Modelling the Effects of Vertical Transmission in Mosquito and the Use of Imperfect Vaccine on Chikungunya Virus Transmission Dynamics

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Abstract

In this paper, a deterministic mathematical model for Chikungunya virus (Chikv) transmission and control is developed and analyzed to underscore the effect of vaccinating a proportion of the susceptible human, and vertical transmission in mosquito population. The disease free, and endemic equilibrium states were obtained and the conditions for the local and global stability or otherwise were given. Sensitivity analysis of the effective reproductive number, $R_e$ (the number of secondary infections resulting from the introduction of a single infected individual into a population where a proportion is fairly protected) shows that the recruitment rate of susceptible mosquito ($M_\Lambda$) and the proportion of infectious new births from infected mosquito ($\beta$) are the most sensitive parameters. Bifurcation analysis of the model using center manifold theory reveals that the model undergoes backward bifurcation (coexistence of disease free and endemic equilibrium when $R_e<1$). Numerical simulation of the model shows that vaccination of susceptible human population with imperfect vaccine will have a positive impact and that vertical transmission in mosquito population has a negligible effect. To the best of our knowledge, our model is the first to incorporate vaccinated human compartment and vertical transmission in (Chikv) model.

Keywords

Chikungunya Virus, Stability, Equilibrium, Vaccination, Endemic

1. Introduction

Chikungunya is a mosquito-borne viral disease that was first observed in Tanzania.
nia in 1952 [1]. In 1964, there was epidemic of Chikungunya in Vellore, Calcutta and Maharashtra state/provinces of India [2]. Ibadan, South Western Nigeria witnessed an epidemic of Chikungunya virus in 1969 when the virus was isolated from 49 patients [3]. The disease has been identified in over 60 countries in Asia, Africa, Europe and America, and the name describes the stooping appearance of the sufferers [4]. It is an RNA virus that belongs to the alphavirus genus and the family [5]. The symptoms include abrupt onset of fever accompanied by joint pain, muscle pain headache, nausea and rash [6]. Occasionally the infection may go unrecognized or be misdiagnosed and could be acute, sub-acute and chronic.

In recent years, the virus has risen from relatively obscurity to become a global public health menace affecting millions of persons throughout the tropical and subtropical regions of the world and as such has also become a frequent cause of travel associated febrile illness [7]. The virus is transmitted through the bite of female *Aedes aegypti* and *Aedes albopictus* mosquitoes. *Aedes aegypti* breeds in the ubiquitous small pools of water found around human habitation [8]. Unlike *Aedes aegypti* which exists in tropical and subtropical area, *Aedes albopictus* can also thrive in temperate regions, thus potentially introducing Chikungunya to new ecological niche [9]. These species of mosquitoes are found biting throughout the daylight hours. Mother to child transmission of Chikungunya virus has been reported [10].

Diagnosis is by confirming the presence of anti-Chikungunya antibody in the patient. At the moment, there is no vaccine or treatment for the disease. Protection is by covering of exposed skin with long pants and long sleeved shirts, insect repellents and insecticide treated mosquito nets. Since the beginning of the 19th century, mathematical model has become a veritable tool in the study of vector-borne diseases [11] [12] [13]. For (Chikv), we cite the following work, DuMont and Domerg [14], propose a model, including human and mosquito compartments that are associated with the time course of the first epidemic of Chikungunya in Reunion Island. Using entomological results, they investigated the links between the episode of 2005 and the outbreak of 2006. Moulay, Azziz and Cadivel [15], developed a Chikungunya transmission model for the spread of the epidemic in both humans and mosquitoes, the model involves a temporal dynamics of vector (*Aedes albopictus*), depending on climatic factors. In the study, they provided estimates of the transmission potential of the virus and assessed the efficacy of the measures undertaken by public health authorities to control the epidemic spread in Italy. Ruiz et al. [16], analyzed the potential risk of Chikungunya introduction into the US, their study combines a climate-based mosquito population dynamics stochastic model with an epidemiological model to identify temporal windows that have epidemic risk.

Pongsumpun and Sangsawang [17], model studied theoretically an age-structured model for Chikungunya involving juvenile and adult human populations, giving conditions for the disease-free and endemic states respectively. They also sug-
gested alternative way for controlling the disease. Yakob and Clements [18],
analysed a simple, deterministic mathematical model for the transmission of
the virus between humans and mosquitoes. They fitted the model to the large Reu-
nion epidemic data and estimated the type reproduction number for Chikungu-
nya, their model provided a close approximation of both the peak incidence of
the outbreak and the final epidemic size.

In this work, we proposed a deterministic mathematical model for the spread,
and control of Chikungunya. Our model attempt to bridge identified gaps in the works
cited above. Specifically, our model incorporated an imperfect vaccinated human
compartment and vertical transmission in the mosquito population.

2. Model Formulation

The chic model is represented by nine non-linear ordinary differential equation
consisting of human-sub population and mosquito sub-population. The human
sub-population is divided into; susceptible human $S_H$, vaccinated human $V_H$, 
exposed human $E_H$, infected symptomatic human $I_1$, infected asymptomatic
human $I_2$, recovered Human $R$, such that the total human population,

$$N_H = S_H + V_H + E_H + I_1 + I_2 + R.$$ 

While the mosquito sub-population is divided into; susceptible mosquito $S_M$, exposed mosquito $E_M$, and infected mosquito $I_3$, such that the total mosquito population, $N_M = S_M + E_M + I_3$.

The parameters of the model and their values are given in Table 1, while Figure 1 is the schematic diagram of the transmission dynamics.

The susceptible human sub-population is generated at a constant rate $\Lambda_H$, which includes birth and immigration. The vaccinated population is generated as members of the susceptible population receive vaccination at the rate $\nu$, a proportion of the vaccinated with time lose their immunity at the rate $\psi$ as their vaccine wanes and move back to the susceptible population. Member of the susceptible and vaccinated populations acquire infection at the rate $\alpha b_C I_M N_H$ and $\alpha b_C I_M (1-\varepsilon) N_H$ respectively and move to the exposed population, where $\alpha$ is the probability of infection, $b_C$ biting rate of mosquito and $\varepsilon$ (where $0 < \varepsilon < 1$) is the efficacy of the imperfect vaccine. Members of the exposed population move to either symptomatic infectious population at the rate $\sigma_1$ or to asymptomatic infectious population at the rate $(1-\sigma_1)$. The recovered population is generated as both symptomatic and asymptomatic infected populations recover with lifelong immunity at the rate $\gamma$. All human population are decreased by natural death at the rate $\mu$, except the two infected populations that are decreased by disease induced death at the rate $\delta$.

The susceptible mosquito population is generated by $\Lambda_M$, this population is
decreased by birth from infected mosquito (vertical transmission) at the rate $\beta M I_M$; and as its members take a blood meal from either symptomatic or asymptomatic infected human (horizontal transmission) at the rate $\alpha$. The
exposed mosquito population progresses to infected mosquito population at the rate $\sigma_2$. It is assumed that births from infected mosquito do not pass through the exposed class. All sub-populations of mosquito die naturally at the rate $\mu_2$.

**Table 1.** Parameters of the model Equations (1) to (9).

| Parameters | Meaning | Value | Reference |
|------------|---------|-------|-----------|
| $\Lambda_u$ | Recruitment rate of susceptible human | 0.073 | [19] |
| $\alpha$ | Contact rate of susceptible human when bitten by Aides Mosquitoes | 0.24 | [19] |
| $\mu$ | Natural death of human | 0.000039 | [20] |
| $\sigma$ | Progression rate of exposed human to Symptomatic and Asymptomatic | 0.33 | [21] |
| $\delta$ | Death rate of human due to virus infection | 0.02 | Assumed |
| $\gamma$ | Recovery rate of infectious human | 0.68 | [15] |
| $\Lambda_m$ | Birth rate of Susceptible Aides Mosquitoes | 83.75 | [20] [22] |
| $\beta$ | Proportion of infectious new birth from infected Aides Mosquitoes | 0.00005 | Assumed |
| $\alpha$ | The rate at which susceptible Aides become infectious | 0.24 | [19] |
| $\sigma$ | Progression rate of exposed Aedes | 0.285 | Assumed |
| $\mu$ | Natural death rate of Aides | 0.0714 | [21] [23] |
| $\nu$ | The rate at which susceptible human receive vaccine | Variable |
| $\psi$ | The rate at which vaccine wane | Variable |
| $\varepsilon$ | Vaccine efficacy where $0 < \varepsilon < 1$ | Variable |
| $b_m$ | Biting rate of mosquito | 0.25 | [19] [24] |

**Figure 1.** Schematic diagram of Chikungunya virus transmission dynamics, Equations (1) to (9).
2.1. The Model Equation

From the model formulation, and schematic diagram Figure 1, we hereby present the model equations.

\[
\frac{dS_H}{dt} = \Lambda_H + \nu V_H - \frac{\alpha b_M S_H I_M}{N_H} - (\nu + \mu_H) S_H, \tag{1}
\]

\[
\frac{dV_H}{dt} = \nu S_H - \frac{\alpha b_M (1-\varepsilon)V_H I_M}{N_H} - (\nu + \mu_H) V_H, \tag{2}
\]

\[
\frac{dE_H}{dt} = \frac{\alpha b_M I_M}{N_H} (S_H + (1-\varepsilon)V_H) - (\sigma_1 + \mu_H) E_H, \tag{3}
\]

\[
\frac{dI_1}{dt} = \sigma_1 E_H - (\gamma + \mu_H + \delta) I_1, \tag{4}
\]

\[
\frac{dI_2}{dt} = (1-\sigma_1) E_H - (\gamma + \mu_H + \delta) I_2, \tag{5}
\]

\[
\frac{dR}{dt} = \gamma I_1 + \gamma I_2 - \mu_R, \tag{6}
\]

\[
\frac{dS_M}{dt} = \Lambda_M - \frac{\alpha b_M S_M(I_1 + I_2)}{N_H} - \beta \Lambda_M I_M - \mu_2 S_M, \tag{7}
\]

\[
\frac{dE_M}{dt} = \frac{\alpha_2 S_M b_M (I_1 + I_2)}{N_H} + \beta \Lambda_M I_M - (\sigma_2 + \mu_2) E_M, \tag{8}
\]

\[
\frac{dI_M}{dt} = \sigma_2 E_M - \mu_2 I_M. \tag{9}
\]

Adding (1) to (6) gives

\[
\frac{dN_H}{dt} = \Lambda_H - \delta (I_1 + I_2) - \mu_H N_H. \tag{10}
\]

Also adding (7) to (9), gives

\[
\frac{dN_M}{dt} = \Lambda_M - \mu_2 N_M. \tag{11}
\]

where

\[
N_H(t) = S_H(t) + V_H(t) + E_H(t) + I_1(t) + I_2(t) + R(t), \tag{12}
\]

\[
N_M(t) = S_M(t) + E_M(t) + I_M(t). \tag{13}
\]

(12) and (13) are the total human population and Aides mosquito population respectively.

2.2. Basic Properties

For the Chikungunya model (1) to (9) to be epidemiological meaningful, it is necessary to prove that all its state variables are non-negative for all time. This means that the solution of the model Equations (1) to (9) with non-negative initial data will remain non-negative for all time \( t > 0 \).

Lemma 1.
The closed set
\[
D = \left\{ \left( S_H, V_H, E_H, I_1, I_2, R, S_M, E_M, I_M \right) \in \mathbb{R}_+^9 : \\
S_H, V_H, E_H, I_1, I_2, R, S_M, E_M, I_M \leq \frac{\Lambda_H}{\mu_1}, \frac{\Lambda_M}{\mu_2} \right\}.
\]

is positively-invariant and attracting with respect to the basic model Equations (1) to (9).

**Proof**

From Equations (10) and (11);
\[
\frac{dN_H}{dt} \leq \Lambda_H - \mu_1 N_H, \quad \frac{dN_M}{dt} \leq \Lambda_M - \mu_2 N_M.
\]

It follows that \(\frac{dN_H}{dt} < 0\) and \(\frac{dN_M}{dt} < 0\) if \(N_H(t) > \frac{\Lambda_H}{\mu_1}\) and \(N_M(t) > \frac{\Lambda_M}{\mu_2}\) respectively. Thus a standard comparison theorem as in Lakshmikantham and Martynyuk, [25] can be used to show that
\[
N_H(t) \leq N_H(0)e^{-\mu_1 t} + \frac{\Lambda_M}{\mu_1} \left(1 - e^{-\mu_1 t}\right)
\]
and
\[
N_M(t) \leq N_M(0)e^{-\mu_2 t} + \frac{\Lambda_M}{\mu_2} \left(1 - e^{-\mu_2 t}\right).
\]

In particular \(N_H(t) \leq \frac{\Lambda_H}{\mu_1}\) and \(N_M(t) \leq \frac{\Lambda_M}{\mu_2}\) respectively. Thus \(D\) is positively-invariant. Further, if \(N_H(0) > \frac{\Lambda_M}{\mu_2}\), and \(N_M(0) > \frac{\Lambda_M}{\mu_2}\), then either the solution enters \(D\) in finite time or \(N_H(t)\) approaches \(\frac{\Lambda_H}{\mu_1}\), and \(N_M(t)\) approaches \(\frac{\Lambda_M}{\mu_2}\), and the infected variables \(E_H, I_1, I_2, E_A, I_3\) approaches 0.

Hence \(D\) is attracting, that is all solutions in \(\mathbb{R}_+^9\) eventually enters \(D\). Thus in \(D\) the basic model Equations (1) to (9) is well posed epidemiologically and mathematically according to [26]. Hence it is sufficient to study the dynamics of the basic model Equations (1) to (9).

**Lemma 2.** Let the initial data \(F(0) \geq 0\), where
\[
F(t) = \left( S_H, V_H, E_H, I_1, I_2, R, S_M, E_M, I_M \right).
\]

Then the solution \(F(t)\) of the Chikungunya virus model (1) to (9) are non-negative for all \(t \geq 0\). Furthermore form (10) and (11),
\[
\limsup_{t \to \infty} N_H(t) = \frac{\Lambda_H}{\mu_1 + \delta} \quad \text{and} \quad \limsup_{t \to \infty} N_M(t) = \frac{\Lambda_M}{\mu_2}.
\]

**Proof**

\(t_1 = \sup \{ t > 0 : F(t) > 0 \in [0,t] \}\). Thus \(t_1 > 0\). It follows from (1) that
\[
\frac{d}{dt} \left( S_H(t) \exp \left[ \alpha b_H \int_0^\infty \frac{I_M}{N_H}(\xi) d\xi + (\nu + \mu_I) t \right] \right) = (\Lambda_H + \psi V_H) \exp \left[ \alpha b_H \int_0^\infty \frac{I_M}{N_H}(\xi) d\xi + (\nu + \mu_I) t \right],
\]

(15)

So that,

\[
\frac{d}{dt} S_H(t) \exp \left[ \alpha b_H \int_0^\infty \frac{I_M}{N_H}(\xi) d\xi + (\nu + \mu_I) t \right] - S_H(0)
\]

\[
= \int_0^\infty \left( (\Lambda_H + \psi V_H) \exp \left[ \alpha b_H \int_0^\infty \frac{I_M}{N_H}(\xi) d\xi + (\nu + \mu_I) p \right] \right) dp > 0.
\]

(16)

Hence,

\[
S_H(t_1) = S_H(0) \exp \left[ -\alpha b_H \int_0^\infty \frac{I_M}{N_H}(\xi) d\xi + (\nu + \mu_I) t_1 \right]
\]

\[
+ \exp \left[ -\alpha b_H \int_0^\infty \frac{I_M}{N_H}(\xi) d\xi + (\nu + \mu_I) t_1 \right]
\]

\[
\int_0^\infty \left( (\Lambda_H + \psi V_H) \exp \left[ \alpha b_H \int_0^\infty \frac{I_M}{N_H}(\xi) d\xi + (\nu + \mu_I) p \right] \right) dp > 0.
\]

(17)

Similarly, it can be shown that \( F > 0 \), for all \( t > 0 \).

For the second part of the proof, note that,

\[
0 < V_H(t) \leq N_H(t), 0 < E_H(t) \leq N_H(t), 0 < I_I(t) \leq N_H(t),
\]

\[
0 < I_I(t) \leq N_H(t), 0 < R(t) \leq N_H(t), 0 < S_M(t) \leq N_M(t),
\]

\[
0 < E_M(t) \leq N_M(t), 0 < I_M(t) \leq N_M(t)
\]

From Equations (10) and (11),

\[
\frac{\Lambda_H}{\mu_I + \delta} \leq \lim_{t \to \infty} \inf N_H(t) \leq \lim_{t \to \infty} \sup N_H(t) = \frac{\Lambda_H}{\mu_I + \delta},
\]

(18)

and

\[
\frac{\Lambda_M}{\mu_2} \leq \lim_{t \to \infty} \inf N_M(t) \leq \lim_{t \to \infty} \sup N_M(t) = \frac{\Lambda_M}{\mu_2}.
\]

(19)

as required.

3. Results

3.1. Local Stability of Disease Free Equilibrium (DFE)

The basic model (1) to (9) has a DFE, \( E_0 \), obtained by setting the right-hand sides of the model equations to zero, which gives:

\[
E_0 = \left( S_H^*, V_H^*, E_H^*, I_I^*, I_I^*, S_M^*, E_M^*, I_M^* \right)
\]

\[
= \left( \frac{\Lambda_H (\psi + \mu_I)}{(\psi + \mu_I + \nu) \mu_I}, \frac{v \Lambda_M}{(\psi + \mu_I + \nu) \mu_I}, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0 \right)
\]

(20)

The linear stability of \( E_0 \) can be established using the next generation Matrix operator method on the system (1) to (9). Using the notation in [23], the matrix-
es $F$ and $V$, for the new infection terms and the remaining transfer terms, are, respectively, given by,

$$
F = \begin{bmatrix}
0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \frac{\alpha_i b_m S' + (1-\epsilon)V'_H}{N'_H} \\
0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\
0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\
0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\
0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0
\end{bmatrix},
$$

(21)

and,

$$
V = \begin{bmatrix}
K_1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\
-\sigma_1 & K_4 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\
-(1-\sigma_1) & 0 & K_4 & 0 & 0 \\
0 & 0 & 0 & K_5 & 0 \\
0 & 0 & 0 & -\sigma_2 & K_6
\end{bmatrix}.
$$

(22)

where,

$$
K_1 = \nu_1 + \mu_1, K_2 = \nu + \mu, K_3 = \sigma_1 + \mu,
$$

(23)

$$
K_4 = \nu + \mu + \delta, K_5 = \sigma_2 + \mu, K_6 = \mu - \beta M
$$

$$
R_c = \frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{M_1 + \sqrt{M_2 + M_3}}{M_4} \right),
$$

(24)

$$
M_1 = \Lambda M \beta K_2 K_3 N'_H,
$$

(25)

$$
M_2 = \Lambda M \beta K_3 K_5 N'_H,
$$

(26)

$$
M_3 = 4 K_2 K_3 K_5 \beta \sigma_1 \sigma_2 b_m S'_M \left( \alpha_i b_m S'_H + (1-\epsilon) \right) N'_H,
$$

(27)

$$
M_4 = \beta K_2 K_3 K_5 N'_H.
$$

(28)

Hence using theorem 2 of [23] the following results are established.

Theorem 1 The disease free equilibrium, $E_0$, of the model (2.1) to (2.9) is locally asymptotically stable (LAS) if $R_c < 1$, and unstable if $R_c > 1$.

3.2. Global Stability of Disease Free Equilibrium

Consider the feasible region:

$$
D_1 = \{ X \in D_1 : S_H \leq S'_H, V_H \leq V'_H, R \leq R'_H, S_M \leq S'_M \},
$$

(29)

$$
X = \{ S_H, V_H, E_H, I_1, I_2, R, S_M, E_M, I_M \}.
$$

(30)

Lemma 3. The region $D_1$ is positively invariant for the Chikungunya model.
Proof

From Equations (1) to (9) and (20), we have that, the only non-zero compartments at disease free equilibrium are:

\[
\frac{dS_H}{dt} = \Lambda_H + \psi V_H - \frac{\alpha b_m S_H I_M}{N_H} - (v + \mu_i) S_H, \\
\frac{dV_H}{dt} = vS_H - \frac{\alpha b_m (1-\epsilon)V_H I_M}{N_H} - (\psi + \mu_i) V_H, \\
\frac{dS_M}{dt} = \Lambda_M - \frac{\alpha_2 b_m S_M (I_1 + I_2)}{N_H} - \beta \Lambda M_I M - \mu_2 S_M.
\]

(31)

Such that,

\[
\frac{dS_H}{dt} = \Lambda_H + \psi V_H - \frac{\alpha b_m S_H I_M}{N_H} - (v + \mu_i) S_H, \\
\leq \Lambda_H + \psi V_H - (v + \mu_i) S_H, \\
\leq (v + \mu_i) \left( \frac{\Lambda_H (\psi + \mu_i)}{v + \mu_i} + \psi \left( \frac{\psi + \mu_i + \nu \Lambda M_I M}{v + \mu_i + \nu \Lambda M_I M} - S_H \right) \right), \\
=(v + \mu_i) \left( S_H^* + \psi V_H^* - S_H \right)
\]

Hence,

\[
S_H(t) \leq S_H^* + \psi V_H^* - \left[ S_H^* - \psi V_H^* - S_H(0) \right] e^{(v+\mu_i)t}.
\]

(32)

Thus if \( N_H^* = \frac{\Lambda_H}{\mu_i} \) and \( S_H(0) \leq S_H^* + \psi V_H^* \) for all \( t \geq 0 \), then \( S_H(t) \leq S_H^* + \psi V_H^* \) for all \( t \geq 0 \).

Similarly, it follows from Equation (7) of our model and (20) where \( S_M^* = \frac{\Lambda_M}{\mu_2} \).

We have that,

\[
\frac{dS_M}{dt} = \Lambda_M - \frac{\alpha_2 b_m S_M (I_1 + I_2)}{N_H} - \beta \Lambda M_I M - \mu_2 S_M \\
\leq \Lambda_M - \mu_2 S_M \leq \mu_2 \left[ \frac{\Lambda_M}{\mu_2} - S_M \right] = \mu_2 \left( S_M^* - S_M \right)
\]

(34)

Hence,

\[
S_M(t) \leq S_M^* - \left[ S_M^* - S_M(0) \right] e^{-\mu_2 t}.
\]

(35)

Thus if \( N_M^* = \frac{\Lambda_M}{\mu_2} \) and \( S_M(0) \leq S_M^* \) for all \( t \geq 0 \), then \( S_M(t) \leq S_M^* \) for all \( t \geq 0 \).

In summary, we have shown that \( D_1 \) is positively invariant and attracting with respect to the solutions of our model Equations (1) to (9).

Theorem 2

The DFE of the basic model (1) to (9) is Global Asymptotical Stability (GAS) in \( D_1 \), whenever \( R_c \leq 1 \).
Proof

To prove the GAS of the DFE we adopt the approach in [27]. Let \( X = (S_H, V_H, R, S_M) \) and \( Z = (E_H, I_1, I_2, E_M, I_M) \) and group our model Equations (1) to (8) into:

\[
\begin{align*}
\frac{dX}{dt} &= F(X,0), \\
\frac{dZ}{dt} &= G(X,Z),
\end{align*}
\]

where \( F(X,0) \) is the right hand side of \( \dot{S}_H, \dot{V}_H, \dot{R}, \dot{S}_M \) with \( E_H = I_1 = I_2 = E_M = I_M = 0 \) and \( G(X,Z) \), the right hand side of \( \dot{E}_H, \dot{I}_1, \dot{I}_2, \dot{E}_M, \dot{I}_M \). Next we consider the reduced system:

\[
\begin{align*}
\frac{dX}{dt} &= F(X,0) \quad \text{given as,} \\
\frac{dS_H}{dt} &= \Lambda_H - \mu_i S_H, \\
\frac{dV_H}{dt} &= \nu S_H - (\psi + \mu_i) V_H, \\
\frac{dR}{dt} &= -\mu_i R, \\
\frac{dS_M}{dt} &= \Lambda_M - \mu_i S_M.
\end{align*}
\]

Let \( X^* = (S^*_H, V^*_H, R^*, S^*_M) \) be an equilibrium of (37) we show that \( X^* \) is a global stable equilibrium in \( D_1 \).

To do this, we solve the Equations (37), which gives

\[
\begin{align*}
S_H(t) &= \left( \frac{\Lambda_H (\psi + \mu_i)}{(\psi + \mu_i + \nu) \mu_i} + \psi V^*_H \right) - \left( \frac{\Lambda_H (\psi + \mu_i)}{(\psi + \mu_i + \nu) \mu_i} + \psi V^*_H \right) e^{-(\psi + \mu_i + \nu) \mu_i t} + S_H(0) e^{(\psi + \mu_i + \nu) \mu_i t}, \\
S_H(t) &= \frac{\Lambda_H (\psi + \mu_i)}{(\psi + \mu_i + \nu) \mu_i} + \psi V^*_H, \quad \text{as} \ t \to \infty .
\end{align*}
\]

\[
\begin{align*}
V_H(t) &= \frac{\nu \Lambda_H}{(\psi + \mu_i + \nu) \mu_i} - \frac{\nu \Lambda_H}{(\psi + \mu_i + \nu) \mu_i} e^{-(\psi + \mu_i + \nu) \mu_i t} + V_H(0) e^{(\psi + \mu_i + \nu) \mu_i t}, \\
V_H(t) &= \frac{\nu \Lambda_H}{(\psi + \mu_i + \nu) \mu_i}, \quad \text{as} \ t \to \infty .
\end{align*}
\]

\[
R(t) = R(0) e^{-\mu_i t}, \quad R(t) \to 0, \quad \text{as} \ t \to \infty .
\]

\[
S_M(t) = \frac{\Lambda_M}{\mu_2} e^{-\mu_2 t} + S_M(0) e^{-\mu_2 t}, \quad S_M(t) \to \frac{\Lambda_M}{\mu_2}, \quad \text{as} \ t \to \infty .
\]
as \( t \to \infty \).

This asymptotic dynamics is independent of initial conditions in \( D \). Hence the solution of \( \text{xxx} \) converges globally in \( D \).

Next we are required to show that \( G(X,Z) \) satisfies the following two conditions in [19] pp246 namely;

\[
G(X,0) = 0, \\
G(X,Z) = D_2 \hat{G}(X^*,0)Z - \hat{G}(X,Z), \hat{G}(X,Z) \geq 0,
\]

where,

\[
(X^*,0) = \left( \frac{\Lambda_H (\psi + \mu_1)}{\nu \Lambda_H (\psi + \mu_1 + \nu) \mu_1}, \frac{\nu \Lambda_H}{\psi + \mu_1 + \nu} \mu_1, 0, \frac{\Lambda_M}{\mu_2} \right).
\]

and \( D_2 G(X^*,0) \) is the Jacobian of \( G(X,Z) \) taken with respect to \((E_H, I_1, I_2, E_M, I_M)\) and evaluated at \((X^*,0)\), which is an M-Matrix (the off diagonal elements are non-negative).

Thus,

\[
D_2 G(X^*,0) = \begin{pmatrix}
-k_3 & 0 & 0 & 0 & Q_1 \\
\sigma_1 & -k_4 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\
1 - \sigma_1 & 0 & -k_4 & 0 & 0 \\
0 & \frac{\alpha_b b h S^*_H}{N^*_H} & \frac{\alpha b b h S^*_M}{N^*_M} & -k_5 & 0 \\
0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \sigma_2 - k_6
\end{pmatrix},
\]

\[
\hat{G}(X,Z) = \begin{pmatrix}
0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & Q_1 I_M \\
0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\
0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\
0 & \alpha b b h S^*_H \frac{N^*_H}{S^*_M} & \alpha b b h S^*_M \frac{N^*_M}{S^*_M} & Q_3 & 0 \\
0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \frac{1}{\beta \Lambda_M}
\end{pmatrix},
\]

where,

\[
Q_1 = \frac{\alpha_b b h S^*_H + (1-\epsilon) + V^*_H}{N^*_H}, \\
Q_2 = \frac{N^*_H}{S^*_H + (1-\epsilon) + V^*_H} \left( 1 - \frac{N^*_H}{S^*_H + (1-\epsilon) + V^*_H} \frac{S^*_H + (1-\epsilon) V^*_H}{N^*_H} \right),
\]

\[
Q_3 = \left( 1 - \frac{N^*_H S_M}{S^*_M N^*_H} I_1 \right), \\
Q_4 = \left( 1 - \frac{N^*_H S_M}{S^*_M N^*_H} I_2 \right).
\]

Further \( S_H \leq S^*_H, V_H \leq V^*_H \) and \( S_M \leq S^*_M \) in \( D \). Thus, it follows that
\[
\left(1 - \frac{S_H}{S'_H}\right) > 0 , \quad \left(1 - \frac{V_H}{V'_H}\right) > 0 \quad \text{and} \quad \left(1 - \frac{S_M}{S'_M}\right) > 0 . \quad \text{Hence} \quad \hat{G}(X, Z) \geq 0 .
\]

Therefore, by the theorem 2 in [28], the disease-free equilibrium is globally asymptotically stable since in the absence of disease induced mortality the human population is constant.

### 3.3. Sensitivity Analysis

Here we present the sensitivity index of the parameters of the effective reproductive number \((R_c)\). Sensitivity tells us how important each parameter is to disease transmission. Such information, is crucial not only to experimental design, but also to data assimilation and reduction of complex nonlinear model [29]. Sensitivity Analysis is commonly used to determine the robustness of model prediction to parameter values, since there are usually errors in data collection and presumed parameter values. It is used to determine parameters that have high impact on the \((R_c)\) and should be targeted by intervention strategies. Sensitivity indexes allows us to measure the relative changes in a variable when a parameter changes. The normalized forward sensitivity index of a variable with respect to a parameter is the ratio of relative changes in the parameter when the variable is a differentiable function of the parameter. The sensitivity index may be alternatively defined using partial derivatives. The sensitivity index of our model is given in Table 2.

**Table 2.** Sensitivity analysis index for the effective basic reproductive number.

| Parameter | Sensitivity index |
|-----------|-------------------|
| \(\alpha_c\) | 0.06 |
| \(\alpha_s\) | 0.37 |
| \(\mu_c\) | 0.63 |
| \(\mu_i\) | 0.87 |
| \(\sigma_c\) | 0.02 |
| \(\sigma_i\) | 0.87 |
| \(\beta\) | 1.25 |
| \(\gamma\) | -0.12 |
| \(\delta\) | -0.86 |
| \(\varepsilon\) | 0.13 |
| \(\gamma\) | 0.5 |
| \(\Lambda_s\) | 0.62 |
| \(\Lambda_m\) | 1.6 |
| \(\nu\) | 0.46 |
From Table 2, the most sensitive parameter of $R_c$ is the recruitment rate of susceptible mosquito ($\Lambda_M$) followed by the proportion of infectious new birth from infected mosquito ($\beta$) while the natural birth rate of mosquito ($\mu$) and the rate at which exposed mosquito become infectious ($\sigma_2$) are equally sensitive to the $R_c$ according to the model. This means that any policy or practice capable of reducing these parameters will go a long way in reducing the menace of Chikungunya and at the long run, result to eradication.

**Endemic Equilibrium**

Let $E_i = (S'_H, V'_H, E'_H, R'_H, I'_S, I'_E, R'_S, R'_M, I'_M)$, 

represents any arbitrary endemic equilibrium of the model (1) to (9). Further, let

$$\lambda_H = \frac{\alpha_c b_m I'_M}{N'_H}, \lambda_M = \frac{\alpha_c b_M (I'_S + I'_E)}{N'_M}. \tag{49}$$

be the forces of infection of humans and vectors at steady state, respectively.

Solving (1) to (9) in terms of $\lambda_H$ and $\lambda_M$, we have;

$$S'_H = \frac{\Lambda_H (\lambda'_H + k_2)}{(\lambda'_H + k_2)(\lambda'_H + k_1) + \psi v}, \quad V'_H = \frac{v \Lambda_H}{(\lambda'_H + k_2)(\lambda'_H + k_1) + \psi v}, \tag{50}$$

$$E'_H = \frac{\Lambda_H \lambda_H (\lambda'_H + k_2) + (1 - \epsilon)\gamma}{\lambda'_H + k_2 + k_1) - \psi v)k_3}, \quad I'_S = \frac{\sigma_1 \lambda_H (\lambda'_H + k_2) + (1 - \epsilon)\psi}{(\lambda'_H + k_2)(\lambda'_H + k_1) + \psi v)k_3}, \tag{51}$$

$$R'_S = \frac{\gamma \Lambda_H \lambda_H (\lambda'_H + k_2) + (1 - \epsilon)\psi}{(\lambda'_H + k_2)(\lambda'_H + k_1) + \psi v)k_3}, \tag{52}$$

$$S'_M = \frac{k_1 k_4 \lambda_M}{\lambda'_M (k_1 k_5 + \beta \lambda_M \sigma_2) + \mu_2 k_5 k_6}, \quad I'_M = \frac{\sigma_1 \lambda_M \lambda'_M}{\lambda'_M (k_1 k_5 + \beta \lambda_M \sigma_2) + \mu_2 k_5 k_6}. \tag{53}$$

Substituting (20) into (19) we have;

$$\lambda'_M = \frac{\alpha_c b_m \lambda_H \lambda'_H (\lambda'_H + k_2) + (1 - \epsilon)\psi}{(\lambda'_H + k_2)(\lambda'_H + k_1) + \psi v)k_3}, \tag{54}$$

$$\lambda'_H = A (\lambda'_H)^4 + B (\lambda'_H)^2 + C (\lambda'_H) - E. \tag{55}$$

where,

$$A = (\alpha_c b_m \Lambda_H k_1 k_6 + \beta \Lambda_M \sigma_2)(\mu_1 + k_4 k_1 + \gamma), \tag{56}$$

$$B = (I_T k_1 k_6 + \beta \Lambda_M \sigma_2)(k_1 k_5 (\mu_1 k_2 + \psi)) - \left(\alpha_c \alpha_2 (b_m)^2 \Lambda_H \sigma_2\right) k_1 k_4 k_5. \tag{57}$$

$$C = \left[\alpha_c b_m \Lambda_H \sigma_2 (k_1 (1 - \epsilon)\psi + \beta \Lambda_M \sigma_2 (k_1 k_6 (\mu_1 k_2 + \psi)) + k_4 k_5 + \gamma (1 - \epsilon)\psi) \right] \tag{58}$$

$$+ \alpha_c \alpha_2 (b_m)^2 \Lambda_H \sigma_2 (k_1 + k_2) \tag{59}$$

$$+ \alpha_c \alpha_2 (b_m)^2 \Lambda_H \sigma_2 (k_2 (1 - \epsilon)\psi + k_1 + k_2) \tag{60}$$

$\alpha_c \alpha_2 (b_m)^2 \Lambda_H \sigma_2 (k_1 + k_2 + (1 - \epsilon)\psi) k_1 k_4 k_5$. 

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Theorem 3.6. The Chikungunya basic model (1) to (9) undergoes backward bifurcation whenever the coefficient $a$ in equation is positive.

Proof. To prove this theorem, we use the Centre Manifold theory as in Castillo-Chavez and songs [30] [31] see the theorem in Appendix A.

Let $S_H = x_1$, $V_H = x_2$, $E_H = x_3$, $I_1 = x_4$, $I_2 = x_5$, $R = x_6$, $S_M = x_7$, $E_M = x_8$, $I_M = x_9$ so that $N_H = x_1 + x_2 + x_3 + x_4 + x_5 + x_6$ and $N_M = x_7 + x_8 + x_9$. Further by using vector notation $X = (x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4, x_5, x_6, x_7, x_8, x_9)^T$ Equations (1) to (9) can be written as $\frac{dX}{dt} = (f_1 + f_2 + f_3 + f_4 + f_5 + f_6 + f_7 + f_8 + f_9)$ as follow:

$$\frac{dx_1}{dt} = \Lambda_H + \nu x_2 - \frac{\alpha b_M x_2}{x_1 + x_2 + x_3 + x_4 + x_5 + x_6} - kx_1,$$
$$\frac{dx_2}{dt} = \nu x_2 - \frac{\alpha b_M (1-\epsilon)x_2}{x_1 + x_2 + x_3 + x_4 + x_5 + x_6} - k_2 x_2,$$
$$\frac{dx_3}{dt} = \frac{\alpha b_M x_3}{x_1 + x_2 + x_3 + x_4 + x_5 + x_6} (x_1 + (1-\epsilon) x_2) - k_3 x_3,$$
$$\frac{dx_4}{dt} = \sigma_1 x_4 - k_4 x_4,$$
$$\frac{dx_5}{dt} = (1-\sigma_1) x_5 - (\gamma + \mu_1 + \delta) x_5,$$
$$\frac{dx_6}{dt} = \gamma x_4 + \gamma x_5 - \mu_6 x_6,$$
$$\frac{dx_7}{dt} = \alpha b_M x_7 + \frac{(x_4 + x_5)}{x_1 + x_2 + x_3 + x_4 + x_5 + x_6} - \beta \Lambda_M x_9 - \mu_7 x_7,$$
$$\frac{dx_8}{dt} = \frac{\alpha b_M x_8}{x_1 + x_2 + x_3 + x_4 + x_5 + x_6} + \beta \Lambda_M x_9 - k_8 x_8,$$
$$\frac{dx_9}{dt} = \sigma_2 x_9 - k_9 x_9.$$  

Because it’s not always convenient to use $R_0 = 1$ as bifurcation parameter, we choose $P = P^*$ where $P^* = \alpha b_m$ as the bifurcation parameter such that,

$$P^* = \frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{M_4}{M_1 + \sqrt{M_2 + M_5}} \right),$$

where

$$M_5 = 4k_1k_2k_3k_6 \alpha b_M \left( \alpha b_M x_1 + (1-\epsilon) x_2^* \right).$$
The Jacobian of (57) evaluated at $E_0$ with $\alpha_2b_m = P^*$, denoted by $J^*$ is given

$$
J^* = 
\begin{bmatrix}
-k_1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -Q_5 \\
\nu & -k_2 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -Q_6 \\
0 & 0 & -k_3 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\
0 & 0 & \sigma_\gamma & -k_4 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\
0 & 0 & 1 - \sigma_\gamma & 0 & -k_4 & 0 & 0 \\
0 & 0 & \gamma & \gamma & -\mu_1 & 0 & 0 \\
0 & 0 & 0 & Q_7 & Q_7 & 0 & -\beta\Lambda_M \\
0 & 0 & 0 & Q_2 & Q_7 & 0 & -k_5 \\
0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \sigma_2 - k_6 \\
\end{bmatrix}
$$

(60)

where,

$$
Q_5 = \frac{\alpha_2b_m x^*_1}{x_1 + x_2 + x_3 + x_4 + x_5 + x_6},
$$

$$
Q_6 = \frac{\alpha_2b_m (1 - \epsilon) x^*_2}{x_1 + x_2 + x_3 + x_4 + x_5 + x_6},
$$

$$
Q_7 = \frac{\alpha_2b_m x^*_7}{x_1 + x_2 + x_3 + x_4 + x_5 + x_6}.
$$

(61)

It follows that (60) has a right eigenvector denoted by

$v = v_1, v_2, v_3, v_4, v_5, v_6, v_7, v_8, v_9$, where

$$
v_1 = -Q_1 (k_1 k_2 + v \nu \psi) + \nu (Q_1 k_1 + v Q_1) v_9, \\
v_2 = -\left((Q_6 k_1 + v Q_4) v_9\right) k_1 k_2 - v \nu \psi, \\
v_3 = \frac{Q_1 v_9}{k_3}, \\
v_4 = \frac{\sigma_\gamma Q_1 v_9}{k_3 k_4}, \\
v_5 = \frac{(1 - \sigma_\gamma) Q_1 v_9}{k_3 k_4}, \\
v_6 = \frac{\gamma Q_1 k_4 (Q_1 + (1 - \sigma_\gamma)) v_9}{k_3 k_4^2}, \\
v_7 = \frac{\beta\Lambda_M k_2^2 k_3 + Q_1 Q_2 k_1 v_9}{k_3 k_2^2 \mu_2}, \\
v_8 = \frac{Q_1 Q_2 k_4 (\sigma_\gamma + (1 - \sigma_\gamma)) v_9}{k_5 k_2^2 k_5}, \\
v_9 = v_9.
$$

(62)

And a left eigenvector given by $w = w_1, w_2, w_3, w_4, w_5, w_6, w_7, w_8, w_9$, where
\[ w_1 = \frac{\nu w_2}{k_i}, \]
\[ w_2 = w_2, \]
\[ w_3 = \frac{Q w_2 + \gamma w_6}{k_i k_4}, \]
\[ w_4 = w_3 = \frac{\gamma w_6 - Q w_7}{k_i k_4}, \]
\[ w_6 = w_6, \]
\[ w_7 = w_7, \]
\[ w_8 = w_8 = 0. \]

Computation of \( a \)

\[ \frac{\partial^2 f_1}{\partial x_i \partial x_j} = \frac{\alpha_i b_m x_i}{\left(x_i + x_j^* \right)^2} \frac{\alpha_j b_m}{x_i + x_j^*}, \]
\[ \frac{\partial^2 f_1}{\partial x_i \partial x_j} = \frac{\partial^2 f_1}{\partial x_i \partial x_j} = \frac{\partial^2 f_1}{\partial x_i \partial x_j} = \frac{\partial^2 f_1}{\partial x_i \partial x_j} = \frac{\alpha_i b_m x_i^*}{\left(x_i + x_j^* \right)^2}, \]
\[ \frac{\partial f_1}{\partial x_i} = k_i - \psi \frac{2 \left( \psi x_i^* - x_i \right)}{x_i + x_j^*}, \]
\[ \frac{\partial^2 f_i}{\partial x_i \partial x_j} = \frac{\partial^2 f_i}{\partial x_i \partial x_j} = \frac{\partial^2 f_i}{\partial x_i \partial x_j} = \frac{x_i}{x_i + x_j^*}, \]
\[ a = \sum_{i,j=1}^{n} v_i w_i \frac{\partial^2 f_i}{\partial x_i \partial x_j} (0,0) \]
\[ = v_i w_i \frac{\alpha_i b_m x_i^*}{\left(x_i + x_j^* \right)^2} \left( w_1 + w_2 + w_4 + w_5 + w_6 \right) \]
\[ - v_i w_i \left( w_5 \frac{k_i + \psi}{x_i + x_j^*} + w_2 \left( \frac{k_i + \psi}{x_i + x_j^*} + 2 \psi x_i^* + k_i x_i^* \right) \right) \]
\[ - v_i w_i \left( w_4 + w_5 \right) \left( \frac{\mu_2}{x_i^* + x_j^*} - \frac{P^*}{x_i^* + x_j^*} \right). \]

3.4. Vaccine Impact Analysis

Vaccine was believed to confer life-long immunity until 1990s. This was the norm as it was approximately correct for most available vaccine for infectious children diseases. But most vaccines used for combating adult infectious diseases today are defective and thus immunity conferred on the recipients wane...
with time. It is expected that the future Chikv vaccine will also be defective and hence the need to assess its effectiveness in $R_C$ a community. In this paper, the vaccine impact analysis is done by differentiating effective reproductive number with respect to the proportion $p$ of susceptible individuals vaccinated at equilibrium, according to [32], \[ p = \frac{V_C}{N_H} \] i.e., \[ \frac{\partial R_C}{\partial p} = \frac{R_C}{1(1 - pe)} \] i.e. since \[ 0 < e < 1 \] we have that \[ \frac{\partial R_C}{\partial p} < 0, \] hence $R_C$ is a decreasing function of $p$. This means that a vaccination program with \( p > 0 \) and \( e > 0 \) at equilibrium, the future vaccine will have a positive impact. Besides, there exist a $p_c$ such that $R_C(p_c) = 1$ given by \[ \frac{1}{e} \left( 1 - \frac{1}{R_C} \right) \] and for vaccination of proportion of susceptible $p > p_c$ the number of new-cases reduces to zero faster than when \( p < p_c \).

4. Numerical Simulation

To further verify the analytical results in the model, the ode 45 code embedded in matlab was used to simulate some parameters of the model. Table 1 provided values of the parameters while initial values of the state variables were chosen arbitrarily. Figures 2(A)-(D) and Figures 3(A)-(D) are simulation of the various model compartments with time. Figure 4 is the simulation of some compartments

![Figure 2](image-url)

**Figure 2.** Plot of the various populations with parameters as in Table 1. (A) is the simulation of susceptible human against time, the plot shows that the susceptible human decreases with time due to the proportion that gets infected but slows down after some days, perhaps due to the vaccination and other control measures. (B) is the simulation of the vaccinated compartment. The plot shows a steady increase initially, but began to slope down after few days, this could be due to the fact that a proportion of the class are infectious as the vaccine is imperfect. (C) is the simulation of the exposed compartment with time, the plot shows a steady decline as members become infectious and progress to either the symptomatic or asymptomatic compartment. Finally (D) is the simulation of the symptomatic compartment with time. The plot shows a steady decline and tends to zero after about 20 days. This could be attributed to recovery from the infection.
Figure 3. Plot of the various populations with parameters as in Table 1. (A) is the simulation of the asymptomatic infected compartment with time, it shows a sharp increase at the onset of the epidemic, followed by a decline. (B) is the simulation of the recovered compartment with time, it shows a steady increase at the initial time, got to a peak and then remains a constant as time progresses. (C) is the simulation of susceptible mosquito compartment with time. It maintains a steady increase until perhaps due to short life cycle. (D) is the simulation of exposed mosquito compartment with time. The plot shows a steady decline with time as proportion progresses to infected compartment.

Figure 4. Simulation of the Human populations with varying values of $\beta$. (A) is the effect of the vertical transmission ($\beta$) on the susceptible compartment, while (B), (C) and (D) is the effect on same on the vaccinated, exposed, and symptomatic infected human compartment respectively. It is obvious from the plots that $\beta$ has negligible effect in all the compartments and hence on the transmission of Chikungunya virus according to the model analysis and simulation.
with various values of the vertical transmission rate ($\beta$). Figure 5 is a contour plot of the effective basic reproduction number as a function of recruitment rate of susceptible mosquito ($\Lambda_M$) and vertical transmission rate ($\beta$) while Figure 6 is the contour plot of effective basic reproductive number with varying values of vaccine efficacy ($\epsilon$) and vaccinated proportion. Finally, Figure 7 is a simulation of the new cases of Chikungunya with different values of vaccine efficacy ($\epsilon$) and vaccination rate ($\nu$). The figures and detailed caption are presented below.

**Figure 5.** Simulation of the chikv model displaying a contour graph of $R_c$ as a function of recruitment rate of susceptible mosquito; and recruitment rate of infected mosquito ($\beta$) with parameter values as listed in Table 1.

**Figure 6.** Simulation of the chikv model displaying a contour graph of ($R_{ch}$) as a function of vaccinated human population and vaccine efficacy ($\epsilon$); with parameter values as listed in Table 1.
5. Conclusion

A deterministic mathematical model for Chikungunya virus dynamics was developed using the standard incidence approach. The model assumed that the offspring of infected mosquito is infected at birth (vertical transmission) and also through blood meal from symptomatically and as-symptomatically infected human (horizontal transmission). For the subhuman population, only horizontal transmission was considered and the virus infection in human is assumed fatal, though with a very low rate. The disease free and endemic equilibrium was obtained and analyzed for both local and global asymptotically stability. The analysis shows that the model undergoes backward bifurcation when the effective basic reproductive number $R_c \leq 1$. Numerical simulation of the model shows that the effect of vertical transmission of the mosquito sub-population in the dynamics of the virus is negligible, even when the rate is high as shown in Figures 4(A)-(D). Further, the contour plot of the effective basic reproductive number $R_c$ with respect to the vaccine efficacy $\nu$ and the proportion of susceptible vaccinated (Figure 6) gave the rates at which the $R_c$ is above, below and equal to unity, this confirms that the use of imperfect vaccine will be effective. Figure 6 also reveals a linear relationship between the effective basic reproductive number and the two parameters in question unlike Figure 5. Also the graph of Chikungunya new case (Figure 7) shows a decrease in new cases with high vaccine efficacy $\nu$ and proportion of vaccinated susceptible $\nu$. Hence buttressing the point made in Figure 6.

Conflicts of Interest

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Appendix A

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Consider the following general system of ordinary differential equations with a parameter $\phi$.

$$\frac{dx}{dt} = f(x,\phi): R^n \times R \rightarrow R^n \quad \text{and} \quad f \in C^2 \left( R^n \times R \right)$$

where 0 is an equilibrium point of the system (that is, $f(0,\phi) = 0$ for all $\phi$) and

$$(A1) \quad A = D_x f(0,0) = \left( \frac{\partial f_i}{\partial x_j} (0,0) \right)$$

is the linearization matrix of the system 2.10 around the equilibrium 0 with $\phi$ evaluated at 0;

$$(A2) \quad \text{Zero is a simple eigenvalues of } A \text{ and other eigenvalues of } A \text{ have negative real parts;}$$

$$(A3) \quad \text{Matrix } A \text{ has a right eigenvector } w \text{ and left eigenvector } v \text{ (each corresponding to zero eigenvalues).}$$

Let $f_k$ be the $k$th component of $f$ and

To do this we need the values of $a$ and $b$ given below:

$$a = \sum_{k,i,j=1}^{n} v_i w_j \frac{\partial^2 f_k}{\partial x_i \partial x_j} (0,0)$$

$$b = \sum_{k,i,j=1}^{n} v_i w_j \frac{\partial^2 f_k}{\partial x_i \partial x_j} (0,0)$$

then, the local dynamics of the system around equilibrium point 0 is totally determined by the signs of $a$ and $b$, particularly,

1) $a > 0, b > 0$, when $\phi < 0$ with $|\phi| \ll 1$, 0 is locally asymptotically stable and there exists a positive unstable equilibrium; when $0 < \phi \ll 1$, 0 is unstable and there exists a negative, locally asymptotically stable equilibrium;

2) $a < 0, b < 0$, when $\phi < 0$ with $|\phi| \ll 1$, 0 is unstable; when $0 < \phi \ll 1$, 0 is locally asymptotically stable equilibrium and there exists a positive unstable equilibrium;

3) $a < 0, b > 0$, when $\phi$ changes from negative to positive, 0 changes its stability from stable to unstable. Correspondingly a negative unstable equilibrium becomes positive and locally asymptotically stable.