# Advanced Ecology: Communities and Ecosystems PCB5443--U01--1241

Exam 2 - Pulses Time Series

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\*\*Part I: Develop a question or questions that motivate the time-series analysis of the data you chose (10 points).

### A:

• Does the defaunation of medium and large herbivores affect plant abundance?

\*\*Part II: Use a time-series model to analyze the data (pick one of the three models, or you may chose to use more than one model). Include the data, the R scripts, figures, and model output (10 points).

## A:

• All the data and code are available here

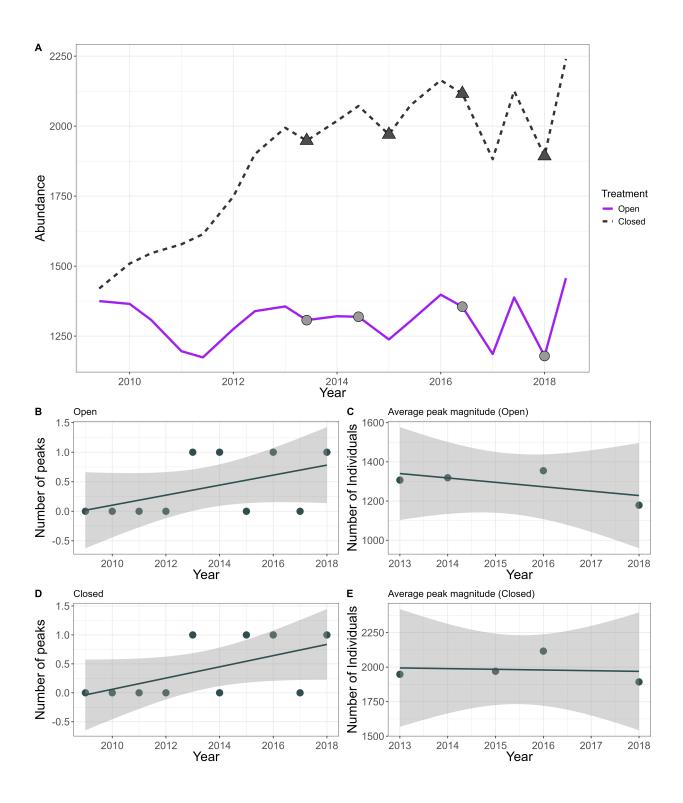
\*\*Part III: Interpret the results of your data (in 1-2 paragraphs) using descriptions of the model output (qualitative and quantitative) and characteristics of pulse dynamics described in Jentsch and White (2019) (40 points).

#### A:

- Explaing the experiment
- Interestingly, closed plots experienced an abundance boom while open plots kept almost constant. Although my predictions was that this exercise would target the peaks, it seems that the results is quite on the opposite, showing the valies insteads. Both treatments had the same peak patterns and within the same year period (with the exception of 2014, present only in closed plots while 2015 was absent). I hypothesize that maybe the data structure is not suitable enough for this method to capture the peaks precisely, as there were only 10 years of data sample comprising 2 measurements per year.
- All the patterns shown here goes in the opposite direction of my prediction that plant abundance would increase in closed plots, as shown by previous studies in the same experiment (XXX and XXX). Moreover, graph A show a clear increase in the abundance right after the beginning of the experiment, with both lines starting almost at the same intercept. Although the first years did not show a large variation, visually, peaks and valleys are present after 2014, more than was captures by the model.
- Further amaryllises should incorporate the valley *quantmod* method as well as the rate of plant mortality and recruitment. Moreover, exploring the time series at the site level might be more suitable as each location has a large variability on plant dynamic.

Open (Peaks per year: 0.4, average peak magnitude: 1290, peak standard deviation: 76.75, peak CV: 0.05) model 1: Slope: 0.14, P-value = 0.15 - Did time affected the occurance of peaks? No model 2: Slope: -0.64, P-value = 0.35 - Has the magnitude of peaks increased/decreased over time?? No

Closed (Peaks per year: 0.4, average peak magnitude: 1981.75, peak standard deviation: 95.17, peak CV: 0.04) model 1: Slope: 0.56, P-value = 0.08 - Did time affected the occurance of peaks? Almost model 2: Slope: -0.10, P-value: 0.89 - Has the magnitude of peaks increased/decreased over time?? No



# Literature

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# Script

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rm(list=ls())
if(!require(tidyverse)) install.packages("tidyverse", dependencies = TRUE)
if(!require(quantmod)) install.packages("quantmod", dependencies = TRUE)
if(!require(xts)) install.packages("xts", dependencies = TRUE)
if(!require(emmeans)) install.packages("emmeans", dependencies = TRUE)
if(!require(ggthemes)) install.packages("ggthemes", dependencies = TRUE)
if(!require(timetk)) remotes::install github("business-science/timetk")
if(!require(ggpubr)) install.packages("ggpubr", dependencies = TRUE)
# Abundance # ----
data_biota <- readr::read_csv("00_data/life_form_2020_for_abudance_recruitment_mortality.csv") |>
  dplyr::select(c(1:3,5:23)) |>
  tidyr::pivot_longer(cols = 4:22, names_to = "Date", values_to = "abnd") |>
  dplyr::mutate(Date = recode(Date,
                                   "T0" = "2009-06-01", "T006" = "2010-01-01",
                                   "T012" = "2010-06-01", "T018" = "2011-01-01",
                                   "T024" = "2011-06-01", "T030" = "2012-01-01",
                                   "T036" = "2012-06-01", "T042" = "2013-01-01",
                                   "T048" = "2013-06-01", "T054" = "2014-01-01",
                                   "T060" = "2014-06-01", "T066" = "2015-01-01",
                                   "T072" = "2015-06-01", "T078" = "2016-01-01",
                                   "T084" = "2016-06-01", "T090" = "2017-01-01", "T096" = "2017-06-01", "T102" = "2018-01-01",
                                   "T108" = "2018-06-01")) |>
  dplyr::group_by(Treatment, Date) |>
  dplyr::summarise(abnd = sum(abnd)) |>
  dplyr::ungroup() |>
  dplyr::mutate(Date = as.POSIXct(paste(Date, "-01", "%Y-%m-%d", tz = "UTC")))
all_open <- data_biota |>
  dplyr::filter(Treatment == "open")
all_open
all_open_ts <- all_open |>
 timetk::tk_xts()
all_open_ts
str(all_open_ts)
tzone(all open ts)
nmonths(all_open_ts)
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nyears(all_open_ts)
chartSeries(all_open_ts,theme="white")
chartSeries(all open ts,up.col='blue',dn.col='red',
            subset='2010::2017-06',theme="white")
# didn't change from 1 to 10
all_open_pks.1 <- findPeaks(all_open_ts, thresh=1)</pre>
plot(all_open_ts[all_open_pks.1])
all_open_peaks1 <- as.data.frame(all_open_ts[all_open_pks.1]) |>
 rownames_to_column("Dates") |>
  dplyr::mutate(Treatment = "Open")
all_open_peaks1
#how many peaks per year?
peak_per_y_open <- length(all_open_peaks1$abnd)/nyears(all_open_ts)</pre>
peak_per_y_open
#average peak magnitude (in number of individuals per year)
all_peak_mean_open <- mean(all_open_peaks1$abnd)</pre>
all peak mean open
#peak standard deviation
all_peak_sd_open <- sd(all_open_peaks1$abnd)</pre>
all_peak_sd_open
#peak CV
all_peak_CV_open <- all_peak_sd_open/all_peak_mean_open
all_peak_CV_open
all_open_summary <- cbind("Peaks per year:",peak_per_y_open,</pre>
                  "average peak magnitude: ", all_peak_mean_open,
                  "peak standard deviation:", all_peak_sd_open,
                  "peak CV:", all_peak_CV_open)
all_open_summary
all_open_peaks1$year<-as.numeric(format(as.POSIXct(all_open_peaks1$Dates),"%Y"))
all_open_peaks1
all_year_open <- min(as.numeric(</pre>
 format(as.POSIXct(all_open$Date),"%Y"))):max(as.numeric(
    format(as.POSIXct(all_open$Date),"%Y")))
all_year_open
all_years_open <- as.data.frame(all_year_open)</pre>
all_years_open
all_peak.sum_open <- all_open_peaks1 |>
  group_by(year) |>
  summarise(mean.peak=mean(abnd), count=n())
all_peak.sum_open
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all_peak.number_open <- merge(all_years_open, all_peak.sum_open,</pre>
                               by.x="all_year_open", by.y="year", all.x=TRUE)
all_peak.number_open
all_peak.number_open[is.na(all_peak.number_open)] <- 0</pre>
all_peak.number_open
all_peak.number.lm_open <- lm(scale(count)~scale(all_year_open),</pre>
                               data = all peak.number open)
all_lmsum.number_open <- summary(all_peak.number.lm_open)</pre>
all lmsum.number open
all_peak.number.slope_open <- all_peak.number.lm_open$coefficients[2]
all_peak.number.slope_open
all_peak.number.p_open <- all_lmsum.number_open$coefficients[2,4]</pre>
all_peak.number.p_open
all_peak.magnitude.lm_open <- lm(scale(abnd)~ scale(year), data = all_open_peaks1)
all_lmsum.mag_open <- summary(all_peak.magnitude.lm_open)</pre>
all_lmsum.mag_open
all_peak.magnitude.slope_open <- all_peak.magnitude.lm_open$coefficients[2]
all_peak.magnitude.slope_open
all_peak.magnitude.p_open <- all_lmsum.mag_open$coefficients[2,4]</pre>
all_peak.magnitude.p_open
all_closed <- data_biota |>
  dplyr::filter(Treatment == "closed")
all_closed
all_closed_ts <- all_closed |>
  timetk::tk_xts()
all_closed_ts
str(all_closed_ts)
tzone(all_closed_ts)
nmonths(all_closed_ts)
nyears(all_closed_ts)
chartSeries(all_closed_ts,theme="white")
chartSeries(all_closed_ts,up.col='blue',dn.col='red',
            subset='2010::2017-06',theme="white")
# didnt change from 1 to 45
all_closed_pks.1 <- findPeaks(all_closed_ts, thresh=1)</pre>
plot(all_closed_ts[all_closed_pks.1])
all_closed_peaks1 <- as.data.frame(all_closed_ts[all_closed_pks.1]) |>
 rownames to column("Dates") |>
 dplyr::mutate(Treatment = "Closed")
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all_closed_peaks1
#how many peaks per year?
peak per y closed <- length(all closed peaks1$abnd)/nyears(all closed ts)</pre>
peak_per_y_closed
#average peak magnitude (in number of individuals per year)
all_peak_mean_closed <- mean(all_closed_peaks1$abnd)</pre>
all_peak_mean_closed
#peak standard deviation
all_peak_sd_closed <- sd(all_closed_peaks1$abnd)</pre>
all_peak_sd_closed
#peak CV
all_peak_CV_closed <- all_peak_sd_closed/all_peak_mean_closed
all_peak_CV_closed
all_closed_summary <- cbind("Peaks per year:",peak_per_y_closed,</pre>
                           "average peak magnitude: ", all_peak_mean_closed,
                           "peak standard deviation:", all_peak_sd_closed,
                           "peak CV:", all_peak_CV_closed)
all_closed_summary
all closed peaks1$year<-as.numeric(format(as.POSIXct(all closed peaks1$Dates),"%Y"))
all_closed_peaks1
all_year_closed <- min(as.numeric(</pre>
  format(as.POSIXct(all_closed$Date),"%Y"))):max(as.numeric(
    format(as.POSIXct(all_closed$Date),"%Y")))
all_year_closed
all_years_closed <- as.data.frame(all_year_closed)</pre>
all_years_closed
all_peak.sum_closed <- all_closed_peaks1 |>
  group_by(year) |>
  summarise(mean.peak=mean(abnd), count=n())
all peak.sum closed
all_peak.number_closed <- merge(all_years_closed, all_peak.sum_closed,
                                 by.x="all_year_closed",
                                 by.y="year",
                                 all.x=TRUE)
all_peak.number_closed
all_peak.number_closed[is.na(all_peak.number_closed)] <- 0</pre>
all_peak.number_closed
all_peak.number.lm_closed <- lm(scale(count)~scale(all_year_closed),</pre>
                                 data = all_peak.number_closed)
all_lmsum.number_closed <- summary(all_peak.number.lm_closed)</pre>
all_lmsum.number_closed
all_peak.number.slope_closed <- all_peak.number.lm_closed$coefficients[2]
all_peak.number.slope_closed
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all_peak.number.p_closed <- all_lmsum.number_closed$coefficients[2,4]</pre>
all_peak.number.p_closed
all_peak.magnitude.lm_closed <- lm(scale(abnd)~ scale(year),
                                   data = all_closed_peaks1)
all_lmsum.mag_closed <- summary(all_peak.magnitude.lm_closed)</pre>
all_lmsum.mag_closed
all peak.magnitude.slope closed <- all peak.magnitude.lm closed$coefficients[2]
all peak.magnitude.slope closed
all_peak.magnitude.p_closed <- all_lmsum.mag_closed$coefficients[2,4]
all_peak.magnitude.p_closed
dev.off()
all_biota <- data_biota |>
  dplyr::mutate(Treatment = stringr::str_to_title(Treatment),
                Treatment = fct_relevel(Treatment, c("Open", "Closed")))
all_biota
all_biota_graph <- ggplot(all_biota, aes(x = Date,</pre>
                          y = abnd,
                          linetype = Treatment,
                          color = Treatment,
                          fill = Treatment)) +
  geom_line(size = 1.5) +
  scale_color_manual(values=c("purple", "grey20")) +
  geom_point(data = all_open_peaks1, aes(x = as.POSIXct(Dates), y = abnd),
             colour='black', fill = "grey60", size=6, shape = 21) +
  geom_point(data = all_closed_peaks1, aes(x = as.POSIXct(Dates), y = abnd),
             colour='black', fill = "grey30", size=6, shape = 24) +
  labs(x = "Year", y = "Abundance") +
  theme_bw() +
  theme(axis.text.x= element_text(angle= 0, size = 14, vjust = 0.2),
        axis.text.y= element_text(size = 14),
        axis.title.x = element_text(size = 18),
        axis.title.y = element_text(size = 18),
        legend.title = element_text(size = 14),
        legend.text = element_text(size = 12),
        strip.text = element_text(size = 12))
all_biota_graph
# Open
all_peak.number.graph_open <- ggplot(all_peak.number_open,
                                     aes(x = all_year_open,
                                         y = count)) +
  geom_point(color='darkslategrey',size=4) +
  geom_smooth(method = "lm", se = TRUE, color="darkslategrey") +
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labs(x = "Year", y = "Number of peaks", title = "Open") +
  theme bw() +
  theme(axis.text.x= element_text(angle= 0, size = 14, vjust = 0.2),
        axis.text.y= element_text(size = 14),
        axis.title.x = element_text(size = 18),
        axis.title.y = element_text(size = 18),
        legend.title = element_text(size = 14),
        legend.text = element text(size = 12),
        strip.text = element_text(size = 12))
all_peak.number.graph_open
all peak.mag.graph open <- ggplot(data = all open peaks1,
                                  aes(x = year,
                                      y = abnd)) +
  geom_point(color = 'darkslategrey', size=4) +
  geom_smooth(method = "lm", se = TRUE, color="darkslategrey")+
  labs(x = "Year", y = "Number of Individuals", title = "Average peak magnitude (Open)") +
  theme_bw() +
  theme(axis.text.x= element_text(angle= 0, size = 14, vjust = 0.2),
        axis.text.y= element_text(size = 14),
        axis.title.x = element_text(size = 18),
        axis.title.y = element_text(size = 18),
        legend.title = element_text(size = 18),
        legend.text = element_text(size = 16),
        strip.text = element_text(size = 12))
all_peak.mag.graph_open
# Closed
all_peak.number.graph_closed <- ggplot(all_peak.number_closed,</pre>
                                       aes(x = all_year_closed,
                                           y = count)) +
  geom_point(color='darkslategrey',size=4) +
  geom_smooth(method = "lm", se = TRUE, color="darkslategrey") +
  labs(x = "Year", y = "Number of peaks", title = "Closed") +
  theme_bw() +
  theme(axis.text.x= element_text(angle= 0, size = 14, vjust = 0.2),
        axis.text.y= element_text(size = 14),
        axis.title.x = element_text(size = 18),
        axis.title.y = element_text(size = 18),
        legend.title = element_text(size = 14),
        legend.text = element_text(size = 12),
        strip.text = element_text(size = 12))
all_peak.number.graph_closed
all_peak.mag.graph_closed <- ggplot(data = all_closed_peaks1,</pre>
                                    aes(x = year,
                                        y = abnd)) +
  geom_point(color = 'darkslategrey', size=4) +
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geom_smooth(method = "lm", se = TRUE, color="darkslategrey")+
  labs(x = "Year", y = "Number of Individuals", title = "Average peak magnitude (Closed)") +
  theme_bw() +
  theme(axis.text.x= element_text(angle= 0, size = 14, vjust = 0.2),
        axis.text.y= element_text(size = 14),
        axis.title.x = element_text(size = 18),
        axis.title.y = element_text(size = 18),
        legend.title = element text(size = 14),
        legend.text = element_text(size = 12),
        strip.text = element_text(size = 12))
all_peak.mag.graph_closed
all_graphs <- ggpubr::ggarrange(all_biota_graph,</pre>
                                ggarrange(
                                all_peak.number.graph_open,
                                all_peak.mag.graph_open,
                                all_peak.number.graph_closed,
                                all_peak.mag.graph_closed,
                                ncol = 2,
                                labels = c("B", "C", "D", "E")),
                                nrow = 3.
                                labels = "A")
all_graphs
all_biota_peaks <- ggarrange(all_peak.number.graph_open,</pre>
                        all peak.mag.graph open,
                        all_peak.number.graph_closed,
                        all_peak.mag.graph_closed,
                        ncol=2,
                        nrow=2,
                        labels = c("B", "C", "D", "E"))
ggarrange(all_biota_graph, all_biota_peaks, ncol=1, nrow=2, labels = "A")
\#ggsave("02\_figures/20240313\_YSS\_biota\_abnd.png", h = 35, w = 30, units = "cm", dpi = 500)
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