

Climate-Based Seed Transfer

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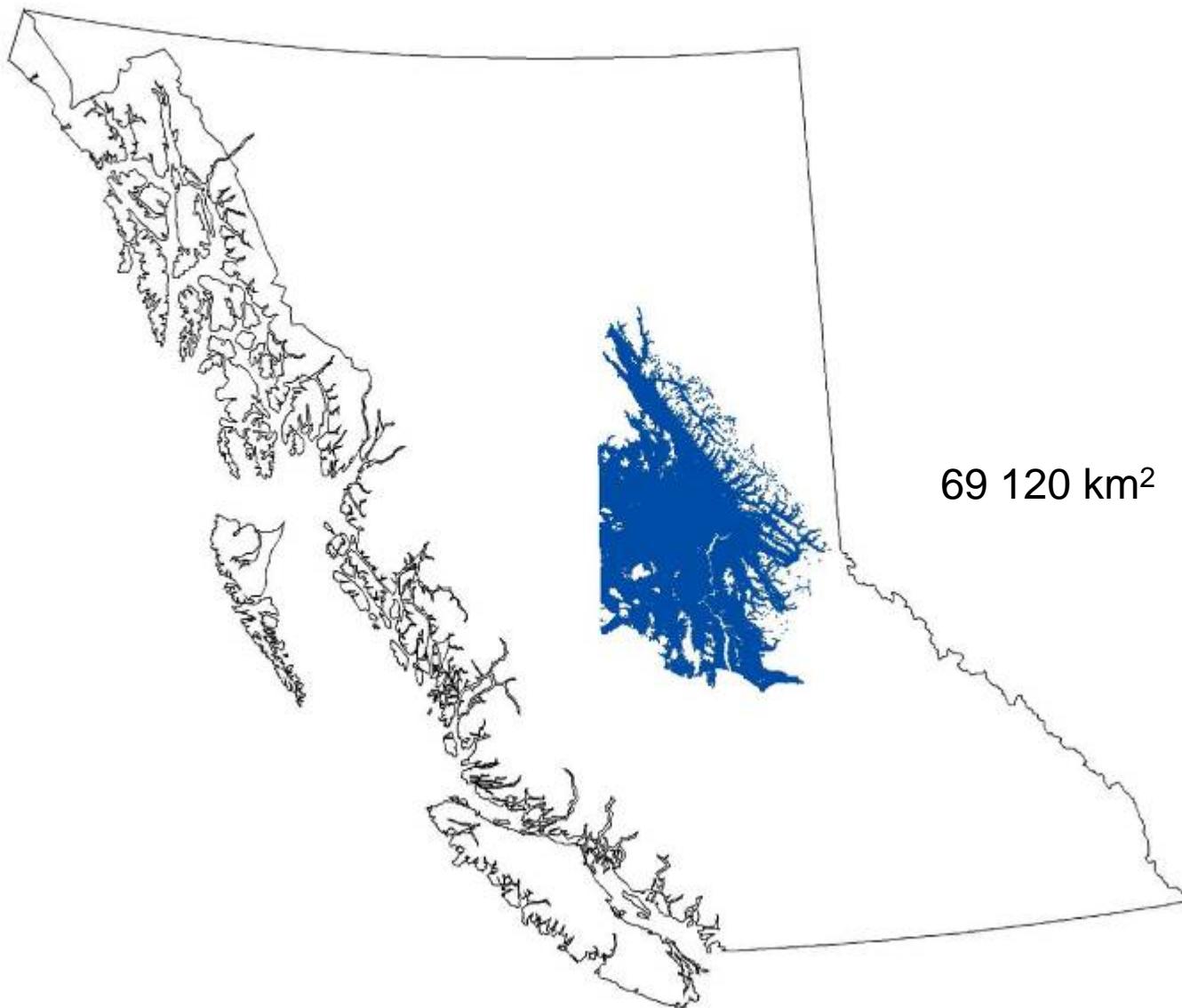
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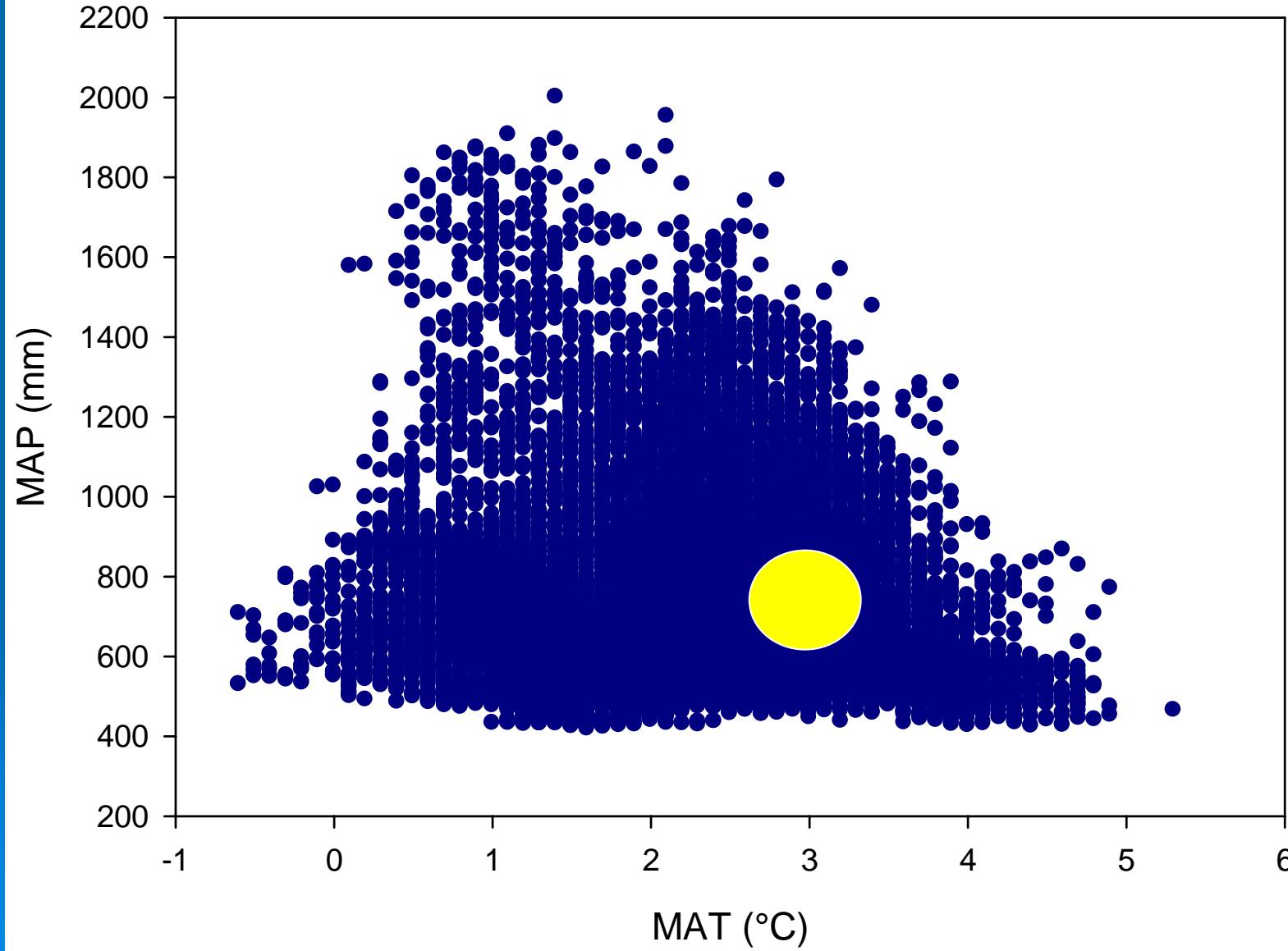
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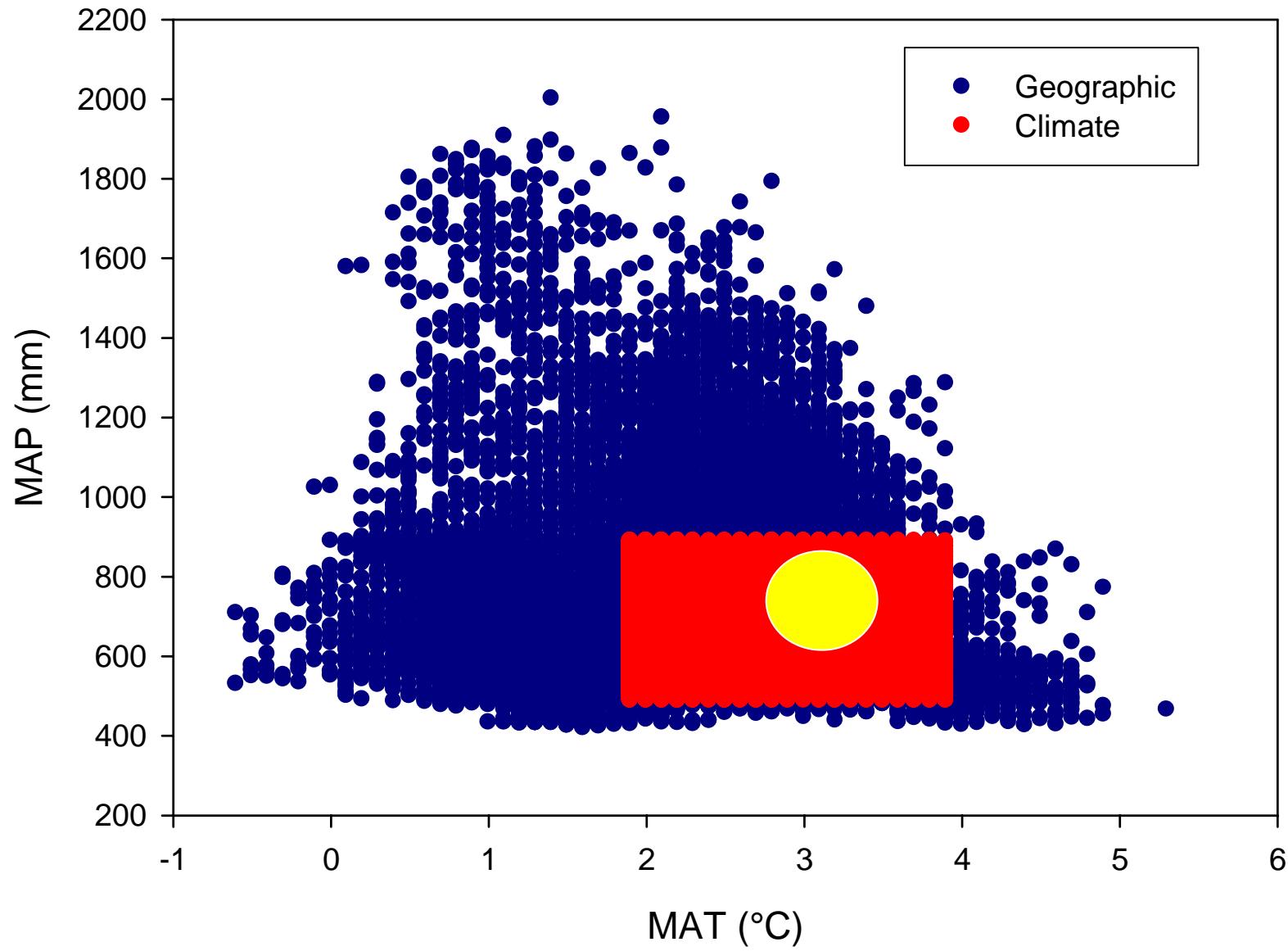
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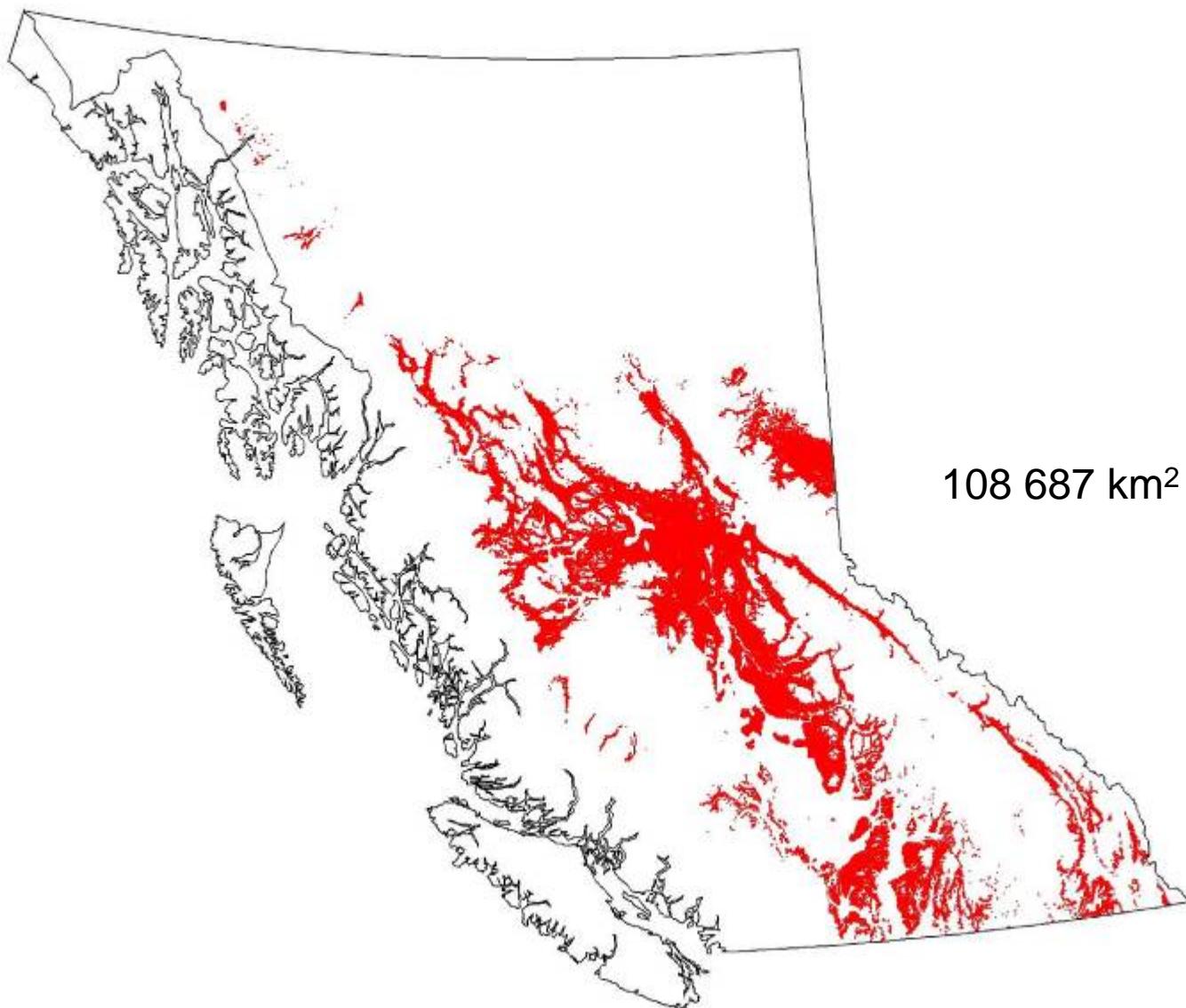
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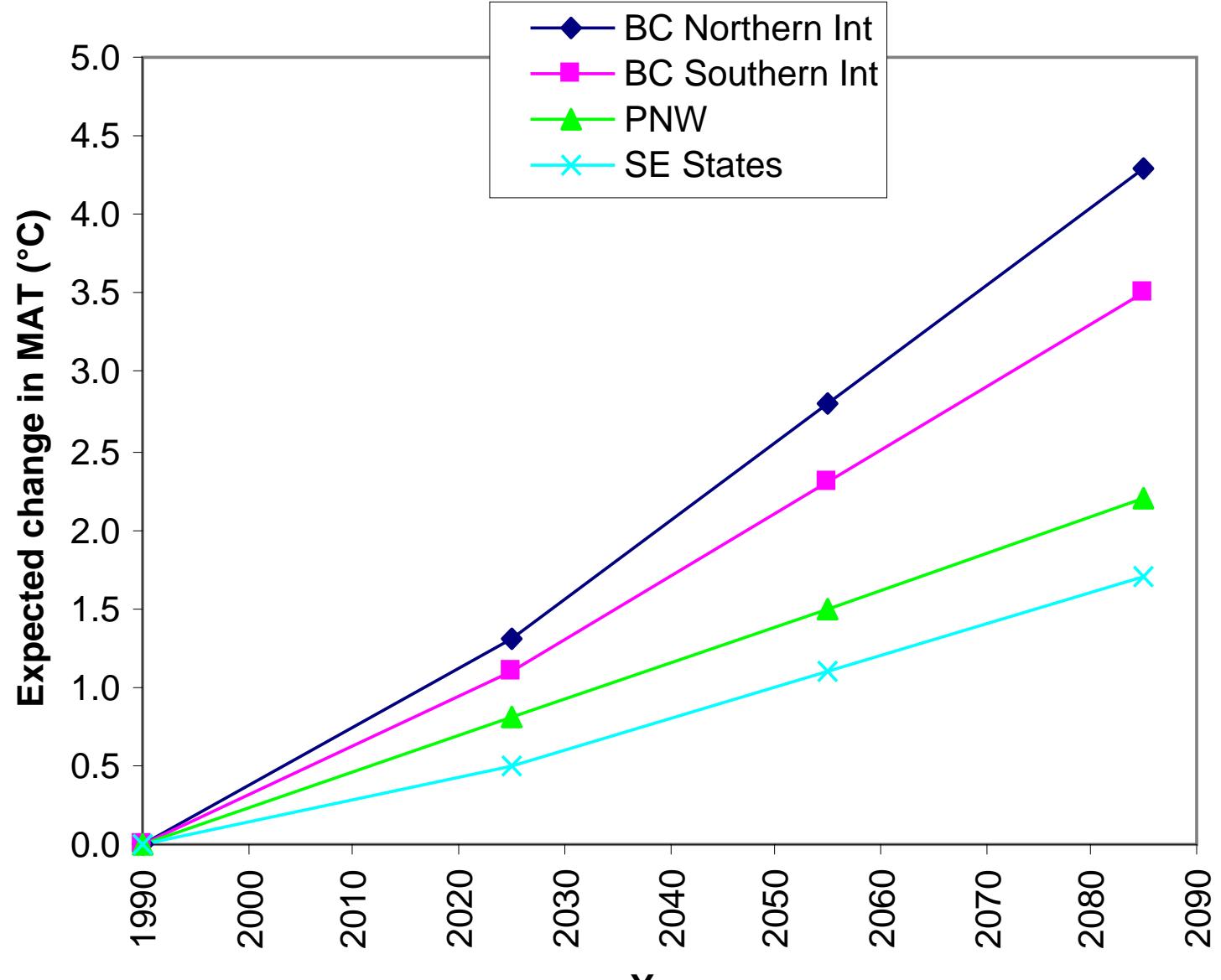


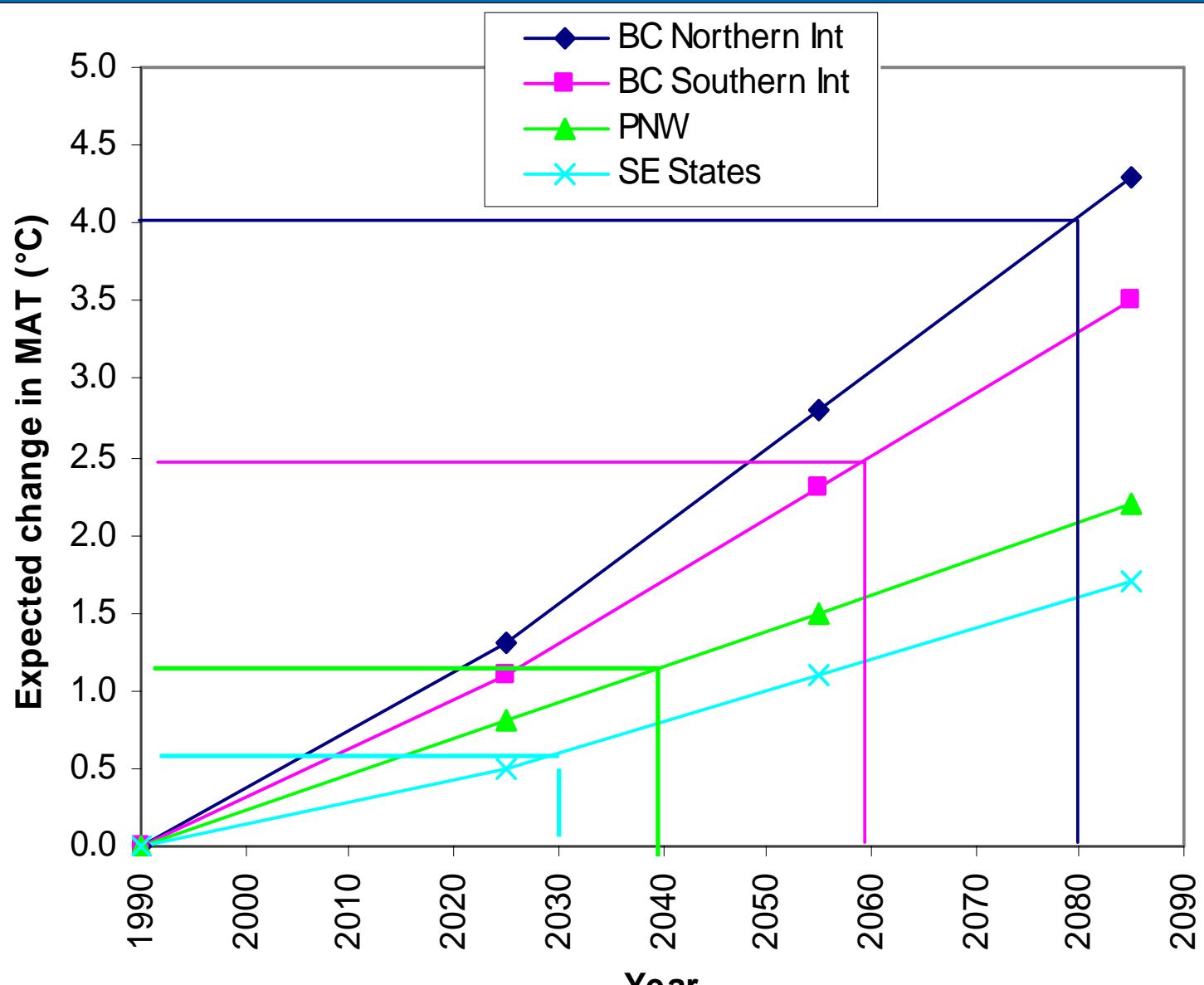
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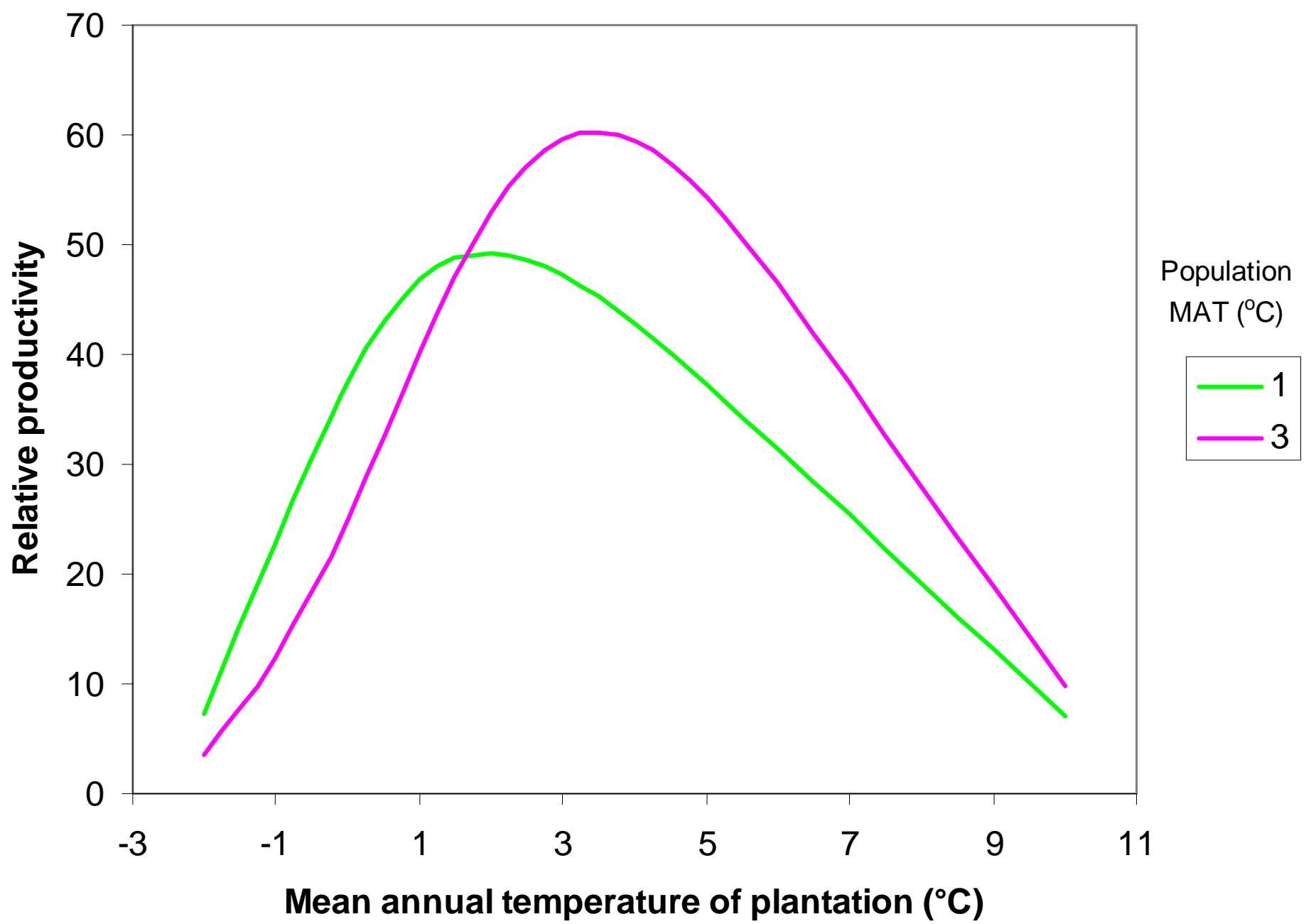


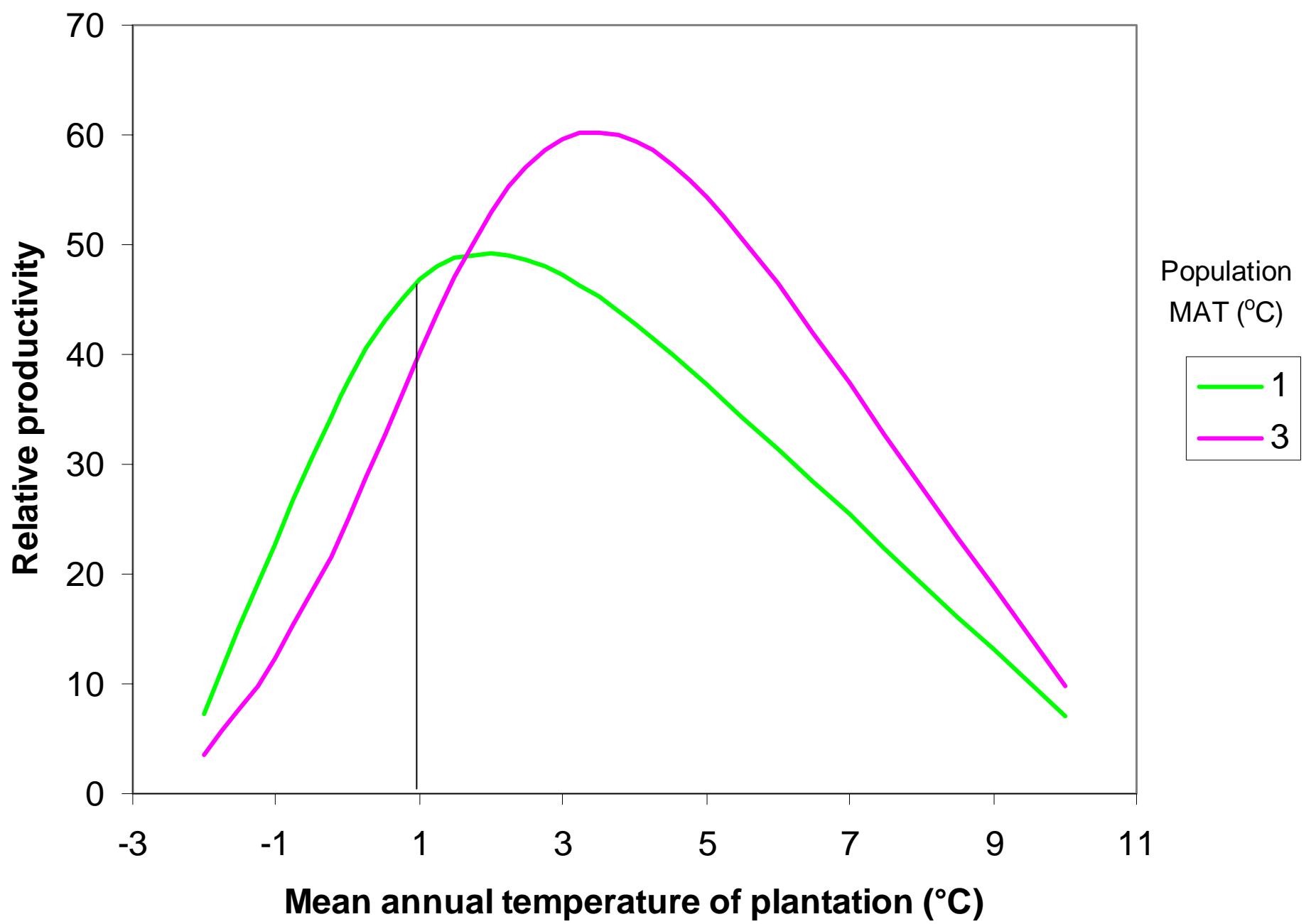
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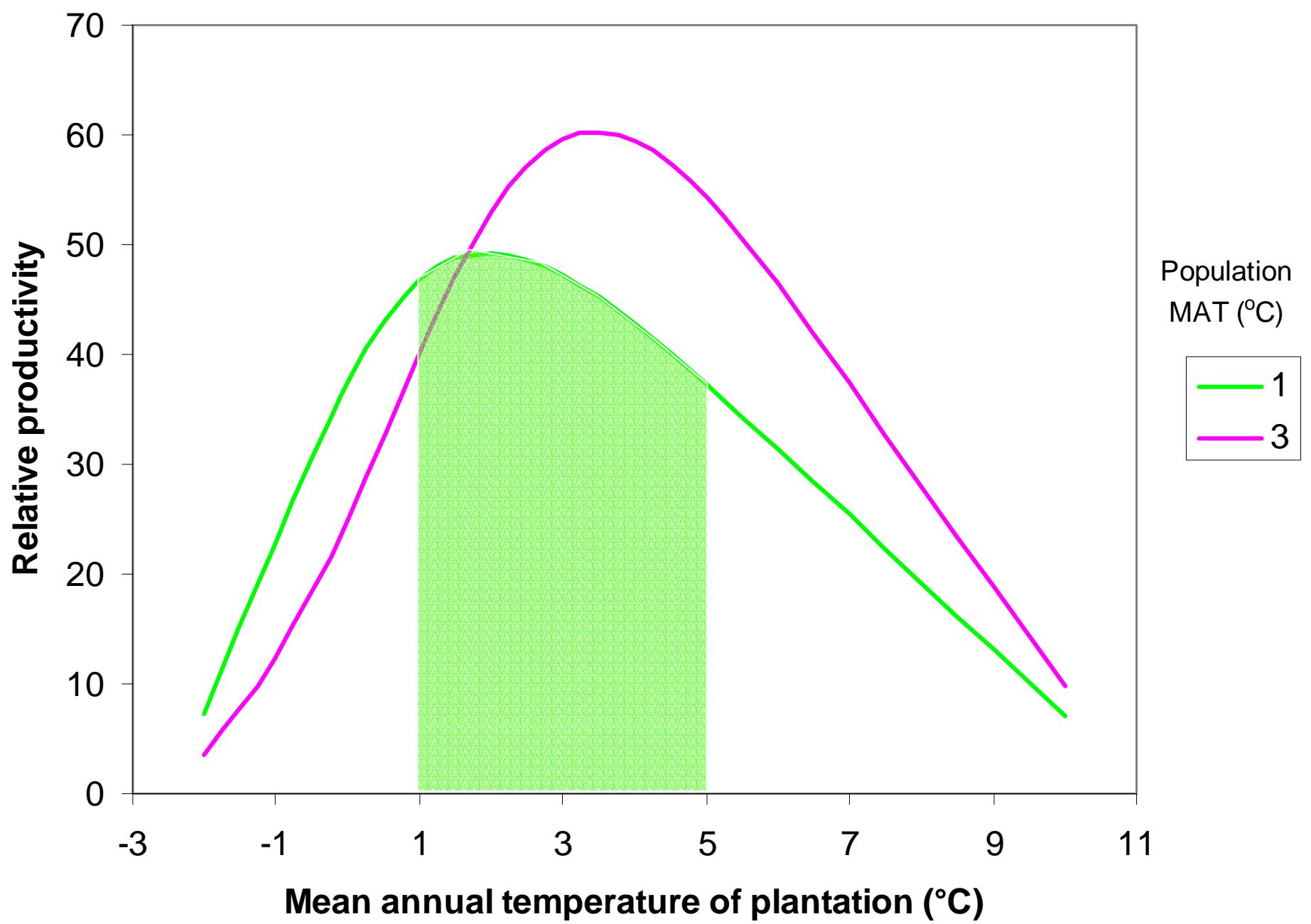
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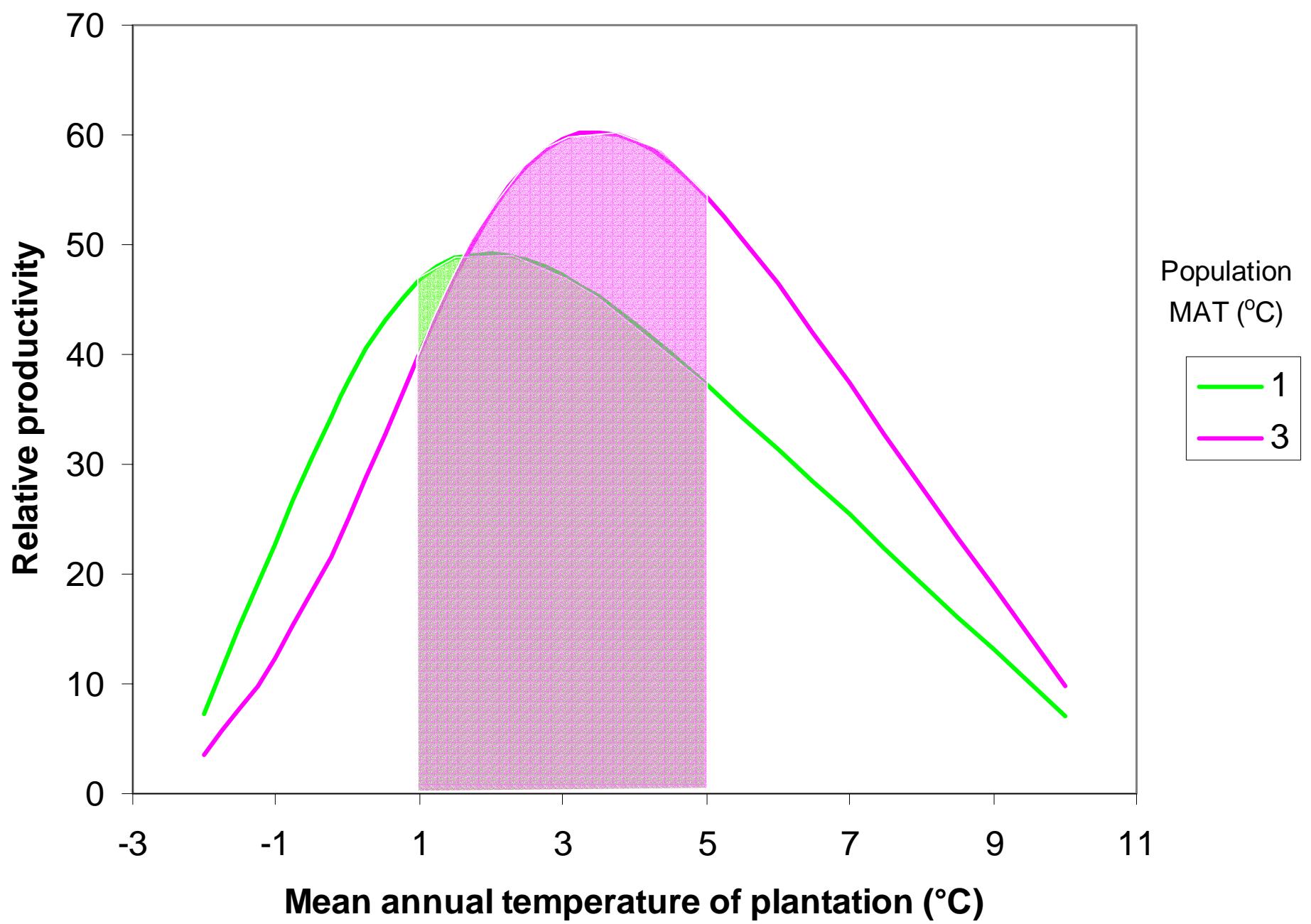






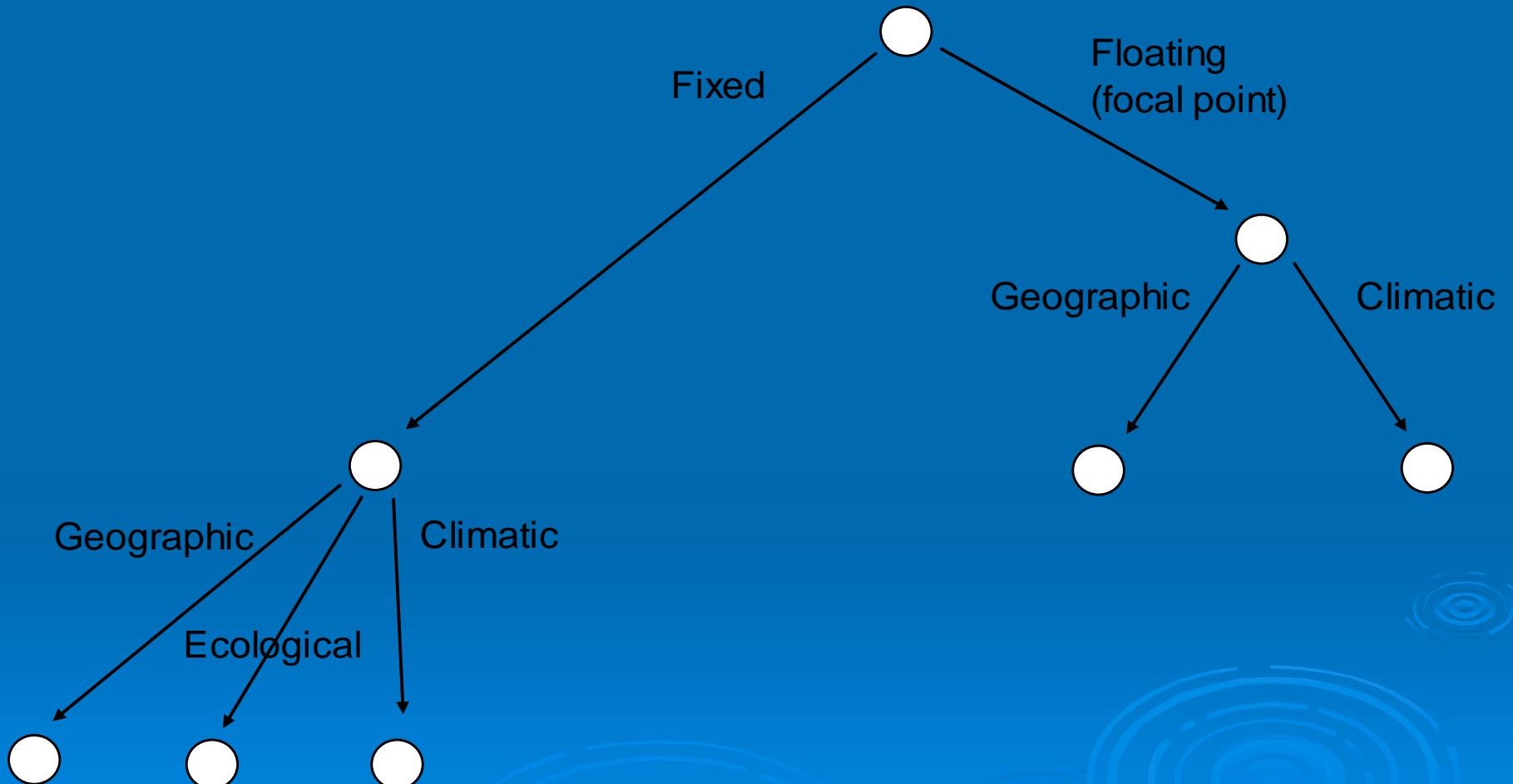


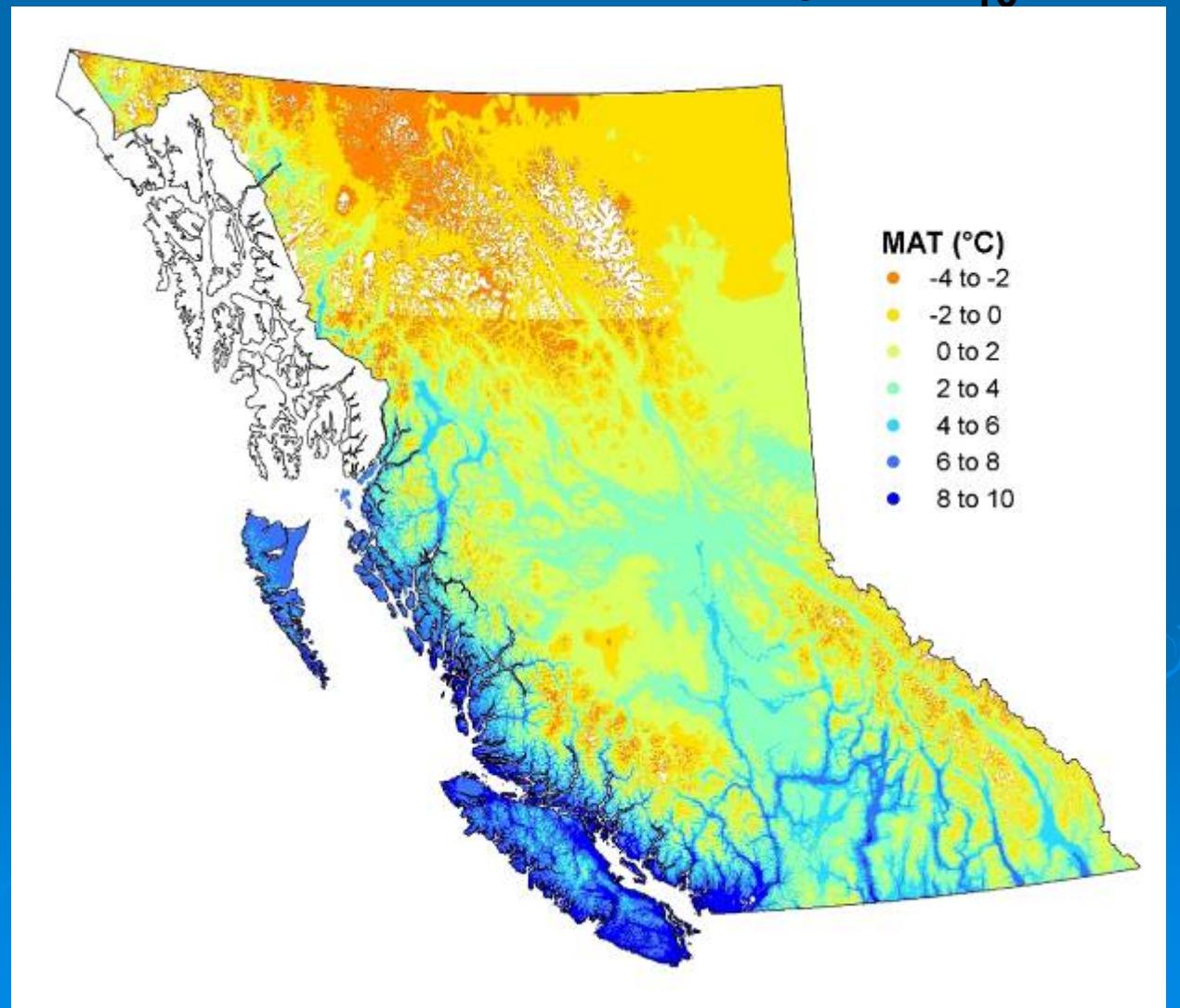
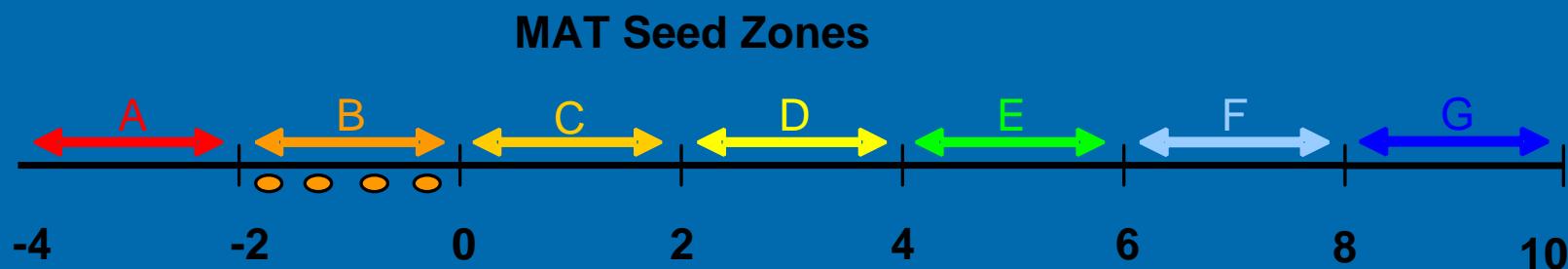


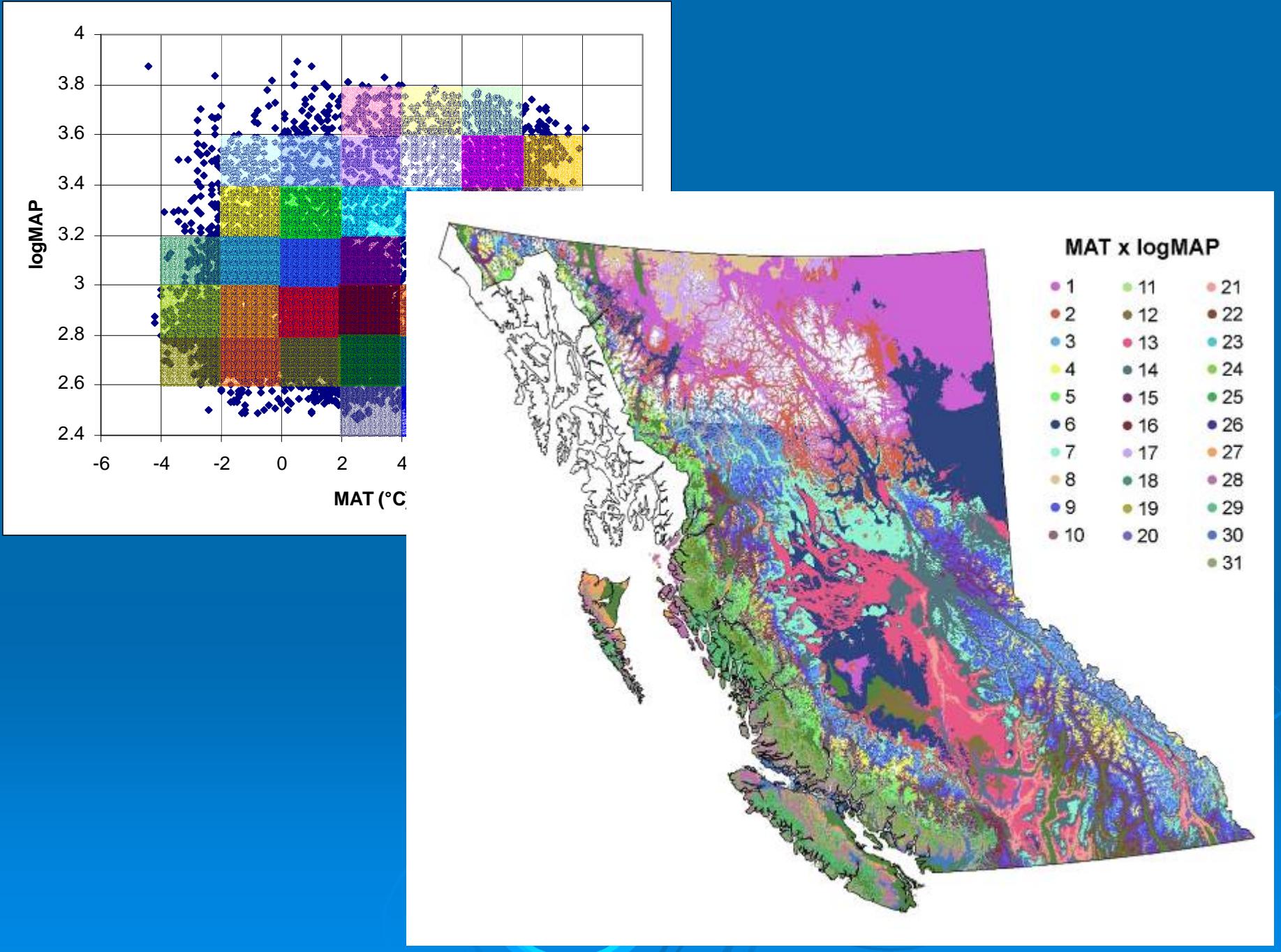


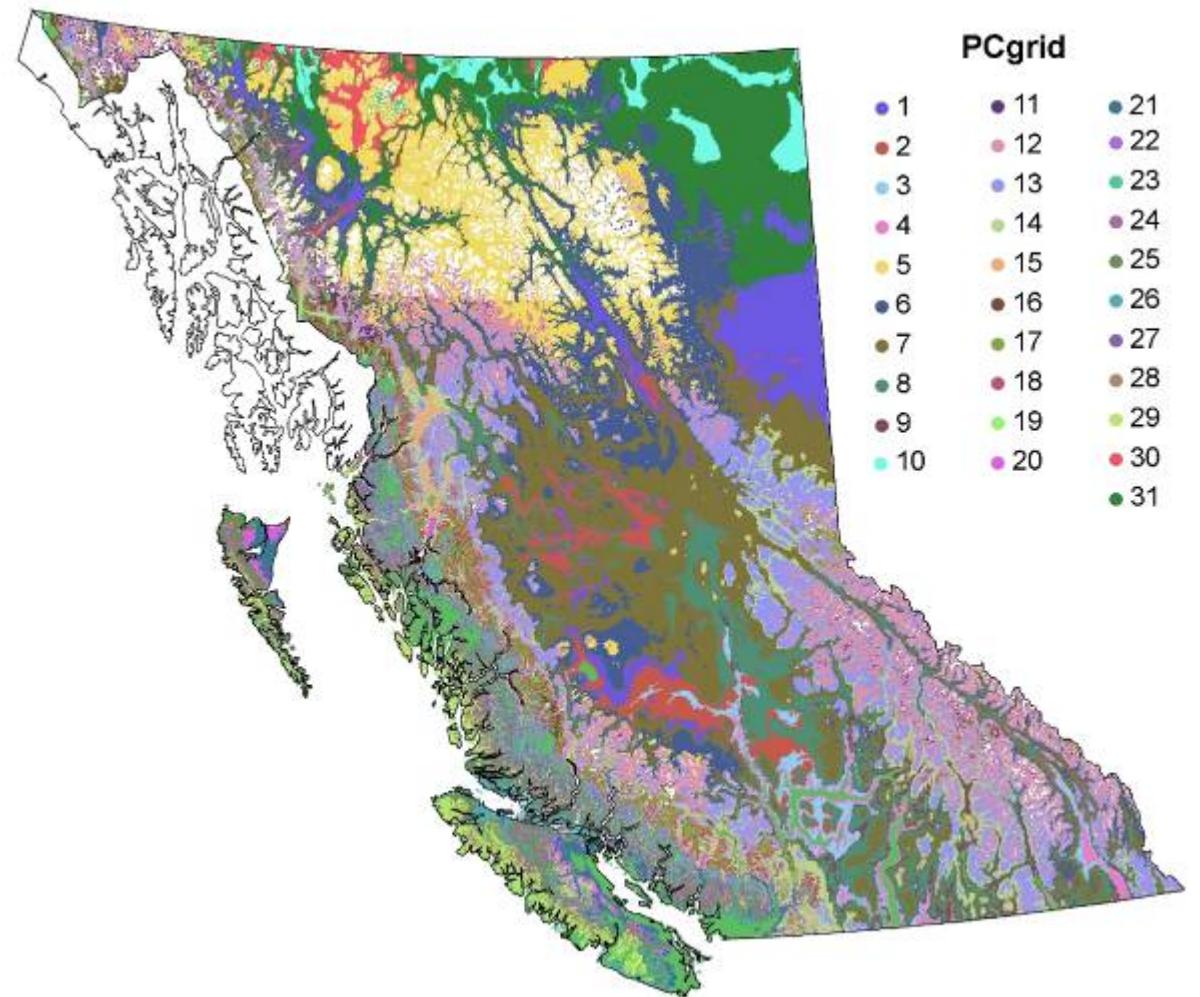
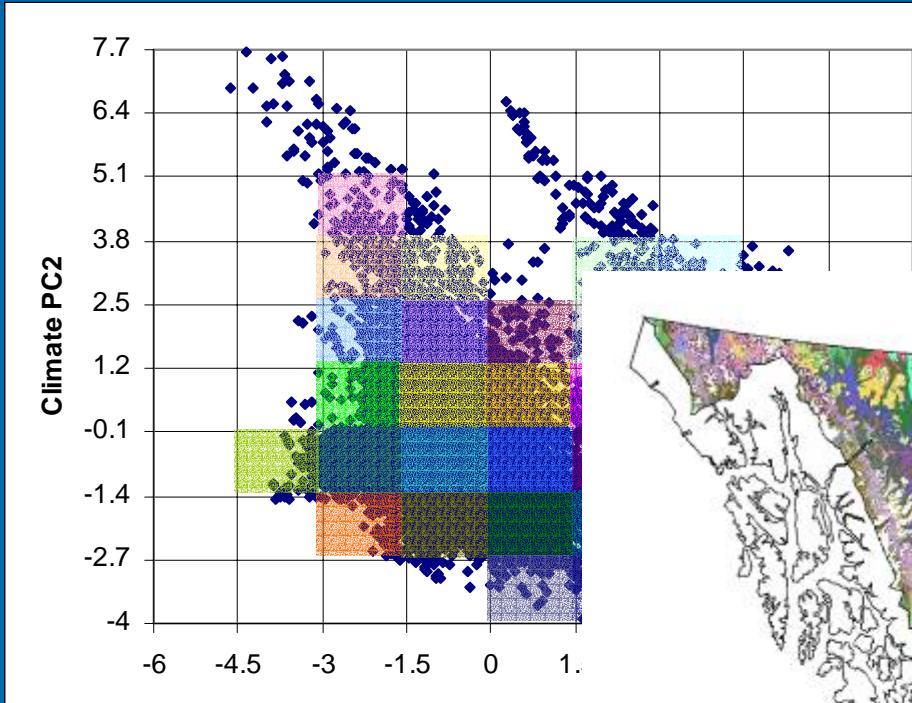


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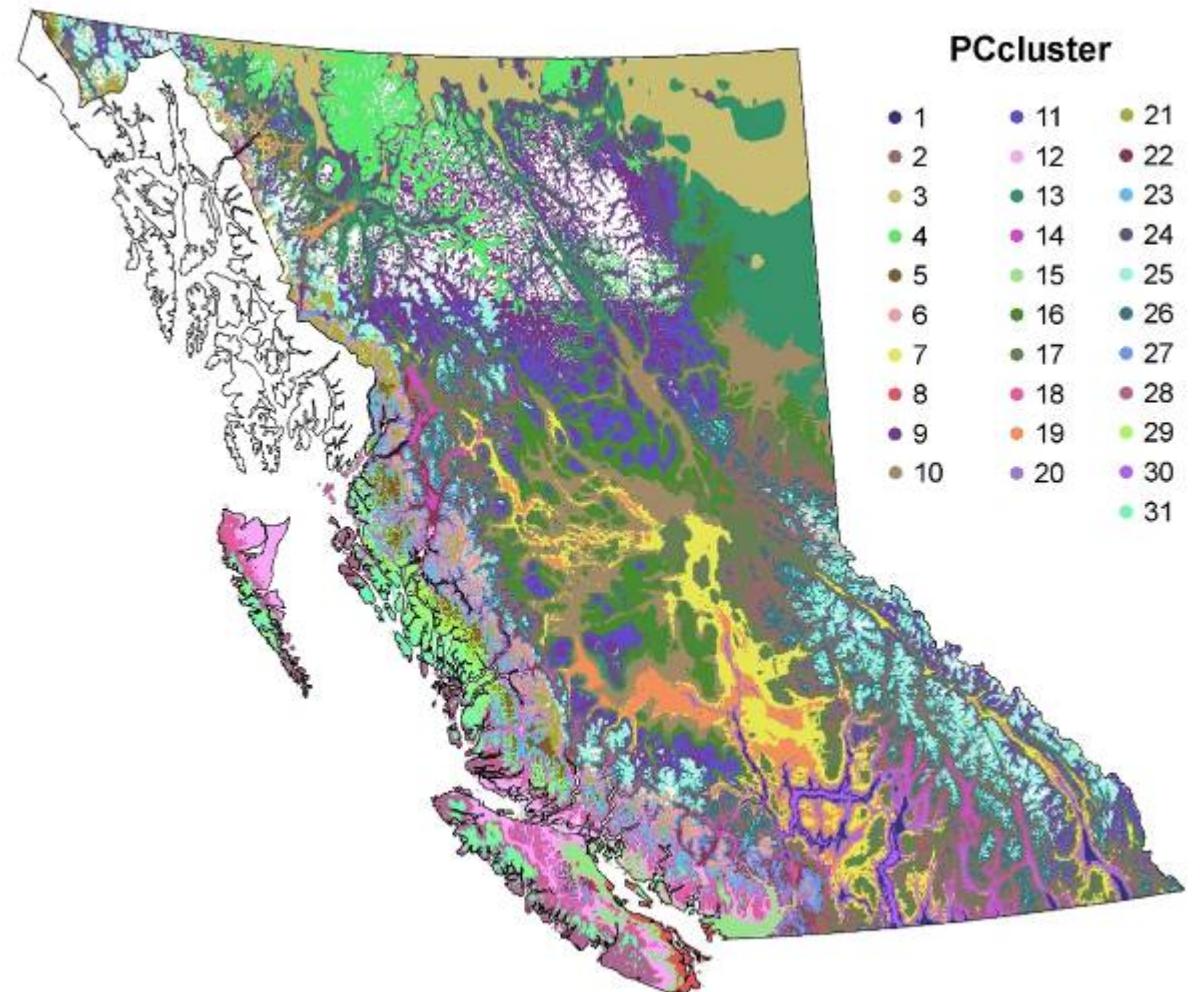
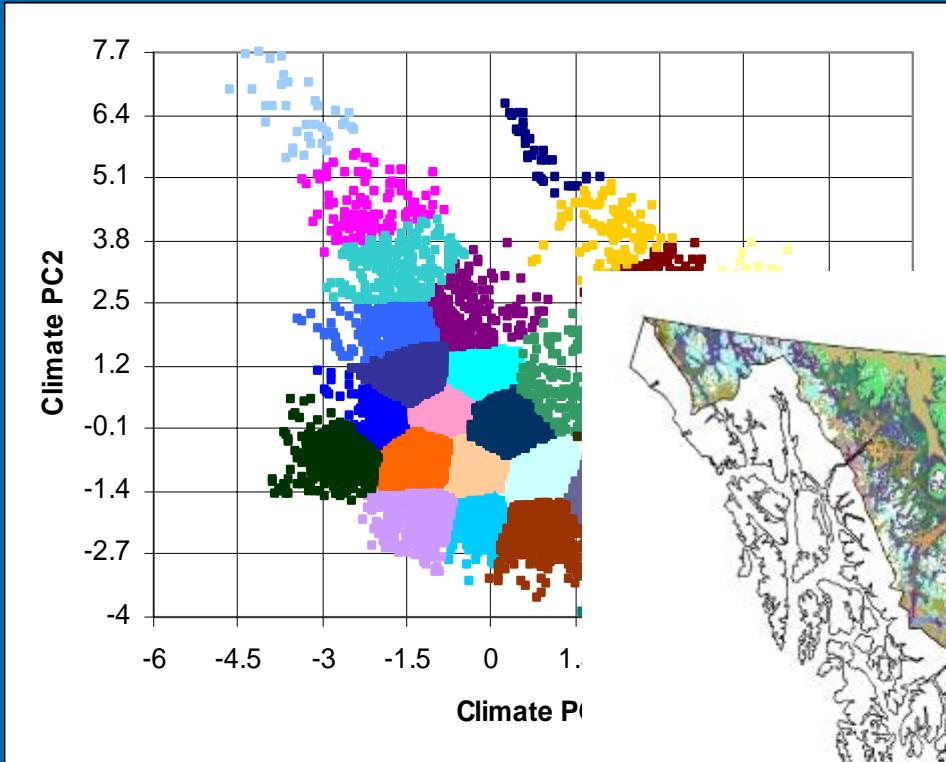


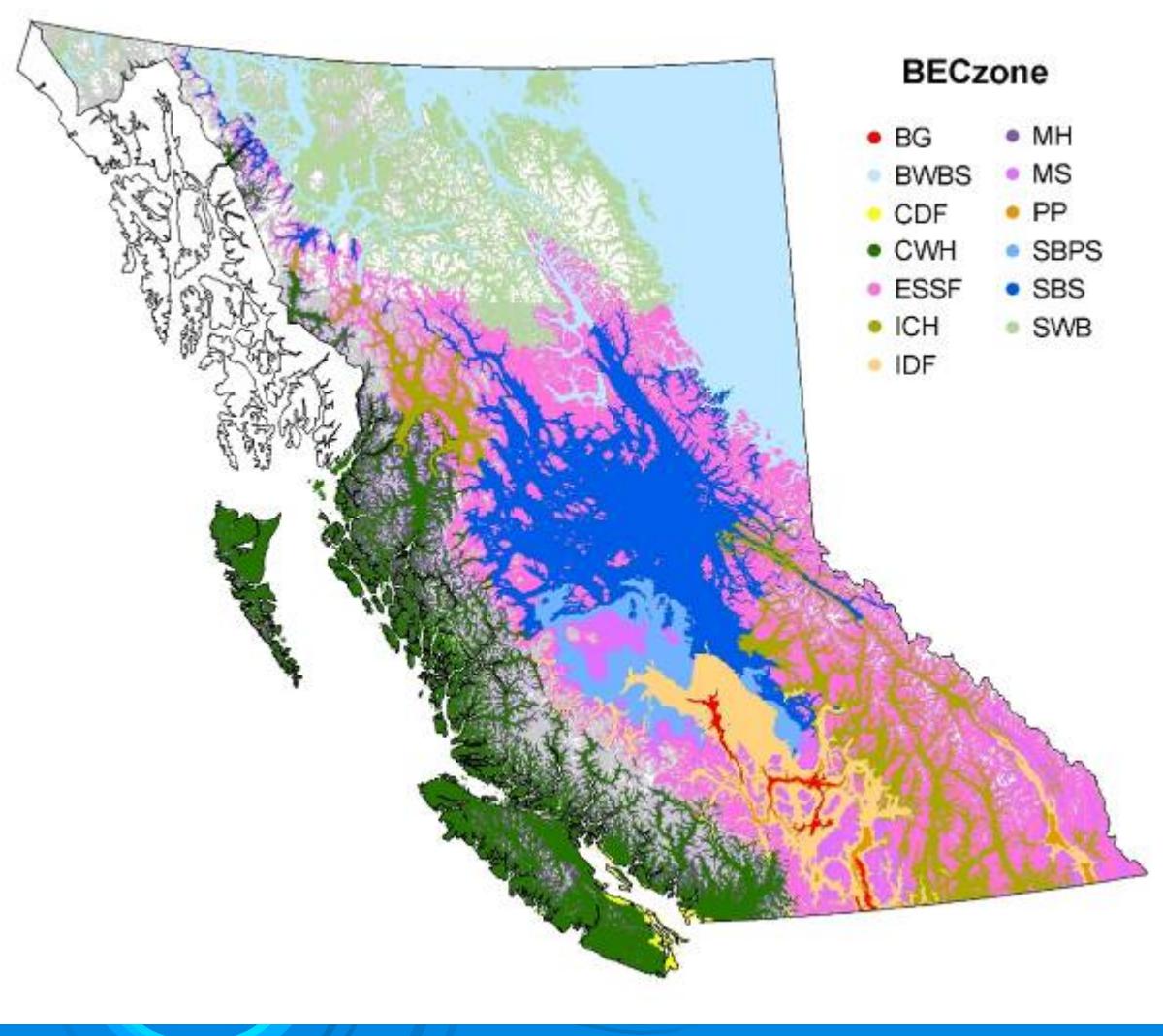
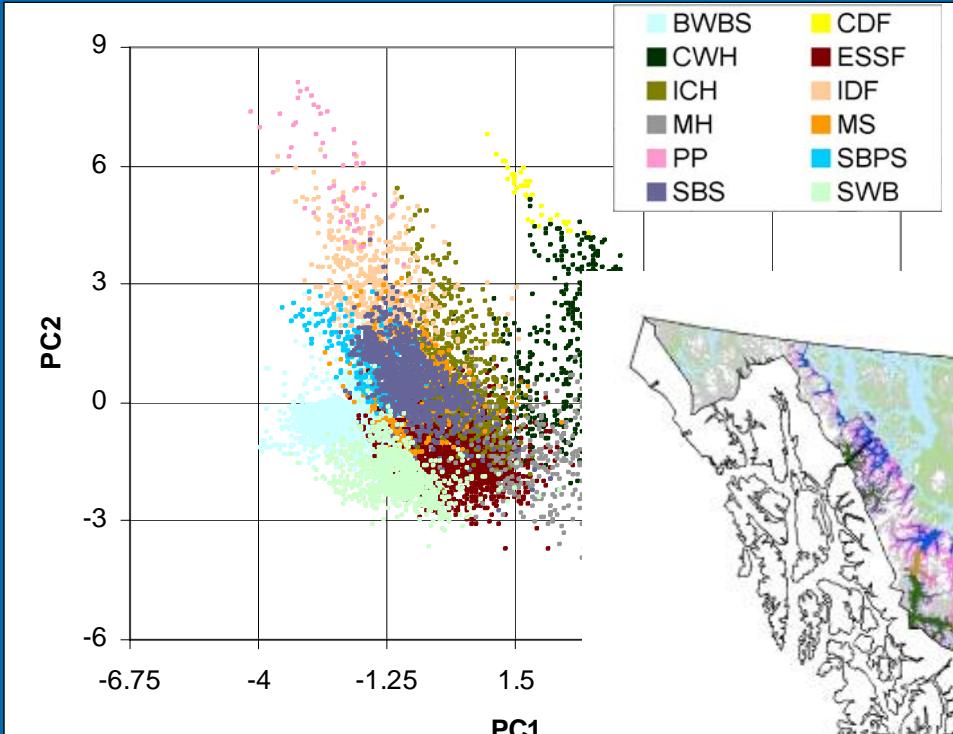


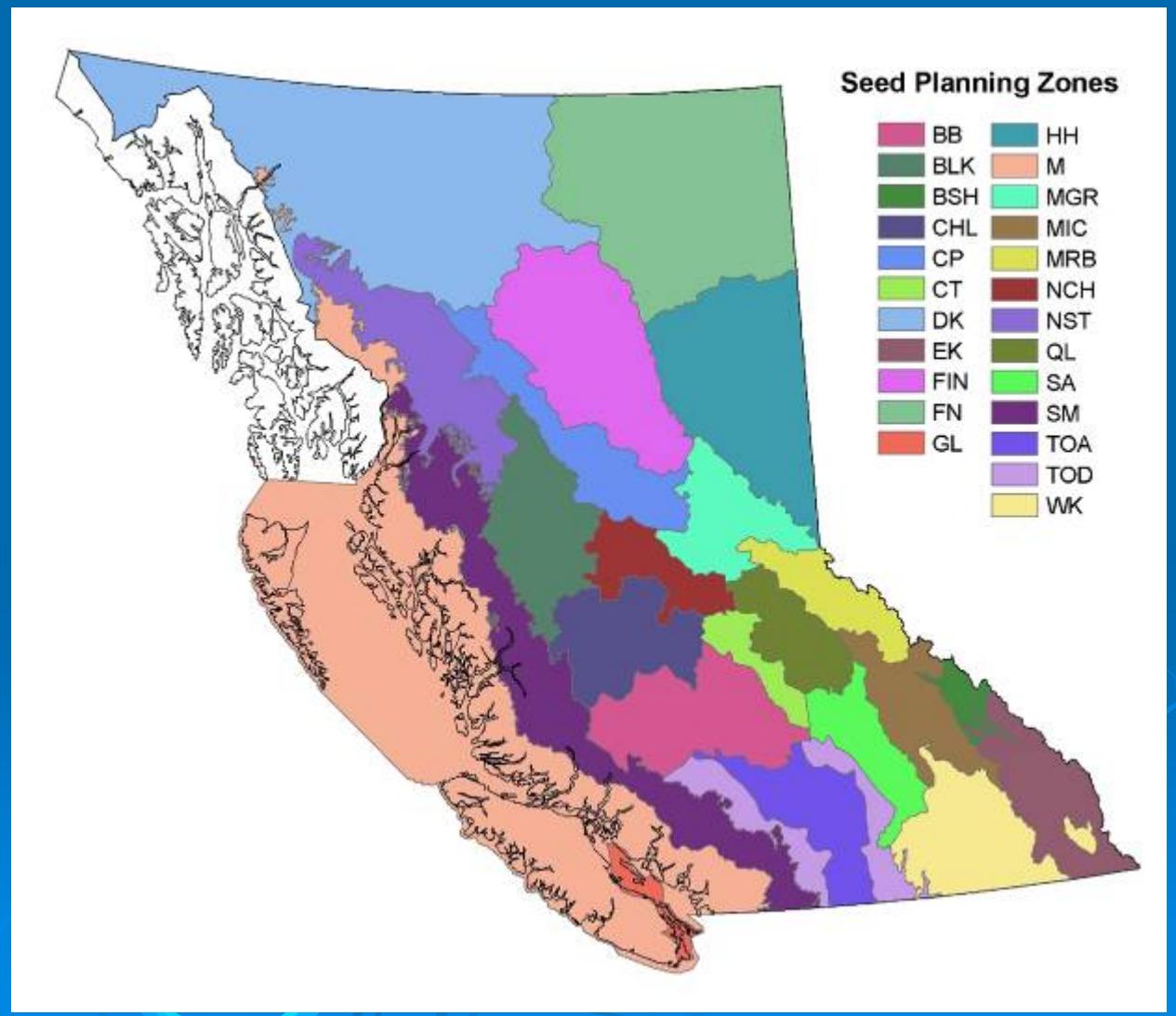


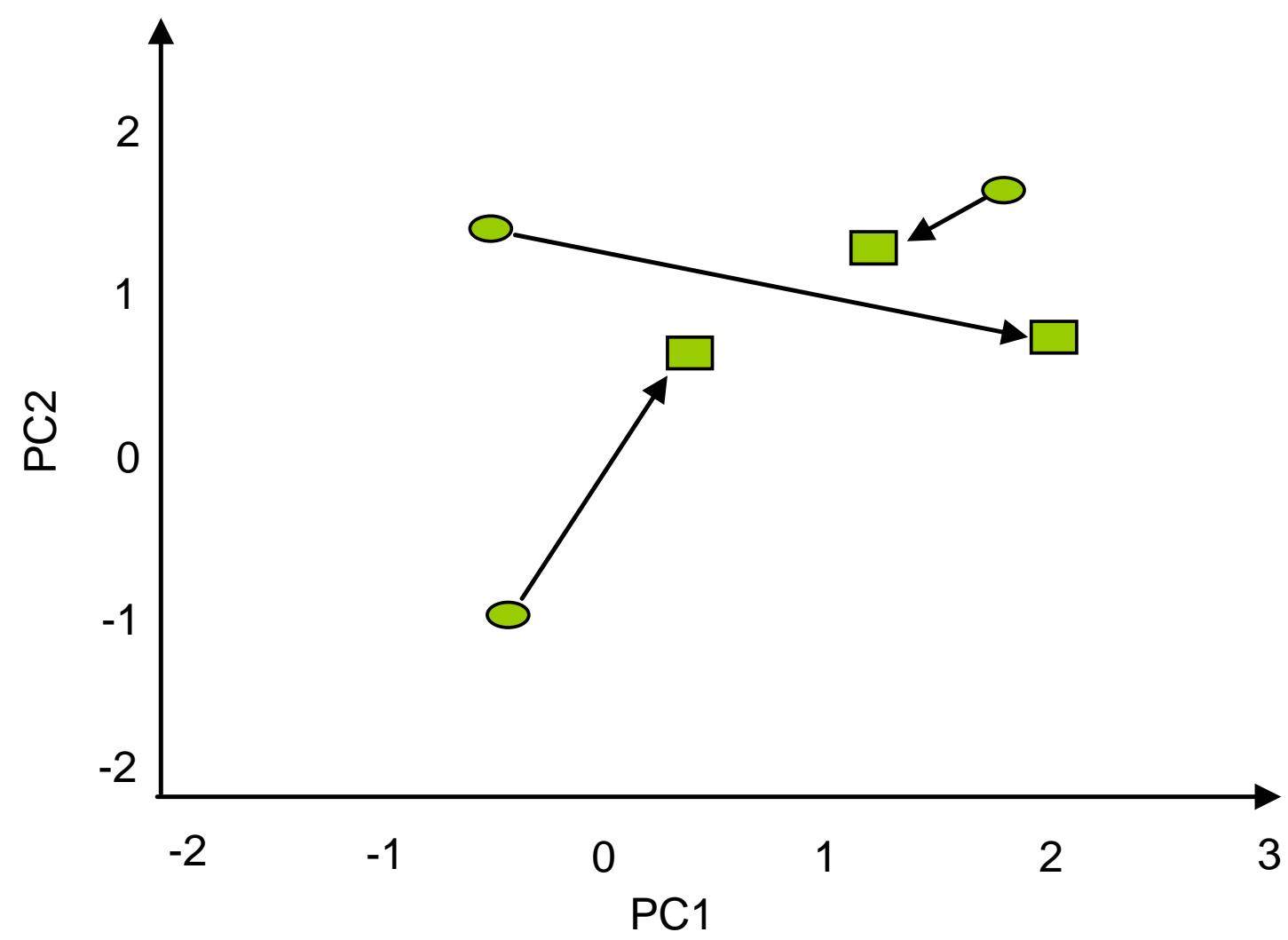


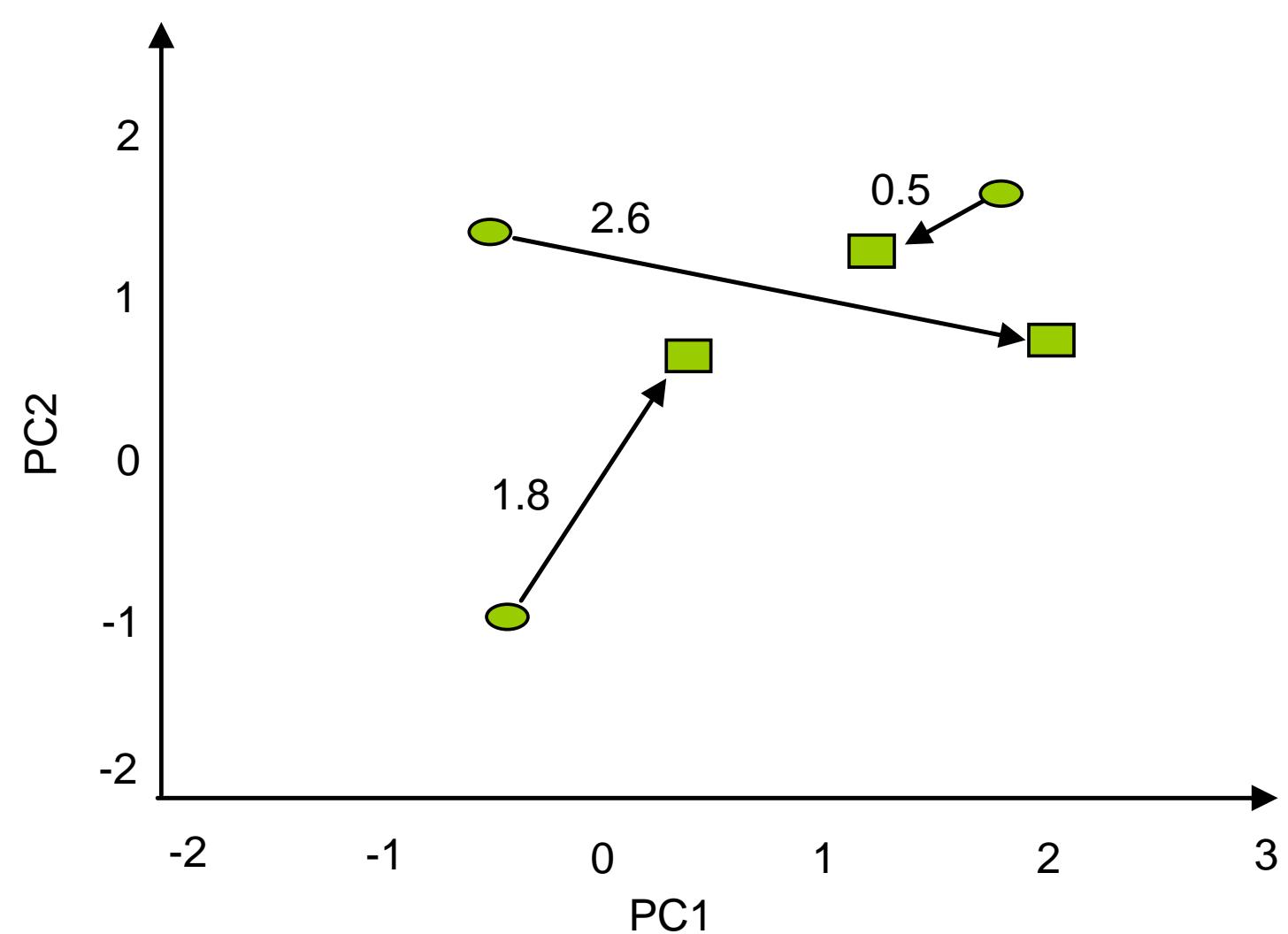
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- Degree Days > 5 °C
- Mean Cold Month Temp
- Continentiality
- Mean Annual Precip
- Mean Summer Precip
- Annual Drought Index
- Summer Drought Index

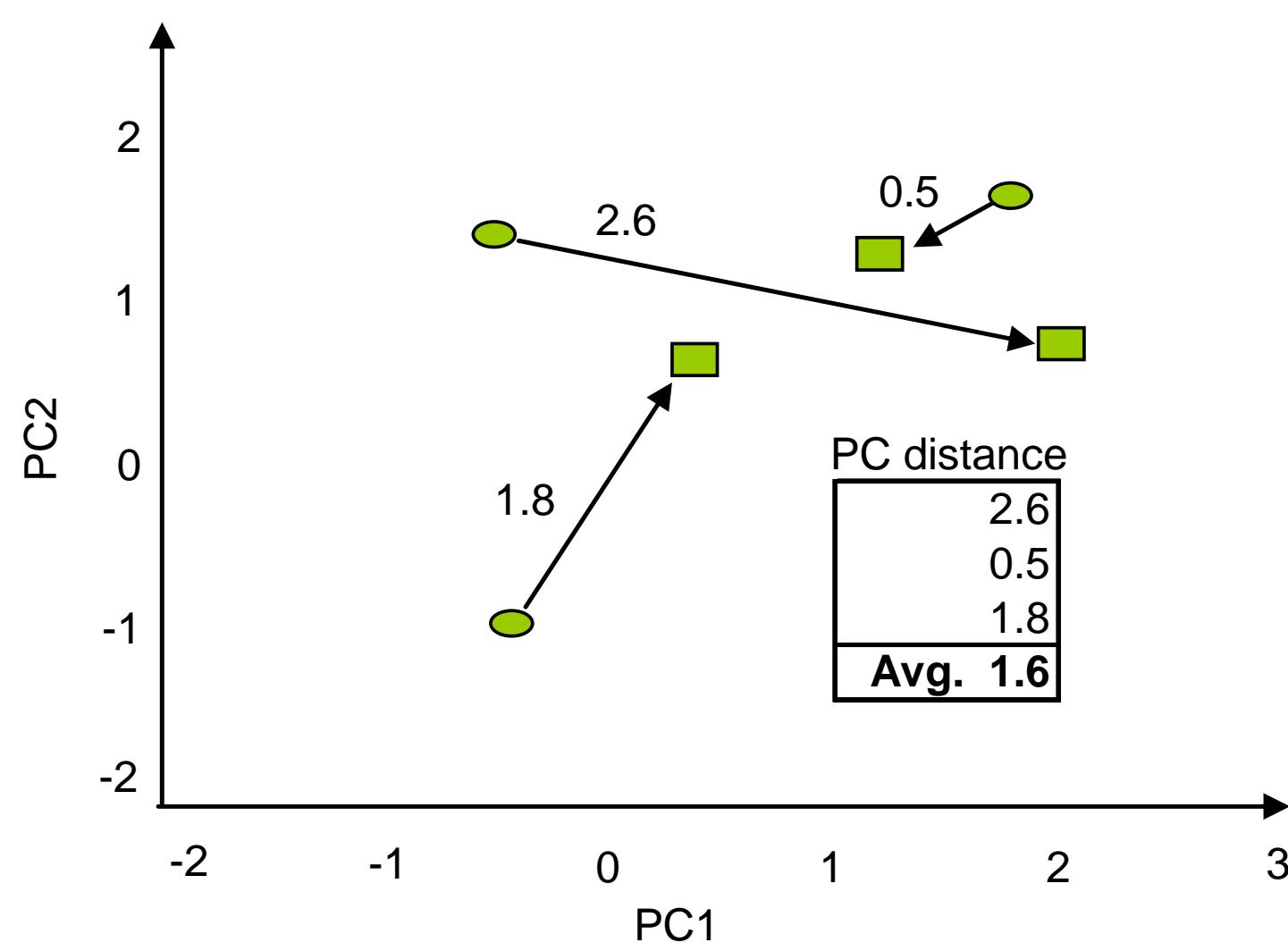






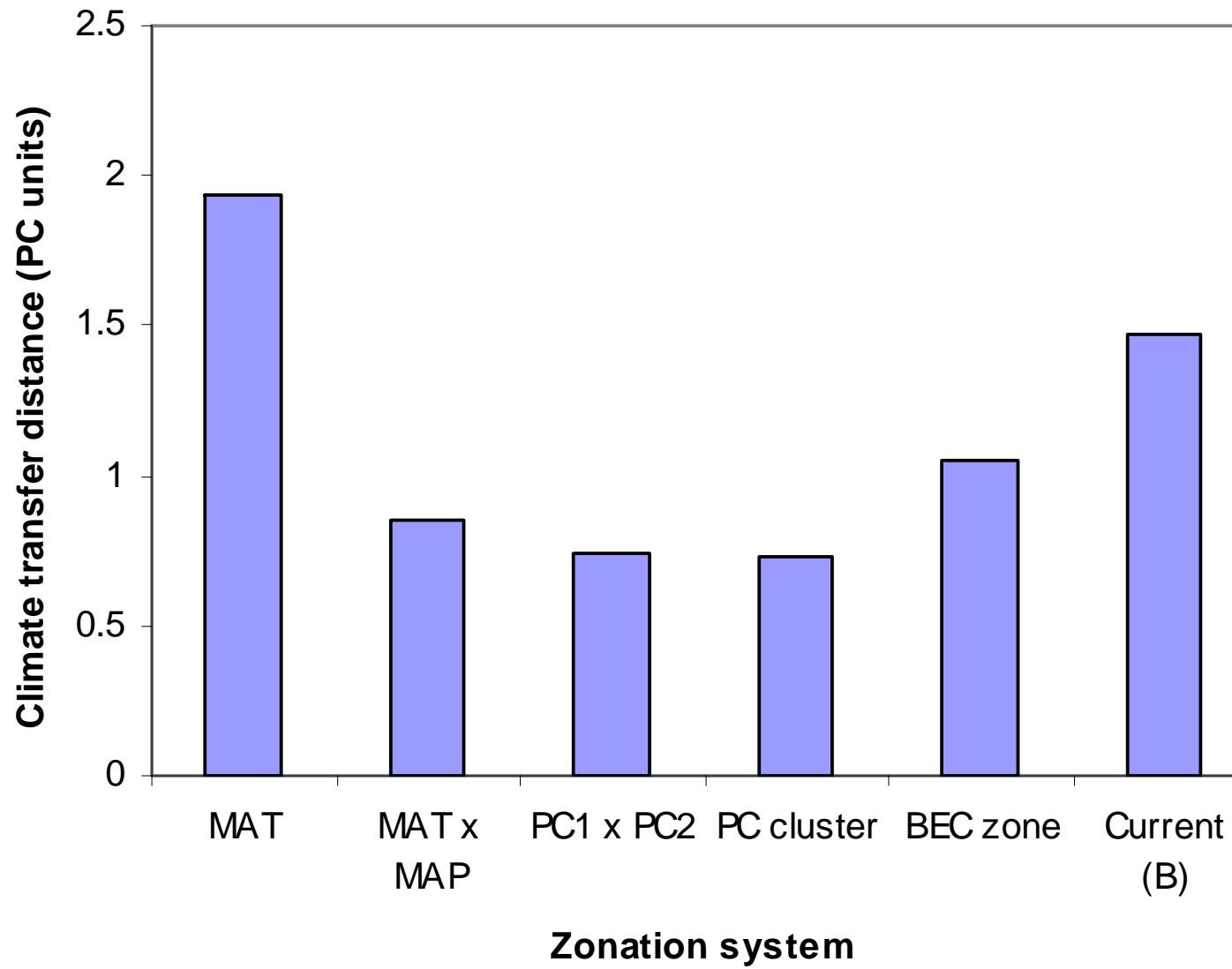






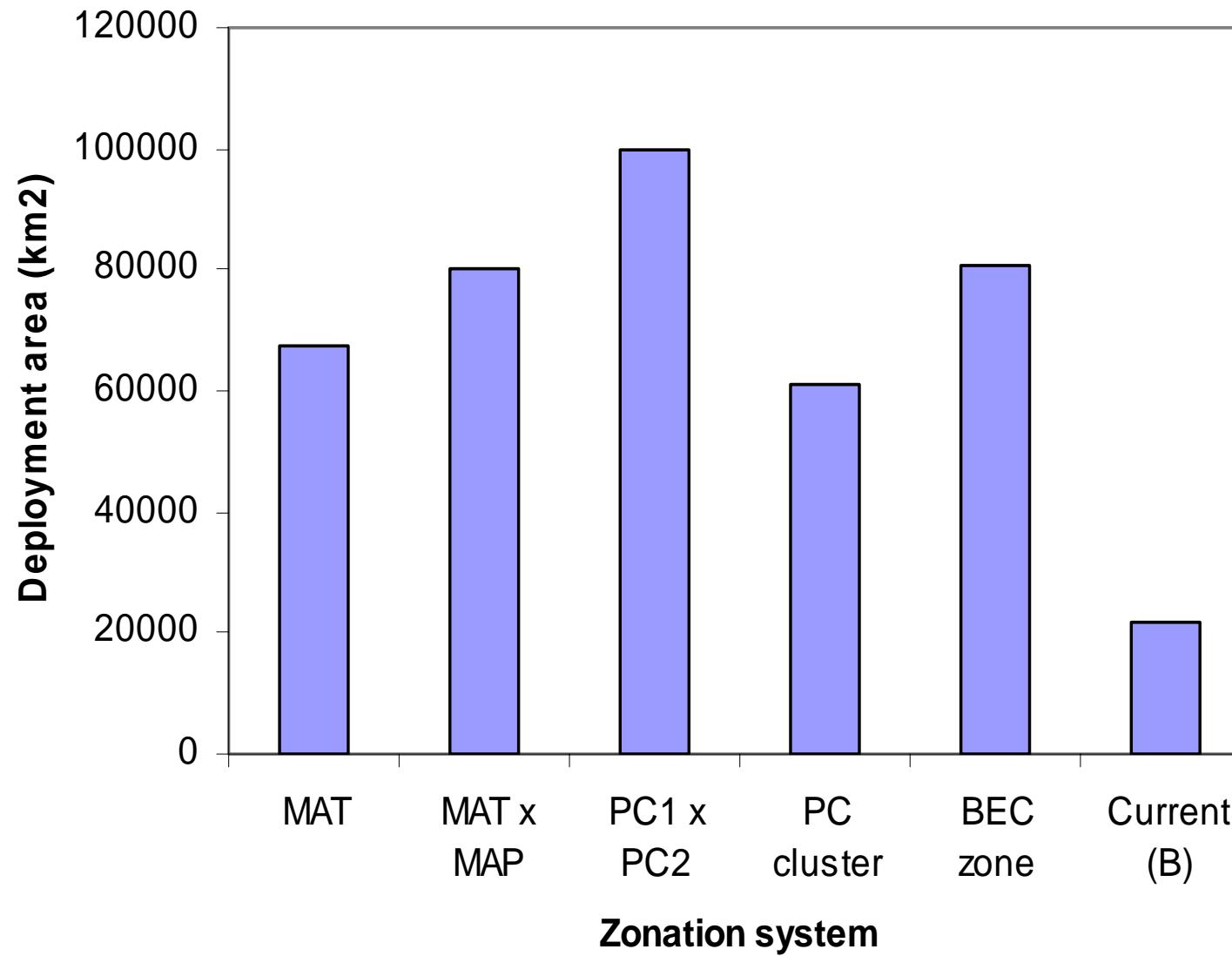
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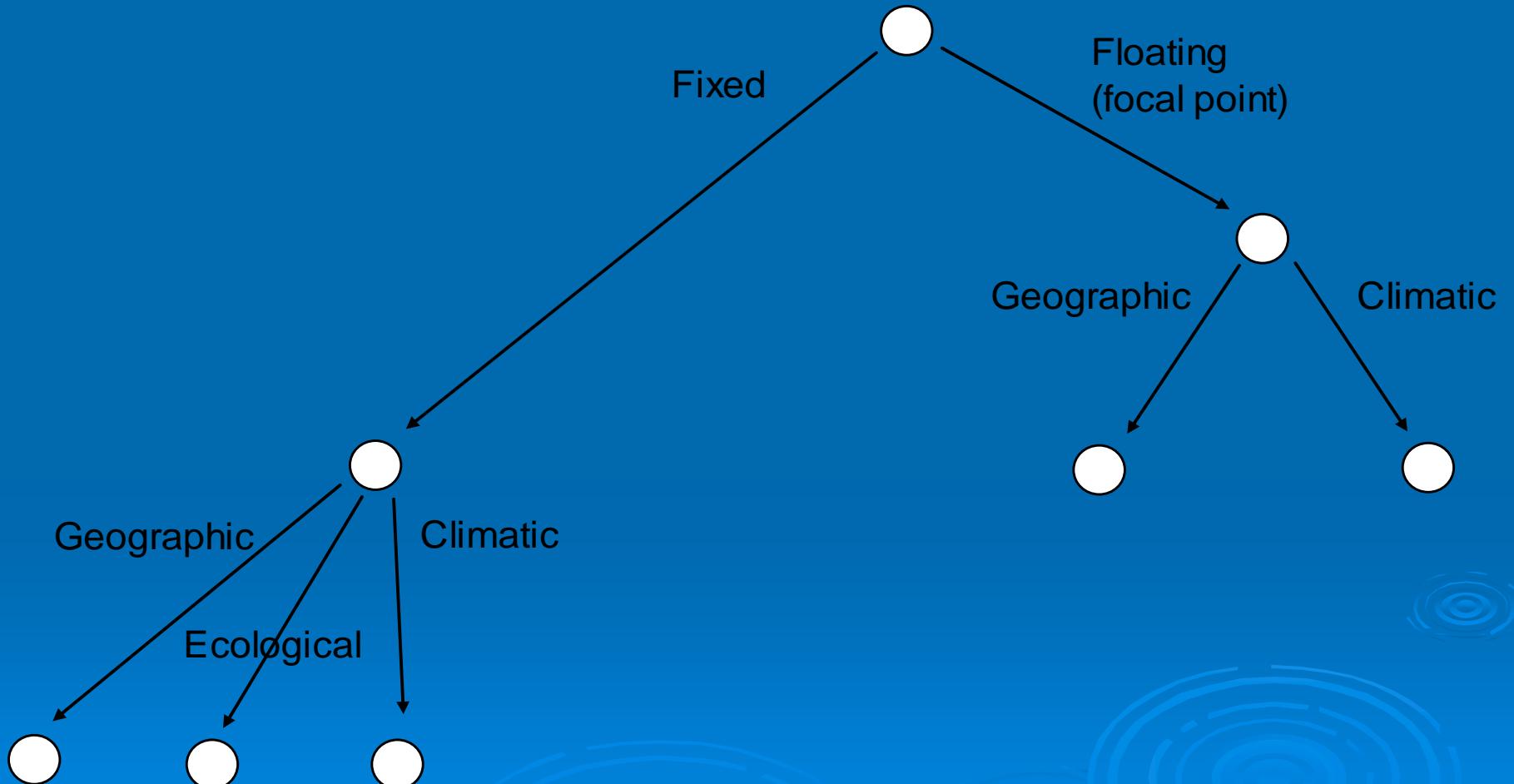


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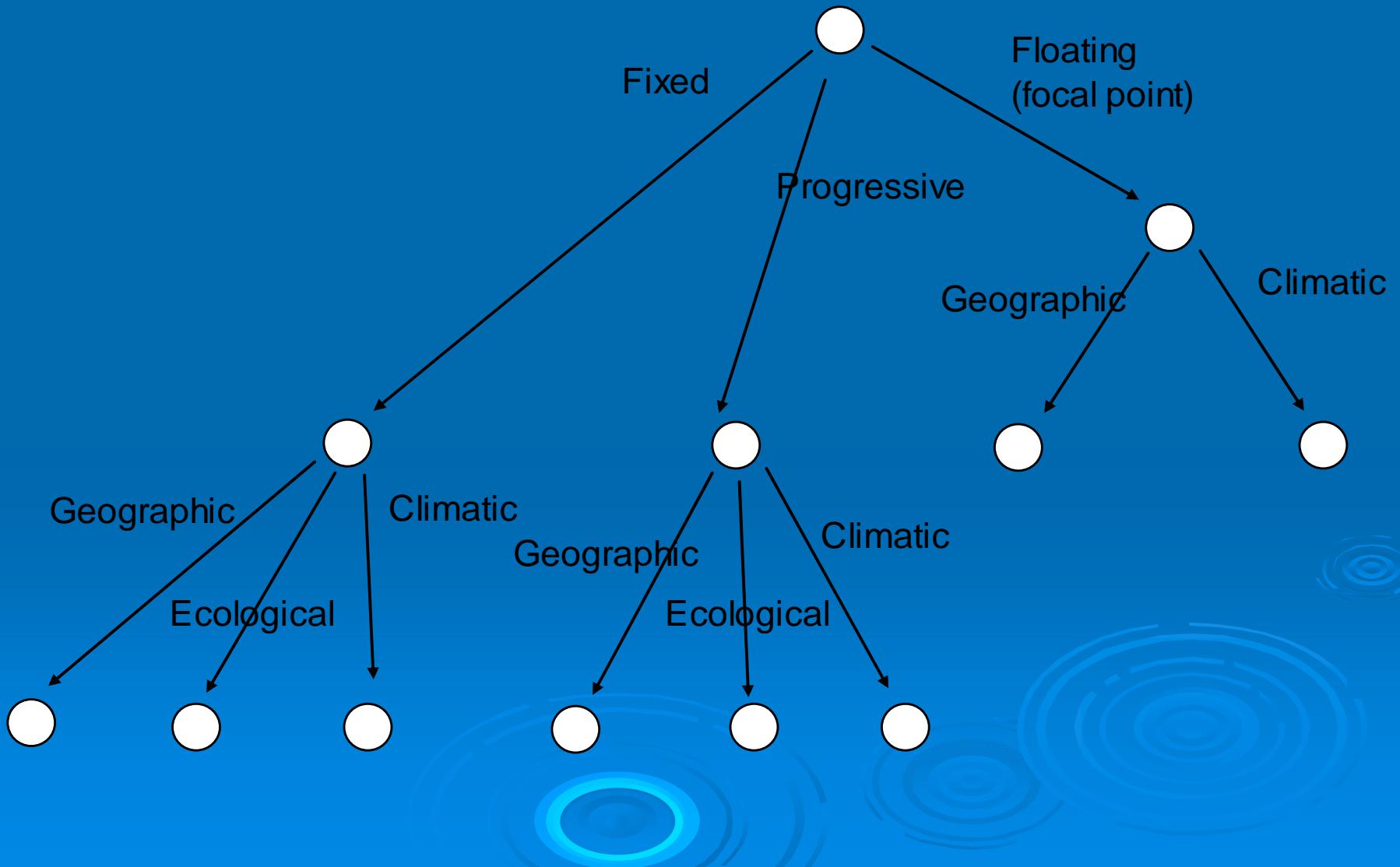
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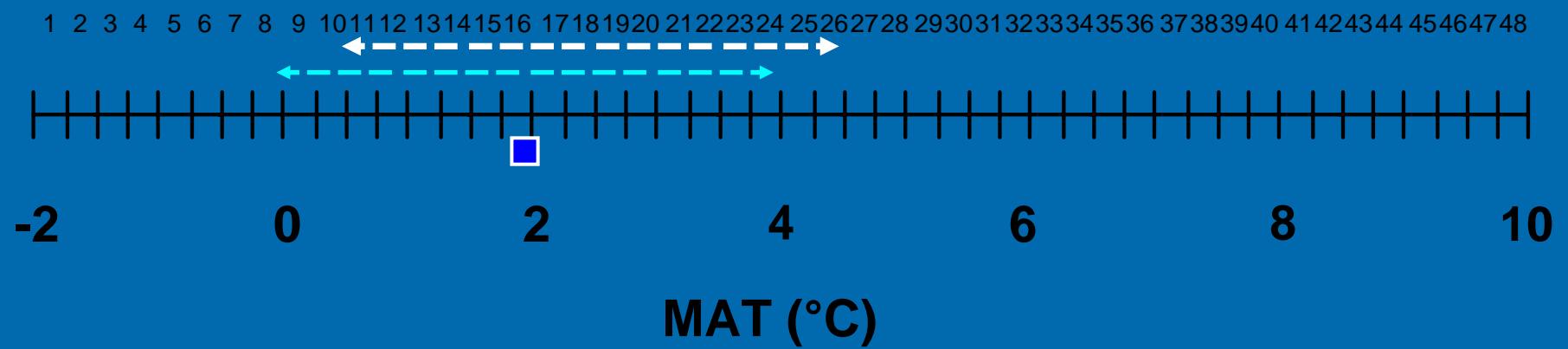


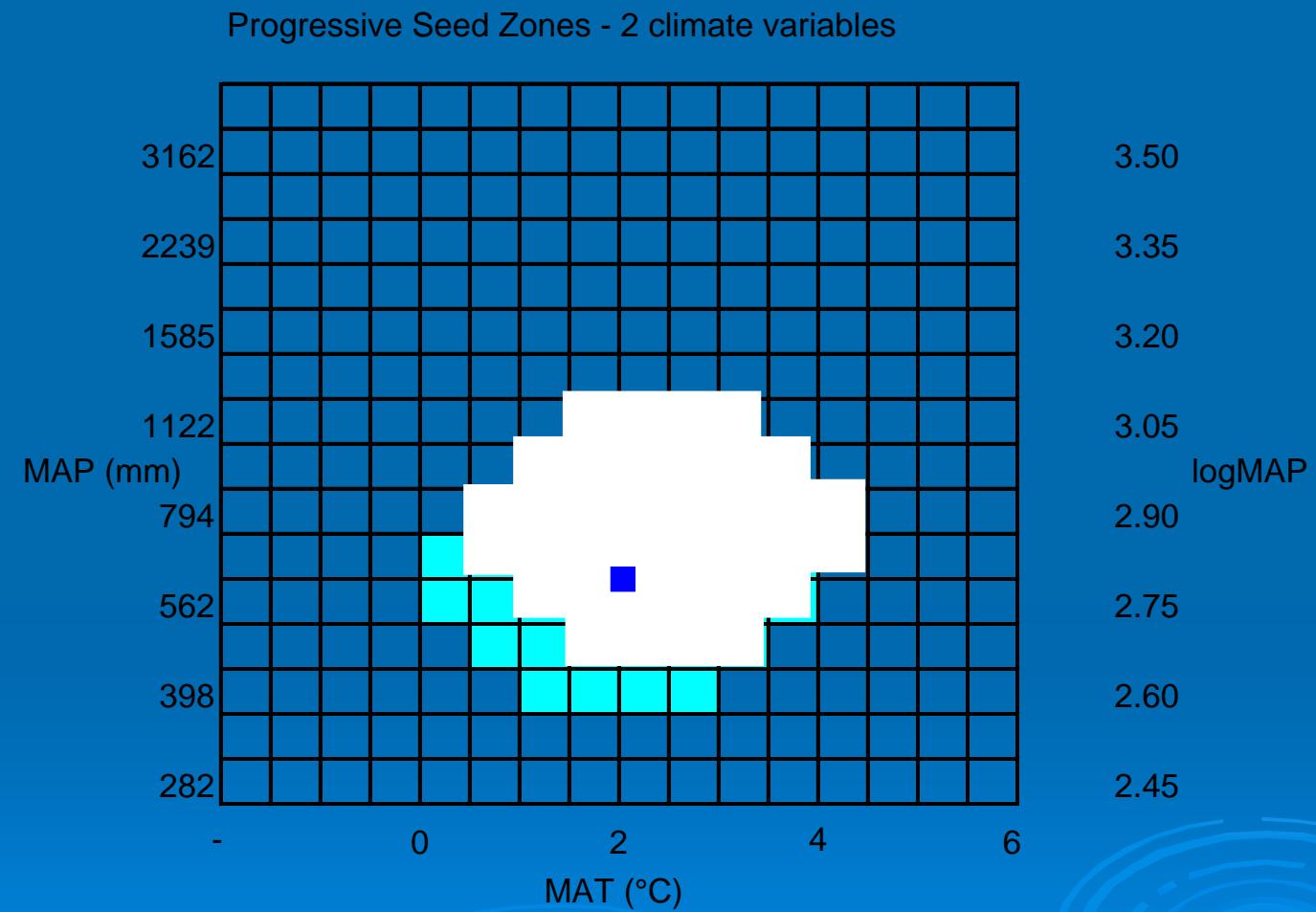
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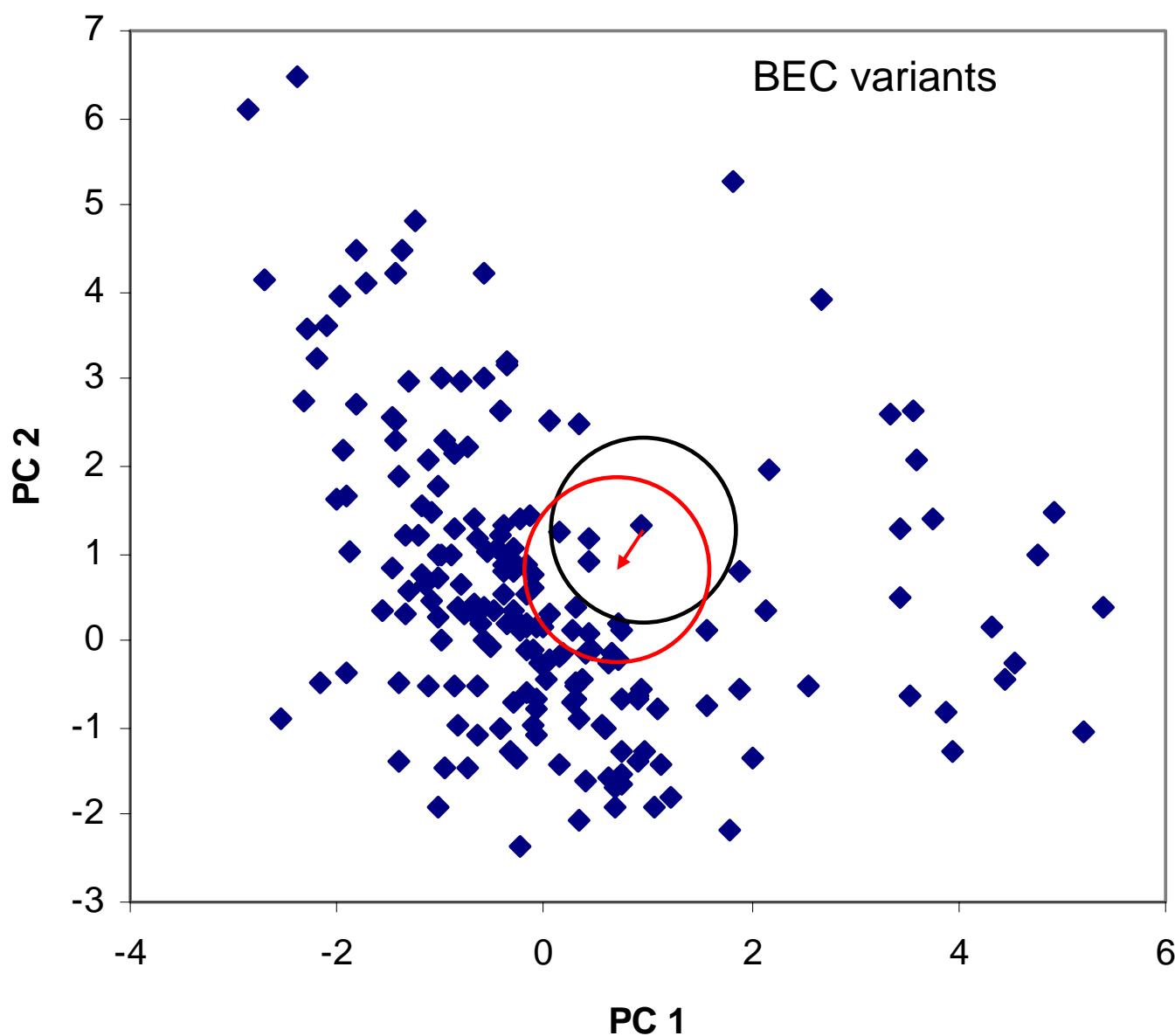


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➤ Evaluation Criteria

- Minimize maladaptation
- Maximize deployability
- Ease of implementation and use
- Accommodate assisted migration

➤ Summary

- New ST system will reduce maladaptation, increase seed deployability and allow for assisted migration
- Fixed zones systems have poorer deployability than floating systems
- Progressive systems – good deployability and easy to use

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