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e fenomeni di auto-organizzazione**

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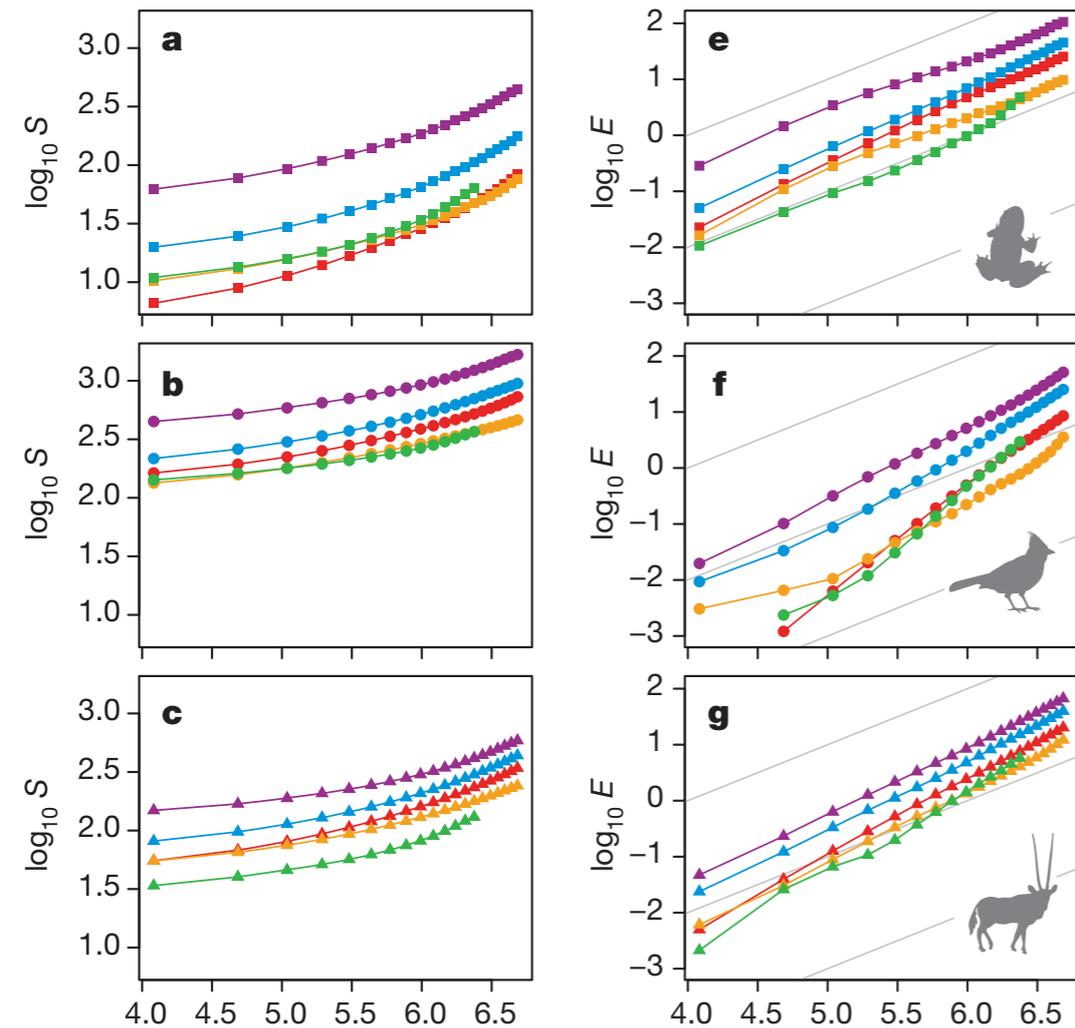
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Pattern Emergenti e Auto-organizzazione in Ecologia

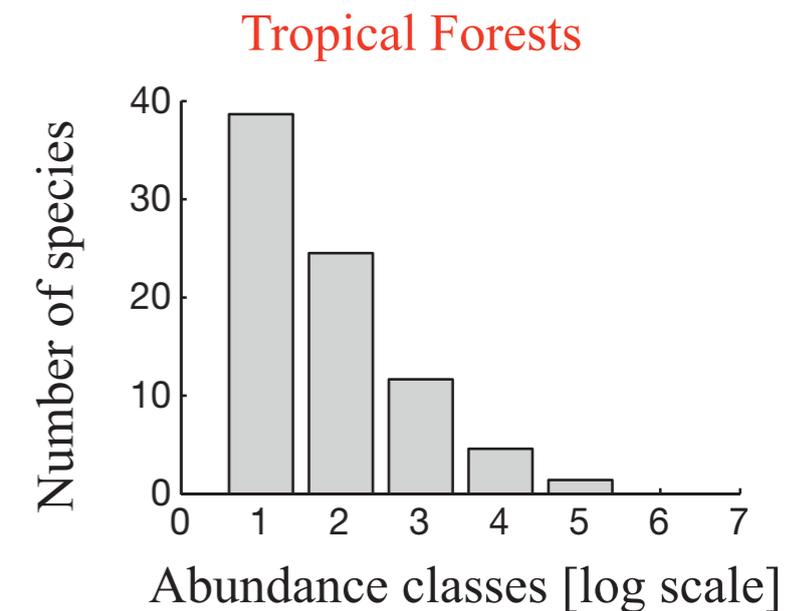
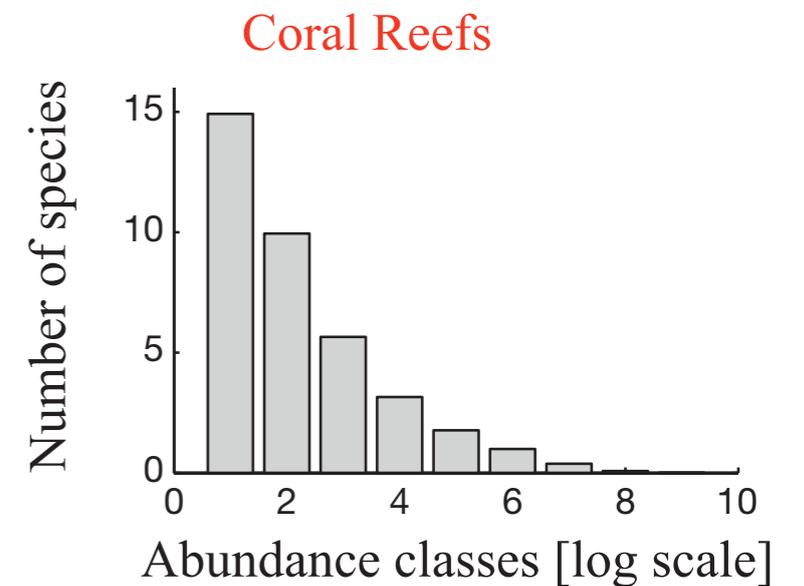
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RSA

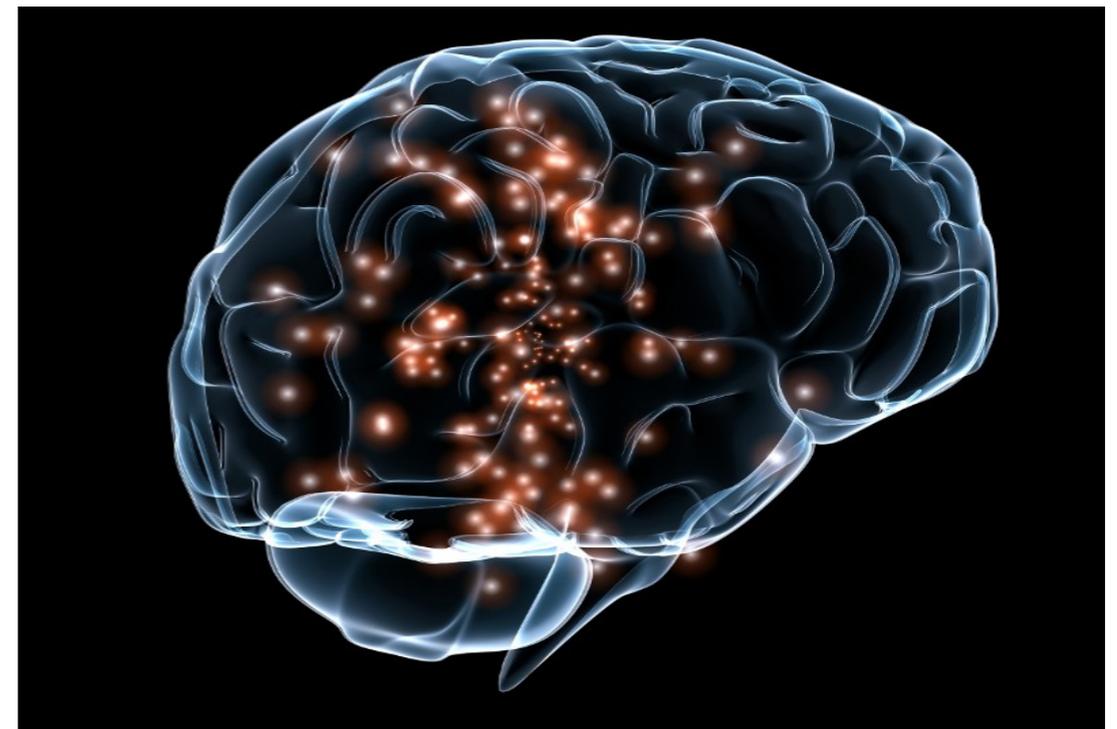
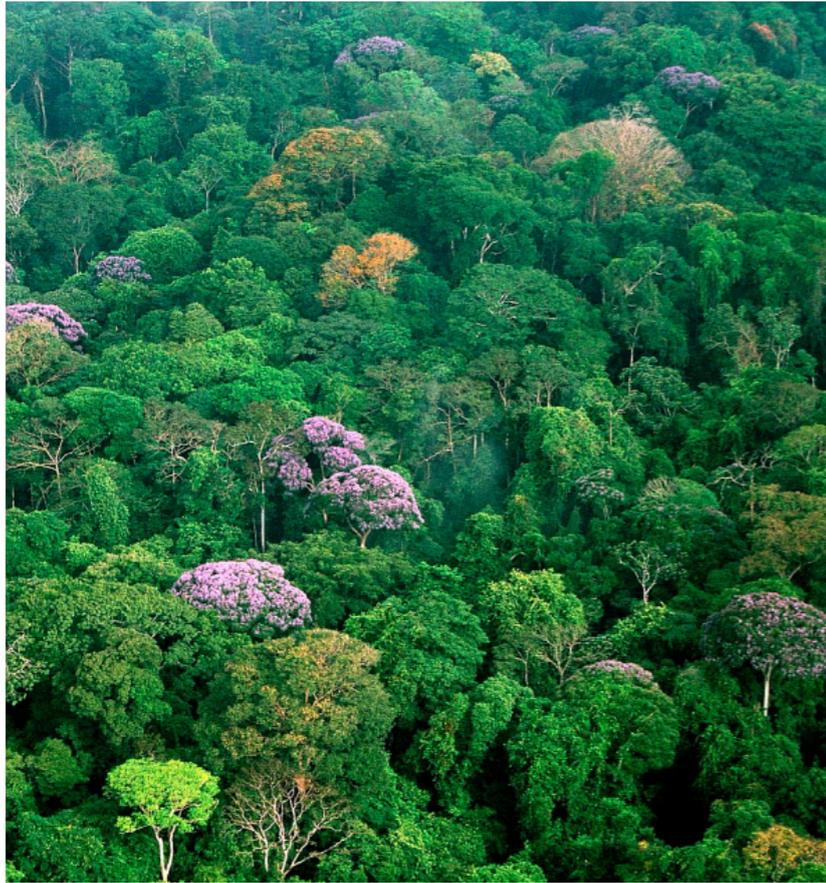
□ Amphibians, ○ Birds, △ Mammals
 Africa, Eurasia, North America, South America, Australia



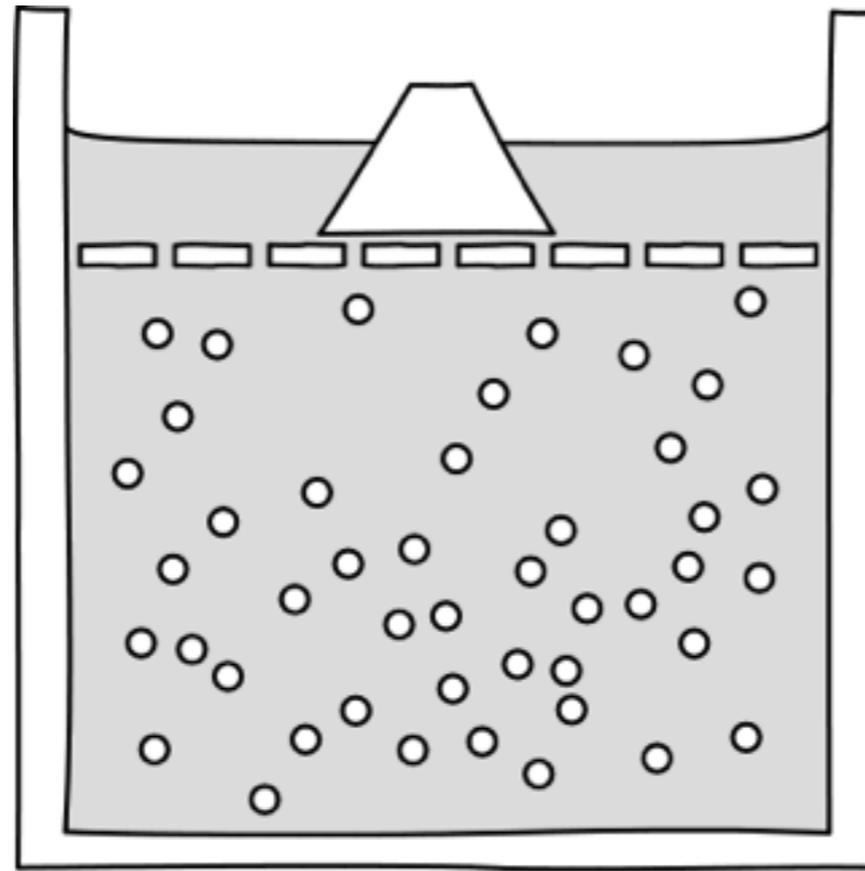
Storch et al. *Nature*, 2012



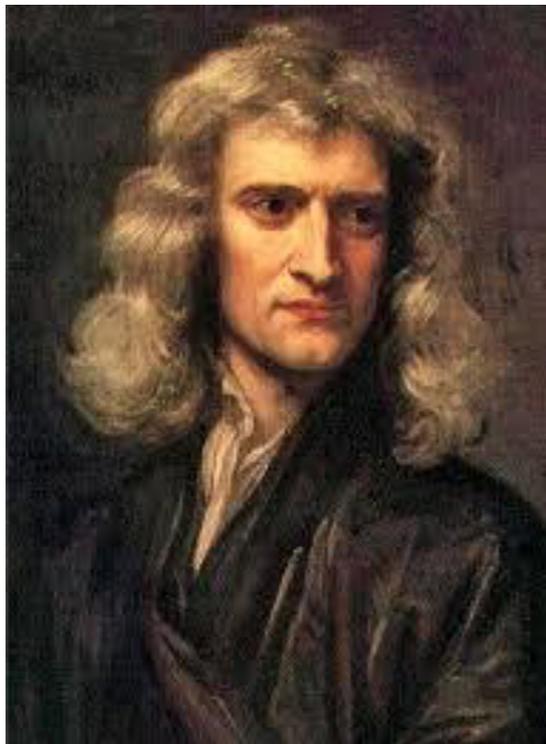
Come studiare "da Fisico" questi sistemi?



Come studiare sistemi a molti corpi?



10^{23} molecole



$$F = m a$$

Moto dei corpi:

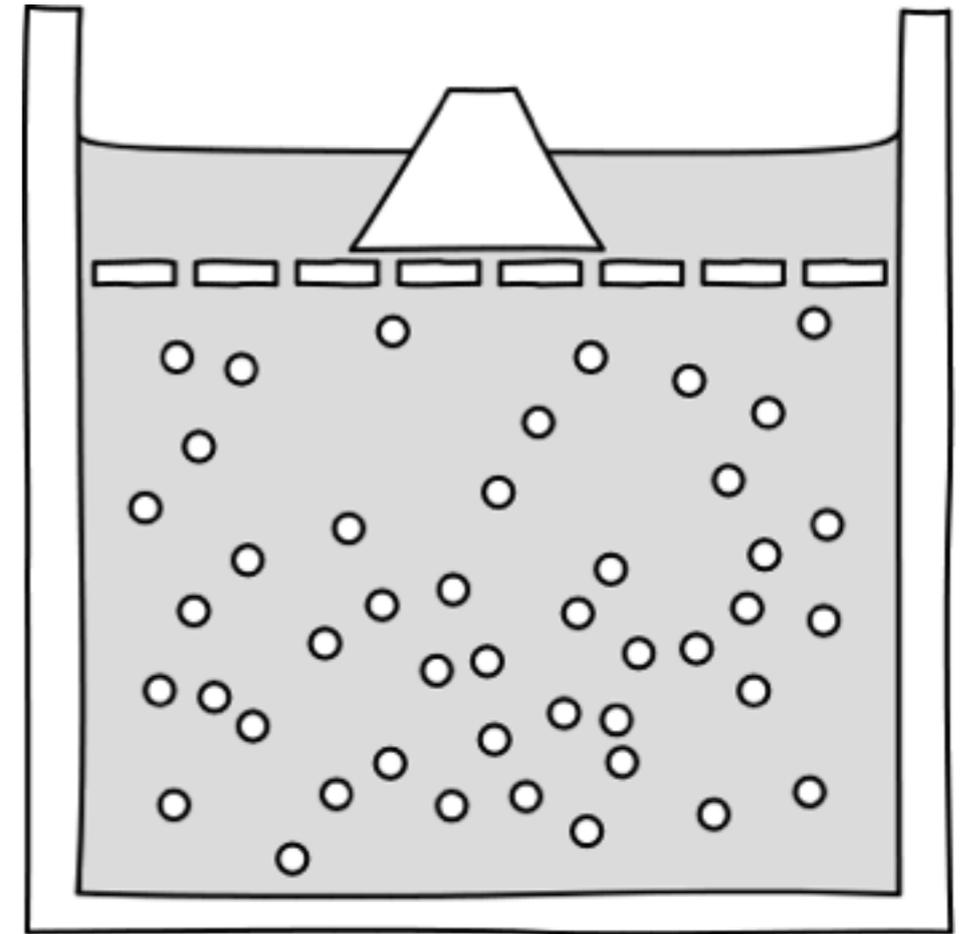
- 1 - è facile
- 2 - è (diventato) facile
- 3 - è impossibile

Come studiare sistemi a molti corpi?

N atomi di massa m , moto casuale

Atomi molto lontani tra loro
(no interazione)

Collisioni elastiche (conservazione E)



$$P \cdot v = R \cdot T$$

Specific volume

Absolute temperature

Absolute pressure

Gas constant

Come legare il micro al macro: la fisica statistica



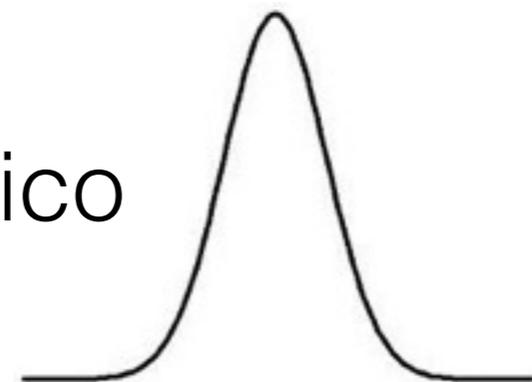
Il legame è probabilistico

Spazio delle configurazioni

Termodinamica: limite $N = \infty$

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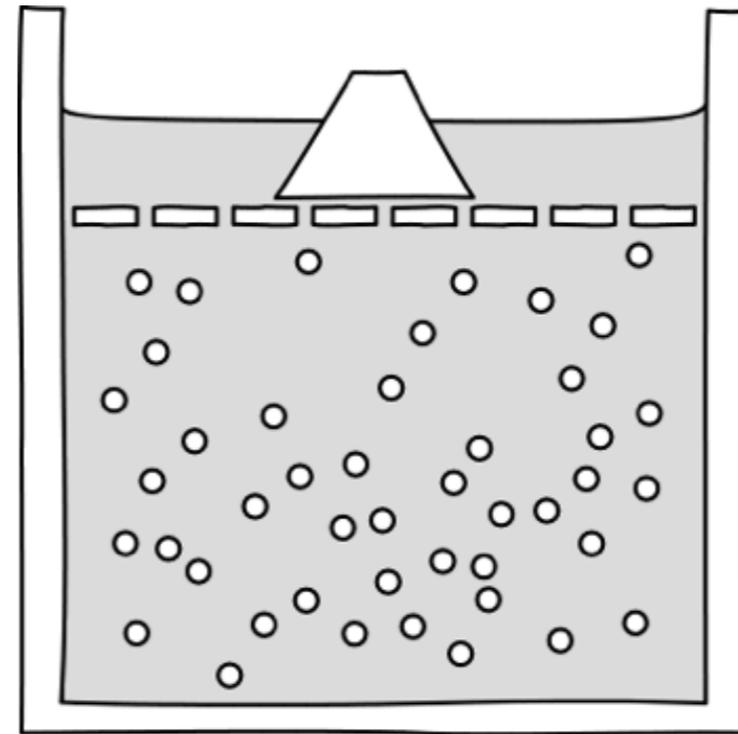
stato
macroscopico



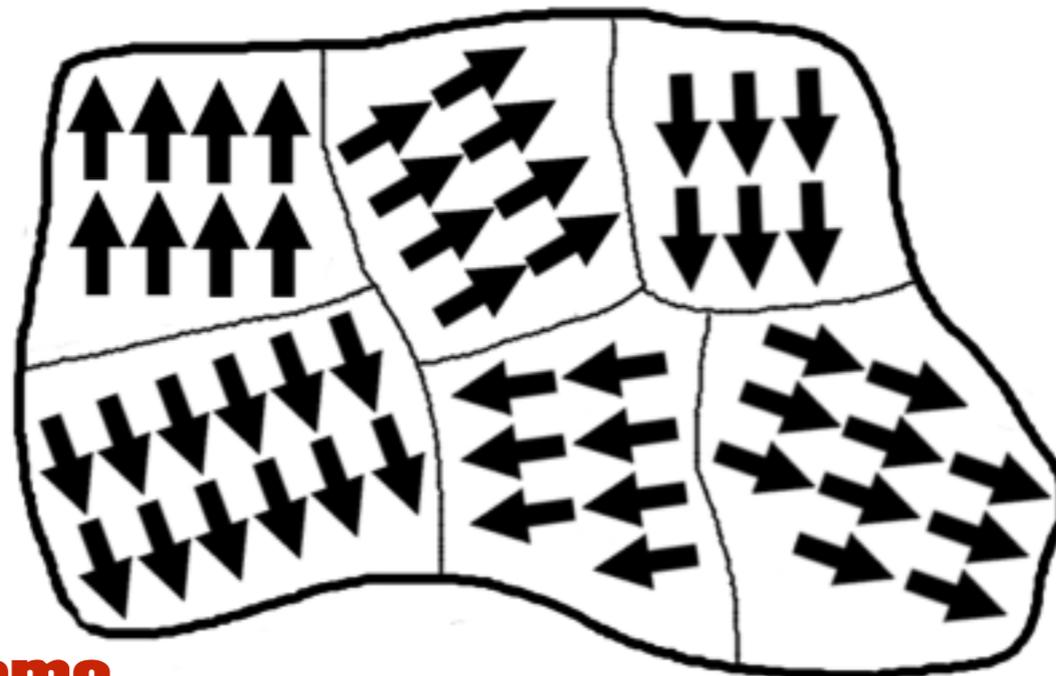
Come studiare sistemi complessi?



Modelli di particelle interagenti



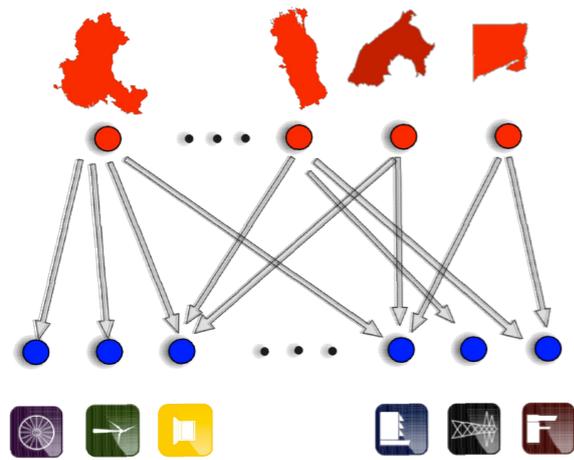
$$P V = n R T$$



Proprietà Emergenti

Ferromagnetismo

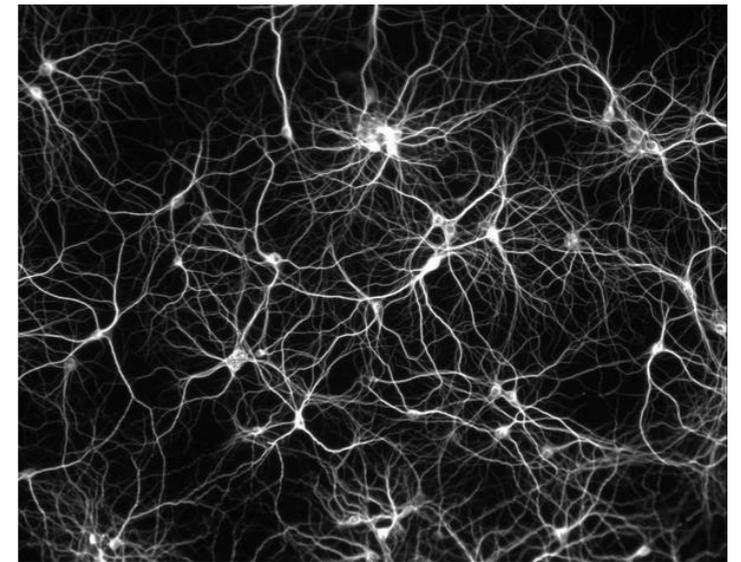
economia



materiali magnetici



rete neurale

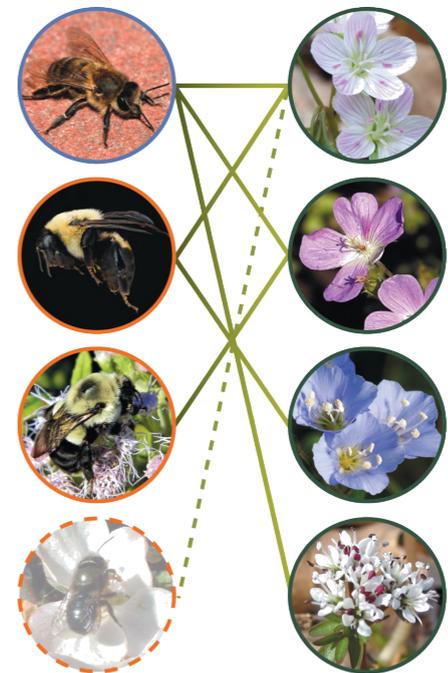


Cosa hanno in comune ?

ecosistemi (foreste)



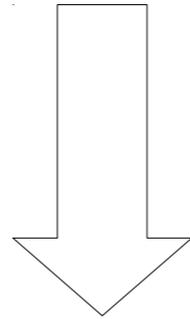
rete fiori-impollinatori



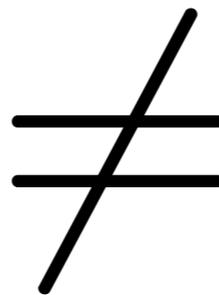
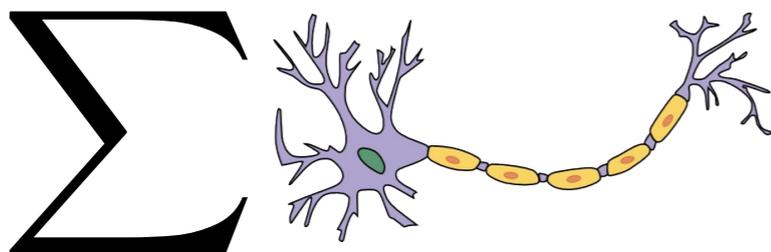
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Caratteristica di un **sistema complesso**:

“many entities + interactions”



emergenza di **proprietà macroscopiche** non legate direttamente agli enti “microscopici”



Come investigarle ?

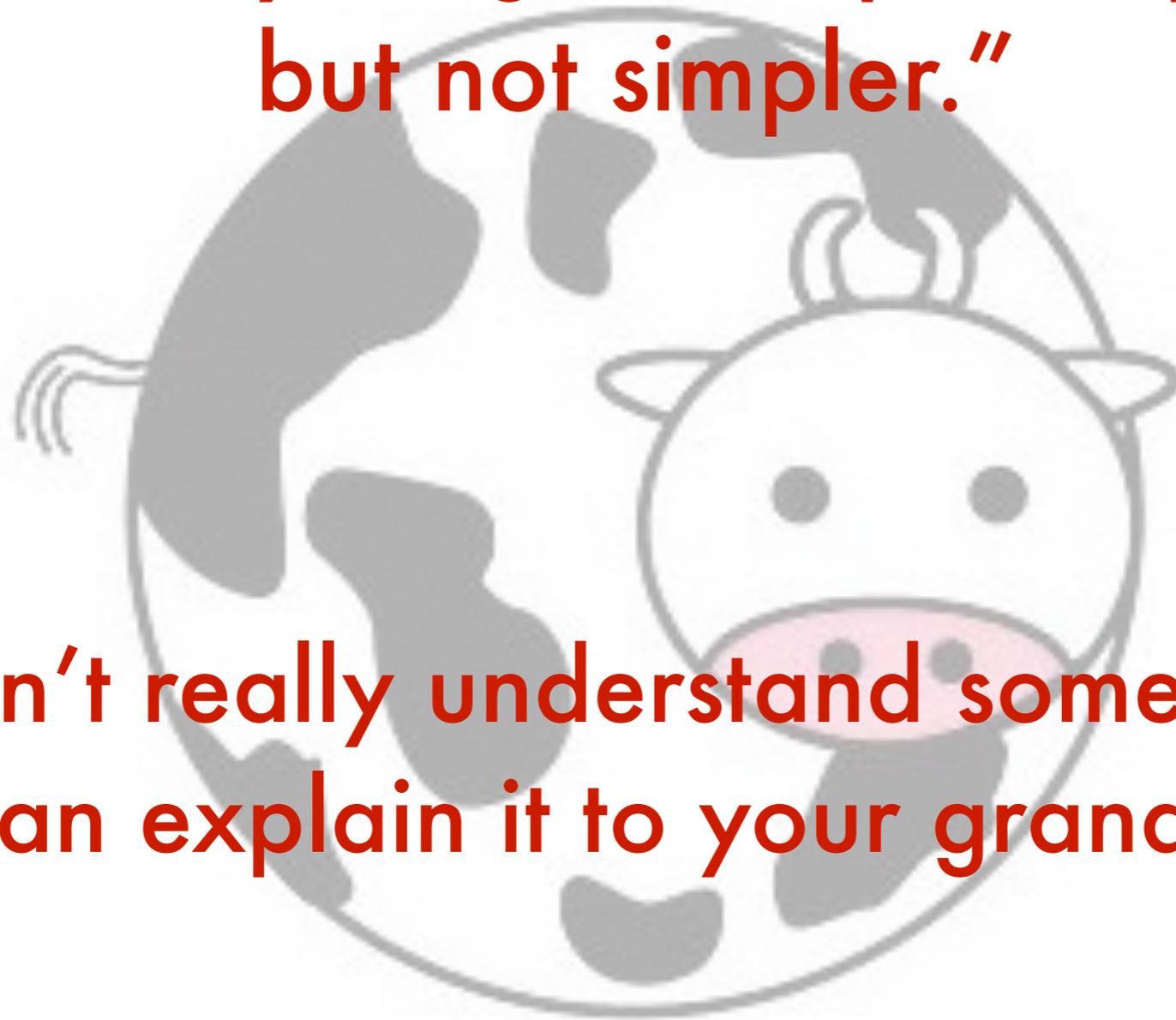
Messaggi semplici dai sistemi complessi

- **"many entities + interactions"**: emergenza di fenomeni macroscopici a prescindere dal tipo di "atomi" (insetti, neuroni, elettroni ...)
- **pattern ricorrenti** in sistemi apparentemente diversi
- **"Do not model bulldozers with quarks" ***
la comprensione dei fenomeni emergenti può essere ottenuta a partire da regole semplici

* Goldenfeld, Kadanoff *Simple lessons from complexity*, Science 1999

The Physicist Style

**“Make everything as simple as possible,
but not simpler.”**

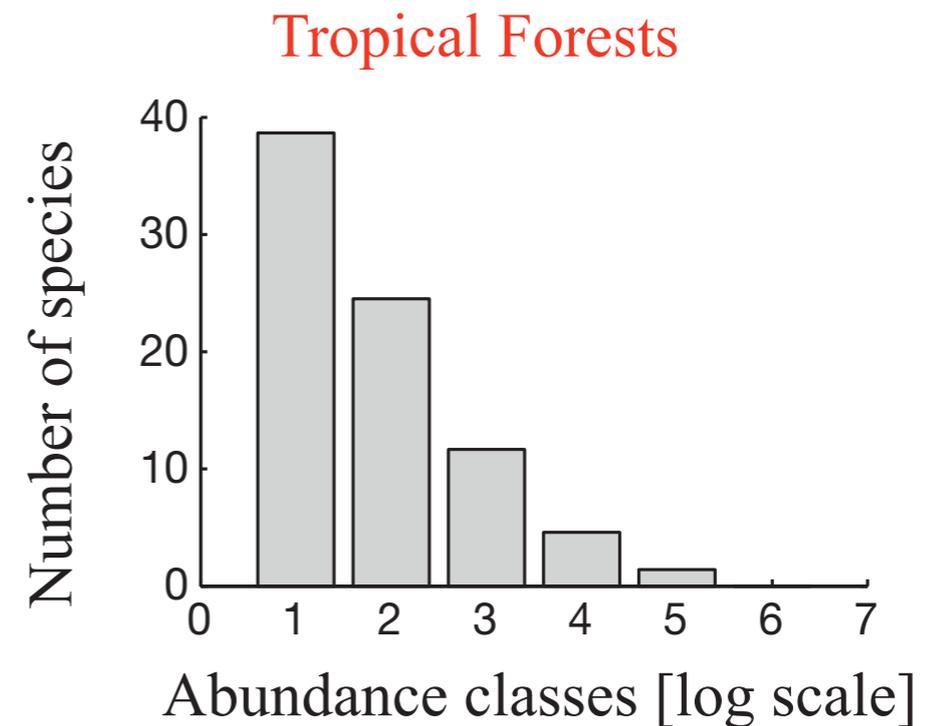
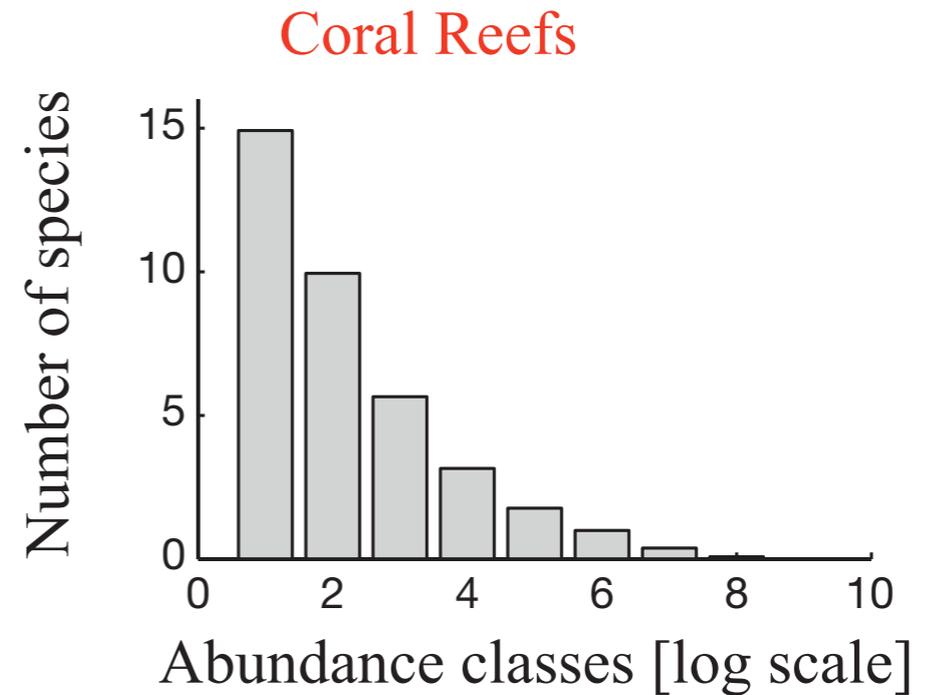


**“You don't really understand something unless
you can explain it to your grandmother.”**

A. Einstein

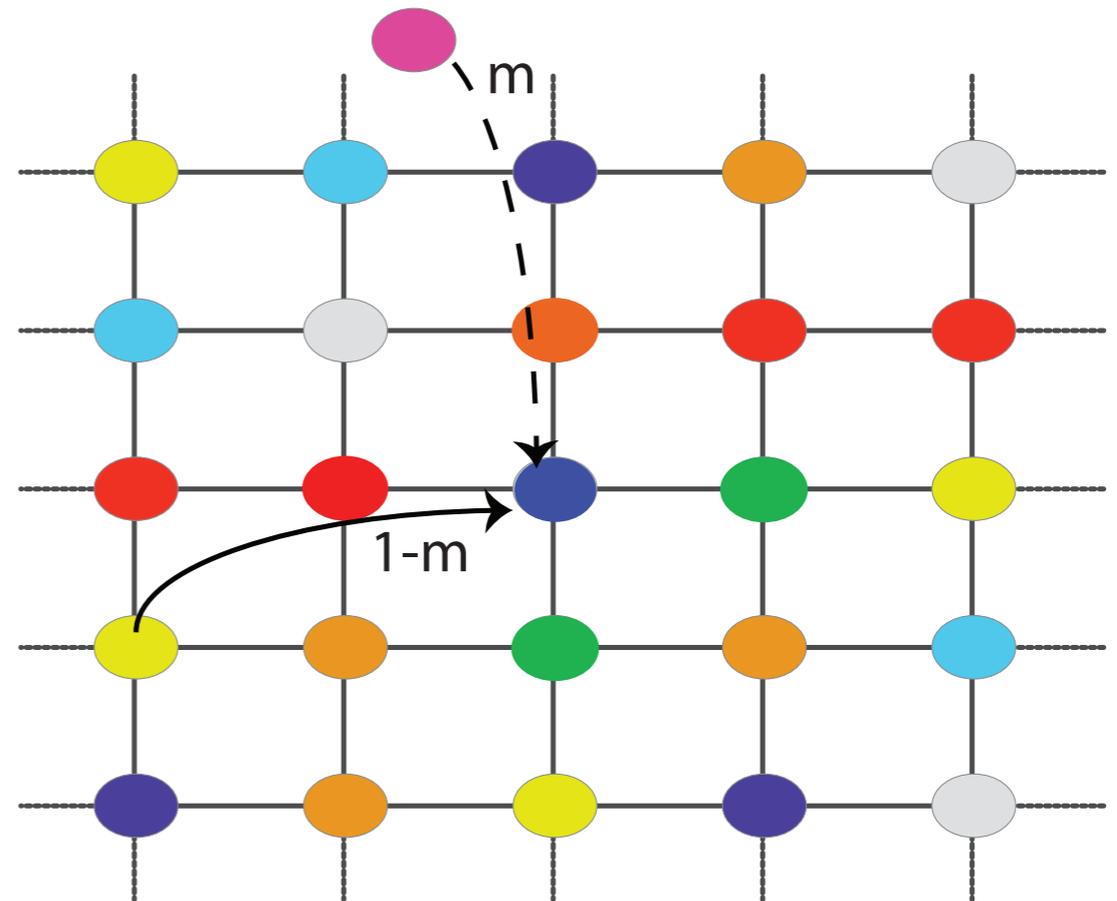
Patterns Emergenti in Ecologia

Abbondanza Relativa delle Species (RSA)



II voter Model in Ecologia

- Community of N individuals and S species (colours)
- Pick at random an individual. It dies.
- $1-m$: replaced it by another random individual in the system
- m : it is replaced by an individual of a new species (migration)



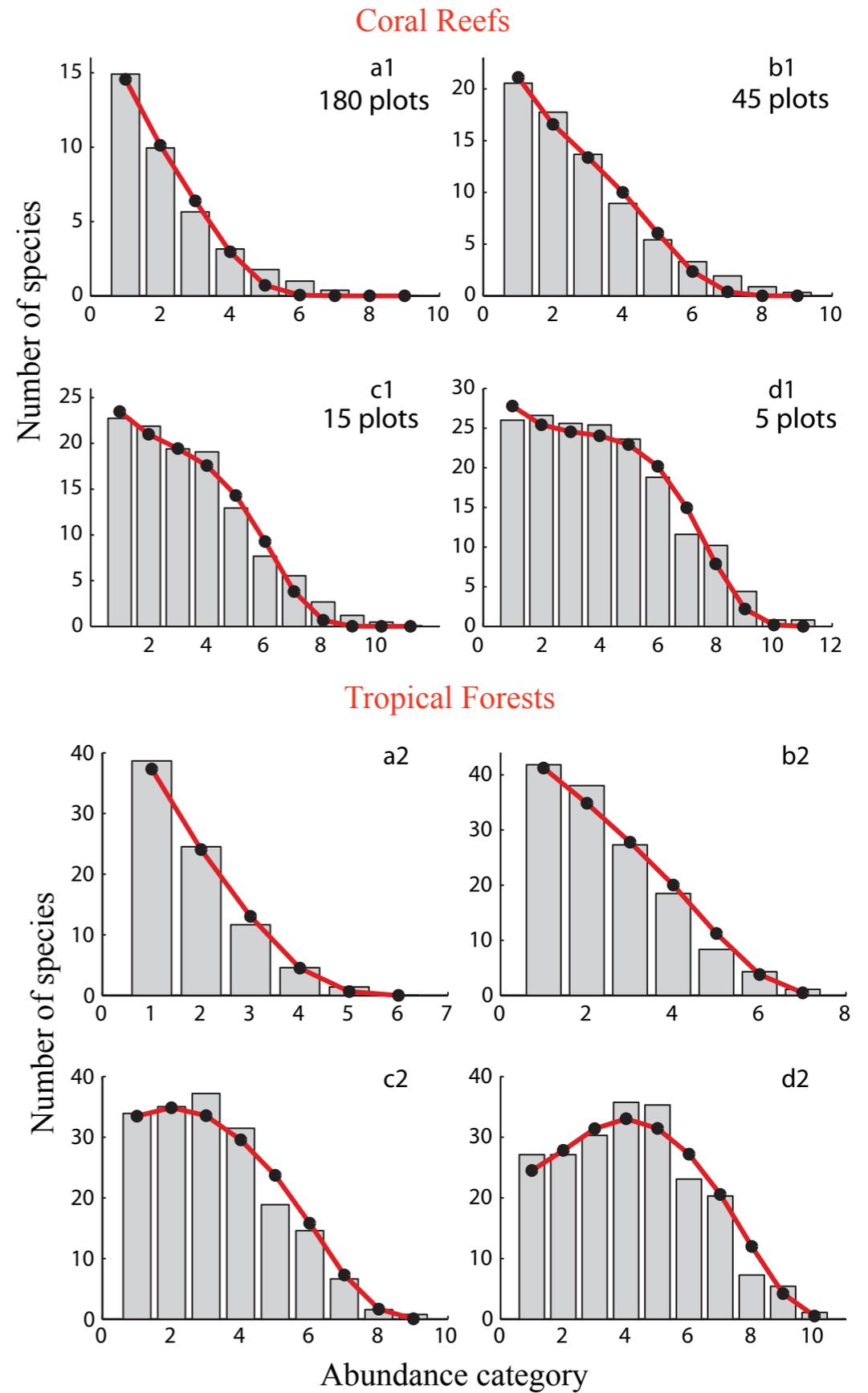
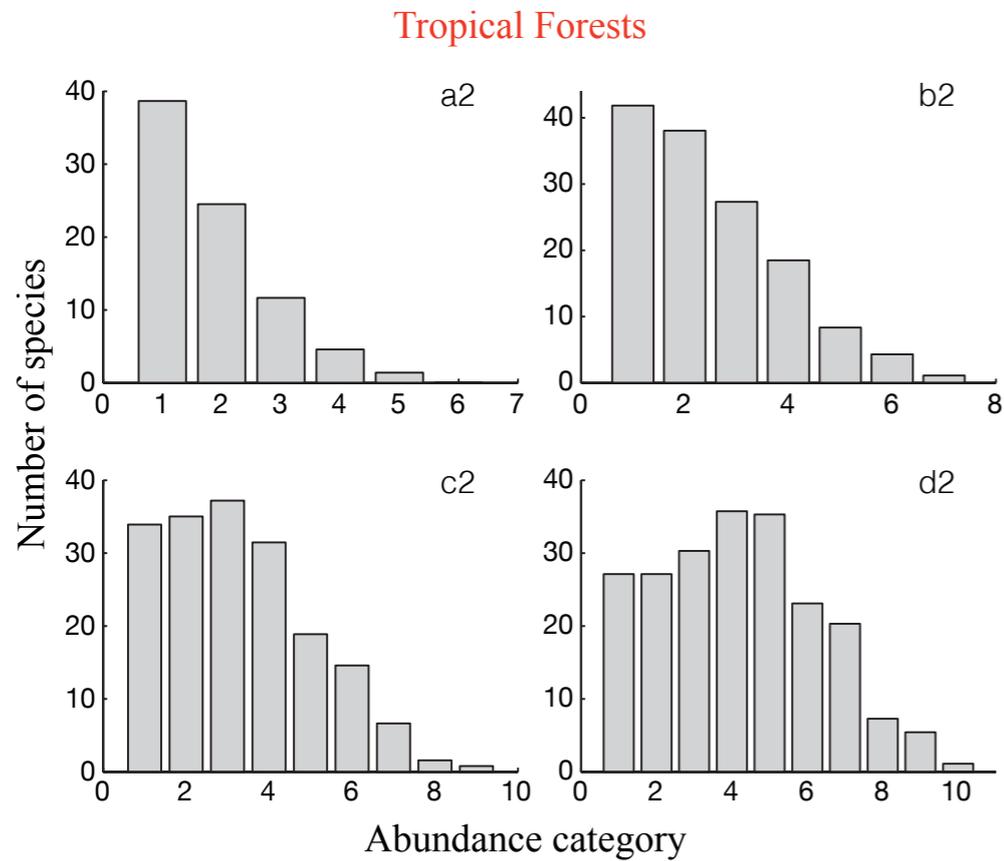
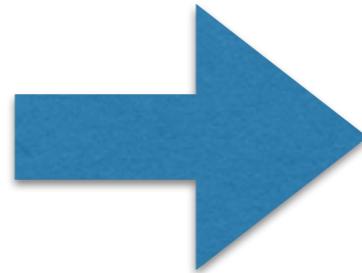
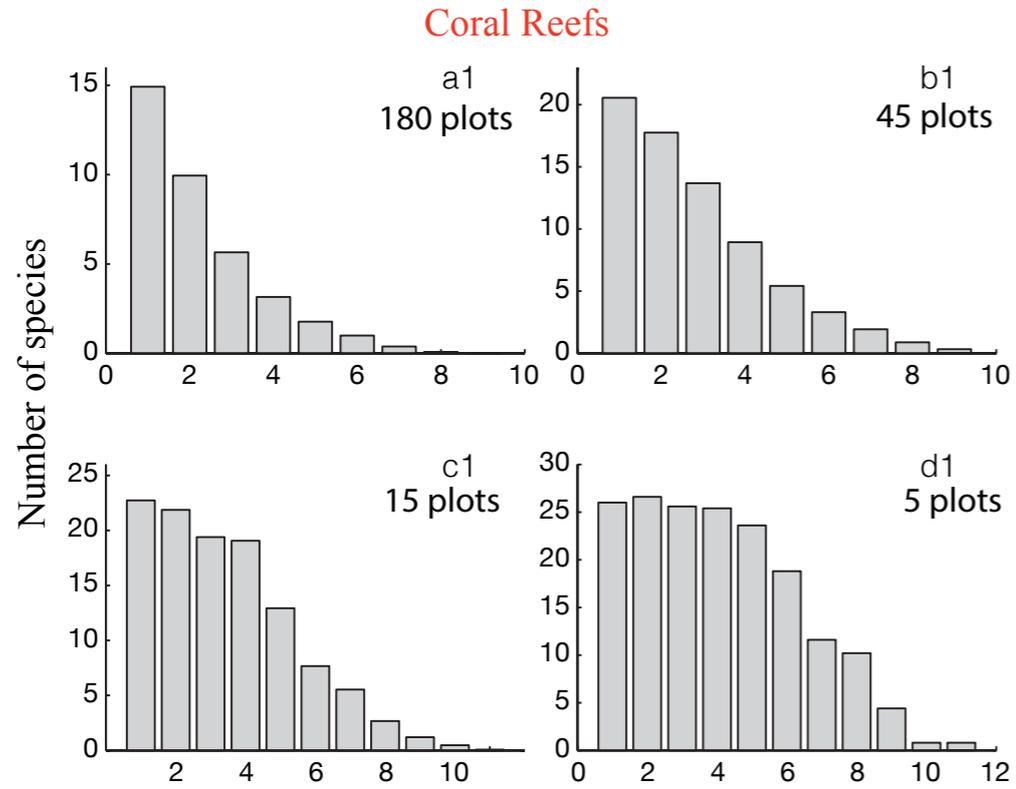
$$\frac{dP_n(t)}{dt} = b_{n-1}P_{n-1}(t) + d_{n+1}P_{n+1}(t) - (b_n + d_n)P_n(t)$$

Parameters: b_n/d_n and $m = b_0$

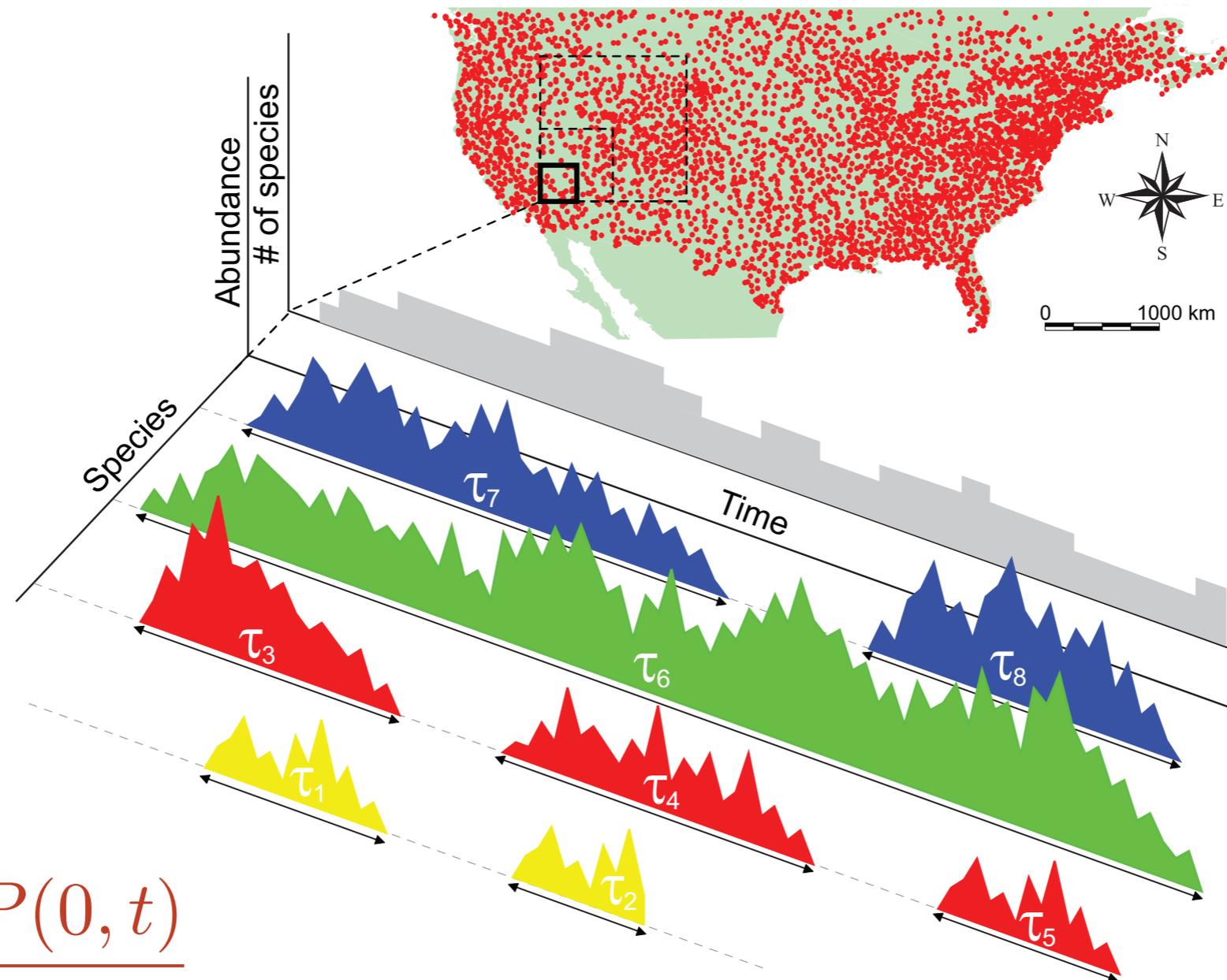
If $m=0$ \rightarrow absorbing state

Functional form of b_n
Density dependent effects

Risultati



Tempi di persistenza delle specie

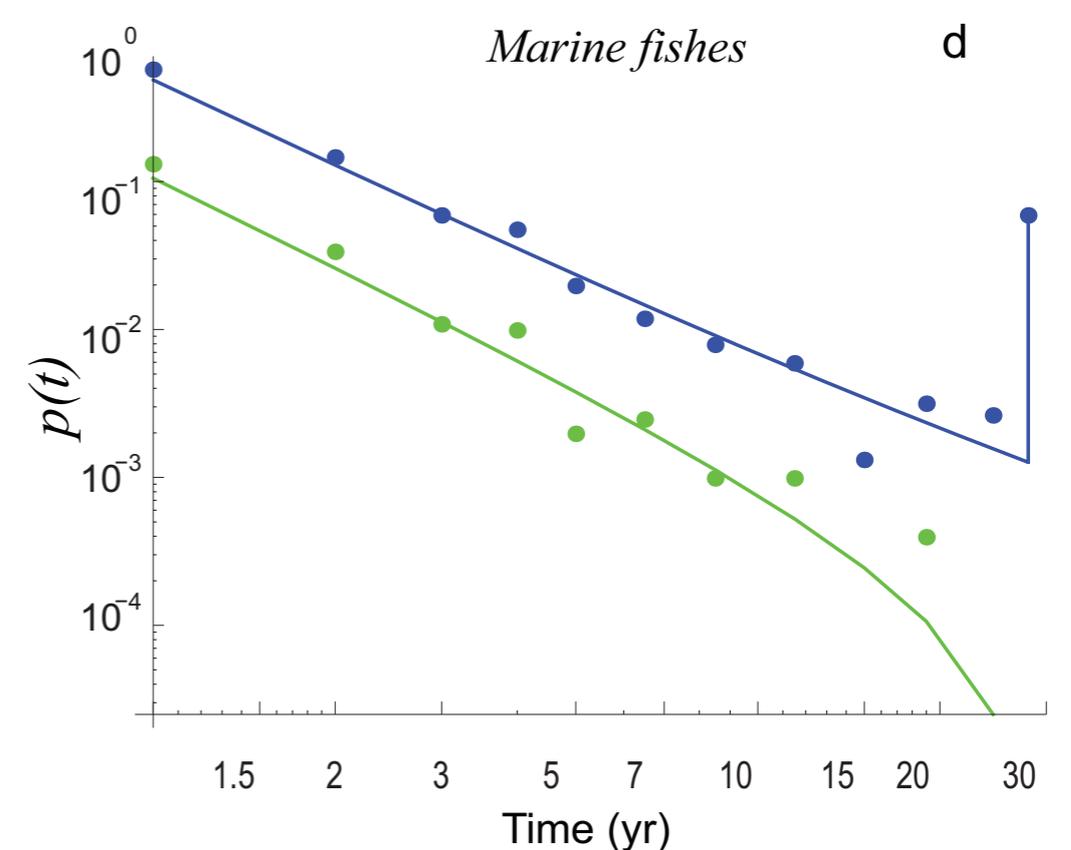
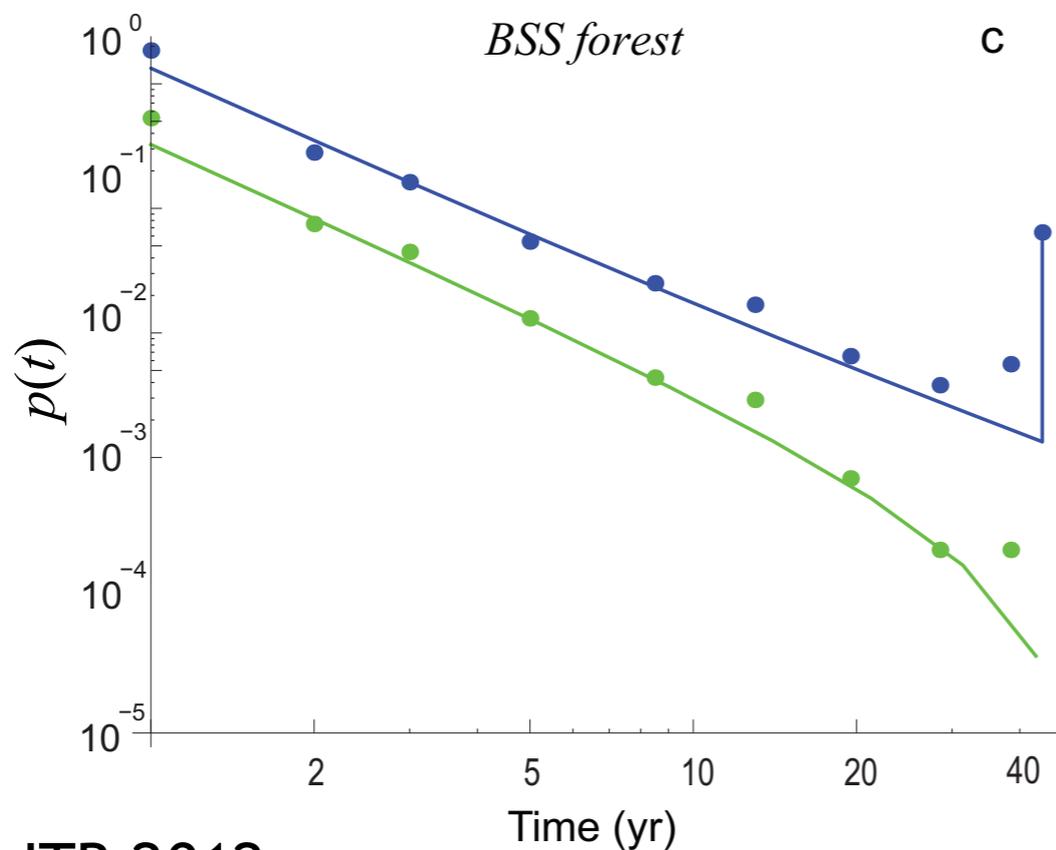
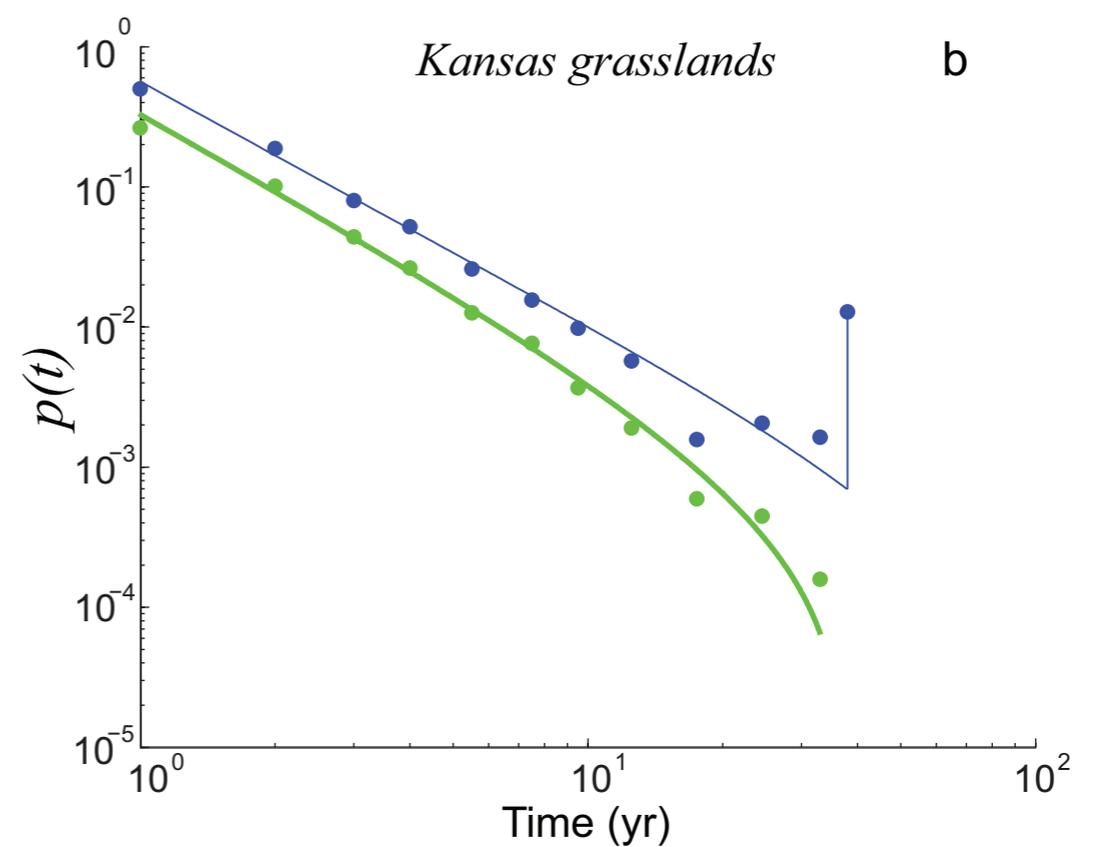
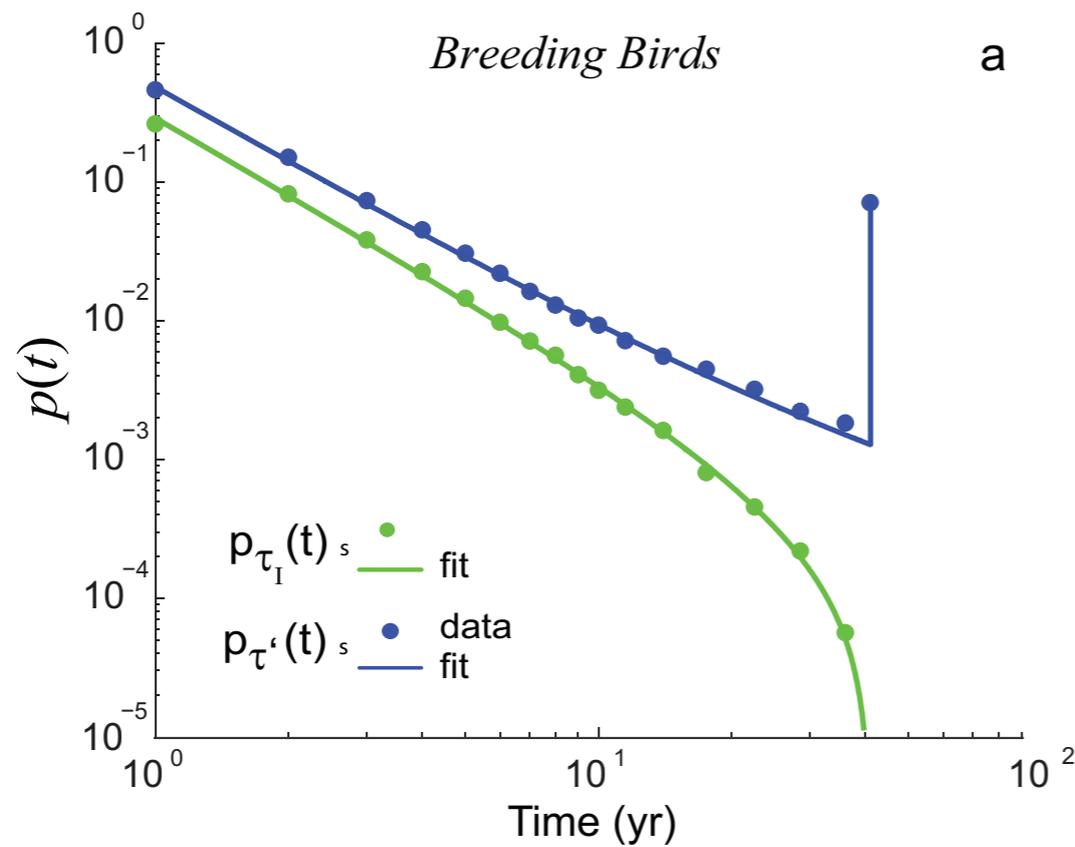


$$p_{\tau}(t) = \frac{dP(0, t)}{dt}$$

$$p_{\tau}(t) = Ct^{-\alpha} e^{-\nu t}$$

Can simple models help to
discover new patterns?

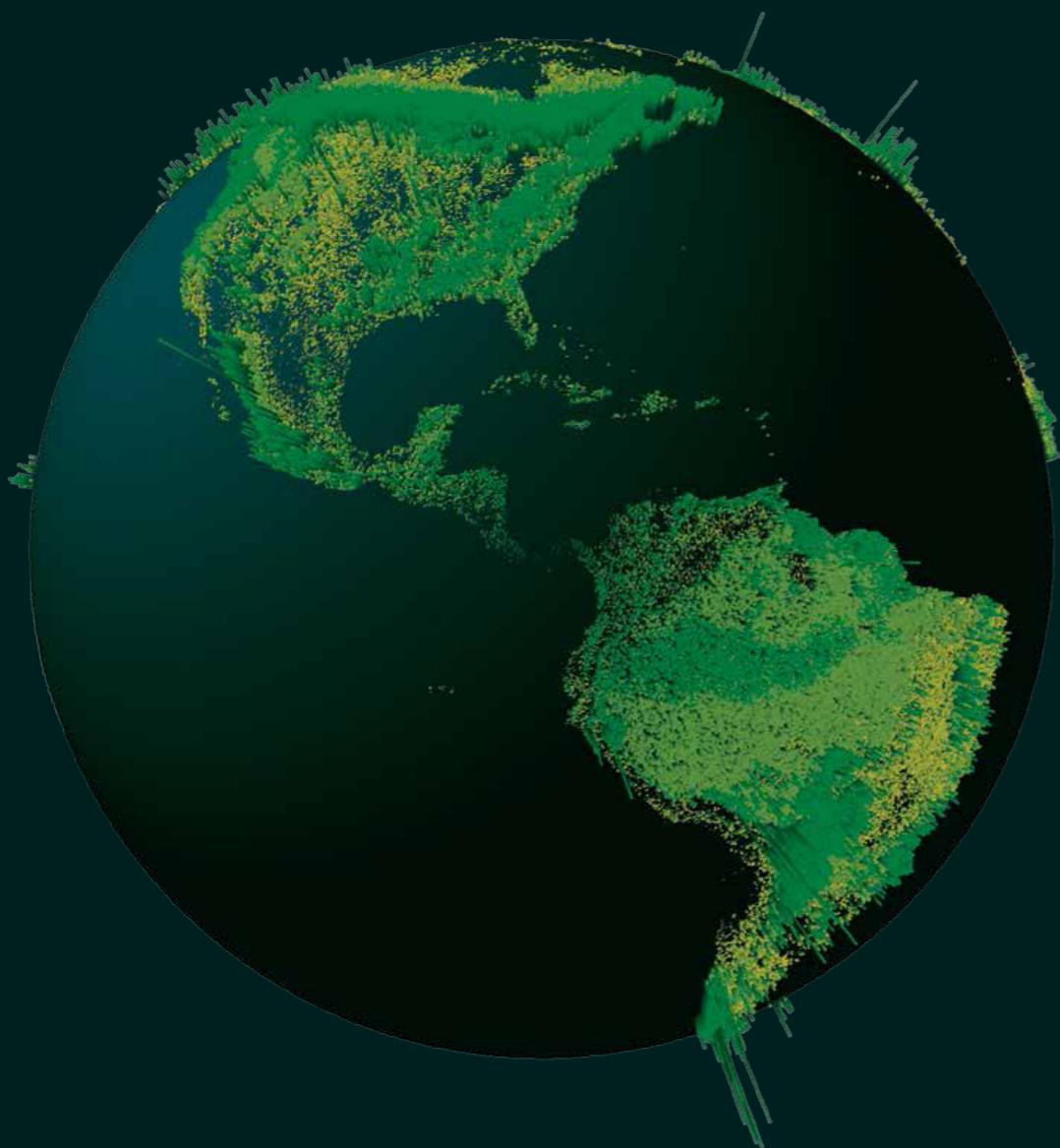
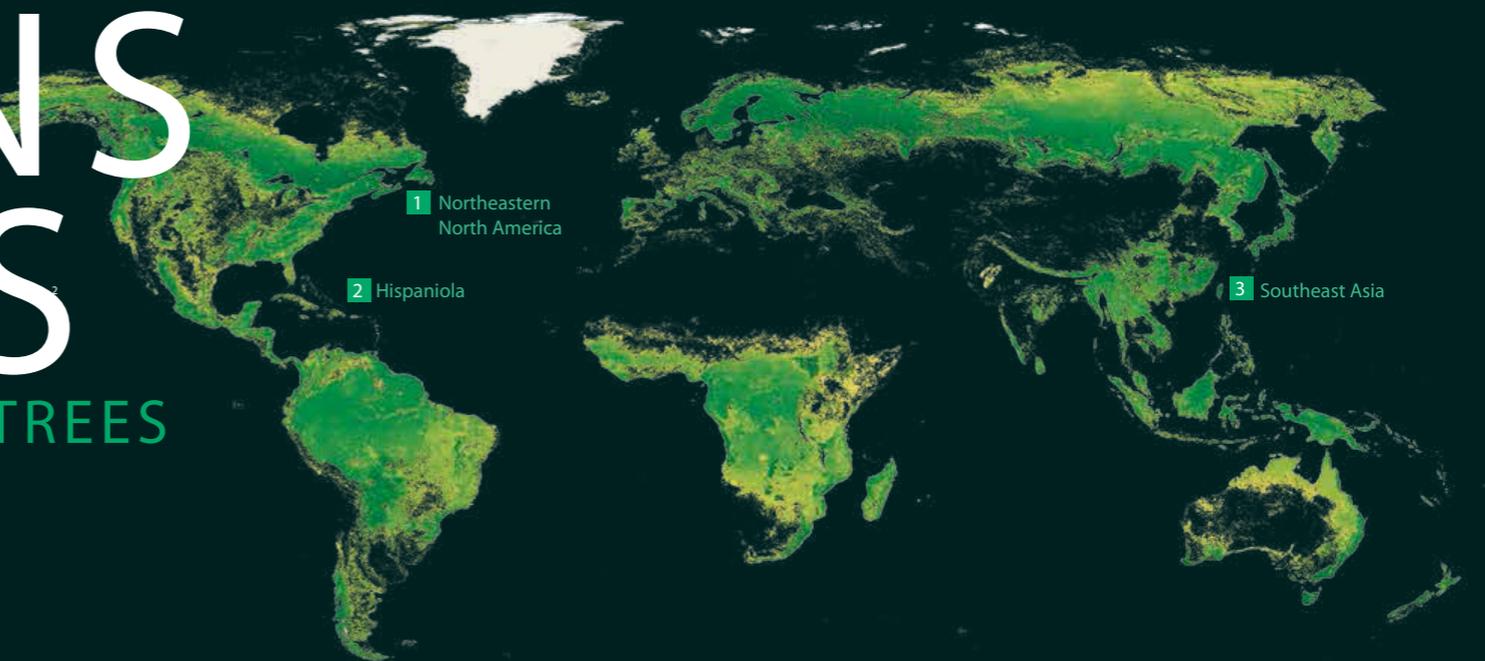
Un nuovo pattern emergente!



TRILLIONS OF TREES

SURVEY OF SURVEYS FINDS 422 TREES
FOR EVERY PERSON ON EARTH

BY RACHEL EHRENBERG
DATA VISUALIZATION BY JAN WILLEM TULP



BUT HOW MANY SPECIES?

A method to upscale biodiversity from ecological samples

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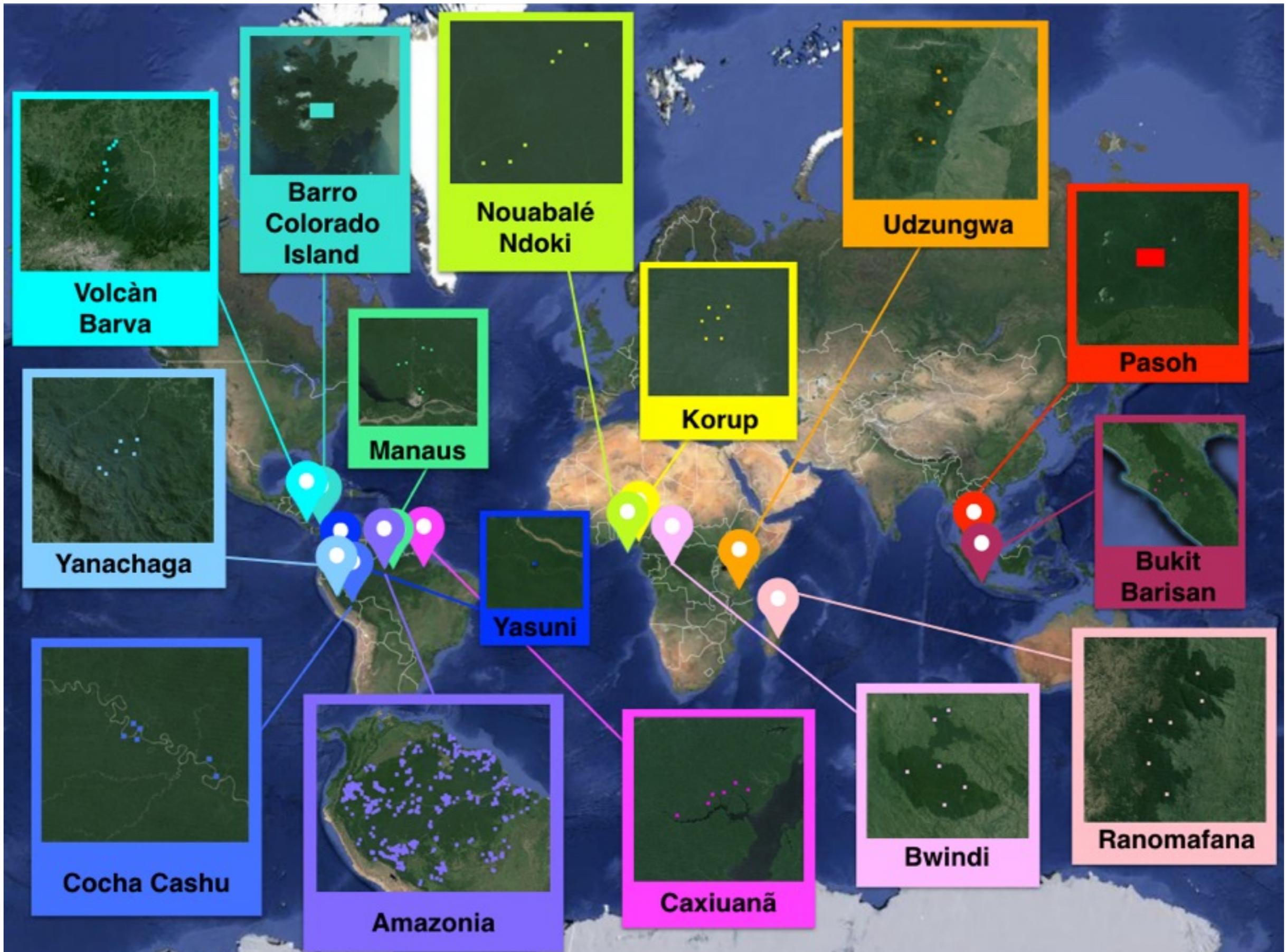
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TROPICAL ECOSYSTEMS

Upscaling species richness and abundances in tropical forests

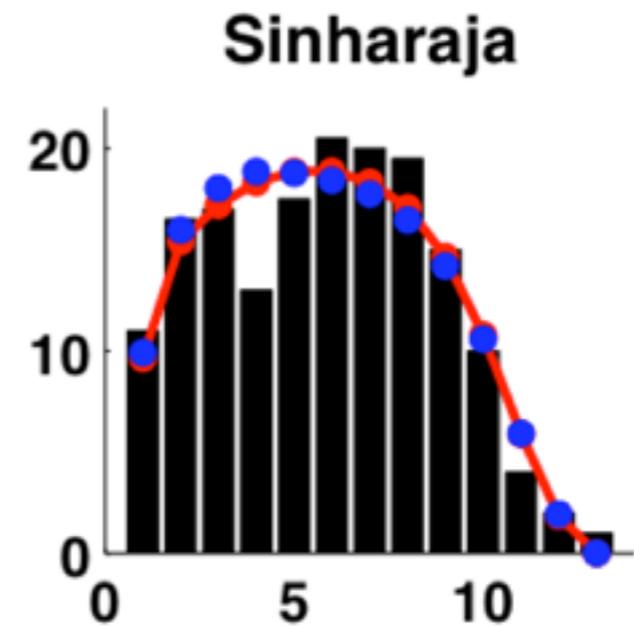
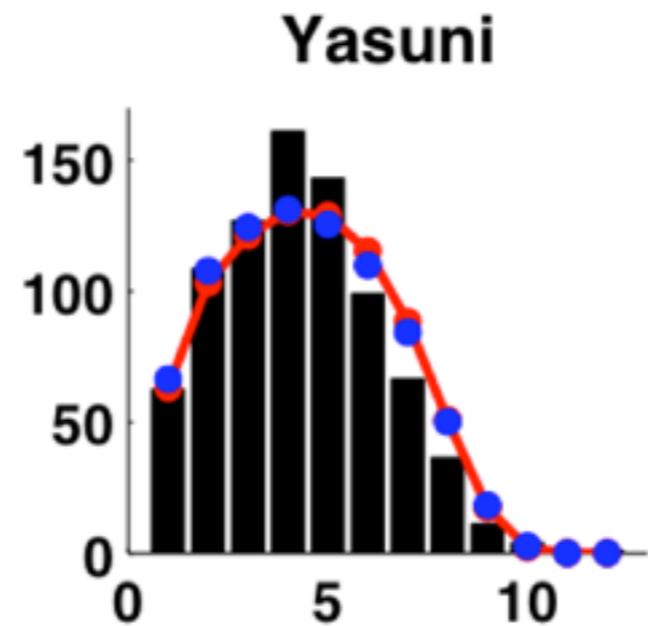
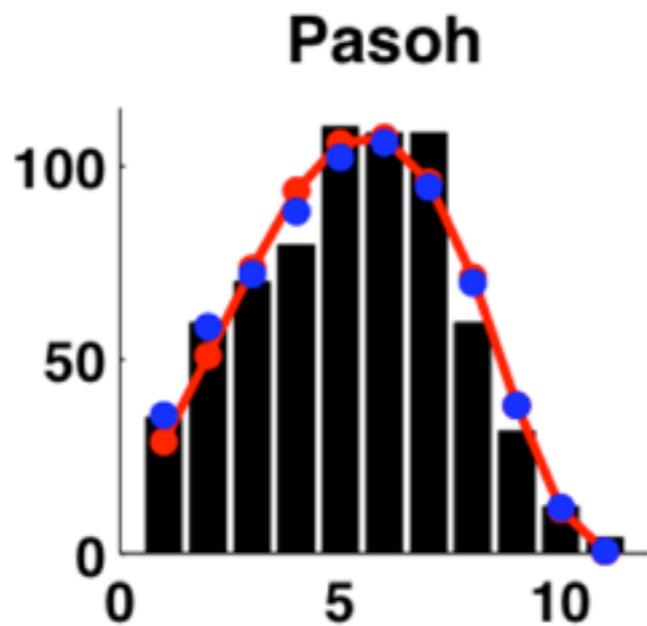
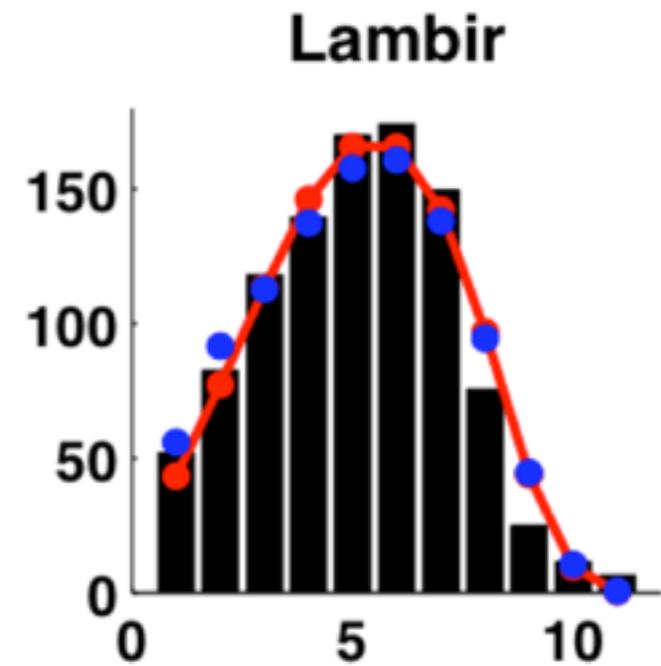
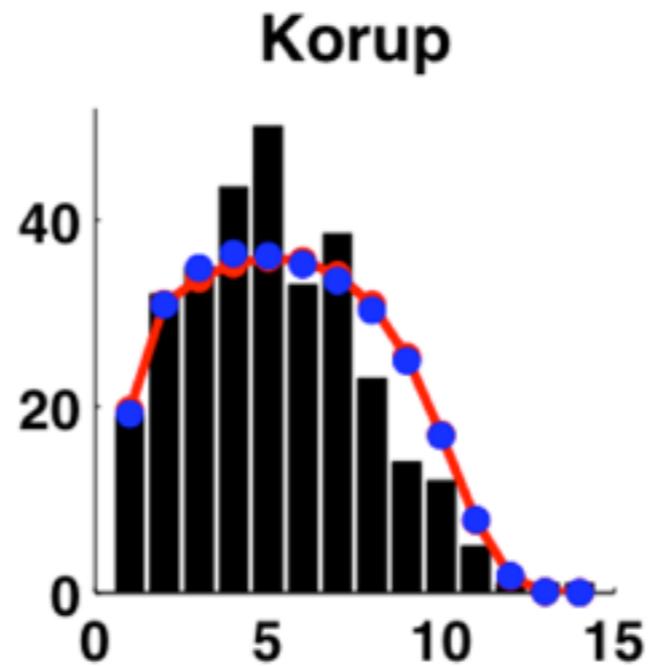
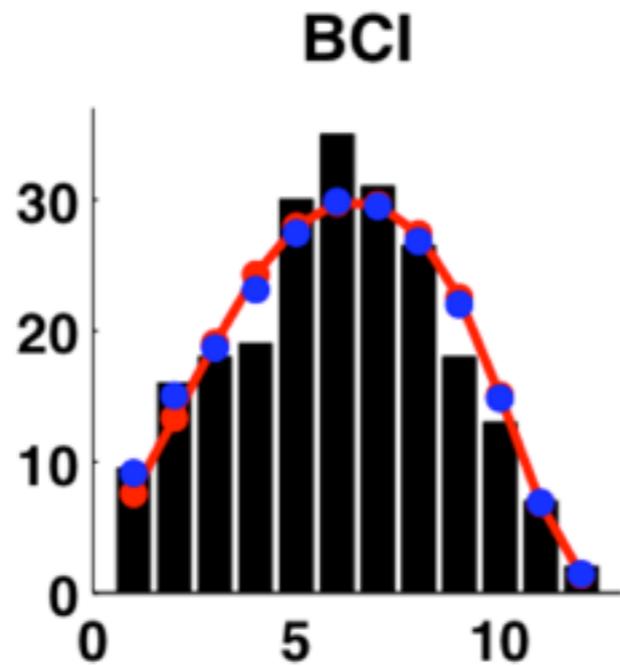
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Can we go from local census, to forest scale biodiversity?



Sfruttiamo il fatto che conosciamo la RSA

Number of species with a given number of individuals



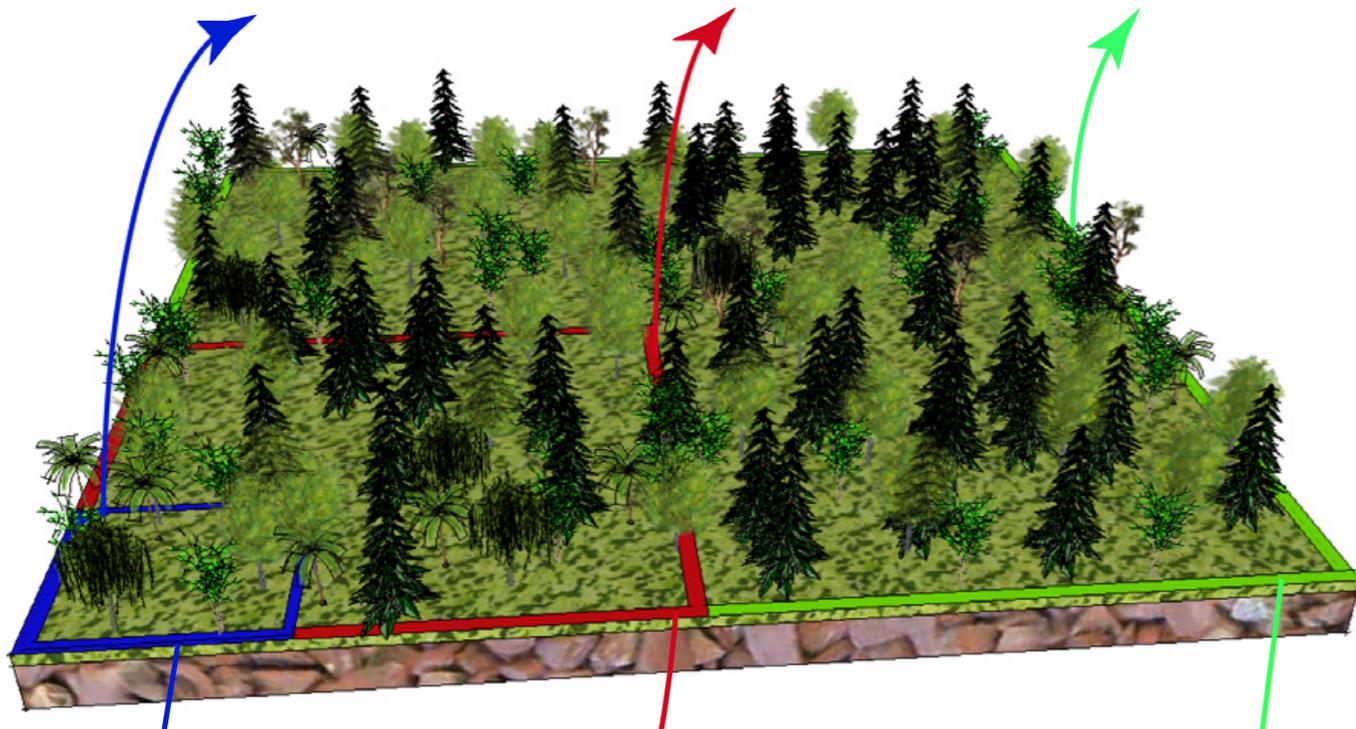
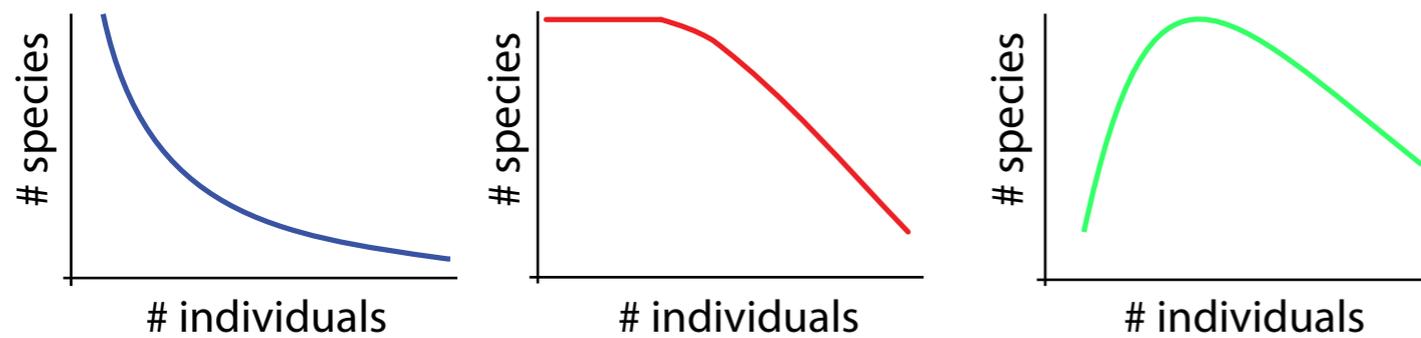
Number of individuals [Abundance classes]

Scaling e proprietà di Self-similarità

$$\mathcal{P}(k|\hat{r}_p, \hat{\xi}_p) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \mathcal{P}(k, n|\hat{r}_p, \hat{\xi}_p) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \mathcal{P}(k|n, \hat{r}_p, \hat{\xi}_p) \mathcal{P}(n|r, \xi).$$

$$\mathcal{P}(k|n, \hat{r}_p, \hat{\xi}_p) = \binom{n}{k} p^k (1-p)^{n-k}.$$

NB also at different scales!

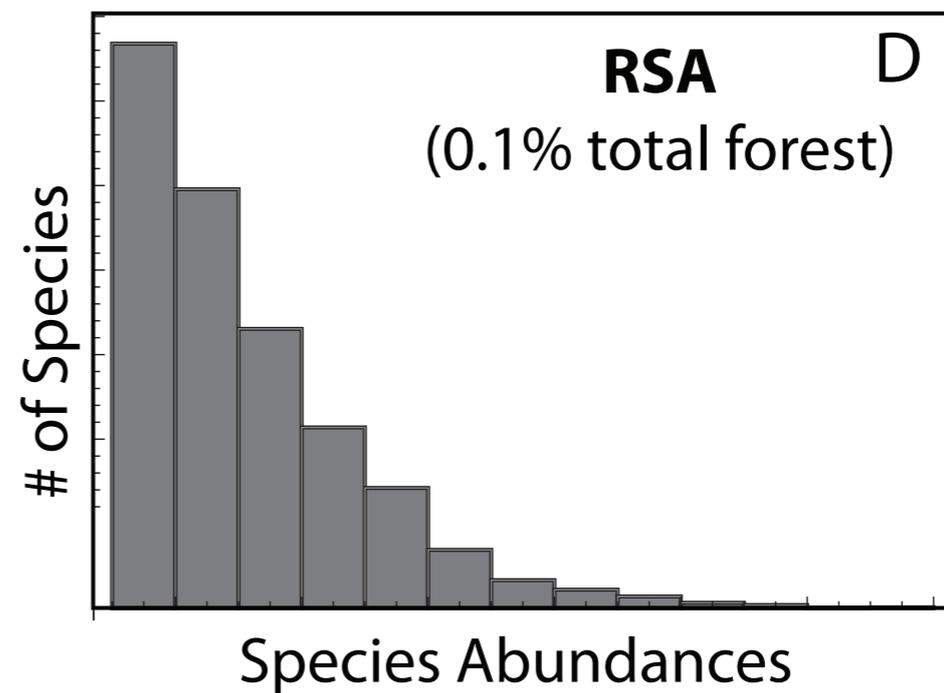
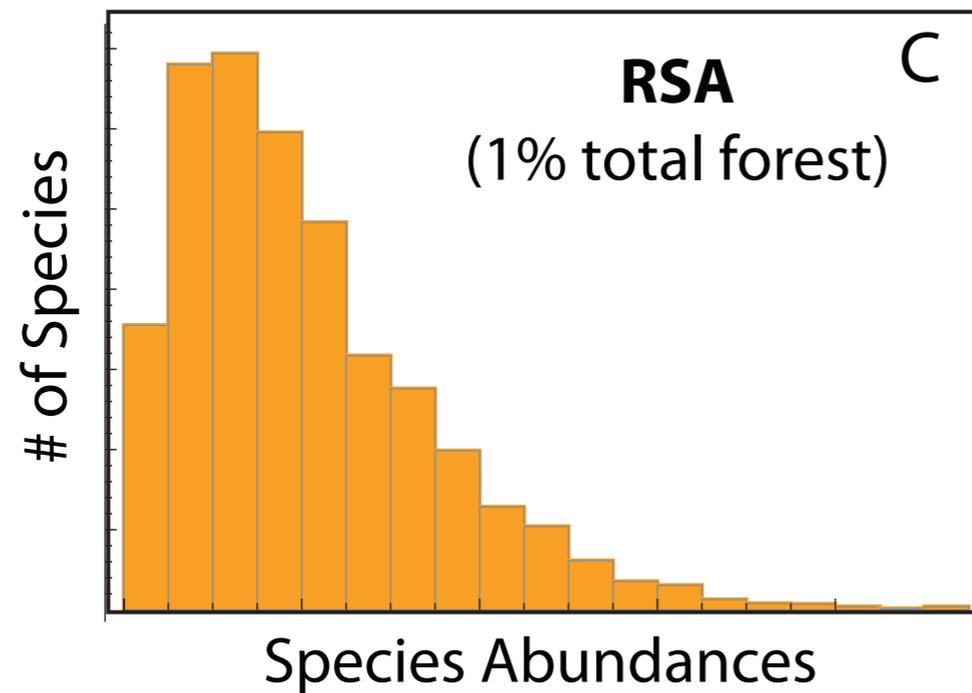
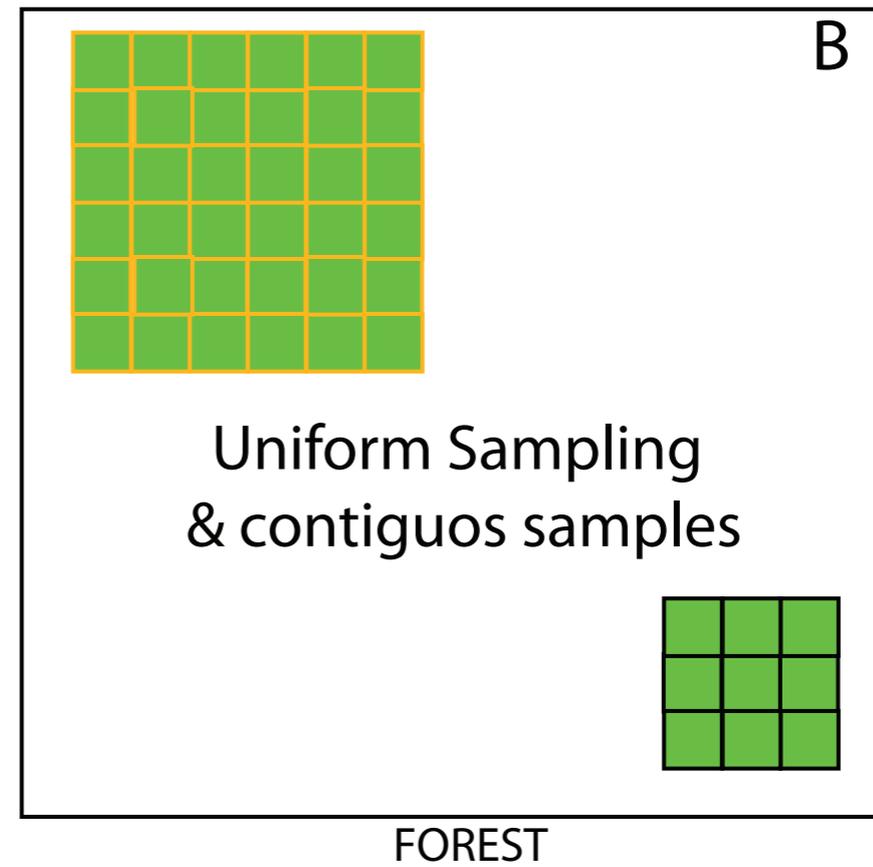
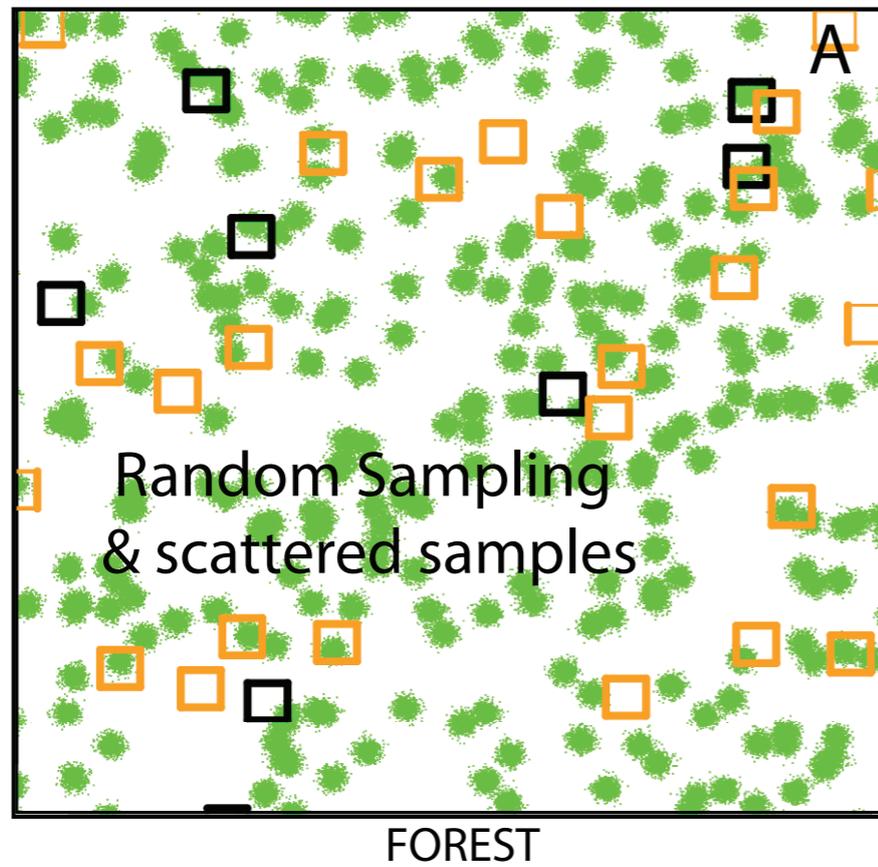


$$\hat{\xi}_p = \frac{p\xi}{1 - \xi(1-p)}.$$

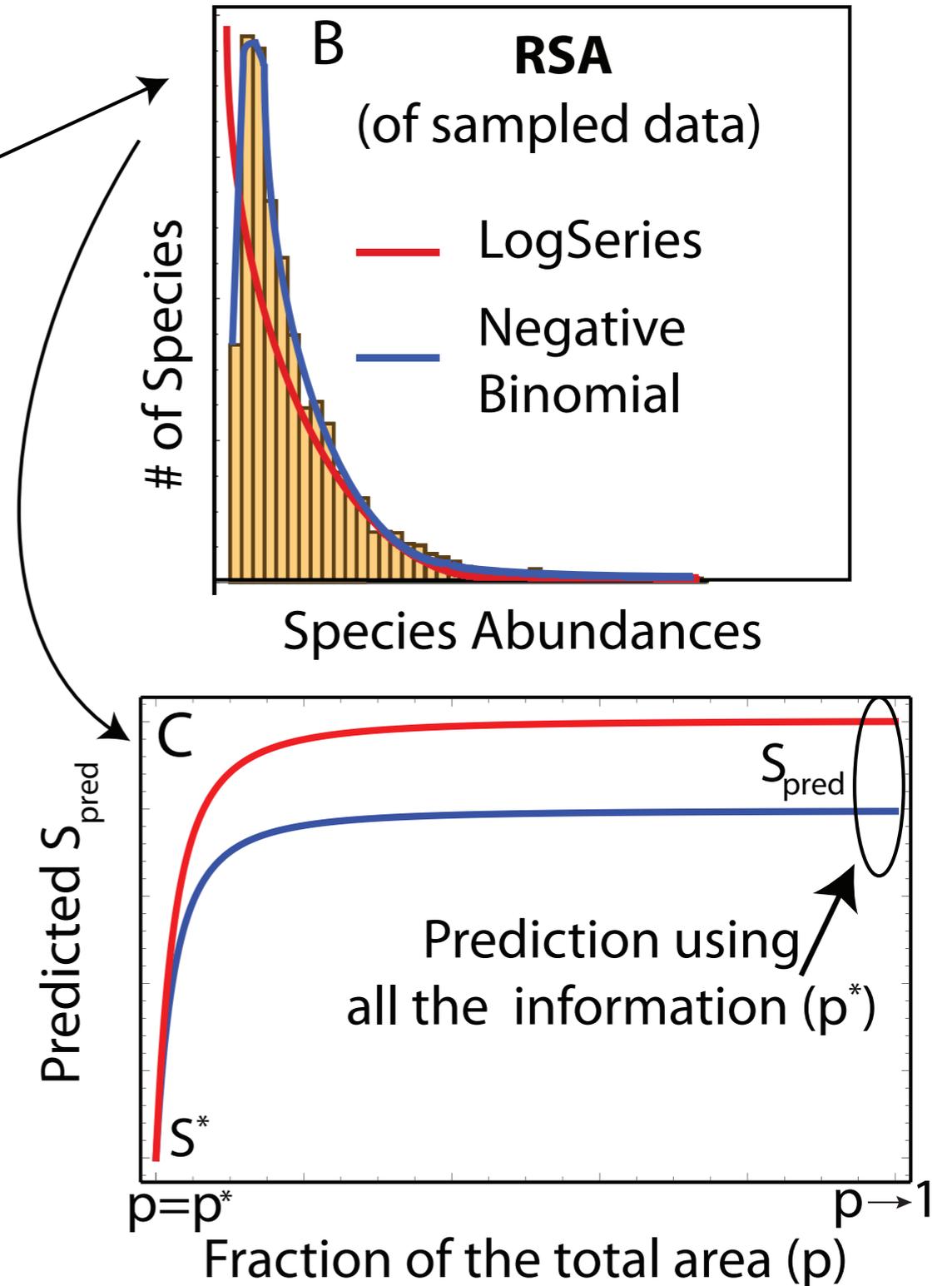
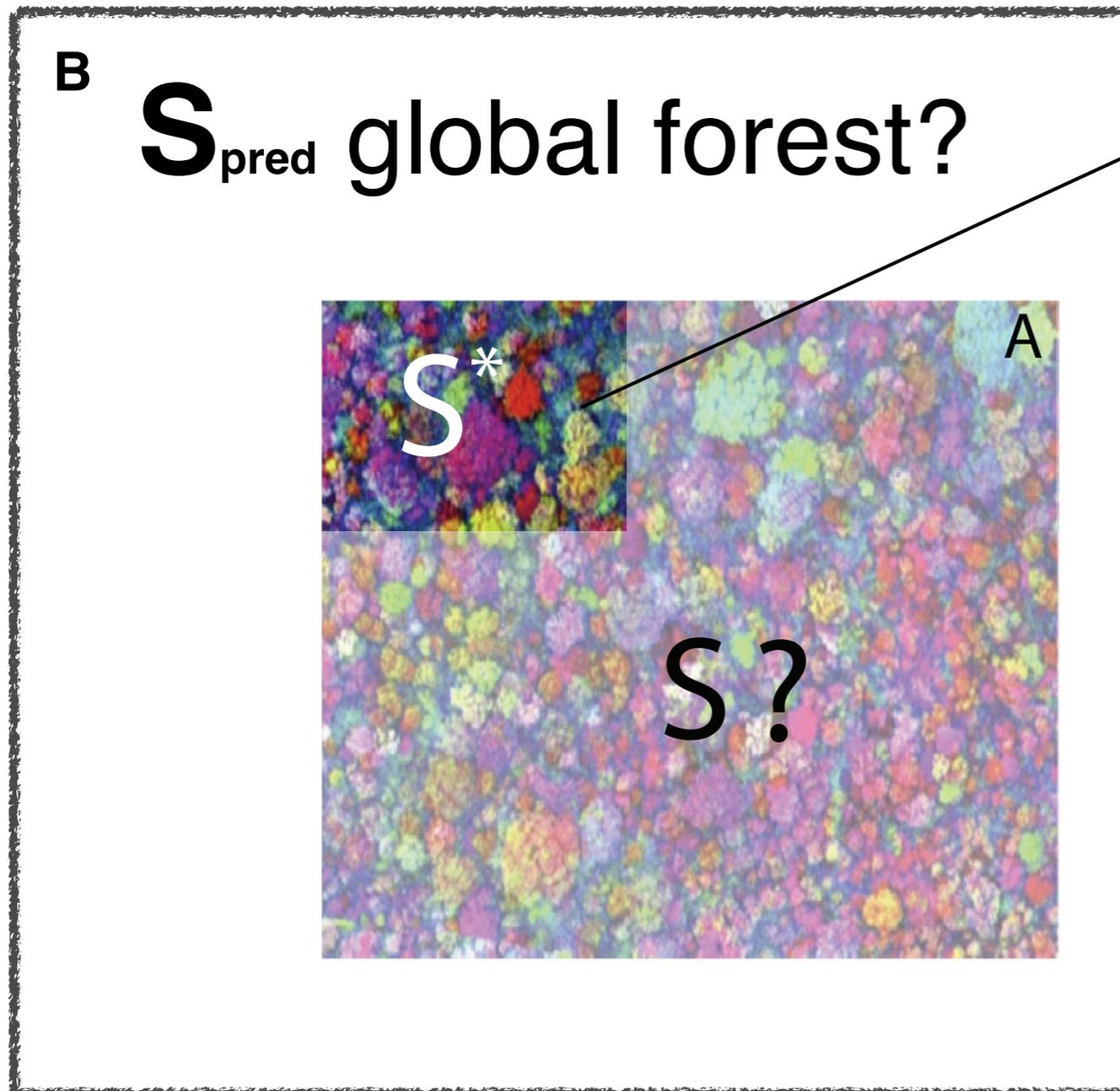
$$\hat{r}_p = r$$

$$S = S_p \frac{1 - (1 - \xi)^r}{1 - (1 - \xi_p)^r},$$

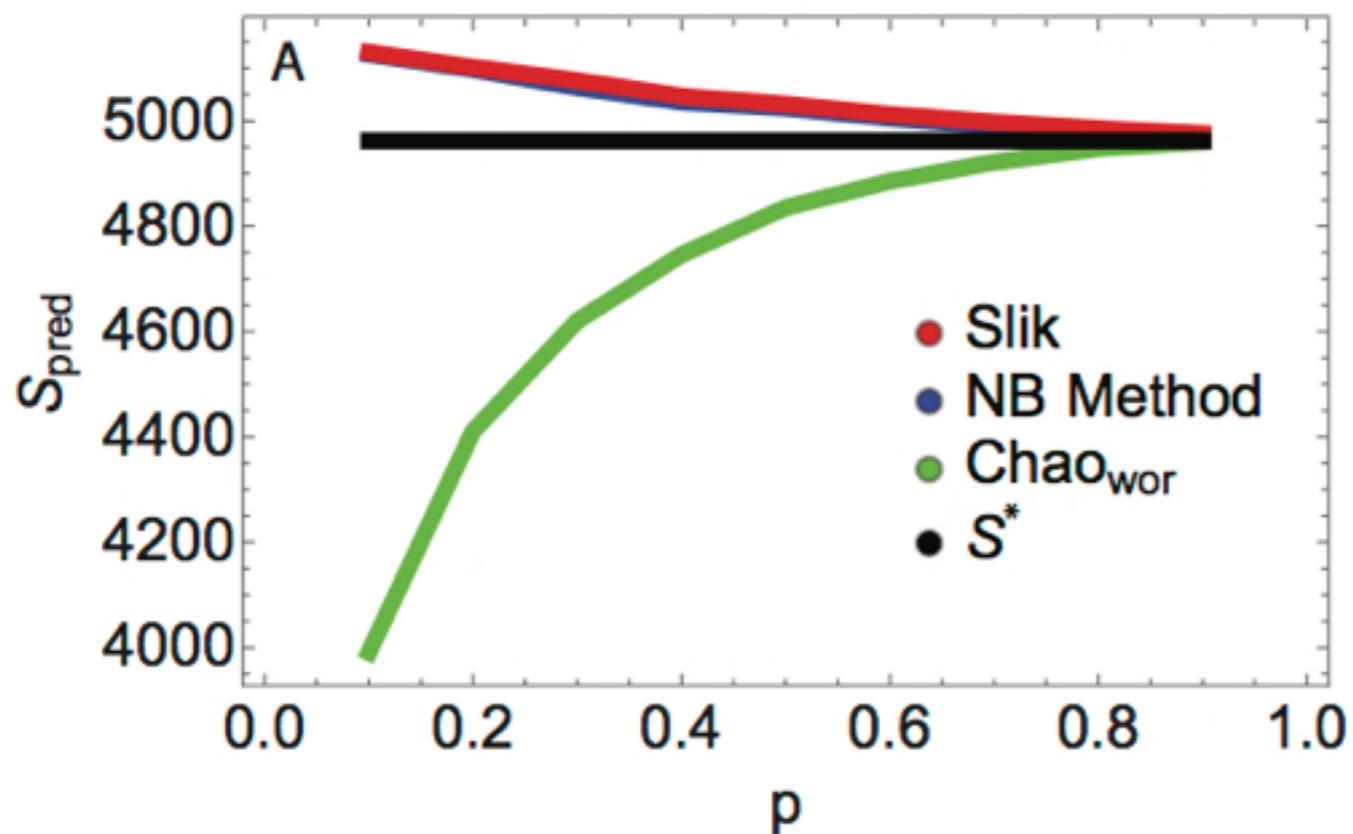
Tests on computer-generated forests.



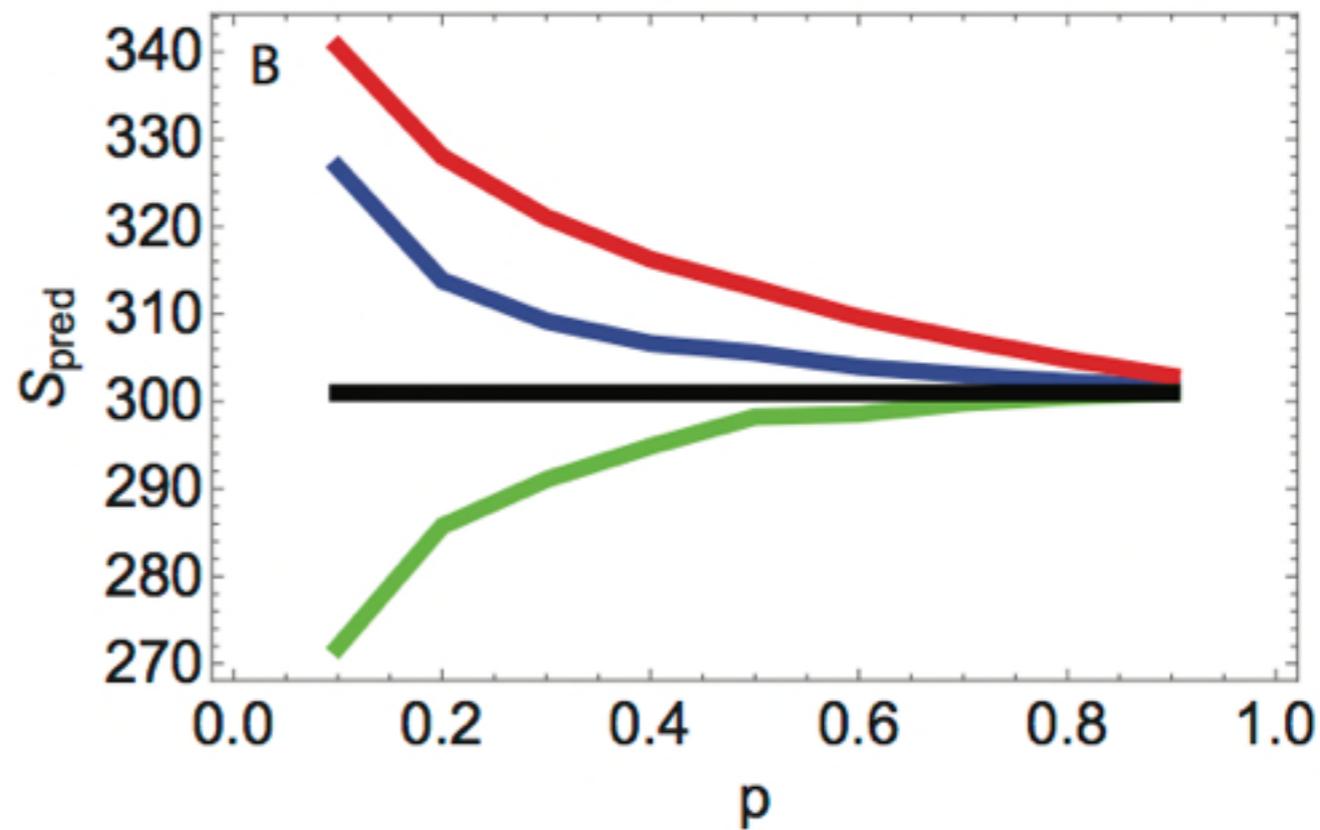
Test su dati empirici



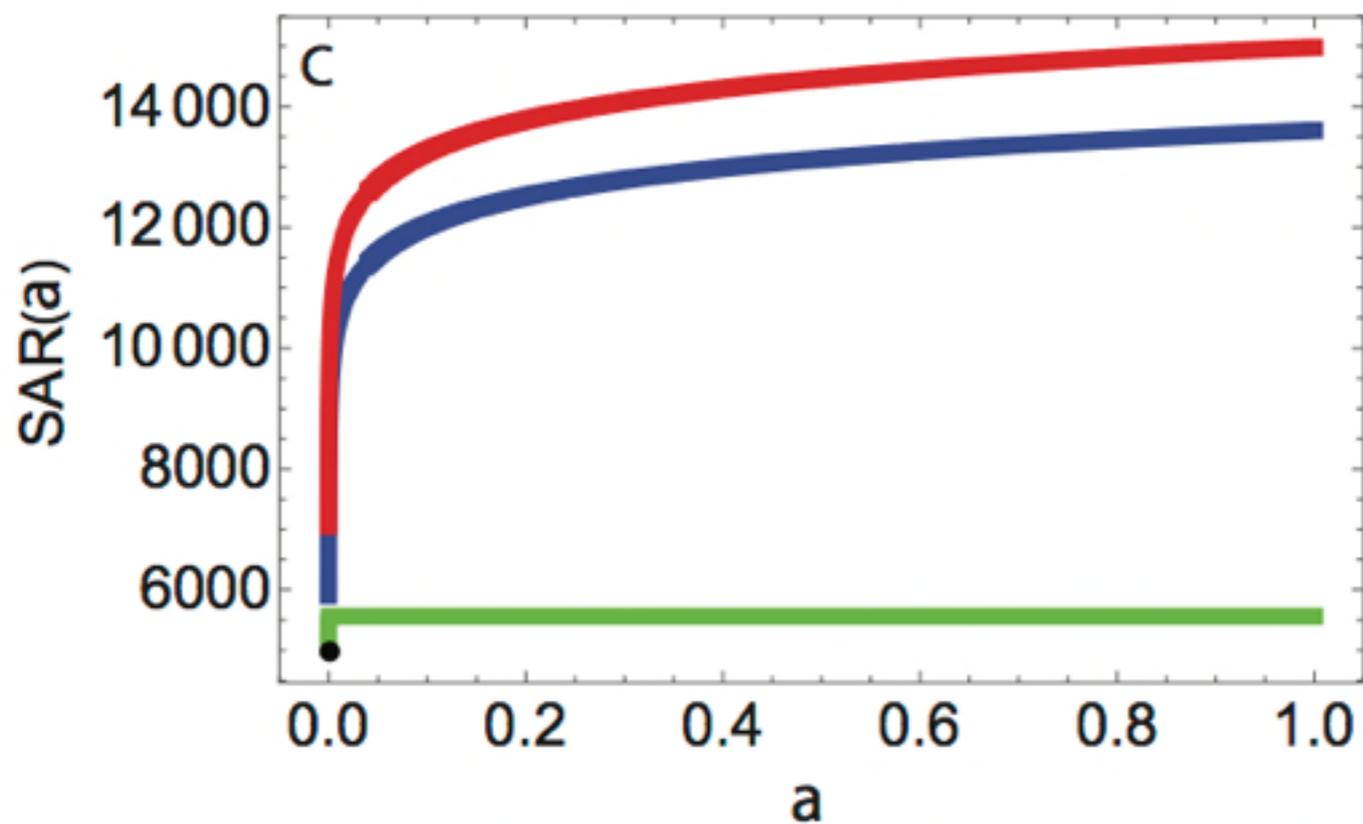
Amazonia



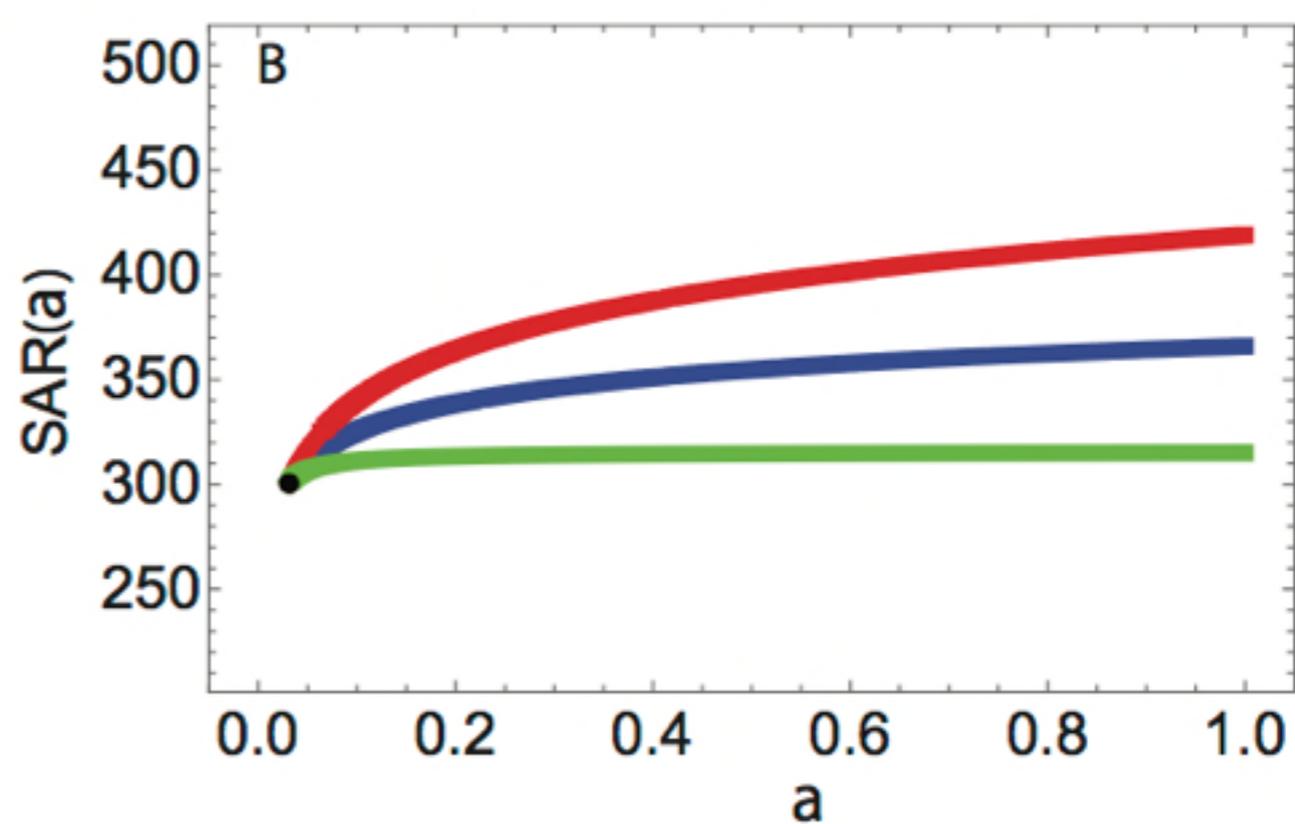
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SAR Amazonia



SAR BCI



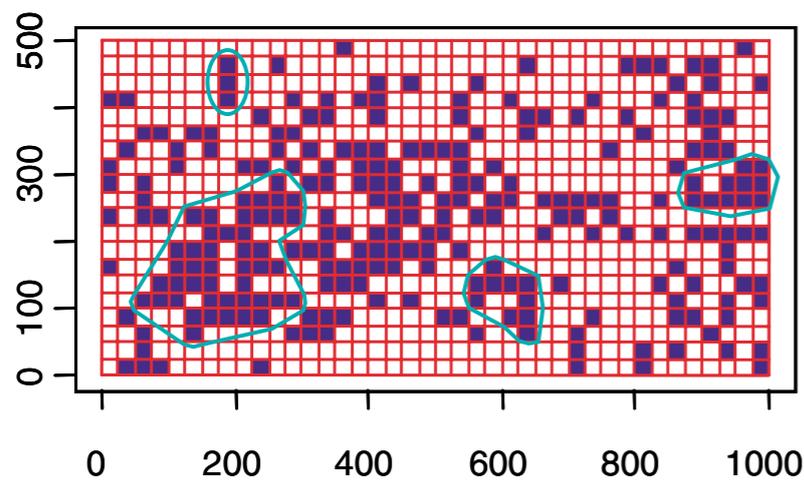
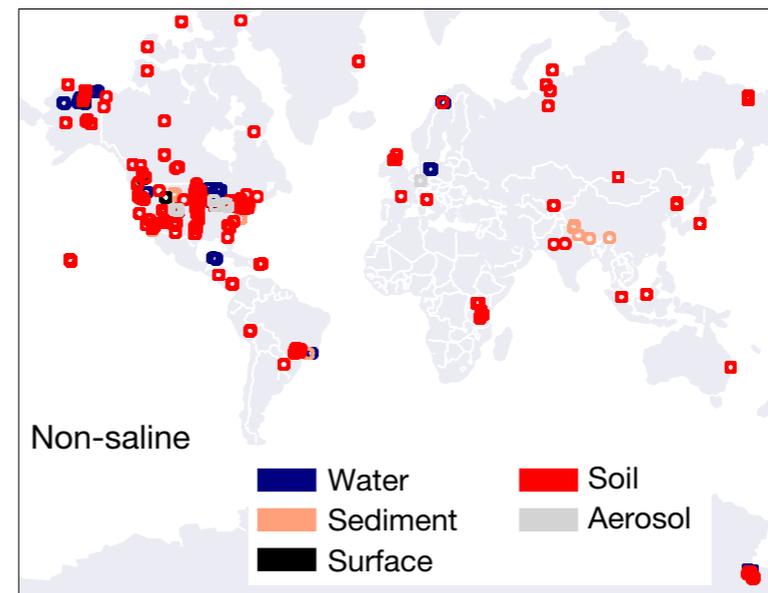
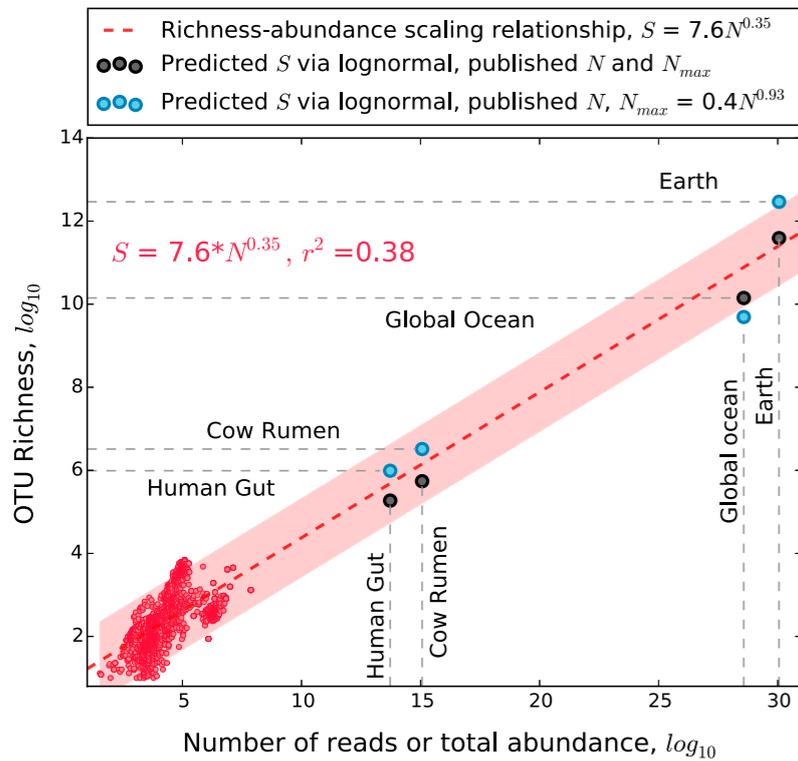
Applicazione ad altri campi

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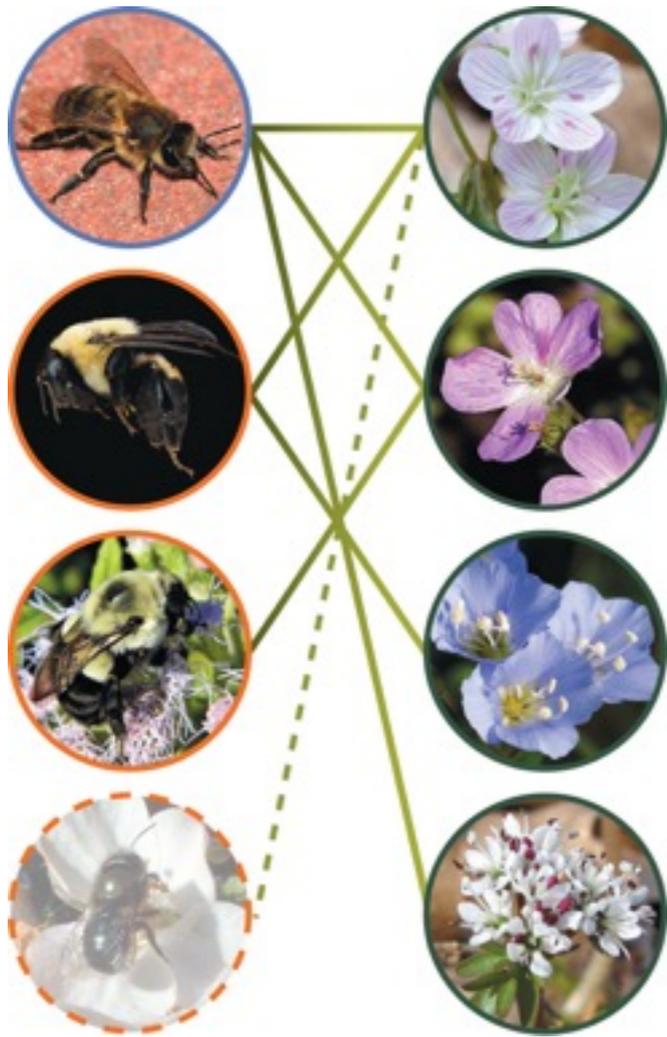
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A communal catalogue reveals Earth's multiscale microbial diversity



Using only presence/absence data?

Ecological Networks



$$S = A + P \text{ species}$$

$$C = L / (A * P)$$



Iwdb
Interaction Web DataBase

home resources contribute data pics blog who we are

Available datasets:



Host-parasite



Plant-ant



Plant-herbivore

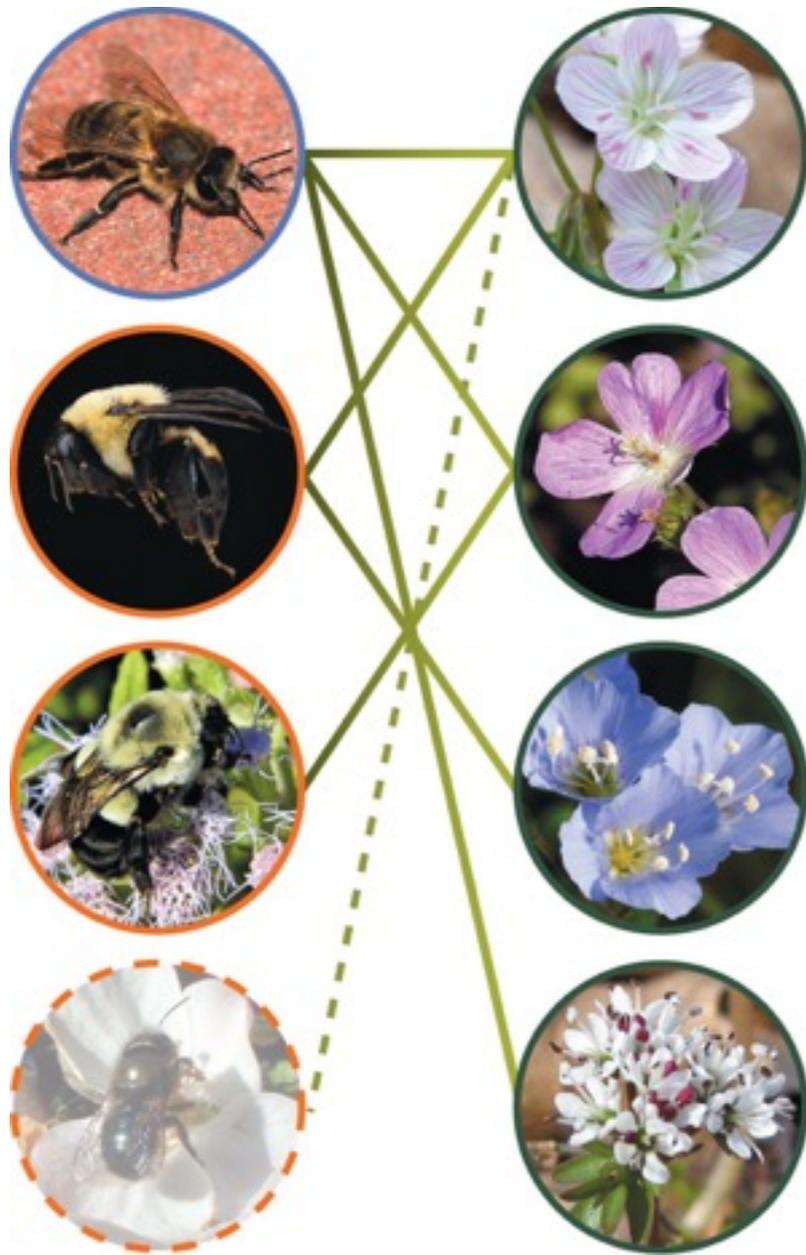


Plant-pollinator

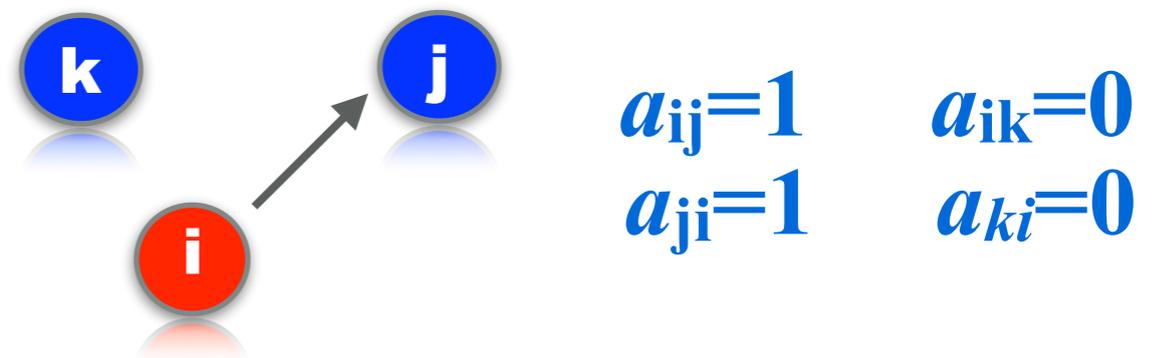
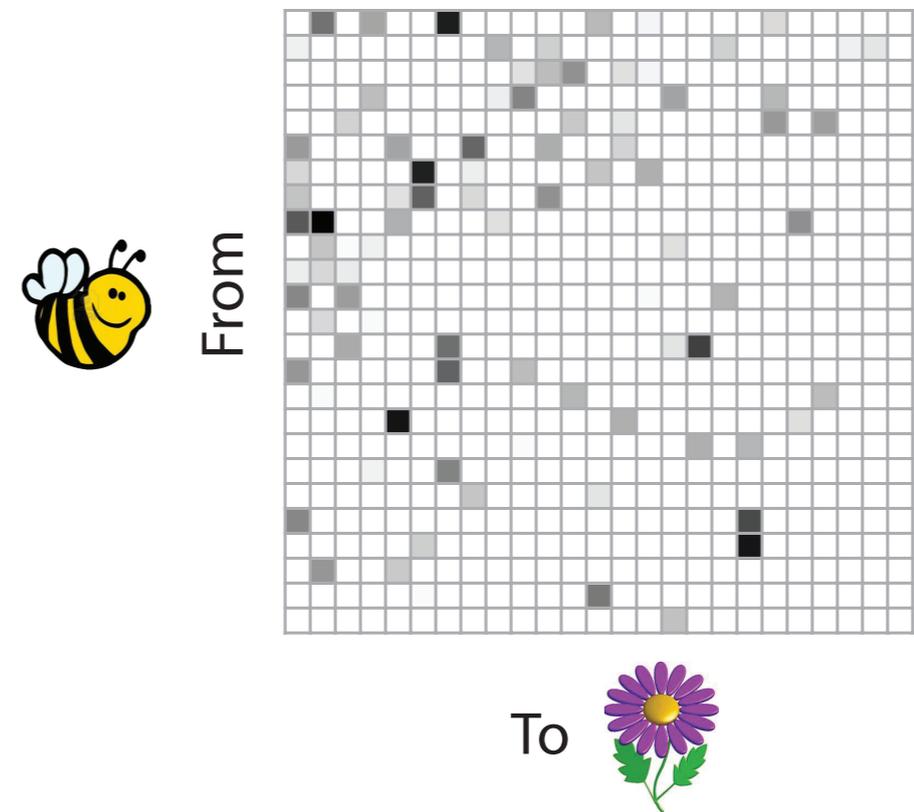


Cosa è una rete (network)?

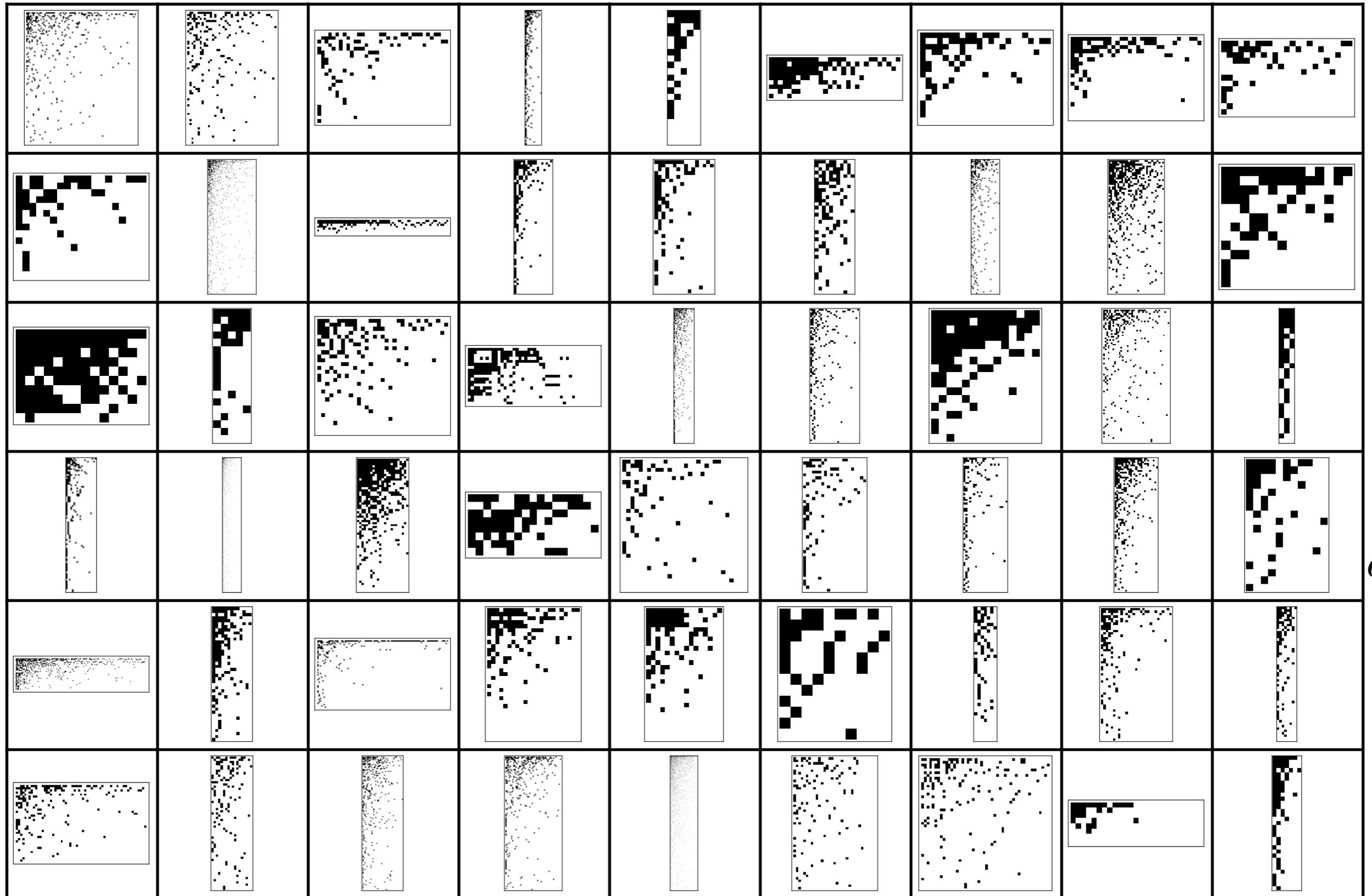
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Matrice (tabella) di adiacenza: A
Se "pesata" M matrice di interazione

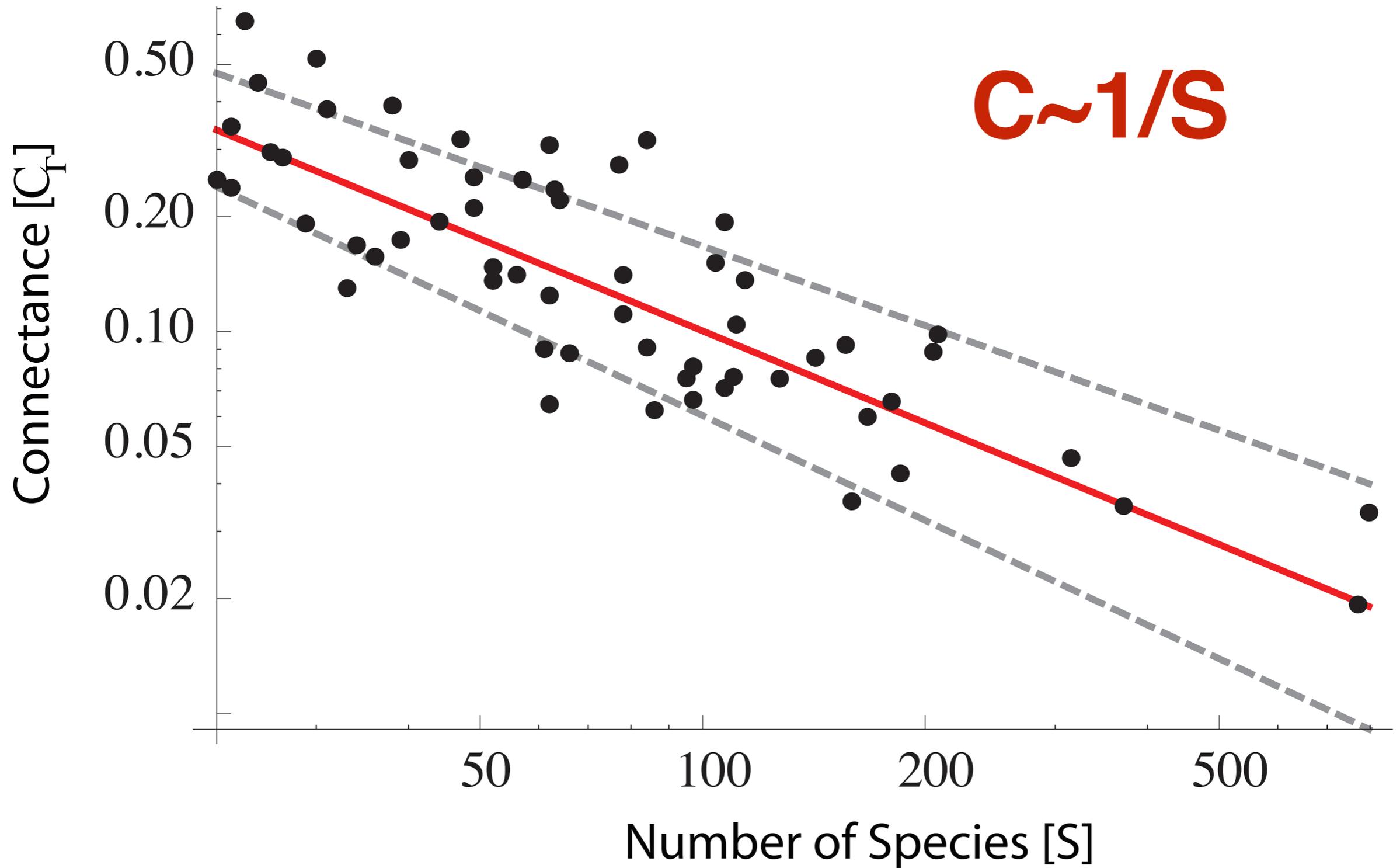


Ancora patterns emergenti!



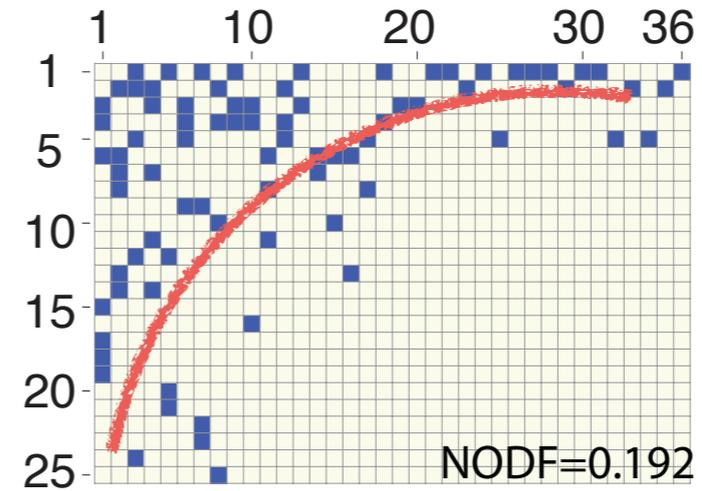
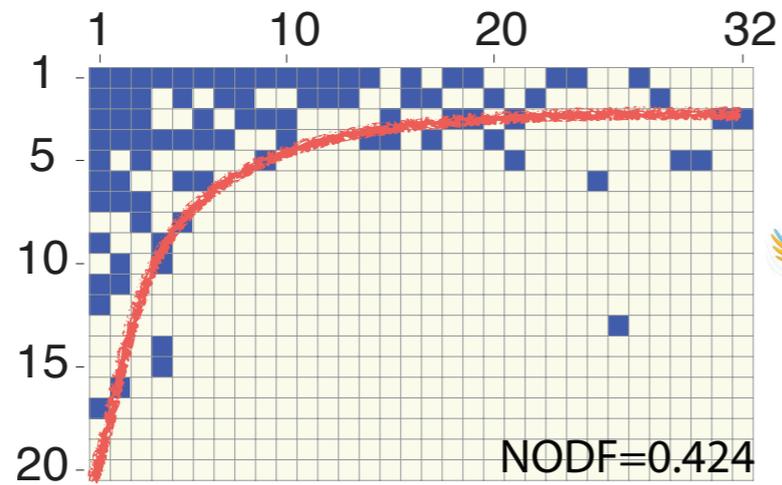
a_{ij}^{PA}

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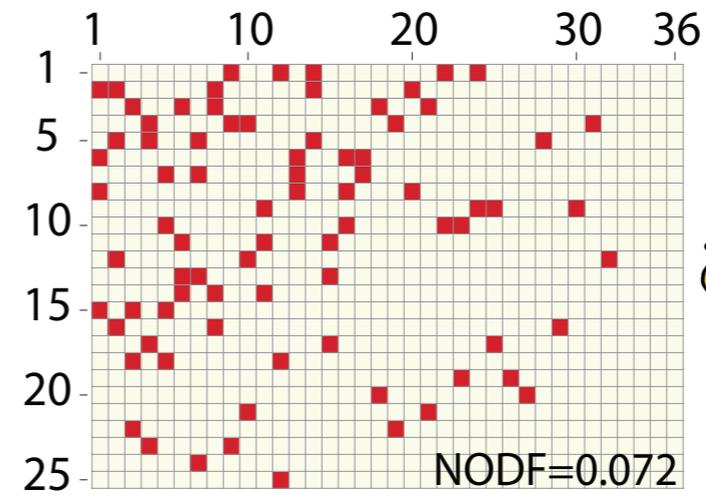
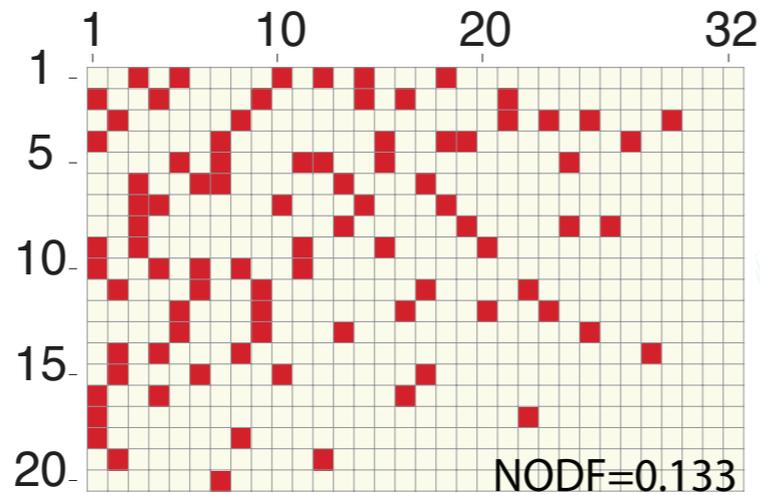
Un'occhiata da più vicino

Avian fruit
web
in Puerto Rico
Carlo, et al.



Plant
Pollinator web
in Chile
Arroyo, et al.

Random
same S,C



Random
same S,C



Annidamento → NODF

Perchè queste proprietà emergente?

Che vantaggio hanno le specie ad auto-organizzarsi in quel modo?

LETTER

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Emergence of structural and dynamical properties of ecological mutualistic networks

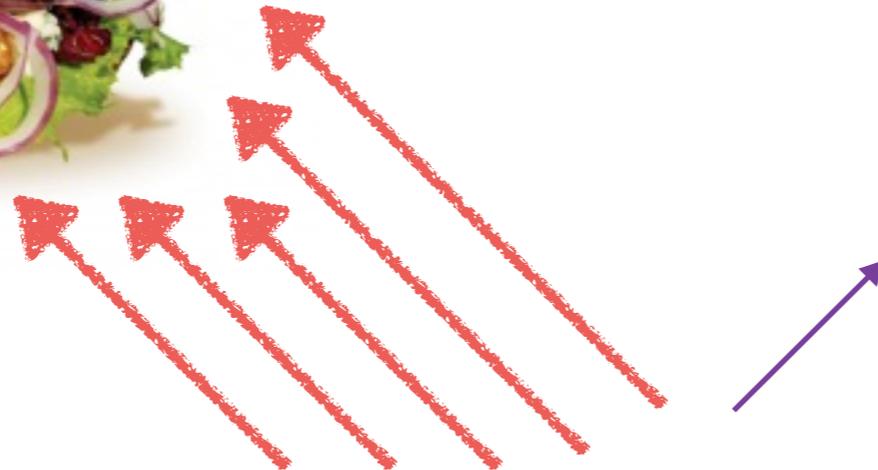
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La mia strategia

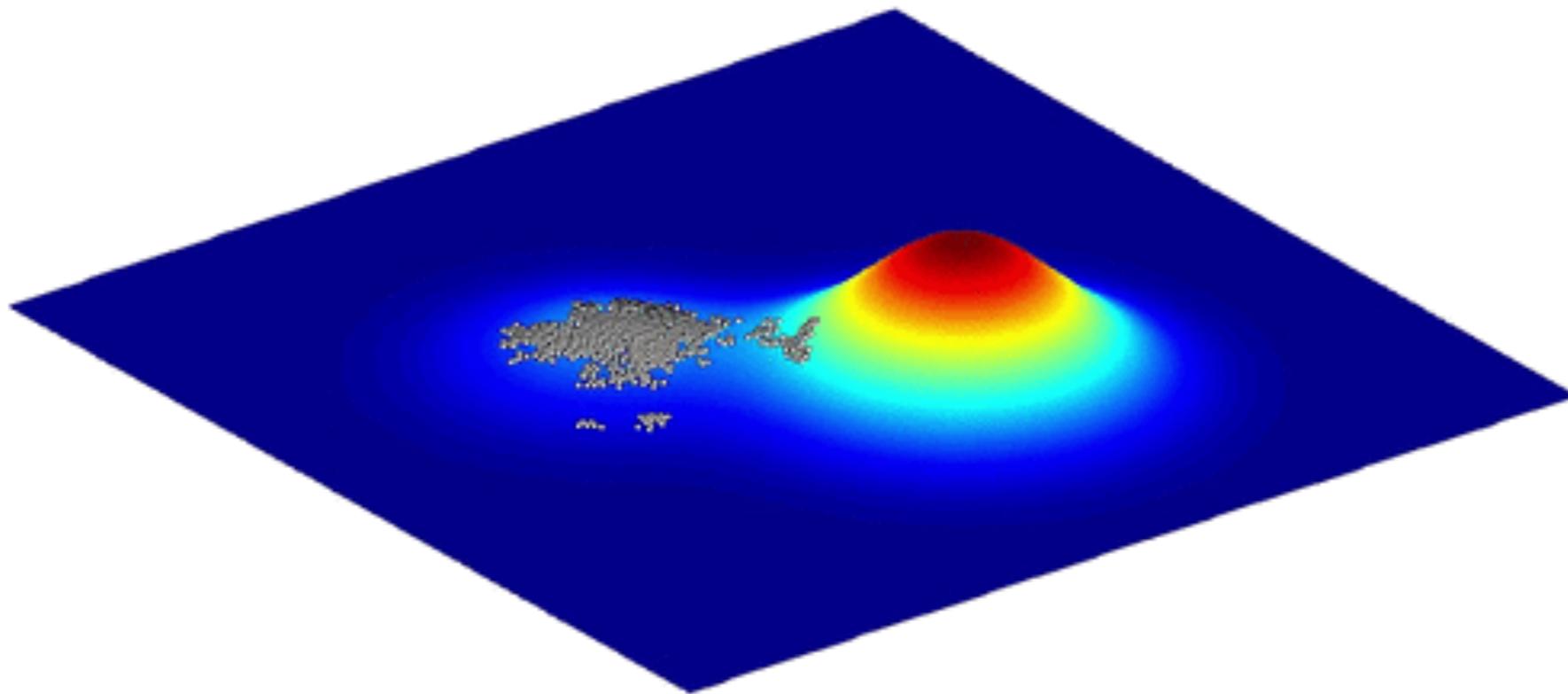


Stessa idea!



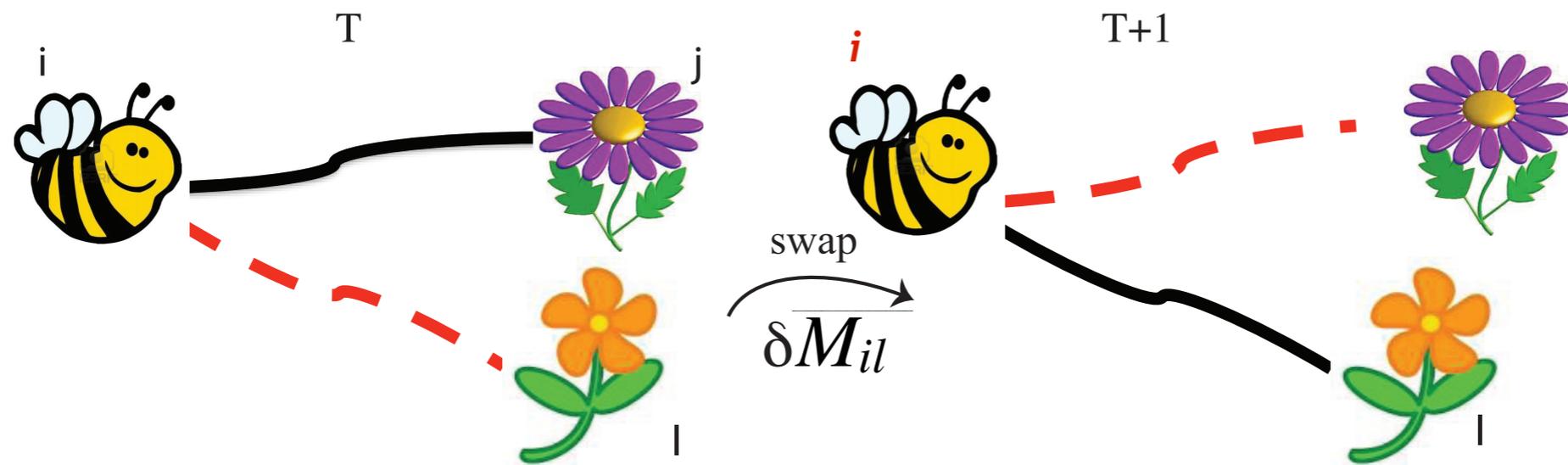
Principio di ottimizzazione

- **Variabile che indica le popolazioni delle specie $x = \{x_1, x_2, \dots, x_s\}$**
- **Matrice di interazione M scelta a caso**
- **Modello dinamico per l'evoluzione della popolazione data M**



Implementazione del principio di Ottimizzazione

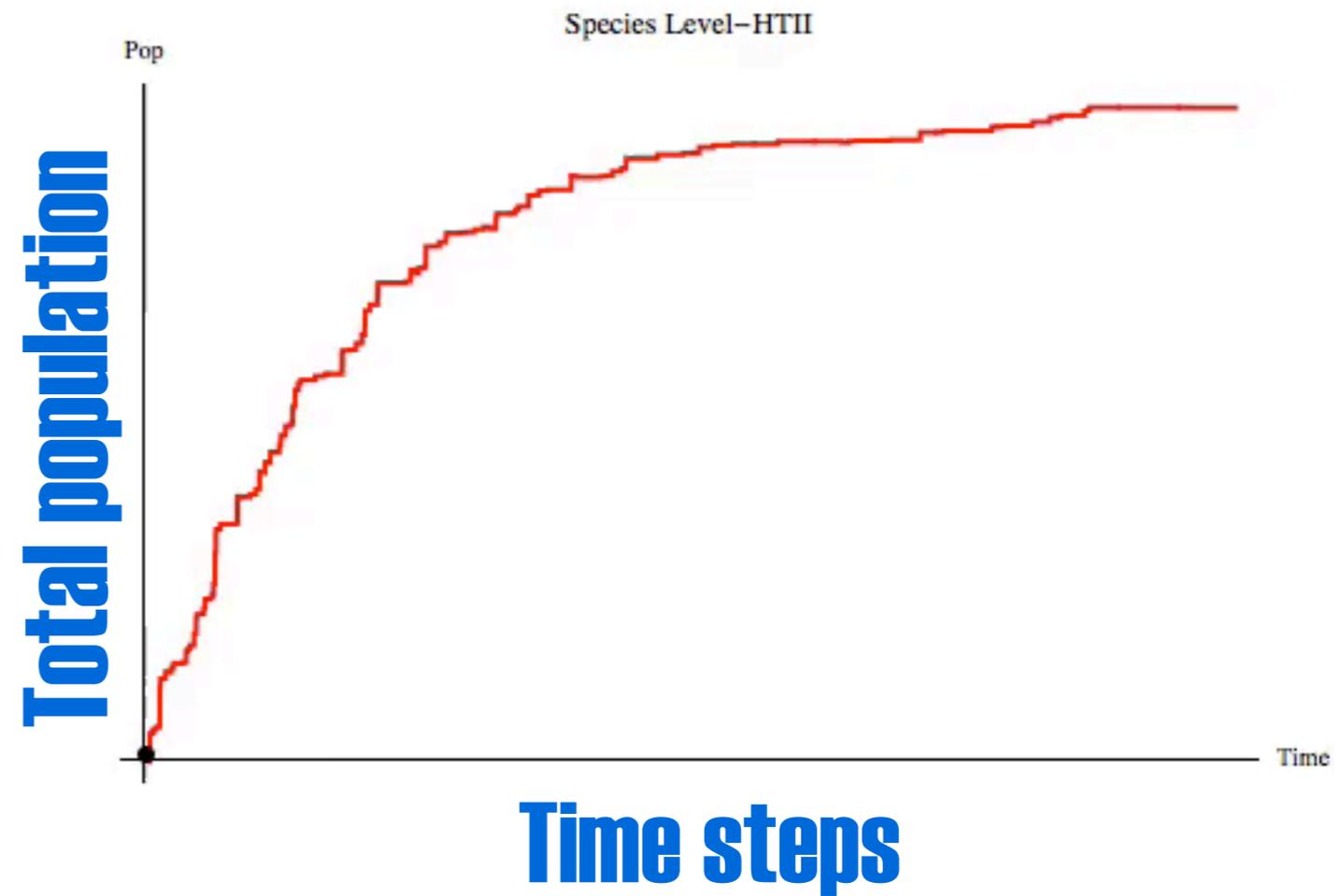
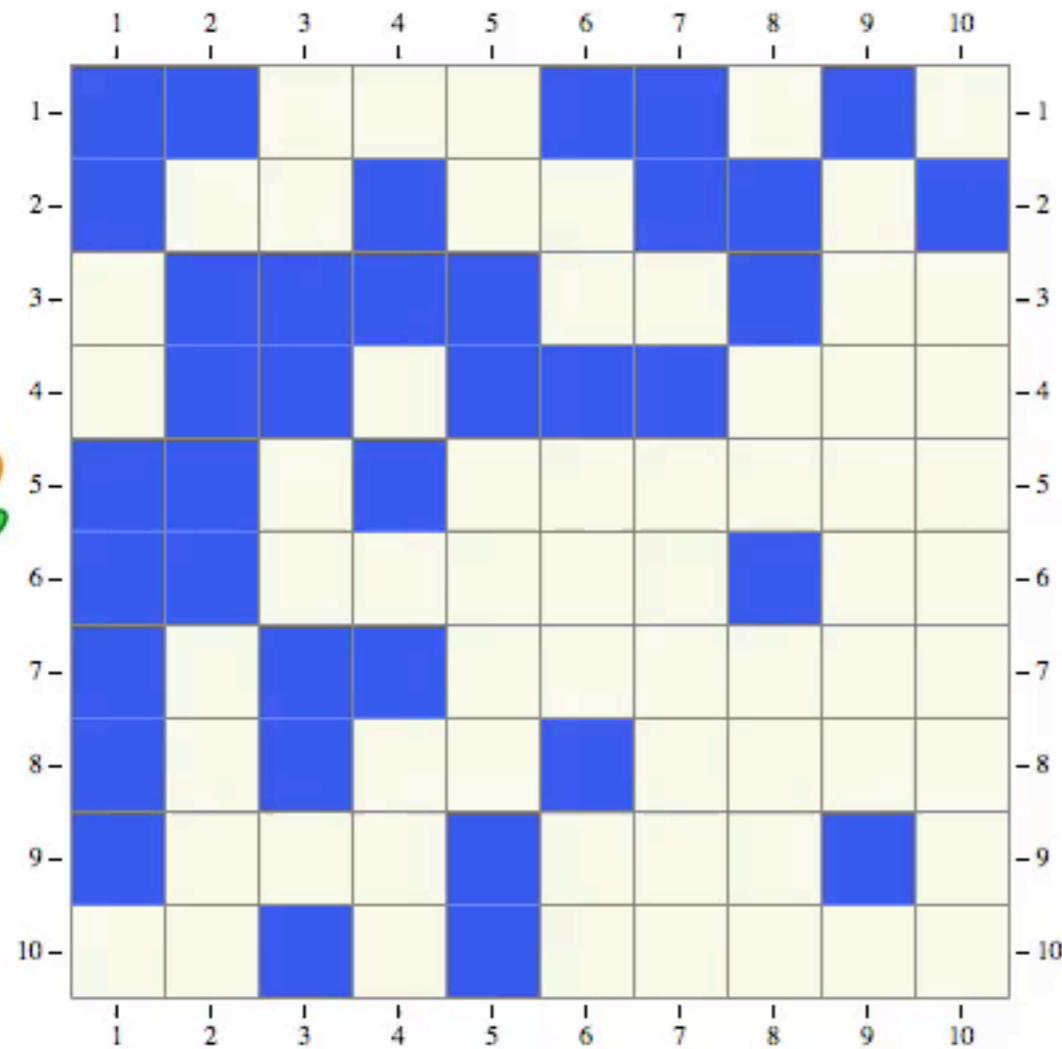
Iniziamo con popolazioni a caso e M a caso



**Strategia: se mangio meglio
cambio fiore!**

$$M \Rightarrow M'$$
$$\text{if } x_i'^* > x_i^*$$

Simulazione del modello: Emergenza di annidamento



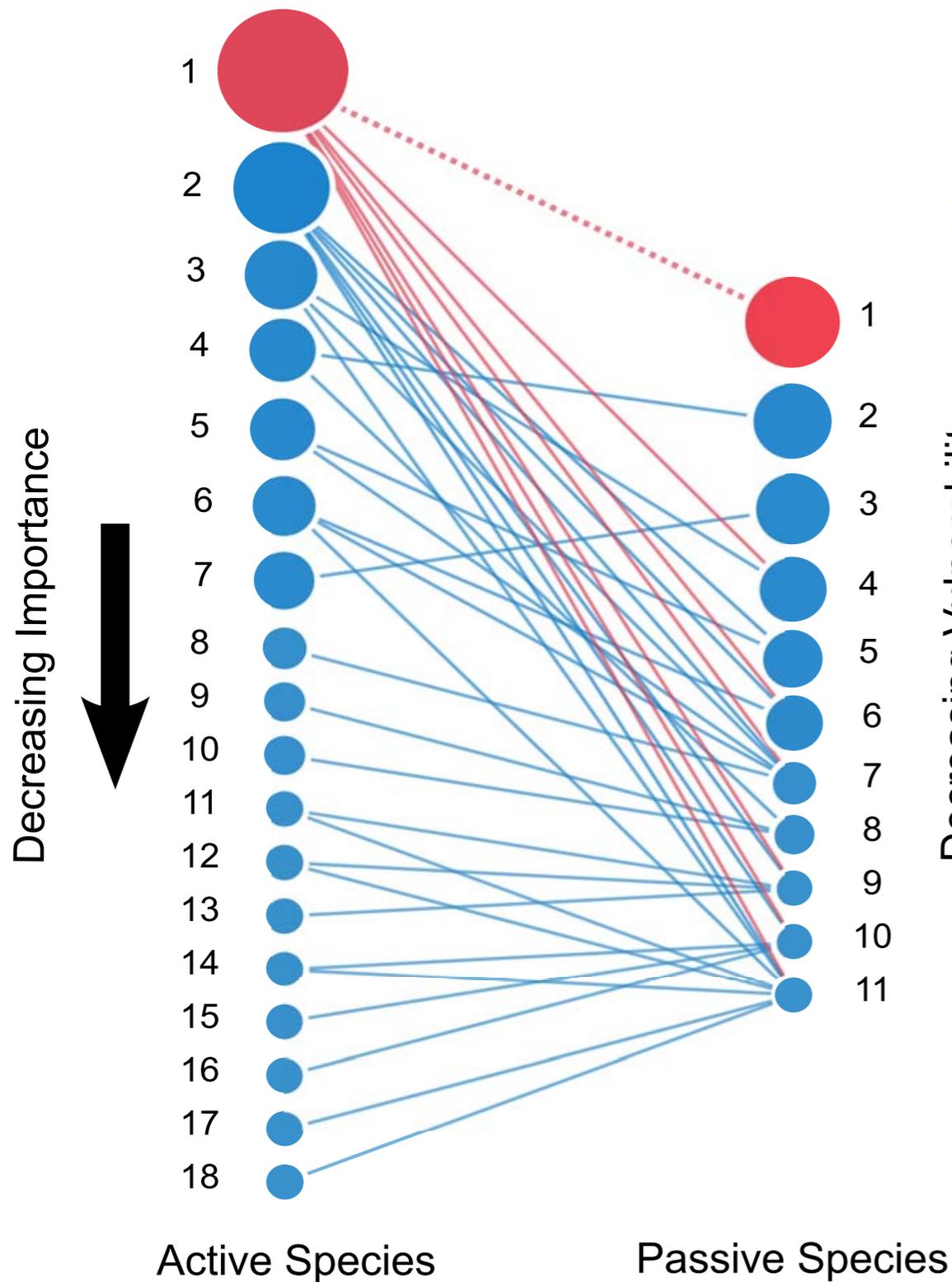
Perchè studiare questi sistemi?

Servizi ecosistemici



- **Circa 1/3 of del cibo è prodotto grazie all'azione degli impollinatori.**
- **Ci sono più di 20,000 differenti specie di api**
- **Circa il 75% dei campi coltivati (tra cui caffè, molti frutti, mandorle e cioccolato) dipende dall'impollinazione**
- **I servizi annui prodotti dall'impollinazione sono valutati 10 miliardi\$**

Declino di biodiversità e cascata di estinzioni



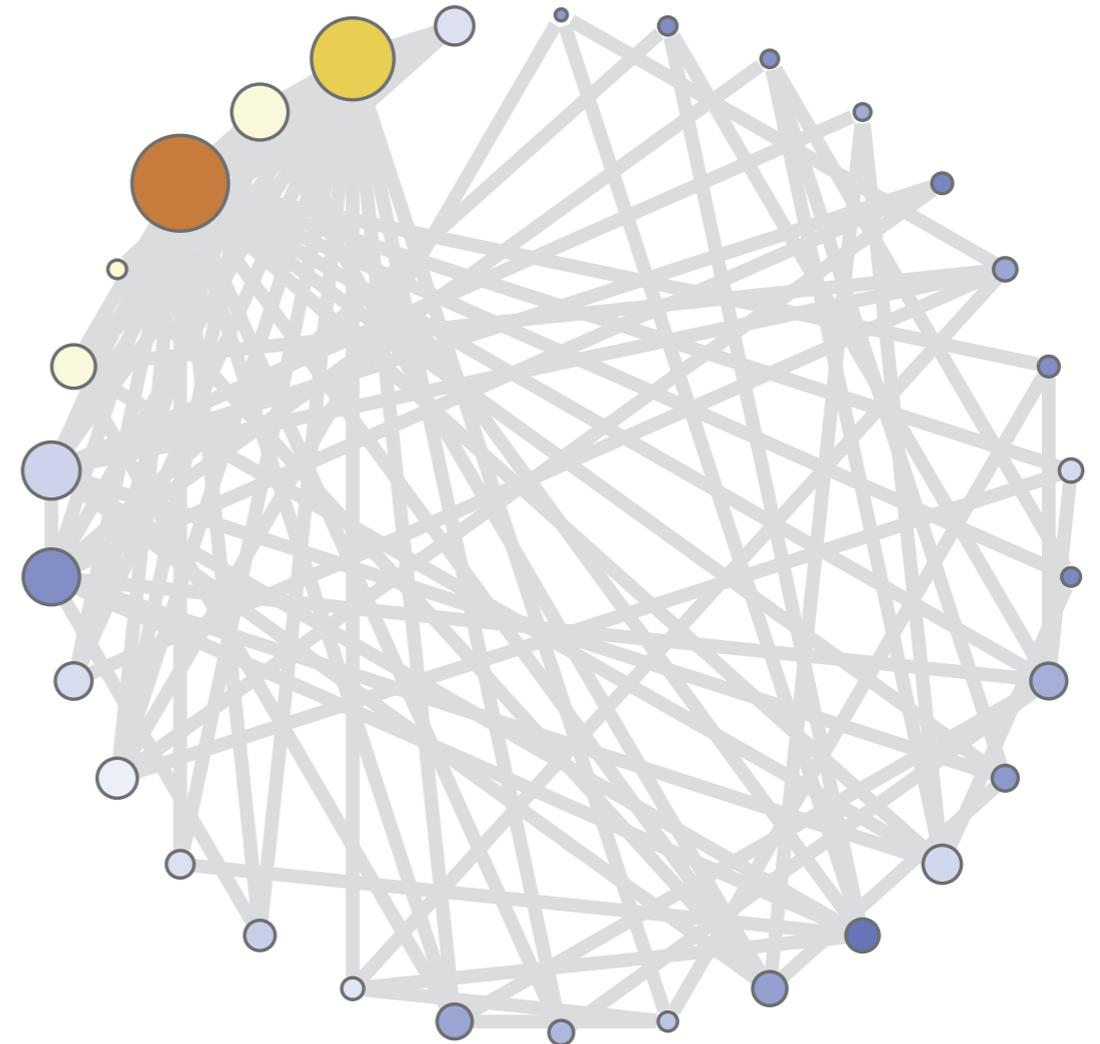
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