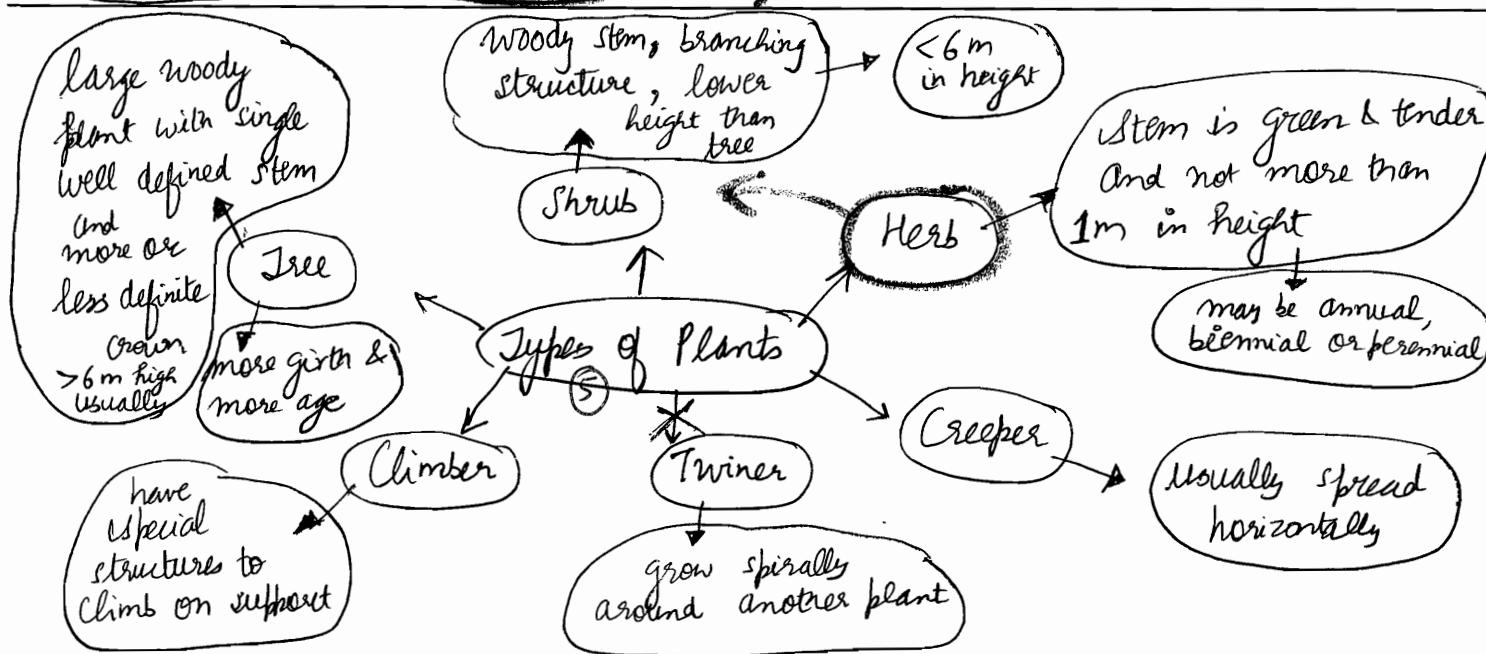
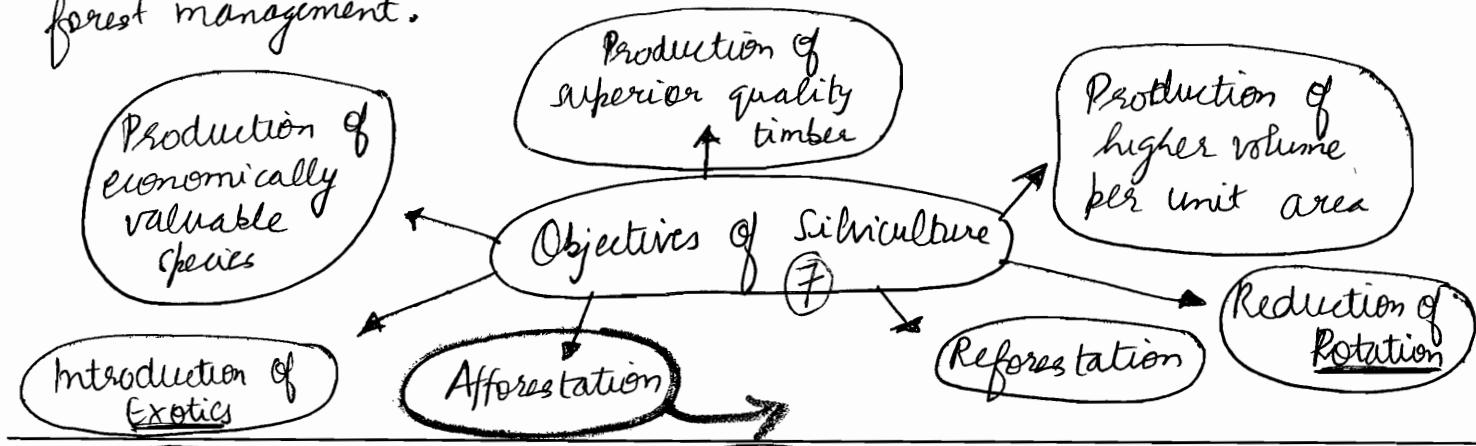


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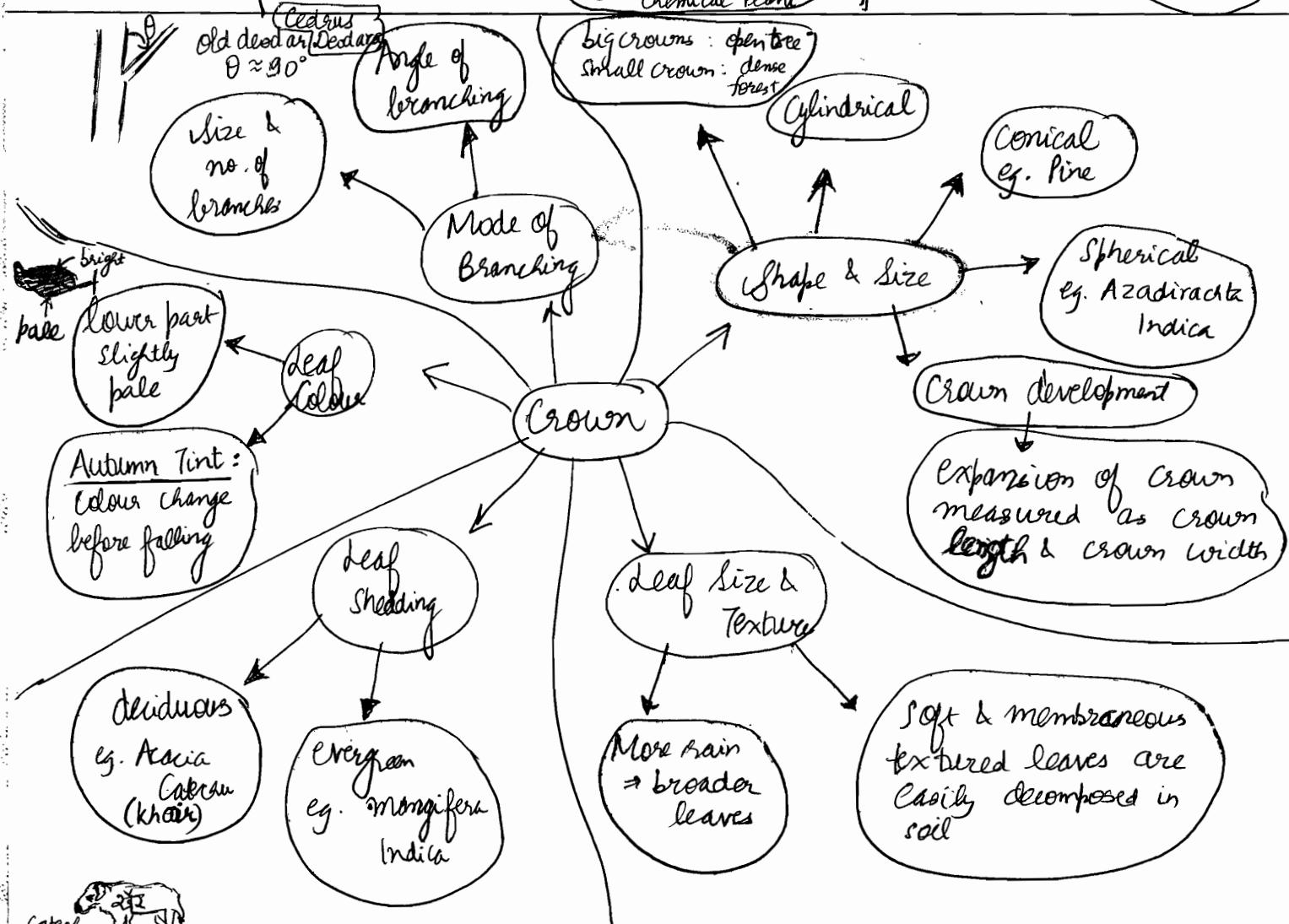
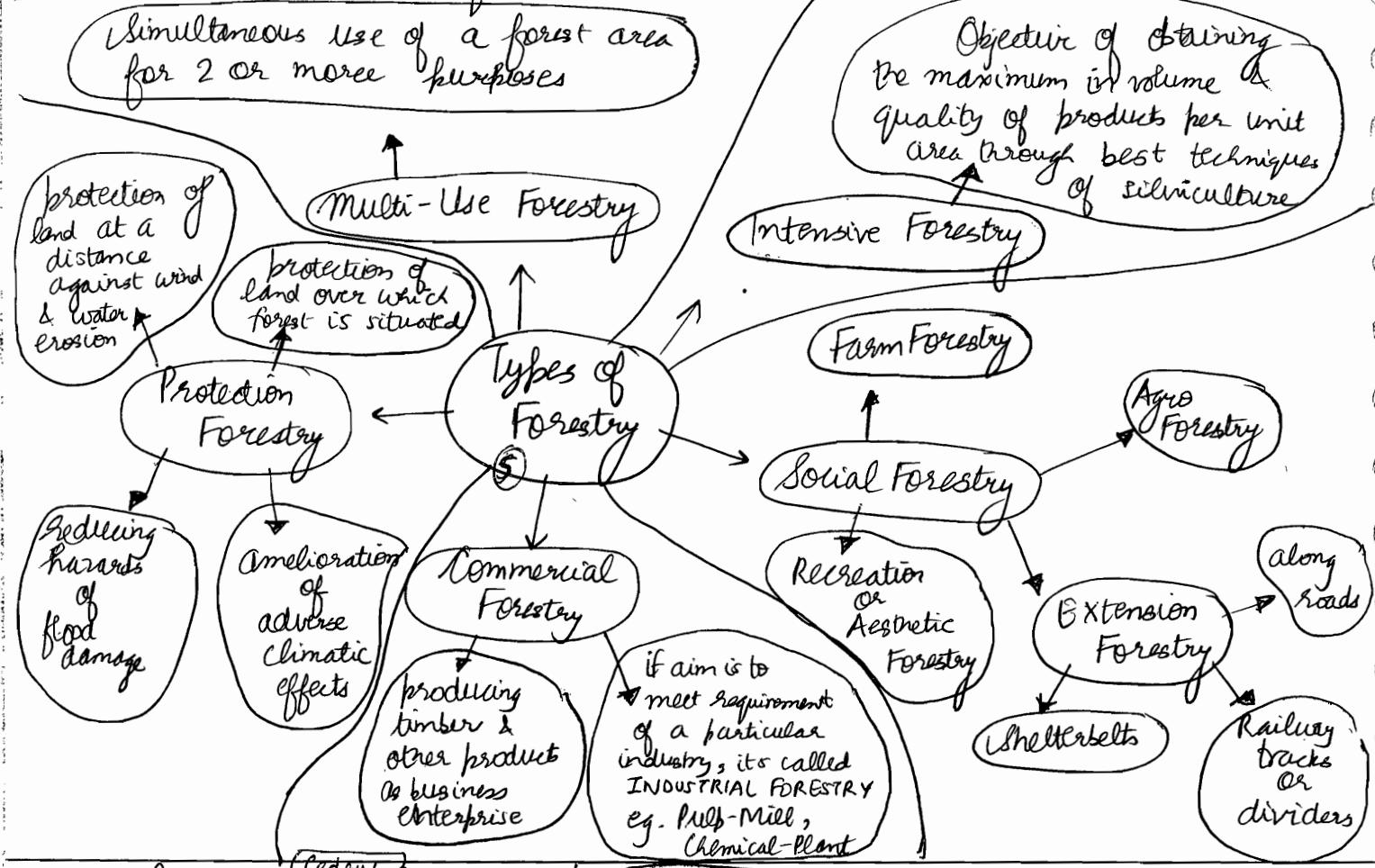
## SILVICULTURE

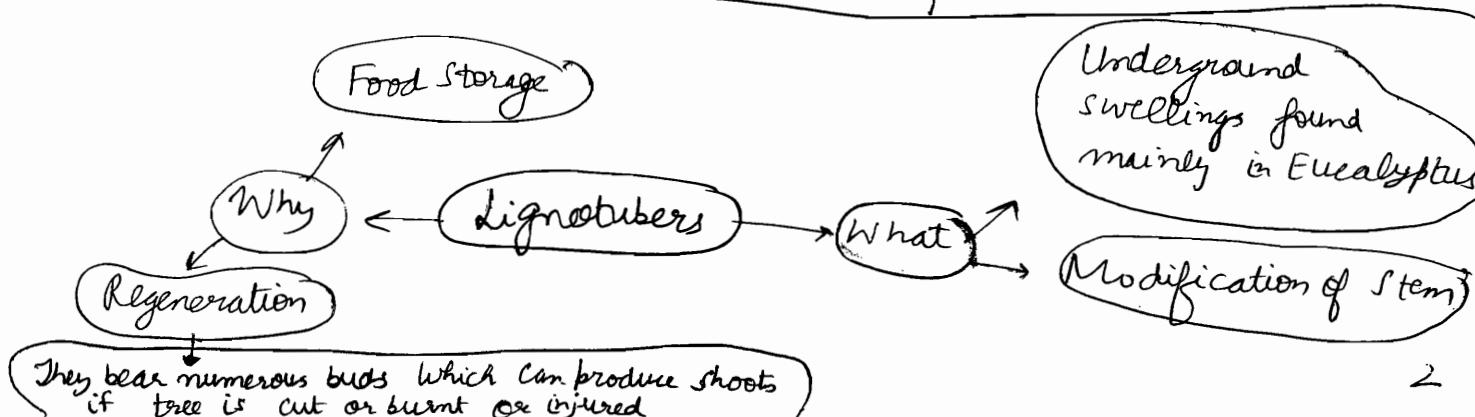
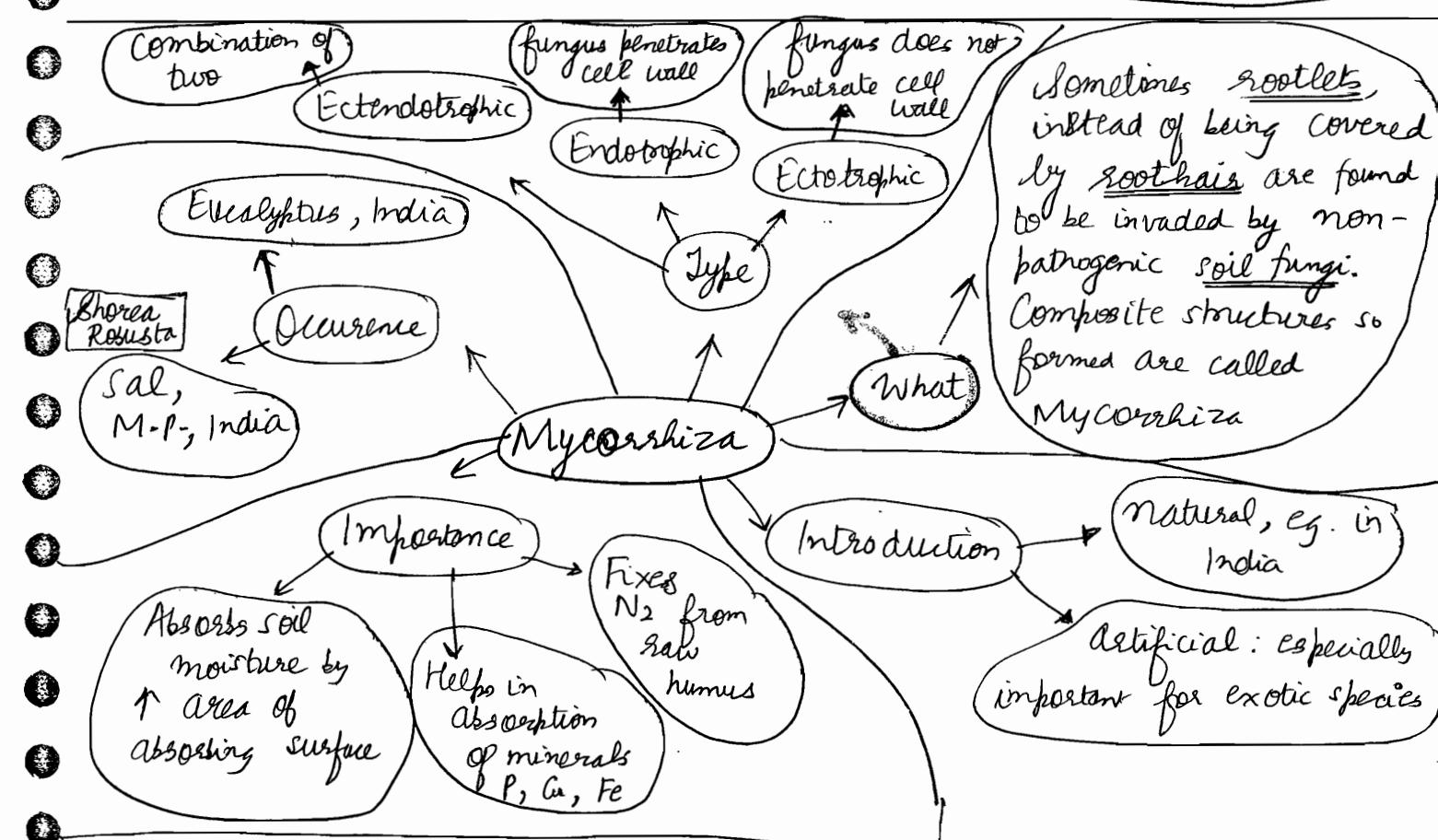
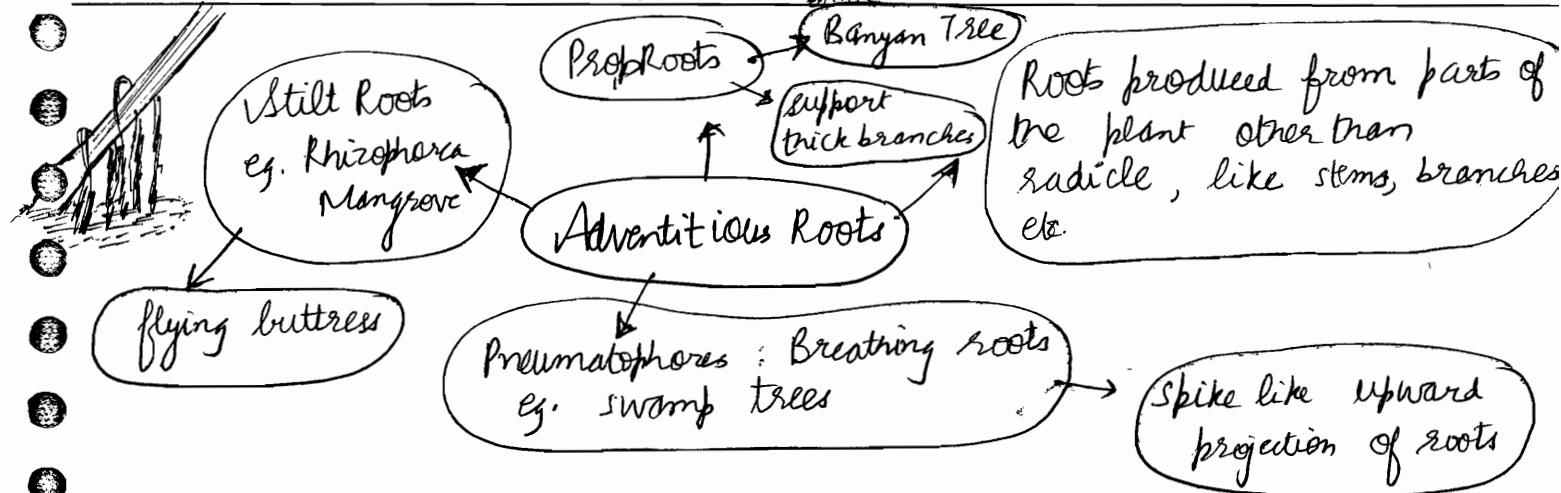
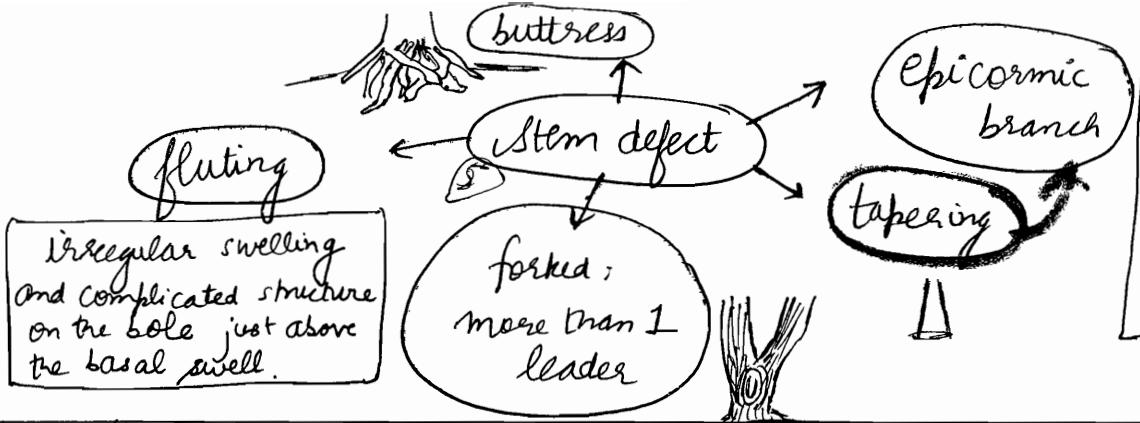
**Silviculture** is the branch of forestry that deals with establishment, development, care and reproduction of stands of timber. It includes various other forest sciences including <sup>①</sup>forest protection, <sup>②</sup>mensuration, <sup>③</sup>fertilization, <sup>④</sup>forest economics and <sup>⑤</sup>forest management.

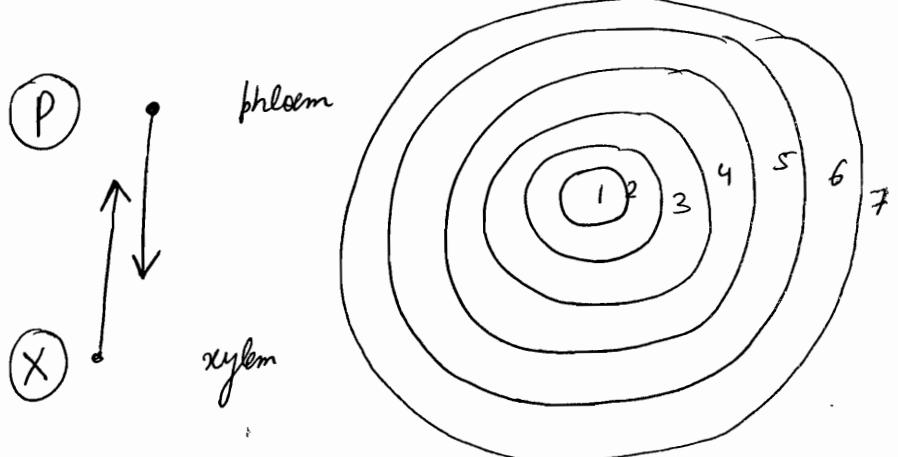
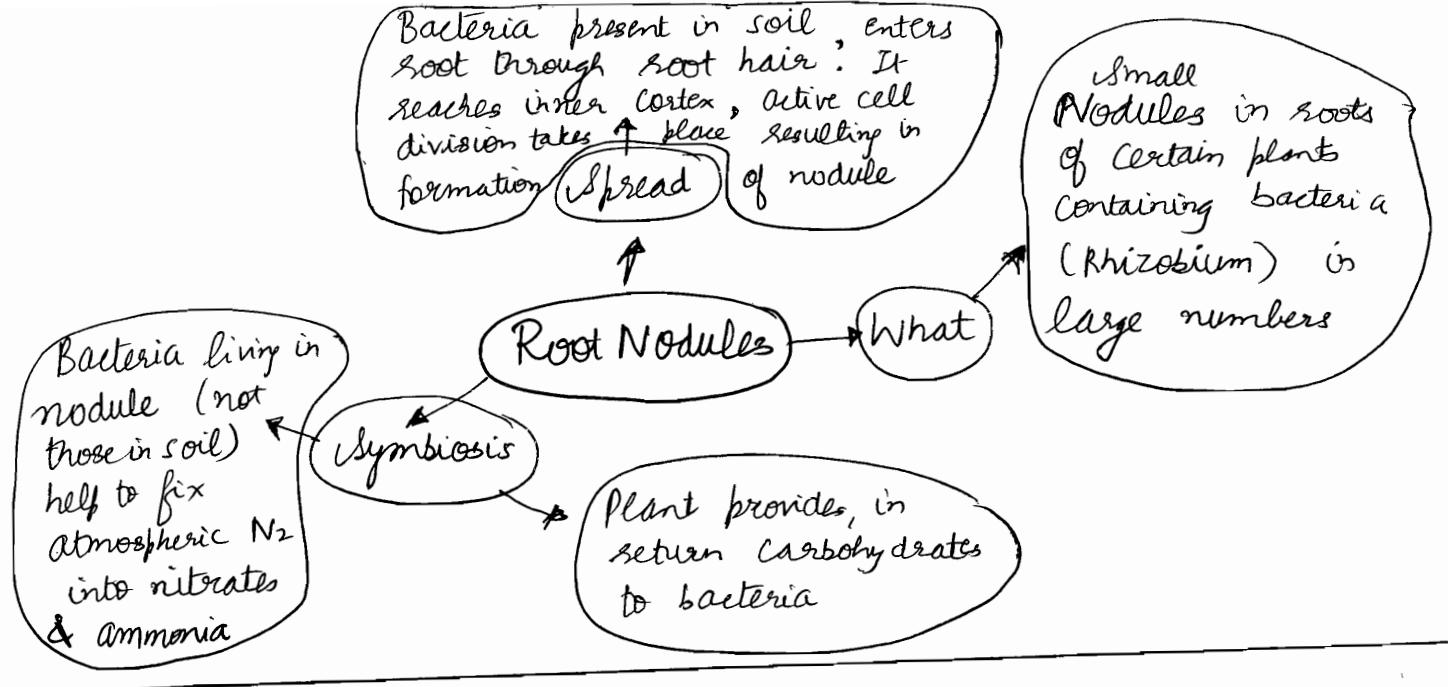


- ① Seed → seedling → sapling → Pole → Tree
- ② Natural forest uninfluenced by human activity is called **Virgin Forest**. Although nature is capable of maintaining forests object of study of silviculture & its practice is purely economic i.e. to produce more useful & valuable forests than nature would do & that too in a shorter time.
- ③ **Rotation**: The planned number of years between regeneration of a crop & its final felling.
- ④ **Exotic**: Not native to the area; opposite: indigenous

○ Regeneration : to renew a forest crop by natural or artificial means.







1. Pith
2. Xylem अंदर दी होगा ताकि पानी बाहर leak न कर पाए
3. Phloem
4. Sclerenchyma
5. Cortex
6. Epidermis
7. Periderm (Bark)

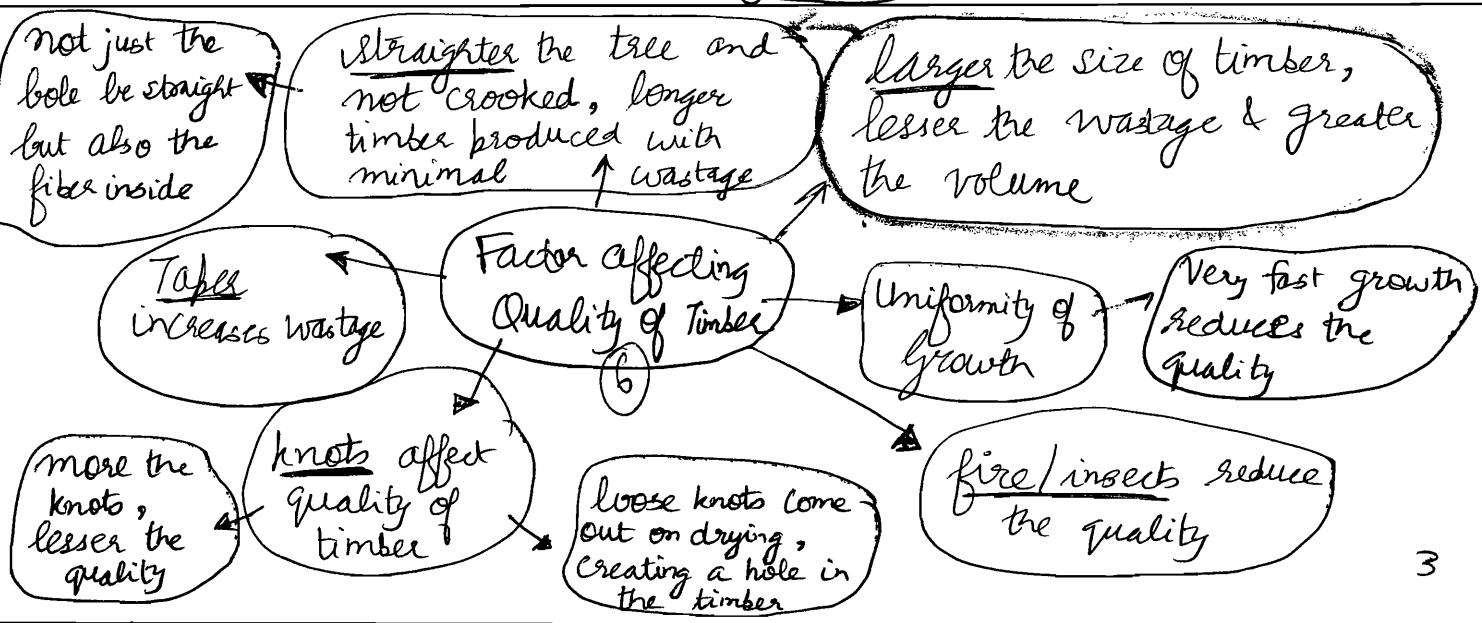
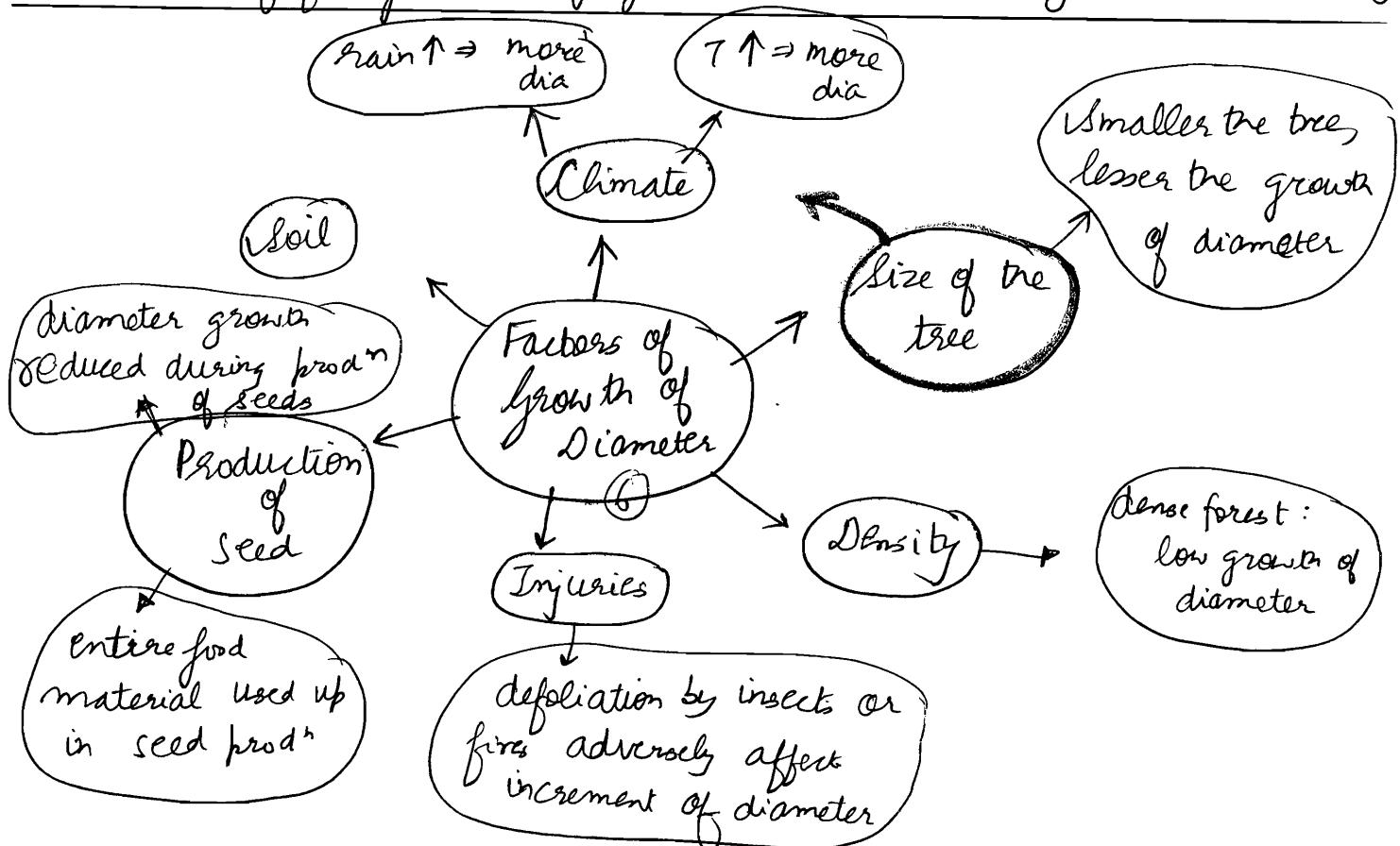
Sclerenchyma : source of hemp, flax or jute. Its the supporting tissue in plants

Cortex : transportation of materials into the central cylinder of root through diffusion. Also stores food in form of starch.

- ① Growth : increase in size of roots and stem
- development : formation of new organs - like branches, lateral roots
- ② Phenology : science that deals with the time of appearance of characteristic periodic events (leaf shedding etc.) in the life cycle of organisms in nature.
- ③ Meristematic Cells : capacity to divide & give rise to new cells. Important for growth & development.

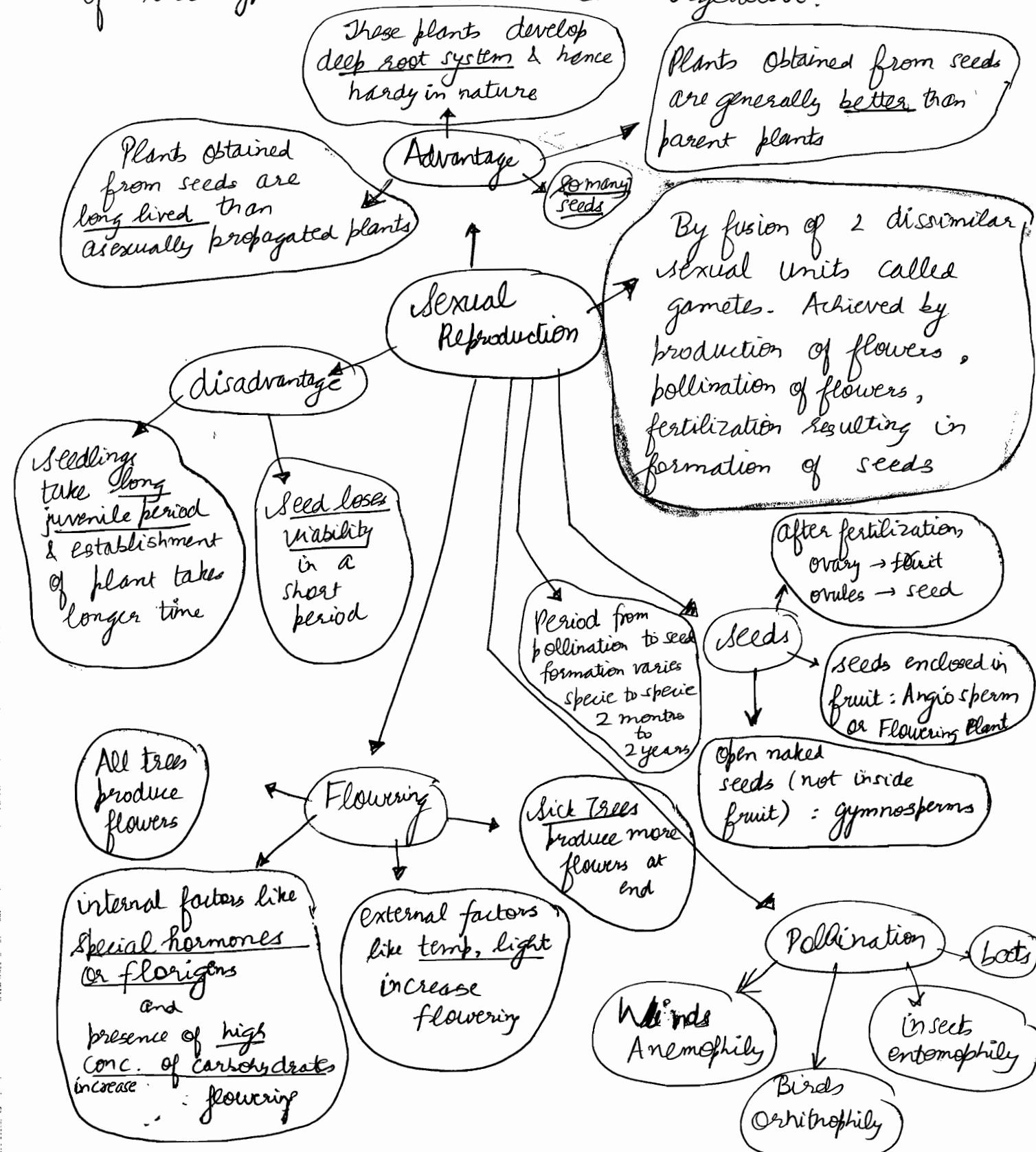
● ○ Annual Rings : Growth in plants is not uniform throughout the year. Generally the periods of rapid growth are preceded by and followed by periods of slow growth, thereby creating difference between wood formed during the two periods, resulting in formation of annual rings.

$$\text{Age of tree} = \begin{cases} \text{No. of rings counted on stump} \\ \text{at time of felling} + \text{No. of years plant took to grow to stump height} \end{cases}$$

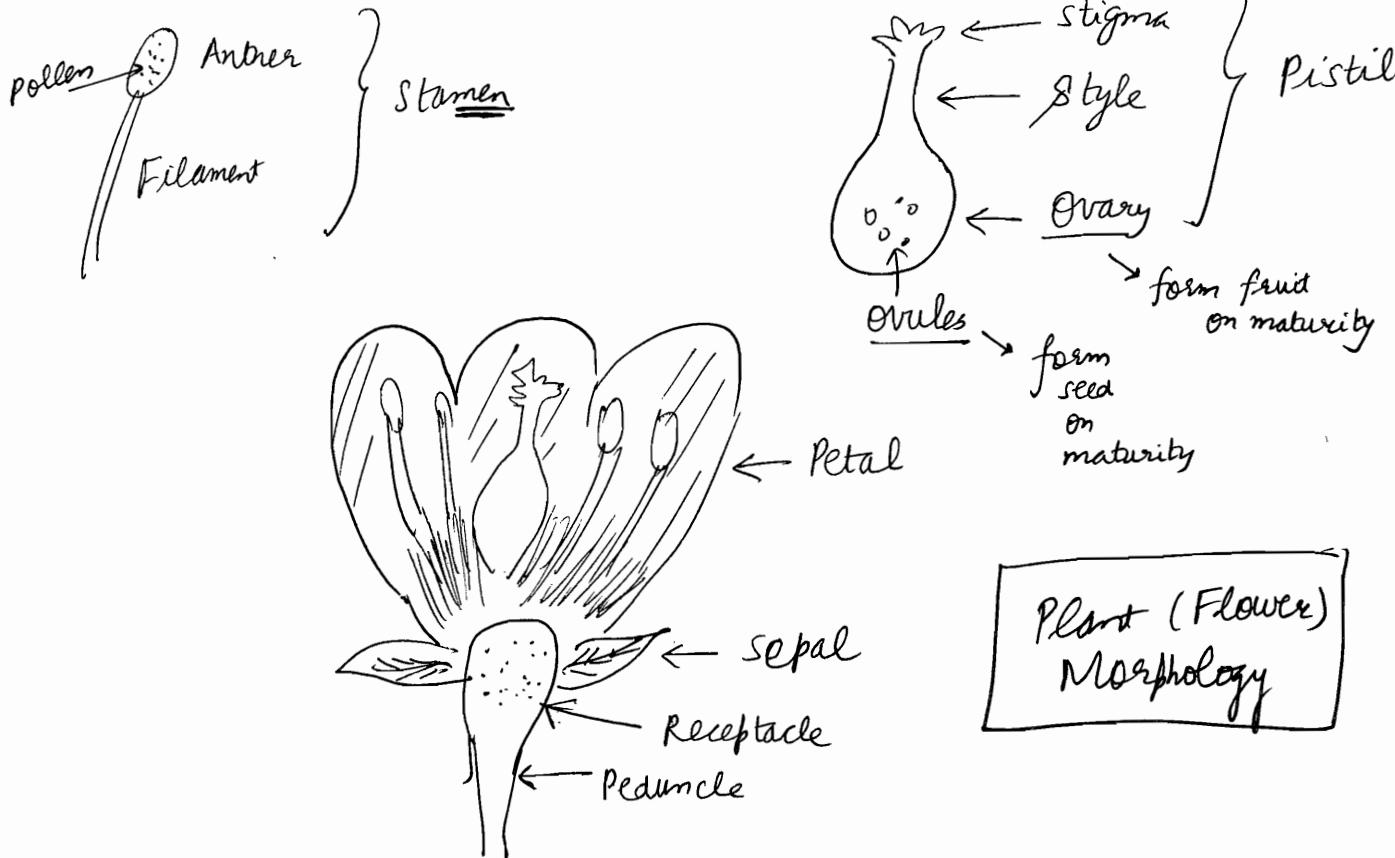


- ① Growth in volume depends on : (1) growth in height  
 (2) growth in diameter  
 (3) taper (~~taper~~  
 $\Rightarrow$  high volume)

- ② **Reproduction** is that vital process by which tree species perpetuate themselves by reproducing new independent members of their own species. Reproduction in trees is of two types : Sexual and Vegetative.



- ① Bisexual flowers : both sexes in 1 flower i.e. stamen & pistil
- ② Unisexual flowers : single sex on 1 flower



### ③ Unisexual

2 plant viz.

Dioecious (male & female flowers may be  
on different individuals or  
plants)

Monoeious  
(male & female  
flowers on same  
individual or  
plant)

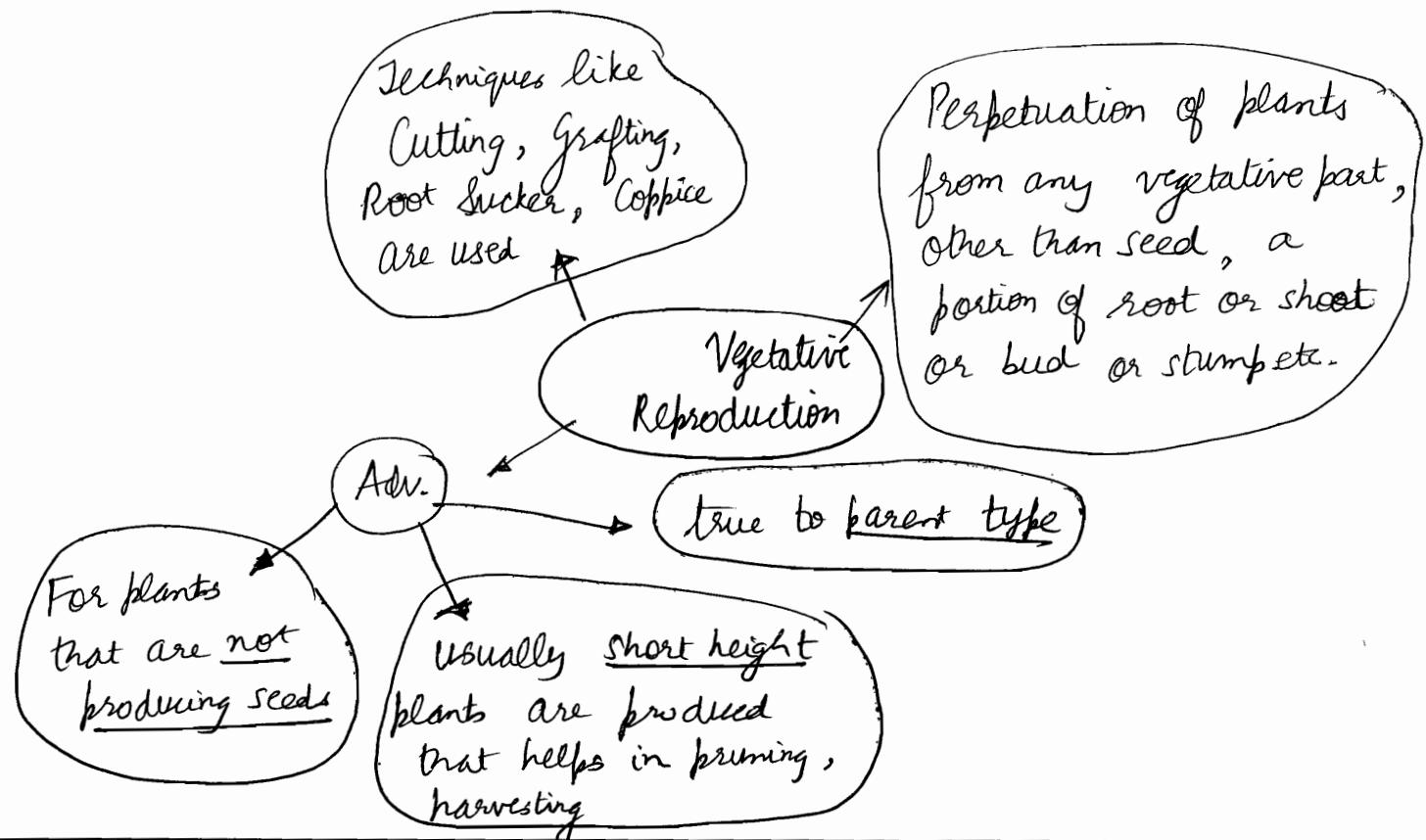
viz. 1 plant

④ Polygamous : Have both unisexual & bisexual flowers.

⑤ Regeneration : Renewal of a forest crop by natural or artificial means.

⑥ Increment : increase in growth (2πr), diameter, basal area, height, volume, quality or value of individual trees or crops during a given period

⑦ Canopy : Cover of branches and foliage formed by crowns of trees in a forest. Closed Canopy is the one in which crowns touch each other.



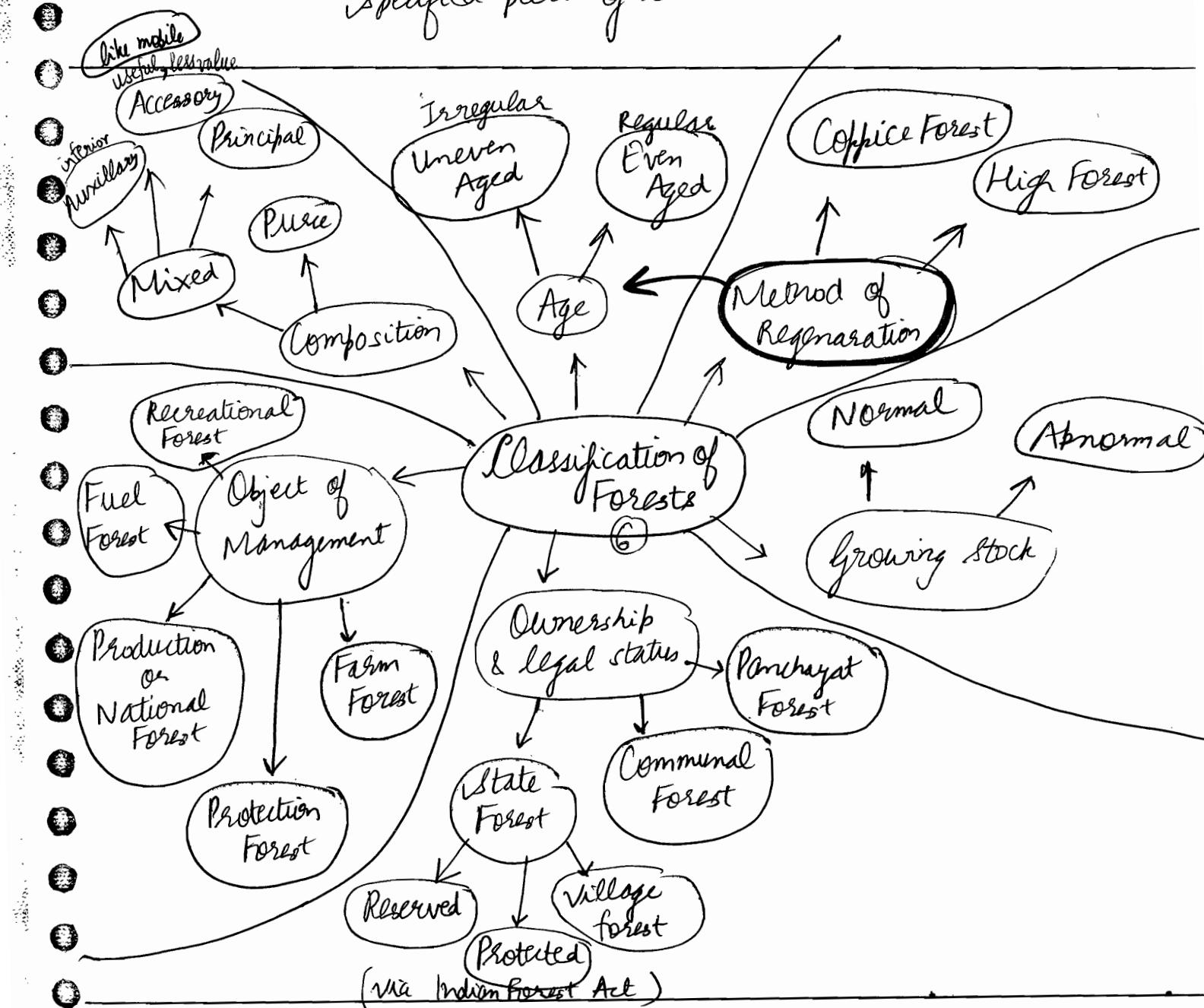
- ① **Forest** is defined as a plant community predominantly of trees and other woody vegetation, usually with a closed canopy.
- ② **Stand** is defined as an aggregation of trees occupying a specific area, uniform in composition (species), age, arrangement & condition. Unit of silviculture is a stand.
- ③ **Yield** : material that a forest can yield annually (or periodically) in perpetuity.
- ④ **High Forest** : Crop of trees originated from seeds.
- ⑤ **Coppice Forest** : forests derived mainly from coppice shoots or root suckers.
- ⑥ **Selection Forest** : Uneven aged crop containing, theoretically, all age groups of trees. Managed under selection system.
- ⑦ **Composition** : Various species that form a forest crop & their proportion in it.

○ Reserved forests are highly sanct.

Reserved : list of do's

Protected : list of don'ts

○ **growing stock** : stem (by number & volume) of all the trees growing in the forest or a specified part of it.

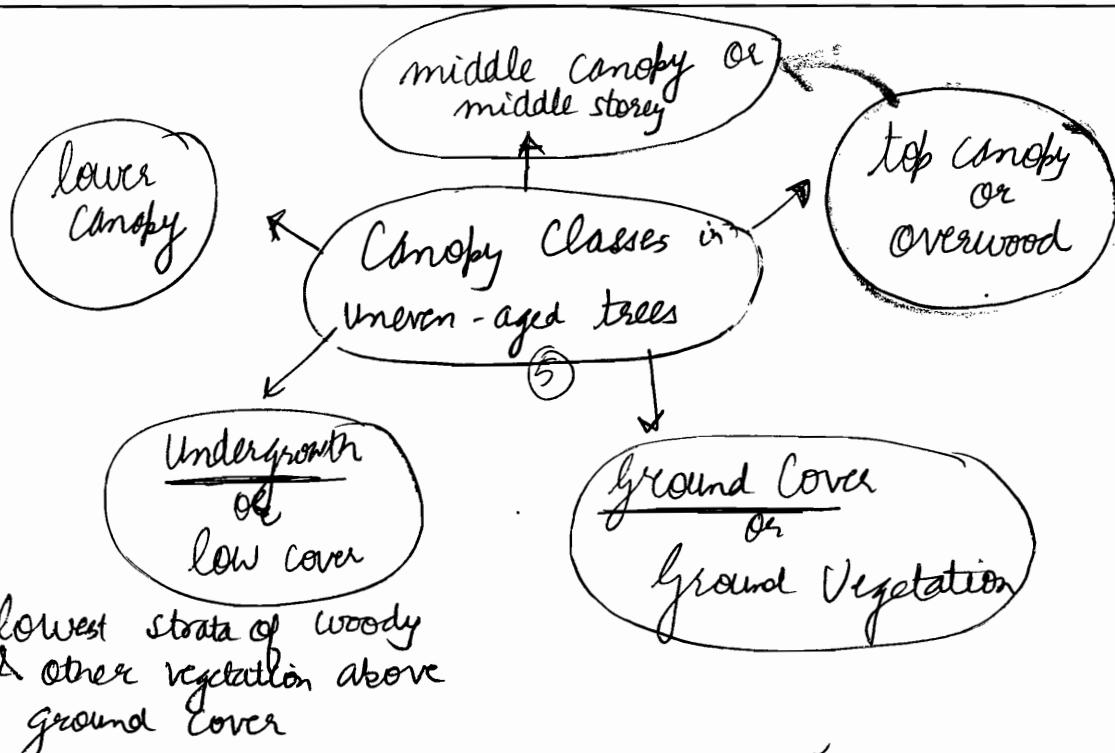
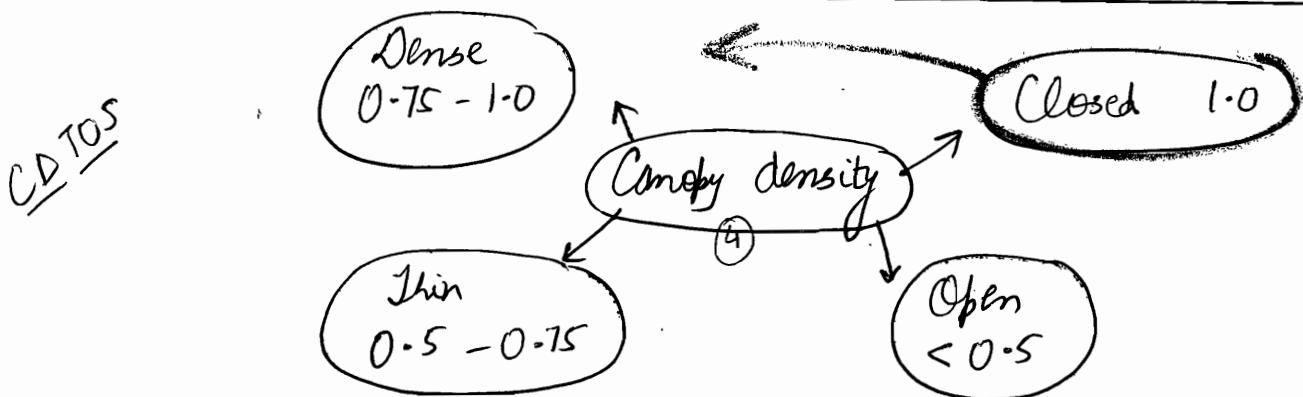
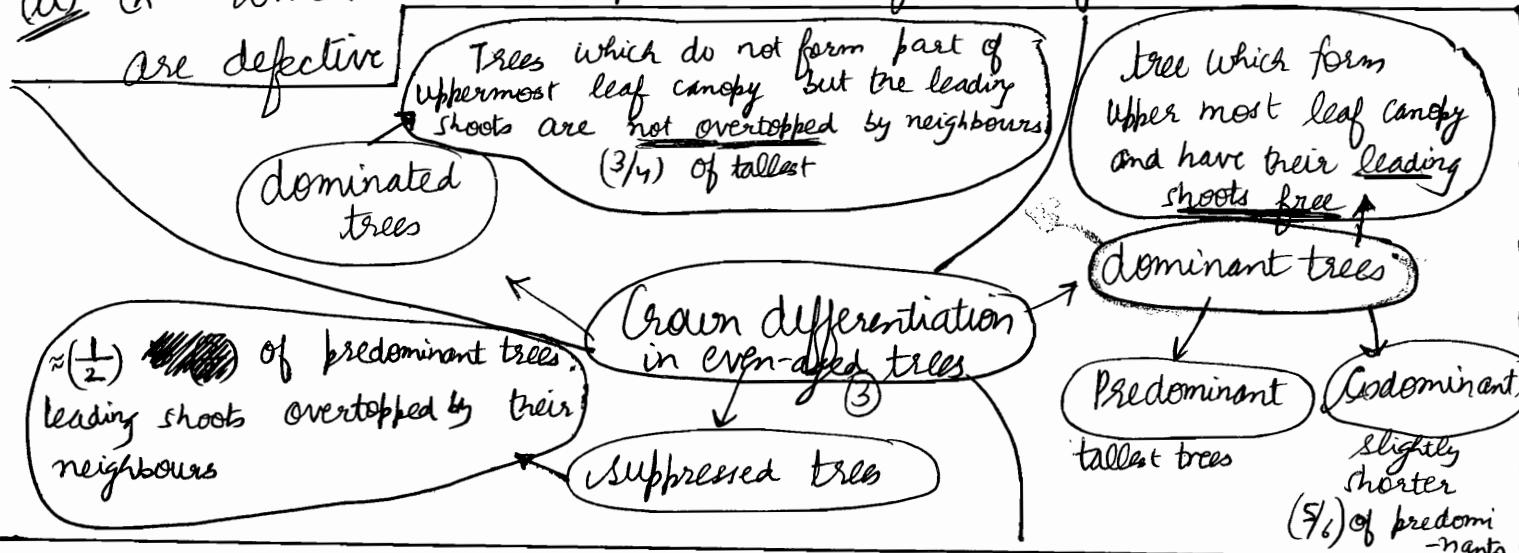


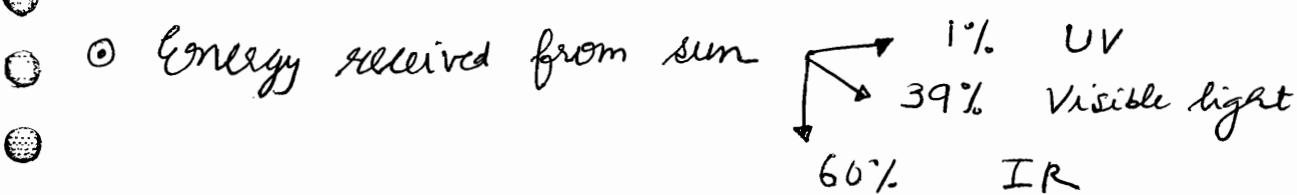
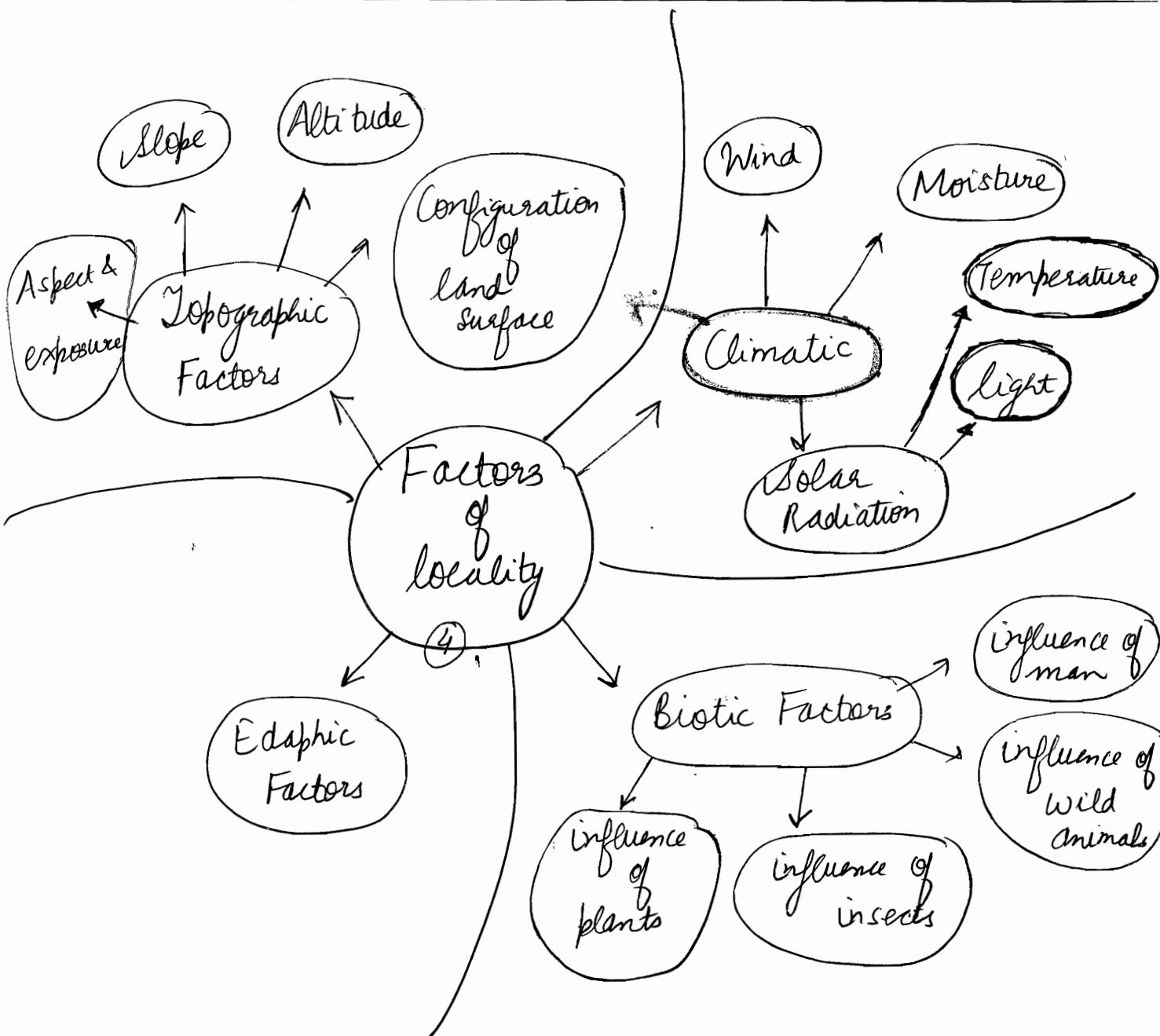
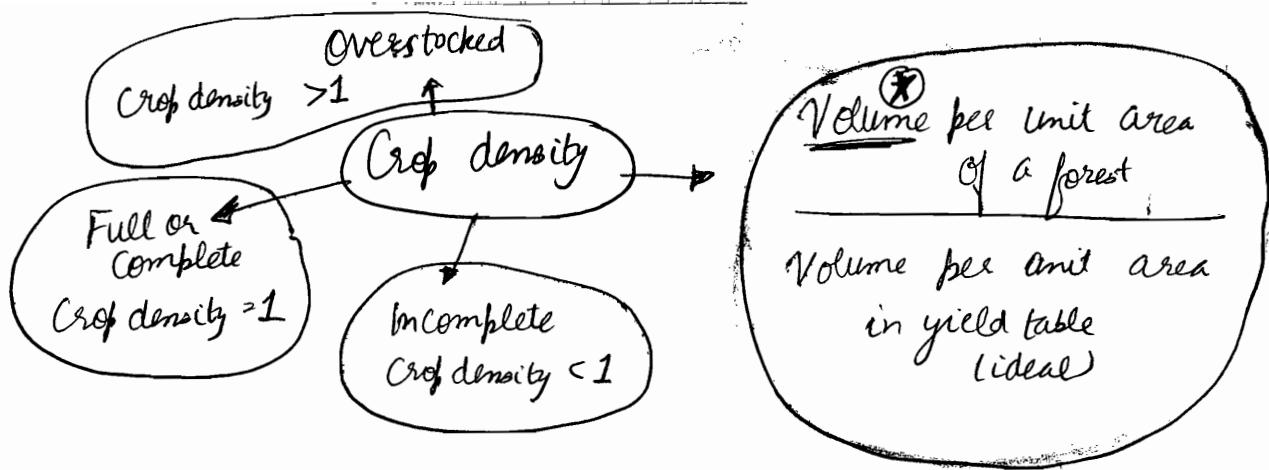
○ **Normal Forest** : Benchmark forest acting as standard of comparison

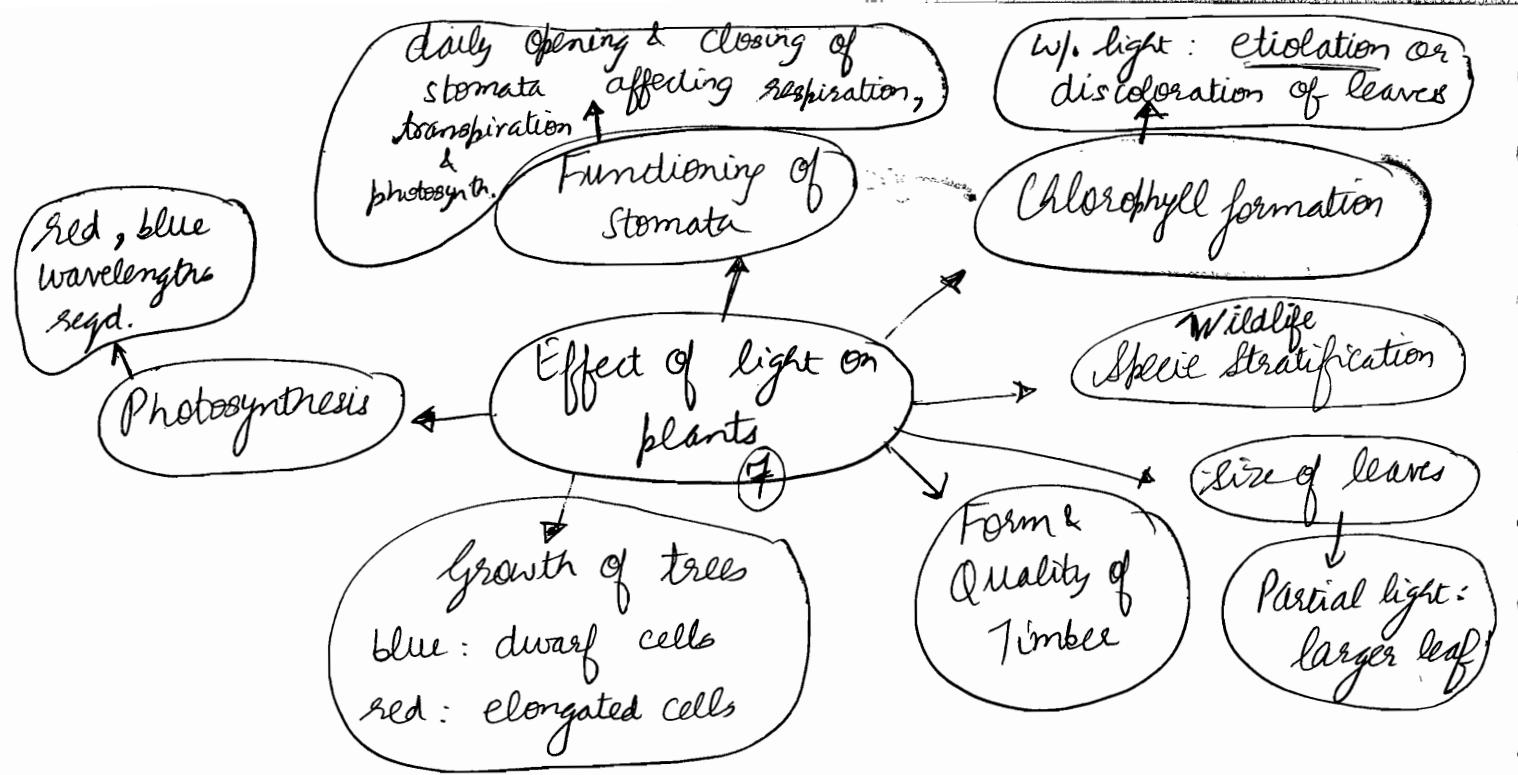
A forest which, for a given site & objects of management, is ideally constituted as regards (i) growing stock, (ii) Age class distribution and (iii) Increment and from which annual removal of produce, equal to increment,

can be continued indefinitely without affecting future yields.

**Abnormal Forest** : Forest in which, as compared to an acceptable standard, (i) the quantity of material in the growing stock is in deficit or in excess or (ii) in which relative proportions of the age or size classes are defective







- ① duration of light for which plant is exposed is called **photoperiod**. (2nd Q)
- ② **Elongation of the trees** mainly occurs between sunset & sunrise bcoz the low intensities of light & IR radiation tend to stimulate height growth.
- ③ **Light required for photosynthesis** is very low (usually 2% of light falling on well-illuminated leaves). Therefore even in dense forest light is sufficient for photosynthesis. But in case of very-dense forests, light intensity may be so low that photosynthesis gains may not be able to balance the loss due to respiration.
- ④ **Light effect on growth** depends on quality, duration & intensity.
- Quality** : normal but small plants in blue light.  
elongation of cells in red light.
  - Duration** : growth, breaking of dormancy, shedding of leaves, flowering are all affected by photoperiod.
  - Intensity** : ① Amount of dry matter produced by plants increases with increasing ~~light~~ light intensity upto a certain maximum & then decreases.

- ② High Intensity favours root growth more than shoot growth. As such light conditions increase transpiration excessively, the stems remain short & develop smaller leaves. (leaves exposed to full light are smaller than those in partial light)
- ③ Extremely low Intensity of light also retards the growth. In such condition, even flowering does not take place.

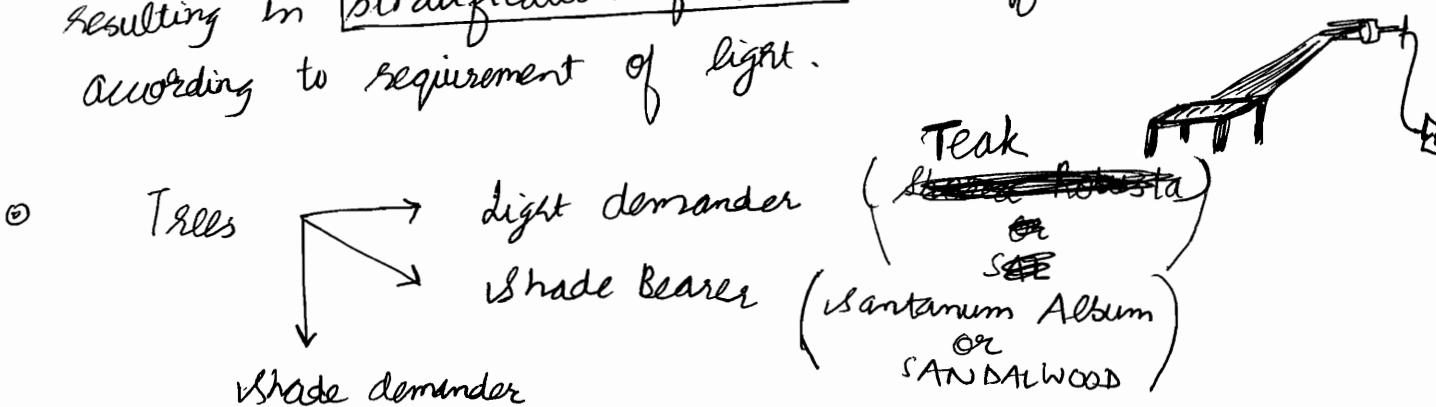
### ○ Effect of light on Quality of Timber

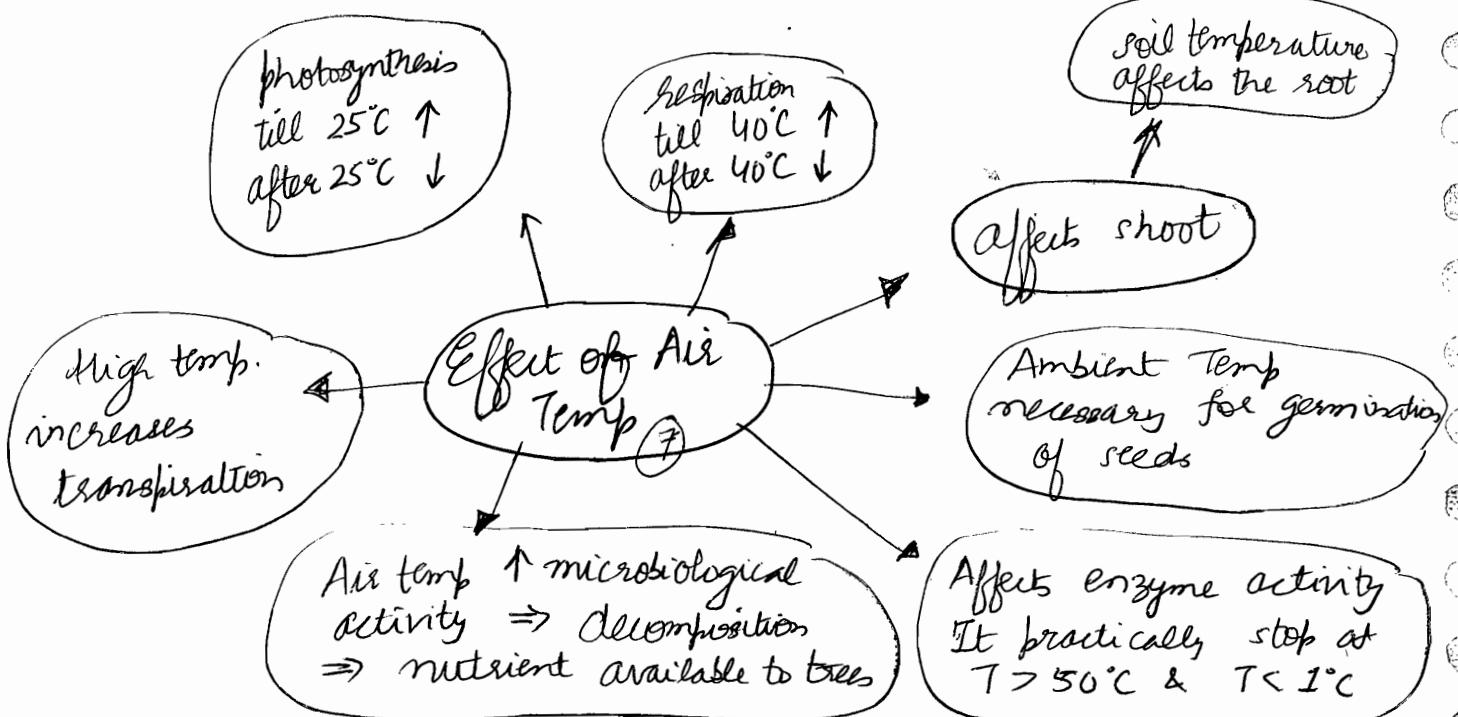
- ① Height is retarded in extremely light intense condition. Tree growing in a little shade are usually taller.
- ② Deficiency of light due to shading effect of upper branches is responsible for death of lower branches, resulting in long boles. The regulation of light, therefore, a powerful tool of forester to regulate "form" of trees & quality of timber

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light results in formation of relatively large crown  $\Rightarrow$  rapid growth. At the end of rotation, crops are opened up heavily to allow selected remaining trees to put on rapid diameter increment. This is known as "light increment".

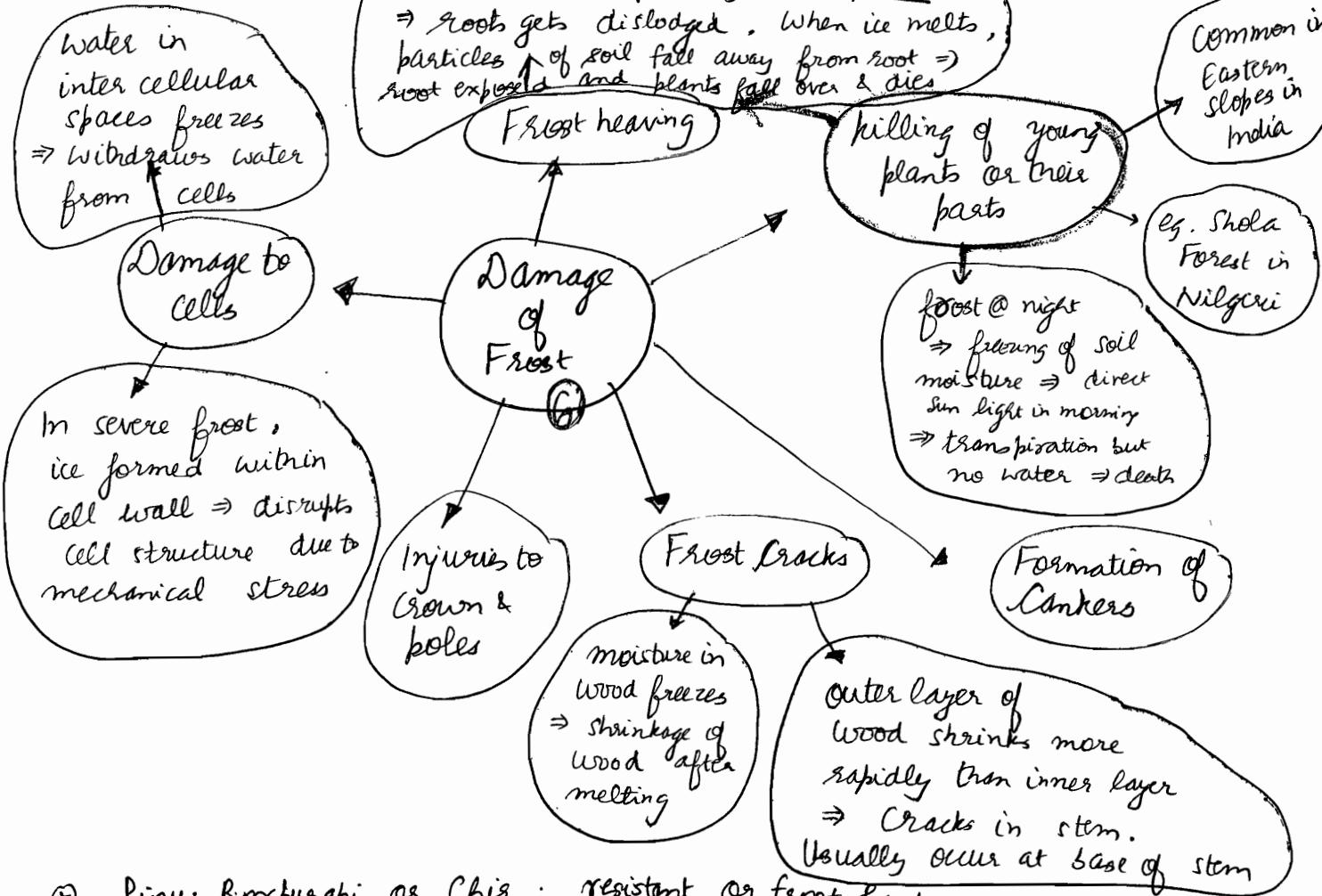
- Different Canopies receive different amount of light, thereby, resulting in stratification of species in different canopies according to requirement of light.





- ① How to write: Though photosynthesis takes place under a wide range of temperature, varying with species & locality, increase in temperature up to  $25^{\circ}\text{C}$ , increases photosynthesis, after which it decreases sharply.

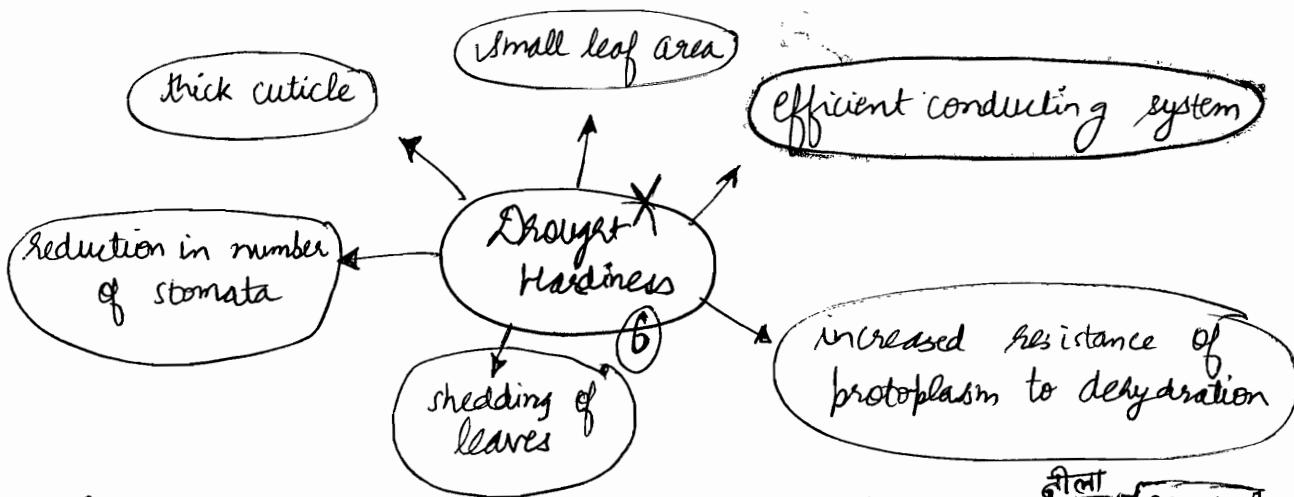
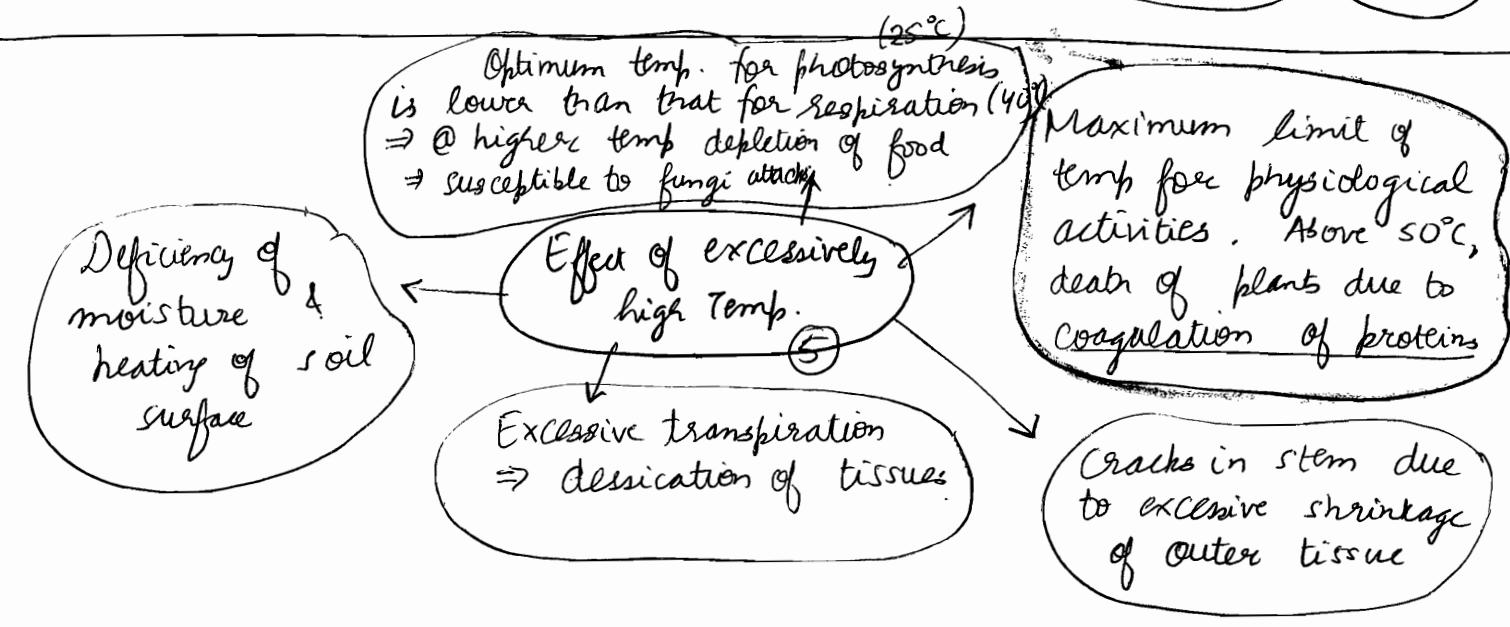
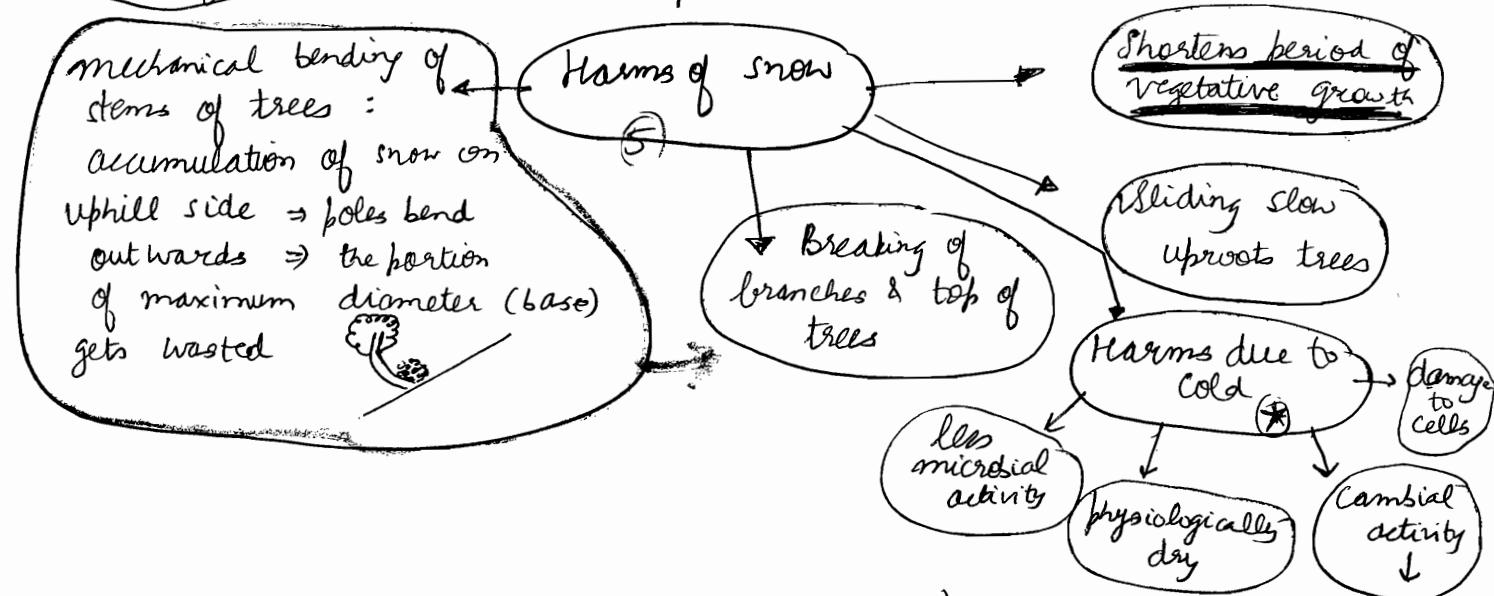
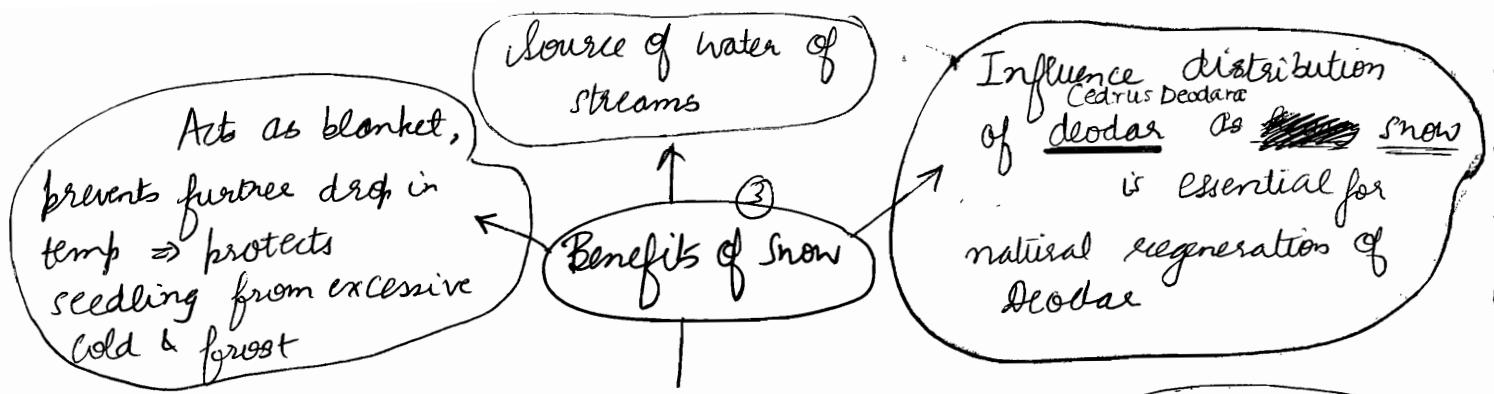




★ *Pinus Roxburghii* or Chir : resistant or frost hardy

★ *Azadirachta Indica* or Neem : damaged due to frost ⇒ Frost tender





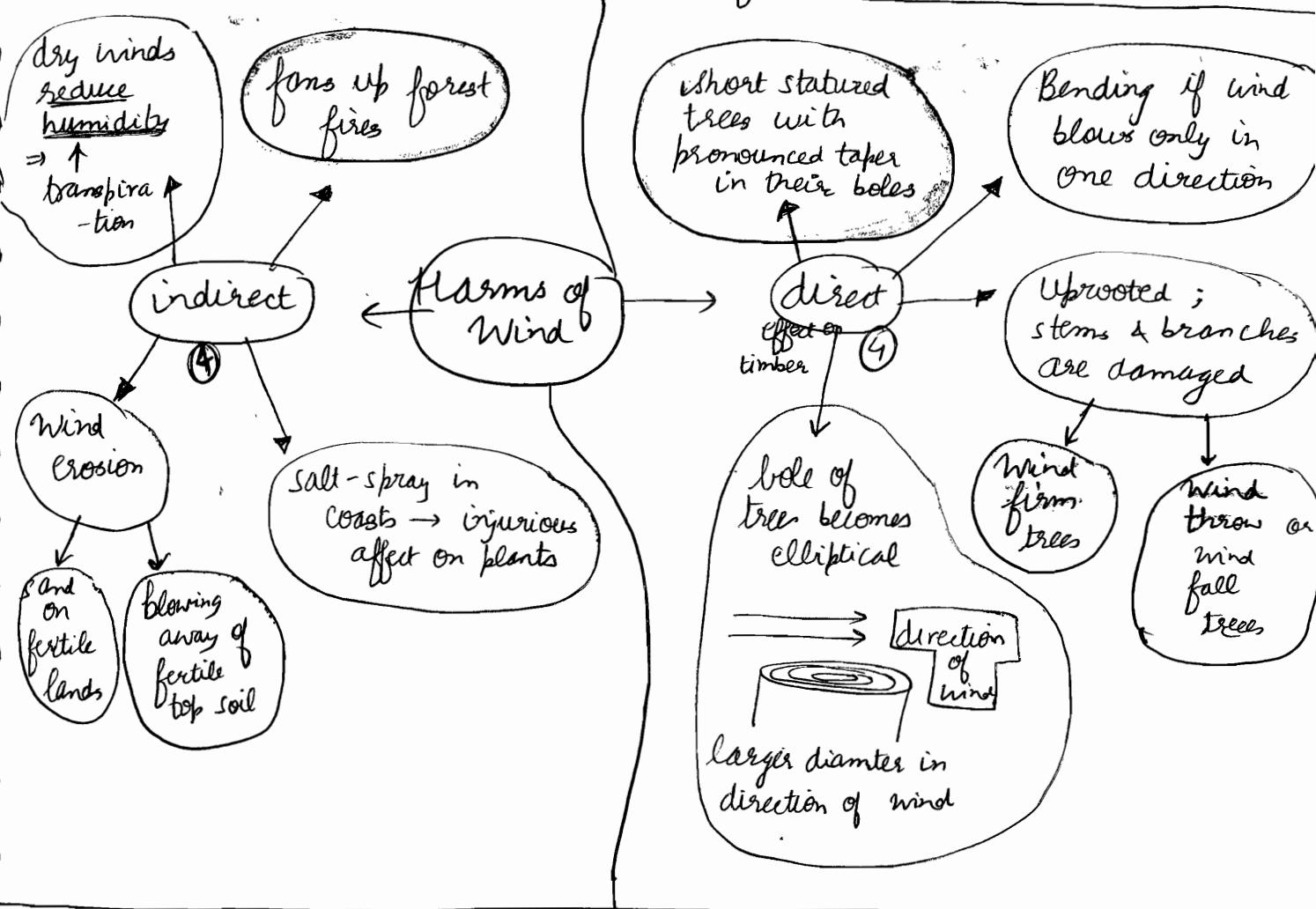
Drought Hardy: *Acacia Nilotica* or *Babul*  
Drought Sensitive: *MANGO* or *MANGIFERA INDICA*

Babul

dry month :- < 5 cm of rainfall  
less there are dry months  $\Rightarrow$  more luxuriant forest

rainy day :-  $> 0.25$  cm of rainfall

Rainfall intensity :- rate of rainfall. Important for afforestation work & water conservation works  
10 cm of rainfall in 24 hours : OK.  
10 cm of rainfall in 2 hours : destruction



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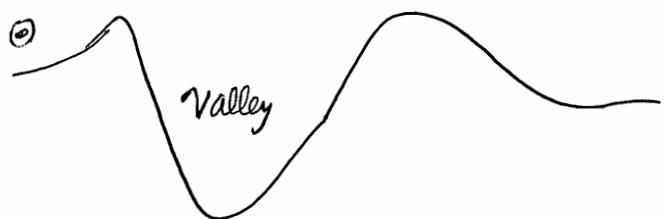
Favourable effects of wind

bring fresh supply of  $\text{CO}_2$  to the foliage of trees & therefore helps photosynthesis

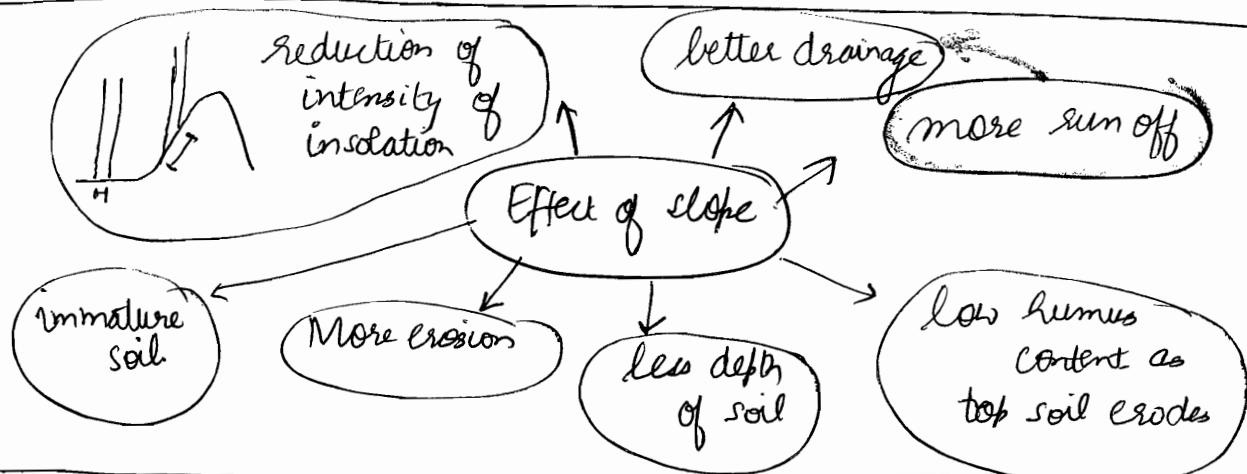
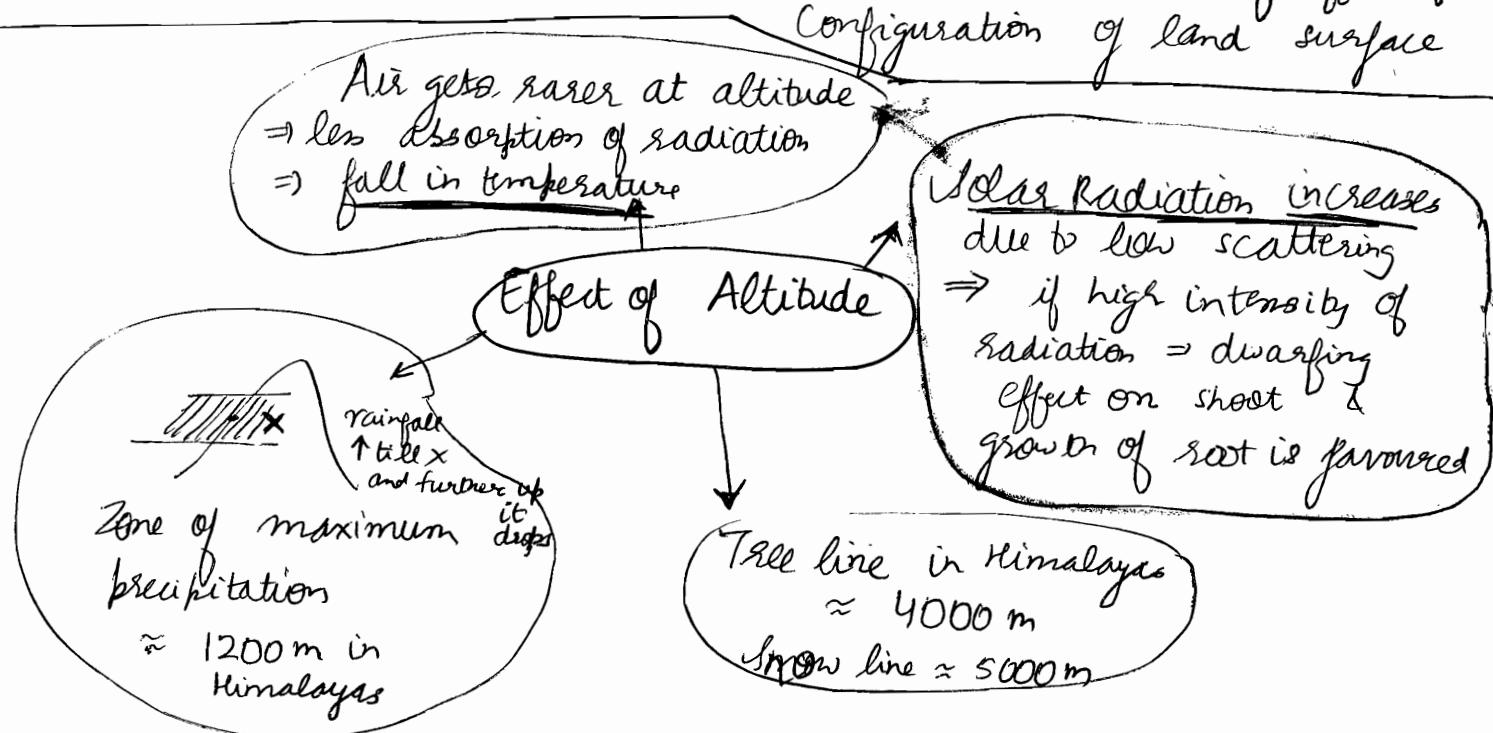
Pollination of Anemophilous flowers

dispersal of seeds

Bioclimate : Climate defined by modified or adjusted climatic factors e.g. Temp. Efficiency Index }  
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 Precipitation Effectiveness } Thorntree



② **Valleys** have high range of temperature. Summers hotter due to radiation from hills & winters colder too due to shade. Hence prime example of effect of configuration of land surface



**Microclimate** :- Climate due to localized conditions

Prevents frost damage to seedlings & saplings  $\Rightarrow$  that's why shelter belts retained during regeneration in frosty conditions.

minimum morning temp. @ around 1.5m height  $\Rightarrow$  favourable survival of seedlings

Canopy acts as screen  $\Rightarrow$  more equitable climate

Reduction due to thick canopy  $\Rightarrow$  lower intensity of light

Temperature

Rainfall

More number of rainy days

Transpiration, instability rain

Microclimate due to forest cover

Dew & Humidity

No dew immediately below the crowns

increase of humidity due to transpiration

Evaporation

Wind

Reduced wind speed  $\Rightarrow$  act as shelter belts, to prevent erosion

reduction of evaporation from forest floor as radiation does not reach the floor

Example 1

Microclimate of two slopes is different. e.g. Northern slopes are too cold for deodar.  $\therefore$  if deodar planted on Northern aspect  $\rightarrow$  plantation is bound to fail

If proper attention is not paid, silviculture operations like regeneration may fail completely

Importance of Micro Climate

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example 2

In Dehradun valley, pool frost is common.  $\therefore$  if clear felling followed by sowing/planting to raise new crop, it is bound to fail  $\Rightarrow$  have shelterwood system

While introducing exotic species, microclimate of its natural habitat must be taken into account.

movement of soluble salts to the surface to be deposited there on evaporation of water

Excess of evaporation compared to precipitation

Carbonates, Chlorides, Sulphates of Sodium, Calcium & Magnesium

High water table

Accumulation of salts in soil

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Periodic flooding with sea water

Presence of impervious layer in the sub-soil preventing downward movement of water

Basin shaped topography

Excess canal irrigation w/o provision for sub-soil drainage

Laterals or laterization

Iron & Aluminium desquioxides

Lateritic iron pan

Pan is defined as

a compacted or cemented soil horizon in which cementation is due to iron hydroxides, organic material, silica or other substances

Podsolic iron pan

Pan Formation

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Clay Pan

In laterals, intensive leaching of silica & deposition in lower layers

Silicon Pan

Kankar Pan

Alluvial soils of UP lime is precipitated in soil below

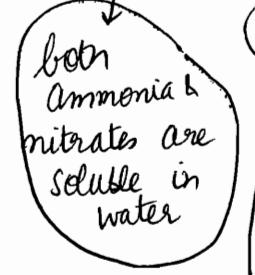
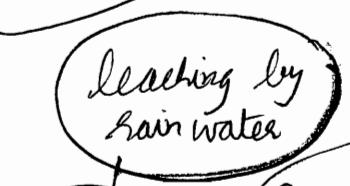
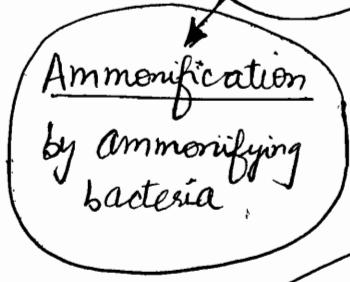
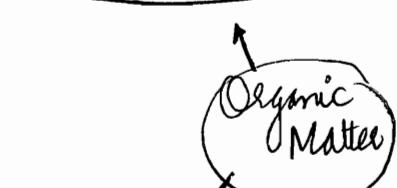
Mechanical compaction of layer of clayey soil due to use of heavy machines  
∴ called Plough Pan

- ① leaves of broad leaved plants decompose faster than needles  
⇒ more humus
- ② poorly drained soils have higher organic content ⇒ more humus
- ③ Lopping : removal of green leaves by village for cattle fodder  
Removal of dry leaves for bedding of cattle sheds.

✓ humus improves physical properties of soil : improves ①  
 structure, water holding ② capacity. Makes sandy soils more  
 cohesive  $\Rightarrow$  ↑ retention of moisture. Makes clayey soils  
 more permeable to water.

also improves chemical properties by returning  
 minerals to soils, ↑ nitrogenous content of soil. It is  
colloidal in nature and therefore increases cation  
 exchange capacity  $\Rightarrow$  helps absorption of nutrients by  
 plants.

### Mycorrhiza



### Climatic Factor:

Influence of UV rays after clear falling

### Atmosphere

### Climatic Factors:

Electrical discharge causes oxidation of nitrogen

### Sources

### Nitrogen

Biotic Factors:  
Symbiotic fixation by RHIZOBIUM (nodules)

### Biotic factors:

Non-symbiotic fixation by A ZATOBACTER (free living)

Work of biotic factors  
Nitrogen Fixation

### Losses

### Forest Fires

### Crop Removal

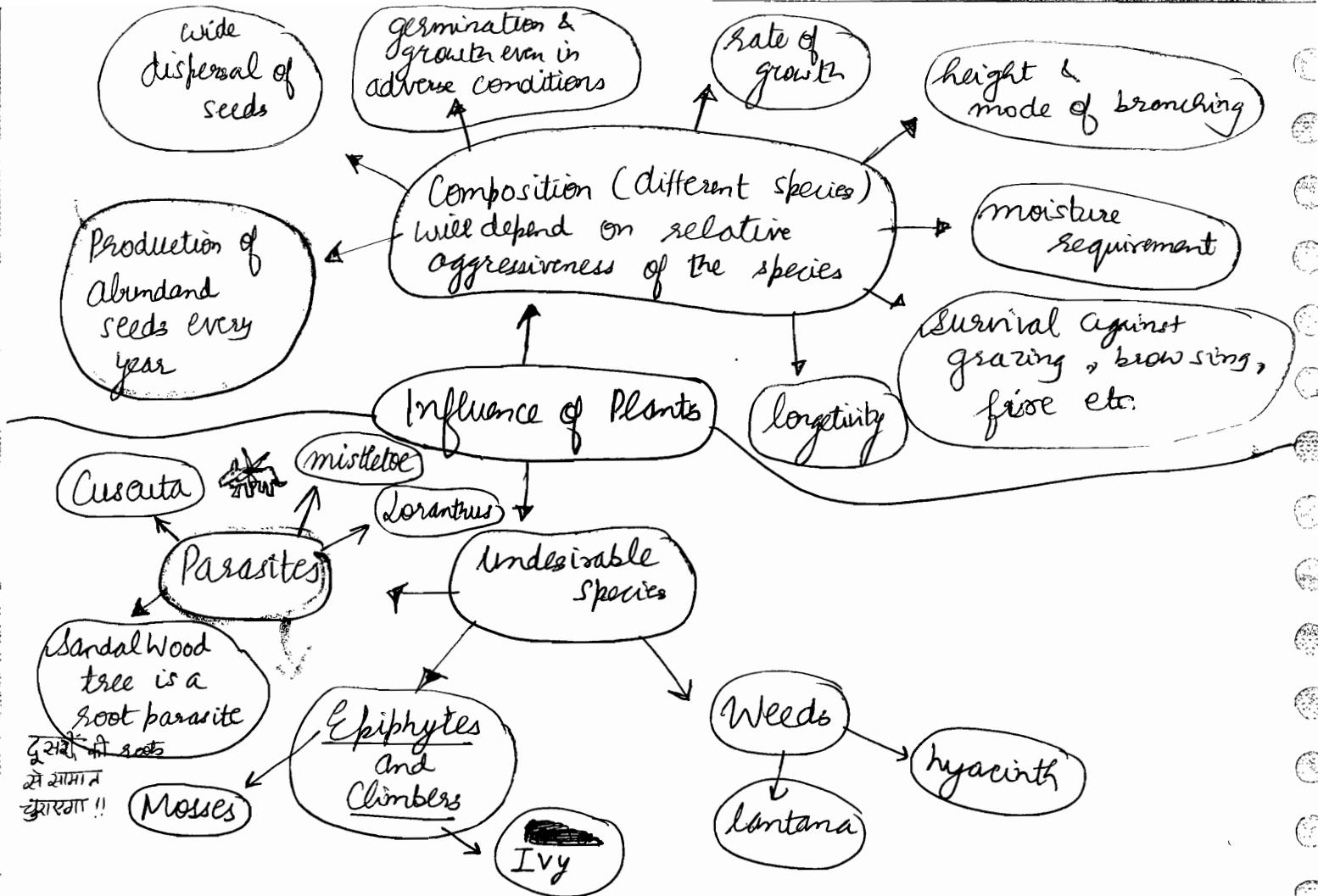
Absence of decomposition

bacteria breaks down nitrates & nitrites in the soil  
& free nitrogen is released

Denitrification  
both Ammonium & nitrates are soluble in water

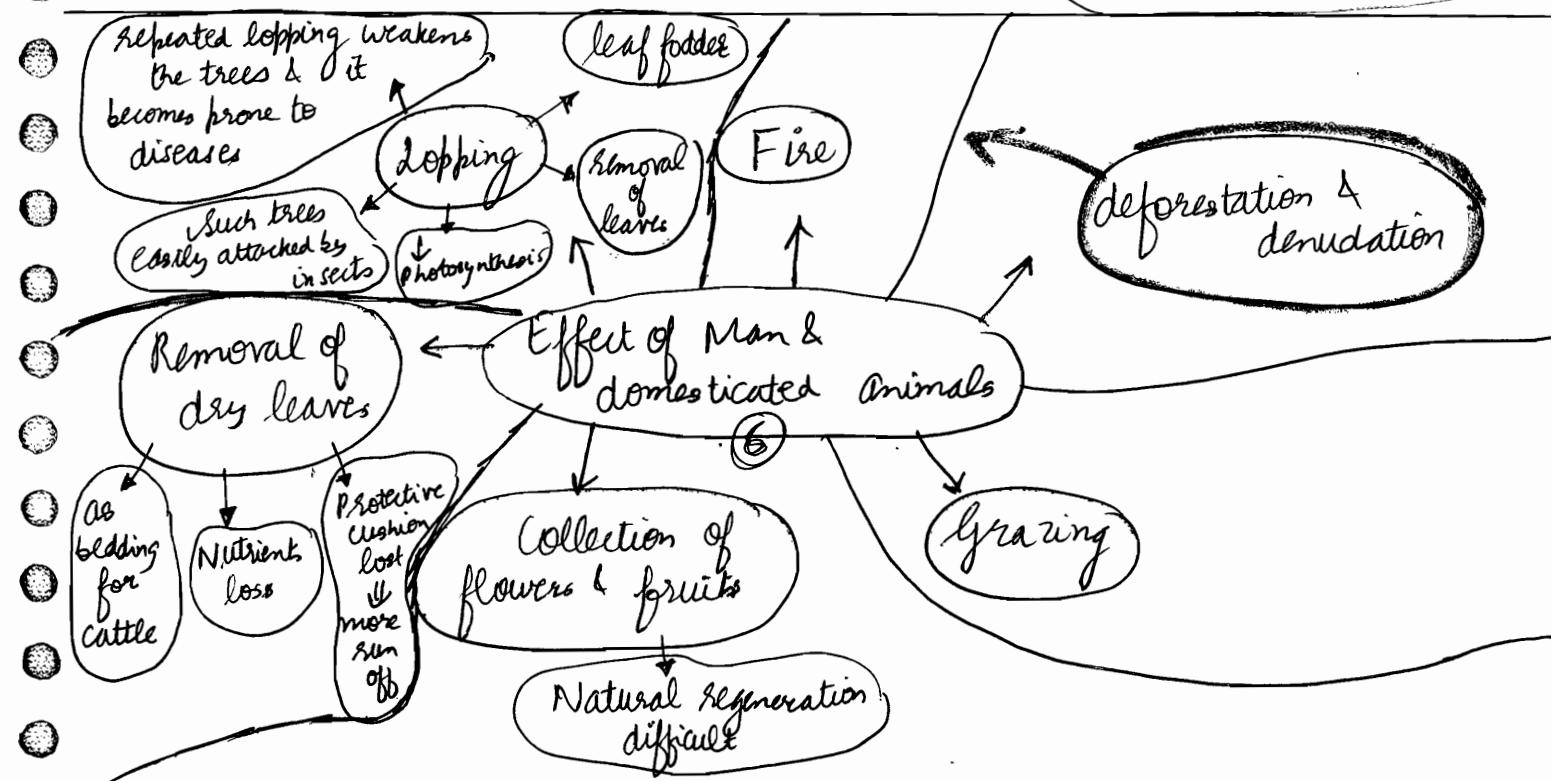
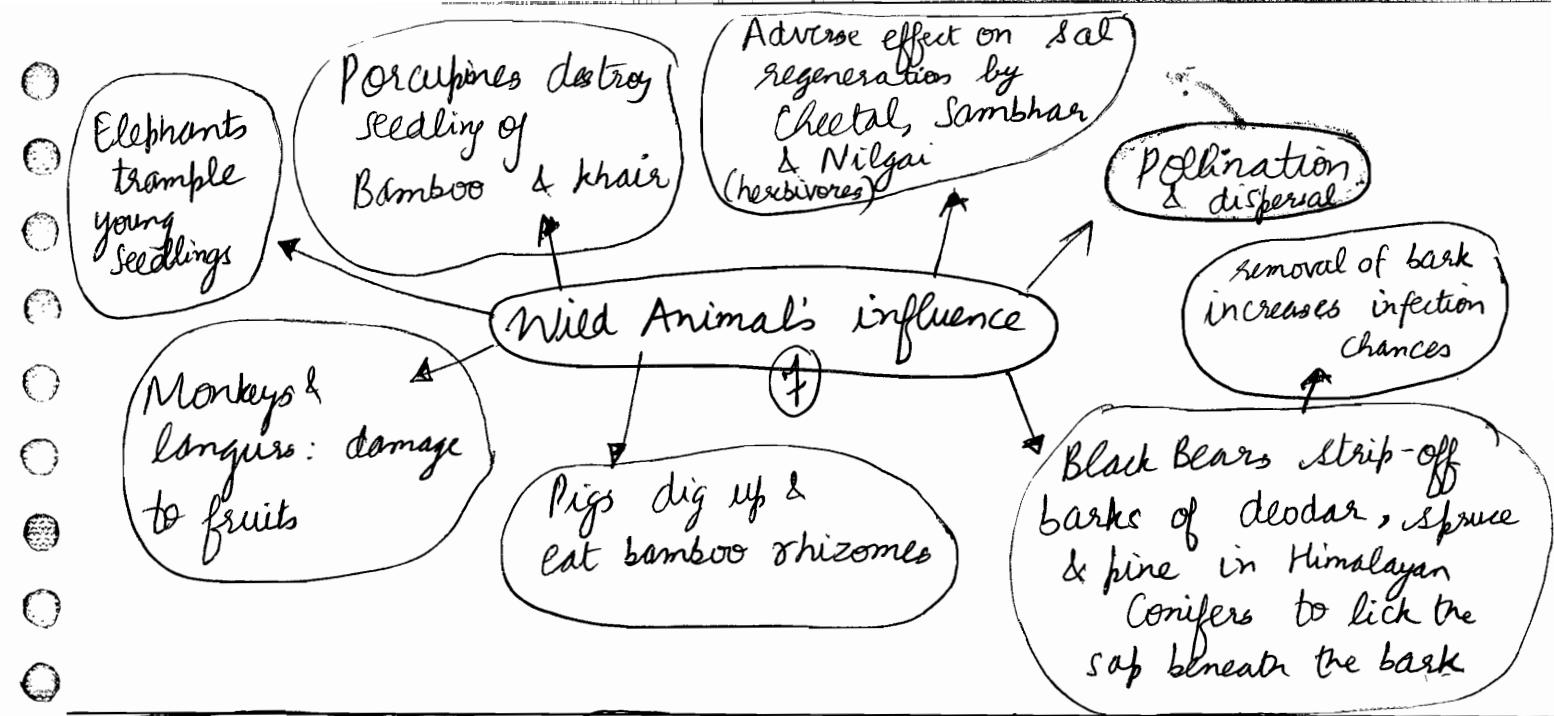
✗ Nitrate production is an index of soil fertility. If nitrification of soil is insufficient, soil may be unsuitable for regeneration

Certain tree species accelerate the nitrification of humus.  
e.g. leaves of broad-leaved trees in temperate Himalayas help in nitrification of humus.  $\therefore$  For natural regeneration of conifers, some broad-leaved trees are also mixed.



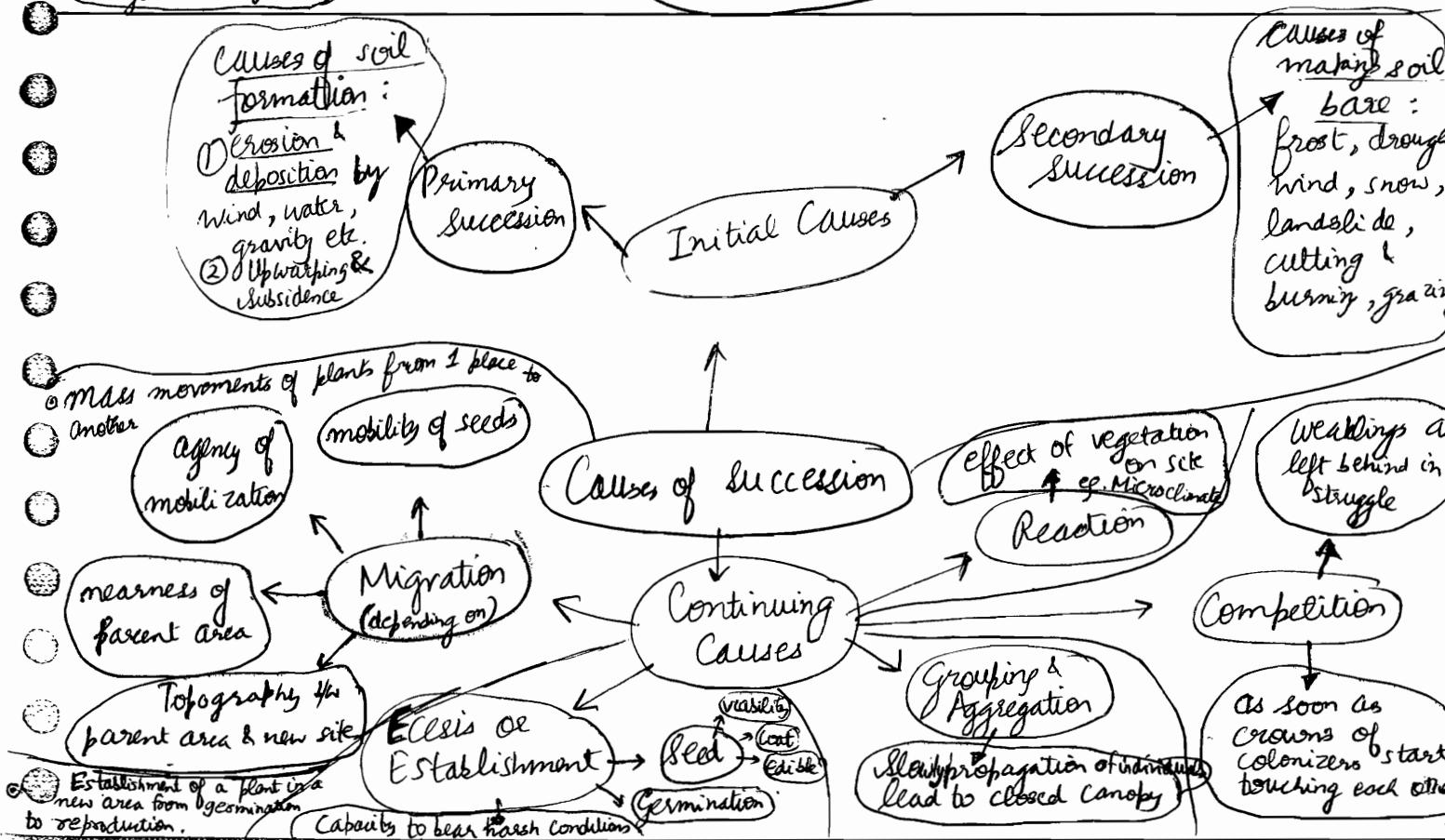
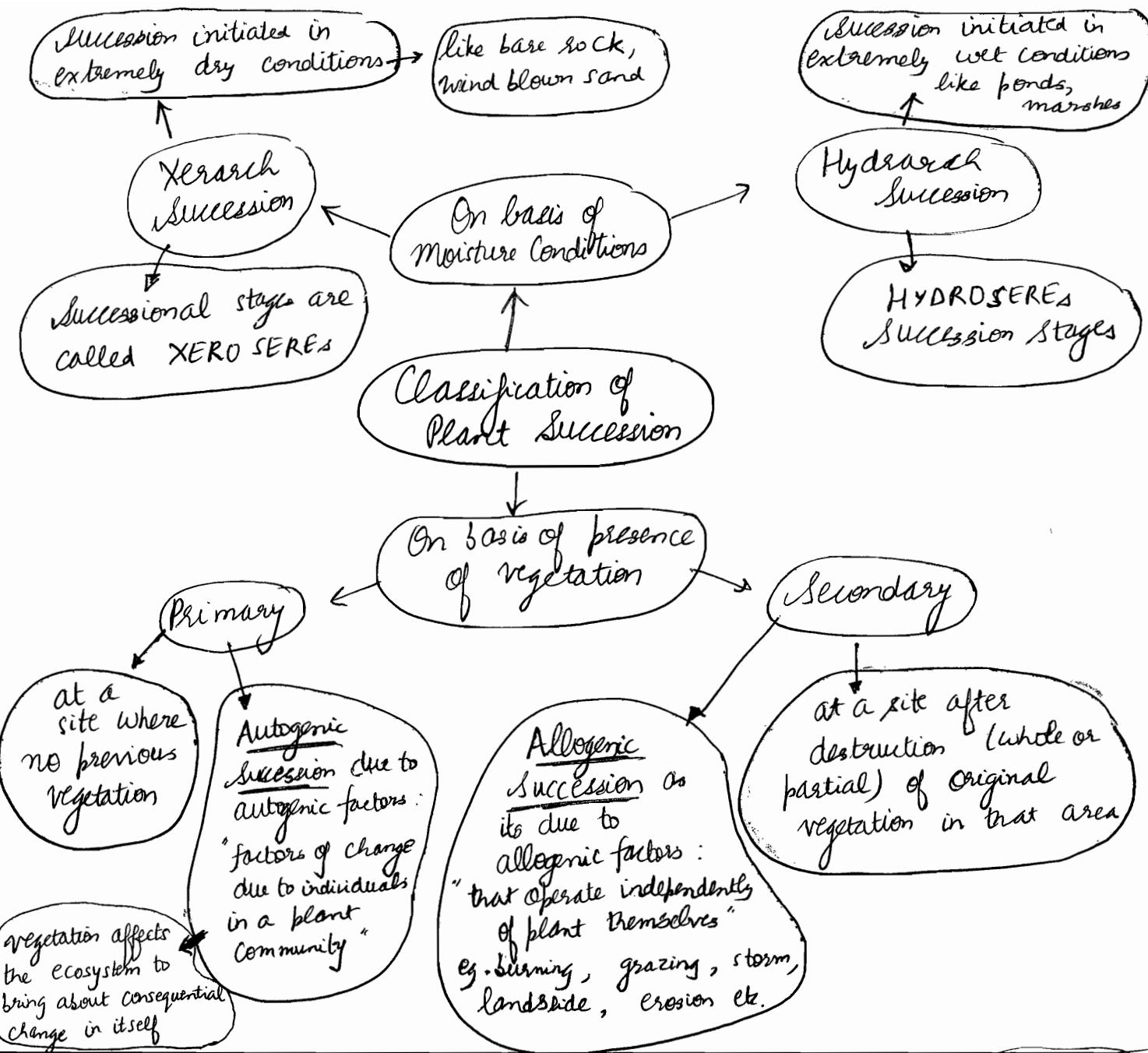
★ ये examples पर्ति पर ही Number नहीं !!

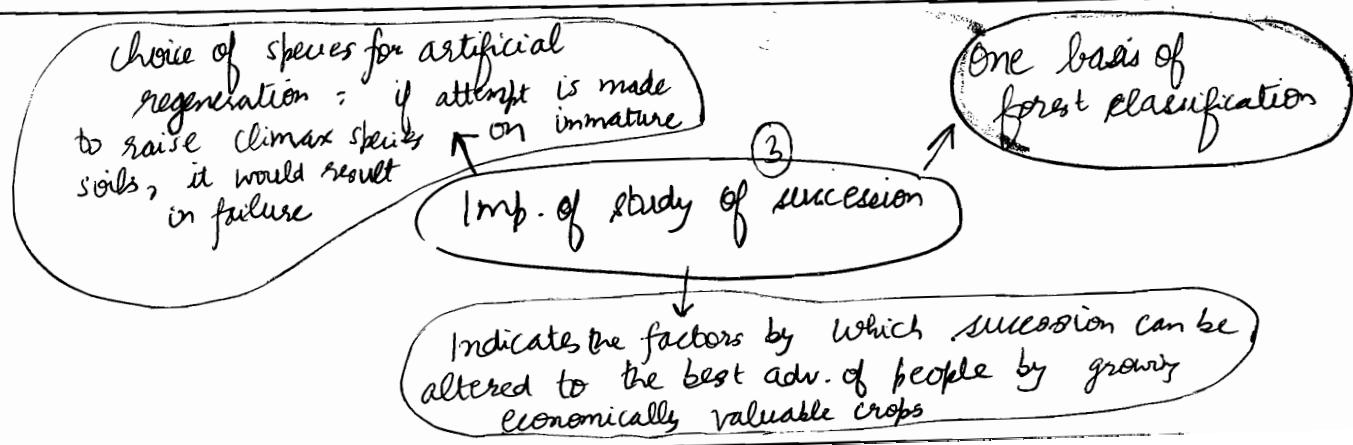
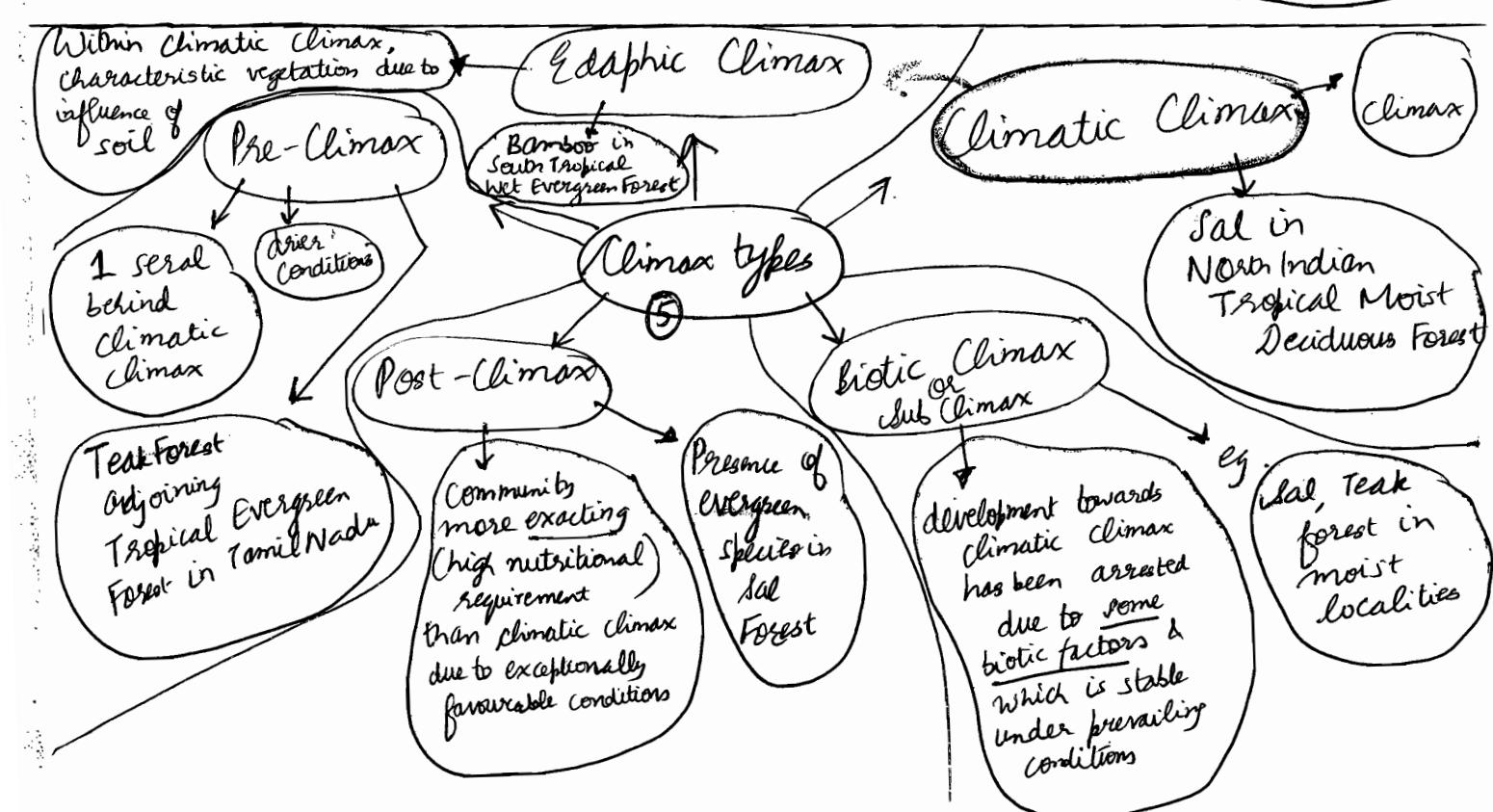
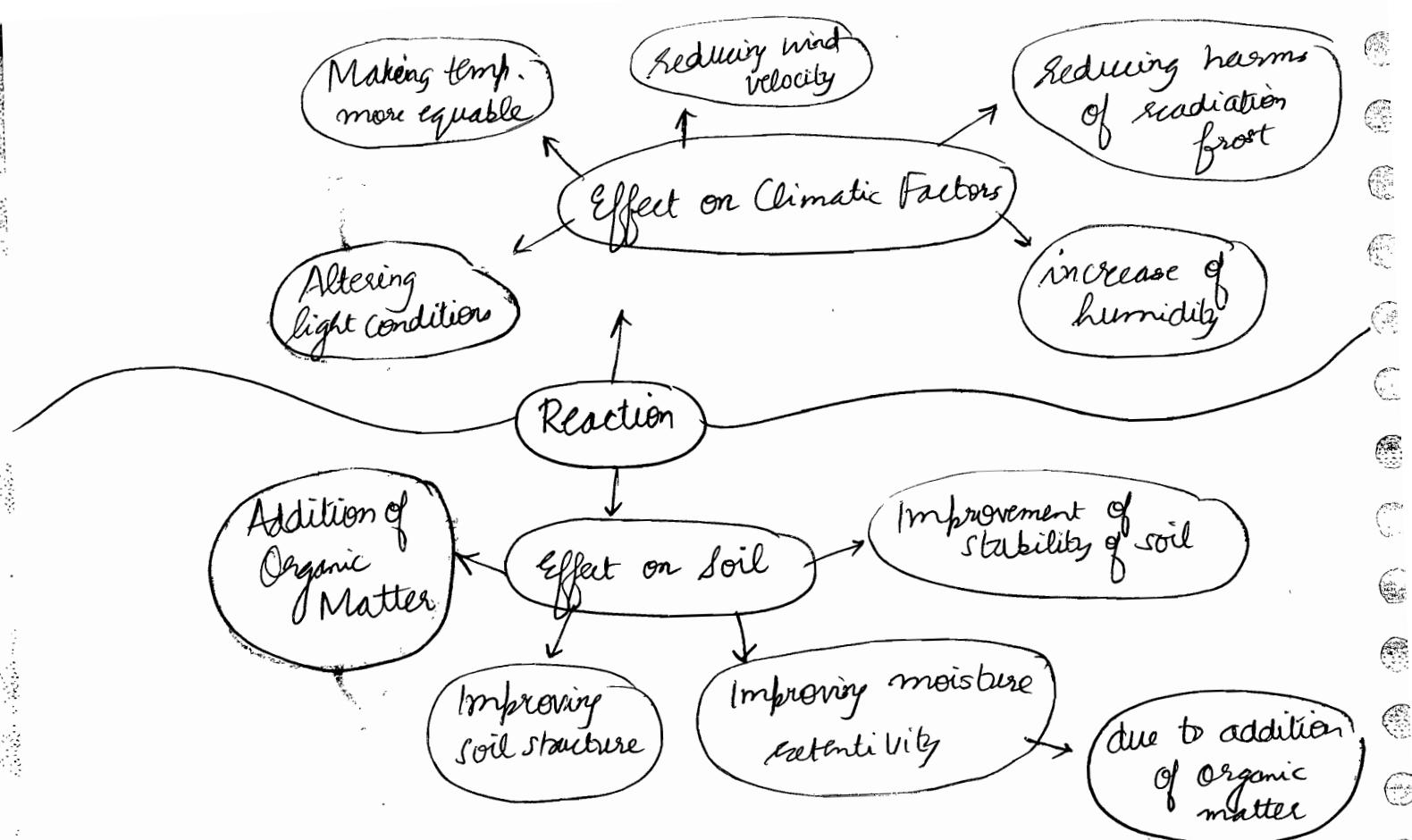
- ① **Parasites** have a modified root, called HAUSTORIA that penetrate the host plant & connects to xylem, phloem or both.
- ② Large woody climbers called Liana : damage timber (groves)  
kill saplings  
bend the trees.  
restrict diameter growth
- ③ Lantana coppices so well that efforts to eradicate it have completely failed. Obstruction in regeneration of Sal.
- ④ Sal Borer : makes tunnel in timber of sal trees & in case of heavy attack, kills the tree.  
eg. in MP & UP, many trees were killed.  
But insects do help eg. in Pollination (Entomophiles)
- ⑤ Severe defoliation by certain insects harms the trees due to reduced photosynthesis, respiration & transpiration.

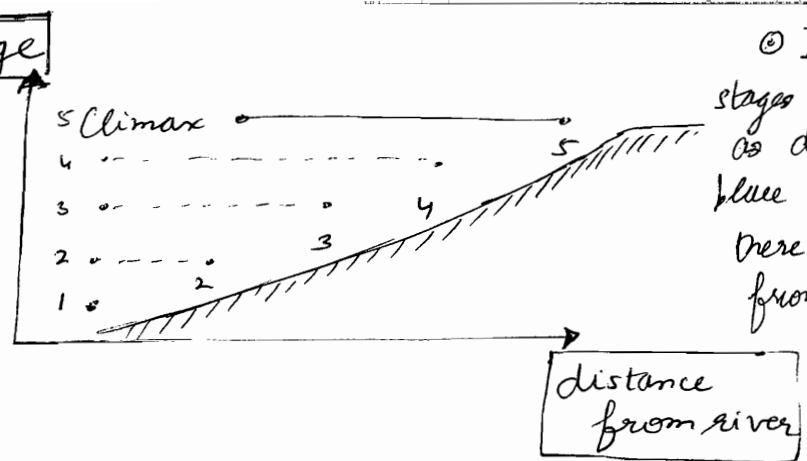




- ① Soil Texture : Clay → Silt → Sand → Gravel
- Soil Structure : Single grained → Crumbly → Granular → Blocky or nutty
- ② Like fire, grazing is a good servant but bad master.
- ③ Goat is most damaging : stands up on hindlegs & eats up everything.
- ④ Camel due to height, is very destructive. Camel is an animal of deserts & it creates a desert wherever it goes.
- ⑤ Browsing : Feeding on twigs or shoots, with or without attached leaves of shrubs, trees or woody climbers.
- ⑥ Pruning, Lopping : cutting of branches of a tree for improvement of tree timber, or to produce better roots.

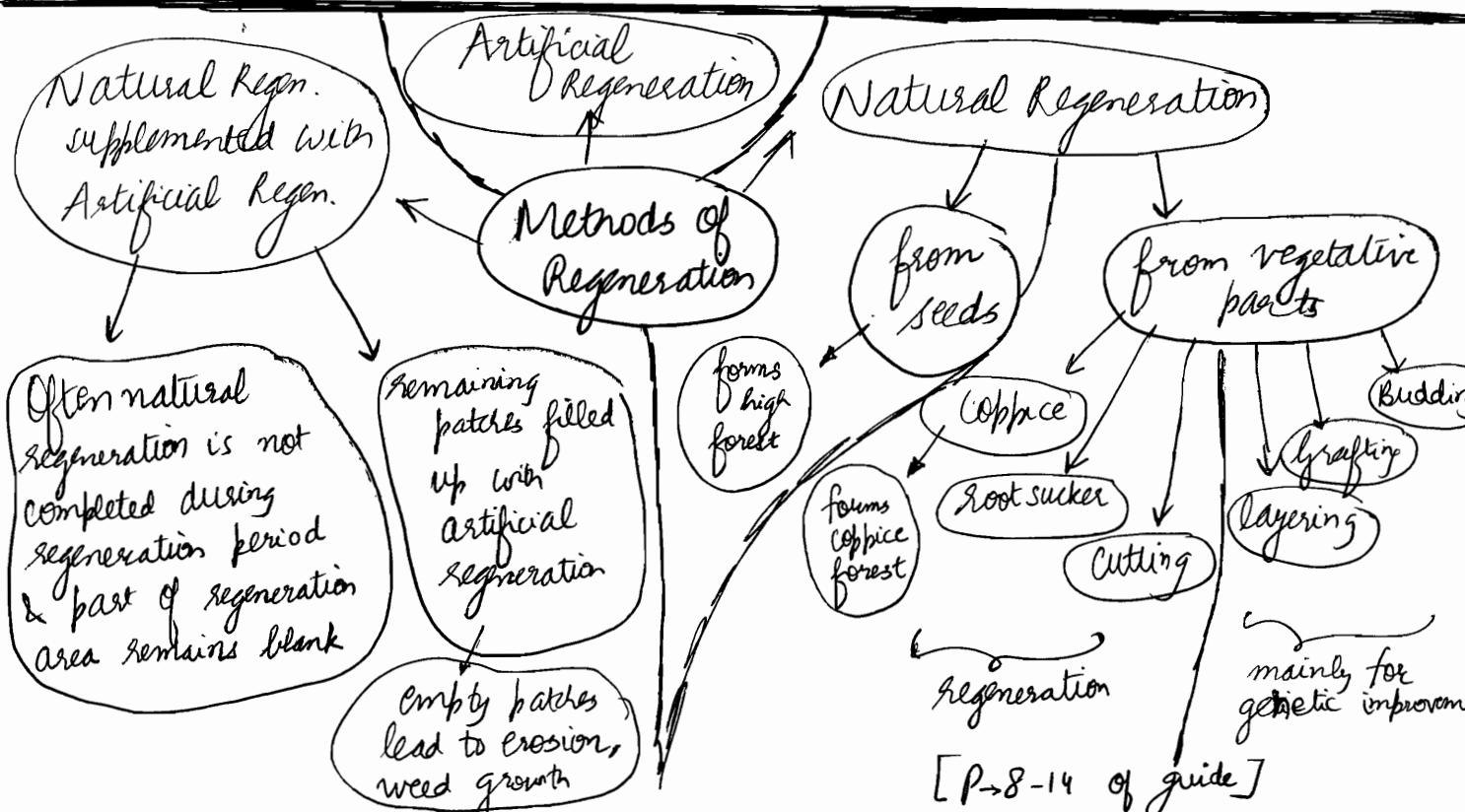
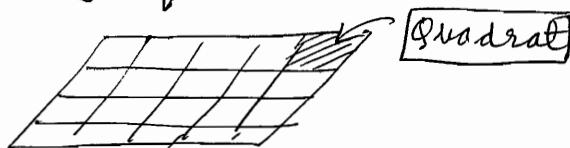






⑤ It's not possible to see all stages of succession in the same place as development of vegetation takes place in 1000s of years. However if there is gradual rise of land from river bank to mature high land various stages of succession can be seen.

- ⑥ **Pole** is a tree that is larger than sapling size, but not yet of a merchantable timber size.
- ⑦ **Quadrat** A small, typically rectangular, plot used in ecology & forestry, to isolate a standard unit of area for study of the distribution of an item over a large area.



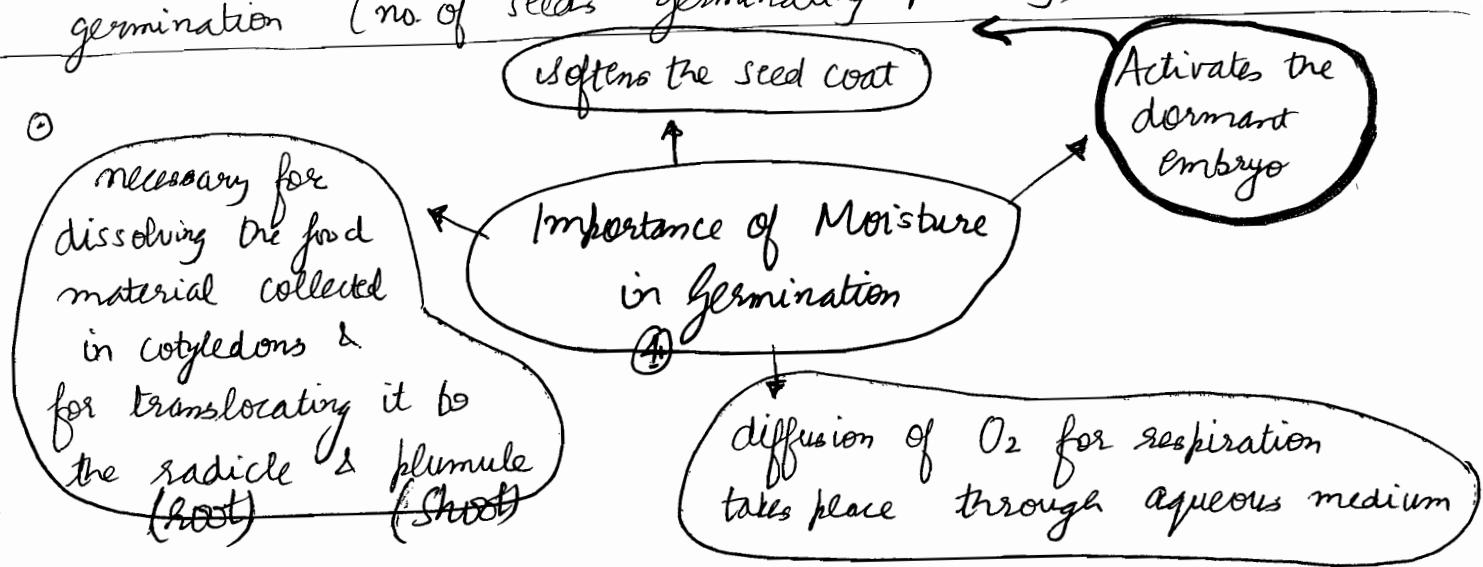
- ⑧ For producing root suckers, circular trenches are dug with radius of 3 m around isolated trees so that their roots are severed & root suckers produced, which, with tending, could develop into trees. But such trees are liable to wind-thrown & poor in growth. ∴ this method is less favoured.



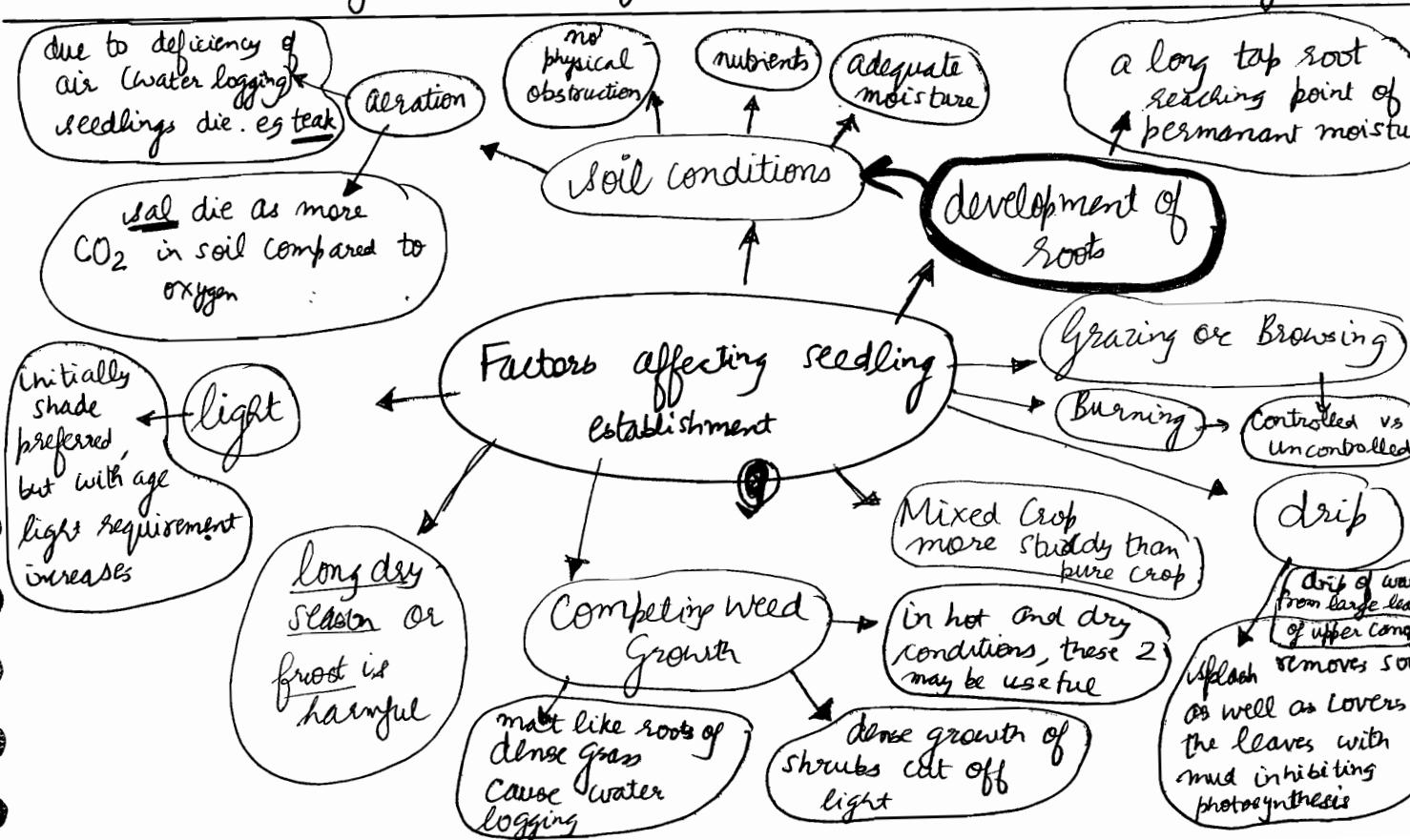
① After-Ripening: Even if embryo is full developed, sometimes seeds do not germinate b'coz embryo is not chemically ready for germination. They generally germinate after they have undergone a process of after-ripening.

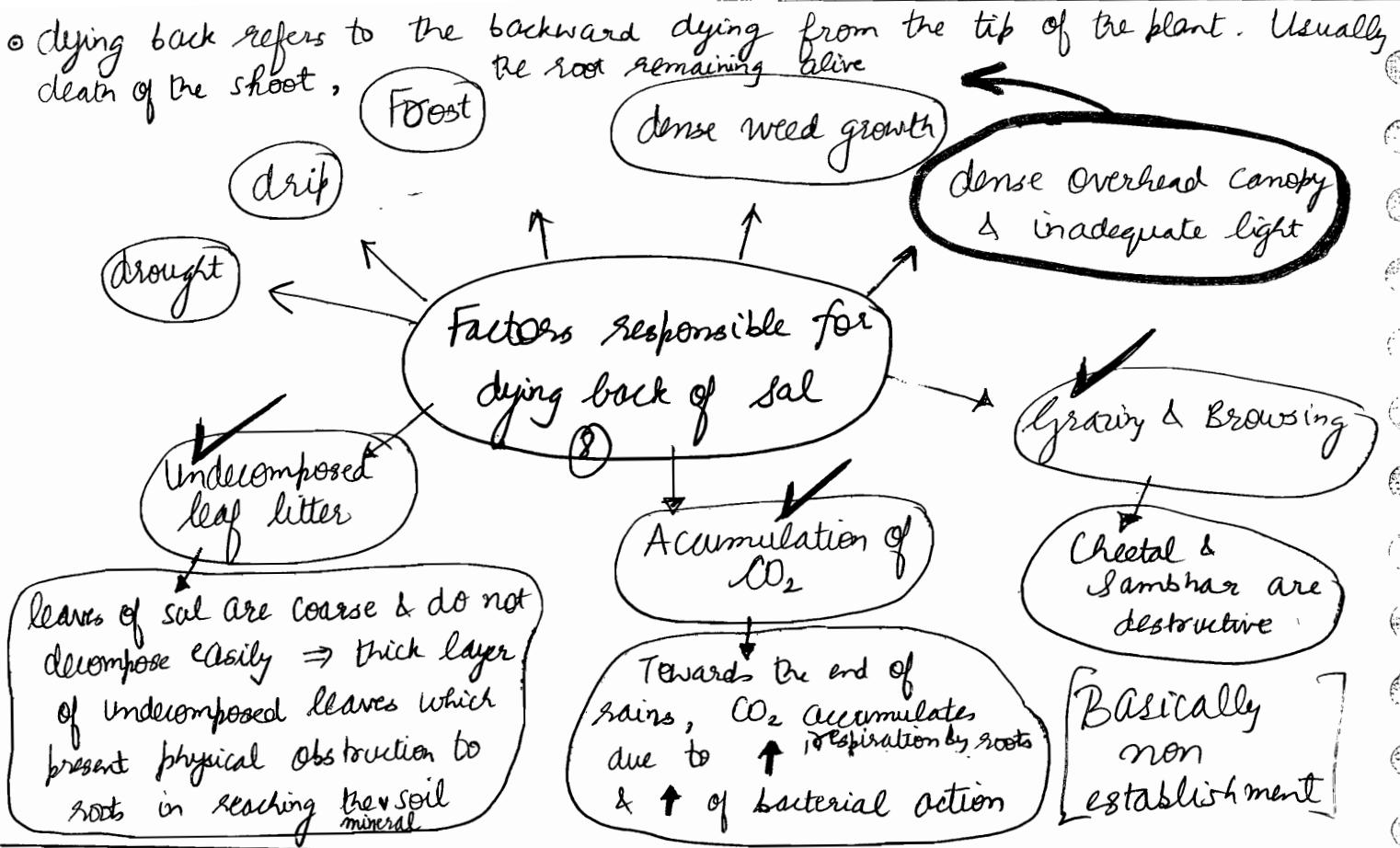
② Viability is the Potential Capacity of a seed to germinate. Some seeds lose their viability soon while others retain their viability for a year or more.

- **germinative capacity**: %, by number of seeds, in a given sample that actually germinate, irrespective of time.
- **germinative energy**: %, by number of seeds, in a given sample that germinate <sup>in 24 hr</sup> within a given period of time. This time is usually taken as the time when the rate of germination (no. of seeds germinating per day) reaches its peak.

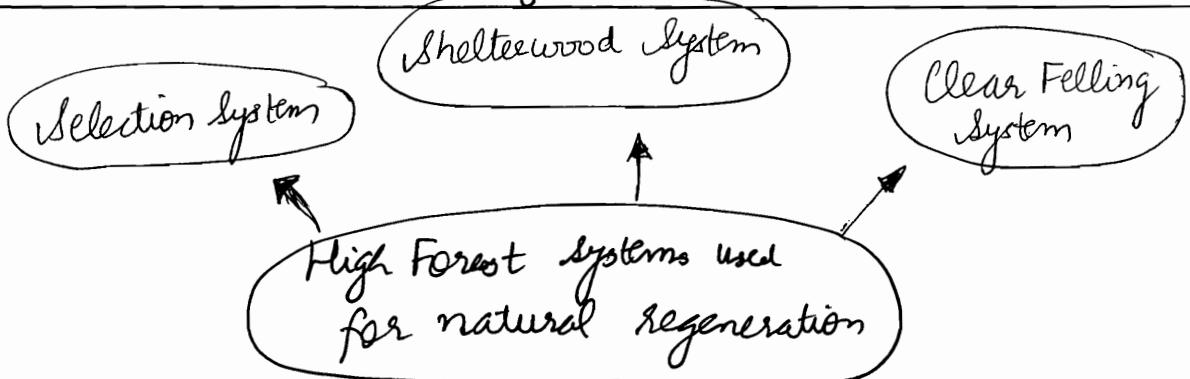


- In germinating seed,  $O_2$  is very important for respiration. Therefore, seeds buried in the deeper layers of soil often remain dormant for want of  $O_2$ . Even if it germinates, seed is not able to push plumules through the soil.
- Within a range, the higher the temp. the better the germination.





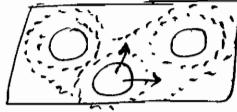
- o In the sandy area, the first tree species to come are ~~khairi~~ & ~~lissu~~ but they do not regenerate under their own canopy. This is bcoz the moisture & fertility improves, overhead light reduces & diurnal range decreases.
- FACT for regeneration
- o ~~Sal~~ ~~Shorea~~ regenerate freely in nature but they form pure "crops", their regeneration becomes a problem. This is because they require natural grazing & fire for their survival. In controlled "scientific" environment, conditions become too moist so evergreen shrubs come up.



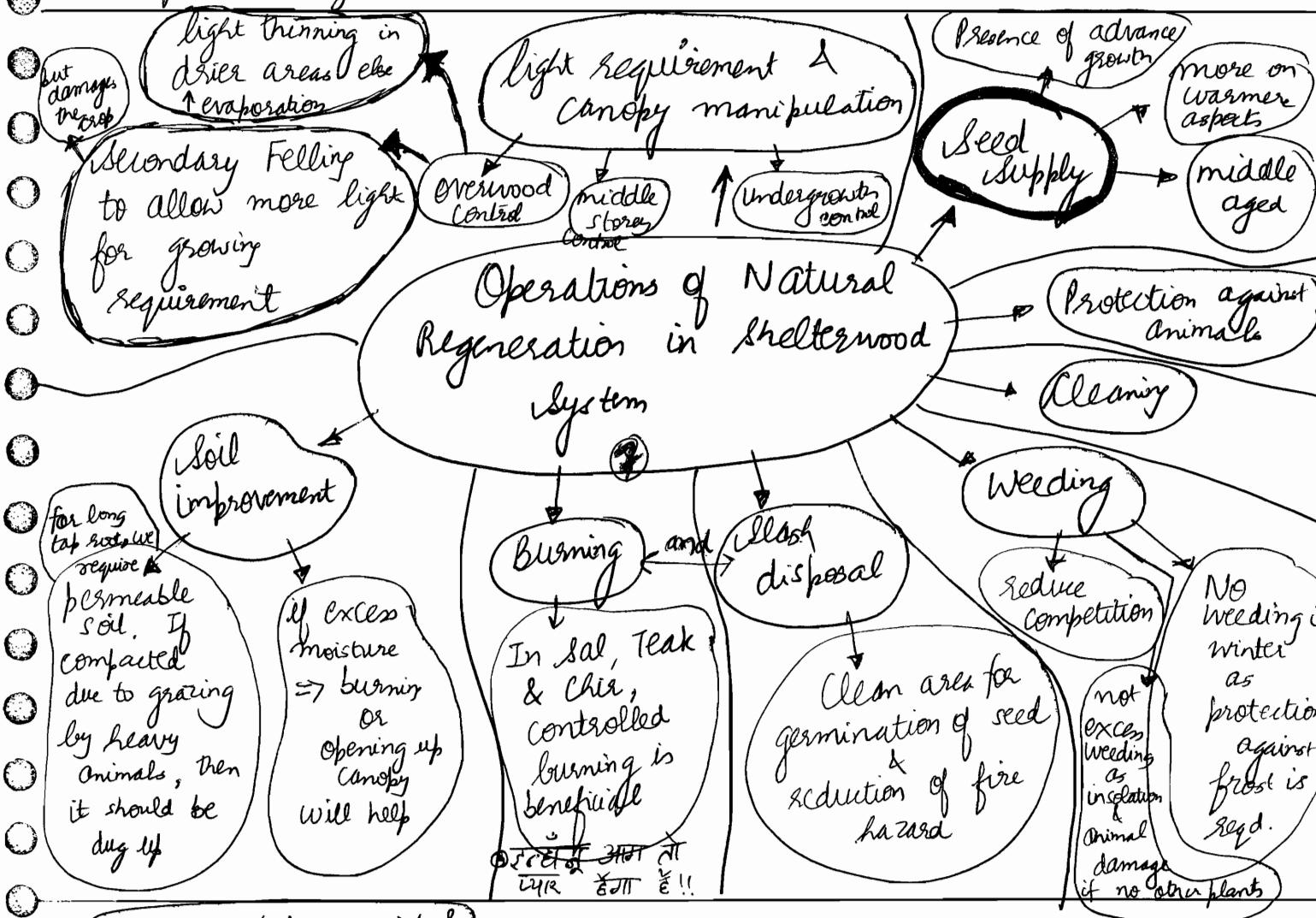
- o Seeding Felling  $\rightarrow$  Secondary Fellings  $\rightarrow$  Final felling ( $t_2$ )

$t_2 - t_1$ : regeneration interval (determines the age uniformity)

○ Well-distributed small gaps over the whole compartment,  
 ⇒ regeneration comes up uniformly : UNIFORM SHELTERWOOD System

○ If seeding/felling is done in groups, regeneration also comes up in groups : GROUP SHELTERWOOD System. 

○ If advance growth (seedlings, saplings and holes of species of the overwood, that have become established naturally in forest, before regeneration fellings are started) is retained (to make up deficiency of natural regeneration), resulting crop is irregular : IRREGULAR SHELTER WOOD SYSTEM.



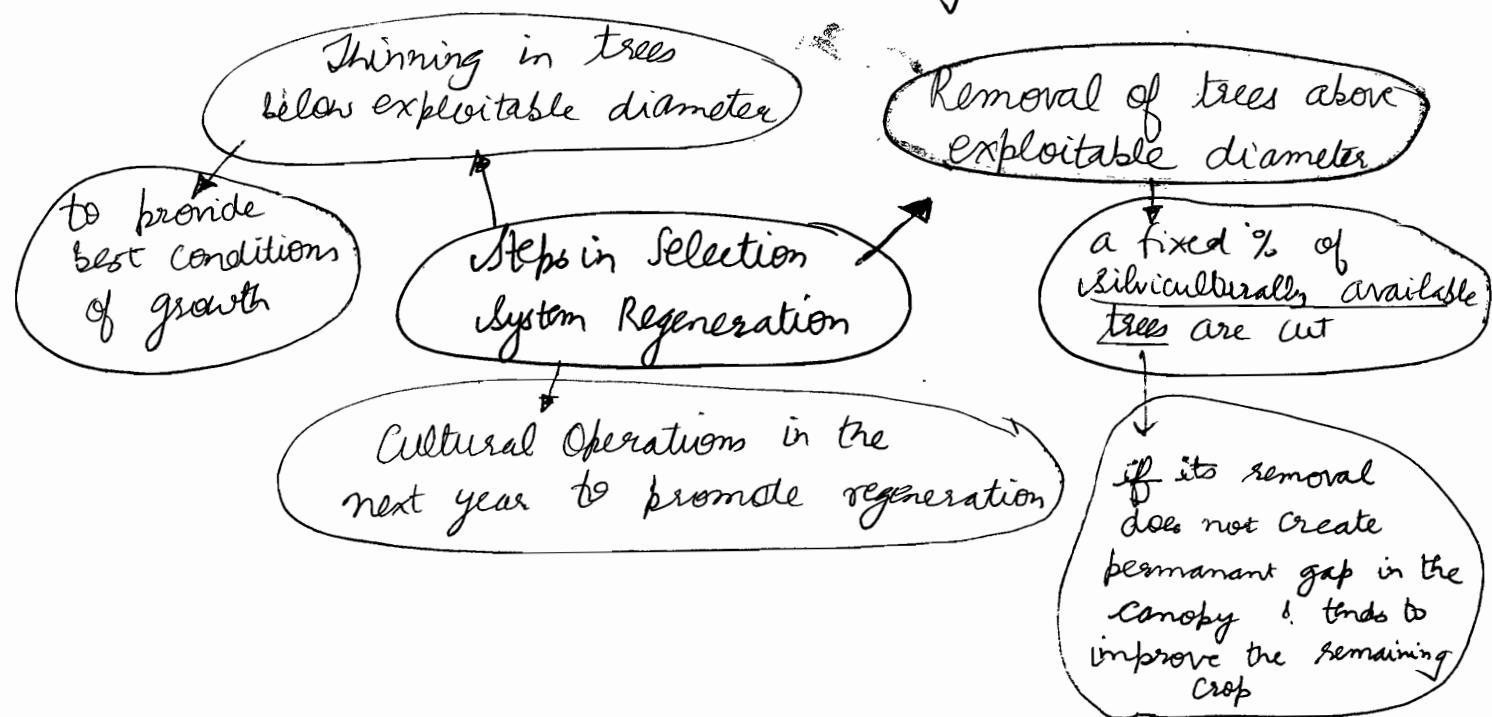
① Too long fencing period → increased cost of maintenance  
antagonizes people whose grazing rights have been suppressed.

Too short fencing period → defeat the purpose for which fence was put up.

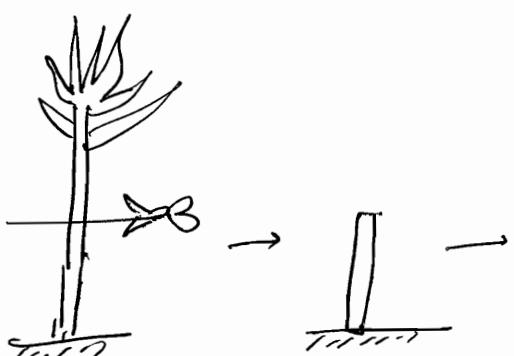
② In selection system, mature crop is removed either as single trees or in small groups over the whole of felling series (a forest area forming a part of a working cycle) and therefore resultant crop is always irregular.

Follows nature in which mature trees keep on dying & they are regenerated.

Often, trees are felled where saplings & poles of main species are there to take the place of mature trees.



### Pollarding



→ stem of a tree is cut off at a height beyond the reach of browsing animals with the object of producing a crown of new shoots.

★ Note that we already know 7 general points of Natural Regeneration  
Natural Regeneration of Conifers (Chir/Fir/Deodar/Spruce)

- (1) All trees other than seed bearers are removed.
- (2) Seed bearers are retained on the upper portion of slopes.
- (3) After felling, slash is collected away from seed bearer & burnt in winter.
- (4) Area is continued to be control burnt till a good seedling crop is obtained from a good seed year.
- (5) After seedling comes up, protection against burning & grazing.
- (6) Weeding & shrubs cutting is done.
- (7) When seedlings are established, grazing is allowed (reduces fire hazard) and seed bearers are removed. Usually when regeneration  $\approx$  6m high on gentler slopes & 9m high on steeper slopes.
- (8) In fire prone areas some seed bearers are kept.

### Natural Regeneration of deciduous (Sal/Teak)

- (1) Top canopy: No seedling felling is required in a normally thinned mature stand as enough gaps exist in canopy.
- (2) Middle storey: low branching & dense-foliage should be heavily thinned. light crowned species should be retained.
- (3) Thorough soil working should be done in the year preceding the good seed-year.
- (4) Deficiency in natural seed fall should be made up by broadcasting seeds.
- (5) Controlled burning is done to stimulate regeneration.
- (6) From the beginning, fencing should be done with game-proof fence (protection from wild animals)

Weeding & shrubs cutting annually for 1<sup>st</sup> 3 years.

When enough seedling reach woody stage, top canopy may be further opened up, to stimulate growth of woody regeneration.

## Natural Regeneration of Evergreen Trees

(Andaman's Canopy lifting shelterwood system)

{ Andaman evergreen & deciduous}

Extraction of commercial timber from regeneration area, by removing all saleable trees above a prescribed g.b.h (girth @ breast height)

Canopy lifting : After the extraction of timber, canopy lifting done by ① Felling all low poles ( $< 10m$ ) and ② girdling trees of 10-20 m not needed as seed bearers. Or commercially afterwards. Aim is to have adequate light filtered through the canopy.

(3) Controlled burning.

(4) Seed Broadcasting where seed bearers or advance growth is insufficient.

(5) Weeding after rains

(6) Cleaning and Climber cutting.

(7) Thinning

Plants from vegetative  
reprod' grow faster  
& cost less

When plant not  
capable of producing  
seeds

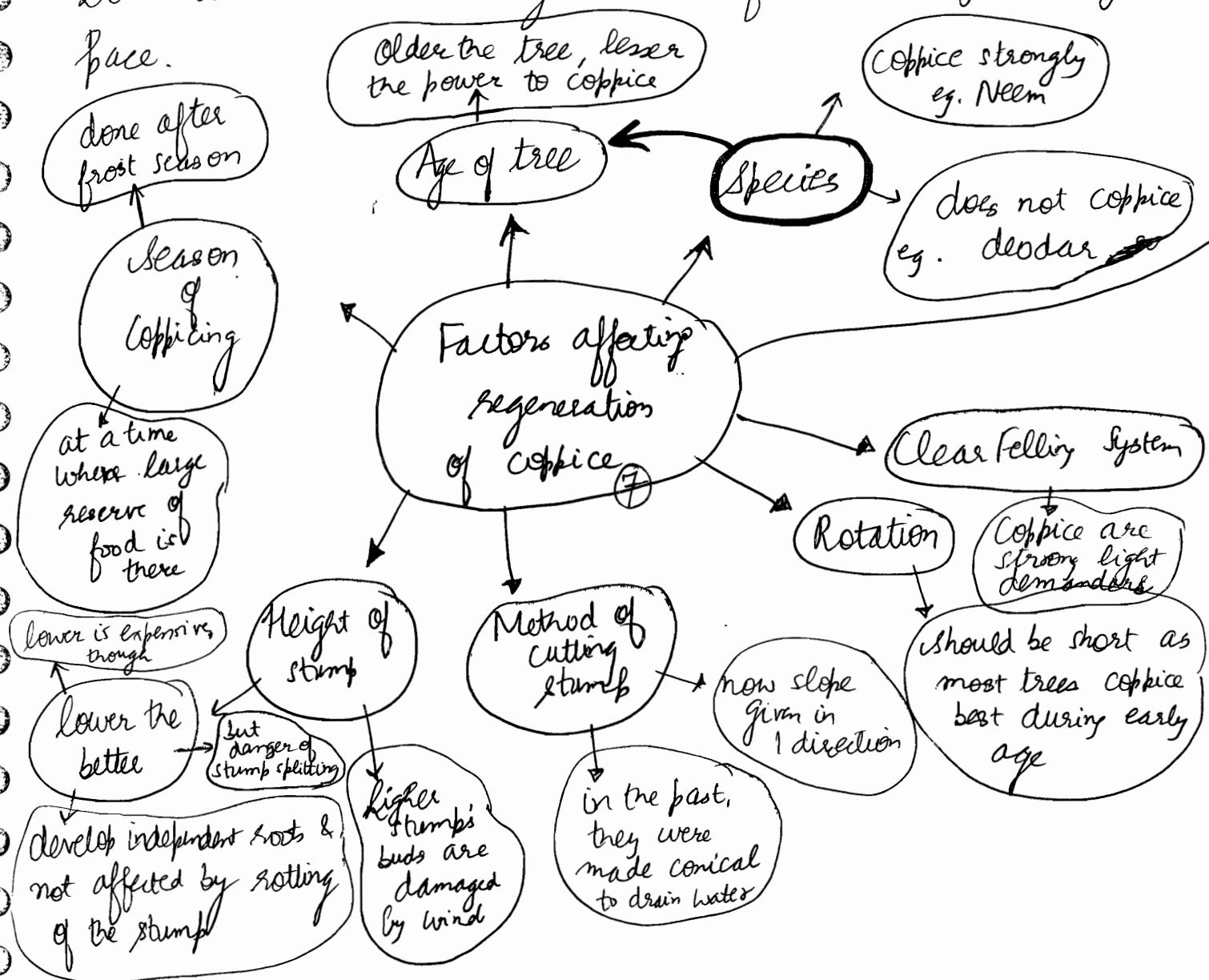
Adv. of Vegetative  
Reproduction

Layering, grafting  
& Budding used  
to genetically improve  
the species (to get  
plus trees)

① **Coppice shoot** refers to the shoot arising from an adventitious bud at the base of a woody plant that has been cut near the ground.

## Types of Coppice

- ① Stool Coppice : Coppicing arising from living stump, either from base of stump or from top. Former are better, as the latter are liable to <sup>be damaged by the</sup> rotting of other portion of stump as well as by wind.
- ② Seedling Coppice : Arising from base of the seedling that has been cut or burnt back. done in salt & tea. Done when natural regeneration fails to progress at good pace.



- ③ Trees cannot keep on indefinitely coppicing and they die after sometimes. ∴ in every coppice, some stools do not coppice, hence mortality can be made up by encouraging seedling regeneration, supplemented with sowing or planting.

- ① Usually each stool produces several coppice shoots. To develop good poles, shoots should be reduced to 2 or 3 in second year and after developing further, it should be reduced to 1 shoot.

### Simple Coppice System

- (1) Applicable to species that coppice strongly. As young trees coppice profusely, coppice rotation is kept short between 20 - 40 years.
- (2) All trees are clear-felled with no shelterwood.
- (3) Tending Operations : initially limited to 2 shoots and then 1 shoot.
- (4) Natural seedlings allowed to grow alongside.
- (5) Blanks are regenerated by sowing or planting.

### Coppice-with-standard system

- (1) Part of crop retained to form Uneven aged Overwood. Resultant crop is 2 storied :- Upper storey : Standard standings Lower storey : Coppice crop
- (2) Standards are of wind-firm valuable species.
- (3) Standards occupy (1/3 to 1/2) of area of canopy, & this space is equally divided into standards of all age class.
- (4) After selecting standards, rest of the crop is clear felled.
- (5) < (3), (4), (5) points of simple Coppice >
- (6)
- (7)

### Coppice-with-reserves System

- (1) Well grown saplings & poles are retained, to form part of the new crop.

(2) Reservation is done with object of providing protection against frost & erosion, supplying seed and protecting valuable species.

(3) Felling varies from clear felling to no felling. Regeneration of area is both by coppice as well as saplings and poles grown from seeds.

(4) < 3, 4, 5 points of simple coppice >

(5)  
(6)

(7) Cultural Operations are performed in the years following the regeneration fellings :

- to remove after-effects of felling
- to improve conditions of growth for regeneration.

Includes

- ① Subsidiary fellings
- ② Weeding
- ③ Cleaning
- ④ Climber cutting

① Undenumerative Improvement Felling  
② thinning  
③ girdling / poisoning of unwanted growth  
④ Controlled burning

### Cultural Operation

### Tending

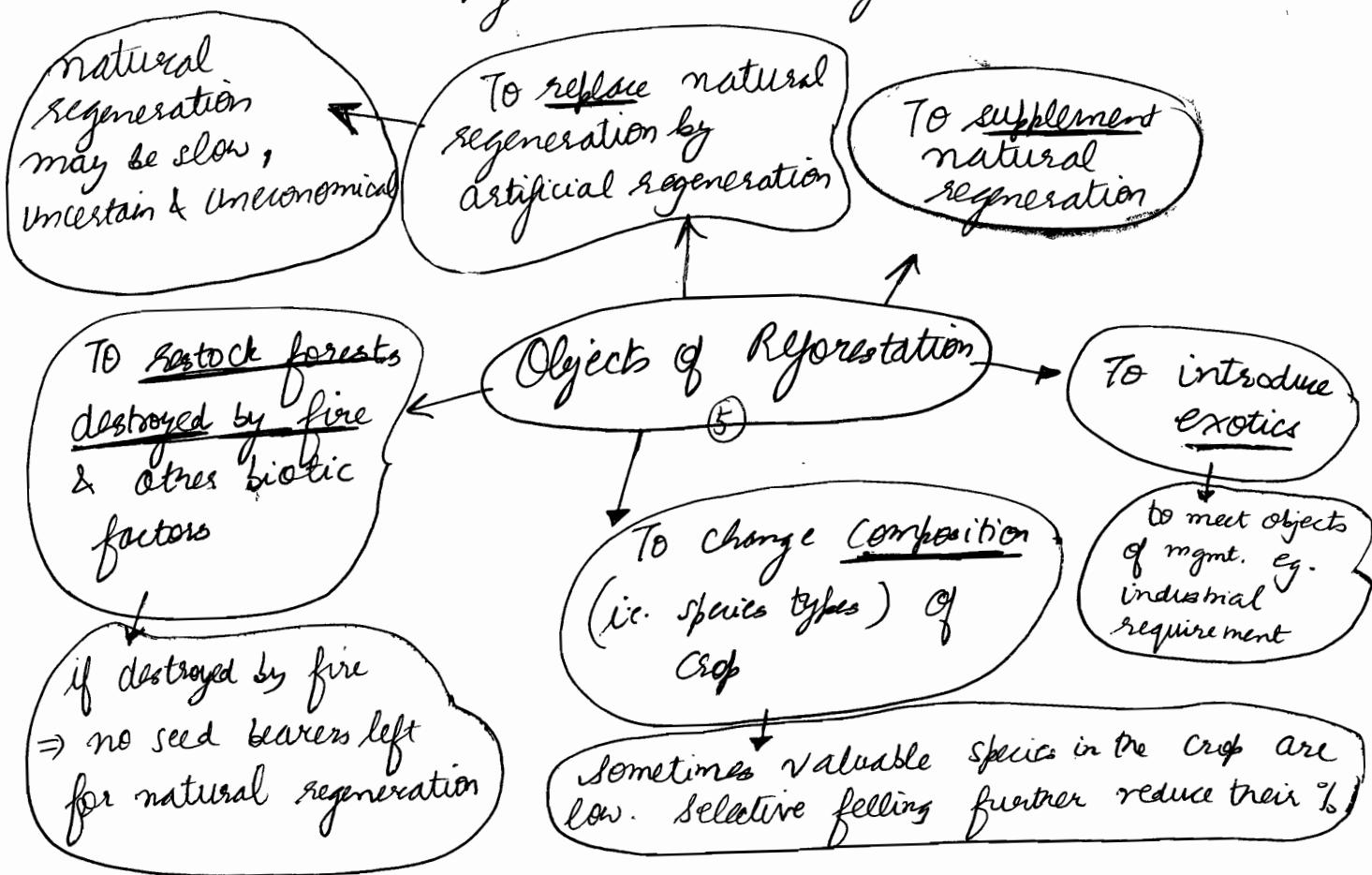
- ① Carried out for
  - benefit of forest crop
  - complete regeneration
  - minimize ill effects of felling
- ∴ Broader scope
- ② One of their objectives
- ③ Includes controlled burning.
- ④ does not include pruning
- ⑤ Carried out only after felling
- ⑥ Only associated with natural regeneration

① Carried out for benefit of forest crop.

- ② Not aim @ obtaining natural regeneration
- ③ Does not include controlled burning
- ④ includes pruning
- ⑤ Carried out regularly & periodically.
- ⑥ Carried out for both natural & artificial regeneration.

Artificial Regeneration is defined as the renewal of a forest crop by sowing, planting or other artificial means. It also refers to the crop so obtained. It has 2 major aims:

- (1) Reforestation: Restocking of a felled woodland by artificial means.
- (2) Afforestation: Establishment of a forest by artificial means on an area from which forest vegetation has long been absent.

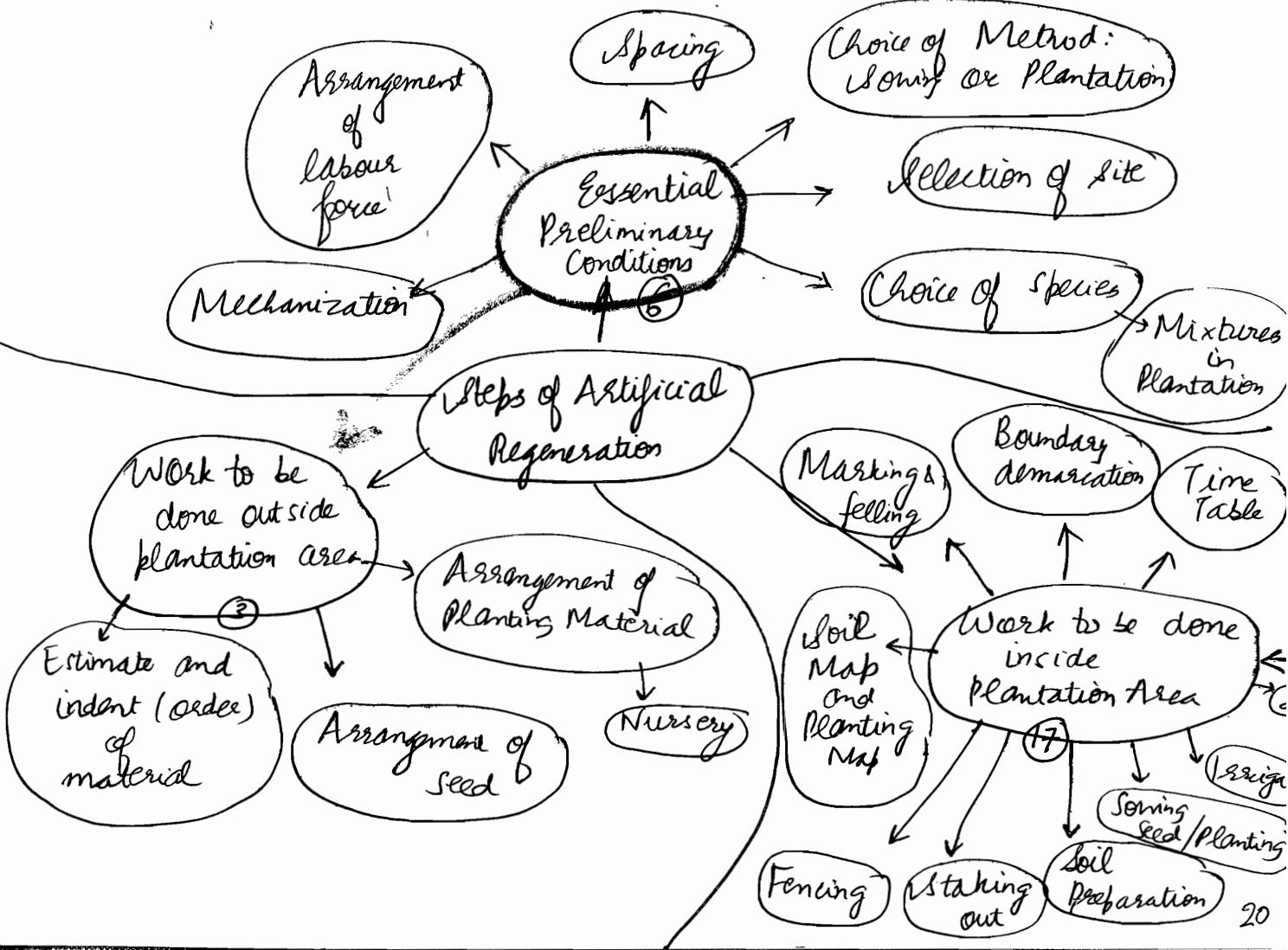


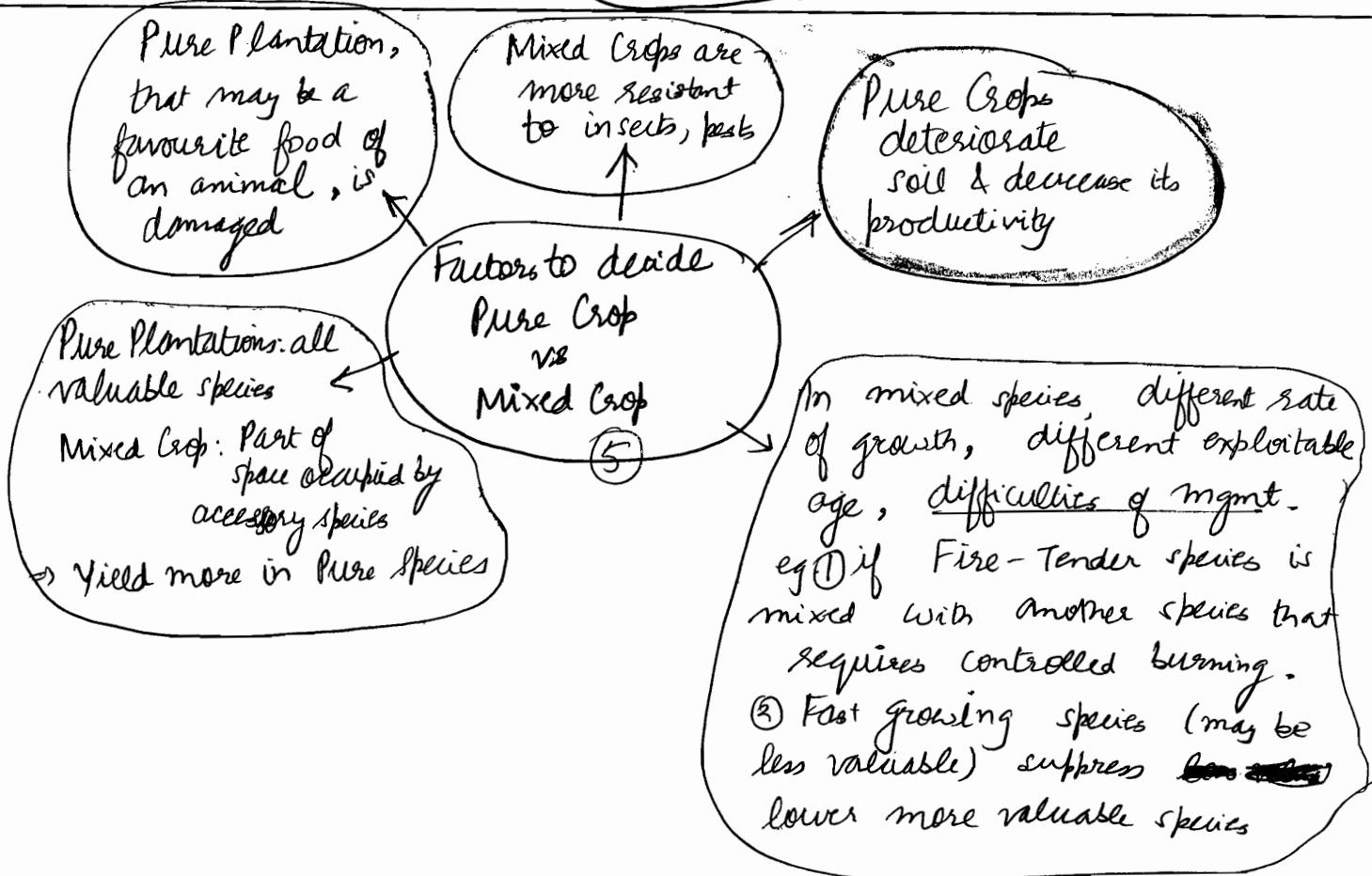
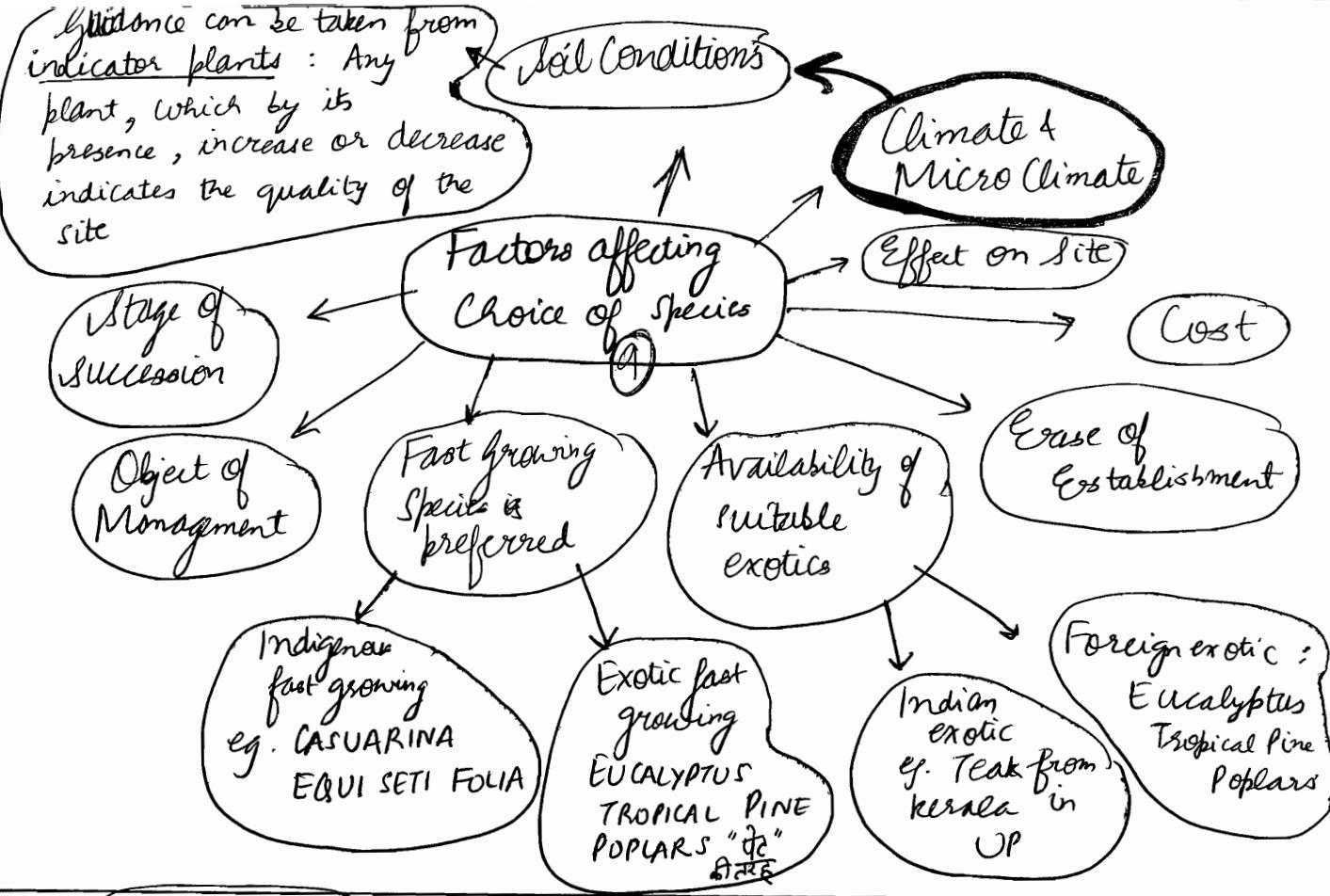
- ① Fertilizer
- ② Beating up  
(Cannulaity replacement)
- ③ Nurse Crop
- ④ Cover Crop
- ⑤ Underplanting
- ⑥ Weeding
- ⑦ Fire & General Protection
- ⑧ Plantation Journal

### Factors affecting choice between artificial & natural regeneration



### Steps of Artificial Regeneration





★ Mixtures are of two types :

- ① Temporary
- ② Permanent

◎ Stake : Pole set up as a marker

Species mixed are removed as soon as the purpose for which they were planted is achieved

Providing additional revenue

Competition in early stage to obtain better ↑bole form

swaying ⇒ lower branches are cut off

Purpose of Temporary Mixed Species (4)

Providing cover to ground & suppression of weeds

in poorer & difficult site, sowing is not successful e.g.

infertile barren soil

weed infested site

place where long closure is not possible

Condition of the site

eroded soils

Factors affecting Artificial Regeneration

Method's choice:

sowing or plantation (4)

Species to be raised

slow growing or seeds with hard-coat are raised by planting

Availability of seed

Cost

sowing only if huge amount of seeds

sowing is comparatively cheaper

No. disadv. of broadcast sowing ⇒ Most Common type

Skilled labour for sharp lines

longer time to close canopy

Soil Preparation of whole area

line ||||  
Interrupted line  
Staggered interrupted line

strip sowing

line sowing

Broad Cast Sowing

more seed is reqd  
Number of unremunerative thinning & cleaning need to be done

kinds of sowing (5)

Sowing a number of seeds in specially prepared patches

Dibbling

Sowing in shallow holes made @ definite intervals

stake is fixed @ dibble site for easy location

Patch Sowing

Patches act as small temporary nurseries

extra plants can be used to plant blank patches

Cheap method

Mixture of broadcast & line sowing

Each strip has more than 1 row  
⇒ less chance of failure

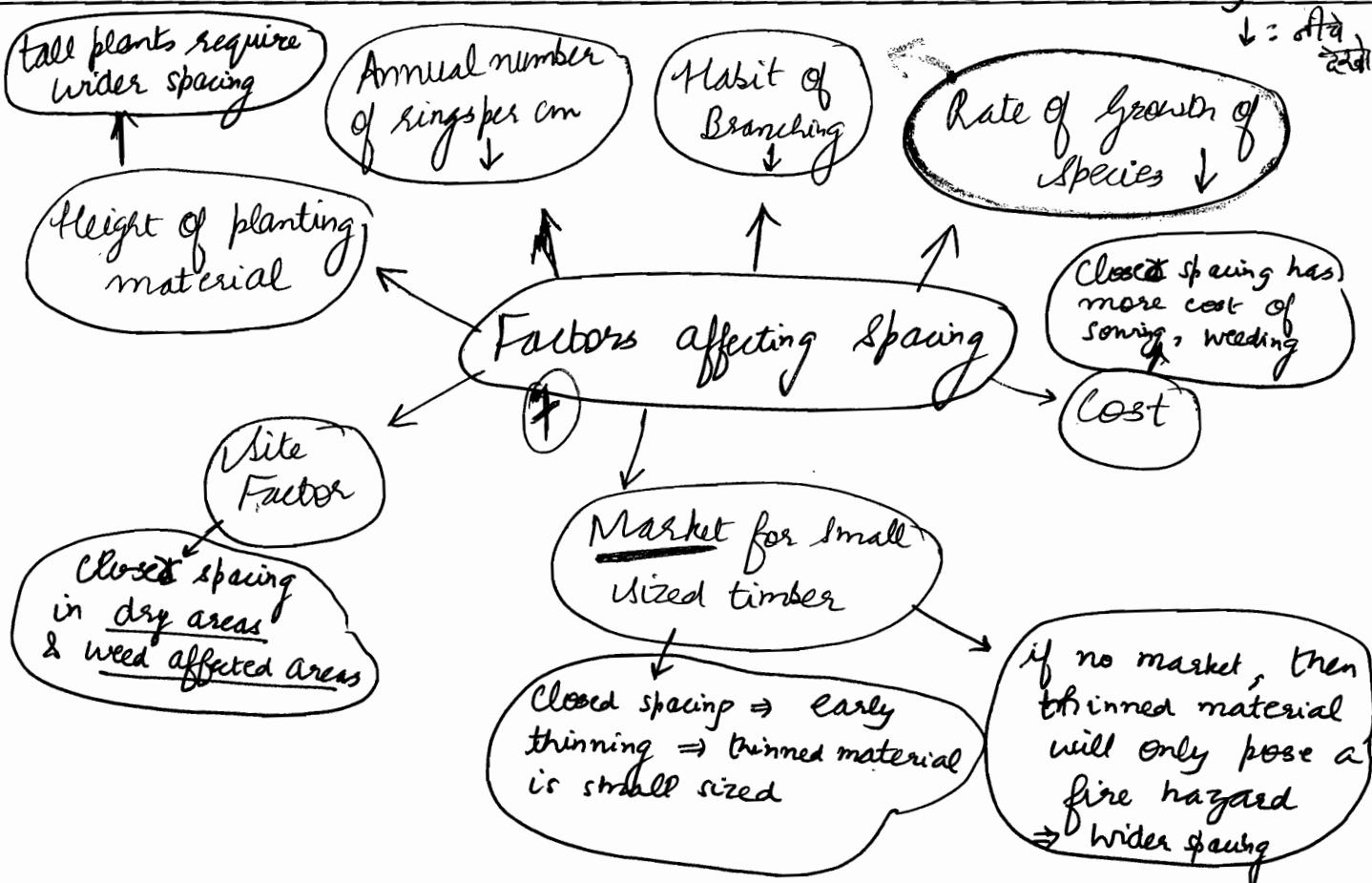
dibbling sites remain inconspicuous & escape animal or bird damage

## Adv. of sowing

- ① low cost & unskilled labour reqd.
- ② no disturbance to roots as there is no transplanting  $\Rightarrow$  no adverse effect on growth of plant.

## disadv. of sowing

- ① large quantities of seeds reqd.
- ② Birds/animals may eat up the sown seeds
- ③ seedling mortality is heavy  $\Rightarrow$  uncertain success
- ④ Weeding have to be done for a longer period, thereby making them costly.

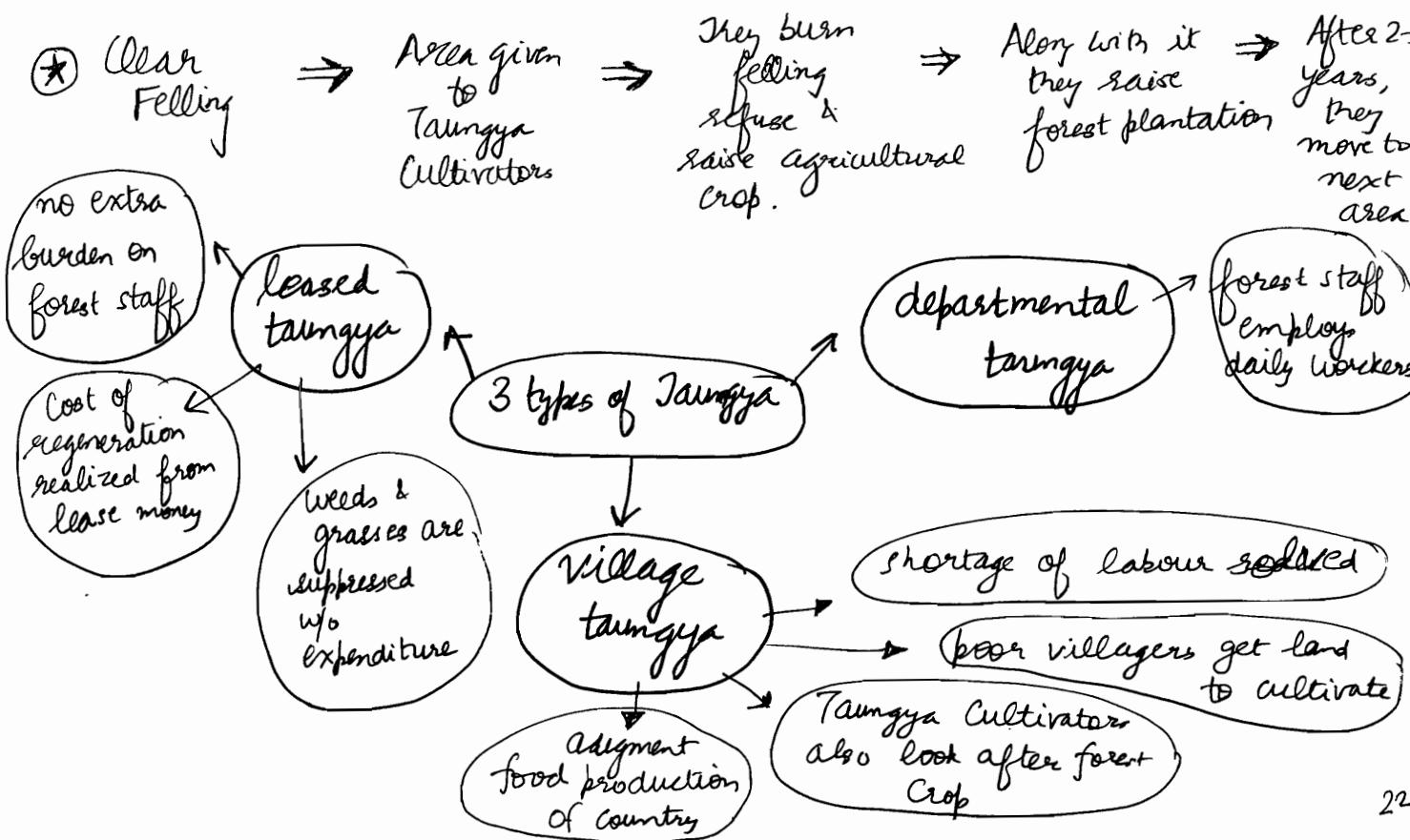


- ① Lighter Wood  $\Rightarrow$  less rings per cm  $\Rightarrow$  ~~broad~~ diameter increment required  $\Rightarrow$  wider spacing
- ② Denser Wood  $\Rightarrow$  large rings per cm  $\Rightarrow$  less diameter increment  $\Rightarrow$  closer spacing
- ★ Wider spacing  $\Rightarrow$  more light  $\Rightarrow$  more growth both height wise & diameter wise
- ③ Large number of branches reduce timber volume & decrease timber value.  $\therefore$  more branch-producing trees are spaced closely so that bole is made clean by (i) natural pruning (ii) deficient light
- ④ Most important objective of artificial regeneration is that canopy should close soon so that soil may not deteriorate due to exposure. Therefore, fast-growing species have wider spacing and slow-growing species have closer spacing.

- Adv. of wide spacing : (1) Saving in seeds and plants  
 (2) less labour required  
 (3) Cost of plantation reduced  
 (4) less competition in early stages

- Disadv. of wide spacing : (1) Canopy takes long time to close leading to soil deterioration.  
 (2) If 1 plant dies  $\Rightarrow$  big gap in plantation  $\Rightarrow$  infestation with grasses & weeds  
 (3) Trees tend to become branchy  $\Rightarrow$  knotty timber  
 (4) As less number of plants  $\Rightarrow$  thinnings become difficult.  
 (5) Wide spacing  $\Rightarrow$  rapid diameter increment  $\Rightarrow$  wider annual rings  $\Rightarrow$  low density & strength of wood

- Plantation in which forest crops are raised along with agricultural crops are known as Taungyas.  
 Destructive method of shifting cultivation has been changed by foresters into cheap & productive method of raising forest crops in conjunction with agricultural crops.



## ① Disadv. of Taungya

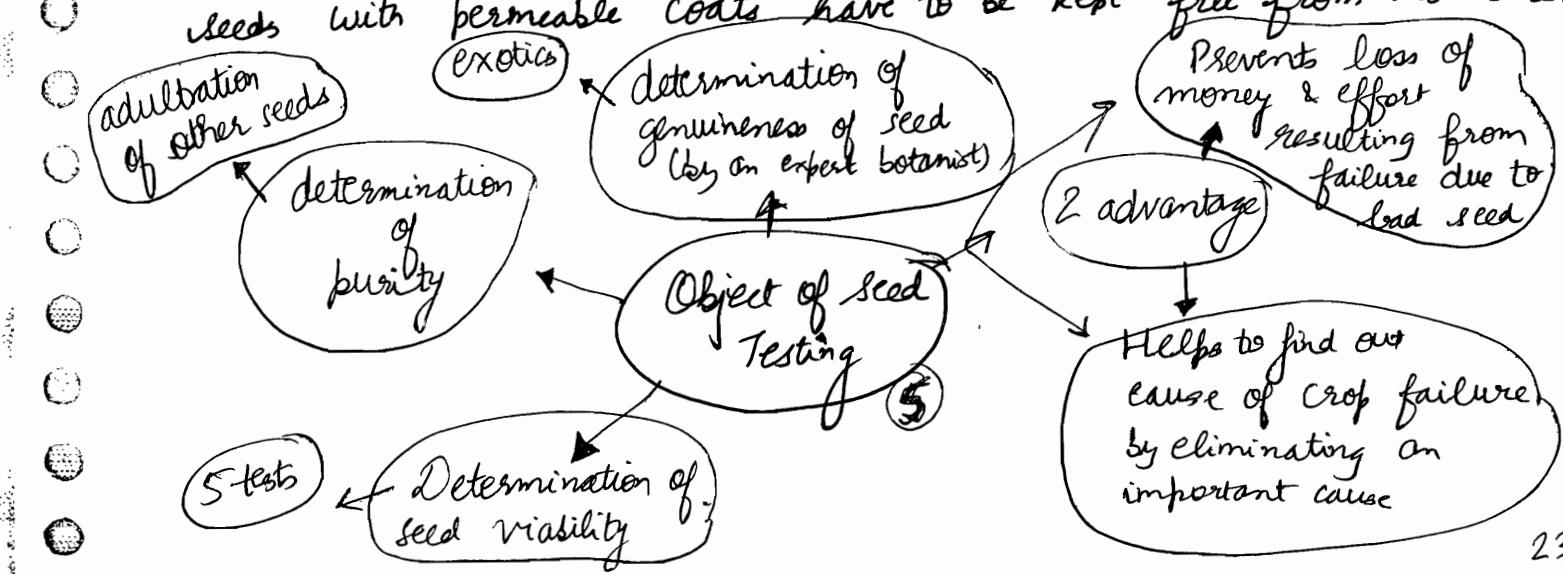
- (1) Ploughing & Tilling of interfaces in sloping areas ↑ soil erosion.
- (2) Agriculture cultivation leads to loss of fertility of soil.
- (3) cultivation of crops increase danger of epidemics, pests.
- (4) legal problems are created to evict them after 2-3 years. Also they start to neglect the plantation work.
- (5) It's a method of human exploitation.

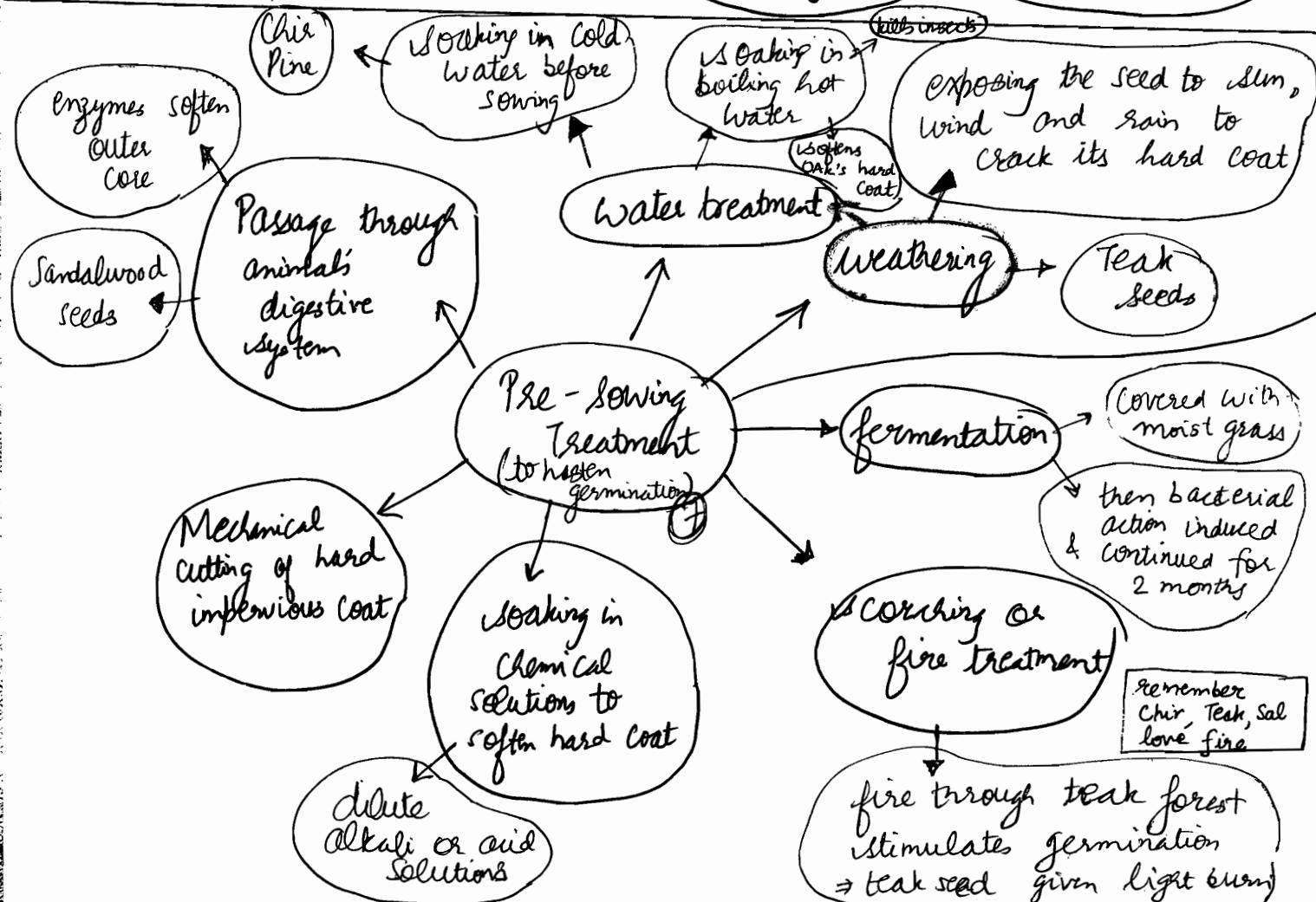
② Plantation time table is very important eg. For deodar, fir and spruce, nursery has to be raised 3 to 5 years in advance.



- Cleaning of seed by :
  - ① Hand Picking (removal of large crap)
  - ② Separation by Water  
(good seeds sink to bottom)
  - ③ Winnowing   
(to remove light husk & dust)
  - ④ Sieving  
(both types of sieves, larger than seed & smaller than seed)

- For single-seeded fruits, larger the seed, better it is !!
- Ideal storage conditions are those in which respiration and transpiration is reduced to a minimum, w/o damaging the inherent vitality & strength of seed embryo.
- → drying (open/shade) and storage (cold/warm condition)
- Wise → should ideally follow nature for any species.
- Follow nature e.g. Seeds of open deciduous forest : dried in sun  
seeds of evergreen forest : dried in shade  
seeds that ripe in autumn & germinate in spring (Oct) : stored in cold condition
- Seeds having a hard-coat with very slow permeability to water do not need any special precaution for storage while seeds with permeable coats have to be kept free from moisture.





**Nursery** is an area where plants are raised for eventual planting out.

It has 2 types of beds :

① **Seedling Bed** : Beds in which seedlings are raised either for transplanting in other beds or for planting out.

② **Transplant Bed** : Beds in which seedlings raised in seedling beds are transplanted before planting out in forest.

✓ Nursery may be :

**dry** (no irrigation facility)

or

**wet** (irrigation facility during dry period)

✓ Nursery may be :

**Temporary**

or

**permanent**

① to meet requirement of a small area  $\Rightarrow$  smaller  
② made in newly cleared site  $\Rightarrow$  rich in humus  
 $\Rightarrow$  does not require manuring

① to supply nursery stock for a long time on a permanent basis

② larger

③ plants are raised year after year  $\Rightarrow$  fertility ↓  
 $\Rightarrow$  manured regularly

④ facilities of irrigation & shading

- testing exotics
- genetic improvement

**Roadside Avenue Plantations** depend on planting table and sturdy plants

Some species grow very slowly. If directly sown, they will be suppressed by weeds

Some species do not seed every year.  
Annual Plantations are ensured by nursery

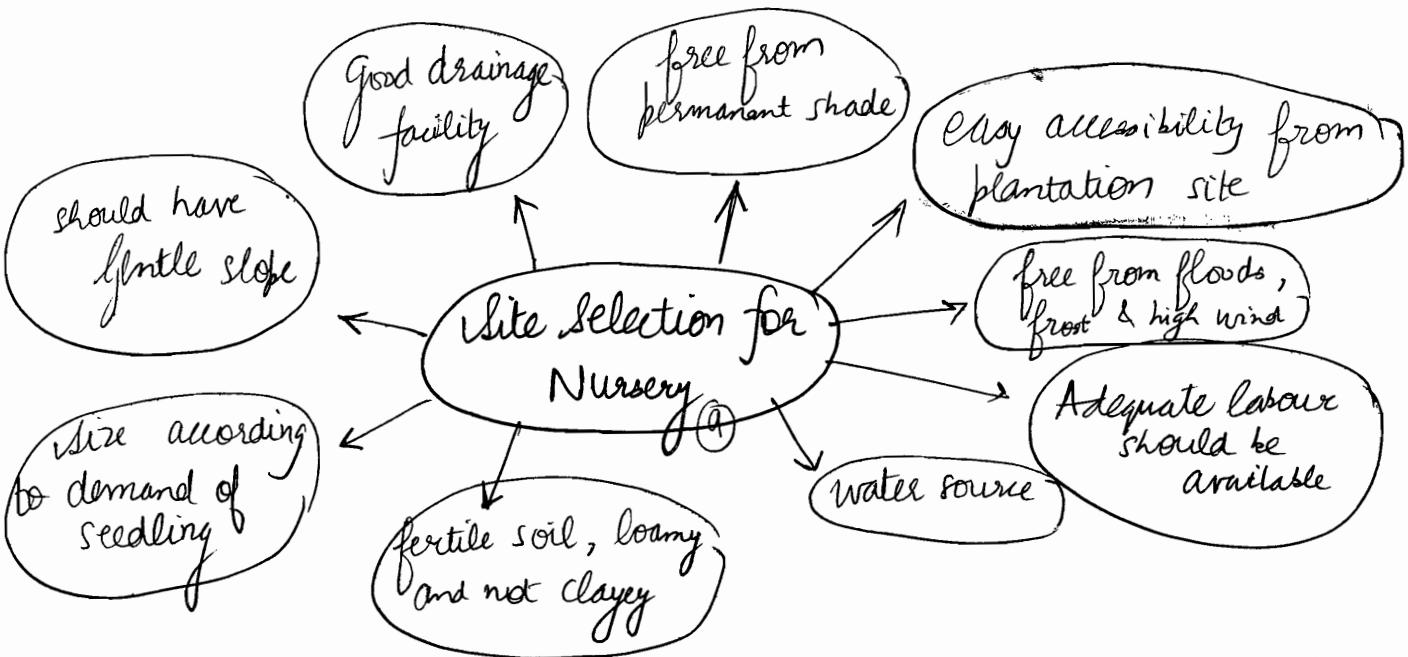
**Objects of Nursery**

Direct sowings are sometimes not successful especially barren sites

Introduction of Exotics

**Causalities** in plantation & sowing. Replacement with help of nursery only

④ We can write points of adv. of plantation over sowing

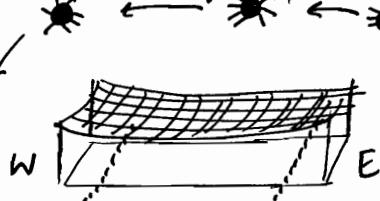
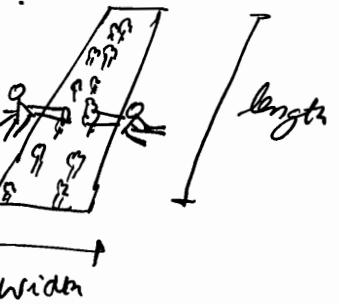


### ④ While calculating :

- 50% more area for paths in nursery
- 80% more seeds to account for casualties.

### ⑤ Width of a nursery bed should be such that

it can be weeded by labour sitting on both sides of it without resting a hand or foot in it



In Hills, nurseries are made after terracing the area.

~~After~~ nursery should be divided into blocks (divided by permanent paths) which then be subdivided into nursery beds (divided by katchha paths)



Beds should be laid with their lengths East - to - West so that they can be shaded against sun & frost without difficulty

### ⑥ Lay Out of Nursery

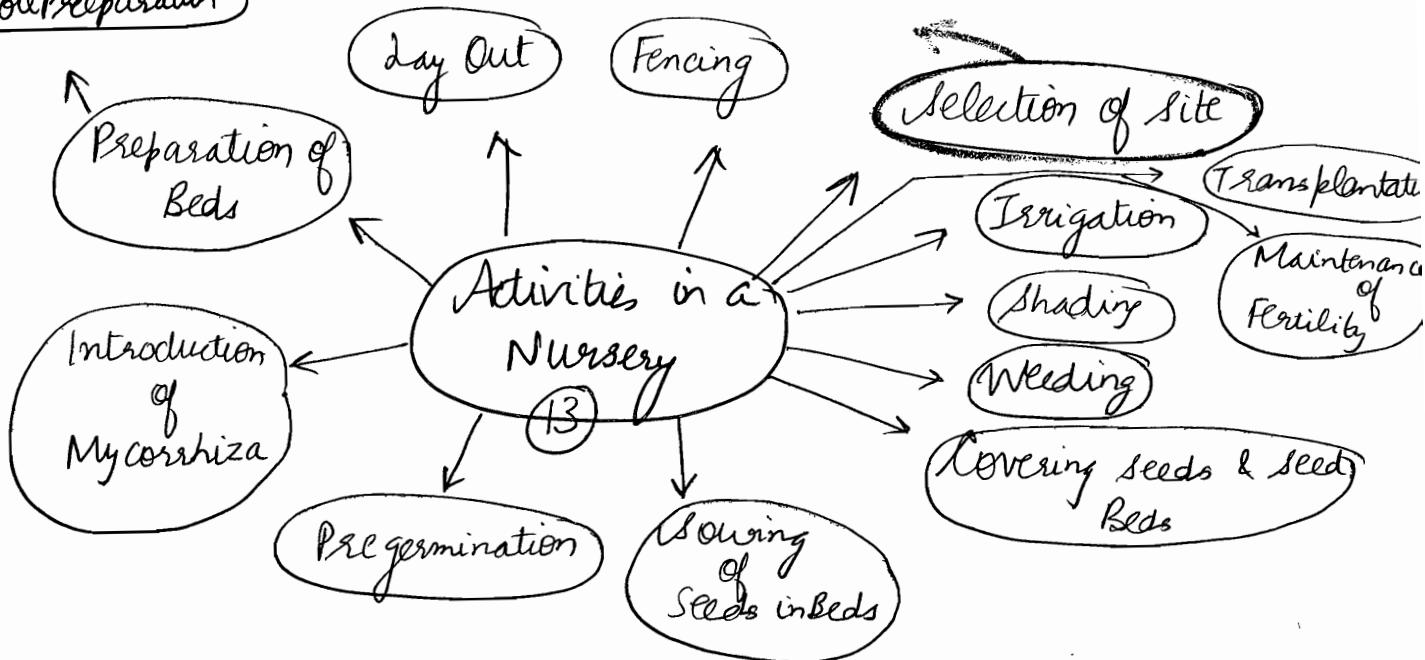
For extensively mechanized plantations, there should be provision for wide roads on which trailers can ply

Each bed should have road on one side and irrigation channel on other i.e. there should be a road after every 2 beds



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## Soil Preparation



- Species with slow or irregular germination (e.g. Teak), its better to pregerminate seeds in trays & then sow the pregerminated seeds in nursery beds, so that germination is complete & there are no blanks in nursery

killing of young seedling by fungi that cause decay of stem/roots.

If sown very close, it results in

- poor germination
- greater mortality
- weak stock
- difficulty in weeding
- damping off

Broadcasting done for smaller seeds, its preferable to sow them into rows to avoid difficulty in weeding

Even though initially seeds are sown closer, after germination, excess plants are transplanted in other beds.

### Precautions while sowing seeds in nursery

Seeds should not be sown too deep as germinating shoots have to push through thick soil layer, in which process, it may die. Also not left on surface else birds will eat. Ideal depth of soil above  $\approx$  diameter of seed

\* When there is danger of birds / insects / rodents eating up seeds :

① Cover seed with repellent like → red lead ( $Pb_3O_4$ )  
→ kerosene oil  
→ Camphor

② application of insecticide in soil → ALDREX  
→ DDT  
→ BHC

③ use of protective covering on seed bed → thorns (deodar)

\* 2 precautions while weeding :

① Roots of desired seedling are not disturbed. Hold the seedlings firmly between 2 fingers of left hand while pulling out weed by right hand

② Weeding is not done when soil is wet to avoid removal of soil along with weed roots & consequent exposure of roots of desired species. (विटनि द्वारा नहीं बाला करें, नुस्खा द्वारा नहीं)

\* 2 precautions while shading :

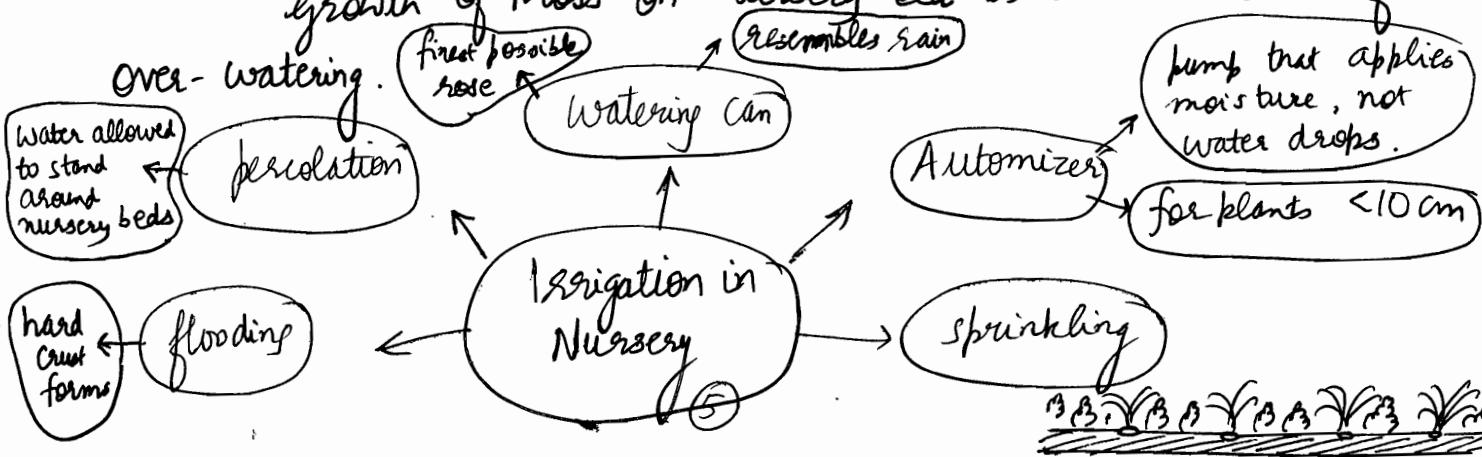
① Seedling of frost tender species require protection against morning sun in frost localities (transpiration but no water) due to frozen soil but shade

should be removed as soon as soil temperature rises, so that soil does not get chilled for want of sunlight, resulting in greater damage to seedlings.

- ② Plants get used to shade and it's necessary to harden off the seedling before "planting out" by reducing the period of shade gradually.

- Irrigation is usually done in afternoon. But in places, where frost is feared, it's done in the morning.

Growth of Moss on nursery bed is an indication of Over-watering.

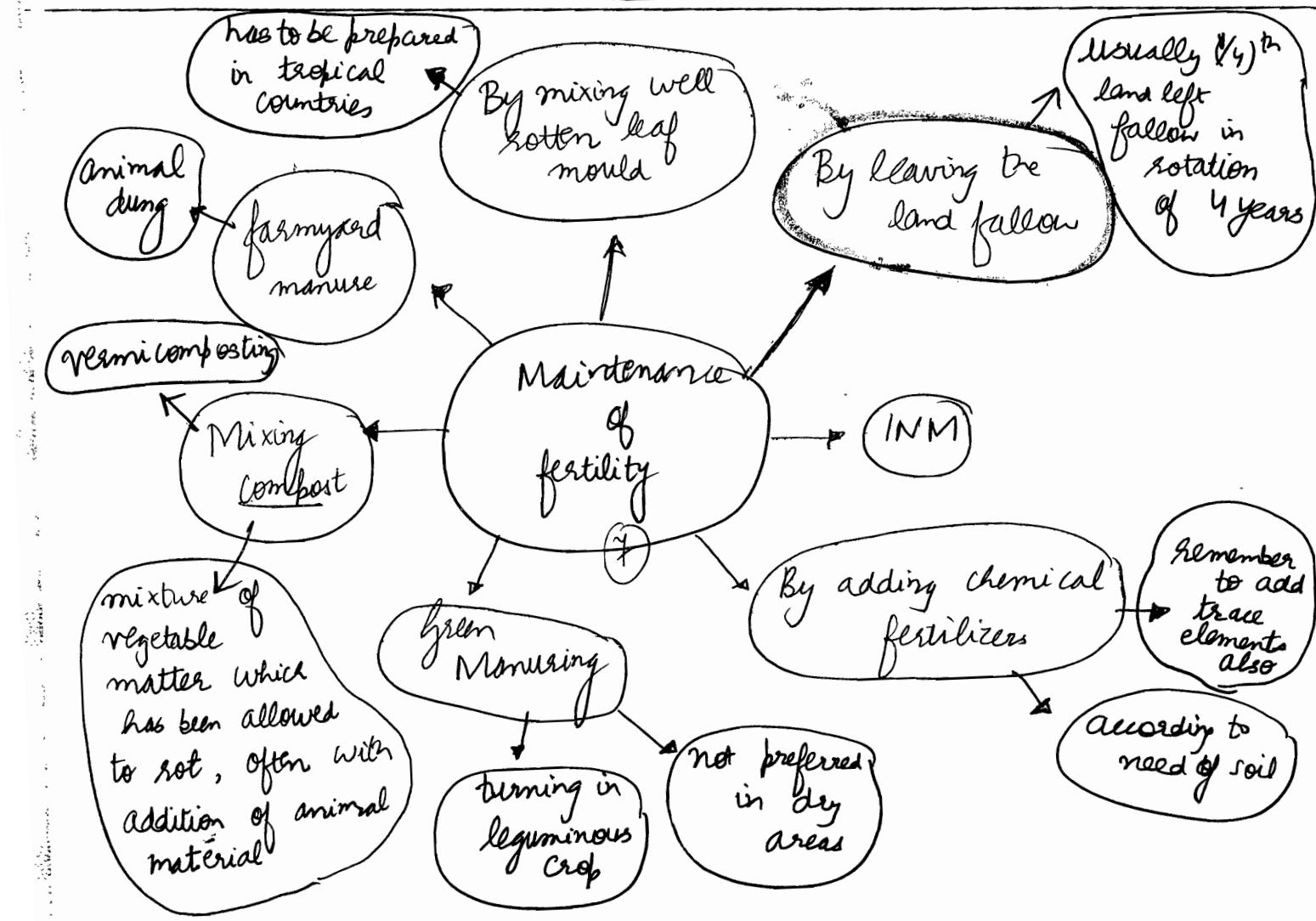
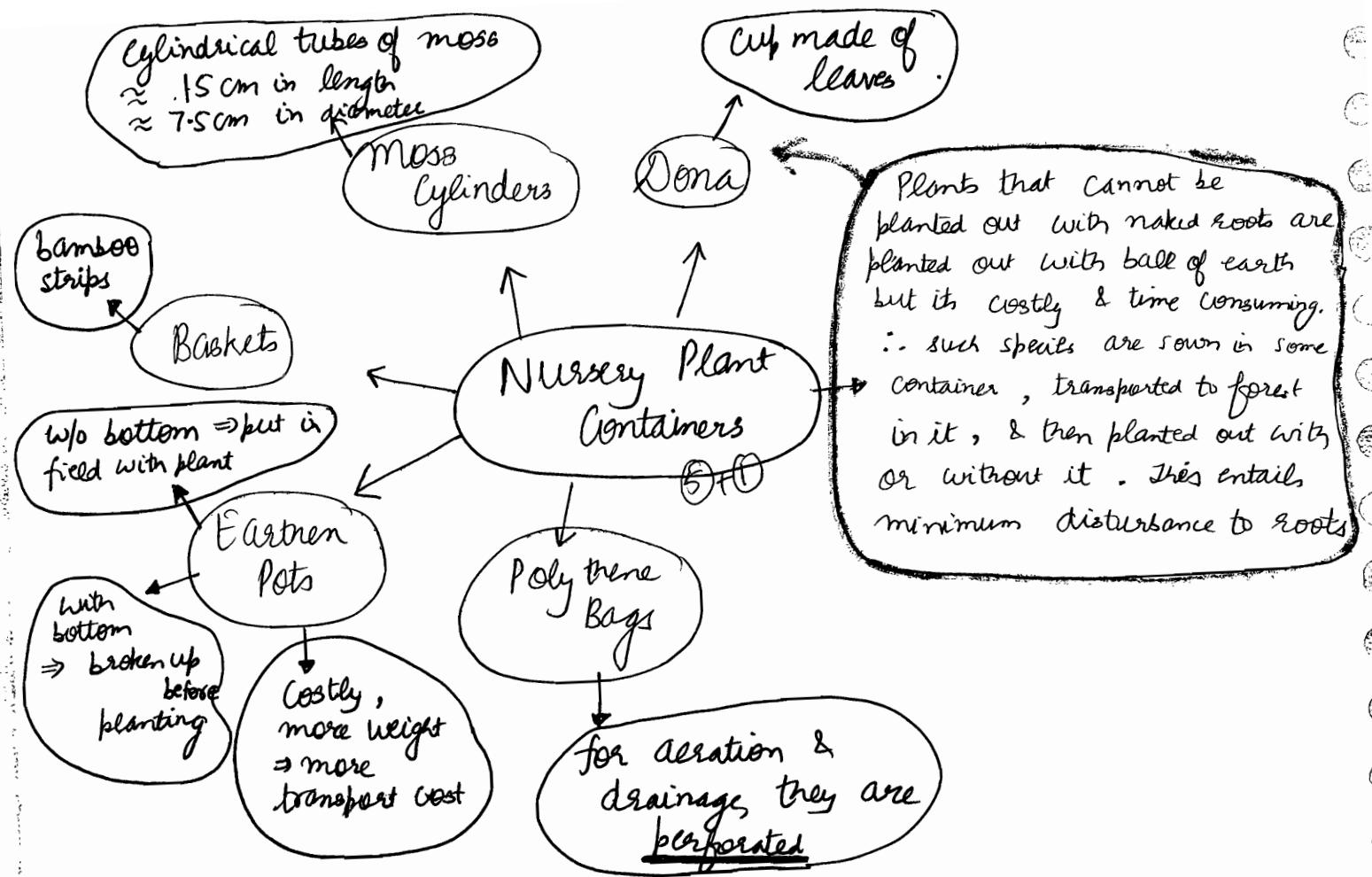


nursery → plantation : Planting Out  
nursery → nursery : transplantation

### ★ 2 reasons for transplantation

- ① If seedlings are allowed to remain in bed (as stock is not yet of adequate height or plantation preparation is yet incomplete), they develop long tap roots, making planting out difficult. Transplanting helps to create bushy roots.
- ② Younger seedlings are quite close together & as they grow they tend to suppress each other. Transplantation done at greater space.

→ done in Deodar, Fir, Spruce



Work to be done outside plantation area

- ① While demarcating the area, care should be taken to make it rectangular because irregular boundary makes it difficult & expensive to fence.
- ② The marked trees are auctioned with specific conditions that the contractor will remove his material & burn the debris to clean the area by a specific date. There is where there is a lot of corruption.
- ③ A strip of 3-6 m in width is left outside the plantation area to serve as a fireline.
- ④ After clearance of the area, soil map or suitability map is made depicting tree species and the soil working required according to different soil conditions in the area.



## (5) Soil Preparation

The dug up soil is heaped up on a side of trench to weather for a month or two.

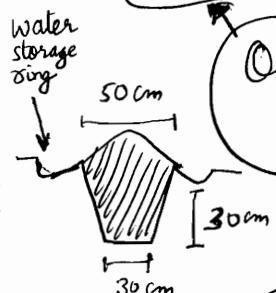
Crumb structure is improved. Bigger clods are broken into smaller clods.

Roots of the weeds get dried up

Injurious insects are eaten up by birds

level of seedbed is kept higher by building a raised heap (soil is loosened upon weathering & therefore allows heap to be built) in case of high rainfall condition or lower in low rainfall condition to collect water

used in clayey soils



Ordinary pit

(5)  
Type of Pit

Saucer Pit

for dry zones

Ring Pit

circular trench  
20 cm away  
from pit

Trench Ridge

Trench for water storage

for salt affected soils  
provides for leaching

Ridge Ditch

Partly filled

on slopes

On slopes, trenches are made along contours

Digging of soil depends on type of sowing  
e.g. strip sowing, batch sowing

To dig out roots of weeds so that weed growth is reduced

To improve aeration of soil

Objects

To enable rain water to percolate deeper so that moisture is retained during drought

To enable seedling to develop deep roots

(5)

Temperate species should be sown in early spring when snow melts but it's difficult, so done before snowfall

silver fir

Tropical deciduous: sow just before the rains to get maximum benefit of growth period & long tap root before the end of rainy season is developed

Time of sowing

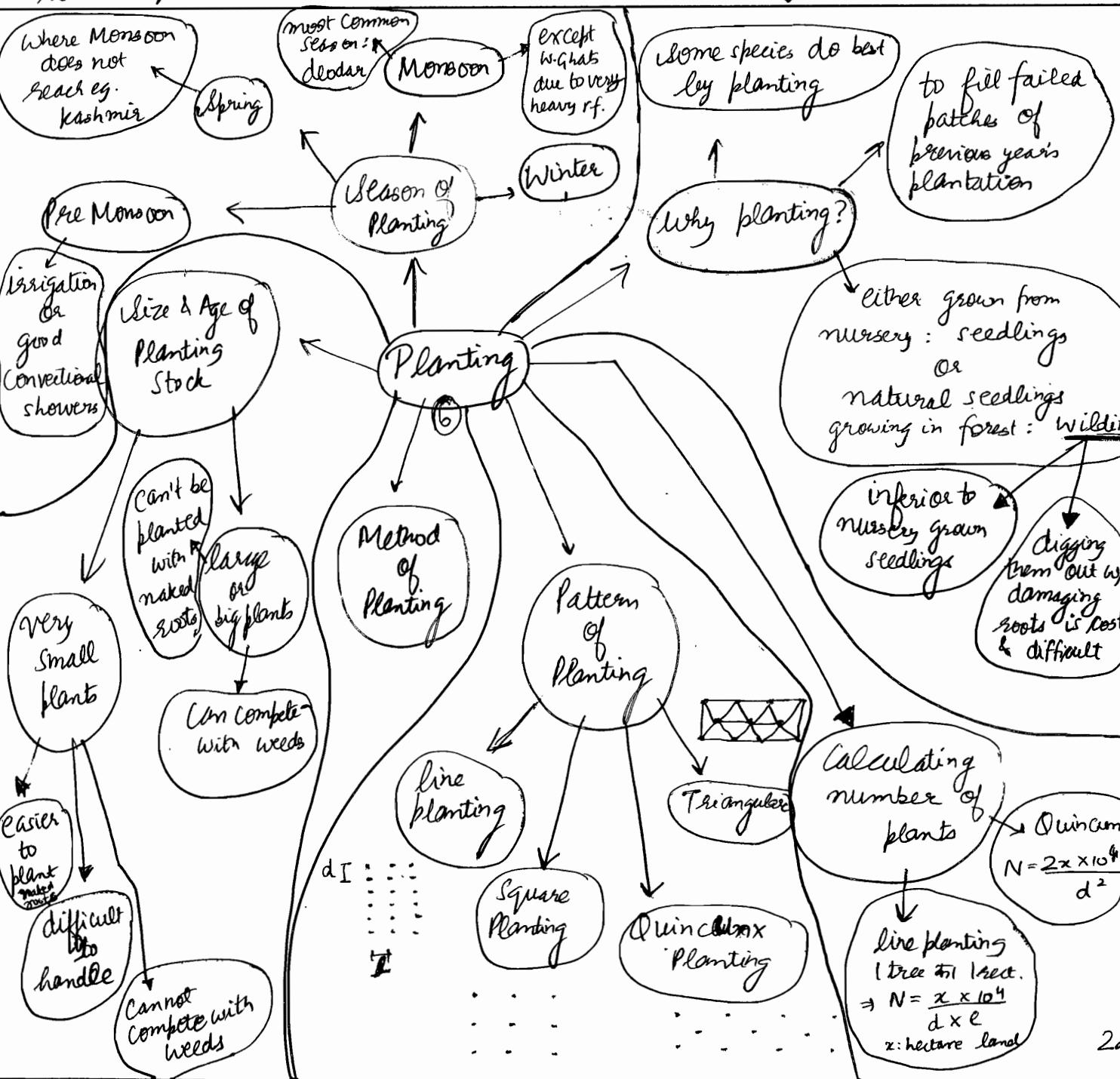
shortly before the time when it germinates in nature

Sowing seed

Depth of sowing

Quantity of seeds to be sown

① If there is danger seed being eaten up by birds, insects or rodents, it is mixed with red lead (1 kg for 10 kg seeds)

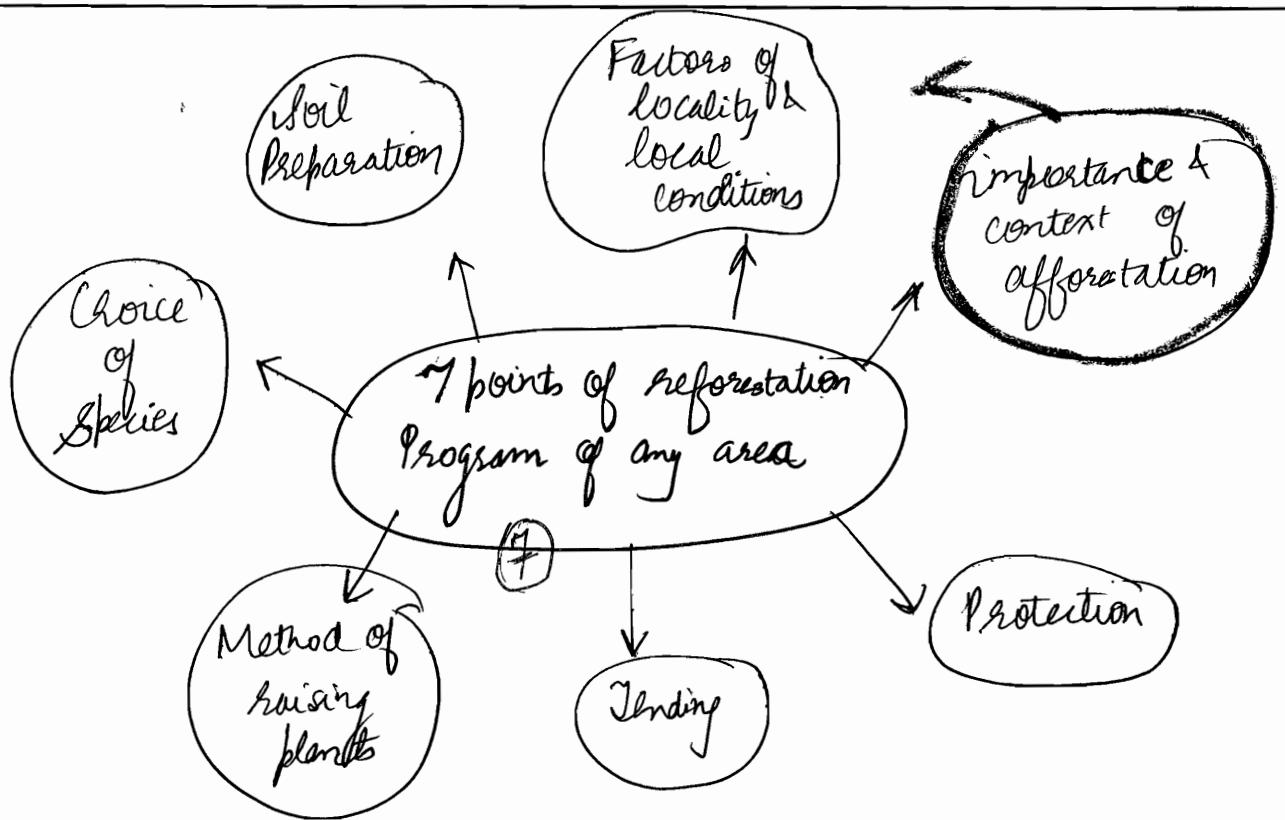
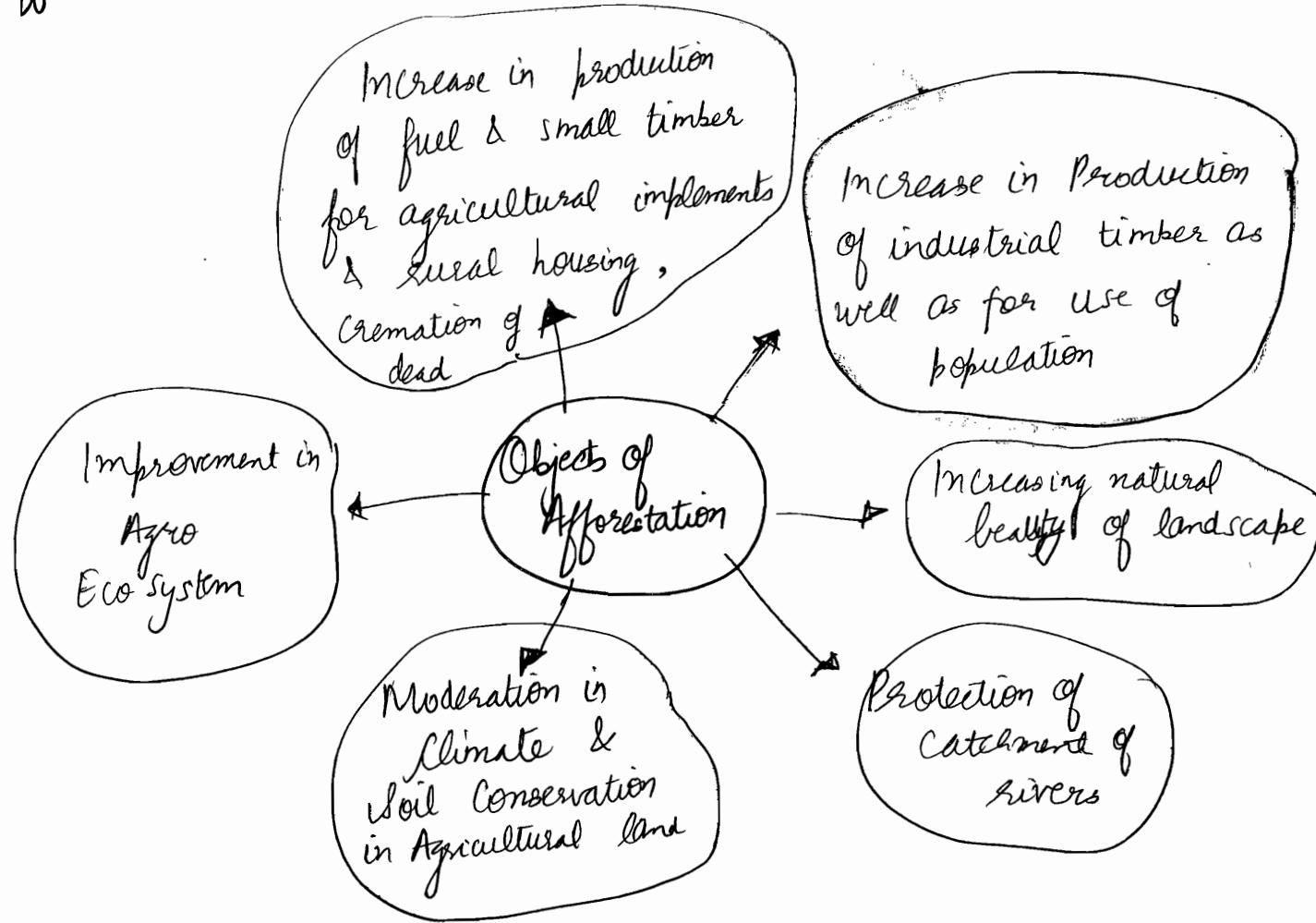


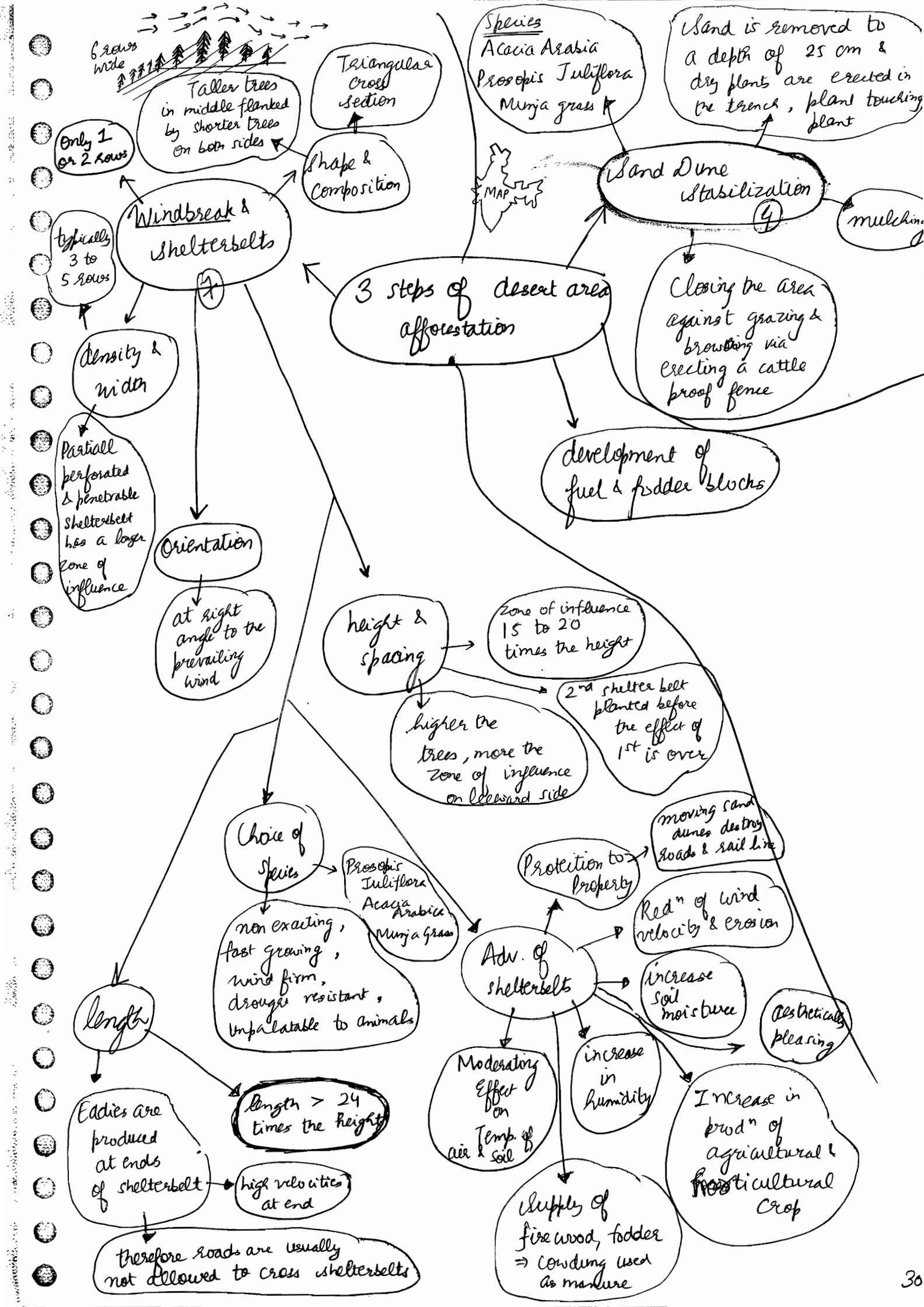


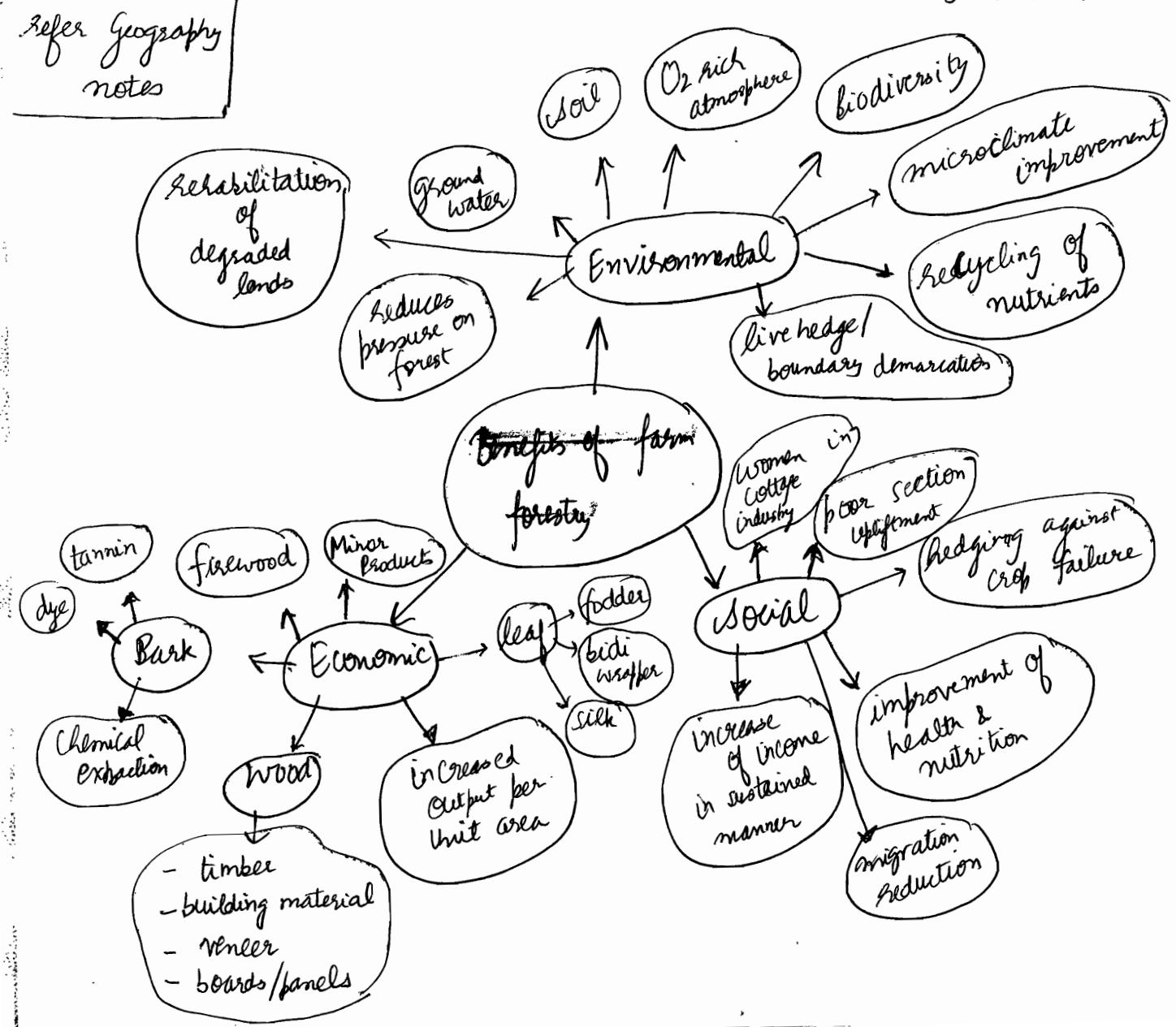
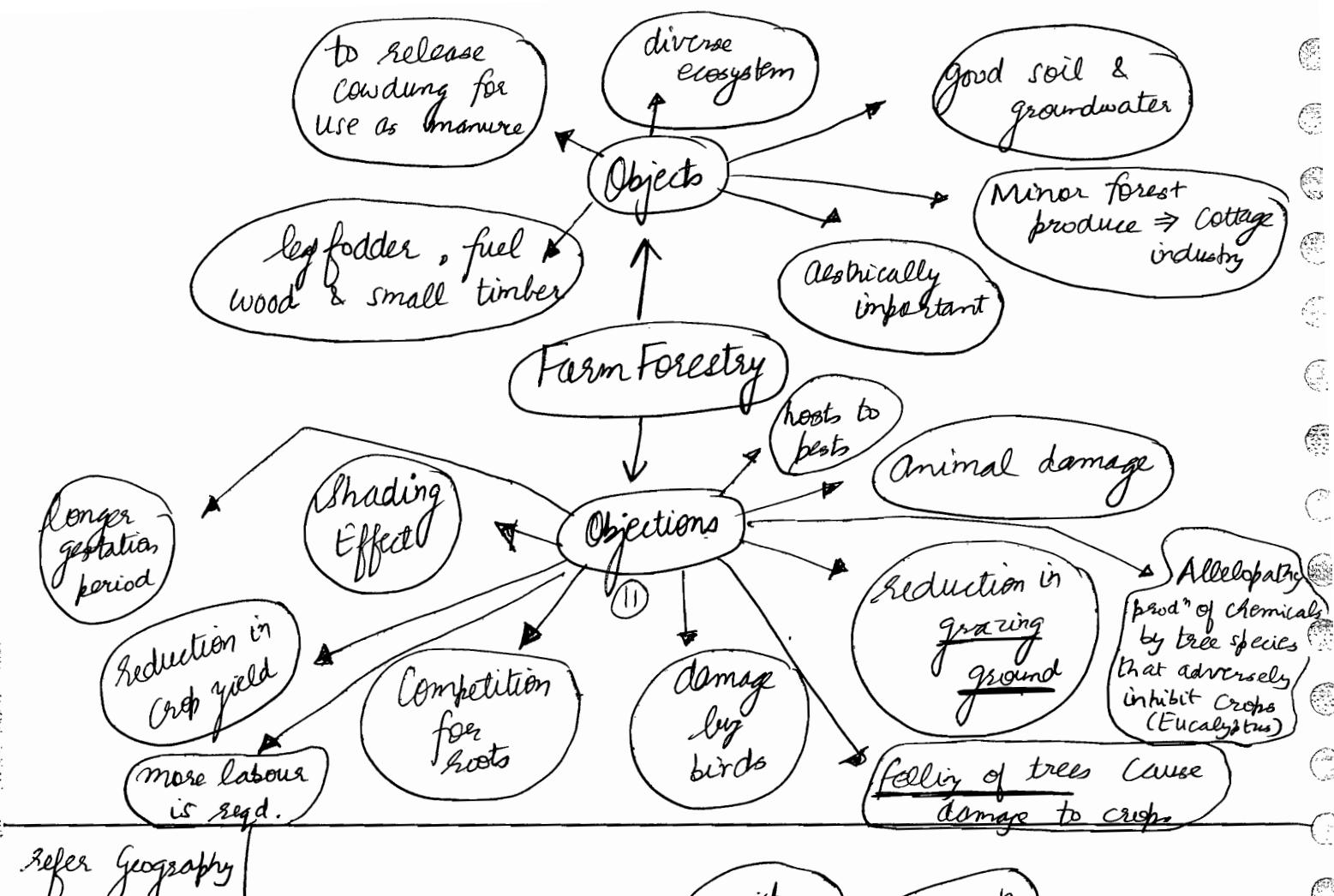
- ① In road side avenues, plants are watered during the first and second year to accelerate their growth so that they are beyond the reach of cattle as early as possible.
- ② 'Casualty Replacement' i.e. filling up of blanks is called Beating Up.



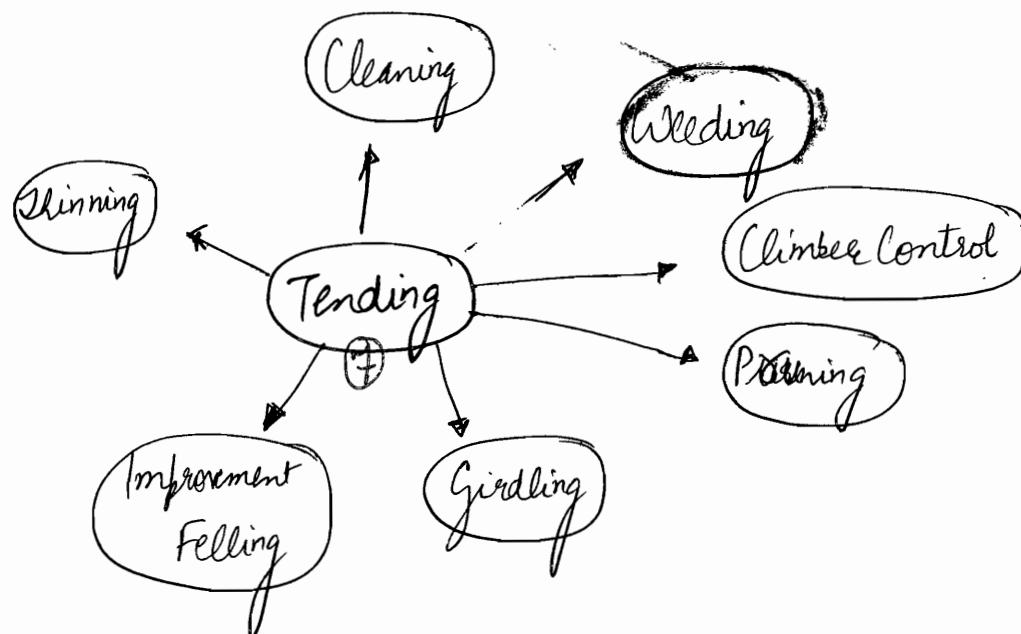
## Afforestation



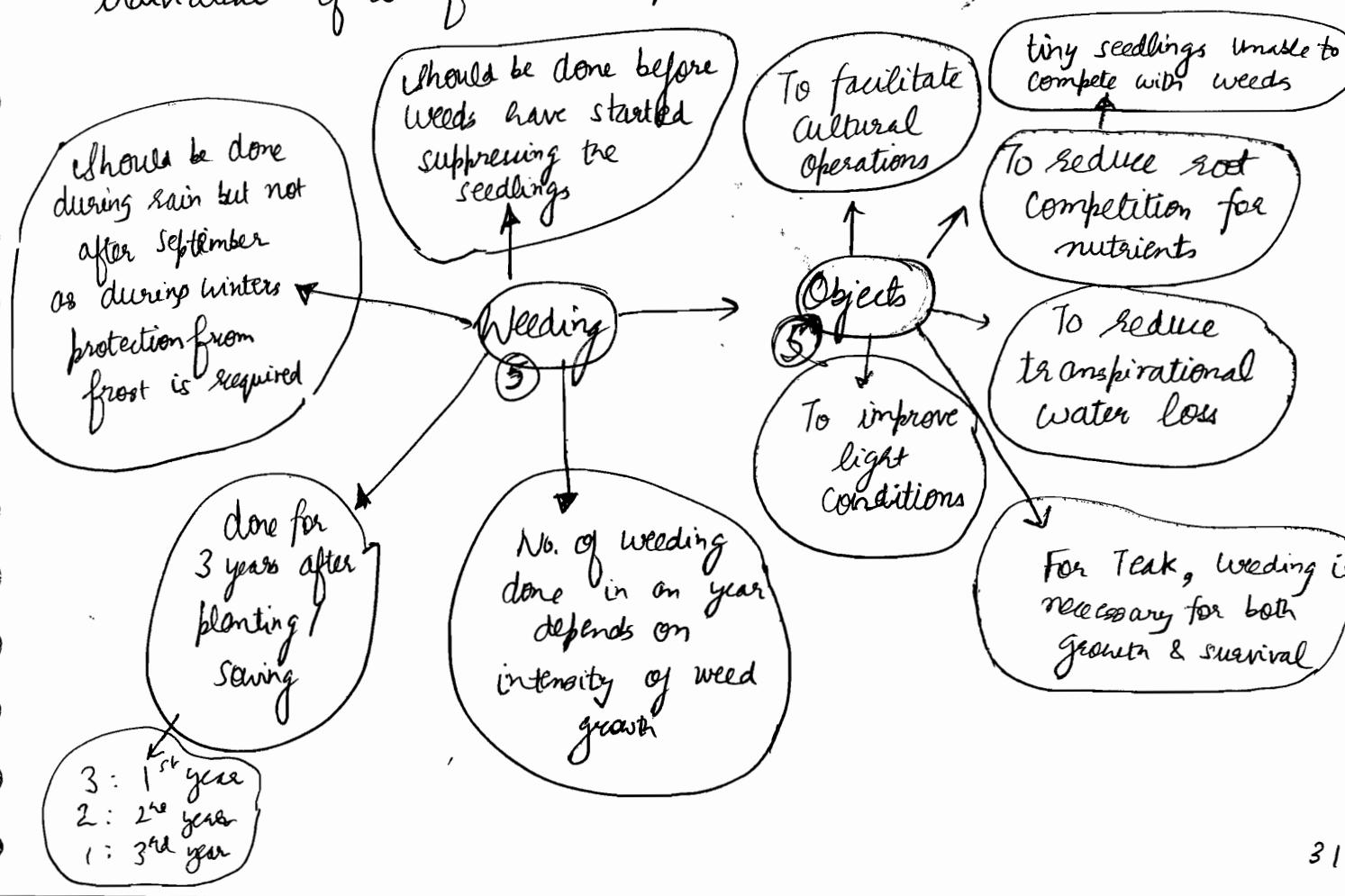




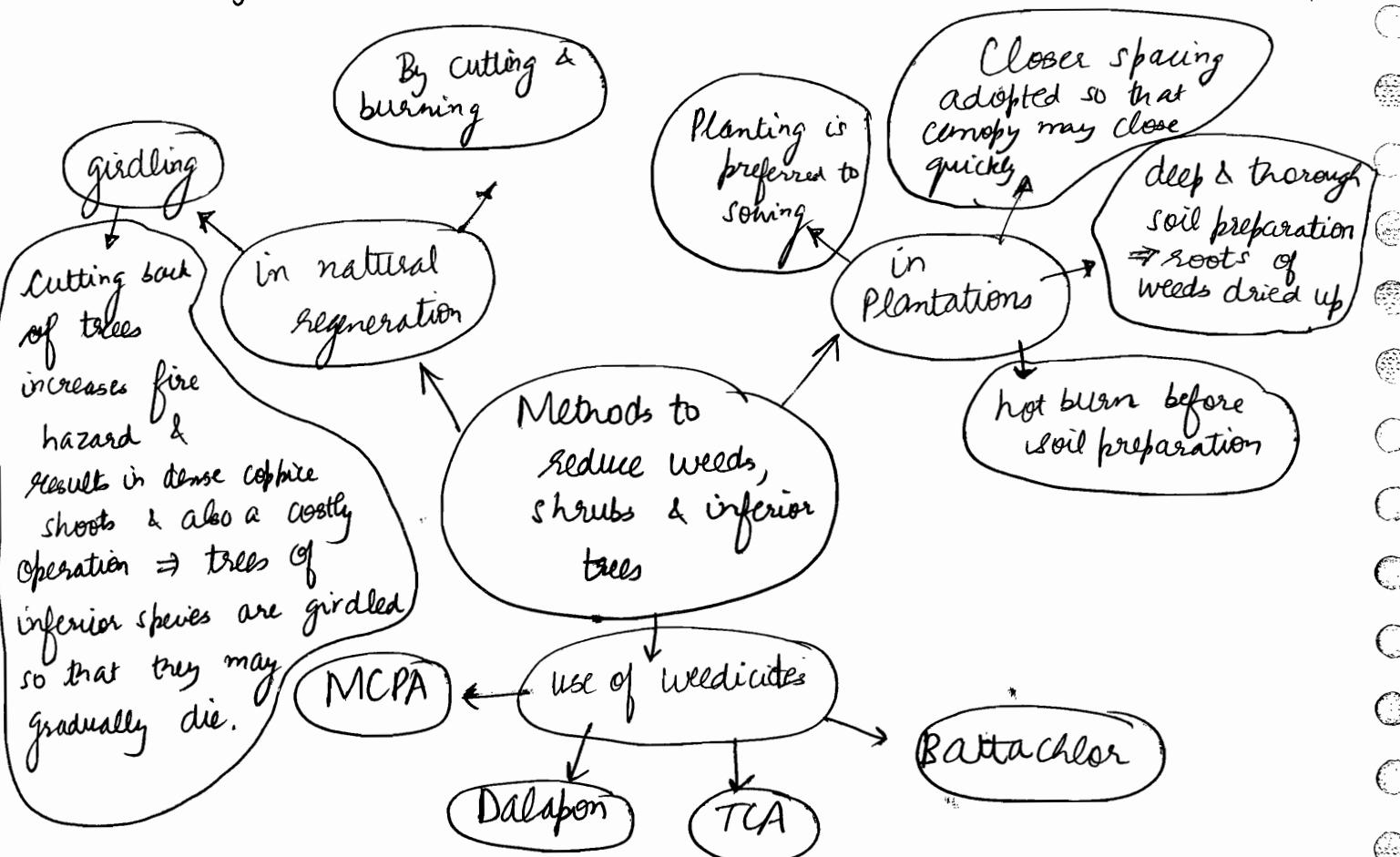
## Tending



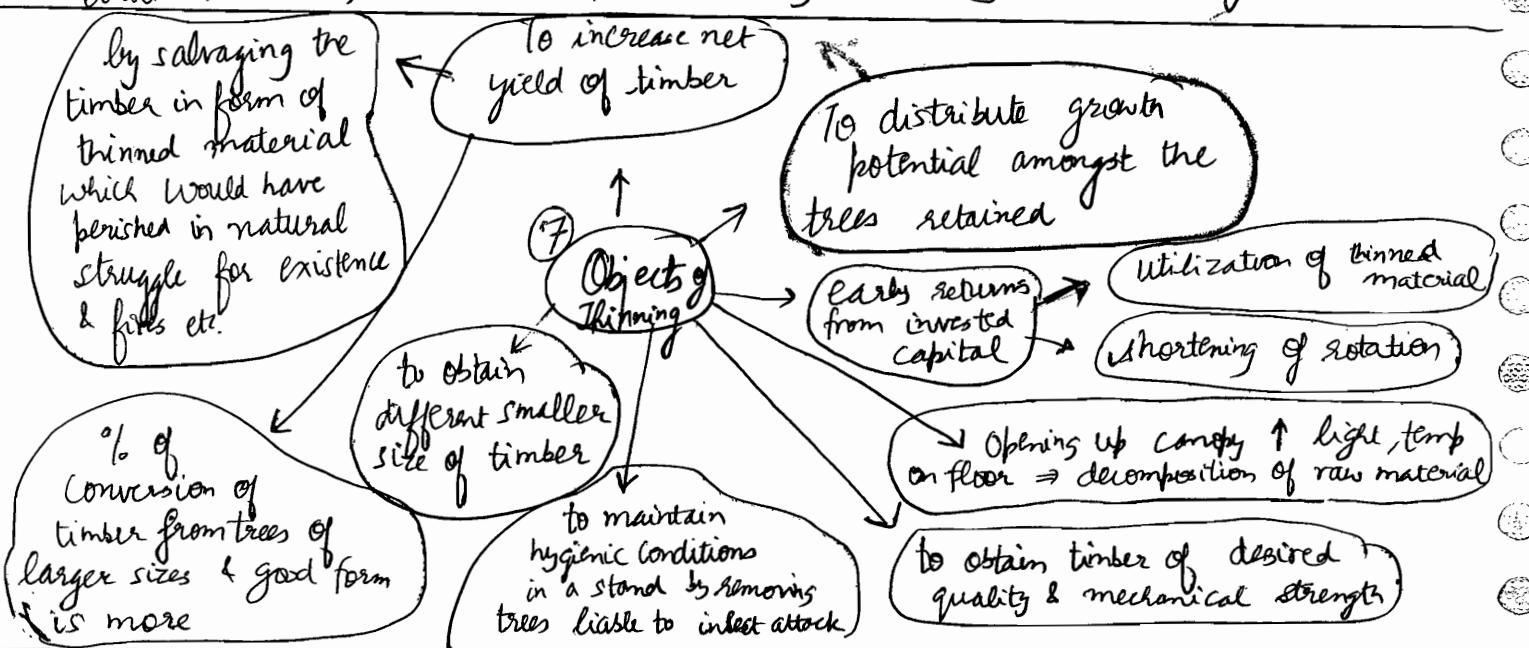
- ① Tending is defined as an operation carried out for the benefit of a forest crop at any stage of its life. It includes weeding, cleaning, .... & climber control. Ultimate aim is to produce high quality timber, thereby maximizing income.
- ② Any unwanted plant that interferes with the growth of the individual of a favoured species is called weed.

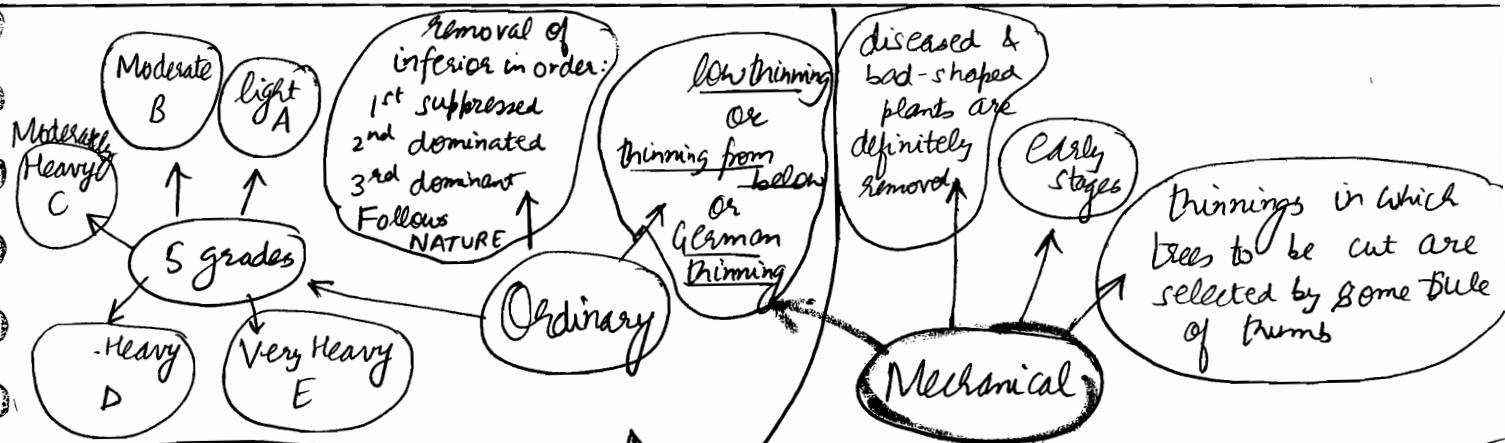
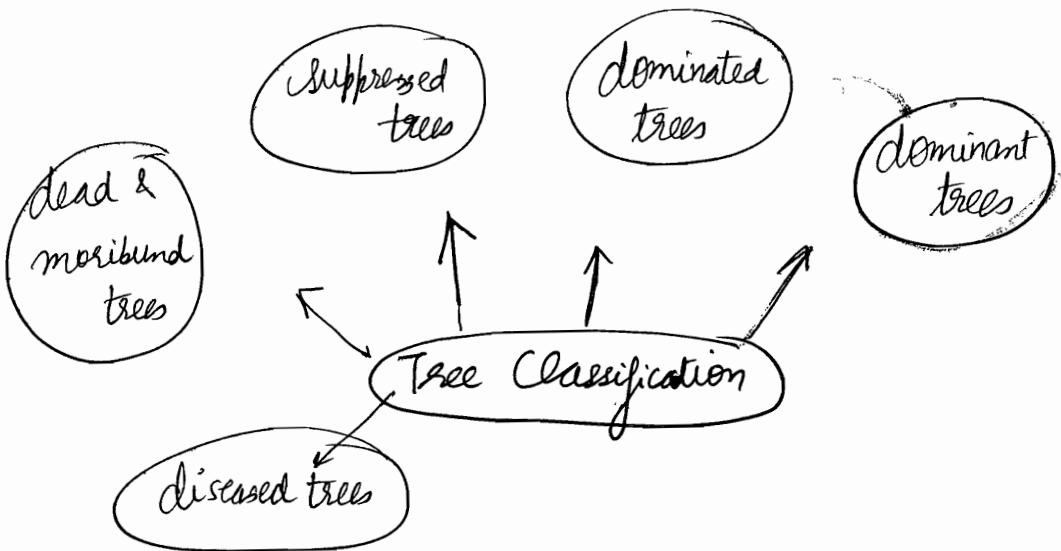


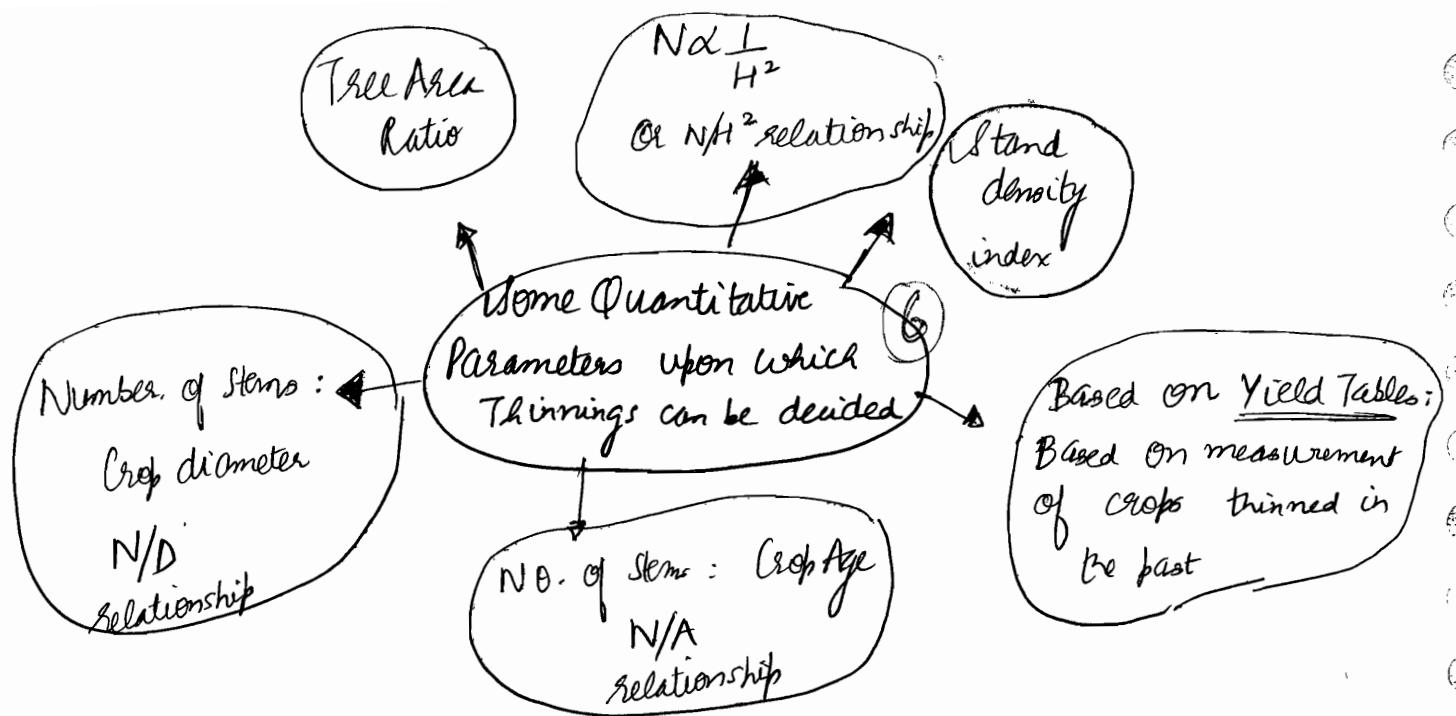
- Cleaning is defined as a tending operation done in a sapling crop, involving the removal of inferior growth, including individuals of favoured species, when they are interfering with the better grown individuals of the favoured species. It merges with thinning as saplings grow into poles.



- Thinning refers to the fellings made in an immature stand for the purpose of improving the growth & form of trees that remain, without permanently breaking the canopy.







Selection Thinning Thinning carried out in irregular crops is called selection thinning. Its directed to maintain/ obtain selection composition in a crop, with all diameter classes adequately represented, therefore carried out in all the classes of canopy.

Improvement Felling Removal of less valuable trees in a crop in the interest of better growth of more valuable individuals.

Girdling Cutting through bark and outer living layer of wood in a continuous incision all round thebole of a tree. Aim is to kill inferior trees where their removal is either uneconomical or adverse for nearby trees → mechanical damage → fire hazard

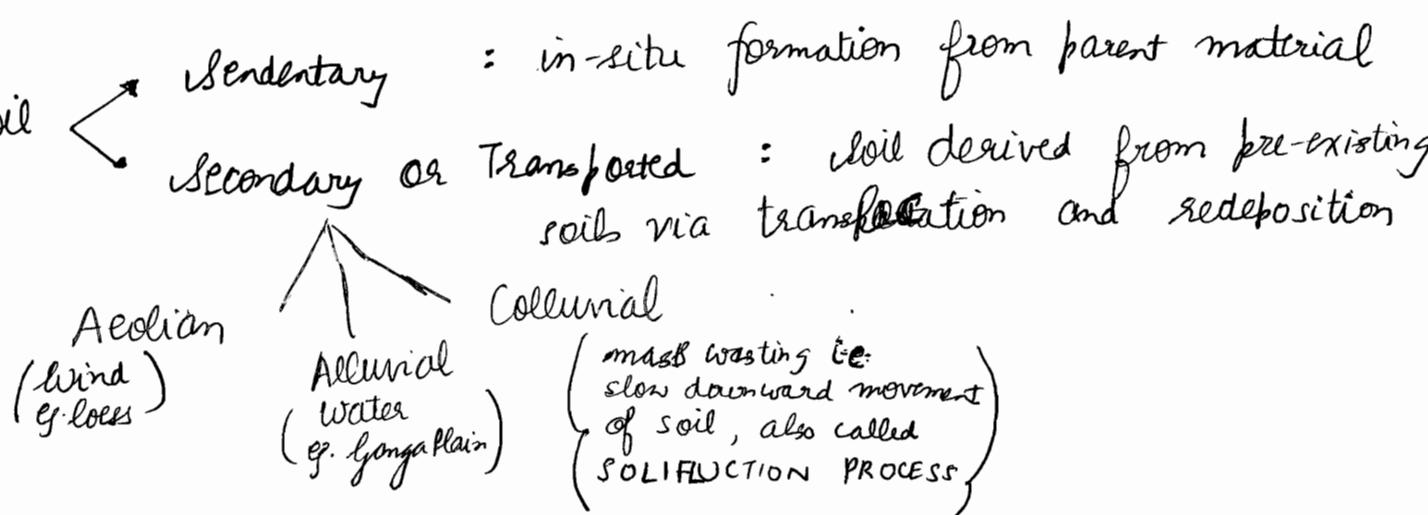
Pruning Removal of dead branches (dry pruning) or live branches (green pruning) from standing trees for the improvement of timber.

Bud Pruning Rubbing off the lateral buds to prevent the development of branches as a measure to obtain knot-free timber. It's a cheaper method.

- Rhizome → modified stem found underground (Bamboo, Ginger)
- Rhizobium → Root Nodule Bacteria involved in symbiosis
- Rhizophora → Mangrove

○ Soil ↗ Endodynamorphic - soils whose properties are influenced mainly by parent material

○ Soil ↗ Ectodynamorphic - soils whose properties are influenced mainly by factors other than parent material.



○ Soil structure is influenced by cementing material provided by colloidal matter in the form of minerals, oxides of iron & organic matter. Soil structure affects :

- |                    |                   |                              |
|--------------------|-------------------|------------------------------|
| → moisture content | → nutrient status | → activity of microorganisms |
| → air content      | → soil erosion    |                              |

### ○ Chemical Properties of Soil

#### (1) Cation Exchange Capacity

Total capacity of soil to hold cations. ( $\text{Ca}^{++}$ ,  $\text{Mg}^{++}$ ,  $\text{K}^+$ ,  $\text{Na}^+$ )

Inorganic Colloidal matter : Clay

Organic Colloidal matter : Humus

more cation exchange capacity

In soils, which have high cation exchange capacity, high amount of fertilizers can be used & the nutrients will be absorbed. In coarse textured soil (less clay), if fertilizers are used, bases will be leached out unless organic matter is also added to improve the cation exchange capacity.

## (2) pH of soil

acidic:  $H^+$  excess

alkaline:  $OH^-$  excess

Mathematically, pH value = negative logarithms of H ion concentration

Optimum range of pH is required for plants to flourish.

⑤ Humus is the dark and decomposed organic matter layer of the soil.

Factors influencing formation of humus:

- Nature & Composition of forest (Broad leaved)
- Climatic Factors (faster in hotter areas)
- Soil Organisms (bigger animals physical breaking of leaves, earthworms, bacteria)
- nature of soil (Poorly drained soil: high humus)
- Lopping (reduces)

Importance of Humus

- Improvement of physical properties like structure, water holding capacity, ...
- Improvement of chemical properties like nutrients, cation exchange capacity, reduces pH value.

⑥ Plant Succession refers to the gradual replacement of one plant community by another in the development of vegetation toward a climax

Climax is the culmination stage in plant succession for a given

- environment. Vegetation is in equilibrium with environment & stays unchanged indefinitely
- There is a stage in the process of plant succession
- Pioneer species refers to the earliest species in the process of plant succession. They usually invade a bare area such as newly exposed soil. The presence of pioneer species gradually promotes the establishment of a more exacting species.

### Examples of succession | Primary succession

**Coniferous** ④

Shrubs  
↓  
Blue Pine  
↓  
deodar  
↓  
spruce & fir

**Estuarine** ⑤

mangrove scrub  
↓  
mangrove trees  
↓  
salt water HERITIERA  
↓  
swamp forest  
↓  
Evergreen Forest

**Xerophytic** ⑥

lichen  
↓  
moes  
↓  
herbaceous weeds  
↓  
perennial grass  
↓  
shrubs (Zizyphus)  
↓  
thorny forest (Acacia nilotica)

Retrogression or Regression refers to the reversal to some earlier stage of succession as a consequence of some adverse factors.  
Retrogression is the reason for secondary succession.

### Theories of succession

#### Clements' Monoclimax Theory

- there is continuous change in vegetation due to interaction between plant community and habitat.
- succession is progressive and end product is climax.
- most dominant environment factor is climate  $\Rightarrow$  Climax is called Climatic climax

- due to different conditions of soil, biota there can be other climax like Preclimax, Postclimax, subclimax etc. But these variations ultimately progress into climatic climax. (Monoclimax)

### Poly Climax Theory

- depending on local variations, there can be more than 1 climax
- give examples
- more popular theory as it resembles the true conditions more closely.

### Aubreville's Mosaic Theory

- Forest consists of a number of irregular small-units (like a mosaic : design made by fitting together different colours) with one or few dominants which develop on predictable yet different lines. - The positions of the sub units keep on changing and the mosaic is present at all times.
- Pattern of mosaic keeps on changing continually
- He criticized concept of a static & stable climax. According to him, there is dynamic equilibrium  
eg. Tropical Forests.

### Theory of Vegetational gradient of WHITAKER

- NO absolute climatic climax for any area
- Climax = f (Climate, soil, biotic factors) since these factors keep on changing Climax keeps on changing
- Climax is, therefore, a partially stabilized state.
- Climax can be viewed as an average or the most probable population

- o Types of Forests from Guide : P- 20, 21, 22, 23

① **Seedling Establishment** refers to the development of a new crop to a stage where the young generation is considered safe from adverse influences like frost, drought or weeds & no longer needs special protection or tending operations other than cleaning, thinning & pruning.

② **Advance growth** refers to seedlings, saplings & poles of species of the overwood that have become estd. naturally in a forest before regeneration felling are started.

③ **Seedling Felling** : Opening the canopy of a mature stand to provide conditions for securing regeneration from the seeds of the trees retained for the purpose.

**Final Felling** : Removal of the last shelter trees after regeneration has been accomplished under a shelterwood system.

**Secondary Felling** Regeneration felling carried out between the seedling felling & final felling under a shelterwood system in order to admit more light to the regenerated crop

**Selection Felling** refers to annual or periodic removal of exploitable trees, individually or in small groups, in an uneven age forest in order to realize the yield & establish a new crop irregular in its constitution. Primarily consideration is improvement of forest.

**Selective Felling** refers to removal of certain species of high value <sup>whose trees are</sup> above a certain size, without full regard to silvicultural requirement.

- **Regeneration Survey** (P-221) refers to the survey for the assessment of established & unestablished regeneration generally by sampling enumeration.
- It is done at the time of revision of working plan.
- The main objectives of ~~regeneration~~ survey are :
  - (1) To compare natural regeneration in any area at end of working plan with that in the beginning.
  - (2) To evaluate the effects of operations carried out during the working plan period.
  - (3) To prepare stock map of any area proposed to be regenerated & prescribe correct silvicultural treatment for various parts on basis of current status of regeneration.
- < give funds of sampling plots & intensity >
- Colour Coding used in presentation of survey on basis of states of regeneration
 

<u>Green</u>	: Excellent
<u>Yellow</u>	: Moderate
<u>Red</u>	: Poor

- Besides symbols are used to classify areas
 

$\gamma$	$\circ$	$w$
↓	↓	↓
Refruit or current year's seedling	blank area	woody shoots

**Improvement Felling** refers to removal or destruction of less valuable trees in a crop in the interest of better growth of the more valuable individuals. It is usually applied to a mixed uneven-aged forest.

**Girdling** refers to cutting through bark & outer living layer of wood in a continuous incision all around the base of a tree.

## Subsidiary Felling

Operation done in a coupe following

the main felling. It includes:

- removal, girdling of marked trees left unfeasted
- cutting malformed & ill-developed advance growth
- remove stems damaged during main felling.

Q Where does the growth occur?

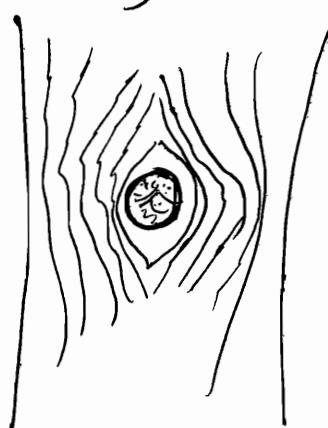
A Trees increase in diameter by the formation of new woody layer between the existing wood and the inner bark. The new woody layer, so formed, envelops the entire stem.



Remember that dark pith & heartwood layers are dead.

Q What are these ring type structures on outer bark?

Vd



Knots: broken off branch portion.

○ NFTs: Nitrogen Fixating Trees eg. leguminous Trees.

○ FYM; farmyard manure

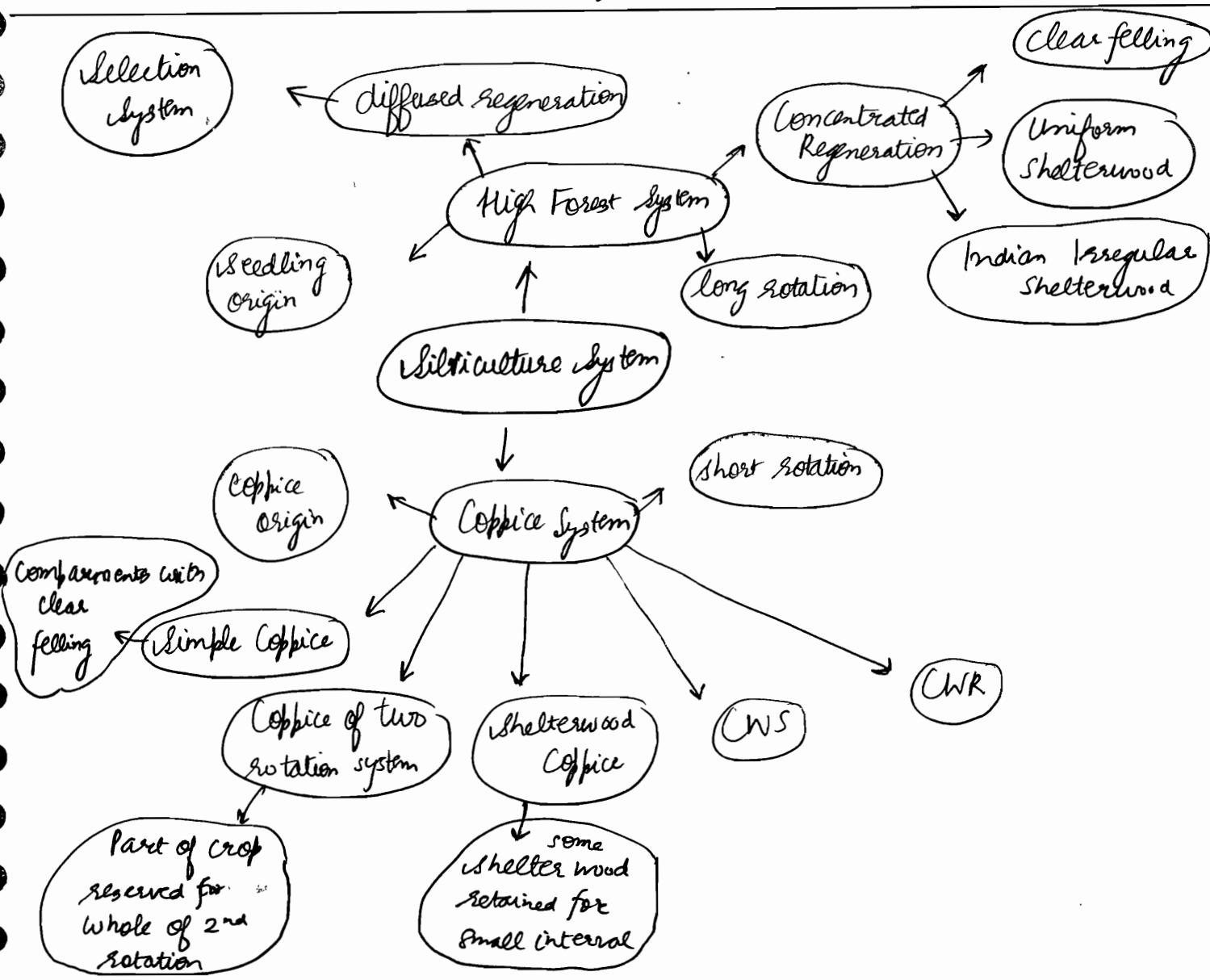
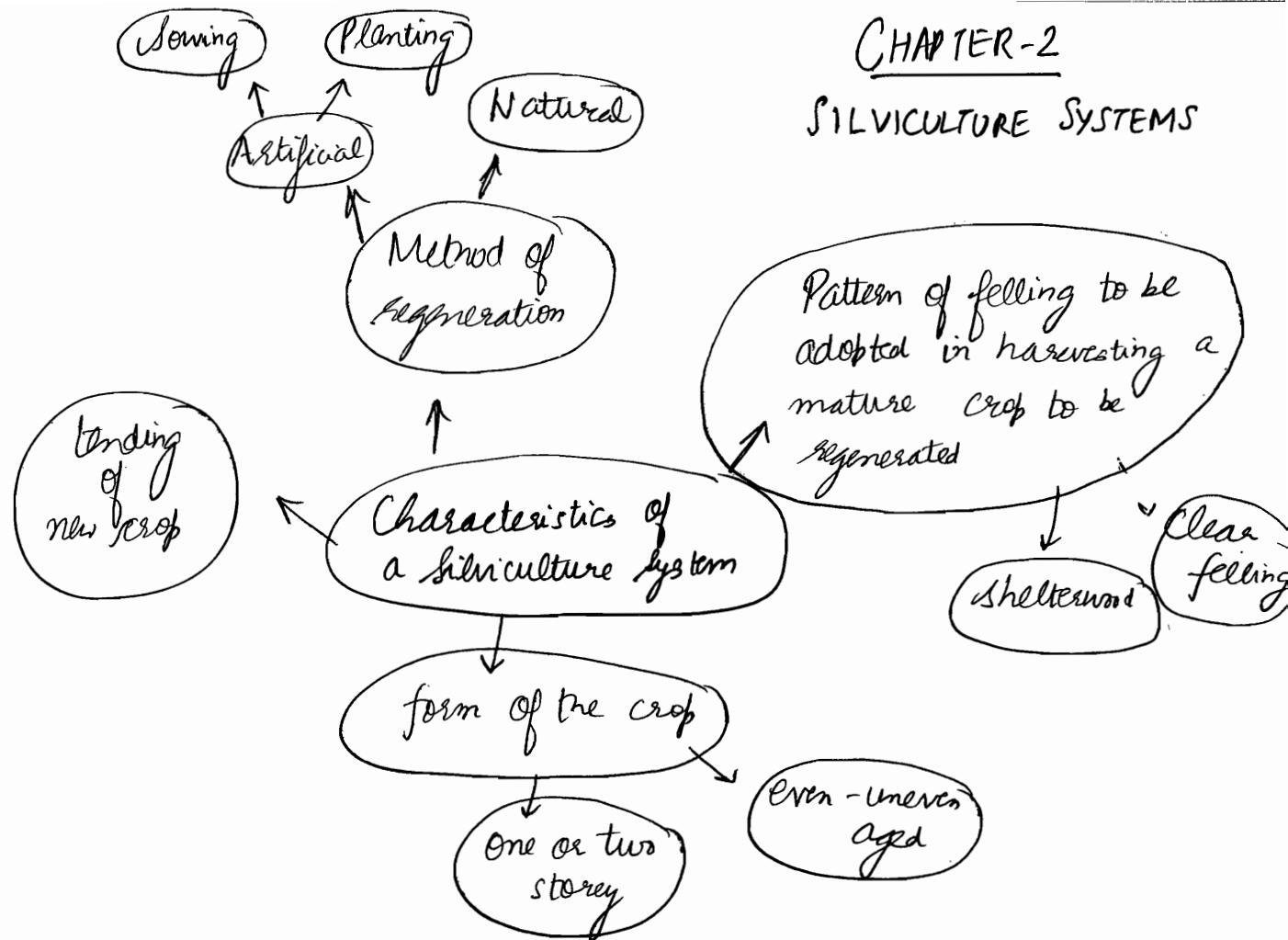
Permaculture self maintained agricultural system modelled from natural ecosystems. It includes taking care of the earth and return of surplus back to the system in the form of manure.

Polyculture growing multiple crops in the same space, in imitation of the diversity of natural ecosystems, and avoiding monoculture.

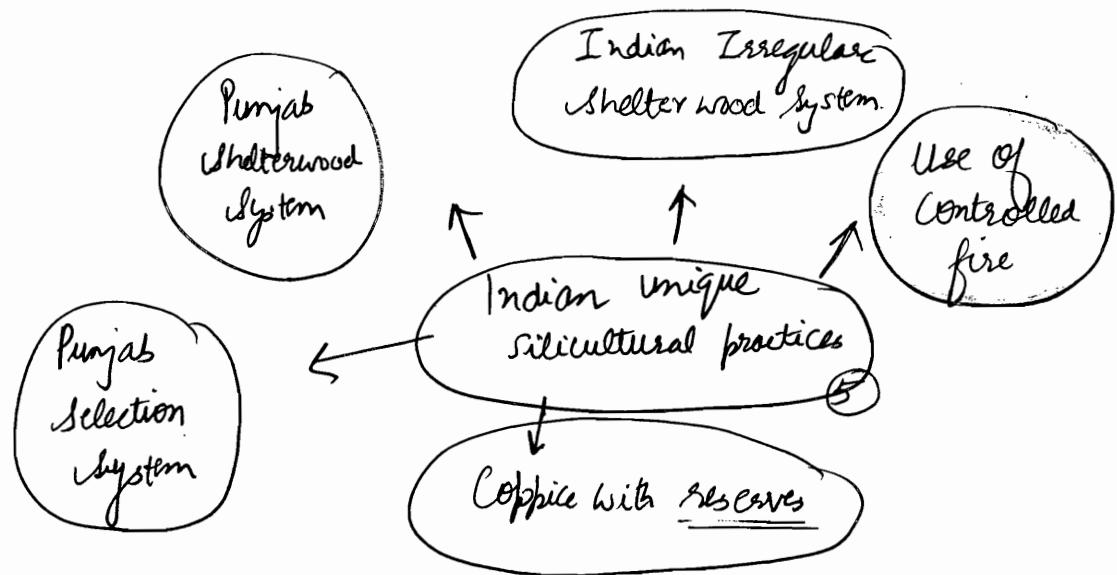
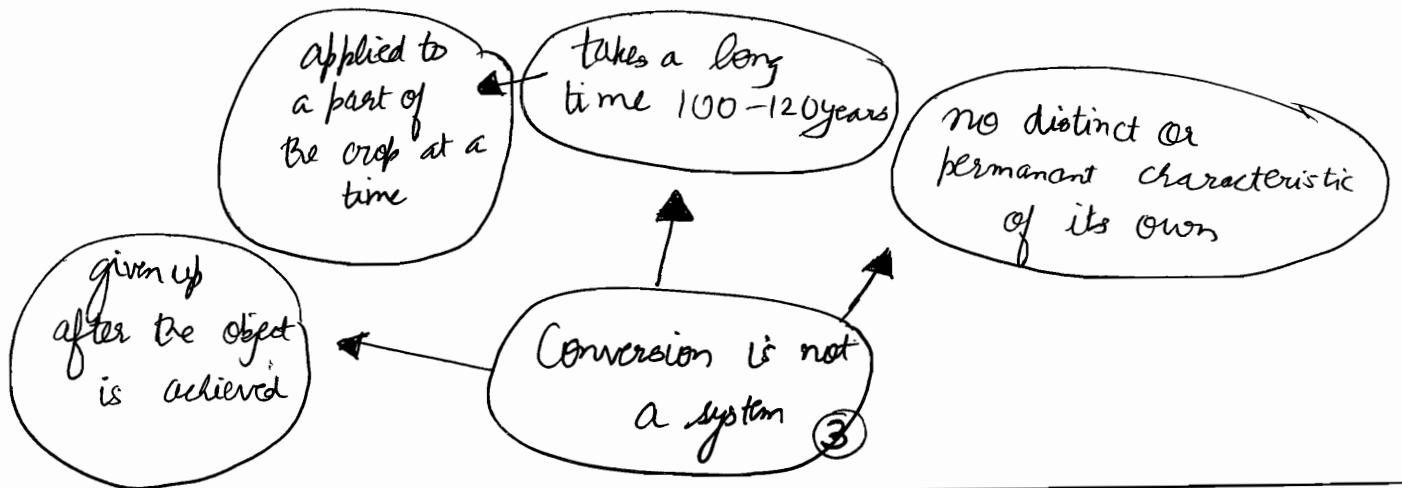
Carbohydrate Farming done in Brazil; farming of plants rich in sugar & starch in large quantities & from which ethyl alcohol is produced as a source of energy.  
eg. Sugarcane, Jatropha

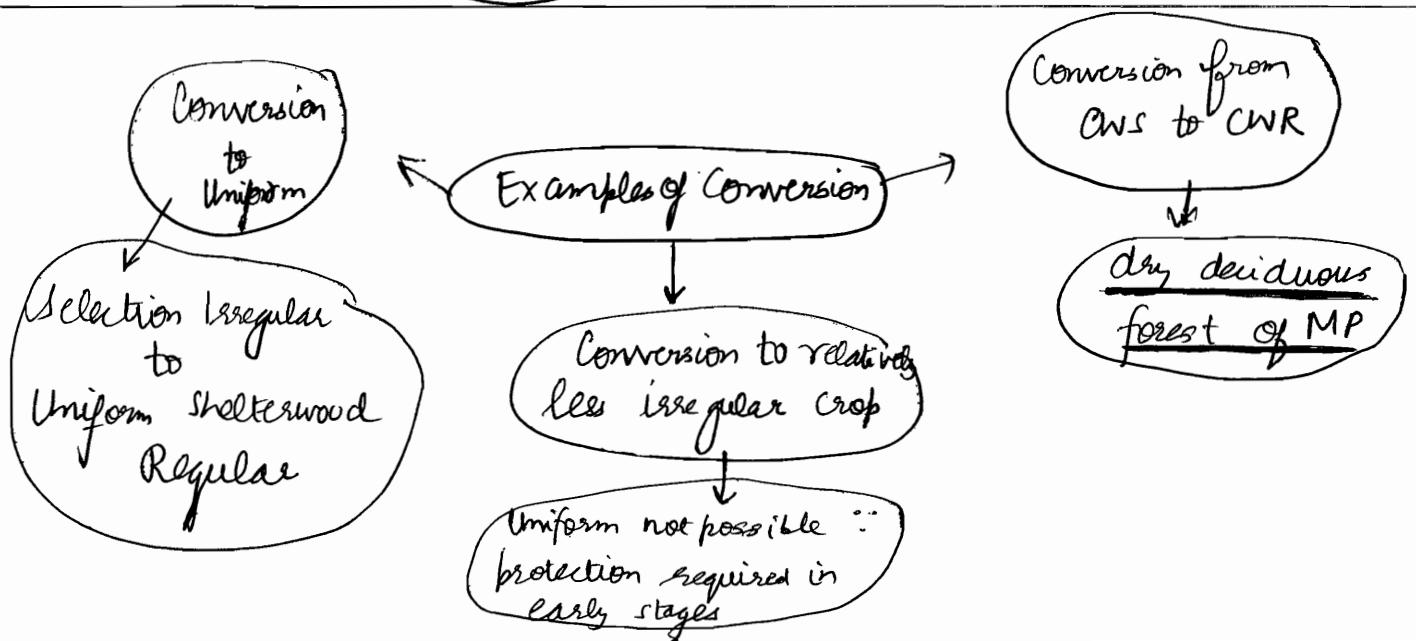
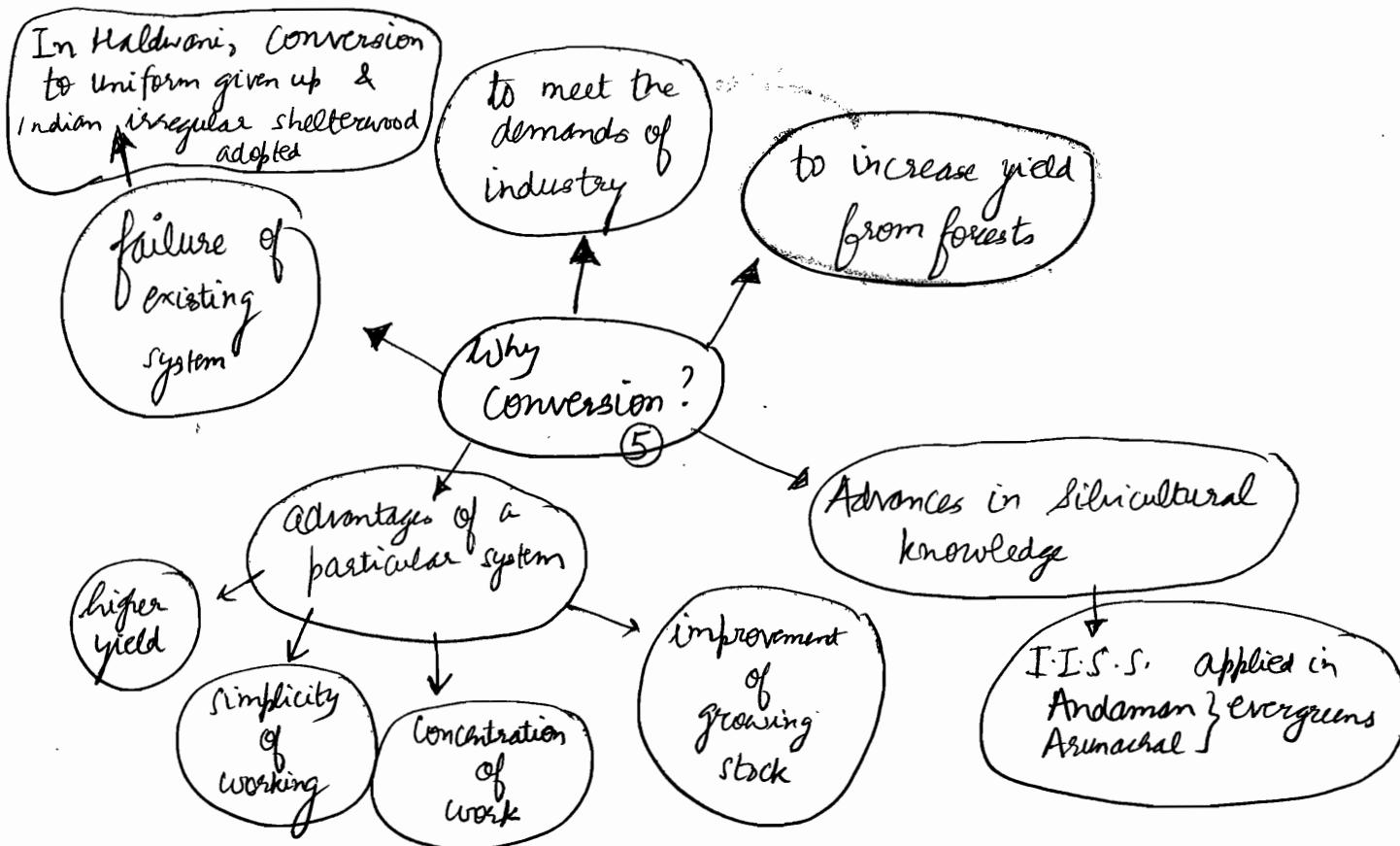
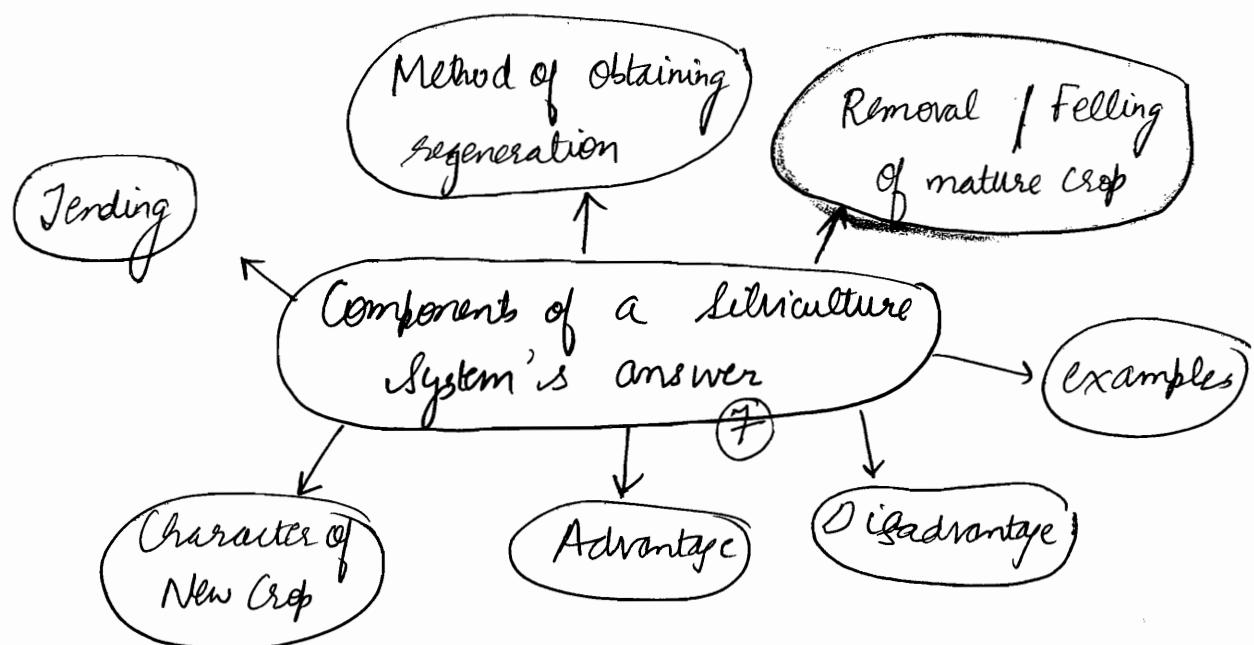
## CHAPTER-2

### SILVICULTURE SYSTEMS



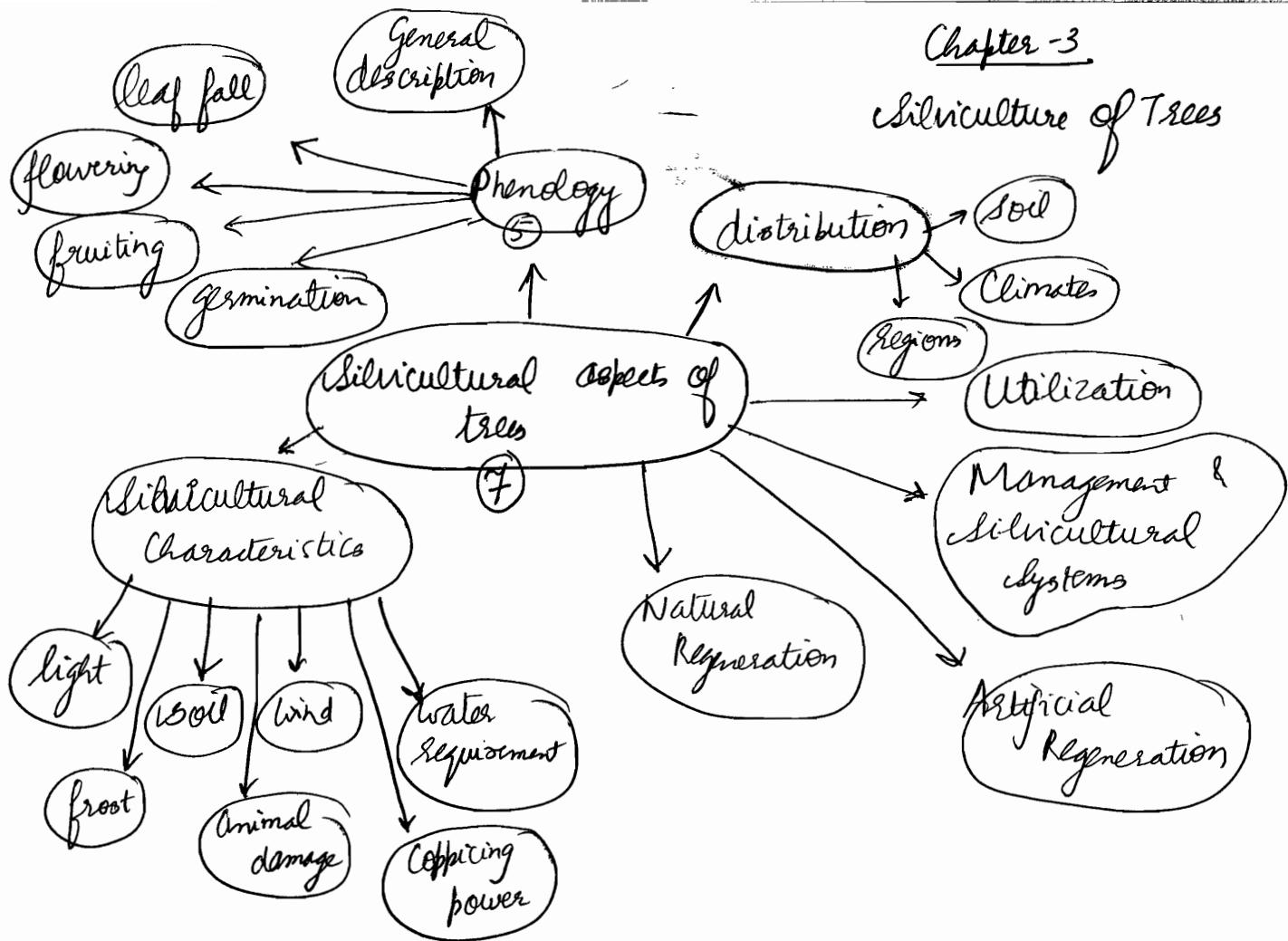
- ② Silviculture system may be defined as a ~~silviculture~~ silviculture procedure worked out in accordance with accepted sets of silvicultural principles, by which crops are regenerated, tended & harvested.
- ③ felled,
- ④ Conversion is a silviculture procedure designed to change the forest crops from one silviculture system to another. Changes can be in the mode of regeneration (Coppice  $\rightleftharpoons$  high forest) or change in character of crop ( $\rightleftharpoons$  irregular)

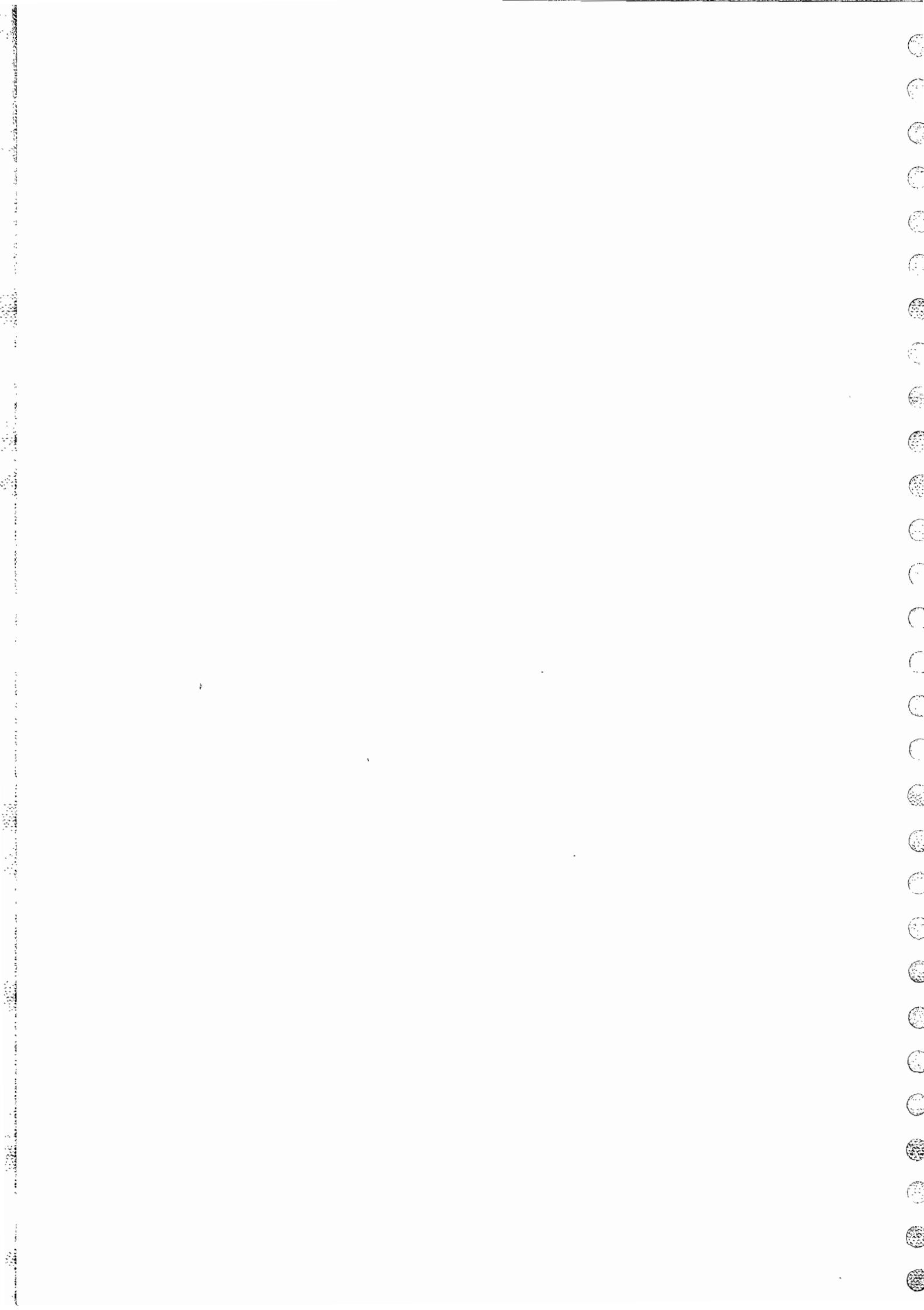






## Silviculture of Trees





## Chapter 4

### Agroforestry

→ Also include points from opposition by farmers.

↳ shade tree, most useful

low crown : bole diameter ratio

light branching

Suitability of trees for Agroforestry

Tolerance to side-shading

East-West Orientation

Crops to shade at 45°

self pruning property or capacity to withstand heavy artificial pruning

sufficient nutrient pumping

Absence of competition at root-zone level

miscellaneous benefits

dichotomy between agriculture & forestry

Education @ both technical + professional level takes place along traditional disciplines like forestry, agriculture

Objection by farmers

<already covered>

Lack of institutional financing & crop insurance

Constraints in Farm Forestry

Need to educate & motivate the farmers

No good provisions of technology transfer of extension services

Promising MPT (Multi-purpose Trees)

Capital

- *Azadirachta Indica*
- *Acacia Nilotica* (small)
- *Prosopis juliflora*
- *Populus* (Poplar)
- *Eucalyptus spp*

- *Emblica officinalis*
- *Dalbergia sissoo*
- *Casuarina equisetifolia*
- *Mangifera indica*
- *Ziziphus Mauritiana*
- Bamboo spp.

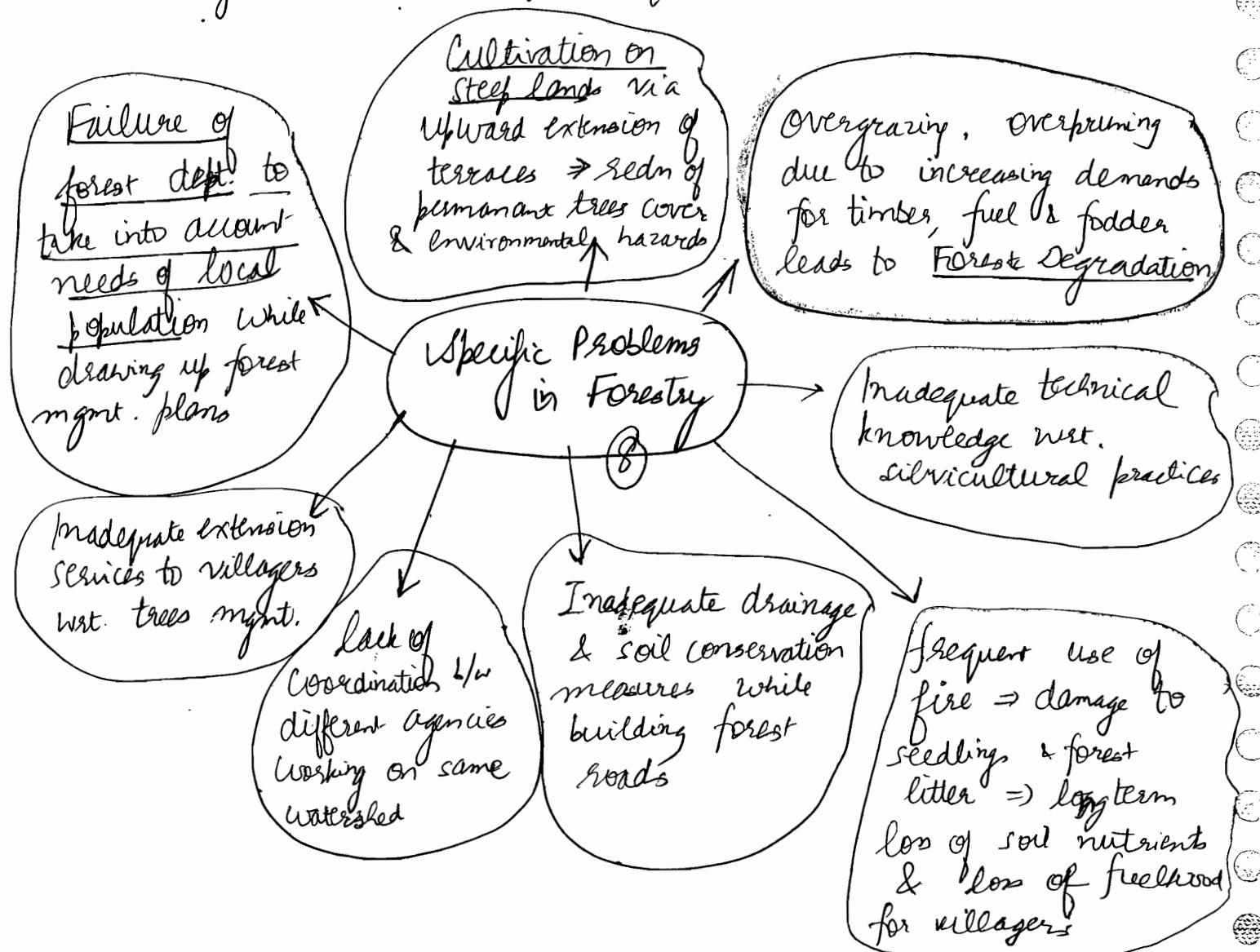
① 3 problems of Thrum land : ① Soil Erosion

② Increased Run-off

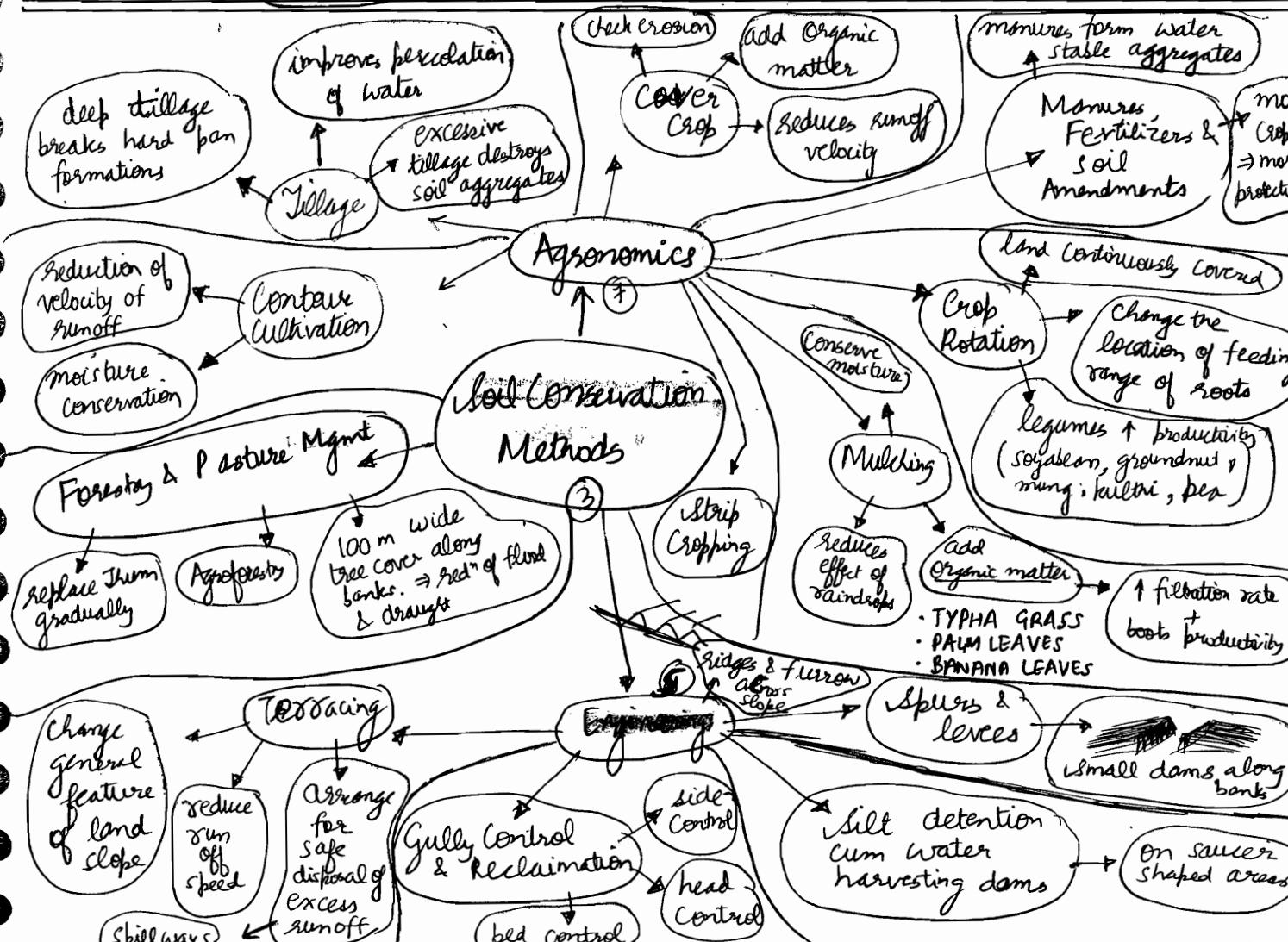
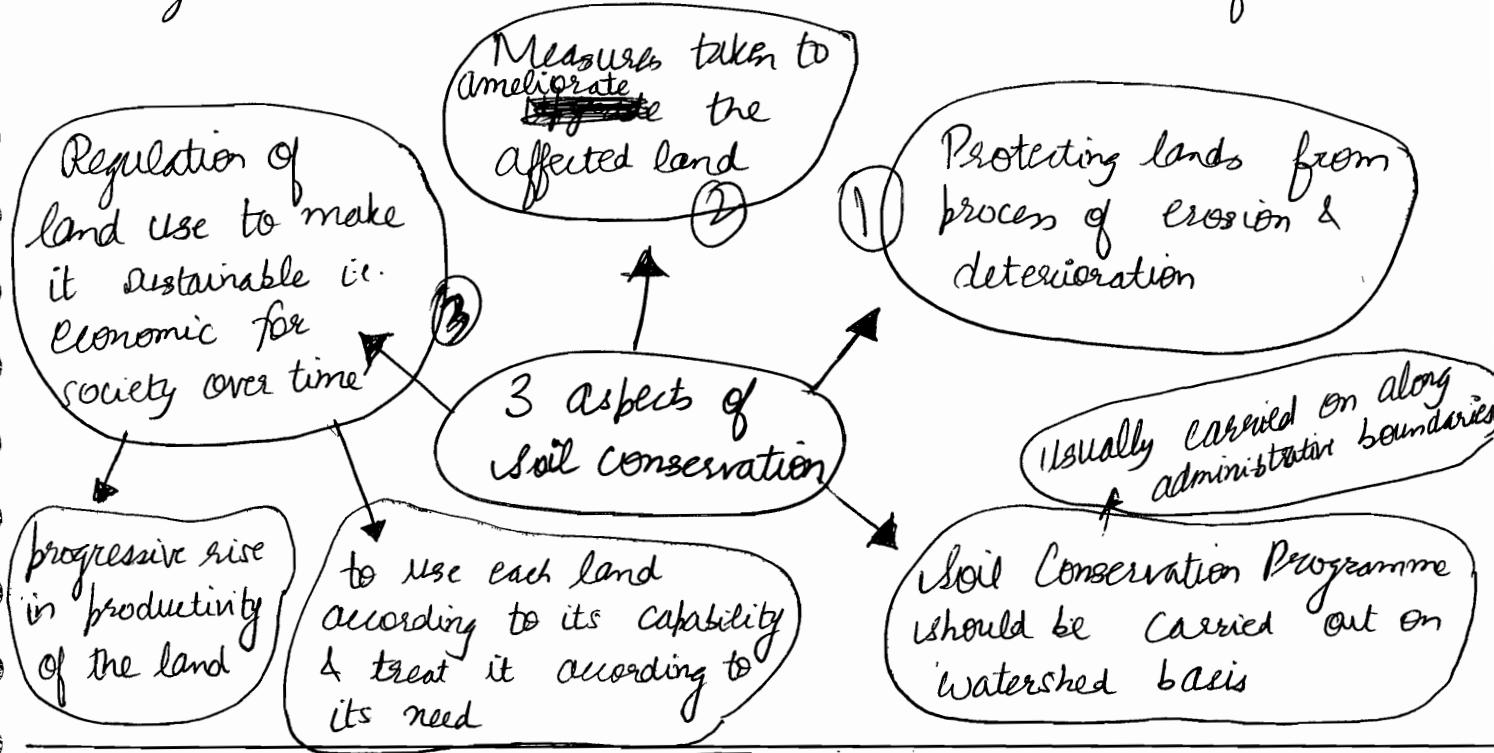
③ Loss in Nutrient Status

⑥ Stabilization of watersheds is recommended to be achieved through massive afforestation programmes. Agroforestry systems mimic the major functions of forestry wst. watershed afforestation. Thus, adoption of agroforestry practices is expected to provide the same benefits that are achieved through afforestation.

Aim of agroforestry is to optimise positive interactions between various biological components like trees, shrubs, crops & animals, and between these components & the physical environment so as to obtain a more sustainable & diversified production system from the land.

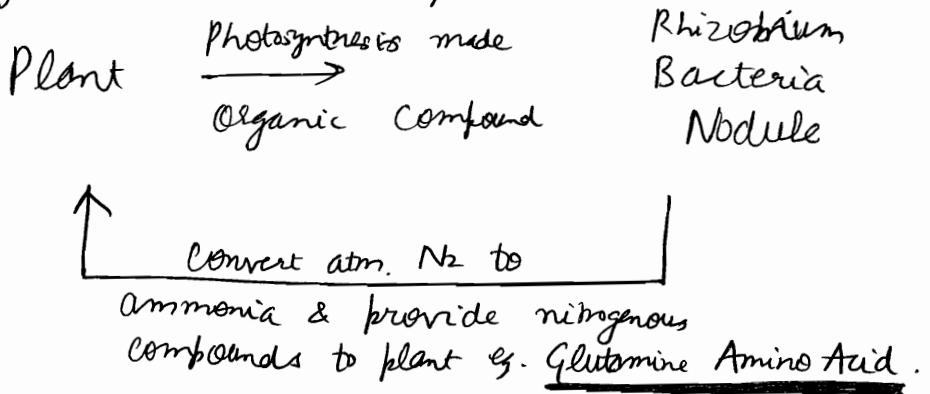


Soil is the top most<sup>1</sup> layer of the Earth's surface which is composed of minerals and organic matter and is capable of sustaining<sup>3</sup> plant life. Quantity, quality and frequency of economic output from any piece of land is dependent to a large extent on the nature & characteristics of the soil.



⑤ Rhizome: modified stem of a plant found underground, often sending out roots & shoots from its nodes. Ability to grow new shoots upwards. e.g. BAMBOO

Rhizobium : Soil Bacteria that fixes nitrogen by forming symbiotic nodule formations.



### Rhizobium

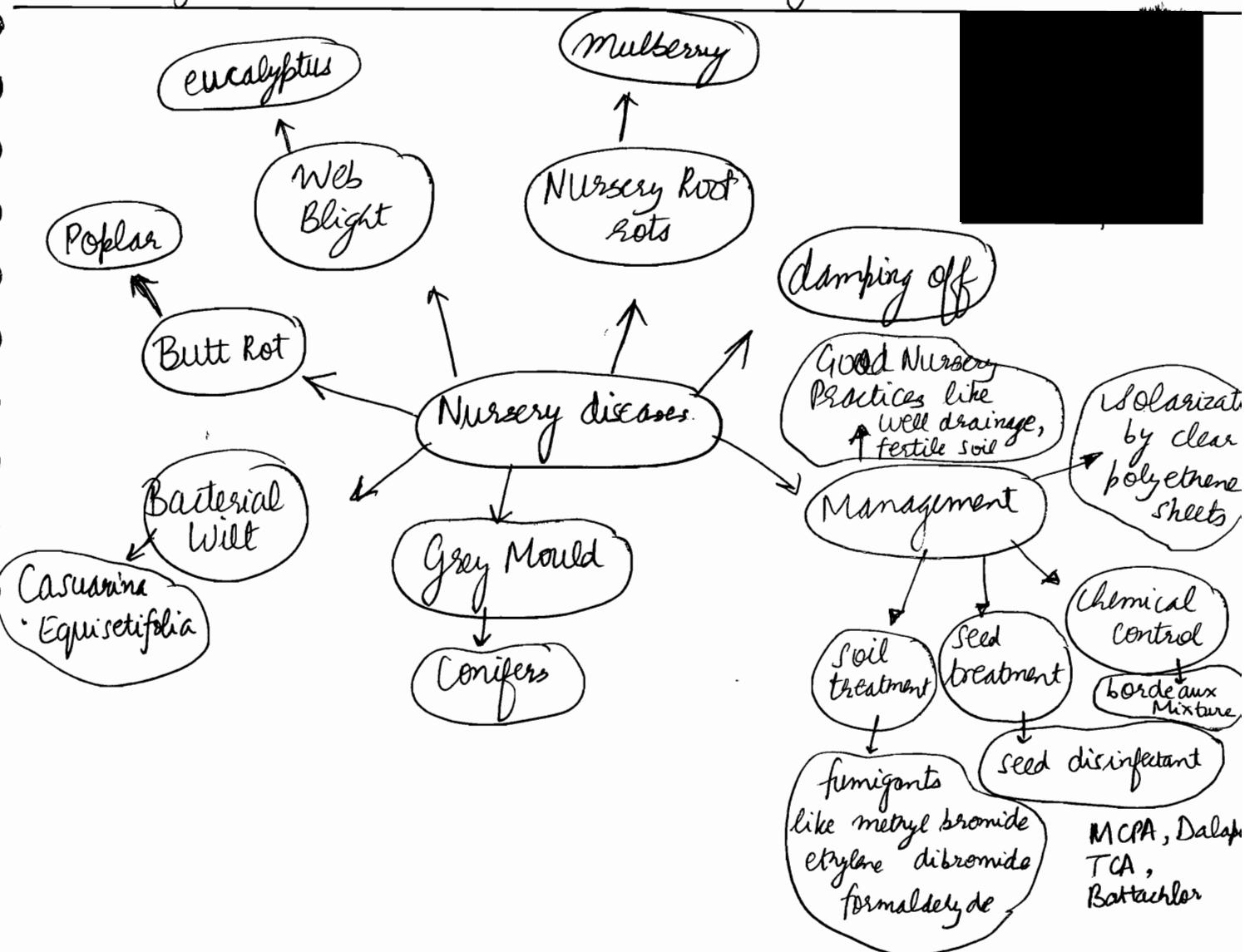
- ① Restricted to legumes & a few others
  - Soybean → mung
  - pea → kuhir
  - groundnut
- ② Main nutrient is N
- ③ Increase the exchange reservoir by conversion of atm. unusable N to usable ammonia
- ④ —

### Mycorrhiza

- ① Mycorrhizal Association of one type or other are universal in the roots of natural vegetation & most agricultural crops.
- ② Main nutrient is P
- ③ Does not provide access to previously unavailable reserves. Absorption is increased.
- P fertilizer expensive in tropics & tropical soil deficient in P
  - slight increase in mycorrhizal efficiency is of great practical importance

① Apart from conserving soil & moisture, contour plantation

- increases soil depth
- plant root system develops better as roots can penetrate softened bedrock (due to moisture)
- worked contour serve as site for downhill rolling seeds to settle  $\Rightarrow$  this facilitates natural regeneration.
- economic cost of investment is remunerated by greater plant survival, increased yield & shortened rotation.

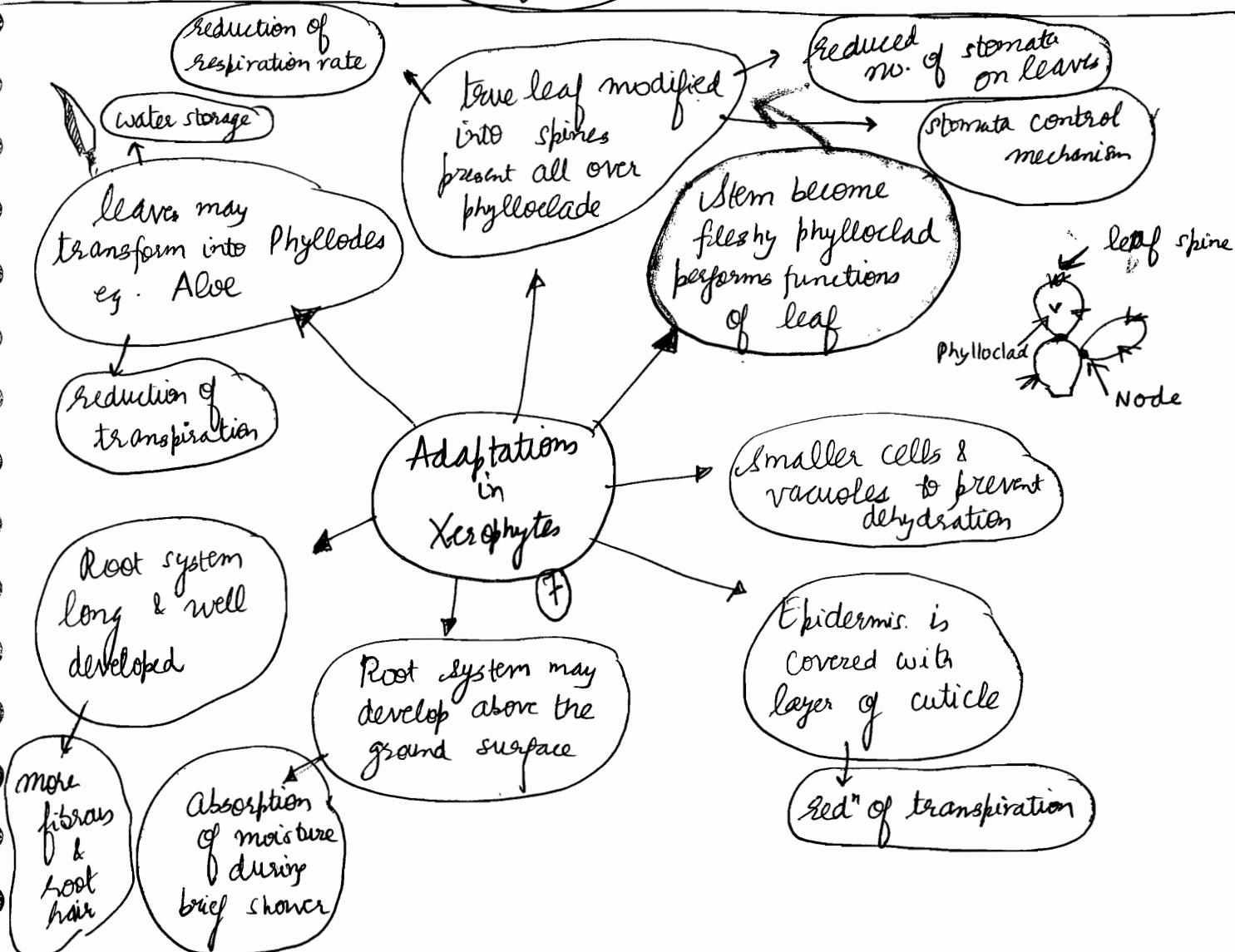
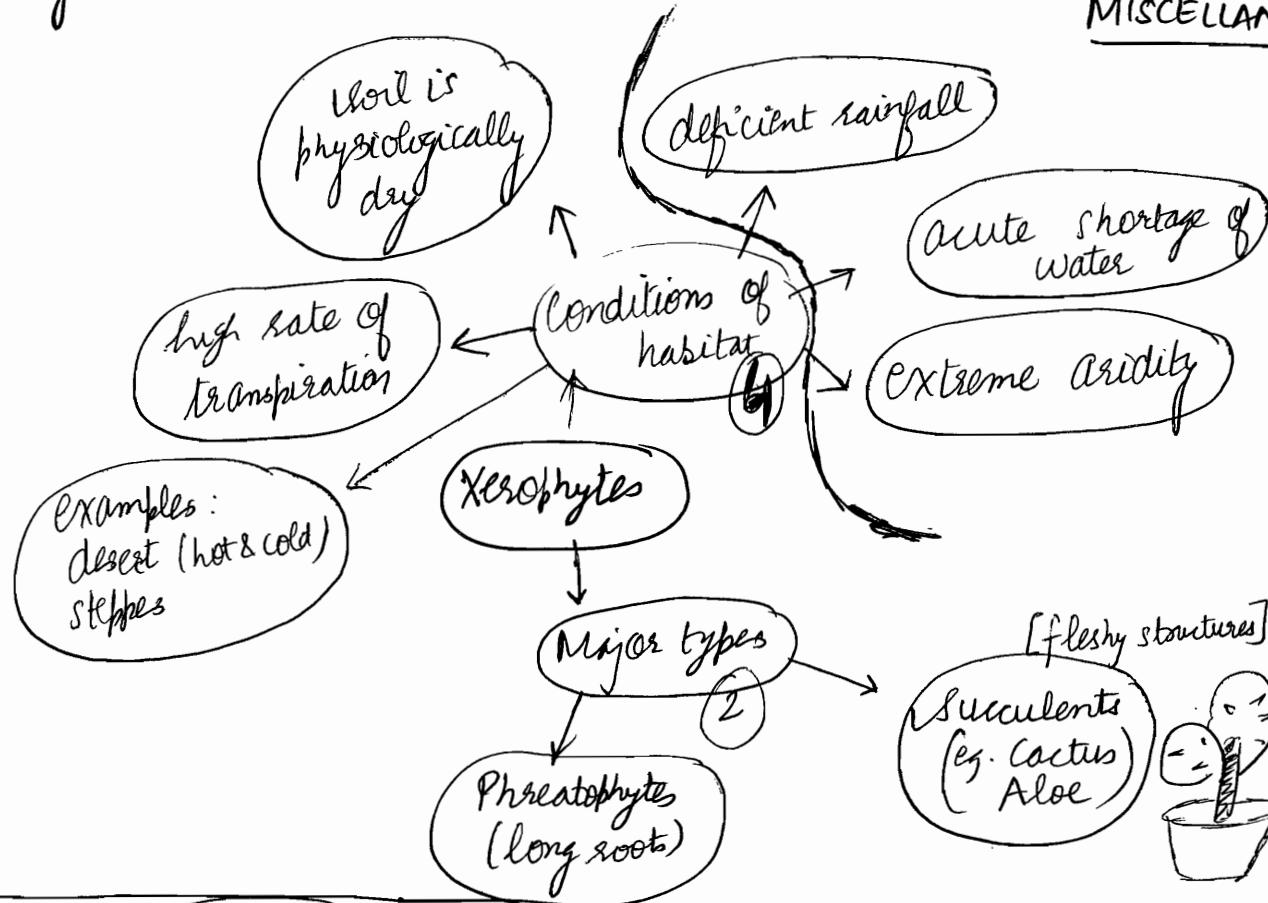


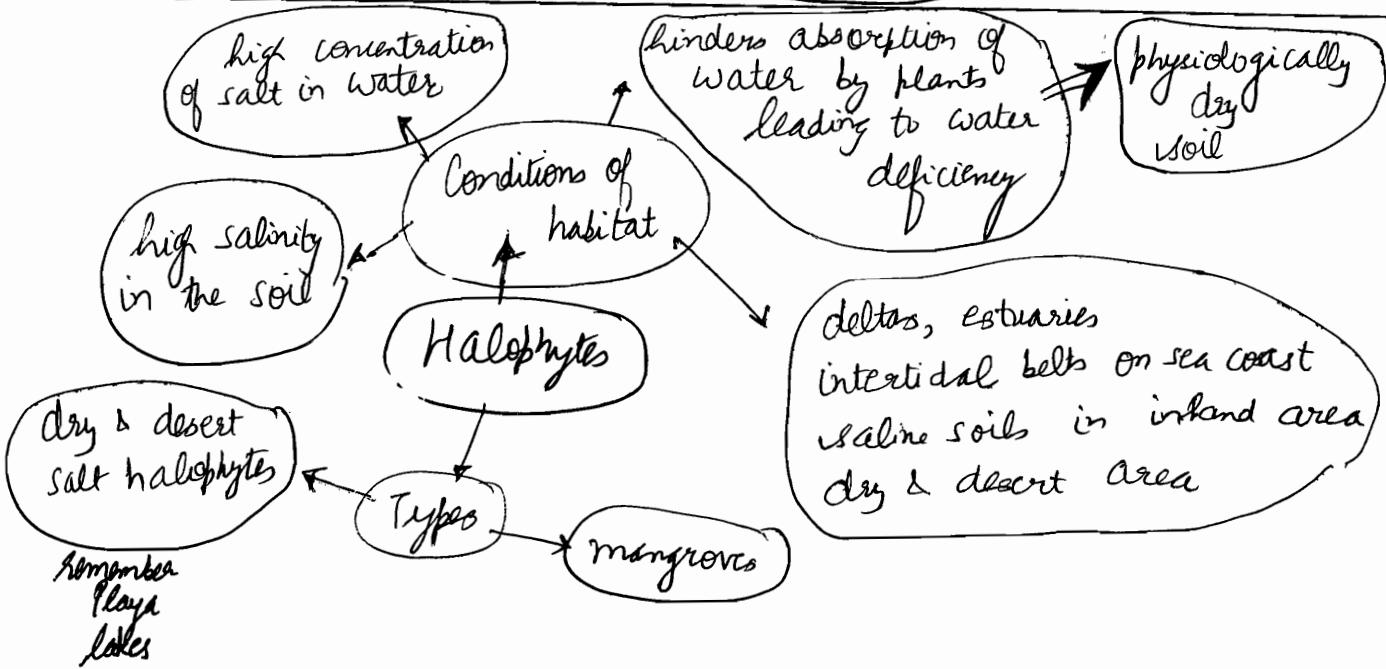
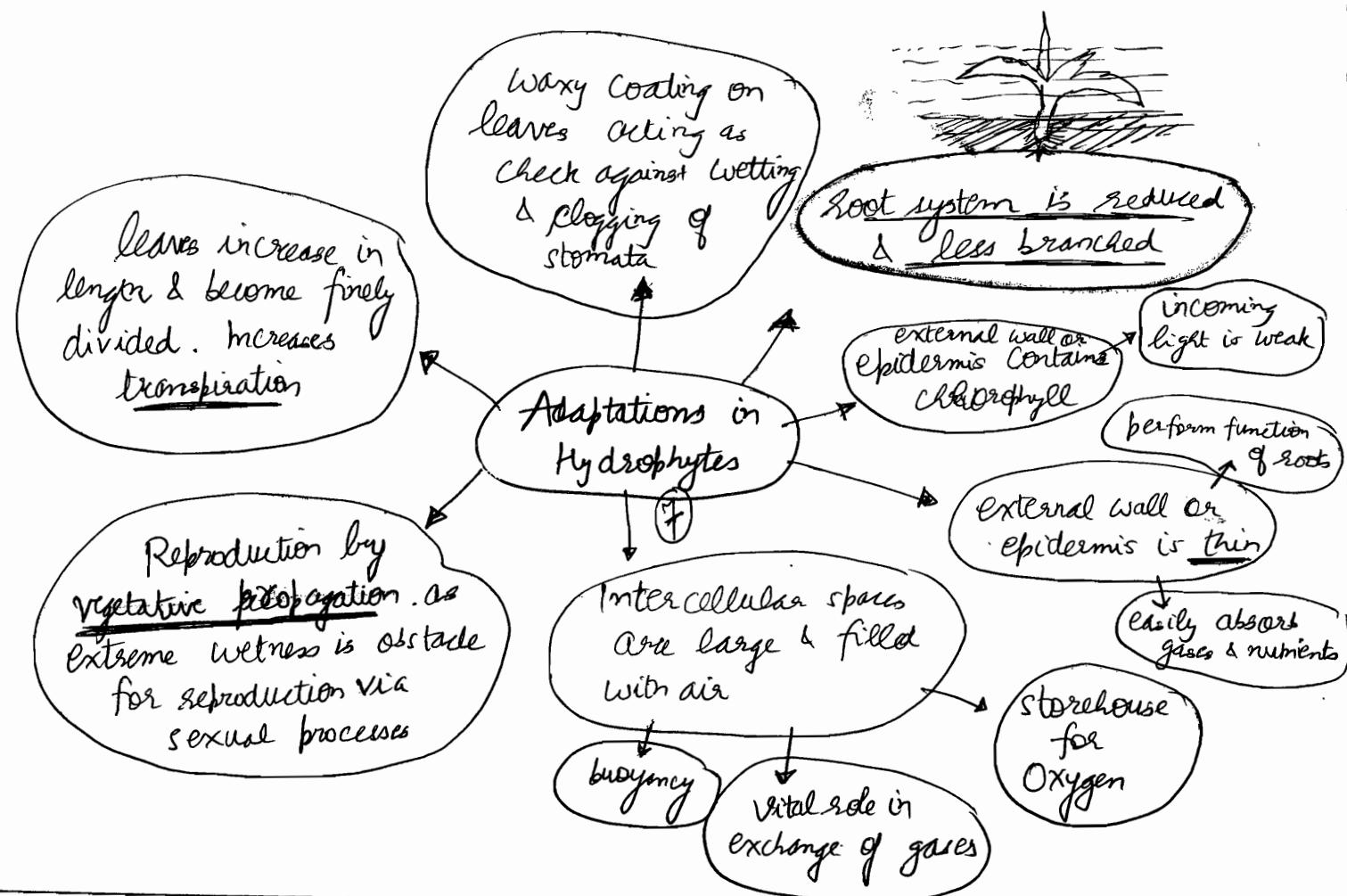
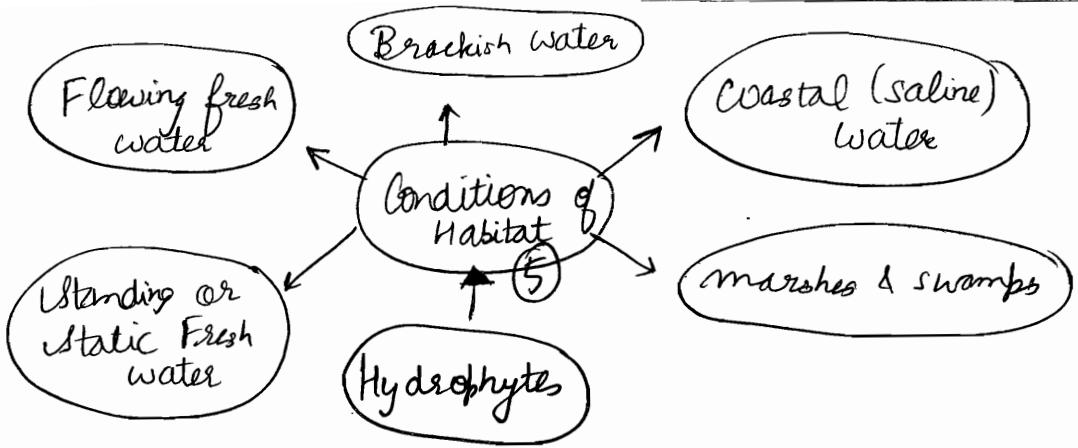
★ Alley Cropping or Hedgerow intercropping is a good alternative to jhum cultivation. (Jhumia are people who practice jhum cultivation)

## Ecological Adaptation

CHAPTER - 5

MISCELLANEOUS - 1





dearth of O<sub>2</sub> in mud layers



pneumatophores

aerial respiratory roots

high osmotic concentration of cell sap to allow water absorption

solute concentration

high osmotic pressure

succulents

### Adaptation in Halophytes

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Accumulation of high amounts of salt in lower stem & roots

& fall down  
get immediately fixed in mud

Reduced rate of translocation of ions from root to shoot

Blocking Na<sup>+</sup> entry into cells

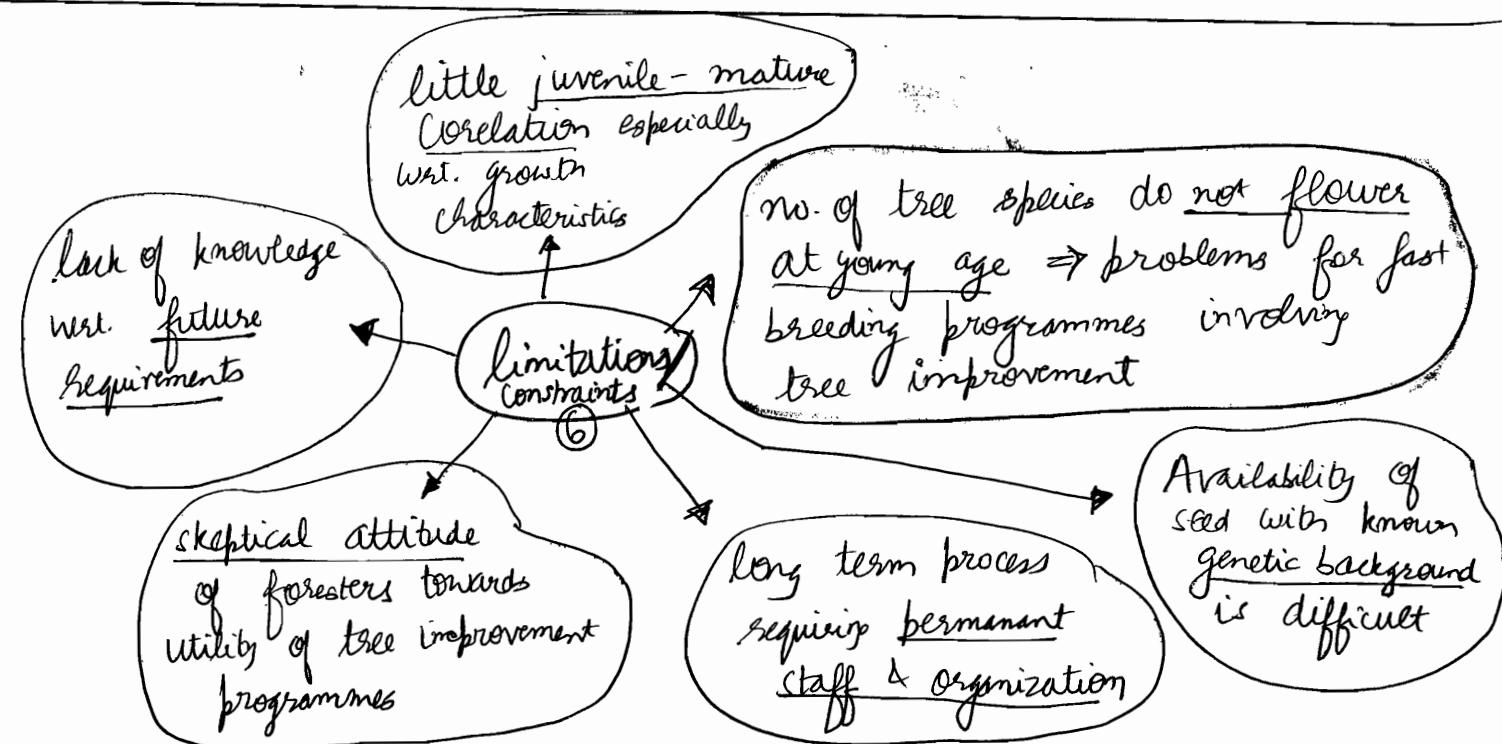
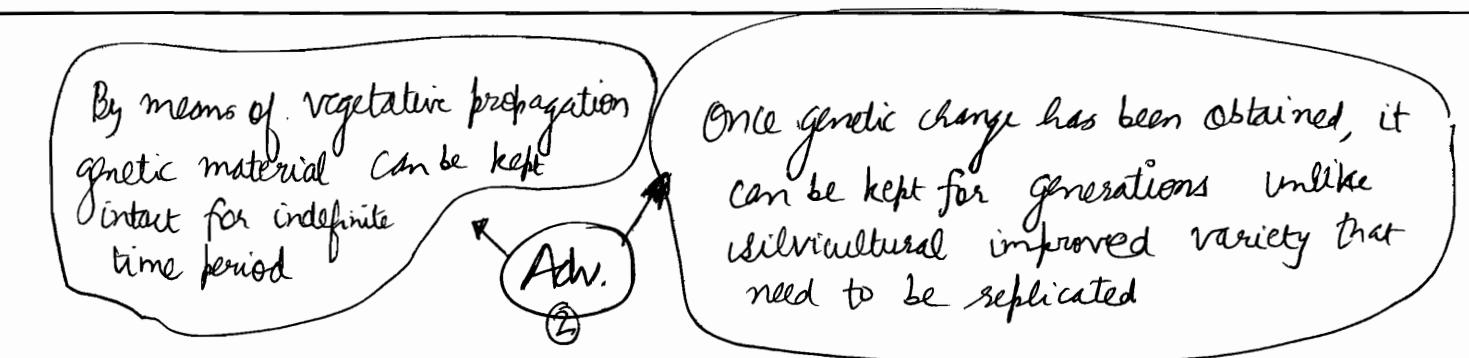
Germination while still attached to the mother plant

seed germination & young seedlings adversely affected by high salt content

Osmosis is movement of solvent from region of high solvent concentration to low solvent concentration.

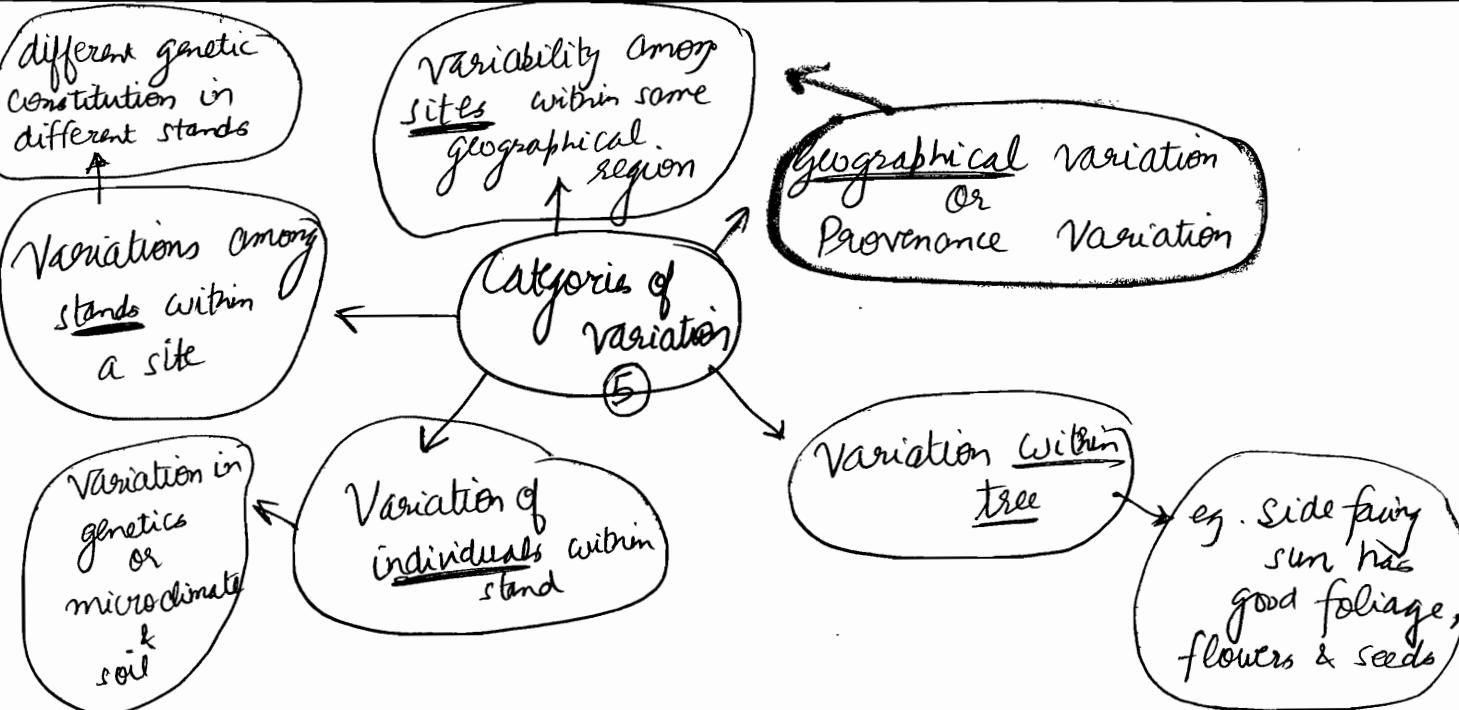
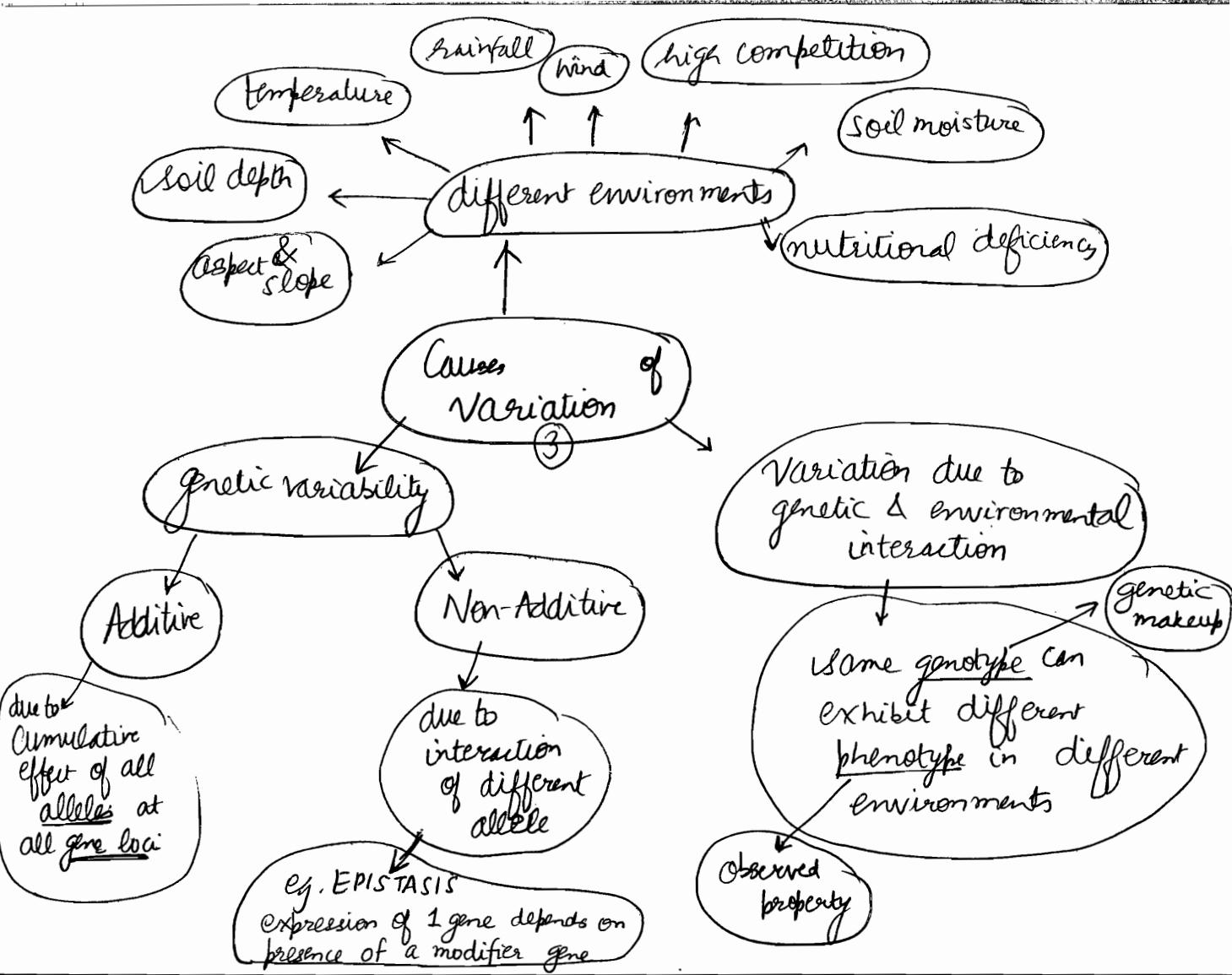
low osmotic concentration  $\Rightarrow$  low solute conc.  $\Rightarrow$  low osmotic pressure

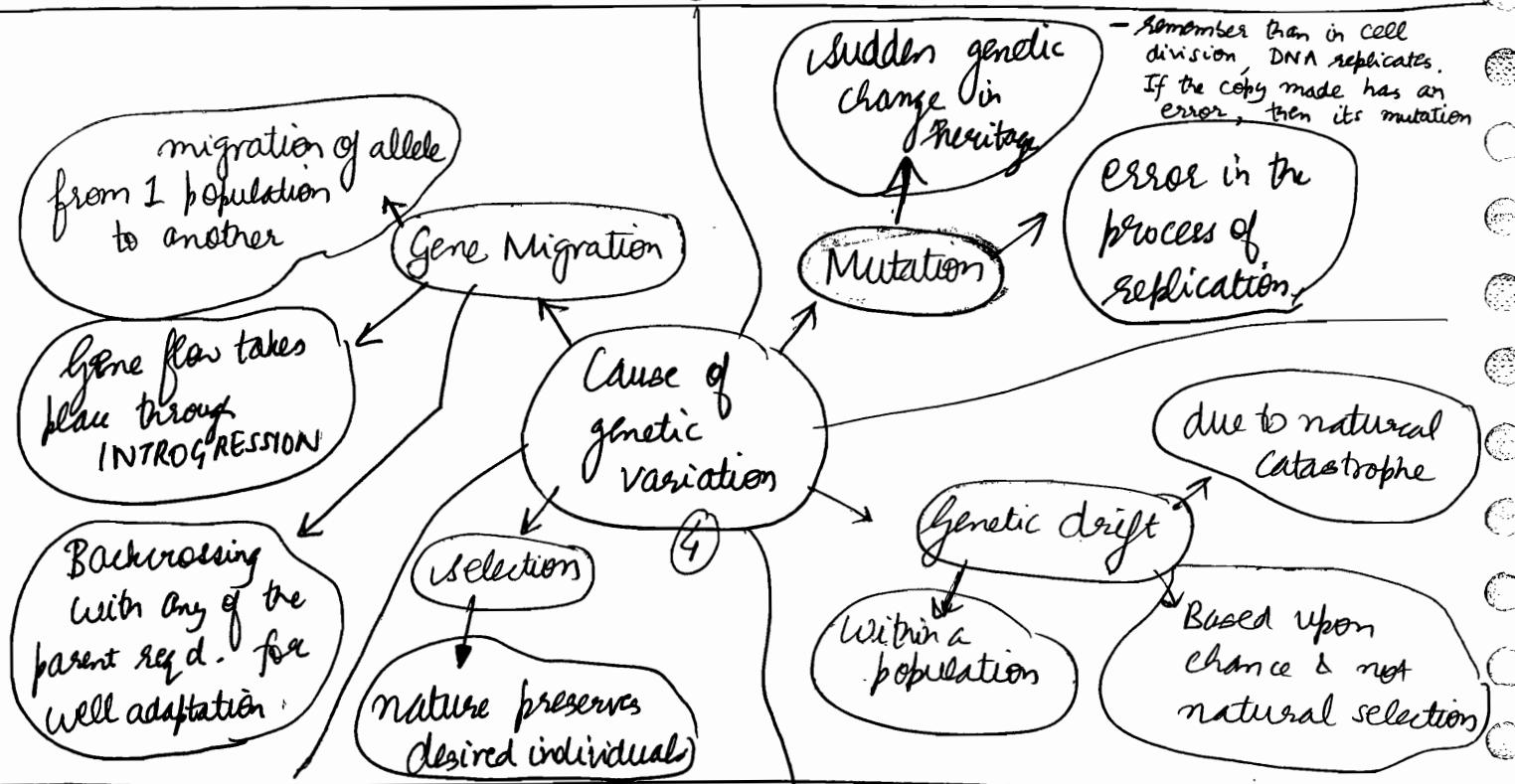
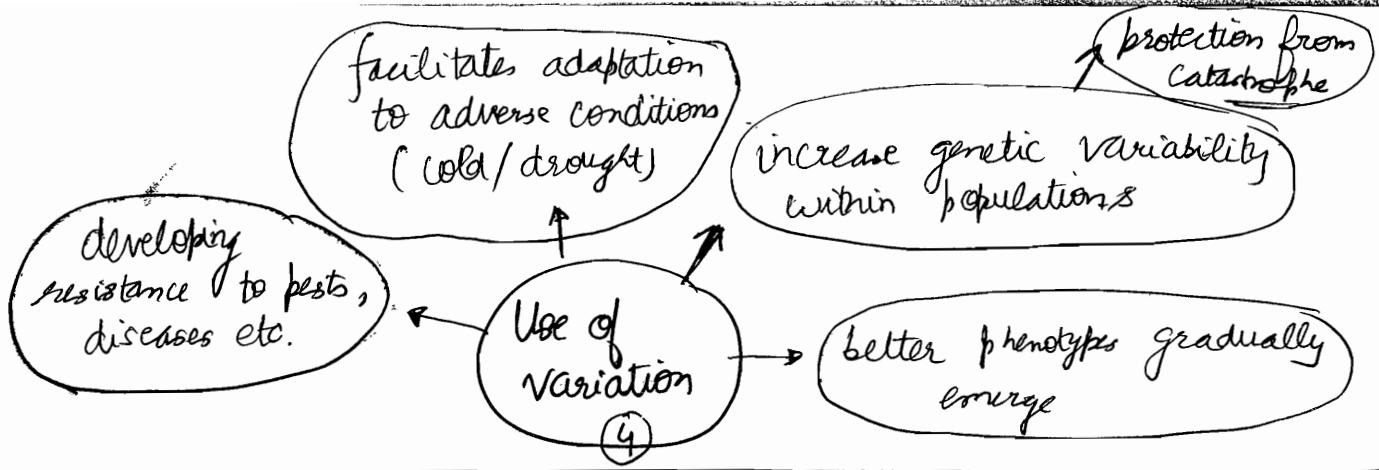
## Tree Improvement



and within

Variation refers to differences in the species in terms of both genetic & morphological aspects. Variance is the basic parameter upon which tree improvement stands.







### Tandem Selection



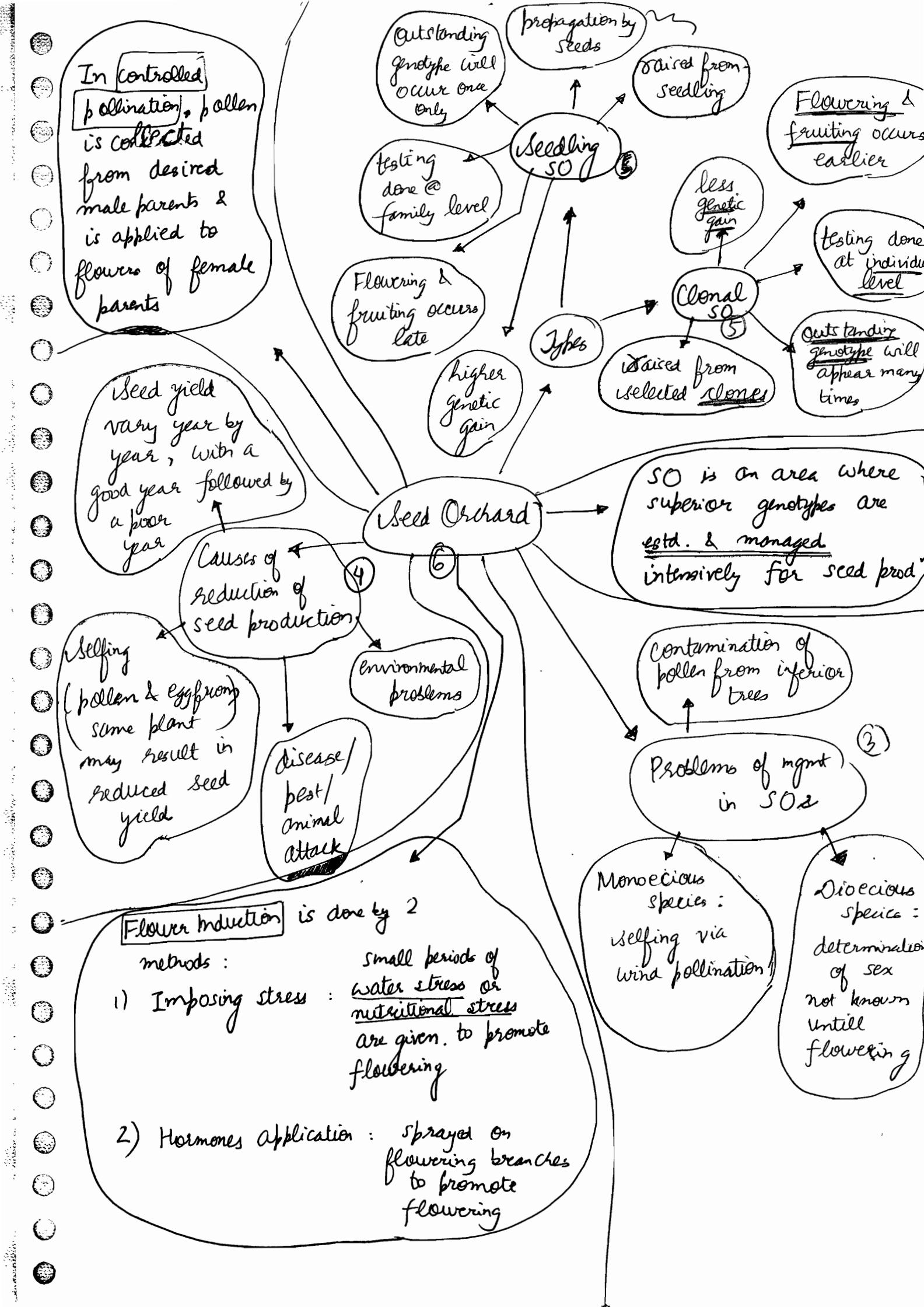
trees with black leaves but may become less tall







★ Inbreeding: reproduction from mating of parents who are closely related genetically. It increases chances of offspring with recessive traits.





## Provenance trials

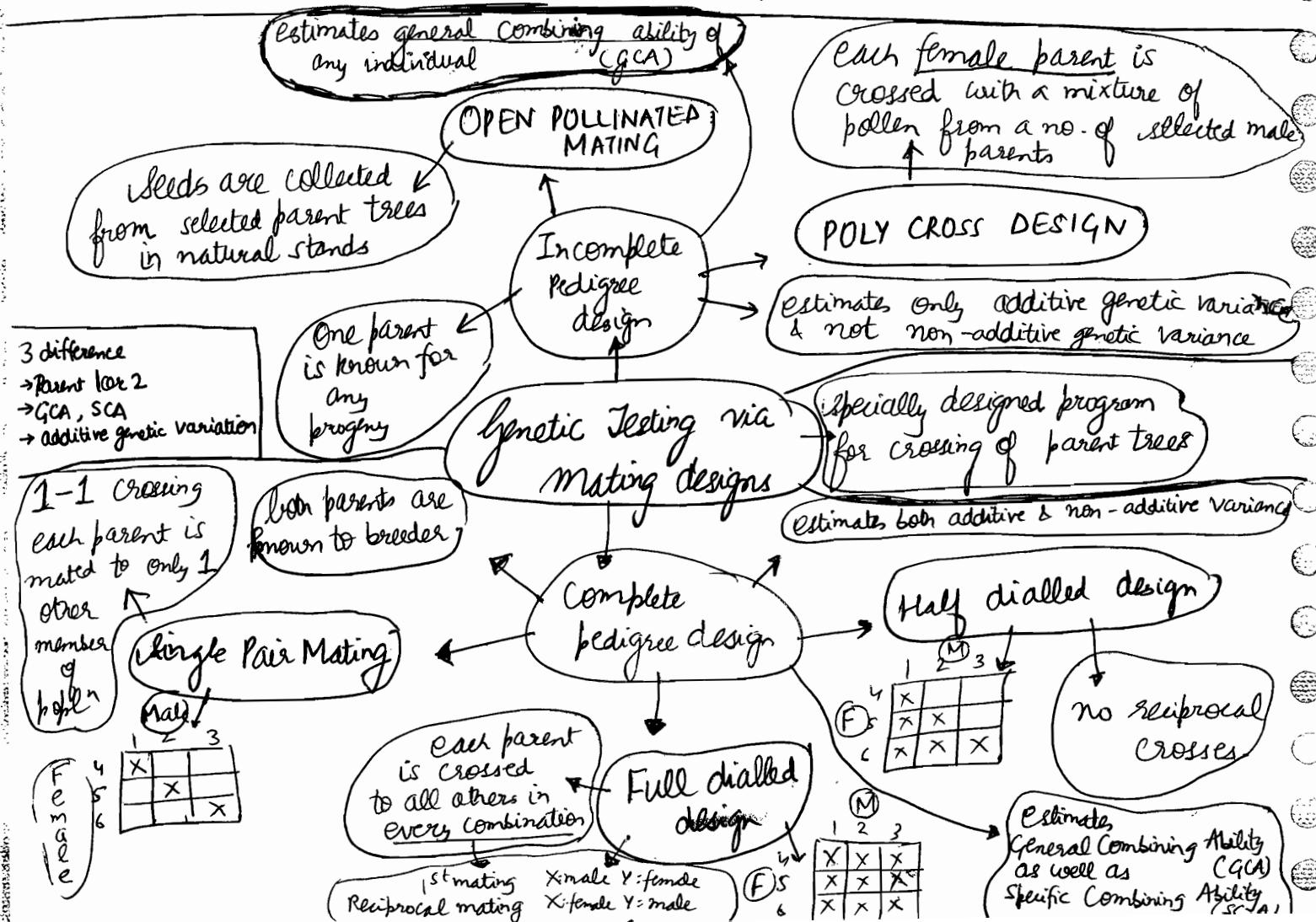
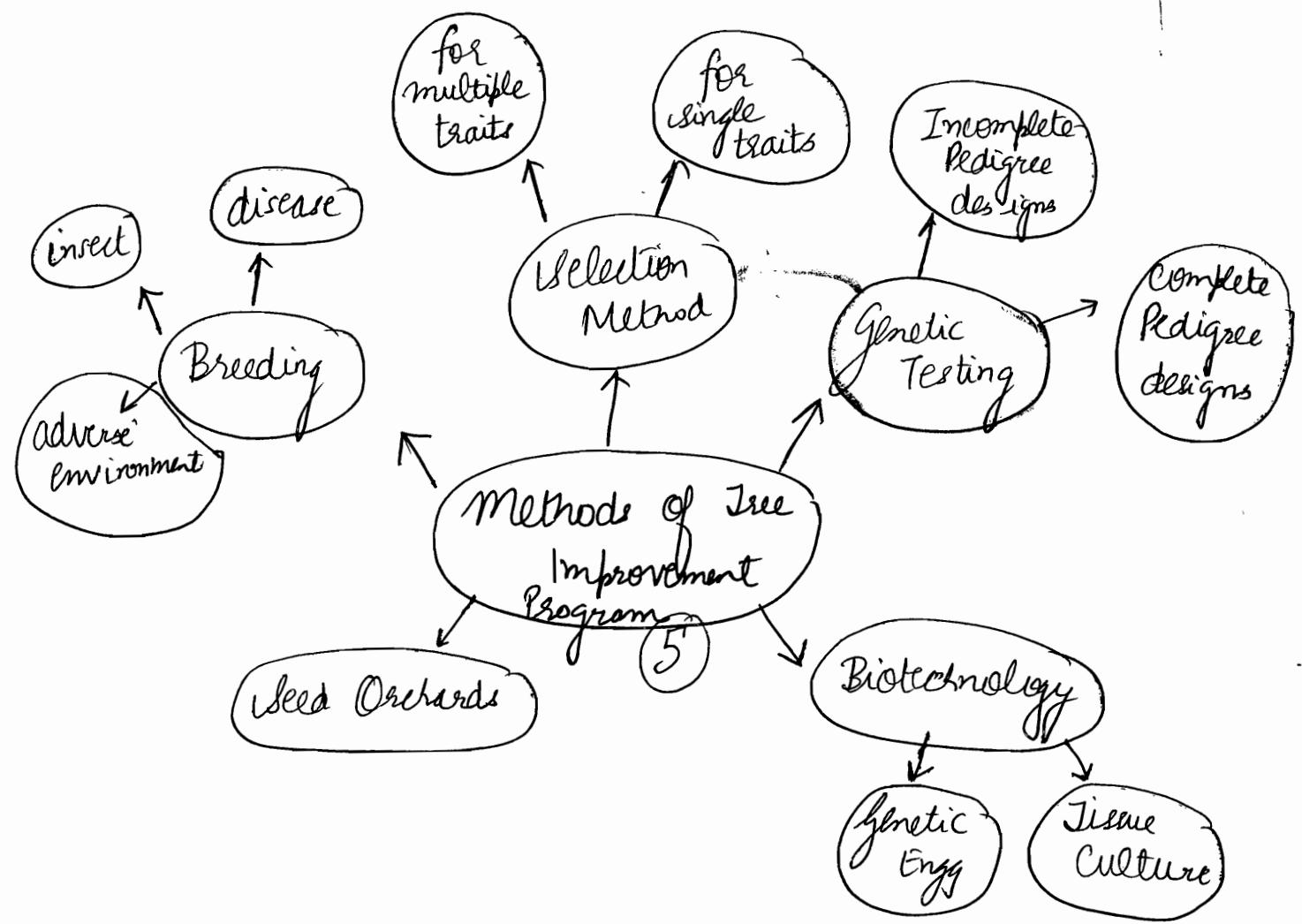
Provenance trials are special type of plantation experiments that help to understand how trees are adapted to different environmental conditions through genetic adaptation.

Provenance means "origin" and refers to a population of trees that come from a particular location.

To establish a provenance trial series, seeds are collected throughout an area of interest (district or state or country). Then seedlings are grown from all collection locations seeds in a systematic pattern.

Sources that grow best can be considered best adapted to the planting site conditions, and these are the sources that should be used for reforestation of areas that are similar to that environment.

- Expensive
- long term
- more the sources, better the result of trials
- general limitations of tree improvement



Genotype is the genetic make up of an organism, usually wrt. a specific character under consideration (i.e. specific allele make up of the individual)

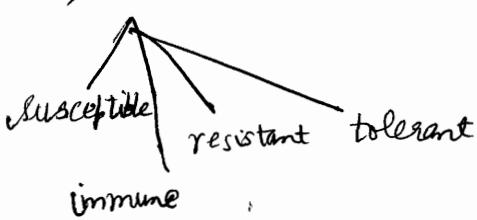
Phenotype is the organism's actual observed properties, usually wrt. a specific character under consideration

Locus is the position of the gene in the DNA.

Recurrent Selection : interbreeding of reselected plants.

### Factors affecting disease development

1) Host



2) Pathogen



3) Environment

- wet conditions or warm conditions increase pathogen growth.

Provenance Selection is the best method for breeding for resistance to adverse environment.

The width of PDZs depends on mode of seed dispersal

Inbreeding is reproduction from mating of parents that are close related genetically.

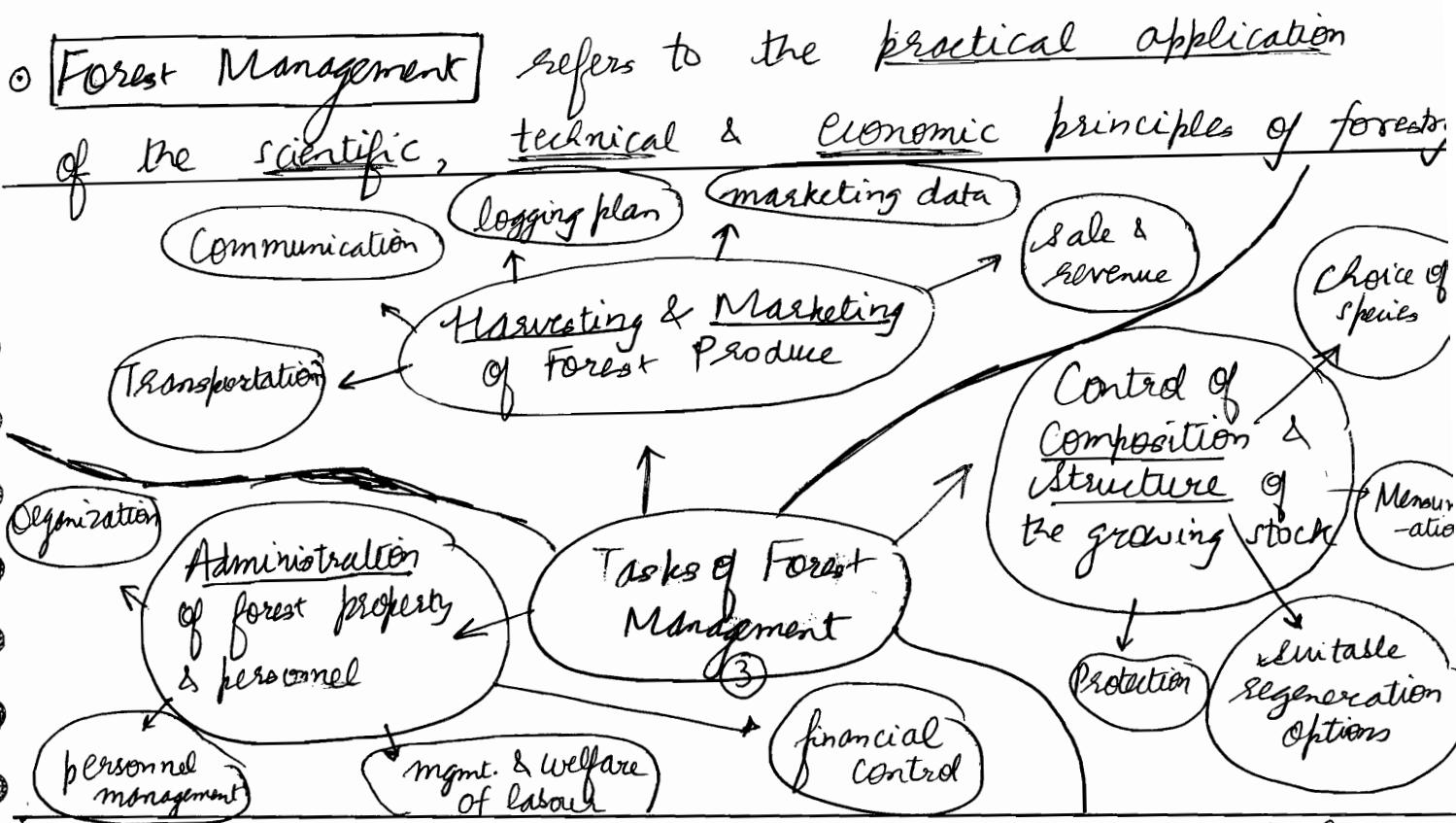
It increases the chances of offsprings being affected by recessive traits i.e. decreased fitness.

Production SOs (seedling or clonal SO)

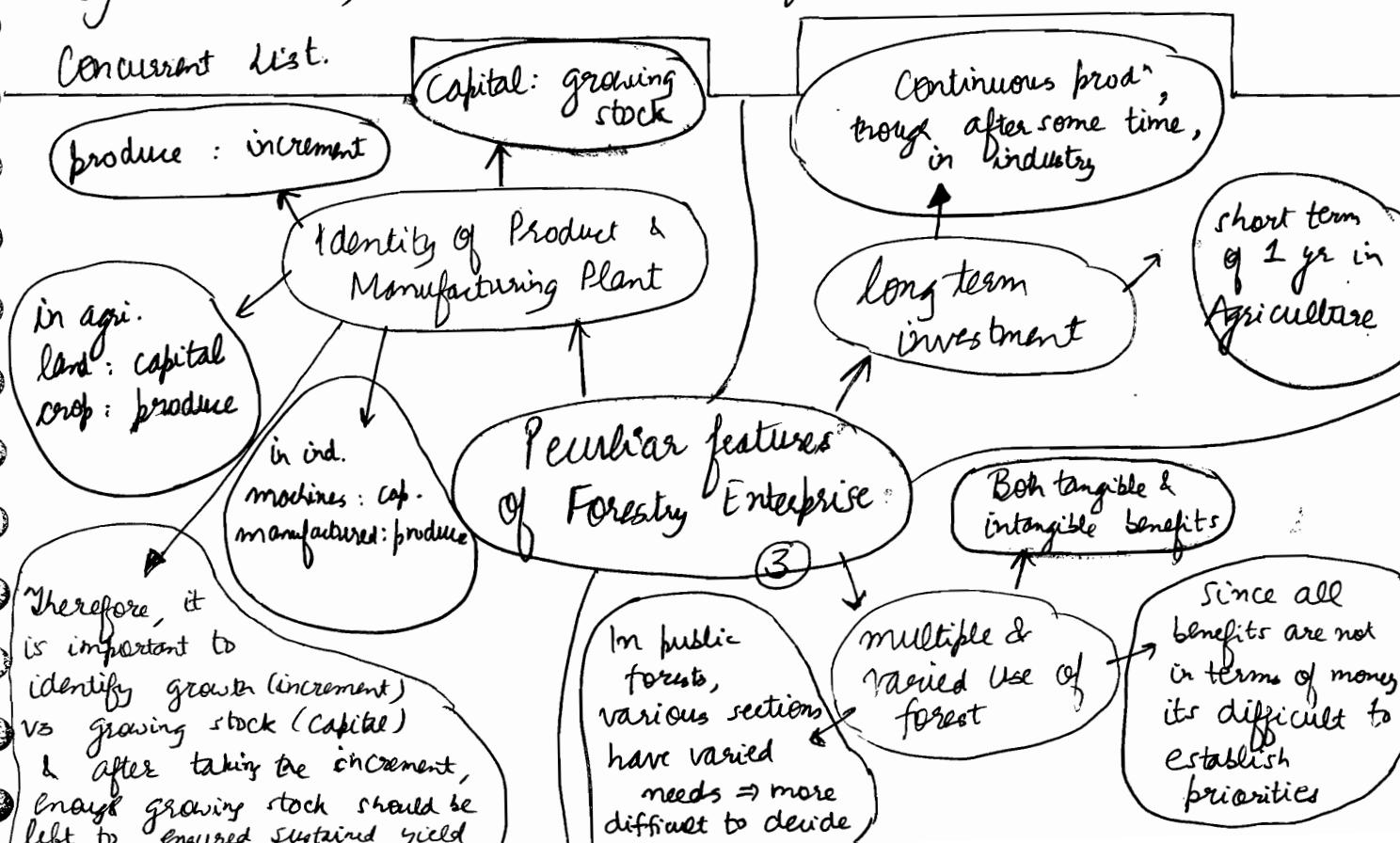
SOs are of 2 types < Breeding SOs (usually seedling SOs)

Silvicultural Operations of SOs : Weeding, Thinning, Fertilization (fertilizers), Irrigation, Flower Induction.

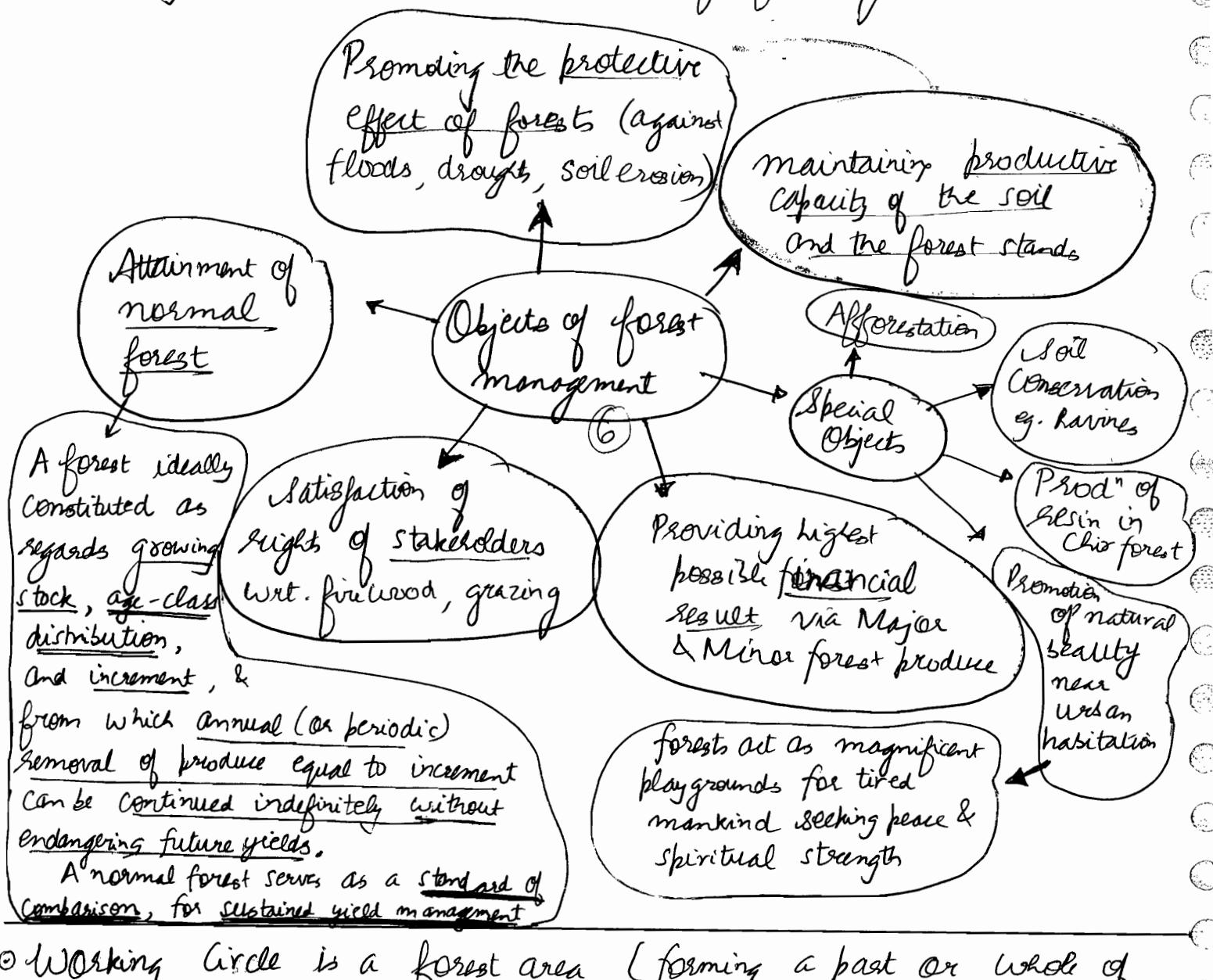




- Major forest produce includes timber, small-wood & firewood
- Minor forest produce includes all forest produce other than major forest produce, including fruit, leaves etc.
- By 42nd C.A., Forests & Wildlife was brought into Concurrent list.



- Working Plans are the instruments of forest mgmt.



- Working Circle is a forest area (forming a part or whole of a working plan area) organized with a particular object and under one silviculture system and one set of Working Plan Prescription.

- Sustained Yield is the material that the forest can yield annually (or periodically) for perpetuity. It is the regular, continuous supply of the desired produce to the full capacity of the forest. It has two major aspects viz. Continuity of Yield & Continuity of Growth.
- Growing Stock is the sum (by volume) of all the trees growing in the forest.

## Complete Series of Age Gradation

The simplest method of obtaining a sustained yield is to maintain a complete succession of equal areas of crops of all ages from one year old to the age of maturity (say  $n$ ) and removing the  $n$  year old wood annually, and plant up the area again.

Such a series of trees or crops of all ages from seedling to the maturity age is known as Complete Series of Age Gradation.

## Progressive Yield

In a developing country like India, the demand for wood is progressively increasing. With economic development and rising living standards, demand is further expected to rise at a faster rate. Hence instead of sustained yield, progressive yield is the new paradigm.

Progressive Yield envisages raising the productivity of soil and of the crop, by silvicultural treatments, judicious tending, enrichment of crop composition by including valuable forest species, and avoidance of loss of increment by effective protection.

Local labour is  
always fully employed

Contractors employed  
on felling, conversion  
and transport have  
an assured &  
steady income

Arguments in  
favour of sustained  
yield

Ensures steady  
income to state,  
facilitates budgeting  
& regulation of  
taxation

Wood - using  
industry has assured  
supply of raw material  
& local people sustained supplies  
of wood for their domestic use

Markets can be developed  
and their confidence gained  
with sustained supplies

Ignores the relationship  
between forestry & other  
sections of national  
economy. Such a  
rigid & inflexible  
policy is not suitable for  
a dynamic &  
growing economy

Sustained Yield is an  
ideal. Wide fluctuations  
are quite common in yield

Regulated Annual Yields prevent  
an increase of felling & sales  
during time of high prices  
Or vice versa

Based on Conservative  
principles. Ignores the  
possibility of changes  
taking place in the  
use of forest  
products, due to  
change in technology  
& social value

Treats timber  
production as only a  
biological function and  
not a response to  
economic demand.

Arguments against  
sustained Yield

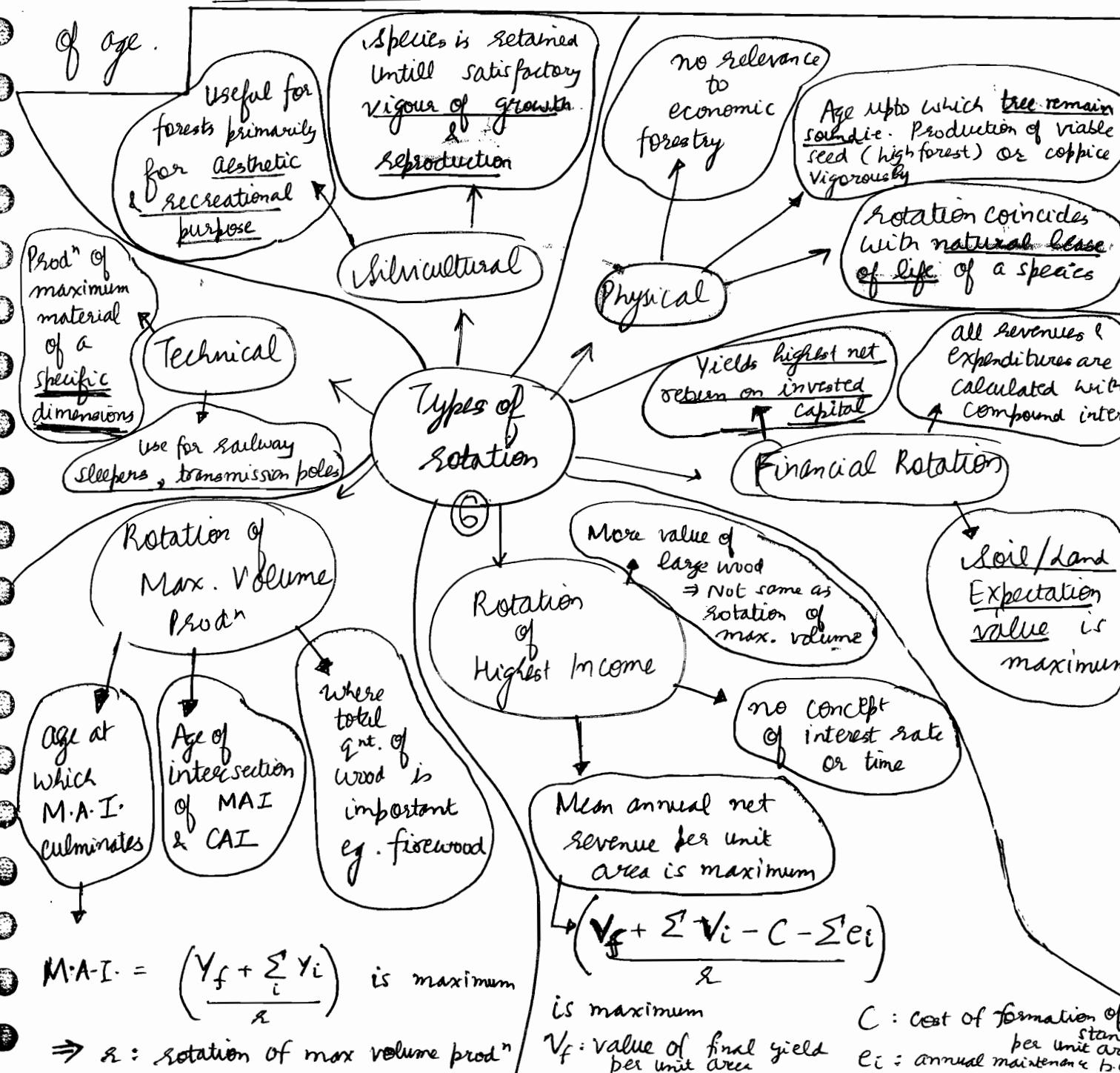
For sustained yield  
management, forest must  
conform to an ideal  
of normal forest.  
Maintaining such a forest, goes  
many-a-times against,  
financially sound decisions

Does not foresee future,  
trends of timber &  
forest product  
requirement

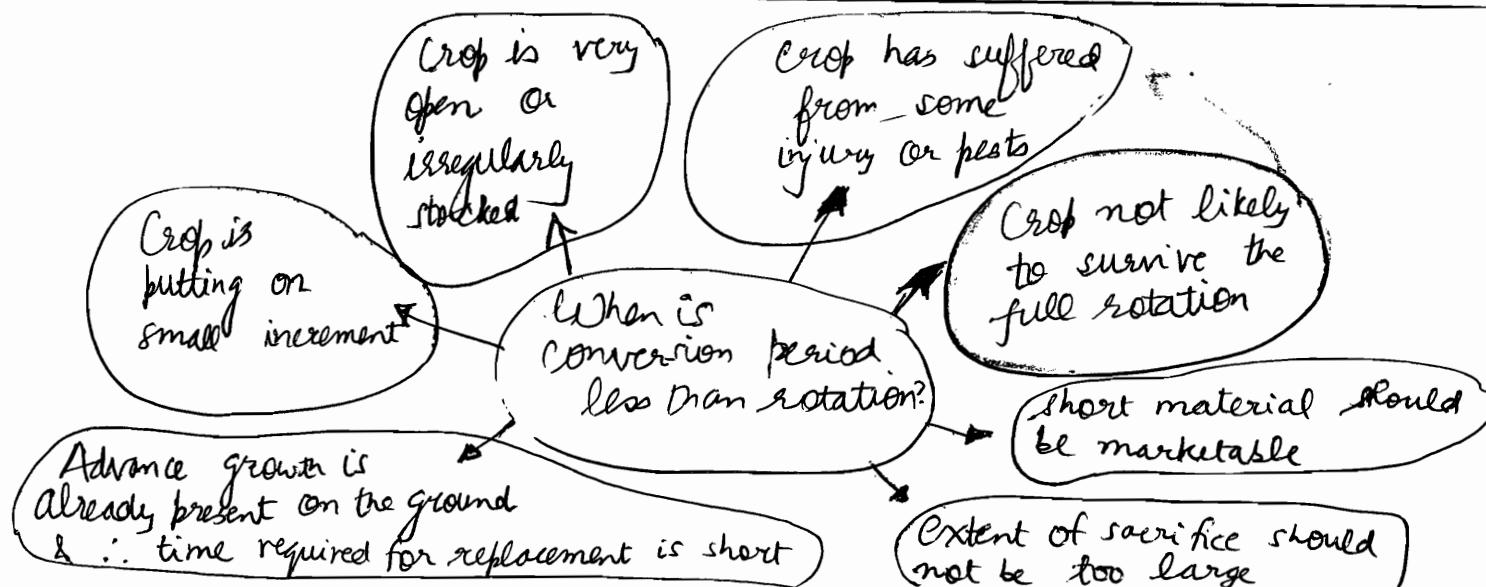
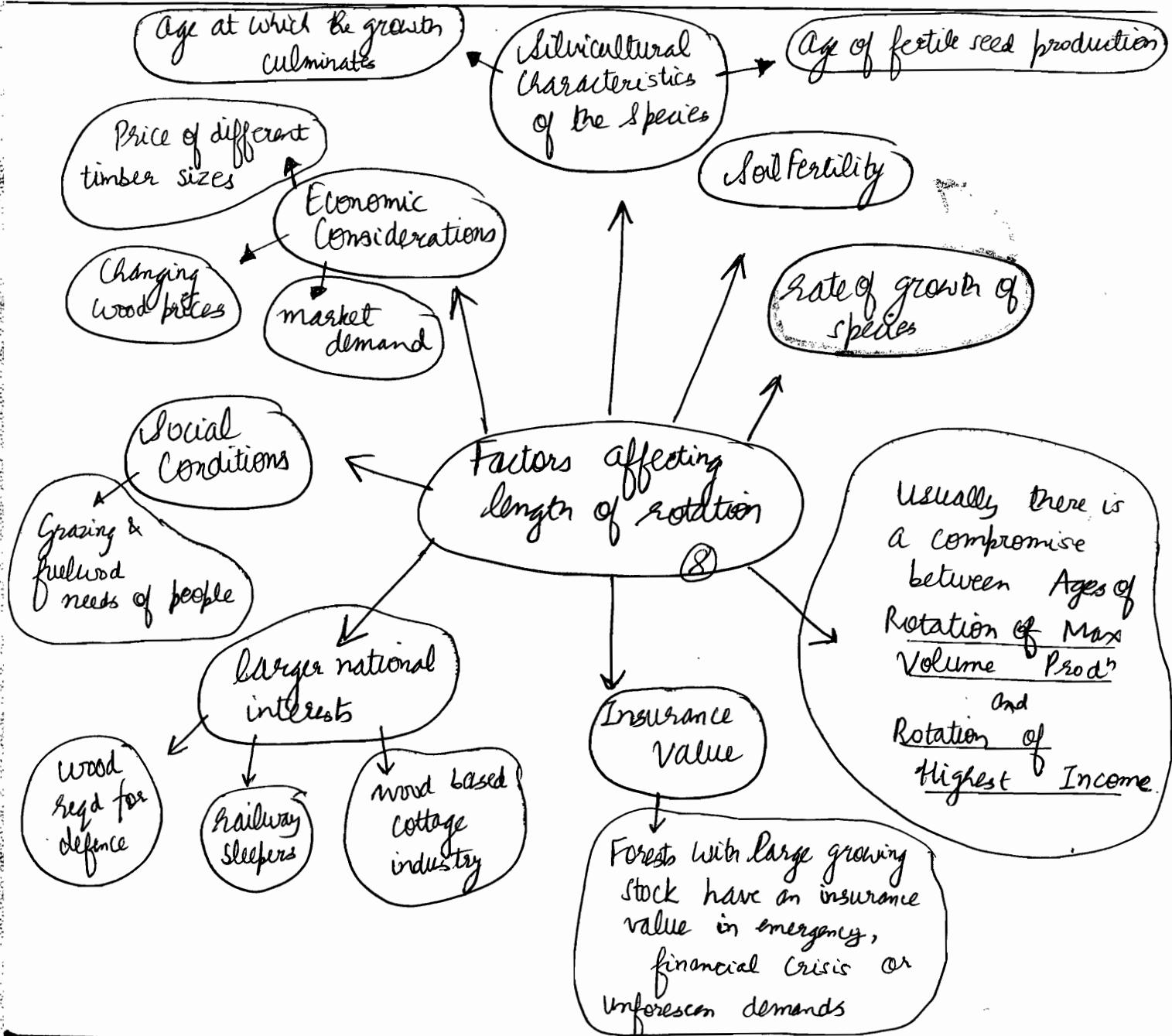
- Rotation refers to the planned number of years between the formation (or regeneration) of a crop & its final felling.

In the case of selection forest, avg. age at which a tree is considered mature for felling, is called rotation period.

- The term rotation is correctly applicable only to even-aged trees, i.e. in regular stands. In irregular stands, exploitable size is the correct criteria instead of age.



Soil Expectation Value (Se) : Be discounted present value of future returns from a property, minus the discounted present value of all future expenses necessary to earn these returns.



Normal series of age gradation

Normal growing stock

It's a corollary to the other 2. It follows as a matter of course if the 2 other conditions are present.

Trinity of Norms in a forest

Normal Increment

**normal** does not mean usual/common in the context of forestry. It means an IDEAL condition.

"as a matter of course": naturally or automatically.

It's not necessary that each gradation/class may be distinctly separated into separate crops.

e.g. all-aged Selection Forest.

idea of a direction we should proceed to get the maximum benefit from forest

Need for ideal standard

Criteria to compare existing conditions of forests

Understocked: preponderance of younger crop

Overstocked: low increment & decay overgrown

Abnormality

Growing Stock

best

Increment  
disease fire

Repeat of Ages

1 2 3 5 5 5 7 8 9

Missing ages

e.g. 1 2 3 7 8 9

Gradation

reduction 10 → 8 yrs  
surplus 9 & 10 yrs  
olds are cut gradually  
until there were 1-25 hectares of each gradation

④ Exploitable size: diameter / girth decided upon as the normal size for felling in order to fulfill the objects of management.



### De Liocourt's law (Balanced Forest)

In a fully stocked selection forest, number of trees in 1 diameter class to the next diameter class is in Geometric Progression

$a$

$(\frac{a}{q})$

$(\frac{a}{q^2})$

$a$ : number of trees in lowest diameter class

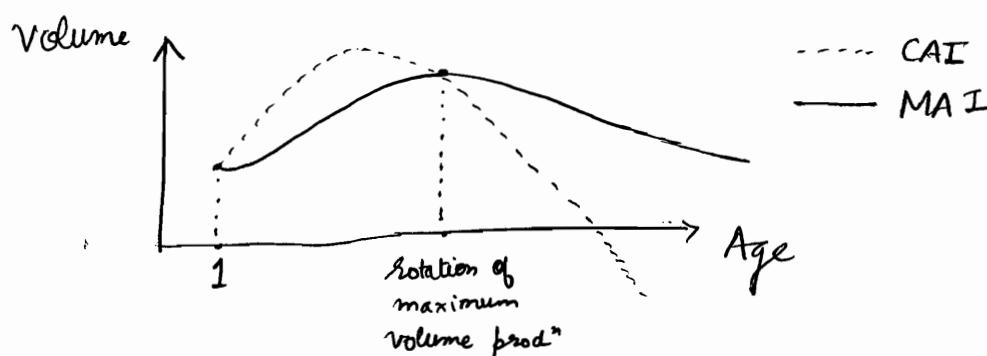
$q$ : coefficient of reduction

- **Increment** is the increase in girth, diameter, basal area, height, volume of individual trees or crops during a given period.

In forest management, increment refers usually to only volume increment & that too of crops rather than individual trees

- **Current Annual Increment** is the increase in growth that takes place in a particular year.

**Mean Annual Increment** is the average annual increment upto a age i.e. total increment upto any specified age divided by that age.



- **Increment %** is the relation of the increment during a given period to a basic volume which may be taken as
  - (i) mean of avg. volume for the period
  - OR (ii) the volume at the beginning of the period

### **Presler's Formula**

$$\text{Increment Percent (p)} = \frac{\text{Increment}}{\text{Volume}} \times 100$$

*n years*

$$= \frac{(V_f - V_i)}{n} \times 100$$

$$= \frac{(V_f + V_i)}{2} \times 100$$

$$= \frac{(V_f - V_i)}{V_f + V_i} \times \left(\frac{200}{n}\right)$$

- **Assumption**: Current annual increment is equal for  $n$  years

- Add intermediate felling volume to  $V_f$ .

→ In the year when MAI culminates, we have

$$MAI = CAI$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{V_f + V_i}{2n} = \left( \frac{V_f - V_i}{n} \right)$$

$$\Rightarrow p = \left( \frac{V_f + V_i}{V_f - V_i} \right) \times \frac{200}{n} = \frac{n}{2n} \times \frac{200}{n} = \underline{\underline{\left( \frac{100}{n} \right)}}$$

Applicable when  $n$  is not too large.

### Schneider's Formula

Using Pressler's Borer, we can find out the no. of rings per cm.

let  $D$  (cm) be d.b.h. at present &

$\Rightarrow n$  years  $\rightarrow 1$  cm  
 $\Rightarrow 1$  year  $\rightarrow \left( \frac{1}{n} \right)$  cm growth

$n$  be no. of ring in last cm

$\Rightarrow \left( \frac{2}{n} \right)$  cm growth in diameter

$$\Rightarrow D_{\text{last year}} = D - \left( \frac{2}{n} \right), \quad D_{\text{next year}} = D + \left( \frac{2}{n} \right)$$

$$p = \frac{\pi r_f^2 h f - \pi r_i^2 h f}{\pi r_i^2 h f}$$

$$= \frac{D^2 - \left( D - \frac{2}{n} \right)^2}{D^2} \times 100 \quad \text{or} \quad \frac{\left( D + \frac{2}{n} \right)^2 - D^2}{D^2} \times 100$$

Taking avg. we get

$$p = \frac{400}{nD}$$

Simple formula that can be used any time without knowledge of initial diameter.

### Compound Interest Formula

$$D = d \left( 1 + \frac{p}{100} \right)^n \Rightarrow$$

$$p = 100 \left[ \sqrt[n]{D} - 1 \right]$$

Some fast growing species include

(  $> 10 \text{ m}^3/\text{ha}/\text{annum}$  )

- ✓ Eucalyptus Hyb
- ✓ Casuarina Equisetifolia ✓
- ✓ Shorea Robusta ✓
- ✓ Tectona Grandis
- ✓ Populus spp.
- ✓ Tropical Pine
- ✓ Bamboo spp.

Per Tree Method

$$\text{Total increment} = \sum_i n_i C_i v_i$$

n: no. of trees in a dia class

v: volume per tree in a dia class

c: CAI per tree in a dia class

Pfeesler

By Increment %

Schneider

Compound Interest

Determination of Increment

In Regular Forests :  
By Yield Table

Usually available for pure, even-aged, normally stocked & thinned to ordinary 'C' grade stands

In Irregular Forests

Andres Formula

Successive Enumeration

Bolley's Method

$V_i, V_f$

T : material removed during period (thinning)

R : recruitment (growing stock that has passed minimum enumeration limit : 20 cm)

n : period between enumeration

$$\text{Age mean} = \frac{n_1(\beta - x) + n_2(q - x) + \dots}{n_1 + n_2 + n_3}$$

$\beta, q, s$  : true age of dia. classes

$$\Rightarrow \text{MAI} = \frac{\text{Growing Stock}}{\text{Age mean}}$$

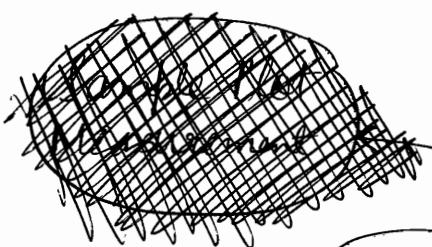
$$\text{MAI} = \frac{(V_f - V_i) + (T - R)}{n}$$

$$= \left[ \frac{(V_f + T) - (V_i + R)}{n} \right]$$

Use of statistical methods

By Partial or sample Enumeration

By Total or Complete Enumeration



Determination of Actual Growing Stock

Aerial Photography

Practiced only in valuable or small forests

In each age area, annual increment

$$GS = i + 2i + 3i + \dots + ni \\ = n \frac{(n+1)}{2} i \\ = \frac{I}{2} + \frac{I}{2}$$

(before felling)

$$GS \text{ after felling} (= I) \\ = \frac{I}{2} - \frac{I}{2}$$

from  
Final MAI

Assume linear increase with time: A, B, C, D  
be volumes at age  $n, 2n, 3n, 4n$

$$\text{For F.S.} \\ 2xi = I \\ \text{= total MAI of series} \\ \text{= Sum of All CAIs} \\ \text{i.e. of all } 2 \text{ age gradations}$$

$$\text{For each coupe, CAI} = MAI \\ = i$$

$$GS = \frac{I}{2}$$

in clear felling system

Determination of Normal Growing Stock (NGS)

$$GS = n(A + B + C + \frac{D}{2}) \\ \pm \frac{D}{2}$$

before & after felling

$$GS = n(A + B + C + \frac{D}{2})$$

real NGS

from Yield Table

= Area under yield curve

Selection

Shelterwood



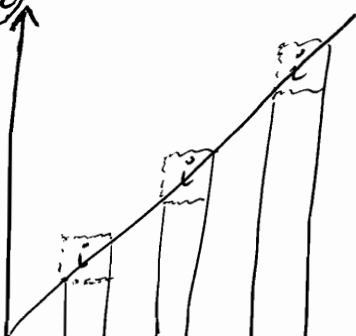
$GS_{MAI} > GS_{YT}$  in lower years while  
 $GS_{MAI} < GS_{YT}$  in higher years

$$CIR = 88$$

Comparison

Fitter's Constant C

Volume  
 $m^3$   
per hectare



Age  
(each on 1 hectare of land)

① An uneven-aged stand with maximum utilization of soil and air space should carry a larger volume of Growing Stock per hectare as compared to an even aged crop on the same site.

②  $(\text{Normal Yield}) = I \times 2 \quad (\text{in a rotation period})$   
 $= 2 * N \text{ GS}$

Therefore, the yield in a rotation period is twice the existing Growing Stock. - the other half coming from increment put on by the G.S. during the rotation.

Also half the increment is used in this way where other half goes to form the GS of next rotation.

③ Utilization % =  $\left( \frac{\text{Yield}}{\text{Normal Growing Stock}} \right) \times 100\%$   
= 200%. (for normal forest of complete age grad)

④ In order to have sustained yield, we should have equiproductive or reduced areas instead of equi-intensive areas.

Density and Quality are two commonly used reducing factors.

Actual Area is modified to get a reduced Area equivalent to a fully stocked forest area with normal density 1.0.

< do examples on P-113, 114, 115 >

$$\textcircled{a} \quad \frac{\text{Reduced Area}}{\text{Actual Area}} = \frac{\text{MAI(Quality)}}{\text{MAI(Standard Quality)}} = \text{Quality Reducing Factor}$$

$$\left( \frac{\text{density}}{\text{density of fully stocked stand}} \right) = \text{Density Reducing Factor}$$

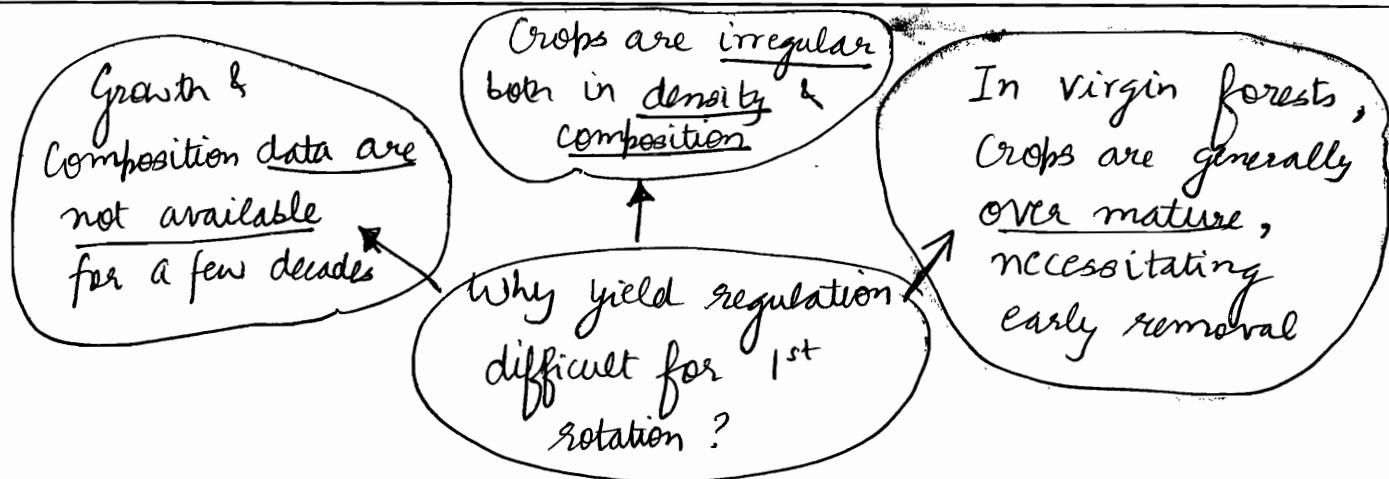
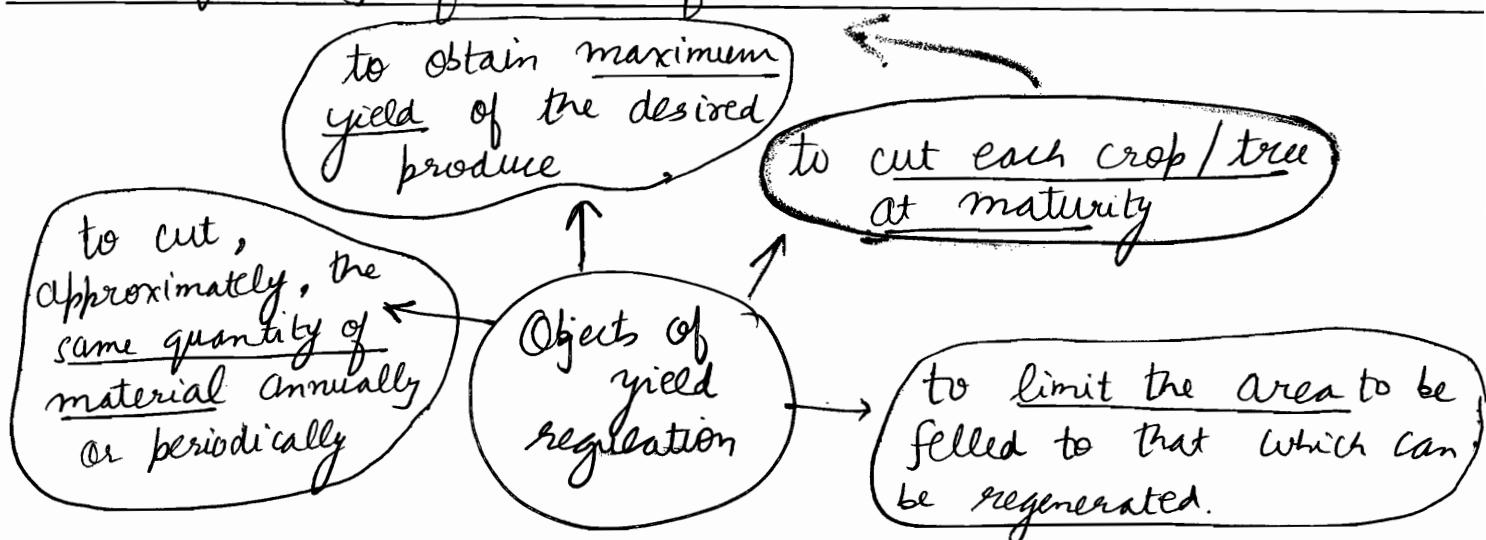
→ Quality reducing factor, depending upon quality chosen,  
can be  $>1$  or  $<1$  or  $=1$   
while

also density reducing factor  $\neq 1$  as we compare with  
normally stocked forest.

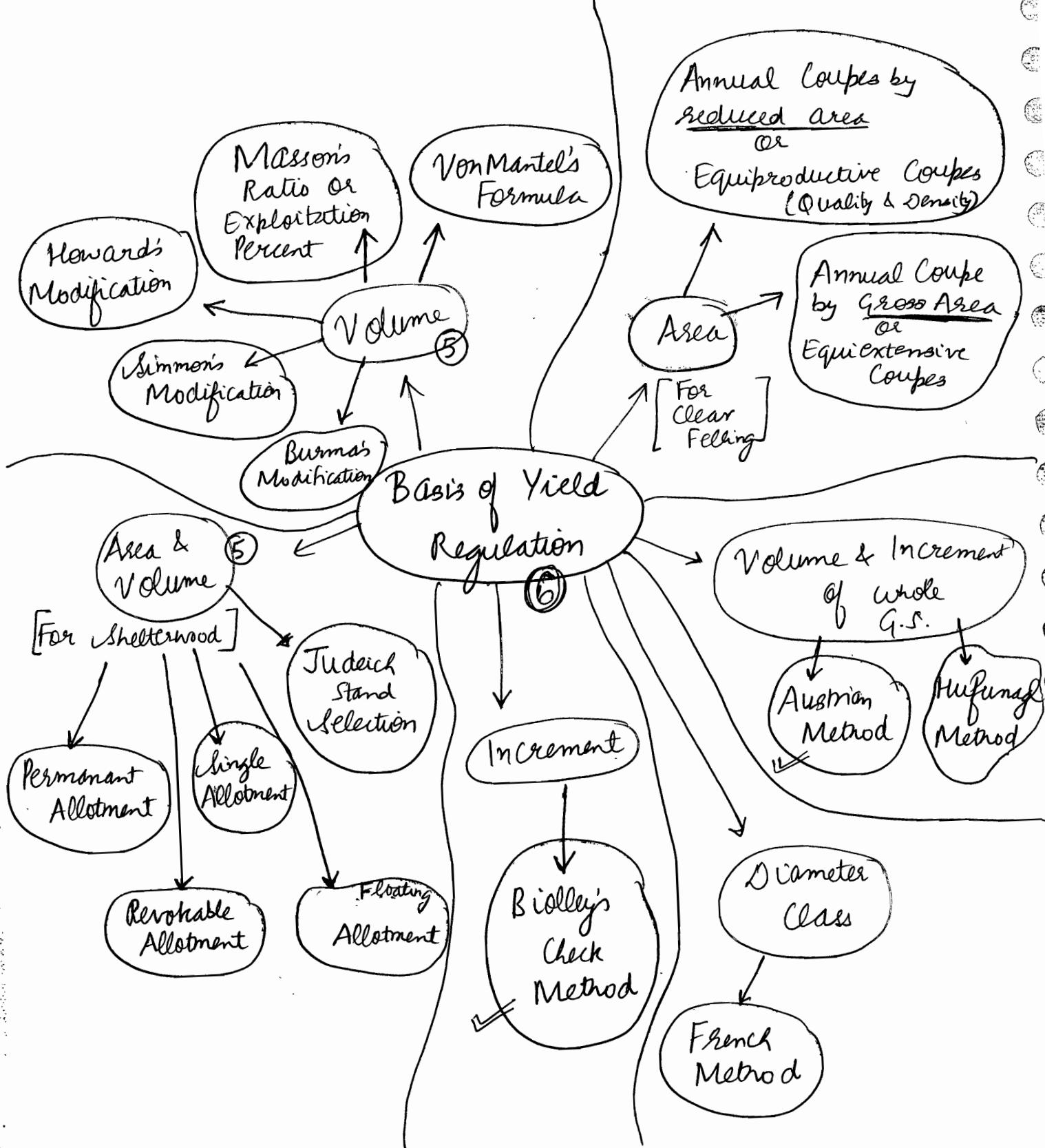
## Yield Regulation

**Yield Regulation** refers to the determination of the yield in advance and the prescribed means to realize it! Therefore it involves two functions :

- calculation/ determination of what the amount of yield should be
- prescribing the means of realizing it : how much, where & when to cut the calculated quantity from the forest.



- Yield is usually regulated for the period of the Working Plan as it's neither possible nor desirable to fell exact quantity annually due to unforeseen contingencies.



### Area Method

Adv : ① Simplest Method in practice  
② Establishment of age gradation is easier

Disadv : ① It is very rigid in execution  
② Felling does not consider crop cond<sup>n</sup>  
③ If rotation is changed, entire coupe needs to be redefined.  
④ Not possible to lay equiproductive coupes in forests.

Compartment damaged by pests, fire, insects

Emphasis is given on PB I while rest of the PBs are allotted later based on crop condition

Priorities to choose PB I for regeneration

Revokable Allotment

Compartment of mature crop with / without advance growth

Similar to Revokable PB

Single Allotment

Area allotted to current regeneration block & compartments are allotted in this PB Only

Area & Period of this PB fixed

Unlike Revokable, here rest of the PBs are not allotted considering necessary revision later

Floating Periodic Blocks

Similar to single allotment. But Area & Period of the PB I are not fixed in advance

But

$$\frac{\text{Regeneration Period}}{\text{Rotation}} = \frac{\text{Floating PB}}{\text{Felling Series}}$$

is valid

Number

of P.B.s

$$= \left( \frac{R}{P} \right) = \frac{\text{Rotation}}{\text{Regeneration Period}}$$

$V_i$ : initial volume of P.B. I that needs to cut in time of P years

i: annual increment P.B. I

Costs formula

Annual Yield

$$= V_i + \frac{(iP)}{2}$$

$$= \frac{V_i}{P} + \frac{i}{2}$$

Permanent Allotment

Simple Method but

Rigid in operation (similar to Area Method)

Short period of 10 years for yield regulation

treats every part of the forest according to its own financial merits

Forest divided into a no. of compartments, each with suitable rotation & regeneration period

Judeich Stand Selection

difficult to execute but financially most profitable

Adv.  
Felling is done according to silvicultural characteristics of crops

Disadv.  
Applicable only for normal forest

In Periodic block method, rotation is divided into a number of convenient periods. Area allotted to various periods are called Periodic Blocks (PBs). This method is less rigid. Final yield is obtained from matured periodic block over the period. Allotment of area to Periodic blocks is done by 5 means.



## Bolley's Check Method of Increment

$$\text{Increment} = \frac{(V_f + T) - (V_i + R)}{n}$$

In order to adjust for overstocked/ understocked trees, we add another factor

$$Y = \frac{(V_f + T) - (V_i + R)}{n} + \frac{(G_a - G_N)}{A}$$

A ≥ n

G<sub>a</sub>: actual G.S.

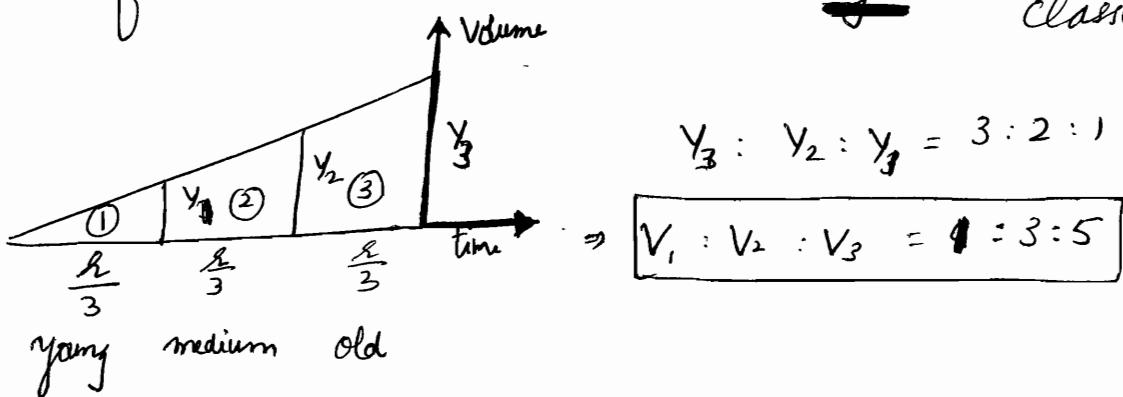
G<sub>N</sub>: normal G.S.

A: Period of Adjustment

(e.g. 100 years  $\rightarrow$  effect of overstock  
will adjust after 20 years)

## French Method : Diameter Basis

divides whole forest into 3 zones based on age (diameter classes)



Old Age Class is removed in  $\left(\frac{1}{3}\right)$ rd of rotation

$$\Rightarrow \text{Yield in } \left(\frac{2}{3}\right) \text{ years} = \frac{V_o + V_o \times t_i \times \frac{2}{3}}{2}$$

V<sub>o</sub>: volume of old age class

t<sub>i</sub>: increment per unit volume per annum

$$\Rightarrow \text{Annual Yield} = \left[ \frac{V_o}{\left(\frac{2}{3}\right)} + \frac{V_o t_i}{2} \right]$$

## Austrian Method

Based on increment & G.S.

$$\text{Annual Yield} = Y = I + \left( \frac{V_a - V_n}{A} \right)$$

increment      growing stock

I : Increment in Normal Forest

V<sub>a</sub> : Actual GS

V<sub>n</sub> : Normal GS

A : Period of Adjustment

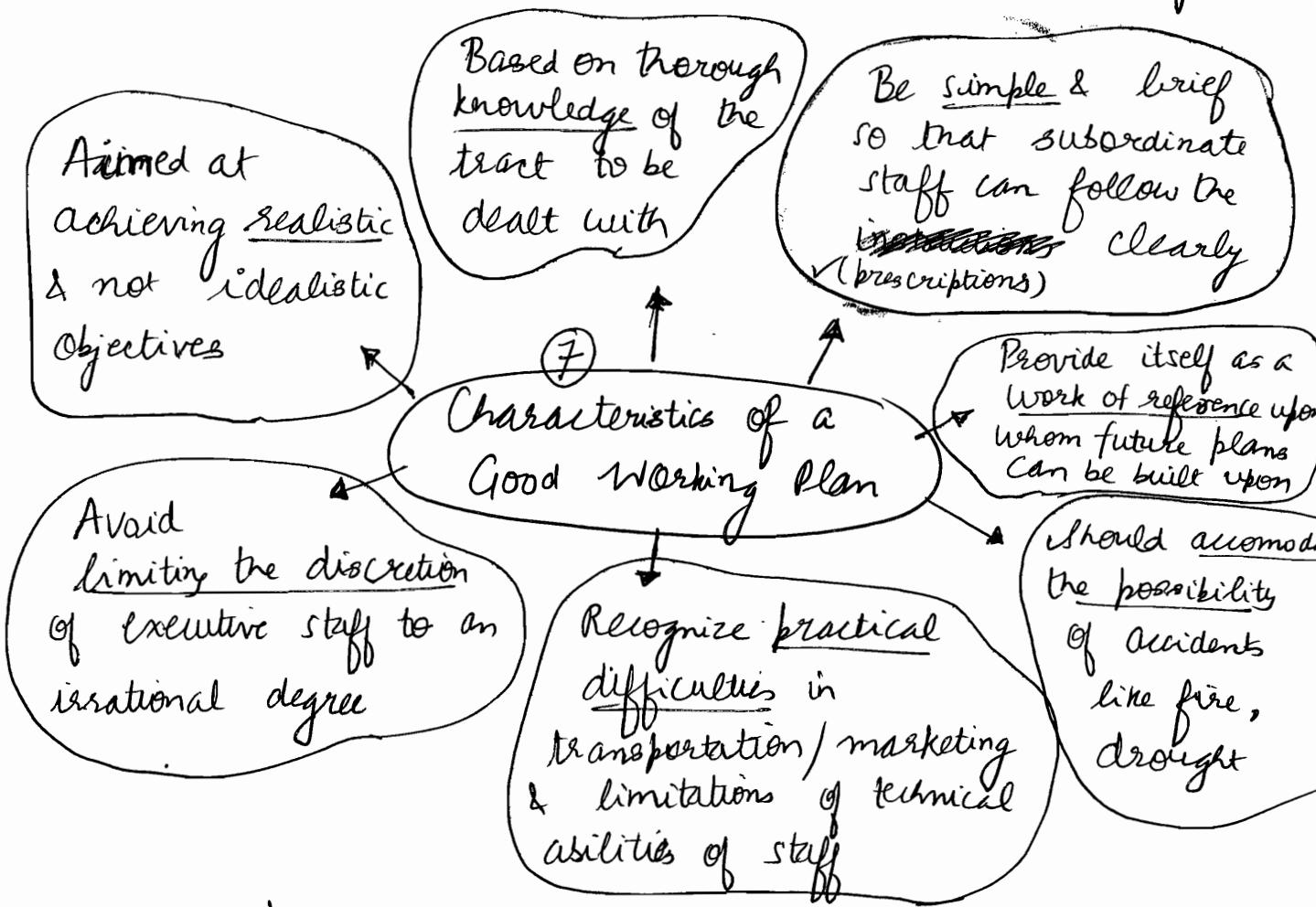
This method helps to produce normal forest from abnormal conditions.

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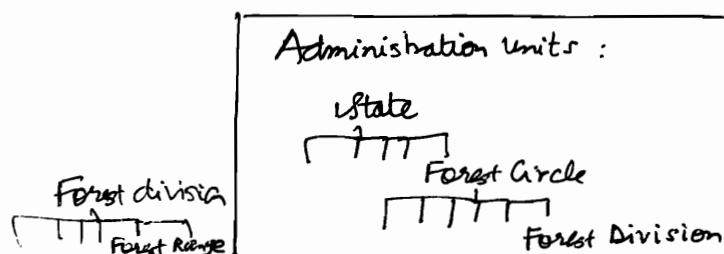
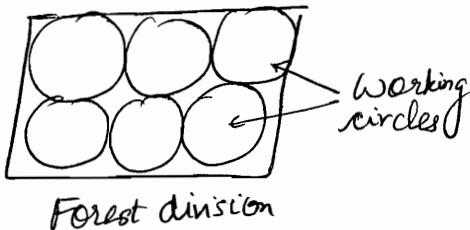
### WORKING PLAN

Forest Working Plan is a written schemes of mgmt. aiming at continuity of policy & action controlling the treatment of a forest.

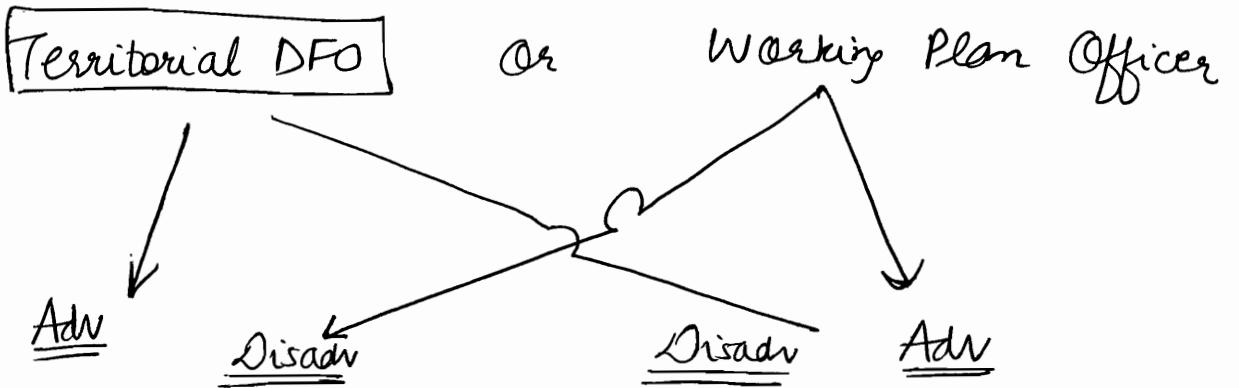
The long term of working involved in forestry and the inevitable changes in personnel necessary for its mgmt., make it imperative that mgmt. plan is in the form of a written document to ensure continuity of policy.



★ Forest division is the basic unit for working plan.

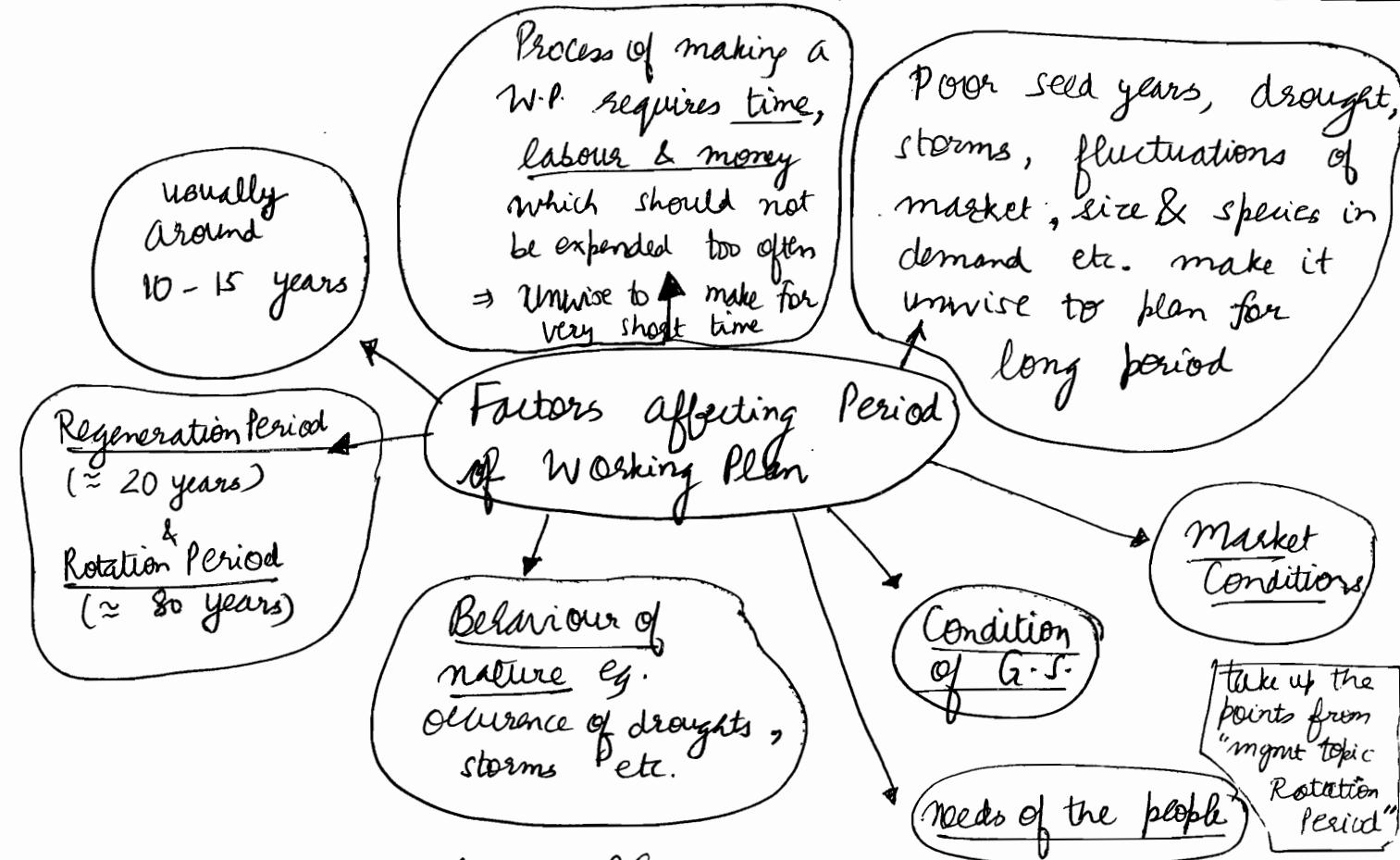


Who chalks out Working Plan? [Best approach is that the 2 officers work in cooperation]

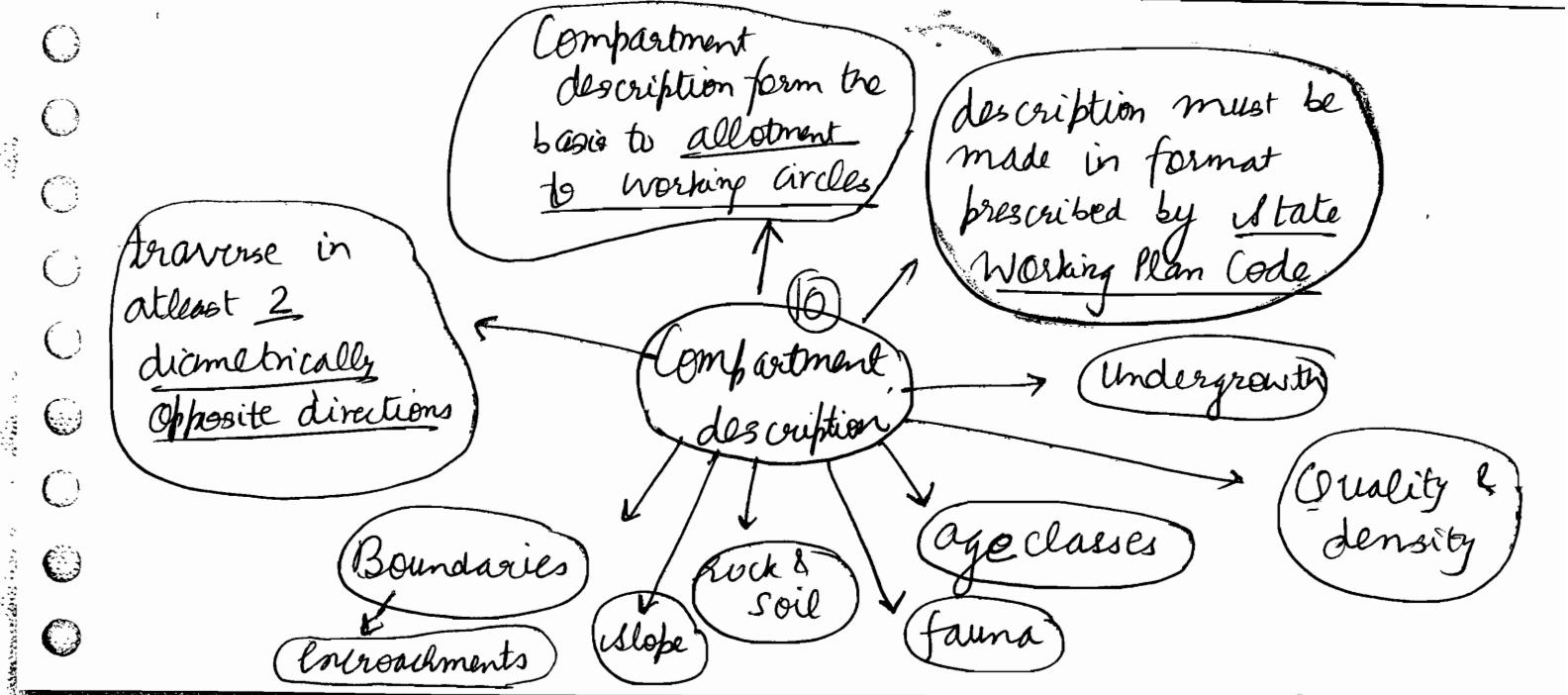
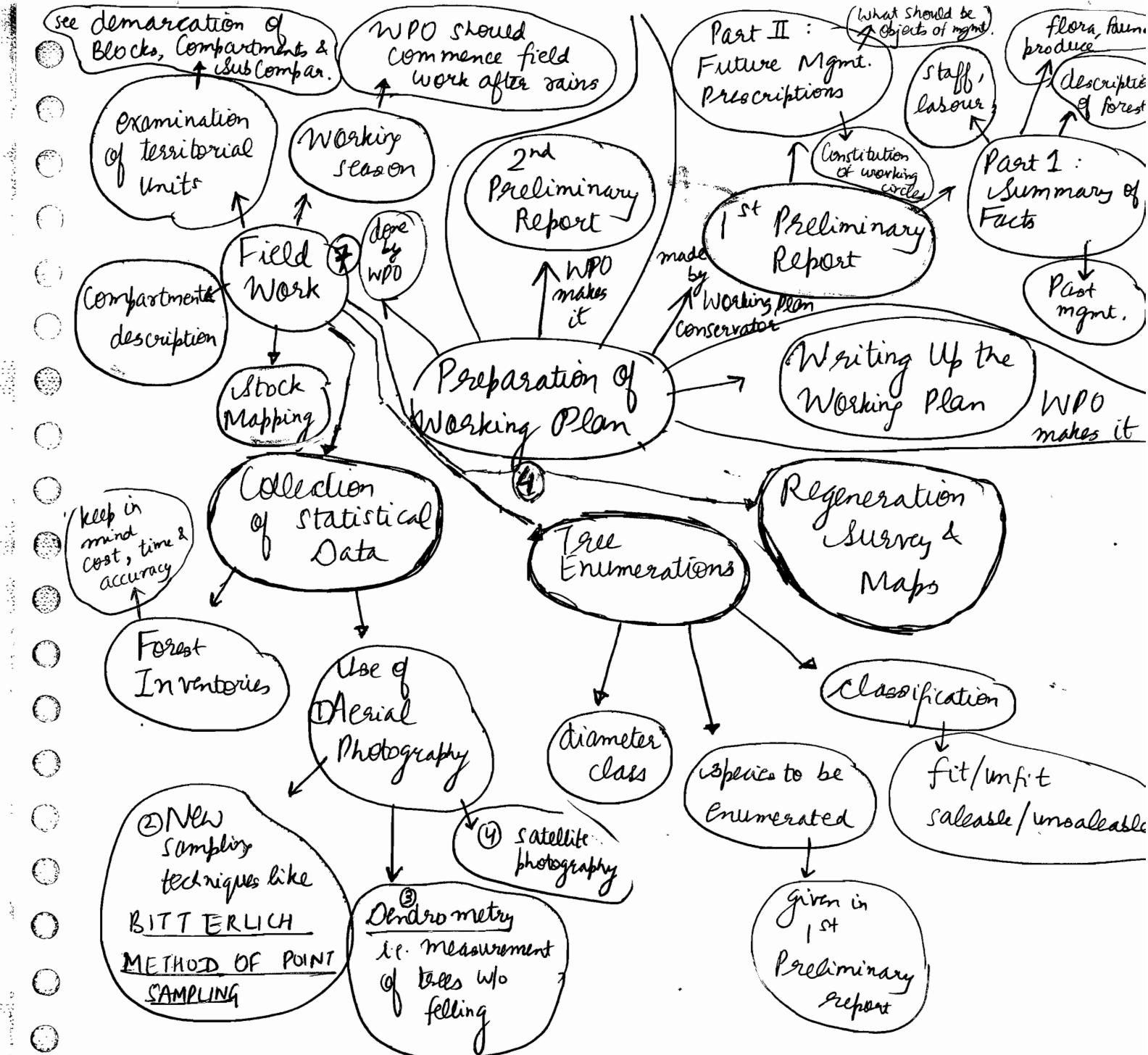


- ① Territorial division has adequate staff for preparing a plan
- ② DFO and local staff has detailed knowledge of region
- ③ DFO correctly judges the performance of current WP

- ① WPO has enough time to go into every aspect of working plan formula while DFO is busy with regular, hectic schedule.
- ② Little chance of bias as WPO is new to the area. Hence lesser errors in prescription.



\* Besides, there are Annual Plans too.



Stock Map is a <sup>(pictorial)</sup> graphic representation of the nature and composition of the forest. It gives a less detailed but more more easy to comprehend idea of the forest & can be prepared with much less trouble.

Following Stock Maps are usually prepared:

(1) Crop Composition

Pure Crop — More than 75% by one species

Main Crop — 50 - 75%

Mixed Crop — 25 - 50%

Miscellaneous Crop — < 25% by one species

(2) Land Use

Sal forest

Barren land

Mixed Forest

Cultivation Area

(3) Age Class distribution

Seedling Crop

Pole Crop

Mature Forest

Over Mature Forest

(4) Density



Closed Canopy

1  
 $> 0.6$

Dense

$0.4 - 0.6$

Thin

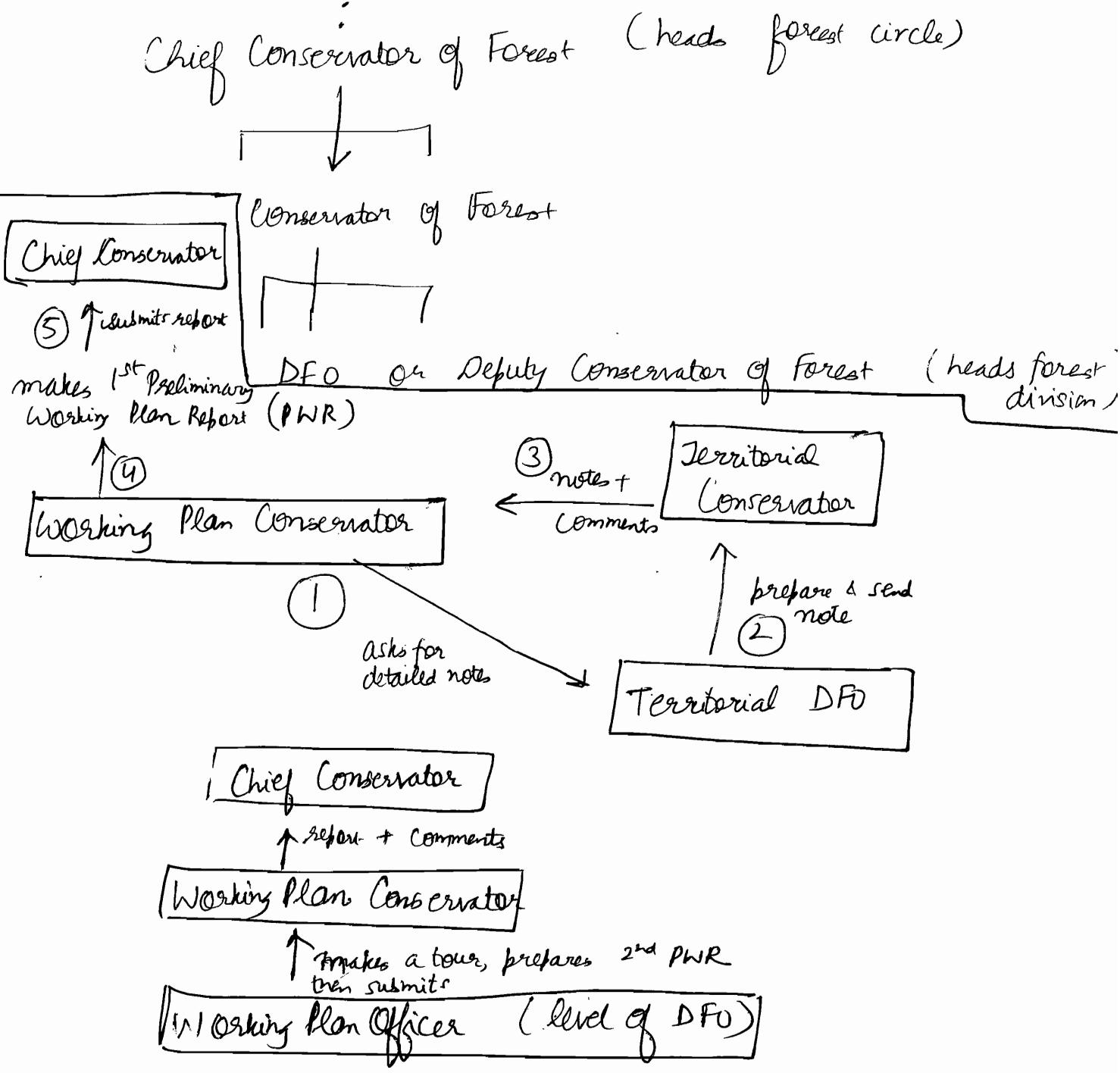
$0.2 - 0.4$

Open

$< 0.2$

Sparse

- ★ A working plan may be made -
    - 1) Originally when no previous plan exists.
    - 2) A little before expiry on the current working plan based on the performance of the current working plan.
    - 3) In between the working plan due to heavy natural damage to entire division or many working circles in case of disasters.
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### Role of Working Plan in Forest Conservation

(7)

Shows information on degraded lands.  
∴ Helps afforestation as well as reforestation programme

Gives information about past mgmt. and results. facilitates future mgmt. by avoiding errors in mgmt.

Prescribes mgmt. practices according to site conditions

Acts as a reference manual

Gives information on regeneration status & thus area requiring highest protection is easily determined

Gives info of local people & their demands

Info on soil, climate, slope & site quality useful for selection of crops

## CHAPTER - 8

### FOREST MENSURATION

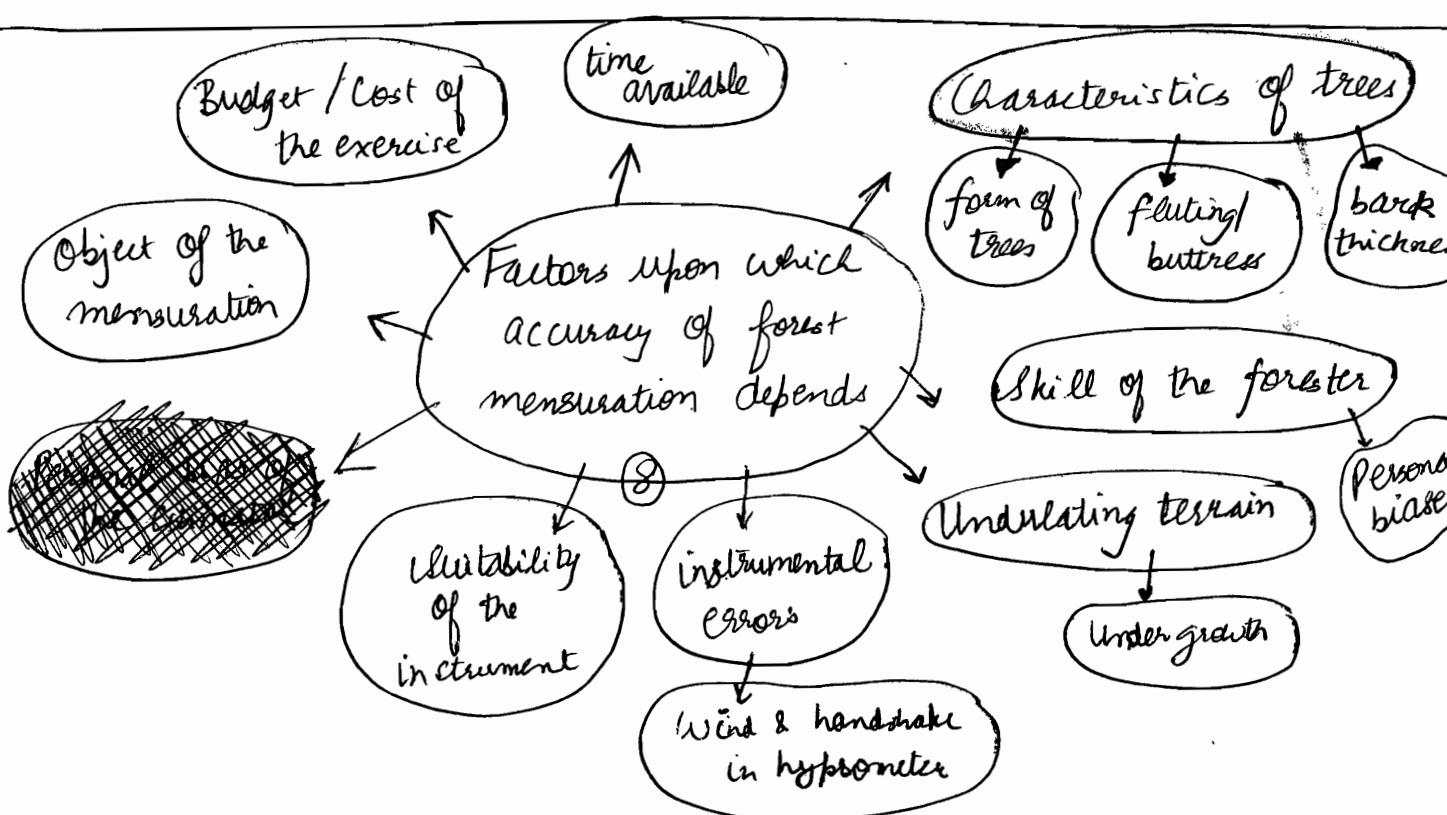
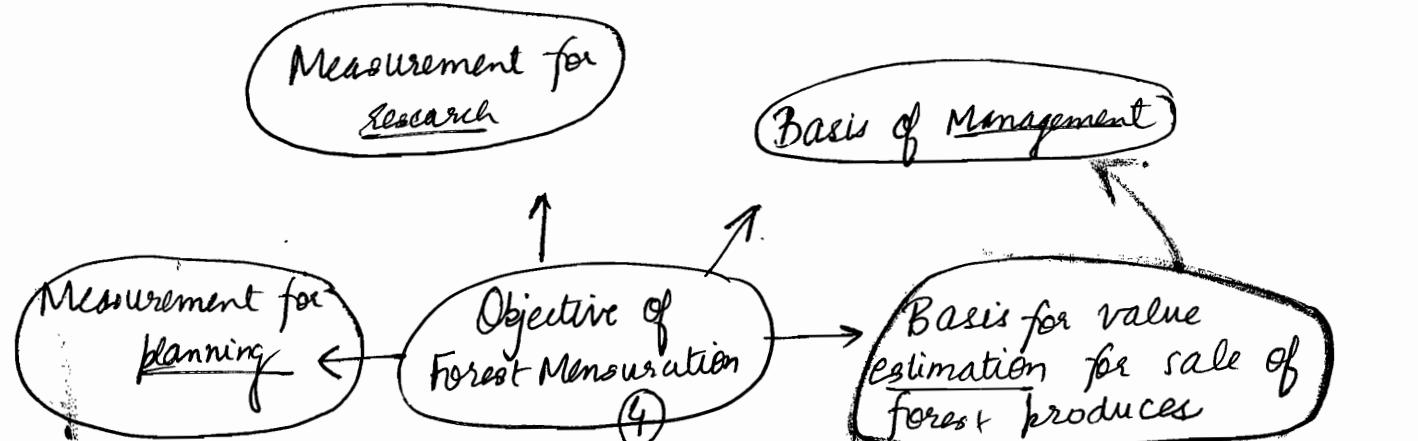
★ inch → feet → yard → chain  
 (12)                   (3)                   (22)                   (10)  
 (30.48 cm)

furlong → mile  
 (8)                   (1.6 km)

★ 10 square chain → 1 acre  
 640 acre → 1 mile square

★ ounce → pound → quarter → hundred weight → ton  
 (16)                   (28)                   (4)                   (20)                   ( $\approx 1016 \text{ kg}$ )  
 (0.453 kg)

1 metric tonne = 1000.



## Diameter & girth

\* Measurement, usually, at Breast Height : 1.37 m  
 (D.B.H) = 4 ft 6 inches  
 or  
 (G.B.H) = 4.5 ft

More useful than measurement at stump height ∵ stumps are never cut at a uniform height

### Reason for Breast Height (5)

Uniform point of measurement that standardizes the data

Abnormalities like root swell, buttress, etc. near base

base usually covered with grasses, shrubs and thorns

Convenient height that avoid fatigue

\* Unless specified, by default, measurements are considered over bark i.e. DBH (O.b.) and GBH (O.b.)

$$\text{where } k = 4\pi(a-b)^2$$

& ideal value of area =  $\pi ab$

$$\text{Area} = \frac{g^2}{4\pi}$$

$$\text{error} = \frac{3}{32}k$$

Area Measurement by 2 girths & their errors

$$\text{Area} = \pi \left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right)^2$$

Best Method  
Minimum Error.

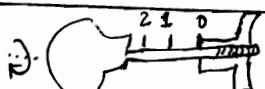
$$\text{error} = \frac{2}{32}k$$

$$\checkmark A - \Delta = \pi ab$$

$$\text{Area} = \pi \left(\frac{a^2 + b^2}{2}\right)$$

Maximum Error

$$\text{error} = \frac{4}{32}k$$

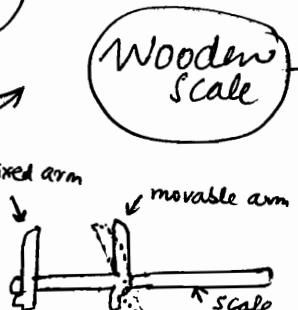


Swedish Bark Gauge to measure bark thickness

Tape  
(inch tape)

Instruments

Calliper



Wooden Scale

Used to measure diameter of stumps or end of logs or stem analysis

### Choice of instrument

(3)

Accuracy required

whether tree is standing or felled

If felled, conditions in which logs are lying

$\text{Girth} = \pi d$   
 $\Rightarrow$  Girth Calipers are graduated to read the circumference

to make diameter of standing trees & logs

for sample plot or research purpose : cm and mm

Units

for routine forest works : diameter classes painted in different colours

movable arm sticks when the scale is wet or dirty

taking 2 dia is cumbersome

difficult to locate major & minor axes

difficult to carry & handle

Use

Calipers

(6) Precaution

Errors are both positive & negative

$\Rightarrow$  usually neutralize to give more accurate result

more accurate than tape

Arms are firmly pressed against bole  $\Rightarrow$  crushing of loose bark hence accurate measurement

Point of arms touching the tree are always in sight  
 $\Rightarrow$  less error

Scale arm should touch the tree stem

$$\tan \theta = \frac{D}{L}$$



if more elliptical than circular, then 2 diameters should be measured corresponding to major & minor axes of ellipse

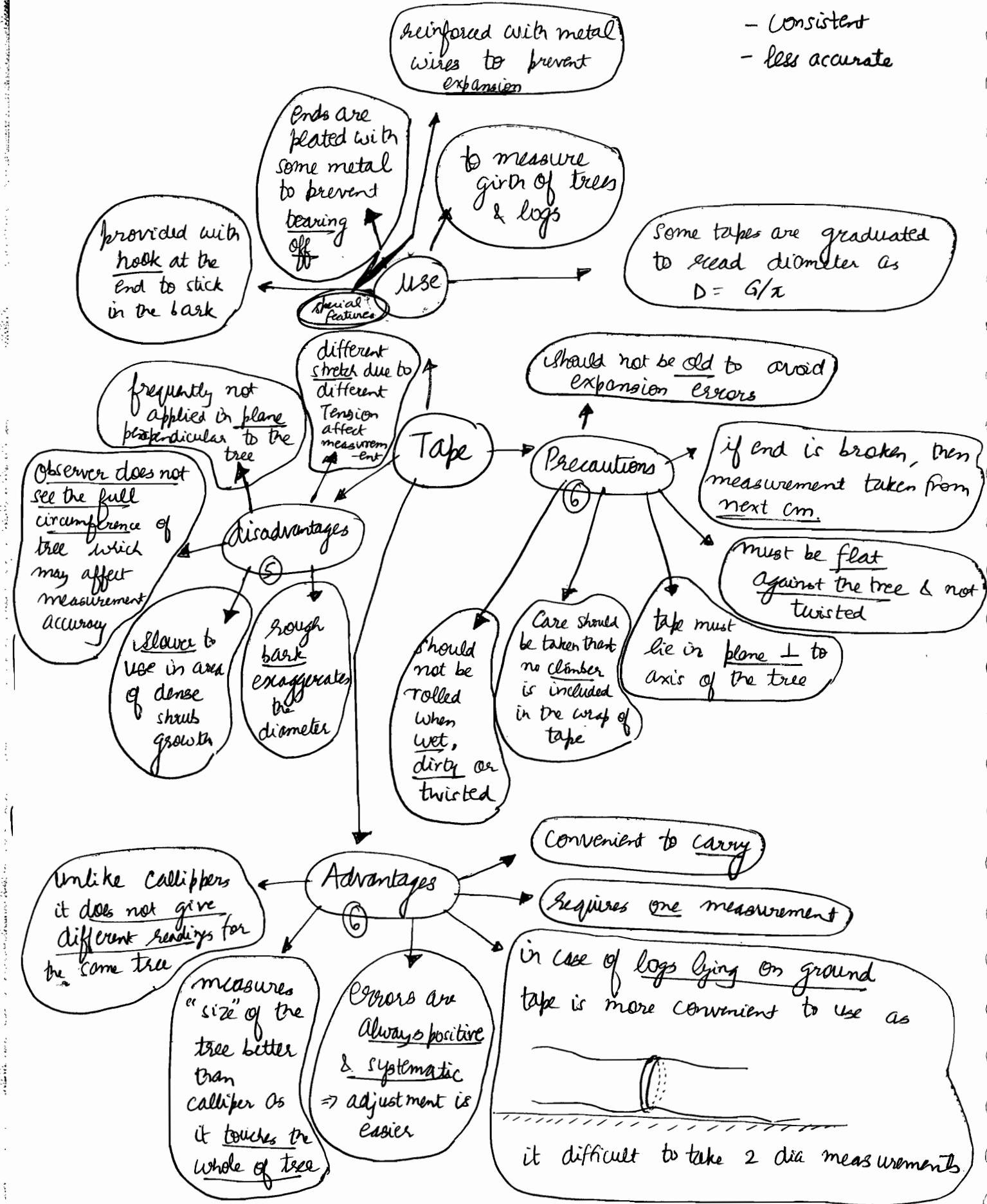
Caliper should be placed at rt. angle to tree axis

Average dia. should be taken as dia.  
 $\Rightarrow$  It involves minimum error in calculation of basal area

$$\text{error} = D_{\text{sec} \theta} - D$$

- accurate  
- inconsistent

- Consistent
- less accurate



### Diameter classes

2 cm class interval :  $< 30 \text{ cm dbh}$

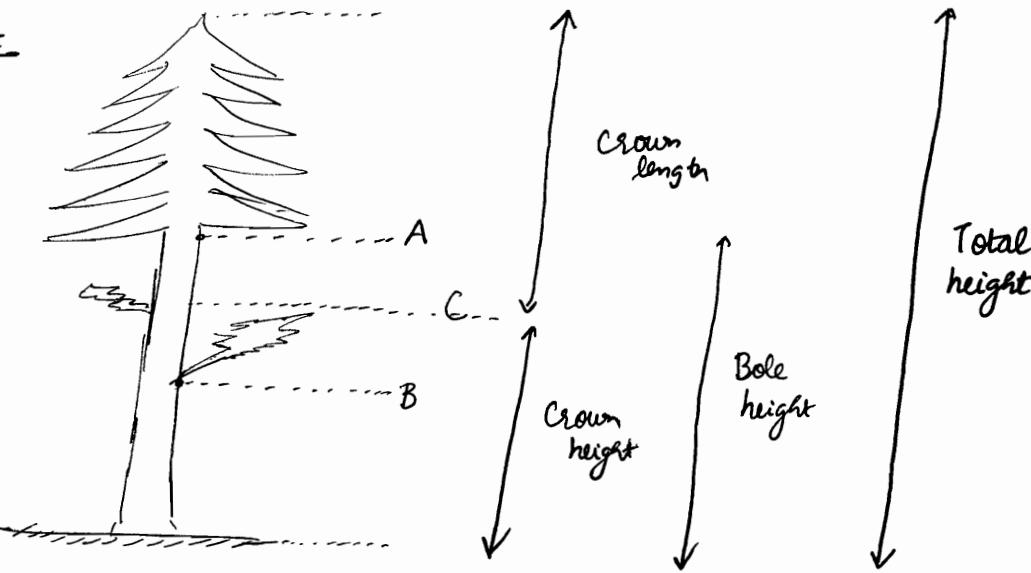
5 cm class interval :  $30 - 50 \text{ cm dbh}$

10 cm class interval :

$> 50 \text{ cm dbh}$

- ① Standard colours are used for different class for use of illiterate workers.

## Height

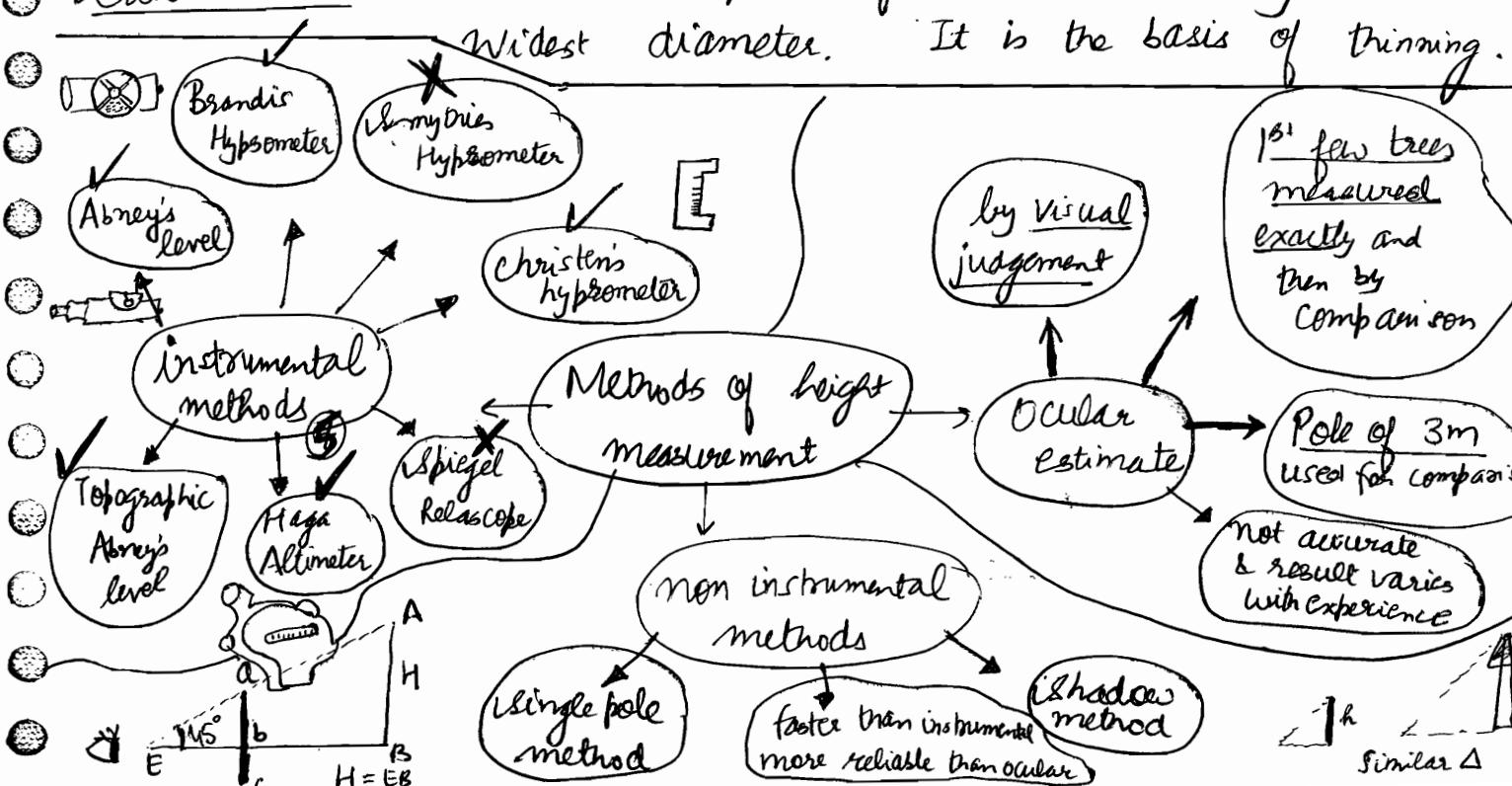


- A : lowest green branches forming green crown all sound  
(called Crown Point)
- B : lowest green branch on bole
- C : point half way between <A> and <B>

Commercial Bole Height : height of the bole that is usually fit for utilization as timber

Standard Timber Bole Height : height from ground upto point where avg. diameter (over bark) is 20 cm

Crown Width : Maximum spread of the crown along its widest diameter. It is the basis of thinning.



# Principles of Height Measurement

Principle of similar triangles

Shadow method

Single pole method

Christen Hypsometer

Lamy tree hypsometer

reloscope

Haga altimeter

Abney's level

Brandis hypsometer

Trigonometric Principles

Tangent Method

Line Method

$$H = d \tan \alpha + d \tan \beta$$

$$h = \frac{d \sin(\alpha + \beta)}{\cos \alpha}$$

fatigue by constantly holding out arm in reqd. position



Upper hole to suspend instrument  
lower hole to hang a weight

A ~~staff~~ or known length is used along

Staff is difficult to carry & placed

2 flags or protruding edges

Christen's Hypsometer

Not useful for large trees as close readings < 30 m

disadv.

Quicker to use

principle

$$AB = \frac{(BD * ab)}{bd}$$

Shaking of arm & wind disturbance

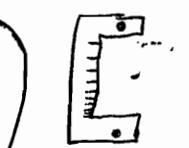
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distance between observer & tree not reqd.

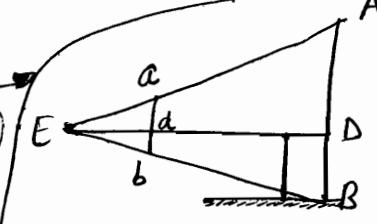
height of tree can be read directly

similarity of complete & lower triangles used

i.e.  $AB \propto \left( \frac{1}{bd} \right)$   
Hence graduations that way



description



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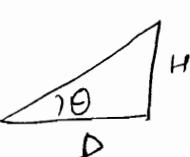
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Haga Altimeter



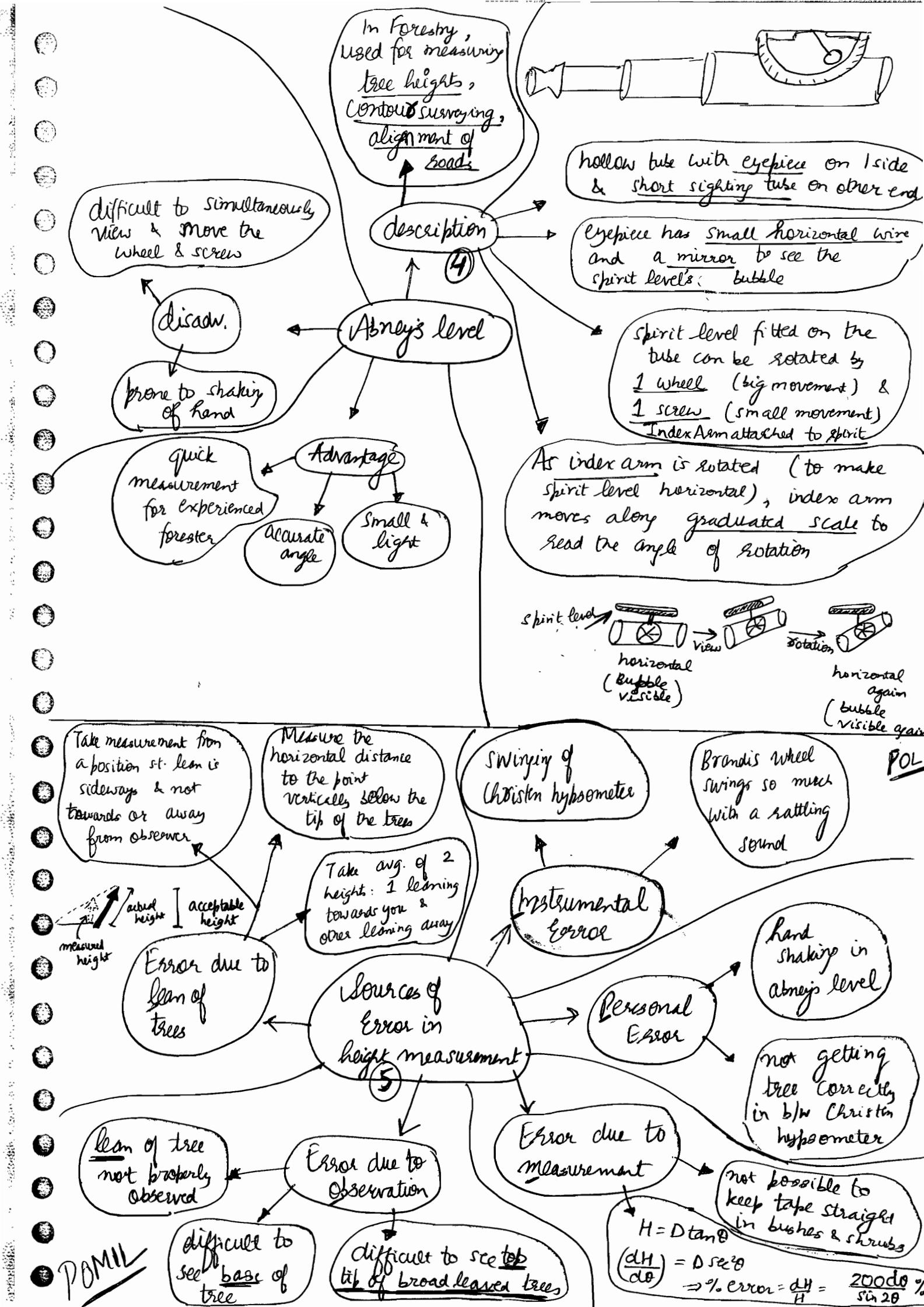
$\theta = 45^\circ$  for minimum error

$$H = D \tan \theta$$

$$\frac{1}{H} \left( \frac{dH}{d\theta} \right) \times 100\% = \frac{D \sec^2 \theta}{D \tan \theta} \times 100\% = \frac{200}{\sin 2\theta}$$



Brandis Hypsometer



- $\alpha$ : horizontal to top of tree
- $\beta$ : horizontal to base of tree
- $\theta$ : vertical to tree stem  
(absolute)

$$AB = EB \frac{\sin(\beta - \theta)}{\cos(\alpha + \theta)}$$

lean away

eye level  
above top &  
bottom

lean towards

$$AB = EB \frac{\sin(\beta - \theta)}{\cos(\alpha + \theta)}$$

Measurement of  
height of  
leaning trees

AB: tree  
E: Eye  
C: vertical  
D: horizontal

$$AB = EB \frac{\sin(\alpha + \beta)}{\cos(\alpha + \theta)}$$

U.S.  
 $\frac{3\pi}{4}$   
ET  
Sine  
rule

lean away

eye level between  
top & bottom

lean  
towards

$$AB = EB \frac{\sin(\alpha + \beta)}{\cos(\alpha + \theta)}$$

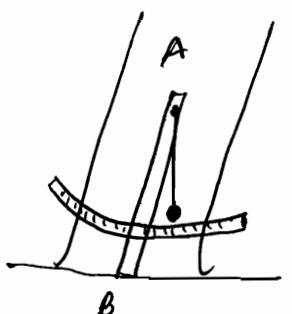
lean  
away

lean  
towards

$$AB = h = EB \frac{\sin(\alpha - \beta)}{\cos(\alpha + \theta)}$$

$$AB = EB \frac{\sin(\alpha - \beta)}{\cos(\alpha - \theta)}$$

- ① **Plumb Bob** is used to measure lean of trees

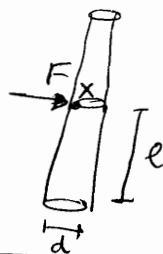
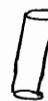


Height Classes (half of dia. classes)

- ① 1m class interval : < 15m height
- 3 m class interval : 15- 25 m height
- 5m class interval : > 25 m height

## Stem Form

- ① Metzger's Theory or Girder Theory } → Tree stem  $\leftrightarrow$  Cantilever beam  
 → Wind  $\leftrightarrow$  Bending Force  
 → Wind Pressure conveyed to lower parts in increasing measure.
- To counter the danger of tree snapping at its base, growth material distributed to reinforce the base.
- ⑤ Isolated Tree  $\Rightarrow$  larger crown  $\rightarrow$  high taper high wind
- Tree in dense Crops  $\Rightarrow$  cylindrical
- Shear stress =  $\left( \frac{32 \tau}{\pi d^3} \right)$
- $\Rightarrow d^3 \propto l$



Hence cubic Paraboloid shape

X: Form Point  
Wind Pressure estimated to be

★ Volume of cylinder  
= Basal Area \* Height

By default Form Factor

Vol. of Tree  
Vol. of cylinder

Artificial form factor

Volume of whole tree and basal area measured at breast height

Absolute Form Factor

Basal Area measured at any convenient height & Volume of tree measured above that height

② Form Factor \* Height of tree  
= Form Height

Form Factor

Form ratios

Form Quotient  
diameter

Mid-Diameter  
 $D \cdot B \cdot H$

Normal Form Quotient

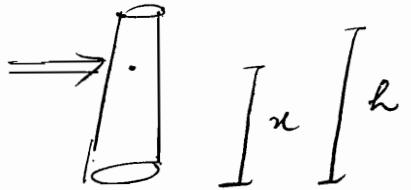
Absolute Form Quotient  
For  $h = 2x$   
Normal Form Factor  
= 1  
⇒ discrepancy

Diameter at one-half of its height  
above the breast height

$D \cdot B \cdot H$ .

Volume of whole tree  
and Basal Area  
at  
height ( $\frac{1}{n}$ ) fraction  
of total height

⑤ Form point ratio =  $\left( \frac{\text{Height of Form Point}}{\text{Total Height of Tree}} \right)$



$$= \left( \frac{x}{h} \right)$$

⑥ Sometimes trees is estimated as



Cone :  $y = kx$

Parabola :  $y^2 = kx$



Neiloid :  $y^2 = kx^3$

## Volume

- ① Root volume important for : Santalum Album  
Acacia Catechu
- ② Bark Volume important for : Acacia Arabica  
Wattles

### Commercial Volume      (Stump dia. $\frac{d}{2}$ )

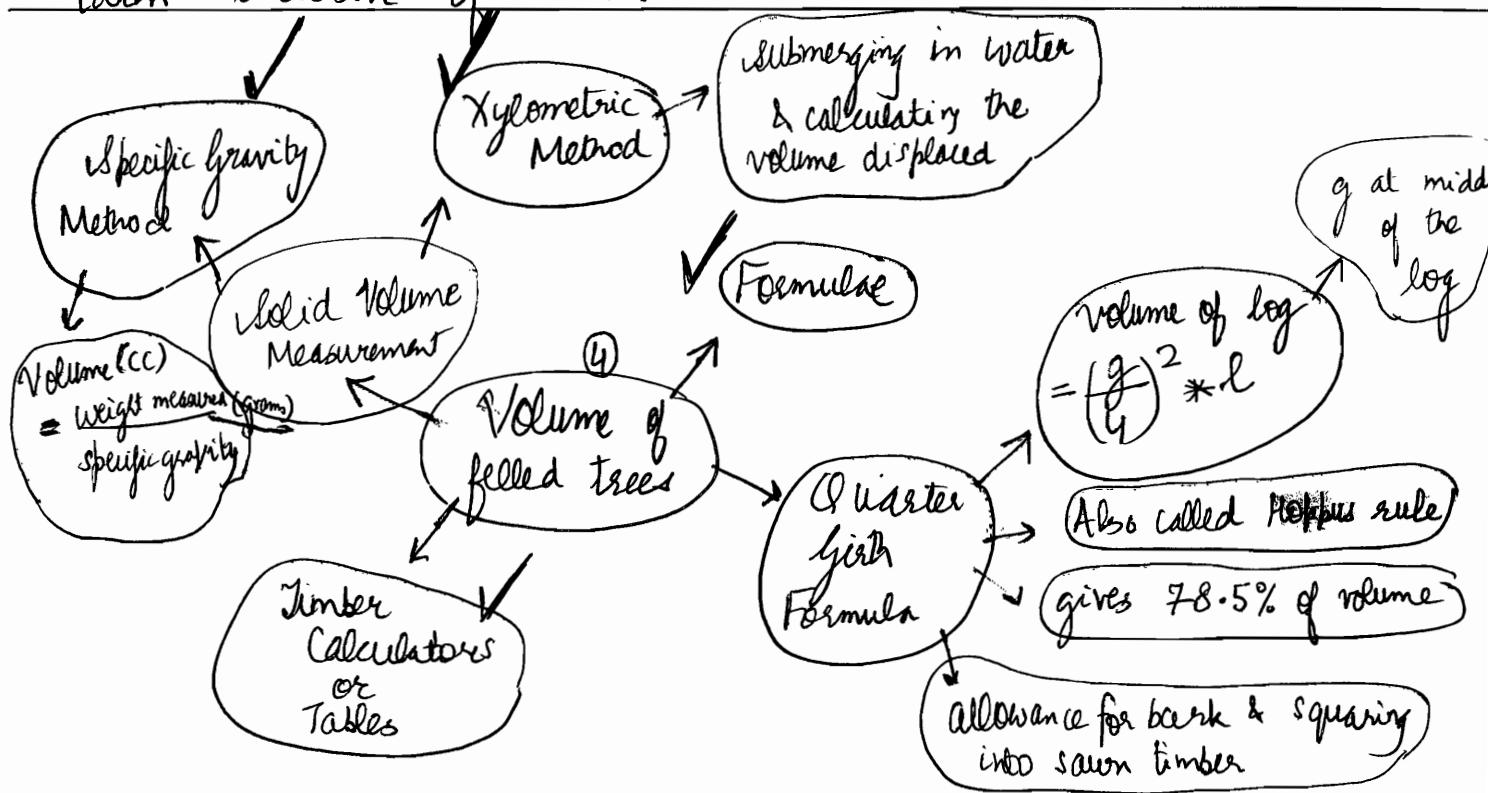
Volume of stem measured down to thin-end diameter upto which conversion is usually done. This volume excludes the volume of stump

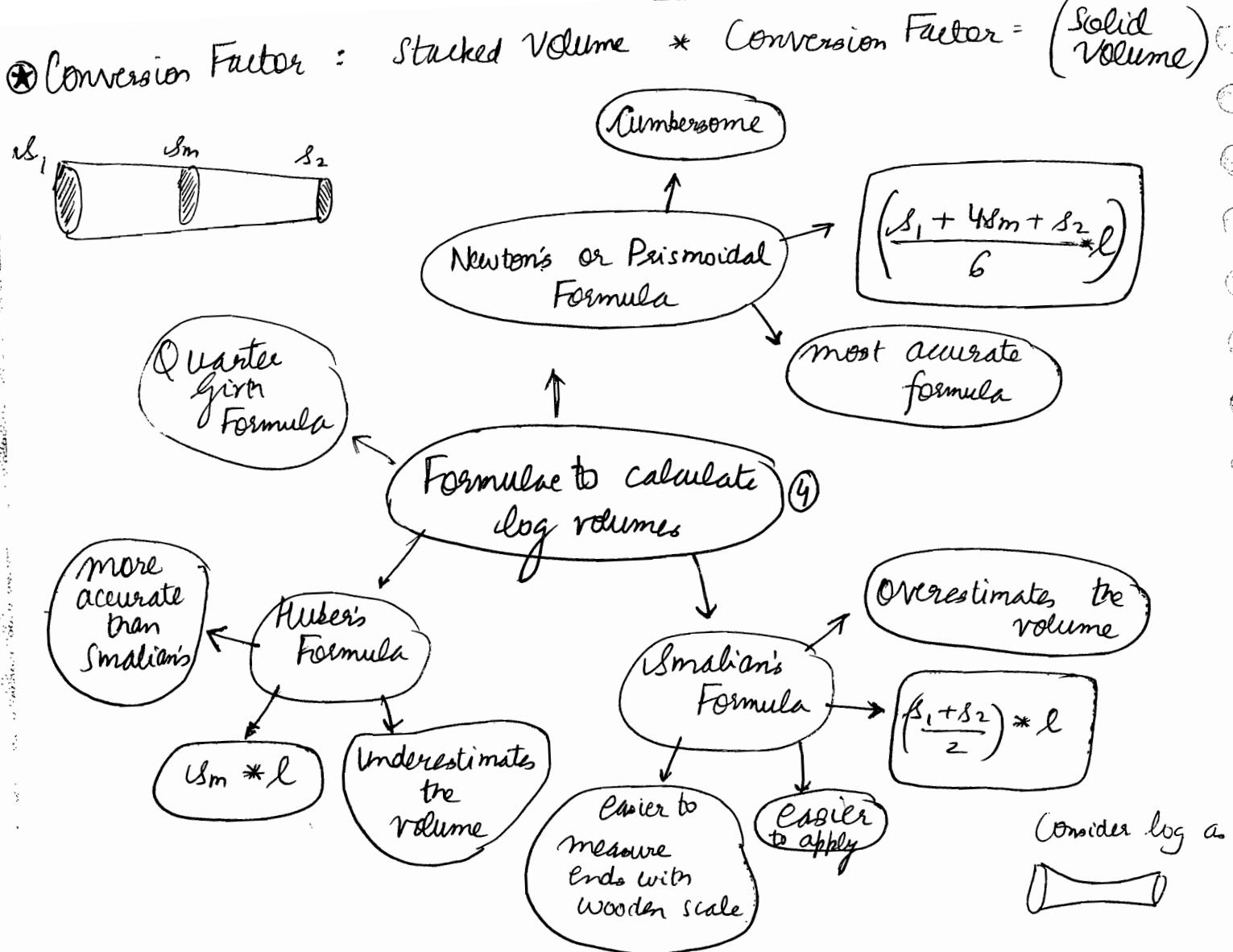
### Standard stem Timber      (Bark dia. $\frac{d}{2}$ )

Volume of the stem wood timber in round from ground level down to 20 cm diameter over bark, volume being taken exclusive of bark.

### Standard stem Small Wood

Volume of stem wood in round between 20 cm diameter over bark & 5 cm diameter over bark, volume being taken inclusive of bark.

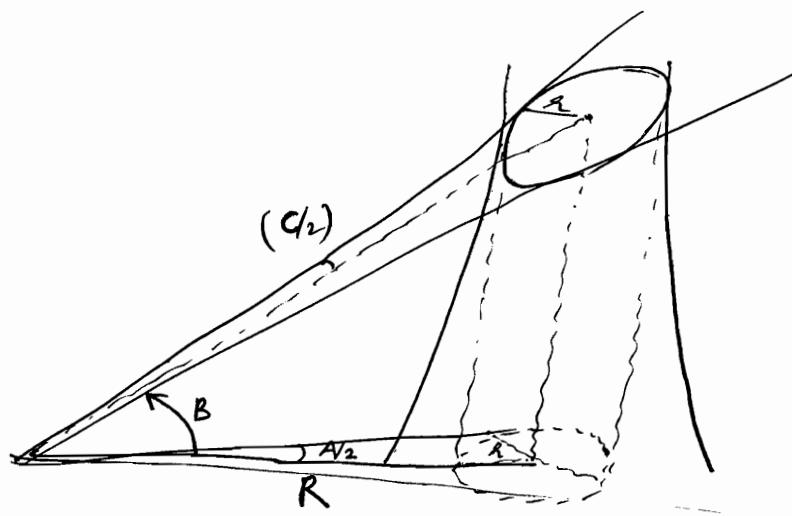




## Dendrometer

Optical instrument which is used to make diameter measurement at any point up the stem beyond the reach of forester.

A simple dendrometer measures 3 angles and from the distance from the tree, we can calculate diameter at any height

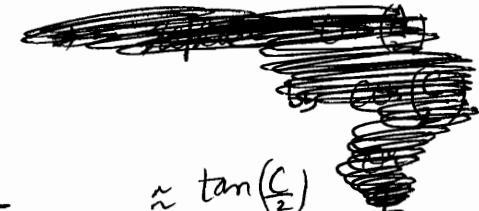


$$\text{diameter} = 2r \\ = 2R \sin\left(\frac{A}{2}\right)$$

But we do not know

It can be shown that

$$\tan\left(\frac{A}{2}\right) = \frac{\tan\left(\frac{C}{2}\right)}{\cos B}$$



$$\text{also } \sin\left(\frac{A}{2}\right) = \frac{\tan\left(\frac{C}{2}\right)}{\sqrt{\tan^2\left(\frac{C}{2}\right) + \cos^2 B}}$$

$$\approx \frac{\tan\left(\frac{C}{2}\right)}{\cos B}$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{diameter} = \frac{2R \tan(C_1)}{\sqrt{\tan^2(C_1) + \cos^2 B}} \approx 2R \tan(C_1) \sec B$$

3 variable table:  
most accurate but  
never used as it's  
very difficult to prepare  
& use

Variables include diameter,  
height & form

d.t.h : most imp.  
variable

Intended Application,  
Speed, Area extent,  
Accuracy,

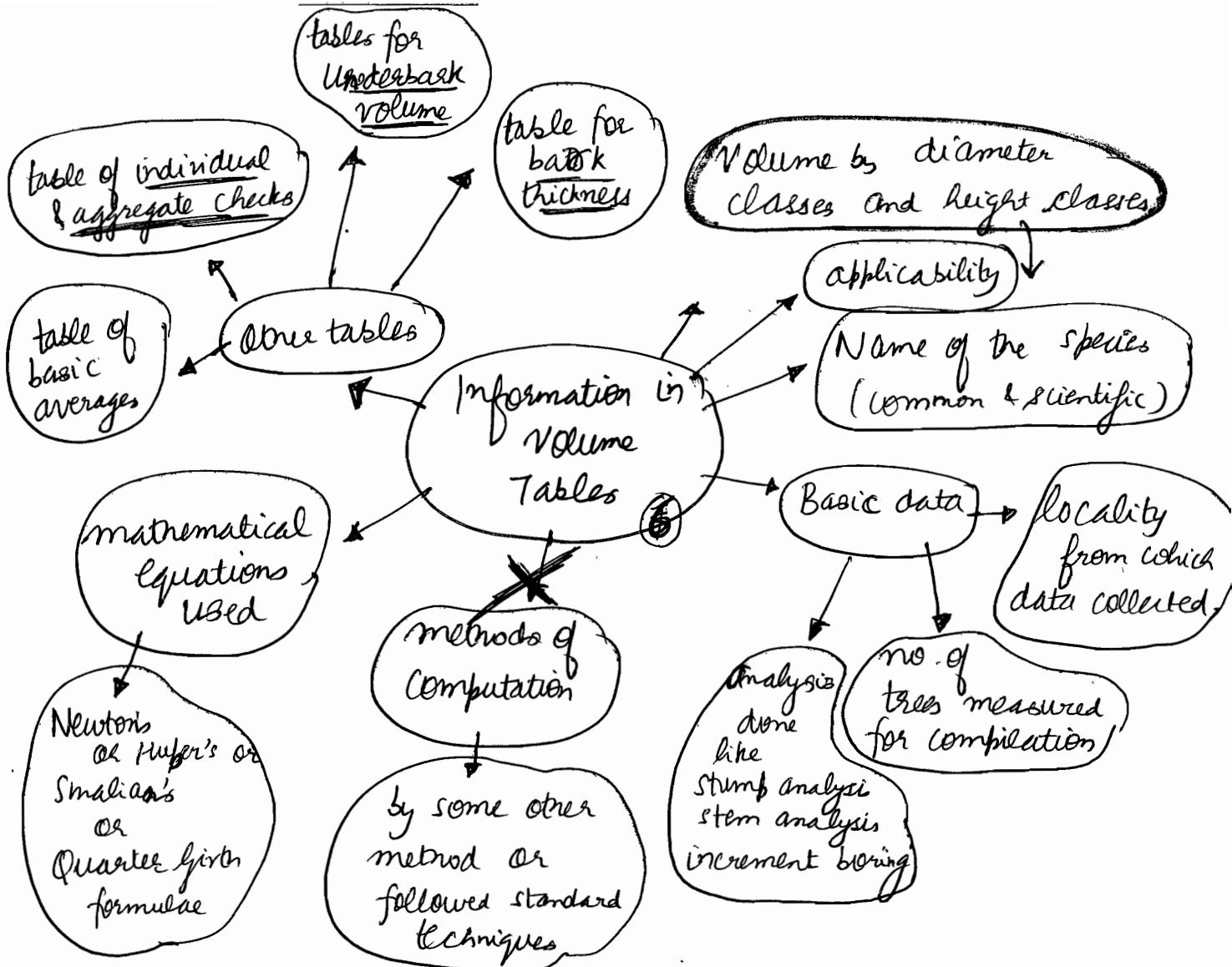
1 variable tables : easy  
to prepare, easy to  
use but least  
accurate

At least 2 variables  
for a large diverse area

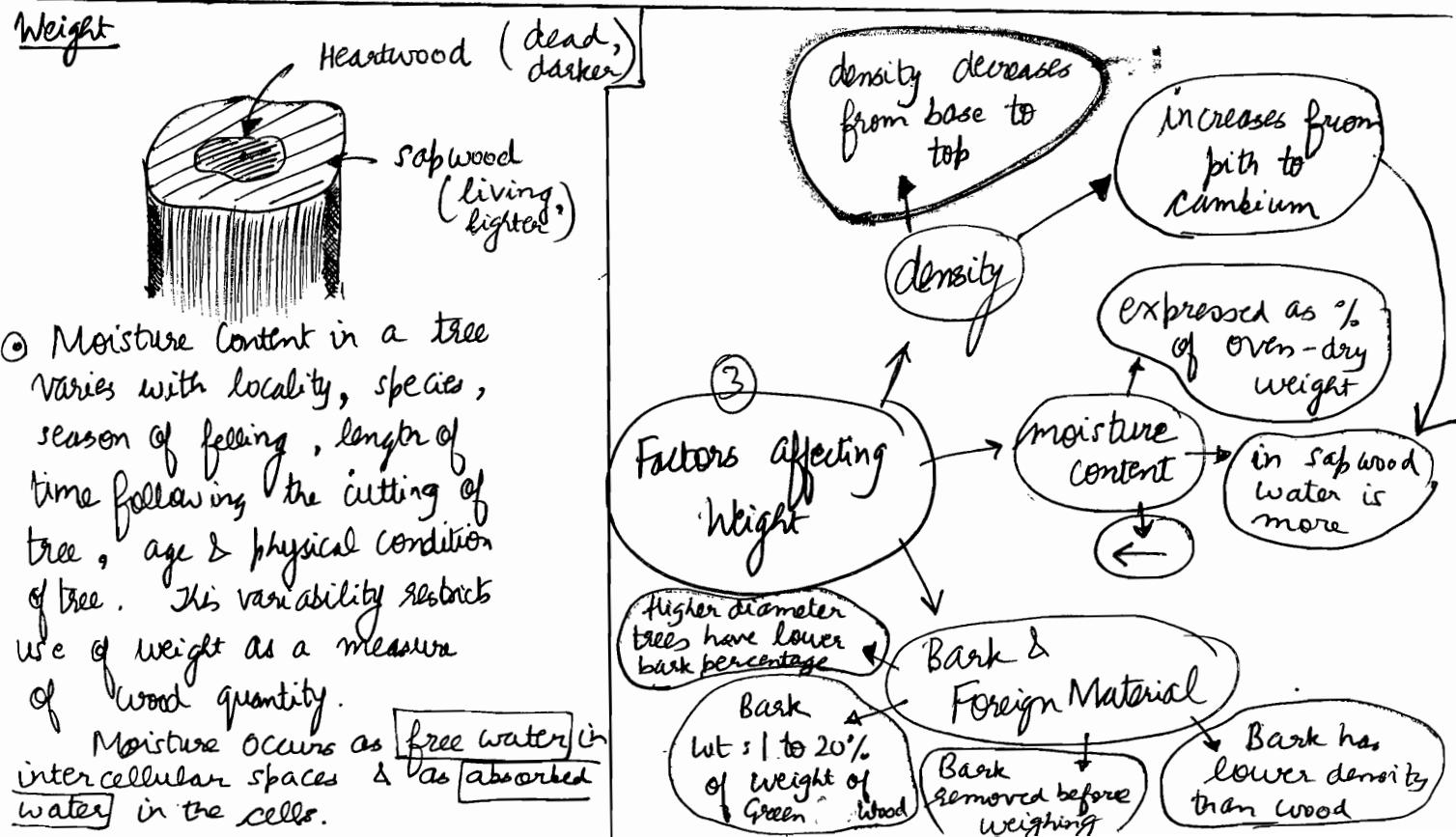
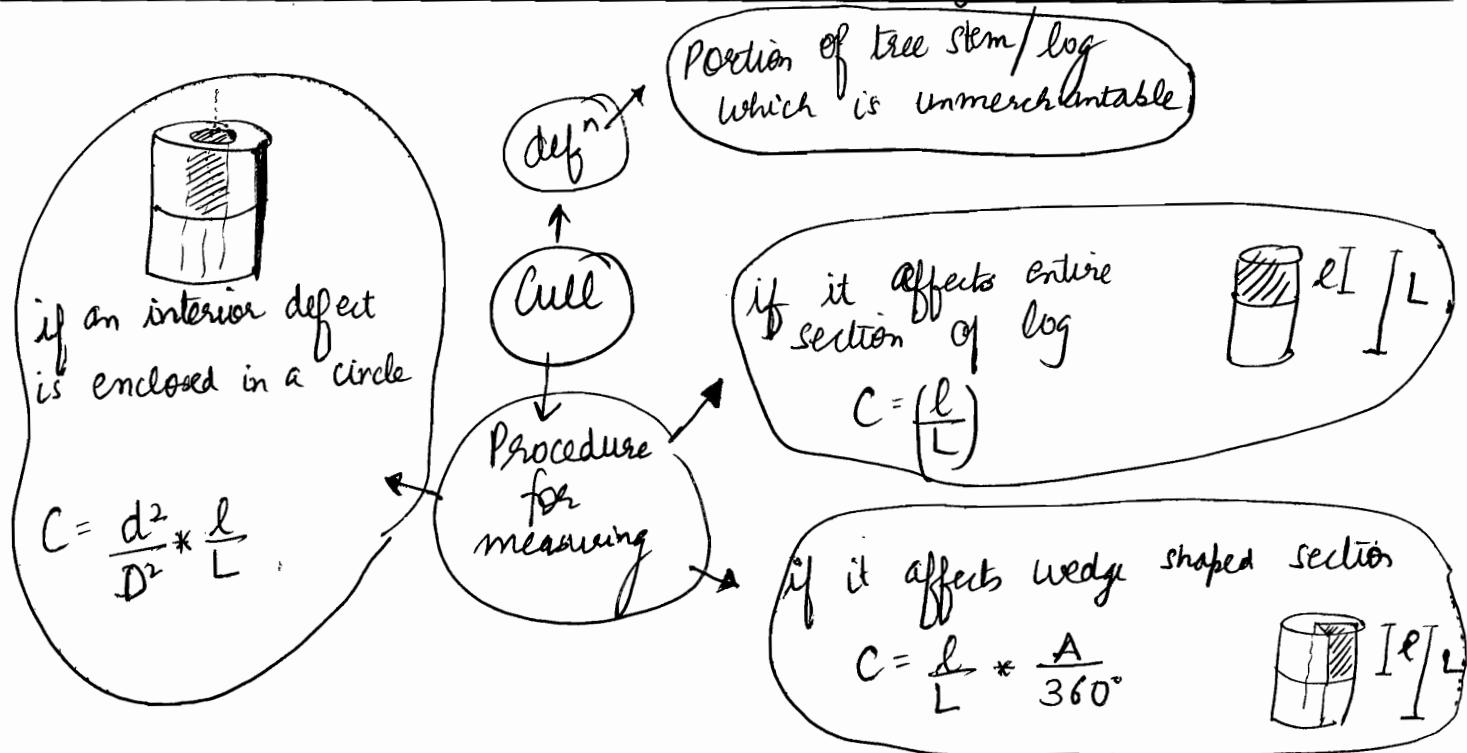
Only diameter sufficient  
for a small / restricted  
area e.g. local volume table



④ Measuring timber to determine its volume or mass : **Scaling of Timber**



- ① Aggregate Check Actual volume of trees measured should be checked against the total volume read from final curve.
- ② Height/Diameter Class Check Aggregate Check applied to each diameter & height class.
- ③ Relative Check When 2 or more tables are derived independently from same data, they should be checked against each other.  
 by local volume table      ↗ derived from data  
 derived from general volume table



**Biomass** refers to the weight of the above ground vegetative matter produced per unit area. It includes wood, branches, bark, leaves, shrubs, herbs etc. growing above the ground.

$$W = \alpha + \beta D^2 H$$

Biomass Estimation using Regression Equation

In fire wood estimation, usually measurements are done in earlier stages instead of dbh, diameter and girth are measured 50 cm above ground level

Trees measured during dormant stage i.e. winter

Trees grouped in diameter & girth classes

Good sample trees  $\approx 30$  are selected

Measurement of girth at 50cm, tree height

In case of multi-stemmed shrubs, girth of tallest shoot at 50 cm is measured & no. of shoots multiplied

Sum of all weights is total biomass of tree

Tree is felled and separated into main stem, branch wood, leaves and each portion weighed separately

Age

Count the rings on stump and add the estimated period the tree would have taken to grow up to stump height

Stump analysis

Determination of Age of Felled Tree

But there are incidents of false rings

In certain years of low growth or defoliator attack, ring formation may not take place

There might be closed-formed rings

difficult to count

rings that do not run right round the tree

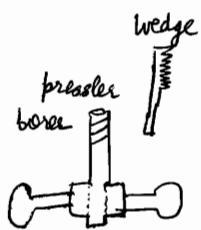
$b_1$ : growth per unit diameter per year during 1<sup>st</sup> 2 periodic measurements

$b_2$ : " " " period between 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> periodic measurements

$$\frac{\Delta d}{\text{start}} = \left( \frac{1}{b_1 s} \right); s = \frac{\log b_1 - \log b_2}{\log d_2 - \log d_1}$$

$b_1$ : growth per unit diameter per year

making 3 Periodic Measurements



Small trees bored upto pit while bigger trees are bored for 5-10 rings

Presler's Increment Borer

advisable to seal the bore with sterilized wood to prevent subsequent damage to wood

Regression equation b/w Age & diameter, girth

Mathematical relationships

there might be cutting-up operations

From existing records

takes few years for regeneration

Determination of Age of Standing Trees

General appearance

Older trees have smooth & light Coloured Bark

Conical crown in early age, then become circular

Older trees have less taper

Younger trees have rough cracked bark

- (1) Age is known either by  
 (2) 3 Periodic measurements  
 (2) Available diameter Age Curves

### Growth

Obtaining rotation age

effect of adverse or favourable factors on diameter increment

Analysis of stump cross section by measuring annual rings

Increment Boring

Boring of stem with Presler's Increment to determine age and diameter increment

Used to prepare local volume tables

Aim is to estimate average rate of diameter, height and volume increment.

Determination of growth of trees with annual rings

Stem Analysis

Obtaining rotation age by analysis of age/diameter relationship

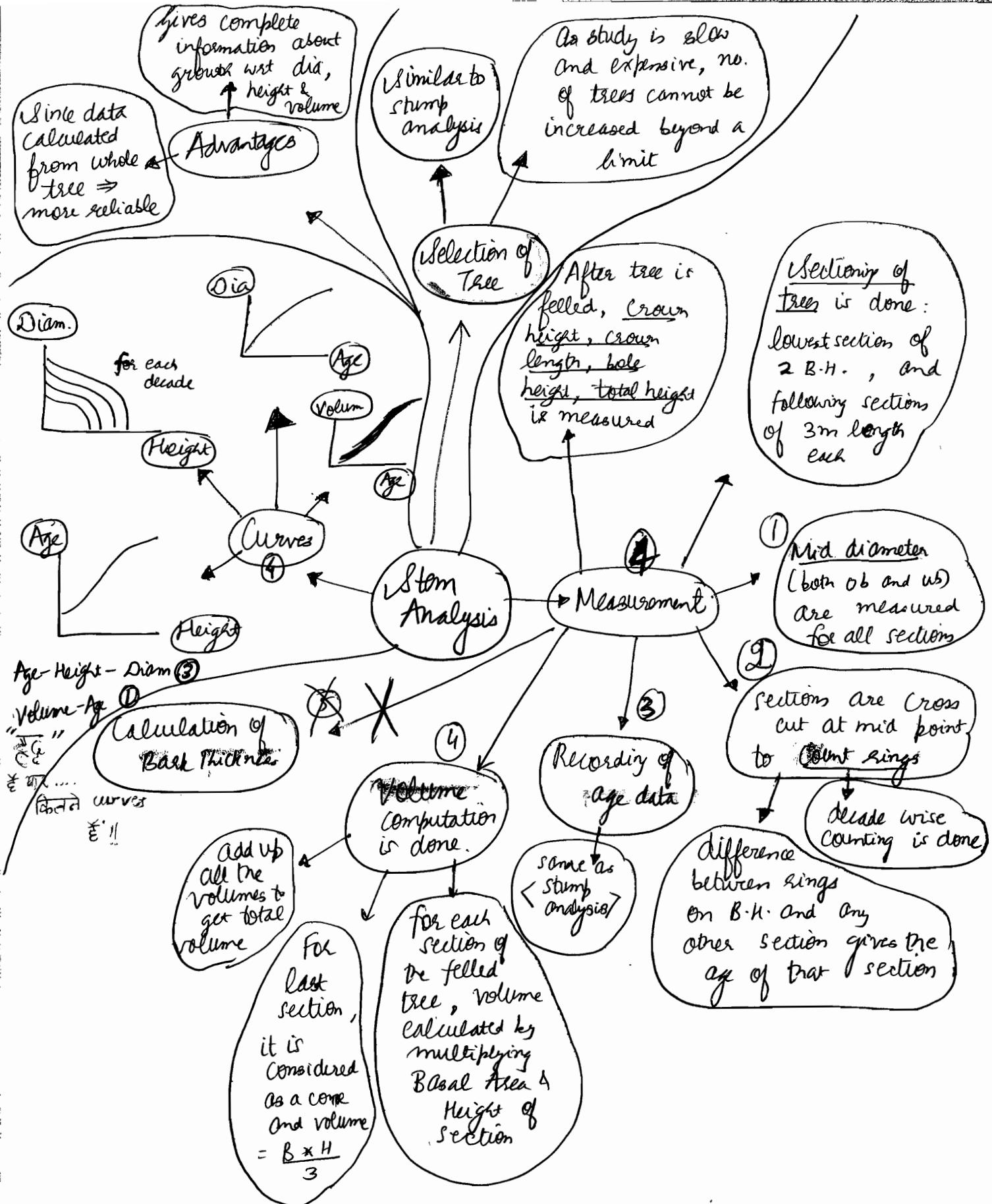
Aim is to estimate the age of the tree & its past rate of diameter & basal area growth

Analysis of complete stem by measuring annual rings at diff. cross sections

- ① linear growth due to original tissue or primary meristem.
- radial growth due to xylem or secondary meristem.  
(colour & variation)
- ② seasonal variations in the growth are responsible for formation of tree rings. They are more prominent in temperate forests. Spring wood is lighter and more porous while summer wood is darker and denser. Thus a pattern of concentric rings appears across a cross section.

Few trees in tropical forest like Acacia Catechu and Tectona grandis show annual growth rings.





(Q) Diameter of a sal tree in 1970 was 30 cm, in 1975 : 33 cm, in 1980 : 36 cm. Find age of tree in 1970.

A Typical 3 periodic measurement example.

$$p_1 = \frac{3}{30 \times 5} = 0.02 ; p_2 = \frac{3}{33 \times 5} = 0.018 ; S = \frac{\log p_1 - \log p_2}{\log d_2 - \log d_1} = 1.1$$

$$\therefore \text{Age} = \frac{1}{S p_1} = \frac{1}{1.1 \times 0.02} \approx 45 \text{ years in 1970}$$

## Increment Boring

- ① Few trees of each diameter class are selected.



- ② For each tree,  $d \cdot b \cdot h$  are recorded (both ob & us). Tree is bored at 2 ends of diameter 1 to axis to core.



length of outermost 5 rings of one end of each of the 2 diameter are recorded.

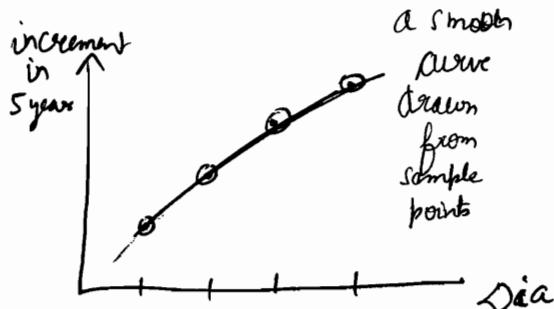
- ③ Diameter vs Increment Curve is drawn.

- ④ From the smooth curve above,

We obtain initial diameter, increment, final diameter  
 $(D_1)$                                   ( $i$ )                                   $(D_2 = D_1 + 2i)$

then process repeated taking  $D_2$  as initial diameter.

- ⑤ Final diameters are plotted against equidistant point corresponding to age in years (5 rings  $\Rightarrow$  5 years). Thus we get, from diameter - increment curve, an age - diameter curve.

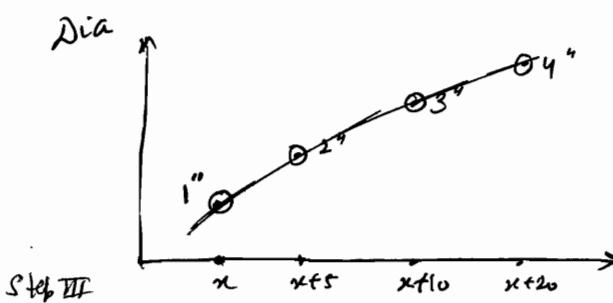


$D_1$	increment	$D_{final} (D_1 + i^{2*})$
1	1'	1"
2 (= 1")	2'	2"
3 (= 2")	3'	3"
4 (= 3")	4'	4"

Step I

Step II

random point selected from previous curve. From  $D_1$ ,  $D_{final}$  are calculated

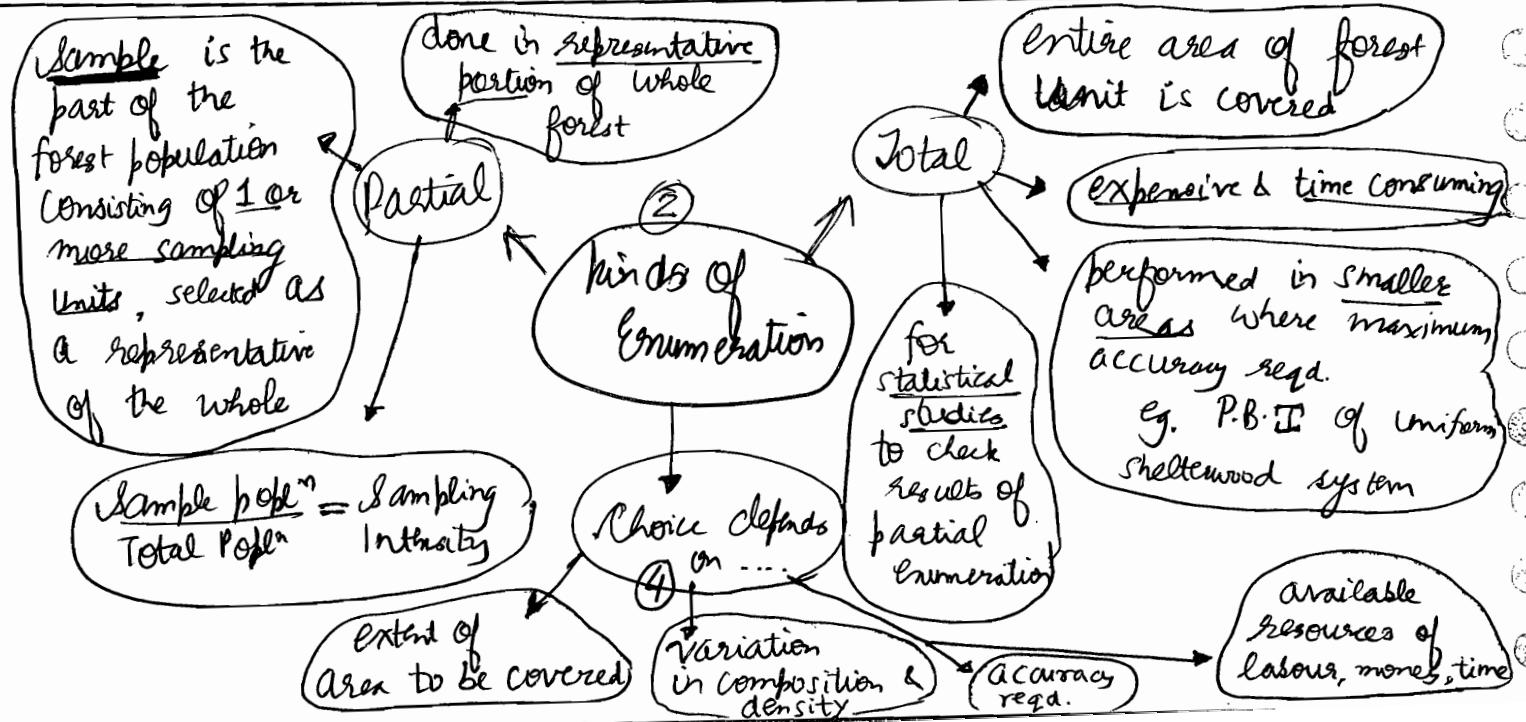
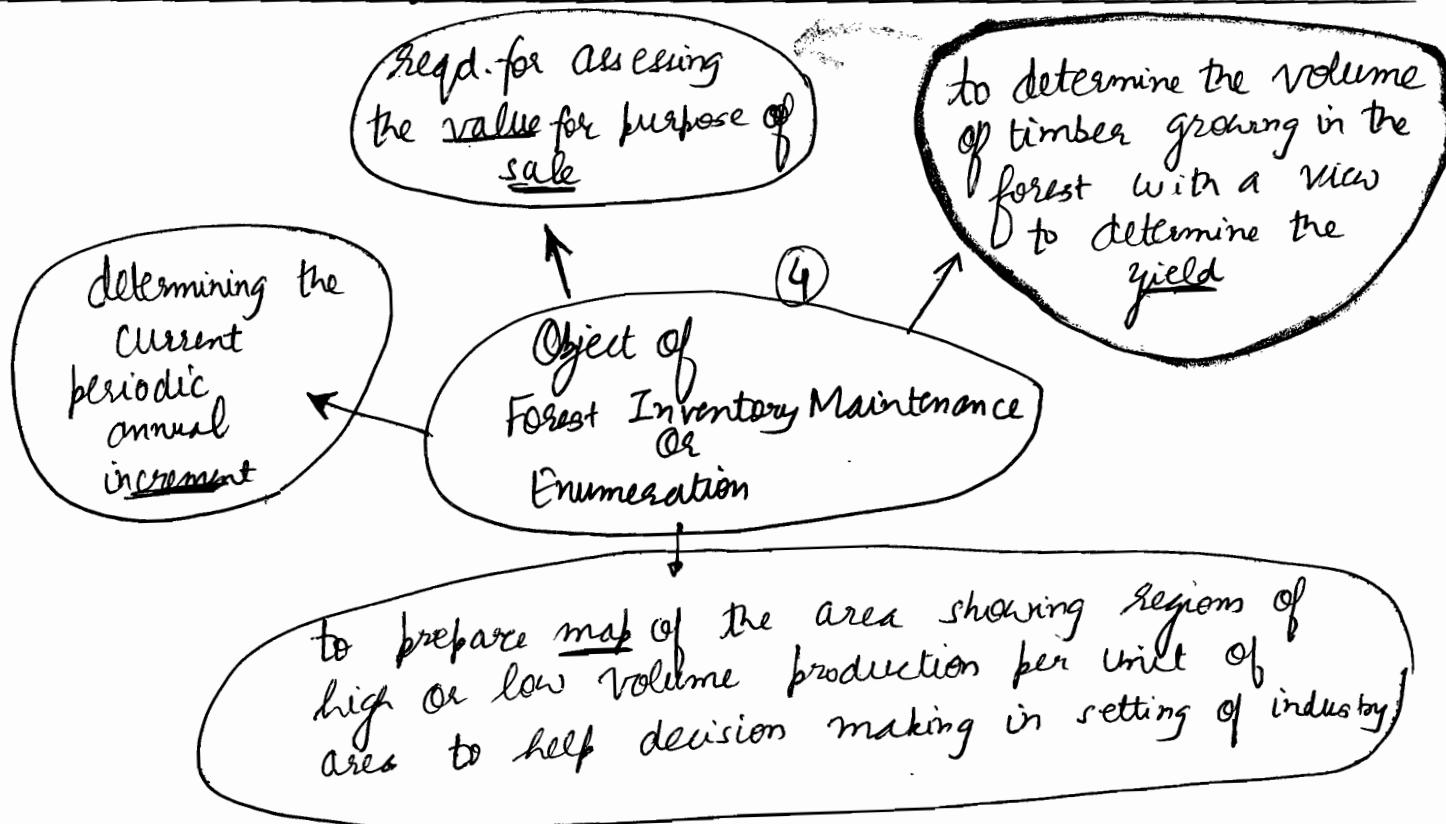


$\rightarrow D_{final}$  are plotted against equidistant (separated by 5 units) points. Time Axis is corrected to shift by no. of plotted diameters needed to reach lowest

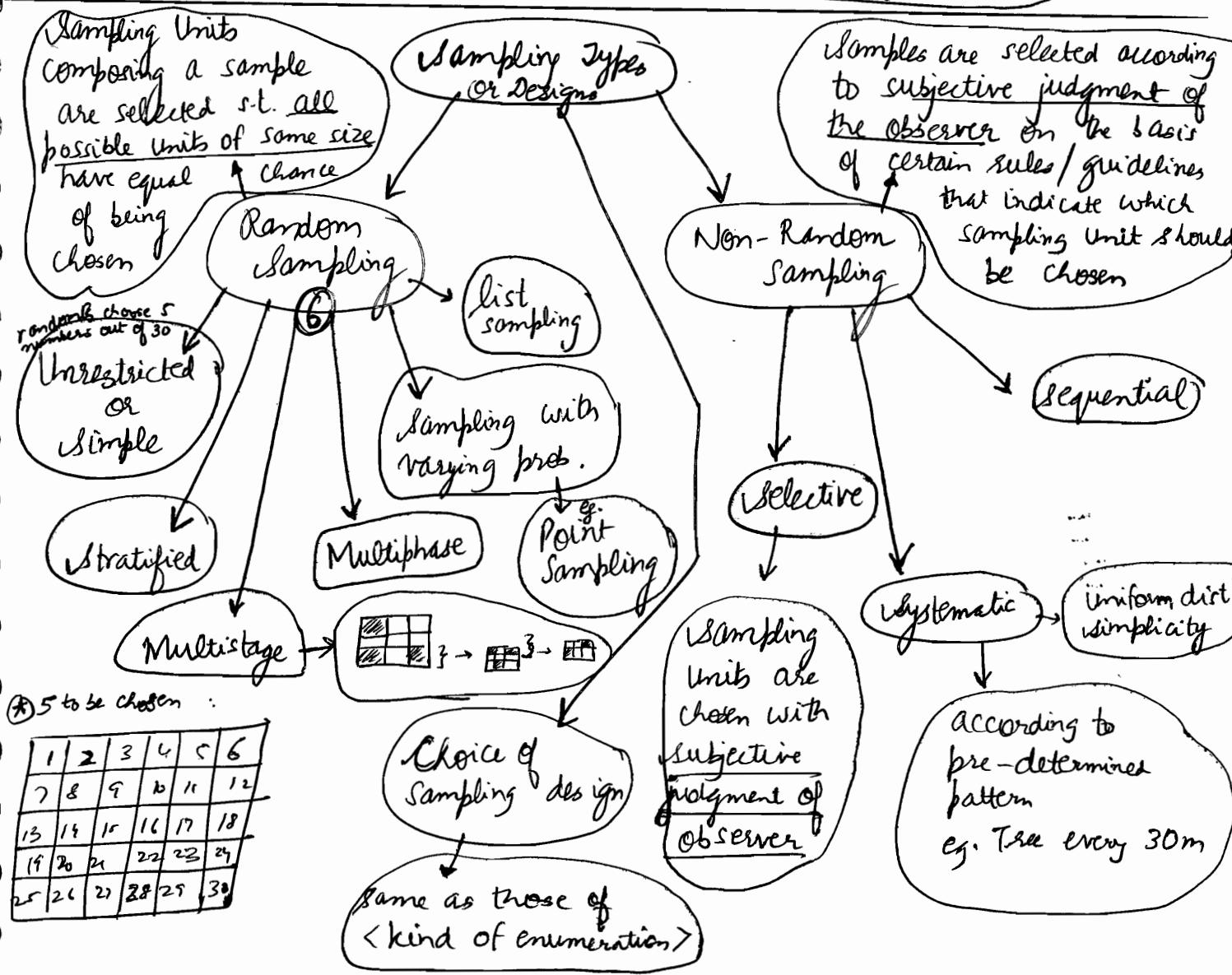
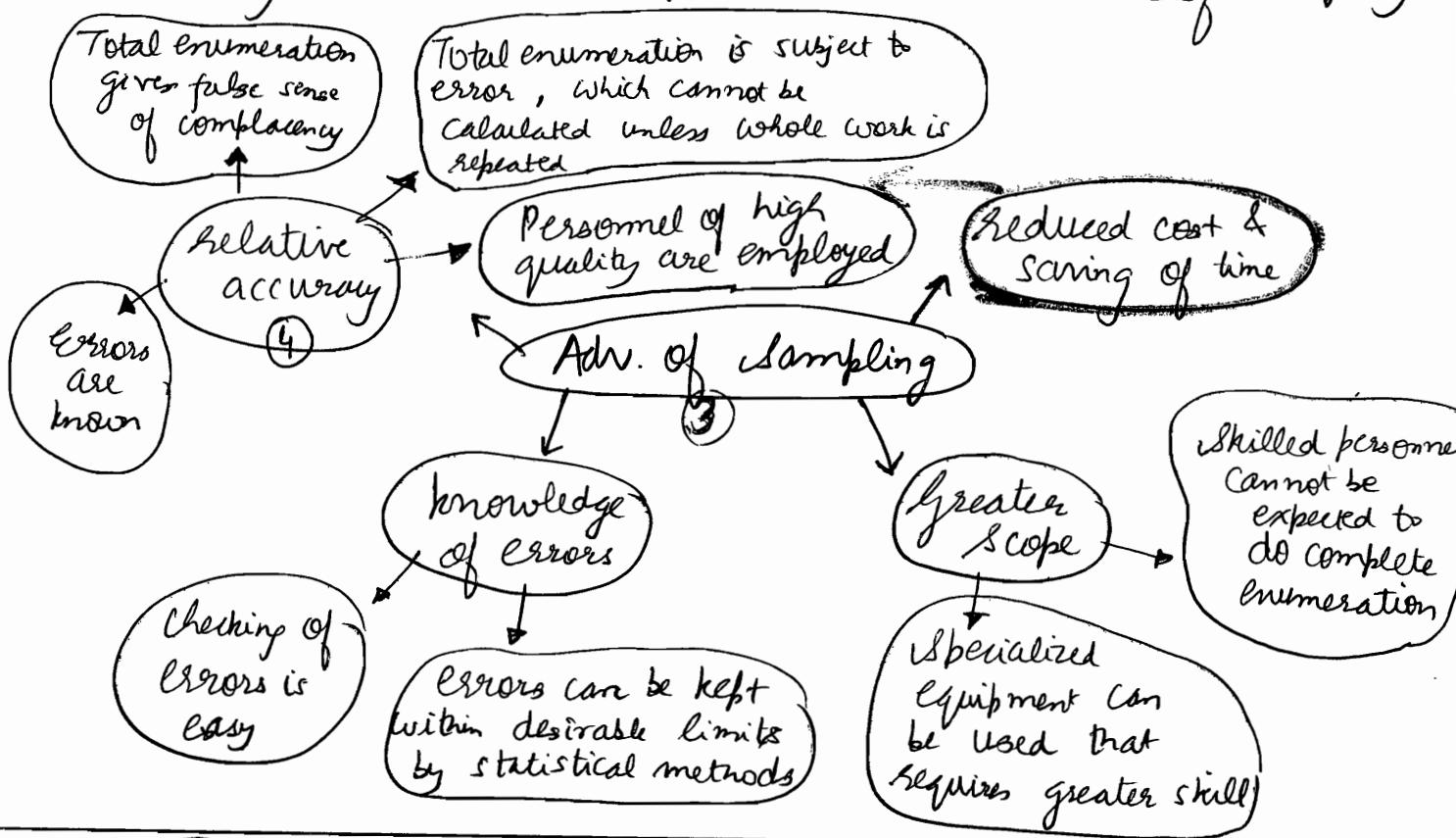
## Forest Inventory

**Forest inventory** is the tabulated tree information arranged in hierarchical order. It's a quantitative description of quantity, quality, diameter distribution of forest trees and the characteristics of forest land.

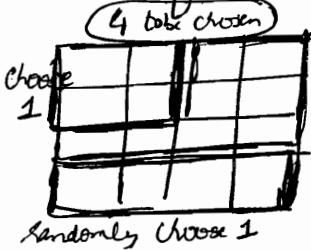
"**Forestry Inventory**" is synonymous with the term "**Enumeration**" (Counting of trees in a forest crop & their classification by species, size, condition etc.)



- Sampling Units are subdivisions of the sample area.
- Record of each sampling unit is kept separately for working out statistical parameters like "error of sampling" etc.



Stratified : Population is divided into homogenous sub-populations & then from each of them, according to their population size, simple random sampling is done.



Multistage Sampling : Enumeration work is divided into multiple phases and for each phase same or different samples can be used.

e.g. to determine no. of Bamboo culms in forest

→  $\phi_1$  : to determine no. of clumps per hectare

→  $\phi_2$  : to determine no. of culms per clump

### List Sampling

Compartment	size	Area Total
1	20	20
2	10	30
3	15	45
4	25	70
5	36	100

: Another form of sampling with varying probability. e.g. Hierarchical Order (by size) of sampling units : taking cumulative size & then simple random sampling from cumulative list.

Choose 2 random numbers from 1 to 70 and we get (usually) 2 randomly selected compartments

### Sequential Sampling

: Aim is to achieve the average of total enumeration by convergence.

→ No. of observations in sample is not predetermined

→ Sampling is stopped when the desired precision is reached. Confidence interval goes on decreasing at each stage of sampling.

→ Each sample, of course, contains the sampling units of previous sample.



desired confidence interval

## kind of sampling units :

- 1) those having a fixed area
- 2) those having only points

arise from fact that fraction of forest is enumerated and result applied to whole forest

$$\text{Error} = \frac{M_{\text{forest}} - M_{\text{sample}}}{M_{\text{sample}}}$$

where  $M$  is mean value

Sampling Errors

can be minimized by proper size, number & distn of sampling units

Errors in forest inventory

Non Sampling Errors

measurement errors

faulty computation

instrumental errors

bias of enumerator

POMIL

Plains  $\approx 5\%$

Typical Sampling Intensity

Hills  $\approx 20\%$

From general statistics, smaller sampling units are more efficient than larger ones b'coz the larger the no. of units observed, better the precision

Fixed Area Sampling Units

reduced by training of staff

Sampling Intensity

should be such that sampling error  $< 10\%$

Factor on which it depends

accuracy reqd.

standard shapes like rectangle, square, circle or polygonal

most common: rectangular areas demarcated by 4 corners

Plots

suited to plantation crops raised in lines as border trees can be minimized

Shapes of fixed area sampling units

difficult to maintain constant intervals in hills

Strips

20m wide strips laid across the forest from 1 end to another, at regular intervals

Topographical Units

best shape for hills where others cannot be used

Unit whose boundaries are predominantly topographical

natural features like river, ridge, stream etc

Object of inventory

Type of forest

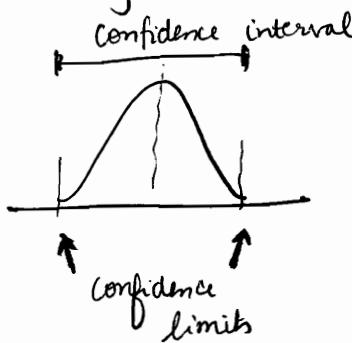
kind of sampling to be used

time & money available

Accuracy : size of the total error of the inventory and includes error due to bias.

Precision : refers only to sampling error and excludes error due to bias.

∴ An inventory can be precise without being accurate if error due to bias is present. An accurate inventory is always precise.



- Estimates of the sample statistics lie in a range within which the true value is expected to lie at a given prob. The range is called confidence interval.

Principle of Point Sampling : "Counting from a random point, the no. of trees whose breast-height cross section exceeds a certain critical angle, when multiplied by a constant factor, gives an unbiased estimate of basal area per hectare".

The constant factor is dependent only on size of the chosen critical angle.

$$F = 2500 k^2$$

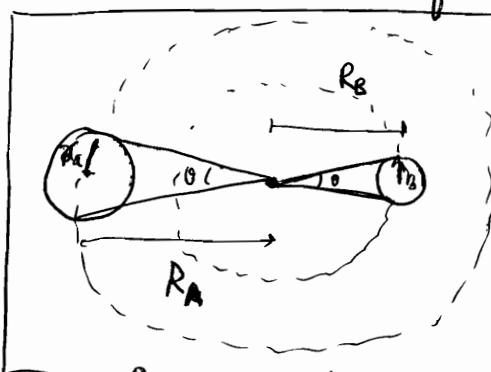
$$\text{where } k = 2 \sin\left(\frac{\theta}{2}\right)$$

$$1 \text{ hectare} = 10000 \text{ m}^2$$

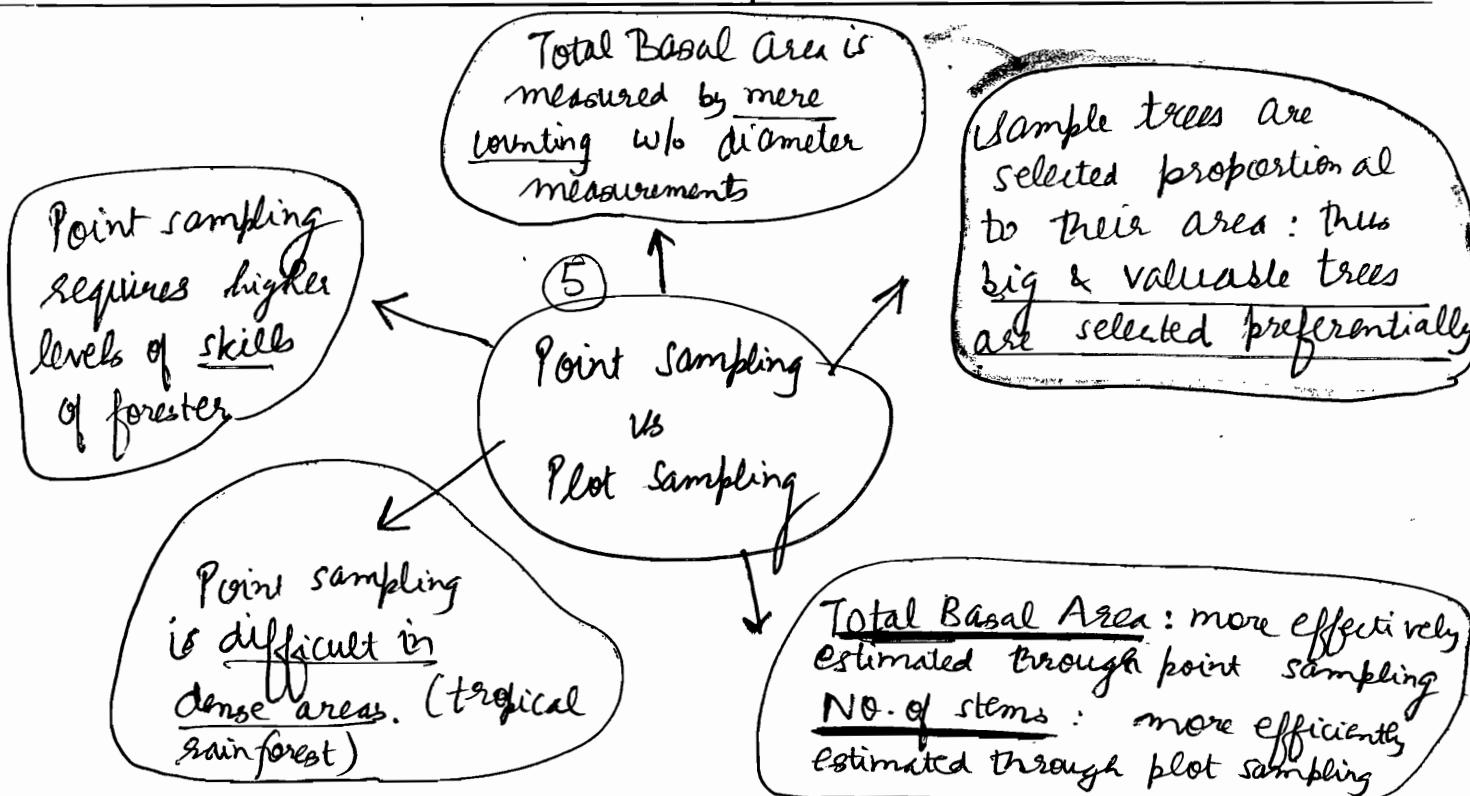
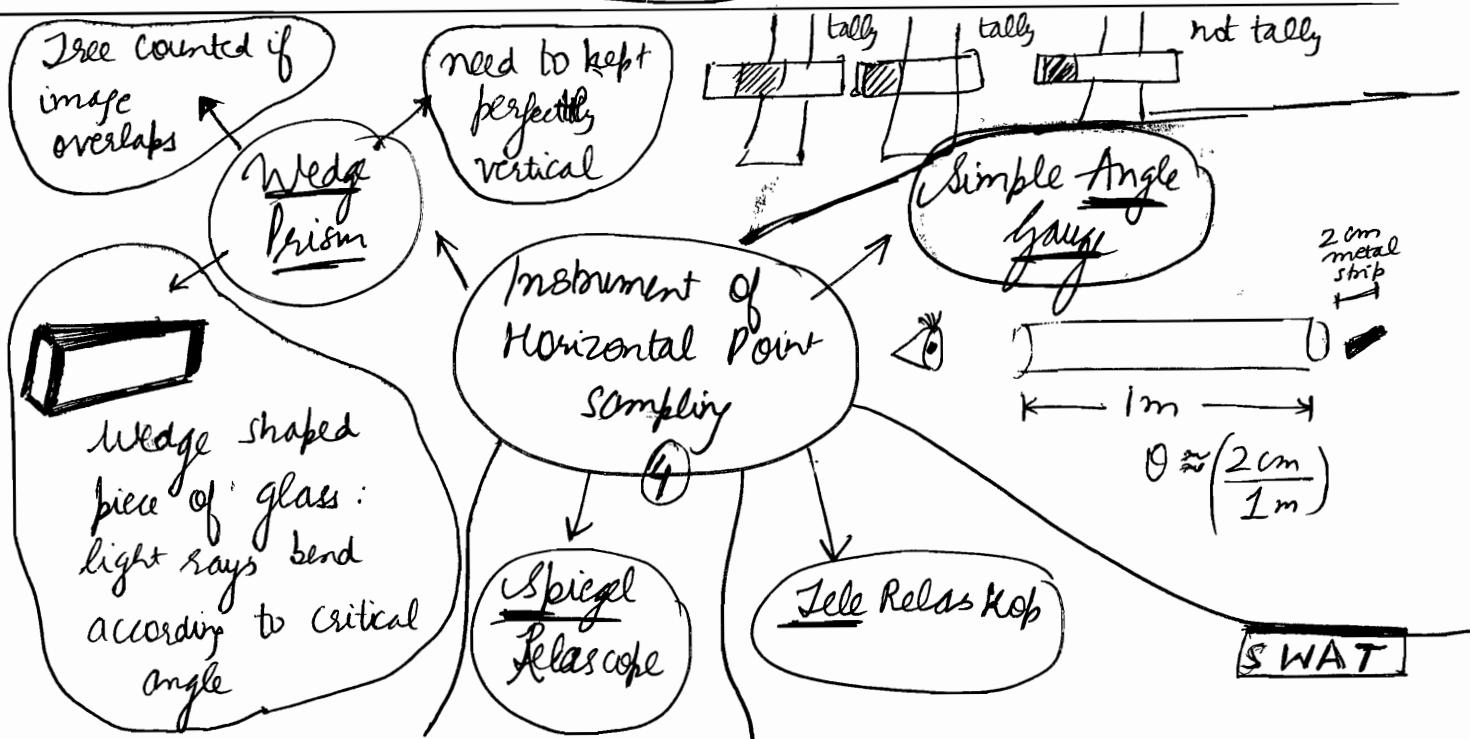
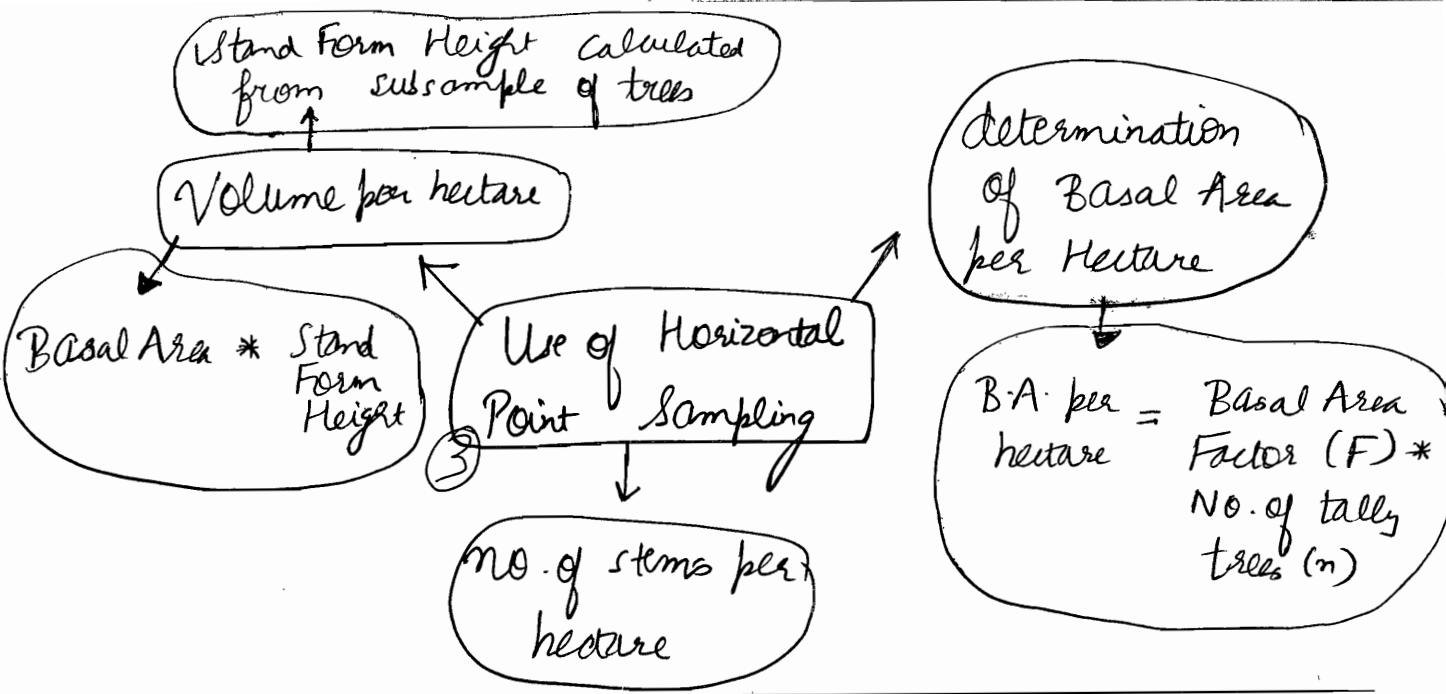
$$\text{for } F=1, \theta = 68.75^\circ$$

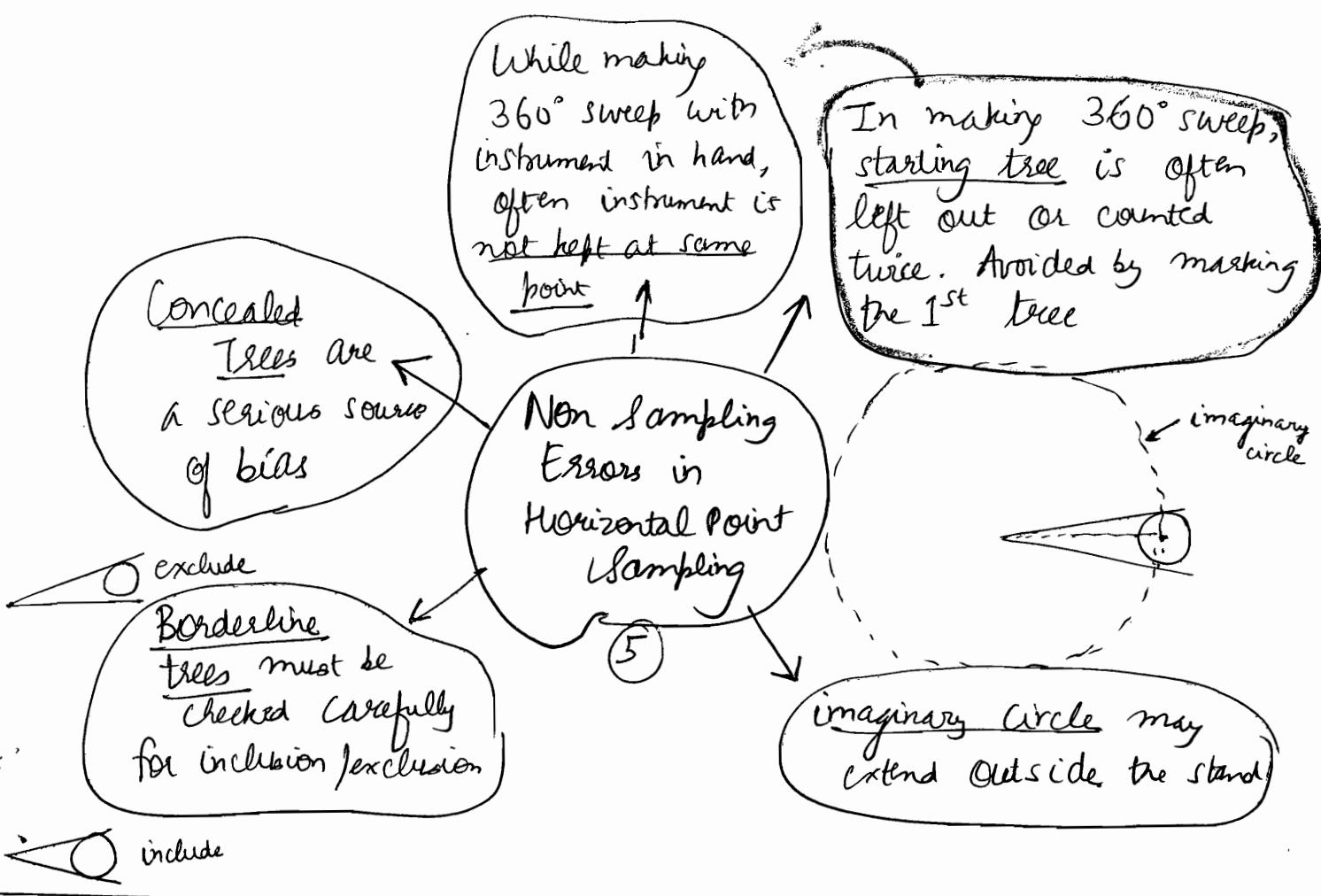
$$= 1.14^\circ \Rightarrow \frac{\text{Basal area of tree}}{\text{Area of Plot}} = \frac{\pi d_A^2}{4 \pi R_A^2}$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{Basal Area per hectare} = 2500 k^2 = \frac{F}{\text{BASAL AREA FACTOR}} = \frac{(k^2)}{4}$$

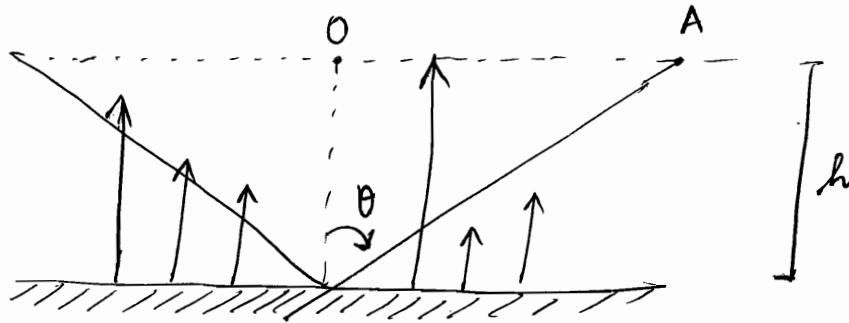


$$2 \sin\left(\frac{\theta}{2}\right) = \frac{d_A}{R_A} = \frac{d_B}{d_A} = k (\text{say})$$





- Vertical Point Sampling : All trees appearing taller than a critical angle are counted.  
(to determine mean height of the stand)



Comptometer  
Principle

$h$  is the mean height of the stand

$$OA = h \tan \theta$$

$$\text{Area of cone base} = \pi (OA)^2 = \frac{\pi h^2 \tan^2 \theta}{10000} \text{ hectares}$$

where avg. height =  $h$

If no. of trees per hectare =  $N$

$\Rightarrow$  No. of trees in this area - of height  $arg = h$

$$\text{Tally} = n = \left( \frac{N \pi h^2 \tan^2 \theta}{10000} \right)$$

$$\frac{N \pi h^2 \tan^2 \theta}{10000}$$

$$\Rightarrow h = \sqrt{\frac{10000 n}{N \pi \tan^2 \theta}}$$

## Yield Table

Stand structure refers to distribution and representation of age and size classes of trees in a stand.

Broadly, of two types : Even aged

Uneven aged

age class  
↳ yield table

size class  
↳ stand table

Balanced Forest refers to a stand where the no. of stems

by diameter class decrease in constant geometric progression

e.g. by De liocourt's Quotient

$$\frac{N_1}{N_2} = \frac{N_2}{N_3} = \frac{N_3}{N_4} = \dots = q$$

possible only  
when stand is  
small

Complete  
Enumeration

European Method

Periodic growth ( $I$ ) =  $V_2 + V_e - V_1$

Volume at 2<sup>nd</sup>  
inventory

Volume  
removed in  
the period

Volume at  
1<sup>st</sup> inventory

Method of Control

Same local  
volume table used  
in both inventories

To determine Past  
growth of Stand

American  
method

(CFI)

Continuous Forest  
Inventory Method

Sampling Intensity,  
 $\approx 0.1\%$

Use of  
sample  
plots

Use of  
modern  
computing  
methods

Note that plots  
should be representative  
of whole forest i.e. they  
should undergo similar  
silvicultural treatment as  
rest of the forest

Now in order to determine future growth, 2 factors are important :

- (1) Stand density (predict)
- (2) site quality

Also called  
- Crop density  
- Density of stocking  
- Stocking

Stand density is a measure of relative completeness of tree stocking expressed as % of normal number of trees, basal area or volume.

Yardstick to measure normally is provided by yield table

For species for which yield tables do not exist (or for uneven aged crop), density should be expressed as basal area per hectare

⑥ Stand density

But an understocked/overstocked forest does not grow in some proportion as normally stocked forest.  $\Rightarrow$  correction factor is modified based on one's experience

To estimate yield or future growth of a stand from a yield table, 1<sup>st</sup> estimate density of stand, then apply correction factor to the yield table figures of future growth. (Yield Tables are prepared for fully stocked stand)

Closed = 1

Dense: > 0.6

thin: 0.4 - 0.6

open: 0.2 - 0.4

sparse: < 0.2

Closed : 1.0

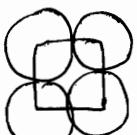
Dense : 0.75 to 1.0

thin : 0.5 to 0.75

Open : < 0.5

measure of relative completeness of canopy and expressed as decimal/fraction, taking closed canopy as unity

is square spacing



$$\frac{\text{Crown Area}}{\text{Ground Area}} = \frac{\pi}{4}$$

Canopy Density

Equilateral Triangular Spacing



$$\frac{\text{Crown Area}}{\text{Ground Area}} = \frac{\pi}{2\sqrt{3}}$$

Climate  
Veget.  
Productivity  
Index

$$C.V.P. \text{ index} = \frac{T_m}{T_m} \times \frac{P \times G}{12} \times \frac{E}{100}$$

$T_m$ : max Temp,  
 $T_m$ : min Temp

P: Precipitation  
G: Growth Period

E: evapo-  
transpiration

Site  
Factors

does not  
take into  
account soil  
factor

Measure of relative  
productive capacity of a  
site. It's a complex of  
physical & biological factors  
of an area that determine  
what forest it may carry

Site Quality

Volume

Basal Area

Tree  
Characteristics

Diameter

Height

Vegetative  
Characteristics

These reflect the  
productivity of the area

Plant  
Indicators

Based on theory that  
certain species of lower  
vegetation i.e. herbs and  
shrubs are clear  
indicators of the  
site quality & suitability  
of a site for a particular  
tree species

Characteristic of vegetation  
could be used as basis  
to determine site quality

requires  
considerable  
ecological  
knowledge to deduce  
site quality from plant  
indicators

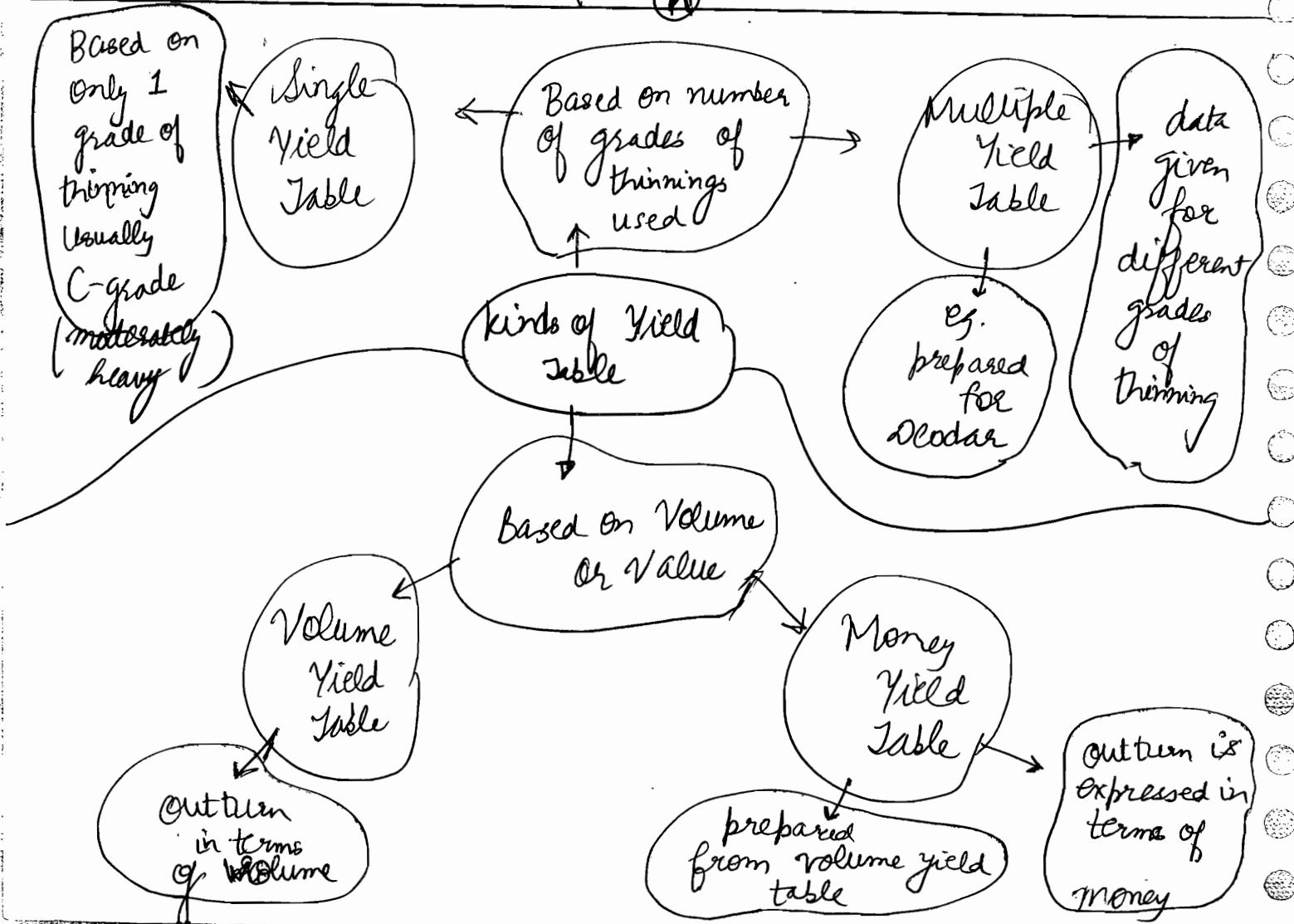
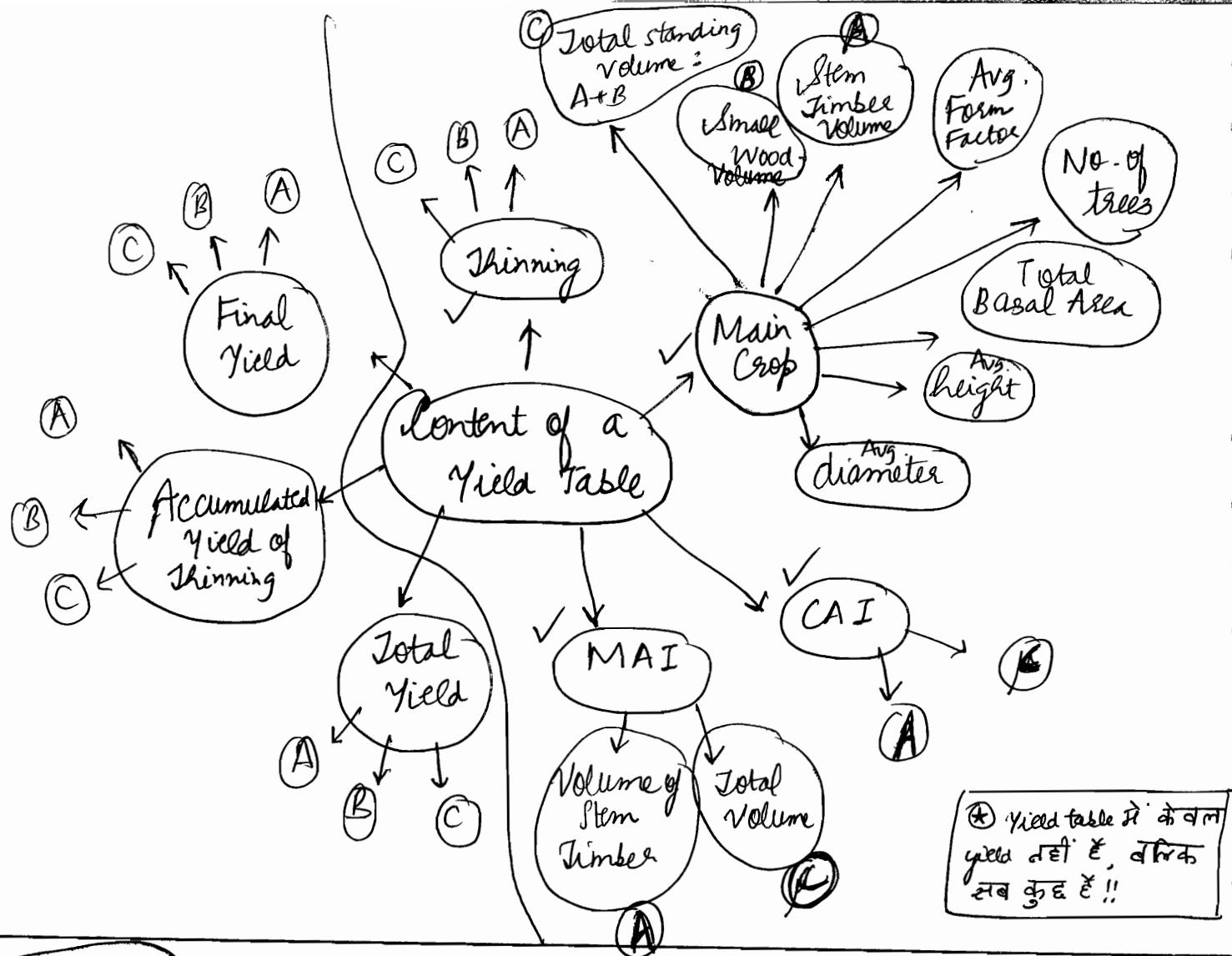
**Yield Table** is a tabular statement which summarizes per unit  
area, all the essential data related to development of a  
fully <sup>①</sup>stocked and regularly <sup>②</sup>thinned even-aged crop at  
<sup>③</sup>periodic intervals. It gives all the quantitative information  
regarding development of a crop.

In India, Yield Tables give information by site  
quality per unit area basis at interval of 5 or 10 years.

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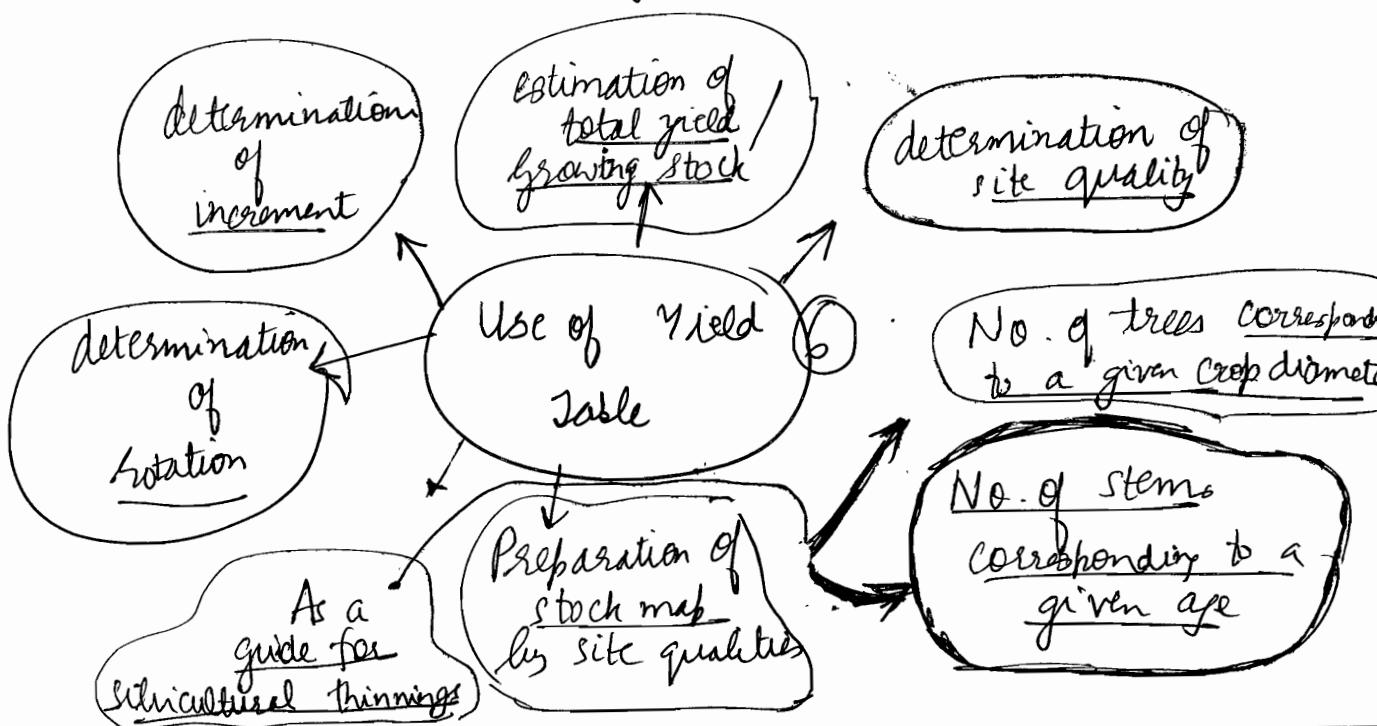
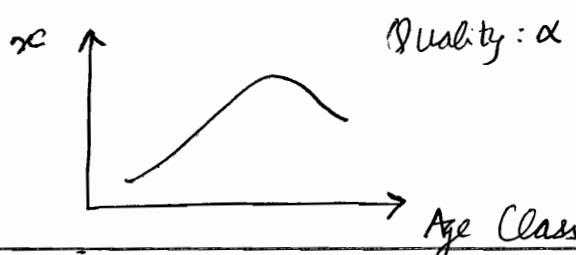
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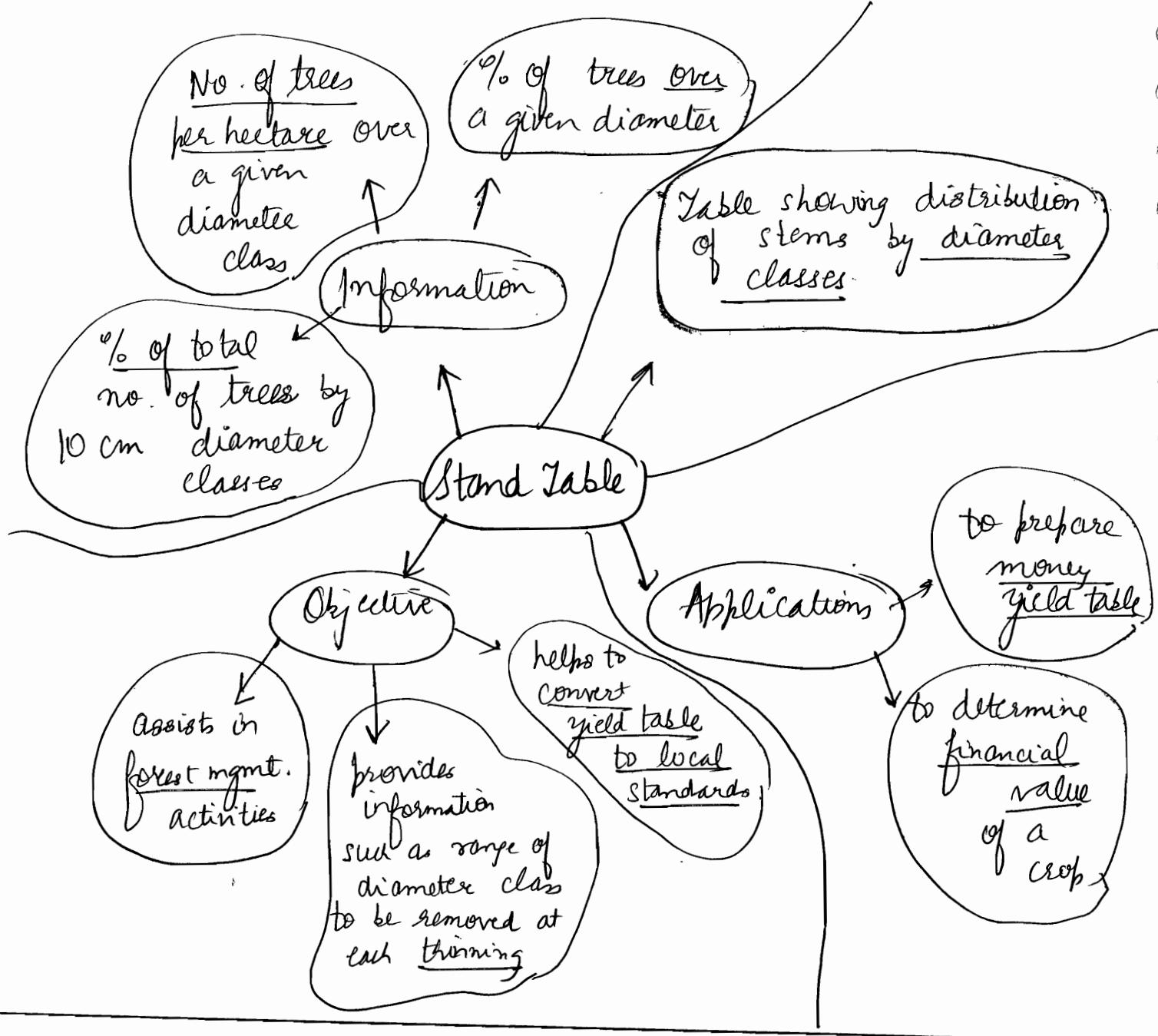
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## Preparation of Yield Table

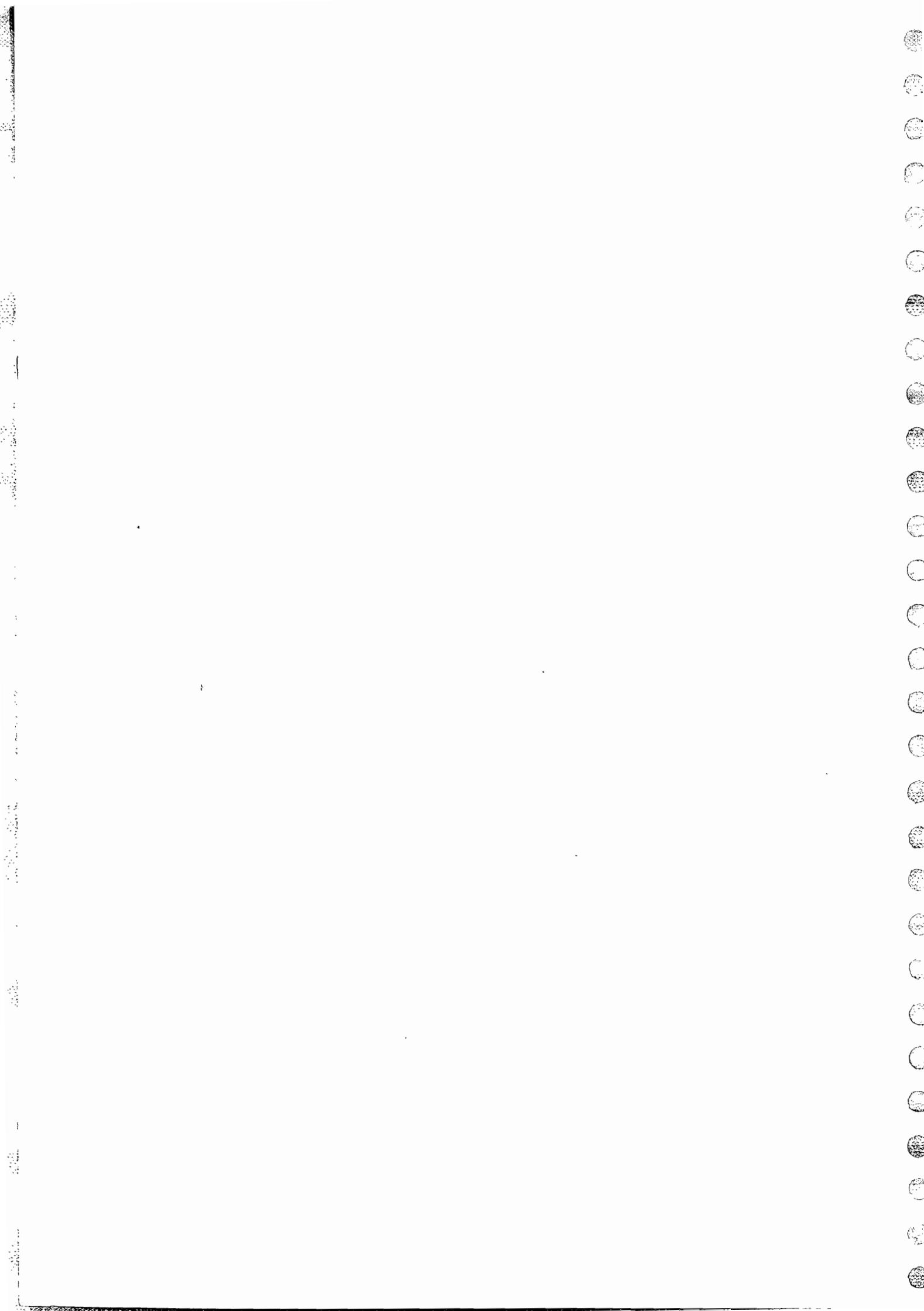
- ① Select the plots to be sampled
- ② By "vegetative" or "site factors" method, all plots are assigned in quality classes.
- ③ For each quality class, main crop data is grouped into classes by decade. Following averages ( $\bar{x}$ ) are computed:
  - basal area per hectare
  - no. of trees per hectare
  - avg. Crop diameter
  - avg. Crop height
  - volume (A, B, C) per hectare
  - form factor
- ④ For each quality, smooth curves are drawn.





① Point Sampling is also called -

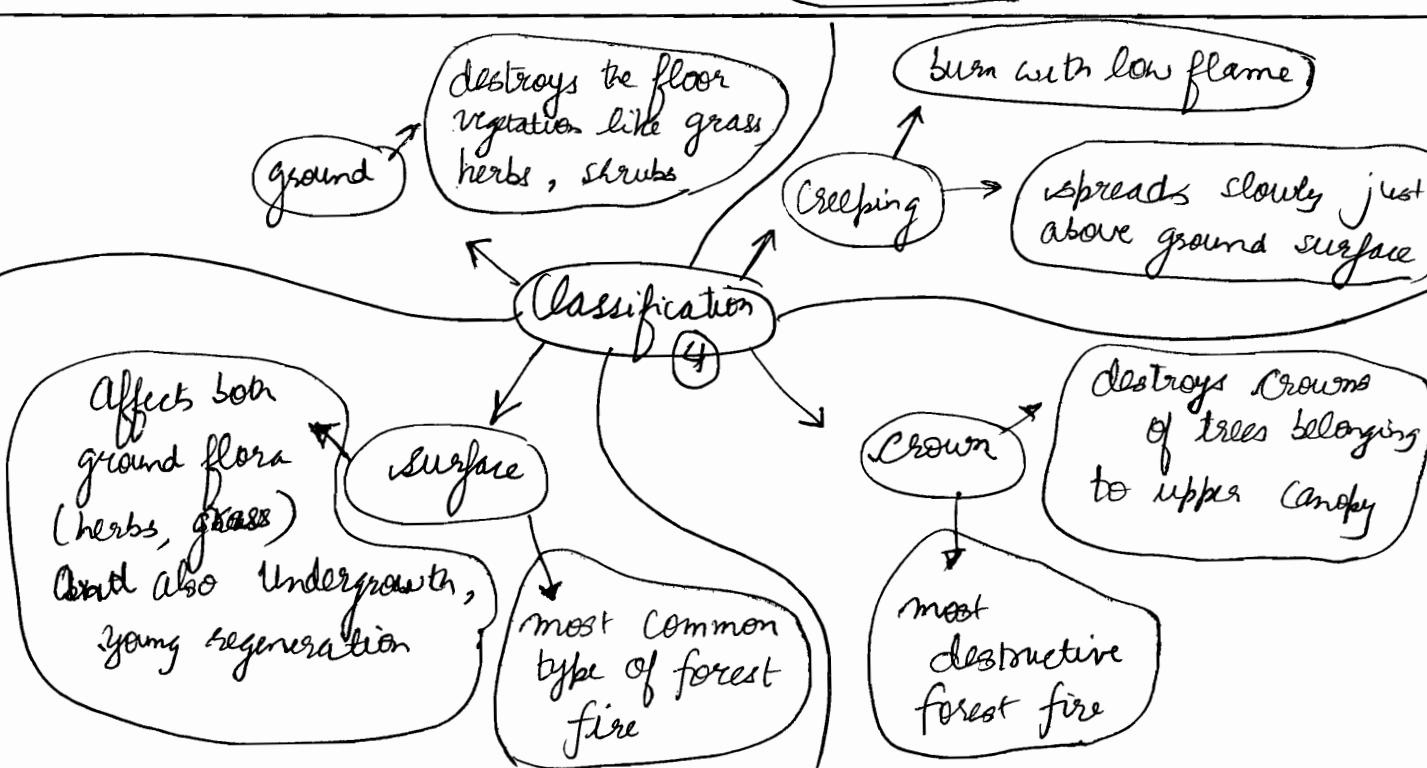
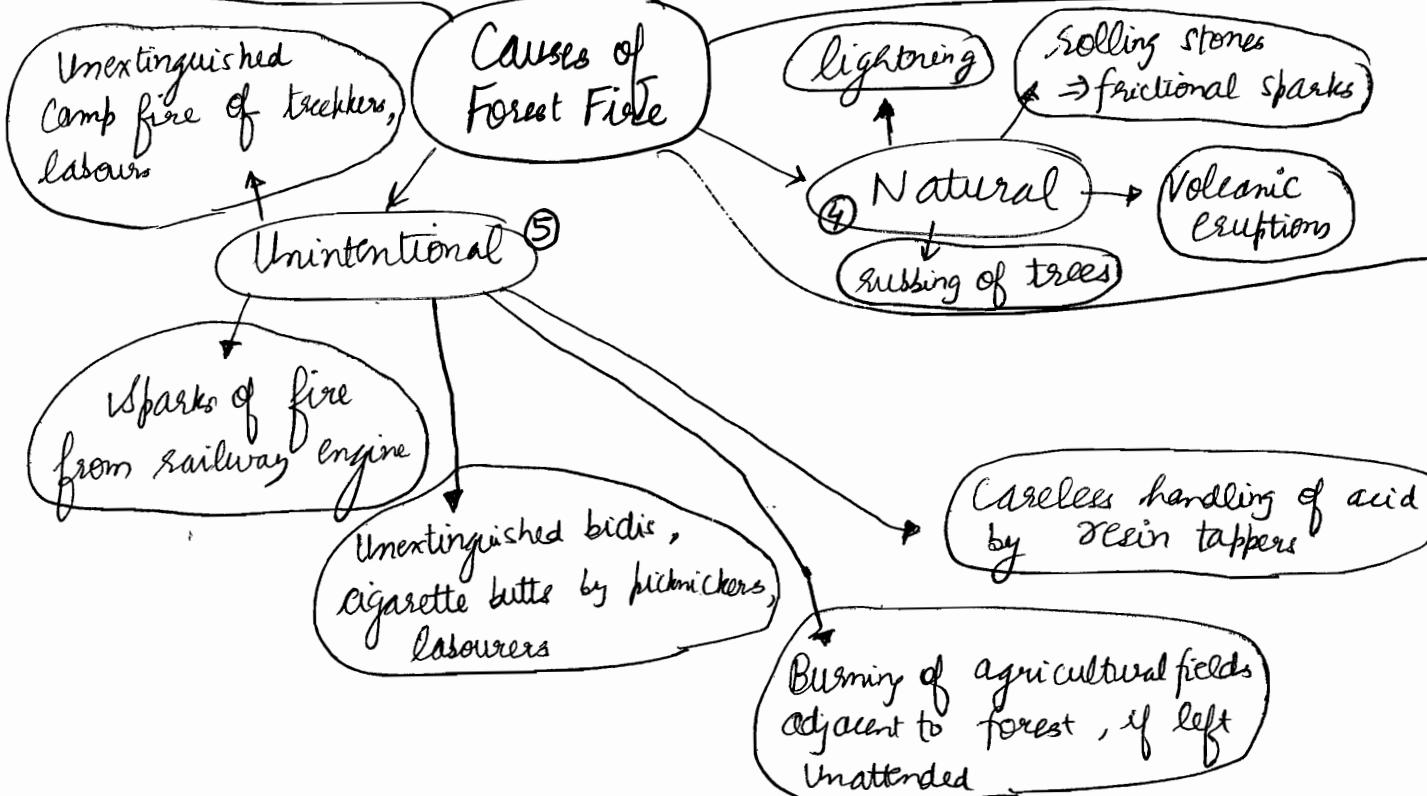
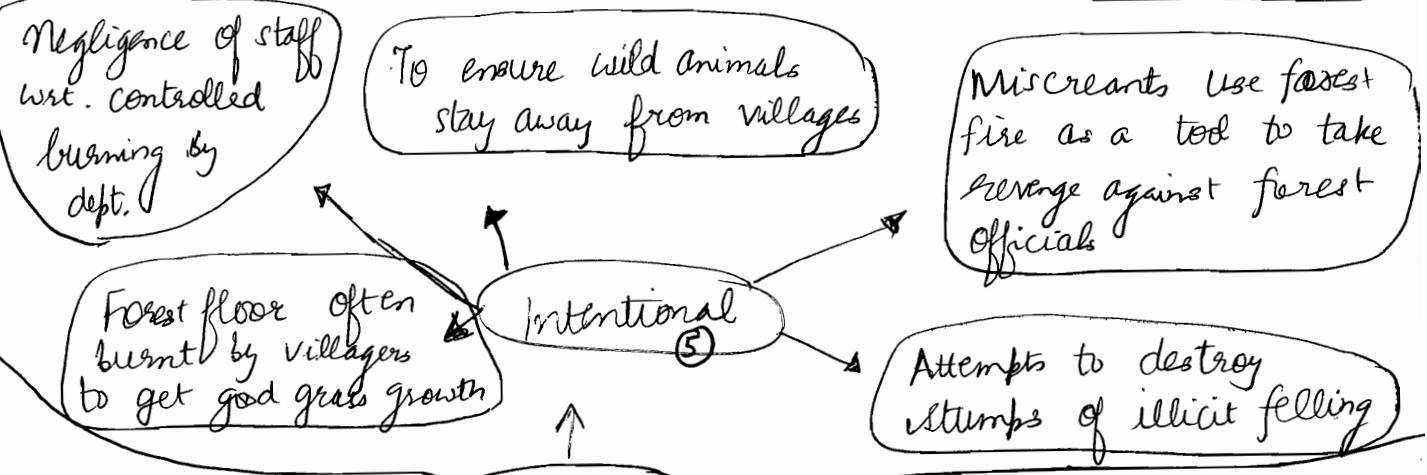
- Bitterlich
- Variable Plot
- Plot Proportional to Size (pps)
- ~~- Plot Proportional to Prediction (ppf)~~

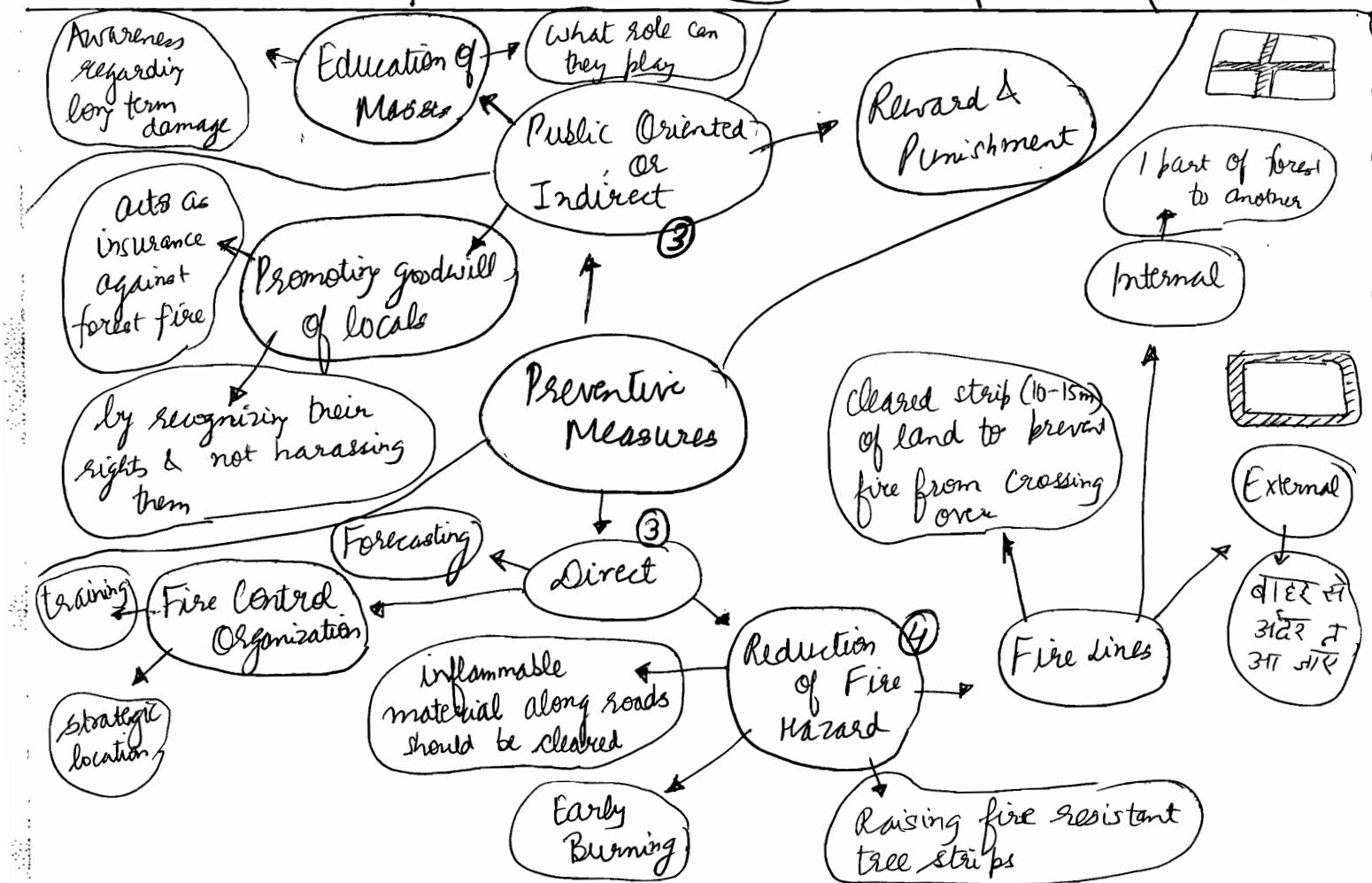


## Forest Fire

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MISCELLANEOUS - 2





④ adverse : hostile : inimical : unfavourable : untoward.

⑤ Cork is fire resistant. It's a subset of bark tissue. Mainly used to prepare wine stoppers. Bark stripped every 10 years to get cork from some trees.

Even if available,  
difficult to transport

Water

Usually shortage of water

Wireless sets  
should be provided to all

Earlier the detection, lesser the damage

Fire Extinguishing

available locally

earth

Can be dug up  
near the fire location

Remedial Measures

deliberate  
firing  
from other side

Counterfiring

2 fires meet  
& are extinguished

beating

Surface fires are  
controlled by beating  
them out

brooms made  
of shrubs and  
branches are used  
to beat out the  
peripheral fire

also  
wet gunny bags are used

plot for small fires

Quick Communication

early detection

Electronic fire  
sensors e.g. IR  
Aerial sensor used

Post Suppression Operations

Burnt &  
smouldering  
trees are  
felled

Burnt area  
is surveyed  
& map is prepared

Procedings  
started for  
new plantation

Cause of fire  
investigated, loss  
is computed &  
final report  
prepared

fire  
watchers  
positioned at  
high locations  
during fire  
season

# Injuries by plants and animals



red<sup>n</sup> in water absorption capacity

reduction in porosity

made compact

Seedlings are crushed & trampled under hooves of cattle

day time

full time in forest  
belong to forest dwelling nomads

Cow, buffalo  
grazers

duration of stay

Classification

Browsers  
Goats  
Camel

soil aeration affected

hooves break down soil aggregates

increase in surface run off

graze the seedlings along with grass

Injuries by Domestic Animals

grazing  
 t<sub>1</sub>  t<sub>2</sub>  
Close

Periodic Grazing

Remedial Measures

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grassland improvement

red<sup>n</sup> of pressure on forest & increased fodder availability

stall feeding

education of public

must be explained that productivity of cattle varies more with breed than with numbers

Preventive Measures

Regulation of grazing

social forestry

less pressure on forest

health of animal maintained

management of fodder is easy for forest dept.

Regulation according to grazing capacity of the area expressed in cow units

Bullock/  
Cow = 1

Buffalo : 2

Camel : 8

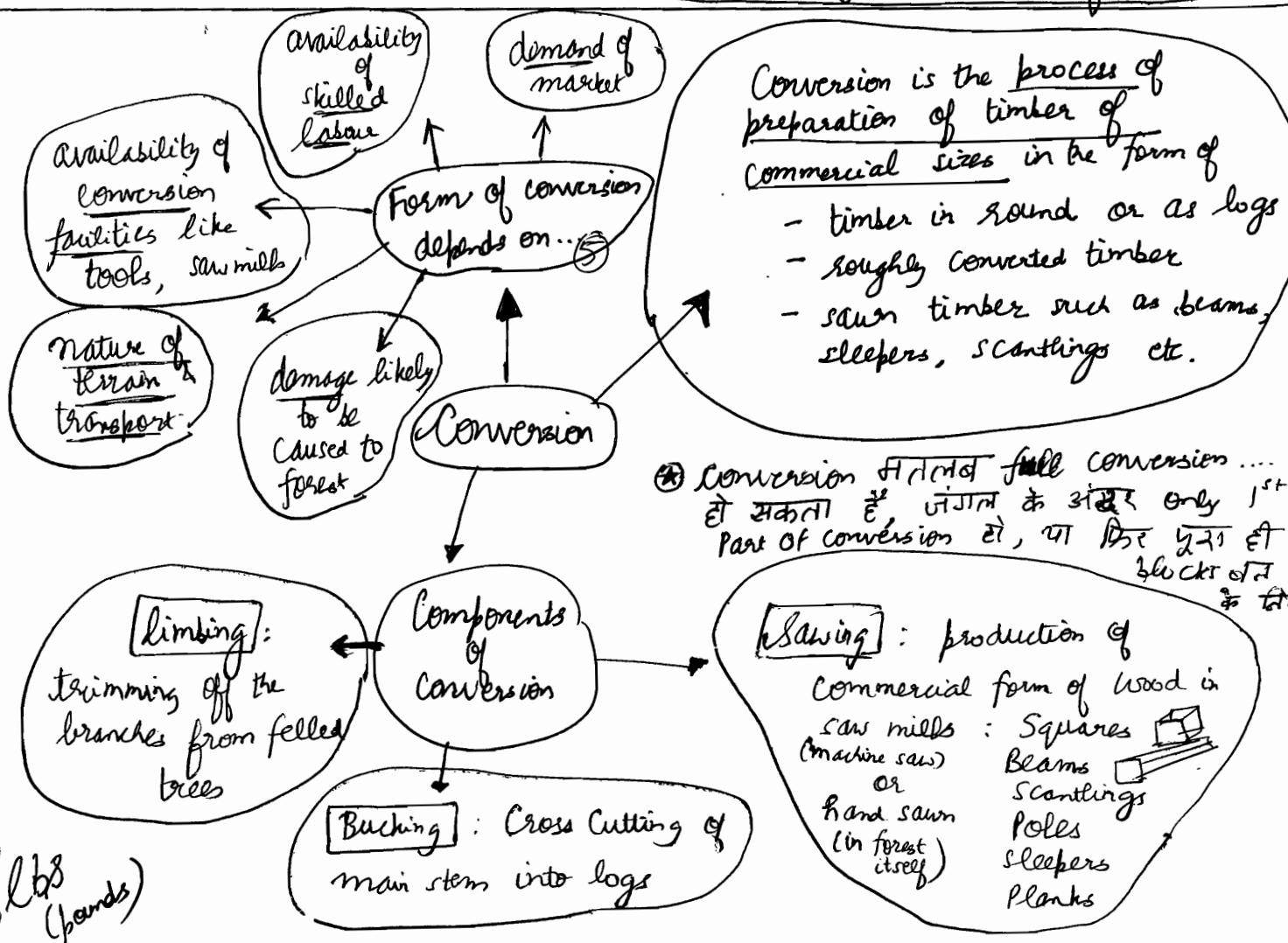
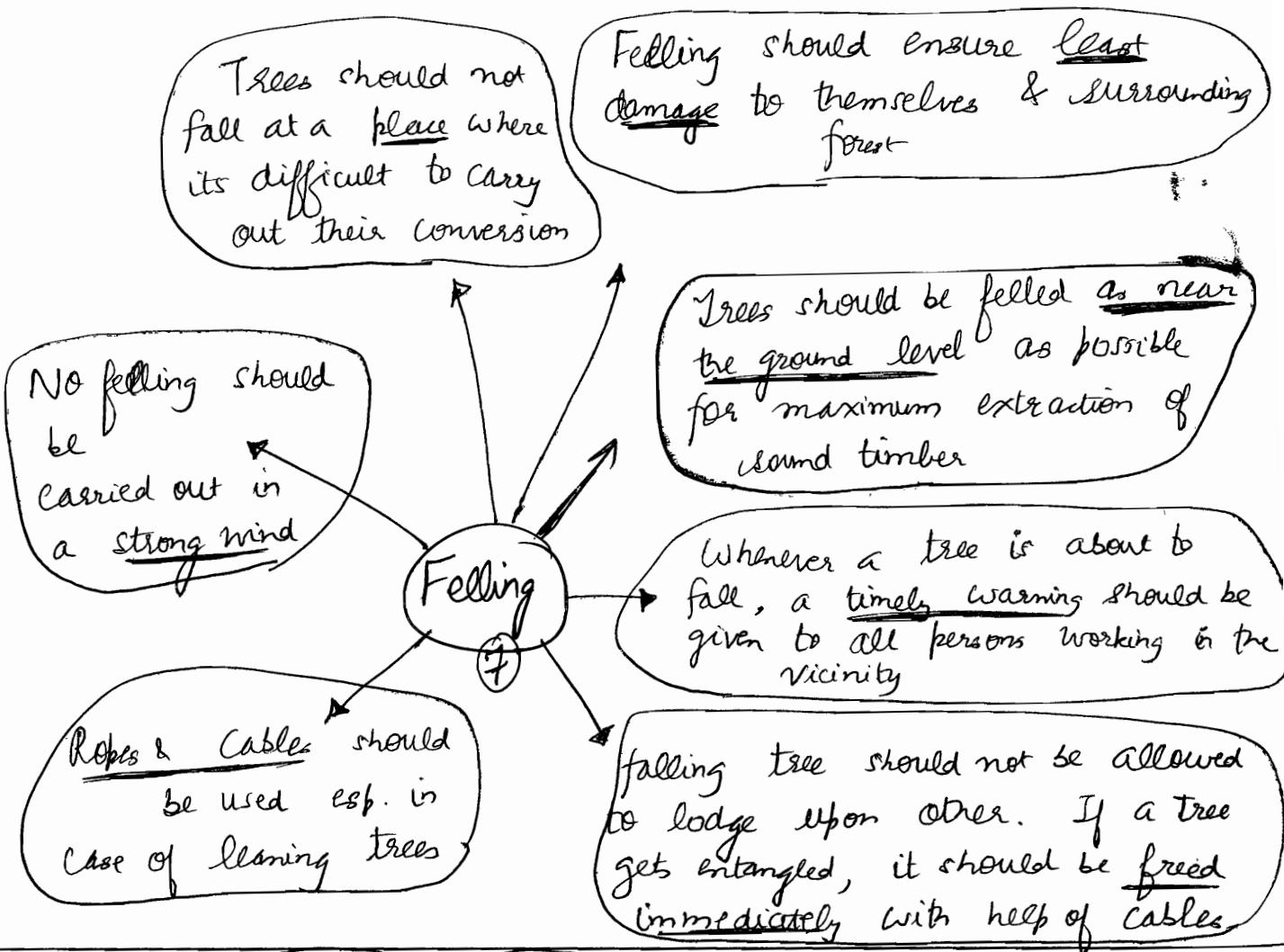
Goat/  
Sheep = 1/2

(1) **Grazers** feed on grass, herbs on forest floor; **Browsers** feed on twigs, shoots, leaves of shrubs, wood climbers



- deodar, Acrocarpus : Bark  
 - sal : regeneration

# Logging





Transportation by land (2)

Railways & tramways (2)

Constant & sufficient demand for forest produce

Forest roads (3)
 

- Even "small wood" is not left behind as it's loaded in trucks
- large qnty. of forest produce should be available for transport near the line
- directly from felling site
  - no need for hauling or shedding
  - less wear & tear

transit depots

Temporary according to location of felling site

Separate plot for each species

Wide enough passage

Sale depots

Layout
 

- well drained
- not exposed to sun

Transportation of logs (4)

Guy ropes extending from bank keep the boom in place

Booms

forest produce like grass brought over these rafts

Rafting

Telescopic Floating

Speed of river should be moderate & no rapids

Transportation by water (3)

Floating

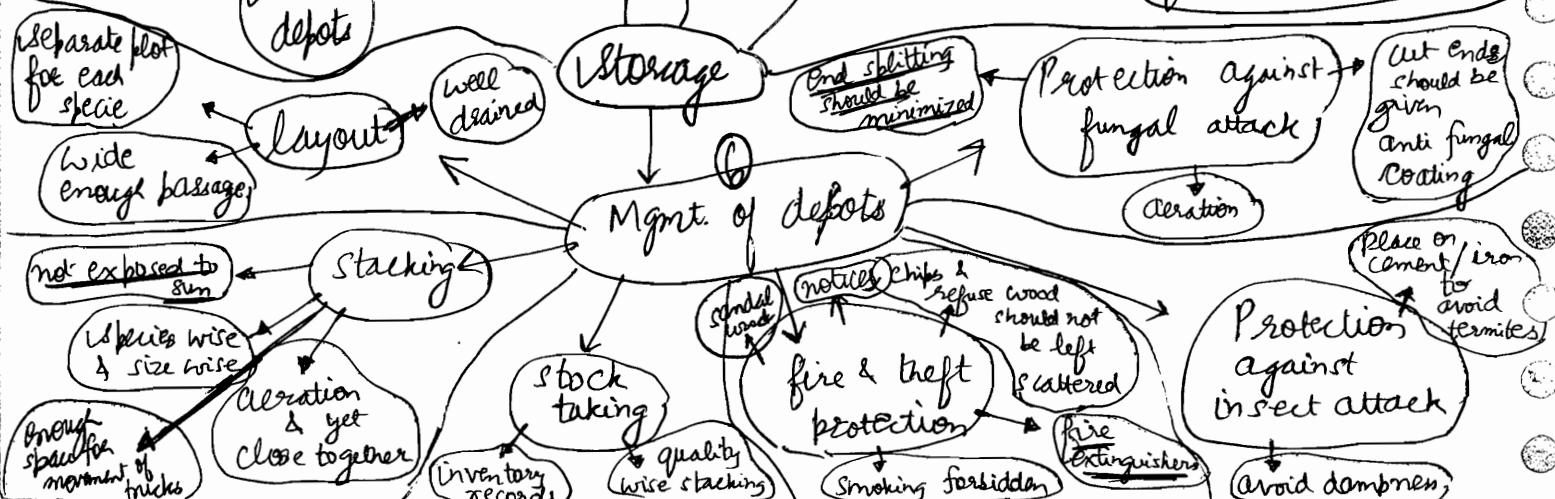
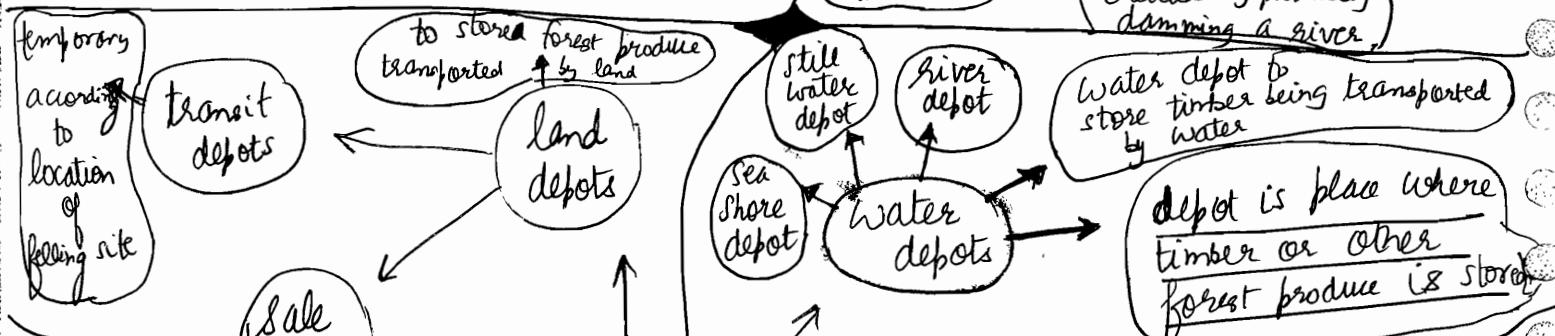
Economical in areas of scattered felling

timber should be light

stream should be wide enough

sufficient water in stream

Artificial chute is (channel down which material) is guided created by partially damming a river.



Enough space should be allowed in between rows of stacks for free movement of trucks

Stacking should be done by species & size.  
Facilitate checking & accounting

Consideration for transit depots

timber should not be stacked under the sun as it may crack. Upper surface should be covered with grass

Notices prohibiting smoking, kindling of fire should be there

Records should be made of inventory for accounting purpose

4 new points

For valuable species like sandalwood, measures should be taken regarding security of premise

location should be close to main line of transport

timber should be well aerated in stacks

Consideration for sale depot

< Considerations of transit depot >

well drained site as dampness causes deterioration of timber

weld material should be dispatched asap

reduce risk

space for new inventory

Cut in 1 or both strokes

(hand saw)

reciprocating type

Saw is a cutting tool with toothed edge

chain saw

maximum daily output

low operational cost

accuracy in producing timber of reqd. dimensions

swinging type

case of use

selection of machines for permanent sawmill

efficient use of wood with less wastage

travelling type

Band saw

Sawmill

Plant with different types of machines for sawing logs into planks, scantlings, boards, beams etc.

Plane sawing

II to greater rings

Method of sawing

I to lesser rings

minimum time should be spent on site preparation

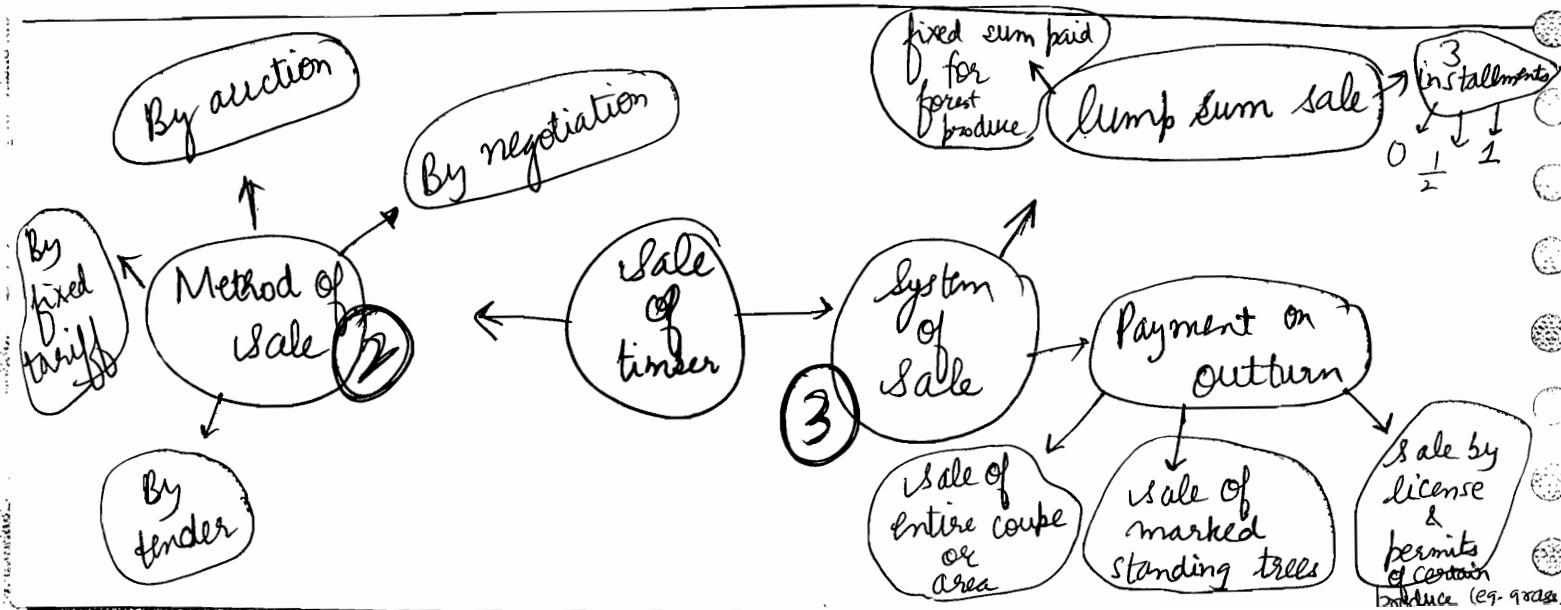
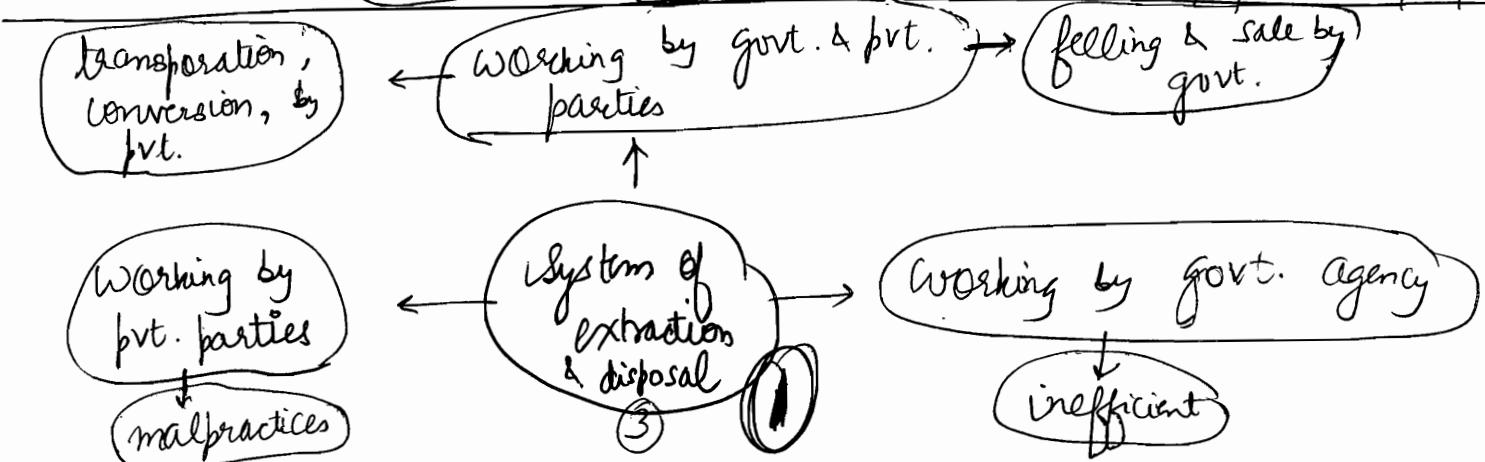
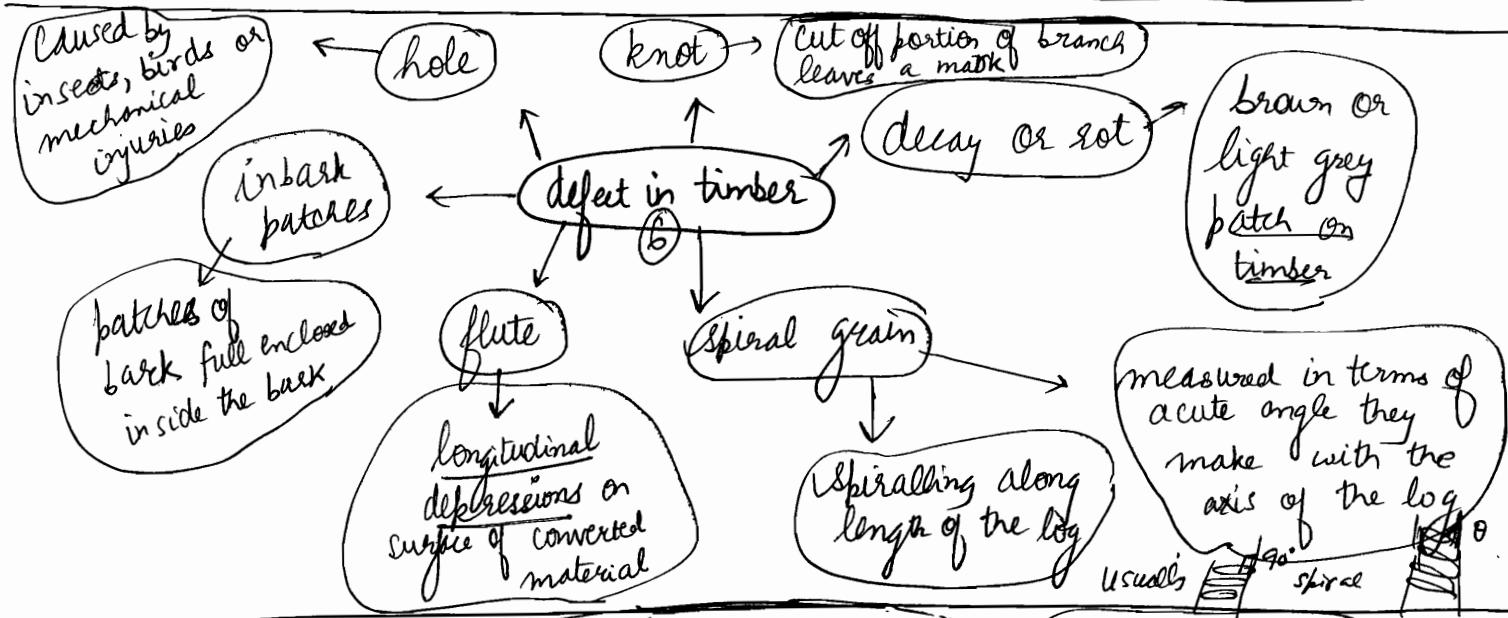
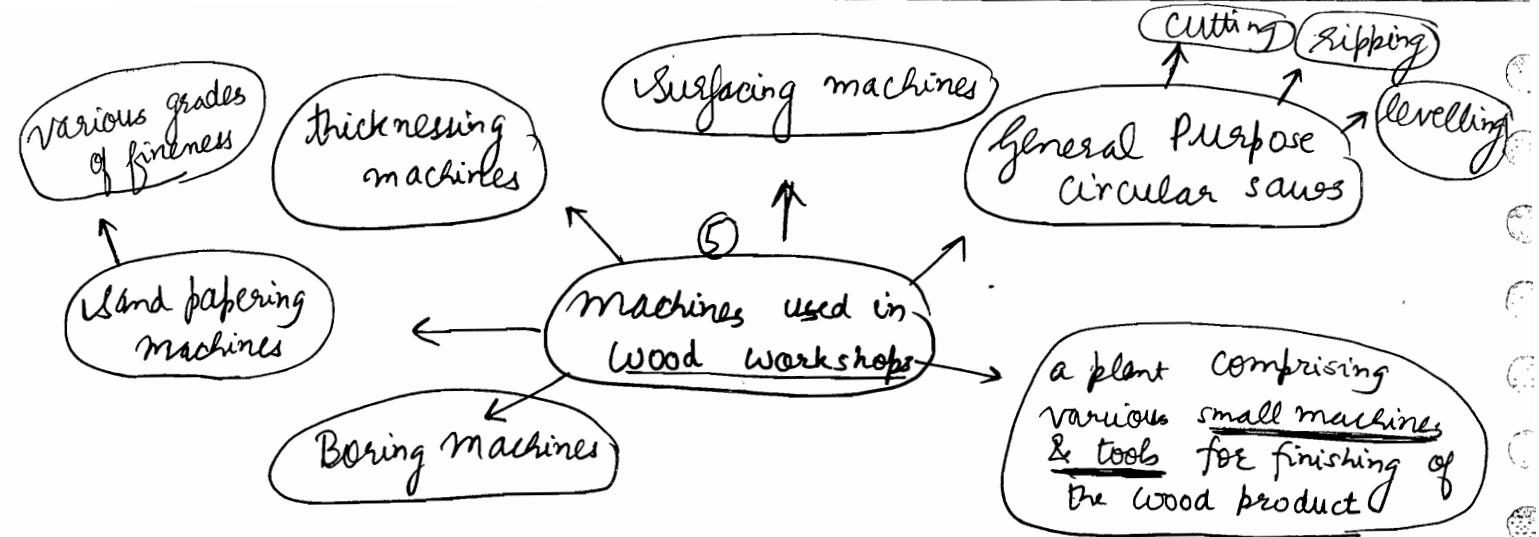
selection of machine for portable sawmill

Machines that can be easily dismantled & transported are preferred

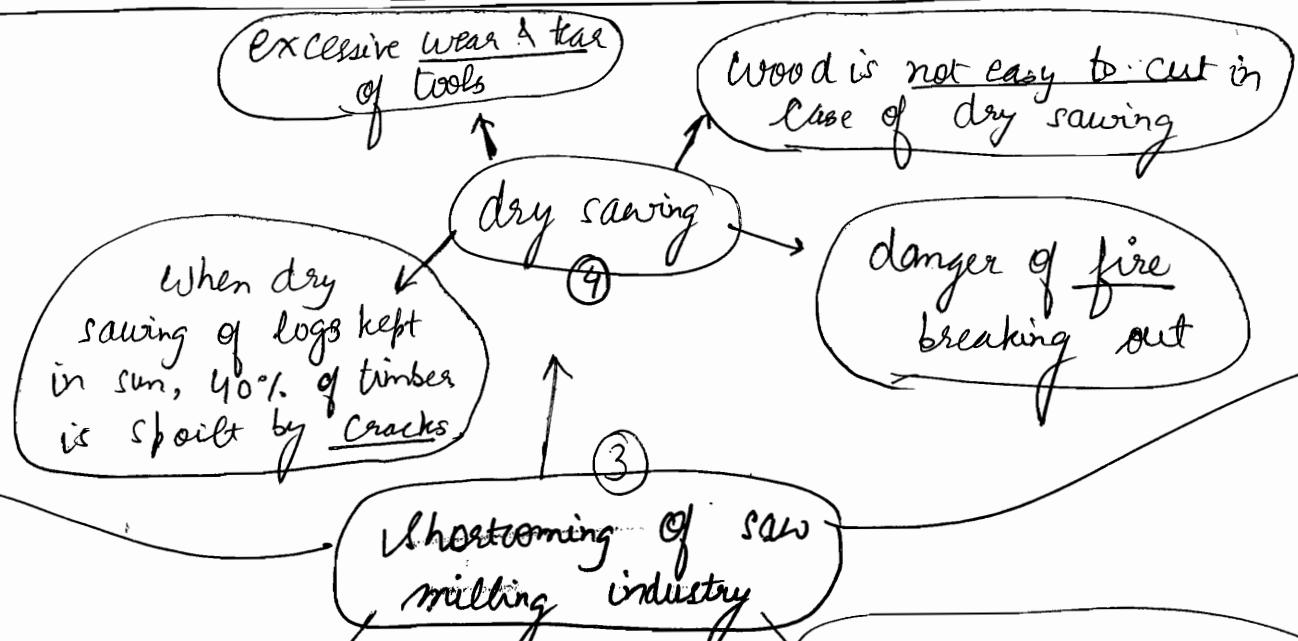
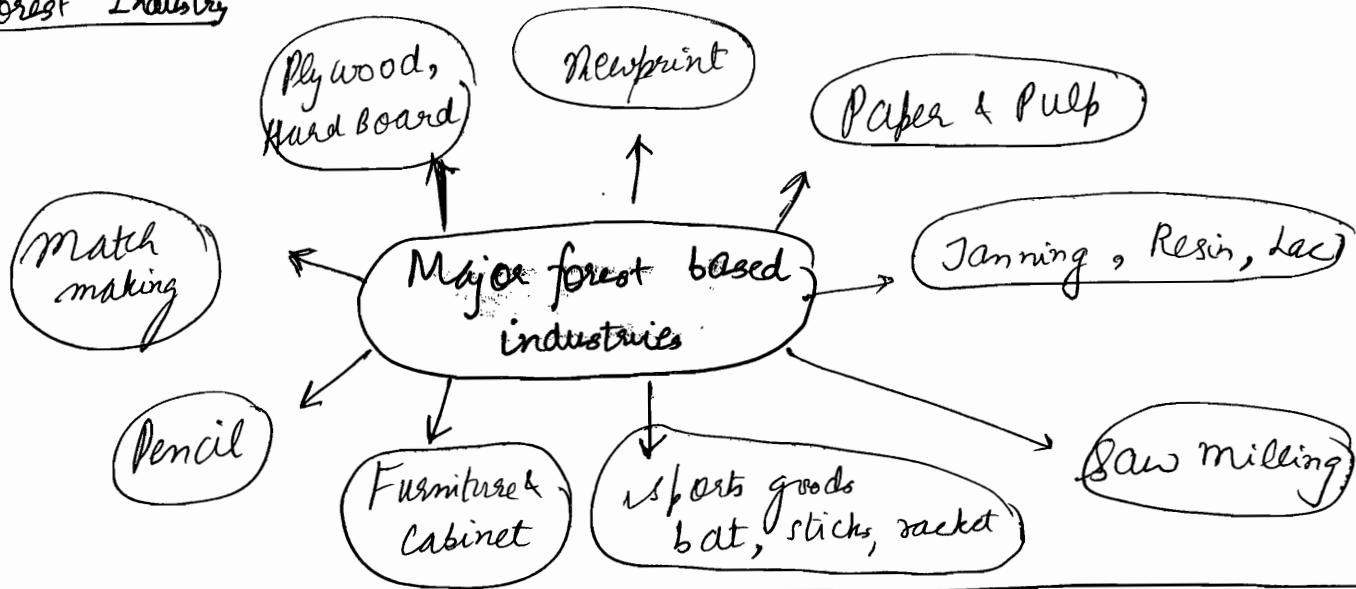
Machine should use portable generator sets

set up in forest where it is difficult to transport wood & its economical to convert wood in forest itself

But there should be good foundation for high speed machines

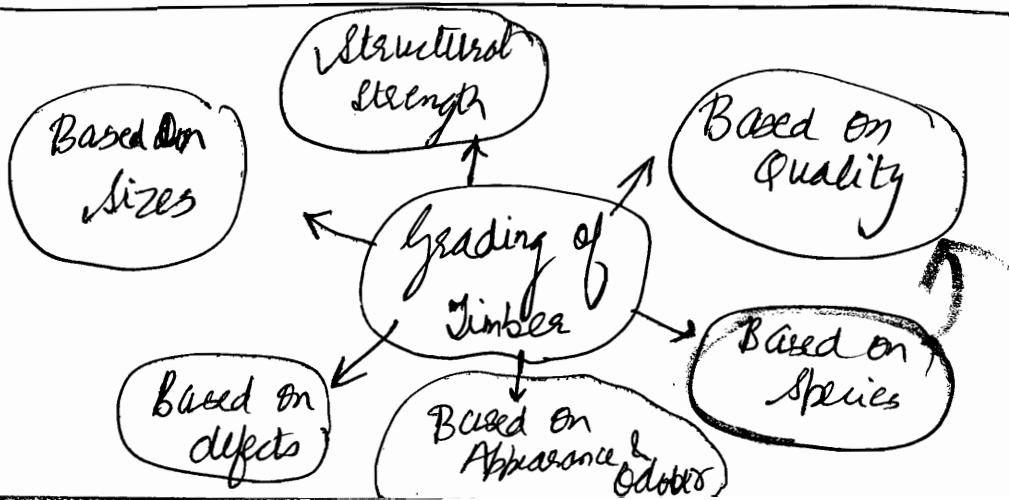


## Forest Industry



Kerf is the wastage caused due to "width of saw cut". Due to lack of modern thin-kerf machines, there is a lot of wastage

lack of integrated saw milling. In Integrated saw mills, waste of one process/ operation is used as input for other  $\Rightarrow$  possible to use  $> 90\%$  of wood

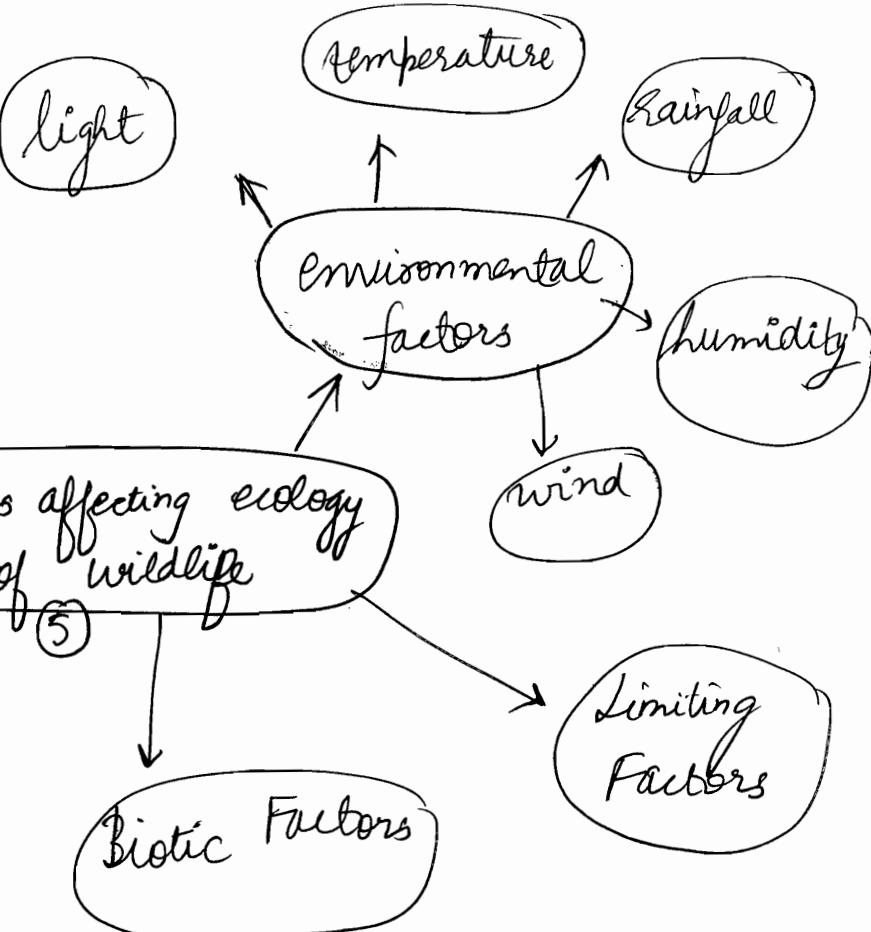


# Wildlife Ecology

by abiological factors

Factors affecting ecology of wildlife

(5)



Gonads of some birds become more active with increased intensity of light in summer

Reproduction

growth of trees as well as animals

metabolism

activation and hibernation of cold blooded animals affected by intensity of light

Effects of light

(7)

photoperiodism : duration for which an organism is exposed to light

long day animals  
eg. Birds  
Sexual Activity  $\propto$  length of day

short day animals  
eg. deer goat  
sexual activity  $\propto$  1 / length of day

development of fur is affected by length of the day

skin colour

migration of birds

Eyes

fish

owls

high intensity of light

Adaptations like

- hair, fur
- fat & thick skin
- sweating to keep cool

Aestivation by cold blooded animals during Summer

self imposed dormancy ↑

metabolic activity at lowest ebb ↑

Heart Beat reduced

Hibernation by cold blooded animals during winter

Animals, during this time, live under rocks, in burrows

reserves of fat & glycogen provide energy for survival

thermal migration to areas of optimal temperature conditions

metabolic Activities brought about by enzymes influenced by temp.  
↑ activity upto a limit then drop in activity

eg. FROGS  
AMPHIBIANS

Bergmann's Rule

Species of colder regions are larger in size  
⇒ larger animals have lower surface area per unit weight ⇒ lower radiation heat loss of Polar Bear

Gloger's Rule

Color of Mammals  
& birds of warm regions is darker

Allen's Rule

Animals of ~~cold~~ areas have a more compact structure  
like tail, ear, neck  
eg. short ears reduce the exposure to blizzards  
eg. Arctic Fox vs desert fox

(Gloger: radial)

Gloger ⇒ Colour

Bergman ⇒ large

Allen ⇒ anatomy

migration in search of water

feathers in birds, scales in reptiles help to reduce water loss

lower animals such as earthworm have the ability to absorb water through their skins

Birds excrete solid area as they need more water to fly

Effect of hydrological factors: adaptations

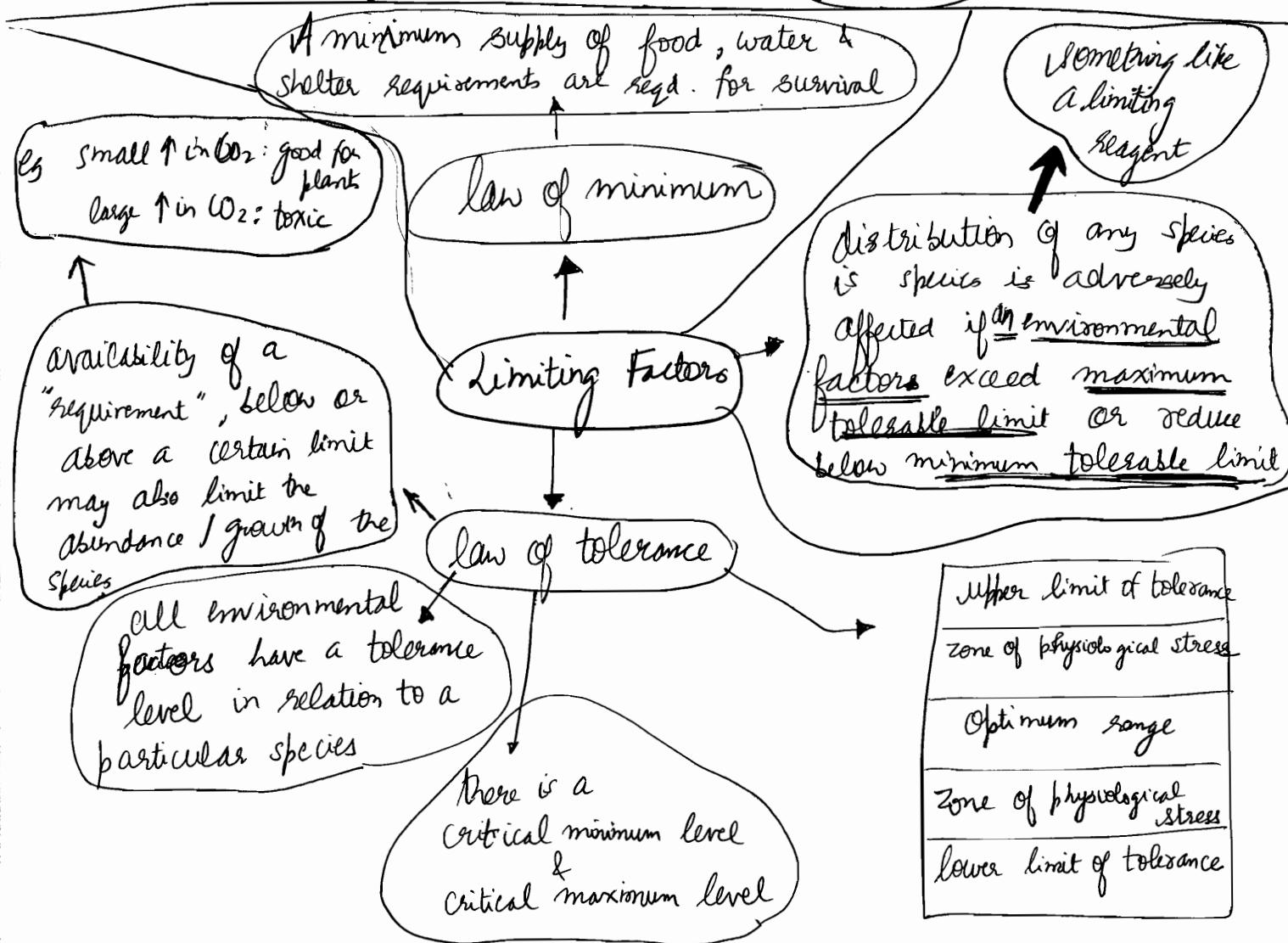
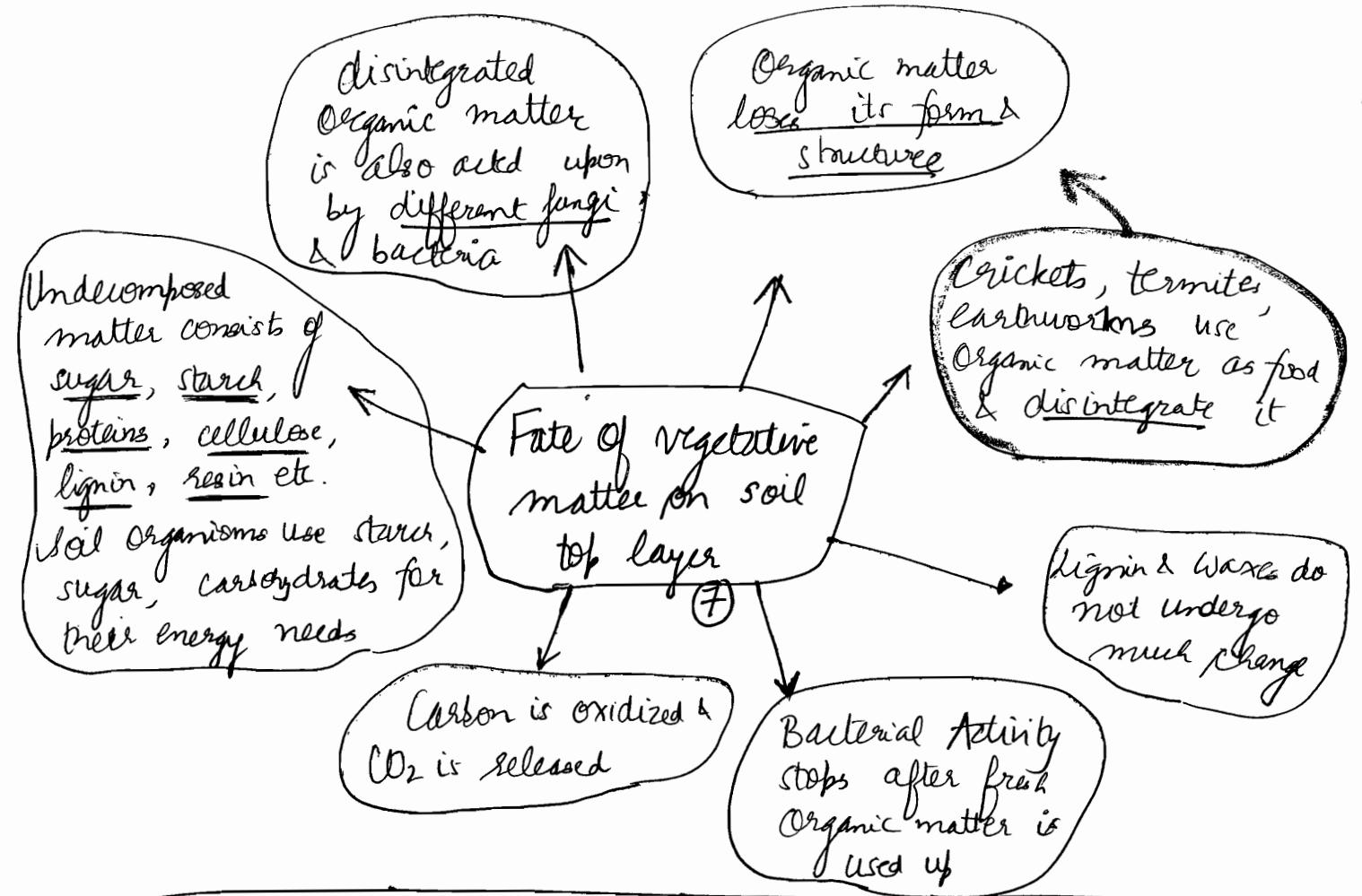
ability to maintain water reserve in body

no. of water sources determine carrying capacity of the land

modification of kidney function to conserve water

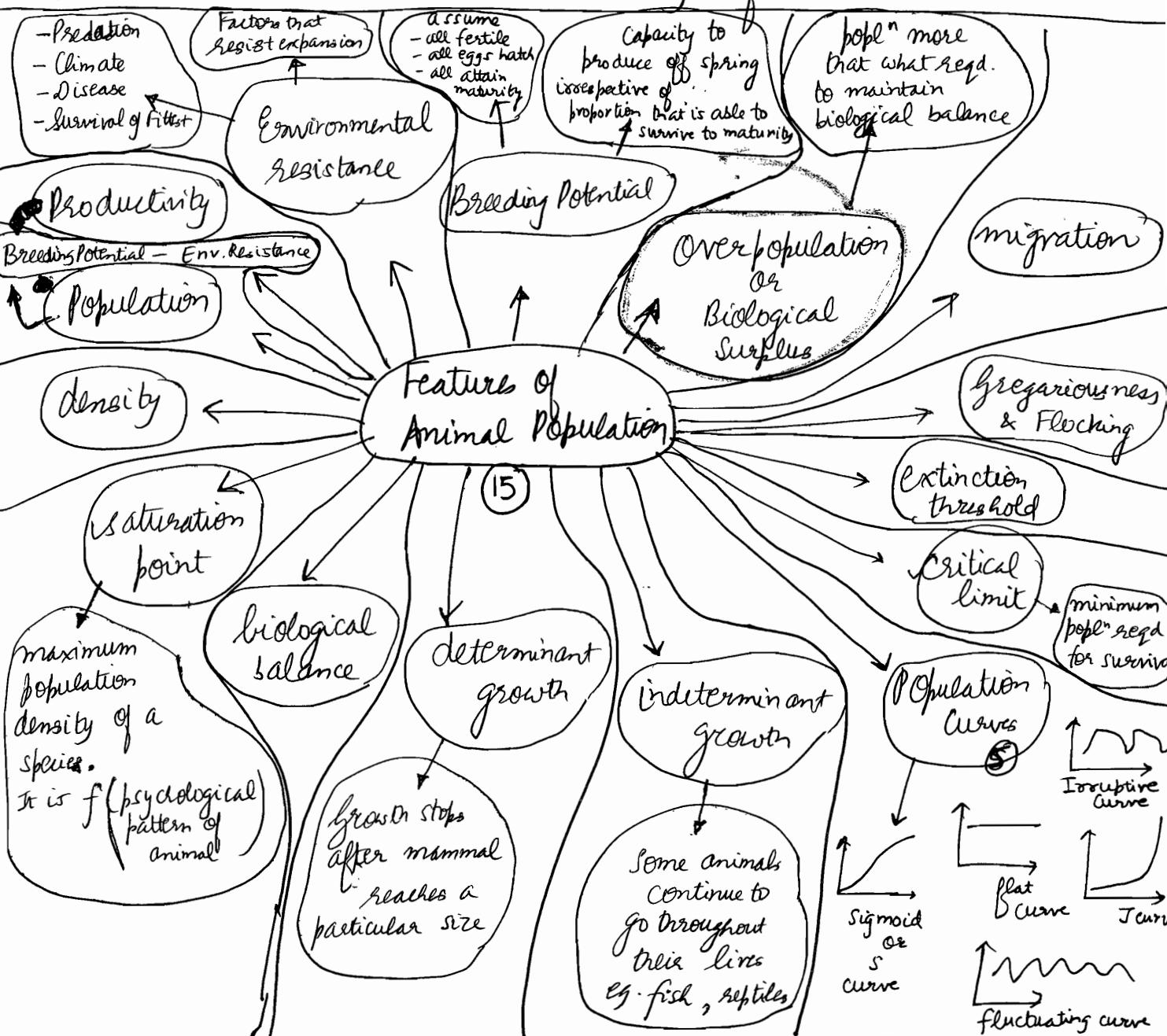
nocturnal animals avoid heat of the day

Underground burrows help avoid desiccation due to day's heat



# Wildlife Biology

The greater the complexity of biological community, the greater its stability and <sup>in order</sup> to promote ecological resistance to invaders and to prevent damaging explosions in native population, the best course is to conserve the variety of nature.



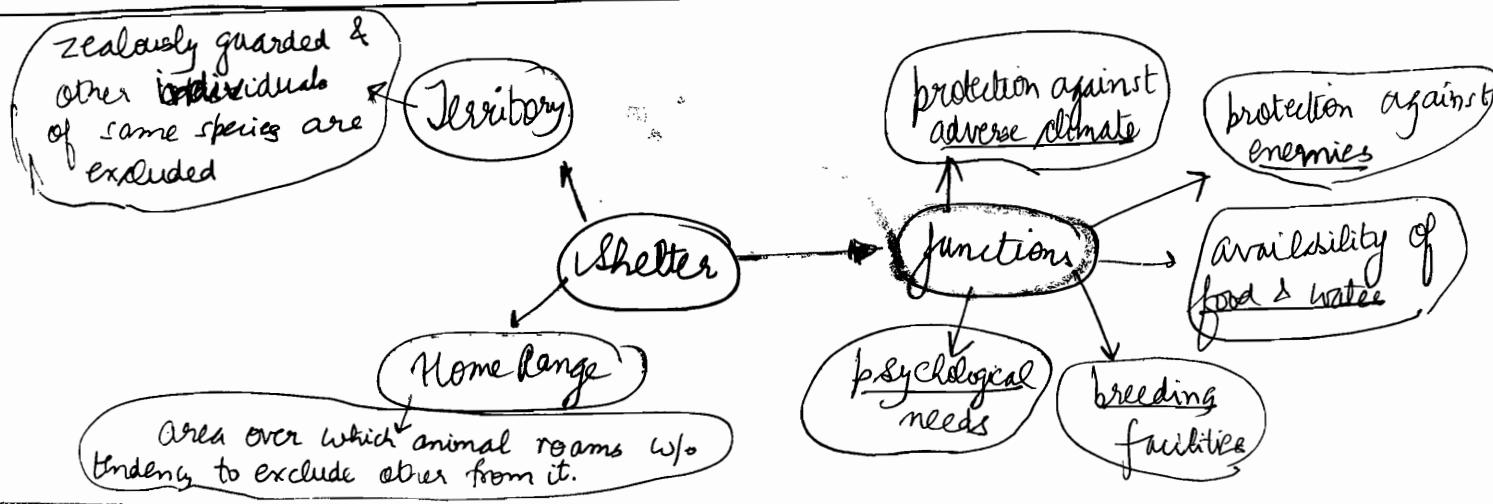
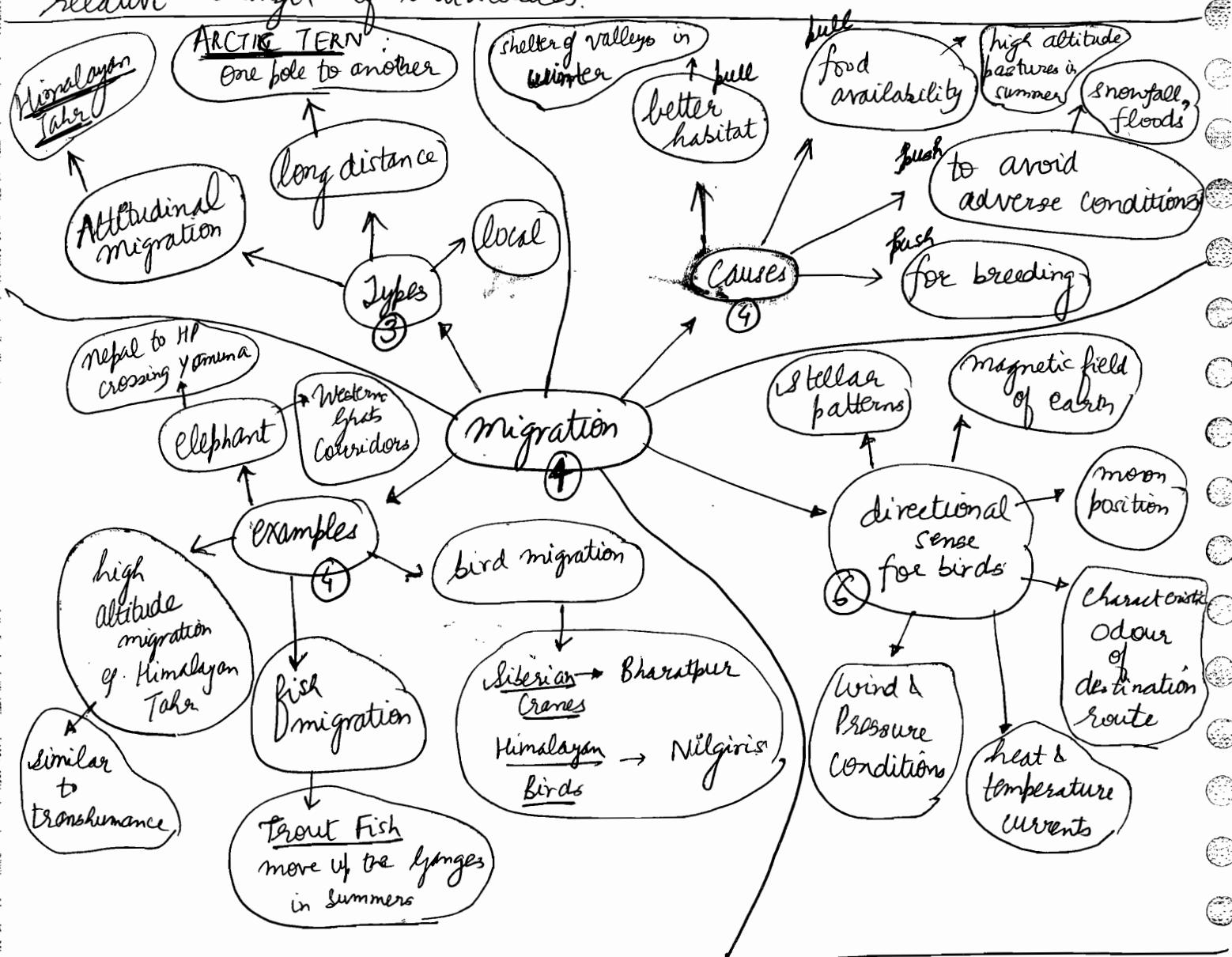
- Critical popl<sup>n</sup> depends on - Area of reserve  
- Availability of food - predation, competition, poaching  
- psychological requirement (sense of security)

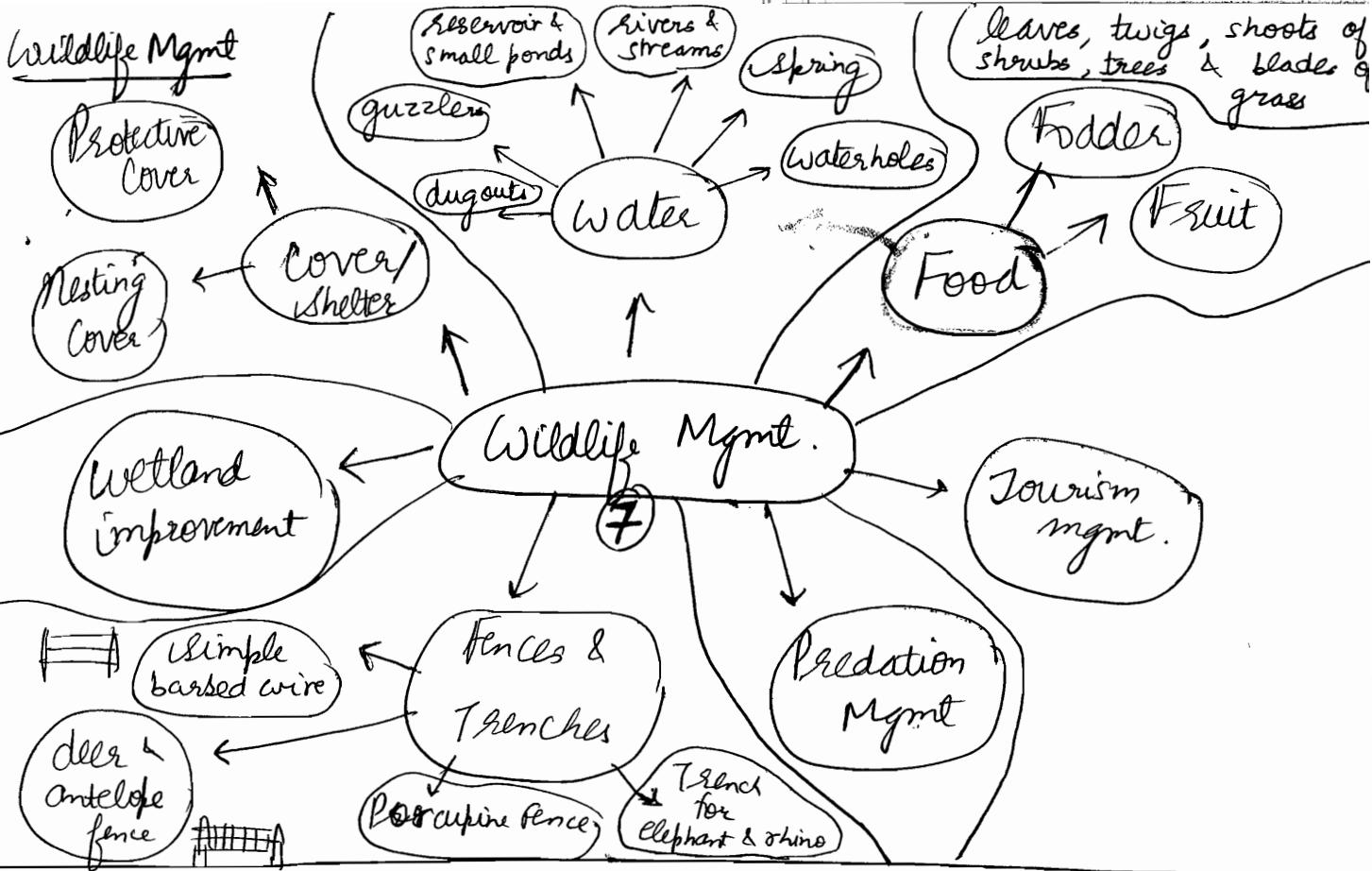
- Productivity pertains to actual reproduction of a particular species.
- Following factors affect productivity : - breeding potential  
- environmental resistance
- Population = Productivity + Original Popl<sup>n</sup>
- Population = Breeding Potential - Environmental Resistance (includes Original ones.)

- Gregariousness & Flocking
- ① Tendency of animals to stay together & live in groups.  
e.g. deer, antelope, monkeys, elephants, birds, lions
  - ② On the other hand, leopards & tigers are loners.  
Also predatory birds like eagles.

## Pecking Order

System of social dominance in species showing flocking, based upon relative strength of individuals.





① Protective Cover → Hedgerows

(escape, winter or  
refuge cover)

→ Brush Piles

→ Natural & Artificial Roosts

Artificial  
Natural



② Nesting Cover

→ Ground Nesting Cover

→ Den & Nesting Trees (trees with nests are not felled)

→ Nest Boxes

should be  
-light weight  
-durable  
-large enough  
-climate resistant  
-economical &  
simple to build

→ wood duck nest box

→ squirrel

birds

**nest:** constructed space by birds, where they sit, rest, sleep, lay eggs & take shelter

**roost:** temporary place for birds either to rest or escape a predator





① Eurythermal animals : Capacity to tolerate a wide range (elongated) of temp

Stenothermal animals : Can tolerate only a narrow range of temperature. (short range)

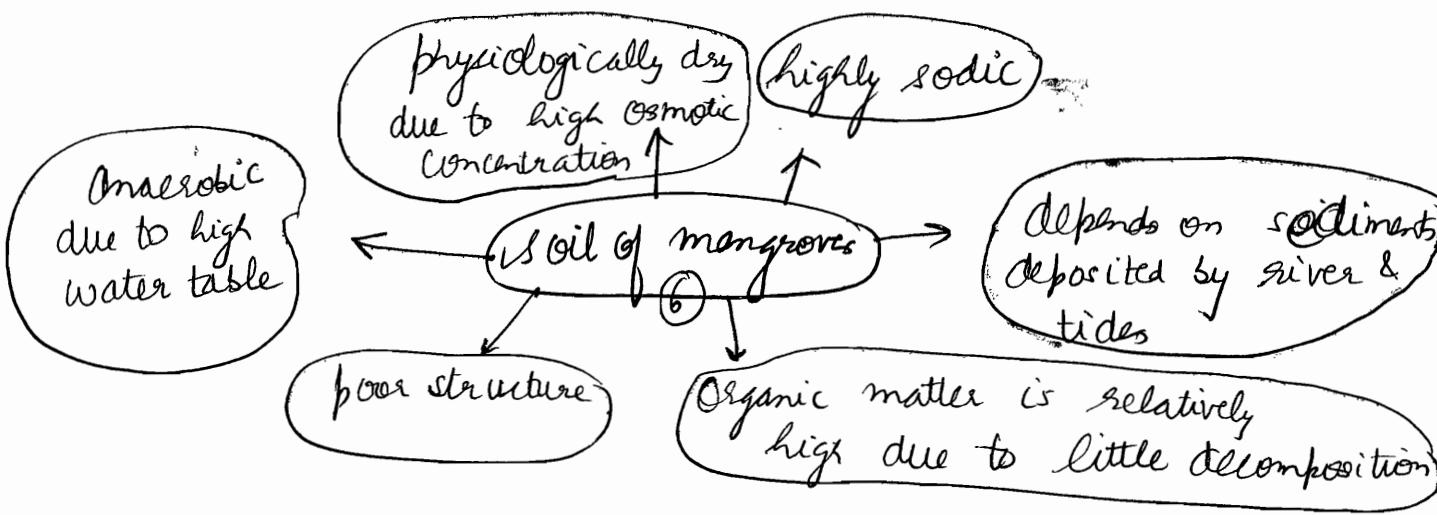
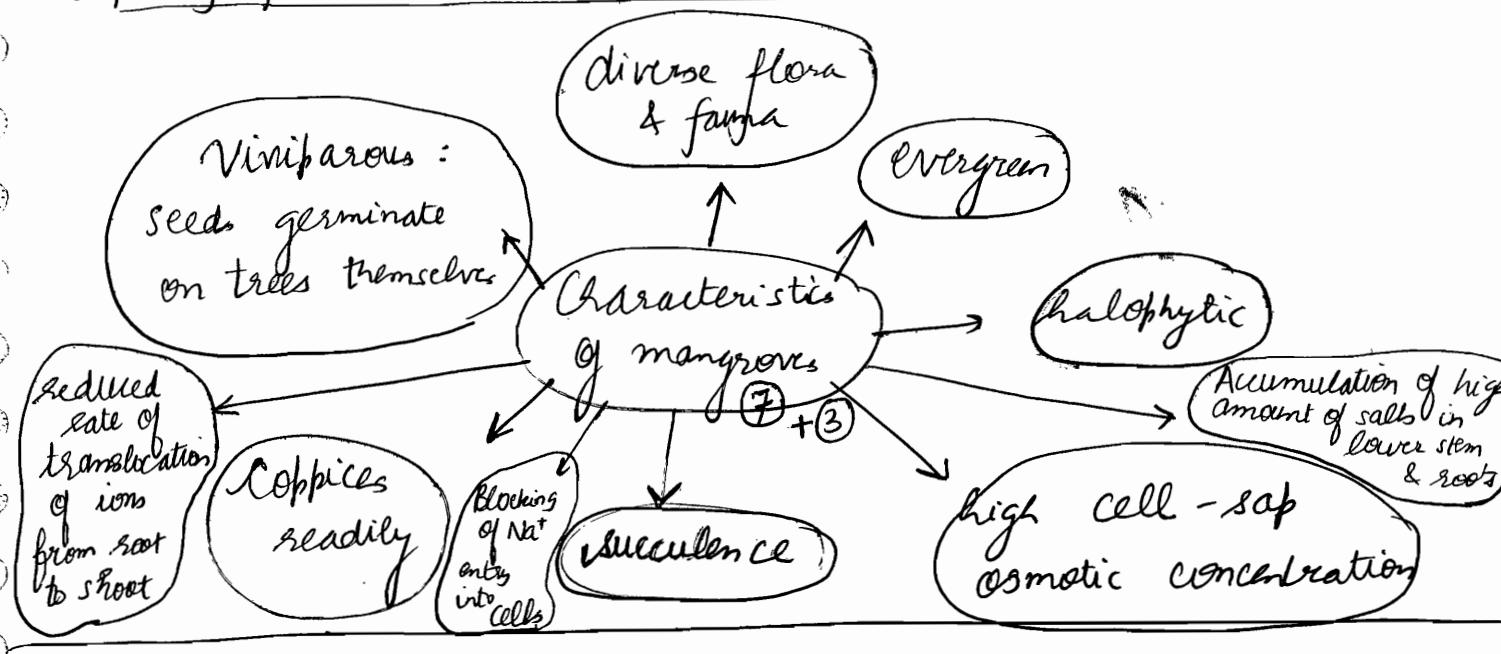
② Wings : Flight

Feathers : Body insulation, control of flight, camouflage

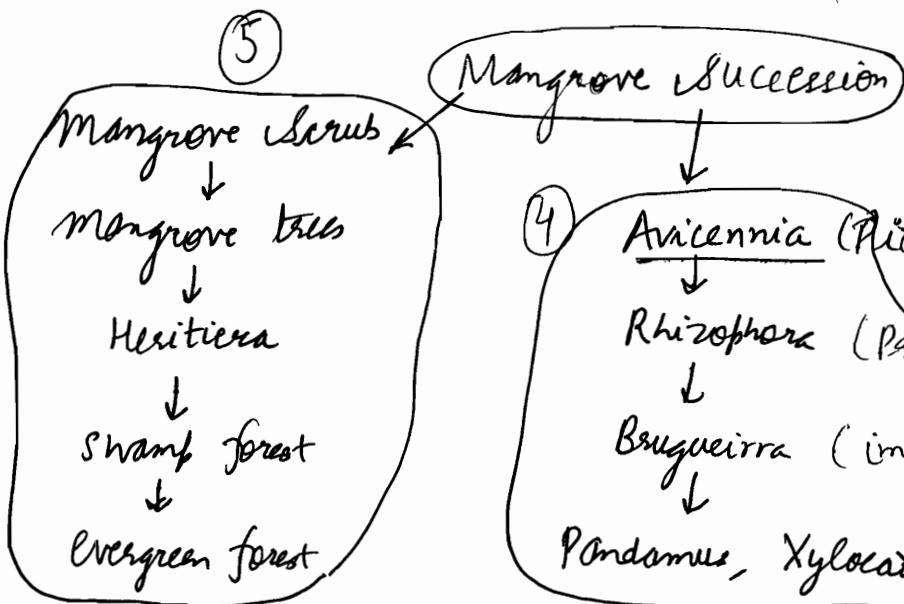
# Mangroves

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- Mangroves are halophytic trees & bushes growing below the high water level of spring tides. They have remarkable capacity for salt water tolerance (3)

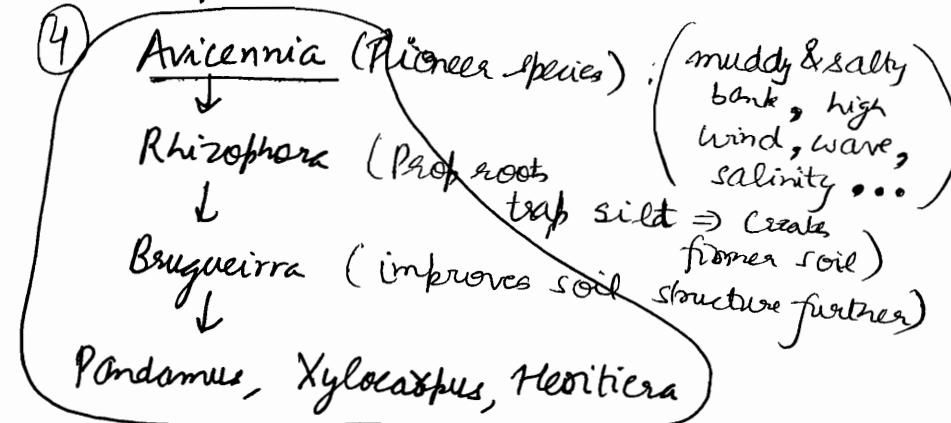


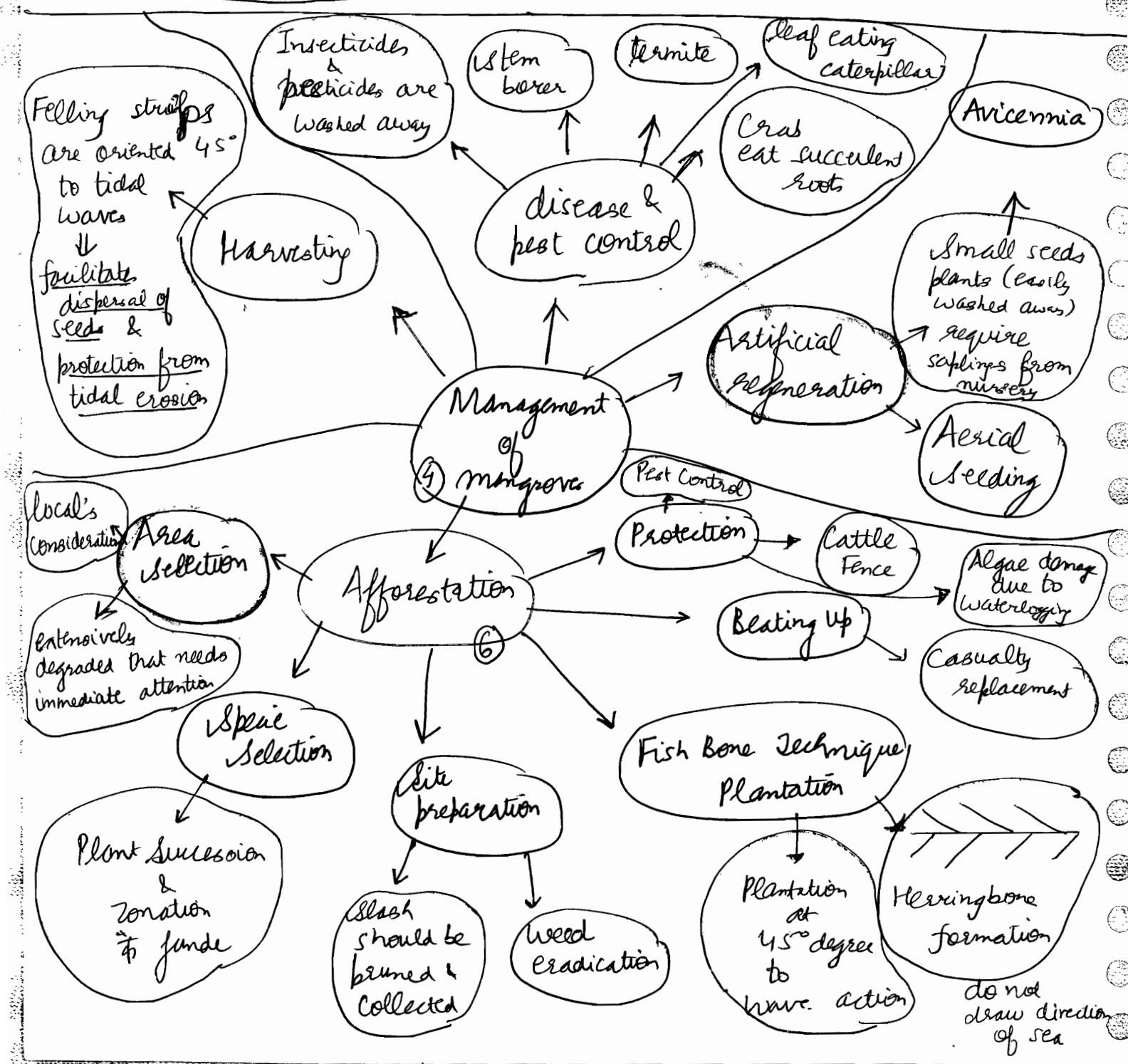
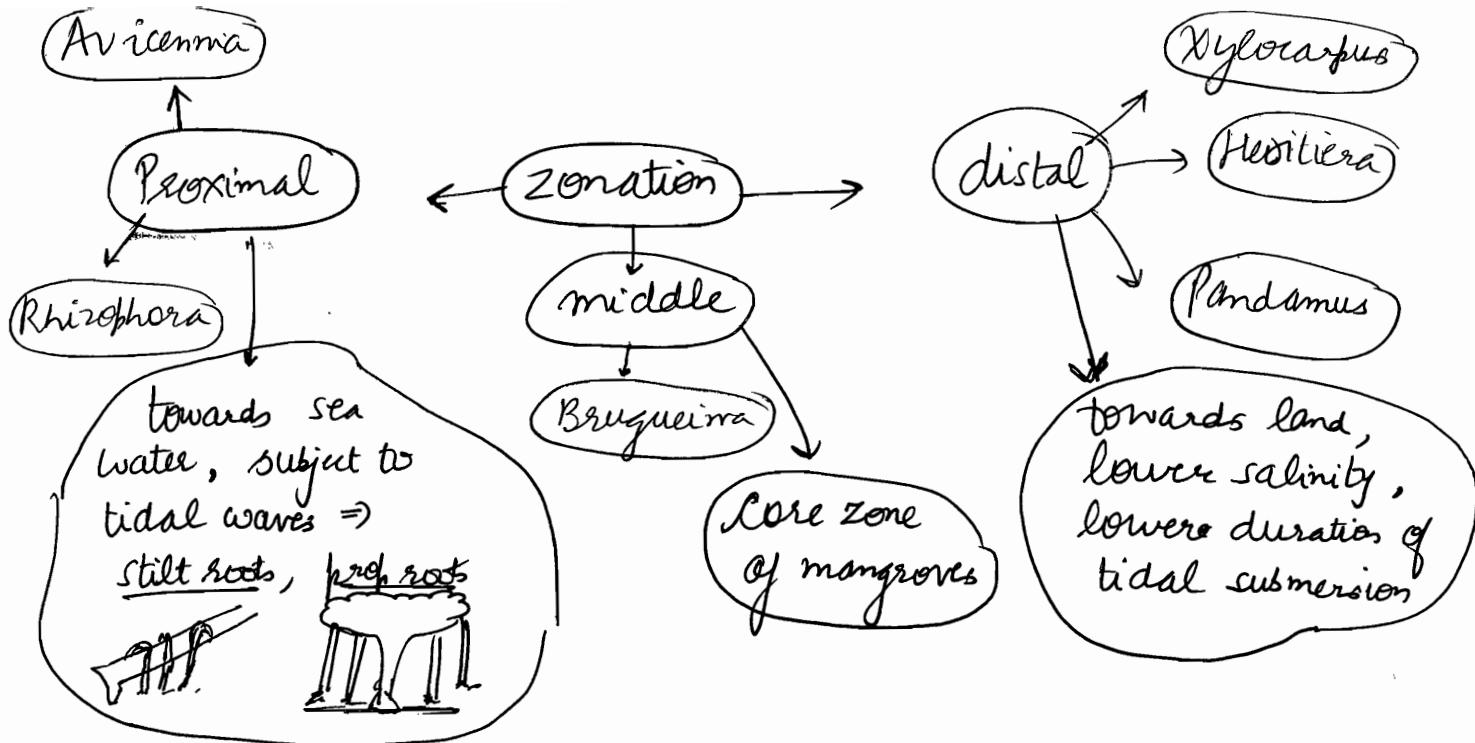
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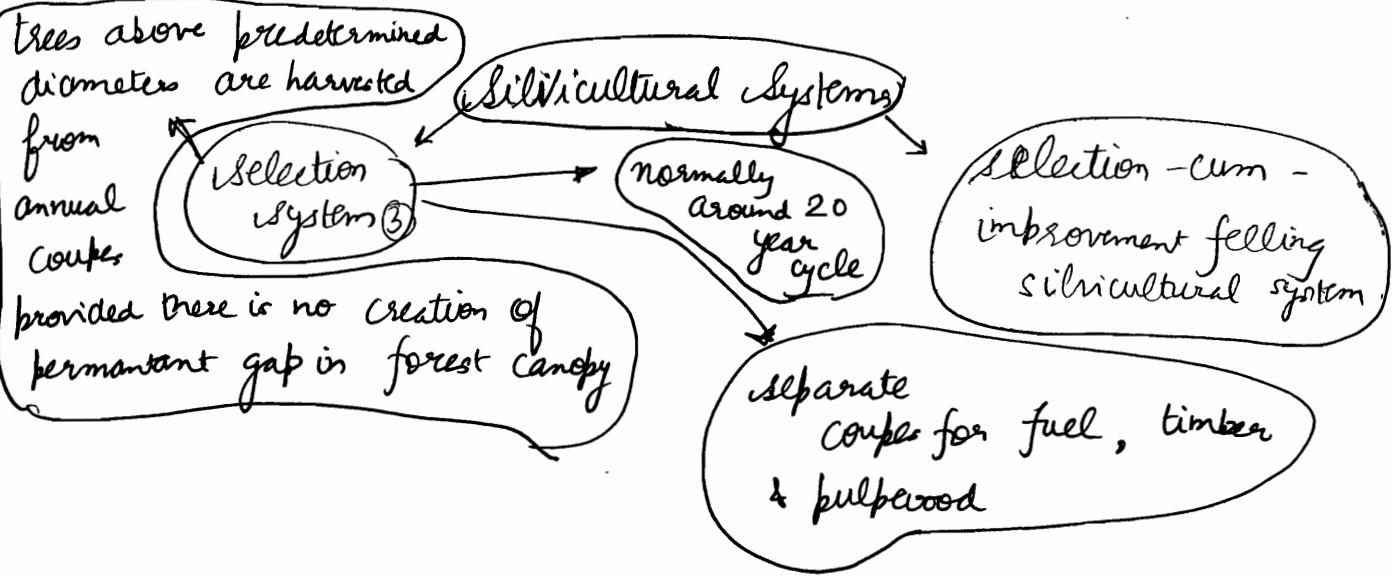


Mangrove Succession

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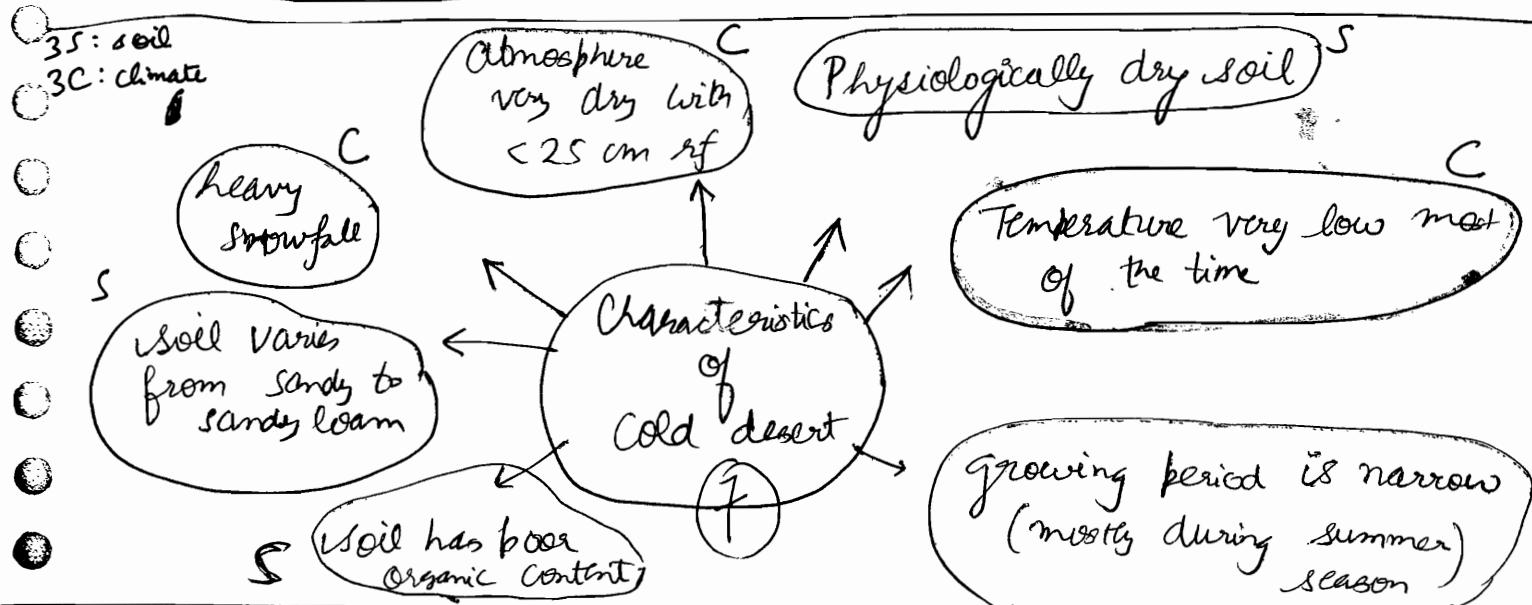
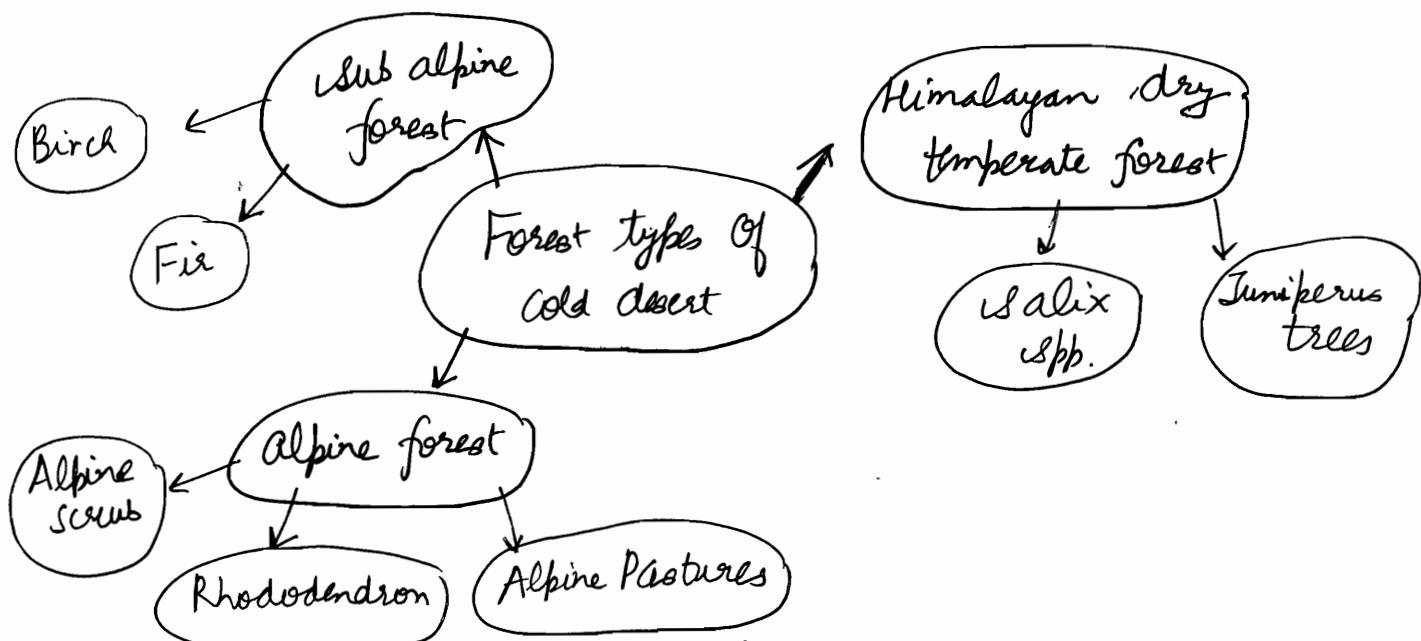






### Cold desert

Cold desert is an area which experiences extreme cold weather and denuded terrain. Also referred to as temperate desert. Occurs in India @ Ladakh, Leh, Kargil, Spiti Valley.

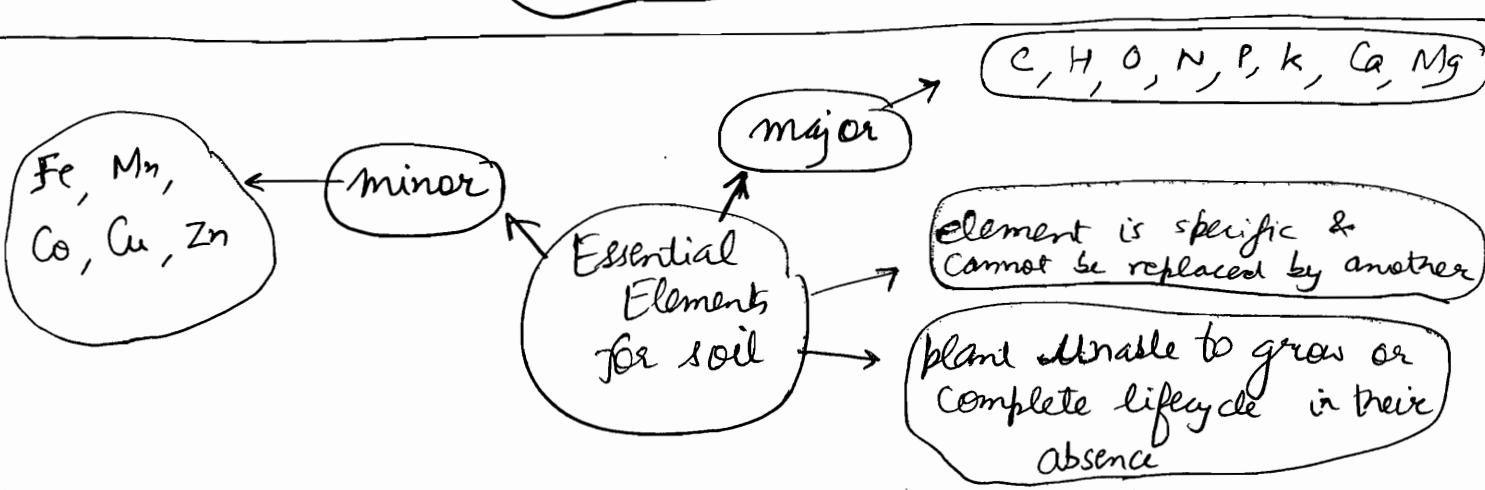
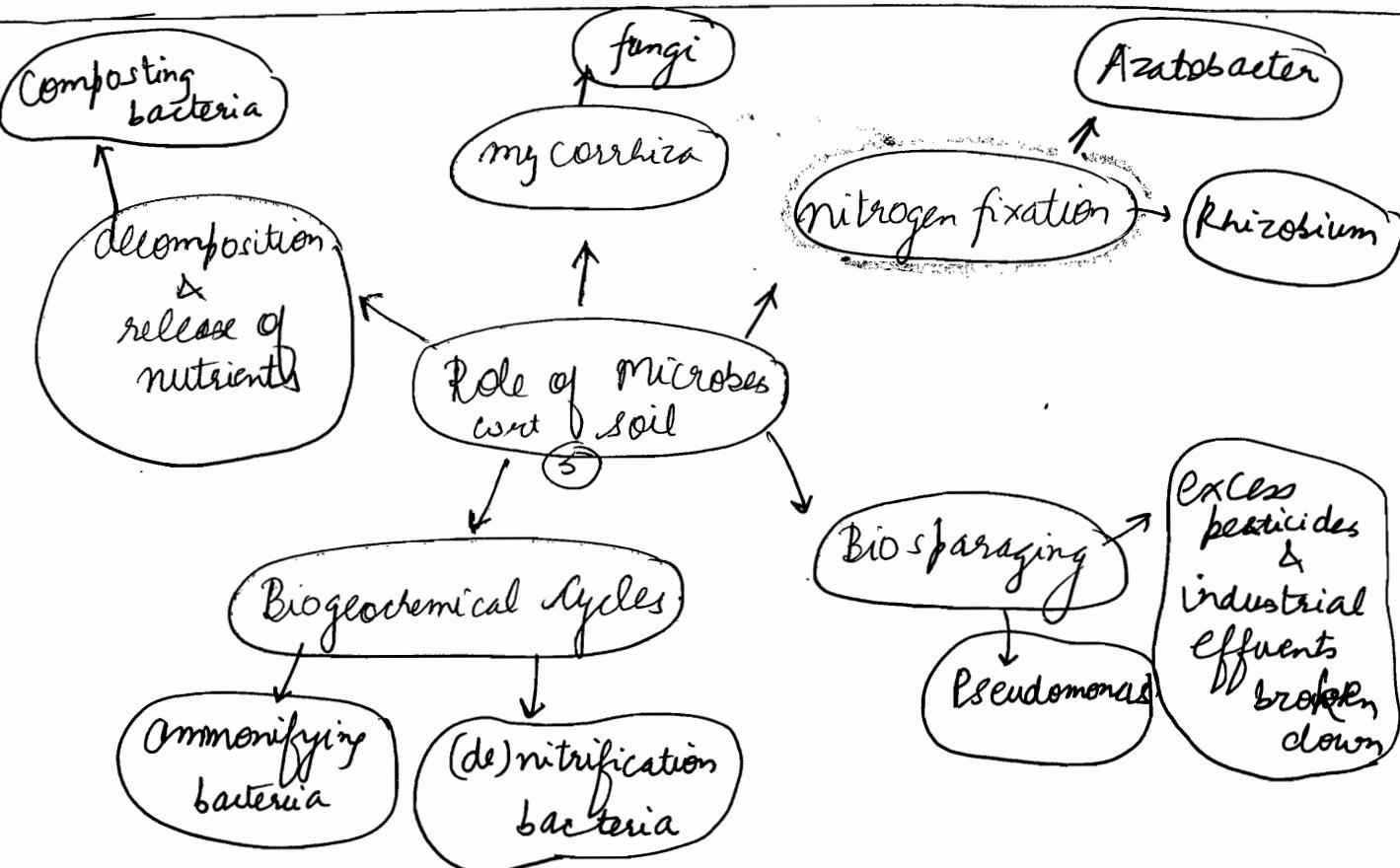
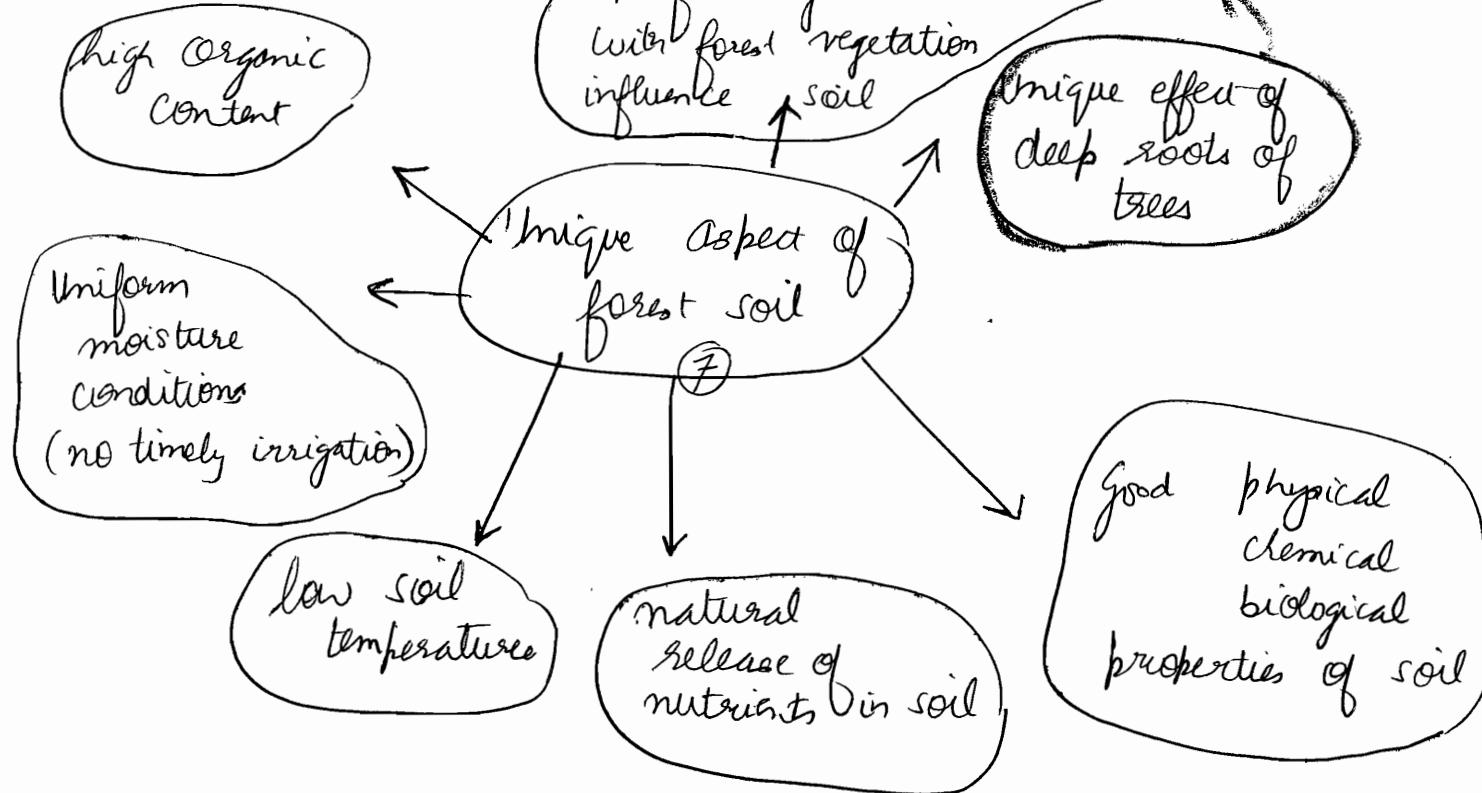


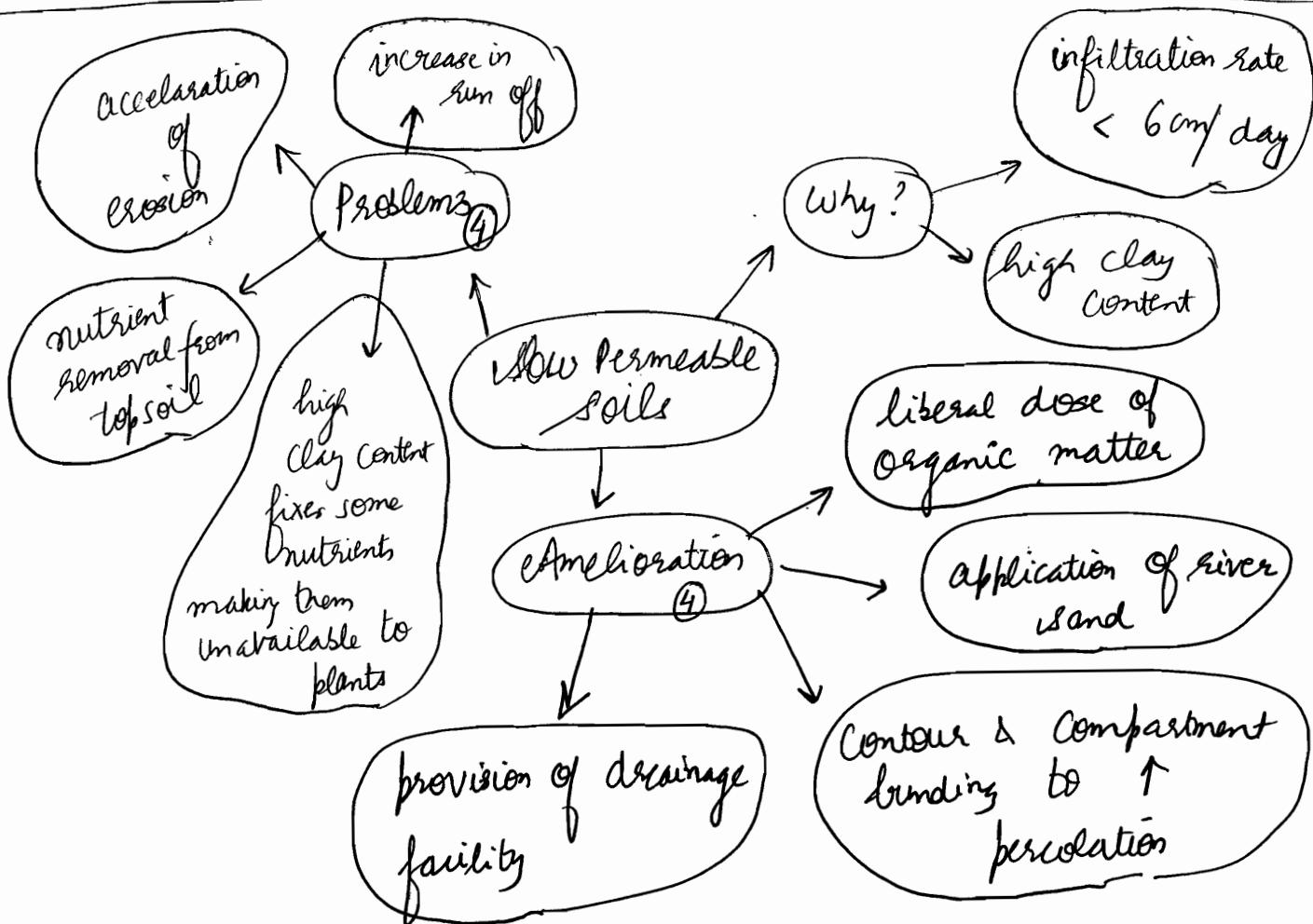
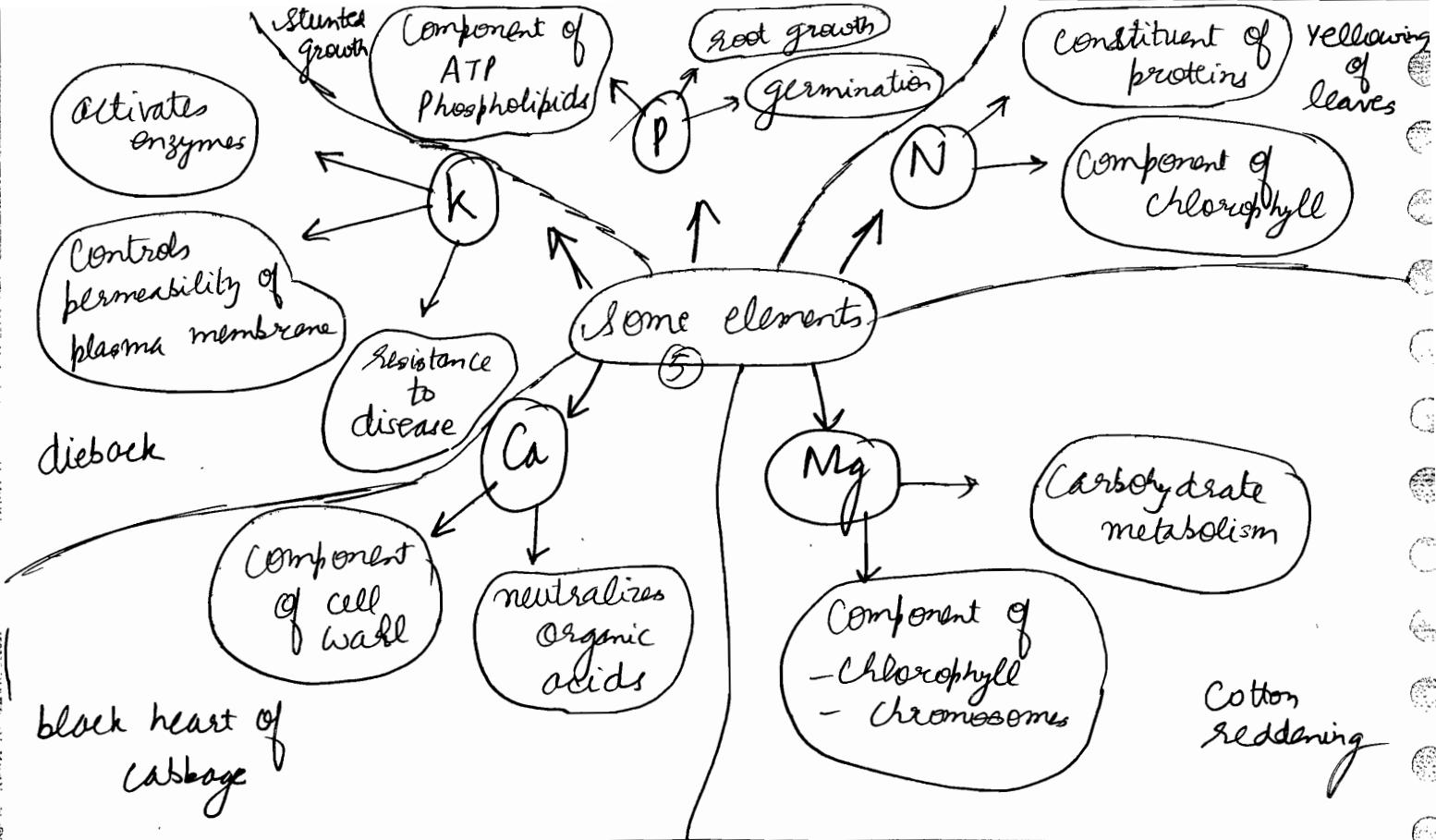


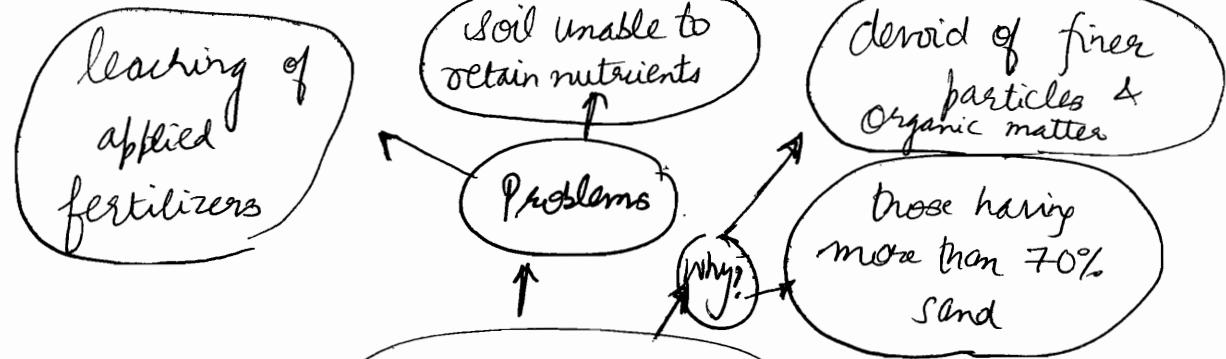
- mulching
- contour bund
- water conservation

★ Mangroves belong to Group 4B of Champion & Leib Forest Classification.

## Soil







Compacting the field with

- 400 kg stone roller
- empty coal-tar drum filled with 400 kg sand

8 to 16 times

Reduces non-capillary pores

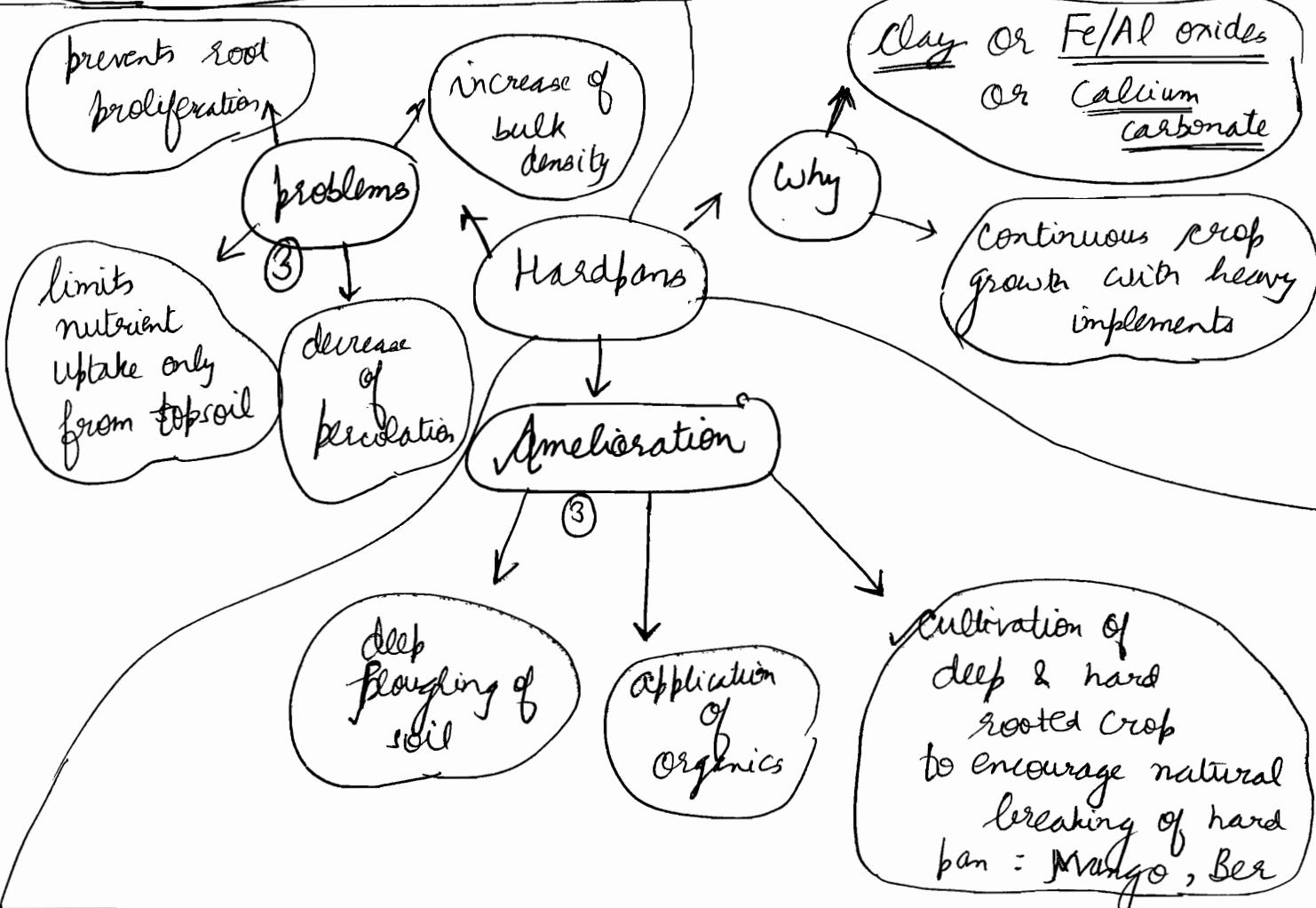
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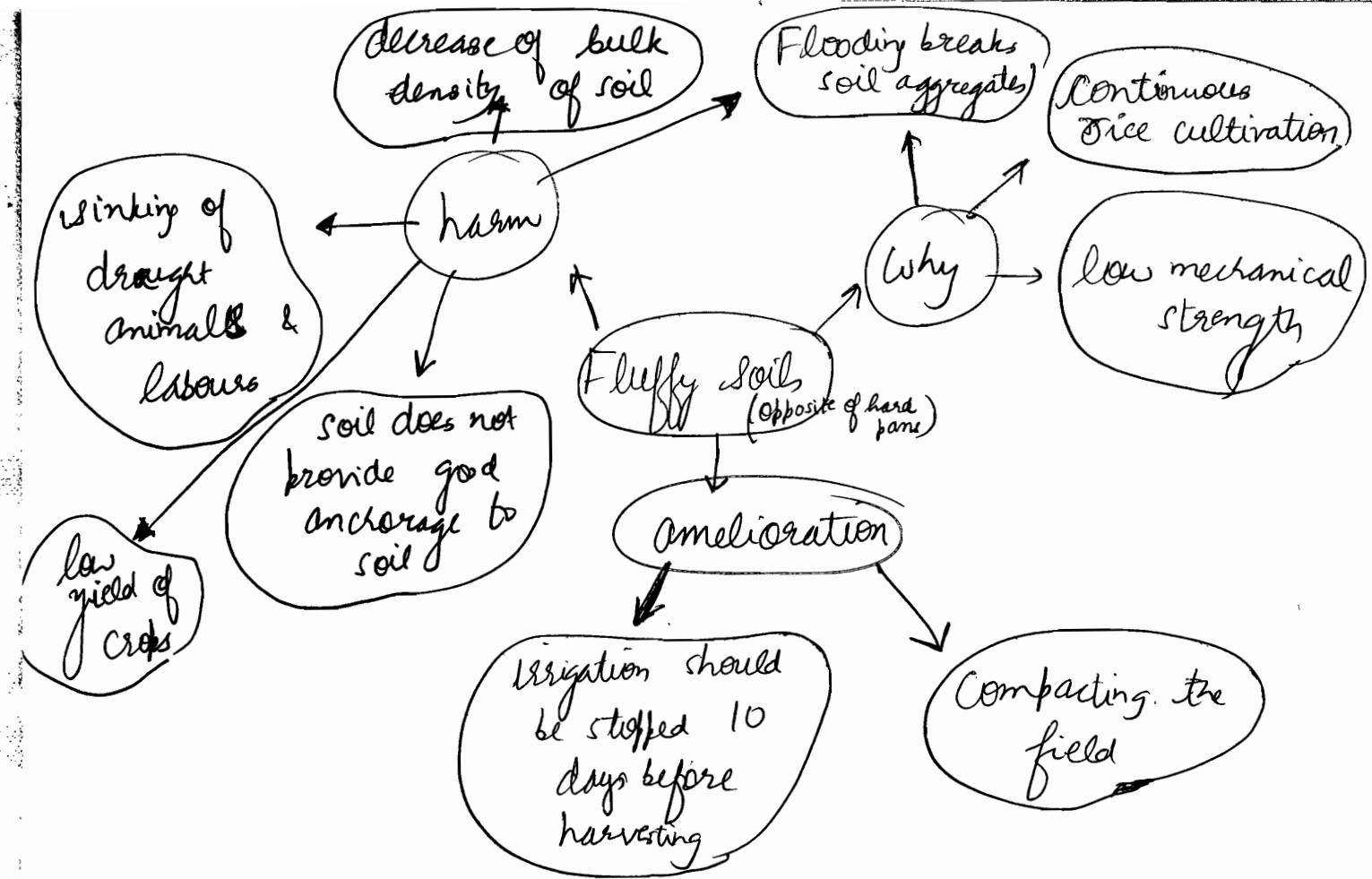
Amelioration

Application of clay soil

polythene sheets can be spread below soil surface

Fine dose of organic matter





Waterlogged soils :- depth of water table  $< 2\text{m}$

marshy land :- permanently / periodically inundated by water

- An area is said to be waterlogged when the water table rises to an extent that soil pores in root zone of a crop become saturated, resulting in

- restriction of normal circulation of air
- decline in the level of  $O_2$
- increase in level of  $CO_2$

- Causes of waterlogging

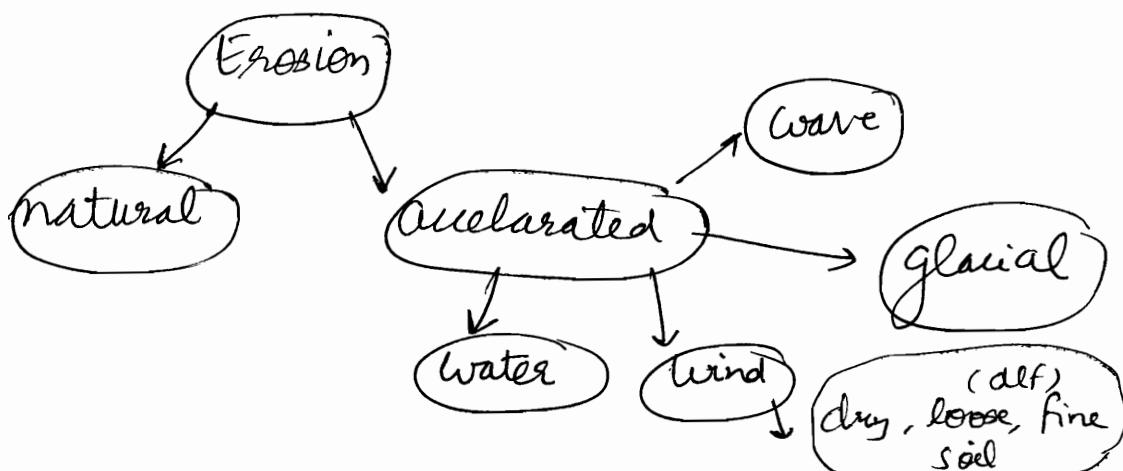
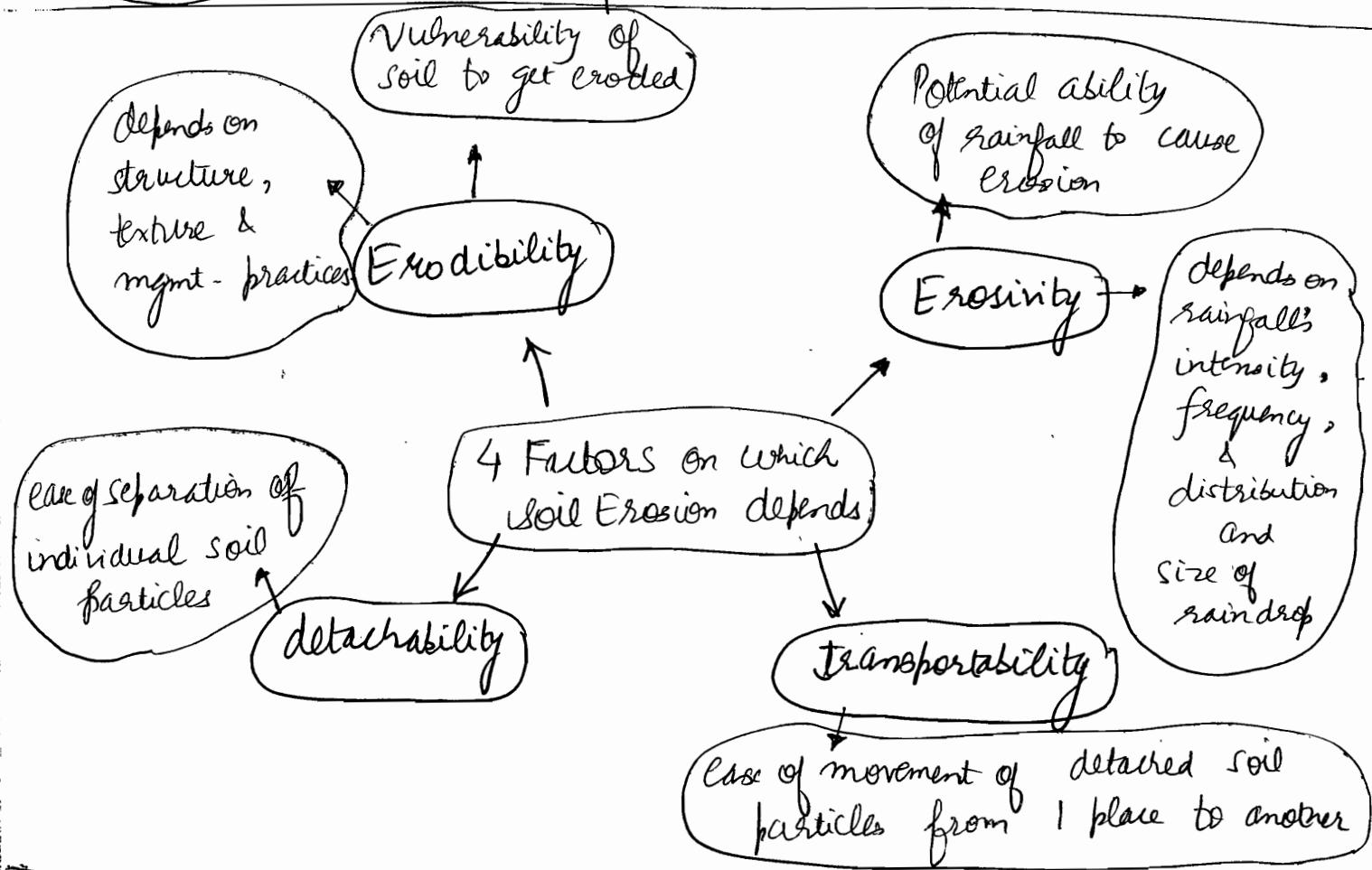
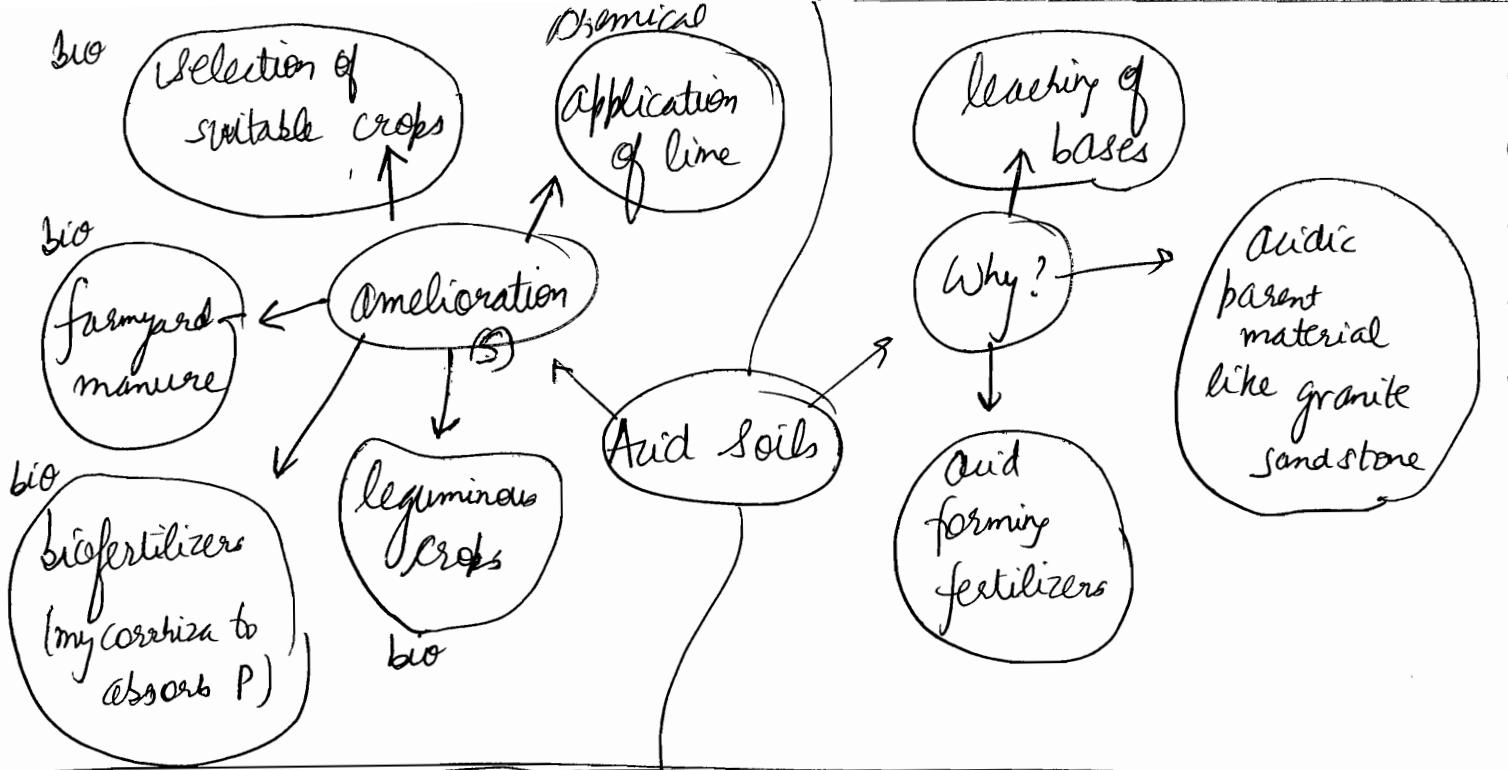
- excess irrigation
- excess rainfall
- improper drainage

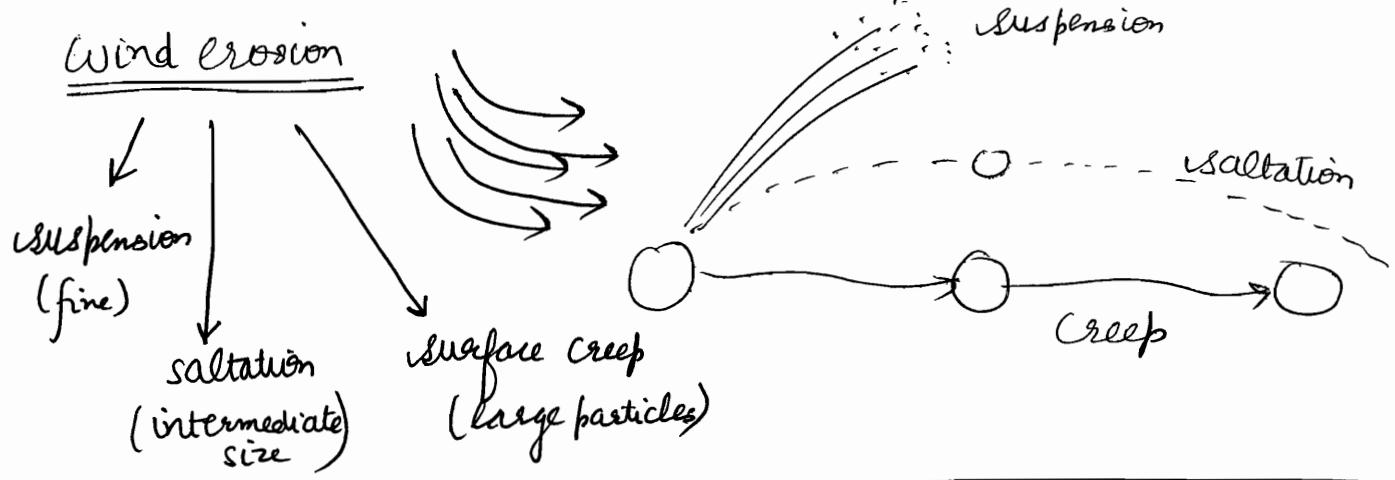
- Deteriorates soil structure.

- Alleviation of waterlogging / write for soil with low permeability
- provision of drainage
- appropriate land use : wet crops like rice, bamboo
- utilization of land for aquaculture



→ Alleviate :- To provide relief from pain  
 → ameliorate :- to make better, improve



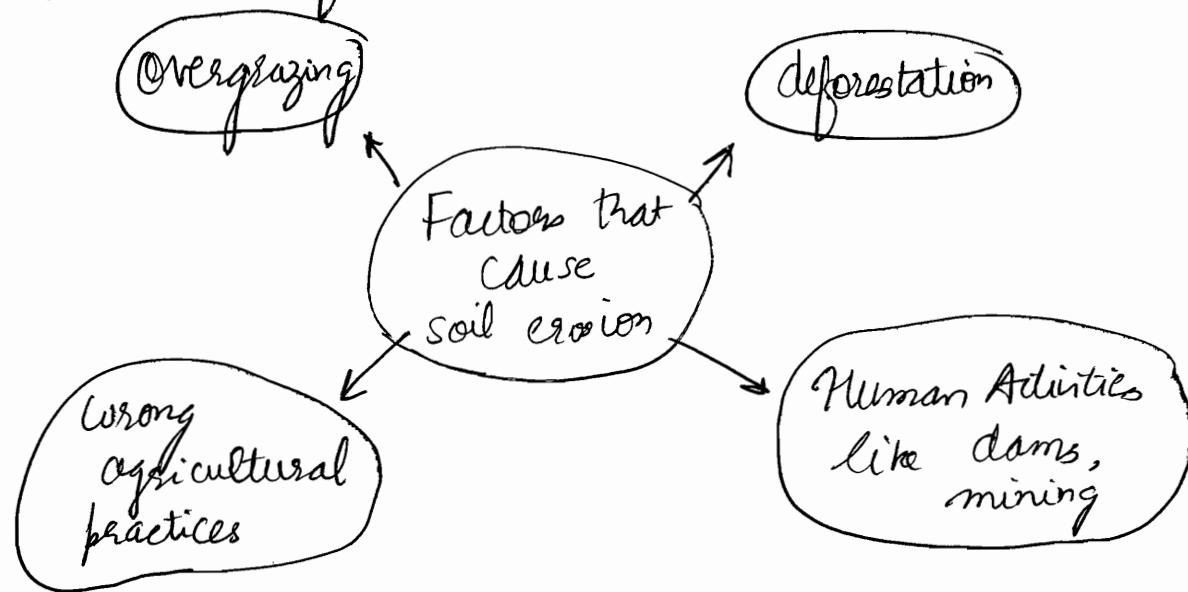


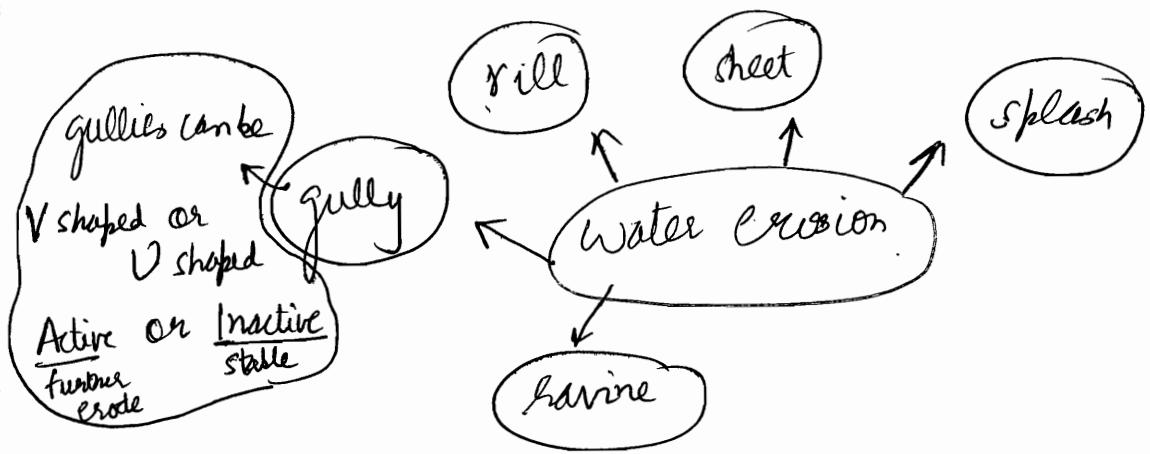
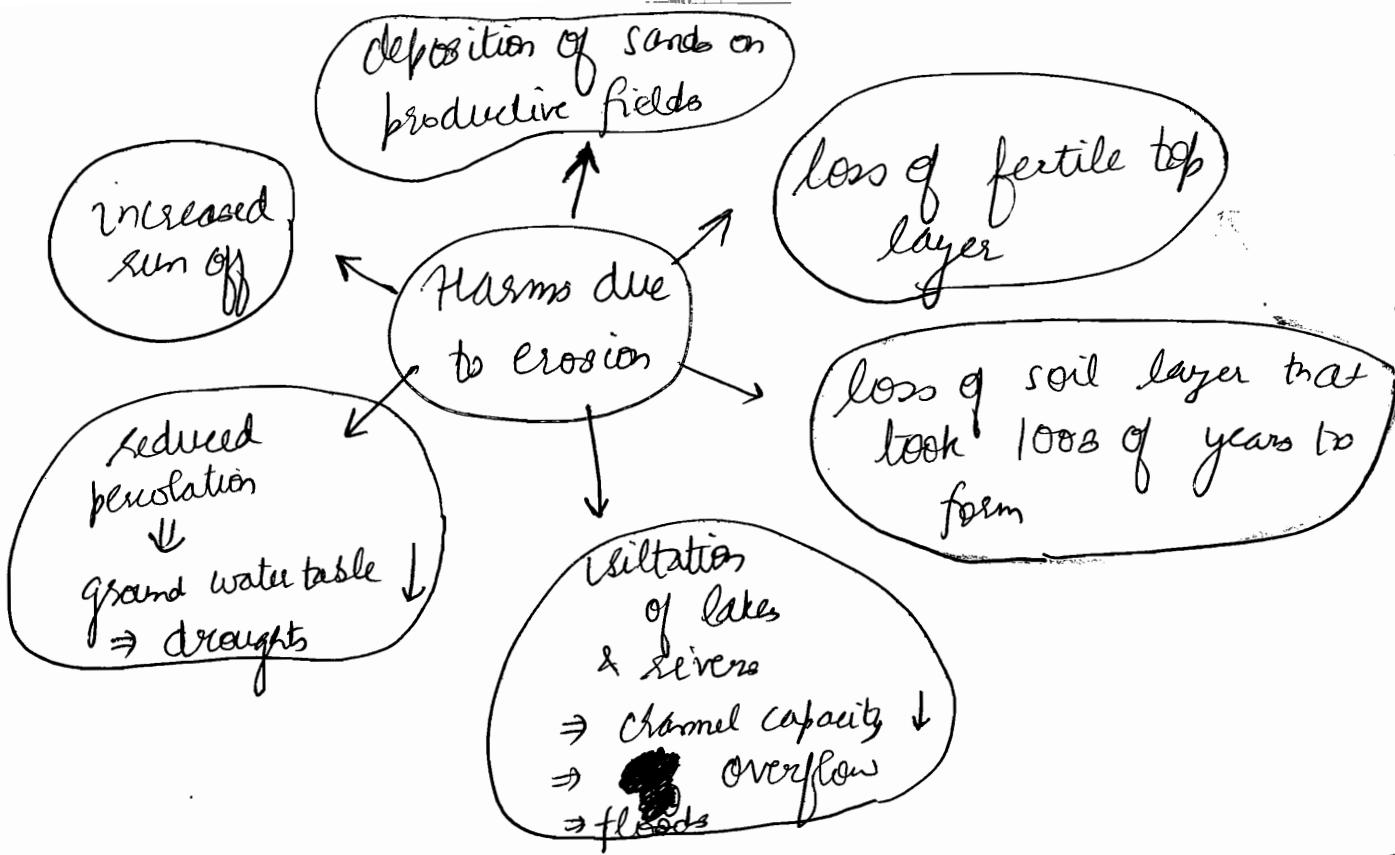
- - Arenaceous — rich in sandy soil
- - Argillaceous — " clayey soil
- - Calcaceous — " "  $\text{CaCO}_3$
- - Carbonaceous — " " Carbon

→ Soil fertility is the capacity of the soil to supply nutrients to crops in the form that can be utilized by plants.

→ Soil Productivity is the ability of the soil to produce a particular crop under a specific management system.

→ Soil erosion refers to detachment and transportation of soil material from one place to another, through the action of wind, water, ice, waves etc.



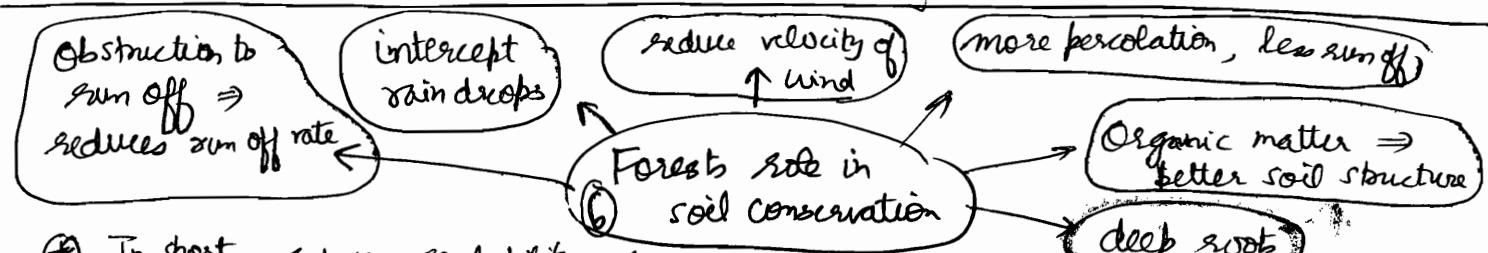


Soil loss equation :  $R \times k \times LS \times C \times P$

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Communist Party (Marxist) Erodability

erosivity      slope length      cover of vegetation      practices like terracing, bunding, contour farming

Agrological measures : Use of grass  
eg. Munja



★ In short, reduces erodability, detachability & transportability