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APPENDIX A. Tables showing interactions and abundances, morphology and phenology to each plant and hummingbird species; the geographical coordinates of sampling transects; the results of network metrics and expected by null models; and results of model selection and parameters used to compare probabilistic models across the sampling completeness gradient.

Table A1. Abundances of 55 hummingbird-pollinated species quantified along 12000m of trails in the Atlantic Rainforest at Santa Virginia Field Station, southeastern Brazil. Number of flowers (or inflorescences, for Asteraceae species) was counted monthly from September 2011 to August 2013 and relative abundances indicate the relative proportion of flowers accounted by each species calculated on the total number of flowers.

	Species	Number of	Relative
Species	Acronym	flowers	abundances
<i>Aechmea</i> cf. <i>organensis</i> Wawra	Aec_org	19	0.000226376
<i>Aechmea distichantha</i> Lem.	Aec_dis	106	0.001262942
<i>Aechmea gamosepala</i> Wittm.	Aec_gam	41	0.000488497
<i>Aechmea nudicaulis</i> (L.) Griseb.	Aec_nud	19	0.000226376
<i>Aechmea vanhoutteana</i> (Van Houtte) Mez	Aec_van	22	0.000262120
<i>Alstroemeria inodora</i> Herb.	Als_ino	280	0.003336074
<i>Aphelandra colorata</i> Wassh.	Aph_col	120	0.001429746
<i>Aphelandra longiflora</i> (Lindl.) Profice	Aph_lon	21	0.000250206
<i>Besleria longimucronata</i> Hoehne	Bes_lon	445	0.005301974
<i>Billbergia amoena</i> (Lodd.) Lindl.	Bil_amo	38	0.000452753
<i>Callianthe rufinerva</i> (A. St.-Hil.) Donnell	Cal_ruf	162	0.001930157
<i>Canistrum perplexum</i> L.B. Sm.	Can_per	29	0.000345522
<i>Canna paniculata</i> Ruiz & Pav.	Can_pan	289	0.003443305
<i>Centropogon cornutus</i> (L.) Druce	Cen_cor	62	0.000738702
<i>Edmundoa lindenii</i> (Regel) Leme	Edm_lin	22	0.000262120
<i>Erythrina speciosa</i> Andrews	Ery_spe	57102	0.680344569
<i>Fuchsia regia</i> (Vell.) Munz	Fuc_reg	5485	0.065351300

<i>Inga sessilis</i> (Vell.) Mart.	Ing_ses	2265	0.026986453
<i>Justicia</i> sp.1	Jus_sp1	64	0.000762531
<i>Justicia</i> sp.2	Jus_sp2	67	0.000798275
<i>Lantana camara</i> L.	Lan_cam	600	0.007148729
<i>Macrocarpaea rubra</i> Malme	Mac_rub	568	0.006767464
<i>Manettia cordifolia</i> Mart.	Man_cor	591	0.007041498
<i>Mendoncia velloziana</i> Mart.	Men_sp	18	0.000214462
<i>Mutisia speciosa</i> Aiton ex Hook.	Mut_spe	18	0.000214462
<i>Nematanthus</i> cf. <i>maculatus</i> (Fritsch)	Nem_mac		
Wiehler		19	0.000226376
<i>Nematanthus fluminensis</i> (Vell.) Fritsch	Nem_flu	373	0.004444127
<i>Nematanthus fritschii</i> Hoehne	Nem_fri	339	0.004039032
<i>Nematanthus gregarius</i> D.L. Denham	Nem_gre	300	0.003574365
<i>Nematanthus sericeus</i> (Hanst.) Chautems	Nem_ser	26	0.000309778
<i>Nidularium innocentii</i> Lem.	Nid_ino	1005	0.011974122
<i>Nidularium longiflorum</i> Ule	Nid_lon	446	0.005313889
<i>Nidularium procerum</i> Lindm.	Nid_pro	378	0.004503699
<i>Nidularium rutilans</i> E. Morren	Nid_rut	52	0.000619557
<i>Psittacanthus dichroos</i> (Mart.) Mart.	Psi_dic	56	0.000667215
<i>Psychotria leiocarpa</i> Cham. & Schltdl.	Psy_lei	8704	0.103704233
<i>Pyrostegia venusta</i> (Ker Gawl.) Miers	Pyr_ven	91	0.001084224
<i>Sinningia cooperi</i> (Paxton) Wiehler	Sin_coo	179	0.002132704
<i>Sinningia elatior</i> (Kunth) Chautems	Sin_ela	158	0.001882499
<i>Sinningia glazioviana</i> (Fritsch) Chautems	Sin_gla	146	0.001739524

<i>Siphocampylus convolvulaceus</i> G. Don	Sip_con	189	0.002251850
<i>Siphocampylus lauroanus</i> Handro & M. Kuhl.	Sip_lau	159	0.001894413
<i>Siphocampylus longipedunculatus</i> E. Wimm.	Sip_lon	49	0.000583813
<i>Spirotheca rivieri</i> (Decne.) Ulbr.	Spi_riv	1980	0.023590807
<i>Tillandsia dura</i> Baker	Til_dur	11	0.000131060
<i>Tillandsia geminiflora</i> Brongn.	Til_gem	30	0.000357436
<i>Tillandsia</i> sp.	Til_sp	60	0.000714873
<i>Tillandsia stricta</i> Sol. ex Sims	Til_str	114	0.001358259
<i>Vriesea carinata</i> Wawra	Vri_car	359	0.004277323
<i>Vriesea erythrodactylon</i> (E. Morren) E. Morren ex Mez	Vri_ery	17	0.000202547
<i>Vriesea incurvata</i> Gaudich.	Vri_inc	110	0.001310600
<i>Vriesea inflata</i> (Wawra) Wawra	Vri_inf	65	0.000774446
<i>Vriesea simplex</i> (Vell.) Beer	Vri_sim	16	0.000190633
<i>Vriesea</i> sp.	Vri_sp	24	0.000285949
<i>Wittrockia superba</i> Lindm.	Wit_sup	23	0.000274035

Table A2. Abundances of nine hummingbird species occurring in the Atlantic Rainforest from September 2011 to August 2013 at Santa Virgínia Field Station, southeastern Brazil. Contacts in transects indicate the total number of aural and visual contacts with individuals counted monthly across ten transects (100m each); frequency of occurrence is the proportion of days in which a species was recorded across 12000m of trails percurred and over 130 days of fieldwork; and the relative frequency is the relative proportion accounted by each species calculated on the frequency of occurrences.

Species	Acron ym	Contacts in transects	Frequency of occurrence	Relative frequencies
<i>Phaethornis eurynome</i> (Lesson. 1832)	Pe	86	86.923	0.288
<i>Thalurania glaucopis</i> (Gmelin. 1788)	Tg	28	78.462	0.260
<i>Clytolaema rubricauda</i> (Boddaert. 1783)	Cr	18	66.923	0.222
<i>Leucochloris albicollis</i> (Vieillot. 1818)	La	0	20.000	0.071
<i>Stephanoxis lalandi</i> (Vieillot. 1818)	Sl	0	13.077	0.066
<i>Amazilia versicolor</i> (Vieillot. 1818)	Av	0	8.462	0.043

<i>Eupetomena macroura</i>	Em	0	0.769	0.028
(Gmelin. 1788)				
<i>Lophornis chalybeus</i>	Lc	1	5.385	0.018
(Vieillot. 1822)				
<i>Florisuga fusca</i> (Vieillot.	Ff	5	21.538	0.003
1817)				

Table A3. Plant phenology quantified by the monthly presence/absence of flowers of 55 hummingbird-pollinated species from September 2011 to August 2013 in the 12000 m of trails in the Atlantic Rainforests at Santa Virgínia Field Station, southeastern Brazil. Species acronym according Table A1. In total, 130 days of sampling were spread along the years.

Species	2011								2012									
	Se	Oc	No	De	Ja	Fe	Ma	Ap	Ma	Ju	Ju	Au	Se	Oc	No	De	Ja	Fe
acronym	p	t	v	c	n	b	r	r	y	n	l	g	p	t	v	c	n	b
Aec_dis	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	1
Aec_gam	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0
Aec_nud	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0
Aec_org	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Aec_van	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Als_ino	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	0	1	1
Aph_col	0	0	0	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
Aph_lon	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Bes_lon	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	0	0	0	0
Bil_amo	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Cal_ruf	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Can_pan	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	0
Can_per	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
Cen_cor	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Edm_lin	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	1
Ery_spe	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0

Fuc_reg	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Ing_ses	0	0	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	1	1
Jus_sp1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Jus_sp2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Lan_cam	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Mac_rub	0	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	1	0	0
Man_cor	0	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	1	0	0
Men_sp	0	0	0	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	0
Mut_spe	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	1	0	0
Nem_flu	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	0	0	0
Nem_fri	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	0	0
Nem_gre	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	0
Nem_mac	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0
Nem_ser	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0
Nid_ino	0	0	0	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	1	1
Nid_lon	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0
Nid_pro	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Nid_rut	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	0	0
Psi_dic	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	1
Psy_lei	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	1	1	0
Pyr_ven	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Sin_coo	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Sin_ela	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	1

Sin_gla	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Sip_con	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Sip_lau	1	1	1	1	1	0	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	0
Sip_lon	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	1	1	0	1	0	1	1	1	1
Spi_riv	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Til_dur	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Til_gem	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
Til_sp	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Til_str	0	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0
Vri_car	1	1	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	0
Vri_ery	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Vri_inc	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	1	1
Vri_inf	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
Vri_sim	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0
Vri_sp	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	1	0	0	1	0	1	0	1	0
Wit_sup	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1

Table A4. Hummingbird phenology indicated by the monthly presence/absence of flowers from September 2011 to August 2013 in the 12000 m of trails in the Atlantic Rainforests at Santa Virgínia Field Station, southeastern Brazil. Species acronym according Table A2.

Species acronym	2011								2012								
	Se	Oc	No	De	Ja	Fe	Ma	Ap	Ma	Ju	Ju	Au	Se	Oc	No	De	Ja
	p	t	v	c	n	b	r	r	y	n	l	g	p	t	v	c	n
Pe	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Tg	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Cr	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
La	0	1	1	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	1	1	1
Sl	0	1	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	0	1
Av	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	1	1	0	1	0
Em	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Lc	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0

Ff	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	1
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Table A5. Minimum corolla depth in 55 hummingbird-pollinated species in Atlantic Rainforests from September 2011 to August 2013 in the 12000 m of trails in the Atlantic Rainforest at Santa Virgínia Field Station, southeastern Brazil. Corolla depth was measured as the internal distance from the base of nectar chamber to the distal portion of the flower (*i.e.* effective corolla length, *sensu* Wolf, Stiles & Hainsworth 1976), which represents the minimum mouth apparatus length needed to a hummingbird access the nectar legitimately. Species acronym according Table A1.

Species acronym	Minimum corolla depth	Mean \pm sd corolla depth
	(cm)	(cm)
Aec_dis	1.22	1.29 \pm 0.07 (n=3)
Aec_gam	0.85	1.08 \pm 0.23 (n=8)
Aec_nud	0.96	1.06 \pm 0.10 (n=3)
Aec_org	1.04	1.21 \pm 0.17 (n=4)
Aec_van	0.93	1.09 \pm 0.16 (n=10)
Als_ino	1.00	1.00 (n=1)
Aph_col	3.24	3.38 \pm 0.14 (n=10)
Aph_lon	3.06	3.28 \pm 0.22 (n=13)
Bes_lon	1.06	1.30 \pm 0.24 (n=20)
Bil_amo	3.28	3.70 \pm 0.42 (n=6)
Cal_ruf	0.38	0.58 \pm 0.20 (n=3)
Can_pan	2.93	3.49 \pm 0.56 (n=3)
Can_per	1.49	1.57 \pm 0.08 (n=5)
Cen_cor	3.36	3.67 \pm 0.31 (n=5)
Edm_lin	1.09	1.71 \pm 0.62 (n=2)

Ery_spe	0.9	1.04 ± 0.14 (n=11)
Fuc_reg	1.37	1.58 ± 0.21 (n=9)
Ing_ses	1.11	1.59 ± 0.48 (n=3)
Jus_sp1	2.69	2.88 ± 0.19 (n=9)
Jus_sp2	0.95	1.16 ± 0.21 (n=15)
Lan_cam	0.61	0.66 ± 0.05 (n=5)
Mac_rub	2.14	2.34 ± 0.20 (n=17)
Man_cor	4.57	5.14 ± 0.57 (n=12)
Men_sp	3.06	3.23 ± 0.17 (n=4)
Mut_spe	1.26	1.46 ± 0.20 (n=5)
Nem_flu	3.97	4.30 ± 0.33 (n=9)
Nem_fri	3.78	3.94 ± 0.16 (n=9)
Nem_gre	1.38	1.52 ± 0.14 (n=7)
Nem_mac	4.26	4.37 ± 0.11 (n=5)
Nem_ser	2.75	3.08 ± 0.33 (n=4)
Nid_ino	4.29	4.62 ± 0.33 (n=16)
Nid_lon	4.44	4.66 ± 0.22 (n=8)
Nid_pro	3.56	4.20 ± 0.64 (n=9)
Nid_rut	3.19	3.57 ± 0.38 (n=3)
Psi_dic	1.44	1. 44 (n=1) (n=1)
Psy_lei	0.6	0.66 ± 0.06 (n=20)
Pyr_ven	1.75	2.04 ± 0.29 (n=8)
Sin_coo	2.63	2.88 ± 0.25 (n=6)
Sin_ela	2.76	3.04 ± 0.28 (n=2)

Sin_gla	3.08	3.19 ± 0.11 (n=11)
Sip_con	3.14	3.49 ± 0.35 (n=6)
Sip_lau	3.92	4.10 ± 0.18 (n=4)
Sip_lon	3.19	3.88 ± 0.29 (n=5)
Spi_riv	0.33	0.67 ± 0.34 (n=3)
Til_dur	1.36	1.50 ± 0.14 (n=8)
Til_gem	1.20	1.26 ± 0.06 (n=5)
Til_sp	1.20	1.20 (n=1)
Til_str	1.45	1.52 ± 0.07 (n=11)
Vri_car	3.14	3.49 ± 0.35 (n=11)
Vri_ery	4.28	4.28 (n=1)
Vri_inc	3.22	3.55 ± 0.33 (n=6)
Vri_inf	3.39	3.66 ± 0.27 (n=8)
Vri_sim	3.35	3.62 ± 0.27 (n=6)
Vri_sp	3.35	3.80 ± 0.45 (n=3)
Wit_sup	1.43	1.85 ± 0.42 (n=8)

Table A6. Bill length (exposed culmen). estimated tongue extension and bill+tongue estimation of nine hummingbird species in the Atlantic Rainforest at Santa Virgínia Field Station. southeastern Brazil. *Tongue extension estimated based on *Selasphorus rufus* measures. which is around 80% percent of the bill length (Grant & Temeles 1992). Species acronym according to Table A2.

Species acronym	Mean bill length ± sd	Tongue extension (cm)*	Bill +
	(cm)		tongue
Pe	3.33 ± 0.12 (n=12)	2.72	6.12
Tg	1.79 ± 0.08 (n=6)	1.44	3.24
Cr	1.90 (n=1)	1.52	3.42
La	2.02 ± 0.14 (n=10)	1.60	3.60
Sl	1.45 ± 0.12 (n=8)	1.20	2.70
Av	1.61 ± 0.08 (n=8)	1.28	2.88
Em	2.23 ± 0.13 (n=7)	1.76	3.96
Lc	1.08 ± 0.10 (n=6)	0.96	2.16
Ff	2.16 ± 0.11 (n=7)	1.76	3.96

Table A7. Geographical coordinates of starting and ending points from the ten transects (100 m long) where we counted hummingbirds monthly at Santa Virgínia Field Station, southeastern Brazil.

	Starting point	Ending point
Transect 1	S 23°20.299. W 45°08.965	S 23°20.313. W 45°09.020
Transect 2	S 23°20.430. W 45°09.332	S 23°20.486. W 45°09.353
Transect 3	S 23°20.575. W 45°09.318	S 23°20.658. W 45°09.337
Transect 4	S 23°20.658. W 45°09.356	S 23°20.693. W 45°09.390
Transect 5	S 23°20.744. W 45°09.487	S 23°20.786. W 45°09.470
Transect 6	S 23°20.844. W 45°09.448	S 23°20.885. W 45°09.457
Transect 7	S 23°20.968. W 45°09.397	S 23°20.981. W 45°09.344
Transect 8	S 23°20.994. W 45°09.004	S 23°20.979. W 45°08.942
Transect 9	S 23°20.767. W 45°09.806	S 23°20.747. W 45°08.765
Transect 10	S 23°20.932. W 45°09.265	S 23°20.949. W 45°09.218

Table A8. Number of parameters used to penalize model complexity in each of eight models described in ESM 12. These numbers of parameters were defined according to number of plant and animal species in the matrix and to number of variables included in the models. Smaller networks tend to be easier to predict, so the number of species in the matrices was included in the model's penalization to account for the increasing network size along the sampling effort gradient.

Models	Cumulative sampling effort (hours)									
	1	2	3	4	5	10	15	20	25	30
PM	86	98	100	110	112	124	126	126	126	126
P	43	49	50	55	56	62	63	63	63	63
M	43	49	50	55	56	62	63	63	63	63
Null	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
AM	86	98	100	110	112	124	126	126	126	126
A	43	49	50	55	56	62	63	63	63	63
AP	86	98	100	110	112	124	126	126	126	126
APM	129	147	150	165	168	186	189	189	189	189

Table A9. Network metrics over increasing sampling completeness in the hummingbird-plant network in Santa Virgínia. Between parenthesis are shown values expected by the null model (95% confidence interval) and bold indicates significant differences between observed and expected by the null model.

Metric	Cummulative sampling effort (hours observing each plant sp							
	m1	m5	m10	m15	m20	m25	m30	m35

N. plants	36	47	53	54	54	54	54	55
N.								
pollinators	7	9	9	9	9	9	9	9
Links	44	68	81	94	102	105	111	115
Visits	83	466	812	1,083	1,437	1,719	2,011	2,282
Connectance								
e	0.17	0.17	0.17	0.19	0.21	0.27	0.23	0.23
Interaction	0.93	0.85	0.83	0.83	0.84	0.84	0.85	0.85
evenness	(0.62-0.66)	(0.56-0.59)	(0.56-0.59)	(0.59-0.62)	(0.62-0.64)	(0.63-0.65)	(0.63-0.66)	(0.64-0.66)
NODF	17.05 (21.54-22.15)	28.92 (23.25-23.65)	32.71 (25.47-26.06)	44.92 (30.05-30.52)	49.43 (31.65-32.12)	51.62 (32.18-32.68)	58.00 (34.57-35.05)	59.63 (35.02-35.52)
wNODF	13.05 (4.10-12.47)	15.37 (17.10-26.60)	15.07 (20.50-30.43)	19.29 (27.70-38.50)	22.73 (32.80-44.50)	24.17 (34.20-46.20)	26.90 (36.50-49.90)	29.13 (38.00-49.90)
H ₂ '	0.70 (0.55-0.77)	0.61 (0.27-0.50)	0.60 (0.23-0.39)	0.55 (0.18-0.28)	0.53 (0.16-0.24)	0.52 (0.15-0.24)	0.48 (0.14-0.21)	0.48 (0.13-0.20)
Q binary	0.54 (0.45-0.54)	0.48 (0.48 (0.25-0.48)	0.43 (0.20-0.43)	0.38 (0.30-0.40)	0.38 (0.31-0.39)	0.37 (0.32-0.39)	0.36 (0.34-0.37)	0.35 (0.32-0.36)
Q	0.63	0.51		0.48	0.45	0.44	0.43	0.42
quantitative	(0.15-0.61)	(0.03-0.16)	0.49(0.03-0.15)	(0.03-0.16)	(0.03-0.15)	(0.03-0.15)	(0.03-0.15)	(0.03-0.14)

N modules

quantitative	5	3 or 4	3 or 4	4	4	4	4	4
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Table A10. AIC values indicating the ability of eight models to predict observed frequency of interaction between pairwise species over increasing sampling effort in the Santa Virgínia hummingbird-plant network. Models are probability matrices based on species abundance (**A**), phenological overlap (**P**) and morphological matching (**M**) and all possible combination among them. **Null** model is a benchmark model that assumes all interactions have the same probability to occur. Note that **Null** is the best predictive model under very small sampling (<2h), but after 3h of cumulative sampling the **PM** model, which includes both phenological overlap and bill-corolla (morphological) matching, had the best ability to predict pairwise interaction. Also note that all models including **A** had the worst fits, even worse than the **Null** model. Because data on tongue extension in hummingbirds is scarce in the literature, we also recreate a morphological model (**MI**) considering the tongue extension as 1/3 of the bill length. However, these models presented minor influence on the results because they performed similarly to the model **M**; thus we discussed just model **M** in the text.

Models	Cumulative sampling effort (hours)									
	1	2	3	4	5	10	15	20	25	30
PM	531	885	1,168*	1,623*	2,015*	3,313*	4,201*	5,211*	6,003*	6,660*
P	482	860	1,178	1,684	2,130	3,613	4,638	5,832	6,771	7,579
M	474	862	1,192	1,833	2,348	4,004	5,025	6,252	7,229	8,180
MI	441	795	1,073	1,658	2,115	3,545	4,415	5,444	6,262	7,048
Null	431*	842*	1,214	1,918	2,495	4,330	5,509	6,935	8,071	9,185

AM	870	1,441	1,880	2,464	3,037	4,964	6,804	8,827	10,509	12,281	1
A	787	1,351	1,792	2,370	2,949	4,884	6,737	8,779	10,475	12,263	1
AP	896	1,508	1,959	2,509	3,069	5,004	6,931	9,089	10,685	12,634	1
APM	979	1,598	2,047	2,602	3,159	5,082	6,996	9,134	10,984	12,760	1

Table A11. Plant-hummingbird network from Atlantic Rainforest at Santa Virgínia Field Station, southeastern Brazil assembled with 50h of observation to each plant species (see detail in 'Materials and Methods' for detail). Plant and hummingbirds species names follow Table A1 and A2, respectively.

	Pe	Tg	Cr	Ff	La	Sl	Av	Lc	Em
Aec_dis	15	21	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Aec_gam	18	95	6	0	0	2	0	0	0
Aec_nud	1	6	15	0	0	0	0	0	0
Aec_org	12	24	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Aec_van	95	132	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Als_ino	30	0	0	0	2	18	0	0	0
Aph_col	18	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Aph_lon	31	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Bes_lon	9	19	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Bil_amo	36	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Cal_ruf	1	22	60	0	0	0	0	0	0
Can_pan	65	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Can_per	14	68	18	1	0	0	0	0	0
Cen_cor	23	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Edm_lin	53	26	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Ery_spe	107	137	95	0	0	0	1	5	1
Fuc_reg	6	5	15	0	0	0	0	0	0
Ing_ses	44	32	198	41	23	0	8	2	0
Jus_sp1	7	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Jus_sp2	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Lan_cam	1	0	0	0	0	26	0	0	0
Mac_rub	6	33	2	0	1	6	30	0	0
Man_cor	50	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Men_sp	2	0	14	0	0	0	16	0	0
Mut_spe	62	0	0	0	14	0	0	0	0

Nem_flu	22	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Nem_fri	36	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Nem_gre	4	18	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Nem_ma									
c	15	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Nem_ser	5	1	4	0	0	0	0	0	0
Nid_ino	36	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0
Nid_lon	11	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Nid_pro	31	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Nid_rut	20	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Psi_dic	1	1	53	1	10	0	1	0	0
Psy_lei	0	2	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
Pyr_ven	17	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
Sin_coo	35	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Sin_ela	7	0	0	0	9	0	0	0	0
Sin_gla	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Sip_con	22	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Sip_lau	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Sip_lon	7	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Spi_riv	0	74	102	4	0	0	0	5	0
Til_dur	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Til_gem	2	12	2	0	1	1	0	0	0
Til_sp	2	4	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Til_str	1	3	1	0	0	1	0	0	0
Vri_car	16	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Vri_ery	17	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Vri_inc	22	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Vri_inf	9	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Vri_sim	24	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Vri_sp	20	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Wit_sup	55	77	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

APPENDIX B. Figures showing the asymptotic trend of links in a rarefaction and the correlation between hummingbird species abundances and their frequencies of occurrences.

Figure B1. Individual-based rarefaction curve with 95% confidence intervals (grey lines). Note the asymptotic tendency from accumulated number of links with the accumulation of visits observed in the network. We ran this analysis in EstimateS 9.1.0 (Colwell 2013) and calculated confidence intervals using unconditional variances as suggested by Colwell et al. (2012. doi:10.1093/jpe/rtr044)

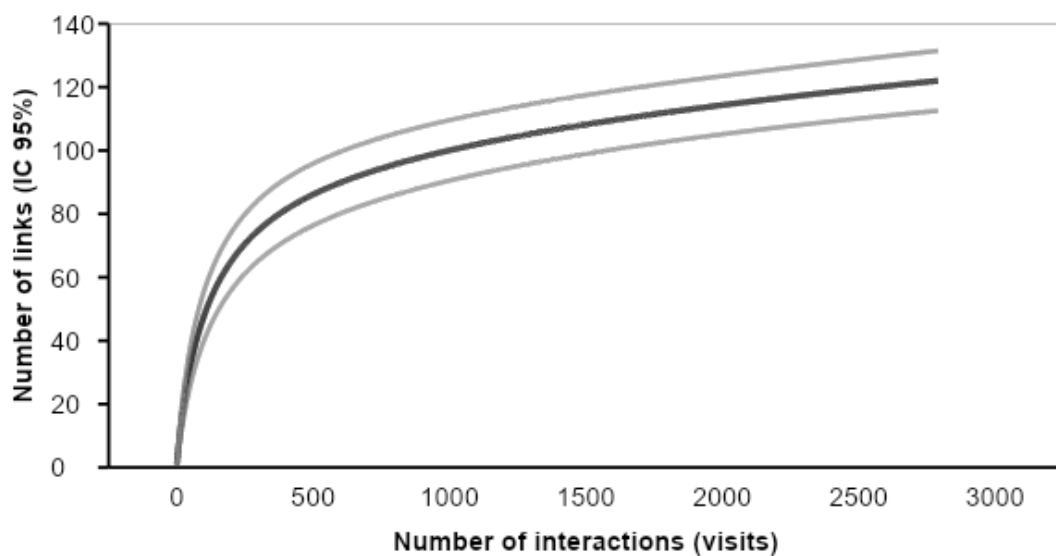


Figure B2. Spearman correlation between frequency of occurrence during 130 days of field work and number of contacts during counts in transects. Observations were conducted over a 2 year period and include nine hummingbird species from Santa Virginia Field Station, southeastern Brazil.

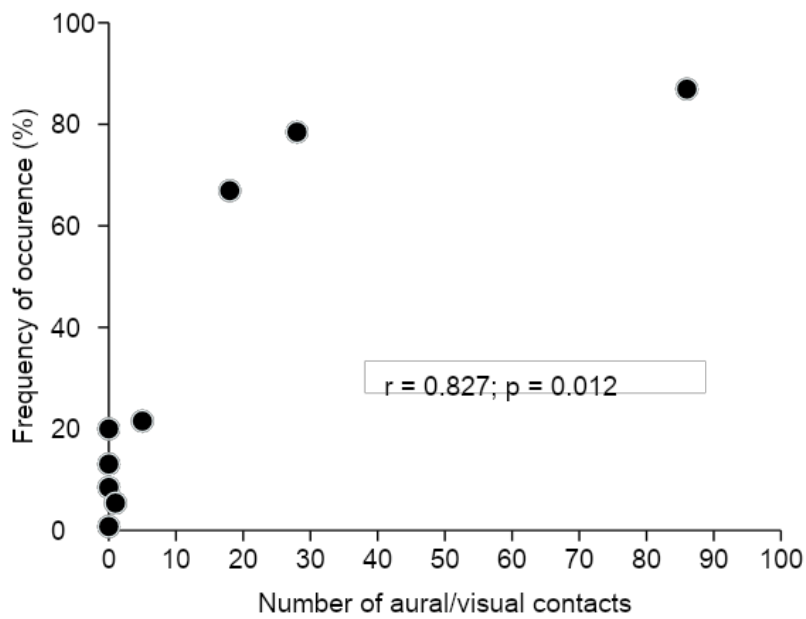


Figure B3. Network metrics calculated under a simulated sampling effort gradient created by interaction removals of a plant-hummingbird network in SE Brazil. We simulated rarefaction-like sampling reduction by removing successively 10% of interactions creating class of removal from 90% to 10% removals. Network metrics were recalculated (1.000 iterations) and their values (gray overlapped lines) and mean (black line) were plotted. Dashed black lines indicate mean and 95% CI. Note that the results do not differ importantly from Figure 1 but metrics were less variable across the gradient of sampling effort using this approach.

