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Landscape Agroecology and ecosystem services

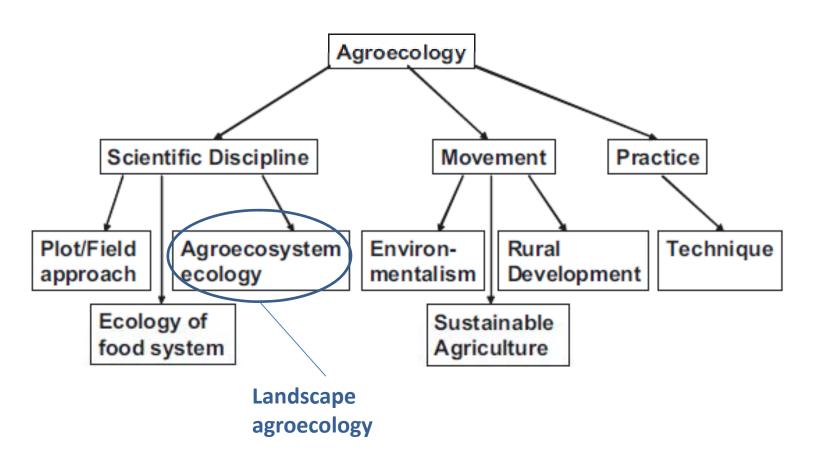
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Seminar with Dr. Miguel Altieri, Professor of Agroecology at UC Berkeley organized by the Agroecology group of the SAD division. February 1st 10h00 - 17h00 ENGREF, 19 avenue du Maine PARIS XVième

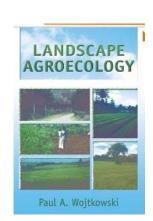


Landscape agroecology



« Landscape agroecology: ecology of a productive countryside »

- Interaction between human-derived, managed, and/or –influenced ecosystems
- Interaction between those that yield useful output and neighboring natural and nonproducing ecosystems



2004

See also Dalgaard 2009

Links with landscape ecology

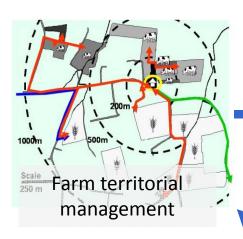
• 1) the understanding of how the functioning of farming systems within a landscape drive spatiotemporal landscape patterns, hence part of ecological processes **AND**

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- 2) how the design of farming systems at individual farms and sets of farms can foster the management of ecological processes, hence of natural resources.
- Landscape: spatial organization produced by a society to manage natural ressources

Farming systems:

Decisions, practices, transformations



Contribution of farming practices to landscape organization, impact on biodiversity...

Delivered service:

Biological regulation

Landscape as a resource (stock and changes)



Delivered service: biological corridor, biodiversity conservation...



Biodiversity as a resource (stock and changes)

Local commu
Delivered service: nities

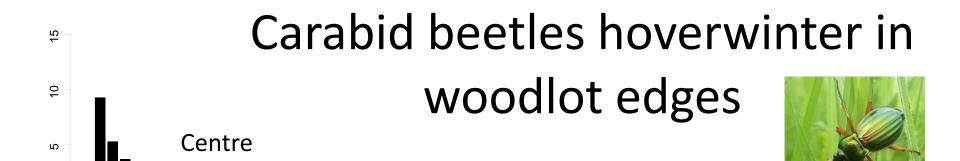
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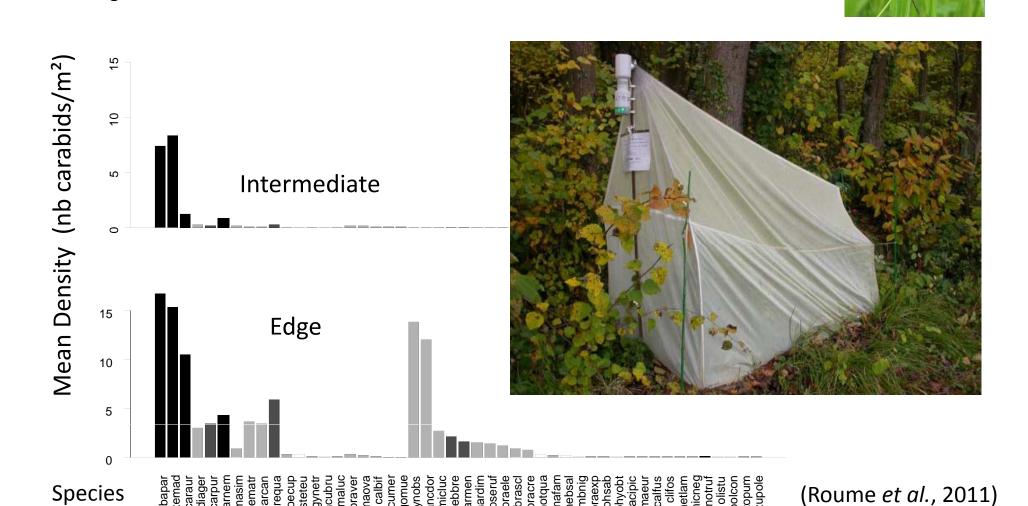
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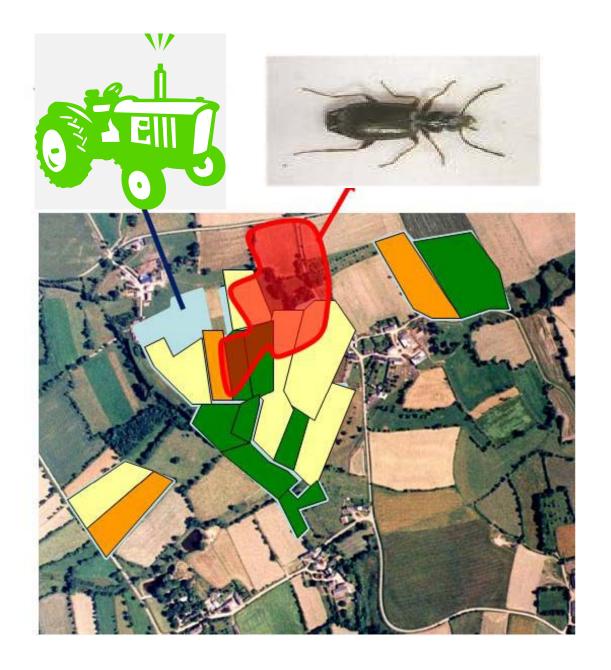
Synergies, antagonisms?

Hot issues

- Plant & animal movements between habitats.
 Where do they come from?
- Ecological vs management levels of organization: which is the best level for agroecology?
- Multiple services/multiple managers: how to get a compromise for landscape agroecological engineering?







See also =>

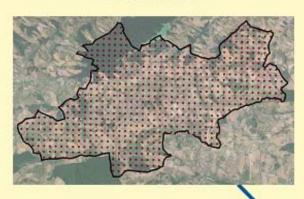
Pelosi, C., Goulard, M. and Balent, G. 2010. The spatial scale mismatch between ecological processes and agricultural management: Do difficulties come from underlying theoretical frameworks? Agriculture Ecosystems & Environment **139(4)**: 455-462

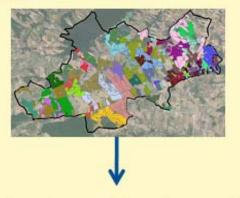
Birds and farming systems

Agronomical data 34 interviewed farms

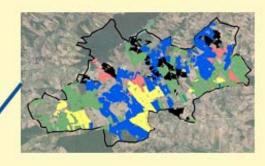
Ecological data

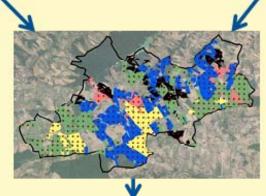
A grid of point counts to record birds





A typology of farming systems in 5 modalities





Few links between Farming systems and bird populations

Bonthoux S. et al.

Landscapes: levels and scales

- Modifications in farms have consequences at landscape level:
 - can be difficult to deduce consequences at landscape level from modifications at the farm level
- Availability of spatial data needs careful methods
- Uncertainty of (spatial) ecological models

Landscape agroecological engineering

- How to use and modify landscape structures to improve ecosystem services?
- Policy & regulation of land management
- Must consider the social & technical limits and opportunities
 - Local cultural rules
- Involve people (farmers, foresters, land managers...):
 - As producers of patterns that influence biodiversity at different scales
 - As managers who adapt their practices according to landscape structure



Landscapes change

- Slowly for their structure and global pattern
- Rapidly for their land covers (rotation of crops)
- They have (small) components that play key roles
- How to identify them?



Models: tools to study landscapes as complex changing ecological systems

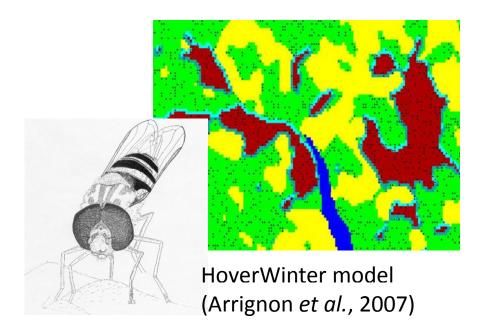
- Realistic models (ex: Multi agent models)
- Spatialy explicit/ availability of spatial data
- --> In silico landscape

Companion modeling (Commod)

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Long term and integrated socioecological studies (LTER)

- Detailed analysis of processes
- History
- Scenario
- Participative research
- Interdisciplinarity
- Comparative studies:
 - Networks: LTER-Europe, ILTER, ZA, ...

Gascony:
Hills & Valleys
of Gascony

Brittany:
Pleine fougères

