8. Worksheet: Among Site (Beta) Diversity – Part 2

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OVERVIEW

In this worksheet, we continue to explore concepts, statistics, and visualizations related to β-diversity. Now that you know how to formally quantify β-diversity, we will learn how to test hypotheses about β-diversity using multivariate statistics.

Directions:

1. In the Markdown version of this document in your cloned repo, change "Student Name" on line 3 (above) with your name.
2. Complete as much of the worksheet as possible during class.
3. Use the handout as a guide; it contains a more complete description of data sets along with examples of proper scripting needed to carry out the exercises.
4. Answer questions in the worksheet. Space for your answers is provided in this document and is indicated by the ">" character. If you need a second paragraph be sure to start the first line with ">". You should notice that the answer is highlighted in green by RStudio (color may vary if you changed the editor theme).
5. Before you leave the classroom today, it is *imperative* that you **push** this file to your GitHub repo, at whatever stage you are. This will enable you to pull your work onto your own computer.
6. When you have completed the worksheet, **Knit** the text and code into a single PDF file by pressing the `Knit` button in the RStudio scripting panel. This will save the PDF output in your '8.BetaDiversity' folder.
7. After Knitting, please submit the worksheet by making a **push** to your GitHub repo and then create a **pull request** via GitHub. Your pull request should include this file (**8.BetaDiversity_2_Worksheet.Rmd**) with all code blocks filled out and questions answered) and the PDF output of `Knitr` (**8.BetaDiversity_2_Worksheet.pdf**).

The completed exercise is due on **Wednesday, February 8th, 2023 before 12:00 PM (noon)**.

1) R SETUP

Typically, the first thing you will do in either an R script or an RMarkdown file is setup your environment. This includes things such as setting the working directory and loading any packages that you will need.

In the R code chunk below, provide the code to:

1. clear your R environment,
2. print your current working directory,
3. set your working directory to your "*/6.BetaDiversity*" folder, and

4. load the **vegan** R package (be sure to install if needed).

```
package.list <- c('vegan', 'ade4', 'viridis', 'gplots', 'BiodiversityR', 'indicspecies')
for (package in package.list) {
  if (!require(package, character.only = TRUE, quietly = TRUE)) {
    install.packages(package)
    library(package, character.only = TRUE)
  }
}
```

```
## This is vegan 2.6-4
```

```
##
## Attaching package: 'gplots'
```

```
## The following object is masked from 'package:stats':
##
##     lowess
```

```
## BiodiversityR 2.15-1: Use command BiodiversityRGUI() to launch the Graphical User Interface;
## to see changes use BiodiversityRGUI(changeLog=TRUE, backward.compatibility.messages=TRUE)
```

2) LOADING DATA

Load dataset

In the R code chunk below, load the **doubs** dataset from the **ade4** package

```
# note, pleae do not print the dataset when submitting
data(doubs)
fish <- doubs$fish
fish <- fish[-8, ]
environment <- doubs$env
species <- doubs$species
location <- doubs$xy
```

3) HYPOTHESIS TESTING

A. Multivariate Procedures for Categorical Designs

Earlier work done in the Doubs River suggested that the river has four distinct regions of habitat quality: the first region (sites 1-14) of "high quality"; the second (sites 15 - 19) and fourth (sites 26 - 30) of "moderate quality"; and the third (sites 20 - 25) of "low quality".

In the code chunk below, test the hypothesis that fish community composition varies with river quality.

1. create a factor vector that categorizes habitat quality in the Doubs River,
2. use the multivariate analyses for categorical predictors to describe how fish community structure relates to habitat quality.

```r
#create "Factors" vector
quality <- c(rep("HQ", 13), rep("MQ", 5), rep("LQ", 6), rep("MQ", 5))
#run PERMANOVA with adonis function
adonis2(fish ~ quality, method = "bray", permutations = 999)
```

```
## Permutation test for adonis under reduced model
## Terms added sequentially (first to last)
## Permutation: free
## Number of permutations: 999
##
## adonis2(formula = fish ~ quality, permutations = 999, method = "bray")
##          Df SumOfSqs      R2     F Pr(>F)
## quality   2   3.0947 0.45765 10.97  0.001 ***
## Residual 26   3.6674 0.54235
## Total    28   6.7621 1.00000
## ---
## Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
```

```r
#species-site group associations
indval <- multipatt(fish, cluster = quality, func = "IndVal.g", control = how(nperm = 999))
summary(indval)
```

```
##
##  Multilevel pattern analysis
##  ---------------------------
##
##  Association function: IndVal.g
##  Significance level (alpha): 0.05
##
##  Total number of species: 27
##  Selected number of species: 23
##  Number of species associated to 1 group: 1
##  Number of species associated to 2 groups: 22
##
##  List of species associated to each combination:
##
##  Group MQ  #sps.  1
##       stat p.value
## Teso 0.686   0.025 *
##
##  Group HQ+MQ  #sps.  2
##       stat p.value
## Satr 0.860   0.002 **
## Phph 0.859   0.014 *
##
##  Group LQ+MQ  #sps.  20
##       stat p.value
## Alal 0.935   0.001 ***
## Gogo 0.933   0.001 ***
## Ruru 0.916   0.001 ***
## Legi 0.901   0.001 ***
## Baba 0.895   0.001 ***
## Chna 0.866   0.002 **
```

```
## Spbi 0.866   0.001 ***
## Cyca 0.866   0.001 ***
## Acce 0.866   0.001 ***
## Lele 0.863   0.002 **
## Titi 0.853   0.007 **
## Chto 0.829   0.002 **
## Rham 0.829   0.002 **
## Anan 0.829   0.002 **
## Eslu 0.827   0.027 *
## Pefl 0.806   0.021 *
## Blbj 0.791   0.003 **
## Scer 0.766   0.002 **
## Abbr 0.750   0.006 **
## Icme 0.661   0.025 *
## ---
## Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
```

```r
#phi coefficient analysis
fish.rel <- decostand(fish, method = "total")
phi <- multipatt(fish.rel, cluster = quality, func = "r.g", control = how(nperm = 999))
summary(phi)
```

```
##
##  Multilevel pattern analysis
##  ---------------------------
##
##  Association function: r.g
##  Significance level (alpha): 0.05
##
##  Total number of species: 27
##  Selected number of species: 18
##  Number of species associated to 1 group: 9
##  Number of species associated to 2 groups: 9
##
##  List of species associated to each combination:
##
##  Group HQ  #sps.  3
##       stat p.value
## Phph 0.802   0.001 ***
## Neba 0.734   0.001 ***
## Satr 0.650   0.002 **
##
##  Group LQ  #sps.  2
##       stat p.value
## Alal 0.693   0.001 ***
## Ruru 0.473   0.024 *
##
##  Group MQ  #sps.  4
##       stat p.value
## Anan 0.571   0.010 **
## Spbi 0.557   0.012 *
## Chto 0.542   0.008 **
## Icme 0.475   0.036 *
##
```

```
##  Group LQ+MQ  #sps.  9
##       stat p.value
## Legi 0.658   0.002 **
## Baba 0.645   0.001 ***
## Rham 0.600   0.005 **
## Acce 0.594   0.003 **
## Cyca 0.586   0.005 **
## Chna 0.571   0.007 **
## Blbj 0.571   0.006 **
## Gogo 0.523   0.017 *
## Abbr 0.499   0.024 *
## ---
## Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
```

Question 1: Based on the PERMANOVA, IndVal, and phi coefficient analyses, what did you learn about the relationship between habitat quality and the fish species composition? Are the different analyses consistent with one another and do they agree with the visualizations (heat maps, cluster dendograms, ordinations) that you created?

> ***Answer 1***: IndVal analysis as well as Phi coefficient analysis showed that the most species were correlated with the LQ & MQ groups. There were more species associated with group overlap versus individual groups. Later, in the variation partitioning visualization, this is shown as well.

B. Multivariate Procedures for Continuous Designs

i. Mantel Test

In the R code chunk below, do the following:

1. create distance matrices for both fish communities and environmental factors, and
2. use a Mantel test to test the hypothesis that fish assemblages are correlated with stream environmental variables.

```
#define matrices
fish.dist <- vegdist(doubs$fish[-8, ], method = "bray")
env.dist <- vegdist(scale(doubs$env[-8, ]), method = "euclid")

#mantel test
mantel(fish.dist, env.dist)
```

```
##
## Mantel statistic based on Pearson's product-moment correlation
##
## Call:
## mantel(xdis = fish.dist, ydis = env.dist)
##
## Mantel statistic r: 0.604
##       Significance: 0.001
##
## Upper quantiles of permutations (null model):
##   90%   95% 97.5%   99%
## 0.101 0.129 0.156 0.188
## Permutation: free
## Number of permutations: 999
```

Question 2: What do the results from our Mantel test suggest about fish diversity and stream environmental conditions? How does this relate to your hypothesis about stream quality influencing fish communities?

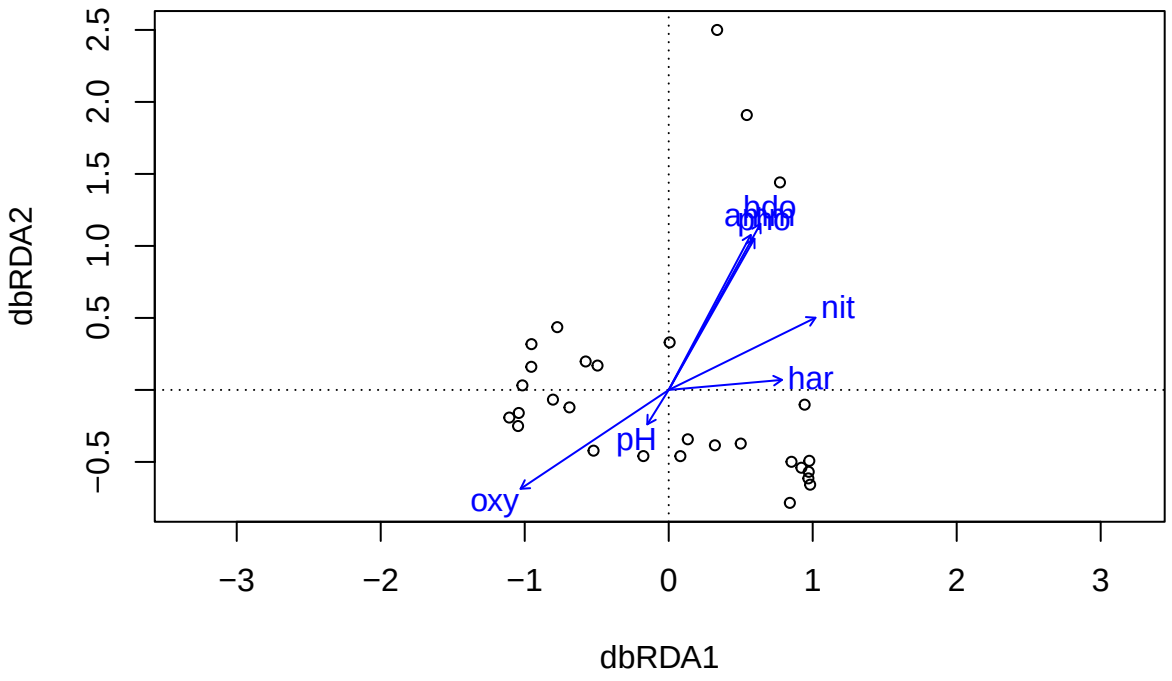
> ***Answer 2***: The Mantel R value was 0.604 which falls closer to +1 than to 0. Due to its closeness to 1, we can assume a strong positive correlation between the two matrices. This means that as one matrix increases, so does the other. So, as the quality of the stream increases, so does the diversity of the fish community. This adds support to our hypothesis, which was stated in the sentence prior.

ii. Constrained Ordination

In the R code chunk below, do the following:

1. create an environmental matrix of the water chemistry data included in the `doubs` dataset using forward and reverse selection of variables,
2. conduct a redundancy analysis on the fish assemblages of the Doubs River,
3. use a permutation test to determine the significance of the constrained analysis,
4. use a permutation test to determine the correlation of each environmental factor on the constrained axes,
5. calculate the explained variation on the first and second constrained axes,
6. plot the constrained ordination results including labeled points for each site, and
7. add vectors that demonstrate the influence of each environmental factor the constrained ordination.

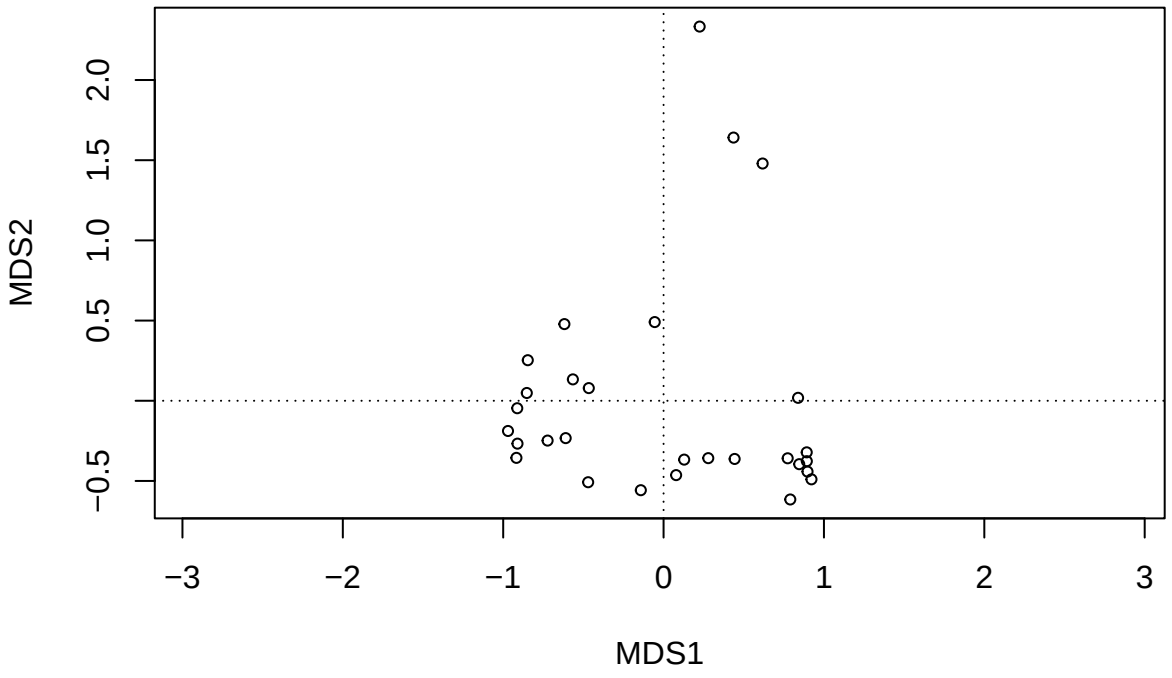
```
#define environmental matrix
env.chem <- as.matrix(doubs$env[-8, 5:11])

#perform dbRDA
doubs.dbrda <- dbrda(fish.dist ~ ., as.data.frame(env.chem))
ordiplot(doubs.dbrda)
```



```r
#check for pairwise correlations
psych::corr.test(env.chem)
```

```
## Call:psych::corr.test(x = env.chem)
## Correlation matrix
##        pH   har   pho   nit   amm   oxy   bdo
## pH   1.00  0.08 -0.08 -0.04 -0.12  0.19 -0.16
## har  0.08  1.00  0.37  0.53  0.30 -0.37  0.34
## pho -0.08  0.37  1.00  0.80  0.97 -0.76  0.91
## nit -0.04  0.53  0.80  1.00  0.80 -0.69  0.68
## amm -0.12  0.30  0.97  0.80  1.00 -0.75  0.90
## oxy  0.19 -0.37 -0.76 -0.69 -0.75  1.00 -0.84
## bdo -0.16  0.34  0.91  0.68  0.90 -0.84  1.00
## Sample Size
## [1] 29
## Probability values (Entries above the diagonal are adjusted for multiple tests.)
##       pH  har  pho  nit  amm  oxy  bdo
## pH  0.00 1.00 1.00 1.00 1.00 1.00 1.00
## har 0.66 0.00 0.46 0.03 0.83 0.46 0.59
## pho 0.68 0.05 0.00 0.00 0.00 0.00 0.00
## nit 0.83 0.00 0.00 0.00 0.00 0.00 0.00
## amm 0.53 0.12 0.00 0.00 0.00 0.00 0.00
## oxy 0.32 0.05 0.00 0.00 0.00 0.00 0.00
## bdo 0.40 0.07 0.00 0.00 0.00 0.00 0.00
##
##  To see confidence intervals of the correlations, print with the short=FALSE option
```

```r
#model the intercept
doubs.dbrda.mod0 <- dbrda(fish.dist ~ 1, as.data.frame(env.chem))
ordiplot(doubs.dbrda.mod0)
```



```r
#full model with all explanatory variables
doubs.dbrda.mod1 <- dbrda(fish.dist ~ ., as.data.frame(env.chem))
#function to return the model with the lowest AIC value
doubs.dbrda <- ordiR2step(doubs.dbrda.mod0, doubs.dbrda.mod1, perm.max = 200)
```

```
## Step: R2.adj= 0
## Call: fish.dist ~ 1
##
##                 R2.adjusted
## <All variables>  0.53032584
## + oxy            0.27727176
## + nit            0.25755208
## + bdo            0.17477787
## + pho            0.14568614
## + har            0.14174915
## + amm            0.14142804
## <none>           0.00000000
## + pH            -0.01827054
##
##       Df    AIC      F Pr(>F)
## + oxy  1 47.939 11.742  0.002 **
## ---
## Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
##
## Step: R2.adj= 0.2772718
## Call: fish.dist ~ oxy
##
##                 R2.adjusted
## <All variables>   0.5303258
## + bdo             0.4009000
## + amm             0.3474192
## + pho             0.3452702
## + har             0.3331357
## + nit             0.3316120
## <none>            0.2772718
## + pH              0.2586983
##
##       Df    AIC      F Pr(>F)
## + bdo  1 43.404 6.5716  0.002 **
## ---
## Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
##
## Step: R2.adj= 0.4009
## Call: fish.dist ~ oxy + bdo
##
##                 R2.adjusted
## <All variables>   0.5303258
## + nit             0.4980793
## + har             0.4695121
## <none>            0.4009000
## + pho             0.3938042
## + amm             0.3869134
## + pH              0.3865240
```

```
##
##       Df    AIC     F Pr(>F)
## + nit  1 39.134 6.034  0.002 **
## ---
## Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
##
## Step: R2.adj= 0.4980793
## Call: fish.dist ~ oxy + bdo + nit
##
##                 R2.adjusted
## + amm             0.5415705
## <All variables>   0.5303258
## + pho             0.5277128
## + har             0.5218852
## <none>            0.4980793
## + pH              0.4843267
```

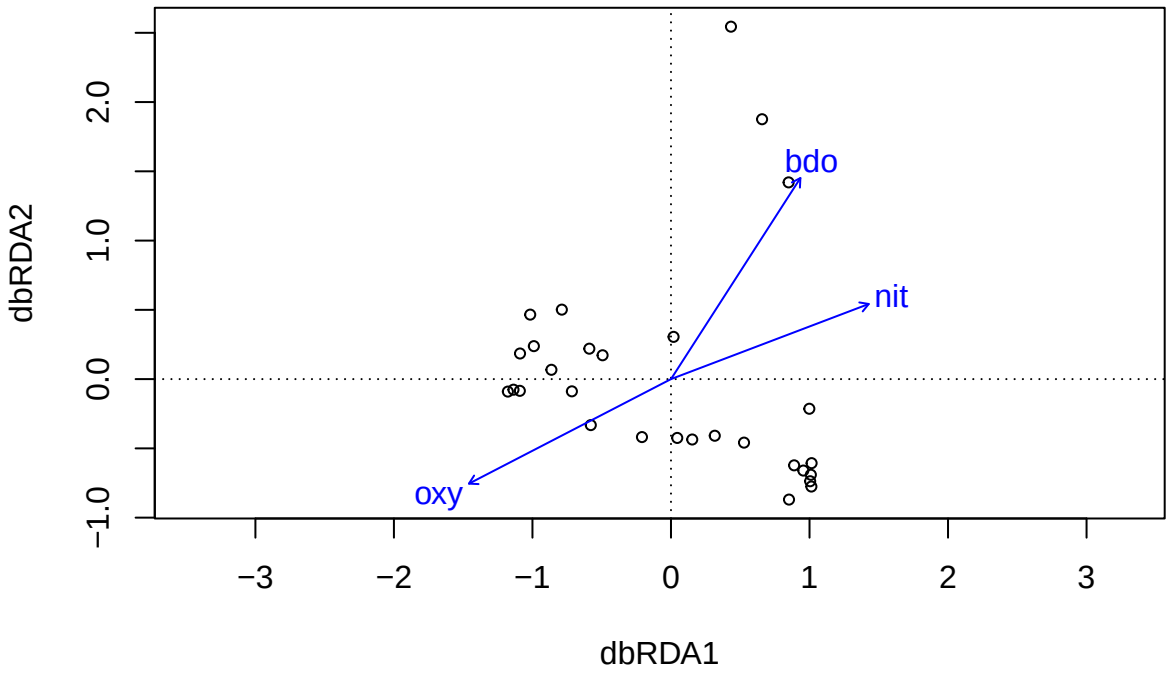
```
#visualize model
doubs.dbrda$call
```

```
## dbrda(formula = fish.dist ~ oxy + bdo + nit, data = as.data.frame(env.chem))
```

```
doubs.dbrda$anova
```

```
##                  R2.adj Df    AIC       F Pr(>F)
## + oxy           0.27727  1 47.939 11.7421  0.002 **
## + bdo           0.40090  1 43.404  6.5716  0.002 **
## + nit           0.49808  1 39.134  6.0340  0.002 **
## <All variables> 0.53033
## ---
## Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
```

```
ordiplot(doubs.dbrda)
```



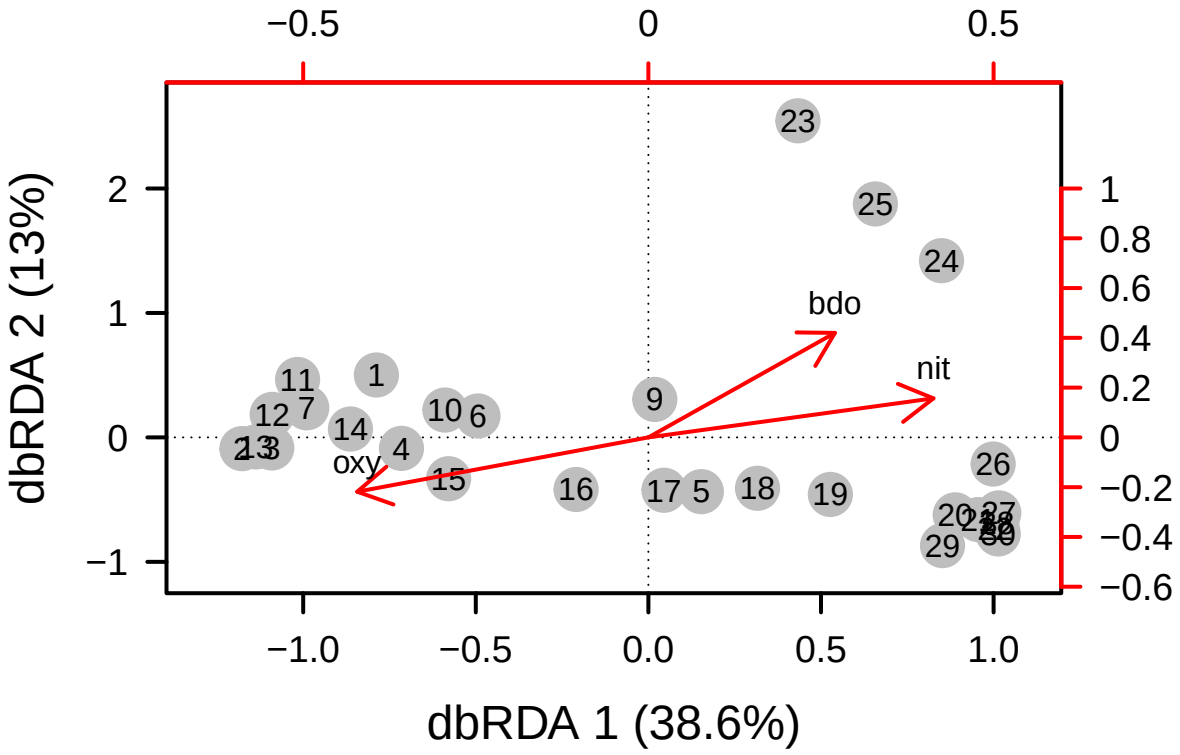

```
#permutation tests to evaluate significance
permutest(doubs.dbrda, permutations = 999)
```

```
##
## Permutation test for dbrda under reduced model
##
## Permutation: free
## Number of permutations: 999
##
## Model: dbrda(formula = fish.dist ~ oxy + bdo + nit, data =
## as.data.frame(env.chem))
## Permutation test for all constrained eigenvalues
##          Df Inertia      F Pr(>F)
## Model     3  3.7317 10.262  0.001 ***
## Residual 25  3.0304
## ---
## Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
```

```
envfit(doubs.dbrda, env.chem[,c(4,6,7)], perm = 999)
```

```
##
## ***VECTORS
##
##       dbRDA1   dbRDA2     r2 Pr(>r)
## nit  0.87724  0.48005 0.6431  0.001 ***
## oxy -0.82864 -0.55979 0.7656  0.001 ***
## bdo  0.55603  0.83116 0.8939  0.001 ***
## ---
## Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
## Permutation: free
## Number of permutations: 999
```

```r
#calculate explained variation
dbrda.explainvar1 <- round(doubs.dbrda$CCA$eig[1] / sum(c(doubs.dbrda$CCA$eig, doubs.dbrda$CA$eig)), 3)
dbrda.explainvar2 <- round(doubs.dbrda$CCA$eig[2] / sum(c(doubs.dbrda$CCA$eig, doubs.dbrda$CA$eig)), 3)

#plot ordination for the selected model
#define plot parameters
par(mar = c(5,5,4,4) + 0.1)
#initiate plot
plot(scores(doubs.dbrda, display = "wa"), xlim = c(-1.3, 1.1), ylim = c(-1.1, 2.7), xlab = paste("dbRDA
#add axes
axis(side = 1, labels = T, lwd.ticks = 2, cex.axis = 1.2, las = 1)
axis(side = 2, labels = T, lwd.ticks = 2, cex.axis = 1.2, las = 1)
abline(h = 0, v = 0, lty = 3)
box(lwd = 2)
#add points and labels
points(scores(doubs.dbrda, display = "wa"), pch = 19, cex = 3, bg = "gray", col = "gray")
text(scores(doubs.dbrda, display = "wa"), labels = row.names(scores(doubs.dbrda, display = "wa")))
#add environmental vectors
vectors <- scores(doubs.dbrda, display = "bp")
#row.names(vectors) <- rownames(vectors)
arrows(0, 0, vectors[,1], vectors[,2], lwd = 2, lty = 1, length = 0.2, col = "red")
text(vectors[,1], vectors[,2], pos = 3, labels = row.names(vectors))
axis(side = 3, lwd.ticks = 2, cex.axis = 1.2, las = 1, col = "red", lwd = 2.2, at = pretty(range(vectors
axis(side = 4, lwd.ticks = 2, cex.axis = 1.2, las = 1, col = "red", lwd = 2.2, at = pretty(range(vectors
```



Question 3: Based on the constrained ordination, what are the environmental variables (or groups of correlated variables) that seem to be contributing to variation in fish community structure?

> ***Answer 3***: The environmental variables that seem to be contributing to the variation are oxy, bdo, and nit.

iii. Variation Partitioning

In the code chunk below,

1. Create a matrix model of the selected environmental variables,
2. Create a matrix model of the selected PCNM axes,
3. Perform constrained and partial constrained ordinations using the spatial and environmental models you just created,
4. Test the significance of each of your constrained ordinations using permutation tests,
5. Partition the variation among sites into the relative importance of space, environment, spatially structured environment, and residuals,
6. Plot the variation partitioning output to visualize it.

```
doubs.dbrda$anova
```

```
##                  R2.adj Df    AIC       F Pr(>F)
## + oxy           0.27727  1 47.939 11.7421  0.002 **
## + bdo           0.40090  1 43.404  6.5716  0.002 **
## + nit           0.49808  1 39.134  6.0340  0.002 **
## <All variables> 0.53033
## ---
## Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
```

```
#matrix model for environmental data
env.mod <- model.matrix(~ oxy + bdo + nit, as.data.frame(env.chem)) [,-1]
```

```
#create the spatial model
#weight each site by its relative abundance
rs <- rowSums(fish)/sum(fish)
#perform PCNM
doubs.pcnmw <- pcnm(dist(doubs$xy[-8,]), w = rs, dist.ret = T)
#generate function to show only positive eigenvalues
doubs.pcnmw$values > 0
```

```
##  [1]  TRUE  TRUE  TRUE  TRUE  TRUE  TRUE  TRUE  TRUE  TRUE  TRUE  TRUE  TRUE
## [13]  TRUE  TRUE  TRUE  TRUE  TRUE FALSE FALSE FALSE FALSE FALSE FALSE FALSE
## [25] FALSE FALSE
```

```
#perform model selection to determine which eigenvalues create the most informative model with the fewe
doubs.space <- as.data.frame(scores(doubs.pcnmw))
doubs.pcnm.mod0 <- dbrda(fish.dist ~ 1, doubs.space)
doubs.pcnm.mod1 <- dbrda(fish.dist ~ ., doubs.space)
step.pcnm <- ordiR2step(doubs.pcnm.mod0, doubs.pcnm.mod1, perm.max = 200)
```

```
## Step: R2.adj= 0
## Call: fish.dist ~ 1
##
##                  R2.adjusted
## <All variables>  0.626011301
## + PCNM2          0.235370423
## + PCNM3          0.078394885
```

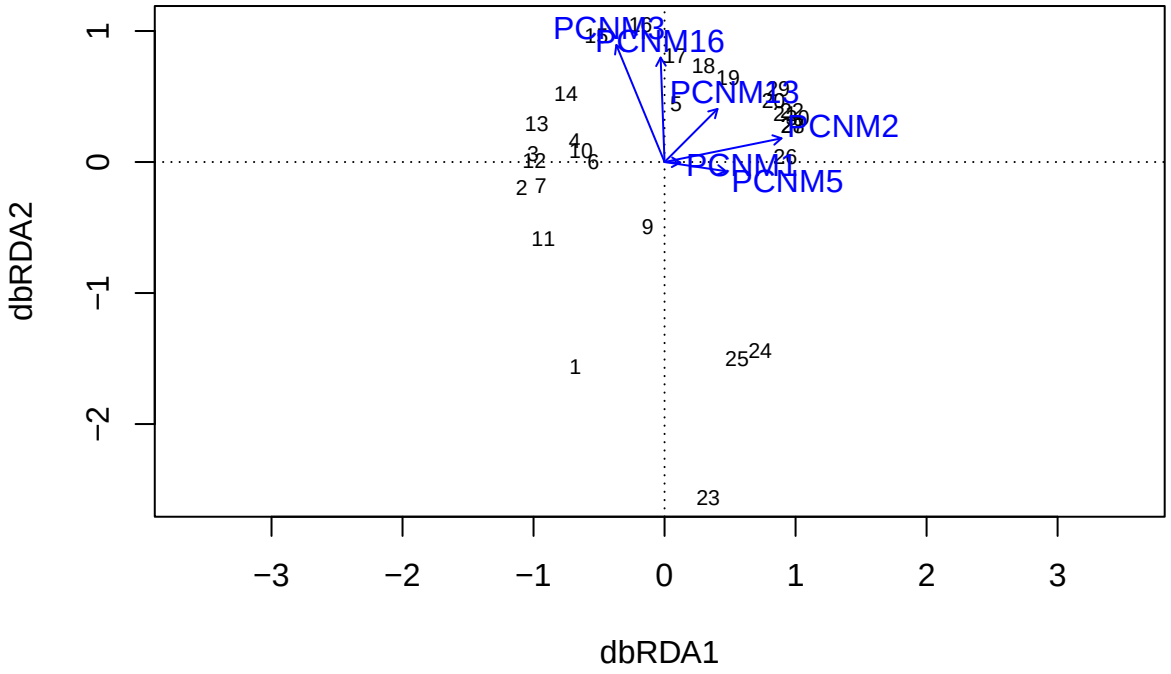
```
## + PCNM13         0.065305668
## + PCNM5          0.046185074
## + PCNM6          0.032809156
## + PCNM16         0.030486700
## + PCNM14         0.029680999
## + PCNM9          0.020357410
## + PCNM15         0.013632610
## + PCNM8          0.009411968
## + PCNM1          0.003986221
## + PCNM17         0.002415012
## + PCNM10         0.001326442
## <none>           0.000000000
## + PCNM7         -0.001861430
## + PCNM11        -0.006841522
## + PCNM4         -0.007089863
## + PCNM12        -0.014396973
##
##         Df    AIC     F Pr(>F)
## + PCNM2  1 49.574 9.619  0.002 **
## ---
## Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
##
## Step: R2.adj= 0.2353704
## Call: fish.dist ~ PCNM2
##
##                 R2.adjusted
## <All variables>   0.6260113
## + PCNM3           0.3429270
## + PCNM5           0.3057368
## + PCNM1           0.2885396
## + PCNM16          0.2786746
## + PCNM14          0.2744520
## + PCNM15          0.2692809
## + PCNM6           0.2659866
## + PCNM13          0.2636194
## + PCNM9           0.2517847
## + PCNM8           0.2496240
## + PCNM10          0.2434688
## + PCNM7           0.2431476
## + PCNM17          0.2404343
## + PCNM11          0.2366833
## <none>            0.2353704
## + PCNM12          0.2288789
## + PCNM4           0.2189522
##
##         Df    AIC      F Pr(>F)
## + PCNM3  1 46.083 5.4196  0.002 **
## ---
## Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
##
## Step: R2.adj= 0.342927
## Call: fish.dist ~ PCNM2 + PCNM3
##
##                 R2.adjusted
```

```
## <All variables>   0.6260113
## + PCNM5           0.4076020
## + PCNM1           0.3970300
## + PCNM16          0.3853210
## + PCNM15          0.3828748
## + PCNM14          0.3781827
## + PCNM13          0.3770376
## + PCNM6           0.3595644
## + PCNM8           0.3556885
## + PCNM7           0.3541631
## + PCNM10          0.3526775
## + PCNM17          0.3513683
## + PCNM9           0.3433672
## <none>            0.3429270
## + PCNM11          0.3416399
## + PCNM12          0.3396547
## + PCNM4           0.3311509
##
##         Df    AIC      F Pr(>F)
## + PCNM5  1 43.941 3.8385  0.012 *
## ---
## Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
##
## Step: R2.adj= 0.407602
## Call: fish.dist ~ PCNM2 + PCNM3 + PCNM5
##
##                 R2.adjusted
## <All variables>   0.6260113
## + PCNM1           0.4721469
## + PCNM16          0.4631976
## + PCNM15          0.4589111
## + PCNM14          0.4535248
## + PCNM13          0.4511582
## + PCNM6           0.4305640
## + PCNM7           0.4261965
## + PCNM8           0.4224505
## + PCNM17          0.4181666
## + PCNM10          0.4154485
## + PCNM11          0.4112178
## + PCNM9           0.4111995
## + PCNM12          0.4087602
## <none>            0.4076020
## + PCNM4           0.3976526
##
##         Df    AIC     F Pr(>F)
## + PCNM1  1 41.411 4.057  0.012 *
## ---
## Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
##
## Step: R2.adj= 0.4721469
## Call: fish.dist ~ PCNM2 + PCNM3 + PCNM5 + PCNM1
##
##                 R2.adjusted
## <All variables>   0.6260113
```

```
## + PCNM13          0.5212427
## + PCNM16          0.5208668
## + PCNM15          0.5161770
## + PCNM14          0.5147355
## + PCNM6           0.4999020
## + PCNM7           0.4936559
## + PCNM8           0.4904113
## + PCNM17          0.4856884
## + PCNM10          0.4835952
## + PCNM11          0.4760087
## + PCNM9           0.4751424
## + PCNM12          0.4747221
## <none>            0.4721469
## + PCNM4           0.4651218
##
##          Df    AIC      F Pr(>F)
## + PCNM13  1 39.346 3.4612   0.01 **
## ---
## Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
##
## Step: R2.adj= 0.5212427
## Call: fish.dist ~ PCNM2 + PCNM3 + PCNM5 + PCNM1 + PCNM13
##
##                 R2.adjusted
## <All variables>   0.6260113
## + PCNM16          0.5767968
## + PCNM15          0.5715331
## + PCNM14          0.5698343
## + PCNM6           0.5475140
## + PCNM7           0.5392074
## + PCNM8           0.5379134
## + PCNM11          0.5281106
## + PCNM9           0.5267003
## + PCNM10          0.5265029
## + PCNM12          0.5255581
## <none>            0.5212427
## + PCNM17          0.5171800
## + PCNM4           0.5152311
##
##          Df   AIC      F Pr(>F)
## + PCNM16  1 36.48 4.0192  0.022 *
## ---
## Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
##
## Step: R2.adj= 0.5767968
## Call: fish.dist ~ PCNM2 + PCNM3 + PCNM5 + PCNM1 + PCNM13 + PCNM16
##
##                 R2.adjusted
## <All variables>   0.6260113
## + PCNM6           0.6043089
## + PCNM8           0.5970286
## + PCNM12          0.5946888
## + PCNM7           0.5946475
## + PCNM9           0.5883735
```

```
## + PCNM10          0.5851333
## + PCNM15          0.5846468
## <none>            0.5767968
## + PCNM17          0.5748533
## + PCNM4           0.5733749
## + PCNM11          0.5711176
## + PCNM14          0.5652509
##
##         Df    AIC      F Pr(>F)
## + PCNM6  1 35.182 2.5296  0.054 .
## ---
## Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
```

```
#visualize the bi-plot, show how each vector explains variation across sites
plot(step.pcnm)
```




```
#object 'step.pcnm' now contains the selected model
step.pcnm$anova
```

```
##                   R2.adj Df    AIC      F Pr(>F)
## + PCNM2          0.23537  1 49.574 9.6190  0.002 **
## + PCNM3          0.34293  1 46.083 5.4196  0.002 **
## + PCNM5          0.40760  1 43.941 3.8385  0.012 *
## + PCNM1          0.47215  1 41.411 4.0570  0.012 *
## + PCNM13         0.52124  1 39.346 3.4612  0.010 **
## + PCNM16         0.57680  1 36.480 4.0192  0.022 *
## <All variables> 0.62601
## ---
## Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
```

```r
#construct a spatial model using only the selected PCNM axes
space.mod <- model.matrix(~ PCNM2 + PCNM3 + PCNM5 + PCNM1 + PCNM13 + PCNM16 + PCNM6, doubs.space)[,-1]
```

```r
#perform a partial constrained ordination
#conduct constrained ordinations
doubs.total.env <- dbrda(fish.dist ~ env.mod)
doubs.total.space <- dbrda(fish.dist ~ space.mod)
#construct partial constrained ordinations
doubs.env.cond.space <- dbrda(fish.dist ~ env.mod + Condition(space.mod))
doubs.space.cond.env <- dbrda(fish.dist ~ space.mod + Condition(env.mod))
#test for significance of the dbrda fractions
permutest(doubs.env.cond.space, permutations = 999)
```

```
##
## Permutation test for dbrda under reduced model
##
## Permutation: free
## Number of permutations: 999
##
## Model: dbrda(formula = fish.dist ~ env.mod + Condition(space.mod))
## Permutation test for all constrained eigenvalues
##          Df Inertia     F Pr(>F)
## Model     3 0.85158 4.423  0.001 ***
## Residual 18 1.15519
## ---
## Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
```

```r
permutest(doubs.space.cond.env, permutations = 999)
```

```
##
## Permutation test for dbrda under reduced model
##
## Permutation: free
## Number of permutations: 999
##
## Model: dbrda(formula = fish.dist ~ space.mod + Condition(env.mod))
## Permutation test for all constrained eigenvalues
##          Df Inertia      F Pr(>F)
## Model     7  1.8752 4.1741  0.001 ***
## Residual 18  1.1552
## ---
## Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
```

```r
permutest(doubs.total.env, permutations = 999)
```

```
##
## Permutation test for dbrda under reduced model
##
## Permutation: free
## Number of permutations: 999
##
```

```
## Model: dbrda(formula = fish.dist ~ env.mod)
## Permutation test for all constrained eigenvalues
##          Df Inertia      F Pr(>F)
## Model     3  3.7317 10.262  0.001 ***
## Residual 25  3.0304
## ---
## Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
```

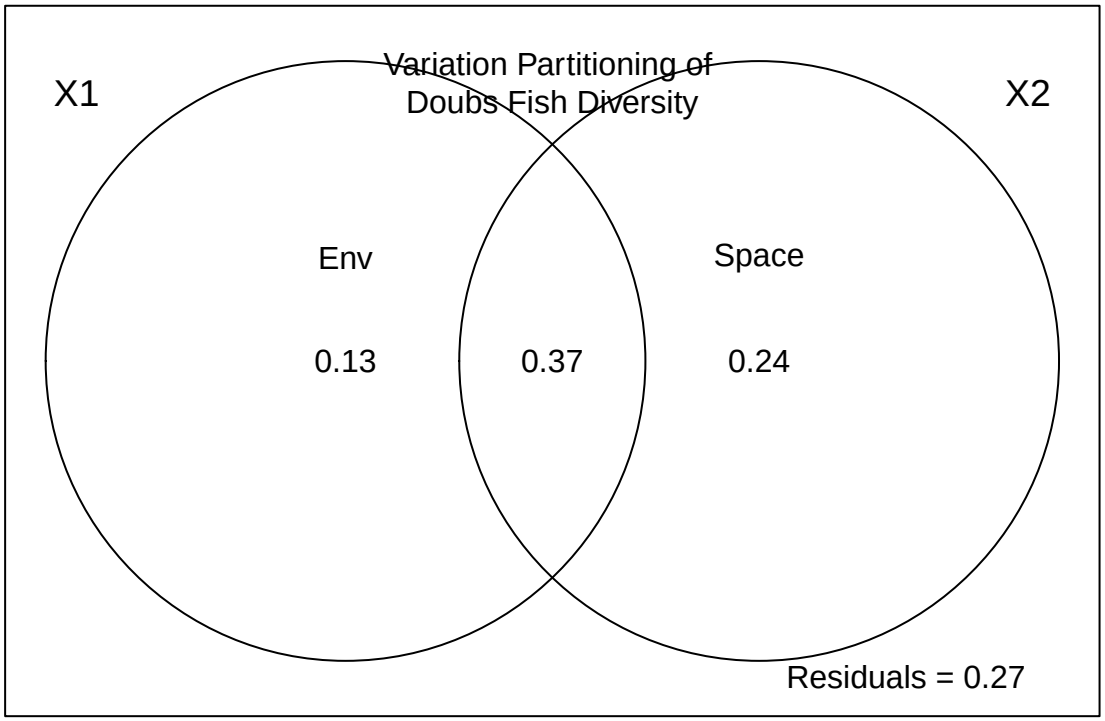
```
permutest(doubs.total.space, permutations = 999)
```

```
##
## Permutation test for dbrda under reduced model
##
## Permutation: free
## Number of permutations: 999
##
## Model: dbrda(formula = fish.dist ~ space.mod)
## Permutation test for all constrained eigenvalues
##          Df Inertia      F Pr(>F)
## Model     7  4.7553 7.1089  0.001 ***
## Residual 21  2.0068
## ---
## Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
```

```
#calculate the fractions of variation explained by the different parts
doubs.varpart <- varpart(fish.dist, env.mod, space.mod)
doubs.varpart
```

```
##
## Partition of squared Bray distance in dbRDA
##
## Call: varpart(Y = fish.dist, X = env.mod, space.mod)
##
## Explanatory tables:
## X1:  env.mod
## X2:  space.mod
##
## No. of explanatory tables: 2
## Total variation (SS): 6.7621
## No. of observations: 29
##
## Partition table:
##                       Df R.squared Adj.R.squared Testable
## [a+c] = X1             3   0.55186       0.49808     TRUE
## [b+c] = X2             7   0.70323       0.60431     TRUE
## [a+b+c] = X1+X2       10   0.82917       0.73426     TRUE
## Individual fractions
## [a] = X1|X2            3                 0.12995     TRUE
## [b] = X2|X1            7                 0.23618     TRUE
## [c]                    0                 0.36813    FALSE
## [d] = Residuals                          0.26574    FALSE
## ---
## Use function 'dbrda' to test significance of fractions of interest
```

```r
#plot the variation
par(mar = c(2,2,2,2))
plot(doubs.varpart)
text(1, 0.25, "Space")
text(0, 0.25, "Env")
mtext("Variation Partitioning of \nDoubs Fish Diversity", side = 3, line = -3)
```



Question 4: Interpret the variation partitioning results.

> ***Answer 4***: From the variation partitioning graph, we can see that 13% of the variation is explained by the Env variable, 24% is explained by the Space variable, and 37% of the variation is explained by the two of those variables combined. The residual values tells us that 27% of the variance is not explained by the variables shown.

SYNTHESIS

Load the dataset from that you and your partner are using for the team project. Use one of the hypothesis-testing tools introduced in the beta diversity module. Interpret the findings of your data with respect to principles of biodiversity. > #information will be uploaded to the other folder in a separate R file