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Rarefaction:

“A statistical interpolation method of rarefying or thinning a reference sample by drawing random subsets of individuals (or samples) in order to standardize the comparison of biological diversity on the basis of a common number of individuals or samples” ({{ ref\_intext\_gotelli\_chao\_2013 }})

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“A curve of rising biodiversity in which the x-axis is the number of sampling units (individuals or samples) from an assemblage and the y-axis is the observed species richness. The species accumulation curve rises monotonically to an asymptotic maximum number of species.” ({{ ref\_intext\_gotelli\_chao\_2013 }})

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“Species diversity”

A measure of diversity that incorporates both the number of species in an assemblage and some measure of their relative abundances. Many species diversity indices can be converted by an algebraic transformation to Hill numbers. ({{ ref\_intext\_gotelli\_chao\_2013 }})

“Species richness plays a fundamental role in much of modern ecological theory, and features in one of ecology’s few laws, the species-area relationship (Lomolino 2000)” ({{ ref\_intext\_wearn\_gloverkapfer\_2017 }})

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| Program | EstimateS | Dedicated software for estimating diversity, using asymptotic or rarefaction methods. Mac version available | <https://www.robertkcolwell.org/pages/1407> | colwell\_2022 |
| R package | Package ‘iNEXT’ - Interpolation and Extrapolation for Species Diversity | The [iNext package](https://cran.r-project.org/web/packages/iNEXT/) (INterpolation and EXTrapolation of species richness) - is both easy to use and rapid to compute. It also comes with a wealth of plotting functions - see the [iNext Quick Introduction](https://cran.r-project.org/web/packages/iNEXT/vignettes/Introduction.pdf) for a great walk through tutorial. Its core functionality is based on: [Chao, Anne, et al. “Rarefaction and extrapolation with Hill numbers: a framework for sampling and estimation in species diversity studies.” Ecological monographs 84.1 (2014): 45-67.](https://esajournals.onlinelibrary.wiley.com/doi/10.1890/13-0133.1) | <https://cran.r-project.org/web/packages/iNEXT/iNEXT.pdf> | chao\_et\_al\_2016 |
| Exercise/Tutorial | 2.2: Measuring Species Diversity | Easy to interpet explanation of species richness vs evenness, species area curves, rarefaction, and how to calculate diversity | <https://bio.libretexts.org/Courses/University\_of\_California\_Davis/BIS\_2B%3A\_Introduction\_to\_Biology\_-\_Ecology\_and\_Evolution/02%3A\_Biodiversity/2.02%3A\_Measuring\_Species\_Diversity> | gerhartbarley\_nd |
| R package / Tutorial | Species Accumulation Curves with vegan, BiodiversityR and ggplot2 | Software for interpolation and extrapolation of species diversity | <https://rpubs.com/Roeland-KINDT/694021> | roeland\_2020 |
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## Notes

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6-2 Community variance or β-diversity

When considering two (or more) communities, it is possible to calculate a state variable which reflects the differences between the communities or, more formally, the variance among the communities. We sometimes call this community variance “β-diversity” (betadiversity). This is useful, for example, for assessing the degree to which communities subject to different management differ (e.g. comparing an old-growth site, a selectively-logged site and a plantation forest site). This is sometimes called “across-site” β-diversity, because it is being used to assess community variance across heterogeneous habitat types.

β-diversity measures can also be used to assess community variance within single habitat types, at a smaller scale. This is sometimes called “within-site” β-diversity (although the distinction from across-site β-diversity may not always be clear-cut). This can be important because changes in community variance within a study site may reflect changes in the fundamental processes which generate biodiversity at local scales (such as habitat heterogeneity and the connectivity of populations).

β-diversity should also play an important role in spatial conservation planning, for example in designing networks of reserves. All else being equal, if β-diversity is high, it will be important to establish a network of reserves so that all species in the landscape are covered. On the other hand, if β-diversity is low and communities are similar across space, then a single large reserve may be the best option.

Communities can also be compared across time, rather than across space, giving rise to temporal β-diversity. This can be used to track how much, and how quickly, communities are changing at a single site over time.

Camera trap studies typically sample a large number of locations, making them highly suitable for quantifying β-diversity, but this has rarely been done (but see: Wearn et al. 2016). At least in part, this is probably because the importance of β-diversity is poorly appreciated amongst wildlife biologists and conservationists. In addition, there are many different ways β-diversity can be calculated, each with their own strengths and weaknesses, with no single best measure. This can be confusing and lead to “analysis paralysis”. In common with species richness, β-diversity is also dependent on spatial scale (Olivier & Aarde 2014). For example, some habitats such as logged forests may show high β-diversity (rapid community turnover) at fine spatial scales, but low β-diversity (homogenous communities) at coarse spatial scales (Wearn et al. 2016). Finally, interpreting and communicating measures of β-diversity can be hard, because they are often in meaningless units, or because they do not lend themselves directly to comparisons across different studies.

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Abundance, species richness, and diversity

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Species accumulation and rarefaction curves

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Using vegan to calculate alpha diversity metrics within the tidyverse in R (CC196)

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Species abundance tools in Genstat

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Field Ecology - Diversity Metrics in R

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Generating a rarefaction curve from collector's curves in R within the tidyverse (CC198)

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\*\*iNext Online\*\*

Software for interpolation and extrapolation of species diversity Rarefied Species Accumulation Curves (the simple way) tutoriall

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#### ::::::{tab-item} Analytical tools & resources

See also :bdg-primary:`**Species-accumulation asymptote <https://ab-rcsc.github.io/rc-decision-support-tool\_concept-library/02\_dialog-boxes/01\_10\_sp\_asymptote.html>**`

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| R package | R package “vegan | \- | <https://cran.r-project.org/web/packages/vegan/index.html> | {{ ref\_bib\_oksanen\_et\_al\_2024 }} |

| Program | EstimateS | Dedicated software for estimating diversity, using asymptotic or rarefaction methods. Mac version available | <https://www.robertkcolwell.org/pages/1407> | {{ ref\_bib\_colwell\_2022 }} |

| R package | Package ‘iNEXT’ - Interpolation and Extrapolation for Species Diversity | The iNext package (INterpolation and EXTrapolation of species richness) - is both easy to use and rapid to compute. It also comes with a wealth of plotting functions - see the iNext Quick Introduction for a great walk through tutorial. Its core functionality is based on: Chao, Anne, et al. “Rarefaction and extrapolation with Hill numbers: a framework for sampling and estimation in species diversity studies.” Ecological monographs 84.1 (2014): 45-67. | <https://cran.r-project.org/web/packages/iNEXT/iNEXT.pdf> | {{ ref\_bib\_chao\_et\_al\_2016 }} |

| Exercise/Tutorial | 2.2: Measuring Species Diversity | Easy to interpet explanation of species richness vs evenness, species area curves, rarefaction, and how to calculate diversity | <https://bio.libretexts.org/Courses/University\_of\_California\_Davis/BIS\_2B%3A\_Introduction\_to\_Biology\_-\_Ecology\_and\_Evolution/02%3A\_Biodiversity/2.02%3A\_Measuring\_Species\_Diversity> | {{ ref\_bib\_gerhartbarley\_nd }} |

| R package / Tutorial | Species Accumulation Curves with vegan, BiodiversityR and ggplot2 | Software for interpolation and extrapolation of species diversity | <https://rpubs.com/Roeland-KINDT/694021> | {{ ref\_bib\_roeland\_2020 }} |

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