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- Behavioral
  - How does behavior influence survival and reproduction?
  - Genetics
    - \* Mutation
    - \* Genetic Variation
    - \* Inbreeding
    - \* Genetic Drift
    - \* Neighborhoods
    - \* Effective population size
  - Extinction
    - \* Sixth mass extinction
    - \* Patterns of extinction
    - \* Endangered species
    - \* Characteristics of extinction
  - Selection
    - \* Individual selection

- \* Group selection (Self-regulation)

- \* Altruism

- \* Coefficient of relatedness

- \* Inclusive fitness

- \* Kin selection

- \* Reciprocal altruism

- \* Haplo-diploidy and eusociality

- \* Group living

  - Many eyes

  - selfish herd

- Life History

  - \* reproductive strategies

  - \* age structure

  - \* mating systems

    - monogamy

    - polygamy

    - polygyny

    - polyandry

  - \* strategies (r vs K)

- Population

  - What determines the size of populations?

  - Population Dynamics

- \* life tables
- \* reproductive rates
- \* deterministic models
- \* stochastic models
- Physical Environment
  - \* physical variables
    - temperature
    - fire
    - wind
    - salt
    - pH
    - water
  - \* Influences on:
    - species abundance
    - species richness
- Interactions
  - \* Competition
    - Tribolium (Park 1954)
    - Lotka-Volterra
    - $dN = rN \frac{K-N}{K}$
    - $\frac{dN_1}{dt} = r_1 N_1 \frac{K_1 - N_1 - \alpha N_2}{K_1}$
    - $\frac{dN_2}{dt} = r_2 N_2 \frac{K_2 - N_2 - \alpha N_1}{K_2}$
    - Yeast, flies

- $R^*$  = growth rate at resource levels at which lead to extinction
  - \* Coexistence
    - allopatry
    - sympatry
  - \* Mutualism
  - \* Predation
  - \* Herbivory
    - quantitative
    - qualitative
    - constitutive
    - induced
    - mechanical
    - repellents
    - reproduction inhibition
    - associative defense
    - mutualism
    - beneficial herbivory
  - \* Parasitism
- Community
    - What determines the numbers and composition of species?
    - Organization
      - \* Clements = superorganism
      - \* Gleason (+ Whitaker) = individualistic

- \* Climate
- \* Polar - Ferrell - Hadley Cells
- \* Adiabatic cooling 1C for 100m
- \* Life Zones
- \* Eutrophication = aging and dying
- Species Richness
  - \* Latitudinal
    - Spatial Heterogeneity
    - Competition
    - Predation
    - Pollinators
    - Time
    - Area
    - Productivity
    - Evolutionary Speed
- Diversity
  - \* Indices (alpha)
    - Dominance weighted (Simpson's)
    - Information (Shannon's, Brillouin, Evenness)
  - \* Similarity (beta)
    - Jaccard
    - Sorenson-BC =  $\frac{2a}{2a+b+c}$
- Dynamics (equilibrium vs. non-equilibrium)

- \* Resistance (change) vs. Resilience (recovery)
- \* Diversity-Stability (Elton, MacArthur, May, Pimm)
- \* May's equation  $\beta * (SC)^{\frac{1}{2}} < 1$
- \* Intermediate disturbance
- \* Succession = Elements
- Island Biogeography
  - \* Area
  - \* Distance
  - \* Immigration
  - \* Extinction
  - \* Target Effect = area + immigration
  - \* Rescue effect = Distance + extinction
- Ecosystem
  - What determines the influences the flux of nutrients?
  - Trophic Structure
    - \* Food web complexity
      - Chain length = avg links between trophic levels
      - Connectance = actual links / potential links
      - Linkage density = number of links per species
    - \* Patterns
      - Pyramids (Elton, Cohen)
    - \* Guilds

- \* keystones et al.
  - Dominants = large effect, large abundance/biomass
  - Keystone = large effect, small
  - Ecosystem engineers = modify
- Energy
  - \* Gross = all productivity
  - \* Net = Gross - loss to respiration
  - \* Limits = resources and temperature
  - \* Efficiency
  - \* Global Distribution
  - \* Secondary Production (limited by primary)
  - \* CIORPT
- Nutrients
  - \* soils
  - \* SPONCH
- Light