

Human population dynamics

Lecture 2

Future of the human population

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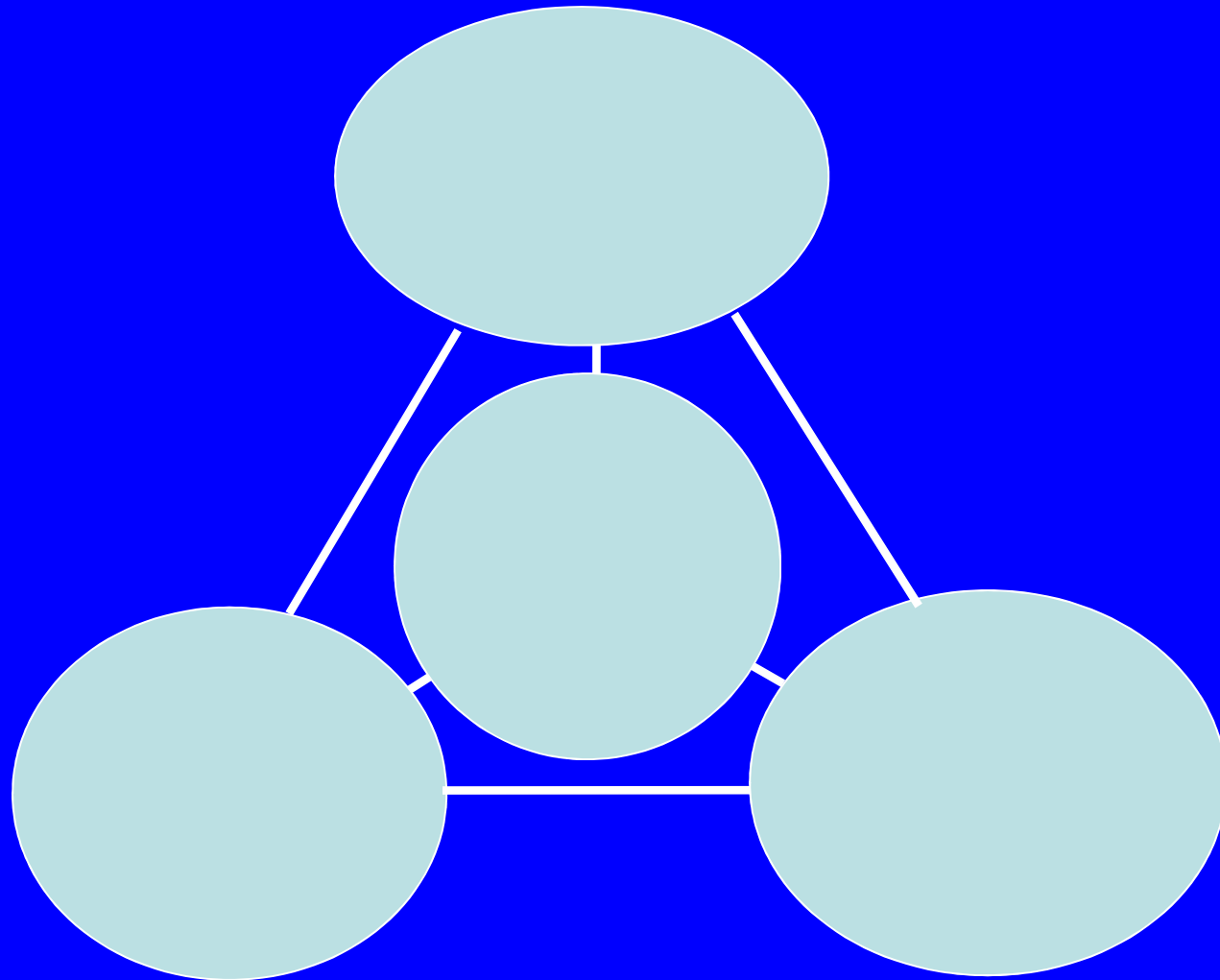
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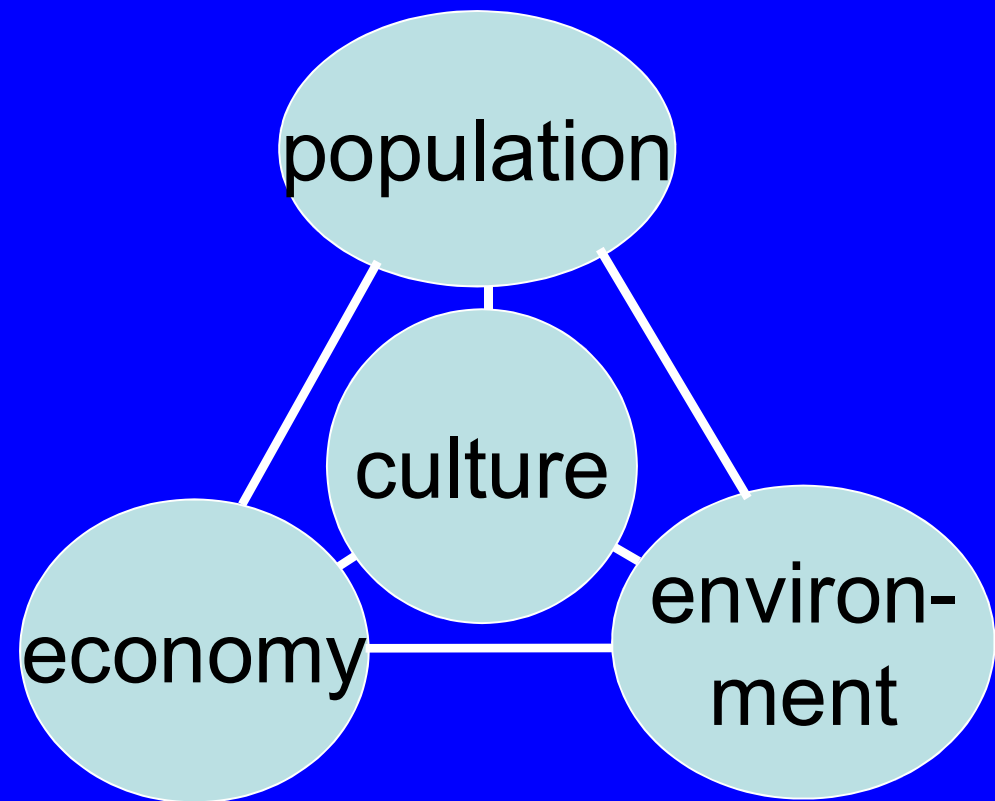
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Review

Quiz



Population
Economy
Environment
Culture
interact.



Multiple choice test

1. If global population size continues to grow 1.0%/y, it will more than double by 2100. T, F
2. Global population growth is likely to end by 2100. T, F, do not know
3. Globally, most growth in urban populations comes from rural migrants to cities. T, F
4. By 2050, it is reasonable to expect as many adults 60+ as children 0-14. T, F
5. The fraction of people aged 15-64 years peaked forever around 2012. T, F

● The 21st century is demographically unlike any before.



Montpellier, France JEC

The future of human populations: Outline

Methods

Results

Methods

Core concepts

Projection vs prediction

Time horizon: short-term vs long-term

Expert judgment vs statistical models vs
policy

Projection versus prediction

Projection: statement about attributes of future population **conditional on explicit assumptions**, without asserting these assumptions will hold true.

Example: if global population grows at 1%/year, it will double in size in ~69 years.

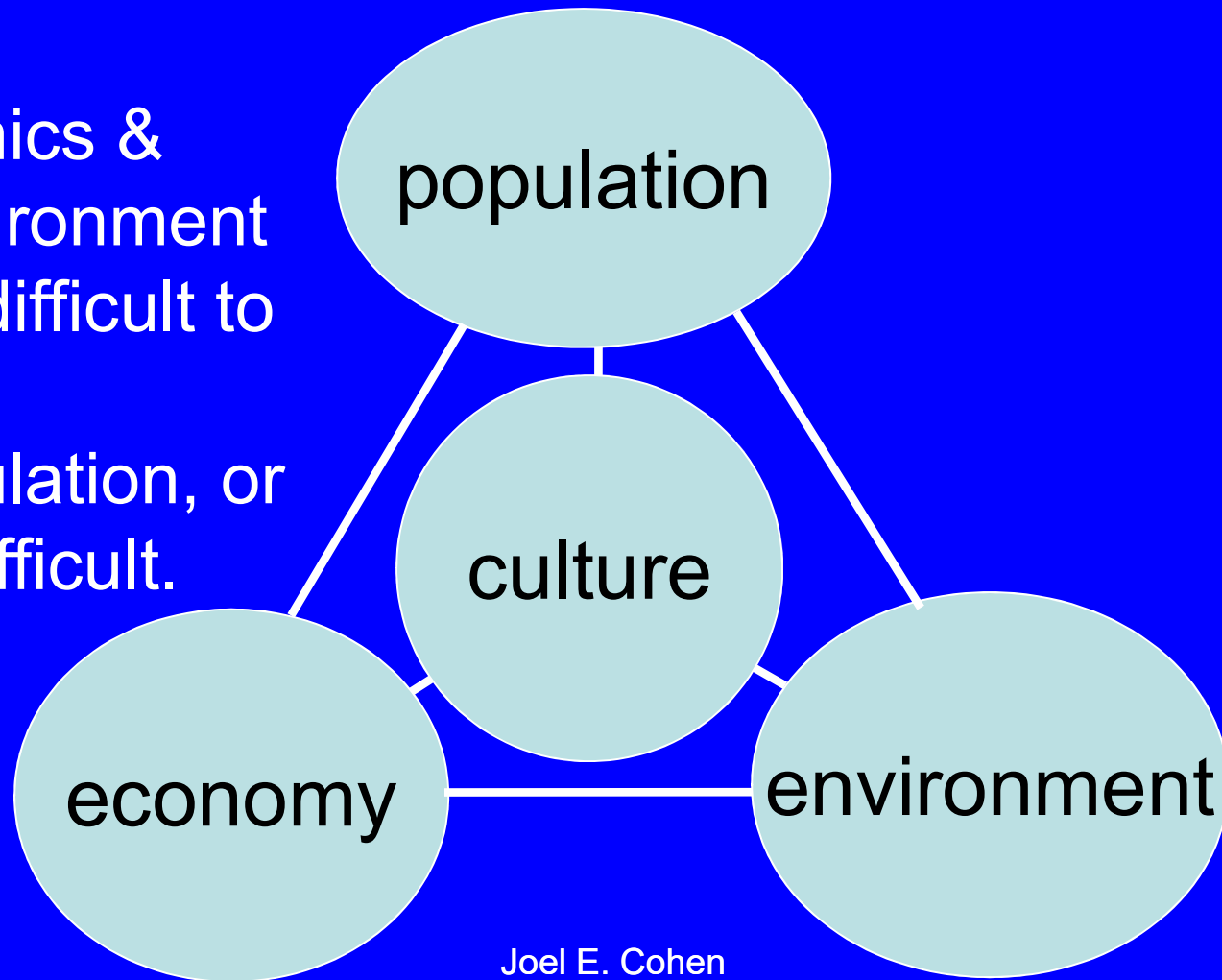
Prediction: unconditional statement about attributes of future population (including likelihood of different trajectories)

Example: global population will double in 21st century.

Journalists & the public ignore this distinction.

Fundamental difficulty in predicting future:
**Population interacts with economics,
the environment & culture.**

Culture,
economics &
the environment
are as difficult to
predict
as population, or
more difficult.



Time horizon: short-term
demographic future is 15 years.

Everyone who will be 15+ years old 15
years from now is alive now.

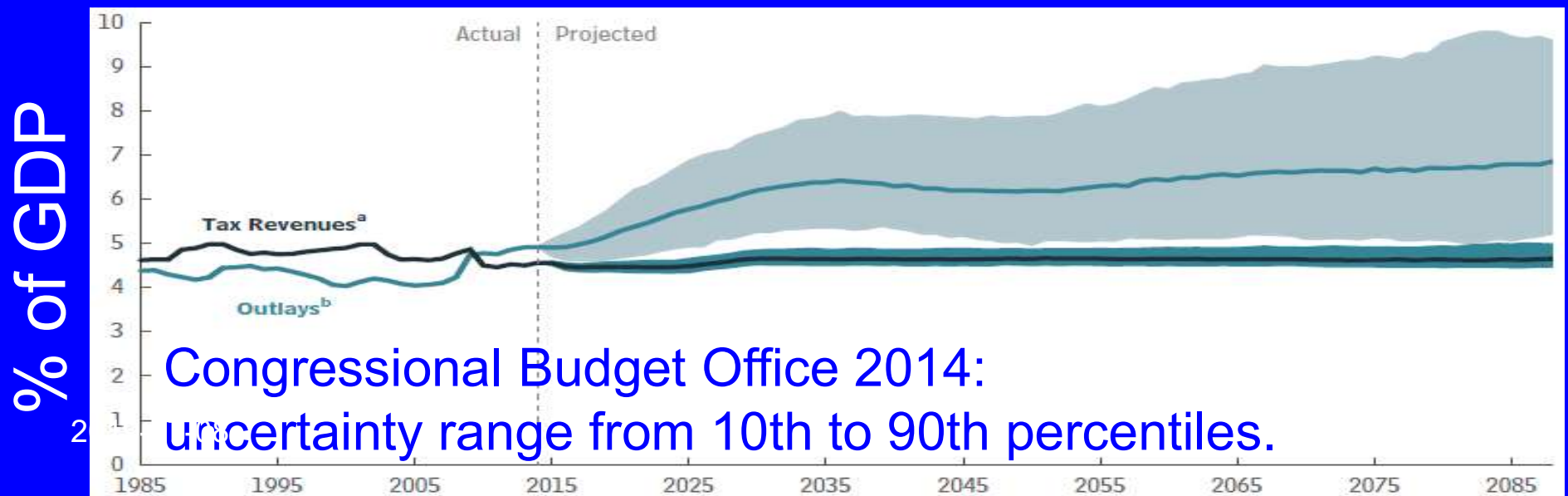
Mothers of almost all births during the
next 15 years are alive now.

Prediction is plausible.

Time horizon: long-term
demographic future is 85 years.

Only people who will be 81+ in 2100 are
alive in 2019. Very few mothers of
births 2060-2100 are alive in 2019.

Projected Social Security tax revenues & outlays
under unchanged legislation in the United States



UN projections span 2015-2100.

Forecasting quantitative details of fertility, mortality, & migration beyond 2060 is largely guesswork.



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Berber girl, Atlas mountains, Morocco, 2009, JEC photo

Expert judgment vs statistical models vs policy

Population growth is likely to end by 2100 (expert judgment).

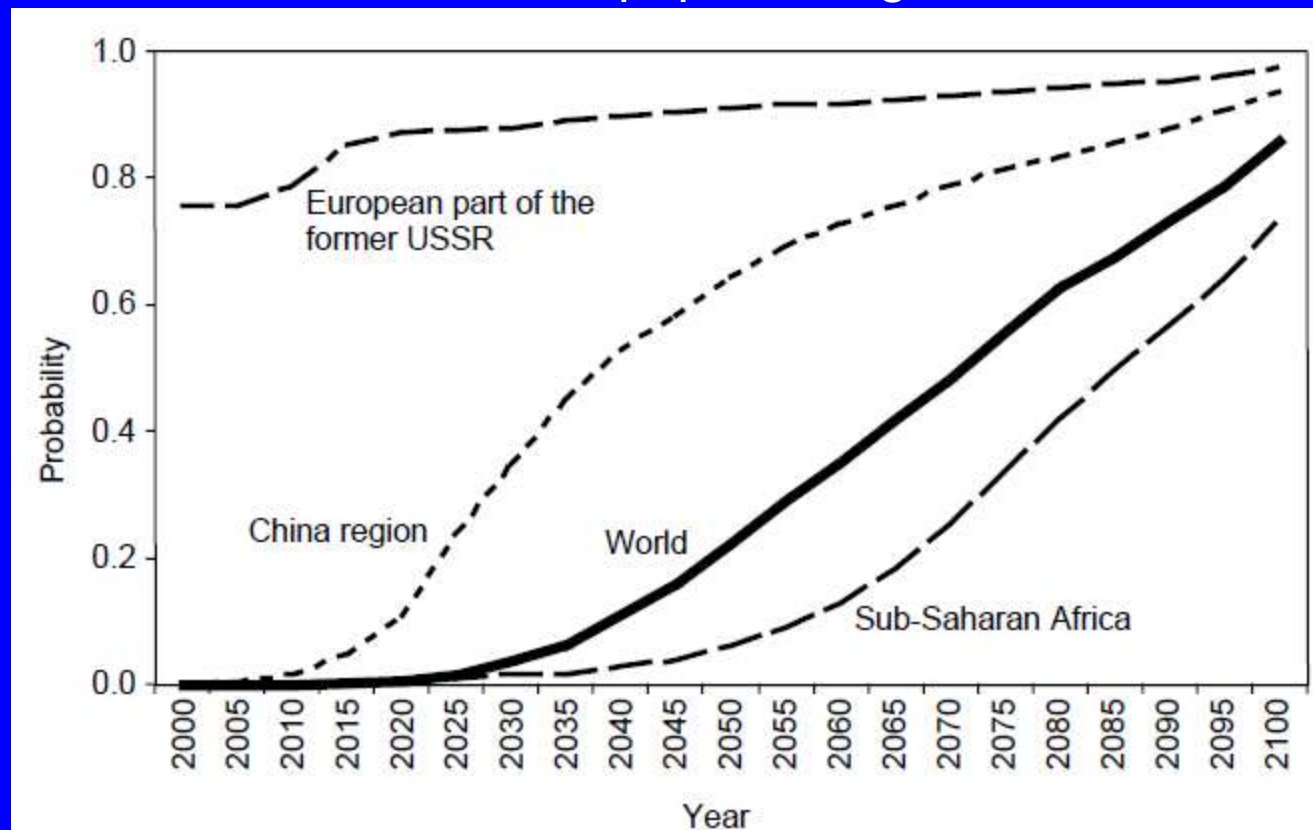
"... there is around an 85 per cent chance that the world's population will stop growing before the end of the [21st] century."

Lutz, Sanderson, Scherbov, The end of world population growth.

Nature 2001

"Forecasted probability that population will start to decline at or before the indicated date."

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Population growth is not likely to end by 2100 (statistical models).

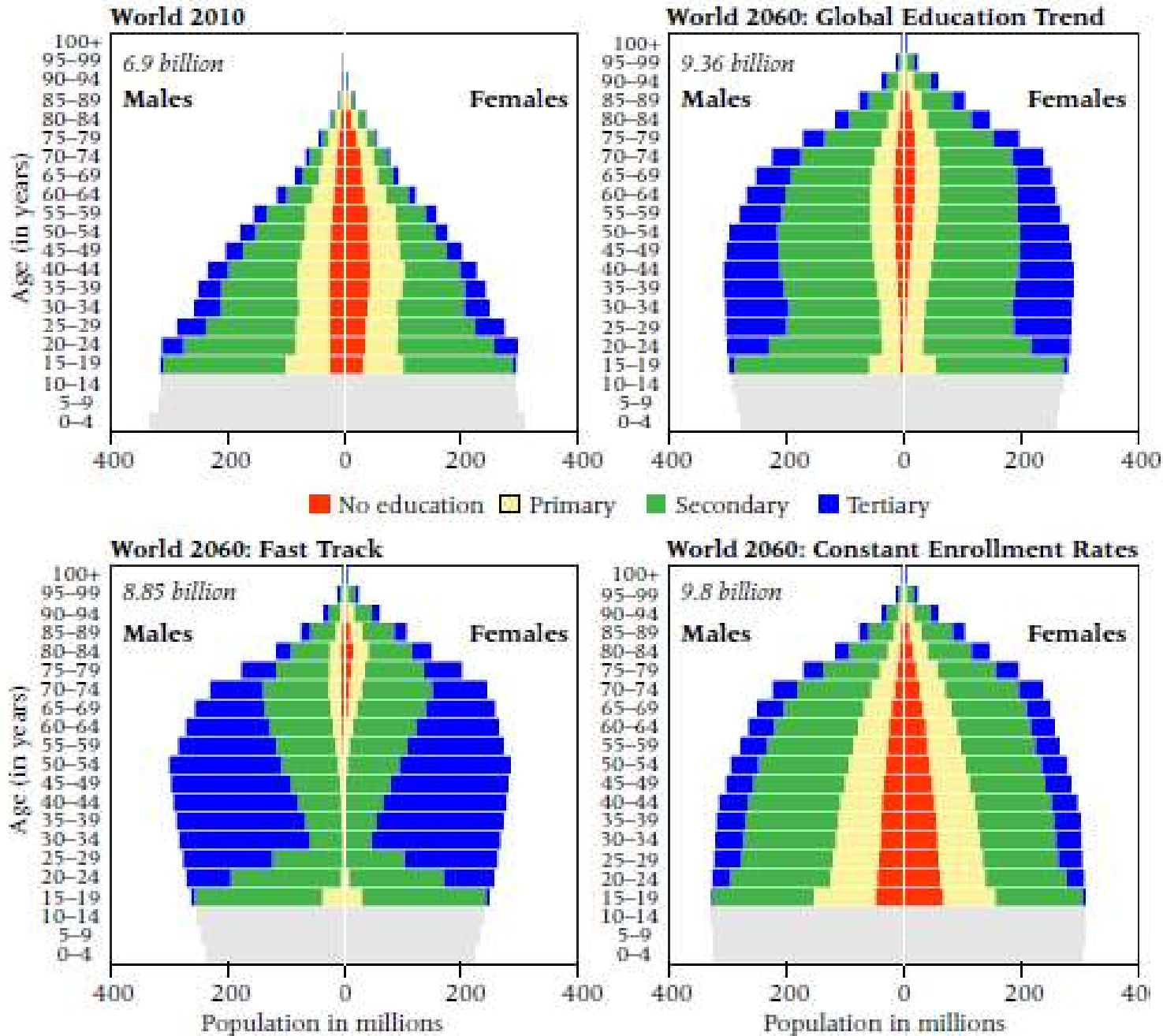
“... there is little prospect of an end to world population growth this century without unprecedented fertility declines in most parts of Sub-Saharan Africa still experiencing fast population growth.”

Gerland et al. *Science* 2014

UNPD, *World Population Prospects* 2015

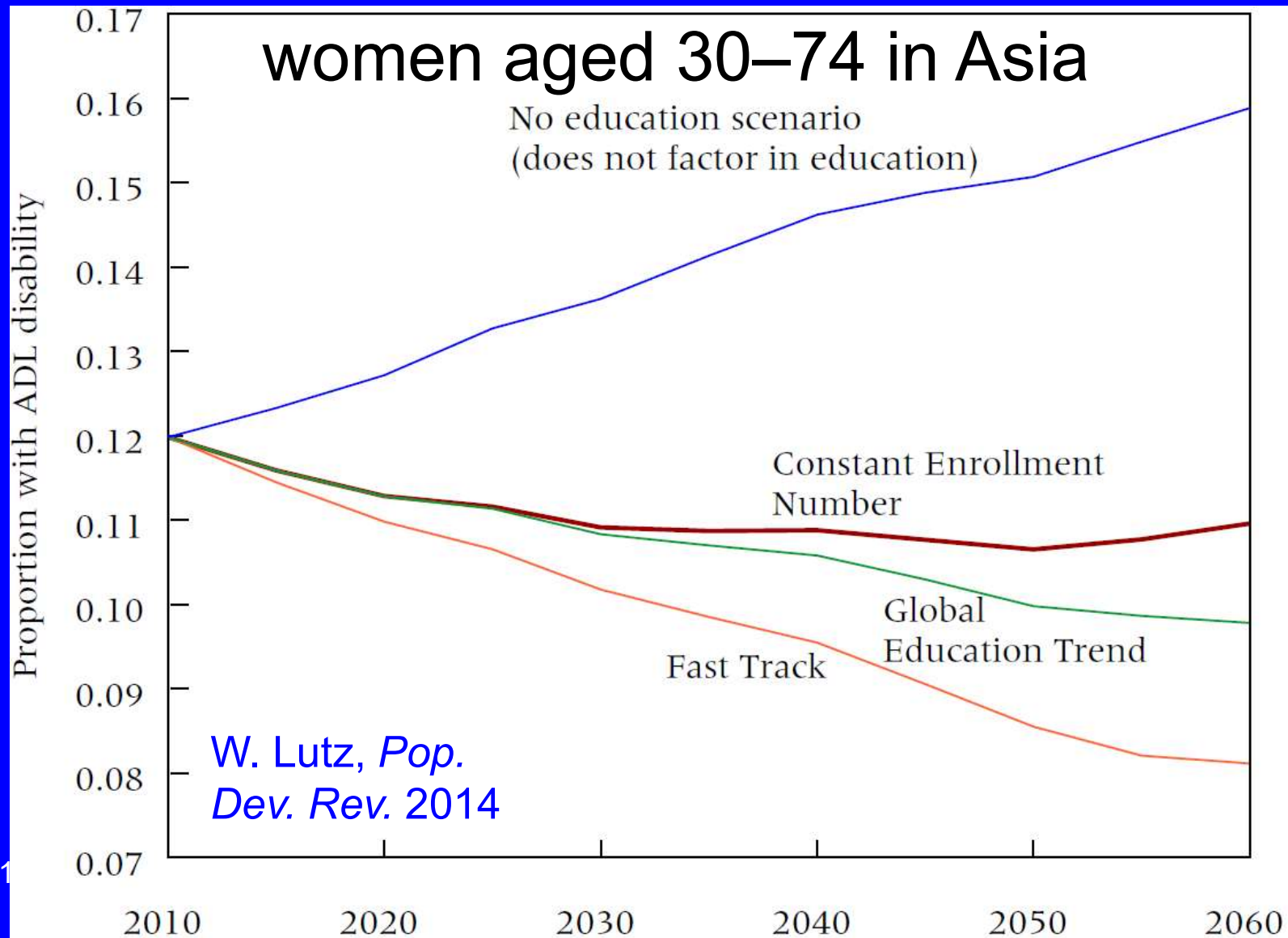
Policy perspective:
Future population growth
depends on what we do now.

3 scenarios for education & population growth

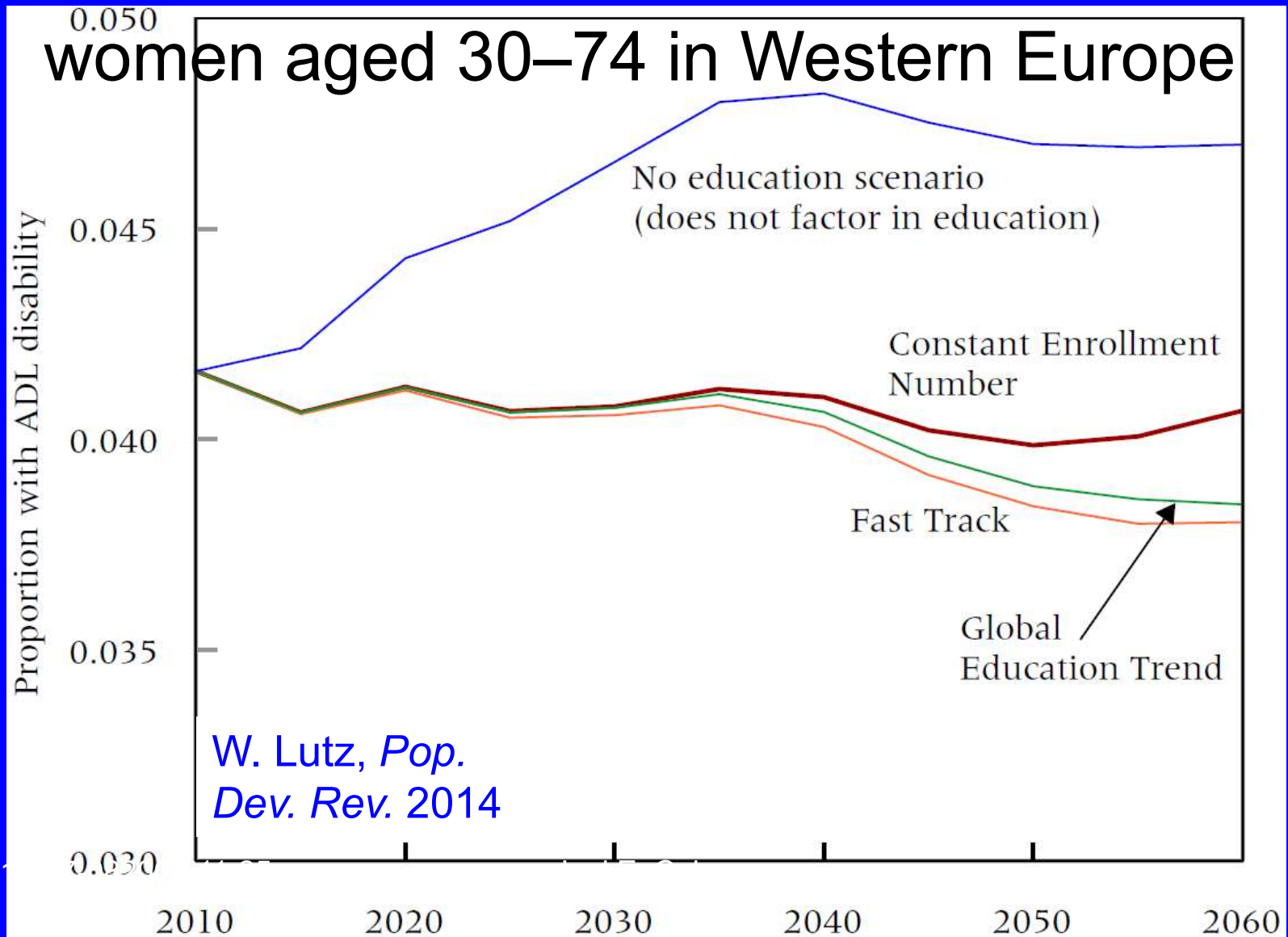


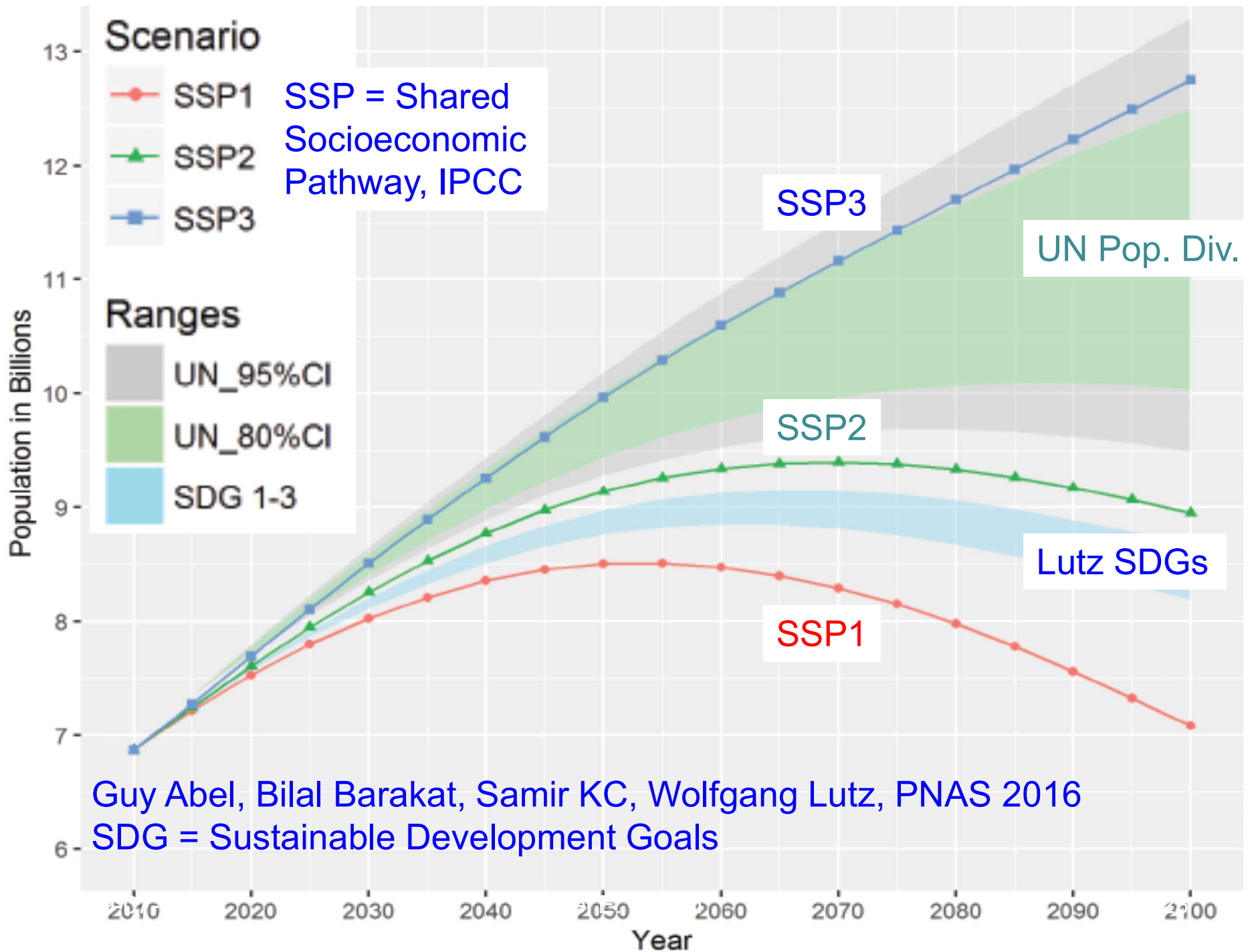
W. Lutz, *Pop. Dev. Rev.* 2014

Education reduces disabilities in activities of daily life (ADL).



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Guy Abel, Bilal Barakat, Samir KC, Wolfgang Lutz, PNAS 2016
 SDG = Sustainable Development Goals

Sources of error in predictions

1. Model
2. Initial conditions
3. Future parameters

Toy example: if we predict $P(t) = e^{rt}P(0)$,

1. growth may not be exponential;
2. our estimate of $P(0)$ may be wrong;
3. our assumed future r may be wrong.

How do we know the demographic future?



Curve fitting

Almost any reasonable model works well in short term.

No known curve-fitting model works well in long term.

Models of increase per person

Let $P(t)$ = population size at time t .

IF rate of change per person $\frac{1}{P(t)} \frac{dP(t)}{dt}$

= constant r , then **exponential**.

= $r(K - P(t))$, then **logistic**.

= $r \cdot P(t)^s$, $s > 0$, then
superexponential or “**doomsday**”

(infinite singularity in finite time).

Exponential model

Benjamin Franklin (1706–1790), *Observations Concerning the Increase of Mankind, Peopling of Countries, etc.* (1751, published 1755)

Population of the English colonies had a doubling time of ~25 years.

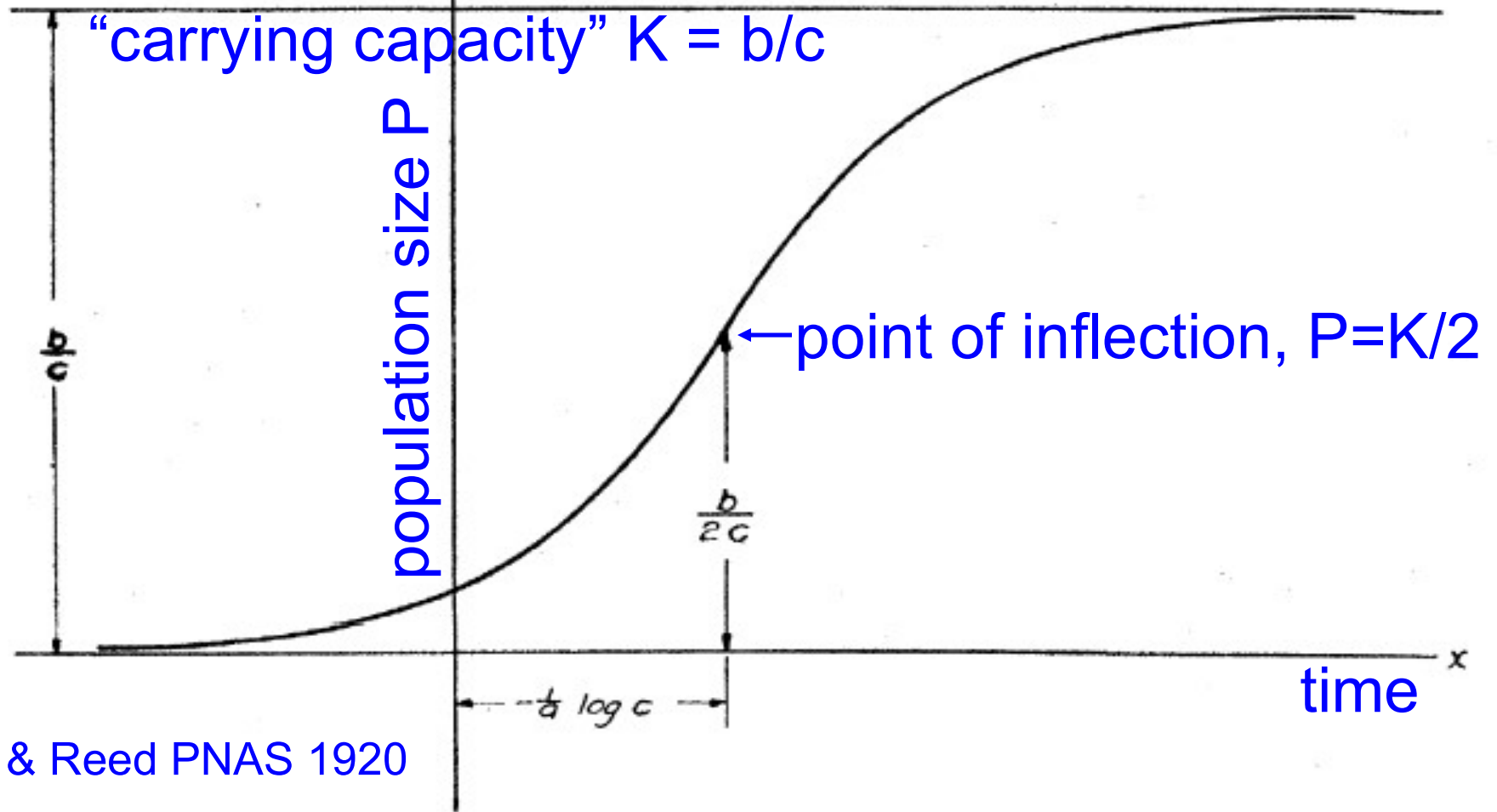
Thomas Robert Malthus (1766-1834), *An Essay on the Principle of Population*. (1798 1st edition, 1803-25, 2d-6th editions.)

Population grows “geometrically”, subsistence linearly in time.

Logistic model solves $dP/dt = [r(K-P)]P$.

$$y = \frac{b}{e^{-ax} + c}$$

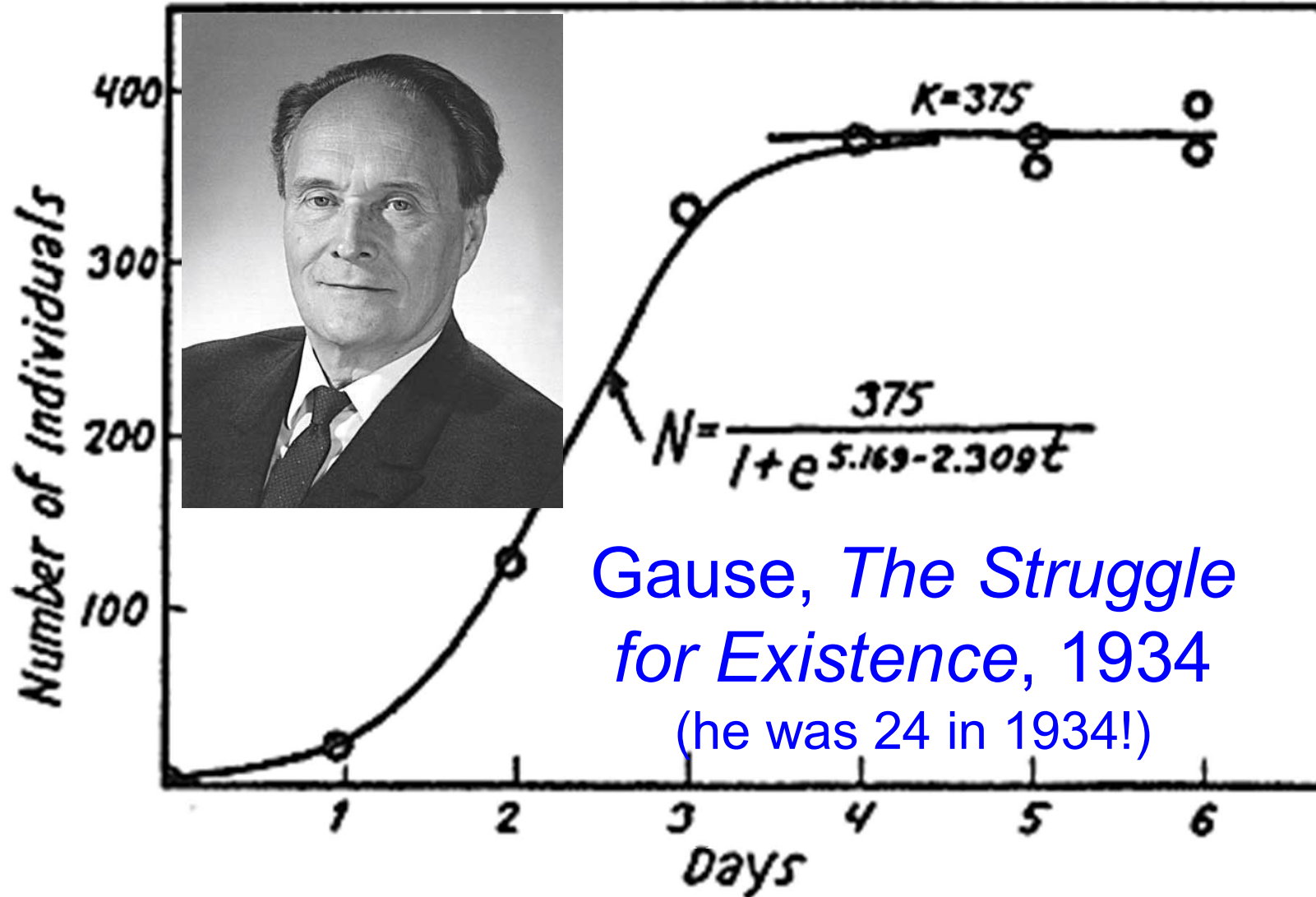
Pierre-François Verhulst
(1804-1849), 1838, 1845



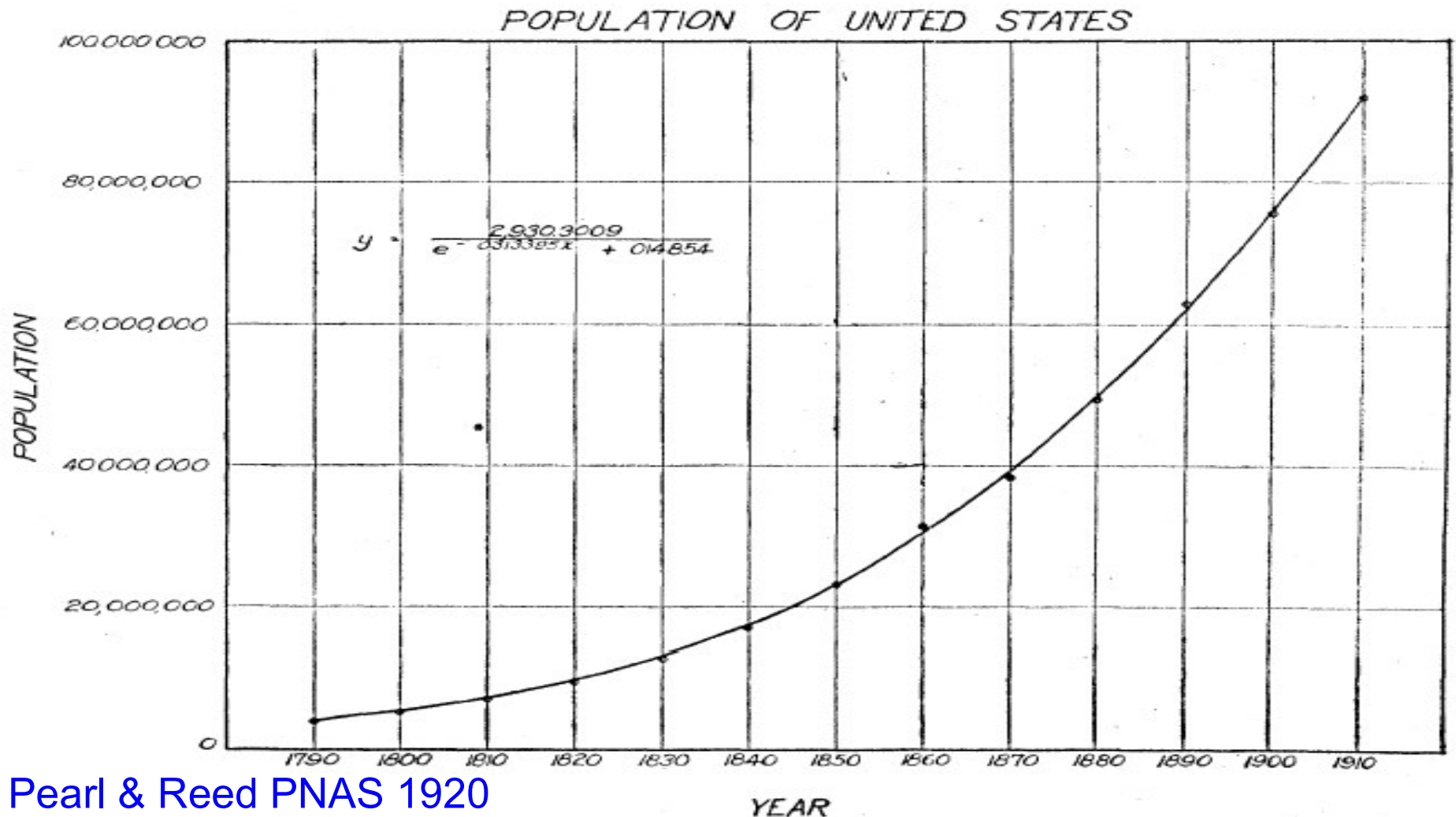
Pearl & Reed PNAS 1920

Paramecium caudatum

Gause Georgiy Frantsevitch 1910-1986



Logistic curve fitted U.S. population 1790-1910 very well in 1920.



Pearl & Reed PNAS 1920

Logistic predicted U.S. censuses 1920, 1930, 1940.

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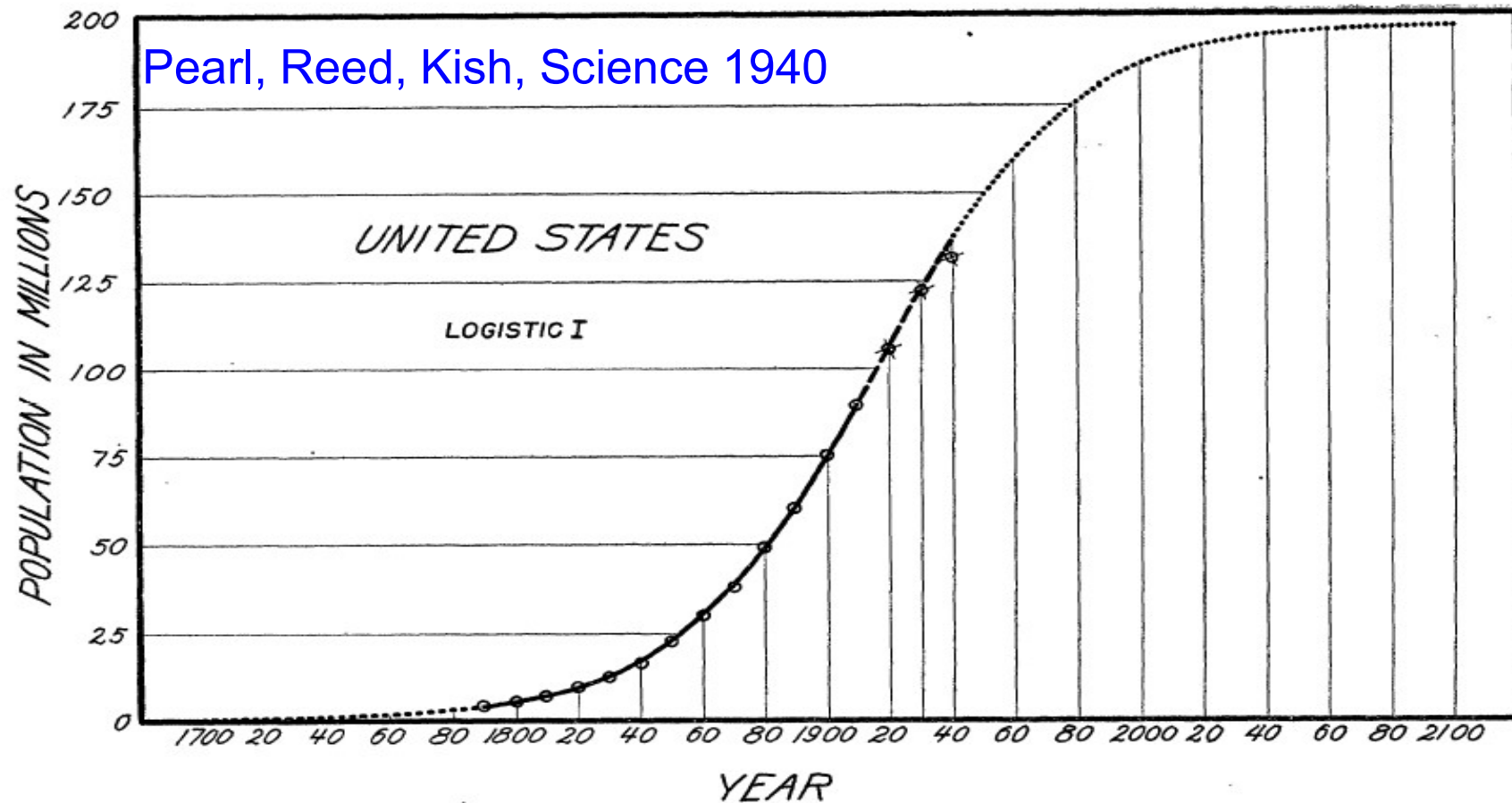
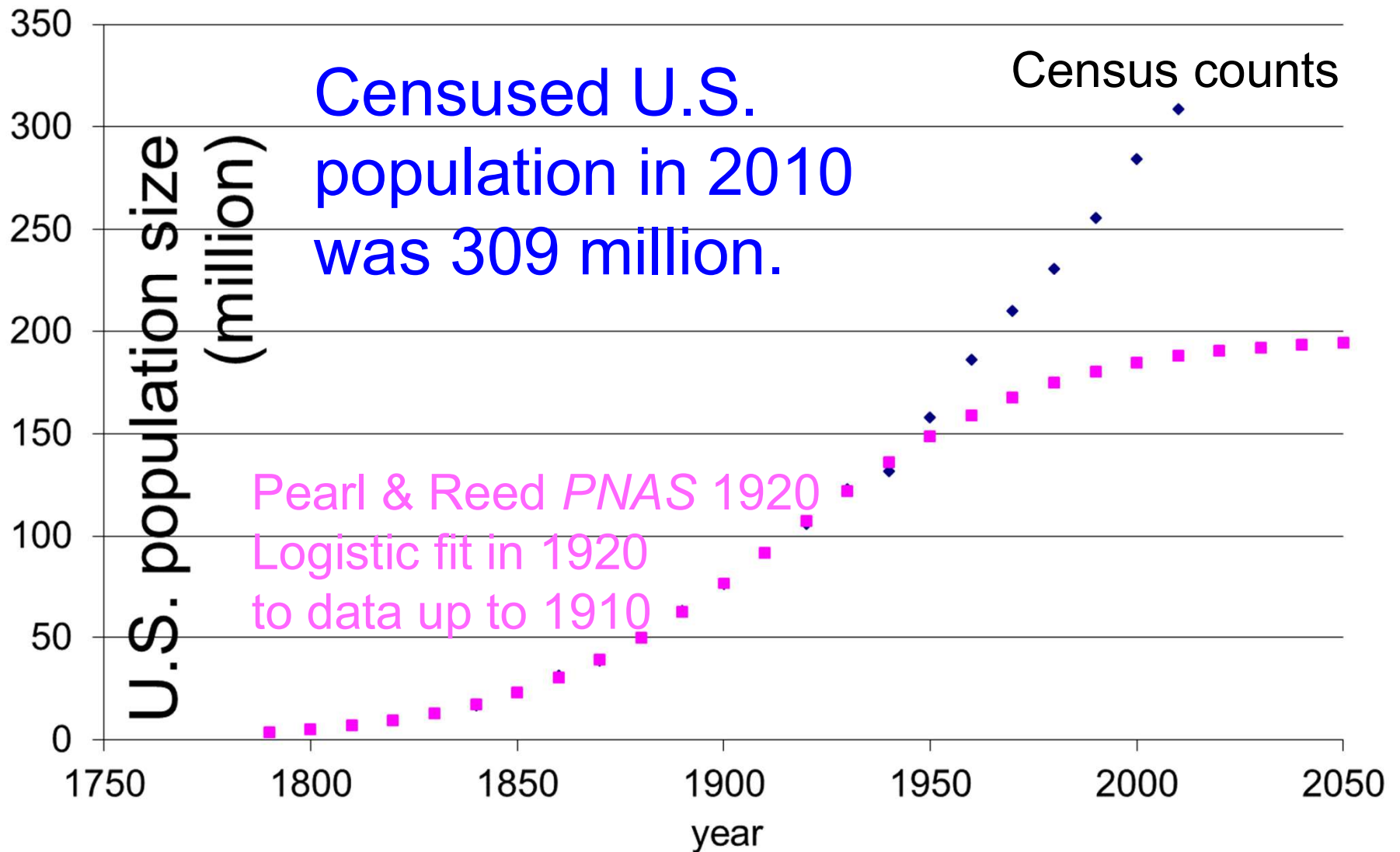


FIG. 1. The census counts of the population of the United States from 1790 to 1940, inclusive (given by circles). The smooth curve is the logistic of equation (1) fitted to the census counts from 1790 to 1910 inclusive. The broken lines show the extrapolation of the curve beyond the data to which it was fitted. The dash portion from 1910 to 1940 is the part of the extrapolation which has been tested by census counts (crossed circles) which have been made since the logistic was originally fitted. The dotted line shows the further extrapolation of the same curve.

Logistic predicted maximum U.S. population would be 197,274,000.



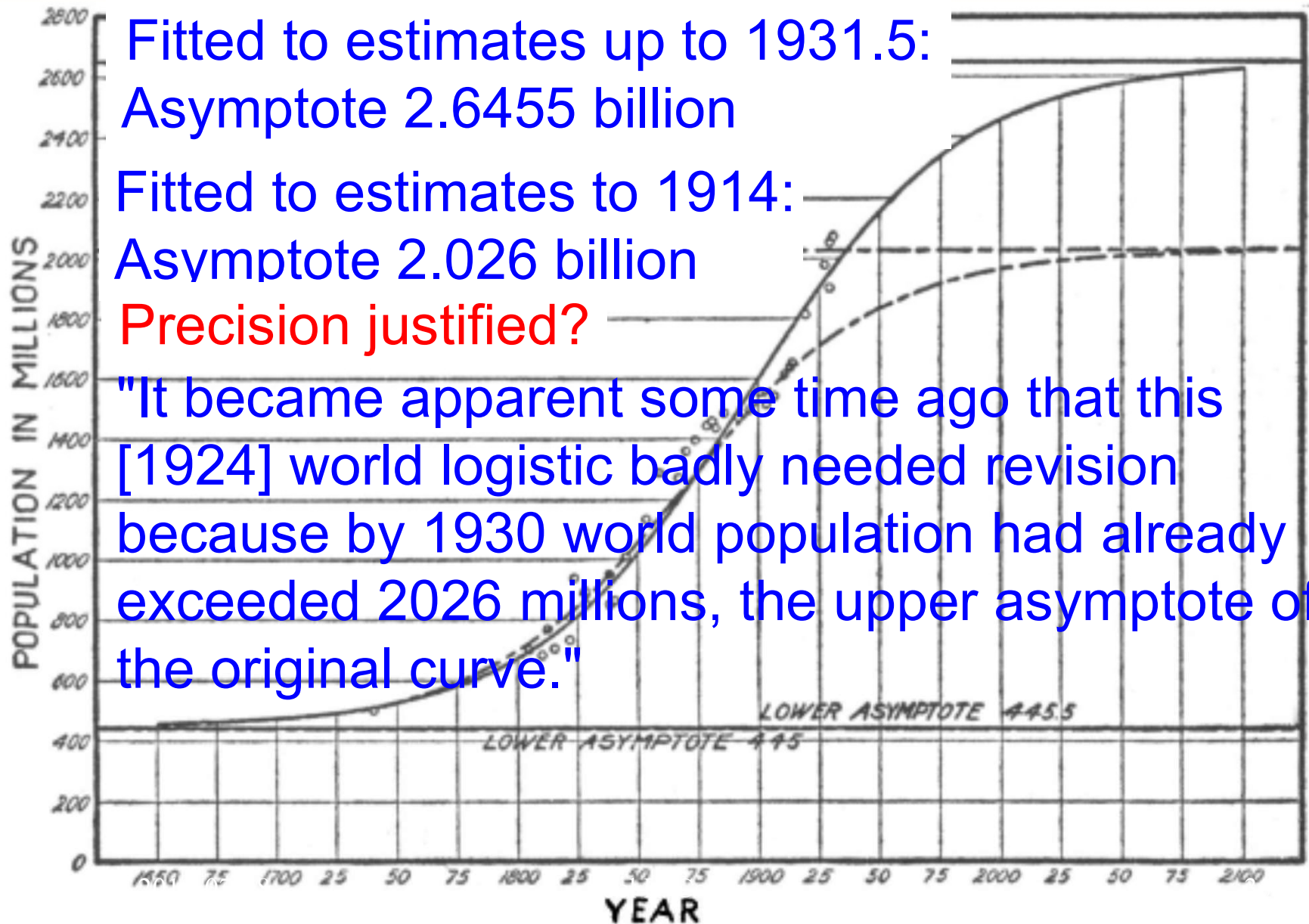
World population growth according to Pearl

Pearl, *Studies in Human Biology*, 1924
predicted world population would never
exceed 2.026 billion.

World population passed 2 billion around
1927-1930.

If countries grow logistically, then global
population (their sum) does not.

"World Population Growth," Pearl & Gould 1936



"World population growth"

Pearl & Gould *Human Biology* 1936

"A logistic curve fitted to the data on world population growth leads to an upper asymptotic value for the present cycle of 2,645.5 million, rather closely approached by about 2100 A. D."

"We wish to emphasize again that we have no inside information as to whether the asymptote ... will reasonably accord with reality in the year 2100, and are not to be understood as advocating its absolute validity or significance."

Superexponential model

von Foerster et al. 1960

Suppose $\frac{1}{P(t)} \frac{dP(t)}{dt} = rP(t)^s, s > 0.$

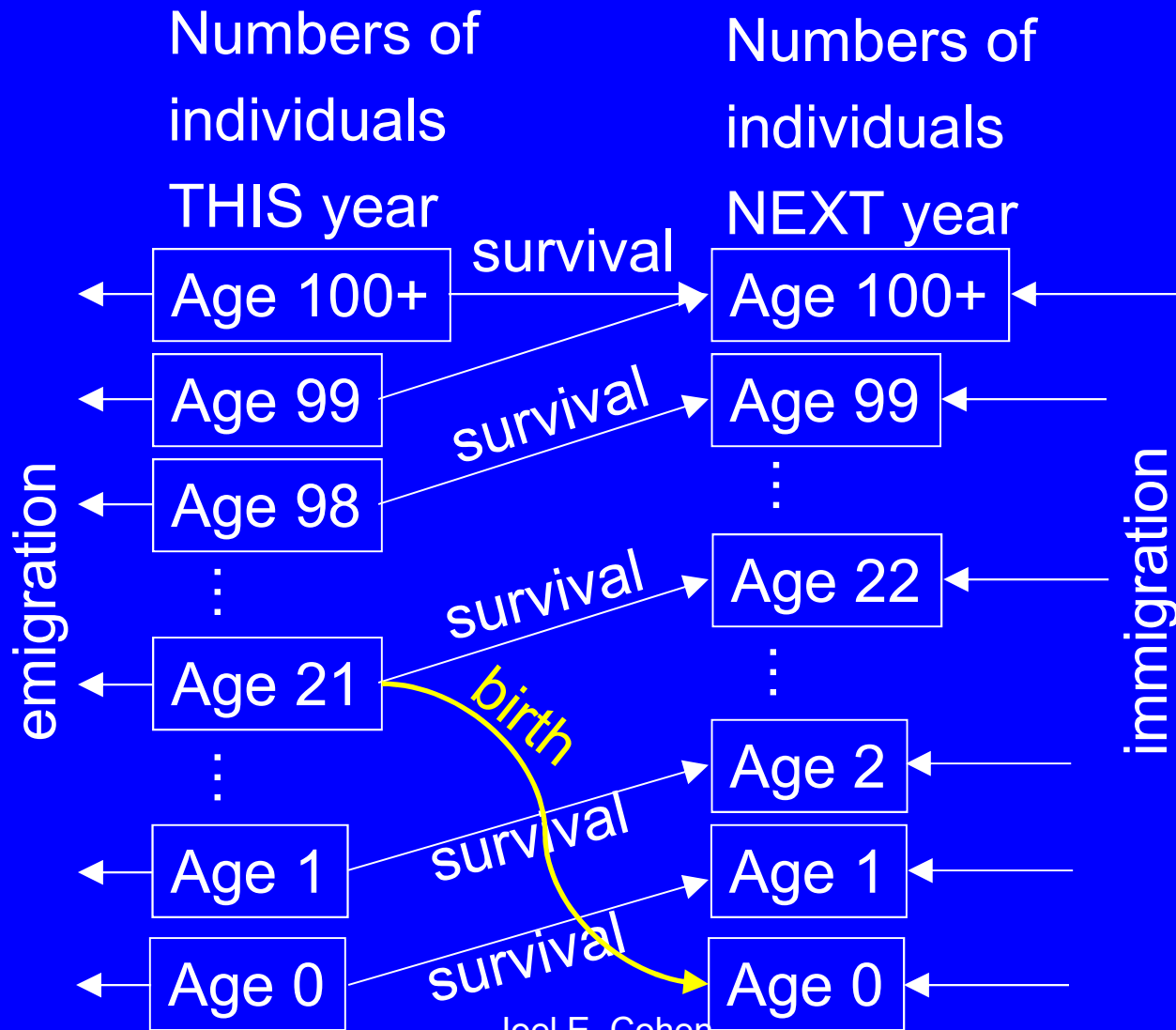
At a **finite** time, called “Doomsday,” population size goes to infinity.

From historical data of human population size, von Foerster et al. estimated $s = 1$,
Doomsday = Friday, 13 November 2026.

World population growth rate declined after 1965.

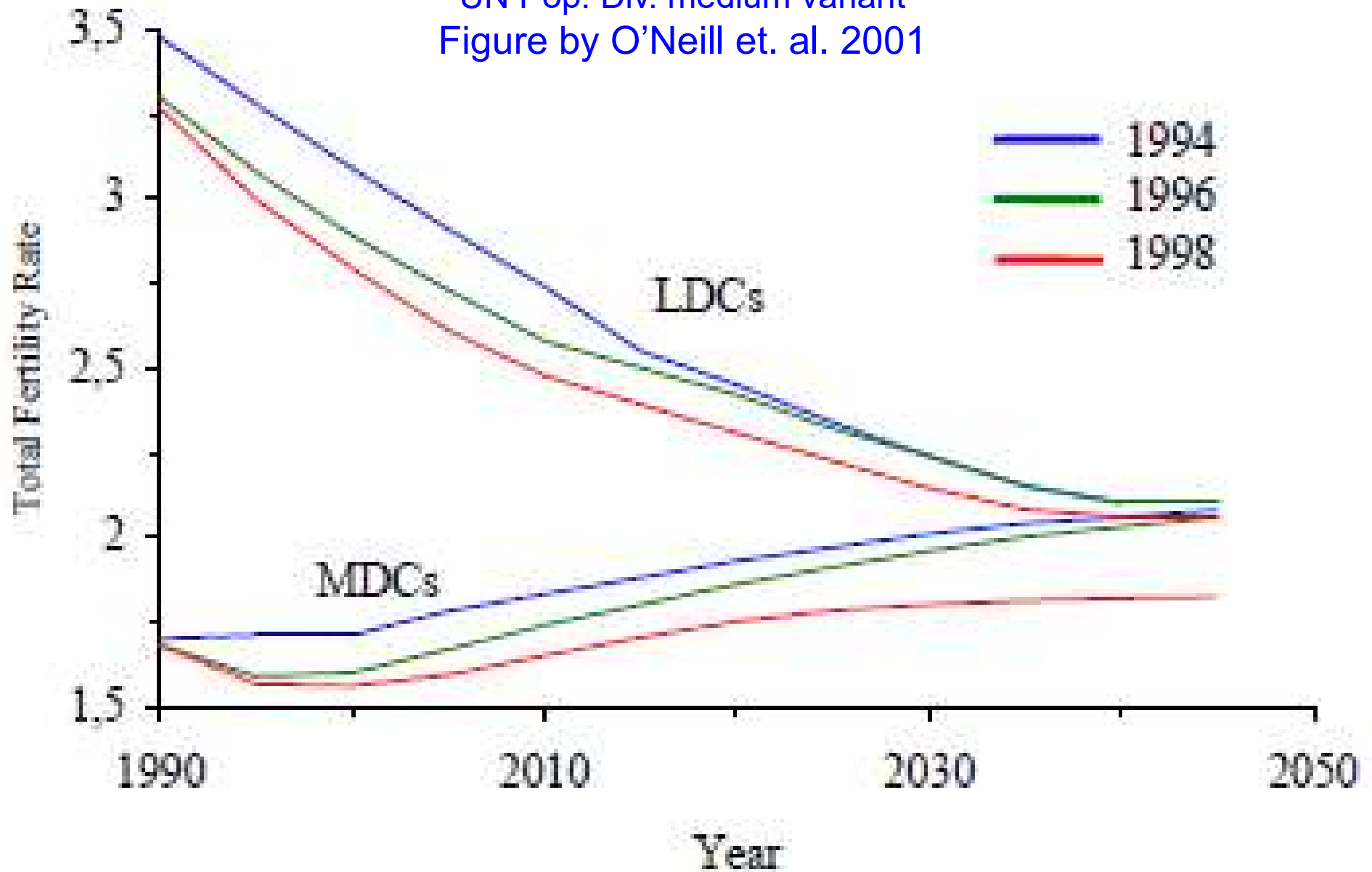
Cohort-component projection

Edward Cannan 1895



Projected total fertility rates changed.

UN Pop. Div. medium variant
Figure by O'Neill et. al. 2001



Matrix representation (no migration)

Bernadelli 1941, Leslie 1945, 1948, 1959

$$\begin{pmatrix} N_1(t + \Delta t) \\ N_2(t + \Delta t) \\ N_3(t + \Delta t) \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} b_1 & b_2 & b_3 \\ s_1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & s_2 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \times \begin{pmatrix} N_1(t) \\ N_2(t) \\ N_3(t) \end{pmatrix}$$

$$N(t + \Delta t) = M \cdot N(t)$$

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{t} \log ||N(t)|| = \lambda(M)$$

“Stable age structure” is the unique (positive) eigenvector \mathbf{x} corresponding to “dominant eigenvalue” $\lambda(M)$:

$$M \cdot \mathbf{x} = \lambda(M) \cdot \mathbf{x}$$

Matrix representation with migration & changing vital rates

$$N(t + \Delta t) = M(t) \cdot N(t) + a(t),$$

$$a(t) = \begin{pmatrix} a_1(t) \\ a_2(t) \\ a_3(t) \end{pmatrix}.$$

$M(t)$ represents natural increase (birth, death). $a(t)$ represents net migration (immigration, emigration).

How to predict their future elements?

Bayesian hierarchical modeling of cohort-component rates

Used in UN Pop. Div. *World Population Prospects 2012, 2015, 2017* (base year 2015).

Future rates used Bayesian hierarchical projections of TFR, life expectancy at birth & net migrants based on auto-regressive models. 10,000 simulations per country with inter-country correlations gave confidence intervals for countries & regions. Projections were adjusted by hand for plausibility.

UN Pop.Div., *WPP 2017 Rev., Methodology*

What do projections assume?

Business as usual: no more nor fewer surprises in the future than in the past; no nuclear war, lethal pandemics, climatic catastrophes, comet impacts.

Specific trajectories of

fertility (TFR): continued slow decline

how fast? where? to what limit(s), if any?

mortality ($e_0(0)$): gradually lengthening life

how fast? where? to what limit(s), if any?

migration (net): limited & decreasing.

Overall: demographic parameters of different countries become more similar.

How good were past projections?

Some past methods of population projection have been abandoned due to conspicuous failures (e.g., exponential, logistic models).

Cohort-component method was first used in 1895 & has been refined since then.

For target year 2000, cohort-component projections made during 1940-2000 initially underestimated, then overestimated, then straddled estimated 2000 population size.

Projections of details (population sizes of individual countries, age structures, urbanization) were less successful.

Projections rest on limited demographic understanding of:

Fertility

Migration

Urbanization

Households

Families

Spatial distribution

Roles of policy

Uncertainty



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Inputs to projections

fertility

mortality

migration

 rural to urban

 internal

 international

 neighboring

 long-distance

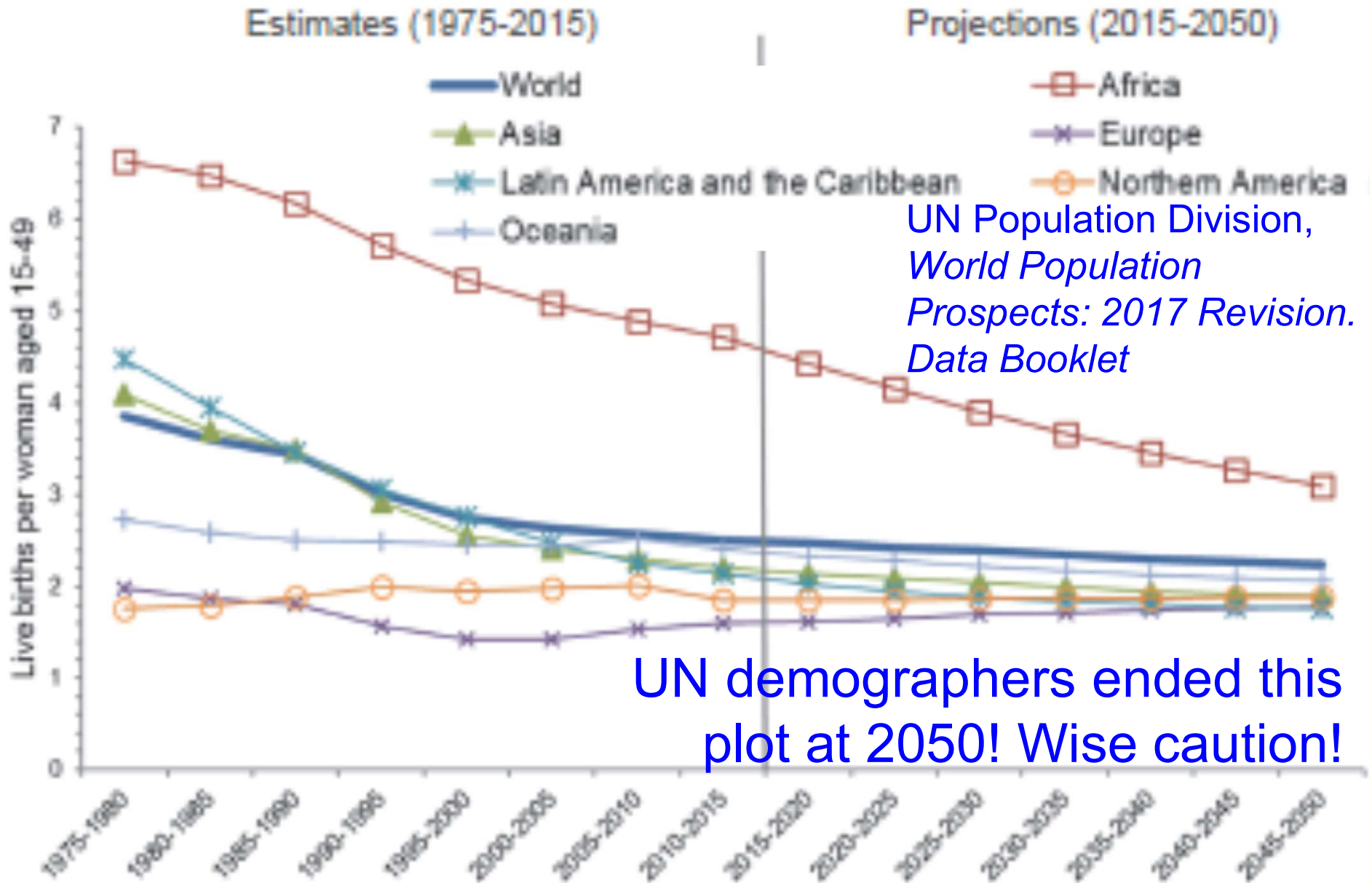
Global fertility will fall.

2020-2025: $>1/2$ of people will live in a country where women will have, on average, TFR <2.1 births over a lifetime.

By 2030, $\sim 2/3$ of people will live in countries where fertility lies below the replacement level (TFR < 2.1).

UN Pop. Div., World Population Prospects: The 2017 Revision

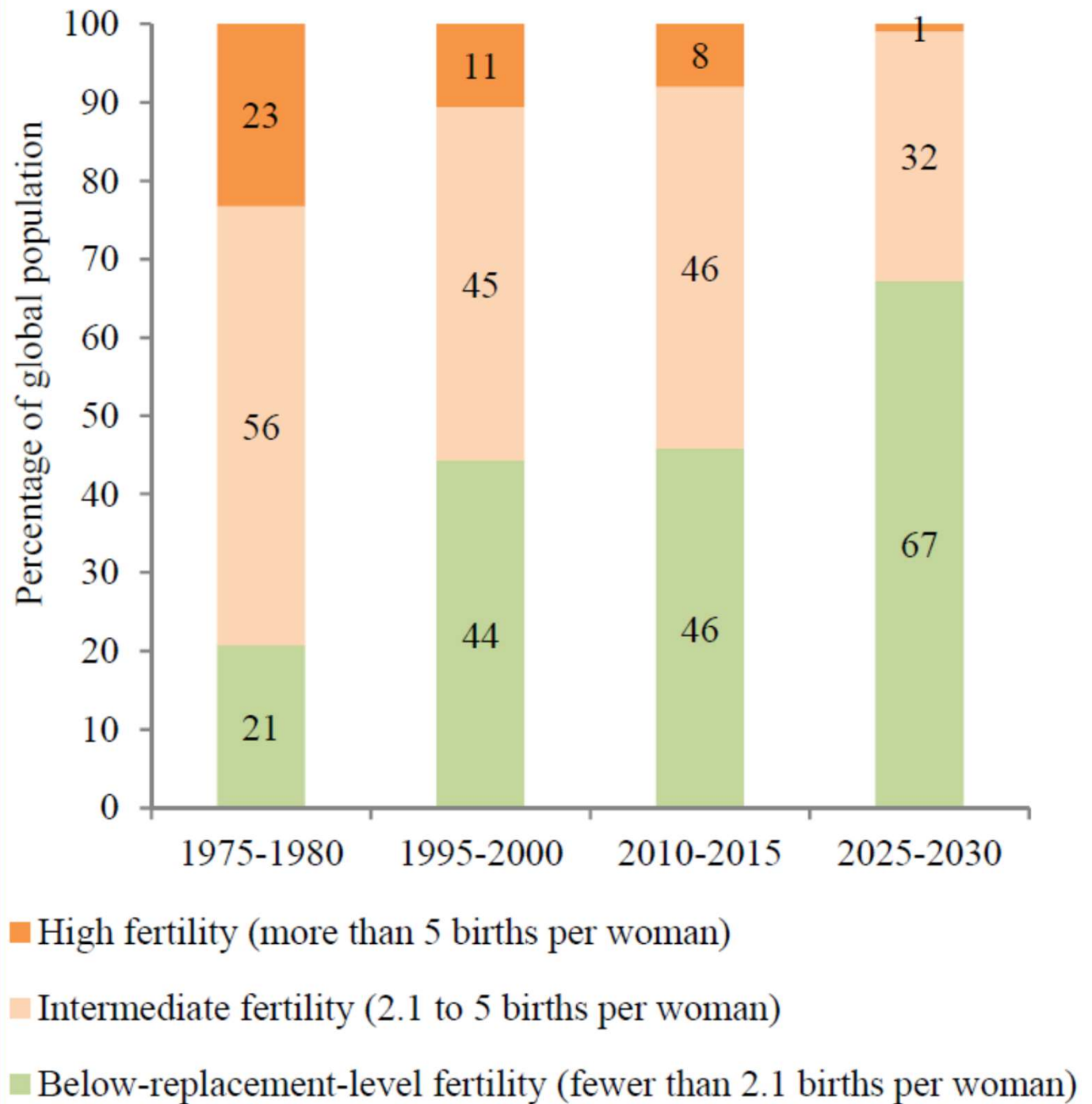
Projected total fertility rates fall.



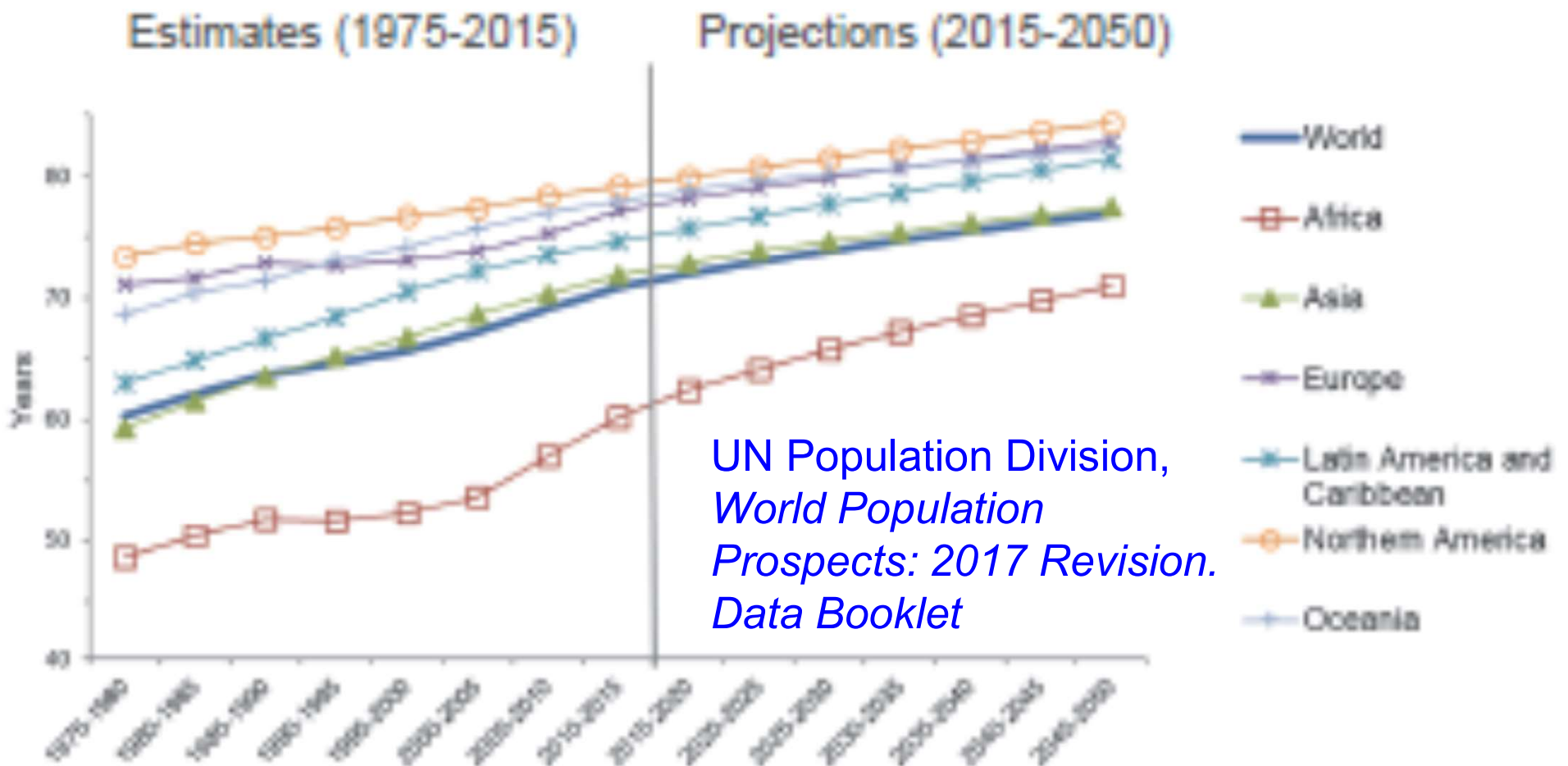
High fertility will be rare (<1% with TFR>5).

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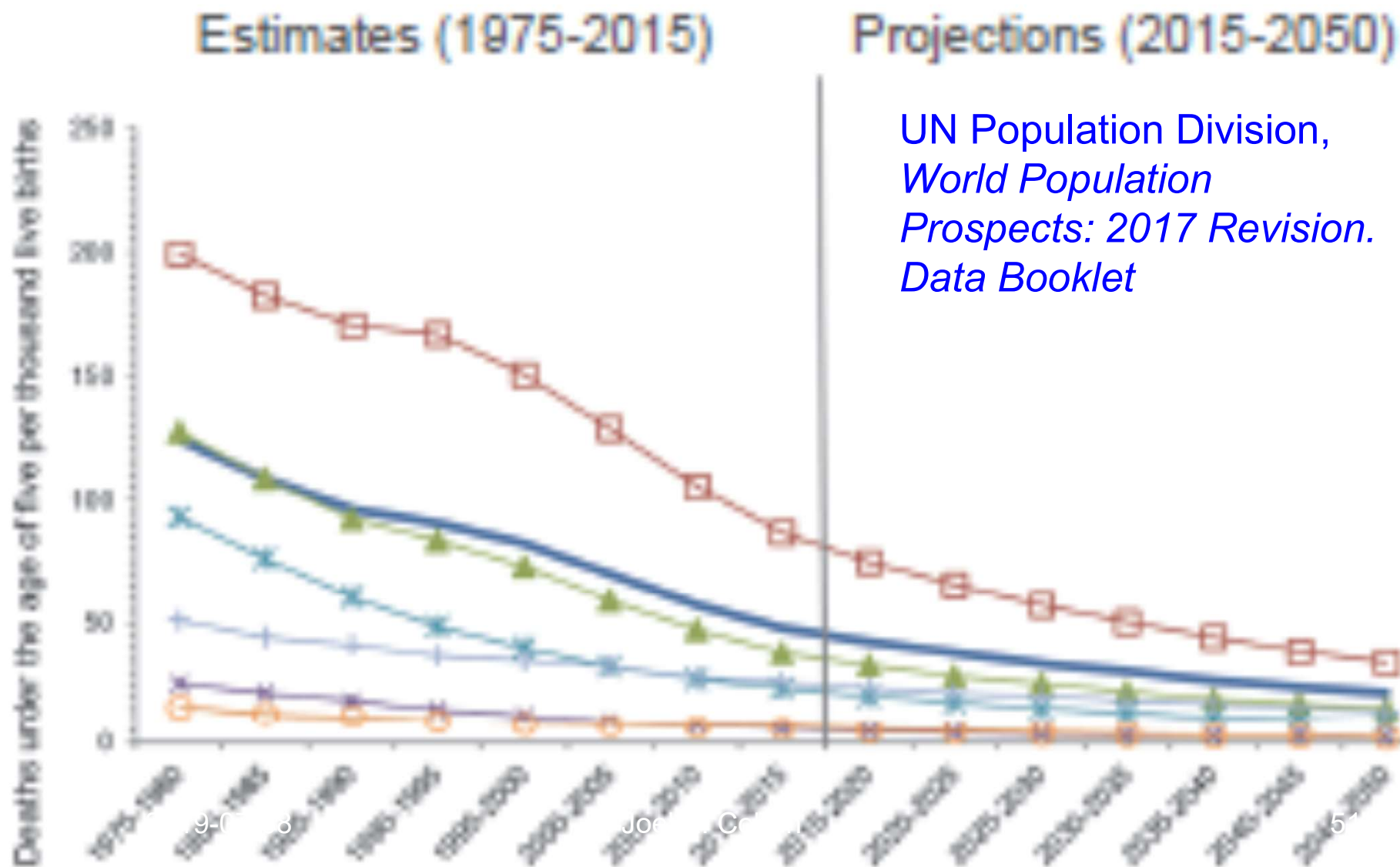
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Life expectancy at birth for the world & major areas is projected to rise smoothly, 1975-2050.



Deaths before age 5 per 1000 live births fell & will continue to fall.



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Future population trends



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Outputs of projections

population size

geographic distribution

cities

age structure

migration

education

Demography 2000-2050 simplified

Year 2000: 6.1 billion people

Rural 3 billion	Urban 3 billion
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Year 2050: 9.4-10.2 billion people

Rural 3 billion	Urban 6-7 billion
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All added people will be in cities of poor countries. Urban growth will be higher 2015-2030 where higher % of urban people now live in slums.

Population will be:

Bigger: 7.5-7.7B in 2019 → 8.6B in 2030 →
9.4-10.2B in 2050 → 11.2B in 2100

3.9B growth in cities of poorer countries.

Slower: population growth may or may not
end before doubling, depending.

Older: 2B people 60+ years will match 2B
children 0-14 years.

More urban: virtually all population growth
will be in cities of poorer countries.

Rural population will peak around 3B.

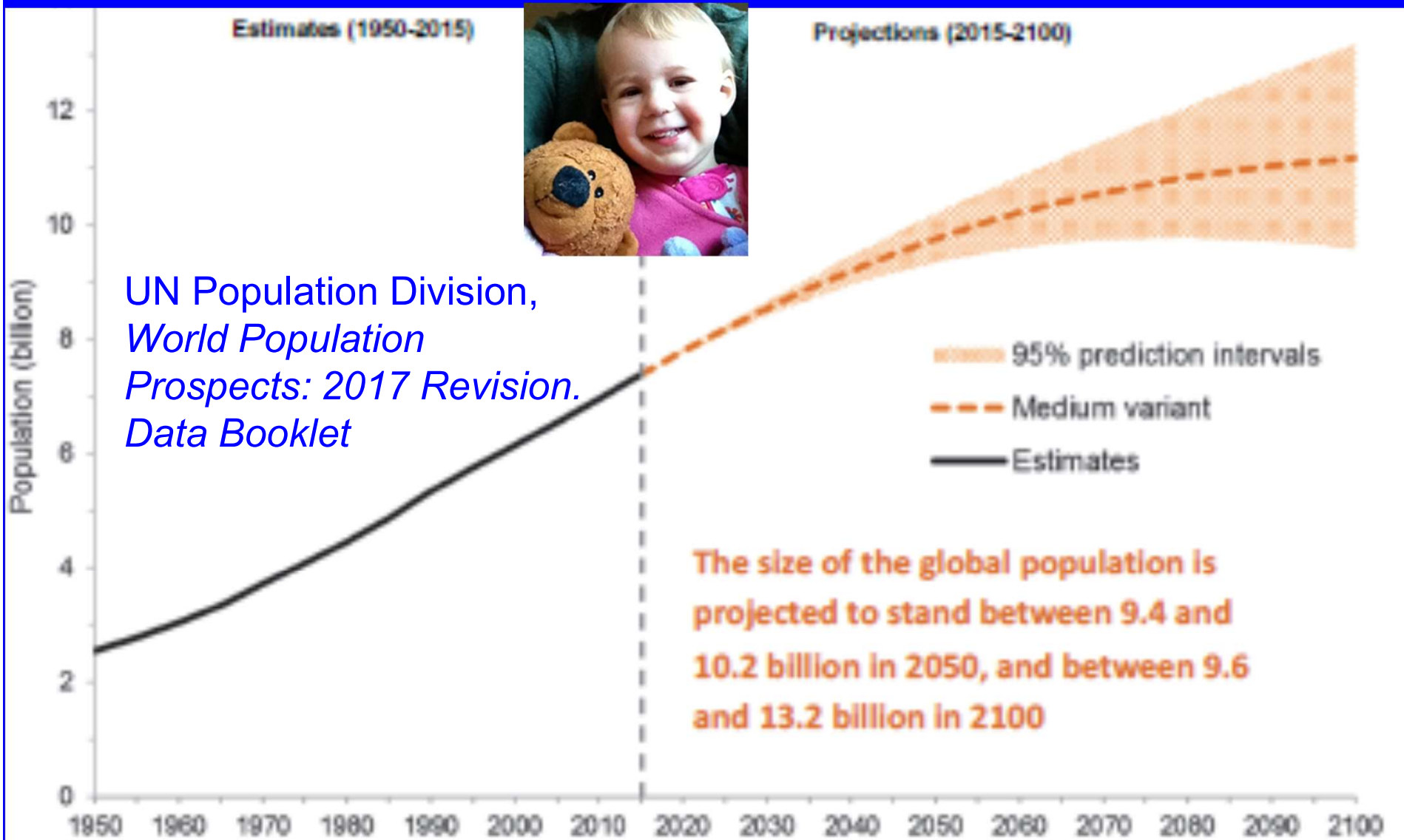
Less predictable: migration, households, families

Population growth will be concentrated in a few countries.

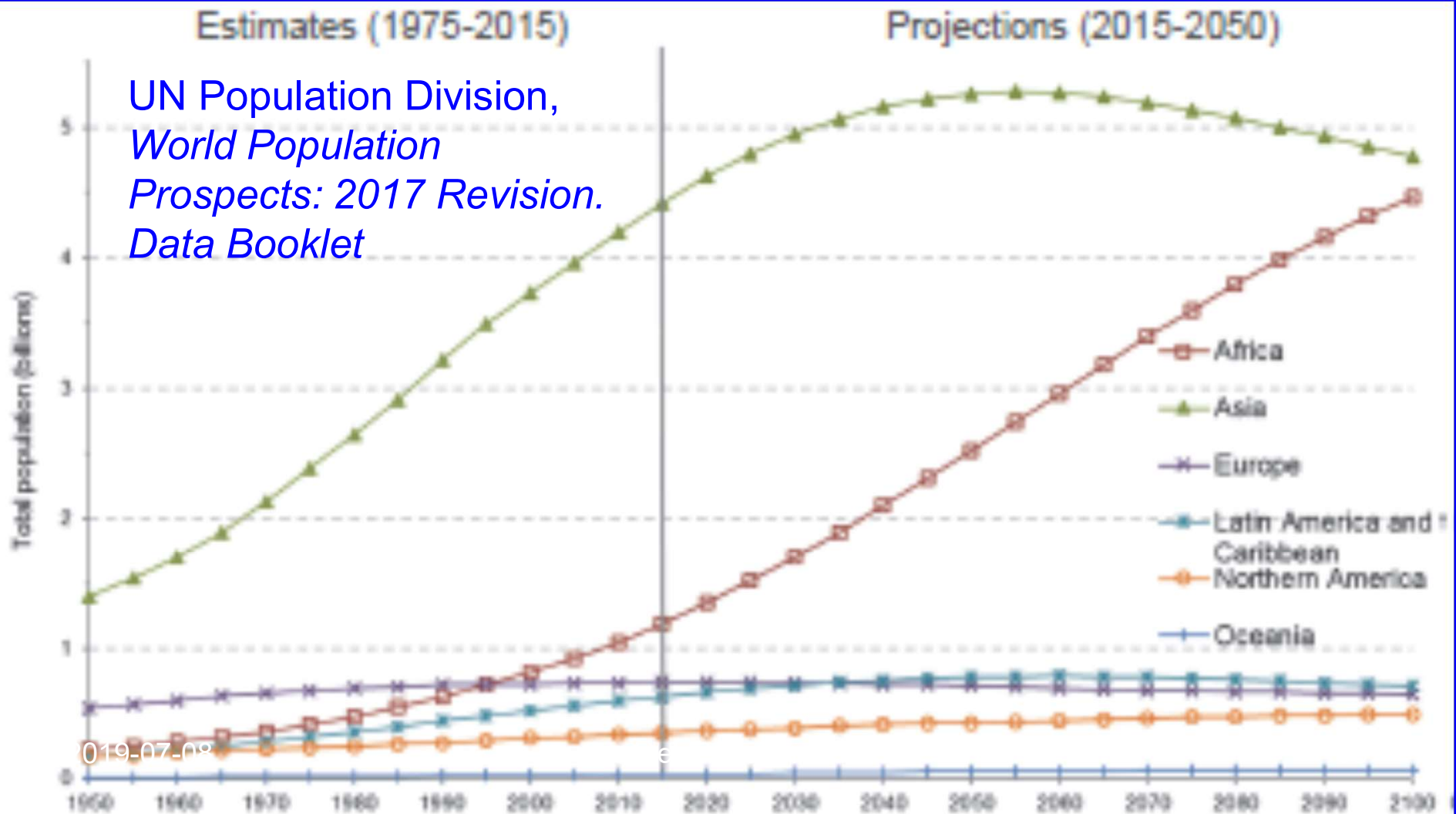
“From 2017 to 2050, ... half of the world’s population growth will be concentrated in just nine countries: India, Nigeria, the Democratic Republic of the Congo, Pakistan, Ethiopia, the United Republic of Tanzania, the United States of America, Uganda and Indonesia (ordered by their expected contribution to total growth).”

UN Pop. Div. World Population Prospects: The 2017 Revision

World population



Africa's population will nearly match Asia's by 2100.



Ten most populous countries

UN, *World Population Prospects 2017 Data Booklet*

Rank	Country	2017 population (millions)	Country	2050 population (millions)
1	China	1410	India	1659
2	India	1339	China	1364
3	United States of America	324	Nigeria	411
4	Indonesia	264	United States of America	390
5	Brazil	209	Indonesia	322
6	Pakistan	197	Pakistan	307
7	Nigeria	191	Brazil	233
8	Bangladesh	165	Bangladesh	202
9	Russian Federation	144	Dem. Rep. of the Congo	197
10	Mexico	129	Ethiopia	191

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Health implications

An increasing fraction of people will live in regions with least resources to monitor, prevent, & manage diseases.

Most births will occur to mothers in countries with largest excess maternal mortality.

Preventable childhood malnutrition & diseases will have largest long-term impacts in poor countries.

Bangalore, India JEC photo

Billions more people will live in
cities of poor countries.



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More urban:

Virtually all population growth
will be in cities of poorer
countries.

World Urbanization Prospects: The 2018 Revision

World's urban population will grow by 2.5 billion 2018-2050.

Of this growth, 90% will be in Asia & Africa.

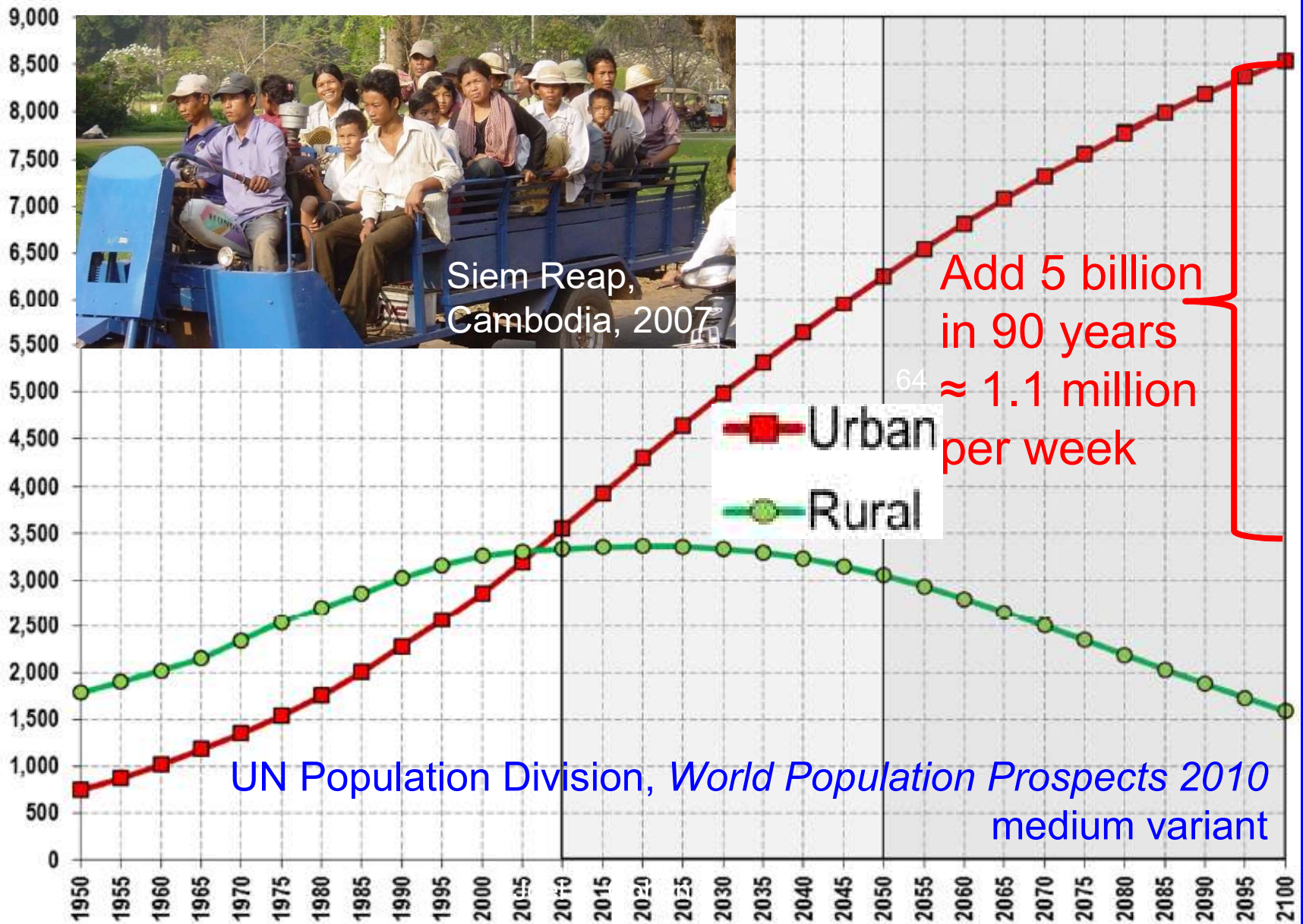
Three countries have 35% of the increase in global urban population: India (416 million), China (255 million), Nigeria (189 million).

By 2030, world will have 43 megacities (more than 10 million people), most in developing countries.



World: **Urban** and **rural** Population: 2010-2100

United Nations Department of Economic and Social Affairs – Population Division



Source: United Nations, Department of Economic and Social Affairs, Population Division (2012): *World Urbanization Prospects, the 2011 Revision*. New York

What is missing from this list?

K. Farrell, *Sustainability* 9, 2017, p. 17:

“...this paper asserts that rapid urban growth can only be understood when it is framed as a multidisciplinary process comprising **demographic, economic** and **political** factors, each of which dynamically interact as a result of different stages of the urban transition.”

By contrast, UN, WUP 2018: "Urban growth is closely related to the three dimensions of sustainable development: economic, social and environmental."

Health implications

Clean water, sewage & solid waste removal are easier per person in cities than in dispersed rural communities.

Medical expertise is easier to collect in cities.

Failures in systems for water, sewage & solid waste removal affect more people in cities.

Each 10-fold increase in maximal city size has historically been associated with vulnerability to new infectious diseases, before modern public health knowledge & institutions.

What is "urbanization"?

LEVEL = % of population living in "urban areas," as defined by each country.

PROCESS =

1. Migration from rural to urban areas;
2. Absolute growth in urban population;
3. Urban population growth that is faster than rural population growth = increase in % of population that is urban.

What drives urban growth?

Change in population of an urban area

= natural increase (+ births – deaths)

+ net migration (immigration – emigration)

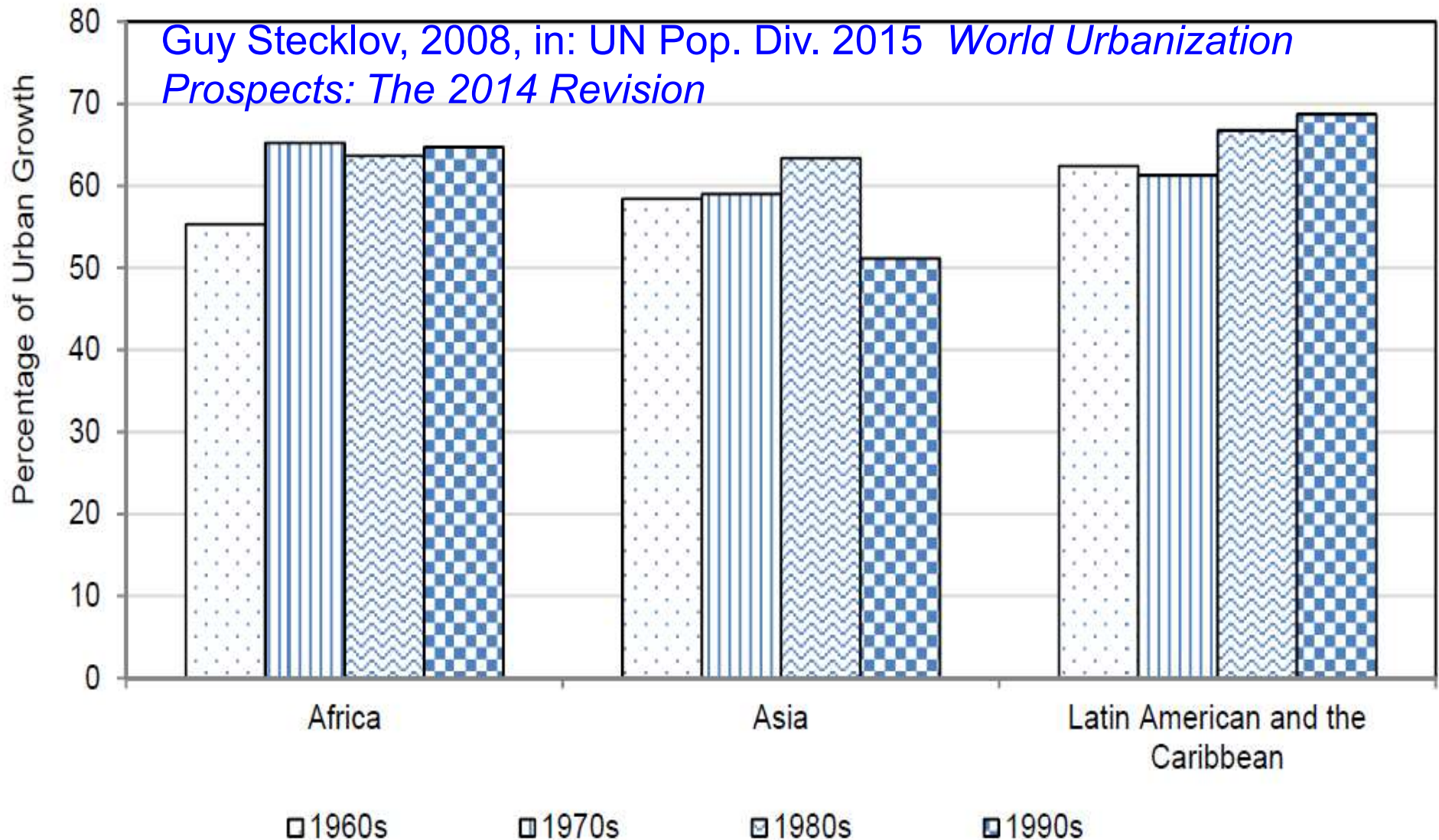
+ annexation + reclassification of rural areas.

In 18th century, urban natural increase was typically negative: cities were sinks.

Today, positive urban natural increase is ~60% urban population growth.

Fertility in cities & migration to cities are both important in growth of urban populations.

% of urban growth due to natural increase varies around 60%.



Cities will grow more by 2050.

UN Pop.Div., World Urbanization
Prospects: 2018 Revision

	1950	2018	2050
Urban population (billions) % of total	0.751 30%	4.2 55%	6.7 68%
Number of cities with ≥10 million people	1	33	43 by 2030
% urban pop. in cities with ≥10 million people	1.6	12	

Urban growth is rapid.

2.4 billion (10^9) more urban people in next
31 years

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1.5 million (10^6) more urban people per
week, every week, for next 31 years.

City growth rate & size 1970-1990 cities >0.5 million

World
Urbanization
Prospects: The
2018 Revision
<https://population.un.org/wup/Maps/>

Growth Rate

< 1%

1-3%

3-5%

5%+

City Population in 2018

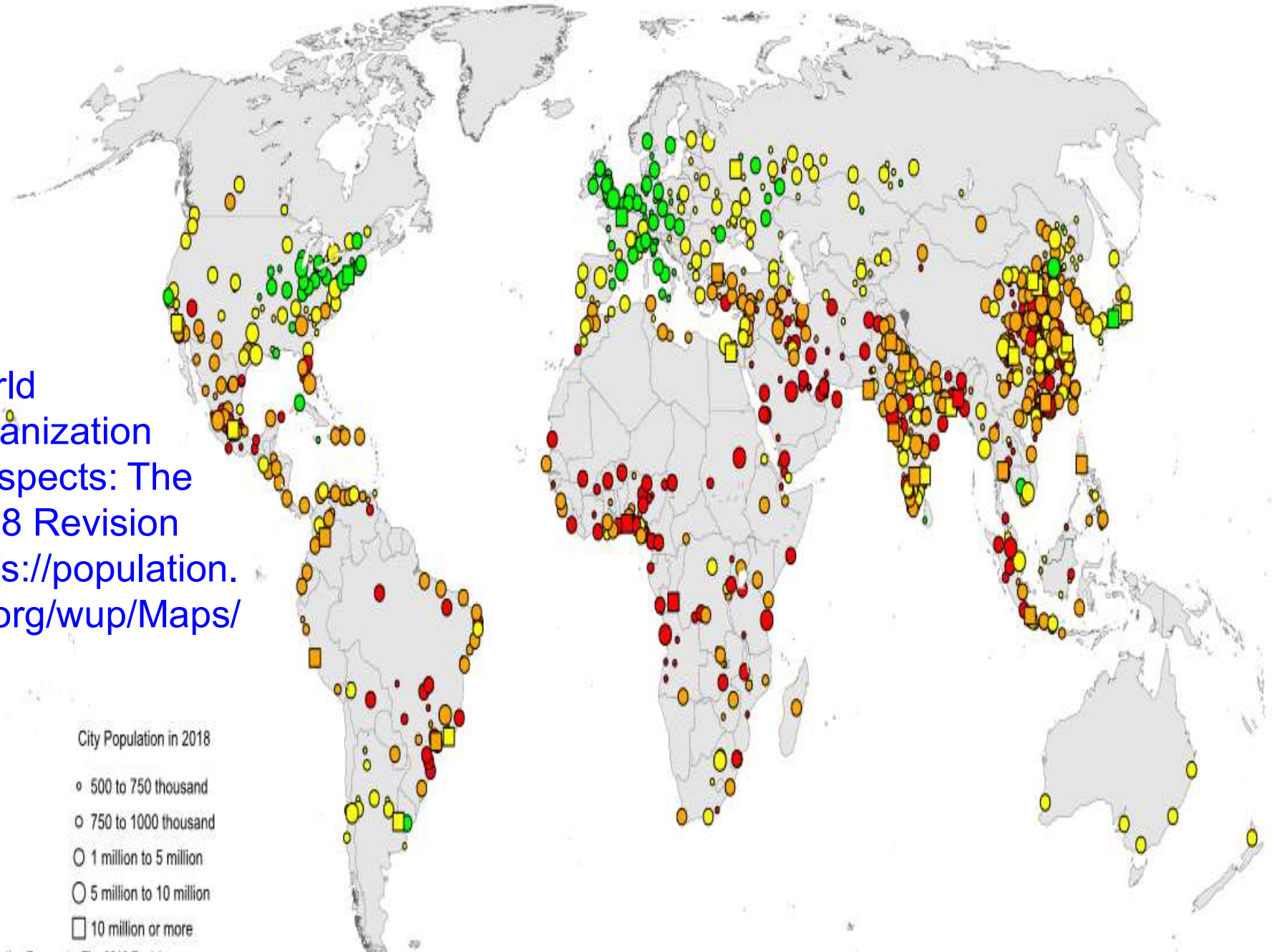
◦ 500 to 750 thousand

◦ 750 to 1000 thousand

○ 1 million to 5 million

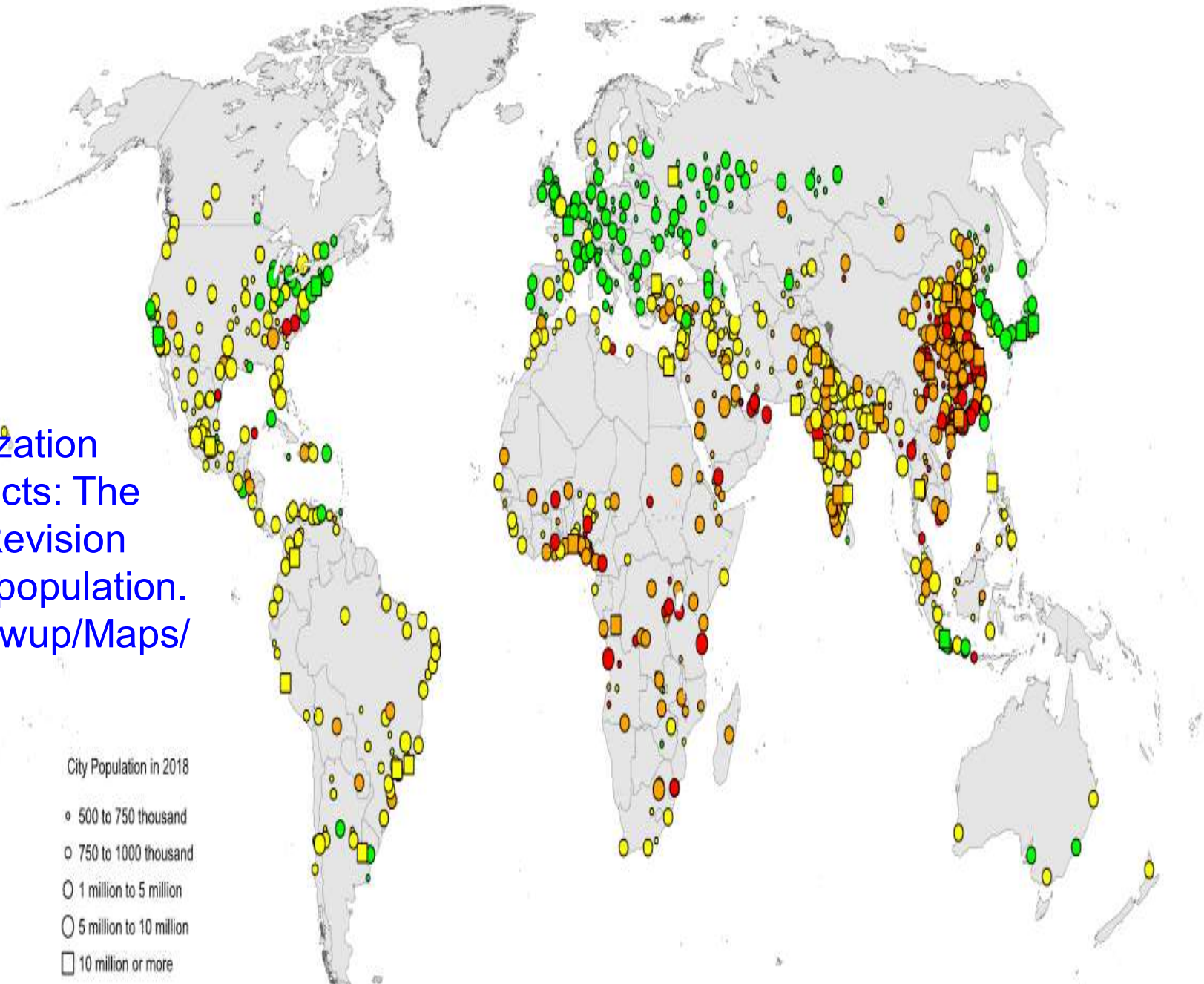
○ 5 million to 10 million

□ 10 million or more



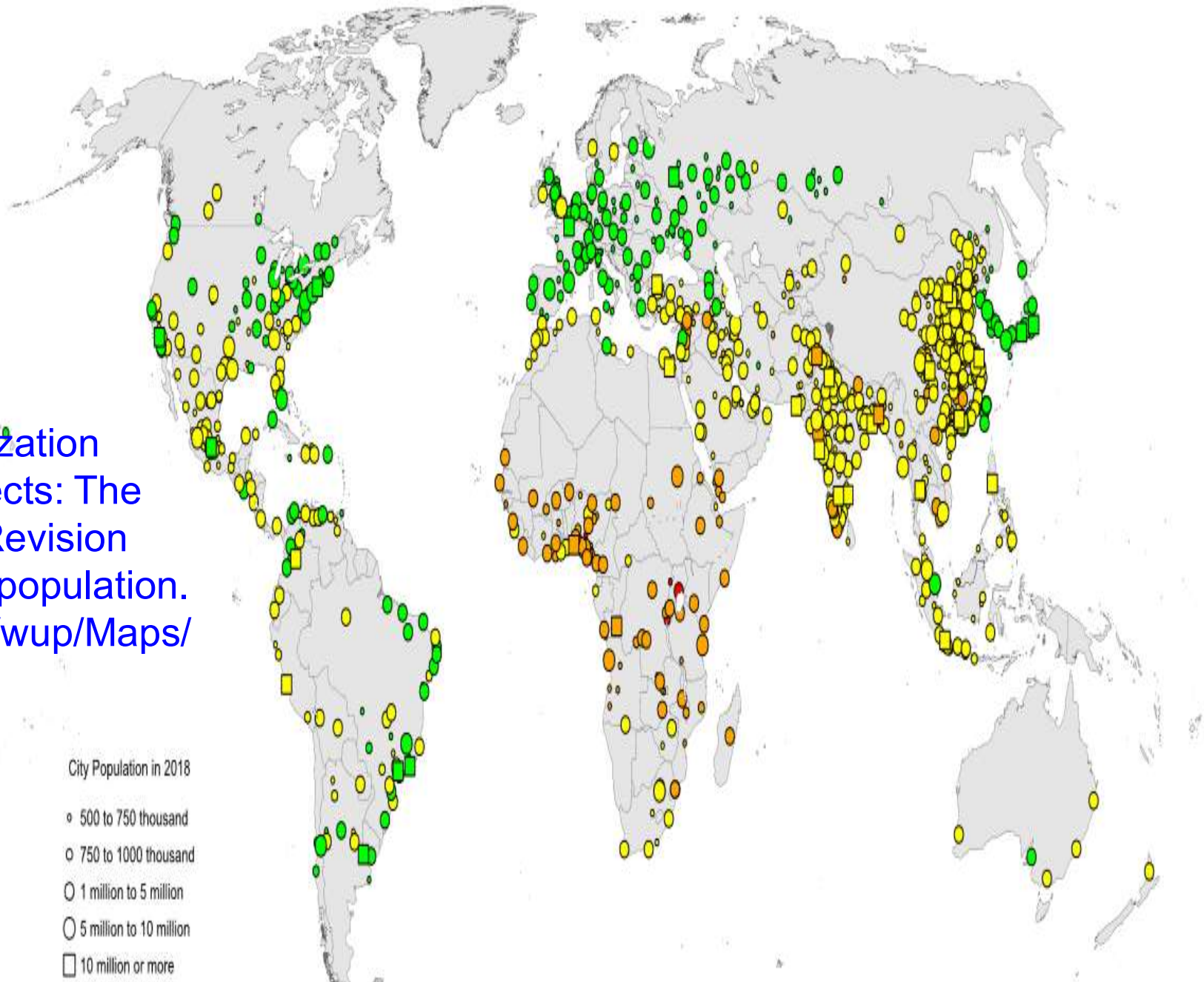
City growth rate & size 1990-2018 cities >0.5 million

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<https://population.un.org/wup/Maps/>



City growth rate & size 2018-2030 cities >0.5 million

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Cities have benefits.

Cities concentrate economic productivity, cultural assets, resources for education, public health, medical care.

IF appropriately designed, cities could promote energy efficiency, adaptation to elderly population, social resources for smaller households & families.

Urban growth could affect food supply.

Many cities (~3% of land) are located on prime agricultural land (~10% of land).

If doubling of urban population leads to doubling of urban area, prime agricultural land could be removed from food production.



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Michiko Shimoda, 2005 Rice field, Fuji City, Japan ³

"China, Ruili,
Yunnan Province.
Dai minority
threshing rice
harvest in fields
which are
gradually being
swallowed by
this booming
border city."

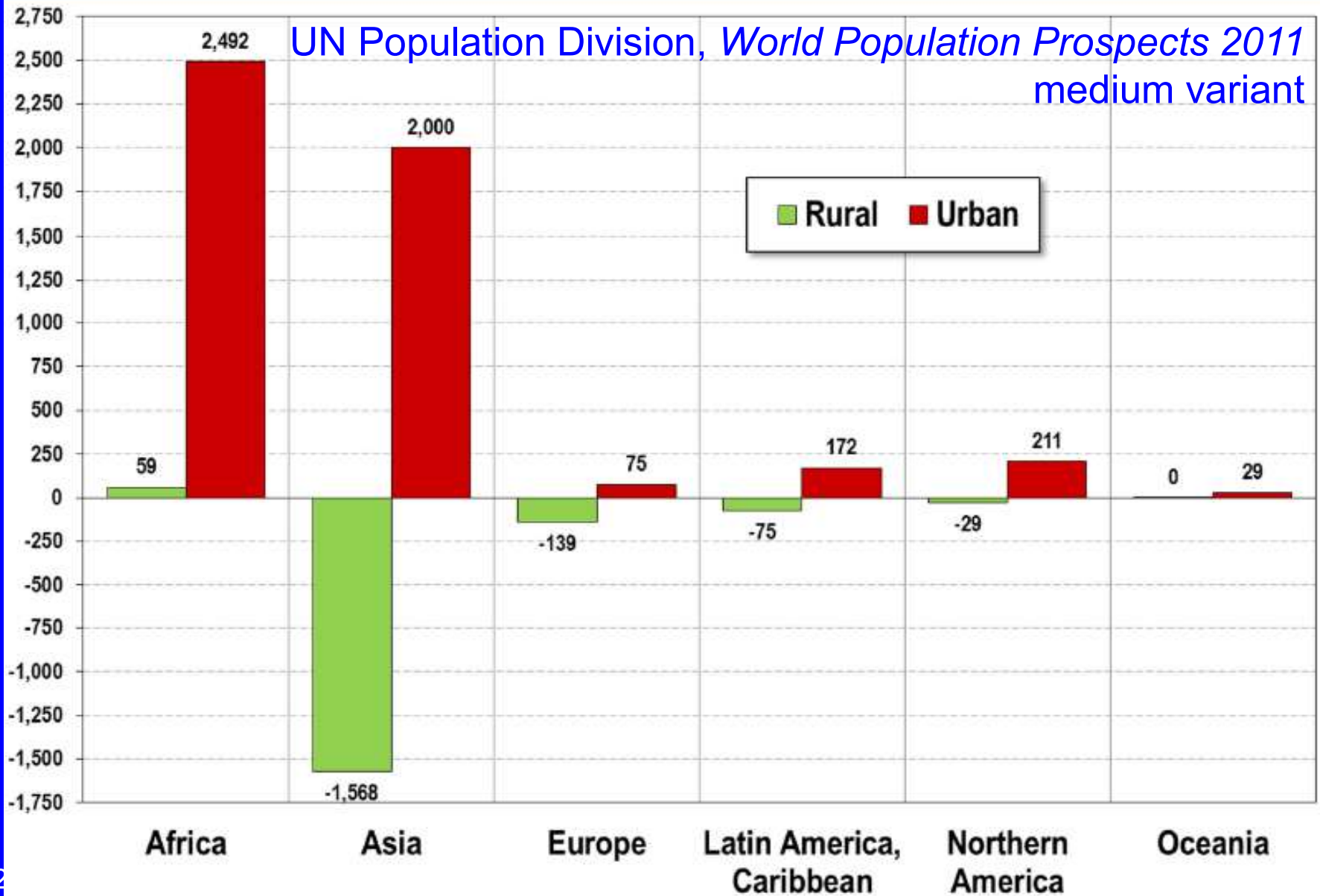
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State of the World's Cities
2012/2013: Prosperity of Cities
UN Habitat, Routledge 2013



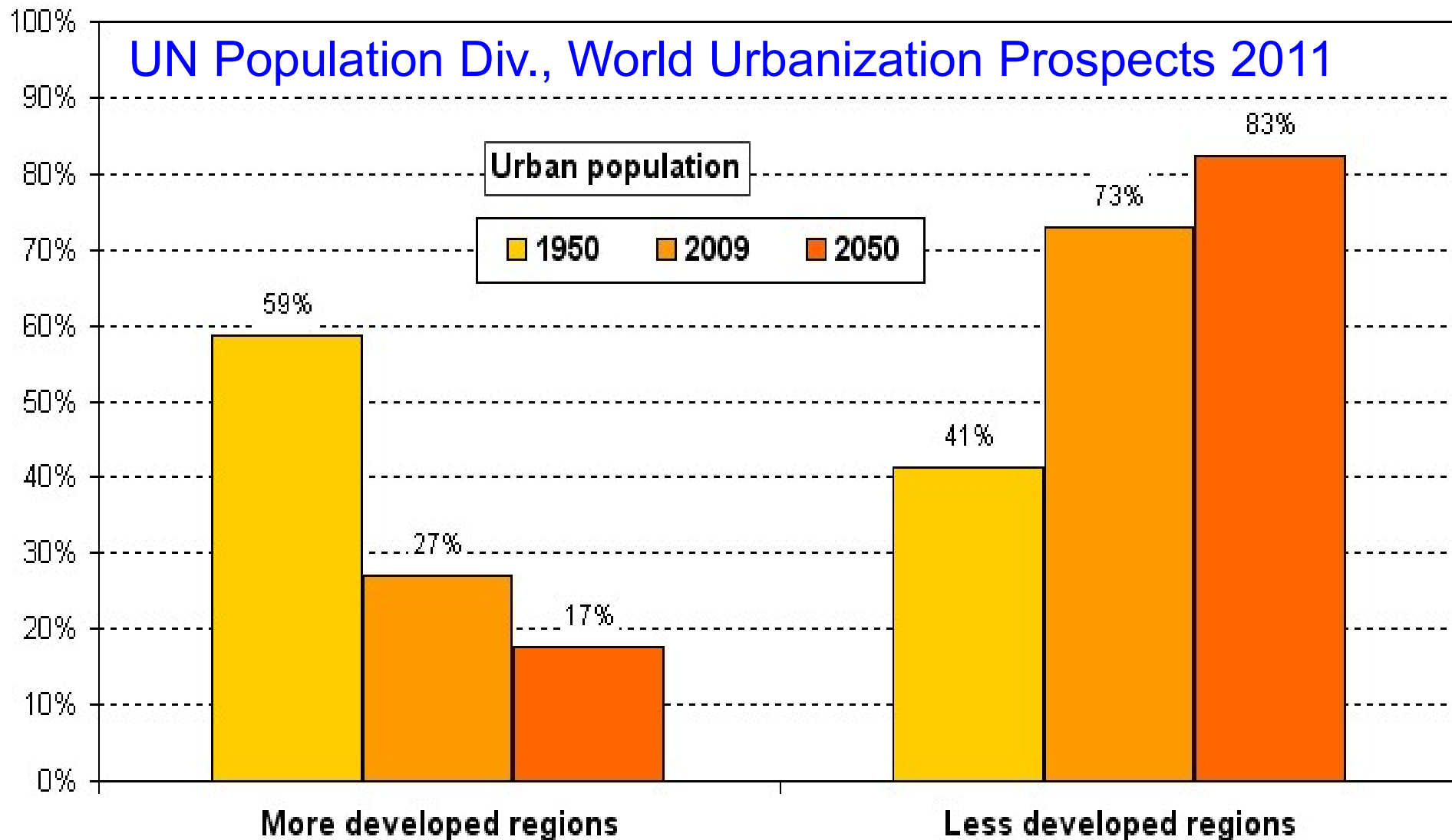
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Urban and Rural Population Change: 2010-2100

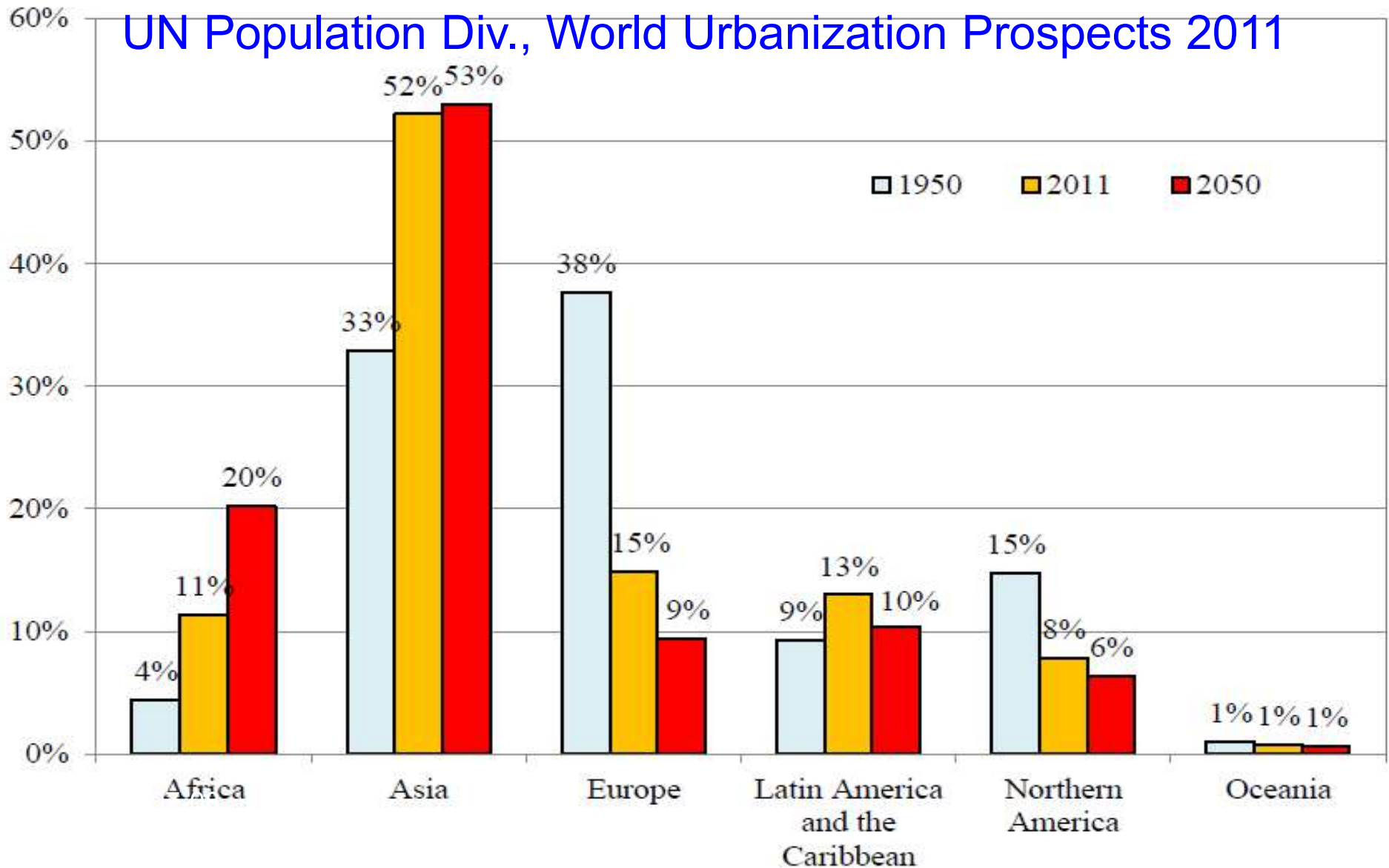
Millions of people



Less developed regions will have an increasing share of urban population.



Most urban people are & will be Asian.



“Around 40 % of the world’s
population lives less than 100 km
from the coast ...

close to 100 million people around
the world live less than 1 m above
sea level.”

UN Habitat 2007

~647 million people live contiguous to seacoasts at elevation ≤ 10 m.

~384 million of them live in cities.

UN Habitat 2008

In last interglacial (Eemian, 130-115 ka), global sea level was ~6 m higher. Migration potential?

Port Arthur, Texas 2017-08-31

https://upload.wikimedia.org/wikipedia/commons/5/51/Support_during_Hurricane_Harvey_%28TX%29_%2850%29.jpg



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Aguadilla, Puerto Rico 2017-09-22

U.S. Customs &
Border Protection



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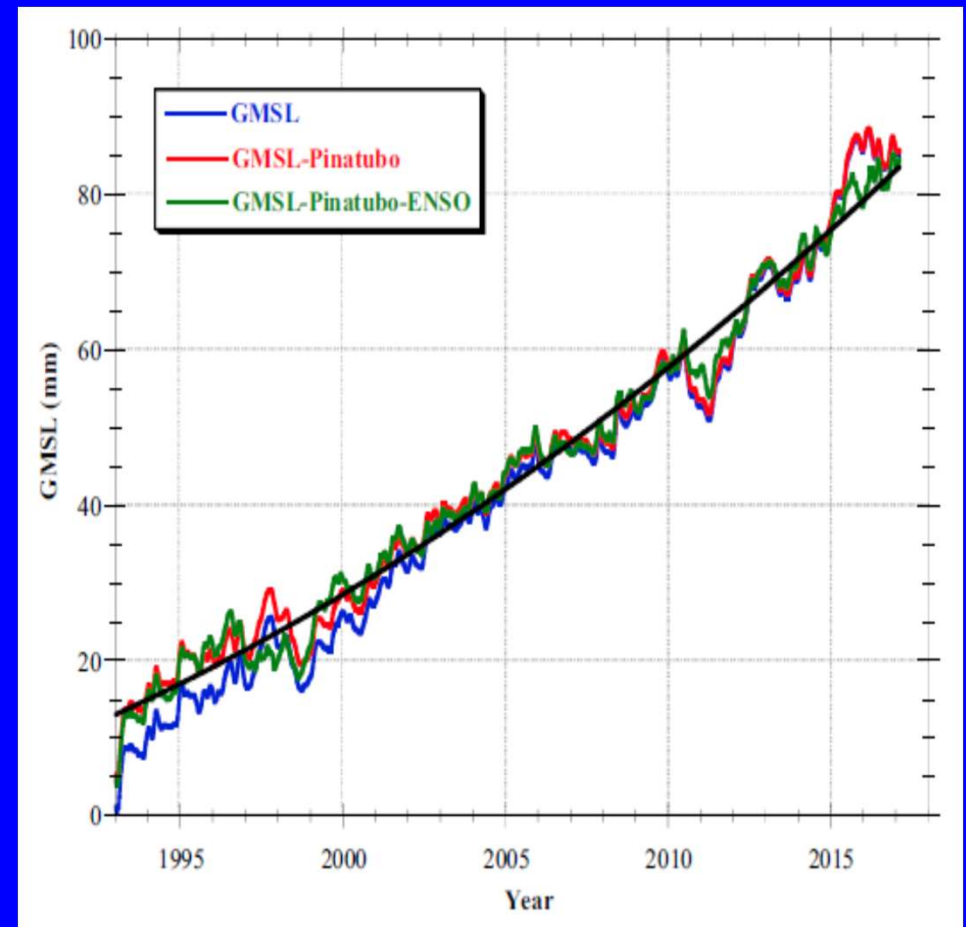
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Global mean sea level is rising at accelerating rate.

Nerem et al. *PNAS* 2018-02-27

“... the observed acceleration will more than double the amount of sea-level rise by 2100 compared with the current rate of sea-level rise continuing unchanged. ... this simple extrapolation will likely represent a conservative lower bound on future sea-level change.”

2005-2100: $+65 \pm 12$ cm



More water increased sea level twice as fast as changed heat content & salinity.

Leuliette, Eric. (2014). The budget of recent global sea level rise: 1995-2013. NOAA

Sea level rise budget for January 2005 to December 2013

$SL_{total} = SL_{steric} + SL_{mass}$	Trend (mm/year)
Ocean mass Glaciers, ice caps, ice sheets	2.0 ± 0.2
Steric (0–2000m) Heat content, salinity	$0.8 \text{ to } 1.1 \pm 0.5$
Steric + mass	$2.8 \text{ to } 3.1 \pm 0.5$
Total sea level (Jason-1 and Jason-2)	3.0 ± 0.4



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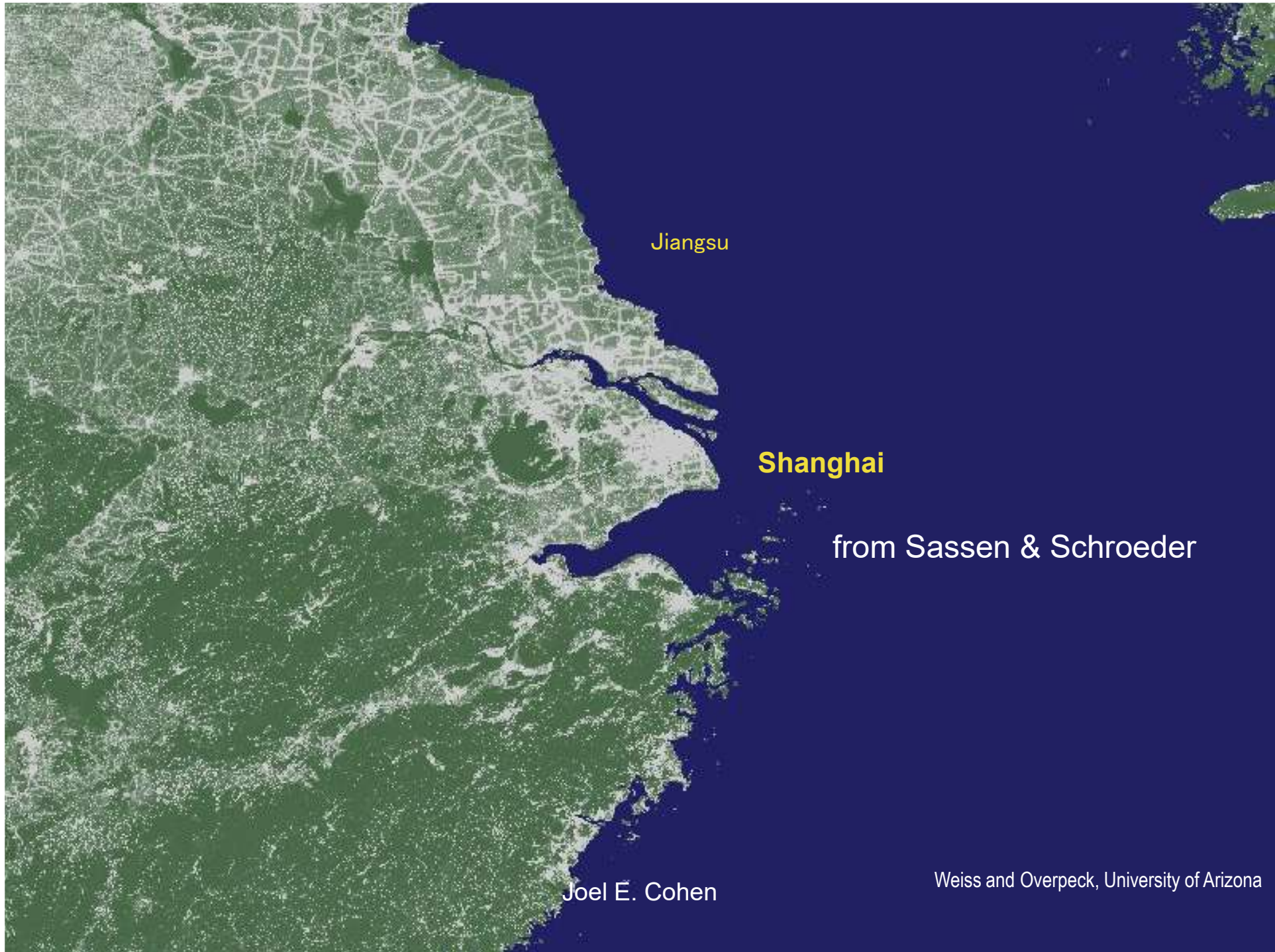
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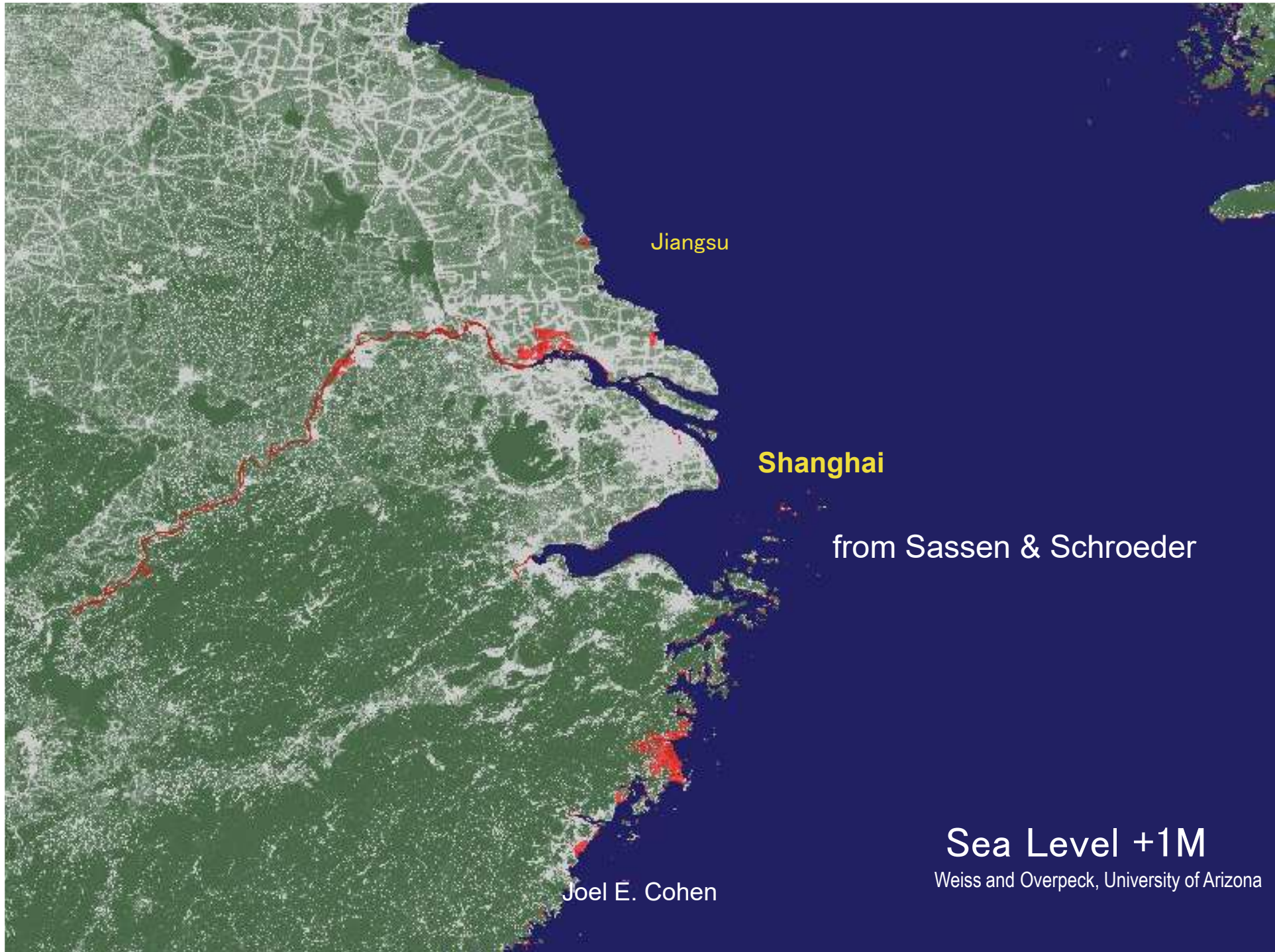
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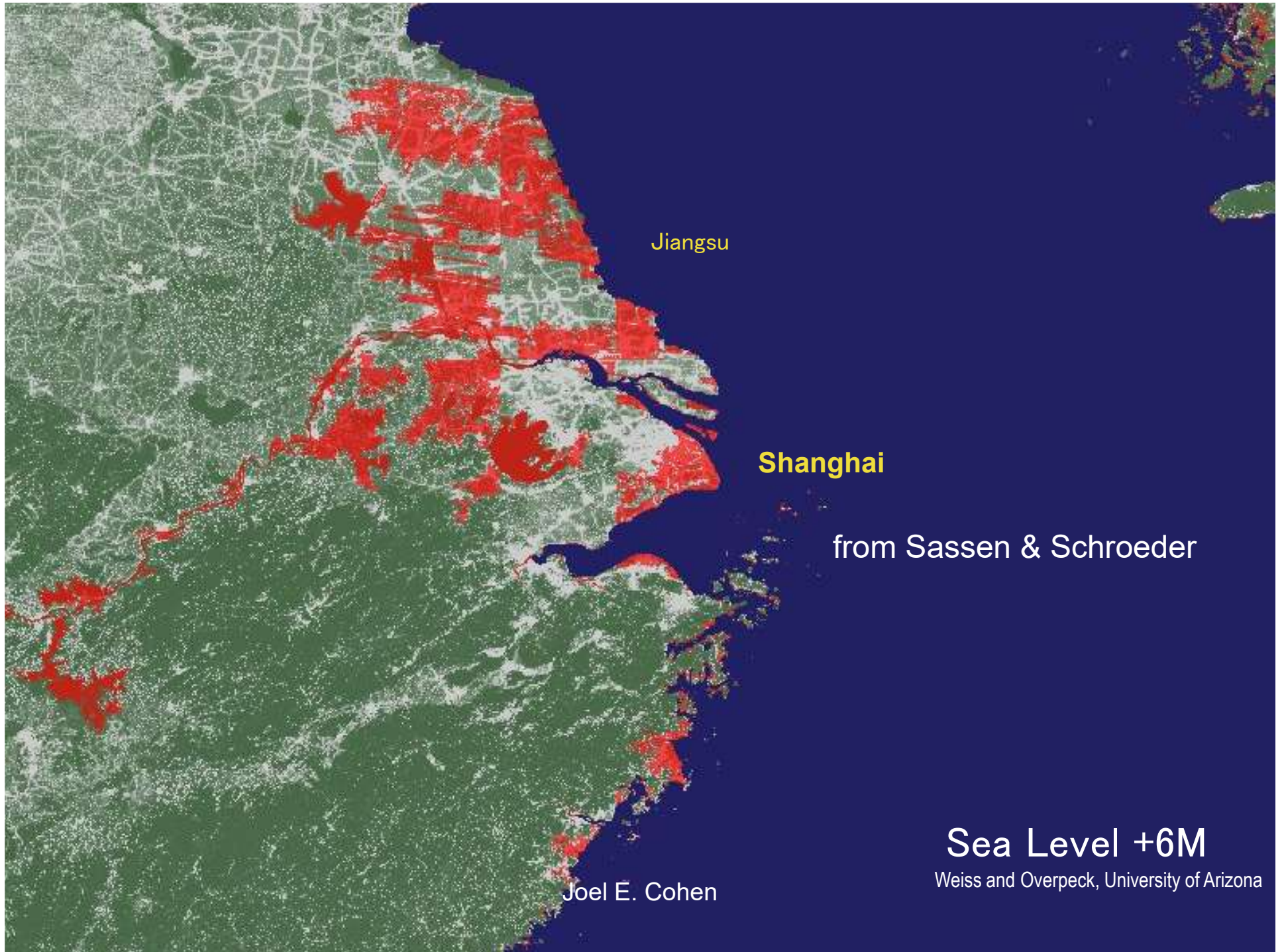
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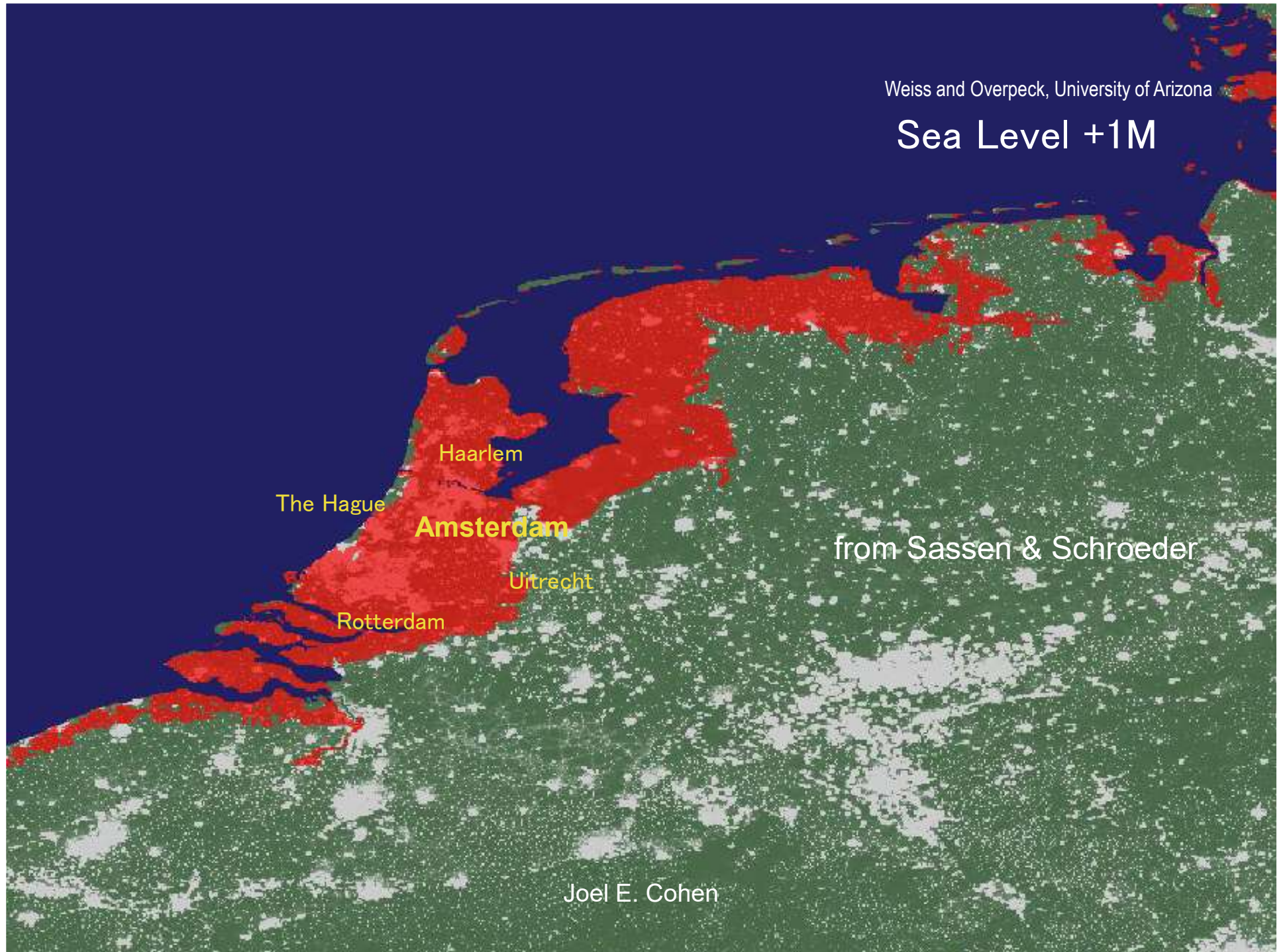


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S&P: "Climate Resilience Can Protect Ratings from Sea-Level Rise & Threats to U.S. Coastal Infrastructure"

2015-10-22

Cities & infrastructure on coasts are exposed increasingly to rising sea levels.

Barriers to flooding could avert losses of billions of dollars.

Credit impacts of threat & preventive actions are unknown now.

Cities that act now to protect future credit rating need not damage current ratings.

Flood losses in major coastal cities could total >\$1 T/y by 2050.

Flood exposure in coastal cities is growing because of growing population & assets, climatic change, & subsidence of land.

Average annual losses (AAL) := how much of city's economic output should be saved annually to pay for future flood losses.

Of 136 coastal port cities, 13 now have AAL >\$100 million (5 of them in USA).

Miami, NYC, New Orleans are 31% of global

AAL. Hallegatte et al. *Nature Climate Change* 2013

Problems of coastal, low cities

Population

Internal migration to coastal cities

Increasing population density

Aging of urban populations

Decreasing household size

Problems of coastal, low cities

Economics

Vulnerability of seaports, airports, roads, railroads, bridges

Vulnerability of power plants, refineries

Threats to coastal real estate values

Threats to tax base, credit ratings of local governments

Rapidly increasing flood insurance costs

Problems of coastal, low cities

Environment

Probably related to climate change

Sea-level rise

Increasingly intense ocean storms

More vectors of infectious disease

Heat waves

Salt-water invasion of coastal fresh-water aquifers

Bursty precipitation overwhelms stormwater

management & combined sewage-runoff waste
treatment capacities

Mud slides

Fires from surrounding vegetation

Urban drought from reduced freshwater supplies

Problems of coastal, low cities

Environment

Not necessarily related to climate change

Earthquakes at edges of tectonic plates

Tsunamis

Depletion of surrounding agriculture

Reductions of biodiversity in and around cities

Heat island effects

Increased flood risk from impervious surfaces

Particulate matter air pollution

Vulnerability of water supplies

Land subsidence

Problems of coastal, low cities

Culture

Denial of reality of climate changes

Empowering local governments, especially cities, to lead response to climate change

Zoning & building codes & standards

Outdated flood maps

Misguided flood insurance incentives

Learning from successes of other cities

Changing school populations

Slums or “informal settlements” (housing, education, employment, health, security)

Flooding of coastal military facilities

Options for responding

Ignore problems, take no action

Fortify with hard engineering

Use natural partial protections adaptively
(e.g., maintain coastal wetlands)

Abandon, retreat

The numbers & proportions of older people will increase,

first in rich countries, then in poor.



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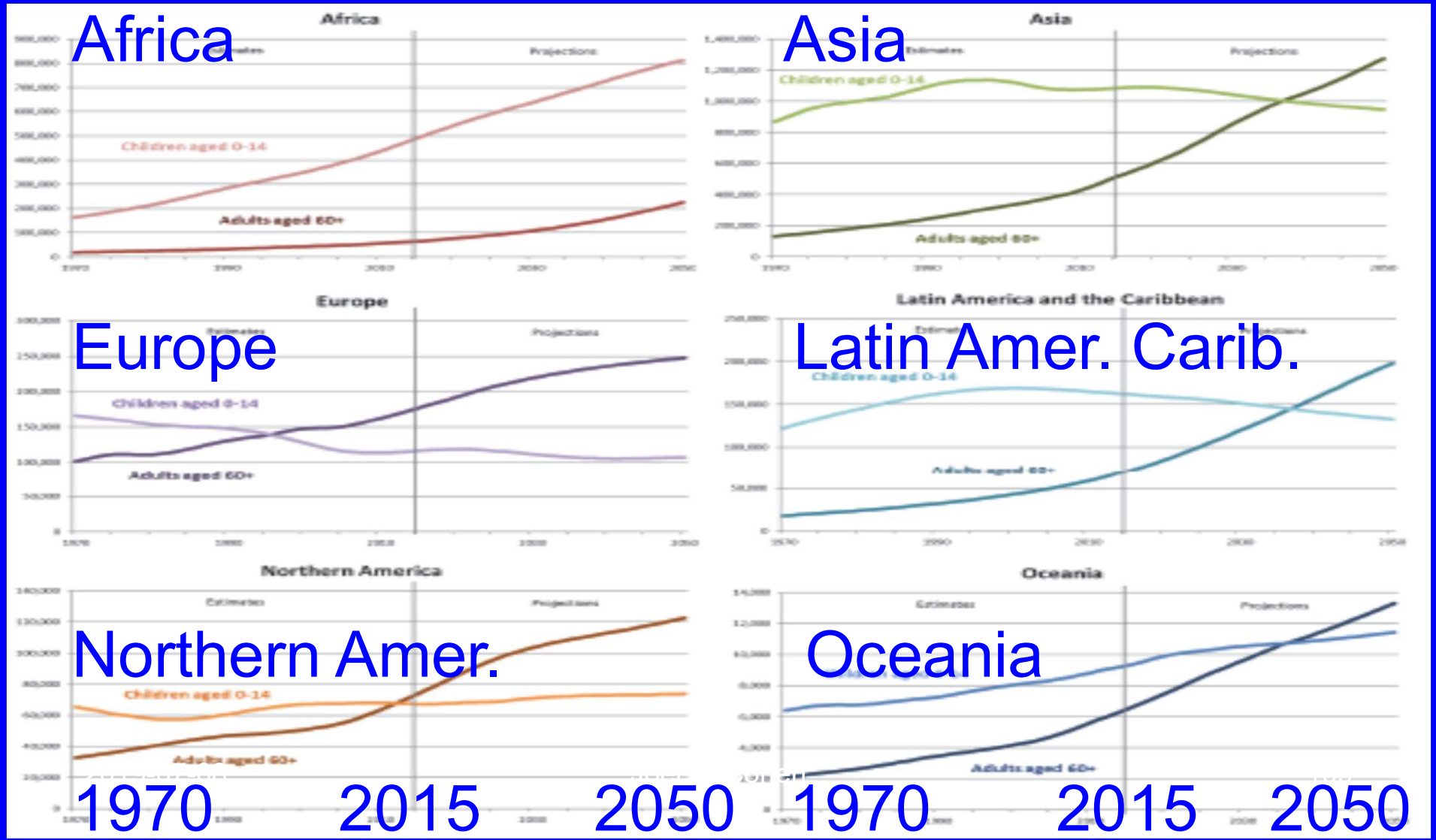
World ages 0-14 & 60+, 2015-2050

UN, *World Population Prospects 2017 Data Booklet*



World ages 0-14 & 60+, by region

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Potential Support Ratio (PSR)

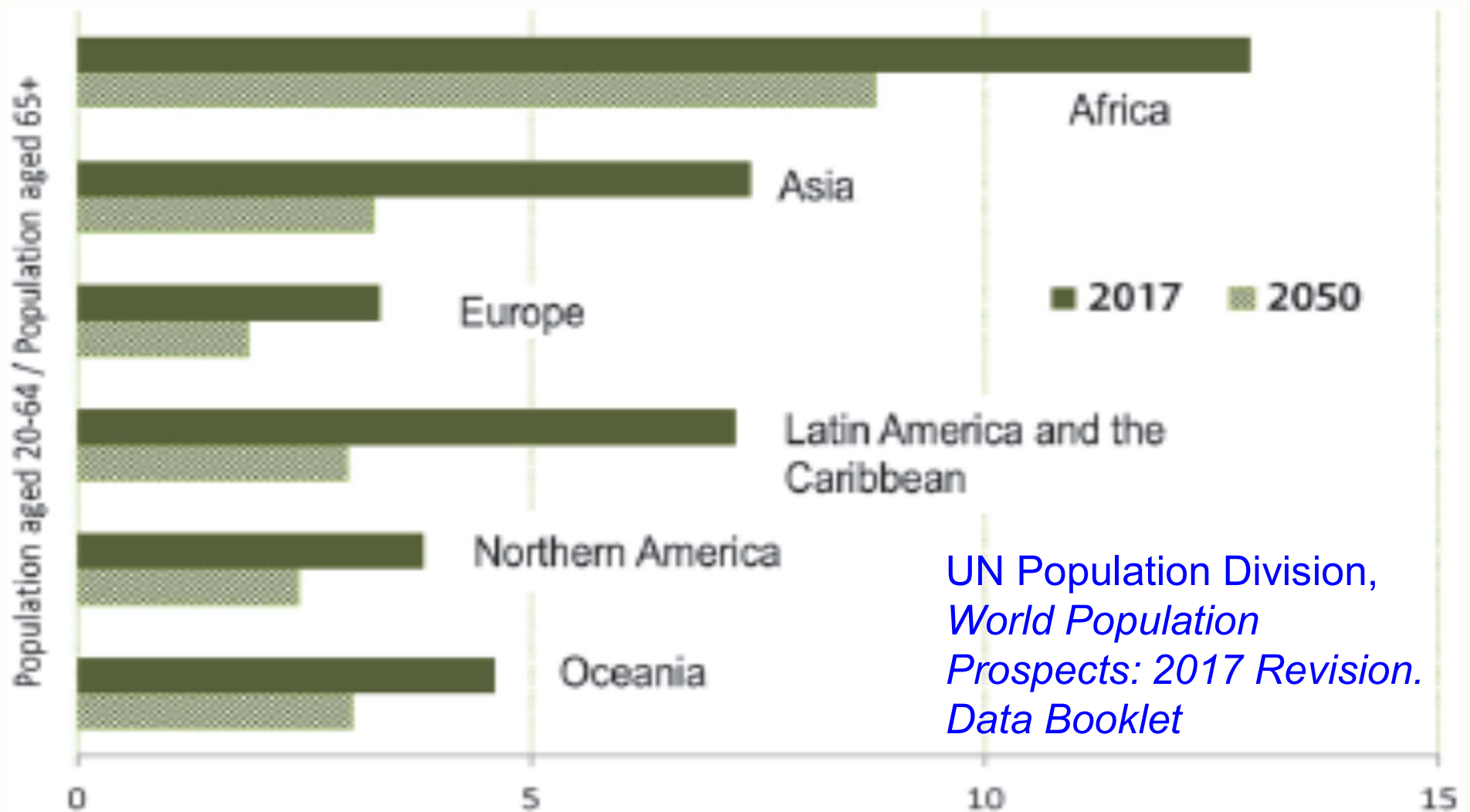
PSR =

number of people aged 20-64 years

number of people 65+ years

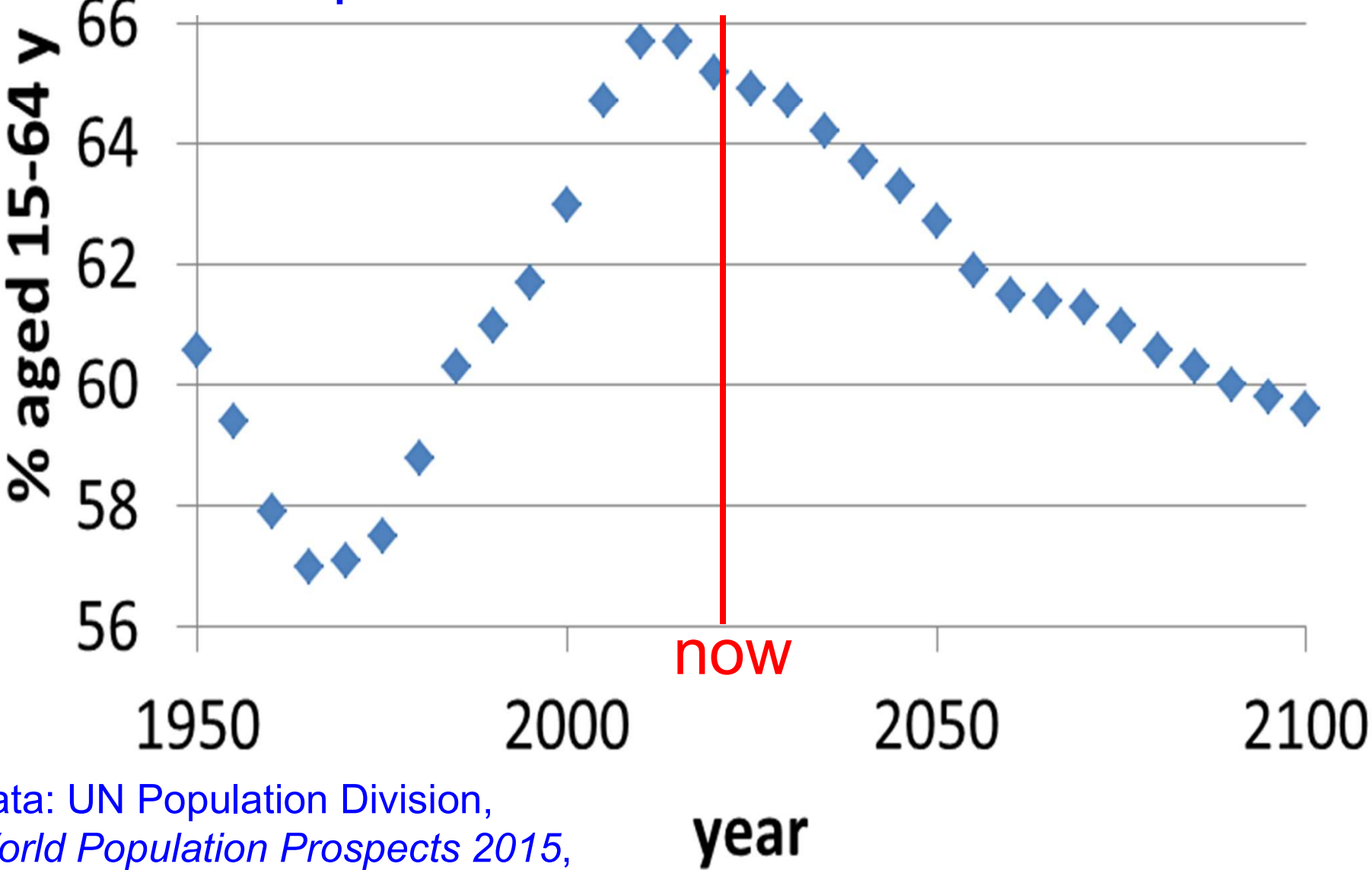
Japan's PSR = 2.6, lowest in the world.

Potential support ratio (20-64/65+) by region, 2017 & 2050



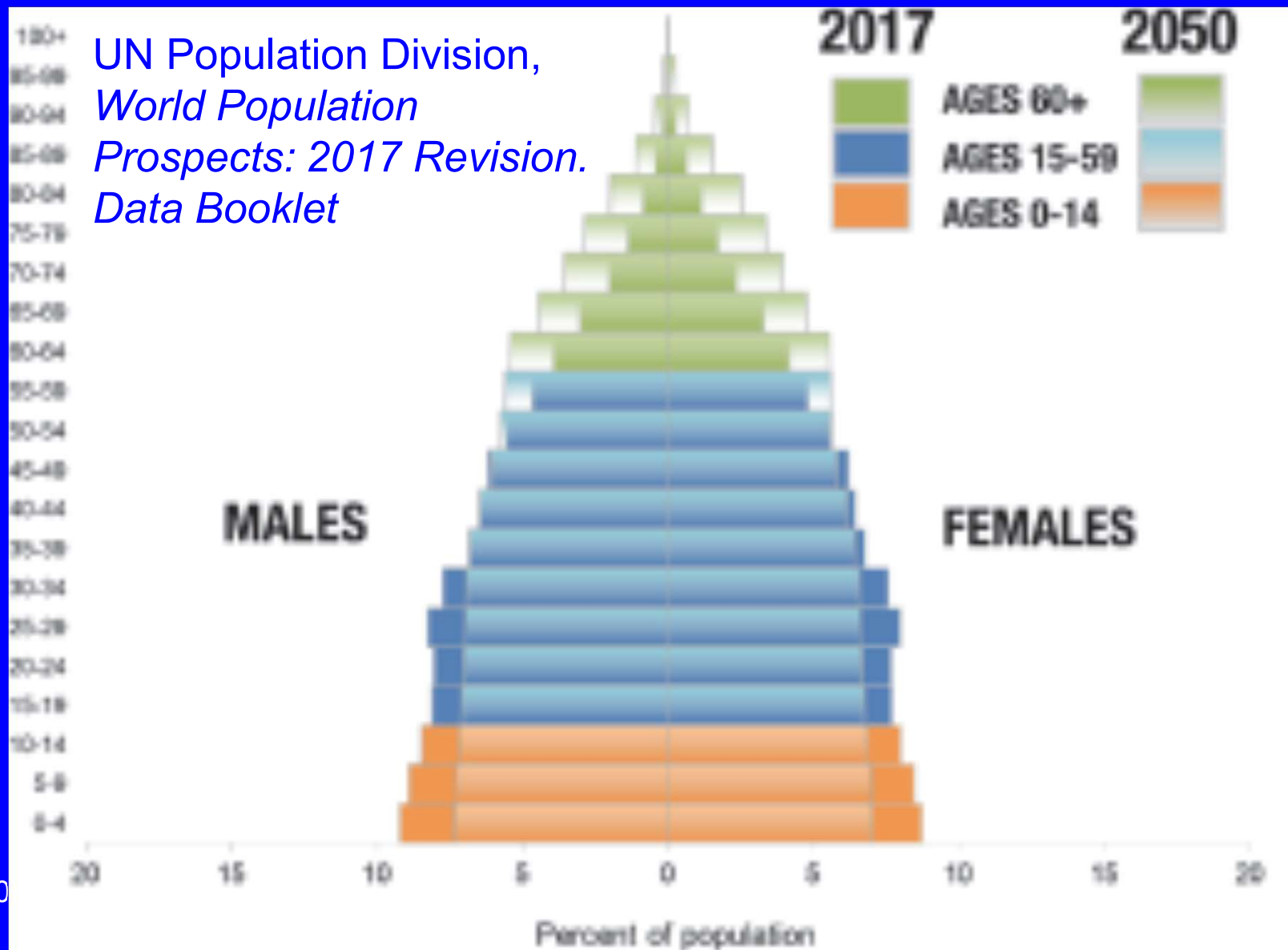
UN Population Division,
*World Population
Prospects: 2017 Revision.
Data Booklet*

Fraction of people aged 15-64 years peaked forever at 66% in 2012.



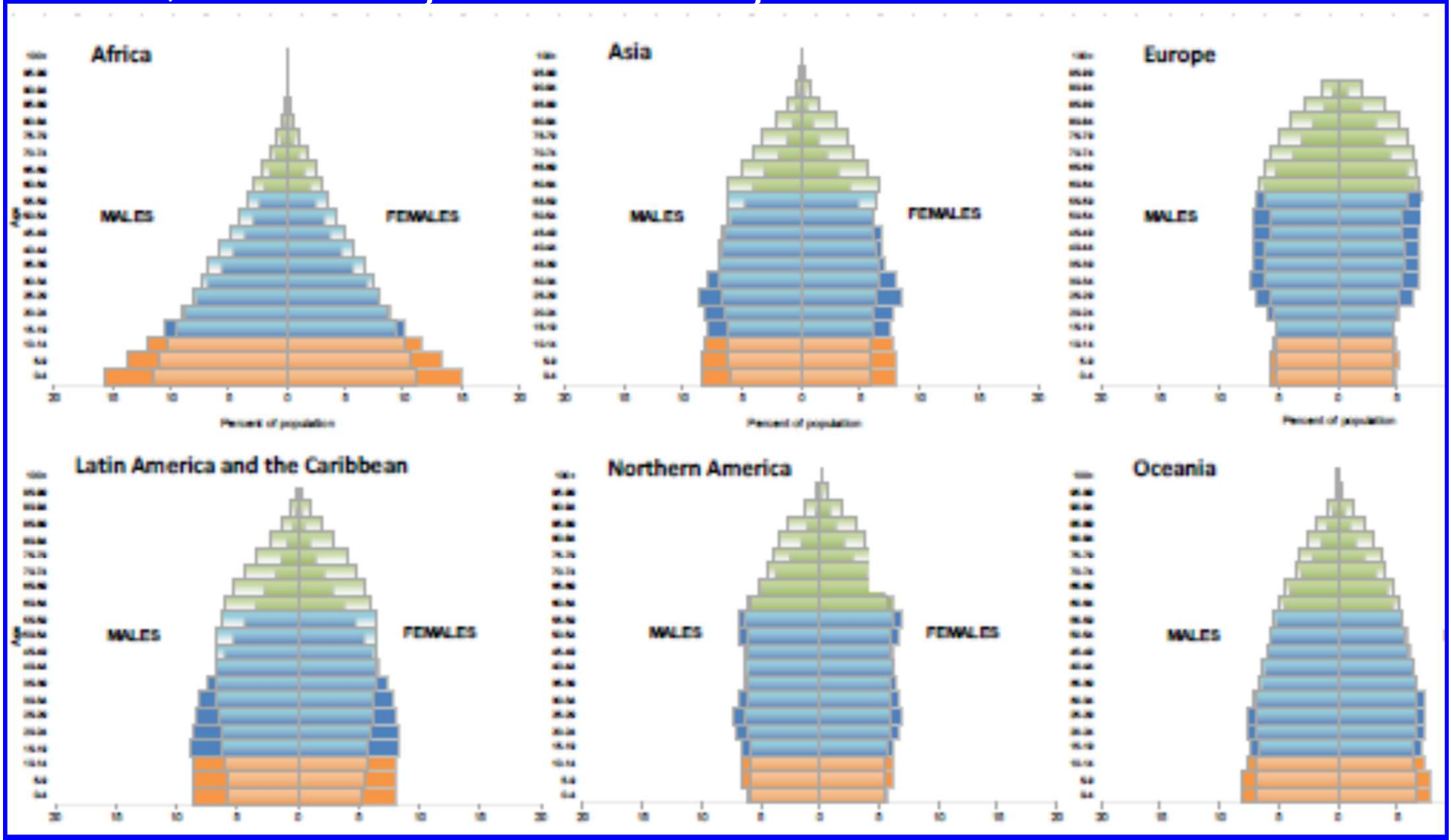
Data: UN Population Division,
World Population Prospects 2015,
Medium variant; graph by JEC

World population pyramid



World population pyramids 2017, 2050

UN, *World Population Prospects 2017 Data Booklet*



Population aging depends more on birth rates than death rates.

Birth rates control the size of youngest age groups at the bottom of the age pyramid.

Family support policies do not raise fertility enough to avert population aging.

Immigration cannot keep a population young because immigrants age, too.

Disability at older ages is declining, especially for people who were healthy & educated in their youth.

70 is the new 60.

In USA, people (of both sexes) aged 70-74 in 2005-2009 had remaining life expectancy of people aged 60-64 years in 1935-39.

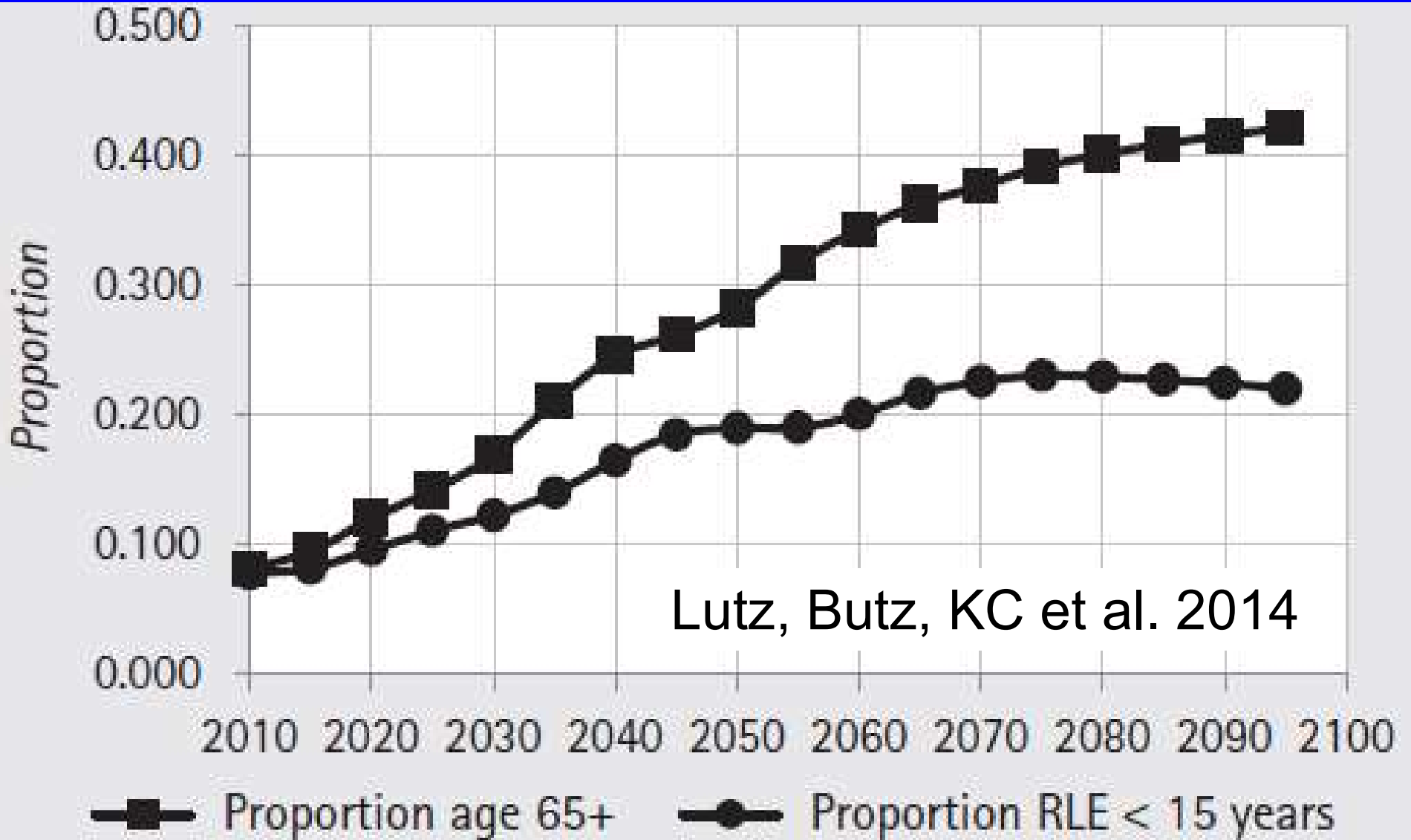
Year	Age	Remaining life expectancy
1935-1939	70-74	9.95
1935-1939	60-64	15.72
2005-2009	70-74	15.24

What does “old” mean?
Age 65+ years? Or
Remaining life expectancy 15
years? Norman Ryder 1975

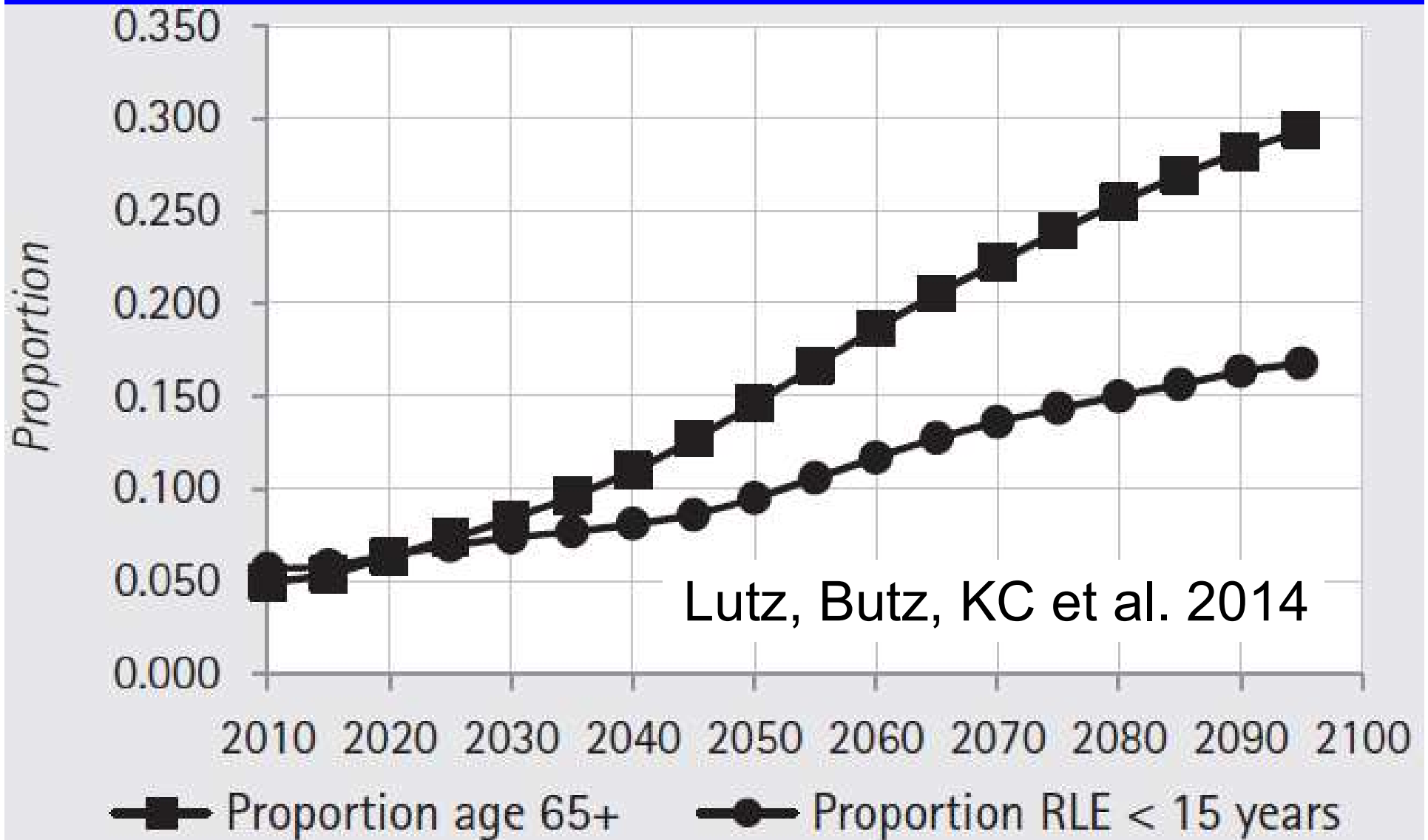
In 2010, old = 71 years in North America, 63 in Africa, 67 for the world.

Prediction for the world: old = 73 in 2050, 78 in 2090. Lutz et al. 2014

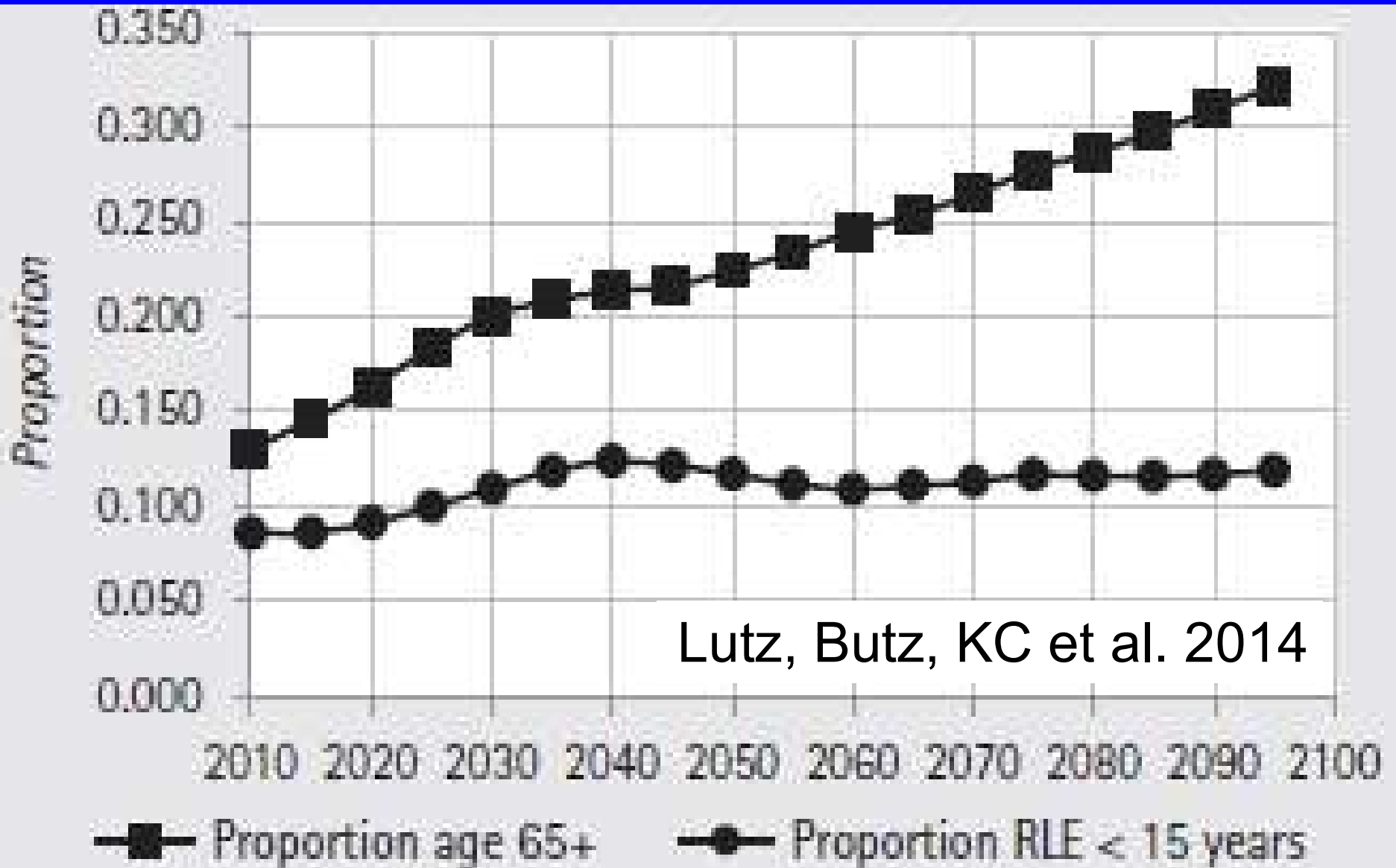
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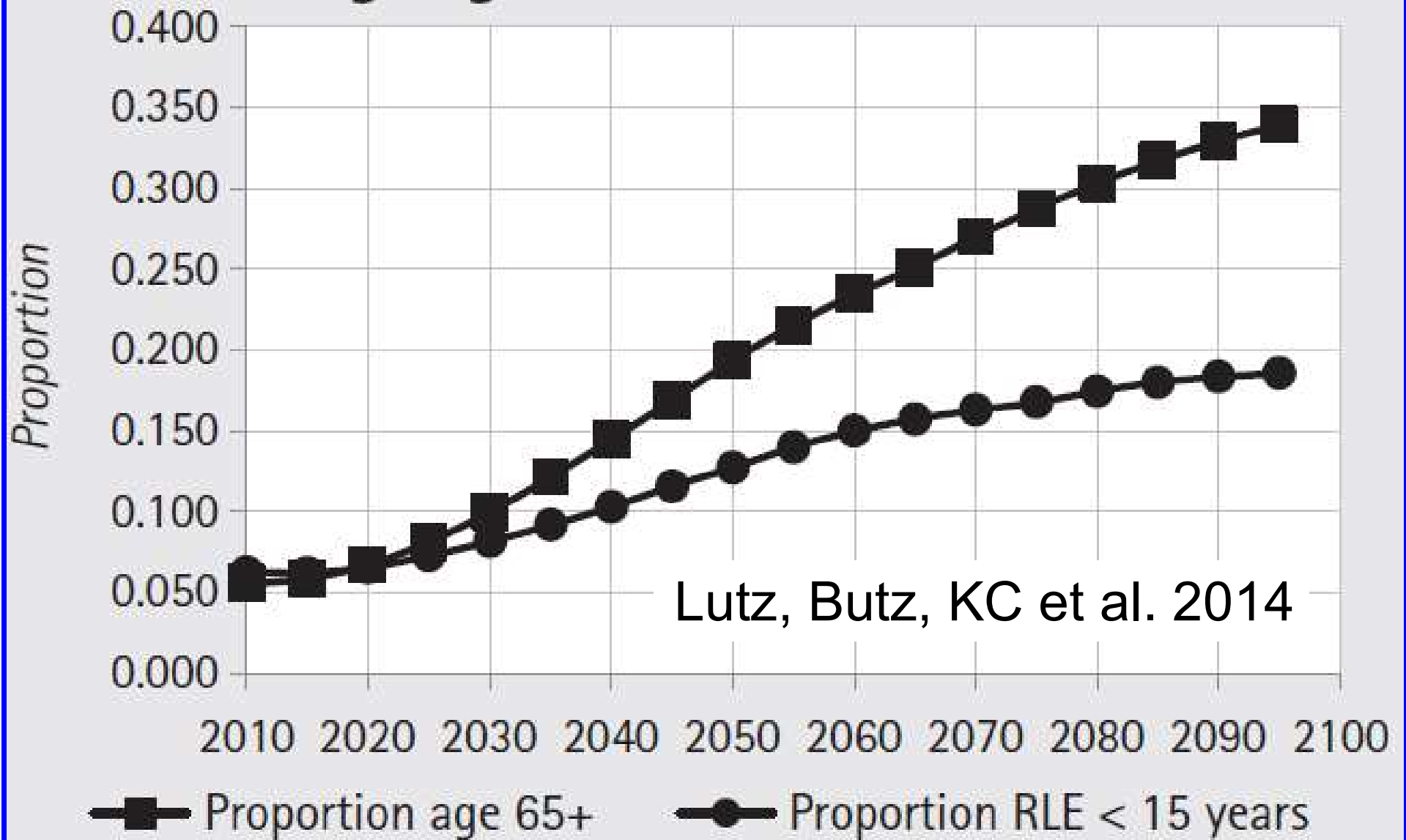
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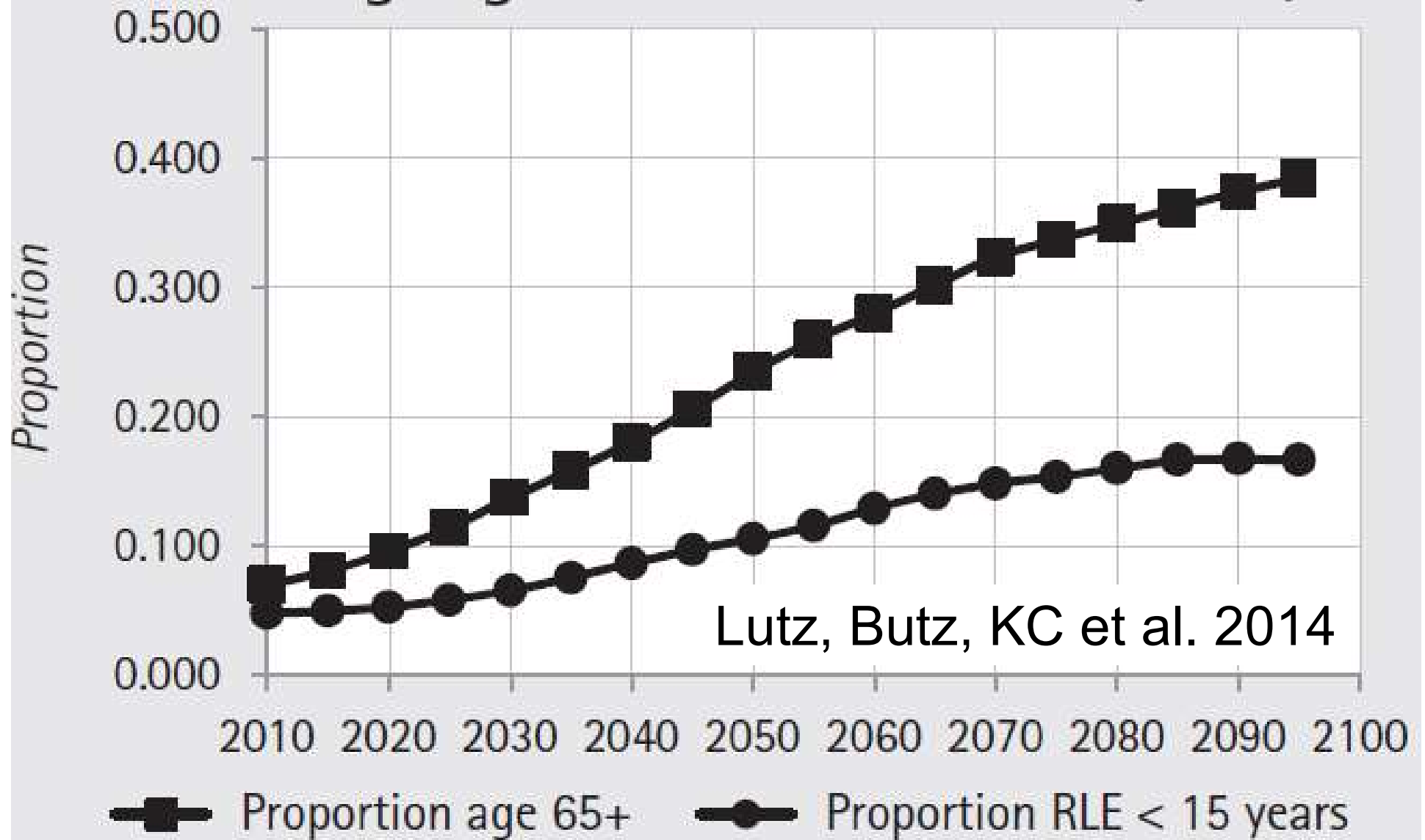
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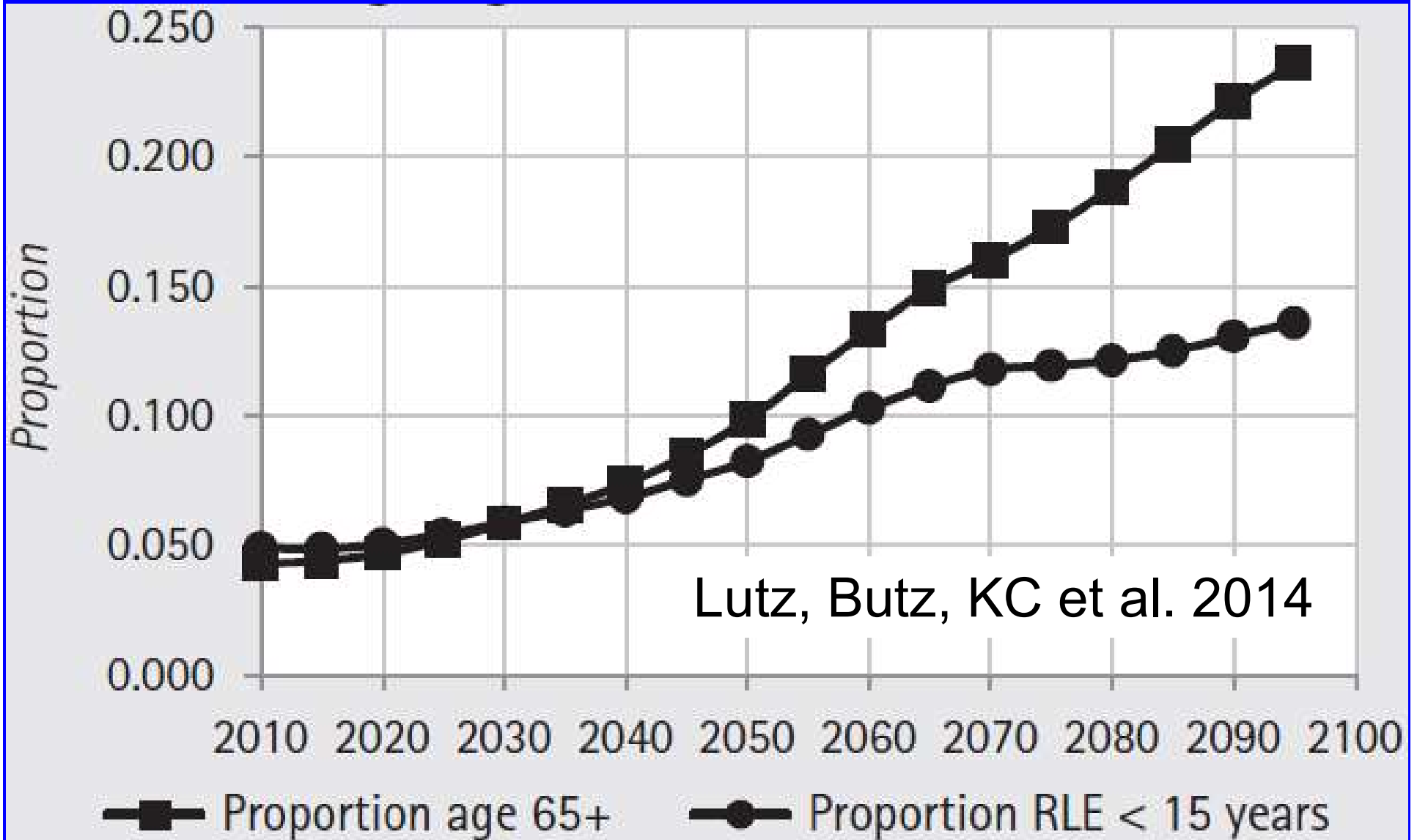
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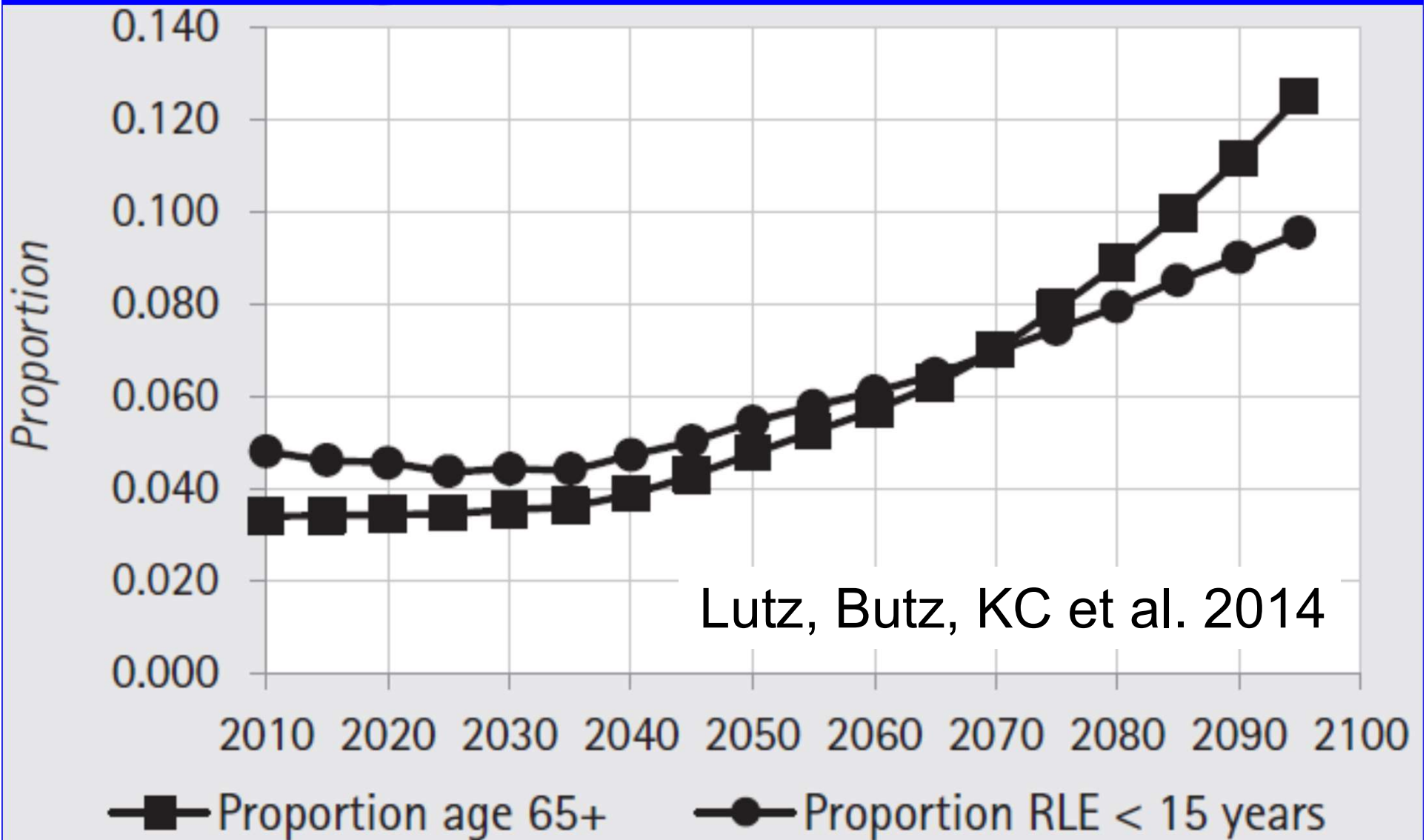
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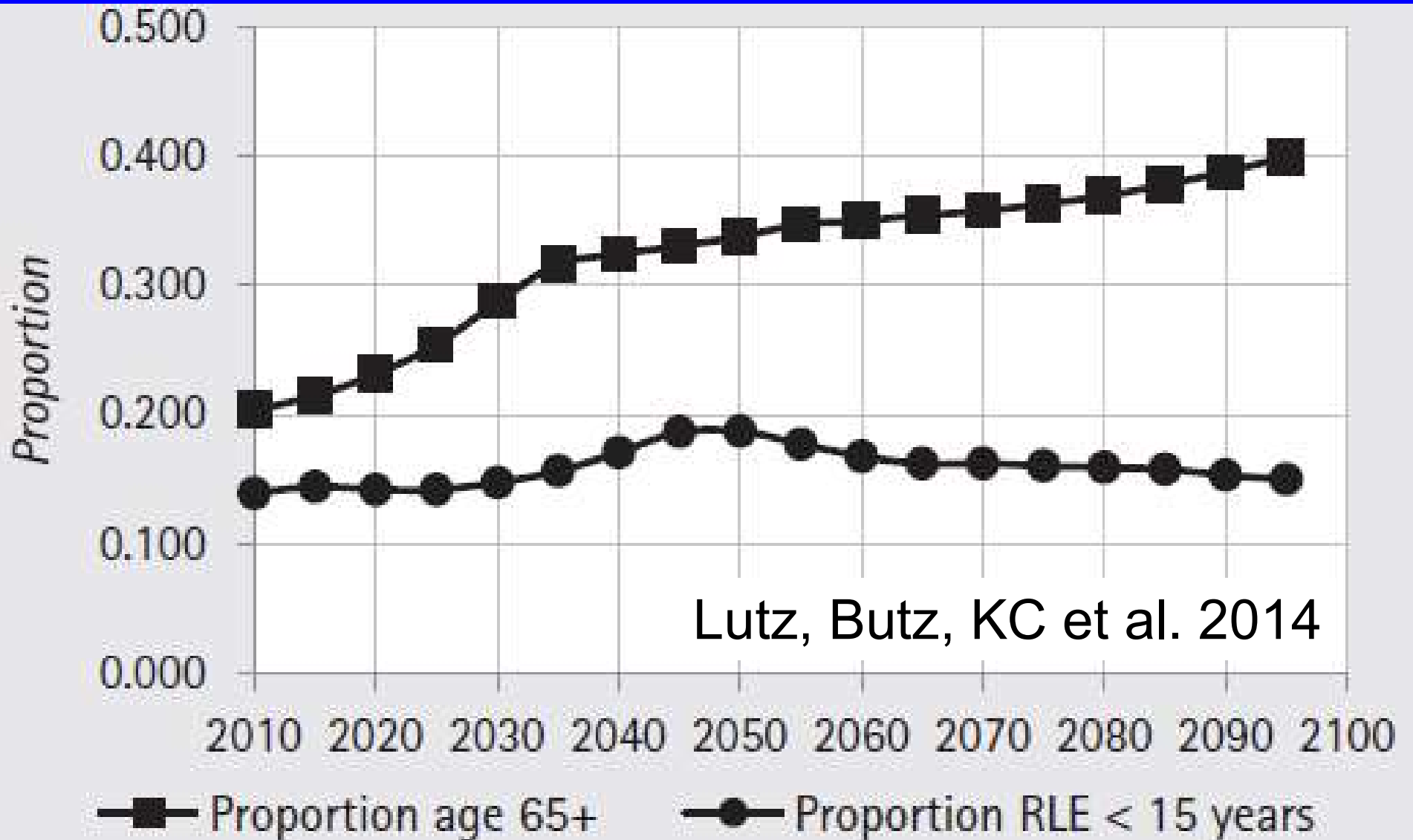
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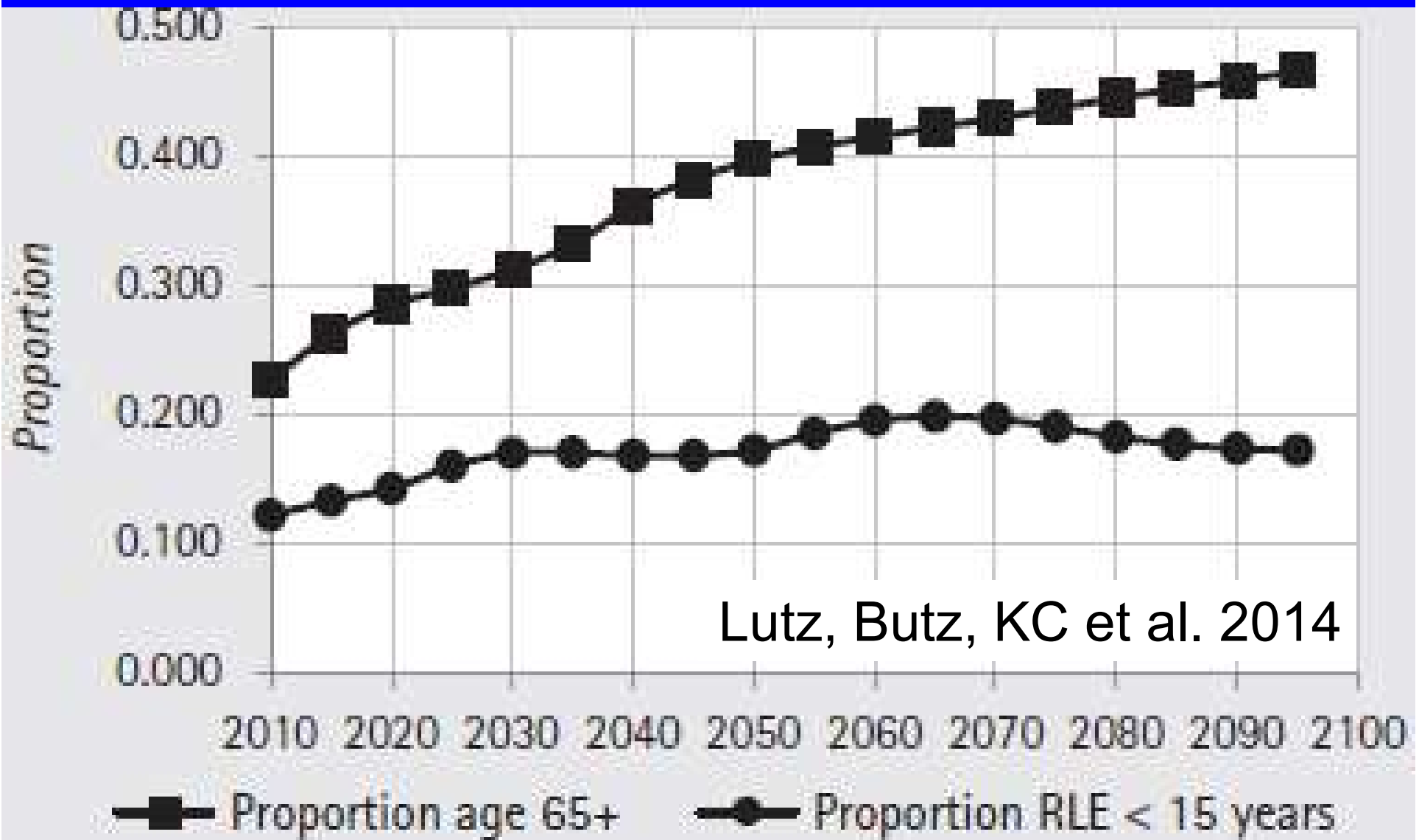
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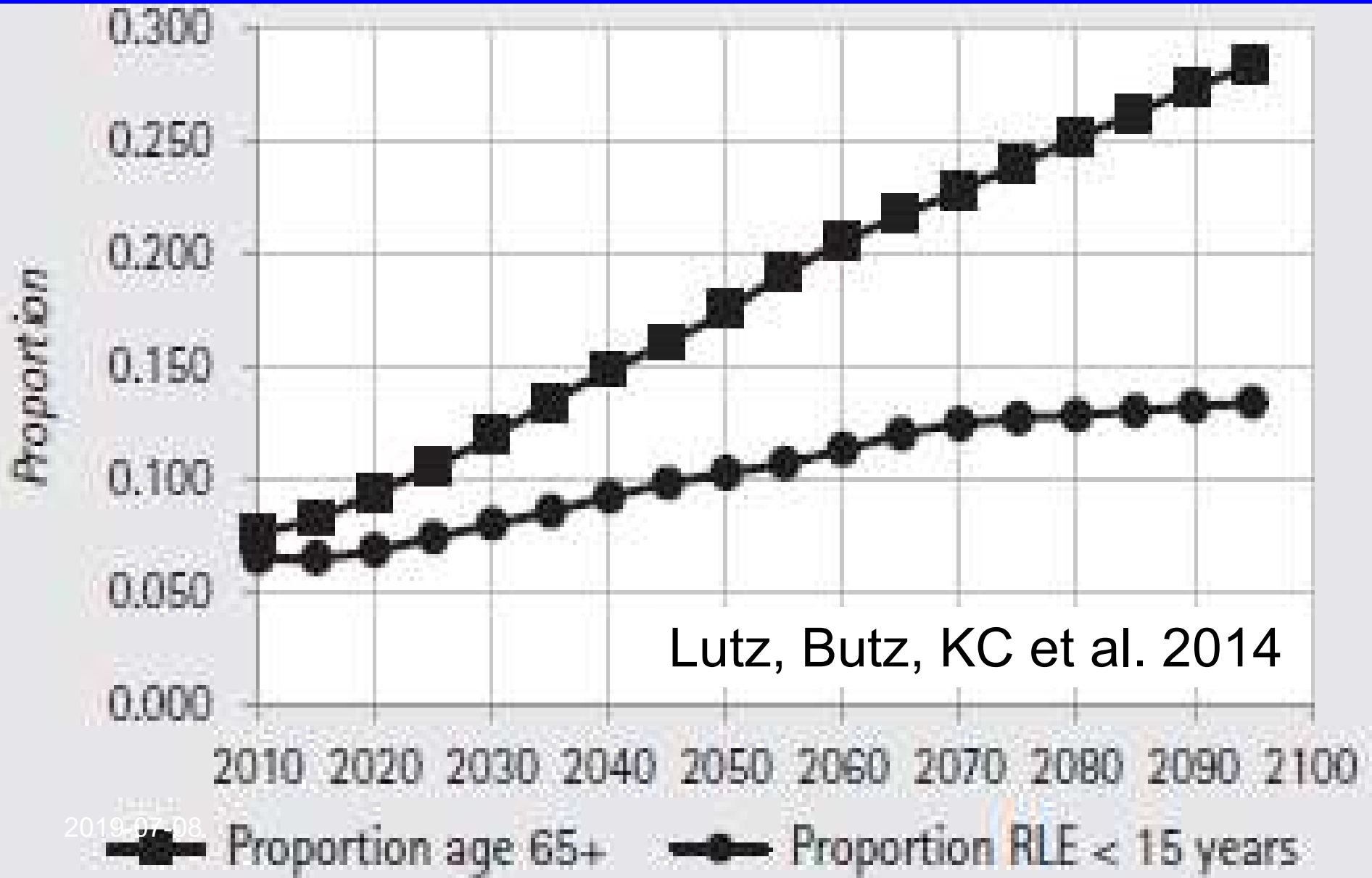
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Japan



World



“What can grow younger
as it grows older?”

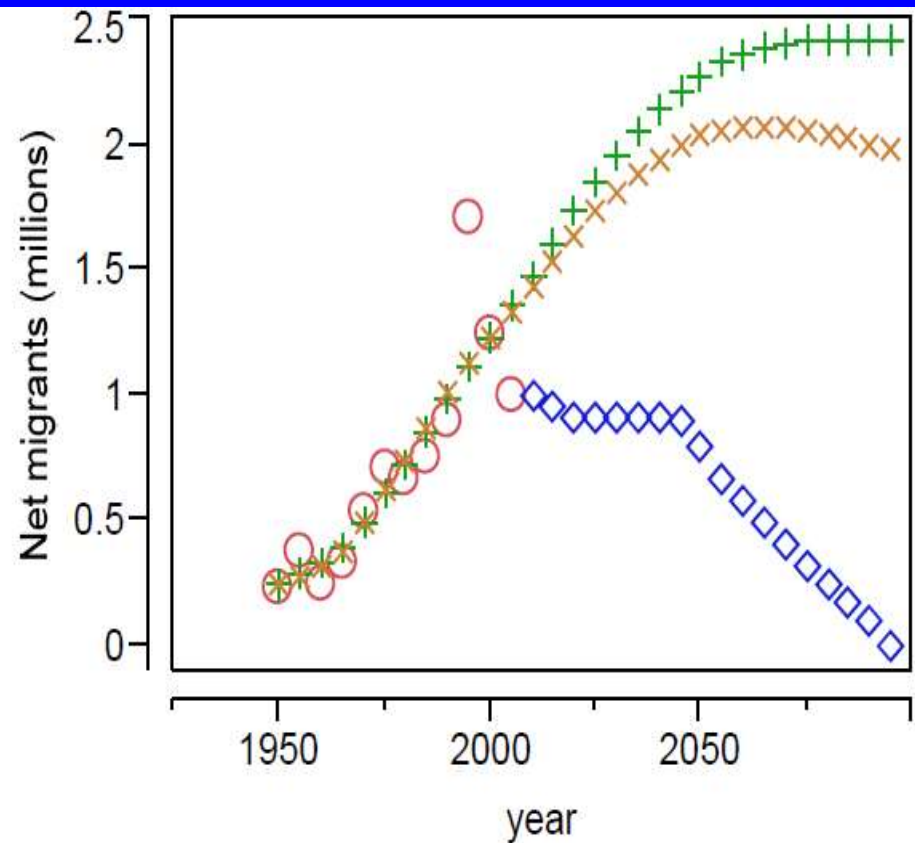
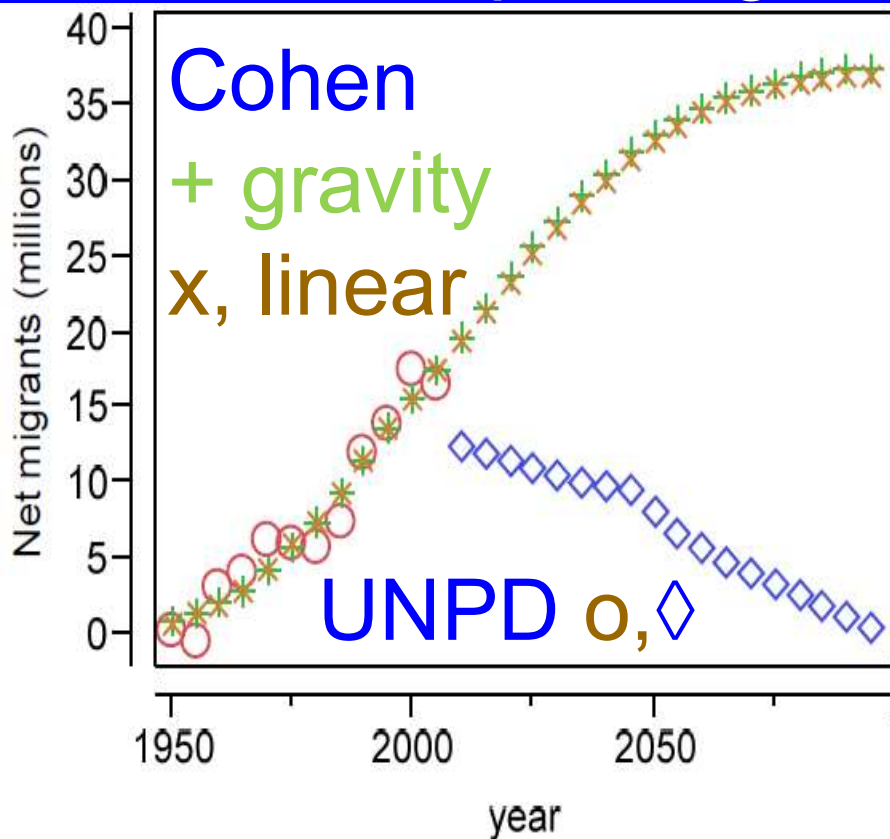
“Functionally, human populations
can become younger even as they
grow older chronologically. This is
the key to understanding what
ageing will really be like in the
twenty-first century.”

Lutz, Butz, KC et al. 2014

Net migration per year, estimated & projected by UN Population Div., & by gravity, linear models

more developed regions

USA



750 million people (15% of adults)
“say they would like to leave their
country permanently.”

Gallup polls of 453,122 adults in 152 countries 2015-17

158 million “say they would like to move to the
US” (21% of potential migrants). 16% of
Americans “in 2017 ... would like to move to
another country ... the highest measure to date.”
33% of sub-Saharan African adults want to move.
“In 13 countries, at least half of the adult
population would like to move to another country if
they had the chance.”

<https://news.gallup.com/> December 10, 2018
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Other expert projections of global migrant flows

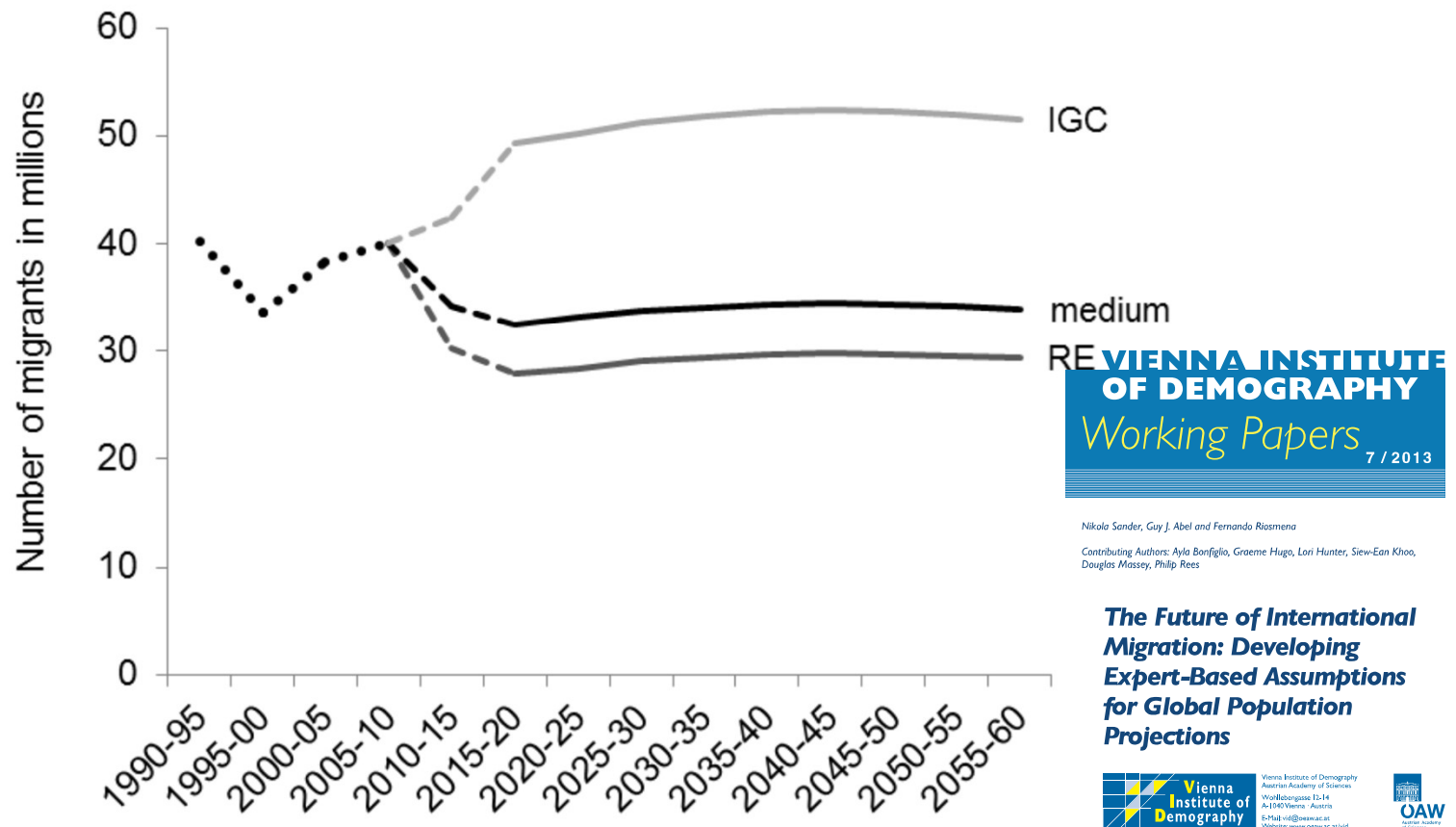
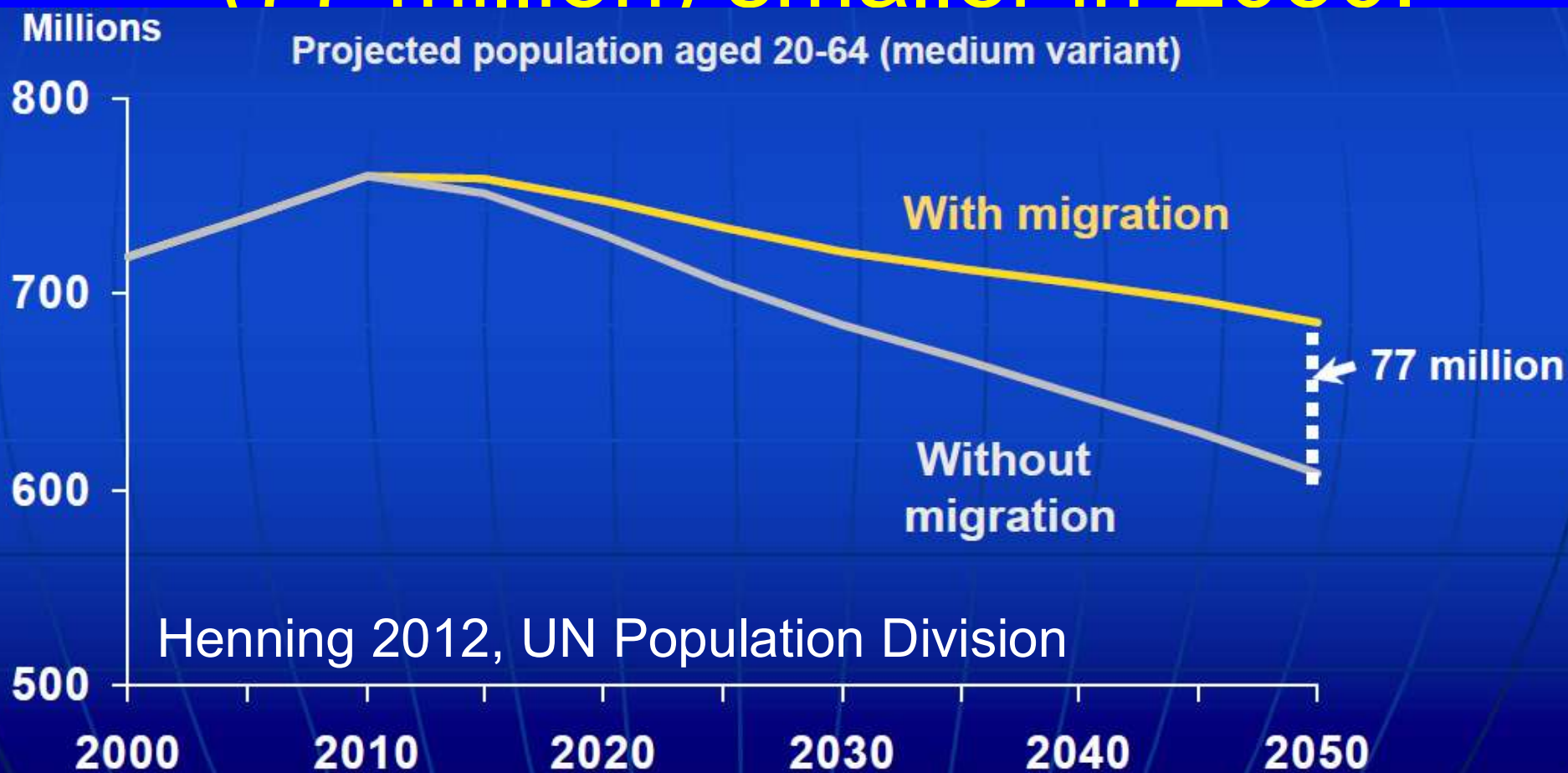


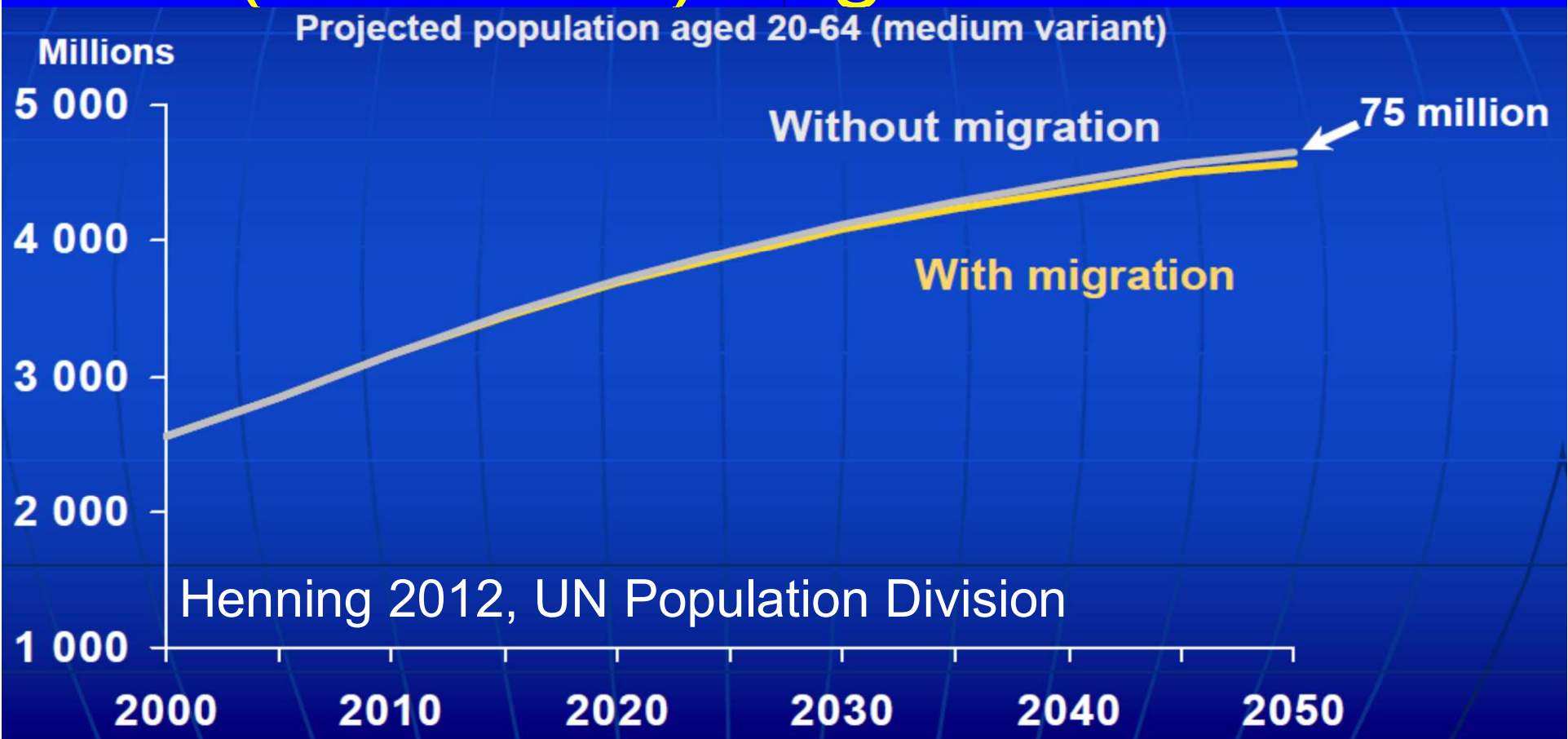
Figure 12: Estimated (1990-95 to 2005-10) and projected (2010-15 to 2055-60) number of global migrants moving over five-year periods under alternative scenarios.

Frans Willekens, Reflections on international migration forecasting. Vienna Institute of Demography December 2016.

Without international migration, developed regions' population aged 20-64 would be 11% (77 million) smaller in 2050.



Without international migration, developing regions' population aged 20-64 would be negligibly (75 million) larger in 2050.



Human right vs national sovereignty

Article 13 of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights (December 10, 1948):

- "1. Everyone has the right to freedom of movement and residence within the borders of each State.
2. Everyone has the right to leave any country, including his own, and to return to his country."

But there is no right to enter another country without that state's permission.

Multiple choice test

1. If global population size continues to grow 1.0%/y, it will more than double by 2100. T, F
2. Global population growth is likely to end by 2100. T, F, do not know
3. Globally, most growth in urban populations comes from rural migrants to cities. T, F
4. By 2050, it is reasonable to expect as many adults 60+ as children 0-14. T, F
5. The fraction of people aged 15-64 years peaked forever around 2012. T, F

Thank you! Questions?

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