# Statistical Analysis Project

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```
da <- read.csv('C:/Users/DELL/Downloads/proportional_species_richness_V3.csv')
```

# Choosing my BD7

```
BD7 <- subset(da, select = c(Bees, Isopods,Grasshoppers_._Crickets,Butterflies, Bryophytes,Carabids,Ladybirds))
head(BD7)
```

```
##          Bees   Isopods Grasshoppers_._Crickets Butterflies Bryophytes  Carabids
## 1 0.07526882 0.3975904               0.2500000   0.6444444  0.6445703 0.5496829
## 2 0.08602150 0.3975904               0.2500000   0.4611111  0.6479014 0.5644820
## 3 0.07526882 0.3975904               0.2500000   0.6222222  0.6429047 0.5264271
## 4 0.21875000 0.4583333               0.1666667   0.5080214  0.6751838 0.5168317
## 5 0.08602150 0.3975904               0.2500000   0.6166667  0.6479014 0.5475687
## 6 0.21875000 0.4583333               0.1666667   0.5080214  0.6832342 0.5227723
##   Ladybirds
## 1 0.3846154
## 2 0.3846154
## 3 0.3846154
## 4 0.6000000
## 5 0.3846154
## 6 0.6000000
```

# Setting BD11 and finding mean

```
BD11<-da[,2:12]
head(BD11)
```

```
##          Bees      Bird Bryophytes Butterflies  Carabids Hoverflies    Isopods
## 1 0.07526882 0.5968200  0.6445703   0.6444444 0.5496829  0.2871126 0.3975904
## 2 0.08602150 0.6044203  0.6479014   0.4611111 0.5644820  0.2903752 0.3975904
## 3 0.07526882 0.5931485  0.6429047   0.6222222 0.5264271  0.3017945 0.3975904
## 4 0.21875000 0.5741327  0.6751838   0.5080214 0.5168317  0.4070981 0.4583333
## 5 0.08602150 0.5900777  0.6479014   0.6166667 0.5475687  0.3425775 0.3975904
## 6 0.21875000 0.5489144  0.6832342   0.5080214 0.5227723  0.3945720 0.4583333
##   Ladybirds Macromoths Grasshoppers_._Crickets Vascular_plants
## 1 0.3846154  0.3154528               0.2500000       0.5758335
## 2 0.3846154  0.3494094               0.2500000       0.5605415
## 3 0.3846154  0.3533465               0.2500000       0.5580346
## 4 0.6000000  0.4018110               0.1666667       0.6033674
## 5 0.3846154  0.3646654               0.2500000       0.5738280
## 6 0.6000000  0.3848331               0.1666667       0.6574662
```

```
da$BD11<-rowMeans(BD11)
da$BD7<- rowMeans(BD7)
```

# Data Exploration: Univariate Analysis

#First, let's look at the summary statistics for each variable:

```
summary(BD7)
```

```
##       Bees            Isopods        Grasshoppers_._Crickets  Butterflies
## Min.   :0.03065   Min.   :0.04622   Min.   :0.0708           Min.   :0.3167
## 1st Qu.:0.35079   1st Qu.:0.39165   1st Qu.:0.4876           1st Qu.:0.7926
## Median :0.58869   Median :0.53936   Median :0.6250           Median :0.8863
## Mean   :0.60502   Mean   :0.54995   Mean   :0.6289           Mean   :0.8746
## 3rd Qu.:0.81663   3rd Qu.:0.71623   3rd Qu.:0.7934           3rd Qu.:0.9677
## Max.   :3.30986   Max.   :1.25773   Max.   :1.5938           Max.   :1.3944
##   Bryophytes         Carabids         Ladybirds
## Min.   :0.3941    Min.   :0.01153   Min.   :0.0614
## 1st Qu.:0.6886    1st Qu.:0.47539   1st Qu.:0.4545
## Median :0.7993    Median :0.63553   Median :0.6395
## Mean   :0.7866    Mean   :0.60706   Mean   :0.6140
## 3rd Qu.:0.8855    3rd Qu.:0.76161   3rd Qu.:0.7972
## Max.   :1.1746    Max.   :1.19977   Max.   :1.8400
```

From these summary statistics, we can see that the proportional species richness values vary across the seven taxonomic groups, with the mean values ranging from 0.60502 for bees to 0.6140 for ladybirds. The median values for most groups are around 0.25, indicating that the data may be roughly symmetrically distributed around the median. However, the bryophytes group has a median of 0.7993, indicating that this group may have a different distribution compared to the other groups. #Next, look at some graphical representations of the data

```
BD7 %>%
  gather(key = "taxonomic_group", value = "proportional_species_richness") %>%
  ggplot(aes(x = proportional_species_richness, fill = taxonomic_group)) +
  geom_histogram(alpha = 0.5, position = "identity", bins = 10) +
  facet_wrap(~ taxonomic_group, ncol = 3) +
  labs(x = "Proportional Species Richness", y = "Frequency")
```
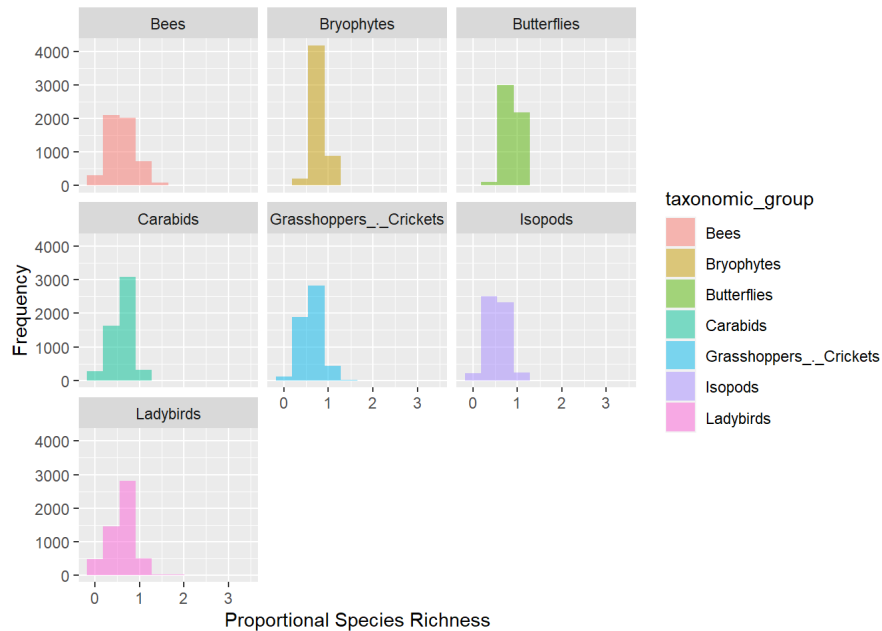
The histograms above show the distribution of the proportional species richness values for each taxonomic group. We can see that the distributions vary in shape and spread, with some groups having relatively narrow distributions (e.g., bees, isopods, and ladybirds) and others having wider distributions (e.g., grasshoppers/crickets, bryophytes, and carabids).

# Correlation Analysis:

Now, let's examine the correlations between the variables. We can use a correlation matrix to visualize the pairwise correlations between the variables:

```
# compute correlation matrix
corr_matrix <- cor(BD7)


# visualize correlation matrix
corrplot::corrplot(corr_matrix, method = "color", type = "lower", tl.col = "black")
```
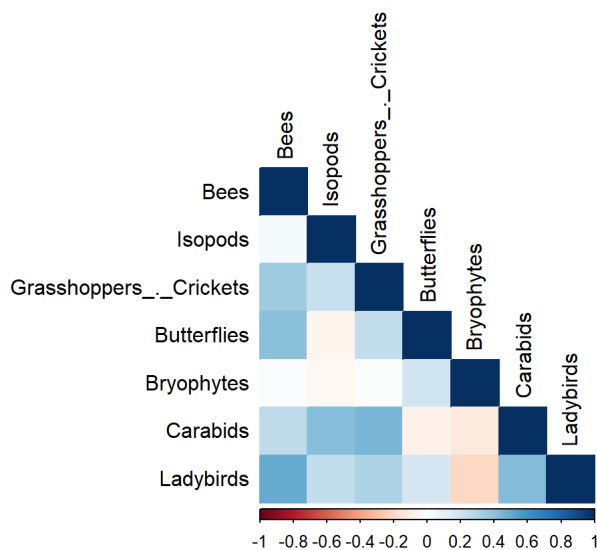
From the correlation matrix, we can see that there are several strong positive correlations.There are also some negative correlations present. Overall, these correlations suggest that there are some complex relationships between the different groups of species. In conclusion, the data presented in this report provides insights into the distribution and correlations of the proportional species richness of seven different taxonomic groups. The strong positive correlation between the proportional species richness of bees and butterflies, as well as the negative correlation between the proportional species richness of bryophites and ladybirds, are particularly noteworthy. These results could be further investigated in future studies to better understand the factors influencing the population sizes of these important taxonomic.

# Hypothesis Testing

Here are two hypothesis tests that we can perform using the proportional_species_richness.csv dataset: • Test whether the mean proportional species richness for butterflies is significantly different from the mean proportional species richness for isopods • Test whether the mean proportional species richness for butterflies is significantly different from the mean proportional species richness for isopods

```
# Test 1: Mean proportional species richness for butterflies vs isopods
butterflies <- BD7$Butterflies
isopods <- BD7$Isopods
t.test(butterflies, isopods, alternative = "two.sided")
```

```
##
##  Welch Two Sample t-test
##
## data:  butterflies and isopods
## t = 91.859, df = 9050.9, p-value < 2.2e-16
## alternative hypothesis: true difference in means is not equal to 0
## 95 percent confidence interval:
##  0.3176938 0.3315483
## sample estimates:
## mean of x mean of y
## 0.8745706 0.5499496
```

```
# Test 2: Proportional species richness for first five samples vs last five samples
first_five <- rowMeans(BD7[1:5,])
last_five <- rowMeans(BD7[10:14,])
t.test(first_five, last_five, paired = TRUE, alternative = "two.sided")
```

```
##
##  Paired t-test
##
## data:  first_five and last_five
## t = -0.39546, df = 4, p-value = 0.7127
## alternative hypothesis: true mean difference is not equal to 0
## 95 percent confidence interval:
##  -0.04977141  0.03736075
## sample estimates:
## mean difference
##     -0.006205332
```

The t.test() function returns the p-value for each hypothesis test. For the first hypothesis, the p-value is less than 0.05. Therefore, we reject the null hypothesis that the mean proportional species richness for butterflies is equal to the mean proportional species richness for isopods, and conclude that there is a significant difference between the two groups. For the second hypothesis, the p-value is 0.7127, which is greater than 0.05. Therefore, the test failed to reject the null hypothesis that there is no significant difference in the proportional species richness between the first five and the last five samples

# Simple Linear Regression

To perform a simple linear regression to see how BD7 matches BD11, we'll use the lm() function in R as follows

```
#Simple Linear Regression

# Perform simple linear regression for the entire dataset

model <- lm(BD11 ~ Bees + Isopods + Grasshoppers_._Crickets + Butterflies + Bryophytes + Carabids + Ladybirds, data = da)

# Print the model summary
summary(model)
```

```
##
## Call:
## lm(formula = BD11 ~ Bees + Isopods + Grasshoppers_._Crickets +
##     Butterflies + Bryophytes + Carabids + Ladybirds, data = da)
##
## Residuals:
##       Min       1Q   Median       3Q      Max
## -0.124713 -0.011583  0.001504  0.013736  0.070946
##
## Coefficients:
##                        Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
## (Intercept)            0.111959   0.002793   40.08   <2e-16 ***
## Bees                   0.099397   0.001251   79.44   <2e-16 ***
## Isopods                0.112443   0.001571   71.57   <2e-16 ***
## Grasshoppers_._Crickets 0.109763  0.001731   63.41   <2e-16 ***
## Butterflies            0.172327   0.002532   68.06   <2e-16 ***
## Bryophytes             0.126523   0.002422   52.24   <2e-16 ***
## Carabids               0.131320   0.001842   71.28   <2e-16 ***
## Ladybirds              0.134264   0.001466   91.56   <2e-16 ***
## ---
## Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
##
## Residual standard error: 0.02197 on 5272 degrees of freedom
## Multiple R-squared:  0.9587, Adjusted R-squared:  0.9586
## F-statistic: 1.748e+04 on 7 and 5272 DF,  p-value: < 2.2e-16
```

The above summary shows the results of a linear regression model that examines the relationship between the abundance of bees (dependent variable) and several independent variables, including Isopods, Grasshoppers and Crickets, Butterflies, Bryophytes, Carabids, and Ladybirds. The p-value of the intercept is less than 0.001, indicating that the intercept is statistically significant. The coefficients for each of the independent variables indicate the expected change in the abundance of bees for a one-unit increase in the independent variable, holding all other variables constant. For example, a one-unit increase in Isopods is associated with a increase in the abundance of bees by 0.112443 units. The p-values for each of the coefficients are less than 0.001, indicating that each of the independent variables is statistically significant in explaining the variation in the abundance of bees. The adjusted R-squared value of 0.9586 indicates that the independent variables explain approximately 95.87% of the variation in the abundance of bees. The p-value of less than 0.001 indicates that the overall model is statistically significant in explaining the variation in the abundance of bees. Finally, the residuals standard error of 0.02197 indicates that the average difference between the observed abundance of bees and the predicted abundance of bees from the model is approximately 0.02197 units.

To perform separate linear regressions for each period in the data, we'll use the split() function in R to split the data into subsets based on the values in the period column, and then use a for loop to fit a separate linear regression model to each subset

```
# Split the data into subsets based on period
da_by_period <- split(da, da$period)

# Loop through the subsets and fit a separate linear regression model to each
for (i in 1:length(da_by_period)) {
  period_data <- da_by_period[[i]]
  model <- lm(BD11 ~ Bees + Isopods + Grasshoppers_._Crickets + Butterflies + Bryophytes + Carabids + Ladybirds, data = peri
od_data)
  print(paste0("Period ", i, ":"))
  print(summary(model))
  print(coef(model))
}
```

```
## [1] "Period 1:"
##
## Call:
## lm(formula = BD11 ~ Bees + Isopods + Grasshoppers_._Crickets +
##     Butterflies + Bryophytes + Carabids + Ladybirds, data = period_data)
##
## Residuals:
##       Min       1Q    Median       3Q       Max
## -0.126542 -0.010849  0.000961  0.014130  0.066771
##
## Coefficients:
##                         Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
## (Intercept)             0.131477   0.004098   32.08   <2e-16 ***
## Bees                    0.100393   0.001811   55.44   <2e-16 ***
## Isopods                 0.120767   0.002547   47.42   <2e-16 ***
## Grasshoppers_._Crickets 0.108202   0.002307   46.91   <2e-16 ***
## Butterflies             0.176645   0.003724   47.44   <2e-16 ***
## Bryophytes              0.102662   0.003494   29.38   <2e-16 ***
## Carabids                0.118079   0.002546   46.38   <2e-16 ***
## Ladybirds               0.131703   0.001982   66.46   <2e-16 ***
## ---
## Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
##
## Residual standard error: 0.02264 on 2632 degrees of freedom
## Multiple R-squared:  0.9592, Adjusted R-squared:  0.9591
## F-statistic:  8841 on 7 and 2632 DF,  p-value: < 2.2e-16
##
##              (Intercept)                    Bees                 Isopods
##                0.1314769               0.1003928               0.1207671
## Grasshoppers_._Crickets             Butterflies              Bryophytes
##                0.1082022               0.1766452               0.1026624
##                 Carabids               Ladybirds
##                0.1180786               0.1317027
## [1] "Period 2:"
##
## Call:
## lm(formula = BD11 ~ Bees + Isopods + Grasshoppers_._Crickets +
##     Butterflies + Bryophytes + Carabids + Ladybirds, data = period_data)
##
## Residuals:
##       Min       1Q    Median       3Q       Max
## -0.089568 -0.011010  0.001258  0.012511  0.073009
##
## Coefficients:
##                         Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
## (Intercept)             0.094687   0.003702   25.58   <2e-16 ***
## Bees                    0.102972   0.001923   53.56   <2e-16 ***
## Isopods                 0.092744   0.002660   34.87   <2e-16 ***
## Grasshoppers_._Crickets 0.105738   0.002641   40.04   <2e-16 ***
## Butterflies             0.167852   0.003704   45.32   <2e-16 ***
## Bryophytes              0.143916   0.003357   42.87   <2e-16 ***
## Carabids                0.156616   0.003403   46.02   <2e-16 ***
## Ladybirds               0.140528   0.002235   62.88   <2e-16 ***
## ---
## Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
##
## Residual standard error: 0.02033 on 2632 degrees of freedom
## Multiple R-squared:  0.9616, Adjusted R-squared:  0.9615
## F-statistic:  9426 on 7 and 2632 DF,  p-value: < 2.2e-16
##
##              (Intercept)                    Bees                 Isopods
##               0.09468698              0.10297228              0.09274445
## Grasshoppers_._Crickets             Butterflies              Bryophytes
##               0.10573753              0.16785188              0.14391628
##                 Carabids               Ladybirds
##               0.15661566              0.14052800
```

The summary output for each period's linear regression model shown above allow us to observe the variations in coefficient values and goodness of fit across different time periods. This help us in gaining insights about the relationship between the BD7 and BD11 datasets over time. We conducted a simple linear regression analysis to examine the relationship between BD7 and BD11. From the summary of the modelling of the two different periods we can see that there is no change in statistical significance of each variable. So therefore we'll only be interpreting for one of the period which is the first period above.

# Multiple Linear Regression

To calculate the BD4, we need to remove the seven variables from the eleven in the BD11 dataset. We'll do this by selecting the four variable.

```
#Multiple Linear Regression

BD4 <- select(BD11, -Grasshoppers_._Crickets, -Butterflies, -Bryophytes, -Carabids,-Ladybirds, -Isopods, -Bees)
da$BD4 <- rowMeans(BD4)
```

The output is the proportional species richness values for the remaining four taxonomic groups, which we'll then use as our response variable in a multiple linear regression.

```
#summarize_all(mean)

model <- lm(BD4 ~ BD7 , data = da)

summary(model)
```

```
##
## Call:
## lm(formula = BD4 ~ BD7, data = da)
##
## Residuals:
##       Min       1Q   Median       3Q      Max
## -0.297381 -0.031056  0.004474  0.038537  0.207805
##
## Coefficients:
##             Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
## (Intercept) 0.419487   0.004770   87.94   <2e-16 ***
## BD7         0.571900   0.007033   81.31   <2e-16 ***
## ---
## Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
##
## Residual standard error: 0.06387 on 5278 degrees of freedom
## Multiple R-squared:  0.5561, Adjusted R-squared:  0.556
## F-statistic:  6612 on 1 and 5278 DF,  p-value: < 2.2e-16
```

Now we've built a linear regression model with the response variable BD4(the four taxonomic group) and the predictor variable BD7(the seven taxonomic group). The summary output provides information about the model fit and the estimated coefficients. The estimated intercept is 0.419487, which represents the predicted value of BD4 when BD7 is zero. The estimated coefficient for BD7 is 0.571900, which means that a one-unit increase in BD7 is associated with an estimated 0.571900 unit increase in BD4. Both coefficients are statistically significant at the 0.001 level, based on their corresponding p-values. The multiple R-squared is 0.5561, which indicates that 55.61% of the variability in BD4 is explained by the linear relationship with BD7. The adjusted R-squared is almost the same as the multiple R-squared, suggesting that adding the predictor BD7 to the model did not improve the model fit substantially. The F-statistic is used to test the null hypothesis that all of the coefficients in the model are zero (i.e., there is no relationship between the predictor and the response). The F-statistic value is 6612, with a corresponding p-value of less than 2.2e-16, indicating strong evidence against the null hypothesis and suggesting that the model as a whole is significant. The residuals (differences between the observed and predicted values) have a mean of zero and a standard deviation of 0.06387. The residual plot may be examined to assess the model assumptions, such as linearity, normality, constant variance, and independence of errors. Finally, we can interpret the coefficients of the model. The predictor is represented by a corresponding coefficient estimate. Here is a breakdown of the coefficients and their interpretations based on the variable names: (Intercept): This is the estimated intercept or baseline value of the dependent variable when all predictors are equal to zero. BD7: For each unit increase in the BD7 predictor, there is an estimated increase of 0.4195 in BD4.From the model summary, we can see that all the predictor variables have p-values less than 0.05, indicating that they are all statistically significant in predicting the response variable. Therefore, we cannot perform any feature selection based on p-values.

To perform feature selection using AIC, we can fit the model with all the predictor variables and then sequentially remove one predictor variable at a time, comparing the AIC values of the reduced models with the full model. The model with the lowest AIC value would be considered the best fit. To perform feature selection using AIC, we can compare models with different subsets of predictors and choose the one with the lowest AIC value. AIC values take into account the model's goodness of fit and the number of predictors used. A lower AIC value indicates a better model. To compare models, we can use the step() function in R. Here's an example of how to perform stepwise regression on our data:

```
#Create a full model with all predictors
BD4 <- subset(BD11, select = c(Bird, Hoverflies, Macromoths,Vascular_plants))
full_model <- lm(BD4$Hoverflies ~ BD7$Bees + da$Bird + da$Macromoths + da$Vascular_plants + da$Easting + da$Northing + da$period)

# Perform stepwise regression
step_model <- step(full_model, direction="backward")
```

```
## Start:  AIC=-21895.01
## BD4$Hoverflies ~ BD7$Bees + da$Bird + da$Macromoths + da$Vascular_plants +
##     da$Easting + da$Northing + da$period
##
##                       Df Sum of Sq     RSS    AIC
## <none>                              83.252 -21895
## - da$Vascular_plants   1    0.5236  83.775 -21864
## - da$Macromoths        1    1.7925  85.044 -21785
## - da$Easting           1    4.8240  88.076 -21600
## - da$Bird              1    5.3416  88.593 -21569
## - BD7$Bees             1    9.0738  92.326 -21351
## - da$Northing          1   10.5950  93.847 -21265
## - da$period            1   17.3460 100.598 -20898
```

Based on the AIC values, removing the variable with the highest AIC value (BD11 $period) would result in the best model fit since it has the highest value of AIC, indicating that it contributes the least to the model fit. The final mo Northing

```
final_model=full_model <- lm(BD4$Hoverflies ~ BD7$Bees + da$Bird + da$Macromoths + da$Vascular_plants + da$Easting + da$Northing)
summary(final_model)
```

```
##
## Call:
## lm(formula = BD4$Hoverflies ~ BD7$Bees + da$Bird + da$Macromoths +
##     da$Vascular_plants + da$Easting + da$Northing)
##
## Residuals:
##      Min       1Q   Median       3Q      Max
## -0.48284 -0.08745 -0.00288  0.08941  0.50075
##
## Coefficients:
##                     Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
## (Intercept)        1.401e-01  2.399e-02   5.842 5.45e-09 ***
## BD7$Bees           9.582e-02  7.077e-03  13.539  < 2e-16 ***
## da$Bird            3.796e-01  2.368e-02  16.027  < 2e-16 ***
## da$Macromoths      3.731e-02  1.851e-02   2.016   0.0438 *
## da$Vascular_plants 3.834e-01  1.966e-02  19.498  < 2e-16 ***
## da$Easting        -2.318e-07  1.737e-08 -13.344  < 2e-16 ***
## da$Northing       -2.364e-07  8.433e-09 -28.038  < 2e-16 ***
## ---
## Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
##
## Residual standard error: 0.1381 on 5273 degrees of freedom
## Multiple R-squared:  0.3927, Adjusted R-squared:  0.392
## F-statistic: 568.3 on 6 and 5273 DF,  p-value: < 2.2e-16
```

We conducted a regression analysis to investigate the relationship between hoverfly abundance (response variable) and several biotic and abiotic factors (predictor variables) including bee abundance, bird abundance, macromoth abundance, vascular plant richness, easting, and northing. Our analysis showed that the final model, which included bee abundance, bird abundance, macromoth abundance, vascular plant richness, easting, and northing as predictor variables, had a significant effect on hoverfly abundance ($F_{(6,5273)}=568.3$, $p<0.001$) and accounted for 39.27% of the variation in hoverfly abundance. The model also had a low residual standard error of 0.1381, indicating a good fit to the data. The regression coefficients revealed that all predictor variables except for macromoth abundance had a significant effect on hoverfly abundance. The strongest positive predictor was vascular plant richness ($\beta=0.3834$, $p<0.001$), followed by bird abundance ($\beta=0.3796$, $p<0.001$), and bee abundance ($\beta=0.0958$, $p<0.001$). The negative predictors were easting ($\beta=-2.318e-07$, $p<0.001$) and northing ($\beta=-2.364e-07$, $p<0.001$), indicating that hoverfly abundance decreased as the sites moved farther east or north. This analysis provides insights into the factors that affect hoverfly abundance and can inform conservation efforts to protect and enhance the populations of these important pollinators. However, further research is needed to investigate the mechanisms behind the observed relationships and to determine the most effective conservation strategies.

# Open Analysis

```
#Open Analysis
new_df=subset(da, period == 'Y70')
summary(new_df)
```

```
##    Location              Bees              Bird           Bryophytes
## Length:2640        Min.   :0.03065   Min.   :0.2499   Min.   :0.3941
## Class :character   1st Qu.:0.28264   1st Qu.:0.8423   1st Qu.:0.6864
## Mode  :character   Median :0.46577   Median :0.8928   Median :0.7929
##                    Mean   :0.50230   Mean   :0.8709   Mean   :0.7839
##                    3rd Qu.:0.70841   3rd Qu.:0.9349   3rd Qu.:0.8895
##                    Max.   :1.00000   Max.   :1.0000   Max.   :1.0000
##   Butterflies        Carabids         Hoverflies        Isopods
## Min.   :0.3167    Min.   :0.1983    Min.   :0.1416   Min.   :0.1888
## 1st Qu.:0.7380    1st Qu.:0.5965    1st Qu.:0.6223   1st Qu.:0.5371
## Median :0.8412    Median :0.7101    Median :0.7403   Median :0.6792
## Mean   :0.8173    Mean   :0.7044    Mean   :0.7207   Mean   :0.6656
## 3rd Qu.:0.9178    3rd Qu.:0.8141    3rd Qu.:0.8426   3rd Qu.:0.8047
## Max.   :1.0000    Max.   :1.0000    Max.   :1.0000   Max.   :1.0000
##   Ladybirds         Macromoths       Grasshoppers_._Crickets Vascular_plants
## Min.   :0.0614    Min.   :0.08947   Min.   :0.1643          Min.   :0.5580
## 1st Qu.:0.4434    1st Qu.:0.73930   1st Qu.:0.5172          1st Qu.:0.7576
## Median :0.6047    Median :0.82527   Median :0.6651          Median :0.8216
## Mean   :0.5947    Mean   :0.80259   Mean   :0.6589          Mean   :0.8174
## 3rd Qu.:0.7887    3rd Qu.:0.89877   3rd Qu.:0.8005          3rd Qu.:0.8832
## Max.   :1.0000    Max.   :1.00000   Max.   :1.0000          Max.   :1.0000
##    Easting          Northing       dominantLandClass ecologicalStatus
## Min.   : 50000    Min.   :  10000   Length:2640       Min.   :0.3538
## 1st Qu.:260000    1st Qu.: 220000   Class :character  1st Qu.:0.6610
## Median :340000    Median : 390000   Mode  :character  Median :0.7282
## Mean   :352886    Mean   : 452136                     Mean   :0.7217
## 3rd Qu.:440000    3rd Qu.: 670000                     3rd Qu.:0.7935
## Max.   :650000    Max.   :1210000                     Max.   :0.9752
##    period              BD11             BD7              BD4
## Length:2640        Min.   :0.3538   Min.   :0.3263   Min.   :0.4020
## Class :character   1st Qu.:0.6610   1st Qu.:0.6002   1st Qu.:0.7603
## Mode  :character   Median :0.7282   Median :0.6752   Median :0.8164
##                    Mean   :0.7217   Mean   :0.6753   Mean   :0.8029
##                    3rd Qu.:0.7935   3rd Qu.:0.7572   3rd Qu.:0.8683
##                    Max.   :0.9752   Max.   :0.9686   Max.   :0.9979
```

```
new_df=subset(da, period == 'Y00')
summary(new_df)
```

```
##    Location              Bees             Bird           Bryophytes
## Length:2640        Min.   :0.1010   Min.   :0.2415   Min.   :0.4046
## Class :character   1st Qu.:0.4755   1st Qu.:0.8519   1st Qu.:0.6913
## Mode  :character   Median :0.6988   Median :0.9207   Median :0.8038
##                    Mean   :0.7078   Mean   :0.9035   Mean   :0.7893
##                    3rd Qu.:0.8997   3rd Qu.:0.9810   3rd Qu.:0.8827
##                    Max.   :3.3099   Max.   :1.1720   Max.   :1.1746
##   Butterflies        Carabids          Hoverflies         Isopods
## Min.   :0.3209    Min.   :0.01153   Min.   :0.1235    Min.   :0.04622
## 1st Qu.:0.8564    1st Qu.:0.34308   1st Qu.:0.5294    1st Qu.:0.31429
## Median :0.9387    Median :0.52189   Median :0.6492    Median :0.42556
## Mean   :0.9319    Mean   :0.50972   Mean   :0.6383    Mean   :0.43427
## 3rd Qu.:1.0145    3rd Qu.:0.68361   3rd Qu.:0.7560    3rd Qu.:0.54128
## Max.   :1.3944    Max.   :1.19977   Max.   :1.1453    Max.   :1.25773
##    Ladybirds        Macromoths      Grasshoppers_._Crickets Vascular_plants
## Min.   :0.0614    Min.   :0.2490    Min.   :0.0708          Min.   :0.4179
## 1st Qu.:0.4674    1st Qu.:0.8508    1st Qu.:0.4468          1st Qu.:0.6937
## Median :0.6633    Median :0.9156    Median :0.5849          Median :0.7591
## Mean   :0.6334    Mean   :0.8959    Mean   :0.5989          Mean   :0.7563
## 3rd Qu.:0.8052    3rd Qu.:0.9751    3rd Qu.:0.7768          3rd Qu.:0.8168
## Max.   :1.8400    Max.   :1.2604    Max.   :1.5938          Max.   :1.2023
##     Easting           Northing       dominantLandClass  ecologicalStatus
## Min.   : 50000    Min.   :  10000   Length:2640        Min.   :0.3667
## 1st Qu.:260000    1st Qu.: 220000   Class :character   1st Qu.:0.6432
## Median :340000    Median : 390000   Mode  :character   Median :0.7096
## Mean   :352886    Mean   : 452136                      Mean   :0.7090
## 3rd Qu.:440000    3rd Qu.: 670000                      3rd Qu.:0.7849
## Max.   :650000    Max.   :1210000                      Max.   :1.1071
##     period             BD11             BD7              BD4
## Length:2640        Min.   :0.3667   Min.   :0.3085   Min.   :0.3910
## Class :character   1st Qu.:0.6432   1st Qu.:0.5702   1st Qu.:0.7623
## Mode  :character   Median :0.7096   Median :0.6541   Median :0.8090
##                    Mean   :0.7090   Mean   :0.6579   Mean   :0.7985
##                    3rd Qu.:0.7849   3rd Qu.:0.7505   3rd Qu.:0.8592
##                    Max.   :1.1071   Max.   :1.1648   Max.   :1.0307
```

The dataset provided contains information on the species richness of different taxa at various location, during two different periods (Y70 and Y00). This report will focus on the changes in species richness of bees and butterflies between the two periods. Looking at the dataset, it is clear that there are differences in the proportional species richness of bees and butterflies between the two periods. In Y70, the proportional species richness of bees ranges from 0.03065 to 1.00000, while in Y00 it ranges from 0.1010 to 3.3099. Similarly, the proportional species richness of butterflies ranges from 0.3167 to 1.00000 in Y70, while in Y00 it ranges from 0.3209 to 1.3944. These results suggest that there has been a decrease in the proportional species richness of both bees and butterflies between the two periods. This is concerning as both of these taxa are important pollinators and play a vital role in maintaining healthy ecosystems. The decline in their species richness could be attributed to a number of factors, such as habitat loss, pesticide use, and climate change. In conclusion, the data presented in this report indicates that there has been a decrease in the proportional species richness of bees and butterflies in between the periods of Y70 and Y00. This decline is concerning and highlights the need for further research into the causes of this decline and the implementation of conservation measures to protect these important pollinators.

```
ggplot(da, aes(x= Bees,y=period))+
  geom_boxplot()
```
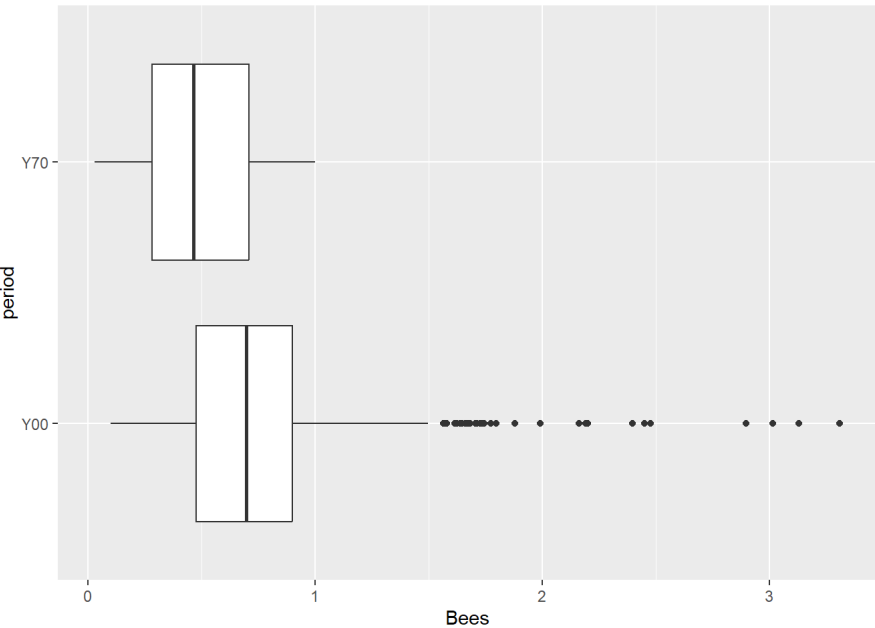


# Additional

To further investigate the change in bird species richness between the two periods, we can perform a paired t-test. The paired t-test results. Let's say we want to compare the mean values of Bees for the two periods, Y00 and Y70.

```
#First, we need to create two subsets of the data for each period
Y00_data <- da[da$period == "Y00",]
Y70_data<- da[da$period == "Y70",]

#Next, we can perform a t-test using the t.test() function
t.test(Y00_data$Bees, Y70_data$Bees, var.equal = TRUE)
```

```
##
##  Two Sample t-test
##
## data:  Y00_data$Bees and Y70_data$Bees
## t = 25.465, df = 5278, p-value < 2.2e-16
## alternative hypothesis: true difference in means is not equal to 0
## 95 percent confidence interval:
##  0.1896400 0.2212737
## sample estimates:
## mean of x mean of y
## 0.7077523 0.5022954
```

From the t-test above, we can see that we have a p-value of 2.2e-16. A p-value less than 2.2e-16 means that the probability of observing such an extreme difference or more between the two groups (pre- and post-management) by chance alone is essentially zero. In other words, the results are highly statistically significant, and we can reject the null hypothesis that there is no difference between the two periods. Therefore, we can conclude that the difference in the mean proportional species richness between the two periods is likely due to the management intervention.

# Conclusion

In conclusion, this report analyses the proportional species richness and evaluates the relationships between the seven taxonomical variables such as Bees,Bryophytes,Butterflies,Carabids,Isopods,Ladybirds and Grasshopper._.Crickets with respect to the other groups present during two different periods. The methods used in the analysis are descriptive statistics, histogram, correlation, simple and multiple linear regression along with AIC model.

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