# Vignette: enaR

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## 1 Introduction

This package is a collection of functions to implement Ecological Network Analysis (ENA), which is a family of algorithms for investigating the structure and function of ecosystems modeled as networks of thermodynamically conserved energy—matter exchanges. The package brings together multiple ENA algorithms from several approaches into one common software framework that is readily available and extensible. The package builds on the *network* data structure for R developed by ?. In addition to being able to perform several types of ENA with a single package, users can also make use of network analysis tools built into the *network* package, the *sna* (social network analysis) package (?), and other components of what is now called *statnet* (?).

This vignette illustrates how to use the *enaR* package to perform ENA. It is not meant to be a detailed guide to ENA, but we provide some references to the primary literature for those wishing to learn more about the techniques.

## 2 Background

Before describing how to use this package, we provide a brief background of ENA. Users may find this helpful as several software design decisions were predicated on the history and current state of the field.

The ENA methodology is an application and extension of economic Input-Output Analysis (??) that was first introduced into ecology by ?. Two major schools have developed in ENA. The first is based on Dr. Robert E. Ulanowicz's work with a strong focus on trophic dynamics and a use of information theory (???). The second school has an environment focus and is built on the environ concept introduced by Dr. Bernard C. Patten (???). Patten's approach has been collectively referred to separately as Network Environ Analysis. At the core the two approaches are very similar; however, they make some different starting assumptions and follow independent yet braided development tracks. One example difference that has historically inhibited collaboration and applications is that the two schools orient their analytical matrices in different ways. The Ulanowicz school orients their matrices as flows from rows-to-columns, which is the most common orientation in the broader field of network science (e.g., ?). In contrast, the Patten School has historically oriented their matrices from column-to-row. Recent research has started to bring the work of the two schools back together (e.g., ?); we hope this software contributes to this. ? provides an entry level overview of the field.

Disparate software packages have been created to support ENA. Ulanowicz first developed and distributed the DOS based NETWRK4 code, which is still available. Recently some of these algorithms were reimplemented in an Microsoft Excel based WAND package (?). Some of these methods have also been encoded in the popular Ecopath with Ecosim software that assists with model construction (?). ? published NEA.m, a MATLAB© function that collected the Patten School's algorithms together into one set of code. One objective for this R package is to begin to bring together these different algorithms into a single accessible and extensible package. The primary ENA algorithms included in this package are summarized in Table 1 and a plot of the network of functions for the package can be found in Figure 1.

# 3 Data Input: General

In this section we describe the data necessary for the Ecological Network Analysis and show how to build the central network data object in R that contains the model data for subsequent analysis.

Table 1: Primary Ecological Network Analysis algorithms in enaR.

Analysis	Function Name	School
Structure	enaStructure	foundational, Patten
Flow	enaFlow	foundational, Patten
Ascendency	enaAscendency	Ulanowicz
Storage	enaStorage	Patten
Utility	enaUtility	Patten
Mixed Trophic Impacts	enaMTI	Ulanowicz
Control	enaControl	Patten
Environ	enaEnviron	Patten

To start, we assume you have installed the enaR package, and then loaded the library as follows:

#### > library(enaR)

#### 3.1 Model Data

ENA is applied to a network model of energy-matter exchanges among system components. The system is modeled as a set of n compartments or nodes that represent species, species-complexes (i.e., trophic guilds or functional groups), or non-living components of the system in which energy matter is stored. Nodes are connected by L observed fluxes, termed directed edges or links. This analysis requires an estimate of the energy-matter flowing from node i to j over a given period,  $\mathbf{F}_{n\times n}=[f_{ij}],\ i,j=1,2,\ldots,n.$  These fluxes can be generated by any process such as feeding (like a food web), excretion, and death. As ecosystems are thermodynamically open, there must also be energy-matter inputs into the system  $\mathbf{z}_{1\times n}=[z_i]$ , and output losses from the system  $\mathbf{y}_{1\times n}=[y_i]$ . While the Patten School treats all outputs the same, the Ulanowicz School typically partitions outputs into respiration  $\mathbf{r}_{1\times n}=[r_i]$  and export  $\mathbf{e}_{1\times n}=[e_i]$  to account for differences in energetic quality. Note that  $y_i = r_i + e_i, \forall i$ . Some analyses also require the amount of energymatter stored in each node (e.g., biomass),  $\mathbf{X}_{1\times n}=[x_i]$ . The final required information is a categorization of each node as living or not, which is essential for algorithms from the Ulanowicz School. For our implementation, we have created a logical vector  $\mathbf{Living}_{1 \times n}$  that indicates whether the  $i^{th}$  node is living (TRUE) or not (FALSE). Together, the model data  $\mathcal{M}$  can be summarized as  $\mathcal{M} = \{\mathbf{F}, \mathbf{z}, \mathbf{e}, \mathbf{r}, \mathbf{X}, \mathbf{Living}\}.$ 

Notice the row-to-column orientation of **F**. This is consistent with the Ulanowicz School of network analysis, as well as the orientation commonly used in Social Network Analysis and used in the *statnet* packages. However, this is the opposite orientation typically used in the Patten School of analysis that conceptually builds from a system of differential equations and thus uses the column-to-row orientation common in this area of mathematics. Even though the difference is only a matrix transpose, this single difference may be the source of much confusion in the literature and frustration on the part of users. We have selected to use row-to-column orientation for our primary data structure, as it is the dominant form across network analytics as evidenced by it use in the *statnet* packages. The package algorithms also return the results in the row-to-column orientation by default; however, we have built in functionality with the functions get.orient and set.orient that allows users to return output in the Patten School row-to-column orientation (see Section 6.10 for details).

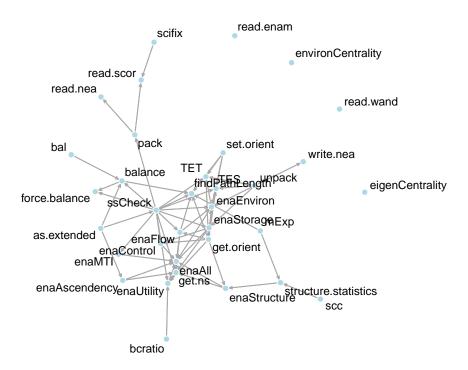


Figure 1: A plot of the *enaR* function relationships. Edges point *from* a function that provides information to the function that receives that information.

### 3.2 Network Data Class

The *enaR* package stores the model data in the **network** class defined in the *network* package (see ?, for details). Again, the primary network object components are:

- F = flow matrix oriented row-to-column
- $\bullet$  z = inputs
- $\bullet$  r = respiration
- $\bullet$  e = exports
- y = respiration + exports
- X = biomass or storage values
- Living = logical vector indicating if the node is living (TRUE) or non-living (FALSE)

## 3.3 Building a Network Object

Users can assemble the necessary data elements described in Section 3.1 and then use the pack function to create the network data object. Here is an example of doing this with hypothetical data.

```
> # name the nodes
> rownames(flow.mat) <- colnames(flow.mat) <- paste('node',(1:nrow(flow.mat)),sep=")
> # generate the inputs
> inputs <- runif(nrow(flow.mat),0,4)</pre>
> # generate the exports
> exports <- inputs
> # pack
> fake.model <- pack(flow=flow.mat,</pre>
                      input=inputs,
                      export=exports,
+
+
                      living=TRUE)
[1] "respiration" "storage"
> # model
> fake.model
 Network attributes:
  vertices = 4
  directed = TRUE
 hyper = FALSE
 loops = FALSE
 multiple = FALSE
 bipartite = FALSE
 flow:
    node1
                                      node3
                                                       node4
                      node2
 Min.
       :0.0000 Min.
                         :0.000
                                  Min.
                                         :0.000
                                                   Min.
                                                          :0.0000
 1st Qu.:0.0000 1st Qu.:0.000
                                  1st Qu.:0.000
                                                   1st Qu.:0.0000
Median :0.0609 Median :0.000
                                  Median :0.000
                                                   Median :0.8454
      :0.6894
                  Mean :1.023
                                         :1.272
 Mean
                                  Mean
                                                   Mean
                                                          :2.6157
 3rd Qu.:0.7503
                  3rd Qu.:1.023
                                  3rd Qu.:1.272
                                                   3rd Qu.:3.4611
                                  Max.
 Max.
        :2.6357
                  Max.
                        :4.092
                                         :5.088
                                                          :8.7722
                                                   Max.
 balanced = FALSE
 total edges= 6
    missing edges= 0
   non-missing edges= 6
Vertex attribute names:
    export input living output respiration storage vertex.names
 Edge attribute names:
    flow
  Unfortunately, the attributes() function does not clearly identify the network data objects we
are using.
> attributes(fake.model)
$names
[1] "mel" "gal" "val" "iel" "oel"
```

#### \$class

#### [1] "network"

However, individual components can be extracted from the data object using the form specified in the *network* package. For example, we can pull out node of vertex attributes as follows:

- > fake.model%v%'output'
- [1] NA NA NA NA
- > fake.model%v%'input'
- [1] 1.99359295 0.44746705 0.02983371 2.82169113
- > fake.model%v%'living'
- [1] TRUE TRUE TRUE TRUE

For convenience, we have defined the flow matrix as a network based characteristic and it can be extracted as:

### > fake.model%n%'flow'

```
node1node2node3node4node10.0000000.000000.000000.00000node20.12180880.0000005.087611.690729node32.63573560.0000000.000008.772188node40.0000004.0920810.000000.000000
```

There are times that it is useful to extract all of the ecosystem model data elements from the network data object. This can be accomplished using the unpack function. The unpack output is as follows:

## > unpack(fake.model)

\$F

```
        node1
        node2
        node3
        node4

        node1
        0.000000
        0.00000
        0.00000
        0.00000

        node2
        0.1218088
        0.000000
        5.08761
        1.690729

        node3
        2.6357356
        0.000000
        0.00000
        8.772188

        node4
        0.000000
        4.092081
        0.00000
        0.000000
```

\$z

[1] 1.99359295 0.44746705 0.02983371 2.82169113

\$r

[1] 0 0 0 0

\$e

```
[1] 1.99359295 0.44746705 0.02983371 2.82169113

$y

[1] NA NA NA NA

$X

[1] NA NA NA NA

$Living

[1] TRUE TRUE TRUE TRUE
```

Note that we did not specify the storage values. In these instances pack produces NA values. Although the package is designed to help users navigate missing data issues be sure to check that you are providing the appropriate input for a given function. For more information, see the help file for the function in question.

## 3.4 Balancing for Steady-State

Many of the ENA functions assume that the network model is at steady-state (node inputs equal node outputs). Thus, this package has functions for (1) checking to see if the assumption is met and (2) automatically balancing the model so that input equal outputs.

To determine if the model is balanced and then balance it if necessary:

```
> ## --- Check to see if the model is balanced ---#
> ssCheck(fake.model)

[1] FALSE
> ## --- To BALANCE a model if needed --- #
> fake.model <- balance(fake.model,method="AVG2")

[1] AVG2
> ## --- To FORCE BALANCE a model if needed --- #
> fake.model <- force.balance(fake.model)</pre>
```

The automated balancing routines are based on those presented in ?. These authors compare alternative balancing algorithms and further discuss the implications of using automated procedures. Caution is warranted when using these techniques, as they indiscriminately alter the model flow rates.

# 4 Data Input: Reading Common Data File Formats

Several software packages exist in the literature for running ENA. For convenience, we have written functions to read in a few of the more common data formats used by these software.

### SCOR.

The read.scor function reads in data stored in the SCOR format specified by? that is the input to the NETWRK4 programs. This function can be run as follows.

```
> scor.model <- readLines('http://people.uncw.edu/borretts/data/oyster.dat')
> m <- read.scor(scor.model,from.file=FALSE)</pre>
```

This constructs the network data object from the SCOR file that stores the ecosystem model data for an oyster reef model (?). The individual model elements are

## > unpack(m)

\$F

	Filter Feeders	Microbiota	Meiofauna	Deposit Feeders
Filter Feeders	0	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000
Microbiota	0	0.0000	1.2060	1.2060
Meiofauna	0	0.0000	0.0000	0.6609
Deposit Feeders	0	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000
Predators	0	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000
Deposited Detritus	0	8.1721	7.2745	0.6431

	Predators	Deposited	Detritus
Filter Feeders	0.5135		15.7910
Microbiota	0.0000		0.0000
Meiofauna	0.0000		4.2403
Deposit Feeders	0.1721		1.9076
Predators	0.0000		0.3262
Deposited Detritus	0.0000		0.0000

\$z

[1] 41.47 0.00 0.00 0.00 0.00 0.00

\$r

[1] 25.1650 5.7600 3.5794 0.4303 0.3594 6.1759

\$e

[1] 0 0 0 0 0 0

\$y

[1] 25.1650 5.7600 3.5794 0.4303 0.3594 6.1759

\$X

[1] 2000.0000 2.4121 24.1210 16.2740 69.2370 1000.0000

\$Living

[1] TRUE TRUE TRUE TRUE TRUE FALSE

This same data is stored as a network data object that is distributed with this package, which can be accessed as:

> data(oyster)

> m <- oyster

#### WAND

In part to make ENA more accessible to biologists, ? recoded some of Ulanowicz's NETWRK4 algorithms into a Microsoft Excel based tool called WAND. For this tool, the model data is stored as a separate Excel file with two worksheets. The first contains many of the node attributes and the second contains the flow matrix. The read.wand function will create an R network data object from a WAND model file. An example WAND file can be found at http://people.uncw.edu/borretts/data/MDmar02\_WAND.xls.

> m <- read.wand('./MDmar02\_WAND.xls')</pre>

This code creates a network data object for *enaR* from the WAND formatted Mdloti ecosystem model data (?). This data is courtesy of U.M. Scharler.

## **ENAM**

Another commonly used data format stores the necessary model data in a csv or Excel formatted file. We include an example Excel file of the Mdloti estuary stored in this form ("MDMAR02.xlsx", courtesy of U. M. Scharler). This format has not been described technically in the literature nor has it been named. We refer to it as ENAM as it is the ENA model data stored primarily as a square matrix with several preliminary rows that include meta-data, the number of nodes, and number of living nodes (similar to SCOR). The data format is generally similar in concept, if not exact form, to the data system matrix used as the input to the NEA.m function (?). However, the ENAM format includes information on whether nodes are living and partitions output into respiration and exports.

Using an example data file, http://people.uncw.edu/borretts/data/MDMARO2.xlsx, this data format can be read into the *enaR* package as:

> m <- read.enam('./MDMAR02.xlsx')</pre>

The current read enam function assumes the data are stored on the first worksheet of an Excel file. In the future, we expect to expand this function's capabilities to read the data from a CSV file.

#### **NEA**

For their Matlab function to perform network environ analysis (Patten School), ? packaged the model flows, inputs, outputs, and storage values into what they called a system matrix

$$\mathbf{S} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{F} & \vec{z} & \vec{X} \\ \vec{y} & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}_{(n+1)\times(n+2)}.$$
 (1)

Flows in the system matrix are oriented from column to row.

The enaR function read.nea reads in data with this format stored as a comma separated value file. The function write.nea() will write any network model to a CSV file with this format.

While convenient, this data format does not enable inclusion of the full range of model information included in the enaR network data object. This format does not partition outputs into

exports and respiration values, nor does it identify the node labels are their living status. This missing information will prevent the use of some enaR functions.

Here is an example of using these functions:

```
> data(oyster)
> # write oyster reef model to a csv file
> write.nea(oyster, file.name="oyster.csv")
> # read in oyster reef model data from NEA.m formatted CSV file
> m <- read.nea("oyster.csv")
>
> # Again, this model object does NOT contain all
> # of the information in the "oyster" data object.
```

## 5 Network Visualization

The *enaR* package uses the *network* package plot tools. Here is one example of how to plot a network model. The figure scaling may need to be adjusted depending on computer and devices. Also note that the graph only shows internal system flows.

Figure 2 (left) is a very simple example of to plot a graph of the oyster reef model accomplished with default settings.

```
> data(oyster) # load data
> m <- oyster
> set.seed(2) # set random seed to control plot
> plot(m) # plot network data object (uses plot.network)
```

We can use the excellent graphics capabilities of R to make fancier plot of the same data (Fig. 2(right)).

```
> # set colors to use
> my.col=c("red", "yellow",
     rgb(204,204,153,maxColorValue=255),
     "grey22")
> F=m%n%'flow'
                                 # extract flow information for later use.
> f=which(F!=0, arr.ind=T)
                                 # get indices of positive flows
> opar <- par(las=1,bg=my.col[4],xpd=TRUE,mai=c(1.02, 0.62, 0.82, 0.42))
> set.seed(2)
                                  # each time the plot is called, the
                                  # layout orientation changes. setting
>
                                  # the seed ensures a consistent
                                  # orientation each time the plot
>
                                  # function is called.
>
> plot(m,
        vertex.cex=log(m%v%'storage'), # scale nodes with storage
        label= m%v%'vertex.names',
                                     # add node labels
        boxed.labels=FALSE,
        label.cex=0.65.
        vertex.sides=45,
                           # to make rounded
        edge.lwd=log10(abs(F[f])),
                                        # scale arrows to flow magnitude
```

Figure 2: Simple (left) and fancy (right) plot of the Oyster network model (Dame and Patter 1981).

```
+ edge.col=my.col[3],
+ vertex.col=my.col[1],
+ label.col="white",
+ vertex.border = my.col[3],
+ vertex.lty = 1,
+ xlim=c(-4,1),ylim=c(-2,-2))
> rm(opar) # remove changes to the plotting parameters
```

## 6 Single Model Analysis

In practice, ENA is applied to a single model. Here, we walk through an example of applying multiple ENA algorithms to the oyster reef model (?). The main ENA algorithms encoded in *enaR* are summarized in Table 1.

Again, in this package results are reported in the row-to-column orientation by default – including the algorithms from the Patten school. Please see Section 6.10 for how to change this default if needed.

## 6.1 Structural Network Analysis

Structural network analysis is common to many types of network analysis. The structural analyses applied here are based on those presented in NEA.m (?) following the Patten School. Output of the enaStructure function is summarized in Table 2

Table 2: Resultant matrices and network statistics returned by the enaStructure function in enaR.

Label	Description
Matrices	
A	$n \times n$ adjacency matrix
$Network \ st$	atistics
$\mathbf{n}$	number of nodes
L	number of directed edges
$^{\mathrm{C}}$	connectance $(C = L/n^2)$ ; the proportion of possible directed edges connected.
LD	Link Density $(L/n)$
ppr	estimated rate of pathway proliferation (?)
lam1A	dominant eigenvalue of A $(lambda_1(\mathbf{A}))$ , which is the
	asymptotic rate of pathway proliferation (?)
mlam1A	multiplicity of the dominant eigenvalue (number of times repeated)
$_{ m rho}$	damping ratio, an indicator of how quickly $[a_{ij}]^{(m)}/[a_{ij}]^{(m-1)}$ goes to $lam_1(\mathbf{A})$ (?, , p. 95)
R	distance of $lam_1(\mathbf{A})$ from the bulk of the eigen spectrum (?)
d	difference between dominant eigenvalue and link density (expected value for random graph)
no.scc	number of strongly connected components (SCC)
no.scc.big	number of SCC with more than one node
pscc	fraction of network nodes included in a big SCC

```
> St <- enaStructure(m)
> attributes(St)
$names
[1] "A"
         "ns"
> St$ns
                                                                    R
     n L
                  C LD
                                     lam1A mlam1A
                             ppr
                                                        rho
[1,] 6 12 0.3333333 2 2.147899 2.147899
                                                1 2.147899 0.4655712
            d no.scc no.scc.big
                                       pscc
[1,] 0.147899
                               1 0.8333333
```

The structural network statistics show that the oyster reef model has 6 nodes, a pathway proliferation rate of 2.14, and that the model is comprised of two strongly connected components but that only one has more than one node.

## 6.2 Flow Analysis

Flow analysis or throughflow analysis is one of the core ENA analyses for both the Ulanowicz and Patten Schools (???). The *enaR* implementation enaFlow mostly follows the NEA.m function, with small updates (e.g. calculating the ratio of indirect-to-direct flows ??). Results returned by enaFlow are summarized in Table 3.

Here, we extract the flow statistics and then isolate and remove the output-oriented direct flow intensity matrix G matrix. Recall that ENA is partially derived from Input-Output analysis; the input and output orientations provide different information about the system. We also show the input-oriented integral flow matrix N'.

```
F <- enaFlow(m)
> attributes(F)
$names
[1] "T"
              "GP" "N"
                        "NP" "ns"
> F$ns
                                                                    DFI
                                               FCI
                                                         BFI
     Boundary
                  TST
                                     APL
                          TSTp
[1,]
        41.47 83.5833 125.0533 2.015512 0.1101686 0.4961517 0.1950689
           IFI
                   ID.F
                          ID.F.I
                                    ID.F.O
                                              HMG.I
                                                       HMG.O AMP.I AMP.O
[1,] 0.3087794 1.582925 1.716607 1.534181 2.051826 1.891638
     mode0.F mode1.F mode2.F mode3.F mode4.F
       41.47 32.90504 9.208256 32.90504
> G <- F$G # output-oriented direct flow matrix
> rm(G)
> F$NP
           # input-oriented integral flow matrix
                   Filter Feeders Microbiota Meiofauna Deposit Feeders
Filter Feeders
                                    1.0000000 1.0000000
                                                               1.000000
                                   1.1018630 0.2440716
Microbiota
                                                              0.6197856
```

Table 3: Matrices and network statistics returned by the enaFlow function in enaR. enaR label Description

Matrices						
${ m T}$	$n \times 1$ ve	ector of node t	hrough	aflows (M $L^{-2 \text{ or } -3} T^{-1}$ )		
G	output-oriented direct throughflow intensity matrix					
GP	-			aflow intensity matrix		
N	output-	oriented integr	al thro	oughflow intensity matrix		
NP	input-or	iented integra	l throu	ghflow intensity matrix		
$Network\ stati$	stics					
Input		put boundary				
TST		stem Through		V		
TSTp		stem Through				
APL	_	Path Length	` /			
FCI		cling Index (?	,			
BFI				pundary/TST		
DFI		low Intensity,		•		
IFI				Trect/TST (?)		
ID.F		Indirect to D				
ID.F.I	-			ect to direct flow intensity (as	,	
IF.F.O				rect to direct flow intensity (a		
HMG.F.I	-			ogenization to direct flow inter	*	
HMG.F.O				nogenization to direct flow int	ensity	
AMP.F.I		iented networ				
AMP.F.O	-	oriented netwo	ork am	plincation		
$rac{ m mode 0.F}{ m mode 1.F}$	Bounda	*	Flore			
mode2.F	Cycled 1	First Passage	FIOW			
mode3.F		ive Equivalent	t to me	ndel F		
mode4.F		ive Equivalent				
	1	1				
Meiofauna			0	0.2971032 1.2971032	0.560410	)()
Deposit Fee	ders		0	0.1240688 0.1240688	1.124068	
Predators	delp		0	0.0203426 0.0203426	0.020342	
Deposited De	etritus		0	1.3885039 1.3885039	1.388503	
zopozzodu z	0011040	Predators 1	-	ited Detritus	_,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,	
Filter Feed	ers	1.0000000	•	1.0000000		
Microbiota (		0.1555792		0.1018630		
Meiofauna		0.1406747		0.2971032		
Deposit Fee	ders	0.2821649		0.1240688		
Predators		1.0051064		0.0203426		
Deposited De	etritus			1.3885039		
1						

Note: you can use the attach function to have access to the objects nested within an object. Since some objects may conflict in name, it's best to detach an object once it's not in use.

## > attach(F)

The following object is masked from package:base:

T

	Filter F	Geeders	Microbiota	Meiofauna	Deposit Feeders
Filter Feeders		0	0.0000000	0.0000000	0.00000000
Microbiota		0	0.0000000	0.1475753	0.14757529
Meiofauna		0	0.0000000	0.0000000	0.07793173
Deposit Feeders		0	0.0000000	0.0000000	0.00000000
Predators		0	0.0000000	0.000000	0.00000000
${\tt Deposited\ Detritus}$		0	0.3670363	0.3267221	0.02888377
	Predato	ors Depo	sited Detri	itus	
Filter Feeders	0.012382	245	0.3807	7813	
Microbiota	0.000000	000	0.0000	0000	
Meiofauna	0.000000	000	0.5000	0059	
Deposit Feeders	0.068565	574	0.7600	0000	
Predators	0.000000	000	0.4757	7876	
Deposited Detritus	0.000000	000	0.0000	0000	

#### > detach(F)

Matrix powers – raising a matrix to a power is not a native operation in R. Thus, the *enaR* package includes a function mExp to facilitate this matrix operation commonly used in ENA.

## > mExp(F\$G,2)

	Filter	Feeders	Microbiota	Meiofauna	Deposit Feeders
Filter Feeders		0	0.1397606	0.12440966	0.01099840
Microbiota		0	0.0000000	0.0000000	0.01150080
Meiofauna		0	0.1835203	0.16336297	0.01444205
Deposit Feeders		0	0.2789476	0.24830879	0.02195166
Predators		0	0.1746313	0.15545033	0.01374254
Deposited Detritus		0	0.0000000	0.05416549	0.07962750
	Preda	ators Dep	posited Deta	ritus	
Filter Feeders	0.00000	00000	0.00589	91414	
Microbiota	0.01011	18608	0.18594	15731	
Meiofauna	0.00534	13446	0.05922	28112	
Deposit Feeders	0.00000	00000	0.03262	22730	
Predators	0.00000	00000	0.00000	00000	
Deposited Detritus	0.00198	30437	0.1853	14635	

## 6.3 Ascendency

A key contribution of the Ulanowicz School to ENA is Ascendency concept and the development of several information based indices (??). This analysis is based on all of the flows in the system and does not assume the modeled system is at steady-state. The enaAscendency function returns several of these information based measures (Table 4). This is run as follows:

## > enaAscendency(oyster)

AMI ASC OH CAP ASC.CAP OH.CAP
[1,] 1.330211 166.3473 211.0979 377.4452 0.4407191 0.5592809

Table 4: Graph-level network statistics returned by the *enaR* enaAscendency function (see ??, for interpretations).

Label	Description
AMI	average mutual information (bits)
ASC	ascendency, $AMI \times TSTp$
ОН	overhead
CAP	capacity
ASC.CAP	ascendency-to-capacity ratio (dimensionless)
OH.CAP	overhead-to-capacity ratio (dimensionless)

## 6.4 Storage Analysis

Storage ENA was developed in the Patten School. It is similar to flow ENA, but divides the flows by storage (e.g., biomass) instead of throughflow. See ? and ? for an overview of this method. Output of this function is summarized in Table 5, and this is an example of its implementation.

```
S <- enaStorage(m)
> attributes(S)
$names
                    "S" "Q" "CP" "PP" "SP" "QP" "dt" "ns"
 [1] "X"
> S$ns
          TSS
                    CIS
                                BSI
                                            DSI
                                                       ISI
                                                               ID.S
[1,] 3112.044 0.9940252 0.003331412 0.003320932 0.9933477 299.1171
               ID.S.O HMG.S.O HMG.S.I NAS NASP modeO.S mode1.S
[1.] 454.227 294.1527 1.115985 1.38251
                                        20
                                             21 10.3675 8.226261
     mode2.S mode3.S mode4.S
[1,] 3093.45 8.226261 10.3675
```

## 6.5 Utility Analysis

Utility analysis describes the relationship between node pairs in the ecosystem model when considering both direct and indirect interactions. It developed in the Patten School (??) and is similar to yet distinct from the Ulanowicz School mixed trophic impacts analysis (?). Utility analysis can be conducted from both the flow and storage perspectives, so the "type" argument needs to be set to suit the users needs. This is again implemented as in NEA.m. Table 6 summarizes the function output for the flow and storage versions. These analyses are executed as:

```
> UF <- enaUtility(m,eigen.check=TRUE,type="flow")
> US <- enaUtility(m,eigen.check=TRUE,type="storage")
> attributes(UF)
$names
[1] "D" "U" "Y" "ns"
```

Table 5: Matrices and graph-level network statistics returned by the enaR enaStorage function.

Label	Description
Matrices	
X	$n \times 1$ vector of storage values [M L <sup>-2</sup> ]
$\mathbf{C}$	$n \times n$ donor-storage normalized output-oriented direct flow intensity matrix $(T^{-1})$
P	$n \times n$ storage-normalized output-oriented direct flow matrix (dimensionless)
S	$n \times n$ donor-storage normalized output-oriented integral flow intensity matrix $(T^{-1})$
Q	$n \times n$ output-oriented integral flow intensity matrix (dimensionless)
$\operatorname{CP}$	$n \times n$ recipient-storage normalized input-oriented direct flow intensity matrix $(T^{-1})$
PP	$n \times n$ storage-normalized input-oriented direct flow matrix (dimensionless)
SP	$n \times n$ donor-storage normalized input-oriented integral flow intensity matrix $(T^{-1})$
QP	$n \times n$ input-oriented integral flow intensity matrix (dimensionless)
dt	discrete time step
Network st	atistics
TSS	Total System Storage
CIS	Storage Cycling Index
BSI	Boundary Storage Intensity
DSI	Direct Storage Intensity
ISI	Indirect Storage Intensity
ID.S	Ratio of Indirect-to-Direct storage (realized)
ID.S.I	storage-based input-oriented indirect-to-direct ratio (as in ?)
ID.S.O	storage-based input-oriented indirect-to-direct ratio (as in ?)
HMG.S.I	input-oriented storage network homogenization
HMG.S.O	output-oriented storage network homogenization
AMP.S.I	input-oriented storage network amplification
AMP.S.O	output-oriented storage network amplification
mode0.S	Storage from Boundary Flow
mode1.S	Storage from Internal First Passage Flow
mode 2.S	Storage from Cycled Flow
mode3.S	Dissipative Equivalent to mode1.S
$\underline{\text{mode4.S}}$	Dissipative Equivalent to mode 0.S

Please note the function argument "eigen.check=TRUE". For this analysis to work, the power series of the direct utility matrices must converge, which is only true if the dominant eigenvalue of the direct utility matrix is less than 1. The function default prevents the analysis from being performed if this condition is not met. Users that wish to perform the analysis anyway can set "eigen.check=FALSE". Care should be used when doing this, as the meaning of the underlying mathematics is uncertain.

## 6.6 Environ Analysis

Environ Analysis finds the n unit input and output environs for the model (??). These unit environs are returned by the *environ* function as in NEA.m. They indicate the flow activity in each subnetwork generated by pulling a unit out of a node (input environs) or pushing a unit into a node (output environ). These unit environs can be converted into "realized" environs by multiplying each by the relevant observed input or output (?).

```
> E <- enaEnviron(m)
> attributes(E)
```

Table 6: Matrices and graph-level network statistics returned by the enaR Utility function.

Label	Description
Matrices	
$ D_{n \times n} \\ U_{n \times n} $	throughflow-normalized direct utility intensity (dimensionless) integral flow utility (dimensionless)
$\mathbf{Y}_{n \times n}$	integral flow utility scaled by original throughflow (M $L^{-2 \text{ or } -3} T^{-1}$ )
$DS_{n \times n}$ $US_{n \times n}$	storage-normalized direct utility intensity (dimensionless) integral storage utility (dimensionless)
$YS_{n\times n}$	integral storage utility scaled by original through flow (M $\rm L^{-2~or~-3}~T^{-1})$
Network Stati	stics
lam1D	dominant eigenvalue of D
synergism.F	benefit-cost ratio or network synergism (flow)
mutualism.F	positive to negative interaction ratio or network mutualism (flow)
lam1DS	dominant eigenvalue of DS
synergism.S	benefit-cost ratio or network synergism (storage)
mutualism.S	positive to negative interaction ratio or network mutualism (storage)

## \$names

[1] "input" "output"

> E\$output[1]

## \$`Filter Feeders`

	Filter Feeders	Microbiota	Meiofauna	
Filter Feeders	-1	0.0000000	0.00000000	
Microbiota	0	-0.1970605	0.02908126	
Meiofauna	0	0.0000000	-0.20449723	
Deposit Feeders	0	0.0000000	0.00000000	
Predators	0	0.0000000	0.00000000	
Deposited Detritus	0	0.1970605	0.17541596	
Z	1	0.0000000	0.00000000	
	Deposit Feeders	Predato	rs Deposited	l Detritus
Filter Feeders	0.0000000	0.0123824	45 0.	380781288
Microbiota	0.02908126	0.0000000	00 0.	00000000
Meiofauna	0.01593682	0.0000000	00 0.	102249819
Deposit Feeders	-0.06052568	0.0041499	88 0.	045999518
Predators	0.0000000	-0.0165324	33 0.	007865927
Deposited Detritus	0.01550760	0.0000000	00 -0.	536896552
Z	0.0000000	0.0000000	00 0.	00000000
	У			
Filter Feeders	0.606836267			
Microbiota	0.138897999			
Meiofauna	0.086310586			
Deposit Feeders	0.010376176			
Predators	0.008666506			
Deposited Detritus	0.148912467			
z	0.00000000			

The TET function returns vectors of the unit and realized input and output total environ throughflow. The realized total environ throughflow is an environ based partition of the total system throughflow (TST).

```
> tet <- TET(m)
```

> show(tet)

### \$realized.input

[1] 25.165000 22.647638 14.582798 2.028052 1.053786 18.107007

#### \$realized.output

[1] 83.5833 0.0000 0.0000 0.0000 0.0000 0.0000

## \$unit.input

[1] 1.000000 3.931882 4.074090 4.713111 2.932069 2.931882

#### \$unit.output

[1] 2.015512 1.836089 2.540670 3.124836 2.234317 2.594261

The TES functions returns the both the realized and unit total environ storage for the input and output environs. Again, the realized TES is a partition of the total system storage (TSS).

```
> tes <- TES(m)
```

> show(tes)

### \$realized.input

Filter Feeders	Microbiota	Meiofauna
2000.00000	2.41209	24.12171
Deposit Feeders	Predators	Deposited Detritus
16.27440	69.23803	1000.03118

## \$realized.output

[1] 3112.044 0.000 0.000 0.000 0.000 0.000

#### \$unit.input

Filter Feeders	Microbiota	Meiofauna
289.3658066	0.6561948	7.3735209
Deposit Feeders	Predators	Deposited Detritus
11.5308112	109.7205293	265.1036470

### \$unit.output

Filter Feeders	Microbiota	Meiofauna
75.04326	16.06273	41.03146
Deposit Feeders	Predators	Deposited Detritus
65.81279	132 44451	66.11575

## 6.7 Control Analysis

Control analysis is implemented as in the original NEA.m function. Recent updates to control analysis (e.g., ??) still need to be included.

```
> C <- enaControl(m)
> attributes(C)
$names
[1] "CN" "CQ" "CR" "CD" "sc"
```

## 6.8 Mixed Trophic Impacts

Mixed Trophic Impacts is a popular analysis from the Ulanowicz School of ENA (?). The enaMTI function generates comparable results to the calculations in ?. These are implemented as follows; Table 7 summarizes the function output.

In this case, the power series of the direct trophic impacts matrix does not converge (dominant eigenvalue is greater than one). Thus, the function returns the mti\$M=NA. Like with Utility analysis, however, we can use the eigen-check argument to do the calculation despite the mathematical problem.

```
> mti <- enaMTI(oyster,eigen.check=FALSE)
> attributes(mti)
$names
[1] "G" "FP" "Q" "M"
> mti$M # shows the total impact matrix
```

	Filter Feeders	Microbiota	Meiofauna
Filter Feeders	-0.0250635283	0.16956382	0.431493557
Microbiota	-0.0015848556	-0.30675078 -	-0.182458391
Meiofauna	-0.0001241781	-0.47413204 -	-0.070959618
Deposit Feeders	-0.0069255188	-0.26769125 -	-0.007062628
Predators	-0.0301817448	0.02000515 -	-0.004028911
Deposited Detritus	-0.0034657973	0.21795628	0.612654910
	Deposit Feeders	Predators	Deposited Detritus
Filter Feeders	0.26144106	0.795834137	0.516016759
Microbiota	0.20520368	0.050323410	-0.295378609
Meiofauna	0.01607831	0.003942987	-0.001592286
Deposit Feeders	-0.10329881	0.219903765	0.177109591
Predators	-0.07586335	-0.041648786	-0.019939324
Deposited Detritus	0.44874394	0.110048344	-0.251366300

Table 7: Matricies returned by the enaR enaMII function, which are based on (?).

Label	Description
Matrice	s
$G_{n\times n}$	positive effect of prey on its predator
$F_{n \times n}$	negative impact of the predator on its prey
$Q_{n \times n}$	direct net impact of one node on another
$M_{n \times n}$	total impact of $i$ on $j$ (direct and indirect)

## 6.9 Other Analyses

There are a number of additional tools in the package. Here we highlight a couple of them.

A quick way to get a list of all of the global network statistics reported in Structure, Flow, Ascendency, Storage, and Utility analysis is to use the get.ns function.

```
> ns <- get.ns(m)
> str(ns)
              # examine the structure of ns
'data.frame':
                     1 obs. of 62 variables:
 $ n
               : num 6
 $ L
               : num 12
$ C
               : num 0.333
 $ LD
               : num 2
               : num 2.15
$ ppr
 $ lam1A
               : num 2.15
 $ mlam1A
               : num 1
 $ rho
               : num 2.15
 $ R
               : num 0.466
 $ d
               : num 0.148
 $ no.scc
               : num 2
$ no.scc.big : num 1
 $ pscc
               : num 0.833
 $ Boundary
               : num 41.5
 $ TST
               : num 83.6
 $ TSTp
               : num 125
 $ APL
               : num 2.02
 $ FCI
               : num 0.11
 $ BFI
               : num 0.496
 $ DFI
               : num 0.195
 $ IFI
               : num 0.309
 $ ID.F
               : num 1.58
               : num 1.72
 $ ID.F.I
 $ ID.F.O
               : num 1.53
 $ HMG.I
               : num 2.05
 $ HMG.O
               : num 1.89
 $ AMP.I
               : num 3
$ AMP.O
               : num 1
 $ mode0.F
               : num 41.5
```

```
$ mode1.F
              : num 32.9
$ mode2.F
              : num 9.21
$ mode3.F
              : num 32.9
$ mode4.F
              : num 41.5
$ AMI
              : num 1.33
$ ASC
              : num 166
$ OH
              : num 211
$ CAP
              : num 377
$ ASC.CAP
              : num 0.441
              : num 0.559
$ OH.CAP
$ TSS
              : num 3112
$ CIS
              : num 0.994
$ BSI
              : num 0.00333
$ DSI
              : num 0.00332
$ ISI
              : num 0.993
              : num 299
$ ID.S
$ ID.S.I
              : num 454
$ ID.S.O
              : num 294
$ HMG.S.O
              : num 1.12
$ HMG.S.I
              : num 1.38
              : num 20
$ NAS
$ NASP
              : num 21
$ mode0.S
              : num 10.4
$ mode1.S
              : num 8.23
$ mode2.S
              : num 3093
$ mode3.S
              : num 8.23
$ mode4.S
              : num 10.4
$ lam1D
              : num 0.899
$ synergism.F: num 4.92
$ mutualism.F: num 2.27
$ lam1DS
              : num 0.302
$ synergism.S: num 13.1
$ mutualism.S: num 2.6
```

It is also possible to instantly return all of the main ENA output with enaAll:

```
> oyster.ena <- enaAll(oyster)
> names(oyster.ena)

[1] "ascendency" "control" "environ" "flow" "mti"
[6] "storage" "structure" "utility"
```

Centrality analysis is a large topic in network science. ? introduced an environ based centrality and contrasted it with the more commonly used eigenvector centrality. Both of these centralities can be calculated in enaR as follows:

```
> F <- enaFlow(oyster)
> ec <- environCentrality(F$N)
> show(ec)
```

Figure 3: Bar plot of the Oyster Reef model Average Environ Centralities.

```
$ECin
                           Microbiota
    Filter Feeders
                                                Meiofauna
         0.1404961
                             0.1279889
                                                 0.1771034
   Deposit Feeders
                             Predators Deposited Detritus
         0.2178241
                             0.1557484
                                                 0.1808391
$ECout
    Filter Feeders
                           Microbiota
                                                Meiofauna
        0.06970737
                            0.19108709
                                               0.20595483
   Deposit Feeders
                            Predators Deposited Detritus
        0.12350944
                            0.07903903
                                               0.33070223
$AEC
   Filter Feeders
                           Microbiota
                                                Meiofauna
         0.1051017
                             0.1595380
                                                 0.1915291
   Deposit Feeders
                             Predators Deposited Detritus
         0.1706668
                             0.1173937
                                                 0.2557707
> eigenCentrality(F$G)
$EVCin
[1] 0.1207568 0.1093625 0.1876329 0.2518905 0.1470501 0.1833072
$EVCout
[1] 0.00000000 0.23325048 0.26566843 0.11130122 0.01286707 0.37691280
$AEVC
[1] 0.06037842 0.17130647 0.22665067 0.18159586 0.07995858 0.28011000
   These centrality values have been normalized to sum to one.
   Figure 4 shows one way to visualize the Average Environ Centralities.
> # set plotting parameters
> opar <- par(las=1,mar=c(7,5,1,1),xpd=TRUE,bg="white")
> # find centrality order
> o <- order(ec$AEC,decreasing=TRUE)</pre>
> bp <- barplot(ec$AEC[o],</pre>
                                # create barplot
+
                 names.arg=NA,
+
                 ylab="Average Environ Centrality",
                 col="black",border=NA)
                                  # add labels
> text(bp,-0.008,
        labels=names(ec$AEC)[o],
        srt=35,adj=1,cex=1)
> rm(opar) # remove the plotting parameters
```

## 6.10 Output Orientation

To facilitate package use by the existing ENA community, some of which use the column-to-row orientation (e.g. the Patten School), we have created orientation functions that enable the user to set the expected output orientation for functions written in a particular "school" of analysis. Thus, functions from either school will receive network models with the standard row-to-column, but will return output with flow matrices oriented in the column-to-row orientation when appropriate (i.e. Patten school functions) and return them in that same orientation.

Here is an example of how to use the model orientation functions to re-orient the output from enaFlow:

```
> ###Check the current orientation
> get.orient()
[1] "rc"
> ###enaFlow output in row-column
> flow.rc <- enaFlow(oyster)$G
> ###Set the global orientation to school
> set.orient('school')
> ###Check that it worked
> get.orient()
[1] "school"
> ###enaFlow output in column-row
> flow.cr <- enaFlow(oyster)$G</pre>
> ###Check. Outputs should be transposed from each other.
> all(flow.rc == flow.cr)
[1] FALSE
> all(flow.rc == t(flow.cr))
[1] TRUE
> ###Now change back to the default orientation ('rc')
> set.orient('rc')
```

# 7 Model Library

The enaR package includes a library of 100 empirically based ecosystem models. There are two general classes of ecosystem models. First, there are 58 of the models are trophically-based models with food webs at their core (Tables 8). Second, there are 42 models are focused on biogeochemical cycling in ecosystems (Table 9). ?, ?, and ? have previously suggested this model class distinction. In summary, these models were originally published for a number of different types of ecosystems, though predominantly aquatic, by a number of author teams. Models in the library range in size from 4 nodes to 125 nodes with connectance values ranging from 7% to 45%.

This collection of models overlaps with other data sets. For example, twenty-seven of the models (47%) are included in the set of models compiled and distributed by Dr. Ulanowicz

(http://www.cbl.umces.edu/ulan/ntwk/network.html). All 50 of the models analyzed by ? and ? and the 45 models analyzed in ? are included in this model library.

The trophic models are grouped as the troModels object and the biogeochemically-based models are available as the bgcModels object. Both data objects return a list of the model network objects. To use these models simply use the R base data function. This will load the models into the working memory as a named list of network objects:

```
> ### Import the model sets
> data(bgcModels)
> data(troModels)
> ### Check the first few model names
> head(names(bgcModels))
[1] "Hubbard Brook (Ca)(Waide)"
                                     "Hardwood Forest, NH (Ca)"
[3] "Duglas Fir Forest, WA (Ca)"
                                     "Duglas Fir Forest, WA (K)"
[5] "Puerto Rican Rain Forest (Ca)" "Puerto Rican Rain Forest (K)"
> head(names(troModels))
[1] "Marine Coprophagy (oyster)" "Lake Findley "
[3] "Mirror Lake"
                                  "Lake Wingra"
[5] "Marion Lake"
                                  "Cone Springs"
> ### Isolate a single model
> x <- troModels[[1]]
> x <- troModels$"Marine Coprophagy (oyster)"
> ### Check out the model
> summary(x)
Network attributes:
  vertices = 4
  directed = TRUE
 hyper = FALSE
 loops = FALSE
 multiple = FALSE
 bipartite = FALSE
  flow:
     SHRIMP
             BENTHIC ORGANISMS SHRIMP FECES & BACTERIA
 Min.
        :0
             Min.
                    : 0.00
                                Min.
                                       : 0.000
 1st Qu.:0
             1st Qu.: 0.00
                                1st Qu.: 0.000
 Median:0
             Median : 7.65
                               Median : 0.000
 Mean
        :0
             Mean
                    :17.05
                                Mean
                                     : 5.475
             3rd Qu.:24.70
                                3rd Qu.: 5.475
 3rd Qu.:0
                    :52.90
                                       :21.900
 Max.
        :0
             Max.
                                Max.
 BENTHIC FECES & BACTERIA
 Min.
        : 0.0
 1st Qu.: 0.0
Median: 0.0
      :19.9
 Mean
```

3rd Qu.:19.9 Max. :79.6 balanced = TRUE total edges = 4 missing edges = 0non-missing edges = 4 density = 0.3333333Vertex attributes: export: logical valued attribute attribute summary: Mode NA's logical input: numeric valued attribute attribute summary: Min. 1st Qu. Median Mean 3rd Qu. Max. 0.00 62.05 94.90 157.00 255.50 0.00 living: logical valued attribute attribute summary: Mode FALSE TRUE NA's 2 2 logical 0 output: numeric valued attribute attribute summary: Min. 1st Qu. Median Mean 3rd Qu. Max. 6.60 21.67 64.45 94.90 137.70 244.10 respiration: numeric valued attribute attribute summary: Min. 1st Qu. Median Mean 3rd Qu. 6.60 21.67 64.45 94.90 137.70 244.10 storage: numeric valued attribute attribute summary: Min. 1st Qu. Median Mean 3rd Qu. Max. 1 1 1 vertex.names: character valued attribute 4 valid vertex names

### Edge attributes:

```
flow:
   numeric valued attribute
   attribute summary:
   Min. 1st Qu. Median
                            Mean 3rd Qu.
      0
              0
Network adjacency matrix:
                          SHRIMP BENTHIC ORGANISMS
SHRIMP
                               0
                               0
BENTHIC ORGANISMS
SHRIMP FECES & BACTERIA
                               0
BENTHIC FECES & BACTERIA
                               0
```

	SHRIMP	FECES 8	<b>%</b>	BACTERIA
SHRIMP				1
BENTHIC ORGANISMS				0
SHRIMP FECES & BACTERIA				0
BENTHIC FECES & BACTERIA				0
	BENTHIC	C FECES	&	BACTERIA

SHRIMP BENTHIC ORGANISMS 1 SHRIMP FECES & BACTERIA

0 BENTHIC FECES & BACTERIA 0

#### 8 Multi-Model Analyses (Batch Processing)

While many investigators analyze single models, much of ENA is used to compare ecosystem models (e.g., ????). Investigators have also analyzed large set of models to determine the generality of hypothesized ecosystem properties (e.g., ???). For both of these applications, investigators need to analyze multiple models. One advantage of the enaR R package is that it simplifies this batch processing. Here we illustrate how to batch analyze a selection of models.

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Our first step is to read in the model data for a set of trophic models:

#### > data(troModels)

[1] BALANCED

Now that we have the raw data loaded, we can start to manipulate it. The first step is to balance the models and then we can run the flow analysis. We are using the lapply function to apply the analysis across the list of models stored in model.list.

```
> # balance models as necessary
> m.list <- lapply(troModels[1:10],balance)</pre>
[1] BALANCED
[1] BALANCED
```

```
[1] BALANCED
```

- [1] BALANCED
- > # check that models are balanced
- > unlist(lapply(m.list,ssCheck))

Marine Coprophagy (oyster)	Lake Findley
TRUE	TRUE
Mirror Lake	Lake Wingra
TRUE	TRUE
Marion Lake	Cone Springs
TRUE	TRUE
Silver Springs	English Channel
TRUE	TRUE
Oyster Reef	Baie de Somme
TRUE	TRUE

- > # if balancing fails, you can use force.balance
- > # to repeatedly apply the balancing procedure
- > # although this is not the case with our model set .
- > m.list <- lapply(m.list,force.balance)</pre>
- > ##Check that all the models are balanced
- > all(unlist(lapply(m.list,ssCheck)))

### [1] TRUE

- > # Example Flow Analysis
- > F.list <- lapply(m.list, enaFlow)</pre>
- > # the full results of the flow analysis is now stored in the elements
- > # of the F.list. To get the results for just the first model...
- > F.list[[1]]

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SHRIMP BENTHIC ORGANISMS 124.1 323.7 SHRIMP FECES & BACTERIA BENTHIC FECES & BACTERIA 21.9 79.6

\$G

	SHRIMP	BENTHIC	ORGANISMS
SHRIMP	0		0.000000
BENTHIC ORGANISMS	0		0.000000
SHRIMP FECES & BACTERIA	0		0.6986301

BENTHIC FECES & BACTERIA	0 0.6645729 SHRIMP FECES & BACTERIA
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We can use the same technique to extract specific information, like just the ratio of Indirect-to-Direct flow for each model.

```
> # Example of extracting just specific information - Indirect Effects Ratio
> IDs <- unlist(lapply(m.list, function(x) enaFlow(x)$ns[8]))
> #Look at the first few ID's
> head(IDs)
```

Marine Coprophagy (oyster)	Lake Findley
0.1546893	0.3669420
Mirror Lake	Lake Wingra
0.4334588	0.4452123
Marion Lake	Cone Springs
0.4391692	0.3105362

We can also collect the set of output-oriented integral flow matrices.

> # Here is a list containing only the output-oriented integral flow matrices > N.list <- lapply(m.list,function(x) enaFlow(x)\$N)

We can also apply the get.ns function to extract all of the network statistics for each model. We then use the do.call function to reshape the network statistics into a single data frame.

```
> # Collecting and combining all network statistics
> ns.list <- lapply(m.list,get.ns) # returns as list</pre>
```

```
> ns <- do.call(rbind,ns.list) # ns as a data.frame
> # Let's take a quick look at some of the output
> colnames(ns)
                  # return network statistic names.
 [1] "n"
                    "L"
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 [5] "ppr"
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[29] "mode0.F"
                    "mode1.F"
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[33] "mode4.F"
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[37] "CAP"
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[49] "HMG.S.I"
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[53] "mode1.S"
                    "mode2.S"
                                  "mode3.S"
                                                 "mode4.S"
[57] "lam1D"
                    "synergism.F" "mutualism.F" "lam1DS"
[61] "synergism.S" "mutualism.S"
> dim(ns)
                   # show dimensions of ns matrix
[1] 10 62
> ns[1:5,1:5]
                  # show selected results
                            n L
                                     C LD
Marine Coprophagy (oyster) 4 4 0.250 1.0 1.000000
Lake Findley
                            4 6 0.375 1.5 1.004975
Mirror Lake
                            5 9 0.360 1.8 1.324718
                            5 10 0.400 2.0 2.000000
Lake Wingra
                            5 9 0.360 1.8 1.324718
Marion Lake
```

Given this data frame of network statistics, we can construct interesting plots for further analysis. Here we focus on results of the St. Marks Seagrass ecosystem (?).

```
> opar <- par(las=1,mar=c(9,7,2,1),xpd=TRUE,mfrow=c(1,2),oma=c(1,1,0,0))
> x=dim(ns)[1] # number of models
> m.select <- 40:45
> bp=barplot(ns$ID.F[m.select],ylab="Indirect-to-Direct Flow Ratio (I/D, Realized)",
+ col="darkgreen",border=NA,ylim=c(0,2))
> text(bp,-0.05, # add labels
+ labels=rownames(ns)[m.select],
+ srt=45,adj=1,cex=0.85)
> opar <- par(xpd=FALSE)
> abline(h=1,col="orange",lwd=2)
> #
> plot(ns$FCI,ns$ID.F,pch=20,col="blue",cex=2,
```

Figure 4: Ratio of Indirect-to-Direct Flow for six ecosystem models (left) and relationship between the Finn Cycling Index and the ratio of Indirect-to-Direct flow in the 56 trophic models.

```
+ ylab="Indirect-to-Direct Flow Ratio (I/D, Realized)",
+ xlab="Finn Cycling Index (FCI)",
+ xlim=c(0,0.8),ylim=c(0,8))
> #
> rm(opar) # remove the plotting parameters
```

## 9 Connecting to Other Useful Packages

Another advantage of building the enaR package in R is that it lets ecologists take advantage of other types of network analysis and statistical tools that already exist in R. We highlight two examples here.

## 9.1 sna: Social Network Analysis

The *sna* package for Social Network Analysis is bundled in the *statnet* package and uses the same network data object defined in *network* that we selected to use for *enaR*. Thus, the design decision to use the network data object gives users direct access to *sna* tools.

Multiple measures of network centrality have been proposed, and the *sna* package provides a way of calculating several. Thus, ecologists can now use the sna algorithms to determine different types of centrality for their models.

```
> betweenness(oyster)
[1] 0.0 0.0 0.5 3.5 0.0 9.0
> closeness(oyster)
[1] 0.625 0.000 0.000 0.000 0.000 0.000
```

The *sna* package introduced new graphical capabilities as well. For example, it will create a target diagram of centralities.

Figure 5: Target plot of node betweenness centrality for the Chesapeake Bay model (mesohaline, carbon, annual).

Figure 6: Plot of Oyster reef model using *iGraph* 

In addition to the node-level measures, *sna* includes graph-level indices. > centralization(oyster, degree)

[1] 0.45

> centralization(oyster, closeness)

[1] 0.75

> centralization(oyster, betweenness)

[1] 0.41

## 9.2 iGraph

The iGraph package can also be useful for analyzing network data. Here are a few examples of using the package. Note that some functions in iGraph conflict with other functions already defined, so care is required when using iGraph.

- ■e,eval=true■=
- > library(igraph)
- > ### The adjacency matrix
- > A <- St\$A
- > ### creating an iGraph graph
- > g <- graph.adjacency(A)</pre>
- > plot(g) # uses iGraph plot tools

*iGraph* has a different set of visualization tools and generates a different looking graph (Fig. 6).

- > # betweenness centrality (calculated by iGraph and sna)
- > betweenness(g)

Filter Feeders	Microbiota	Meiofauna
0.0	0.0	0.5
Deposit Feeders	Predators	Deposited Detritus
3.5	0.0	9.0

- > # shortest path between any two nodes
- > shortest.paths(g)

	Filter Feeders	Microbiota	Meiofauna	Deposit Feeder:	3
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Microbiota	2	0	1	:	1
Meiofauna	2	1	0	:	1
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Microbiota
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Meiofauna
                           2
                                               1
Deposit Feeders
                           1
                                               1
Predators
                           0
                                               1
Deposited Detritus
                           1
                                               0
> # average path length in the network (graph theory sense)
> average.path.length(g,directed=TRUE)
[1] 1.52
> diameter(g) # diameter of the graph
[1] 2
> vertex.connectivity(g) # connectivity of a graph (group cohesion)
Γ1] 0
> subcomponent(g,1,'in') # subcomponent reachable from 1 along inputs
[1] 1
> subcomponent(g,2,'in') # subcomponent reachable from 2 along inputs
[1] 2 6 1 3 4 5
> subcomponent(g,1,'out') # subcomponent reachable from 1 along outputs
[1] 1 5 6 2 3 4
> subcomponent(g,2,'out') # subcomponent reachable from 2 along output
[1] 2 3 4 6 5
> edge.connectivity(g)
[1] 0
> detach(package:igraph) # detach igraph package
```

There are other R packages that have graph and network analysis tools, like Bioconductor, that might also be useful for ecologists

## 10 Summary and Future

This vignette shows how to use several of the key features of the enaR package that enables scientists to perform Ecological Network Analysis in R. The vision for this package is that it will provide access to ENA algorithms from both the Ulanowicz and Patten Schools. In its current form it replicates, updates, and extends the functionality of the NEA.m function (?). It also includes both ascendency calculations and mixed trophic impacts from the Ulanowicz school of ENA, but there remains many possibilities for future development. We hope to do this in collaboration with users. This vignette also illustrates how users can further analyze their data with other R packages for graph and network analysis like sna and iGraph. In summary, we hope you find this package useful for your ENA needs.

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Table 8: Trophic ecosystem networks (58) included in the enaR model library.

Models	Units	$n^{\dagger}$	$C^{\dagger}$	$Input^{\dagger}$	$TST^{\dagger}$	$FCI^{\dagger}$	Reference
Marine Coprophagy (oyster)	kcal m <sup>-2</sup> yr <sup>-1</sup>	4	0.25	379	549	0.12	?
Lake Findley	${\rm gC}~{\rm m}^{-2}~{\rm yr}^{-1}$	4	0.38	21	50	0.30	?
Mirror Lake	$^{9}C m^{-2} vr^{-1}$	5	0.36	72	217	0.32	?
Lake Wingra	gC m <sup>-2</sup> yr <sup>-1</sup> gC m <sup>-2</sup> yr <sup>-1</sup>	5	0.40	478	1517	0.40	?
Marion Lake	$^{\circ}_{gC m^{-2} vr^{-1}}$	5	0.36	87	242	0.31	?
Cone Springs	$k_{\rm cal} m^{-2} vr^{-1}$	5	0.32	11819	30626	0.09	?
Silver Springs	kcal m <sup>-2</sup> yr <sup>-1</sup>	5	0.28	21296	29175	0.00	?
English Channel	$kcal m^{-2} vr^{-1}$	6	0.25	1096	2280	0.00	?
Oyster Reef	$kcal m^{-2} yr^{-1}$	6	0.33	41	83	0.11	?
Baie de Somme	$mgC m^{-2} d^{-1}$	9	0.30	876	2034	0.14	?
Bothnian Bay	$gC m^{-2} yr^{-1}$	12	0.22	44	183	0.23	?
Bothnian Sea	$^{\rm gC} \ {\rm m}^{-2} \ {\rm vr}^{-1}$	12	0.24	117	562	0.31	?
Ythan Estuary	$^{9}C \text{ m}^{-2} \text{ vr}^{-1}$	13	0.23	1258	4181	0.24	?
Sundarban Mangrove (virgin)	$kcal m^{-2} vr^{-1}$	14	0.22	111317	440931	0.19	?
Sundarban Mangrove (reclaimed)	$kcal m^{-2} yr^{-1}$	14	0.22	38484	103056	0.05	?
Baltic Sea	${\rm mg} \ {\rm C} \ {\rm m}^{-2} \ {\rm d}^{-1}$	15	0.17	603	1973	0.13	?
Ems Estuary	$mg \ C \ m^{-2} \ d^{-1}$	15	0.19	282	1067	0.32	?
Swartkops Estuary 15	$mg \ C \ m^{-2} \ d^{-1}$	15	0.17	3544	13996	0.47	?
Southern Benguela Upwelling	mg C m <sup>-2</sup> d <sup>-1</sup>	16	0.23	714	2545	0.41	?
Peruvian Upwelling	$mg \ C \ m^{-2} \ d^{-1}$	16	0.22	14927	33491	0.04	?
Crystal River (control)	$mg C m^{-2} d^{-1}$	21	0.19	7357	15062	0.07	?
Crystal River (thermal)	$mg C m^{-2} d^{-1}$	21	0.14	6018	12032	0.09	?
Charca de Maspalomas Lagoon	$mg C m^{-2} d^{-1}$	21	0.12	1486230	6010331	0.18	?
Northern Benguela Upwelling	$mg \ C \ m^{-2} \ d^{-1}$	24	0.12	2282	6611	0.05	?
Swartkops Estuary	$mg \ C \ m^{-2} \ d^{-1}$	25	0.17	2859	8949	0.27	?
Sunday Estuary	$mg \ C \ m^{-2} \ d^{-1}$	25	0.16	4440	11937	0.22	?
Kromme Estuary	$mg C m^{-2} d^{-1}$	25	0.16	2571	11087	0.38	?
Okefenokee Swamp	$g dw m^{-2} y^{-1}$	26	0.10	2533	12855	0.38	?
Neuse Estuary (early summer 1997)	mg C m <sup>-2</sup> d <sup>-1</sup>	30	0.20	4385	13827	0.48	?
Neuse Estuary (late summer 1997)	$mg$ C m $^{-2}$ d $^{-1}$	30	0.03	4639	13035	0.12	?
Neuse Estuary (early summer 1998)	$mg$ C m $^{-2}$ d $^{-1}$	30	0.11	4568	14025	0.13	?
Neuse Estuary (late summer 1998)	$mg \ C \ m^{-2} \ d^{-1}$	30	0.10	5641	15031	0.12	?
Gulf of Maine	$g \text{ ww m}^{-2} \text{ yr}^{-1}$	31	0.10	5053	18381	0.11	?
	g ww m yr g ww m <sup>-2</sup> yr <sup>-1</sup>						?
Georges Bank	$g ww m yr$ $g ww m^{-2} yr^{-1}$	31	0.35	4380	16889	0.18	?
Middle Atlantic Bight	$\frac{\text{g ww m}}{\text{mgC m}^{-2}} \frac{\text{yr}}{\text{yr}^{-1}}$	32	0.37	4869	17916	0.18	
Narragansett Bay	$\frac{\text{mgC m}}{\text{g ww m}} - 2 \frac{\text{yr}}{\text{yr}} - 1$	32	0.15	693845	3917246	0.51	?
Southern New England Bight	mg C m <sup>-2</sup> yr <sup>-1</sup>	33	0.35	4717	17597	0.16	?
Chesapeake Bay	mg C m - yr -	36	0.09	888791	3227453	0.19	?
Mondego Estuary (Zostera sp. Meadows)	g AFDW $m^{-2}$ yr <sup>-1</sup>	43	0.19	4030	6822	0.03	?
St. Marks Seagrass, site 1 (Jan.)	mg C m <sup>-2</sup> d <sup>-1</sup> mg C m <sup>-2</sup> d <sup>-1</sup>	51	0.08	514	1315	0.13	: ?
St. Marks Seagrass, site 1 (Feb.)	mg C m - a -	51	0.08	601	1590	0.11	
St. Marks Seagrass, site 2 (Jan.)	$mg C m^{-2} d^{-1}$ $mg C m^{-2} d^{-1}$	51	0.07	602	1383	0.09	?
St. Marks Seagrass, site 2 (Feb.)	$mg C m^{-2} d^{-1}$ $mg C m^{-2} d^{-1}$	51	0.08	800	1921	0.08	?
St. Marks Seagrass, site 3 (Jan.)	mg C m = d =	51	0.05	7809	12651	0.01	
St. Marks Seagrass, site 4 (Feb.)	$mg C m^{-2} d^{-1}$	51	0.08	1432	2865	0.04	?
Sylt-Rømø Bight	$mg C m^{-2} d^{-1}$	59	0.08	683448	1781028	0.09	?
Graminoids (wet)	$g C m^{-2} yr^{-1}$	66	0.18	6272	13676	0.02	?
Graminoids (dry)	$g C m^{-2} yr^{-1}$	66	0.18	3472	7519	0.04	?
Cypress (wet)	$g \ C \ m^{-2} \ yr^{-1}$	68	0.12	1418	2571	0.04	?
Cypress (dry)	g C m <sup>-2</sup> yr <sup>-1</sup>	68	0.12	1035	1919	0.04	?
Lake Oneida (pre-ZM)	$g C m^{-2} yr^{-1}$	74	0.22	1034	1697	0.00	?
Lake Oneida (post-ZM)	g C m <sup>-2</sup> yr <sup>-1</sup>	76	0.22	810	1462	0.00	?
Bay of Quinte (pre-ZM)	g C m <sup>-2</sup> yr <sup>-1</sup>	74	0.21	984	1509	0.00	?
Bay of Quinte (post-ZM)	g C m <sup>-2</sup> yr <sup>-1</sup>	80	0.21	1129	2039	0.01	?
Mangroves (wet)	g C m <sup>-2</sup> yr <sup>-1</sup>	94	0.15	1531	3265	0.10	?
Mangroves (dry)	$g \ C \ m^{-2} \ yr^{-1}$	94	0.15	1531	3272	0.10	?
Florida Bay (wet)	${\rm mg} \; {\rm C} \; {\rm m}^{-2} \; {\rm yr}^{-1}$	125	0.12	738	2720	0.14	?
Florida Bay (dry)	$\mathrm{mg}~\mathrm{C}~\mathrm{m}^{-2}~\mathrm{yr}^{-1}$	125	0.13	547	1778	0.08	?

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>†</sup> n is the number of nodes in the network model,  $C = L/n^2$  is the model connectance when L is the number of direct links or energy–matter transfers,  $Input = sumz_i$  is the total amount of energy–matter flowing into the system,  $TST = \sum \sum f_{ij} + \sum z_i$  is the total system throughflow, and FCI is the Finn Cycling Index (?). Flow based network statistics (Input, TST, and FCI) were calculated after models were balanced using the AVG2 algorithm.

Table 9: Biogeochemical ecosystem networks (42) included in the enaR model library.

Model	Units	$n^{\dagger}$	$C^{\dagger}$	$Input^{\dagger}$	$TST^{\dagger}$	$FCI^{\dagger}$	Reference
Hubbard Brook (Waide)	kg Ca Ha <sup>-1</sup> yr <sup>-1</sup>	4	0.25	11	168	0.76	?
Hardwood Forest, NH	$kg Ca Ha^{-1} yr^{-1}$	4	0.31	11	200	0.80	?
Douglas Fir Forest, WA	$kg Ca Ha^{-1} yr^{-1}$	4	0.31	4	54	0.74	?
Douglas Fir Forest, WA	kg K Ha <sup>-1</sup> yr <sup>-1</sup>	4	0.31	0	45	0.97	?
Puerto Rican Rain Forest	kg Ca Ha <sup>-1</sup> yr <sup>-1</sup>	4	0.31	43	274	0.57	?
Puerto Rican Rain Forest	$kg K Ha^{-1} yr^{-1}$	4	0.31	20	433	0.86	?
Puerto Rican Rain Forest	$kg Mg Ha^{-1} yr^{-1}$	4	0.31	10	70	0.58	?
Puerto Rican Rain Forest	${ m kg~Cu~Ha^{-1}~yr^{-1}}$	4	0.31	0	2	0.37	?
Puerto Rican Rain Forest	$kg Fe Ha^{-1} yr^{-1}$	4	0.31	0	7	0.95	?
Puerto Rican Rain Forest	$kg Mn Ha^{-1} yr^{-1}$	4	0.38	0	7	0.98	?
Puerto Rican Rain Forest	kg Na Ha <sup>-1</sup> yr <sup>-1</sup>	4	0.31	64	140	0.24	?
Puerto Rican Rain Forest	$kg Sr Ha^{-1} yr^{-1}$	4	0.31	0	1	0.71	?
Tropical Rain Forest	$^{\rm g}  ^{ m N}  ^{\rm m^{-2}}  ^{\rm d^{-1}}$	5	0.24	10	71	0.48	?
Neuse River Estuary (AVG)	mmol N m <sup>-2</sup> season <sup>-1</sup>	7	0.45	795	41517	0.89	?
Neuse River Estuary (Spring 1985)	$\rm mmol~N~m^{-2}~season^{-1}$	7	0.45	133	9120	0.91	?
Neuse River Estuary (Summer 1985)	$\rm mmol~N~m^{-2}~season^{-1}$	7	0.45	119	20182	0.96	?
Neuse River Estuary Fall 1985)	$\rm mmol~N~m^{-2}~season^{-1}$	7	0.45	181	8780	0.88	?
Neuse River Estuary Winter 1986)	$\rm mmol~N~m^{-2}~season^{-1}$	7	0.43	187	6880	0.85	?
Neuse River Estuary (Spring 1986)	$\rm mmol~N~m^{-2}~season^{-1}$	7	0.45	128	12915	0.94	?
Neuse River Estuary (Summer 1986)	$\rm mmol~N~m^{-2}~season^{-1}$	7	0.45	165	11980	0.91	?
Neuse River Estuary (Fall 1986)	$\rm mmol~N~m^{-2}~season^{-1}$	7	0.45	100	9863	0.94	?
Neuse River Estuary (Winter 1987)	$\rm mmol~N~m^{-2}~season^{-1}$	7	0.45	691	7907	0.62	?
Neuse River Estuary (Spring 1987)	$\rm mmol~N~m^{-2}~season^{-1}$	7	0.45	334	11533	0.84	?
Neuse River Estuary (Summer 1987)	$\rm mmol~N~m^{-2}~season^{-1}$	7	0.45	90	15621	0.96	?
Neuse River Estuary (Fall 1987)	$\rm mmol~N~m^{-2}~season^{-1}$	7	0.45	85	7325	0.93	?
Neuse River Estuary (Winter 1988)	$\rm mmol~N~m^{-2}~season^{-1}$	7	0.45	171	8680	0.89	?
Neuse River Estuary (Spring 1988)	$\rm mmol~N~m^{-2}~season^{-1}$	7	0.45	176	6898	0.85	?
Neuse River Estuary (Summer 1988)	$\rm mmol~N~m^{-2}~season^{-1}$	7	0.45	132	16814	0.95	?
Neuse River Estuary (Fall 1988)	$\mathrm{mmol}\ \mathrm{N}\ \mathrm{m}^{-2}\ \mathrm{season}^{-1}$	7	0.45	128	5732	0.87	?
Neuse River Estuary (Winter 1989)	mmol N m <sup>-2</sup> season <sup>-1</sup>	7	0.45	291	5739	0.75	?
Cape Fear River Estuary (Oligonaline)	$_{\rm nmol~N~cm^{-3}~d^{-1}}$	8	0.36	3802	7088	0.20	?
Cape Fear River Estuary (Polyhaline)	$_{\mathrm{nmol}\ \mathrm{N}\ \mathrm{cm}^{-3}\ \mathrm{d}^{-1}}$	8	0.36	3068	5322	0.17	unpublished
Lake Lanier (AVG)	$mg P m^{-2} day^{-1}$	11	0.21	95	749	0.40	?
Baltic Sea	$mg N m^{-3} day^{-1}$	16	0.15	2348	44510	0.67	?
Chesapeake Bay	$^{\mathrm{mg}}$ N $^{\mathrm{m}^{-2}}$ yr $^{-1}$	36	0.12	73430	484325	0.33	?
Chesapeake Bay	$_{\rm mg} {\rm P} {\rm m}^{-2} {\rm yr}^{-1}$	36	0.12	9402	101091	0.51	?
Chesapeake Bay (Winter)	mg P m <sup>-2</sup> season <sup>-1</sup>	36	0.08	1009	11926	0.53	?
Chesapeake Bay (Spring)	mg P m <sup>-2</sup> season <sup>-1</sup>	36	0.10	1932	27325	0.57	?
Chesapeake Bay (Summer)	mg P m <sup>-2</sup> season <sup>-1</sup>	36	0.12	4184	42935	0.46	?
Chesapeake Bay (Fall)	mg P m <sup>-2</sup> season <sup>-1</sup>	36	0.10	2276	18904	0.40	?
Sylt-Rømø Bight	$_{ m mg~N~m^{-2}~yr^{-1}}$	59	0.09	99613	363693	0.23	?
Sylt-Rømø Bight	$_{\rm mg} {\rm P} {\rm m}^{-2} {\rm yr}^{-1}$	59	0.09	2508	57739	0.66	?

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