# BIO311: Population Ecology $Prac\ 9:\ Population\ Matrices\ \ LTRE$

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### 1 Life Table Response Experiment

Life table response experiments (LTREs) are used to assess which differences in vital rates lead to a change in  $\lambda$  in an experimental design. The experiment you performed on the rotifers is well suited to be analysed by an LTRE. More information on the LTREs can be find in Caswell (2001) *Matrix population models*, this is also the book that we based the theoretical background of this practical on. Before analysing the rotifer data, we will first perform a simple LTRE analysis on different data. During this part of the practical, we will write some of the functions that we will use later to analyse the rotifer data.

#### 1.1 Comparison of two Leslie matrices

To start, we will examine two populations of yellow-necked mice.



Figure 1: yellow-necked mouse, from wikipedia.

This species lives mostly in woodlands and it is suspected that its distribution is limited by altitude. Let us compare a population living in the mountain (population M) with a population living in the plain (population P) to see if the altitude is a limiting distribution factor. This species can be described by a life-cylce in two stages; juveniles and adults. Thus the matrices describing those populations are given by:

 $\label{eq:continuous} \begin{aligned} &\text{ijnumm}_approx, echo = FALSE >>= A < -matrix(runif(4), ncol = 2)sens < \\ &-function(A)da < -1e - 4lam < -eigen(A) \\ &\text{value}[1] \text{ dim } \text{j- } \operatorname{ncol}(A) \text{ output } \text{j- } \\ &\text{matrix}(\text{NA}, \text{ncol} = \text{dim}, \text{nrow} = \text{dim}) \text{ for}(\text{i in } 1: \text{nrow}(A)) \text{ for}(\text{j in } 1: \text{ncol}(A)) \text{ TempA} \\ &\text{j- A TempA}[\text{i,j}] \text{ j- A}[\text{i,j}] + \text{ da TemLam } \text{j- } \operatorname{eigen}(\text{TempA}) \\ &value[1] output[i,j] < \\ &-(TemLam - lam)/dareturn(output)@nequation \\ &P = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 2 \\ 0.25 & 0.5 \end{pmatrix} (0) \\ \text{and} \end{aligned}$ 

$$\boldsymbol{M} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1.9 \\ 0.2 & 0.45 \end{pmatrix} \tag{1}$$

Find the asymptotic growth rates of these populations. You can see that they differ. We would now like to investigate which matrix elements contribute the most to the difference in the asymptotic growth rates. As before, we will start by looking at the sensitivities. This time however, we will write a function that calculates the sensitivities of  $\lambda$  to the matrix elements. Writing a general function, will make it easier for us to calculate sensitivities for matrices later. We provide two options for doing so: by numerical perturbation as we did in

the previous practical, or by using the exact solution. The latter is conceptually more difficult, but more precise and less code. You may choose yourself which one you want to implement.

# A: Sensitivities using perturbations # We are going to make a function with the name # sens, that takes 1 input variable. We call this # variable A. Everything between { and } is the code # of the function sens <- function(A){</pre> da <- 1e-4 # define a small perturbation lam <- ... # extract the dominant eigenvalue of A dim <- ... # store the size of A. Use ncol() # use ?ncol to see what it does # finally, create an empty matrix to store your results in output <- matrix(NA,ncol=dim,nrow=dim)</pre> # loop over all indices [i,j] in A, both the rows and the columns # to calculate the sensitivity of each and every index for(i in ...){ for(j in ...){ TempA <- A # we copy the matrix TempA[i,j] <- ... # we perturb one element</pre> TemLam <- ... # calculate the dominant eigenvalue of the perturbed matrix output[i,j] <- ... # calculate the sensitivity of lambda to the element (dlambda/da }

return(output) # The end of the function is reached, we now return the value of output

#### B: Sensitivities using the exact solution

Here we will use the formula that was shown in the lecture:

$$\begin{pmatrix} \frac{\partial \lambda}{\partial a_{1,1}} & \frac{\partial \lambda}{\partial a_{1,2}} & \cdots & \frac{\partial \lambda}{\partial a_{1,N}} \\ \frac{\partial \lambda}{\partial a_{2,1}} & \frac{\partial \lambda}{\partial a_{2,2}} & \cdots & \frac{\partial \lambda}{\partial a_{2,N}} \\ \vdots & \vdots & & \vdots \\ \frac{\partial \lambda}{\partial a_{N,1}} & \frac{\partial \lambda}{\partial a_{N,2}} & \cdots & \frac{\partial \lambda}{\partial a_{N,N}} \end{pmatrix} = \frac{\vec{v}\vec{w}^T}{\vec{v}^T\vec{w}}$$

$$(2)$$

Here,  $\vec{w}$  and  $\vec{v}$  are the dominant right and left eigenvector respectively. Furthermore  $\vec{v}^T$  responds to the transpose of  $\vec{v}$ . Using this we can now wite a function to calculate the sensitivities:

```
sens <- function(A){
  w <- eigen(A)$vector[,1]
  v <- eigen(t(A))$vector[,1]
  outcome <- v %*% t(w) / as.numeric(t(v)%*%w)
  return(outcome)
}</pre>
```

This is a very good start! We now have a function that easily provides us with the sensitivity values for any matrix. All we have to do now to get the sensitivity of P is to type sens(P).

For this we describe the asymptotic growth rate of the mountain population matrix, M, as a function of the asymptotic growth rate of the plain population matrix, P, our reference population plus a treatment effect:

$$\lambda^{(M)} \approx \lambda^{(P)} + \sum_{i,j} \left( a_{ij}^{(M)} - a_{ij}^{(P)} \right) \frac{\partial \lambda^A}{\partial a_{ij}^A} \tag{3}$$

Let us work through the right part of this equation together.

- $\lambda^{(P)}$  is the asymptotic growth rate of the  ${m P}$  matrix.
- The term  $(a_{ij}^{(M)} a_{ij}^{(P)})$ , is the change in the elements of the matrix due to the treatment effect, here the moutain habitat. It tells us how different an element in matrix M is from the element at the same position in matrix P.
- The last part,  $\frac{\partial \lambda^A}{\partial a_{ij}^A}$ , is the sensitivities of the asymptotic growth rate of a "mid-way" matrix to elements of that "mid-way" matrix. This matrix is the mean between  $\boldsymbol{P}$  and  $\boldsymbol{M}$  and is thus given by

$$\boldsymbol{A} = \frac{\boldsymbol{M} + \boldsymbol{P}}{2} \tag{4}$$

The matrix A is used because we need a matrix to compare matrices P and M against. It is possible to use either matrix P or M instead but this would give more weight to the selected matrix. Therefore we use the matrix that lies just in between.

• The multiplication of the sensitivities with the summation term defines how much the change in each elements of the matrix due to the treatment affects the asymptotic growth rate. In other word they are the contributions of the  $a_{ij}$  to the effect of the habitat on the growth. It is necessary to do this because for example, a large difference between the elements

in the same position may in fact have little effect on the growth if the senstitivity for this position is low.

You may have recognized that equation 3 is a linear equation (y = b + ax). This method makes the assumption that the relationship between the matrices is linear and that the slope of this equation is given by  $\frac{\partial \lambda^A}{\partial a^A}$ .

With equation 3, find the value of  $\lambda^{(M)}$  using R and compare it to the value you found earlier. How different are they? More interestingly: which difference in the matrix elements is mainly responsible for this difference? Is it the juvenile survival, the adult survival or the reproductive rate?

Hint Find the "mid-way" matrix. For the sensitivities.

#### 1.2 Fixed Factorial Designs (Theory)

Factorial LTRE allows the examination of the effects of several treatments and their interactions. This is the case for your rotifer data where you have a "layer" treatment, a "pollution" treatment and a "species" treatment. Not all the combinations were investigated though; the layers "recovery" and "pollution" contained only the species BU whereas the layers "commercial" and "postpollution" contained only species BC. What difficulty would this pose if you want to compare the species to each other? Because of this, we cannot make a full factorial LTRE on the rotifer data, but we will examine subsets of the full dataset.

For example let us consider the species BU which has two treatments of the type "layer": the layers "recovery" (r) and "pollution" (p). For each of these layers it has 3 possible levels for the copper treatment: "low" (l), "medium" (m) and "high" (h). We thus have two factors, one with two levels, the second with three levels.

A factorial LTRE is similar to a one-way LTRE; we want to find which differences in matrix elements between a focal matrix and a reference matrix contribute the most to the difference in  $\lambda$  between the two matrices. Let us take the matrix "recovery" and "low" which we call  $M^{r,l}$  as the focal matrix, for this we average the rates over all the 6 replicates that were subject to this treatment (r,l). We compare it to the matrix naive to any treatment, which we call  $M^{\cdots}$ . This matrix is obtained from taking the average rates for all the matrices that we are comparing to each other (that is in this case the average of  $M^{r,l}, M^{r,m}, M^{r,h}, M^{p,l}, M^{p,m}$  and  $M^{p,h}$ ). Again we are interested in understanding the effect of the different treatments on the asymptotic growth rates.

$$\lambda^{r,l} = \lambda^{..} + \alpha^r + \beta^l + (\alpha\beta)^{r,l} \tag{5}$$

Equation 5 tells us that  $\lambda^{r,l}$  can be found from  $\lambda$ . plus an effect from the layer "recovery", an effect from the pollution "low" and an interaction between the two treatments.

To isolate the effect of each treatment, we need to look at them separately. So we examine a matrix  $M^{r}$ , where the effect of pollution is ignored. The rates

of this matrix are calculated as the average of all the matrices with the layer "recovery".

$$\alpha^r = \sum_{ij} (a_{ij}^{r.} - a_{ij}^{..}) \frac{\partial \lambda^A}{\partial a_{ij}^A}$$
 (6)

The structure of equation 6 is the same as the last part of equation 3. The matrix A is again a "mid-way" matrix between  $M^r$  and  $M^r$ .  $\alpha^r$  tells us how large the effect of the treatment "layer" is on the asymptotic growth rate. If we want to know which matrix elements are responsible for this effect, we need to look at the separate contributions to  $\alpha^r$   $((a_{ij}^r - a_{ij}^r)\frac{\partial \lambda^A}{\partial a_{ij}^A})$ . Analogously we can also calculate  $\alpha^p$ .

We do the same for the second factor. We examine a matrix  $M^{l}$ , where the effect of the layer is ignored:

$$\beta^{l} = \sum_{ij} (a_{ij}^{\cdot l} - a_{ij}^{\cdot \cdot}) \frac{\partial \lambda^{B}}{\partial a_{ij}^{B}}$$
 (7)

For the interaction effect, we apply the same logic. We examine a matrix  $M^{rl}$  where both the effects of the layer and the pollution are taken into account so as to capture the effect of the interaction between the two factors. Because we want to isolate the interaction effect, we need to remove the effects of the layer and copper treatment.

$$(\alpha\beta)^{rl} = \sum_{ij} (a_{ij}^{rl} - a_{ij}^{\cdot \cdot}) \frac{\partial \lambda^C}{\partial a_{ij}^C} - \alpha^r - \beta^l$$
 (8)

So far we have considered only the effect of the layer "recovery" and the pollution "low". Of course this can be extended to all other layers of all treatments. So in general the equations become for k the level of treatment 1 and m the level of treatment 2.

$$\lambda^{k,m} = \lambda^{..} + \alpha^k + \beta^m + (\alpha\beta)^{k,m} \tag{9}$$

$$\alpha^k = \sum_{ij} (a_{ij}^k - a_{ij}^*) \frac{\partial \lambda^A}{\partial a_{ij}^A} \tag{10}$$

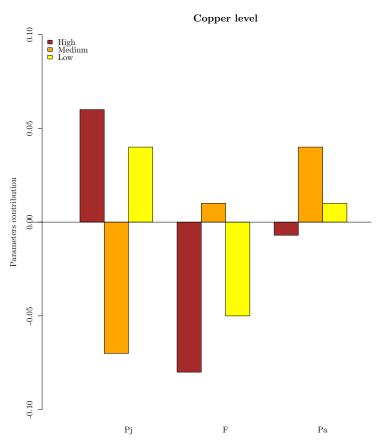
$$\beta^m = \sum_{ij} (a_{ij}^{m} - a_{ij}^{m}) \frac{\partial \lambda^B}{\partial a_{ij}^B}$$
(11)

$$(\alpha\beta)^{km} = \sum_{ij} (a_{ij}^{km} - a_{ij}^{...}) \frac{\partial \lambda^C}{\partial a_{ij}^C} - \alpha^k - \beta^m$$
 (12)

In these equations:

$$A = \frac{M^{k\cdot} + M^{\cdot\cdot}}{2} \qquad B = \frac{M^{\cdot m} + M^{\cdot\cdot}}{2} \qquad C = \frac{M^{km} + M^{\cdot\cdot}}{2}$$
(13)

LTREs provide additional information to the growth rate as it describes how the different treatments affect the growth rate. In particular, LTRE allow a detailed comparison of the effect of a treatment on growth rate by examining the contribution of each survival and fertility rate to the gorwth rates of populations subjected to different treatment levels. For example, the graph below depicts the contribution of each element of populations under different copper levels to the growth rate. Each bar describes what is the contribution of an element to the growth rate when subjected to a given treatment level. What conclusions can you draw from this graph?



## 2 Rotifer data analysis

In this section, you will apply the factorial LTRE to the rotifer data to compare the layers "pollution" and "recovery". The second factor is the copper treatment with the levels "low", "high", "medium".

#### 2.1 Rate estimation

Before we can start with the analysis of the population matrices, we first need... the matrices and thus the rates (survival and reproduction). Here, we have only two stages: juveniles and adults, so we consider a  $2 \times 2$  matrix. First, we load in the data:

```
Rot <- read.csv("/Users/koen/Documents/Given Courses/BIO311/Prac 9/rotifer_data.csv")[,2:9]
## Warning in file(file, "rt"): cannot open file '/Users/koen/Documents/Given
Courses/BIO311/Prac 9/rotifer_data.csv': No such file or directory
## Error in file(file, "rt"): cannot open the connection
table(Rot$Copper)
## Error in table(Rot$Copper): object 'Rot' not found
Rot$Copper[Rot$Copper==1000] <- 100</pre>
## Error in Rot$Copper[Rot$Copper == 1000] <- 100: object 'Rot' not
found
table(Rot$Layer)
## Error in table(Rot$Layer): object 'Rot' not found
Rot$Layer[Rot$Layer=="Post"] <- "post"</pre>
## Error in Rot$Layer[Rot$Layer == "Post"] <- "post": object 'Rot'
not found
Rotti<-reshape(Rot,timevar="Day",idvar=c("Clone","Copper","Layer"),direction="wide")
## Error in reshape(Rot, timevar = "Day", idvar = c("Clone", "Copper",
"Layer"), : object 'Rot' not found
Rates <- Rotti[,1:3]</pre>
## Error in eval(expr, envir, enclos): object 'Rotti' not found
```

We shall now first calculate the adult survival rate for the period from day 1 to day 2.

```
# 1 --> 2
Rates$Sa1 <- (Rotti$Live_Adult.1 - Rotti$Dead_Adult.2)/ Rotti$Live_Adult.1
## Error in eval(expr, envir, enclos): object 'Rotti' not found
Rates$M1 <- (Rotti$Live_Adult.2 + Rotti$Dead_Adult.2 - Rotti$Live_Adult.1) / Rotti$Live_Juv
## Error in eval(expr, envir, enclos): object 'Rotti' not found</pre>
```

```
Rates$Sj1 <- (Rotti$Live_Juv.1 - (Rotti$Live_Adult.2 + Rotti$Dead_Adult.2 - Rotti$Live_Adult.
## Error in eval(expr, envir, enclos): object 'Rotti' not found
Rates$R1 <- (Rotti$Live_Juv.2 - Rotti$Live_Juv.2*Rates$Sj1) / Rotti$Live_Adult.1
## Error in eval(expr, envir, enclos): object 'Rotti' not found
# 2 --> 3
Rates$Sa2 <- (Rotti$Live_Adult.2 - Rotti$Dead_Adult.3)/ Rotti$Live_Adult.2
## Error in eval(expr, envir, enclos): object 'Rotti' not found
Rates$M2 <- (Rotti$Live_Adult.3 + Rotti$Dead_Adult.3 - Rotti$Live_Adult.2) / Rotti$Live_Juv
## Error in eval(expr, envir, enclos): object 'Rotti' not found
Rates$Sj2 <- (Rotti$Live_Juv.2 - (Rotti$Live_Adult.3 + Rotti$Dead_Adult.3 - Rotti$Live_Adult.3 - Rotti$Live_Adult.
## Error in eval(expr, envir, enclos): object 'Rotti' not found
Rates$R2 <- (Rotti$Live_Juv.3 - Rotti$Live_Juv.3*Rates$Sj2) / Rotti$Live_Adult.2
## Error in eval(expr, envir, enclos): object 'Rotti' not found
# Averages
Rates$SaM <- (Rates$Sa1 + Rates$Sa2)/2</pre>
## Error in eval(expr, envir, enclos): object 'Rates' not found
Rates$MM <- (Rates$M1 + Rates$M2)/2</pre>
## Error in eval(expr, envir, enclos): object 'Rates' not found
Rates$SjM <- (Rates$Sj1 + Rates$Sj2)/2</pre>
## Error in eval(expr, envir, enclos): object 'Rates' not found
Rates$RM <- (Rates$R1 + Rates$R2)/2
## Error in eval(expr, envir, enclos): object 'Rates' not found
Rates2 <- Rates[,c('Copper','Layer','SaM','MM','SjM','RM')]</pre>
## Error in eval(expr, envir, enclos): object 'Rates' not found
Rates3 <- aggregate( .~ Copper+Layer, Rates2, mean)</pre>
## Error in eval(expr, envir, enclos): object 'Rates2' not found
Rates3$lambda <- NA
## Error in Rates3$lambda <- NA: object 'Rates3' not found
for(i in 1:nrow(Rates3)){
   Mat <- matrix(c(Rates3$SjM[i],Rates3$MM[i],Rates3$RM[i],Rates3$SaM[i]),nrow=2)</pre>
   Rates3$lambda[i] <- eigen(Mat)$values[1]</pre>
## Error in nrow(Rates3): object 'Rates3' not found
```

```
#### FACTORIAL DESIGN LTRE
library(popbio)
LTRE <- function(A,B){
 M \leftarrow (A+B)/2
  (A-B) * sensitivity(M)
MatMean <- matrix(c(mean(Rates3$SjM),mean(Rates3$SMM),mean(Rates3$SMM)),mean(Rates3$SAM)),nrow-
## Error in mean(Rates3$SjM): object 'Rates3' not found
### Copper treatment
temp <- Rates3[,c('Copper','SaM','MM','SjM','RM')]</pre>
## Error in eval(expr, envir, enclos): object 'Rates3' not found
tempc <- aggregate(.~Copper,temp,mean)</pre>
## Error in eval(expr, envir, enclos): object 'temp' not found
copper <- list(3)</pre>
for(i in 1:3){
  mat <- matrix(c(tempc$SjM[i],tempc$MM[i],tempc$RM[i],tempc$SaM[i]),nrow=2)</pre>
  copper[[i]] <- LTRE(mat,MatMean)</pre>
## Error in matrix(c(tempc$SjM[i], tempc$MM[i], tempc$RM[i], tempc$SaM[i]),
: object 'tempc' not found
names(copper) <- tempc$Copper</pre>
## Error in eval(expr, envir, enclos): object 'tempc' not found
### Layer treatment
temp <- Rates3[,c('Layer','SaM','MM','SjM','RM')]</pre>
## Error in eval(expr, envir, enclos): object 'Rates3' not found
templ <- aggregate(.~Layer,temp,mean)</pre>
## Error in eval(expr, envir, enclos): object 'temp' not found
layer <- list(3)</pre>
for(i in 1:3){
  mat <- matrix(c(templ$SjM[i],templ$MM[i],templ$RM[i],templ$SaM[i]),nrow=2)</pre>
  layer[[i]] <- LTRE(mat,MatMean)</pre>
## Error in matrix(c(templ$SjM[i], templ$MM[i], templ$RM[i], templ$SaM[i]),
: object 'templ' not found
```

```
names(layer) = templ$Layer

## Error in eval(expr, envir, enclos): object 'templ' not found

### Interactions

temp2 <- Rates3[,c('Copper','Layer','SaM','MM','SjM','RM')]

## Error in eval(expr, envir, enclos): object 'Rates3' not found

interaction <- list(9)

for(i in 1:9){
    mat <- matrix(c(temp2$SjM[i],temp2$MM[i],temp2$RM[i],temp2$SaM[i]),nrow=2)
    interaction[[i]] <- LTRE(mat,MatMean) - layer[[as.character(temp2$Layer[i])]] - copper[[as.]

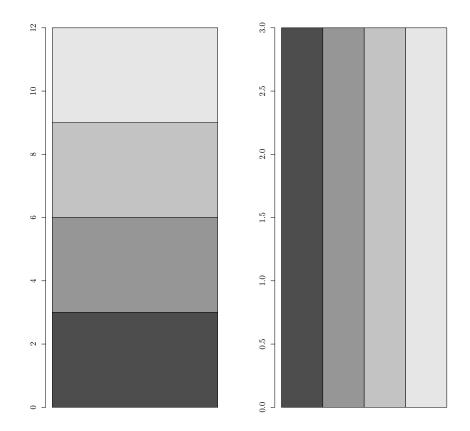
## Error in matrix(c(temp2$SjM[i], temp2$MM[i], temp2$RM[i], temp2$SaM[i]),
    : object 'temp2' not found

### Plots

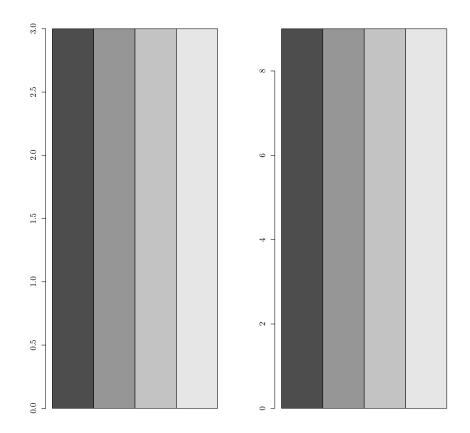
par(mfrow=c(1,2))

barplot(matrix(unlist(copper),nrow=4),beside=F)

barplot(matrix(unlist(copper),nrow=4),beside=T)</pre>
```



barplot(matrix(unlist(layer),nrow=4),beside=T)
barplot(matrix(unlist(interaction),nrow=4),beside=T)



```
## Summary
sapply(copper,sum)

## [1] 3
sapply(layer,sum)

## [1] 3
sapply(interaction,sum)

## [1] 9

### Outcome check

Rates3$lambda2 <- NA

## Error in Rates3$lambda2 <- NA: object 'Rates3' not found</pre>
```

```
Rates3$lambda3 <- NA: object 'Rates3' not found
lam_mean <- lambda(MatMean)

## Error in as.matrix(x): object 'MatMean' not found

for(i in 1:9){
   Rates3$lambda2[i] <- lam_mean + sum(copper[[as.character(Rates3$Copper[i])]]) +sum(layer[
   Rates3$lambda3[i] <- lam_mean + sum(copper[[as.character(Rates3$Copper[i])]]) +sum(layer[
   Rates3$lambda3[i] <- lam_mean + not found

Rates3

## Error: object 'lam_mean' not found

Rates3

## Error in eval(expr, envir, enclos): object 'Rates3' not found</pre>
```

#### 2.2 LTRE

- 1. Because in the lab, you have made several replicates for each treatment combination, you now have a rate per replicate. We are however interested in the average rates per treatment. We want one juvenile survival rate, one adult survival rate and one fertility rate per population, per copper level and per species. For this you can use the aggregate() function that we have seen in practical 6 and find the mean. Use the function three times seperately, once for each of the rates that we are interested in. Store the results in a variable. Use ?aggregate to see how to use the function. You will need to use one special argument: na.rm=TRUE. This is to make sure that when there are NAs in the dataset, the function ignores them and still returns a value.
- 2. Now you have three separate lists. You want to group them. For this you can adapt the following lines of code. Use the names of the variables that you specified in the previous step.

```
younewdata1<-merge(SurvJuv, SurvAdu, by=c(1,2,3))
#by set the column by which to merge the two elements

younewdata2<-merge(younewdata1, Fertility, by=c(1,2,3))
```

You can in addition give a more meaningful name to the columns by using:

```
colnames(younewdata2)<-c("name of col1",
"name of col2", "name of col3",
"name of col4", "name of col5", "name of col6")</pre>
```

- 3. We mentioned that we are only interested at the moment in the layer "Recovery" and "Pollution". Both contained the species BU. Thus, select only the BU species with the **subset** function that we also used in practical 6.
- 4. Below is a useful function for the LTRE. It allows you to extract a specific matrix per treatment by using get\_matrix. You need to give it the following arguments 1) the dataset from which you want to extract the matrix, 2) the name of the layer that you are interested in (for example "Pollution"), and 3) the name of the copper level (for example "high"). You do not need to understand the details of this code. If you run this code once during your R-session, R will remember it and every time you type get\_matrix(data,layer,copper) it will execute that code.

```
#code for function to extract matrices from the dataset#
get_matrix<-function(roti,pop,cop){</pre>
 if(!pop %in% c(levels(roti$Population), "mean")){
   warning("Something went wrong, give the instructors
           a cookie and they may help you out:
           \n----\n ",pop,
       " is not a valid entry\n-----
   return()
 if(!cop %in% c(levels(roti$Copper), "mean")){
   warning("Something went wrong, give the instructors
           a cookie and they may help you out:
           \n----\n ",cop,"
           is not a valid entry\n-----
   return()
 if(pop=="mean" & cop=="mean"){
   i<-1:length(roti$Copper)</pre>
  }else if(pop=="mean"){
   i<-which(roti$Copper==cop)</pre>
  }else if(cop=="mean"){
   i<-which(roti$Population==pop)</pre>
  }else{
```

- 5. With the get\_matrix function, extract the matrix for each treatment combinations (6 matrices in total). You need to specify the dataset in the first position, in the second position you need to specify the layer and in the third position the copper level.
- 6. Get the growth rate  $\lambda$  of each of these matrix.
- 7. Now we get to the LTRE. Let us isolate the effect of the first treatment which is the layer. This factor has two levels; pollution and recovery. What we need to do is to implement equation 10 in R. Let us find the  $\alpha$  for the level "pollution" first;  $\alpha^p$ .
  - (a) Find the matrix M<sup>··</sup>. The rates of this matrix are the averages of the rates of all the matrices of the BU species. For this you can use the get\_matrix function. The second argument concerns the layer, but here we want the mean rate over all the layers, we have written the function such that you can achieve this by typing "mean" as an argument for the layer. The same holds for the third argument.
  - (b) Next you need the mean pollution matrix,  $M^{p}$ . Again, use the get\_matrix function.

small tip Here you can do a little trick to be able to use the code later on a different subset of your dataset. Before using the get\_matrix function, set a new name to your focal layers like in the code below. Then in get\_matrix, instead of calling for "Pollution", call for yourname1.

```
yourname1<-'Pollution'
yourname2<-'Recovery'
```

- (c) Find the  $\lambda$  for this matrix.
- (d) Find the "mid-way" matrix between M and  $M^p$ . This is the mean matrix between M and  $M^p$ .
- (e) For equation 10, you need the summation term and the sensitivity of the "mid-way" matrix. Let us look first at the summation term. You need the difference between the elements of matrix  $M^p$  and of matrix  $M^n$ . Thus take  $(M^p M^n)$ .

- (f) To find the sensitivity of the "mid-way" matrix, use the function sensitivity from the package popbio (see subsection sensitivity).
- (g) Finally, multiply the substraction matrix by the sensitivity matrix (not a matrix multiplication!) and save this in a matrix.
- (h) The sum of this matrix is your  $\alpha^p$ , the effect of the layer "Pollution" on the asymptotic growth rate. The separate entries of this matrix show how much each element of the population matrices contributes to the difference in  $\lambda$  between them.
- (i) Store this matrix because the different elements of the matrix are what we are ultimately interested in. Check whether the effect you found indeed explains the difference between  $M^{\cdot \cdot}$  and  $M^{p \cdot}$ .
- 8. Repeat the same proceedure to find the second  $\alpha$ ,  $\alpha^r$  and store the separate contributions  $(a_{ij}^{k.} a_{ij}^{...}) \frac{\partial \lambda^A}{\partial a_{ij}^A}$ . DO the same for the three values for  $\beta$  and finally for the interactions. For the separate contribution of the interactions  $(a_{ij}^{km} a_{ij}^{...}) \frac{\partial \lambda^C}{\partial a_{ij}^C}$ , do not forget to substract the corresponding contributions from the  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$ .
- 9. Once you have all the contributions of all the treatments, you may want to compare them. A possible graphs is a bar plot representing on the same graph the contribution to each parameter of each level of a factor, see for an example the graph above. If you agree that these sort of graphs are interesting, you can follow the next instructions. Feel free however to follow a different logic to produce the same graphs or to present your results in a different way. We do not claim to provide the most efficient code; any comments on how to improve the code are welcome.
  - (a) Let us first look at the effect of the layer on the rates. One way of doing this is first to transform your matrices into vectors, using the as.vector() function and then combine the vector of each matrix into an array with cbind(). (you can actually ignore the first element of the matrices, the transition from juvenile to juvenile because it is always zero by selecting the vector elements 2 to 4). The columns are the layers and the row the rates.
  - (b) You can now use the barplot() command to plot bar graphs. Specify beside=TRUE to see the bars next to each other rather than on top of each other.
  - (c) You may see that each bar (color) represents a rate although it would be more informative if each bar would be a layer. To correct for this, you can take the transpose of the array by using the function t() (we have seen this earlier this practical) and do the bar plot of the transpose.
  - (d) There are a few arguments you may want to use in the barplot() command to improve the visual appearance of the graph such as xlab=, ylab=, xlim=c(), ylim=c(), col=c("colorname"), main="yourtitle".

- (e) Additionally, you may want to specify a legend and an axis. This you can do with the commands legend() and axis(). Look them up in the help section to see how to use them.
- (f) Don't forget to save your figures! A detailed description is given at the end of practical 6.
- 10. Repeat all of the steps above for the combinations of the layers "Commercial" & "Postpollution" and of the layers "Postpollution".

If you manage to go through all the steps describe above, you should now know the growth rate of your populations, have performed three LTRE analyses on your rotifer data and have plots to include in your report. The interpretation of the results is up to you.

#### Good luck!



Figure 2: random picture, from wikipedia.

```
#Open data
rm(list = ls())
rot<-read.csv("BIO311_with_rates.csv", sep=",")</pre>
str(rot)
  'data.frame': 72 obs. of 13 variables:
##
   $ Group.ID : Factor w/ 6 levels "A", "B", "C", "D", ...: 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 ...
##
##
   $ Population : Factor w/ 4 levels "Commercial", "Pollution", ..: 1 1 1 2 2 3 3 3 3 4 ...
   $ Species
               : Factor w/ 2 levels "BC", "BU": 1 1 1 2 2 1 1 1 1 2 ...
                 : Factor w/ 3 levels "high", "low", "medium": 2 3 1 2 1 2 3 3 1 2 ...
   $ Copper
##
##
   $ Replicate : int
                       1 6 4 2 3 6 2 4 2 1 ...
                 : int 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 ...
##
   $ Day
##
   $ Alive_Juv : int 6 5 5 1 1 0 1 3 1 2 ...
   $ Alive_Adult: int
                        7 8 7 5 3 2 3 4 2 6 ...
##
  $ Dead_Juv : int 0 0 0 0 0 0 1 0 0 ...
```

```
## $ Dead_Adult : int 2 0 4 0 2 4 2 1 1 0 ...
## $ Pj
                : num 0.833 1 1 0 0 0 1 0 0 0.5 ...
## $ Pa
                : num 0.714 1 0.714 0 0.667 0 1 0.75 0.5 0.833 ...
##
  $ F
                : num 8 1.625 2 0 0.333 ...
#Find the avg rate per treatment
Pj<-aggregate(rot$Pj, list(rot$Population, rot$Copper, rot$Species),
             na.rm=TRUE, FUN="mean")
Рj
##
           Group.1 Group.2 Group.3
## 1
        Commercial
                     high
                                BC 0.8916667
## 2 Postpollution
                      high
                                BC 0.4166667
## 3
        Commercial
                      low
                                BC 0.8555000
## 4
                                BC 0.2500000
     Postpollution
                      low
## 5
        Commercial medium
                                BC 0.9206667
## 6
                                BC 0.4000000
    Postpollution medium
## 7
        Pollution
                    high
                                BU 0.5832500
## 8
                                BU 0.7221667
          Recovery
                      high
                                BU 0.5833333
## 9
         Pollution
                      low
## 10
                       low
                                BU 0.5833333
         Recovery
## 11
         Pollution medium
                                BU 0.3195000
## 12
          Recovery medium
                                BU 0.2000000
Pa<-aggregate(rot$Pa, list(rot$Population, rot$Copper, rot$Species),
             na.rm=TRUE, FUN="mean")
Pa
##
           Group.1 Group.2 Group.3
                                BC 0.9523333
## 1
        Commercial high
## 2 Postpollution
                                BC 0.5833333
                      high
## 3
        Commercial
                      low
                                BC 0.9523333
                                BC 0.5832500
## 4
     Postpollution
                      low
## 5
                                BC 0.9583333
        Commercial medium
## 6
     Postpollution medium
                                BC 0.5833333
## 7
         Pollution
                    high
                                BU 0.8334000
## 8
         Recovery
                    high
                                BU 0.9583333
                                BU 0.6695000
## 9
         Pollution
                      low
## 10
         Recovery
                       low
                                BU 0.8888333
         Pollution medium
## 11
                                BU 0.8790000
## 12
          Recovery medium
                                BU 0.7111667
F<-aggregate(rot$F, list(rot$Population, rot$Copper, rot$Species),
            na.rm=TRUE, FUN="mean")
```

```
Group.1 Group.2 Group.3
##
## 1
                       high
                                 BC 2.8556667
         Commercial
## 2
                                 BC 0.5750000
     Postpollution
                       high
## 3
                       low
                                 BC 3.3523333
         Commercial
## 4
      Postpollution
                        low
                                 BC 1.0000000
## 5
                                 BC 2.2175000
         Commercial medium
## 6
     Postpollution medium
                                 BC 1.1527778
## 7
          Pollution
                       high
                                 BU 0.5126000
## 8
                                 BU 0.5973333
          Recovery
                       high
## 9
          Pollution
                        low
                                 BU 0.8451667
## 10
          Recovery
                        low
                                 BU 0.8888333
## 11
          Pollution medium
                                 BU 1.2013333
## 12
                                 BU 0.5911667
          Recovery medium
Surv<-merge(Pj, Pa, by=c(1,2,3))
Surv
            Group.1 Group.2 Group.3
##
                                           x.x
         Commercial
                      high
                                 BC 0.8916667 0.9523333
## 2
         Commercial
                       low
                                 BC 0.8555000 0.9523333
## 3
         Commercial medium
                                 BC 0.9206667 0.9583333
## 4
          Pollution high
                                 BU 0.5832500 0.8334000
## 5
          Pollution
                       low
                                 BU 0.5833333 0.6695000
## 6
          Pollution medium
                                 BU 0.3195000 0.8790000
## 7
     Postpollution
                     high
                                 BC 0.4166667 0.5833333
                                 BC 0.2500000 0.5832500
## 8
      Postpollution
                        low
## 9
      Postpollution medium
                                 BC 0.4000000 0.5833333
## 10
                                 BU 0.7221667 0.9583333
           Recovery
                       high
## 11
           Recovery
                        low
                                 BU 0.5833333 0.8888333
## 12
                                 BU 0.2000000 0.7111667
           Recovery medium
# Merge it into one dataset
Roti <- merge (Surv, F, by=c(1,2,3))
colnames(Roti) <- c("Population", "Copper", "Species", "Pj", "Pa", "F")</pre>
Roti
##
         Population Copper Species
                                           Рj
                                                     Pa
## 1
         Commercial
                      high
                                BC 0.8916667 0.9523333
## 2
                       low
                                BC 0.8555000 0.9523333
         Commercial
## 3
                                BC 0.9206667 0.9583333
         Commercial medium
## 4
          Pollution
                     high
                                BU 0.5832500 0.8334000
                                BU 0.5833333 0.6695000
## 5
          Pollution
                      low
## 6
          Pollution medium
                                BU 0.3195000 0.8790000
## 7
      Postpollution
                      high
                                BC 0.4166667 0.5833333
## 8 Postpollution
                                BC 0.2500000 0.5832500
                       low
```

```
## 9 Postpollution medium
                               BC 0.4000000 0.5833333
## 10
          Recovery high
                               BU 0.7221667 0.9583333
## 11
                     low
          Recovery
                               BU 0.5833333 0.8888333
## 12
          Recovery medium
                               BU 0.2000000 0.7111667
##
## 1 2.8556667
## 2 3.3523333
## 3 2.2175000
## 4 0.5126000
## 5 0.8451667
## 6 1.2013333
## 7 0.5750000
## 8 1.0000000
## 9 1.1527778
## 10 0.5973333
## 11 0.8888333
## 12 0.5911667
#Finding the lambda for each matrix (optional)
Roti$lambda<-NA
library('popbio')
for (i in 1:length(Roti$Pj)){
 M<-matrix(c(0, Roti$Pj[i], Roti$F[i], Roti$Pa[i]), nrow=2, ncol=2)
 Roti$lambda[i]<-lambda(M)
Roti
##
        Population Copper Species
                                        Рj
## 1
        Commercial high
                              BC 0.8916667 0.9523333
## 2
        Commercial
                    low
                               BC 0.8555000 0.9523333
## 3
        Commercial medium
                              BC 0.9206667 0.9583333
## 4
         Pollution high
                               BU 0.5832500 0.8334000
## 5
         Pollution
                    low
                              BU 0.5833333 0.6695000
## 6
         Pollution medium
                               BU 0.3195000 0.8790000
## 7
     Postpollution high
                               BC 0.4166667 0.5833333
## 8
     Postpollution
                               BC 0.2500000 0.5832500
                     low
## 9
      Postpollution medium
                               BC 0.4000000 0.5833333
                               BU 0.7221667 0.9583333
## 10
          Recovery
                     high
## 11
          Recovery
                      low
                               BU 0.5833333 0.8888333
## 12
                               BU 0.2000000 0.7111667
          Recovery medium
##
             F
                  lambda
## 1 2.8556667 2.1414106
## 2 3.3523333 2.2353301
## 3 2.2175000 1.9862098
```

```
## 4 0.5126000 1.1041684
## 5 0.8451667 1.1126134
## 6 1.2013333 1.1990961
## 7 0.5750000 0.8614498
## 8 1.0000000 0.8704558
## 9 1.1527778 1.0307070
## 10 0.5973333 1.2921703
## 11 0.8888333 1.2905799
## 12 0.5911667 0.8502275
#----- code for function to extract matrices from the dataset-----#
get_matrix<-function(roti,pop,cop){</pre>
 if(!pop %in% c(levels(roti$Population), "mean")){
   warning("Something went wrong, give the instructors a cookie and they may help you out:
           pop," is not a valid entry\n----\n")
   return()
 if(!cop %in% c(levels(roti$Copper), "mean")){
   warning("Something went wrong, give the instructors a cookie and they may help you out:
           cop," is not a valid entry\n")
   return()
 if(pop=="mean" & cop=="mean"){
   i<-1:length(roti$Copper)</pre>
 }else if(pop=="mean"){
   i<-which(roti$Copper==cop)</pre>
  }else if(cop=="mean"){
   i<-which(roti$Population==pop)</pre>
  }else{
   i<-which(roti$Population==pop & roti$Copper==cop)</pre>
 A<-matrix(c(0, mean(roti$Pj[i]), mean(roti$F[i]),
             mean(roti$Pa[i])), nrow=2, ncol=2)
 return(A)
  }
            -----#
#Get the matrices we are interested in (for Species BC)
library(popbio)
a<-'Pollution'</pre>
ash<-'Poll' # Short name for layer a
```

```
b<-'Recovery'
bsh<-'Rec' # Short name for layer b
Rotisub <- subset(Roti, Roti$Population==a | Roti$Population==b)</pre>
Rotisub
##
      Population Copper Species
                                        Рj
                                                   Рa
## 4
       Pollution
                  high BU 0.5832500 0.8334000 0.5126000
## 5 Pollution
                    low
                            BU 0.5833333 0.6695000 0.8451667
## 6 Pollution medium
                            BU 0.3195000 0.8790000 1.2013333
## 10 Recovery high
                            BU 0.7221667 0.9583333 0.5973333
                         BU 0.7221667 0.9583333 0.5973333
BU 0.5833333 0.8888333 0.8888333
## 11
      Recovery
                   low
                         BU 0.2000000 0.7111667 0.5911667
## 12
       Recovery medium
##
        lambda
## 4 1.1041684
## 5 1.1126134
## 6 1.1990961
## 10 1.2921703
## 11 1.2905799
## 12 0.8502275
#Here let us do the LTRE
#two factors: population (1) and Copper (2)
#The average matrix:
M<-get_matrix(Rotisub, "mean", "mean")</pre>
#First the effect of population (1)-> alpha
Pop1<-get_matrix(Rotisub, a, "mean")</pre>
#Population level 3->Postpollution
#Population level 1->Pollution
     #Pollution
       #The mid-way matrix
A < -((M+Pop1)/2)
alpha1<-(Pop1-M)*sensitivity(A)</pre>
alpha1
##
                 [,1]
                             [,2]
## [1,] 0.00000000 0.02648626
## [2,] -0.001746024 -0.02259442
#Recovery
Pop2<-get_matrix(Rotisub, b, "mean")</pre>
       #The mid-way matrix
B < -((M + Pop2)/2)
alpha2<-(Pop2-M)*sensitivity(B)</pre>
alpha2
```

```
## [,1] [,2]
## [1,] 0.00000000 -0.02727686
## [2,] 0.001610043 0.02307102
#Second the effect of Copper (2)-> beta
hig<-get_matrix(Rotisub, "mean", "high")</pre>
med<-get_matrix(Rotisub, "mean", "medium")</pre>
low<-get_matrix(Rotisub, "mean", "low")</pre>
#Copper level 1->High
#Copper leve 2->Medium
#Copper leve 3->Low
     #High
       #The mid-way matrix
#for beta:
C < -((M+hig)/2)
beta1<-(hig-M)*sensitivity(C)</pre>
beta1
##
              [,1]
                          [,2]
## [1,] 0.00000000 -0.08325026
## [2,] 0.06794042 0.05693927
  #Medium
      #The mid-way matrix
#for beta:
D < -((M+med)/2)
beta2<-(med-M)*sensitivity(D)</pre>
beta2
##
              [,1]
                          [,2]
## [1,] 0.0000000 0.03379360
## [2,] -0.1438248 -0.02240382
 #Low
       #The mid-way matrix
#for beta:
E < -((M+low)/2)
beta3<-(low-M)*sensitivity(E)</pre>
beta3
              [,1]
                          [,2]
## [1,] 0.0000000 0.03280523
## [2,] 0.04469452 -0.03349652
```

```
#Interactions
#Here let us extract the 6 matrices we need:
Pop1h<-get_matrix(Rotisub, a, "high")</pre>
Pop1m<-get_matrix(Rotisub, a, "medium")</pre>
Pop11<-get_matrix(Rotisub, a, "low")</pre>
Pop2h<-get_matrix(Rotisub, b, "high")</pre>
Pop2m<-get_matrix(Rotisub, b, "medium")</pre>
Pop21<-get_matrix(Rotisub, b, "low")</pre>
       #The mid-way matrix
#for alpha:beta:
F<-((M+Pop1h)/2)
inter1<-((Pop1h-M)*sensitivity(F))-alpha1-beta1</pre>
inter1
##
              [,1]
                            [,2]
## [1,] 0.0000000 -0.04088048
## [2,] -0.0284428 -0.02644883
       #The mid-way matrix
#for alpha:beta:
G<-((M+Pop1m)/2)
#The loop
inter2<-((Pop1m-M)*sensitivity(G))-alpha1-beta2</pre>
inter2
               [,1]
                           [,2]
## [1,] 0.0000000 0.05434000
## [2,] 0.02999683 0.08829047
#The mid-way matrix
#for alpha:beta:
H<-((M+Pop11)/2)
inter3<-((Pop11-M)*sensitivity(H))-alpha1-beta3</pre>
inter3
                [,1]
                             [,2]
## [1,] 0.00000000 -0.03349910
## [2,] 0.002175623 -0.05864936
#The mid-way matrix
#for alpha:beta:
```

```
I \leftarrow ((M+Pop2h)/2)
inter4<-((Pop2h-M)*sensitivity(I))-alpha2-beta1
inter4
##
               [,1]
                           [,2]
## [1,] 0.0000000 0.04235057
## [2,] 0.02797452 0.02575050
#The mid-way matrix
#for alpha:beta:
J \leftarrow ((M + Pop2m)/2)
inter5<-((Pop2m-M)*sensitivity(J))-alpha2-beta2</pre>
inter5
               [,1]
                           [,2]
## [1,] 0.0000000 -0.05759913
## [2,] -0.0217932 -0.09144026
#The mid-way matrix
#for alpha:beta:
K<-((M+Pop21)/2)
inter6<-((Pop21-M)*sensitivity(K))-alpha2-beta3</pre>
inter6
##
                 [,1]
                             [,2]
## [1,] 0.00000000 0.03395076
## [2,] -0.002051386 0.06077038
####### ARRANGING THE DATA FOR PLOTTING #############
Copper <- cbind(as.vector(beta1)[2:4], as.vector(beta2)[2:4],</pre>
                as.vector(beta3)[2:4])
colnames(Copper) <- c("High", "Medium", "Low")</pre>
rownames(Copper) <- c("Pj", "F", "Pa")</pre>
Copper
##
             High
                       Medium
## Pj 0.06794042 -0.14382485 0.04469452
## F -0.08325026 0.03379360 0.03280523
## Pa 0.05693927 -0.02240382 -0.03349652
Coppert<-t(Copper)</pre>
#Layer
Layer <- cbind(as.vector(alpha1)[2:4], as.vector(alpha2)[2:4])</pre>
colnames(Layer) <- c(a, b)</pre>
rownames(Layer) <- c("Pj", "F", "Pa")</pre>
Layer
```

```
## Pollution Recovery
## Pj -0.001746024 0.001610043
## F 0.026486263 -0.027276861
## Pa -0.022594421 0.023071020
Layert<-t(Layer)
#Interactions
Interactions <- cbind(as.vector(inter1)[2:4], as.vector(inter2)[2:4],</pre>
                      as.vector(inter3)[2:4], as.vector(inter4)[2:4],
                      as.vector(inter5)[2:4], as.vector(inter6)[2:4])
colnames(Interactions) <- axislabels</pre>
## Error in eval(expr, envir, enclos): object 'axislabels' not found
rownames(Interactions) <- c("Pj", "F", "Pa")</pre>
Interactions
             [,1]
                         [,2]
                                      [,3]
## Pj -0.02844280 0.02999683 0.002175623 0.02797452
## F -0.04088048 0.05434000 -0.033499097 0.04235057
## Pa -0.02644883 0.08829047 -0.058649357 0.02575050
##
             [,5]
                          [,6]
## Pi -0.02179320 -0.002051386
## F -0.05759913 0.033950764
## Pa -0.09144026 0.060770385
Interactionst<-t(Interactions)</pre>
# Plotting
ymin<-min(c(min(Layer),min(Copper),min(Interactions)))</pre>
ymax<-max(c(max(Layer),max(Copper),max(Interactions)))</pre>
ylim<-0.03+max(c(ymax,abs(ymin)))</pre>
limits<-c(-ylim,ylim)</pre>
#qraphs
par(mfrow=c(1,3), mar=c(3,3,3,7))
barplot(Coppert,xaxt='n', xlab="", ylab="Parameters contribution",
        ylim=limits, xlim=c(0,14), col=c("brown","orange", "yellow"),
        beside=TRUE, main="Copper level")
segments(-1,0, 13,0)
par(mar=c(5.1, 5.1, 4.1, 5.1), xpd=TRUE)
legend("topleft",
```

```
c("High", "Medium", "Low"), fill=c("brown", "orange", "yellow"),
     bty="n")
axis(side=1, at=c(3,7,11), labels=c( "Pj", "F", "Pa"), line=1,
    tick=FALSE)
barplot(Layert, xaxt='n', xlab="", ylab="", ylim=limits, xlim=c(0,14),
        col=c("blue","lightblue"), beside=TRUE, main="Layer")
segments(-1,0, 10,0)
par(mar=c(5.1, 5.1, 4.1, 5.1), xpd=TRUE)
legend("topleft",
     c(a,b), fill=c("blue","lightblue"), bty="n")
axis(side=1, at=c(2,5,8), labels=c( "Pj", "F", "Pa"), line=1, tick=FALSE)
#Interaction
#Layer
axislabels<-c()</pre>
for(i in c(ash,bsh)){
  for(j in c("H","M","L")){
    axislabels<-c(axislabels,paste(i,j,sep=""))</pre>
axislabels2<-c()</pre>
for(i in c(ash,bsh)){
  for(j in c("$+$","$\\pm$","$-$")){
    axislabels2<-c(axislabels2,paste(i,j,sep="; "))</pre>
}
rainbow(6, start = 0, end = 0.5, alpha = 0.7)
## [1] "#FF0000B3" "#FF9900B3" "#CCFF00B3" "#33FF00B3"
## [5] "#00FF66B3" "#00FFFFB3"
library("RColorBrewer")
barplot(Interactionst, xaxt='n', xlab="", ylab="", ylim=limits, xlim=c(0,20),
        col=brewer.pal(6, "Set3") , beside=TRUE, main="Interactions")
segments(-1,0, 20,0)
par(mar=c(5.1, 5.1, 4.1, 7.1), xpd=TRUE)
legend("topleft",
     axislabels2, fill=brewer.pal(6, "Set3"), bty="n", ncol=2,text.width=5)
axis(side=1, at=c(5,12,18), labels=c( "Pj", "F", "Pa"), line=1, tick=FALSE)
```

