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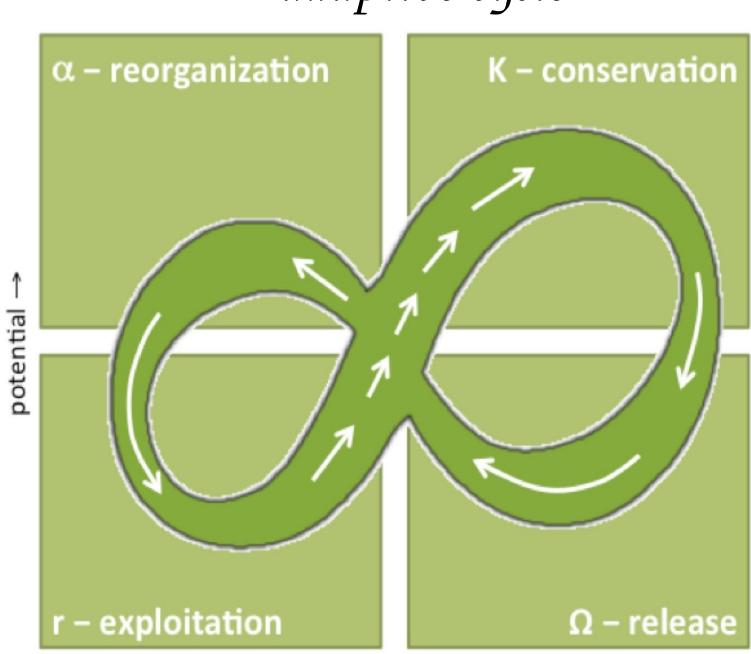


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System dynamics: adaptive cycle



Forest: slow system Long K phase, rare Ω phases (logging)



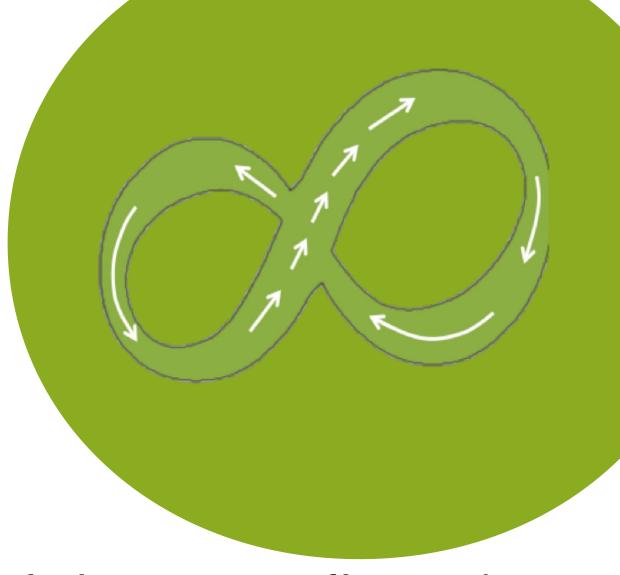
connectedness →



Crop: fast system

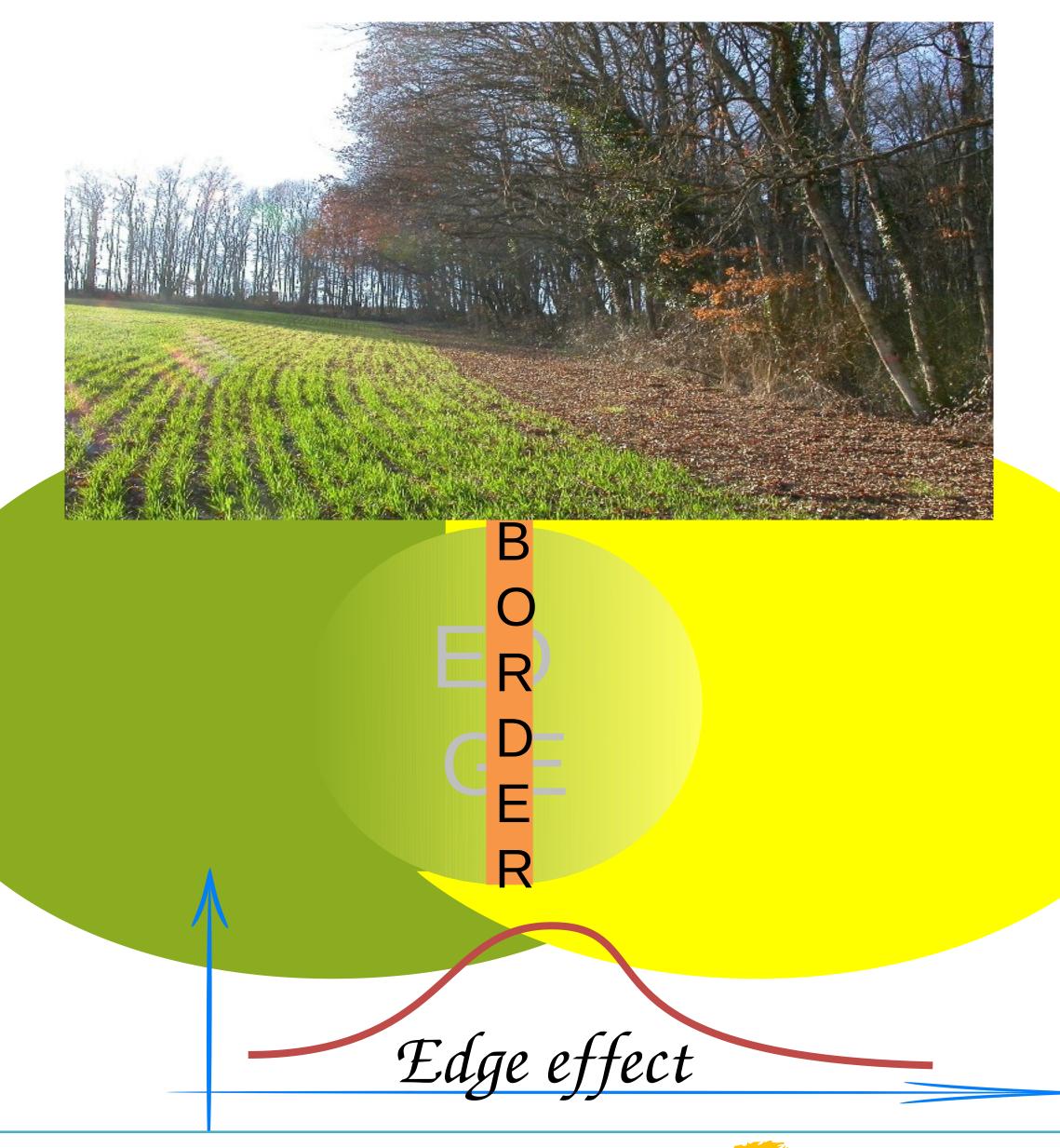
Short K phase,

frequent Ω phases (harvesting)



Both habitats are influenced near their shared border.

Edge is the area of influence.

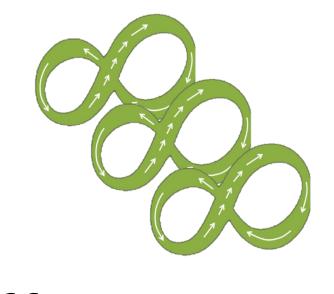


Biodiversity, ecosystem services, resource usages are modified by edge effects.

Controlling edge effect is crucial for a better land management





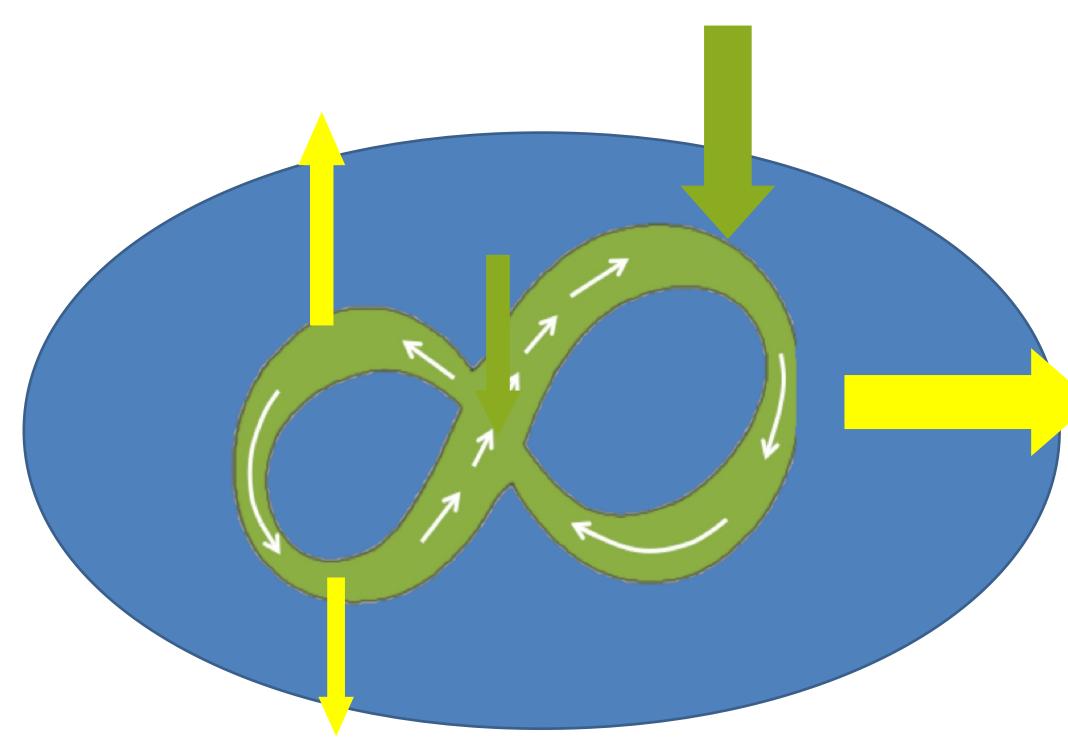


How do the slow and the fast systems spatially interact?

During the **K** phase, the connectedness of the system increases: it influences its outside.

During the other phases, the system is more open and is influenced by its outside:

- Strong influence may trigger Ω phase
- Lower influences contribute to α and r phases, providing novelty and resources



Spatial interface of the complex system

Forest influences crop dynamics most of the time (long K phase).

Crop may influence forest dynamics during regeneration $phases (\Omega, \alpha, r)$



