

Population dynamics project:

# Internal dynamics of NPZD type ecosystem models

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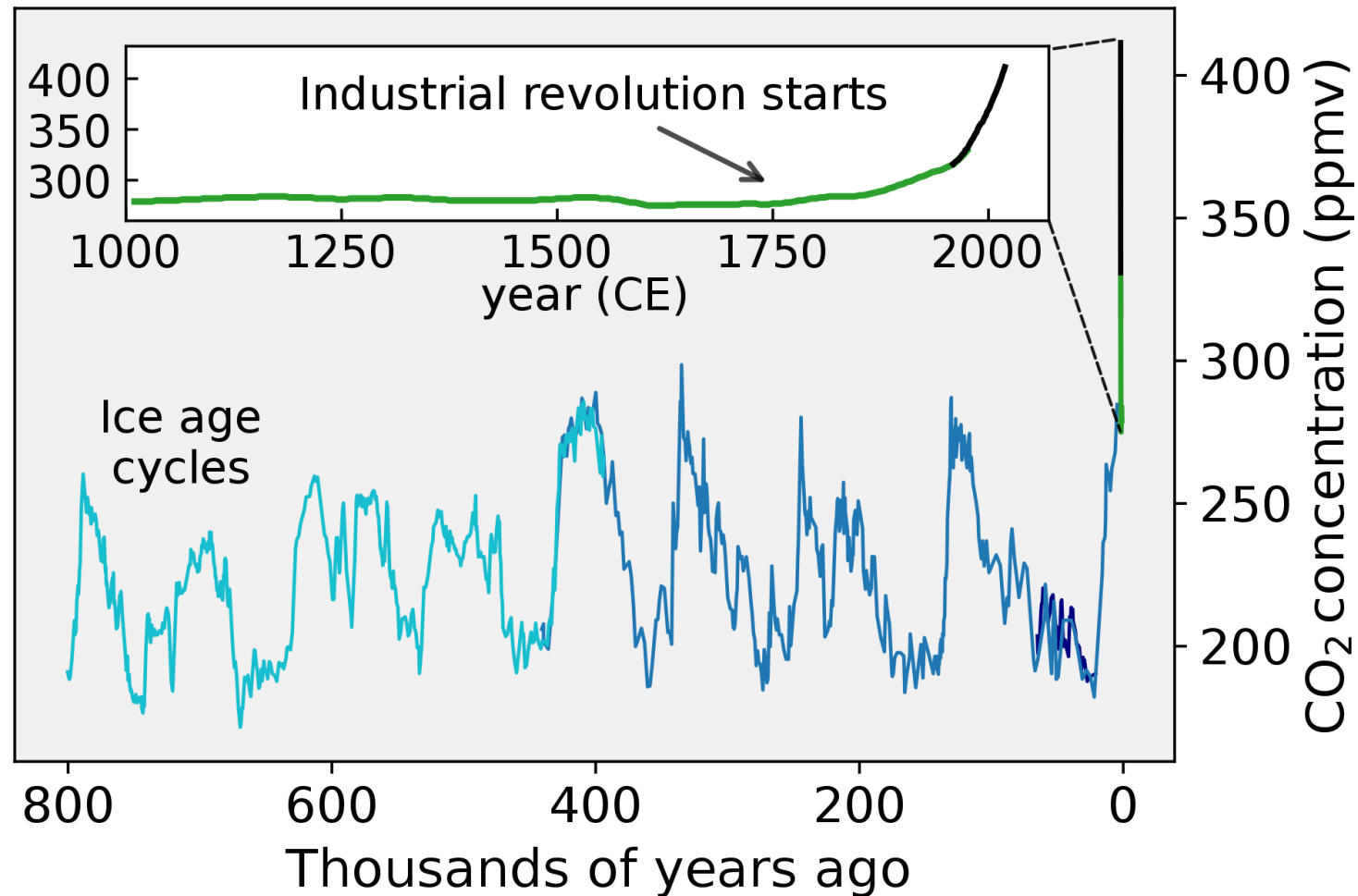
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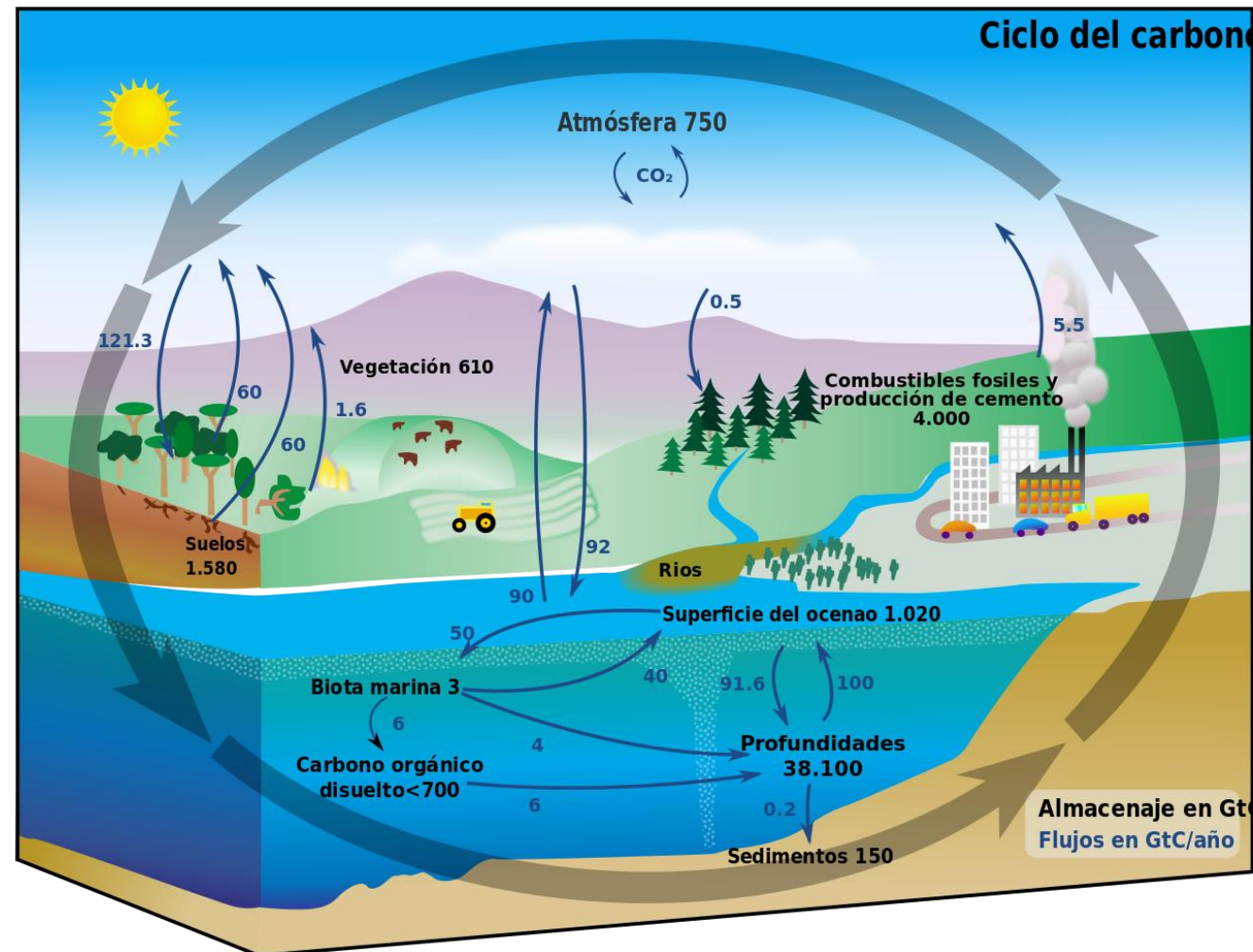
# The problem I: Climate change



# The problem II: CO<sub>2</sub> concentration

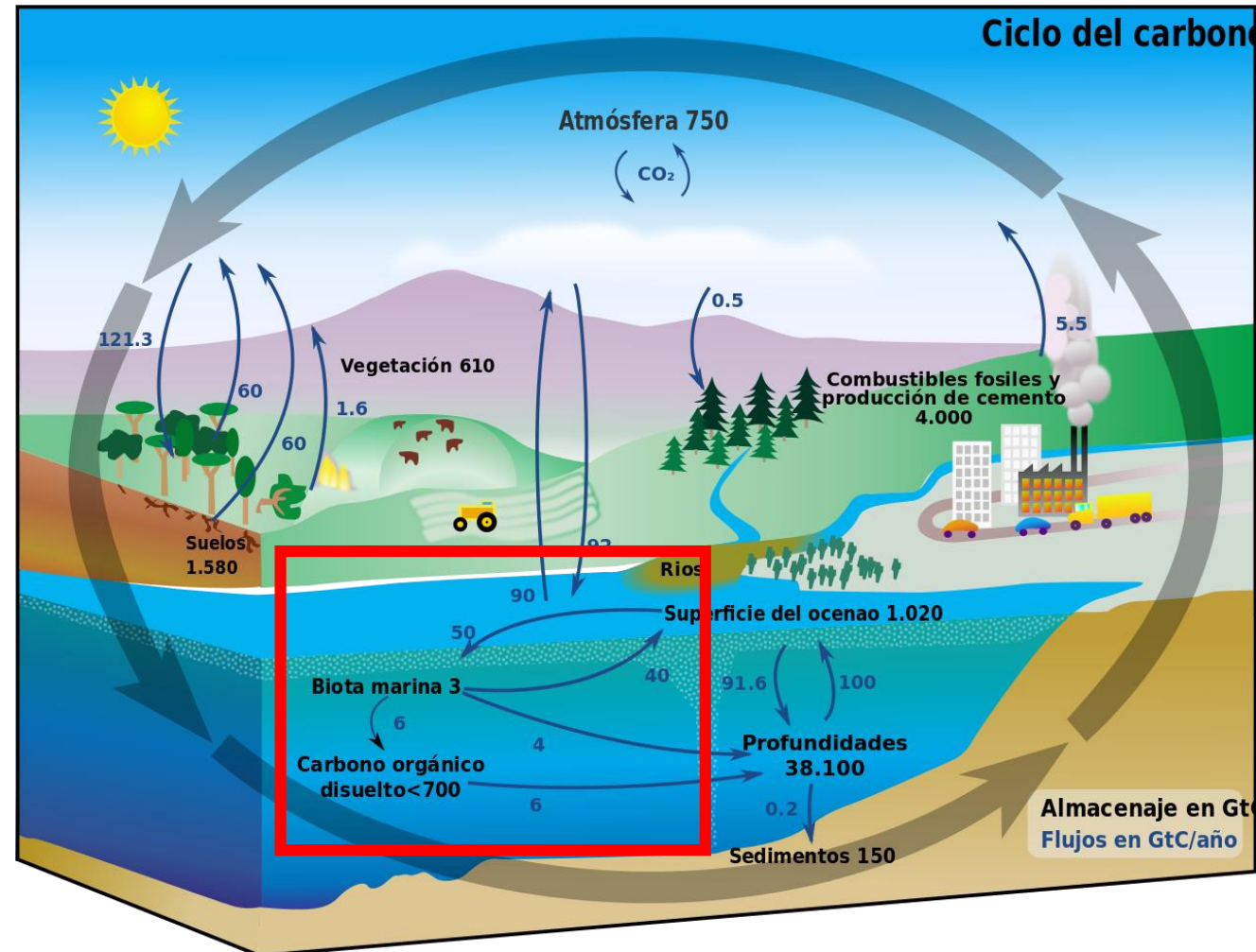


# The problem III: The carbon cycle





The problem IV: The marine ecosystem (ocean) is an essential part of the Earth carbon cycle



# The problem V: How to model the ocean?

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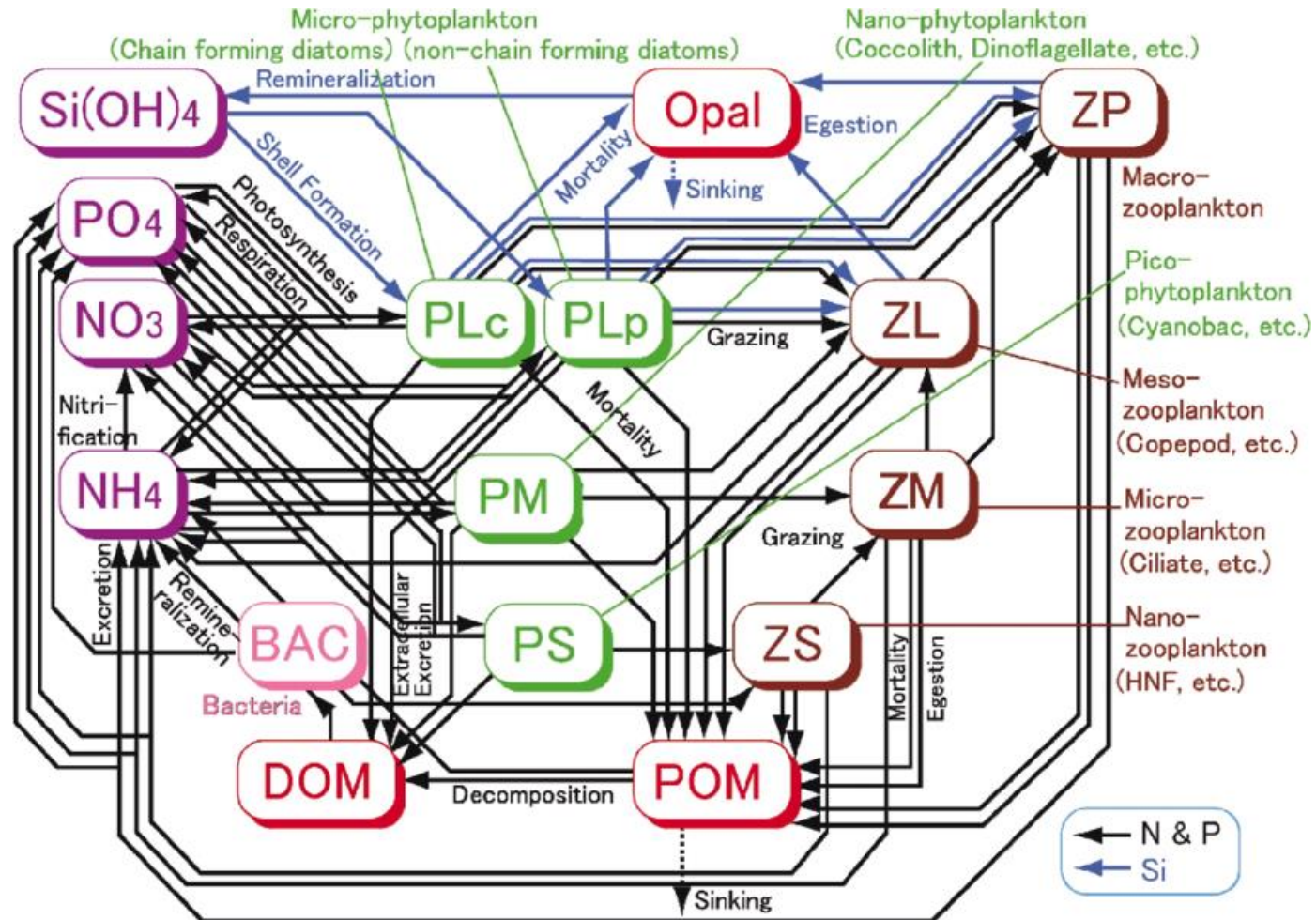
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The problem VI: How to model the marine ecosystem?

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Source: Yoshie, Naoki & Guo, Xinyu & Fujii, Naoki & Komorita, Tomohiro. (2011). Ecosystem and Nutrient Dynamics in the Seto Inland Sea, Japan. Interdisciplinary studies on environmental chemistry. 39-49.

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- Phytoplankton
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- Detritus

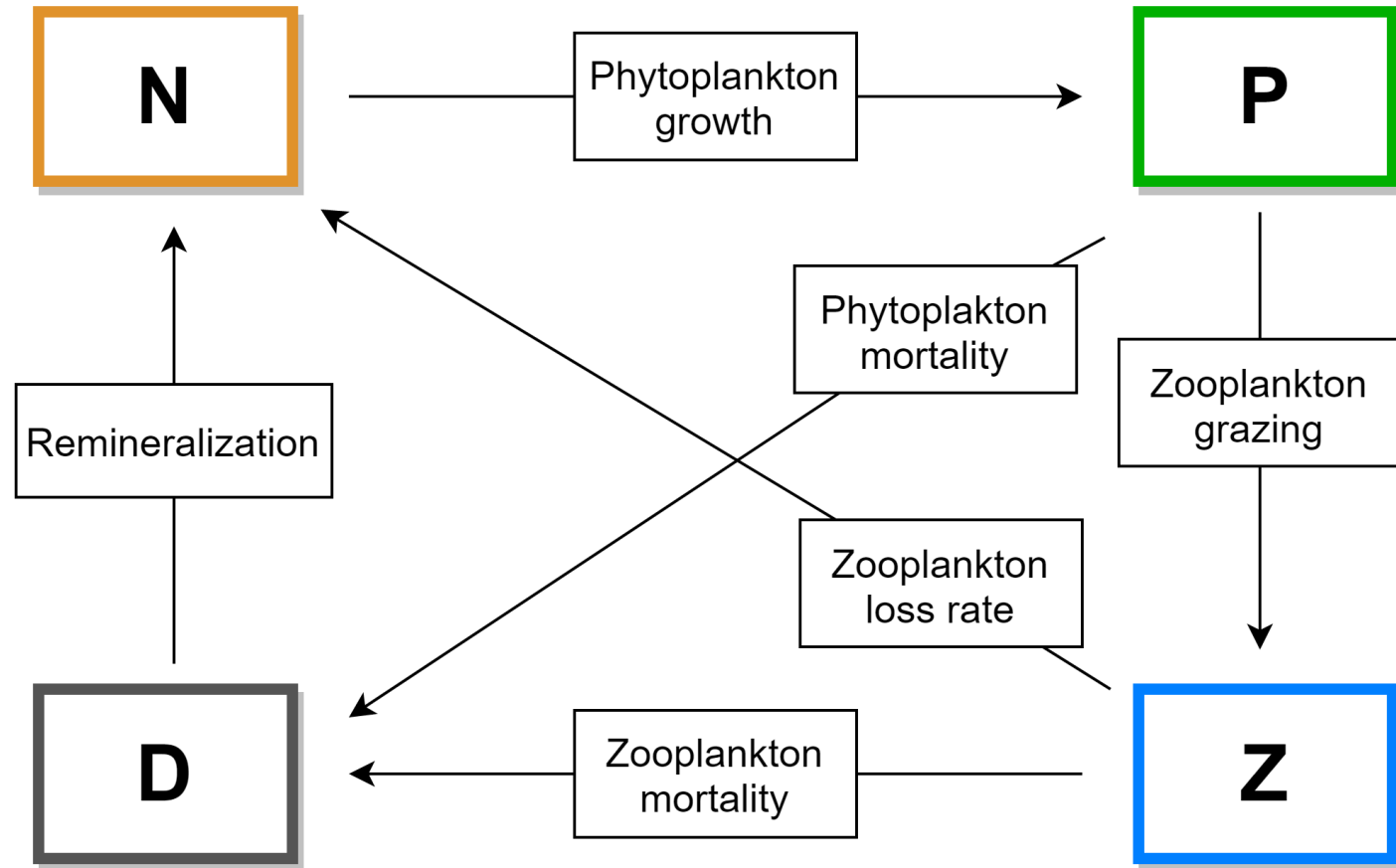
# NPZD models: What are they used for?

- NPZD models (and concentration based models, more generally) are tools for quantitative investigation of a planktonic ecosystem
- 3 broad uses:
  - Theoretical experiments
  - Explanation of observations
  - Prediction

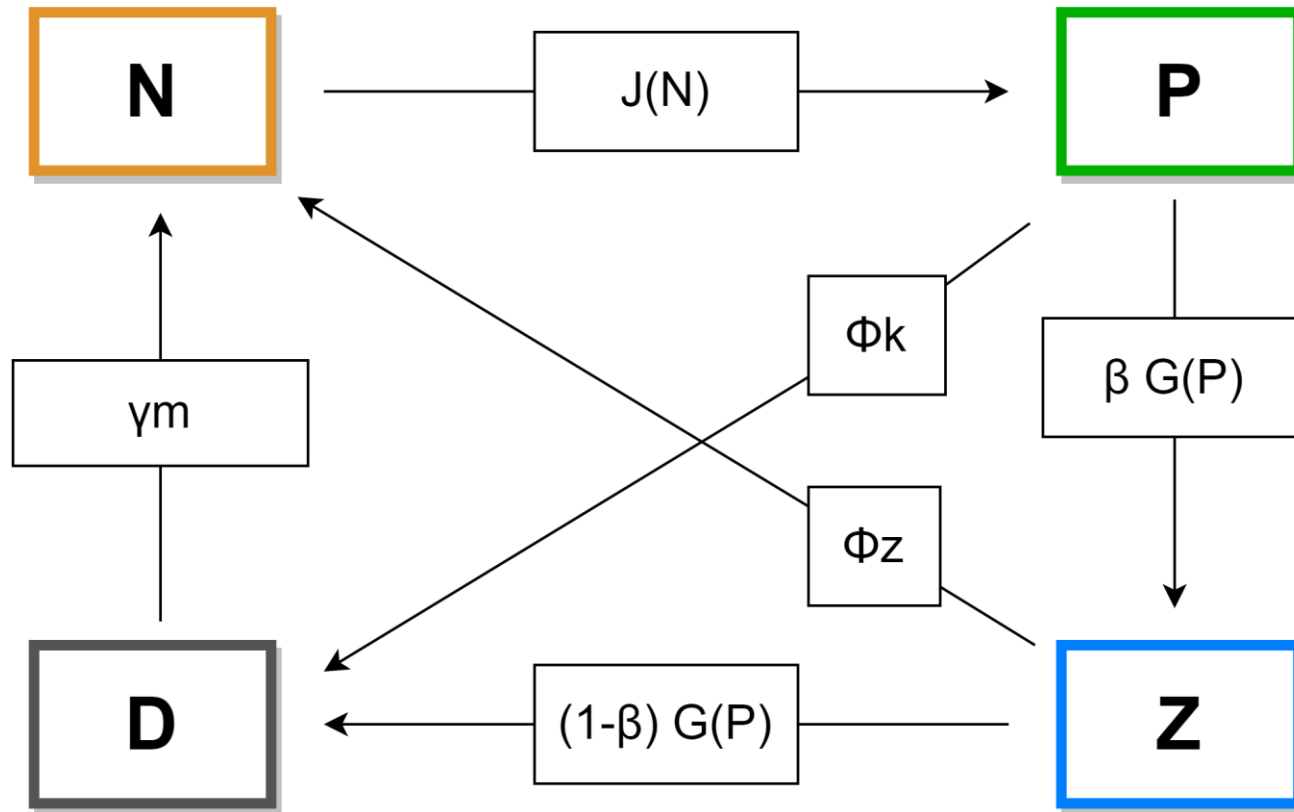


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$$J(N) = \mu_m * f_{N(N)} * f_I(I)$$

$$G(N) = \frac{g \epsilon P^2}{g + \epsilon P^2}$$