## Questions

- speed and patterns of tree establishment across ecotone
- what factors accelerate establishment across ecotone?
- what factors slow down/hinder establishment across ecotone?
- are some species increasing?
- are some species receding?

Key elements: speed (temporal), range shift (spatial)

Also:

- Seedling establishment beyond the range limit of adult trees can occur relatively rapidly
- transition of seedlings to saplings is a key first step for tree migration
- in many species, sapling range limit is further *south* than adults see Sittaro *et al.* (2017)
- compare transition from seedlings to saplings to trees -> bottleneck?

see D'Orangeville *et al.* (2018) for ideas (growth model with PEP, but could use similar variables, methods, figures?)

see Fisichelli et al. (2014) for simple example, but including temporal

see figures in Beckage  $et\ al.\ (2008)$  to compare seedlings/saplings/tree distribution?

## Method

- Pourquoi seulement entre 2 périodes? pourquoi pas inclure toutes les périodes d'inventaire? pourquoi 2005-2018 (des années sont sorties depuis)
- Espèces

MySpecies <- c("ACERUB", "ACESAC", "BETALL", "FAGGRA", "THUOCC", "ABIBAL", "PICMAR", "BETPAP", "POPTRE")

- région: je suggère de commencer par l'écotone seulement (sapinière à bouleau jaune) pour simplifier le problème (c'est le changement dans cette région qui nous intéresse le plus). Ensuite on peut élargir au reste du québec.
- pour les variables du sol, on peut aussi faire un indice composite (voir Drobyshev *et al.* (2014) et Mansuy *et al.* (2010)) en utilisant des infos à large échelle:
- Soil properties

- Indice d'humidité du sol
- Depot de surface
- dans biotic "Couvert" c'est quoi? si tu as déjà inclus "Total basal area"...
- variables climatiques? Climate Moisture Index
- model: matrix model?
  - Power et al. (2022)
  - msm R package?
  - https://academic.oup.com/forestscience/article/59/3/359/4583685
  - https://www.sciencedirect.com/science/article/pii/S0378112711004932?casa\_token=tXWOC3L41ak. BPFh436m36\_Z03RorvbsauC2Kmkpv3oT5pjU48QPw

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