Spatial arrangement of subplots. Each 20 m × 20 m study plot was subdivided into 5 m × 5 m subplots numbered 1, 2, …, 16 from the upper left corner labelled A, left to right, then down rows, to diagonally opposite lower right corner labelled M. In the original on-line data base (Hurst, J. M. and Allen, R. B. 2007. A permanent plot method for monitoring indigenous forests - field protocols. - Manaaki Whenua, Landcare Research), the 5 m × 5 m subplots were labeled by letters A, …, P in a different order. Here is the matching between the original letter labeling and our numerical labeling: A=1, B=2, C=3, D=4, E=8, F=7, G=6, H=5, I=9, J=10, K=11, L=12, M=16, N=15, O=14, P=13.