

of  $\sim 1.5 \delta\%$  in  $V$ , provided all other parameters are held constant. This case and others justify the statement in the text that the elasticity of  $V$  with respect to  $r$  is  $\sim 1-2$ .

As a summary of how elasticities are estimated, Figure A1 starts with the standard case  $r = 0.5$ ,  $K = 5.0$ ,  $n = 10$ ,  $k = 3$ , and indicates the percentage change in  $V$  resulting from (a) a 20% decrease in  $r$ , (b) a 20% increase in  $r$ , (c) a 20% decrease in  $K$ , (d) a 20% increase in  $K$ , (e) a 33.33% increase in  $k$ , and (f) a 33.33% decrease in  $k$ .

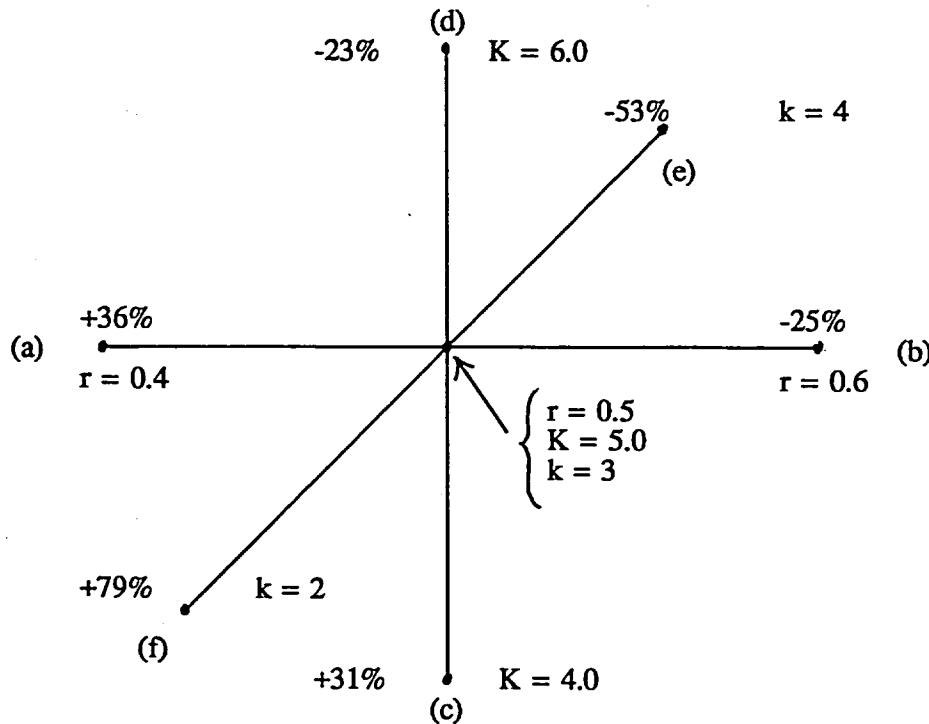


Figure A1: Effects on  $V_{10,3}$  of changes in  $r$ ,  $K$  and  $k$ , when  $r = 0.5$  and  $K = 5.0$

Based on the investigation of many cases, it was estimated that the elasticity of  $V$  with respect to  $K$  is  $\sim 1-2$ , and with respect to  $k \sim 1-3$ . It should also be noted that the elasticity of  $V$  with respect to either  $r$  or  $k$  tends to increase as  $r$  decreases; the elasticity of  $V$  with respect to  $k$  tends first to decrease, then to increase as  $k$  increases.

One potential problem with the model in (A1) is the requirement that the quantity  $rq$  be meaningful as a probability. This forces the restriction  $r < 1$ , which is equivalent to the assumption that  $R$  would never consider any violation level  $q$  which, if inspected, would be detected for certain. To explore more general models, consider first the detection probability function  $d(q)$ , defined by

$$d(q) = \min\{rq, 1\} \quad 0 < q < 1$$

This relation is illustrated in Figure A2, for the case where  $r > 1$ .