k(N_5, O_5) - e_F}{m_F}, N_5, \frac{e_N c_O N_5 - q_N c_O + q_O s}{e_O s}\right),
$$

if

$$
k(N_5, O_5) - e_F > 0, \quad e_N c_O N_5 - q_N c_O + q_O s > 0, \quad f_3 < 0. \tag{32}
$$

*where f*³ *is given below in [\(40\)](#page-17-0). Furthermore, it is stable if the following condition holds:*

$$
e_A k_N N_5 + e_A k_A - h_A N_5 > 0,
$$
\n(33)

and the Routh–Hurwitz criteria hold

$$
\frac{B_2}{A_2} > 0, \quad \frac{C_2}{A_2} > 0, \quad \frac{B_2 C_2}{A_2^2} > \frac{D_2}{A_2}.
$$
 (34)

Proof **Part 1: Existence**

For $A = 0$ the system [\(17\)](#page-10-3) becomes,

$$
\begin{cases}\nF[k(N, 0) - e_F - m_F F] = 0 \\
q_N - sk(N, 0)F - e_N N = 0 \\
q_O - e_O O - c_O k(N, 0)F = 0 \\
A = 0\n\end{cases}
$$
\n(35)

We solve the first equation of (35) with respect to F , and we get

$$
F = \frac{k(N, O) - e_F}{m_F}.\tag{36}
$$

Solving the second and the third equations of [\(35\)](#page-17-1) with respect to *F* and equating them we find an expression in *O*

$$
F = \frac{q_N - e_N N}{sk(N, O)} = \frac{q_O - e_O O}{c_O k(N, O)},
$$
\n(37)

and from [\(37\)](#page-17-2) we get *O*,

$$
O = \frac{e_N c_O N - q_N c_O + q_O s}{e_O s}.
$$
\n(38)

Substituting [\(36\)](#page-17-3) into the third equation of [\(35\)](#page-17-1) we get a fifth degree polinomial in *N*

$$
a_3N^5 + b_3N^4 + c_3N^3 + d_3N^2 + e_3N + f_3 = 0,
$$
\n(39)

with

$$
a_3 = c_0^2 e_N^3 k_3^2 k_4^2 m_F > 0
$$

\n
$$
f_3 = -m_F q_N \left[c_0 k_4 q_N (c_0 k_4 q_N - 2e_0 k_2 s - 2k_4 q_0 s) + (e_0 k_2 s + k_4 q_0 s)^2 \right], (40)
$$

and b_3 , c_3 , d_3 and e_3 are defined in Appendix A. Since $a_3 > 0$, to have at least one positive root of [\(39\)](#page-17-4) *f*³ must be negative.

Fig. 11 The equilibrium E_5 is stable for the set of parameter values $h_A = 0.647781$, $k_A = 4.86608$, $k_N = 0.55182$ 9.93558, *eA* = 3.89696, *mA* = 7.01721, *k*¹ = 2.14784, *k*² = 4.99448, *k*³ = 0.556305, *k*⁴ = 0.354883, $e_F = 4.89305$, $m_F = 2.94844$, $q_N = 40.5671$, $r = 3.15619$, $s = 7.82938$, $e_N = 0.648179$, $q_O = 15$ $, g_A = 7.00175, e_O = 1.80741, c_O = 0.243628$

Part 2: Stability

The characteristic polynomial associated to the matrix (18) evaluated at \tilde{E}_5 is

$$
\det(\widetilde{J} - \mu) = (A_2\mu^3 + B_2\mu^2 + C_2\mu + D_2) \left(\frac{e_A k_N N + e_A k_A - h_A N}{k_N N + k_A} + \mu \right) = 0.
$$

Requiring the negativity of all the eigenvalues, conditions (33) and (34) must hold. \Box

In Fig. [11](#page-18-0) we show that for a chosen set of parameters E_5 is stably attained.

Numerically, the coexistence equilibrium point, $\tilde{E}_6 = (A_6, F_6, N_6, O_6)$ exists for a chosen set of parameters. From the first and the second equations of system [\(35\)](#page-17-1) we obtain the analytical expressions for *A* and *O*, as functions of *N* and *F*,

$$
A = \frac{h_A N - e_A k_N N - e_A k_A}{k_A m_A + m_A k_N N} \tag{41}
$$

and

$$
O = \frac{e_F k_2 + e_F k_3 N + m_F k_2 F + m_F k_3 N F}{k_1 N - e_F k_4 - e_F k_3 k_4 N - m_F k_4 F - m_F k_3 k_4 N F}.
$$
(42)

For the feasibility of the coexistence equilibrium we must have $A > 0$ and $O > 0$. Substituting *A* and *O* from [\(41\)](#page-18-1) and [\(42\)](#page-18-2) respectively, into the third and fourth equa-tions of [\(35\)](#page-17-1) we get two expressions in *F* and *N*, say $H(F, N)$ and $G(F, N)$. In Fig. [12](#page-19-0) we plot the intersection point between the two expressions.

The characteristic polynomial associated to E_6 is:

$$
\tilde{A}\mu^4 + \tilde{B}\mu^3 + \tilde{C}\mu^2 + \tilde{D}\mu + \tilde{E} = 0,
$$

Fig. 13 The equilibrium \tilde{E}_6 is stable for the set of parameter values $h_A = 5.40106$, $k_A = 3.1111$, $k_N = 0.712346, e_A = 1.8198, m_A = 0.929889, k_1 = 4.63489, k_2 = 0.0933251, k_3 = 9.15026,$ $k_4 = 6.42742, e_F = 0.0141906, m_F = 0.303853, q_N = 27.1407, r = 1.27266, s = 0.0864769,$ $e_N = 2.0847$, $g_A = 4.54966$, $e_O = 7.2708$, $c_O = 3.54116$; On the *left*: $q_O = 47.7051$; On the *right*: $q_O = 0$

where \tilde{A} , \tilde{B} , \tilde{C} , \tilde{D} and \tilde{E} are expressions depending on the parameters of the system. If the Routh–Hurwitz conditions hold E_6 is stable.

In Fig. [13](#page-19-1) we show that for a chosen set of parameters E_6 is stably attained. For q_{O} = 47.7051, \tilde{E}_6 = (2.7090, 0.2036, 5.8428, 8.2499) while for q_{O} = 0, \tilde{E}_6 = (2.7090, 0.1861, 5.8428, 1.6889). From Fig. [13,](#page-19-1) if there is no external input of oxygen into the system only the oxygen population is affected.

In Table [4](#page-20-1) we summarize the feasibility and stability conditions for the seven equilibrium points of model [\(16\)](#page-10-2).

Eq.	Feasibility conditions	Stability conditions
\tilde{E}_0	$q_O = q_N = 0$	None
E_1	$q_O = 0$	$e_A q_N k_N + e_A e_N k_A - h_A q_N > 0$
E_2	$q_N=0$	None
\tilde{E} 3	None	$e_A q_N k_N + e_A e_N k_A - h_A q_N > 0$ and $k_1q_Nq_O$ \lt e ϵ $\frac{1}{q_N q_0 k_3 k_4 + e_0 q_N k_3 + e_N q_0 k_4 + e_N e_0 k_2}$
	\tilde{E}_4 $\frac{h_A N}{k_A + k_B N} > e_A$	$N_4O_4(e_F k_3 k_4 - k_1) + N_4e_F k_3 + O_4e_F k_4 + e_F k_2 > 0$ $B_1 > 0$ and $C_1 > 0$
\tilde{E}_5	$k(N_5, Q_5) - e_F > 0, \quad f_3 < 0,$	$\frac{B_2}{A_2} > 0$, $\frac{C_2}{A_2} > 0$, $\frac{B_2 C_2}{A_2^2} > \frac{D_2}{A_2}$
	$e_N c_O N_5 - q_N c_O + q_O s > 0$	$e_{A}k_{N}N_{5}+e_{A}k_{A}-h_{A}N_{5}>0,$
\tilde{E}_6	Numerically	Routh–Hurwitz conditions

Table 4 The feasibility and stability conditions for the five equilibrium points of model [\(16\)](#page-10-2)

Table 5 Summary of the equilibrium points of the models [\(1\)](#page-1-0) and [\(16\)](#page-10-2)

Interpretation	Equilibria of (1)	Equilibria of (16)	Interpretation
Ecosystem Collapse	$E_0 = (0, 0, 0)$	$\tilde{E}_0 = (0, 0, 0, 0)$	ecosystem collapse
		$E_1 = (0, 0, *, 0)$ $\tilde{E}_2 = (0, 0, 0, *)$	nutrient-only oxygen-only
Algae-and-fungi-free	$E_1 = (0, 0, *)$	$E_3 = (0, 0, *, *)$	algae-and-fungi-free
Fungi-free	$E_2 = (*, 0, *)$	$\tilde{E}_4 = (*, 0, *, *)$	fungi-free
Algae-free	$E_3 = (0, *, *)$	$\tilde{E}_5 = (0, *, *, *)$	algae-free
Coexistence	$E_4 = (*, *, *)$	$\tilde{E}_6 = (*, *, *, *)$	coexistence

6 Comparison between the models without and with nutrients

In Table [5](#page-20-2) we summarize the equilibrium points of the models (1) and (16) .

For each fixed point of (1) we find a corresponding equilibrium of (16) . In addition, the mathematical system with nutrients explicitly modeled has two more equilibria. From the above summarizing Tables [2](#page-9-1) and [4](#page-20-1) we observe the differences between the conditions needed for the feasibility and stability of the various equilibria.

In both cases the ecosystem may collapse, but while it is enough not to feed oxygen and nutrients into system (16) to achieve this status, as $\mathbf{\vec{E}}_0$ is unconditionally stable, for [\(1\)](#page-1-0) even disrupting the inflow of oxygen, harldly thinkable in view of the fact that some will always enter into the waterbody from the atmosphere, to obtain the stability of this outcome a further condition must hold [\(5\)](#page-2-3). Thus in this case it is possible to avoid the system's collapse if the algae reproduction rate r_A exceeds their mortality rate a_A . On the other hand, if we consider also nutrients in the system, a similar situation

can be obtained in [\(16\)](#page-10-2) with no algae, nor fungi nor oxygen, if condition [\(21\)](#page-11-0) holds. In such case, to avoid collapse, the parameters appearing in the response function $g(N)$ should be suitably tuned together with the nutrients input flow rate q_N .

This very same condition (21) together with (24) ensures the stability of the algaeand-fungi-free equilibrium \tilde{E}_3 in [\(16\)](#page-10-2). In the simpler model [\(1\)](#page-1-0) less involved conditions must hold for the corresponding situation, i.e. the point E_1 , namely giving lower bounds on the fungi and algae mortality rates.

Instead there is a second equilibrium in (16) giving this very same outcome, \tilde{E}_2 . It is achieved if the nutrients supply stops, and in such case it is unconditionally stable. Evidently, this is a considerable difference among the two models. Whether nutrients are taken into account or not appears to have a substantial effect on the ecosystem behaviour.

To obtain the fungi-free situation, equilibrium E_2 in [\(1\)](#page-1-0), the growth rate of algae should be greater than the mortality rate for feasibility [\(7\)](#page-3-1), while for its stability the fungi mortality rate should be high enough [\(8\)](#page-3-2), although in this condition the algae level also helps in satisfying it. For the corresponding equilibrium in (16) , E_4 , the feasibility condition imposes restrictions on the response function $g(N)$, for stability the conditions are much more involved, see (26) and (27) .

The feasibility condition of the algae-free point *E*³ relies on a high enough level of the oxygen in the first model, while in the second one, equilibrium \overline{E}_5 , it depends on both oxygen and the nutrients and further also on a high level of nutrients, see [\(32\)](#page-17-7). It therefore may give a more relaxed condition. In other words, nutrients may help to deplete the algae. Stability of this outcome in [\(1\)](#page-1-0) is obtained if the algae reproduction rate is bounded above by their mortality augmented by a quantity that depends on the fungi equilibrium level. Thus even in a highly reproducing environment, a suitable quantity of fungi may avoid eutrophization of the waters. It is very hard to assess the meaning of the corresponding stability conditions in the model [\(16\)](#page-10-2) in view of the fact that they are quite involved, (33) , (34) .

The coexistence equilibrium E_4 of the model [\(1\)](#page-1-0) is always stable if it exists while for the model [\(16\)](#page-10-2) the existence of E_6 is shown numerically and for its stability the Routh–Hurwitz conditions must hold. For both E_4 and E_6 we have made numerical simulations with two fixed set of parameters varying only the input of oxygen q_0 . The results are quite interesting. For the equilibrium E_4 changing q_0 from 0 to 1 leads to a significant increase in the DO concentration and in the fungi biomass, respectively, see Fig. [4.](#page-9-0) For E_6 changing q_O from 0 to 47.7051 only the concentration of DO will increase while *A*, *F* and *N* will remain at the same value, see Fig. [13.](#page-19-1)

7 Conclusions

A three dimensional, nonlinear mathematical model has been introduced and analysed. In addition to the trivial equilibrium, four additional equilibrium points have been found. Their stability was been completely analysed. For a chosen set of parameters with the same initial conditions we get the stability of the coexistence equilibrium, *E*4, both in the absence, $q_0 = 0$, and with full, $q_0 = 1$, external oxygen supply, Fig. [4.](#page-9-0) Thus the constant input of DO is not necessarily needed if the parameters are chosen

appropriately, to have a viable system. In fact algae contribution of DO to the system is enough for the fungi utilization. The simulations of Fig. [5](#page-9-2) instead show that the DO concentration should not drop below a critical threshold, because in such situation the fungi may disappear. Such a loss would be detrimental for the ecosystem.

One of the hypothesis of the model is the competition for food between algae and fungi, but in an indirect way the results indicate that algae help the fungi growth by producing DO.

Also a four dimensional, nonlinear mathematical model has been analysed. The model was built starting from [\(1\)](#page-1-0) in which the equation of nutrients was introduced explicitly.

Seven equilibrium points were found among which three of them exist if no external input of oxygen and/or nutrient is considered, one of them exist always and three other need feasibility conditions. For six of them we found the analytical expression or we proved their existence analytically, while for the coexistence equilibrium we used numerical methods. For the equilibrium stability we found that two of them are stable without conditions and the remaining ones are locally conditionally stable.

As for the system (1) in Fig. [13](#page-19-1) one can see that the coexistence equilibrium E_6 can be reached even without constant input of oxygen from the external environment, thus the algae population helps indirectly the fungi population.

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8 Appendix A

$$
b_3 = -3c_0^2 e_N^2 k_3^2 k_4^2 m_F q_N + 2c_0 e_N^2 k_3^2 k_4^2 m_F q_0 s - c_0^2 e_F e_N^2 k_1 k_3 k_4 s ++2c_0^2 e_N^3 k_3 k_4^2 m_F + 2c_0 e_N^2 e_N^2 k_4^2 m_F s + c_0^2 e_N^2 k_1^2 s(43)
$$
c_3 = 3c_0^2 e_N k_3^2 k_4^2 m_F q_N^2 - 4c_0 e_N k_3^2 k_4^2 m_F q_N q_0 s + e_N k_3^2 k_4^2 m_F q_0^2 s^2 ++2c_0^2 e_F e_N k_1 k_3 k_4 q_N s - 6c_0^2 e_N^2 k_3 k_4^2 m_F q_N - 2c_0 e_F e_N k_1 k_3 k_4 q_0 s^2 ++2c_0 e_N^2 e_0 k_2 k_3 k_4 m_F s + 4c_0 e_N^2 k_3 k_4^2 m_F q_0 s - 4c_0 e_N e_0 k_3^2 k_4 m_F q_N s ++2e_N e_0 k_3^2 k_4 m_F q_0 s^2 - c_0^2 e_F e_N^2 k_1 k_4 s + c_0^2 e_N^3 k_4^2 m_F - c_0 e_F e_N e_0 k_1 k_3 s^2 ++2c_0 e_N^2 e_0 k_3 k_4 m_F s + e_N e_0^2 k_3^2 m_F s^2 - 2c_0^2 e_N k_1^2 q_N s + 2c_0 e_N k_1^2 q_0 s^2+c_0^2 e_F k_1 k_3 k_4 q_N^2 s + 6c_0^2 k_3^2 m_F q_N^2 q_0 s - k_3^2 k_4^2 m_F q_N q_0^2 s^2 -+c_0^2 e_F k_1 k_3 k_4 q_N^2 s + 6c_0^2 e_N k_3 k_4^2 m_F q_N^2 + 2c_0 e_F k_1 k_3 k_4 q_N q_0 s^2 -+4c_0 e_N e_0 k_2 k_3 k_4 m_F q_N s - 8c_0 e_N k_3 k_4^2 m_F q_N q_0 s + 2c_0 e_0 k_3^2 k_4 m_F q_N^2 s -
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+3cO2eN k42mF qN2 + cO eF eO k1 k2 qN s2 + 2cO eF k1 k4 qN qO s2 -+4cO eN eO k2 k4 mF qN s - 4cO eN k42mF qN qO s + 2cO eO k3 k4 mF qN2s -+eF eO k1 k2 qO s3 - eF k1 k4 qO2s3 + eN eO2k22mFs2 ++2eN eO k2 k4 mF qO s2 + eN k42mF qO2s2 - 2eO2k2 k3 mF qN s2 -+2eO k3 k4 mF qN qO s2
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