

IPM

Integrated Pest Management (Insect/Mite Management)

A pest population management system that anticipates and prevents pests from reaching damaging levels by using economically, environmentally, and socially suitable methods to maintain pest populations below levels that are economically harmful

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The IPM Concept Recognizes

- **No silver bullet**
 - Dependence on any one management method likely will have undesirable effects
 - ✓ Pesticide resistance
 - ✓ Secondary pest outbreaks
 - ✓ Pest resurgence
 - ✓ Unacceptable/ unnecessary economic/ environmental costs
- **Determine and correct the cause of the pest problem**
 - Understanding pest biology and ecology is essential
 - Manipulate the environment to the crop's advantage and to the detriment of the pest
- **Pest eradication is generally not possible and usually not desirable**
 - Some damage is unavoidable and acceptable
 - Low pest populations maintain natural enemy numbers
 - Manage rather than eliminate insect populations

Key IPM concepts:

- Decision making tools:

- Pest/beneficial identification
- Sampling/monitoring
- Economic/action threshold



- Knowledge of pest and crop biology and ecology

- One or more management tactics:

- Cultural
- Chemical
- Biological control

Decision making tools: Pest Identification

Ability to identify pest and beneficial insects: know what to count.

Pest or Beneficial?

Which pest is it?

What stage is it?

Generally need to determine to the species level



Which weevil is most evil?

Sitona spp: short snout, root feeding larvae



Sampling
approaches and
management
options differ

Hypera spp: longer snout, leaf feeding larvae



Decision making tools: Sampling and monitoring (scouting)

- ✓ Increased awareness of insect activity in fields, orchards and fields
- ✓ Provides reliable estimates of:

Presence
Abundance
Distribution

} of pest and beneficial insects



Decision making tools: Sampling and monitoring (scouting)

Make cost effective and environmentally sound insect management decisions

- ✓ When (or if) to apply control measures
- ✓ Apply the right control
- ✓ Avoid pest outbreaks/yield loss
- ✓ Avoid unnecessary treatments
- ✓ Resistance management
- ✓ Did control efforts work?



How to sample

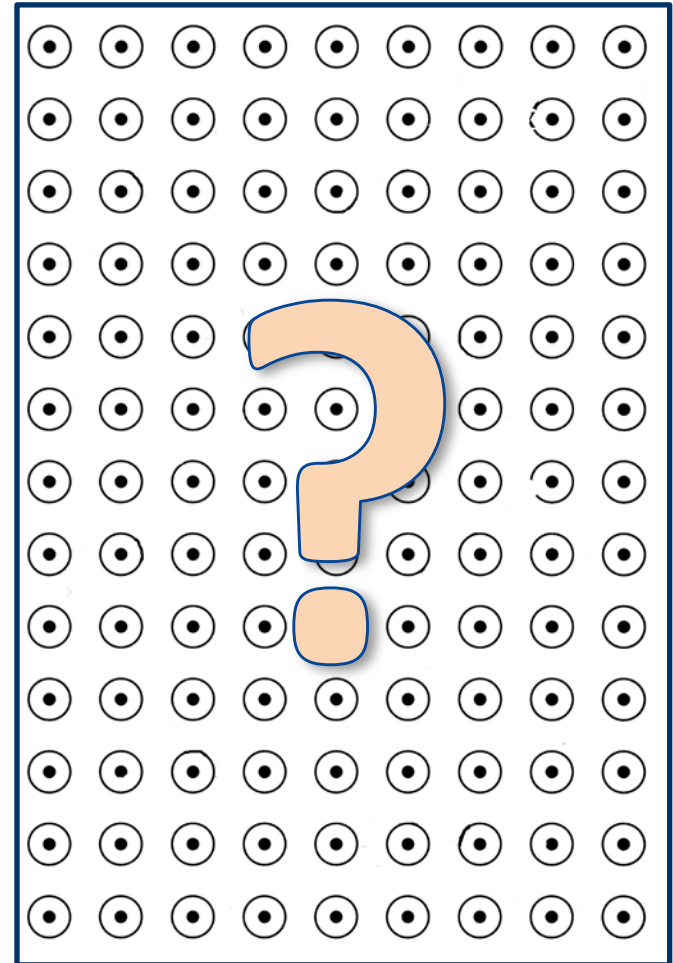
Generally we walk through the field/orchard and count pest and beneficial insects or pest damage

- Our goal is to reliably estimate the actual density (e.g. insects per leaf or sweep)

How do we find out?

Count them all?

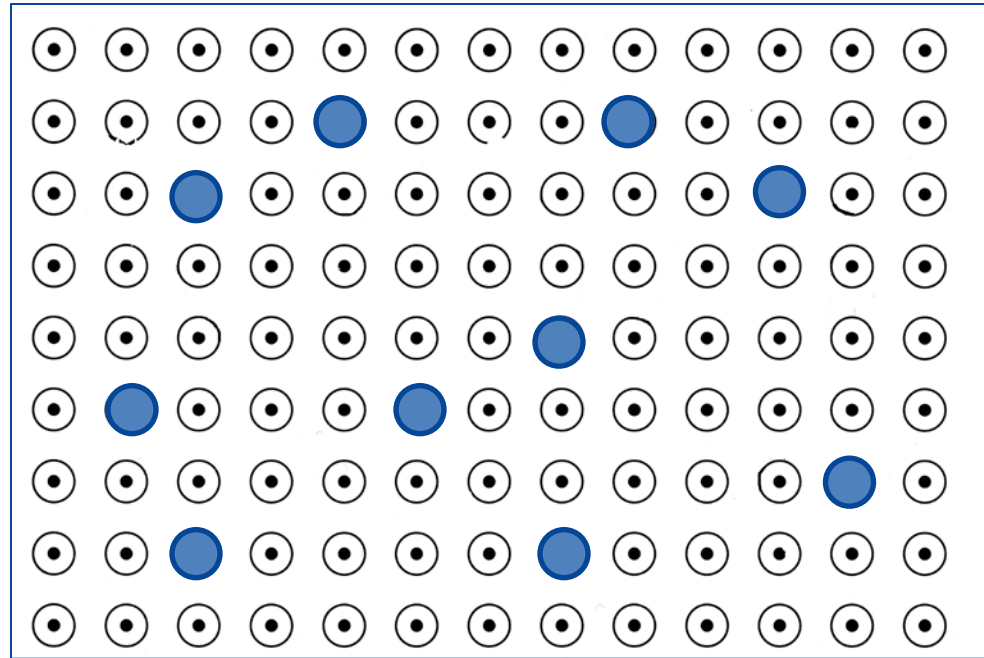
- Estimate the density by sampling a only portion of the population
- Almost always interested in estimating mean density per sample unit (leaf, sweep, etc.)



Sample vs. subsample

Sample unit (subsample): the individual unit from which insects are counted: the counts from one or more inspections at a scouting stop

Single leaf
Stem, shoot or branch
Fruit
Sweep of an area
Trap counts



Sample: all of the sample units (subsamples) collected to estimate the population density of pest or beneficial insects or mites in a field or portion of a field

Sample size: the number of sample units (subsamples) per sample

Sample vs. sample unit

10 leaves (subsamples) per vine from
each of 20 vines

Sample size = 200

5 sweeps (subsamples) per site from
each of 5 sites

Sample size = 25



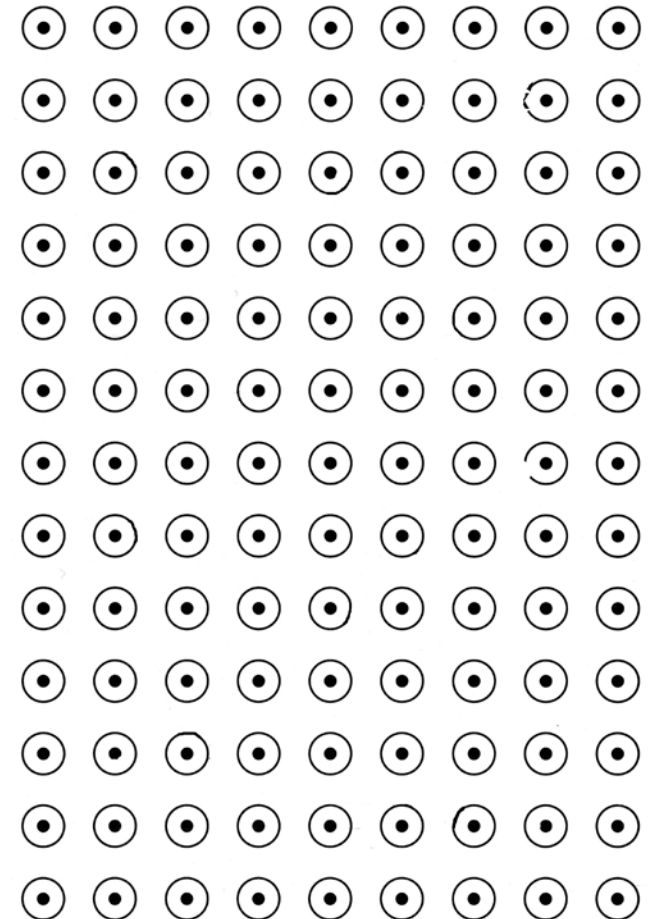
Always sample from
more than one tree,
vine, area per field or
block

Representative samples

We need to reliably estimate the actual mean density (e.g. pests per leaf or sweep)

Samples should be unbiased

- Representative of the area (field/block) being sampled
 - Sampling only from areas showing damage gives estimates higher than actual mean
 - Sampling only from undamaged areas gives estimates lower than actual mean
- Each sample unit should have an equal chance of being selected



How to sample

Walk a predetermined route that covers the entire field

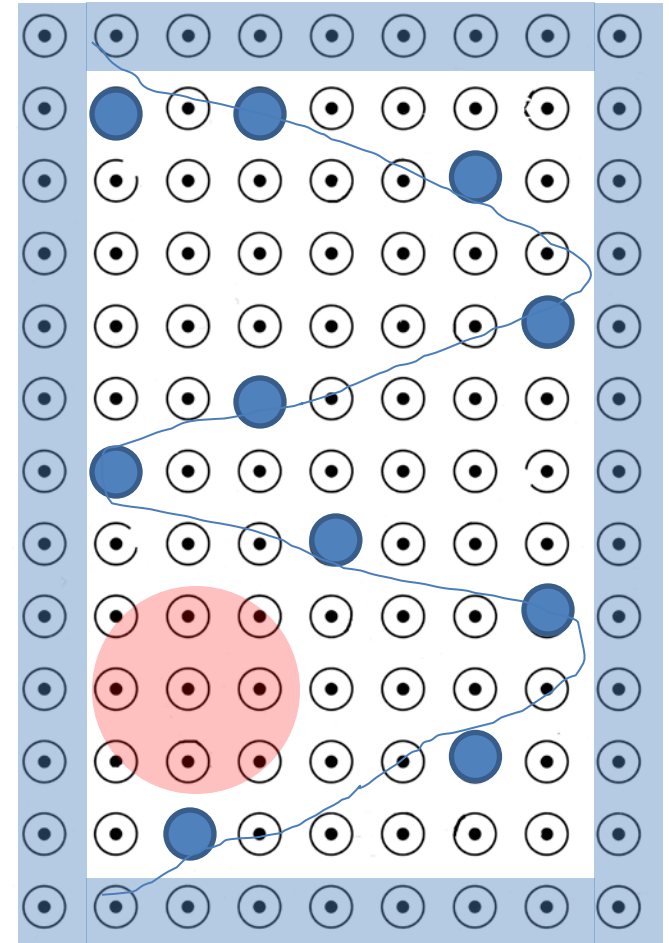
Zig-zag or “W” shaped routes are good

Make observations about field conditions while scouting

Don't sample from plants that are obviously more or less healthy than the field generally

Don't consistently sample from leaves/areas within easy reach

Consider separate samples from field edges and “hot spots”

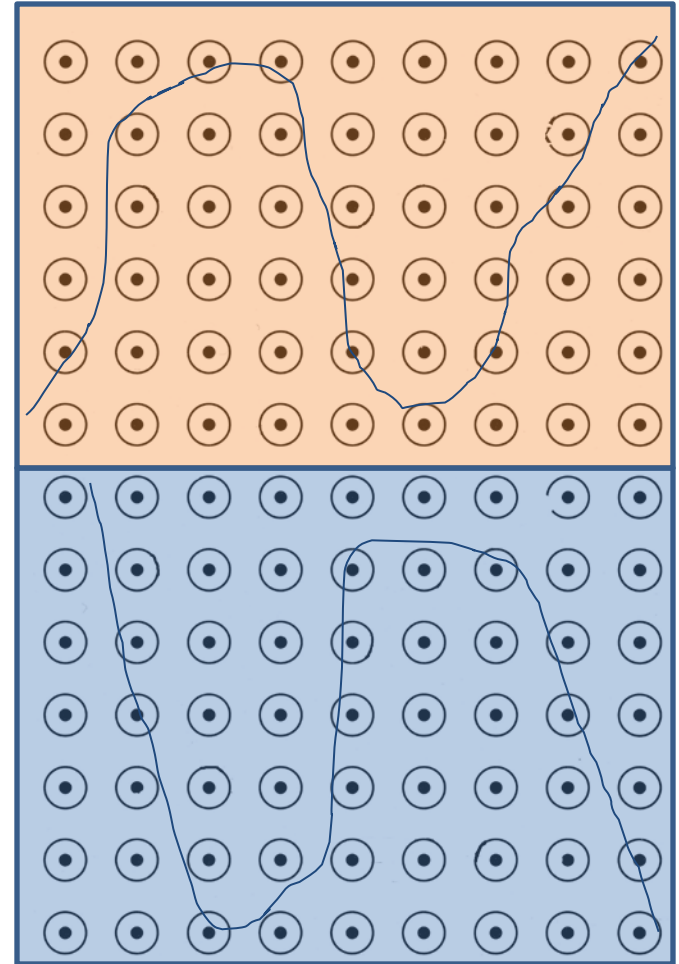


How to sample

Take separate samples for units (fields/blocks) managed differently

- Different varieties
- Different fertilization
- Different irrigation
- Different ages
- Different previous crop

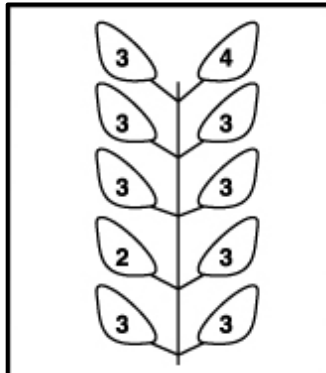
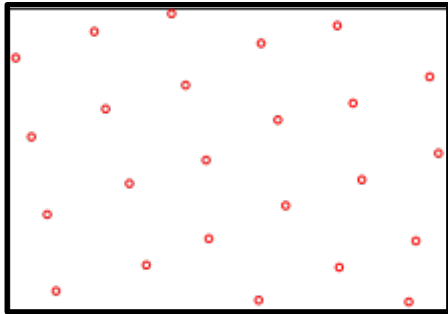
How many samples are required?
Depends on insect distribution



Possible Insect distributions in fields or on plants

Uniform

Mean >> variance

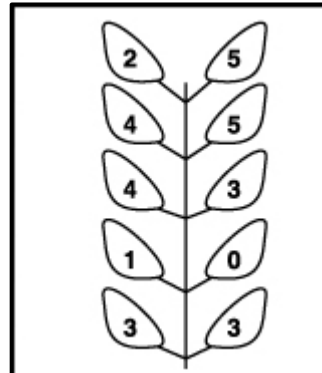
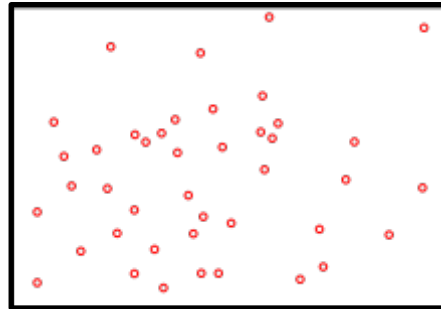


Mean=3
Variance=0.2

Few samples
needed: rare

Random

Mean \approx variance

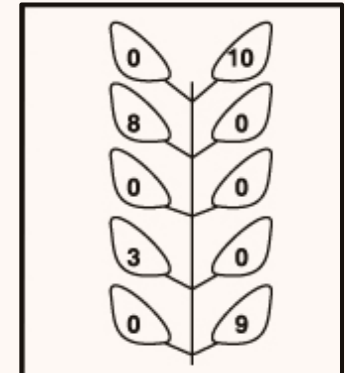
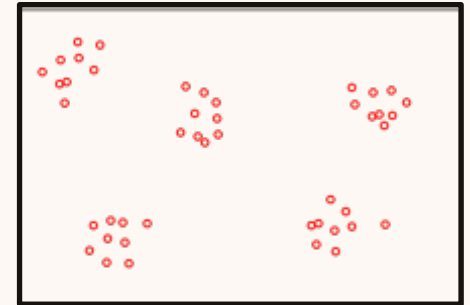


Mean=3
Variance=2.6

More samples needed:
uncommon

Clumped

Mean << variance



Mean=3
Variance=18.2

Many samples needed:
most common

Knowing the number of samples to take requires detailed information about the mean to variance relationship

- Changes with each pest and crop combination
- Changes as density increases for each pest
- Changes for different stages of same pest

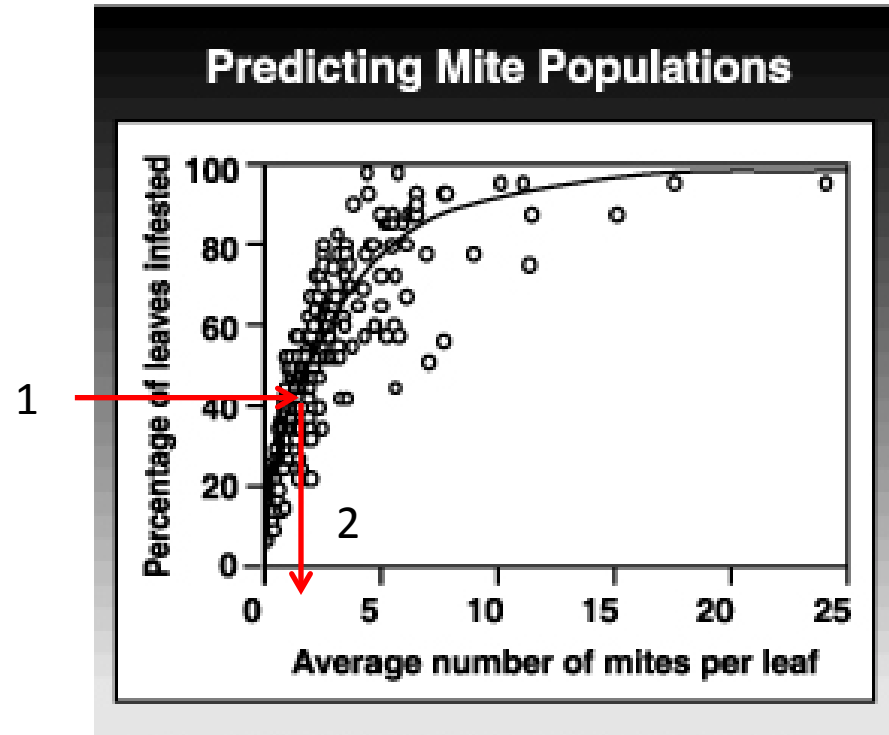
Most sampling plans use a fixed number of samples to provide a conservative estimate of the mean

Mean to variance relationship can also be used to develop sampling plans that don't rely directly on the sample mean

- Presence absence (binomial) sampling plans
- Sequential sampling plans

Presence absence (binomial) sampling

- Relationship between % of infested sampling units (e.g. leaves) and mean at different pest densities
- Tally number of leaves infested instead of counting pests
- Estimates unreliable when infestations are high ($\geq 80\%$)



% infested leaves can provide an accurate estimate of the mean

Presence absence (binomial) sampling example

European red mite in apple

- Examine 5 leaves from each of 10 trees per block
- Sum the number of infested and uninfested leaves from each tree
- Calculate the % infested leaves in the entire sample
 $(27/50) * 100 = 54\%$
- Read estimated density from table

Binomial (Presence-Absence) Sampling Scheme for European Red Mite

% of mite-infested leaves	Estimated density (mites/leaf)	95% confidence interval	
		lower	upper
40	0.7	0.25	1.20
45	0.9	0.35	1.45
50	1.1	0.45	1.75
55	1.3	0.60	2.13
60	1.6	0.80	2.65
65	2.0	1.05	3.25
70	2.6	1.35	4.10
75	3.4	1.85	5.35
80	4.7	2.55	7.25
85	6.8	3.85	10.55
90	11.4	6.50	17.55
95	26.4	15.30	40.30

Choose 5 to 10 leaves from 5 to 10 trees scattered throughout a block. Scan the leaves with a hand lens to determine whether or not mites are present. Keep track of the total number of leaves scanned, and the total number of leaves infested by one or more mites. Divide the number infested by the total number scanned and multiply by 100 to calculate the percentage of infested leaves. Use the nearest value from the first column of the table above and read across to obtain the estimated number of mites per leaf for the orchard block.

From the *Tree Fruit Production Guide 1992-1993*, Penn State College of Agricultural Sciences

EXAMPLE

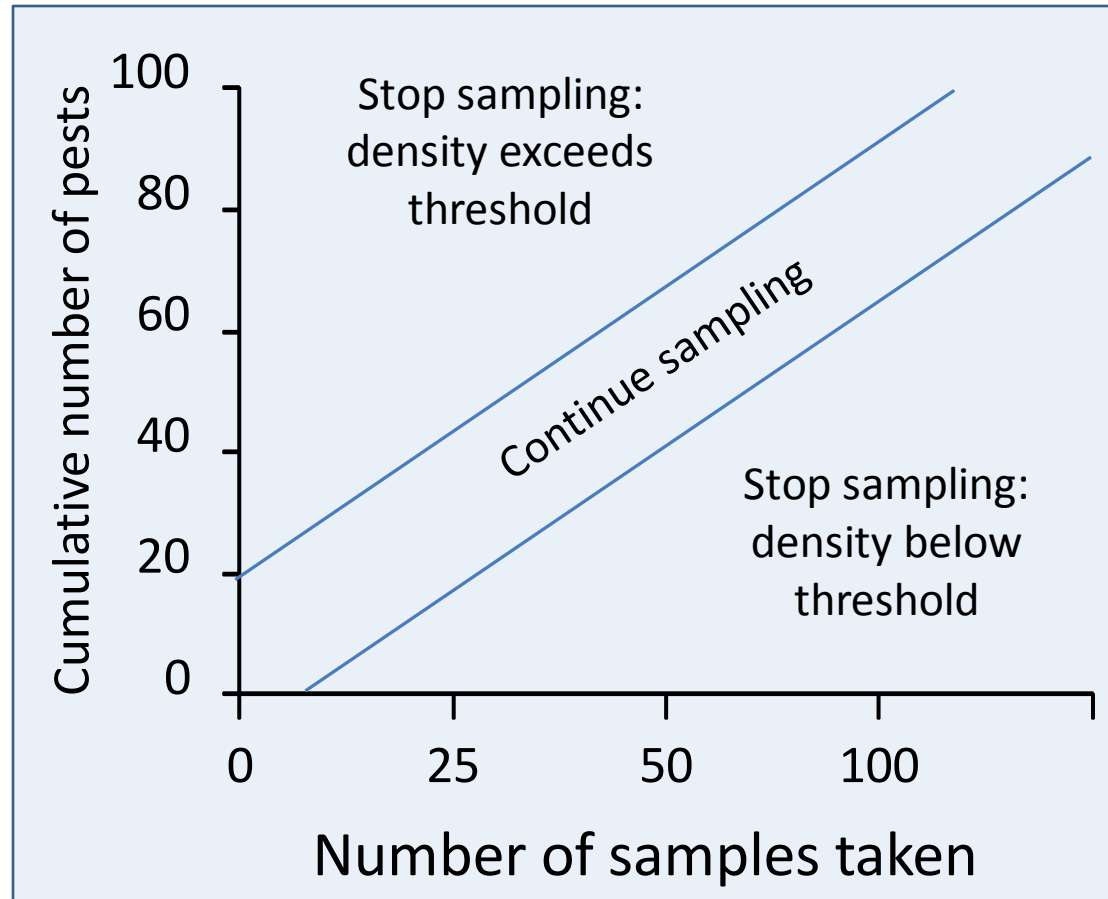
Tree	Infested leaves	Uninfested leaves
1		(((
2		
3))(
4		((
5		
6		
7		
8	+++	○
9	+++	○
10		
Total	27	+ 23 = 50

Keep a tally sheet of infested and non-infested leaves, similar to the one above, as you go through the orchard. For example, you find 27 infested leaves and 23 uninfested leaves, for a total of 50 leaves. Divide 27 (the number of infested leaves) by 50, which is 0.54. Then multiply by 100 to obtain the percentage of infested leaves, which is 54 percent. According to the table, 54 percent infested leaves is equivalent to 1.3 mites per leaf.

Sequential sampling

Take some minimum number of samples, then make a decision to stop or continue sampling

- **Stop sampling:** treat or don't treat
- You've taken enough samples to make a decision
- **Continue sampling:** need more samples to make a decision



Usually some maximum sample number

Sequential sampling example:

Campylomma plant bugs in apple

- Minimum sample:
10 taps per block
- Maximum sample:
50 taps per block
- Alternative fixed
sample plan: 20
taps per block

Sequential Sampling Plan for Campylomma

Red Delicious (threshold 4 per tap)		
Total taps	Cumulative no. of nymphs	
	Upper	Lower
10	53	27
11	58	30
12	62	34
13	67	37
14	71	41
15	76	44
16	80	48
17	85	51
18	89	55
19	94	58
20	98	62
21	103	65
22	107	69
23	112	72
24	116	76
25	121	79
26	125	83
27	129	87
28	134	90
29	138	94
30	143	97
31	147	101
32	151	105
33	156	108
34	160	112
35	164	116
36	169	119
37	173	123
38	177	127
39	182	130
40	186	134
41	190	138
42	195	141
43	199	145
44	203	149
45	208	152
46	212	156
47	216	160
48	221	163
49	225	167
50	229	171

Golden Delicious (threshold 1 per tap)		
Total taps	Cumulative no. of nymphs	
	Upper	Lower
10	15	5
11	17	5
12	18	6
13	19	7
14	20	8
15	21	9
16	23	9
17	24	10
18	25	11
19	26	12
20	27	13
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47	58	36
48	60	36
49	61	37
50	62	38

To use the chart, take a minimum of 10 taps. If the total number of nymphs is above the upper limit, control is warranted. If the number is below the lower limit, no control is needed and sampling may be discontinued. If the number lies between the two limits, continue sampling. If 50 taps are taken and no decision is reached, sample again in 5 to 7 days.

Plan developed for 90% confidence interval, 1st generation nymphs, in a 1.2 acre block of a conventionally managed commercial orchard (H.M.A. Thistlewood. 1989. Environmental Entomology 18(3):398).

Sampling methods

Visual samples

- Counts of insect/mites or damage directly on leaves, stems, fruit, roots...
- Aphids, scale insects, mites, leafminers, small caterpillars, leafhoppers, immature psyllids...
- Counts on site or in shop/lab



10x-20x hand lens useful



Sampling methods

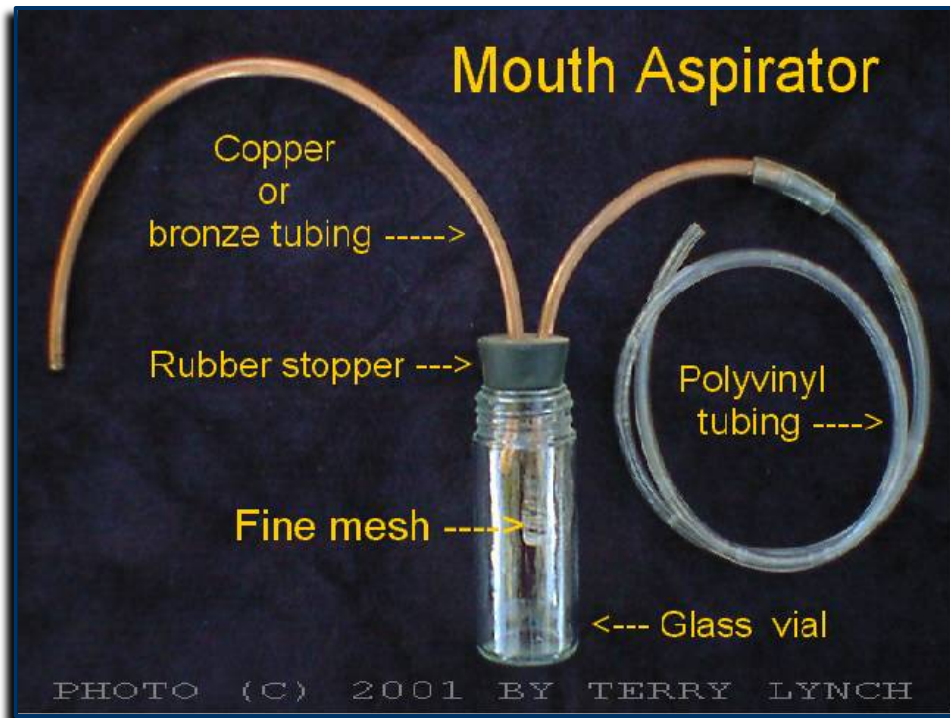
Beat tray/cloth (tap) samples

- Jar insects/mites onto a tray where they can be easily counted
- Larger caterpillars, adult psyllids, aphids
- Counts on site or in shop/lab
- Hand lens/ aspirator useful



Sampling methods

Insect aspirator



Sampling methods

Sweep net samples

- Collects many insects quickly
 - Not selective
- Not as useful for tree and small fruits
- Useful for sampling ground cover and field edges
- Counts on site or in shop/lab
- Hand lens/ aspirator useful



Sampling methods

Attractant traps

Visual traps: colors and/or shapes used to attract insects

Yellow sticky cards:
aphids, fruit flies, thrips



Red spheres:
apple maggot



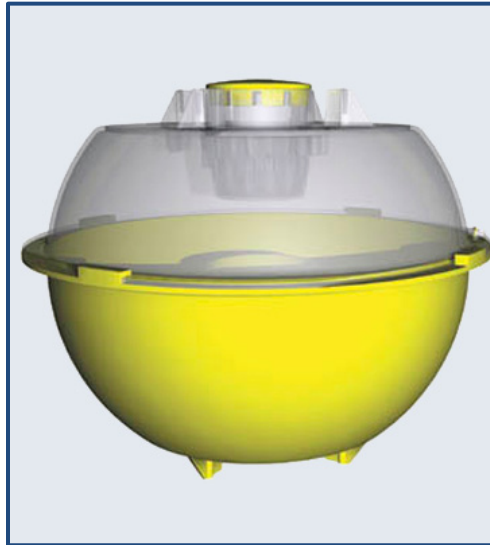
Can capture a lot of non-targets

Sampling methods

Attractant traps

Food attractants: Food source scents

- Often an ammonia source: ammonium acetate, or ammonium carbonate
- May have a protein source (casein)
- Usually combined with visual/sticky traps



Increased selectivity

Sampling methods

Attractant traps

Pheromone traps:

- Most commercial pheromones are synthetic versions of natural scents produced by insects to attract mates
- Most are female-produced scents that attract males
- Usually species specific
- Synthetic pheromones available for many orchard and some field crop pests

Codling moth

San Jose scale

Red-banded leafroller

Oblique-banded leafroller

Peach twig borer

Fruit tree leafroller

Oriental fruit moth

Peachtree borer

American plum borer

Spotted tentiform leafminer

Corn earworm

California prionus

Mint root borer

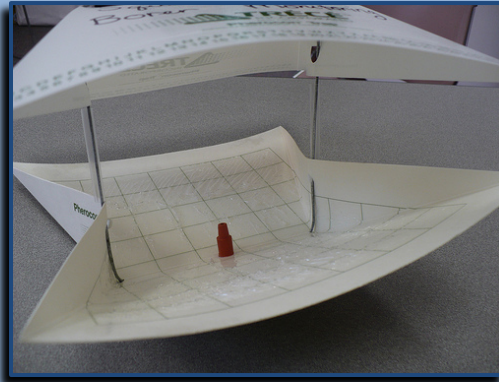
Sampling methods

Attractant traps

Pheromone traps Consist of a lure or dispenser and a trap



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Trap not
needed for
Mating
disruption
dispensers



Many available



Sampling methods

Attractant traps

Useful for monitoring pests and beneficial insects

- Monitor flight periods (Mint root borer)
- Synchronize DD models (setting biofix: peak flight)
- Monitor success of control programs
- Monitor exotic or invasive pests (apple maggot)

Useful for controlling pests

- Mating disruption (codling moth, peach tree borer)
- Mass trapping (apple maggot: visual + food attractant sticky traps)

Sampling methods

Growing degree days (GDD or DD models)

- Insects don't grow or grow very slowly below some lower temperature threshold
- Insects don't grow or grow very slowly above some upper temperature threshold
- Insect growth rate between the lower and upper thresholds increases with temperature
- Predicts insect development by accumulating heat units (degree days)
- Determine best time to sample or treat
 - ✓ Insects/ mites
 - ✓ Particular insect/ mite growth stage

Sampling methods

Monitoring degree days

- Biofix: When to begin accumulating degree days
Calendar date or biological event (1st or peak flight)
- Threshold temperatures
 - Lower threshold: no development below this
 - Upper threshold: no development above this
- Mean daily temperature: $\left(\frac{T_{\max} - T_{\min}}{2} \right)$
- Thermal constant: no. of DD required to reach a development stage (e.g. 50-60 DD from 1st trap catch to first egg laying for codling moth)

Sampling methods

Accumulating degree days: for each day

$$\text{Degree days} = \left(\frac{T_{\max} - T_{\min}}{2} \right) - T_{\text{low}}$$

- ✓ Mean daily temp. \leq Lower threshold: No DD accumulation
- ✓ Mean daily temp. $>$ Lower threshold: DD accumulation
- ✓ Maximum daily temp never exceeds the upper development threshold
- Online models available for many pests

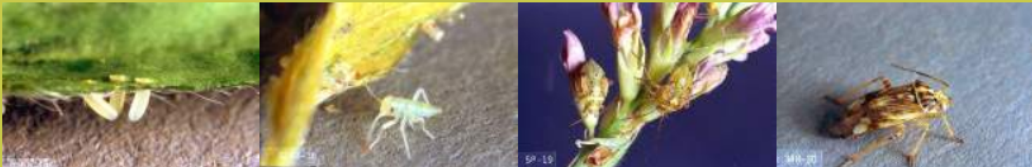
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insect model of [Ben Simko](#) 2000

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black cutworm [vegetables] Luckmann et al. 1976

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Barley Miller MSU

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corn earworm [sweet corn] Hartstack et al. 1976

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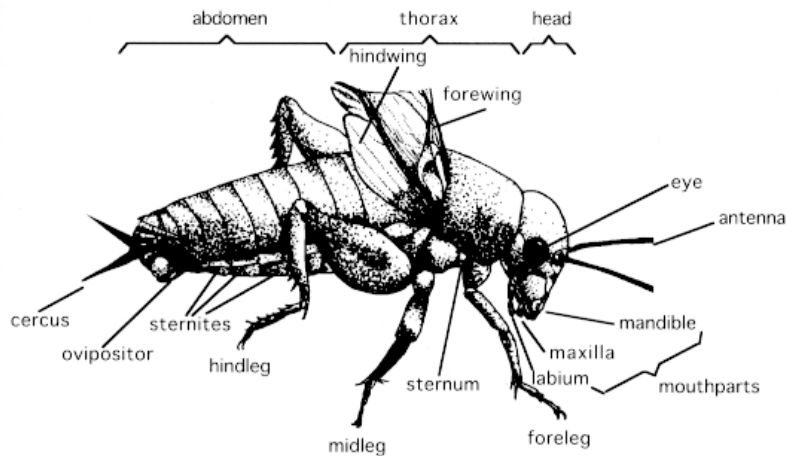
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Knowledge of the pest and beneficial insects

Some familiarity with basic insect and mite structure

Insects



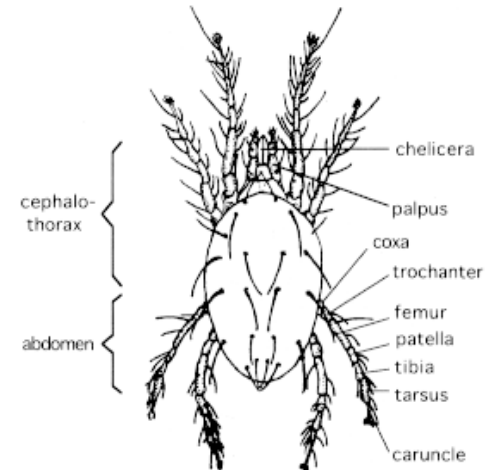
Small to tiny

3 body sections

6 legs

Adults usually winged

Mites



Tiny to minute

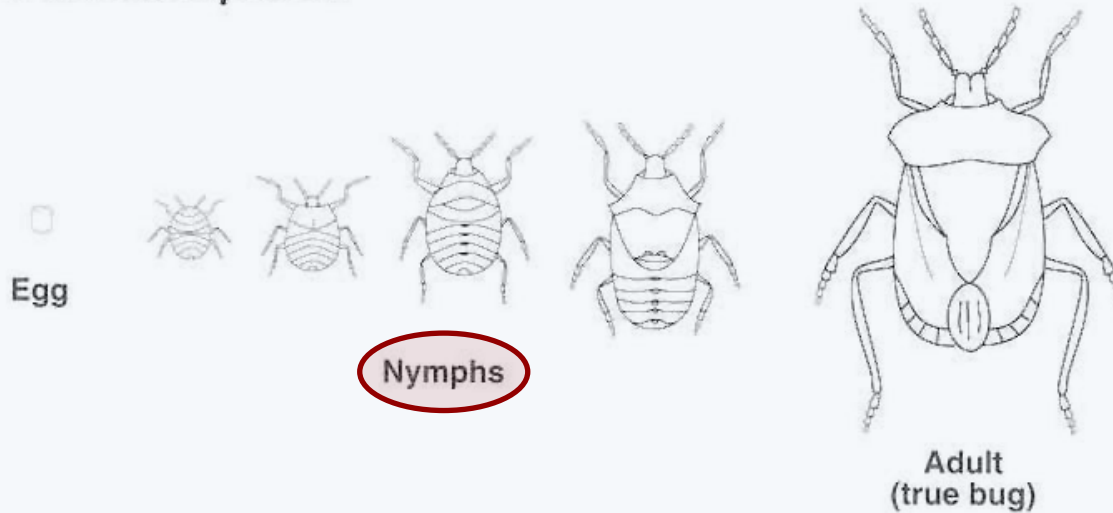
2 body sections

4 to 8 legs

No winged stages

Knowledge of insect and mite biology: growth

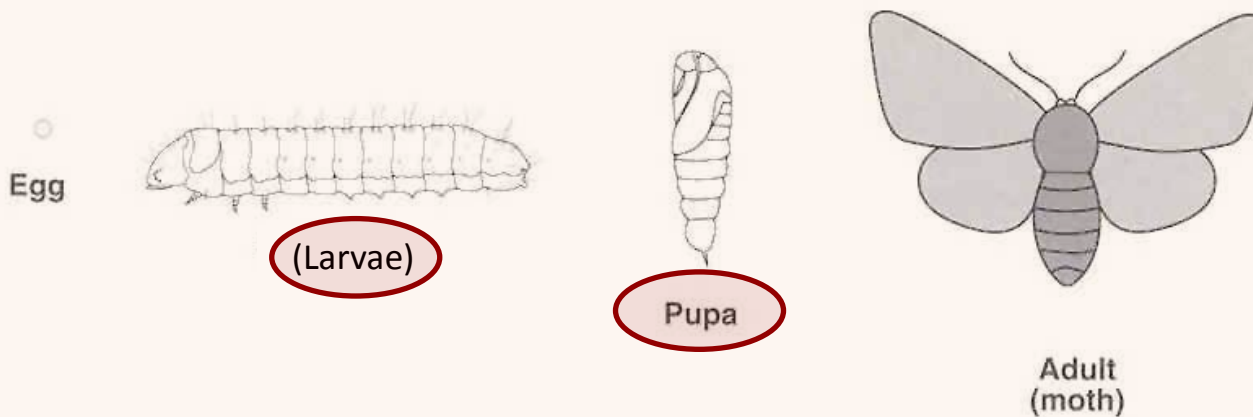
Simple metamorphosis



True bugs
Grasshoppers
Leaf hoppers
Aphids
Scale insects

Mites

Complete metamorphosis

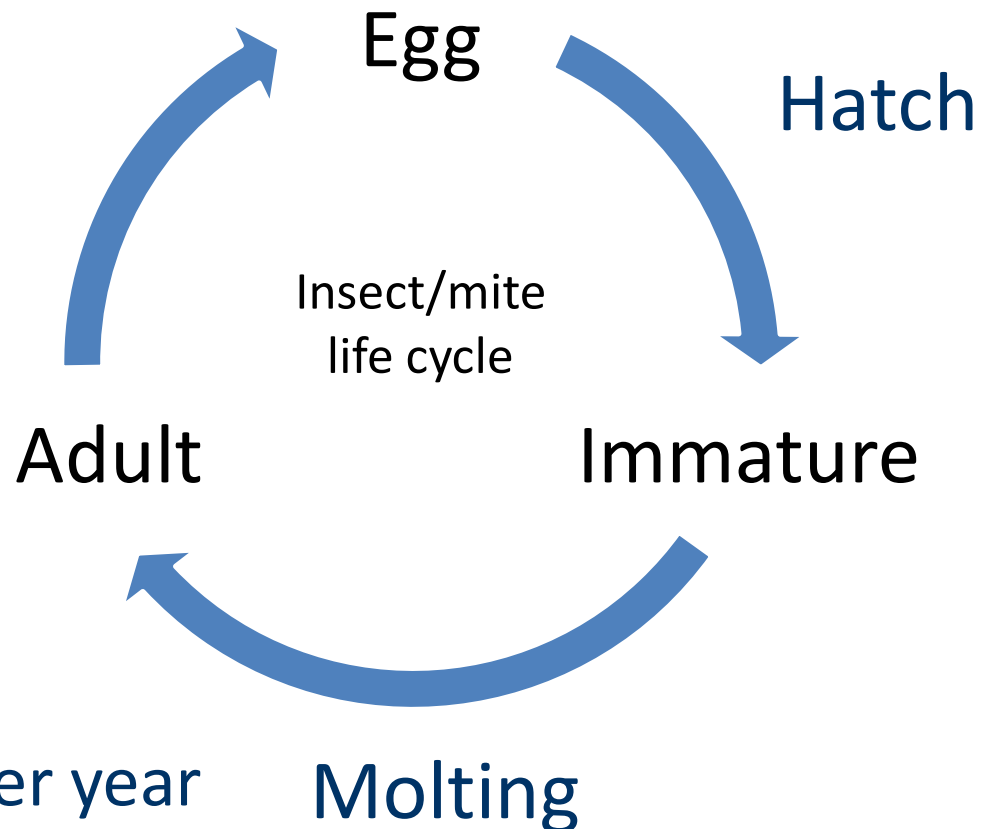


Moths
Butterflies
Flies
Thrips
Beetles
Bees and wasps

Knowledge of the pest and beneficial insects

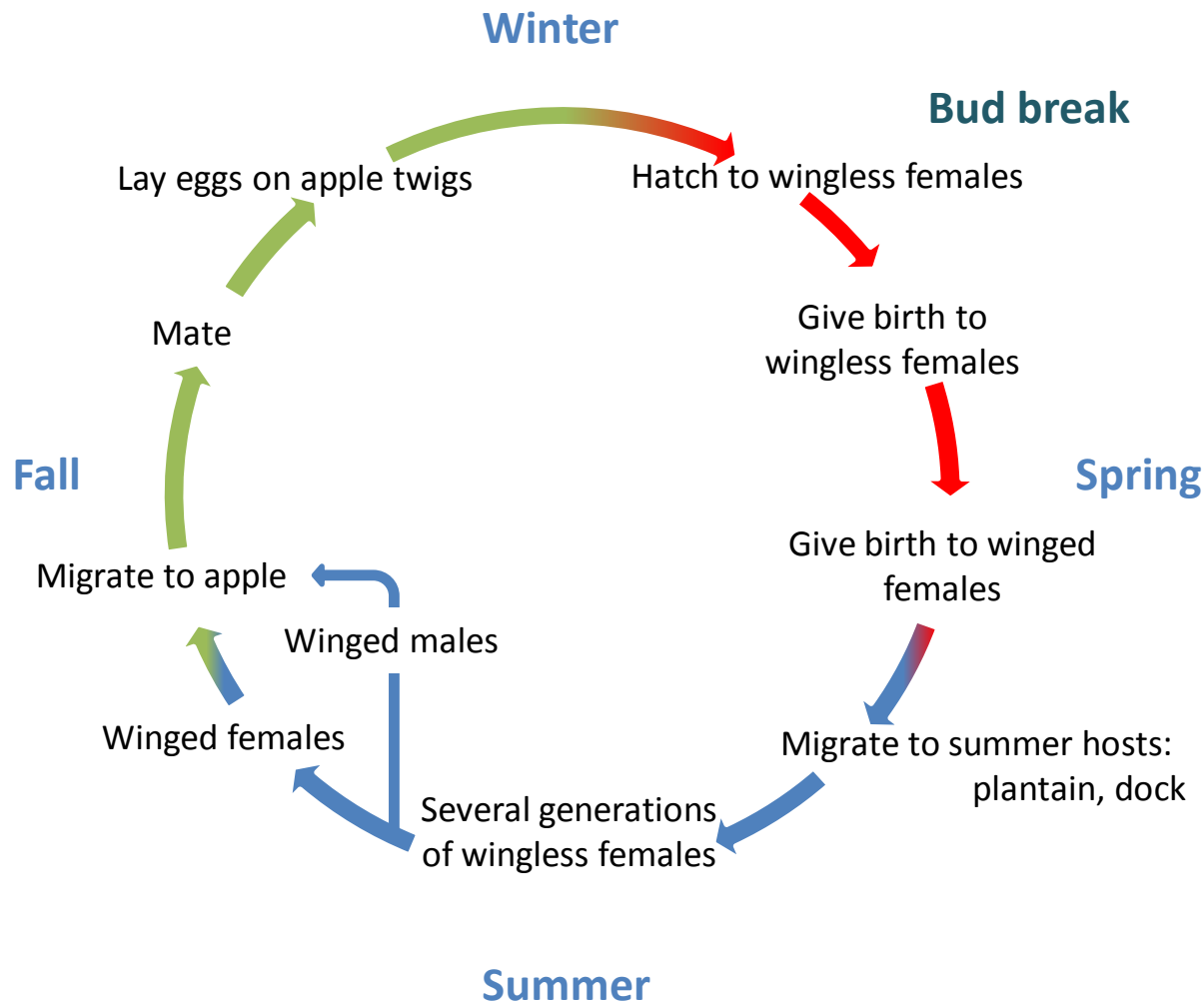
The life cycle and biology tells us when and where and how often to sample and treat: focuses sampling and control efforts




- Overwintering: where, when, what stage
- Hosts: the plants attacked
- Plant parts attacked
- Damaging stage
- When it's present
- Number of generations per year
- Generation time



Knowledge of the pest and beneficial insects

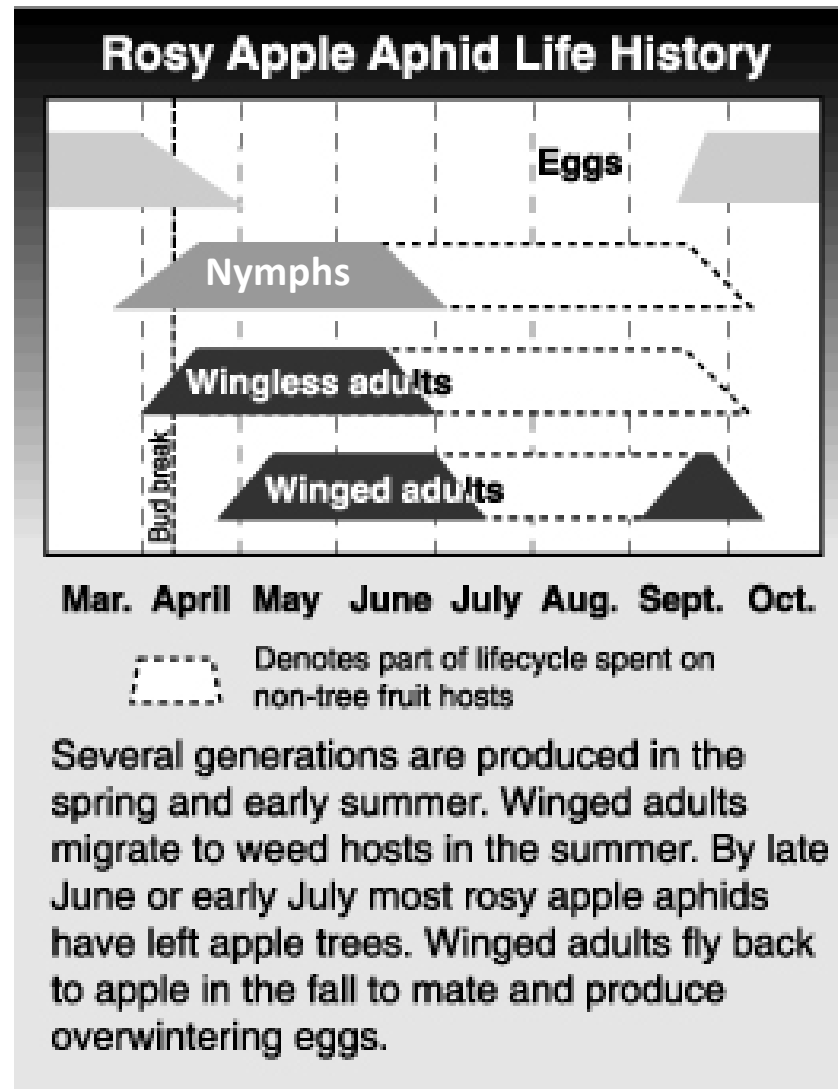
Rosy apple aphid life cycle




In apple: don't treat

In apple: treat

Not in apple: don't treat

Knowledge of the pest and beneficial insects

Life cycles can be displayed in life history tables



From Orchard Pest
Management: A Resource
Book for the Pacific Northwest

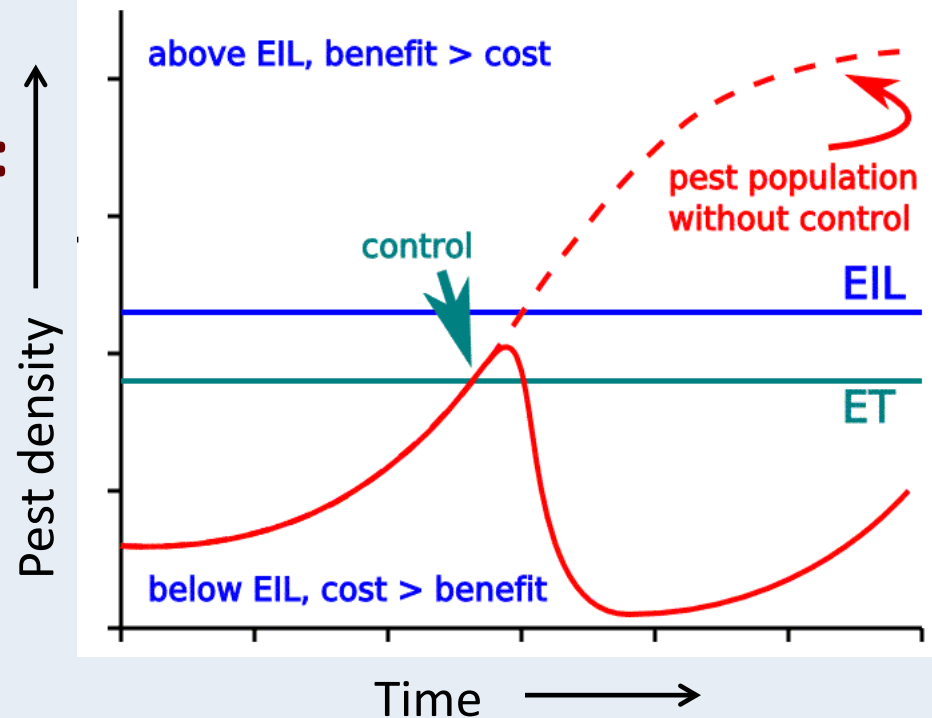
Economic injury levels and action thresholds

What do the sample numbers mean?

Economic injury level: pest level that causes significant crop loss defined as the pest population resulting in:

$$\text{Yield loss} = \text{cost of control efforts}$$

Economic (action) threshold: level at which a pest should be treated to prevent it exceeding the EIL

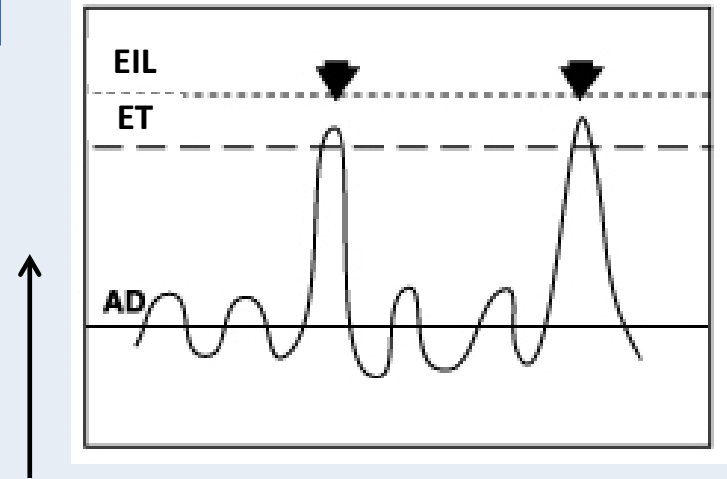


Action thresholds

Indirect vs. direct pests

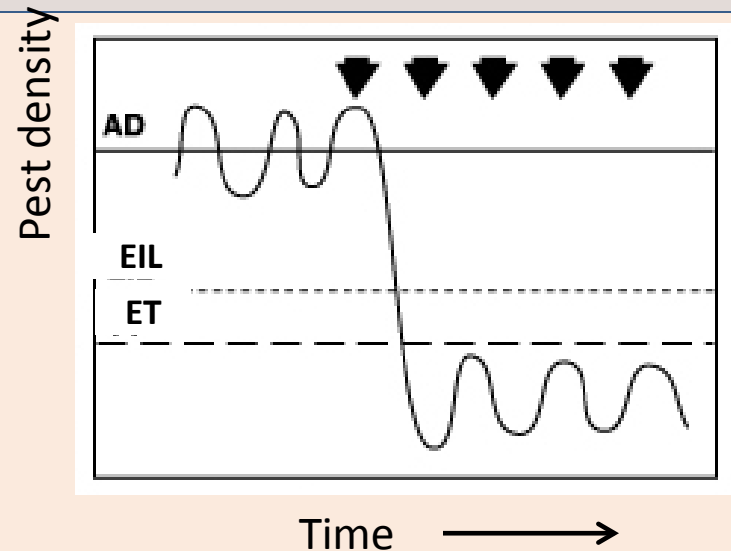
Indirect pests: attack non-harvested plant parts (roots , shoots, leaves...)

- Higher tolerance level
- Density often below ET
- More response time



Direct pests: attack harvestable commodity (fruit, fruit buds...)

- Lower tolerance level
- Density often above ET
- Less response time



Action thresholds

Formal EILs and ETs aren't available for many pest/crop combinations

Most ET's based on grower/researcher experience (empirical ET)

Sampling still a good idea:

- Detect pest presence
- Detect damaging stage
- Determine if effective natural enemies are present
- Determine if populations increasing or decreasing in density (from repeated samples)
- Determine effectiveness of control measures
 - Always sample before a treatment

Management options

All suitable pest management tactics should be considered

- Cultural
- Physical & Mechanical
- Natural or biological
- Chemical

Some tactics might fall
Into several categories.



CULTURAL CONTROLS

Agronomic practices that are designed to:

- ✓ Optimize growing conditions for the crop
- ✓ Create unfavorable conditions for the pest

Any practice that increases a crop's competitive edge will increase tolerance to pests often resulting in reduced pesticide use

CULTURAL CONTROLS

Tillage buries crop residues containing insects, diseases, and weed seeds, and disrupts root systems of perennial weeds

Drawback: stimulates weed seed germination; can cause soil erosion

Mulching with plastics or straw controls weeds, increase natural enemy nos. high cost of equipment and labor, may increase pest nos. (e.g. slugs)

Burning crop residues reduces diseases.

Drawback: increase soil erosion, air pollution

Resistant/tolerant varieties have characteristics that protect them from diseases or insects. Example: a chemical produced in young corn plants gives them resistance to the European corn borer

Drawback: diseases or insects may overcome resistance tolerance

Crop rotation growing different crops in sequence can provide better weed and insect control, reduce levels of disease (especially those that survive on crop residue), and improve fertility. Example: rotating corn with soybeans to control corn rootworm

CULTURAL CONTROLS

Altering planting or harvest dates can reduce the impact of pests.

Example: cutting alfalfa early during alfalfa weevil infestations; planting wheat after the fall Russian wheat aphid flight.

Drawback: possible yields and quality reductions

Controlling alternative hosts means controlling weeds and crops that harbor pests. Example: weedy grasses in corn may attract armyworms, stalk borers

Drawback: many of these alternative hosts also support natural enemies of the pests

Sound agronomic practices promote vigorous crop growth and reduce risk of injury and increase the crop's ability to withstand pests

Physical and Mechanical Control

Devices and machines used to control pests or to alter their environment, including:

- Traps for insects, rodents, gophers, and birds
- Light to attract or repel pests; bug zappers
- Sound to kill, attract, or repel pests
- Barriers such as screens in homes and livestock shelters, metal or plastic barriers to prevent black vine weevil movement
- Radiation to sterilize or kill pests
- Cold or heat to kill pests, e.g. cooling grain bins over the winter to stop activity of grain-infesting insects and molds

Biological and Natural Control

Uses natural enemies or natural products to reduce pest populations.

Conservation biocontrol Create an environment that preserves already existing natural enemies. Examples: strip harvesting alfalfa to allow natural enemies to stabilize; avoiding pesticides, if possible, to preserve insect predators and parasitoids; planting cover crops, flower borders to provide natural enemy habitat

Inundative biocontrol Release reared natural enemies usually in very large numbers into the environment. Like applying a selective insecticide. Examples: the bacteria *Bacillus thuringiensis*, available locally, is very effective against the European corn borer; the parasitic wasp *Trichogramma* attacks European corn borer eggs and can be applied by air on certain high-value crops like peppers and sweet corn.

There are four types of natural enemies

Biological and Natural Control

Predators: each attacks and feeds on a few to many prey insects. May be specialists (*Stethorus* beetles on mites) or generalists (big-eyed bugs on aphids and insect eggs and small larvae).



Lady Beetles
(Coleoptera)

Minute Pirate bugs
(Hemiptera)



Syrphid flies
(Diptera)

Biological and Natural Control

Parasitoids: each lives in or on a larger host which is killed as the parasitoid(s) develops. *Bathyplectes* wasps lay their eggs in alfalfa weevil larvae



Braconid and
Ichneumonid wasps



Trichogramma spp.



Aphidius and
Aphytis, wasps

Biological and Natural Control

Diseases (pathogens) attack insects and occur in natural or induced epidemics, killing large numbers of insect pests. The fungus *Beauveria bassiana* can cause decreases in population many caterpillar pests

Bacteria



Viruses



Fungi



Nematodes



Biological and Natural Control

Herbivores are insects that feed on plants. Some are crop pests, but some are important for control of noxious weeds: the weevil *Rhyncocyllus* has been introduced to feed on musk thistle seeds.

Galerucella
leaf beetle
on purple
loostrife



Eustenopsis
seed head
weevil on
star thistle



Chemical Control

- Despite concern over their use, pesticides are still a important component of most IPM programs.
- Problems arise when people rely too much on pesticides.
- IPM seeks to restore balance so that pesticides are used only when they are really needed.
- Be aware of the possible *benefits* and *risks* of using pesticides.
- Wisely select when, where, and how to use pesticides to your best advantage in an IPM program.

Chemical Control

Benefits of pesticides

- Effective and reliable against a wide variety of pests
- Quick acting—when a problem reaches economically damaging proportions, pesticides can provide a rapid cure
- Economical when used properly
- Easily tested and incorporated compared to biologicals
- Widely available able compared to pest resistant varieties in most crops
- Easy to use

Chemical Control

Risks of pesticides

- Pest may develop resistance to the pesticide
- Injury to applicator and others
- Impacts on non-target organisms, including natural enemies of pests, pollinators, wildlife, and plants.
- Environmental contamination, such as residues in food and water
- Safety hazards in production, transportation, and storage

Legal Control

Actions taken under federal, state, or local laws to slow or stop the spread of plant pests, especially those that are brought in from other areas.

- Quarantine
- Inspections
- Compulsory crop or product destruction, and eradication of pests.

Example: legal controls against the Mediterranean fruit fly have included insect eradication programs and quarantine and embargoes on affected fruit, phytosanitary certifications for import of hop plants.

Record Keeping

Scouting forms –Record sampling/
monitoring, treatment data and
observations and outcomes

Provides permanent record

Develops field history

Time line of pest/ crop development

Improved management for
entire field and hot spots

Minimum data

A: field description/location

B: Pest observations/results

C: Crop/field/weather observations

D: Comments/treatment results

E: Field map and sampling route

A

Scouting Report																	
Producer: <u>JIM WAIT</u>				Scout: <u>CHERYL HOLMAN</u>				Date: <u>6/10/01</u>									
Field ID: <u>BRADFORD I</u>				County: <u>BOONE</u>				Time: <u>9:00 AM</u>									
Acres: <u>50</u>				Crop: <u>SOYBEANS</u>				Hybrid: <u>AGRIUM</u>									
Row width = <u>30"</u>								Total		Average							
Plant Count (ft. row or hoop)																	
Plants per Acre																	
Insect		Sampling Unit		At each survey stop, number of pests or damaged plants								Total		Average		%	
<u>BEAN LEAF BEETLE</u>		<u>#/Ft. ROW</u>		<u>3</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>10</u>	<u>9</u>	<u>13</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>10</u>	<u>10</u>	<u>64</u>	<u>6.4</u>		
<u>"</u>		<u>% DEFOLIATION</u>		<u>10</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>25</u>	<u>25</u>	<u>30</u>	<u>15</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>10</u>	<u>25</u>	<u>30</u>			<u>18</u>	
<u>"</u>		<u># DEAD PLANTS PER FT. ROW</u>		<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>		

B

Weed	At each survey stop, enter either: N (none), VL (very low), L (low), M (moderate), I (intermediate), H (high), or VH (very high) or density per 100 sq ft. for each weed										Average ht. and # of leaves	
<u>GIANT FOXTAIL</u>	<u>H</u>	<u>VH</u>	<u>H</u>	<u>VH</u>	<u>VH</u>	<u>VH</u>	<u>VH</u>	<u>VH</u>	<u>VH</u>	<u>VH</u>	<u>2"</u>	<u>3</u>
<u>SPATTERCANE</u>	<u>N</u>	<u>VL</u>	<u>N</u>	<u>N</u>	<u>N</u>	<u>VL</u>	<u>VL</u>	<u>VL</u>	<u>VL</u>	<u>N</u>	<u>6"</u>	<u>3</u>
<u>WATERHEMP</u>	<u>H</u>	<u>N</u>	<u>VH</u>	<u>M</u>	<u>I</u>	<u>VL</u>	<u>H</u>	<u>H</u>	<u>H</u>	<u>N</u>	<u>1"</u>	<u>2</u>
<u>COCKLEBUR</u>	<u>N</u>	<u>L</u>	<u>N</u>	<u>L</u>	<u>N</u>	<u>N</u>	<u>N</u>	<u>L</u>	<u>H</u>	<u>VL</u>	<u>4"</u>	<u>4</u>
<u>MORNINGGLORY</u>	<u>L</u>	<u>N</u>	<u>VL</u>	<u>N</u>	<u>M</u>	<u>I</u>	<u>H</u>	<u>L</u>	<u>N</u>	<u>VL</u>	<u>1" curly leaves</u>	

C

Disease	Sampling Unit	At each survey stop, enter % infection								Average
<u>PHYTOPHTHORA</u>	<u>15 PLANTS</u>									

Growth stage: V1 Crop height: 3"

Soil Conditions: wet (moist) dry loose light crust hard crust

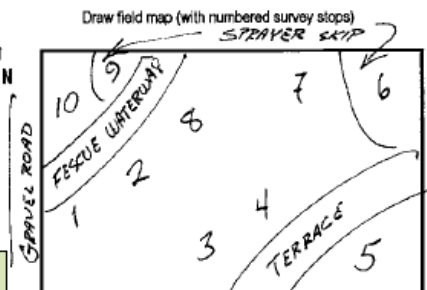
Weather: 70 °F partly sunny cloudy rainy calm light wind strong wind

D

Comments:

- STOPS 6 & 9 APPEAR TO BE WHERE SPRAYER RAN OUT OF HERBICIDE OR SKIPPED.
- HEAVY FOXTAIL & COCKLEBUR PRESSURE AT STOPS 6 & 9.
- POOR SOYBEAN STAND AT STOP 5 (<50,000/A). AREA IS WET & PHYTOPHTHORA PRESENT.

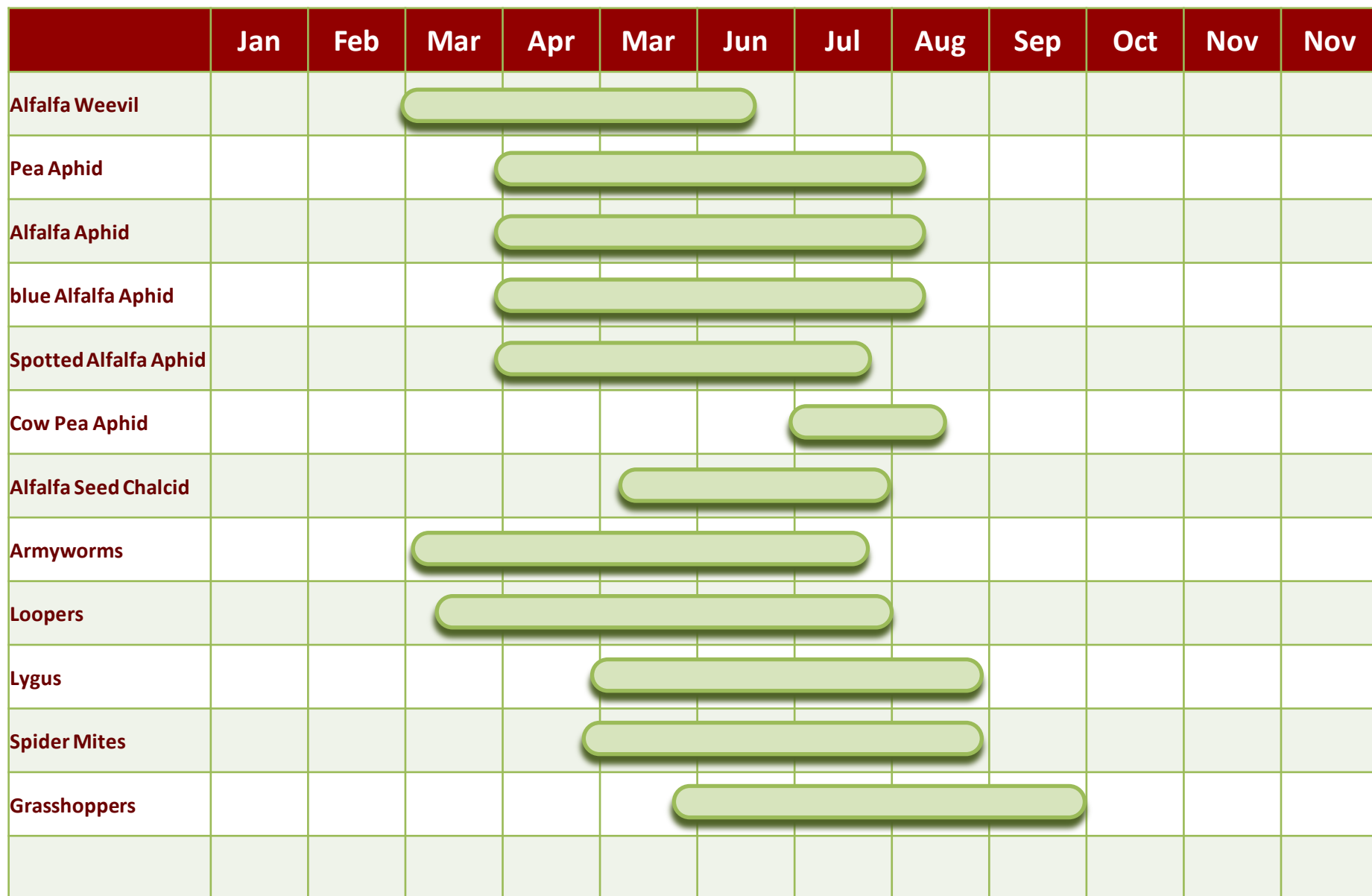
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EVALUATION

- Is the management program working?
 - What works?
 - What doesn't work?
- How much chemical is being used?
 - Are chemicals being reduced?
 - Are costs being reduced?
- How should program be adjusted





Sampling/monitoring tools

Clipboard –Keep all the scouting forms and field maps in one place.

Pencils –Carry a spare

Field maps –Jot notes, location pest problems and record observations

Scouting forms –Record sampling monitoring data, field history.

Hand lens –See and correctly identify pests, 10-20x

Pocket knife –Cutting shoots, scraping at trunks skinning berries.

Shovel /sturdy trowel –digging soil

Traps/ trap parts (lures) –There's always a broken/missing trap

Collection bags and vials –Send pest /damage samples to others

Camera –Send pest /damage photo to others for ID

References –field guides, fact sheets, pictures of pests/damage

GPS unit –relocate sample sites accurately