Phylogenetic Diversity - Communities

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Pruning trees to only include species from phylogeny (phy) that are present in the community (comm)

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# # Prune a phylogenetic tree to include only species present
# It's not clear that we will need the `prune.sample` function
# Need to make sure OTU names in comm match names in phy
# prunedphy <- prune.sample(comm, phy)
#
# par(mfrow = c(2, 3)) # figure with 2 rows and 3 columns
#
# for (i in row.names(com)) {
# plot(prunedphy, show.tip.label = FALSE, main = i)
# tiplabels(tip = which(prunedphy$tip.label %in% names(which(com [i, ] > 0))), pch = 19, cex = 2)
# }
```

One common way to test for phylogenetic clustering and overdispersion is to use the Net Relatedness Index (NRI). NRI is caculated with the following equation: $-\frac{MPD_{obs}-\overline{MPD_{null}}}{\sigma(MPD_{null})}$ where MPD_{obs} is the mean phylogenetic distance cacluated from pairwise branch lengths in a sample, $\overline{MPD_{null}}$ is the mean of the MPD values generated via randomization, and σMPD_{null} is the standard deviation of the MPD values generated via randomization. Negative NRI values indicate that a sample is phylogenetically overdispersed; that is, taxa are less related to one another than expected. Positive NRI values indicate that a sample is phylogenetically underdispersed, or clustered, such that taxa are more closely related to on another than expected. Let's use picante to calucate NRI: