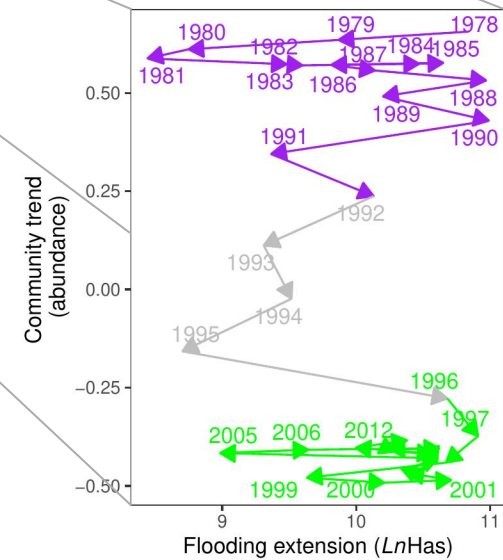




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- Before Pinatubo
- Transient period
- After Pinatubo

Wet and warm conditions,
normal climate

Community trend 

Aerosol optical depth

Continuous path

Stable branch

Unstable branch

A diagram showing a hysteresis loop. A solid line with an arrow points from the bottom left towards the top right. A dashed line with an arrow points from the top right back towards the bottom left, following a slightly different path than the solid line, creating a loop. The word "Hysteresis" is written in a bold, sans-serif font across the middle of the diagram.

Stable branch

Flooding extension