# **Technical Update Documentation**

Function Name: SpreadDisease

## **Overview of Updates**

#### 1. Previous Functionality:

• The SpreadDisease function simulated the spread of a single disease in a forest with a single tree species.

#### 2. New Functionality:

 The function has been updated to support multi-species forests. It can now simulate the spread of a single disease in forests containing multiple tree species.

# **Interface Changes**

#### **Previous Interface**

```
def SpreadDisease(forest_state, age_list,
infection_time, p_spread):
```

### **Updated Interface**

```
def SpreadDisease(forest_state, age_list,
infection_time, p_spread, tree_species=None,
spread_matrix=None):
```

```
Simulates disease spread in a forest with multiple
tree species.
    Parameters:
    - forest_state (np.ndarray): N x N matrix
representing the forest state.
      - `1`: Infected tree
      - `-1`: Healthy tree
      - `0`: Empty cell
    - age_list (np.ndarray): N x N matrix representing
tree ages.
    - infection_time (np.ndarray): N x N matrix
recording infection times for infected trees.
    - p_spread (float): Base probability of disease
spread.
    - tree_species (np.ndarray, optional): N x N matrix
indicating the species of each tree. 0 for empty cell.
    - spread_matrix (np.ndarray, optional): S x 1 matrix
where S is the number of species, representing species-
specific spread probabilities. Note that the first row
must be 0.
    Returns:
    - updated_forest_state (np.ndarray): N x N matrix
with the updated forest state.
```

## **Changes Summary**

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#### Added two optional parameters:

- 1. tree\_species: A matrix representing the species of each tree in the forest.
- 2. spread\_matrix: A vector(for now) specifying the base spread probabilities for each tree species.

#### Backward Compatibility:

• If tree\_species and spread\_matrix are not provided, the function defaults to the single-species forest logic.

# **Implementation Details**

## **Logic for Multi-Species Forests**

#### 1. Species-Specific Spread Probabilities:

- If tree\_species and spread\_matrix are provided, each tree's spread probability is adjusted based on its species.
- Example:
  - spread\_matrix = [[0],[0.3],[0.7]]
  - For trees of species 1, the probability that they get infected is 0.3
  - For trees of species 2, the probability that they get infected is 0.7

# **Key Notes**

#### 1. Input Validation:

- tree\_species must have the same shape as forest\_state.
- If spread\_matrix is provided, the number of its rows must equal to 1+ maximum value in tree\_species.
  - For instance, there are 3 kinds of tree, then
     spread\_matrix should have 4 rows. Because of the 0 for empty cells.

# **Example**

My process of initializing tree\_species and spread\_matrix:

```
random_values = np.random.randint(1, 3, size=(N, N))
test_tree_species = np.zeros((N, N))
test_tree_species[(initial_forest != 0)] =
random_values[(initial_forest != 0)]
test_tree_species = test_tree_species.astype(int)
test_spread_matrix = np.random.rand(3, 1)
test_spread_matrix[0, 0] = 0
```

# IMPORTANT! THE FIRST ROW OF SPREAD\_MATRIX MUST BE 0!