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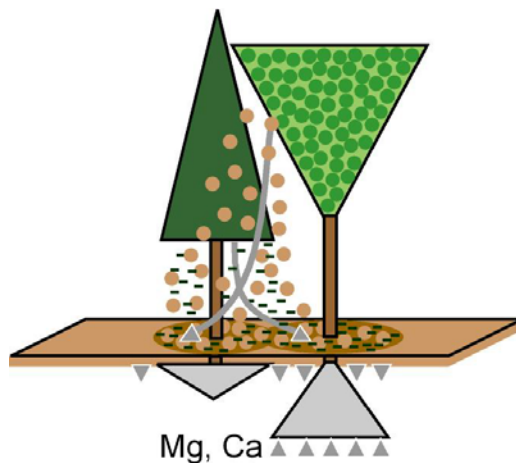
Norway spruce monocultures in the lowlands



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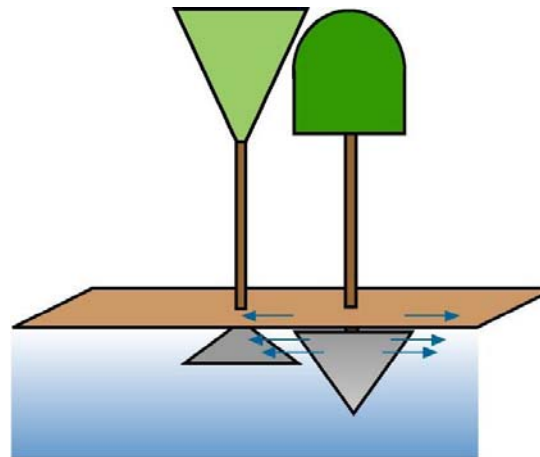
Facilitation by better mineral nutrients and water exploitation

nutrients
upward transport



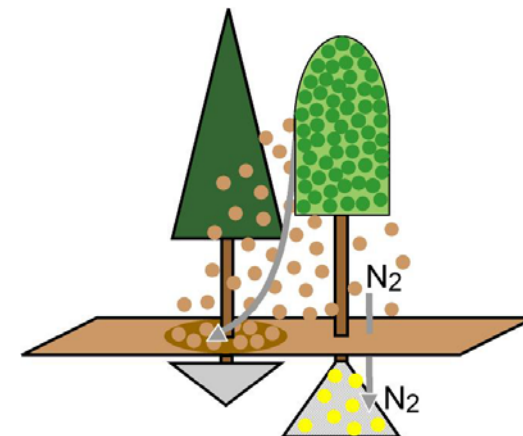
e.g. Rothe, Binkley (2001)

hydraulic
redistribution



e.g. Prieto et al. 2012

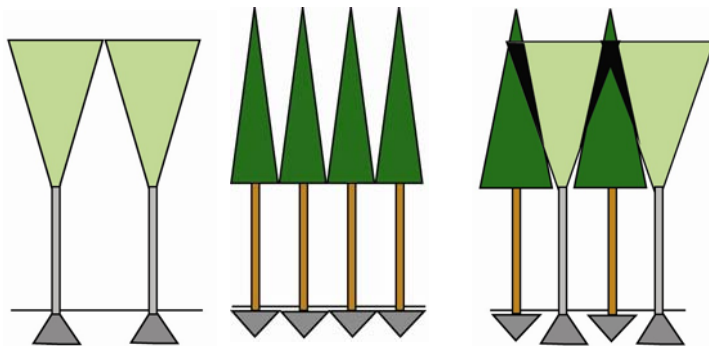
atmospheric
 N_2 fixation



e.g. Forrester et al. 2007, 2007

Complementarity in space filling and light use

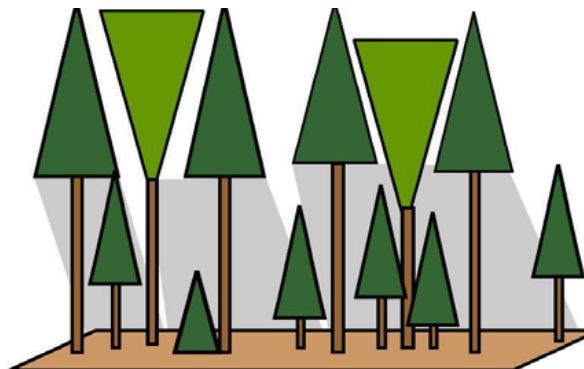
Morphological complementarity



Temporal asynchrony



Physiological complementarity



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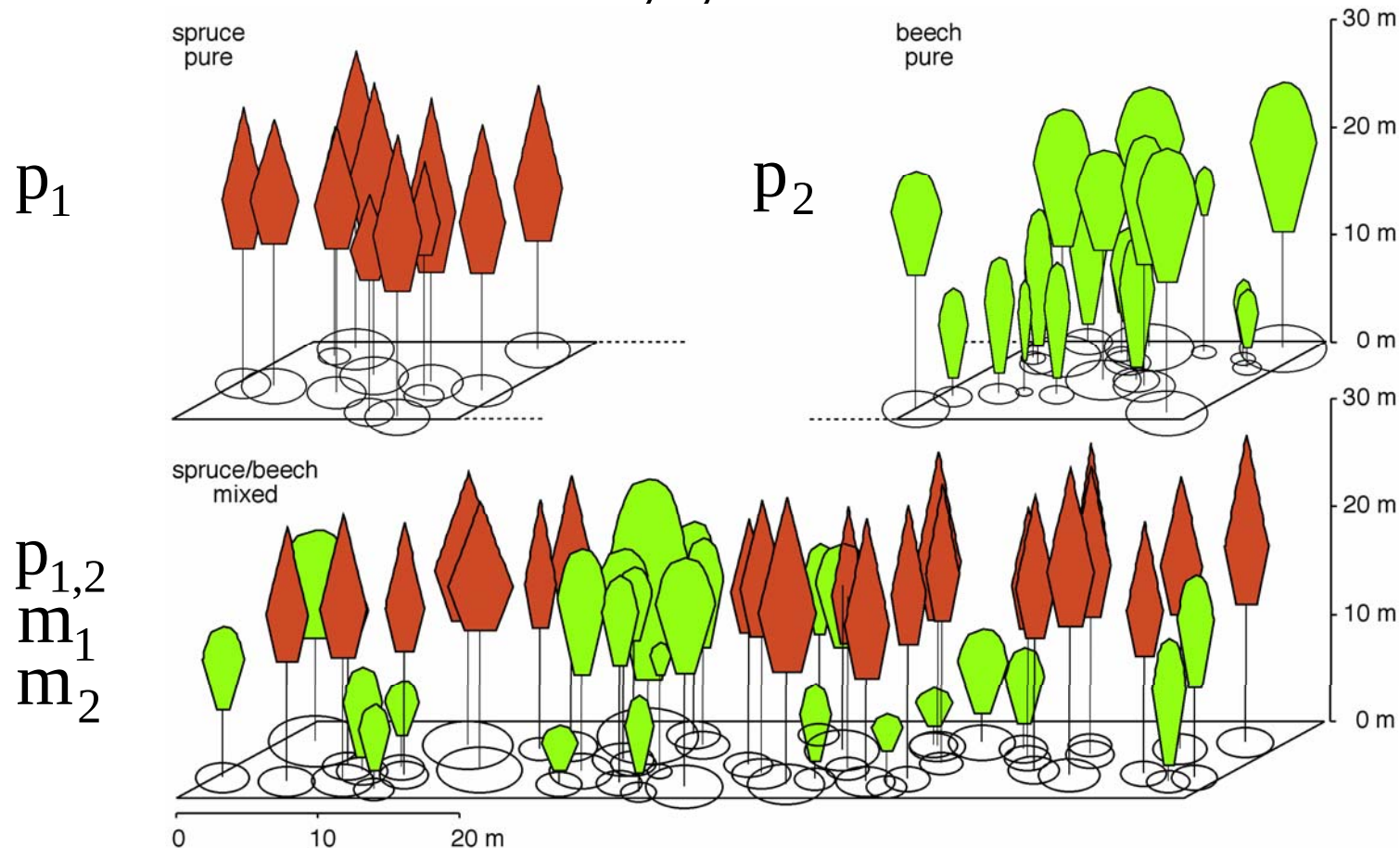
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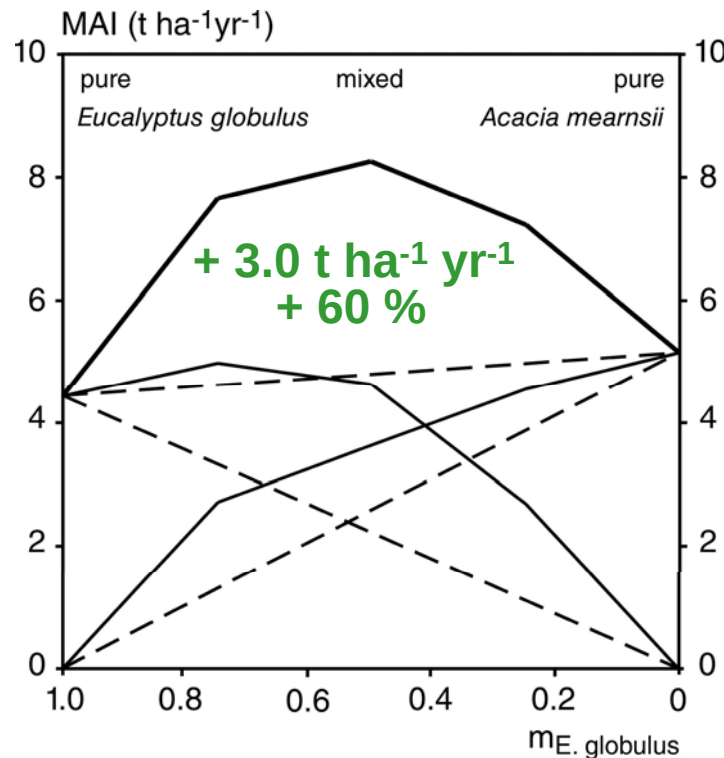
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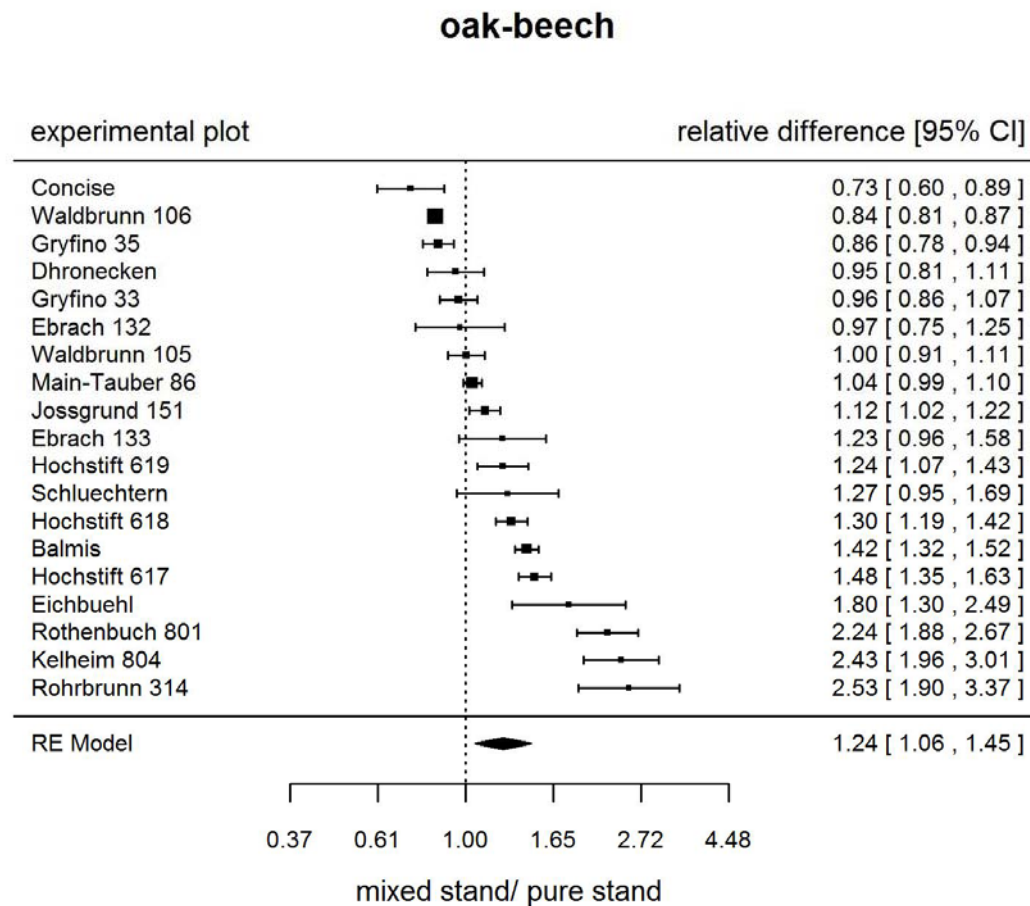
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Visualization of the overyielding in mixed vs. pure stands of *Eucalyptus globulus* Labill and *Acacia mearnsii* De Wild. by a cross diagram

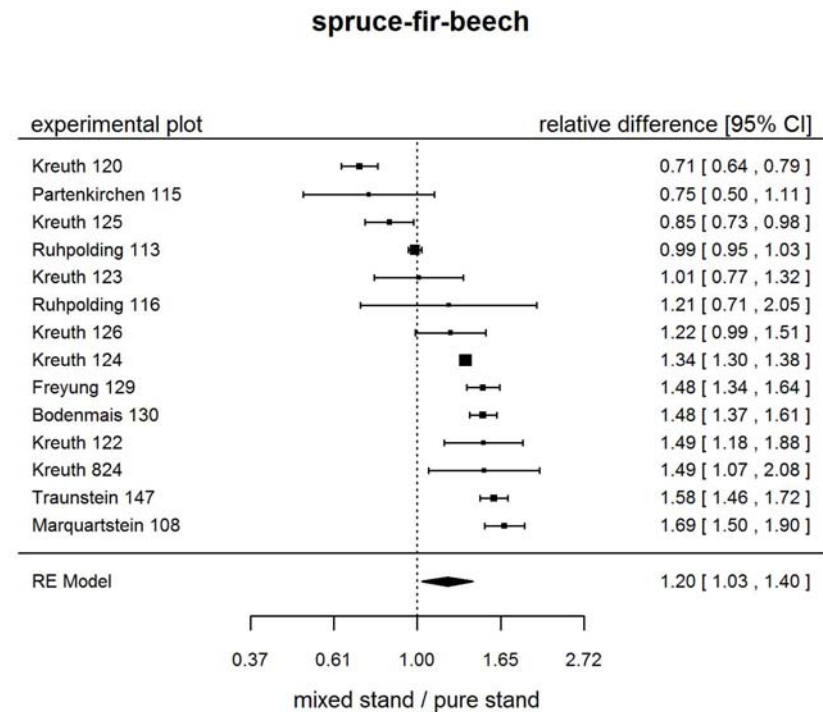
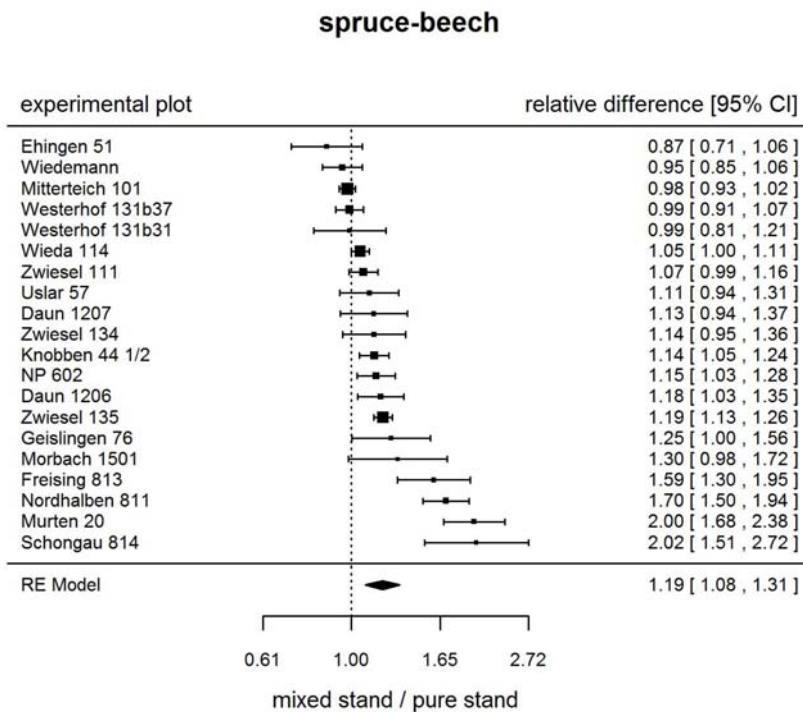


Forrester et al. (2006), Pretzsch and Forrester (2017)

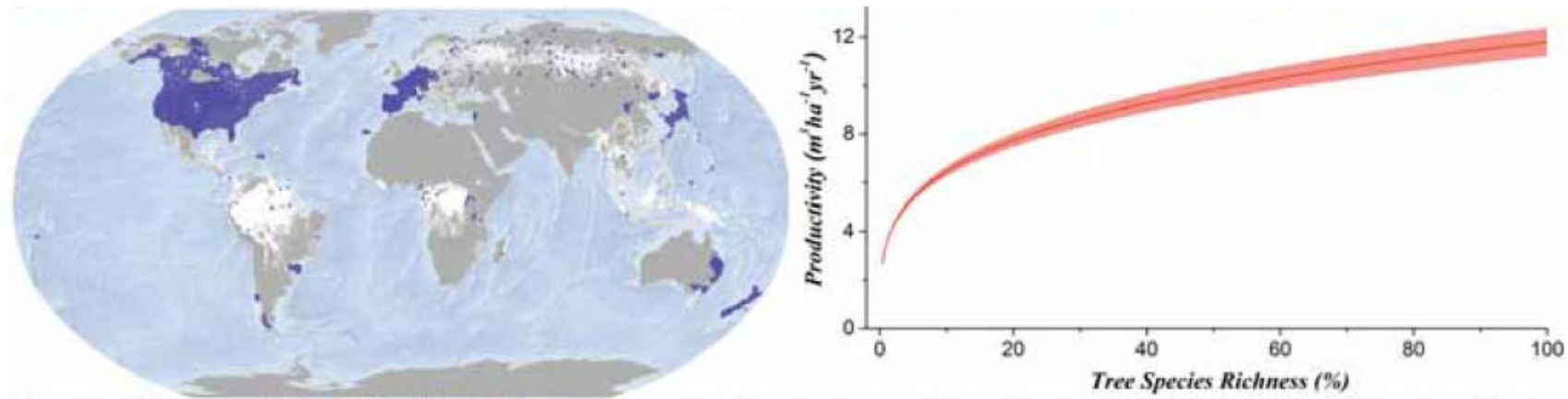
Meta-analysis on overyielding of mixed stands of sessile oak and European beech versus pure stands in Europe based on long-term experiments



Meta-analysis on overyielding of mixed stands of Norway spruce, European beech, silver fir in Europe based on long-term experiments



Mixing effects on productivity of forests worldwide and in Central Europe

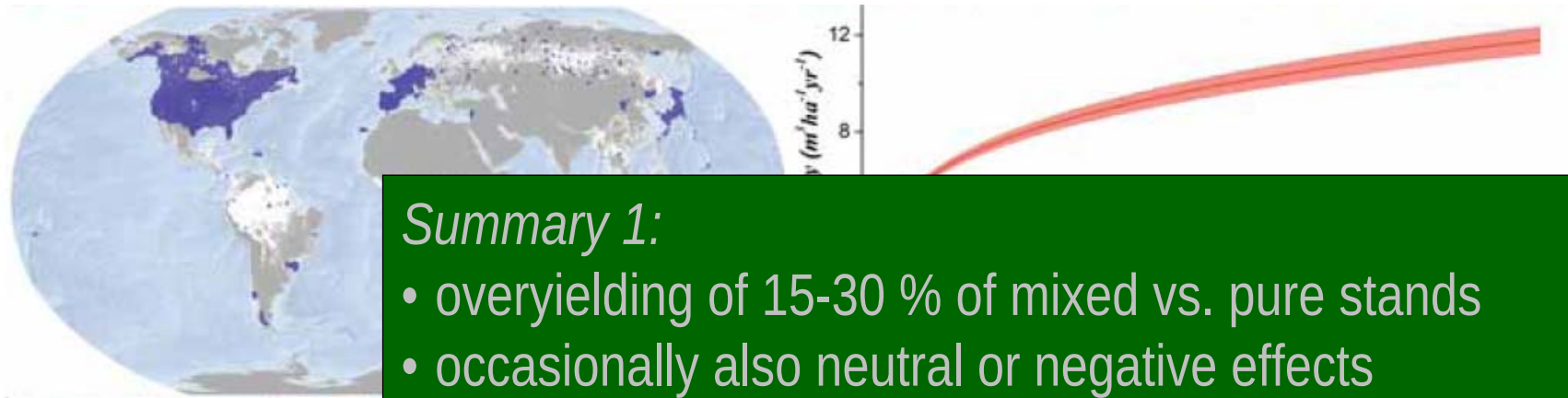


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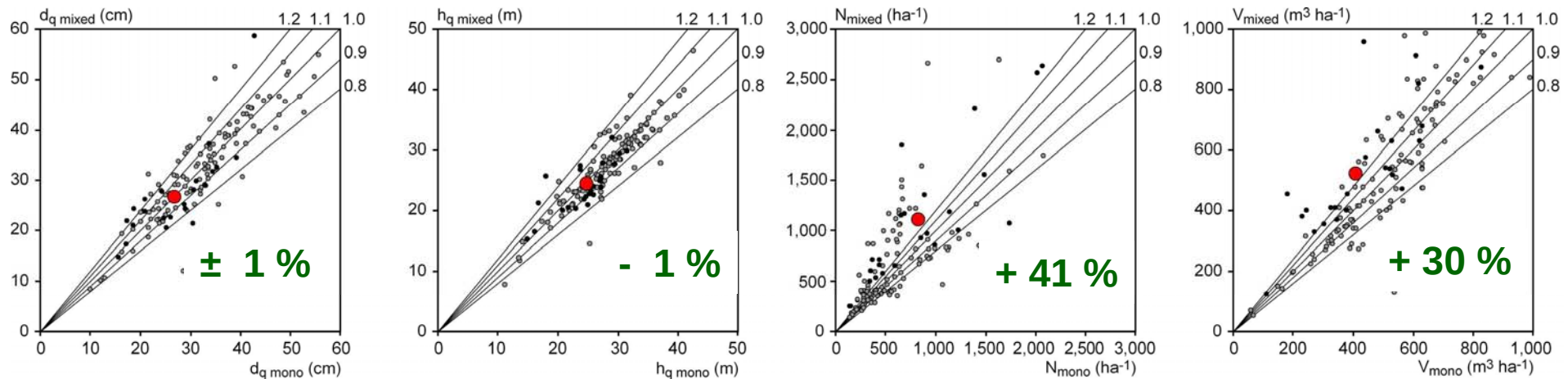
Summary 1:

- overyielding of 15-30 % of mixed vs. pure stands
- occasionally also neutral or negative effects
- conservative correction factors: $iv_{\text{pure}} \times 1.10$ to 1.20
- more species combinations need to be analyzed

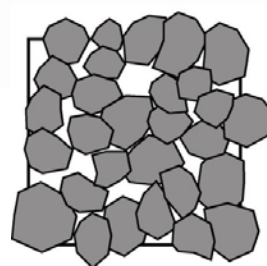
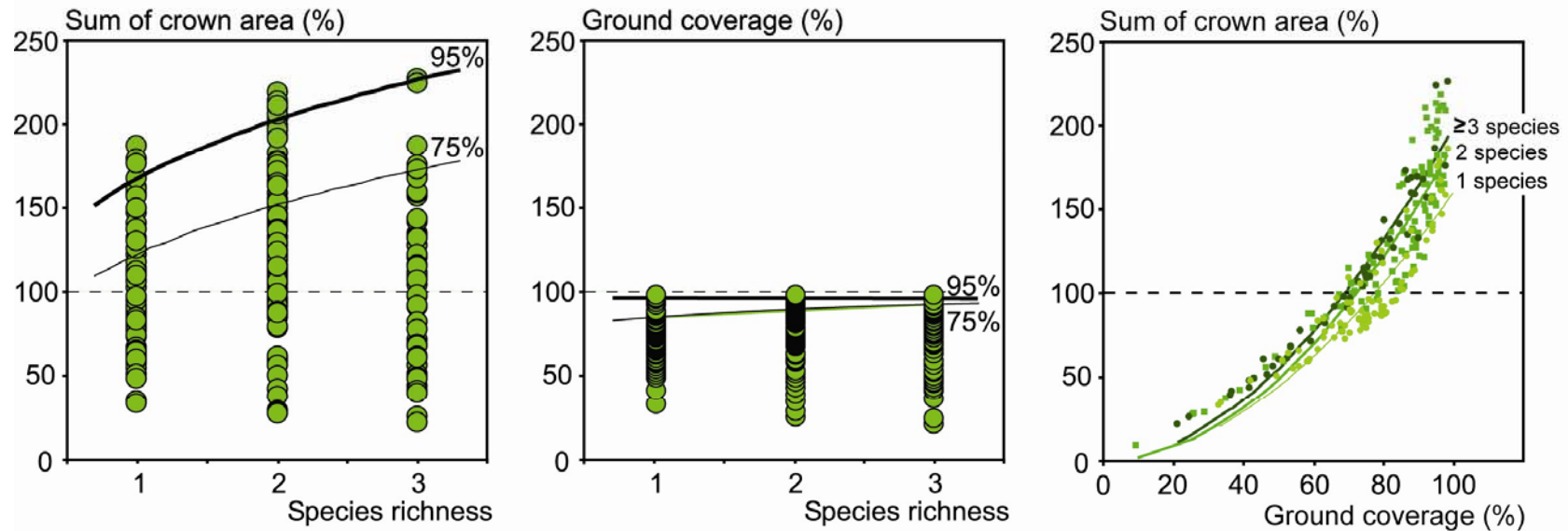
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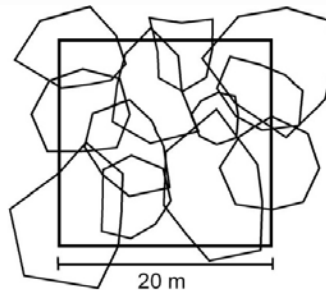
Mixing increases tree number and standing volume rather than mean tree diameter or height



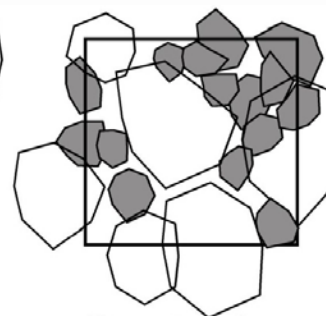
Denser canopy space filling in mixed stands: higher sum of crown area and multiple ground coverage



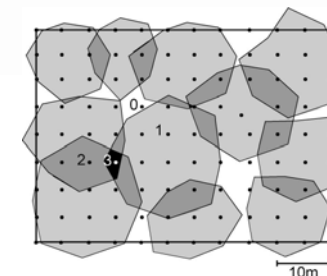
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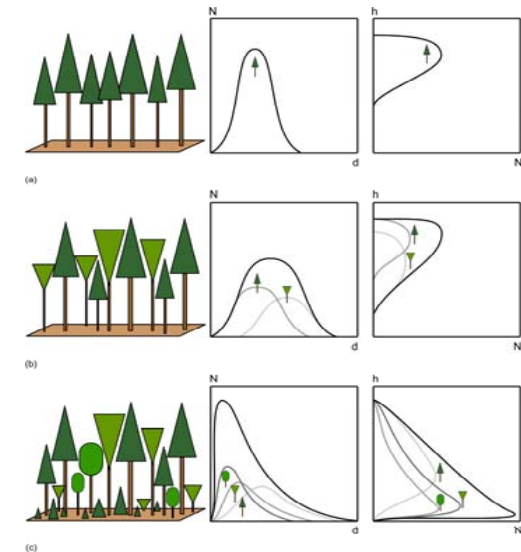
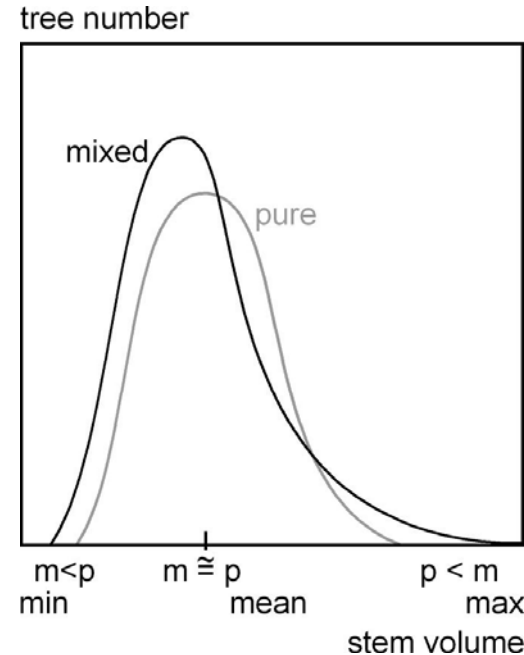
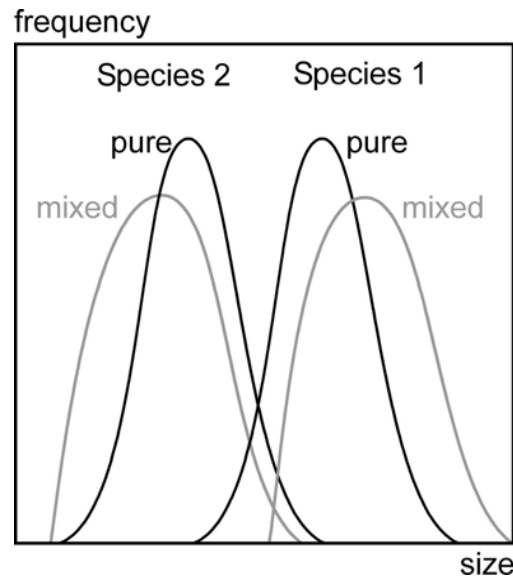
European beech
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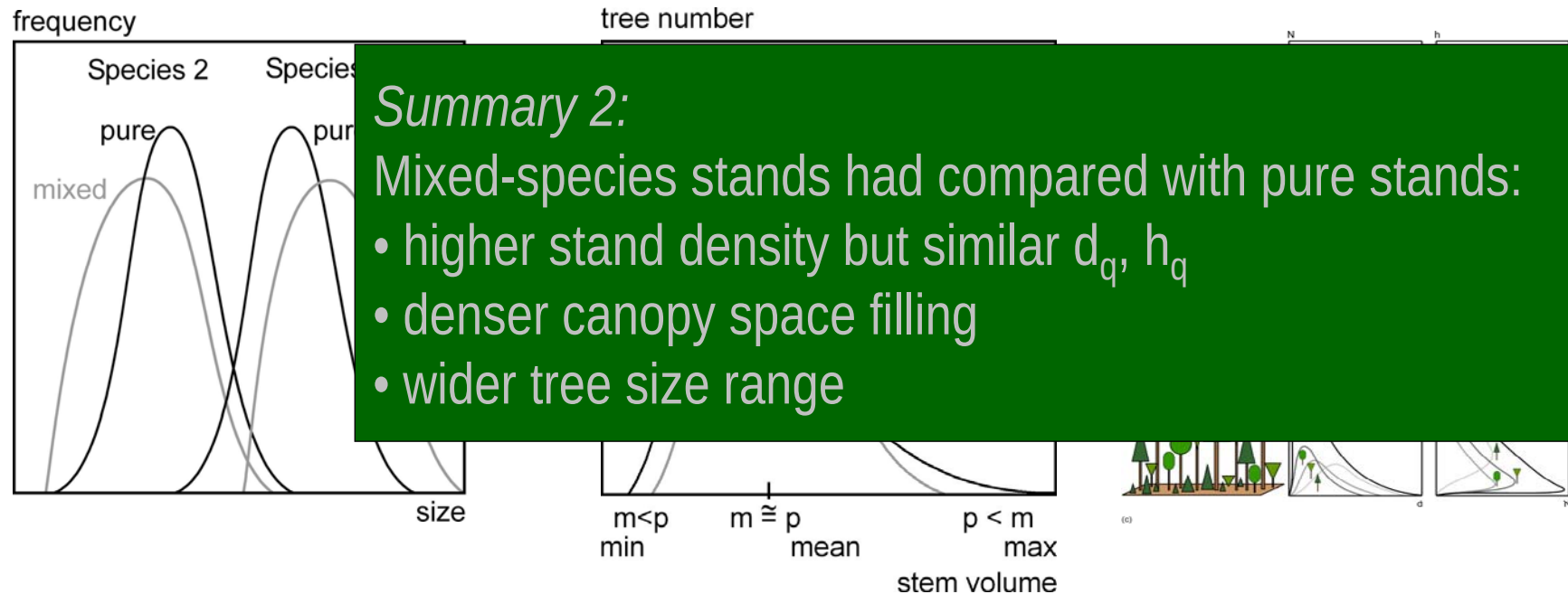
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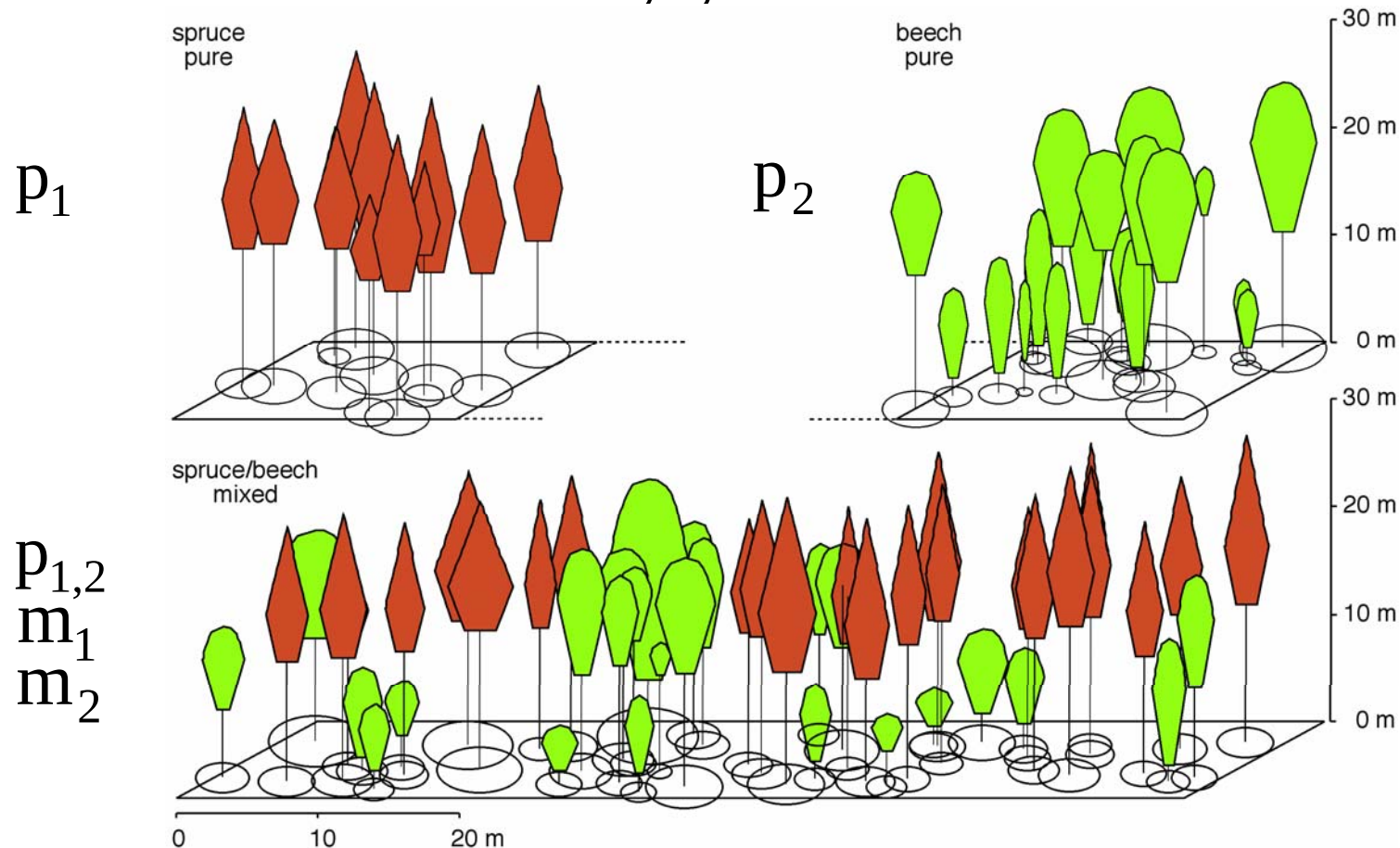
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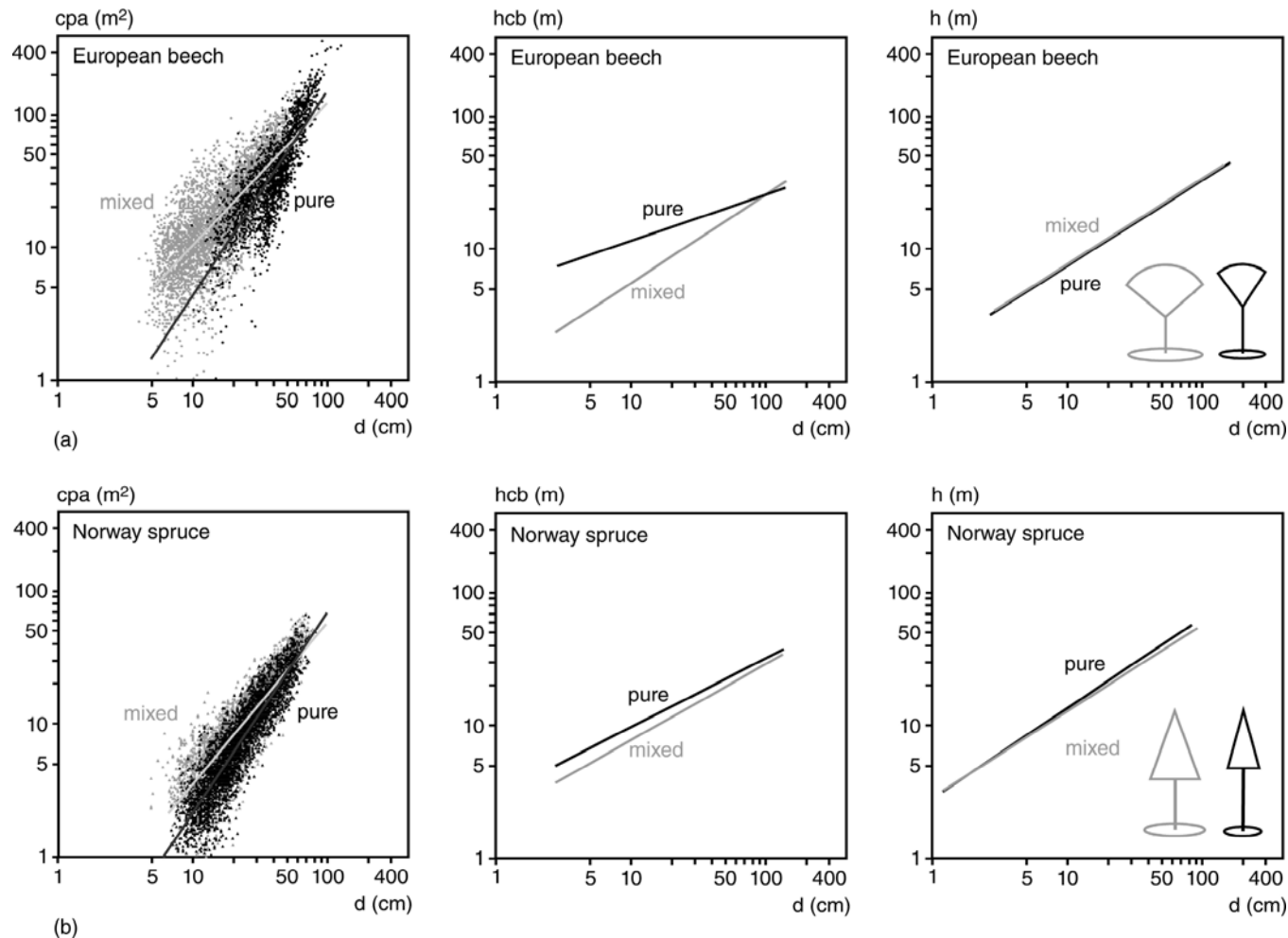


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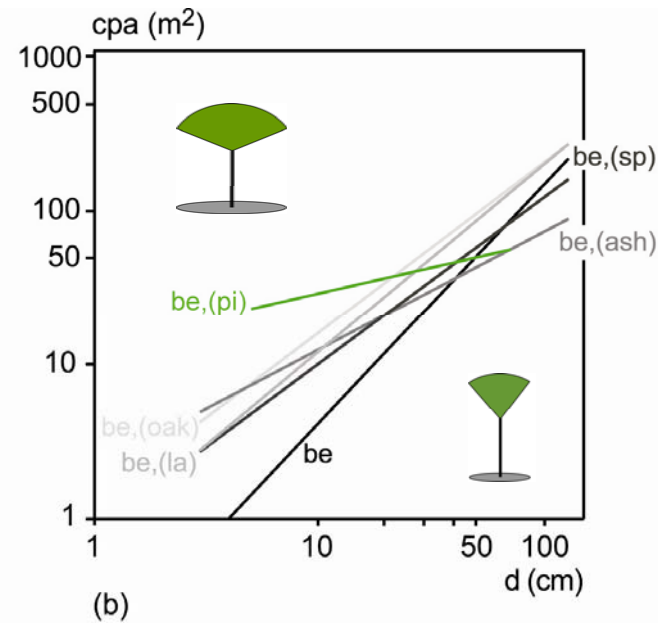
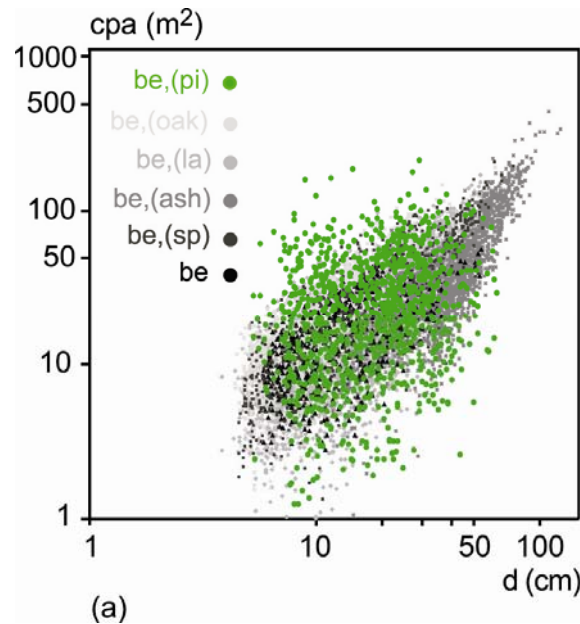
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Effect of species mixing on the crown allometry of European beech and Norway spruce



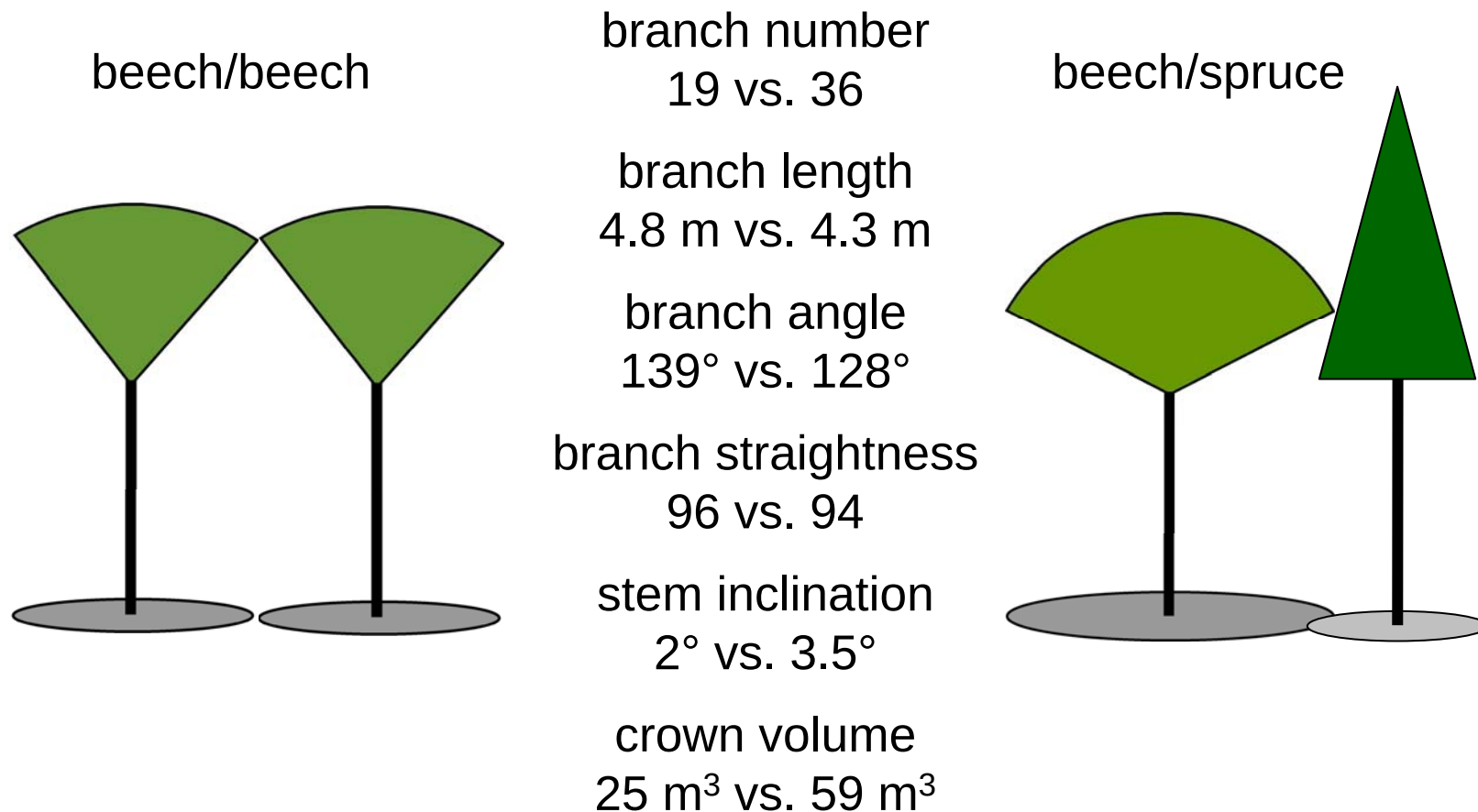
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Allometry between crown projection area and stem diameter of European when growing in mono-specific versus mixed stands

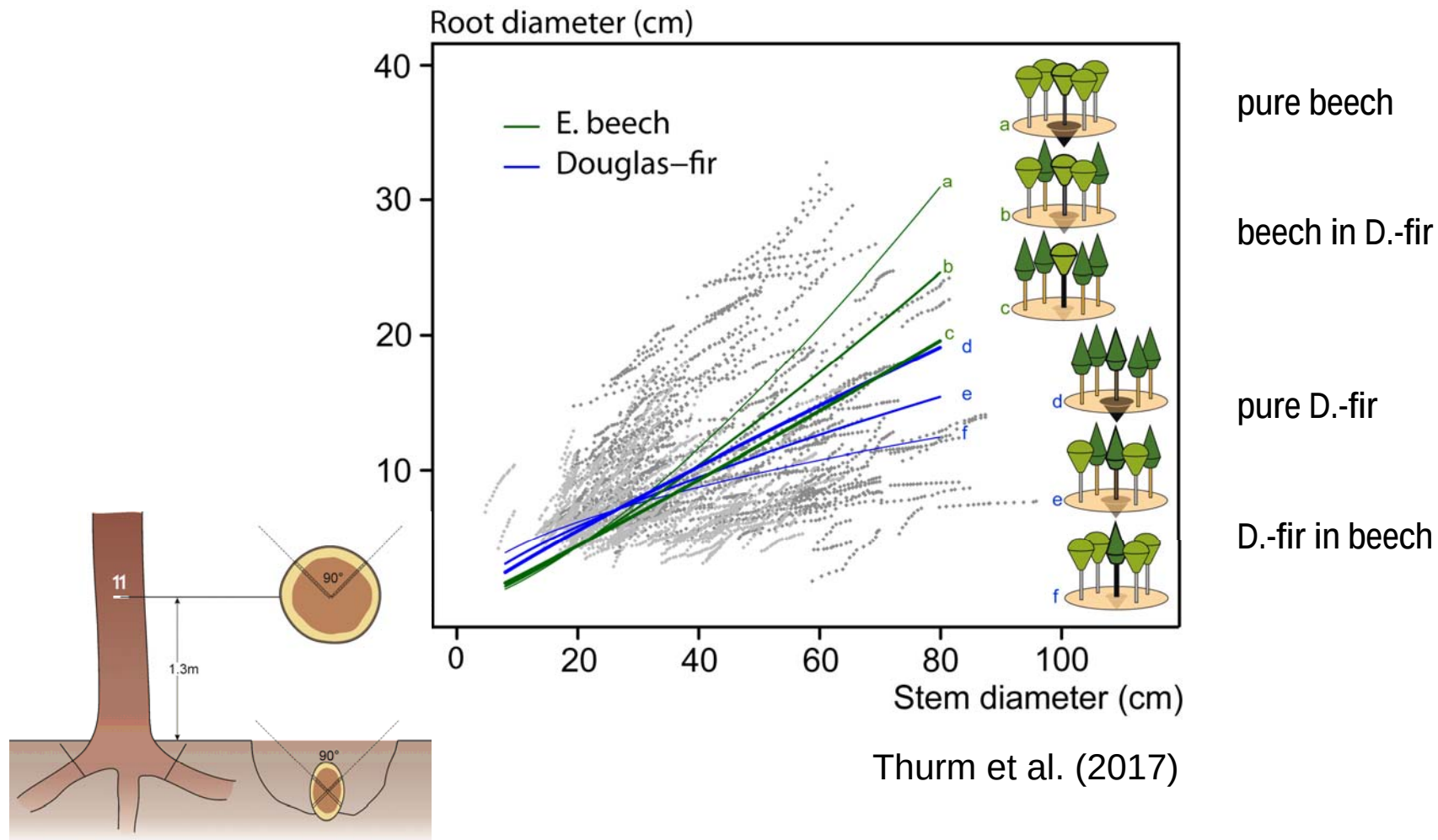


S. pine
s. oak
E. ash
E. larch
N. spruce

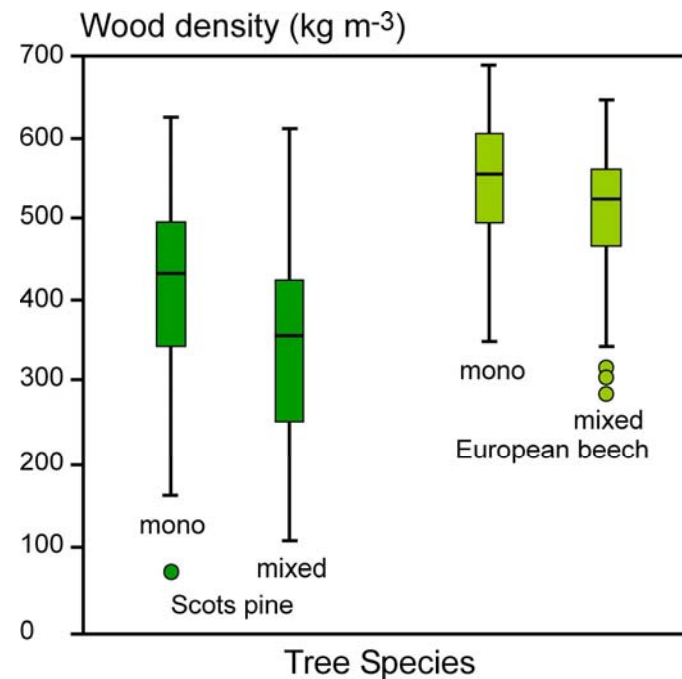
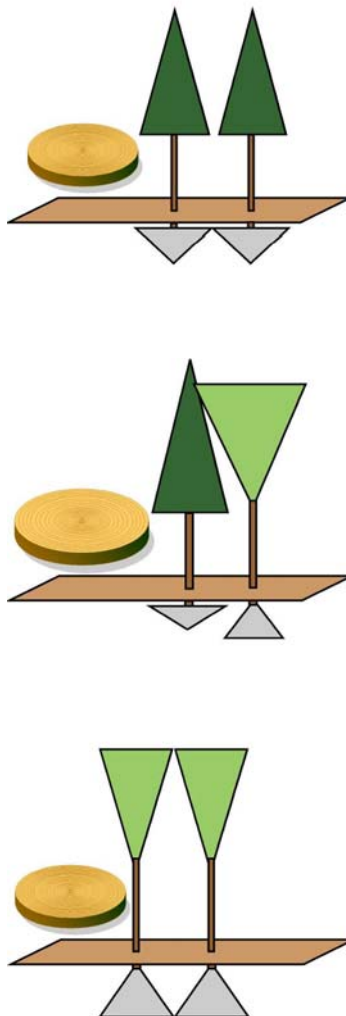
Morphological differences in intra- vs. inter-specific environment despite of equal biomass



Enhancement of shoot in relation to coarse root growth in mixed compare with mono-specific stands of European beech and Douglas-fir

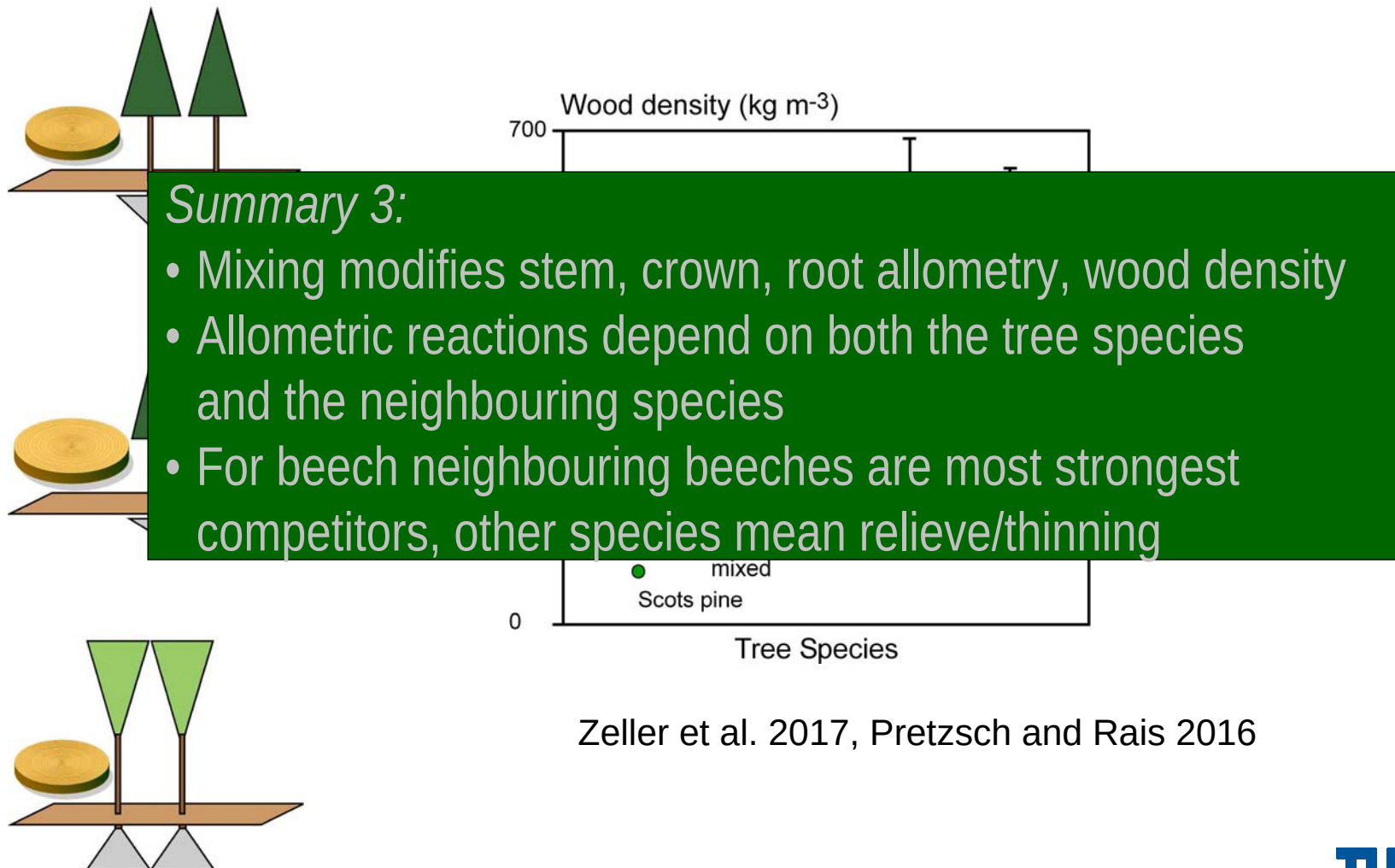


Wood density in mixed-species stands of S. pine and E. beech compared with monocultures



Zeller et al. 2017, Pretzsch and Rais 2016

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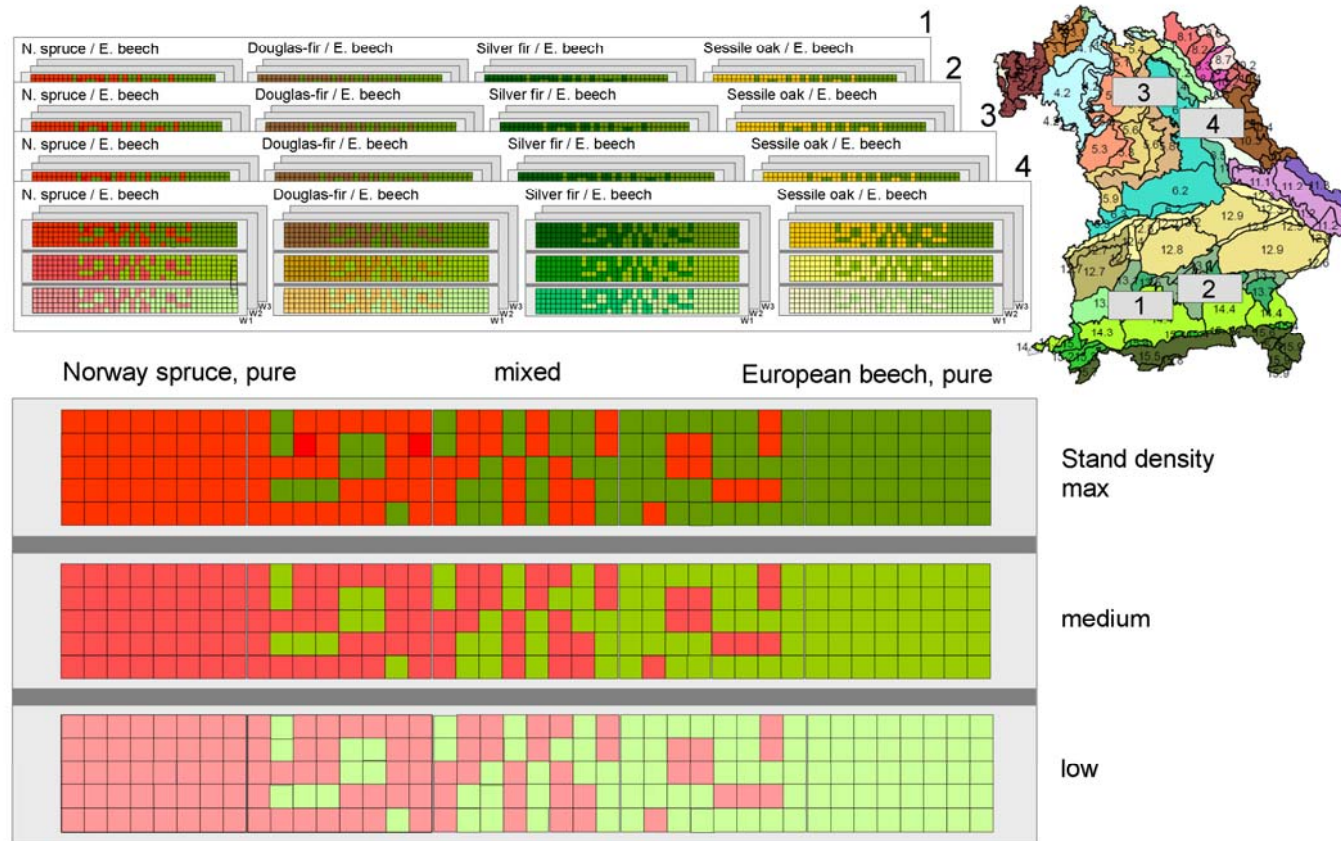
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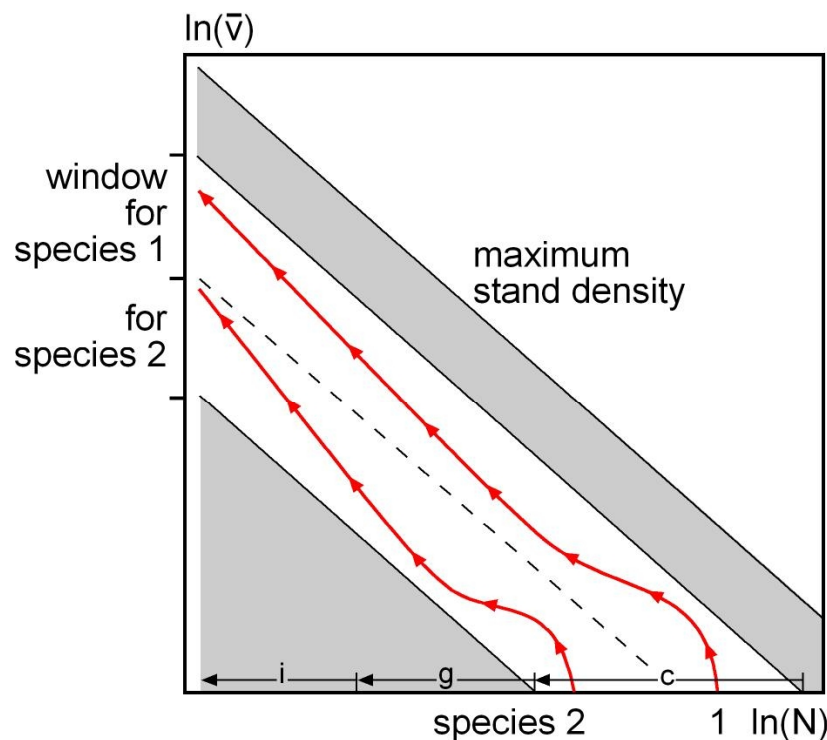
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Long-term experiments in addition to inventory data for analyses, model parameterization, teaching, and training

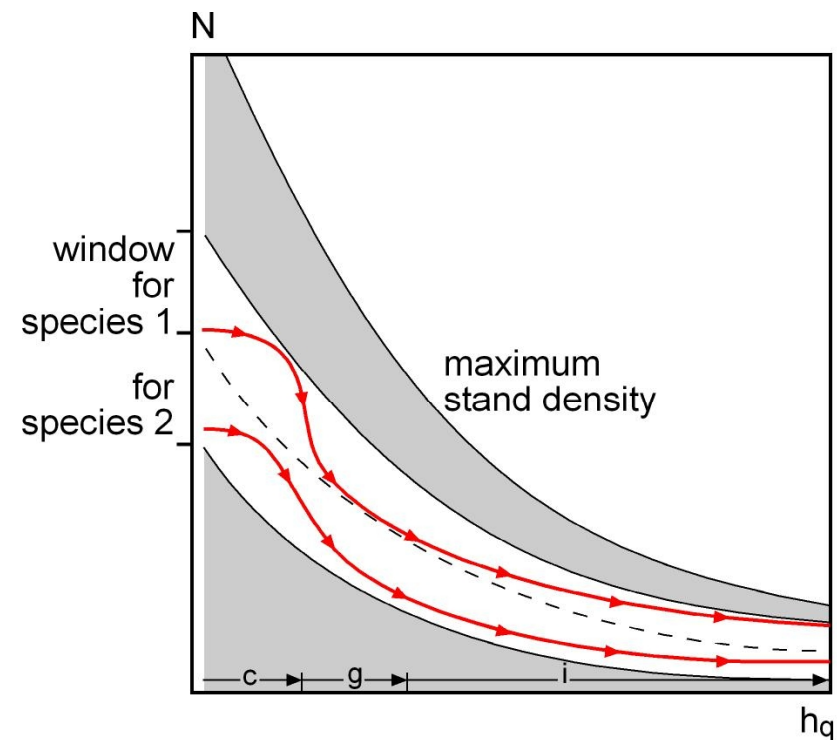


Nagel et al. (2012), von Gadow (2017), Pretzsch et al. (2017)

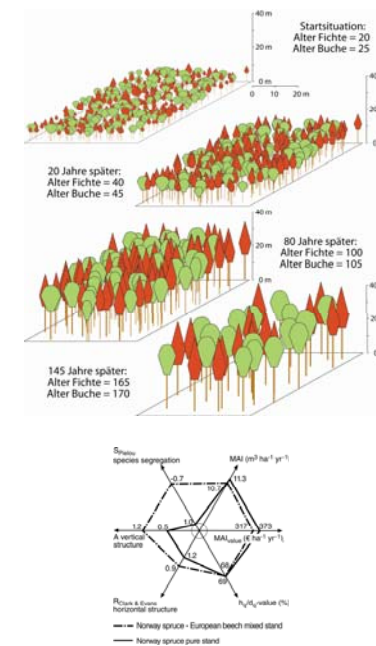
Guidelines for silvicultural regulation of mixed-species stand can bring the mixing idea onto the ground



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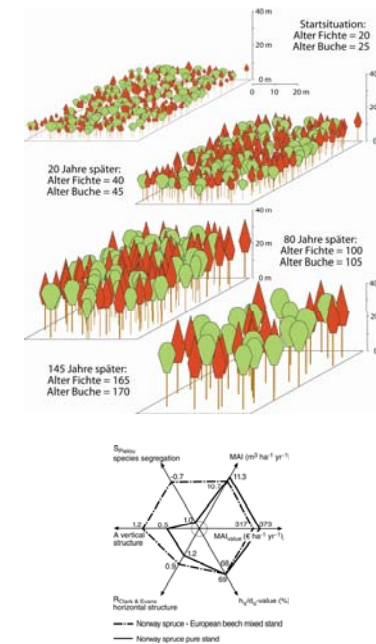
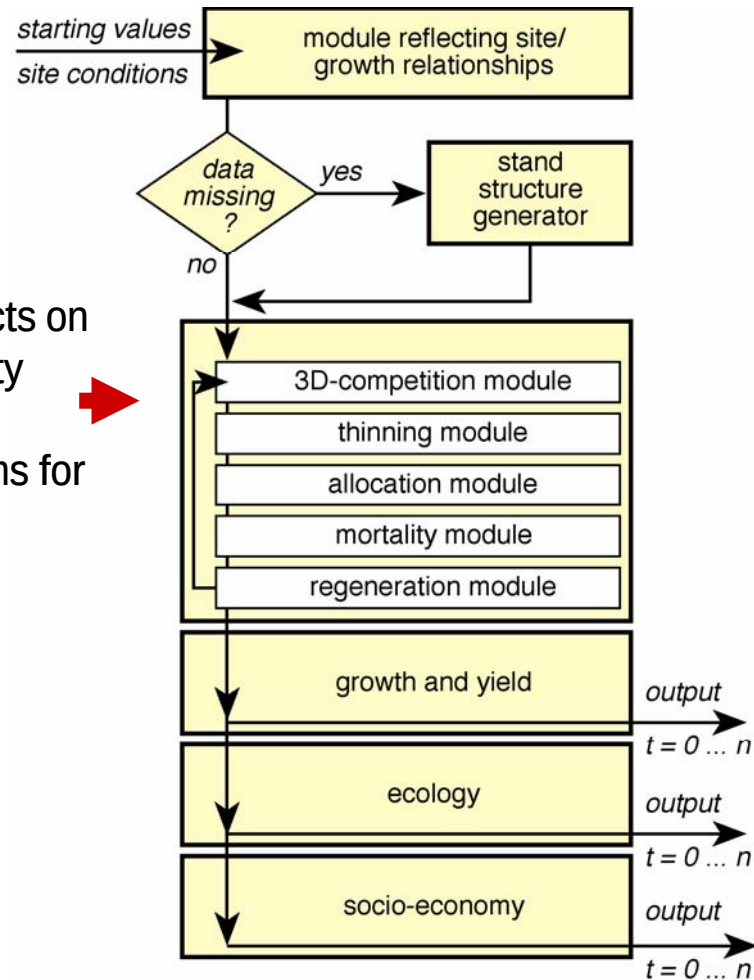
(b)



SILVA 3.0 as example of a spatially explicit individual tree model for pure and mixed stands

Integration of mixing effects on growth, structure, mortality

Extension of the algorithms for silvicultural regulation





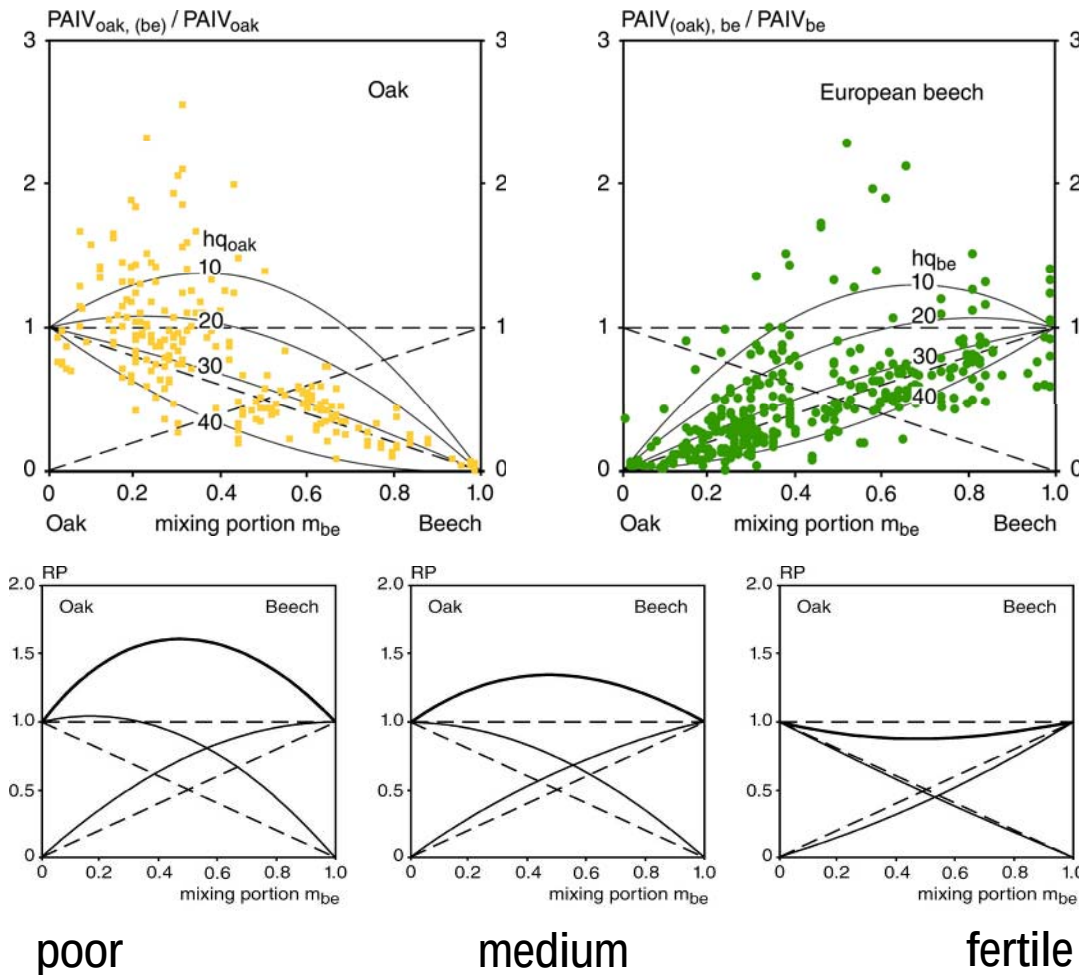


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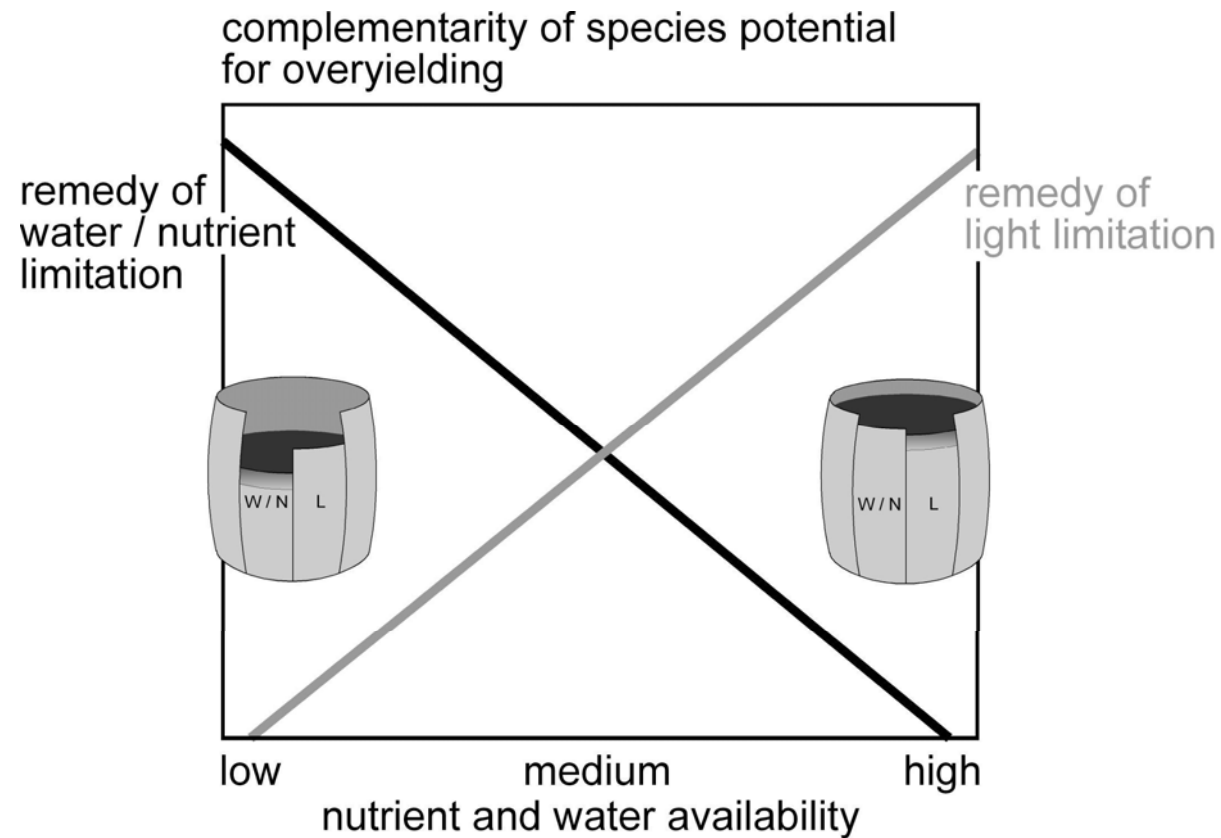
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Transect study: Overyielding increases with water and nutrient scarcity

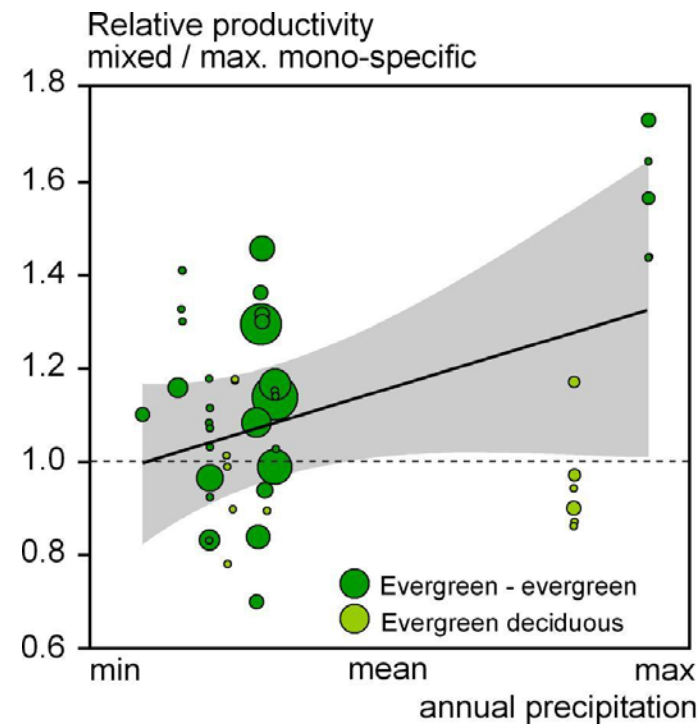
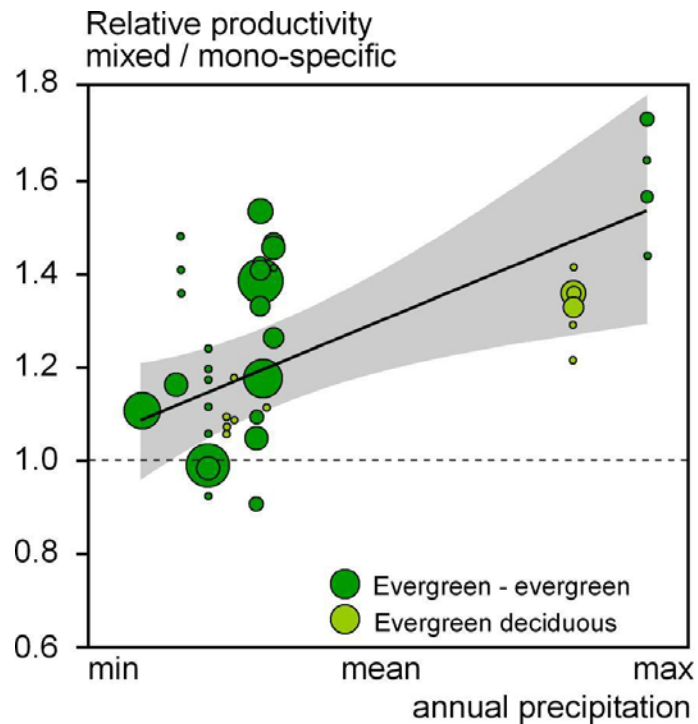


Conceptual model for the dependency of overyielding on site conditions



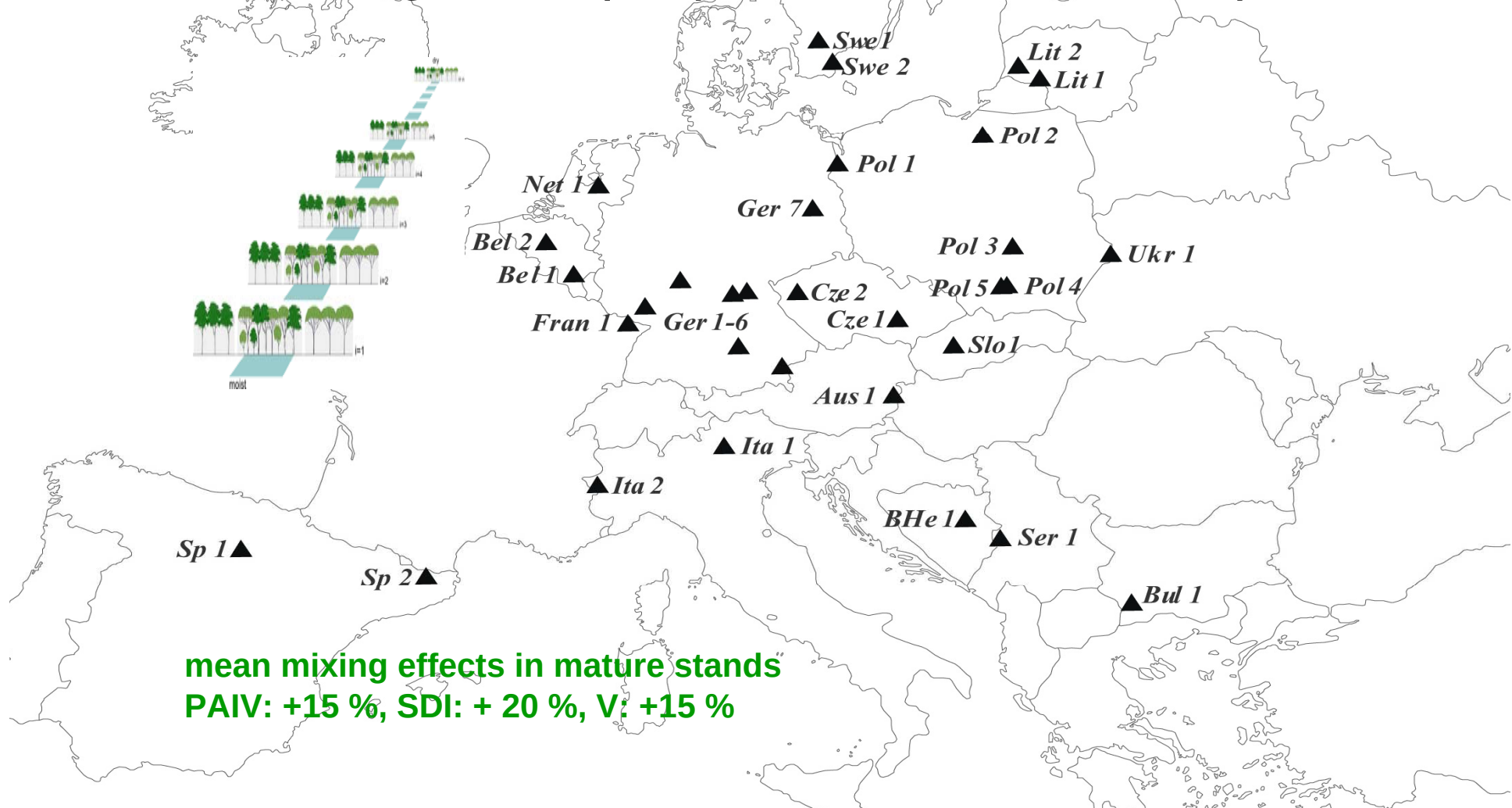
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Increasing overyielding (15 %) and transgressive overyielding with water availability

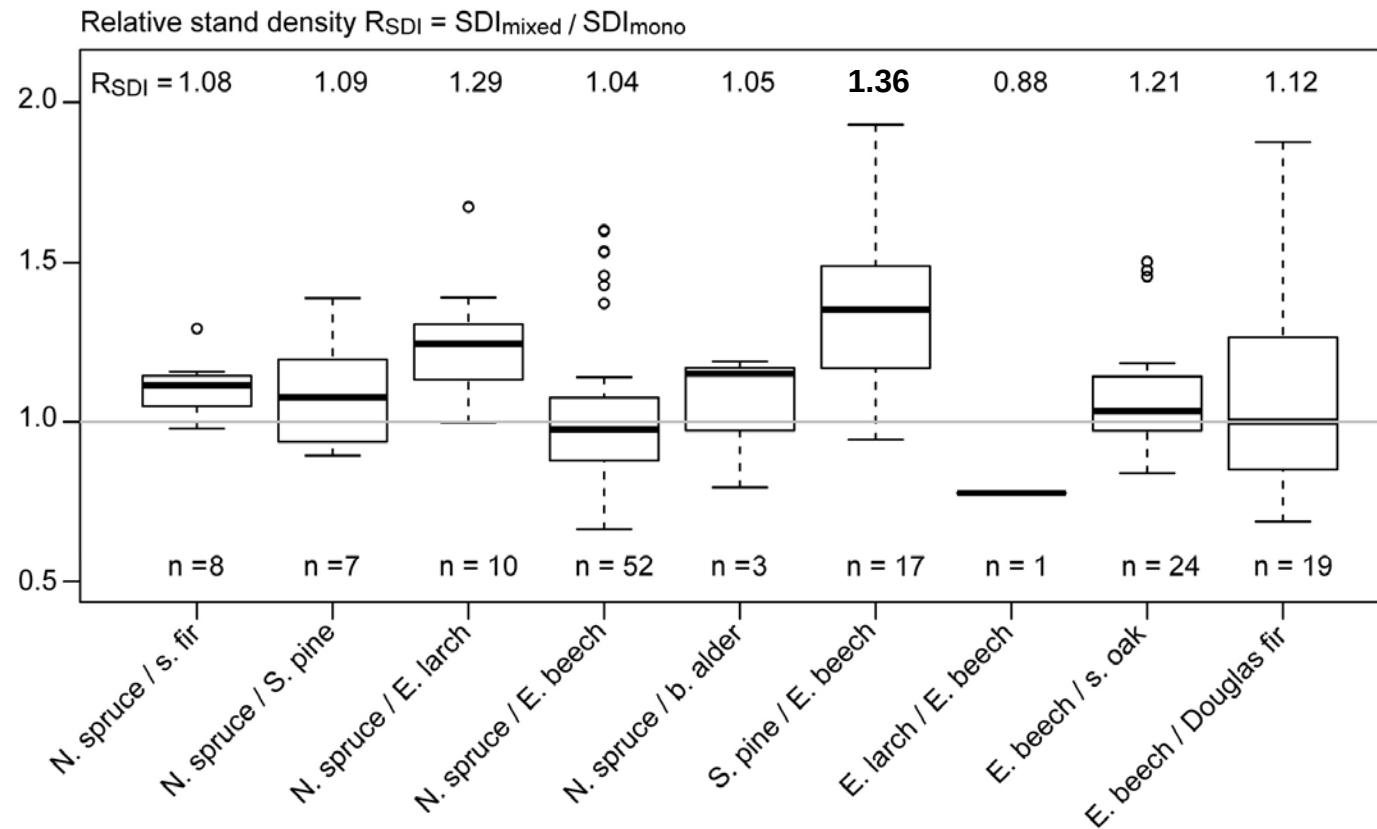


no significant transgressive underyielding

Mixing effects on 32 triplets of Scots pine and European beech along a productivity gradient through Europe (EuMIXFOR FP 1206)



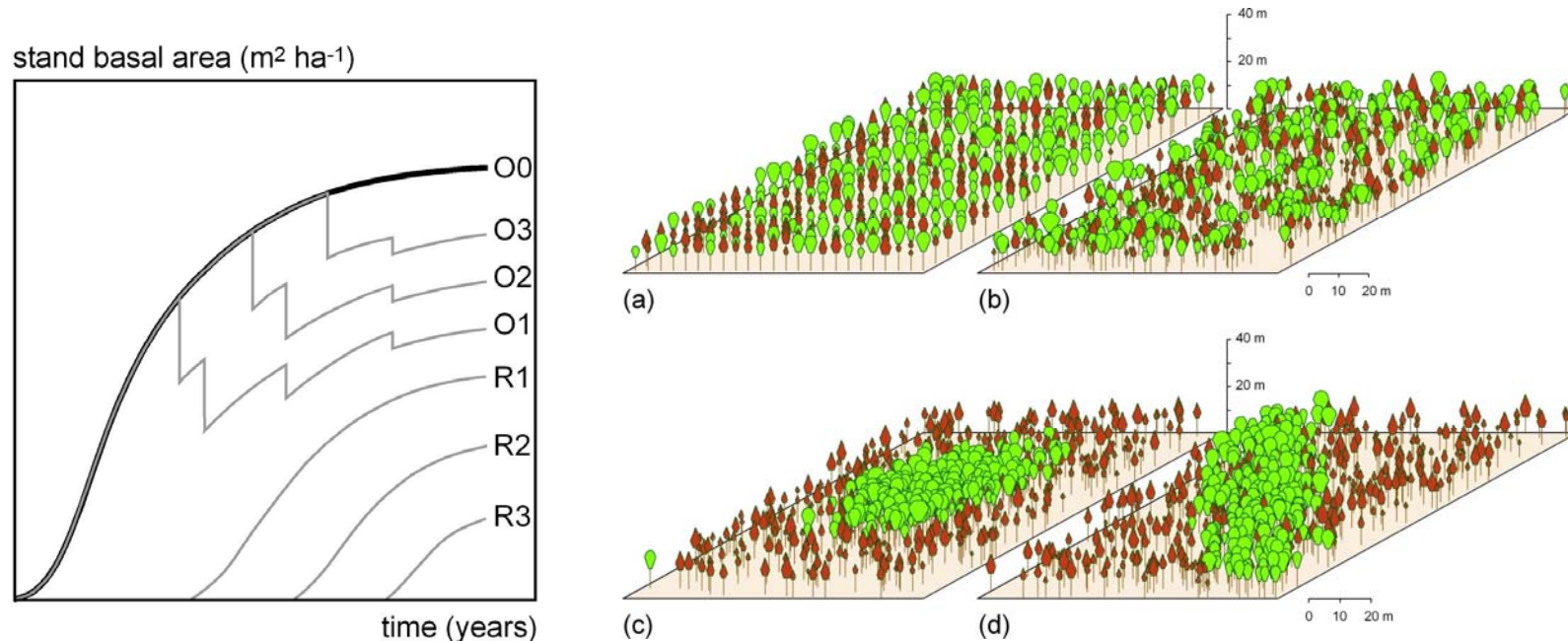
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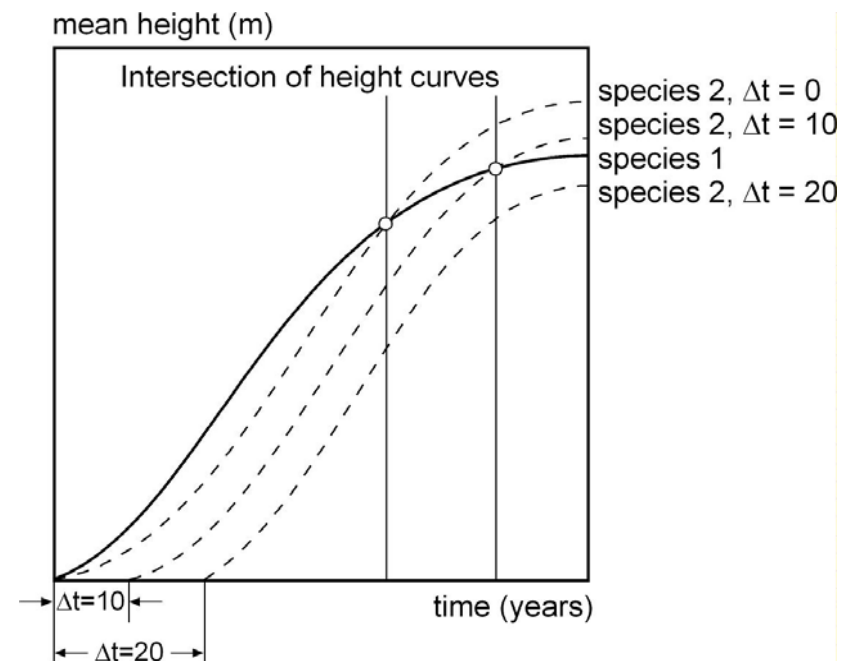
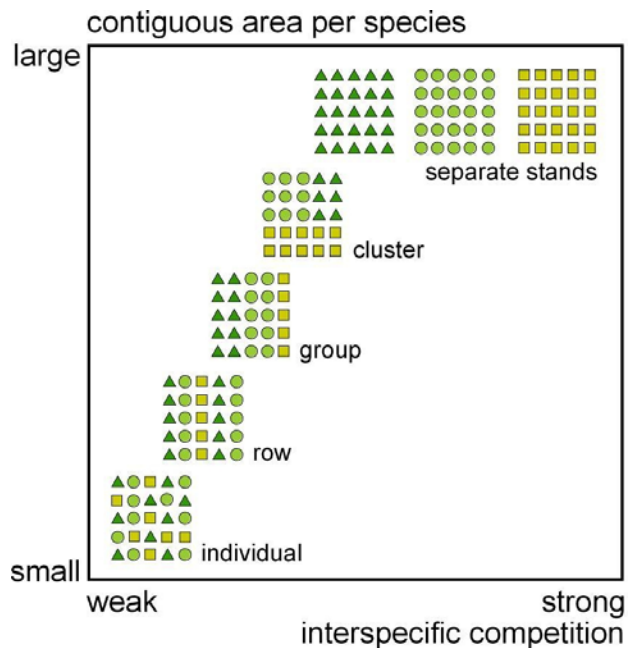


Mixed spruce-fir-beech mountain forest in montane and subalpine zones (600-1,400 m a.s.l.)

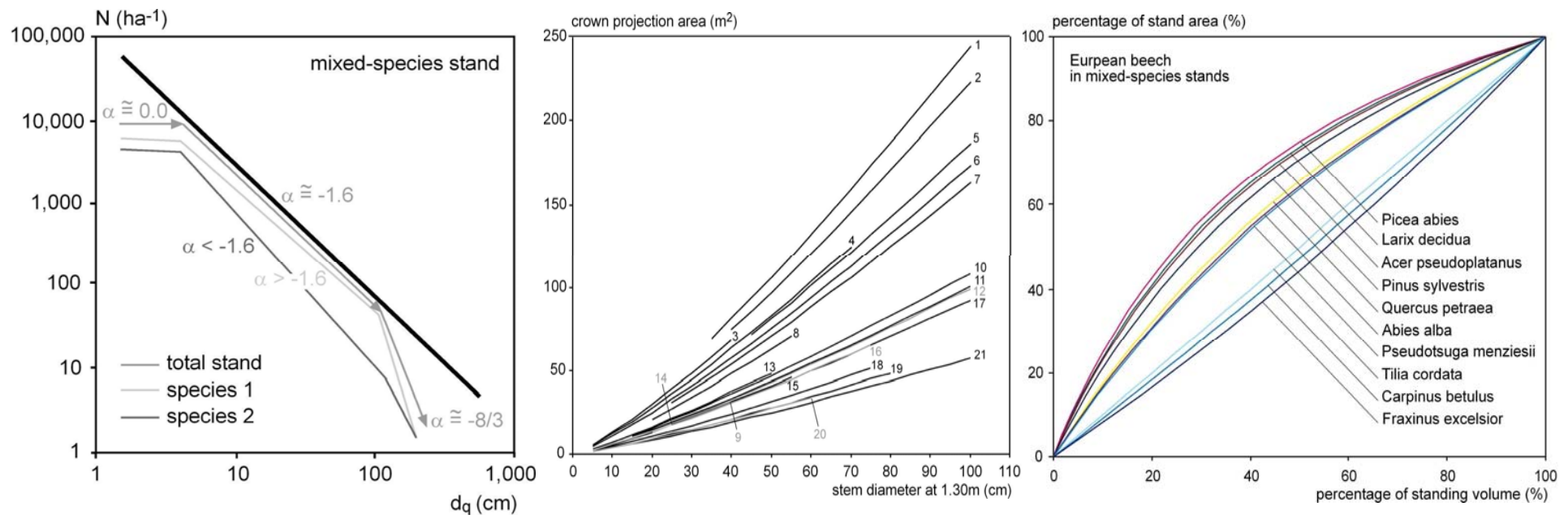
Rules and algorithms for initiating the regeneration depending on the density of the overstorey



Rules and algorithms for regulation of competition by spatial or temporal separation



Rules and algorithms for regulation of stand density and species-specific mixing proportions

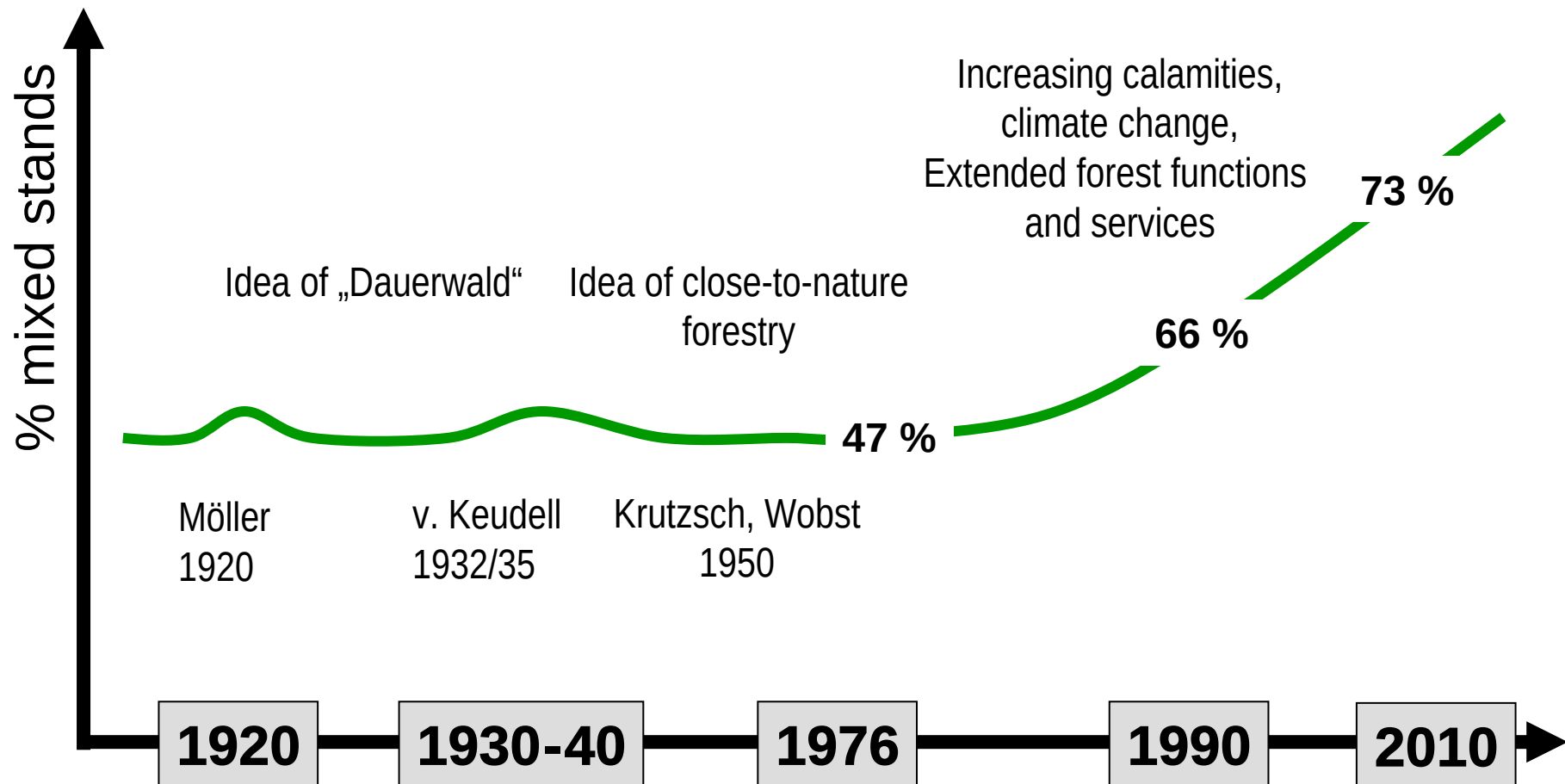


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 5) *Khaya senegalensis* (Desr.) A.Juss., 6) *Fagus sylvatica* L., 7) *Aesculus hippocastanum* L.,
 8) *Robinia pseudoacacia* L., 9) *Alnus glutinosa* [L.] Gaertn., 10) *Araucaria cunninghamii* Aiton ex. D.Don,
 11) *Pseudotsuga menziesii* [Mirb.], 12) *Abies alba* Mill., 13) *Sorbus aucuparia* L., 14) *Betula pendula* Roth,
 15) *Acer pseudoplatanus* L., 16) *Abies sachalinensis* Mast., 17) *Quercus petraea* [Matt.] Liebl.,
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Back to complex mixed-species forests. From the idea to realization in Bavaria



Mixing proportions (>10 % stand area) according to inventories GRI 1971, BWI I 1987, BWI 2 2002, BWI 3 2014 in Bavaria