# The analysis of spatial data: individual movements and species and community models

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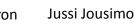


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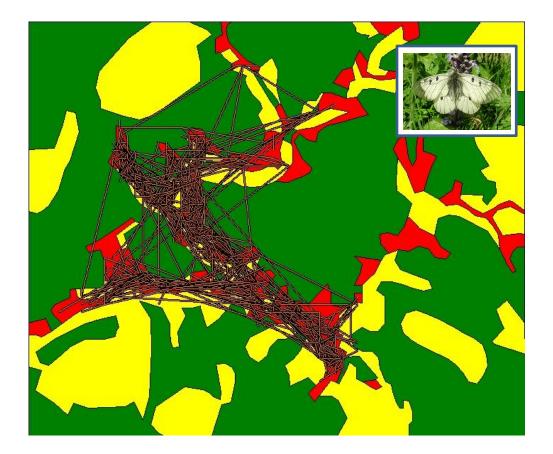
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#### movements, populations, communities, genetics, evolution, bioinformatics

# Movement plays a central role in ecology

- All organisms move!
- Understanding movement is central to all questions in spatial ecology
- Applications (monitoring, managing and conserving populations) often require an understanding of movement.
- Habitats are fragmenting can the organisms move between the fragments?
- Climate is changing can the organisms move to the areas where climate will be suitable in the future?

### Mark-recapture on butterfly movement



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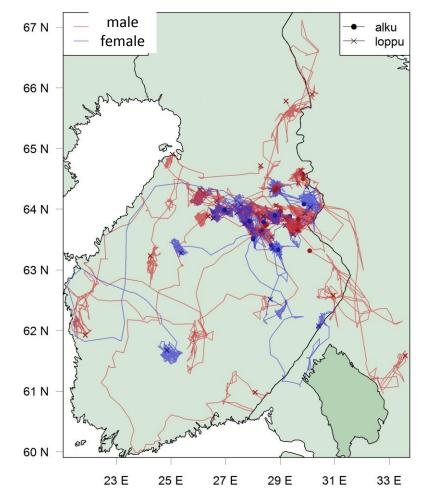
## GPS data on wolf, bear, lynx, moose, forest reindeer, ...





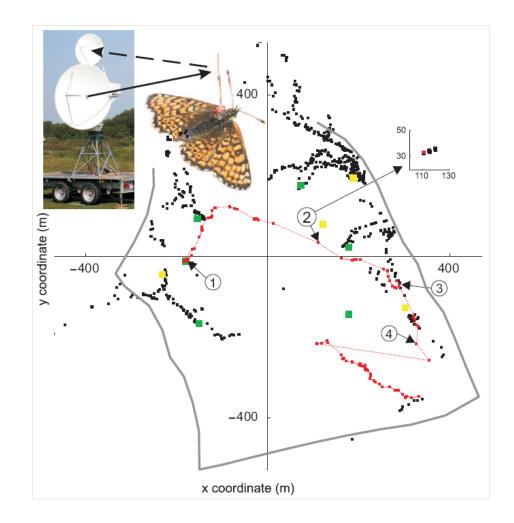
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#### Movements by GPS collared wolves (2002-2008)



Source: Ilpo Kojola / GFR

### Harmonic radar butterfly movement



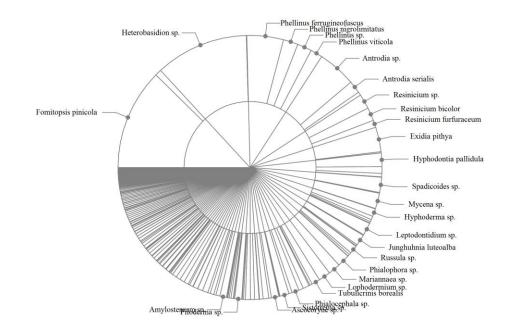
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## DNA data on dispersing fungal spores

Veera Norros collecting spore samples with a cyclone sampler







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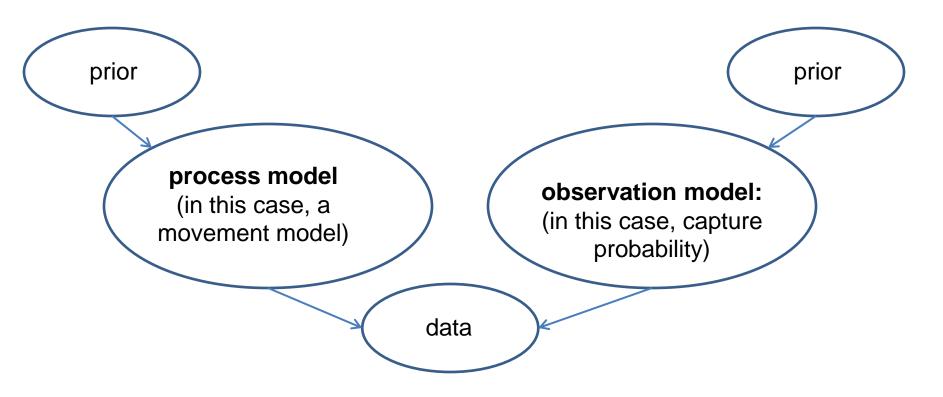
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### **Bayesian state-space approach**



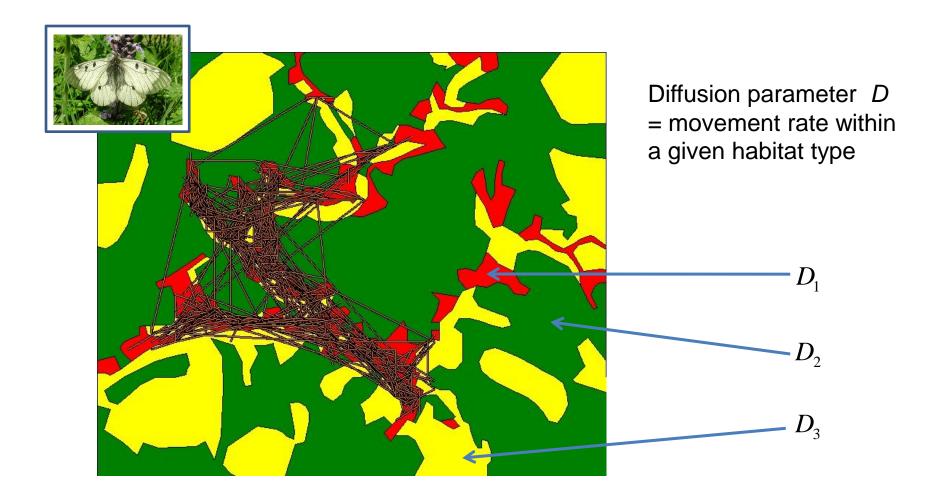
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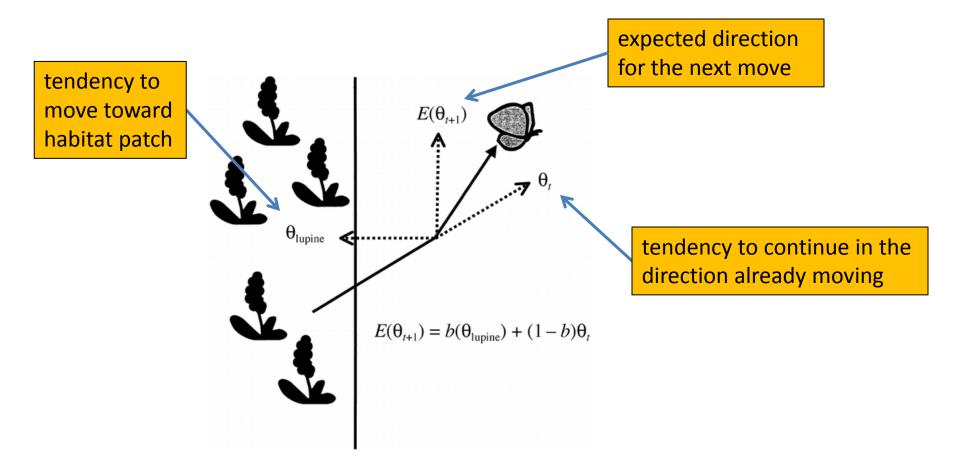
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### A model of animal movement in heterogeneous space

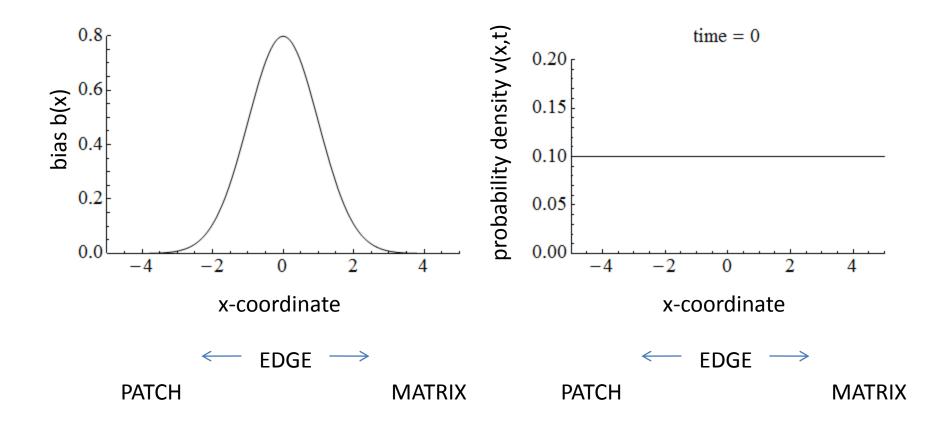


### Edge-mediated behavior (habitat selection at edges)



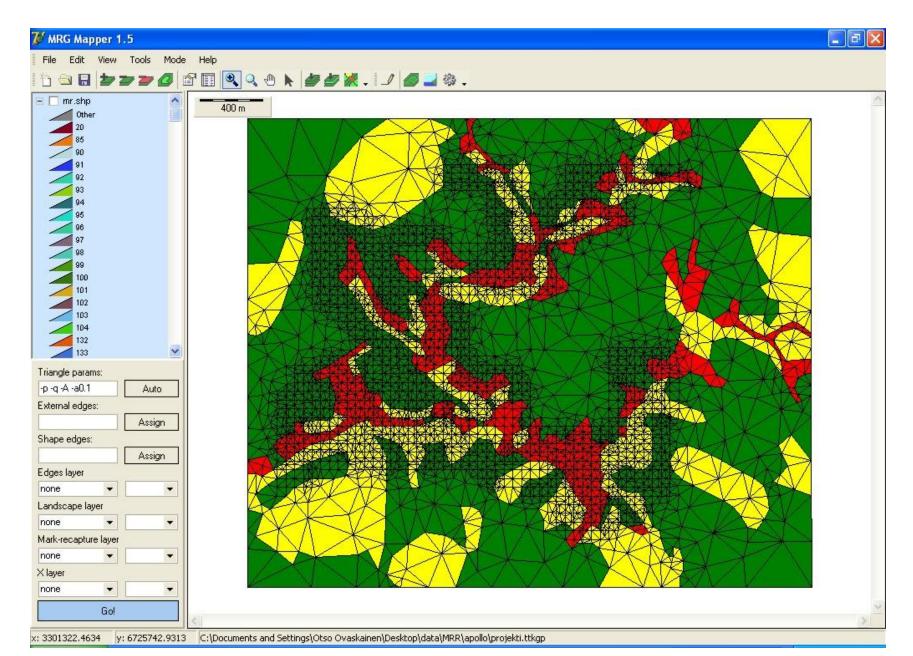
Schultz, C. B., and E. E. Crone. 2001. Edge-mediated dispersal behavior in a prairie butterfly. *Ecology* **82**, 1879-1892.

# Edge-mediated behaviour pushes the individual towards the preferred habitat

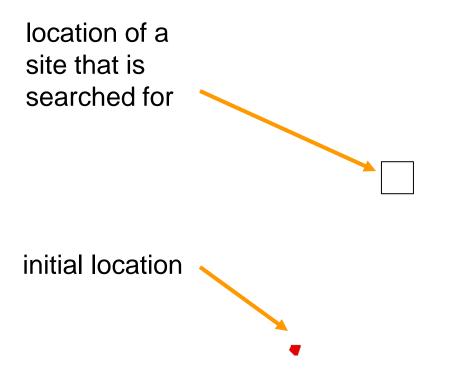


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## Solving the diffusion model numerically

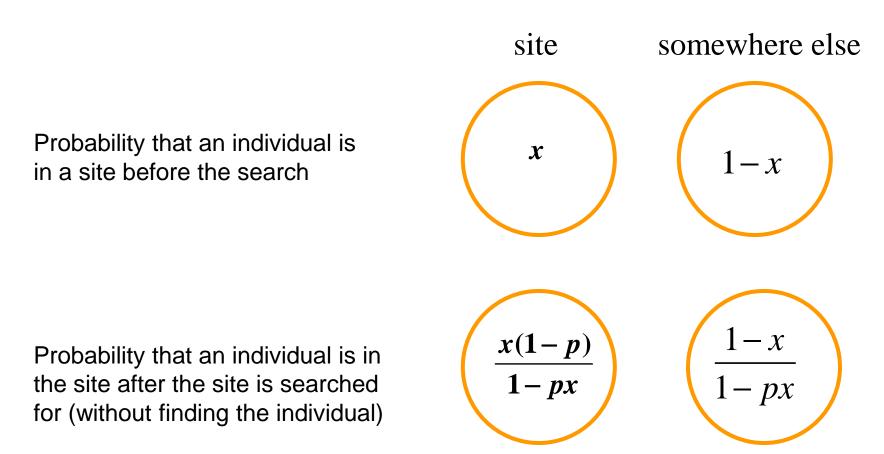


## Simulating the time-evolution of the probability density



# Searching but not finding gives information

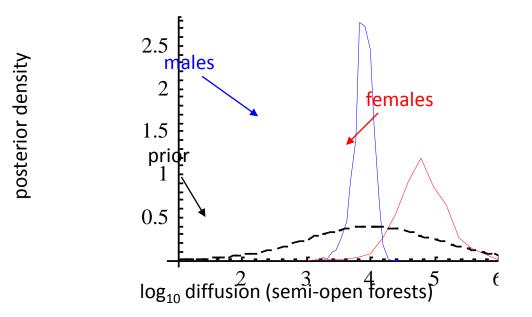
The capture probability *p* is the probability of observing an individual given that it actually is at the site



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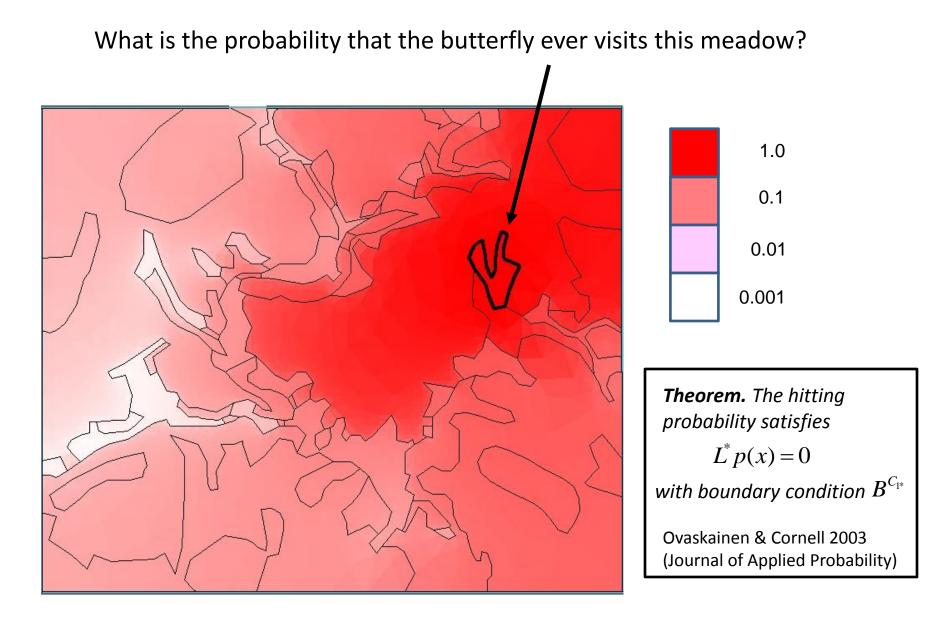
# **Example of biological inference**

Females move faster than males outside the breeding habitat

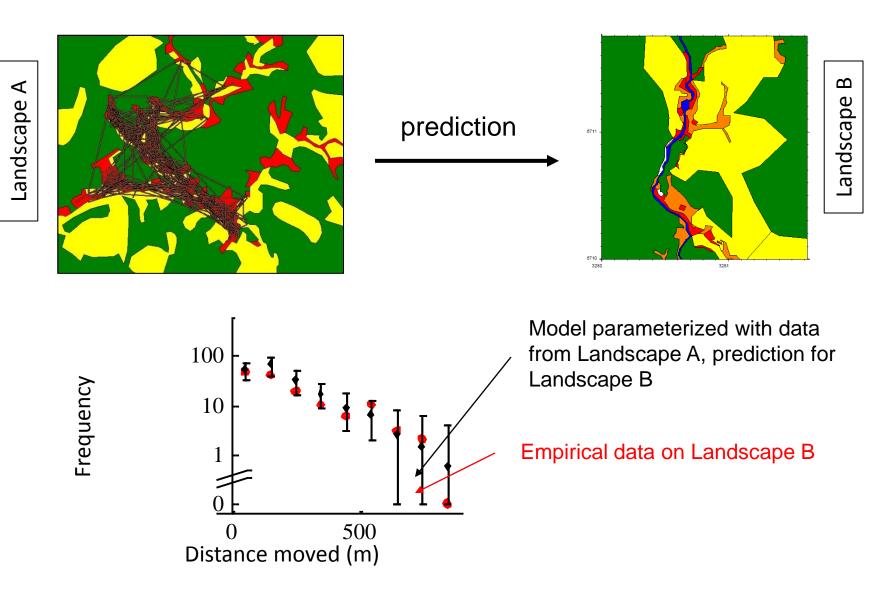


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## **Example of model prediction**

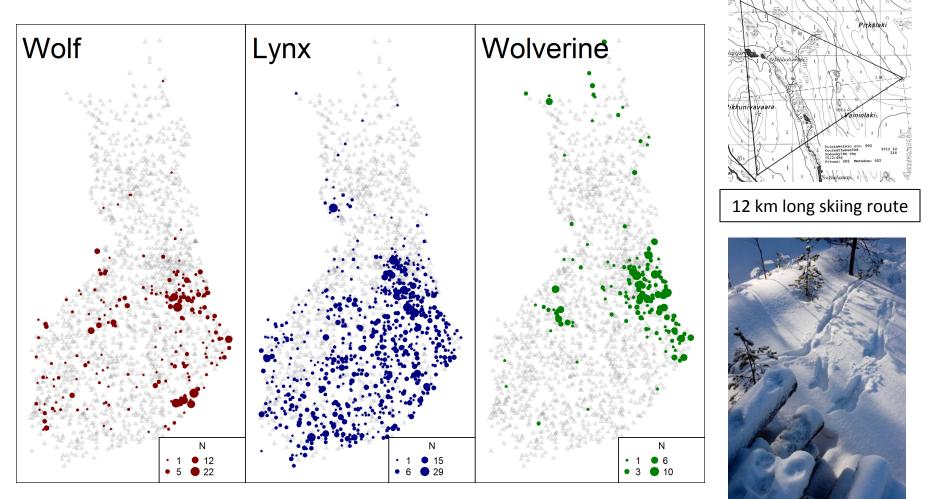


# Example of model validation



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Example of population-level data: winter track data have been collected in Finland for ca. 30 game animal species since 1989

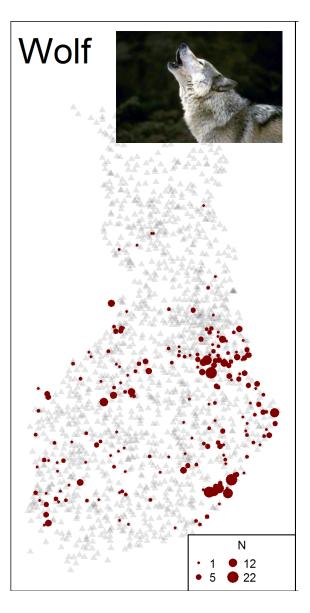


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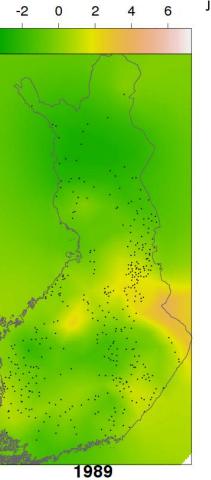
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# Spatio-temporal statistics (with INLA)









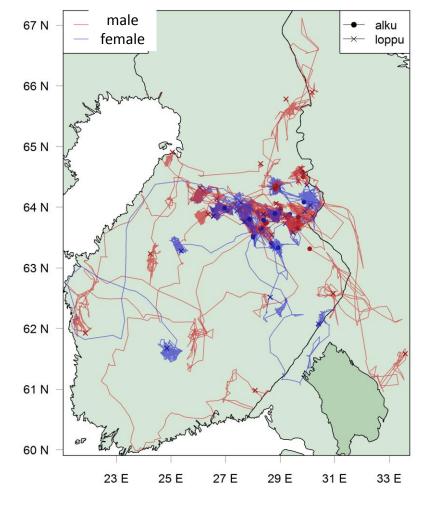
Number of tracks / km of searching effort

### GPS data on wolf movement





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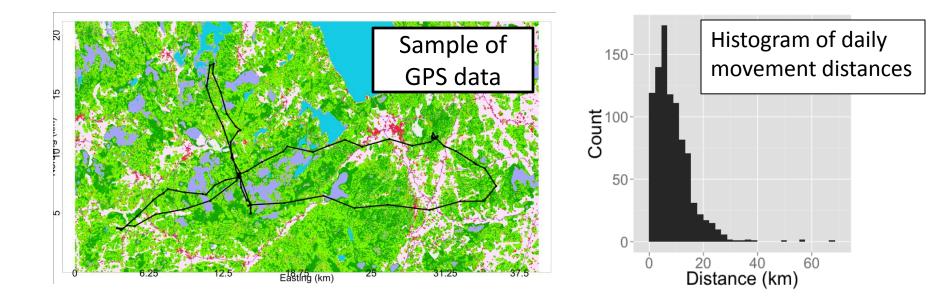


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Gurarie, E., Suutarinen, J., Kojola, I. and Ovaskainen, O. (2011)

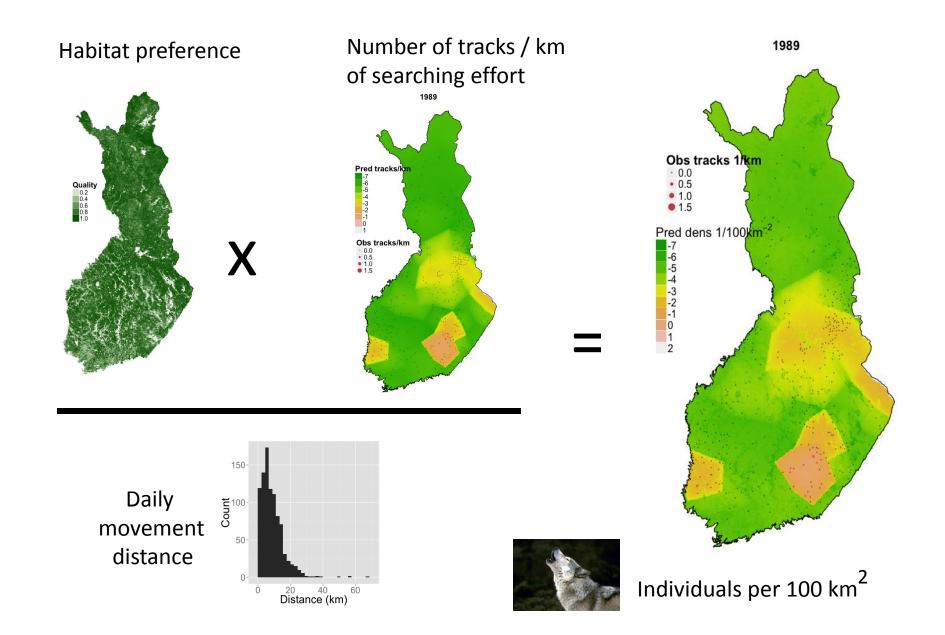
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### GPS data tells about movement distances and habitat use

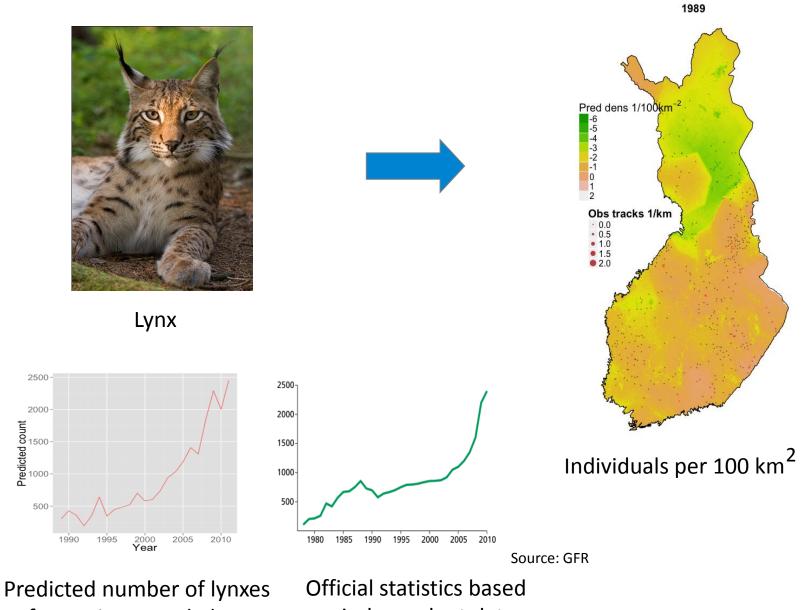


|                     | Urban | Field | Forest | Bog  | Water |
|---------------------|-------|-------|--------|------|-------|
| Expected use        | 0.04  | 0.08  | 0.69   | 0.08 | 0.11  |
| Realized use        | 0.01  | 0.00  | 0.94   | 0.04 | 0.01  |
| Relative preference | 0.13  | 0.02  | 1.00   | 0.39 | 0.06  |

## Correcting population density by habitat preferences



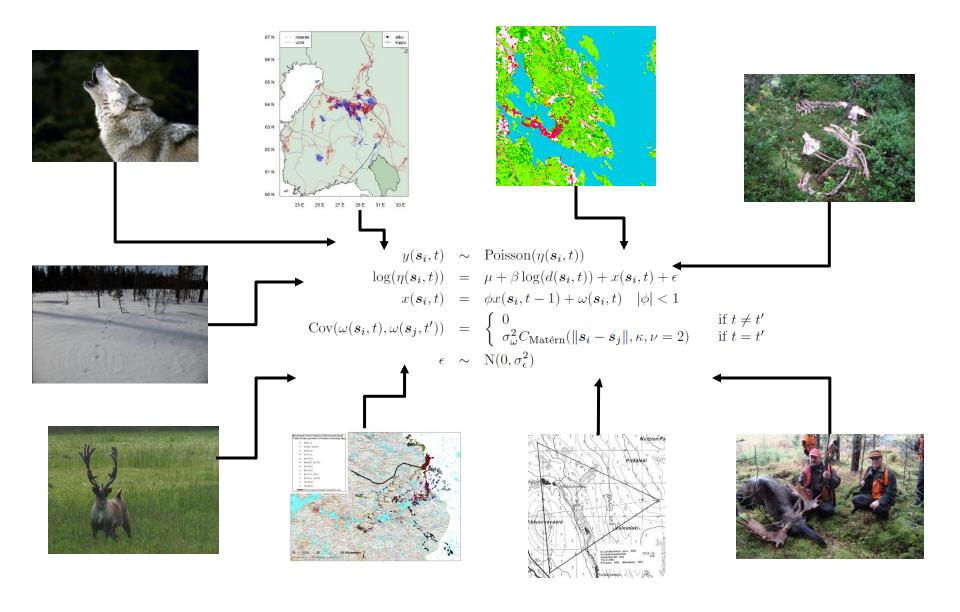
### Comparison to independent data



from winter track data

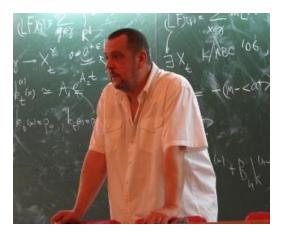
on independent data

### Long-term aim: integrate information from various data sources



Mathematical methods for spatiotemporal point processes

We talk about marked point processes...



...or Markov evolutions in the space of locally finite configurations... <section-header>

Statistical Analysis

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...and these models can be written down as a spatial moment equation



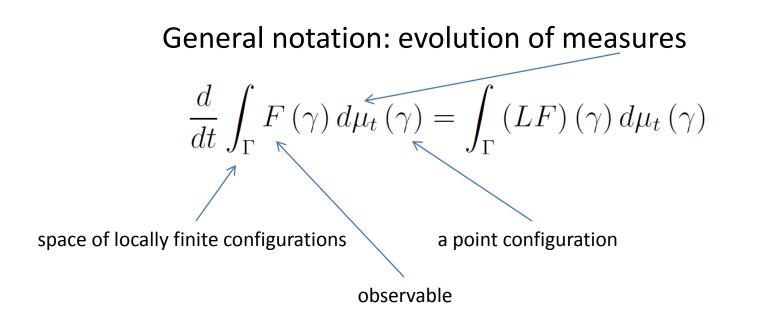
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### Markov evolutions in the space of finite configurations

Configuration space 
$$\Gamma = \left\{ \gamma \subset \mathbb{R}^d : |\gamma \cap \Lambda| < \infty \right\}$$

Particles may

- follow birth-death dynamics
- move by jumps
- have marks (e.g. resource-consumer, predator-prey, genotypes)
- interact with other particles (or groups of particles)



### Example model: spatial logistic model

$$(LF) (\gamma) = \sum_{x \in \gamma} \left( m + \sum_{y \in \eta \setminus x} a^{-} (x - y) \right) [F(\gamma \setminus x) - F(\gamma)]$$
  
 
$$+ \sum_{y \in \gamma} \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} a^{+} (x - y) [F(\gamma \cup x) - F(\gamma)] dx.$$

# Mathematical methods of predicting such how models behave

#### Space and stochasticity in population dynamics

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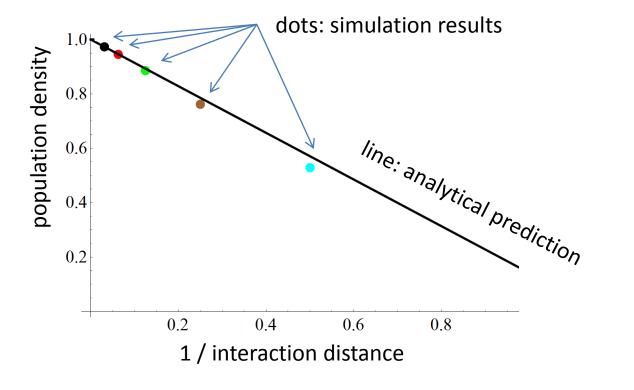
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**Example model:** spatial logistic model

# Summer 2012: research program in stochastic dynamics in Bielefeld / Germany



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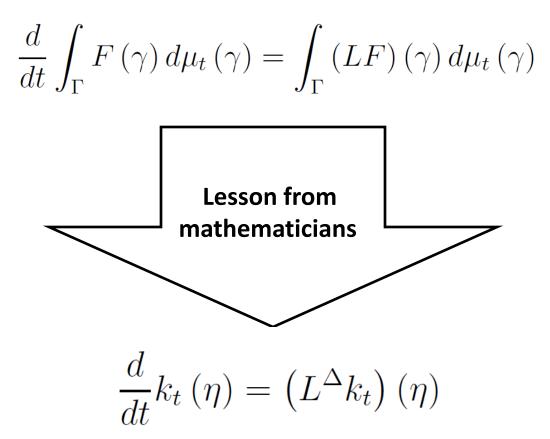
Four months, ca. 100 participants, with expertise in mathematics, physics and spatial ecology

# Translating mathematics to biology and vice versa

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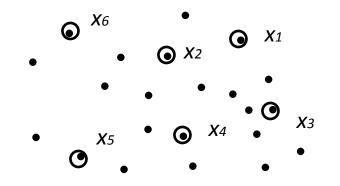
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# Evolution of measures (model definition, what the individuals do?)



Evolution of correlation functions (how the model behaves, what the population does)?

# **Correlation functions**



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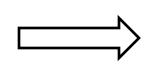
$$\int_{\Gamma} \sum_{\{x_1,\dots,x_n\} \subset \gamma} f^{(n)}(x_1,\dots,x_n) \, d\mu(\gamma) = \frac{1}{n!} \int_{(\mathbb{R}^d)^n} f^{(n)}(x_1,\dots,x_n) \, k_{\mu}^{(n)}(x_1,\dots,x_n) \, dx_1\dots dx_n.$$
(1.1)

Vector of all correlation functions:  $k_{\mu} = (k_{\mu}^{(n)})_{n \ge 0}$ 

# Example: spatial logistic model

"Model definition"

$$(LF)(\gamma) = \sum_{x \in \gamma} \left( m + \sum_{y \in \eta \setminus x} a^{-} (x - y) \right) [F(\gamma \setminus x) - F(\gamma)] + \sum_{y \in \gamma} \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} a^{+} (x - y) [F(\gamma \cup x) - F(\gamma)] dx.$$



"How the model behaves?"

$$\begin{split} (L^{\Delta}k)(\eta) &= -\left(m|\eta| + \sum_{x \in \eta} \sum_{y \in \eta \setminus x} a^{-}(x-y)\right) k(\eta) \\ &- \sum_{y \in \eta} \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} a^{-}(x-y)k(\eta \cup x)dx \\ &+ \sum_{y \in \eta} \left(\sum_{x \in \eta \setminus y} a^{+}(x-y)\right) k(\eta \setminus y) \\ &+ \sum_{y \in \eta} \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} a^{+}(x-y)k((\eta \setminus y) \cup x)dx \end{split}$$

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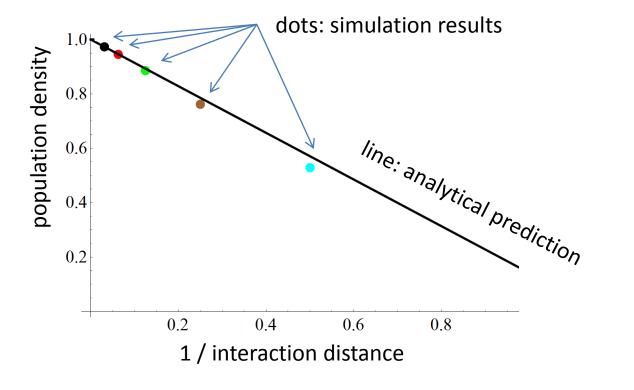
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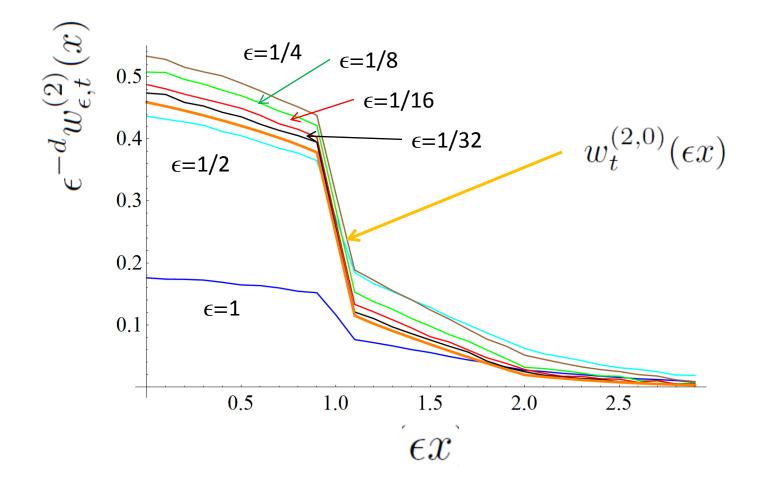


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**Example model:** spatial logistic model

# Example: second truncated correlation function



# Ingredients for cooking your model

(Ovaskainen, Cornell, Bolker, Kutovyi, Finkelshtein and Kontratiev, in prep.)

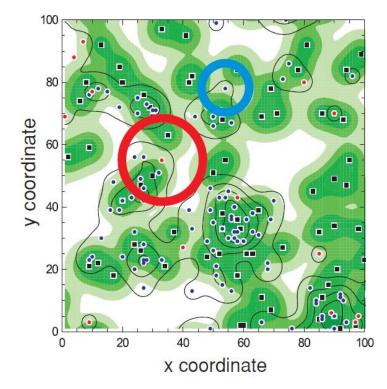
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# Conclusions

- State-space models combine a process model with an observation model. They allow one to bring biological knowledge into statistical inference, combine different data sources and use data with missing observations.
- Movement models can be integrated into models of demographic, genetic and evolutionary dynamics. Bringing different kinds of information together can help to get a more full picture.
- Hierarchical modeling approaches make it possible to build communitylevel models from species-specific considerations. Such approaches allow one to assess the influences of different kinds of factors (environmental covariates, species interactions, phylogenetic effects, ...) on community structure.

## The method applies to a wide range of models

#### Case study 1: evolution of dispersal distance

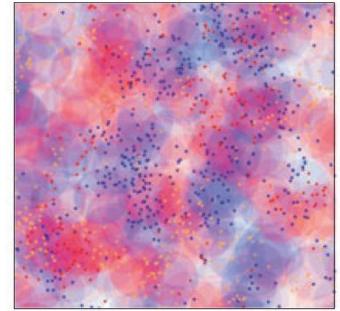


North, Cornell and Ovaskainen. Evolution 2011



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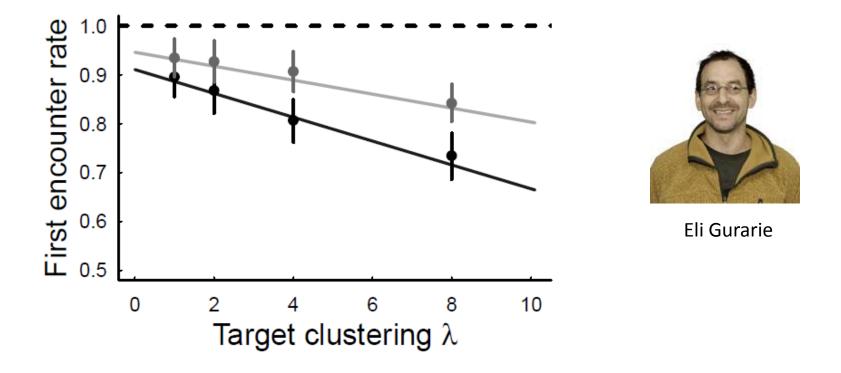
Case study 2: local adaptation



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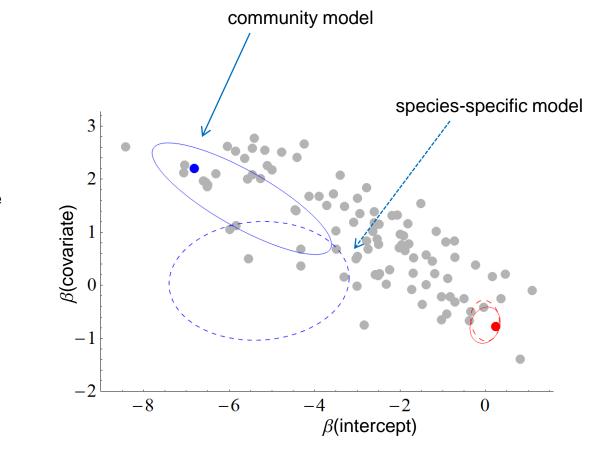
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Case study 3: encounter rates between searcher (e.g. predators) and targets (e.g. prey)



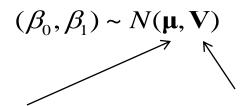
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# The community model gives improved estimates for species-specific parameters



The ellipses show the 75% quantiles of the parameter estimates

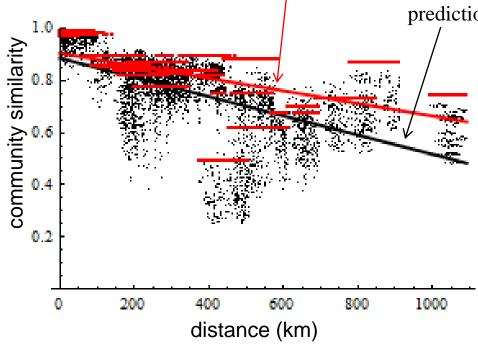
#### Inference based on the community-level parameters



Mean response (over species) to the covariates

Variation (among species) in response to the covariates, and correlation between pairs of covariates

#### prediction with spatial covariates only

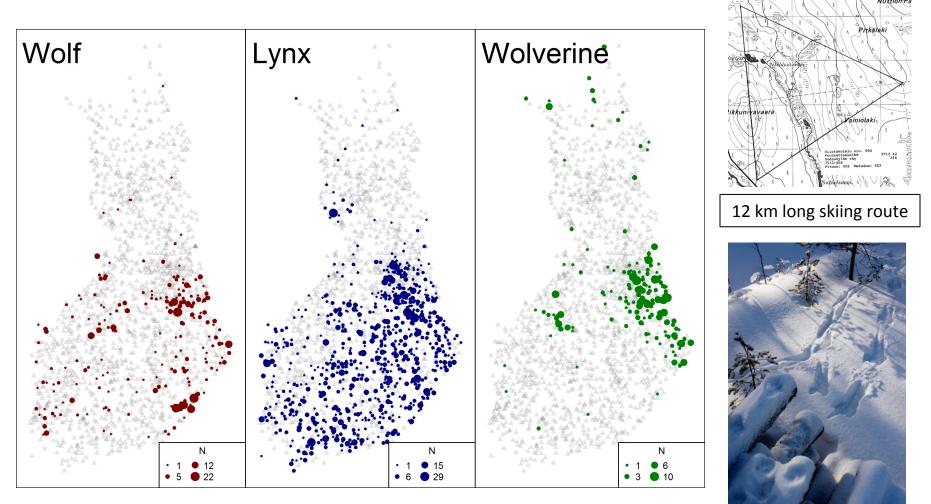


prediction with spatial and environmental covariates

35% of the distance decay can be attributed environmental covariates parameters, 65% to spatial covariates

Rare species are specialised to nutrient poor and high pH waters, whereas common species are generalists

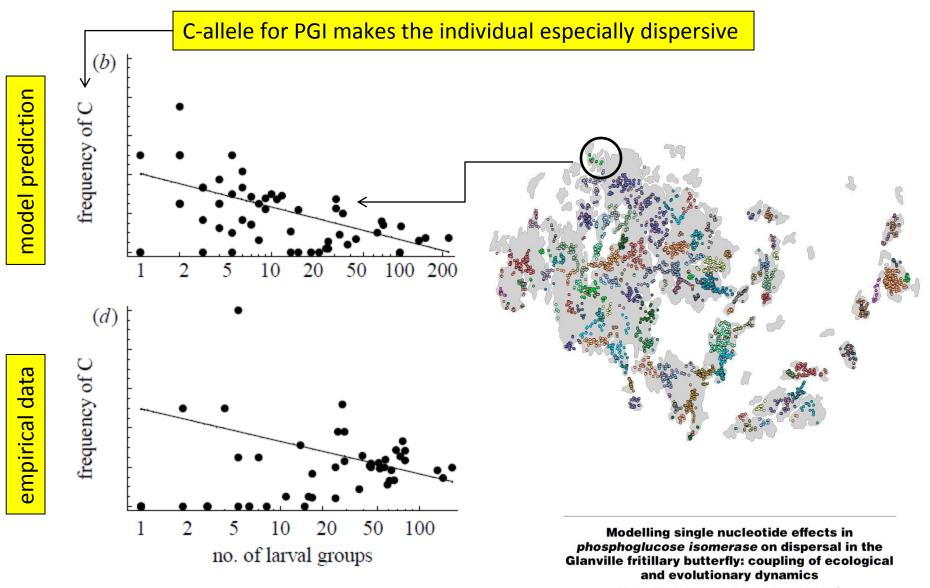
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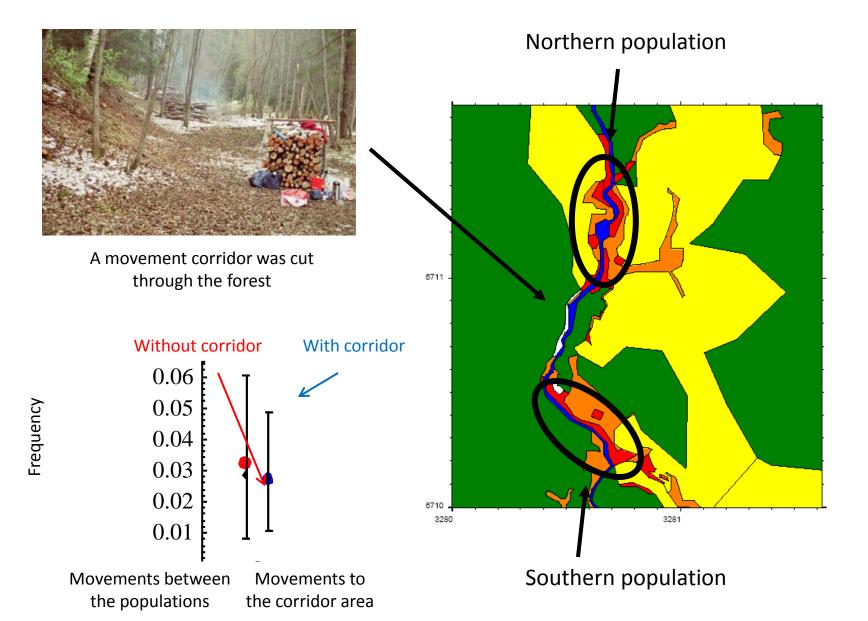
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#### Evolutionary dynamics (evolution of dispersal): model vs. data

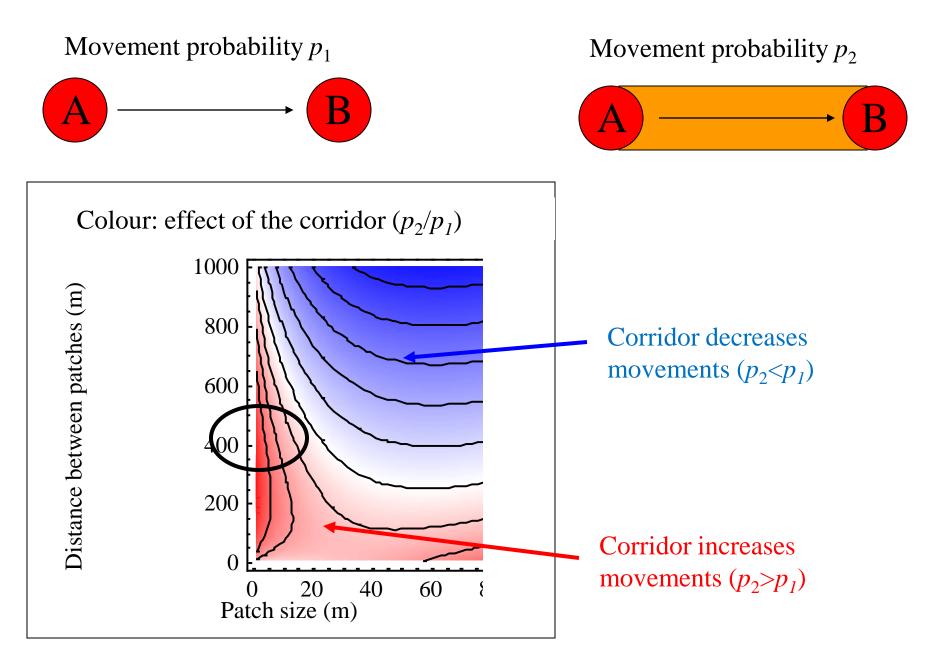


Chaozhi Zheng, Otso Ovaskainen and Ilkka Hanski\*

## The effect of a movement corridor



## What kind of a corridor would increase movements?



## The Levins metapopulation model

= cph(1-p)

- Dynamic variable: *p*, fraction of occupied patches
- Extinction rate e
- Amount of suitable habitat: h
- Colonization rate parameter *c*

Threshold condition for persistence:

dt fraction of occupied patches 0.8 0.6 0.4 0.2 5 10 15 20 time

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Levins, R. 1969. Some demographic and genetic consequences of environmental heterogeneity for biological control. Bull. Entomol. Soc. Am. 15, 237-240.

Lande, R. 1987. Extinction thresholds in demographic models for territorial populations. Am. Nat. 130, 624-635.



## The Hanski metapopulation model

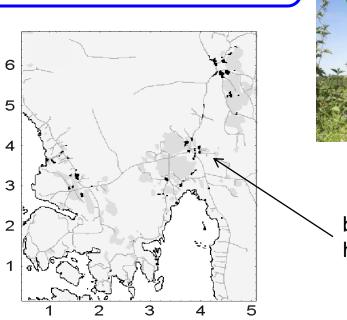
 $\frac{dp_i}{dp_i} = (\text{Colonization rate})_i (1 - p_i) - (\text{Extinction rate})_i p_i$ 

6 Dynamic variable: pi, the

- probability that patch *i* is occupied
- Extinction rate decreases with patch area

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Colonization rate increases with connectivity and patch area

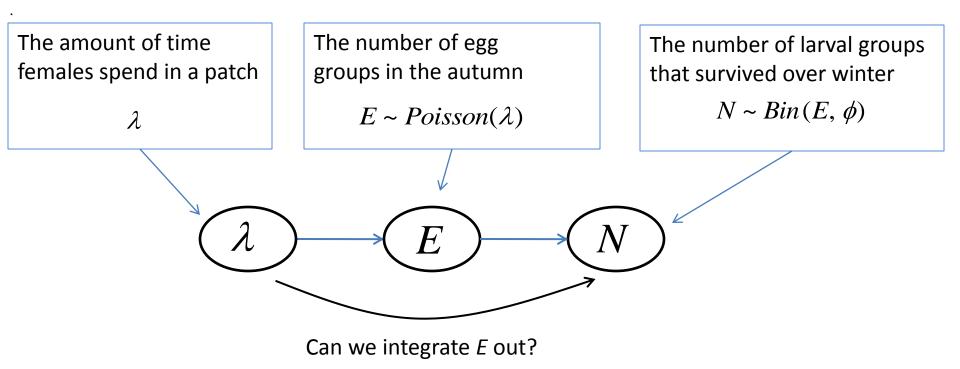


black dots: habitat patches

Threshold condition for persistence:  $\lambda_{M} > e / c$ 

Hanski, I. and Ovaskainen, O. 2000. The metapopulation capacity of a fragmented landscape. *Nature* **404**, 755-758.

# Deriving a stochastic patch occupancy model (SPOM) from the individual-based model (IBM)



The probability that no egg groups successfully spin a winter nest is

$$P[N=0] = (1-\phi)^E$$

Summing over the Poisson distribution gives  $P[N=0] = \exp(-\phi\lambda)$ 

#### Non-random co-occurrence among species

#### **Environmentally constrained null-models**

Fit species-specific models independently
Do a randomization test for the residuals

Peres-Neto. P. R., Olden, J. D. and Jackson, D. A. 2001. Environmentally constrained null models: site suitability as occupancy criterion. *Oikos* **93**, 110-120.

#### Multivariate species community models

1. Fit one model for the species community

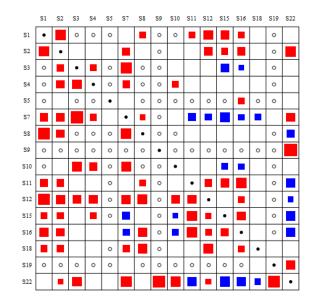
$$y_{ij} \sim x_j^T \beta_i + \varepsilon_{ij}$$

$$R_{ii'} = \operatorname{Cov}(\varepsilon_{ij}, \varepsilon_{i'j})$$

Ovaskainen, O., Hottola, J. and Siitonen, J. 2010. Modeling species co-occurrence by multivariate logistic regression generates new hypotheses on fungal interactions. *Ecology* **91**, 2514-2521.

Sebastián-Conzález, E., Sánchez-Zapata, J. A., Botella, F. and Ovaskainen, O. 2010. Testing the heterospecific attraction hypothesis with time-series data on species cooccurrence. *Proceedings of the Royal Society B: Biological Sciences* **277**, 2983-2990.

#### Matrix R

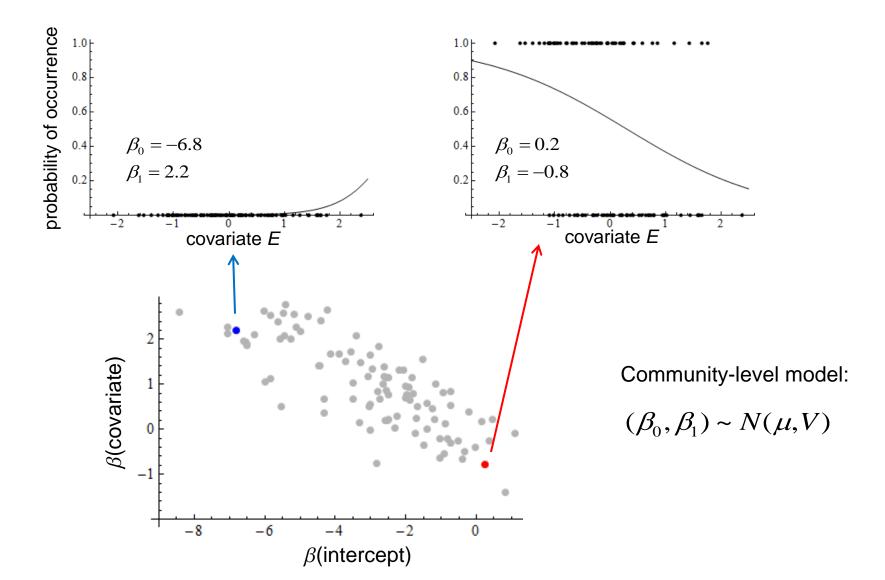


In wood decaying fungi, some species pairs co-occur more often and others less often than expected from independent occurrences

(after accounting for the covariates)

#### Shared responses to environmental covariates

Species-level model:  $P[y=1] = logit^{-1}(\beta_0 + \beta_1 E)$ 



## Testing the predictive power with real data (500 diatom species on 105 streams)

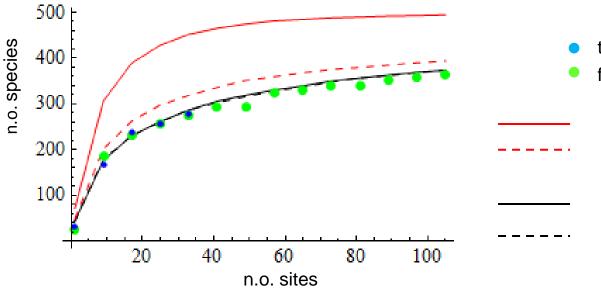
Species-level models:

$$y_{ij} \sim x_j^T \beta_i + \varepsilon_{ij}$$

Community-level model:

$$\beta_i \sim N(\mu, \Sigma)$$





training data

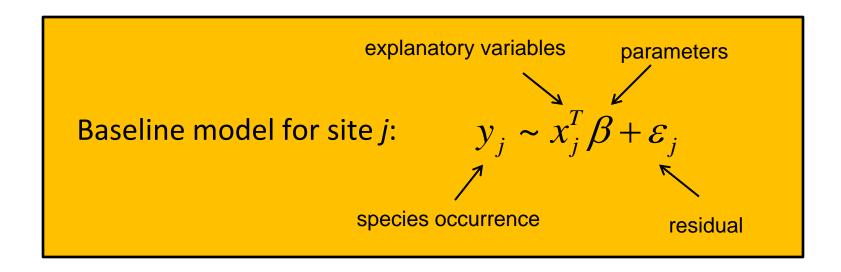
full data

independent models, prior 1 independent models, prior 2

community model, prior 1 community model, prior 2

Ovaskainen, O. and Soininen, J. 2011. Making more out of sparse data: hierarchical modeling of species communities. *Ecology* **92**, 289-295.

## **Hierarchical modelling approaches**



Spatial & spatio-temporal models:

$$\operatorname{Cov}(\varepsilon_{j},\varepsilon_{j'}) \neq 0$$

Multispecies models (*i*=species):

$$y_{ij} \sim x_j^T \beta_i + \varepsilon_{ij}$$

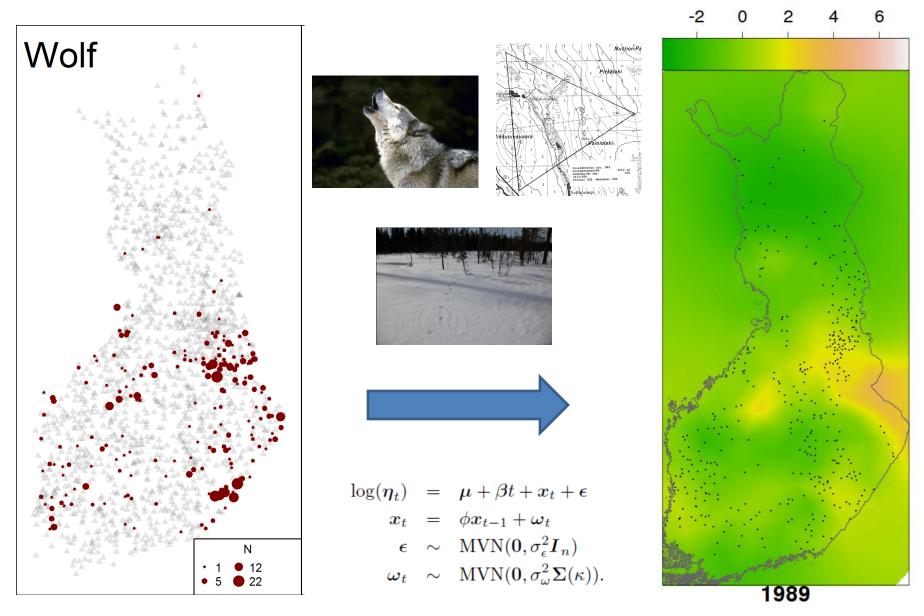
Co-occurrence patterns:

$$\operatorname{Cov}(\varepsilon_{ij},\varepsilon_{i'j}) \neq 0$$

Shared responses to covariates

 $\beta_i \sim \dots$ 

## Spatio-temporal models (with INLA)



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