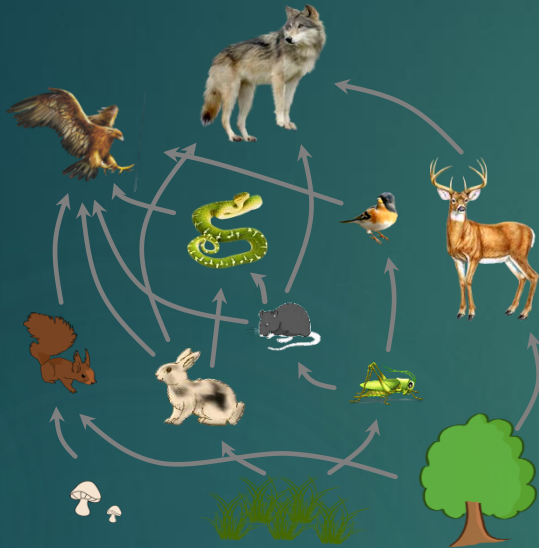




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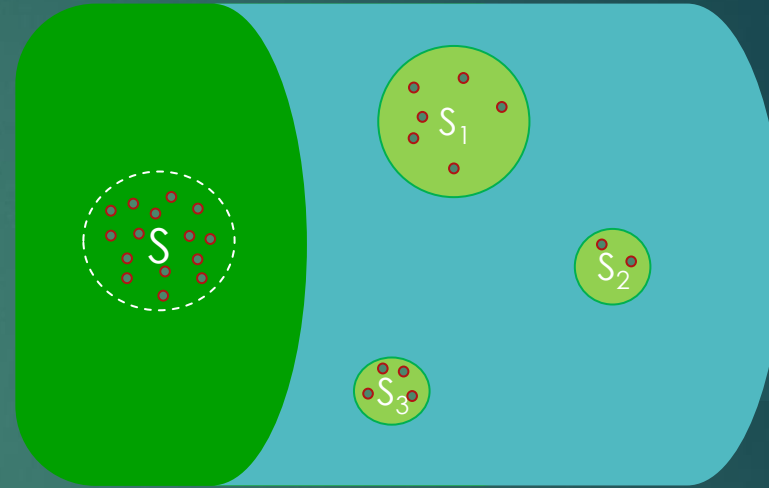
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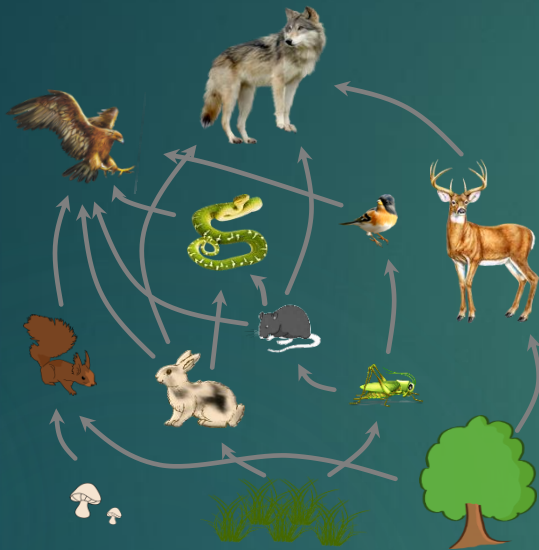
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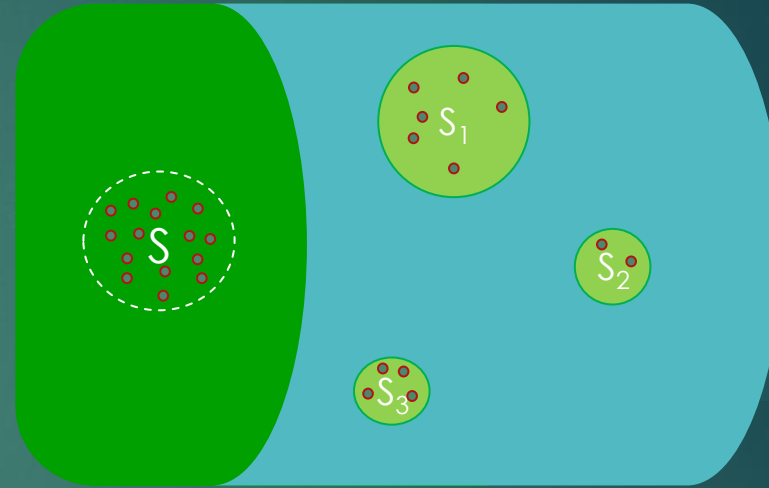
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Tool for conservation (SAR)

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What are the effects of **mainland** food web structural properties on colonization/extinction dynamics ?

Generating constrained food webs

- ▶ Constraints:
 - ▶ Number of species
 - ▶ Number of links
 - ▶ Proportion of basal species
 - ▶ Degree distribution

Cascade model	Niche model	Generalized Cascade model
✓	✓	✓
In expectation	In expectation	In expectation
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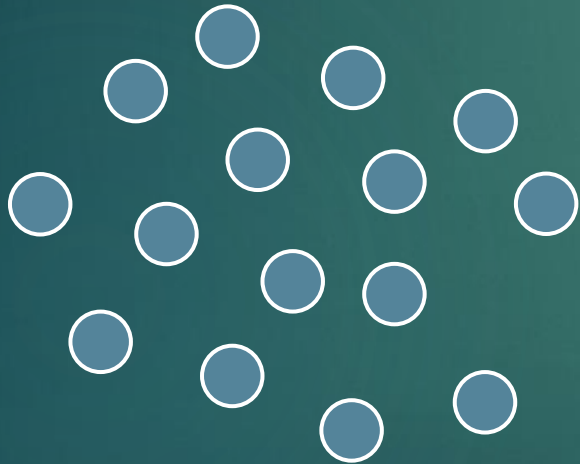
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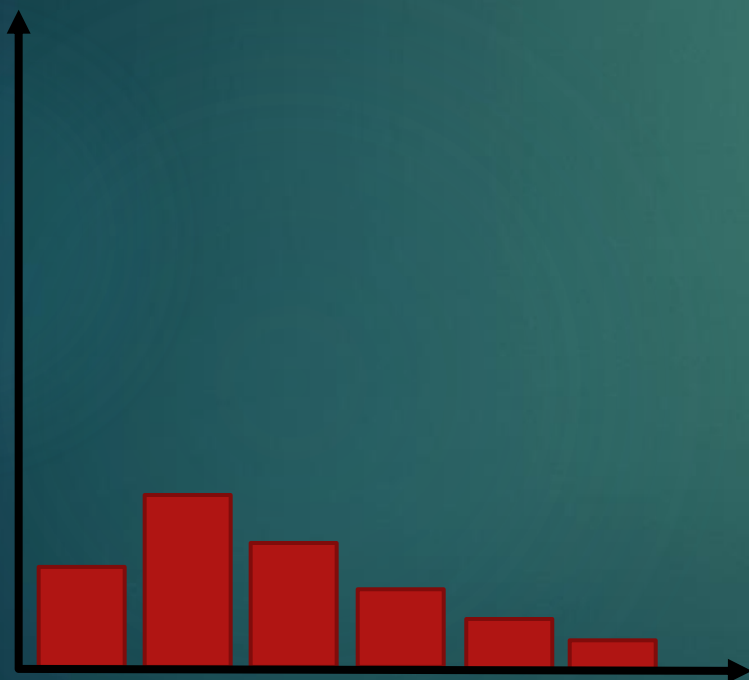


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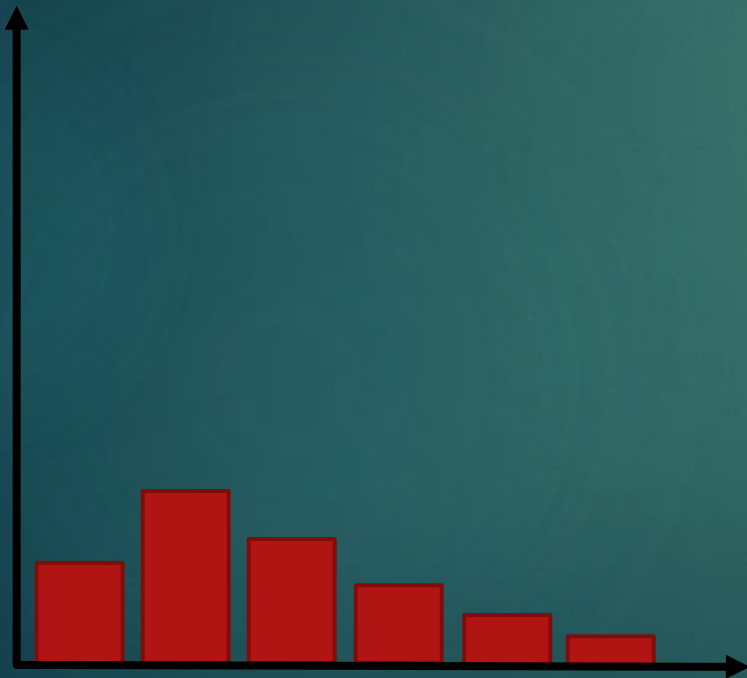
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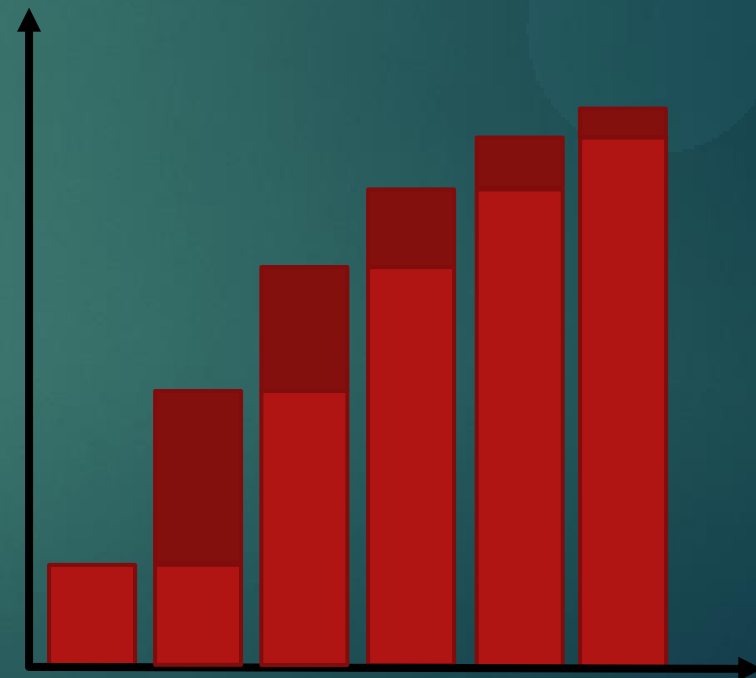
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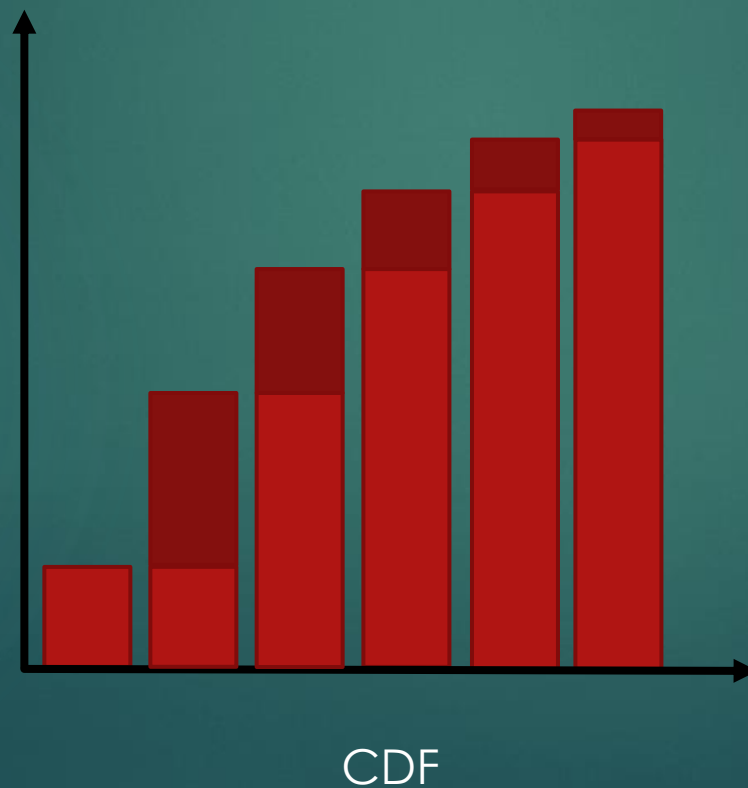
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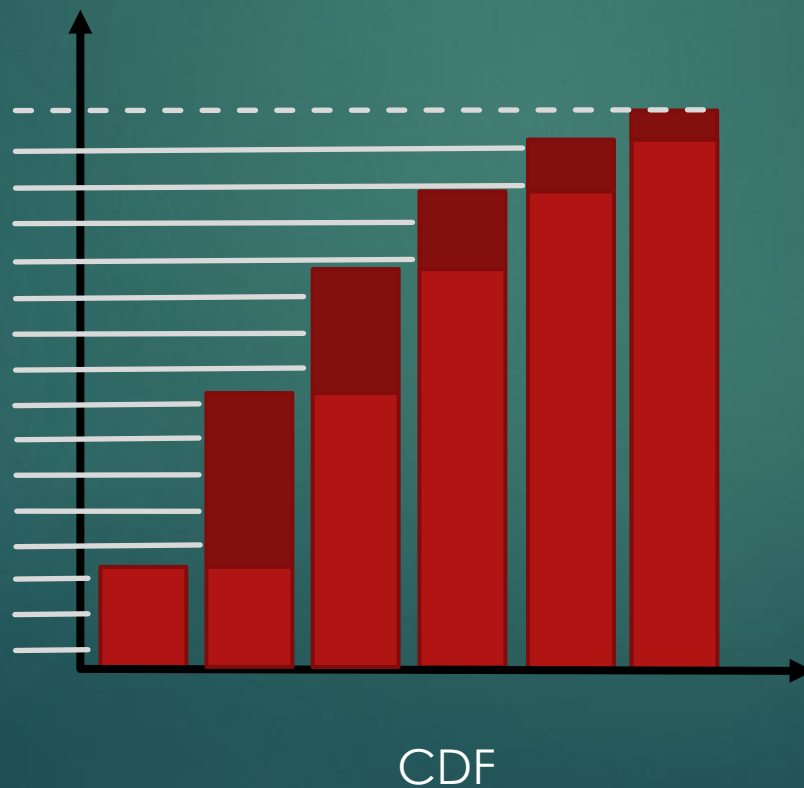
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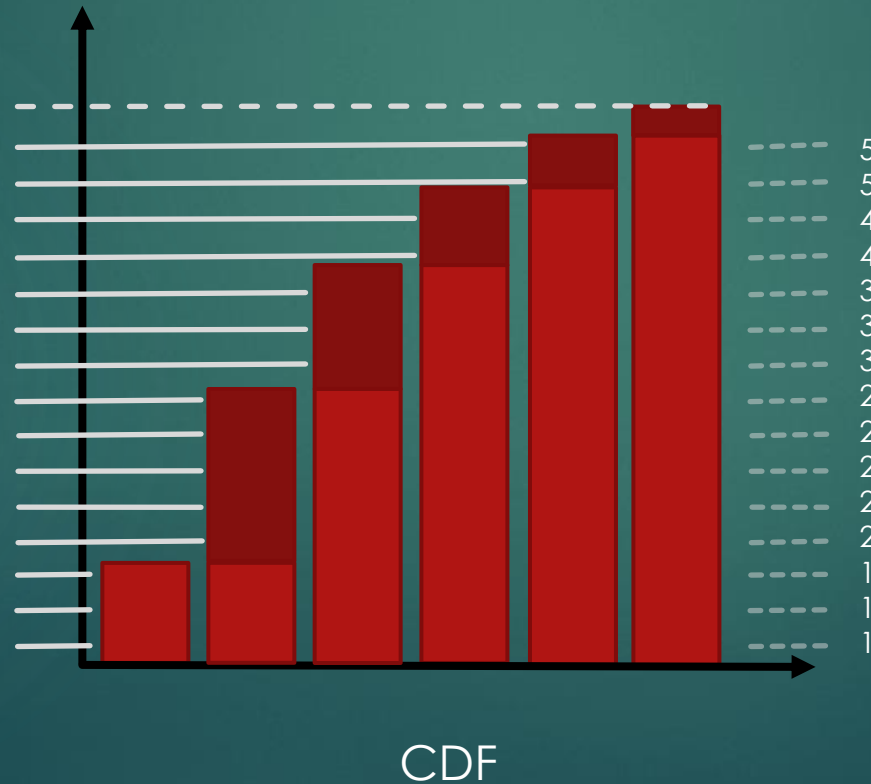
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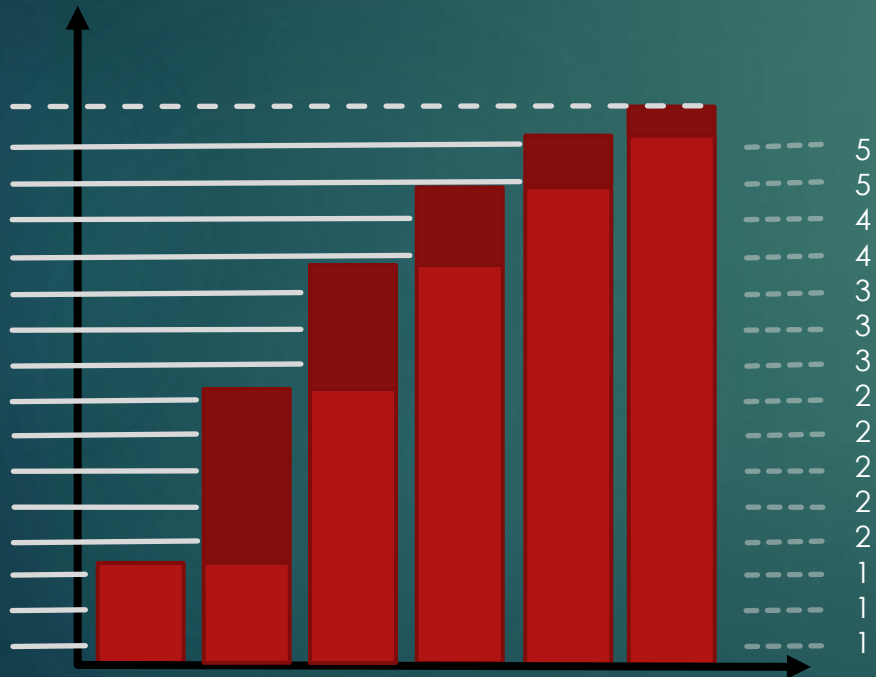
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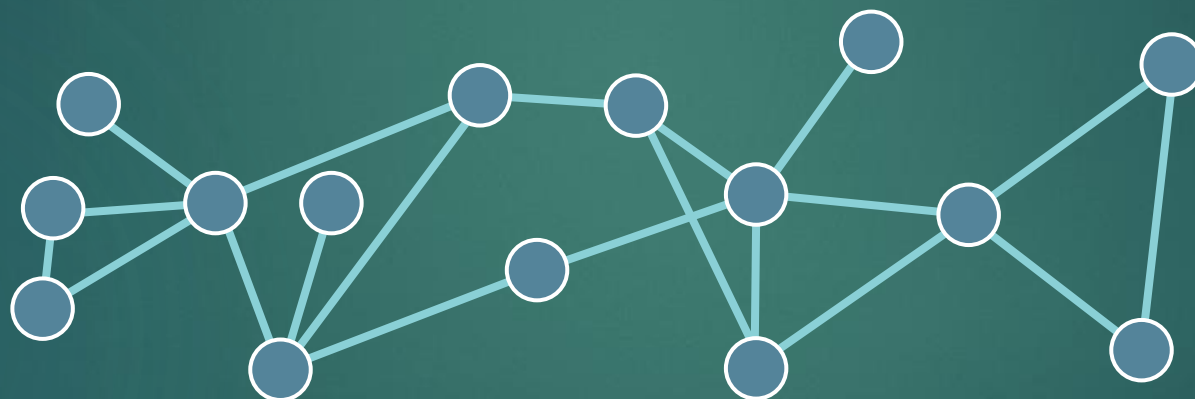
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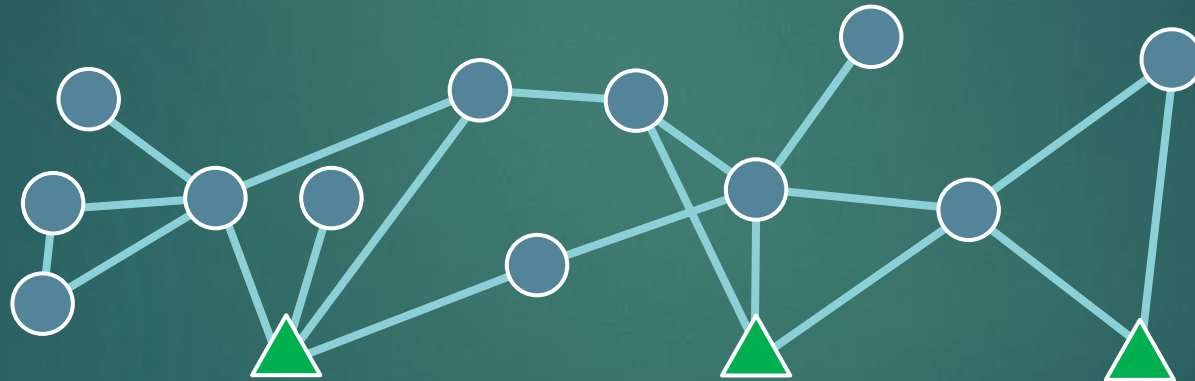
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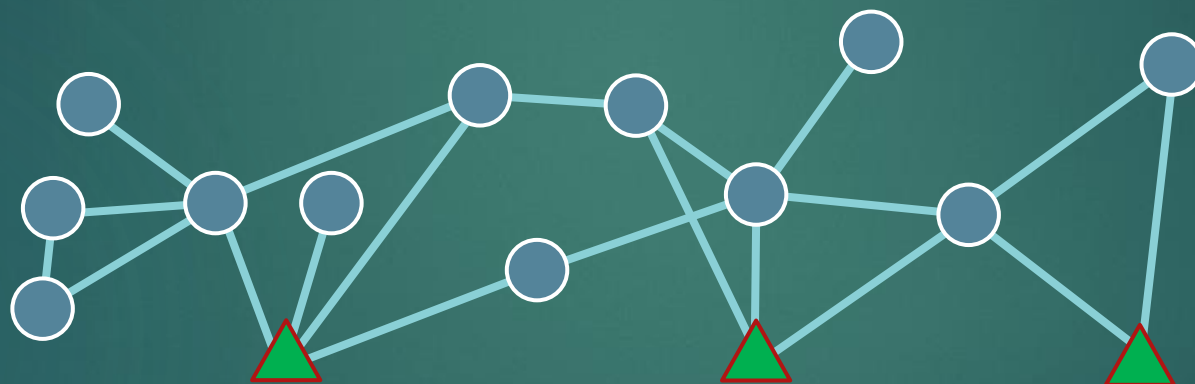
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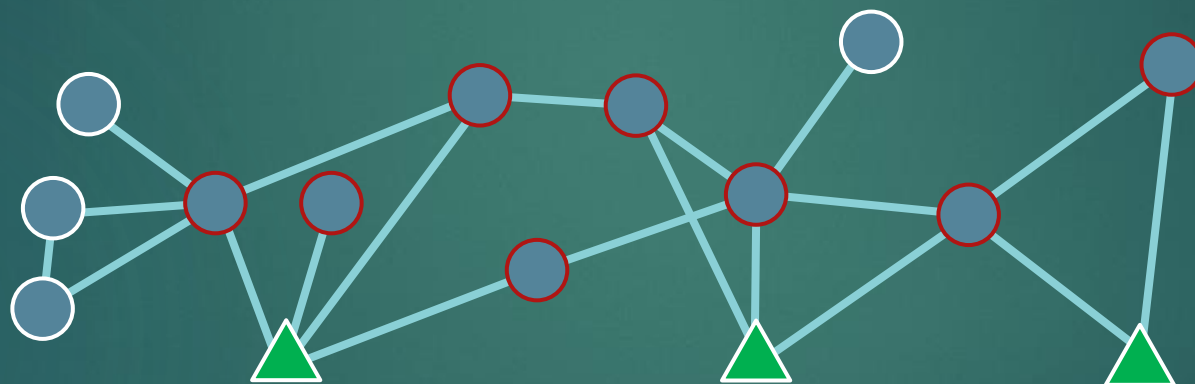
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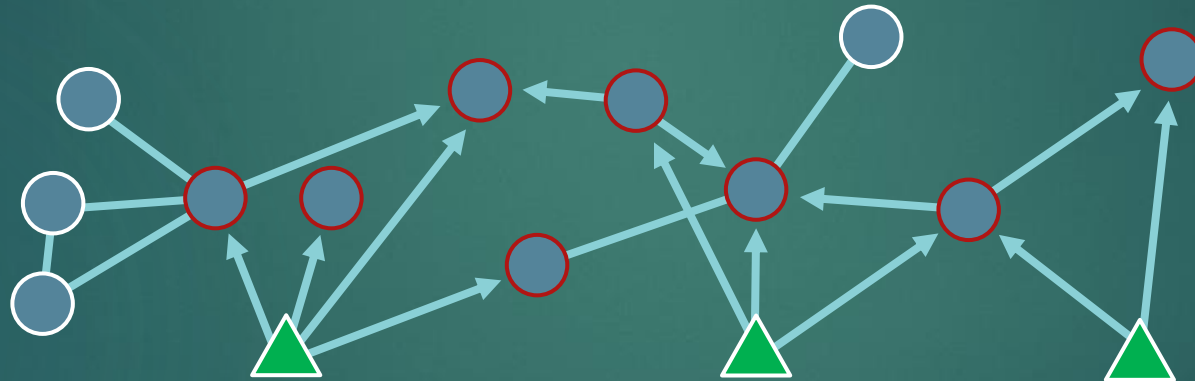
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Explore network from basal species

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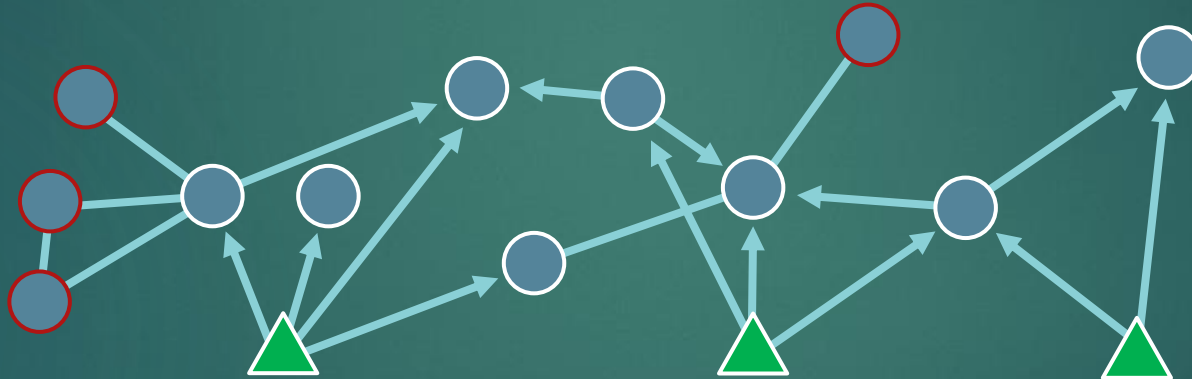
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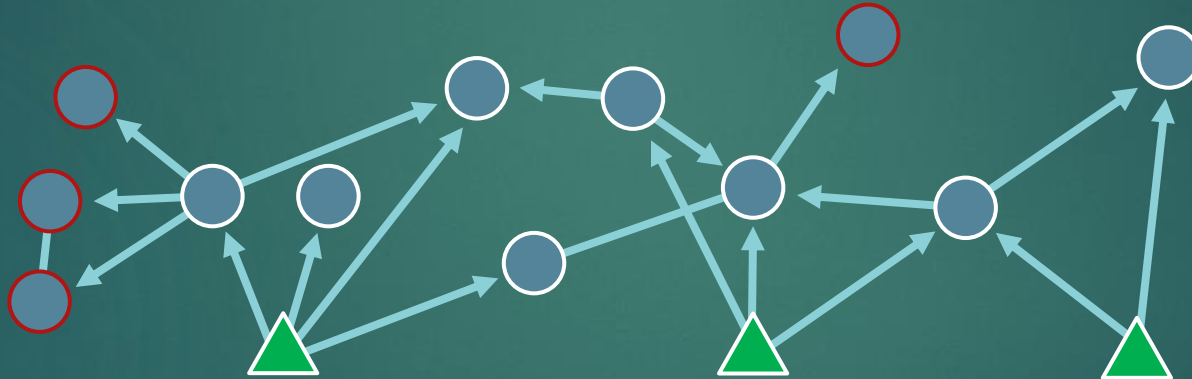
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Explore one step further

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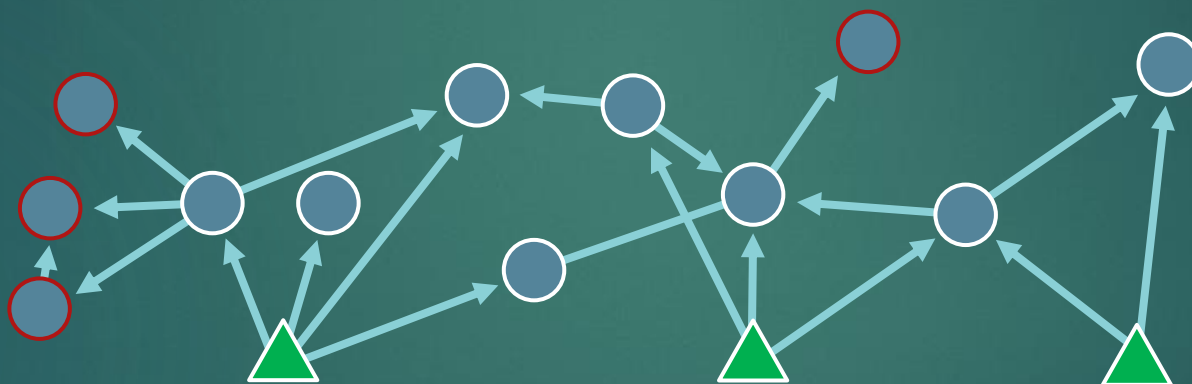
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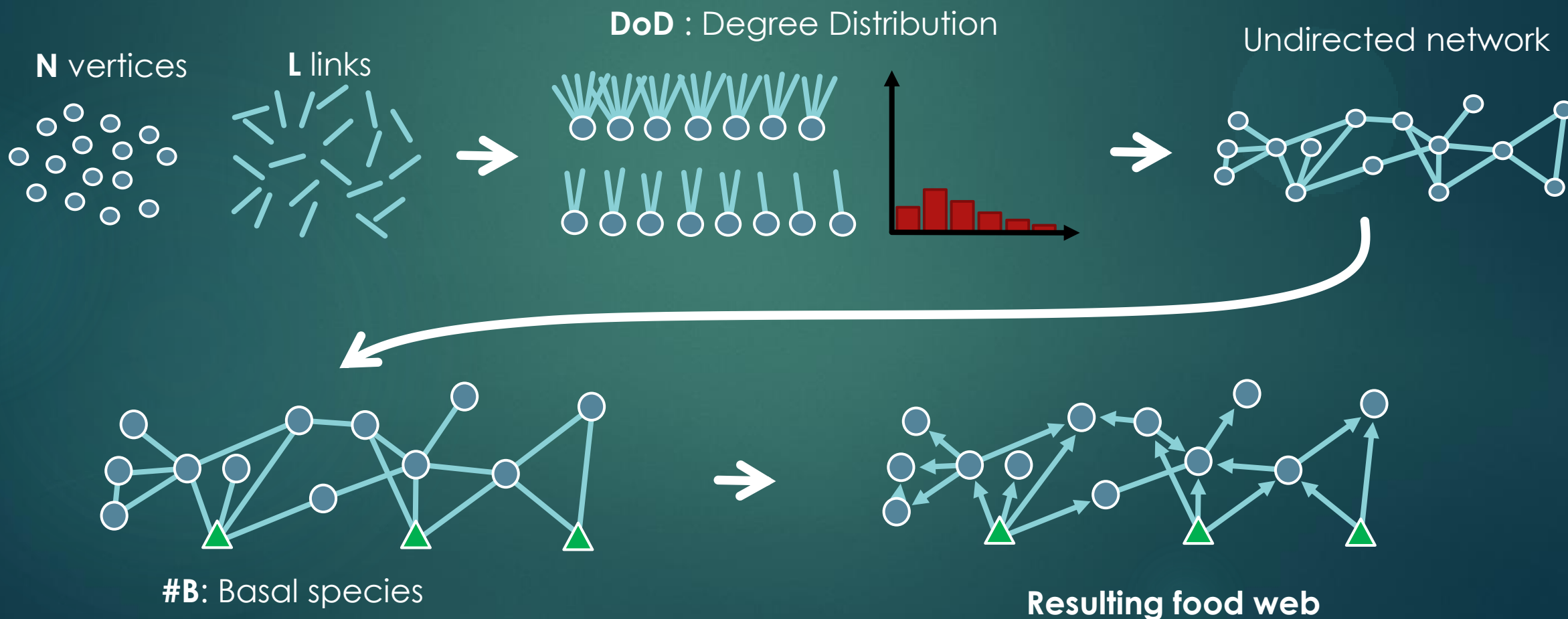
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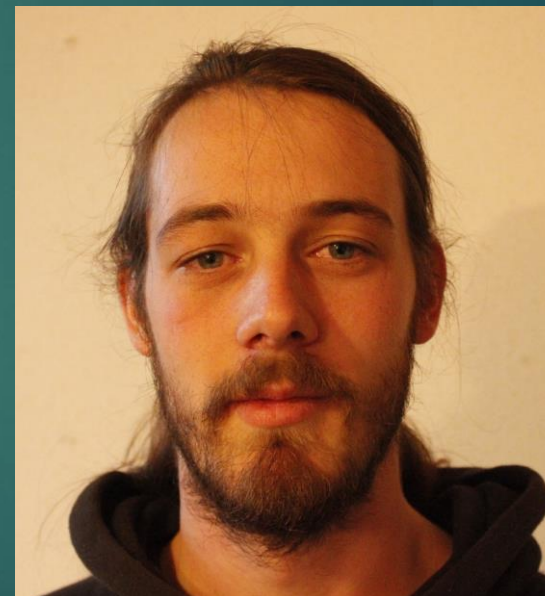
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Null model of food web

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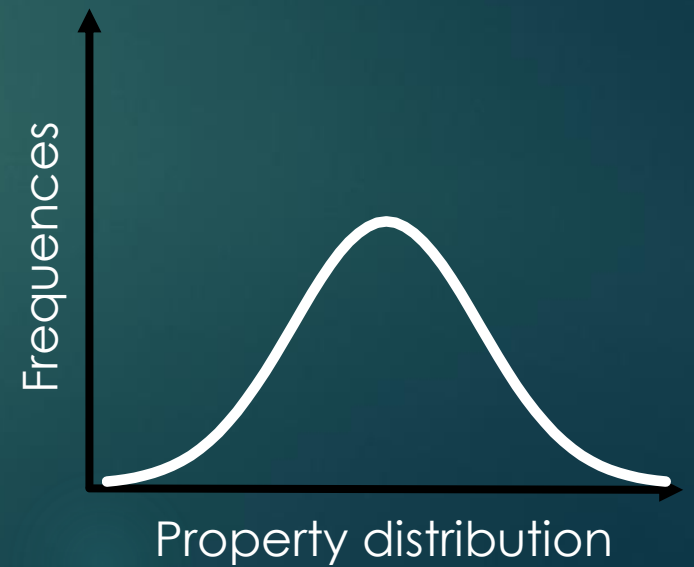
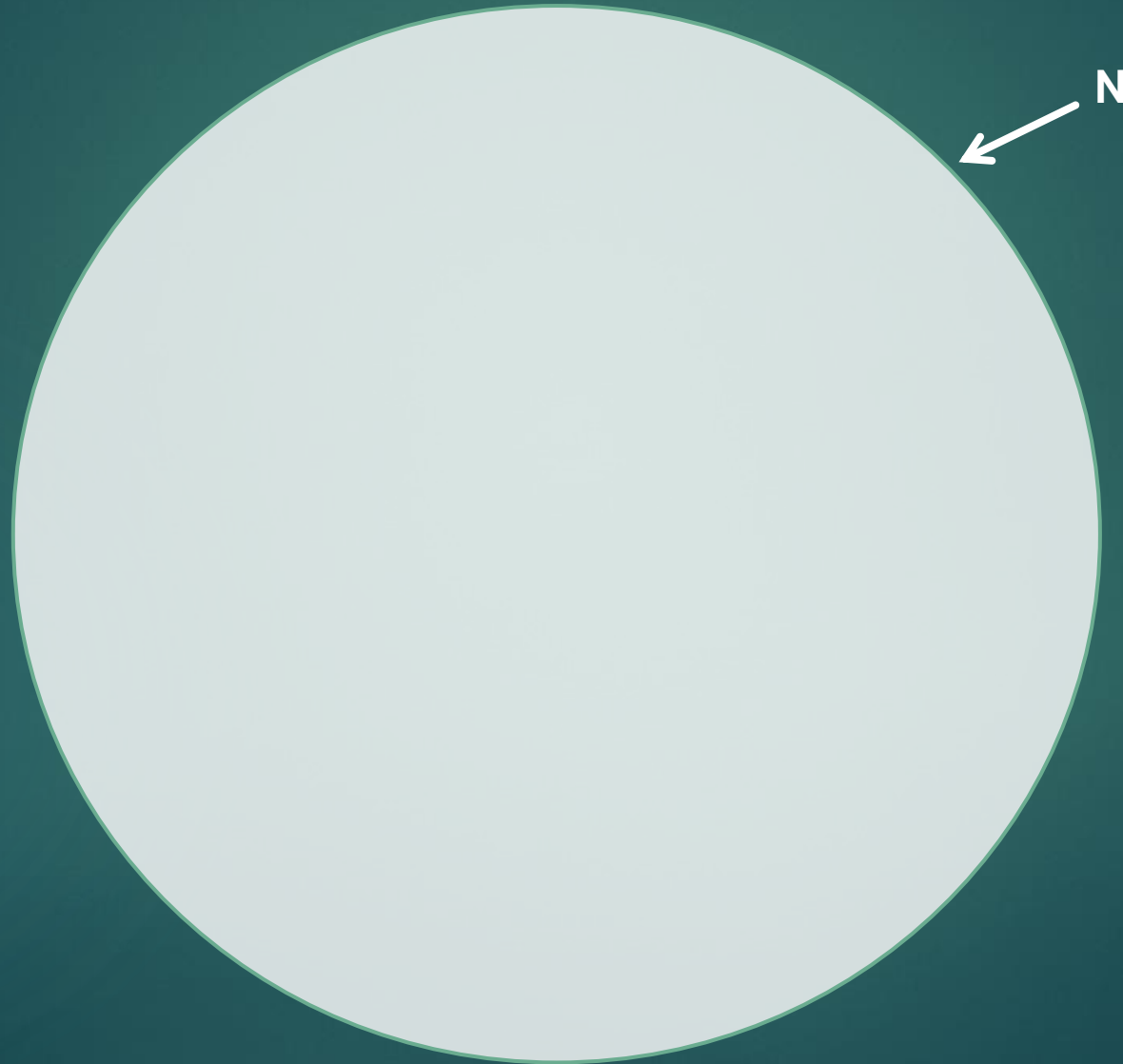
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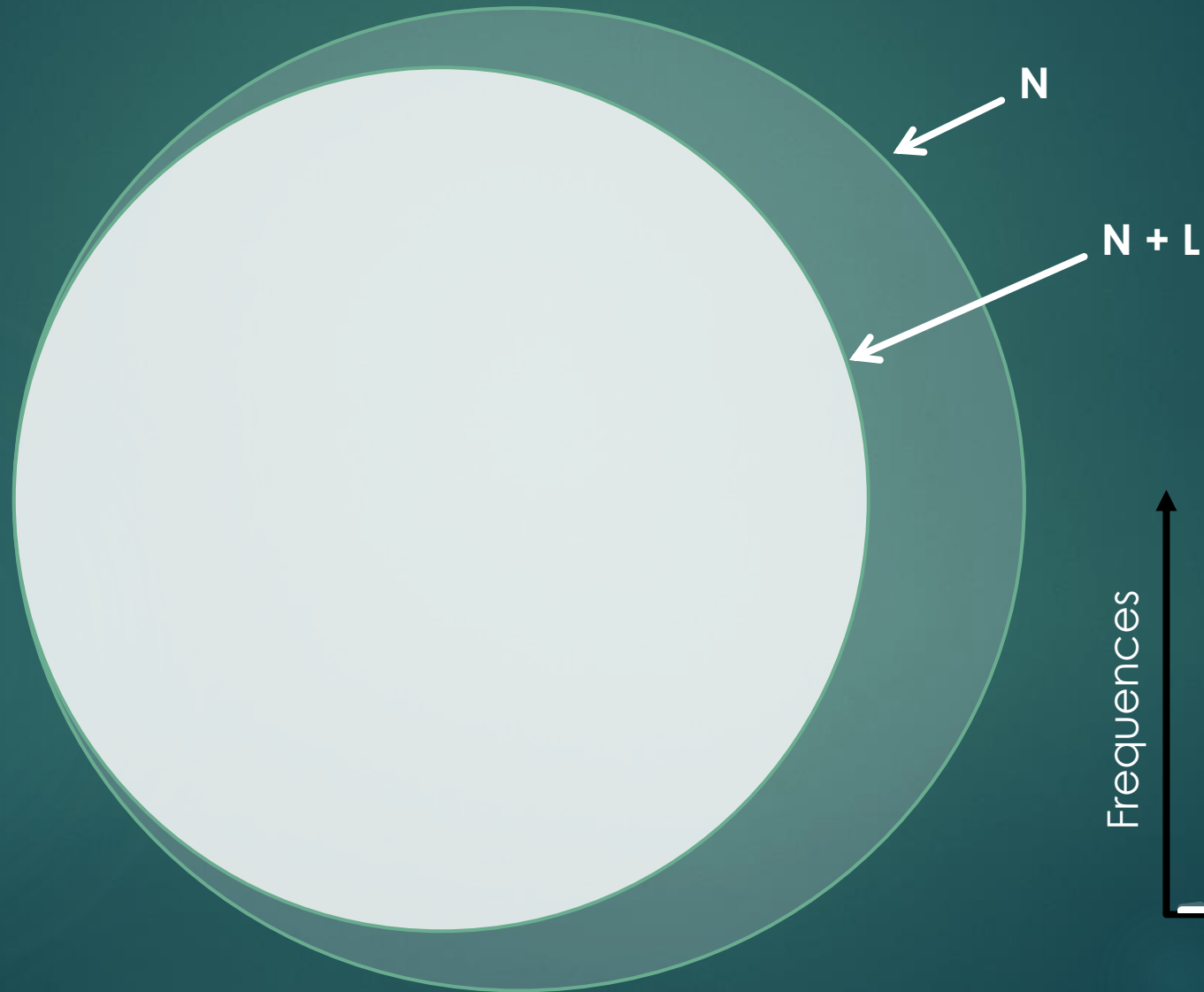
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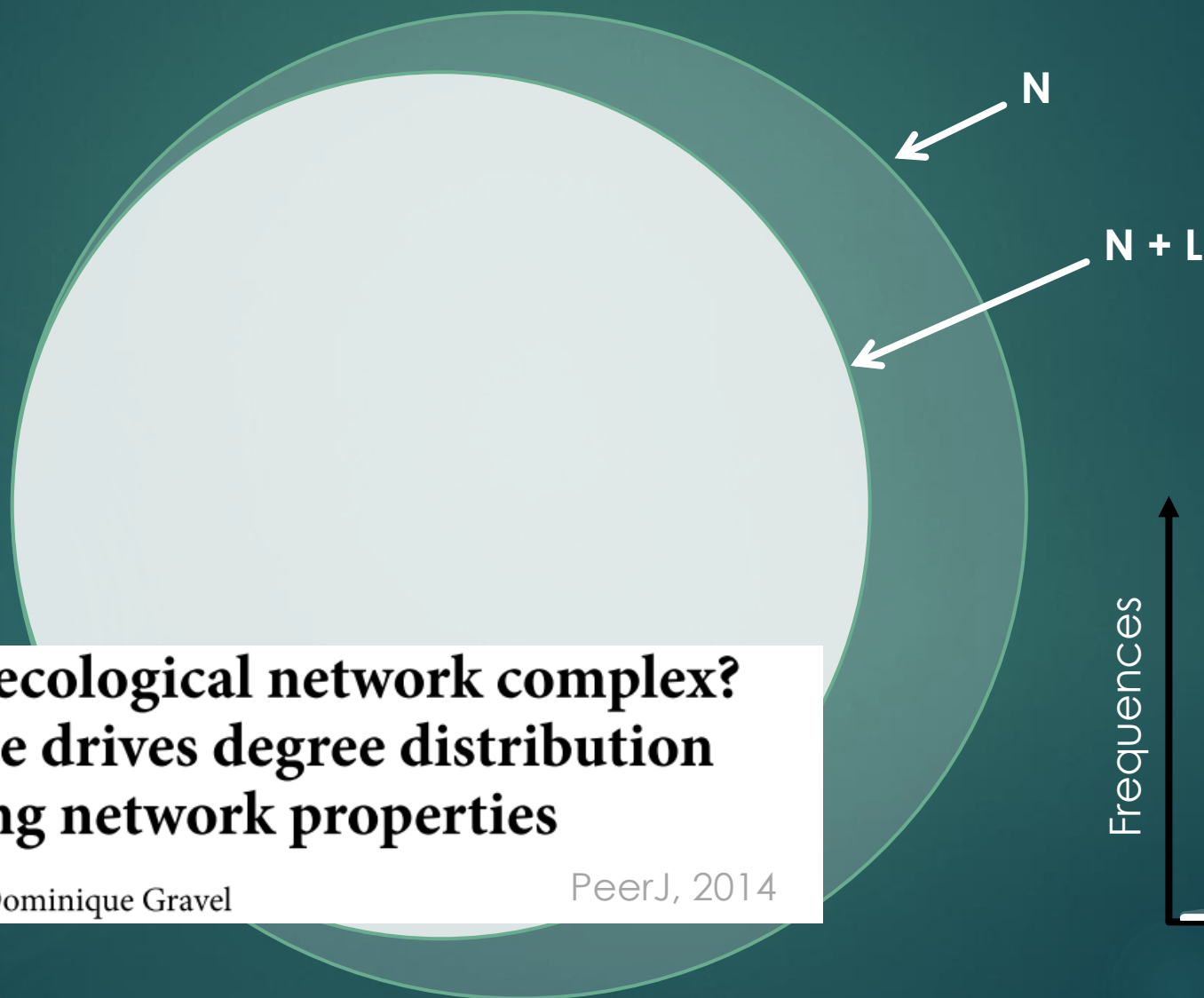
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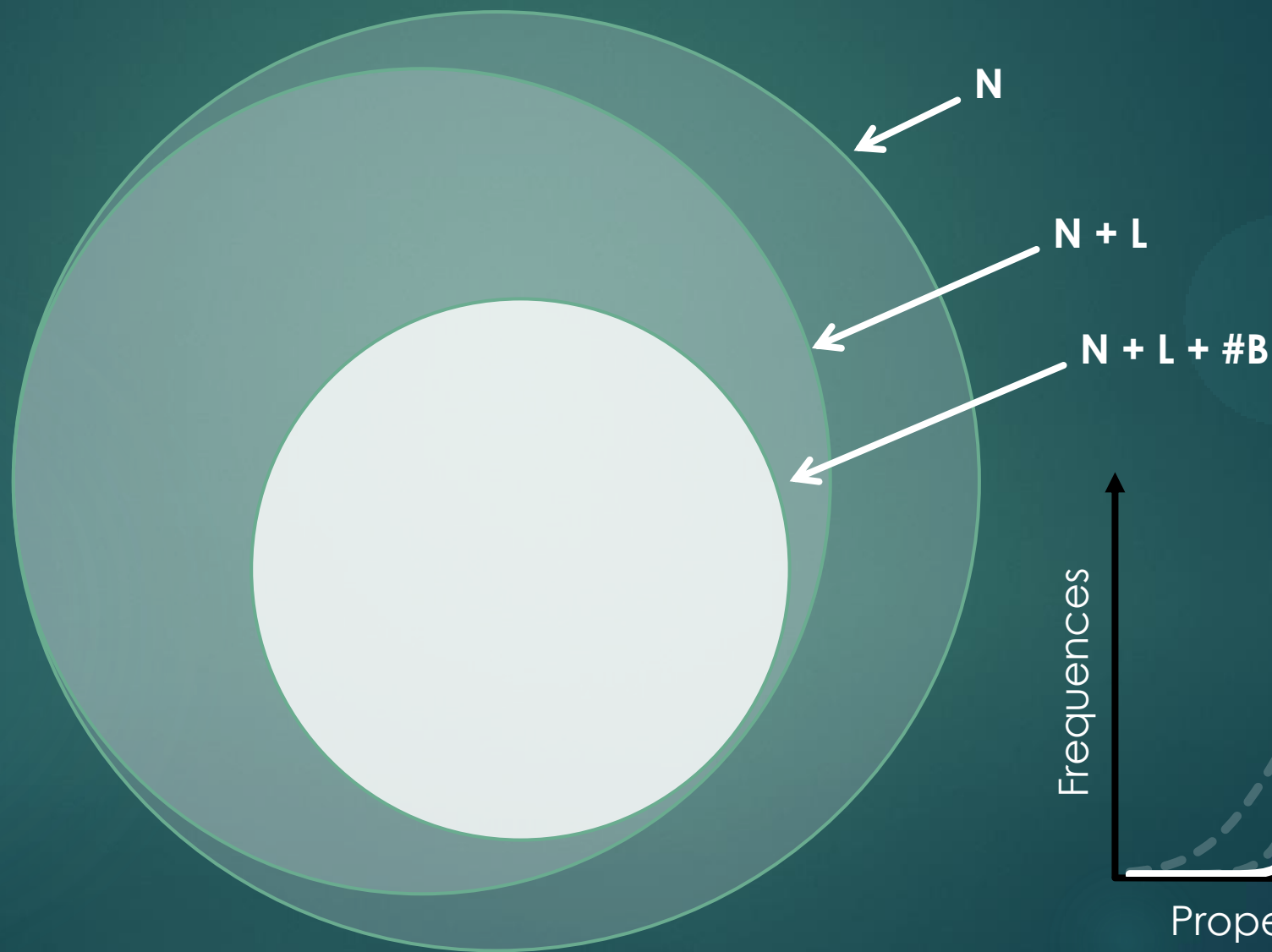


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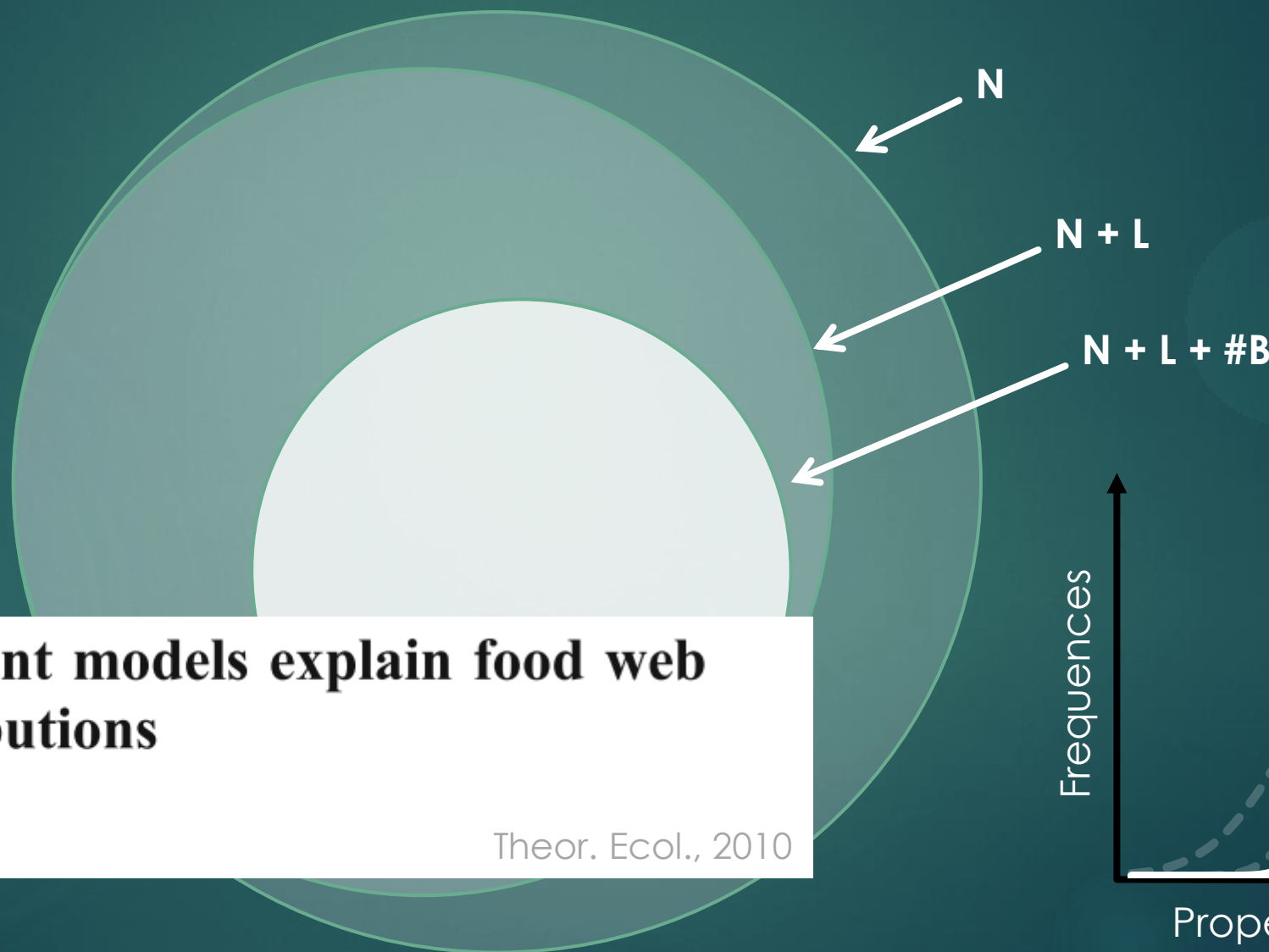
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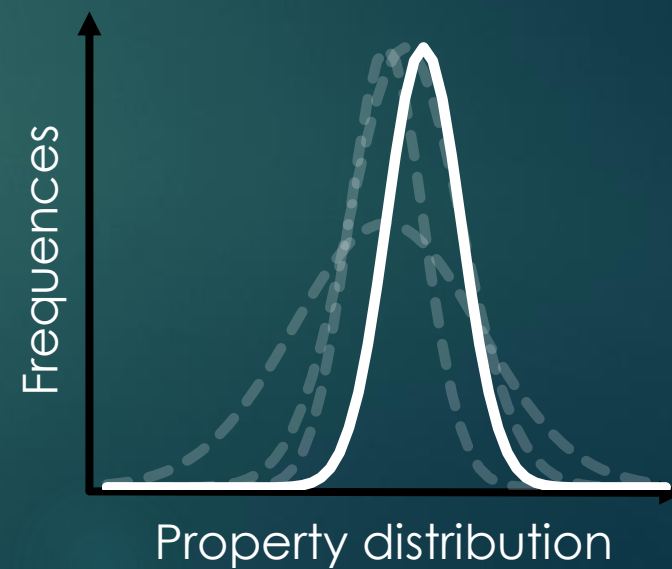
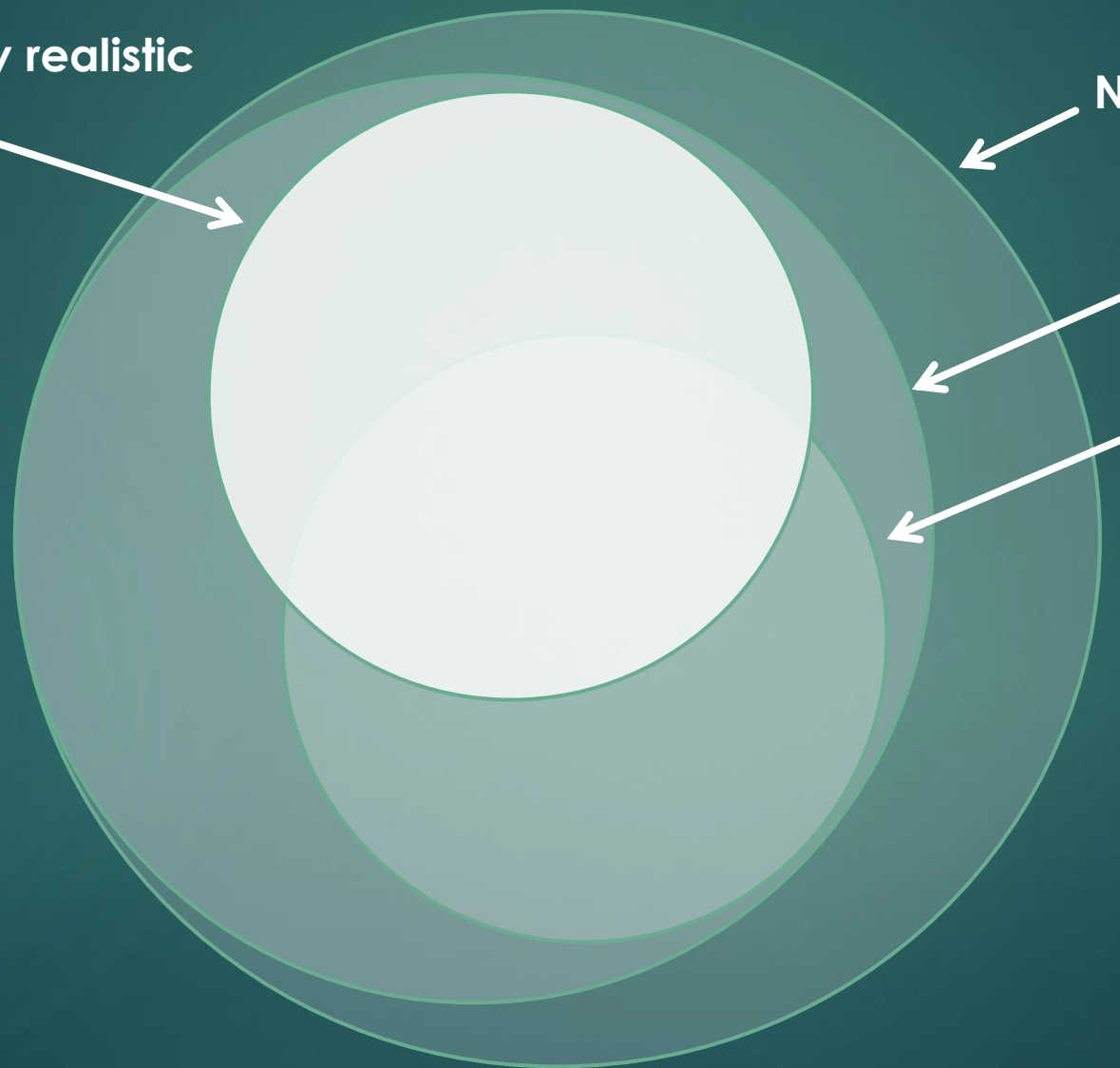
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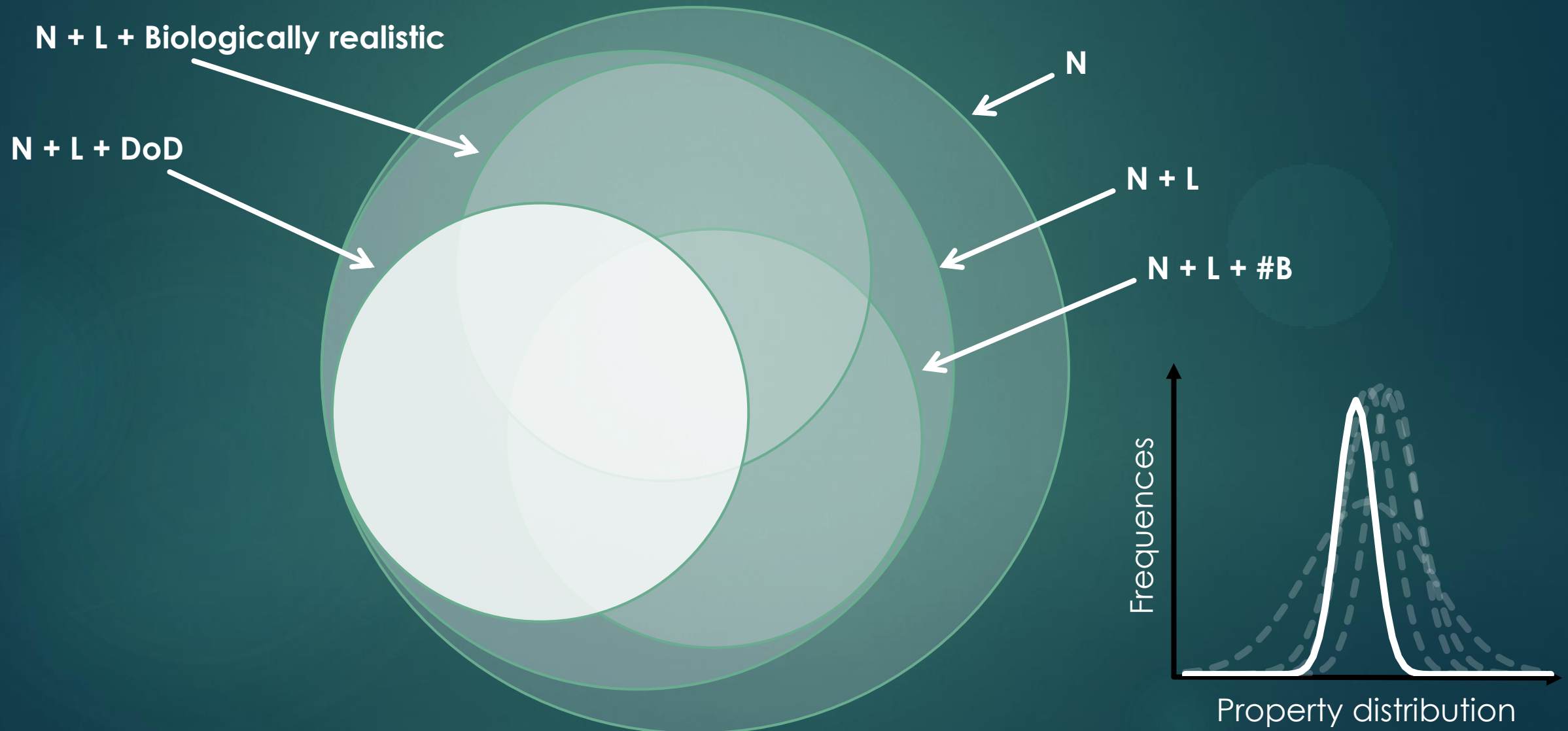
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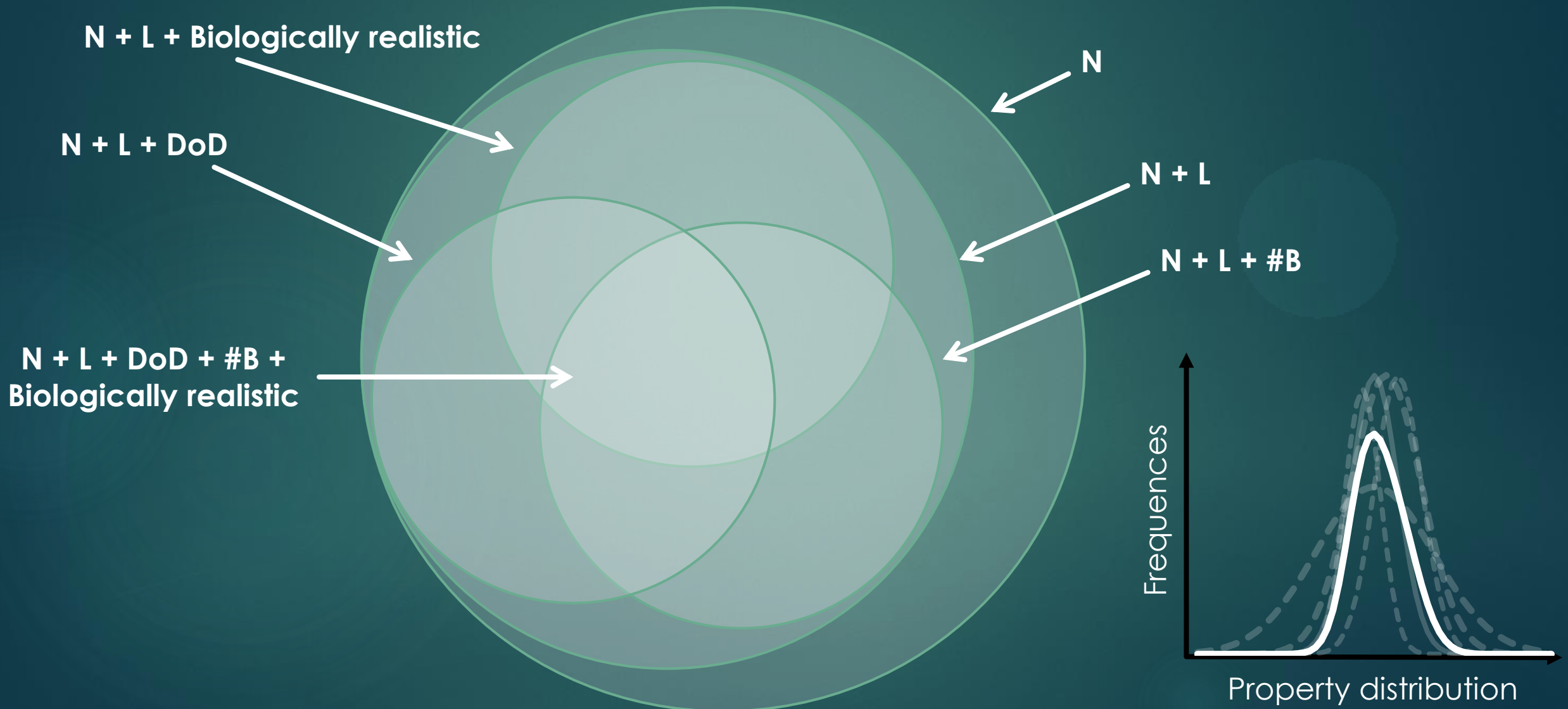
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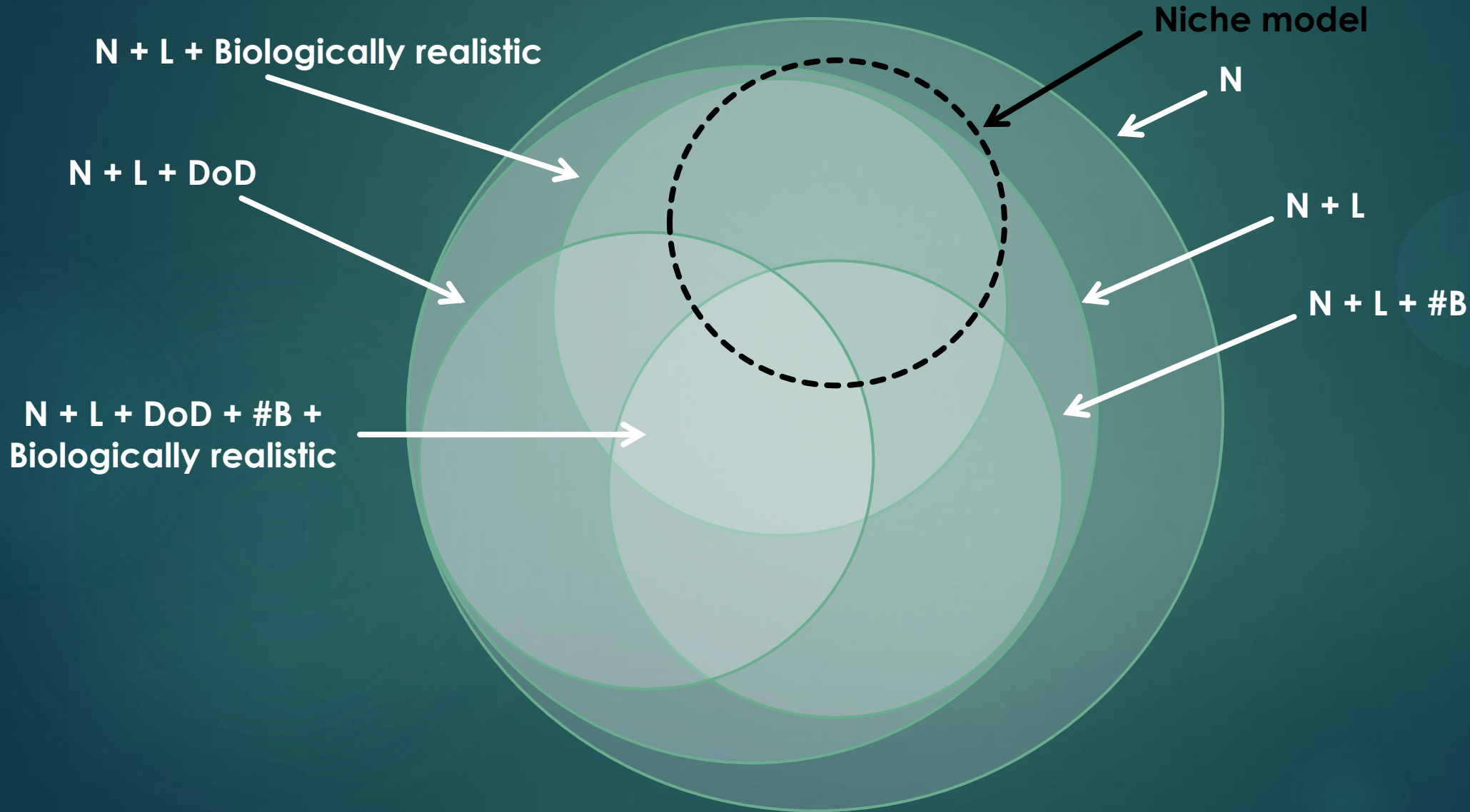
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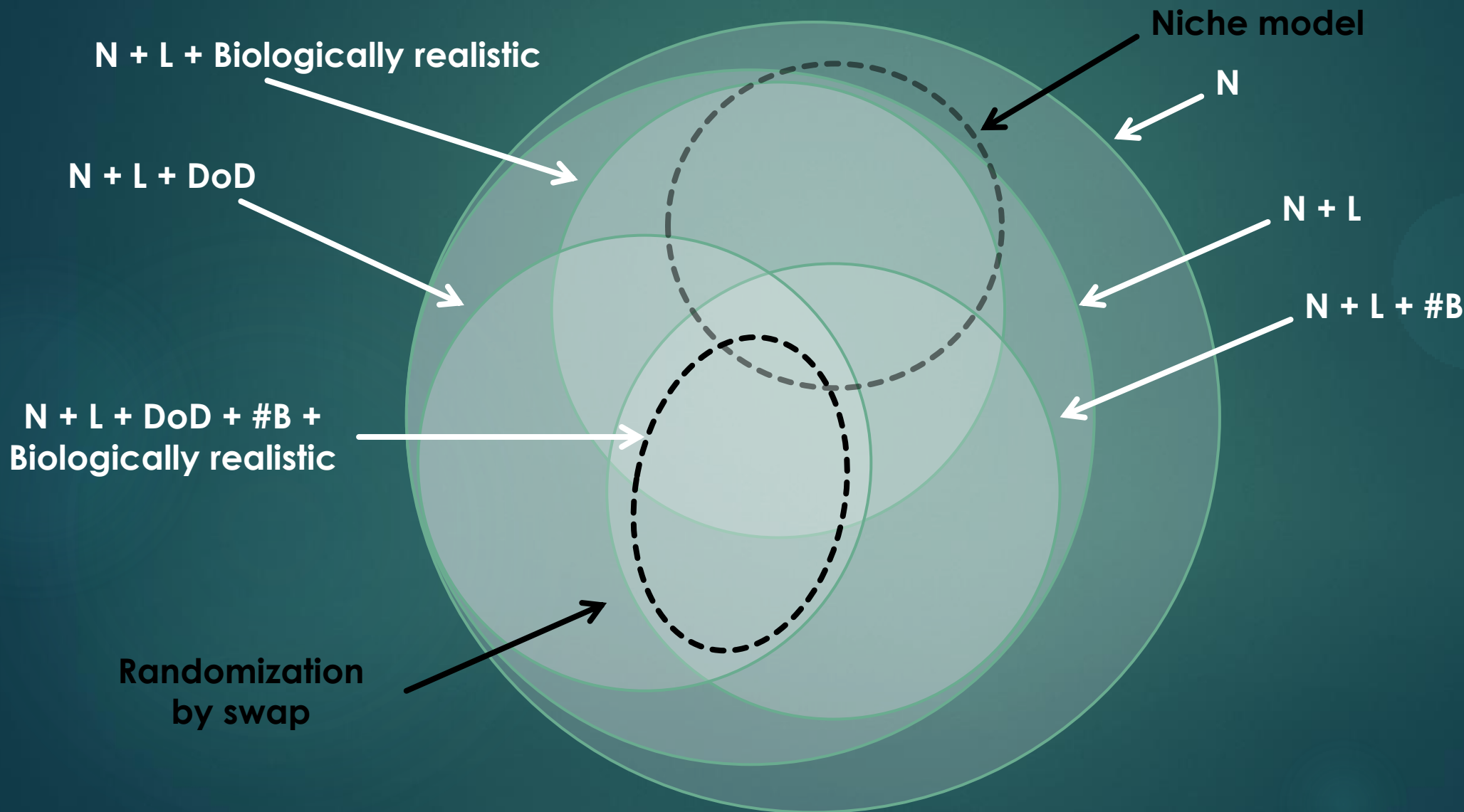
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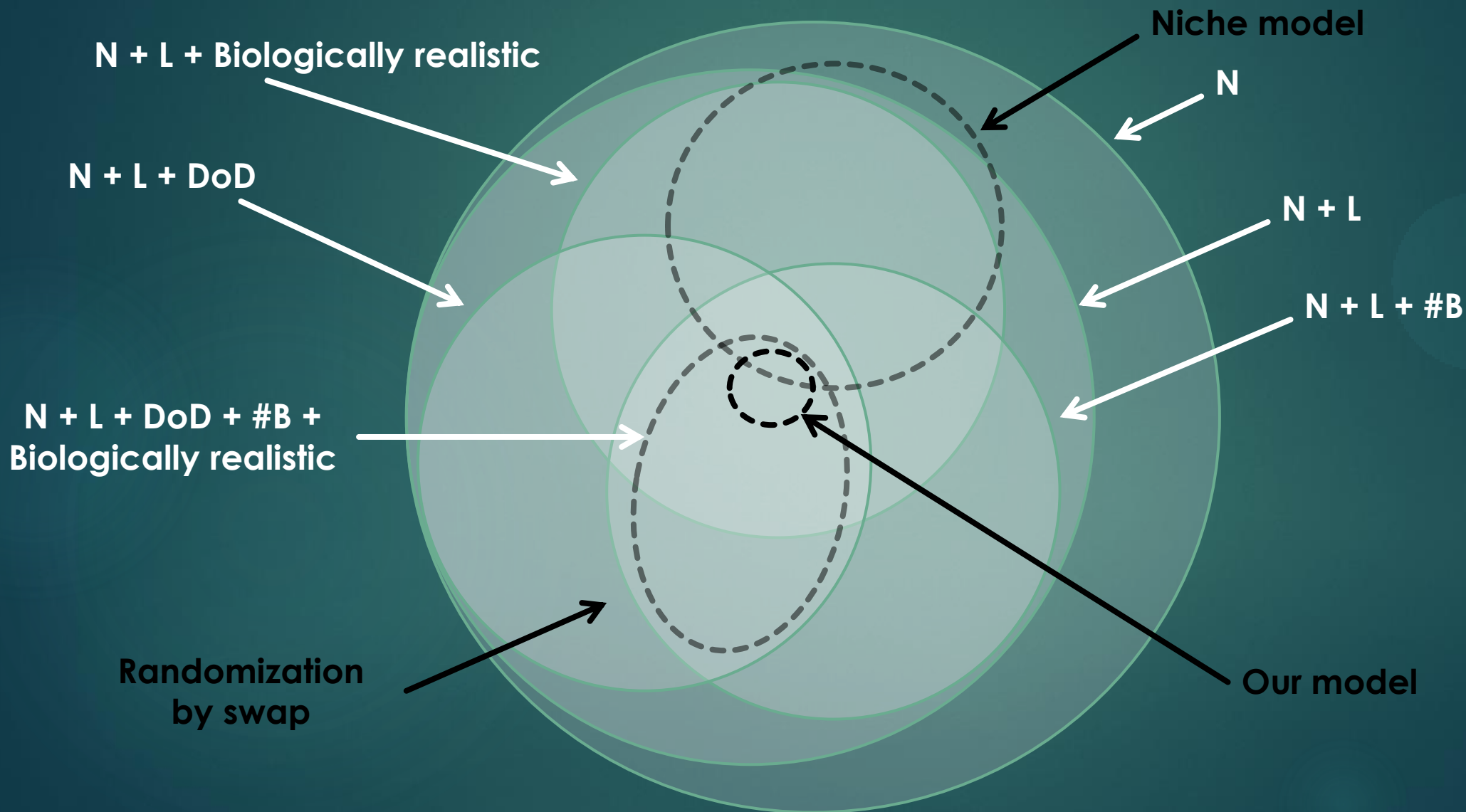
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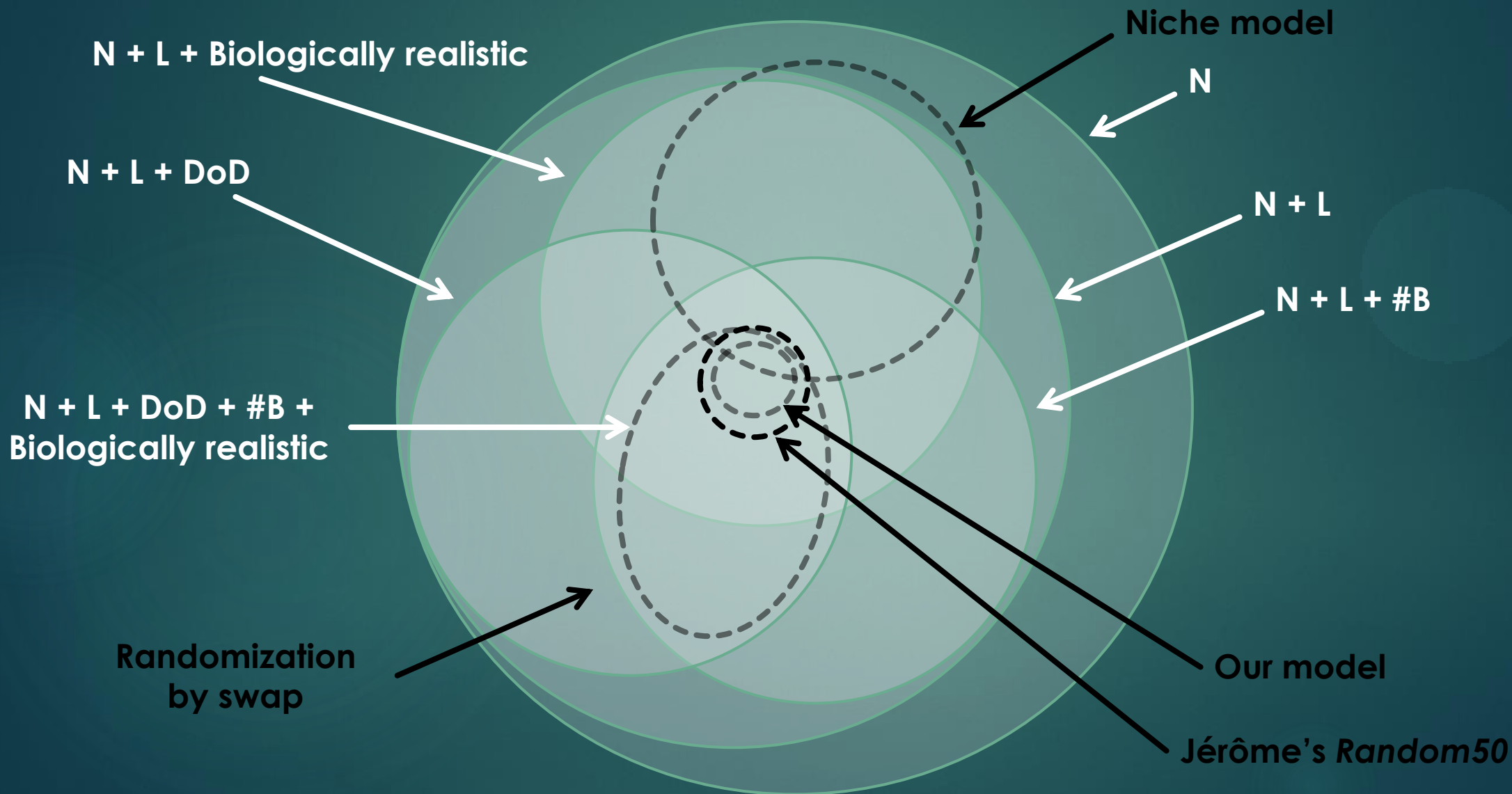
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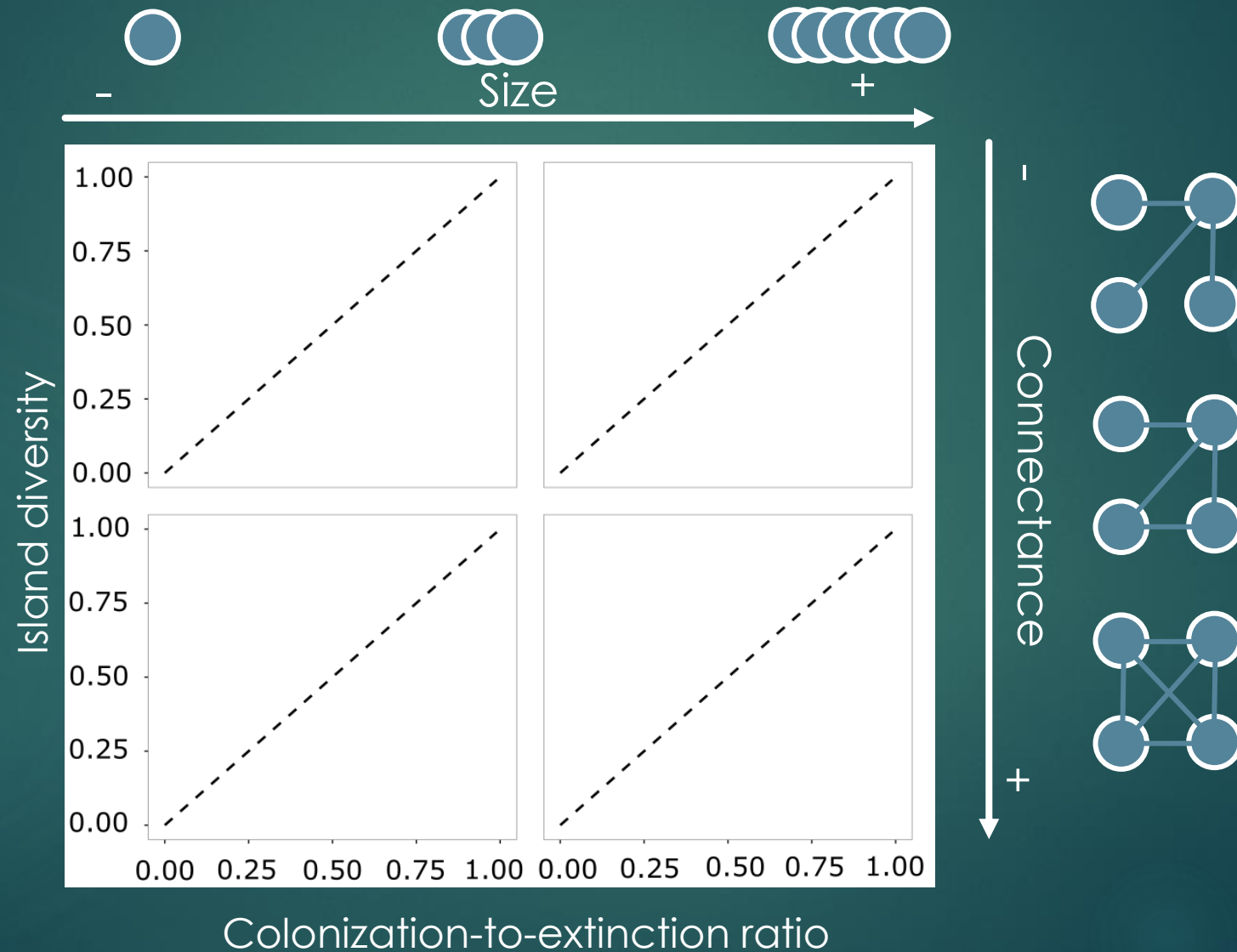
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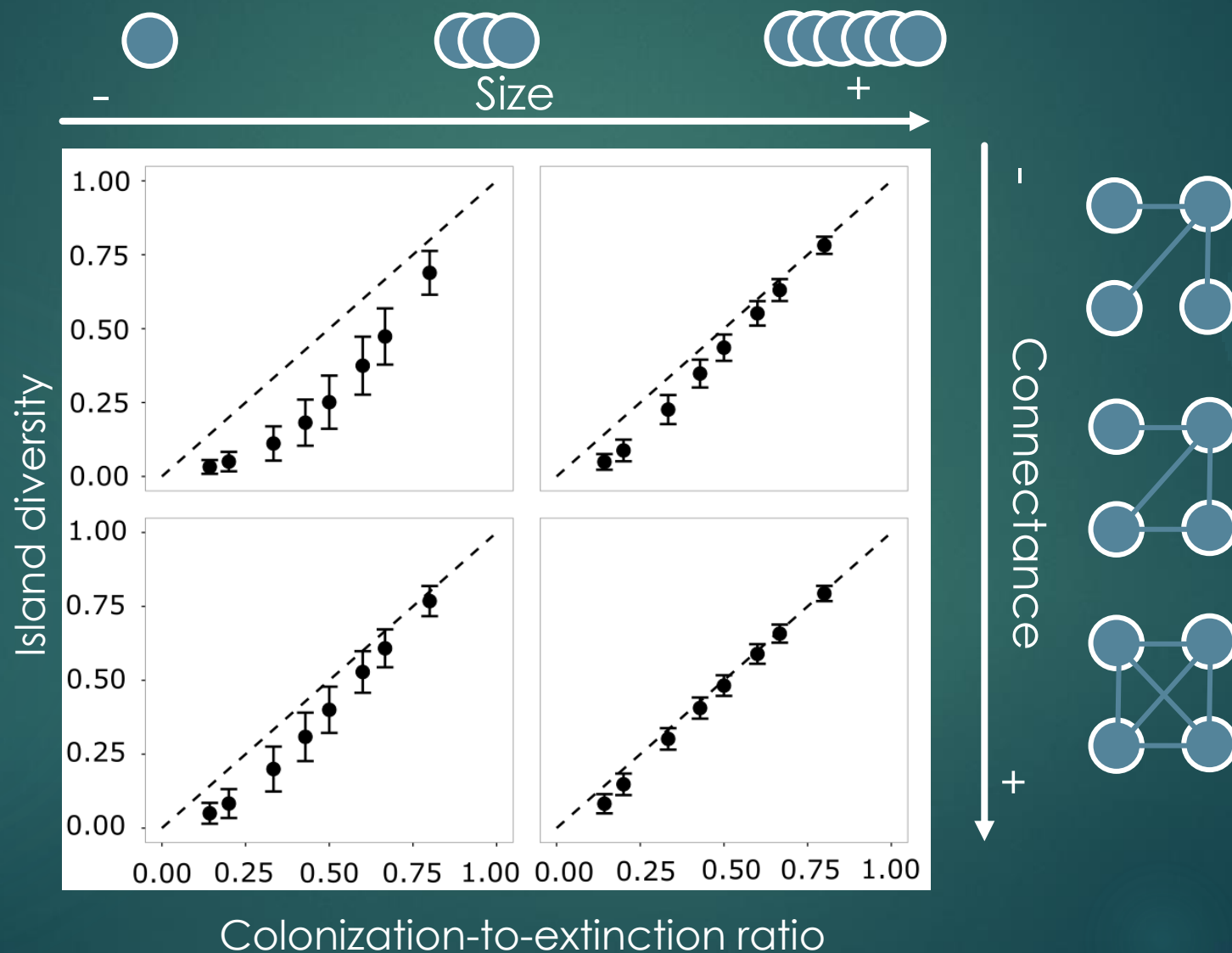
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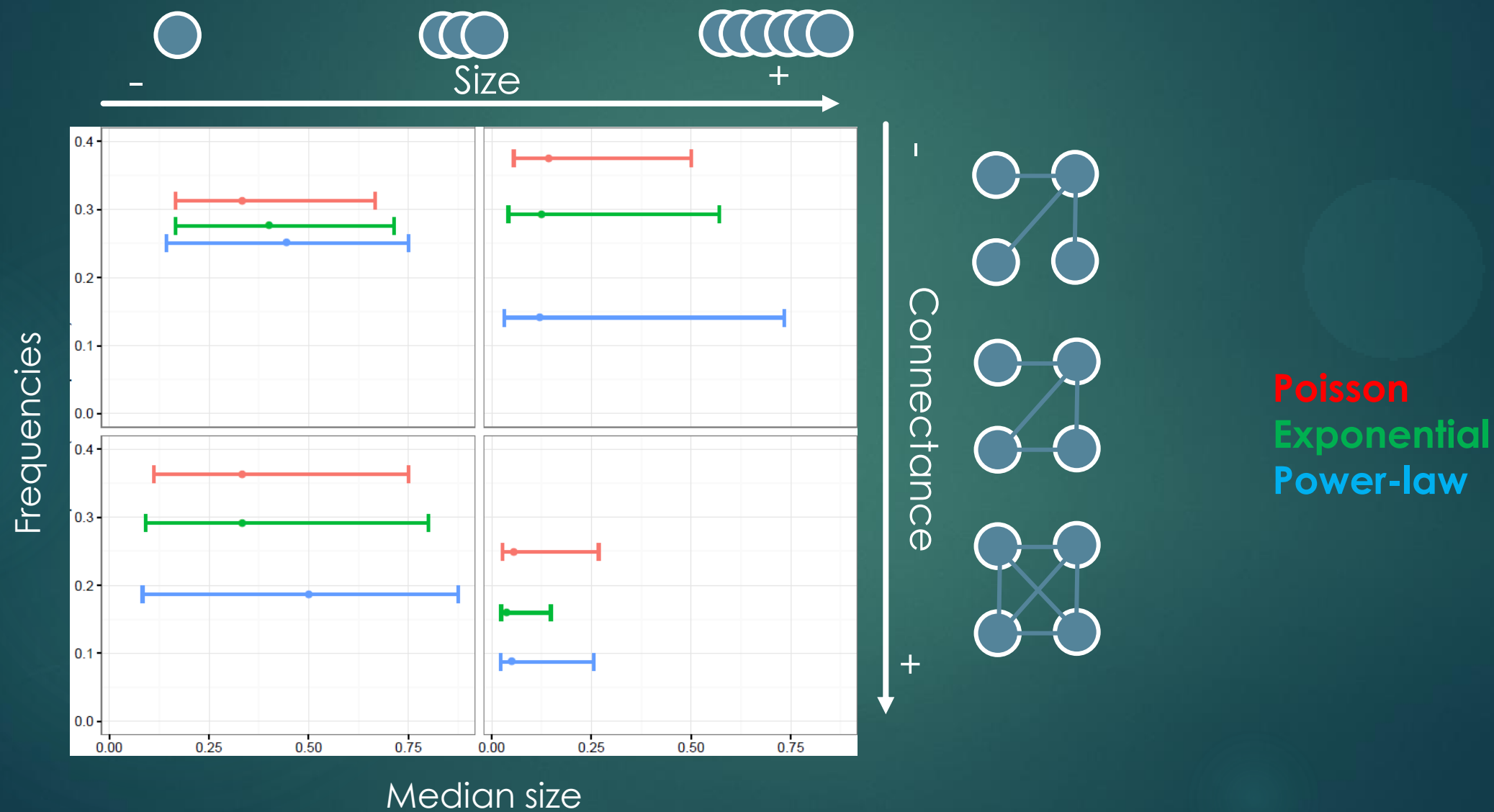
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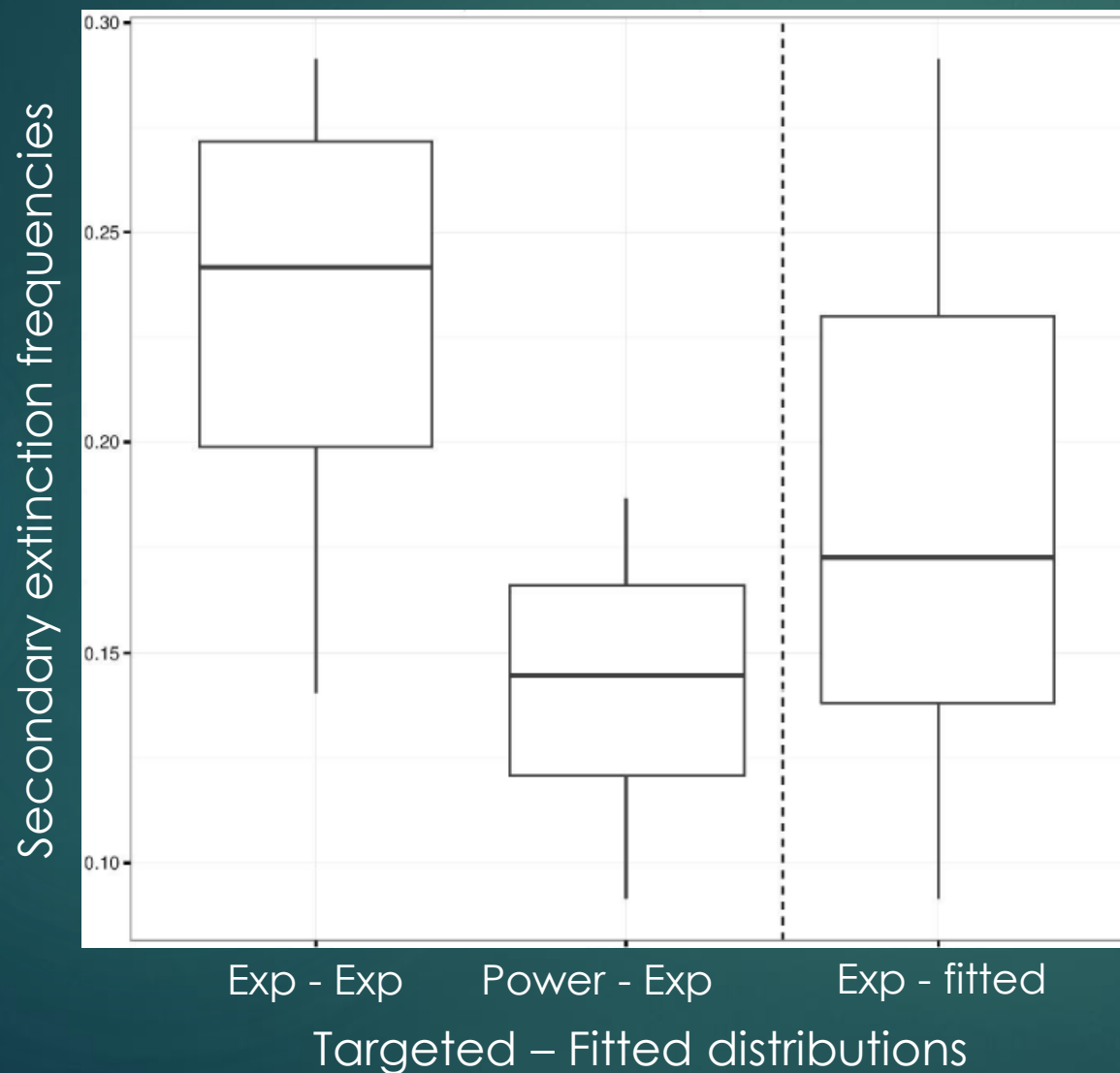
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