

Linking forest management and species distribution models: a theoretical approach under climate change

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1 What is going on?

Climate change, obviously

What is climate change?

Impacts of climate change (species range)

But also climate debit

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What is climate debit?

where and how it happens?

Impacts of climate debit (diversity, conservation, productivity?)

2 What to do?

Increase forest resilience! But what is it exactly? (paper: Building evolutionary resilience for conserving biodiversity under climate change) Try and discuss this aspect in different perspectives.

Present some motivations, advantages and disadvantages in considering forest management.

Interesting argument about who should peak do winners from Webster et al. (2017). They say that *Predict-and-prescribe management may erode diversity by focusing on ‘winners’*.

Forest management in a theoretical view was actually not very much explored and so I consider it a kind of gap we should better explore. Read Becknell et al. (2015) for an overview.

3 Study case: the Quebec forest resource

Explain here where I am going to work and also why I am choosing this area.

4 How to do?

Read the section *recent developments in predicting changes in species distribution* from Ehrlén and Morris (2015)

Range dynamics theory

What theories can help us to describe species range under climate change?

How to integrate forest management in this theory?

Species Interaction: why is it important?

Explain the role species interaction can play on its distribution range.

5 How to do it?

Here we see a briefly presentation of possible methods will be used in the thesis.

Modeling

Why and how modeling?

Integral Projection Models

I should be writing and not playing with L^AT_EX

Bayesian approach

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6 Thesis structure

The first part of the thesis will be a general introduction in French where I will probably use a part of this document and present the big picture of my thesis.

The first chapter will try to answer the question *Can forest management increase forest resilience to climate change?*. The paper will work with an analytical and sensitivity analysis in a metapopulation dynamics model to understand the impact of forest management on increasing forest resilience.

In the second chapter I am going to build a landscape model that will consider both forest management and species interaction.

The third chapter I am going to build another model but in a local scale. *I have to find a good biological reason for that.*

The fourth chapter will then integrate both landscape and local model into one. Here I will also track the uncertainty of the model by bayesian approach.

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