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| Several important advances toward a more unified theory of systematics and ecology are made since we finished the manuscript for the first edition. These include: (1) a more unified theory of phylogenetic systematics, (2) a more unified theory of historical ecology, (3) a more unified theory of macroecology, and (4) a more unified theory of ecosystem behavior. The most immediate application of these advances is to the field of macroecology, where they are used to improve the ability to predict ecosystem behavior based on historical data. They are also used to improve the ability to predict ecosystem behavior based on current data. The most immediate application of these advances is to the field of macroecology, where they are used to improve the ability to predict ecosystem behavior based on historical data. They are also used to improve the ability to predict ecosystem behavior based on current data. | |
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