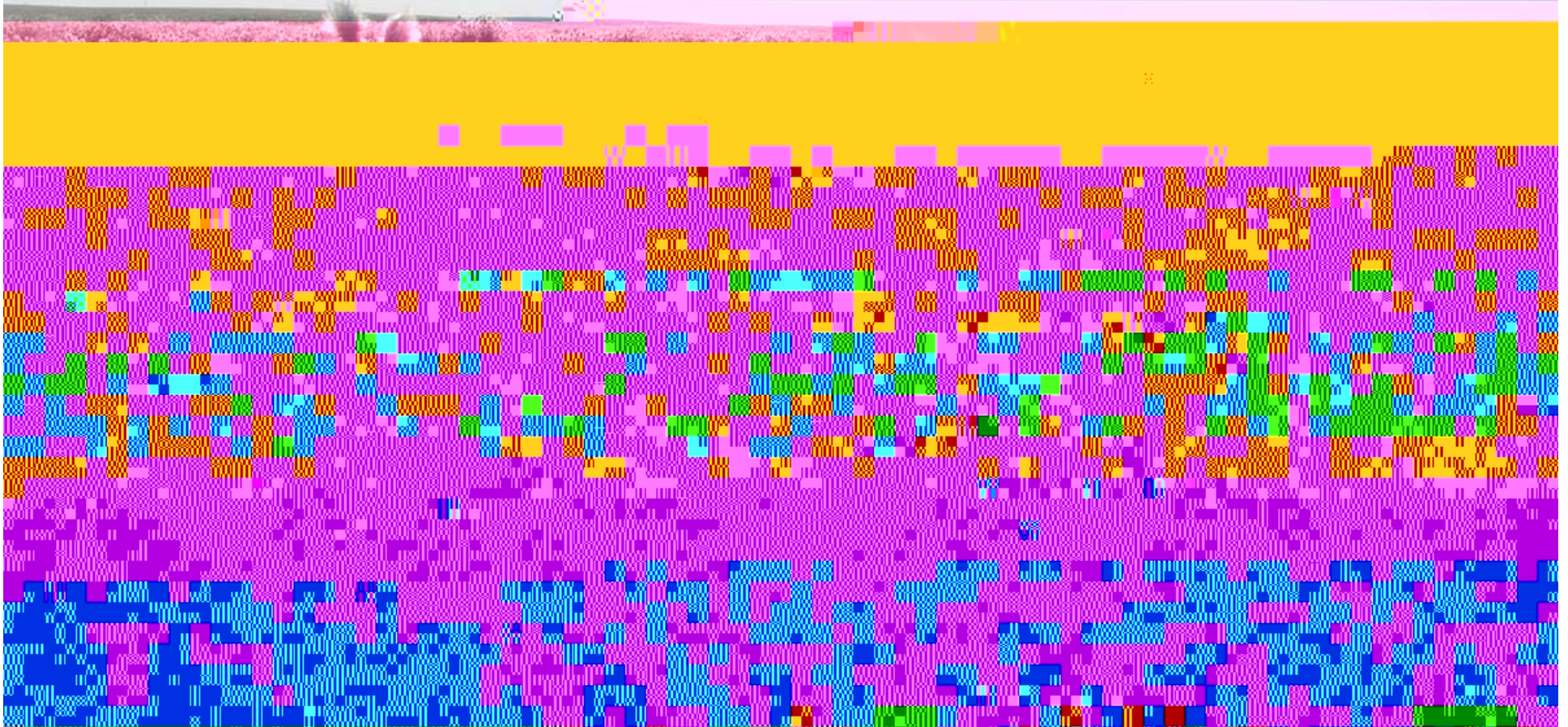


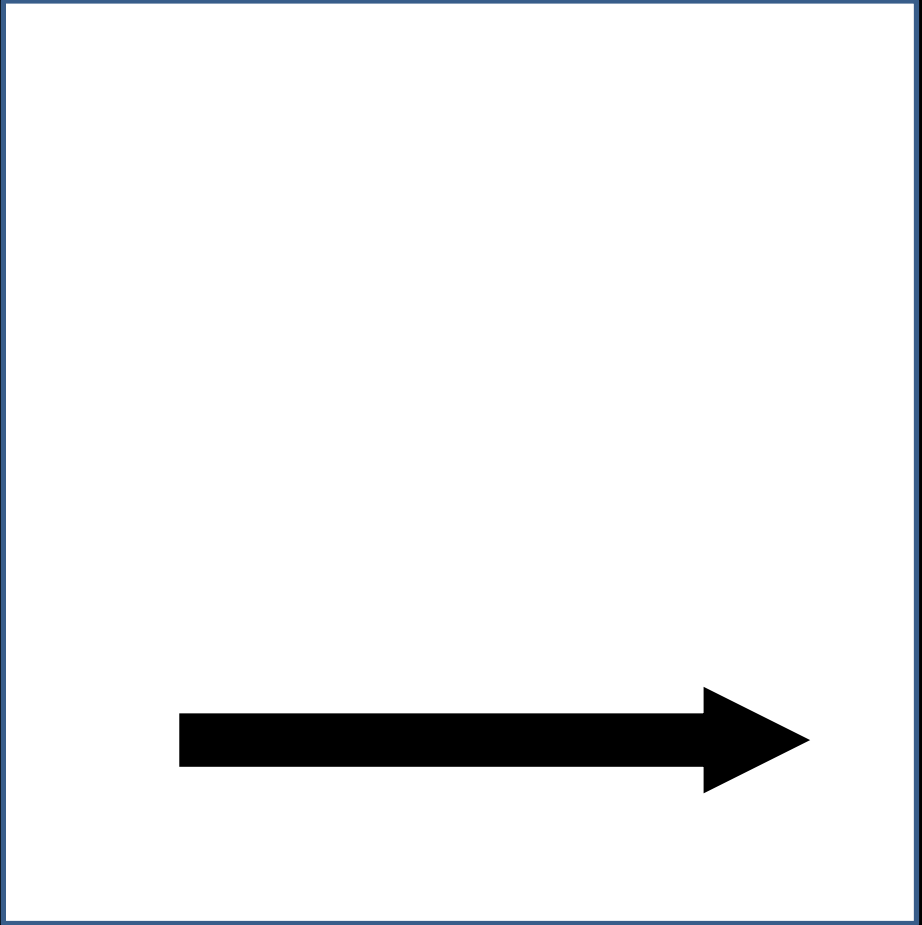
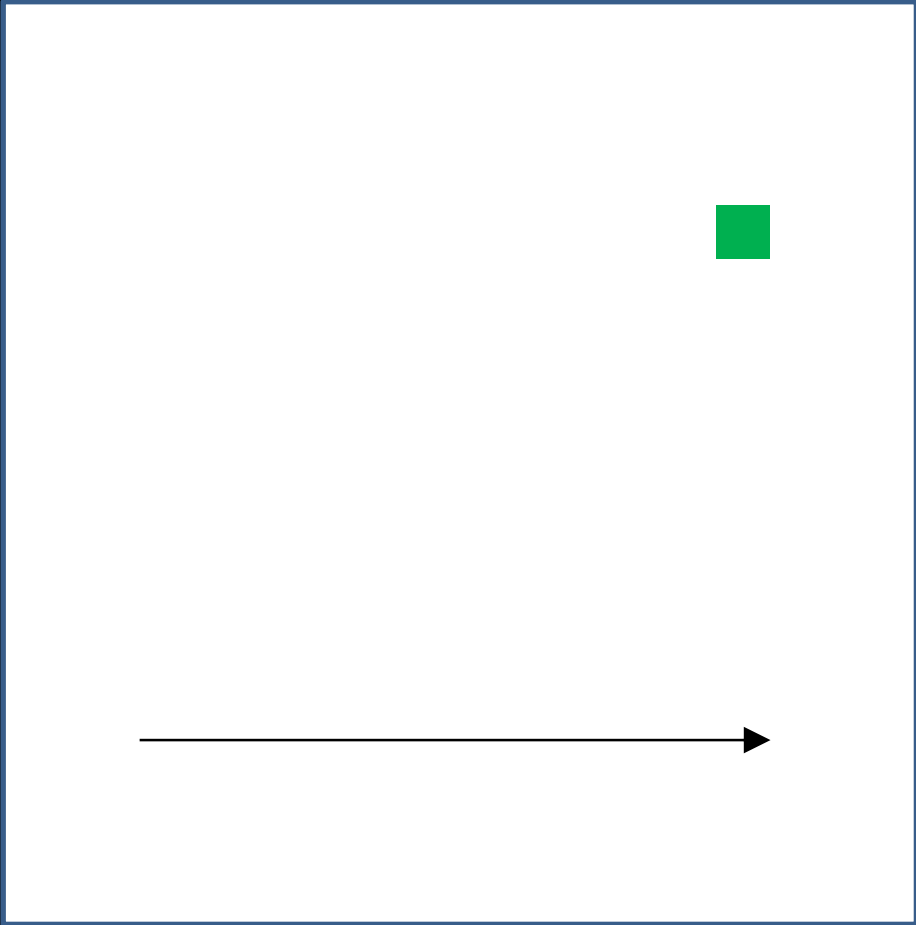
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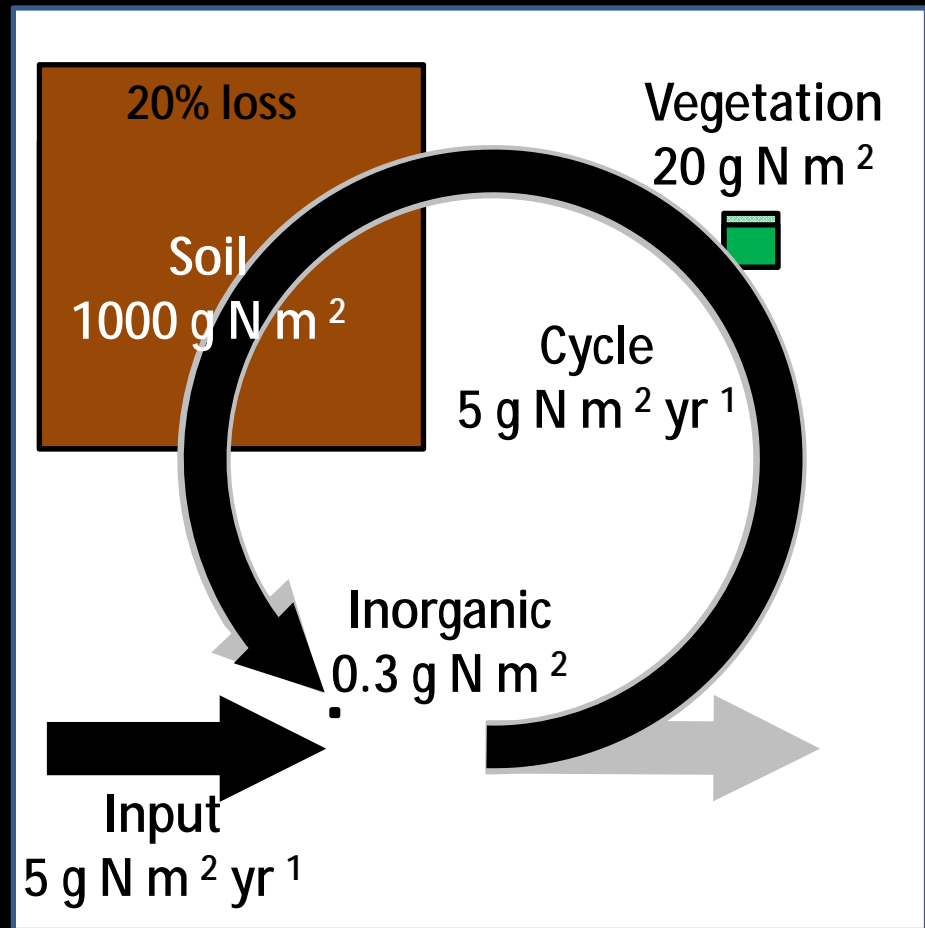
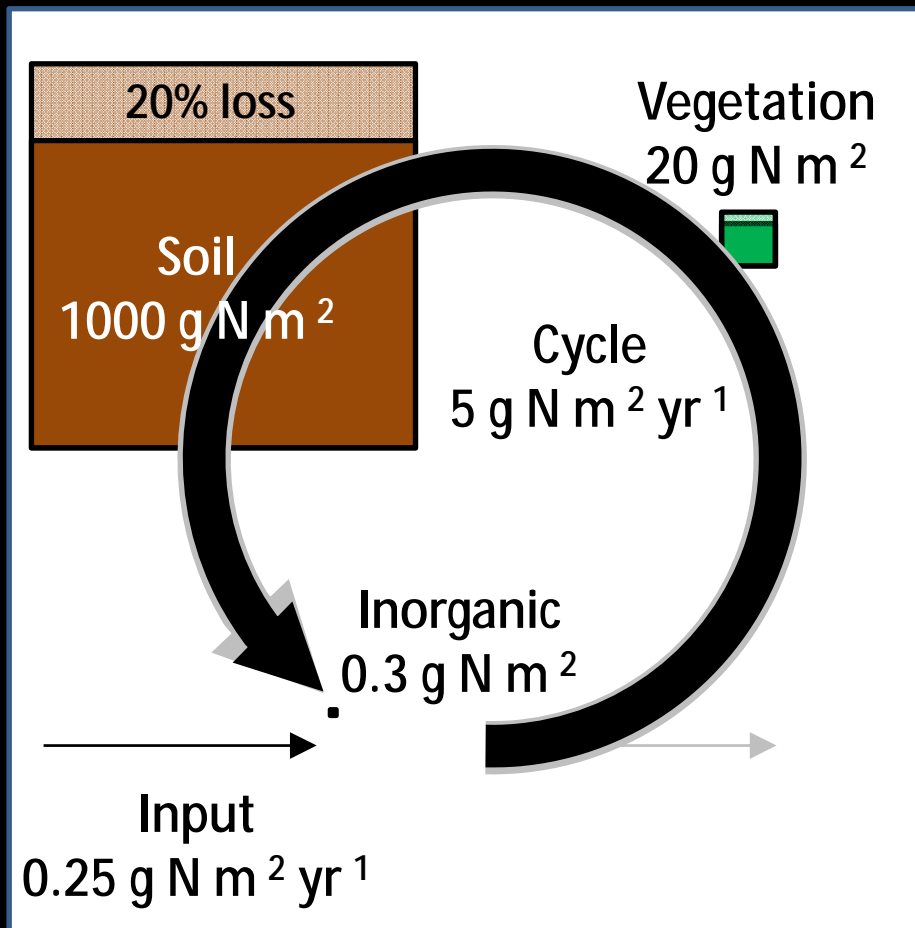
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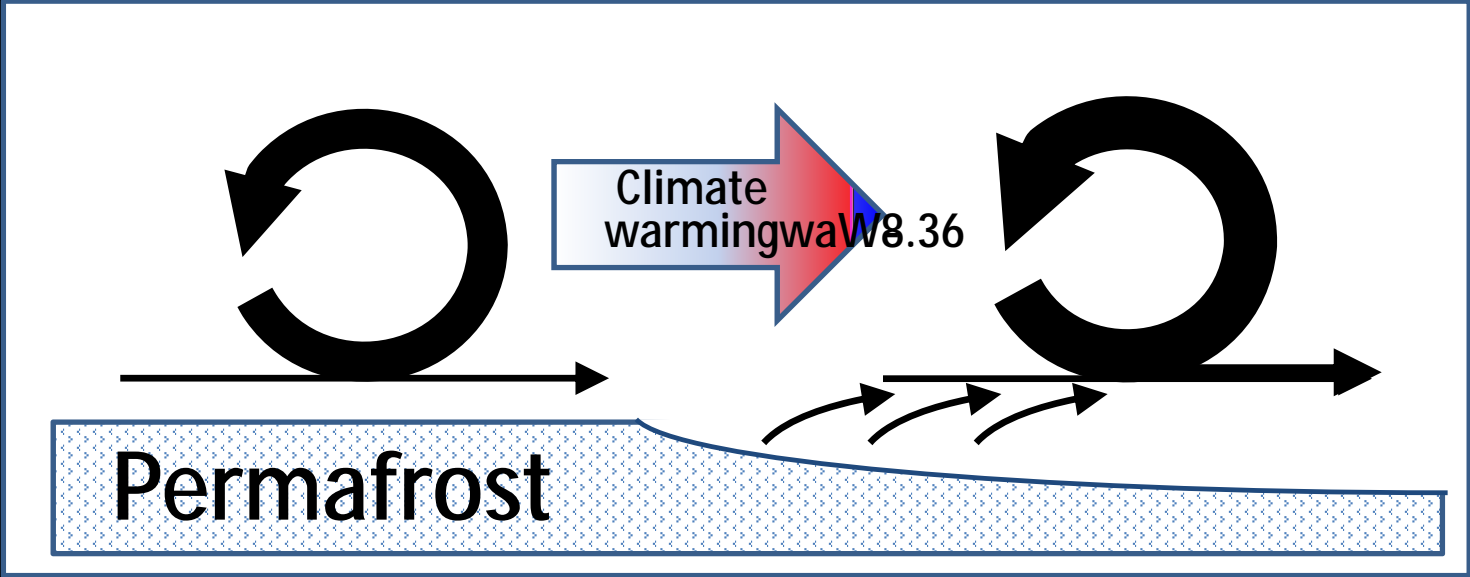
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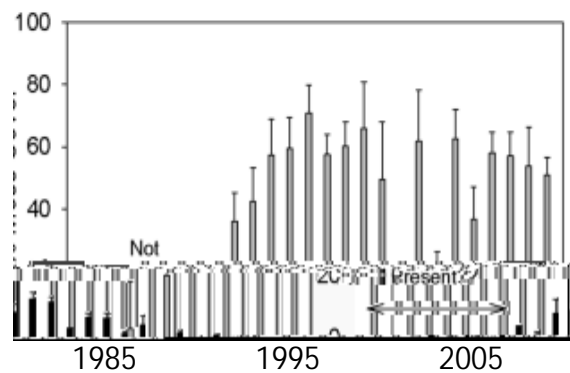
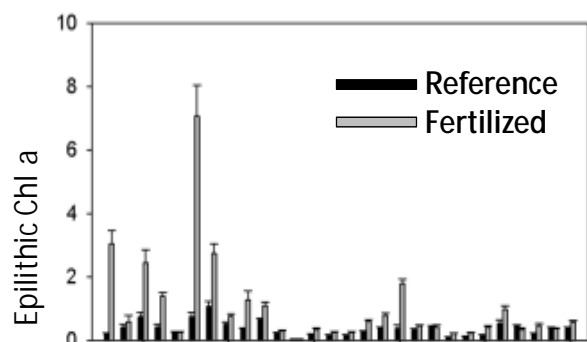




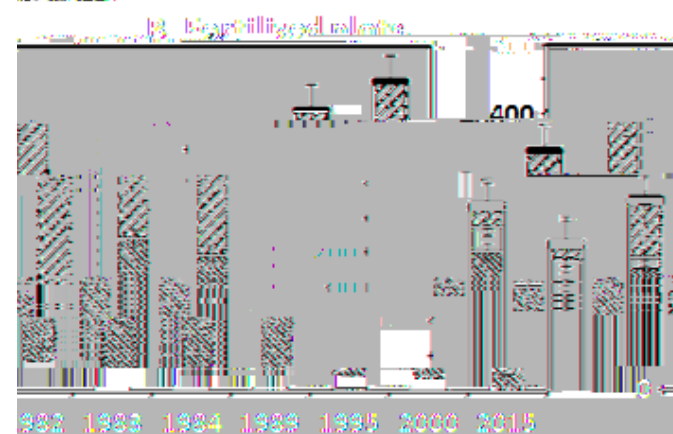








### A. Control plots

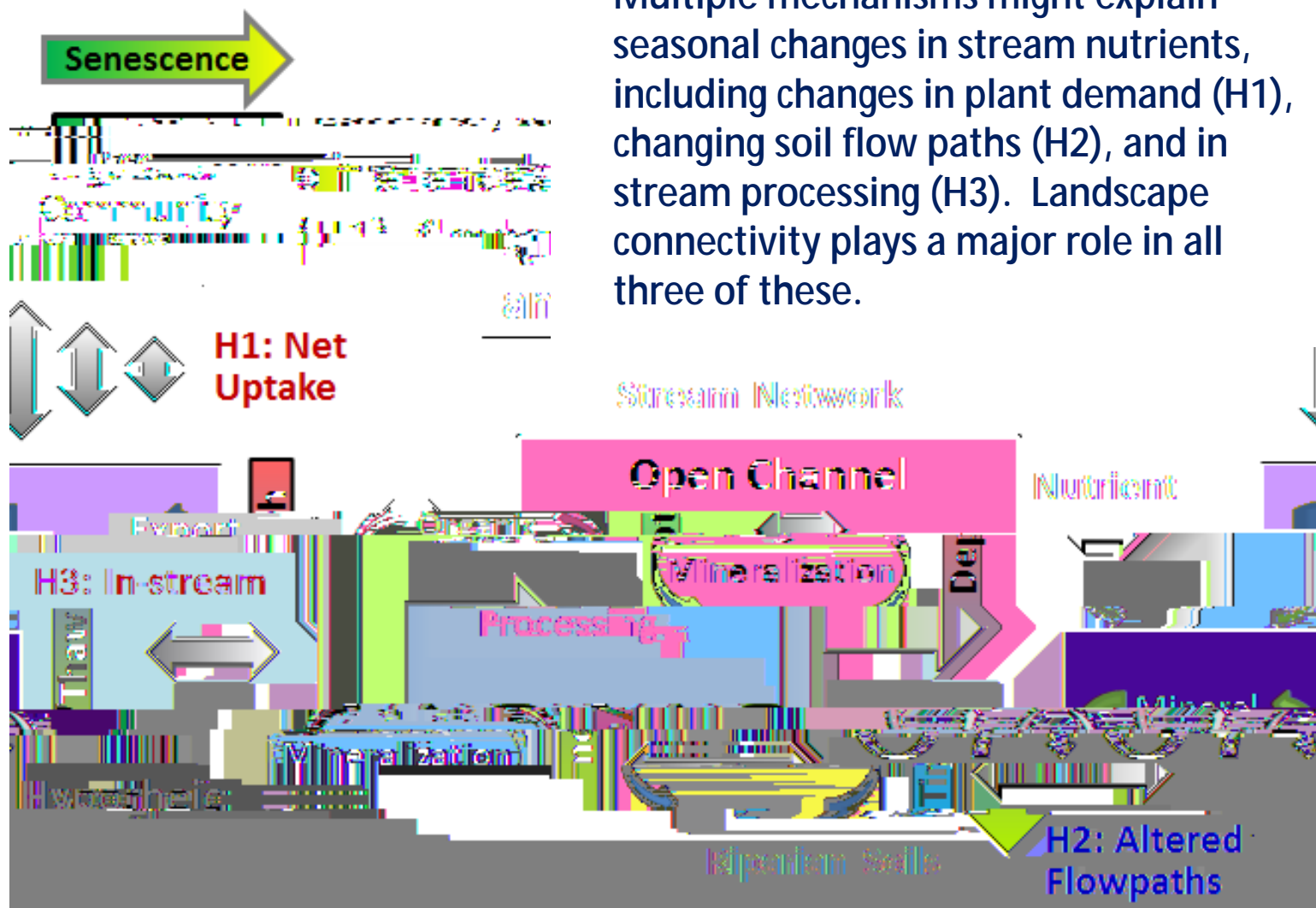






The nearly closed ecosystems on hill slopes are poorly connected and therefore delay and attenuate signals moving down slope (e.g., nutrient)





Multiple mechanisms might explain seasonal changes in stream nutrients, including changes in plant demand (H1), changing soil flow paths (H2), and in stream processing (H3). Landscape connectivity plays a major role in all three of these.



