

# Multivariate statistics and data visualization

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# Outline

- Diversity concepts
- Alpha diversity indices and rarefaction curves
- Rare biosphere
- Beta diversity and ordination methods
- Compositionality
- Hypothesis testing
- Co-occurrence networks
- Data visualization in R
  - Getting your data into shape
  - R data and object types
  - R errors

# Diversity concepts

## Alpha diversity:

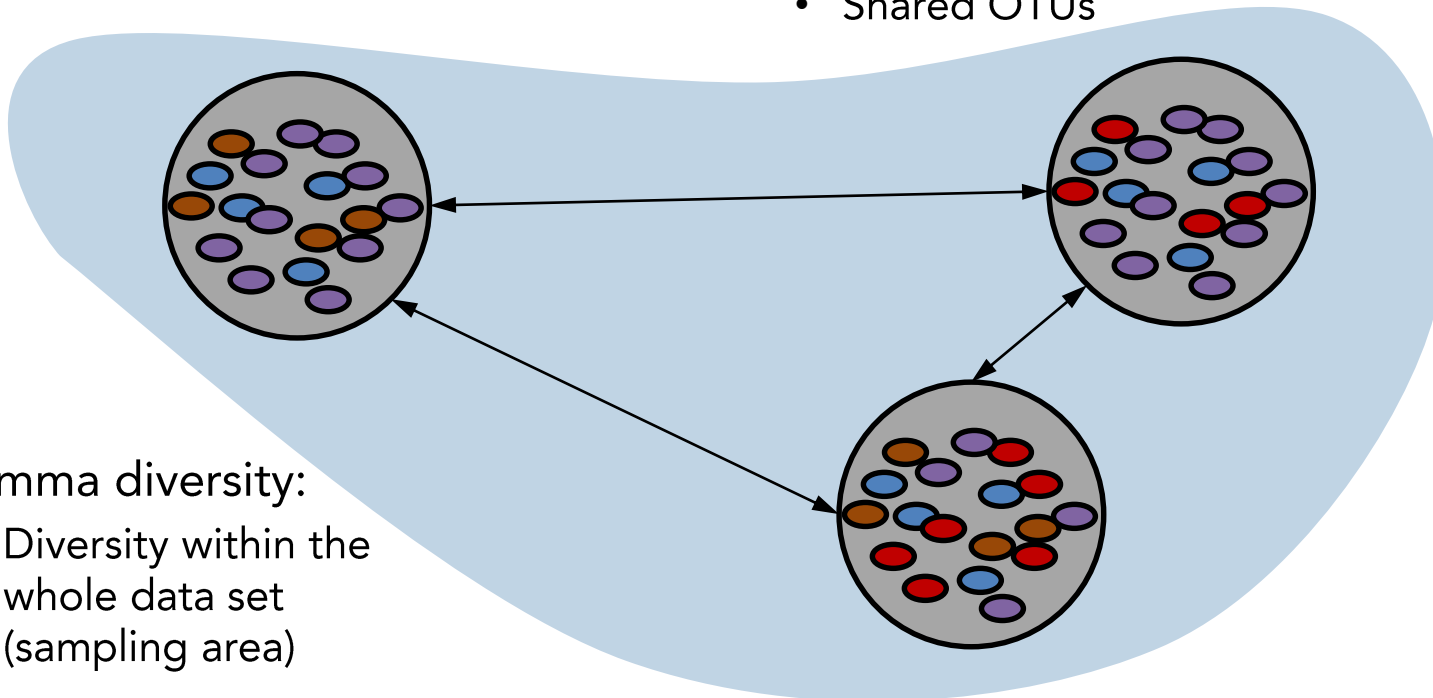
- Diversity within one sample
- Richness
- Evenness

## Beta diversity:

- Diversity between samples (comparison)
- Dissimilarity
- Shared OTUs

## Gamma diversity:

- Diversity within the whole data set (sampling area)



# Alpha diversity

- Alpha diversity indices:

- Chao1
- ACE
- Richness
- Shannon
- Inverse Simpson



Influence of rare OTUs

- Unifying concept: Hill numbers

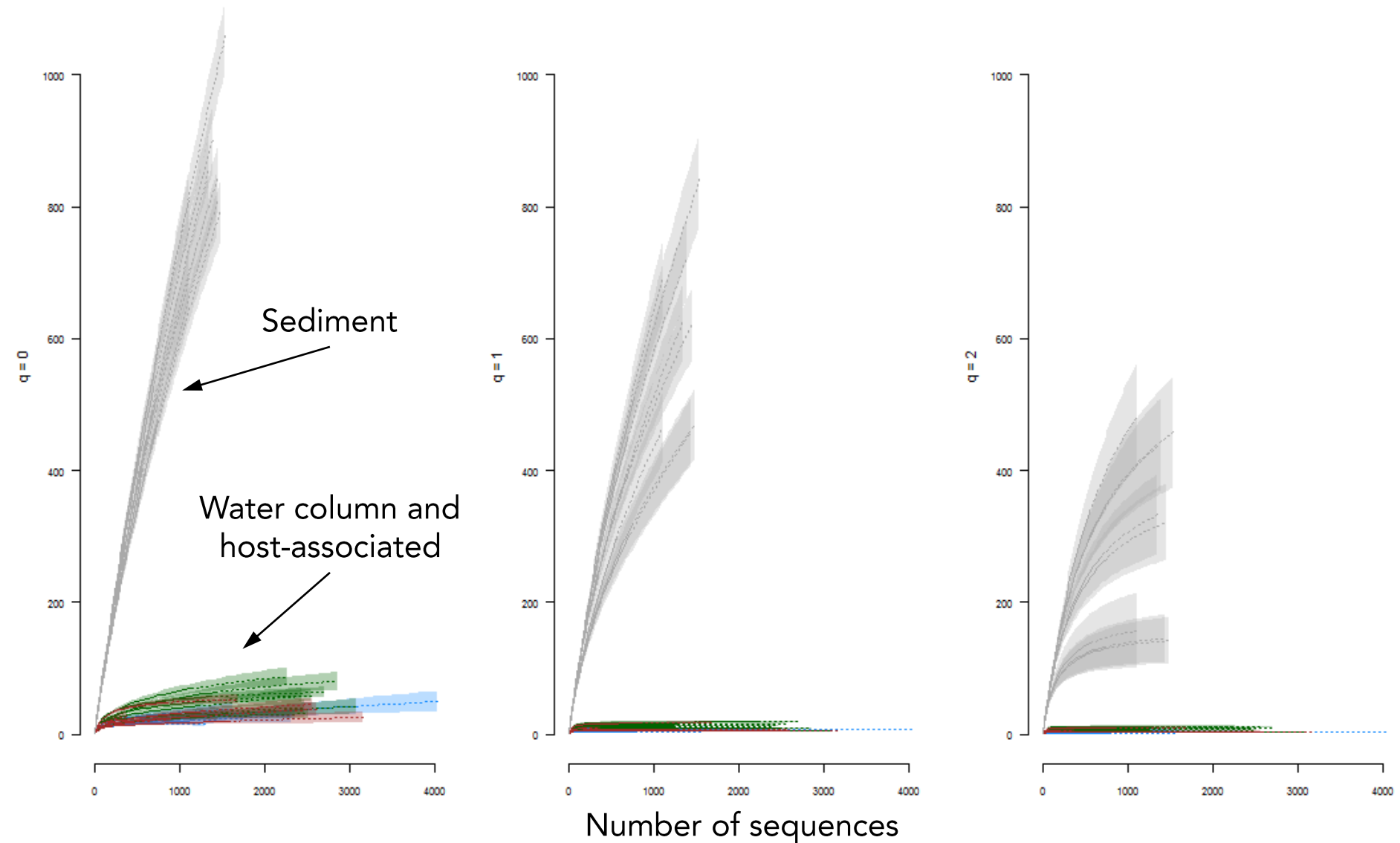
- Richness ( $q = 0$ )
- Exponential Shannon ( $q = 1$ )
- Inverse Simpson ( $q = 2$ )

$${}_qD = \left( \sum_{i=1}^S p_i^q \right)^{1/(1-q)}$$

- Sequencing depth and rare biosphere?

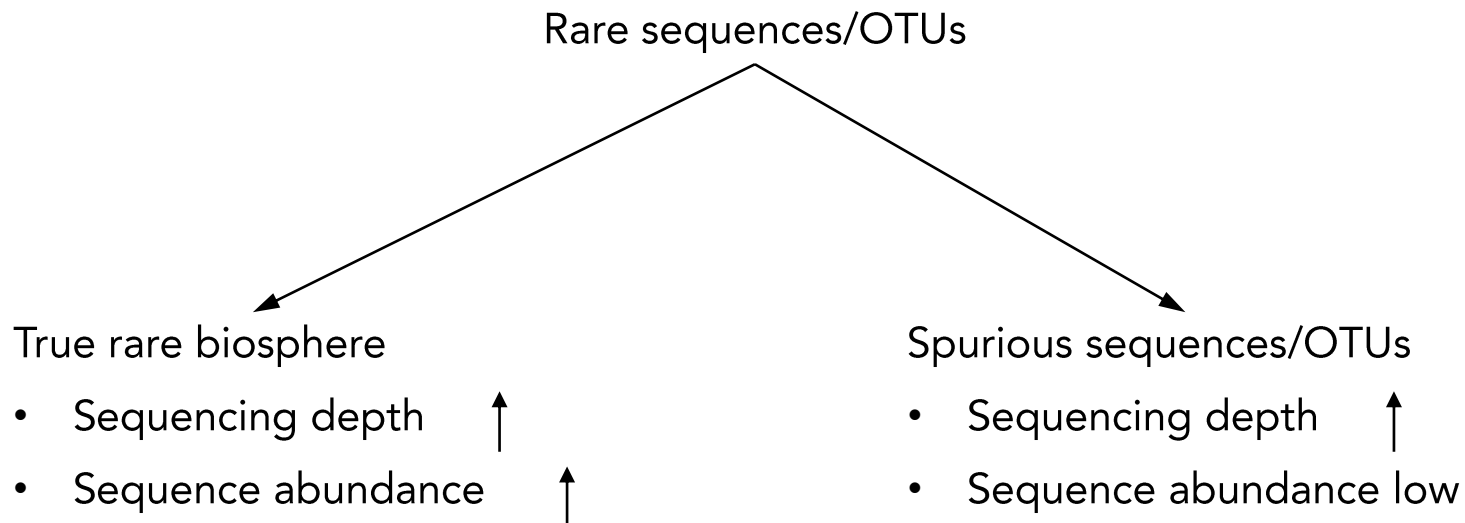
- Subsample sequences to equal library sizes
- Correct the number of singletons per sample
- Use rarefaction curves to estimate covered diversity by available sequencing depth

# Rarefaction curves



# Rare biosphere

- No technique can provide results beyond detection limit and measurement uncertainty
- Depending on error rate and sequencing depth



- Remove rare OTUs (e.g. singletons, doubletons) from your data set

# Beta diversity

## Distance vs. dissimilarity

- Community (dis)similarity between samples

	OTU1	OTU2	OTU3	OTU4			OTU1	OTU2	OTU3	OTU4
S1	14	2	14	14	presence/ absence →	S1	1	1	1	1
S2	10	14	0	8		S2	1	1	0	1
S3	0	5	0	2		S3	0	1	0	1
S4	0	0	1	0		S4	0	0	1	0

Asymmetrical vs. symmetrical  
Bray-Curtis vs. euclidean

Jaccard


  

	S1	S2	S3	S4			S1	S2	S3	S4			S1	S2	S3	S4
S1	0				S1	0	S1	0			S1	0	S1	0		
S2	0.5	0			S2	19.8	0	S2	0.25	0	S2	0.25	0			
S3	0.8	0.6	0		S3	23.3	14.7	0	S3	0.5	0.33	0	S3	0.5	0.33	0
S4	1.0	1	1	0	S4	23.8	19	5.5	0	S4	0.75	1	1	0		0

- Zeros in ecology: Is this species really not there or did we just not find it?  
→ double zeros not relevant

# Ordination

- Visualization of a multidimensional matrix in a reduced set of dimensions
- E.g.: PCA, PCoA, NMDS



Principal component analysis	Principle coordinate analysis	Non-metric multidimensional scaling
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Continuous environmental data</li> <li>• Metric ordination based on euclidean distances</li> <li>• Create new axes (principal components) along direction of highest variability (<math>N_{PC} = N_{variables}</math>)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Species abundance data</li> <li>• Metric ordination based on any kind of distance/dissimilarity measure</li> <li>• Create new axes (principal components) along direction of highest variability (<math>N_{PC} = N_{variables} - 1</math>)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Species abundance data</li> <li>• Non-metric ordination based on any kind of distance/dissimilarity measure</li> <li>• Show maximum variation in 2 (or 3) dimensions</li> </ul>

More information:

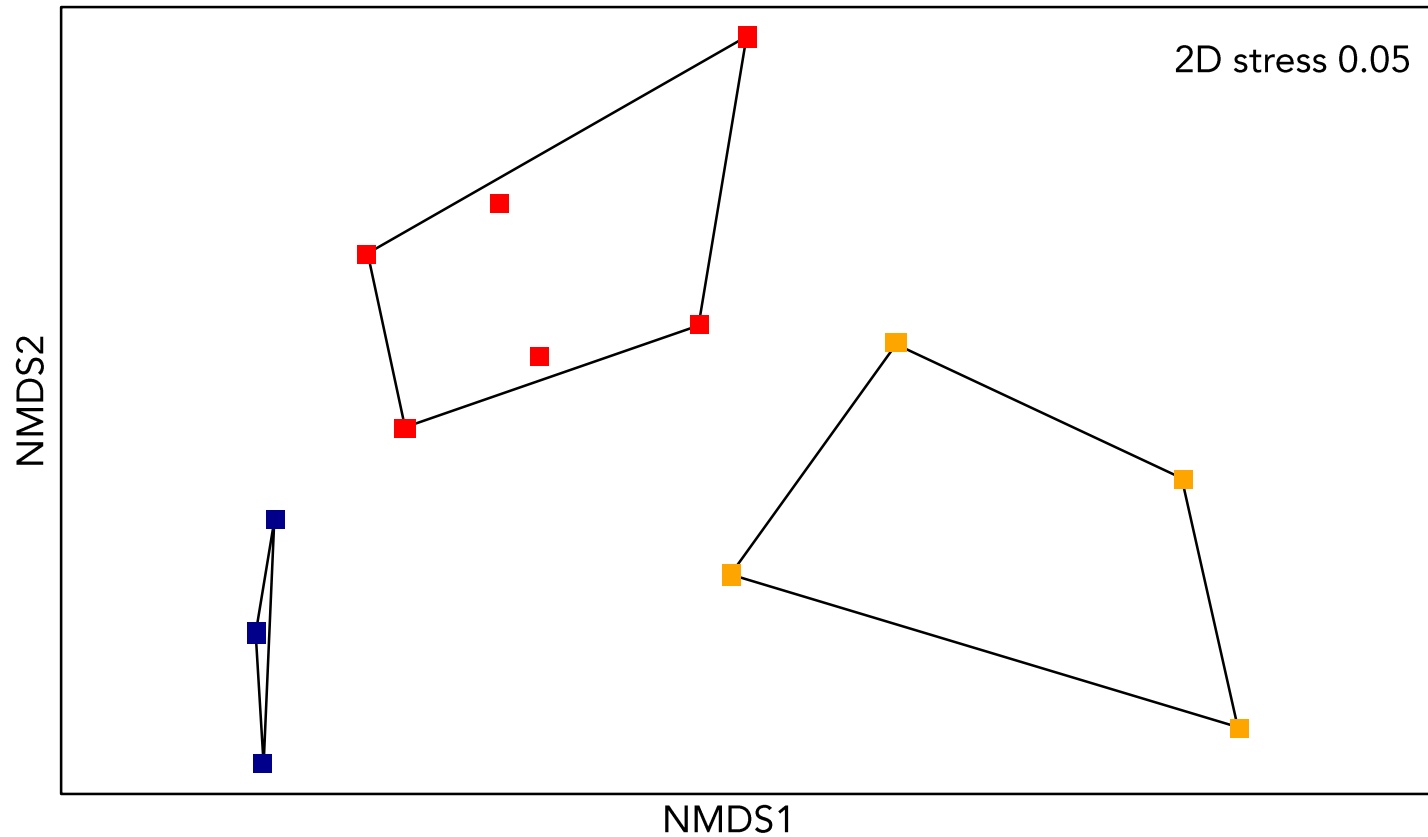
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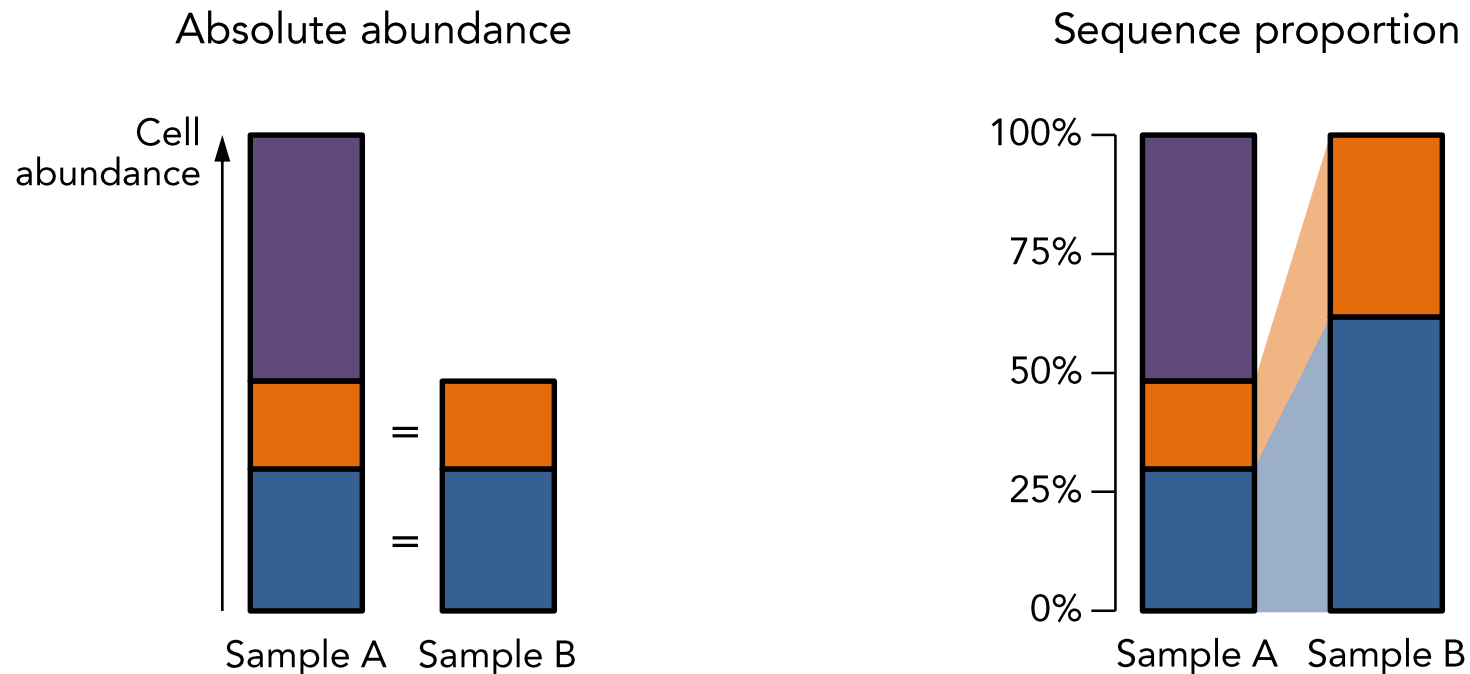
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# Compositionality

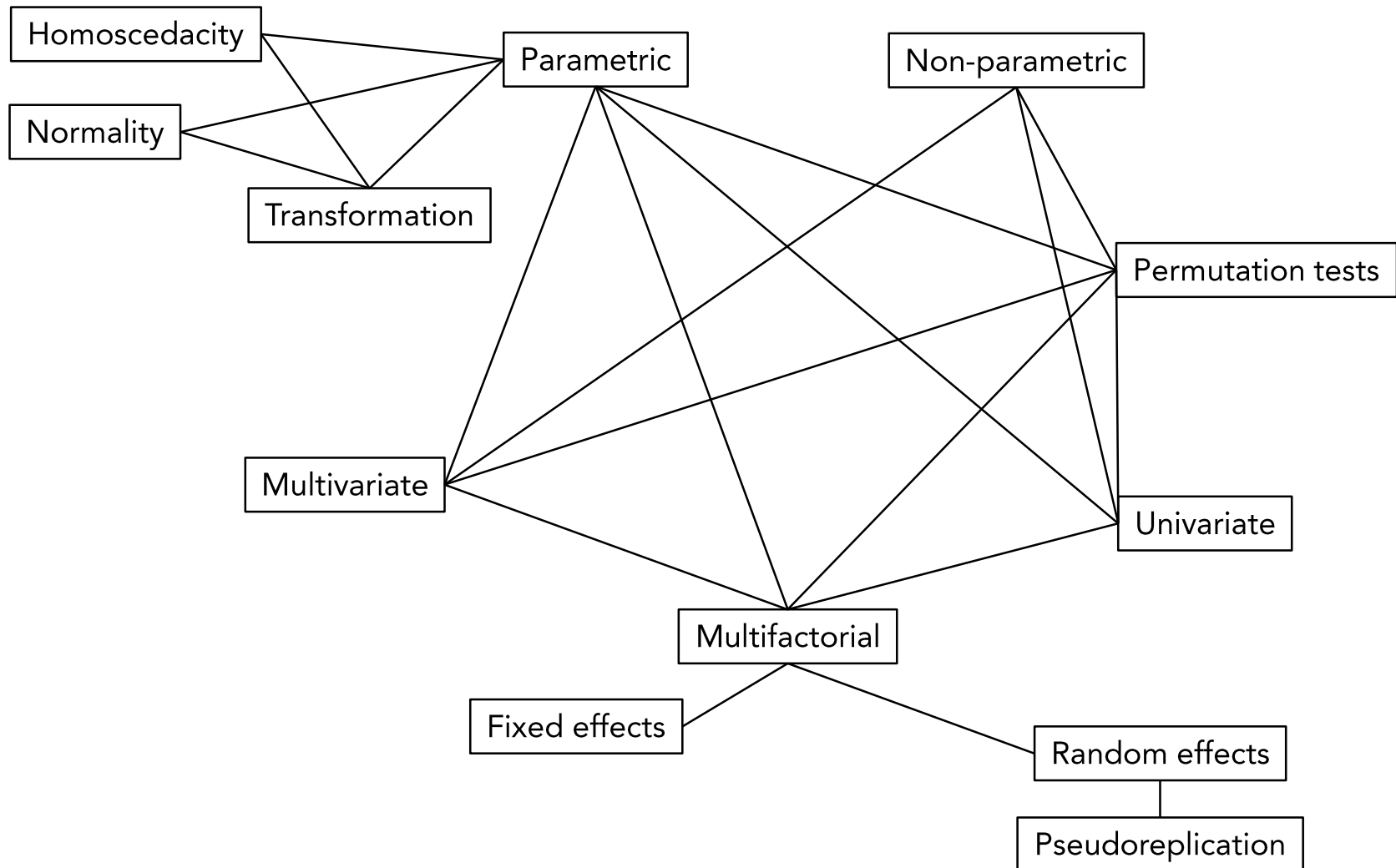
- OTU 'abundances' are not independent, but proportions of a whole



- Centered log-ratio transformation (clr):  $\log(x_i) - \log(\sqrt[n]{\text{product}(x_1 \dots x_n)})$

# Hypothesis testing

## Which test to use...



# Mixed effects models

- Extension of GLMs
- Additional feature: include random effects

- GLM: 
$$F = \frac{\text{explained variation}}{\text{unexplained variation}} = \frac{SS_{fixed}/df_{fixed}}{SS_{error}/df_{error}}$$

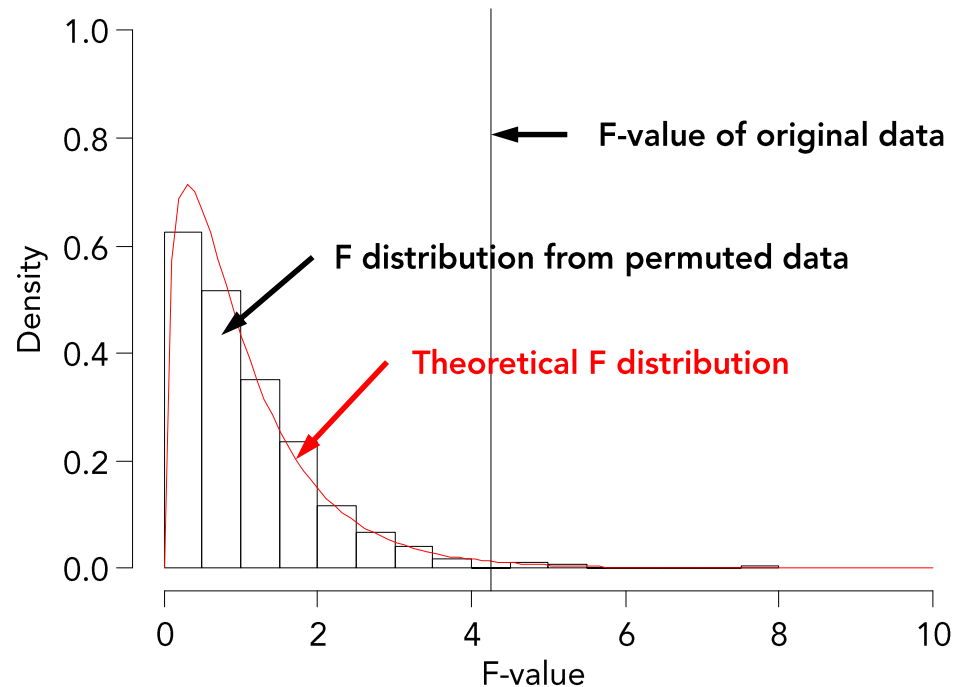
- GLMM: 
$$F = \frac{\text{explained variation}}{\text{unexplained variation}} = \frac{SS_{fixed}/df_{fixed}}{SS_{random}/df_{random}}$$

- Example: repeated measurements
  - 3 treatments x 10 replicates x 3 measurements = 90 values
  - $df_{fixed}$  ~ number of treatments
  - $df_{error}$  ~ total sample size (without random factor)
  - $df_{random}$  ~ number of levels in random factor

$df_{error}$  ↑  
 denominator ↓  
 F ↑  
 p ↓

# Permutation tests

- Create your own theoretical distribution of the test statistic
- Randomly reshuffle the response variable



- Implemented in R as default for several tests (mostly multivariate tests)

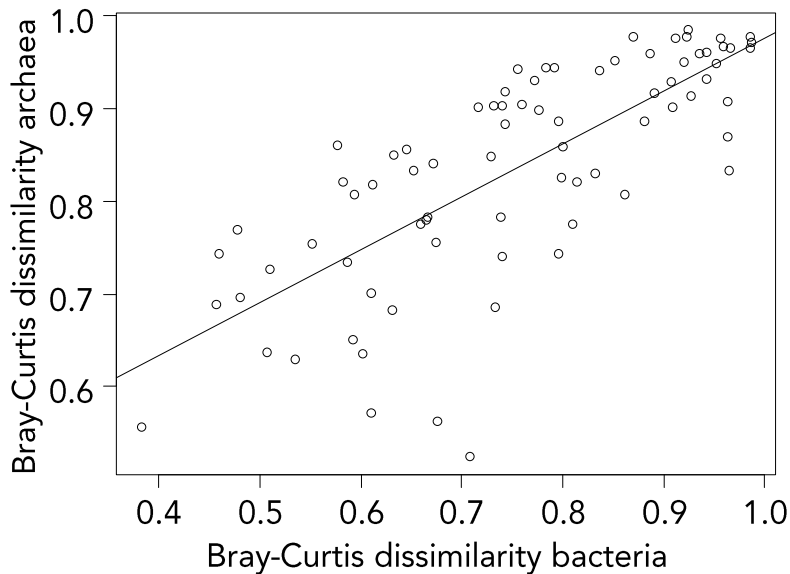
# Testing for patterns in community composition

Analysis of similarity (ANOSIM)	Non-parametric multivariate ANOVA (PERMANOVA)	Redundancy analysis (RDA)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Overlap/separation of communities</li> <li>• Unifactorial</li> <li>• Non-parametric</li> <li>• Based on ranked dissimilarities</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Indirect assessment of effects</li> <li>• Multifactorial</li> <li>• Non-parametric</li> <li>• Based on ranked dissimilarities</li> <li>• ANOVA-like output</li> <li>• Explained variation</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Constrained ordination</li> <li>• Direct assessment of marginal effects</li> <li>• Parametric</li> <li>• Linear technique</li> <li>• ANOVA-like output</li> <li>• Explained variation</li> </ul>
Based on permutation tests	Based on permutation tests	Based on permutation tests

# Comparing patterns in community composition

## Mantel test

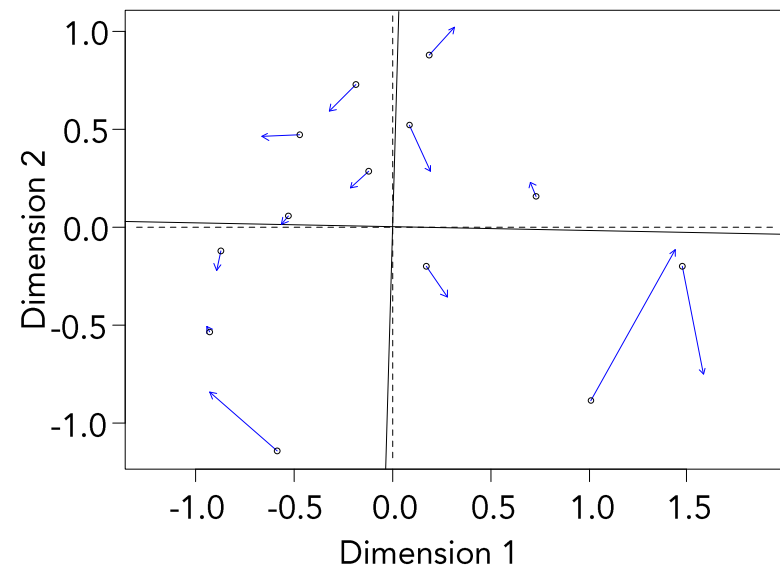
- Correlation of dissimilarity matrices
- Comparison based on all variation



Mantel statistic  $r$ : 0.7511  
Significance: 0.001

## Procrustes test

- Correlation of ordination objects
- Comparison based on the majority of the variation



Procrustes SS: 0.1266  
Correlation (symmetric rotation): 0.9346  
Significance: 0.001

## Differential OTU proportions

- Testing statistical differences between environmental conditions **for each OTU**
- Compositionality correction: clr-transformation
- P-value correction:

$$FWER = 1 - (1 - \alpha)^n$$

Family-wise error rate      Significance threshold per comparison      Number of comparisons

n	FWER
1	0.05
3	0.14
1000	~ 1

- Implementation: ALDEx2 (<http://www.microbiomejournal.com/content/2/1/15>, <https://github.com/ggloor/ALDEx2>)

Exclude rare  
OTUs

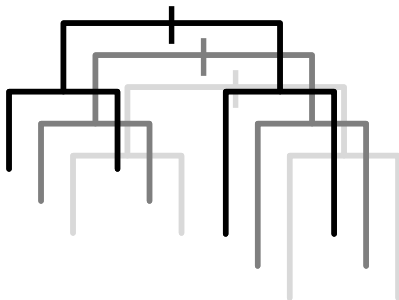


# Random forests

- Is it possible to predict a contextual parameter based on the community composition?
- Which OTUs are most important for a correct prediction?

Exclude rare OTUs

Random Forest model → Error rate (cross-validation) → Significance → Interpretation



Multiple decision trees calculated for a subset of the data (bootstrap)

Confusion matrix:

	group1	group2
group1	10	0
group2	1	9

Out-of-bag error:

- Internal validation based on samples outside bootstrap data sets

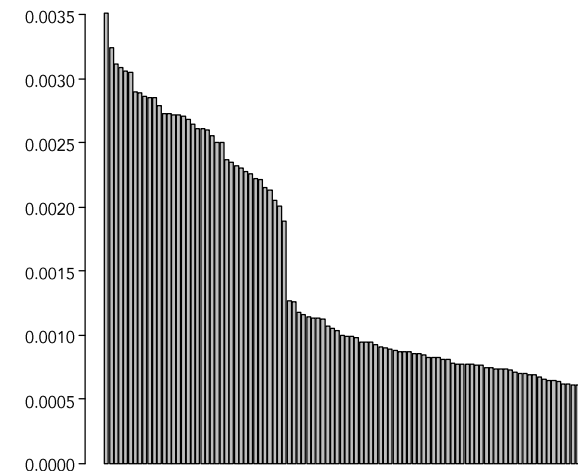
Leave-one-out cross-validation:

- Train model with  $n-1$  sample  $n$  times
- Test model with left-out sample

Permutation tests

Importance scores

- Decrease in model accuracy if features (OTUs) are removed



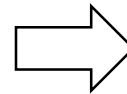
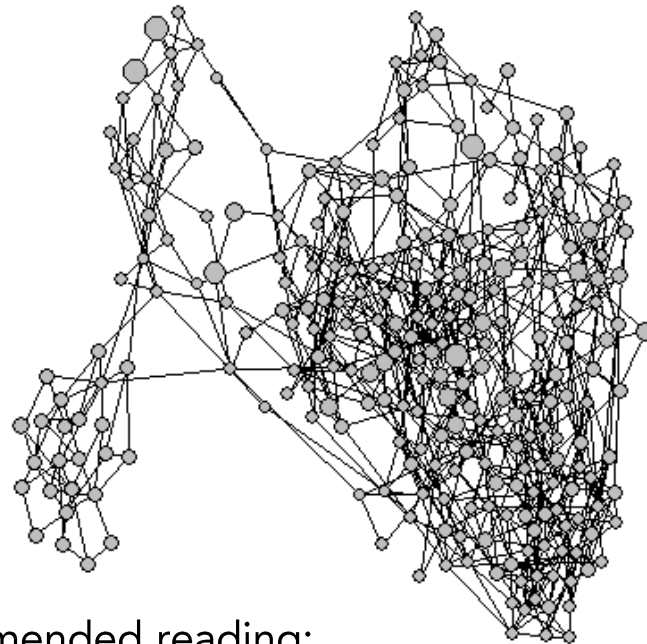
# Co-occurrence networks

- Problems: sparsity and compositionality

Exclude rare  
OTUs

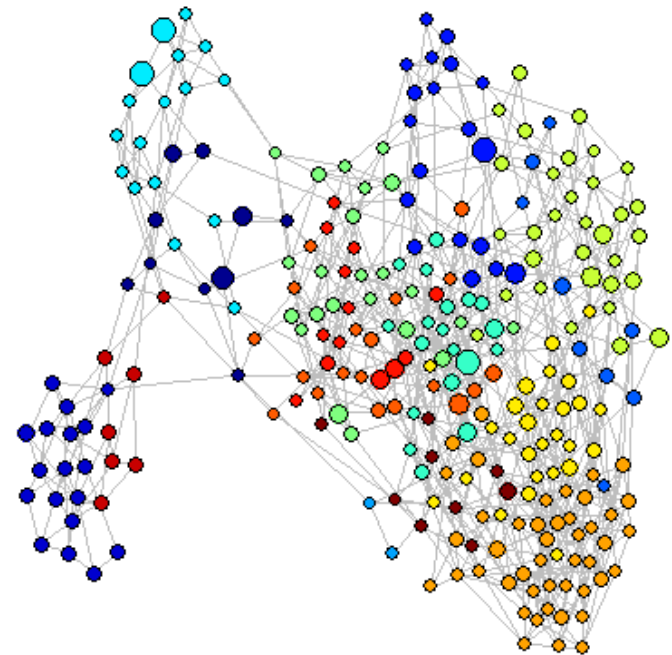
Network inference:

→ SPIEC-EASI: Sparse Inverse Covariance estimation for Ecological Association and Statistical Inference



Module detection:

→ Louvain clustering



Recommended reading:

- Röttgers & Faust (2018) FEMS Microbiology Reviews 42:761-780. doi: 10.1093/femsre/fuy030
- Chafee et al. (2017) ISMEJ 12:237-252. doi: 10.1038/ismej.2017.165
- Guidi et al. (2016) Nature 532:465-470. doi: 10.1038/nature16942

# Short introduction to R

## Data and object types

margin 2: colnames(data.frame)

data.frame

matrix

margin 1: rownames(data.frame)

	V1	V2	V3	V4	V5	V6
S1	1	0.6	5.3	"A"	A	TRUE
S2	5	-4.3	6	"B"	B	FALSE
S3	7	43.7	34.9	"C"	C	TRUE
S4	3	0.2	8	"B"	B	FALSE
S5	8	-65	-2	"A"	A	FALSE

↓ integer    ↓ numeric    ↓ numeric    ↓ character    ↓ factor    ↓ logical  
 (numeric)    (levels "A" "B" "C")

# Short introduction to R

## Getting your data into shape

### Community matrix

- Numerical matrix
- Output from sequence processing software

### Taxonomic assignment

- Character matrix or data.frame
- Output from sequence processing software

### Contextual information and metadata

- Data.frame
- Provided by user for data analysis

- Most common input format for tabular data:
  - .txt
  - .csv
  - .tsv
- Include variable names in first row (header)
- Values usually tab, space, or comma separated
- Avoid special characters and spaces in data values, variable names, and file names

	Bad	Good
Variable name	mean temperature mean-temperature mean temperature [°C]	temperature.mean
Data value	day 1	day1 1 (variable name: day)

# Short introduction to R

## Getting your data into shape

- **Bad:**

reef	site	seep.influence	pH		
Illi	S1	medium	7.92	7.93	7.91
	S12	medium	7.94	7.9	7.99
reef	site	seep.influence	SiO4		
Illi	S1	medium	4.470	4.245	4.956
	S12	medium	2.080	2.150	1.836
reef	site	seep.influence	PO4		
Illi	S1	medium	0.110	0.107	0.107
	S12	medium	0.090	0.083	0.093

Empty cells

Interspersed header

Empty rows

- **Good:**

reef	site	seep.influence	pH	SiO4	PO4
Illi	S1	medium	7.92	4.471	0.109
Illi	S1	medium	7.93	4.245	0.107
Illi	S1	medium	7.91	4.956	0.107
Illi	S12	medium	7.94	2.076	0.090
Illi	S12	medium	7.90	2.150	0.083
Illi	S12	medium	7.99	1.836	0.093

Wide data format

# Short introduction to R

## Data formats

### Long data format:

- One data value per line
- Additional columns with contextual data (usually categories)

reef	site	seep.influence	measurement	value
IIIi	1	medium	pH	7.92
IIIi	1	medium	pH	7.93
IIIi	1	medium	pH	7.91
IIIi	12	medium	pH	7.94
IIIi	12	medium	pH	7.90
IIIi	12	medium	pH	7.99
IIIi	1	medium	SiO4	4.471
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IIIi	12	medium	SiO4	1.836
IIIi	1	medium	PO4	0.109
IIIi	1	medium	PO4	0.107

### Wide data format:

- More easily readable
- Values either calculated based on or rearrangement of long data format

### Original data - rearranged

reef	site	seep.influence	pH	SiO4	PO4
IIIi	S1	medium	7.92	4.471	0.109
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IIIi	S12	medium	7.90	2.150	0.083
IIIi	S12	medium	7.99	1.836	0.093

### Mean values

reef	site	seep.influence	pH	SiO4	PO4
IIIi	S1	medium	7.92	4.539	0.108
IIIi	S12	medium	7.94	2.021	0.089

# Short introduction to R

## Errors

### Syntax errors

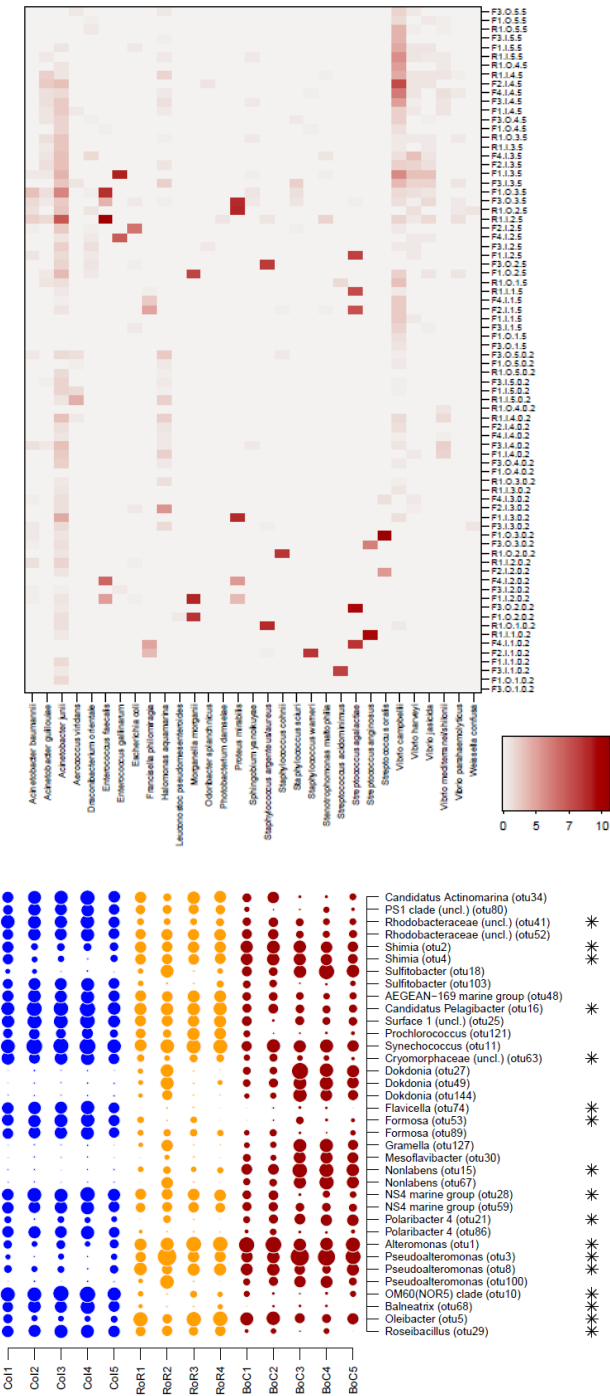
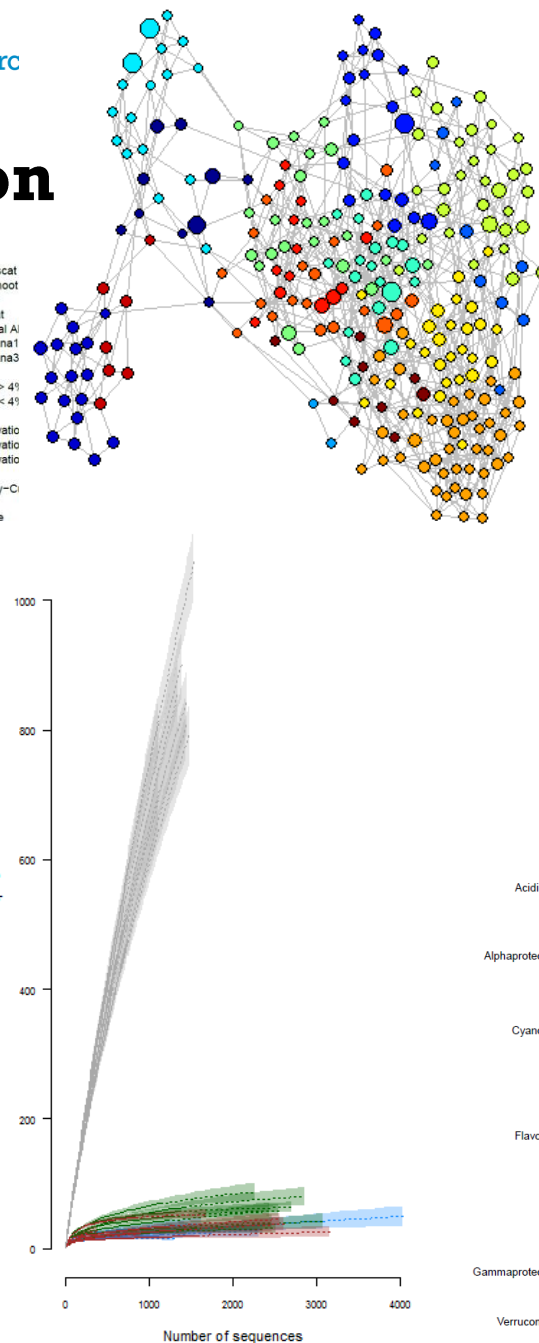
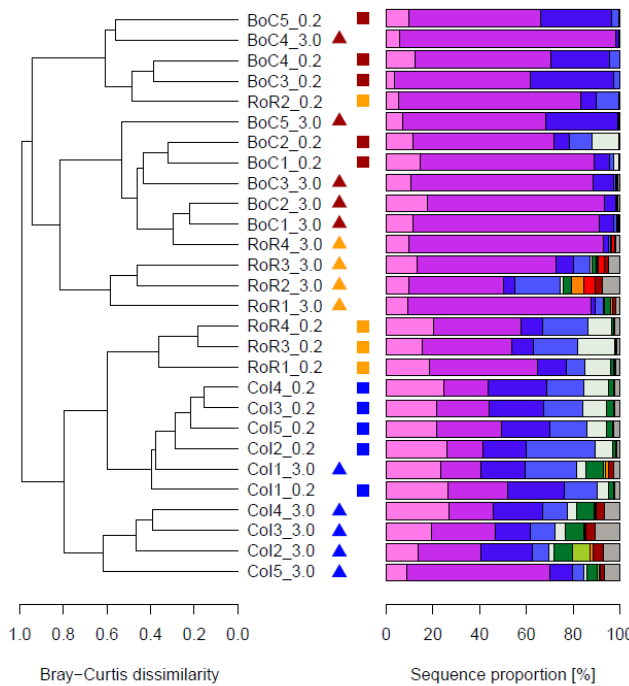
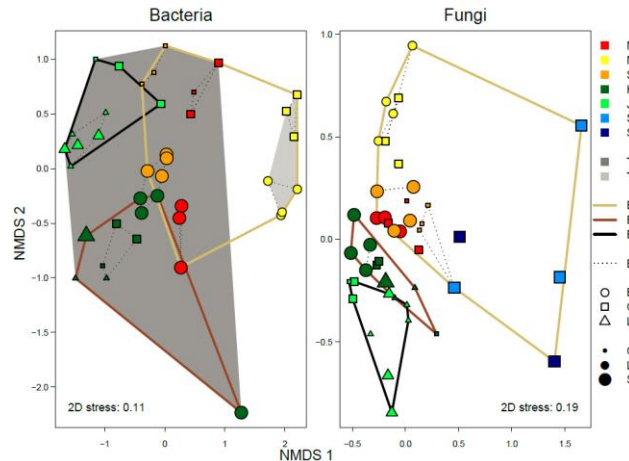
- When R doesn't understand you, because the command doesn't make sense...
- R returns an error message
- E.g.: Trying to calculate the mean of categorical data

### Semantic errors

- When R doesn't do what you want, although the command makes sense...
- R will not return an error message, because the command is valid
- More dangerous errors
- E.g.: Calculating percentages over columns, and not rows

**Google is your new best friend 😊**

# Data visualization





<http://seqanswers.com/>  
<https://peerj.com/articles/593/>  
<http://onlinelibrary.wiley.com/doi/10.1111/1755-0998.12428/abstract>  
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