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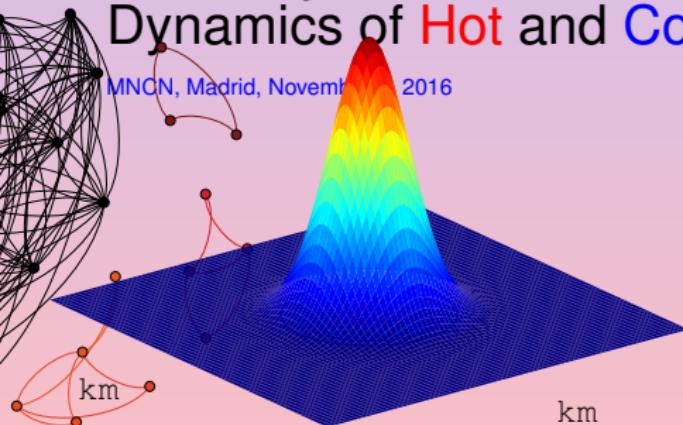
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A Theory for Diversification and Biodiversity Dynamics of Hot and Cold Spots



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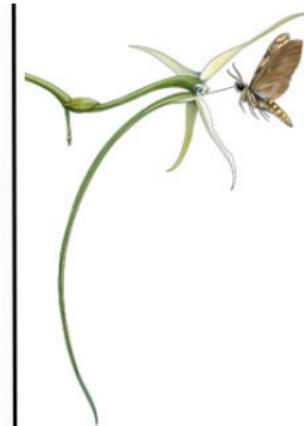
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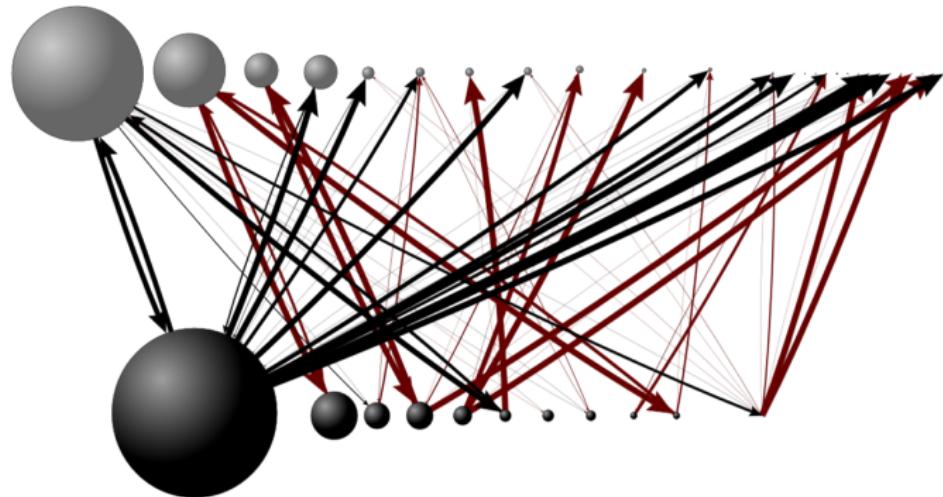
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- ▶ What do we need to predict them?
- ▶ Which are the existing theories?

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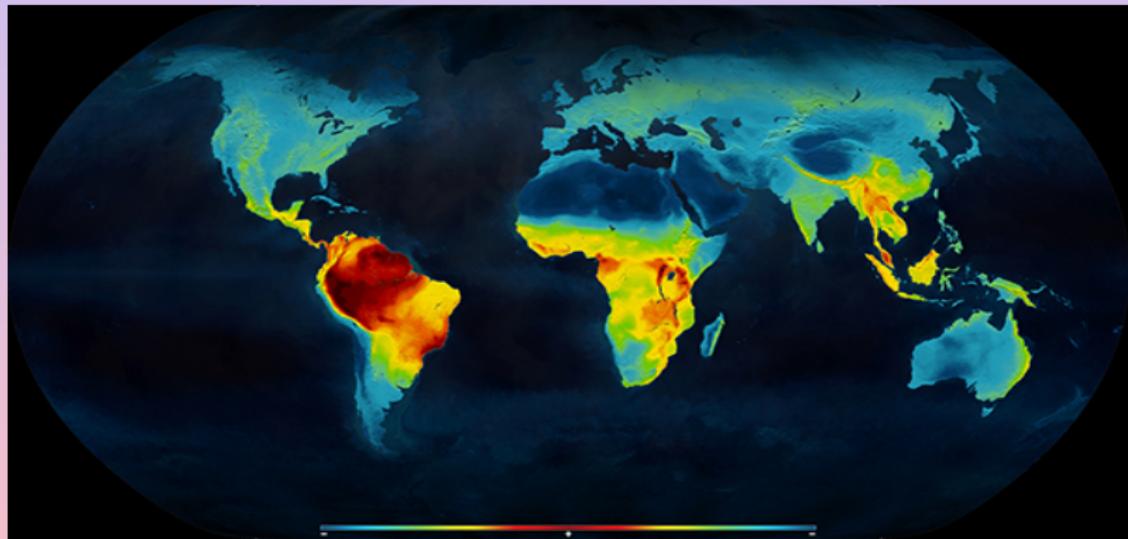


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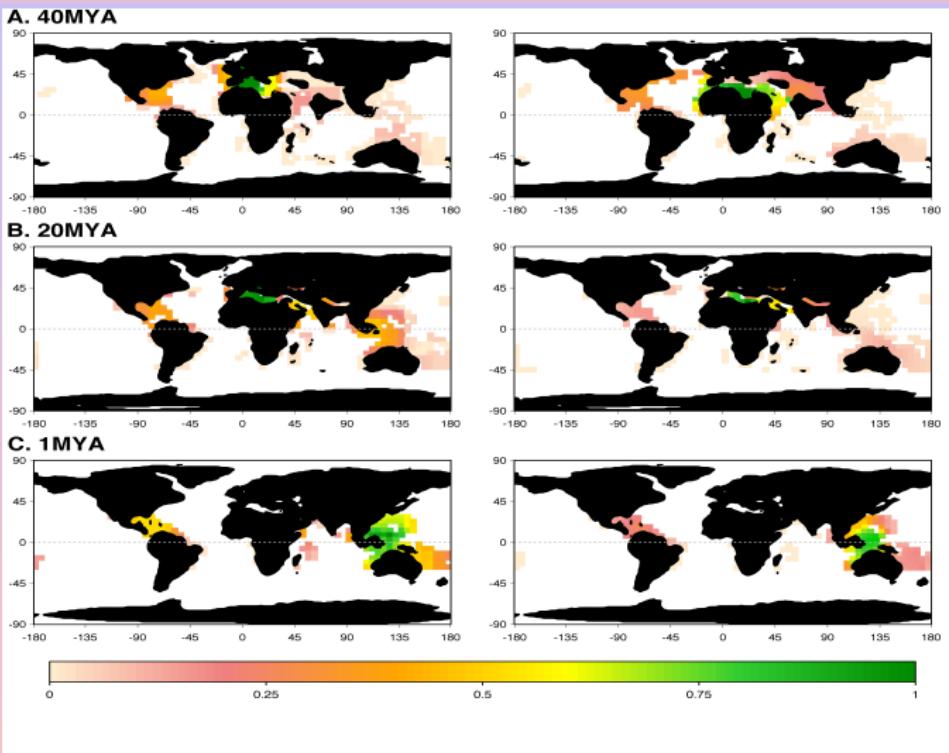
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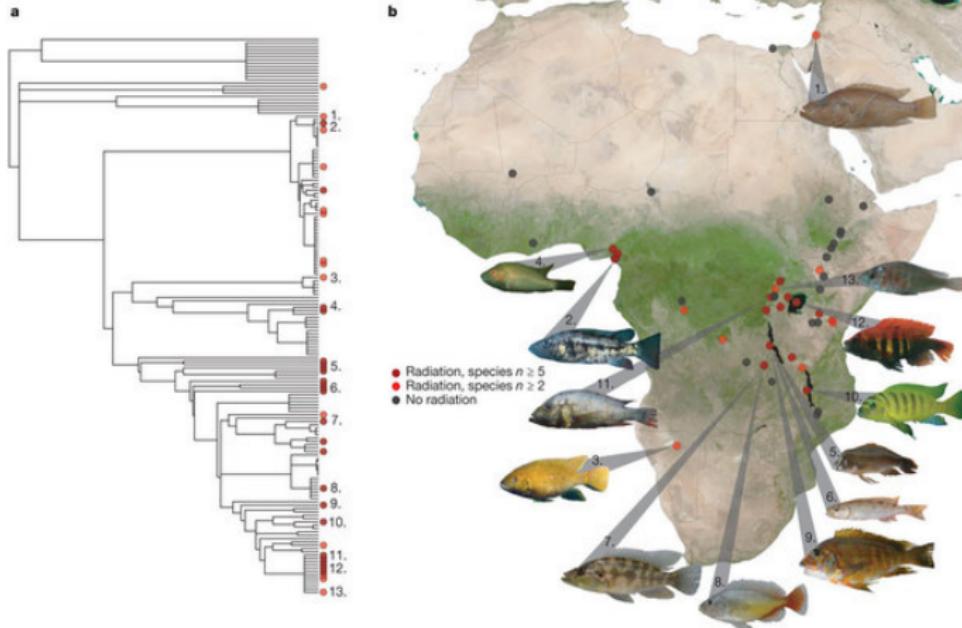
Fluctuating environments and gradients



Landscape dynamics and plate tectonics



Sexual selection



Wagner, C. E., et. al (2012). Ecological opportunity and sexual selection together predict adaptive radiation, *Nature*, 487:366-369.

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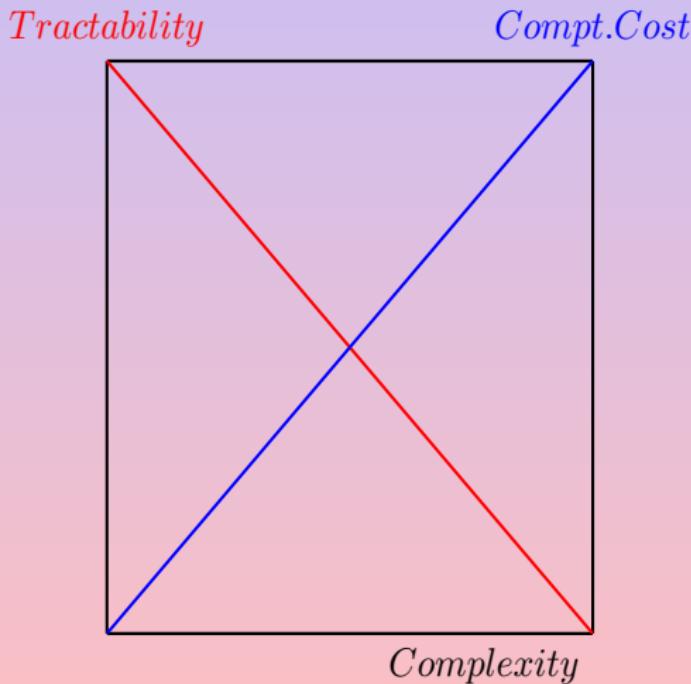
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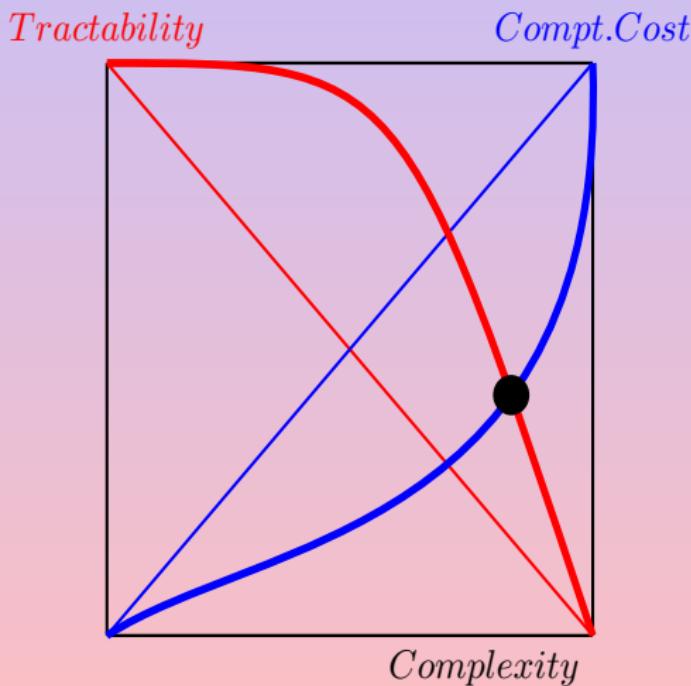
Merging theories?

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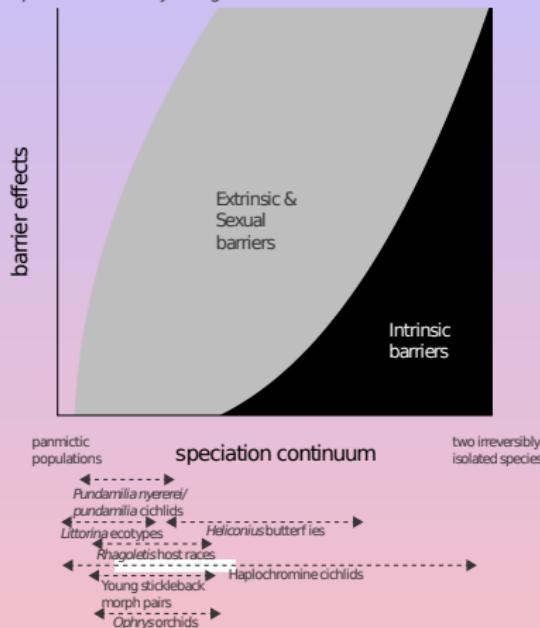
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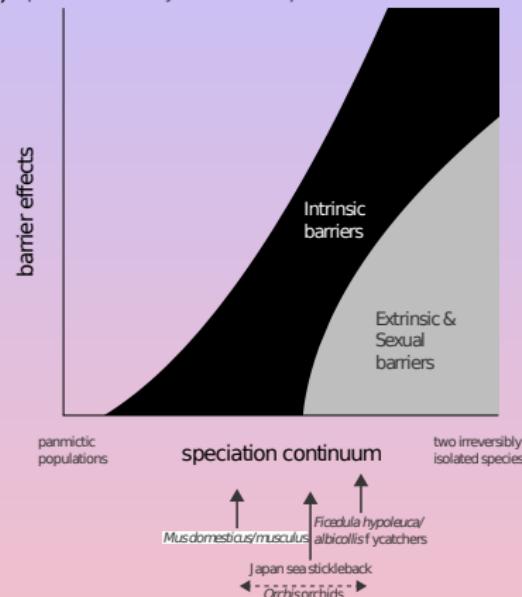
- ▶ Does neutral diversification predict the biogeography of hot and cold spots?

Ecological and non-ecological speciation

a) Speciation driven by divergent selection



b) Speciation driven by intrinsic incompatibilities



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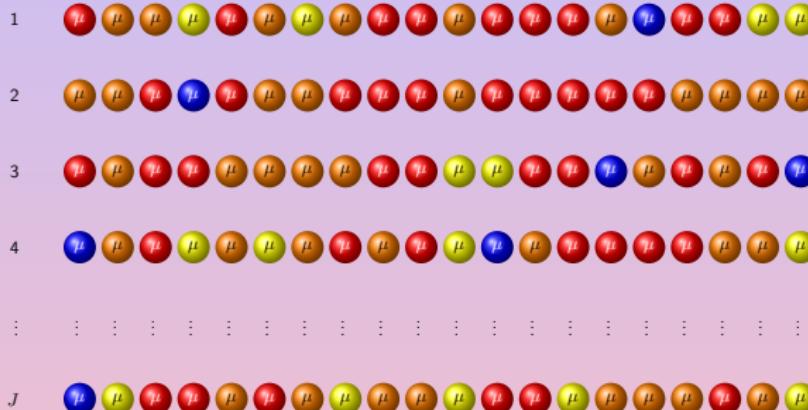
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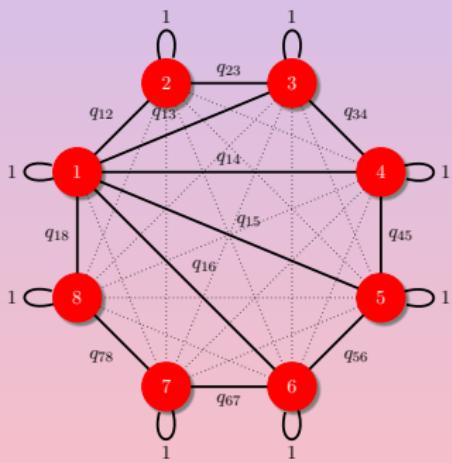
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Population size, \mathcal{J} , Genome size, \mathcal{L} , and mutation rate, μ



Genomes in a mating graph (threshold, \mathcal{Q}_{min}); $Q = [q_{ij}]$ and $q_{ij} > \mathcal{Q}_{min}$



$$Q = \begin{bmatrix} & 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 & 6 & 7 & 8 \\ 1 & 1 & q_{12} & q_{13} & q_{14} & q_{15} & q_{16} & 0 & q_{18} \\ 2 & q_{21} & 1 & q_{23} & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 3 & q_{31} & q_{32} & 1 & q_{34} & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 4 & q_{41} & 0 & q_{43} & 1 & q_{45} & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 5 & q_{51} & 0 & 0 & q_{54} & 1 & q_{56} & 0 & 0 \\ 6 & q_{61} & 0 & 0 & 0 & q_{65} & 1 & q_{67} & 0 \\ 7 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & q_{76} & 1 & q_{78} \\ 8 & q_{81} & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & q_{87} & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

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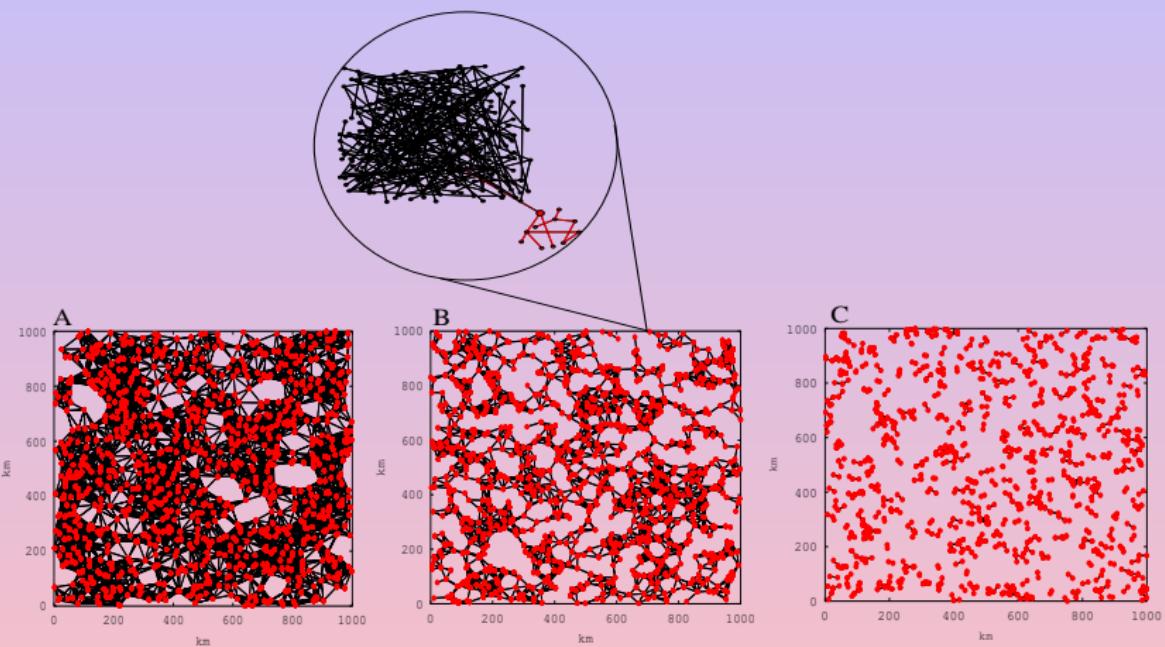
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Genomes in the landscape (threshold, \mathcal{D}_{max}); $D = [d_{ij}]$ and $d_{ij} \leq D_{max}$



Gene flow, (\mathcal{M})

Symmetric gene flow

$$m_{ij}^k = \frac{\mathcal{M}}{d_{ij}} \quad (1)$$

Centripetal gene flow

$$m_{ij}^k = \begin{cases} \frac{\mathcal{M}}{d_{ij}} & \text{if } \sum_{l=1}^S d_{il} \leq \sum_{l=1}^S d_{jl}, \\ 0 & \text{if } \sum_{l=1}^S d_{il} > \sum_{l=1}^S d_{jl} \end{cases} \quad (2)$$

Centrifugal gene flow

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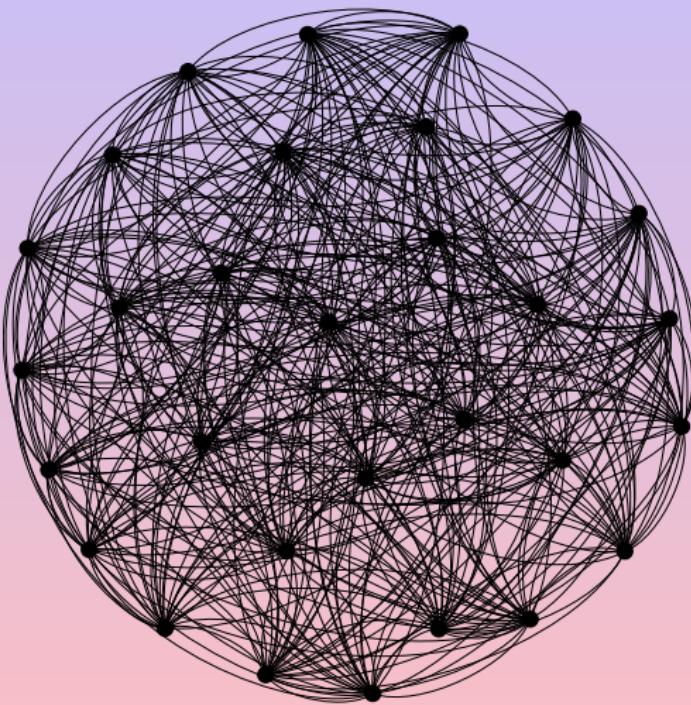
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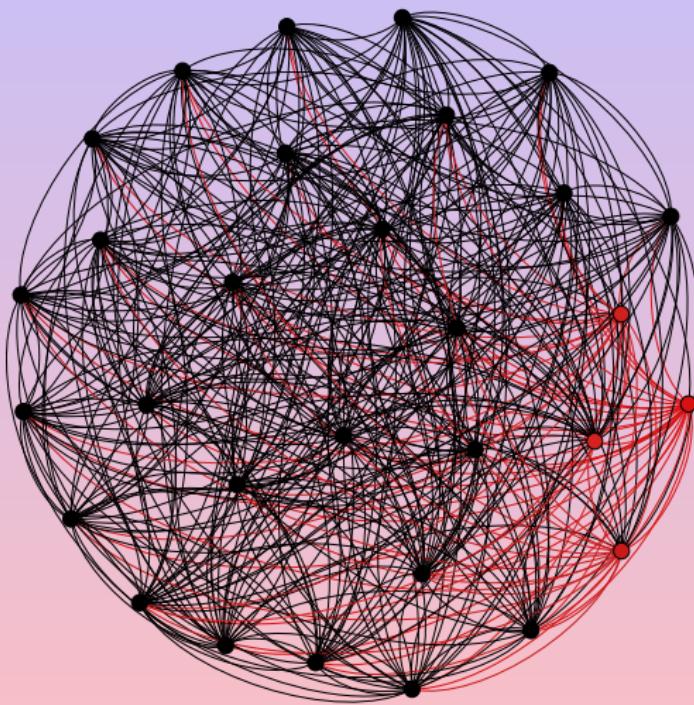
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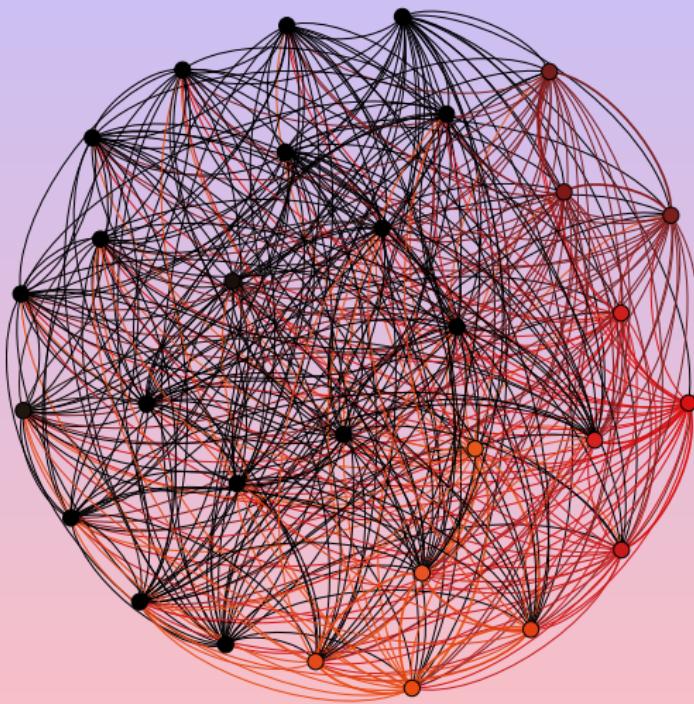
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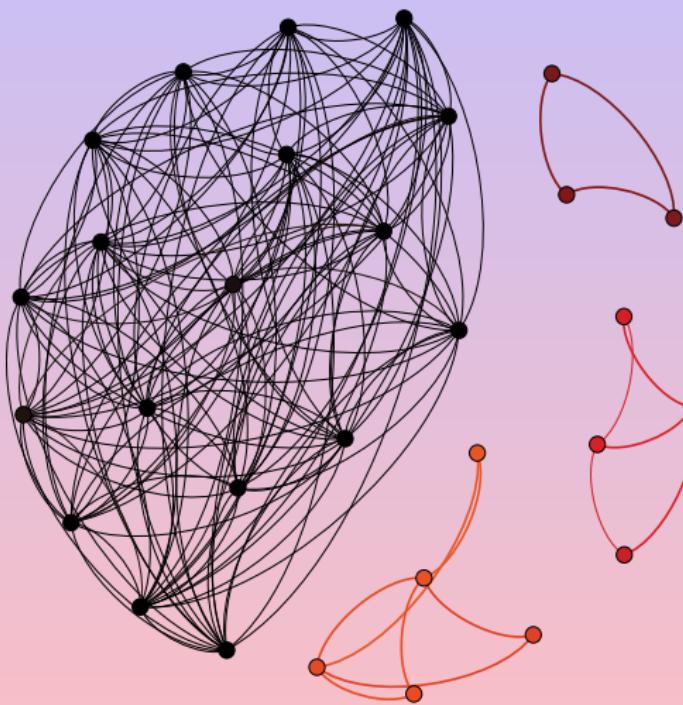
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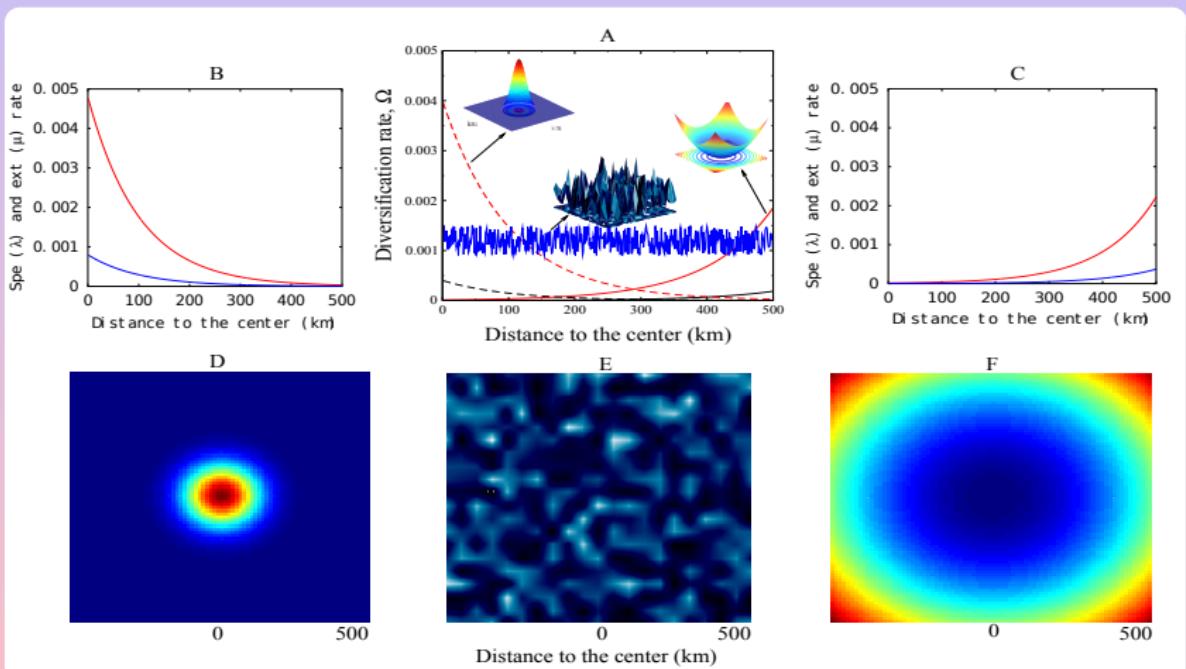
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- ▶ Given \mathcal{J} , μ , $\mathcal{D}_{max} = 1$, and $\mathcal{Q}_{min} > Q^* \rightarrow Q^* = \frac{1}{4J\mu+1}$
Sexual reproduction: $\rightarrow n_{sex}^* = \frac{\log(\mathcal{Q}_{min})}{-2\mu + \log[(\mathcal{Q}_{min}+3)/4]}$

Hot and cold spots ($\mathcal{J}, \mathcal{L}, \mu, \mathcal{Q}_{min}, \mathcal{D}_{max}, \mathcal{M}$)



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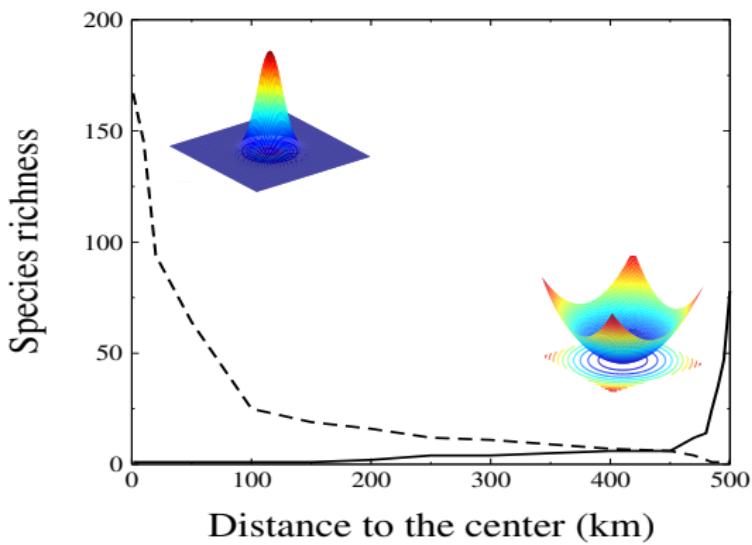
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Hot spots and species richness



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- ▶ **CHALLENGE:** Realistic (and testable) diversification models to infer the mechanisms predicting large scale biodiversity patterns

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Thank you!

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