



# PARTNERSHIPS FOR SCALING

CLIMATE SMART AGRICULTURE (P4S - CSA)

Closing the Gap between Science and Policy for  
Climate-Smart Agriculture

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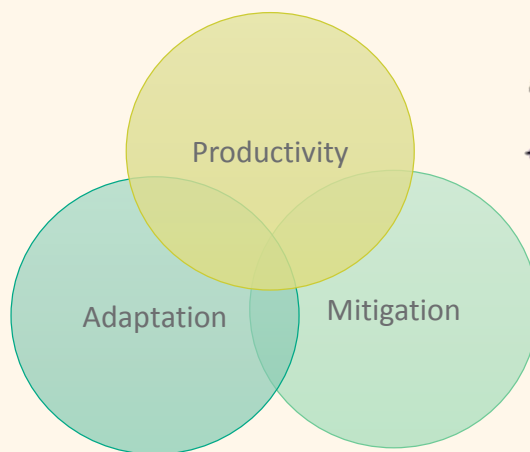
# The Challenge for CSA Programs



## Many Practices



## Many Goals



Of What?

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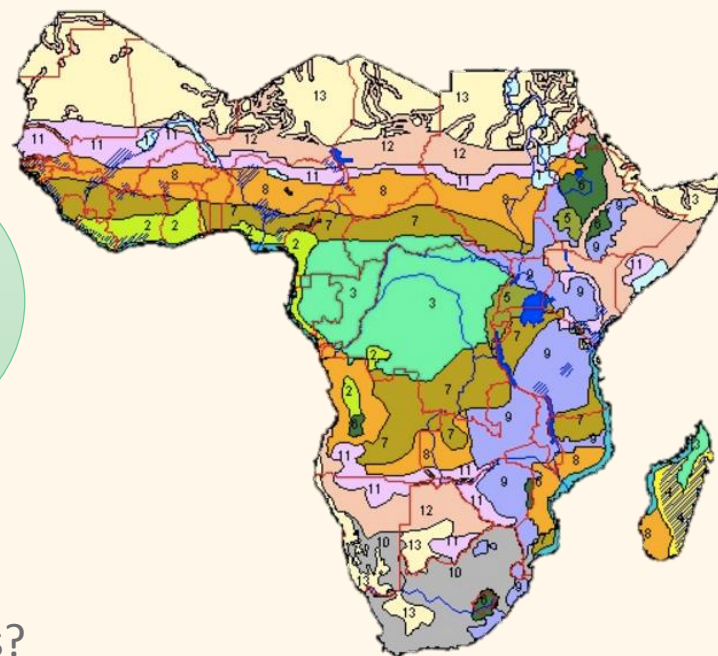
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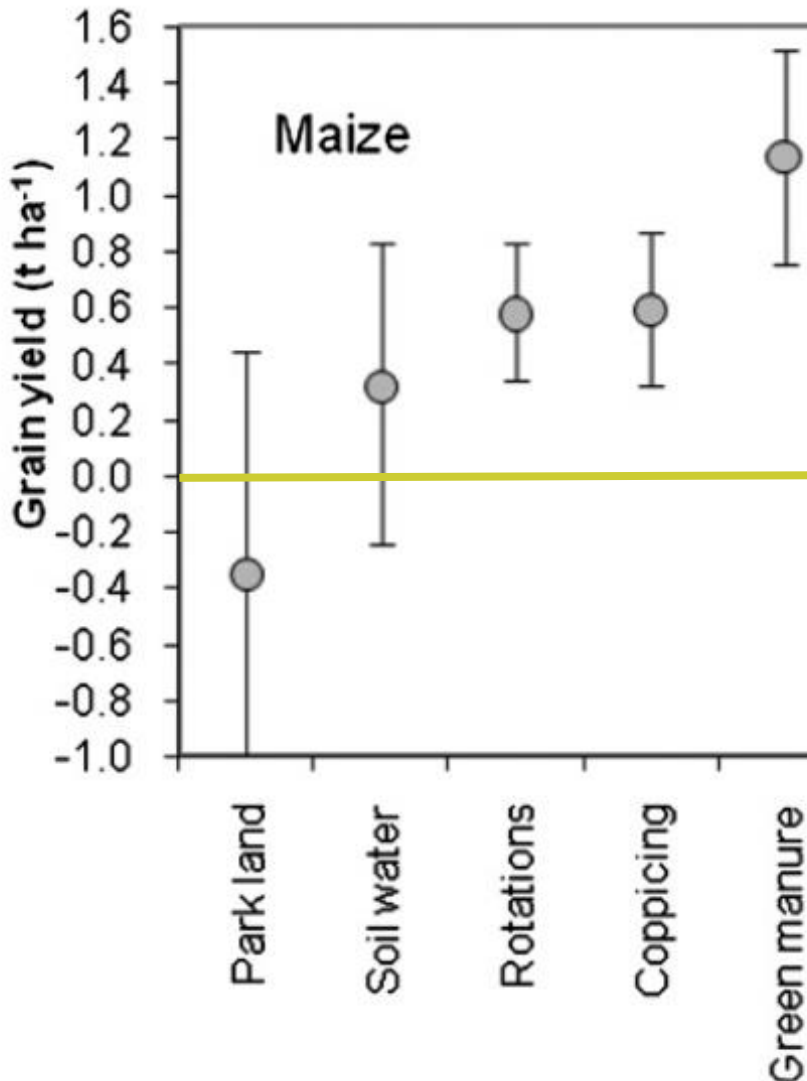
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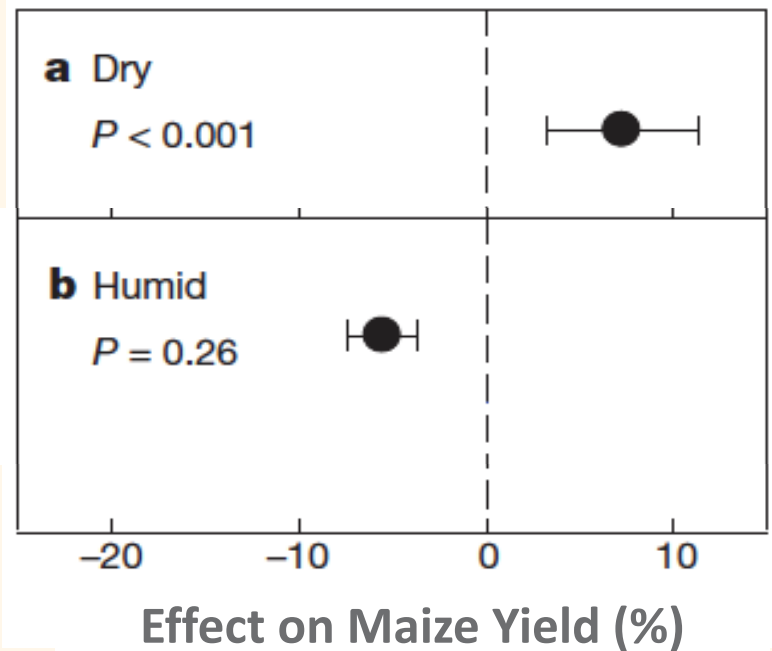
## Many Contexts

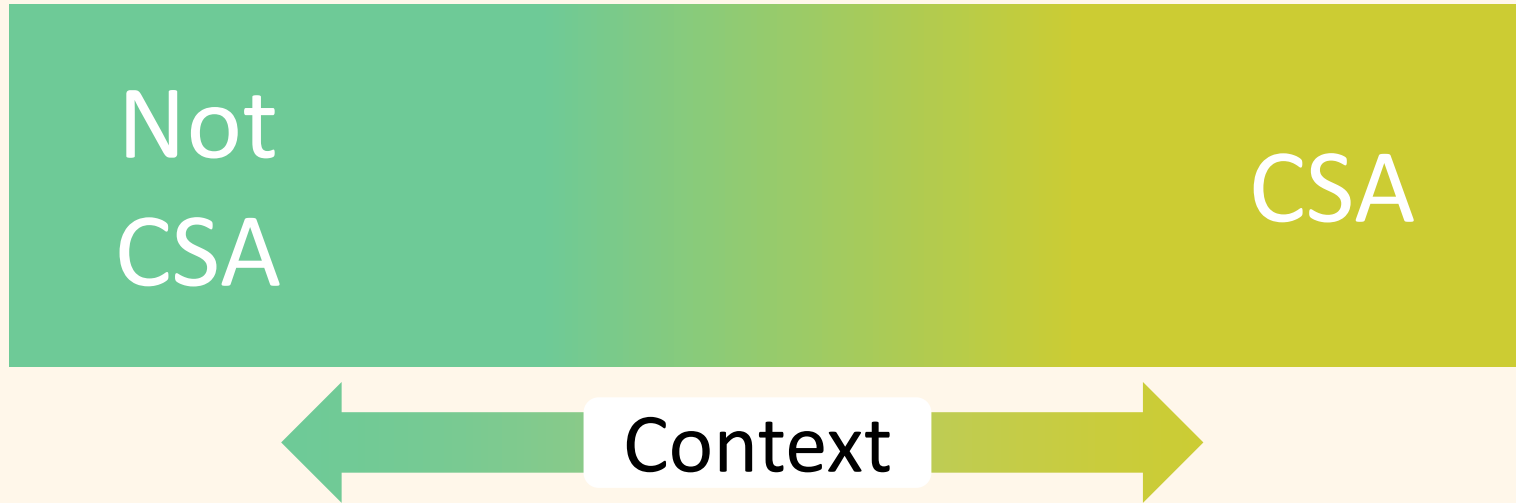


# The Importance of Context

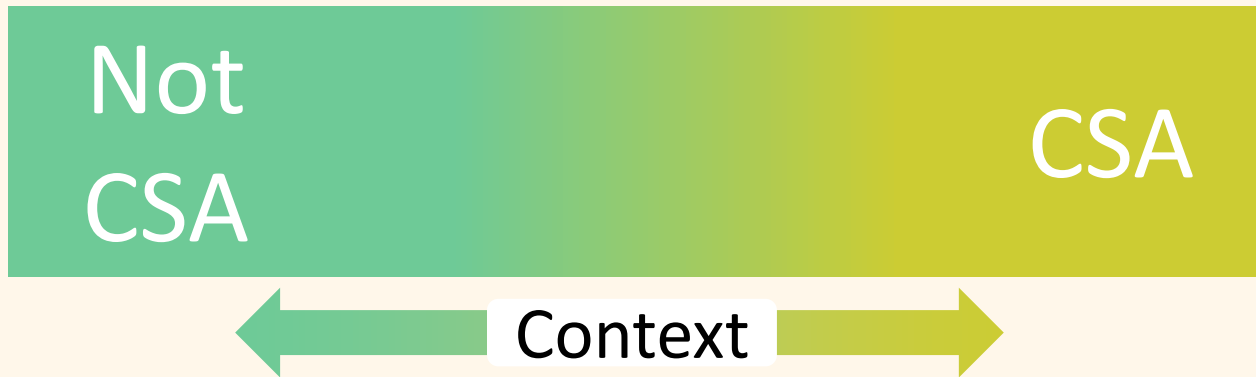


## Conservation Agriculture





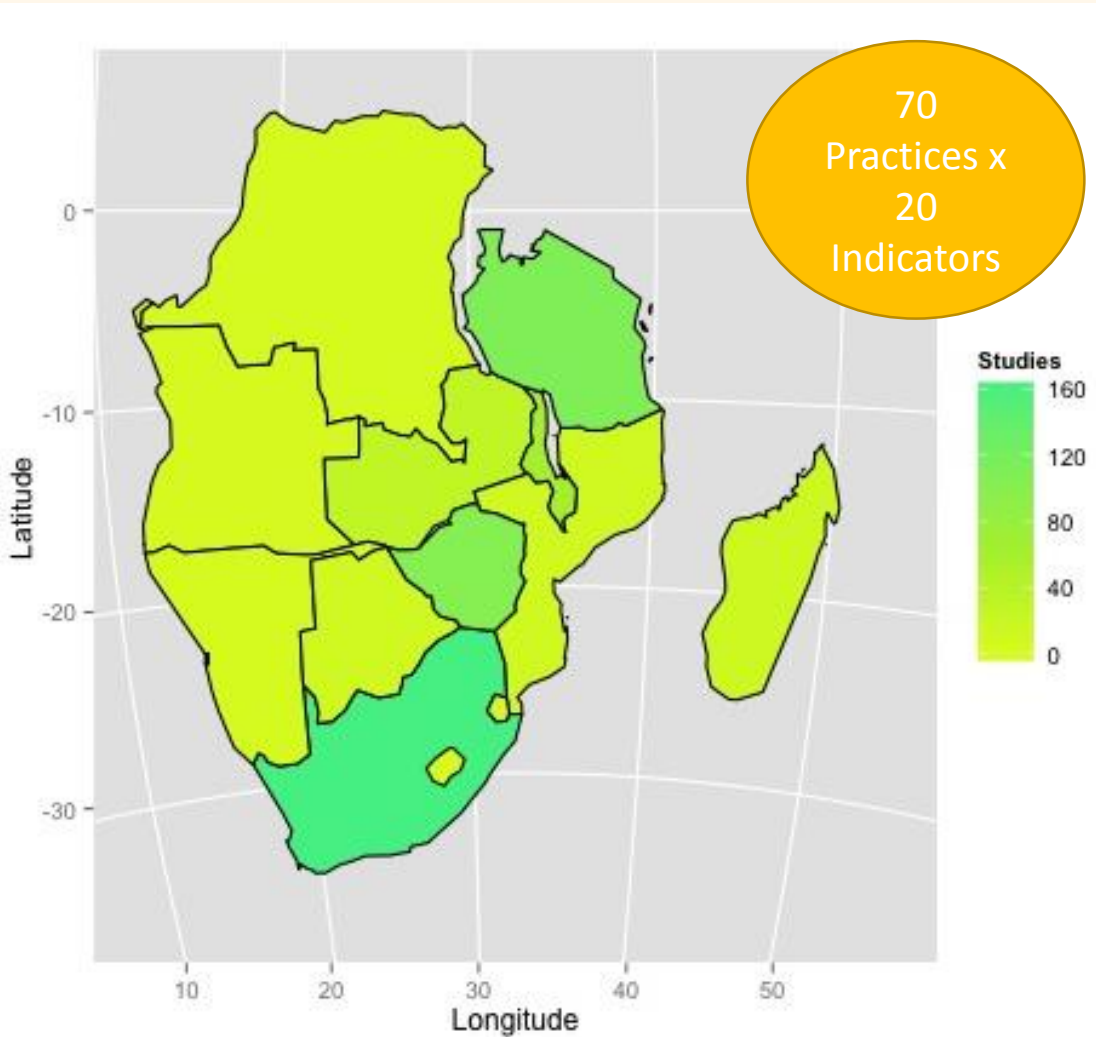
Many practices/programs/policies can  
be CSA **somewhere**  
But **none** are likely CSA everywhere



How do we determine the best-bet practices to scale up?

- Bring together available evidence
  - Understand the context
  - Extrapolate to novel contexts

# What is the Evidence for CSA in Southern Africa?



**Key word search**



~ 6000 studies

**Abstract/title review**



**Full text review**



526 Studies

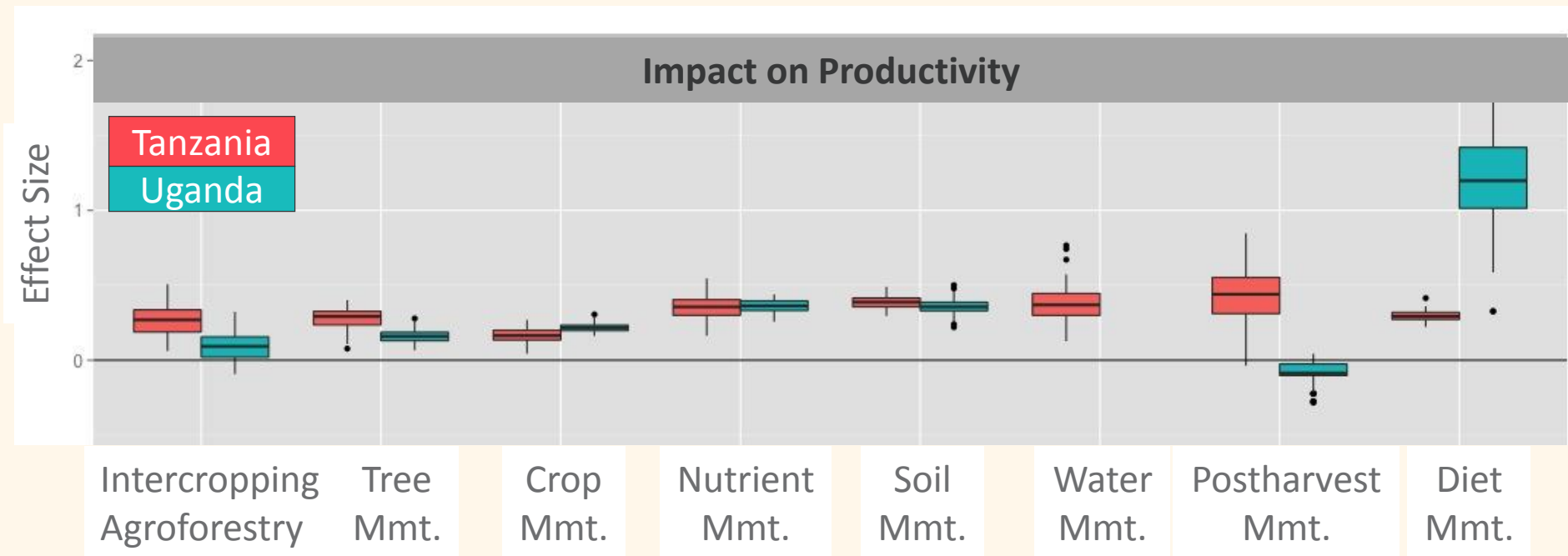
**Data extraction**

~60,000 data points

# Impact of CSA varies...



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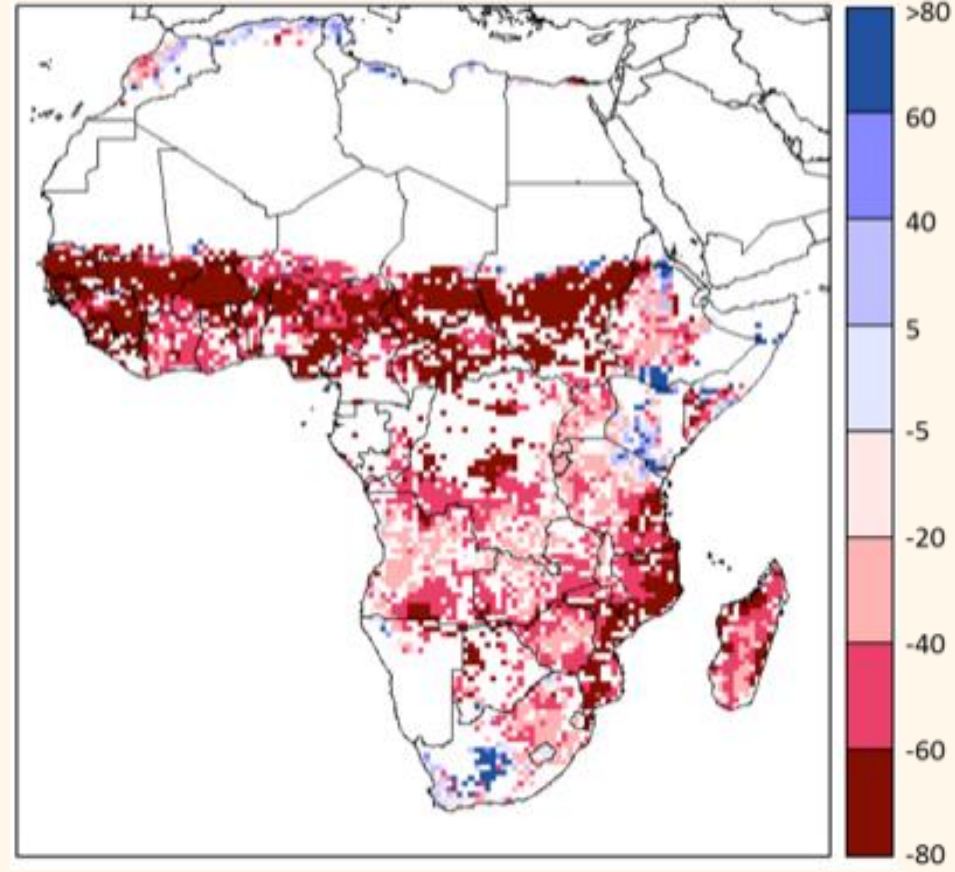
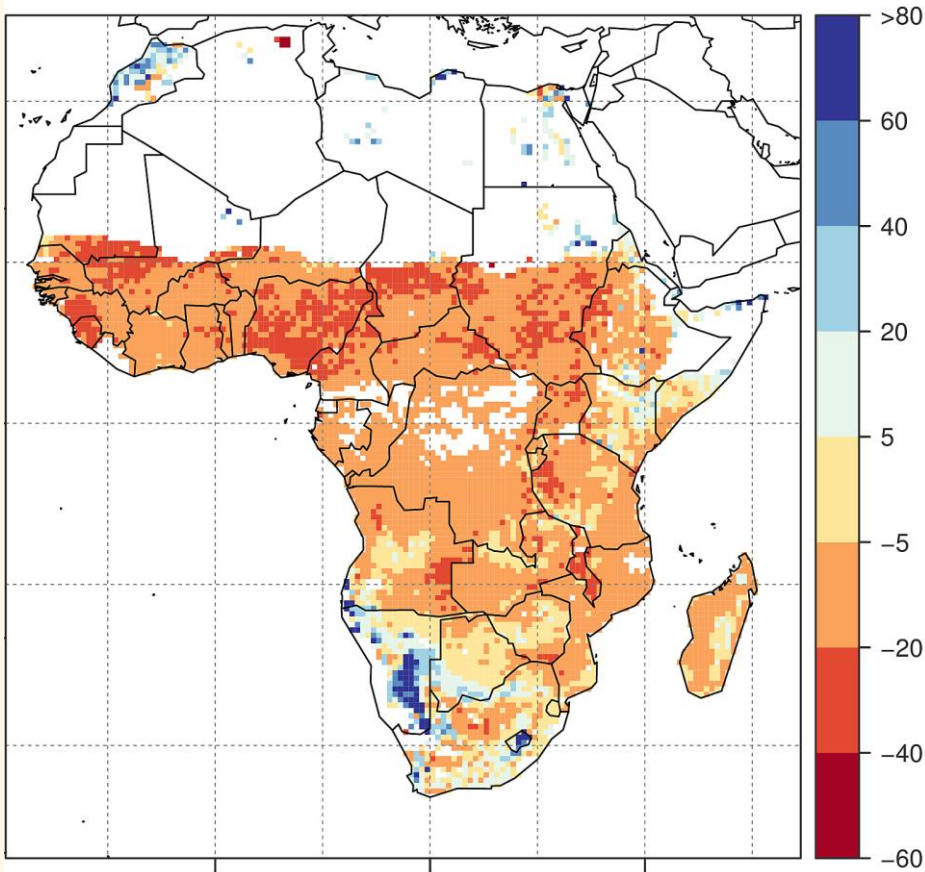
Due to differences in climate, soil, farming system, etc.

# Climate Change Impacts



## Maize

## Beans



Change in production 2050 vs. 1971-2000 under RCP 8.5

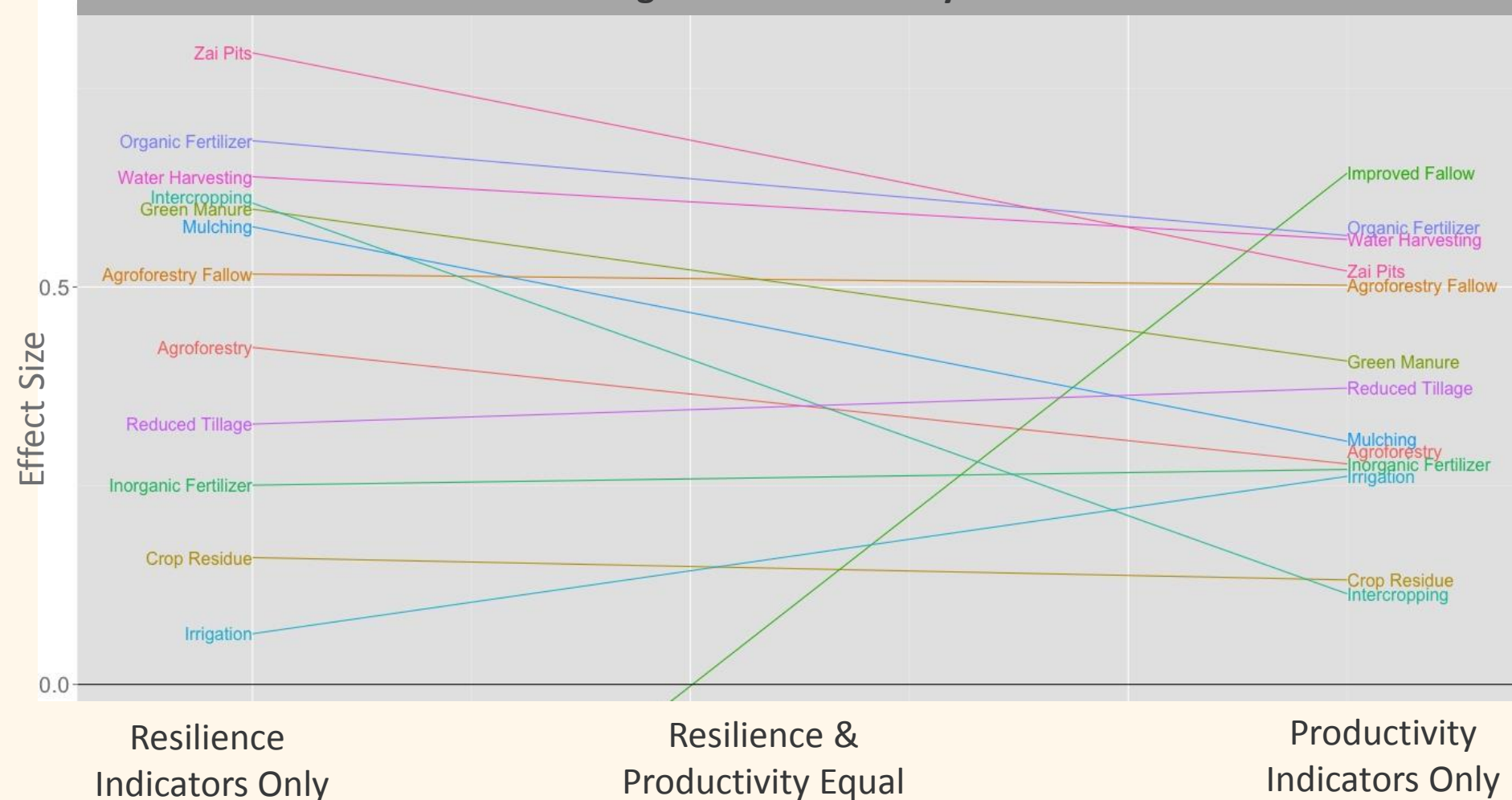


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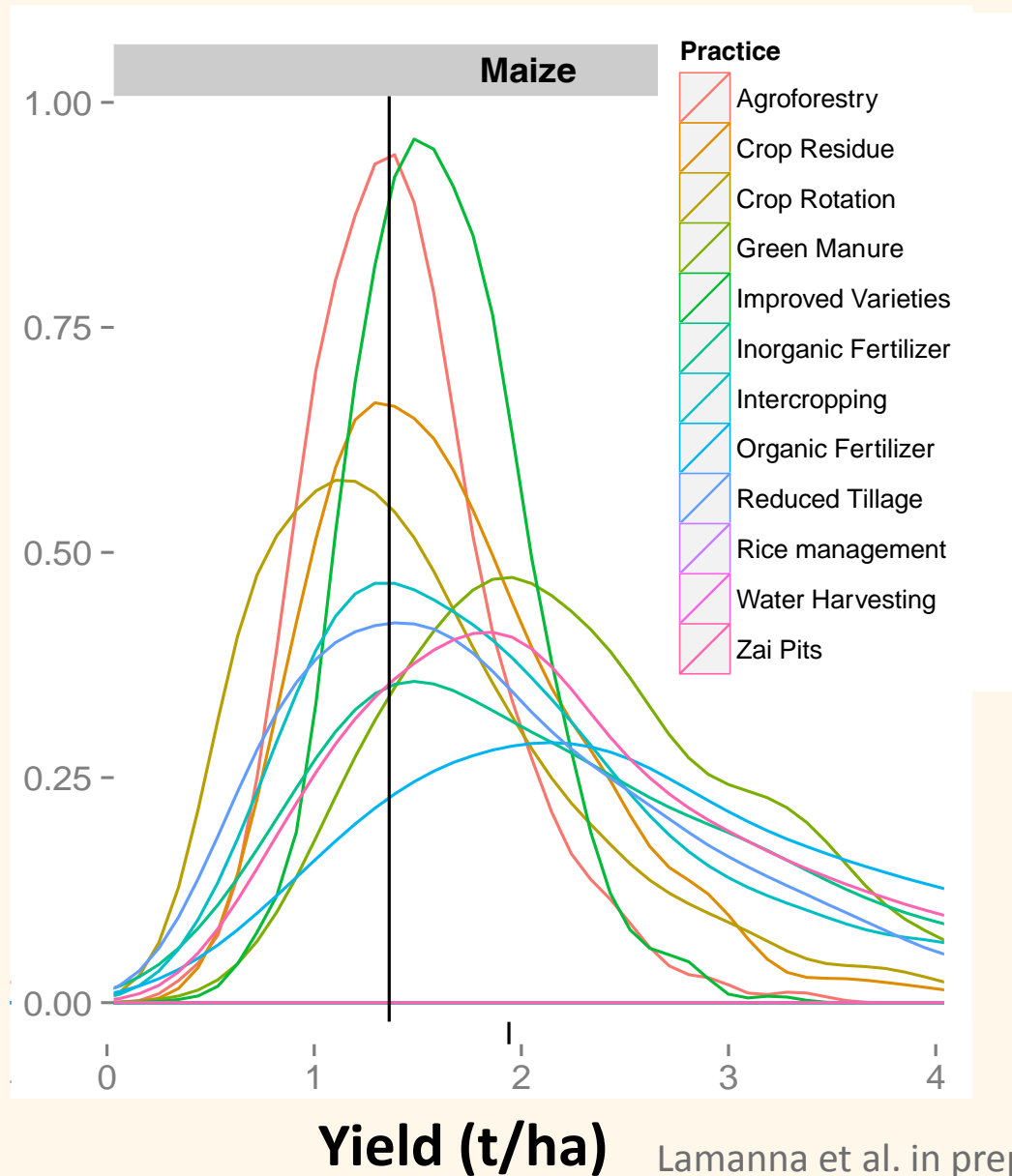
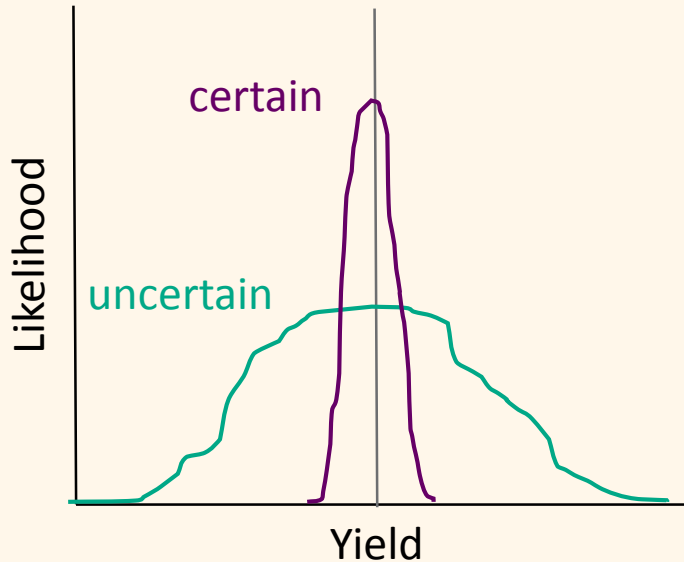
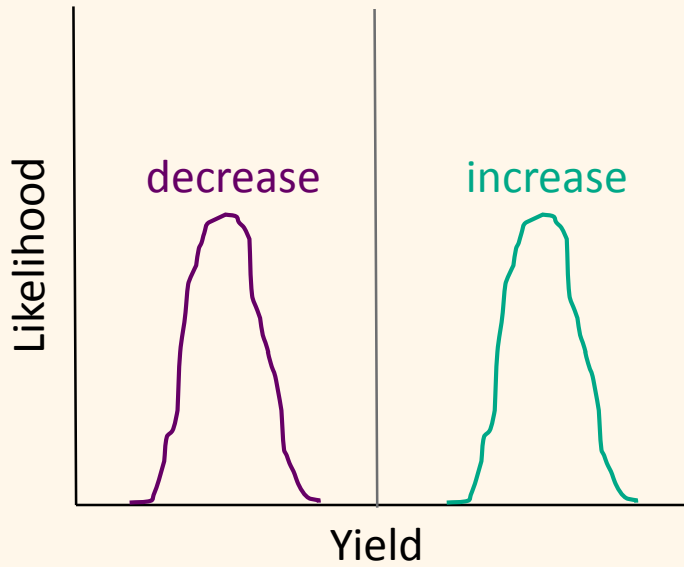


By Outcome:

Prioritizing CSA in Tanzania by Outcome



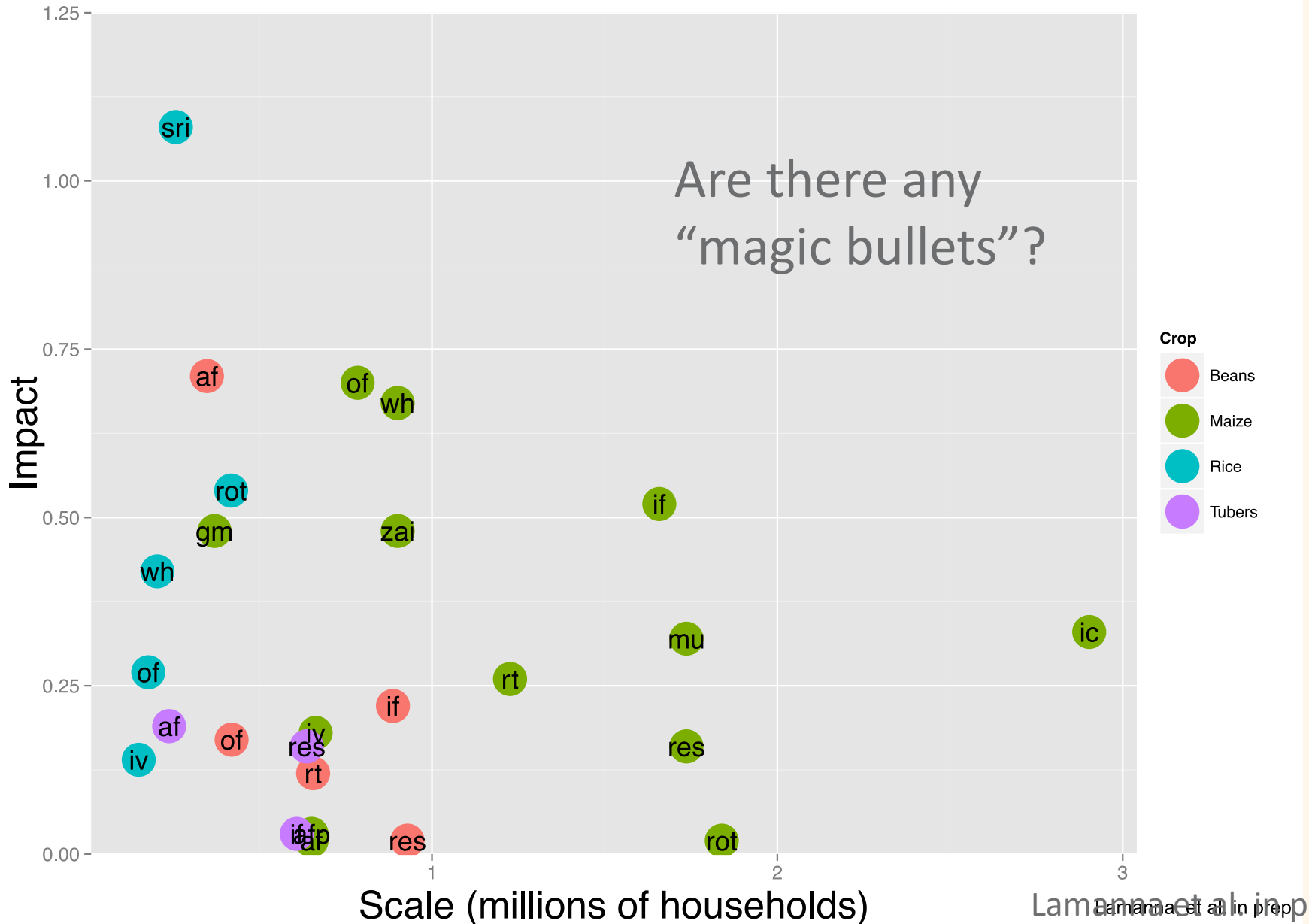
# CSA for Maize in Tanzania



# Risk vs. Reward of CSA



# Impact vs. Scale for CSA

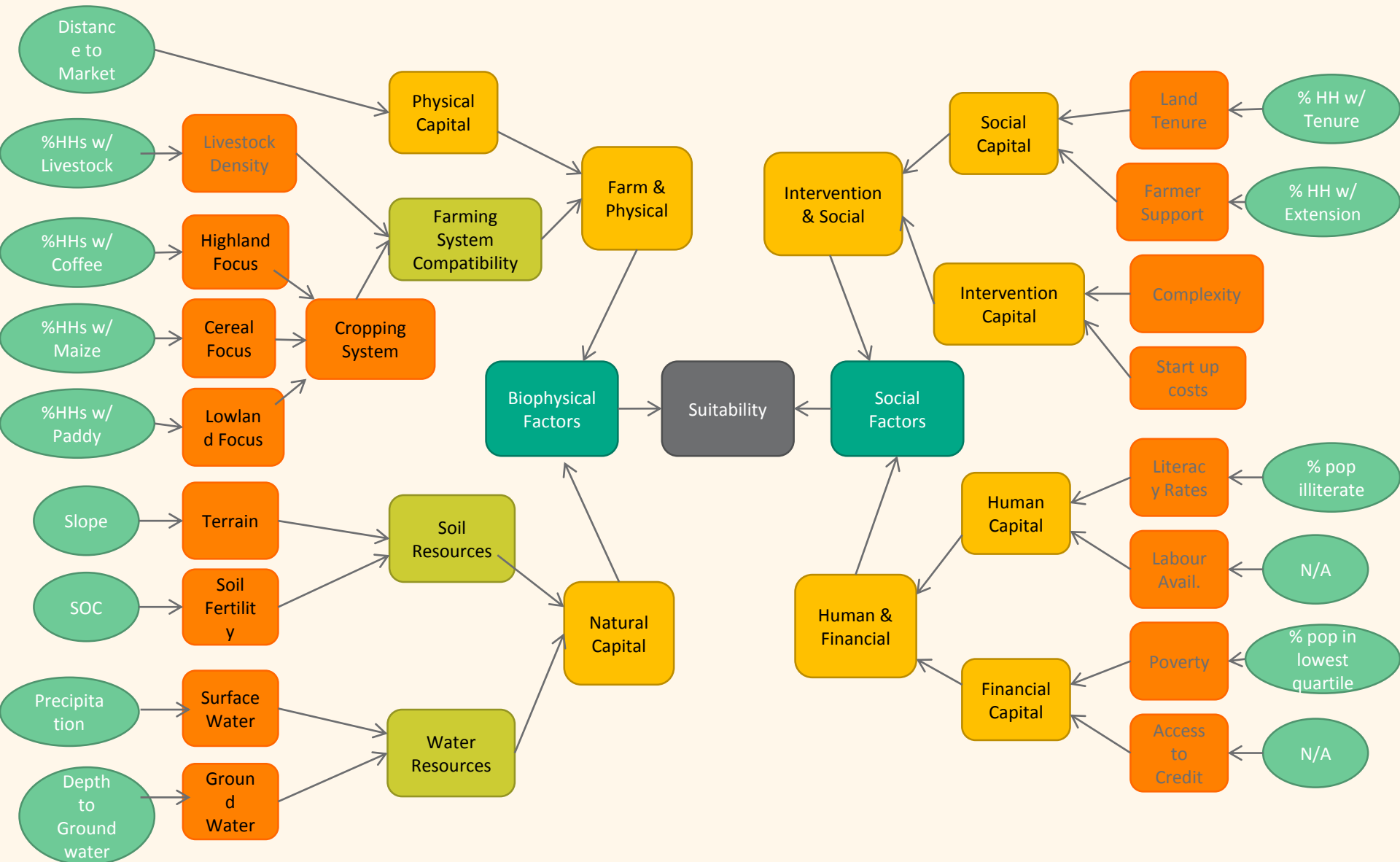


# Closing the Gap



What is the **CONTEXT**?  
What are the **PRIORITIES**?  
What are the **OPTIONS**?

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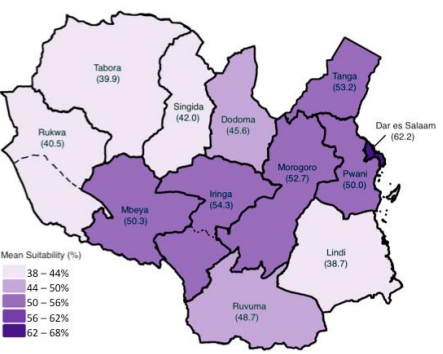
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Sustainable Harvest

## Drip Irrigation

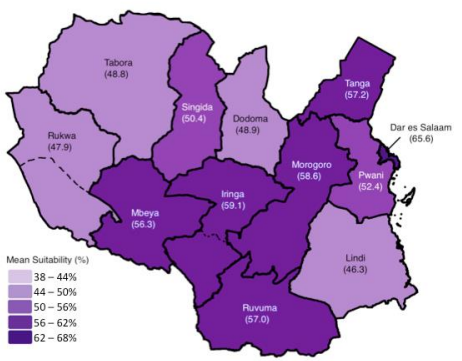
Highest suitability with market access, water availability, and social assets



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## Charco Dams

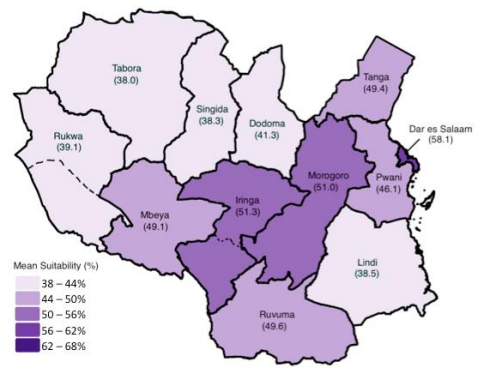
Universally high suitability due to low start up costs and low reliance on social assets



Sustainable Harvest

## Water Harvesting

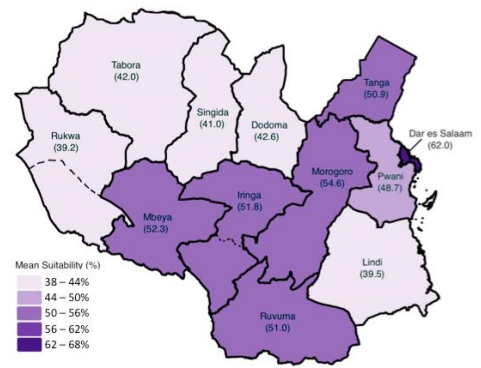
Low overall suitability due to high costs, and high dependence on social, financial and human capital



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## System of Rice Intensification

Highest suitability in rice growing regions



Representation of CSA option suitability that accounts for local context and knowledge, stakeholder preferences, and uncertainty

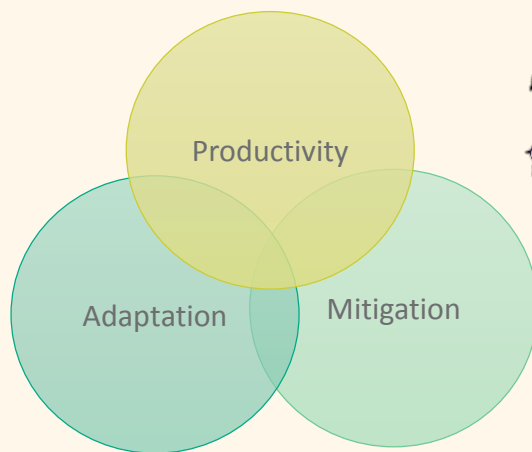
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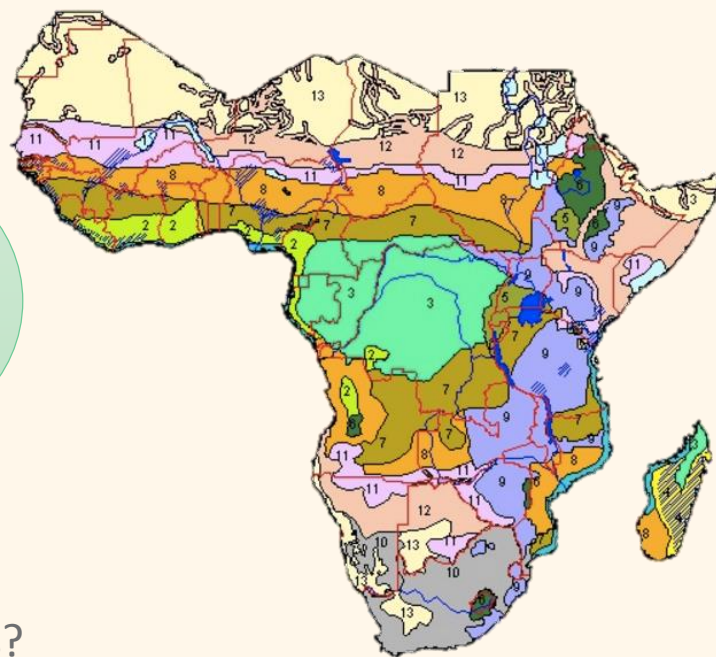
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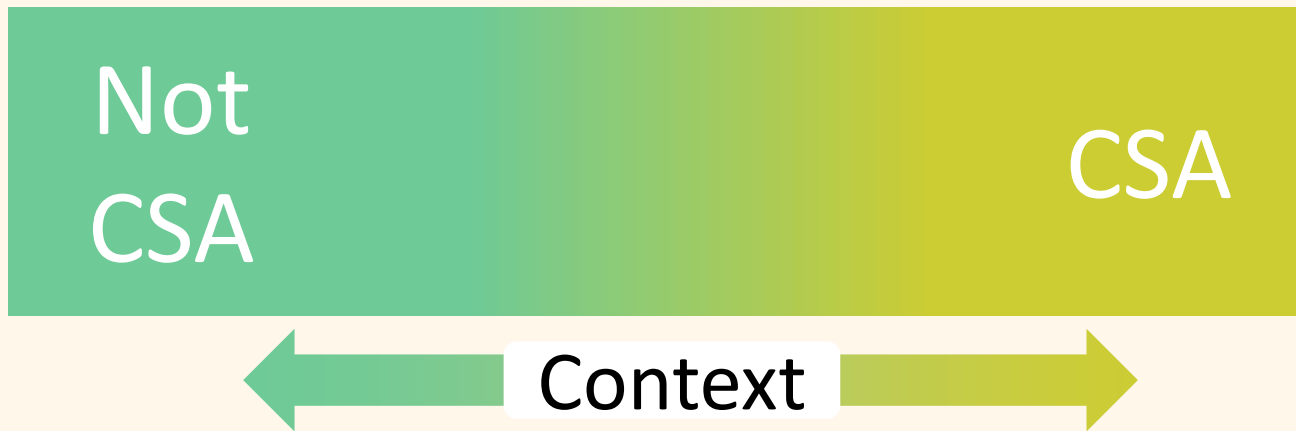
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## Many Contexts





# There are likely no magic bullets



Prioritization is key to achieving CSA goals:

- What outcomes are most important?
  - For whom? And where?
  - Consider uncertainties
- Bring together local stakeholders + relevant data

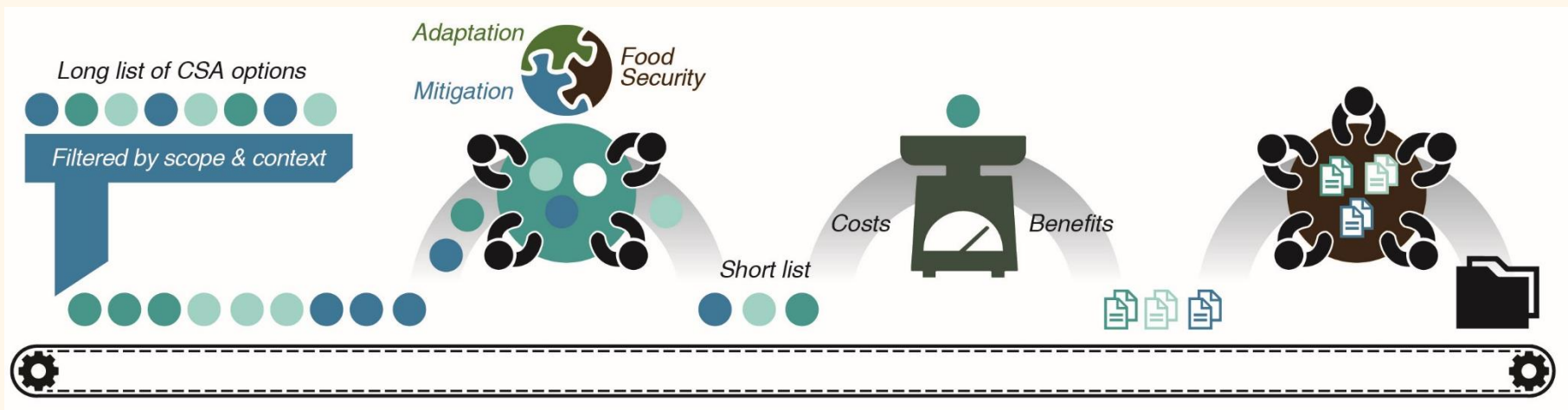
# Priorities Matter to CSA Programs



Equal Adaptation & Productivity	Adaptation Only	Productivity Only	Maize Yield Only	Maize Yield considering adoption rates
Green Manure	Green Manure	Green Manure	Organic Fertilizer	Inorganic Fertilizer
Mulching	Organic Fertilizer	Water Harvesting	Water Harvesting	Intercropping
Organic Fertilizer	Mulching	Mulching	Inorganic Fertilizer	Water Harvesting
Water Harvesting	Reduced Tillage	Agroforestry	Green Manure	Organic Fertilizer
Pruning	Crop Residue	Organic Fertilizer	Zai Pits	Zai Pits
Inorganic Fertilizer	Pruning	Inorganic Fertilizer	Intercropping	Mulching
Agroforestry	Inorganic Fertilizer	Pruning	Mulching	Reduced Tillage
Crop Residue	Intercropping	Intercropping	Reduced Tillage	Crop Residue
Reduced Tillage	Agroforestry	Crop Residue	Improved Variety	Green Manure
Intercropping	Water Harvesting	Reduced Tillage	Crop Residue	Crop Rotation
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# CSA Prioritization Framework

Filters for selecting CSA investment portfolios



\*Analysis of context variables



**Long list of CSA practices**

\*Ex-ante assessment based on CSA indicators

\*Stakeholder workshop



**Ranked short list of priorities**

\*Economic analysis – assess costs and benefits



**Ranked short list based on CBA**

\*Integrated analysis of opportunities & constraints

\* Stakeholder workshop



**CSA investment portfolios**

# CSA-Plan



Engagement

## Situation Analysis

Risks and Enabling Conditions

Vulnerability & Impacts + Readiness

Stocktaking  
for CSA  
Action

## Targeting & Prioritizing

Practices, Programs and Policies

Trade-offs & Value for Money

CSA  
Investment  
Portfolios

## Programing Design

Guidelines & Implementation

Knowledge into Action

Taking CSA  
to Scale

## Monitoring and Evaluation

Across Scales and Systems

Evidence Based Results Framework

Learning  
from  
Experience

Capacity development



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