

# jess daly multivariate hw

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library(vegan)
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## Loading required package: permute
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## Loading required package: lattice
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## This is vegan 2.5-6
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```
data("dune")  
data("dune.env")  
?dune
```

```
## starting httpd help server ...
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```
## done
```

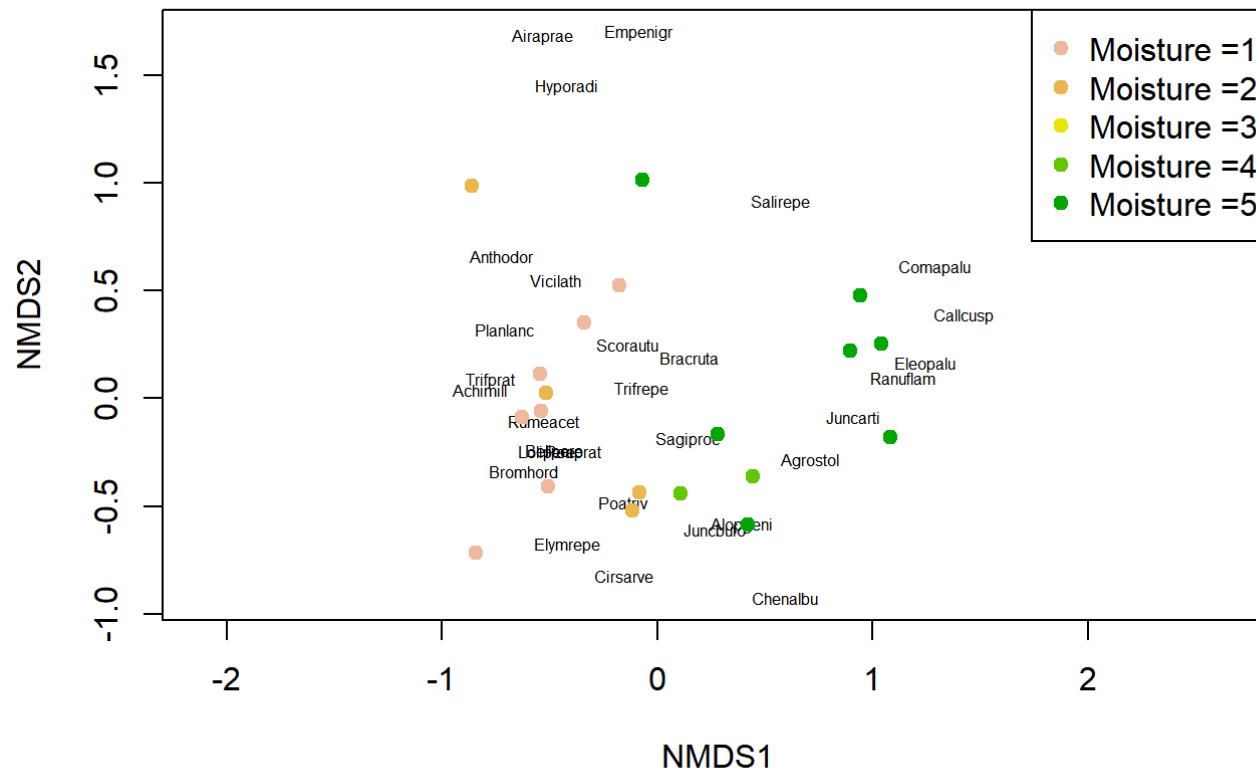
make an NMDS plot that emphasises moisture

```
dune_mds<-metaMDS(dune)
```

```
## Run 0 stress 0.1192678  
## Run 1 stress 0.1183186  
## ... New best solution  
## ... Procrustes: rmse 0.02027 max resid 0.06495396  
## Run 2 stress 0.1192679  
## Run 3 stress 0.1192679  
## Run 4 stress 0.1183186
```

```
## ... New best solution
## ... Procrustes: rmse 4.35235e-05  max resid 0.0001447901
## ... Similar to previous best
## Run 5 stress 0.1183186
## ... Procrustes: rmse 3.290321e-05  max resid 9.087237e-05
## ... Similar to previous best
## Run 6 stress 0.1192678
## Run 7 stress 0.1183186
## ... New best solution
## ... Procrustes: rmse 7.122549e-05  max resid 0.0002326462
## ... Similar to previous best
## Run 8 stress 0.1192678
## Run 9 stress 0.1183186
## ... Procrustes: rmse 7.461503e-05  max resid 0.0002444344
## ... Similar to previous best
## Run 10 stress 0.1192681
## Run 11 stress 0.1812962
## Run 12 stress 0.1183186
## ... Procrustes: rmse 7.124687e-05  max resid 0.0002298733
## ... Similar to previous best
## Run 13 stress 0.1183186
## ... Procrustes: rmse 9.522149e-06  max resid 2.366028e-05
## ... Similar to previous best
## Run 14 stress 0.1192678
## Run 15 stress 0.119269
## Run 16 stress 0.1183186
## ... Procrustes: rmse 6.423943e-05  max resid 0.0001966475
## ... Similar to previous best
## Run 17 stress 0.1183186
## ... Procrustes: rmse 0.0001017684  max resid 0.00028092
## ... Similar to previous best
## Run 18 stress 0.1183186
## ... Procrustes: rmse 9.418423e-05  max resid 0.000308435
## ... Similar to previous best
## Run 19 stress 0.2075713
## Run 20 stress 0.1812933
## *** Solution reached
```

```
dune.env$Moisture<-factor(dune.env$Moisture, levels= 1:5, ordered=FALSE)
plot(dune_mds, type='n')
text(dune_mds, 'sp', cex=.5)
color_vect = rev(terrain.colors(6))[-1]
points(dune_mds, 'sites', pch=19,
       col=color_vect[dune.env$Moisture])
legend('topright', paste("Moisture =", 1:5, sep=''),
       col=color_vect, pch=19)
```



Performing an indirect ordination, like an NMDS, means that we are analyzing a single matrix. We get a bit of data about a lot of things and are able to see more of “the whole picture.” The plot visually sorts the data by color (ie different colors are different moisture levels) so it becomes easy to identify potential patterns. Most of the “5” ranked dots are to the right, while the “1” ranked dots are clustered left. We may be able to suggest that all of those plants in one area prefer a certain climate. However it is difficult to get much more information about what specific factors may be influencing the position of the dots, because the axes “NMDS 1 and 2” do not contain information that can be readily pulled out about land use/manure/management. This method is not good for analyzing the effects of one specific factor.

2.

First run CCA on the entire dataset.

```
cca_dune = cca(dune ~ ., data=dune.env)
RsquareAdj(cca_dune, 100)
```

```
## $r.squared
## [1] 0.7106267
##
## $adj.r.squared
## [1] 0.206309
```

The R<sup>2</sup> is quite high, which indicates that the datapoints fit the line predicted by the model well. However, the adjusted R squared is much lower than the non-adjusted. This tells you that this model is not a very good fit for the data, and that most of the variation that is explained by the model is no different than what would be expected due to random chance, and/or there’s lots of white noise (unnecessary variables) included in the model.

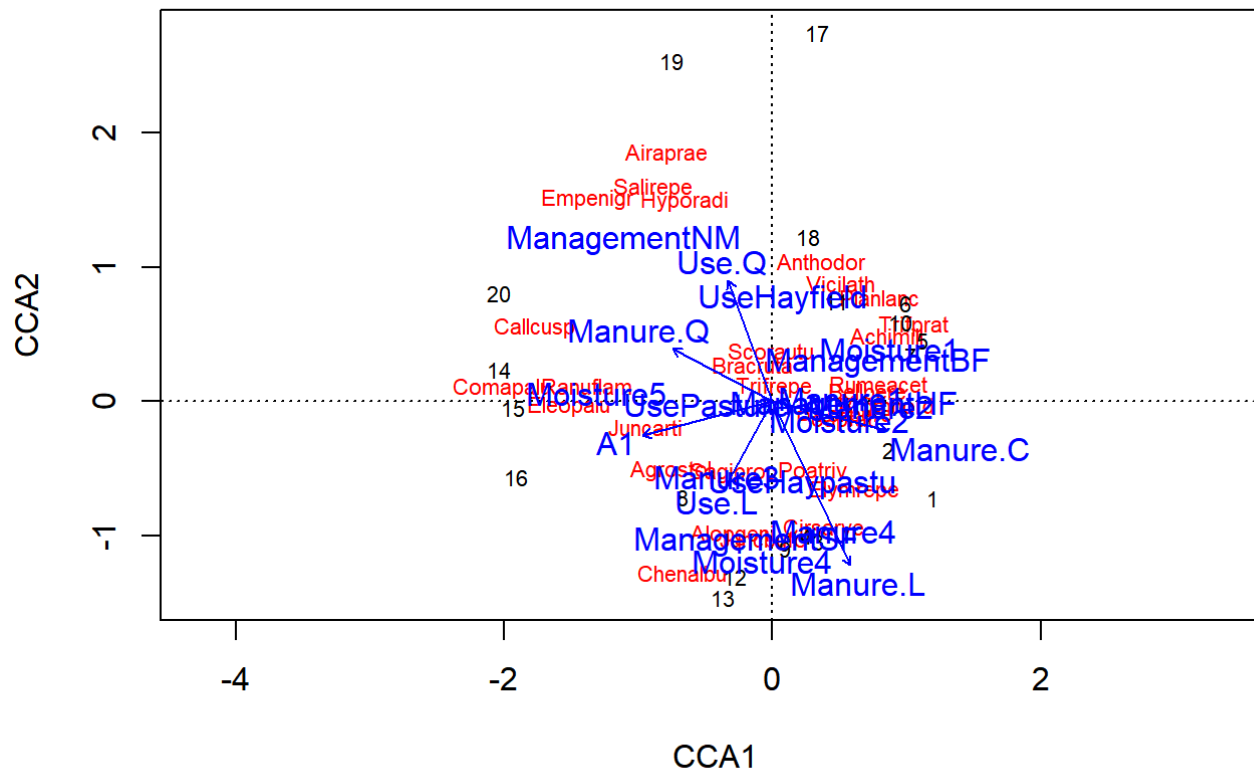
```
anova(cca_dune, permutations=999, by="margin")
```

```
## Permutation test for cca under reduced model
## Marginal effects of terms
## Permutation: free
## Number of permutations: 999
##
## Model: cca(formula = dune ~ A1 + Moisture + Management + Use + Manure, data = dune.env)
##           Df ChiSquare      F Pr(>F)
## A1          1   0.11070 1.2660 0.235
```

```
## Moisture      3    0.31587 1.2041  0.217
## Management   2    0.15882 0.9081  0.589
## Use           2    0.13010 0.7439  0.790
## Manure        3    0.25490 0.9717  0.508
## Residual      7    0.61210
```

From the ANOVA it looks like moisture and A1 (soil thickness) are the most important variable, followed by manure and management.

```
plot(cca_dune)
```



Just from eyeballing, manure looks important and as though the arrows are the most divergent, but it's very hard to tell. I run CCAs and ANOVAs for each of the variables I named above to gain more information.

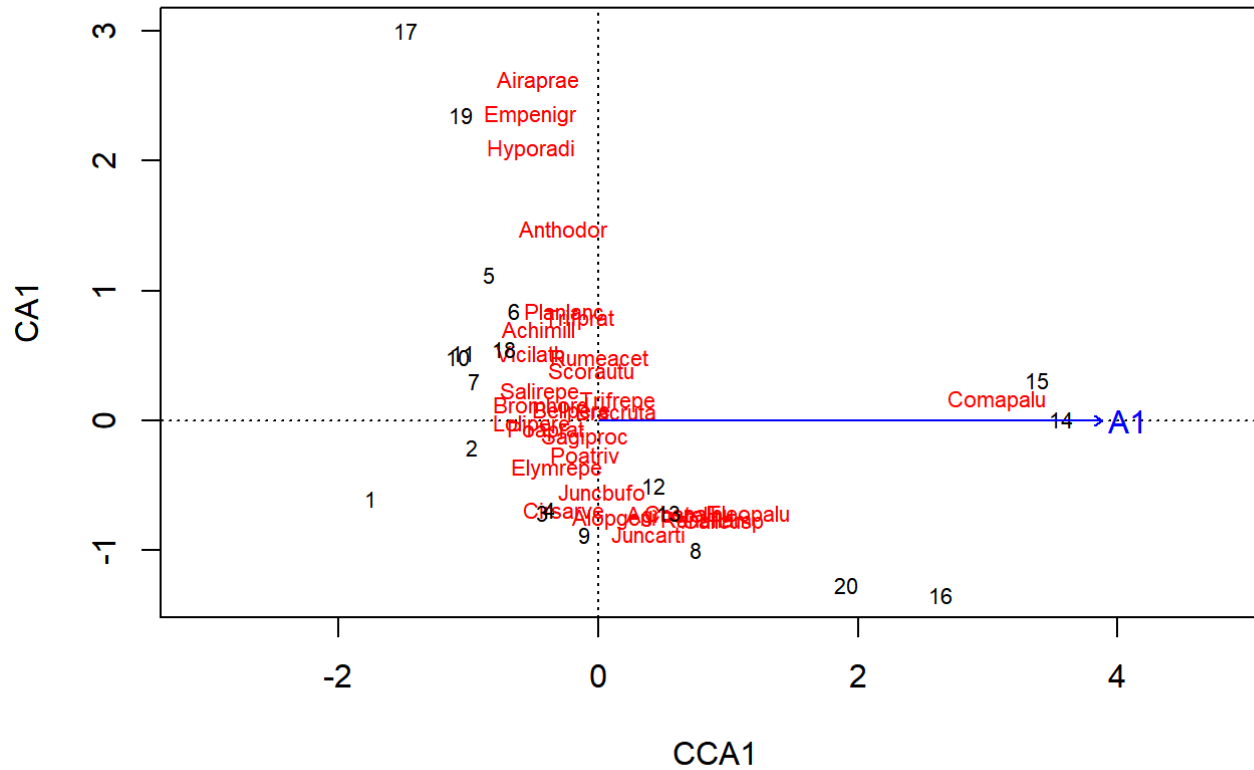
```
cca_A1 = cca(dune ~ A1, data=dune.env)
RsquareAdj(cca_A1, 100)
```

```
## $r.squared
## [1] 0.1062564
##
## $adj.r.squared
## [1] 0.05500527
```

```
anova(cca_A1, permutations=999, by="margin")
```

```
## Permutation test for cca under NA model
## Marginal effects of terms
## Permutation: free
## Number of permutations: 999
##
## Model: cca(formula = dune ~ A1, data = dune.env)
##           Df ChiSquare    F Pr(>F)
## A1          1   0.22476 2.14 0.021 *
## Residual 18   1.89050
## ---
## Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
```

```
plot(cca_A1)
```



```
cca_moist = cca(dune ~ Moisture, data=dune.env)
RsquareAdj(cca_moist, 100)
```

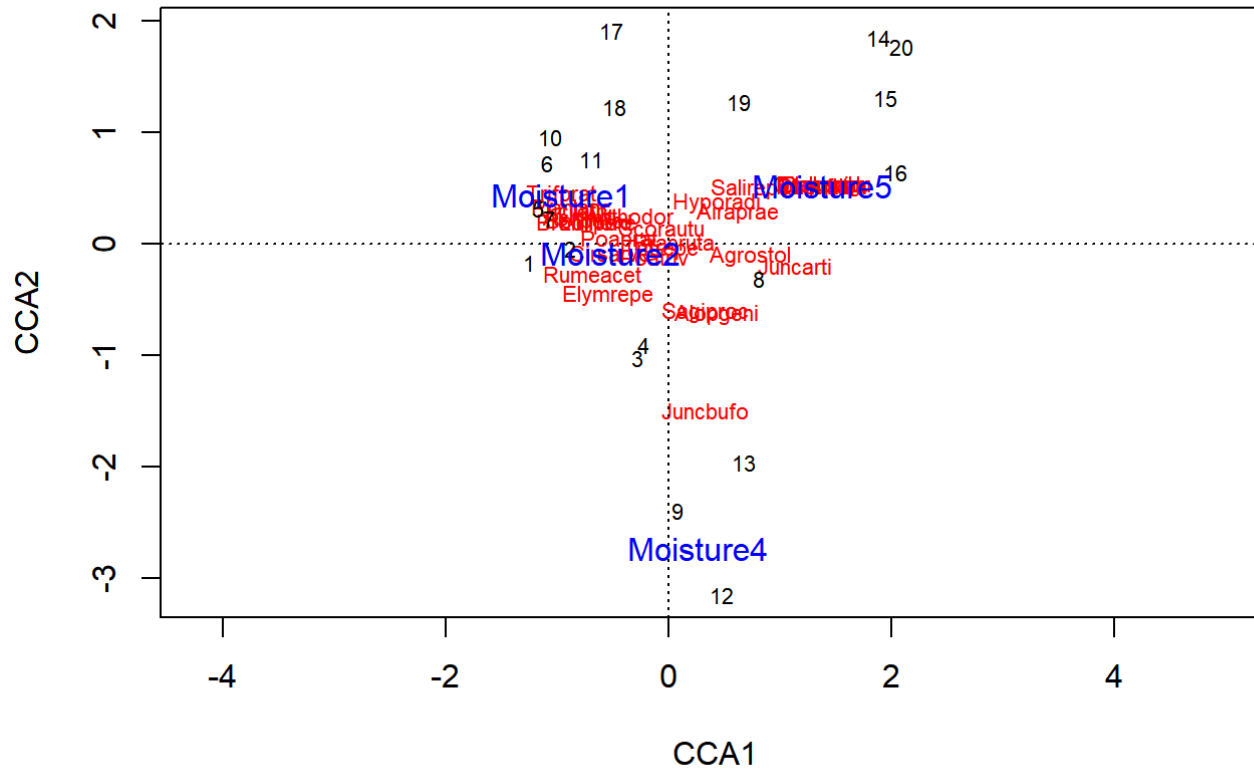
```
## $r.squared
## [1] 0.2970359
##
## $adj.r.squared
## [1] 0.1731114
```

```
anova(cca_moist, permutations=999, by="margin")
```

```
## Permutation test for cca under NA model
## Marginal effects of terms
## Permutation: free
## Number of permutations: 999
##
## Model: cca(formula = dune ~ Moisture, data = dune.env)
##           Df ChiSquare      F Pr(>F)
## Moisture  3    0.62831 2.2536 0.002 **
## Residual 16    1.48695
## ---
## Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
```

```
plot(cca_moist)
```





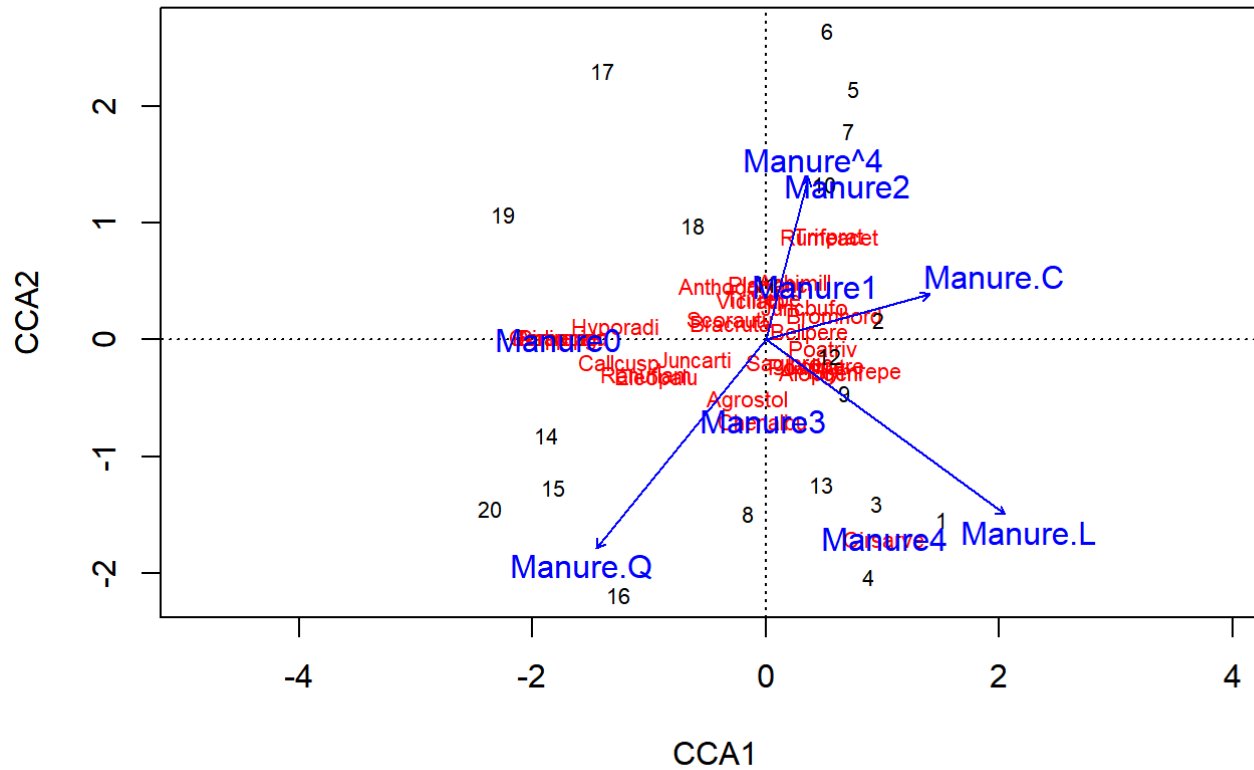
```
cca_poo = cca(dune ~ Manure, data=dune.env)
RsquareAdj(cca_poo, 100)
```

```
## $r.squared
## [1] 0.2891171
##
## $adj.r.squared
## [1] 0.1054013
```

```
anova(cca_poo, permutations=999, by="margin")
```

```
## Permutation test for cca under NA model
## Marginal effects of terms
## Permutation: free
## Number of permutations: 999
##
## Model: cca(formula = dune ~ Manure, data = dune.env)
##           Df ChiSquare      F Pr(>F)
## Manure     4   0.61156 1.5251 0.025 *
## Residual 15   1.50370
## ---
## Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
```

```
plot(cca_poo)
```



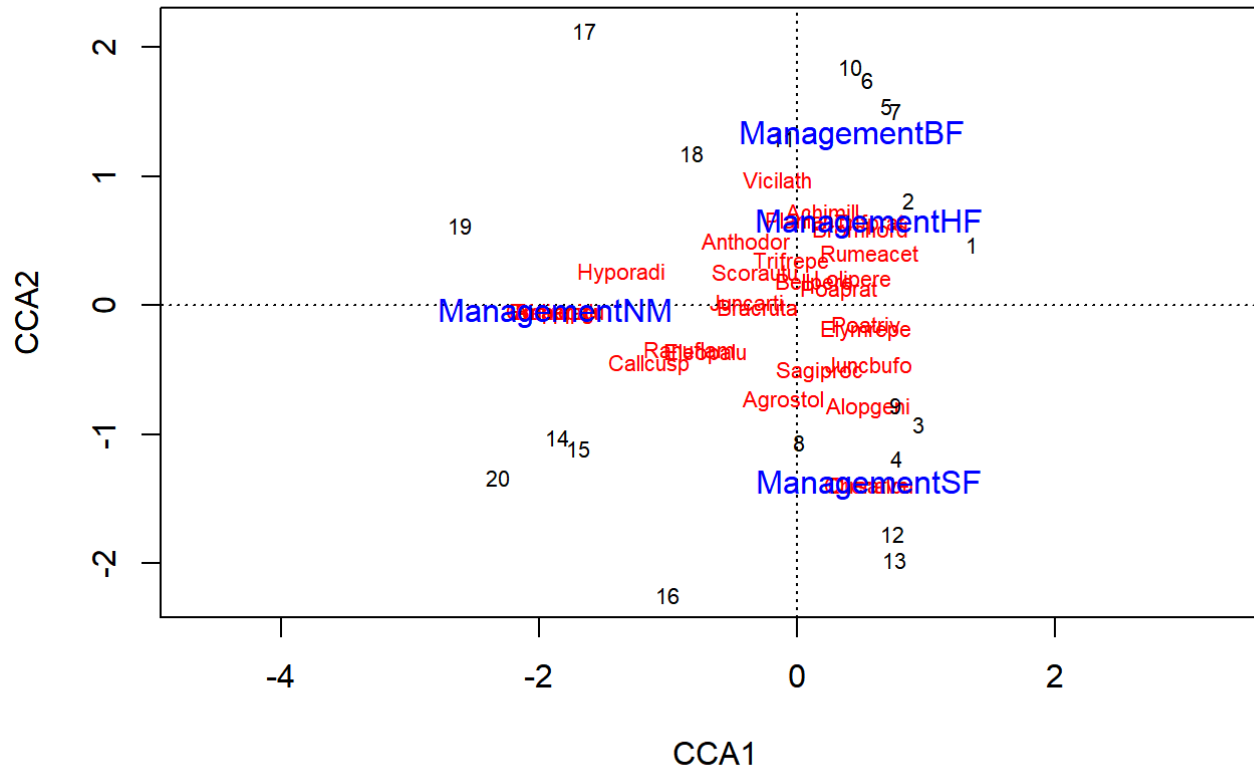
```
cca_man = cca(dune ~ Management, data=dune.env)
RsquareAdj(cca_man, 100)
```

```
## $r.squared
## [1] 0.285467
##
## $adj.r.squared
## [1] 0.1493874
```

```
anova(cca_man, permutations=999, by="margin")
```

```
## Permutation test for cca under NA model
## Marginal effects of terms
## Permutation: free
## Number of permutations: 999
##
## Model: cca(formula = dune ~ Management, data = dune.env)
##           Df ChiSquare      F Pr(>F)
## Management  3   0.60384 2.1307 0.002 **
## Residual   16   1.51143
## ---
## Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
```

```
plot(cca_man)
```



Patterns emerge in all of the model plots except A1, which only produces a single vector). ANOVAs found all tested variables to be significant. However, all of them show a large decrease between the R<sup>2</sup> and adjusted R<sup>2</sup>, which suggests there may be an issue with data fitting the model.

3.

The models seem to compliment each other, nothing seems to contradict anything else. The NMDS suggested that some combination of factors was generating a pattern in dune vegetation cover, though the only thing clearly visible was species names and associated moisture levels. The CCAs allow for looking at specific variables. The same general patterns fall out of each CCA (ie 2 quantities grouped near the top of the y axis, one on the let side on the x axis, and one around halfway on the y axis), indicating that something inherent to the environments may be underlying

everything. I wouldn't say one model is better than the other, it more just depends what specific question you're trying to answer or what you're interested in.