

Christmas_Island_probabilistic_approach

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In this document, we define the species interaction network for the Town region on Christmas Island. Then we perform the probabilistic modeling approach and species' response to different management perturbations are pooled.

1. Define the species interaction network

We define the Christmas Island Town network by the species present, the interactions between them, and the signs of these interactions. The function `initialise_foodweb` returns a `DiagrammeR` graph object, storing information of the network structure (nodes and edges) as dataframes (i.e. NDF: node data frame, and EDF: edge data frame). The network can be quickly plotted using function `render_graph()` from package `DiagrammeR` for a quick check of network structures. For a neat plot, use function `foodweb_neat_plot()`.

```
spp_list = c(
  'cat',
  'rat',
  'crab',
  'goshawk',
  'hawkOwl',
  'tropicBird',
  'flyingFox',
  'feralChicken',
  'kestrel',
  'groundCultivars',
  'canopyCultivars',
  'diurnalInsectResources',
  'nocturnalInsectResources'
)

positive_edges_list = list(
  'cat' = c('tropicBird', 'flyingFox', 'diurnalInsectResources', 'feralChicken', 'rat'),
  'rat' = c('tropicBird', 'groundCultivars', 'canopyCultivars', 'diurnalInsectResources', 'nocturnalInsectResources'),
  'crab' = c('groundCultivars'),
  'goshawk' = c('rat', 'tropicBird', 'diurnalInsectResources', 'feralChicken'),
  'hawkOwl' = c('rat', 'nocturnalInsectResources'),
  'flyingFox' = c('canopyCultivars'),
  'feralChicken' = c('diurnalInsectResources'),
  'kestrel' = c('rat', 'diurnalInsectResources')
)

negative_edges_list = list(
  'cat' = c('cat'),
  'rat' = c('rat', 'cat', 'crab', 'goshawk', 'hawkOwl', 'kestrel'),
  'crab' = c('crab'),
  'goshawk' = c('goshawk'),
  'hawkOwl' = c('hawkOwl'),
  'tropicBird' = c('tropicBird', 'cat', 'rat', 'goshawk'),
  'flyingFox' = c('flyingFox', 'cat'),
  'feralChicken' = c('feralChicken', 'cat', 'rat', 'goshawk'),
  'kestrel' = c('kestrel'),
```

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'groundCultivars'= c('groundCultivars', 'crab', 'rat'),
'canopyCultivars'= c('canopyCultivars', 'flyingFox', 'rat'),
'diurnalInsectResources'= c('diurnalInsectResources', 'cat', 'rat', 'goshawk', 'feralChicken', 'kes
'nocturnalInsectResources'= c('nocturnalInsectResources', 'rat', 'hawkOwl')
)

unmonitored_spp_list = c(
  'crab',
  'kestrel',
  'groundCultivars',
  'canopyCultivars',
  'diurnalInsectResources',
  'nocturnalInsectResources')

unmonitored_spp_list_sim = c(
  'cat',
  'rat',
  'feralChicken',
  'crab',
  'kestrel',
  'groundCultivars',
  'canopyCultivars',
  'diurnalInsectResources',
  'nocturnalInsectResources')

control_list = c('cat','rat')

ambig_edges_list = list(
  list('rat'= c('crab')),
  list(
    'rat'= c('kestrel'),
    'kestrel'= c('rat')
  )
)
# Remove interactions between rat and kestrel, which indicates the ambiguous links
# between these two species were kepted or removed together. However, there could
# be cases that the bidirectional link were considered as two ambiguous links respectively,
# In such case, the two links will not be wrapped together, and thus they could be treated
# respectively.
)

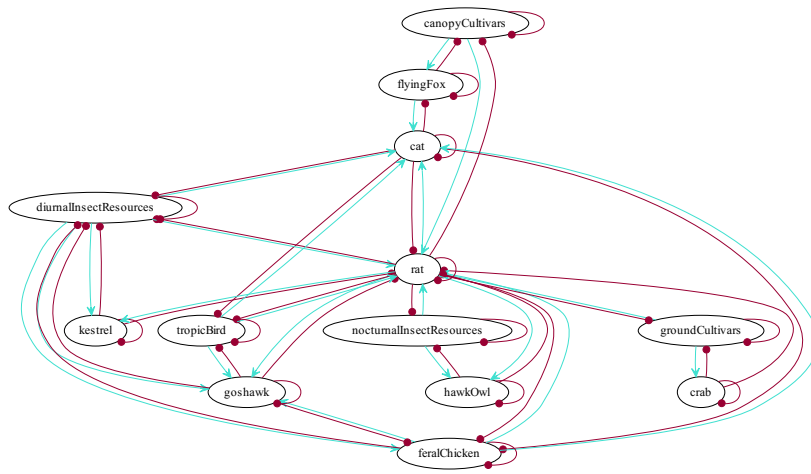
```

Initialise the full Town network.

```

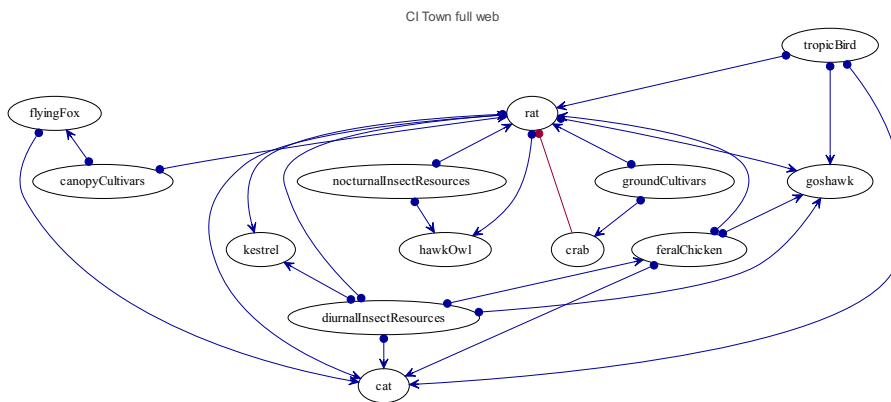
full_web <- initialise_foodweb(positive_edges_list, negative_edges_list)
render_graph(full_web) # for a quick plot

```



Get a neat plot of the full Town network.

```
foodweb_neat_plot(full_web, title = "CI Town full web")
```



Using the function *qualitative_community_matrix*, we can convert the interaction network into a qualitative community matrix (Mq), and get two named vectors *labelToIndex* and *indexToLabel* to map species labels (i.e. names) to indices of matrix and vice versa.

```
output <- qualitative_community_matrix(full_web)
Mq <- output$Mq
Mq
```

```
##      [,1] [,2] [,3] [,4] [,5] [,6] [,7] [,8] [,9] [,10] [,11] [,12] [,13]
## [1,]  -1   0   0   0   0  -1   0   0   0   0   0   -1   0
## [2,]   0  -1   0   1   1   1   0   0   0   0   0   1   1
## [3,]   0   0  -1   0   0   0   0   1   0   0   0   0   0
## [4,]   0  -1   0  -1  -1   0  -1   0   0  -1   0  -1   0
## [5,]   0  -1   0   1  -1   0  -1   0   0   0   0  -1   0
## [6,]   1  -1   0   0   0  -1   0   0   0   0   0   0   0
## [7,]   0   0   0   1   1   0  -1   0   0   0   0   1   1
## [8,]   0   0  -1   0   0   0   0  -1   0   0   0  -1   0
## [9,]   0   0   0   0   0   0   0   0  -1   0   1   1   0
## [10,]  0   0   0   1   0   0   0   0   0  -1   0   1   0
## [11,]  0   0   0   0   0   0   0   0  -1   0  -1  -1   0
## [12,]  1  -1  -1   1   1   0  -1   1  -1  -1   1  -1   1
## [13,]  0  -1   0   0   0   0  -1   0   0   0   0  -1  -1
```

```
labelToIndex <- output$labelToIndex
indexToLabel <- output$indexToLabel
```

```
unname(indexToLabel[10])
```

```
## [1] "kestrel"
```

```
unname(labelToIndex["kestrel"])
```

```
## [1] 10
```

Get following vectors: - *spp_list_idx* represents indices of species in *spp_list* in order.. - *control_list_idx* represents indices of pest species in *control_list* in order. - *monitored_spp_list_sim* is a vector of species being monitored in the probabilistic approach. - *monitored_spp_idx_sim* represents indices of species in *monitored_spp_list_sim*.

```
spp_list_idx <- unname(labelToIndex[spp_list])
control_list_idx <- unname(labelToIndex[control_list])
```

```
monitored_spp_list_sim <- spp_list[!spp_list %in% unmonitored_spp_list_sim]
monitored_spp_idx_sim <- unname(labelToIndex[monitored_spp_list_sim])
```

2.The probabilistic approach: randomly sampling perturbation responses

The following *for* loop run simulations to collect species responses. To save time in this illustration, we run 10^5 times of simulations.

Ambiguous links are removed randomly from the network, which results in different network structures. Modelling outcomes of different network structures are pooled. All the simulation outcomes are stored in a list *collectedResponses*.

```
set.seed(178)
```

```
nSim <- 10000
```

```
collectedResponses = list()
```

```
sz <- dim(Mq)
```

```
n <- length(Mq)
```

```

noAmbig <- length(ambig_edges_list)

start_time <- Sys.time()

for (i in 1: nSim){

  selectAmbig <- as.logical(rbinom(noAmbig, 1, runif(1))) # randomly select ambig.links to remove

  if (all(!selectAmbig)) {

    Mq = Mq

  } else {

    ambig_df<-
      ambig_edges_list[selectAmbig] %>%
      melt() %>%
      setNames(., c("labelfrom", "labelto", "list")) %>%
      mutate_if(is.factor, as.character)

    dropEdge <- cbind(unname(labelToIndex[ambig_df[, "labelto"]]), unname(labelToIndex[ambig_df[, "labelfrom"]]))
    Mq[dropEdge] <- rep(0, nrow(ambig_df)) # set those dropped links as 0s.

  }

  valid <- FALSE

  while (!valid) {

    # find a random community matrix that is stable
    maxEig = 1

    while (maxEig > 0) {

      M = matrix(runif(n), sz[1], sz[2]) * Mq
      maxEig <- max(Re(eigen(M, symmetric=FALSE, only.values=TRUE)$values))

    }

    # Now have a valid stable matrix, find the sensitivity matrix
    Sq <- -solve(M)

    # check validation criteria: the pest respond negatively to management
    control_easy_cat = (Sq[labelToIndex['cat'],labelToIndex['cat']] > 0)
    control_easy_rat = (Sq[labelToIndex['rat'],labelToIndex['rat']] > 0)
    valid <- all(control_easy_cat, control_easy_rat)

  }

  #Now have a valid stable community matrix
  response <- vector()

  for (ps in control_list_idx) {

    resp <- ifelse(-Sq[monitored_spp_idx_sim, ps] < 0, "neg", "pos")
  }
}

```

```

        response <- append(response, resp)
    }

    collectedResponses[[i]] <- response
}

end_time <- Sys.time()
time_elapsed = end_time - start_time
print(time_elapsed)

## Time difference of 11.7671 secs

Convert the list collectedResponses storing simulation outcomes into a dataframe df_responses.
df_responses <- do.call(rbind, collectedResponses) %>% as.data.frame() %>% mutate_if(is.factor, as.character)

colnames <- unlist(lapply(control_list, function(x) paste0(x, "_", monitored_spp_list_sim)))
colnames(df_responses) <- colnames
head(df_responses,3) # check the dataframe.

##   cat_goshawk cat_hawkOwl cat_tropicBird cat_flyingFox rat_goshawk
## 1         pos         neg         pos         pos         neg
## 2         pos         neg         pos         pos         pos
## 3         pos         neg         pos         pos         pos
##   rat_hawkOwl rat_tropicBird rat_flyingFox
## 1         neg         neg         pos
## 2         neg         pos         pos
## 3         neg         neg         neg

```

3. Aggregate outcomes for different managements

Aggregate outcomes for cat management only.

```

df_cat_resp <- df_responses %>%
  select(., starts_with("cat"))
count_cat <- sapply(df_cat_resp, table)
count_cat

```

```

##   cat_goshawk cat_hawkOwl cat_tropicBird cat_flyingFox
## neg        534        5001         3228         1486
## pos       9466        4999         6772         8514

```

Aggregate outcomes for the combined cat and rat management.

```

combined_resp_list <- list()

for (sp in monitored_spp_list_sim){

  # For each species, combine its response to cat and response to rat in each of the simulations.
  combined_response <-
    cbind(select(df_responses, contains(sp))) %>%
    apply(., 1 , paste , collapse = "&" )

  combined_resp_list[[length(combined_resp_list)+1]] <- combined_response
}

```

```

df_combined_resp <-
  do.call(cbind, combined_resp_list) %>%
  as.data.frame()

colnames_combined_df <- unlist(lapply(monitored_spp_list_sim, function(x) paste0('cr_', x)))
colnames(df_combined_resp) <- colnames_combined_df

lvls_cr <- c('pos&pos', 'pos&neg', 'neg&pos', 'neg&neg')
df_combined_resp[] <- lapply(df_combined_resp, factor, levels=lvls_cr)

count_cr <- sapply(df_combined_resp, table)
count_cr

```

```

##          cr_goshawk cr_hawkOwl cr_tropicBird cr_flyingFox
## pos&pos         5052         1674          5217          6045
## pos&neg         4414         3325          1555          2469
## neg&pos          427         3149          2725          1485
## neg&neg          107         1852           503           1

```