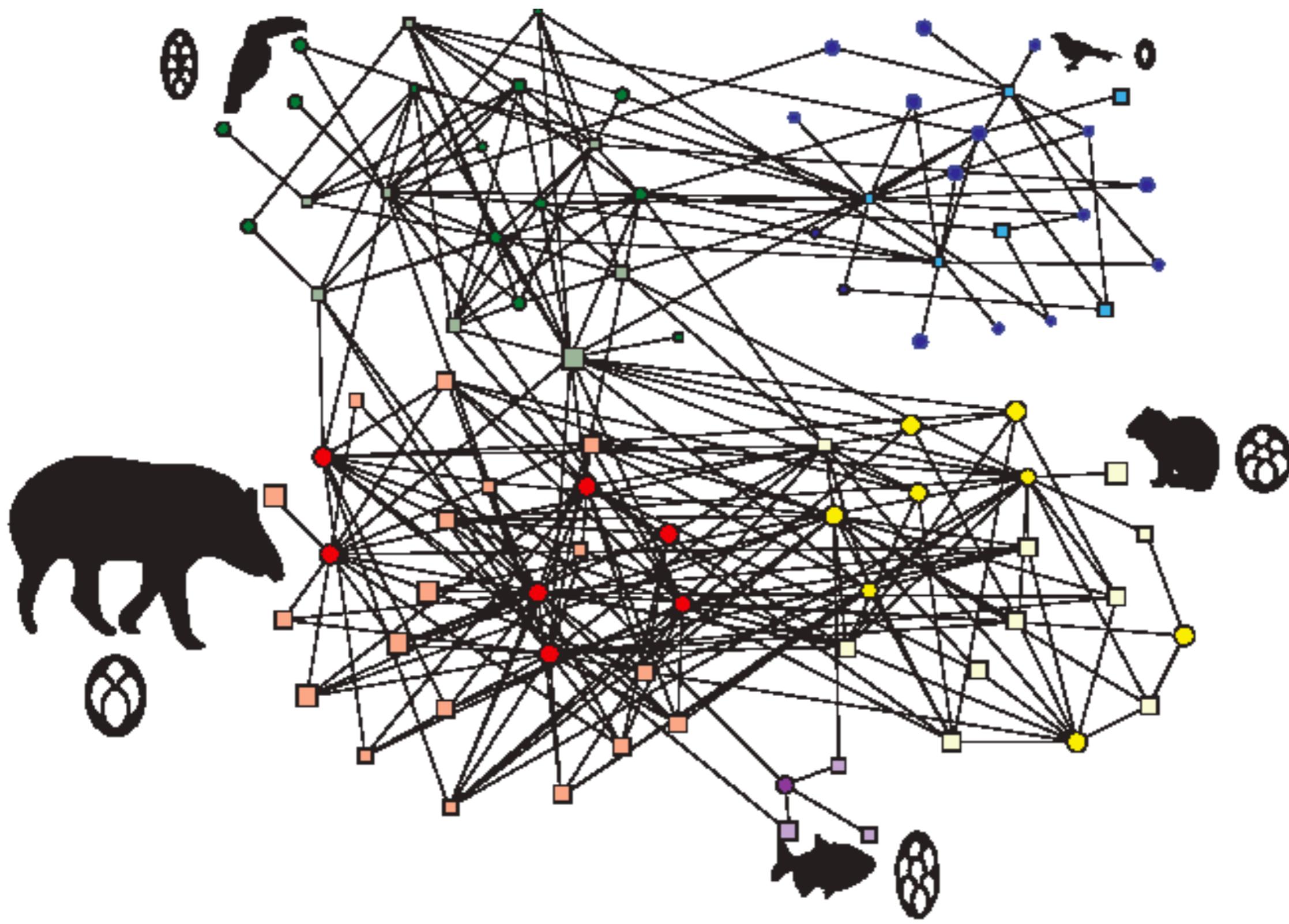


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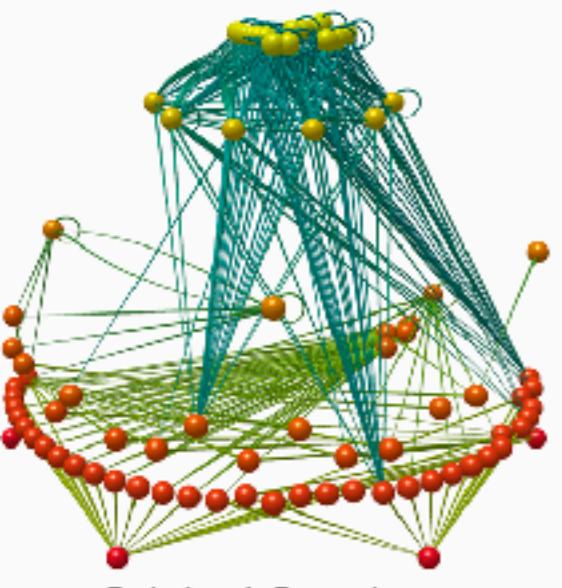


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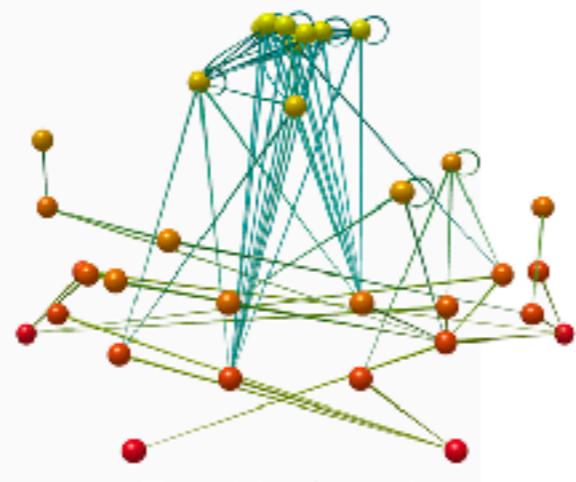




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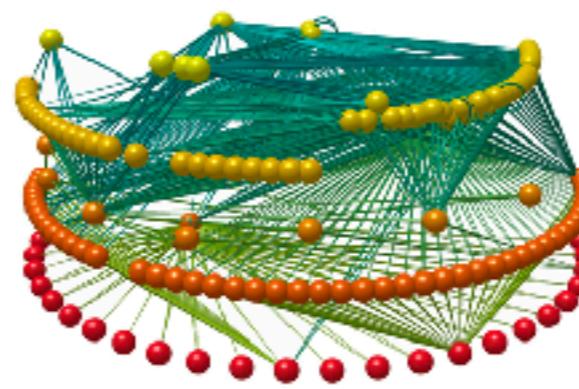


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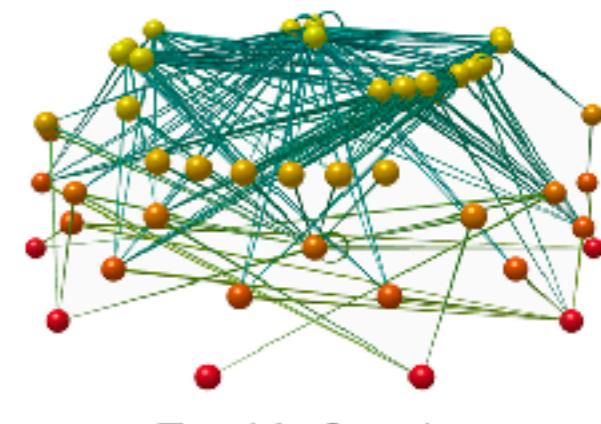


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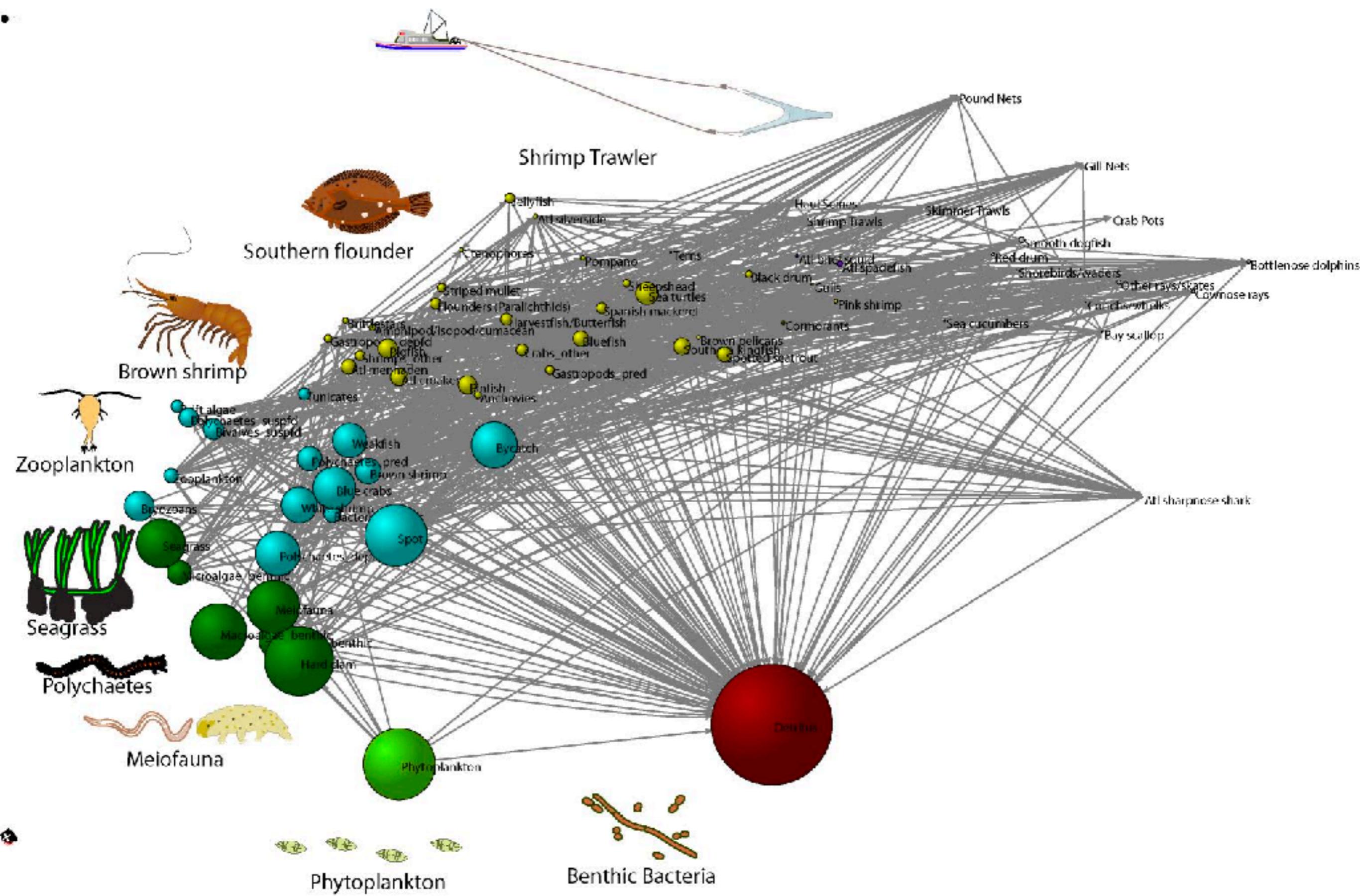
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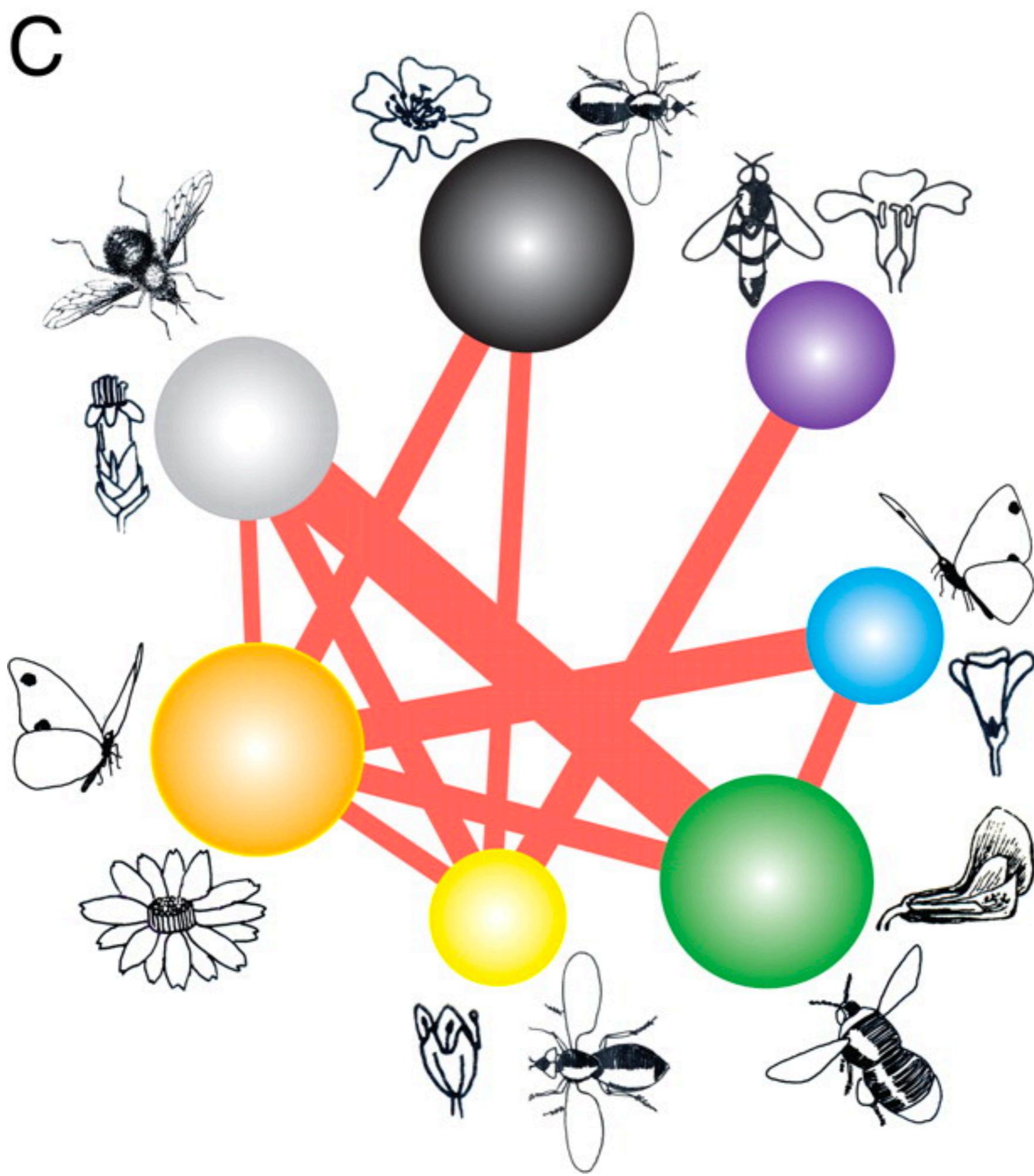
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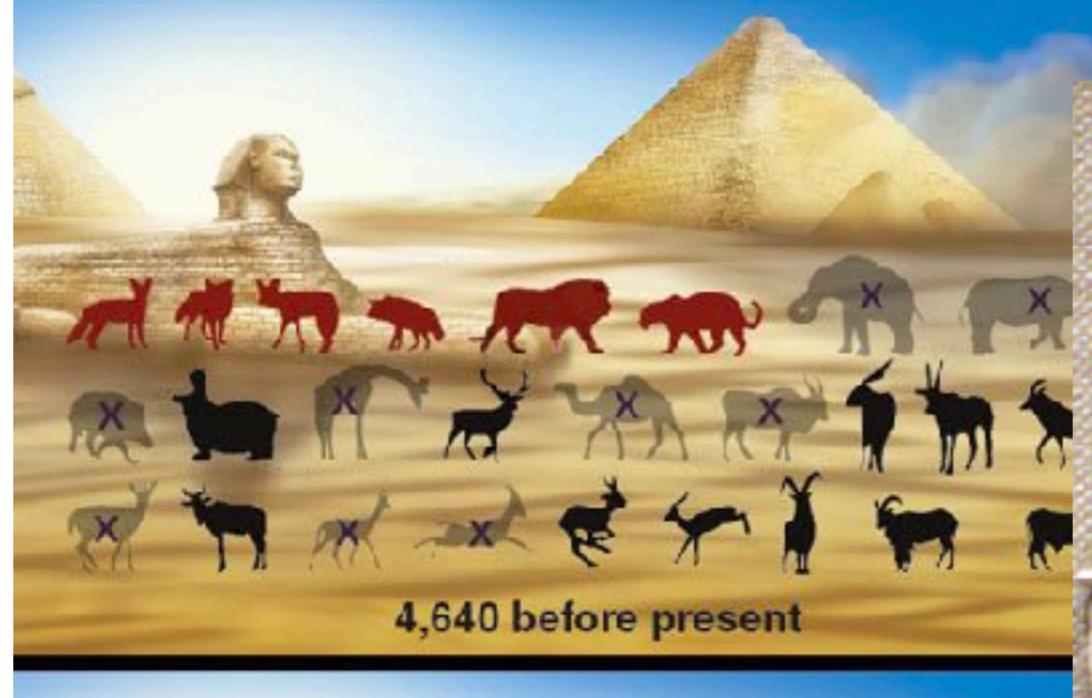
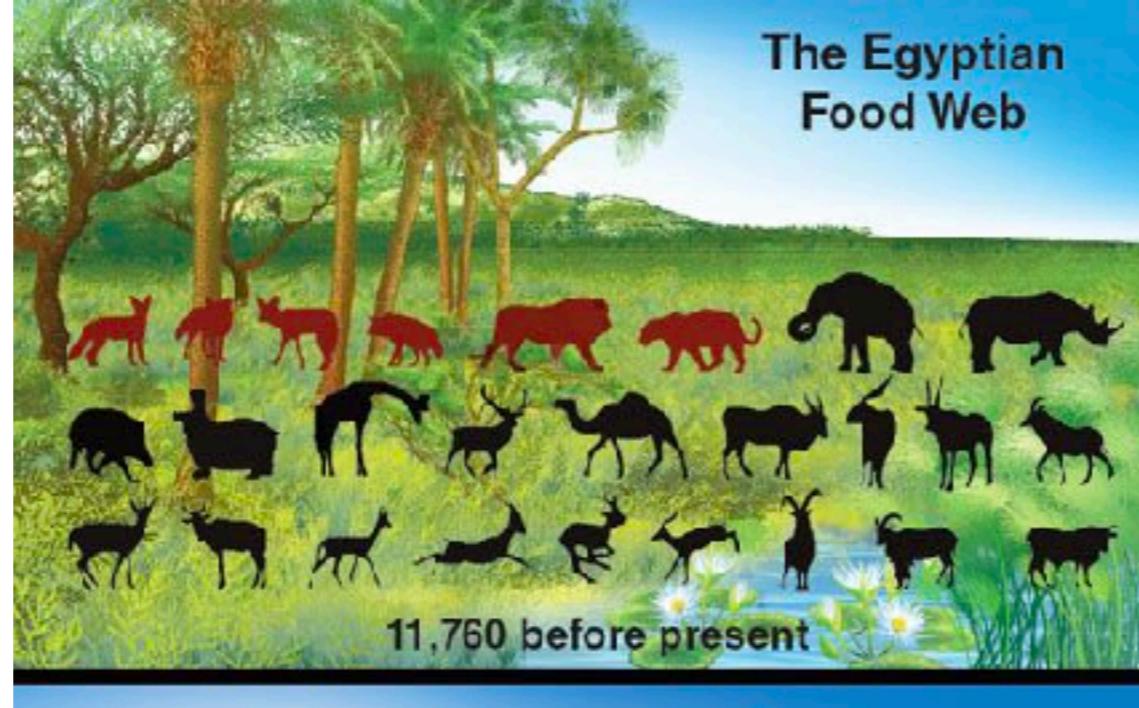
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The Egyptian Food Web





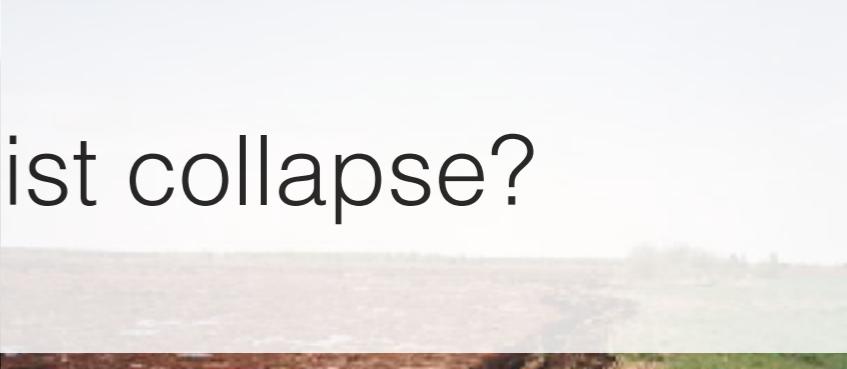
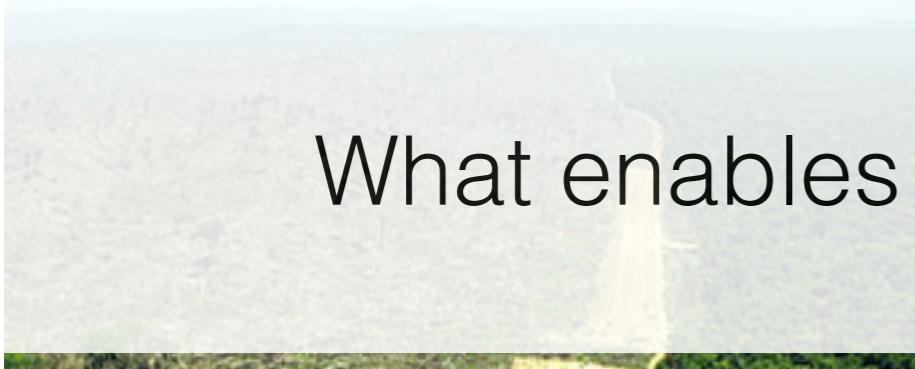


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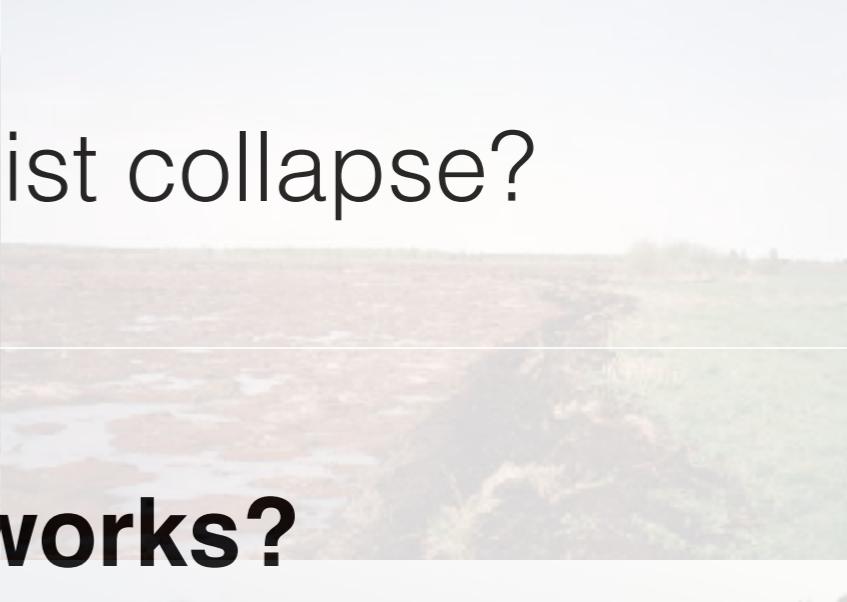


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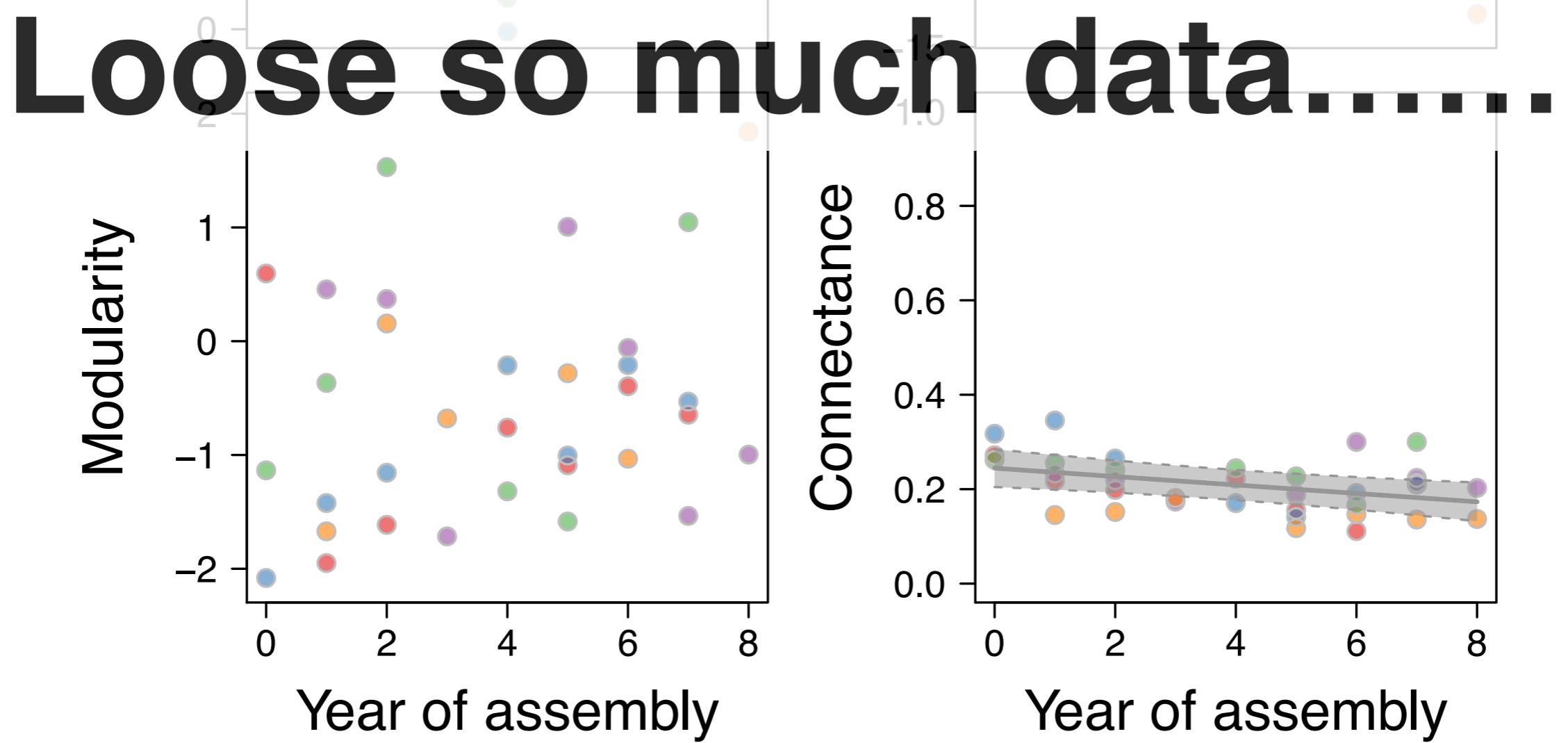


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How can we compare networks?





Case study in comparing networks

CA Central Valley









Assembling hedgerow

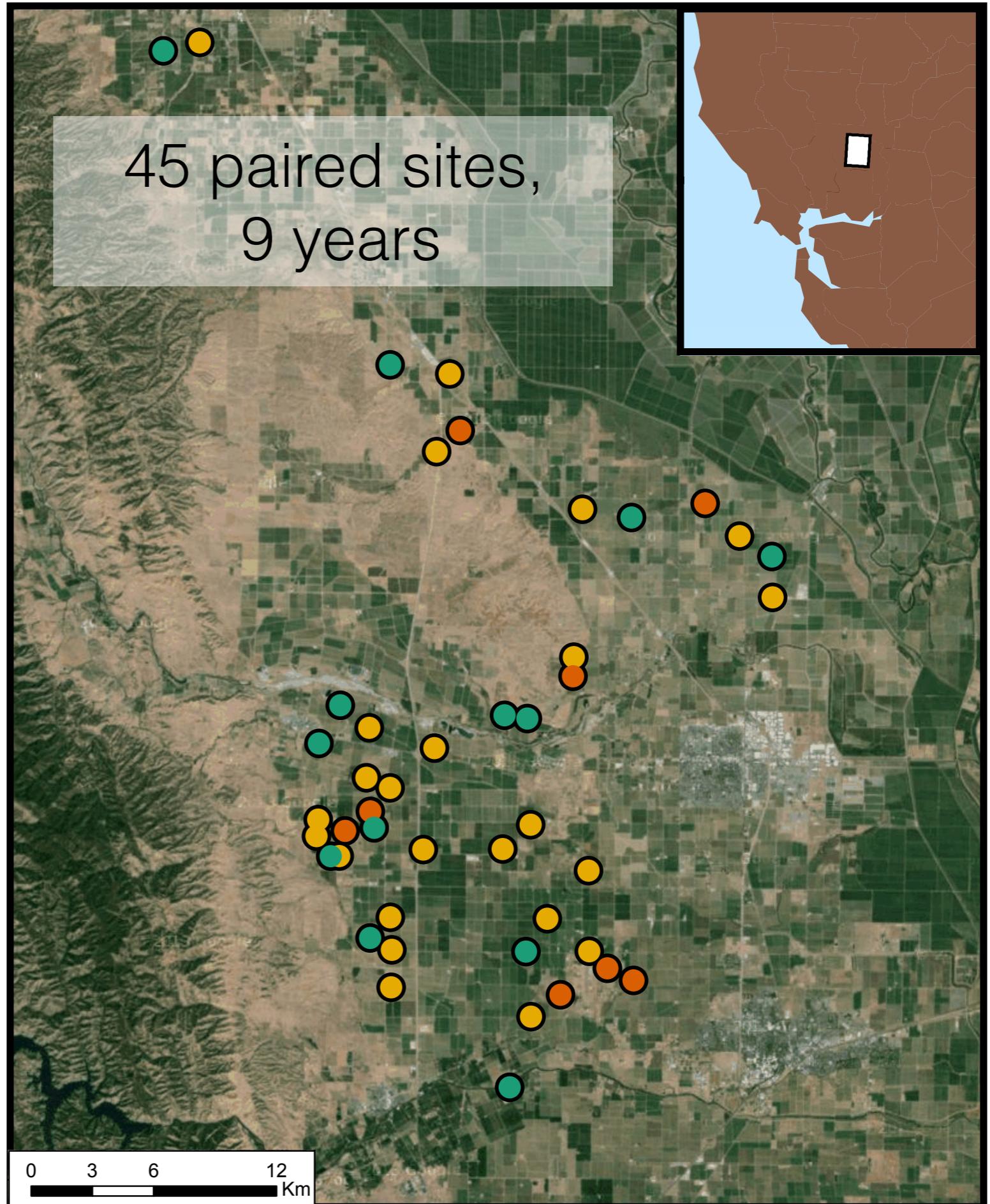


45 paired sites,
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Non-assembling field margin



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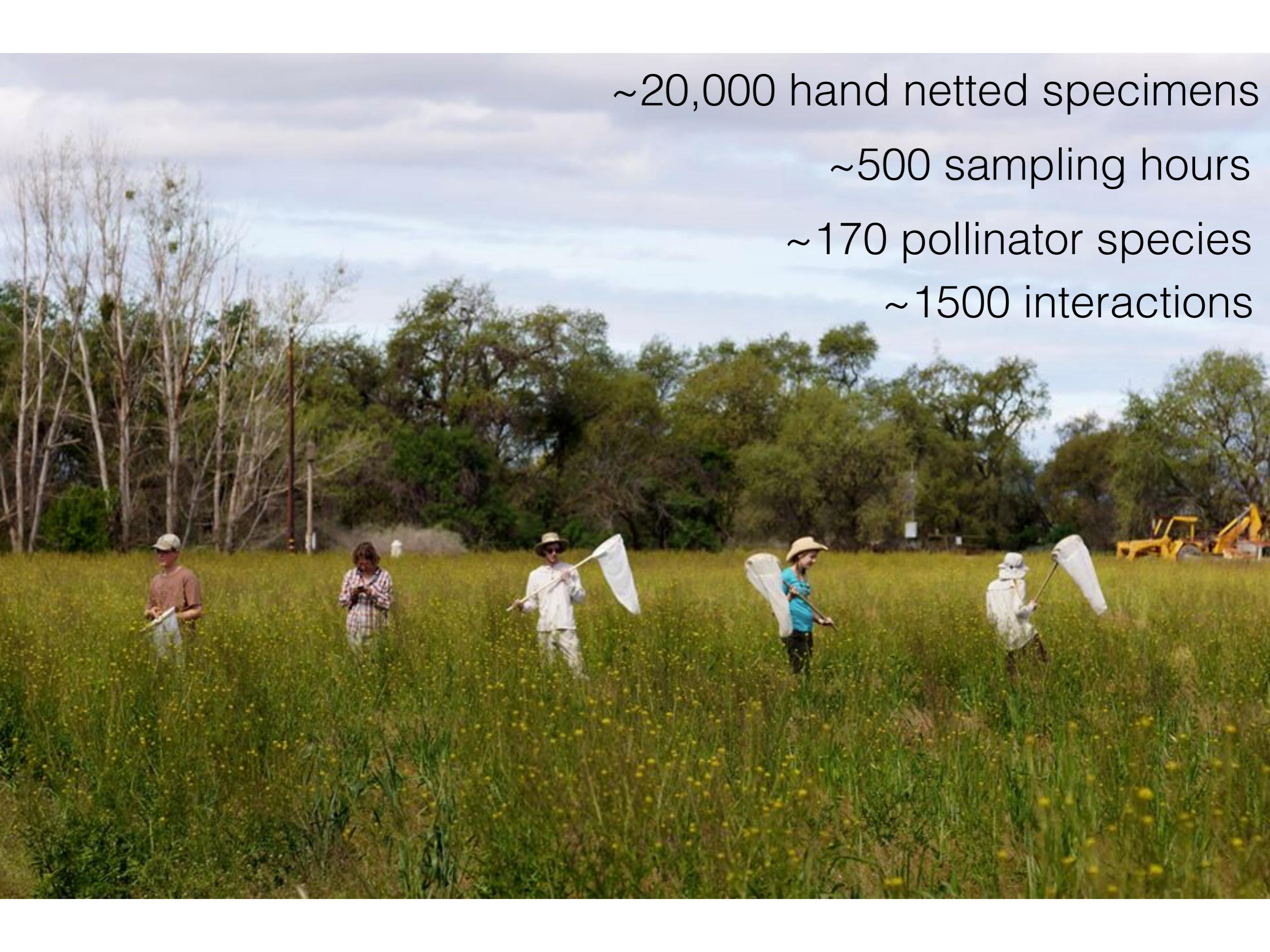


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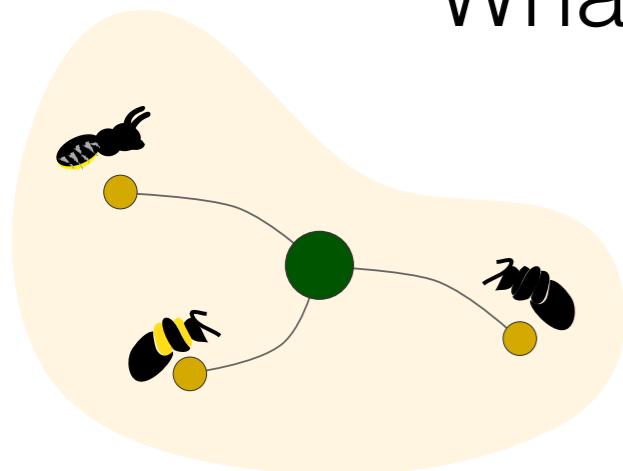
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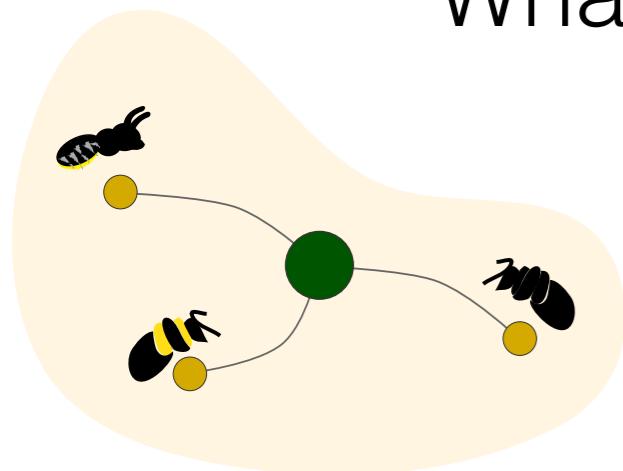
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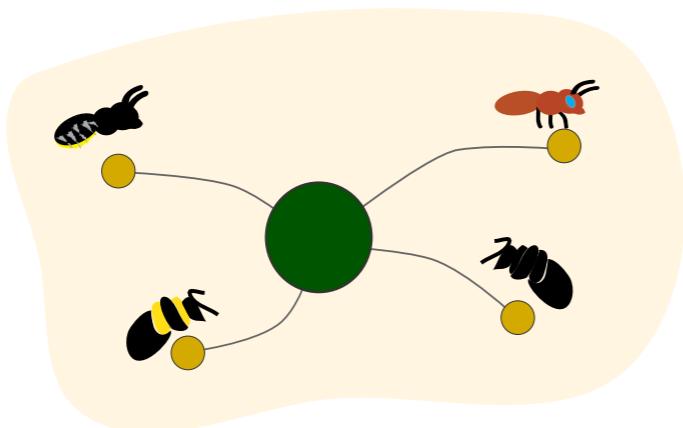


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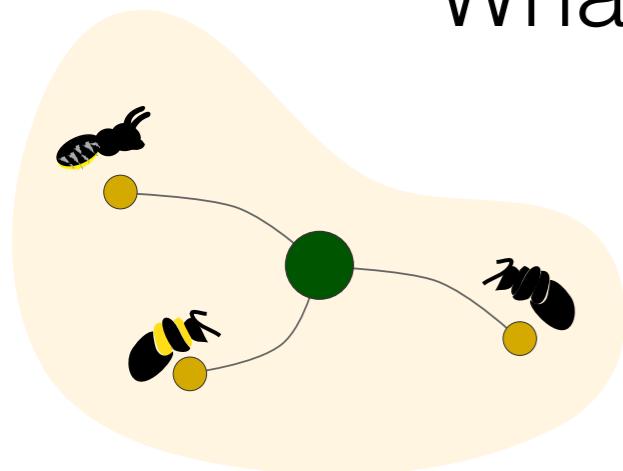
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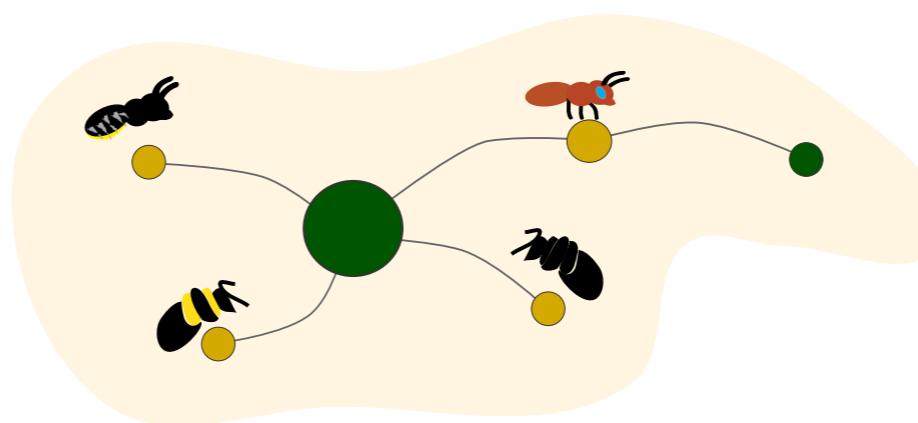
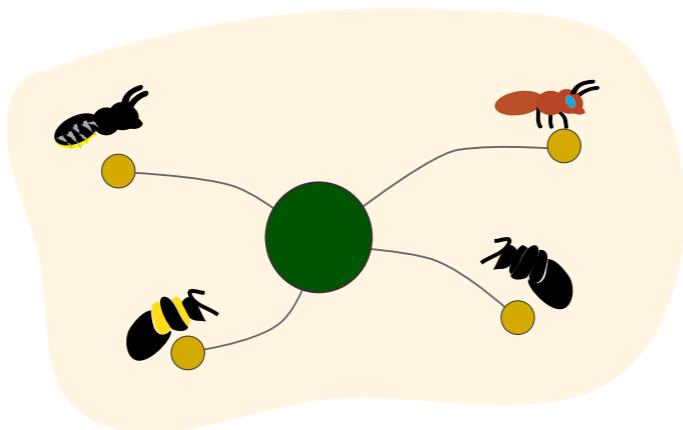
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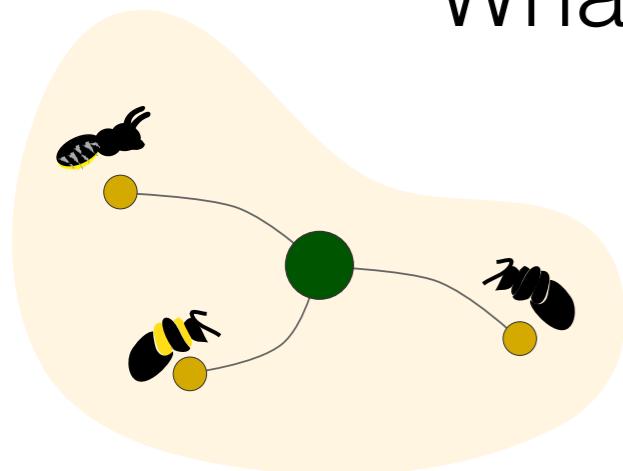
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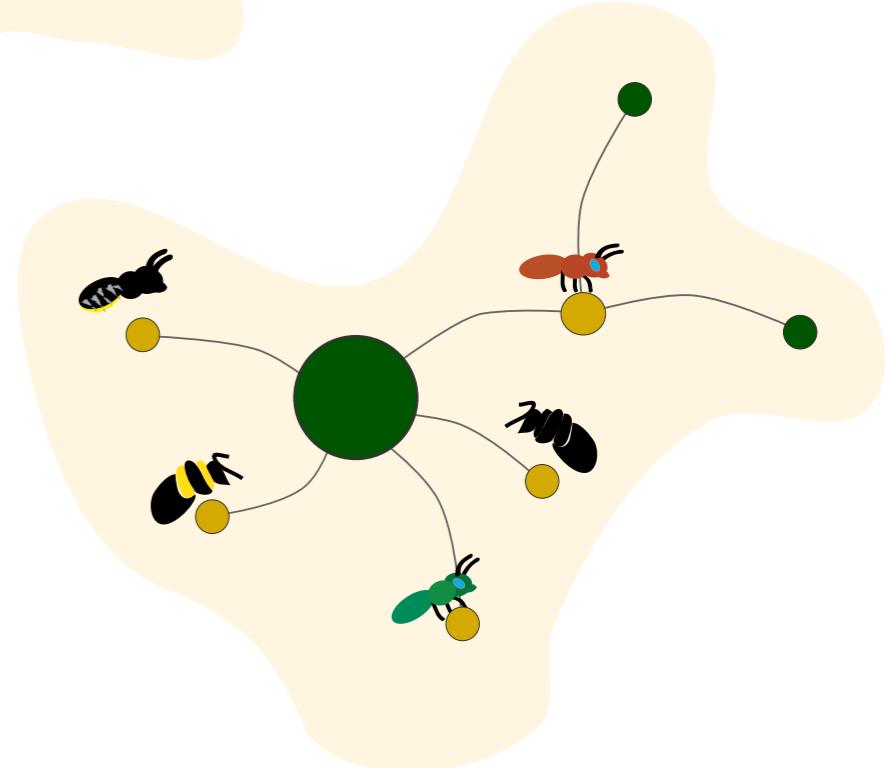
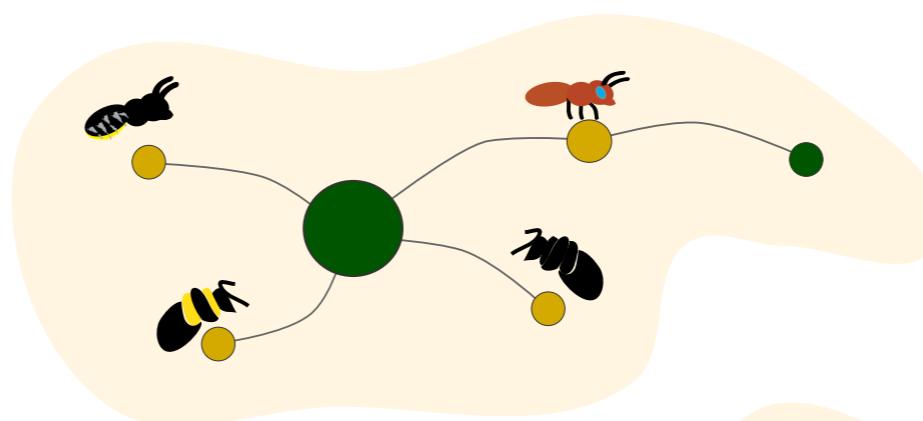
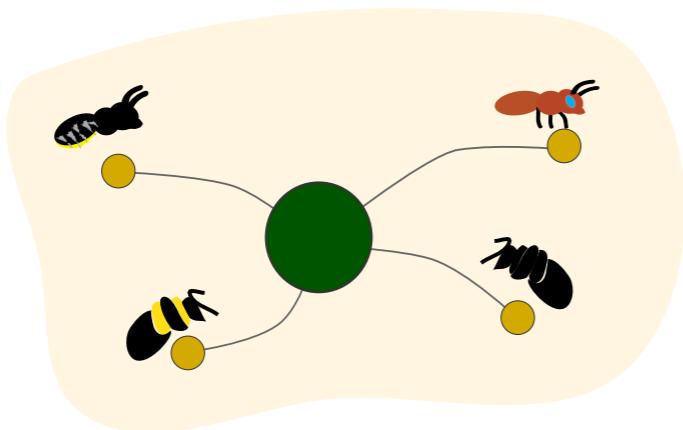
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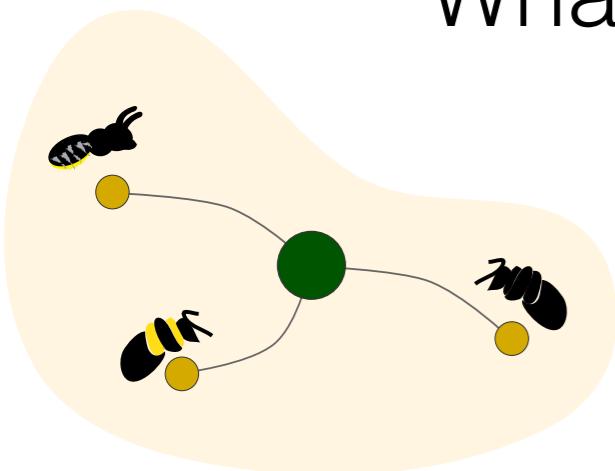
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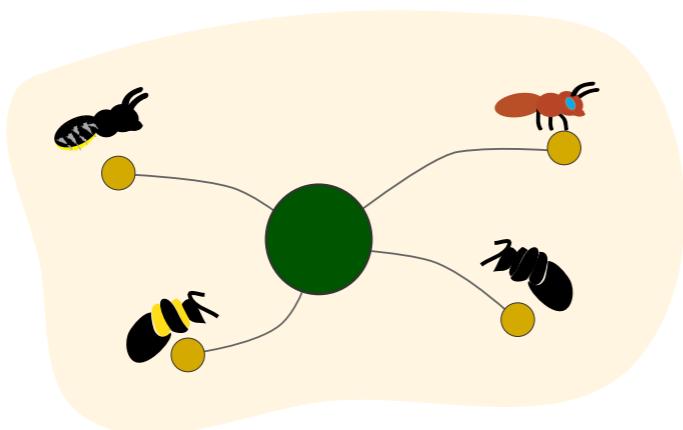
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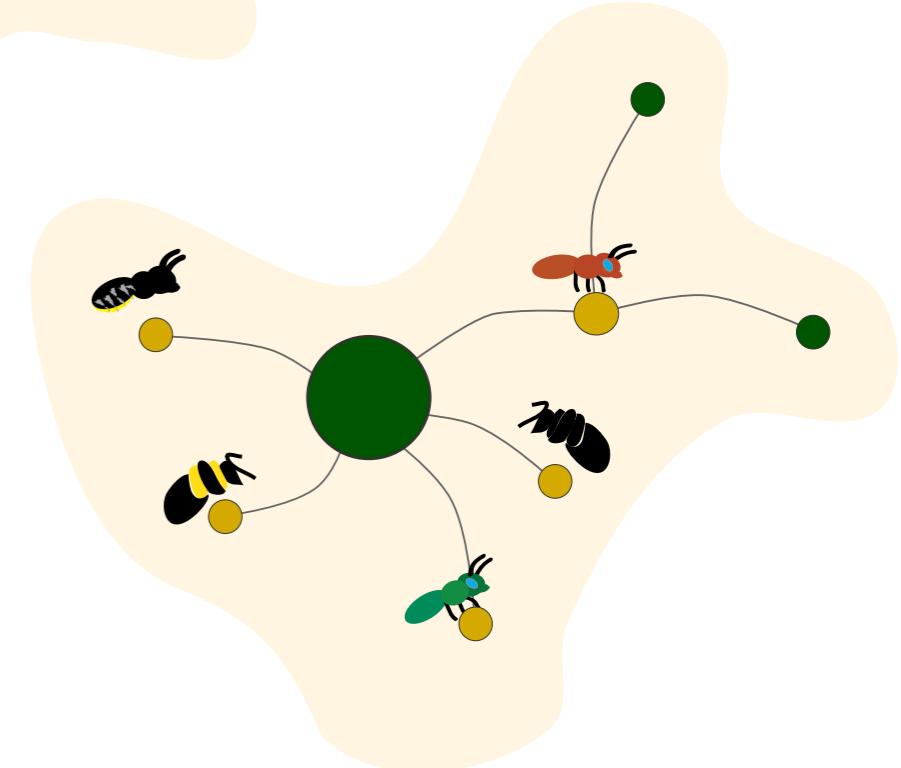
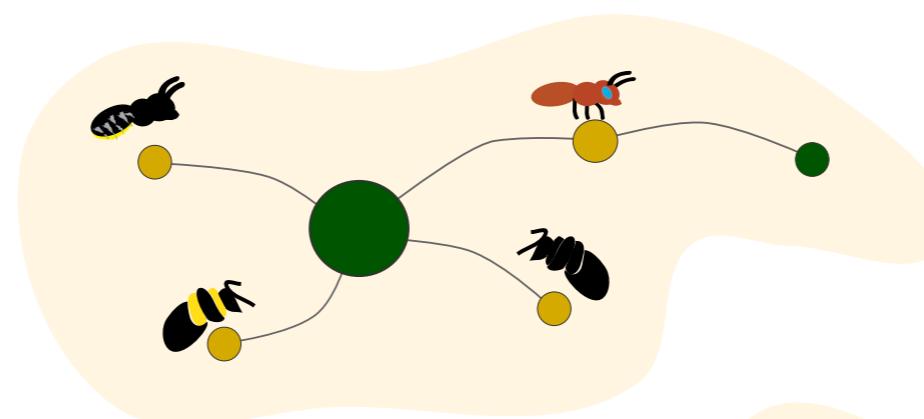
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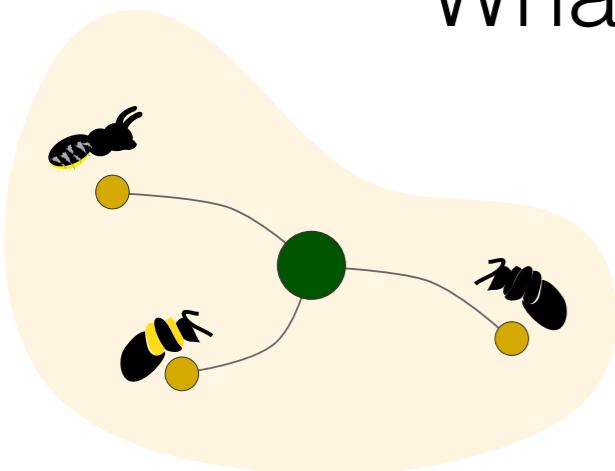
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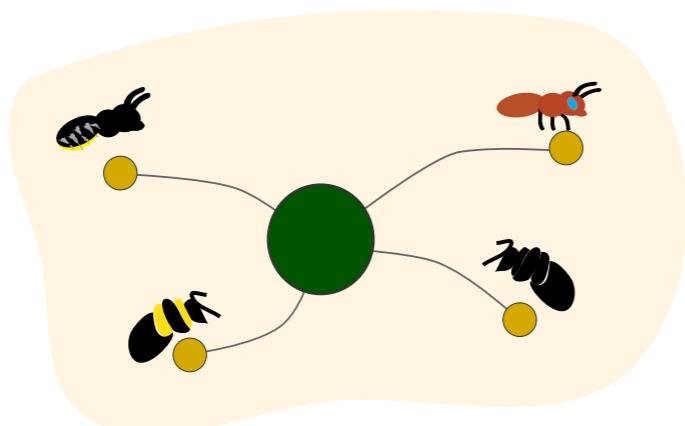
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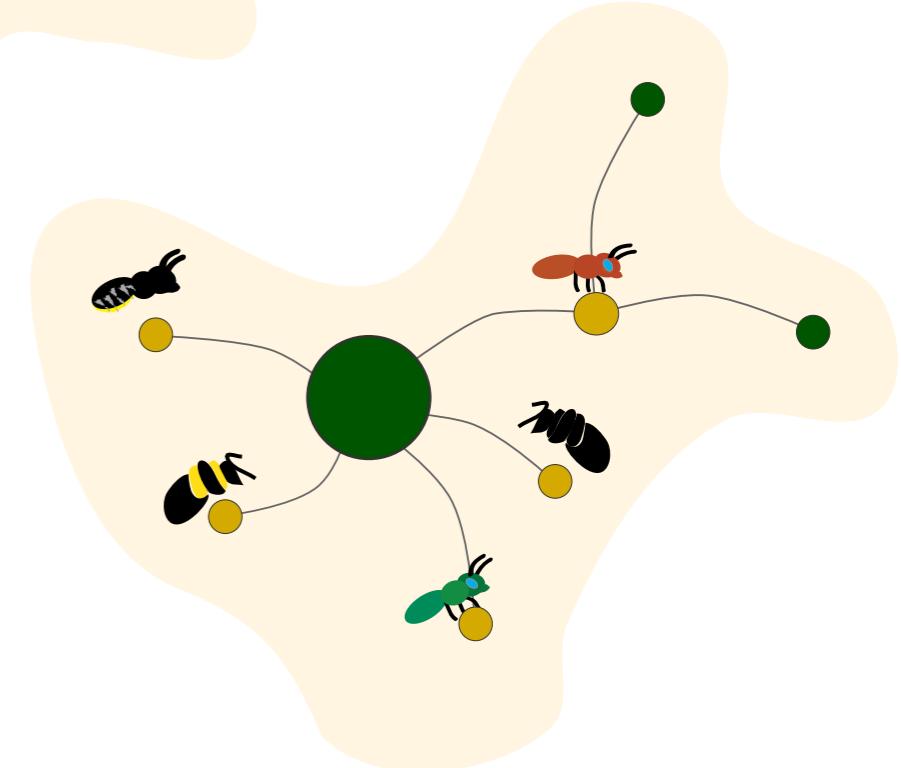
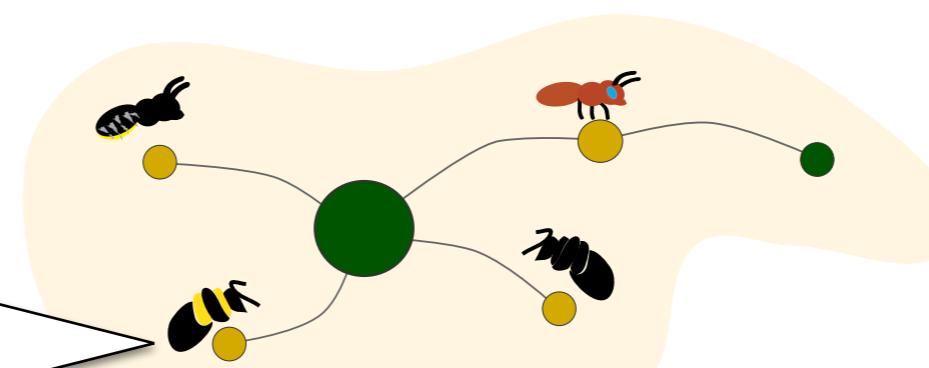


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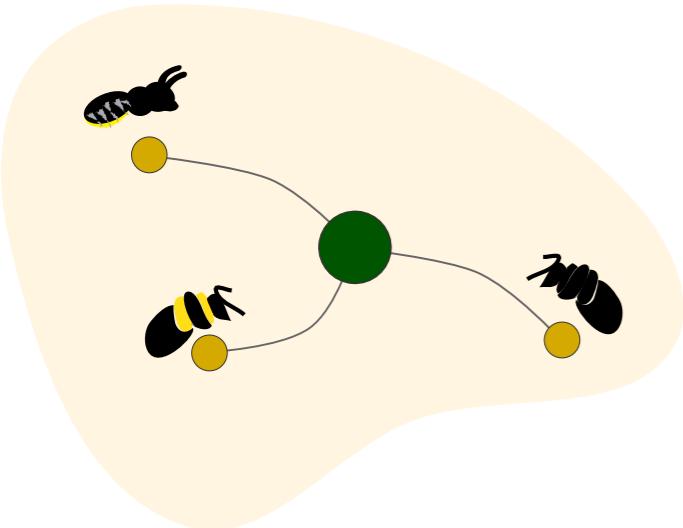


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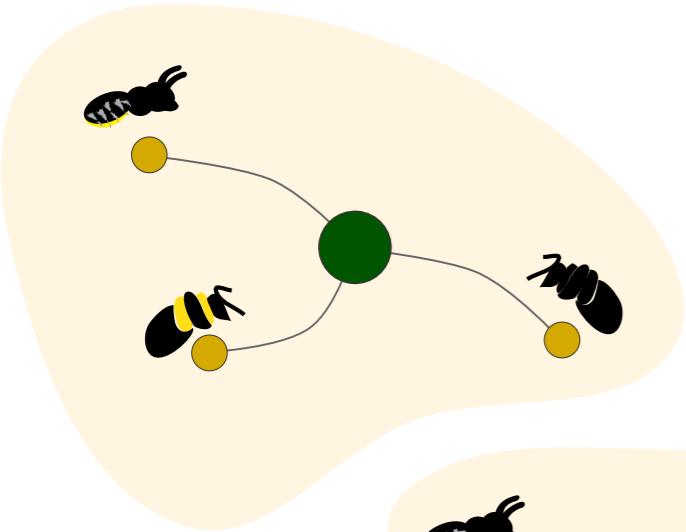


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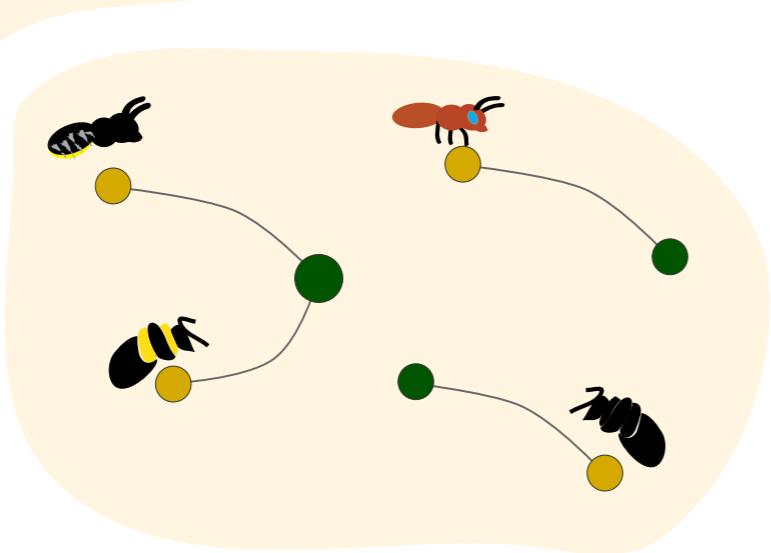


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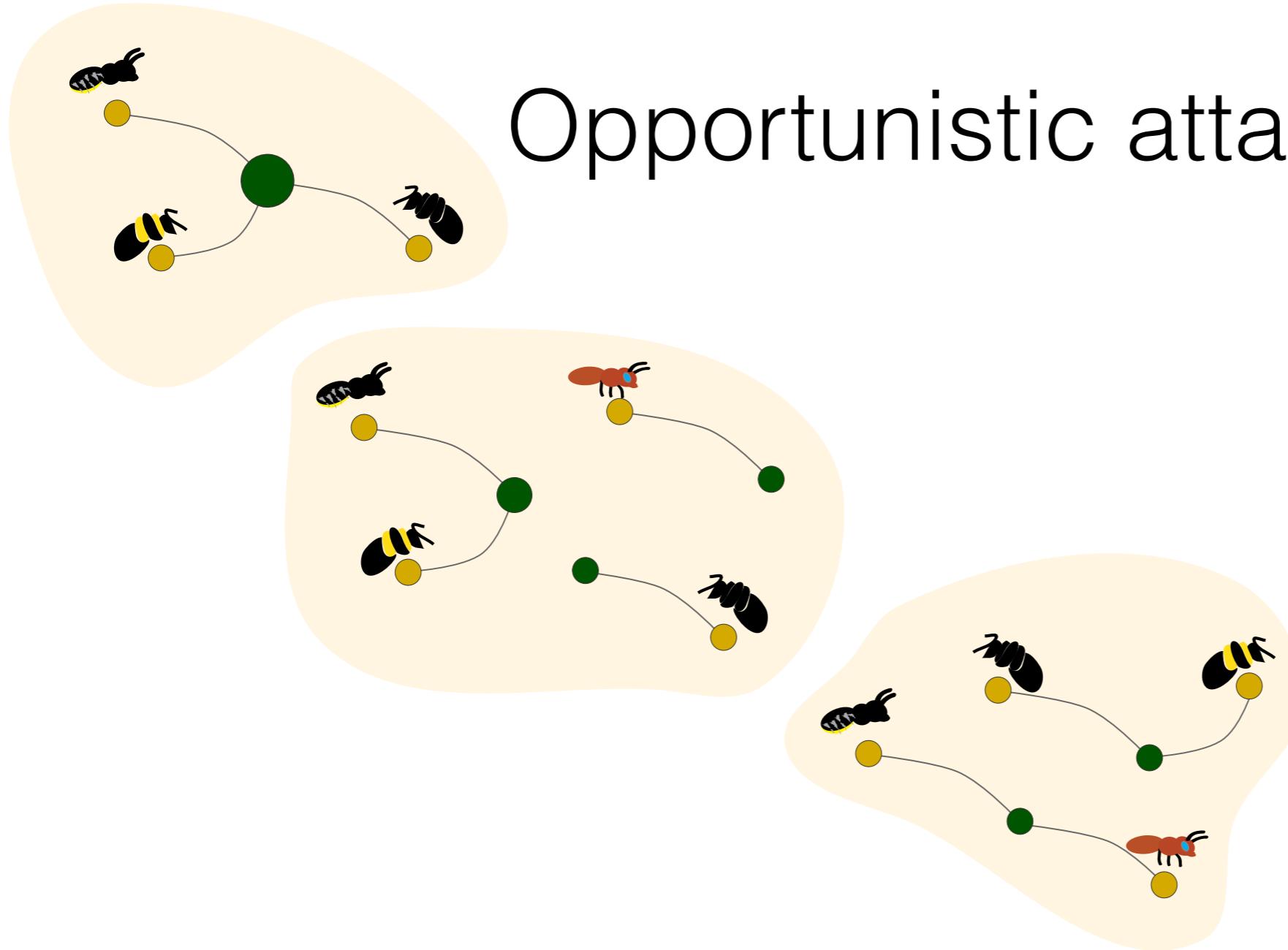


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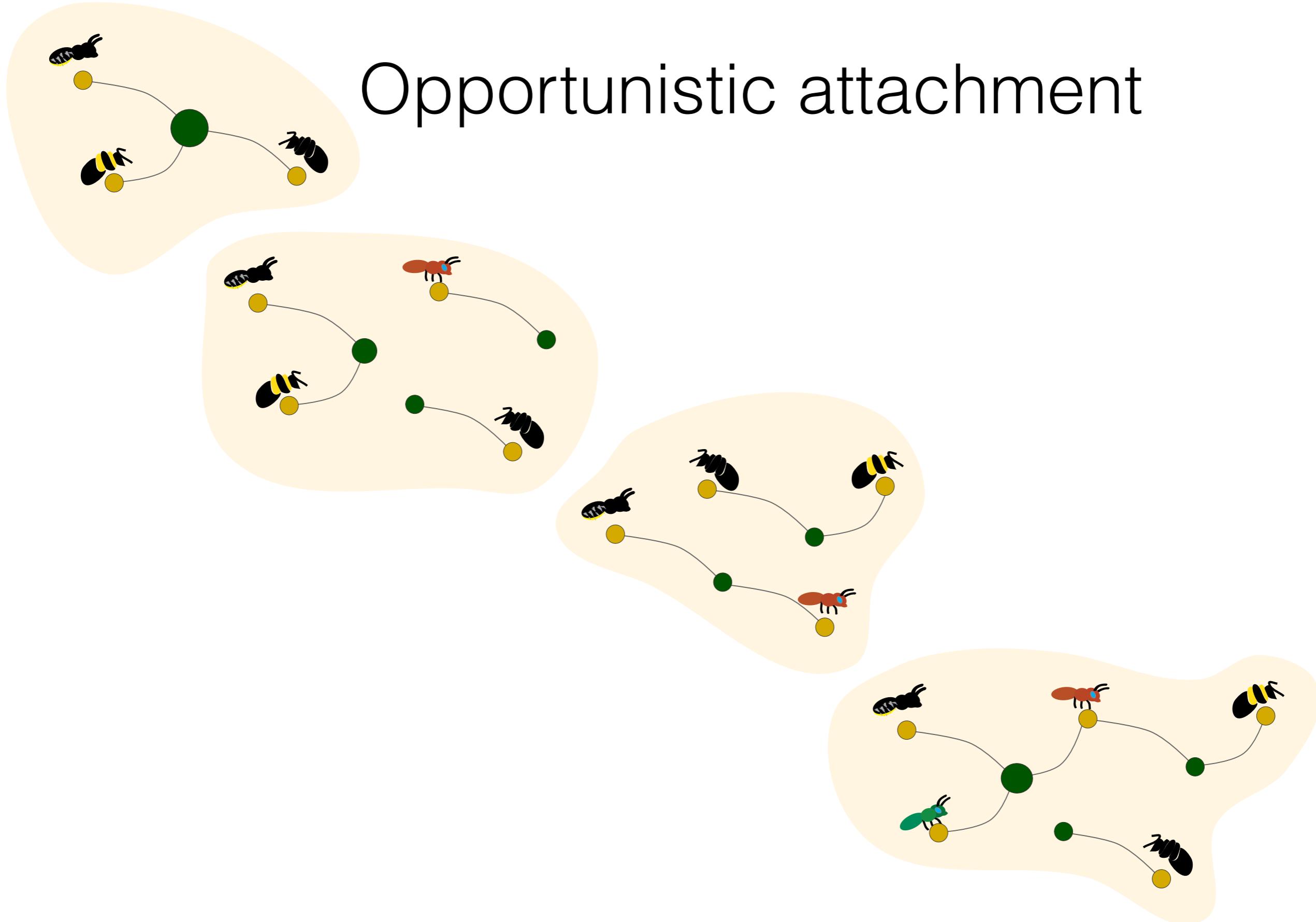
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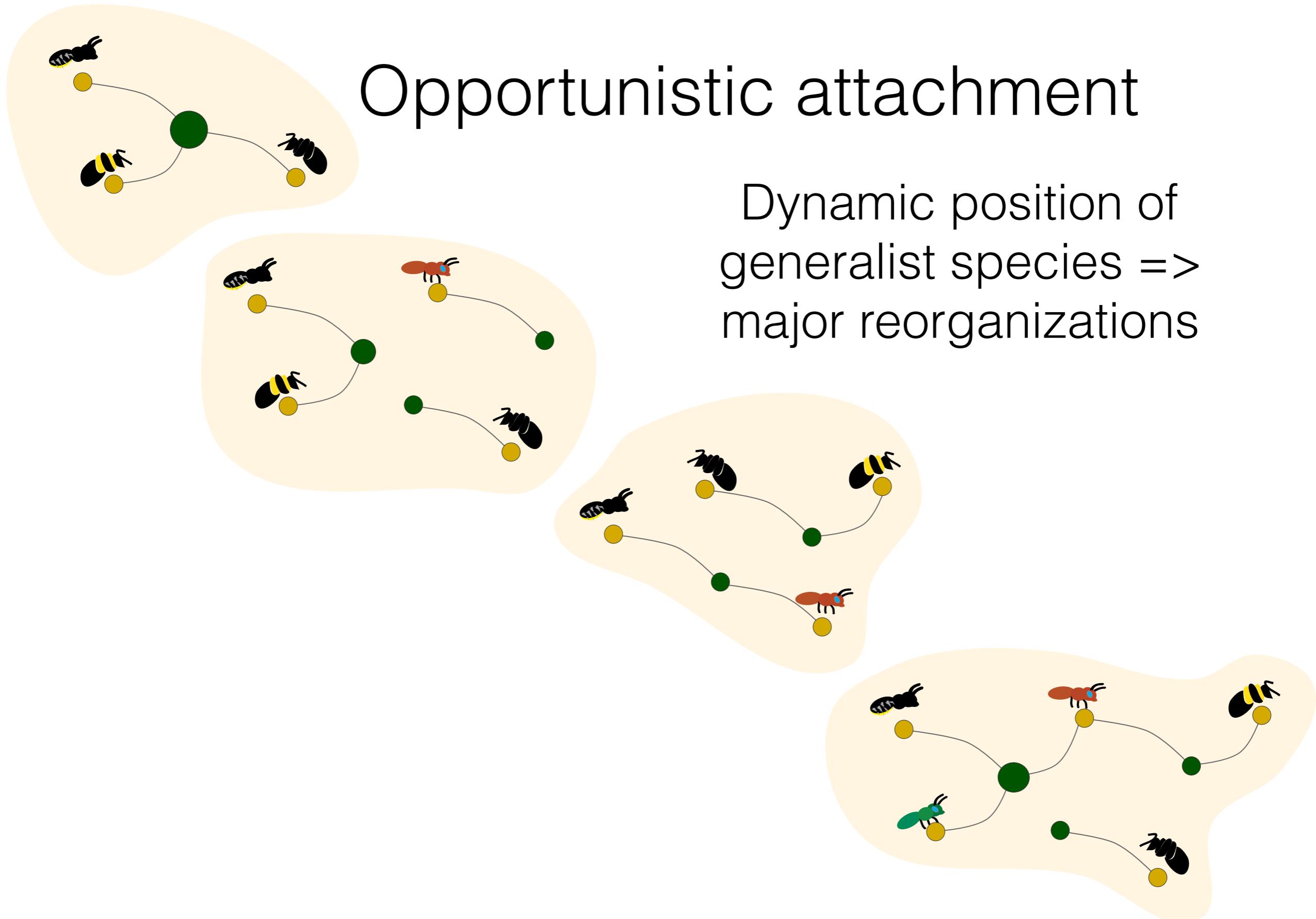
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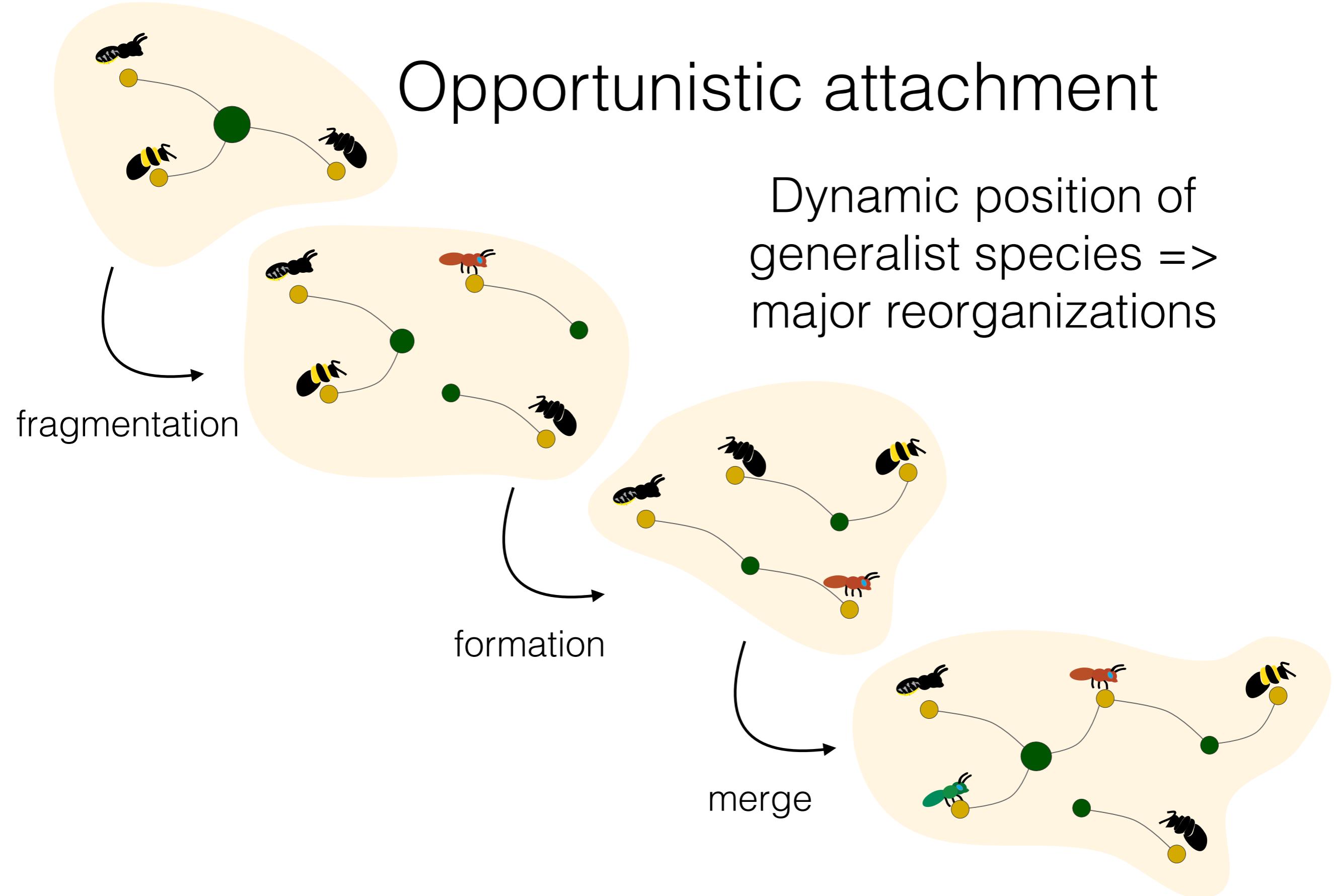
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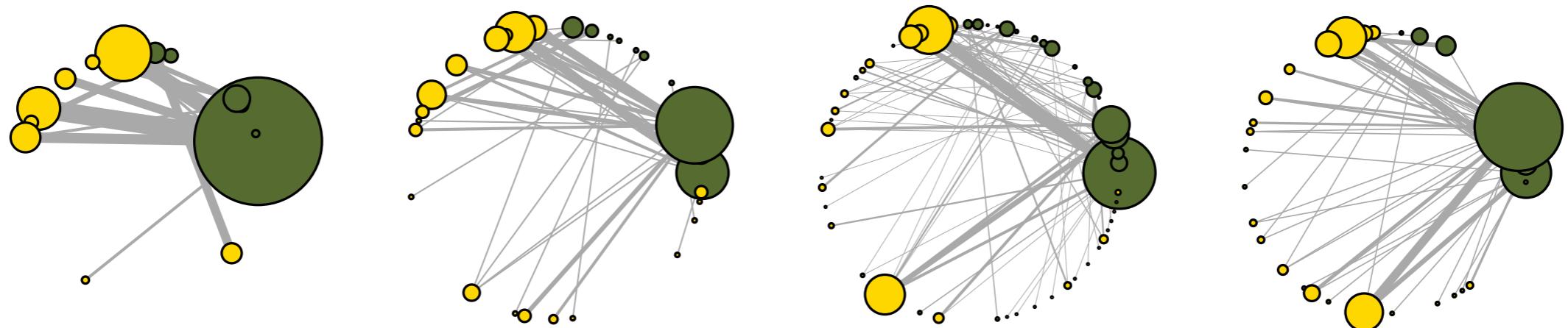
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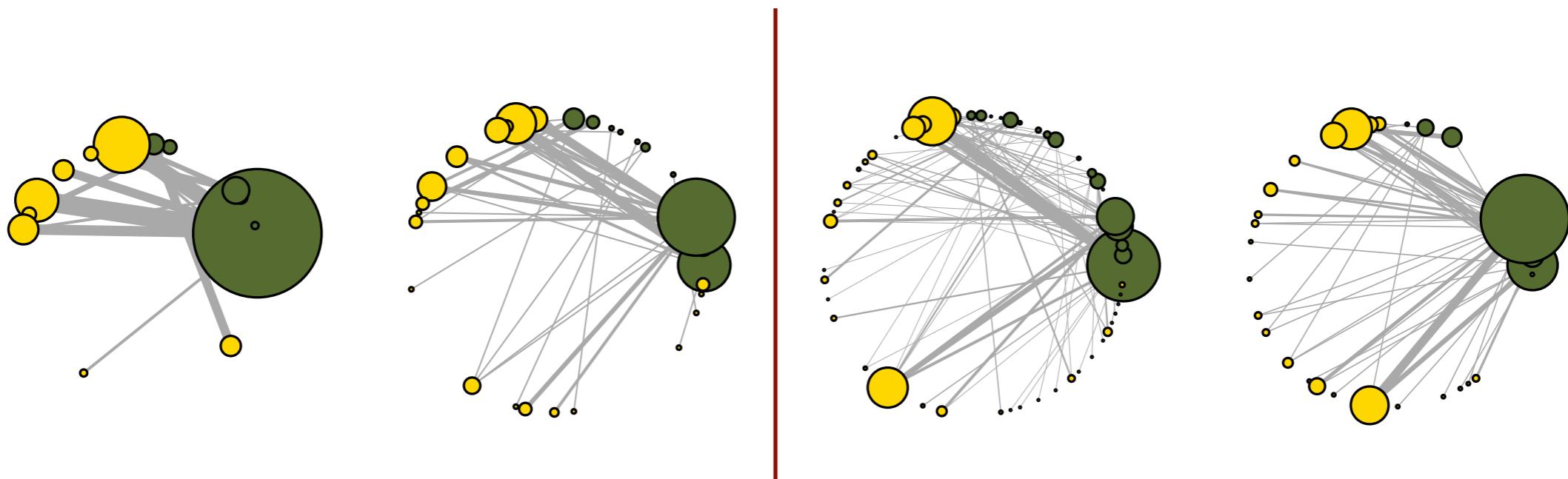




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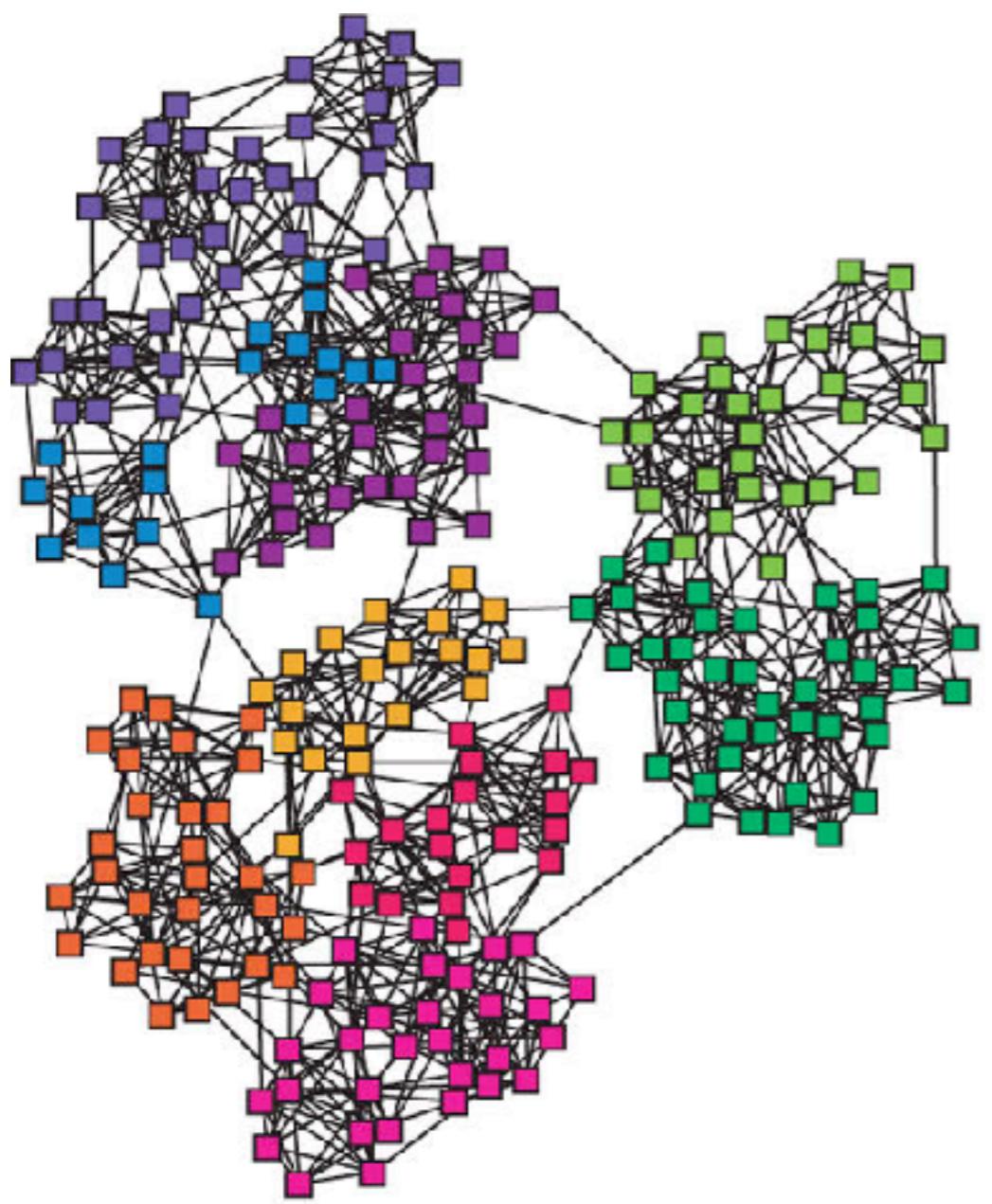
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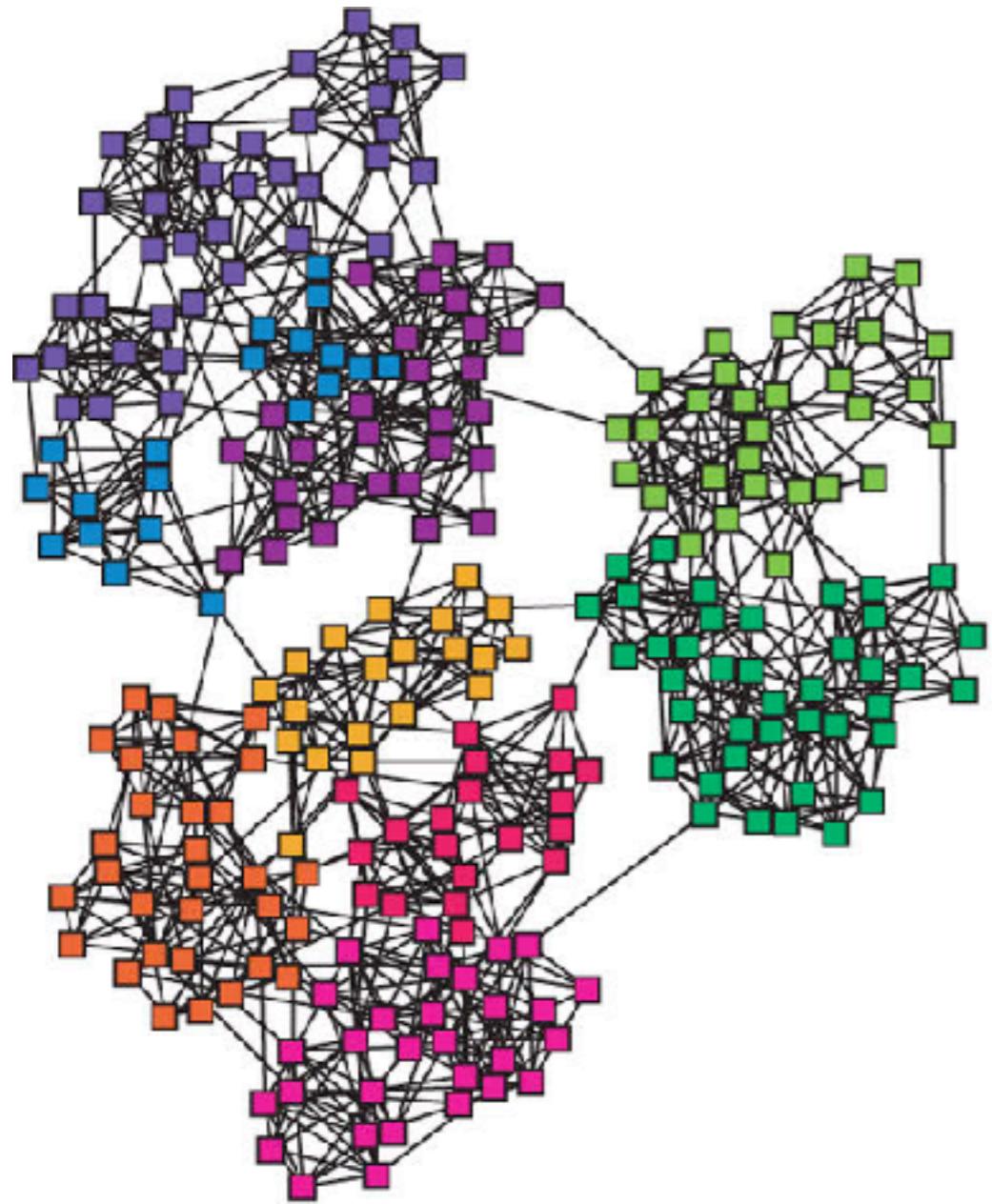
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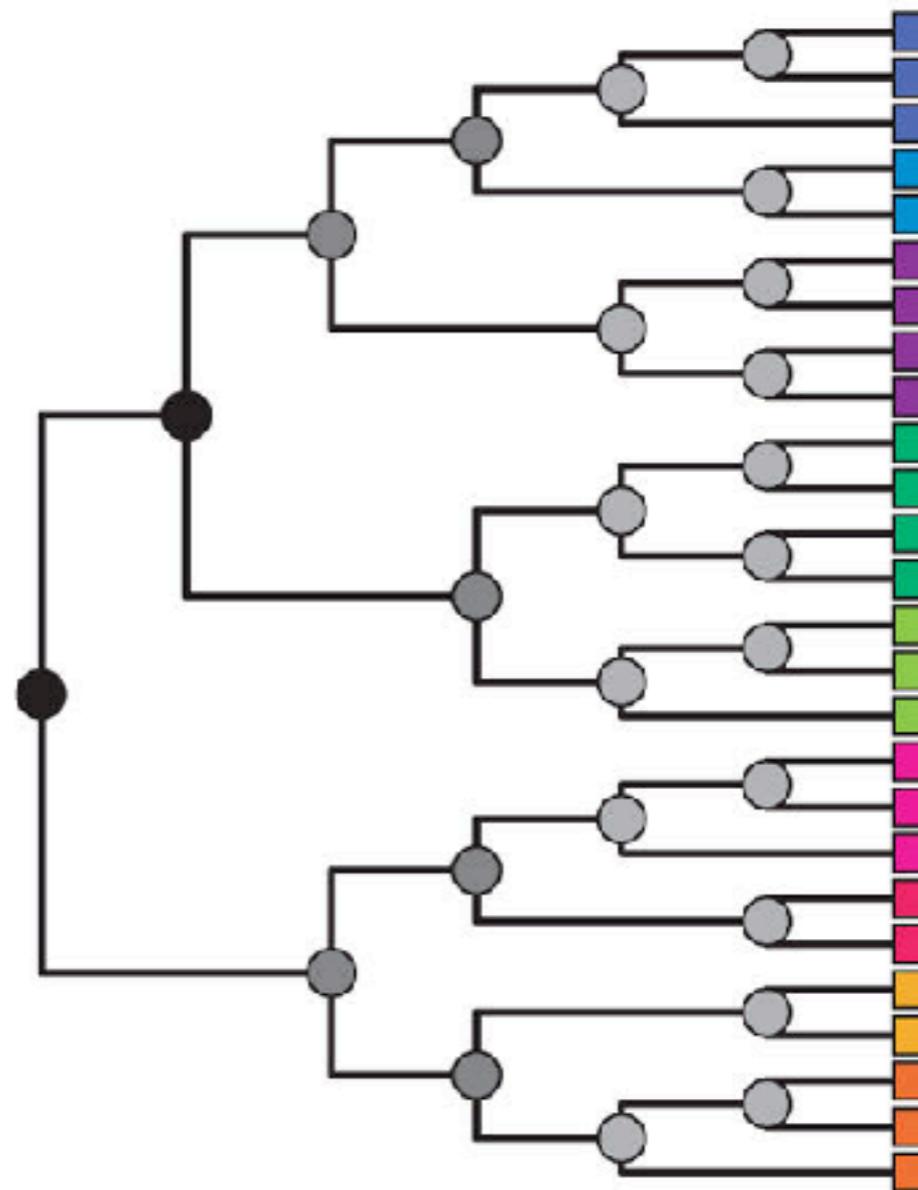
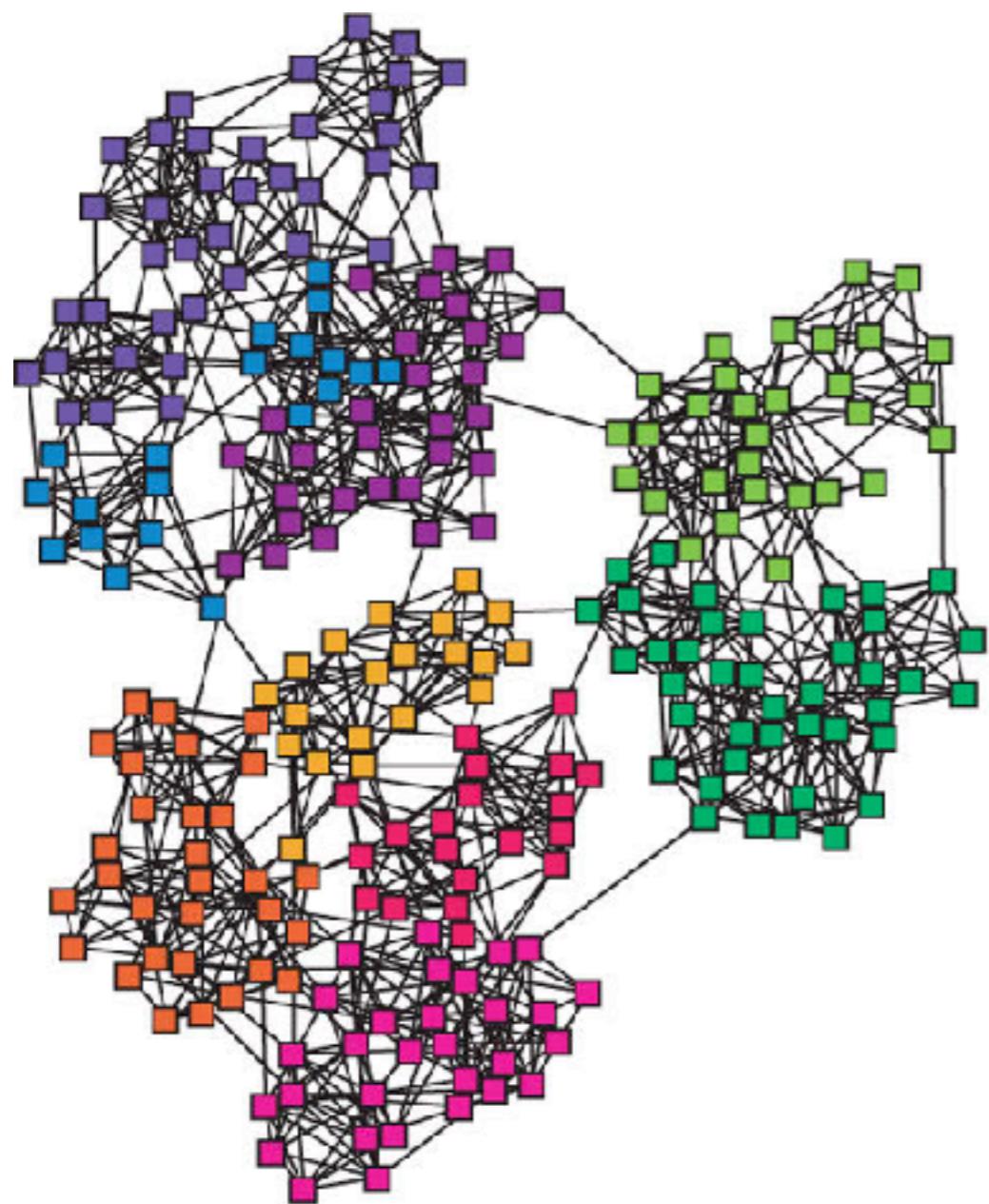
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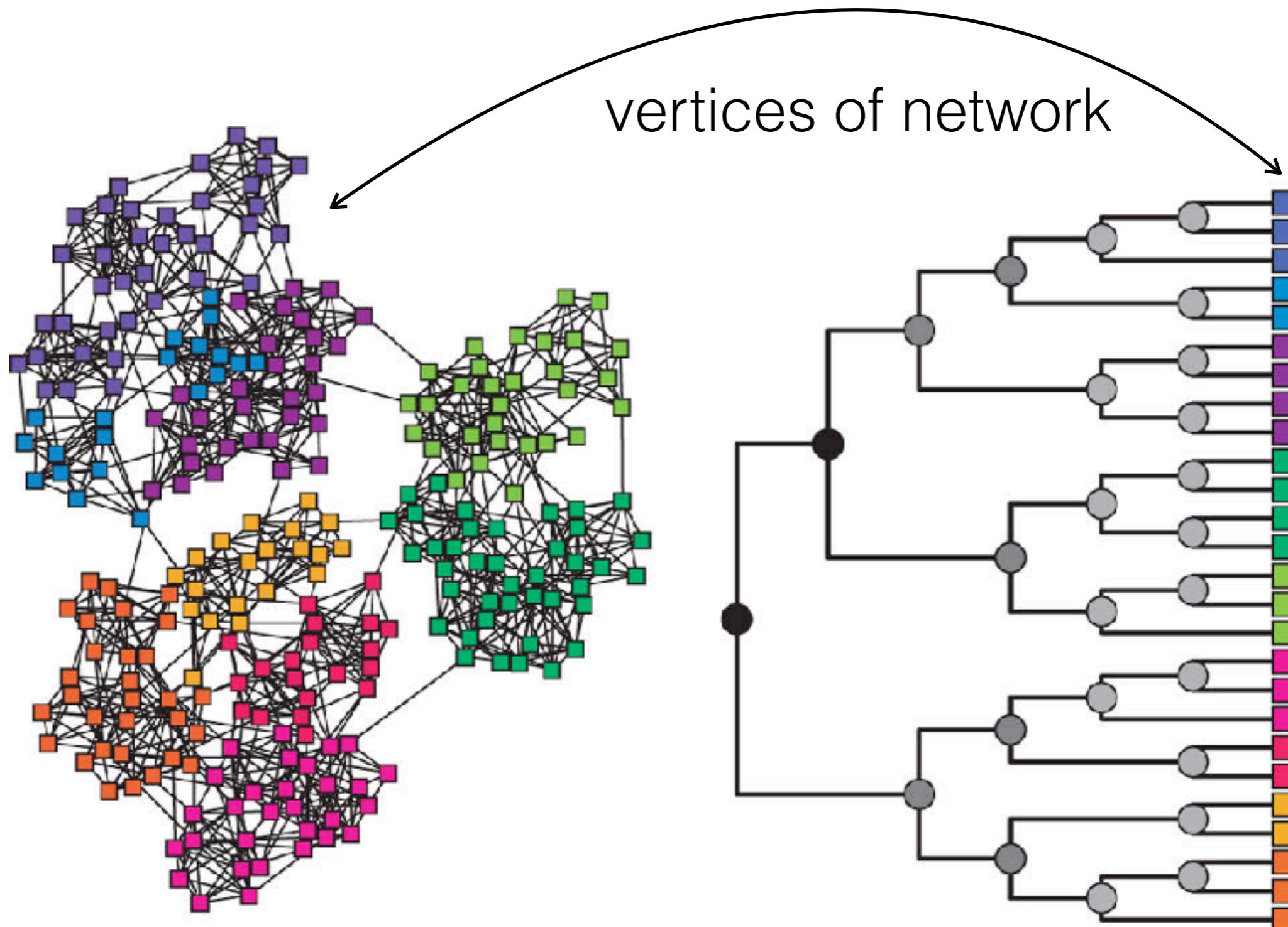
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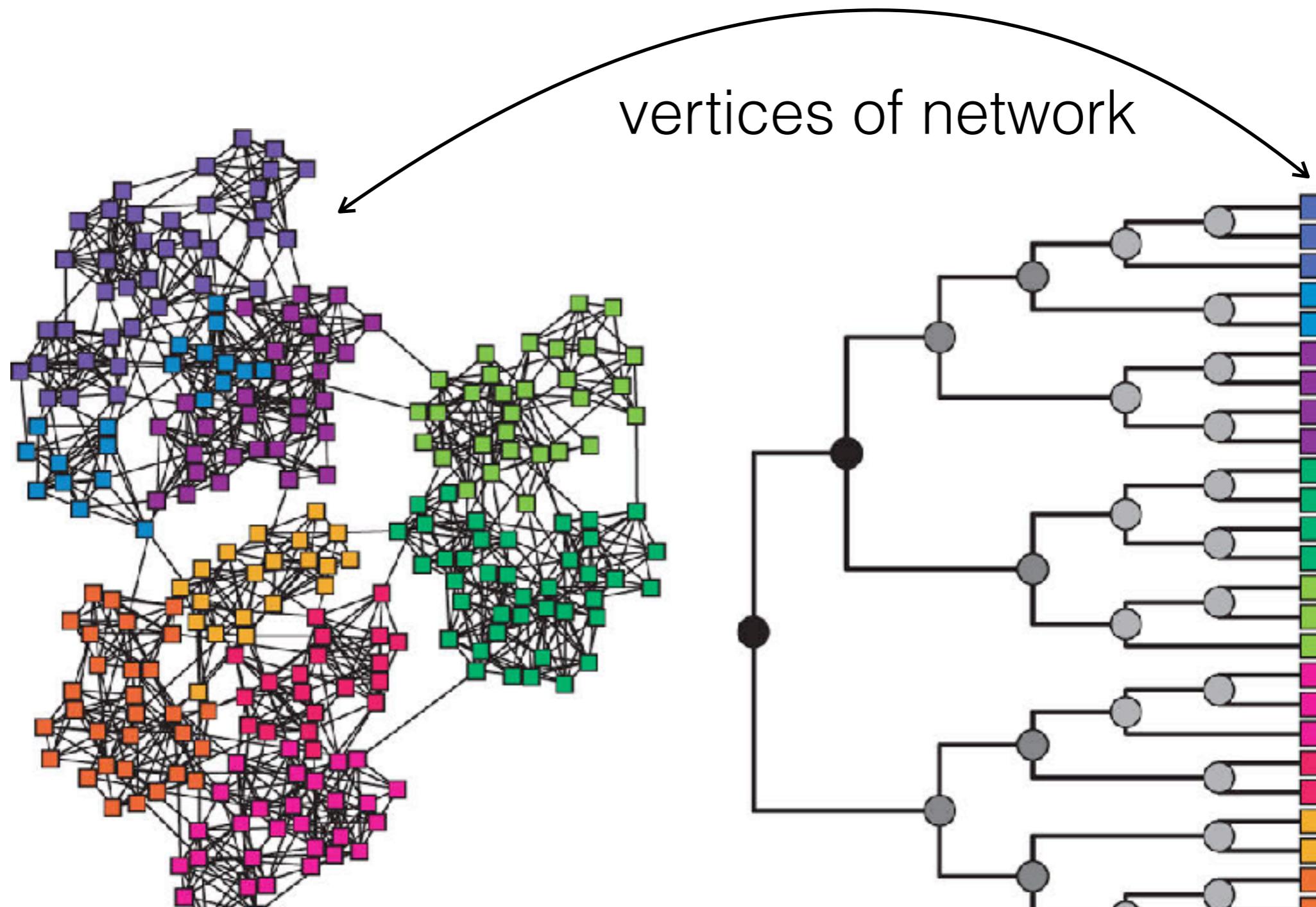


How could we simulate a random network
with the same hierarchy?









vertices share a common ancestor r
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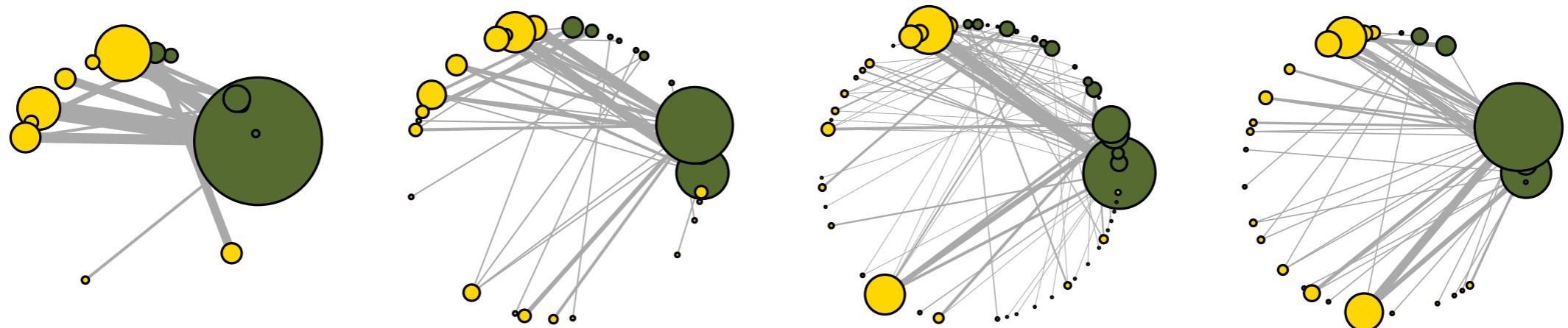
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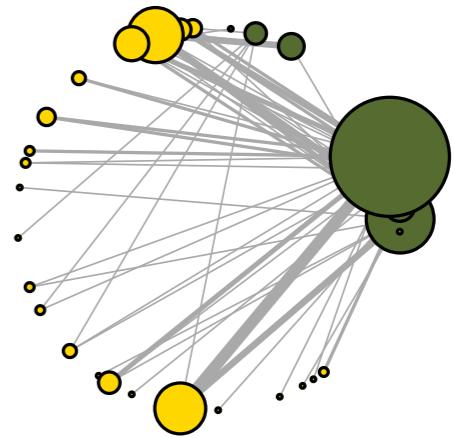
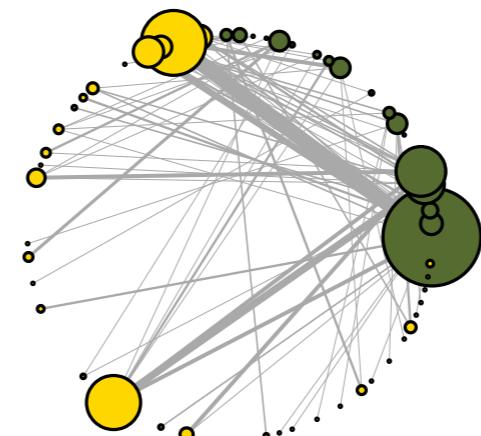
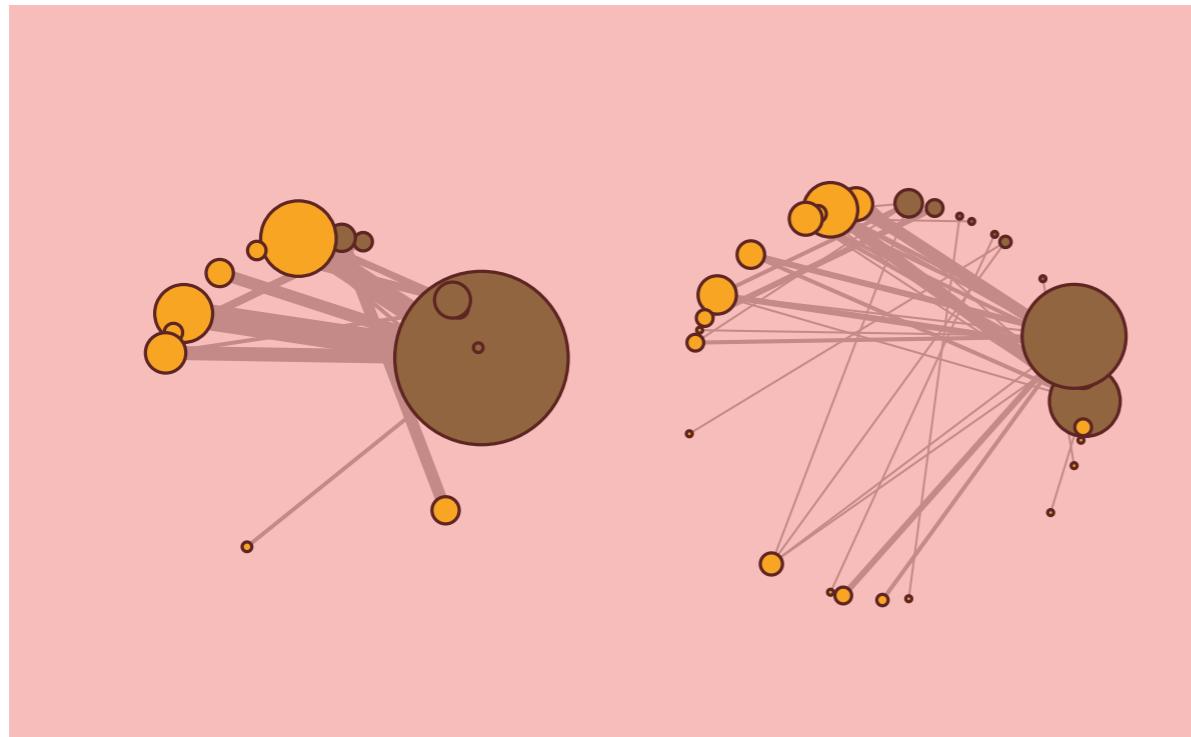
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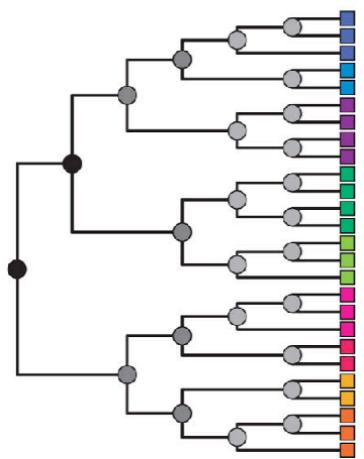
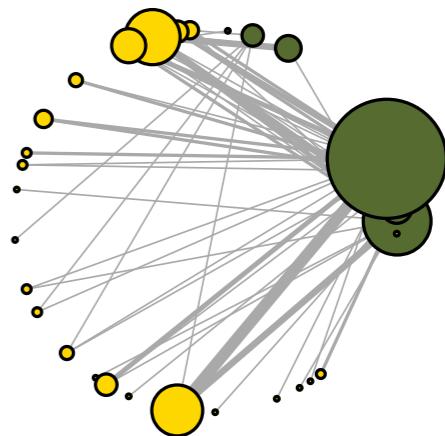
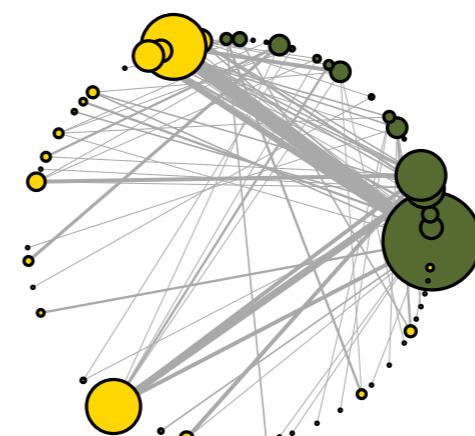
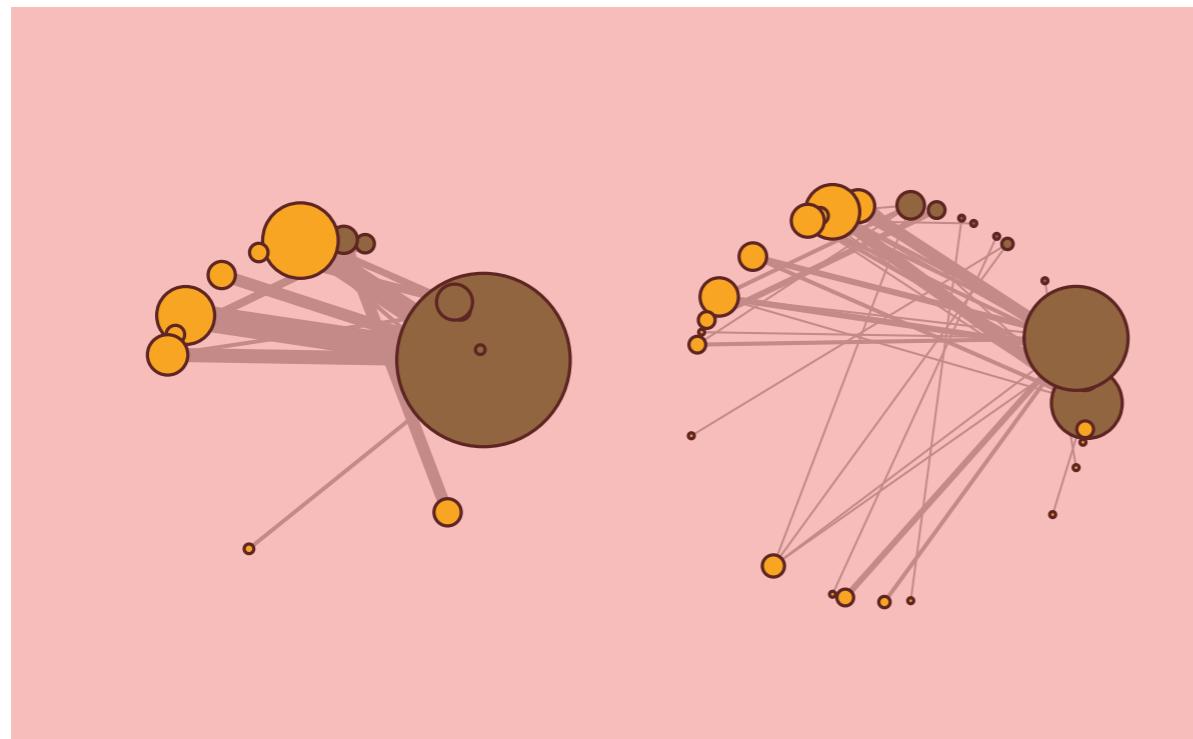
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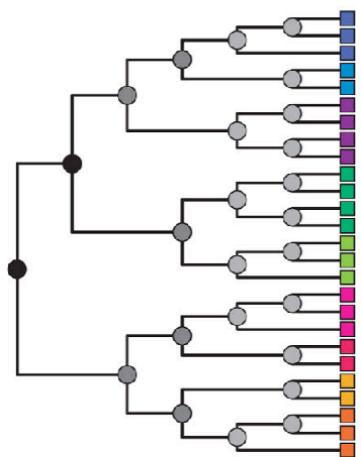
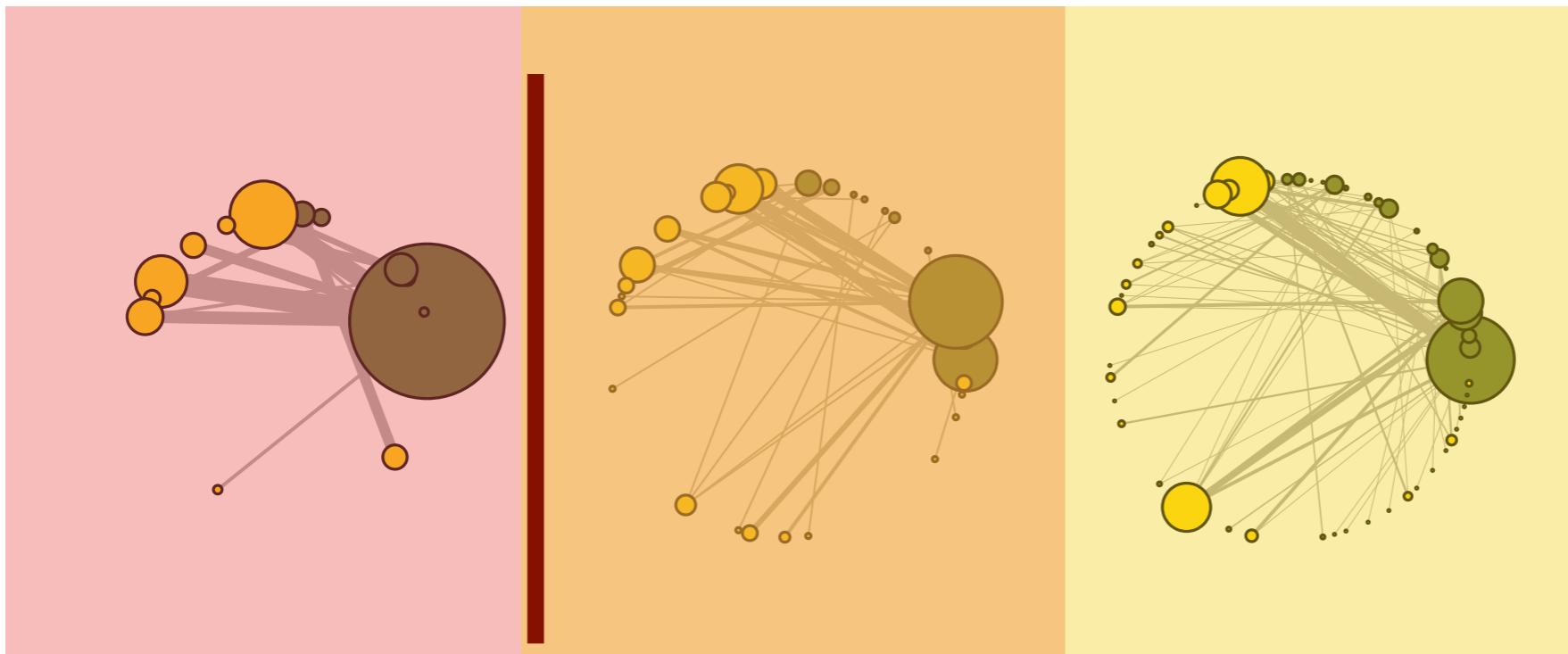




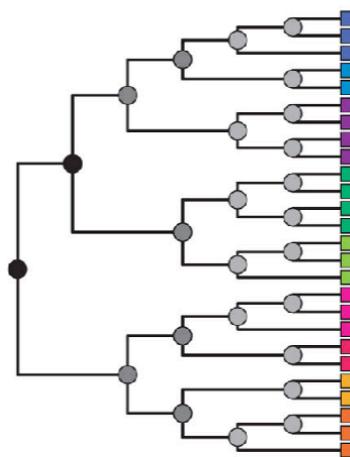


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likelihood after

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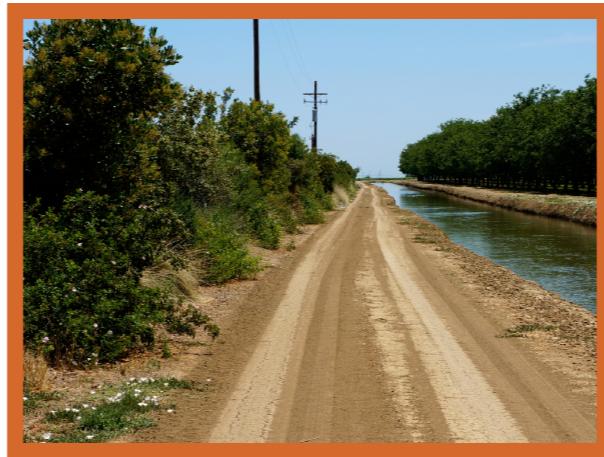
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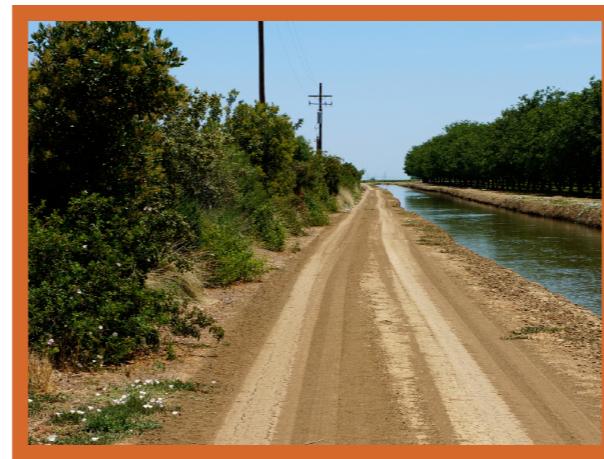
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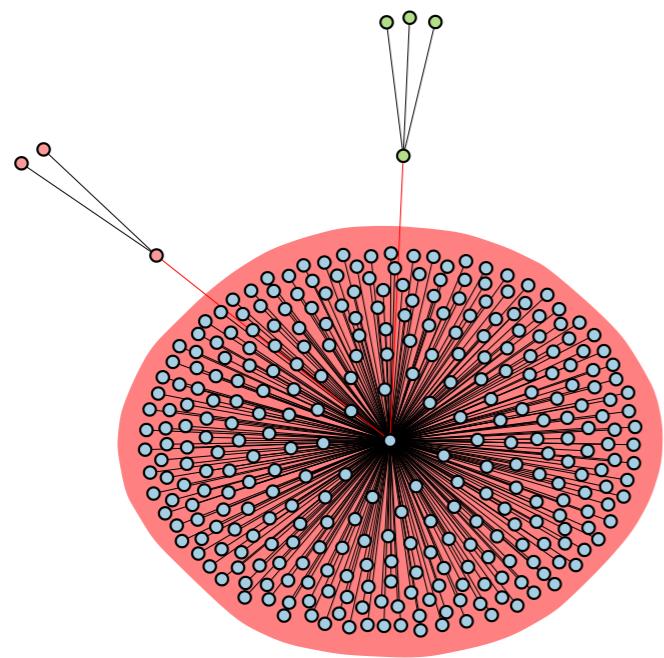
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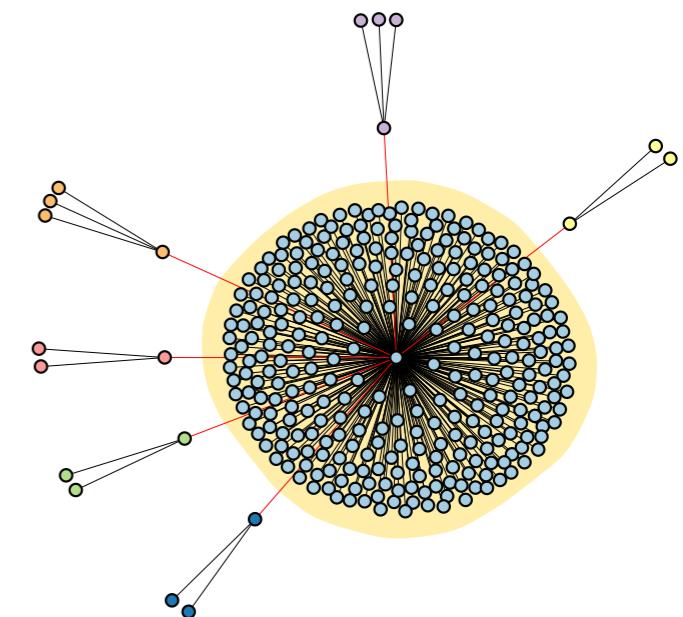
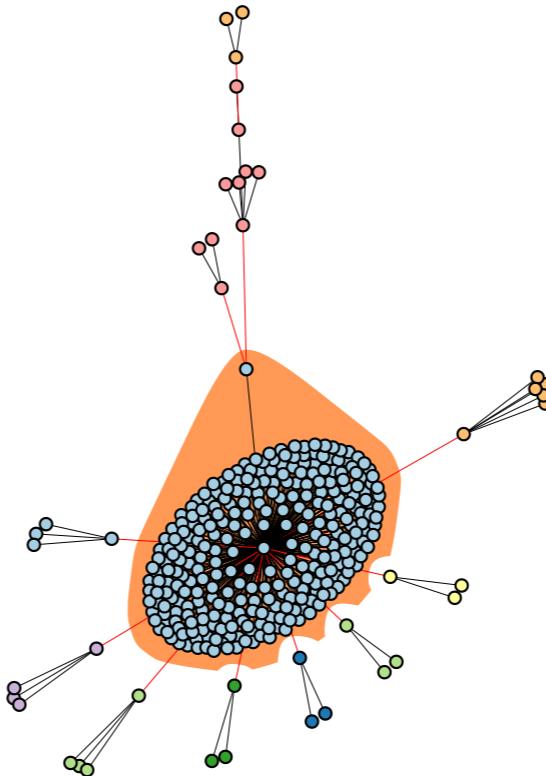
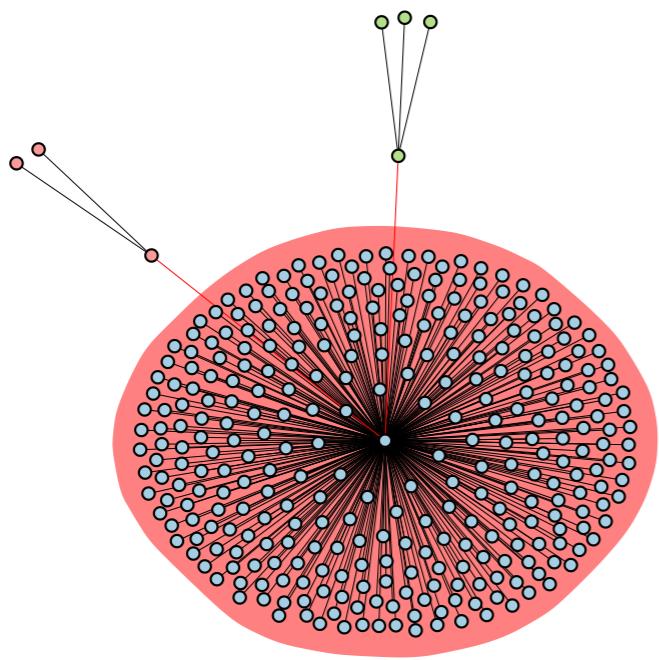
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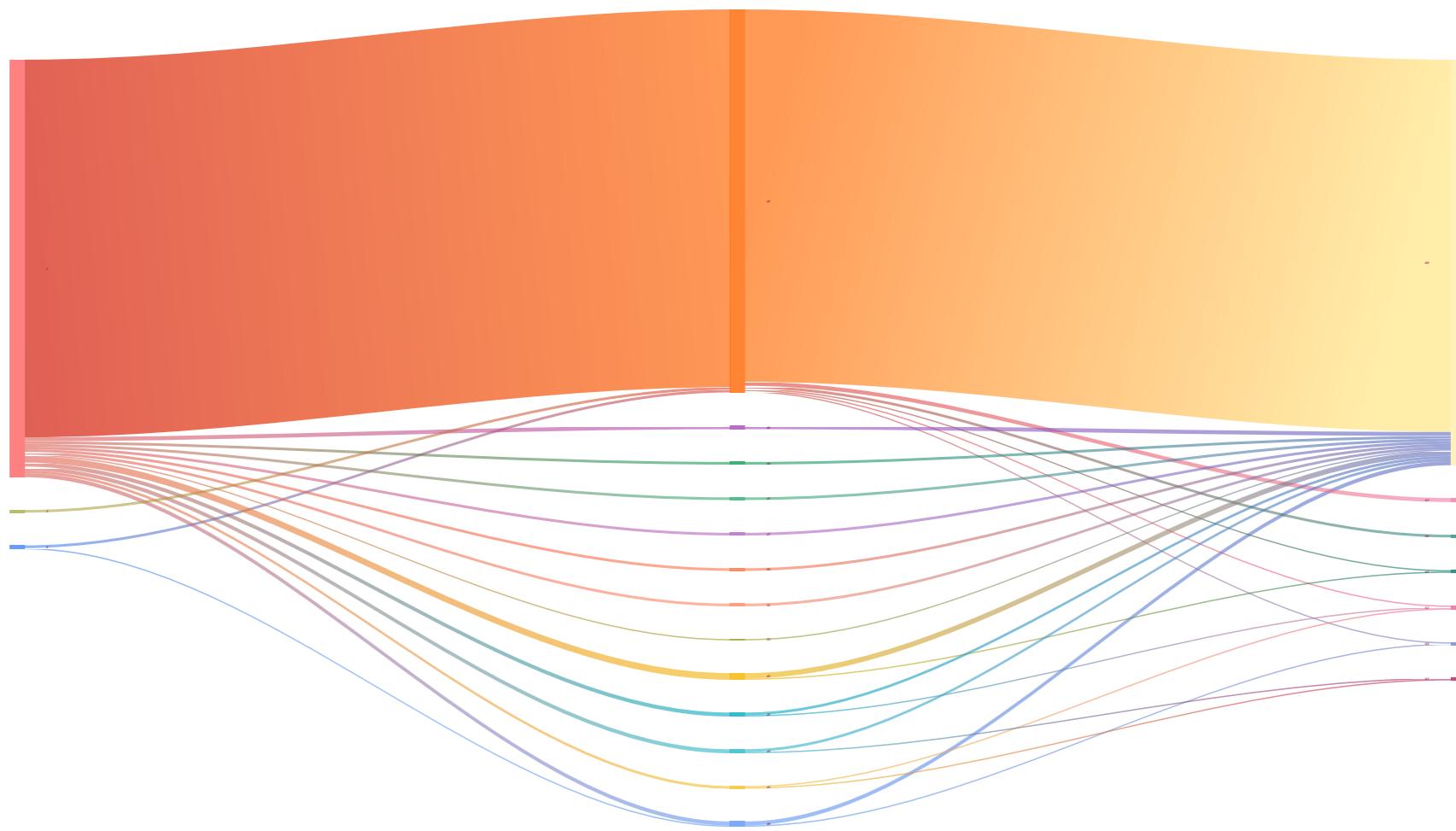
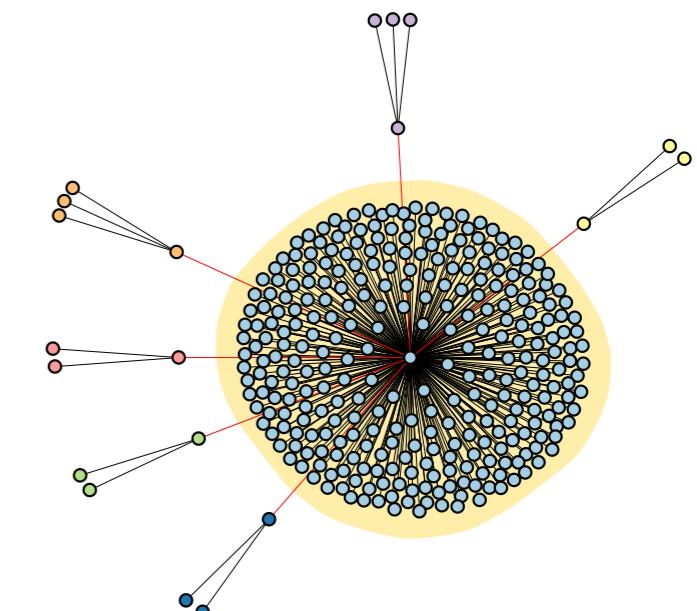
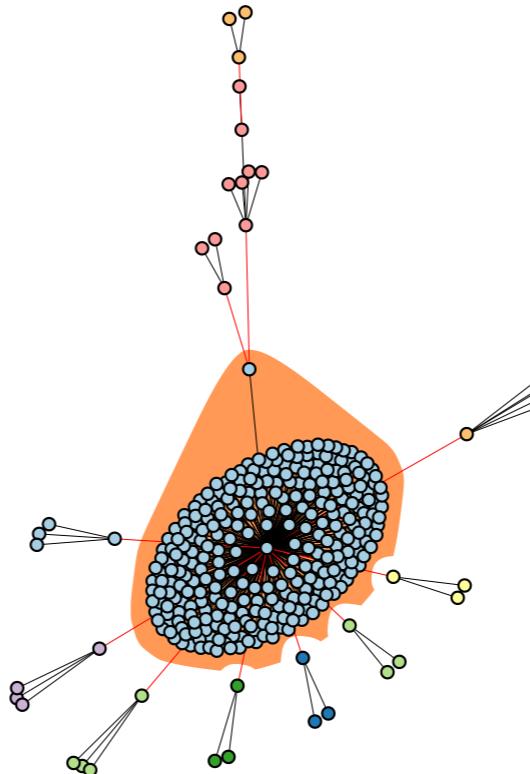
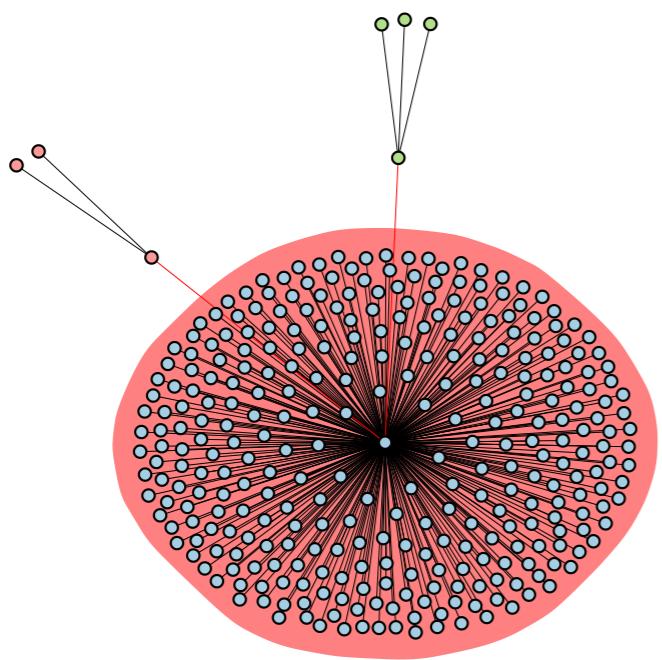


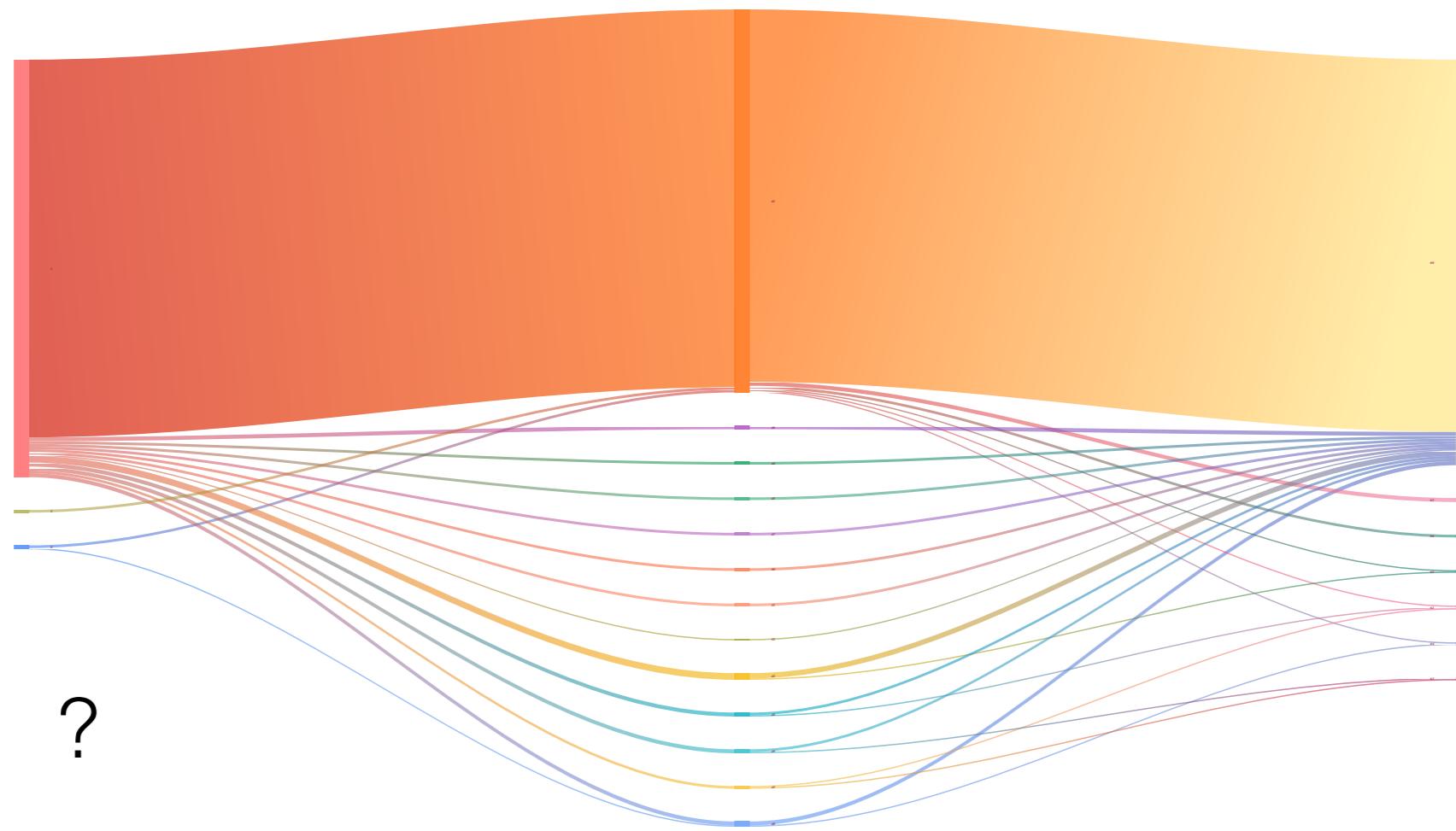
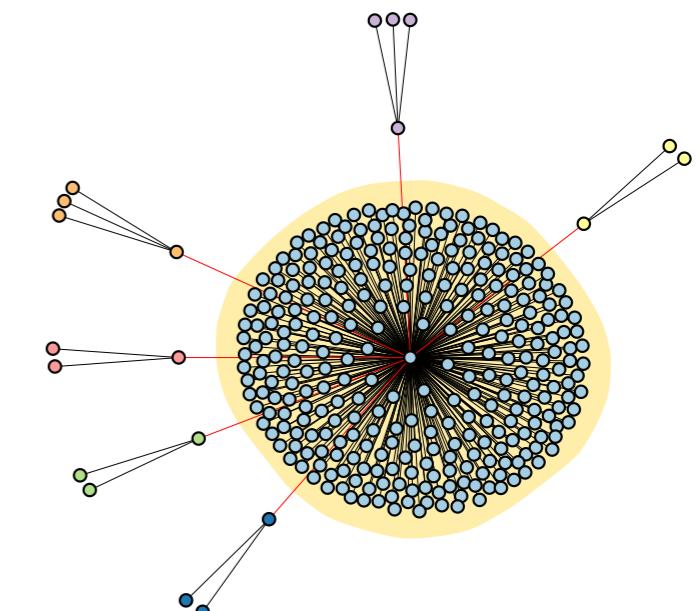
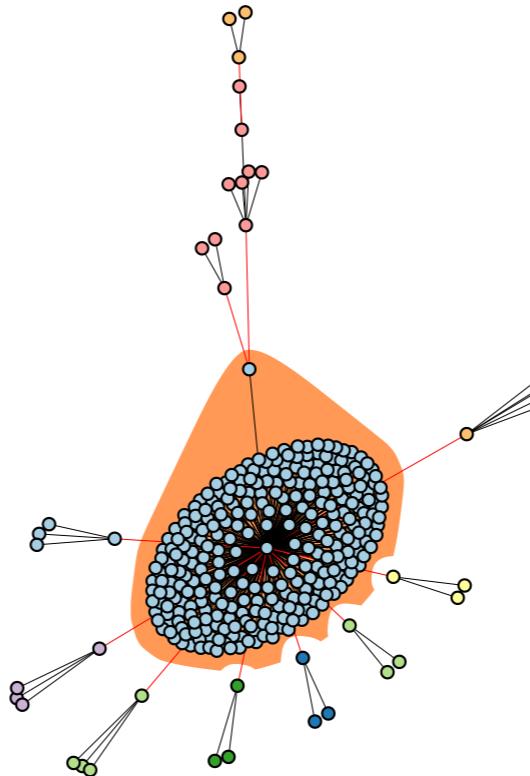
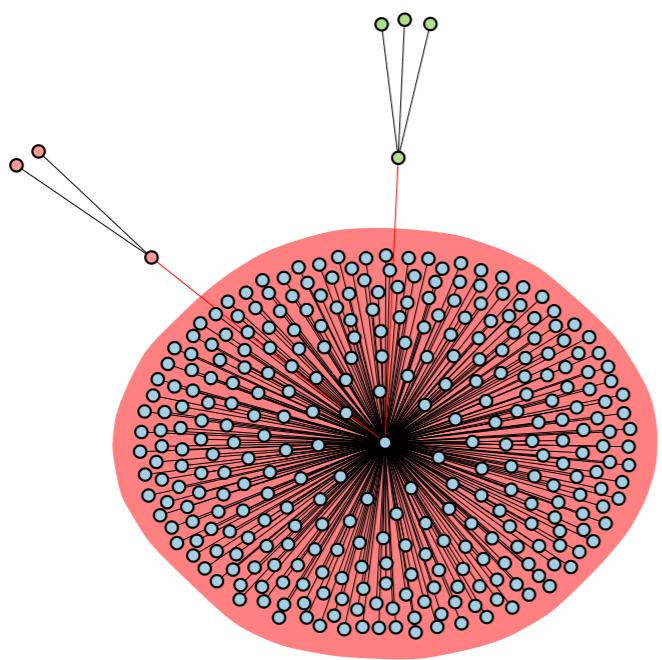
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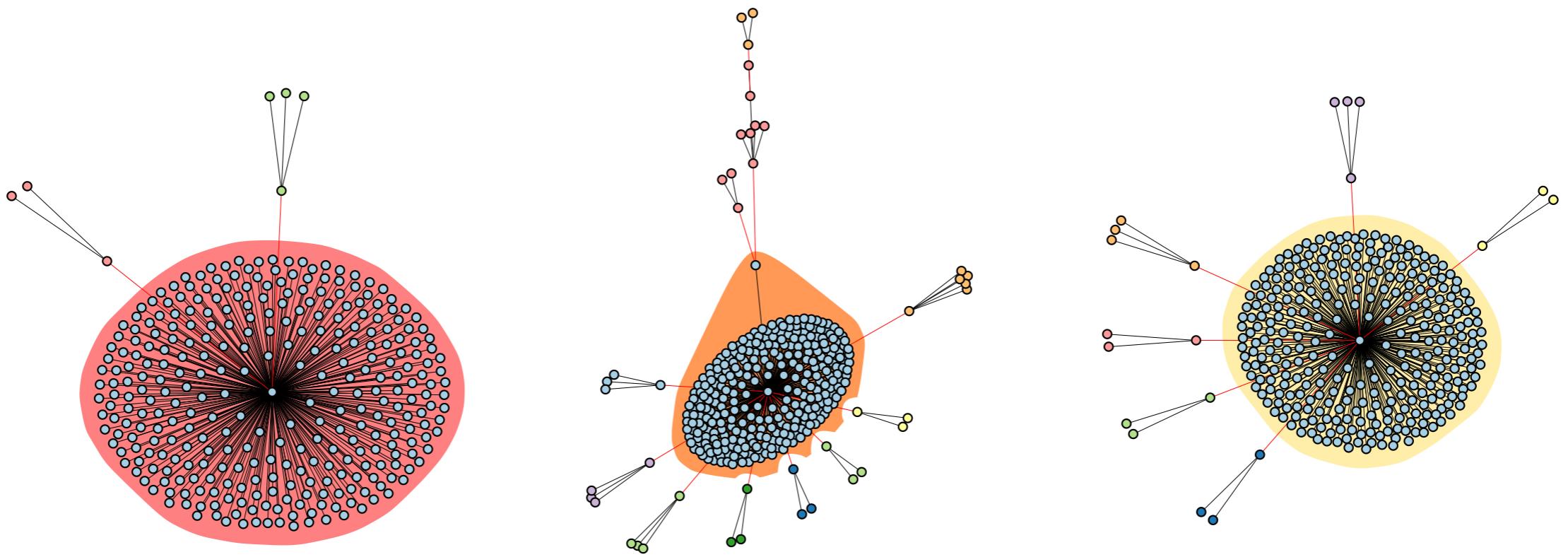
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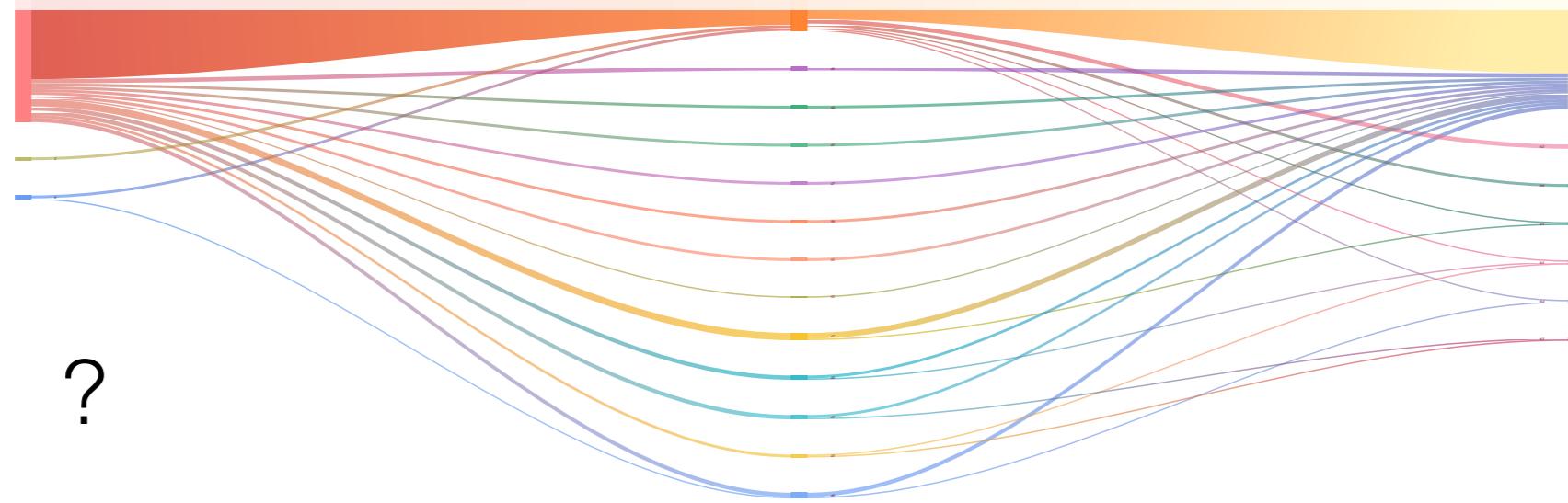




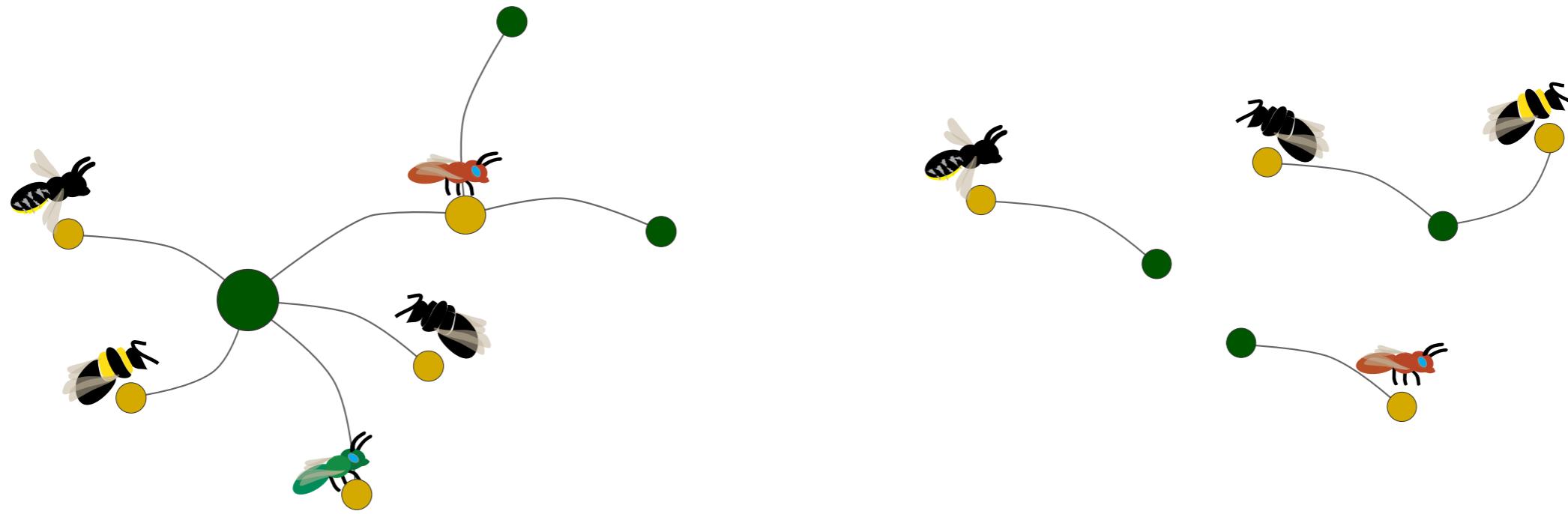


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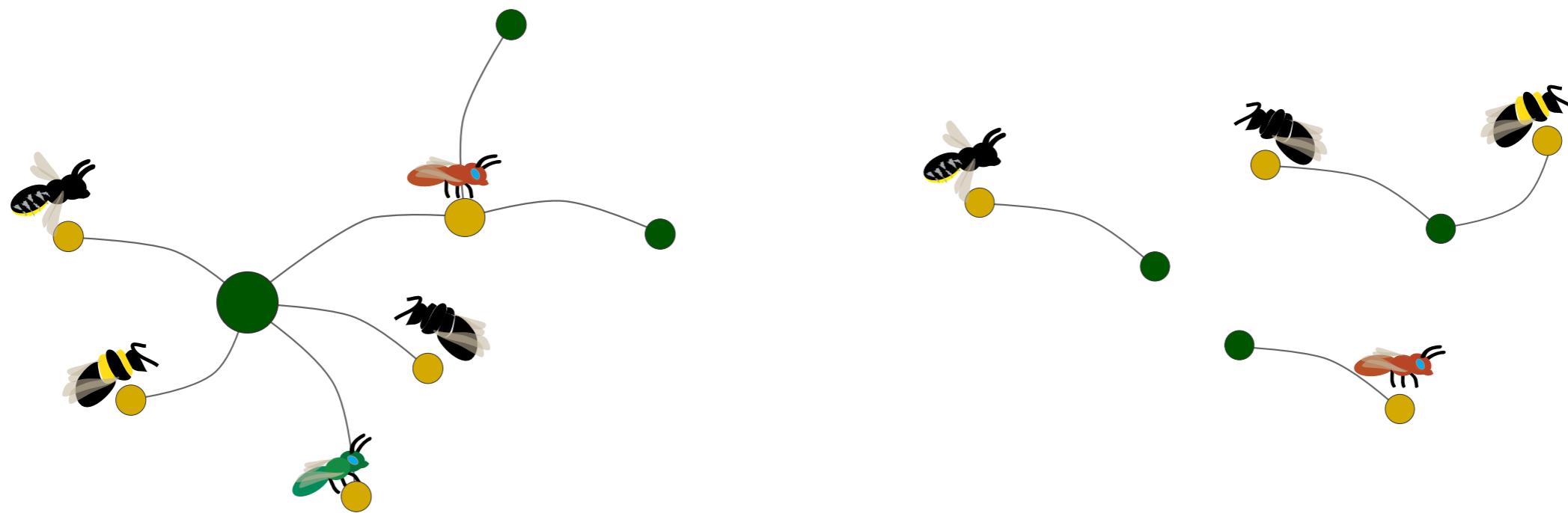
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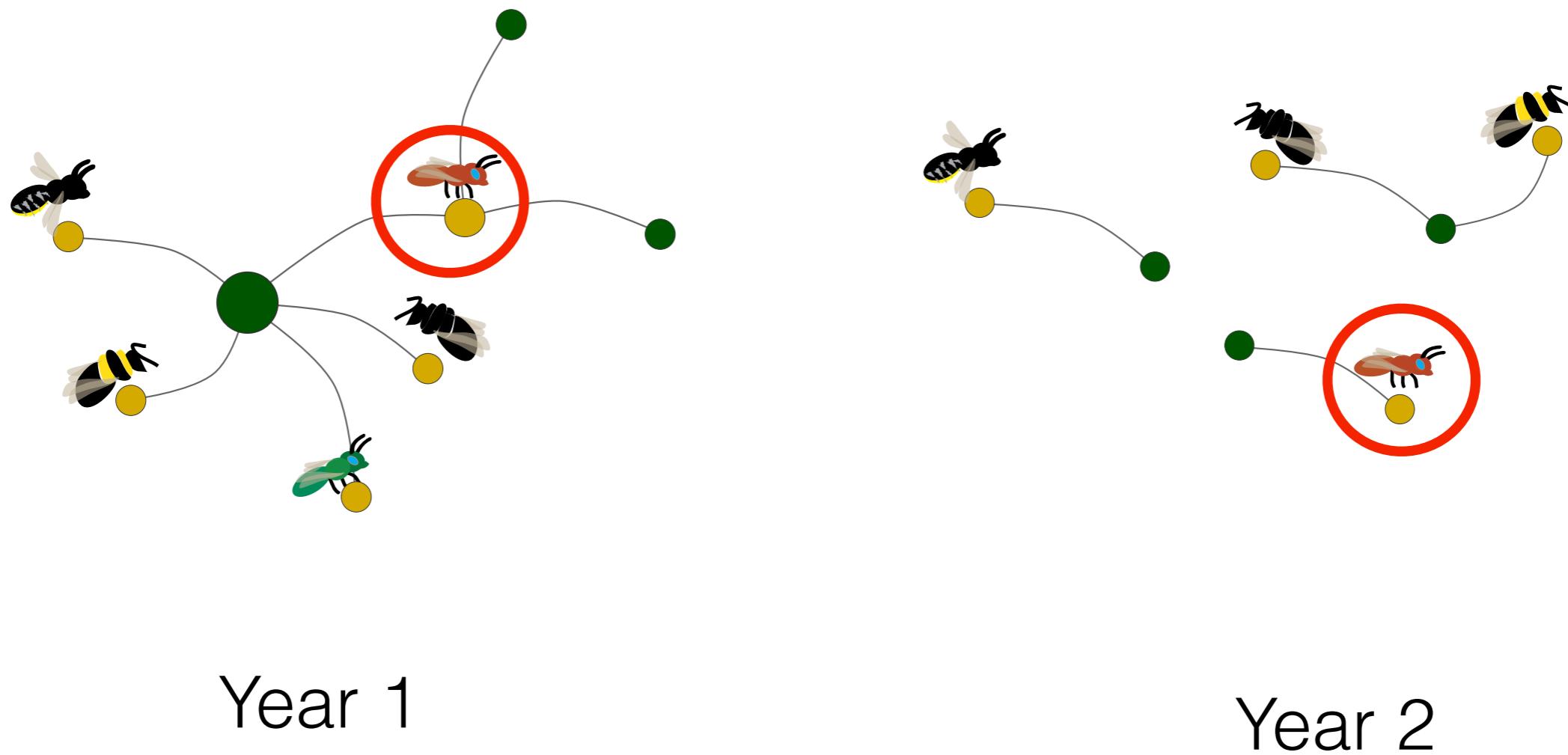
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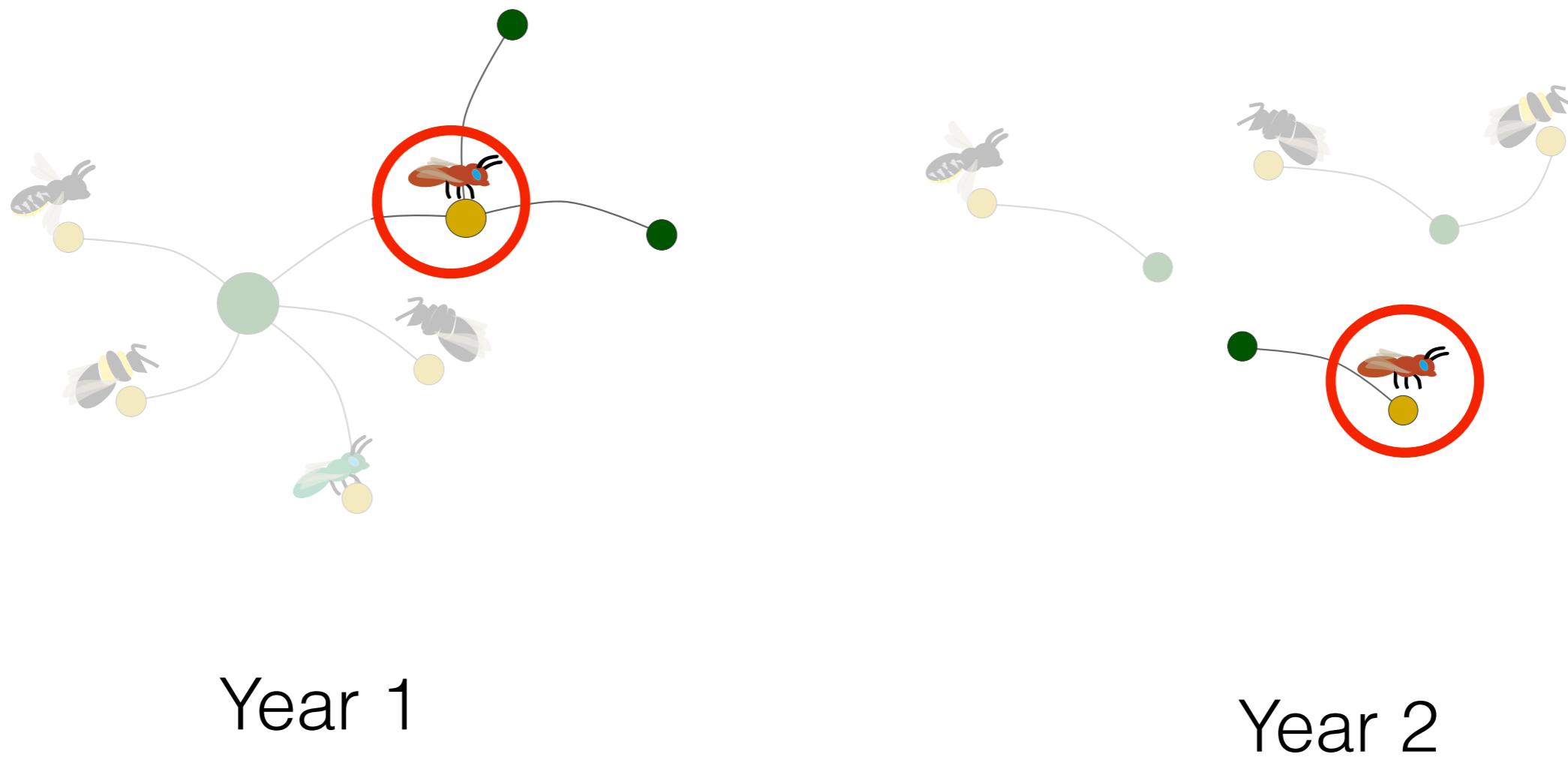
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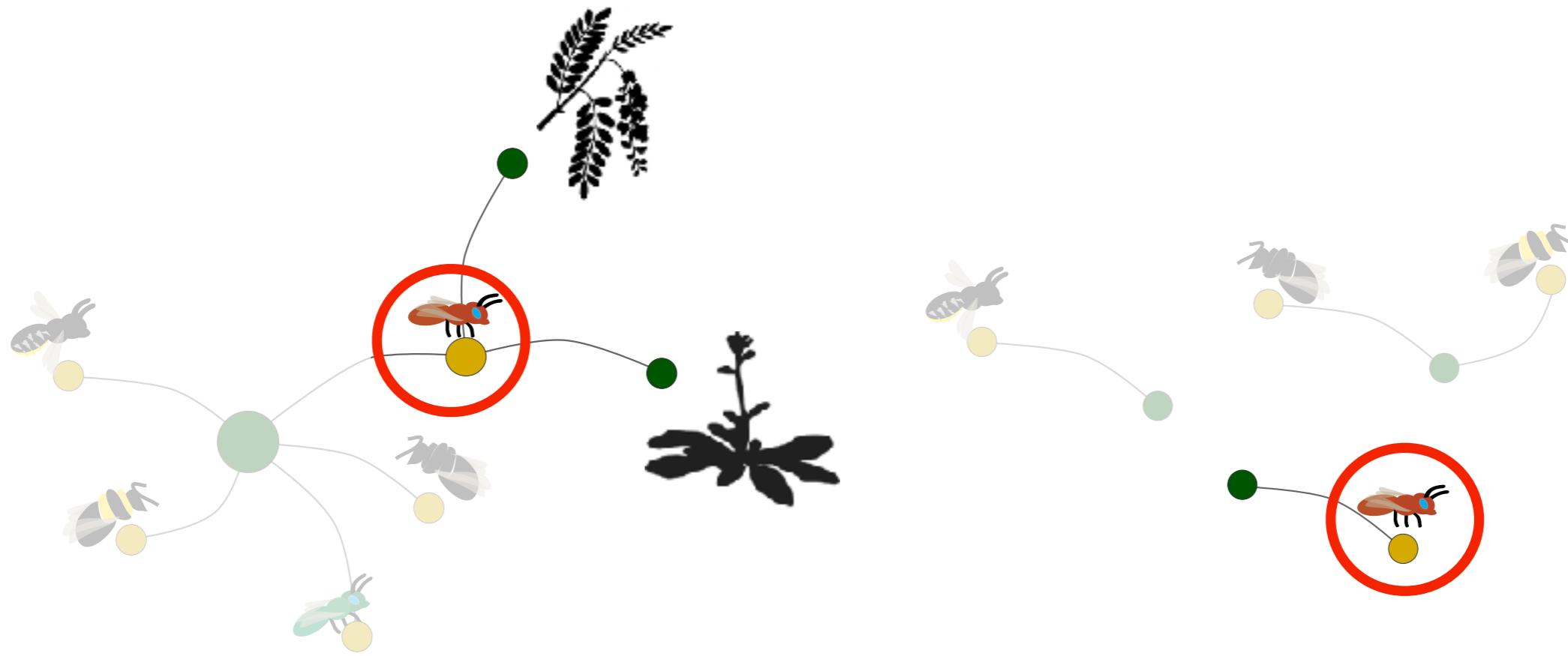
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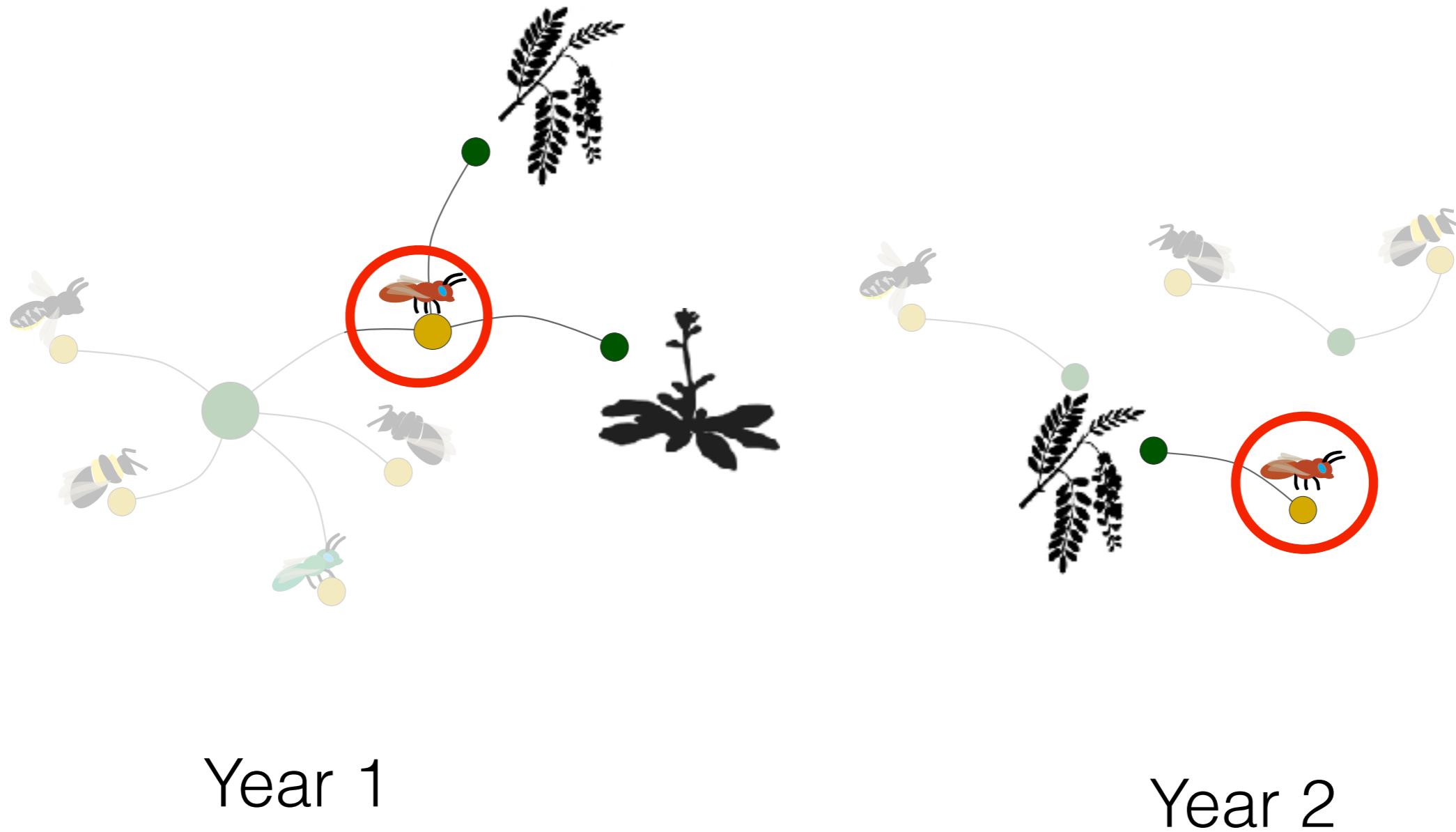
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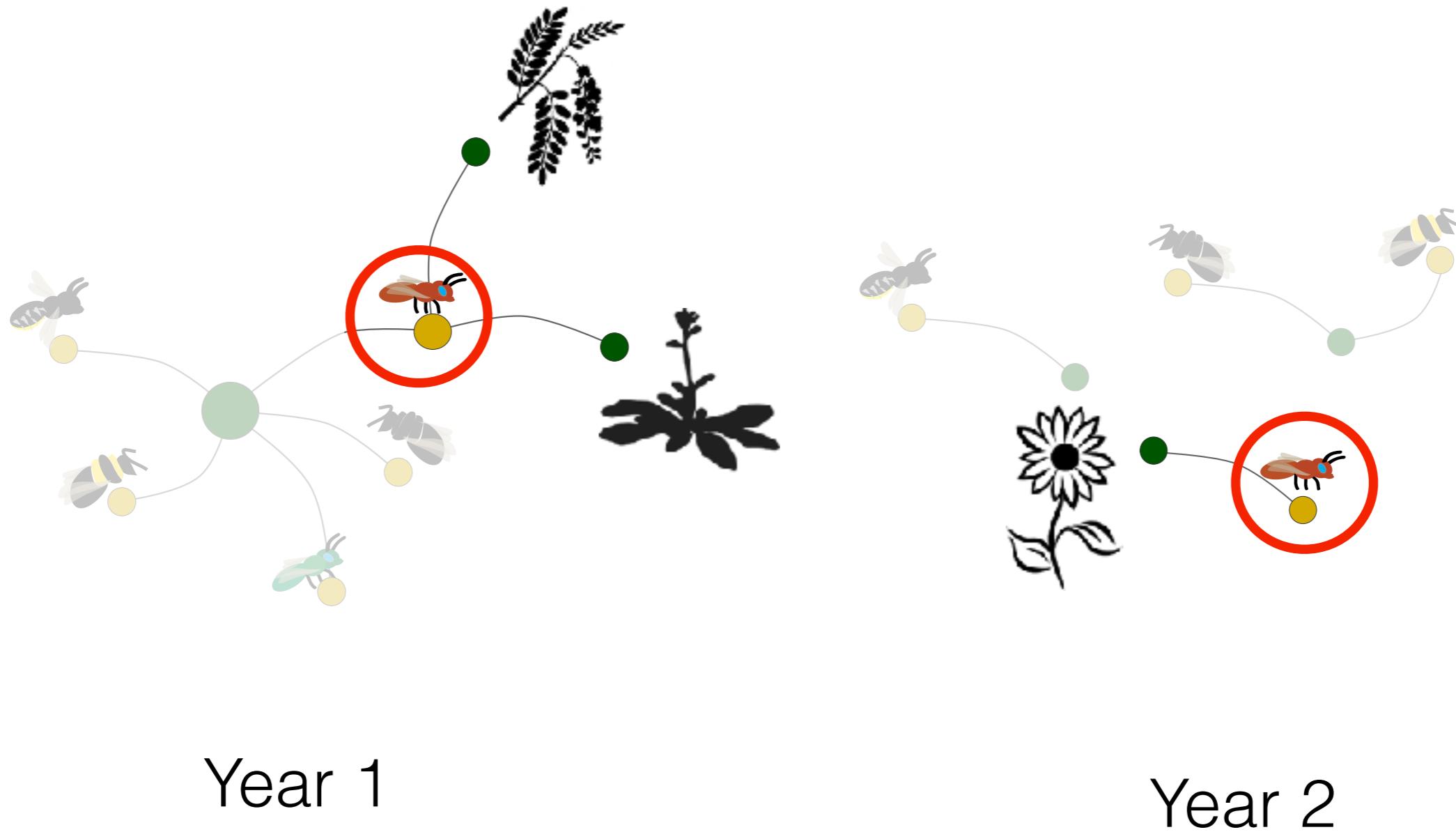
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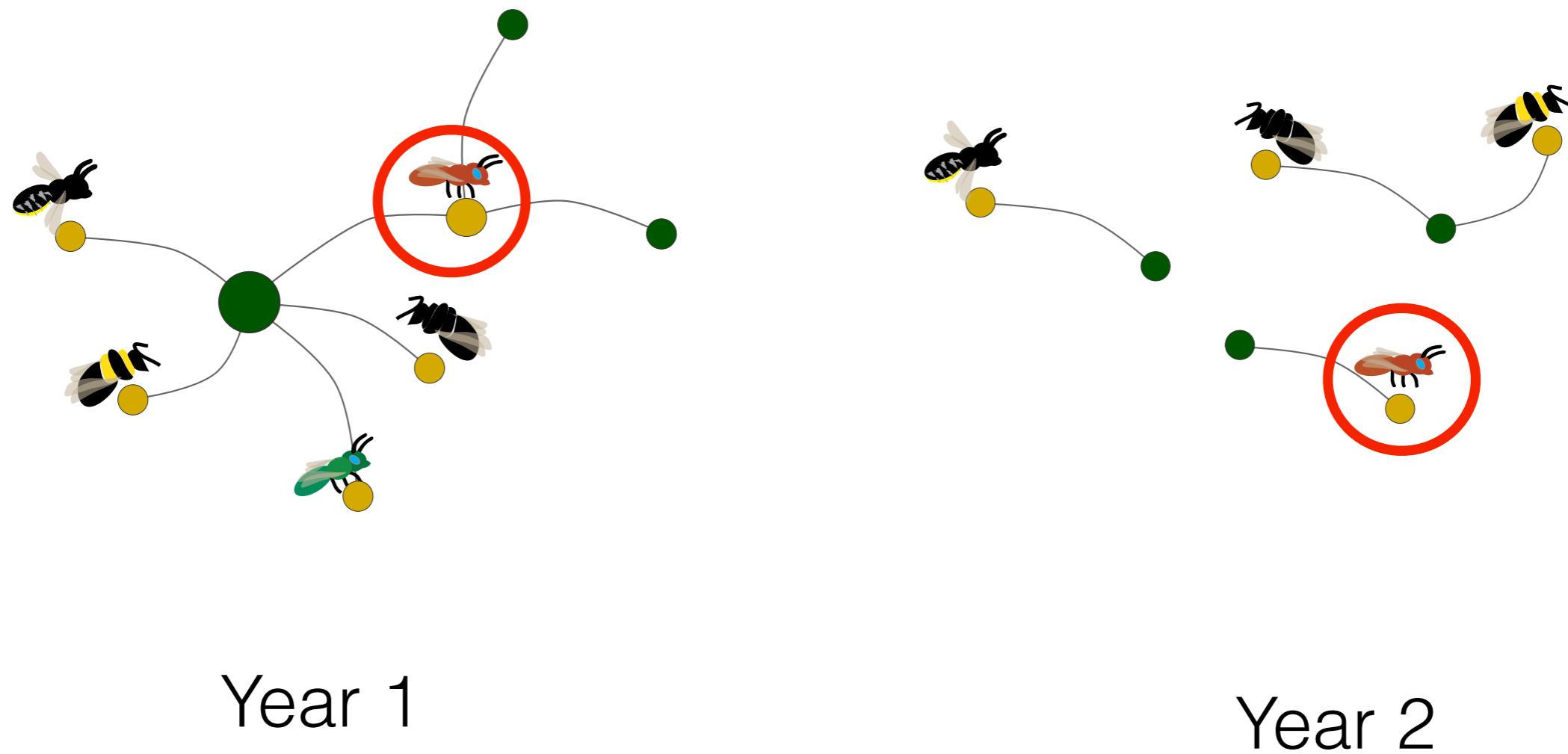
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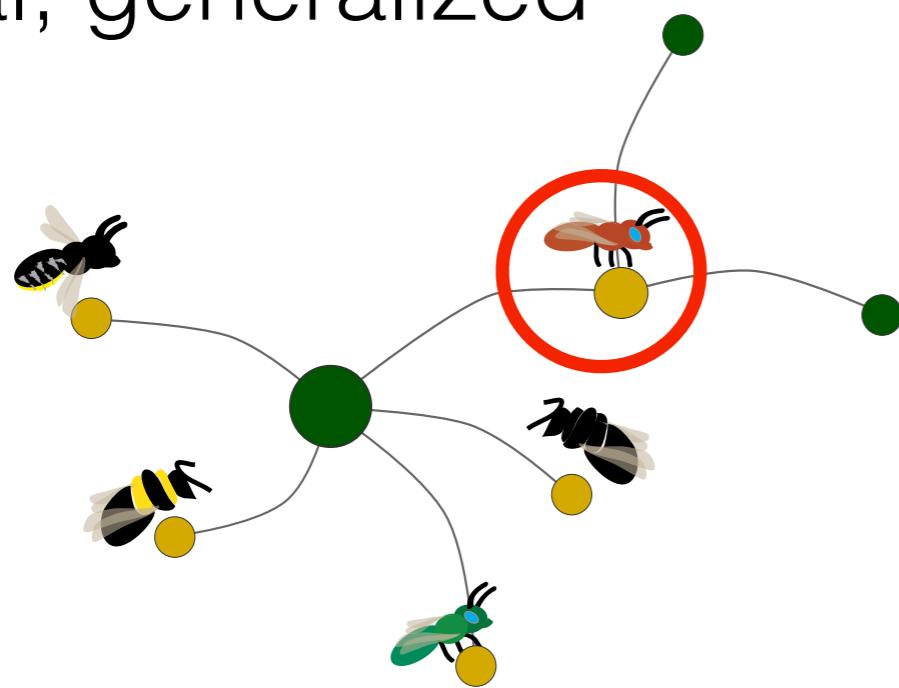


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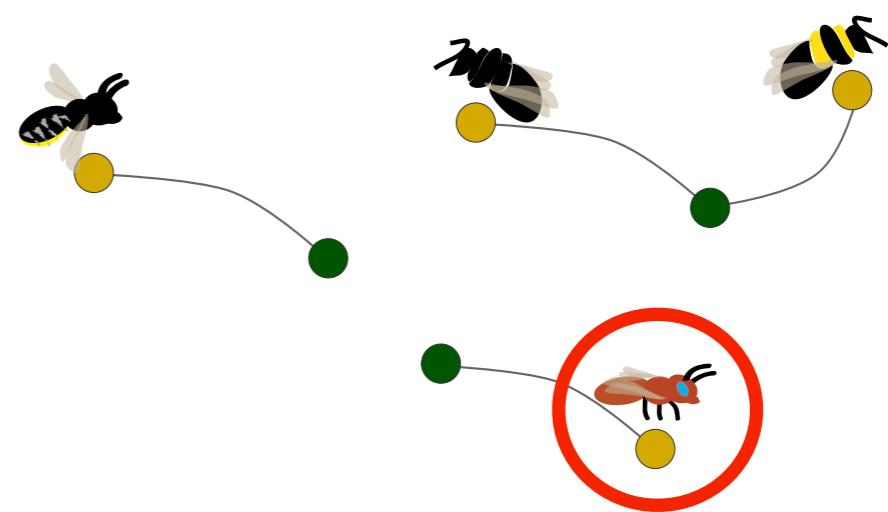


Mesoscale: what is your network role?

Central, generalized



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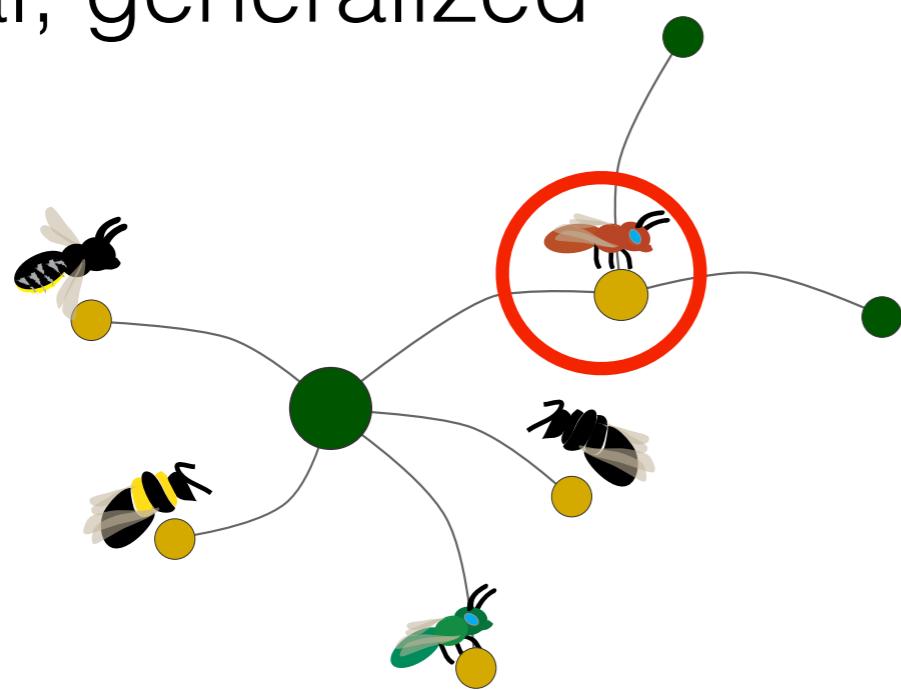


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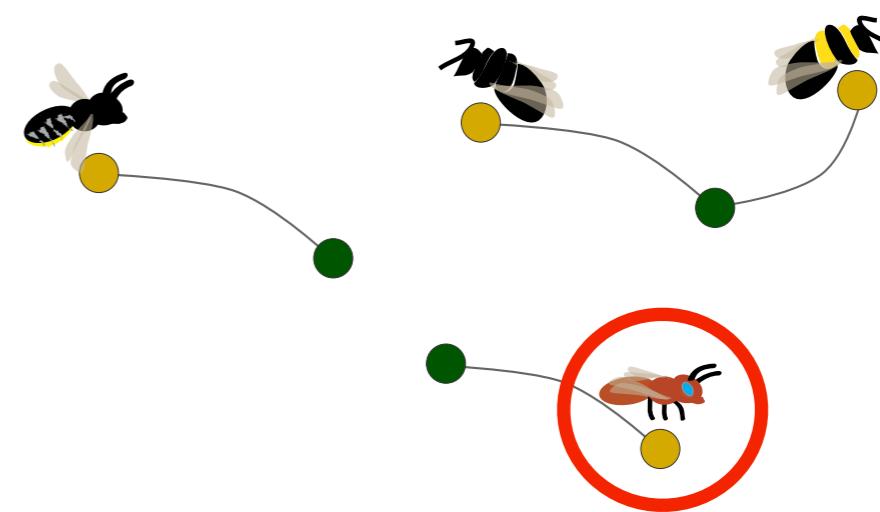
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Macroscale: what is your contribution to network organization?

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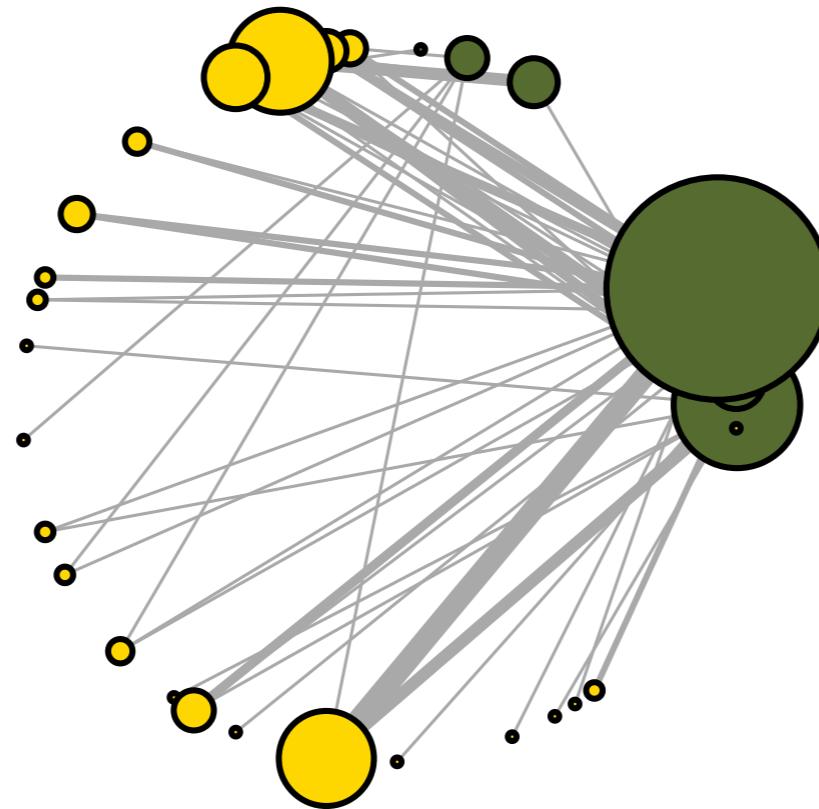
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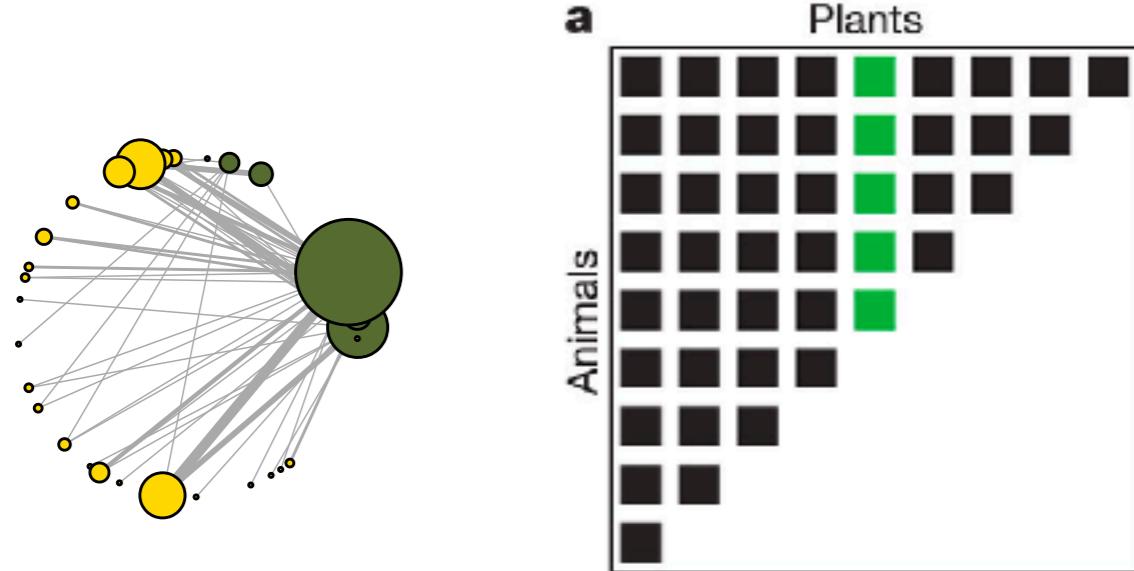
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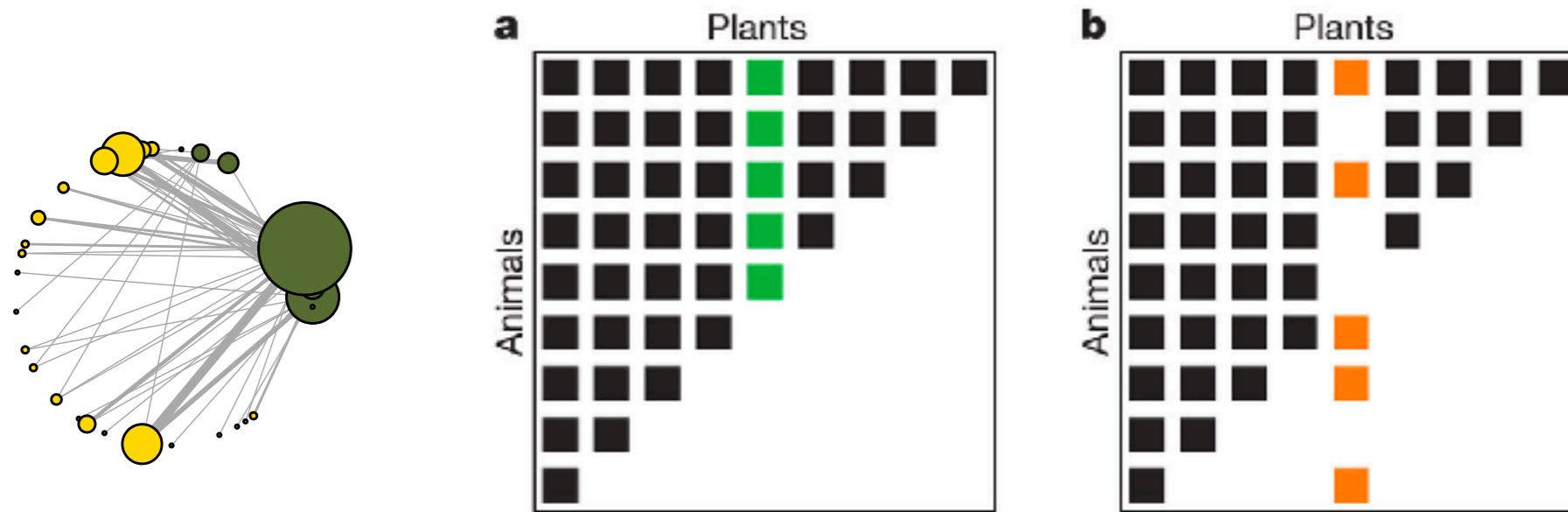
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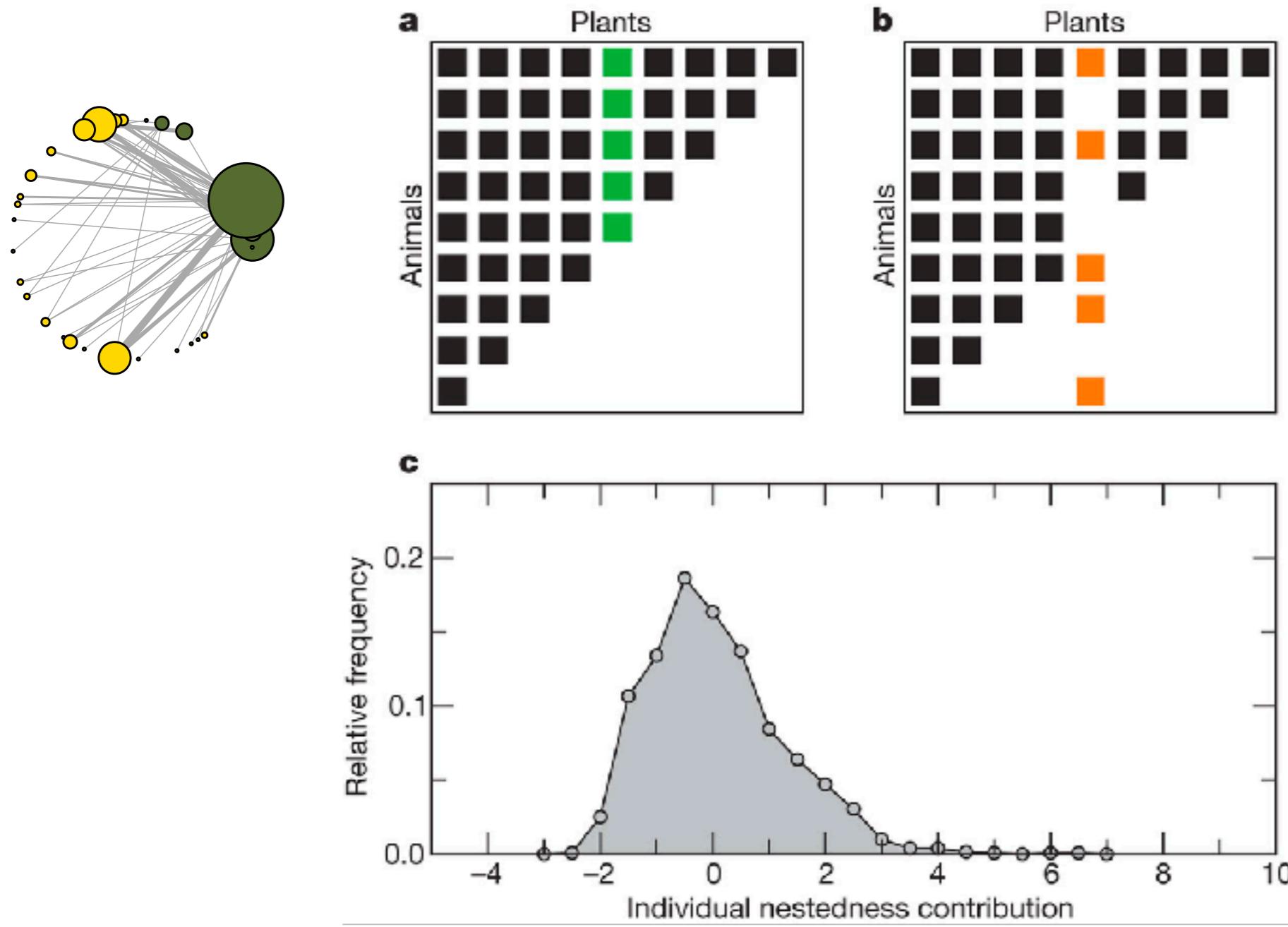
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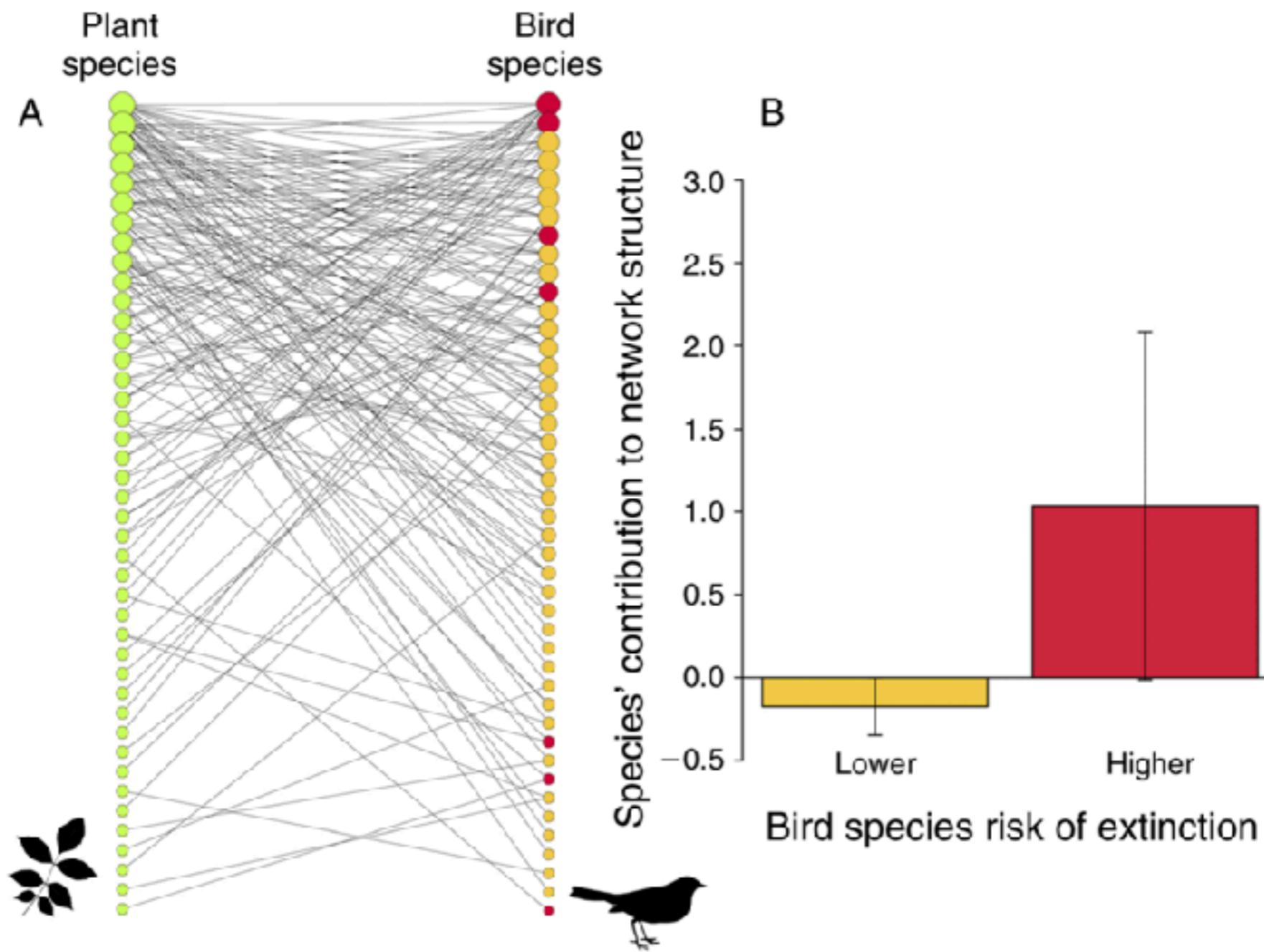
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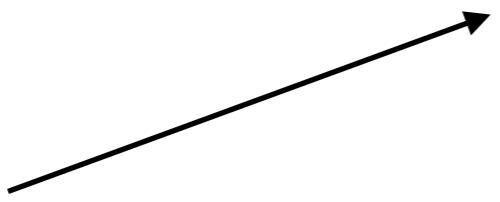
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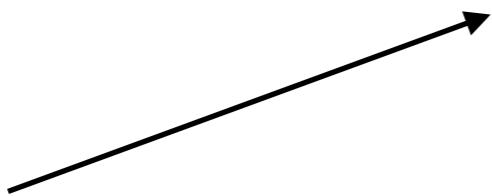
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Individuals as “samplers”

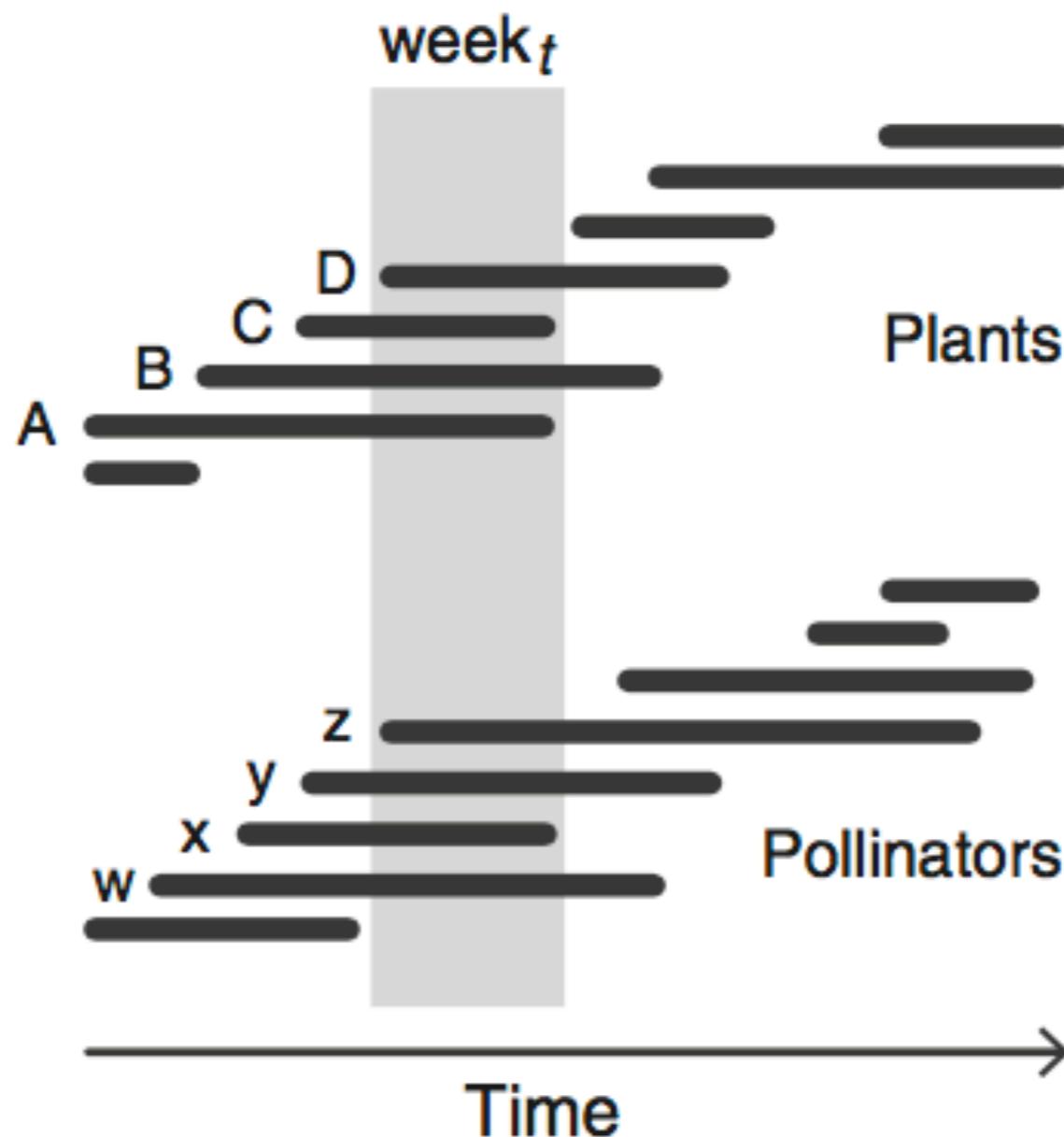


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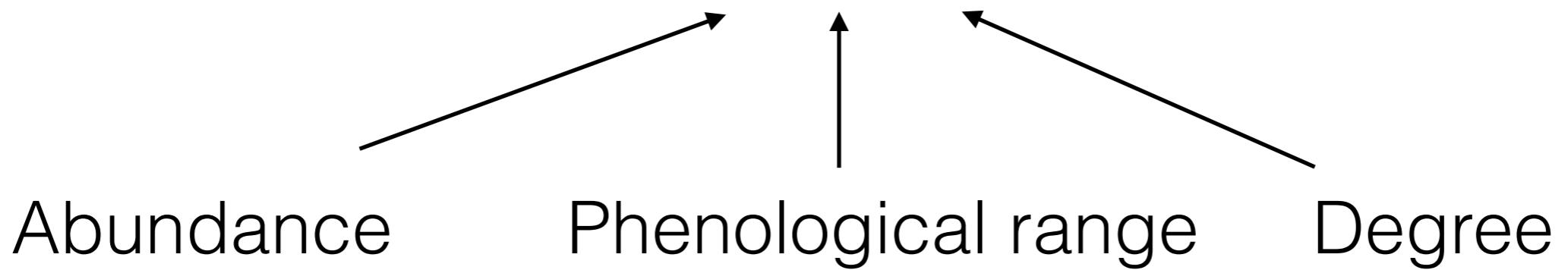
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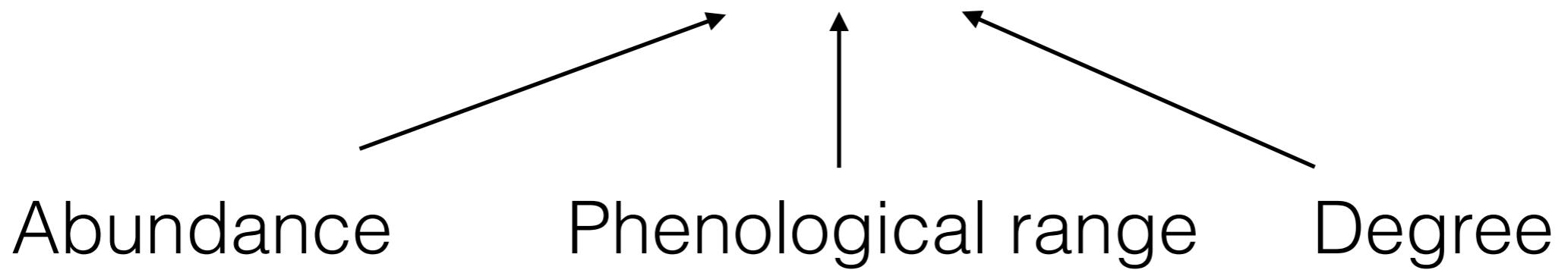


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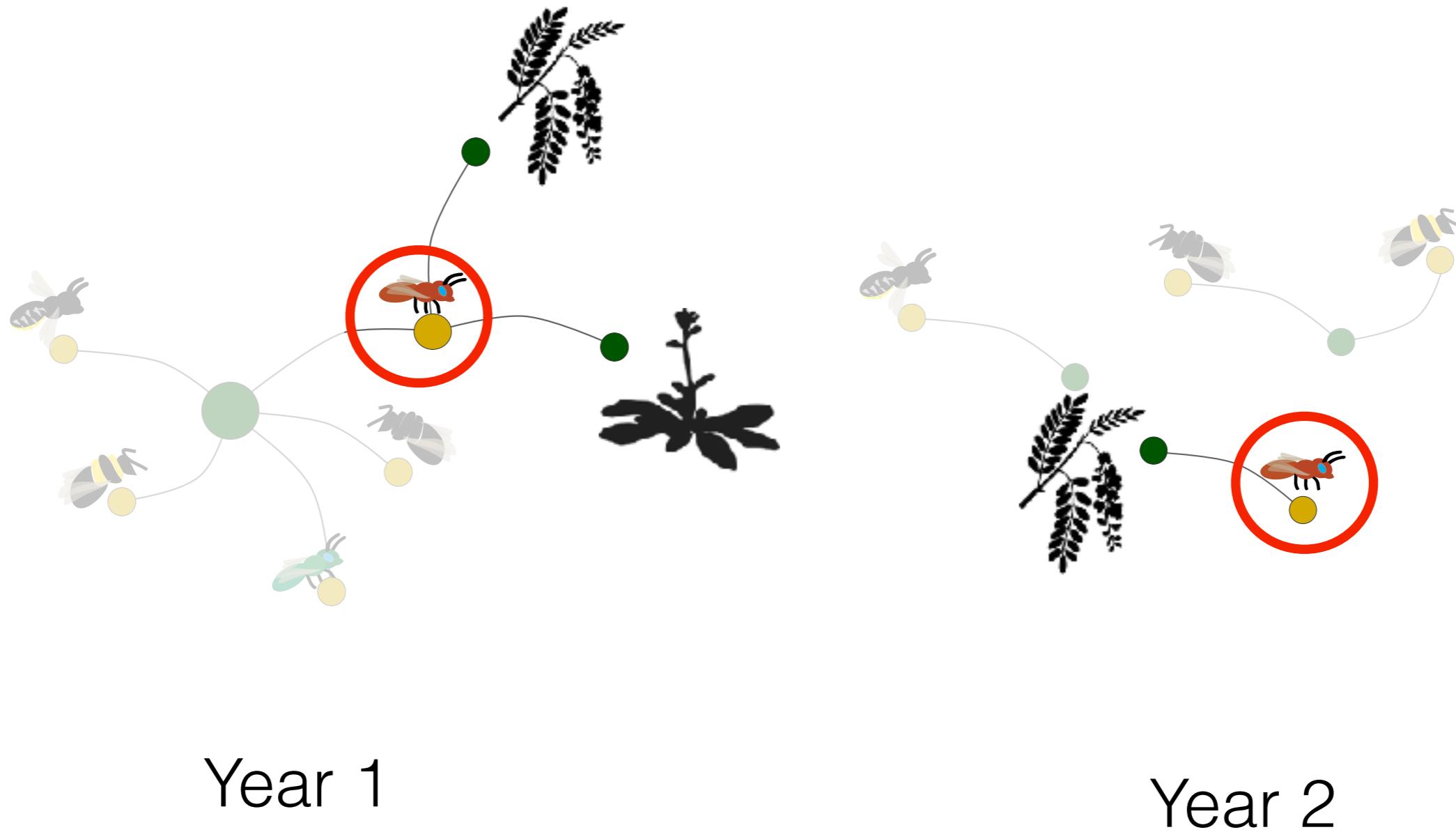




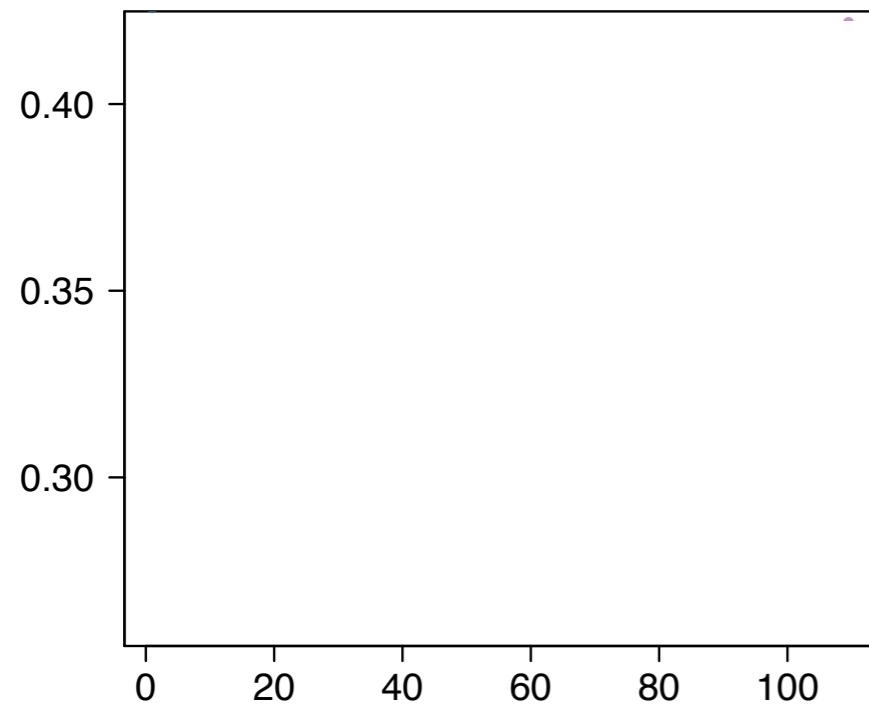
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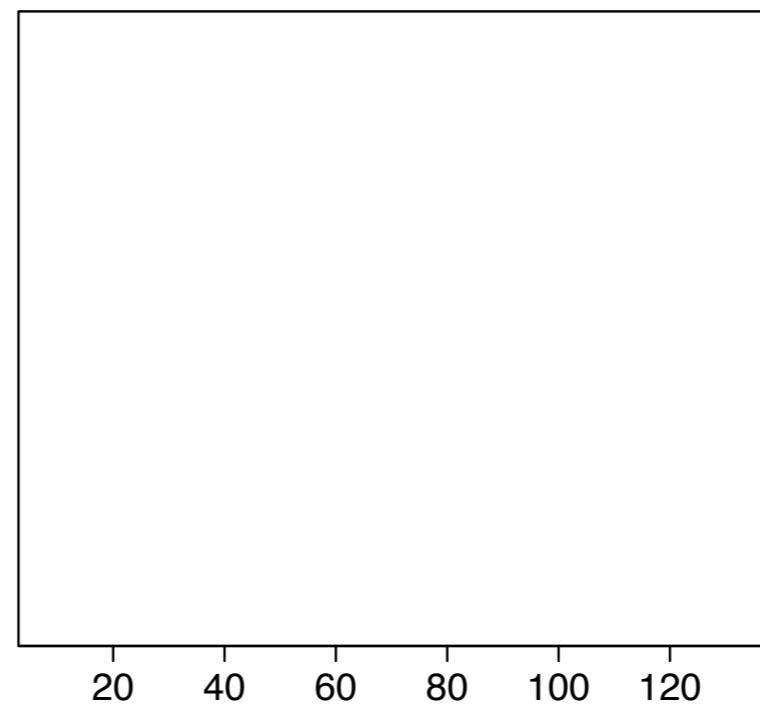
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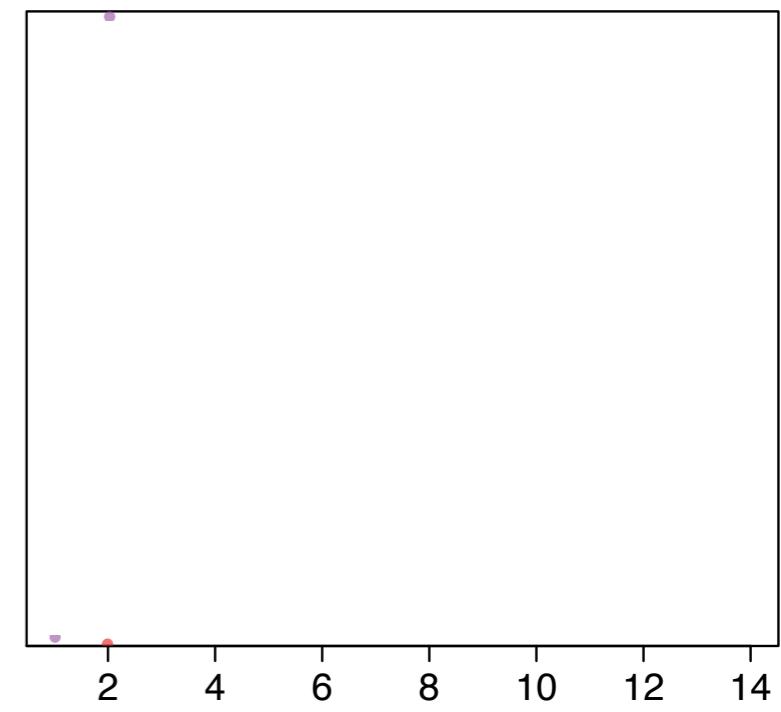
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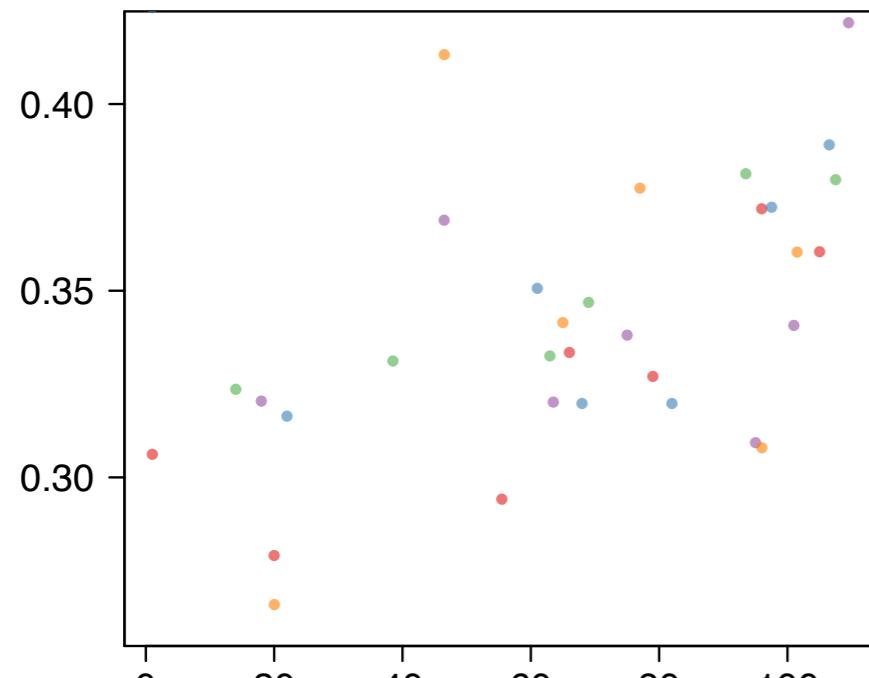


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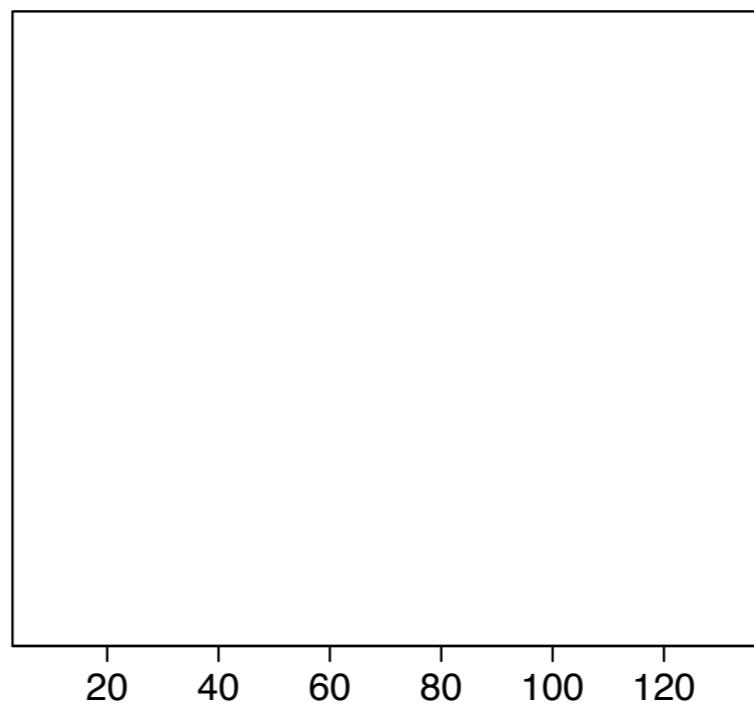


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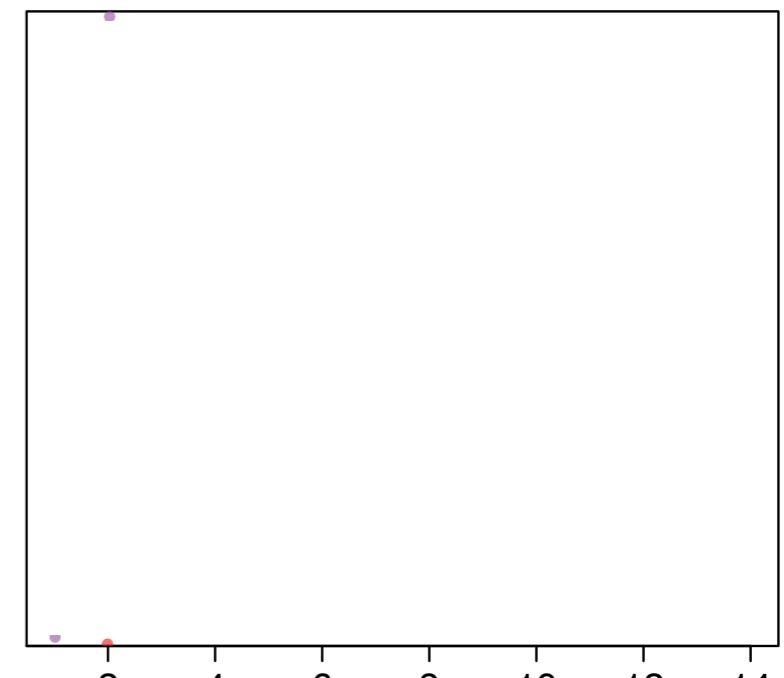
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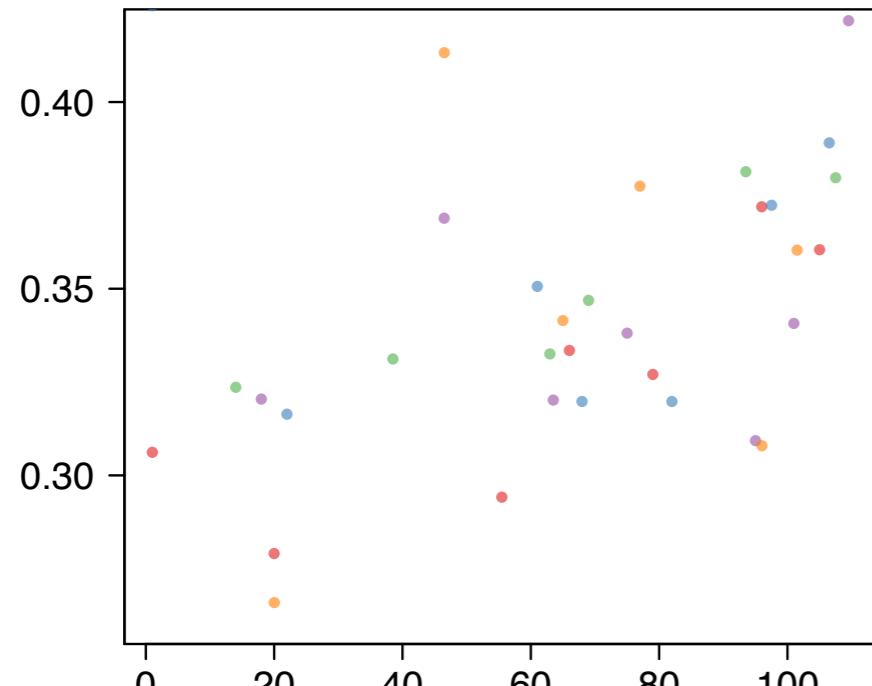


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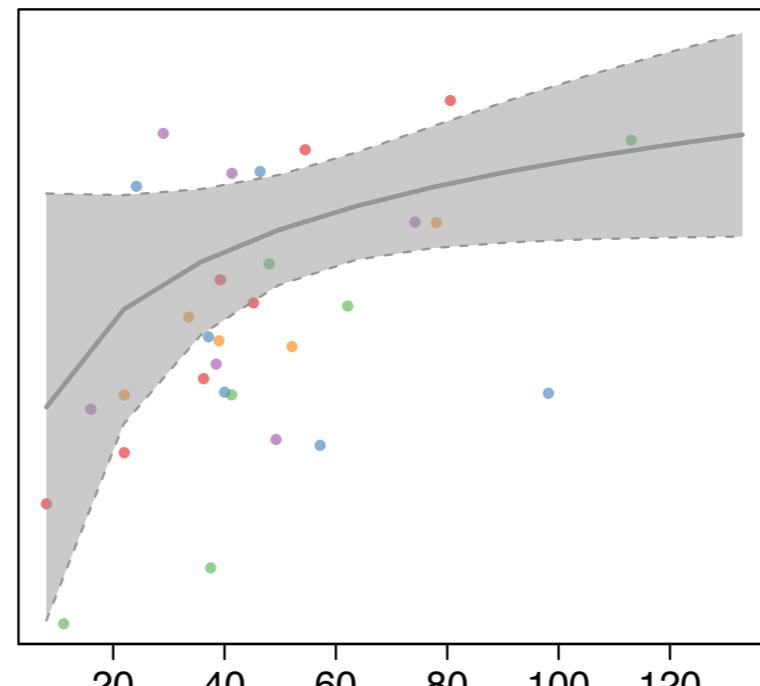


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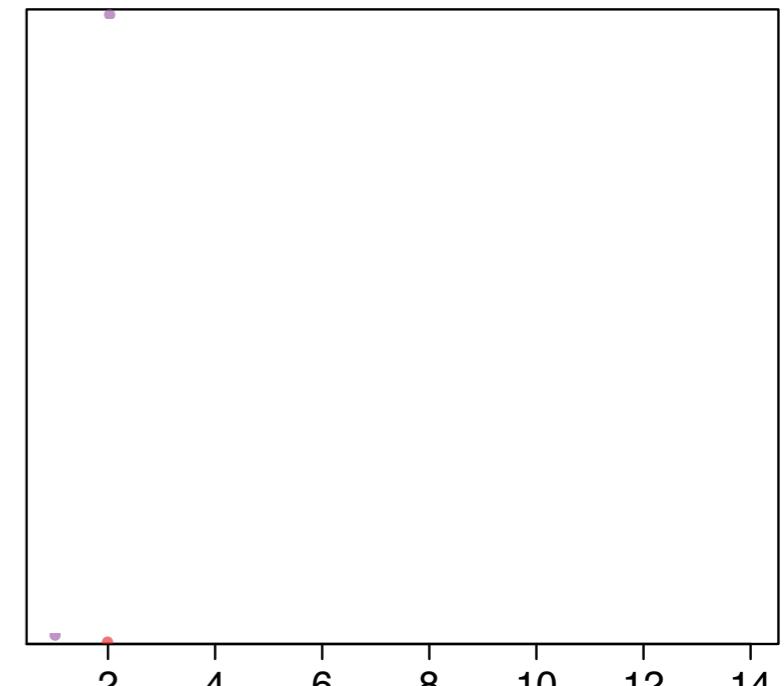
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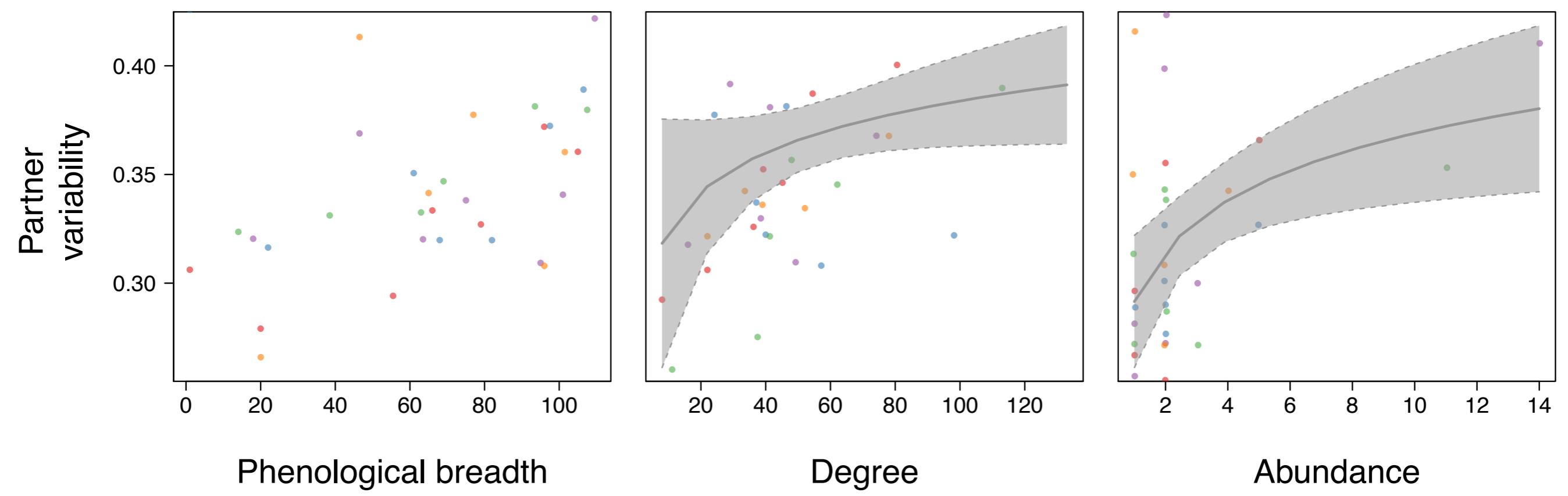
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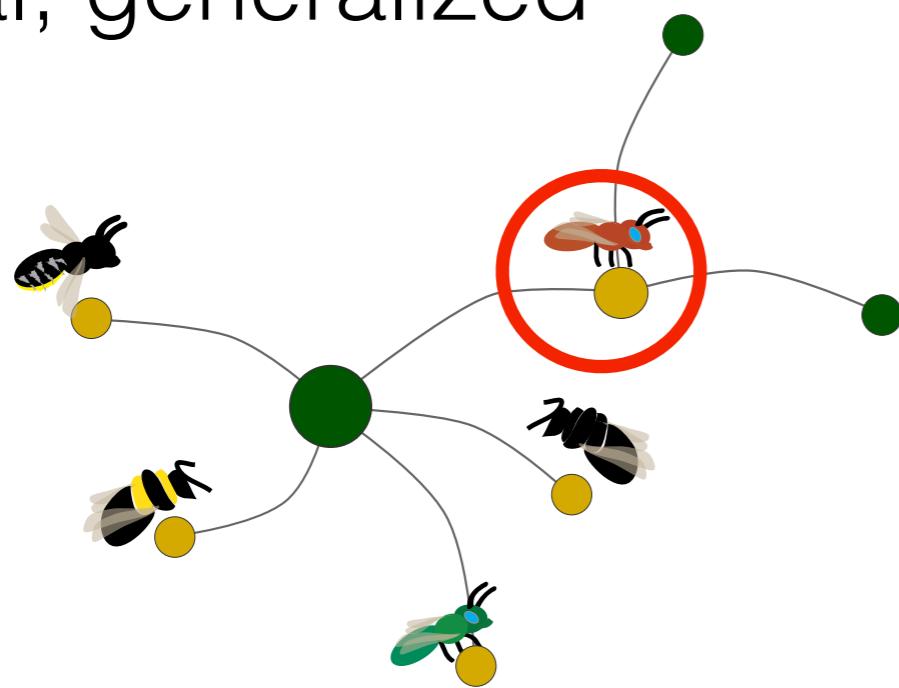


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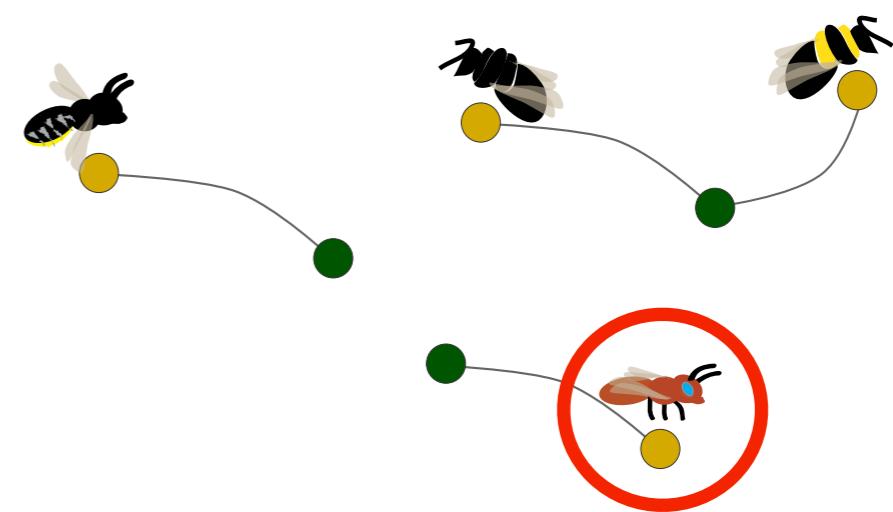


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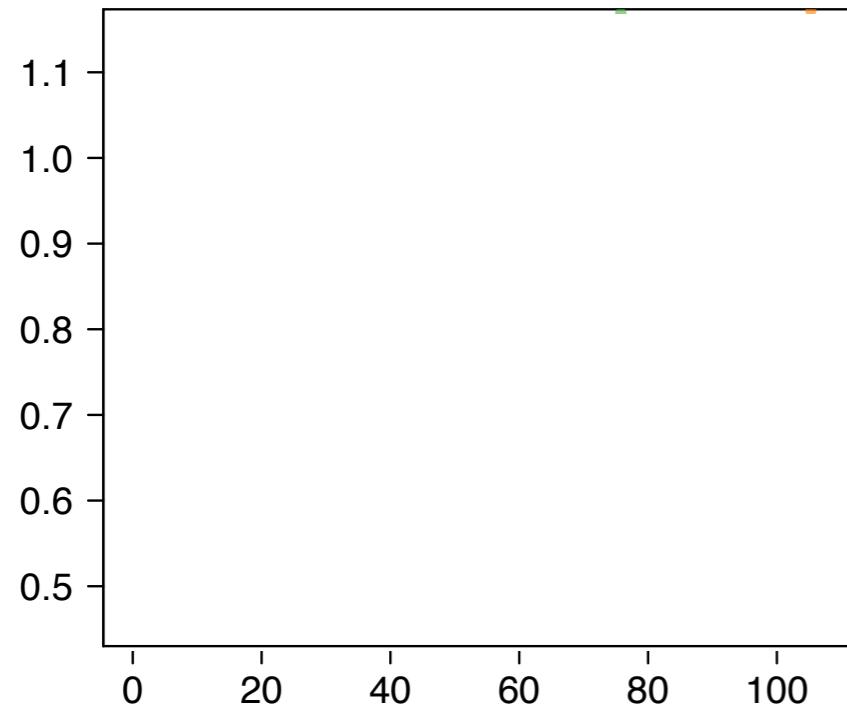
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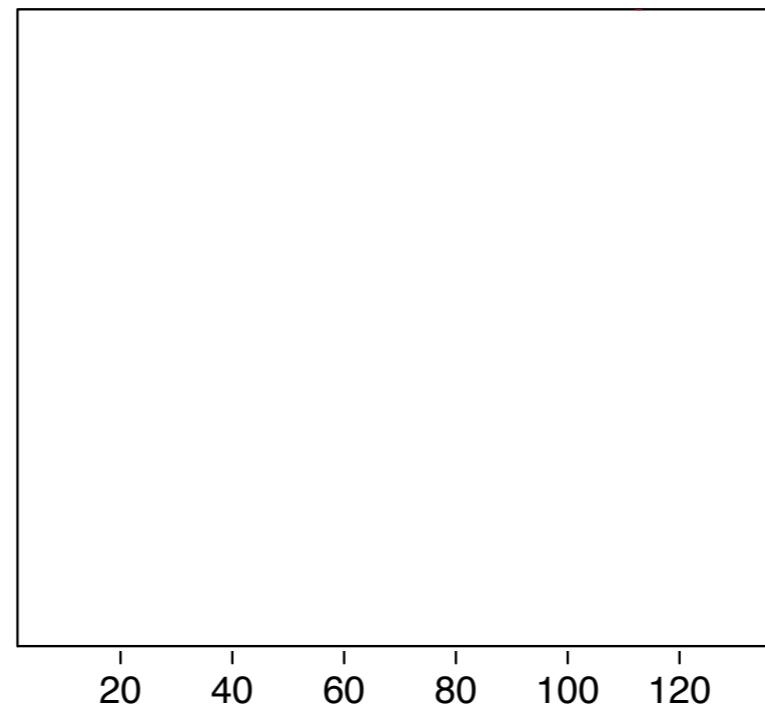
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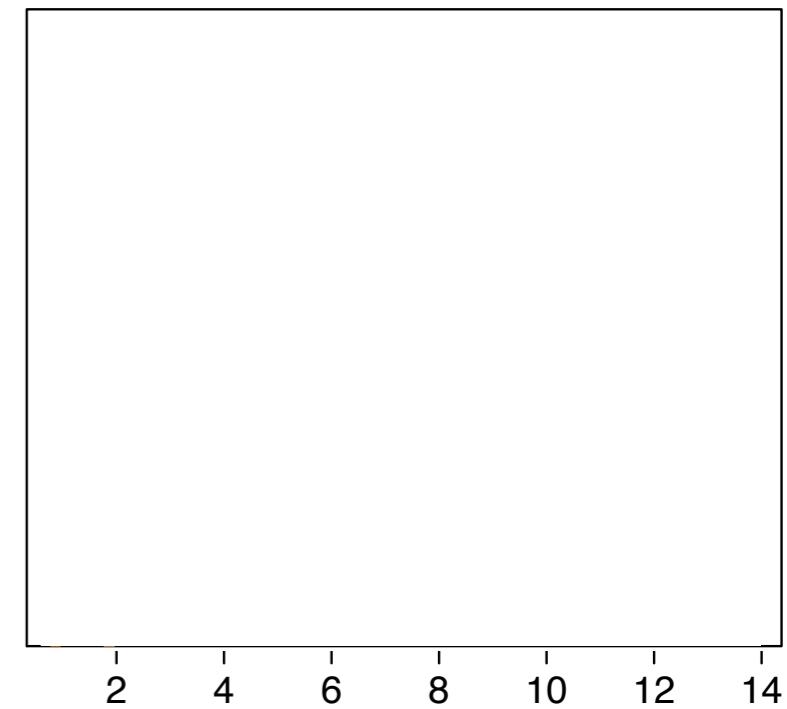
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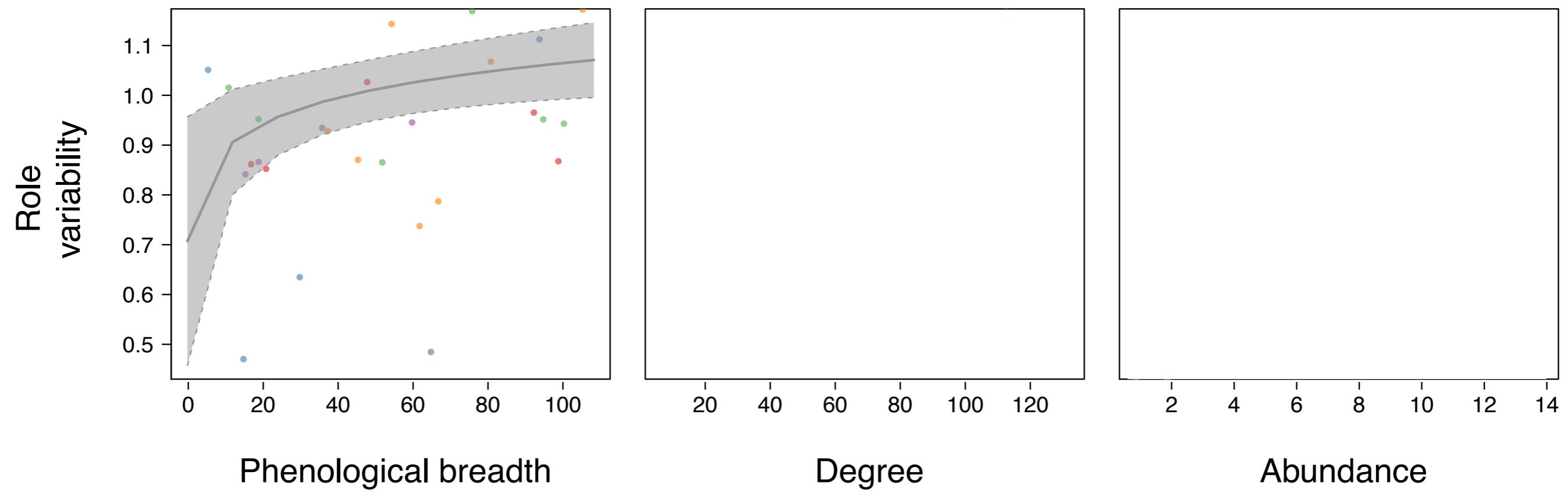
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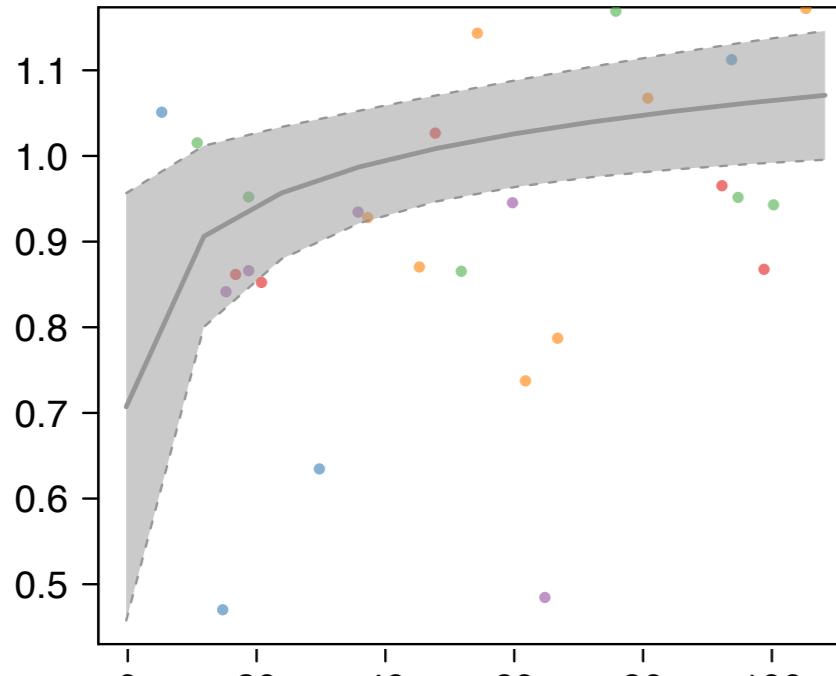
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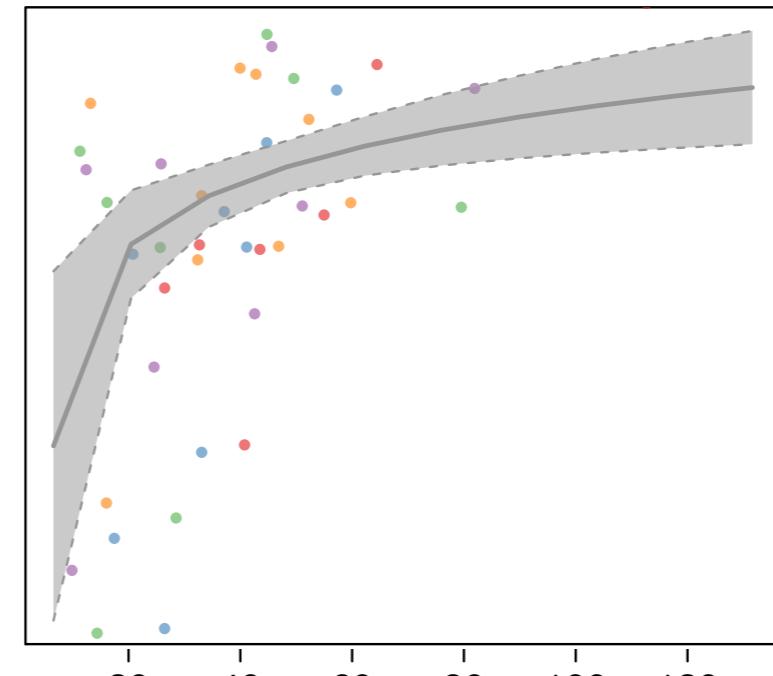
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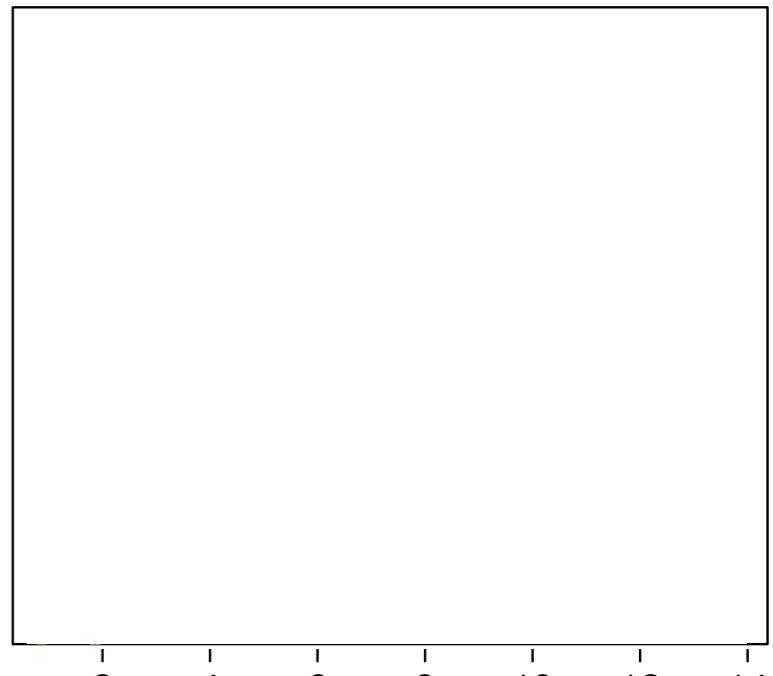
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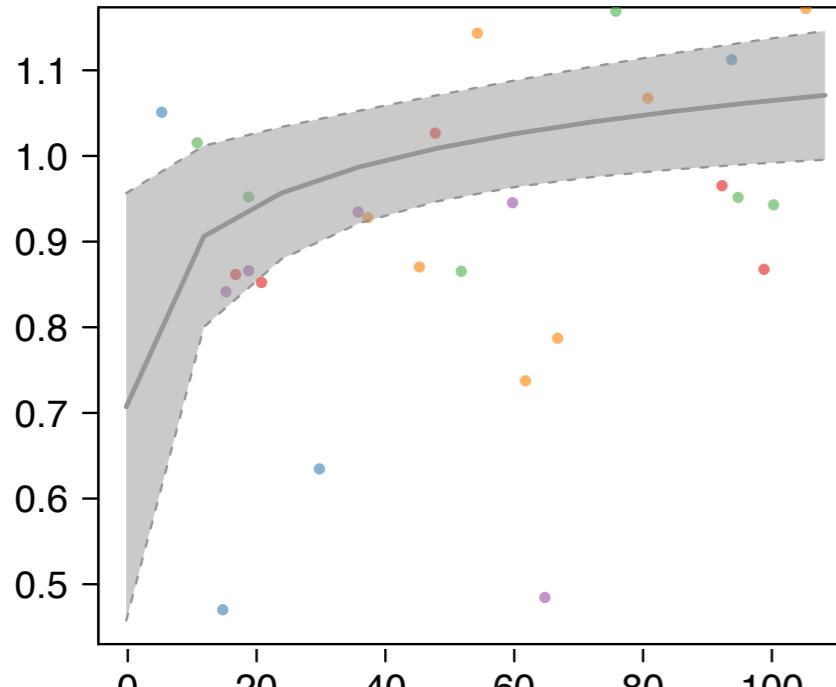


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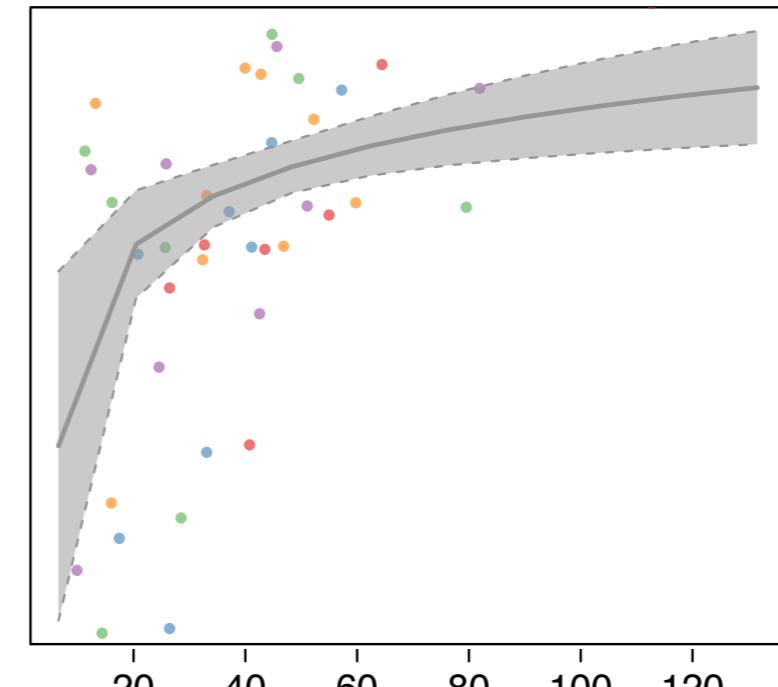


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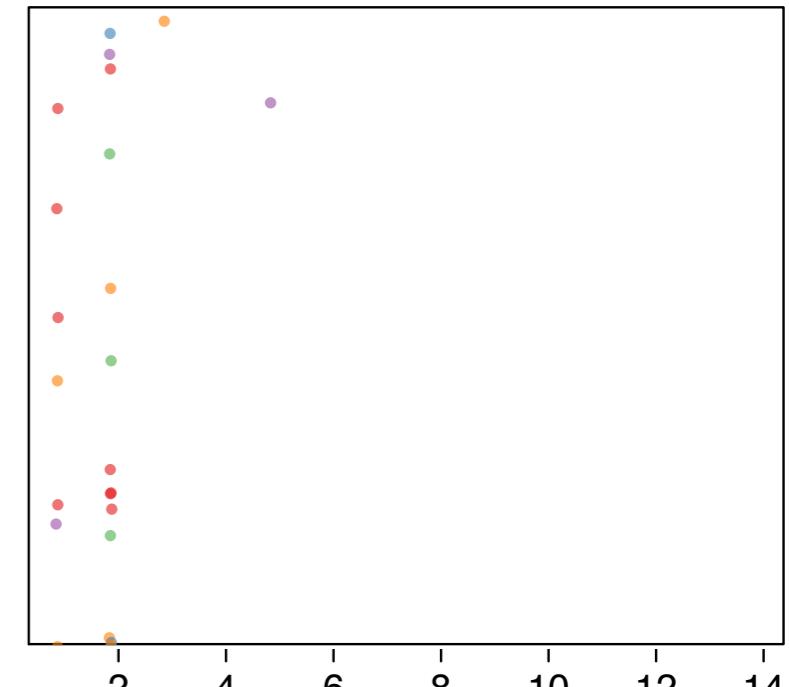
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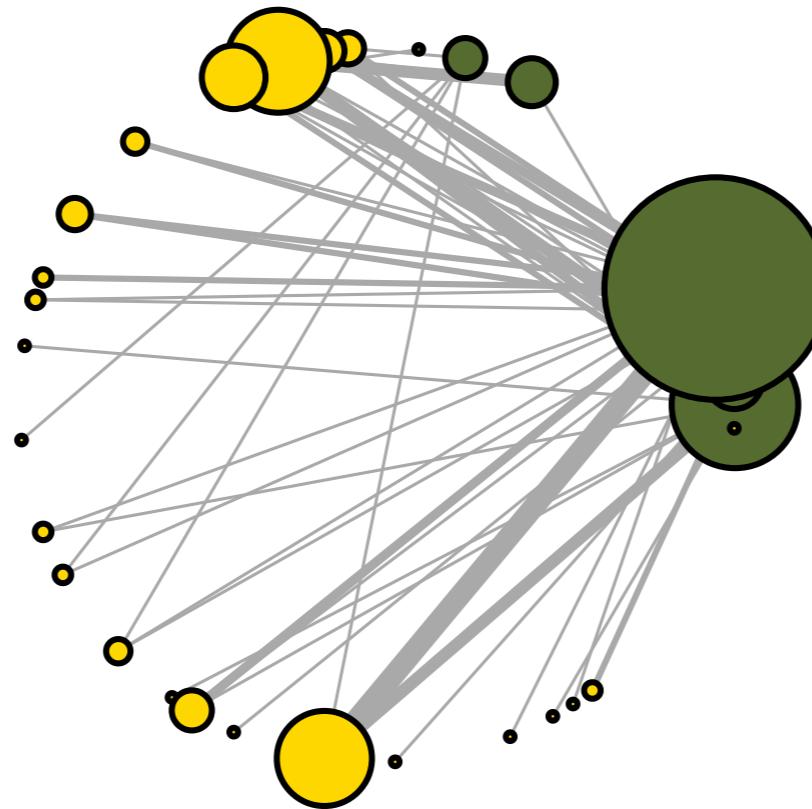


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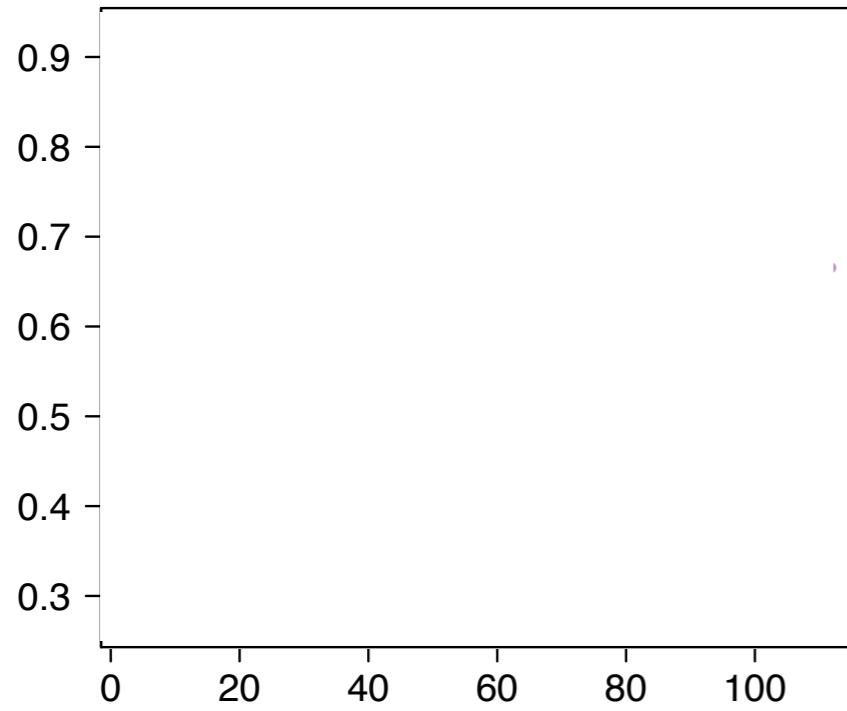


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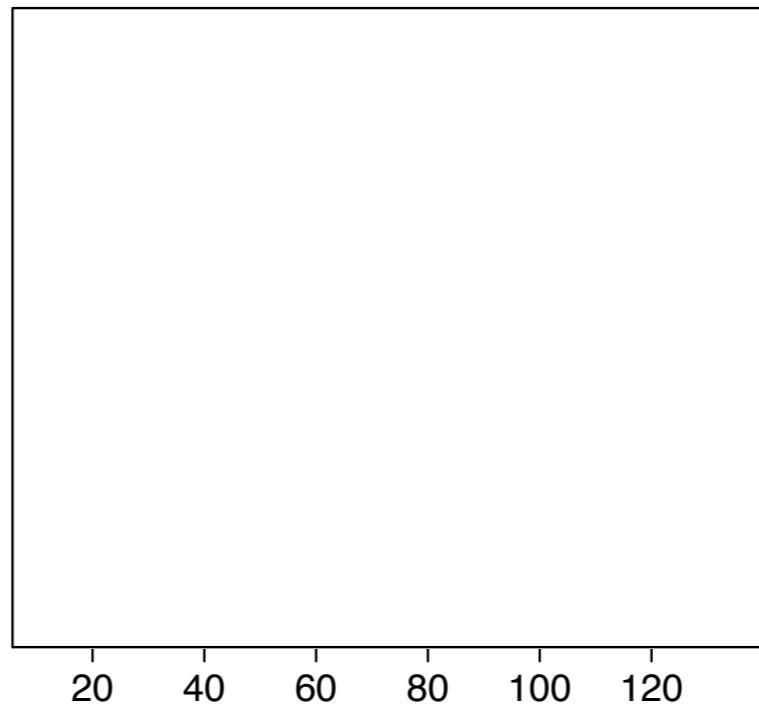
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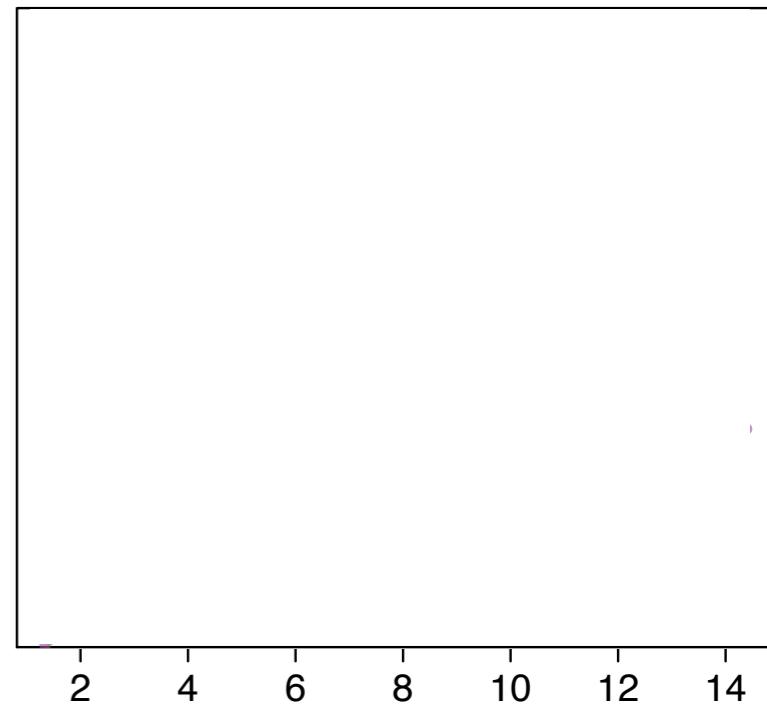
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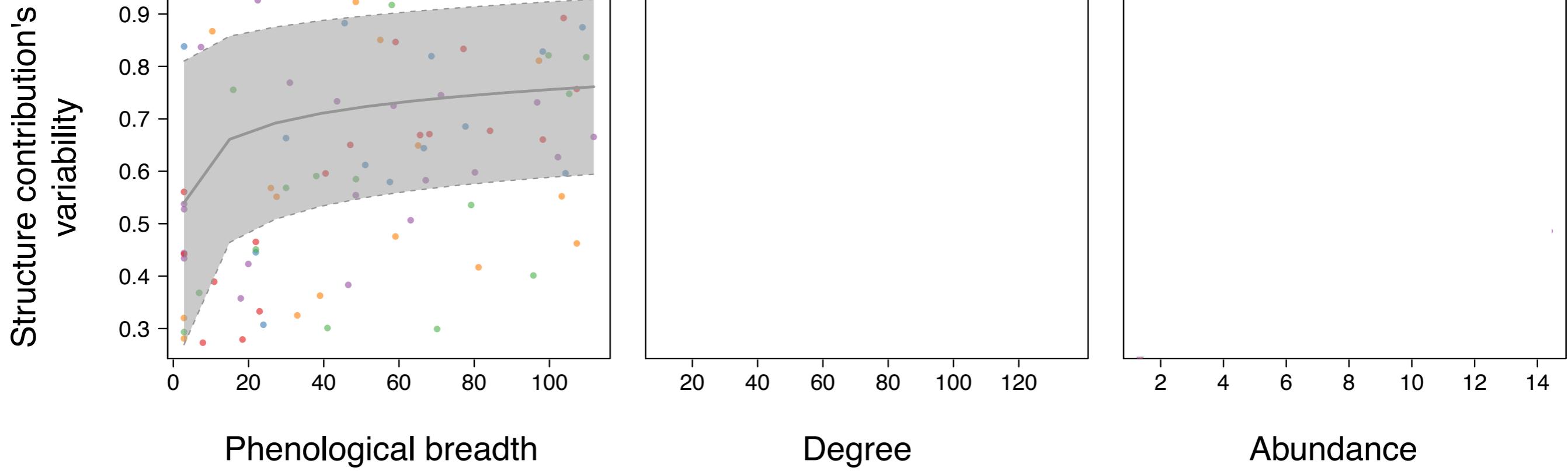
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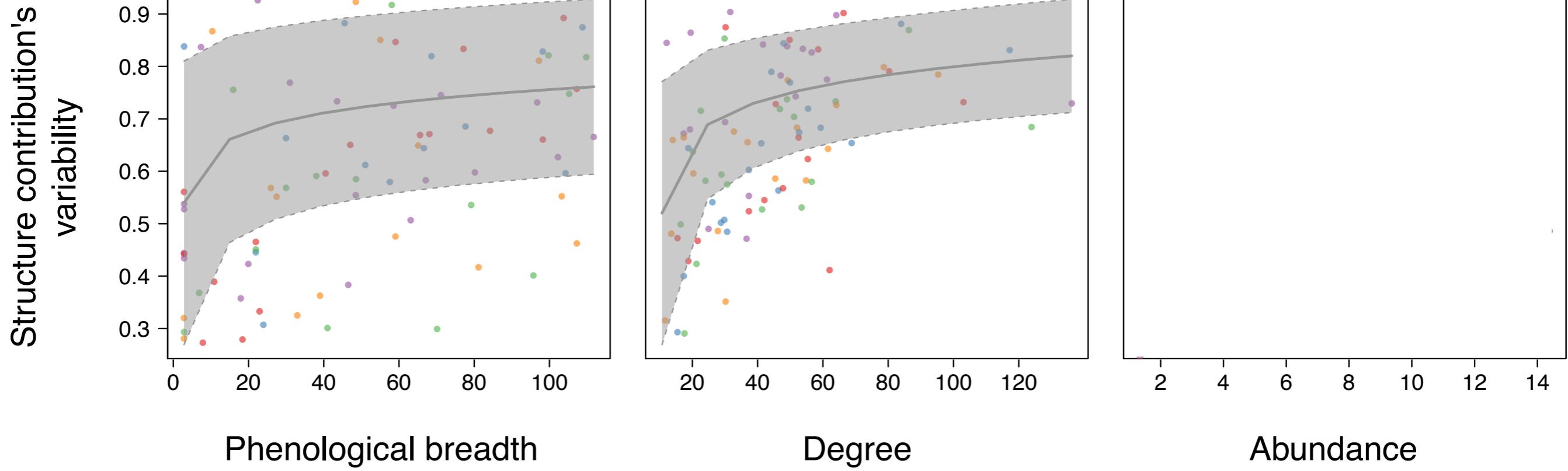


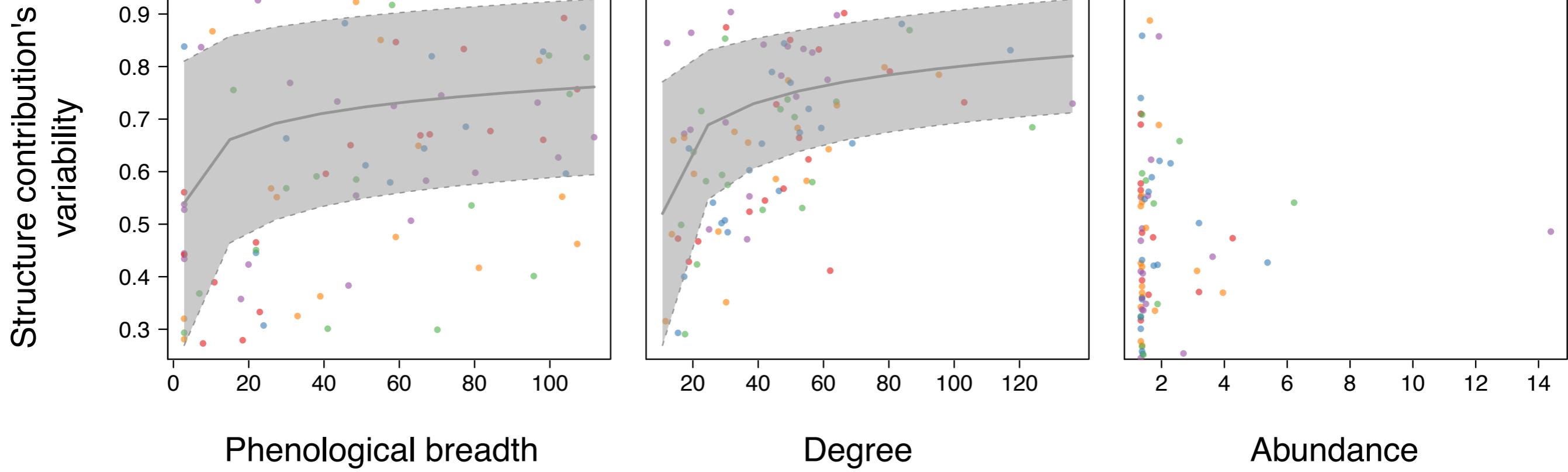
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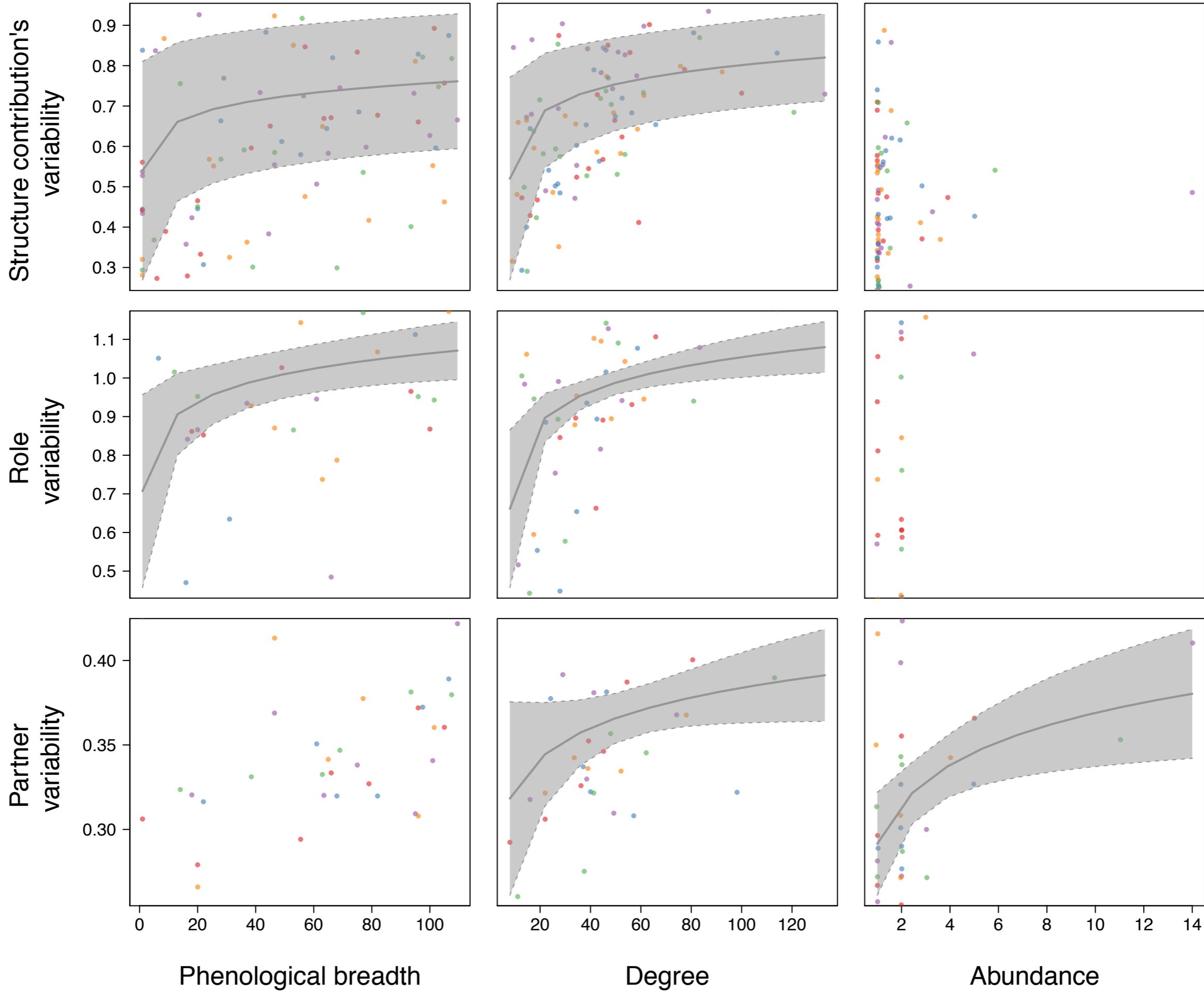


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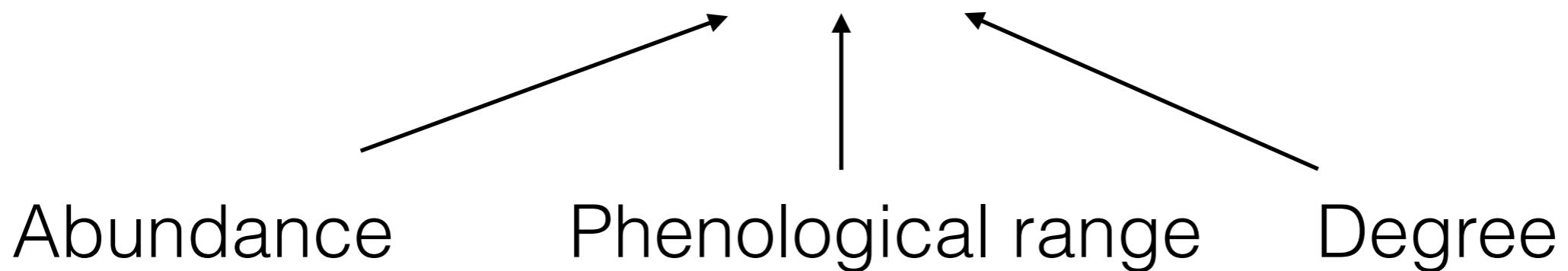




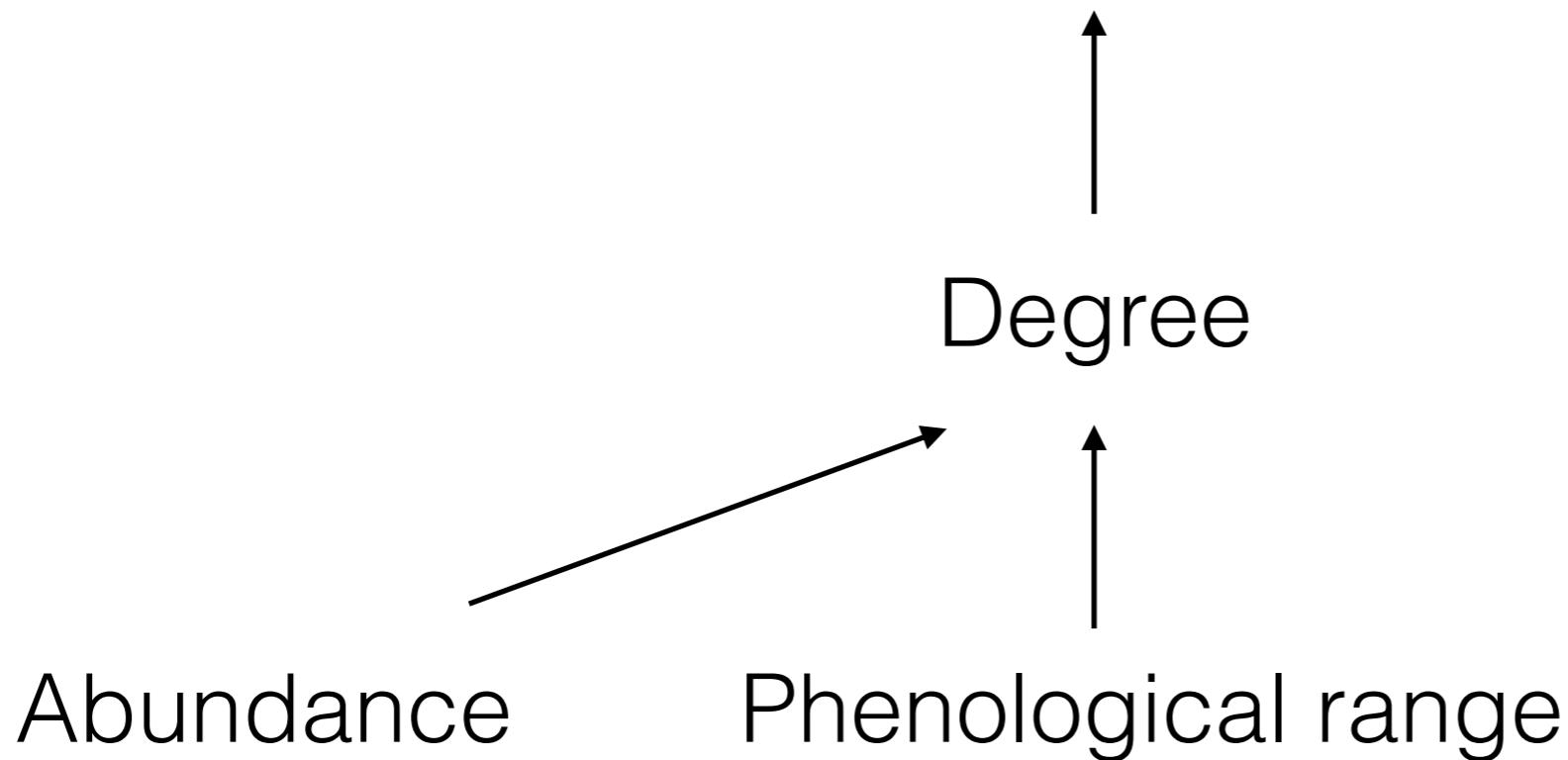




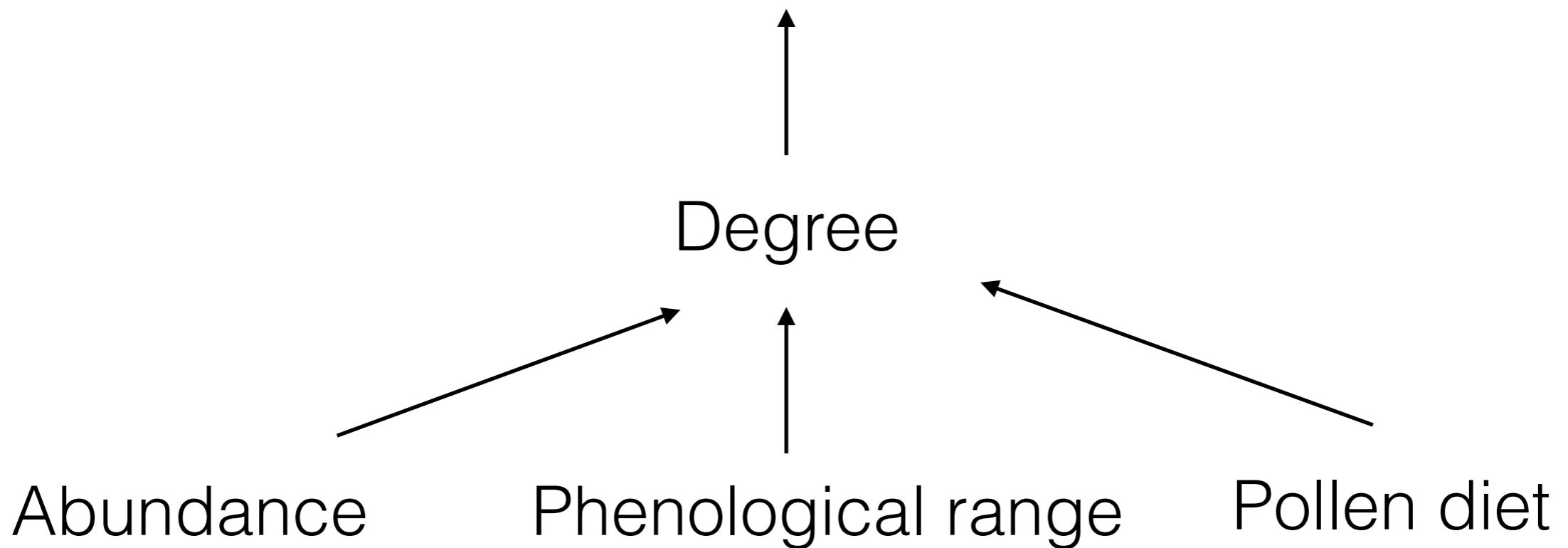
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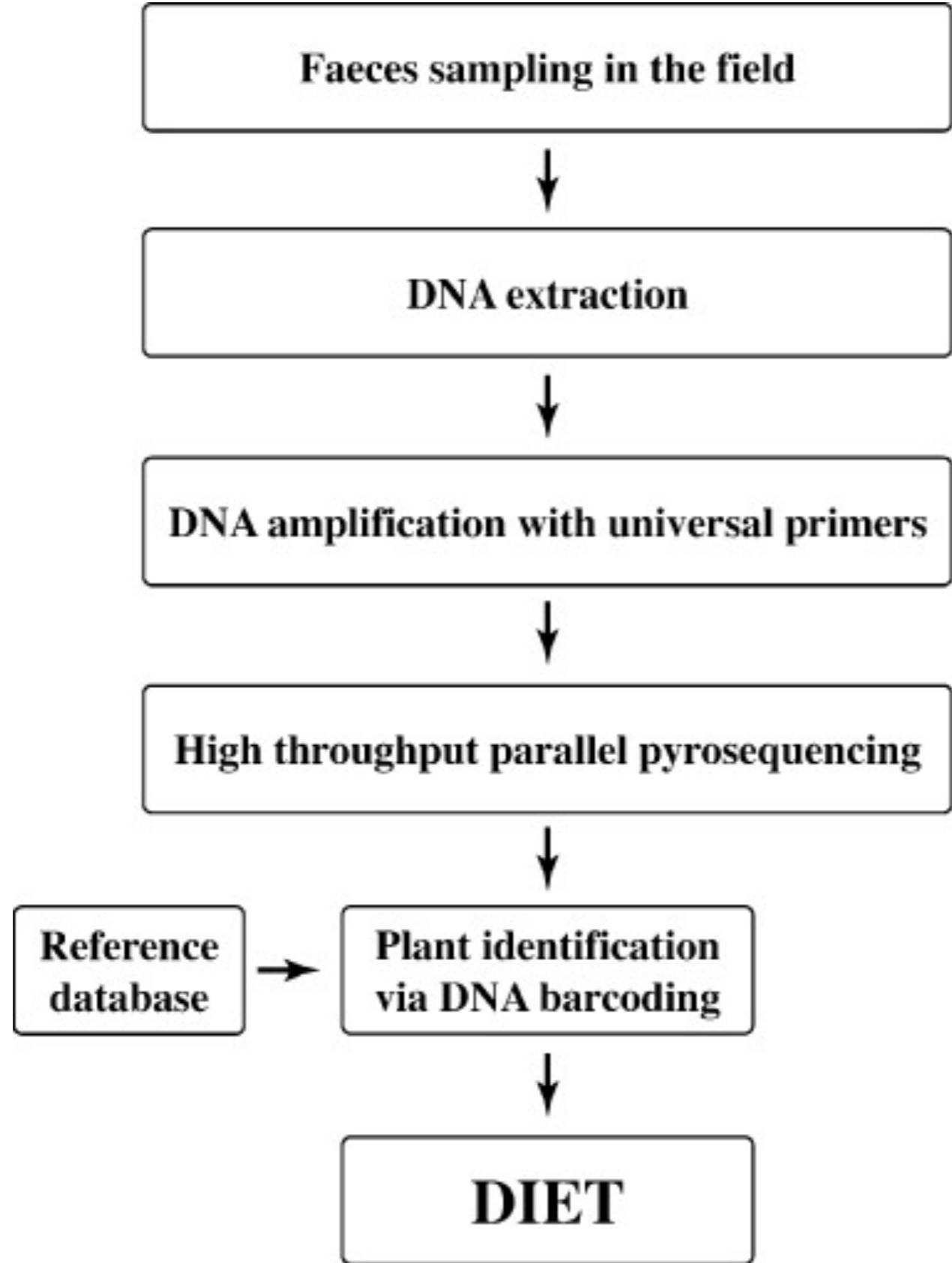


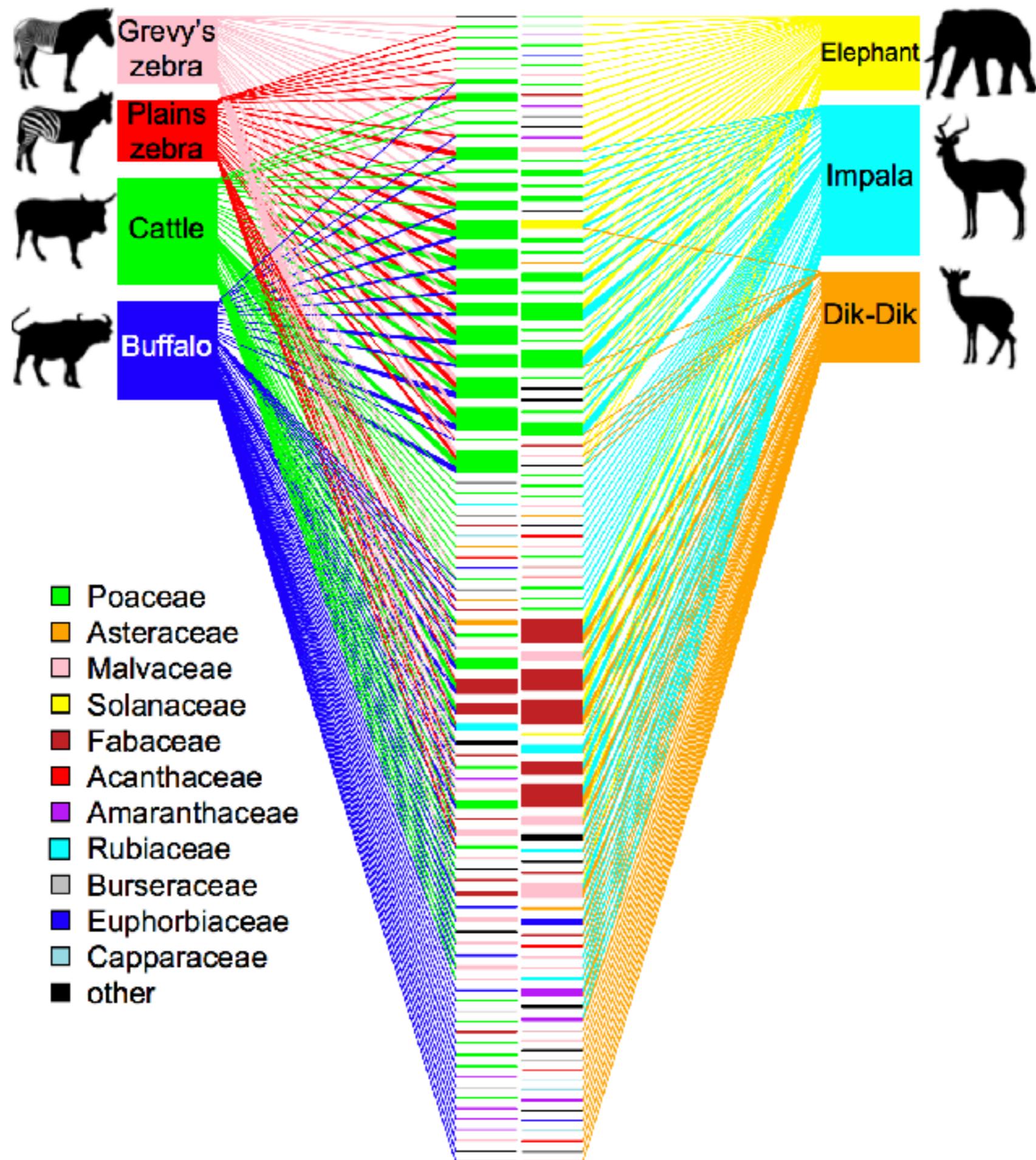






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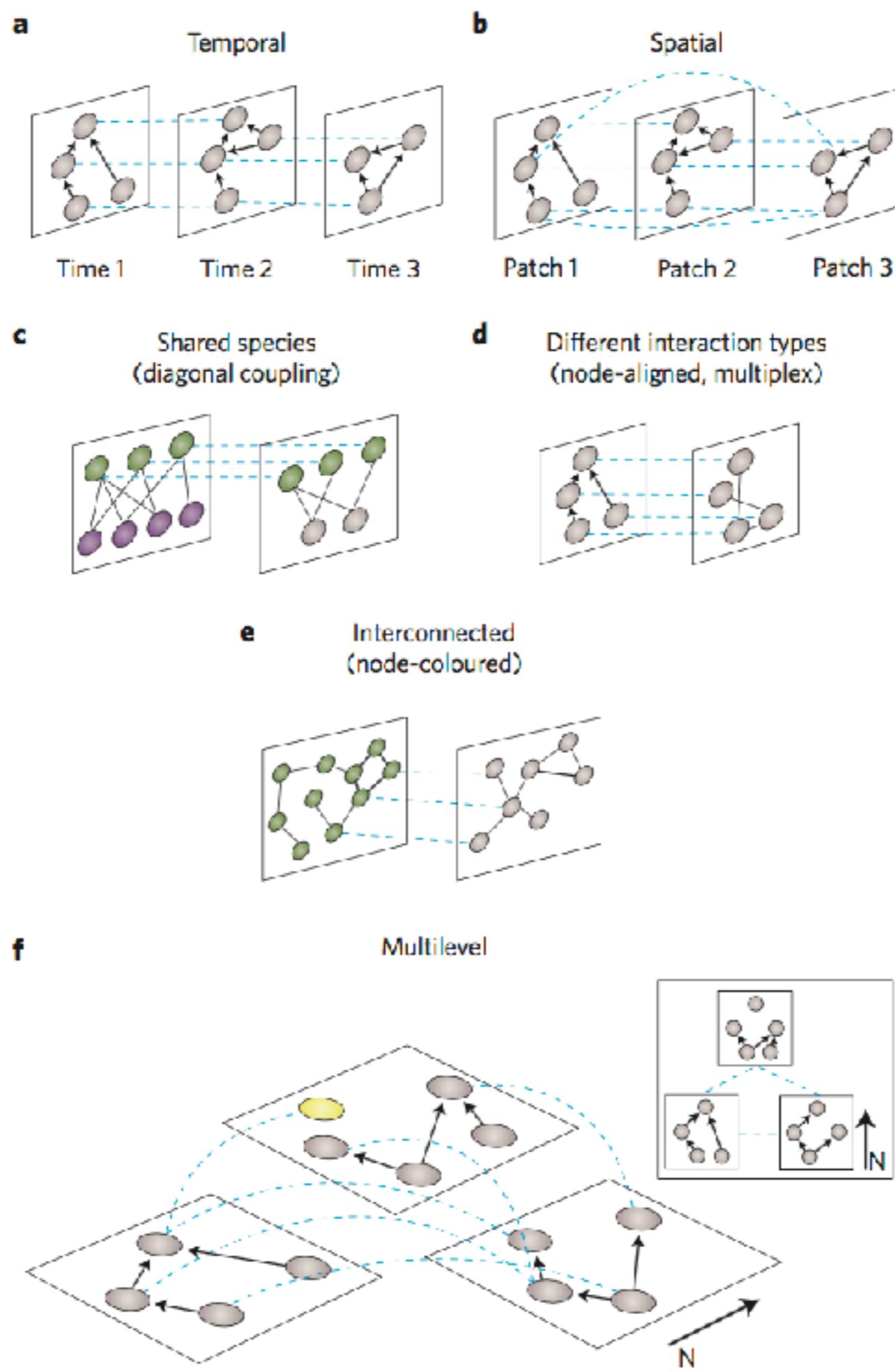


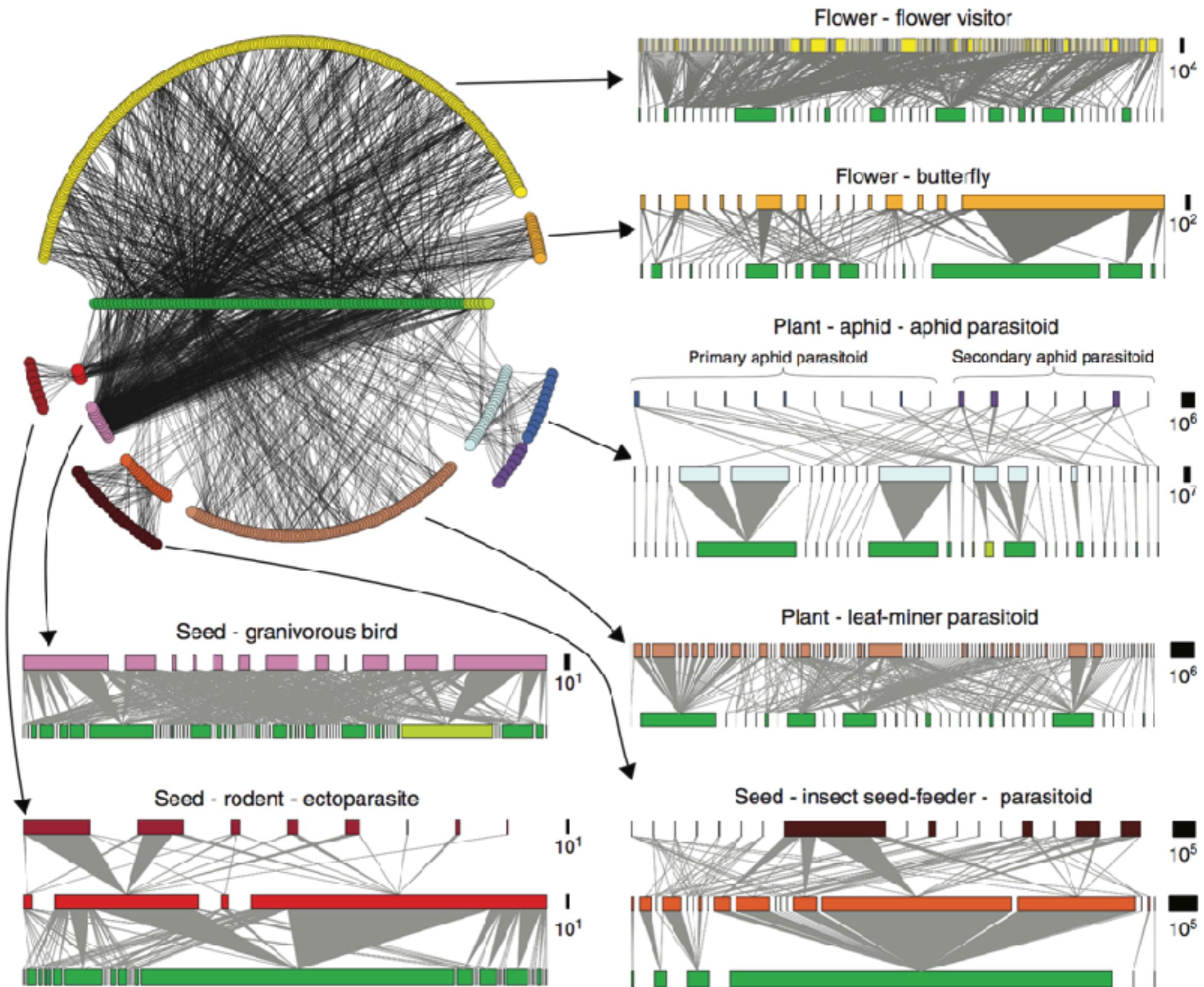


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Multilayer networks





What's next?

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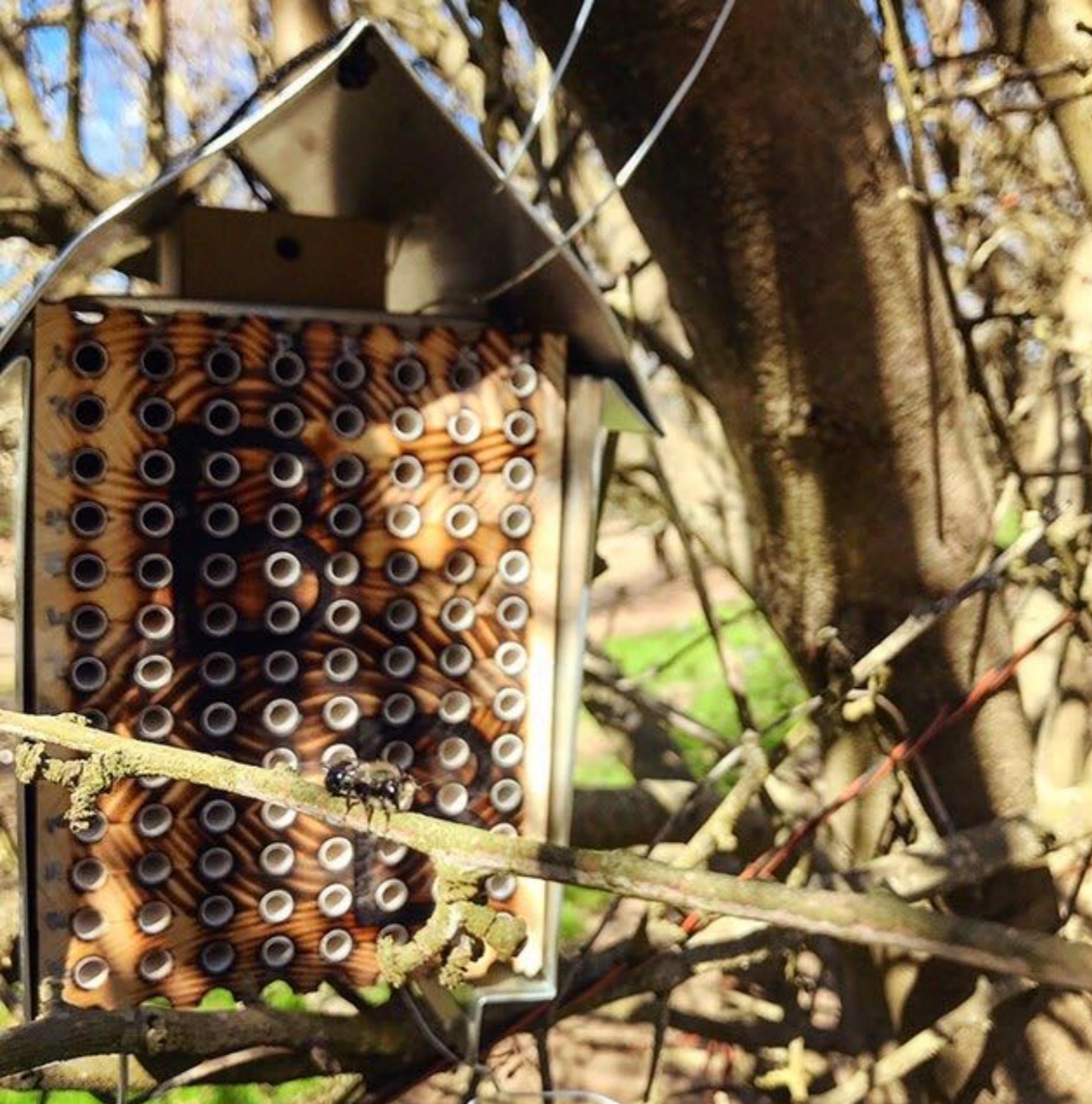
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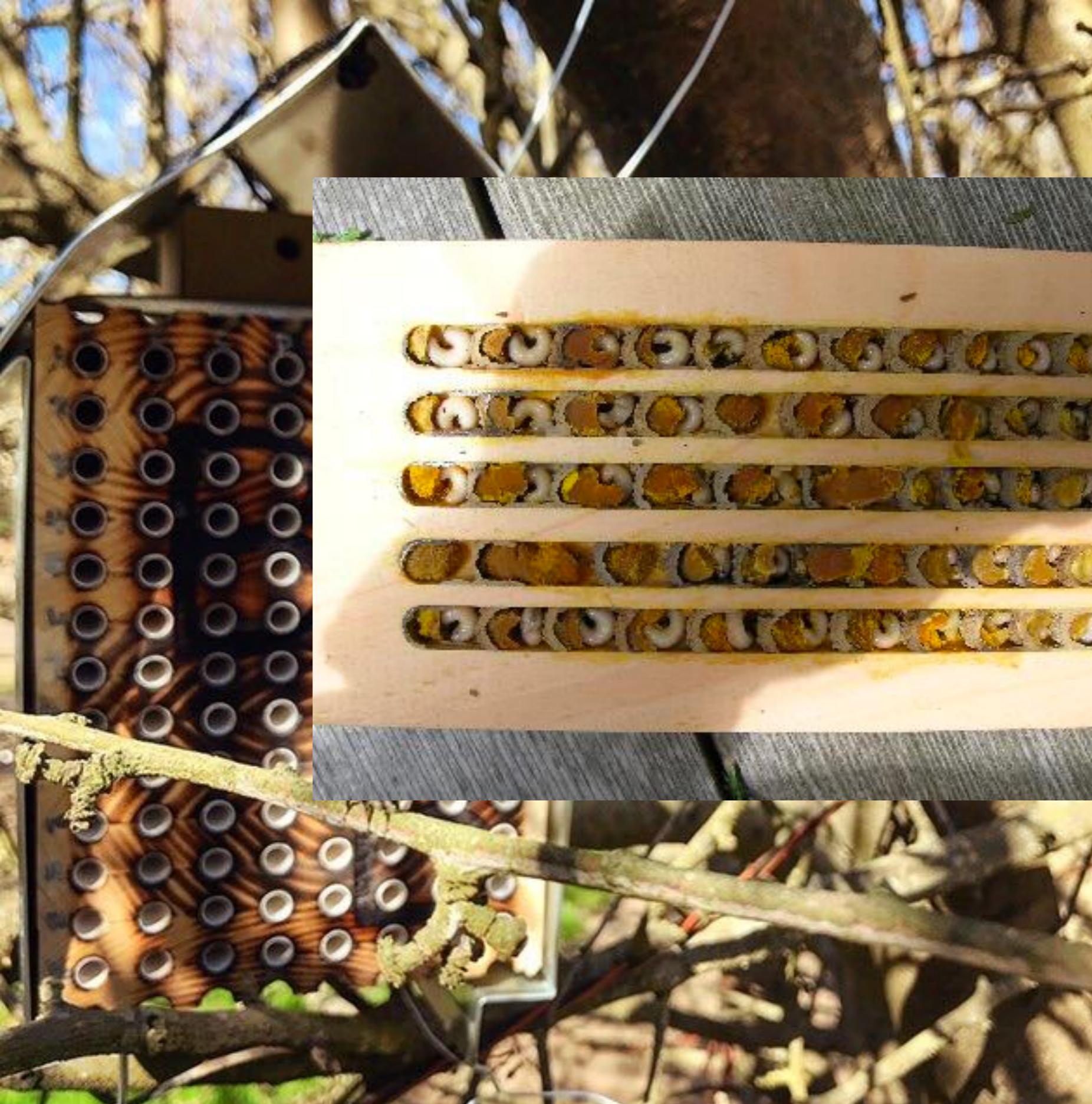
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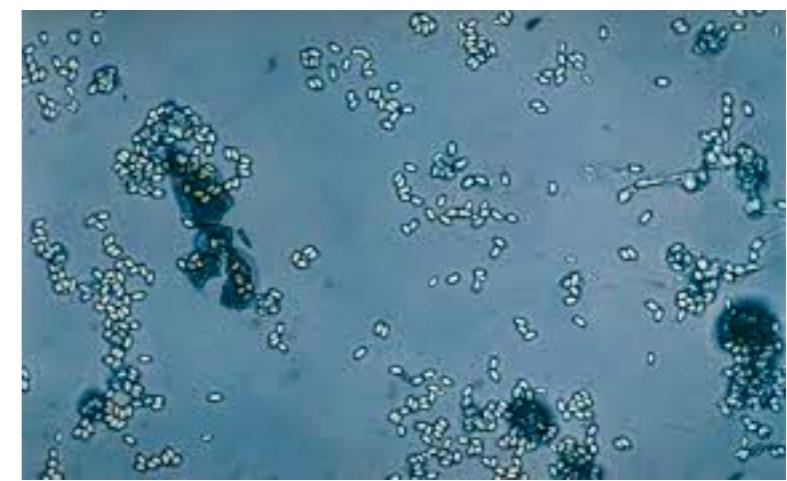
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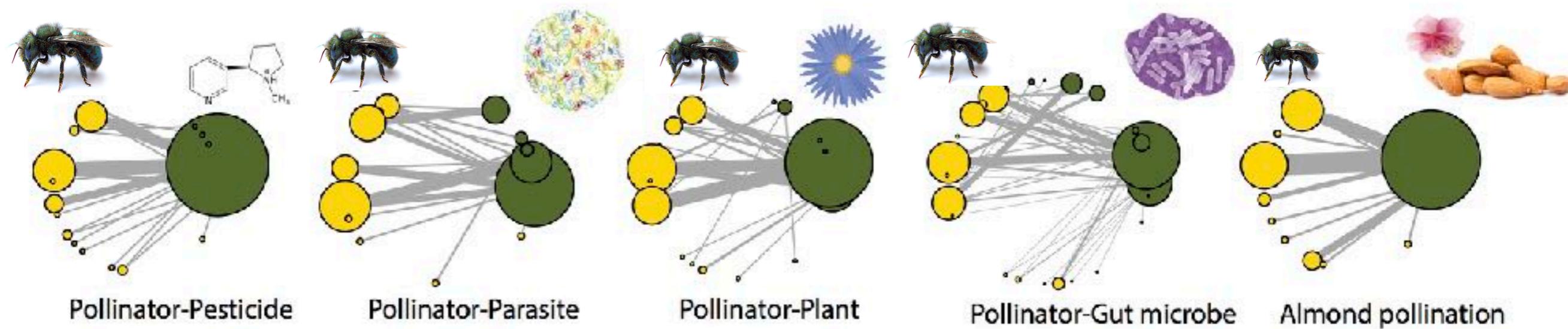












But...

The hardest part of all of this is identifying
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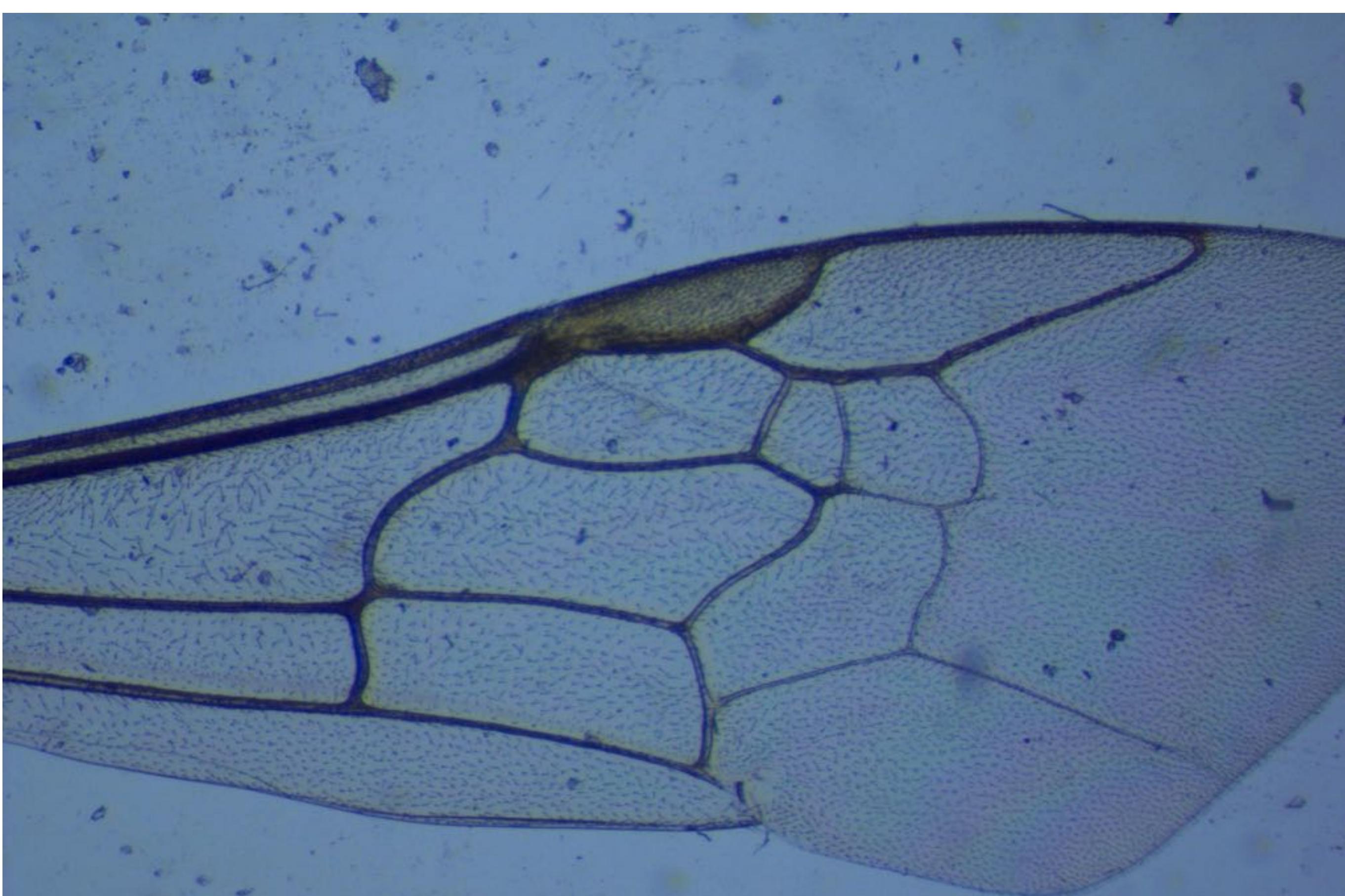


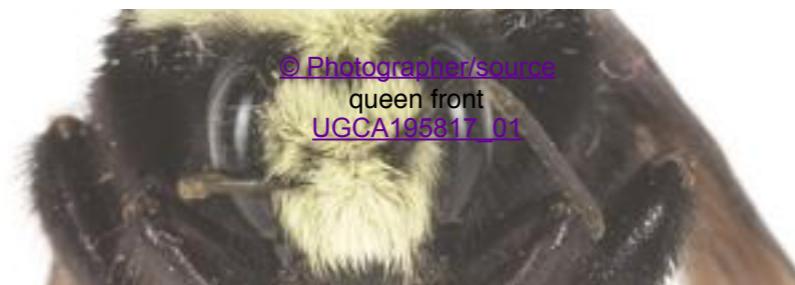
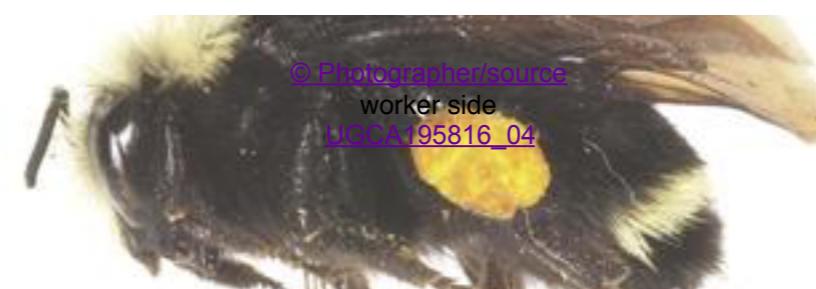












A photograph of five women standing in a grassy field, holding large white insect nets. They are all wearing sunglasses and casual outdoor clothing. Behind them is a vast mountain range under a blue sky with scattered clouds.

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Thank you!

Networks + ecology and evolution

1. Moving past summarizing networks with metrics
2. Possibilities to look at change through time
 - change point analysis
3. Soon:
 - more data due to new sequencing technologies
 - more data due to image recognition (right Stefan?)
 - Combine different types of networks
 - Incorporate meta data