Species and genetic diversity patterns show diverging responses to land use intensity in central European grasslands

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Abstract

This document contains the results from the data analysis of Reisch & Hartig, Species and genetic diversity patterns show diverging responses to land use intensity in central European grasslands. The complete analysis, code and data is available at https://github.com/florianhartig/Reisch-Hartig-2020

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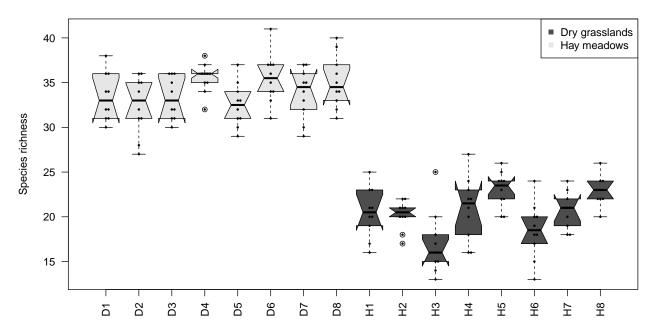
Notes: habitats are occasionally abbreviate with German words MR (Magerrasen) = dry grassland, FW (Fettwiese) = Hay Meadow.

Analysis of alpha diversity

Species alpha

Looking at species alpha diversity, we see a clear habitat pattern in which dry grasslands have higher local species richness (this is Fig. 2 in main paper)

```
## Warning in bxp(list(stats = structure(c(30, 31, 33, 36, 38, 27, 31, 33, :
## some notches went outside hinges ('box'): maybe set notch=FALSE
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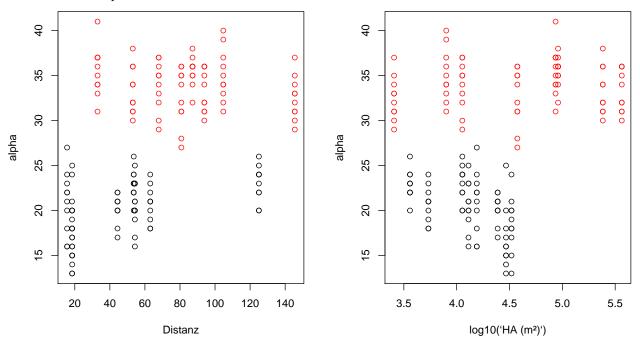
Regression to test for the dependence of alpha on all predictors confirms the effect of habitat

```
## boundary (singular) fit: see ?isSingular
## Generalized linear mixed model fit by maximum likelihood (Laplace
     Approximation) [glmerMod]
##
##
   Family: poisson (log)
   Formula: alpha ~ Habitat + scale(Distanz) + scale(`HA (m2)`) + (1 | Plot)
##
      Data: sites$alpha2
##
##
        AIC
                 BIC
                       logLik deviance df.resid
      883.6
                       -436.8
                                 873.6
##
               899.0
                                             155
##
##
  Scaled residuals:
##
        Min
                  1Q
                       Median
                                    3Q
                                             Max
   -1.58893 -0.39694
                      0.08864 0.37352
                                        1.53683
##
## Random effects:
                       Variance Std.Dev.
   Groups Name
##
   Plot
           (Intercept) 0
## Number of obs: 160, groups: Plot, 16
##
## Fixed effects:
##
                      Estimate Std. Error z value Pr(>|z|)
## (Intercept)
                      3.024937
                                 0.027301 110.800
                                                     <2e-16 ***
## HabitatMagerrasen
                      0.492702
                                 0.039113
                                           12.597
                                                     <2e-16 ***
## scale(Distanz)
                      0.018518
                                 0.017535
                                             1.056
                                                      0.291
## scale(`HA (m²)`)
                     -0.003164
                                 0.015641
                                           -0.202
                                                      0.840
##
## Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
## Warning in abbreviate(rn, minlength = 11): abbreviate used with non-ASCII
## chars
##
## Correlation of Fixed Effects:
```

```
## Warning in abbreviate(rn, minlength = 6): abbreviate used with non-ASCII
## chars

## (Intr) HbttMg scl(D)
## HabttMgrrsn -0.827
## scal(Dstnz) 0.340 -0.487
## sc(`HA(2)`) 0.319 -0.444 0.207
## convergence code: 0
## boundary (singular) fit: see ?isSingular
```

We did some further tests to explore possible nonlinear confounding with other predictors, but didn't see an issue that would question theses results



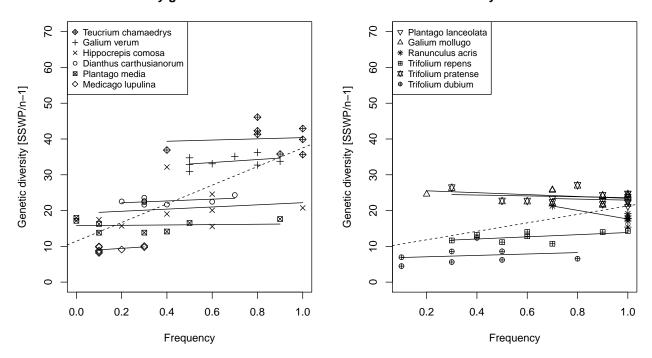
Our conclusion the main factor associated with species alpha is habitat (dry grassland has higher tax alpha).

Genetic alpha

We consider genetic alpha diversity (measured in SSWP/n-1) for the 6 species each in the dry and mesic grasslands against the frequency (FR) of subplots in which the species was found. The dashed line in each plot shows a linear regression estimate across all species in a given habitat, the solid lines show linear regression estimate per species.

Dry grasslands

Hay Meadows



The comparison suggests that genetic diversity differs little within species, and apparent correlations between FR and genetic diversity occur because of a confounding of FR with species. To separate these effects, we calculated linear mixed models, with population and species as random intercepts.

```
## Linear mixed model fit by maximum likelihood . t-tests use
##
     Satterthwaite's method [lmerModLmerTest]
##
  Formula:
   `SSWP/n-1` ~ Habitat * scale(FR) + scale(`HA (m²)`) + scale(Distanz) +
##
##
       (1 | Population) + (1 | Art)
      Data: sites$genAlpha
##
##
##
        AIC
                 BIC
                        logLik deviance df.resid
      511.2
                        -246.6
                                  493.2
                                               87
##
               534.3
##
   Scaled residuals:
##
##
       Min
                10
                    Median
                                 30
                                         Max
   -2.3640 -0.5007 -0.0612
                             0.4707
                                     4.6340
##
##
## Random effects:
    Groups
                            Variance Std.Dev.
##
               Name
    Population (Intercept)
                             0.2302
                                     0.4798
##
##
    Art
                (Intercept) 66.9680
                                     8.1834
                                     2.3294
##
                             5.4261
   Number of obs: 96, groups:
                                Population, 16; Art, 12
##
##
  Fixed effects:
##
##
                                Estimate Std. Error
                                                           df t value Pr(>|t|)
## (Intercept)
                                 18.4747
                                              3.3823 12.0918
                                                                5.462 0.000141
## HabitatMagerrasen
                                  5.4216
                                              4.7906 12.1681
                                                                1.132 0.279569
## scale(FR)
                                 -0.1911
                                              0.5982 85.4007
                                                               -0.319 0.750224
## scale(`HA (m2)`)
                                  0.2236
                                              0.3066 13.2769
                                                                0.729 0.478428
```

```
## scale(Distanz)
                                 0.2373
                                            0.3246 15.7950
                                                              0.731 0.475424
## HabitatMagerrasen:scale(FR)
                                 1.1369
                                            0.8206 83.1458
                                                              1.386 0.169593
##
## (Intercept)
                               ***
## HabitatMagerrasen
## scale(FR)
## scale(`HA (m2)`)
## scale(Distanz)
## HabitatMagerrasen:scale(FR)
## Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
## Warning in abbreviate(rn, minlength = 11): abbreviate used with non-ASCII
## chars
##
## Correlation of Fixed Effects:
## Warning in abbreviate(rn, minlength = 6): abbreviate used with non-ASCII
##
               (Intr) HbttMg sc(FR) s(`HA( scl(D)
## HabttMgrrsn -0.710
## scale(FR)
               -0.089 0.072
## sc(`HA(2)`) 0.054 -0.073 -0.053
## scal(Dstnz) 0.075 -0.085 -0.304 0.200
## HbttMg:(FR) 0.069 -0.027 -0.750 0.042 0.291
Which showed that none of the factors are significant. Habitat is also not significant in a single regression, as
long as species identity is included as a random intercept.
## Linear mixed model fit by maximum likelihood . t-tests use
     Satterthwaite's method [lmerModLmerTest]
## Formula: SSWP/n-1 ~ Habitat + (1 | Population) + (1 | Art)
##
      Data: sites$genAlpha
##
##
        AIC
                 BIC
                       logLik deviance df.resid
##
      506.8
               519.6
                       -248.4
                                 496.8
##
## Scaled residuals:
##
       Min
                1Q Median
                                3Q
                                       Max
## -2.1299 -0.5121 -0.0549 0.4621 4.7175
##
## Random effects:
## Groups
                           Variance Std.Dev.
               Name
## Population (Intercept) 0.1304 0.3612
## Art
               (Intercept) 72.8985 8.5381
## Residual
                            5.6877 2.3849
## Number of obs: 96, groups: Population, 16; Art, 12
##
## Fixed effects:
                     Estimate Std. Error
##
                                              df t value Pr(>|t|)
                                   3.505 12.030
## (Intercept)
                       18.186
                                                   5.189 0.000224 ***
                        5.530
                                   4.957 12.030
## HabitatMagerrasen
                                                   1.116 0.286378
## Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
##
```

```
## Correlation of Fixed Effects:
## (Intr)
## HabttMgrrsn -0.707
```

However, species is obviously a significant predictor for both genetic diversity. The problem is that species is perfectly collinear with habitat, and closely colinear with FR, so that it's difficult to separate these effects.

```
## Type III Analysis of Variance Table with Satterthwaite's method
## Sum Sq Mean Sq NumDF DenDF F value Pr(>F)
## Art 7709.1 700.82 11 75.813 123.25 < 2.2e-16 ***
## ---
## Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1</pre>
```

Both habitat and frequency would be significant when not controlling for species identity, but given the previous results, and the apparent collinearity between species identity and other factors, this seems statistically not sensible.

```
## boundary (singular) fit: see ?isSingular
## Linear mixed model fit by maximum likelihood . t-tests use
     Satterthwaite's method [lmerModLmerTest]
## Formula:
##
   `SSWP/n-1` ~ Habitat * scale(FR) + scale(`HA (m2)`) + scale(Distanz) +
##
       (1 | Population)
##
      Data: sites$genAlpha
##
##
        ATC
                 BTC
                       logLik deviance df.resid
##
      647.2
               667.7
                        -315.6
                                  631.2
##
## Scaled residuals:
##
        Min
                  1Q
                       Median
                                     3Q
                                             Max
   -2.66122 -0.70808 0.02347
                               0.63996
##
## Random effects:
##
   Groups
                            Variance Std.Dev.
               Name
                            0.00
                                     0.00
   Population (Intercept)
                            41.99
                                     6.48
## Number of obs: 96, groups: Population, 16
##
## Fixed effects:
##
                                 Estimate Std. Error
                                                             df t value
## (Intercept)
                                16.669891
                                            1.212008 96.000000 13.754
## HabitatMagerrasen
                                10.461055
                                            1.855476 96.000000
                                                                  5.638
## scale(FR)
                                            1.103762 96.000000
                                 3.816992
                                                                  3.458
## scale(`HA (m<sup>2</sup>)`)
                                 0.130509
                                            0.761002 96.000000
                                                                  0.171
## scale(Distanz)
                                 0.004005
                                            0.787422 96.000000
                                                                  0.005
## HabitatMagerrasen:scale(FR)
                                 4.598303
                                            1.502450 96.000000
                                                                  3.061
##
                                Pr(>|t|)
## (Intercept)
                                 < 2e-16 ***
                                1.73e-07 ***
## HabitatMagerrasen
## scale(FR)
                                0.000812 ***
## scale(`HA (m2)`)
                                0.864195
## scale(Distanz)
                                0.995952
## HabitatMagerrasen:scale(FR) 0.002865 **
## Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
```

```
## Warning in abbreviate(rn, minlength = 11): abbreviate used with non-ASCII
## chars
##
## Correlation of Fixed Effects:
## Warning in abbreviate(rn, minlength = 6): abbreviate used with non-ASCII
## chars
##
               (Intr) HbttMg sc(FR) s(`HA( scl(D)
## HabttMgrrsn -0.799
## scale(FR)
               -0.456 0.346
## sc(`HA(2)`) 0.357 -0.456 -0.039
## scal(Dstnz) 0.441 -0.503 -0.230 0.197
## HbttMg:(FR) 0.355 -0.130 -0.746 0.031 0.220
## convergence code: 0
## boundary (singular) fit: see ?isSingular
```

In fact, it seems that both the habitat effects and the frequency effects in the latter regression are essentially driven by species identity, in that some species simply have a higher diversity, or at least there are not enough species to separate between an effect of species identity, and true FR / Habitat effects.

To confirm that intuition, we additinally calculated a t-test between the average genetic diversity values per species for each habitat (n=6 for each group)

```
##
   Welch Two Sample t-test
##
##
## data: SSWP/n-1 by Habitat
## t = -1.0192, df = 8.2069, p-value = 0.3372
## alternative hypothesis: true difference in means is not equal to 0
## 95 percent confidence interval:
## -17.986717
                 6.927195
## sample estimates:
##
   mean in group Fettwiese mean in group Magerrasen
##
                   18.18584
                                            23.71560
```

The results show that habitat effects are n.s. when comparing only mean genetic diversity per species between habitat (i.e. n=6 per group).

Moreover, the colinearity between FR and Species is created by the fact that the species with higher FR range also seem to have higher genetic diversity, although there is no significant correlation between FR and genetic diversity within species.

To test if this relationship is significant, we correlated mean FR and mean genetic diversity per species

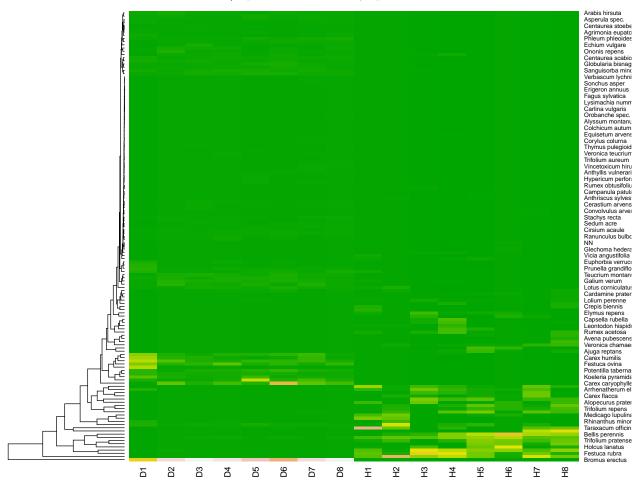
```
##
## Pearson's product-moment correlation
##
## data: x1$`SSWP/n-1` and x2$FR
## t = 2.1086, df = 10, p-value = 0.06119
## alternative hypothesis: true correlation is not equal to 0
## 95 percent confidence interval:
## -0.02807041 0.85610208
## sample estimates:
## cor
## 0.5547683
```

The relationship was again n.s. However, given the small sample size (n=12), and the general plausibility of such an effect, we would encourage future studies to look again for such an effect.

Analysis of beta diversity

Species beta

Visualization of the abundance of site / specioes, clustered by species

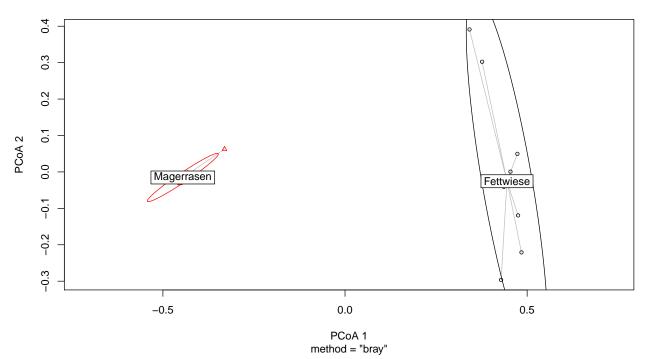


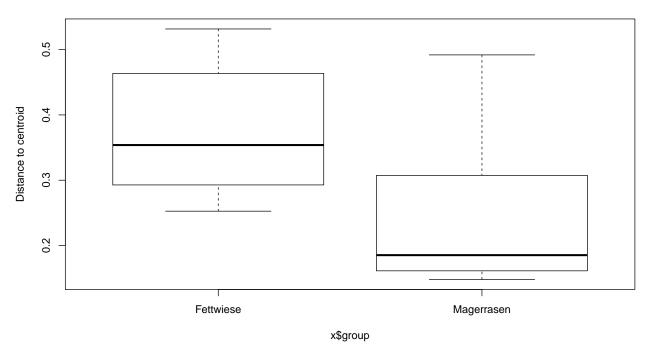
Test for genetic beta via multivariate homogeneity of group dispersions (variances)

```
##
##
    Homogeneity of multivariate dispersions
##
## Call: betadisper(d = distSpecies, group = sites$alpha$Habitat)
##
## No. of Positive Eigenvalues: 15
## No. of Negative Eigenvalues: 0
##
##
   Average distance to median:
##
    Fettwiese Magerrasen
       0.3756
                  0.2435
##
##
```

```
## Eigenvalues for PCoA axes:
## (Showing 8 of 15 eigenvalues)
            PCoA2
                   PCoA3
                           PCoA4
                                    PCoA5
                                           PCoA6
## 3.04065 0.40635 0.31489 0.23082 0.20848 0.14773 0.12665 0.07148
## Analysis of Variance Table
##
## Response: Distances
##
            Df
                 Sum Sq Mean Sq F value Pr(>F)
             1 0.069824 0.069824
                                  5.515 0.03407 *
## Groups
## Residuals 14 0.177250 0.012661
## ---
## Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
##
## Permutation test for homogeneity of multivariate dispersions
## Permutation: free
## Number of permutations: 499
##
## Response: Distances
                 Sum Sq Mean Sq
            Df
                                   F N.Perm Pr(>F)
## Groups
             1 0.069824 0.069824 5.515
                                          499 0.028 *
## Residuals 14 0.177250 0.012661
## ---
## Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
##
## Pairwise comparisons:
## (Observed p-value below diagonal, permuted p-value above diagonal)
             Fettwiese Magerrasen
## Fettwiese
                            0.024
## Magerrasen 0.034066
```

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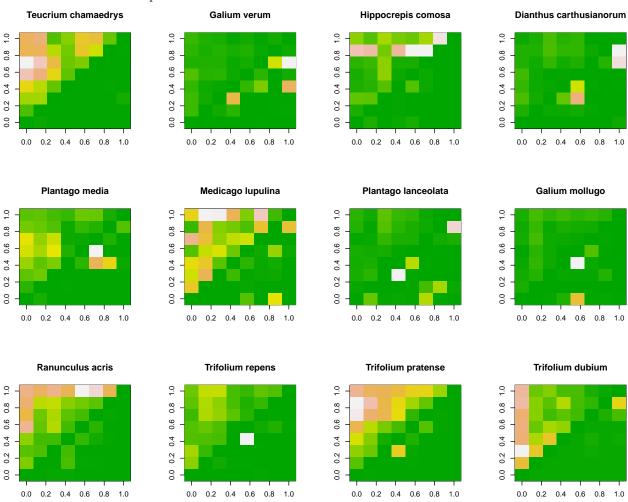
Additional Mantel test for spatial structure, separate for habitats

```
##
## Mantel statistic based on Pearson's product-moment correlation
##
## Call:
## mantel(xdis = as.matrix(distSpecies)[1:8, 1:8], ydis = sites$geoDist[1:8, 1:8], method = "pears
##
## Mantel statistic r: 0.3382
##
         Significance: 0.103
## Upper quantiles of permutations (null model):
           95% 97.5%
##
     90%
                       99%
## 0.340 0.403 0.456 0.534
## Permutation: free
## Number of permutations: 999
## Mantel statistic based on Pearson's product-moment correlation
##
## Call:
## mantel(xdis = as.matrix(distSpecies)[9:16, 9:16], ydis = sites$geoDist[9:16,
                                                                                     9:16], method = "p
## Mantel statistic r: 0.5542
##
         Significance: 0.01
##
## Upper quantiles of permutations (null model):
           95% 97.5%
     90%
                       99%
## 0.278 0.365 0.459 0.521
## Permutation: free
## Number of permutations: 999
```

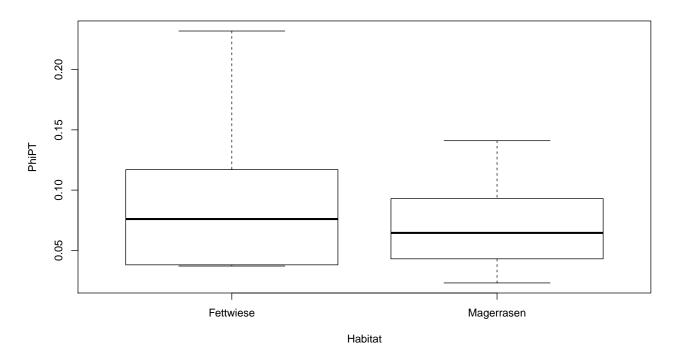
Result: FW not significant with geographic distance, but MR is probably (stronger driven by environment)

Genetic beta

Genetic turnover for all species



Regression PhiPT gegen Habitat



```
##
## lm(formula = PhiPT ~ Habitat, data = sites$genAlpha[c(1:6, 49:54),
##
      1)
##
## Residuals:
                 1Q
                      Median
                                   3Q
## -0.05900 -0.03350 -0.01475 0.02113 0.13600
## Coefficients:
##
                    Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
## (Intercept)
                     0.09600
                                0.02426
                                          3.958
                                                  0.0027 **
## HabitatMagerrasen -0.02450
                                0.03430
                                        -0.714
                                                  0.4914
## Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
##
## Residual standard error: 0.05941 on 10 degrees of freedom
## Multiple R-squared: 0.04854, Adjusted R-squared: -0.04661
## F-statistic: 0.5101 on 1 and 10 DF, p-value: 0.4914
   Welch Two Sample t-test
##
##
## data: sites$genAlpha$PhiPT[1:6] and sites$genAlpha$PhiPT[49:54]
## t = -0.71424, df = 7.9428, p-value = 0.4955
## alternative hypothesis: true difference in means is not equal to 0
## 95 percent confidence interval:
## -0.10370052 0.05470052
## sample estimates:
## mean of x mean of y
               0.0960
##
      0.0715
```

PhiPT slightly higher in MR

Mantel tests to test for spatial signal in genetic diversity

```
## [1] 0.160 0.192 0.030 0.020 0.003 0.041
## [1] 0.002 0.012 0.468 0.090 0.029 0.095
```

Result: again, FW are all n.s., but so is MR (only one species significant), potentially slightly higher spatial effects in MR

Analysis of gamma diversity

We can only consider species gamma, there is no measure of genetic gamma diversity.

```
countsFW = apply(sites$community[1:8,],2, sum)
countsMR = apply(sites$community[9:16,],2, sum)
sum(countsFW > 0)

## [1] 92
sum(countsMR > 0)
## [1] 70
```

Result: FW has higher diversity