

Multivariate Analysis

II: Constrained Ordination

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- Basic ordination methods to simplify multivariate data into low dimensional graphics
- Analysis of multivariate dependence and hypotheses
- Analyses can be performed in **R** statistical software using **vegan** package and allies
- Course homepage
<http://cc.oulu.fi/~jarioksa/opetus/metodi/>
- **Vegan** homepage <http://vegan.r-forge.r-project.org/>

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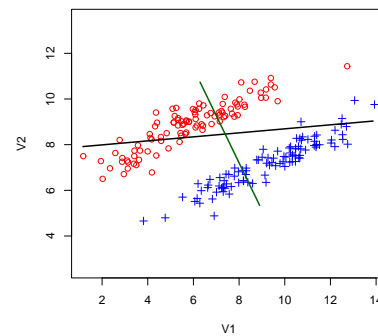
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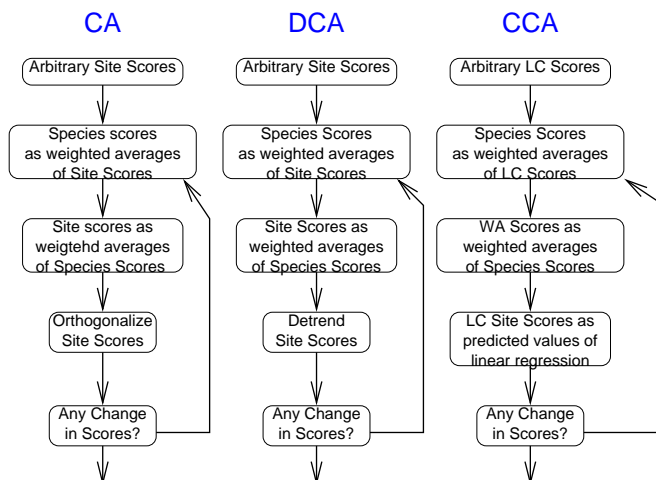
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Constrained vs. Unconstrained

- Unconstrained ordination tries to display the variation in data.
- Constrained ordination tries to display only the variation that can be explained with constraining variables.
- You can observe only things that you have measured.

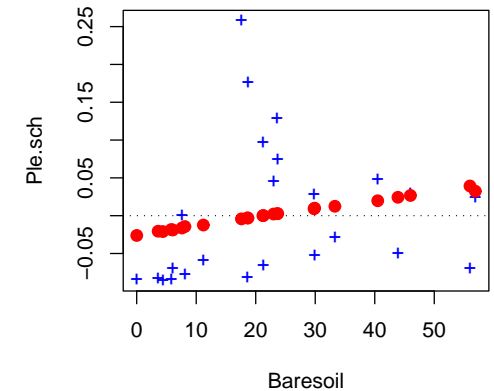
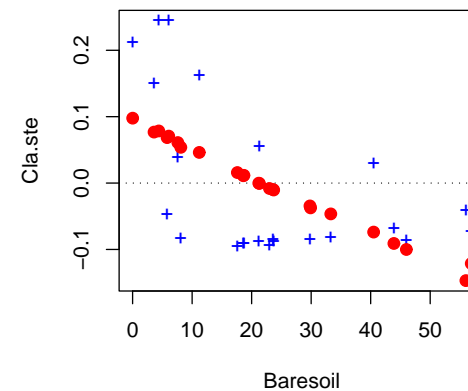


Alternative Algorithm: Alternate Regression and WA

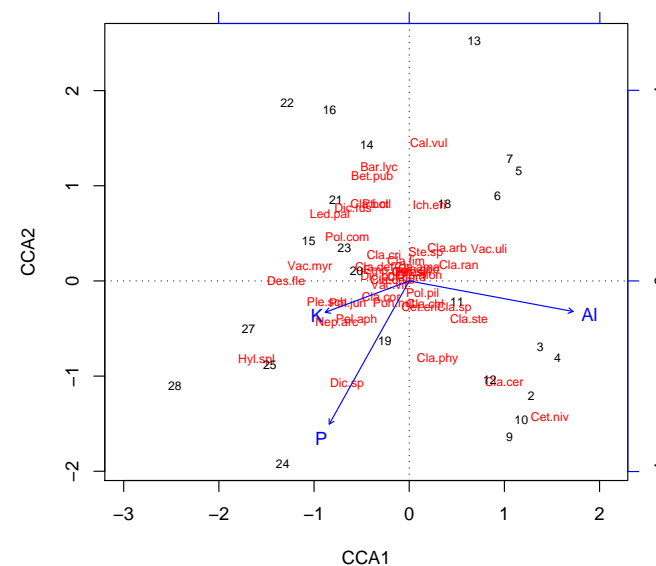


Constrained CA

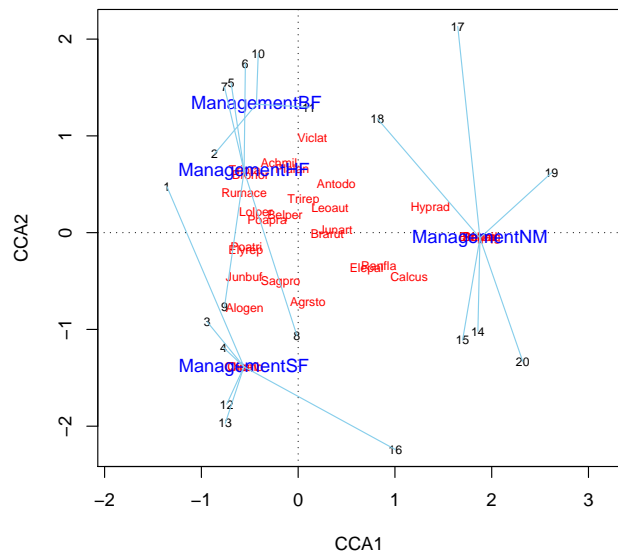
- 1 Fit weighted linear regression to all species individually using all constraints as explanatory variables
- 2 Analyse fitted values using CA



Example: Continuous Constraints



Example: Class Constraints



Running CCA I

```
> (ord <- cca(varespec, varechem))
```

```
Call: cca(X = varespec, Y = varechem)
```

	Inertia	Rank
Total	2.083	
Constrained	1.441	14
Unconstrained	0.642	9

Inertia is mean squared contingency coefficient

Eigenvalues for constrained axes:

CCA1	CCA2	CCA3	CCA4	CCA5	CCA6	CCA7
0.43887	0.29178	0.16285	0.14213	0.11795	0.08903	0.07029

CCA8	CCA9	CCA10	CCA11	CCA12	CCA13	CCA14
0.05836	0.03114	0.01329	0.00836	0.00654	0.00616	0.00473

Eigenvalues for unconstrained axes:

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0.19776	0.14193	0.10117	0.07079	0.05330	0.03330	0.01887

Constrained Ordination

- Constrained analysis of proximities (CAP) in function `capscale` is related to metric multidimensional scaling (`cmdscale`). It can handle any dissimilarity measures and performs a linear mapping.
- Redundancy analysis (RDA) in function `rda` is related to principal components analysis. It is based on Euclidean distances and performs linear mapping.
- Constrained correspondence analysis (CCA) in function `cca` is related to correspondence analysis. It is based on Chi-squared distances and performs weighted linear mapping.

Running CCA II

```
CA8    CA9
0.01510 0.00949
```

```
> head(summary(ord), 3)
```

```
Call:
```

```
cca(X = varespec, Y = varechem)
```

Partitioning of mean squared contingency coefficient:

	Inertia	Proportion
Total	2.083	1.000
Constrained	1.441	0.692
Unconstrained	0.642	0.308

Eigenvalues, and their contribution to the mean squared contingency coefficient:

	CCA1	CCA2	CCA3	CCA4	CCA5	CCA6	CCA7	CCA8
Eig.value	0.439	0.292	0.163	0.142	0.118	0.089	0.0703	0.0584
Accounted	0.211	0.351	0.429	0.497	0.554	0.596	0.6302	0.6582

	CCA9	CCA10	CCA11	CCA12	CCA13	CCA14	CA1
Eig.value	0.05836	0.03114	0.01329	0.00836	0.00654	0.00616	0.00473
Accounted	0.028	0.015	0.006	0.004	0.003	0.003	0.002

Running CCA III

```
Eig.value 0.0311 0.0133 0.00836 0.00654 0.00616 0.00473 0.198
Accounted 0.6732 0.6796 0.68359 0.68673 0.68969 0.69196 0.787
          CA2  CA3  CA4  CA5  CA6  CA7  CA8
Eig.value 0.142 0.101 0.0708 0.0533 0.0333 0.0189 0.0151
Accounted 0.855 0.904 0.9376 0.9632 0.9791 0.9882 0.9954
          CA9
Eig.value 0.00949
Accounted 1.00000
```

Accumulated constrained eigenvalues

```
CCA1 CCA2 CCA3 CCA4 CCA5 CCA6 CCA7 CCA8 CCA9 CCA10
0.304 0.507 0.620 0.718 0.800 0.862 0.911 0.951 0.973 0.982
CCA11 CCA12 CCA13 CCA14
0.988 0.992 0.997 1.000
```

Scaling 2 for species and site scores

- * Species are scaled proportional to eigenvalues
- * Sites are unscaled: weighted dispersion equal on all dimensions

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Running CCA V

Site constraints (linear combinations of constraining variables)

```
CCA1 CCA2 CCA3 CCA4 CCA5 CCA6
18 -0.423 -1.325 -0.492 -0.945 -0.0485 0.940
15 -0.190 0.497 0.455 -0.530 -0.0766 -0.790
24 -0.863 0.252 -2.760 0.570 3.2927 0.263
....
```

Biplot scores for constraining variables

```
CCA1 CCA2 CCA3 CCA4 CCA5 CCA6
N -0.223 -0.5287 0.00685 0.1778 -0.25359 0.10258
P -0.319 0.5790 -0.16203 0.4795 0.18418 -0.12198
K -0.366 0.3080 0.35983 0.4795 0.32551 -0.19676
Ca -0.448 0.4218 -0.03779 0.0982 0.30808 0.04346
Mg -0.435 0.3407 -0.14216 0.1080 0.49788 -0.00570
S -0.024 0.4159 0.14840 0.4446 0.59712 -0.16631
Al 0.770 -0.0477 0.03755 0.3909 0.16111 -0.33702
```

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Running CCA IV

Species scores

```
CCA1 CCA2 CCA3 CCA4 CCA5 CCA6
Cal.vul 0.0753 -0.9358 1.6777 0.696 1.078 -0.3450
Emp.nig -0.1813 0.0761 0.0365 -0.428 -0.138 0.0105
Led.pal -1.0535 -0.0603 0.0774 -0.939 -0.214 -0.5180
....
```

Site scores (weighted averages of species scores)

```
CCA1 CCA2 CCA3 CCA4 CCA5 CCA6
18 0.178 -1.060 -0.409 -0.607 -0.565 0.242
15 -0.970 -0.197 0.421 0.303 0.152 0.804
24 -1.280 0.476 -2.947 0.393 3.954 0.766
....
```

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Running CCA VI

```
Fe 0.649 -0.0886 -0.04218 0.2627 -0.06955 -0.11188
Mn -0.722 0.2247 0.11306 0.2916 -0.13870 0.18055
Zn -0.358 0.3352 -0.27789 0.3460 0.61920 -0.00103
Mo 0.205 -0.1028 -0.15689 0.3250 0.51625 -0.31305
Baresoil -0.537 -0.2538 0.13751 -0.5202 0.16592 -0.35143
Humdepth -0.697 0.2023 0.27184 -0.1353 -0.00363 -0.05074
pH 0.497 0.0744 -0.32666 0.0203 -0.14517 -0.05996
```

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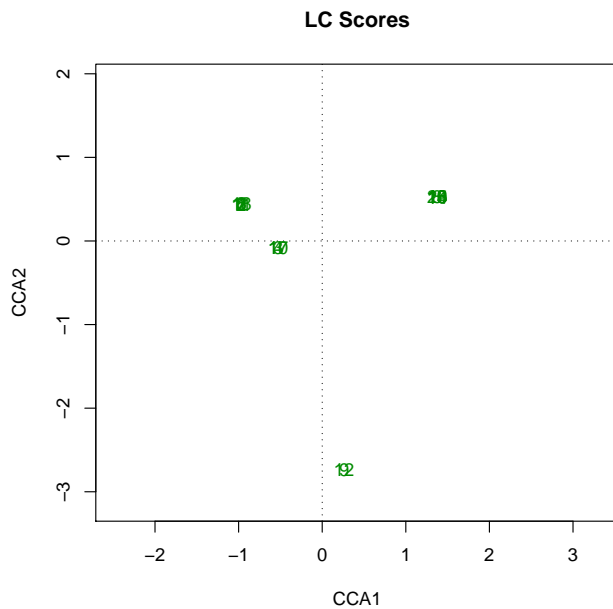
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Numbers

- Eigenvalues and axis scores like in unconstrained ordination
- Eigenvalues should be lower than in unconstrained analysis, or constraints had no effect
- Components separately for constrained (explained) and unconstrained (residual) variation
- Four kind of scores
 - 1 Species scores derived from site (LC) scores
 - 2 Site scores which are linear components of constraints: **LC Scores**
 - 3 Site scores derived from species scores: **WA Scores**
 - 4 Scores for constraints: arrowheads for continuous variables (**biplot** scores) and centroids of factor levels
- Species–environment correlation: correlation between WA and LC scores

LC Scores are Constraints

Dune Meadows Constrained by Moisture Level



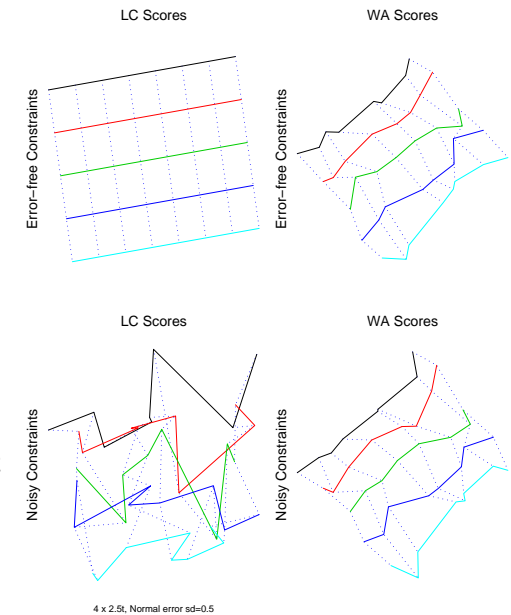
WA or LC Scores?

Mike Palmer:

- Use LC scores, because they give the best fit with the environment, and WA scores are a step from CCA towards CA.

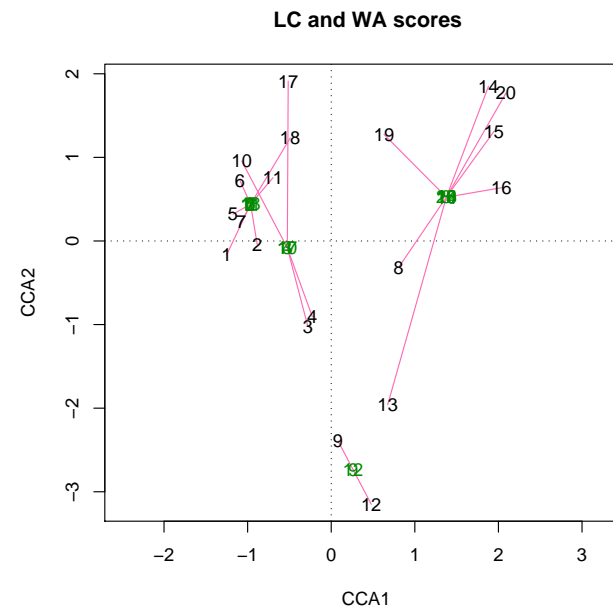
Bruce McCune:

- LC scores are excellent, if you have no error in constraining variables. Even with small error, LC scores become miserable, but WA scores are good even in noisy data.



LC Scores are Constraints

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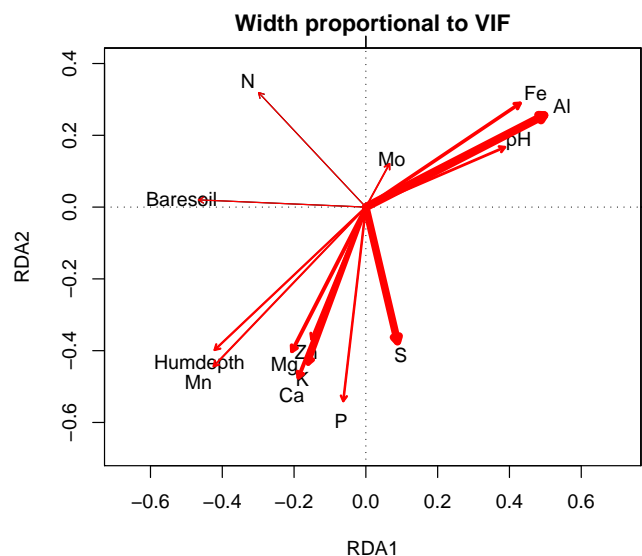
Model Choice

- Often people chunk in all environmental variables they have — may be a patently bad idea
- Increasing the number of constraints means slacker constraint: analysis approaches unconstrained ordination and fitting environmental variables
- Does not allow hypothesis testing
- Many of the variables may be insignificant
- Multicollinearity between variables evident as *Variance Inflation*

```
> vif.cca(cca(varespec, varechem))
```

N	P	K	Ca	Mg	S	Al
1.98	6.03	12.01	9.93	9.81	18.38	21.19
Fe	Mn	Zn	Mo	Baresoil	Humdepth	pH
9.13	5.38	7.74	4.32	2.25	6.01	7.39

Variance Inflation Factor



Model Specification: Formula Interface I

```
> (vare.cca <- cca(varespec ~ Al + P + K, varechem))
```

```
Call: cca(formula = varespec ~ Al + P + K, data =
varechem)
```

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(Shown only 8 of all 20 unconstrained eigenvalues)

Model Specification: Formula Interface II

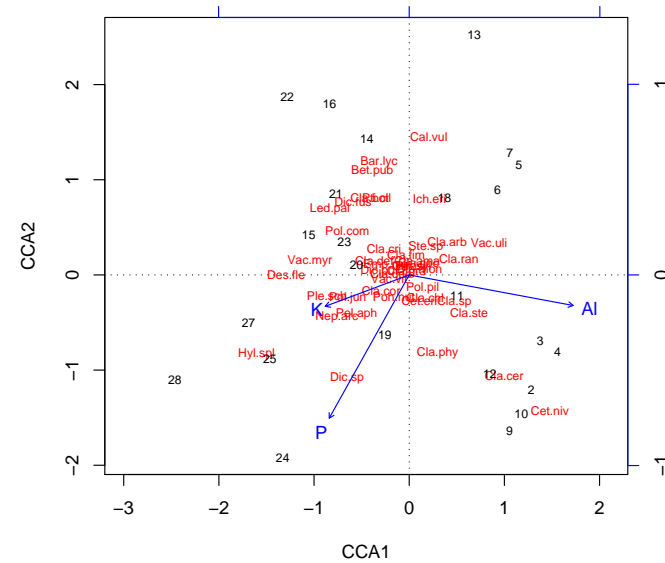
```
> vif.cca(vare.cca)
```

	A1	P	K
	1.01	2.37	2.38

Coding Factors: Dummy variables

	ManagementHF	ManagementNM	ManagementSF
BF	0	0	0
SF	0	0	1
HF	1	0	0
NM	0	1	0

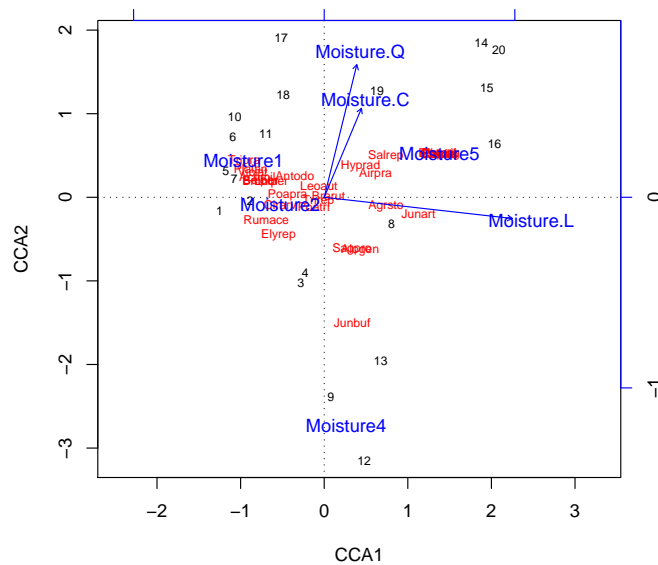
Plot



Ordered Factors

	Moisture.L	Moisture.Q	Moisture.C
1	-0.671	0.5	-0.224
2	-0.224	-0.5	0.671
4	0.224	-0.5	-0.671
5	0.671	0.5	0.224

Plotting Ordered Factors



Shortcut to a Maximal Model I

```
> mod1 <- cca(varespec ~ ., varechem)
> mod1
```

```
Call: cca(formula = varespec ~ N + P + K + Ca + Mg + S
+ Al + Fe + Mn + Zn + Mo + Baresoil + Humdepth + pH,
data = varechem)
```

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Goodness of Model and its Costs

- Eigenvalue is the measure of goodness of fit
- Eigenvalue is maximized: even random constraints will have $\lambda > 0$
- AIC: balance maximization of eigenvalue by a penalty for each used constraint
- AIC does not exist for constrained ordination: AIC is based on Likelihood of the fitted model, and ordination models do not have Likelihood
- Toy-AIC may sometimes work, and can be used in automated model building
- Permutation tests can be used to check the approximate validity of automated model building

Shortcut to a Maximal Model II

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Stepping to a Good Model I

```
> mod0 <- cca(varespec ~ 1, varechem)
> mod <- step(mod0, scope = formula(mod1), test = "perm",
+   perm.max = 100)
```

Start: AIC=130

varespec ~ 1

	Df	AIC	F	N.Perm	Pr(>F)
+ Al	1	129	3.67	99	0.01 **
+ Mn	1	129	3.31	99	0.01 **
+ Humdepth	1	129	3.01	99	0.01 **
+ Baresoil	1	130	2.46	99	0.02 *
+ Fe	1	130	2.44	99	0.01 **
+ P	1	130	2.19	99	0.05 *
+ Zn	1	130	1.93	99	0.04 *
<none>	130				
+ Mg	1	130	1.87	99	0.10 .
+ K	1	130	1.86	99	0.06 .
+ Ca	1	130	1.80	99	0.10 .

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Stepping to a Good Model III

+ Baresoil	1	129	1.57	99	0.10 .
+ Ca	1	129	1.42	99	0.08 .
+ Humdepth	1	129	1.38	99	0.24
+ Mo	1	130	0.99	99	0.51
+ pH	1	130	0.88	99	0.55
+ Fe	1	130	0.52	99	0.88
- Al	1	130	3.67	99	0.01 **

Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1

Step: AIC=128

varespec ~ Al + P

	Df	AIC	F	N.Perm	Pr(>F)
+ K	1	127	2.17	99	0.07 .
<none>	128				
+ Baresoil	1	128	1.66	99	0.08 .
+ N	1	128	1.55	99	0.09 .
+ S	1	128	1.34	99	0.22

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Stepping to a Good Model II

+ pH	1	131	1.66	99	0.09 .
+ S	1	131	1.51	99	0.15
+ N	1	131	1.46	99	0.13
+ Mo	1	131	1.06	99	0.41

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Step: AIC=129

varespec ~ Al

	Df	AIC	F	N.Perm	Pr(>F)
+ P	1	128	2.50	99	0.01 **
+ K	1	128	2.32	99	0.01 **
+ S	1	128	2.16	99	0.02 *
+ Zn	1	128	1.99	99	0.06 .
+ Mn	1	128	1.89	99	0.03 *
<none>	129				
+ Mg	1	129	1.74	99	0.08 .
+ N	1	129	1.59	99	0.09 .

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Stepping to a Good Model IV

+ Mn	1	128	1.26	99	0.27
+ Zn	1	128	1.20	99	0.27
+ Humdepth	1	129	1.15	99	0.37
- P	1	129	2.50	99	0.01 **
+ Mo	1	129	0.98	99	0.61
+ Mg	1	129	0.96	99	0.48
+ pH	1	129	0.92	99	0.52
+ Fe	1	129	0.53	99	0.91
+ Ca	1	129	0.46	99	0.97
- Al	1	130	3.94	99	0.01 **

Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1

Step: AIC=127

varespec ~ Al + P + K

	Df	AIC	F	N.Perm	Pr(>F)
<none>	127				
+ N	1	128	1.51	99	0.14

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Stepping to a Good Model V

```

+ Baresoil 1 128 1.45    99  0.10 .
+ Zn        1 128 1.31    99  0.25
+ S         1 128 1.26    99  0.25
- K         1 128 2.17    99  0.02 *
+ Mo        1 128 1.24    99  0.23
- P         1 128 2.34    99  0.02 *
+ Mg        1 128 1.03    99  0.43
+ Mn        1 128 0.89    99  0.65
+ Humdepth  1 128 0.81    99  0.57
+ Fe        1 129 0.52    99  0.84
+ pH        1 129 0.51    99  0.81
+ Ca        1 129 0.44    99  0.88
- Al        1 130 4.33    99  0.01 **

```

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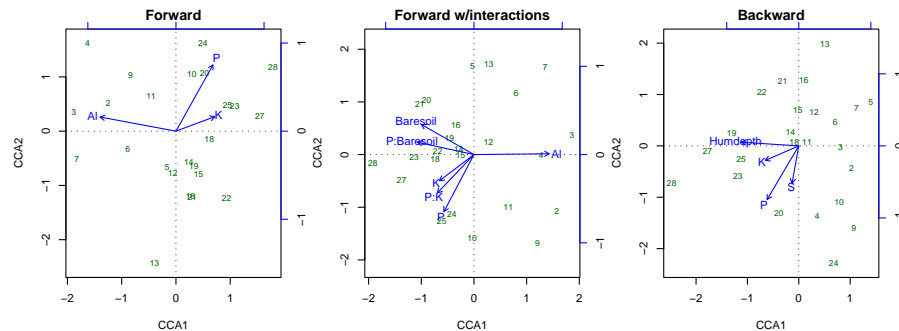
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```

```
> mod
```

Stepping is Dangerous

Automatic model selection may give different results depending on stepping direction, scope or small changes in the data set



Stepping to a Good Model VI

```
Call: cca(formula = varespec ~ Al + P + K, data = varechem)
```

```

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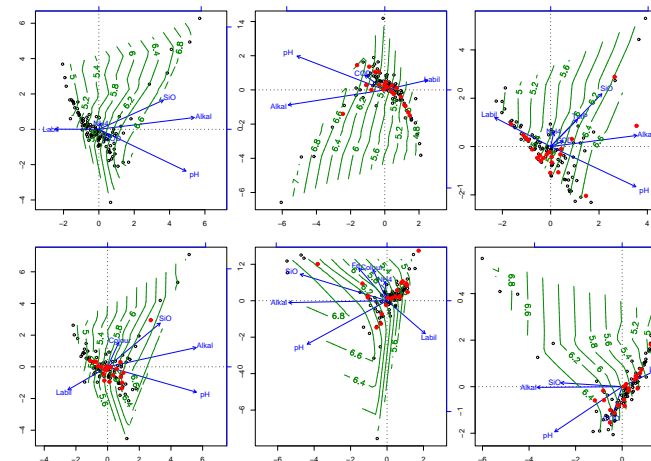
Eigenvalues for unconstrained axes:

```

CA1  CA2  CA3  CA4  CA5  CA6  CA7  CA8
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5-fold Cross-validation and stepping



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Overall Test

```
> anova(mod)
```

Permutation test for cca under reduced model

```
Model: cca(formula = varespec ~ Al + P + K, data = varechem)
```

	Df	Chisq	F	N.Perm	Pr(>F)
Model	3	0.64	2.98	199	0.005 **
Residual	20	1.44			

Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1

Permutation Test

- The significance of constraints cannot be directly evaluated, but we can use permutation tests
- Shuffle community data into random order and refit the model: gives goodness of fit of a random model
- If observed goodness of fit is better than (most) random models, then the constraints are significant
- The criterion of the goodness of fit is pseudo- F :

$$F = \frac{\Lambda_c/p}{\Lambda_r/(n-p-1)},$$

where Λ_c and Λ_r are constrained and residual inertia, p is the rank of constraints, and n is the number of observations

- Definition similar to F -statistic in ANOVA, but does not follow its distribution (except for single variable in RDA)

ANOVA by Terms

```
> anova(mod, by = "terms")
```

Permutation test for cca under reduced model

Terms added sequentially (first to last)

```
Model: cca(formula = varespec ~ Al + P + K, data = varechem)
```

	Df	Chisq	F	N.Perm	Pr(>F)	
Al	1	0.30	4.14	99	0.01	**
P	1	0.19	2.64	99	0.03	*
K	1	0.16	2.17	99	0.04	*
Residual	20	1.44				

```

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```

ANOVA by Margins

Type III Sums of Squares

```
> anova(mod, by = "mar")
```

Permutation test for cca under reduced model

Marginal effects of terms

```
Model: cca(formula = varespec ~ A1 + P + K, data = varechem)
```

	Df	Chisq	F	N.Perm	Pr(>F)
A1	1	0.31	4.33	199	0.005 **
P	1	0.17	2.34	199	0.015 *
K	1	0.16	2.17	699	0.030 *
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ANOVA by Axis

```
> anova(vare.cca, by = "axis", perm = 1000)
```

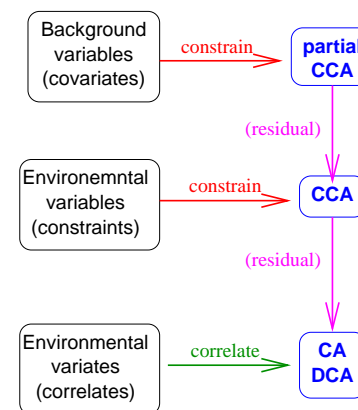
Permutation test for cca under reduced model

```
Model: cca(formula = dune ~ Moisture, data = dune.env)
```

	Df	Chisq	F	N.Perm	Pr(>F)
CCA1	1	0.42	4.51	199	0.005 **
CCA2	1	0.13	1.43	99	0.280
CCA3	1	0.08	0.82	99	0.570
Residual	16	1.49			

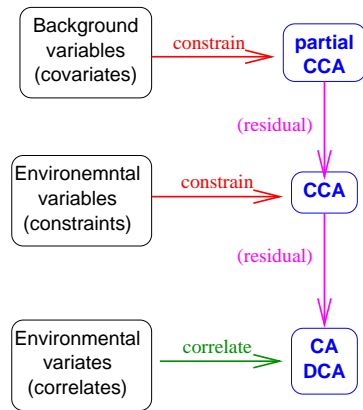
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- Constraints are linear: Non-orthogonal environmental variables may give 'negative components of variation'
- Information of lower levels mixed with upper.

Treatment with Confounding Natural Variation I

```
> (ord <- rda(dune ~ Management + Condition(A1 + Moisture),
+           dune.env))
```

```
Call: rda(formula = dune ~ Management + Condition(A1 +
Moisture), data = dune.env)
```

	Inertia	Rank
Total	84.1	
Conditional	29.8	4
Constrained	19.1	3
Unconstrained	35.2	12

Inertia is variance

Eigenvalues for constrained axes:

RDA1	RDA2	RDA3
11.26	4.88	2.97

Eigenvalues for unconstrained axes:

PC1	PC2	PC3	PC4	PC5	PC6	PC7	PC8	PC9	PC10
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Why Partial Ordination?

- Remove the effect of background (or "random") variables before analysing the effect of interesting variables
- Allows analysis of experimental design (constraints) with confounding variables (conditions)
- Allows split-plot and other hierarchical designs
- Decomposition of variation due to different sources, like spatial and environmental components

Treatment with Confounding Natural Variation II

```
8.211 7.138 4.613 4.027 3.023 2.659 1.867 1.499 0.910 0.641
PC11 PC12
0.387 0.268
```

```
> anova(ord)
```

Permutation test for rda under reduced model

```
Model: rda(formula = dune ~ Management + Condition(A1 + Moisture), data = dune.env)
```

	Df	Var	F	N.Perm	Pr(>F)
Model	3	19.1	2.17	199.0	0.005 **
Residual	12	35.2			

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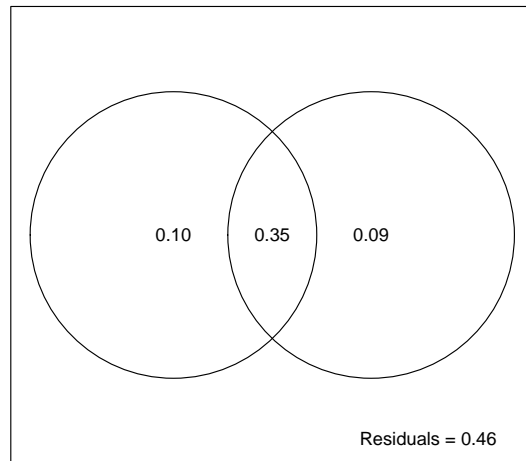
Components of Variation

- There can be several groups of source of variation, and we may be interested in quantifying these components
- Typical example: decomposition of variation into pure spatial, pure environmental and spatially structured environmental variation
- We expect that usual $R^2 > 0$, because the goodness of fit is maximized, but adjusted R^2 takes into account the number of constraints and has expectation 0 with random constraints
- Spatial structure can be described by Principal Components of Neighbourhood Matrix (PCNM)

Df	R.squared	Adj.R.squared	Testable
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Use function 'rda' to test significance of fractions of interest

Components of Variance



Direct Analysis of Dissimilarities

- Analyse dissimilarities instead of mapping them into reduced number of dimensions of ordination
- Distance-based Redundancy Analysis (capscale in vegan) can perform the reduction
- Want to have non-Euclidean metric?
- Want to study the effect of geographic (spatial) distance?
- Do you have huge number of variables, but a modest number of observations (like in genetic data)

Outline

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Distance-based RDA I

```
> pcnmmat <- as.matrix(mite.pcnm)
> (ord <- capscale(vegdist(mite) ~ . + pcnmmat, mite.env))
```

Call: capscale(formula = vegdist(mite) ~ SubsDens + WatrCont + Substrate + Shrub + Topo + pcnmmat, data = mite.env)

	Inertia Rank	
Total	1155	
Constrained	821	33
Unconstrained	334	36

Inertia is squared Bray distance

Eigenvalues for constrained axes:

CAP1	CAP2	CAP3	CAP4	CAP5	CAP6	CAP7
361.3613	100.9934	77.2955	51.5555	38.6290	30.5674	24.6378
CAP8	CAP9	CAP10	CAP11	CAP12	CAP13	CAP14
18.0338	17.4683	15.7685	13.0950	12.2059	9.4126	8.2788
CAP15	CAP16	CAP17	CAP18	CAP19	CAP20	CAP21

Distance-based RDA II

6.5805	6.2683	5.0483	4.6042	3.5926	3.2217	3.0243
CAP22	CAP23	CAP24	CAP25	CAP26	CAP27	CAP28
2.1762	1.9741	1.3669	1.1282	0.8464	0.7629	0.3836
CAP29	CAP30	CAP31	CAP32	CAP33		
0.3671	0.2670	0.2117	0.1191	0.0232		

Eigenvalues for unconstrained axes:

MDS1 MDS2 MDS3 MDS4 MDS5 MDS6 MDS7 MDS8

73.4 41.2 25.7 24.4 22.6 20.0 18.9 14.0

(Shown only 8 of all 36 unconstrained eigenvalues)

```
> anova(ord, by = "margin", perm.max = 1000)
```

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Analysis of Dissimilarities Methods

Mantel and Partial Mantel Tests

- Mantel correlation (a.k.a. matrix correlation) is the correlation between two sets of dissimilarities or distances
- $n(n-1)/2$ dissimilarities among n points: ordinary statistical tests of correlations do not apply
- Significance can be assessed by permutation, or asymptotically using equations of Mantel
- Partial Mantel test: use partial correlations
- Analogous to conditioned db-RDA: partial out variation by background distances
- Residuals of distances are not equivalent to residuals of raw data: decomposition of variation dubious

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Distance-based RDA III

Permutation test for capscale under reduced model

Marginal effects of terms

Model: capscale(formula = vegdist(mite) ~ SubsDens + WatrCont + Substrate + S

	Df	Var	F	N.Perm	Pr(>F)
SubsDens	1	9	0.97	99	0.490
WatrCont	1	21	2.24	299	0.020 *
Substrate	6	76	1.36	999	0.034 *
Shrub	2	11	0.58	99	0.950
Topo	1	13	1.35	99	0.180
pcnmmat	22	291	1.43	199	0.005 **
Residual	36	334			

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Analysis of Dissimilarities Methods

Example: Community Structure and Environment

```
> library(cluster)
> envdis <- daisy(mite.env)
> mantel(vegdist(mite), envdis)
```

Mantel statistic based on Pearson's product-moment correlation

Call:

```
mantel(xdis = vegdist(mite), ydis = envdis)
```

Mantel statistic r: 0.422

Significance: <0.001

Empirical upper confidence limits of r:

90%	95%	97.5%	99%
0.0355	0.0473	0.0590	0.0714

Based on 1000 permutations

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Controlling for Spatial Distance

```
> mantel.partial(vegdist(mite), envdis, dist(mite.xy))
```

Partial Mantel statistic based on Pearson's product-moment correlation

Call:

```
mantel.partial(xdis = vegdist(mite), ydis = envdis, zdis = dist(mite.xy))
```

Mantel statistic r: 0.292

Significance: <0.001

Empirical upper confidence limits of r:

```
90% 95% 97.5% 99%
0.0437 0.0567 0.0766 0.0983
```

Based on 1000 permutations

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Example: Environment after Spatial Variation

```
> adonis(vegdist(mite) ~ pcnmmt + ., mite.env, perm = 500)
```

Call:

```
adonis(formula = vegdist(mite) ~ pcnmmt + ., data = mite.env, permutations
```

	Df	SumsOfSqs	MeanSqs	F.Model	R2	Pr(>F)
pcnmmt	22.0000	8.8390	0.4018	3.8794	0.60	<0.002 ***
SubsDens	1.0000	0.4102	0.4102	3.9605	0.03	0.006 **
WatrCont	1.0000	0.3239	0.3239	3.1278	0.02	0.014 *
Substrate	6.0000	1.0719	0.1787	1.7250	0.07	0.022 *
Shrub	2.0000	0.1592	0.0796	0.7687	0.01	0.690
Topo	1.0000	0.1637	0.1637	1.5806	0.01	0.138
Residuals	36.0000	3.7284	0.1036		0.25	
Total	69.0000	14.6963			1.00	

```
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```

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Linear Analysis of Dissimilarities

- Function `adonis` in `vegan`
- Permutational MANOVA or non-parametric MANOVA
- Uses “outer products” in MANOVA instead of usual “inner products”: dissimilarities among points instead of distances of variables to their centroids
- Practical if the number of variables is huge: related to AMOVA of gene expression data
- With Euclidean distances equal to MANOVA, but uses permutation tests
- Can be used with any adequate dissimilarity measure
- Test sequential: order of variables does matter

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Analysis of Dissimilarities Methods

Other Dissimilarity-based Methods

- MRPP (Multi-Response Permutation Procedure) and ANOSIM (Analysis of Dissimilarities) compare differences among groups
 - Both are sensitive to differences in the dispersions within groups: **not recommended**
- Multivariate analysis of homogeneity (`betadisper` in `vegan`)
 - With Euclidean distances equal to Levene's test on the homogeneity of variances
 - Also works exactly on non-Euclidean dissimilarities
 - Can be used to study beta diversity within groups
 - Either parametric ANOVA or permutation tests available
 - Pairwise *post hoc* comparison available (Tukey)
 - PERMDISP2 by another name

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