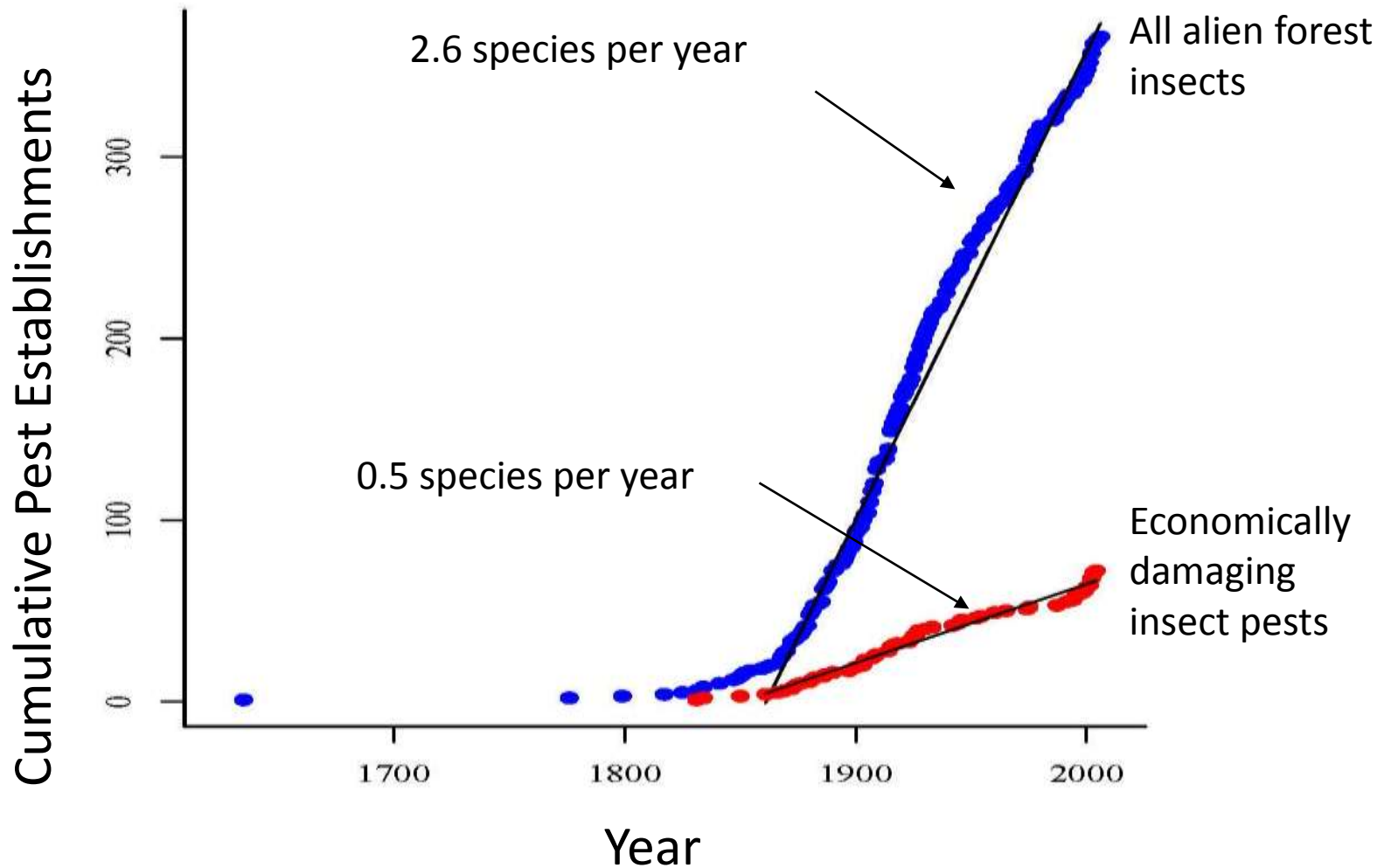


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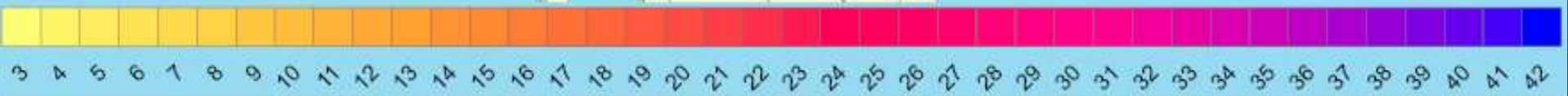
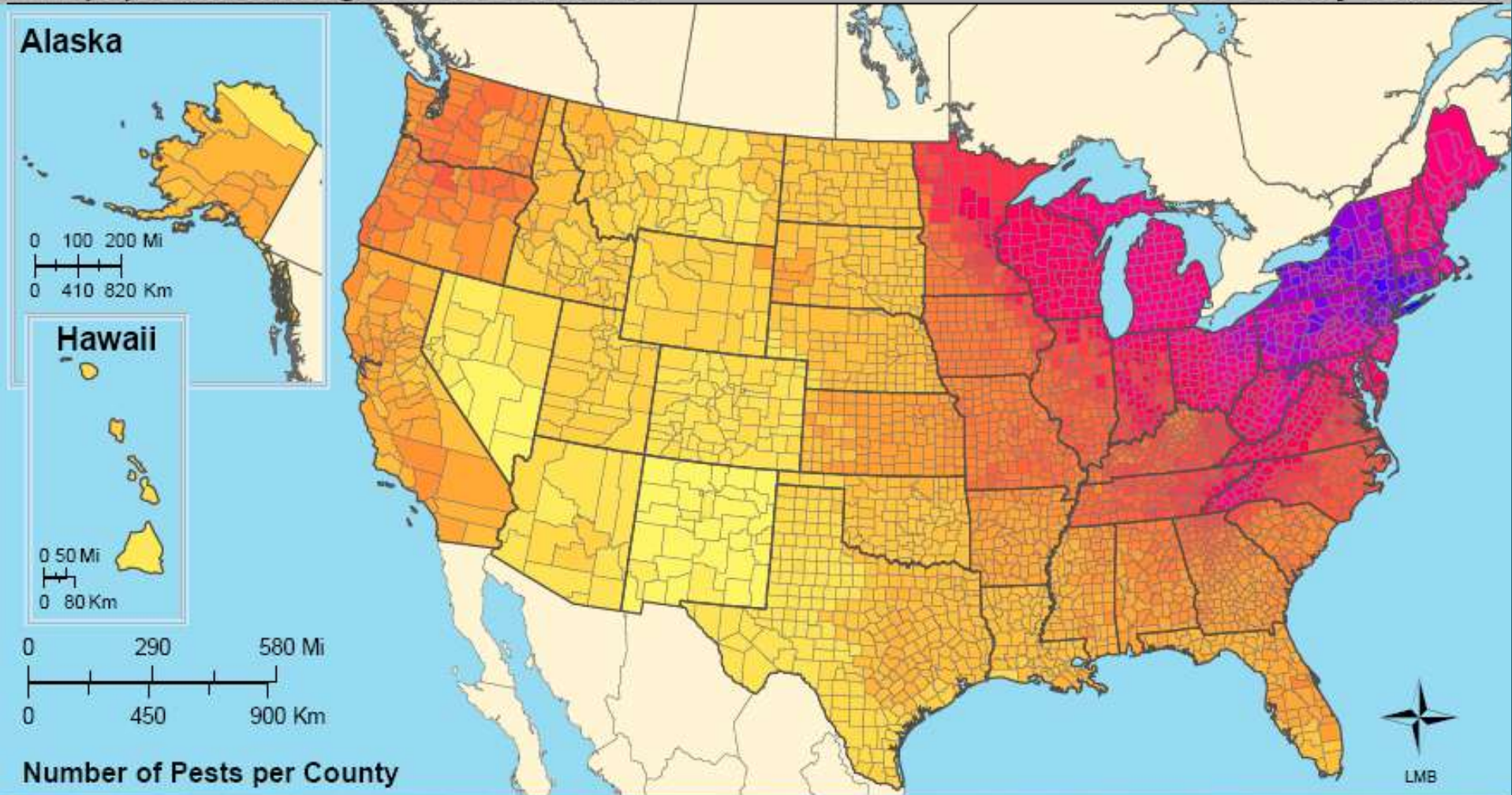


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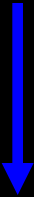
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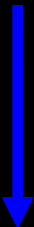


Three Universal Phases of Biological Invasions

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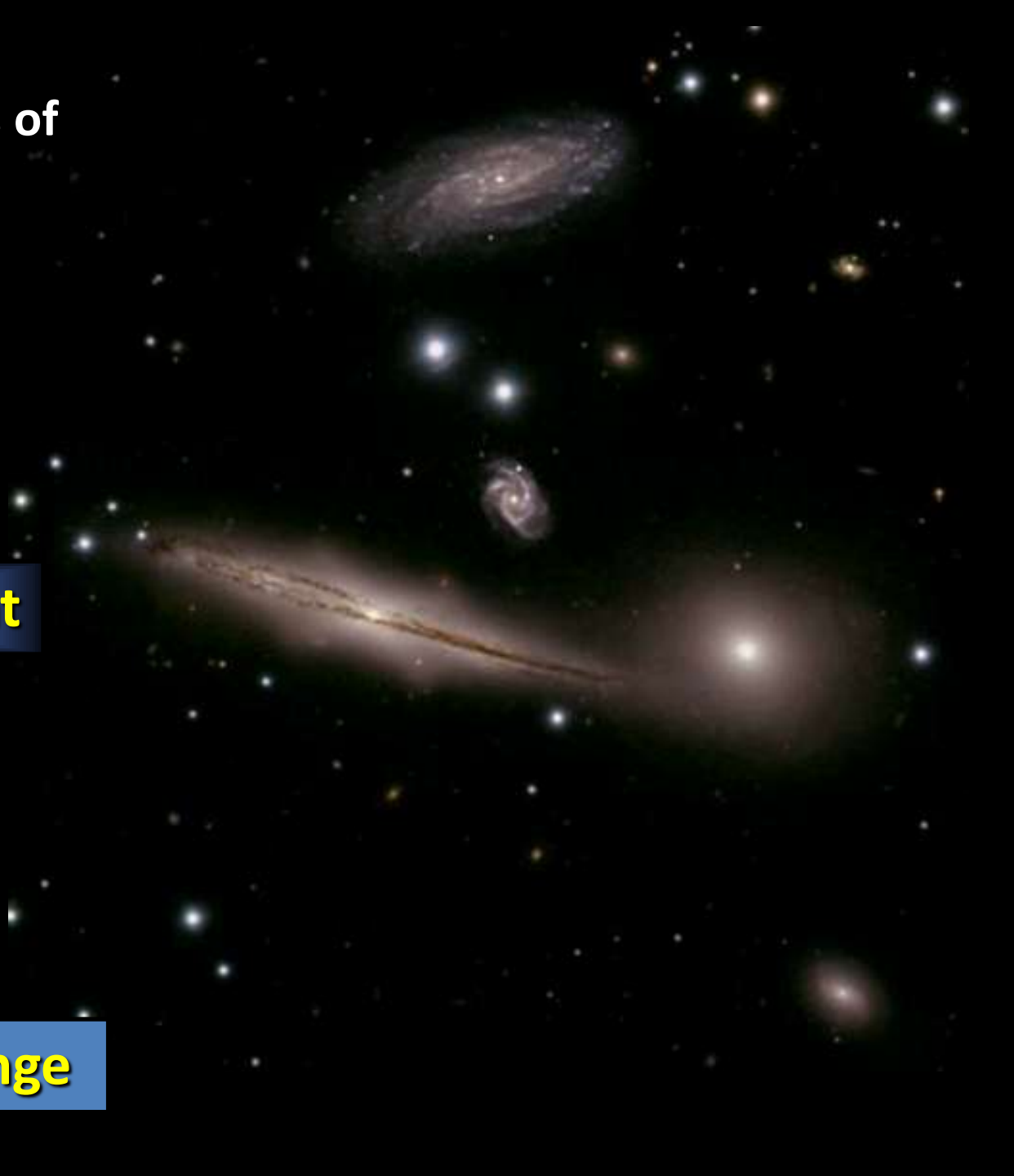
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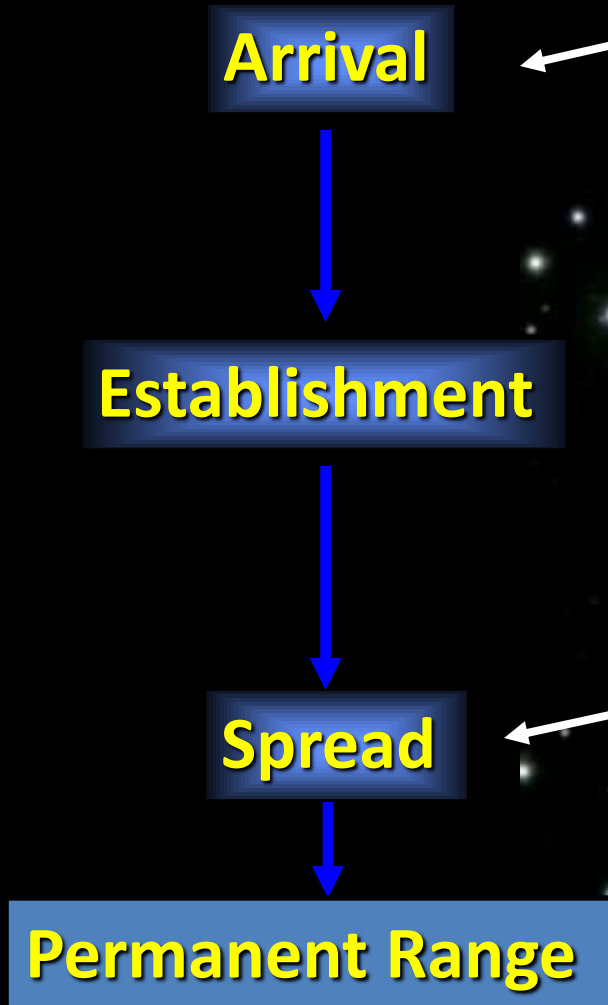
Spread



Permanent Range



Three Universal Phases of Biological Invasions



Methods for Managing Biological Invasions

Quarantine, inspection

Detection, eradication

Barrier Zones,
domestic quarantines

Biological Control

Detection and Eradication of Invading Populations to Prevent Establishment

● Detection (e.g., trapping)

Goal: to find newly founded populations



● Eradication (e.g., spraying)

Goal: to force a population into extinction



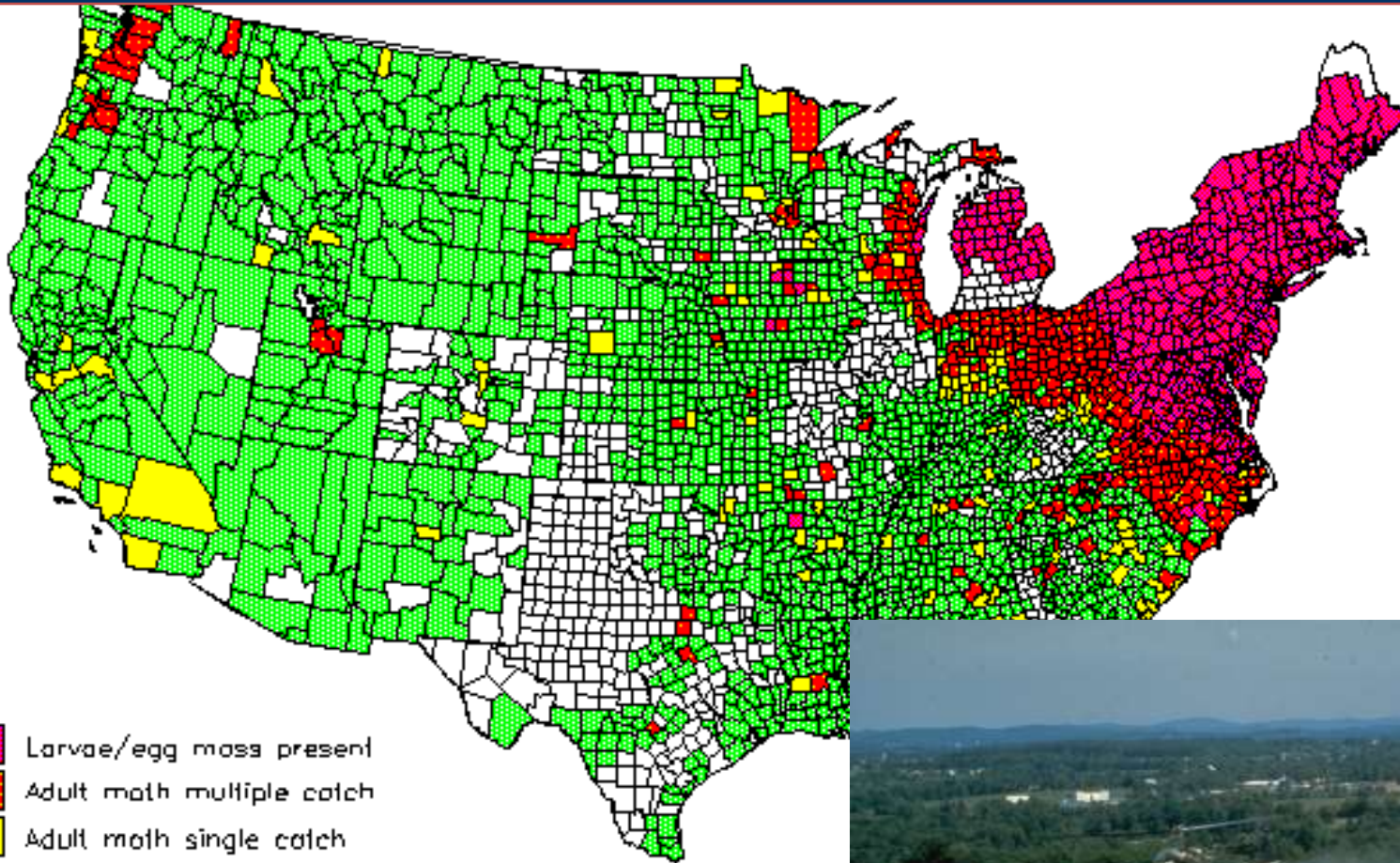
Eradication:






“The total elimination of a species from a geographical area” *



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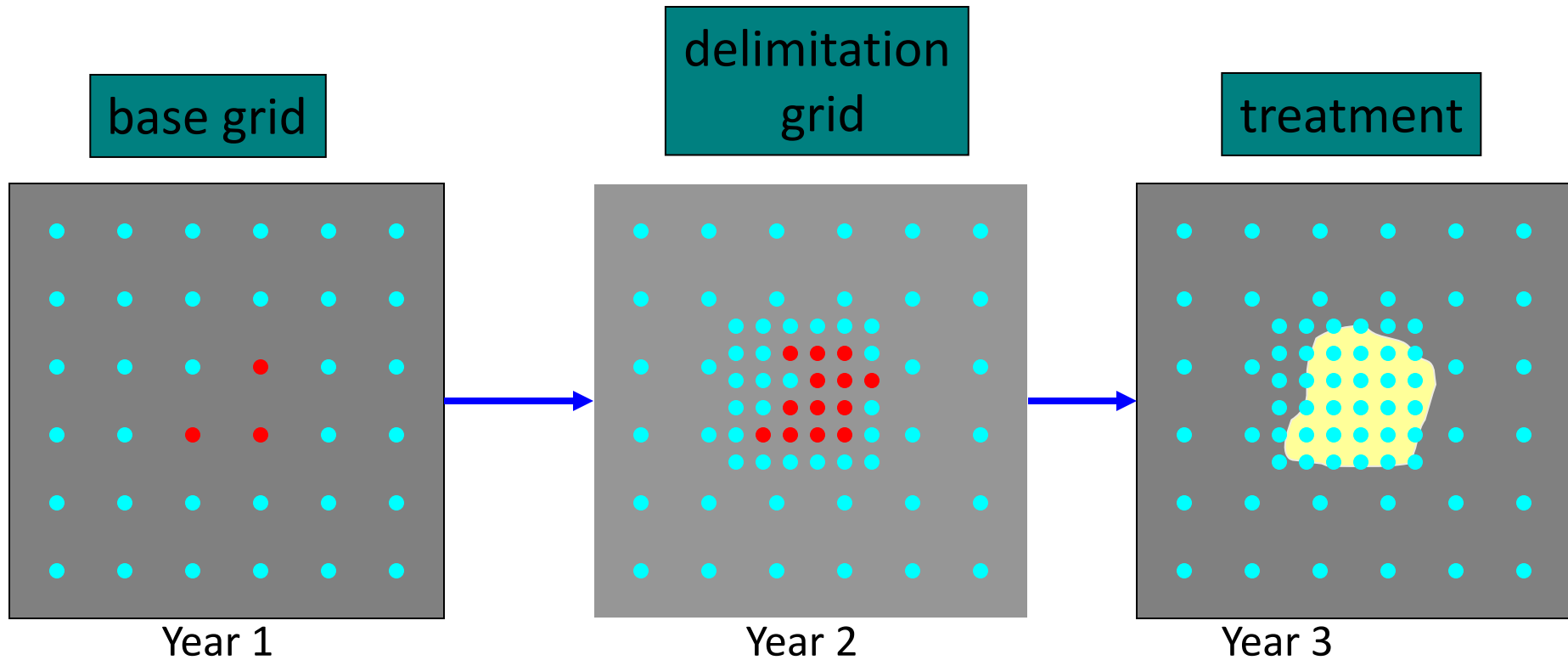
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Eradication via aerial spraying of Bt

Use of pheromone traps to locate and delimit isolated colonies prior to eradication



● 0 moths/trap

● >0 moths/trap



treatment



Warren Co., NC, 1985-88 Population

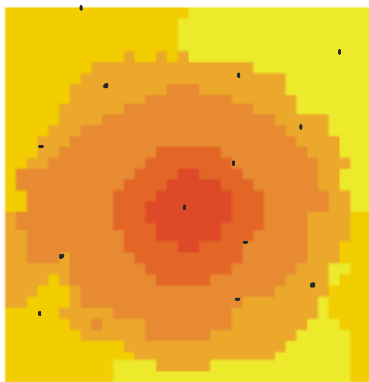
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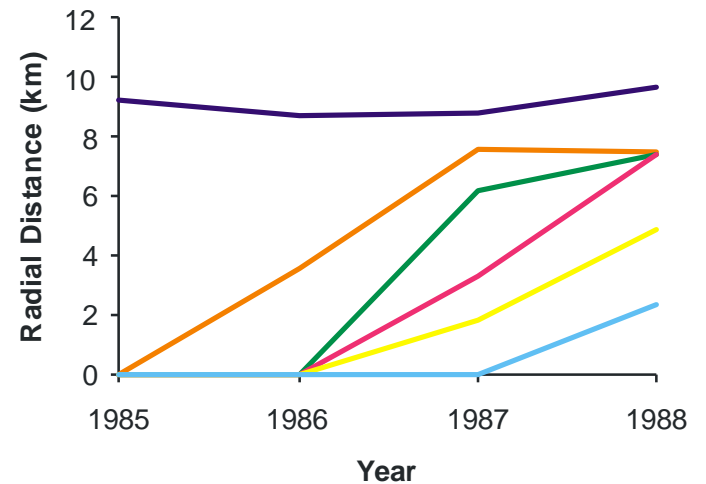
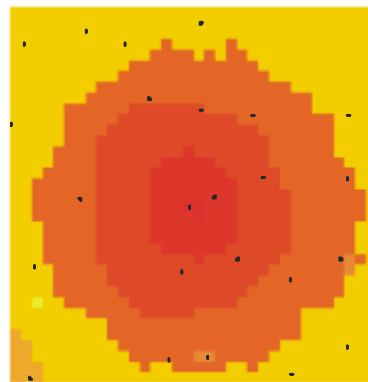
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• Trapping Grid

Trap count threshold



Trap count threshold



Locator Map

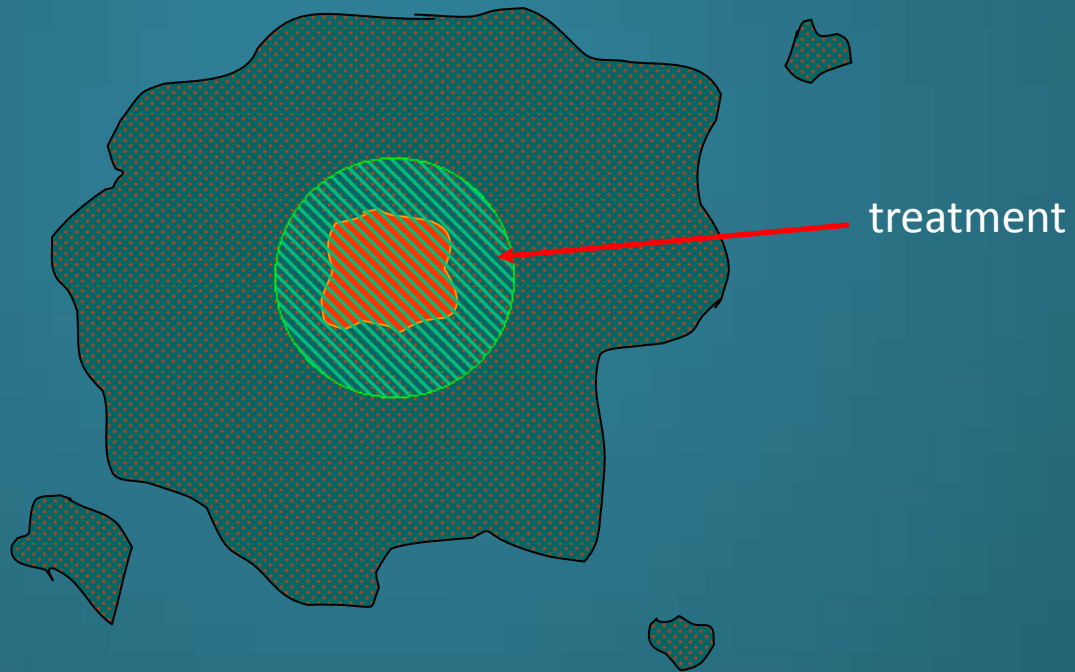


Painted apple moth eradication

- Initial eradication efforts used destruction of plant material and spraying of plant material from the ground
- Ultimately eradicated via a combination of aerial application of *Bacillus thuringiensis*, and sterile insect releases



Eradication treatment area when core population can be easily located

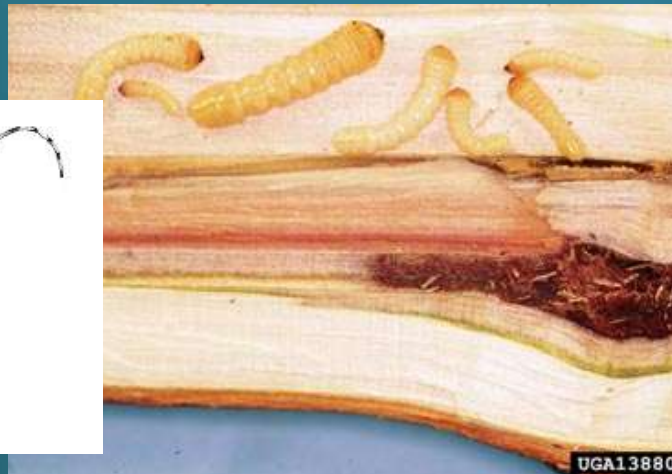


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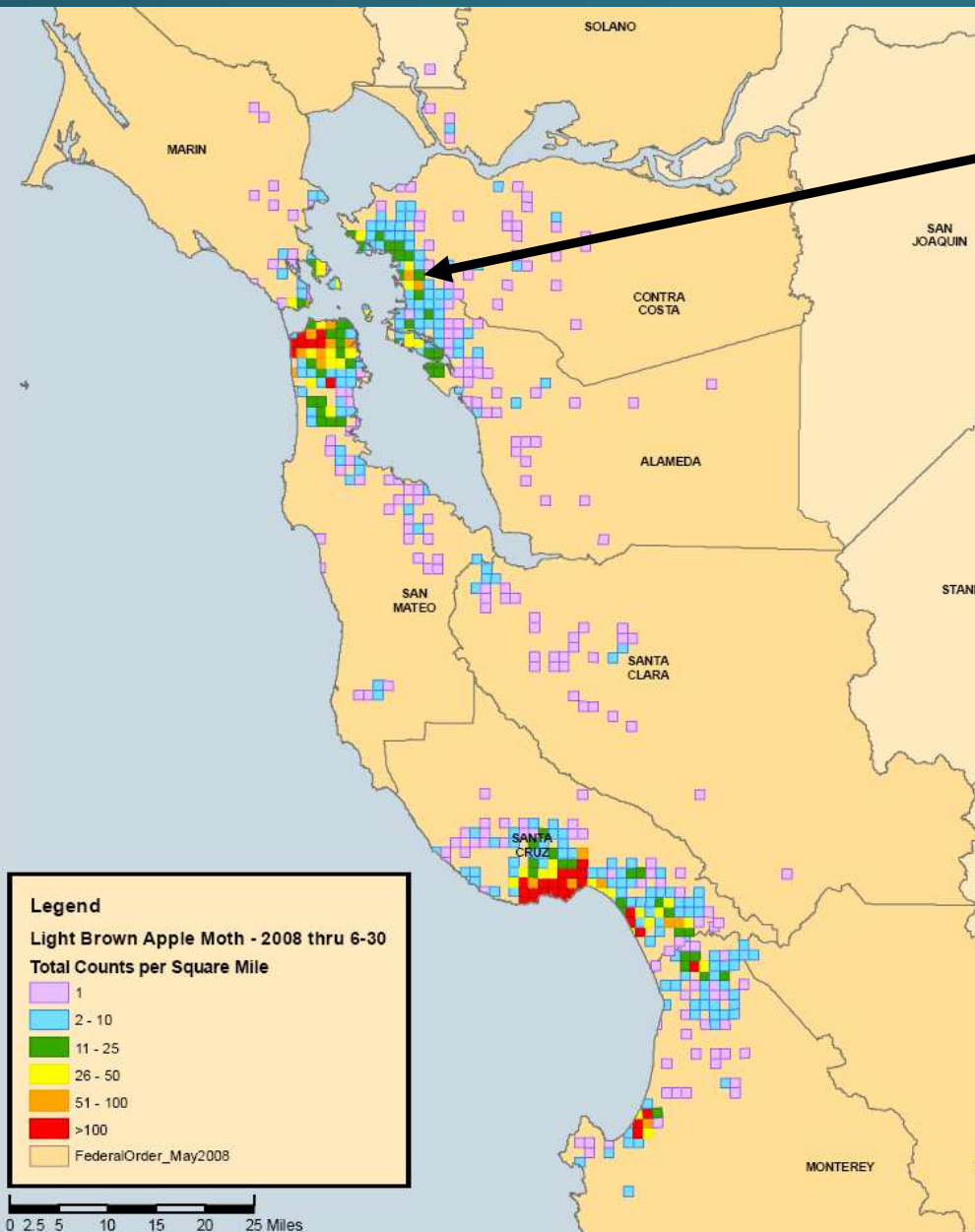
Asian Longhorned beetle eradication from Chicago

- Discovered in 1998
- Surveyed via visual inspection by tree climbers
- Over 1550 trees cut and chipped/burned
- Imidacloprid treatments of all host species within ½ mile of known infestations
- Declared eradicated in 2006



Lightbrown Apple Moth

Jerry Powell runs light trap for 22 years and detects one *E. postvittana* in July, 2006 and 4-5 moths in 2007



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Eradication is impossible because it requires killing 100% of all individuals

James R. Carey declaration to Federal Court,
November 20, 2007



“Eradication of populations of exotic insect species is especially difficult for the same reason that metastatic cancer is so difficult to cure--anything short of 100% elimination is control (management) and not eradication (cure). Thus even a 99% success in the elimination of metastases is ultimately a failure in the sense that small residual pockets of insects can regenerate the entire population.”

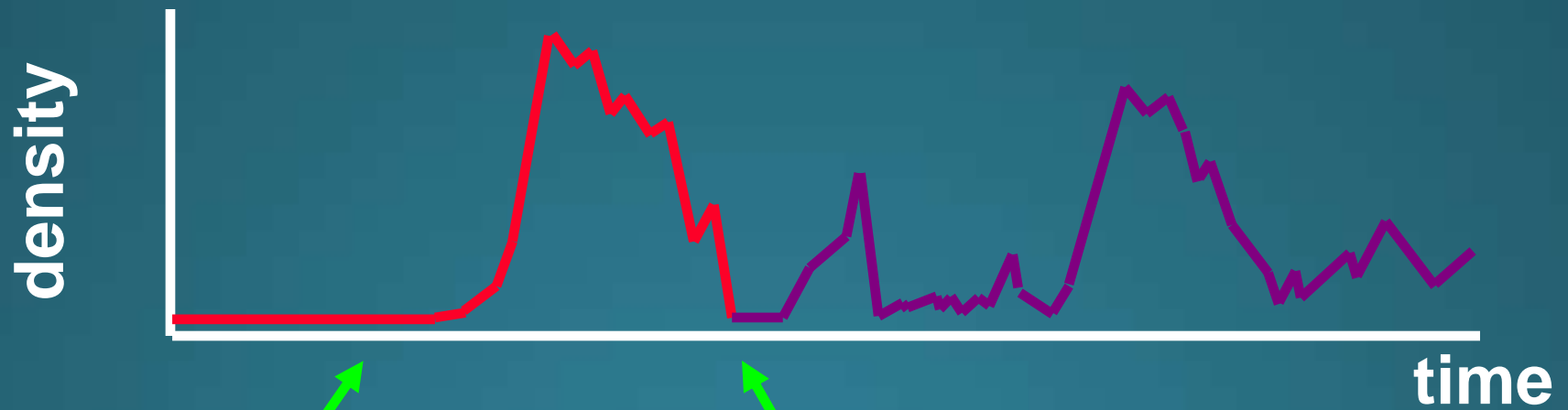
Most Invasions Fail!



Success rate in natural enemy introductions in Canada

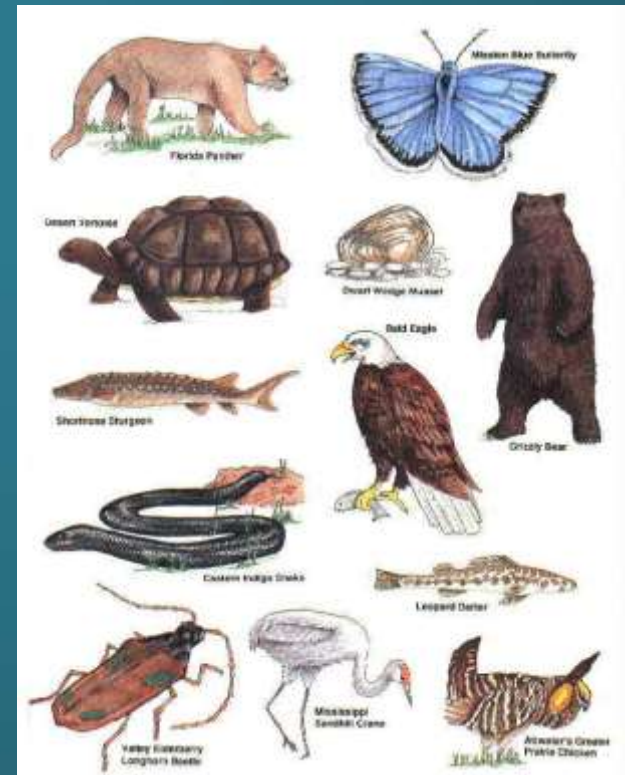
Number of Individuals Released	%		
	Success	Failure	Success
< 5,000	9	89	9
5,000 –30,000	13	20	39
> 30,000	22	6	79

From Beirne (1975)



Processes affecting low-density populations:

- Stochasticity
- Allee Effects



"Allee Effect"

$$N_t / N_{t-1}$$

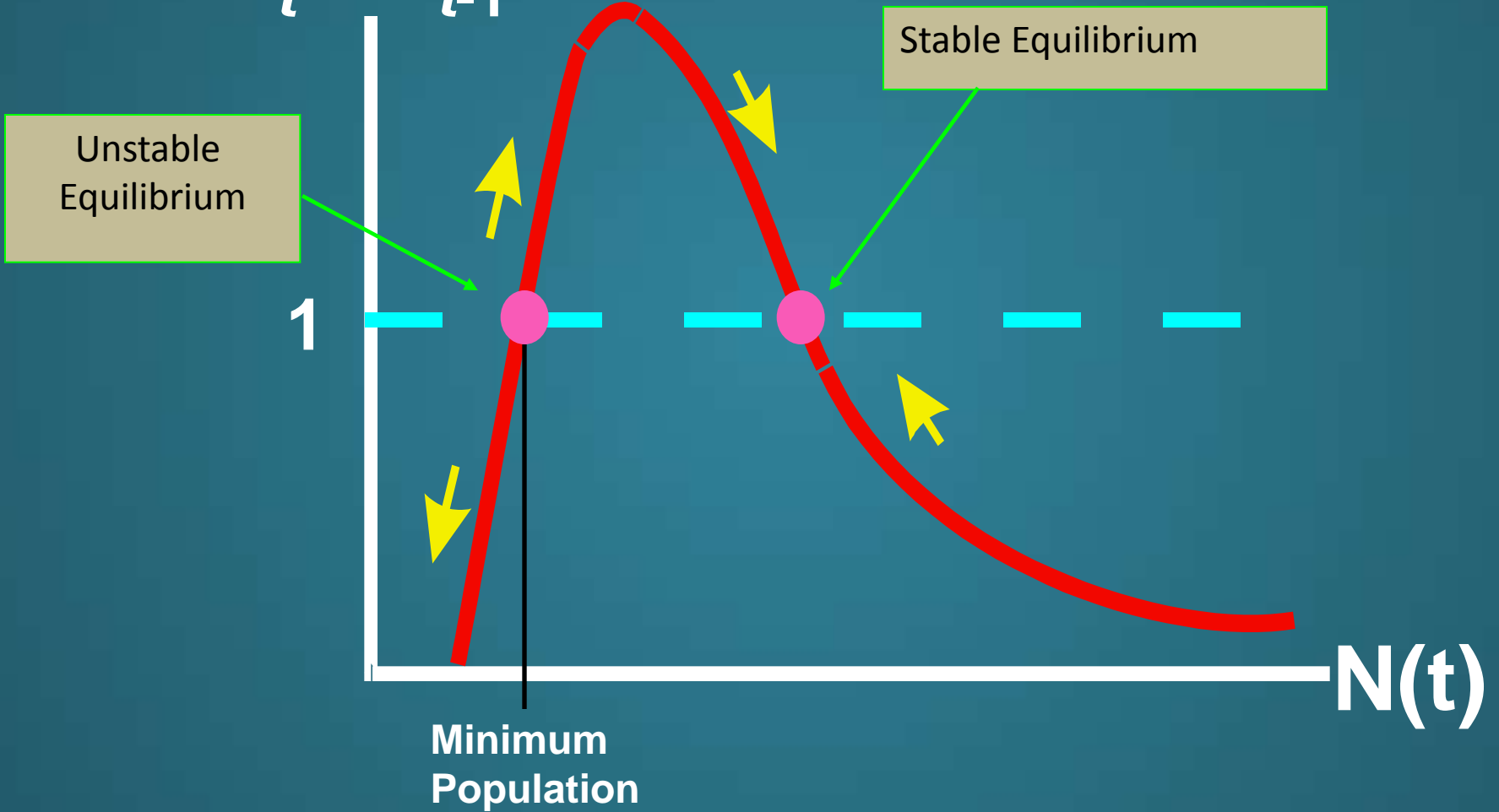
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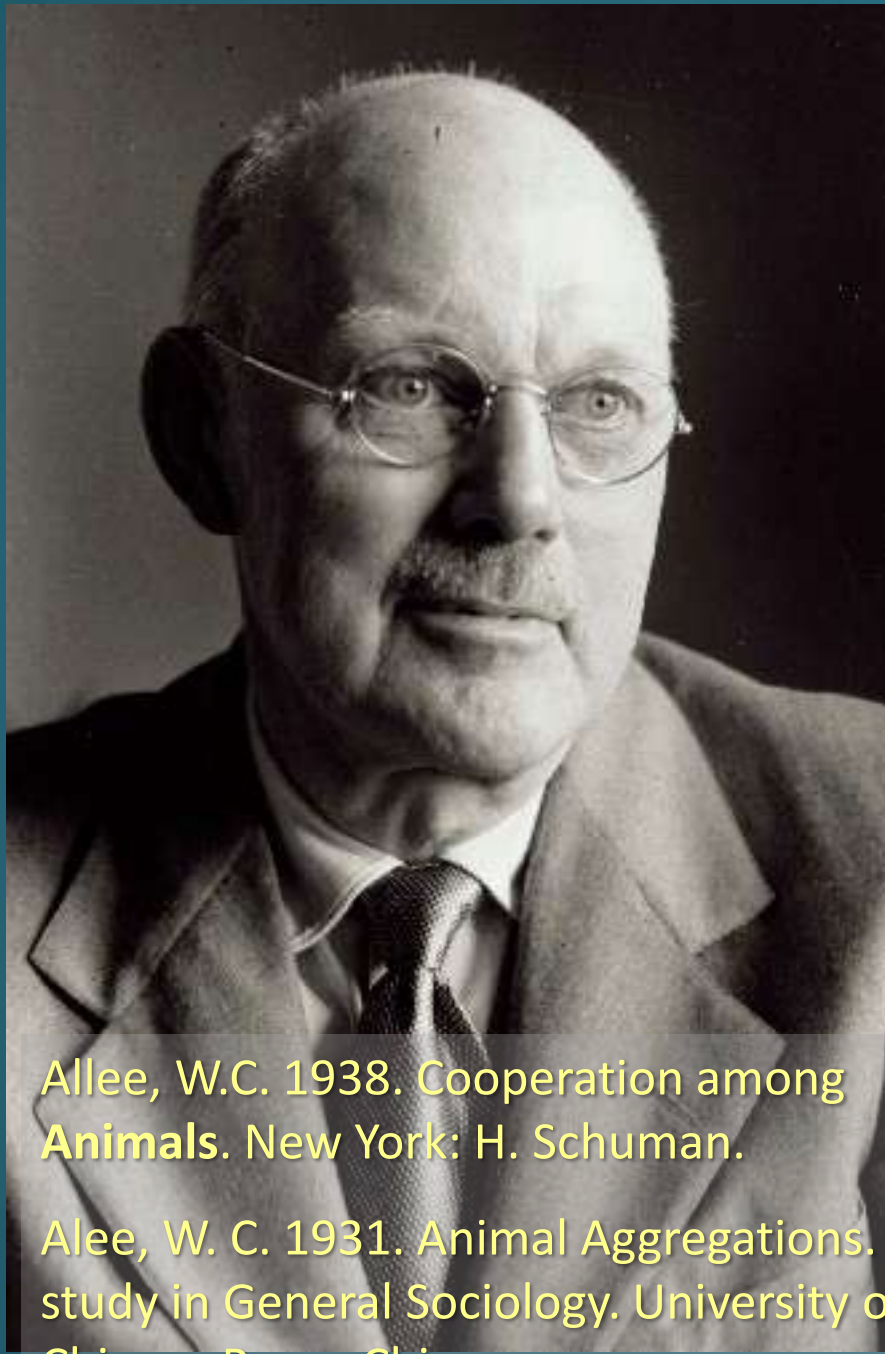
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Warder Clyde Allee (1885-1955)

Larger group size or some degree of crowding may stimulate reproduction and survival

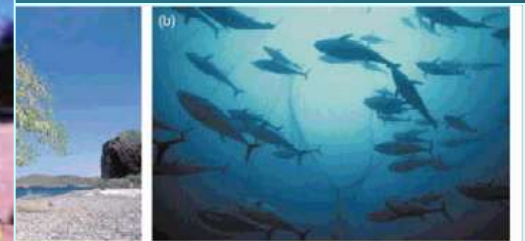
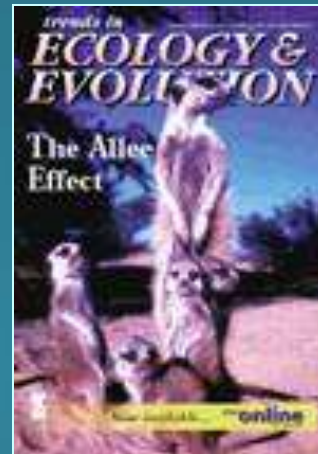
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Causes of the Allee Effect

- Failure to find mates
- Cooperative feeding
- Predator satiation
- Inbreeding
- ...



Mass attack by bark beetles to overcome host resistance., a cause of Allee effects

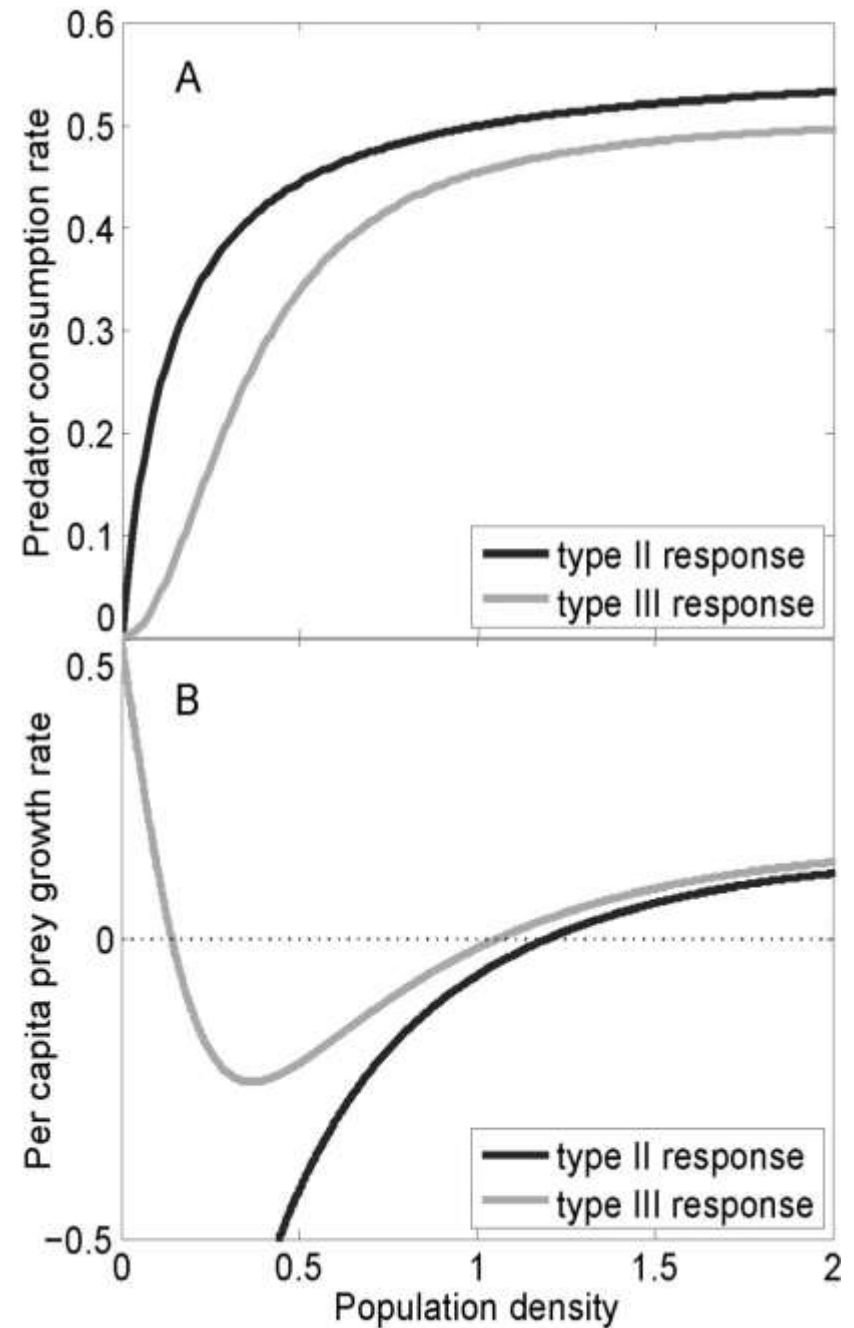


Pitch tubes, mountain pine beetle mass-attack



Tree attacked by the mountain pine beetle

Component Allee effects arising from generalist predators and parasitoids

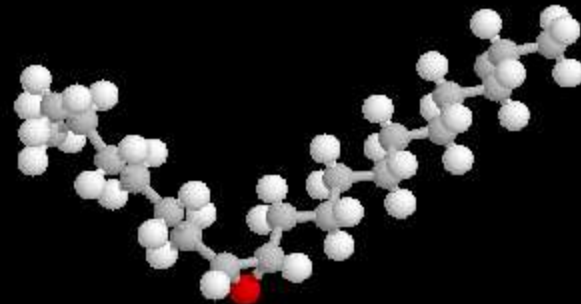


mate-location failure

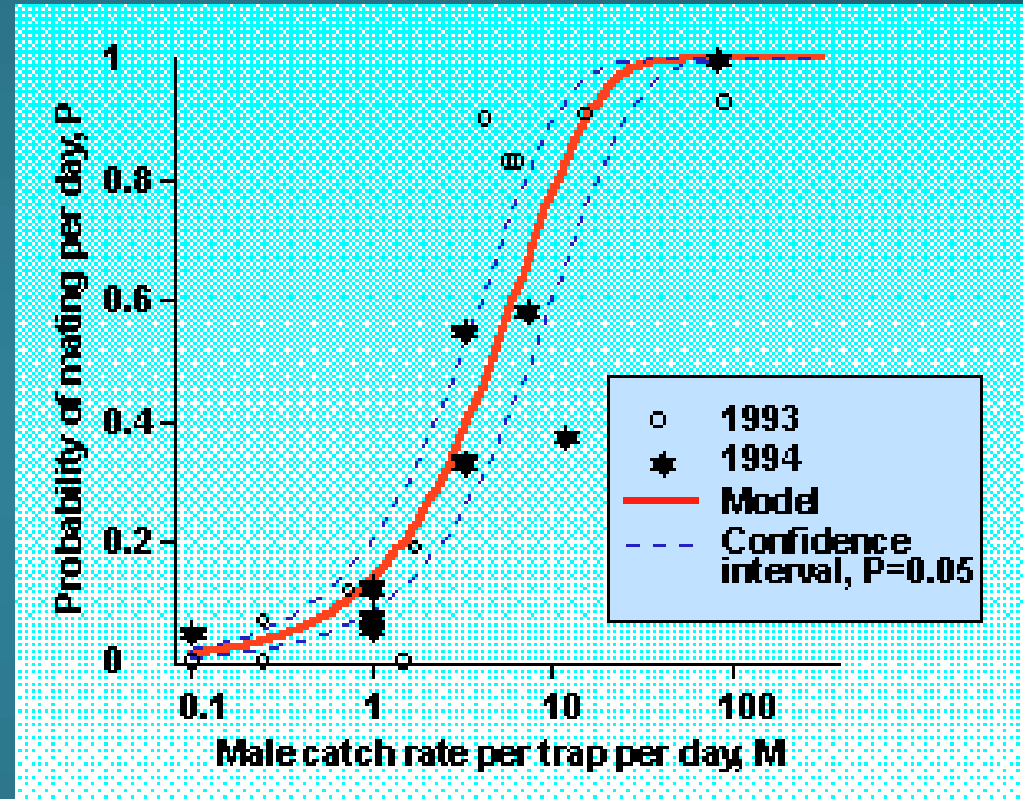
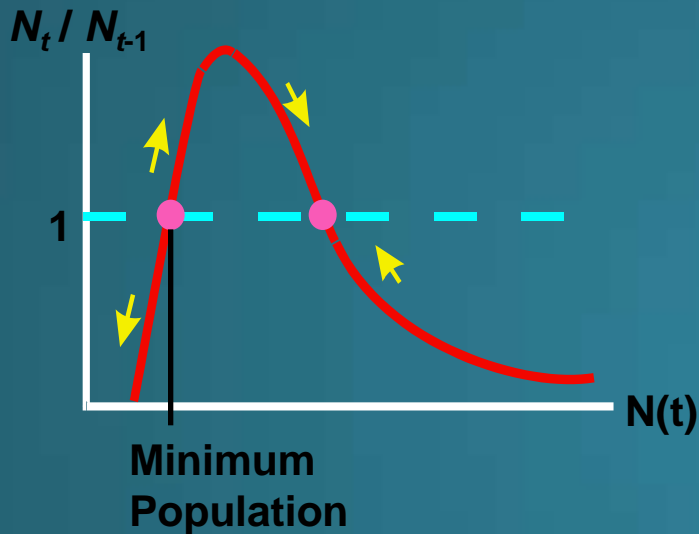
- Males can become lost in space
- Males can become lost in time



“Disparlure”, cis-7, 8-epoxy-2-methyloctadecane

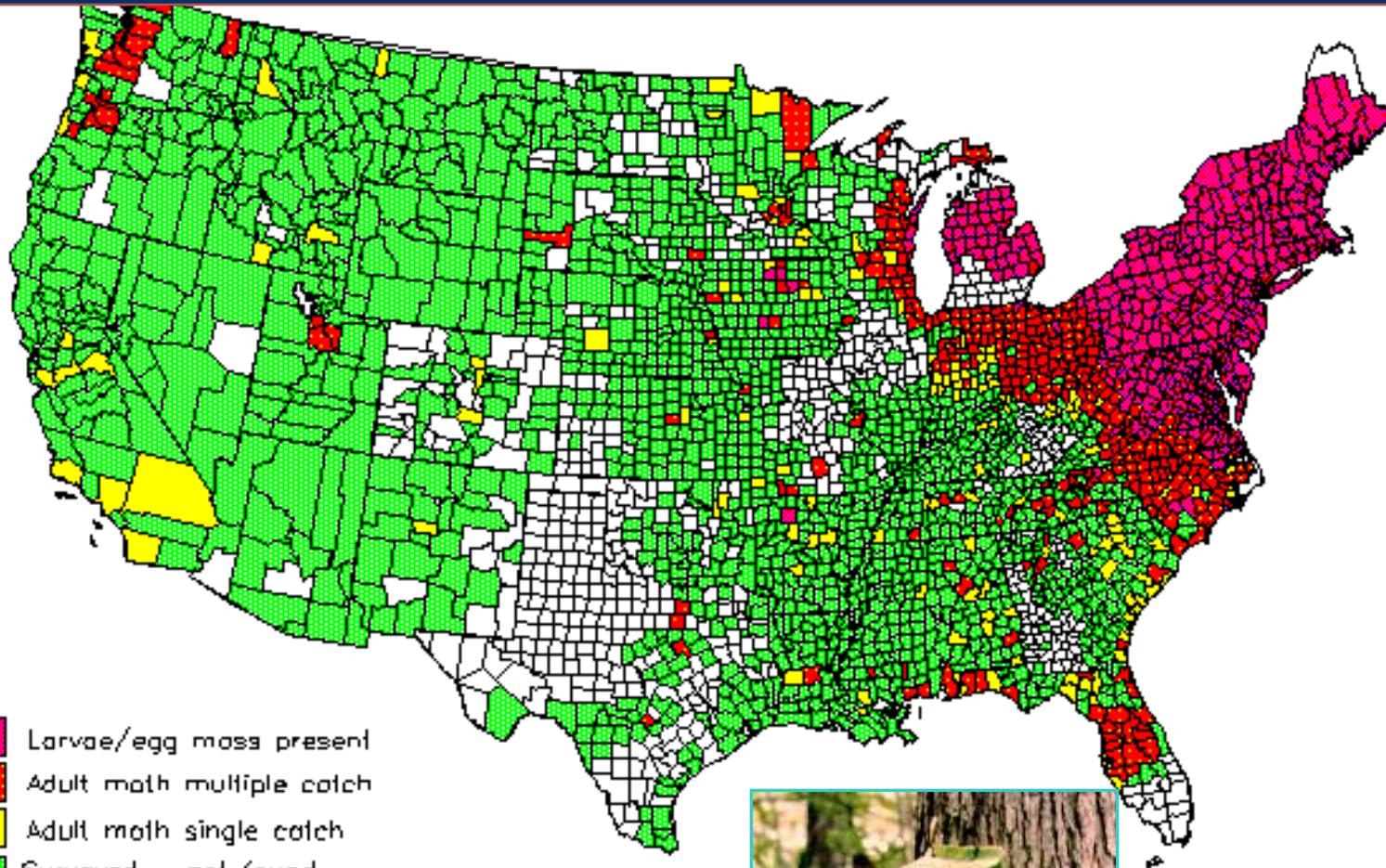







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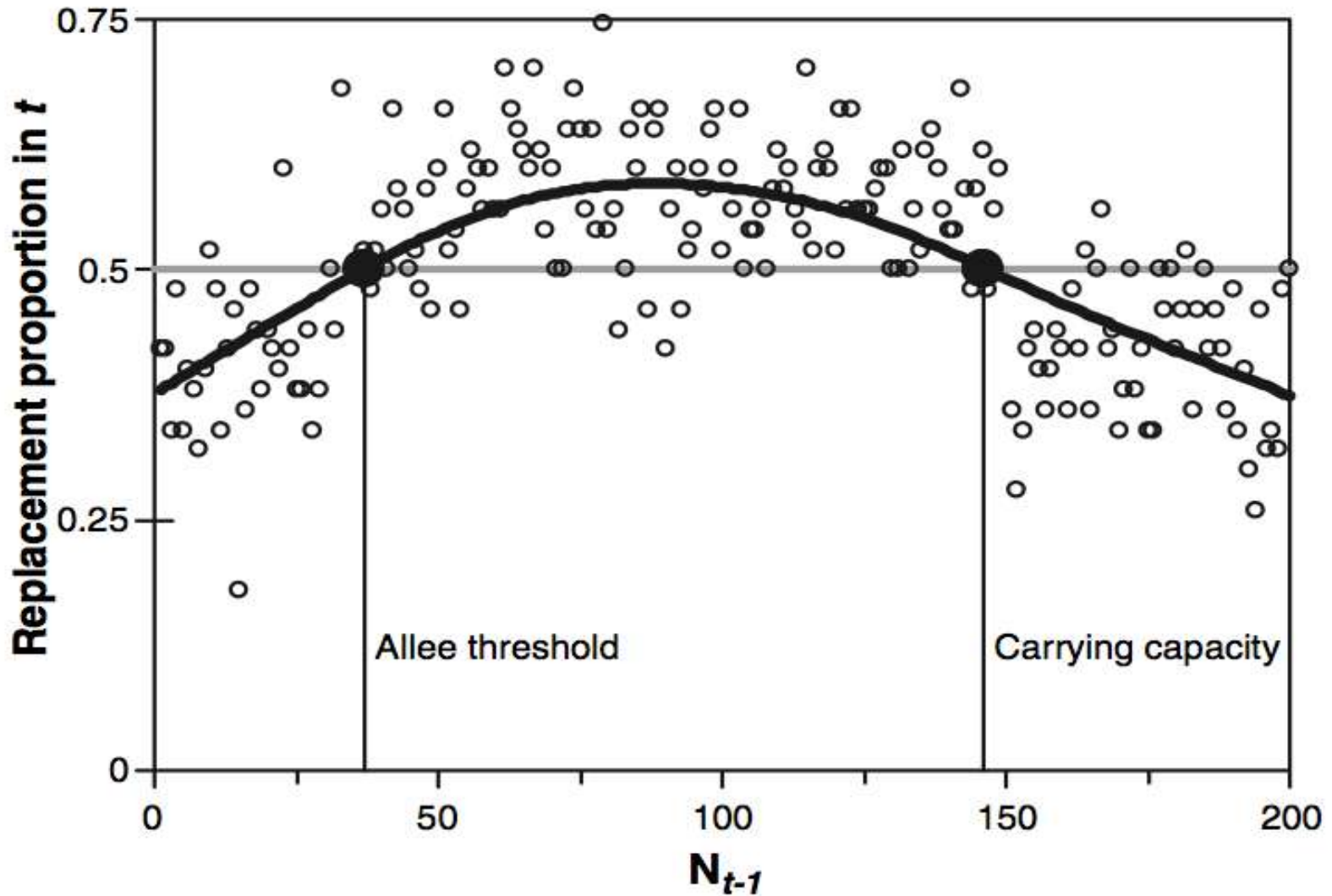
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Allee effect estimated from historical trap catch data from VA & WV



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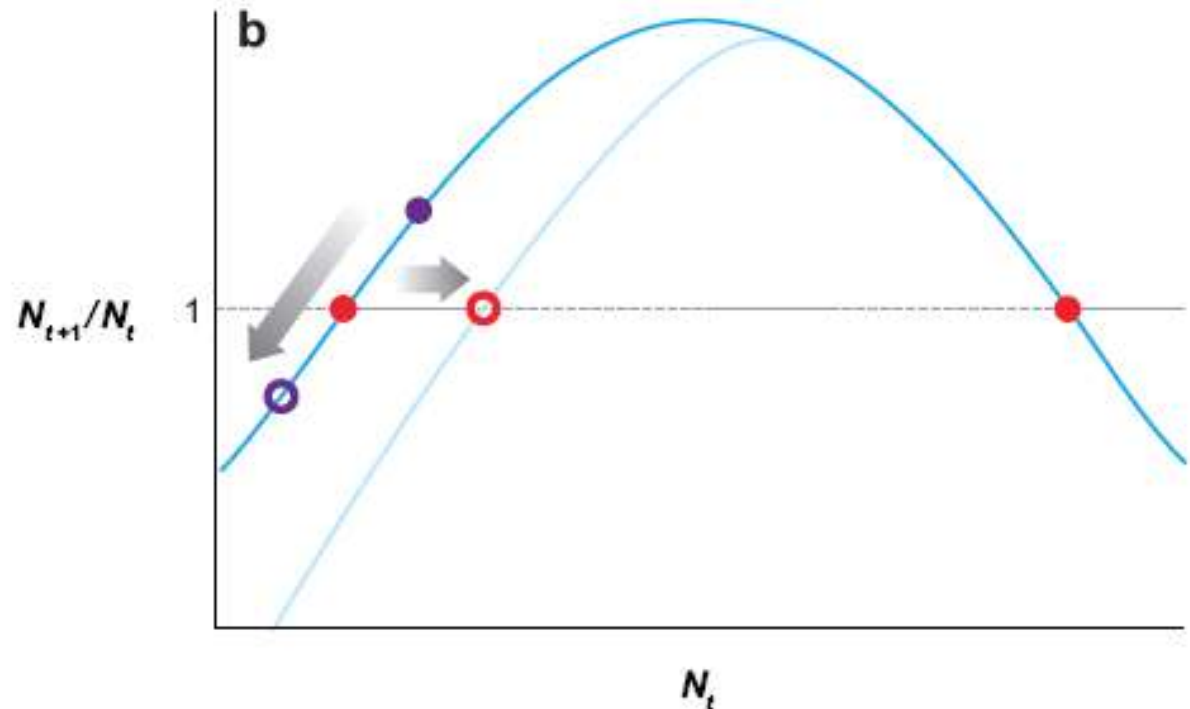
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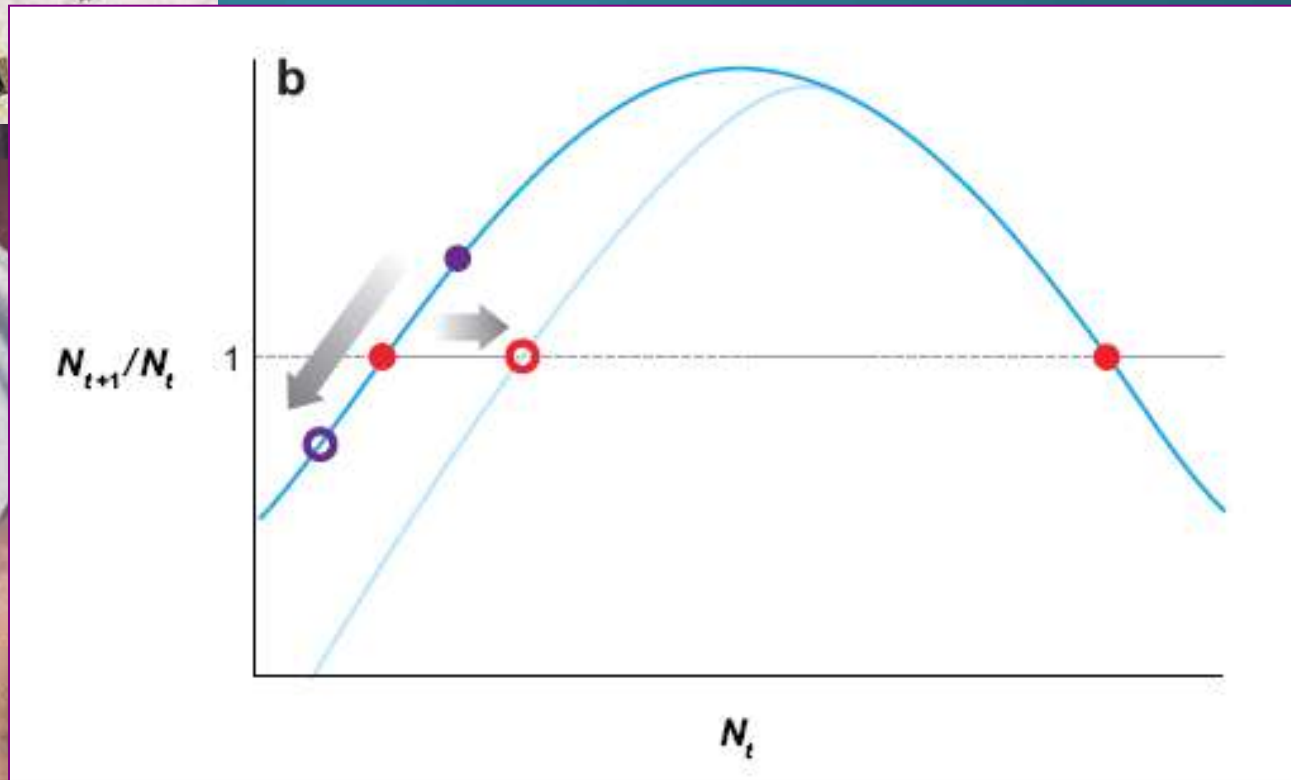
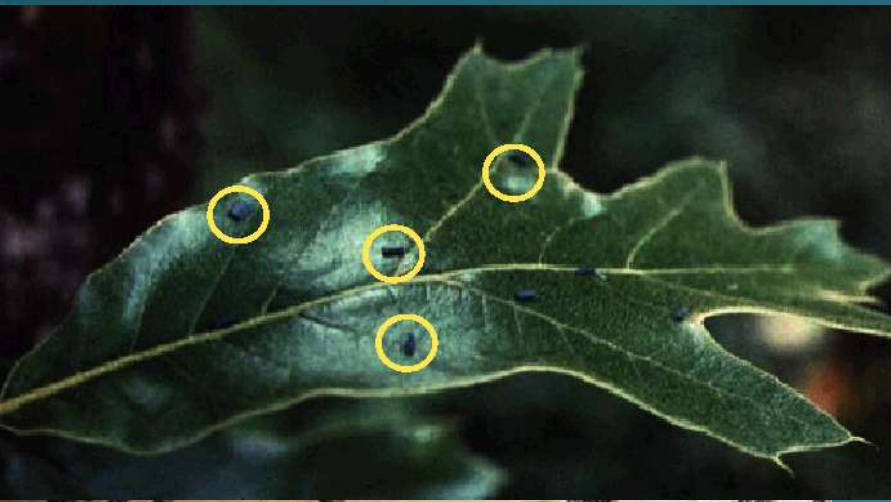
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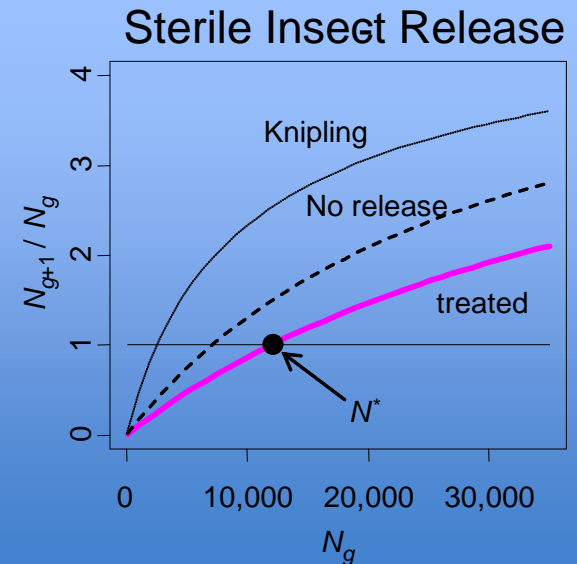
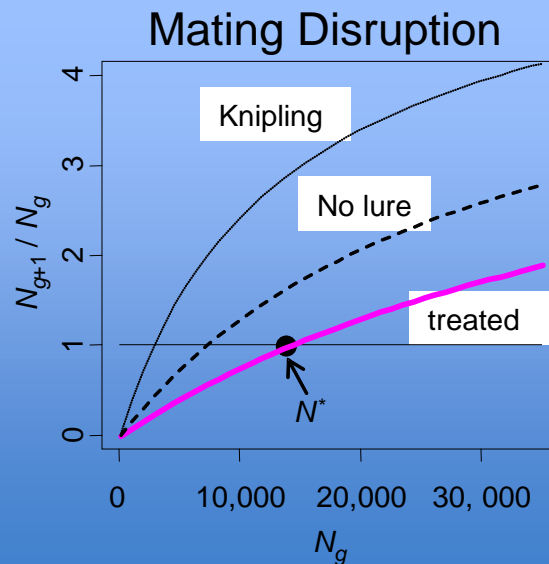
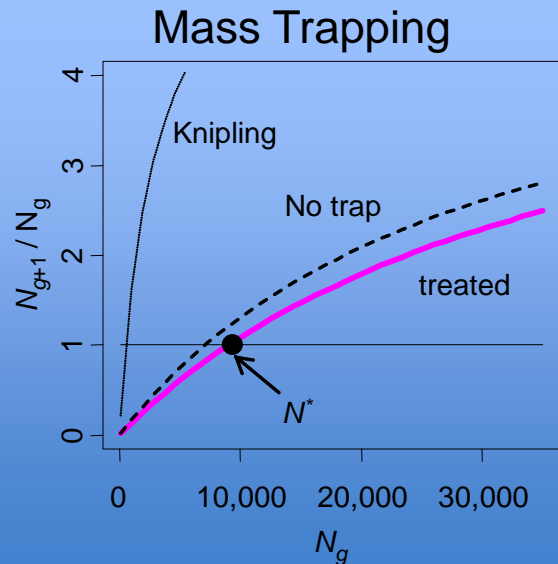
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Mating Disruption



Spatially implicit and temporally explicit models of mating success (Yamanaka & Liebhold)



Management Methods

- Mass Trapping (= male annihilation)
- Mating disruption
- Sterile Insect Release



Takehiko Yamanaka

Shattering myths about eradication

False: Eradication can only be achieved by killing 100% of all individuals

True: Eradication can be achieved in most cases by killings some fraction of the population

A combination of Allee dynamics and stochasticity will cause most isolated populations to go extinct on their own once their populations have been reduced below some critical level

Liebhold, A.M. and J. Bascompte. 2003. The allee effect, stochastic dynamics and the eradication of alien species. *Ecology Letters* 6: 133-140.

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The “Achilles Heel” of Biological Invasions

The Allee effect: decreasing per capita growth with increasing abundance

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Gerda · global eradication and response database

This database summarises incursion response and eradication programmes from around the world.

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The database currently contains:

- 851 incursion responses
- including 814 eradication programmes
- in 99 countries
- against 209 target taxa
 - 139 arthropods
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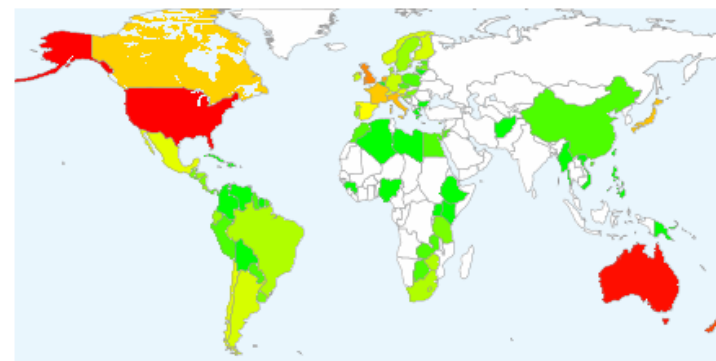
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Number of eradication programmes per country (log₁₀ scale)

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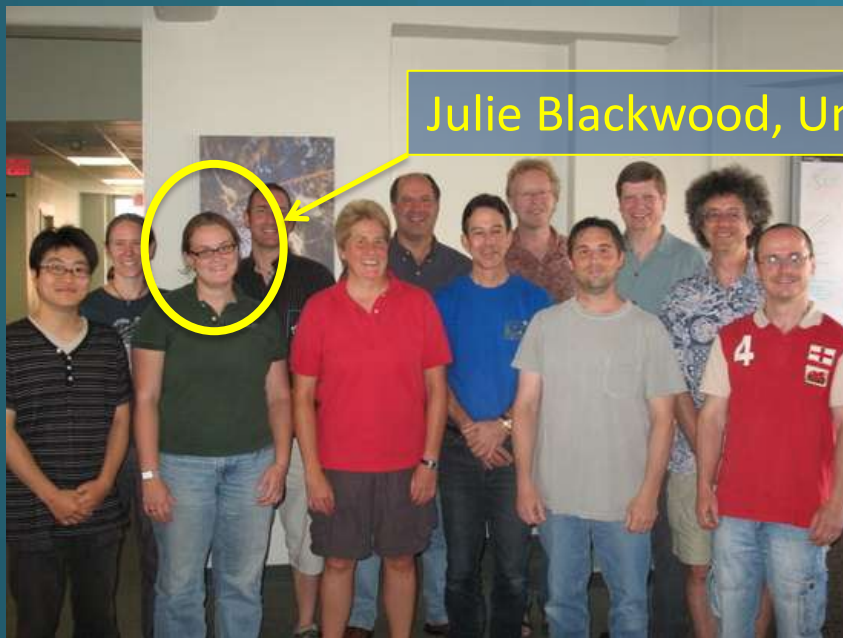
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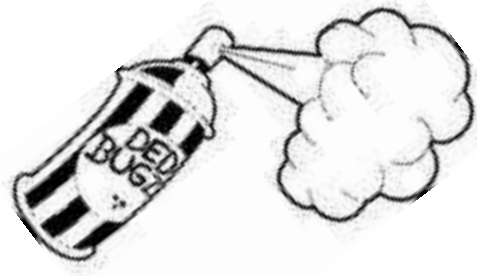
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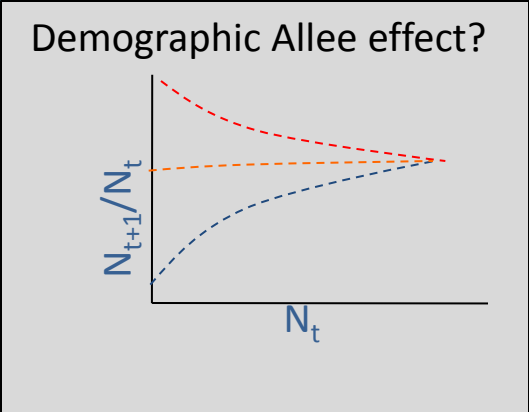
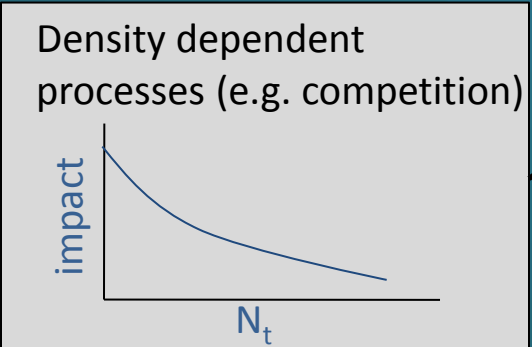
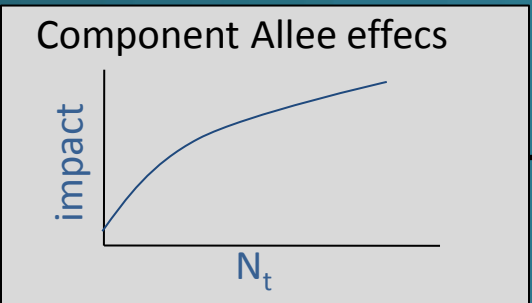
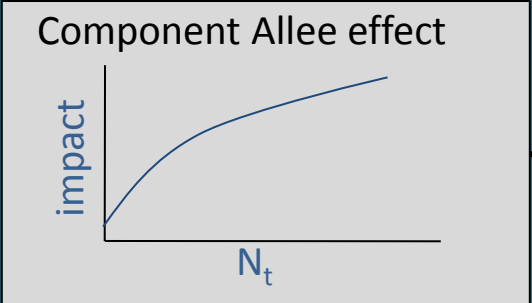
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Eradication via Simultaneous Application of Two or More Tactics



Multiple Component Allee Effects Interact with Density Dependent Processes to Determine Whether Demographic Allee Effect Exists



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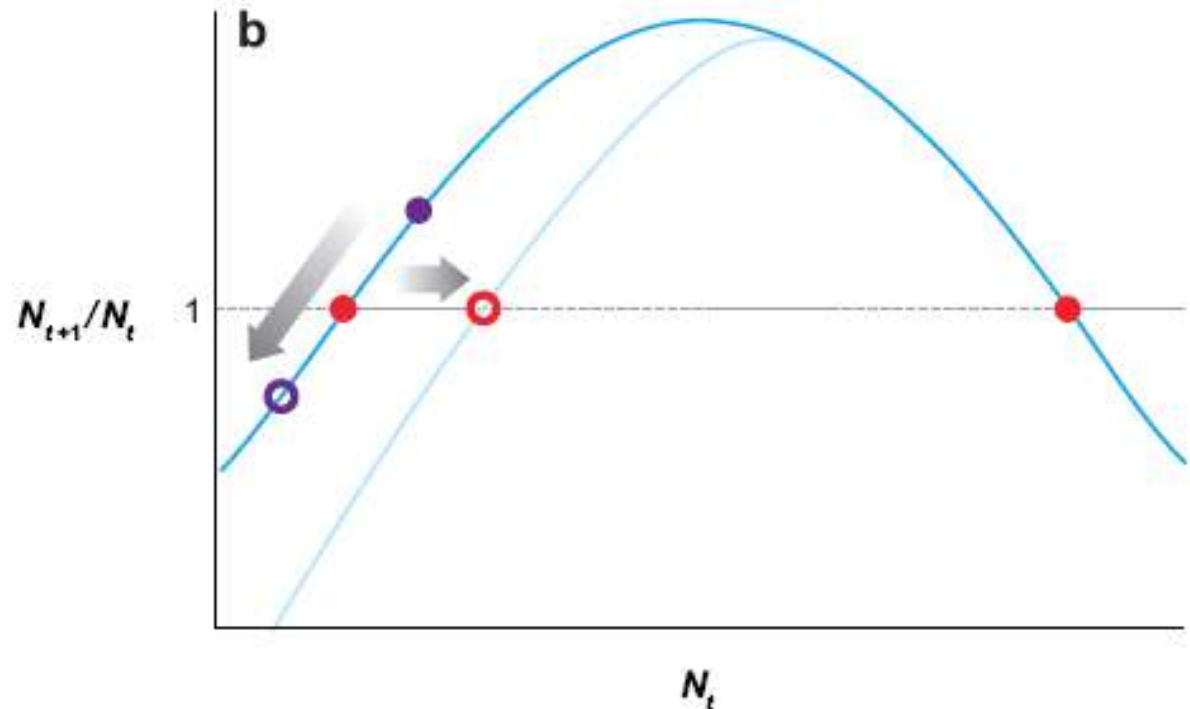
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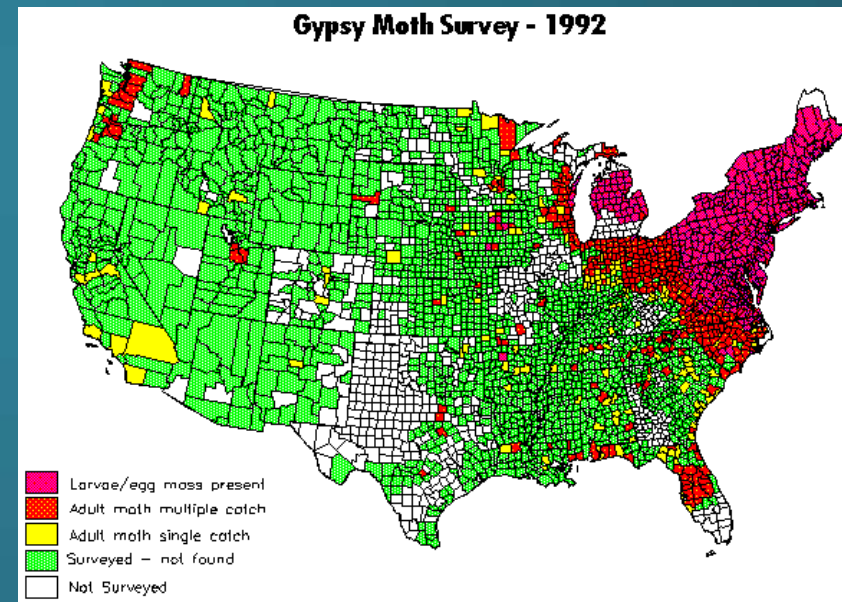
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Gypsy Moth Eradication Tactics

- Pesticide (e.g., Bt)
- Mating Disruption
- Predator Augmentation



Bioeconomic synergy between tactics for insect eradication in the presence of Allee effects

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Preventing the establishment of invading pest species can be beneficial with respect to averting future environmental and economic impacts and also in preventing the accumulation of control costs. Allee effects play an important role in the dynamics of newly established, low-density populations by driving small populations into self-extinction, making Allee effects critical in influencing outcomes of eradication efforts. We consider interactions between management tactics in the presence of Allee effects to determine cost-effective and time-efficient combinations to achieve eradication by developing a model that considers pesticide application, predator augmentation and mating disruption as control tactics, using the gypsy moth as a case study. Our findings indicate that given a range of constant expenditure levels, applying moderate levels of pesticides in conjunction with mating disruption increases the Allee threshold which simultaneously substantially decreases the time to eradication relative to either tactic alone. In contrast, increasing predation in conjunction with other tactics requires larger economic expenditures to achieve similar outcomes for the use of pesticide application or mating disruption alone. These results demonstrate the beneficial synergy that may arise from nonlinearities associated with the simultaneous application of multiple eradication tactics and offer new prospects for preventing the establishment of damaging non-native species.

Keywords: Allee effect; eradication; management cost; interaction of control tactics

Implications of model

- Gypsy moth can be eradicated via augmentation of predator populations, mating disruption or Bt application
- Eradication via predator augmentation alone is very expensive
- Combining mating disruption with the use of Bt provides more cost-effective eradication than either method alone

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Eradication costs:

- **Detection (trapping)**

Goal: to find newly founded populations



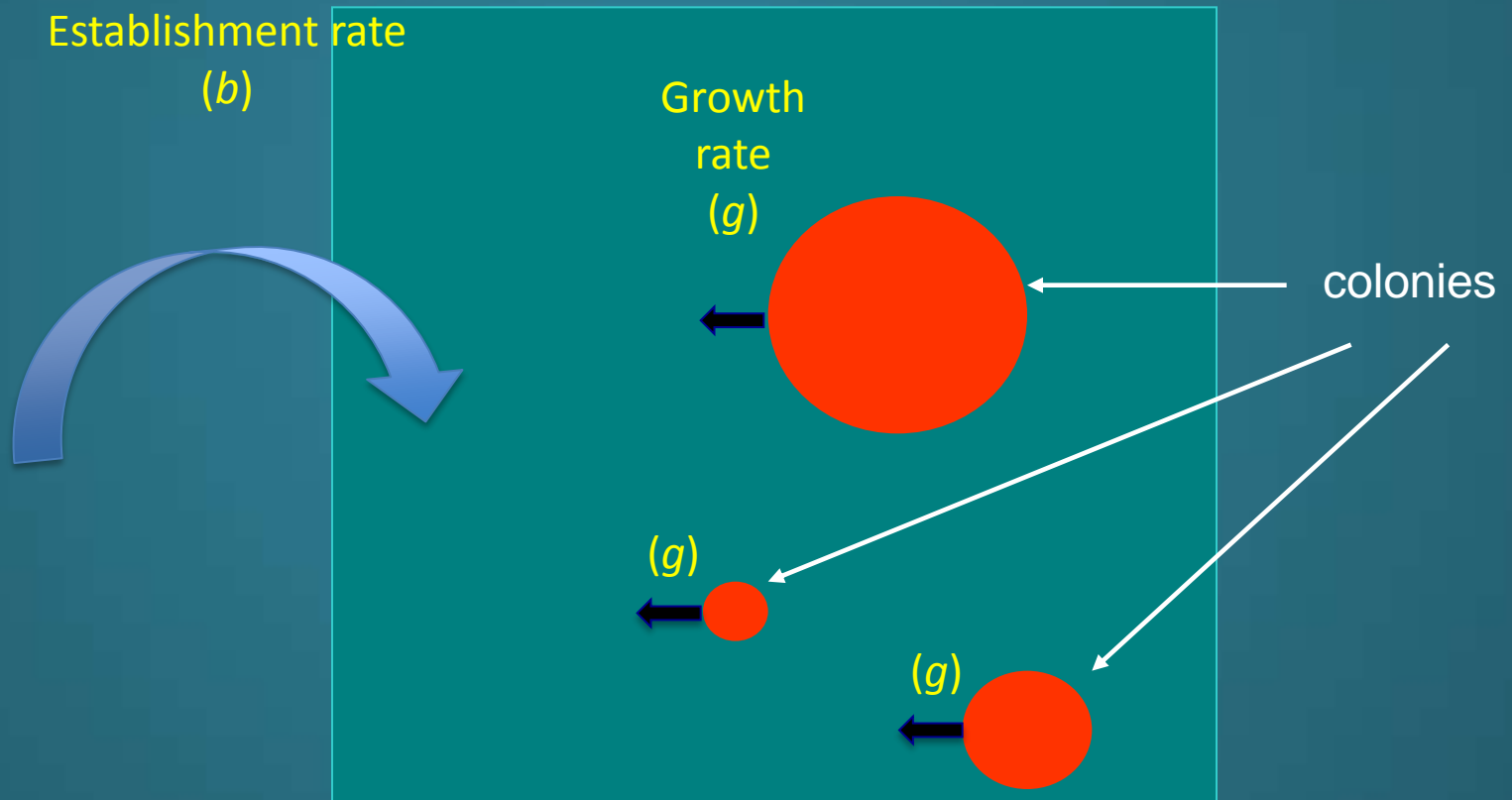
- **Eradication** (i.e., spraying)

Goal: to force a population into extinction



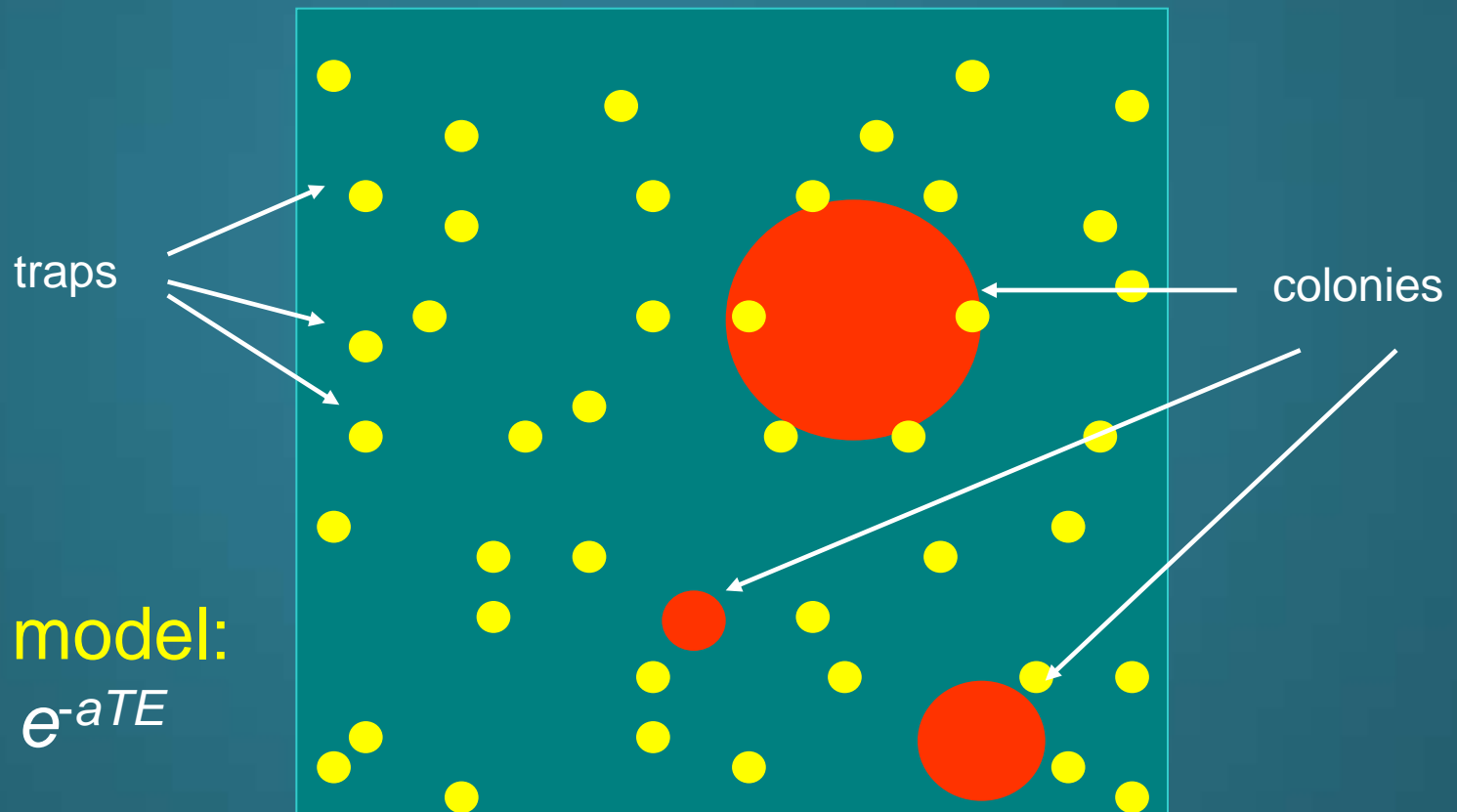
Invasion process:

- Colonies arrive and establish randomly
- Colony area grows



Probability of detecting a colony depends on:

- Size of colony - a
- Density of traps - T
- Trap sensitivity/effectiveness - E



Poisson model:

$$P = 1 - e^{-aTE}$$

Bioeconomic model

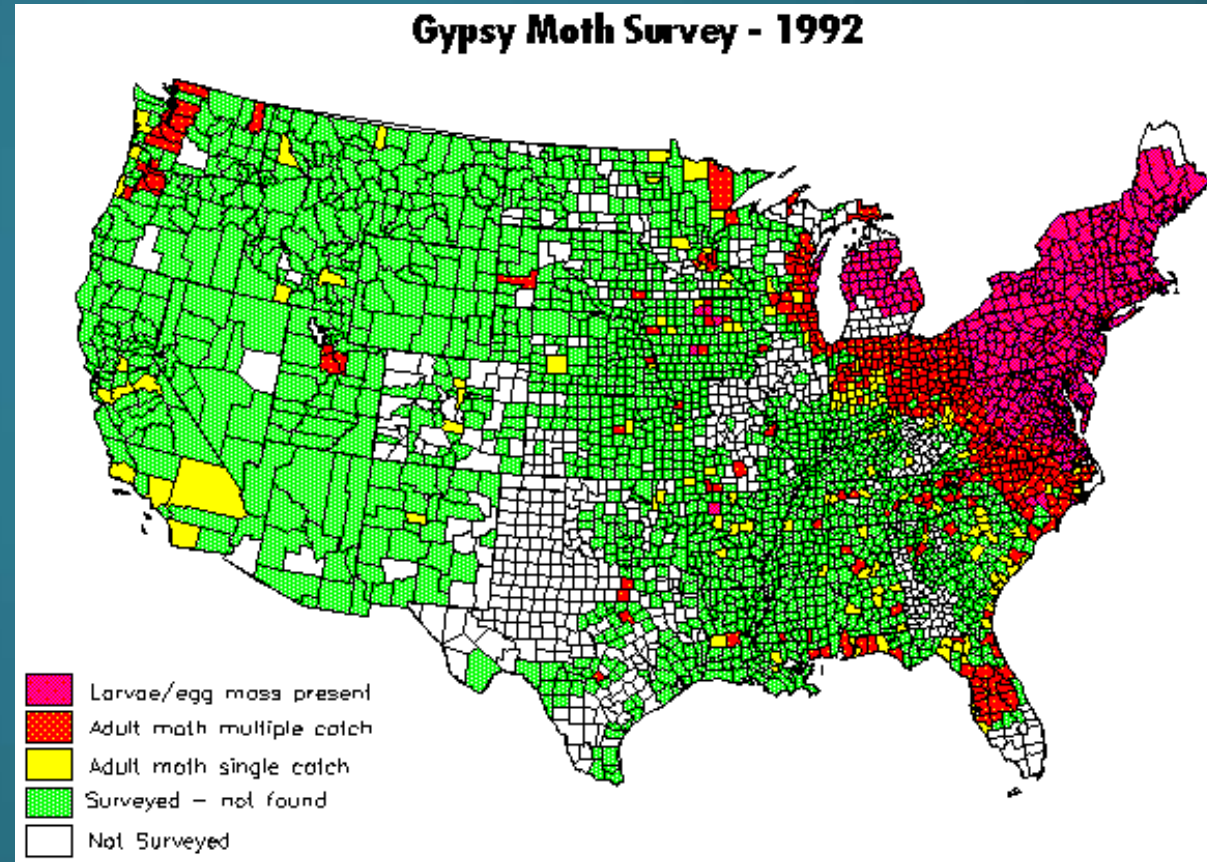
- Probabilistic size (age) class model $s \in (1, 2, \dots, S_{max})$
 - Establishment rate
 - Detection effort
- Determine optimal equilibrium trap density

Choose T to minimize:

$$c_{trap}(T) + \sum_{s=1}^{S_{max}} c_{erad}(s) * E(\text{detections}_s) + c_{big} E(S_{max})$$

Trapping costs Eradication costs Penalty costs

Case study: Gypsy moth (*Lymantria dispar*) eradication in California

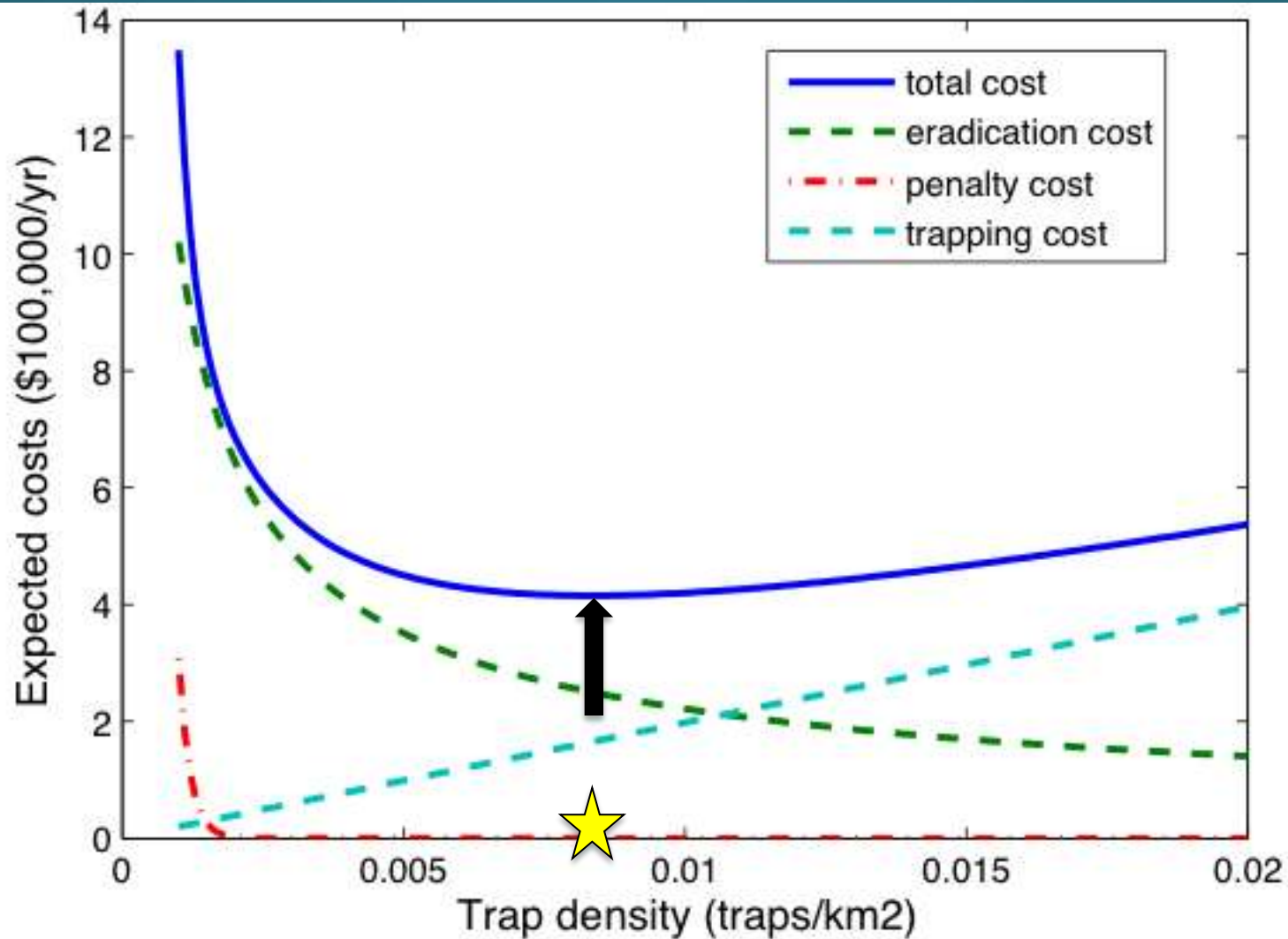


State and County Specific Parameterization



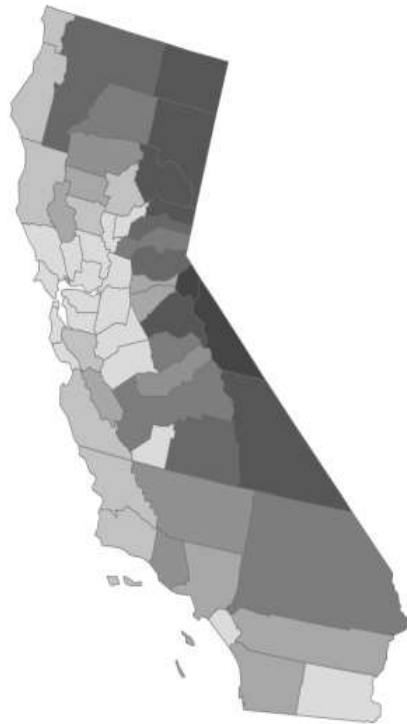
Parameter	California	Counties
Colony growth ($\text{km}^2/\text{year}^2$), g	2	same
Maximum colony age	20	same
Penalty cost	\$50,000,000	same
Trap sensitivity/effectiveness	1	same
Cost of eradication ($\$/\text{km}^2$), c_e	5,000	same
Forest area (km^2), A	414,633	7,149 (s.d.=8,187)
Cost of search ($\$/\text{trap}$), c_s	47.78	43.15 (s.d=68.74)
Colony establishment rate (col/10,000 km^2/yr), b	0.021	0.142 (s.d=0.657)

Expected Management Costs - California -

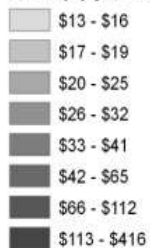


Variation in trapping cost and establishment rate among counties

Cost per trap



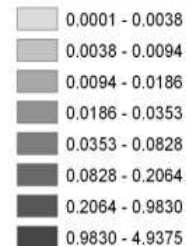
cost (\$) per trap



Establishment rate

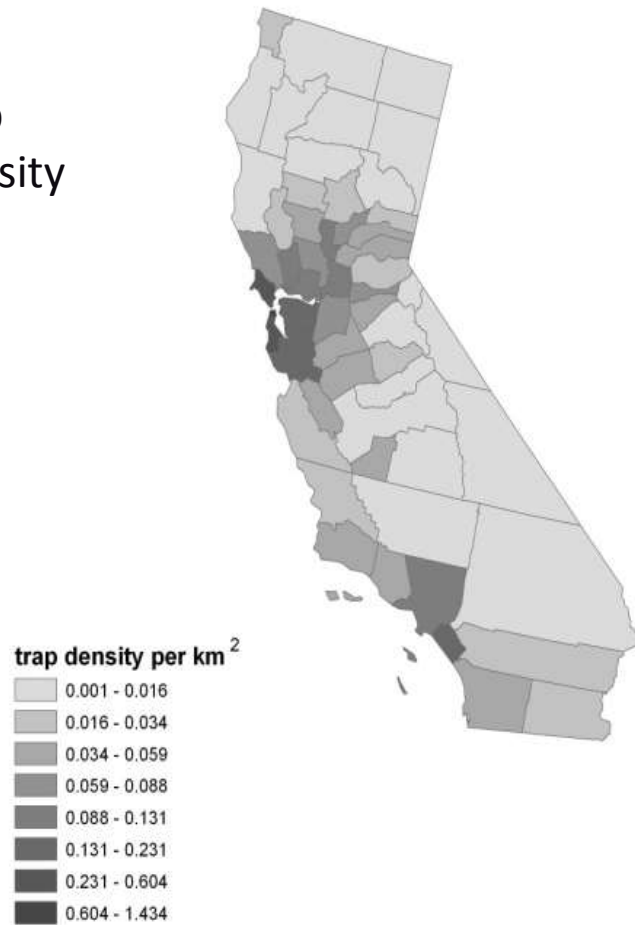


establishment rate per 10000 km²

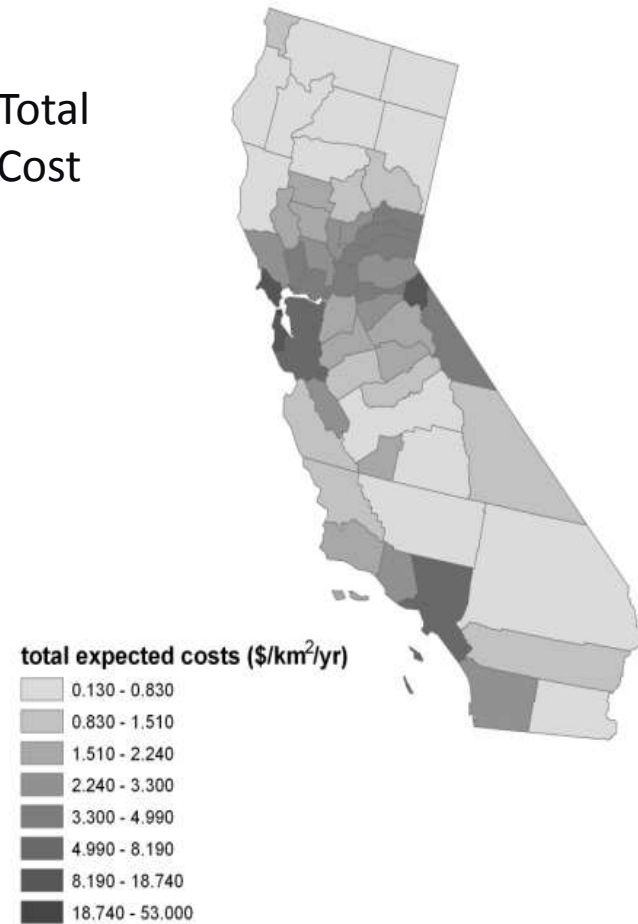


Optimal trap densities by county

Trap
Density



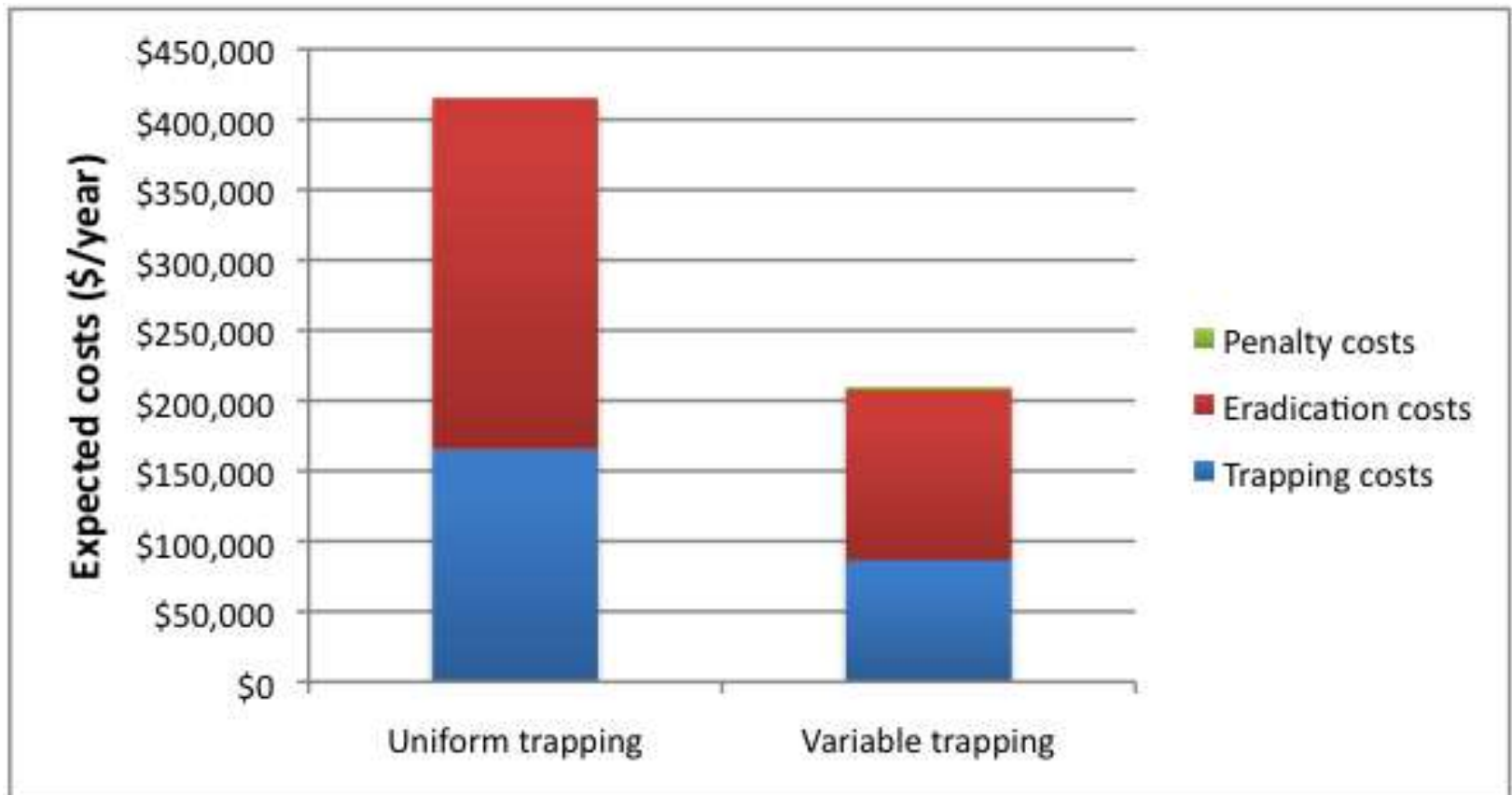
Total
Cost



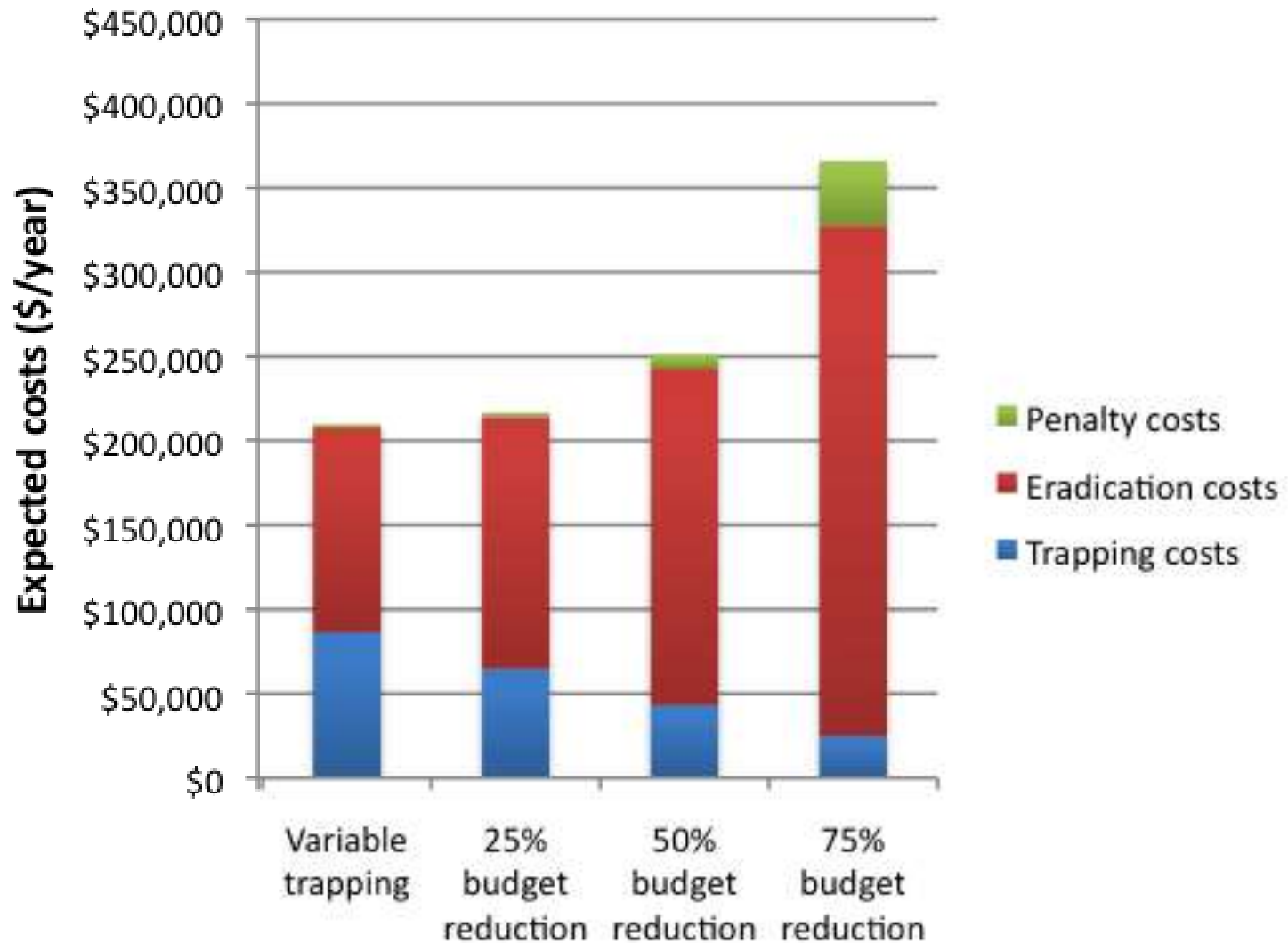
0 62.5 125 250 375 500 Kilometers

Optimize trap density across entire state

- Uniform trap density across state
- Allow varying trap densities by county



Budget constraints on trapping



Summary

- Bioeconomic modeling can help inform improved surveillance and eradication
- Specific findings:
 - Allowing for variable trap densities that accommodate heterogeneity in trapping costs and establishment rates increases efficiency
 - Budget constraint on detection increases overall costs
 - Too few traps is worse than too many traps

Eradication:

“The total elimination of a species from a geographical area” *



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