range shift

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Chen et al. (2011) wanted to test the idea that organisms move to higher elevation as the climate warms. To test this, they collected data from 31 species, plotted below.

108.6 butterflies_Spain

butterflies_UK

aquatic bugs_UK

butterfies_UK

44.8

11.1

19.2

Plot

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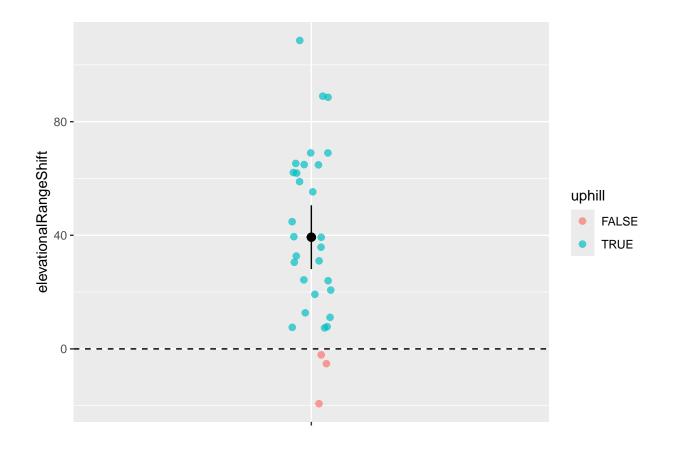
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```
range_shift <- df |>
  mutate(x = "", uphill = elevationalRangeShift > 0)

ggplot(range_shift, aes(x = x, y = elevationalRangeShift))+
  geom_jitter(aes(color = uphill), width = .05, height = 0, size = 2, alpha = .7)+
  geom_hline(yintercept = 0, lty= 2)+
  stat_summary(fun.data = "mean_cl_normal") +
  theme(axis.title.x = element_blank())
```



Normality test

```
shapiro.test(df$elevationalRangeShift)

##
## Shapiro-Wilk normality test
```

Estimate population parameters

data: df\$elevationalRangeShift
W = 0.97755, p-value = 0.7416

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mean_pop <- 0
sd_pop <- sd(df$elevationalRangeShift)</pre>
```

Run z.test

```
z.test(df$elevationalRangeShift,
    alternative='greater',
    mu=mean_pop,
    sigma.x=sd_pop)
```

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##
## One-sample z-Test
##
## data: df$elevationalRangeShift
## z = 7.1413, p-value = 4.622e-13
## alternative hypothesis: true mean is greater than 0
## 95 percent confidence interval:
## 30.2704 NA
## sample estimates:
## mean of x
## 39.32903
```

Reference

Chen, I-Ching, Jane K. Hill, Ralf Ohlem \tilde{A}^{1} /aller, David B. Roy, and Chris D. Thomas. 2011. Rapid Range Shifts of Species Associated with High Levels of Climate Warming. Science 333 (6045): 1024-26. https://doi.org/10.1126/science.1206432.