

## Effects of swim-with-dolphin tourism on the behaviour of a threatened species, the Burrunan dolphin *Tursiops australis*

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### Supplement

#### *Transition probabilities*

The transition probability,  $p_{ij}$ , between the preceding behavioural state  $i$  and the succeeding behavioural state  $j$  was estimated (Christiansen et al., 2010; Lusseau, 2003):

$$p_{ij} = \frac{a_{ij}}{\sum_{j=1}^n a_{ij}}, \sum_{j=1}^n p_{ij} = 1$$

where  $n$  is the total number of behavioural states (i.e. 4) and  $a_{ij}$  is the number of transitions observed from behavioural state  $i$  to  $j$ .

#### *Average bout length*

The average bout length (i.e. number of transitions that the dolphins spent in each behavioural state) of each behavioural state,  $t_{ii}$ , was estimated in the presence and absence of swim-with-dolphin vessels (Guttorp, 1995):

$$t_{ii} = \frac{1}{1 - p_{ii}}$$

where  $p_{ii}$  is the probability that a dolphin group remained in a given behavioural state at the next time step. By multiplying  $t_{ii}$  with the sample interval length (i.e. 3 min) the bout length, expressed in minutes, was derived. The standard error (SE) around each bout length estimate was calculated (Guttorp, 1995):

$$SE = \sqrt{\frac{p_{ii} * (1 - p_{ii})}{n_i}}$$

where  $n_i$  is the number of transitions with  $i$  as preceding behavioural state.

#### *Recovery time*

The average time it took a dolphin group to return to a given behavioural state, the recovery time, was estimated in the presence and absence of swim-with-dolphin vessels (Stockin et al., 2008):

$$E(T_j) = \frac{1}{\pi_j}$$

where  $T_j$  is the number of transitions required to return to state  $j$  given that the dolphins are currently in state  $j$ , and  $\pi$  is the steady-state probability of each behavioural state in the Markov chain. By multiplying  $T_j$  with the sample interval length (i.e. 3 min), the recovery time (min) was derived.

### *Cumulative behavioural budgets*

The cumulative behavioural budget was estimated as follows (Christiansen et al., 2010; Lusseau, 2003):

$$\text{Cumulative budget} = (a * \text{impact budget}) + (b * \text{control budget})$$

where  $a$  is the proportion of daytime hours (ranging from 0 to 1) that dolphins spend with swim-with-dolphin vessels (thus following a behavioural budget similar to the impact chain) on average throughout the year (cumulative interaction time/(365 days \* 12 hours \* 60 min)), and  $b$  is the remaining proportion of time per day ( $1-a$ ) that dolphins spend without swim-with-dolphin vessels present (thus following a behavioural budget similar to the control chain).

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