

# Multivariate Analysis

## II: Constrained Ordination

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## Multivariate Analysis and Ordination

- Basic ordination methods to simplify multivariate data into low dimensional graphics
- Analysis of multivariate dependence and hypotheses
- Analyses can be performed in **R** statistical software using **vegan** package and allies
- Course homepage <http://cc.oulu.fi/~jarioksa/opetus/metodi/>
- **Vegan** homepage <https://github.com/vegandevs/vegan/>

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- Model Choice
- Permutation Test
- Partial Analysis

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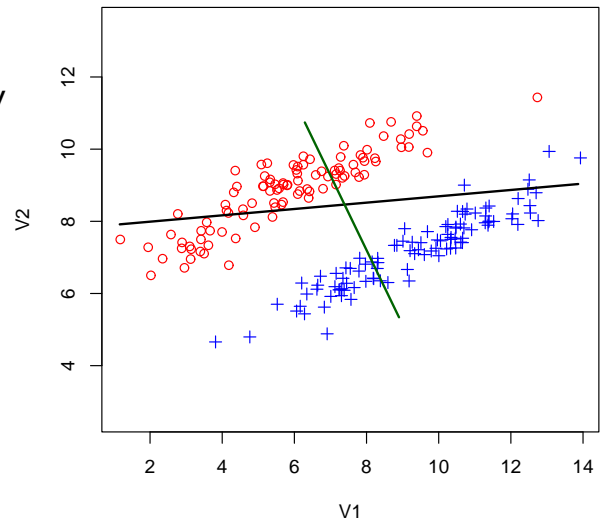
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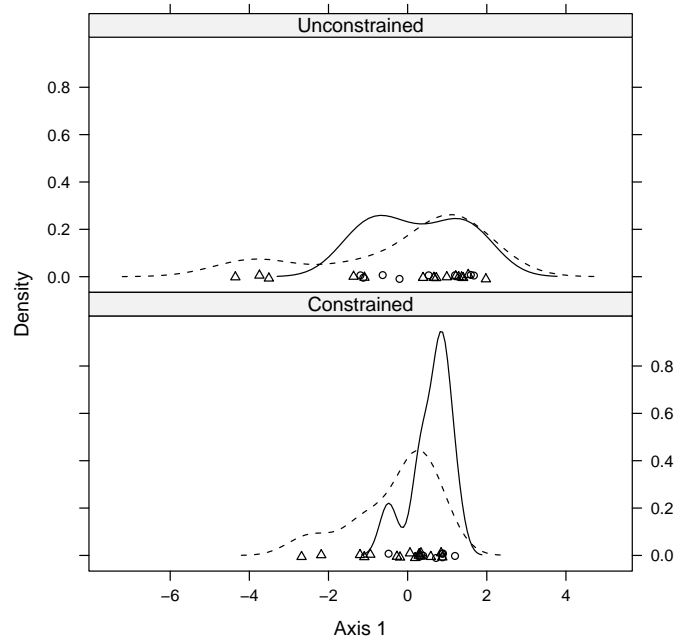
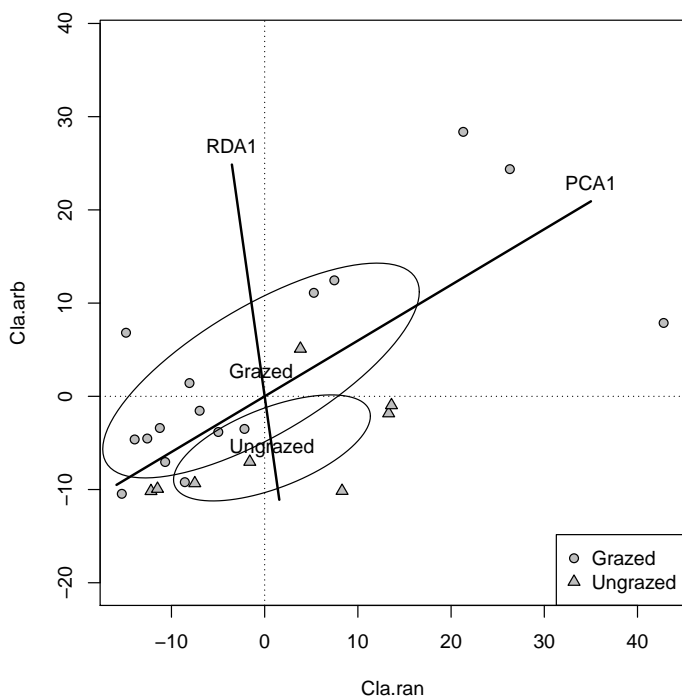
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# Constrained vs. Unconstrained

- Unconstrained ordination tries to display the variation in data.
- Constrained ordination tries to display only the variation that can be explained with constraining variables.
- You can only observe things that you have measured.

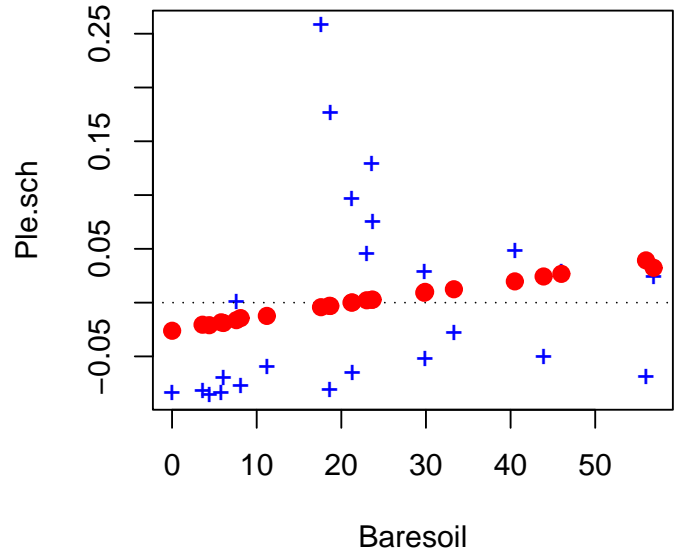
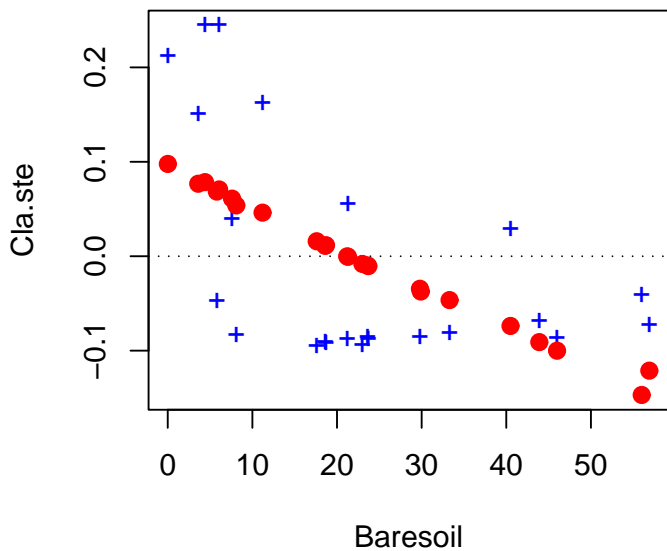


## The Idea of Constrained Ordination: Application



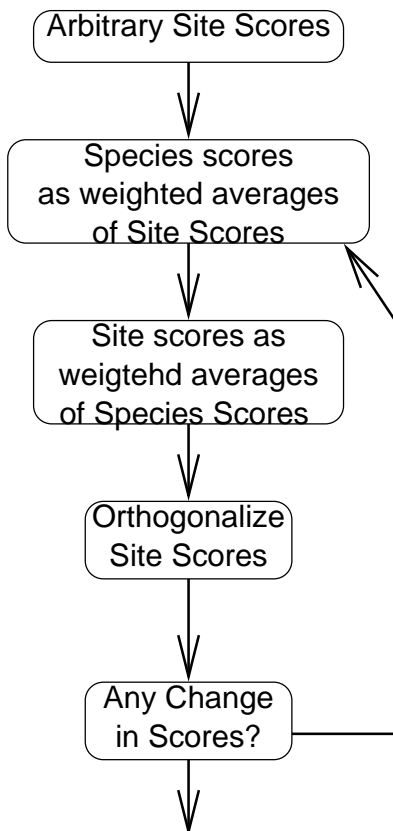
# Constrained CA

- 1 Fit weighted linear regression to all species individually using all constraints as explanatory variables
- 2 Analyse fitted values using CA

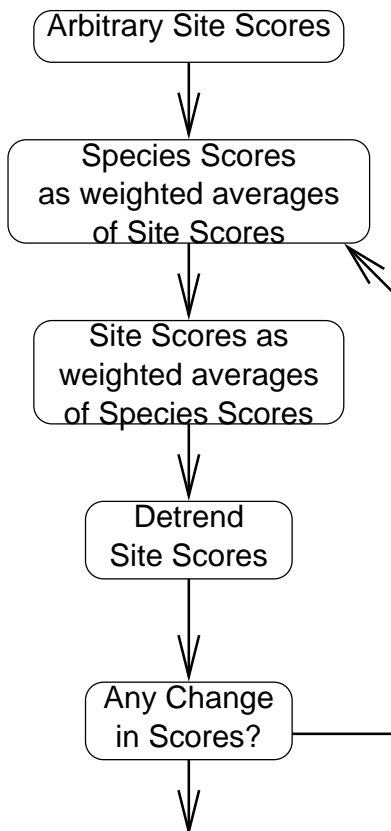


## Alternative Algorithm: Alternate Regression and WA

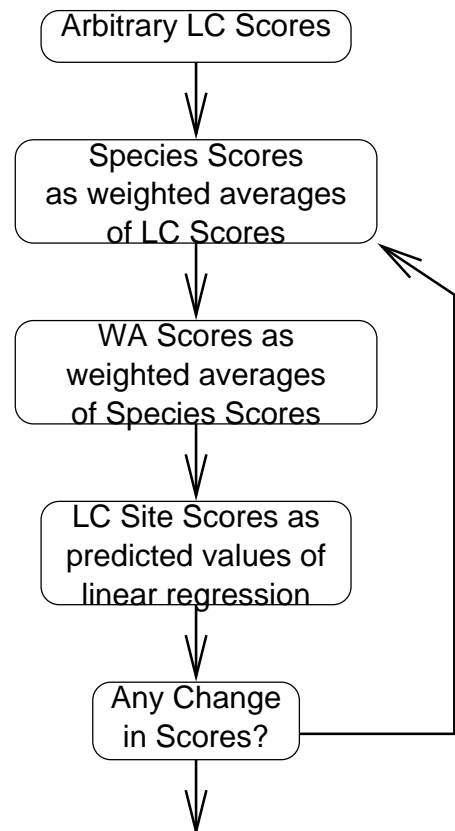
### CA



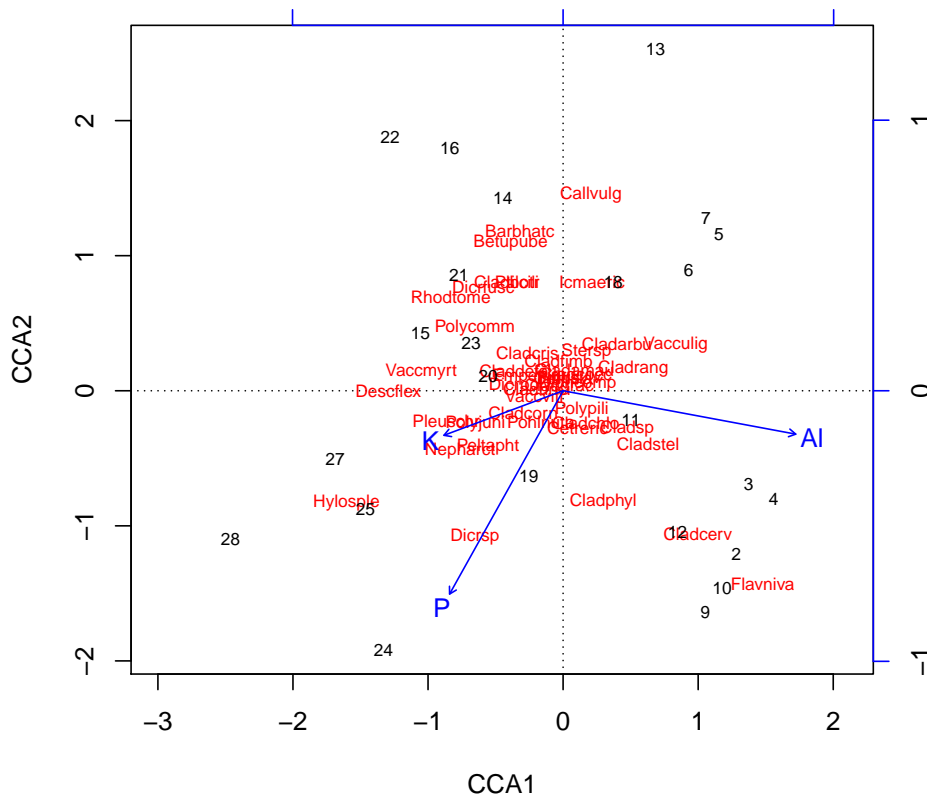
### DCA



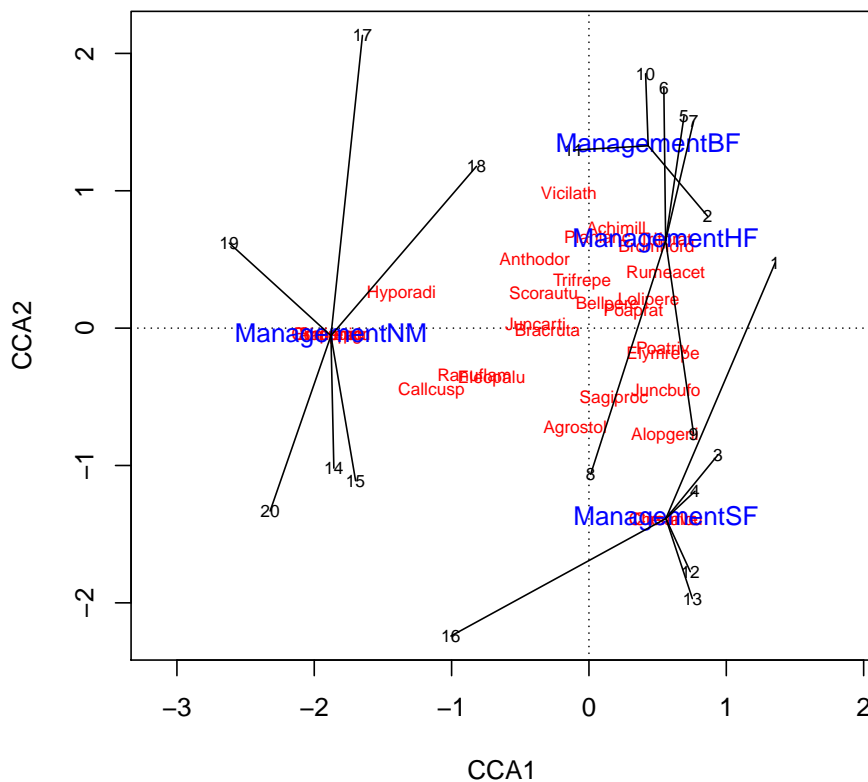
### CCA



# Example: Continuous Constraints



# Example: Class Constraints



# Constrained Ordination

- 1 Distance-based Redundancy Analysis (db-RDA) in function `capscale` is related to metric multidimensional scaling (`cmdscale`). It can handle any dissimilarity measures and performs a linear mapping.
- 2 Redundancy analysis (RDA) in function `rda` is related to principal components analysis. It is based on Euclidean distances and performs linear mapping.
- 3 Constrained correspondence analysis (CCA) in function `cca` is related to correspondence analysis. It is based on Chi-squared distances and performs weighted linear mapping.

## Running CCA I

```
> (ord <- cca(varespec, varechem))
```

```
Call: cca(X = varespec, Y = varechem)
```

	Inertia	Proportion	Rank
Total	2.083	1.000	
Constrained	1.441	0.692	14
Unconstrained	0.642	0.308	9

Inertia is mean squared contingency coefficient

Eigenvalues for constrained axes:

CCA1	CCA2	CCA3	CCA4	CCA5	CCA6	CCA7	CCA8	CCA9	CCA10
0.439	0.292	0.163	0.142	0.118	0.089	0.070	0.058	0.031	0.013
CCA11	CCA12	CCA13	CCA14						
0.008	0.007	0.006	0.005						

Eigenvalues for unconstrained axes:

CA1	CA2	CA3	CA4	CA5	CA6	CA7	CA8	CA9
0.1978	0.1419	0.1012	0.0708	0.0533	0.0333	0.0189	0.0151	0.0095

```
> head(summary(ord), 3)
```

# Running CCA II

Call:

```
cca(X = varespec, Y = varechem)
```

Partitioning of mean squared contingency coefficient:

	Inertia	Proportion
Total	2.083	1.000
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Eigenvalues, and their contribution to the mean squared contingency coefficient

Importance of components:

	CCA1	CCA2	CCA3	CCA4	CCA5	CCA6
Eigenvalue	0.439	0.292	0.1628	0.1421	0.1180	0.0890
Proportion Explained	0.211	0.140	0.0782	0.0682	0.0566	0.0427
Cumulative Proportion	0.211	0.351	0.4289	0.4971	0.5537	0.5965
	CCA7	CCA8	CCA9	CCA10	CCA11	
Eigenvalue	0.0703	0.0584	0.0311	0.01329	0.00836	
Proportion Explained	0.0337	0.0280	0.0149	0.00638	0.00402	
Cumulative Proportion	0.6302	0.6583	0.6732	0.67958	0.68359	
	CCA12	CCA13	CCA14	CA1	CA2	
Eigenvalue	0.00654	0.00616	0.00473	0.1978	0.1419	

# Running CCA III

Proportion Explained	0.00314	0.00296	0.00227	0.0949	0.0681
Cumulative Proportion	0.68673	0.68969	0.69196	0.7869	0.8550
	CA3	CA4	CA5	CA6	CA7
Eigenvalue	0.1012	0.0708	0.0533	0.0333	0.01887
Proportion Explained	0.0486	0.0340	0.0256	0.0160	0.00906
Cumulative Proportion	0.9036	0.9376	0.9631	0.9791	0.98820
	CA8	CA9			
Eigenvalue	0.01510	0.00949			
Proportion Explained	0.00725	0.00455			
Cumulative Proportion	0.99545	1.00000			

Accumulated constrained eigenvalues

Importance of components:

	CCA1	CCA2	CCA3	CCA4	CCA5	CCA6
Eigenvalue	0.439	0.292	0.163	0.1421	0.1180	0.0890
Proportion Explained	0.304	0.202	0.113	0.0986	0.0818	0.0618
Cumulative Proportion	0.304	0.507	0.620	0.7184	0.8003	0.8620
	CCA7	CCA8	CCA9	CCA10	CCA11	
Eigenvalue	0.0703	0.0584	0.0311	0.01329	0.00836	
Proportion Explained	0.0488	0.0405	0.0216	0.00922	0.00580	
Cumulative Proportion	0.9108	0.9513	0.9729	0.98211	0.98791	
	CCA12	CCA13	CCA14			

# Running CCA IV

Eigenvalue	0.00654	0.00616	0.00473
Proportion Explained	0.00454	0.00427	0.00328
Cumulative Proportion	0.99245	0.99672	1.00000

Scaling 2 for species and site scores

\* Species are scaled proportional to eigenvalues

\* Sites are unscaled: weighted dispersion equal on all dimensions

Species scores

	CCA1	CCA2	CCA3	CCA4	CCA5	CCA6
Callvulg	0.0753	-0.9358	1.6777	0.696	1.078	-0.3450
Empenigr	-0.1813	0.0761	0.0365	-0.428	-0.138	0.0105
Rhodtome	-1.0535	-0.0603	0.0774	-0.939	-0.214	-0.5180
....						

Site scores (weighted averages of species scores)

	CCA1	CCA2	CCA3	CCA4	CCA5	CCA6
18	0.178	-1.060	-0.409	-0.607	-0.565	0.242

# Running CCA V

15	-0.970	-0.197	0.421	0.303	0.152	0.804
24	-1.280	0.476	-2.947	0.393	3.954	0.766
....						

Site constraints (linear combinations of constraining variables)

	CCA1	CCA2	CCA3	CCA4	CCA5	CCA6
18	-0.423	-1.325	-0.492	-0.945	-0.0485	0.940
15	-0.190	0.497	0.455	-0.530	-0.0766	-0.790
24	-0.863	0.252	-2.760	0.570	3.2927	0.263
....						

Biplot scores for constraining variables

	CCA1	CCA2	CCA3	CCA4	CCA5	CCA6
N	-0.223	-0.5287	0.00685	0.1778	-0.25359	0.10258
P	-0.319	0.5790	-0.16203	0.4795	0.18418	-0.12198
K	-0.366	0.3080	0.35983	0.4795	0.32551	-0.19676
Ca	-0.448	0.4218	-0.03779	0.0982	0.30808	0.04346
Mg	-0.435	0.3407	-0.14216	0.1080	0.49788	-0.00570



# Running CCA VI

S	-0.024	0.4159	0.14840	0.4446	0.59712	-0.16631
Al	0.770	-0.0477	0.03755	0.3909	0.16111	-0.33702
Fe	0.649	-0.0886	-0.04218	0.2627	-0.06955	-0.11188
Mn	-0.722	0.2247	0.11306	0.2916	-0.13870	0.18055
Zn	-0.358	0.3352	-0.27789	0.3460	0.61920	-0.00103
Mo	0.205	-0.1028	-0.15689	0.3250	0.51625	-0.31305
Baresoil	-0.537	-0.2538	0.13751	-0.5202	0.16592	-0.35143
Humdepth	-0.697	0.2023	0.27184	-0.1353	-0.00363	-0.05074
pH	0.497	0.0744	-0.32666	0.0203	-0.14517	-0.05996

## Numbers

- Eigenvalues and axis scores like in unconstrained ordination
- Eigenvalues should be lower than in unconstrained analysis, or constraints had no effect
- Components separately for constrained (explained) and unconstrained (residual) variation
- Four kind of scores
  - ① Species scores derived from site (LC) scores
  - ② Site scores which are linear components of constraints: **LC Scores**
  - ③ Site scores derived from species scores: **WA Scores**
  - ④ Scores for constraints: arrowheads for continuous variables (**biplot scores**) and centroids of factor levels
- Species–environment correlation: correlation between WA and LC scores

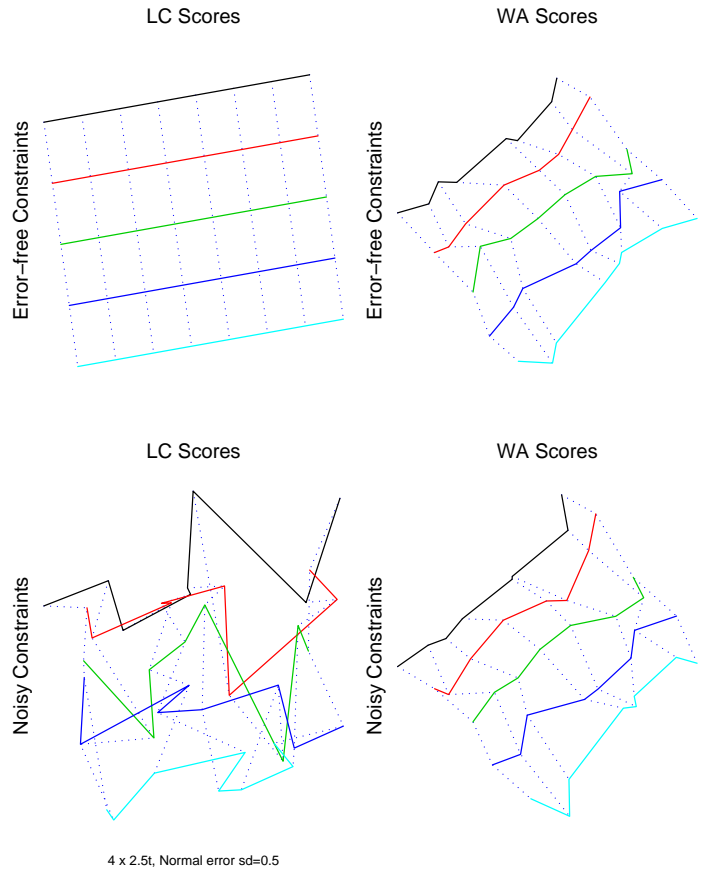
# WA or LC Scores?

## Mike Palmer:

- Use LC scores, because they give the best fit with the environment, and WA scores are a step from CCA towards CA.

## Bruce McCune:

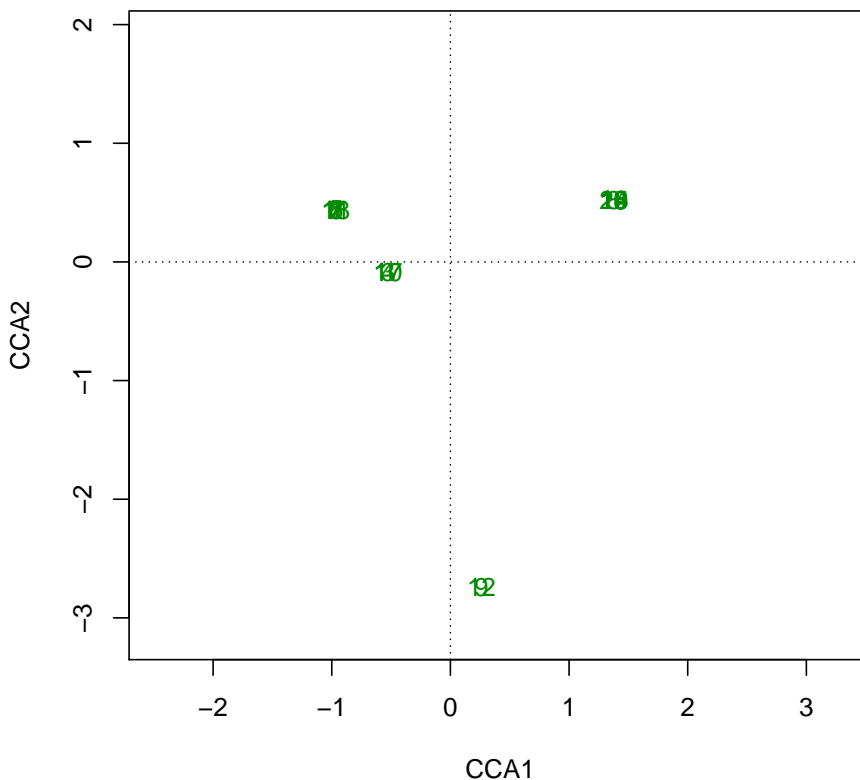
- LC scores are excellent, if you have no error in constraining variables. Even with small error, LC scores become miserable, but WA scores are good even in noisy data.



## LC Scores are Constraints

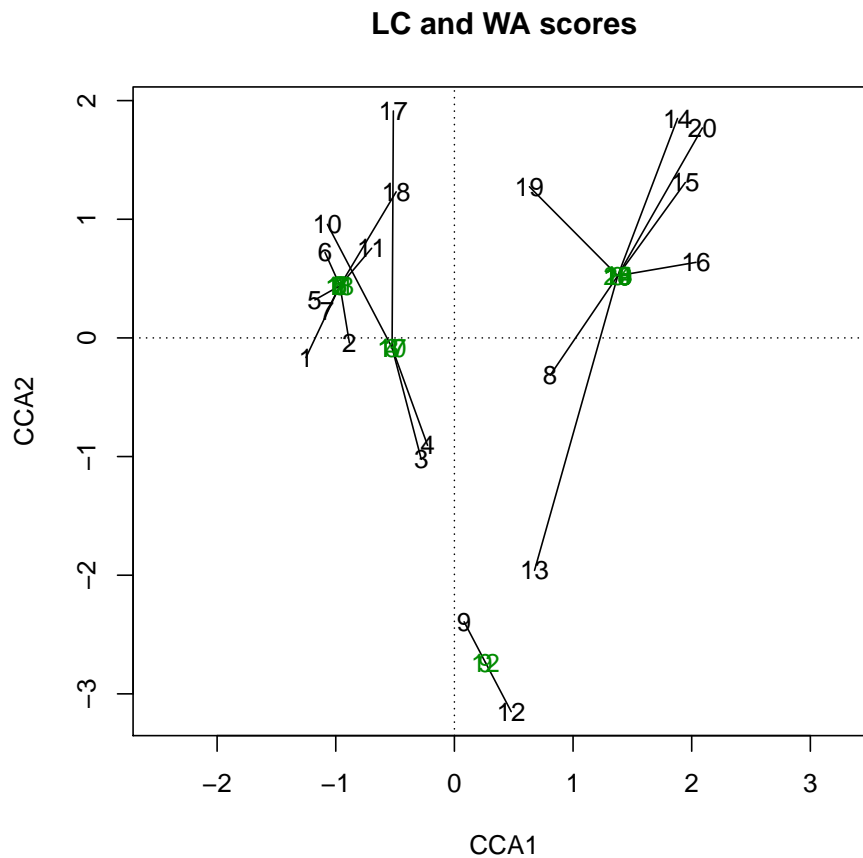
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### LC Scores



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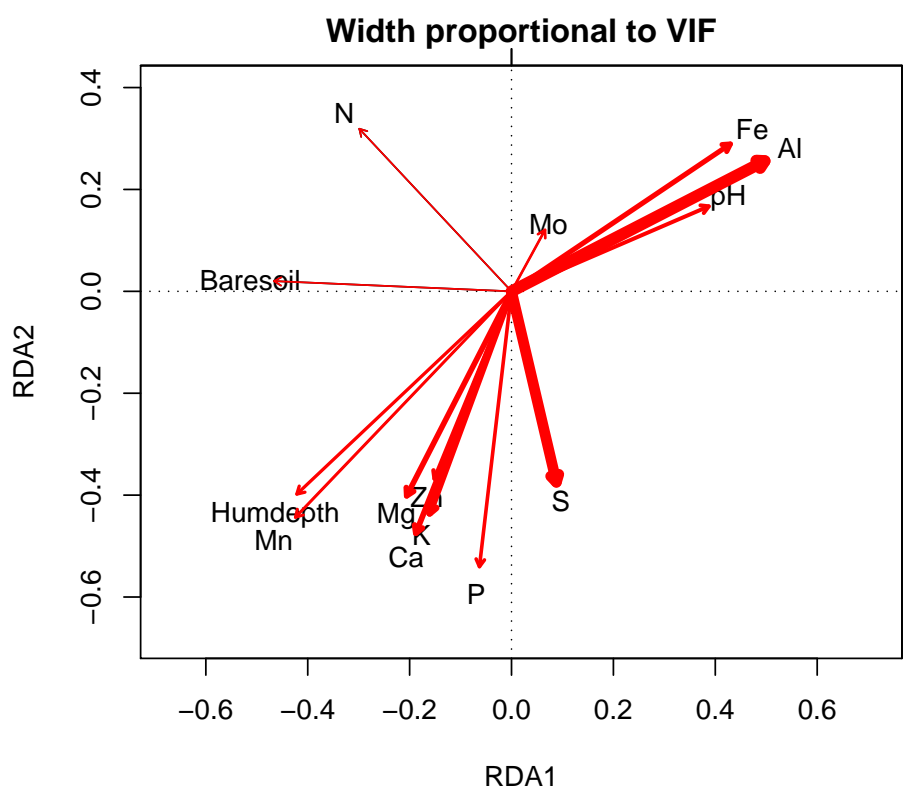
# Model Choice

- Often people chunk in all environmental variables they have – a patently bad idea
- Increasing the number of constraints means slacker constraint: analysis approaches unconstrained ordination and fitting environmental variables
- Does not allow hypothesis testing
- Many of the variables may be insignificant
- Multicollinearity between variables evident as *Variance Inflation Factor* (VIF)

```
> vif.cca(cca(varespec, varechem))
```

N	P	K	Ca	Mg	S	Al
1.98	6.03	12.01	9.93	9.81	18.38	21.19
Fe	Mn	Zn	Mo	Baresoil	Humdepth	pH
9.13	5.38	7.74	4.32	2.25	6.01	7.39

## Variance Inflation Factor



# Model Specification: Formula Interface I

```
> (vare.cca <- cca(varespec ~ A1 + P + K, varechem))
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0.362	0.170	0.113

Eigenvalues for unconstrained axes:

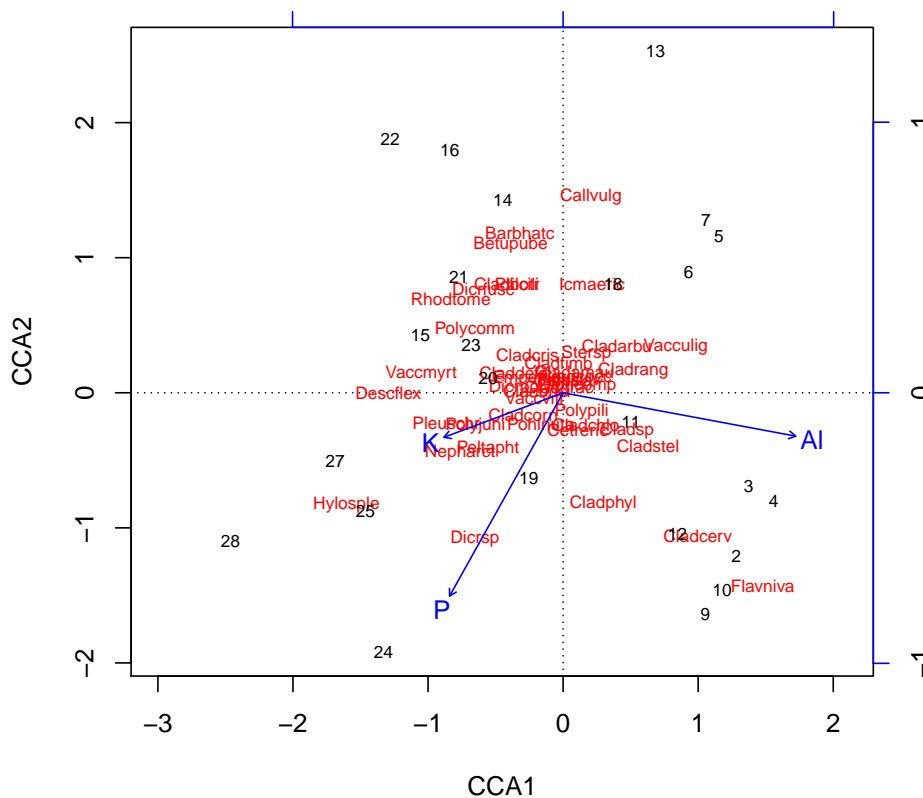
CA1	CA2	CA3	CA4	CA5	CA6	CA7	CA8
0.350	0.220	0.185	0.155	0.135	0.100	0.077	0.054

(Showed only 8 of all 20 unconstrained eigenvalues)

```
> vif.cca(vare.cca)
```

A1	P	K
1.01	2.37	2.38

## Plot





# Goodness of Model and its Costs

- Eigenvalue is the measure of goodness of fit
- Eigenvalue is maximized: even random constraints will have  $\lambda > 0$ , and eigenvalues will grow when you add constraints
- AIC: balance eigenvalue by a penalty for each used constraint
- AIC does not exist for constrained ordination: AIC is based on Likelihood of the fitted model, and ordination models do not have Likelihood
- Toy-AIC may sometimes work, and can be used in automated model building
- Permutation tests can be used to check the approximate validity of automated model building

## Shortcut to a Maximal Model I

```
> mod1 <- cca(varespec ~ ., varechem)
> mod1
```

```
Call: cca(formula = varespec ~ N + P + K + Ca + Mg + S
+ Al + Fe + Mn + Zn + Mo + Baresoil + Humdepth + pH,
data = varechem)
```

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# Stepping to a Good Model I

```
> mod0 <- cca(varespec ~ 1, varechem)
> mod <- step(mod0, scope = formula(mod1), test="perm", perm.max=100)
```

Start: AIC=130.31

varespec ~ 1

	Df	AIC	F	Pr(>F)	
+ Al	1	128.61	3.6749	0.005	**
+ Mn	1	128.95	3.3115	0.005	**
+ Humdepth	1	129.24	3.0072	0.005	**
+ Baresoil	1	129.77	2.4574	0.035	*
+ Fe	1	129.79	2.4360	0.020	*
+ P	1	130.03	2.1926	0.025	*
+ Zn	1	130.30	1.9278	0.060	.
<none>		130.31			
+ Mg	1	130.35	1.8749	0.045	*
+ K	1	130.37	1.8609	0.060	.
+ Ca	1	130.43	1.7959	0.070	.
+ pH	1	130.57	1.6560	0.115	
+ S	1	130.72	1.5114	0.135	
+ N	1	130.77	1.4644	0.135	
+ Mo	1	131.19	1.0561	0.400	

# Stepping to a Good Model II

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Signif. codes: 0 '\*\*\*' 0.001 '\*\*' 0.01 '\*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1

Step: AIC=128.61

varespec ~ Al

	Df	AIC	F	Pr(>F)	
+ P	1	127.91	2.5001	0.010	**
+ K	1	128.09	2.3240	0.015	*
+ S	1	128.26	2.1596	0.025	*
+ Zn	1	128.44	1.9851	0.030	*
+ Mn	1	128.53	1.8945	0.025	*
<none>		128.61			
+ Mg	1	128.70	1.7379	0.055	.
+ N	1	128.85	1.5900	0.095	.
+ Baresoil	1	128.88	1.5670	0.135	
+ Ca	1	129.04	1.4180	0.160	
+ Humdepth	1	129.08	1.3814	0.210	
+ Mo	1	129.50	0.9884	0.465	
+ pH	1	129.63	0.8753	0.575	
+ Fe	1	130.02	0.5222	0.860	
- Al	1	130.31	3.6749	0.005	**



# Stepping to a Good Model III

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Signif. codes: 0 '\*\*\*' 0.001 '\*\*' 0.01 '\*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1

Step: AIC=127.91

varespec ~ Al + P

	Df	AIC	F	Pr(>F)	
+ K	1	127.44	2.1688	0.040	*
<none>		127.91			
+ Baresoil	1	127.99	1.6606	0.090	.
+ N	1	128.11	1.5543	0.140	
+ S	1	128.36	1.3351	0.225	
+ Mn	1	128.44	1.2641	0.235	
+ Zn	1	128.51	1.2002	0.330	
+ Humdepth	1	128.56	1.1536	0.360	
- P	1	128.61	2.5001	0.015	*
+ Mo	1	128.75	0.9837	0.450	
+ Mg	1	128.79	0.9555	0.465	
+ pH	1	128.82	0.9247	0.460	
+ Fe	1	129.28	0.5253	0.875	
+ Ca	1	129.36	0.4648	0.910	
- Al	1	130.03	3.9401	0.005	**

# Stepping to a Good Model IV

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Signif. codes: 0 '\*\*\*' 0.001 '\*\*' 0.01 '\*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1

Step: AIC=127.44

varespec ~ Al + P + K

	Df	AIC	F	Pr(>F)	
<none>		127.44			
+ N	1	127.59	1.5148	0.135	
+ Baresoil	1	127.67	1.4544	0.145	
+ Zn	1	127.84	1.3067	0.185	
+ S	1	127.89	1.2604	0.265	
- K	1	127.91	2.1688	0.005	**
+ Mo	1	127.92	1.2350	0.225	
- P	1	128.09	2.3362	0.010	**
+ Mg	1	128.17	1.0300	0.385	
+ Mn	1	128.34	0.8879	0.490	
+ Humdepth	1	128.44	0.8056	0.660	
+ Fe	1	128.79	0.5215	0.830	
+ pH	1	128.81	0.5067	0.880	
+ Ca	1	128.89	0.4358	0.895	
- Al	1	130.14	4.3340	0.005	**

# Stepping to a Good Model V

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```

```
Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
```

```
> mod
```

```
Call: cca(formula = varespec ~ A1 + P + K, data =
varechem)
```

```

              Inertia Proportion Rank
Total          2.0832      1.0000
Constrained    0.6441      0.3092    3
Unconstrained  1.4391      0.6908   20
Inertia is mean squared contingency coefficient
```

```
Eigenvalues for constrained axes:
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```
CCA1  CCA2  CCA3
0.3616 0.1700 0.1126
```

```
Eigenvalues for unconstrained axes:
```

```
CA1  CA2  CA3  CA4  CA5  CA6  CA7  CA8
0.3500 0.2201 0.1851 0.1551 0.1351 0.1003 0.0773 0.0537
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```

## Other Methods of Model Choice

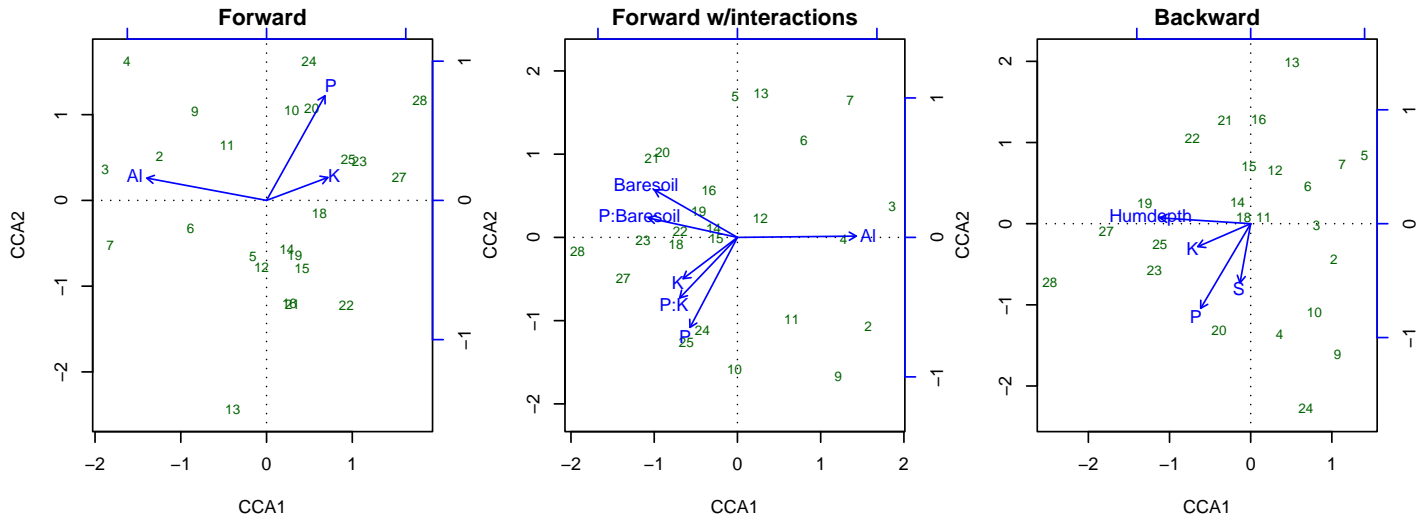
- Selection of terms by permutation tests (ordistep)
  - Ties broken by pseudo-AIC
  - Inclusion limit defaults  $P = 0.05$  and exclusion limit  $P = 0.1$
- Select terms to maximize adjusted  $R^2_{\text{adj}}$  (ordiR2step)
  - adjusted  $R^2$  is penalized by the number of constraints  $p$  and can decrease when terms are added

$$R^2_{\text{adj}} = 1 - (1 - R^2) \frac{n - 1}{n - p - 1}$$

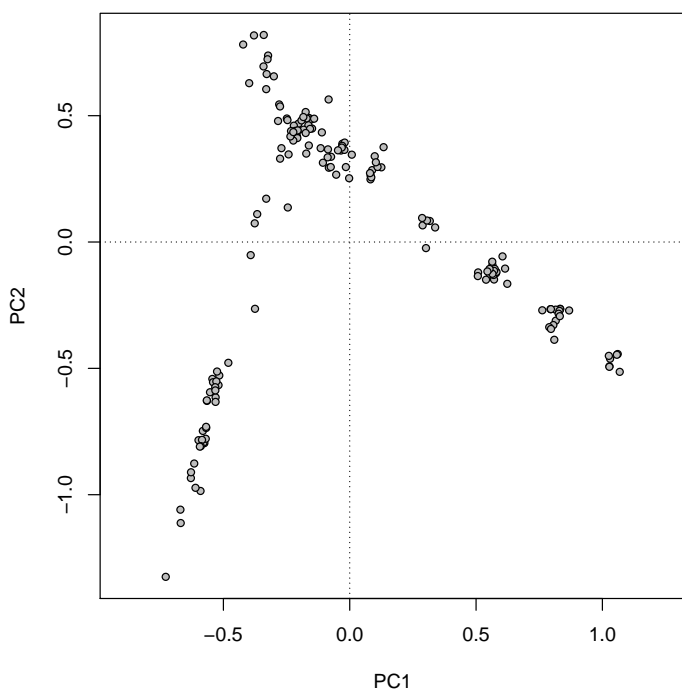
- The expected value  $R^2_{\text{adj}} = 0$  in random data, but the expected value for unadjusted  $R^2 > 0$
- Adjusted  $R^2$  is only available for Euclidean methods (RDA, db-RDA), but not for CCA
- Other stopping criteria:  $R^2_{\text{adj}}$  exceeds that of the full model, or terms are deemed insignificant by permutation tests

# Stepping is Dangerous

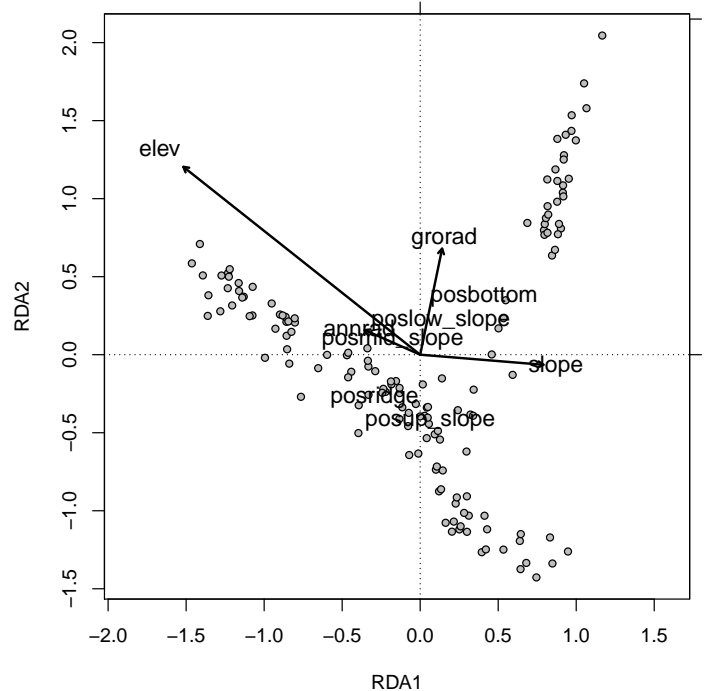
Automatic model selection may give different results depending on stepping direction, scope or small changes in the data set



# Ordination Wants to be Free!

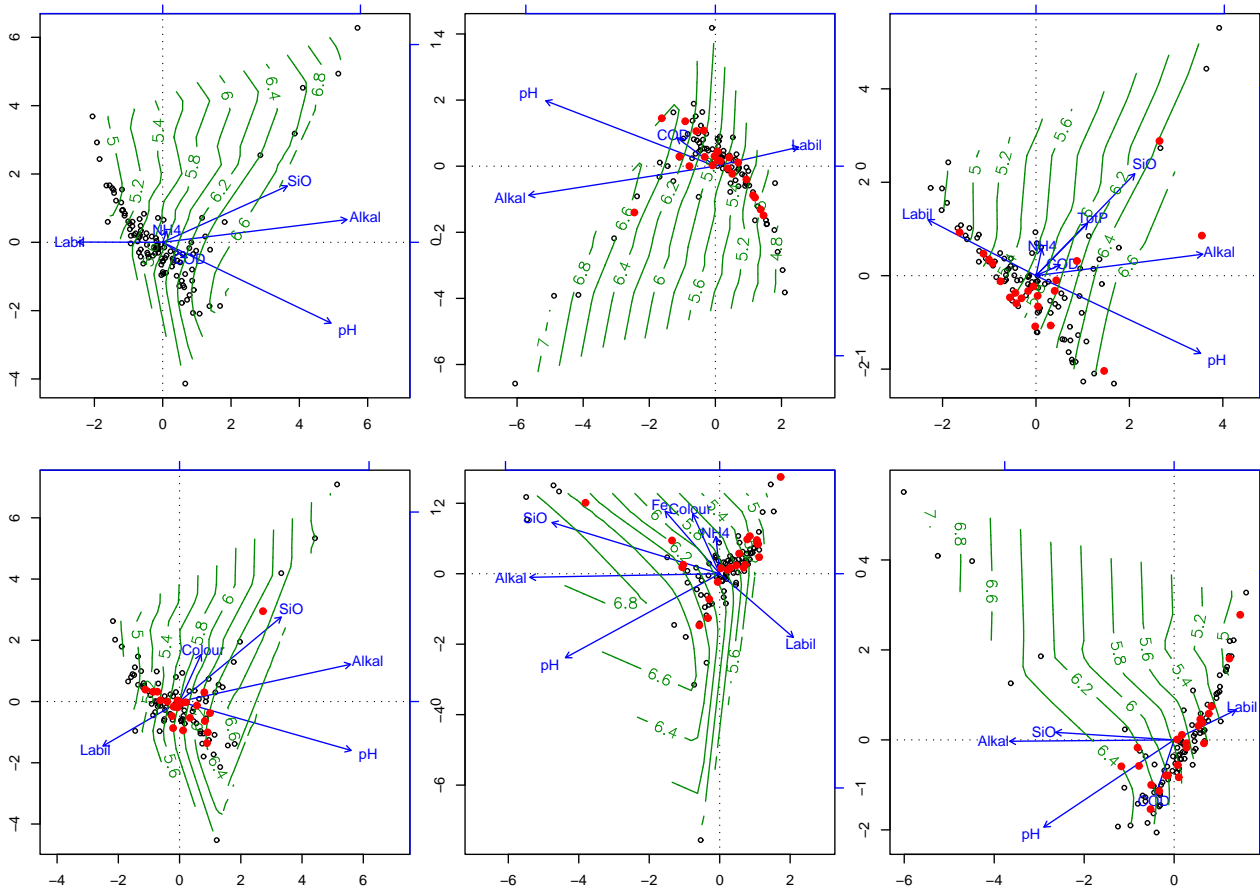


Unconstrained ordination (Bryce Canyon)



Automatic model building: the return of the curve

# 5-fold Cross-validation and stepping



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# Permutation Test

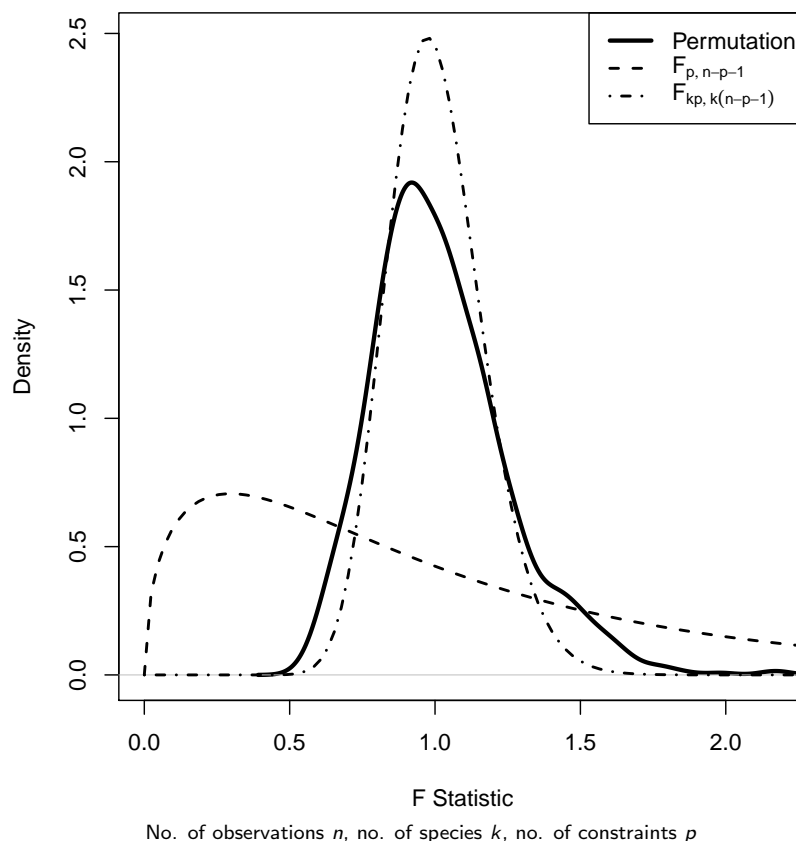
- The significance of constraints cannot be directly evaluated, but we can use permutation tests
- Shuffle community data into random order and refit the model: gives goodness of fit of a random model
- If observed goodness of fit is better than (most) random models, then the constraints are significant
- The observed goodness could be just one of the random values, and it is put together with permutations: for nice divisor of 1000 we generate 999 permutations and divide with  $999 + 1$
- The criterion of the goodness of fit is pseudo- $F$ :

$$F = \frac{\Lambda_c/p}{\Lambda_r/(n-p-1)},$$

where  $\Lambda_c$  and  $\Lambda_r$  are constrained and residual inertia (and total inertia  $\Lambda = \Lambda_c + \Lambda_r$ ),  $p$  is the rank of constraints, and  $n$  is the number of observations

- Definition similar to  $F$ -statistic in ANOVA, but does not follow its distribution (except for single variable in RDA)

## Distribution of the Statistic



# Overall Test

```
> anova(mod)
```

```
Permutation test for cca under reduced model
```

```
Permutation: free
```

```
Number of permutations: 999
```

```
Model: cca(formula = varespec ~ A1 + P + K, data = varechem)
```

	Df	ChiSquare	F	Pr(>F)	
Model	3	0.644	2.98	0.001	***
Residual	20	1.439			

```
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```

```
Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
```

## ANOVA by Terms

```
> anova(mod, by="terms")
```

```
Permutation test for cca under reduced model
```

```
Terms added sequentially (first to last)
```

```
Permutation: free
```

```
Number of permutations: 999
```

```
Model: cca(formula = varespec ~ A1 + P + K, data = varechem)
```

	Df	ChiSquare	F	Pr(>F)	
A1	1	0.298	4.14	0.001	***
P	1	0.190	2.64	0.008	**
K	1	0.156	2.17	0.017	*
Residual	20	1.439			

```
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```

```
Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
```

# ANOVA by Margins

## Type III Sums of Squares

```
> anova(mod, by="mar")
```

Permutation test for cca under reduced model

Marginal effects of terms

Permutation: free

Number of permutations: 999

Model: cca(formula = varesec ~ A1 + P + K, data = varechem)

	Df	ChiSquare	F	Pr(>F)	
A1	1	0.312	4.33	0.001	***
P	1	0.168	2.34	0.019	*
K	1	0.156	2.17	0.027	*
Residual	20	1.439			

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Signif. codes: 0 '\*\*\*' 0.001 '\*\*' 0.01 '\*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1

# ANOVA by Axis

```
> anova(vare.cca, by="axis", perm=1000)
```

Permutation test for cca under reduced model

Marginal tests for axes

Permutation: free

Number of permutations: 999

Model: cca(formula = dune ~ Moisture, data = dune.env)

	Df	ChiSquare	F	Pr(>F)	
CCA1	1	0.419	4.51	0.001	***
CCA2	1	0.133	1.43	0.119	
CCA3	1	0.077	0.82	0.602	
Residual	16	1.487			

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# Outline

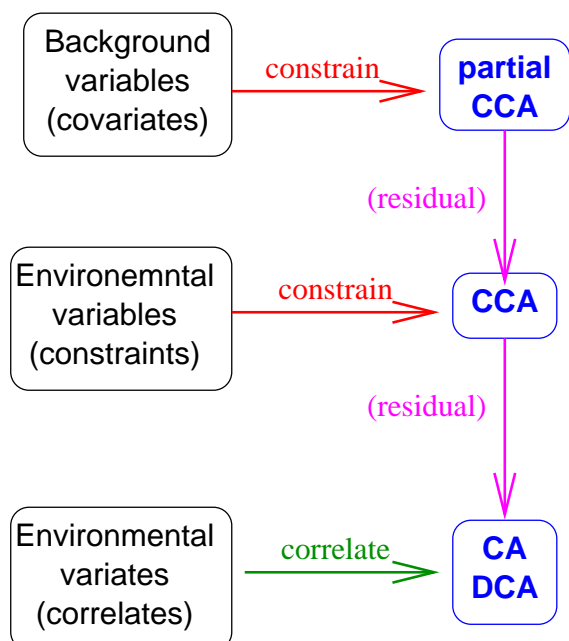
## 1 Constrained Ordination

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- Partial Analysis

## 2 Analysis of Dissimilarities

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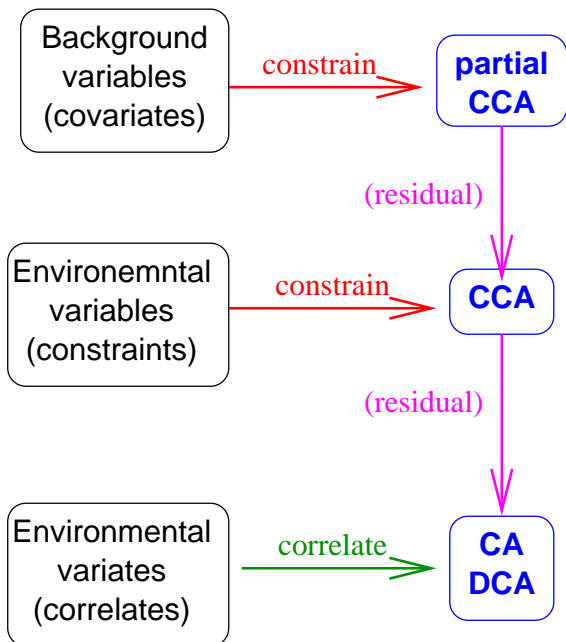
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- Residual ordinations: Partitioning of variation.
- Constraints are linear: Non-orthogonal environmental variables may give 'negative components of variation'
- Information of lower levels mixed with upper.

## Why Partial Ordination?

- Remove the effect of background (or "random") variables before analysing the effect of interesting variables
- Allows analysis of experimental design (constraints) with confounding variables (conditions)
- Allows split-plot and other hierarchical designs
- Decomposition of variation due to different sources, like spatial and environmental components

# Treatment with Confounding Natural Variation I

```
> (ord <- rda(dune ~ Management + Condition(A1 + Moisture), dune.env))
```

```
Call: rda(formula = dune ~ Management + Condition(A1 +
Moisture), data = dune.env)
```

	Inertia	Proportion	Rank
Total	84.124	1.000	
Conditional	29.765	0.354	4
Constrained	19.115	0.227	3
Unconstrained	35.244	0.419	12

Inertia is variance

Eigenvalues for constrained axes:

RDA1	RDA2	RDA3
11.26	4.88	2.97

Eigenvalues for unconstrained axes:

PC1	PC2	PC3	PC4	PC5	PC6	PC7	PC8	PC9	PC10	PC11	PC12
8.21	7.14	4.61	4.03	3.02	2.66	1.87	1.50	0.91	0.64	0.39	0.27

```
> anova(ord)
```

# Treatment with Confounding Natural Variation II

Permutation test for rda under reduced model

Permutation: free

Number of permutations: 999

```
Model: rda(formula = dune ~ Management + Condition(A1 + Moisture), data = dune.env)
```

	Df	Variance	F	Pr(>F)
Model	3	19.1	2.17	0.004 **
Residual	12	35.2		

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# What Actually is Permuted in Tests?

- **Direct Model:** Always permutes community data
- **Reduced Model:** Permutes community data in non-partial models, and residuals after conditions in partial model
- When residuals are permuted in reduced model, the permuted residuals are added to the unpermuted fitted values
- Theory assume that residuals are *exchangeable*, and hypothesis of randomness concern residuals
- Assumes *independent and identically distributed* residuals: these can be added to fitted values

## Components of Variation

- There can be several groups of source of variation, and we may be interested in quantifying these components
- Typical example: decomposition of variation into pure spatial, pure environmental and spatially structured environmental variation
- We expect that usual  $R^2 > 0$ , because the goodness of fit is maximized, but adjusted  $R^2$  takes into account the number of constraints and has expectation 0 with random constraints
- Spatial structure can be described by Principal Components of Neighbourhood Matrix (PCNM)

# Example: Spatial and Environmental Variation I

```
> (mod <- varpart(mite, mite.pcnm, ~. , data=mite.env, transfo="hellinger"))
```

Partition of variance in RDA

```
Call: varpart(Y = mite, X = mite.pcnm, ~., data =
mite.env, transfo = "hellinger")
```

```
Species transformation: hellinger
```

```
Explanatory tables:
```

```
X1: mite.pcnm
```

```
X2: ~.
```

```
No. of explanatory tables: 2
```

```
Total variation (SS): 27.205
```

```
Variance: 0.39428
```

```
No. of observations: 70
```

Partition table:

	Df	R.squared	Adj.R.squared	Testable
[a+b] = X1	22	0.62300	0.44653	TRUE
[b+c] = X2	11	0.52650	0.43670	TRUE
[a+b+c] = X1+X2	33	0.75893	0.53794	TRUE

Individual fractions

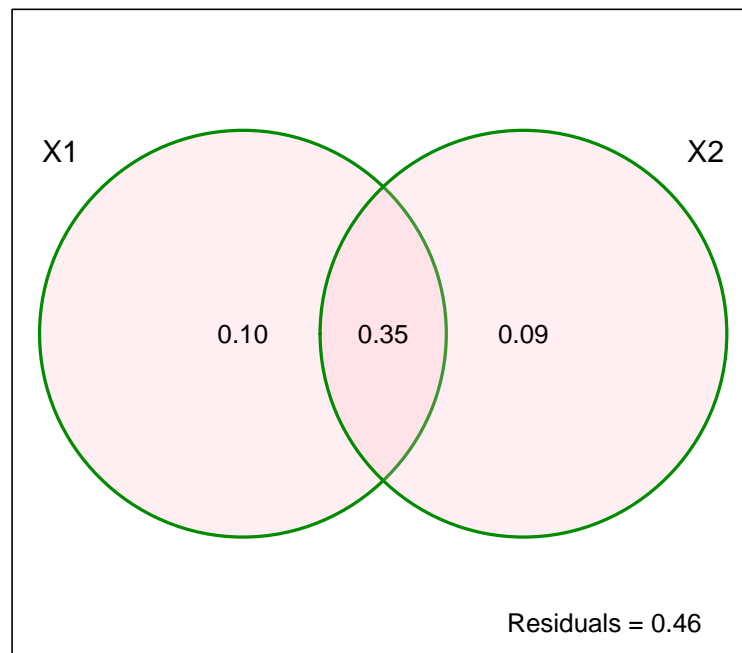
# Example: Spatial and Environmental Variation II

[a] = X1 X2	22	0.10124	TRUE
[b]	0	0.34530	FALSE
[c] = X2 X1	11	0.09141	TRUE
[d] = Residuals		0.46206	FALSE

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Use function 'rda' to test significance of fractions of interest

# Components of Variance



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# Direct Analysis of Dissimilarities

- Analyse dissimilarities instead of mapping them into reduced number of dimensions of ordination
- Distance-based Redundancy Analysis (`capscale` in `vegan`) can perform the reduction
- Want to have non-Euclidean metric?
- Want to study the effect of geographic (spatial) distance?
- Do you have huge number of variables, but a modest number of observations (like in genetic data)

## Distance-based RDA I

```
> pcnmmat <- as.matrix(mite.pcnm)
> (ord <- capscale(vegdist(mite) ~ . + pcnmmat, mite.env))
```

```
Call: capscale(formula = vegdist(mite) ~ SubsDens +
  WatrCont + Substrate + Shrub + Topo + pcnmmat, data =
  mite.env)
```

	Inertia	Proportion	Eigenvals	Rank
Total	14.696	1.000	16.742	
Constrained	10.968	0.746	11.902	33
Unconstrained	3.728	0.254	4.840	36
Imaginary			-2.046	32

Inertia is squared Bray distance

Eigenvalues for constrained axes:

CAP1	CAP2	CAP3	CAP4	CAP5	CAP6	CAP7	CAP8	CAP9	CAP10
5.24	1.46	1.12	0.75	0.56	0.44	0.36	0.26	0.25	0.23
CAP11	CAP12	CAP13	CAP14	CAP15	CAP16	CAP17	CAP18	CAP19	CAP20
0.19	0.18	0.14	0.12	0.10	0.09	0.07	0.07	0.05	0.05
CAP21	CAP22	CAP23	CAP24	CAP25	CAP26	CAP27	CAP28	CAP29	CAP30
0.04	0.03	0.03	0.02	0.02	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.00
CAP31	CAP32	CAP33							

## Distance-based RDA II

```
0.00 0.00 0.00
```

Eigenvalues for unconstrained axes:

```
MDS1 MDS2 MDS3 MDS4 MDS5 MDS6 MDS7 MDS8
1.063 0.597 0.372 0.354 0.327 0.290 0.275 0.202
(Shown only 8 of all 36 unconstrained eigenvalues)
```

```
> anova(ord, by="margin", perm.max=1000)
```

Permutation test for capscale under reduced model

Marginal effects of terms

Permutation: free

Number of permutations: 999

Model: capscale(formula = vegdist(mite) ~ SubsDens + WatrCont + Substrate + Shrub + Topo +

	Df	SumOfSqs	F	Pr(>F)
SubsDens	1	0.10	1.00	0.401
WatrCont	1	0.27	2.59	0.032 *
Substrate	6	0.94	1.52	0.052 .
Shrub	2	0.08	0.40	0.968
Topo	1	0.16	1.58	0.142
pcnmmat	22	3.54	1.56	0.003 **
Residual	36	3.73		

## Distance-based RDA III

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# Mantel and Partial Mantel Tests

- Mantel correlation (a.k.a. matrix correlation) is the correlation between two sets of dissimilarities or distances
- $n(n - 1)/2$  dissimilarities for  $n$  independent observations: ordinary statistical tests do not apply
- Significance can be assessed by permutations
- Partial Mantel test: use three sets of dissimilarities and partial correlations conditioning relationship between two sets by the third one
- Analogous to conditioned db-RDA: partial out variation by background distances
- Residuals of distances are not equivalent to residuals of raw data: decomposition of variation dubious

## Example: Community Structure and Environment

```
> library(cluster)
> envdis <- daisy(mite.env)
> mantel(vegdist(mite), envdis)
```

Mantel statistic based on Pearson's product-moment correlation

Call:

```
mantel(xdis = vegdist(mite), ydis = envdis)
```

Mantel statistic r: 0.422

Significance: 0.001

Upper quantiles of permutations (null model):

90%	95%	97.5%	99%
0.0417	0.0528	0.0624	0.0762

Permutation: free

Number of permutations: 999



# Controlling for Spatial Distance

```
> mantel.partial(vegdist(mite), envdis, dist(mite.xy))
```

Partial Mantel statistic based on Pearson's product-moment correlation

Call:

```
mantel.partial(xdis = vegdist(mite), ydis = envdis, zdis = dist(mite.xy))
```

Mantel statistic  $r$ : 0.292

Significance: 0.001

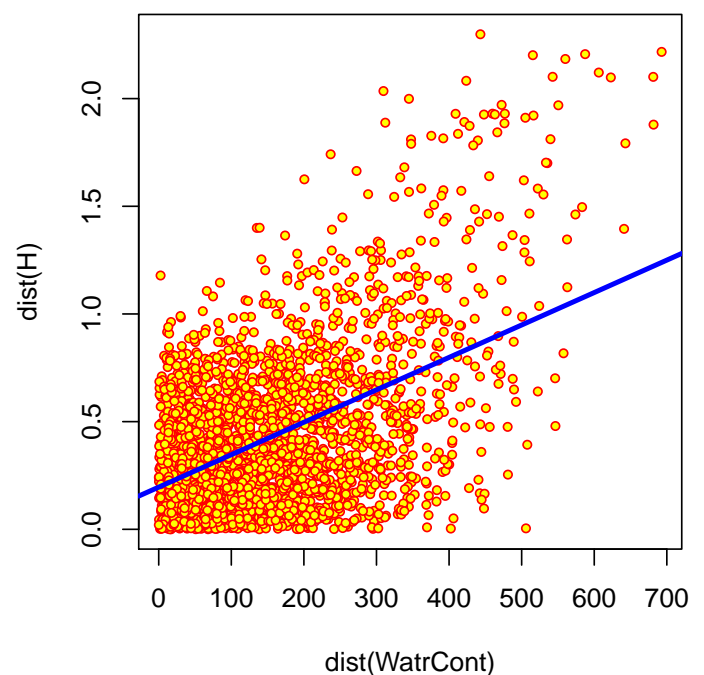
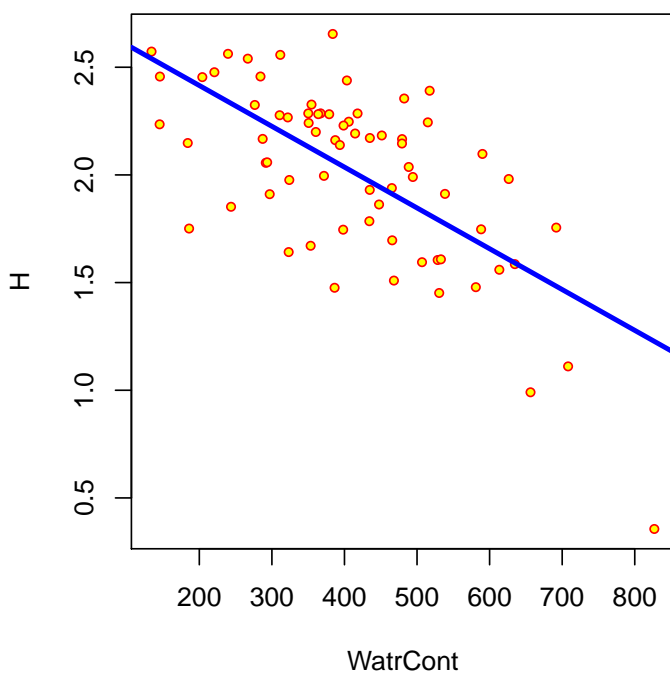
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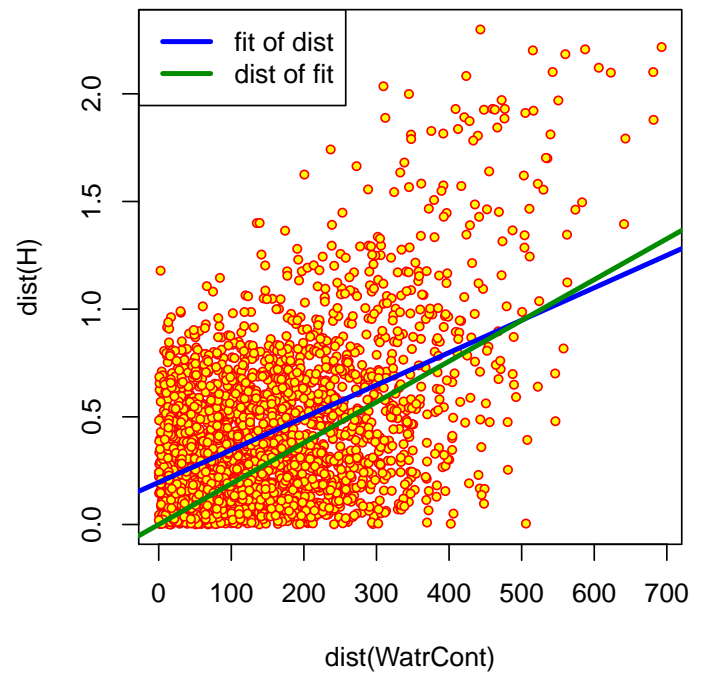
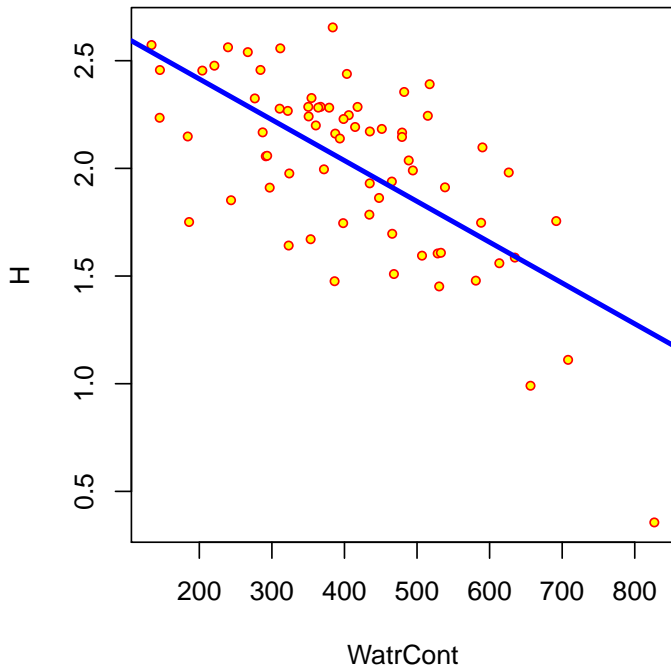
Permutation: free

Number of permutations: 999

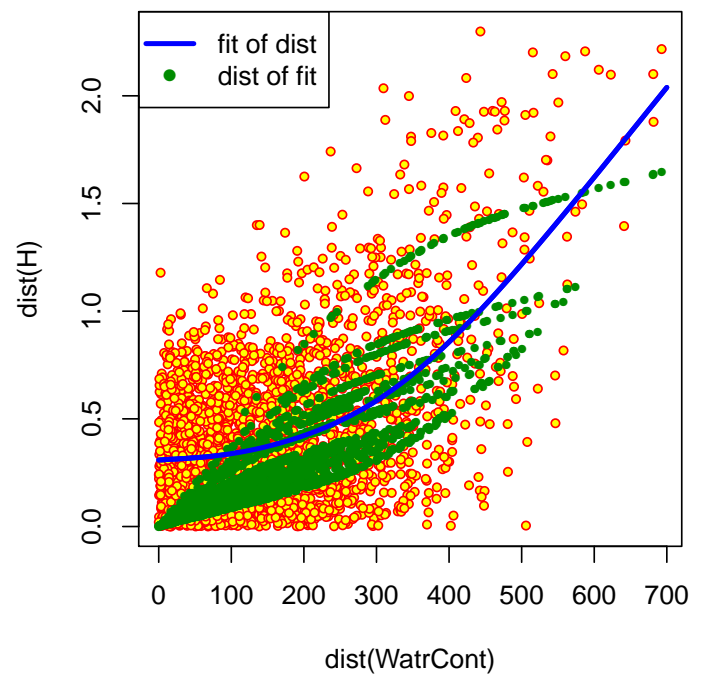
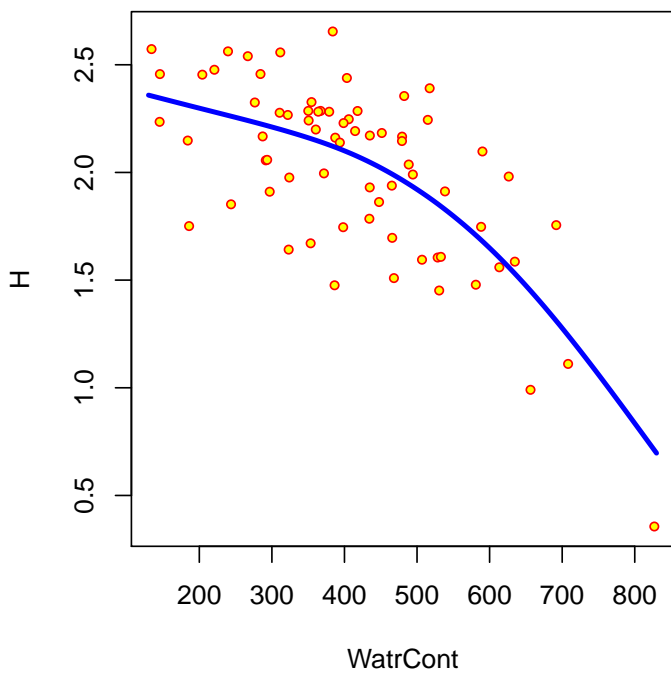
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# Linear Analysis of Dissimilarities

- Function `adonis` in `vegan`
- Permutational MANOVA or non-parametric MANOVA
- Uses “outer products” in MANOVA instead of usual “inner products”: dissimilarities among points instead of distances of variables to their centroids
- Does not use raw distances, but transforms them to principal coordinates for a “direct analysis”: usually more powerful than Mantel style
- Practical if the number of variables is huge: related to AMOVA of gene expression data
- With Euclidean distances equal to MANOVA, but uses permutation tests
- Can be used with any adequate dissimilarity measure
- Test sequential: order of variables does matter

## Example: Environment after Spatial Variation

```
> adonis(vegdist(mite) ~ pcnmmat + ., mite.env, perm=500)
```

Call:

```
adonis(formula = vegdist(mite) ~ pcnmmat + ., data = mite.env, permutations = 500)
```

Permutation: free

Number of permutations: 500

Terms added sequentially (first to last)

	Df	SumsOfSqs	MeanSqs	F.Model	R2	Pr(>F)	
pcnmmat	22	8.84	0.402	3.88	0.601	0.002	**
SubsDens	1	0.41	0.410	3.96	0.028	0.008	**
WatrCont	1	0.32	0.324	3.13	0.022	0.014	*
Substrate	6	1.07	0.179	1.73	0.073	0.018	*
Shrub	2	0.16	0.080	0.77	0.011	0.663	
Topo	1	0.16	0.164	1.58	0.011	0.138	
Residuals	36	3.73	0.104		0.254		
Total	69	14.70			1.000		

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# Other Dissimilarity-based Methods

- MRPP (Multi-Response Permutation Procedure) and ANOSIM (Analysis of Dissimilarities) compare differences among groups
  - Both are sensitive to differences in the dispersions within groups: **not recommended**
- Multivariate analysis of homogeneity (betadisper in vegan)
  - With Euclidean distances equal to Levene's test on the homogeneity of variances
  - Also works exactly on non-Euclidean dissimilarities
  - Can be used to study beta diversity within groups
  - Either parametric ANOVA or permutation tests available
  - Pairwise *post hoc* comparison available (Tukey)
  - PERMDISP2 by another name