

Population dynamics

Evolution & Ecology

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Plan

L1 - Exponential growth

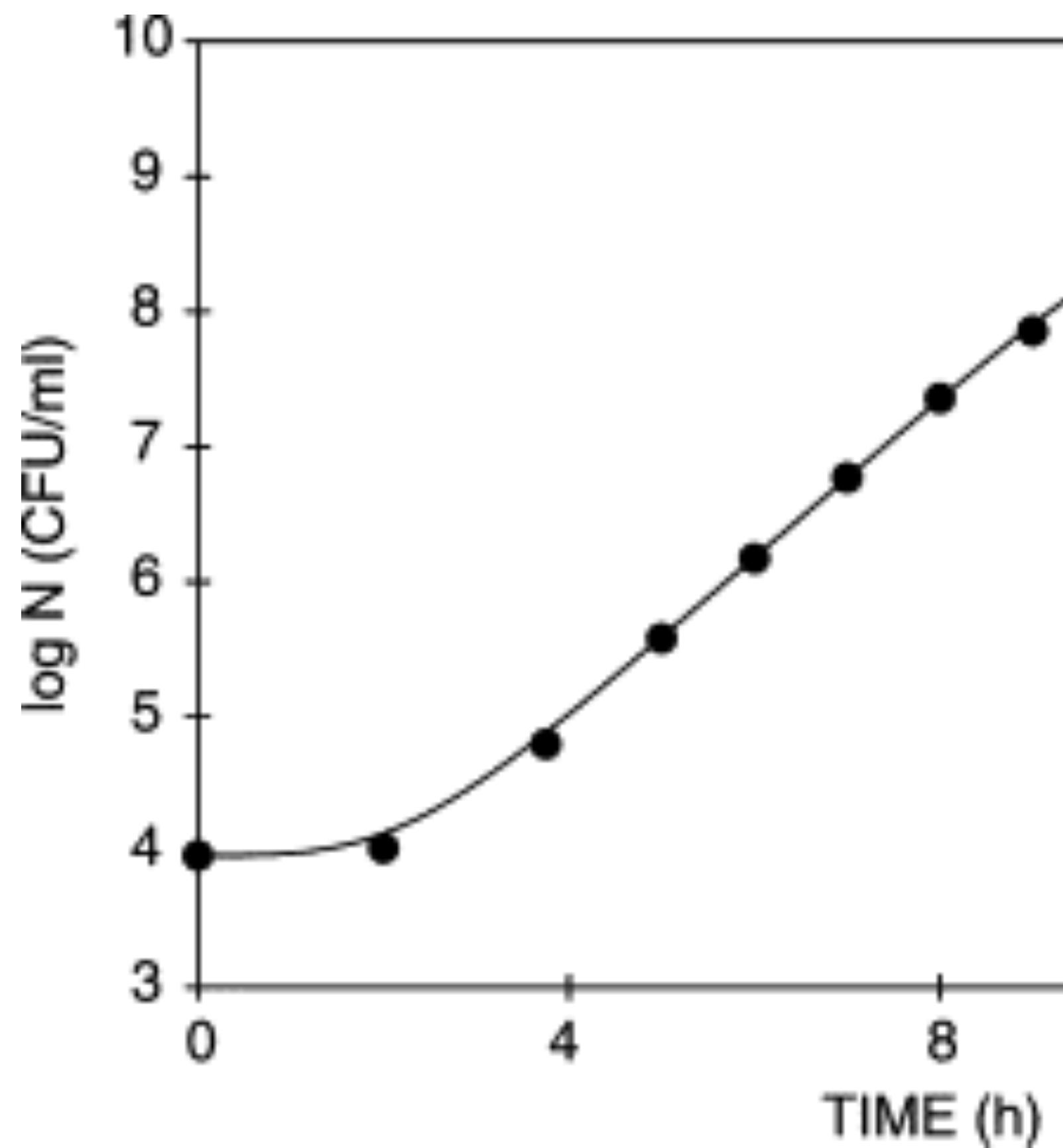
L2 - Mutations

L3 - Selection

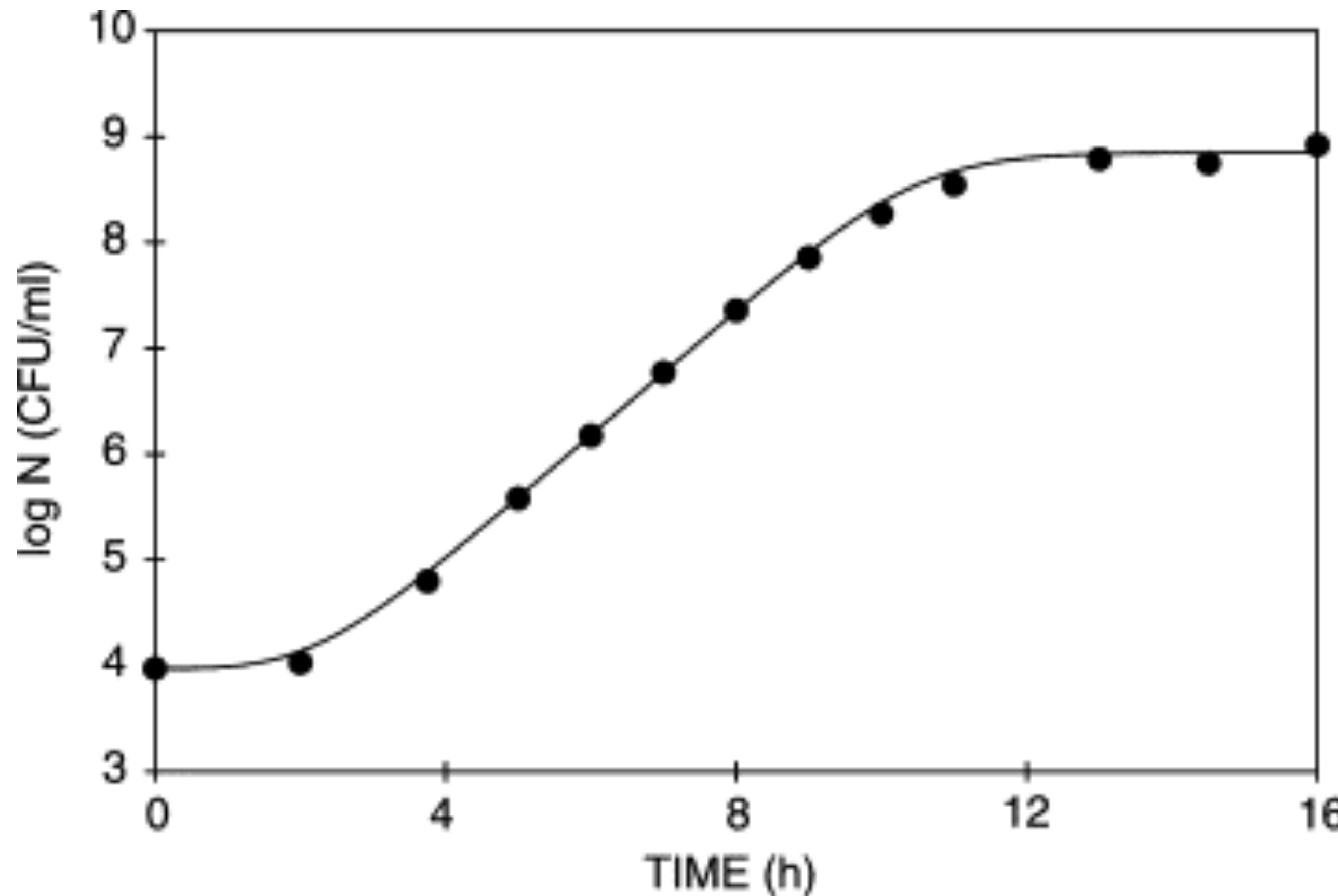
L4 - Population dynamics

L5 - Eco-Evo

Exponential

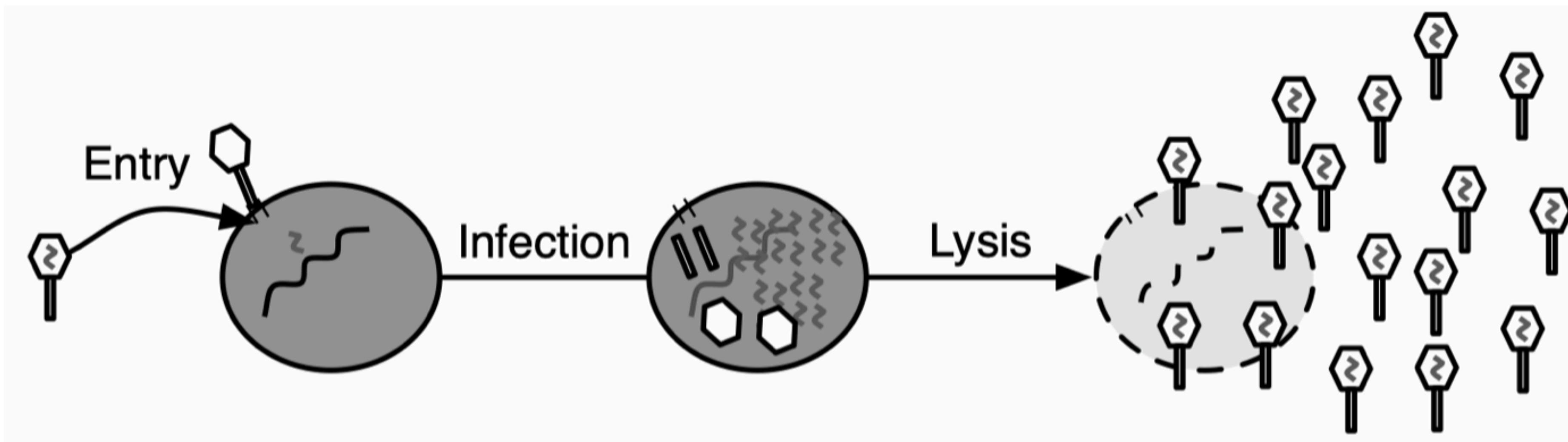


Exponential is not forever

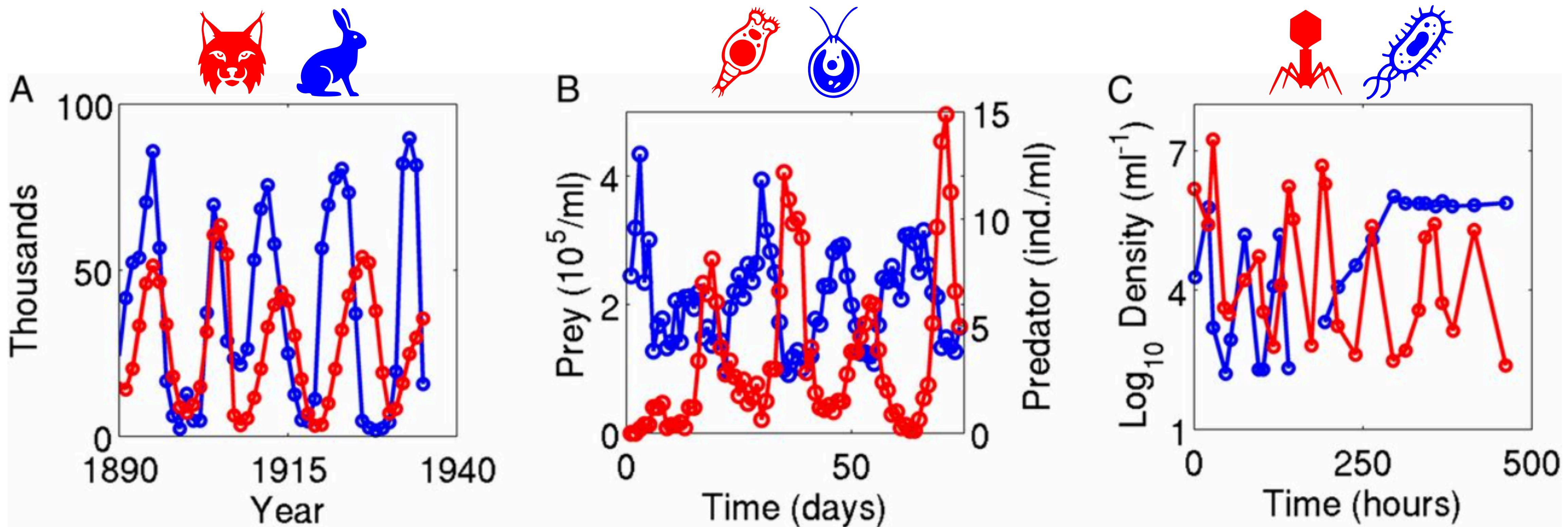


Limits to growth

Bacteria and phages

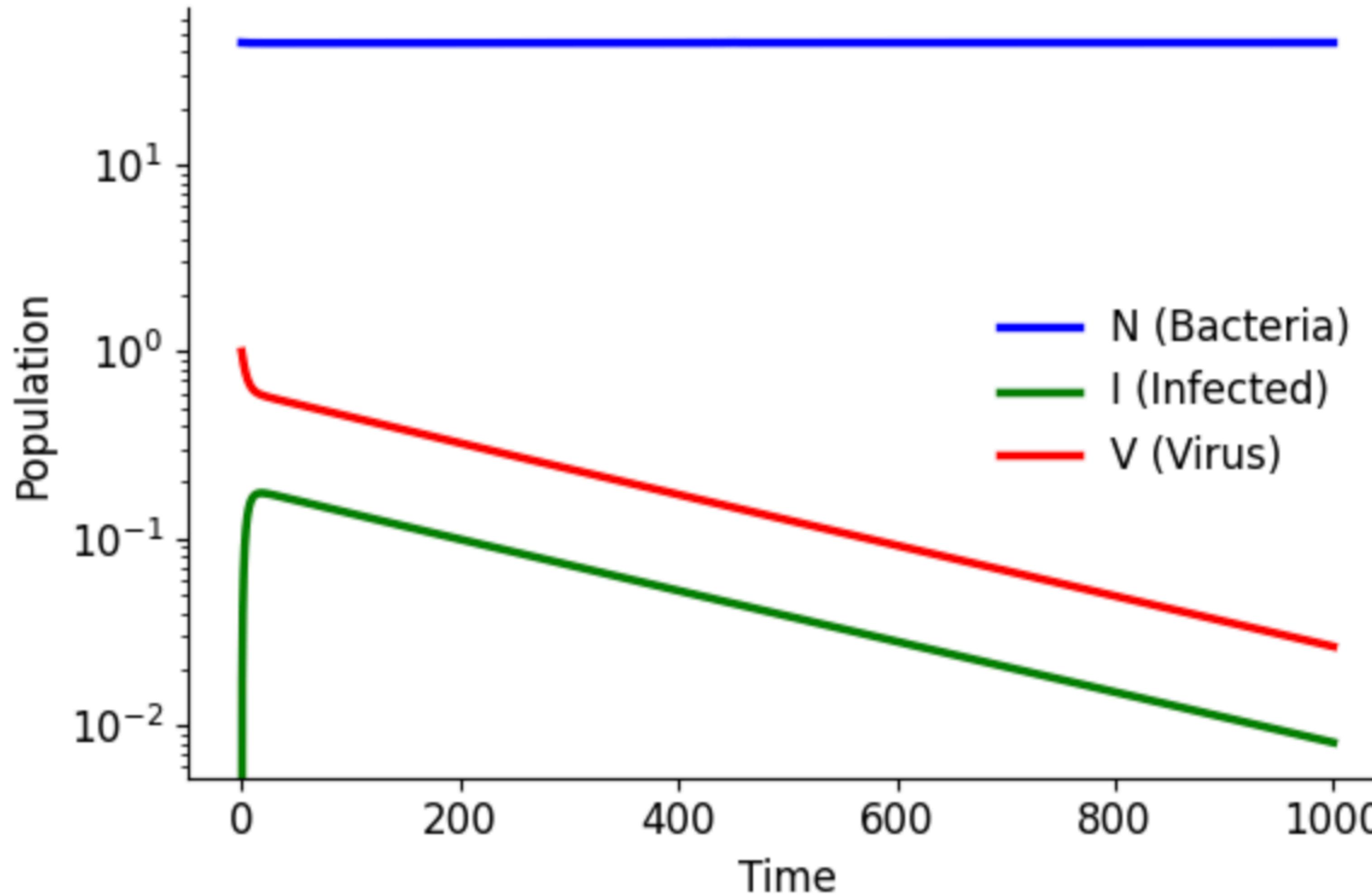


Cycles in ecological dynamics

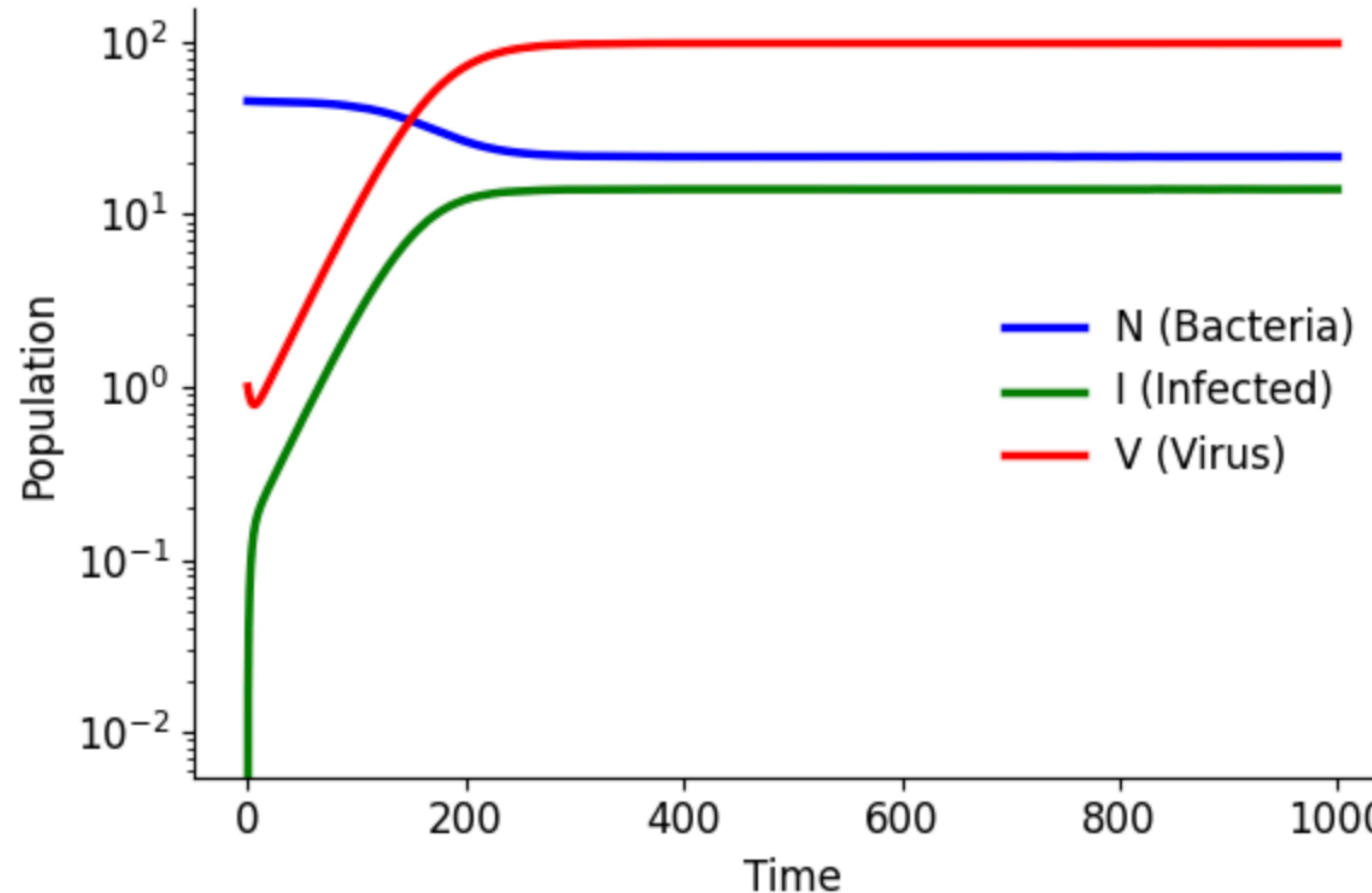


Let's build an ecological model

Scenario 1. No phages (small β)



Scenario 2. Fixed point (intermediate β)



Scenario 3. Oscillations (large β)

