# Concepts around microbiome data and statistical considerations





## Learning objectives

- Understand that answering your research question likely requires using various analytic and statistical methods
- Be able to describe typical characteristics of count data (what are rows vs columns, sparse, compositional, etc.)
- Understand typical considerations for cleaning up count data





#### Outline

- What is a count table?
- What is unique about a sequencing count data?
  - Sparse
  - Multidimensional
  - Compositional
- What are some techniques to overcome these challenges?
  - Transformation
  - Dimension reduction
  - Model selection





## The "count table"

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ASV1	405				143	829	698		-	Proteobacteria; Gammaproteobacteria; Vibrionales; Vibrionaceae; Vibrio
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ASV29	0	0	0	0	0	0	e		-	Firmicutes; Clostridia; Clostridiales; Veillonellaceae; Succiniclasticum
ASV30	0			0	0	0	0			Firmicutes; Clostridia; Clostridiales; Veillonellaceae; unassigned Veillonellaceae
ASV31	539	184	899	142	455	419	335			Firmicutes; Clostridia; Clostridiales; Veillonellaceae; Anaerovibrio
ASV32	80								-	Firmicutes; Clostridia; Clostridiales; Veillonellaceae; Selenomonas
ASV33	0		0	0	0	0	9			Acidobacteria; [Chloracidobacteria]; RB41; Ellin6075; unassigned Ellin6075
ASV34	316	_	_	_	_		538		-	WPS-2; unassigned WPS-2; unassigned WPS-2; unassigned WPS-2; unassigned WPS-2
ASV35	838				253	33	530		-	Nitrospirae; Nitrospira; Nitrospirales; Nitrospiraceae; Nitrospira
ASV36	9	9			9	9	0		-	Fibrobacteres; Fibrobacteria; Fibrobacterales; Fibrobacteraceae; Fibrobacter
ASV37	9	-	-	_	32	9	9		-	Planctomycetes; Planctomycetia; Pirellulales; Pirellulaceae; unassigned Pirellulaceae
ASV37	9	0		_	0	0	0		-	Firmicutes; Clostridia; Clostridiales; [Mogibacteriaceae]; unassigned [Mogibacteriaceae]
ASV39	680			_		_	519			Firmicutes; Clostridia; Clostridiales; [Mogibacteriaceae]; Mogibacterium





## Sparsity = lots of zeros

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#### Transformation of count data

- For some analyses, we can perform Hellinger transformation to convert taxa abundances from absolute to relative values (i.e. standardizes the abundances to sample totals) and then square roots them.
- This decreases the impact of highly abundant features
- Some research questions might require transformation to determine the presence/absence of each taxa





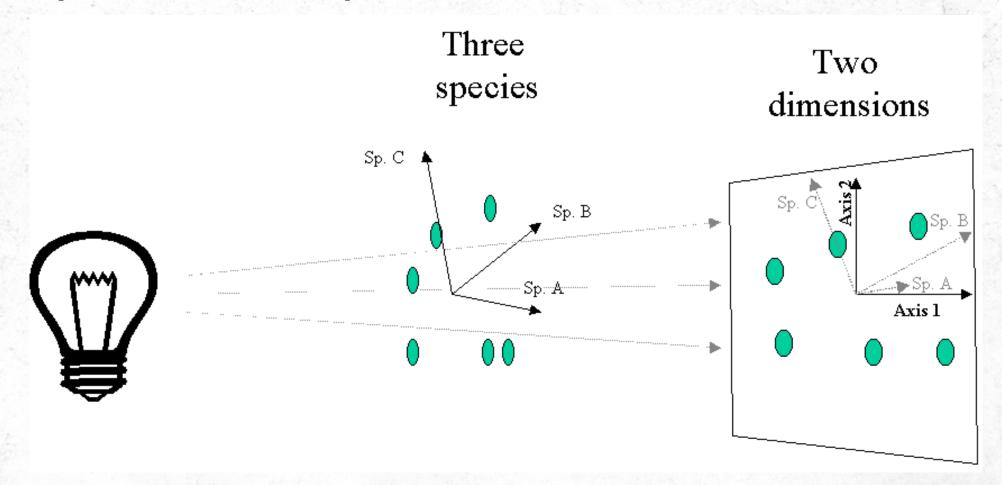
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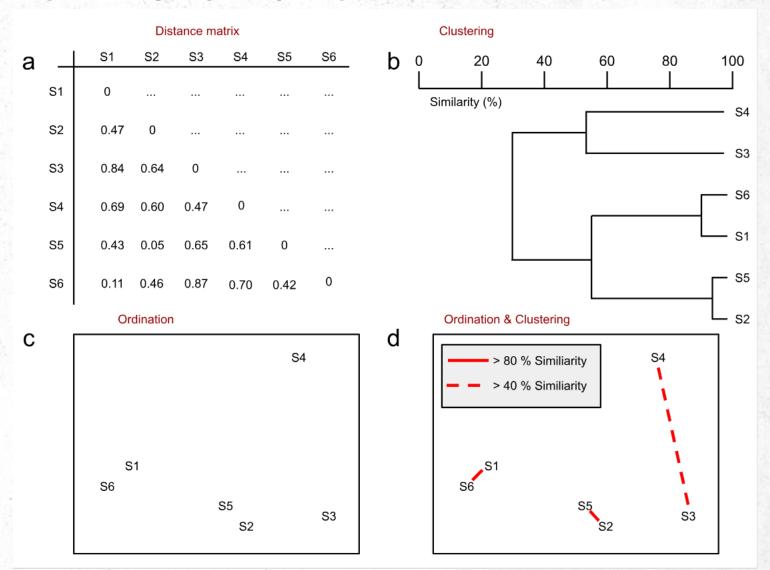
# Simplified example





#### Dimension reduction - Ordination

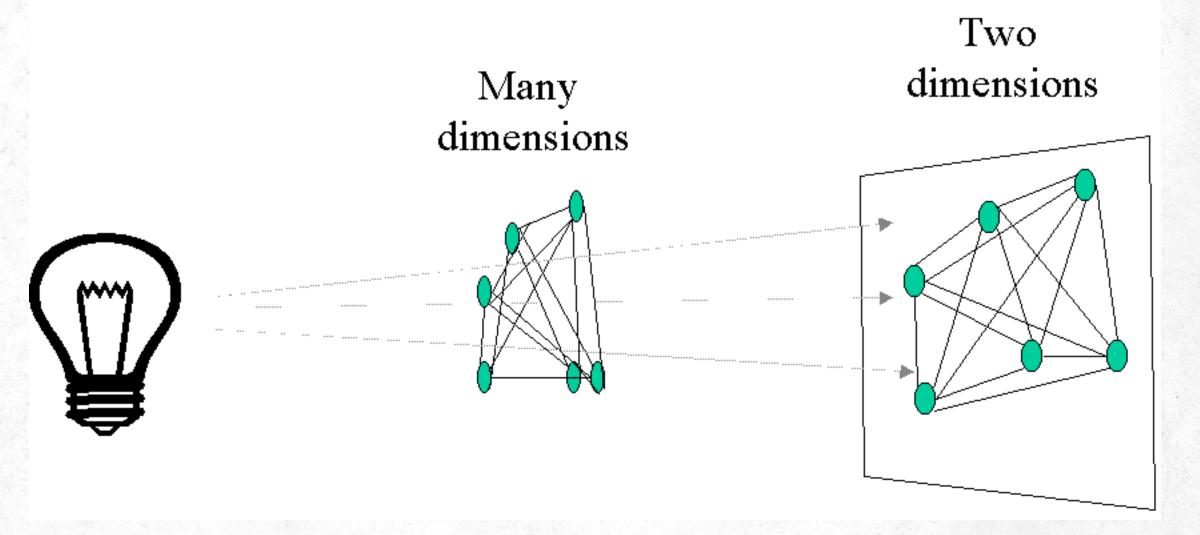
- We can use dissimilarity indices (beta diversity) and ordination to visualize the differences between all samples
- Then, we can use ordination to view results in 2 dimensions
- Testing is not done on ordination







# More realistically, with distances between samples





### Compositional = counts are out of 100% for each sample

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ASV20	0	0	0	0	0		0 6	)	Bacteria;	Bacteroidetes; Flavobacteriia; Flavobacteriales; [Weeksellaceae]; unassigned [Weeksellaceae]
ASV21	0	0	0	0	0		0 6	)	Bacteria;	Verrucomicrobia; Verruco-5; WCHB1-41; RFP12; unassigned RFP12
ASV22	0	0	65	0	0		0 6		Archaea; E	uryarchaeota; Methanobacteria; Methanobacteriales; Methanobacteriaceae; Methanobrevibacter
ASV23	0	0	0	0	0		0 6		Bacteria;	Spirochaetes; Spirochaetes; Spirochaetales; Spirochaetaceae; Treponema
ASV24	416	193	959	975	526	62	5 328	13	Bacteria;	Spirochaetes; Spirochaetes; Sphaerochaetales; Sphaerochaetaceae; Sphaerochaeta
ASV25	972	96	112	167	463	81	4 136	90	2 Bacteria;	Proteobacteria; Deltaproteobacteria; GMD14H09; unassigned GMD14H09; unassigned GMD14H09
ASV26	0	0	0	0	0		0 6		Bacteria;	Proteobacteria; Deltaproteobacteria; Desulfovibrionales; Desulfovibrionaceae; Desulfovibrio
ASV27	0	0	0	0	0		0 6		Bacteria;	Proteobacteria; Gammaproteobacteria; Aeromonadales; Succinivibrionaceae; Succinimonas
ASV28	979	643	740	716	504	14	0 33	18	2 Bacteria;	Proteobacteria; Gammaproteobacteria; Aeromonadales; Succinivibrionaceae; unassigned Succinivibrionacea
ASV29	0	0	0	0	0		0 6		Bacteria;	Firmicutes; Clostridia; Clostridiales; Veillonellaceae; Succiniclasticum
ASV30	0	0	0	0	0		0 6			Firmicutes; Clostridia; Clostridiales; Veillonellaceae; unassigned Veillonellaceae
ASV31	539	184	899	142	455	41	9 335	53	Bacteria;	Firmicutes; Clostridia; Clostridiales; Veillonellaceae; Anaerovibrio
ASV32	80									Firmicutes; Clostridia; Clostridiales; Veillonellaceae; Selenomonas
ASV33	0	0	0	0	0		0 6		-	Acidobacteria; [Chloracidobacteria]; RB41; Ellin6075; unassigned Ellin6075
ASV34	316	611	210	750	715	71	.8 538	23	Bacteria;	WPS-2; unassigned WPS-2; unassigned WPS-2; unassigned WPS-2
ASV35	838	769	357	725	253	3	3 536			Nitrospirae; Nitrospira; Nitrospirales; Nitrospiraceae; Nitrospira
ASV36	0	0	0	0	0		0 6	+	-	Fibrobacteres; Fibrobacteria; Fibrobacterales; Fibrobacteraceae; Fibrobacter
ASV37	Ø	43	0	0	32		0 6		-	Planctomycetes; Planctomycetia; Pirellulales; Pirellulaceae; unassigned Pirellulaceae
ASV38	ø	0	0	0	0		0 6		-	Firmicutes; Clostridia; Clostridiales; [Mogibacteriaceae]; unassigned [Mogibacteriaceae]
ASV39	680	773	798	395	225	46	4 519		-	Firmicutes; Clostridia; Clostridiales; [Mogibacteriaceae]; Mogibacterium



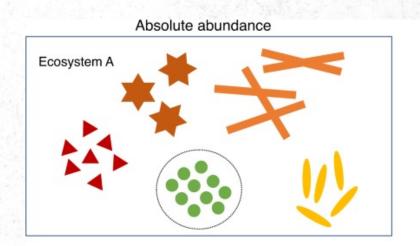


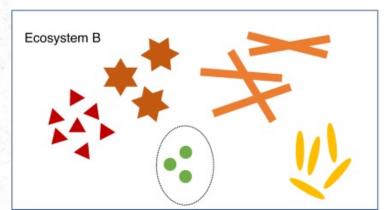
## Modeling sequencing count data for differential abundance

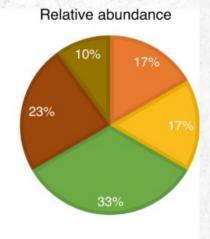
- "Count data"
  - Count data is typically modelled with a Poisson distribution
  - Sequencing count data is different

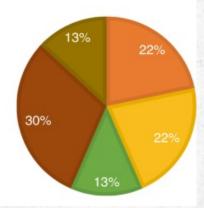
Microbiome Datasets Are Compositional: And This Is Not **Optional** 

- 1. Zero-inflated/sparse
  - Lots of features have 0's
- 2. Compositional due to a finite amount of sequencing
  - Changes in one taxa, affect the others





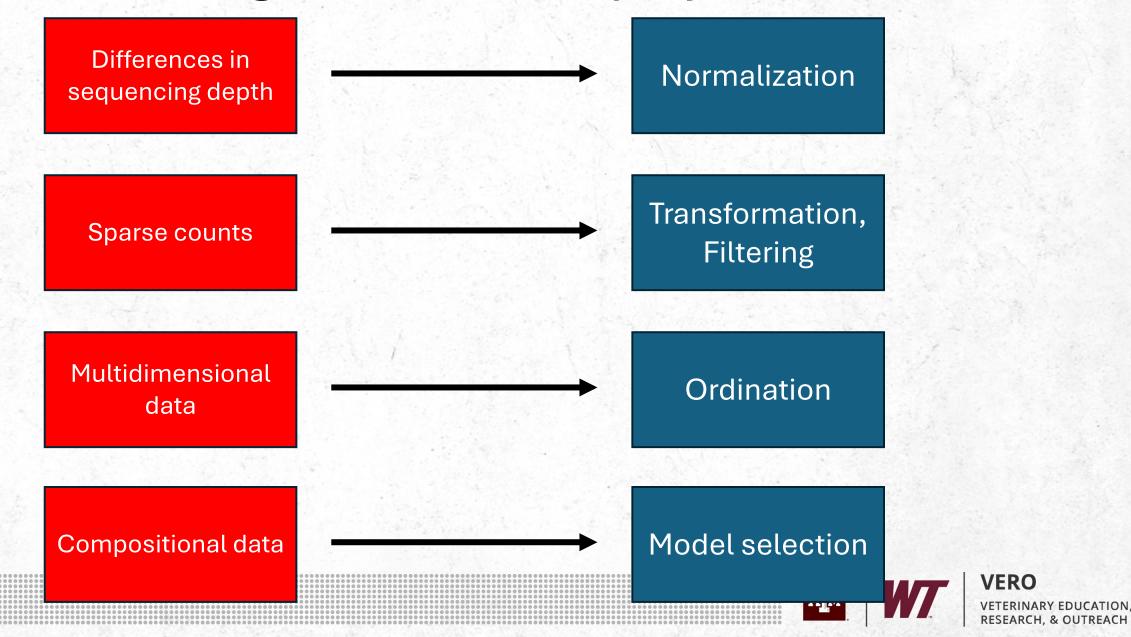








# What strategies can we employ?



## Thoughts on interpreting results from multiple tests

- Each test we run contributes to our analyses and tells us something slightly different about our data
- It's important to keep in mind what your research question is and what tests help you get there.
- For example:
  - Does antimicrobial treatment affect microbiome composition = ordination
  - Which taxa were affected by antimicrobial treatment = differential abundance



