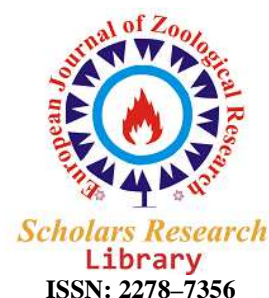




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Claims of potential expansion and future climatic scenarios for *Orius* species (Hemiptera: Anthocoridae) throughout Iran

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ABSTRACT

Orius Wolff 1811 occurs throughout Oriental, Ethiopian, Palaearctic, and Neotropical regions and feed on a wide range of insect pests. This study investigated habitat suitability for 15 species of *Orius* under current and future climates throughout Iran using a Maxent modeling approach, combining presence-only field data with climate derived variables. To produce the models, samples were collected from 310 localities where the *Orius* was found. The accuracy and performance of distribution models were also evaluated by the area under receiver operating characteristic curve and jackknife analysis. In the Maxent model, the climatic and elevation were the major bases for the current models. In modeling future distribution, the elevation was excluded. Precipitation of the wettest period was significantly important within the model. The potential distribution of the *Orius* species under variable climates exceeded the current distribution in some areas of Iran, notably the northwestern and northeastern regions. Under future scenarios, the climatically suitable areas for *Orius* species globally were projected to expand.

Keywords: Bioclimatic variables, Distribution modeling, Maxent, Niche modeling, *Orius*, Species composition

INTRODUCTION

Orius Wolff 1811, known as minute pirate bugs (Heteroptera; Cimicomorpha), contains about 70 described species which are distributed throughout a wide range of ecological habitats in Oriental, Ethiopian, Palaearctic, and Neotropical regions [21, 24].

The members of this genus have attracted the attention of entomologists as effective polyphagous predators of important agricultural pests in various agro-ecosystems worldwide [23, 40]. Some species, such as *Orius laevigatus* Fieber, 1860 and *Orius albidipennis* Reuter, 1884, are commercially produced and extensively used in biological control programs in both greenhouses and naturally occurring crops throughout the world [42, 23]. Any new information on the ecological and biological aspects of these predators, including distribution modeling in their current natural habitats and the impact of global warming on their future distribution, can help scientists to design better biological control programs which will consequently result in their more effective usage in pest control programs.

Ecological niche modeling is an effective method for predicting species ranges. It uses local information on the presence of organisms combined with local climatic data to generate models for identifying potential habitats and to assess the likely impact of potential future climate change on species distribution inhabiting the same or similar environmental space [34, 20]. Such methods have been used in Lepidoptera, Diptera, Coleoptera and, to a lesser extent, in Hemiptera to generate both current range and future predictions based on models of global climate change [4].

Maximum entropy implemented in the program MaxEnt [33] is a method prevalently used in distribution prediction modeling. It takes a limited dataset of presence localities [7] and climatic variables from the widely used Worldclim database [19] and fits a statistical distribution to those points to describe and predict a fundamental ecological niche. Additionally, projecting these models onto the future climate dataset represents climatic change scenarios. This allows us to examine the potential effects of global climate change on the predicted future distribution of *Orius*.

For this study, we selected Iran because of its many different climate regions. Iran can be divided into at least four different climate zones, so this area seemed suitable for ecological niche modeling studies. Despite numerous records [e.g. 31, 28, 25, 8, 9, 18] showing the wide distribution of the *Orius* species no information is available on the predicted distribution of the genus in different climates of the country.

Our objectives were to: (1) predict suitable habitats for current and future distribution of *Orius* species in different climates of Iran; and (2) identify the impact of environmental factors, especially global warming, on *Orius*'s habitat distribution in order to understand the interaction between environmental factors and the success of conservation biological control.

MATERIALS AND METHODS

Species data

Approximately 8,000 *Orius* specimens were collected from 126 localities covering different climates of Iran [14] using nets, aspirators, and white sample trays during 2010–2012. A dataset compiled from a variety of taxonomic and faunal studies [26, 27, 28, 25, 8, 9, 11, 18] and the records of the species deposited in the Hayk Mirzayans Insect Museum (HMIM) (Iranian Research Institute of Plant Protection) were added to the final dataset. We then georeferenced each locality, assigned coordinates of latitude and longitude and estimated possible error using original publications by GPS, which led to 310 unique localities (unique latitude–longitude combinations) (Appendix A). These points were mapped for the presence of *Orius* species using ArcMap (Version 9.3) (Fig.1).

The species were identified by examining the morphology of the male genital organ according to the keys of [30, 15, 12, 8].

Ecological Niche Modeling

We modeled the potential distribution of *Orius* species throughout Iran in both current and potential future environments using the maximum entropy method of ecological niche modeling (MaxEnt ver. 3.3.3e).

We used the WorldClim dataset [19, 41] comprising nineteen temperature and precipitation variables and altitude interpolated across Iran at up to 30 second (1 km²) resolution (Table 1). In order to estimate the effect of global climate change on the potential distribution of *Orius* species, the same variables were used to characterize the potential future climate in 2050 based on Global Climate Models (GCMs), CSIRO-Mk3.0 [16] with the A1B scenarios (IPCC, 2000).

A randomly selected 75% of the data were used for model training, and the remaining data (25%) were used for model testing. The software settings were the same as those followed by [35]. Statistical significance tests were also applied using Maxent and related GIS software, ArcMap version 9.3.

The resulting model was evaluated with the area under the receiver operating characteristic (ROC) curve [17, 33]. The area under the curve (AUC) statistic as a threshold-independent measure of the performance of a model with a range from 0.5 to 1.0 was used to indicate model prediction occurrences and perfect predictions, respectively [3, 33]. Jackknife analysis was used to estimate the contribution of each variable based on the performance of the model [32]. ArcGIS 9.3 was used to process and visualize the final map.

RESULTS

A total of 15 *Orius* species from 48% of Iran's climates were identified (Table 2). Of these species, *O. niger* and *O. albidipennis* were found in 91% and 82% of the climatic regions, respectively, while *O. perpunctatus*, *O. maxidentex* and *O. majusculus* were limited to only a few climatic regions (Tables 2 and 3; Fig. 1).

The results from the MaxEnt ecological niche modeling predicted the current distribution of the species in the genus (Fig. 2a). Within its putative current range, portions of northeastern and northwestern Iran were predicted to be suitable habitats for the genus. In other portions of the genus's known range, occurrences were correctly predicted in the north, parts of the northwest and southwest and small parts of northeastern Iran (Fig. 2a).

The results of the global climate change models including CSIRO-Mk3.0 emission scenarios for the potential distribution of *Orius* species for the year 2050 are illustrated in Figure 2b. As the figure shows, the model predicted a future replacement from the northeast and the northwest and an expansion of the genus distribution towards southern Iran in the future.

Main Variables in the Species' Distribution Models

The most important explanatory variable was 'Precipitation of the Wettest Period (Bio13)', with 'Precipitation of Wettest Quarter (Bio16)' and 'Annual Precipitation (Bio12)' collectively contributing 15.2% to the model output (Fig. 3). The response curves for 'Precipitation of Wettest Period' and 'Precipitation of Wettest Quarter' showed that areas with a precipitation range of 50 – 300 mm during the wettest period and 150-800 mm during the wettest quarter had the highest predicted suitability. 'Annual Precipitation' with a range of 200-1400 mm also led to a higher probability of presence after those variables mentioned above. The AUC value for training data was 0.959 (mean [SD] 0.005), indicating a high level of accuracy for the Maxent predictions.

DISCUSSION

Species composition and climate data

Among 15 *Orius* species, *O. niger*, *O. albidipennis*, and *O. laevigatus* were the species most frequently found in different climates of Iran with some overlap of geographic range in Iran's plateau.

Our results indicated that *O. niger* comprised about 91% of all *Orius* species collected. In this survey, *O. niger* was present in all regional climates except arid, cold winter, and warm summer (Table 3). The presence of *O. niger* detected by the present study is consistent with similar trends found by [5] and [36]. *O. niger* has adapted to a wide range of habitat and temperature conditions and is widely distributed throughout the Palearctic region [30, 5]. This fact supports the notion that this species dominates in different climate regions.

In this study, *O. albidipennis* was present in 82% of the climatic regions (Table 3) and was widely distributed in central and southern Iran. The presence of the desert-adapted *O. albidipennis* was found in the present survey to be considerably high in the arid to semi-arid regions, especially in central, south, and southwestern Iran. This finding is in accordance with other reports of *O. albidipennis* distribution [13]. *O. albidipennis* is native to the Mediterranean Basin and East Africa [37]. This distribution pattern in locations with diverse climates implies that this species is highly adaptable to a range of arid to hyper-arid climates [30, 36].

Orius laevigatus was observed in semi-arid to semi-humid climates, suggesting that it is tolerant of a wide range of climatic conditions (Table 3). Our results show that *O. laevigatus* preferred habitats with cool to mild winters and warm to very warm summers (Table 3), a finding consistent with results of [1] and [38]. [38] also pointed out that this biocontrol agent is frequently found in warm localities, including southern European habitats with mild winters. This species has also been recorded in the Black Sea, Mediterranean, Atlantic Britain coasts, and the Canary Islands [13]. This study implied that these biocontrol agents could be considered as good candidates for introduction into new localities for pest control.

Current Distribution and Climate Scenarios

The most common strategy for estimating the actual or potential geographic distribution of a species is to characterize the environmental conditions that are suitable for the species, and then to identify where suitable environments are distributed in space [29]. The models generated using 19 climatic variables indicated ranges for

Orius that are consistent with the known extent of taxon's distribution (Fig. 2a). The north, parts of the northwest, southwest, and small parts of the northeast of Iran were predicted as suitable habitats for *Orius*. A detailed evaluation of the bioclimatic variables indicated that these regions have higher annual precipitation than neighboring areas, and thus they could be considered as promising areas for further biocontrol programs and the introduction of these natural enemies. According to the rate of contribution of climatic variables (Fig. 3), annual precipitation and two other variables (e.g. bio 13 and bio 16) were the most important factors for defining the current distribution model of the *Orius* species. The general structure of the Iranian agriculture sector, consisting predominantly of smallholder farming systems, provides the species its food and pollen needs. Small farms are separated by wild marginal plants which make semi-natural ecosystems around the main crops that are very rich sources of wild flowers and good refuges for these natural enemies [2, 6, 39, 40].

Some regions with no records of *Orius* species presence were also predicted to have suitable climate conditions, including the northeast and northwestern Iran which is dominated by a semiarid-cool-warm (SA-C-W) climate composition. These areas may have been predicted as a result of imperfections in the predictions of our models; or to a lack of records for *Orius* at locations because of insufficient samples. However, these regions may truly be suitable, and other climatic or biotic factors may be limiting the dispersal of the *Orius* species to those areas.

According to future scenarios for 2050, northern and southwestern Iran is predicted to remain suitable habitats for the *Orius* species. Additionally, a large portion of suitable environmental space is predicted to become available in southern Iran under the models of potential global climate change (Fig. 2b) which are dominated by an arid-mild winter- very warm summer (A-M-VW) climate composition. This was a somewhat unexpected result, as southern Iran, which is dominated by an A-M-VW climate, is too dry, having low annual precipitation (below 200 mm falling almost entirely in winter). The A-M-VW climate has high relative humidity (60% to 80%), suggesting that *Orius* species may inhabit southern regions of Iran by 2050 [10]. In these future scenarios, suitable areas start disappearing from the northeast and the northwest. In fact, based on our analysis, these areas seem not to be climate-suitable because of climatic changes. Climate change is evident from the increase in global average temperatures, changes in rainfall patterns, and the occurrence of extreme climatic events [22]. Some regions were projected to be climatically unsuitable as a consequence of global warming, such as temperature stress in the eastern region of Iran.

In conclusion, this research raises the issue of the impacts of climate change, which can be useful in expanding *Orius* distributions towards the southern and western parts of Iran, but also altering the location of the genus *Orius* as proposed over the next years.

Appendix A. locality Lat/Long for *Orius* species presence records

Species	X	Y
<i>Orius albidipennis</i>	52.58694444	29.61166667
<i>Orius albidipennis</i>	52.43888889	29.96972222
<i>Orius albidipennis</i>	52.57361111	28.61333333
<i>Orius albidipennis</i>	52	29.96666667
<i>Orius albidipennis</i>	52.65222222	29.2725
<i>Orius albidipennis</i>	52.72166667	29.1975
<i>Orius albidipennis</i>	52.69416667	29.57583333
<i>Orius albidipennis</i>	52.14833333	29.67138889
<i>Orius albidipennis</i>	52.43333333	30.2
<i>Orius albidipennis</i>	52.68083333	29.98944444
<i>Orius albidipennis</i>	54.32777778	29.19888889
<i>Orius albidipennis</i>	53.03205556	28.48494444
<i>Orius albidipennis</i>	53.23027778	29.26055556
<i>Orius albidipennis</i>	52.65694444	29.41861111
<i>Orius albidipennis</i>	52.72361111	29.77416667
<i>Orius albidipennis</i>	52.43888889	29.96972222
<i>Orius albidipennis</i>	52.52583889	29.63608056
<i>Orius albidipennis</i>	52.68083333	29.98944444
<i>Orius albidipennis</i>	53.20194444	28.96888889
<i>Orius albidipennis</i>	54.32777778	29.19888889
<i>Orius albidipennis</i>	51.98315556	30.26028611
<i>Orius albidipennis</i>	52.59014167	30.07322778
<i>Orius albidipennis</i>	52.52583889	29.63608056
<i>Orius albidipennis</i>	53.20194444	28.96888889

<i>Orius albidipennis</i>	51.69	29.205
<i>Orius albidipennis</i>	53.32083333	29.50111111
<i>Orius albidipennis</i>	53.20194444	28.96888889
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<i>Orius albidipennis</i>	53.20194444	28.96888889
<i>Orius albidipennis</i>	51.98315556	30.26028611
<i>Orius albidipennis</i>	52.47083333	29.77138889
<i>Orius albidipennis</i>	52.47083333	29.82138889
<i>Orius albidipennis</i>	53.32083333	29.50111111
<i>Orius albidipennis</i>	50.45212222	33.91476111
<i>Orius albidipennis</i>	56.26777778	27.18027778
<i>Orius albidipennis</i>	57.18694444	27.44666667
<i>Orius albidipennis</i>	59.53666667	36.32305556
<i>Orius albidipennis</i>	51.58485556	35.79991944
<i>Orius albidipennis</i>	52.61333333	29.58472222
<i>Orius albidipennis</i>	57.08416667	30.29388889
<i>Orius albidipennis</i>	61.50111111	31.02861111
<i>Orius albidipennis</i>	50.86444444	32.32555556
<i>Orius albidipennis</i>	48.51583333	34.79611111
<i>Orius albidipennis</i>	54.43611111	36.83944444
<i>Orius albidipennis</i>	52.42166667	29.74777778
<i>Orius albidipennis</i>	52.68083333	29.98944444
<i>Orius albidipennis</i>	49.45694444	36.85944444
<i>Orius albidipennis</i>	56.28083333	27.31611111
<i>Orius albidipennis</i>	56.36277778	27.2425
<i>Orius albidipennis</i>	57.18694444	27.44666667
<i>Orius albidipennis</i>	52.57361111	28.61333333
<i>Orius albidipennis</i>	53.03205556	28.48494444
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<i>Orius albidipennis</i>	51.69	29.205
<i>Orius albidipennis</i>	53.23027778	29.26055556
<i>Orius albidipennis</i>	52.68083333	29.98944444
<i>Orius albidipennis</i>	52.75583333	29.81777778
<i>Orius albidipennis</i>	52.69416667	29.57583333
<i>Orius albidipennis</i>	52.66583333	29.74888889
<i>Orius albidipennis</i>	52.42166667	29.74777778
<i>Orius albidipennis</i>	52.47083333	29.77138889
<i>Orius albidipennis</i>	52.53916667	29.62916667
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<i>Orius albidipennis</i>	51.65416667	29.61555556
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<i>Orius albidipennis</i>	52.57853333	29.56165
<i>Orius albidipennis</i>	52.76388889	29.84361111
<i>Orius albidipennis</i>	52.58694444	29.72833333
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Fig.1. Location map of *Orius* species in 23 climates of Iran

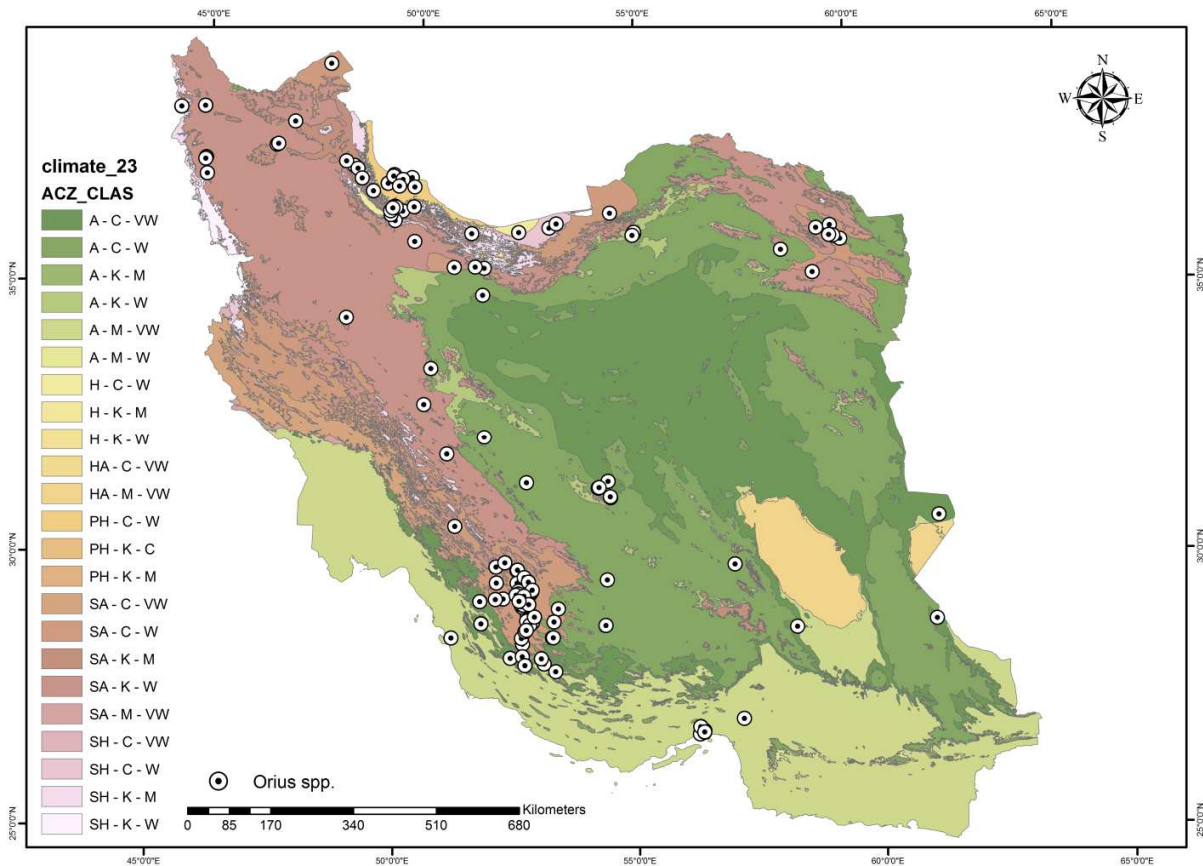


Fig. 2a. Current suitability of *Orius* species areas

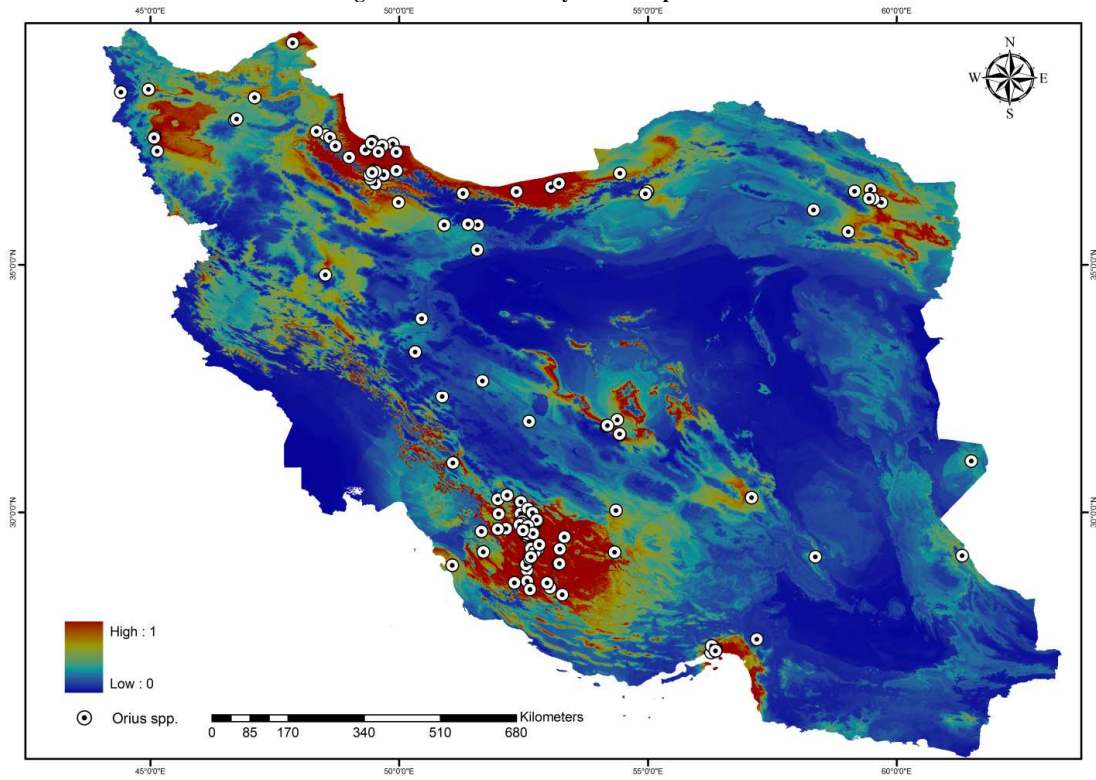


Fig. 2b. Future suitability of *Orius* species areas

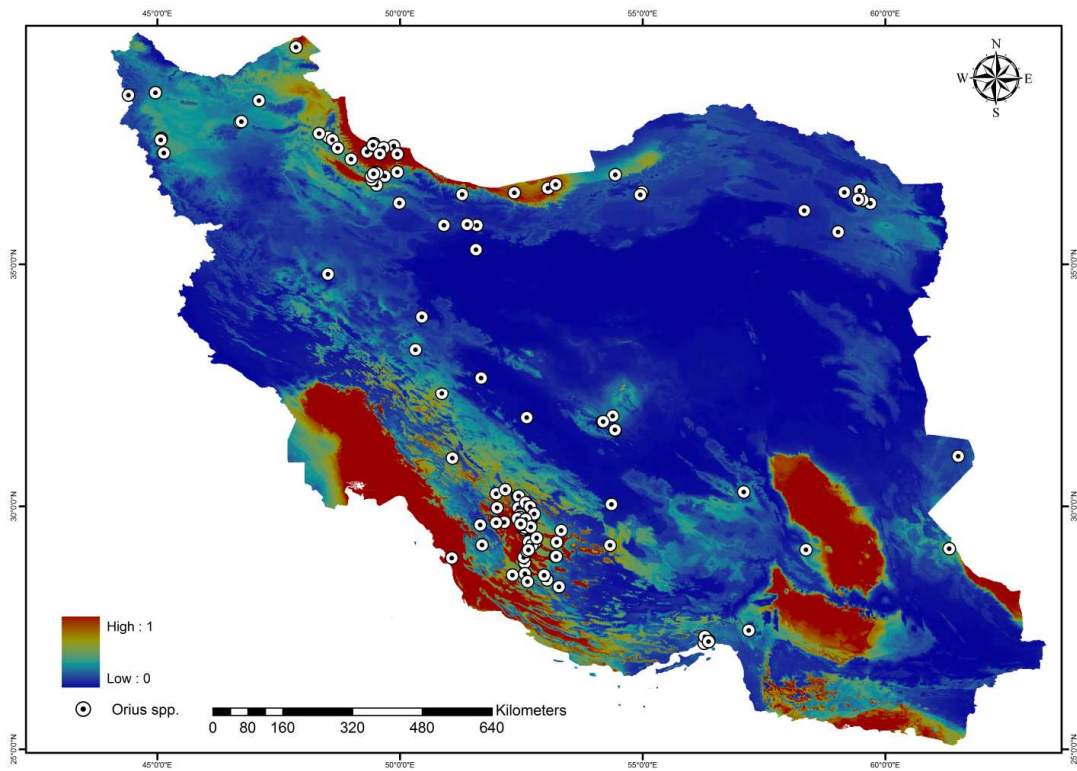


Table 1. Selected environmental variables in Maxent model for *Orius* species in Iran

Bioclimatic variables	
bio1	(Annual mean temperature)
bio2	(Mean diurnal range)
bio3	(Isothermality)
bio4	(Temperature seasonality)
bio5	(Max temperature of warmest period)
bio6	(Min temperature of coldest period)
bio7	(Temperature annual range)
bio8	(Mean temperature of wettest quarter)
bio9	(Mean temperature of driest quarter)
bio10	(Mean temperature of warmest quarter)
bio11	(Mean temperature of coldest quarter)
bio12	(Annual precipitation)
bio13	(Precipitation of wettest period)
bio14	(Precipitation of driest period)
bio15	(Precipitation seasonality)
bio16	(Precipitation of wettest quarter)
bio17	(Precipitation of driest quarter)
bio18	(Precipitation of Warmest quarter)
bio19	(Precipitation of coldest quarter)
alt	(Altitude)

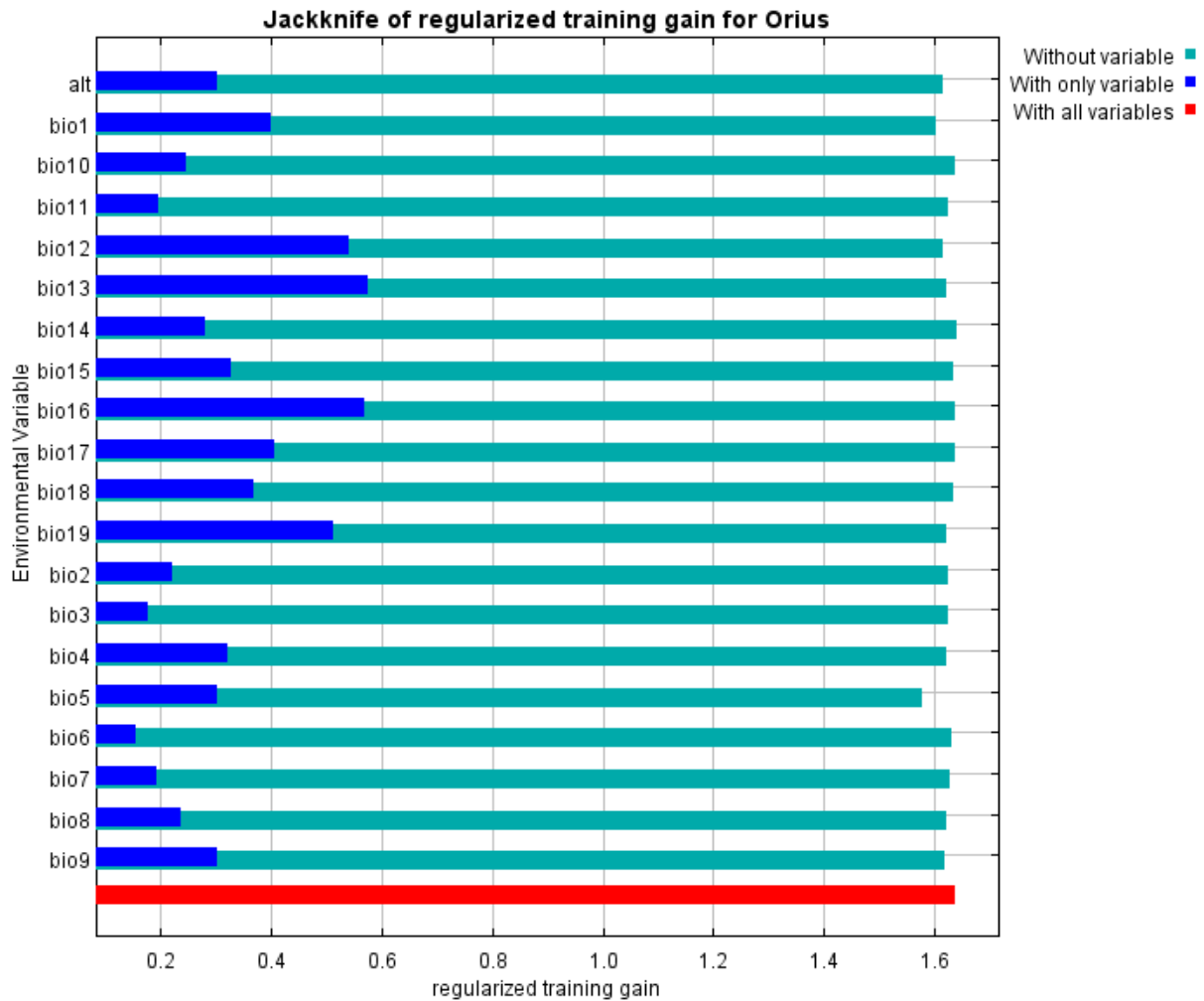


Fig. 3. Jackknife of the regularized training gain (Maxent model): without variable (light blue), with only variable (blue), with all variables (red)

Table 2. Collection localities of *Orius* species and their percent distribution in 23 climates of Iran

Species	Climates	Percentage of species
<i>Orius niger</i>	A-C-VW/ A-C-W/ A-M-VW/ H-C-W/ PH-C-W/ SA-C-W/ SA-K-M/ SA-K-W/ SH-C-W/ SH-K-W	91%
<i>Orius albidipennis</i>	A-C-VW/ A-C-W/ A-K-W/ A-M-VW/ H-C-W/ PH-C-W/ SA-C-W/ SA-K-W/ SH-C-W	82%
<i>Orius laevigatus</i>	A-C-VW/ A-C-W/ A-M-VW/ H-C-W/ PH-C-W/ SA-C-W/ SH-C-W	64%
<i>Orius horvathi</i>	A-C-VW/ A-C-W/ SA-C-W/ SA-K-M/ SA-K-W/ SH-K-W	55%
<i>Orius vicinus</i>	A-C-VW/ A-C-W/ PH-C-W/ SA-C-W/ SA-K-W/ SH-C-W	55%
<i>Orius laticollis</i>	A-C-W/ PH-C-W/ SA-C-W	28%
<i>Orius pallidicornis</i>	A-C-W/ A-M-VW	19%
<i>Orius perpunctatus</i>	SA-C-W	10%
<i>Orius minutus</i>	PH-C-W/ SA-C-W/ SA-K-M/ SA-K-W	37%
<i>Orius retamae</i>	A-C-VW/ A-C-W/ A-M-VW	28%
<i>Orius bulgaconus</i>	H-C-W/ SA-K-W	19%
<i>Orius maxidentex</i>	A-M-VW	10%
<i>Orius majusculus</i>	PH-C-W	10%
<i>Orius</i> sp.	SA-K-W	10%
<i>Orius</i> sp.	A-M-VW	

Table 3. Description of the 23 Climates of Iran, including Moisture, Winter and Summer

Climates codes	Moisture	Winter	Summer
A-C-VW	Arid	Cool	Very Warm
A-C-W	Arid	Cool	Warm
A-K-M	Arid	Cold	Mild
A-K-W	Arid	Cold	Warm
A-M-VW	Arid	Mild	Very Warm
A-M-W	Arid	Mild	Warm
H-C-W	Humid	Cool	Warm
H-K-M	Humid	Cold	Mild
H-K-W	Humid	Cold	Warm
HA-C-VW	Hyper Arid	Cool	Very Warm
HA-M-VW	Hyper Arid	Mild	Very Warm
PH-C-W	Post Humid	Cool	Warm
PH-K-C	Post Humid	Cold	Cool
PH-K-M	Post Humid	Cold	Mild
SA- C-VW	Semi Arid	Cool	Very Warm
SA-C-W	Semi Arid	Cool	Warm
SA-K-M	Semi Arid	Cold	Mild
SA-K-W	Semi Arid	Cold	Warm
SA-M-VW	Semi Arid	Mild	Very Warm
SH-C-VW	Semi Humid	Cool	Very Warm
SH-C-W	Semi Humid	Cool	Warm
SH-K-M	Semi Humid	Cold	Mild
SH-K-W	Semi Humid	Cold	Warm

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