



Projecting Growth and Yield

Scales that we consider.

Growth over time at the

Individual tree level.

Stand growth

# Factors that influence growth

Abiotic factors |

Stand factors

- Cl. mate

Density

- Soil

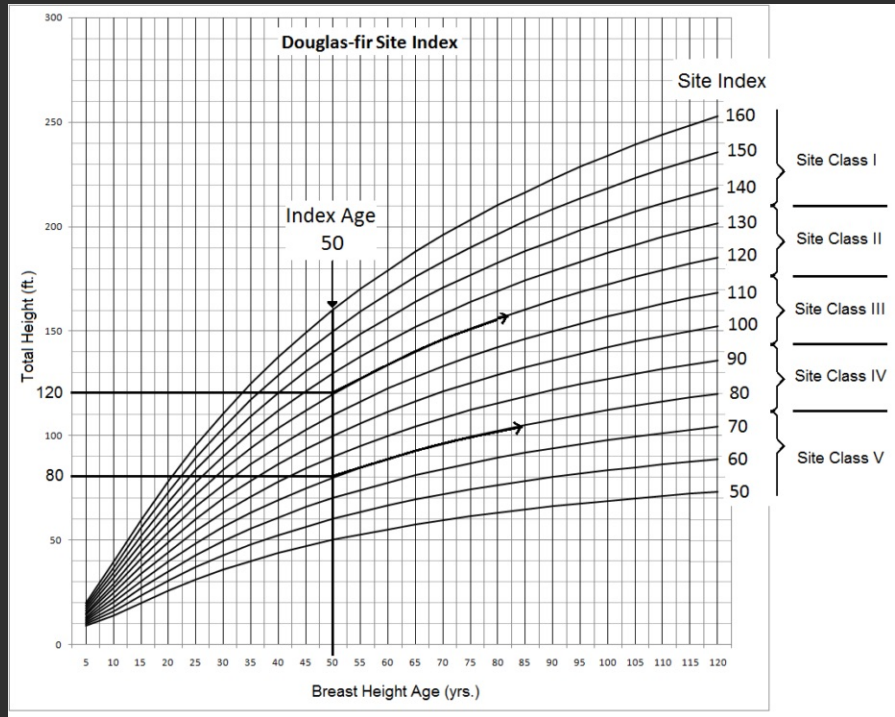
→ Competition

- Light

# Site Index

→ Average height of trees that  
dominate/codominate

for a given  
age.



# Stand Density Index (SDI)

$SDI_{MAX}$  = The maximum density for tree size before stem exclusion occurs. Assuming commercial forestry!

$$\log_{10}(N) = -1.605(\log_{10} D) + k$$

$N = \text{TPA (density)}$        $D = \text{QMD}$

when  $QMD = 10$

$$\log_{10} SDI = -1.605(1) + k$$

$$k = \log_{10} SDI + 1.605$$

$$\log_{10} SDI = \log_{10} N + 1.605 - 1.605(\log_{10} D)$$


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constant  
 for each  
 species.

$$\log_{10} SDI = \log_{10} N \pm (6.05 / \log_{10} D) - 1.605$$

$$\frac{ft^2}{ac} \quad \text{in} = \text{dis}$$

$$D = \underline{11.05} \quad 1.04$$

QMD =

$$\frac{ba \quad 100}{\frac{tpu \quad 150}{0.003454154}} = 122$$

What is SDI of a stand

where  $\rho_A = 100 \text{ kg/m}^3$

↑  
Avg tree diameter

diameter

for a basal area

$$\log_{10} SDI = 2.25 \quad \text{and density } \rho = 150 \text{ TPA}$$

$$\log_{10} X = 70^X$$

$$SDI = 10^{2.25}$$

$$= 177.83$$

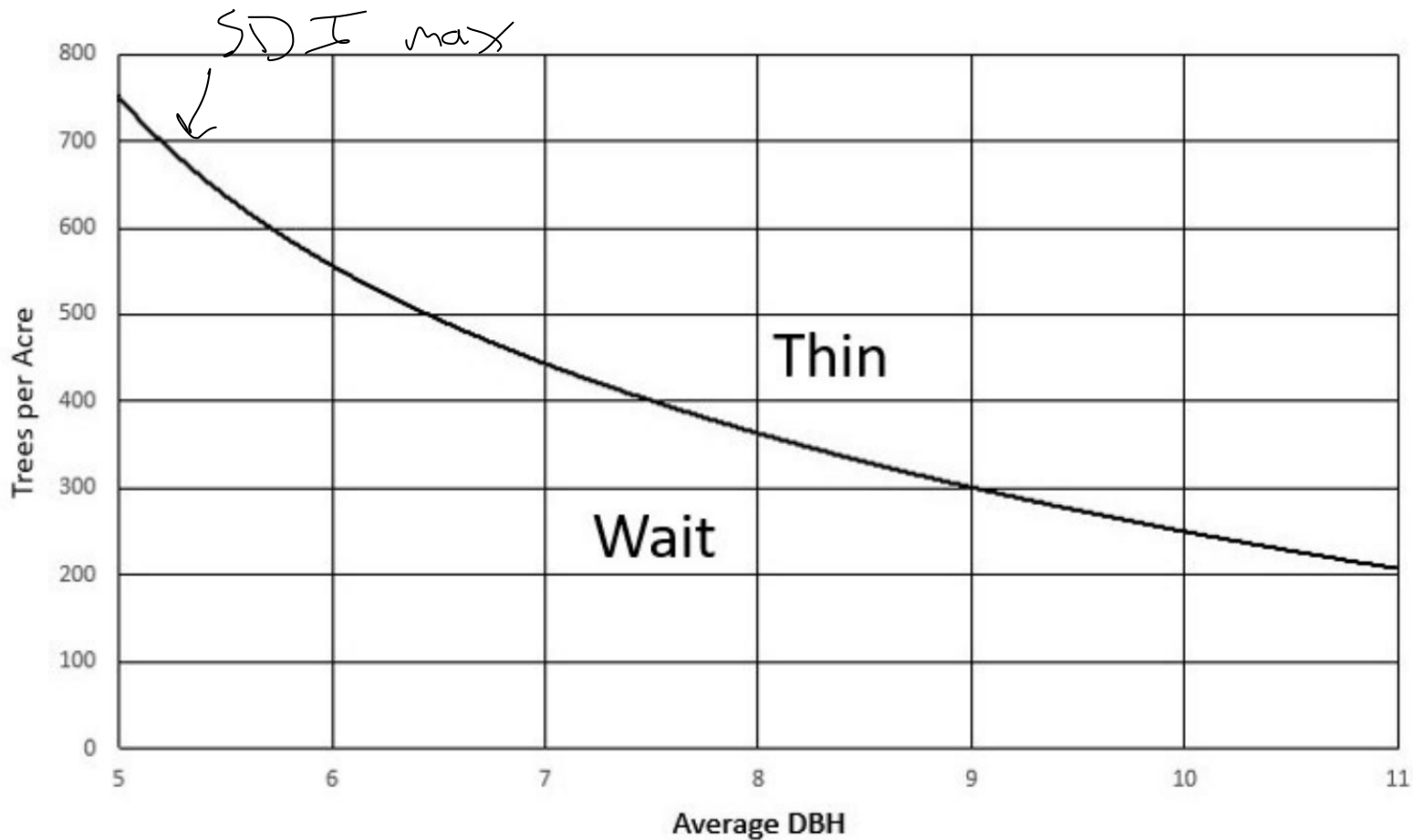
If  $SDI > SDI_{max}$

then overstoked.

If  $SDI < SDI_{max}$  then

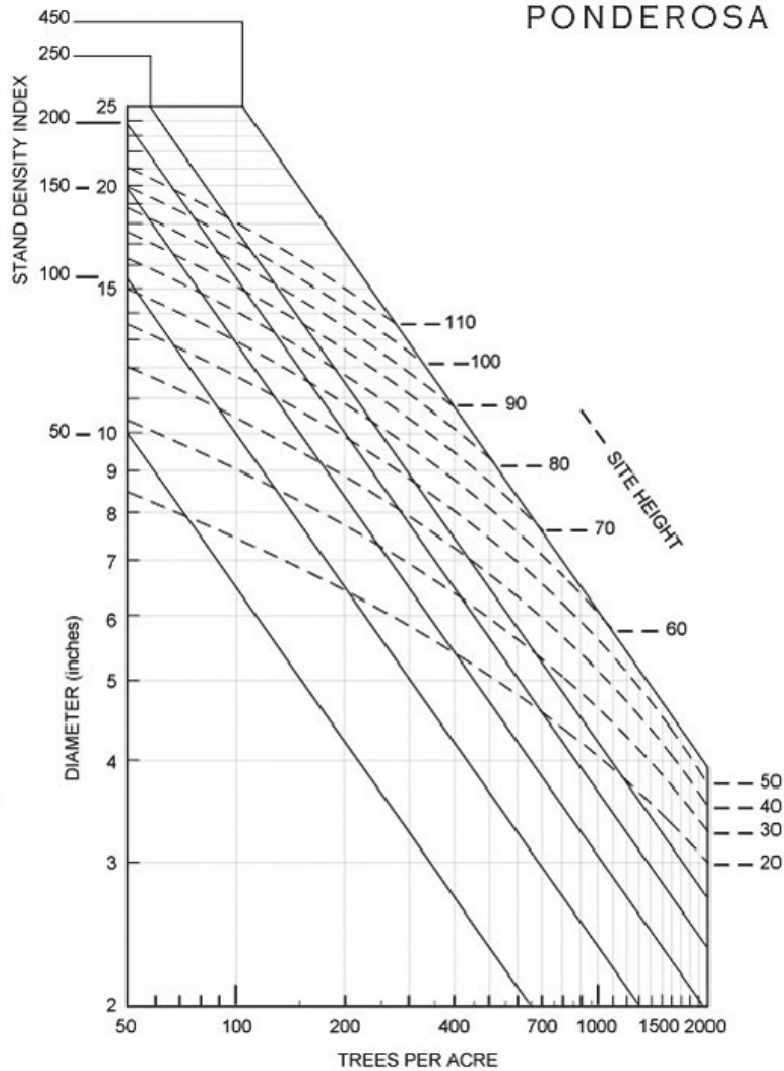
room for growth

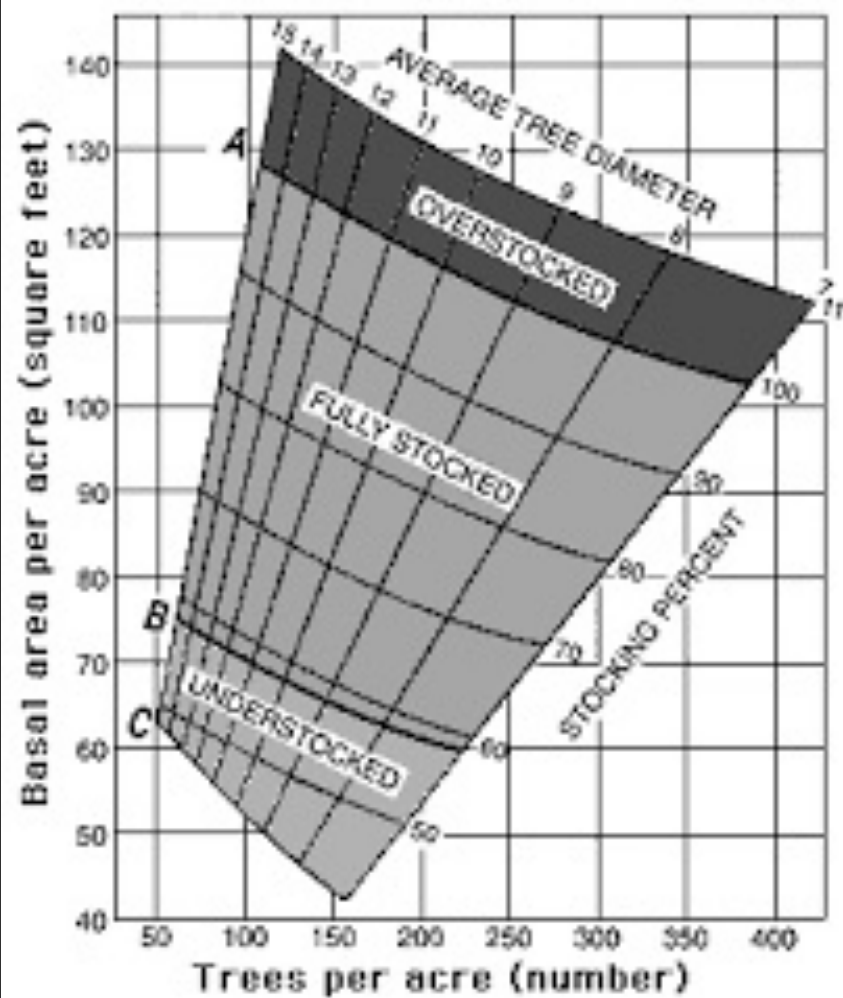






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Growth . . . into the future

$$Y=1.6689+0.041066BA-0.00016303BA_2-0.076958A+0.00022741A_2+0.06441S$$

Potential Growth

$$PG_1 = b_1 \cdot SI \cdot \left[ 1.0 - e^{\overbrace{(-b_2 \cdot D)}^{\text{convergence modifier}}} \right] \dots e^{-b_3 \cdot BA}$$

Successional ...

$$S = 1 - \left[ 1 / (1 + en) \right]^x$$

$$n = c_1 + c_2 \cdot (D + 1)^{c_3} + e^{c_4 \cdot P - c_5 BA}$$

