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#### **Abstract**

- 1. Ecologists/biologists and all sorts of other gists often have lots of questions about lots of stuff
- 2. We evaluated a bunch of things using sophisticated methods, a ridiculously complicated study design and then carried out complicated statistical tests
- 3. We discovered a bunch of things that we didn't already know but suspected
- 4. Our research has greatly advanced our knowledge about stuff and will make a significant contribution to something and someone at some point in time
- 24 **Key-words**: stuff, something, things

#### Introduction

#### 26 An example of adding citations in RMarkdown...

- <sup>27</sup> Ecologists have long recognized that some combinations of species are regularly found together, while other combi-
- nations occur infrequently (Elton 1946; Cole 1949).
- 29 The above format wraps the citation in brackets but if you want to reference the authors by name instead of just as a
- citation you can use this format instead (i.e., no square brackets around the cite key)
- Cole (1949) and Elton (1946) both found that blah blah blah

#### Methods

- To evaluate the ...
- As with Pielou's Evenness (Pielou & Pielou 1967), Shannon's diversity index (Shannon 1948)(H) is normally calcu-
- lated from species abundance values; however, for our purposes it is calculated from the column totals (species richness
- per sample) using the following equation...

$$H_x = -S[P(i_x) \times ln(P(i_x))]$$

- where x denotes which set of values we are using to calculate the index (observed, minimal or maximal), and  $P(i_x)$
- is the proportion of species that occur in each sample (i).
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- it is simply the number of \$ symbols before and after that differentiates between the two. An excellent (and simple)
- guide on inserting math into your R Markdown documents can be found here:
- https://rpruim.github.io/s341/S19/from-class/MathinRmd.html
- 43 Statistical analyses were carried out in R 3.4.0 (R Core Team 2017). All code along with the simulation algorithms
- used are available on Zenodo / GitHub https://link\_to\_archived\_release\_or\_GitHub.com.

### 45 Results

## Discussion

### 47 References

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## 53 Tables

Table 1. Mean body mass of penguins on different islands over time.

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- ing the flextable package instead: https://taehoonh.me/content/post/alternative-to-kable-function-when-knitting-
- to-ms-word.html

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Biscoe	2,008	4,628.125
Biscoe	2,009	4,792.797
Dream	2,007	3,684.239
Dream	2,008	3,779.412
Dream	2,009	3,691.477
Torgersen	2,007	3,763.158
Torgersen	2,008	3,856.250
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## 59 Figure Captions

- Figure 1. Pretty coloured dots about penguins
- Figure 2. Wow, even prettier plot about penguins that shows stuff

# 62 Figures

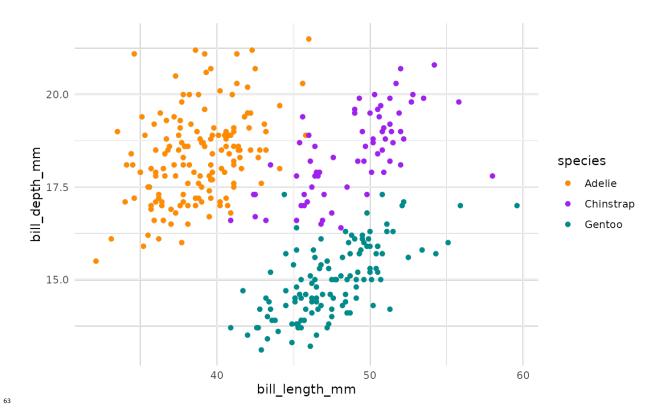


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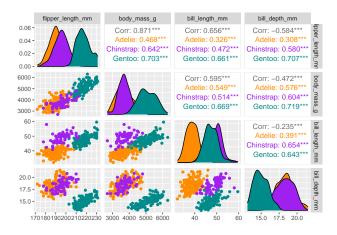


Figure 1: Wow, even prettier plot about penguins that shows stuff.

Figure 2.

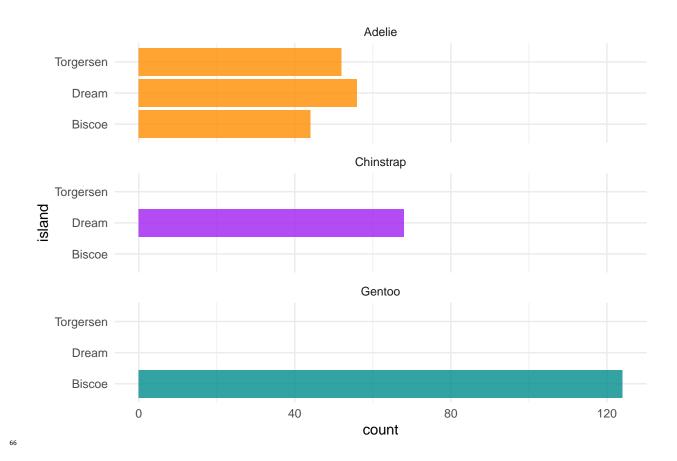


Figure 3.

68 Appendices