

# 8. Worksheet: Among Site (Beta) Diversity – Part 2

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## OVERVIEW

In this worksheet, we continue to explore concepts, statistics, and visualizations related to  $\beta$ -diversity. Now that you know how to formally quantify  $\beta$ -diversity, we will learn how to test hypotheses about  $\beta$ -diversity using multivariate statistics.

## Directions:

1. In the Markdown version of this document in your cloned repo, change “Student Name” on line 3 (above) with your name.
2. Complete as much of the worksheet as possible during class.
3. Use the handout as a guide; it contains a more complete description of data sets along with examples of proper scripting needed to carry out the exercises.
4. Answer questions in the worksheet. Space for your answers is provided in this document and is indicated by the “>” character. If you need a second paragraph be sure to start the first line with “>”. You should notice that the answer is highlighted in green by RStudio (color may vary if you changed the editor theme).
5. Before you leave the classroom today, it is *imperative* that you **push** this file to your GitHub repo, at whatever stage you are. This will enable you to pull your work onto your own computer.
6. When you have completed the worksheet, **Knit** the text and code into a single PDF file by pressing the **Knit** button in the RStudio scripting panel. This will save the PDF output in your ‘8.BetaDiversity’ folder.
7. After Knitting, please submit the worksheet by making a **push** to your GitHub repo and then create a **pull request** via GitHub. Your pull request should include this file (**8.BetaDiversity\_\_2\_\_Worksheet.Rmd**) with all code blocks filled out and questions answered) and the PDF output of Knitr (**8.BetaDiversity\_\_2\_\_Worksheet.pdf**).

The completed exercise is due on **Wednesday, February 13<sup>th</sup>, 2019 before 12:00 PM (noon)**.

## 1) R SETUP

Typically, the first thing you will do in either an R script or an RMarkdown file is setup your environment. This includes things such as setting the working directory and loading any packages that you will need.

In the R code chunk below, provide the code to:

1. clear your R environment,
2. print your current working directory,
3. set your working directory to your “/8.BetaDiversity” folder, and
4. load the **vegan** R package (be sure to install if needed).

```
rm(list=ls())  
getwd
```

```
## function ()  
## .Internal(getwd())  
## <bytecode: 0x7fd3aefab440>
```

```
## <environment: namespace:base>
setwd("~/GitHub/QB2019_Rios/2.Worksheets/8.BetaDiversity/")

package.list <- c('vegan', 'ade4', 'viridis', 'gplots', 'BiodiversityR', 'indicspecies')
for (package in package.list) {
  if (!require(package, character.only = TRUE, quietly = TRUE)) {
    install.packages(package)
    library(package, character.only = TRUE)
  }
}

## This is vegan 2.5-3
##
## Attaching package: 'gplots'
## The following object is masked from 'package:stats':
##
##     lowess
## BiodiversityR 2.11-1: Use command BiodiversityRGUI() to launch the Graphical User Interface;
## to see changes use BiodiversityRGUI(changeLog=TRUE, backward.compatibility.messages=TRUE)
package.list

## [1] "vegan"          "ade4"           "viridis"        "gplots"
## [5] "BiodiversityR" "indicspecies"
```

## 2) LOADING DATA

### Load dataset

In the R code chunk below, load the `doubs` dataset from the `ade4` package

```
# note, please do not print the dataset when submitting
data(doubs)
fish <- doubs$fish
fish <- fish[-8,]
```

## 3) HYPOTHESIS TESTING

### A. Multivariate Procedures for Categorical Designs

Earlier work done in the Doubs River suggested that the river has four distinct regions of habitat quality: the first region (sites 1-14) of “high quality”; the second (sites 15 - 19) and fourth (sites 26 - 30) of “moderate quality”; and the third (sites 20 - 25) of “low quality”.

In the code chunk below, test the hypothesis that fish community composition varies with river quality.

1. create a factor vector that categorizes habitat quality in the Doubs River,
2. use the multivariate analyses for categorical predictors to describe how fish community structure relates to habitat quality.

```
#Factor vectors
quality <- c(rep("HQ", 13), rep("MQ", 5), rep("LQ", 6), rep("MQ", 5))
```

```
#PERMANOVA w/ adonis function
```

```
adonis(fish ~ quality, method = "bray", permutations = 999)
```

```
##
## Call:
## adonis(formula = fish ~ quality, permutations = 999, method = "bray")
##
## Permutation: free
## Number of permutations: 999
##
## Terms added sequentially (first to last)
##
##           Df SumsOfSqs MeanSqs F.Model      R2 Pr(>F)
## quality    2    3.0947  1.54733   10.97 0.45765 0.001 ***
## Residuals 26    3.6674  0.14105         0.54235
## Total     28    6.7621                1.00000
## ---
## Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
```

```
#IndVal
```

```
indval <- multipatt(fish, cluster = quality, func = "IndVal.g", control = how(nperm = 999))
summary(indval)
```

```
##
## Multilevel pattern analysis
## -----
##
## Association function: IndVal.g
## Significance level (alpha): 0.05
##
## Total number of species: 27
## Selected number of species: 23
## Number of species associated to 1 group: 1
## Number of species associated to 2 groups: 22
##
## List of species associated to each combination:
##
## Group MQ #sps. 1
##      stat p.value
## Teso 0.686   0.024 *
##
## Group HQ+MQ #sps. 2
##      stat p.value
## Satr 0.860   0.004 **
## Phph 0.859   0.013 *
##
## Group LQ+MQ #sps. 20
##      stat p.value
## Alal 0.935   0.001 ***
## Gogo 0.933   0.001 ***
## Ruru 0.916   0.001 ***
## Legi 0.901   0.001 ***
## Baba 0.895   0.001 ***
## Chna 0.866   0.001 ***
```

```

## Spbi 0.866    0.001 ***
## Cyca 0.866    0.001 ***
## Acce 0.866    0.001 ***
## Lele 0.863    0.005 **
## Titi 0.853    0.007 **
## Chto 0.829    0.001 ***
## Rham 0.829    0.002 **
## Anan 0.829    0.002 **
## Eslu 0.827    0.024 *
## Pefl 0.806    0.016 *
## Blbj 0.791    0.002 **
## Scer 0.766    0.010 **
## Abbr 0.750    0.005 **
## Icme 0.661    0.038 *
## ---
## Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1

fish.rel <- decostand(fish, method = "total")
phi <- multipatt(fish.rel, cluster = quality, func = "r.g", control = how(nperm = 999))
summary(phi)

##
## Multilevel pattern analysis
## -----
##
## Association function: r.g
## Significance level (alpha): 0.05
##
## Total number of species: 27
## Selected number of species: 18
## Number of species associated to 1 group: 9
## Number of species associated to 2 groups: 9
##
## List of species associated to each combination:
##
## Group HQ #sps. 3
##      stat p.value
## Phph 0.802    0.001 ***
## Neba 0.734    0.002 **
## Satr 0.650    0.001 ***
##
## Group LQ #sps. 2
##      stat p.value
## Alal 0.693    0.001 ***
## Ruru 0.473    0.046 *
##
## Group MQ #sps. 4
##      stat p.value
## Anan 0.571    0.008 **
## Spbi 0.557    0.011 *
## Chto 0.542    0.014 *
## Icme 0.475    0.033 *
##
## Group LQ+MQ #sps. 9
##      stat p.value

```

```
## Legi 0.658    0.003 **
## Baba 0.645    0.006 **
## Rham 0.600    0.004 **
## Acce 0.594    0.008 **
## Cyca 0.586    0.006 **
## Chna 0.571    0.011 *
## Blbj 0.571    0.011 *
## Gogo 0.523    0.015 *
## Abbr 0.499    0.027 *
## ---
## Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
```

**Question 1:** Based on the PERMANOVA, IndVal, and phi coefficient analyses, what did you learn about the relationship between habitat quality and the fish species composition? Are the different analyses consistent with one another and do they agree with the visualizations (heat maps, cluster dendograms, ordinations) that you created?

**Answer 1:** According to the PERMANOVA test there are significant differences in community structure among sites due to quality. The IndVal analysis shows no species are shared between low quality and high quality sites, and only species Satr and Phph are shared between Middle quality and High quality sites. The phi coefficient analysis provides a similar result to Indval. Species Phph and Satr are good indicators of High Quality sites. The analysis also provides information on which species are associated with other types of Habitat Quality. In general, the analyses shed light inot different but overlapping aspects of the community composition. The analysis do agree with the cluster dendograms done last week.

## B. Multivariate Procedures for Continuous Designs

### i. Mantel Test

In the R code chunk below, do the following:

1. create distance matrices for both fish communities and environmental factors, and
2. use a Mantel test to test the hypothesis that fish assemblages are correlated with stream environmental variables.

```
fish.dist <- vegdist(doubs$fish[-8,], method = "bray")
env.dist <- vegdist(scale(doubs$env[-8,]),method = "euclid")

mantel(fish.dist,env.dist)

##
## Mantel statistic based on Pearson's product-moment correlation
##
## Call:
## mantel(xdis = fish.dist, ydis = env.dist)
##
## Mantel statistic r: 0.604
##      Significance: 0.001
##
## Upper quantiles of permutations (null model):
##   90%   95%  97.5%   99%
## 0.110 0.150 0.188 0.212
## Permutation: free
## Number of permutations: 999
```

**Question 2:** What do the results from our Mantel test suggest about fish diversity and stream environmental conditions? How does this relate to your hypothesis about stream quality influencing fish communities?

**Answer 2:** the mantel test suggest that the variation in the dissimilarity of fish community can be highly explained (60%) of the sampled environmental variables.

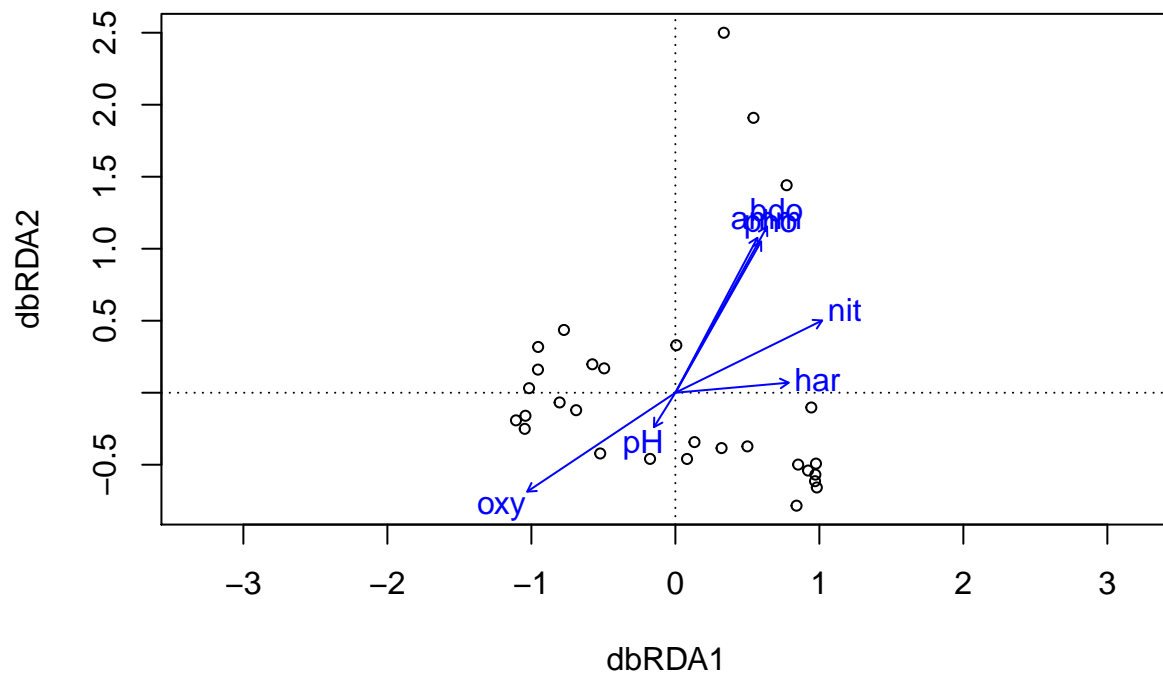
## ii. Constrained Ordination

In the R code chunk below, do the following:

1. create an environmental matrix of the water chemistry data included in the `doubs` dataset using forward and reverse selection of variables,
2. conduct a redundancy analysis on the fish assemblages of the Doubs River,
3. use a permutation test to determine the significance of the constrained analysis,
4. use a permutation test to determine the correlation of each environmental factor on the constrained axes,
5. calculate the explained variation on the first and second constrained axes,
6. plot the constrained ordination results including labeled points for each site, and
7. add vectors that demonstrate the influence of each environmental factor the constrained ordination.

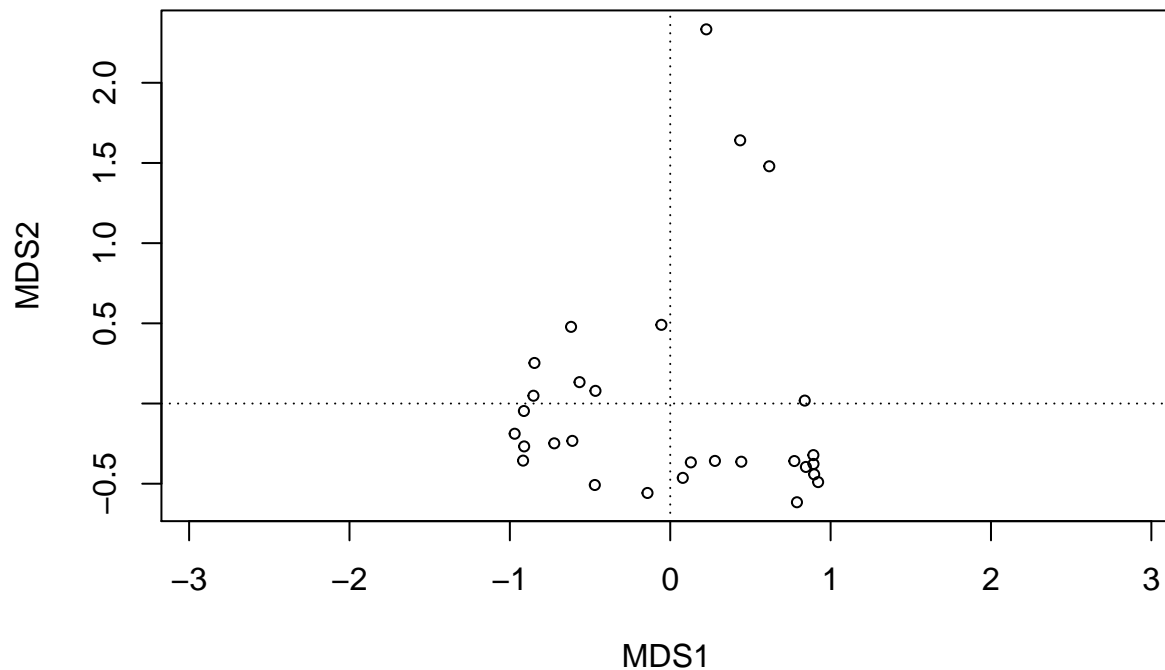
```
#define environmental matrix
env.chem <- as.matrix(doubs$env[-8,5:11])

#perform dbRDA
fish.db <- vegdist(fish, method = "bray", upper = TRUE, diag = TRUE)
doubs.dbrda <- dbrda(fish.db ~ ., as.data.frame(env.chem))
ordiplot(doubs.dbrda)
```



```
psych::corr.test(env.chem)
```

```
## Call:psych::corr.test(x = env.chem)
## Correlation matrix
##      pH   har   pho   nit   amm   oxy   bdo
## pH   1.00  0.08 -0.08 -0.04 -0.12  0.19 -0.16
## har   0.08  1.00  0.37  0.53  0.30 -0.37  0.34
## pho  -0.08  0.37  1.00  0.80  0.97 -0.76  0.91
## nit  -0.04  0.53  0.80  1.00  0.80 -0.69  0.68
## amm  -0.12  0.30  0.97  0.80  1.00 -0.75  0.90
## oxy   0.19 -0.37 -0.76 -0.69 -0.75  1.00 -0.84
## bdo  -0.16  0.34  0.91  0.68  0.90 -0.84  1.00
## Sample Size
## [1] 29
## Probability values (Entries above the diagonal are adjusted for multiple tests.)
##      pH   har   pho   nit   amm   oxy   bdo
## pH   0.00  1.00  1.00  1.00  1.00  1.00  1.00
## har  0.66  0.00  0.46  0.03  0.83  0.46  0.59
## pho  0.68  0.05  0.00  0.00  0.00  0.00  0.00
## nit  0.83  0.00  0.00  0.00  0.00  0.00  0.00
## amm  0.53  0.12  0.00  0.00  0.00  0.00  0.00
## oxy  0.32  0.05  0.00  0.00  0.00  0.00  0.00
## bdo  0.40  0.07  0.00  0.00  0.00  0.00  0.00
##
## To see confidence intervals of the correlations, print with the short=FALSE option
#model with only the intercept
doubts.dbrda.mod0 <- dbrda(fish.db ~ 1, as.data.frame(env.chem))
ordiplot(doubts.dbrda.mod0)
```



```
#model with all explanatory variables
doubts.dbrda.mod1 <- dbrda(fish.db ~ ., as.data.frame(env.chem))

#model comparison
doubts.dbrda <- ordiR2step(doubts.dbrda.mod0, doubts.dbrda.mod1, perm.max=200)

## Step: R2.adj= 0
## Call: fish.db ~ 1
##
##               R2.adjusted
## <All variables> 0.53032584
## + oxy          0.27727176
## + nit          0.25755208
## + bdo          0.17477787
## + pho          0.14568614
## + har          0.14174915
## + amm          0.14142804
## <none>         0.00000000
## + pH           -0.01827054
##
##      Df    AIC      F Pr(>F)
## + oxy  1 47.939 11.742 0.002 **
## ---
## Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
##
## Step: R2.adj= 0.2772718
```



```

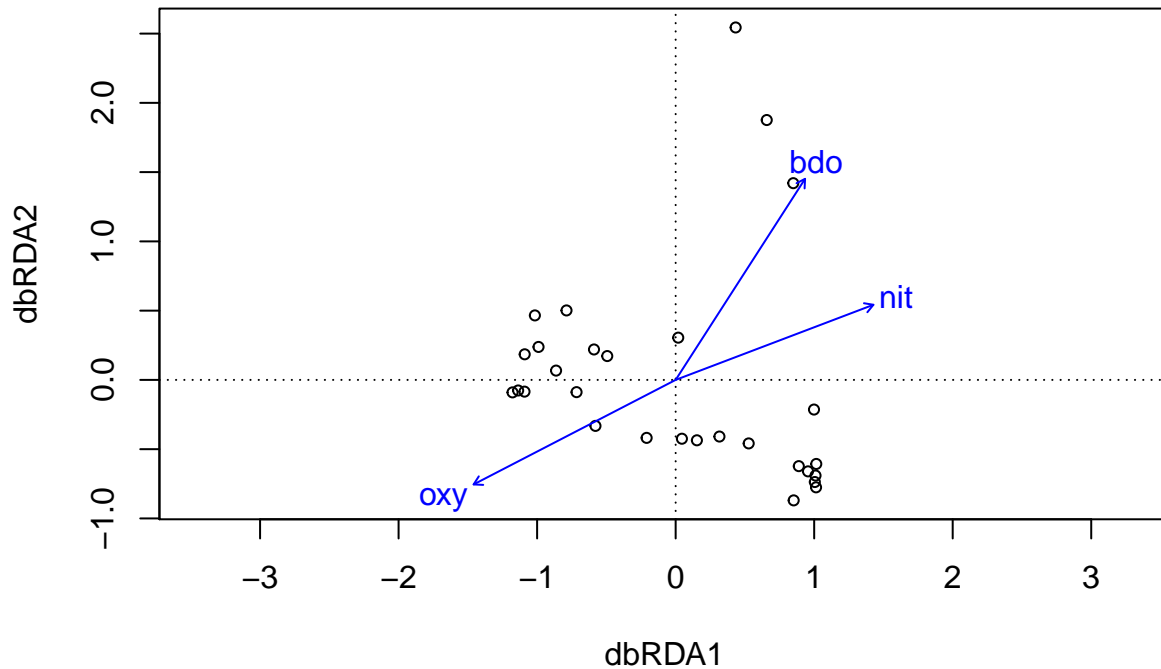
## Call: fish.db ~ oxy
##
##               R2.adjusted
## <All variables> 0.5303258
## + bdo          0.4009000
## + amm          0.3474192
## + pho          0.3452702
## + har          0.3331357
## + nit          0.3316120
## <none>         0.2772718
## + pH           0.2586983
##
##      Df      AIC      F Pr(>F)
## + bdo  1 43.404 6.5716 0.004 **
## ---
## Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
##
## Step: R2.adj= 0.4009
## Call: fish.db ~ oxy + bdo
##
##               R2.adjusted
## <All variables> 0.5303258
## + nit          0.4980793
## + har          0.4695121
## <none>         0.4009000
## + pho          0.3938042
## + amm          0.3869134
## + pH           0.3865240
##
##      Df      AIC      F Pr(>F)
## + nit  1 39.134 6.034 0.002 **
## ---
## Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
##
## Step: R2.adj= 0.4980793
## Call: fish.db ~ oxy + bdo + nit
##
##               R2.adjusted
## + amm          0.5415705
## <All variables> 0.5303258
## + pho          0.5277128
## + har          0.5218852
## <none>         0.4980793
## + pH           0.4843267
doubts.dbrda$call

## dbrda(formula = fish.db ~ oxy + bdo + nit, data = as.data.frame(env.chem))
doubts.dbrda$anova

##               R2.adj Df      AIC      F Pr(>F)
## + oxy          0.27727  1 47.939 11.7421 0.002 **
## + bdo          0.40090  1 43.404  6.5716 0.004 **
## + nit          0.49808  1 39.134  6.0340 0.002 **
## <All variables> 0.53033

```

```
## ---
## Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
ordiplot(doubs.dbrda)
```



```
permutest(doubs.dbrda, permutations = 999)

##
## Permutation test for dbrda under reduced model
##
## Permutation: free
## Number of permutations: 999
##
## Model: dbrda(formula = fish.db ~ oxy + bdo + nit, data =
## as.data.frame(env.chem))
## Permutation test for all constrained eigenvalues
##      Df Inertia      F Pr(>F)
## Model   3  3.7317 10.262  0.001 ***
## Residual 25  3.0304
## ---
## Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
envfit(doubs.dbrda, env.chem[,c(4,6,7)], perm = 999)

##
## ***VECTORS
##
##      dbRDA1  dbRDA2    r2 Pr(>r)
```

```

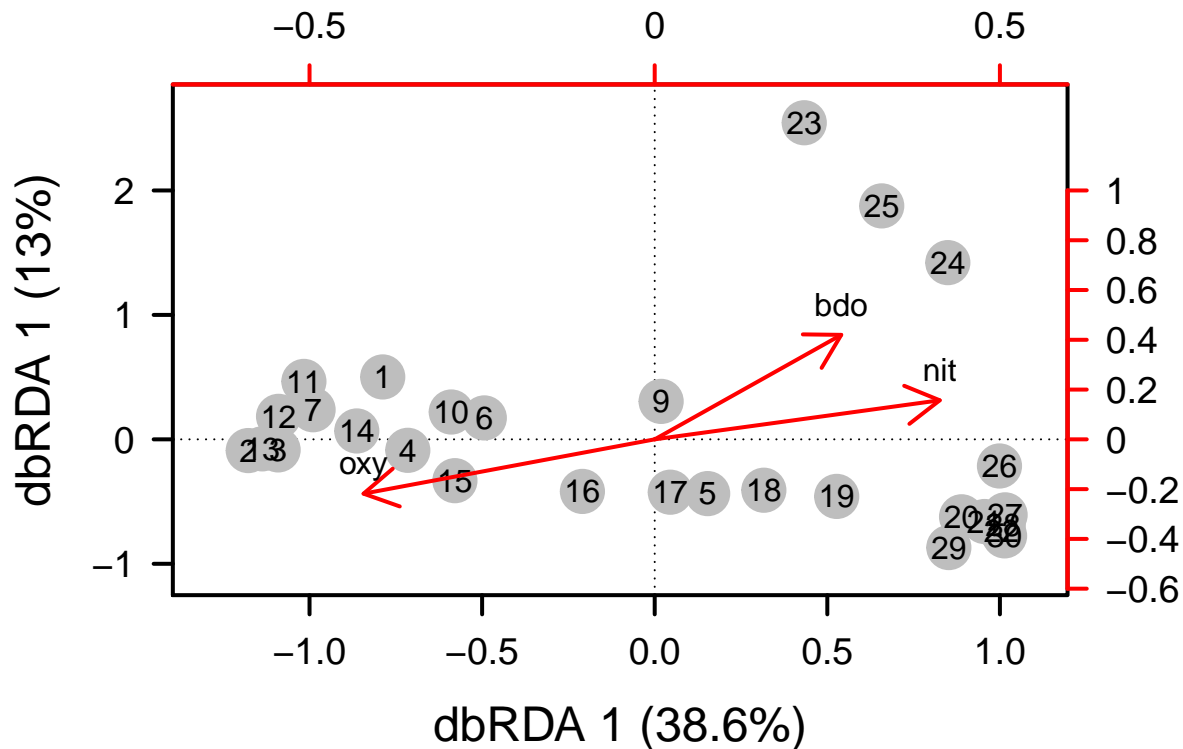
## nit  0.87724  0.48005  0.6431  0.001 ***
## oxy -0.82864 -0.55979  0.7656  0.001 ***
## bdo  0.55603  0.83116  0.8939  0.001 ***
## ---
## Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
## Permutation: free
## Number of permutations: 999

dbrda.explainvar1 <- round(doubs.dbrda$CCA$eig[1] /
  sum(c(doubs.dbrda$CCA$eig, doubs.dbrda$CA$eig)),3) * 100
dbrda.explainvar2 <- round(doubs.dbrda$CCA$eig[2] /
  sum(c(doubs.dbrda$CCA$eig, doubs.dbrda$CA$eig)),3) * 100

#Plot parameters
par(mar = c(5,5,4,4) + 0.1)
plot(scores(doubs.dbrda, display = "wa"), xlim = c(-1.3, 1.1), ylim = c(-1.1, 2.7),
  xlab = paste("dbRDA 1 (%)", dbrda.explainvar1, "%"), sep = ""),
  ylab = paste("dbRDA 2 (%)", dbrda.explainvar2, "%"), sep = ""),
  pch = 16, cex = 2.0, type = "n", cex.lab = 1.5, cex.axis = 1.2, axes = FALSE)
axis(side = 1, labels = T, lwd.ticks = 2, cex.axis = 1.2, las= 1)
axis(side = 2, labels = T, lwd.ticks = 2, cex.axis = 1.2, las= 1)
abline(h = 0, v = 0, lty = 3)
box(lwd = 2)

#add points & labels
points(scores(doubs.dbrda, display = "wa"),
  pch = 19, cex = 3, bg = "gray", col = "gray")
text(scores(doubs.dbrda, display = "wa"),
  labels = row.names(scores(doubs.dbrda, display = "wa"))))
vectors <- scores(doubs.dbrda, display = "bp")
arrows(0,0, vectors[,1], vectors[,2],
  lwd = 2, lty = 1, length=0.2, col= "red")
text(vectors[,1], vectors[,2], pos=3,
  labels = row.names(vectors))
axis(side = 3, lwd.ticks = 2, cex.axis=1.2, las=1, col="red", lwd=2.2,
  at = pretty(range(vectors[,1]))*2, labels = pretty(range(vectors[, 1])))
axis(side = 4, lwd.ticks = 2, cex.axis=1.2, las=1, col="red", lwd=2.2,
  at = pretty(range(vectors[,2]))*2, labels = pretty(range(vectors[, 2])))

```



**Question 3:** Based on the constrained ordination, what are the environmental variables (or groups of correlated variables) that seem to be contributing to variation in fish community structure?

**Answer 3:** Bdo and Nit seem to be correlated and contribute similarly to community structure. Oxygen is not correlated to any other variable, and it explains the structure of a large portion of the community.

### iii. Variation Partitioning

In the code chunk below,

1. Create a matrix model of the selected environmental variables,
2. Create a matrix model of the selected PCNM axes,
3. Perform constrained and partial constrained ordinations using the spatial and environmental models you just created,
4. Test the significance of each of your constrained ordinations using permutation tests,
5. Partition the variation among sites into the relative importance of space, environment, spatially structured environment, and residuals,
6. Plot the variation partitioning output to visualize it.

```
env.mod <- model.matrix(~ oxy + bdo + nit, as.data.frame(env.chem))[, -1]
```

```
#weight each site by its relative abundance
rs <- rowSums(fish)/sum(fish)
```

```
#PCNM
```

```
doubs.pcnmw <- pcnm(dist(doubs$xy[-8,]), w = rs, dist.ret = T)
```

```
#only positive eigenvalues
```

```
doubs.pcnmw$values > 0
```

```
## [1] TRUE TRUE TRUE TRUE TRUE TRUE TRUE TRUE TRUE TRUE TRUE
## [12] TRUE TRUE TRUE TRUE TRUE TRUE FALSE FALSE FALSE FALSE FALSE
## [23] FALSE FALSE FALSE FALSE
```

```
doubs.space <- as.data.frame(scores(doubs.pcnmw))
doubs.pcnm.mod0 <- dbrda(fish.db ~ 1, doubs.space)
doubs.pcnm.mod1 <- dbrda(fish.db ~ ., doubs.space)
step.pcnm <- ordiR2step(doubs.pcnm.mod0, doubs.pcnm.mod1, perm.max = 200)
```

```
## Step: R2.adj= 0
```

```
## Call: fish.db ~ 1
```

```
##
```

```
## R2.adjusted
```

```
## <All variables> 0.626011301
```

```
## + PCNM2 0.235370423
```

```
## + PCNM3 0.078394885
```

```
## + PCNM13 0.065305668
```

```
## + PCNM5 0.046185074
```

```
## + PCNM6 0.032809156
```

```
## + PCNM16 0.030486700
```

```
## + PCNM14 0.029680999
```

```
## + PCNM9 0.020357410
```

```
## + PCNM15 0.013632610
```

```
## + PCNM8 0.009411968
```

```
## + PCNM1 0.003986221
```

```
## + PCNM17 0.002415012
```

```
## + PCNM10 0.001326442
```

```
## <none> 0.000000000
```

```
## + PCNM7 -0.001861430
```

```
## + PCNM11 -0.006841522
```

```
## + PCNM4 -0.007089863
```

```
## + PCNM12 -0.014396973
```

```
##
```

```
## Df AIC F Pr(>F)
```

```
## + PCNM2 1 49.574 9.619 0.002 **
```

```
## ---
```

```
## Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
```

```
##
```

```
## Step: R2.adj= 0.2353704
```

```
## Call: fish.db ~ PCNM2
```

```
##
```

```
## R2.adjusted
```

```
## <All variables> 0.6260113
```

```
## + PCNM3 0.3429270
```

```
## + PCNM5 0.3057368
```

```
## + PCNM1 0.2885396
```

```
## + PCNM16 0.2786746
```

```
## + PCNM14 0.2744520
```

```
## + PCNM15 0.2692809
```

```
## + PCNM6 0.2659866
```

```
## + PCNM13 0.2636194
```

```

## + PCNM9          0.2517847
## + PCNM8          0.2496240
## + PCNM10         0.2434688
## + PCNM7          0.2431476
## + PCNM17         0.2404343
## + PCNM11         0.2366833
## <none>           0.2353704
## + PCNM12         0.2288789
## + PCNM4          0.2189522
##
##           Df      AIC      F Pr(>F)
## + PCNM3    1 46.083 5.4196 0.002 **
## ---
## Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
##
## Step: R2.adj= 0.342927
## Call: fish.db ~ PCNM2 + PCNM3
##
##           R2.adjusted
## <All variables> 0.6260113
## + PCNM5          0.4076020
## + PCNM1          0.3970300
## + PCNM16         0.3853210
## + PCNM15         0.3828748
## + PCNM14         0.3781827
## + PCNM13         0.3770376
## + PCNM6          0.3595644
## + PCNM8          0.3556885
## + PCNM7          0.3541631
## + PCNM10         0.3526775
## + PCNM17         0.3513683
## + PCNM9          0.3433672
## <none>           0.3429270
## + PCNM11         0.3416399
## + PCNM12         0.3396547
## + PCNM4          0.3311509
##
##           Df      AIC      F Pr(>F)
## + PCNM5    1 43.941 3.8385 0.008 **
## ---
## Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
##
## Step: R2.adj= 0.407602
## Call: fish.db ~ PCNM2 + PCNM3 + PCNM5
##
##           R2.adjusted
## <All variables> 0.6260113
## + PCNM1          0.4721469
## + PCNM16         0.4631976
## + PCNM15         0.4589111
## + PCNM14         0.4535248
## + PCNM13         0.4511582
## + PCNM6          0.4305640
## + PCNM7          0.4261965

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## + PCNM8          0.4224505
## + PCNM17         0.4181666
## + PCNM10         0.4154485
## + PCNM11         0.4112178
## + PCNM9          0.4111995
## + PCNM12         0.4087602
## <none>           0.4076020
## + PCNM4          0.3976526
##
##           Df      AIC      F Pr(>F)
## + PCNM1    1 41.411 4.057 0.004 **
## ---
## Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
##
## Step: R2.adj= 0.4721469
## Call: fish.db ~ PCNM2 + PCNM3 + PCNM5 + PCNM1
##
##           R2.adjusted
## <All variables> 0.6260113
## + PCNM13        0.5212427
## + PCNM16        0.5208668
## + PCNM15        0.5161770
## + PCNM14        0.5147355
## + PCNM6         0.4999020
## + PCNM7         0.4936559
## + PCNM8         0.4904113
## + PCNM17        0.4856884
## + PCNM10        0.4835952
## + PCNM11        0.4760087
## + PCNM9         0.4751424
## + PCNM12        0.4747221
## <none>          0.4721469
## + PCNM4         0.4651218
##
##           Df      AIC      F Pr(>F)
## + PCNM13    1 39.346 3.4612 0.01 **
## ---
## Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
##
## Step: R2.adj= 0.5212427
## Call: fish.db ~ PCNM2 + PCNM3 + PCNM5 + PCNM1 + PCNM13
##
##           R2.adjusted
## <All variables> 0.6260113
## + PCNM16        0.5767968
## + PCNM15        0.5715331
## + PCNM14        0.5698343
## + PCNM6         0.5475140
## + PCNM7         0.5392074
## + PCNM8         0.5379134
## + PCNM11        0.5281106
## + PCNM9         0.5267003
## + PCNM10        0.5265029
## + PCNM12        0.5255581

```

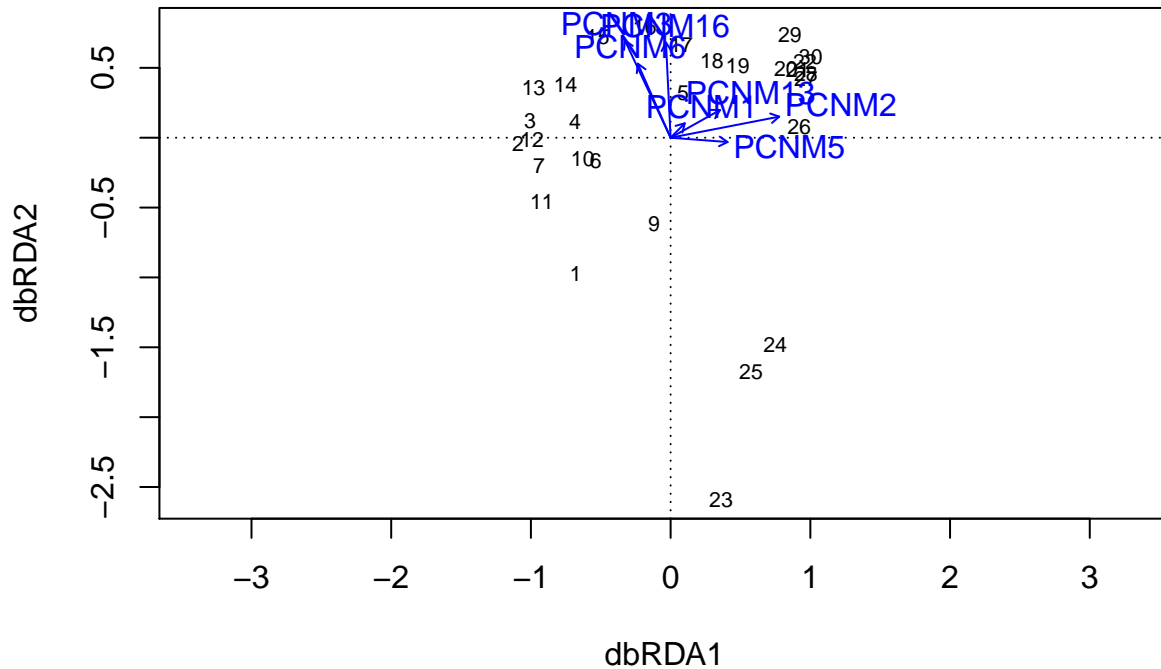
```

## <none>          0.5212427
## + PCNM17        0.5171800
## + PCNM4         0.5152311
##
##           Df      AIC      F Pr(>F)
## + PCNM16  1 36.48 4.0192 0.012 *
## ---
## Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
##
## Step: R2.adj= 0.5767968
## Call: fish.db ~ PCNM2 + PCNM3 + PCNM5 + PCNM1 + PCNM13 + PCNM16
##
##           R2.adjusted
## <All variables> 0.6260113
## + PCNM6         0.6043089
## + PCNM8         0.5970286
## + PCNM12        0.5946888
## + PCNM7         0.5946475
## + PCNM9         0.5883735
## + PCNM10        0.5851333
## + PCNM15        0.5846468
## <none>         0.5767968
## + PCNM17        0.5748533
## + PCNM4         0.5733749
## + PCNM11        0.5711176
## + PCNM14        0.5652509
##
##           Df      AIC      F Pr(>F)
## + PCNM6  1 35.182 2.5296 0.036 *
## ---
## Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
##
## Step: R2.adj= 0.6043089
## Call: fish.db ~ PCNM2 + PCNM3 + PCNM5 + PCNM1 + PCNM13 + PCNM16 + PCNM6
##
##           R2.adjusted
## <All variables> 0.6260113
## + PCNM8         0.6248697
## + PCNM12        0.6208788
## + PCNM10        0.6170988
## + PCNM7         0.6142419
## + PCNM15        0.6140369
## + PCNM9         0.6107110
## <none>         0.6043089
## + PCNM17        0.6037430
## + PCNM11        0.5978305
## + PCNM4         0.5963667
## + PCNM14        0.5932113
##
##           Df      AIC      F Pr(>F)
## + PCNM8  1 34.219 2.151 0.094 .
## ---
## Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1

```



```
plot(step.pcnm)
```



```
step.pcnm$anova
```

```
##           R2.adj Df      AIC      F Pr(>F)
## + PCNM2      0.23537  1 49.574  9.6190  0.002 **
## + PCNM3      0.34293  1 46.083  5.4196  0.002 **
## + PCNM5      0.40760  1 43.941  3.8385  0.008 **
## + PCNM1      0.47215  1 41.411  4.0570  0.004 **
## + PCNM13     0.52124  1 39.346  3.4612  0.010 **
## + PCNM16     0.57680  1 36.480  4.0192  0.012 *
## + PCNM6      0.60431  1 35.182  2.5296  0.036 *
## <All variables> 0.62601
## ---
## Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1

space.mod <- model.matrix(~ PCNM2 + PCNM3 + PCNM5 + PCNM1 +
                           PCNM13 + PCNM16 + PCNM6, doubts.space)[-1]

#constrained ordinations
doubts.total.env <- dbrda(fish.db ~ env.mod)
doubts.total.space <- dbrda(fish.db ~ space.mod)

#partial constrained ordinations
doubts.env.cond.space <- dbrda(fish.db ~ env.mod + Condition(space.mod))
doubts.space.cond.space <- dbrda(fish.db ~ space.mod + Condition(env.mod))
```

```

#significance
permutest(doubs.env.cond.space, permutations = 999)

##
## Permutation test for dbrda under reduced model
##
## Permutation: free
## Number of permutations: 999
##
## Model: dbrda(formula = fish.db ~ env.mod + Condition(space.mod))
## Permutation test for all constrained eigenvalues
##           Df Inertia      F Pr(>F)
## Model      3 0.85158 4.423  0.001 ***
## Residual 18 1.15519
## ---
## Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1

permutest(doubs.space.cond.space, permutations = 999)

##
## Permutation test for dbrda under reduced model
##
## Permutation: free
## Number of permutations: 999
##
## Model: dbrda(formula = fish.db ~ space.mod + Condition(env.mod))
## Permutation test for all constrained eigenvalues
##           Df Inertia      F Pr(>F)
## Model      7 1.8752 4.1741  0.001 ***
## Residual 18 1.1552
## ---
## Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1

permutest(doubs.total.env, permutations = 999)

##
## Permutation test for dbrda under reduced model
##
## Permutation: free
## Number of permutations: 999
##
## Model: dbrda(formula = fish.db ~ env.mod)
## Permutation test for all constrained eigenvalues
##           Df Inertia      F Pr(>F)
## Model      3 3.7317 10.262  0.001 ***
## Residual 25 3.0304
## ---
## Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1

permutest(doubs.total.space, permutations = 999)

##
## Permutation test for dbrda under reduced model
##
## Permutation: free
## Number of permutations: 999

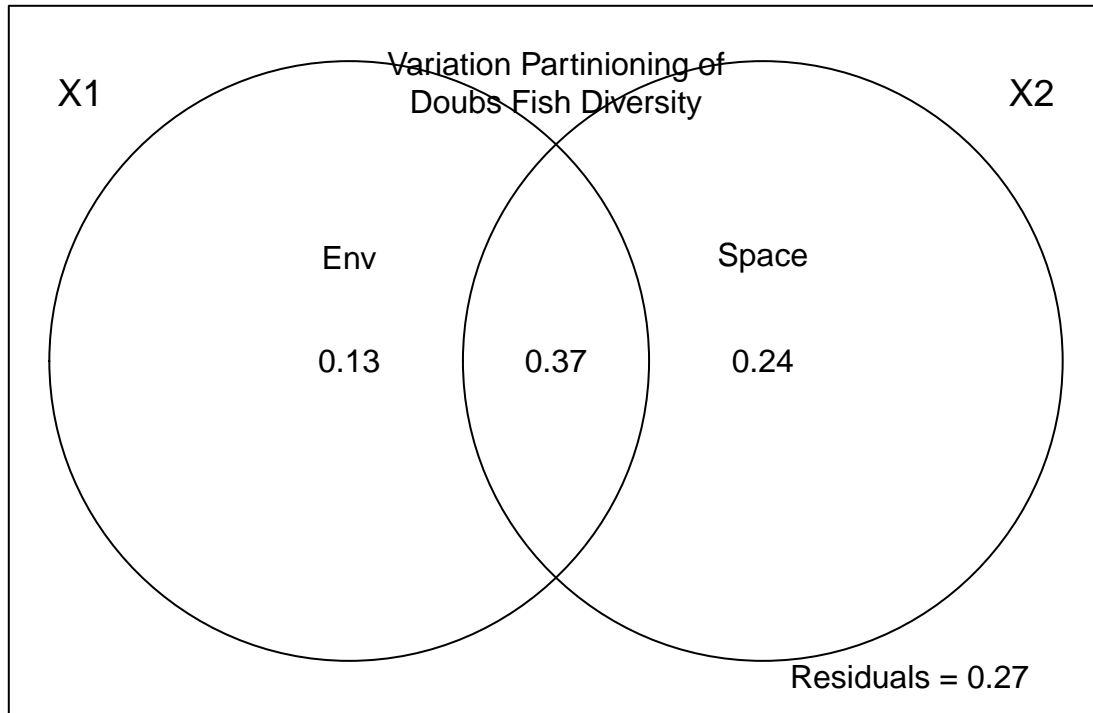
```

```
##
## Model: dbrda(formula = fish.db ~ space.mod)
## Permutation test for all constrained eigenvalues
##           Df Inertia      F Pr(>F)
## Model      7  4.7553 7.1089 0.001 ***
## Residual 21  2.0068
## ---
## Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1

doubts.varpart <- varpart(fish.db, env.mod, space.mod)
doubts.varpart

##
## Partition of squared Bray distance in dbRDA
##
## Call: varpart(Y = fish.db, X = env.mod, space.mod)
##
## Explanatory tables:
## X1:  env.mod
## X2:  space.mod
##
## No. of explanatory tables: 2
## Total variation (SS): 6.7621
## No. of observations: 29
##
## Partition table:
##           Df R.squared Adj.R.squared Testable
## [a+b] = X1      3  0.55186      0.49808      TRUE
## [b+c] = X2      7  0.70323      0.60431      TRUE
## [a+b+c] = X1+X2 10  0.82917      0.73426      TRUE
## Individual fractions
## [a] = X1|X2      3           0.12995      TRUE
## [b]              0           0.36813     FALSE
## [c] = X2|X1      7           0.23618      TRUE
## [d] = Residuals           0.26574     FALSE
## ---
## Use function 'dbrda' to test significance of fractions of interest

par(mar = c(2,2,2,2))
plot(doubts.varpart)
text(1, 0.25, "Space")
text(0, 0.25, "Env")
mtext("Variation Partitioning of\nDoubts Fish Diversity", side = 3, line = -3)
```



**Question 4:** Interpret the variation partitioning results.

**Answer 4:** The structure of the fish community is heavily influenced by the spatial arrangement of the sites, and by the environment to a lesser extent. However, the interaction between environment and space seems to be the greatest contributor affecting fish community structure.

## SYNTHESIS

- Using the jelly bean data from class (i.e., JellyBeans.txt), perform a PERMANOVA to test whether or not the vicariance event (random splitting of source community) had an affect on jelly bean composition. Based on your previous analyses with this data set, what are your thoughts about the importance of stochastic vs. deterministic factors on estimates of biodiversity?

```
JB <- read.delim("JellyBeans.txt", header = T)
BirthdayCakeMix <- JB$WhiteSolid + JB$Rainbow
Lime <- JB$GreenTrans + JB$GreenTrans2
row.names(JB) <- JB$Site
JB <- JB[, -c(1,2,14,15,27,30)]
JB <- cbind(JB, Lime, BirthdayCakeMix)
JBgroup <- c("A", "A", "A", "B", "B", "A", "B", "A", "B")
adonis(JB ~ JBgroup, method = "bray", permutations = 999)
```

```
##
## Call:
## adonis(formula = JB ~ JBgroup, permutations = 999, method = "bray")
##
## Permutation: free
```

```
## Number of permutations: 999
##
## Terms added sequentially (first to last)
##
##           Df SumsOfSqs  MeanSqs F.Model      R2 Pr(>F)
## JBgroup    1   0.08741 0.087413  1.9732 0.2199  0.039 *
## Residuals   7   0.31011 0.044301          0.7801
## Total       8   0.39752          1.0000
## ---
## Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
```

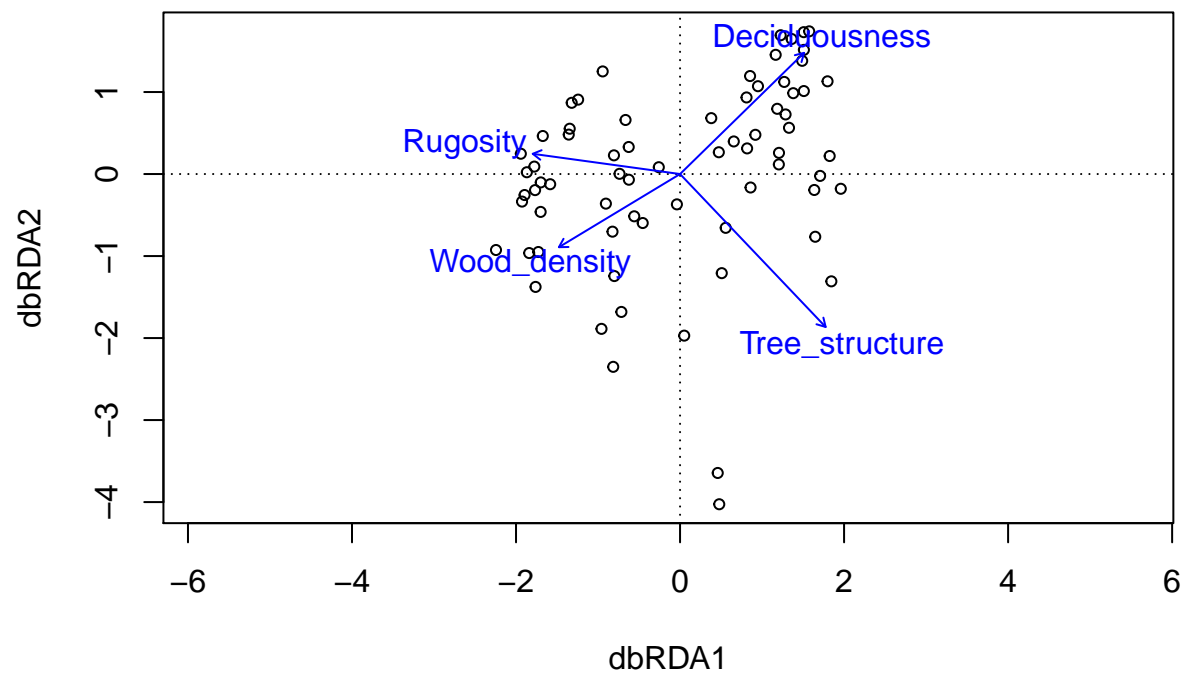
Both stochastic and deterministic factors can affect the structure of communities, and simultaneously produce similar effects on the community.

- 2) Load the dataset you are using for your Team Project. Perform an ordination to visualize your dataset. Using this ordination, develop some hypotheses relevant to  $\beta$ -diversity. Use a statistic to test one of these hypotheses. Succinctly explain the finding and its relevance to your system.

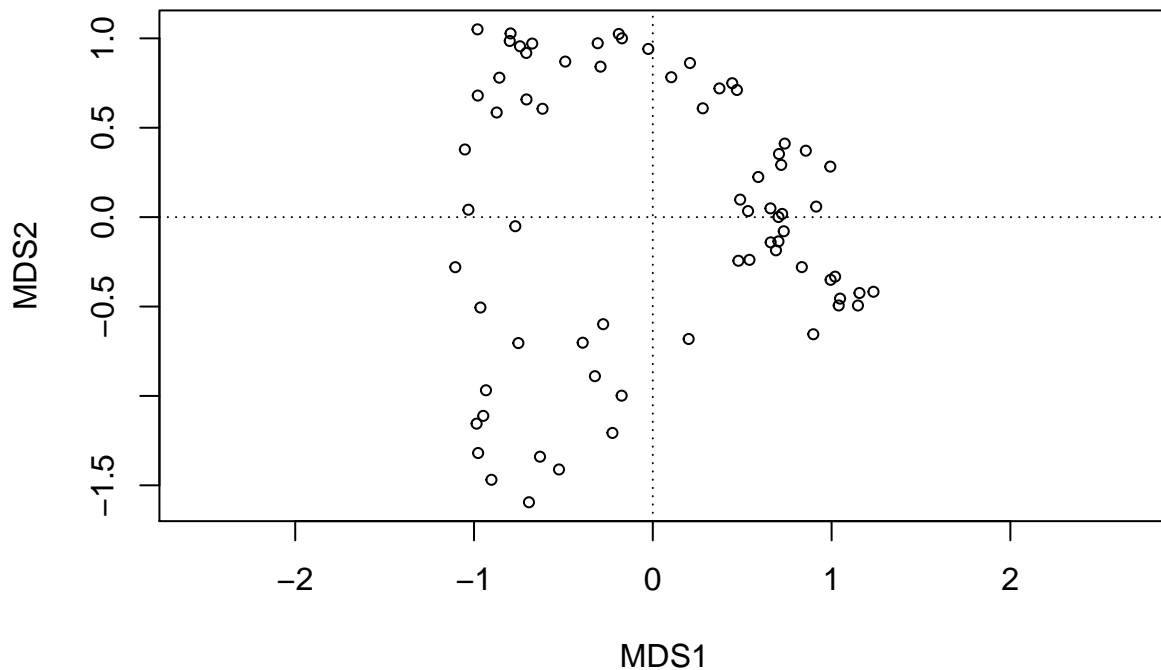
```
epiphytes <- read.table("epiphyte diversity.txt",header = TRUE)
epiphytes <- epiphytes[-c(71,72),]
envTrees <- epiphytes[,c(3:6)]
trees <- epiphytes[,2]
rownames(epiphytes) <- trees
epiphytes <- epiphytes[,c(-1:-6)]

envTrees <- as.matrix(envTrees)

#perform dbRDA
epiphytes.db <- vegdist(epiphytes, method = "bray", upper = TRUE, diag = TRUE)
doubt.dbrda <- dbrda(epiphytes.db ~ ., as.data.frame(envTrees))
ordiplot(doubt.dbrda)
```



```
#model with only the intercept
doubts.dbrda.mod0 <- dbrda(epiphytes.db ~ 1, as.data.frame(envTrees))
ordiplot(doubts.dbrda.mod0)
```



```
#model with all explanatory variables
doubts.dbrda.mod1 <- dbrda(epiphytes.db ~ ., as.data.frame(envTrees))

#model comparison
doubts.dbrda <- ordiR2step(doubts.dbrda.mod0, doubts.dbrda.mod1, perm.max=200)

## Step: R2.adj= 0
## Call: epiphytes.db ~ 1
##
##               R2.adjusted
## <All variables> 0.07837766
## + Tree_structure 0.03442157
## + Deciduousness  0.02641212
## + Rugosity       0.02195430
## + Wood_density   0.02153834
## <none>           0.00000000
##
##               Df   AIC      F Pr(>F)
## + Tree_structure 1 214.7 3.4598 0.002 **
## ---
## Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
##
## Step: R2.adj= 0.03442157
## Call: epiphytes.db ~ Tree_structure
##
##               R2.adjusted
```

```

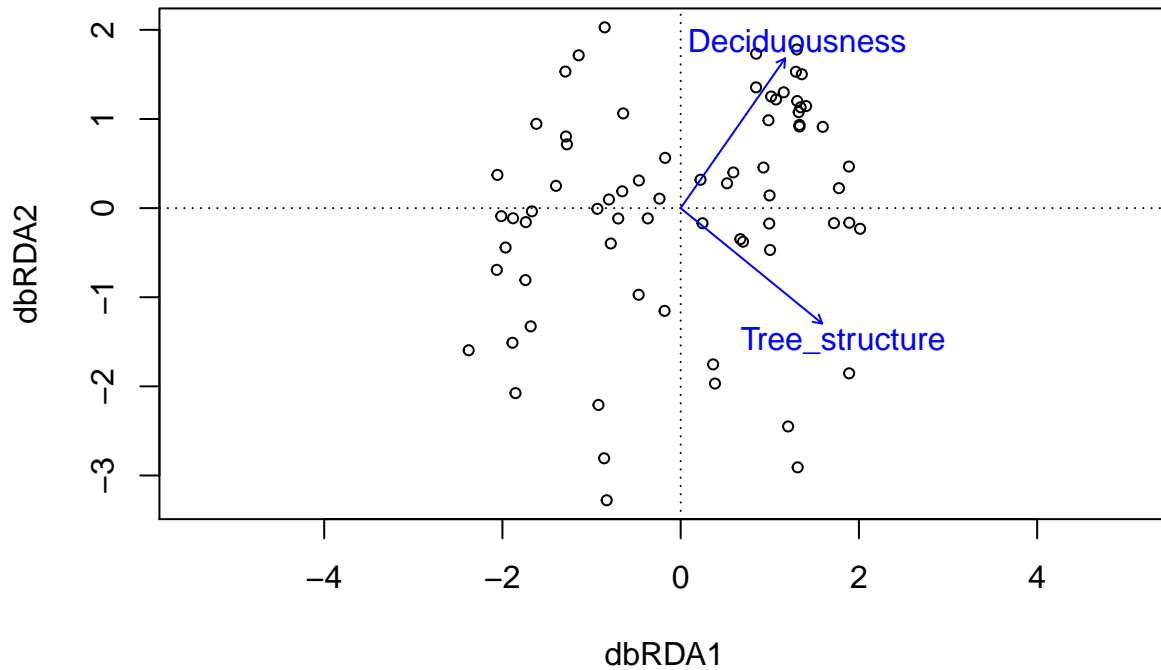
## <All variables> 0.07837766
## + Deciduousness 0.06388006
## + Wood_density 0.05212848
## + Rugosity 0.04412598
## <none> 0.03442157
##
##           Df      AIC      F Pr(>F)
## + Deciduousness 1 213.49 3.1399 0.01 **
## ---
## Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
##
## Step: R2.adj= 0.06388006
## Call: epiphytes.db ~ Tree_structure + Deciduousness
##
##           R2.adjusted
## + Wood_density 0.07848210
## <All variables> 0.07837766
## <none> 0.06388006
## + Rugosity 0.06042546
doubts.dbrda$call

## dbrda(formula = epiphytes.db ~ Tree_structure + Deciduousness,
##       data = as.data.frame(envTrees))
doubts.dbrda$anova

##           R2.adj Df      AIC      F Pr(>F)
## + Tree_structure 0.034422 1 214.70 3.4598 0.002 **
## + Deciduousness 0.063880 1 213.49 3.1399 0.010 **
## <All variables> 0.078378
## ---
## Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
ordiplot(doubts.dbrda)

```





```
permutest(doubs.dbrda, permutations = 999)
```

```
##
## Permutation test for dbrda under reduced model
##
## Permutation: free
## Number of permutations: 999
##
## Model: dbrda(formula = epiphytes.db ~ Tree_structure +
## Deciduousness, data = as.data.frame(envTrees))
## Permutation test for all constrained eigenvalues
##      Df Inertia      F Pr(>F)
## Model    2  1.9684 3.3543 0.001 ***
## Residual 67 19.6589
## ---
## Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
```

```
envfit(doubs.dbrda, envTrees, perm = 999)
```

```
##
## ***VECTORS
##
##      dbRDA1  dbRDA2    r2 Pr(>r)
## Tree_structure  0.71818 -0.69586 0.4564 0.001 ***
## Wood_density   -0.99851 -0.05449 0.0750 0.074 .
## Deciduousness   0.42451  0.90542 0.2966 0.001 ***
## Rugosity        -0.99560  0.09375 0.1705 0.003 **
```

```
## ---
## Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
## Permutation: free
## Number of permutations: 999
```

It seems that the epiphyte community is partially influenced by the deciduousness and size of the trees. Rugosity and wood density didn't have a significant effect on epiphyte community. Moreover, a large portion of the community structure is not explained by the environmental variables. It is likely that the spatial arrangement of the trees and or phylogenetic relatedness among epiphytes might be affecting the structure of the community.