

Bryophytes are predicted to lag behind future climate change despite their high dispersal capacities

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Species distribution models



- Based on niche concept
- Main assumption:

species are at equilibrium with their environment

→ No dispersal limitations

→ Importance to develop framework (Zurell et al 2016, *Glob. Chang. Biol.*)

MigClim

- Automaton (Engler & Guisan, 2009. *Divers. Distrib.*)
- Few required parameters

But not spatially explicit

→ Important to include spatial variation



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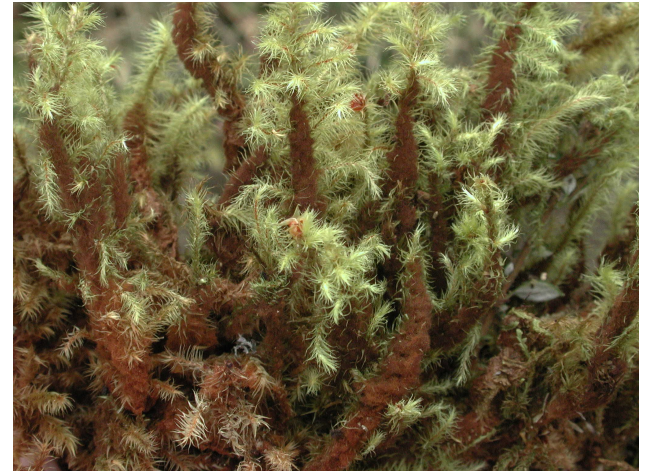
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Sphagnum affine; M. Luth, 2014; swissbryophytes 28686

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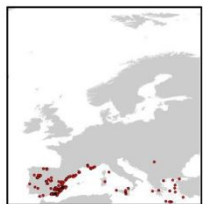
Highly sensitive to climate change

He *et al.*, 2016. *Persp. Plant Ecol. Evol. Syst.*

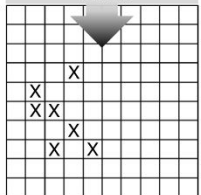
Objective

- Implement a hybrid statistical-mechanistic approach that accounts for temporal and spatial variation of both climatic conditions and wind connectivity for wind dispersal organism
- Determine the extent to which highly efficient dispersers like bryophytes can mitigate the loss of suitable habitats through rapid colonization of newly suitable areas

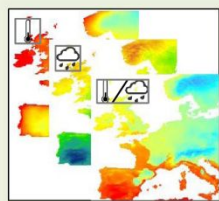
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Correlative niche model



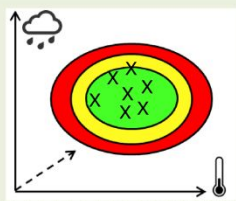
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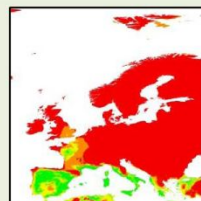
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Mechanistic dispersal model



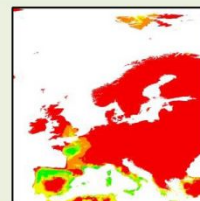
Climatological variables



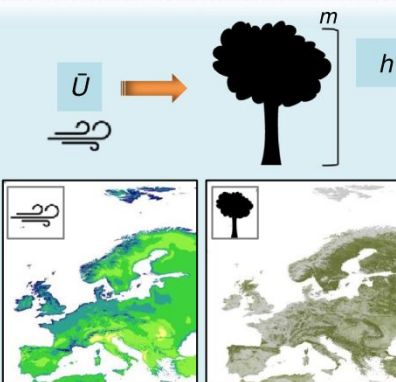
Habitat suitability model (BIOMOD)



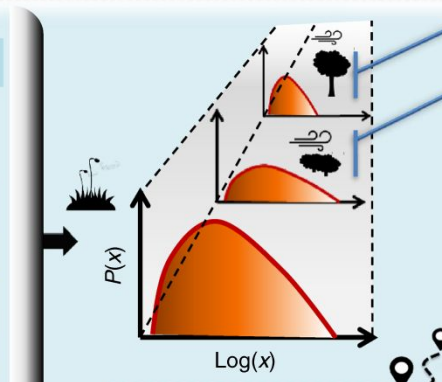
Spatial projection (Present)



Spatial predictions (Future: RCPs)



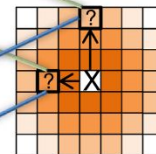
Biomechanical and atmospheric variables



Mechanistic analytical model (WALD)

Climatic scenarios

PART 3
Migration simulation



Cellular automaton (MigClim)

Dispersal scenarios

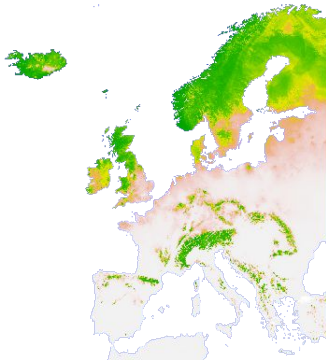
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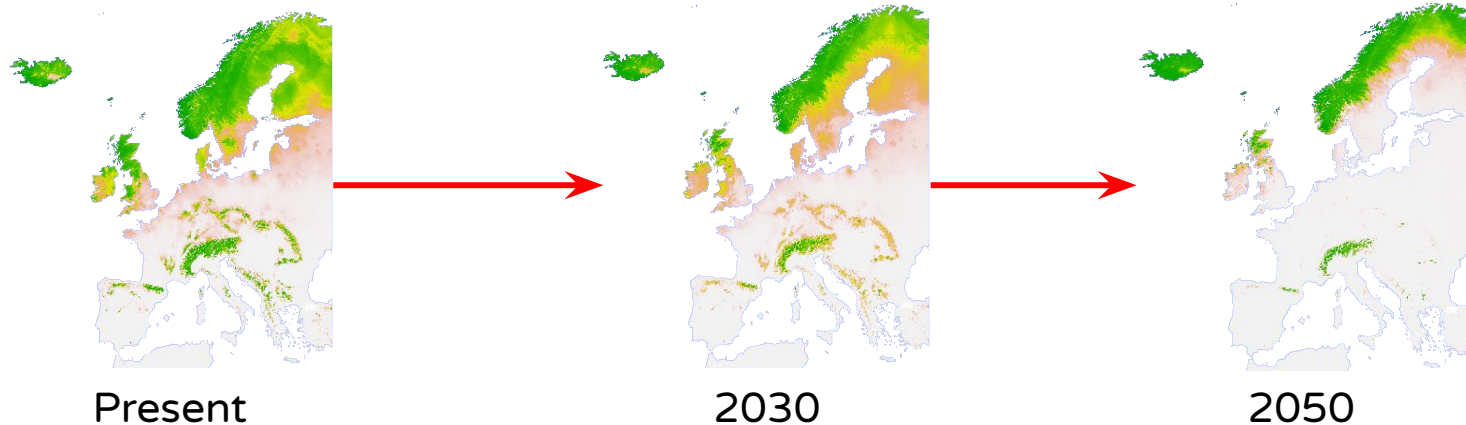


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Part 2: Dispersal kernels



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Release
height



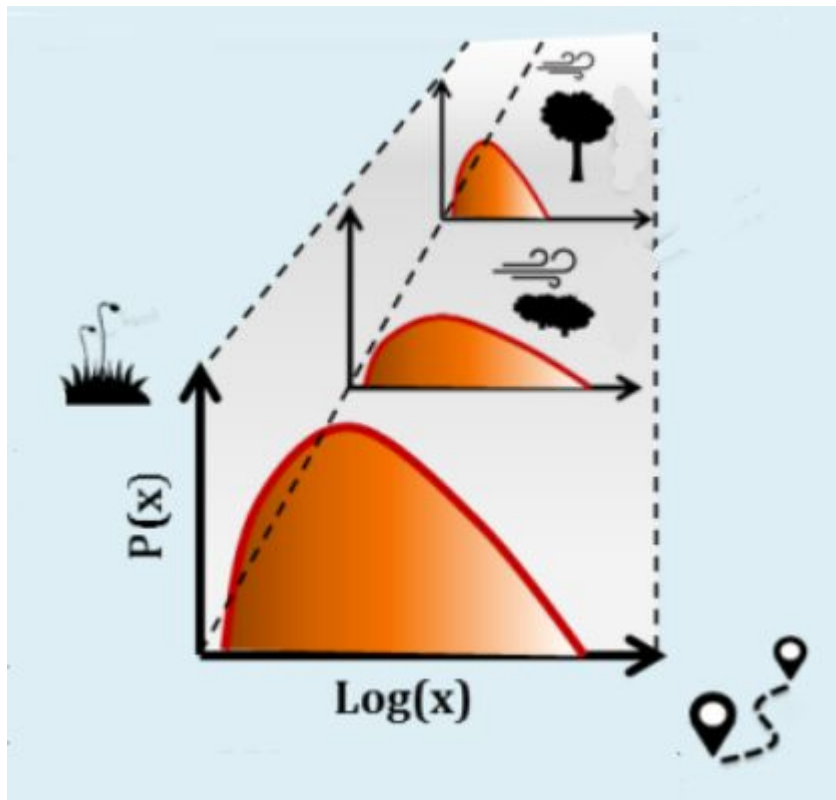
Wind
speed



Canopy
height



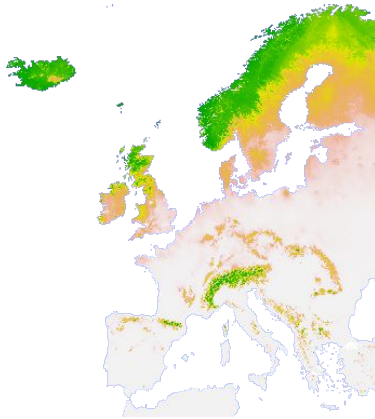
Dispersal probability curves



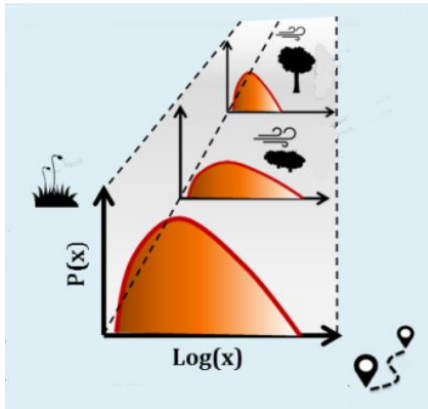
1 to 10 km

After 10km → long distance
dispersal probability from
phylogenetic evidence

Part 3: Simulation

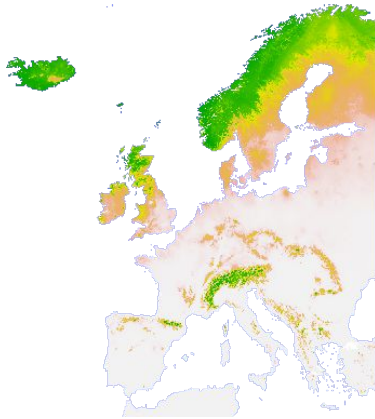


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Maps

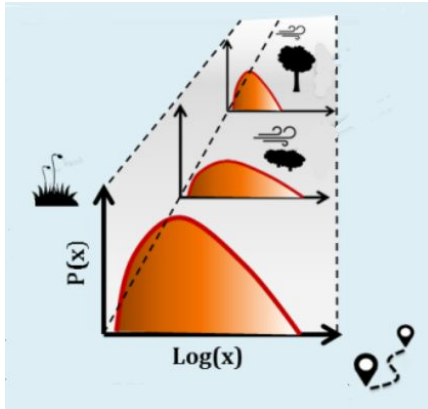


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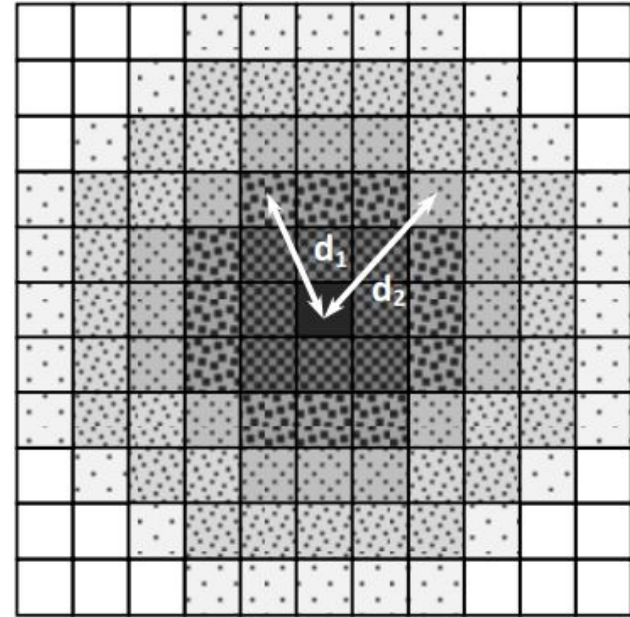
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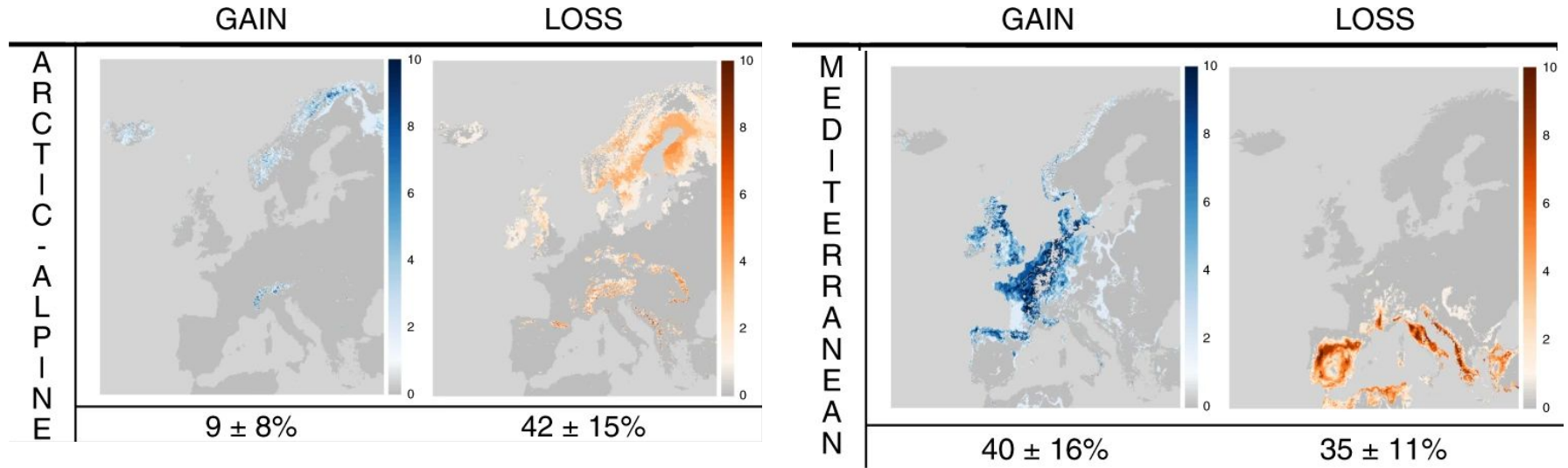


Dispersal
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MigClim simulator

Correlative SDMs

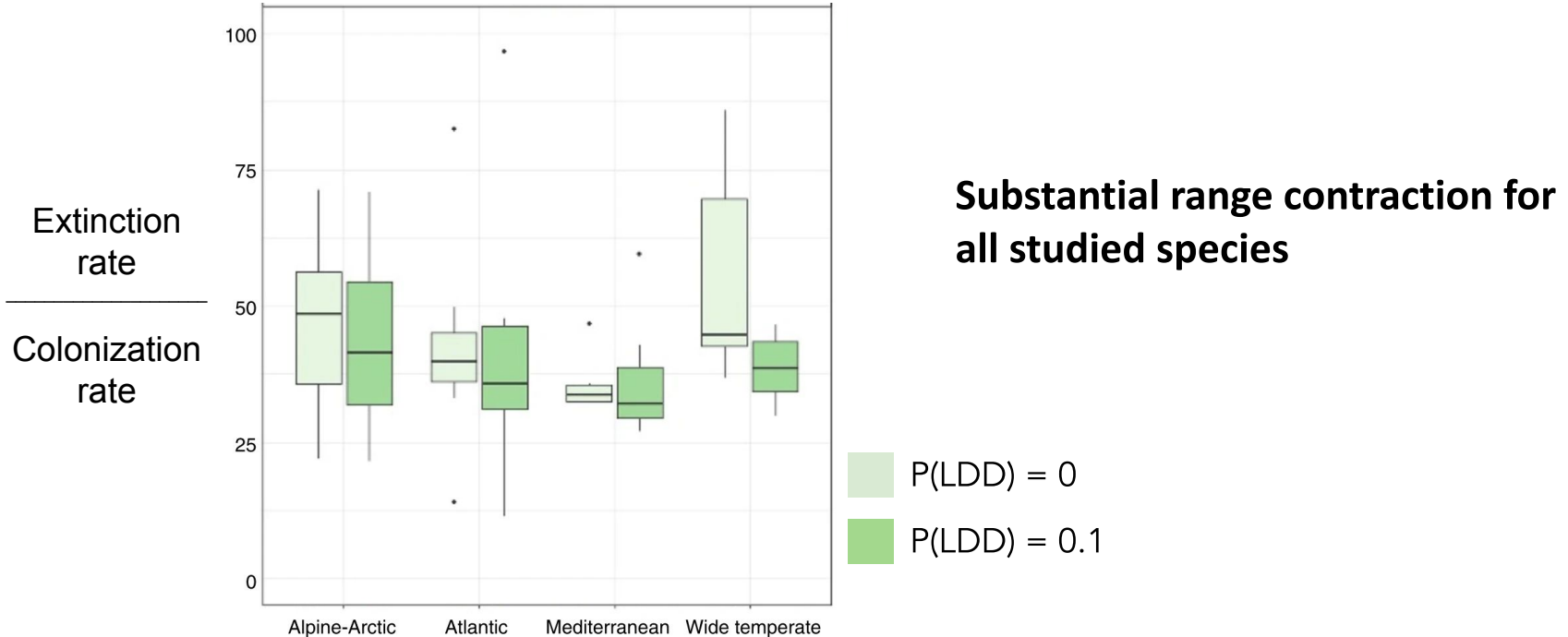


- Arctic-Alpine species are the most impacted by climate change
- Opposite situation for the mediterranean one

Needed time to fully colonized new suitable areas in 2050

	$P(\text{LDD}) = 0$	$P(\text{LDD}) = 0.1$
Failed after 500 yrs	98%	35%
Succeed in 2050	0	25%

Extinction is higher than colonization



Conclusion

- Important to incorporate dispersal in SDMs
- Bryophytes are not equipped to track the very fast rates of ongoing climate change for the course of the next decades.



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