

Supplementary Information - Supporting Data

Title: An energetics-based honeybee nectar-foraging model used to assess the potential for landscape-level pesticide exposure dilution

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Estimates of attack-rate for clover and oilseed rape

Clover

Data from (Goodwin et al. 2011)

MathCad code:

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flDensity := 2808           flPerSec :=  $\frac{3.79}{11.33}$       h := 1.215      handling time per floret (s)

GF(alpha) := (flPerSec) -  $\left( \alpha \cdot \frac{\text{flDensity}}{1 + \alpha \cdot \text{flDensity} \cdot h} \right)$ 

alpha := 0.0001

acalc := root(GF(alpha), alpha)

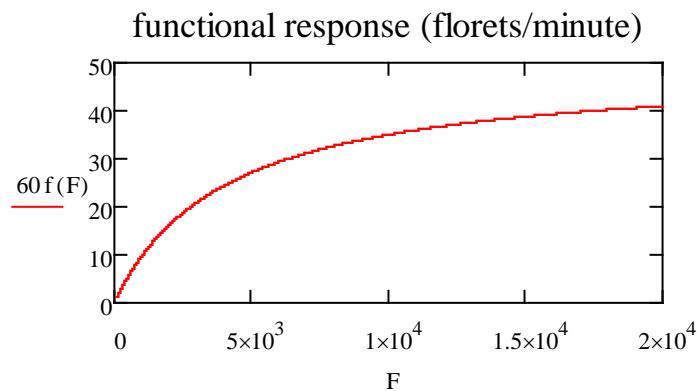
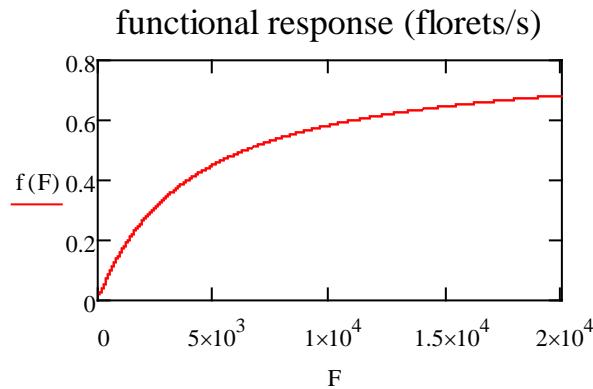
acalc =  $2.007 \times 10^{-4}$ 

f(F) := acalc  $\cdot \frac{F}{(1 + acalc \cdot F \cdot h)}$       functional response (florets per second)

F := 100..20000

 $\frac{1}{h} = 0.823$       asymptotic value functional response

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$$f(2808) = 0.335$$

Oil-seed rape

Own experiment 2015 (September)

Open flower density: 264 m^{-2}

Measured f (flowers per minute): 9 (± 2 , $n=3$); 15 (± 2 , $n=5$); average: 12.

Handling time per flower h (s): 4.1 (Free & Nuttall 1968)

MathCad code:

$$flPerSec := \frac{12}{60} \quad flDensity := 264 \quad h := 4.1 \quad \text{handling time per flower (s)}$$

$$GF(\alpha) := (flPerSec) - \left(\alpha \cdot \frac{flDensity}{1 + \alpha \cdot flDensity \cdot h} \right)$$

$$\alpha := 0.0001$$

$$a_{\text{calc}} := \text{root}(GF(\alpha), \alpha)$$

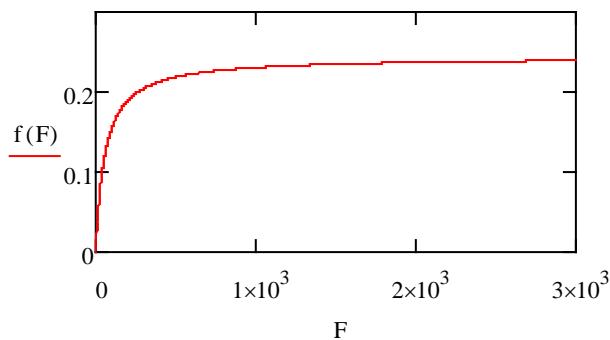
$$a_{\text{calc}} = 4.209 \times 10^{-3}$$

$$f(F) := a_{\text{calc}} \cdot \frac{F}{(1 + a_{\text{calc}} \cdot F \cdot h)} \quad \text{functional response (flowers per second)}$$

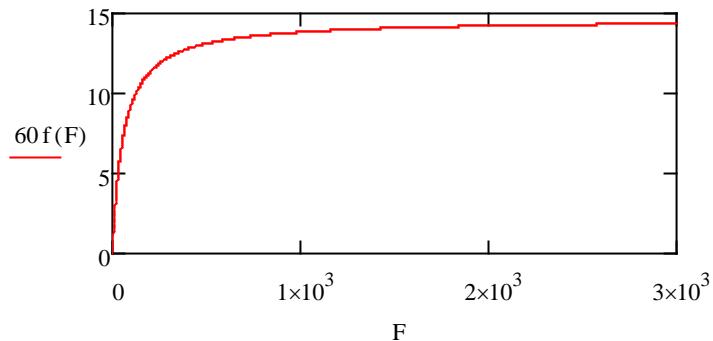
$$F := 0..3000$$

$$\frac{1}{h} = 0.244 \quad \text{asymptotic value functional response}$$

functional response (flowers/s)



functional response (flowers/minute)



$$f(flDensity) = 0.2$$

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