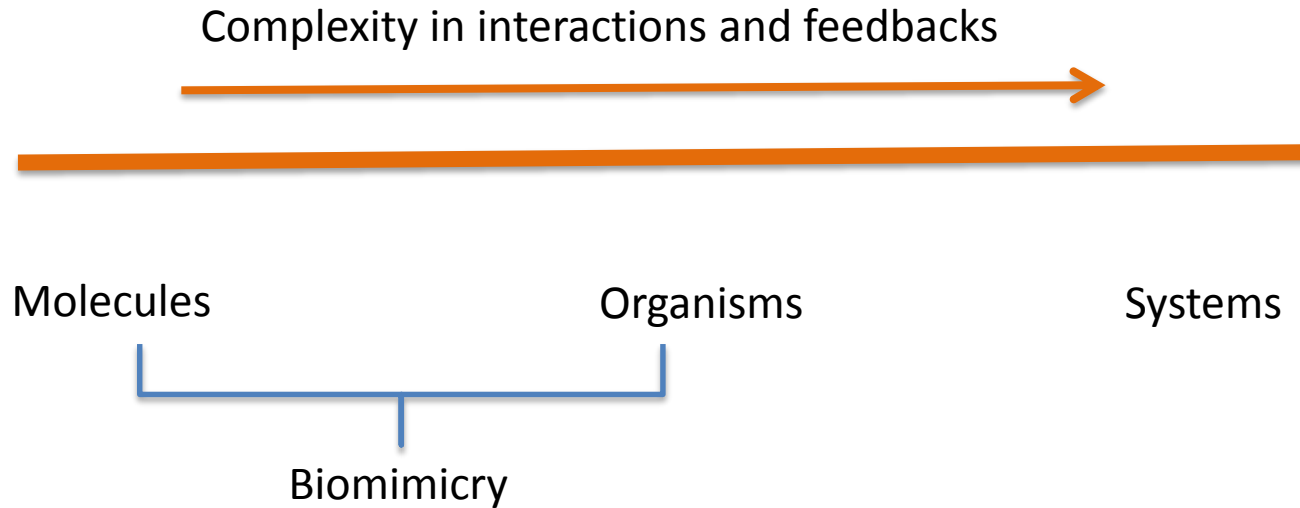


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Nature based solutions

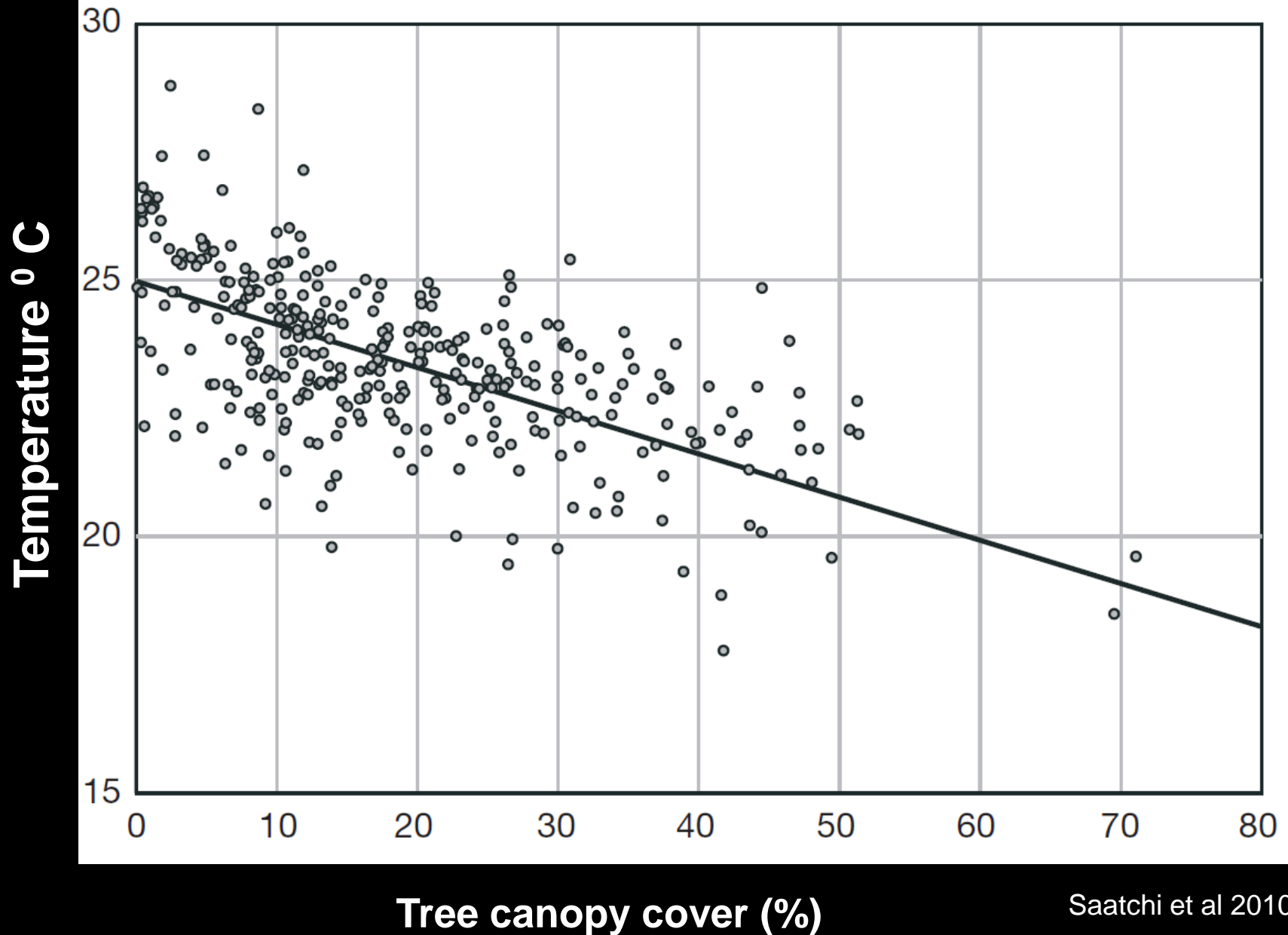


Urban heat waves

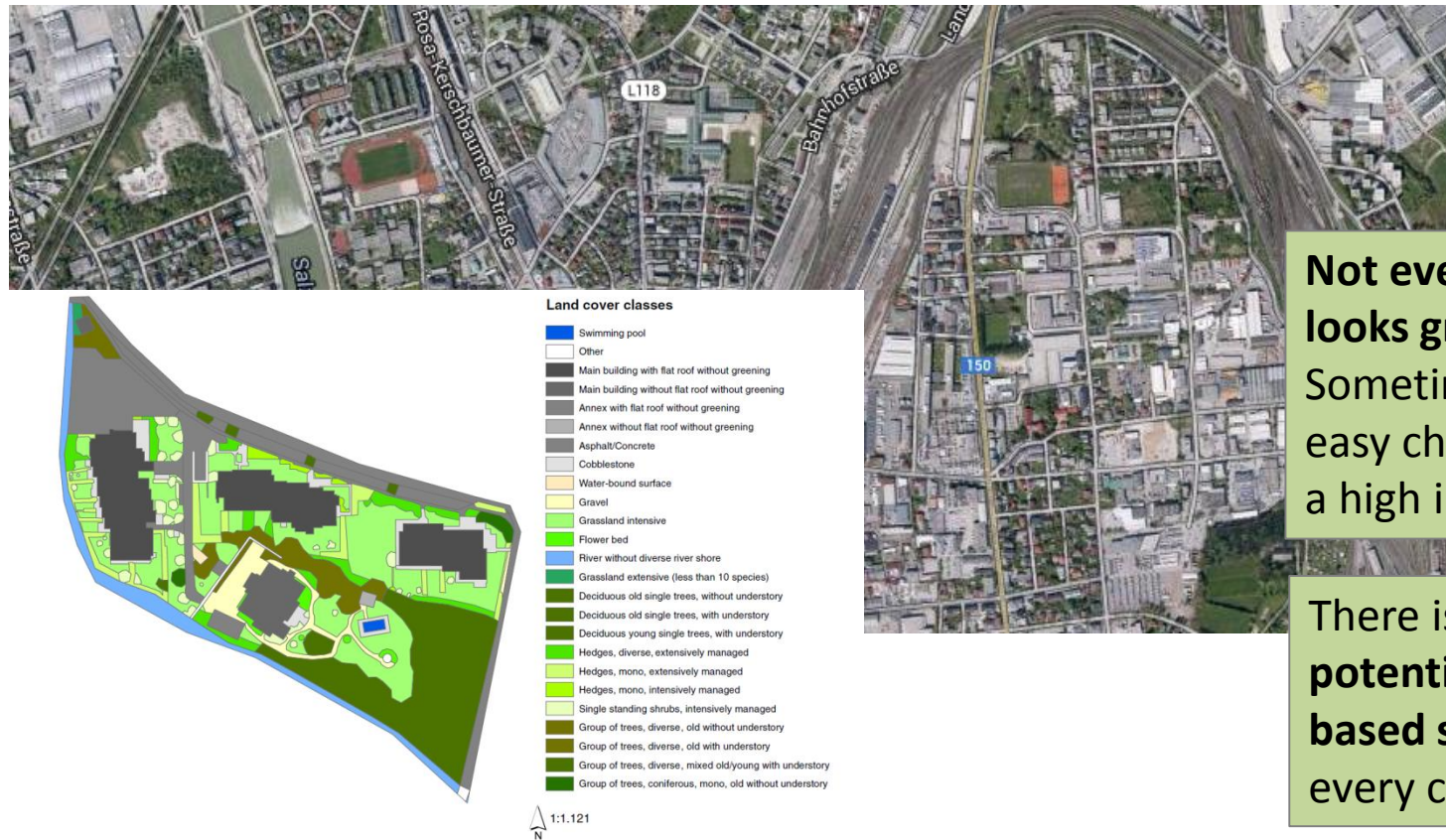


Estimated 70.000 excess deaths as a result of a heat wave in Europe in 2003 (Robine et al 2007)

Cooling effect of trees



Nature based solutions and potential for climate change adaptation and mitigation

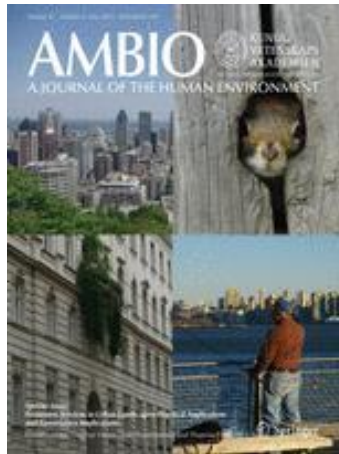


Not everything that looks grey is grey. Sometimes slight and easy changes can have a high impact.

There is a **high potential for nature based solutions** in every city.

Looking inside urban built-up areas we find a high potential for climate change adaptation, mitigation, risk management and public health provision.

Special Issues



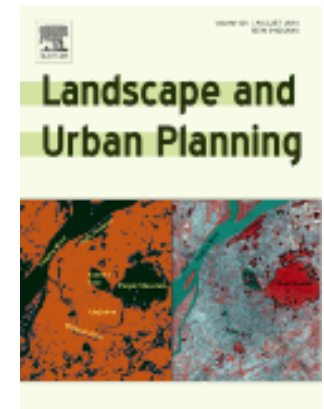
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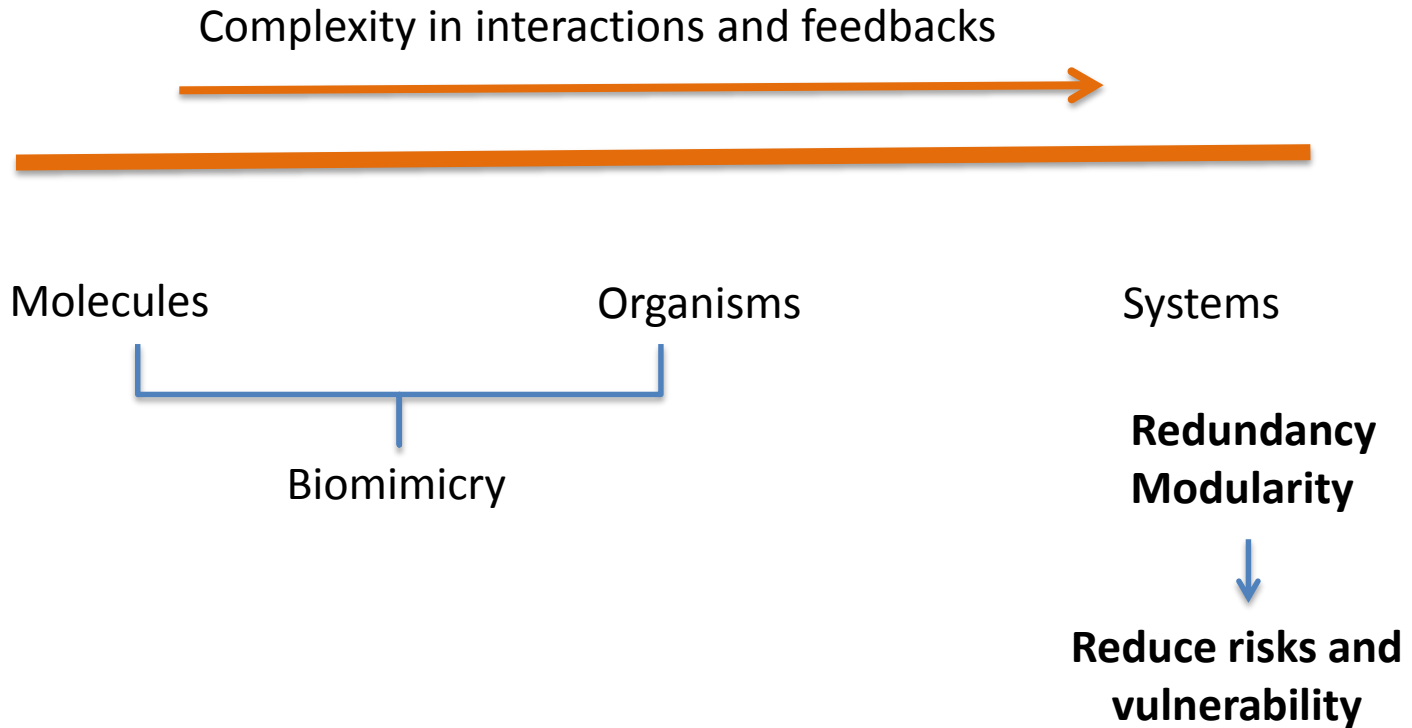


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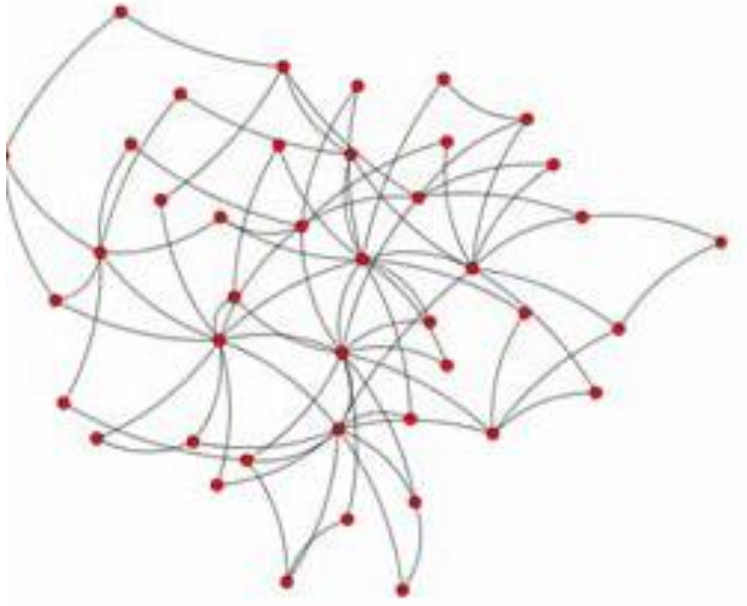


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Nature based solutions



Vulnerability and Efficiency



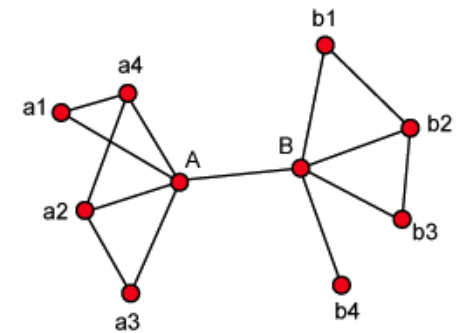
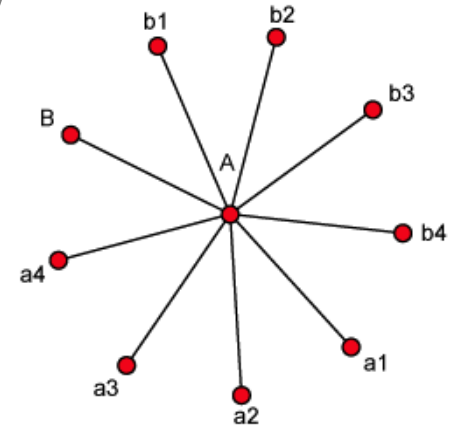
Self-organized network
(high redundancy)



Efficiency



Robustness



Designed networks
(low redundancy)

Vulnerability as a Cost of Efficiency

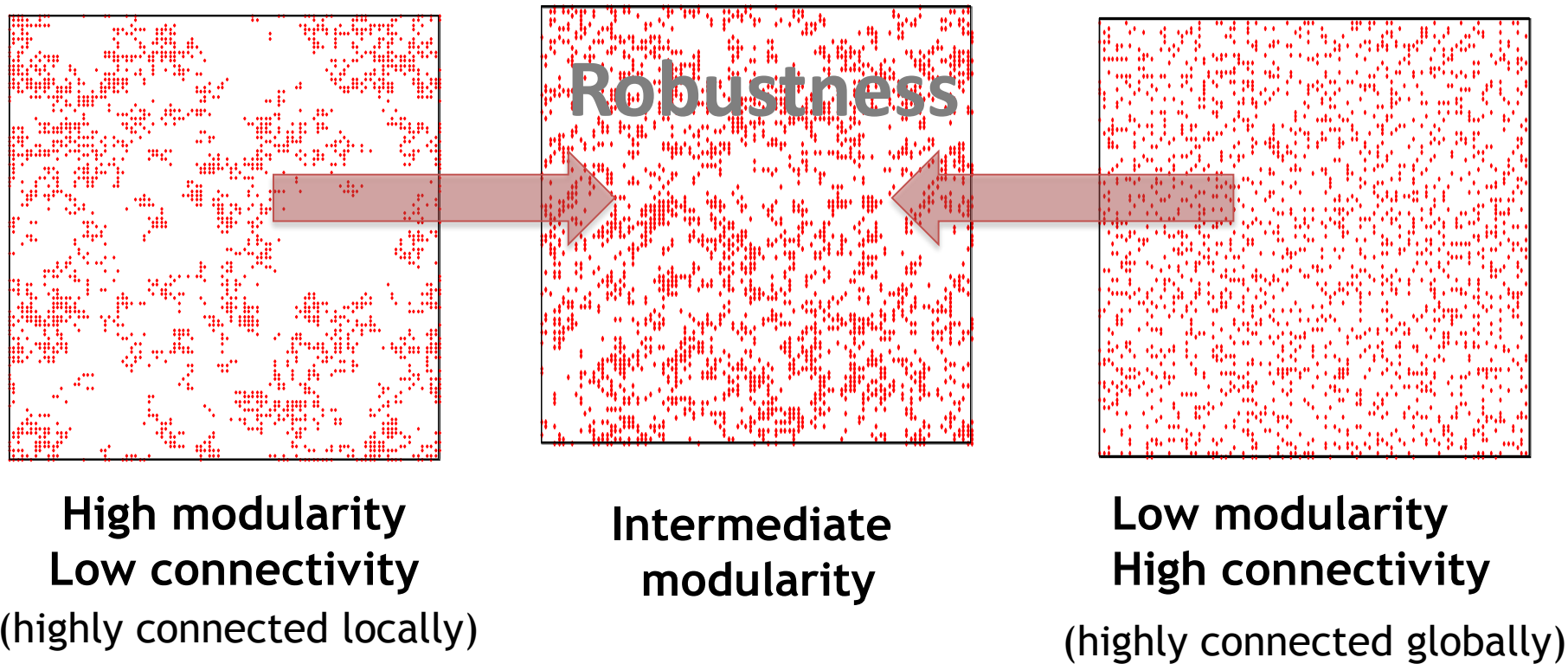
- Low redundancy (low overlap) among agencies, organisations, and in management, may lead to increased vulnerability – failure to address novelties - e.g. surprises related to climate change
 - Polycentric governance (Ostrom et al. 2010)
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Smart City – the ordered and highly connected city



Modularity

the degree to which a system's components may be separated and recombined.



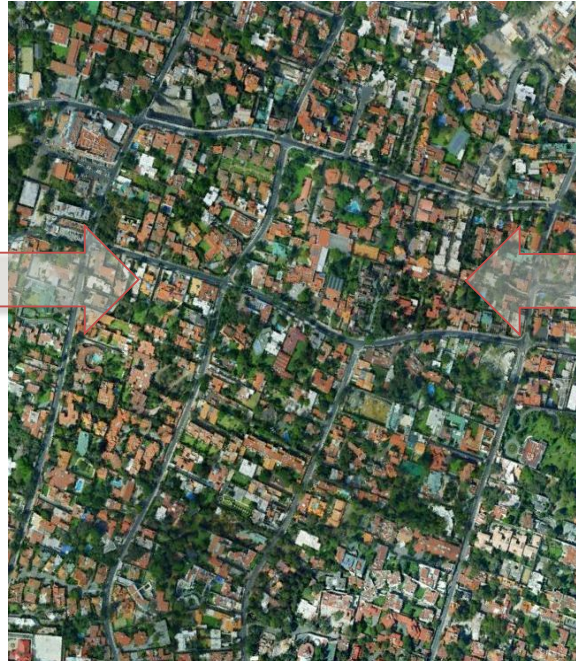
Intermediate modularity contribute to the robustness of an ecosystem by limiting the spread of e.g. disturbances or disease (e.g. May 1972, Pimm 1979, Rozdilsky et al. 2004, Teng & McCann 2004, Montoya et al 2006, Webb and Bodin 2008).

Three urban landscapes

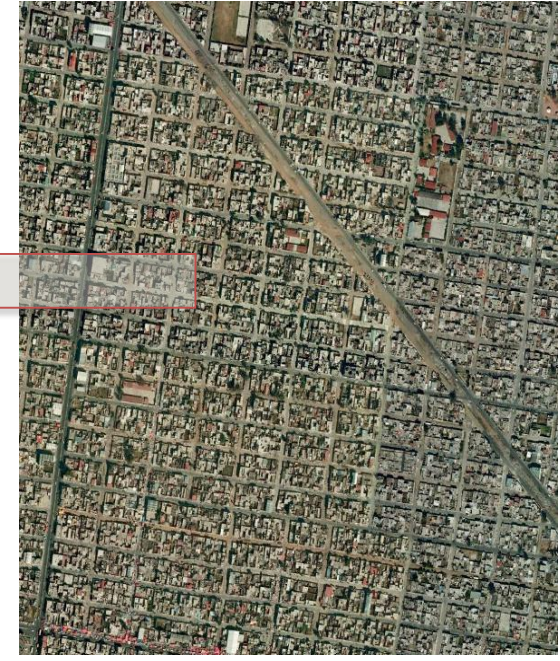


High modularity

Sprawling



Intermediate modularity



Low modularity

Highly compact

Sprawling urban growth needs to be restricted, but there are also limitations and vulnerabilities with highly compact cities (Elmqvist et al ms)

Global modularity (Digital)

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