Trait-based approach in ecology

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Scripts and data in R

Working directory

In which folder (working directory) you have your files?

```
wd=getwd() # get working directory
wd
## [1] "/Users/aurele/Library/CloudStorage/Dropbox/courses/M2TULIP/Master2/Data"
setwd("/Users/aurele/Library/CloudStorage/Dropbox/courses/M2TULIP/Master2/Data") # change to your favor
dir() # lists files
## [1] "AVONET.xlsx"
                           "basal area.R"
                                               "bry.tab.txt"
## [4] "climate.txt"
                           "clusters.rda"
                                               "community.rda"
## [7] "coordinates.txt"
                           "Data.Rproj"
                                               "droughtnet.txt"
## [10] "eesti reljeef.DAT"
## [ reached getOption("max.print") -- omitted 33 entries ]
```

Sometimes it is needed to give double backslashes: "c:\\mp\\doc\\"

Keeping track of objects in the memory, saving R objects

You can check what objects you currently have and remove unnecessary.

```
# Making some objects
a=3
diversity=c(18,27,10,22,25,8,12)
soil.ph=c(4.5,6.4,3.9,5.3,5.9,3.2,4.2)
soil.type=c("mineral", "mineral", "peat", "mineral", "mineral", "peat")
ls()
## [1] "a"
                   "diversity" "soil.ph" "soil.type" "wd"
ls.str() # more information
## a : num 3
## diversity: num [1:7] 18 27 10 22 25 8 12
## soil.ph : num [1:7] 4.5 6.4 3.9 5.3 5.9 3.2 4.2
## soil.type : chr [1:7] "mineral" "mineral" "peat" "mineral" "mineral" "peat" "peat"
## wd : chr "/Users/aurele/Library/CloudStorage/Dropbox/courses/M2TULIP/Master2/Data"
save(diversity,soil.ph,soil.type,file="my.data.Rda") # saving so tahat R can use later
## NB! Other software cannot read these files!
rm(diversity, soil.ph, soil.type) # removes objects not needed
ls()
## [1] "a" "wd"
load("my.data.Rda") # loads what has been saved in R
ls()
## [1] "a"
                   "diversity" "soil.ph" "soil.type" "wd"
```

Explore with ?rm how to remove all objects in the memory. WARNING, use carefully!

Answer

```
# currently we can still use this. Sometimes it is good to start your session with that expression
rm(list=ls())

# We now need to load our saved data again:
load("my.data.Rda")
```

Creating own scripts

Scripts are just text files with codes. In RStudio you can add new R Script file. When saving, use extension .R, for example my_first_script.R

Add comments for your own, and for others with # mark

Run your script by highlighting a part and then Cntr+Enter (=run!)

```
## My script,

# a is a variable ....
a = 5

print("Hello! This is my first script")
## [1] "Hello! This is my first script"

## end of my script
```

Save the text above to a text file with name "my_first_script.R".

Now we can call the same script.

```
a=NA
a
## [1] NA

source("my_first_script.R") # runs your script from the file
## Warning in file(filename, "r", encoding = encoding): cannot open file
## 'my_first_script.R': No such file or directory
## Error in file(filename, "r", encoding = encoding): cannot open the connection
a # a has been defined in the script!
## [1] NA
```

Conditions in scripts

Does something only if conditions are fulfilled. The proportion of script for which the condition applies can be given between special parentheses { and }

```
soil="peat" # try to change to "mineral"

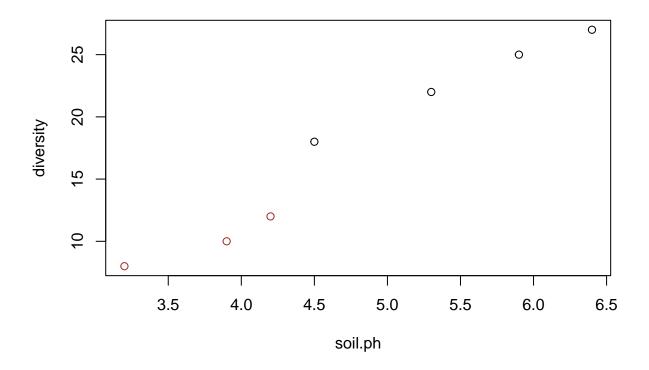
if (soil=="peat") {  # commands for conditions are between {}
  print("Has been wet")
}
## [1] "Has been wet"

answer=ifelse(soil.type=="peat","wet","dry") # conditions, if true, if not
print(answer)
## [1] "dry" "dry" "wet" "dry" "wet" "wet"
```

Use function ifelse with plot to have scatterplot between soil.ph and diversity and select symbol colors depending on soil.type

Answer

```
plot(soil.ph,diversity,col=ifelse(soil.type=="peat","brown","black"))
```



Loops in scripts

Loops will make a similar thing n times, for example with each element of a vector. The part of script which is repeated should be marked with { and }. Actually in R often you can avoid loops since you can have logical questions to whole vectors.

```
for (i in 1:7) { # i is index the loop is between {}
  print(soil.type[i]) # within loop you need to add print to get output
## [1] "mineral"
## [1] "mineral"
## [1] "peat"
## [1] "mineral"
## [1] "mineral"
## [1] "peat"
## [1] "peat"
for (i in soil.type) { # now i is an element of the vector
 print(i)
## [1] "mineral"
## [1] "mineral"
## [1] "peat"
## [1] "mineral"
## [1] "mineral"
## [1] "peat"
## [1] "peat"
soils.high.div=NULL
                     # NULL is empty object, but we can define it!
for (i in 1:length(diversity)) {
  if (diversity[i]>20) soils.high.div=c(soils.high.div,soil.type[i])
}
soils.high.div
## [1] "mineral" "mineral" "mineral"
```

Please make soils.high.div without loop.

Answer

```
soils.high.div=soil.type[diversity>20] # if possible, avoid loops!
```

Data frames

We can have a single table which can include different types of data (e.g. numeric and character). We can also specify a grouping variable factor. When createing a data frame, most non-numerical components are defined as factors. You can access individual columns of data frame by name or by number or defining with data_frame_name\$column_name

```
my.data=data.frame(soil.ph,soil.type,diversity) # creating data frame
my.data
##
   soil.ph soil.type diversity
## 1
      4.5 mineral
                            18
## 2
        6.4
             mineral
                            27
## 3
        3.9
                            10
                peat
## 4 5.3 mineral
                            22
```

```
## 5 5.9
              mineral
## 6
        3.2
                              8
                 peat
        4.2
                             12
                 peat
str(my.data) # Note that in data-frame texts are transformed to factors with numeric levels!
## 'data.frame': 7 obs. of 3 variables:
## $ soil.ph : num 4.5 6.4 3.9 5.3 5.9 3.2 4.2
## $ soil.type: chr "mineral" "mineral" "peat" "mineral" ...
## $ diversity: num 18 27 10 22 25 8 12
my.data[,2] # accessing by rows and columns
## [1] "mineral" "mineral" "peat" "mineral" "mineral" "peat"
                                                                  "peat"
names(my.data)
## [1] "soil.ph"
                  "soil.type" "diversity"
colnames(my.data) # same!
## [1] "soil.ph"
                  "soil.type" "diversity"
my.data[,"soil.type"] # accessing a column by name
## [1] "mineral" "mineral" "peat"
                                  "mineral" "mineral" "peat"
                                                                  "peat"
my.data$soil.type # accessing by $ symbol
## [1] "mineral" "mineral" "peat"
                                   "mineral" "mineral" "peat"
                                                                  "peat"
as.character(my.data$soil.type) # transforming factors to characters
## [1] "mineral" "mineral" "peat"
                                   "mineral" "mineral" "peat"
                                                                  "peat"
as.numeric(my.data$soil.type) # to text: factor levels!
## Warning: NAs introduced by coercion
## [1] NA NA NA NA NA NA
my.data$high.diversity=my.data$diversity>20 # adds a new logical column
my.data
##
    soil.ph soil.type diversity high.diversity
## 1
        4.5 mineral
                             18
                                         FALSE
        6.4
                             27
                                          TRUE
## 2
             mineral
## 3
        3.9
                             10
                                         FALSE
                peat
        5.3 mineral
## 4
                             22
                                          TRUE
## 5
       5.9 mineral
                             25
                                          TRUE
                                         FALSE
## 6
        3.2
                              8
                 peat
## 7
        4.2
                                         FALSE
                 peat
                             12
```

Reading and exploring data from text file

We generally read data from files. We can read text files by setting column limits (space, comma, semicolon etc.), defining headers (column titles), column for row names etc. etc.

Save file 'envir.txt' to your R working directory!

```
envir=read.table("envir.txt",header=T, sep=" ",row.names = 1)

# Let's explore the file!

ncol(envir) # number of columns
## [1] 12
nrow(envir) # ... rows
## [1] 30
```

```
dim(envir) # dimensions
## [1] 30 12
names(envir) # names of columns (colnames works as well)
## [1] "lon" "lat" "forest.types" "Jrk..nr."
## [6] "pH.KCl"
                   "N.."
                               "P.mg.kg"
                                             "K.mg.kg"
                                                          "Ca.mg.kg"
## [11] "Mg.mg.kg" "OA.."
row.names(envir) # if there are row names
## [1] "1" "2" "3" "4" "5" "6" "7" "8" "9" "10" "11" "12" "13" "14" "15"
## [16] "16" "17" "18" "19" "20" "21" "26" "27" "28" "31" "32" "33" "36" "44" "73"
str(envir)
## 'data.frame': 30 obs. of 12 variables:
              : num 26.5 26.4 26.4 26.3 26.2 ...
## $ lon
## $ lat
         : num 58.2 58.2 58.2 58.2 58.2 ...
## $ forest.types: int 1152 1131 1153 1512 1132 1132 1161 1162 1132 1161 ...
## $ Jrk..nr. : int 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 ...
## $ Proovi.nimi : chr "Vapramae" "Illi" "Vitipalu" "Konguta" ...
## $ pH.KCl : num 3.72 3.65 4.25 4.4 2.62 3.28 5.77 4.01 2.51 4.04 ...
## $ N..
              : num 0.425 0.136 0.25 2.319 0.37 ...
## $ P.mg.kg : num 31.6 22.3 58 63 25.6 ...
## $ K.mg.kg : num 79 42.7 60.7 131.2 131.6 ...
## $ Ca.mg.kg : num 370 154 649 11208 282 ...
## $ Mg.mg.kg : num 43.9 21.6 83.3 601.5 74.6 ...
## $ OA..
              : num 11.4 5.24 7.78 70.85 24.83 ...
head(envir) # just upper rows
## lon lat forest.types Jrk..nr. Proovi.nimi pH.KCl N.. P.mg.kg
## 1 26.45699 58.24387 1152 1 Vapramae 3.72 0.4246261 31.57133
## 2 26.43730 58.19846
                                    2
                         1131
                                         Illi 3.65 0.1364021 22.26459
                         1153
                                    3 Vitipalu 4.25 0.2500752 58.04788
## 3 26.41474 58.15658
## 4 26.27875 58.21060
                         1512
                                   4 Konguta 4.40 2.3192906 63.00445
                                   5
6
                                         Vehendi 2.62 0.3698321 25.62339
## 5 26.15339 58.22432
                         1132
                                          Erumae 3.28 0.2426881 16.21594
## 6 26.32119 58.28426
                         1132
     K.mg.kg Ca.mg.kg Mg.mg.kg OA..
## 1 79.04454 370.4051 43.87278 11.397929
## 2 42.73691 154.3332 21.64893 5.237742
## 3 60.71264 648.9929 83.34118 7.777811
## 4 131.18302 11208.0226 601.45503 70.845348
## 5 131.56542 281.8415 74.61169 24.833289
## 6 66.16427 260.2084 25.95761 7.988277
summary(envir) # short summary of each variable
## lon lat
                              forest.types Jrk..nr.
## Min. :26.11 Min. :58.09 Min. :1131 Min. : 1.00
## 1st Qu.:26.44 1st Qu.:58.17 1st Qu.:1132 1st Qu.: 8.25
## Median :26.78 Median :58.24 Median :1147 Median :15.50
## Mean :26.77 Mean :58.22 Mean :1194 Mean :18.70
## 3rd Qu.:27.02 3rd Qu.:58.27 3rd Qu.:1161 3rd Qu.:26.75
## Max. :27.42 Max. :58.36 Max. :1512 Max. :73.00
                     pH.KCl
                                                  P.mg.kg
## Proovi.nimi
                                     N.
## Length:30
                  Min. :2.510 Min. :0.1189 Min. :8.215
## Class:character 1st Qu.:2.965 1st Qu.:0.2207 1st Qu.:12.889
## Mode :character Median :3.525 Median :0.2575 Median :17.712
##
                   Mean :3.593 Mean :0.3812 Mean :25.488
##
                    3rd Qu.:4.010 3rd Qu.:0.3751 3rd Qu.:31.160
                    Max. :5.770 Max. :2.3193 Max. :65.774
```

```
K.mg.kg
              Ca.mg.kg
                                        Mg.mg.kg
                                                          OA..
  Min. : 32.93
                   Min. : 80.24
                                     Min. : 18.71
                                                     Min. : 4.871
##
## 1st Qu.: 66.69
                   1st Qu.: 225.05
                                     1st Qu.: 43.89
                                                     1st Qu.: 7.045
## Median : 80.91
                   Median: 430.02
                                     Median: 76.38 Median: 8.408
## Mean : 87.97
                   Mean : 817.52
                                     Mean :101.06 Mean :12.627
## 3rd Qu.: 98.67
                   3rd Qu.: 617.13
                                     3rd Qu.:105.18
                                                     3rd Qu.:11.693
## Max. :167.19
                   Max.
                         :11208.02
                                     Max.
                                          :601.46
                                                     Max.
                                                           :70.845
envir[1:4,6:12] # short subset
                N.. P.mg.kg
   pH.KCl
                              K.mg.kg
                                        Ca.mg.kg Mg.mg.kg
370.4051 43.87278 11.397929
## 2 3.65 0.1364021 22.26459 42.73691
                                       154.3332 21.64893 5.237742
## 3 4.25 0.2500752 58.04788 60.71264
                                        648.9929 83.34118 7.777811
      4.40 2.3192906 63.00445 131.18302 11208.0226 601.45503 70.845348
## 4
my.cols=c(6:9,5) # pH, N, P, K and site name
soil.data=envir[,my.cols] # subset by selected columns to new data.frame
head(envir[,-c(1:2,4,6:12)]) ## leaving out some columns (not "-" before "c")
## forest.types Proovi.nimi
## 1
           1152
                   Vapramae
## 2
            1131
                       Illi
## 3
            1153
                   Vitipalu
## 4
            1512
                    Konguta
## 5
            1132
                    Vehendi
## 6
            1132
                     Erumae
my.rows=envir$pH.KCl>median(envir$pH.KCl) # logical vector
my.rows
        TRUE TRUE TRUE TRUE FALSE FALSE TRUE TRUE FALSE TRUE FALSE FALSE
## [1]
## [13] TRUE FALSE TRUE FALSE TRUE FALSE TRUE FALSE TRUE FALSE FALSE
## [25] TRUE FALSE TRUE FALSE FALSE TRUE
high.ph.soils=soil.data[my.rows,]
low.ph.soils=soil.data[!my.rows,] # note !
high.ph.soils.1=subset(soil.data, pH.KCl>median(pH.KCl)) # subset function
high.ph.soils==high.ph.soils.1 # comparing all values individually
##
     pH.KCl N.. P.mg.kg K.mg.kg Proovi.nimi
## 1
       TRUE TRUE
                   TRUE
                           TRUE
## 2
       TRUE TRUE
                           TRUE
                                      TRUE
                   TRUE
## 3
       TRUE TRUE
                           TRUE
                                      TRUE
                   TRUE
## 4
       TRUE TRUE
                   TRUE
                           TRUE
                                      TRUE
## 7
       TRUE TRUE
                   TRUE
                           TRUE
                                      TRUE
## 8
       TRUE TRUE
                   TRUE
                           TRUE
                                      TRUE
## 10
       TRUE TRUE
                   TRUE
                           TRUE
                                      TRUE
## 13
       TRUE TRUE
                   TRUE
                          TRUE
                                      TRUE
## 15
       TRUE TRUE
                   TRUE
                           TRUE
                                      TRUE
       TRUE TRUE
## 18
                   TRUE
                           TRUE
                                      TRUE
                   TRUE
## 20
       TRUE TRUE
                           TRUE
                                      TRUE
## 26
       TRUE TRUE
                   TRUE
                           TRUE
                                      TRUE
## 31
       TRUE TRUE
                           TRUE
                                      TRUE
                   TRUE
## 33
       TRUE TRUE
                   TRUE
                           TRUE
                                      TRUE
       TRUE TRUE
                           TRUE
## 73
                   TRUE
                                      TRUE
```

```
all.equal(high.ph.soils,high.ph.soils.1) # comparing two objects
## [1] TRUE

sample(nrow(soil.data)) # random order
## [1] 30 3 8 22 9 26 13 5 28 24 12 27 15 6 19 1 18 16 25 10 29 7 2 21 20
## [26] 14 17 23 11 4

rand.soils=soil.data[sample(nrow(soil.data)),]
```

make a separate data.frame xy for coordinates lon and lat and site name.

Answer

```
xy=envir[,c(1,2,5)]
```

Writing data tables to text files

```
write.table(xy,file="coordinates.txt") # default settings
write.table(soil.data,file="soil.data.csv", sep=";", row.names = F) # own settings
```

R packages

R has some basic packages but you need to install packages for special tasks. Let's install package "readxl" which allows to read excel files.

```
# install.packages("readxl") # if you do not have this, please omit # and install
library(readxl) # even if installed, you should call the package library each R session with the functi
test=read excel("excel.xlsx")
test # a bit strange format
## # A tibble: 7 x 3
    soil.ph soil.type diversity
##
      <dbl> <chr>
                          <db1>
## 1
        4.5 mineral
                             18
## 2
       6.4 mineral
                             27
## 3
        3.9 peat
                             10
## 4
        5.3 mineral
                             22
## 5
       5.9 mineral
                             25
        3.2 peat
                              8
## 6
                             12
## 7
        4.2 peat
test=as.data.frame(test) # making a siple data.frame
test
##
   soil.ph soil.type diversity
## 1
        4.5 mineral
                             18
## 2
         6.4
                             27
             mineral
## 3
        3.9
                             10
                 peat
```

```
## 4 5.3 mineral 22

## 5 5.9 mineral 25

## 6 3.2 peat 8

## 7 4.2 peat 12
```

Manipulating data tables

How to merge tables and how to split tables.

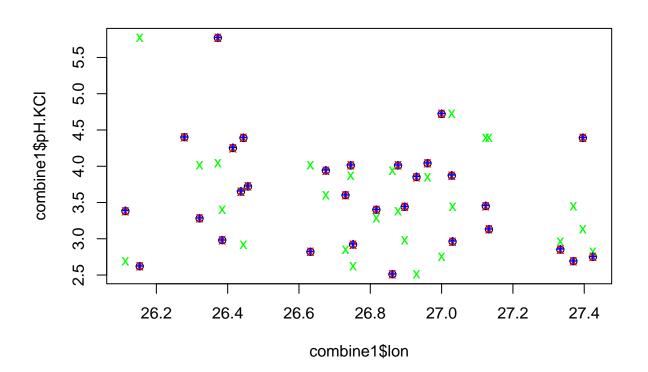
Merging data tables

Be very careful when merging data tables by combining them by columns: the order of the rows must be the same in both tables! It is a good practice to try to make some graphs to visualise and check manually some values to see that everything matches.

When reading files, be sure that these files are present in the working directory

```
# Cleaning the memory before starting
rm(list=ls())
## Reading files we saved last time:
xy = read.table("coordinates.txt") # default settings
soil.data = read.table("soil.data.csv", sep = ";", header = T) # defining delimiting character (here ";
## As we did last time, let's split soil data into two using the function subset
high.ph.soils = subset(soil.data, pH.KCl > median(pH.KCl))
low.ph.soils = subset(soil.data, pH.KCl <= median(pH.KCl))</pre>
combine1 = cbind(xy, soil.data) # putting together columns
head(combine1)
##
         1 on
                   lat Proovi.nimi pH.KCl
                                                N.. P.mg.kg
                                                             K.mg.kg Proovi.nimi
## 1 26.45699 58.24387
                          Vapramae 3.72 0.4246261 31.57133 79.04454
                                                                          Vapramae
## 2 26.43730 58.19846
                              Illi
                                     3.65 0.1364021 22.26459 42.73691
                                                                              Illi
## 3 26.41474 58.15658
                          Vitipalu
                                   4.25 0.2500752 58.04788 60.71264
                                                                          Vitipalu
## 4 26.27875 58.21060
                                    4.40 2.3192906 63.00445 131.18302
                          Konguta
                                                                           Konguta
## 5 26.15339 58.22432
                           Vehendi
                                     2.62 0.3698321 25.62339 131.56542
                                                                           Vehendi
## 6 26.32119 58.28426
                            Erumae
                                     3.28 0.2426881 16.21594 66.16427
                                                                            Erumae
combine2 = rbind(high.ph.soils, low.ph.soils) # putting together rows
dim(combine2)
## [1] 30 5
combine3 = cbind(xy, combine2) # trying again, but ....
plot(combine1$lon, combine1$pH.KCl)
points(combine3$lon, combine3$pH.KCl, pch = "x", col = "green") # adding points, symbol "x"
head(combine3) # note that site names from xy and new soil data do not match!!
##
                   lat Proovi.nimi pH.KCl
                                                N..
                                                     P.mg.kg
## 1 26.45699 58.24387
                          Vapramae
                                   3.72 0.4246261 31.571334 79.04454
## 2 26.43730 58.19846
                              Illi
                                     3.65 0.1364021 22.264589 42.73691
                                     4.25 0.2500752 58.047875 60.71264
## 3 26.41474 58.15658
                          Vitipalu
## 4 26.27875 58.21060
                          Konguta
                                    4.40 2.3192906 63.004453 131.18302
```

```
## 5 26.15339 58.22432
                           Vehendi
                                     5.77 0.2557405 8.214731 99.41711
## 6 26.32119 58.28426
                            Erumae
                                     4.01 0.2749614 13.283927 64.78593
     Proovi.nimi
## 1
        Vapramae
## 2
            Illi
## 3
        Vitipalu
## 4
        Konguta
## 5
        Porgumae
## 6
          Aardla
# The 'merge' function can help in merging two datasets that share a common column with unique identifi
combine3 = merge(xy, combine2, by = "Proovi.nimi") # merging by common column
head(combine3)
     Proovi.nimi
                      lon
                               lat pH.KCl
                                                N..
                                                       P.mg.kg
                                                                K.mg.kg
## 1
          Aardla 26.74540 58.32910
                                     4.01 0.2749614 13.283927
                                                                64.78593
## 2
          Aravu 27.42453 58.25486
                                     2.75 0.4787677 24.440573 107.38674
## 3
          Erumae 26.32119 58.28426
                                     3.28 0.2426881 16.215942
                                                               66.16427
     Haavametsa 27.36984 58.26345
                                     2.69 0.1794443 8.860196
                                                                65.97427
## 5
          Ignase 26.81712 58.26367
                                     3.40 0.2200201 37.057869 79.17404
            Illi 26.43730 58.19846
                                     3.65 0.1364021 22.264589 42.73691
points(combine3$lon, combine3$pH.KCl, pch = "x", col = "red") # now OK!
# an alternative with the function 'order':
combine4 = cbind(xy[order(xy$Proovi.nimi), ], combine2[order(combine2$Proovi.nimi), ])
points(combine4$lon, combine4$pH.KCl, pch = "+", col = "blue")
```



Community data: sites x taxa matrix

Community data is usually a matrix of $\mathbf{taxa} \times \mathbf{sites}$. In R it is tradition to have rows as sites (samples) and columns as species (taxa). In the field often the opposite direction is used in books, so be careful with this when transcribing your data into R. Here we read a table of forest floor vascular plants from 10x10 m plots.

```
vas.plants = read.table("vascular.plants.txt")
dim(vas.plants)
## [1] 79 30
vas.plants[1:5, 1:5] # taxa as rows, sites as columns
              X001Vapramae X002Illi X003Vitipalu X004Konguta X005Vehendi
## ACTAspic
                         0
                                  0
                                                0
                                                            0
                         0
## AEGOpoda
                                  0
                                                1
                                                            0
                                                                        0
                                                                        0
## ANEMnemo
                         0
                                  0
                                                1
                                                            0
                                                                        0
## ASAReuro
                         1
                                  0
                                                0
                                                            0
## ATHYfil.fe
                         0
                                  0
                                                0
                                                            0
                                                                        0
vas.plants = t(vas.plants) # transposing the matrix (replacing rows and columns)
vas.plants = as.data.frame(vas.plants) # transposing loose data.frame sturcture, putting back
vas.plants[1:5, 1:5]
                ACTAspic AEGOpoda ANEMnemo ASAReuro ATHYfil.fe
## X001Vapramae
                       0
                                0
                                          0
                                                   1
## X002Illi
                                0
                                                              0
                       0
                                          0
                                                   0
                       0
                                                   0
                                                              0
## X003Vitipalu
                                1
                                         1
                                                              0
## X004Konguta
                       0
                                0
                                          0
                                                   0
## X005Vehendi
                       0
                                0
                                                              0
image(t(vas.plants),
      axes = F,
      ylab = "Sites",
      xlab = "Taxa") ## Quick visualisation of a table
```

Sites

Taxa

```
apply(vas.plants, 1, FUN = max)
                                  # a function can be applied to each row (1) or column (2). Here we fin
                                    X003Vitipalu
     X001Vapramae
                         X002Illi
                                                     X004Konguta
                                                                     X005Vehendi
##
##
      X006.Erumae
                    X007Porgumae
                                      X008Aardla
                                                    X009Kurepalu
                                                                   X010Sarakuste
##
                                                                3
                        X012Vonnu
##
        X011Kannu
                                      X013Rookse
                                                     X014Kammeri
                                                                      X015Kambja
##
                                3
                                                4
                                                                3
                3
##
        X016Reola
                       X017Ignase
                                      X018Unikula X019Haavametsa X020Kruusahaua
##
                                                                3
##
        X021Aravu
                    X026Pedajamae
                                         X027Miti
                                                     X028Puhaste
                                                                   X031Pimmelaan
##
                5
##
                    X033Voorepalu X036Taevaskoja
                                                     X044Savimae X073Pausakunnu
       X032Logina
##
```

Use function apply and calculate max values for each taxon in the object vas.plants.

Answer

```
apply(vas.plants, 2, FUN = max)
                             ANEMnemo
     ACTAspic
                 AEGOpoda
                                         ASAReuro ATHYfil.fe
                                                                 BRACpinn
                                                                             CALAarun
##
          1.0
                                  2.0
                                                          1.0
                                                                      1.0
                                                                                  3.0
                      3.0
                                               1.0
     CALLvulg
##
                 CAREdigi
                             CIRCalpi
                                         CONVmaja
                                                     DESCflex
                                                                 DRYOcart
                                                                             DRYOexpa
##
          3.0
                      2.0
                                  2.0
                                               3.0
                                                          1.0
                                                                      3.0
                                                                                  1.0
##
     EPILangu
                 FESTovin
                             FRAGvesc
                                         GALElute
                                                     GERAsylv
                                                                 GYMNdryo
                                                                             HEPAnobi
          1.0
                      1.0
                                  2.0
                                               3.0
                                                          1.0
                                                                      1.0
                                                                                  3.0
```

```
##
     IMPAnoli
                 LATHvern
                             LUZUpilo
                                         LYCOanno
                                                     MAIAbifo
                                                                 MELAprat
                                                                             MELInuta
##
           0.5
                                   2.0
                      1.0
                                              5.0
                                                          3.0
                                                                       4.0
                                                                                   1.0
     MILIeffu
##
                 MOLIcaer
                             MYCEmura
                                         ORTHsecu
                                                     OXALacet
                                                                 PARIquad
                                                                             PTERaqui
##
           3.0
                       1.0
                                  1.0
                                               2.0
                                                           5.0
                                                                       1.0
                                                                                   2.0
##
     RANUcass
                 RUBUsaxa
                             STELholo
                                         STELnemo
                                                     TRIEeuro
                                                                 VACCmyrt VACCvit.id
##
           1.0
                       3.0
                                   2.0
                                               1.0
                                                           2.0
                                                                       5.0
                                                                                   3.0
##
     VEROcham
                 VIOLmira
                             ANGEsylv
                                         ANTHsylv
                                                     CAMPpers
                                                                             CAREglob
                                                                 CAREcane
##
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                       1.0
                                   1.0
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                 CREPpalu
                             DESCcaes
                                         DRYOfili
                                                     EQUIprat
                                                                 EQUIsylv
                                                                             GALEOPsp
##
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                       2.0
                                  1.0
                                              3.0
                                                           1.0
                                                                       2.0
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                             {\tt GOODrepe}
##
                 GALIpalu
                                         HIERvulg
                                                     IMPAparv
                                                                 LYSIvulg
                                                                             MELAnemo
##
           1.0
                       1.0
                                  1.0
                                               2.0
                                                           3.0
                                                                       1.0
                                                                                   1.0
##
     MELAsylv
                 MOERtrin
                             PHEGconn
                                          POAnemo
                                                     POLYodor
                                                                             PULMobsc
                                                                 POTEerec
##
                       1.0
                                   1.0
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                RANUauri.
##
     PYROmino
                             SCORhumi
                                                     URTIdioi
                                                                  VEROoffi
                                                                             VIOLcani
                                         SOLIvirg |
##
           1.0
                       1.0
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                                                           1.0
                                                                       1.0
                                                                                   1.0
##
     VIOLepip
                VIOLrivi.
           1.0
```

Long data format

Data matrices might have too many zeros since most taxa are rare. Because of this, a "long" format, with columns indicating site, taxon and some abundance measure is often used. Here we read an example of long format from trees in forest sites from an excel file.

```
library(readxl) # package to read excel files
data = read_excel("trees.xlsx")
data = as.data.frame(data)
                               # to make the file data.frame
head(data)
##
           ala nr rinne puuliik
                                 D1
                                      D2
## 1 008Aardla 1
                                 43 41.5 30.1
                     1
                            PN
## 2 008Aardla 2
                      1
                            TA 30.5 31.5 21.5
## 3 008Aardla 3
                     1
                            HB
                                 19 19.5 21.3
## 4 008Aardla
                      2
                            TM
                                  7 8.0 10.4
               4
## 5 008Aardla 5
                      2
                             TM
                                7.5 7.0 11.0
## 6 008Aardla 6
                      2
                                  8 7.0 12.4
                             TM
# ala = site, puuliik = species (codes of tree species)
tree.counts = table(data[, c(1, 4)]) # counts of occurrences (number of trees)
tree.height = xtabs(H ~ ala + puuliik, data = data) # sum of H (height)
str(tree.counts) # from function table we obtain a bit special format, we better make it a simple data.
## 'table' int [1:30, 1:12] 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 3 0 0 ...
## - attr(*, "dimnames")=List of 2
               : chr [1:30] "001Vapramäe" "002Illi" "003Vitipalu" "004Konguta" ...
     ..$ puuliik: chr [1:12] "HB" "KS" "KU" "LH" ...
tree.counts = as.data.frame.matrix(tree.counts)
str(tree.counts)
## 'data.frame':
                   30 obs. of 12 variables:
## $ HB: int 0000000300...
## $ KS: int 0 1 3 0 0 0 0 1 0 2 ...
```

```
$ KU: int
            3 1 8 8 0 8 5 0 3 6 ...
   $ LH: int
             00000000000...
             3 4 1 2 5 2 0 0 3 1 ...
##
   $ MA: int
   $ MN: int
             0000000000...
##
   $ PI: int
             0000001000...
   $ PN: int
             0000000100...
##
   $ RE: int
             00000000000...
             0 0 0 0 0 0 1 1 0 0 ...
   $ TA: int
   $ TM: int
             0 0 0 0 0 0 0 4 0 0 ...
   $ VA: int
            0000000000...
```

NA in data

For missing values in a table, NA is automatically used.

```
summary(data) # Note D2
                                                               puuliik
##
        ala
                                                rinne
                               nr
##
    Length: 239
                         Min.
                                 : 1.000
                                            Min.
                                                    :1.000
                                                              Length: 239
                         1st Qu.: 3.000
    Class : character
                                            1st Qu.:1.000
                                                              Class : character
    Mode :character
                         Median : 5.000
                                            Median:1.000
                                                              Mode : character
##
                                : 5.188
                         Mean
                                            Mean
                                                    :1.439
##
                         3rd Qu.: 7.000
                                            3rd Qu.:2.000
##
                         Max.
                                 :16.000
                                            Max.
                                                   :2.000
##
##
         D1
                               D2
                                                 Η
##
    Length: 239
                         Min.
                                 : 5.20
                                                  : 6.00
                                          Min.
    Class : character
##
                         1st Qu.:12.00
                                           1st Qu.:13.10
                         Median :24.50
                                          Median :22.00
    Mode :character
##
                                 :24.96
                                                  :22.40
                         Mean
                                          Mean
##
                         3rd Qu.:37.75
                                          3rd Qu.:30.85
##
                         Max.
                                 :54.00
                                          Max.
                                                   :44.30
##
                         NA's
                                 :9
complete.cases(data) # do we have real values for a row
                        TRUE
                              TRUE
                                            TRUE
     [1]
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                                     TRUE
                                                  TRUE
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                                                               TRUE
                                                                      TRUE FALSE
                                                                                   TRUE
    [13]
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##
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                                                                             TRUE FALSE
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    [25]
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                                     TRUE
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                                                         TRUE
                                                                TRUE
                                                                      TRUE
                                                                             TRUE FALSE
##
    [37]
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                        TRUE
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                                     TRUE
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                                                  TRUE FALSE
                                                                TRUE
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                                                                             TRUE
                                                                                   TRUE
                 TRUE
##
    [49]
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                              TRUE
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##
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##
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## [217]
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                 TRUE
                       TRUE
                              TRUE
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                                                         TRUE
                                                               TRUE
                                                                      TRUE
                                                                             TRUE
                                                                                   TRUE
```

```
## [229] TRUE TRUE TRUE TRUE TRUE TRUE TRUE
                                                                                                                                                                    TRUE
                                                                                                                                                                                     TRUE
                                                                                                                                                                                                      TRUE
data[!complete.cases(data), ] # not complete cases (note "!")
                                             ala nr rinne puuliik
                                                                                                                    D1 D2
## 11
                         073Sulaoja 1
                                                                            1
                                                                                                MA
                                                                                                              ü177 NA 24.9
## 20
                         073Sulaoja 11
                                                                                                              ü189 NA 23.9
                                                                            1
                                                                                                MA
                                                                                                KU ü166.5 NA 35.0
## 21
                            015Kambja
                                                        1
                                                                            1
## 24
                            015Kambja 5
                                                                            1
                                                                                                KS
                                                                                                              ü229 NA 36.4
## 36
                      007Põrgumäe
                                                          1
                                                                            1
                                                                                                TA
                                                                                                              ü174 NA 33.0
## 44
                               016Reola
                                                         4
                                                                            1
                                                                                                KU
                                                                                                              ü248 NA 34.6
## 77
                                                         9
                                                                                                                 ü82 NA 36.8
                       003Vitipalu
                                                                            1
                                                                                                MA
## 113
                         028Puhaste
                                                           2
                                                                                                MA
                                                                                                              ü203 NA 34.9
                                                                            1
## 129 031Pimmelaan
                                                                                                MA
                                                                                                              ü199 NA 36.4
                                                                             1
is.na(data$D2) # where we have NA values?
               [1] FALSE FALSE FALSE FALSE FALSE FALSE FALSE FALSE
                                                                                                                                                                                                     TRUE FALSE
            [13] FALSE FALSE FALSE FALSE FALSE FALSE
                                                                                                                                                 TRUE
                                                                                                                                                                 TRUE FALSE FALSE
           [25] FALSE FALSE FALSE FALSE FALSE FALSE FALSE FALSE FALSE FALSE
##
                                                                                                                                                                                                                       TRUE
       [37] FALSE FALSE FALSE FALSE FALSE FALSE TRUE FALSE FALSE FALSE FALSE
## [49] FALSE FALSE
           [61] FALSE FALSE
       [73] FALSE FALSE FALSE TRUE FALSE FALSE FALSE FALSE FALSE FALSE
       [85] FALSE FALSE
## [97] FALSE FALS
## [109] FALSE FALSE FALSE FALSE
                                                                                              TRUE FALSE FALSE FALSE FALSE FALSE FALSE
## [121] FALSE FALSE FALSE FALSE FALSE FALSE FALSE TRUE FALSE FALSE FALSE
## [133] FALSE FALSE
## [145] FALSE FALSE
## [157] FALSE FALSE
## [169] FALSE FALSE
## [181] FALSE FALSE
## [193] FALSE FALSE
## [205] FALSE FALSE
## [217] FALSE FALSE
## [229] FALSE FAL
```

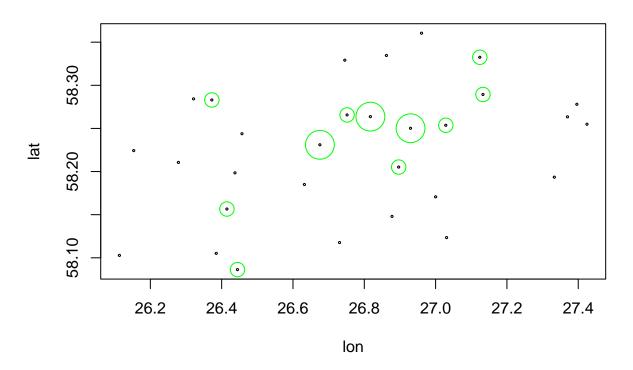
Combining community and site data

Before we analyse community and site data together, it is suggested to check if we have the same order in both tables. We can list rownames and site names side by side

```
# Checking that the order is the same
cbind(row.names(vas.plants), as.character(xy$Proovi.nimi))
##
         [,1]
                           [,2]
##
    [1,] "X001Vapramae"
                           "Vapramae"
   [2,] "X002Illi"
                           "Illi"
   [3,] "X003Vitipalu"
                           "Vitipalu"
## [4,] "X004Konguta"
                           "Konguta"
## [5,] "X005Vehendi"
                          "Vehendi"
## [6,] "X006.Erumae"
                           "Erumae"
```

```
## [7,] "X007Porgumae"
                          "Porgumae"
## [8,] "X008Aardla"
                          "Aardla"
## [9,] "X009Kurepalu"
                          "Kurepalu"
## [10,] "X010Sarakuste" "Sarakuste"
## [11,] "X011Kannu"
                          "Kannu"
## [12,] "X012Vonnu"
                          "Vonnu"
## [13,] "X013Rookse"
                          "Rookse"
## [14,] "X014Kammeri"
                          "Kammeri"
## [15,] "X015Kambja"
                          "Kambja"
## [16,] "X016Reola"
                          "Reola"
## [17,] "X017Ignase"
                          "Ignase"
## [18,] "X018Unikula"
                          "Unikula"
## [19,] "X019Haavametsa" "Haavametsa"
## [20,] "X020Kruusahaua" "Kruusahaua"
## [21,] "X021Aravu"
                          "Aravu"
## [22,] "X026Pedajamae"
                          "Pedajamae"
## [23,] "X027Miti"
                          "Miti"
## [24,] "X028Puhaste"
                          "Puhaste"
## [25,] "X031Pimmelaan" "Pimmelaan"
## [26,] "X032Logina"
                          "Logina"
## [27,] "X033Voorepalu" "Voorepalu"
## [28,] "X036Taevaskoja" "Taevaskoja"
## [29,] "X044Savimae"
                          "Savimae"
## [30,] "X073Pausakunnu" "Sulaoja"
# Species distribution maps
i=3 # id of a species
plot(xy[,1:2],cex=0.3) ## Coordinates of sites and small points
points(xy[,1:2], cex=vas.plants[,i]*2,col="green") # cex changes point size relative to 1
title(main=colnames(vas.plants)[i]) # adding title taking the i-th colname from the community data
```

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Some text manipulations

If we have names of sites and species, we might also need some text manipulations to cut, paste, search and replace parts of texts.

```
sites1 = row.names(vas.plants)
sites1
##
    [1] "X001Vapramae"
                          "X002Illi"
                                           "X003Vitipalu"
                                                            "X004Konguta"
    [5] "X005Vehendi"
                          "X006.Erumae"
                                           "X007Porgumae"
                                                            "X008Aardla"
    [9] "X009Kurepalu"
                         "X010Sarakuste"
                                           "X011Kannu"
                                                            "X012Vonnu"
## [13] "X013Rookse"
                         "X014Kammeri"
                                           "X015Kambja"
                                                            "X016Reola"
## [17] "X017Ignase"
                          "X018Unikula"
                                                            "X020Kruusahaua"
                                           "X019Haavametsa"
  [21]
        "X021Aravu"
                          "X026Pedajamae"
                                           "X027Miti"
                                                             "X028Puhaste"
   [25] "X031Pimmelaan"
                         "X032Logina"
                                           "X033Voorepalu"
                                                            "X036Taevaskoja"
  [29] "X044Savimae"
                          "X073Pausakunnu"
nchar(sites1) # how many characters (length of the text)
  [1] 12 8 12 11 11 11 12 10 12 13 9 9 10 11 10 9 10 11 14 14 9 13 8 11 13
## [26] 10 13 14 11 14
sites2 = as.character(soil.data$Proovi.nimi) # Making character from a factor data type
sites2
    [1] "Vapramae"
                      "Illi"
                                   "Vitipalu"
                                                "Konguta"
                                                              "Vehendi"
                                                "Kurepalu"
    [6] "Erumae"
                      "Porgumae"
                                   "Aardla"
                                                              "Sarakuste"
```

```
## [11] "Kannu"
                     "Vonnu"
                                  "Rookse"
                                               "Kammeri"
                                                            "Kambja"
## [16] "Reola"
                     "Ignase"
                                  "Unikula"
                                               "Haavametsa" "Kruusahaua"
                                  "Miti"
                                                            "Pimmelaan"
## [21] "Aravu"
                     "Pedajamae"
                                               "Puhaste"
## [26] "Logina"
                     "Voorepalu"
                                  "Taevaskoja" "Savimae"
                                                            "Sulaoja"
substring(sites1, 2, 4) # substring, from 2nd to 4th character
## [1] "001" "002" "003" "004" "005" "006" "007" "008" "009" "010" "011" "012"
## [13] "013" "014" "015" "016" "017" "018" "019" "020" "021" "026" "027" "028"
## [25] "031" "032" "033" "036" "044" "073"
paste(1:30, sites2, sep = "-") # pasting different texts (non-text will be converted)
## [1] "1-Vapramae"
                        "2-I11i"
                                        "3-Vitipalu"
                                                        "4-Konguta"
## [5] "5-Vehendi"
                                        "7-Porgumae"
                                                        "8-Aardla"
                        "6-Erumae"
## [9] "9-Kurepalu"
                                                        "12-Vonnu"
                        "10-Sarakuste"
                                        "11-Kannu"
## [13] "13-Rookse"
                        "14-Kammeri"
                                        "15-Kambja"
                                                        "16-Reola"
## [17] "17-Ignase"
                        "18-Unikula"
                                        "19-Haavametsa" "20-Kruusahaua"
## [21] "21-Aravu"
                        "22-Pedajamae"
                                        "23-Miti"
                                                        "24-Puhaste"
## [25] "25-Pimmelaan" "26-Logina"
                                        "27-Voorepalu" "28-Taevaskoja"
## [29] "29-Savimae"
                        "30-Sulaoja"
grep("mae", sites1) # numbers of cases with a search string
## [1] 1 6 7 22 29
sites1[grep("mae", sites1)]
## [1] "X001Vapramae" "X006.Erumae"
                                       "X007Porgumae" "X026Pedajamae"
## [5] "X044Savimae"
sites1[grep("\\.", sites1)] # some characters as "." "?" have a special meaning but we can search them
## [1] "X006.Erumae"
gsub("mae", "oru", sites1) # replacing a search string
## [1] "X001Vapraoru"
                         "X002I11i"
                                          "X003Vitipalu"
                                                           "X004Konguta"
## [5] "X005Vehendi"
                         "X006.Eruoru"
                                          "X007Porguoru"
                                                           "X008Aardla"
## [9] "X009Kurepalu"
                         "X010Sarakuste"
                                          "X011Kannu"
                                                           "X012Vonnu"
                         "X014Kammeri"
                                                           "X016Reola"
## [13] "X013Rookse"
                                          "X015Kambja"
## [17] "X017Ignase"
                         "X018Unikula"
                                          "X019Haavametsa" "X020Kruusahaua"
## [21] "X021Aravu"
                         "X026Pedajaoru"
                                          "X027Miti"
                                                           "X028Puhaste"
## [25] "X031Pimmelaan" "X032Logina"
                                          "X033Voorepalu" "X036Taevaskoja"
## [29] "X044Savioru"
                         "X073Pausakunnu"
```

Make a character vector from sites1 without leading "X"

Answer

```
substring(sites1, 2, 9999)
## [1] "001Vapramae"
                        "002Illi"
                                        "003Vitipalu"
                                                        "004Konguta"
## [5] "005Vehendi"
                                                        "008Aardla"
                        "006.Erumae"
                                        "007Porgumae"
## [9] "009Kurepalu"
                        "010Sarakuste"
                                        "011Kannu"
                                                        "012Vonnu"
## [13] "013Rookse"
                                                        "016Reola"
                        "014Kammeri"
                                        "015Kambja"
## [17] "017Ignase"
                        "018Unikula"
                                        "019Haavametsa" "020Kruusahaua"
                                        "027Miti"
## [21] "021Aravu"
                        "026Pedajamae"
                                                        "028Puhaste"
## [25] "031Pimmelaan" "032Logina"
                                        "033Voorepalu" "036Taevaskoja"
## [29] "044Savimae"
                       "073Pausakunnu"
```

Manipulating sets

We make a set of forest type codes. In the database we have 4 digits but we use a broader classification of three digits. Then we can find how two sets differ.

```
forest.types = read.table("envir.txt")$forest.types
forest.types
## [16] 1142 1142 1153 1132 1161 1511 1141 1132 1132 1161 1511 1132 1132 1511 1142
forest.types = as.character(forest.types) # numbers do not have meaning, just codes
forest.types
## [1] "1152" "1131" "1153" "1512" "1132" "1132" "1161" "1162" "1132" "1161"
## [11] "1161" "1142" "1161" "1141" "1161" "1142" "1142" "1153" "1132" "1161"
## [21] "1511" "1141" "1132" "1132" "1161" "1511" "1132" "1132" "1511" "1142"
forest.types = substring(forest.types, 1, 3)
forest.types
## [1] "115" "113" "115" "151" "113" "113" "116" "116" "116" "116" "116" "116" "116" "114"
## [13] "116" "114" "116" "114" "114" "115" "113" "116" "151" "114" "113" "113"
## [25] "116" "151" "113" "113" "151" "114"
unique(forest.types) # set of unique values
## [1] "115" "113" "151" "116" "114"
table(forest.types) # frequency table
## forest.types
## 113 114 115 116 151
## 9 6 3 8 4
# separating 2 groups according to soil pH
forest.types.1 = forest.types[soil.data$pH.KCl < 3]</pre>
forest.types.2 = forest.types[soil.data$pH.KCl >= 3]
forest.types.1
## [1] "113" "113" "114" "114" "113" "151" "113" "113" "151"
forest.types.2
## [1] "115" "113" "115" "151" "113" "116" "116" "116" "116" "116" "116" "116"
## [13] "114" "115" "116" "114" "113" "116" "151" "113" "114"
union(forest.types.1, forest.types.2) # from two sets (here same as unique of all)
## [1] "113" "114" "151" "115" "116"
intersect(forest.types.1, forest.types.2) # in both
## [1] "113" "114" "151"
setdiff(forest.types.2, forest.types.1) # in set 2 but not in set 1
## [1] "115" "116"
setdiff(forest.types.1, forest.types.2) # None!
## character(0)
is.element(forest.types.2, forest.types.1) # asking which in set 2 are present in set 1
## [1] FALSE TRUE FALSE TRUE TRUE FALSE FALSE FALSE TRUE FALSE FALSE
## [13] TRUE FALSE FALSE TRUE TRUE FALSE TRUE TRUE TRUE
```

Making our own function to combine two datasets

Sometimes we want to combine different files which include different sites but species composition do not match. I have not found a good function in R for that. But we can make our own functions!

```
# We start with some artificial examples, just two species in both sets
t1 = data.frame(a = c(1, 0, 1), b = c(2, 2, 0))
t2 = data.frame(b = c(3, 0), c = c(0, 4))
t1
##
     a b
## 1 1 2
## 2 0 2
## 3 1 0
t2
## b c
## 1 3 0
## 2 0 4
t2[, setdiff(names(t1), names(t2))] = 0 # adding now species only found in table1 to table2 as zeros
t1[, setdiff(names(t2), names(t1))] = 0 # same for table1
t1
##
   a b c
## 1 1 2 0
## 2 0 2 0
## 3 1 0 0
t2
##
   bса
## 1 3 0 0
## 2 0 4 0
rbind(t1, t2) # now mergind two tables (rbind looks names!)
## abc
## 1 1 2 0
## 2 0 2 0
## 3 1 0 0
## 4 0 3 0
## 5 0 0 4
# Let's make a function from script above!
tables.join = function(t1, t2) {
  # asking two tables which got names t1 and t2
  t2[, setdiff(names(t1), names(t2))] = 0
  t1[, setdiff(names(t2), names(t1))] = 0
 t12 = rbind(t1, t2)
  return(t12) # returns value from function
```

```
tables.join(t1, t2)
## a b c
## 1 1 2 0
## 2 0 2 0
## 3 1 0 0
## 4 0 3 0
## 5 0 0 4

t12 # objects within a functions are not kept in memory!
## Error: object 't12' not found
```

When using this function you can specify your input objects (let's imagine that these are called a.table and b.table) either by defining function parameters: tables.join(t1=a.table,t2=b.table), or just by position tables.join(a.table,b.table)

Saving community data for the future

```
save(vas.plants,
    tree.counts,
    forest.types,
    xy,
    soil.data,
    tables.join,
    file = "community.rda")
```

Presenting data

Default plots in R are generally very basic and not very suitable for publication. However, one of the characteristics of R is that plots are highly customizable, so that you can basically create any plot you are able to think of as long as you are able to write the necessary code. In this lecture we are going to explore a few ways to make our plots look a bit better.

Copy to and from clipboard

```
load("community.rda")
soil.data[1:5,]
   pH.KCl
               N.. P.mg.kg
                           K.mg.kg Proovi.nimi
Vapramae
## 2  3.65  0.1364021  22.26459  42.73691
                                          Illi
## 3  4.25  0.2500752  58.04788  60.71264
                                       Vitipalu
      4.40 2.3192906 63.00445 131.18302
                                       Konguta
      2.62 0.3698321 25.62339 131.56542
                                        Vehendi
## 5
library(clipr)
```

```
write_clip(soil.data[1:5,]) ## you can paste now to excel or word!

#While the write_clip alternative should work for all systems, Windows users can also try this (which d

# write.table(soil.data[1:5,], "clipboard", sep="\t")

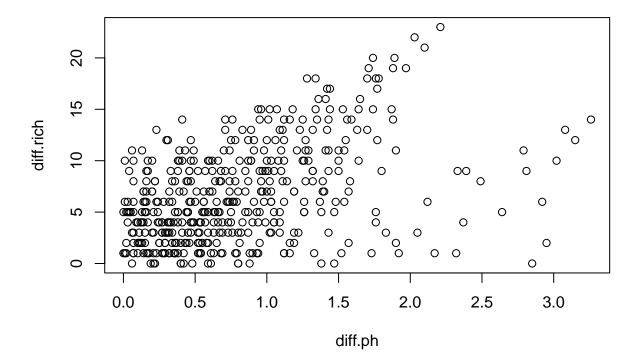
#Now we can read from the memory (whatever it is in the computer clipboard):
read.table("clipboard")

o <- cor(soil.data[, -5])
o
write_clip(round(o, 3))

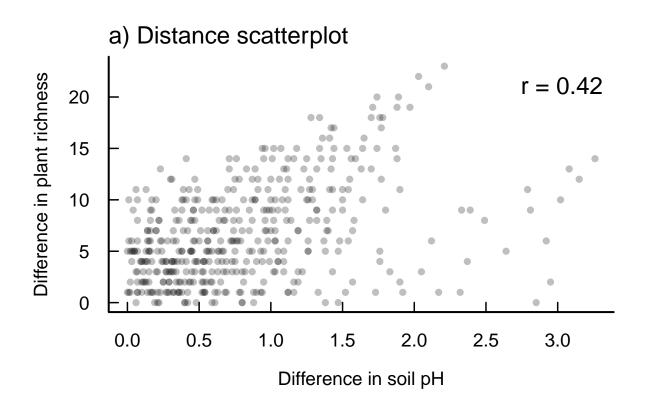
# Paste to your work now!</pre>
```

Some tricks and tips with graphs

```
diff.ph <- dist(soil.data$pH.KCl)
diff.rich <- dist(rowSums(vas.plants > 0))
plot(diff.ph, diff.rich) # an ugly plot.
```



```
# The axis titles are not very informative, and the text is quite small
# Lots of overlapping points, it is hard to see where there is more density of points
# Units in y axis are written in vertical, but horizontal is a bit easier to read (and often required)
# Many times we dont want a full box around our plot
# It would be better to have a title
# We could include some summary statistic, for example the correlation
# Making it better step by step
plot(diff.ph,diff.rich,
     xlab="Difference in soil pH",
     ylab="Difference in plant richness",
     cex.lab=1.2, # size of axis labels
     pch=16, # dots
     col=rgb(0,0,0,0.25), # grey semi-transparent color
     axes=F) # no axes, we will add them later
axis(side = 1, #Axis 1. 1 means bottom; 2 is left, 3 is top, 4 is right
     lwd = 1.5, #lwd controls axis thickness
     cex.axis = 1.2, # cex.axis change font size
     tcl = 0.5) # tcl determines size and orientation of tickmarks
axis(2, lwd = 1.5, cex.axis = 1.2, las = 1, tcl = 0.5) # same for y axis, las=1 give axis numbers horiz
box(lwd = 2, bty = "1") # making axes lines
mtext(paste0(letters[1], ") Distance scatterplot"), # adding title (you could use LETTERS for capital
      side = 3, # same as with axis: 3 is "top"
      cex = 1.5, # size of text
      line = 0.5, #how much above the plot we want it
      adj = 0) # left-justified (0.5 is centered, 1 is right)
r <- round(cor(diff.ph, diff.rich), 2)
legend("topright", #you can also use x and y coordinates, but this is more general
       legend = paste("r =", r),
       bty = "n", #we dont want a box around the legend
       cex = 1.5)
```



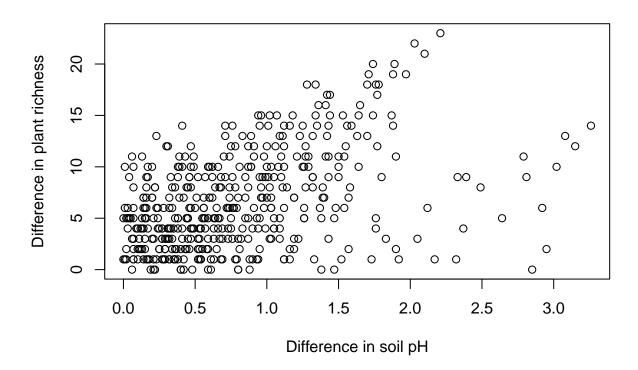
Identifying coordinates and points from graph

```
## Find coordinates by clicking on the graph (number is how many)
locator(1)

## Find a point (same things as in inital plot). Esc for ending
identify(dist(soil.data$pH.KCl), dist(rowSums(vas.plants > 0)))
```

Graph windowns size and margins

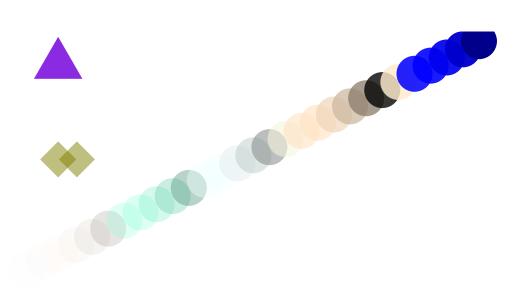
```
plot(diff.ph, diff.rich,
     xlab = "Difference in soil pH",
     ylab = "Difference in plant richness")
```



##

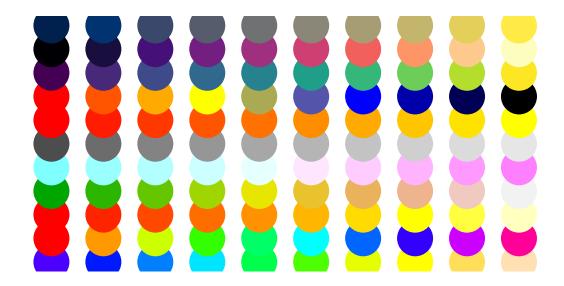
Colors

```
plot(
 NA,
 xlim = c(0, 1),
 ylim = c(0, 1),
  axes = F,
 xlab = ""
 ylab = ""
) # An empty plot that we will fill
colors()[1:50] # color names
## [1] "white"
                          "aliceblue"
                                           "antiquewhite"
                                                             "antiquewhite1"
## [5] "antiquewhite2"
                         "antiquewhite3"
                                           "antiquewhite4"
                                                             "aquamarine"
## [9] "aquamarine1"
                         "aquamarine2"
                                           "aguamarine3"
                                                             "aquamarine4"
## [13] "azure"
                          "azure1"
                                           "azure2"
                                                             "azure3"
## [17] "azure4"
                          "beige"
                                           "bisque"
                                                             "bisque1"
## [21] "bisque2"
                                           "bisque4"
                                                             "black"
                         "bisque3"
## [25] "blanchedalmond" "blue"
                                           "blue1"
                                                             "blue2"
## [29] "blue3"
                         "blue4"
                                           "blueviolet"
                                                             "brown"
## [33] "brown1"
                         "brown2"
                                           "brown3"
                                                             "brown4"
## [37] "burlywood"
                         "burlywood1"
                                           "burlywood2"
                                                             "burlywood3"
## [41] "burlywood4"
                         "cadetblue"
                                           "cadetblue1"
                                                             "cadetblue2"
## [45] "cadetblue3"
                                           "chartreuse"
                         "cadetblue4"
                                                             "chartreuse1"
## [49] "chartreuse2"
                         "chartreuse3"
colUse <- "blueviolet"</pre>
points(0.1, 0.9, pch = 17, cex = 5, col = colUse)
# Transparency by using rgb (red, green, blue) and transparency measure alpha
colUse = rgb(0.5, 0.5, 0, alpha = 0.5)
points(c(0.1, 0.14), c(0.5, 0.5), pch = 18, cex = 5, col = colUse)
# Making a color name semi-transparent
index <- 1
for (i in seq(0, 1, length = 30)) {
  col.t = as.vector(col2rgb(colors()[index])) / 255
  col = rgb(col.t[1], col.t[2], col.t[3], alpha = i) # alpha is defining transparency (0....1)
  points(i, i, pch = 16, cex = 5, col = col)
  index <- index + 1</pre>
```



```
# Color palettes
plot(NA, xlim = c(1, 10), ylim = c(1, 11), axes = F, xlab = "", ylab = "")
topo.colors(10)
## [1] "#4C00FF" "#0019FF" "#0080FF" "#00E5FF" "#00FF4D" "#4DFF00" "#E6FF00"
## [8] "#FFFF00" "#FFDE59" "#FFE0B3"
points(1:10, rep(1, 10), col = topo.colors(10)[1:10], pch = 16, cex = 5)
points(1:10, rep(2, 10), col = rainbow(10)[1:10], pch = 16, cex = 5)
points(1:10, rep(3, 10), col = heat.colors(10)[1:10], pch = 16, cex = 5)
points(1:10, rep(4, 10), col = terrain.colors(10)[1:10], pch = 16, cex = 5)
points(1:10, rep(5, 10), col = cm.colors(10)[1:10], pch = 16, cex = 5)
points(1:10, rep(6, 10), col = gray.colors(10)[1:10], pch = 16, cex = 5)
# mixing own colors
points(1:10, rep(7, 10), col = colorRampPalette(c("red", "yellow"))(10)[1:10],
       pch = 16, cex = 5)
points(1:10, rep(8, 10), col = colorRampPalette(c("red", "yellow", "blue", "black"))(10)[1:10],
       pch = 16, cex = 5)
library(viridis)
# visible in grey tones as well! Seen by color-blind people!
points(1:10, rep(9, 10), col = viridis(10)[1:10], pch = 16, cex = 5)
```

```
points(1:10, rep(10, 10), col = magma(10)[1:10], pch = 16, cex = 5)
points(1:10, rep(11, 10), col = cividis(10)[1:10], pch = 16, cex = 5)
```



Several graphs together

We have already explored par(mfrow = c(2, 2)) but sometimes we need more complicated designs.

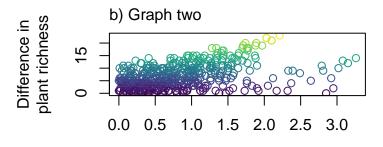
```
2 3
```

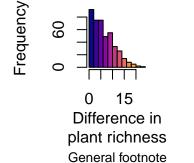
```
par(cex = 1) # Select general size factor
par(mar = c(0, 0, 0, 0)) # margins for each of the individual graphs (bottom, left, top, right)
library(maps) # global maps
map("world", fill = T, col = cividis(12), border = F, ylim = c(-60, 85))
box()
mtext("a) Graph one", 3, adj = 0, line = 0.5)
par(mar=c(4,6,1,1)) # we give more space for axis titles
plot(diff.ph,diff.rich,
    xlab="Difference in soil pH",
     ylab="Difference in\nplant richness",
     col=viridis(24)[diff.rich+1])
mtext("b) Graph two",3,adj=0,line=0.5)
hist(diff.rich,main="",xlab="Difference in\nplant richness", col=plasma(12))
mtext("c) Graph three",3,adj=0,line=0.5)
mtext("General title", 3, outer = T, line = 0, cex = 1.5)
mtext("General footnote", 1, outer = T, line = 0, cex = 0.8, adj = 1)
```

General title

a) Graph one

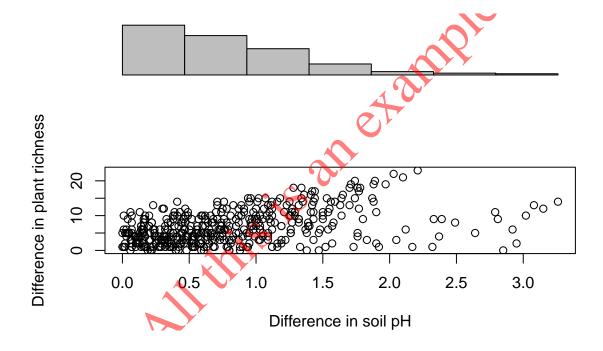






c) Graph three

```
Difference in soil pH
```



Saving graphs to files

```
pdf("my.graph.pdf", width = 12, height = 12) # size in inches

## Copy your three graphs here

dev.off() # closing (saving) pdf file

## pdf
## 2

png("my.graph.png", width = 6, height = 6, units = "in", res = 600) # resolution dpi

## Copy graphs on top of each other here

dev.off() # closing

## pdf
## pdf
## 2
```