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## Results obtained for the TTMs with D = 1, 2, or 3.

The correlation coefficients  $(\rho)$  between predicted and observed trophic interaction strengths with increasing number of predictive dimensions.

D=3

$D_c$	dimensions fixed at	dimensions	correlation coefficients (ρ)	
	best fitting values	permuted randomly	two-sided 95%	actually found
1	-	1, 2, 3	-0.299 - 0.283	0.655
2	1	2, 3	0.356 - 0.614	0.655
3	1, 2	3	0.655 - 0.655	0.655

## D=2

$D_c$	dimensions fixed at	dimensions	correlation coefficients (ρ)	
	best fitting values	permuted randomly	two-sided 95% confidence interval <sup>a</sup>	actually found in 2D model <sup>b</sup>
1	-	1, 2	-0.290 - 0.286	0.656
2	1	2	-0.045 - 0.493	0.656

D=1

$D_c$	dimensions fixed at	dimensions	correlation coefficients (ρ)	
	best fitting values	permuted randomly	two-sided 95% confidence interval <sup>a</sup>	actually found
1	-	1	-0.283 - 0.291	0.140