

## Appendix 2

R code to simulate natural resource management in the presence of conflict, lobbying and non-compliance.

Below we provide an annotated R script that can be used to replicate the simulations presented in this study.

The only R package required to run a simulation is *GMSE* (Duthie et al. 2018).

```
require('GMSE')
```

The following values can be varied to test the effect of target, budget, decision-making bias and user compliance on management outcome:

```
M.TGT = 1000      # Manager target
U.TGT = 0         # User target
C.TGT = 2000     # Conservationist target

MB = 10000       # Manager budget

decision.bias = 0 # Decision bias level
user.compliance = 0 # User compliance level

nsteps = 10      # Number of time steps
minc = 10        # Minimum cost of an action
```

The following functions define the population growth model, the observation model, lobbying pressure by users and conservationists, and illegal harvesting pressure by users.

```
### Population growth model
pop_model <- function(X,
```

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        K,
        ig){
  Xn <-
round((X*K*exp(rnorm(1,ig,ig/10)))/(K+X*(exp(rnorm(1,ig,ig/10))-1)))
  return(Xn)
}

### Observation model

obs_model <- function(resource_vector){
  X_obs <- resource_vector
  return(X_obs)
}

### Conservation lobbying function

ClobbyingF <- function(bias_level,
                       conservation_target,
                       population_size){
  if (population_size > conservation_target){
    res <- 0
  }
  else{
    res <- (((1-
bias_level)+1)^(1/conservation_target))^(conservation_target-
population_size))-1
  }
  return(res)
}

### User lobbying function

UlobbyingF <- function(bias_level,
                       user_target,
                       population_size,
                       carrying_capacity){
  if (population_size < user_target){
    res <- 0
  }
  else{
    res <- (((1-bias_level)+1)^(1/(carrying_capacity-
user_target))))^(population_size-user_target))-1
  }
  return(res)
}

### Illegal offtake function

IllegalHarvestF <- function(compliance_level,
                             user_target,
                             population_size,
                             carrying_capacity){
  if (population_size < user_target){
    res <- 0
  }
  else{

```

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    res <- (((1-compliance_level)+1)^(1/(carrying_capacity-
user_target)))^(population_size-user_target))-1
  }
  return(res)
}

```

Population parameters are set to:

```

Kk = 2000          # Wildlife population carrying capacity
rmax = 0.2        # Wildlife population intrinsic growth
rate

```

The code below runs one management iteration of `nsteps` time steps under user lobbying for given values of `M.TGT`, `U.TGT`, `C.TGT`, `MB`, `decision.bias`, `user.compliance` and `minc` specified above. All other values appearing in the calls to `gmse_apply` not defined above are default values as described in <sup>1</sup>.

```

# Sample user budget for the set of time steps

UB <- sample(5000:10000,
             size=nsteps,
             replace=T)

# Run initial gmse_apply (the manager calls the genetic algorithm)

sim1 <- gmse_apply(res_mod = pop_model,
                  obs_mod = obs_model,
                  K = Kk,
                  ig = rmax,
                  X = 1000,
                  user_budget = UB[1],
                  minimum_cost = minc,
                  manager_budget = MB,
                  manage_target = M.TGT,
                  scaring = F,
                  culling = T,
                  castration = F,
                  feeding = F,
                  stakeholders = 1,
                  manage_freq = 1,
                  manager_sense = 1,
                  public_land = 0,
                  land_ownership = F,
                  group_think = F,
                  ga_mingen = 200,
                  get_res = "Full")

```

```

# Extract resource abundance
Nt <- sim1$resource_vector

# Extract cost
c.t <- sim1$manager_vector

# Derive quota
q.t <- floor(UB[1]/c.t)

# Maximum possible quota given user budget
max.q <- floor(UB[1]/minc)

# Slight correction to Kk in the case that stochasticity overshoots
the
# carrying capacity
CC <- ifelse(Nt>Kk,Nt+1,Kk)

# Derive probability of unregulated harvest
phi.t <- UlobbyingF(bias_level = decision.bias,
                    user_target = U.TGT,
                    population_size = Nt,
                    carrying_capacity = CC)

# Is harvest unregulated?
P.t <- rbinom(n=1,size=1,prob=phi.t)

# If P(t)=0
if (P.t == 0){
  q.prime.t <- q.t
}

# Otherwise...
if (P.t==1){

  # The new quota is then derived as
  q.prime.t <- max.q
}

# Derive maximum possible harvest at minimum cost
max.h.t <- floor(UB[1]/minc)

# If the maximum possible harvest is smaller or equal to the lobbied
quota
# No need to poach as harvesting is unregulated

```



```

sim1$X <- sim1$resource_vector-h.t

#####
### Run through rest of time steps ##
#####

for (time_step in 2:nsteps){

  # Run gmse_apply

  sim_new <- tryCatch(gmse_apply(old_list = sim1,
                                res_mod = pop_model,
                                obs_mod = obs_model,
                                get_res = "Full",
                                user_budget = UB[time_step]),
                    error=function(err) NA)

  if (is.na(sim_new)==T){      # If the resource goes extinct

    # Add results to data.frame

    results[time_step:nsteps,1] <- 0
    results[time_step:nsteps,2] <- 0
    results[time_step:nsteps,3] <- NA
    results[time_step:nsteps,4] <- NA
    results[time_step:nsteps,5] <- NA
    results[time_step:nsteps,6] <- decision.bias
    results[time_step:nsteps,7] <- user.compliance
    results[time_step:nsteps,8] <- time_step:nsteps
    results[time_step:nsteps,9] <- NA

    print("Extinction")

    break

  }

  if (class(sim_new)=="list"){      # If the resource does not go
extinct

    # Extract resource abundance

    Nt <- sim_new$resource_vector

    # Extract cost

    c.t <- sim_new$manager_vector

    # Derive quota

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if (max.h.t <= q.prime.t){
  h.t <- max.h.t
}

else{

  # Slight correction to Kk in the case that stochasticity
overshoots
# the carrying capacity

CC <- ifelse(Nt>Kk,Nt+1,Kk)

# Derive probability of illegal harvest

psi.t <- IllegalHarvestF(compliance_level = user.compliance,
                        user_target = U.TGT,

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        population_size = Nt,
        carrying_capacity = CC)

# Derive illegal harvest based on max harvest and probability
Y.t <- sum(rbinom(n=max.h.t,size=1,prob=psi.t))

if (Y.t==q.prime.t){
  h.t <- q.prime.t
}

else{
  h.t <- max(c(q.prime.t,Y.t))
}

}

# Add results to data frame
results[time_step,1] <- sim_new$resource_vector;
results[time_step,2] <- sim_new$observation_vector;
results[time_step,3] <- q.t
results[time_step,4] <- q.prime.t
results[time_step,5] <- h.t
results[time_step,6] <- decision.bias
results[time_step,7] <- user.compliance
results[time_step,8] <- time_step
results[time_step,9] <- UB[time_step]

# Apply harvest

sim_new$X <- sim_new$resource_vector-h.t;

sim1 <- sim_new

}
}

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Nt <- sim1$resource_vector

# Extract cost

c.t <- sim1$manager_vector

# Derive quota

q.t <- floor(UB[1]/c.t)

# Minimum possible quota

min.q <- 0

# Derive probability of harvest ban

phi.t <- ClobbingF(bias_level = decision.bias,
                  conservation_target = C.TGT,
                  population_size = Nt)

# Is harvest banned?

P.t <- rbinom(n=1, size=1, prob=phi.t)

# If P(t)=0

if (P.t == 0){
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if (P.t==1){
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# Derive maximum possible harvest at minimum cost
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quota
# No need to poach as harvesting is unregulated

if (max.h.t <= q.prime.t){
  h.t <- max.h.t
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  # Slight correction to Kk in the case that stochasticity overshoots
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  # carrying capacity
  CC <- ifelse(Nt>Kk,Nt+1,Kk)

  # Derive probability of illegal harvest
  psi.t <- IllegalHarvestF(compliance_level = user.compliance,
                           user_target = U.TGT,
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                           carrying_capacity = CC)

  # Derive illegal harvest based on max harvest and probability
  Y.t <- sum(rbinom(n=max.h.t,size=1,prob=psi.t))

  if (Y.t==q.prime.t){
    h.t <- q.prime.t
  }

  else{
    h.t <- max(c(q.prime.t,Y.t))
  }
}

# Create results data.frame
results <- matrix(dat = NA, nrow = nsteps, ncol = 9)

```

```

results[1,1] <- sim1$resource_vector; # Number of
resources
results[1,2] <- sim1$observation_vector; # Observed number of
resources
results[1,3] <- q.t # Harvesting quota before
lobbying
results[1,4] <- q.prime.t # Harvesting quota after
lobbying
results[1,5] <- h.t # Harvest after illegal
offtake
results[1,6] <- manager.bias # Manager bias
level
results[1,7] <- user.compliance # User compliance
level
results[1,8] <- 1 #
Time step
results[1,9] <- UB[1] # User
budget

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```

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