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Review of: "Human Population Collapse Ahead: A Comparison of Demographic and System Dynamics Approaches"

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Overall, I think it is a very useful and very clear article. A few issues that could be addressed in future versions of the paper:

1. Also, the standard demographic models have their advantages; noting them could strengthen the argument.
2. For the graph in Fig. 4, parameter continuity is assumed. Wouldn't an adaptation of parameters make sense, at least after the famine struck?
3. The discussion of world population on one side and the population of a country on the other (e.g., Ireland) evokes an interesting methodological discussion. One could argue that globally, such glitches like local famines are smoothed out, which would make extrapolations independent of endogenous drivers more appropriate. But then Limits-to-Growth comes along and claims that there is a boundary to this averaging-out process...

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