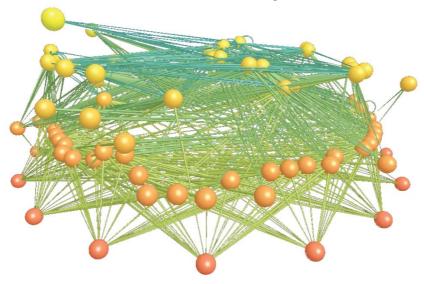
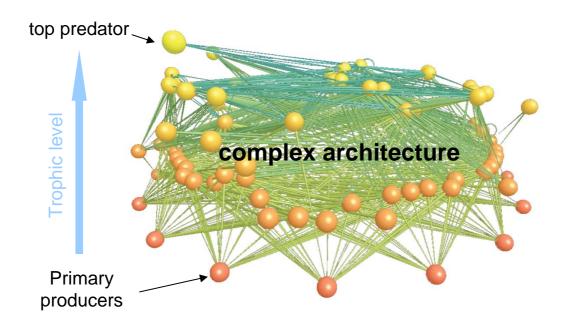
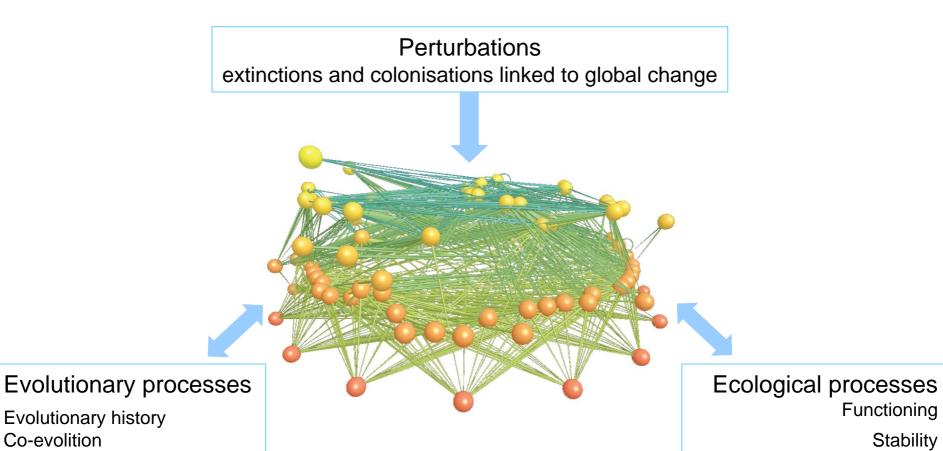
Interaction network and interaction type

structural aspects





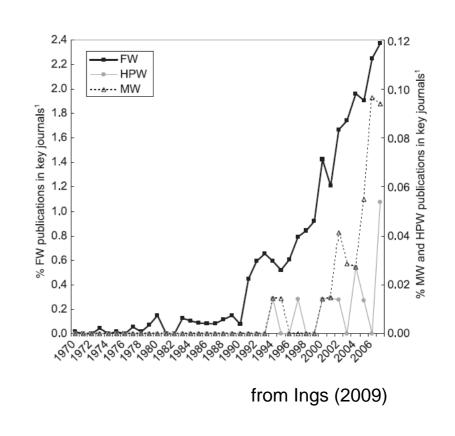


Functioning

Stability

Different type of interaction networks

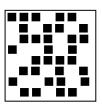
- Trophic networks
 - predator prey
 - plant herbivore
- Parasitic networks
 - host parasite
 - host parasitoid
- Mutualistic networks
 - plant pollinator
 - plant seed disperser
 - plant ant
 - anemone fish

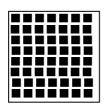


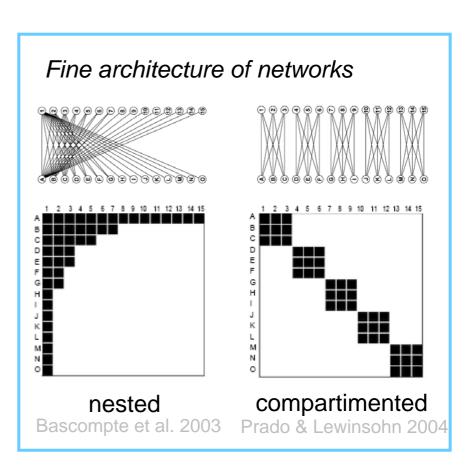
Do all these networks have similar architecture?

Network structure

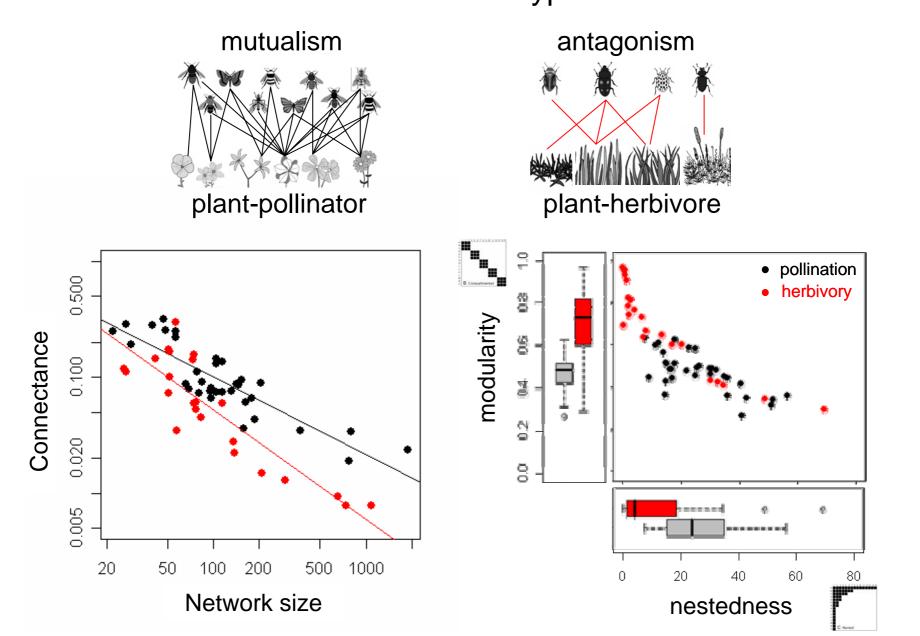
Connectance: number of observed interactions / number of possible interactions if all species interact together





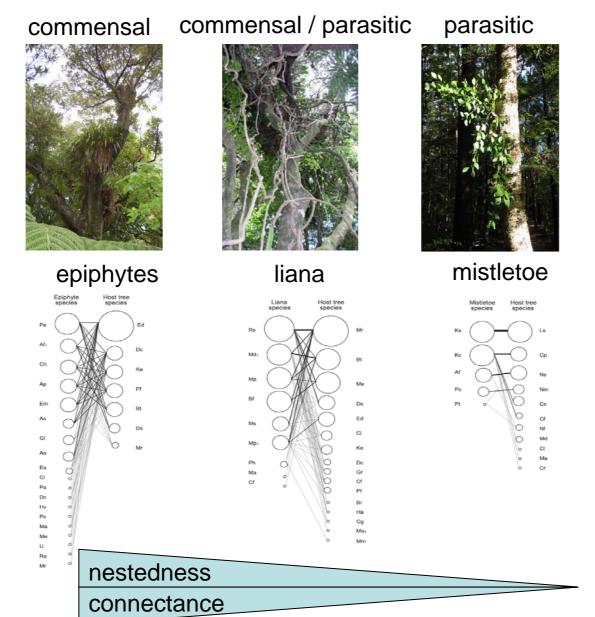


Comparing pollination and herbivory webs Interaction type



Comparing plant-plant networks

Interaction type



Blick et al. (2009)

Comparing plant-ant networks

Interaction intimacy in mutualistic networks

intimacy

symbiotic ants

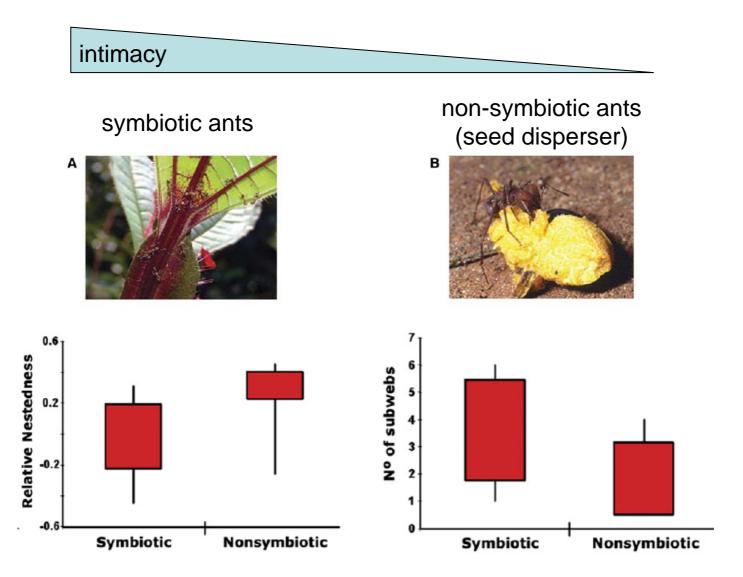


non-symbiotic ants (seed disperser)



Comparing plant-ant networks

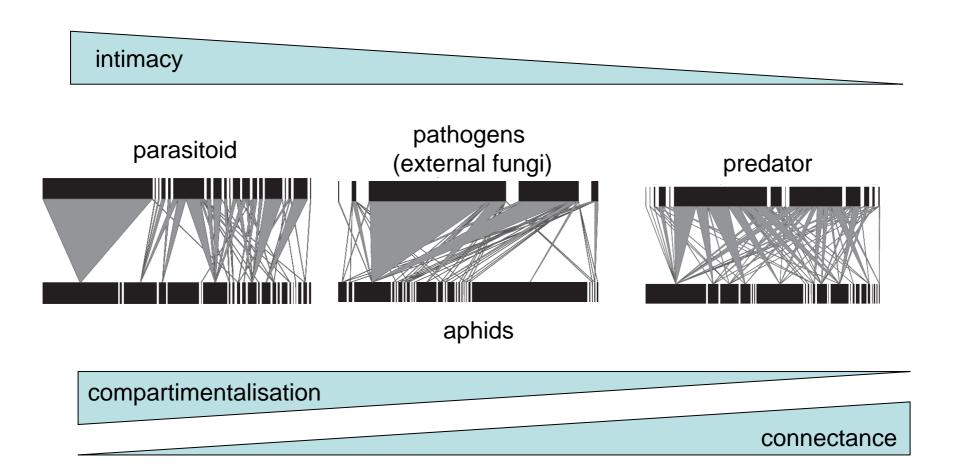
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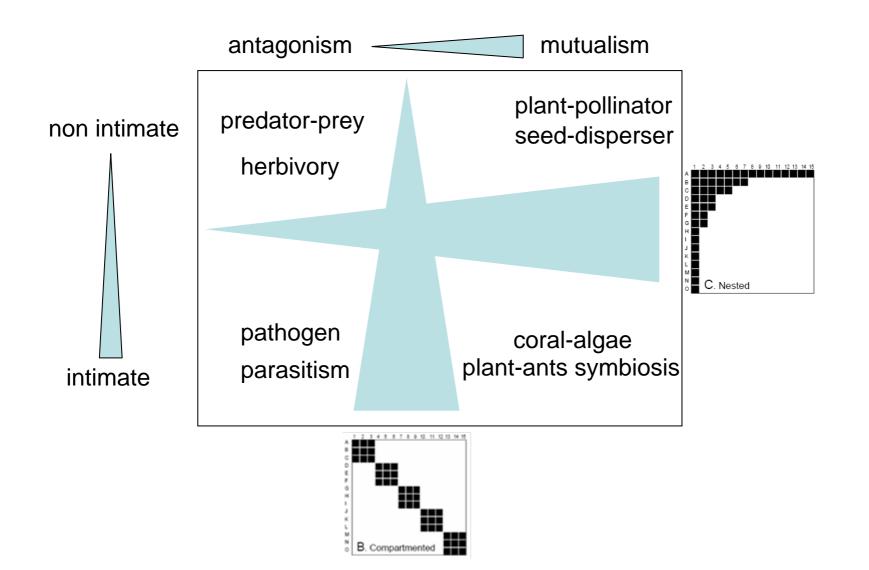
Guimaraes et al. (2007)

Comparing aphid-natural enemies networks

Interaction intimacy in antagonistic networks



Impact of interaction type and intimacy on network structure



What are the ecological implications of such contrasted network architecture?

How to merge these different types of interactions in a "complete" network?

What are the evolutionary implications of these different interaction types and network structures?