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## Canonical correspondence analysis and weighted averaging

## Types of ordinations:

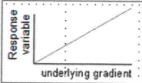
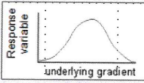
We talked about two types of ordinations and about two types of response models:

What is the main difference between the two ordination types?

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# Ordination types:

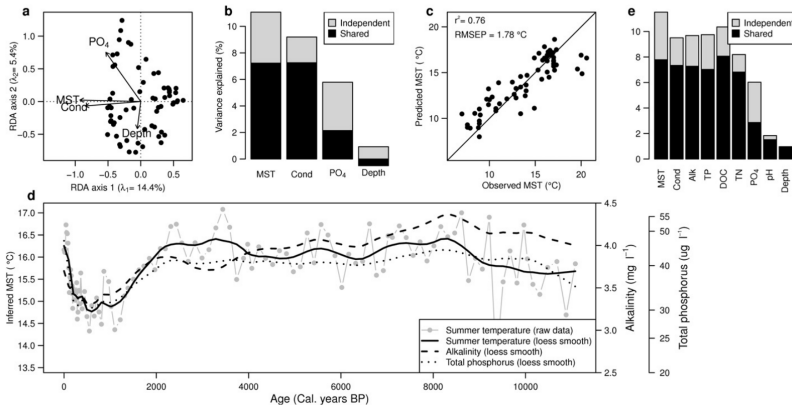
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# Application of ordinations and reconstructions

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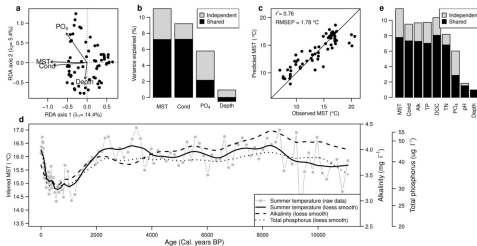


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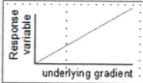
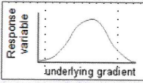
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- Constrained ordination
- Independent and shared variance
- Transfer function
- Reconstructions
- Variable selection

# Ordination types:

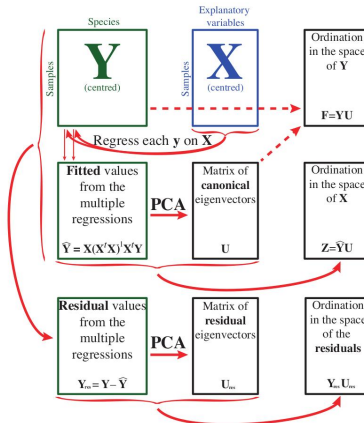
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# Canonical correspondence analysis

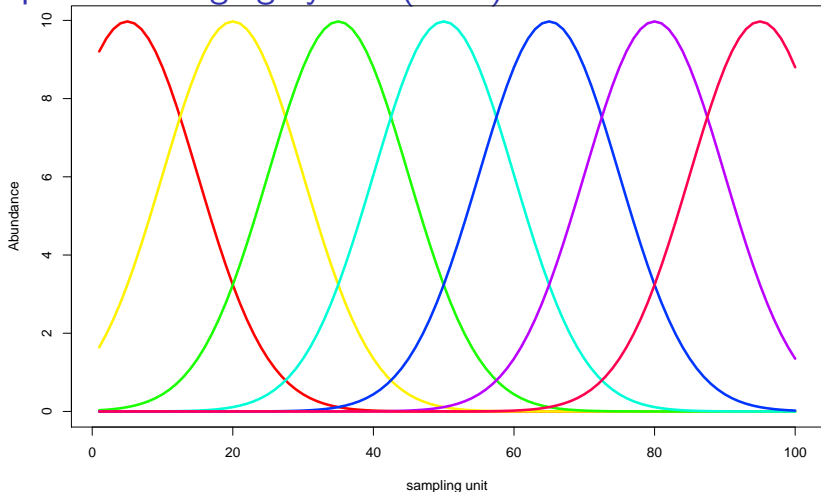
Same principle as redundancy analysis:

- ▶ **regression:** weighted regression
- ▶ **ordination:** correspondence analysis





## Reciprocal averaging by Hill (1973):



*The method of gradient analysis is to take some well-marked gradient and to assign scores to the species according to their [...] preferences. Sites are then ordinated by taking averages of the scores of the species which occur in them. Hill, 1973*

## Gradient analysis: Reciprocal averaging

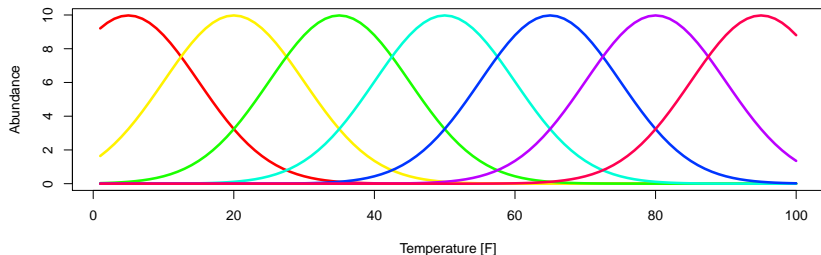
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...	...	...	...	...	...
site M	$p_{M1}$	$p_{M2}$	...	$p_{Mi}$	$p_{M+}$
$\Sigma$	$p_{+1}$	$p_{+2}$	...	$p_{+i}$	$p_{++}$

**Site scores:**  $x$

**Species scores:**  $y$

Start with random site scores (assign a random env. variable)

# Canonical correspondence analysis



...	species 1	species 2	...	species i	$\Sigma$	Env. var.
site 1	$p_{11}$	$p_{12}$	...	$p_{1i}$	$p_{1+}$	$env1_1$
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**Environmental variable:** env

Start with environmental variable to calculate species scores

**Species score: environmental preference of a species**

$$scores_{species} = \frac{p_{11}}{p_{+1}} env1_1 + \frac{p_{21}}{p_{+1}} env1_2 + \dots + \frac{p_{M1}}{p_{+1}} env1_M$$

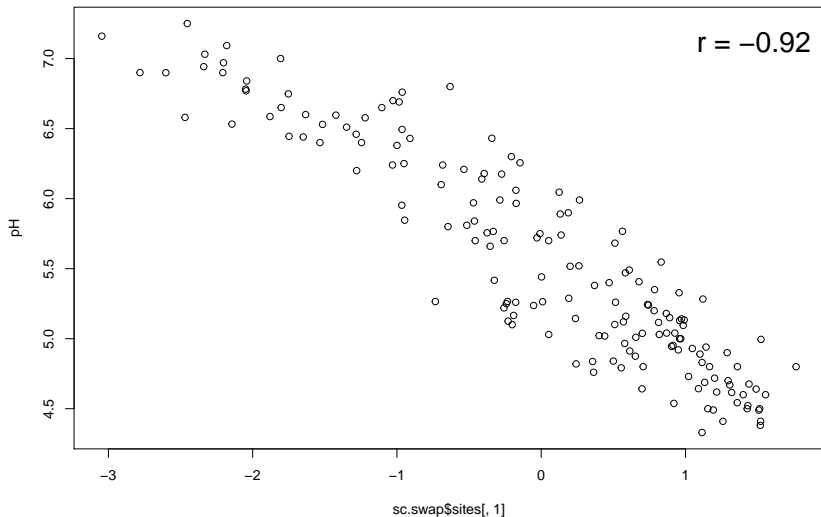
## Canonical correspondence analysis: site scores

...	species 1	species 2	...	species i	$\Sigma$	Env. var.
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**Site scores: environmental conditions at a site as determined by the environmental preferences of species found at that site**

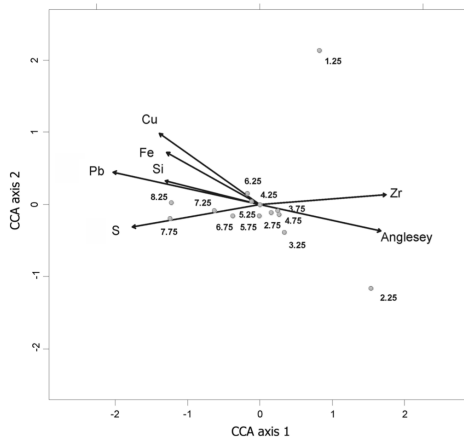
$$scores_{site} = \frac{p_{11}}{p_{1+}} scores_{spec,1} + \frac{p_{12}}{p_{1+}} scores_{spec,2} + \dots + \frac{p_{1N}}{p_{1+}} scores_{spec,N}$$

# Compare site scores to environmental variable; Diatoms and pH



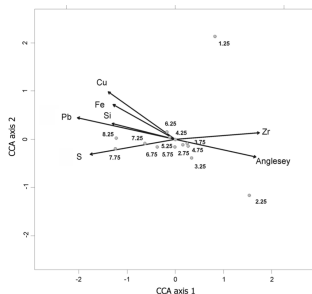


# CCA: bi or triplot





# Variable selection:



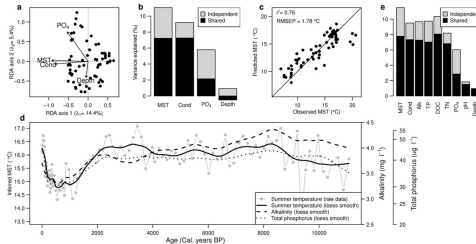
## Issues:

- ▶ many, highly correlated variables
- ▶ 7 variables for 14 samples
  - ▶ which variables are really important?
  - ▶ how do we select them?

# Variable selection:

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## Different selection and inclusion criteria

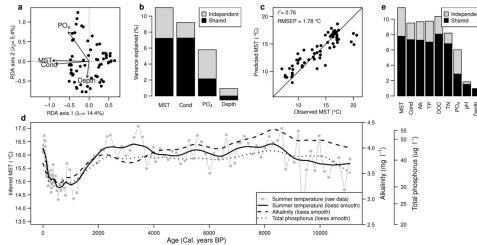
- ▶ forward selection
- ▶ backward elimination
- ▶ Reviewed in Borcard et al. (2011, see github repository)
- ▶ **Always use your ecological knowledge**

# Correlated environmental variables:

Part of the variance explained is shared between the variables

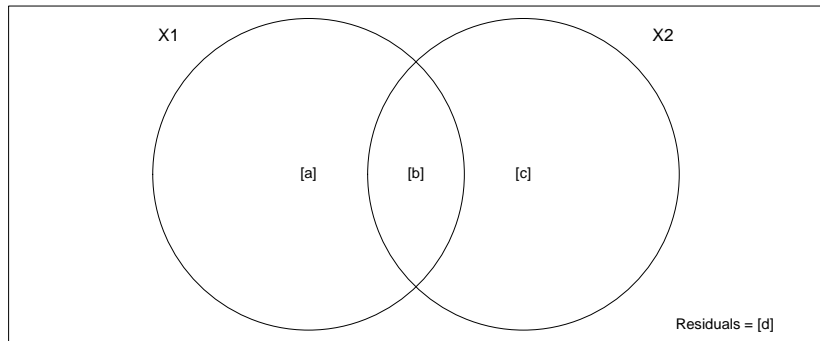
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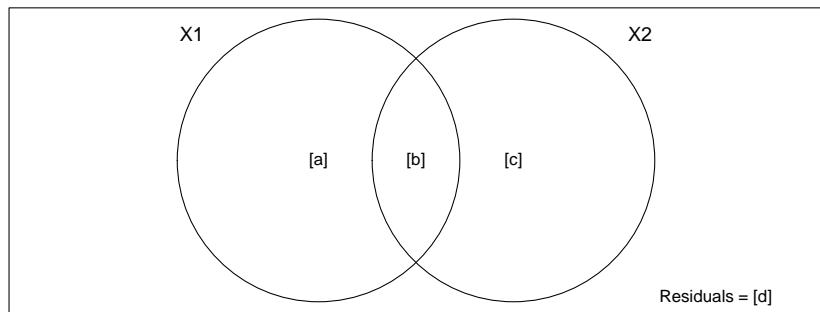


**a:** variance exclusively explained by X1

**c:** variance exclusively explained by X2

**b:** variance shared between X1 and X2

## Variance partitioning:



Step1: Remove influence of one environmental variable (**X1**) on species assemblage

- fit model with env variable you want to condition on (**[a]** + **[b]**) and then take residuals

Step2: Constrain residuals using second environmental variable (**X2**) (**[c]**)

## Variance partitioning: RDA

**varpart** in **vegan** package

##	Df	R.squared	Adj.R.squared	Testable
## [a+b] = X1	1	0.2289742	0.2280408	TRUE
## [b+c] = X2	1	0.1482025	0.1471713	TRUE
## [a+b+c] = X1+X2	2	0.2895756	0.2878534	TRUE

##	Df	R.squared	Adj.R.squared	Testable
## [a] = X1 X2	1	NA	0.1406821	TRUE
## [b]	0	NA	0.0873587	FALSE
## [c] = X2 X1	1	NA	0.0598126	TRUE
## [d] = Residuals	NA	NA	0.7121466	FALSE

## Variance partitioning: CCA

**cca** in **vegan**

```
cca.cond.tjul <- cca(sqrt(arctic.pollen) ~ taug + Condition(tjul),  
data= arctic.env)
```

```
cca.cond.taug <- cca(sqrt(arctic.pollen) ~ tjul + Condition(taug),  
data= arctic.env)
```

**Conditional:** [a] + [b] or [b]+[c]

**Constrained:** [c] or [a]

**Unconstrained:** residuals [d]

**Conditional + Constrained** = [a] + [b] + [c]

No adjusted  $R^2$

## Variance partitioning:

Transform data following Legendre and Gallagher (2001) and then run rda

**decostand()** in vegan

**varpart**

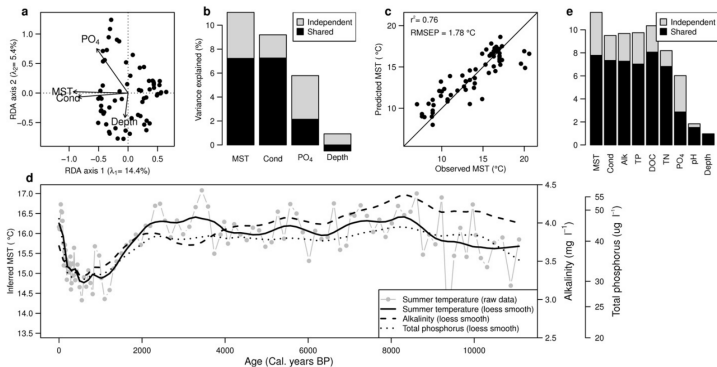




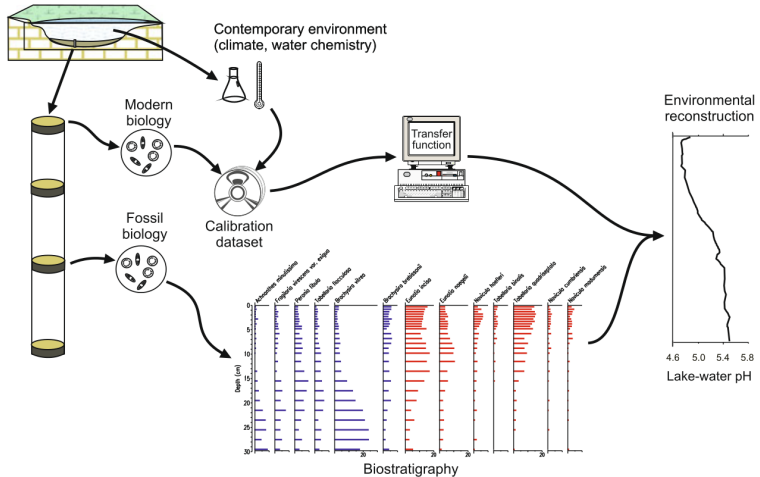
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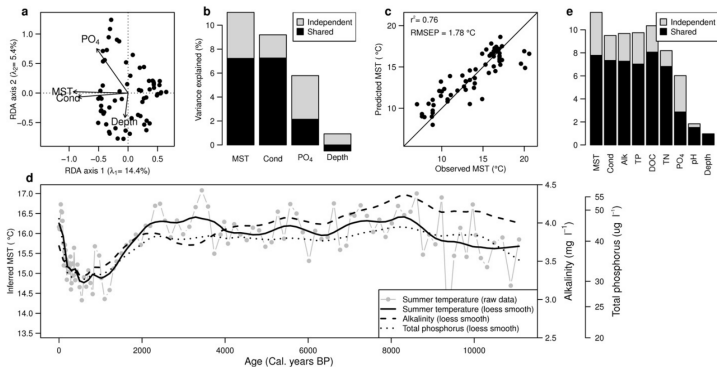


Juggins and Birks (2012)

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# Modern analogue technique vs weighted averaging

**MAT:** local solution (use  $k$  closest analogues and average environment of these analogues)

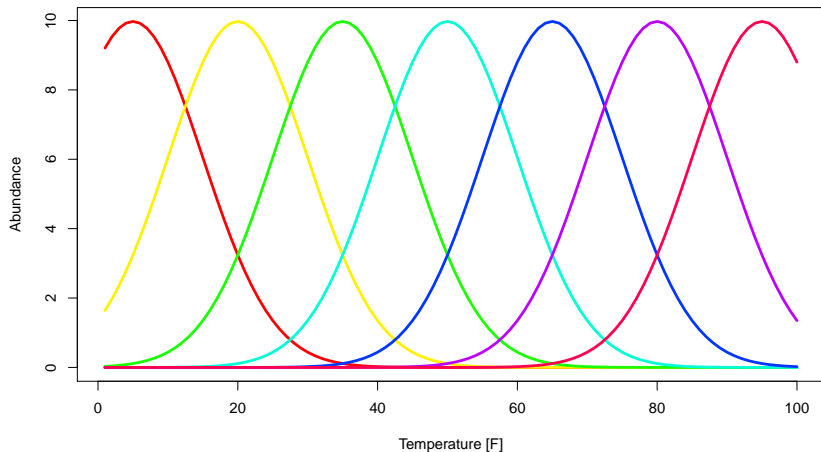
$k$ : number of analogues (usually a few)

**WA:** global solution estimating optimal environmental conditions for species/taxa

From optimal conditions for species estimate past environment based on species composition

Have we encountered this procedure before?

## WA: unimodal response



Estimate species optimum

Using species optima, estimate environmental conditions at a site

## WA and CCA: Optima and species scores

...	species 1	species 2	...	species i	$\Sigma$	Env. var.
site 1	$p_{11}$	$p_{12}$	...	$p_{1i}$	$p_{1+}$	$env_1$
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**Optimum:** environmental preference of a species

**Environmental variable:** env

$$Optimum_{species1} = \frac{p_{11}}{p_{+1}} env_1 + \frac{p_{21}}{p_{+1}} env_2 + \dots + \frac{p_{M1}}{p_{+1}} env_M$$

**Optimum = CCA species scores**

## WA and CCA: Predicted value and site scores

...	species 1	species 2	...	species N	$\Sigma$	Env. var.
site 1	$p_{11}$	$p_{12}$	...	$p_{1N}$	$p_{1+}$	$env1_1$
site 2	$p_{21}$	$p_{22}$	...	$p_{2N}$	$p_{2+}$	$env1_2$
...	...	...	...	...	...	...
site M	$p_{M1}$	$p_{M2}$	...	$p_{MN}$	$p_{M+}$	$env1_M$
$\Sigma$	$p_{+1}$	$p_{+2}$	...	$p_{+N}$	$p_{++}$	

**Predicted values:** environmental conditions at a site as determined by the environmental preferences of species found at that site

$$Pred_{site} = \frac{p_{11}}{p_{1+}} Opt_{spec1} + \frac{p_{12}}{p_{1+}} Opt_{spec2} + \dots + \frac{p_{1N}}{p_{1+}} Opt_{specN}$$

**Predicted values = CCA site scores**



# Deshrinking

$\max(\text{Optima}) \leq \max(\text{env})$

$\min(\text{Optima}) \geq \min(\text{env})$

$\max(\text{predicted value}) \leq \max(\text{Optima})$

$\min(\text{predicted value}) \geq \min(\text{Optima})$

Reconstructed values have less variance than environmental variables

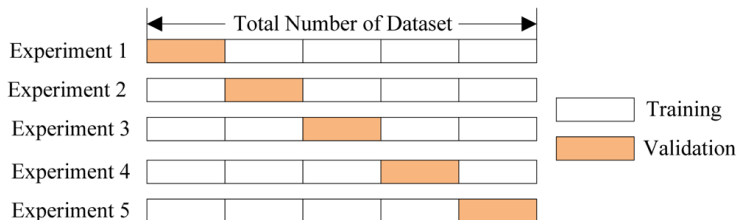
**Deshrinking:** increase variance of reconstructed values

- ▶ inverse
- ▶ classical
- ▶ monotonic (predicted values no longer equal to CCA site scores but still monotonically related)

# Cross-validation

CCA and apparent WA: method knows environmental conditions it is supposed to estimate

Should test model on (hopefully) independent data: **calibration** and **validation**



# Cross-validation

- ▶ Divide data set in two parts
  - ▶ construct model (calibrate) on part one
  - ▶ test model (validate) on part two

## **Leave-one-out:**

- ▶ Use all except one sample to calibrate model, predict omitted sample (validate)

## **k-fold:**

- ▶ Divide data set into k-parts (e.g.  $k = 10$ )
- ▶ Use k-1 parts to calibrate and one part to validate
- ▶ repeat k times

# Outlook

- ▶ Weighted averaging partial least squares (WA-PLS)
- ▶ Validate predictions/reconstructions
- ▶ Cautionary notes