

## Analysis & Analyse\_Function

### 1) Let's analyze **Outcomes** for the efficiency of **organic fertilizer** practices using **Inputs manure**.

We will analyze the **LER outcomes** for the effectiveness of **intercropping** practices using **Mixed intercroppings**.

First let's explore the ERA PracticeCodes to see where we might find the names of the practices we are interested in. **Theme** is the highest level of organization for practice which of these relate to **intercropping**?

```
> PracticeCodes[,unique(Theme)]
[1] "Agroforestry"      "Soil Management"    "Water Management"   "Crop Management"    "Genetic improvement"
[6] "Nutrient Management" "Energy"             "Animals"            "Postharvest"        "Non-CSA"
```

**Crop Management** is a sensible place to look, let's look at the practices nesting within this theme.

```
> PracticeCodes[Theme=="Crop Management",unique(Practice)]
[1] "Crop Rotation"      "Intercropping"      "Intercropping or Rotation"
```

The **intercropping** practice is indeed in the **Crop Management** theme, there are also sub-practices nested within practices so let's see what these are for **intercropping**

```
> PracticeCodes[Practice=="Intercropping",Subpractice.S]
[1] "Intercrop (Mixed)"      "Intercrop (nonNfix)"   "Intercrop (Nfix)"      "Intercrop (Complex)"
[5] "Intercrop (Unsp.)"      "Intercrop (Part; Mixed)" "Intercrop (Part; nonNfix)" "Intercrop (Part; Nfix)"
[9] "Intercrop (Rot; Complex)"
```

Two of these practices seem to relate to **Intercrop (Mixed)** and **Intercrop (Part; Mixed)**, let's check their definitions to make sure.

```
> PracticeCodes[Subpractice.S %in% FocalPractices,Definition]
[1] "An intercropping system with a legume and non-legume. \nIntercropping is where more than one crop is grown at the same time in the same area of management (typically a single field), this is diversification in space rather than diversification in time. Crops should be grown for harvest and not as cover crop or green manure (if the latter see the green manure practices)."
```

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[2] "An intercropping system with a legume and non-legume where intercropping is not present every season (spatial diversification that is variable over time). For example a repeating sequence of Maize followed by a Maize-Cowpea intercrop, this would also get an intercrop rotation code.\nIntercropping is where more than one crop is grown at the same time in the same area of management (typically a single field), this is diversification in space rather than diversification in time. Crops should be grown for harvest and not as cover crop or green manure (if the latter see the green manure practices)."
```

## Prepare the data

Here we will apply the `ERAg::PrepareERA` function before conducting a meta-analysis based on response ratios.

```
> Data_LER_inter_Mixed.Prep <-ERAg::PrepareERA(Data = Data_LER_inter_Mixed,Perc.Neg = 0.5,RmNeg = T)
> dim(Data_LER_inter_Mixed.Prep)
[1] 330 66
> dim(Data_LER_inter_Mixed)
[1] 330 141
```

We haven't lost any data which means that there were insufficient negative outcomes to cause us an issue.

**The use of outcome ratios**, whilst necessary to standardize outcomes between studies, means this approach is inappropriate to study nil outcomes (e.g. total crop yield failure), a binomial approach would be better for such instances.

**A Shapiro-Wilk test** is applied to raw and log-transformed outcome ratios for each combination of grouping variables.

## Explore Results

```
> colnames(Analysis1)
[1] "Out.SubInd"      "SubPrName"      "Observations"    "Studies"         "Sites"          "RR.Shapiro.Sig"
[7] "RR"              "RR.median"      "RR.var"          "RR.se"           "RR.Quantiles0.25" "PC.Shapiro.Sig"
[13] "PC"              "PC.median"      "PC.se"           "PC.var"          "PC.Quantiles0.25" "Units"
[19] "Model"           "MeanT.Obs"      "MeanT"           "MeanT.se"        "MeanC.Obs"       "MeanC"
[25] "MeanC.se"        "RR.t.value"     "RR.Pr(>|t|)"      "RR.Sigma2"       "PC.t.value"      "PC.Pr(>|t|)"
[31] "PC.Sigma2"       "RR.pc.se.low"   "RR.pc"           "RR.pc.se.high"   "RR.pc.jen.low"   "RR.pc.jen"
[37] "RR.pc.jen.high" "PC.pc.se.low"   "PC.pc"           "PC.pc.se.high"
```

The data is already output as with Land Equivalent Ratio with the sub practice Intercrop (Mixed) so, the if we subset Analysis on **Out.SubInd** and **SubPrName**, we will only have one value

```
> table(Analysis1$Out.SubInd)
Land Equivalent Ratio
1

> table(Analysis1$SubPrName)
Intercrop (Mixed)
1
```

To make it more interesting, let the ARAAnalyse function do it with the Data\_LER

**Let's check if we have lost any data**

```
> Data_LER.Prep <- ERAg::PrepareERA(Data = Data_LER, Perc.Neg = 0.5, RmNeg = T)
> dim(Data_LER)
[1] 808 141
> dim(Data_LER.Prep)
[1] 808 66
```

Interesting, we haven't lost any data so the outcomes we are working with is not negative enough to cause us an issue.

## Calculate Effect Sizes

The subset of data analyzed and the amount of data that are available can be observed

```
> Analysis2[,list(Out.SubInd, SubPrName, Observations, Studies, Sites)]
      Out.SubInd SubPrName Observations Studies Sites
1: Land Equivalent Ratio AgFor Alley (Nfix)-AgFor Prune (Unknown)-AgFor Prune Mulch (Nfix) 36 1 1
2: Land Equivalent Ratio AgFor Alley (nonNfix) 9 1 1
3: Land Equivalent Ratio AgFor Alley (Nfix)-Inputs N-Seed Improv 8 1 1
4: Land Equivalent Ratio AgFor Alley (Nfix)-Inputs K-Inputs N-Inputs P-Irrigation Sprinklers 10 1 1
5: Land Equivalent Ratio AgFor Alley (Nfix)-Inputs N 2 1 1
6: Land Equivalent Ratio AgFor Alley (Nfix) 6 1 1
7: Land Equivalent Ratio Intercrop (Mixed) 330 25 31
8: Land Equivalent Ratio Inputs Urea-Intercrop (Mixed) 9 1 1
9: Land Equivalent Ratio Intercrop (nonNfix) 82 9 10
10: Land Equivalent Ratio Inputs P 13 2 3
```

By filtering the results to combinations that meet a **minimum of 2 studies**, we obtain this

```
> Analysis2[,list(Out.SubInd, SubPrName, Observations, Studies, Sites)]
```

	Out.SubInd	SubPrName	Observations	Studies	Sites
1:	Land Equivalent Ratio	Intercrop (Mixed)	330	25	31
2:	Land Equivalent Ratio	Intercrop (nonNfix)	82	9	10
3:	Land Equivalent Ratio	Inputs P	13	2	3
4:	Land Equivalent Ratio	Inputs N-Inputs P	20	2	3
5:	Land Equivalent Ratio	Inputs N	31	3	4
6:	Land Equivalent Ratio	Inputs N-Intercrop (Mixed)	40	2	3
7:	Land Equivalent Ratio	Intercrop (Mixed)-Seed Improv	23	2	3

## Response Ratios

```
> Analysis2[,list(SubPrName,RR.Shapiro.Sig, RR, RR.median, RR.var, RR.se, RR.Quantiles0.25)] %>% head
```

	SubPrName	RR.Shapiro.Sig	RR	RR.median	RR.var	RR.se	RR.Quantiles0.25
1:	Intercrop (Mixed)	0.00000	0.07966	0.18232156	0.18168	0.06922	-1.7148 -0.00827 0.18232 0.40547 0.95551
2:	Intercrop (nonNfix)	0.00008	0.34574	0.38250522	0.36597	0.19307	-1.34707 0.09531 0.38251 0.66518 1.15039
3:	Inputs P	0.67977	-0.05451	-0.04765509	0.03002	0.04289	-0.45199 -0.14951 -0.04766 0.01755 0.25131
4:	Inputs N-Inputs P	0.68067	0.12252	0.14969561	0.07958	0.12870	-0.45199 -0.04632 0.1497 0.33359 0.36367
5:	Inputs N	0.92929	0.08012	0.06560662	0.02073	0.06164	-0.18232 0 0.06561 0.17852 0.28377
6:	Inputs N-Intercrop (Mixed)	0.00004	0.52782	0.58221562	0.06546	0.09699	0 0.37097 0.58222 0.6703 0.78846

## RR

So for our minimum of 2 studies, the **Response Ratio** for the Subpractice name **Inputs P** is **-0.05451<0**. This practice correspond to the Practice Name **Inorganic Fertilizer**.

The experimental control is **better** than the treatment

For the Other Subpractice names **RR>0**;

The experimental *treatment* is better than the *Control*

So for the following **subpractice** Names, **experimental treatment** is better than the **Control**

"Intercrop (Mixed)"

"Intercrop (nonNfix)"

"Inputs N-Inputs P"

"Inputs N"

"Inputs N-Intercrop (Mixed)"

"Intercrop (Mixed)-Seed Improv"

## RR.Shapiro.Sig

Since for "*Intercrop (Mixed)*" "*Intercrop (nonNfix)*" and "*Inputs N-Intercrop (Mixed)*" we have **<0.05**. The test results may **not be reliable** whilst the others **may be**.

mean (RR), median, variance, standard error and quantiles can be seen in the table

## Performing tests with Argument Fast = F

**lmer** and **lm** models are used to estimate **means**, **errors** and **significance** if sufficient data exist when we set **Fast=F**

```
> Analysis2[,list(Out.SubInd,SubPrName,Model, 'RR','RR.se','RR.t value', 'RR.Pr(>|t|)', RR.Sigma2)] %>% head
```

Out.SubInd	SubPrName	Model	RR	RR.se	RR.t value	RR.Pr(> t )	RR.Sigma2
1: Land Equivalent Ratio	Intercrop (Mixed)	lmerModLmerTest	0.07966	0.06922	1.15081	0.25904	0.00769
2: Land Equivalent Ratio	Intercrop (nonNfix)	lmerModLmerTest	0.34574	0.19307	1.79072	0.10699	0.00454
3: Land Equivalent Ratio	Inputs P	lmerModLmerTest	-0.05451	0.04289	-1.27115	0.22776	0.00695
4: Land Equivalent Ratio	Inputs N-Inputs P	lmerModLmerTest	0.12252	0.12870	0.95193	0.43354	0.00323
5: Land Equivalent Ratio	Inputs N	lmerModLmerTest	0.08012	0.06164	1.29982	0.28039	0.00099
6: Land Equivalent Ratio	Inputs N-Intercrop (Mixed)	lmerModLmerTest	0.52782	0.09699	5.44210	0.03228	0.00321

## And some others variables

```
> Analysis2[,list(Out.SubInd,SubPrName, RR.pc.se.low, RR.pc, RR.pc.se.high, RR.pc.jen.low, RR.pc.jen.high)] %>% head
```

Out.SubInd	SubPrName	RR.pc.se.low	RR.pc	RR.pc.se.high	RR.pc.jen.low	RR.pc.jen.high
1: Land Equivalent Ratio	Intercrop (Mixed)	1.04947	8.29188	16.05337	1.43875	16.50046
2: Land Equivalent Ratio	Intercrop (nonNfix)	16.49405	41.30352	71.39660	16.75879	71.78612
3: Land Equivalent Ratio	Inputs P	-9.28069	-5.30510	-1.15527	-8.96490	-0.81119
4: Land Equivalent Ratio	Inputs N-Inputs P	-0.61609	13.03417	28.55929	-0.45546	28.76708
5: Land Equivalent Ratio	Inputs N	1.86518	8.34171	15.23001	1.91562	15.28706
6: Land Equivalent Ratio	Inputs N-Intercrop (Mixed)	53.85340	69.52327	86.78910	54.10053	87.08914