# Assessing pathogen invasion based on community evenness and metabolic similarity.

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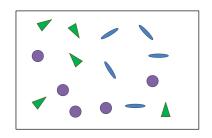
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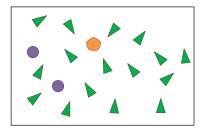
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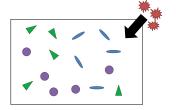
Relate pathogen invasion to similarity-based diversity





## Methodology

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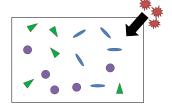


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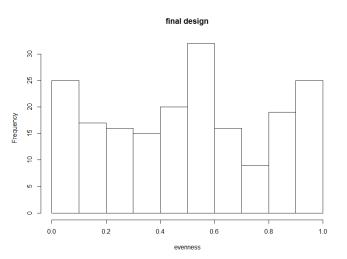


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- Data from invasion experiments
- Evaluate similarity-based diversity

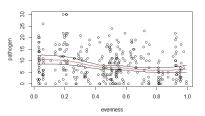
## Labwork: Experimental Design



- Stratified and random design
- Test for evenness effect

#### Lab Results

#### **Negative Binomial Regression**



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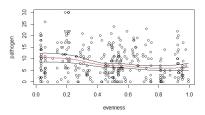
#### **Negative Binomial Regression**

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glm.nb(formula = pathogen ~ ., data = df, init.theta = 1.325429331, link = log)

Coefficients:

Estimate Std. Error z value Pr(>|z|)

(Intercept) 5.474 0.7227 7.574 3.61e-14 ***
evenness -0.952 0.1725 -5.522 3.36e-08 ***
cellcount -0.499 0.1159 -4.310 1.63e-05 ***
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- Higher evenness decreases potential for pathogen invasion
- Worked with four pathogen, only one was significant

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$$q = 2$$

$$^{2}D = \text{inverse Simpson}$$

## Similarity-based Diversity (Leinster and Cobbold, 2012)

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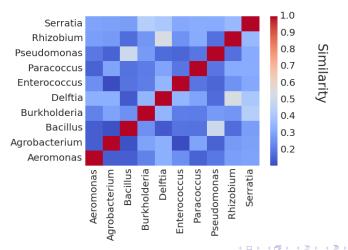
$${}^qD^{\mathbf{Z}}(\mathbf{p}) = \Big(\sum p_i(\mathbf{Z}\mathbf{p})_i^{q-1}\Big)^{\frac{1}{1-q}},$$

where q is the community's order and  $q \neq 1$  (but its limit  $q \rightarrow 1$  exists) so that

$$(\mathbf{Z}\mathbf{p})_i = \sum_{i=1}^S Z_{ij} p_j.$$

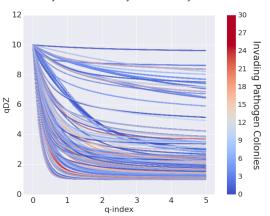
### **Example Similarity Matrix**

## Example Similarity matrix: co-occurence in ecosystems (Chaffron et al., 2010)



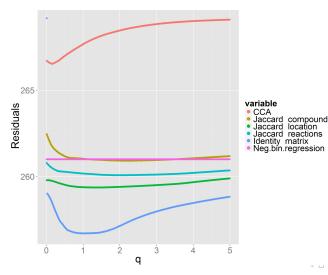
#### Similarity-based diversity for invasion experiments

Similarity-based diversity with identity matrix



- less diverse communities have more invasion
- $q \rightarrow 0$  : sensitive to rare species
- $q \rightarrow \infty$  : stresses relative abundance

#### Finding optimal q for predicting invasion potential

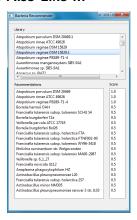


- Shannon diversity is best
- No similarity adequatly describes invasion

## Recommender Engine

#### "Bacteria Who Like These bacteria Also Like ... '

- Finding suitable matches between bacteria
- Based on co-occurence in ecosystems (Chaffron et al., 2010)
- Assembling communities very intensive
- A recommender engine can decrease workload



#### Conclusion

#### Similarity-based index

- Similarity-based diversity helps the statistical analysis of pathogen invasion
- Shannon diversity is most optimal to describe pathogen invasion
- Similarity information can help in design of experiments

#### Recommender Engine

Recommendations can decrease workload in the lab

## Thank you for your attention!

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