Invasion dynamics of competing species with stage-structure

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Highlights

- A spatially explicit, stage-structured Lotka-Volterra competition model is proposed
- Using heuristic arguments, we obtain approximate asymptotic spread speed solutions
- Adding stage structure alone is insufficient to alter predicted spread speeds
- Accompanied by specific heterogeneities, stage structure does alter spread speeds