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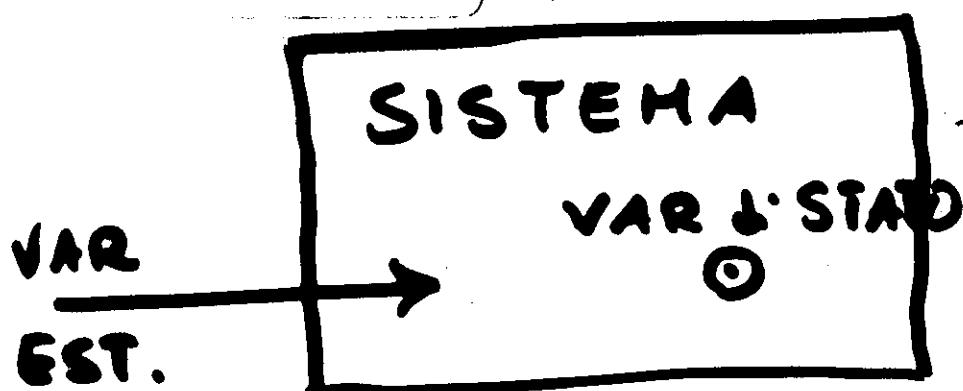
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## AMBIENTE

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VARIABILI ESTERNE & FORZANTI

fusione li controllo  
campi di variazibilità

VARIABILI DI SCATO

dipendenti e indipendenti  
campi di variazibilità

EQUAZIONI

! cfr. molti precisi

CONSTANTI

valori dipendenti solo da massa di massa

PARAMETRI

a valori diversi: diversi ampiezze di variaz.

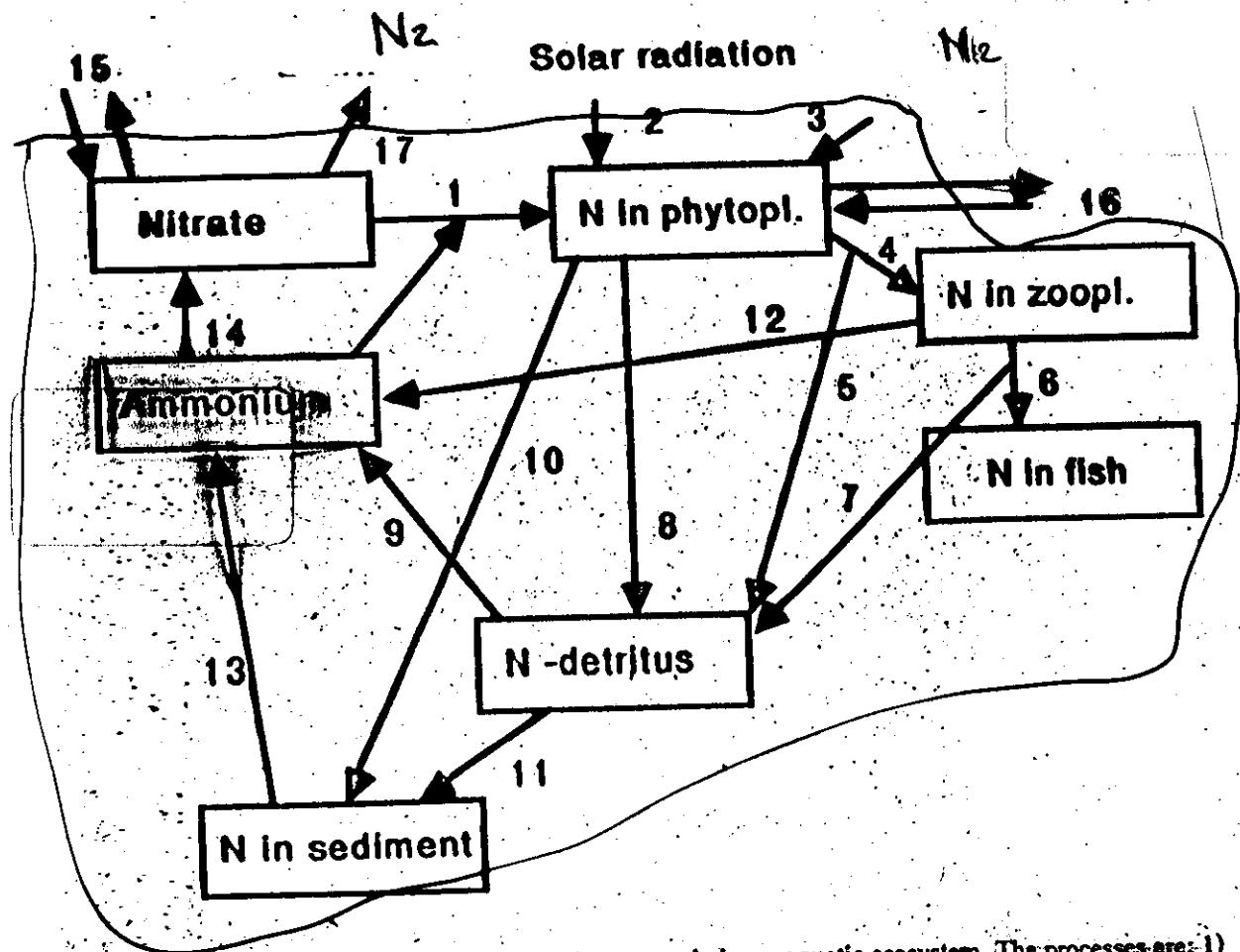


Fig. 2.1: The conceptual diagram of a nitrogen cycle in an aquatic ecosystem. The processes are: 1) uptake of nitrate and ammonium by algae; 2) photosynthesis; 3) nitrogen fixation; 4) grazing with loss of undigested matter; 5), 6) and 7) are predation and loss of undigested matter; 8) mortality; 9) mineralization; 10) settling of algae; 11) settling of detritus; 12) excretion of ammonium from zooplankton; 13) release of nitrogen from the sediment; 14) nitrification; 15) and 16) are inputs/outputs; and 17) denitrification.

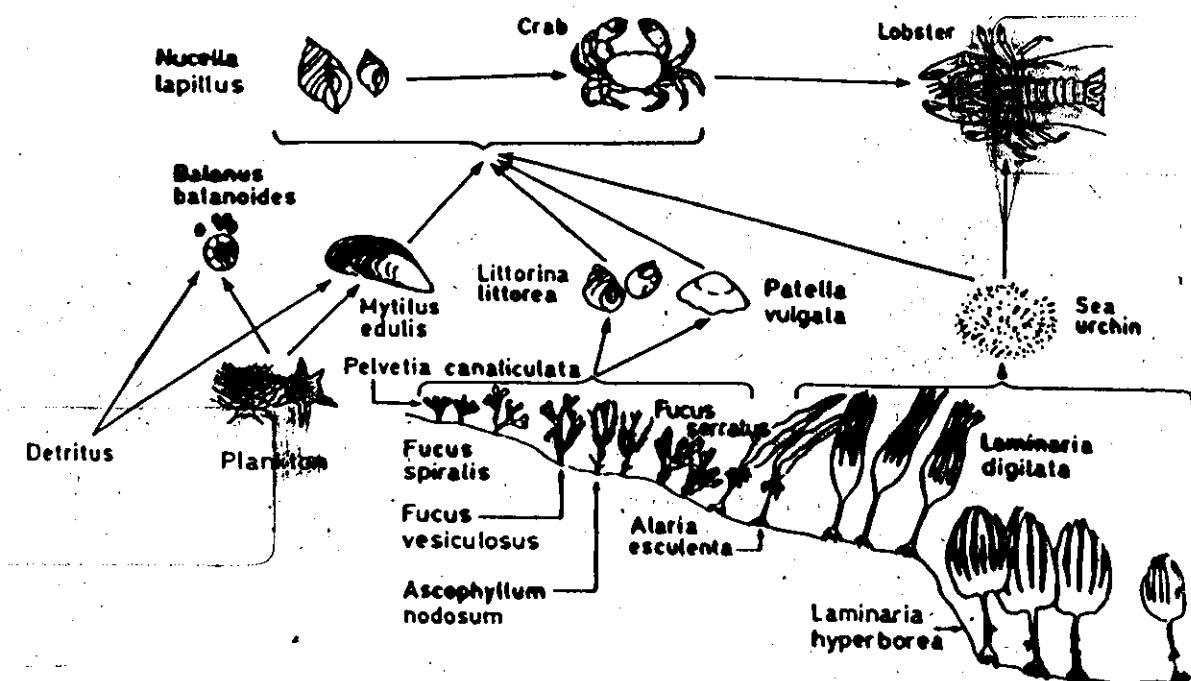


Fig. 3.6: Generalized food webs of the Hardangerfjord rocky shores (reproduced from Seip, 1983).

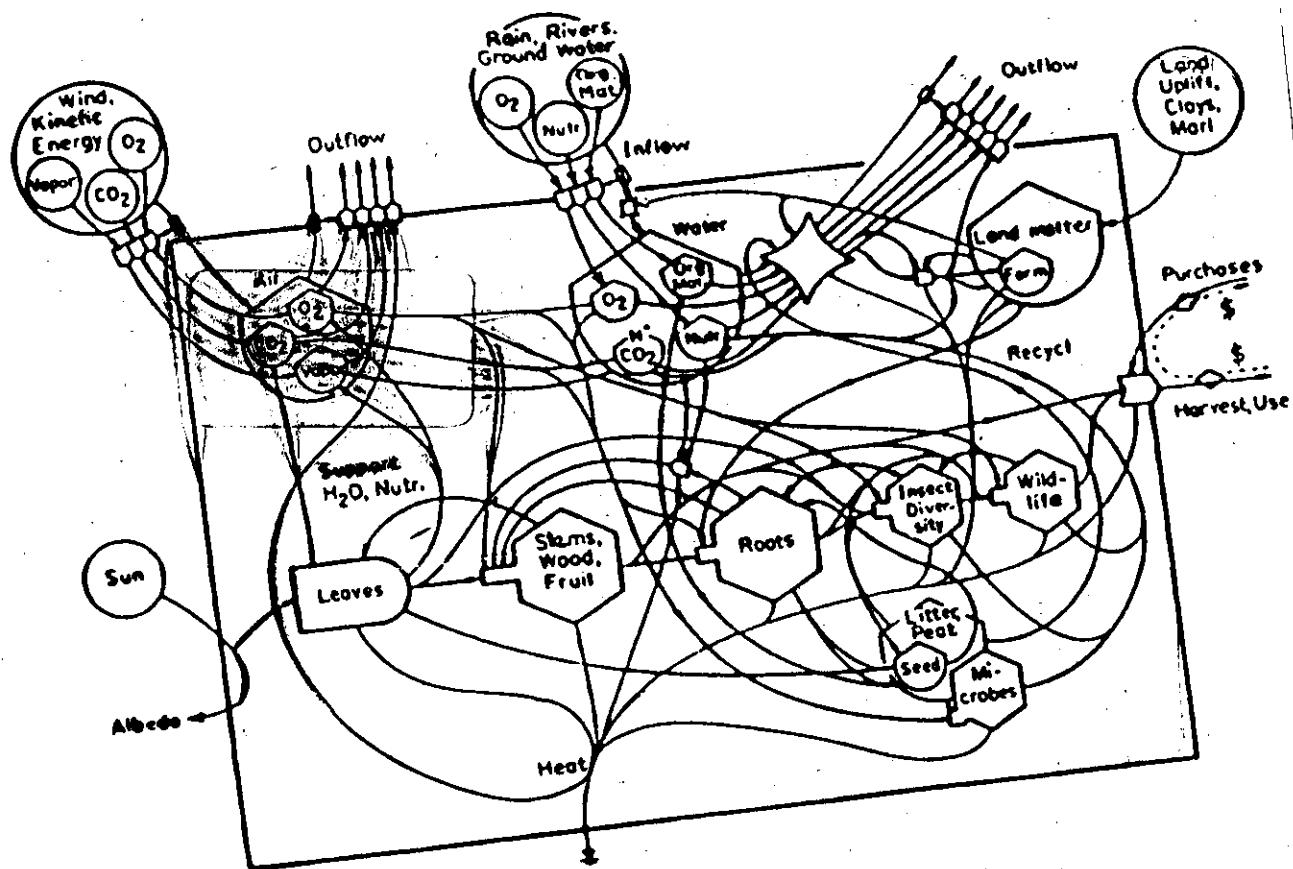
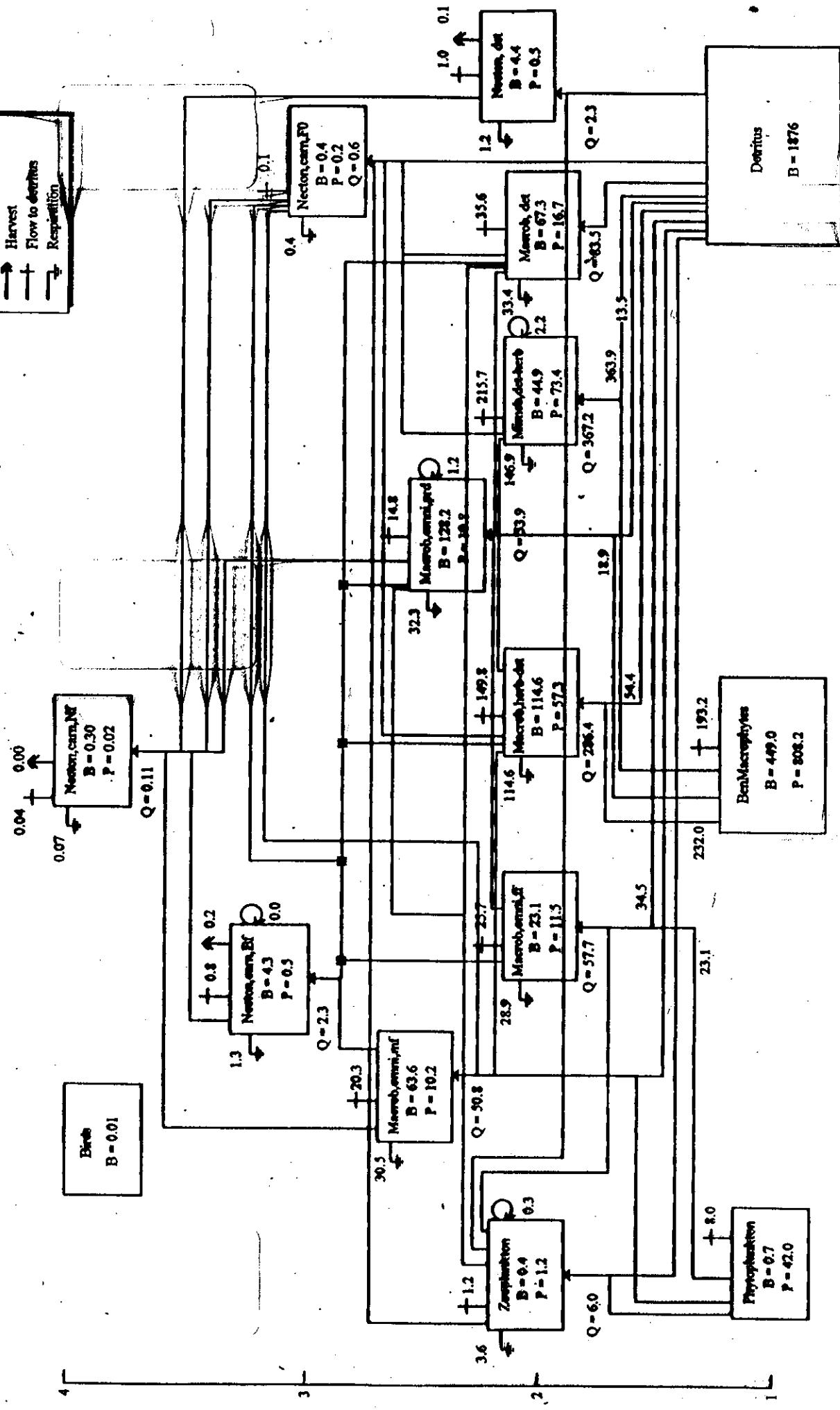
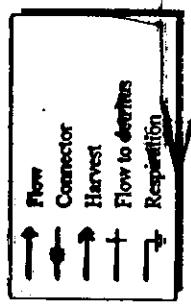
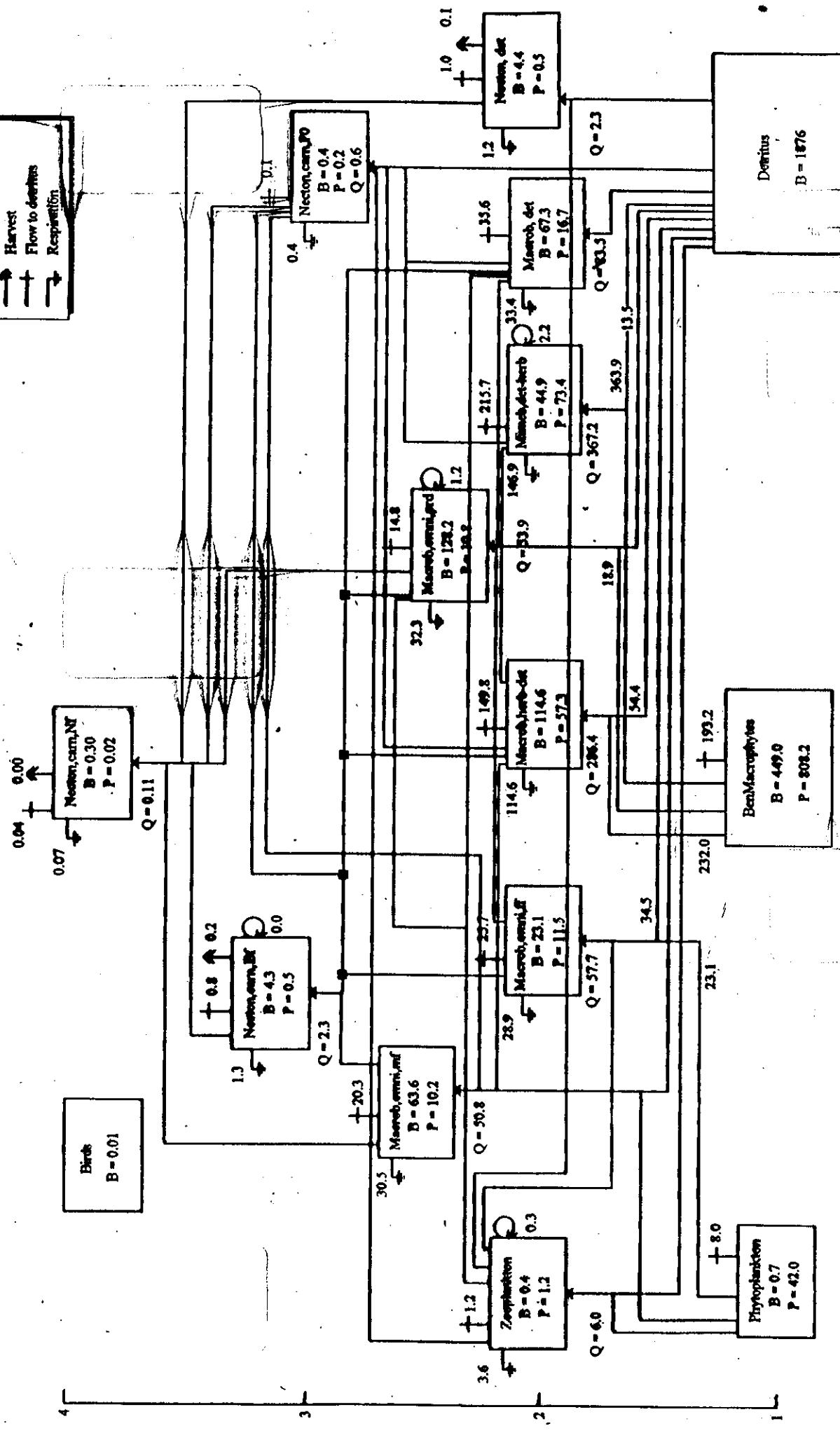
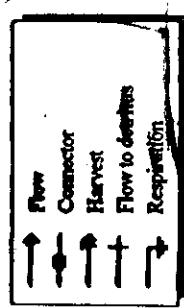


Fig. 3.13: General conceptual energy circuit model of a floodplain swamp (from Odum 1983).



Padule della Rossa - Estate 1994 - Kestrel2 model

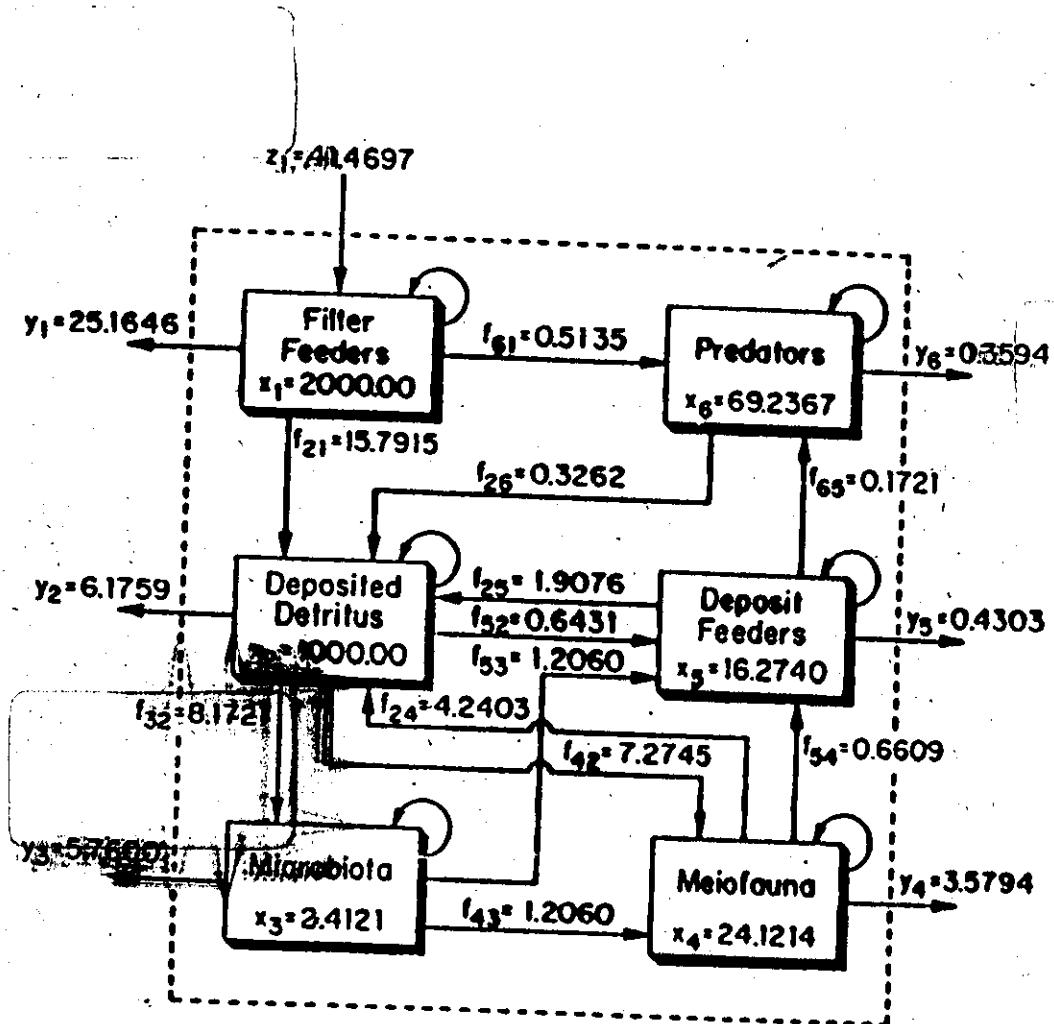
Figura 1



Trophic Level

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Figura 1



**Figure 38.** Intertidal oyster reef model. Numbers within the rectangles indicate steady state standing crop energy storages ( $x_i$ ,  $i=1,\dots,6$ , in  $\text{kcal m}^{-2}$ ), and those associated with arrows denote energy flows (input  $z_1$ , output  $y_j$ , and internal  $f_{ij}$ ,  $i,j=1,\dots,6$ , in  $\text{kcal m}^{-2} \text{d}^{-1}$ ).

Un sistema dinamico può essere formalmente rappresentato dalle eq.  
seguenti che vengono definite  
specifico di sistema od eq. diff. ordinarie  
(ODESS ord. diff. sp. syst. specifiche).

$$\dot{\underline{x}} = \underline{f}(\underline{x}, \underline{u}, \underline{p}, t) \quad 1$$

$$\underline{y} = \underline{g}(\underline{x}, \underline{u}, \underline{p}, t) \quad 2$$

$$\underline{x}(t_0) = \underline{x}_0 \quad 3$$

$$\underline{o} = \underline{h}(\underline{x}, \underline{u}, \underline{p}, t) \quad 4$$

$\underline{x}$ : vettore di stato n-dimensionale

$\underline{u}$ : vettore degli input m-dimensionale

$\underline{y}$ : vettore degli output p-dimensionali

$\underline{p}$ : vettore di  $m_f$  costanti delle permezzi

f, g, h: funzioni reticolate

L: rappresenta le limitazioni pratiche su  $\underline{x}$  e  $\underline{p}$

