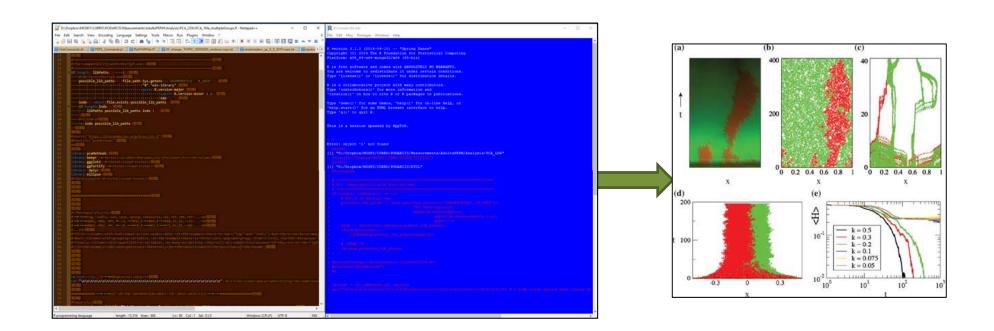


# Use of R environment in **Evolutionary Ecology**



# TIRED OF ANALYSING ALL THE VARIABLES ONE BY ONE?

# **MULTIVARIATE ANALYSIS!**

Multivariate analysis is a good name

Observation of variance and statistical analysis of multiple variables

#### **Canonical Correlation**

- Multivariate Correlation: This is "just" a Correlation!
- Correlation of multiple Explanatory and multiple Response variables at once.

#### **Discriminant Analysis**

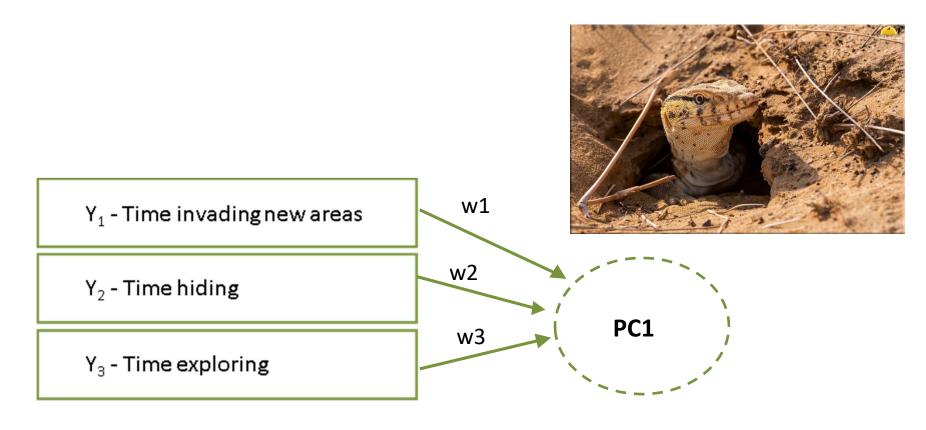
- Looks for the combination of variables that better characterise samples/observations according to different groups.
- Allows to make predictions and classify new samples in predefined groups

#### Multivariate ANOVA (MANOVA)

Allows to perform an ANOVA with multiple explanatory variables (groups/treatments) and multiple response variables

#### **Principal Component Analysis (PCA)**

- Exploratory analysis tool
- Data reduction technique
- Reduces the dimensionality from many to few relevant independent variables
- The extracted independent variance (w) of each measure (Y) is added to the derived independent <u>principal components</u> (PC).



#### **Principal Component Analysis (PCA)**

- Multivariate Variance-Covariance Analysis.
- Reduces dimensions by linear combinations of variables.
- Emphasises patterns by treating samples/observations as cases and then calculating the covariance matrices of all variables for each one

#### **Correspondence Analysis (CA)**

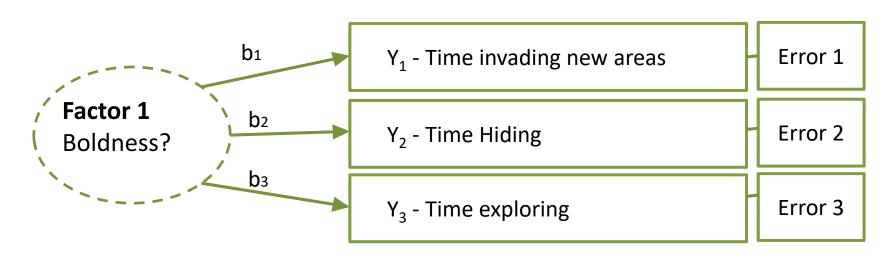
- Similar to PCA
- Treats samples and variables at the same level focusing on relative values.

#### **Principal Coordinate Analysis (PCoA)**

Similar to PCA but for non continuous variables (discrete or qualitative).

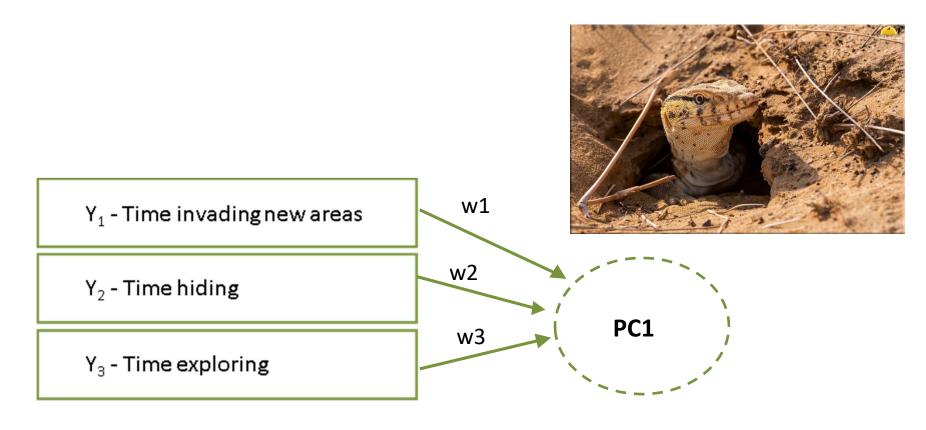
#### **Factor Analysis (EFA)**

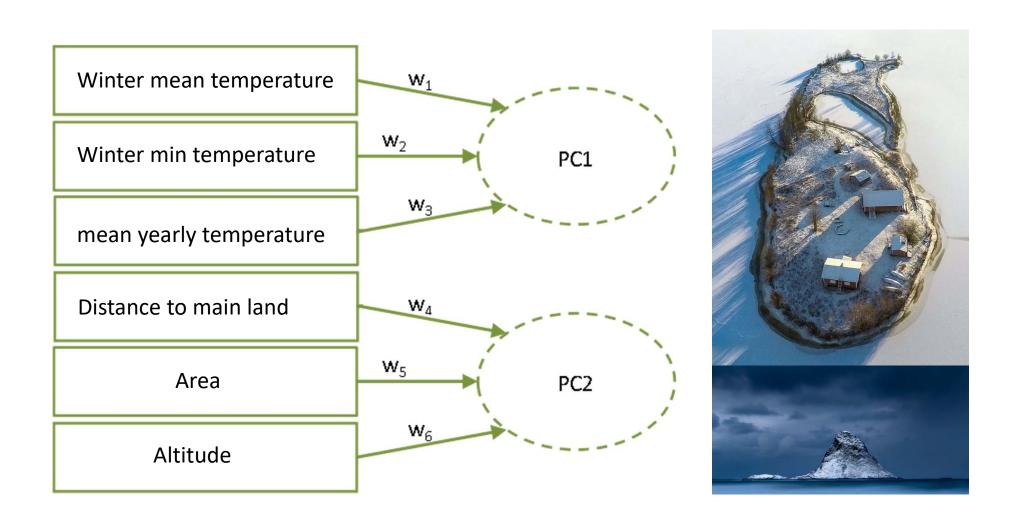
- Exploratory analysis tool
- Data reduction technique
- Model to find underlying/latent factors from which the observed variables were generated
- It analyses de relation (b) of each Factor with the variables (Y) and the error (variance) not explained by that underlying factor



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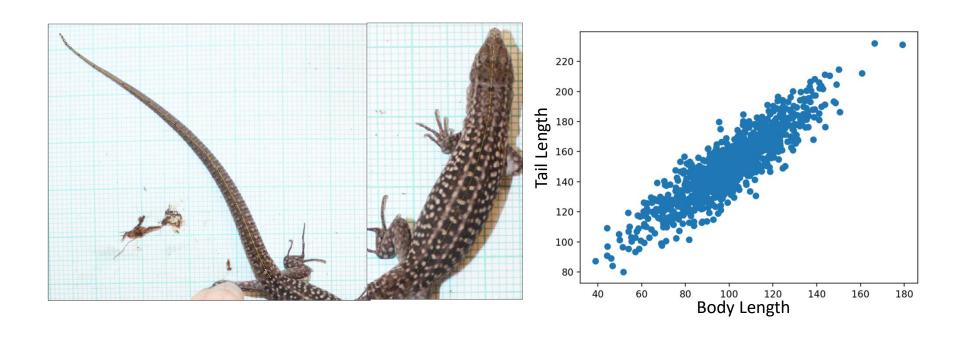
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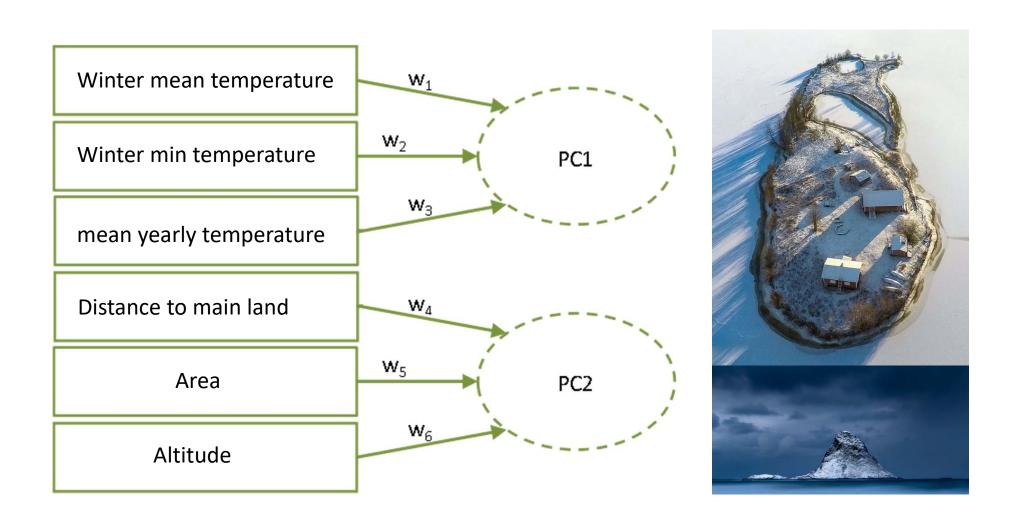




# independent variables!

- choosing only independent variables we loose information
- Keeping all variables we overstimate their importance

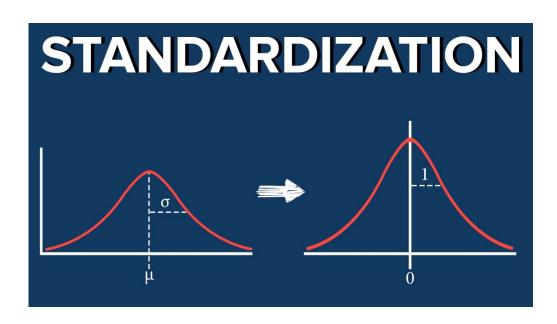




# Magnitude

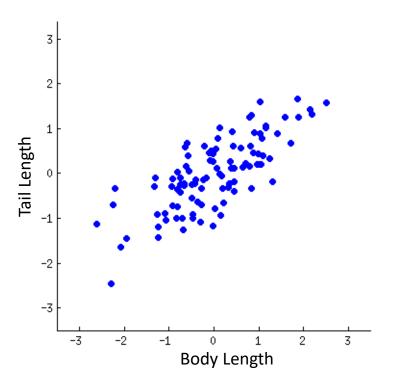
- We will analyse all variables together
- If magnitude of variables is different importance of bigger magnitudes will be overestimated
- We will need to standardize: scale()





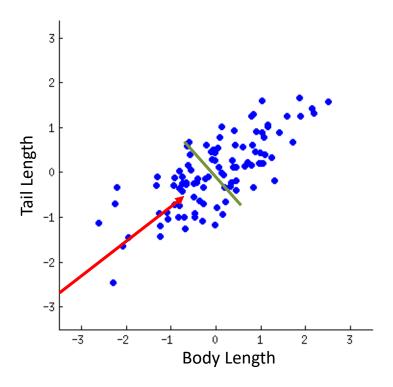
#### Calculates a Covariance matrix (for each pair of variables)

- Information about the <u>variance</u>: spread of the data
- Information about the <u>covariance</u>: in which direction



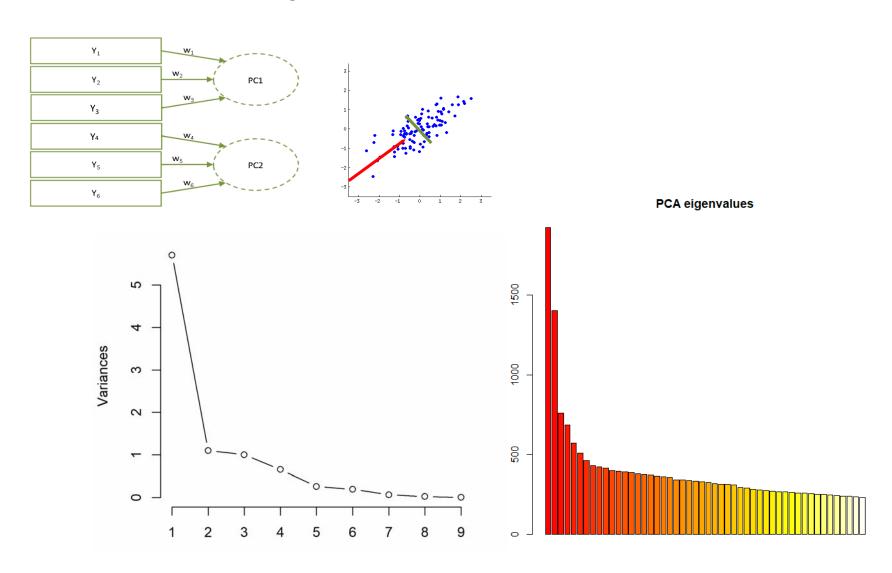
#### **Covariance matrix sumarized as:**

- Eigenvalue: magnitude or scale of the spread of the data (variance)
- Eigenvector: in which direction is the data spread (covariance)



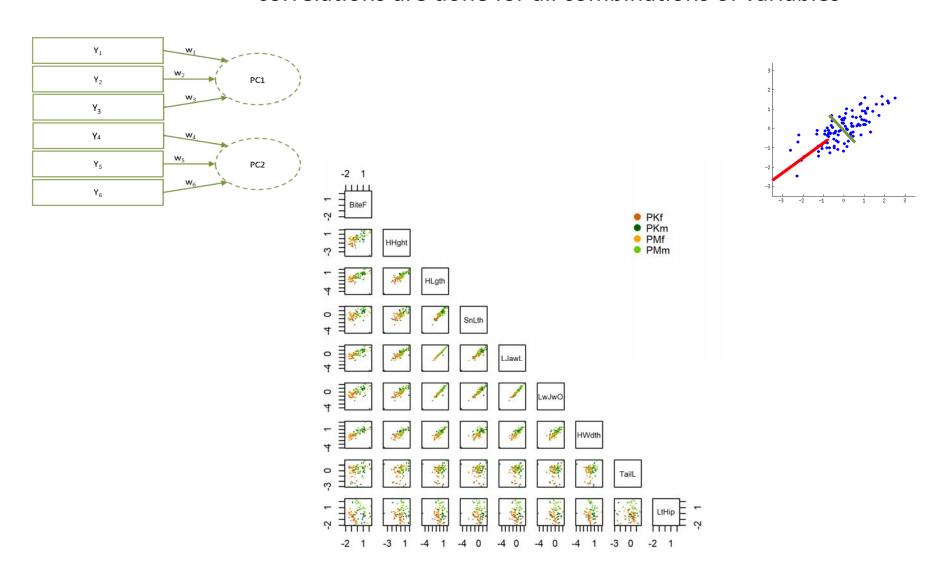
# PCA: eigen values

Magnitude or scale of the variance of the data



# PCA: biplots

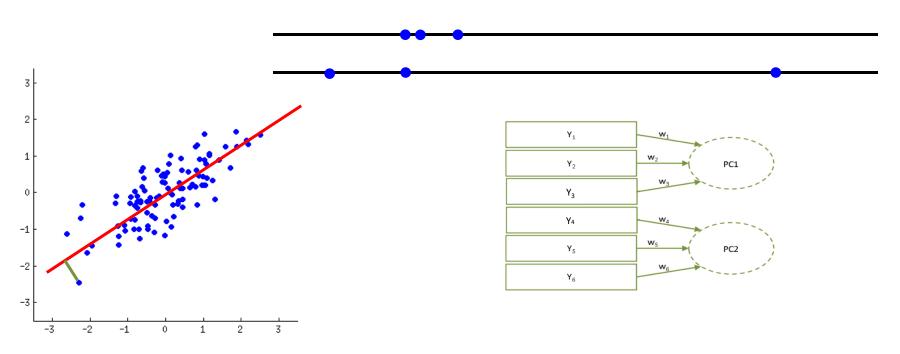
correlations are done for all combinations of variables



#### **Principal Components**

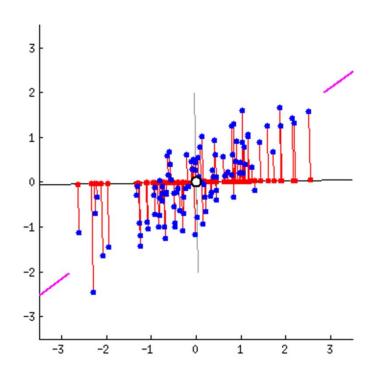
- Independent variables that summarize the covariance matrices of the data
- Maximise the variance and at the same time that minimize the error

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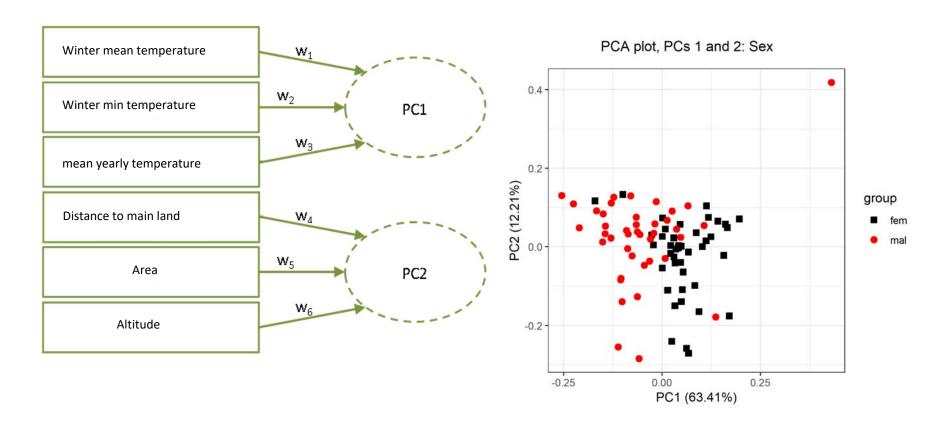


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#### **Scores**

Transformed data values per observation according to the model

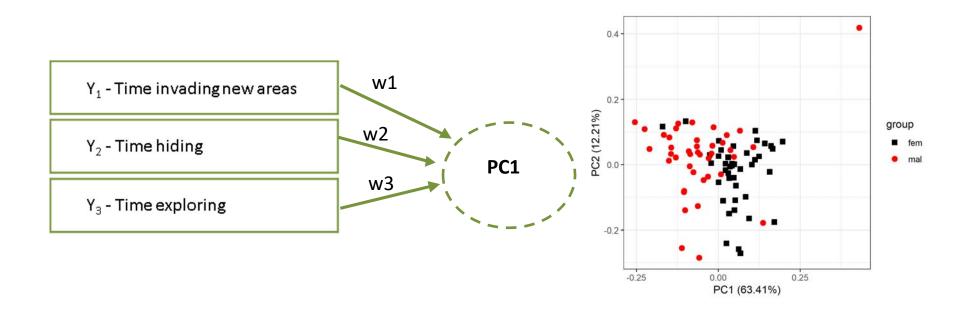
Coordinates of the samples in the new dimensional space (new variables). Scores of each sample in each PC may allow us to sort/group them.



#### Loadings

covariances/correlations between the original variables and the PCs

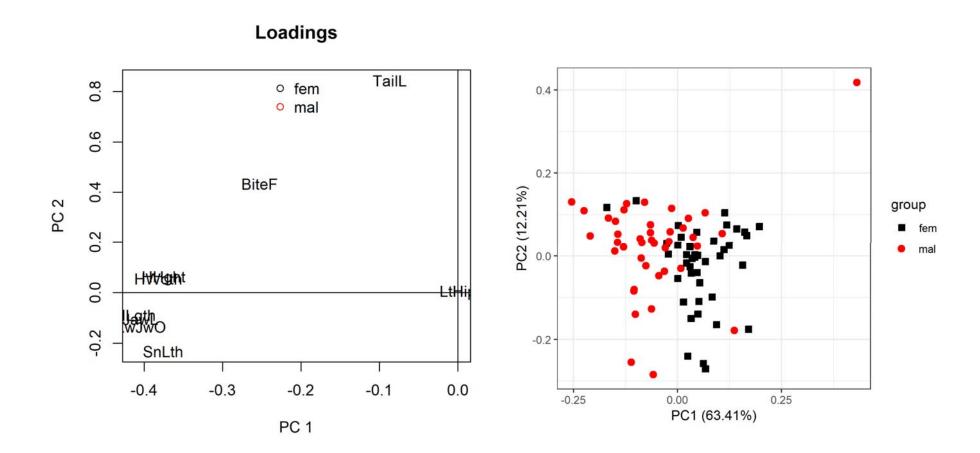
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#### Why?

See distribution of data according to the variance Check if variables allow to group samples Look for relevant independent variables

#### **AGAIN:**

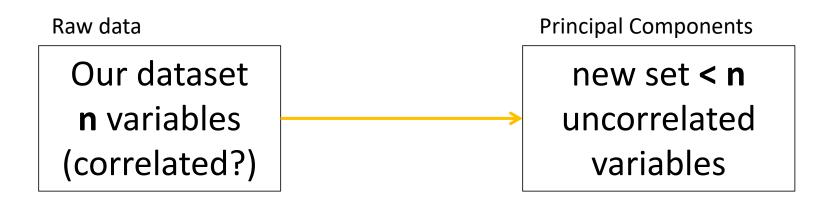
- PCA is a blind exploratory test.
- No assumptions about our groups.
- Summarizes all the variable's variance

**Requirements:** Continuous data, no missing values, similar scale

**Very robust to:** Over-fitting, over-representation

**Robust to:** No normality of the data (but it is recommended)

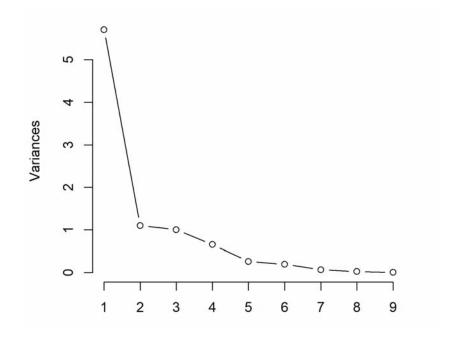
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- 2. See if there are groups
- 3. Account the influence of each variable in the PCs (loadings)
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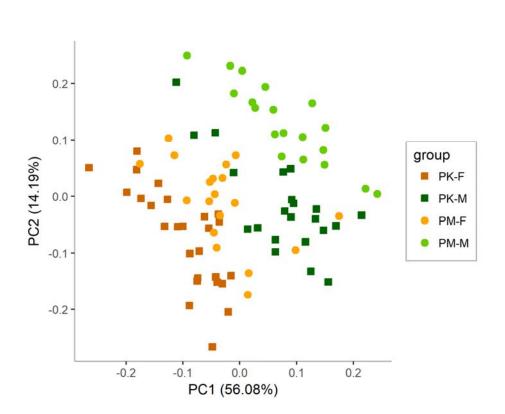
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1. Reduce the number of dimensions (relevant PCs)



Variance explained by each PC?

Choose PCs to plot

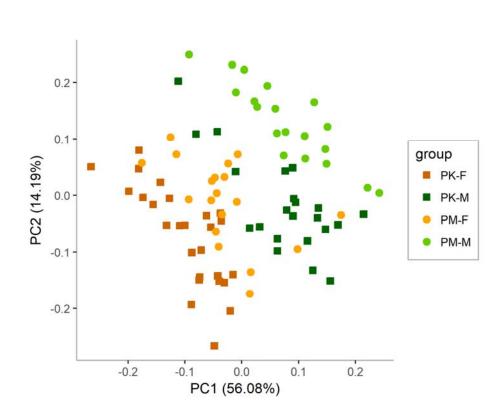
Usually PC1 and 2 is enough

May be interesting to plot more

We could do a 3D plots with 3 PCs

#### **Procedure**

#### 2. See if there are groups



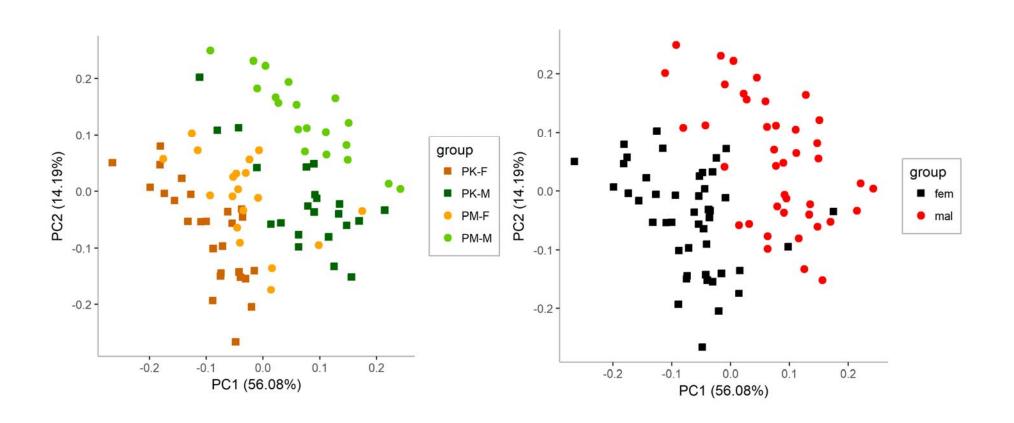
Do the PCs that explain most of the variance define any biologically meaningful group?

Colour the plot according to different grouping variables

Check if new patterns / groups emerge

#### **Procedure**

2. See if there are groups



#### **Procedure**

3. Account the influence of each variable in the PCs (loadings)

Check loadings of each variable in PCs that show a pattern / group your samples

Variables that contribute the most to relevant PCs are worth to be analysed further

Variables that contribute to the same PC may be related

