Equations & R Code

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Seasonal (within-year) dynamics are modeled as three differential equations:

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}N_i}{\mathrm{d}\tau} = N_i \epsilon_i f_i(R) \tag{1}$$

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}\tau}{\mathrm{d}\tau} = -\sum_{i=1,2} f_i(R) N_i \tag{2}$$

```
## Continuous model
updateNR <- function(t, NR, parms){
    with(as.list(c(NR, parms)), {
        dN1dt = N1*eps[1]*(uptake_R(r[1], R, a[1], b[1]))
        dN2dt = N2*eps[2]*(uptake_R(r[2], R, a[2], b[2]))
        dRdt = -1 * (dN1dt/eps[1] + dN2dt/eps[2])
        list(c(dN1dt, dN2dt, dRdt)) #output
    })
}

## Resource uptake function (Hill function)
uptake_R <- function(r, R, a, b){
    return((r*R^a) / (b^a + R^a))
}</pre>
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where i denotes species, D is the dormant (long-lived) biomass state, and N is the living biomass (fast-growing, shorter-lived) state, and ϵ_i is each species' resource-to-biomass conversion efficiency. The growth rate of living biomass is a resource-dependent Hill function, $f_i(R) = r_i R^{a_i}/(b_i^{a_i} + R^{a_i})$, where r is a species' intrinsic growth rate and a and b define the curvature of the function. Resource depletion is equal to the sum of each species' consumption, $\sum_{i=1,2} f_i(R) N_i$.

At the beginning of each season we start with initial conditions defined as V_t , W_t , and Z_t for the dormant state, the live state, and the resource, respectively. So for each season, eqs. 1-3 are solved given the initial conditions:

$$D_i(0) = V_{i,t} \tag{3}$$

$$N_i(0) = W_{i,t} \tag{4}$$

$$R(0) = Z_t \tag{5}$$

The consumers transition between N and D instantaneously between years. So, at the yearly transition:

$$V_{i,t+1} = \alpha_i N_i(T^-) + D_i(T^-)(1 - \gamma_{i,t})(1 - \eta_i)$$
(6)

$$W_{i,t+1} = \beta_i (1 - \alpha_i) N_i(T^-) + \gamma_{i,t} [D_i(T^-) + \alpha_i N_i(T^-)] (1 - \eta_i)$$
(7)

$$Z_{t+1} = \theta_i (1 - \alpha_i) N_i(T^-) + \nu R(T^-) + R(T^+)$$
(8)

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## Discrete model
update_DNR <- function(t,DNR,gammas,alpha1,alpha2,eta1,eta2,beta1,beta2,theta1,theta2,nu){
    with (as.list(DNR),{
        g1 <- gammas[1]
        g2 <- gammas[2]
        D1 <- alpha1*N1 + D1*(1-g1)*(1-eta1)
        D2 <- alpha2*N2 + D2*(1-g2)*(1-eta2)
        N1 <- beta1*(1-alpha1)*N1 + g1*(D1+(alpha1*N1))*(1-eta1)
        N2 <- beta2*(1-alpha2)*N2 + g2*(D2+(alpha2*N2))*(1-eta2)
        R <- theta1*(1-alpha1)*N1 + theta2*(1-alpha2)*N2 + nu*R + Rvector[t]
        return(c(D1, D2, N1, N2, R))
    })
}</pre>
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where $D(T^-)$, $N(T^-)$, and $R(T^-)$ are the densities of each state at the end of the year and g is a time-fluctuating activation rate that regulates how much dormant biomass is converted to growing-season live biomass each year. $R(T^+)$ is a randomly generated resource pulse from a log-normal distribution with mean R_{μ} and variance R_{σ^2} . Parameter notations and definitions are in table 1.

Table 1: Definition of model states and parameters. 'Constant' parameters do not fluctuate during a simulation, while 'variable' parameters do fluctuate through time in a given simulation.

$egin{array}{lll} N & & { m live\ biomass} \ D & & { m dormant\ biomass} \ R & & { m resource\ supply} \ \end{array}$
R resource supply
α allocation fraction of live biomass to seed bank (constant)
β live state survivorship (constant)
η dormant state mortality rate (constant)
ϵ resource-to-biomass efficiency (constant)
γ dormant-to-live biomass transition fraction (variable)
ν resource carry-over fraction (constant)
θ resource recycling fraction (constant)
a Hill function power parameter (constant)
b Hill function parameter (constant)
ρ correlation of species' responses transition cue (constant)
σ_E^2 variance of transition cue (constant)
R_{μ} mean resource pulse, on log scale (constant)
R_{σ^2} variance of annual resource supply, on log scale (variable)

Full R Code for Simulations

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####
#### Initial Conditions, Global Variables, and Parameters -----
####
seasons <- 1000
                                 # number of seasons to simulate
seasons_to_exclude <- 200
                                # initial seasons to exclude from plots
days_to_track <- 20
                                 # number of days to simulate in odSolve
DNR <- c(D=c(1,1),N=c(1,1),R=10) # initial conditions
Rmu <- 3
                                 # mean resource pulse (on log scale)
Rsd annual <- 0
                                 # std dev of resource pulses (on log scale)
sigE <- 2
                                 # environmental cue variance
rho <- 0
                                 # environmental cue correlation between species
# Within-season parameters
parms <- list(</pre>
 r = c(5,5),
                                # max growth rate for each species
 a = c(5,5),
                                # rate parameter for Hill function
 b = c(20,20),
                                # shape parameter for Hill function
  eps = c(0.2, 0.2)
                                # resource-to-biomass efficiency
# End-of-season transition parameters
alpha1 <- 0.50
                                 # live-to-dormant biomass fraction; spp1
alpha2 <- 0.49
                                 # live-to-dormant biomass fraction; spp2
                                 # adult survivorship; spp1 (0 if annual, >0 if perennial)
beta1 <- 0
beta2 <- 0
                                 # adult survivorship; spp2 (0 if annual, >0 if perennial)
eta1 <- 0.1
                                 # dormant mortality; spp1
eta2 <- 0.1
                                 # dormant mortality; spp2
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theta1 <- 0
                                 # resource recycling fraction; spp1
theta2 <- 0
                                 # resource recycling fraction; spp2
nu <- 0
                                 # resource carry-over fraction
####
#### Load relevant libraries ------
library('deSolve')
library('mvtnorm')
####
#### Model functions -----
## Continuous model
updateNR <- function(t, NR, parms){</pre>
  with(as.list(c(NR, parms)), {
    dN1dt = N1*eps[1]*(uptake_R(r[1], R, a[1], b[1]))
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    dRdt = -1 * (dN1dt/eps[1] + dN2dt/eps[2])
    list(c(dN1dt, dN2dt, dRdt)) #output
  })
## Resource uptake function (Hill function)
uptake_R <- function(r, R, a, b){
  return((r*R^a) / (b^a + R^a))
## Discrete model
update_DNR <- function(t,DNR,gammas,alpha1,alpha2,eta1,eta2,beta1,beta2,theta1,theta2,nu){
  with (as.list(DNR),{
    g1 <- gammas[1]
    g2 <- gammas[2]
    D1 \leftarrow alpha1*N1 + D1*(1-g1)*(1-eta1)
    D2 \leftarrow alpha2*N2 + D2*(1-g2)*(1-eta2)
    N1 \leftarrow beta1*(1-alpha1)*N1 + g1*(D1+(alpha1*N1))*(1-eta1)
    N2 \leftarrow beta2*(1-alpha2)*N2 + g2*(D2+(alpha2*N2))*(1-eta2)
    R \leftarrow theta1*(1-alpha1)*N1 + theta2*(1-alpha2)*N2 + nu*R + Rvector[t]
    return(c(D1, D2, N1, N2, R))
  })
}
####
#### Simulate model ------
####
days <- c(1:days_to_track)</pre>
# Get "germination" fractions for each year
getG <- function(sigE, rho, nTime){</pre>
  varcov <- matrix(c(sigE, rho*sigE, rho*sigE, sigE), 2, 2)</pre>
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e <- rmvnorm(n = nTime, mean = c(0,0), sigma = varcov)
  g <- exp(e) / (1+exp(e))
  return(g)
# Loop over seasons
nmsDNR <- names(DNR)
NR <- DNR[c("N1", "N2", "R")]
nmsNR <- names(NR)
gVec <- getG(sigE = sigE, rho = rho, nTime = seasons)</pre>
Rvector <- rlnorm(seasons, Rmu, Rsd_annual)</pre>
saved_outs <- matrix(ncol=5, nrow=seasons)</pre>
for(season_now in 1:seasons){
  output <- ode(y = NR, times=days,</pre>
                 func = updateNR, parms = parms)
  NR <- output[nrow(output),nmsNR]</pre>
  DNR <- c(DNR[c("D1","D2")], NR)</pre>
  saved_outs[season_now,] <- DNR</pre>
  names(DNR) <- nmsDNR</pre>
  DNR <- update_DNR(season_now, DNR, gVec[season_now,],</pre>
                     alpha1=alpha1,alpha2=alpha2,
                     eta1=eta1,eta2=eta2,
                     beta1=beta1,beta2=beta2,
                     theta1=theta1,theta2=theta2,nu=nu)
  names(DNR) <- nmsDNR</pre>
  NR <- DNR[c("N1", "N2", "R")]
  names(NR) <- nmsNR</pre>
}
matplot(saved_outs[101:seasons,c(3:4)], type="1",
        xlab="Season", ylab="Abundance",
        main=expression(paste(alpha[1], "= 0.5; ", alpha[2], "=0.49; ", sigma[E], "=0.2")))
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$$\alpha_1$$
= 0.5; α_2 =0.49; σ_E =0.2

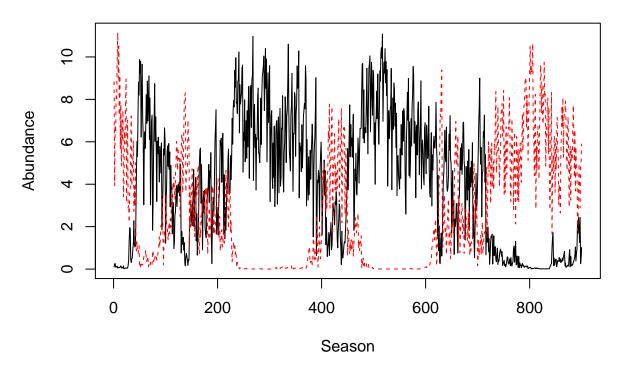


Figure 1: Abundance of both species over 800 seasons. Species have identical resource uptake rates, but differ in their conversion efficiency. This 2 species community represents and annual plant community (no biomass carry-over) with no resource recycling.