



### Carbon Savers and Spenders

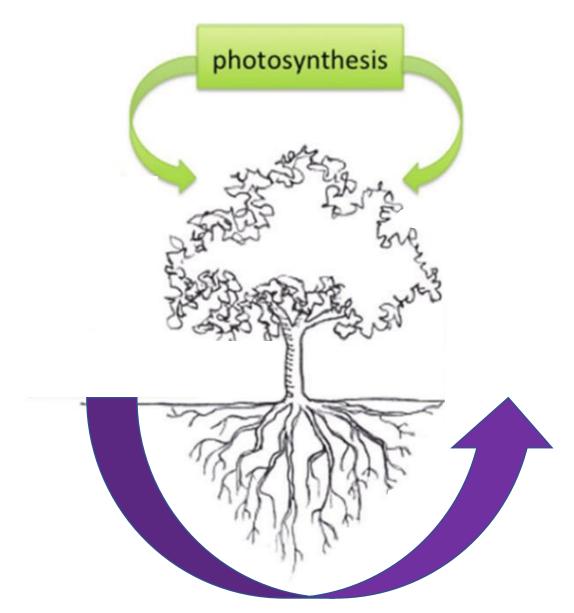
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# Carbon Allocation Patterns



Winter:
Dormant, little
supply or demand
of carbon

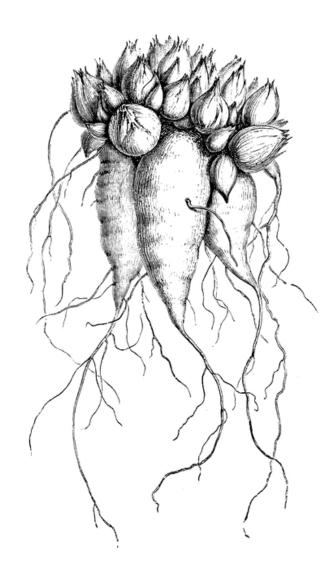
Seasonal
Dynamics:
Deciduous

Trees

Fall: Lower carbon demand, NSCs accumulate Spring:
Carbon demand
Exceeds supply,
NSCs used for
growth



Summer: Carbon supply exceeds demand, NSCs accumulate Storage organs:
Active storage





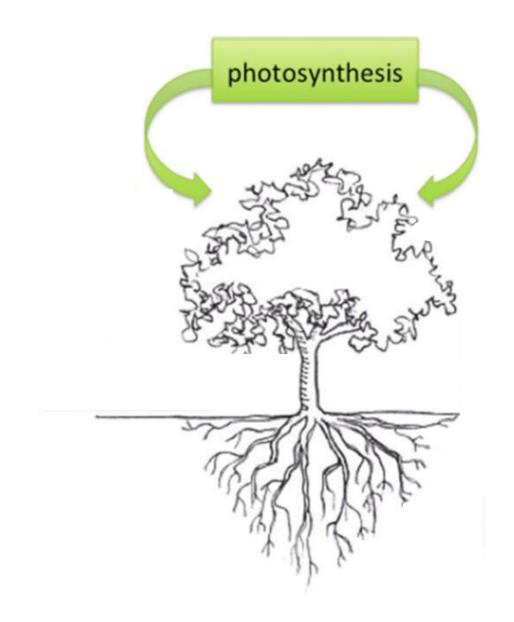




NSCs and Episodic Defoliation Events

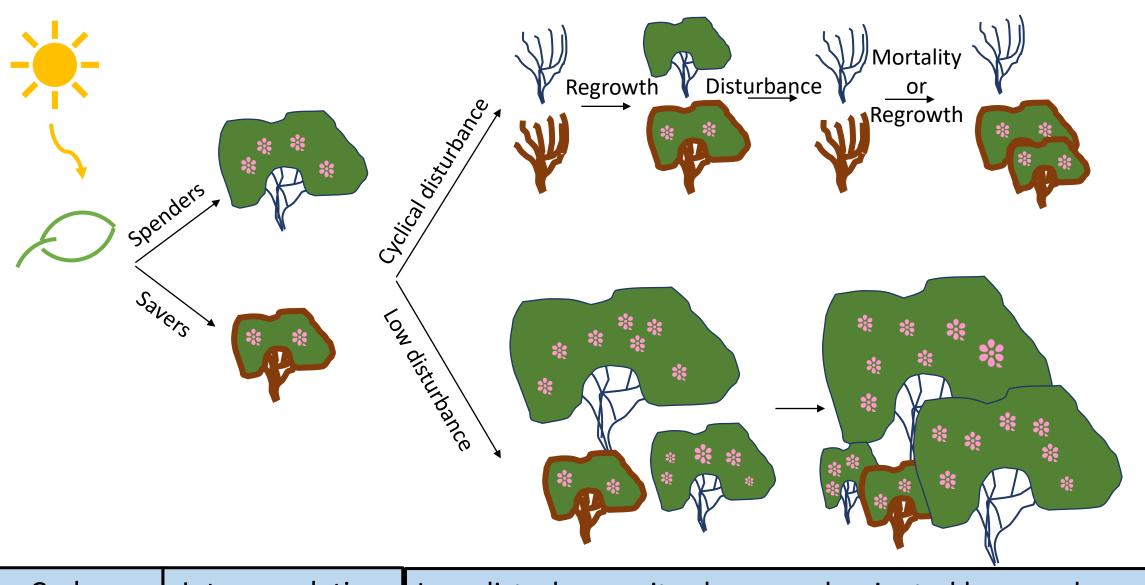
#### Tradeoffs?

- Carbon is a limited resource
- Allocation to storage reduces carbon for growth



#### Are there spenders and savers?

- H There are tradeoffs between carbon sinks and storage
  - Greater carbon storage will result in lower growth rates
  - Cyclical disturbance events will select for greater storage

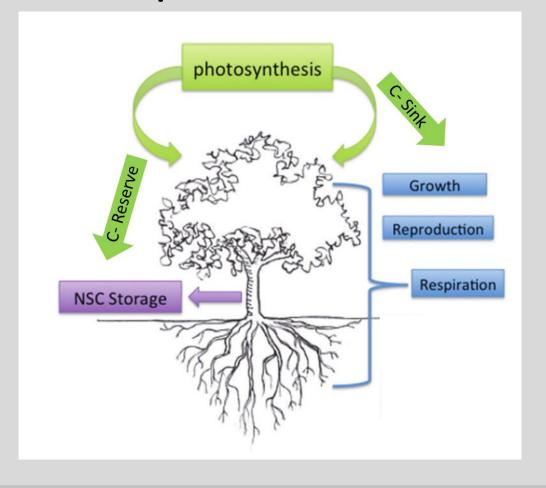


Carbon Acquisition

Intrapopulation differences

Low disturbance sites become dominated by spenders, sites with cyclical disturbances become dominated by savers

#### Local Adaptation in Tamarisk?









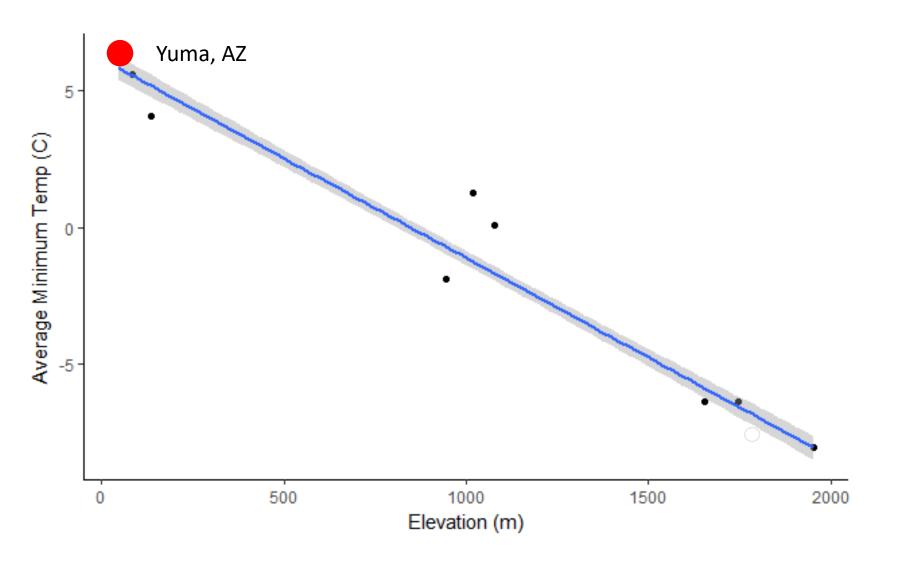


#### Extreme cold and late freeze

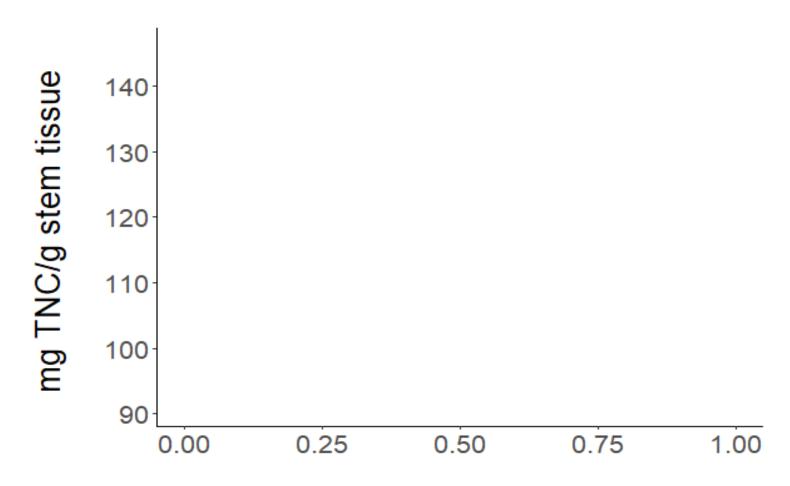
#### Tamarisk Common Garden (Yuma, AZ)





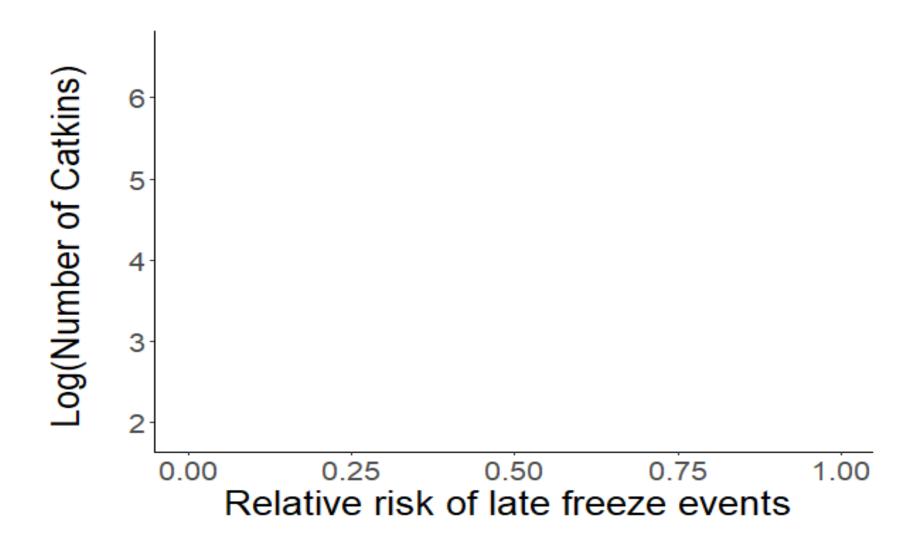


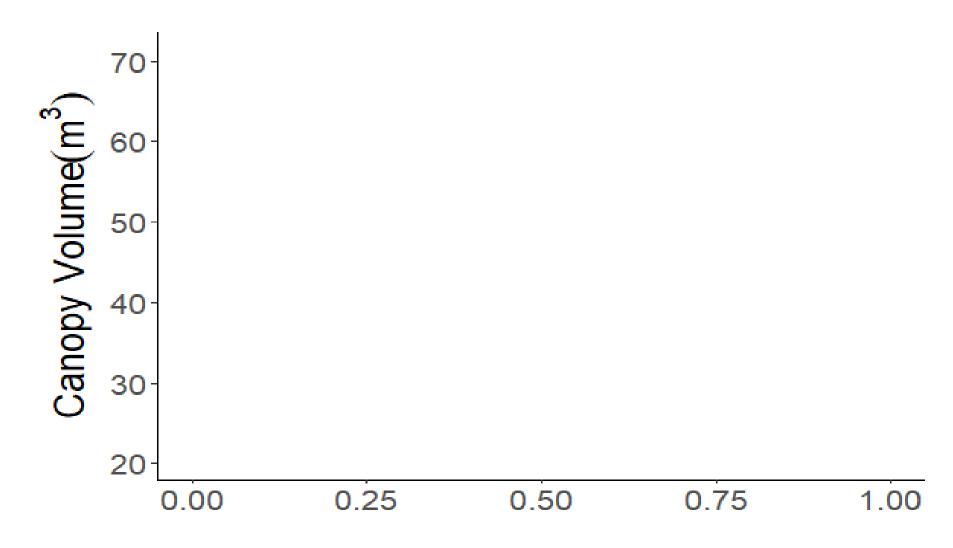
## Altitudinal Gradient



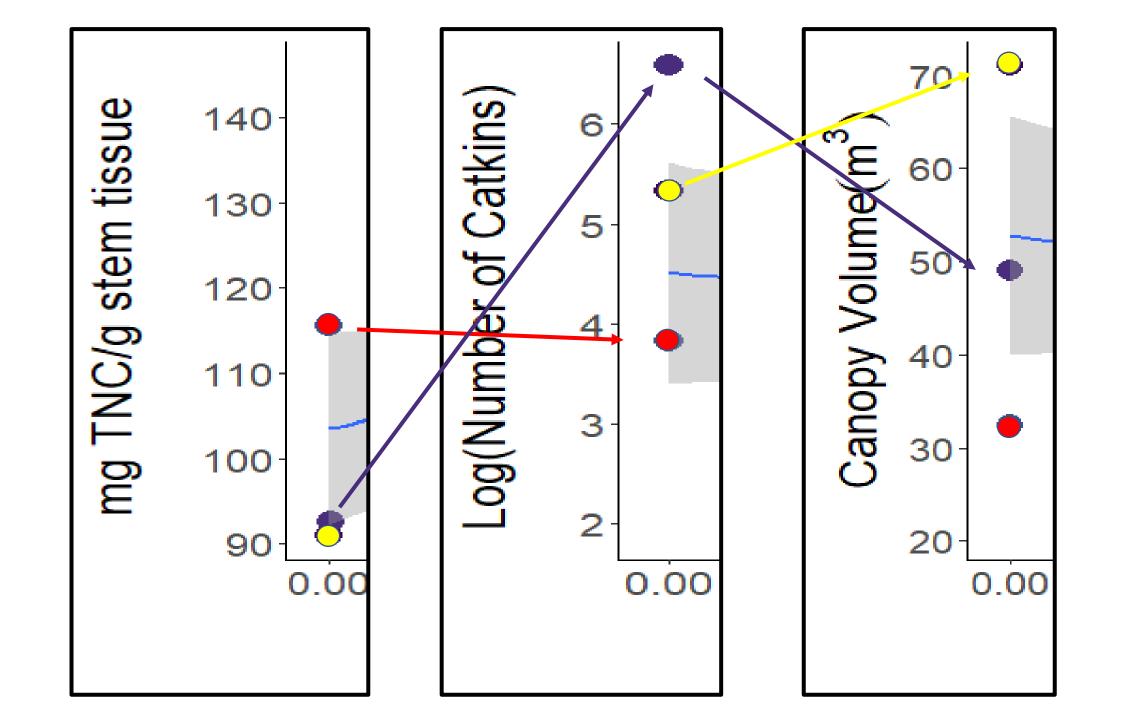
Relative risk of late freeze events

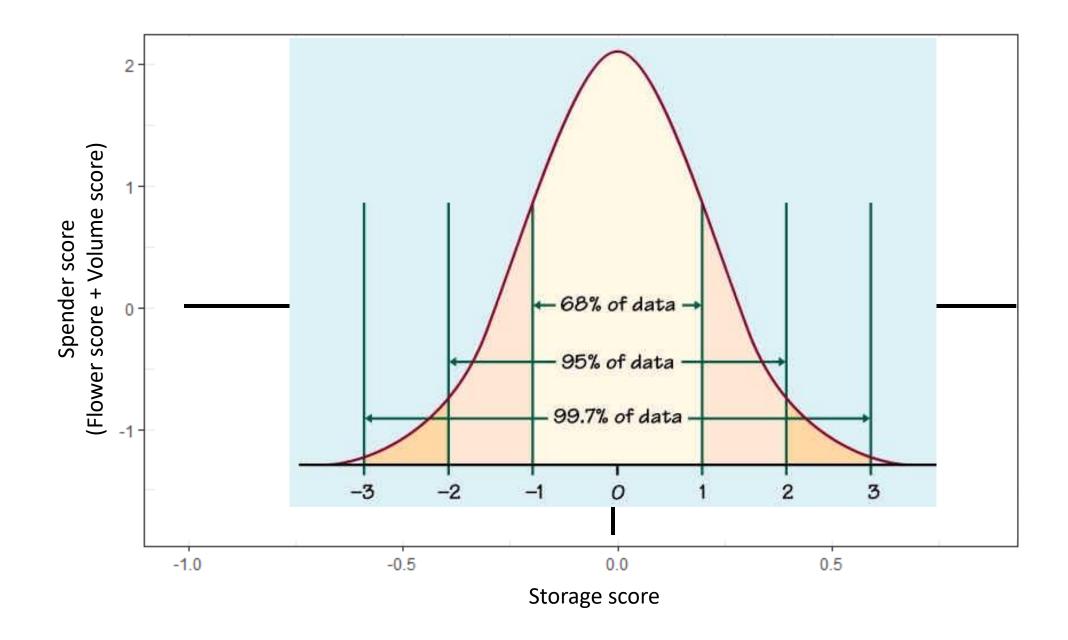
$$F_{(1,7)} = 10.75$$
, p = 0.014,  $R^2 = 0.61$ 

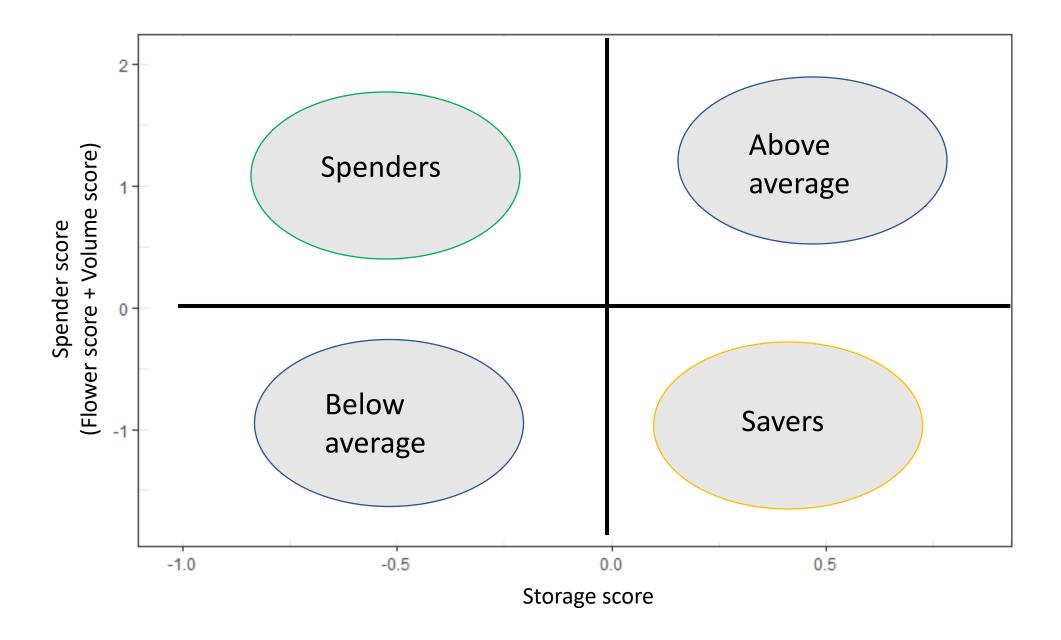


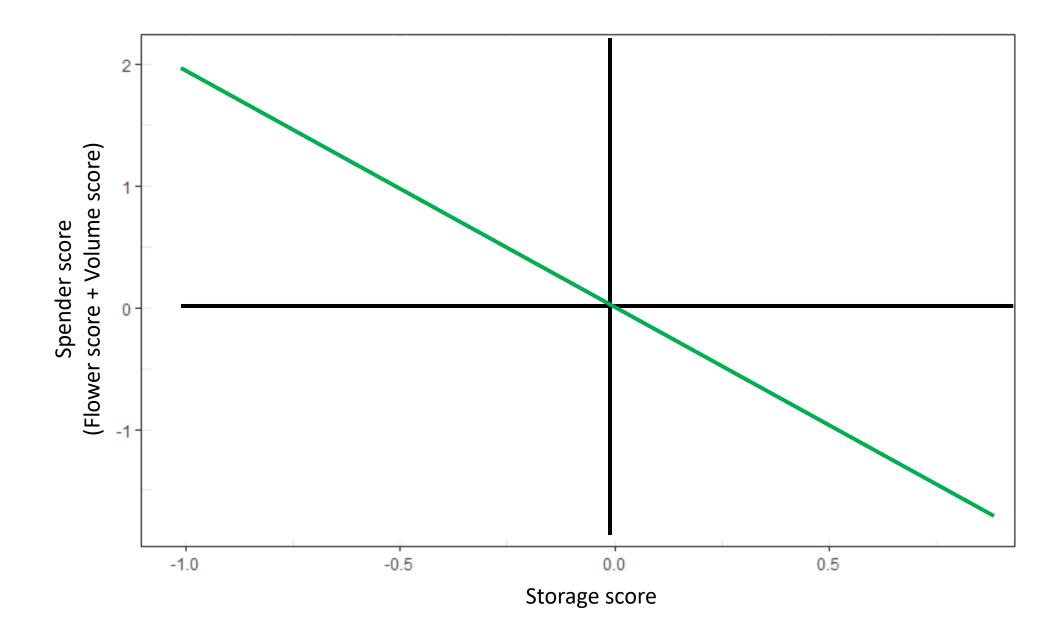


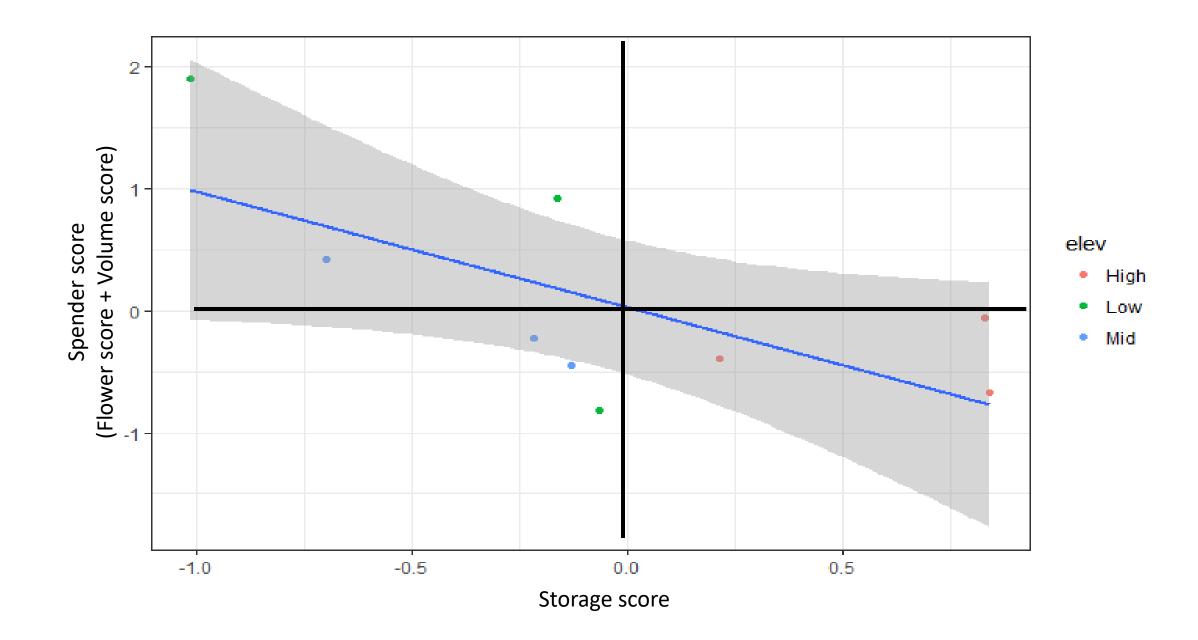
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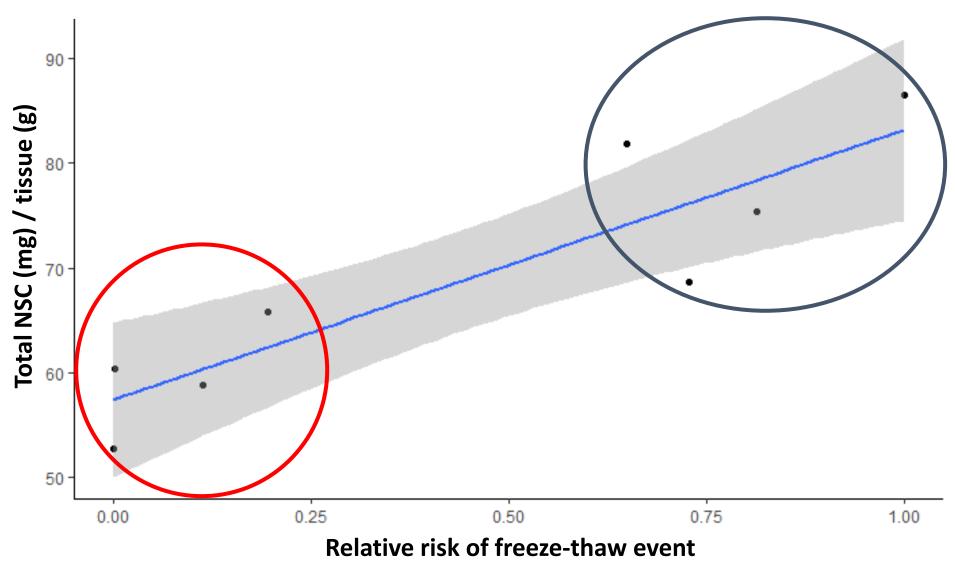






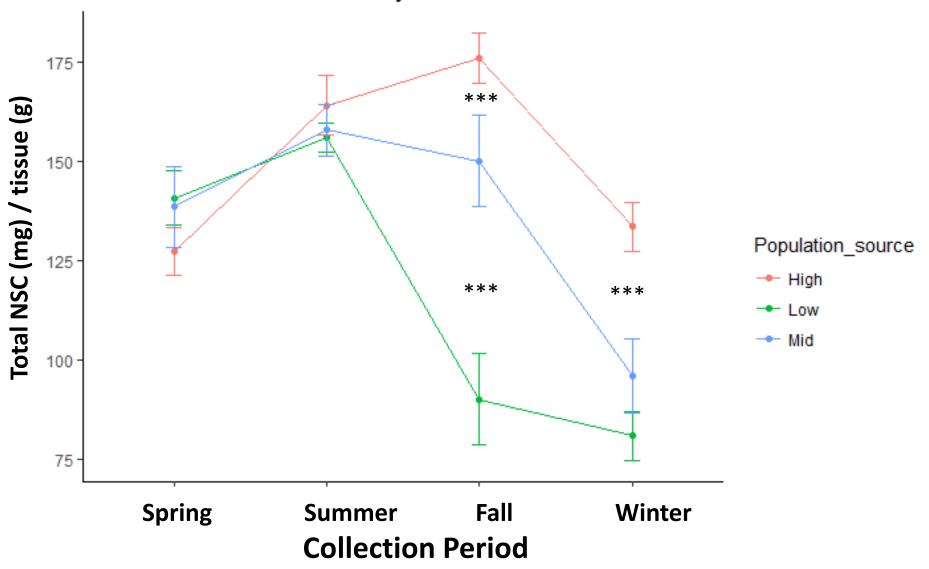


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$$F_{(1,6)} = 24.28$$
, p = .003,  $R^2 = 0.80$ 

#### Season non-structural carbohydrate accumulation: Roots



Population\*Date:  $F_{(6,99)} = 5.093$ , P = 0.00014

