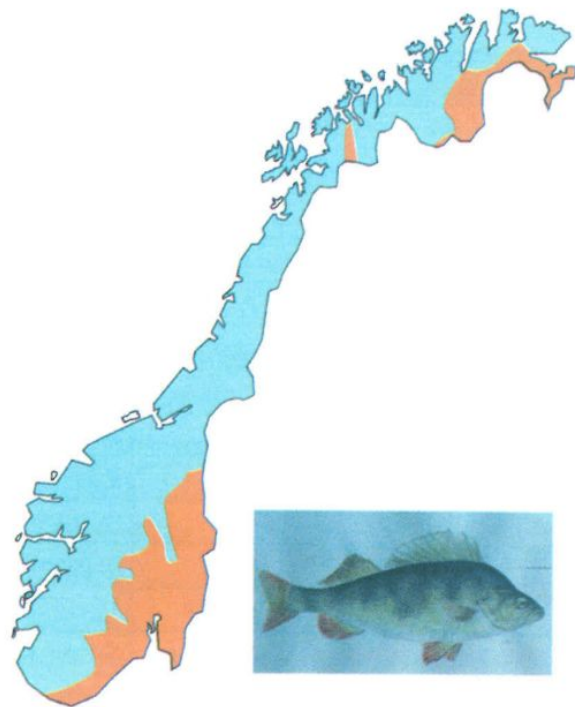




# Community Ecology with GLLVMs (Day One)



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Variable choice

Species associations



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## **Collinear covariates**

Often environmental covariates will be highly collinear

Are you looking at direct effects of the environment?

Or are you trying to explain as much variation as possible....





## Using Collinear Covariates

We don't want linear variables  
that clearly correspond to  
measurable covariates



## **Breakout Suggestions**

Question 1: Related to what we've talked about

Question 2: What we're going to talk about in the second half of this session



## **What is a Species Association?**

Can it ever be more than a shared response to an environmental covariate?



Competition - product of species interacting or lack of resource?



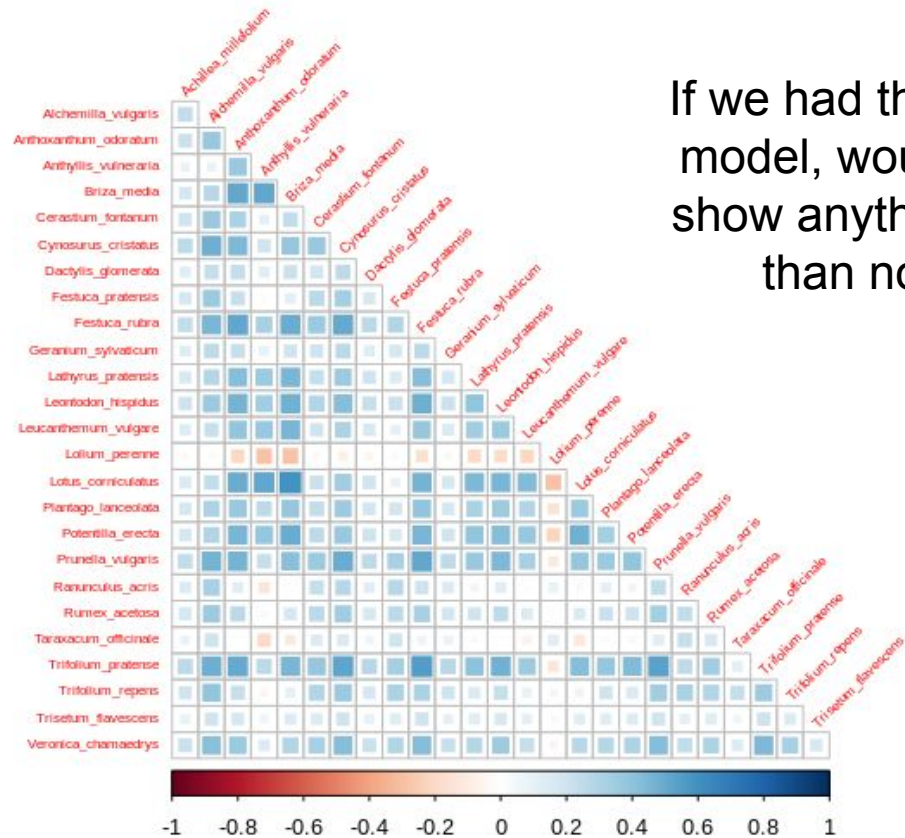


## **What is a Species Association?**

Overpredation

Outcompeting

Niche segregation



If we had the perfect model, would these show anything more than noise?