

iNEXT: An R package for interpolation and extrapolation in measuring species diversity

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Agenda

- What is species diversity?
- Why we need interpolation and extrapolation?
- Demo and case study.
- Intro to shiny, a web app for R.

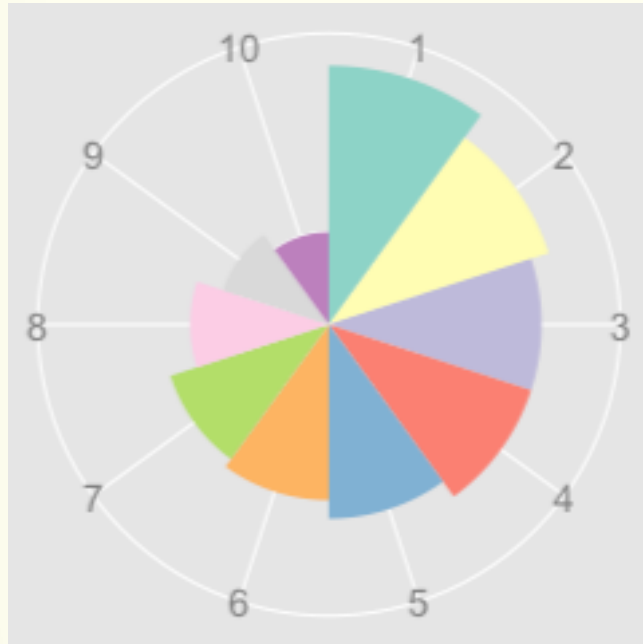
What is species diversity?

- **Species diversity** is defined as the number of species and abundance of each species in a given community
- The number of species that live in a certain location, **species richness** is the most widely used diversity measure.
- The **effective number of species** refers to the number of equally abundant species needed to obtain the same mean proportional species abundance observed in the dataset of interest.

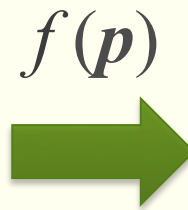


Chao and Jost (2012, Ecology Vol. 93)

Effective transform



10 different abundant species



10 equally abundant species

Effective number (Hill 1973)

$${}^qD = \left(\sum_{i=1}^S p_i^q \right)^{1/(1-q)}$$

- If ${}^qD = x$, the value is equivalent to that of an idealized assemblage with x equally abundant species, $x = [x \cdot (1/x)^q]^{1/(1-q)}$
- The parameter q determines the sensitivity of the relative frequencies

Order	$q = 0$	$q = 1$	$q = 2$
✓ Name	✓ Richness	✓ exp(Shannon entropy)	✓ 1 / (Simpson index)
✓ Sensitive to	✓ All species	✓ Typical species	✓ Dominant species

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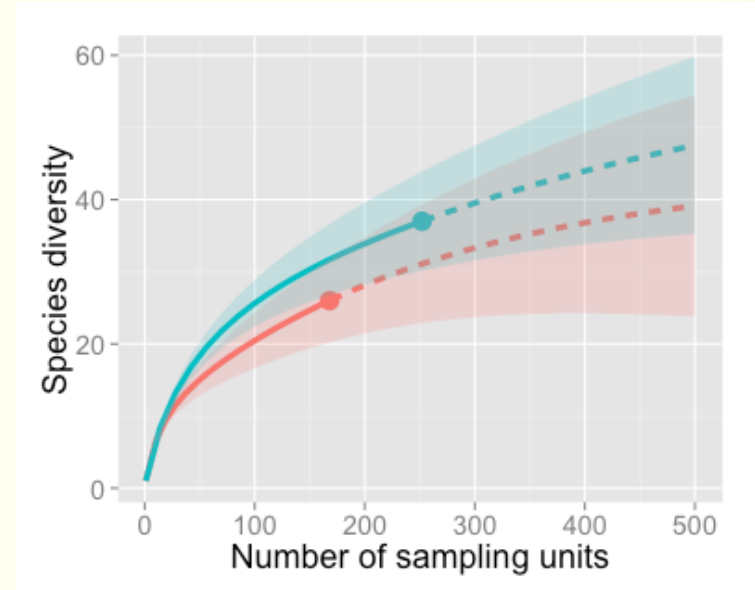
$${}^qD(m) \approx \left[\sum_{X_i > 0} \left(\frac{X_i}{m} \right)^q \right]^{1/(1-q)},$$

where $\sum_{X_i > 0} X_i = m.$

The effective number with sample of size m .

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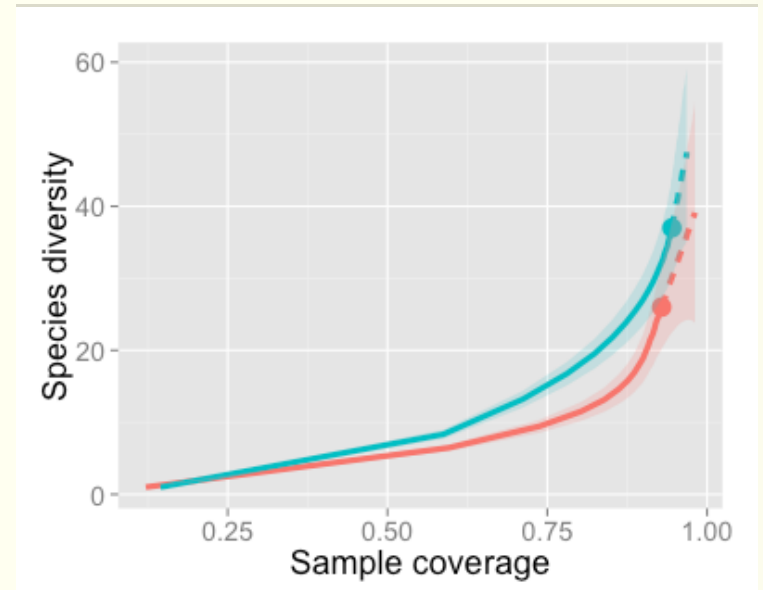
$$C(m) = \sum_{i=1}^S p_i I(X_i > 0) \\ \approx \sum_{i=1}^S p_i [1 - (1 - p_i)^m]$$

Coverage is defined as the total relative abundances of the observed species

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Demo and case study



- Install iNEXT package from github and import package

```
install.packages('devtools')  
library(devtools)  
install_github('iNEXT', 'JohnsonHsieh')  
library(iNEXT)
```

- Run the demo

```
data(spider)  
out <- iNEXT(spider, q=0, datatype="abundance", endpoint=500)  
ggiNEXT(out, type=1, color.var="site", facet.var="site")  
ggiNEXT(out, type=2, color.var="site", facet.var="site")  
ggiNEXT(out, type=3, color.var="site", facet.var="site")
```

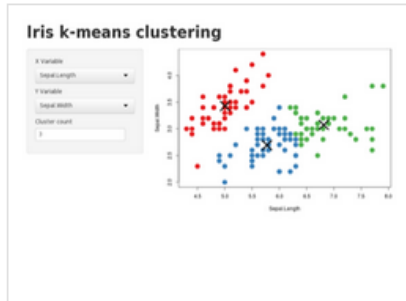
Intro to shiny

“Let R user become web application designer without HTML, CSS, or JavaScript”

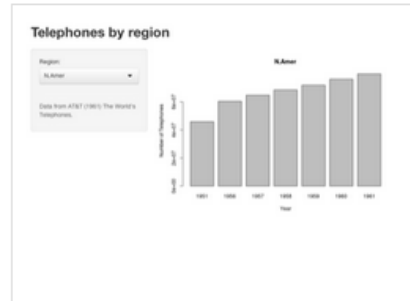


Start simple

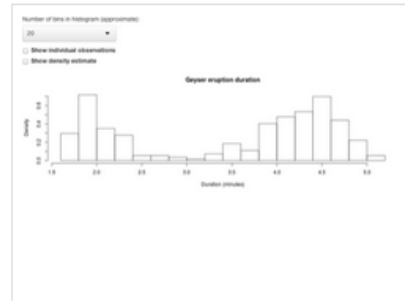
If you're new to Shiny, these simple but complete applications are designed for you to study.



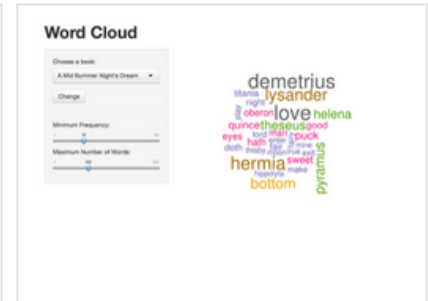
Kmeans example



Telephones by region



Faithful



Word cloud

Shiny Cheat Sheet

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Shiny 0.10.0 Updated: 6/14



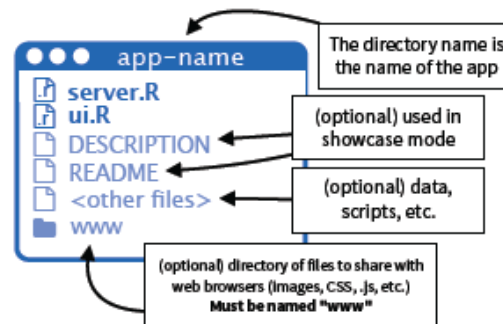
2. server.R

A set of instructions that build the R components of your app. To write server.R:

- Provide server.R with the minimum necessary code, **shinyServer(function(input, output) {})**
- Define the R components for your app between the braces that follow **function(input, output)**
- Save each R component in your UI as **output\$<component name>**
- Create each output component with a render* function.
- Give each render* function the R code the server needs to build the component. The server will note any reactive values that appear in the code and will rebuild the component whenever these values change.
- Refer to widget values with **input\$<widget name>**

1. Structure

Each app is a directory that contains a server.R file and usually a ui.R file (plus optional extra files)



server.R

```
# load libraries, scripts, data

A shinyServer(function(input, output) {B

  # make user specific variables

  output$text <- renderText({
    input$title
  })

  C output$plot <- renderPlot({
    x <- mtcars[, input$x] F
    y <- mtcars[, input$y]
    plot(x, y, pch = 16)
  })

})
```

3. Execution

Place code where it will be run the minimum necessary number of times

Run once - code placed *outside* of shinyServer will be run once, when you first launch your app. Use this code to set up the tools that your server will only need one copy of.

Run once per user - code placed *inside* shinyServer will be run once each time a user visits your app (or refreshes his or her browser). Use this code to set up the tools that your server will need a unique copy of for each user.

Run often - code placed within a render*, reactive, or observe function will be run many times. Place here only the code that the server needs to rebuild a UI component after a widget changes.

4. Reactivity

When an input changes, the server will rebuild each output that depends on it (even if the dependence is indirect). You can control this behavior by shaping the chain of dependence.

render* - An output will automatically update whenever an input in its render* function changes.

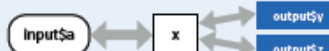
Reactive expression - use reactive to create objects that will be used in multiple outputs.

Isolate - use use Isolate to use an input without depending on it. Shiny will not rebuild the output when the isolated input changes.

observe - use observe to create code that runs when an input changes, but does not create an output object.

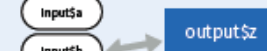


```
output$z <- renderText({
  input$a
})
```



```
x <- reactive({
  input$a
})

output$y <- renderText({
  x()
})
output$z <- renderText({
  x()
})
```



```
output$z <- renderText({
  paste(
    isolate(input$a),
    input$b
  )
})
```



```
observe({
  input$a
  # code to run
})
```

ui.R

A shinyUI(fluidPage()

```
titlePanel("mtcars data"),
B sidebarLayout(
  sidebarPanel(
    C textInput("title", "Plot title:",
      value = "x v y"),

    selectInput("x", "Choose an x var:",
      choices = names(mtcars),
      selected = "disp"),

    selectInput("y", "Choose a y var:",
      choices = names(mtcars),
      selected = "mpg")
  ),

  mainPanel(
    h3(textOutput("text")),
    plotOutput("plot")
  )
)
))
```

C In each panel or column, place...



R components - These are the output objects that you defined in **server.R**. To place a component:

1. Select the ***Output** function that builds the type of object you want to place in the UI.
2. Pass the ***Output** function a character string that corresponds to the name you assigned the object in **server.R**, e.g.

output\$plot <- renderPlot({ ... }) ↔ plotOutput("plot")

*Output functions

dataTableOutput	tableOutput
htmlOutput	textOutput
ImageOutput	uiOutput
plotOutput	verbatimTextOutput

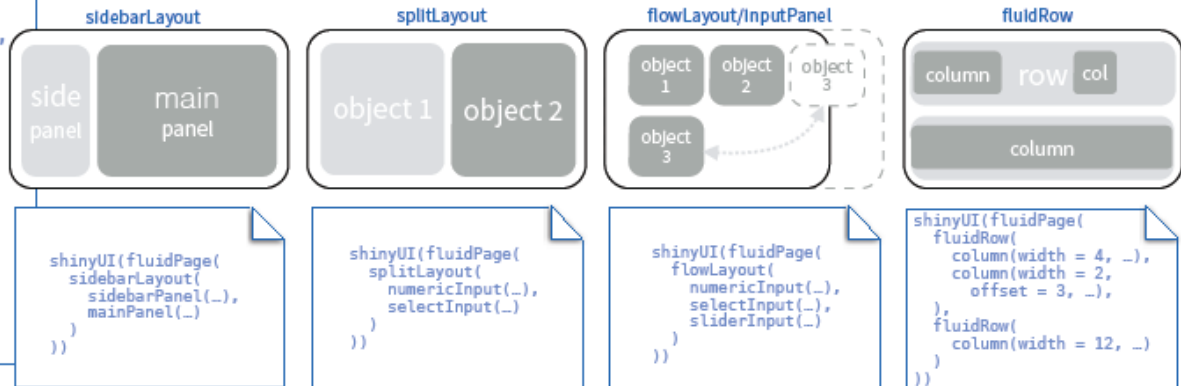
5. ui.R

A description of your app's User Interface (UI), the web page that displays your app.
To write ui.R:

A Include the minimum necessary code for ui.R, shinyUI(fluidPage())

* note use **navbarPage** instead of **fluidPage** if you'd like your app to have multiple pages connected by a navbar

B Build a layout for your UI. sidebarLayout provides a default layout when used with sidebarPanel and mainPanel. splitLayout, flowLayout, and inputLayout divide the page into equally spaced regions. fluidRow and column work together to create a grid-based layout, which you can use to layout a page or a panel.



Widgets - The first argument of each widget function is the **<name>** for the widget. You can access a widget's current value in **server.R** with **Input\$<name>**



HTML elements - Add html elements with shiny functions that parallel common HTML tags.

widget	function	common arguments
Action button	actionButton	inputId, label
checkbox	checkboxInput	inputId, label, value
checkbox group	checkboxGroupInput	inputId, label, choices, selected
date selector	dateInput	inputId, label, value, min, max, format
date range selector	dateRangeInput	inputId, label, start, end, min, max, format
file uploader	fileInput	inputId, label, multiple
Number field	numericInput	inputId, label, value, min, max, step
Radio buttons	radioButtons	inputId, label, choices, selected
select box	selectInput	inputId, label, choices, selected, multiple
slider	sliderInput	inputId, label, min, max, value, step
submit button	submitButton	text
text field	textInput	inputId, label, value

tags\$col	tags\$colgroup	tags\$command	tags\$div	tags\$div	tags\$div
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6. Run your app

runApp - run from local files

runGitHub - run from files hosted on www.github.com

runGist - run from files saved as a gist (gist.github.com)

runURL - run from files saved at any URL



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Shiny Server

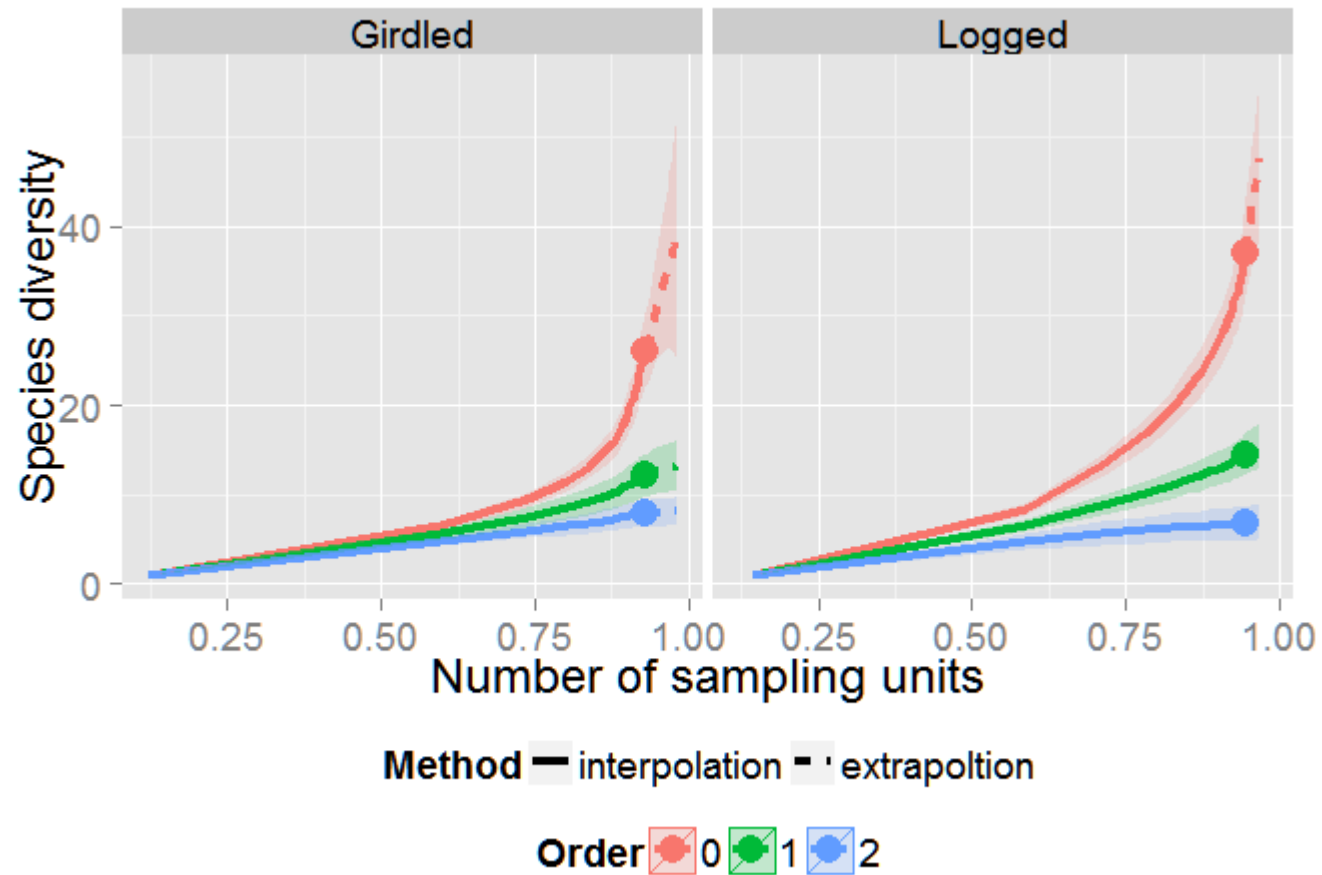
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Shiny Server Pro

Build a commercial server with authentication, resource management, and more.
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