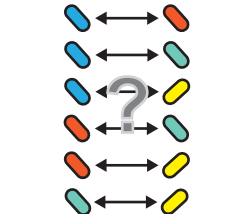


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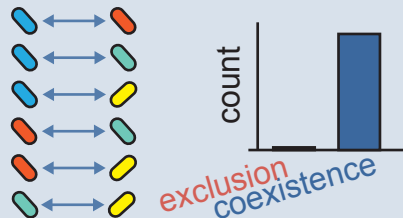
Is species coexistence an emergent property of communities?

Community (system) Pairs (elemental parts)



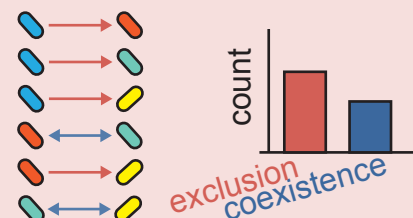
No, species coexistence is **predictable** from pairs

Both the community and all its pairs coexist

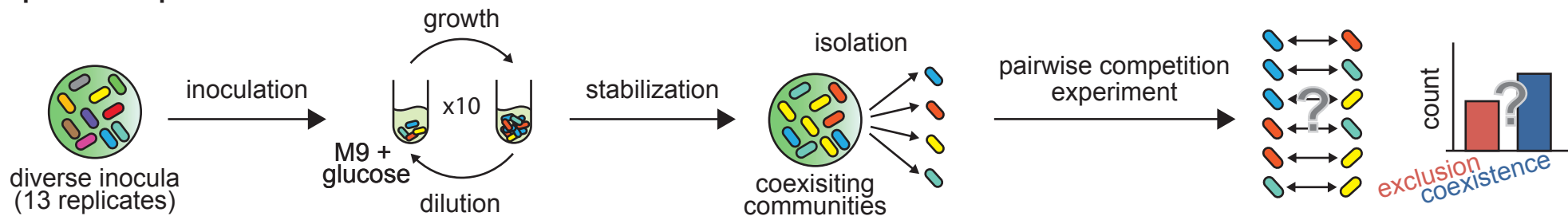


Yes, species coexistence is an **emergent** property

The community coexists but not all the pairs do

**B**

Experimental protocol

**C**

Pairwise competition experiment

