

Correlations

Introduction to Quantitative Ecology

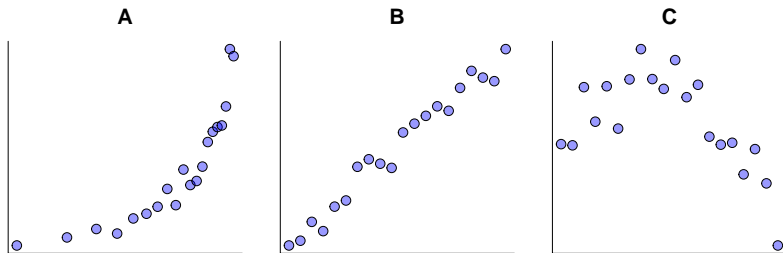
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Group evaluations

1. We would *not* use the Spearman's rank test to calculate a correlation coefficient - which one?



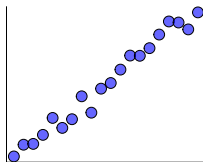
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2. For her PhD, Eugene is studying the effects of annual temperature on American robin reproductive success (number of eggs hatched). What is the *dependent* variable?
- A) American robin
 - B) Eugene
 - C) Temperature
 - D) Number of eggs

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3. What is the most likely Pearson's correlation coefficient (r) for this relationship?

- A) 0.90
- B) 0.09
- C) -0.9
- D) -0.09



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4. What is the slope in this equation of a straight line?

$$y = mx + c$$

- A) y
- B) m
- C) x
- D) c

5. Which of the following is *polynomial* relationship?

A) $y = ax + c$

B) $y = ax + bx^2 + c$

C) $y = \log(ax) + c$

D) $y = c$

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- ▶ What are examples of correlations?
- ▶ Why would we be interested in correlations?

