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Mathematical models are used to represent phenomena in the biological, ecological, and physical sciences, to name a few. Difference equations are appropriate when organisms have discrete, nonoverlapping generations. The Lotka-Volterra system can be used as a continuous competition model. The differential equations can then be transformed into difference equations using a numerical scheme. This talk will summarize an investigation into the stability of the discrete case of the competition model. (Received September 26, 2006)