

# Investigating fiddler crabs

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## Introduction

This is about Atlantic marsh fiddler crab (*Minuca pugnax*) study based in the Plum Island Ecosystem LTER network (Johnson et al. 2019).

## Methods

Here is an in-text citation (Horst and Brun 2023)

## Field sites

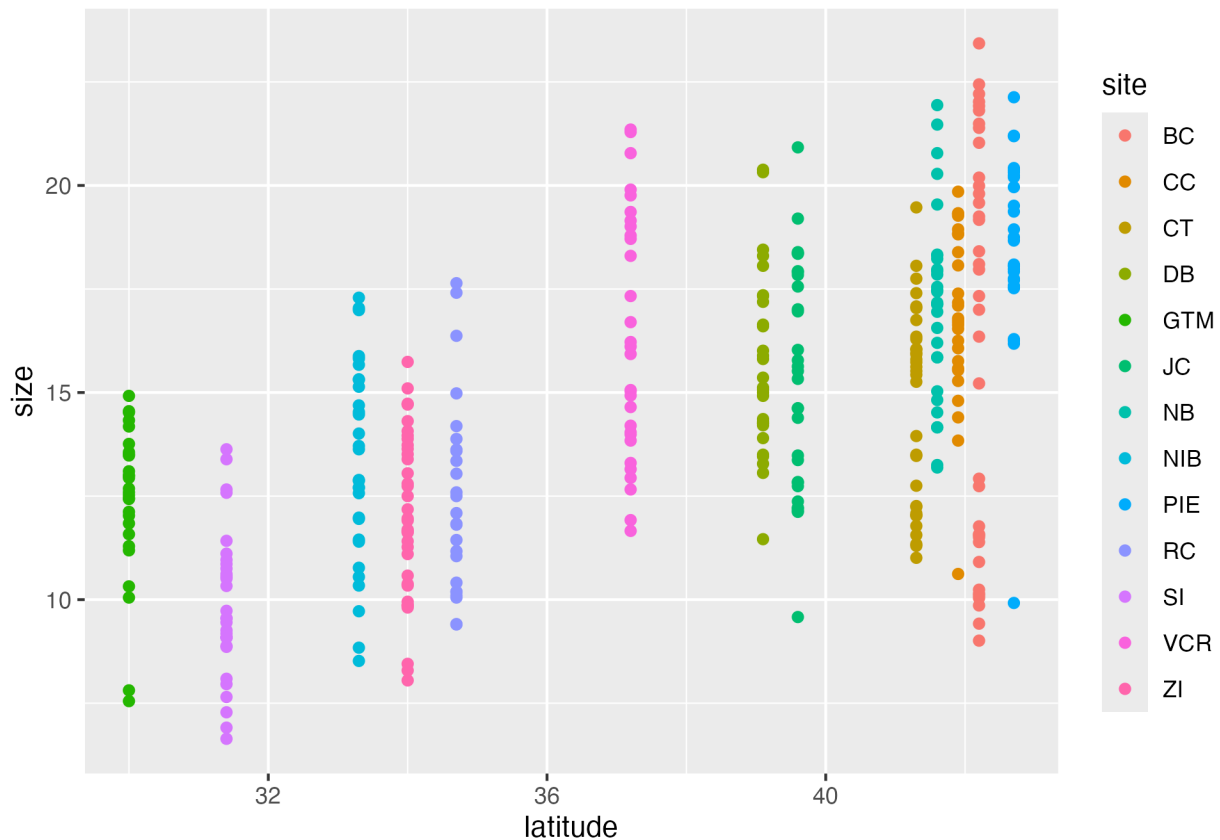
The field site was in the Atlantic coast of the United States (Johnson et al. 2019).

## Data analysis

We used R Core Team (2025)'s RStudio and the multiple \$ packages for data analysis (Wickham et al. 2019, Firke 2024, Ushey and Wickham 2025).

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## Results



## Discussion

Overall, we found that as latitude increases, the size of the crabs also increases.

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