

The COMPADRE and COMADRE population matrix databases



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Outline

- What are matrix models?
- Why are they useful?
- COMPADRE & COMADRE
- Where do our data come from?
- How do we digitise it?
- How do we distribute it?

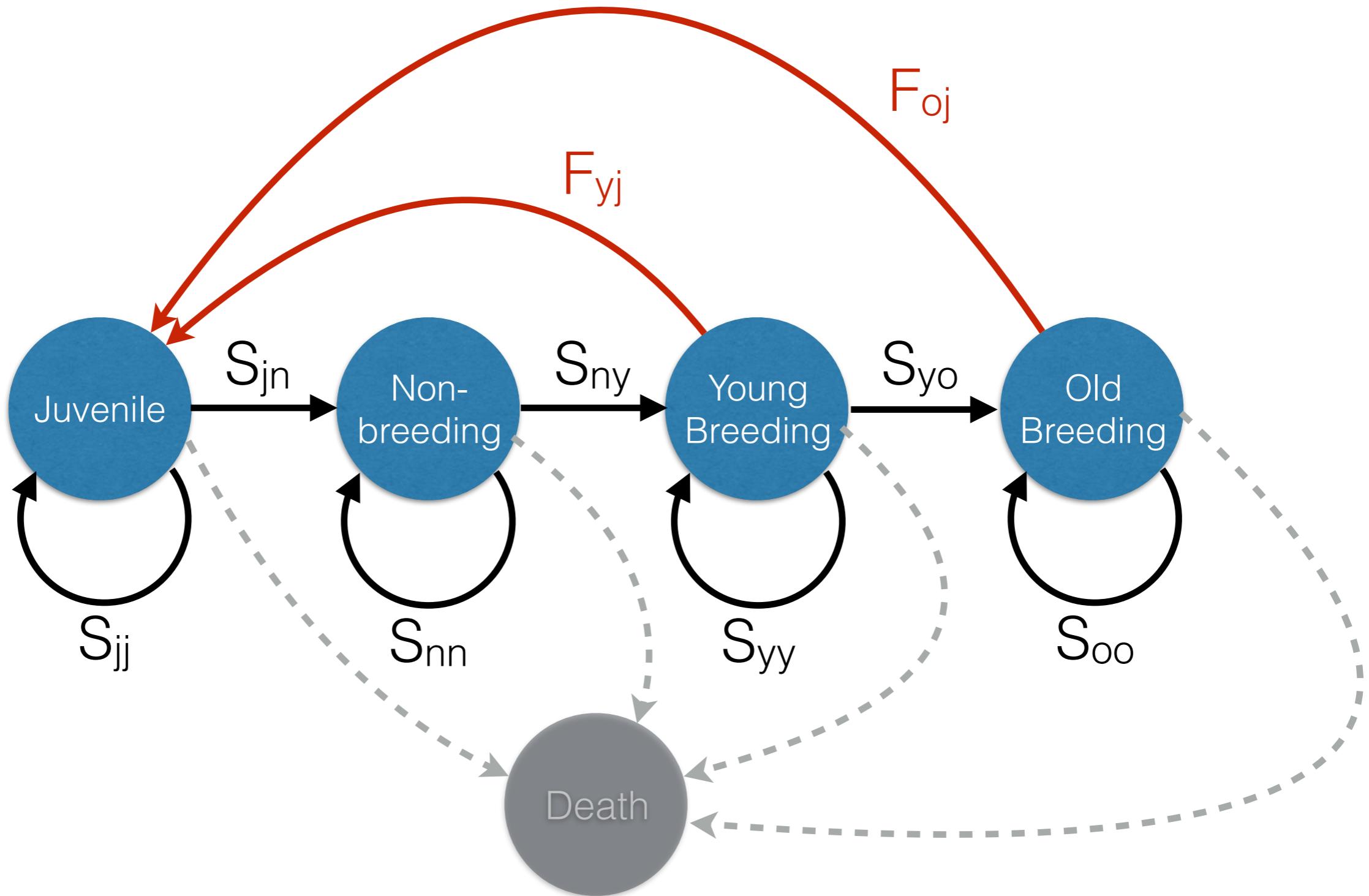
What are matrix models?

Mathematical models describing a life cycle of a species in a particular location/population.

- Probabilities of progression from stage-to-stage in a time step (usually a year).
- Probability of death in a time step.
- Number of offspring produced in a time step.



What are matrix models?



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transition matrix

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} S_{jj} & 0 & F_{yj} & F_{oj} \\ S_{jn} & S_{nn} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & S_{ny} & S_{yy} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & S_{yo} & S_{oo} \end{bmatrix}$$

population
vector

$$n = \begin{bmatrix} j \\ n \\ y \\ o \end{bmatrix}$$

$$n_{t+1} = \mathbf{A}n_t$$

$$n_t = \mathbf{A}^t n_0$$

What are matrix models?

transition matrix

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} 0.5 & 0 & 2.9 & 1.6 \\ 0.3 & 0.4 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0.6 & 0.5 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0.2 & 0.3 \end{bmatrix}$$

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What are they used for?

- Population analysis

- Species management
- Species conservation
- e.g. “*What is the future fate of populations in the face of future climate change?*”
- “*Which stages are most important for conservation purposes?*”

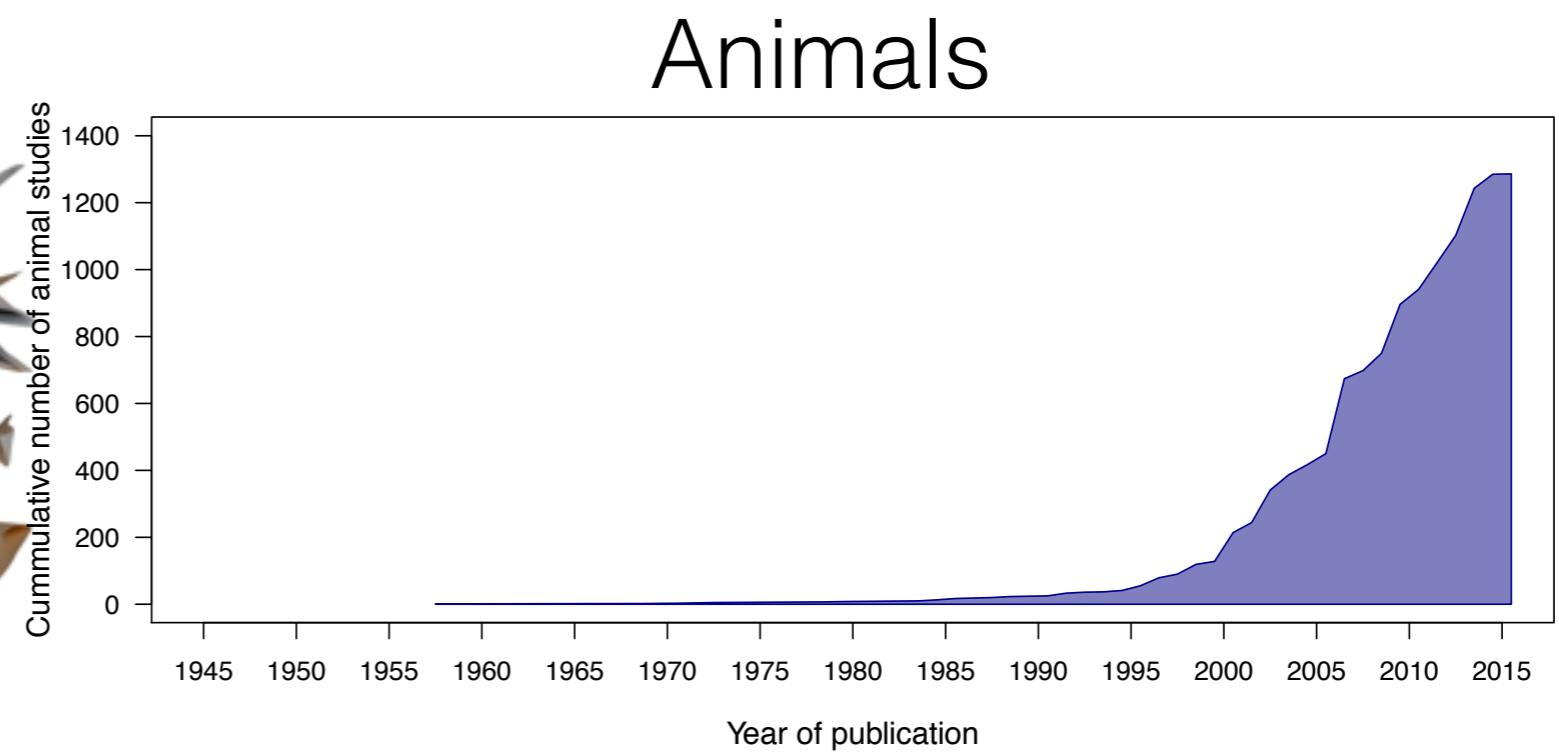
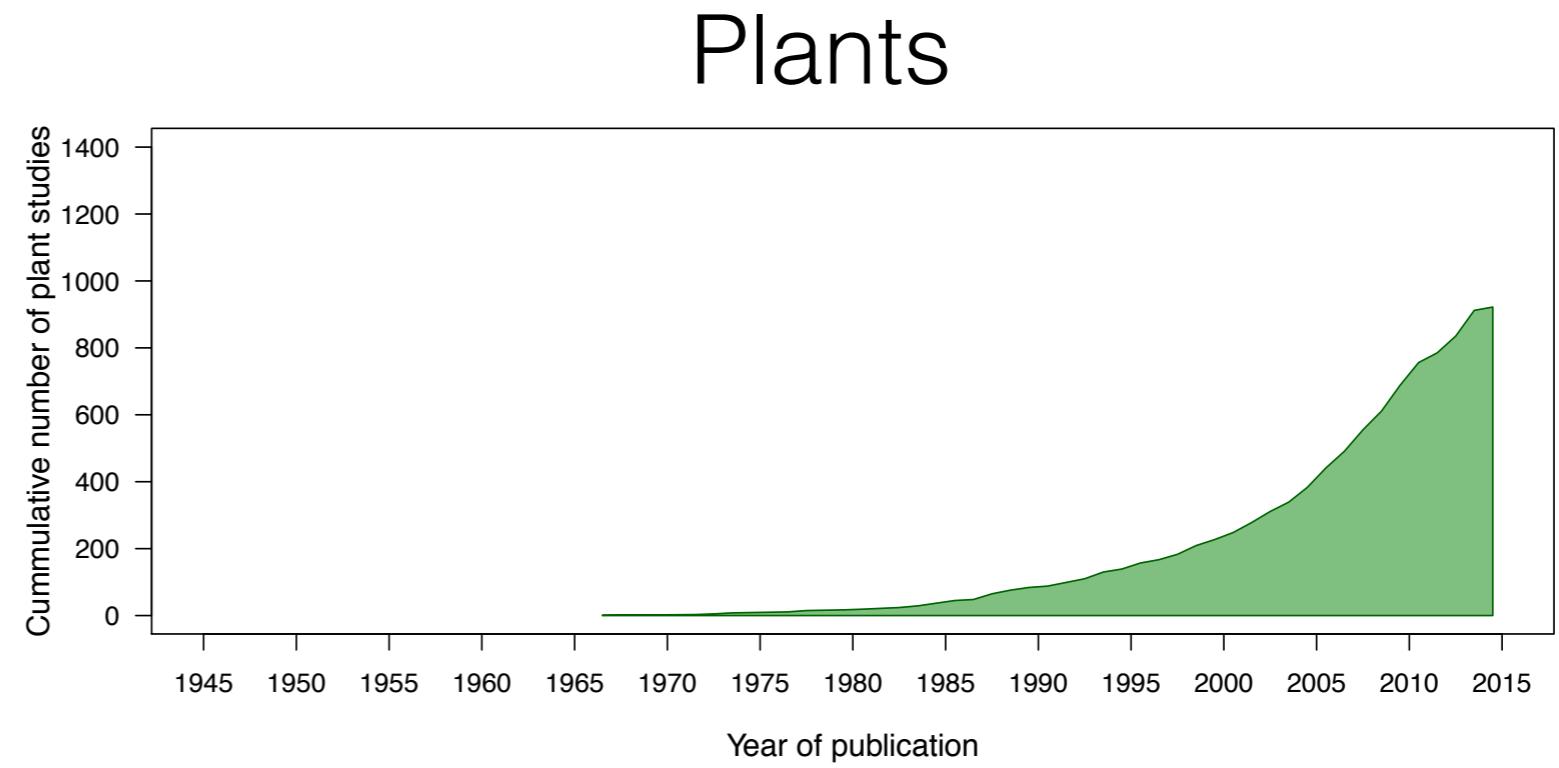
- Evolution of ageing

- e.g. “*Is senescence inevitable?*”

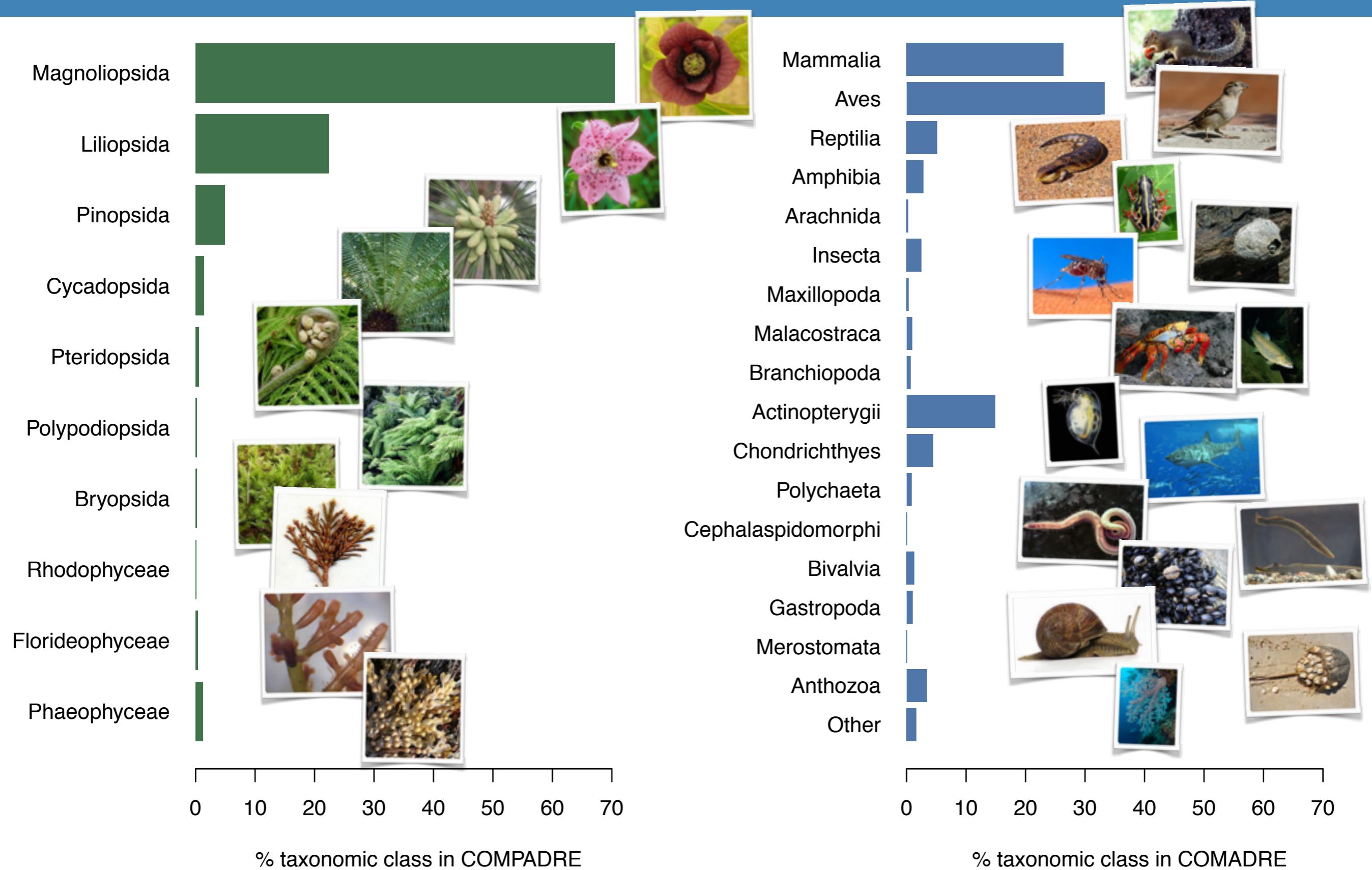


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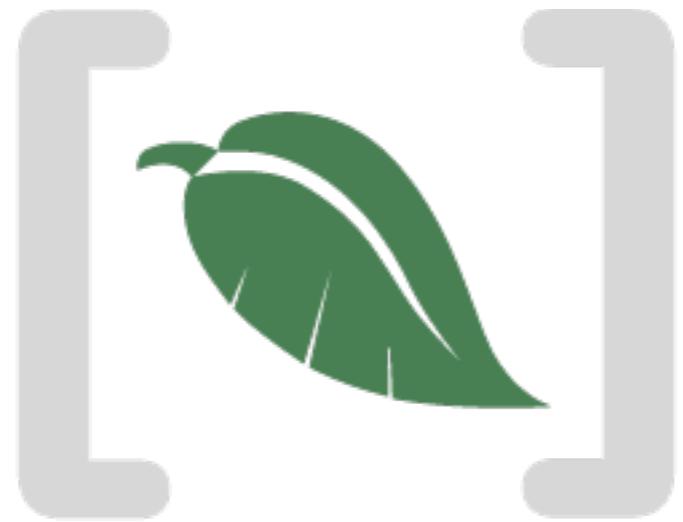
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COMPADRE and COMADRE



COMPADRE
Plant Matrix Database



COMADRE
Animal Matrix Database

Some history



1990-2000: Miguel Franco & Jonathan Silvertown

- “mean control matrices” for ~100 plant species

COMPADRE 1.0



COMPADRE 2.0

2011-now: Roberto Salguero-Gómez & Owen Jones

- Mean and individual matrices for 1000 plant species
- Covariates including location, taxonomy, growth form, etc.

COMPADRE 3.0

2011-now: Salguero-Gómez and Jones

- Animal matrices, from bears to bugs
- 1300 species in 900 publications

COMADRE 1.0

How do we digitise it?

The “Compadrinos”



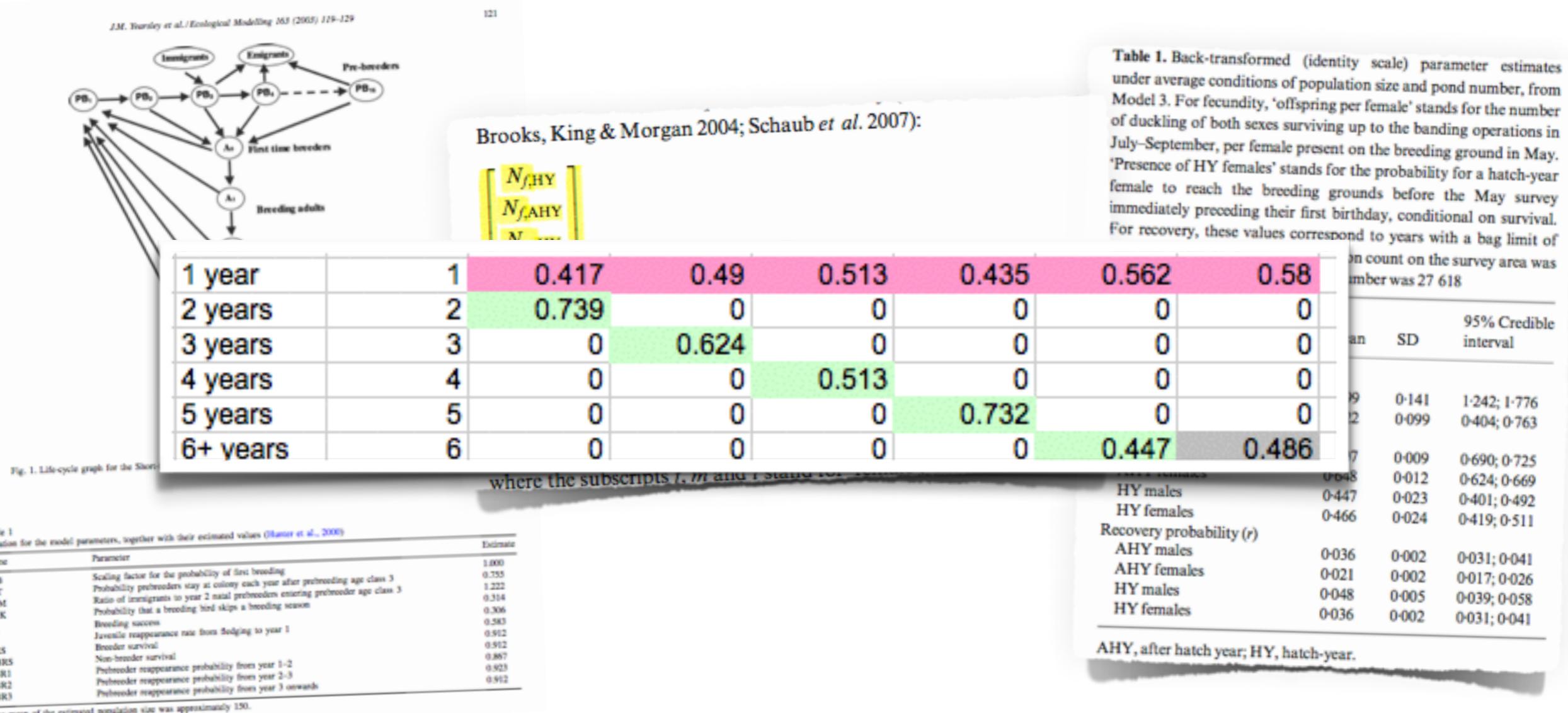
How do we digitise it?

- Conduct literature searches for PDFs based on citation matches for key literature - Google Scholar, Scopus, Web of Science.
- Read PDFs, extract matrices.
- Check data.
- Resolve problems with authors.



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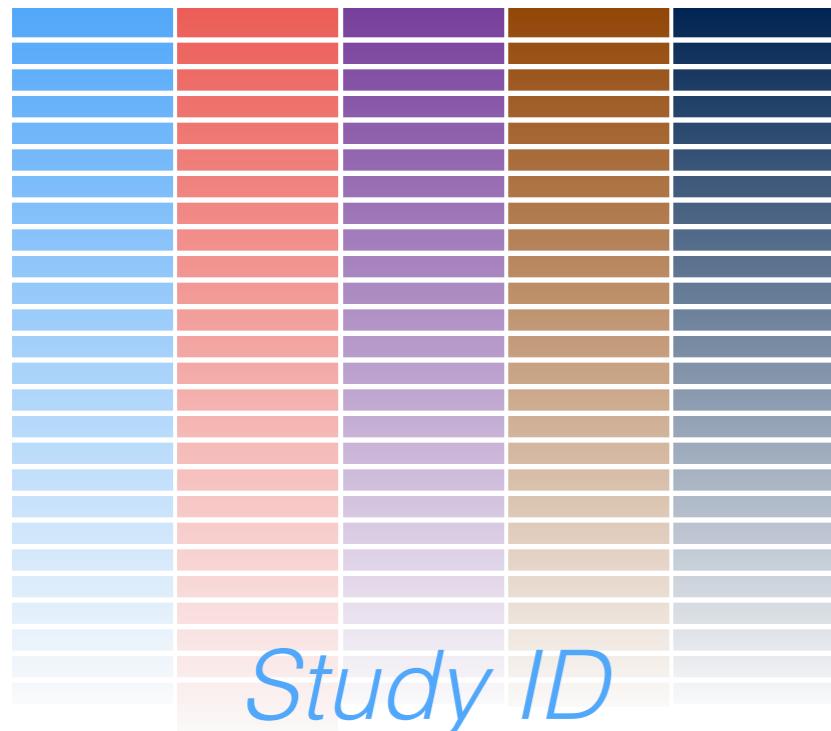
Although matrices are standard mathematical objects...



... their presentation is highly variable.

How do we digitise it?

Study metadata



Source info.

Species

Taxonomy

Growth form

Geo-location

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Matrix metadata & matrices



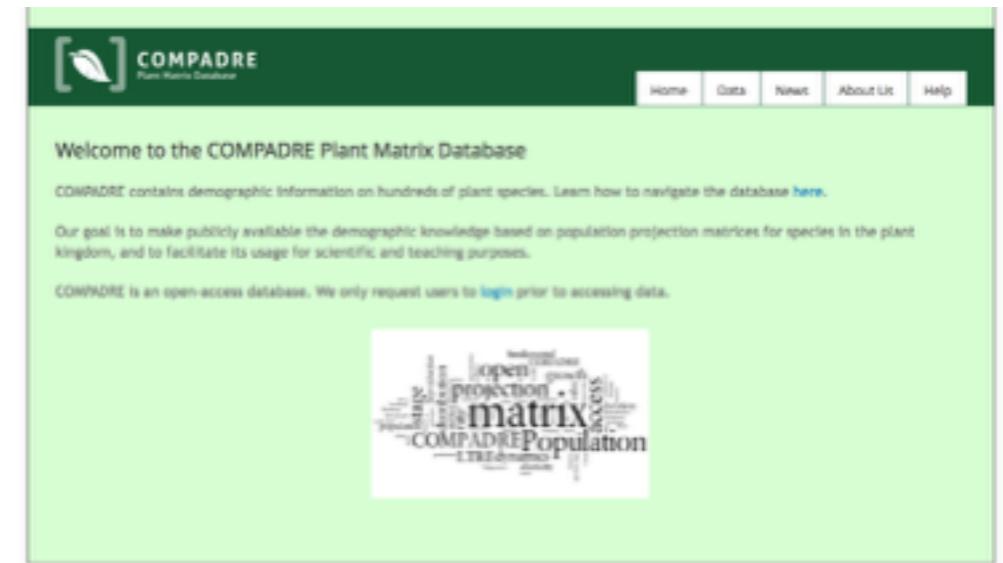
Problems

- Envisioned, and spent a year working on a complicated database, but our guru dropped out due to illness.
- Now it is much simpler - just CSV!
- Excel problems!
 - Color coding is a silly idea.
 - Size limit (number of rows).
 - Excel performs poorly with huge shared files.
- Errors in the papers.
- Legal/ethical issues - can we distribute the data?
- Delays at every stage! (original release date Sept. 2013)

1 year	1	0.417	0.49	0.513	0.435	0.562	0.58
2 years	2	0.739	0	0	0	0	0
3 years	3	0	0.624	0	0	0	0
4 years	4	0	0	0.513	0	0	0
5 years	5	0	0	0	0.732	0	0
6+ years	6	0	0	0	0	0.447	0.486

How do we distribute it?

- Until now: email/Dropbox distribution on request.
- Online database abandoned for now :(
- Solution: two CSV files
 - (1) metadata; (2) “stacked” matrices.
 - .RData list object with scripts.
 - Updated every few months.
- Open access, but requires registration.



www.compadre-db.org

Output

Leader	Coauthors	Project title	Status	Description
Franco	Silvertown	Plant demography: what do we know?	Published	Evol Trends Plants 1990
Silvertown	Franco & McConway	A demographic interpretation of Grime's triangle	Published	Funct Ecol 1992
Silvertown	Franco & McConway	The eternal triangle - an attempt at reconciliation	Published	Funct Ecol 1993
Silvertown	Franco	Plant demography and habitat: a comparative approach	Published	Plant Spp Biol 1993
Silvertown	Franco, Pisanty & Mendoza	Comparative plant demography - relative importance of life-cycle comp	Published	J Ecol 1993
Enright	Franco & Silvertown	Comparing plant life histories using elasticity analysis: the importance o	Published	Oeco 1995
Franco	Silvertown	On trade-offs, elasticities and the comparative method: a reply to Shea,	Published	J Ecol 1994
Franco	Silvertown	Life history variation in plants: an exploration of the fast-slow continuu	Published	Phil Trans Biol Sci 1996
Silvertown	Franco & Menges	Interpretation of elasticity matrices as an aid to management of plant p	Published	Cons Biol 1996
Silvertown	Franco & Perez-Ishiwara	Evolution of senescence in iteroparous perennial plants	Published	Evol Ecol Res 2001
Franco	Silvertown	A comparative demography of plants based upon elasticities of vital rat	Published	Ecol 2004
Salguero-Gomez	Casper	Keeping plant shrinkage in the demographic loop	Published	J Ecol 2010
Salguero-Gomez	de Kroon	Matrix projection models meet variation in the real world	Published	J Ecol 2010
Salguero-Gomez	Plotkin	Matrix dimensions bias demographic inferences: implications for compa	Published	Am Nat 2010
Salguero-Gomez	Siewert, Casper & Tielborger	A demographic approach to study effects of climate change in desert pl	Published	Phil Trans Royal Soc B 2012
Burns	Blomberg, Crone, Ehrlén, Knight, Pichancourt, Ramula, Stott, Buckley, Townsley & Hodgson	Empirical tests of life-history evolution theory using phylogenetic analys	Published	J Ecol 2010
Stott	Franco, Carslake, Townsley & Hodgson	Boom or burst? A comparative analysis of transient population dynamic	Published	J Ecol 2010
Buckley	Ramula, Blomberg, Burns, Crone, Ehrlén, Knight, Pichancourt, Salguero-Gomez, Jones, Wrycza, Mbeau-Ache, Franco	Causes and consequences of variation in plant population growth rate: a framework for studying transient dynamics of population projection in plants	Published	Ecol Lett 2010
Stott	Townsley & Hodgson	A framework for studying transient dynamics of population projection in plants	Published	Ecol Lett 2011
Crone	Menges, Ellis, Bell, Bierzychudek, Ehrlén, Kaye, Knight, Salguero-Gomez, Jones, Wrycza, Mbeau-Ache, Franco	How do plant ecologists use matrix population models?	Published	Ecol Lett 2011
Baudisch	Salguero-Gomez, Jones, Wrycza, Mbeau-Ache, Franco	The pace and shape of senescence in angiosperms	Published	J Ecol 2013
Caswell	Salguero-Gomez	Age, stage, and senescence in plants	Published	J Ecol 2013
Mbeau-Ache, Univ Plymouth, cyril.mbeauache@uq.edu.au	Franco	The time distribution of reproductive value measures the pace of life	Published	J Ecol 2013
van de Kerk, Nijmegen	de Kroon, Conde & Jongejans	Carnivore population dynamics are as slow and as fast as that of other r	Published	PLOS One 2013
Jones, MaxO, jones@biology.sdu.dk	Scheuerlein, Salguero-Gomez, Camarda, Schaalje, Pringle	Varieties of ageing across the tree of life	Published	Nature 2014
Adler, USU, peter.adler@usu.edu	Salguero-Gomez, Compagnoni, Hsu, Mukherjee-Ray, Ai	Functional traits explain variation in plant history strategies	Published	PNAS 2013
Salguero-Gomez, UQ, r.salguero@uq.edu.au	Jones, Jongejans, Mbeau-Ache, Scheuerlein, Zuidema, J	Axes of plant demography: a global perspective	In preparation	Exploration of the general re
Salguero-Gomez, UQ, r.salguero@uq.edu.au	Jones, Che-Castaldo, Conde, Colchero, Scheuerlein, Bai	COMPADRE III: a database for comparative plant demography	In preparation	Introduction of the database
Coutts, UQ, s.coutts@uq.edu.au	Salguero-Gomez, Buckley	Are life history similarities predicted more strongly by species or location?	In preparation	Try and predict dissimilarity
Che-Castaldo, SESYNC, jchecastaldo@sesync.org	Neel	Predicting extinction risk based on species life history traits	In preparation	Quantifying relationships be
Conde, USD, dalia@biology.sdu.dk	Jones, Salguero-Gomez, Gaillard, Devillard, Lebreton, S	DSKo: a demographic index of species knowledge for the world vertebrates	In preparation	Demographic knowledge acr
Cohen, Sherbrooke Univ, aacohen1.bus@gmail.co	Salguero-Gomez, Jones, Scheuerlein	Systemic physiological constraints: A new evolutionary theory of aging	In preparation	TBA
Csergo, UBC, csergo@mail.ubc.ca	Angert & Salguero-Gomez	Plant livelihood in time across geographic ranges	In preparation	Testing if plant demography
Salguero-Gomez, UQ, r.salguero@uq.edu.au	Burns & Buckley	Size plasticity allows herbaceous perennials to slow down senescence	In preparation	Testing the role of size plasti
Salguero-Gomez, UQ, r.salguero@uq.edu.au	Compagnoni, Hsu, Colchero, Wrycza, Jones, Baudisch, J	Testing Finch's hypothesis: the role of plant modularity on the escape of	In stand-by	Phylogenetic correlations of
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Jones, MaxO, jones@biology.sdu.dk	Salguero-Gomez	Life and death in the garden: mortality and recruitment trajectories in p	In stand-by	Follow up to axes of senesce
Violle, CNRS Montpellier, cyrille.violle@cefe.cnrs	Salguero-Gomez, Freville, Lebreton	NA	Brainstorming	Predicting species' distributi
Salguero-Gomez, UQ, r.salguero@uq.edu.au	Lind, Borer, Seabloom, Buckley, NutNet	Influence of demographic resilience in plant response to eutrophication	Brainstorming	Leveraging population matr
Petry, UCI, wpety@uci.edu	NA	Sexual dimorphism in plant life history and its consequences for popula	Brainstorming	Investigating sex-specific dif
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Salguero-Gomez, UQ, r.salguero@uq.edu.au	Lebreton	Role in plant population dynamics	Not yet started	The relationship between Ro
Hodgson, Univ Exeter, d.j.hodgson@ex.ac.uk	Stott, Townly, Franco & Salguero-Gomez	Grant proposal: Critical reappraisal fo the demographic buffering hypoth	In preparation	Using Compadre and Comad
Hodgson, Univ Exeter, d.j.hodgson@ex.ac.uk	Stott & McDonald	RAID (Rapid Assessment of Invasive Demography)	PhD project	Seeking demographic correli
Thomson	Jarrod + others	Natural selection and parent-offspring conflict	In preparation	Using existing data we estim
Franco, Univ Plymouth, m.franco@plymouth.ac.u	Mbeau-Ache	An empirical evaluation of directionality theory	In preparation	TBA
Bullock, UK CEH, jmbul@ceh.ac.uk	Hofftman, White & Gilbert	Comparative spread rates of plant species: combining demography and	In preparation	Combining our database of p
Jones, MaxO, jones@biology.sdu.dk	Salguero-Gomez, Dahlgren et al.	Variation in demographic trajectories	In stand-by	Exploring the issue of spatial
Burger, MPIDR/Kent burger@demogr.mpg.de	Jones, Scheuerlein	Revisiting Charnov's invariant quantities using projection matrix and life	In stand-by	We use the comparative me
Baudisch, MPIDR baudisch@demogr.mpg.de	Salguero-Gomez, Jones, Wrycza, ..., Colchero	Two axes of ageing: pace and shape	In preparation	Testing hypothesis of pace a
Baudisch, MPIDR baudisch@demogr.mpg.de	Salguero-Gomez, Jones, Wrycza, ..., Colchero	Relation between pace and shape depending on life history parameters	Brainstorming	Putting confidence bands an
Baudisch, MPIDR baudisch@demogr.mpg.de	Salguero-Gomez, Jones, Wrycza, ..., Colchero	Exploring Determinants of Pace and Shape in the Plant Kingdom	Brainstorming	Would require connection o
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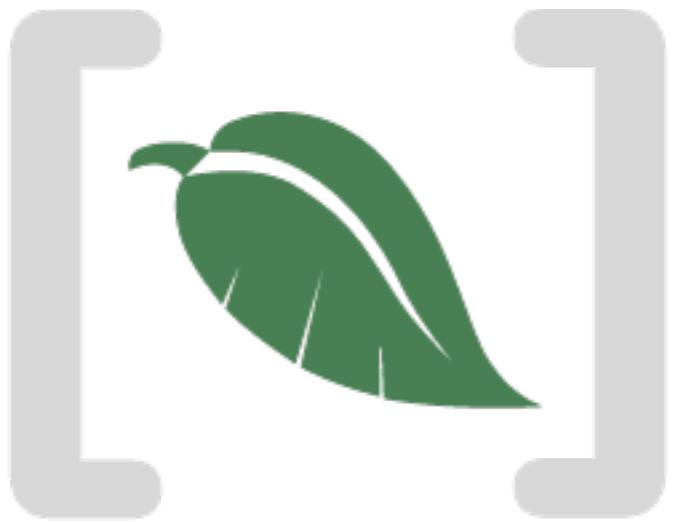
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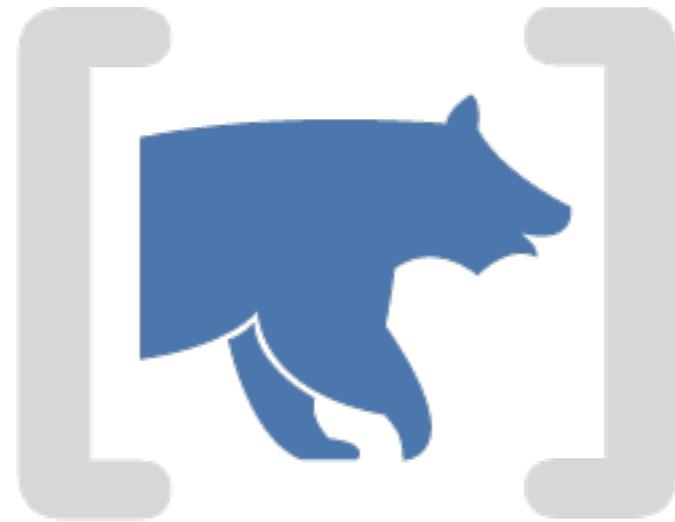
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